

$t\bar{t}$ generation at FCCee

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- Preparation of physics case studies (for Snowmass and beyond).
- Couple of presentations at Snowmass WG EF03 ([link](#)), and EF04 ([link](#)).
- [Top@FCCee](#) : growing community (collaboration with Copenhagen), but still critically lacking contributors.
- Environment that facilitates inclusion of new contributors :
 - Generation, analysis framework, object selection, events reconstructions etc.
 - Providing required tools for new comers.
- Past few months, [focused on events generation](#), but other topics above can (and should) progress in parallel.
- In this presentation, some [MC generators tested and compared](#). No final recipe !

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Top quark physics at FCC-ee

Thematic Areas:

- (EF03) EW Physics: Heavy flavor and top quark physics
- (EF04) EW Physics: EW Precision Physics and constraining new physics

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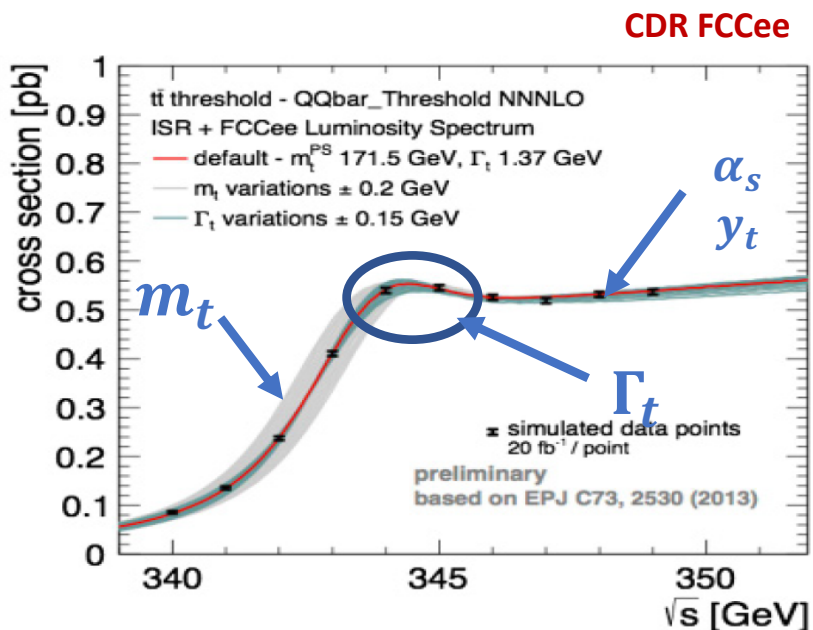
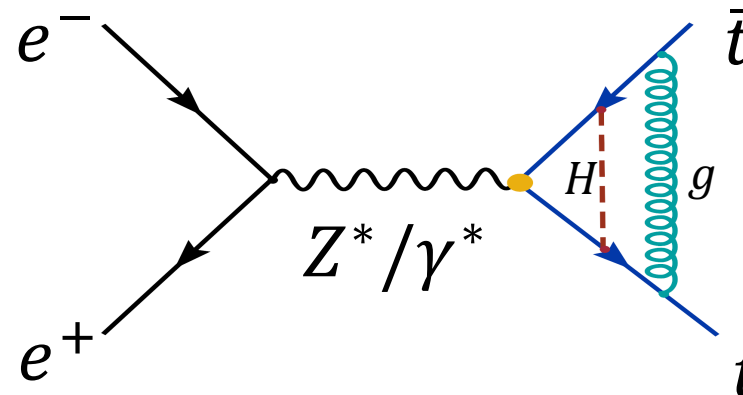
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- Physics program at lepton colliders \Leftrightarrow precision !

- Low background,
- excellent knowledge of the initial state,
- detectors with very high precision.

- $t\bar{t}$ (differential) cross sections sensitive to :

- top quark mass m_t , top quark width Γ_t ,
- Couplings to Z ($t\bar{t}Z$) and ($t\bar{t}\gamma$) couplings Higgs ($t\bar{t}H$), y_t
- On α and α_s .



- Top quark physics at $t\bar{t}$ threshold (\sqrt{s} scan) :

- measurements of mass and width, from event yields,
- precision depends on the prediction of the theoretical function,
- event yields \Rightarrow acceptance corrections depend on MC generator.

- Top quark physics above $t\bar{t}$ threshold.

- measurements of y_t , top EWK couplings and searches for new physics,
- signal modelling relies on MC simulation.

- Precise signal modelling is one of the keys to precision.

- what is the effect of \sqrt{s} on $t\bar{t}$ kinematics at threshold ?
- cross section enhancement \Rightarrow impact on kinematics ?
- generator systematics, dominate in several top analyses.

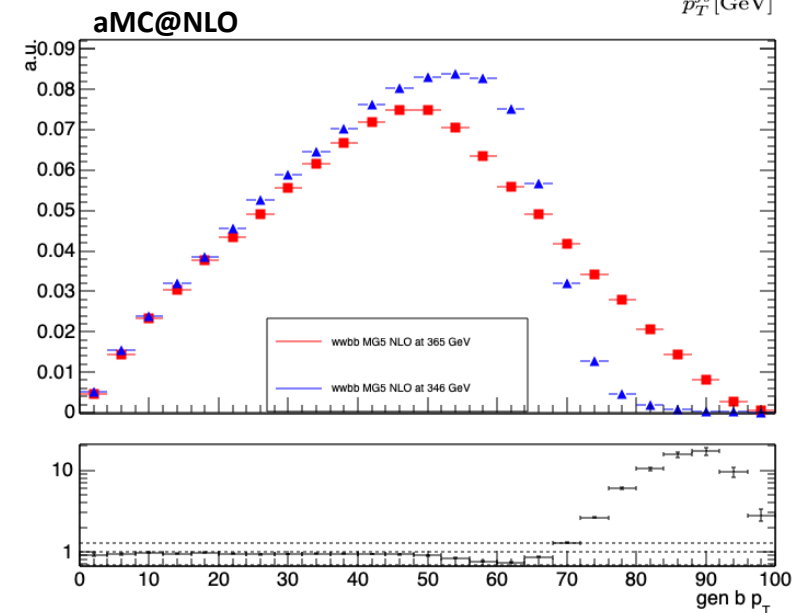
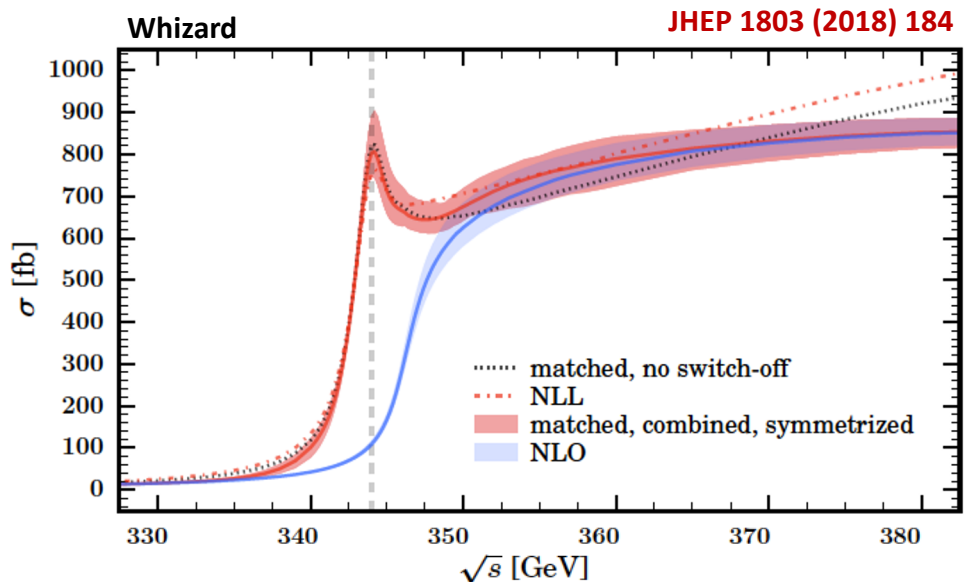
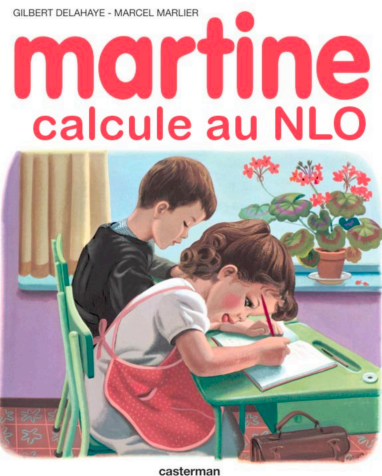
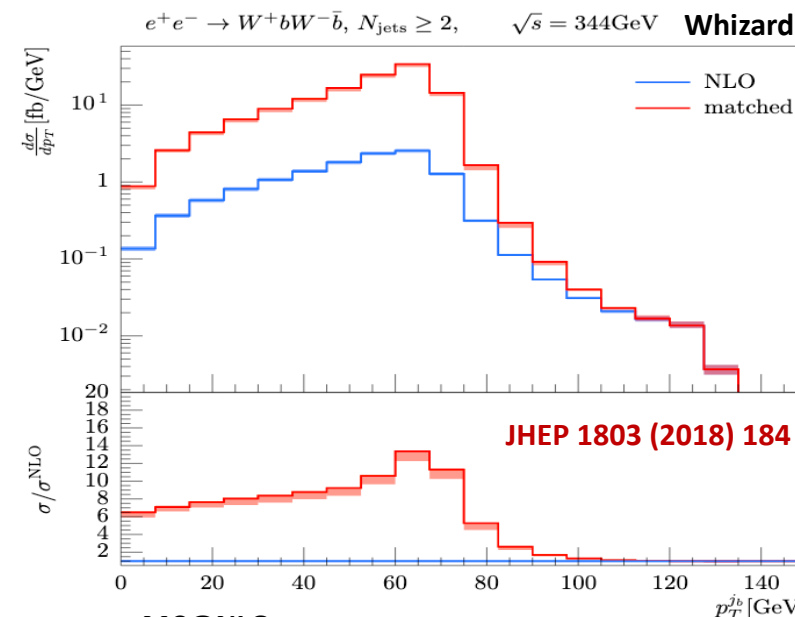


- “State-of-the-art” generator shopping list

- maximum possible accuracy : NLO QCD+QED,
- NLL+NLO matching ? Differential cross sections at threshold, effects of \sqrt{s} on kinematics?
- accounts for beam effects (discussed later),
- at least 2 generators to perform comparisons,
- two generators investigated here : [Whizard](#) and [aMC@NLO](#).

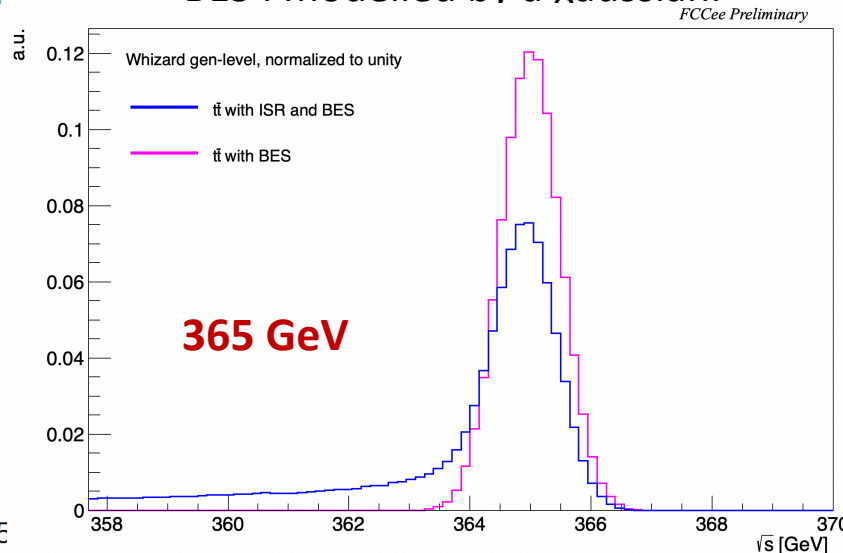
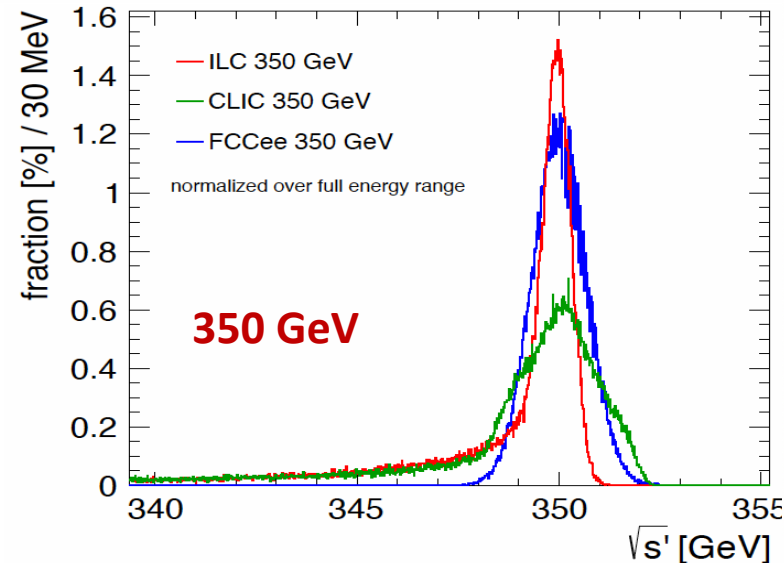
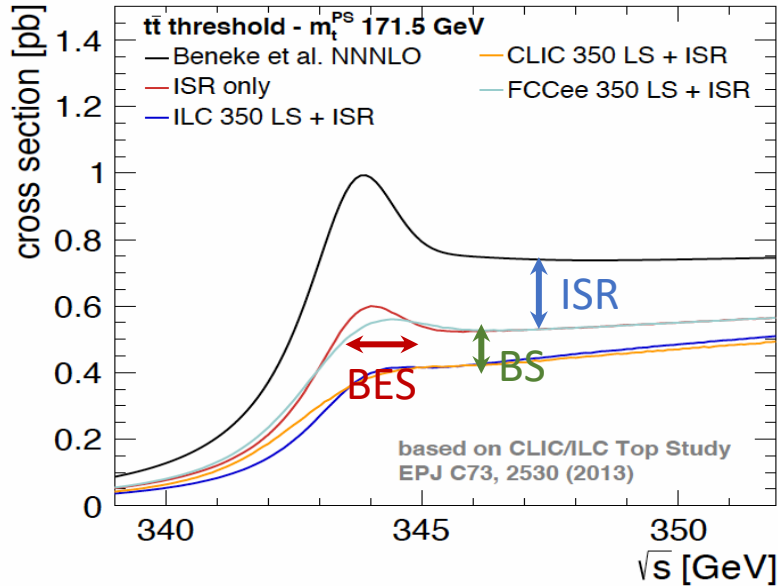
- Both generators cover most of the required features (in a not-yet public release for aMC@NLO [link](#)) :

- NLO accuracy, **Whizard** : QCD , **MadGraph** :QCD (QED under developments),
- Initial State Radiation (ISR), **both**,
- Beamstrahlung : **Whizard** : interface with GuineaPig/CIRCE. **MadGraph** : parametrization fitted to GuineaPig++.
- Beam Energy Spread : **Whizard** : Gaussian smearing in case of FCCee, **Madgraph** : not available yet.

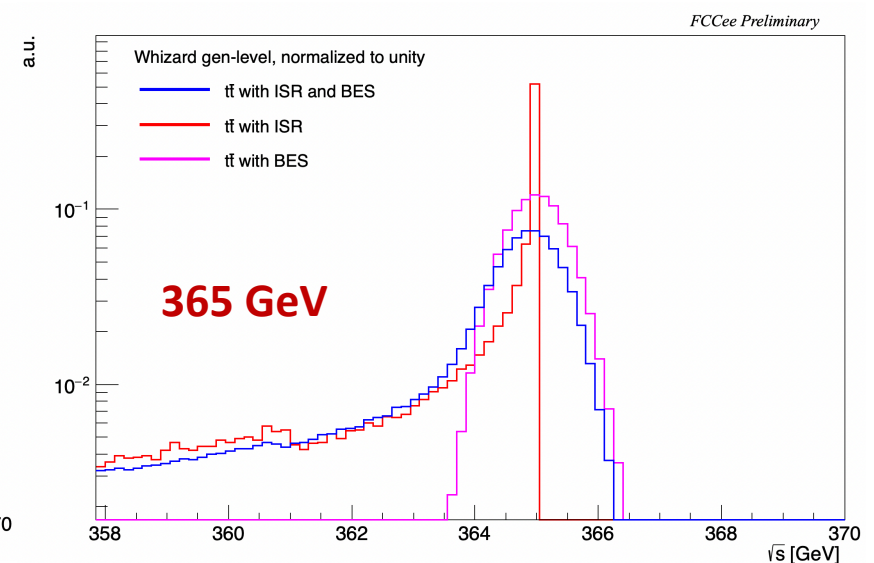


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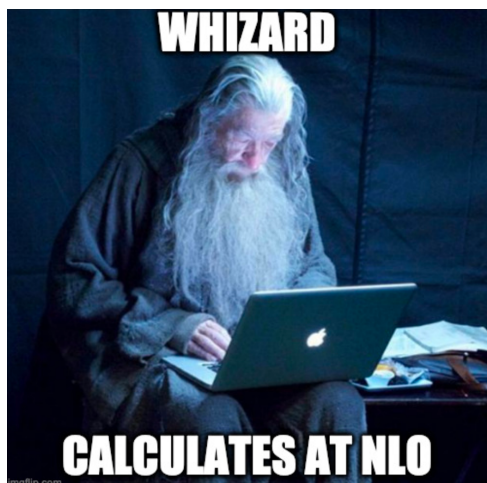
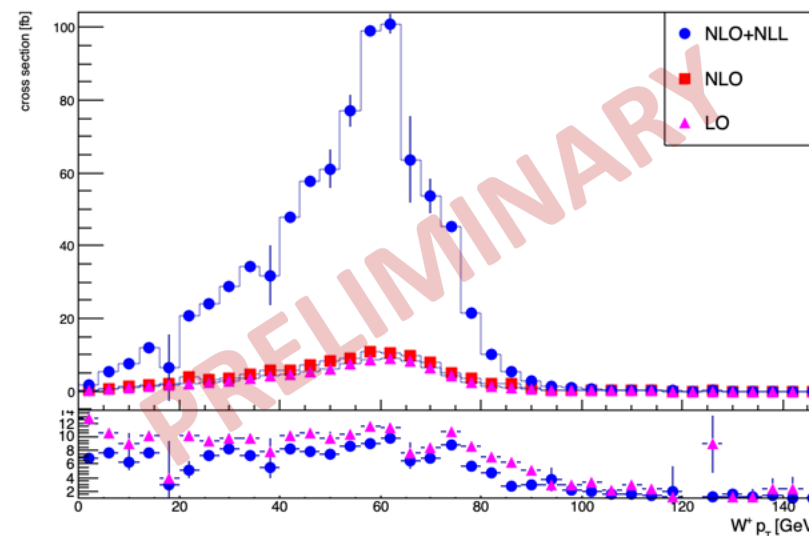
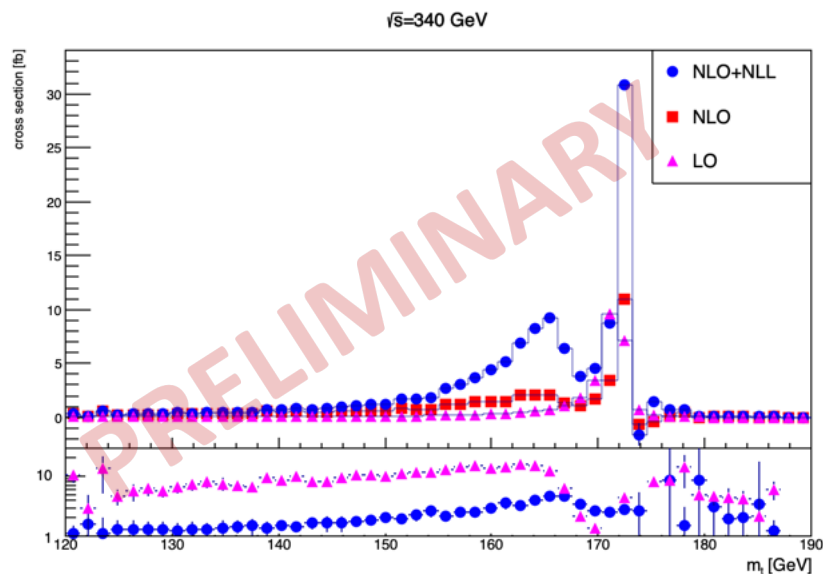
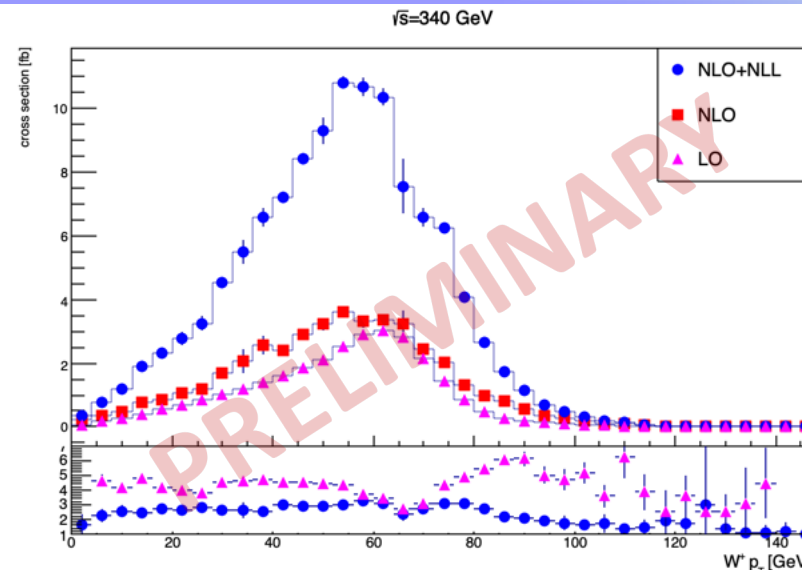
- **ISR and beam effects on the threshold measurement :**
 - ISR and Beam Backgrounds : reduce the energy in the e^+e^- centre of mass => tails toward lower energies.
 - Beam Energy Spread (BES) : enlarges the \sqrt{s} distribution. BES $\sim 0.19\%$ per beam.
- **At FCCee BES :** \sqrt{s} distribution symmetric and gaussian with very good approximation.
- **Whizard :**
 - ISR implemented. Possible overlap with PS (pythia) to be understood.
 - BES : modelled by a gaussian.

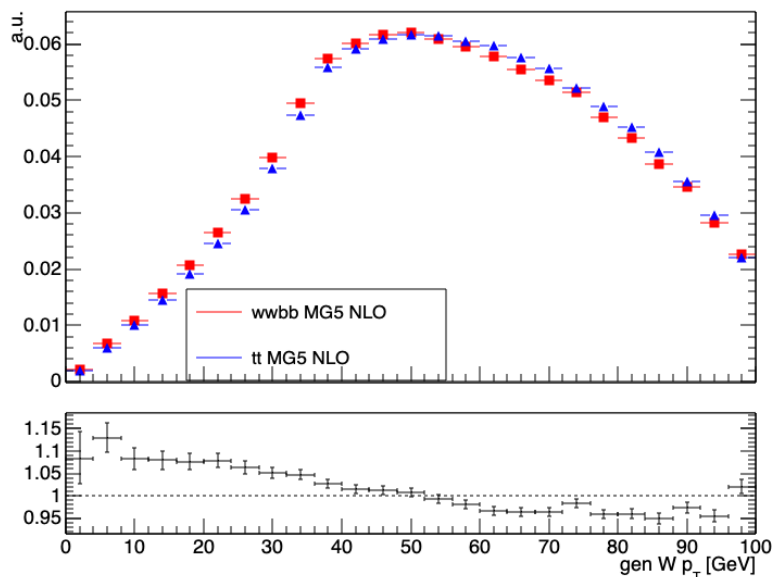
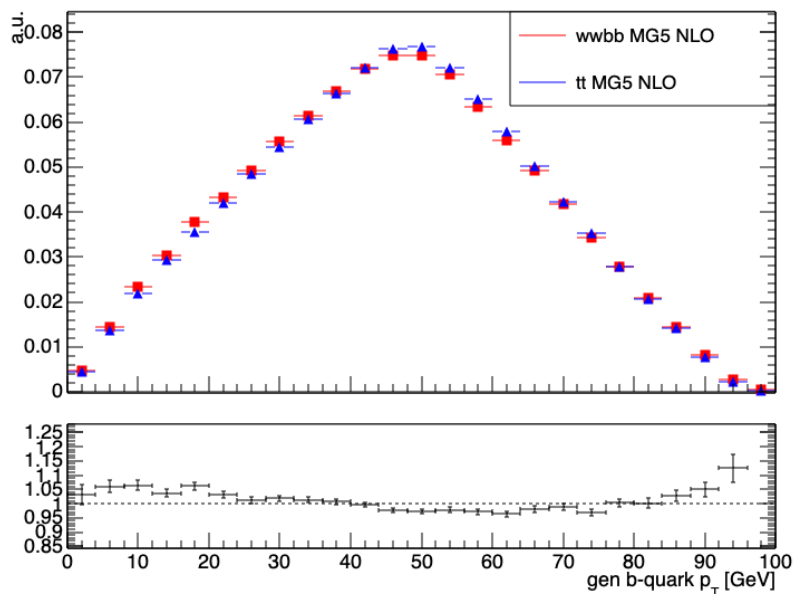


Comparisons with pythia to be done

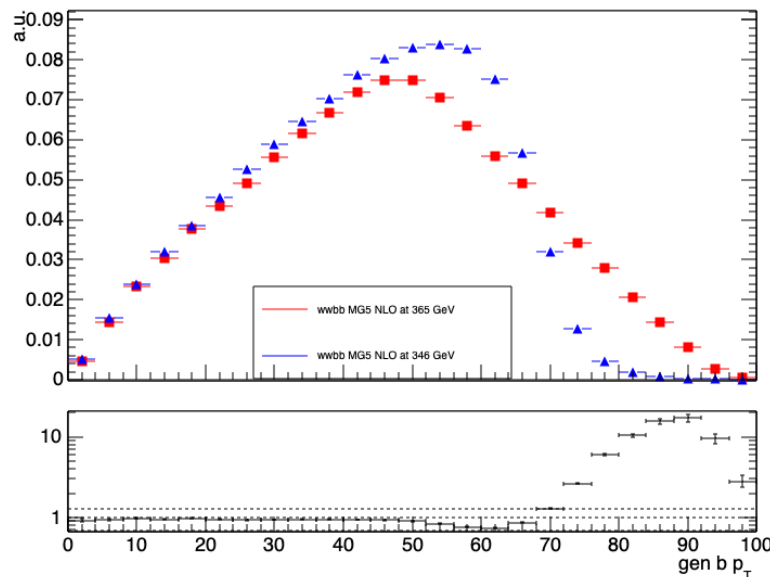


- Calculation of $t\bar{t}$ ($WWb\bar{b}$) (differential) cross sections at threshold.
 - NLO calculation performed with the SM model,
 - fixed order calculation : can not be used “as is” for event based analyses,
 - still gives precious information about changes of kinematics at threshold peak.
- Close collaboration with Whizard Authors (many thanks to them).
- Results to be taken with a lot of care, but first results seem to show that acceptance should be similar when comparing matched and (N)LO.





- First tests also performed with MadGraph, generation at QCD NLO.
- Comparisons with $t\bar{t}$ and $W^+W^-b\bar{b}$ at 365 GeV.
- Kinematic 365 vs 346 GeV comparisons.
- New madgraph version coming (with BS, ISR). **Private versions shared with us for testing (many thanks !)**. EWK NLO being worked on !

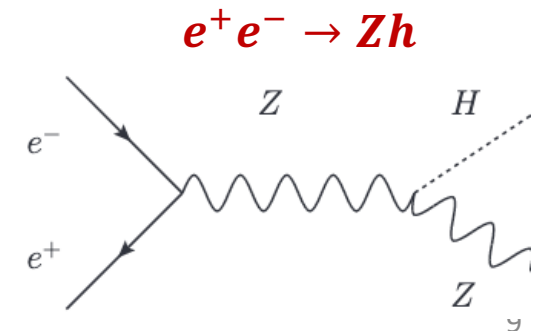
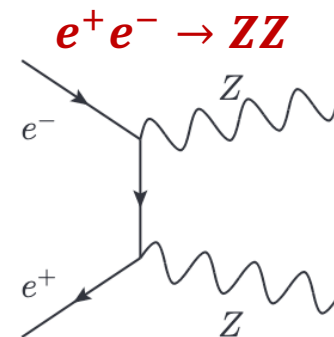
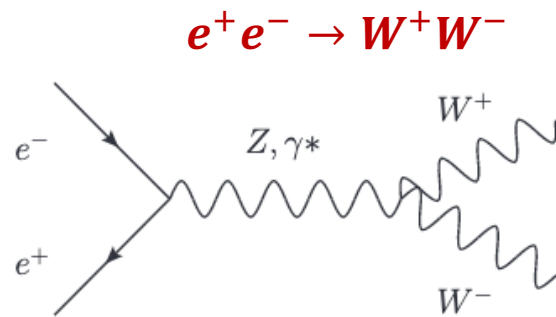
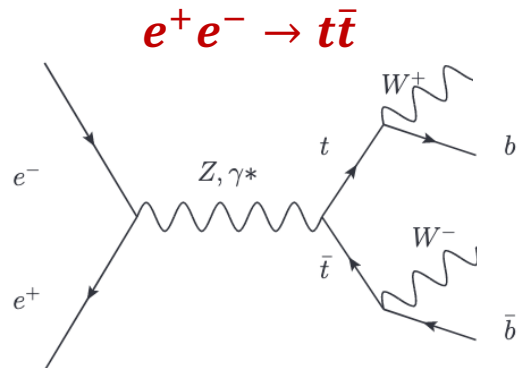


Toward “stable” event generation configuration

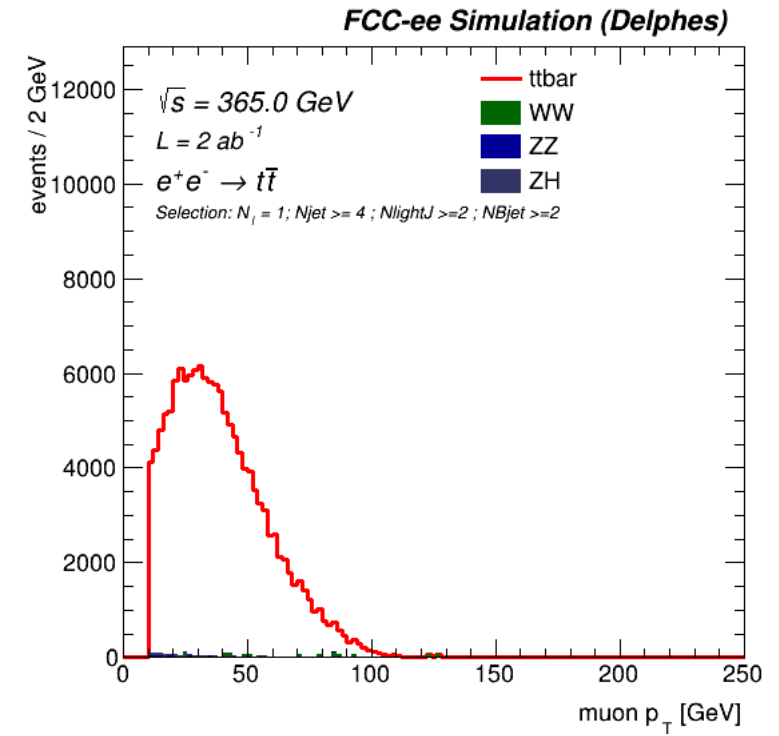
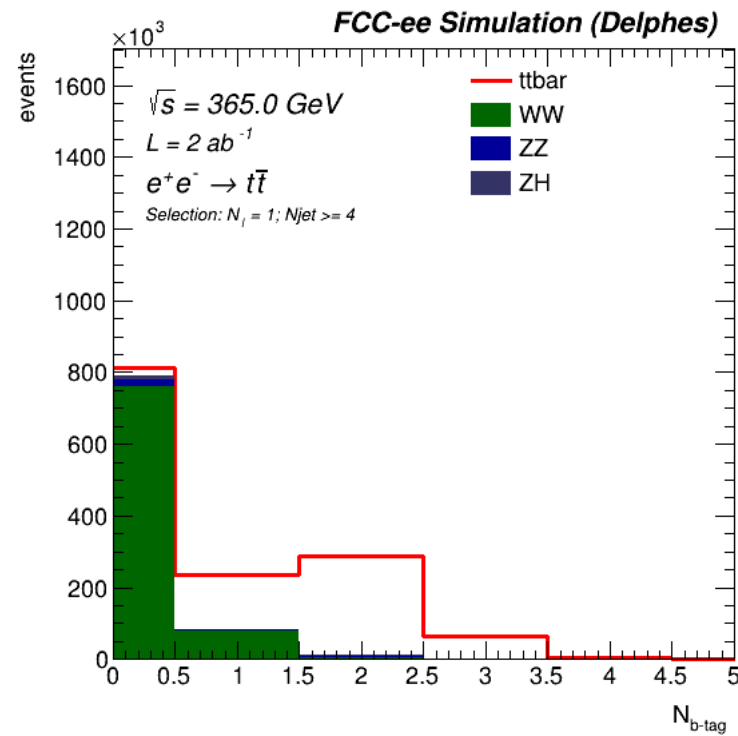
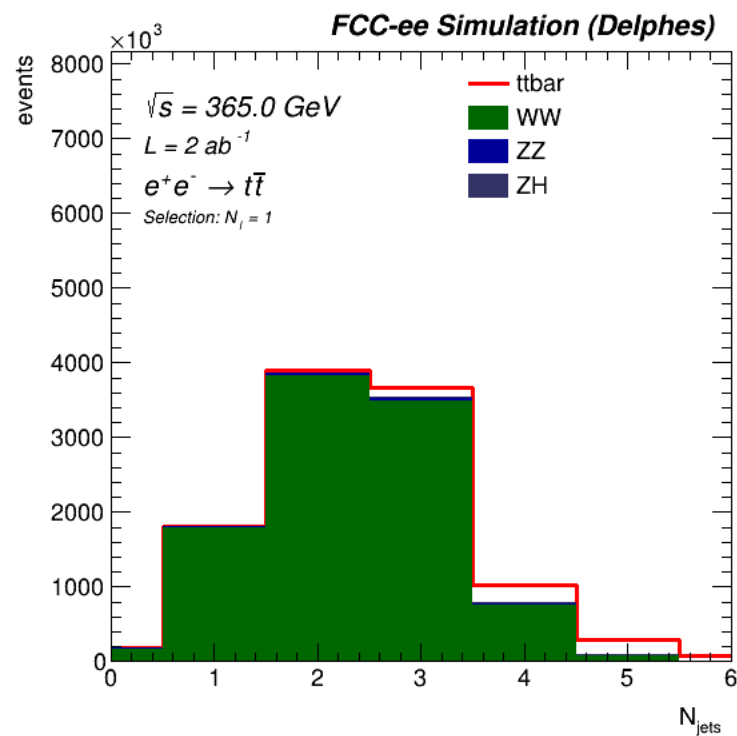
- Whizard generator seems a reference so far at lepton colliders (for $t\bar{t}$ at least), but **comparisons with other generators is critical** (pythia, MG_aMC@NLO).
- Several approaches possible : LO, NLO,
 - $2 \rightarrow 2$ ($e^+e^- \rightarrow t\bar{t}$), only above threshold, Pythia for decays,
 - $2 \rightarrow 4$ ($e^+e^- \rightarrow W^+W^-b\bar{b}$), Pythia for decays,
 - $2 \rightarrow 6$ ($e^+e^- \rightarrow f\bar{f}'f\bar{f}'b\bar{b}$), most complete, several process files (one per final states).
- Pythia used for PS and hadronization :
 - Pythia6 vs Pythia8,
 - Overlap between Pythia ISR (PS) and Whizard ISR ?
- Parameters to define :
 - model parameters (masses, couplings, scales),
 - Pythia parameters,
 - beam parameters and beam backgrounds (BS negligible at first ?)
 - How to deal with systematics ...
- Get in touch with ILC/CLIC community to reproduce similar samples ?



- First step of analysis implementation, above thresholds ($\sqrt{s}=365$ GeV).
- (Simple) events generation with whizard3 for the discussed results :
 - LO only, including BES and ISR,
 - Top, W and Z decayed with phyxia6,
 - Pythia6 also used for Parton Shower (FSR only) and hadronization (Pythia8 can also be used),
- Signal and backgrounds 2 \rightarrow 2:
 - $e^+e^- \rightarrow t\bar{t}$,
 - $e^+e^- \rightarrow W^+W^-$, $e^+e^- \rightarrow ZZ$ and $e^+e^- \rightarrow Zh$
 - Rescaled to LO cross sections for backgrounds, NLO for signal.
- Much work needed toward final productions : expertise from ILC/CLIC on whizard usage would be extremely useful. Next slide : "naïve" whizard production tested with simple $t\bar{t}$ selection (l+jets). As also been tested with MadGraph.



- Simple events selection (thanks to Clement for the help with the software).
- Baseline for future $t\bar{t}$ specific tools :
 - Baseline event selections, for each channel : **Required to preform MC validation**, various reconstruction algorithms to be tested, optimisation etc...
 - Event reconstruction : solve events reconstructions using the beam energy information, deal with combinatorics, Kin-fit to improve the resolution => Copenhagen group (Jorgen Beck, Julie Munch Torndal) and IPHC (JA, based on a method from Patrick Janot (thanks !!)).



- **Precise and robust MC generators required for top quark physic.**
 - At lepton colliders, NLO accuracy matters for QCD and EWK !
 - Other beam related effects should be included (BES, BS),
 - It seems that cross section enhancement at threshold does not affect the acceptance much.
- **We should not rely on a single generator :**
 - Comparisons critical for validation and understanding!
 - Comparisons relevant only if generators cover the same physics => ensure comparing apples to apples.
 - We need **help from the theory community !**
- In this presentation, **preliminary studies have been performed with Whizard and Magrath,**
 - More detailed and systematic studies/comparisons needed,
 - There might be other generators to test,
- Expertises in CLIC/ILC communities, **lets collaborate !**

