

# Weighing the Top with energy correlators

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- We are in an unprecedented era of high statistics collider physics!
  - Top measurements have transitioned from discovery to precision.



#### Current status of top mass measurements

- Current world average (HL-LHC projection ~ 200 MeV)
  - $m_t = 172.76 \pm 0.30 \text{ GeV}$  10.1093/ptep/ptaa104

• An impressive uncertainty  $\sim 0.2$  %!

- Some of the numbers that enter this world average:
  - $m_t = 172.67 \pm 0.48 \text{ GeV}$  ATLAS, 1810.01772
  - $m_t = 172.26 \pm 0.61 \,\text{GeV}$  CMS, 1812.06489
  - $m_t = 174.34 \pm 0.64 \text{ GeV}$
  - $m_t = 170.5 \pm 0.8 \text{ GeV}$

The only quark with three masses in PDG:

Mass (direct measurements)  $m = 172.76 \pm 0.30 \text{ GeV} {[a,b]}$  (S = 1.2) Mass (from cross-section measurements)  $m = 162.5^{+2.1}_{-1.5} \text{ GeV} {[a]}$ Mass (Pole from cross-section measurements)  $m = 172.5 \pm 0.7 \text{ GeV}$ 

Tevatron, 1407.2682

CMS, 1904.05237

#### How to measure the Top mass\*

- What we have access to at a collider is a set of events and a (partial) kinematic breakdown of each event into particles with 4-momenta.
- Methods we might use:
  - Simplest: count the number of tagged top events to find  $\sigma(m_t)$ .
  - Slightly more sophisticated: measure a distribution differential in the event kinematics.
  - Best precision: direct measurement using Monte Carlo to simulate the top events and compare for a mass extraction.

# ...but what is the Top mass we measure?

• The top quark mass is not a physical observable but a Lagrangian parameter,



and must be renormalized in a definite mass scheme.

• We gain access to this parameter through a sensitive physical observable:  $\sigma^{\exp}(m_t^X, \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}, Y) = \sigma^{\operatorname{pert}}(m_t^X, \alpha_s, Y, \ldots) + \sigma^{\operatorname{NP}}(\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}, Y, \ldots)$ 

 $m_t^{\text{pole}} = m_t^X + \delta m_t^X \qquad \mathbf{V}$ 

We will come back to this as it leads to complications!

#### How to measure the Top mass

• Can measure many different differential distributions.

$d\sigma$	$d\sigma$	$d\sigma$	$d\sigma$
$\overline{dm_t^{ m reco}}$ ,	$\overline{dM_{bl}}$ '	$\overline{dM_{t\bar{t}}}$ ,	$\overline{dM_{tar{t}j}}$

- These can be computed from theory
  - Arguably best efforts for rigorous control over  $m_t$  use groomed jet masses: i.e.

 $(m_t)^2 = (\sum_i p_i)^2 \frac{0.0711.2079}{0.0711.2079}$  and references therein  $m_t = 172.6 \pm 2.5 \text{ GeV}$  A recent measurement in CMS <u>1911.03800</u>

- Or can be computed from Monte Carlo Event generators...
  - This is where best experimental precission has been achieved We will come back to this in 2 slides

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# Why is measuring $m_t$ hard theoretically?

Threshold structure sensitive to  $m_t$ 



#### Top Production and decay at NLO, NNLO

Mazzitelli et al. 2012.14267; Cormier et al. 1810.06493; Frederix et al. 1603.01178; Jezo et al. 1607.04538; Hoeche et al. 1402.6293



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#### Observations:

- Threshold structure typically appears in the region where shape is dominated by soft-collinear radiation.
  - Almost entirely dependent on parton shower or complicated resummation.
- NLO corrections make an impact only in the tail.
  - High accuracy fixed order computations are only weakly  $m_t$  dependent.

# Summary: measuring $m_t$ is challenging

Focus here for good theoretical control, here PS is not dominant but a well controlled small perturbation.





Unfortunately, poor sensitivity when not leveraging the threshold

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Let us re-think the problem somewhat. What do we have to work with?

- A (partial\*) kinematic breakdown of the particles in each jet.
- A lot of statistics!
  - The HL-LHC will be a top factory.
  - It is forecast that 3Billion ttbar events and 800Million mono-top events will be measured. <u>1902.04070</u>

What observables do other fields of physics use when trying to extract simple properties from complicated environments with high statistics?

Correlation functions!

#### Part 2: Correlation functions

Polchinski: There is a lot of QCD data... can they see this scaling?

Feb 2009

Maldacena: People do not do this, I haven't figured out why they don't. I think they just haven't thought about this.

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Can you resolve

Courses could

separate jets well

enough to study

the small angles?

Well, this is the point

- here you don't have

to talk about jets!



#### Recap

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- Correlation functions in statistics:
  - $\operatorname{Corr}_2(X,Y) = \langle XY \rangle \langle X \rangle \langle Y \rangle$  (also just the covariance)
  - $\operatorname{Corr}_{3}(X, Y, Z) = \langle XYZ \rangle \langle X \rangle (\langle Y \rangle \langle Z \rangle \operatorname{Corr}_{2}(Y, Z))$
- In physics we usually refer to  $\langle X_1 \dots X_n \rangle$  as an n point correlator. This is just conventional and has origins in that often  $\langle X_i \rangle = 0$ .
- QFT correlators (propogators) relate back to these statistical correlators through the path integral and statistical mechanics...

- Generally one can define correlators of any quantum charge or conserved quantity.
- For QCD, correlators of energy flux are usually of most interest these naturally remove soft physics without grooming.

$$\mathcal{E}(\vec{n}) = \lim_{r \to \infty} \int_{0}^{\infty} dt \ r^{2} n^{i} T_{0i}(t, r\vec{n})$$
  
$$\mathcal{E}(\vec{n}) \simeq \int_{0}^{\infty} dt \ \mathcal{E}_{\text{flux through } \Delta \Omega}$$

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Pros:

• Defined on inclusive cross-sections and can be made insentive to soft radiation. Textbook example of where pp CSS factorisation can be used without any violation. 2109.03665

 $\frac{d\sigma}{d\zeta} = \int dE_J E_J^2 H(E_J) J_{\text{EEC}}(\zeta, E_J) + \text{power corrections},$ 

• Well studied by CFT community. Powerfull techniques exist for calculations: light-ray OPE, celestial Blocks, lorentzian inversion. 2202.04085

Cons:

- Reliant on high stats. A precission tool, not a typical discovery tool.
- Not event-by-event so cannot be directly used to tag.

#### Part 3: Energy Correlators for Tops



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In the Top rest frame  $\begin{cases} 12 + 23 + 331 \in [2, 2.25] \end{cases}$ h

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One can find the boost from the Top rest frame to the lab frame where we measure angles  $\tilde{z}_{ij}$ . We find that  $\sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{q}{2i} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{q}{2i} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{m_t}{Q} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{m_t}{Q}$ 

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Fixed order teaches us that look at G(2) = (dn, dn, dn, dn, (2(n)))30

What about higher order perturbative corrections?



We want to preserve the  $\langle \overline{z} \rangle = 3 \frac{\pi \epsilon}{62}$  dependence! thergy correlators not Sentire to soft physics, but will pick up collinear. How to minimise?

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In all, we have...

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}\Sigma(\delta\zeta)}{\mathrm{d}Q\mathrm{d}\zeta} = \int \mathrm{d}\zeta_{12}\mathrm{d}\zeta_{23}\mathrm{d}\zeta_{31} \int \mathrm{d}\sigma\widehat{\mathcal{M}}^{(n)}_{\triangle}(\zeta_{12},\zeta_{23},\zeta_{31},\zeta,\delta\zeta),$$
(4)

where the measurement operator  $\widehat{\mathcal{M}}^{(n)}_{ riangle}$  is

$$\widehat{\mathcal{M}}^{(n)}_{\Delta}(\zeta_{12},\zeta_{23},\zeta_{31},\zeta,\delta\zeta) = \widehat{\mathcal{M}}^{(n)}(\zeta_{12},\zeta_{23},\zeta_{31})$$
(5)  
  $\times \delta(3\zeta - \zeta_{12} - \zeta_{23} - \zeta_{31}) \prod_{l,m,n\in\{1,2,3\}} \Theta(\delta\zeta - |\zeta_{lm} - \zeta_{mn}|).$ 

$$\widehat{\mathcal{M}}^{(n)}(\zeta_{12},\zeta_{23},\zeta_{31}) = \tag{2}$$

$$\sum_{i,j,k} \frac{E_i^n E_j^n E_k^n}{Q^{3n}} \delta\left(\zeta_{12} - \hat{\zeta}_{ij}\right) \delta\left(\zeta_{23} - \hat{\zeta}_{ik}\right) \delta\left(\zeta_{31} - \hat{\zeta}_{jk}\right).$$



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What is the effect of the asymmetry in the triangle?



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#### Conclusions



#### Outlook

- The three-point energy correlator shows promise as a top mass sentive observable with theoretical control comparable to the current precision of direct measurements.
- So far studies have been proof-of-concept. An experimental feasibility study would be prescient.
- Much of the ingredients needed for a precission calculation already exist. Missing pieces are the EEEC jet function and a broader study of factorisation.

Now consider hadron colliders. Must now use boost invariant quantities.

• Q is now the partonic Top  $p_T$ . This is not a measurable quantity. Instead we have the  $p_T$  of the Top jet. This adds a little complexity.

 $rac{\mathrm{d}\Sigma(\delta\zeta)}{\mathrm{d}p_{T,\mathrm{jet}}\mathrm{d}\zeta} = rac{\mathrm{d}\Sigma(\delta\zeta)}{\mathrm{d}p_{T,t}\mathrm{d}\zeta} \; rac{\mathrm{d}p_{T,t}}{\mathrm{d}p_{T,\mathrm{jet}}}$ 

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Stage 1

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Fixed order gives

 $\zeta_{\rm peak}^{(pp)} \approx 3m_t^2/p_{T,t}^2$ 

 From Factorisation properties of the observable,

$$\zeta_{\text{peak}}^{(pp)} = \frac{3F_{\text{pert}}(m_t, p_{T, \text{jet}}, \alpha_s, R)}{\left(p_{T, \text{jet}} + \Delta_{\text{NP}}(R) + \Delta_{\text{MPI}}(R)\right)^2}.$$



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#### Stage 2

	Pythia8 $m_t$	Parton $\sqrt{F_{\text{pert}}}$	Hadron + MPI $\sqrt{F_{\text{pert}}}$
	$172~{ m GeV}$	$172.6\pm0.3~{\rm GeV}$	$172.3 \pm 0.2 \pm 0.4  {\rm GeV}$
	$173~{ m GeV}$	$173.5\pm0.3~{ m GeV}$	$173.6 \pm 0.2 \pm 0.4  {\rm GeV}$
	$175~{\rm GeV}$	$175.5\pm0.4~{\rm GeV}$	$175.1 \pm 0.3 \pm 0.4 ~{\rm GeV}$
ĺ	173 - 172	$0.9\pm0.4~{ m GeV}$	$1.3\pm0.6~{ m GeV}$
	175 - 172	$2.9\pm0.5~{ m GeV}$	$2.8\pm0.6~{ m GeV}$

TABLE I: Values of the effective parameter  $F_{\text{pert}}(m_t)$  extracted at parton level, and hadron+MPI level. The consistency of the two approaches provides a measure of our uncertainty due to non-perturbative corrections.



1. Parameterize the all orders peak position:

$$\zeta_{ ext{peak}}^{(pp)} = 3(1 + \mathcal{O}(lpha_s)) rac{m_t^2}{f(p_{T, ext{jet}}, m_t, lpha_s, \Lambda_{ ext{QCD}})^2} \equiv 3(1 + \mathcal{O}(lpha_s)) rac{m_t^2}{(p_{T, ext{jet}} + \Delta(p_{T, ext{jet}}, m_t, lpha_s, \Lambda_{ ext{QCD}}))^2}$$

2. Work with

$$\rho^2(\zeta_{\text{peak}}^{(pp)v}, p_{T,\text{jet}}^v) = \left(\zeta_{\text{peak}}^{(pp)\text{ref}} - \zeta_{\text{peak}}^{(pp)v}\right) \left(\frac{3(1 + \mathcal{O}(\alpha_s))}{(p_{T,\text{jet}}^v)^2} - \frac{3(1 + \mathcal{O}(\alpha_s))}{(p_{T,\text{jet}}^{\text{ref}})^2}\right)^{-1}$$

3. Define

$$\Delta^{\text{ref}} \equiv \Delta(p_{T,\text{jet}}^{\text{ref}}, m_t, \alpha_s, \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}), \qquad \Delta^{\text{v}}(p_{T,\text{jet}}^{\text{v}} - p_{T,\text{jet}}^{\text{ref}}, m_t, \alpha_s, \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}) \equiv \Delta(p_{T,\text{jet}}^{\text{v}}, m_t, \alpha_s, \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}) - \Delta^{\text{ref}}$$

4. Solve for  $\rho$ :

$$\rho(p_{T,\text{jet}}^{\text{v}},\Delta^{\text{ref}},\Delta^{\text{v}}) = \sqrt{F_{\text{pert}}} \frac{p_{T,\text{jet}}^{\text{ref}}}{p_{T,\text{jet}}^{\text{ref}} + \Delta^{\text{ref}}} \left( 1 - \frac{2p_{T,\text{jet}}^{\text{ref}}\Delta^{\text{ref}} + (\Delta^{\text{ref}})^2}{2(p_{T,\text{jet}}^{\text{v}})^2} + \frac{\left(p_{T,\text{jet}}^{\text{ref}} + \Delta^{\text{ref}}\right)^2 \left(\Delta^{\text{ref}} + \Delta^{\text{v}}\right)}{8(p_{T,\text{jet}}^{\text{v}})^3} + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{(p_{T,\text{jet}}^{\text{v}})^4}\right) \right)$$

5. The asymptotic value for  $p_{T,jet}^{v}$  depends only on  $m_t$  and  $\Delta^{ref}$ .

Fit function:

 $\rho = 
ho_{\rm asy} + c_2 (p_{T, {\rm jet}}^{\rm v})^{-2} + c_3 (p_{T, {\rm jet}}^{\rm v})^{-3}$ 



#### Further improved?

Using the equalatorial configuration we projected onto the top peak. However the W also imprints on the correlator in a diferent part of the parameter space.

The distrobution  $\frac{d\Sigma(\delta\zeta)}{d\zeta_W d\zeta}$  is independent of the pt distrobution, gives  $m_t(m_W)$ .







Here we show  $p_{T,jet}$  shifts relative to parton level:



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### **Correlation Functions**

• Case study from study of the QGP in Pb-Pb:

 $\langle N(\eta_1, \phi_1) N(\eta_2, \phi_2) \rangle = N_1 N_2 P(\eta_1, \phi_1, \eta_2, \phi_2)$ 

$$\sim \sum_{X} N_{X}(\eta_{1}, \phi_{1}) N_{X}(\eta_{2}, \phi_{2}) \langle \text{Pb} - \text{Pb} | X \rangle \langle X | \text{Pb} - \text{Pb} \rangle$$

$$= \sum_{X} \langle \mathrm{Pb} - \mathrm{Pb} | \widehat{N} (\eta_{1}, \phi_{1}) \widehat{N} (\eta_{2}, \phi_{2}) | X \rangle \langle X | \mathrm{Pb} - \mathrm{Pb} \rangle$$

$$= \langle Pb - Pb | \hat{N} (\eta_1, \phi_1) \hat{N} (\eta_2, \phi_2) | Pb - Pb \rangle$$
$$\frac{dN}{d^2 p d^2 k d\eta d\xi} = \langle \hat{\sigma}(k) \ \hat{\sigma}(p) \rangle_{P,T}$$



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