

Top Quark Physics

At Hadron Colliders

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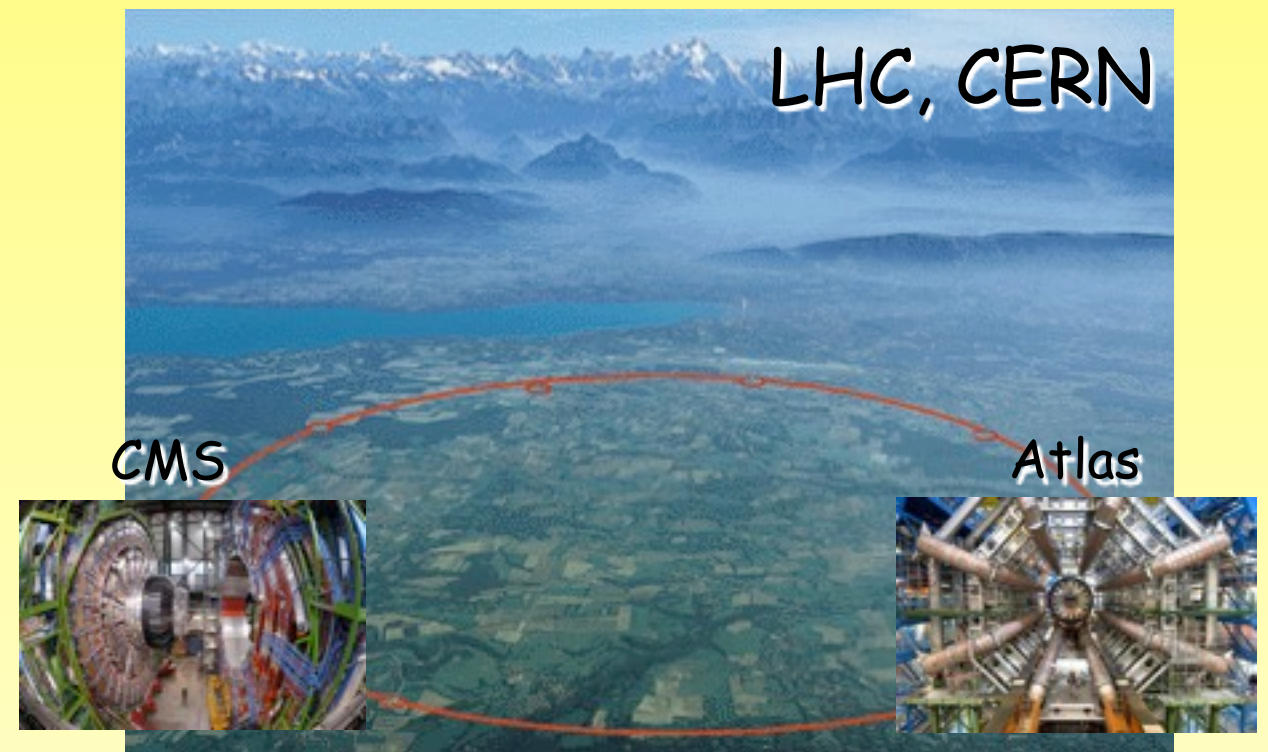
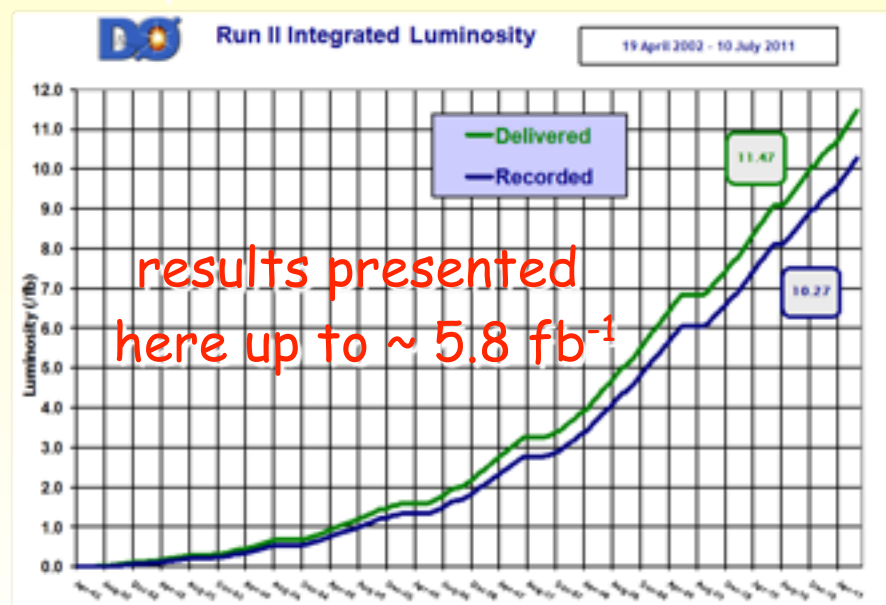
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Hadron Colliders



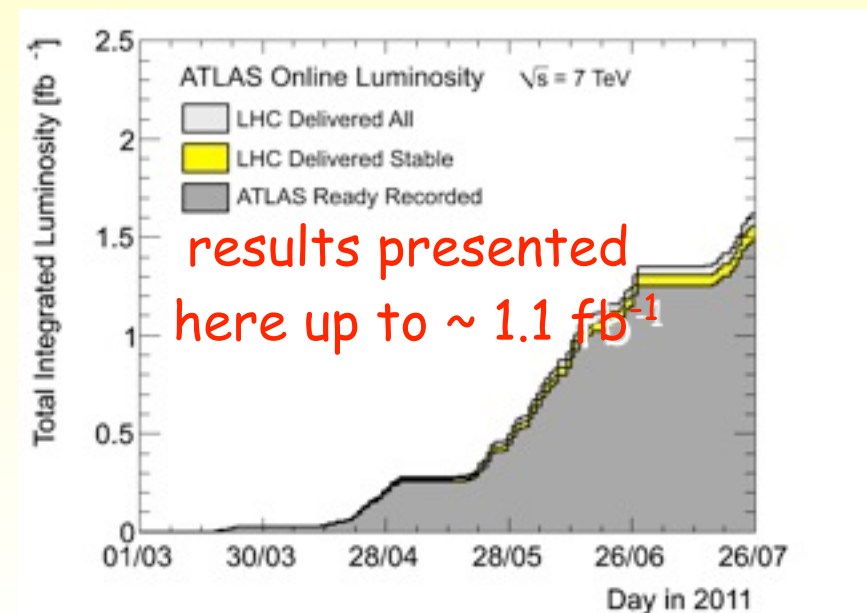
$p\bar{p}$ collider, $\sqrt{s} = 1.96$ TeV

Run II started in 2002, will end Sep. 30th 2011
expected to deliver $\sim 12 \text{ fb}^{-1}$



pp collider, $\sqrt{s} = 7$ TeV

started in 2009, 1st phase until end of 2012
expected to deliver $2-5 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ at the end of 2011



Why Do We Study the Top Quark ?

- It is the heaviest elementary particle

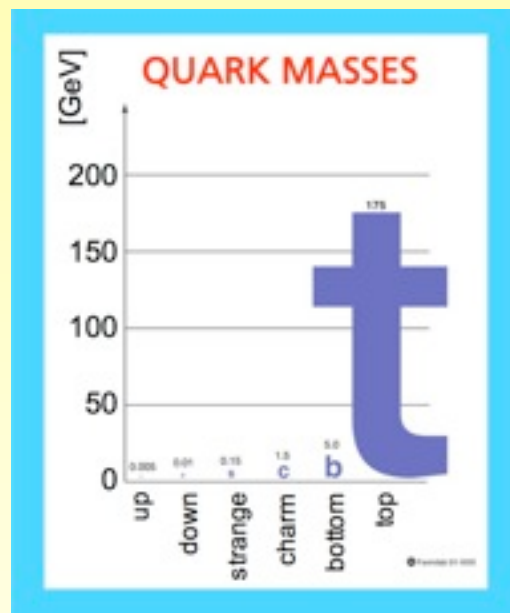
$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{Yukawa}} = -\lambda_t \overline{\psi}_{Lt} \Phi \psi_{Rt}$$

$\lambda_t \approx 1 !!$

$$m_t \gg m_b$$

$$\tau \approx 5 \cdot 10^{-25} \text{ s} \ll \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}^{-1}$$

- coupling to the Higgs boson close to 1:
special role in the electroweak symmetry breaking ?
- decay before hadronizing:
unique way to observe a bare quark

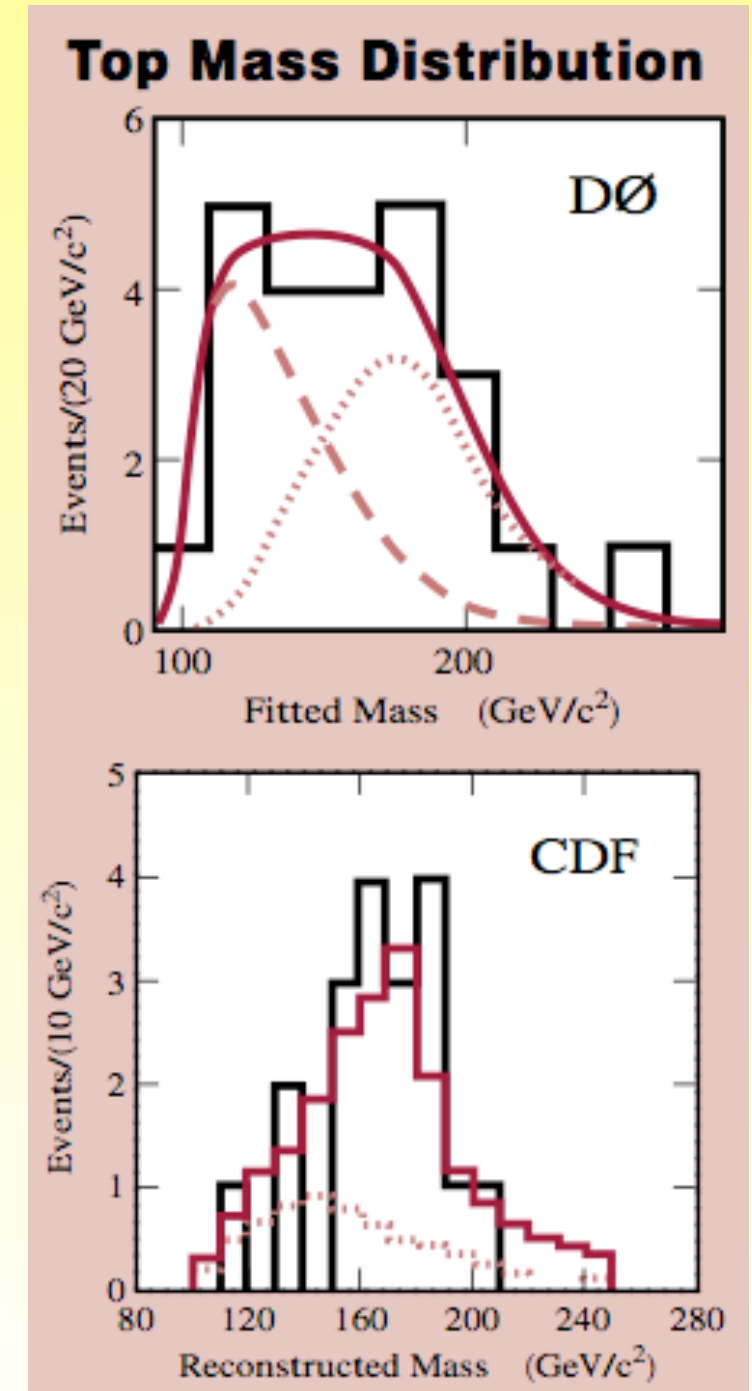


The top quark is a special quark !
Special sector to search for new physics

discovered in 1995 by CDF and DØ

PRL 74, 2632 (1995)

PRL 74, 2626 (1995)

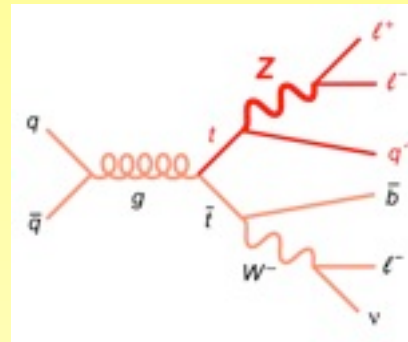


Direct Search For New Physics in the Top Sector

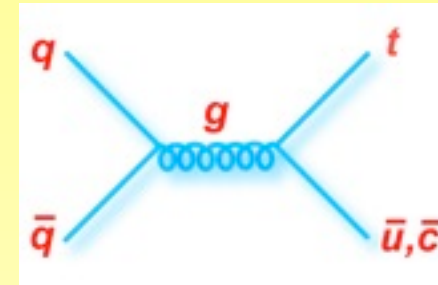
- look for specific new models that involve top signatures or for new particles that decay like tops



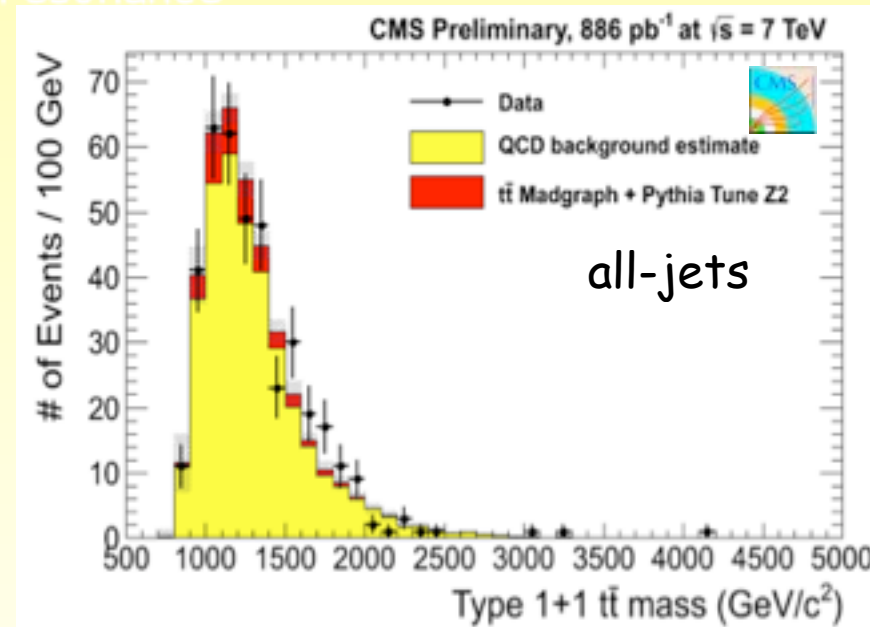
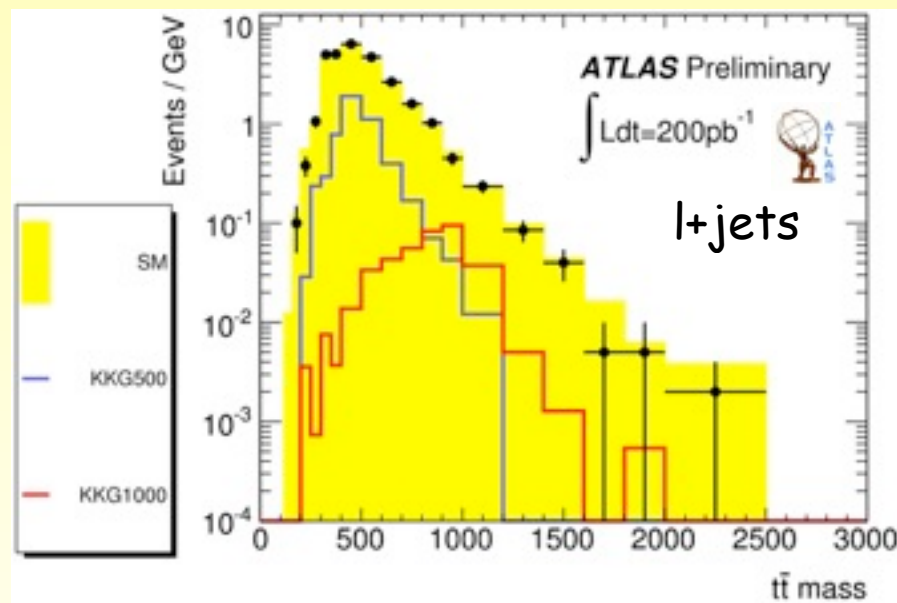
new particle ?



new couplings (FCNC) ?



search for $t\bar{t}$ resonance

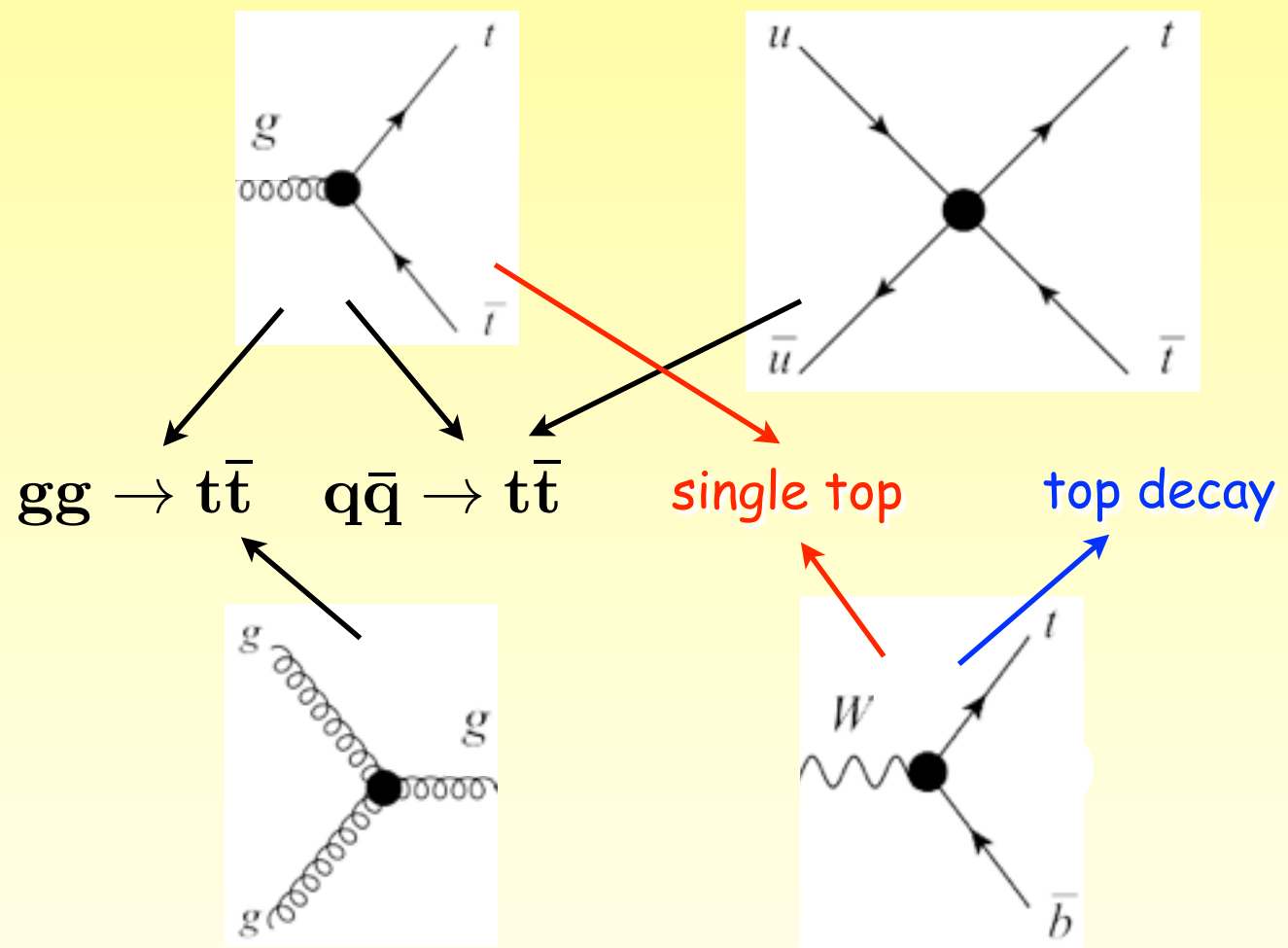
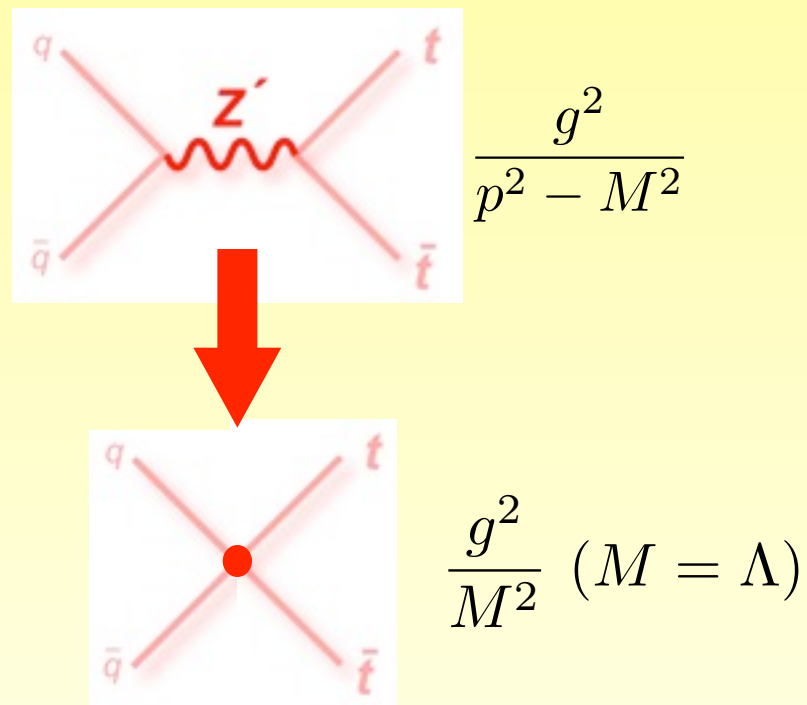


see talks by A. Duperrin (Tevatron), D. Charlton (Atlas), G. Tonelli (CMS)
and the parallel session talks

Model Independent Search for New Physics with Tops

- look for deviations from the Standard Model expectation:
 - precisely measure the top properties
 - new physics effects could be seen as new or anomalous couplings

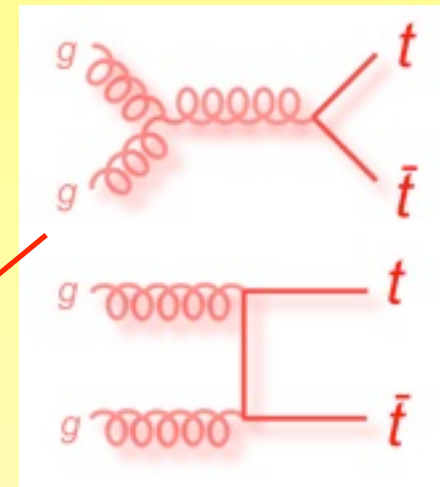
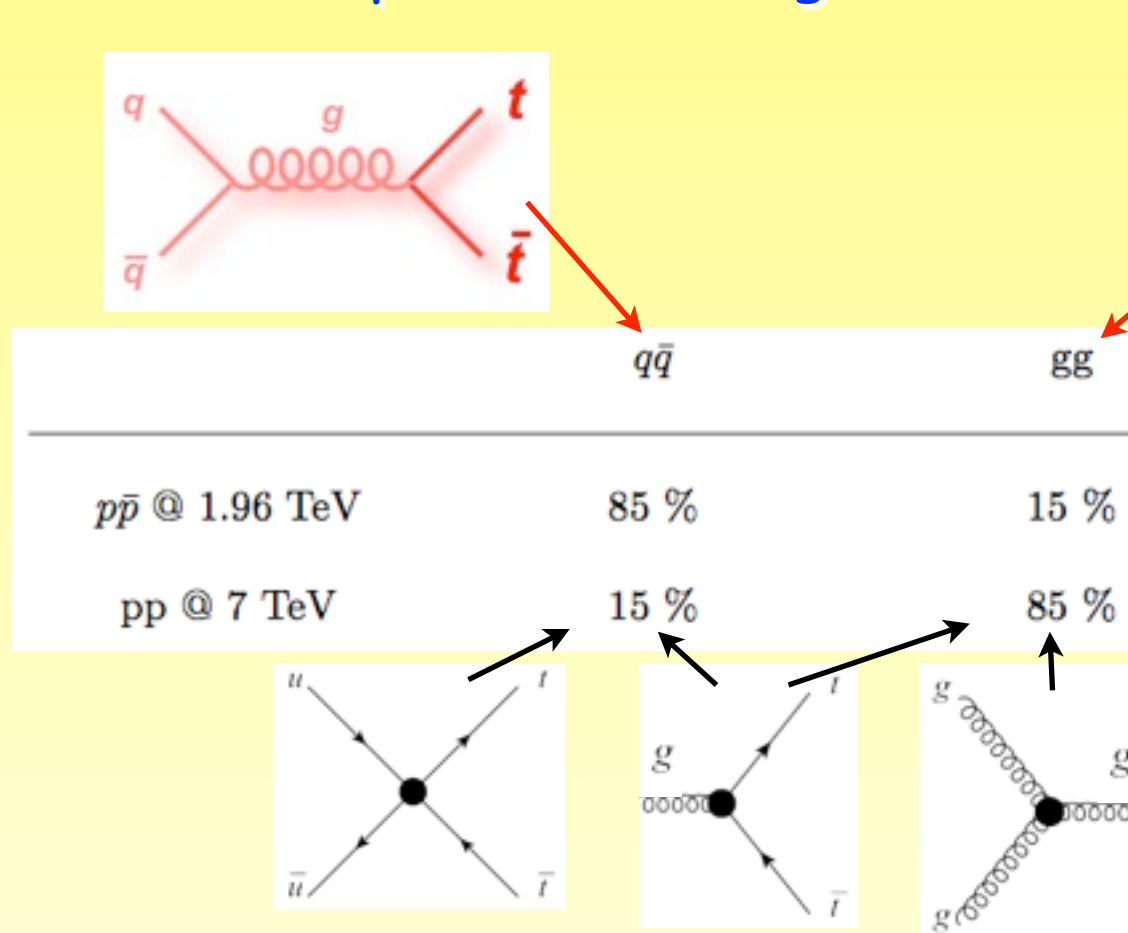
for example:



Different top observables can constrain different new physics effects

Top Quark Pair Production at Hadron Colliders

- main production: $t\bar{t}$ pairs via strong interaction



The Tevatron is a quark-antiquark annihilation machine
The LHC is a gluon fusion machine

for $m_t = 172.5$ GeV:

$$\sigma(p\bar{p} \rightarrow t\bar{t})_{\text{NNLOapprox}} = 7.46^{+0.48}_{-0.67} \text{ pb}$$

$$\sigma(pp \rightarrow t\bar{t})_{\text{NNLOapprox}} = 164.6^{+11.4}_{-15.7} \text{ pb}$$

Langenfeld et al. PRD 80, 054009 (2009)

Aliev et al., Comput.Phys.Commun. 182, 1034 (2011)*

Kidonakis, Phys.Rev. D82, 114030 (2010)

Ahrens et al., JHEP 1009, 097 (2010), arXiv:1105.5824

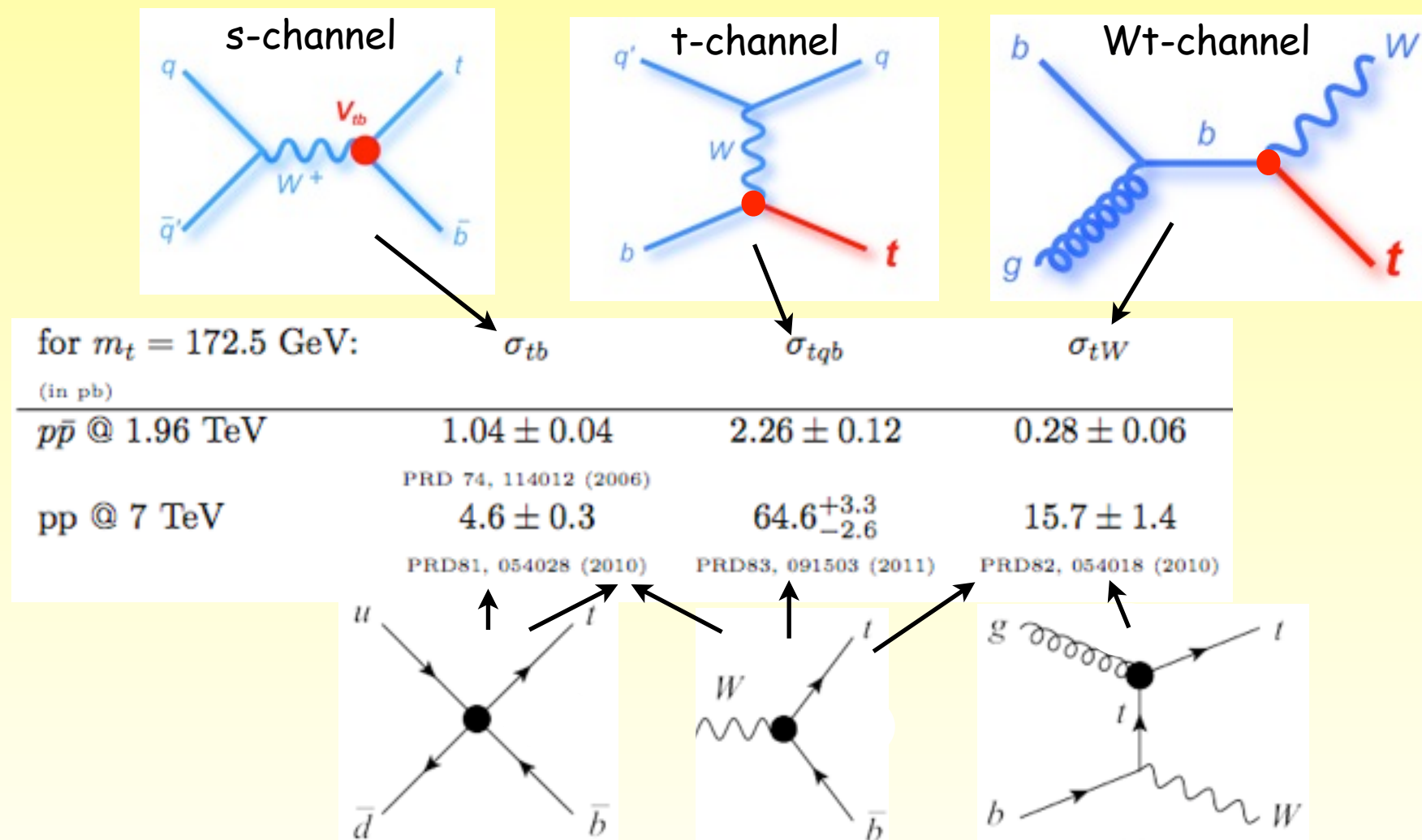
with 1 fb^{-1} at LHC, ~ 4 times more $t\bar{t}$ than at Tevatron with 5 fb^{-1}

Electroweak Top Production At Hadron Colliders

- discovered in 2009 at the Tevatron

PRL 103, 092001 (2009), PRL 103, 092002 (2009)

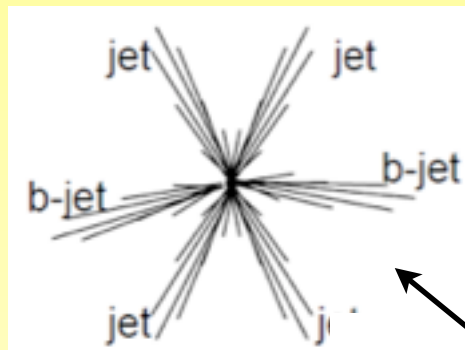
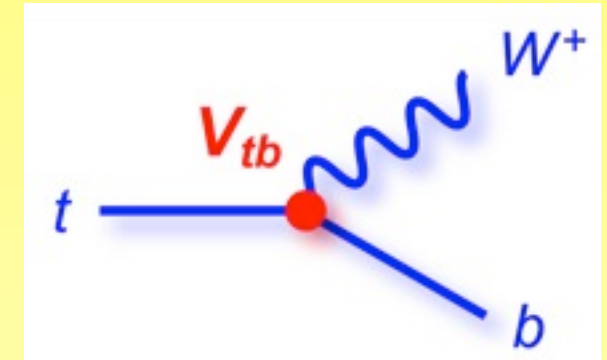
- allows to directly measure V_{tb}
- challenging to measure
 - small cross section and background similar signature than signal



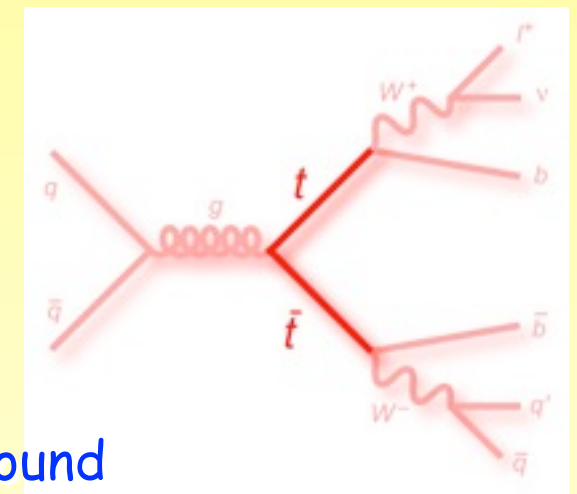
Interesting to measure the 3 processes separately
 tW not possible at Tevatron, s-channel very challenging at LHC

Top Quark Pair Signatures

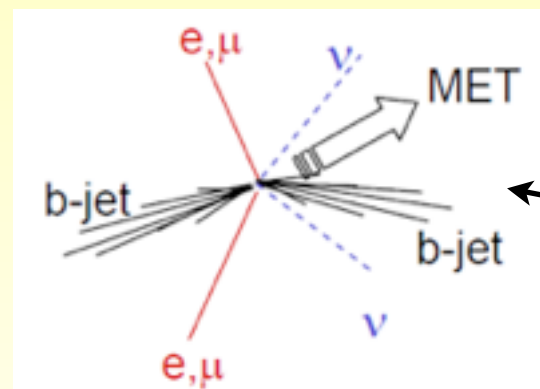
- within the Standard Model: $B(t \rightarrow Wb) \approx 1$
 - could be modified by new physics
- top pair signatures classified according to the W decays



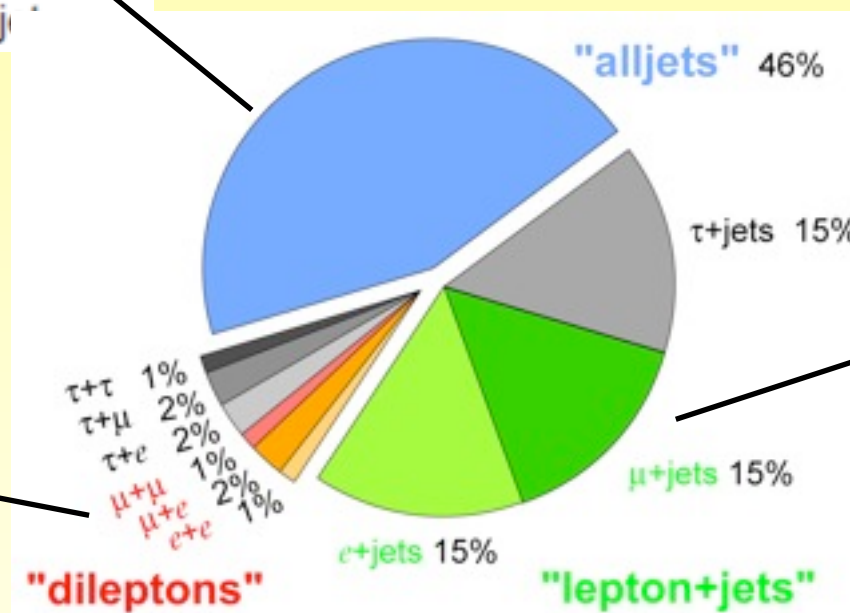
alljets: large rate, large background
main background: multijet
(estimated from data)



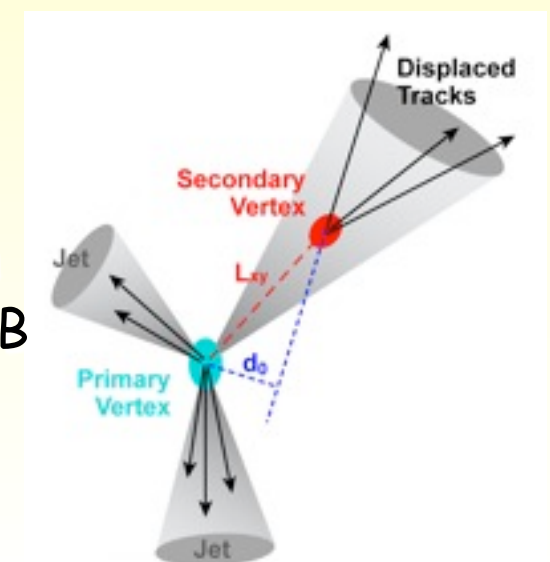
l+jets: good rate, reasonable background
main backgrounds:
W+jets (shape: MC, normalization: data)
multijet: fake lepton (estimated from data)



dilepton: small rate, small background
main background: Drell-Yan: fake missing E_t
(estimated from data)



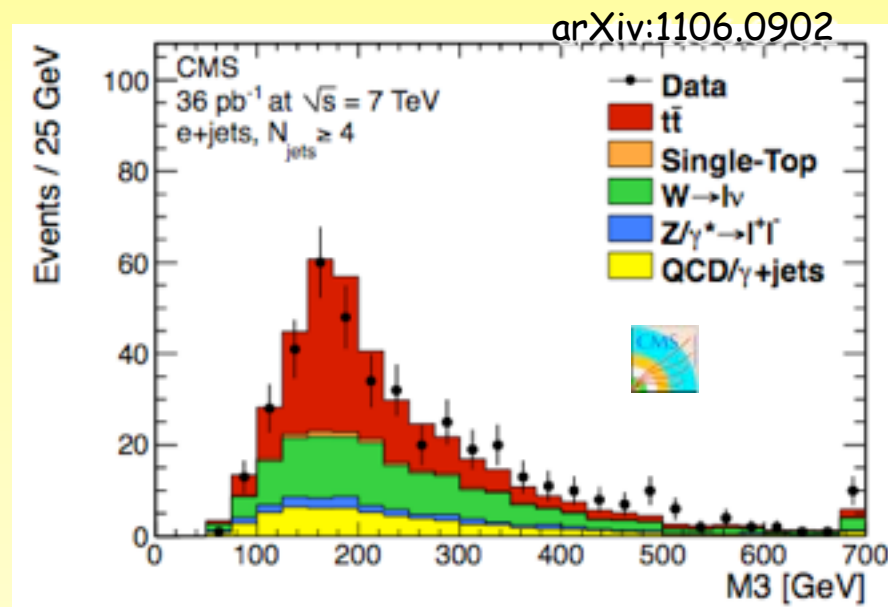
b-quark jet identification
often used to enhance S/B



Top Quark Production

Lepton + Jets Top Pair Cross Section

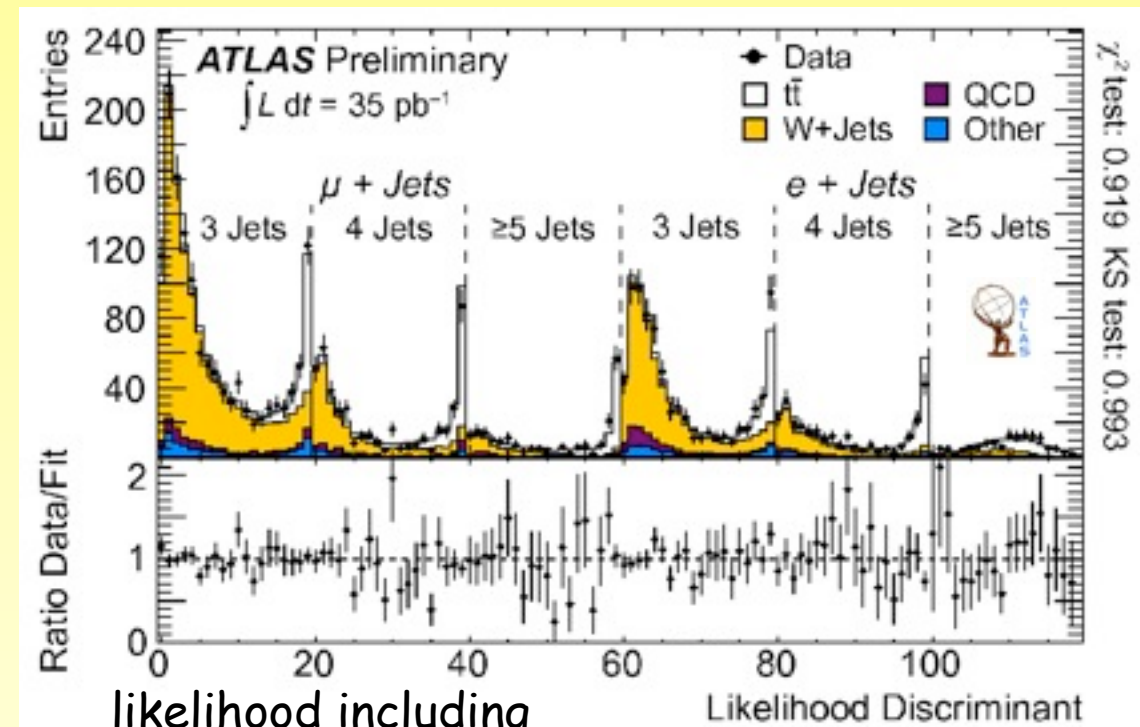
- most precise channel
 - measurements with or without b-tagging
 - usually fit the number of W+jets together with the number of $t\bar{t}$
 - can also fit the systematic uncertainties to reduce them



discriminating variables:

$N_{\text{jets}}=3$: MET

$N_{\text{jets}} \geq 4$: $M_3 = M_{jjj}$



likelihood including

kinematic observables and b-tagging information

ℓ +jets channel

for $m_t = 172.5$ GeV:

CDF (4.6 fb⁻¹, PRL 105, 012001 (2010)) $\sigma(p\bar{p} \rightarrow t\bar{t}) = 7.70 \pm 0.52$ (stat + syst + theory) pb

D0 (5.6 fb⁻¹, arXiv:1101.0124) $\sigma(p\bar{p} \rightarrow t\bar{t}) = 7.78^{+0.77}_{-0.64}$ (stat + syst + lumi) pb

Atlas (35 pb⁻¹) $\sigma(pp \rightarrow t\bar{t}) = 186 \pm 10(\text{stat})^{+21}_{-20}(\text{syst}) \pm 6(\text{lumi})$ pb

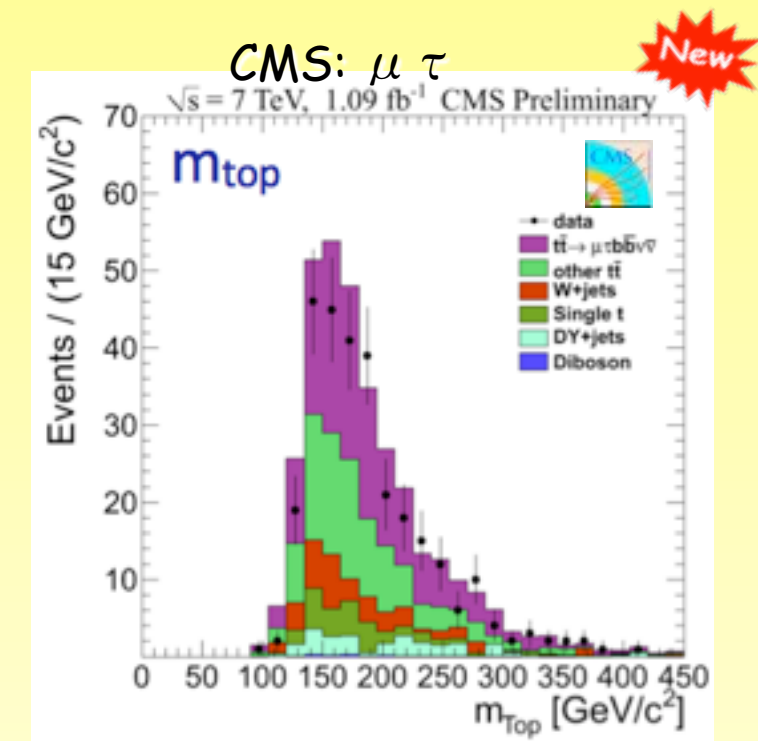
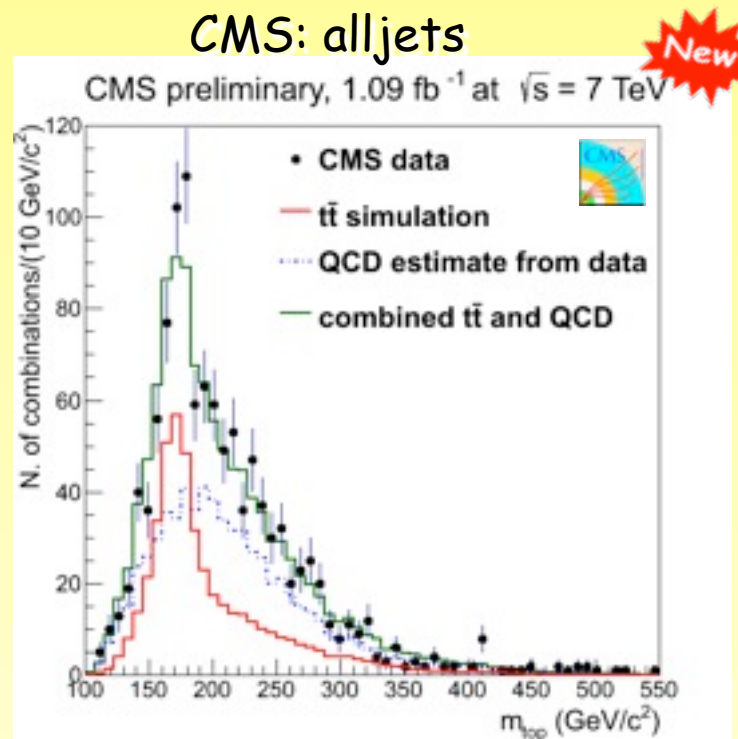
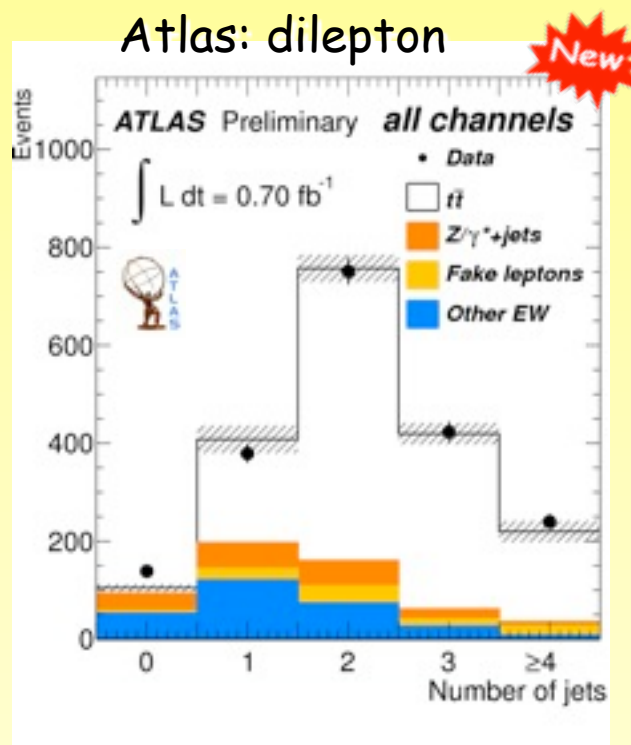
CMS (36 pb⁻¹, arXiv:1106.0902) $\sigma(pp \rightarrow t\bar{t}) = 150 \pm 9(\text{stat}) \pm 17(\text{syst}) \pm 6(\text{lumi})$ pb

dominant systematics:
 Jet Energy Scale (JES),
 Jet ID, b-tagging,
 W+HF fraction

Top Pair Cross Sections In the Other Channels

- interest:

- measurements in different signal/background environment
- see if all decay channels give the same cross section



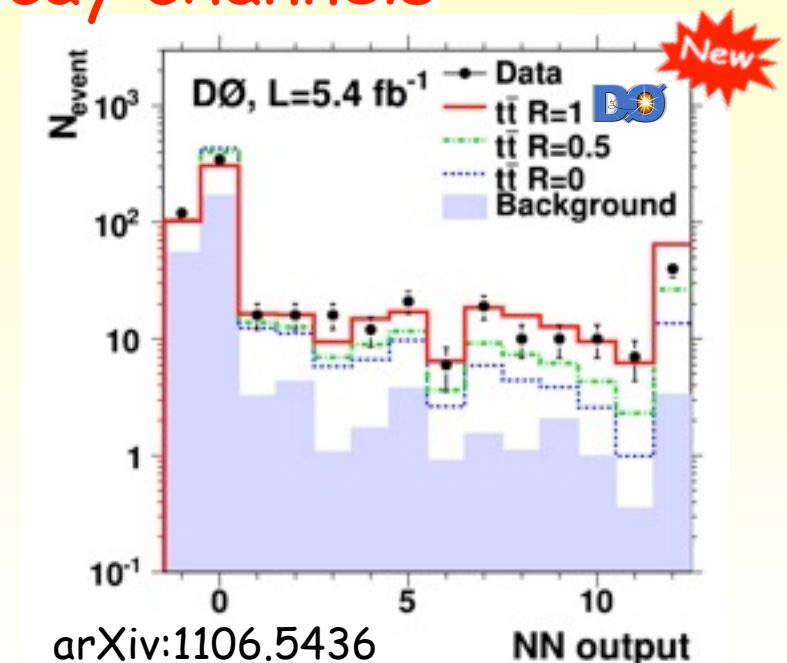
Agreements between the different decay channels

- in addition to the cross section

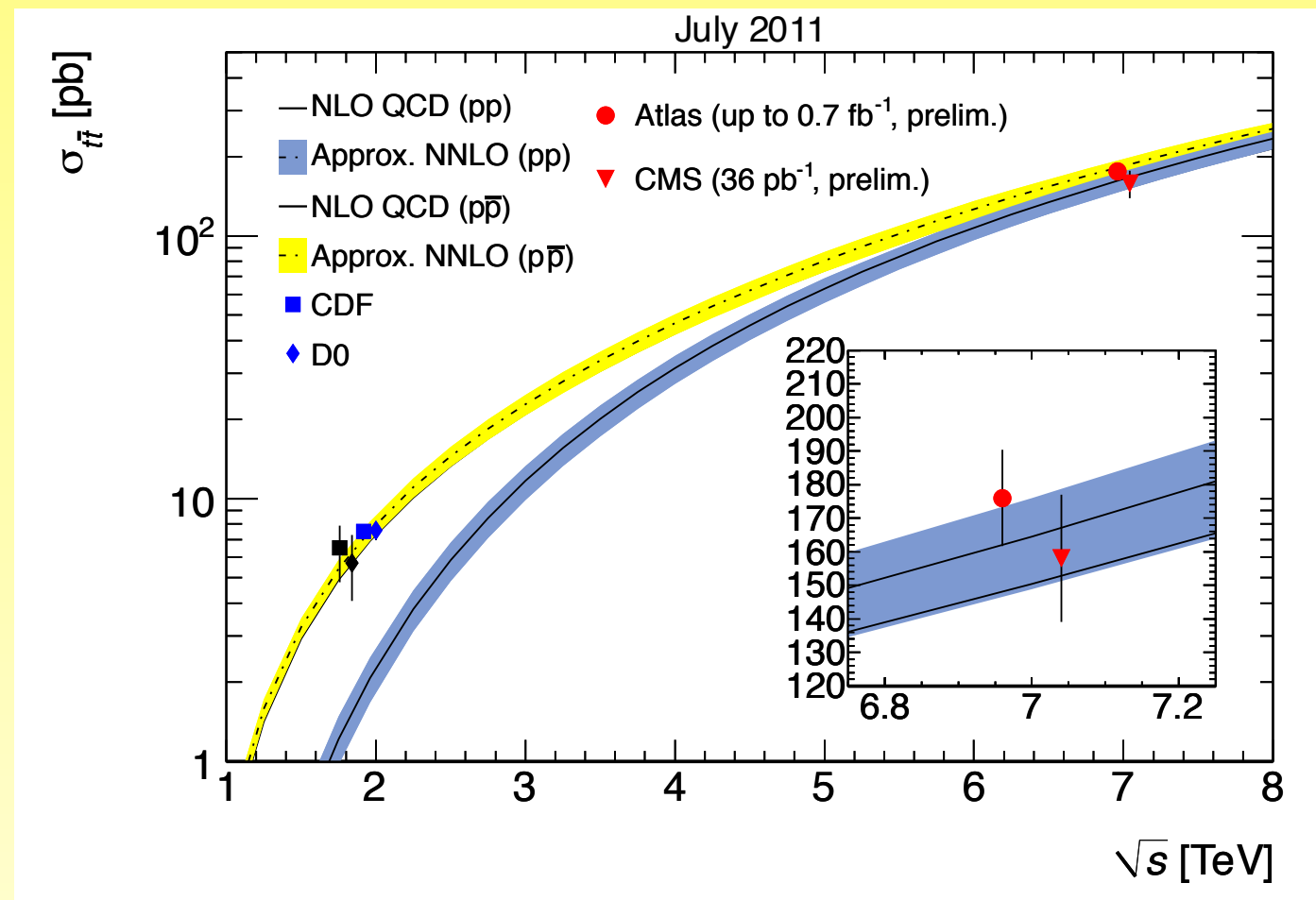
- fit together cross section and R:

$$R = \frac{B(t \rightarrow Wb)}{B(t \rightarrow Wq)} = \frac{|V_{tb}|^2}{|V_{tb}|^2 + |V_{ts}|^2 + |V_{td}|^2} \quad \text{SM predicts } R = 1$$

ljets+dilepton: $|V_{tb}| = 0.95 \pm 0.02$ assuming CKM unitarity
 (agreement with the SM: 1.6 %)



Top Quark Pair Cross Section Summary



decay channel combined
for $m_t = 172.5$ GeV:

CDF (up to 4.6 fb $^{-1}$) $\sigma(p\bar{p} \rightarrow t\bar{t}) = 7.5 \pm 0.31(\text{stat}) \pm 0.34(\text{syst}) \pm 0.15(\text{theory})$ pb

D0 (5.6 fb $^{-1}$, arXiv:1105.5384) $\sigma(p\bar{p} \rightarrow t\bar{t}) = 7.56^{+0.63}_{-0.56}$ (stat + syst + lumi) pb

Atlas (up to 0.7 fb $^{-1}$) $\sigma(pp \rightarrow t\bar{t}) = 176 \pm 5(\text{stat})^{+13}_{-10}(\text{syst}) \pm 7(\text{lumi})$ pb

CMS (36 pb $^{-1}$) $\sigma(pp \rightarrow t\bar{t}) = 158 \pm 10(\text{uncor.}) \pm 15(\text{cor.}) \pm 6(\text{lumi})$ pb

~ 6.5 %

~ 8 %

Measurements agree with the QCD predictions
Future measurements will focus on differential cross sections

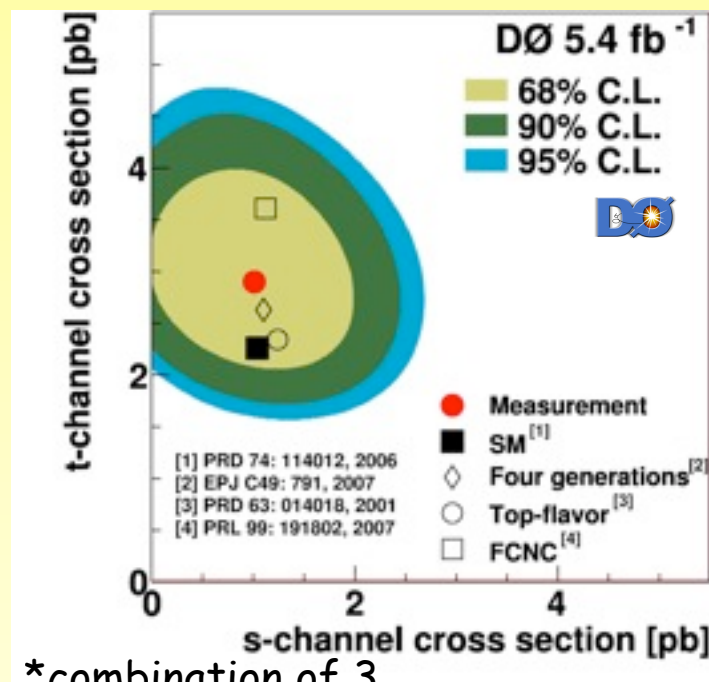
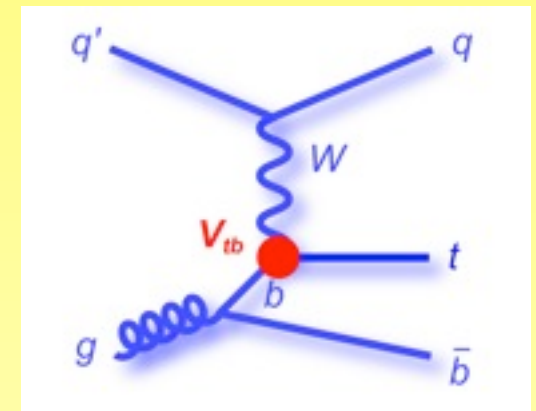
t-Channel Single Top Cross Section

- analysis strategy

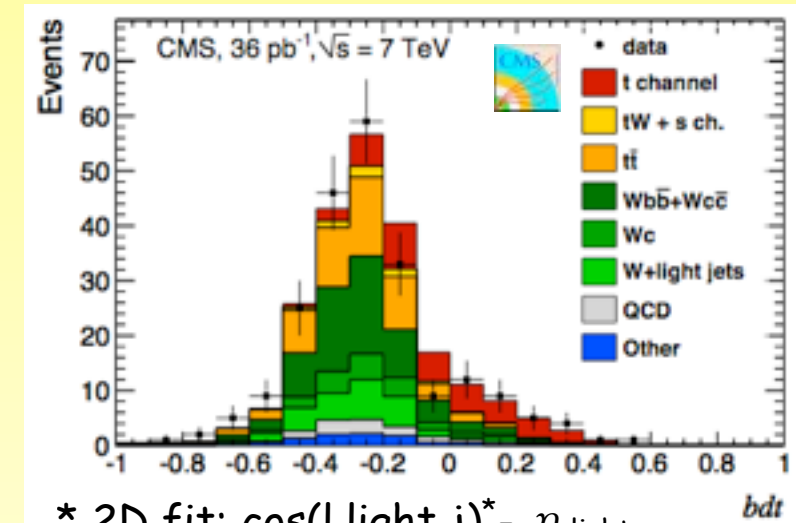
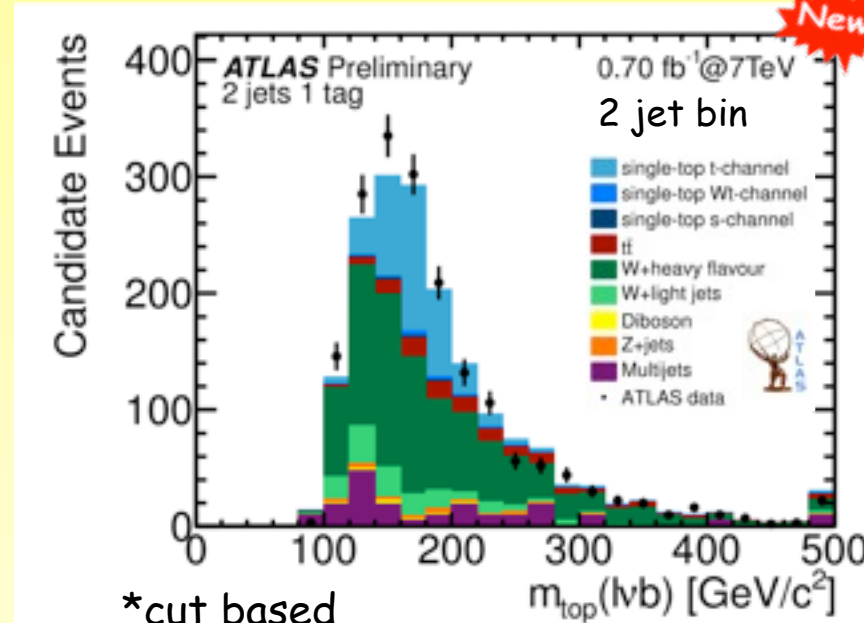
- discriminate signal (t-channel) from background (other single top, W+jets, $t\bar{t}$):

- * Tevatron: multivariate (Neural Networks, Boosted Decision Trees, ...)

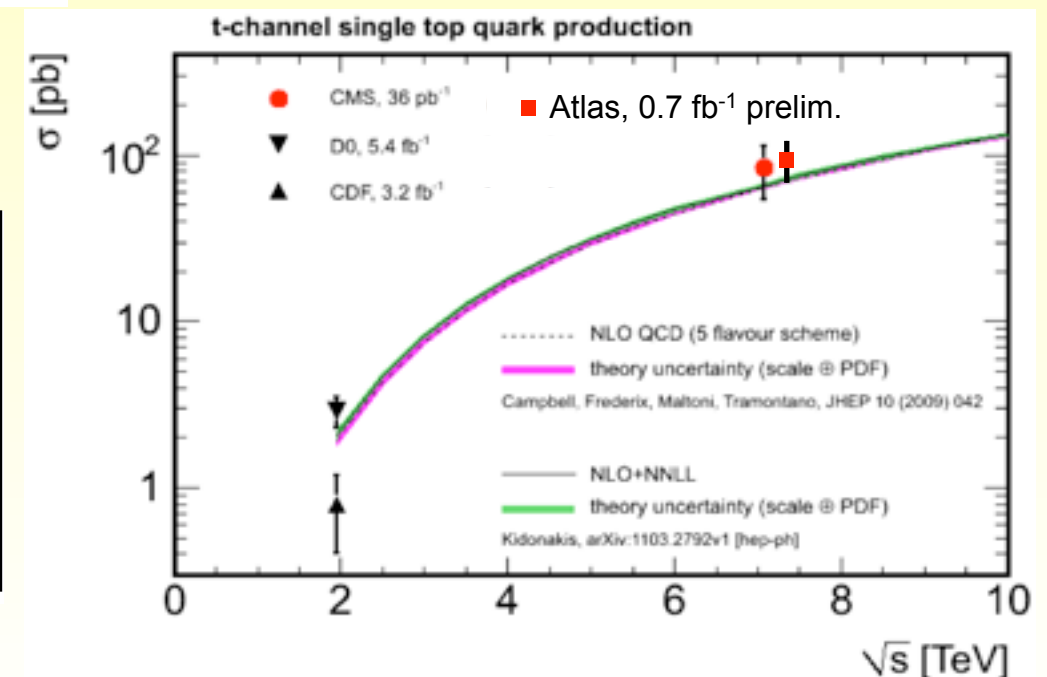
- * LHC: cut-based or multivariate



*combination of 3 multivariate discriminants

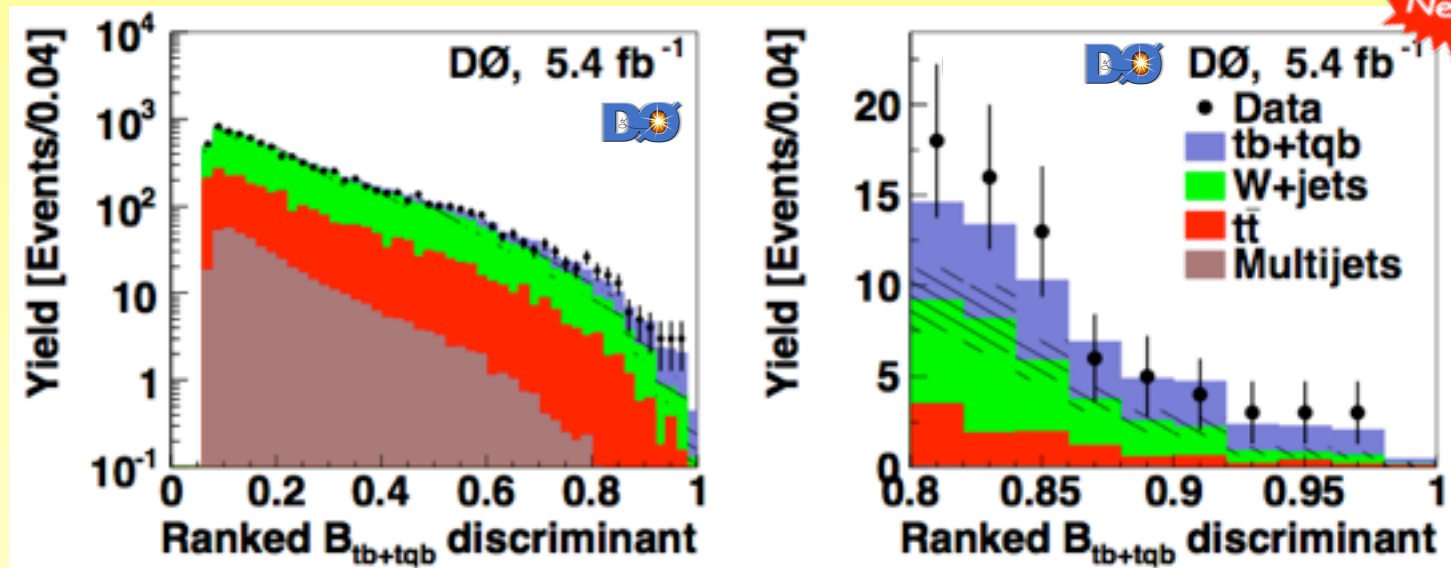


σ_{tqb} (pb) for $m_t = 172.5$ GeV:		
CDF (3.2 fb ⁻¹)	0.8 ± 0.4	
DØ (5.4 fb ⁻¹ , arXiv:1105.2788)	2.90 ± 0.59	5.5σ
CMS (36 pb ⁻¹ , arXiv:1106.3052)	$83.6 \pm 29.8(\text{stat} + \text{syst}) \pm 3.3(\text{lumi})$	3.7 σ
Atlas (0.7 fb ⁻¹)	90^{+32}_{-22}	7.6σ



Other Single Top Cross Sections

- inclusive cross section at the Tevatron
 - signal: both t and s-channel



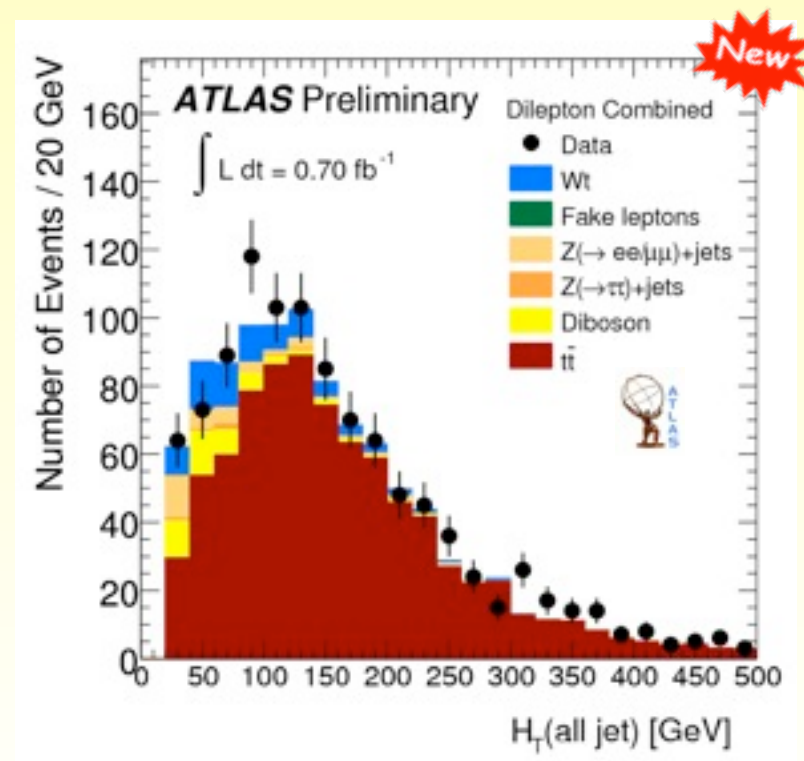
DØ (5.4 fb ⁻¹) for $m_t = 172.5$ GeV:	
σ_{tb}	$0.68^{+0.38}_{-0.35}$ pb
$\sigma_{tb/tqb}$	$3.43^{+0.73}_{-0.74}$ pb

need more statistics for
s-channel sensitivity

$$|V_{tb}| > 0.79 \text{ at 95\% CL for } 0 \leq V_{tb} \leq 1$$

- search for Wt channel in the dilepton channel
 - cut based
 - main background: $t\bar{t}$

$$\sigma(pp \rightarrow Wt + X) < 39.1 \text{ pb}$$

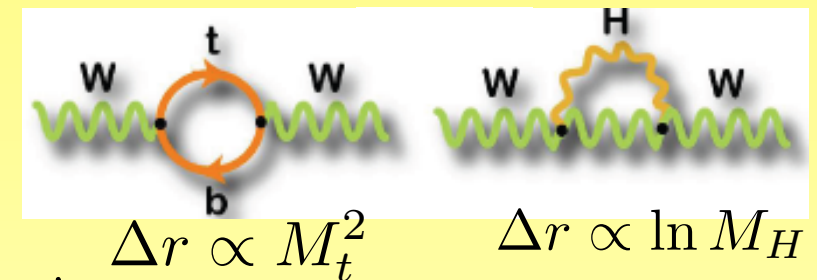


Top Quark Properties

Top Quark Mass

- why measuring the top mass precisely ?

- free parameter of the SM
- predict the Higgs boson mass together with the W boson mass
- consistency of the SM and possibly with the direct Higgs measurements



- how to measure the top mass ?

- template method:

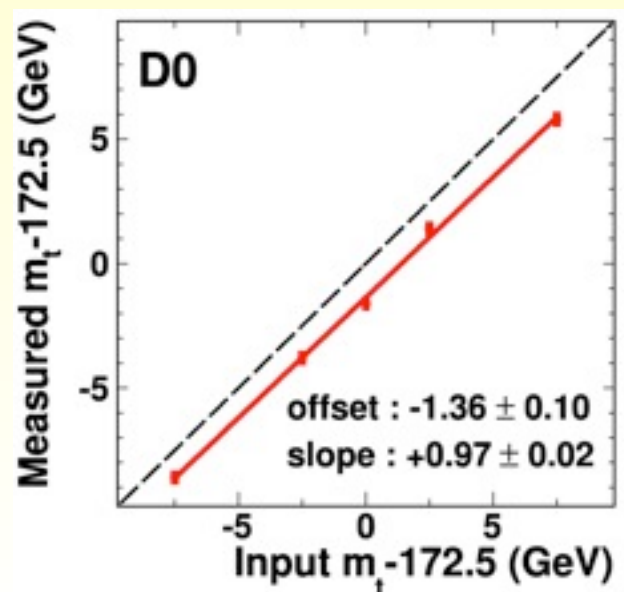
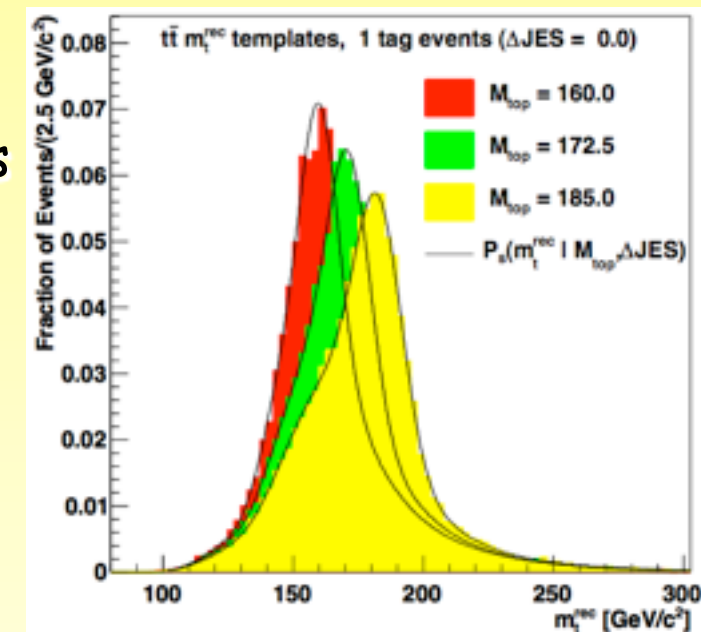
- * compare an observable in data with MC generated with different masses

- matrix element method:

- * build an event probability based on the LO $t\bar{t}$ matrix element using the full kinematics of the event

- ideogram method:

- * event likelihood computed as a convolution of a Gaussian resolution function with a Breit-Wigner (signal)



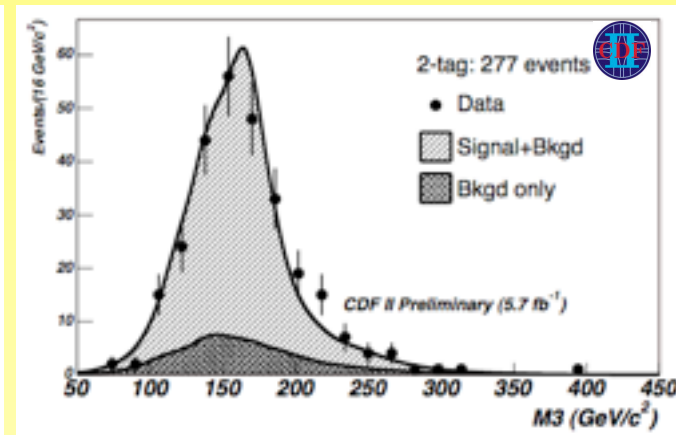
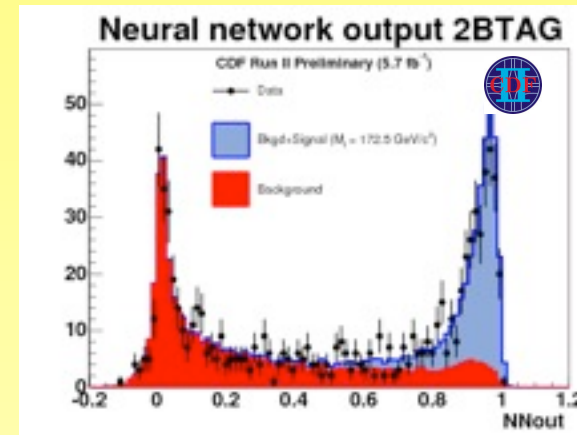
- for channel with at least one W decaying hadronically, can calibrate the jet energy scale (JES) constraining M_{jj} to M_W
- need to calibrate the method to correct for any potential biases

Top Quark Mass Measurements

- CDF template result using MET+jets events

- NN selection to extract the signal
- observables: M_t : $M_3=M_{jjj}$, $M'_3=M_{jjj'}$, JES: $M_2=M_{jj}$

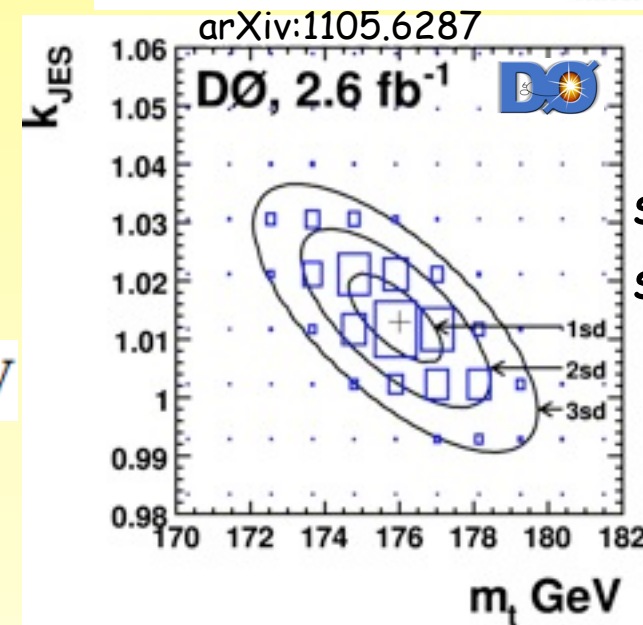
$$M_{top} = 172.3 \pm 2.4 \text{ (stat. + JES)} \pm 1.0 \text{ (syst.) GeV}/c^2$$



- DØ ME result using lepton+jets events

- new flavor-dependent jet response correction
- combine with the previous 1 fb⁻¹ measurement

$$m_t = 174.94 \pm 0.83 \text{ (stat)} \pm 0.78 \text{ (JES)} \pm 0.96 \text{ (syst) GeV}$$

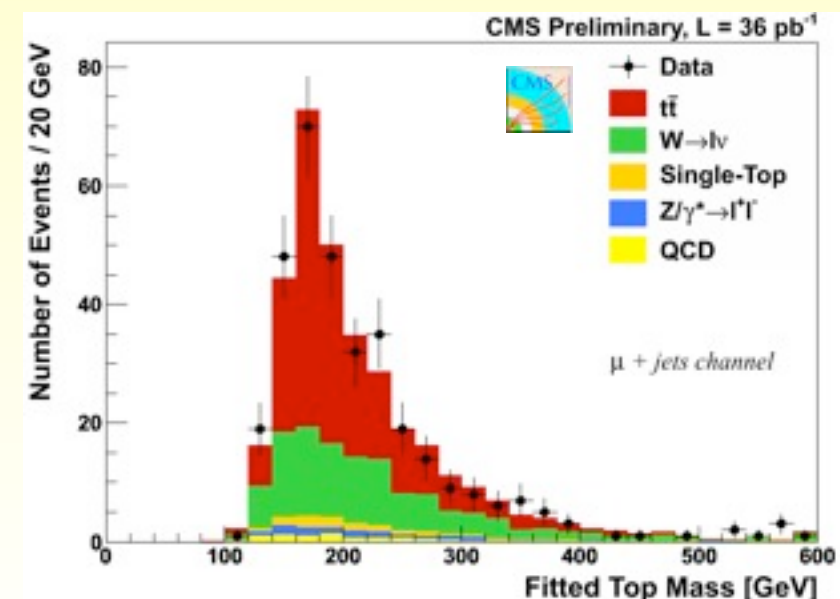


systematically limited:
signal modeling, residual JES

- CMS ideogram result using lepton+jets events

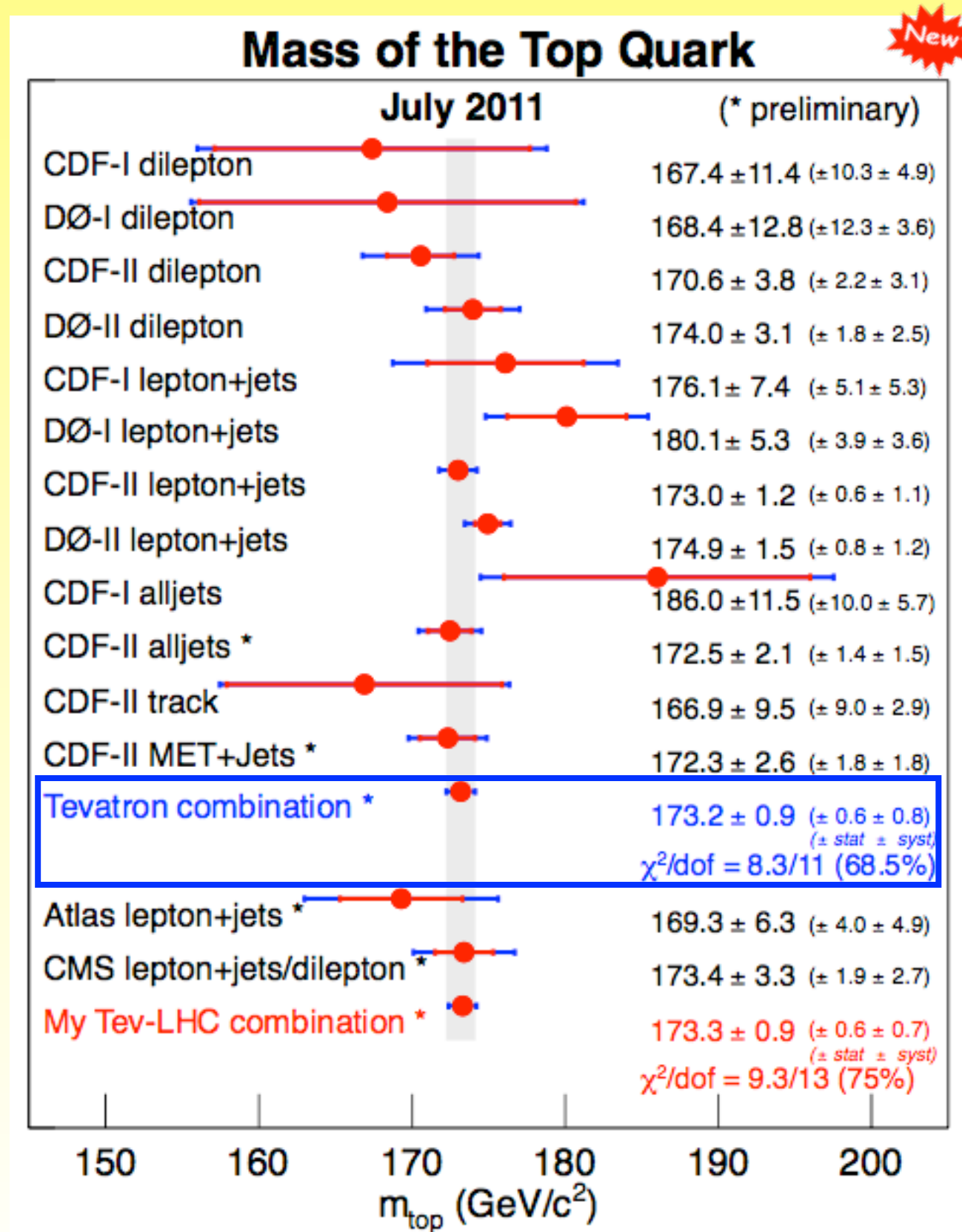
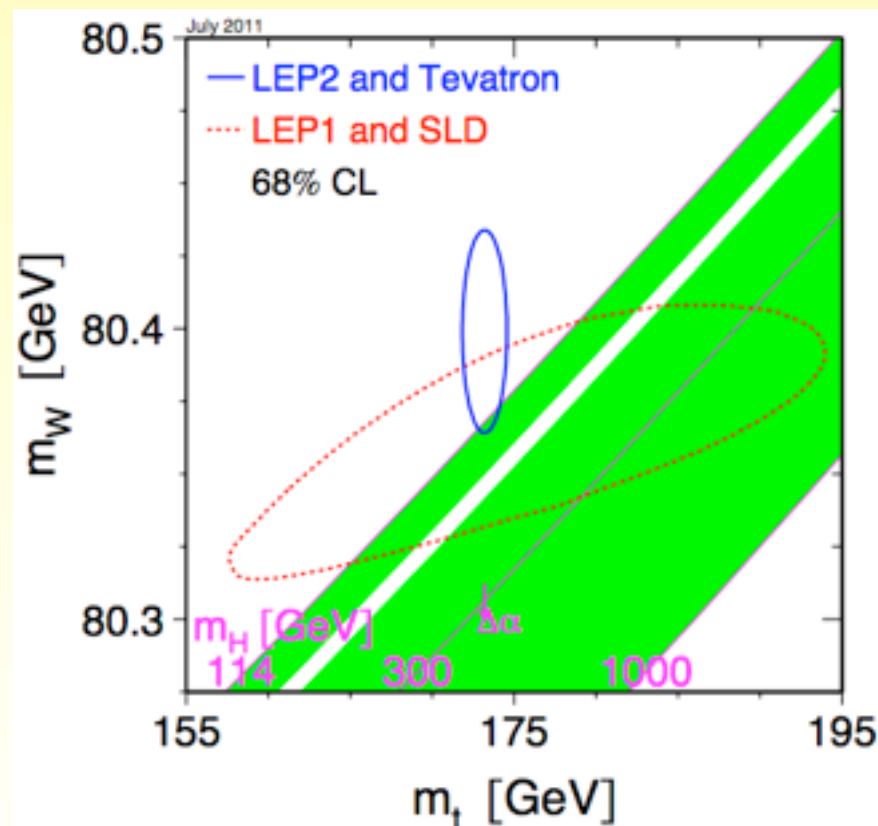
$$m_t = 173.1 \pm 2.1 \text{ (stat)}^{+2.8}_{-2.5} \text{ (syst) GeV}$$

dominant systematics:
JES, factorization scale



Top Quark Mass Summary

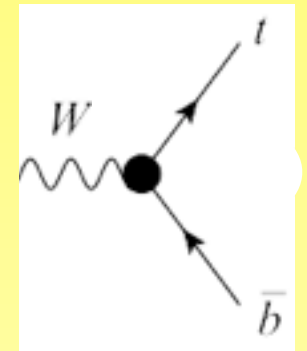
- new Tevatron combination
 - uncertainty below 1 GeV for the first time
 - all channels give consistent results
 - still working on decreasing the systematic uncertainties
- new electroweak fit, constraints on the Higgs boson mass:
 - $m_H < 161 \text{ GeV}$ at 95% CL ($m_H < 185$ with LEP limit)
 - $m_H = 92^{+34}_{-26} \text{ GeV}$



W Boson Helicity In Top Decays

- motivation:

- test the SM at the electroweak scale
- new physics could affect the helicity, no right-handed W in the SM

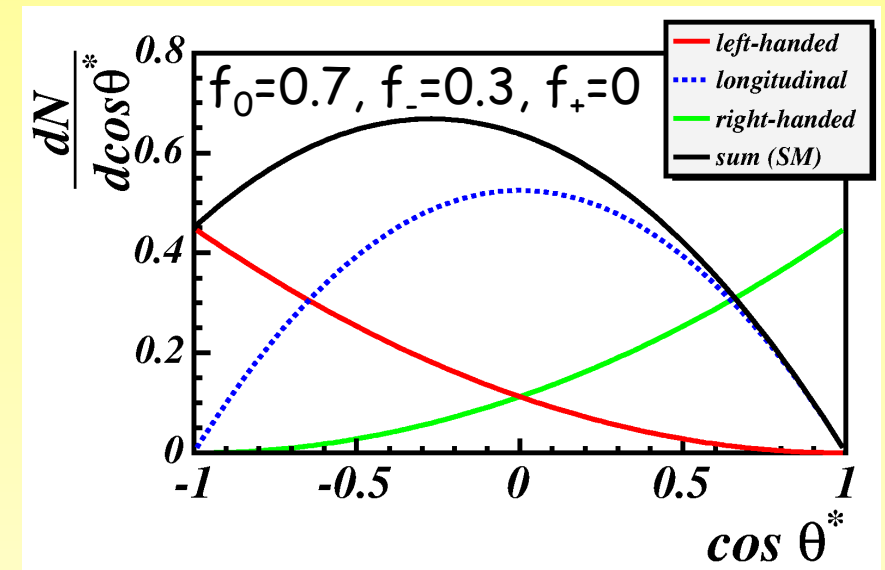


- measurement methods:

- template fit of the $\cos \theta^*$ distribution

(angle between the lepton from the W boson and the top direction in W boson rest frame)

- matrix element (ME)



- combination of the latest Tevatron results:

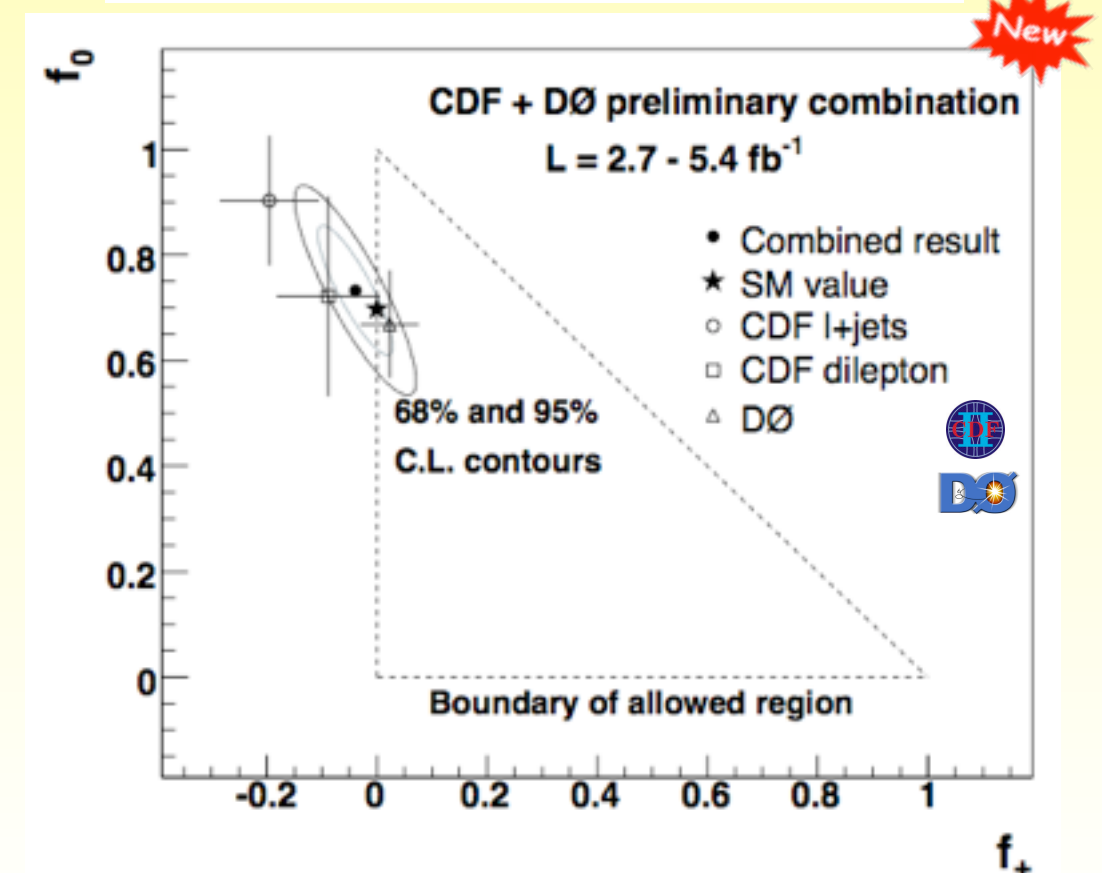
- taken correlation into account
- both when f_0 and f_+ are floating or only one of them

$$\begin{aligned} f_0 &= 0.732 \pm 0.063(\text{stat}) \pm 0.052(\text{syst}) \\ f_+ &= -0.039 \pm 0.034(\text{stat}) \pm 0.030(\text{syst}) \end{aligned} \quad (2D)$$

- Atlas result:

- lepton+jets template (35 pb^{-1})

$$\begin{aligned} f_0 &= 0.59 \pm 0.10(\text{stat}) \pm 0.07(\text{syst}) \\ f_- &= 0.41 \pm 0.10(\text{stat}) \pm 0.07(\text{syst}) \end{aligned} \quad (1D)$$

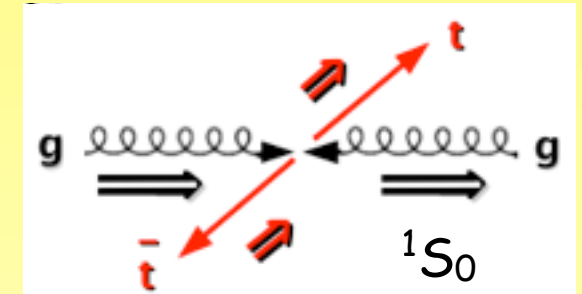
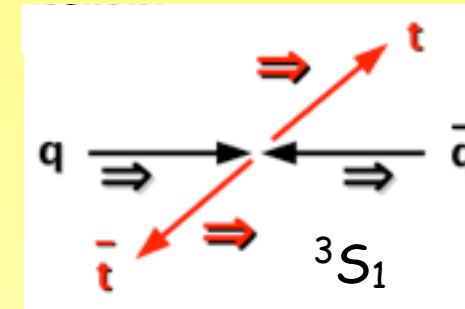


Top Pair Spin Correlations

- in the SM, the spin of the top and of the antitop are produced correlated
 - correlation preserved in the decay products
 - can be affected by new physics

- measurement methods:

- template fit of the $\cos \theta_1 \cos \theta_2$ distribution
(θ : angle from the down-type fermion wrt spin basis in the top/antitop rest frame)



- matrix element: measure f : fraction of events with spin correlation using a template fit of R

$$\frac{1}{\sigma} \frac{d^2 \sigma}{d \cos \theta_1 d \cos \theta_2} = \frac{1}{4} (1 - C \cos \theta_1 \cos \theta_2)$$

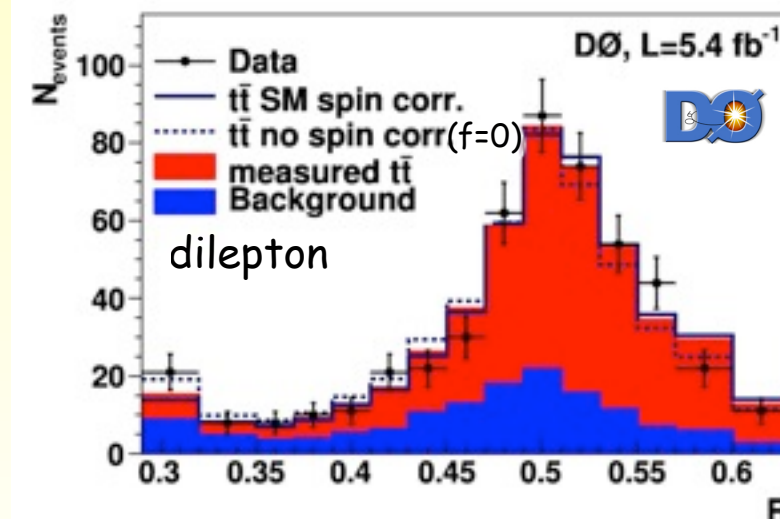
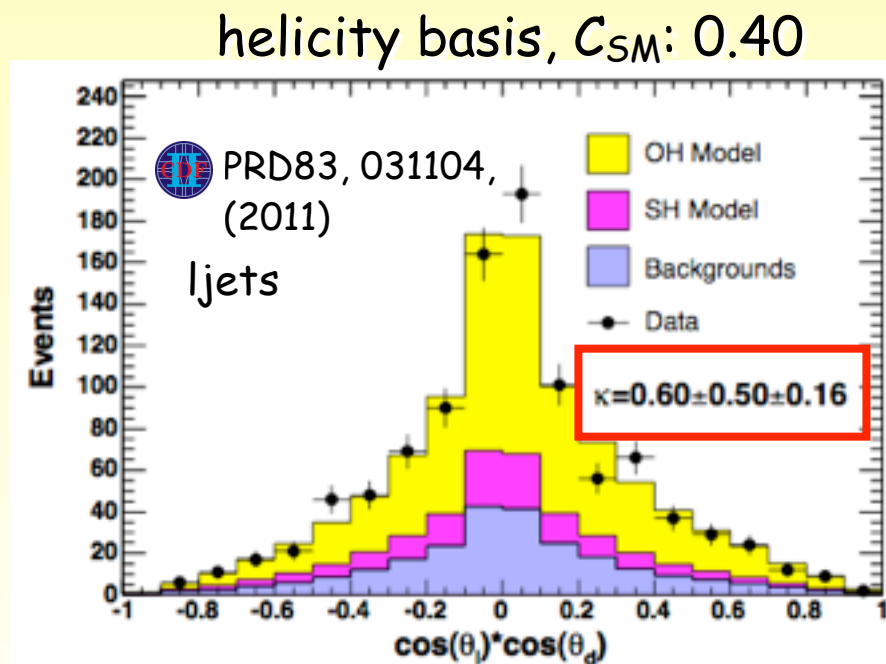
$$R = \frac{P_{\text{sgn}}(H = c)}{P_{\text{sgn}}(H = u) + P_{\text{sgn}}(H = c)}$$

using ME without spin corr.

using ME with spin corr.

$$f_{\text{meas}} = 0.74^{+0.40}_{-0.41} \text{ (stat+syst)}$$

$$C_{\text{meas}} = 0.57 \pm 0.31 \text{ (stat+syst)}$$

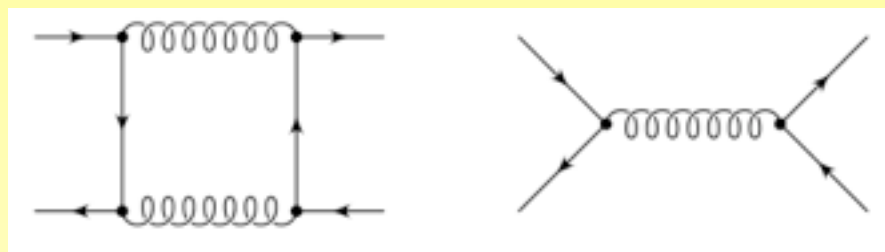


arXiv:1104.5194

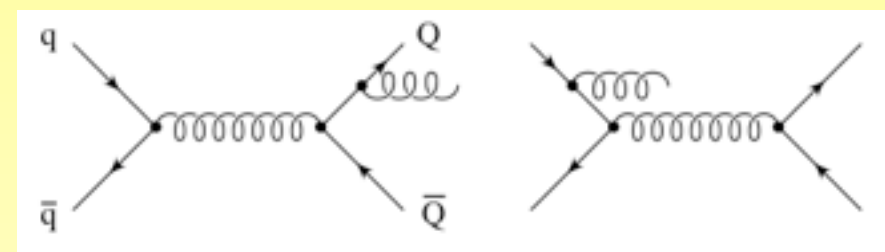
Still statistically limited, close to 3σ sensitivity

Top-Antitop Charge Asymmetry

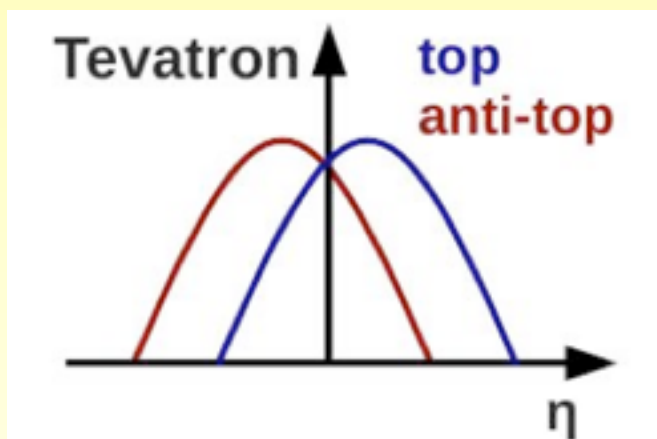
- At NLO, QCD predicts an asymmetry for $t\bar{t}$ produced via $q\bar{q}$ initial state
 - the top quark is predicted to be emitted preferably in the direction of the incoming quark
 - the exchange of new particles like Z' or axigluon could modify it



positive asymmetry



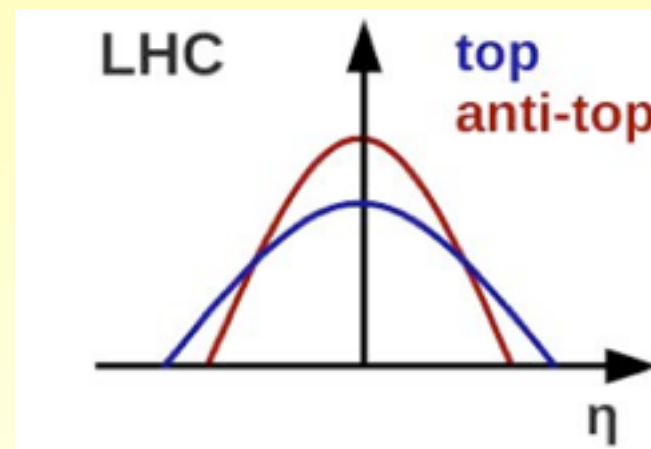
negative asymmetry



forward-backward asymmetry

$$A^{t\bar{t}} = \frac{N(\Delta y > 0) - N(\Delta y < 0)}{N(\Delta y > 0) + N(\Delta y < 0)}$$

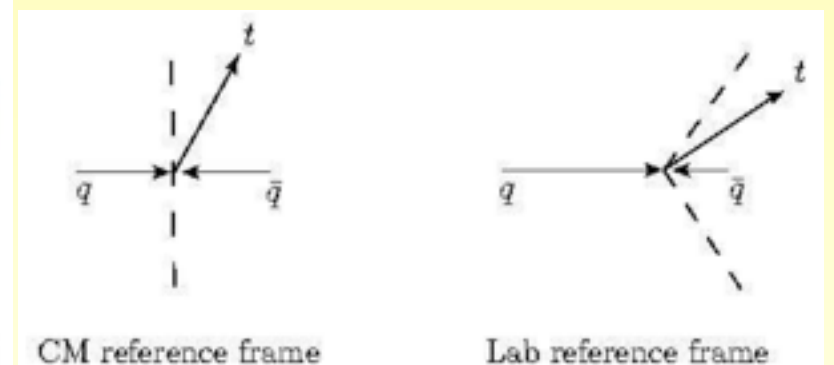
$$\Delta y = y_t - y_{\bar{t}}$$



central-forward asymmetry

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

$$\Delta|Y| = |Y_t| - |Y_{\bar{t}}|$$



CM reference frame

Lab reference frame

smaller at LHC since
low $q\bar{q}$ fraction

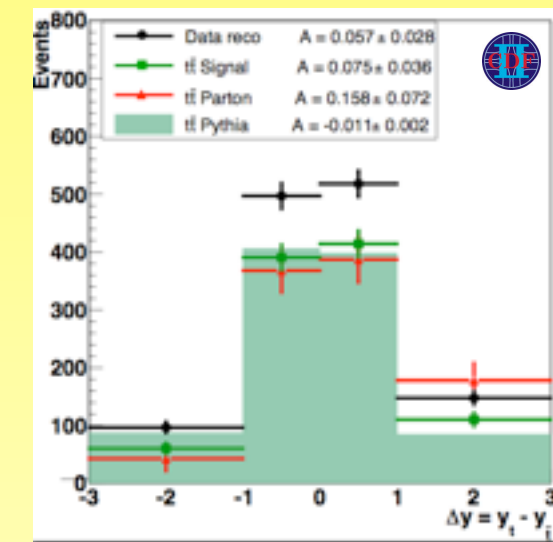
Tevatron Top Charge Asymmetry Results

- CDF measurements

ljets, PRD83, 112003 (2011)

$A_{t\bar{t}}$	ljets	ljets ($M_{t\bar{t}} \geq 450$ GeV)	dilepton
unfolded data	0.158 ± 0.074	0.475 ± 0.114	0.42 ± 0.16
SM prediction (MCFM)	0.058 ± 0.009	0.088 ± 0.013	0.06 ± 0.01

3.4 σ difference



- D0 ljets measurement

- unfold the reconstructed distribution to correct for acceptance and detector effects

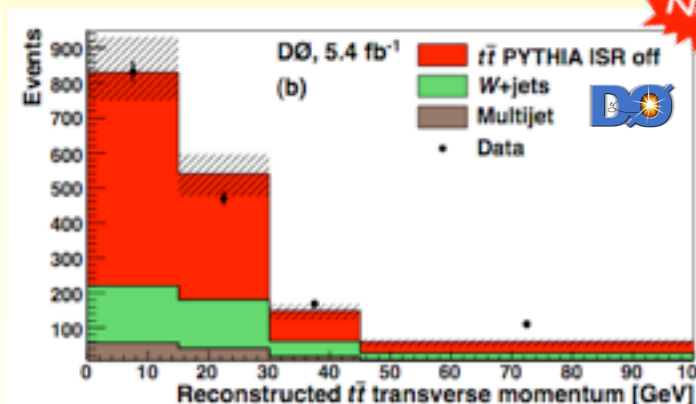
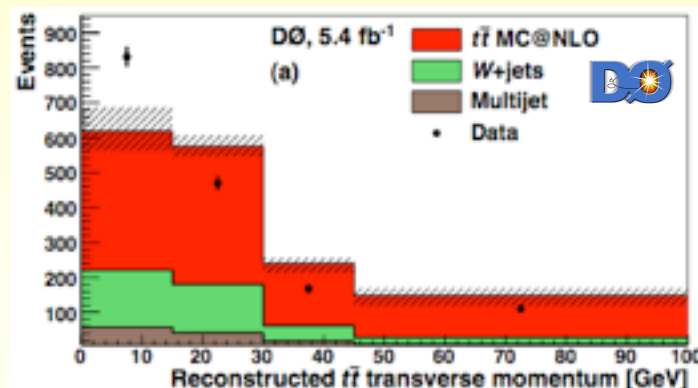
	A_{FB} (%)	
	Reconstruction level	Production level
Data	9.2 ± 3.7	19.6 ± 6.5
MC@NLO	2.4 ± 0.7	5.0 ± 0.1

$\sim 2.4 \sigma$

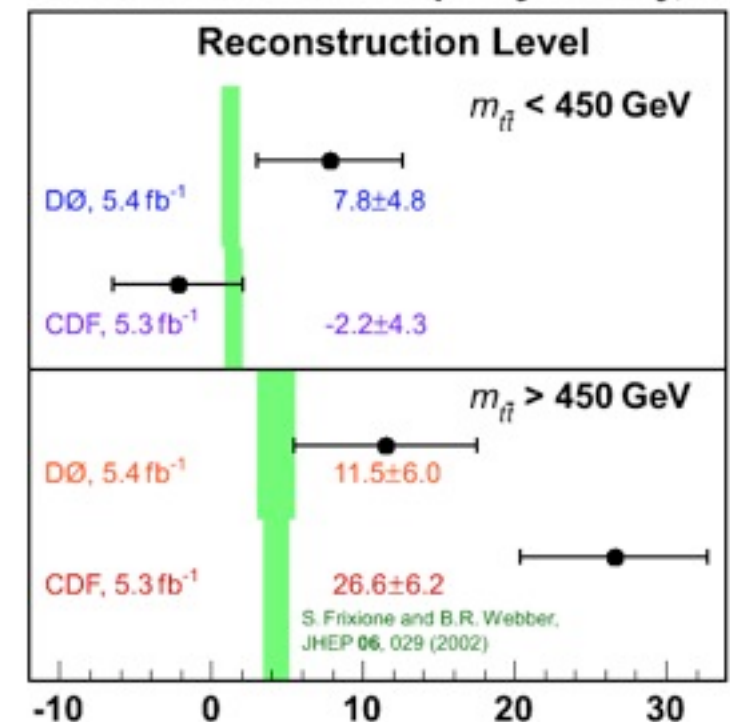
$$A_{FB}^l = \frac{N(q_l y_l > 0) - N(q_l y_l < 0)}{N(q_l y_l > 0) + N(q_l y_l < 0)}$$

	A_{FB}^l (%)	
	Reconstruction level	Production level
Data	14.2 ± 3.8	15.2 ± 4.0
MC@NLO	0.8 ± 0.6	2.1 ± 0.1

$> 3 \sigma$



Forward-Backward Top Asymmetry, %



Statistically limited measurements, need better understanding of the predictions

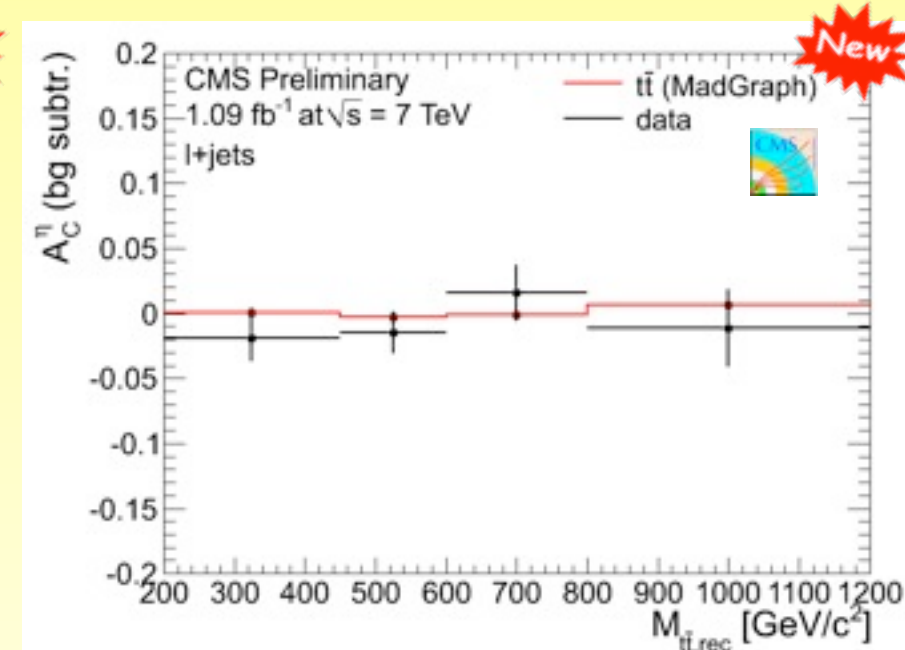
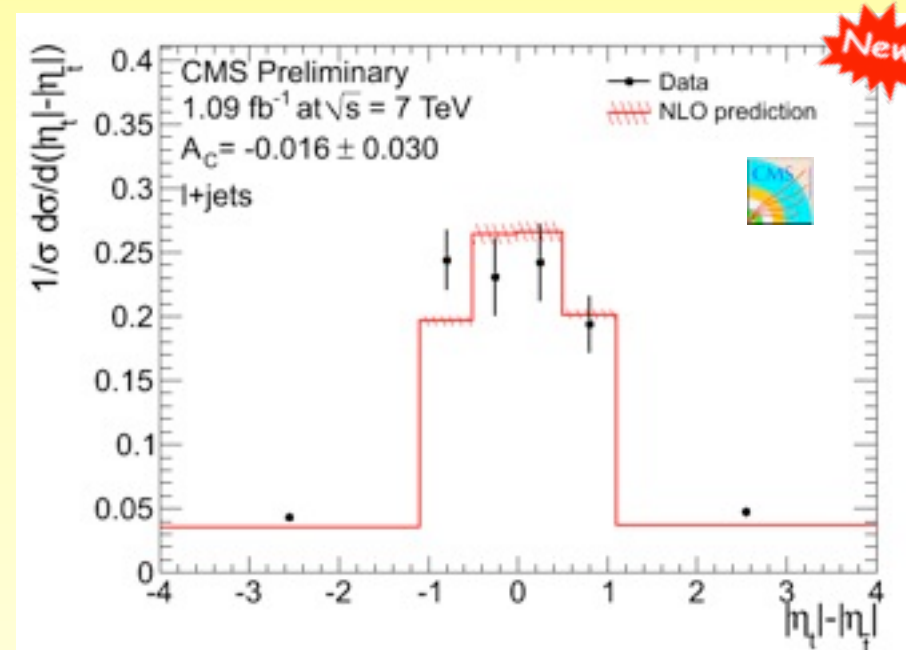
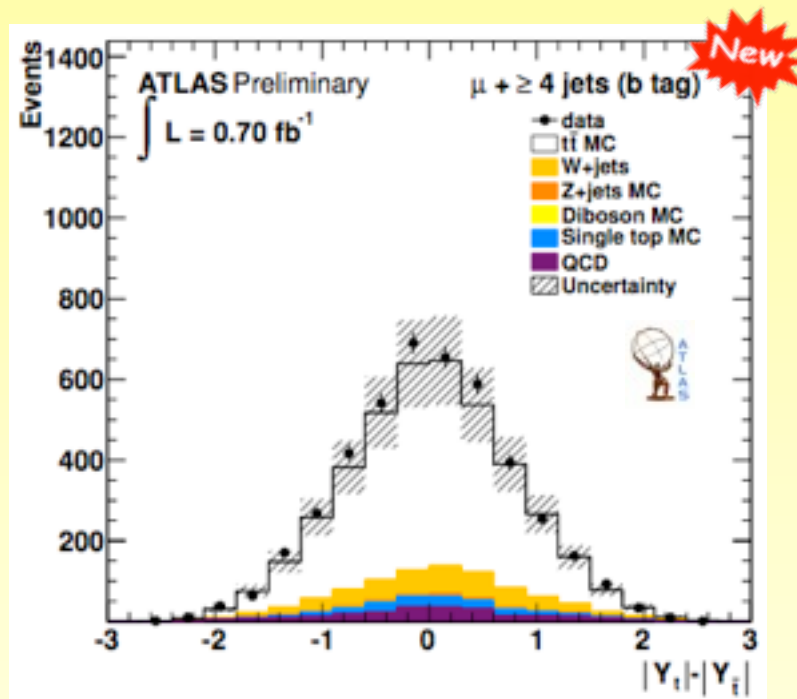
LHC Top Charge Asymmetry Results

- different observables

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

- **Atlas:** $\Delta^y = |y_t| - |y_{\bar{t}}|$

- **CMS:** $\Delta^\eta = |\eta_t| - |\eta_{\bar{t}}|$ $\Delta^{y^2} = (y_t - y_{\bar{t}})(y_t + y_{\bar{t}})$



	unfolded data	SM prediction
Atlas: A_C^y (0.7 fb^{-1})	$-0.024 \pm 0.016 \text{ (stat)} \pm 0.023 \text{ (syst)}$	0.006 (MC@NLO)
CMS: A_C^η (1.1 fb^{-1})	$-0.016 \pm 0.030 \text{ (stat)}^{+0.010}_{-0.019} \text{ (syst)}$	0.0130

Currently no deviation from the predictions

Summary and Conclusion

We are looking forward for exciting discoveries in the top quark sector

Property	Measurement	SM Prediction	Luminosity (fb ⁻¹)
$\sigma_{t\bar{t}}$ (for $M_t = 172.5$ GeV)	$p\bar{p} \rightarrow t\bar{t}$ CDF: $7.5 \pm 0.31(\text{stat}) \pm 0.34(\text{syst}) \pm 0.15(\text{theory})$ pb D0: $7.56^{+0.63}_{-0.56}$ (stat + syst + lumi) pb	$7.46^{+0.48}_{-0.67}$ pb	up to 4.6 5.6
	$pp \rightarrow t\bar{t}$ Atlas: $180 \pm 9(\text{stat}) \pm 15(\text{syst}) \pm 6(\text{lumi})$ pb CMS: $158 \pm 10(\text{uncor.}) \pm 15(\text{cor.}) \pm 6(\text{lumi})$ pb	$164.6^{+11.4}_{-15.7}$ pb	up to 0.7 0.036
σ_{tbq} (for $M_t = 172.5$ GeV)	$p\bar{p} \rightarrow t\bar{t}$ CDF: 0.8 ± 0.4 pb ($M_t = 175$ GeV) D0: 2.90 ± 0.59 pb	2.26 ± 0.12 pb	3.2 5.4
	$pp \rightarrow t\bar{t}$ Atlas: 90^{+32}_{-22} pb CMS: $83.6 \pm 29.8(\text{stat} + \text{syst}) \pm 3.3(\text{lumi})$ pb	$64.6^{+3.3}_{-2.6}$ pb	0.7 0.035
σ_{tb} (for $M_t = 172.5$ GeV)	$p\bar{p} \rightarrow t\bar{t}$ CDF: $1.8^{+0.7}_{-0.5}$ pb ($M_t = 175$ GeV) D0: $0.68^{+0.38}_{-0.35}$ pb	1.04 ± 0.04 pb	3.2 5.4
σ_{Wt} (for $M_t = 172.5$ GeV)	$pp \rightarrow t\bar{t}$ Atlas: < 39.1 pb	15.7 ± 1.4 pb	0.7
$ V_{tb} $	CDF: $ V_{tb} = 0.91 \pm 0.11(\text{stat} + \text{sys}) \pm 0.07(\text{theory})$ D0: $ V_{tb} = 1.02^{+0.10}_{-0.11}$	1	3.2 5.4
$R = B(t \rightarrow Wb)/B(t \rightarrow Wq)$	CDF: > 0.61 @ 95% CL D0: 0.90 ± 0.04	1	0.2 5.4
$\sigma(gg \rightarrow t\bar{t})/\sigma(p\bar{p} \rightarrow t\bar{t})$	$p\bar{p} \rightarrow t\bar{t}$ CDF: $0.07^{+0.15}_{-0.07}$	0.18	1
M_t	Tev: 173.2 ± 0.9 GeV	-	up to 5.8
	Atlas: 169.3 ± 6.3 GeV	-	0.035
	CMS: 173.4 ± 3.3 GeV	-	0.036
$M_t - M_{\bar{t}}$	CDF: $-3.3 \pm 1.4(\text{stat}) \pm 1.0(\text{syst})$ GeV D0: $0.8 \pm 1.8(\text{stat}) \pm 0.5(\text{syst})$ GeV	0	5.6 3.6
W helicity fraction	Tev: $f_0 = 0.732 \pm 0.063(\text{stat}) \pm 0.052(\text{syst})$	0.7	up to 5.4
	Atlas: $f_0 = 0.59 \pm 0.10(\text{stat}) \pm 0.07(\text{syst})$	0.7	0.035
Charge	CDF: $-4/3$ excluded @ 95% CL D0: $4/3$ excluded @ 92% CL	$2/3$	5.6 0.37
Γ_t	CDF: < 7.6 GeV @ 95% CL D0: $1.99^{+0.69}_{-0.55}$ GeV	1.26 GeV	4.3 up to 2.3
spin correlation	C_{beam} CDF: $0.72 \pm 0.64(\text{stat}) \pm 0.26(\text{syst})$ D0: $0.57 \pm 0.31(\text{stat} + \text{sys})$	$0.777^{+0.027}_{-0.042}$	5.3 5.4
Charge asymmetry	$p\bar{p} \rightarrow t\bar{t}$ CDF: 0.158 ± 0.074 D0: 0.196 ± 0.065	0.06	5.3 5.4
	$pp \rightarrow t\bar{t}$ Atlas: $A_C^y = -0.024 \pm 0.016(\text{stat}) \pm 0.023(\text{syst})$	0.006	0.7
	CMS: $A_C^\eta = -0.016 \pm 0.030(\text{stat})^{+0.010}_{-0.019}(\text{syst})$	0.013	1.1

Backup

The Detectors

