

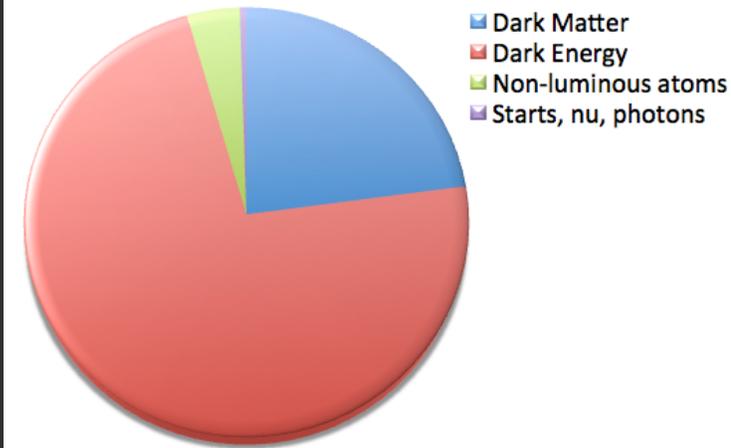
# The Top Quark

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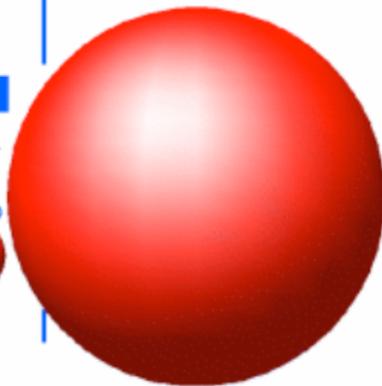
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# The Standard Model vs. our Universe

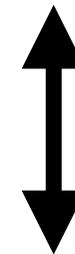


There are indications that New particles, Forces, or a new Space-Time structure are waiting to be uncovered...

LEPTONS		
Electron Neutrino Mass -0	Muon Neutrino -0	Tau Neutrino -0
Electron .511	Muon 105.7	Tau 1 777
QUARKS		
Up Mass: 5	Charm 1 500	Top -180 000
Down 8	Strange 160	Bottom 4 250



New Physics at  $O(\text{TeV})$



Dynamics of the heaviest particle:  
the top quark



# The Top quark

After 1977 we had:

Quarks	u	c	
	d	s	b
Leptons	e	$\mu$	$\tau$
	$\nu_e$	$\nu_\mu$	$\nu_\tau$

Obviously one  
missing 'top' t

Also good theoretical  
reasons for complete  
'doublets'.

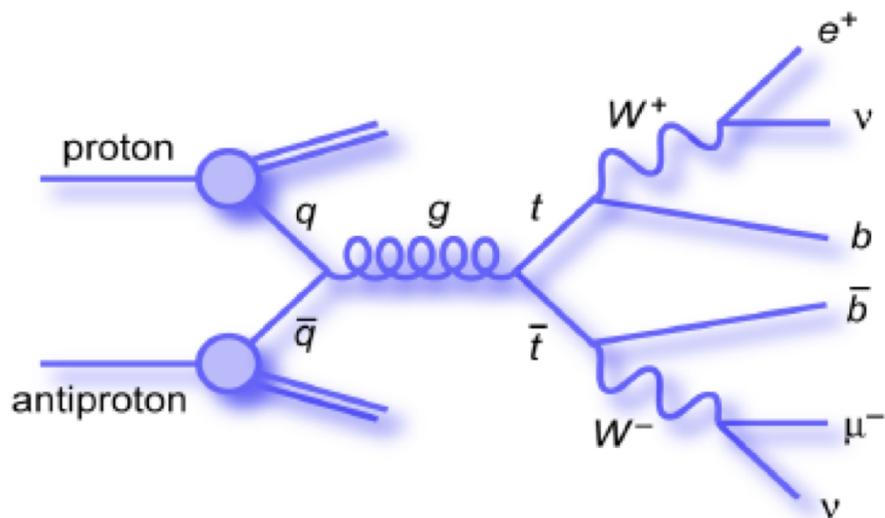
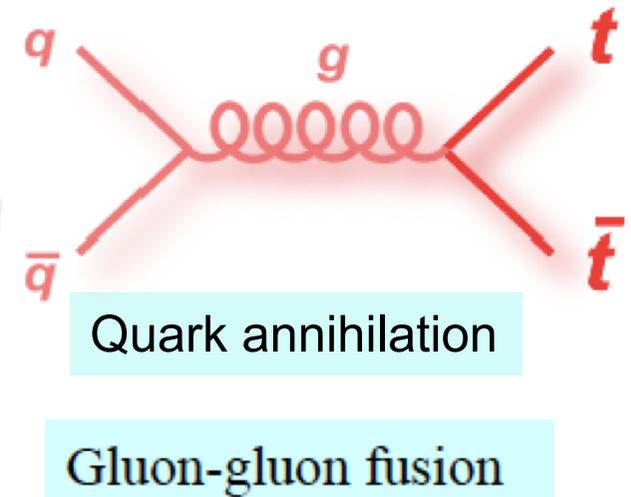
Searched in vain at  $e^+e^-$  machines, PETRA, PEP, LEP etc - ruling out any new quarks at their energies  $\rightarrow$  top mass  $> 45 \text{ GeV}/c^2$  (half LEP1 energy).



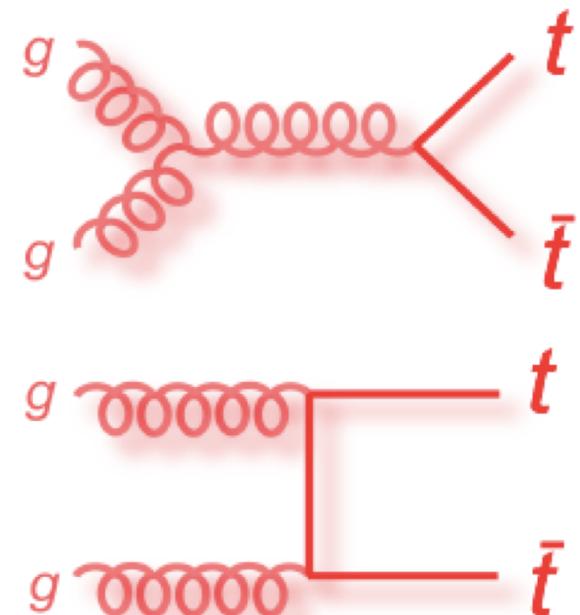
# The Top quark discovery

The sixth quark was found in 1994 at Fermilab. The first evidence came from the CDF experiment in proton/antiproton collisions at the energy of 1.8 TeV.

Typical Feynman diagrams for production



Topology of a top event

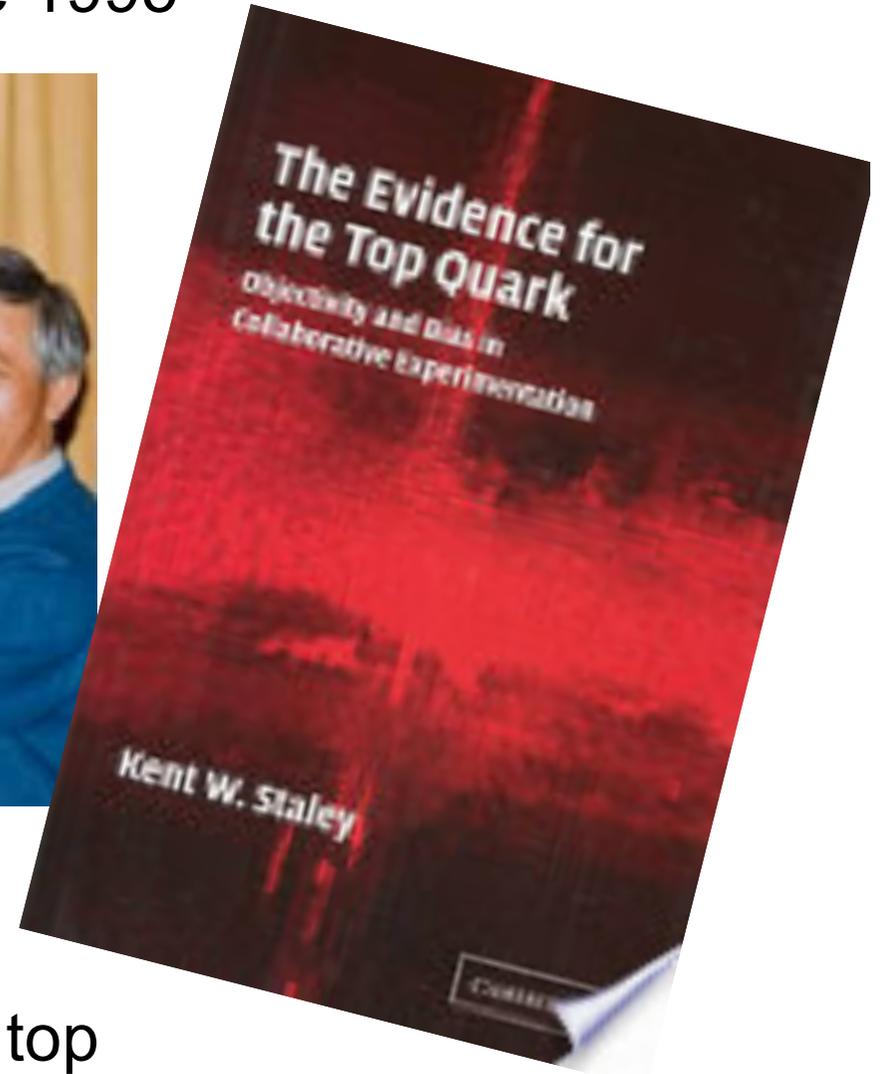
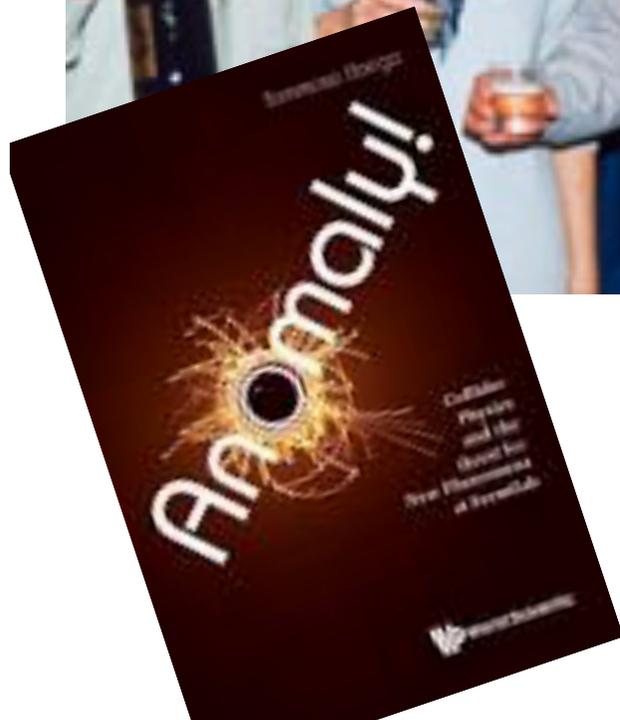




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# Moriond Conference

France 1995



The full story of top  
discovery in two books!



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# Virgin Islands Summer School

US 1994



# Brief introduction to top quarks

## Three Generations of Matter (Fermions)

	I	II	III	
mass →	2.4 MeV	1.27 GeV	171.2 GeV	0
charge →	$\frac{2}{3}$	$\frac{2}{3}$	$\frac{2}{3}$	0
spin →	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	1
name →	<b>u</b> up	<b>c</b> charm	<b>t</b> top	<b>γ</b> photon
Quarks	4.8 MeV	104 MeV	4.2 GeV	0
	$-\frac{1}{3}$	$-\frac{1}{3}$	$-\frac{1}{3}$	0
	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	1
	<b>d</b> down	<b>s</b> strange	<b>b</b> bottom	<b>g</b> gluon
<2.2 eV	<0.17 MeV	<15.5 MeV	91.2 GeV	
0	0	0	0	
$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	
<b>ν<sub>e</sub></b> electron neutrino	<b>ν<sub>μ</sub></b> muon neutrino	<b>ν<sub>τ</sub></b> tau neutrino	<b>Z<sup>0</sup></b> weak force	
0.511 MeV	105.7 MeV	1.777 GeV	80.4 GeV	
-1	-1	-1	$\pm 1$	
$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	
<b>e</b> electron	<b>μ</b> muon	<b>τ</b> tau	<b>W<sup>±</sup></b> weak force	

## Top Quark:

- ▶ Particle type: weak isospin partner of the bottom quark
- ▶ Spin:  $+1/2$
- ▶ Mass: approximately  $173 \text{ GeV}/c^2$
- ▶ Width:  $\sim 1.5 \text{ GeV}/c^2$  or  $\sim 10^{-24} \text{ s}$
- ▶ Couplings: Strong (color triplet), EM ( $Q=+2e/3$ ), Weak ( $I_{3,L}=+1/2$ )
- ▶ Decay: almost exclusively to  $W+b$

# Top quark discovery: 1995

The search for top lasted almost two decades. Its heavy mass delayed discovery.

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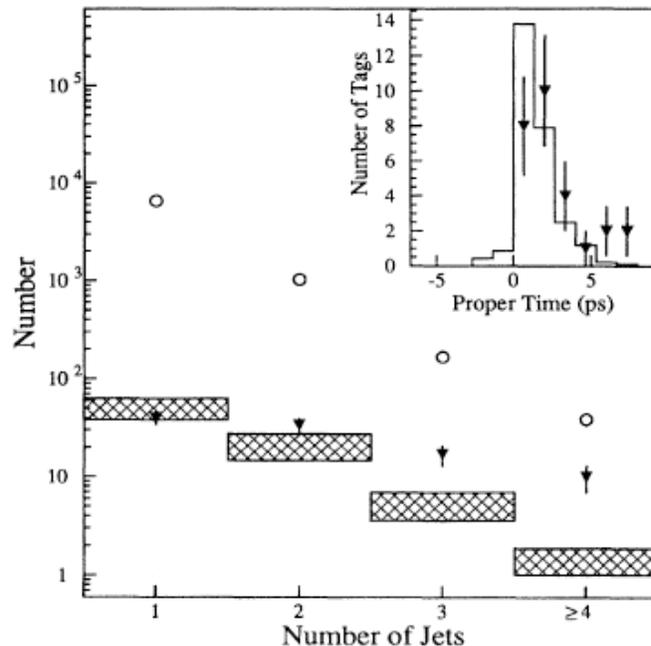


FIG. 1. Number of events before SVX tagging (circles), number of tags observed (triangles), and expected number of background tags (hatched) versus jet multiplicity. Based on the excess number of tags in events with  $\geq 3$  jets, we expect an additional 0.5 and 5 tags from  $t\bar{t}$  decay in the 1- and 2-jet bins, respectively. The inset shows the secondary vertex proper time distribution for the 27 tagged jets in the  $W^+ \geq 3$ -jet data (triangles) compared to the expectation for  $b$  quark jets from  $t\bar{t}$  decay.

April 1994: "Evidence for top production at the Tevatron" CDF

PRD 50, 2966 (1994)...  $\mathcal{L} = 19 \text{ pb}^{-1}$

150 pages .....  $2.8 \sigma$  excess

$M_{\text{top}} = 174 (16) \text{ GeV}$  &  $\sigma(t\bar{t}) = 14 (6) \text{ pb}$

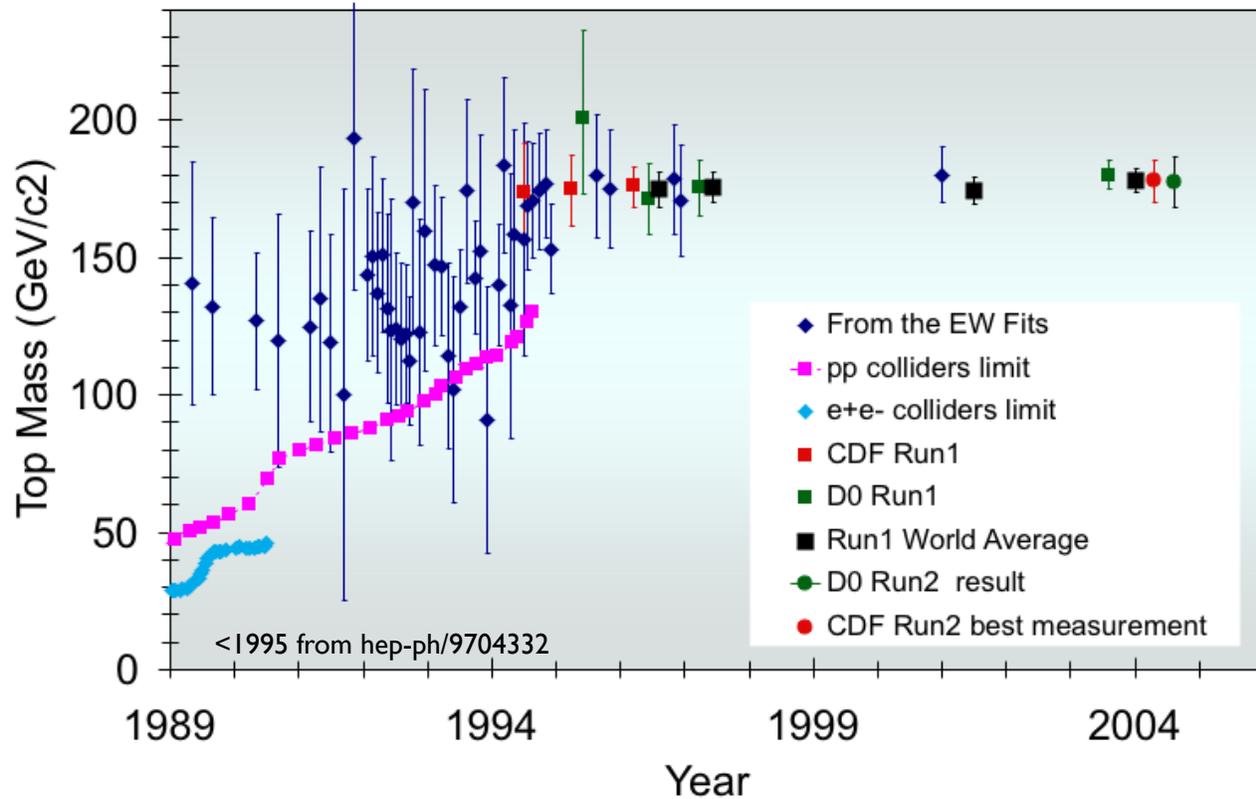
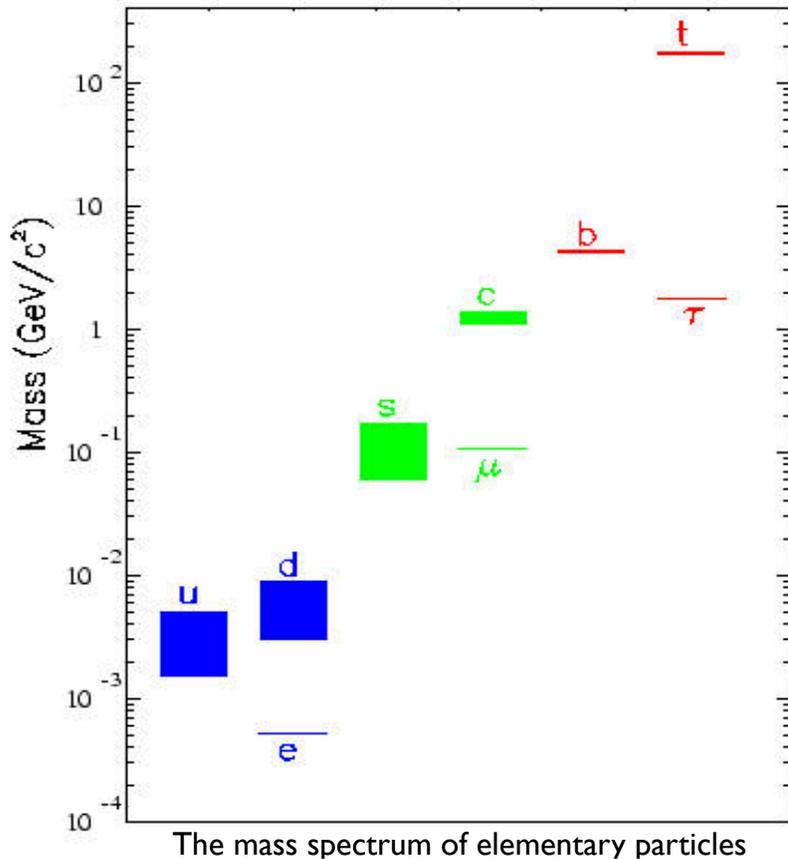
March 1995: CDF and D0 announce simultaneously the discovery of the Top Quark

CDF: PRL 74, 2626 (1995) ....  $67 \text{ pb}^{-1}$

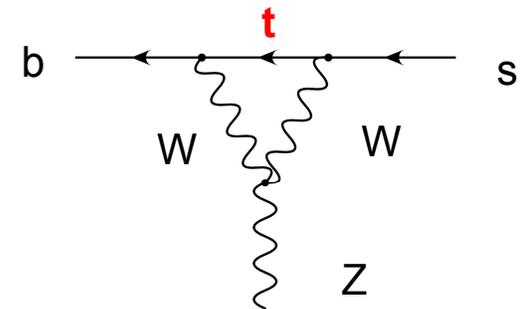
D0: PRL 74, 2632 (1995)....  $50 \text{ pb}^{-1}$

Experimental top physics begins

# Top in the standard model: mass

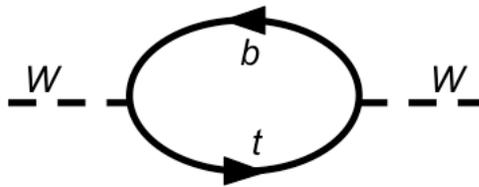


A free parameter... but experimental evidence suggested a large-ish top mass before its discovery because of e.g. FCNC in K and B



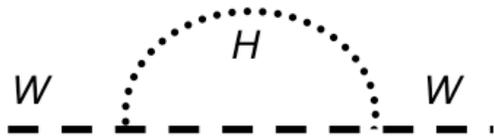
# Top in the standard model: mass

Radiative corrections to the W mass calculation:



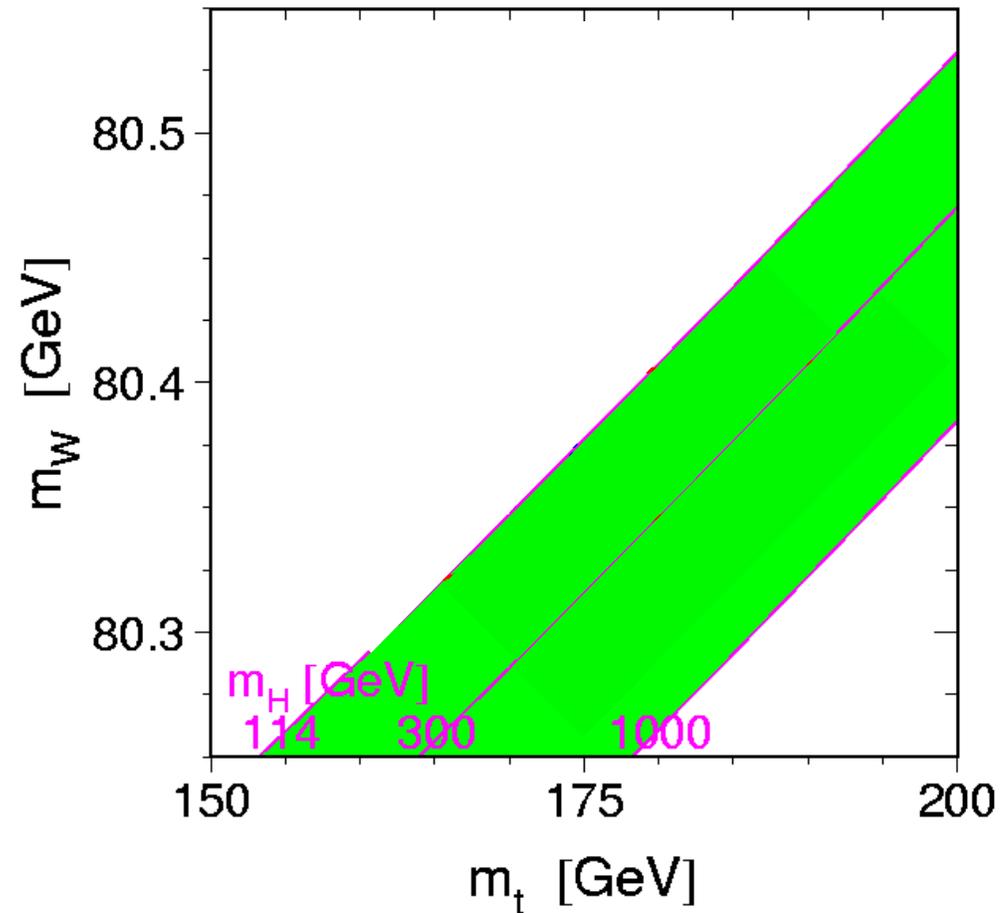
Quadratic in the top mass:

$$\Delta M_W \propto M_t^2$$



Logarithmic in the Higgs mass:

$$\Delta M_W \propto \ln(M_H)$$



The top mass enters many EW parameters, with sizeable corrections.

# Top in the standard model: lifetime

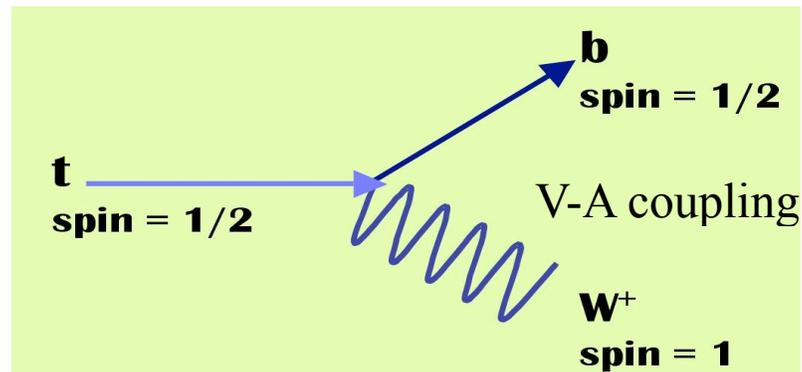
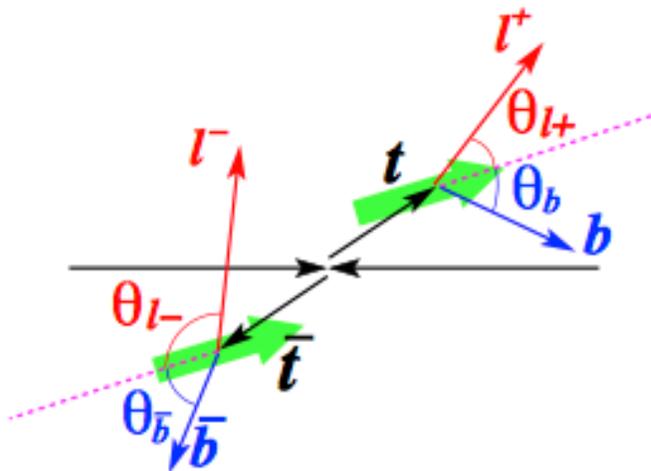
The large width of the top quark implies a very short decay time:

$$\Gamma_t \approx 1.5 \text{ GeV} \quad \text{corresponding to} \quad \tau \approx 5 \cdot 10^{-25} \text{ s}$$

This is one order of magnitude larger than the hadronization scale:

$$\Lambda \approx 0.2 \text{ GeV} \quad \text{or} \quad \tau \approx 10^{-24} \text{ s}$$

top is the only quark which is created and decays as a free quark

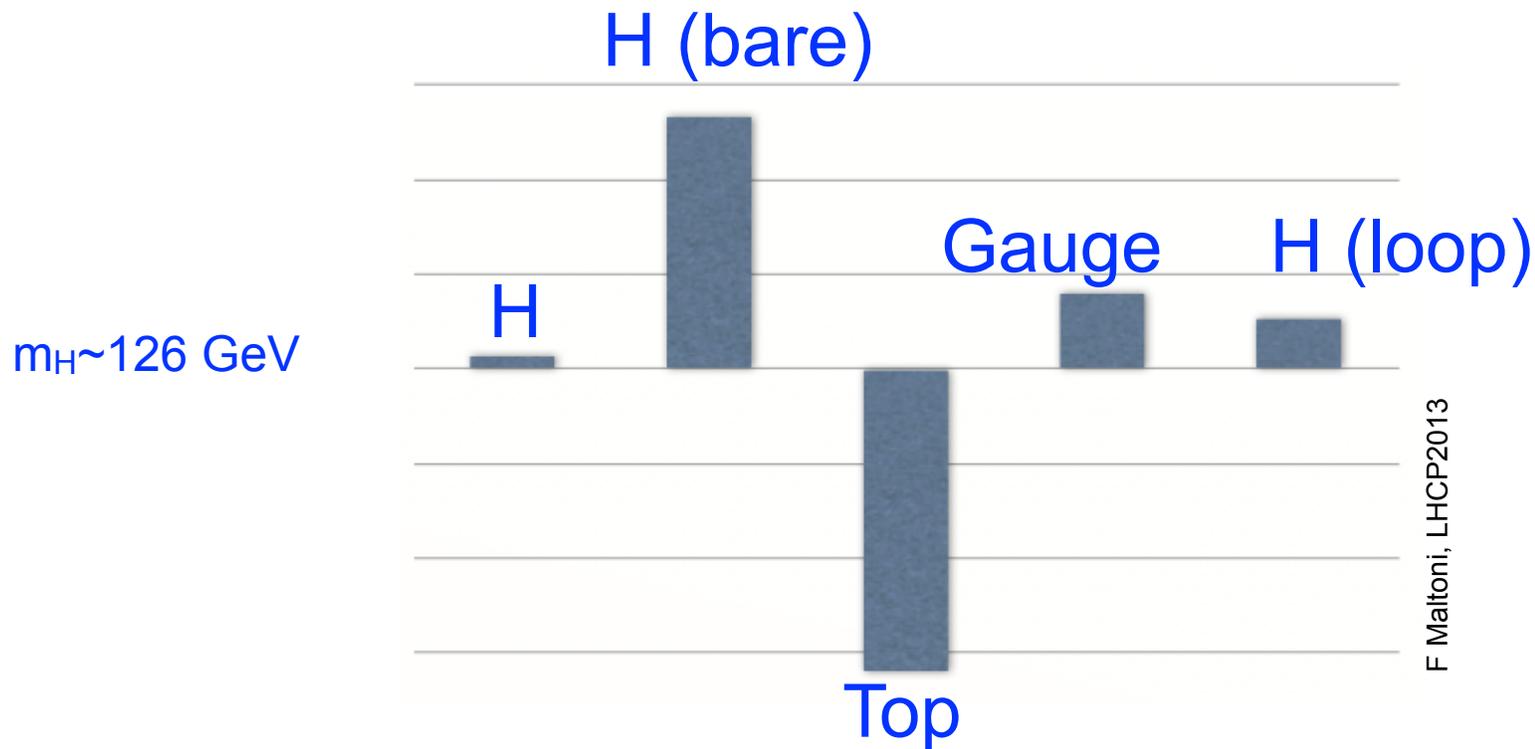


# The Higgs “Naturalness” Problem

Radiative corrections to the Higgs boson mass diverge with the SM cut-off energy ( $\Lambda$ )

$$\delta m_H^2 = \text{[diagram: top loop] + \text{[diagram: W/Z/\gamma loop]} + \text{[diagram: Higgs loop]} \propto \Lambda^2$$

$\Lambda \simeq 10^{19} \text{ GeV} ?$



The large top quark mass ( $173 \text{ GeV}/c^2$ ) gives “un-naturally” large corrections.

# Possible Discoveries: a Revolution

$$\delta m_H^2 = \text{[top loop]} \rightarrow \text{[W/Z/\gamma]} \rightarrow \text{[h loop]} + \text{[NP diagram]}$$

$= \log \Lambda$  or finite       $\Lambda = O(\text{TeV})$

Most Natural theories of physics Beyond the Standard Model (BSM) foresee modifications of the top dynamics at  $O(\text{TeV})$

Models with partners of the top:

new scalars/vectors, possibly strongly coupled with the top.  
e.g. SUSY.

Cancel the divergence

Models with compositeness and strong dynamics:

top bound states, top is not elementary, e.g. Technicolour.

New dynamics at  $\sim \text{TeV}$

New space-time structure:

Extra dimensions. e.g. Kaluza-Klein theories.

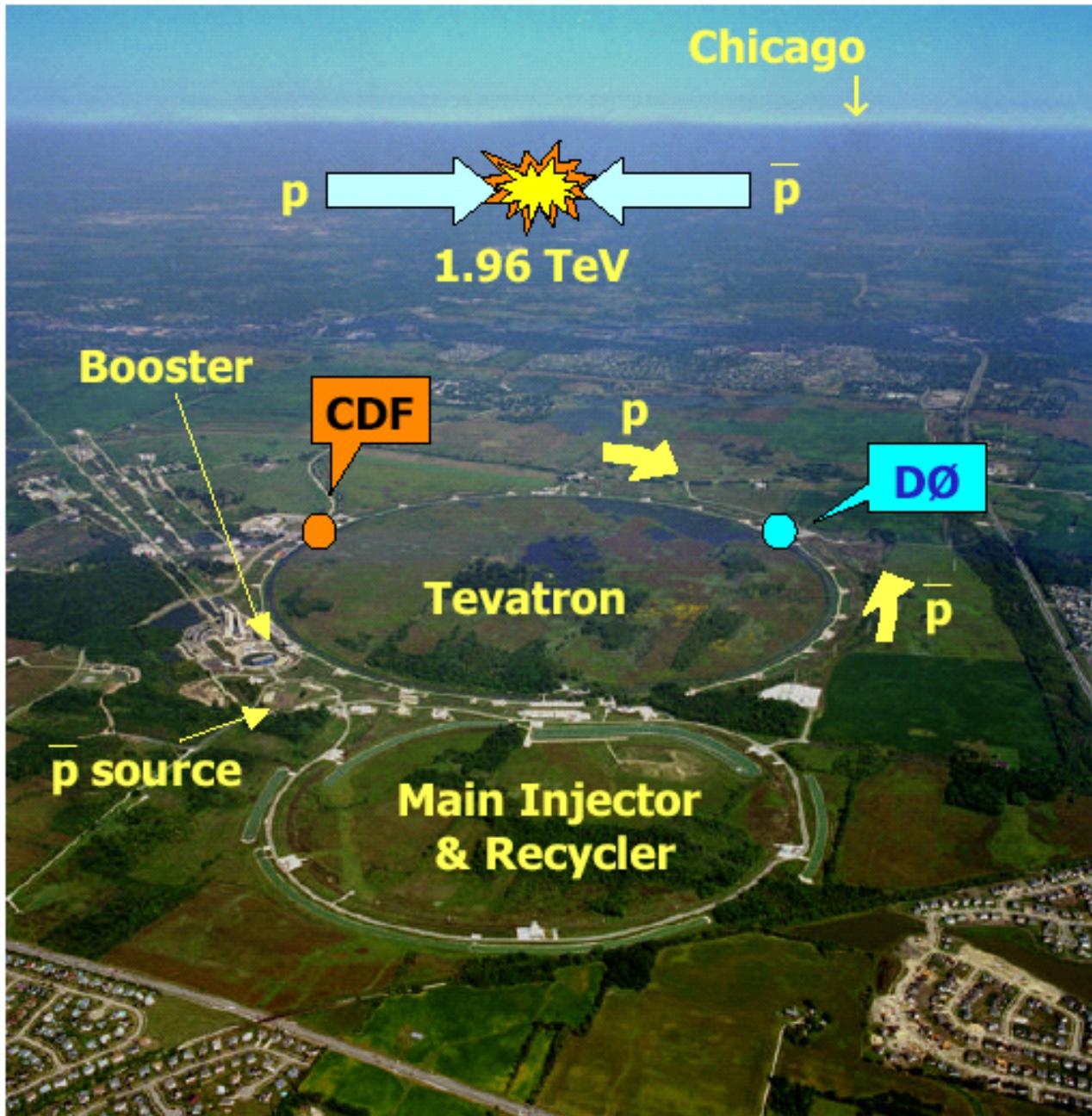
Lower the cut-off  $\Lambda$

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We TALK of top quark physics,

but we're THINKING of physics beyond the  
standard model (BSM)

# The Fermilab Tevatron

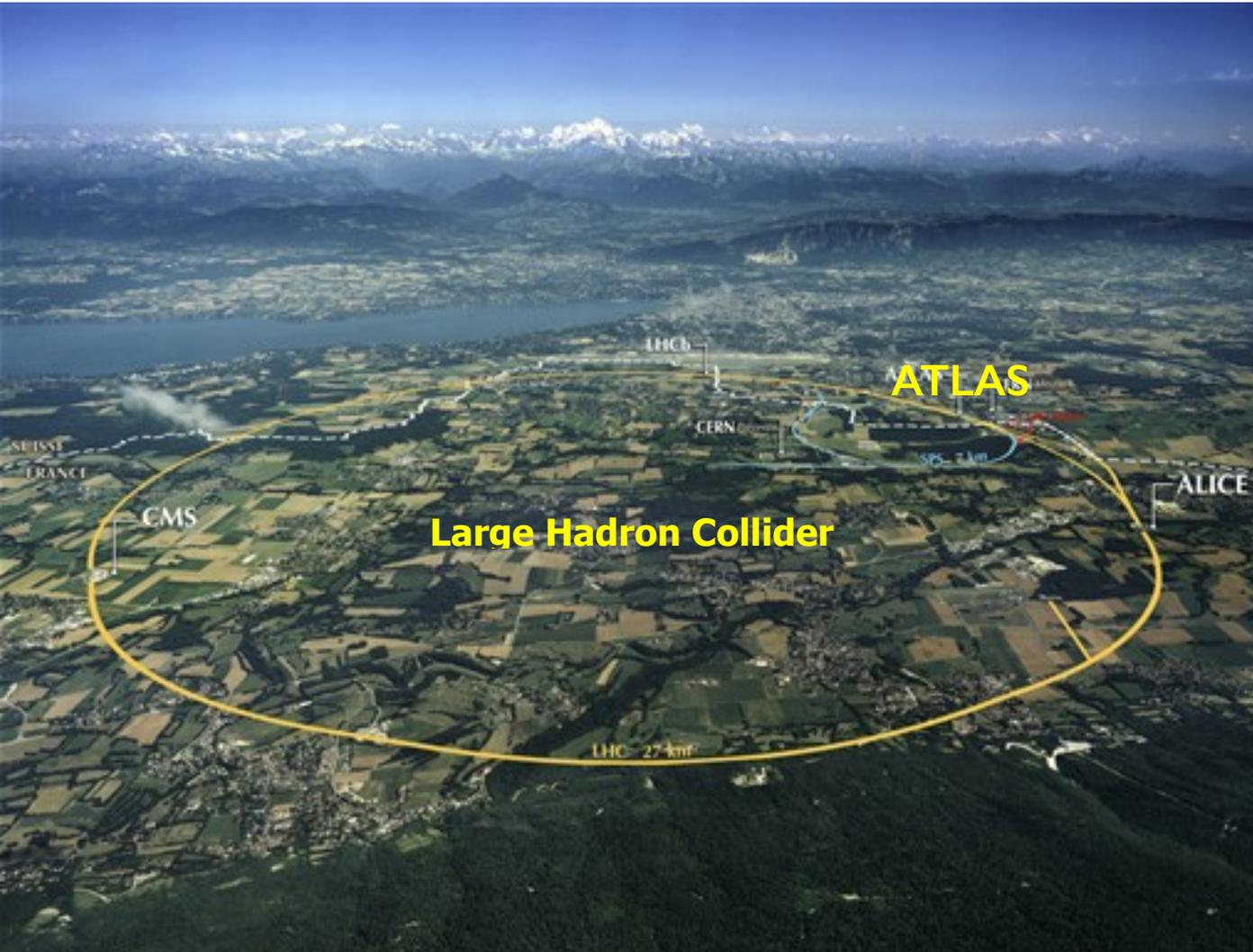


## Protons - Antiprotons

- Run I: 1992-96 ( $\sqrt{s}=1.8$  TeV,  $\sim 110$  pb<sup>-1</sup>)
- Run II: 2000-11 ( $\sqrt{s}=1.96$  TeV,  $\sim 10$  fb<sup>-1</sup>)
- 396 ns bunch spacing
- Peak luminosities:  $3 - 4 \times 10^{32}$  cm<sup>-2</sup>s<sup>-1</sup>

**Ceased operations in 2011**

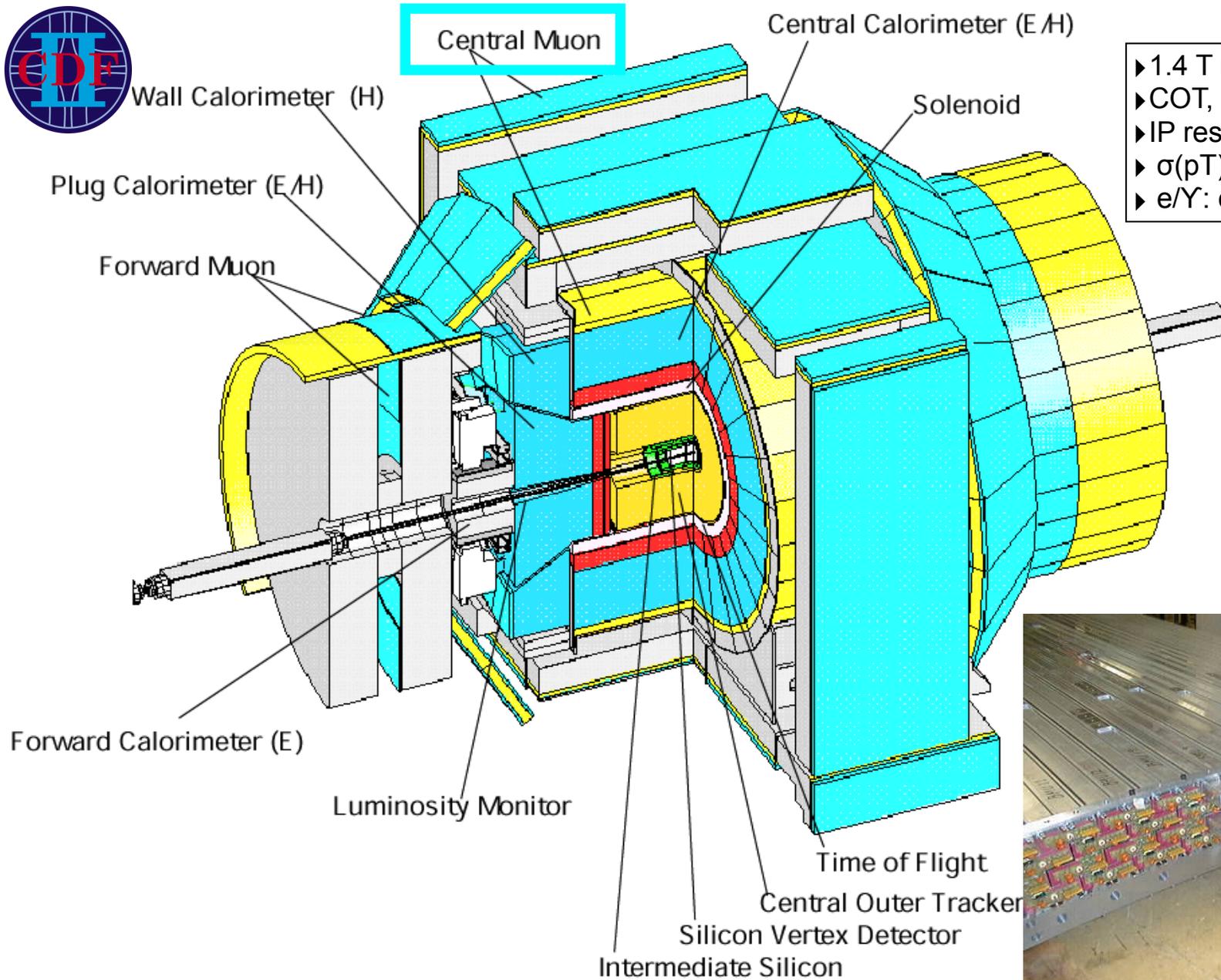
# The Large Hadron Collider



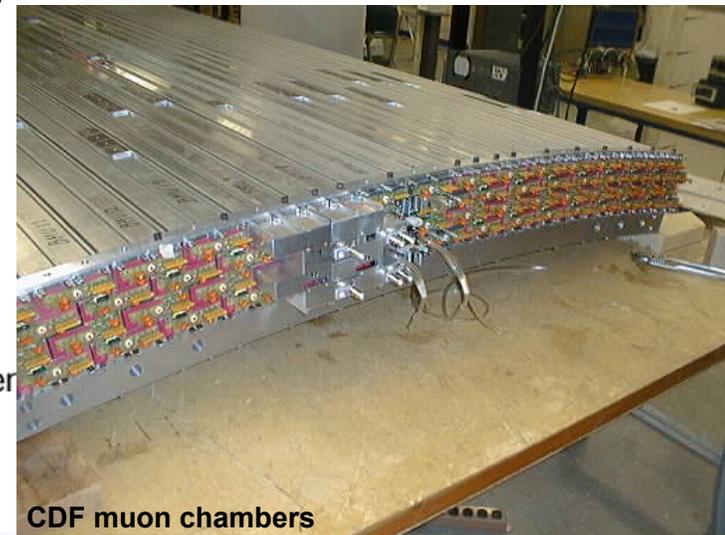
## Protons - Protons

- Run I: 2010-12  $\sqrt{s}=7(8)$  TeV,  $\sim 5$  (20)  $\text{fb}^{-1}$  )
- Run II: **2015-18** ( $\sqrt{s}=13-14$  TeV,  $\sim 75-100$   $\text{fb}^{-1}$  )
- 25/50 ns bunch spacing
- Peak luminosities (<2012):  $\sim 7 \times 10^{33} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$

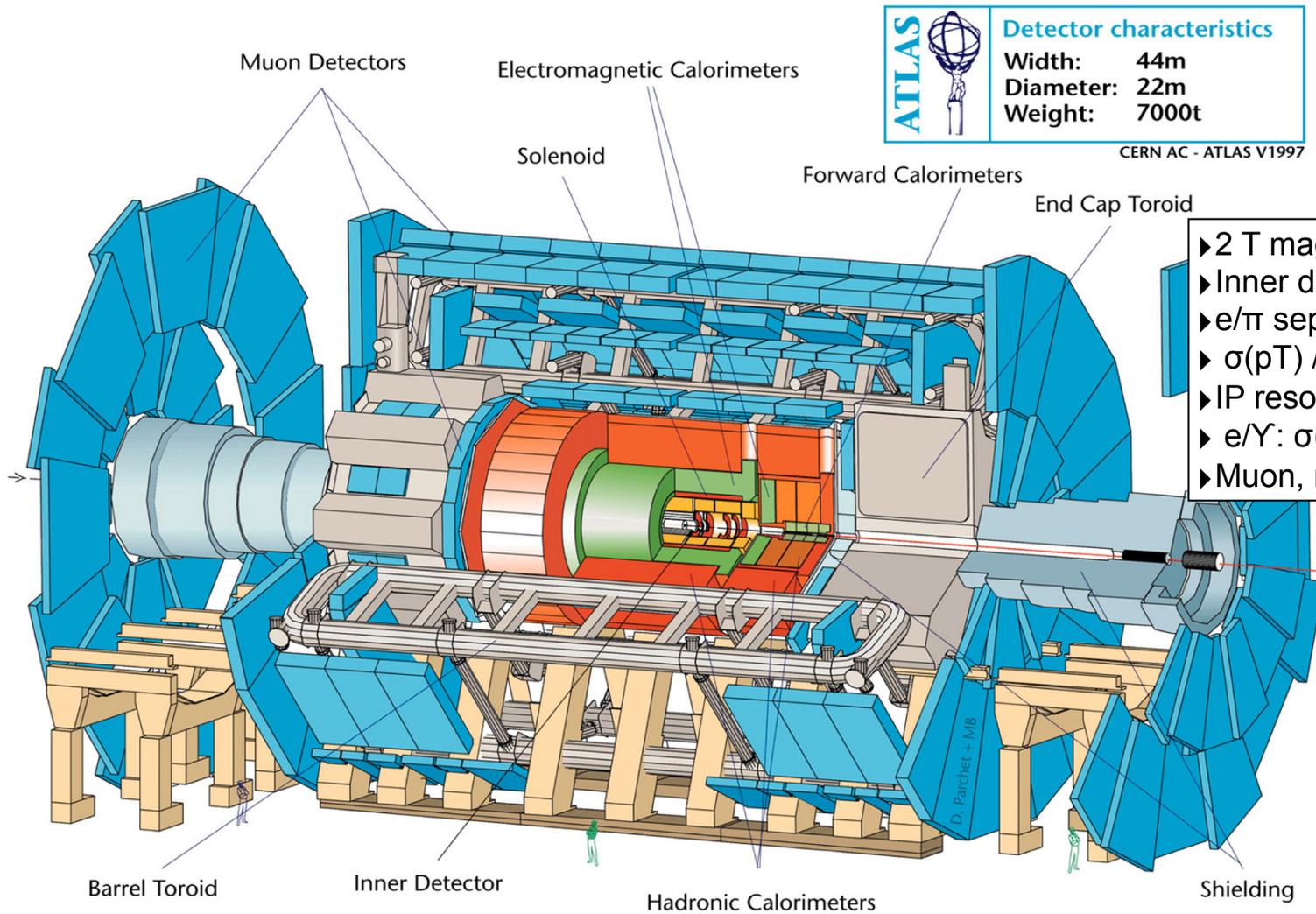
# The CDF Detector at FNAL



- ▶ 1.4 T magnetic field
- ▶ COT, SVX:  $|\eta| < 1$ ,  $|\eta| < 2$
- ▶ IP resolution: 40  $\mu\text{m}$
- ▶  $\sigma(pT) / pT = 0.07\% pT [\text{GeV}/c]^{-1}$
- ▶ e/Y:  $\sigma(E)/E = 13.5\% / \sqrt{E_{T\oplus}} 2\%$

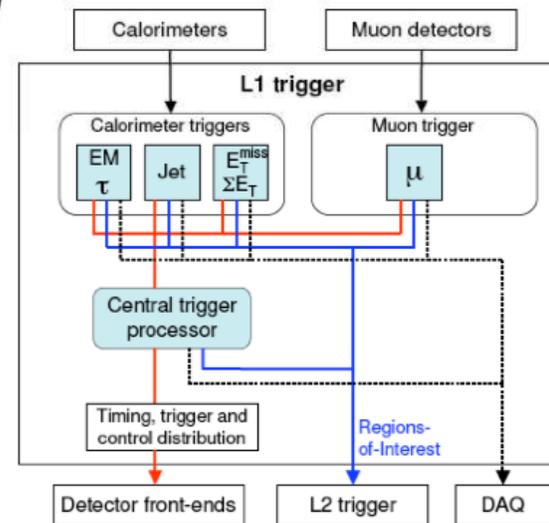


# The ATLAS detector at the LHC



	<b>Detector characteristics</b>	
	<b>Width:</b>	<b>44m</b>
	<b>Diameter:</b>	<b>22m</b>
	<b>Weight:</b>	<b>7000t</b>
<small>CERN AC - ATLAS V1997</small>		

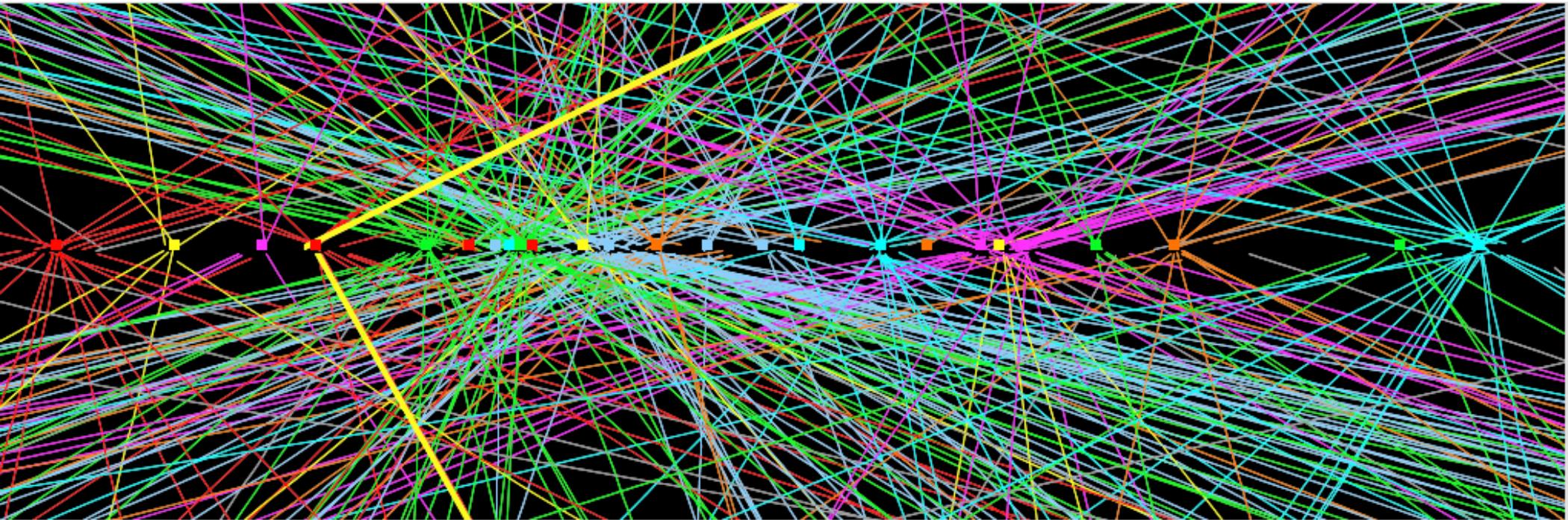
- ▶ 2 T magnetic field for ID
- ▶ Inner detectors  $|\eta| < 2.5$
- ▶  $e/\pi$  separation
- ▶  $\sigma(pT) / pT = 0.038\% pT \oplus 1.5\% [\text{GeV}/c]^{-1}$
- ▶ IP resolution:  $\sim 22\mu\text{m}$
- ▶  $e/\gamma$ :  $\sigma(E)/E = 10\% / \sqrt{E} \oplus 1\%$
- ▶ Muon, resolution  $< 10\%$  up to  $\sim 1 \text{ TeV}$



R Achenbach et al 2008 JINST 3 P03001

# Candidate Z event with 25 pp interactions

ATLAS

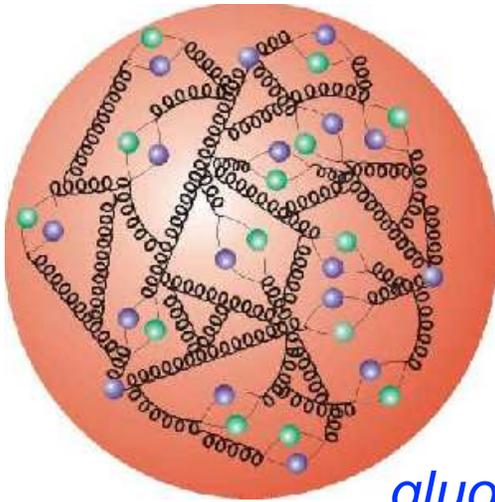




**ATLAS & CMS**

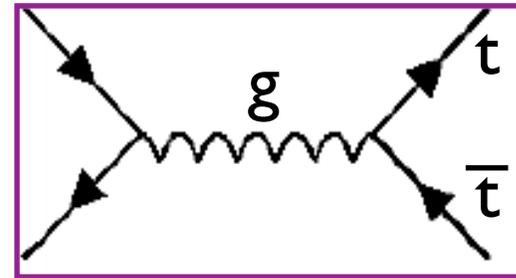
**LHC**

# Pair production of top in hadronic collisions

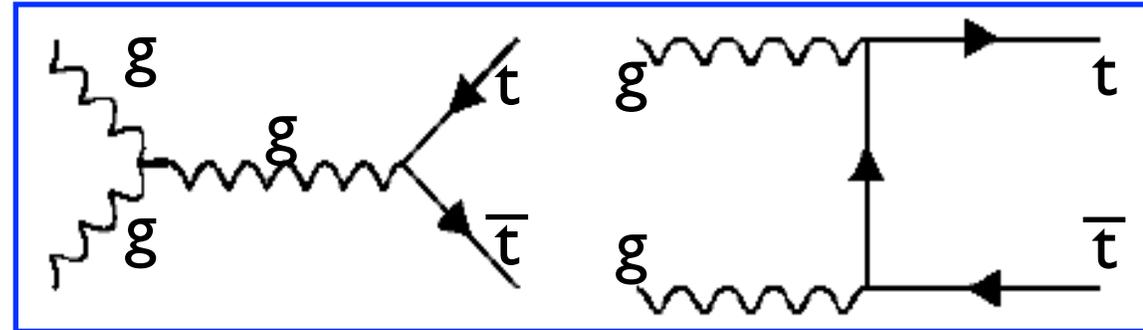


gluon fusion  
(~90% at the LHC)

quark annihilation  
(~85% at the Tevatron)



NOTE: Production through virtual Z and  $\gamma$  are much smaller



## Expected production rates

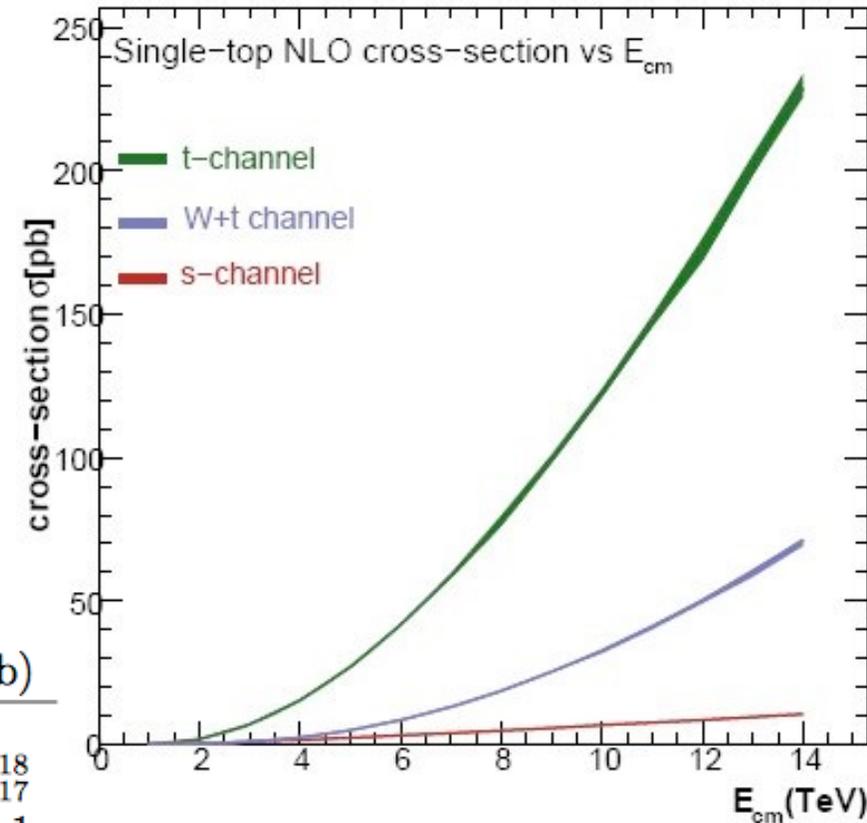
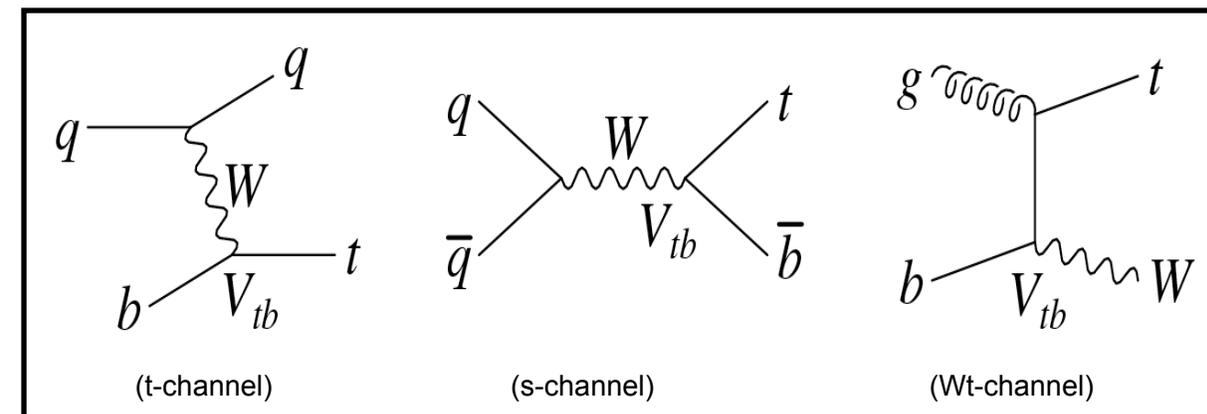
Collider	$\sigma_{\text{tot}}$ [pb]	scales [pb]	pdf [pb]
Tevatron	7.164	+0.110(1.5%) -0.200(2.8%)	+0.169(2.4%) -0.122(1.7%)
LHC 7 TeV	172.0	+4.4(2.6%) -5.8(3.4%)	+4.7(2.7%) -4.8(2.8%)
LHC 8 TeV	245.8	+6.2(2.5%) -8.4(3.4%)	+6.2(2.5%) -6.4(2.6%)
LHC 14 TeV	953.6	+22.7(2.4%) -33.9(3.6%)	+16.2(1.7%) -17.8(1.9%)

- ~70k  $tt$  @ Tevatron
- ~6M  $tt$  @ LHC8
- ~100M/y @ LHC14
- theory precision:  
~3-4%  $\oplus$  3% ( $\Delta m_t$ )

Computed with: Top++ et. al. NNLO+NNLL,  $m_t=173.3$  GeV, arXiv:1303:6524 (2013)

# Single production of top in hadronic collisions

## Single (EWK production):



## Expected production rates

LHC 7 TeV	$\sigma(t)$ (pb)	$\sigma(\bar{t})$ (pb)	$\sigma(t) + \sigma(\bar{t})$ (pb)
<i>t</i> -channel	$43.0^{+1.6}_{-0.2} \pm 0.8$	$22.9 \pm 0.5^{+0.7}_{-0.9}$	$65.9^{+2.1+1.5}_{-0.7-1.7}$
<i>s</i> -channel	$3.14 \pm 0.06^{+0.12}_{-0.10}$	$1.42 \pm 0.01^{+0.06}_{-0.07}$	$4.56 \pm 0.07^{+0.18}_{-0.17}$
<i>tW</i>	$7.8 \pm 0.2^{+0.5}_{-0.6}$	$7.8 \pm 0.2^{+0.5}_{-0.6}$	$15.6 \pm 0.4 \pm 1.1$

Kidonakis, arXiv:1210.7813 [hep-ph] (2012),  $m_t=173 \text{ GeV}/c^2$

( $\leftarrow$ )

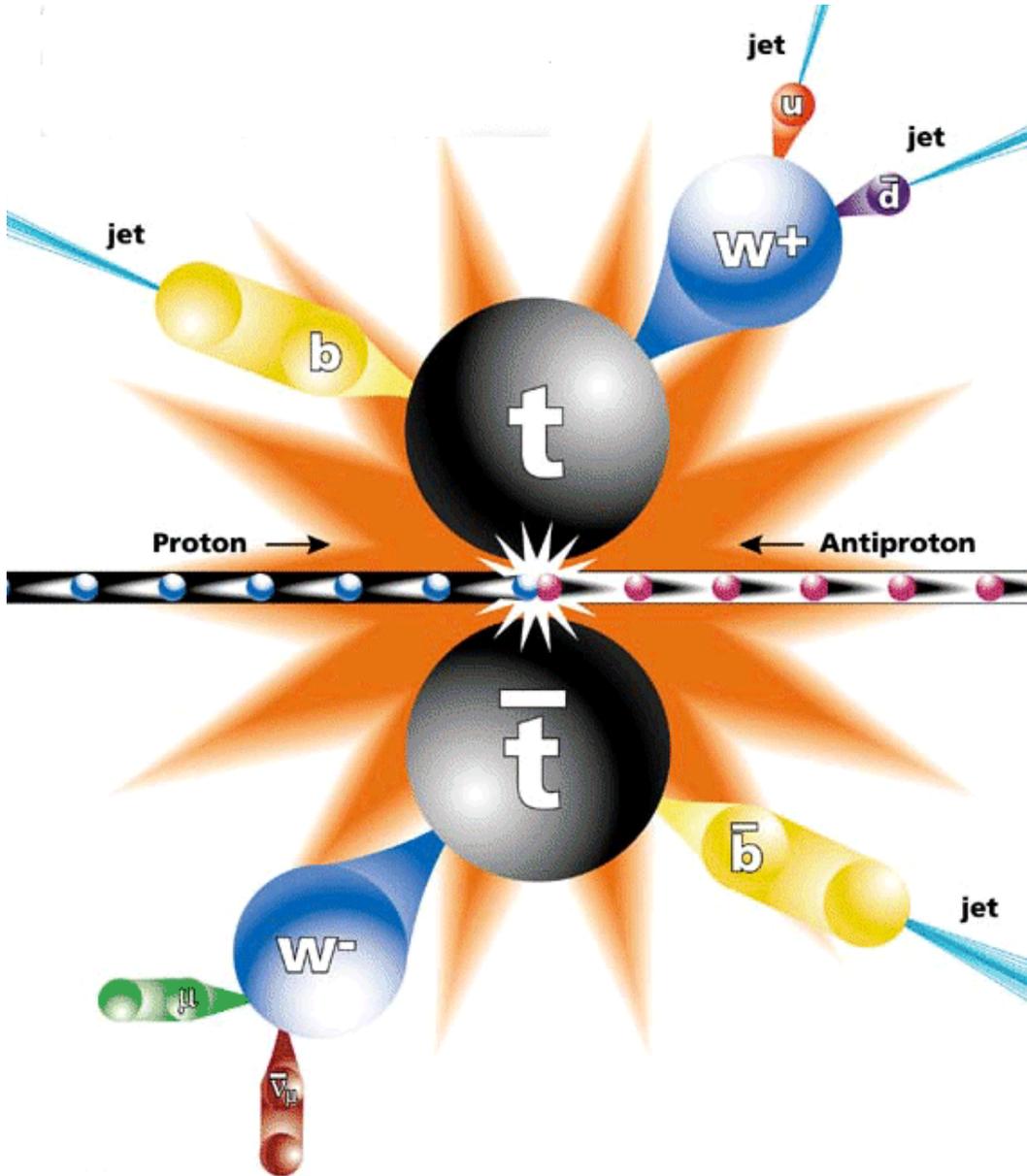
Tevatron	$\sigma$ (pb)
<i>s</i> -ch	$1.05 \pm 0.05^a$
<i>t</i> -ch	$2.08 \pm 0.08^b$
W <i>t</i> -ch	$0.25 \pm 0.03^c$

Kidonakis, arXiv:1001.5034, 1103.2792, 1005.4451 [hep-ph],  $m_t=173 \text{ GeV}/c^2$

Rates  $\sim 70\%$  lower than pair production.

# Top decay and event classification

$|V_{tb}| \sim 1$ , and  $M_t > M_W + M_b \Rightarrow t \rightarrow Wb$  almost exclusively.



**tt event classification:**

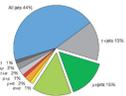
1st W decays to:

jj	TV $\mu\nu$ eV
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2nd W decays to:

eV $\mu\nu$ TV	jj	all hadronic	lepton+jets
	eV $\mu\nu$ TV	lepton+jets	

$Br(W \rightarrow \text{leptons}) = 1/3$   
 $Br(W \rightarrow \text{quarks}) = 2/3$

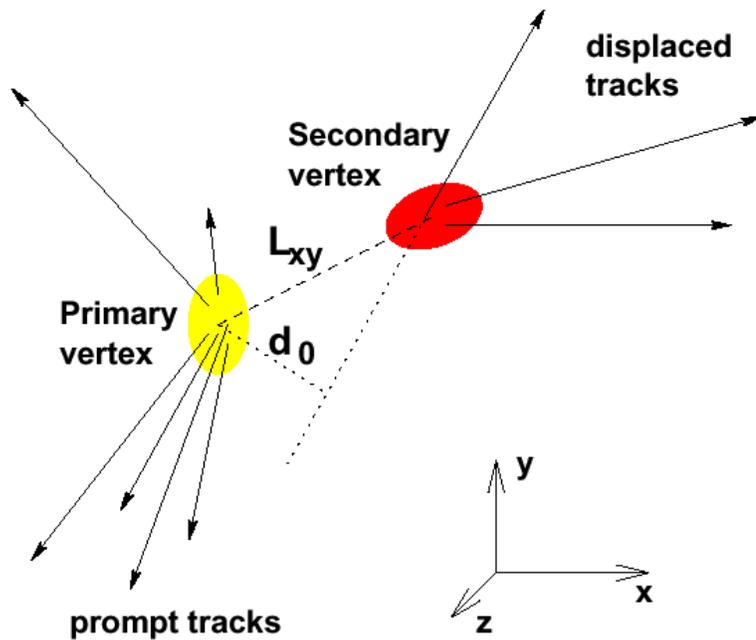


# b-quark identification

B hadrons in top events..

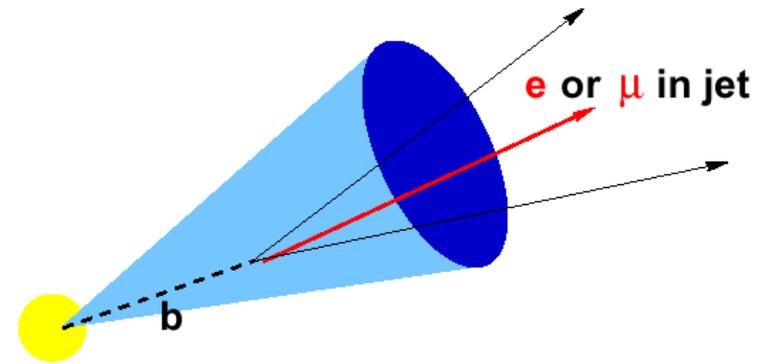
are long-lived and massive

Detect secondary vertices



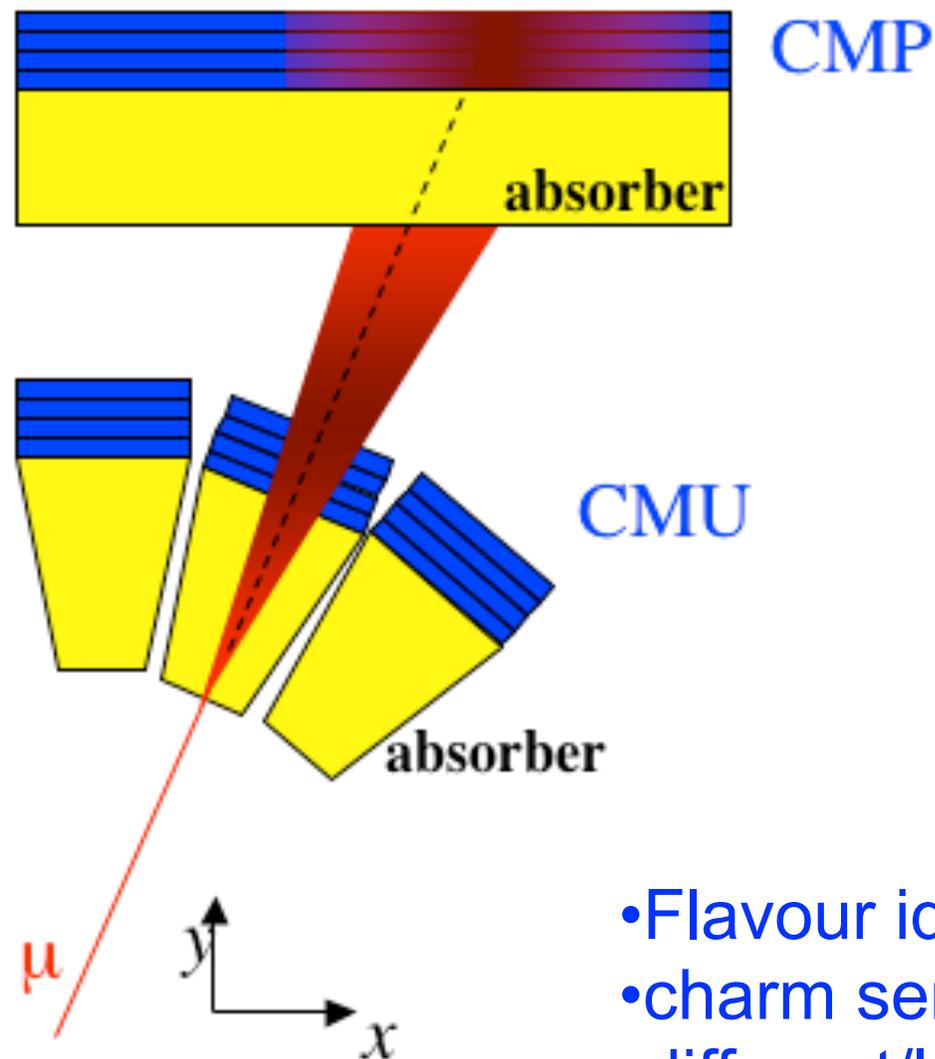
may decay semileptonically

Identify muons in jets



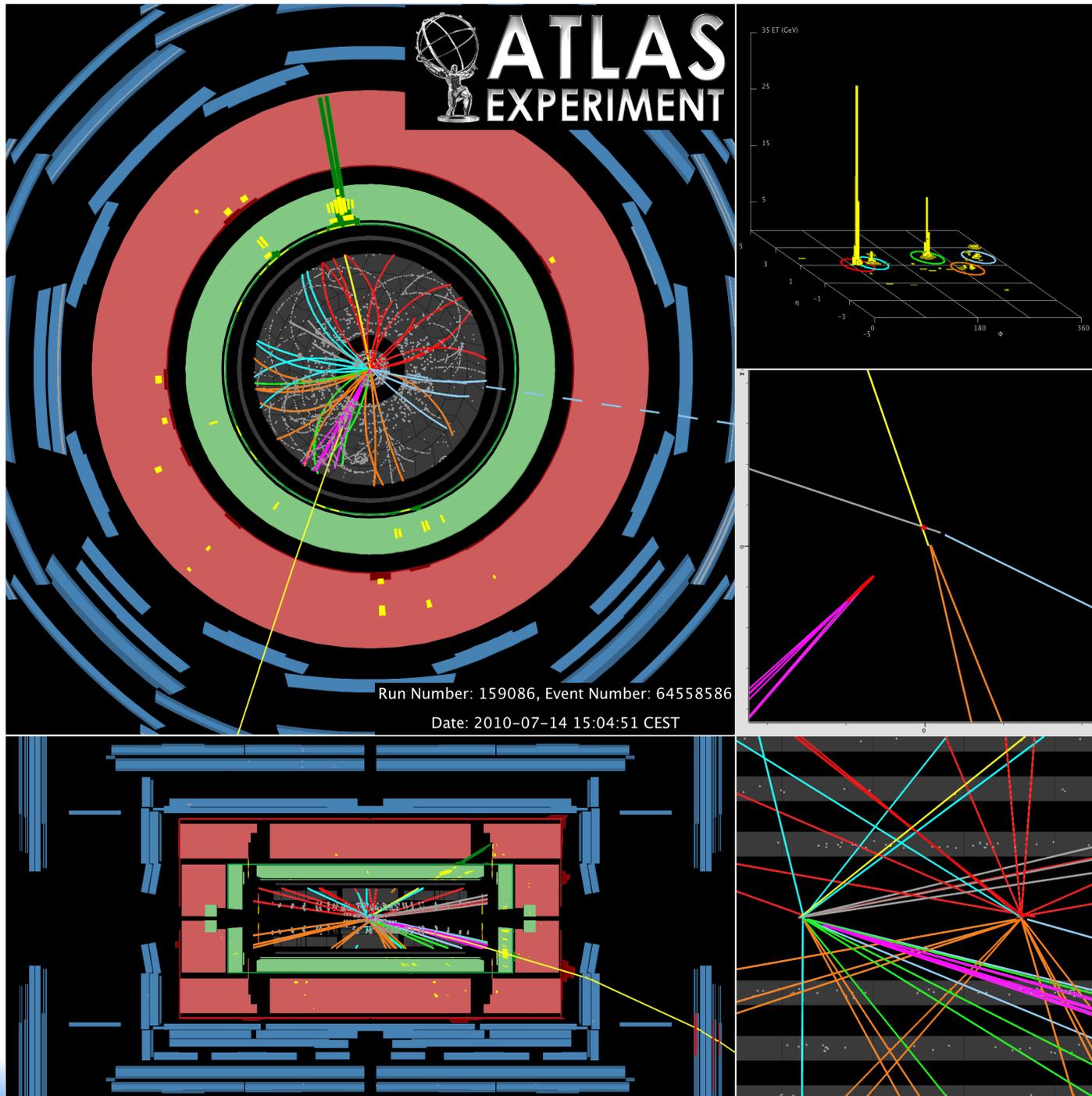
- $b \rightarrow l\nu c$  (BR  $\sim$  20%)
- $b \rightarrow c \rightarrow l\nu s$  (BR  $\sim$  20%)

# Working with soft muons (CDF)

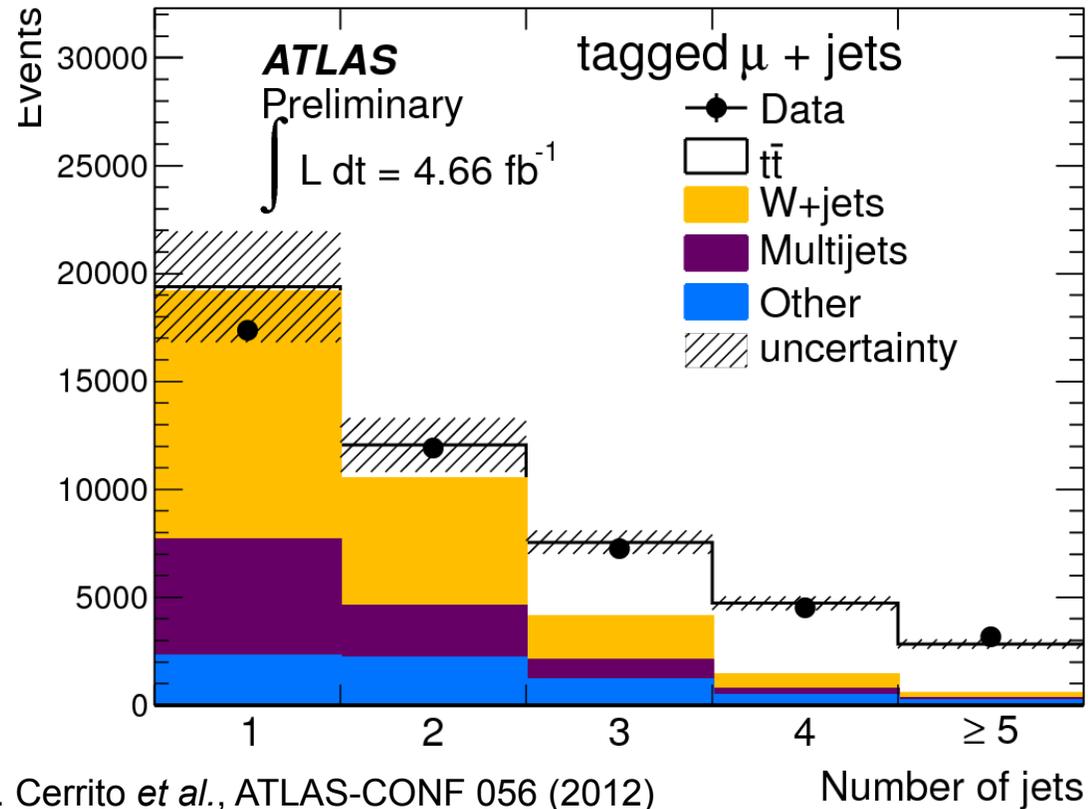
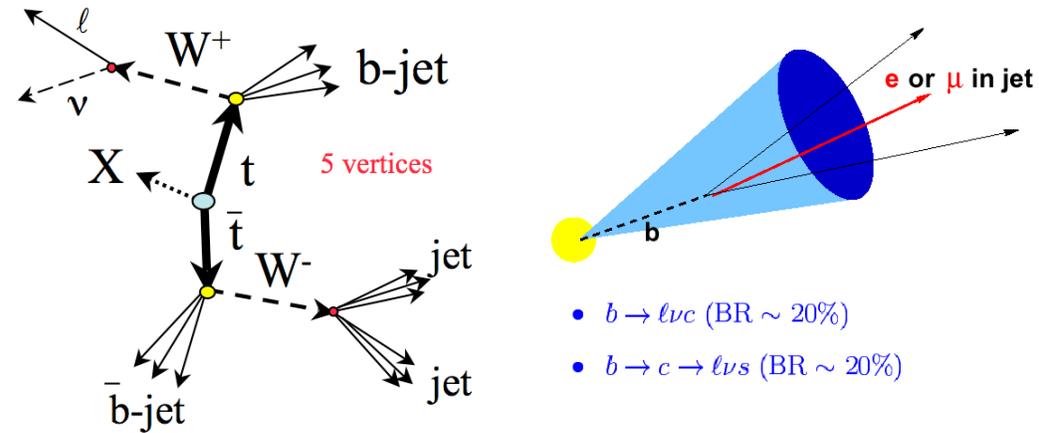
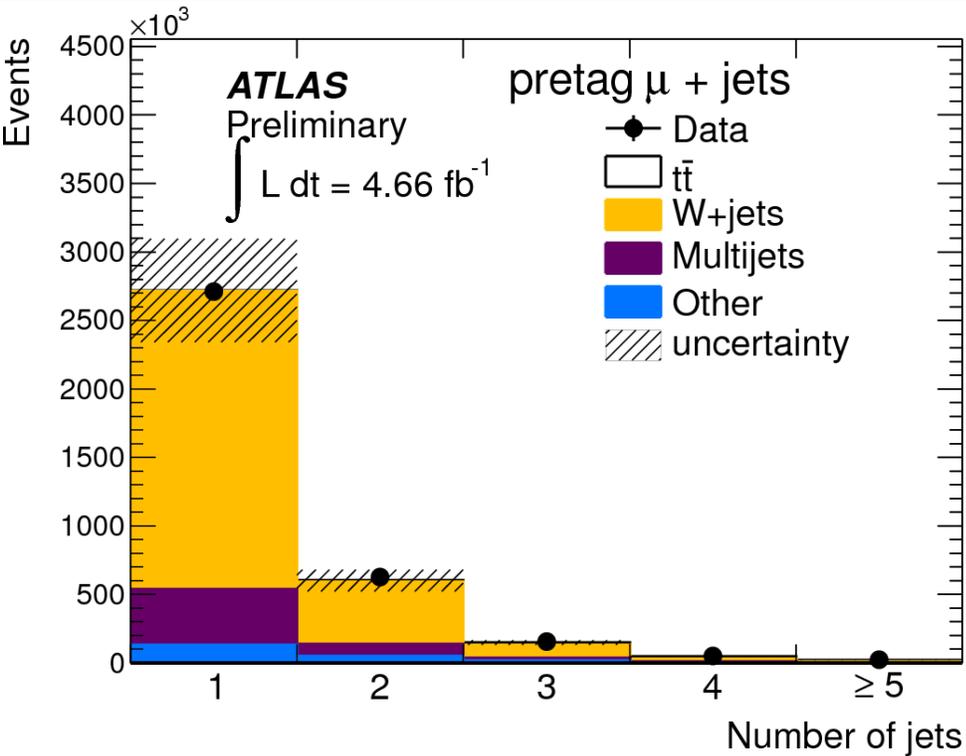


- Flavour identification
- charm sensitivity
- different/low systematics

# Candidate top quark pair event



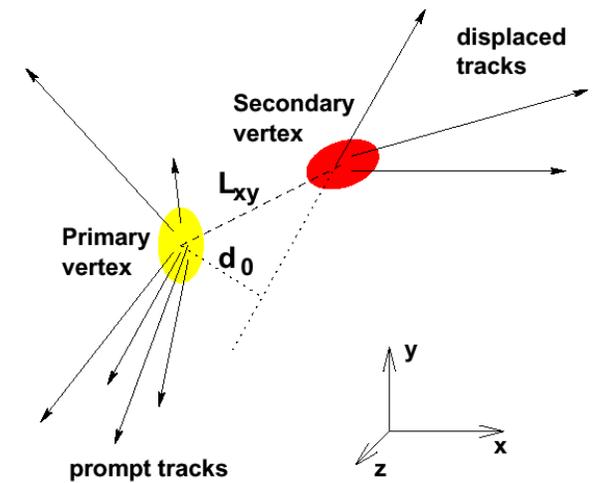
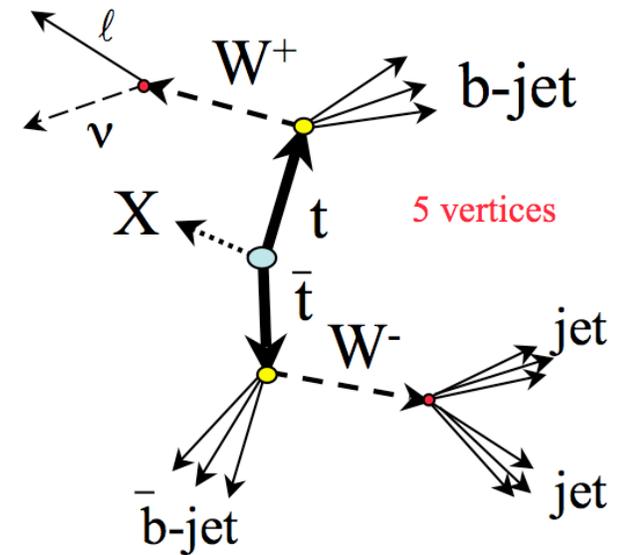
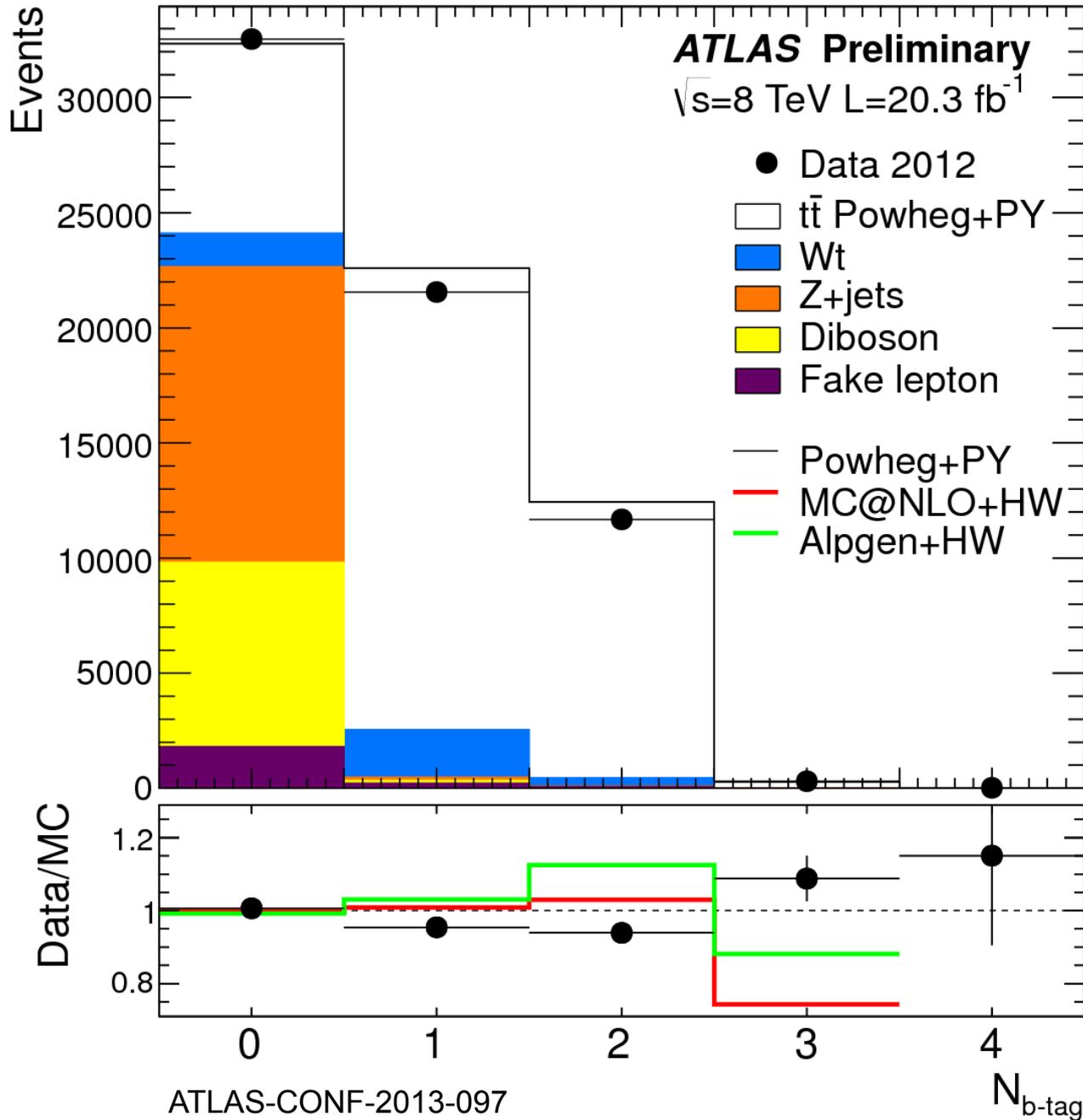
# Identification of top pairs: single lepton ch.



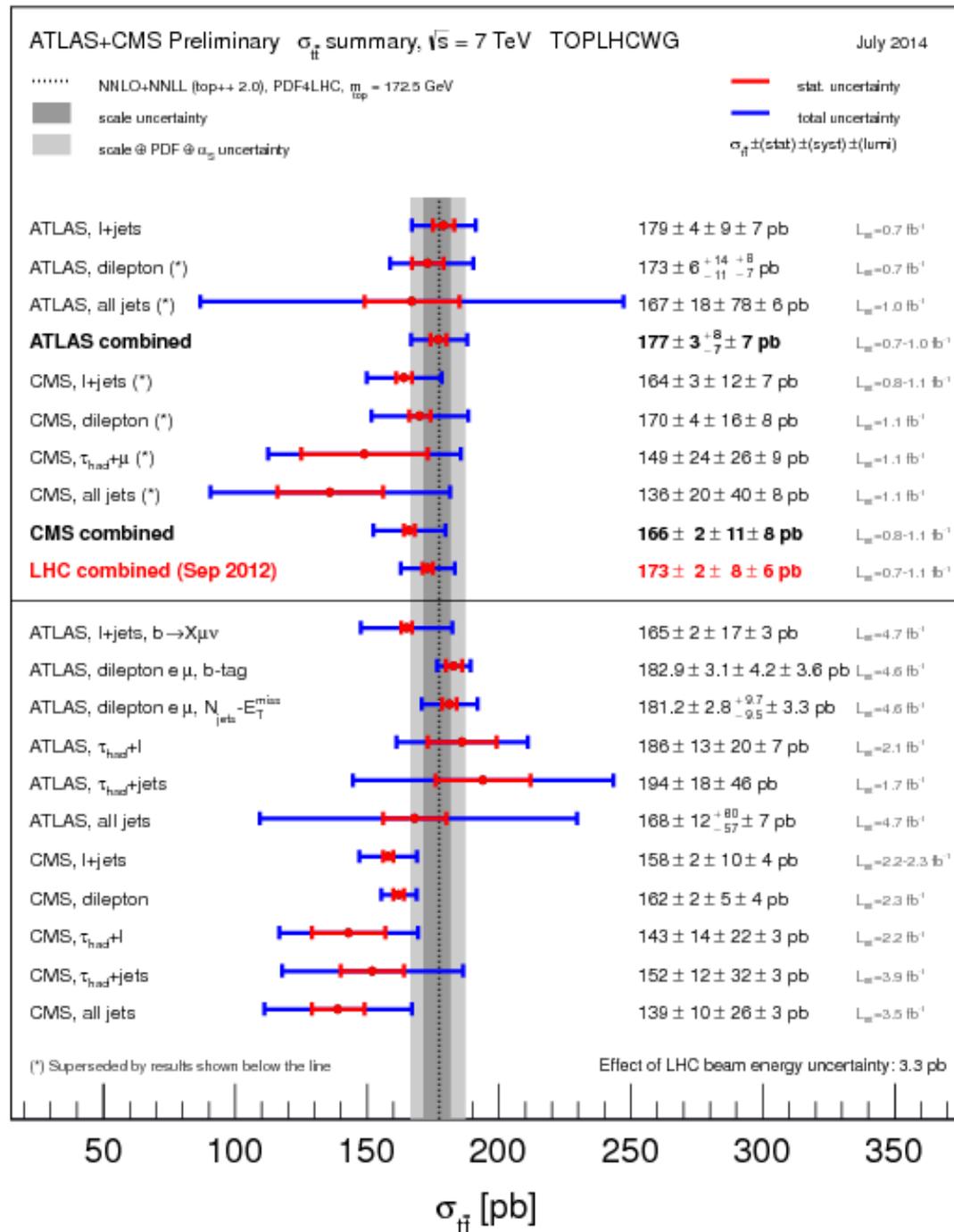
L. Cerrito *et al.*, ATLAS-CONF 056 (2012)

Number of jets

# Identification of top pairs: dilepton channel

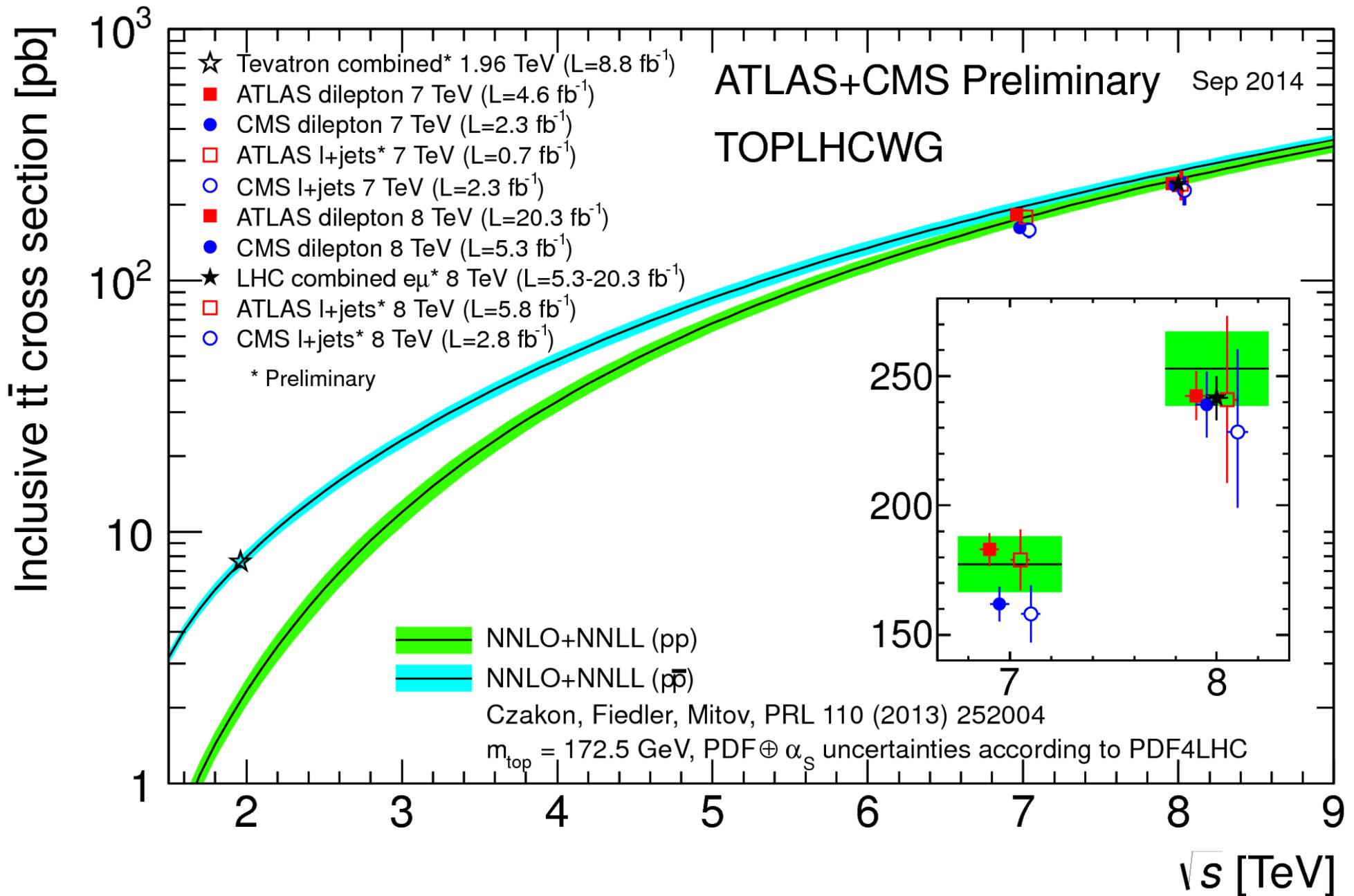


# LHC 7 TeV Pair production summary

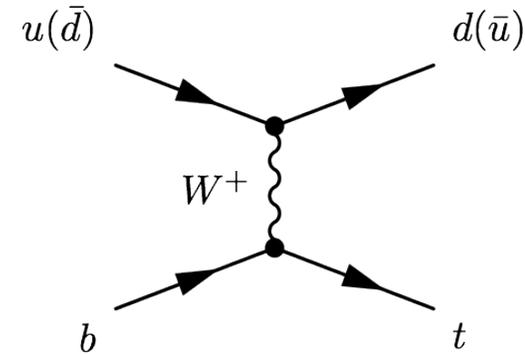
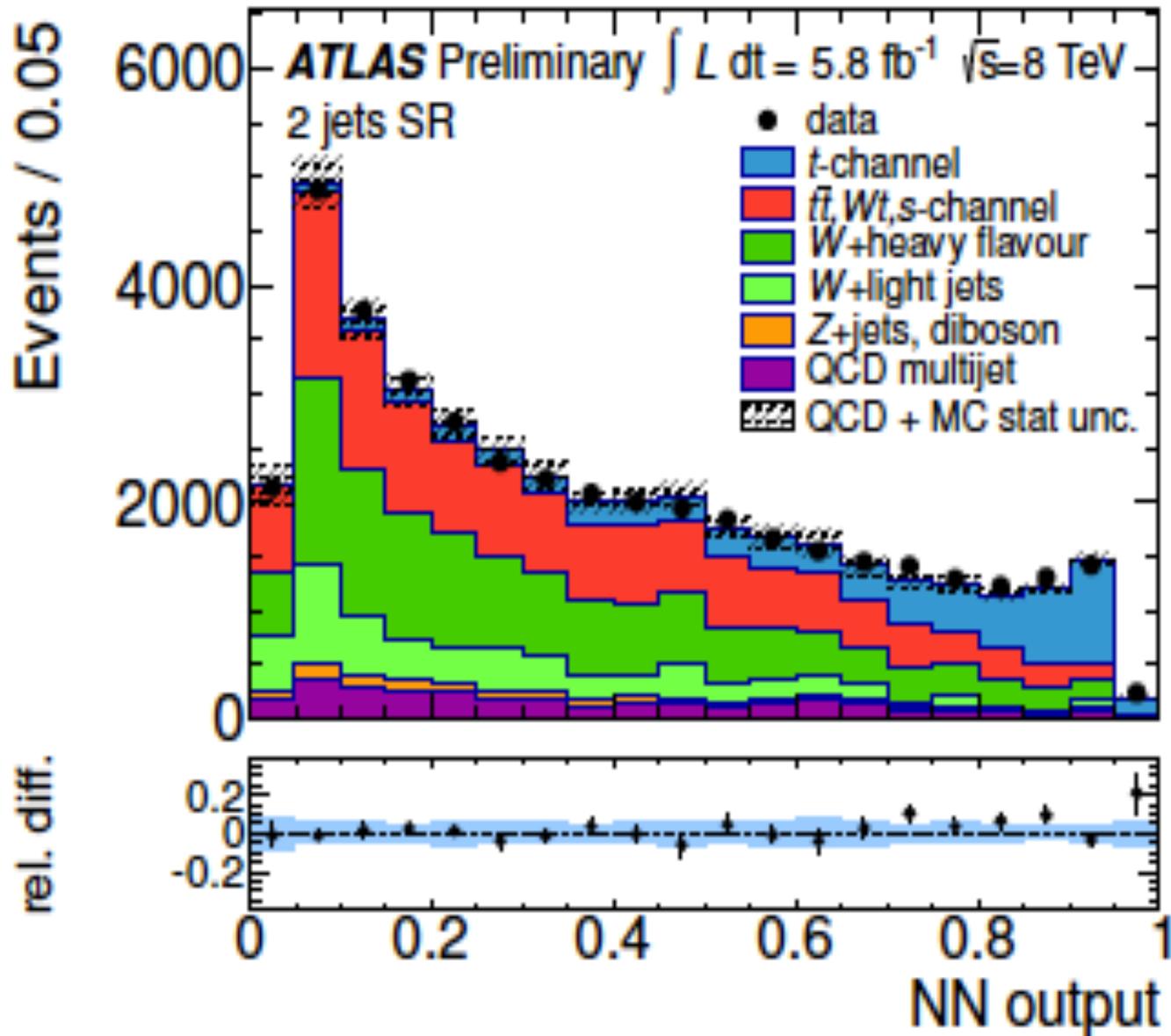


- ▶ Combined precision  $\sim 6\%$ , is similar to theory uncertainty.
- ▶ New measurements approach the  $\sim 4\%$  precision
- ▶ Agreement between channels within uncertainties (individual precisions 4% to 40%)

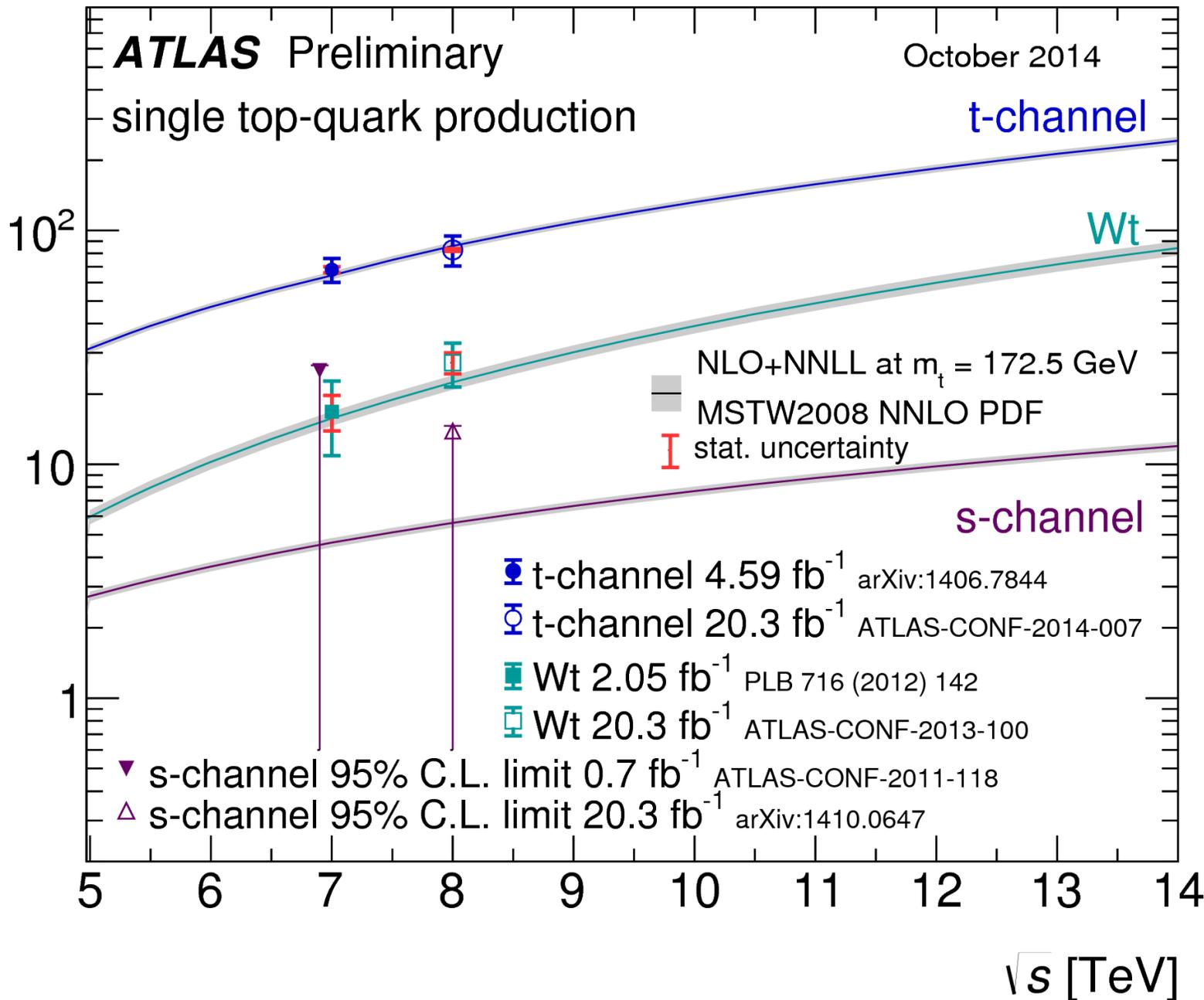
# Tevatron/LHC pair production summary



# Single top

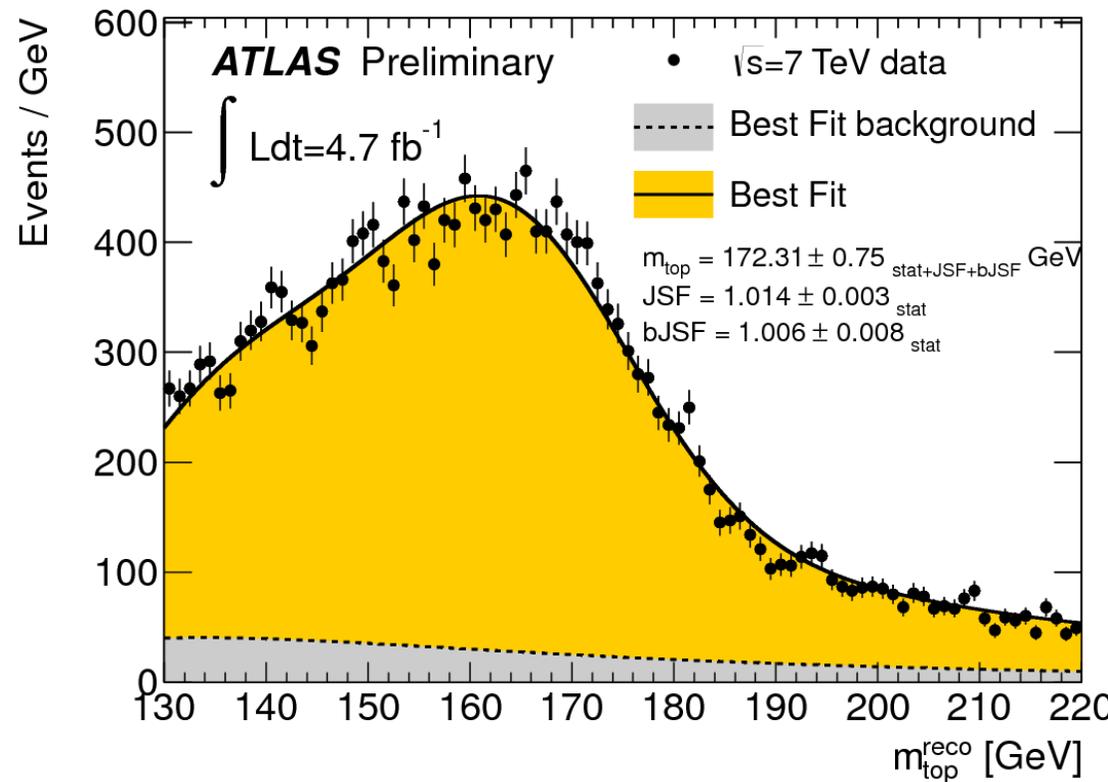
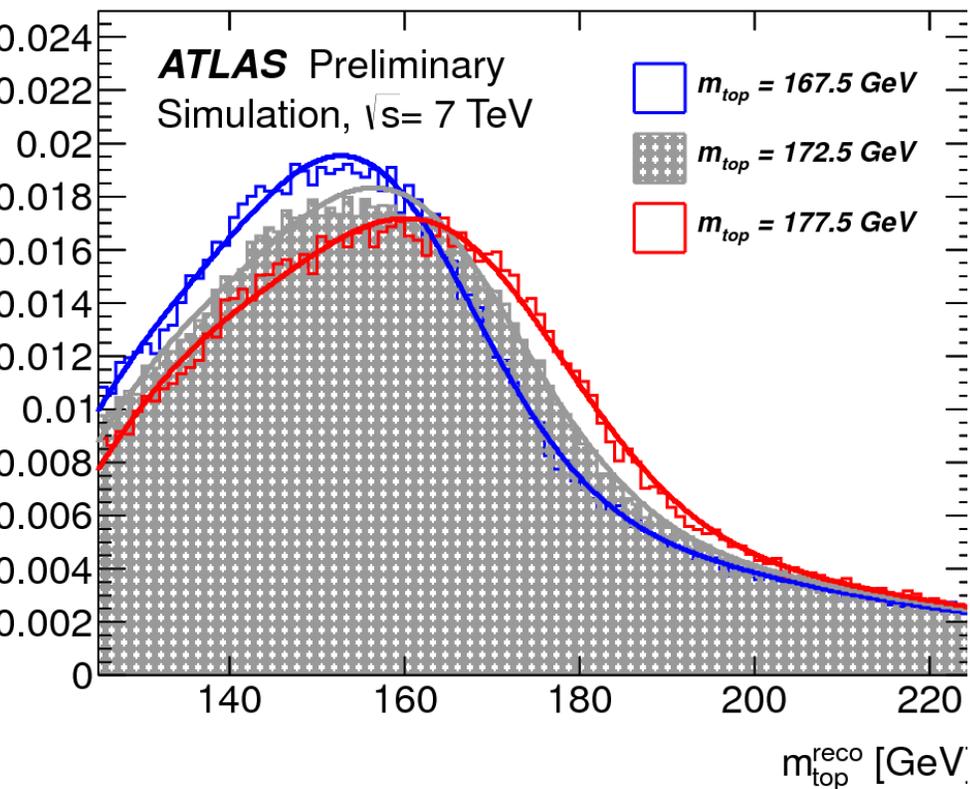
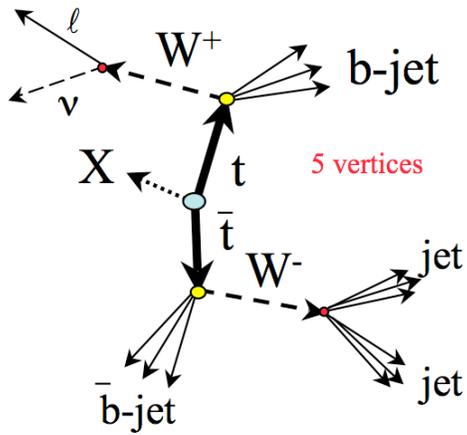


# ATLAS single top production summary

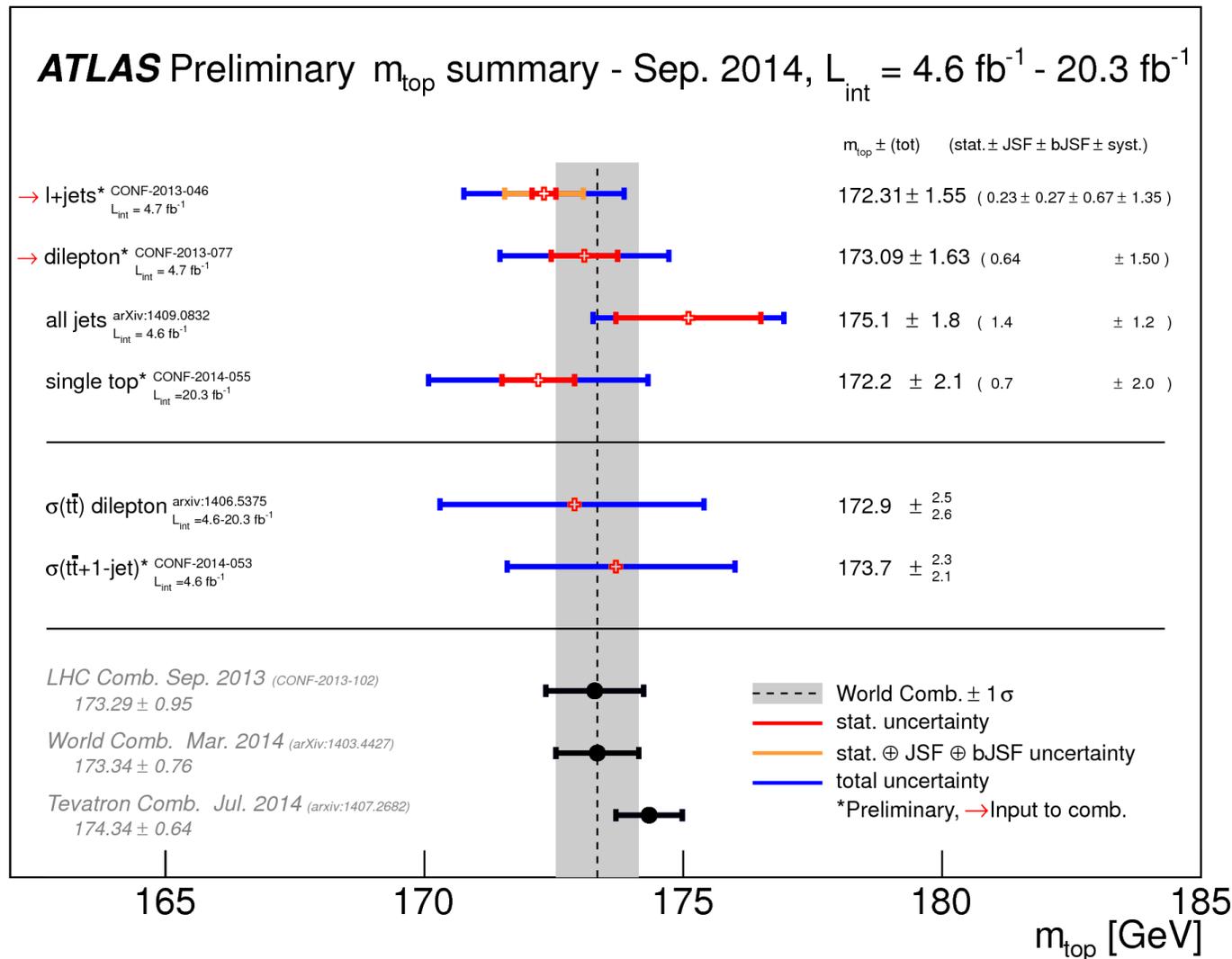


► Precision of ~12-30%, still larger than theory uncertainty. (4% for t-ch, 8% for Wt)

# Top quark mass reconstruction

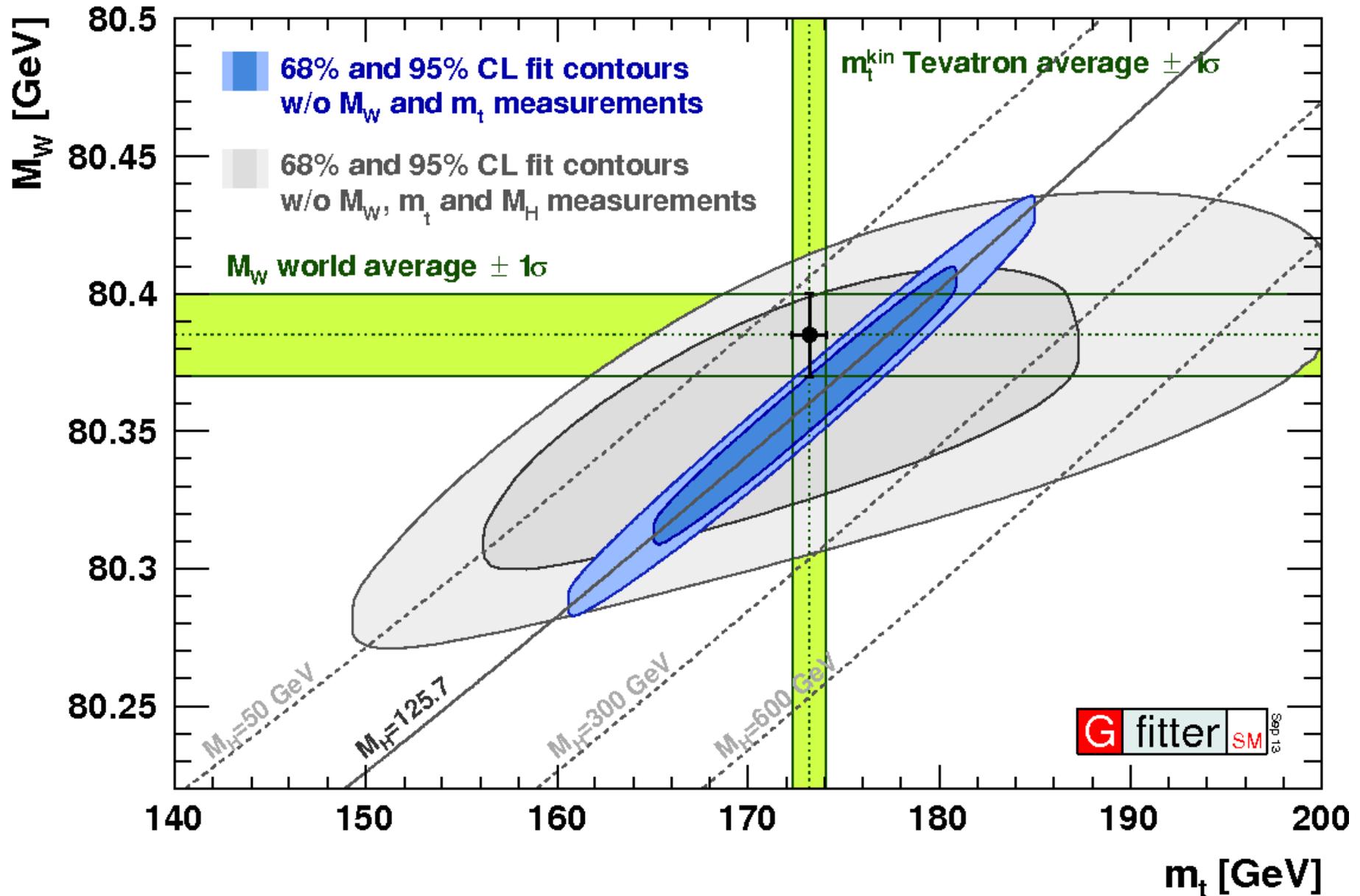


# Top quark mass



- ▶ LHC combined precision of  $\pm 0.9 \text{ GeV}$  ( $\sim 0.5\%$ )
- ▶ Best precision of an individual measurement (ATLAS):  $\sim \pm 1.5 \text{ GeV}$
- ▶ Measurements in different channels are consistent

# $M_W$ vs $M_t$ vs $M_H$



# Top mass and SM vacuum stability

arXiv:1205.6497 [hep-ph]

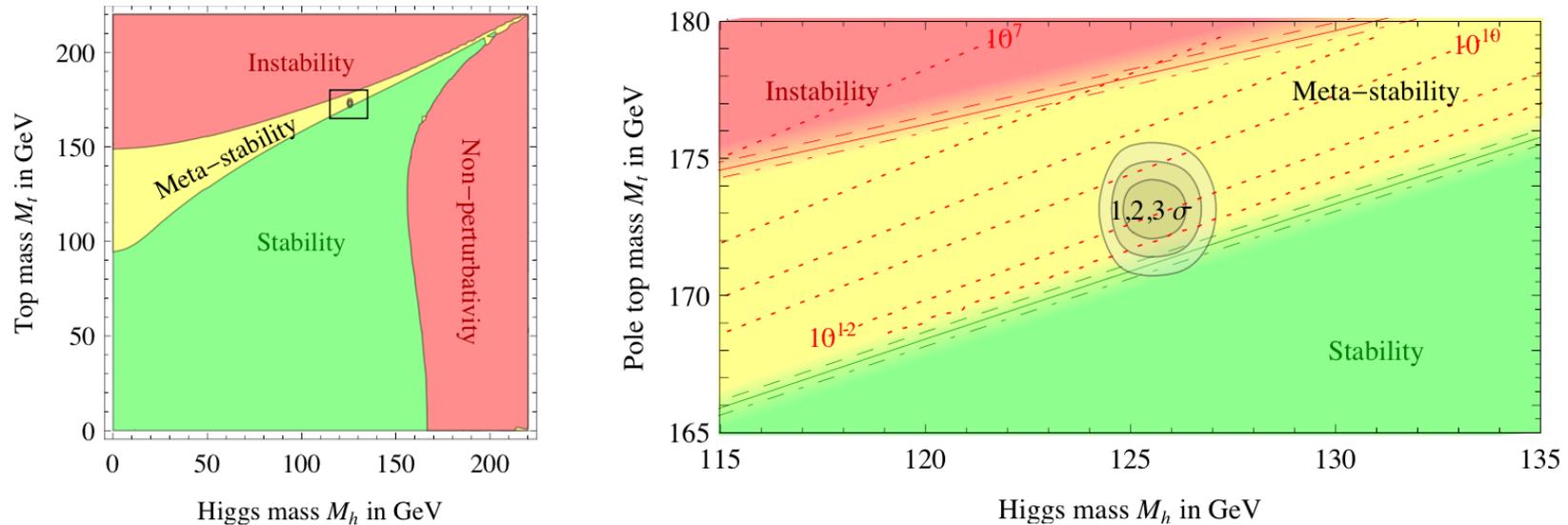
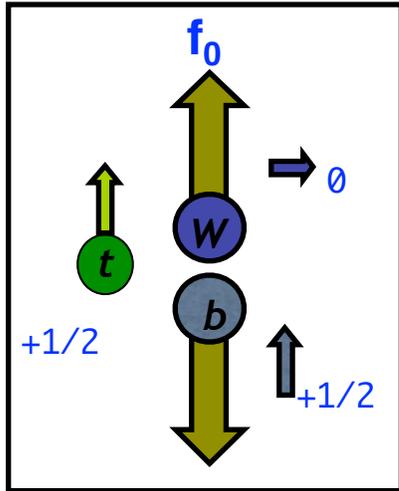


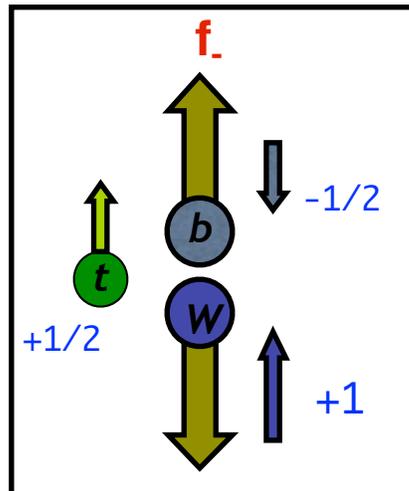
Figure 5: *Regions of absolute stability, meta-stability and instability of the SM vacuum in the  $M_t$ – $M_h$  plane (upper left) and in the  $\lambda$ – $y_t$  plane, in terms of parameter renormalized at the Planck scale (upper right). **Bottom:** Zoom in the region of the preferred experimental range of  $M_h$  and  $M_t$  (the gray areas denote the allowed region at 1, 2, and 3 $\sigma$ ). The three boundary lines correspond to  $\alpha_s(M_Z) = 0.1184 \pm 0.0007$ , and the grading of the colors indicates the size of the theoretical error. The dotted contour-lines show the instability scale  $\Lambda$  in GeV assuming  $\alpha_s(M_Z) = 0.1184$ .*

# Polarization of W in top decays

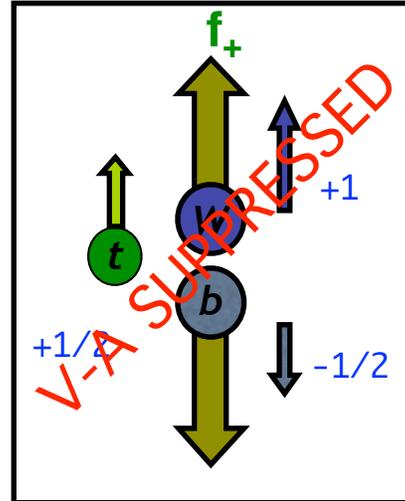
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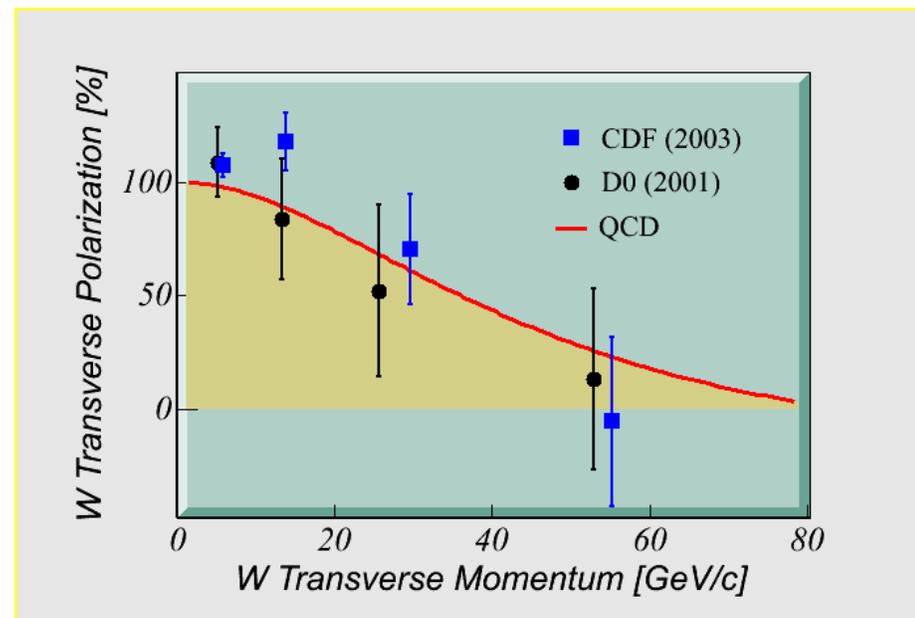
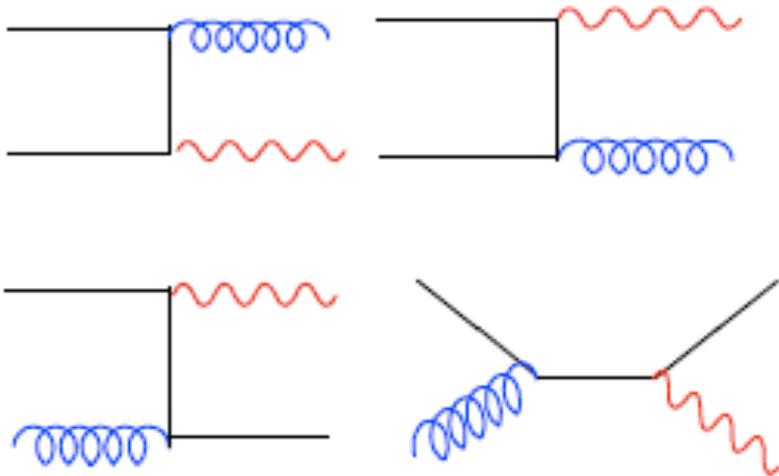


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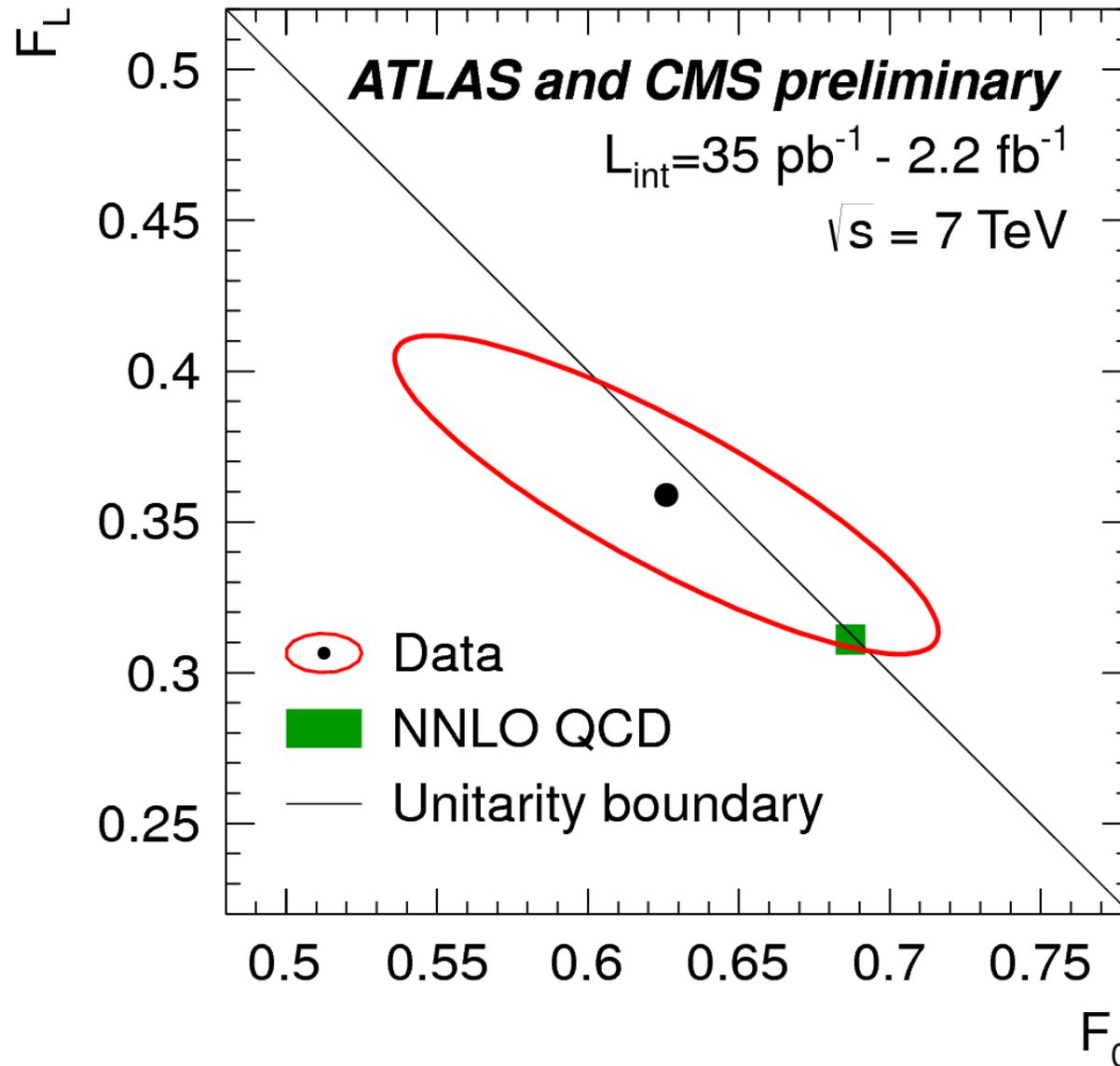
$$f_0 = \frac{M_t^2 / 2M_W^2}{1 + M_t^2 / 2M_W^2} \cong 0.7$$

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L Cerrito et al, Physical Review D 70, 032004, 2004.

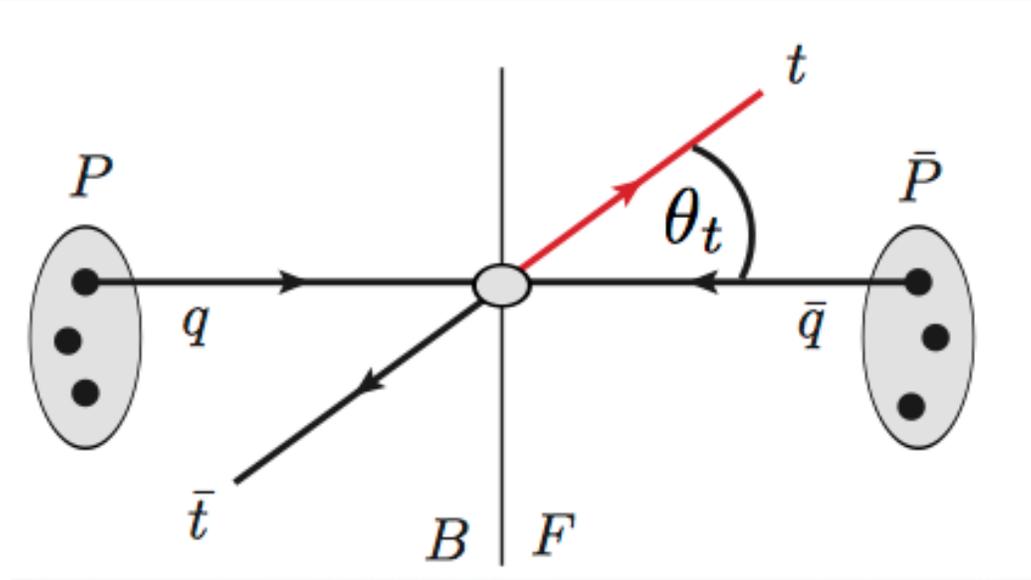
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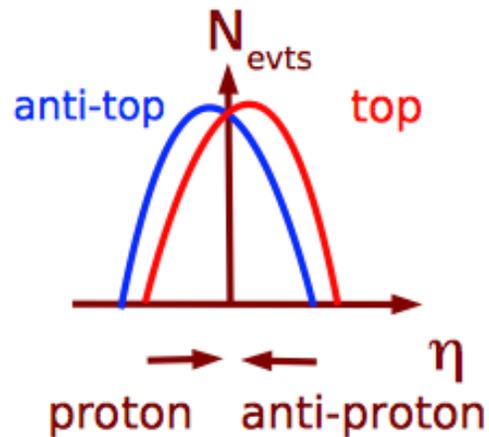
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(68% C.L. contour)

► Precision of ~15%

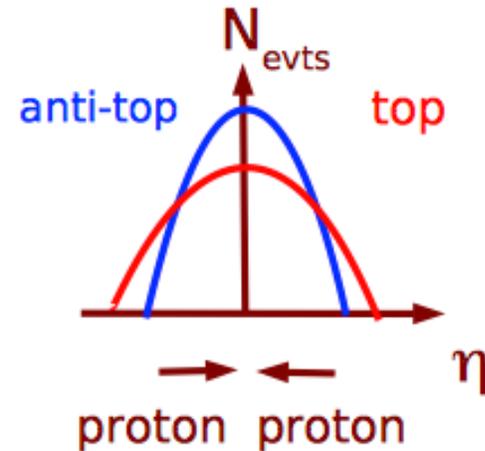
# Top pair F/B asymmetry



Tevatron



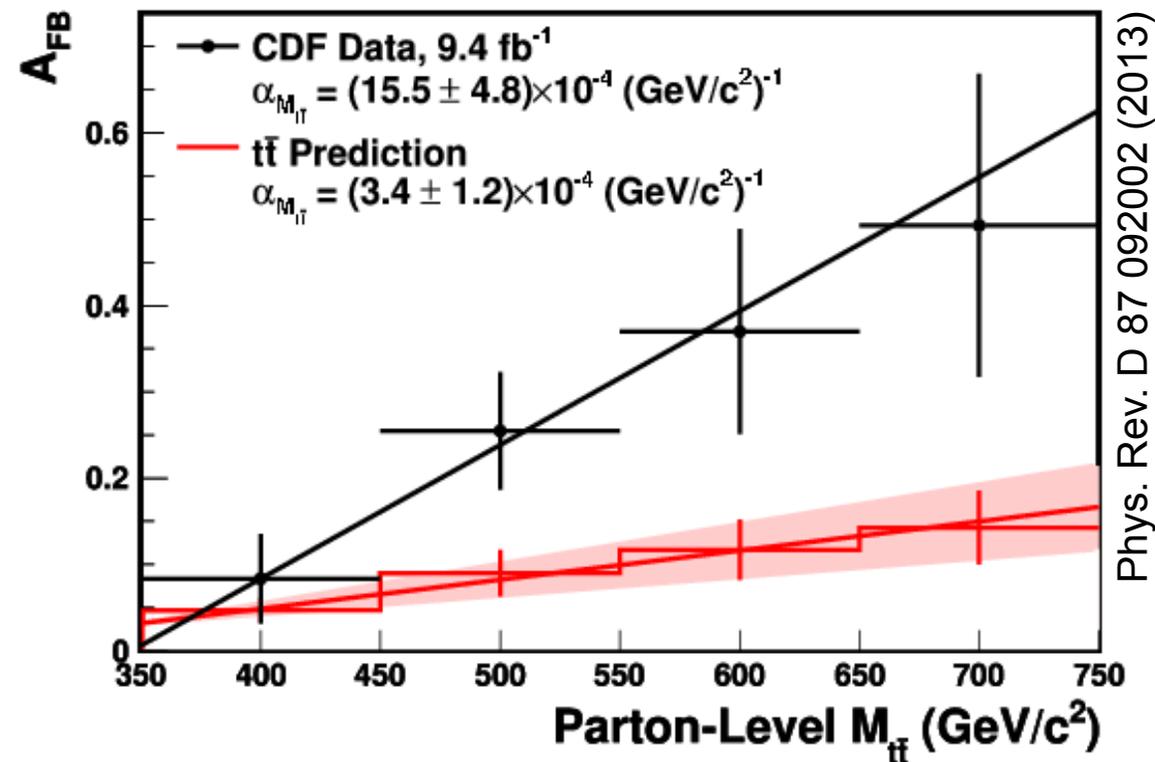
LHC



+gg dilution !

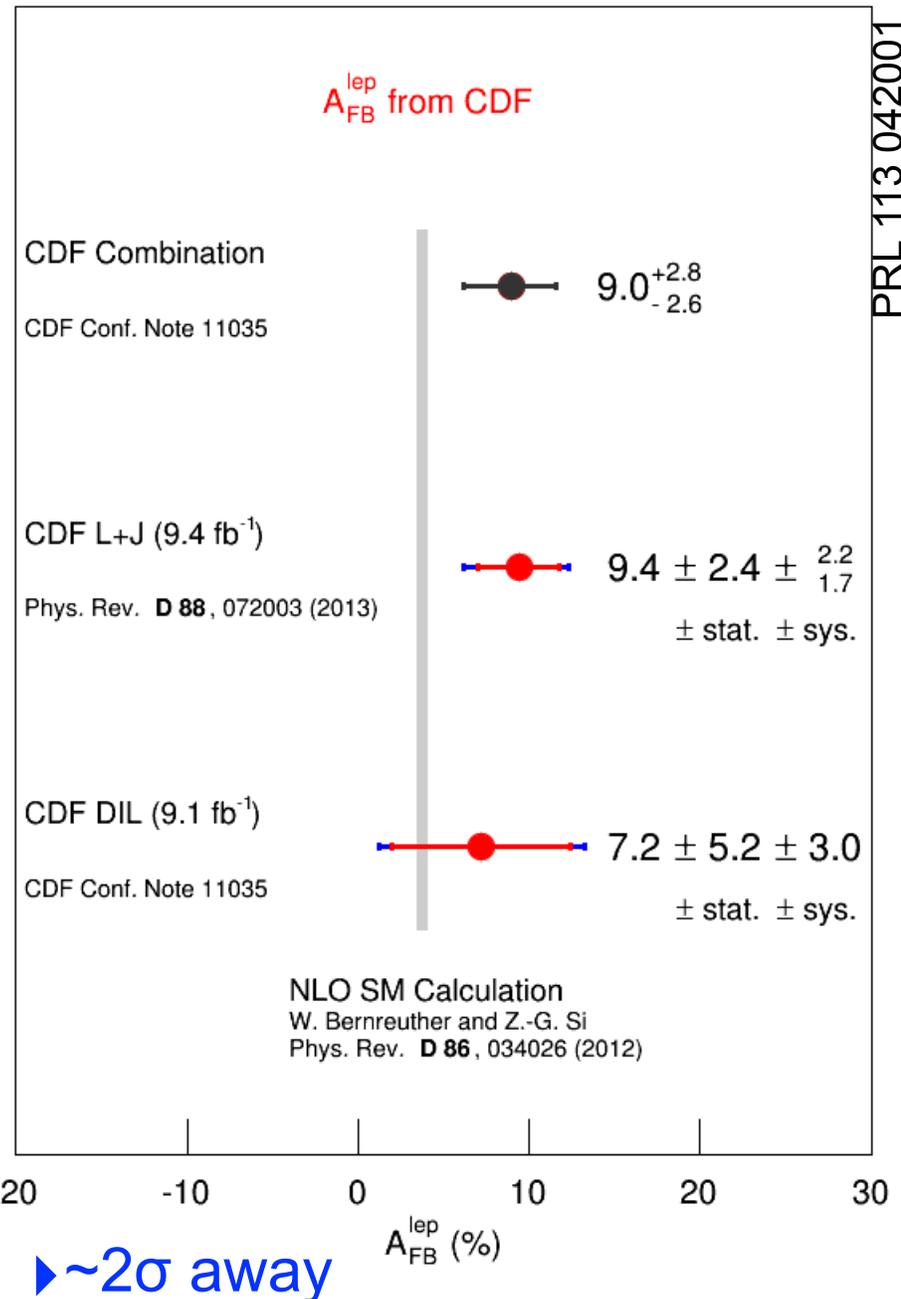
Arises at higher than tree-level order in the  $qq \rightarrow tt$  process (NLO): [Khun, Rodrigo, PRD 59 054017]

# Top pair F/B asymmetry



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▶  $\sim 2.4 \sigma$  away



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# A note on statistics

$5\sigma$



1/1.7M

Discovery

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1/1.7M

Discovery

$3\sigma$



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Evidence

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“discrepancy”

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“deviation”

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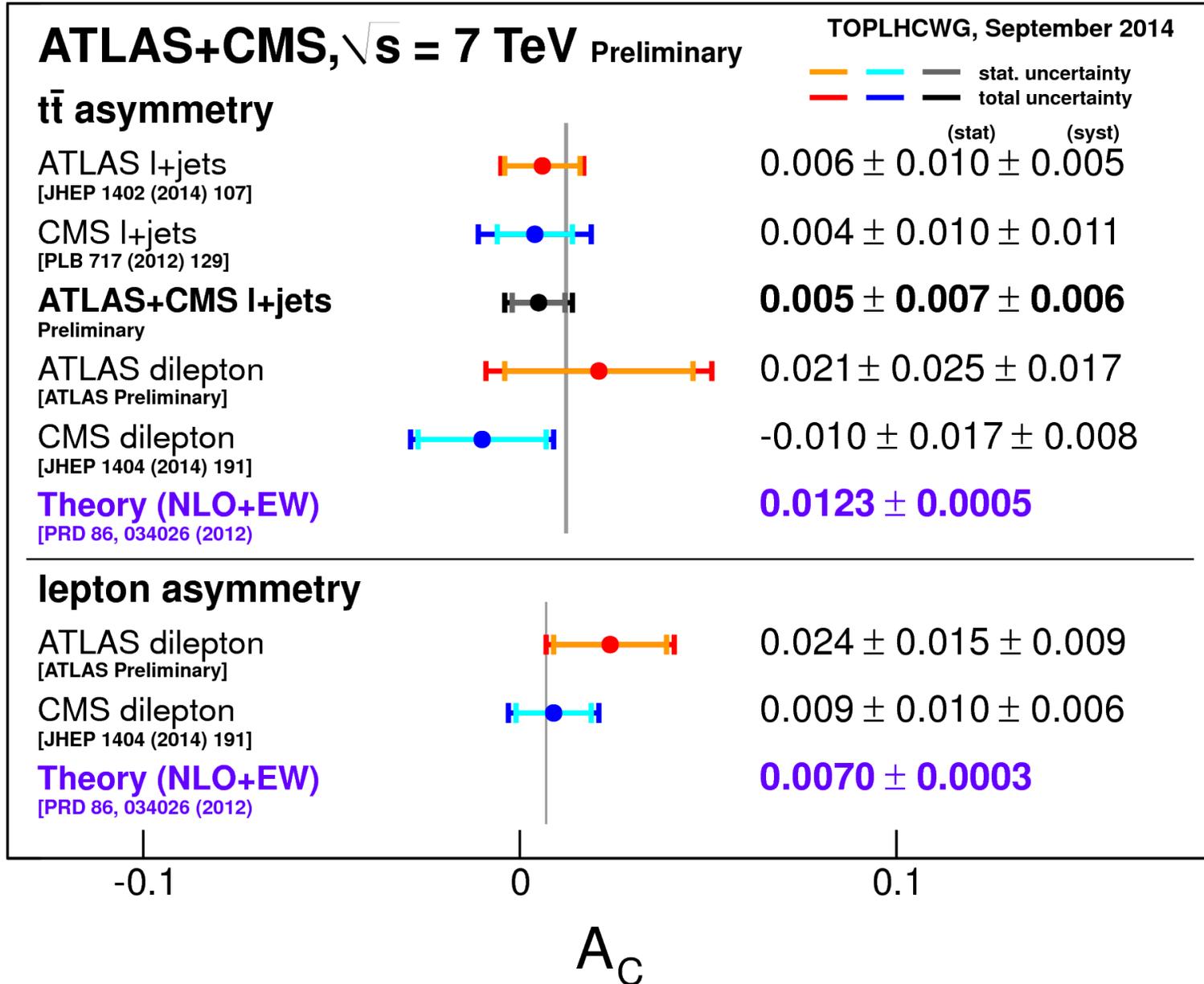
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“significantly larger/smaller”

# Top pair Charge asymmetry



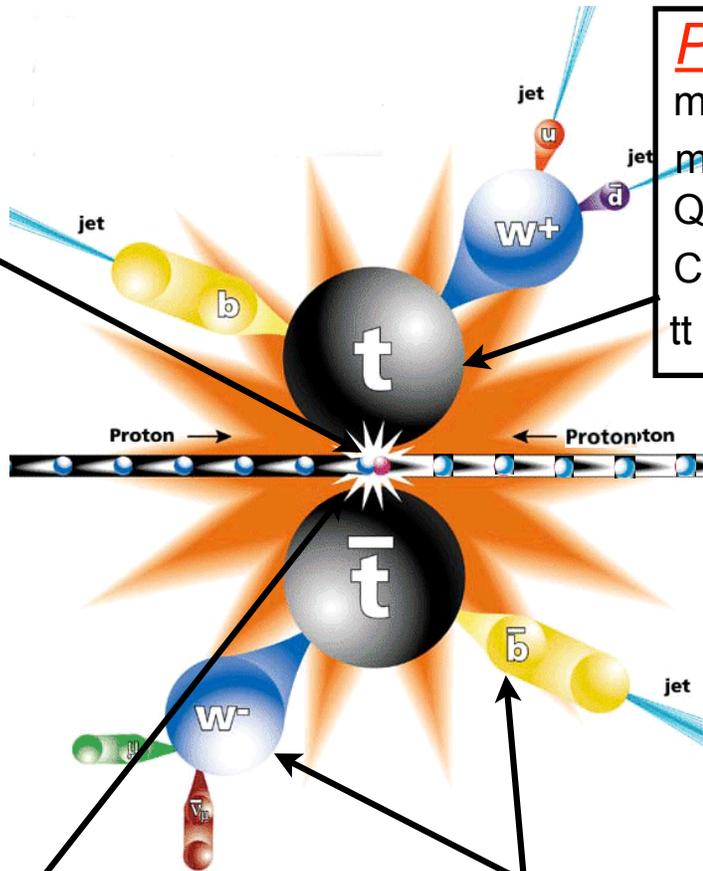
# Summary of ATLAS top physics

## Production Rates

$\sigma_{tt}$ (dilepton ch. 7(8) TeV).....	$\pm 4(4)\%$
$\sigma_{tt}$ (single lep. ch) 7(8) TeV..	$\pm 7(13)\%$
$\sigma_{tt}$ (hadronic channel).....	$\pm 35\%$
$\sigma_{tt}$ ( $\tau$ +jets).....	$\pm 27\%$
$\sigma_{tt}$ (e, $\mu$ + $\tau$ ).....	$\pm 15\%$
$\sigma_{tt}$ combined.....	$\pm 6\%$
$\sigma_{tt}$ (ttZ).....	$< 0.7$ pb
$\sigma_{tt}$ (tt $\gamma$ ).....	$\pm 41\%$
Differential $\sigma_{tt}$ , jet veto.....	obs.
Differential $\sigma_{tt}$ , $N_{jets}$ .....	up to 5
$\sigma_t$ , t-channel, $ V_{tb} $ , 7(8)TeV.....	12(15)%
$R = \sigma_t / \sigma_{tbar}$ , t-channel.....	$\pm 12\%$
$\sigma_t$ , Wt-channel... 7(8)TeV.....	$\pm 34(21)\%$
$\sigma_t$ , s-channel.. 7(8)TeV.....	$< 26(15)$ pb
$\sigma_t$ , FCNC X $B(W \rightarrow l\nu)$ .....	$< 2.5$ pb

## Properties

$m_{top}$ (precision).....	$\pm 0.5\%$
$m_{top}$ (additional methods)...	$> \pm 1\%$
$Q_{top}$ .....	not $4/3e$
Correlation of t-tbar spins..	$\sim 6\sigma$
tt charge asymmetry.....	$\pm 1\%$



## New Physics in production

tt+E <sub>Tmiss</sub> , .....	$m_T > 0.42$ TeV
Resonant tt, .....	$m_{Z'} > 2.5$ TeV
Resonant tb, .....	$m_W > 1.7$ TeV
T→tH.....	$m_T > \sim 700$ GeV

## Decay

Helicity of W bosons.....	$\sim \pm 15\%$
FCNC in decay (t→Zq).....	$< 0.73\%$
FCNC in decay (t→Hc)....	$< 0.83\%$

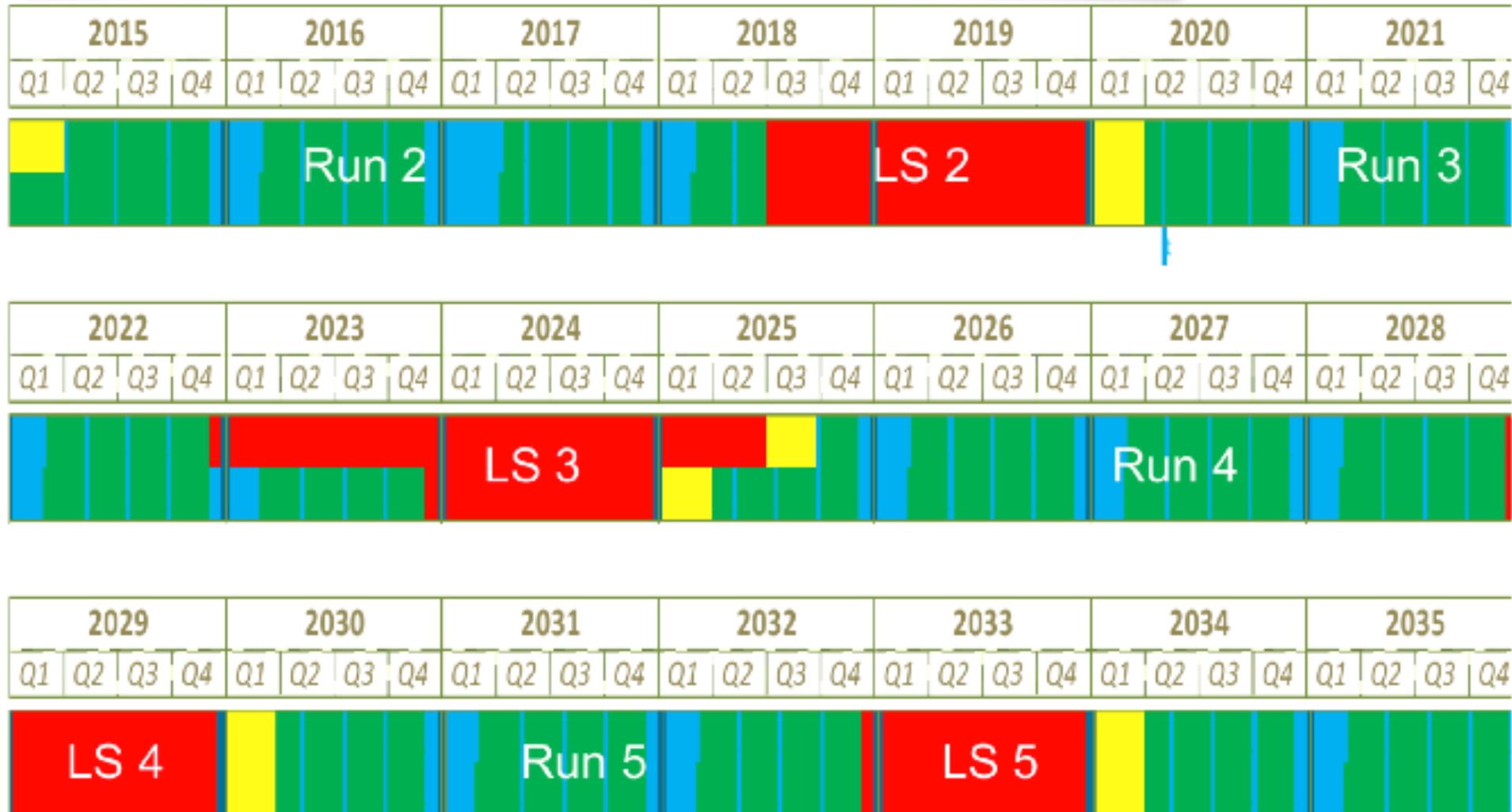


**Has anyone seen  
new physics?**

# LHC schedule

## LHC Run 2

- Collision energy:  $\sqrt{s}=13\text{--}14\text{ TeV}$
- Accumulated Data:  $\sim 100\text{ fb}^{-1}$
- Top Quarks:  $\times 15\text{--}20$  Run I sample



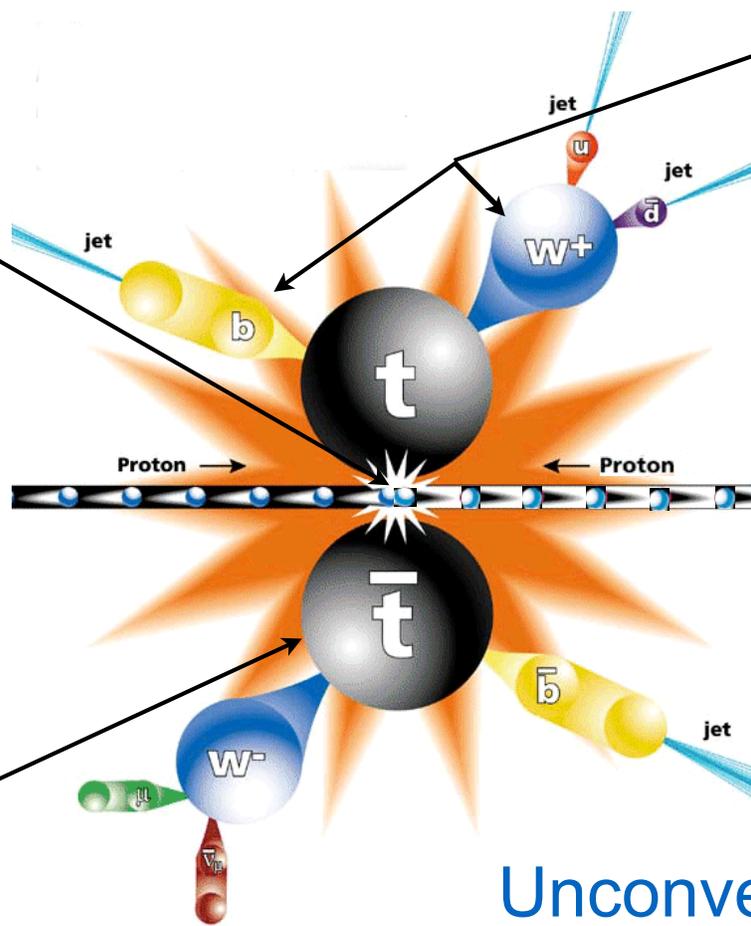
LHC schedule approved on 2/12/2013

# 5 Selected Measurements in Top Dynamics

$ttZ$ : vs  $p_T^Z$ , vs  $\Delta\phi(l^+l^-)$   
First couplings measurement

Resonances in top pairs  
with di-lepton events  
Sensitivity up to 3-3.5 TeV

Mass of top quark with  
leptonic endpoints  
Improvement of 40%



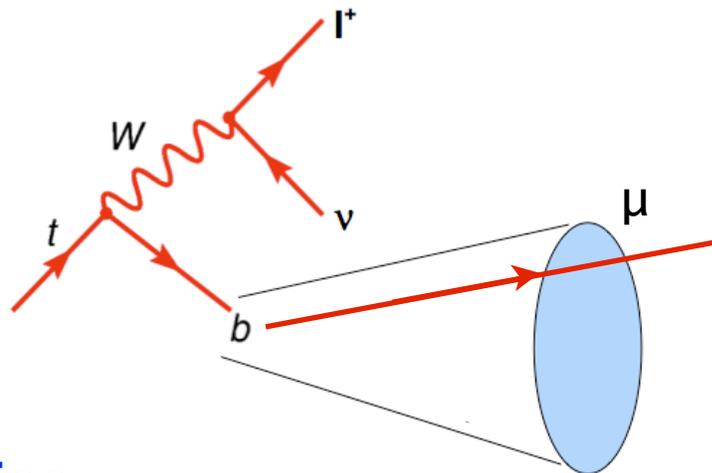
Exclusive Flavour  
Changing Neutral  
Current decay  $t \rightarrow Zc$   
BR sensitivity improved  
by  $\times 6$  and first exclusive  
measurement

CP violation in B  
from top quarks  
First measurement

Unconventional Techniques  
New Channels  
New Observables

# n1: Top Quark Mass

**Objective:** Top quark pole mass determined with a precision of  $\approx \pm 500$  MeV



## Novelties:

The observable used; reduced systematics

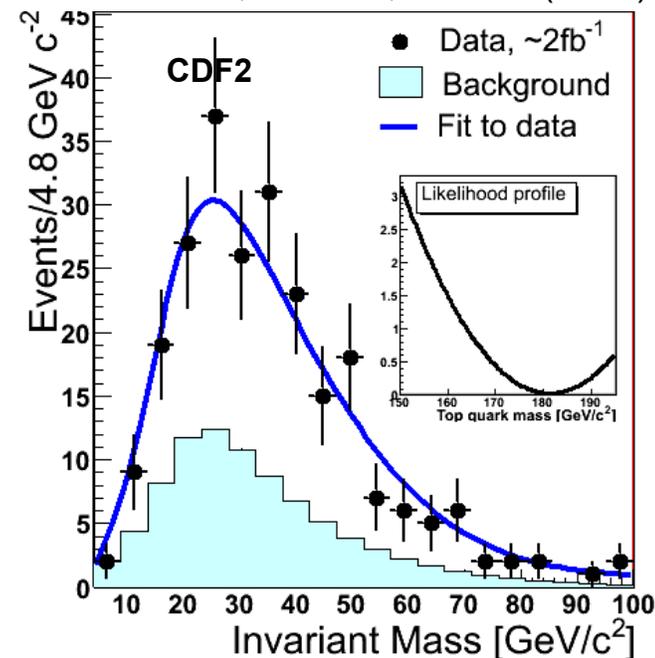
## Dataset Required:

$20 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  @ 13-14 TeV

## State of the Art:

$\pm 800$  MeV (Sep 2014) w. JES

L. Cerrito *et al.*, PRD 79, 052007 (2009)



## Target Uncertainties:

Source	$\Delta m_{top}$ [MeV]
Statistical uncertainty	300
Top quark production and decay modelling	300
Background modelling	150–200
ISR/FSR, PDF	$\leq 200$
Leptons' momentum calibration	$\leq 100$
Total	500

Table 1: Top mass ( $m_{top}$ ) measurement: breakdown of expected statistical and systematic uncertainties.

# n2: CPV in B from Top Quarks

**Objective:** Probing for the first time CP violation in B from top pairs.

$$A_{sl}^{ss} \equiv \frac{N^{++} - N^{--}}{N^{++} + N^{--}} = r_b A_{mix}^{bl} + r_c (A_{dir}^{bc} - A_{dir}^{cl}) + r_{c\bar{c}} (A_{mix}^{bc} - A_{dir}^{cl}),$$

**Dataset Required:**  
~50 fb<sup>-1</sup> @ 13-14 TeV

$$A_{sl}^{os} \equiv \frac{N^{+-} - N^{-+}}{N^{+-} + N^{-+}} = \tilde{r}_b A_{dir}^{bl} + \tilde{r}_c (A_{mix}^{bc} + A_{dir}^{cl}) + \tilde{r}_{c\bar{c}} A_{dir}^{cl},$$

**Target Sensitivities:**

**Novelties:**

First measurement

$$A_{mix}^{bl} = \frac{\Gamma(b \rightarrow \bar{b} \rightarrow \ell^+ X) - \Gamma(\bar{b} \rightarrow b \rightarrow \ell^- X)}{\Gamma(b \rightarrow \bar{b} \rightarrow \ell^+ X) + \Gamma(\bar{b} \rightarrow b \rightarrow \ell^- X)}, \approx 7 \times 10^{-3}$$

**State of the Art:**

No measurement

$$A_{dir}^{bl} = \frac{\Gamma(b \rightarrow \ell^- X) - \Gamma(\bar{b} \rightarrow \ell^+ X)}{\Gamma(b \rightarrow \ell^- X) + \Gamma(\bar{b} \rightarrow \ell^+ X)}, \approx 0.3\%$$

$$A_{dir}^{cl} = \frac{\Gamma(\bar{c} \rightarrow \ell^- X_L) - \Gamma(c \rightarrow \ell^+ X_L)}{\Gamma(\bar{c} \rightarrow \ell^- X_L) + \Gamma(c \rightarrow \ell^+ X_L)}, \approx 0.3\%$$

$$A_{dir}^{bc} = \frac{\Gamma(b \rightarrow c X_L) - \Gamma(\bar{b} \rightarrow \bar{c} X_L)}{\Gamma(b \rightarrow c X_L) + \Gamma(\bar{b} \rightarrow \bar{c} X_L)}, \approx 0.3\%$$

# n3: BSM Resonances in Top Pairs

**Objective:** Search for a *broad* TeV-scale resonance ( $X'$ ) decaying to top pairs and disentangle possible degenerate states

## Novelties:

- First use of top di-lepton channel
- Scan of spin polarisation vs.  $V_T$

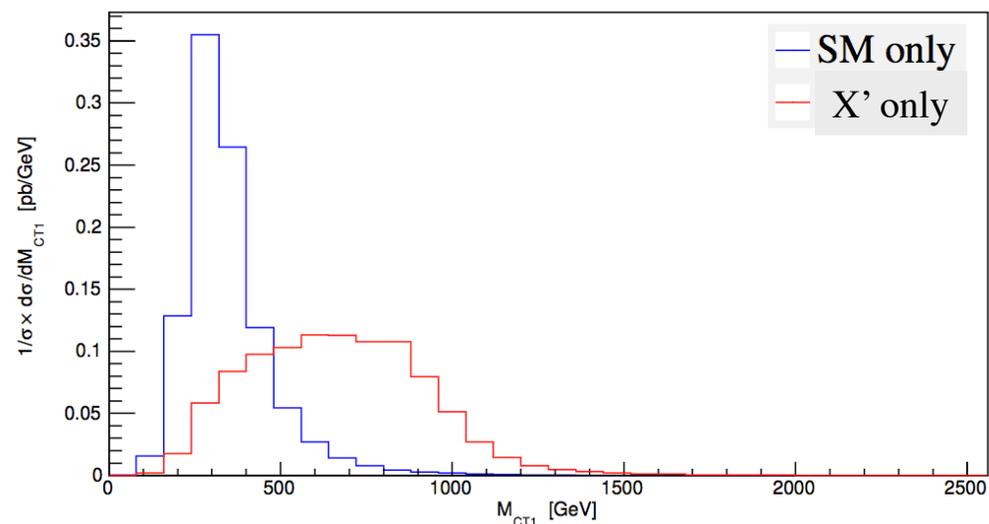
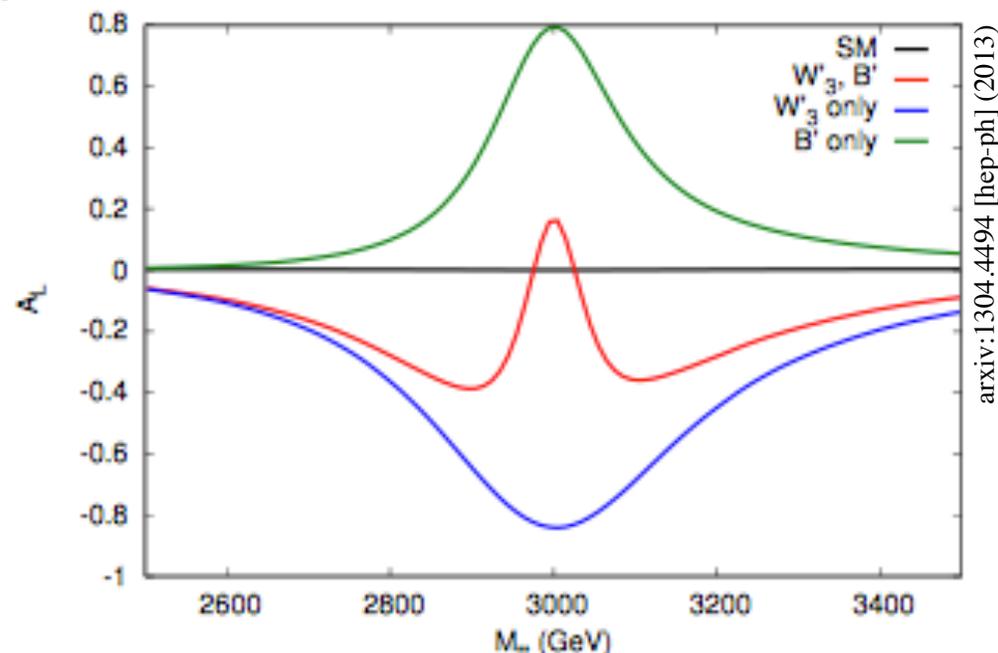
## Dataset Required:

$\sim 70\text{-}100 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  @ 13-14 TeV

## State of the Art:

Mass  $X' \gtrsim 2.5 \text{ TeV}$

Target Sensitivity:  $\sim 3\text{-}3.5 \text{ TeV}$



# n4: FCNC Decay $t \rightarrow Zc$

**Objective:** First search for the exclusive  $t \rightarrow Zc$  decay

**Novelties:**

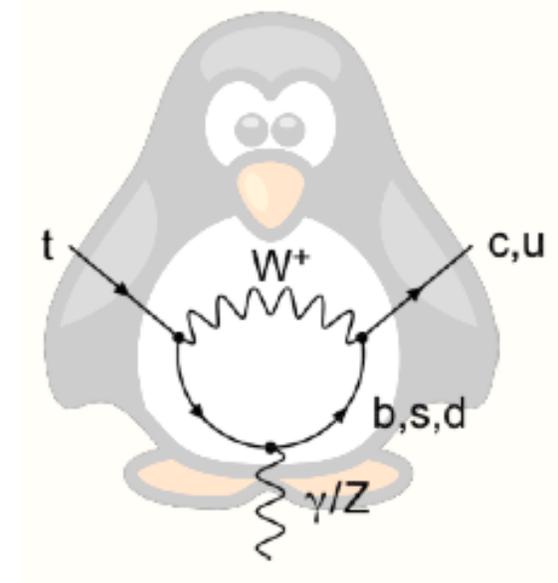
- Explicit charm tagging  $c \rightarrow \mu + X$
- top mass constraints

**Dataset Required:**

$\sim 100 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  @ 13-14 TeV

**State of the Art:**

$\text{BR}(t \rightarrow Zq) < 6 \times 10^{-4}$



**Target Sensitivity:**  $\text{BR}(t \rightarrow Zc) \lesssim 1 \times 10^{-4}$

	SM	QS	2HDM	FC 2HDM	MSSM	$\mathcal{R}$ SUSY
$t \rightarrow uZ$	$8 \times 10^{-17}$	$1.1 \times 10^{-4}$	—	—	$2 \times 10^{-6}$	$3 \times 10^{-5}$
$t \rightarrow u\gamma$	$3.7 \times 10^{-16}$	$7.5 \times 10^{-9}$	—	—	$2 \times 10^{-6}$	$1 \times 10^{-6}$
$t \rightarrow ug$	$3.7 \times 10^{-14}$	$1.5 \times 10^{-7}$	—	—	$8 \times 10^{-5}$	$2 \times 10^{-4}$
$t \rightarrow uH$	$2 \times 10^{-17}$	$4.1 \times 10^{-5}$	$5.5 \times 10^{-6}$	—	$10^{-5}$	$\sim 10^{-6}$
$t \rightarrow cZ$	$1 \times 10^{-14}$	$1.1 \times 10^{-4}$	$\sim 10^{-7}$	$\sim 10^{-10}$	$2 \times 10^{-6}$	$3 \times 10^{-5}$
$t \rightarrow c\gamma$	$4.6 \times 10^{-14}$	$7.5 \times 10^{-9}$	$\sim 10^{-6}$	$\sim 10^{-9}$	$2 \times 10^{-6}$	$1 \times 10^{-6}$
$t \rightarrow cg$	$4.6 \times 10^{-12}$	$1.5 \times 10^{-7}$	$\sim 10^{-4}$	$\sim 10^{-8}$	$8 \times 10^{-5}$	$2 \times 10^{-4}$
$t \rightarrow cH$	$3 \times 10^{-15}$	$4.1 \times 10^{-5}$	$1.5 \times 10^{-3}$	$\sim 10^{-5}$	$10^{-5}$	$\sim 10^{-6}$

Figure 4: Branching ratios for top FCN decays in the SM, models with  $Q = 2/3$  quark singlets (QS), a general two-Higgs doublet model (2HDM), a flavour-conserving (FC) 2HDM, in the MSSM and with R parity violating SUSY[14].

# n5: $ttZ$ Couplings

**Objective:** First search for anomalous Vector (Axial Vector)  $ttZ$  couplings

$$\Gamma_{\mu}^{ttV}(k^2, q, \bar{q}) = -ie\{\gamma_{\mu}[F_{1V}^V(k^2) + \gamma_5 F_{1A}^V(k^2)] + \frac{\sigma_{\mu\nu}}{2m_t}(q + \bar{q})^{\nu}[iF_{2V}^V(k^2) + \gamma_5 F_{2A}^V(k^2)]\},$$

**Novelties:**

- Production binned in  $p_T^Z$
- Binned in di-lepton opening angle

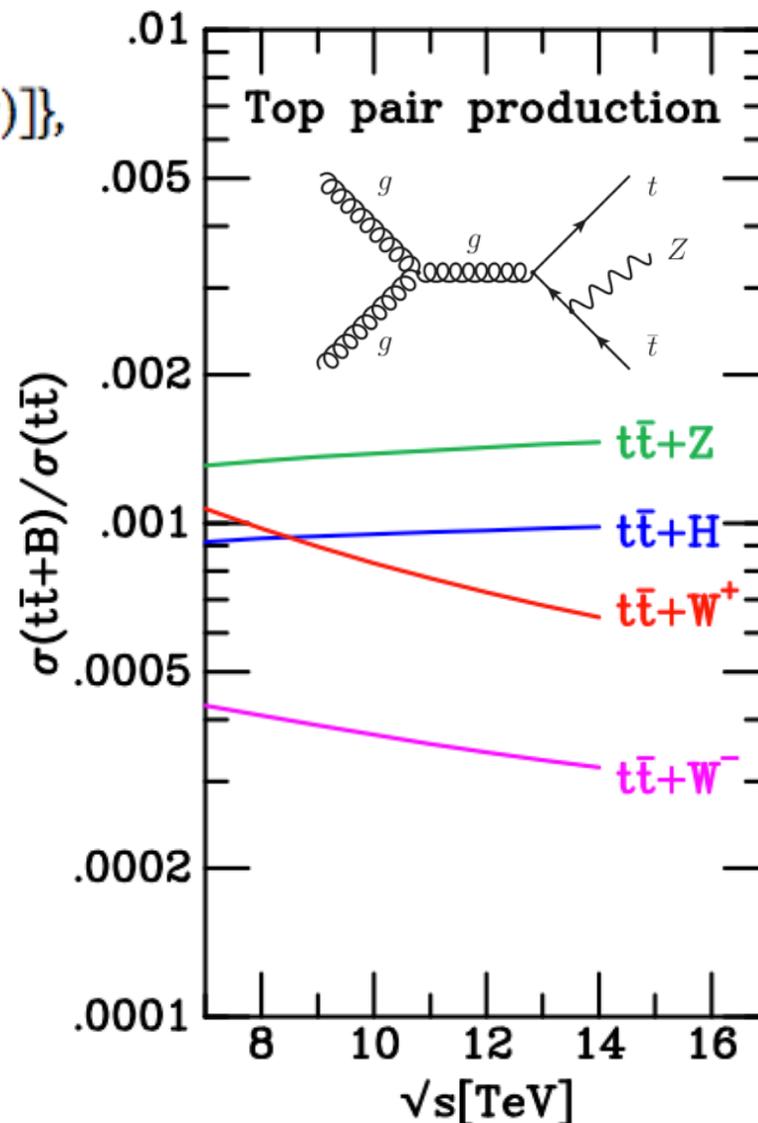
**Dataset Required:**

$\sim 100 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  @ 13-14 TeV

**State of the Art:**

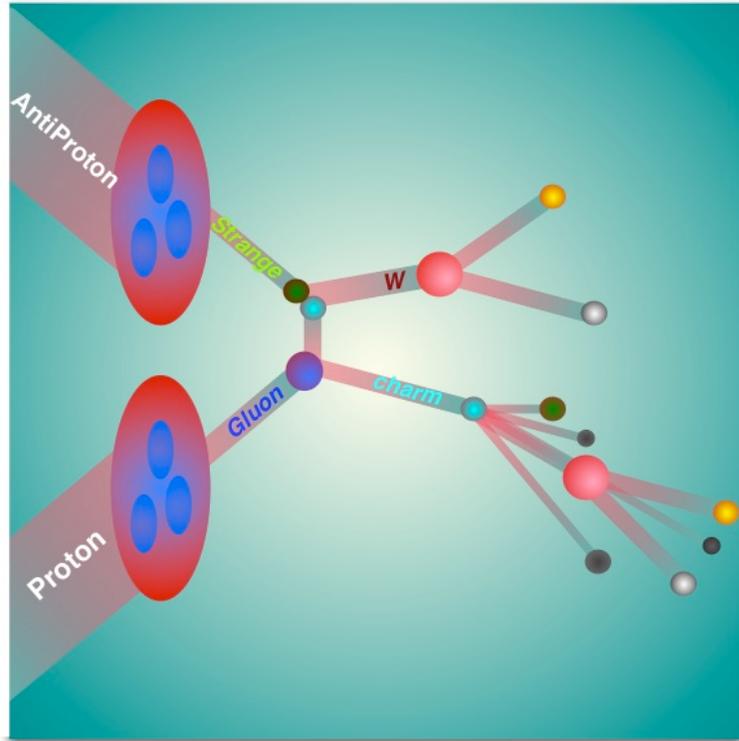
No direct limit on couplings.  $ttZ$  observed

**Target Sensitivity:**  $\sim 80\%$  on Vector,  
 $\sim 20\%$  on AV



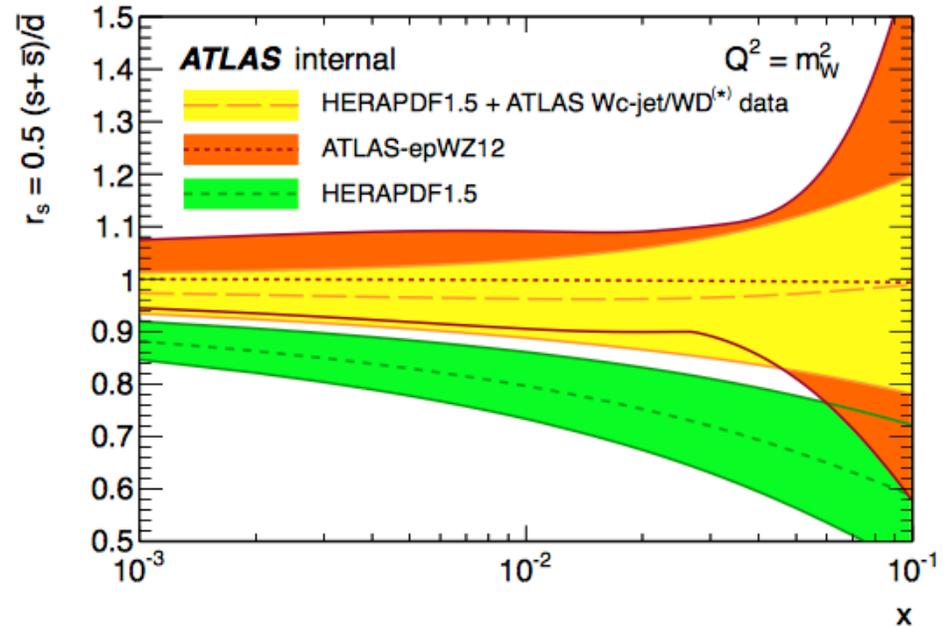
# Unexpected directions

$pp \rightarrow W + \text{charm}$

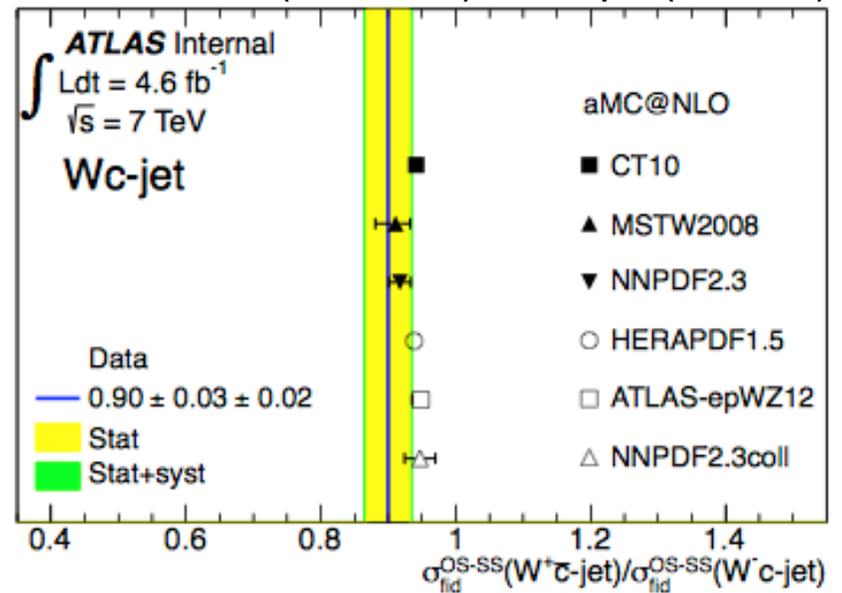


L. Cerrito, CDF, Phys. Rev. Lett. 110, 071801 (2013)

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$\sigma(W^+c/W^-c), c \rightarrow X\mu\nu$  (ATLAS)



L. Cerrito et al., JHEP05 068 (2014)

# Summary

- Top quarks are **central to** many scenarios of physics beyond the standard model (**BSM**)
- Top physics properties and dynamics has so far indicated **SM behaviour** on all observables (**modulo  $A_{FB}$  somewhat**)
- The LHC and HL-LHC will give an extraordinary amount of top quark data: accessing **processes of  $O(\text{fb})$**
- Proposed a few measurements for the period **2015-2020**, which might point to BSM.