

# Top Physics at Hadron Colliders

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- Top mass
- Spin correlations
- Single top
- FCNC
- $t\bar{t}$  as background

# Motivation

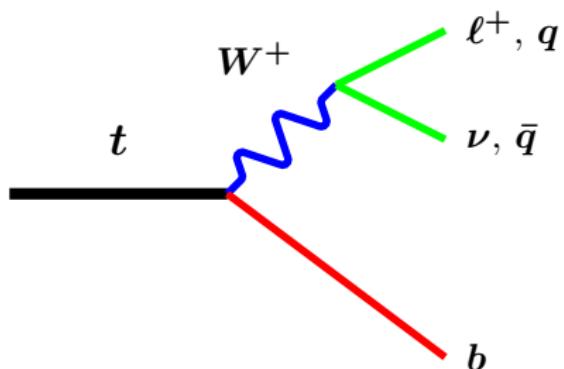
## Why top physics?

- Large mass  $\sim 175$  GeV  
heaviest known fundamental particle
- $m_t$  in the order of EWSB
- Lifetime  $5 \cdot 10^{-25}$  s shorter than hadronization time  
“free quark”
- $\text{BR}(t \rightarrow W b) \approx 100\%$  (in Standard Model)
- Top-Higgs Yukawa coupling  $\sim 1$
- background for many discovery channels

## What to study

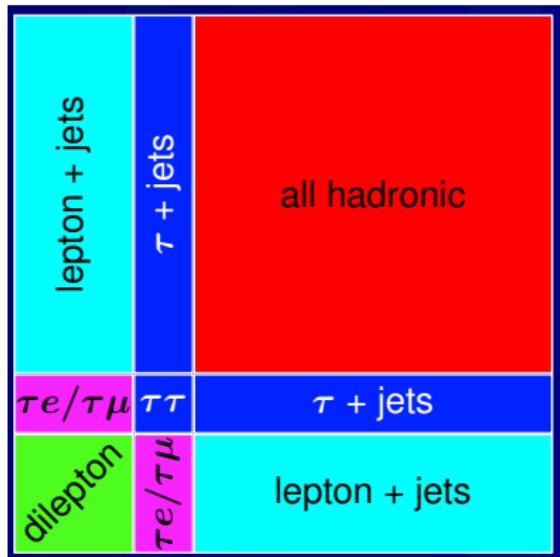
- production cross section
- production kinematics
- resonances
- spin
- charge
- width
- mass
- W helicity
- CP violation
- anomalous couplings
- $|V_{tb}|$
- branching ratios
- rare/non-SM decays

# Characteristics of top decays and top-quark pairs



$t \rightarrow Wb \sim 100\%$

Reconstruction involves  
electrons, muons, jets, b-jets,  
 $\cancel{E}_T$



- all had: large BR, large BG
- $\ell+\text{jets}$ : BR & BG manageable
- dilepton: low BR & BG

# The Tevatron

Run I phase: 1992–1996

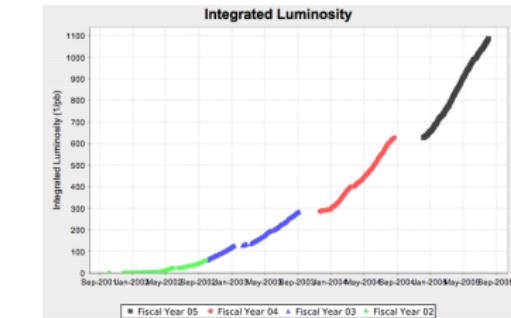
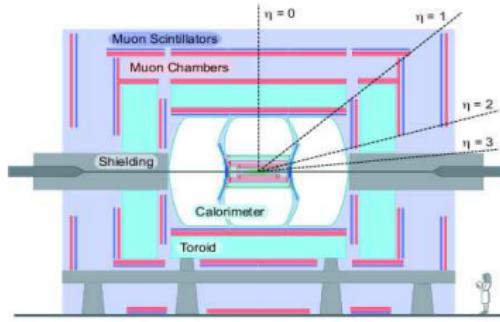
Run II phase: 2001–

p $\bar{p}$  collisions at  $\sqrt{s} = 1.96$  TeV

D $\emptyset$  and CDF multi purpose detectors

- Tracking in magnetic field.
- Silicon tracker
- Calorimeters
- Muon chambers

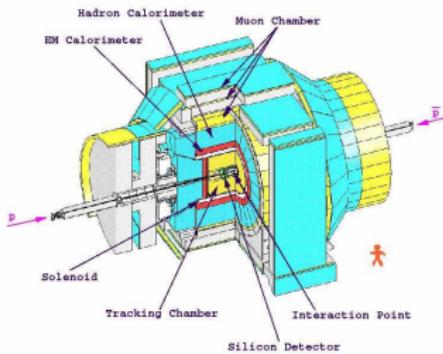
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More than  $1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  delivered!

Current analyses use up to  $\sim 400 \text{ pb}^{-1}$ .

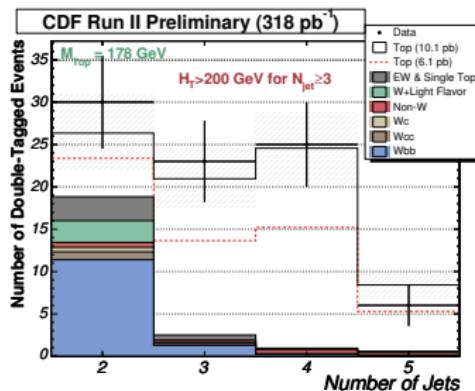
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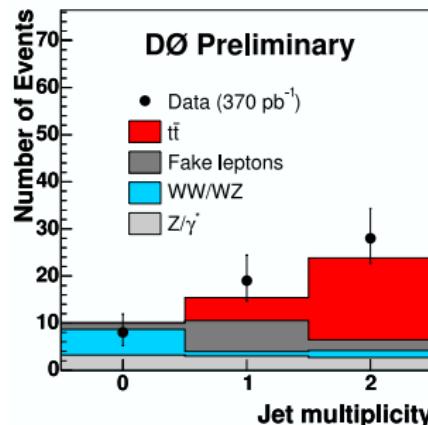
# Tevatron: Top-pair production cross section

- main production mode at Tevatron
- Theory prediction  $\sigma_{t\bar{t}} \approx 7 \text{ pb}$  (Cacciari et al., JHEP 0404:068,2004)
- final states:  $\ell + \text{jets}$ , dilepton, full hadronic
- topological or b-tagged analyses
- main backgrounds (in  $\ell + \text{jets}$ ): W+jets, QCD multijet
- $\sigma_{t\bar{t}} = (N_{obs} - N_{bkg}) / \left( \varepsilon \cdot A \cdot \int \mathcal{L} dt \right)$

CDF,  $\ell + \text{jets}$ , double-tag

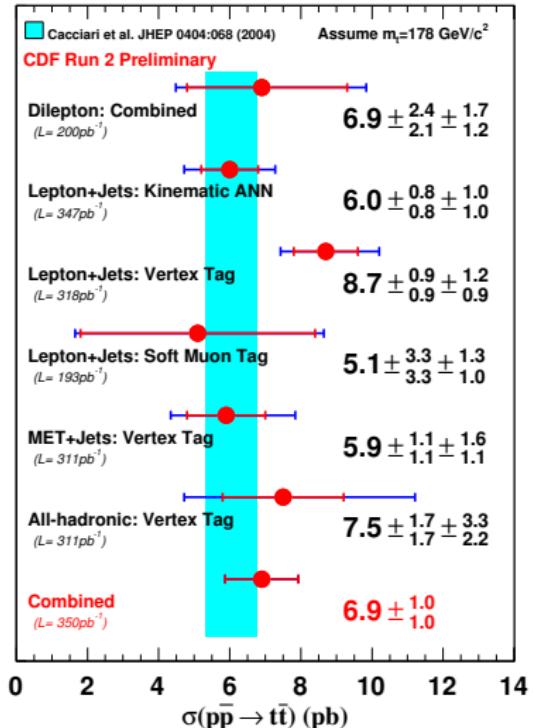


DØ, di-lepton

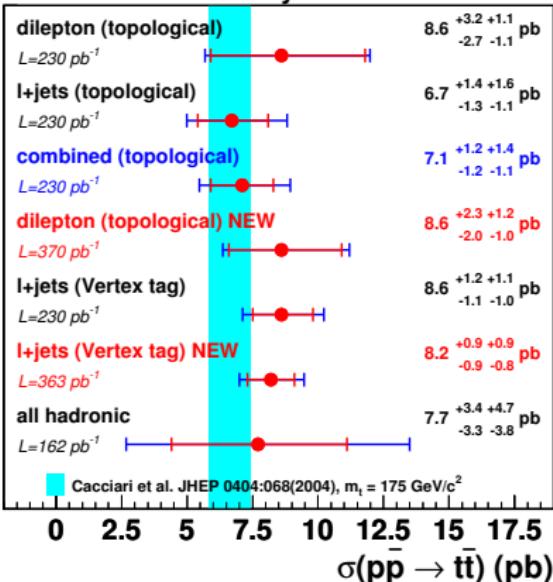


# Tevatron: Top-pair production cross section

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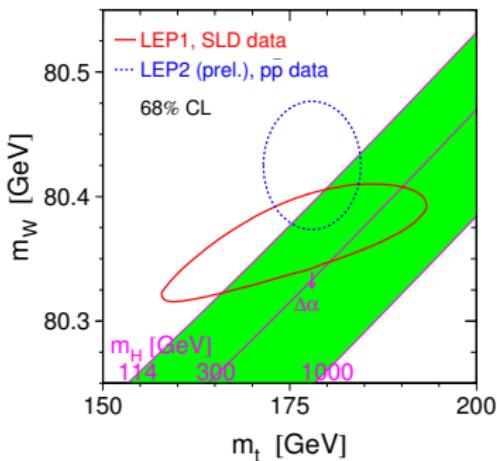
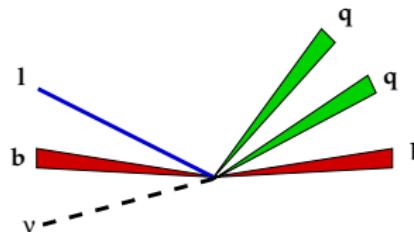


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# Tevatron: Mass of the top quark

- top mass is of fundamental interest
- small  $\Delta m_t$  helps to constrain predictions for Higgs mass
- advanced analysis techniques needed (matrix element, ideogram, templates, dynamic likelihood, neutrino weighting)
- channels:  $\ell + \text{jets}$ , dilepton with and without b-tagging  
(b-tag suppresses bkg. + reduces combinatorics)
- limited by syst. uncertainties; jet energy scale being dominant

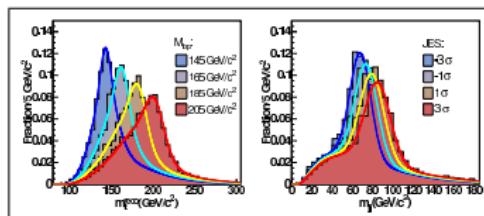


# CDF: Template method

$\chi^2$  minimization to reconstruct  $m_t$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \chi^2 &= \sum_{i=\ell, 4\text{jets}} \frac{(\hat{p}_T^i - p_T^i)^2}{\sigma_i^2} + \sum_{j=x,y} \frac{(\hat{p}_j^{UE} - p_j^{UE})^2}{\sigma_j^2} \\ &+ \frac{(m_{jj} - m_W)^2}{\Gamma_W^2} + \frac{(m_{\ell\nu} - m_W)^2}{\Gamma_W^2} + \frac{(m_{bjj} - m_t^{reco})^2}{\Gamma_t^2} + \frac{(m_{b\ell\nu} - m_t^{reco})^2}{\Gamma_t^2} \end{aligned}$$

- b-tagging reduces combinatorics
- 4 subsamples: 2, 1(L), 1(T), 0 tags
- In-situ JES calibration from  $m_W$  constraint
- template fits  $m_t^{reco}$  and  $m_{jj}$  from Herwig

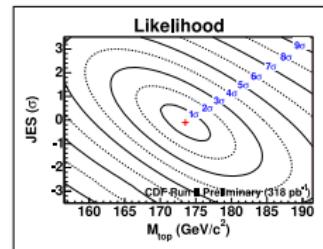
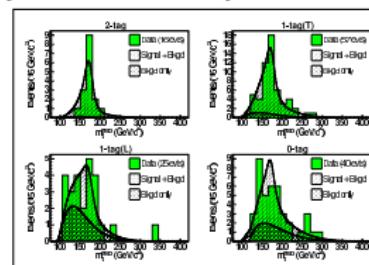


$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{sample}} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{shape}}^{m_t^{reco}} \times \mathcal{L}_{\text{shape}}^{m_{jj}} \times \mathcal{L}_{\text{nev}} \times \mathcal{L}_{\text{bg}}$$

$$\text{total LH: } \mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{2\text{tag}} \times \mathcal{L}_{1\text{tag}(T)} \times \mathcal{L}_{1\text{tag}(L)} \times \mathcal{L}_{0\text{tag}}$$

$$m_t = (173.5^{+2.7}_{-2.6}(\text{stat.}) \pm 2.5(\text{JES}) \pm 3.0(\text{syst.})) \text{ GeV}$$

( $\mathcal{L} = 318 \text{ pb}^{-1}$ )



# DØ Matrix element method

- makes maximal use of information in event by calculating probability for event to be signal or background from the ME

- $P(x; M_{top}) = \frac{1}{\sigma} \int d^n \sigma(y; M_{top}) dq_1 dq_2 f(q_1) f(q_2) W(x, y)$

- LO matrix element differential cross section
- $f(q)$  probability distribution of initial parton having momentum  $q$
- probability of parton level variable  $y$  to be measured as variable  $x$

- Input: 4-vectors of final-state particles, acceptance, resolution of detector

- maximize a likelihood  $L$  as a function of  $m_{top}$

- In-situ JES calibration

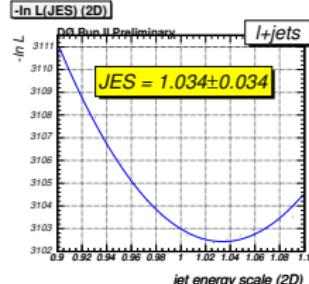
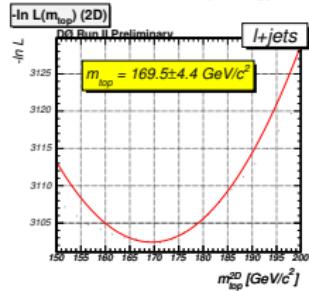
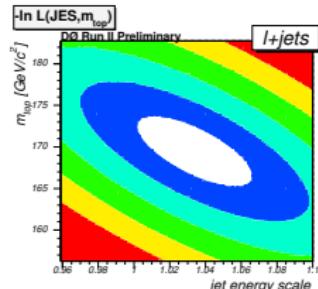
- $P_{evt}(x; m_t, JES) = f_{top} \cdot P_{sgn}(x; m_t, JES) + (1 - f_{top}) \cdot P_{bkg}(x; JES)$

- exactly 4 jets, no b-tagging

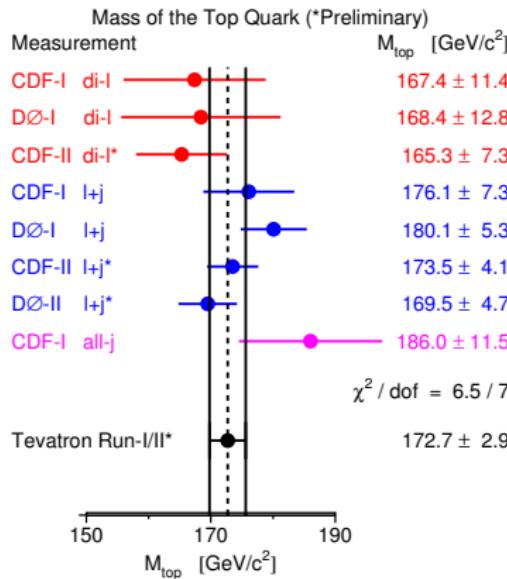
- 150 candidates,  $f_{top} = 0.364$

preliminary result:

$$m_t = (169.5 \pm 4.4(\text{stat.+JES})^{+1.7}_{-1.6}(\text{syst.})) \text{ GeV} \quad (320 \text{ pb}^{-1})$$



# Tevatron: Combined result



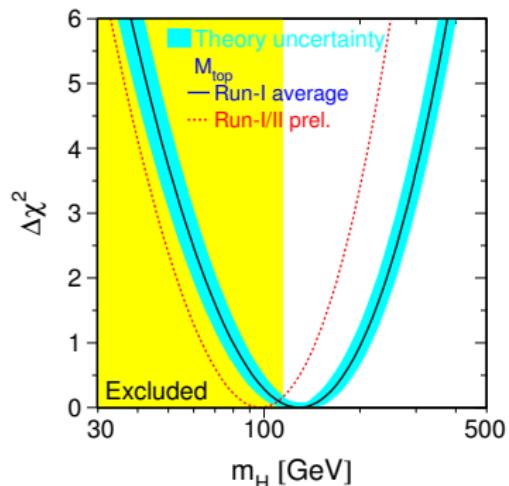
Preliminary world average:

$$m_t = (172.7 \pm 1.7[\text{stat.}] \pm 2.4[\text{syst.}]) \text{ GeV}$$

Combination weights (%)

Run-I published		Run-II preliminary	
CDF	DØ	CDF	DØ
all-j, $\ell+j$ , di- $\ell$	$\ell+j$ , di- $\ell$	$\ell+j$	di- $\ell$
1.9	20.9	36.0	8.0

## Electroweak fits

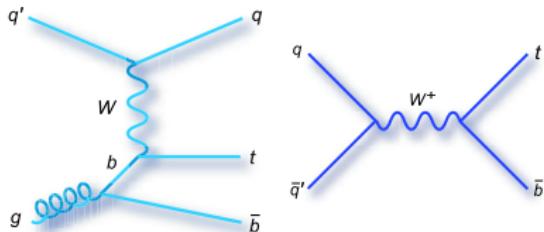


$$m_H = 91^{+45}_{-32} \text{ GeV}$$

$$m_H < 186 \text{ GeV} \quad (95\% \text{ CL})$$

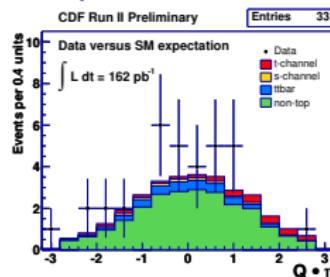
(direct LEP-2 limit not included)

# Tevatron: Search for single top



CDF:  $162 \text{ pb}^{-1}$

## Templates



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$s+t < 17.8 \text{ pb} @ 95\% \text{ C.L.}$   
 $t < 10.1 \text{ pb}$   
 $s < 13.6 \text{ pb}$

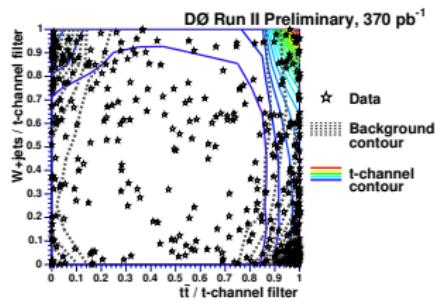
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- NLO prediction:  
 $\sigma_{t\text{-channel}} = 1.98 \pm 0.25 \text{ pb},$   
 $\sigma_{s\text{-channel}} = 0.88 \pm 0.11 \text{ pb}$

- high  $p_T$  lepton, missing  $E_T$ , 2 jets

DØ:  $370 \text{ pb}^{-1}$

## Likelihood discriminant



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$t < 5.0 \text{ pb} @ 95\% \text{ C.L.}$   
 $s < 6.4 \text{ pb}$

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# Tevatron: More top topics

$$R = BR(t \rightarrow Wb)/BR(t \rightarrow Wq)$$

CDF  $R = 1.12^{+0.27}_{-0.23}$  (stat + syst) ( $162 \text{ pb}^{-1}$ )

DØ  $R = 1.03^{+0.19}_{-0.17}$  (stat + syst) ( $230 \text{ pb}^{-1}$ )

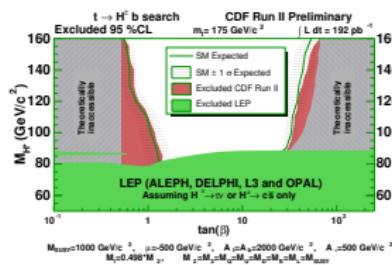
Turn it into limits:

CDF:  $R > 0.61$  @95% CL

DØ:  $R > 0.64$  @95% CL

## Charged Higgs

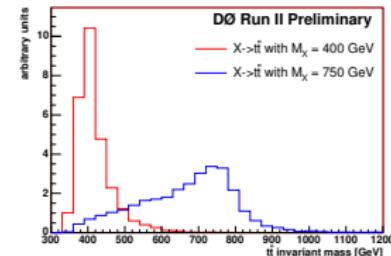
- in MSSM:  $t \rightarrow H + b$  competes with  $t \rightarrow Wb$
- $BR(t \rightarrow Hb) < 0.7$  @ 95% CL for  $80 \text{ GeV} < m_H < 150 \text{ GeV}$



- Anomalous gtt couplings: no deviation from SM
- Top charge:  $2/3$  or  $-4/3$ ?  $\rightarrow$  soon to come

## Resonances $X \rightarrow t\bar{t}$

- Search for narrow-width heavy resonance
- $\ell + \text{jets}$  final state
- use lifetime tag to identify b-jets
- based on  $370 \text{ pb}^{-1}$  of integrated luminosity
- backgrounds: non-resonant SM  $t\bar{t}$ ,  $W + \text{jets}$ , multijet with fake lepton
- $M_{Z'} < 680 \text{ GeV}$ ,  $\Gamma_{Z'} = 0.012 M_Z$  excluded in technicolor models @ 95% CL



## W helicity

CDF  $f_+ < 0.18$  at 95% CL (Run I)

CDF  $f_0 = 0.25^{+0.35}_{-0.21}$  ( $194, 162 \text{ pb}^{-1}$ )

DØ  $f_+ < 0.25$  at 95% CL ( $230, 370 \text{ pb}^{-1}$ )

# Top mass systematics

Jet energy scale is by far the dominant systematic in most top results.

(and will be so at LHC!)

Example:

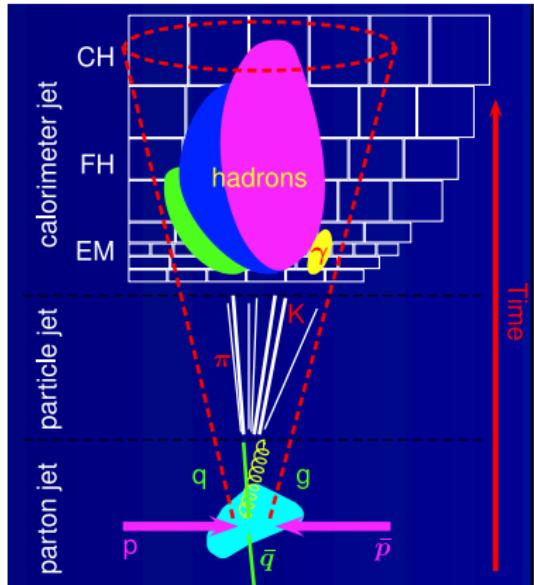
$$\Delta m_t^{\text{Tevatron}}(\text{all}) = 2.4 \text{ GeV}$$

$$\Delta m_t^{\text{Tevatron}}(\text{JES}) = 2.0 \text{ GeV}$$

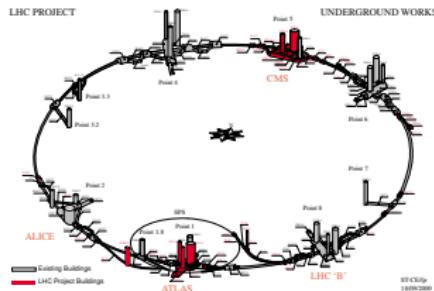
In DØ:

$$E_{corr} = \frac{E_{meas} - \text{Offset}}{\text{Response} \times \text{Showering}}$$

using zero + minimum bias events  
 $\gamma + \text{jets}$ ,  $Z + \text{jets}$ , dijet events  
( $Z \rightarrow b\bar{b}$  in the future(?))



# The Large Hadron Collider



Atlas pit webcam



- pp collision at  $\sqrt{s} = 14 \text{ TeV}$
- initial low lumi:  $\mathcal{L} \lesssim 10^{33} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$ 
  - $\lesssim 2$  minimum bias
  - $10 \text{ fb}^{-1}/\text{year}$
- design high lumi  $\mathcal{L} \lesssim 10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$ 
  - $\approx 20$  minimum bias
  - $100 \text{ fb}^{-1}/\text{year}$

CMS construction webcam



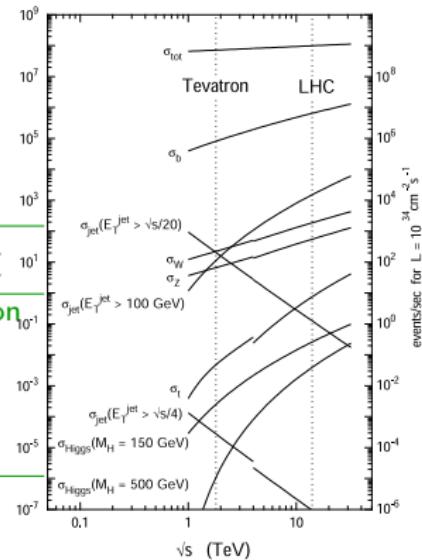
# Top physics at the LHC

- top-quark factory
- calibrate detector
- precision measurements
- test for new physics
- major background to new physics

Process	N/s	N/yr	total collected before LHC start (nb)
$W \rightarrow \ell\nu$	15	$10^8$	$10^4$ LEP / $10^7$ Tevatron
$Z \rightarrow ee$	1.5	$10^7$	$10^7$ LEP
$t\bar{t}$	1	$10^7$	$10^4$ Tevatron
$b\bar{b}$	$10^6$	$10^{12-13}$	$10^9$ Belle/BaBar (?)
H(130)	0.02	$10^5$	?

Production mechanism:

$$90\% gg \rightarrow t\bar{t}$$
$$10\% qq \rightarrow t\bar{t}$$



# Top mass @ LHC

- Large production rate ( $\sim 8M$   $t\bar{t}$  pairs/yr) → small stat. error on  $m_t$   
 $10 \text{ fb}^{-1} \rightarrow \Delta m_t(\text{stat.}) \approx 0.07 \text{ GeV.}$
- golden channel: lepton + jets
- b-tagging is crucial reduces physics and combinatorial bkg.
- In-situ jet energy calibration from  $m_W$  constraint

Typical selection:

- isolated lepton  $p_T > 20 \text{ GeV}$
- $\cancel{E}_T > 20 \text{ GeV}$
- 4 jets with  $p_T > 40 \text{ GeV}$
- at least 1 b-tagged jet
- typical selection efficiency:  
5–10%
- Main bkg. from  $W/Z+jets$ ,  
 $WW/ZZ,WZ < 2\%$

# $m_t$ in the $\ell + \text{jets}$ channel @ LHC

hadronic side:

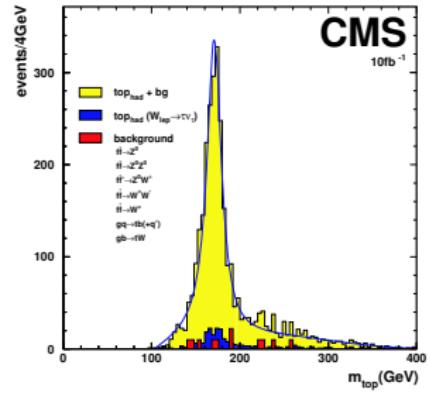
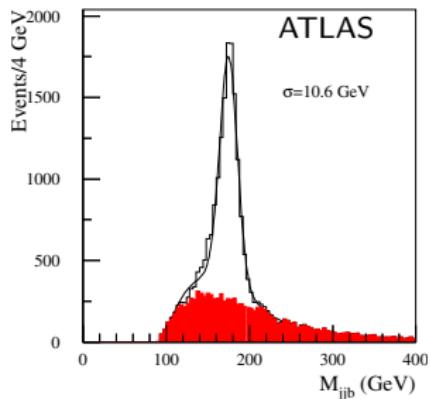
- pair of non-tagged jets with  $m_{jj}$  closest to  $m_W$   
 $|m_{jj} - m_W| < 20 \text{ GeV}$
- assign b-jet to reconstructed  $W_{\text{had}}$

	1b-tag	2b-tags
purity (%)	65	69
eff (%)	2.5	1.2

- external JES calibration 5–10%
- $\Delta \text{JES} = 1\% \rightarrow \Delta m_t = 1.6 \text{ GeV}$
- light and b-JES from  $Z + \text{jets} \rightarrow 1\%$ , but biases  $m_W \rightarrow$  need in-situ calibration from  $m_W$ 
  - $\rightarrow \Delta m_t < 2 \text{ GeV}$  (syst+stat)
  - FSR: 1 GeV, b-JES  $0.7 \times \xi\%$

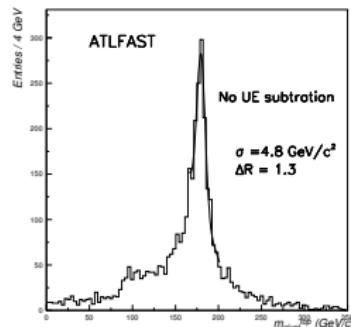
Kinematic fit

- reconstruct whole event
- kinematic fit to  $t\bar{t}$  hypothesis
  - $\rightarrow \Delta m_t \sim 1 \text{ GeV}$

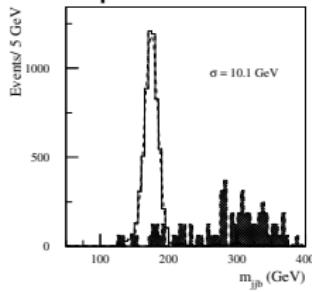


# Other approaches: High $p_T$ $t\bar{t}$ events

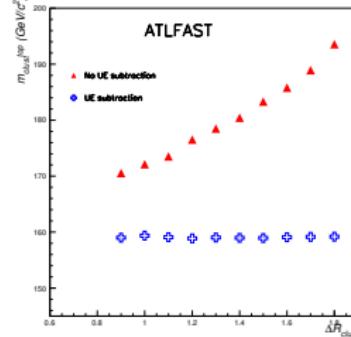
- $\ell + \text{jets}$  channel
- $p_T > 200$  GeV
- “two-hemisphere” topology
- jets from  $t \rightarrow jjb$  overlay  
→ reconstruct cells in large cone, not individual jets



Also possible in all-jets channel:

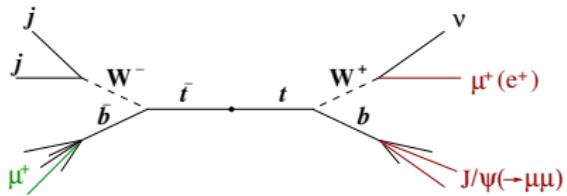


Underlying event subtraction

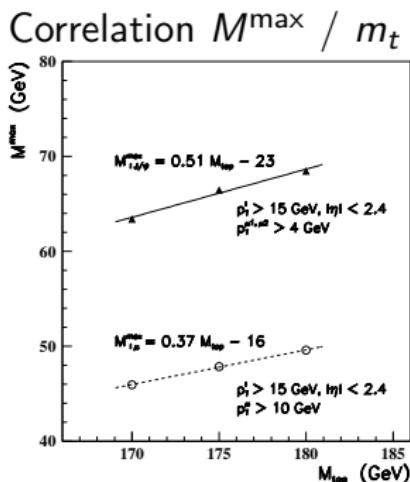
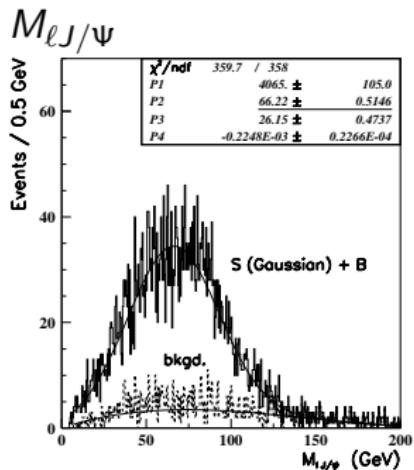


# Other approaches: Top mass with J/ $\psi$

CMS



- very clean signature
- BR  $\sim 5.3 \times 10^{-5}$  (needs high lumi)
- $\sim 1000$  evts/yr



syst. uncertainty on  $m_t \lesssim 1 \text{ GeV}$

# Spin correlations

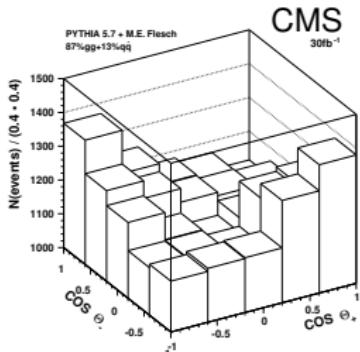
- spin information in  $t\bar{t}$  events not diluted due to hadronization
- test SM properties of top quark; probe presence of non-SM interactions
- $\mathcal{A} = \frac{N(t_L\bar{t}_L + t_R\bar{t}_R) - N(t_L\bar{t}_R + t_R\bar{t}_L)}{N(t_L\bar{t}_L + t_R\bar{t}_R) + N(t_L\bar{t}_R + t_R\bar{t}_L)}$
- SM prediction:  $\mathcal{A}(gg) = 0.431$ ,  $\mathcal{A}(qQ) = -0.469$   
 $\rightarrow \mathcal{A}(\text{LHC}) = 0.311$
- Use dilepton final state  
observables:  $\theta^+, \theta^-$ : angle between lepton and top in  $t\bar{t}$  rest frame

- fit double differential

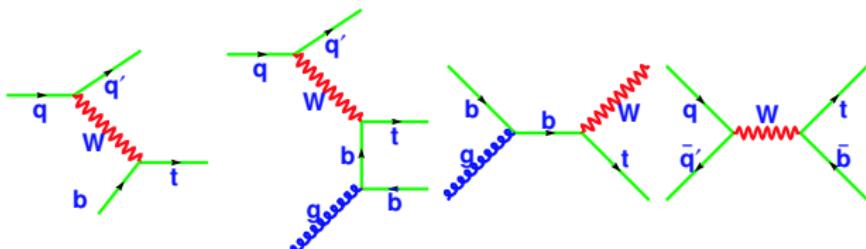
$$\frac{1}{N} \frac{d^2N}{d \cos \theta_{\ell^+}^* d \cos \theta_{\ell^-}^*} = \frac{1}{4} (1 - \mathcal{A} \cos \theta_{\ell^+}^* \cos \theta_{\ell^-}^*)$$

- CMS result for  $30 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ :

$$\Delta \mathcal{A}(\text{stat}) = 0.035, \quad \Delta \mathcal{A}(\text{syst}) = 0.028$$



# Single top



Wg fusion:  $244 \text{ pb}^{-1}$

Wt:  $60 \text{ pb}^{-1}$

W\*:  $10 \text{ pb}^{-1}$

- Precise determination of W-t-b vertex and coupling strength
- Main backgrounds (xsec in pb)

	$\sigma$	$\sigma \times \text{BR}(W \rightarrow \ell\nu)$
t̄t	833	246
Wbb	300	67
Wjj	$19 \cdot 10^3$	$4 \cdot 10^3$

$$\int \mathcal{L} dt = 30 \text{ fb}^{-1}$$

Process	S	B	S/B
Wg fusion	27k	8.5k	3.1
Wt	6.8k	30k	0.22
W*	1.1k	2.4k	0.46

## Measurement of $V_{tb}$

Process	$\Delta V_{tb}(\text{stat.})$	$\Delta V_{tb}(\text{theory})$
Wg fusion	0.4%	6%
Wt	1.4%	6%
W*	2.7%	5%

Critical: fake lepton rate, b-ID and fake rate, reconstruction of low energy jets, reconstruction of forward jets

# More top topics

## FCNC top decays...

$t \rightarrow qZ$ ,  $t \rightarrow q\gamma$ ,  $t \rightarrow qg$   
... strongly suppressed in SM  
( $\text{BR}_{t \rightarrow qX}$  [ $X=Z,\gamma,g$ ] <  $10^{-10}$ )

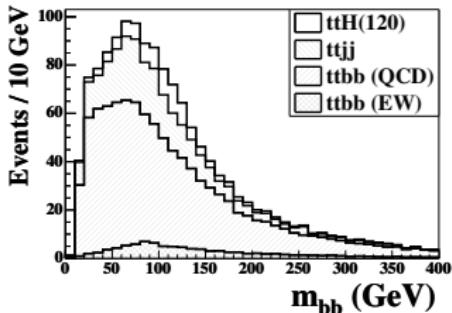
BRs can be strongly enhanced in models like SUSY, multi-Higgs doublets, exotic quarks

ATLAS sensitive to branching ratios  $10^{-3}$ – $10^{-4}$  (with  $100 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ )

## Top as background

$t\bar{t}$  major background to many new physics processes ( $t\bar{t}H^0$ , ...)

Example:  $t\bar{t}H^0$ ,  $H^0 \rightarrow b\bar{b}$



- $\sigma_{t\bar{t}} + X \approx 1000 \times \sigma(t\bar{t}H^0(120))$
- need precise knowledge of rate and shape of  $t\bar{t} + X$  background
- should be obtained from the data
- requires excellent b-tagging performance

# Conclusions

## Tevatron

- a variety of analysis techniques applied to get the best out of the data (multivariate techniques, b-tagging, matrix element calculations, ...)
- results not limited by statistics any more (JES largest uncertainty)
- latest combination:  $m_t = (172.7 \pm 1.7[\text{stat.}] \pm 2.4[\text{syst.}]) \text{ GeV}$

## LHC

- ... will produce a plethora of top quarks ( $\sim 8M/\text{yr}$  at low luminosity)
- expect precise results after only one year of data taking  
... once the detectors are understood...
- measurements will be limited by systematics
- precise tests of the SM, search for new physics with top events
- $t\bar{t}$  background for discoveries  
(→ rates and shapes need to be studies in data)