

Probing new physics at the LHC: searches for heavy top-like quarks with the ATLAS experiment

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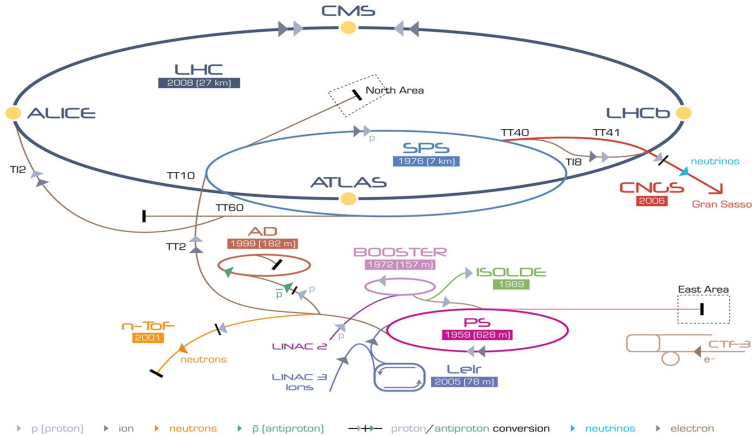
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Parameter	designed	2010	2011	2012
Beam energy (TeV/c)	7	3.5	3.5	4
Beta function β^* (m)	0.55	2.0/3.5	1.5/1.0	0.6
Max. No. bunches/beam	2808	368	1380	1380
Max. No. protons/bunch	1.15×10^{11}	1.2×10^{11}	1.45×10^{11}	1.7×10^{11}
Bunch spacing (ns)	25	150	75/50	50
Peak luminosity ($\text{cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$)	1×10^{34}	2.1×10^{32}	3.7×10^{33}	7.7×10^{33}
Emittance ε_n (μrad)	3.75	2.0	2.4	2.5
Max. $\langle \mu \rangle$	19	4	17	37

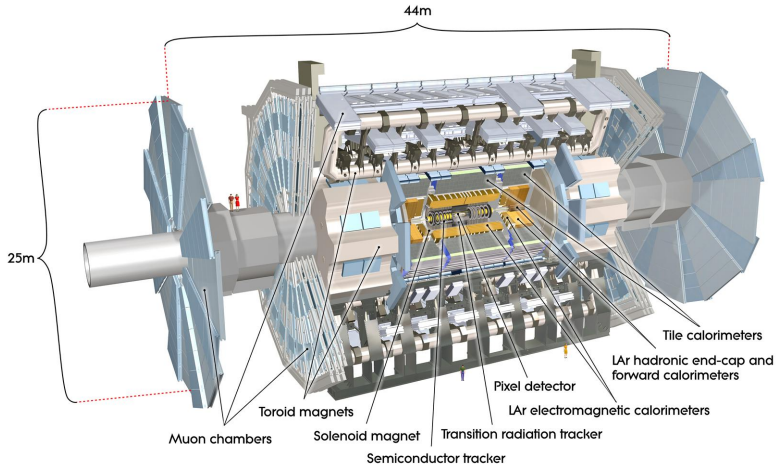


▶ p (proton) ▶ ion ▶ neutrons ▶ \bar{p} (antiproton) \leftrightarrow proton/antiproton conversion ▶ neutrinos ▶ electron

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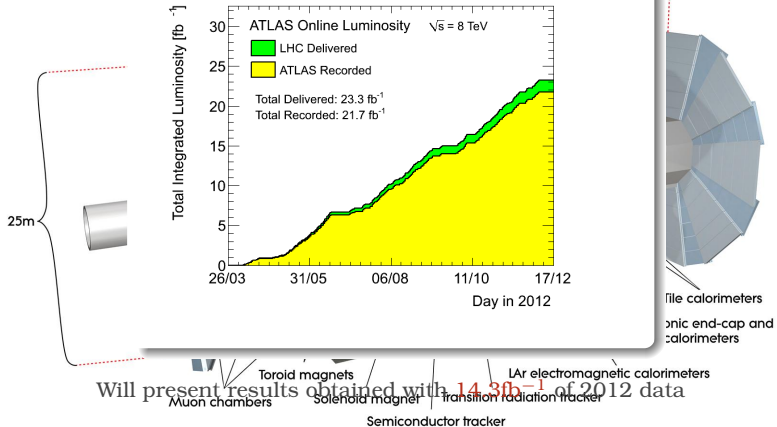
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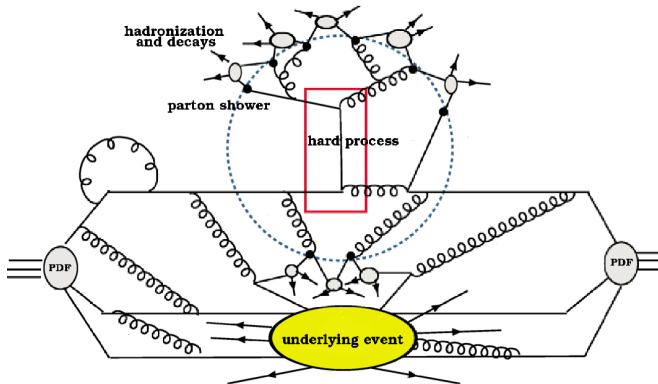
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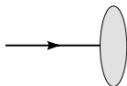
want to do physics at hadron colliders?
need a good understanding of incoming hadrons



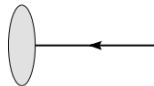
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Drawings from [1]

$$E(p_1) = 4 \text{ TeV}$$



$$E(p_2) = 4 \text{ TeV}$$

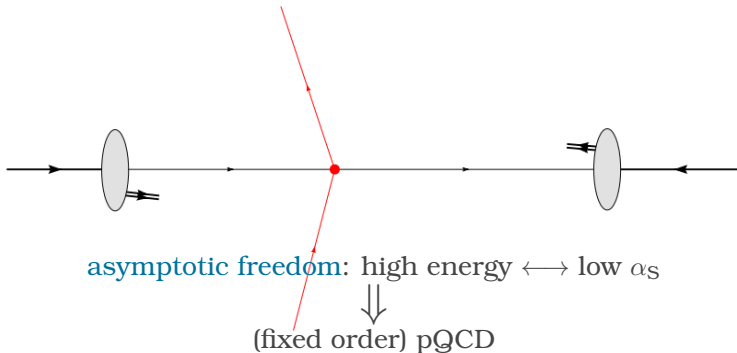


Quarks are distributed according to PDFs inside the proton

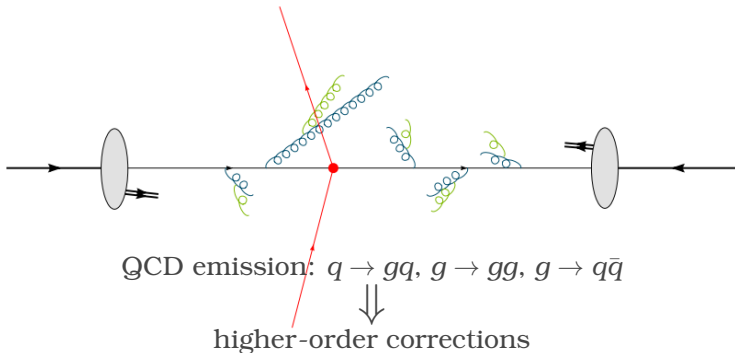


initial energy unknown

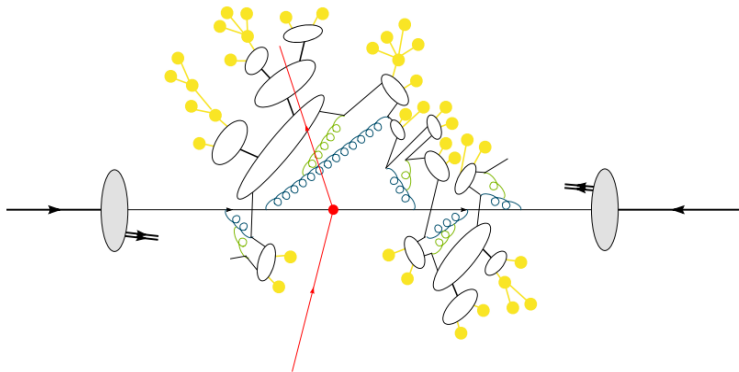
Hard scattering of two partons



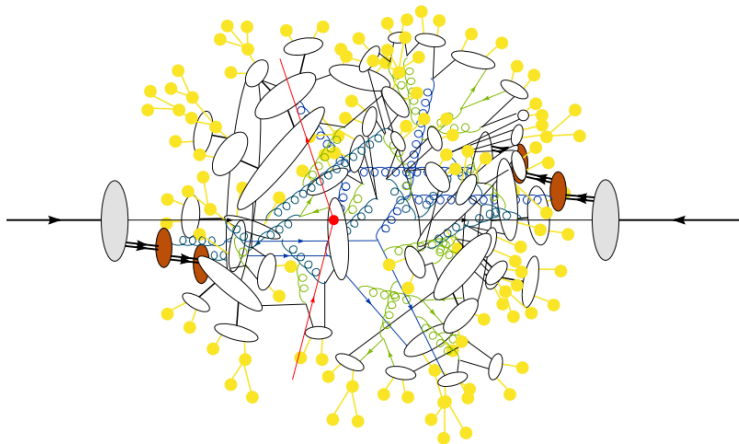
Parton showering



Hadronization



Underlying event simulation



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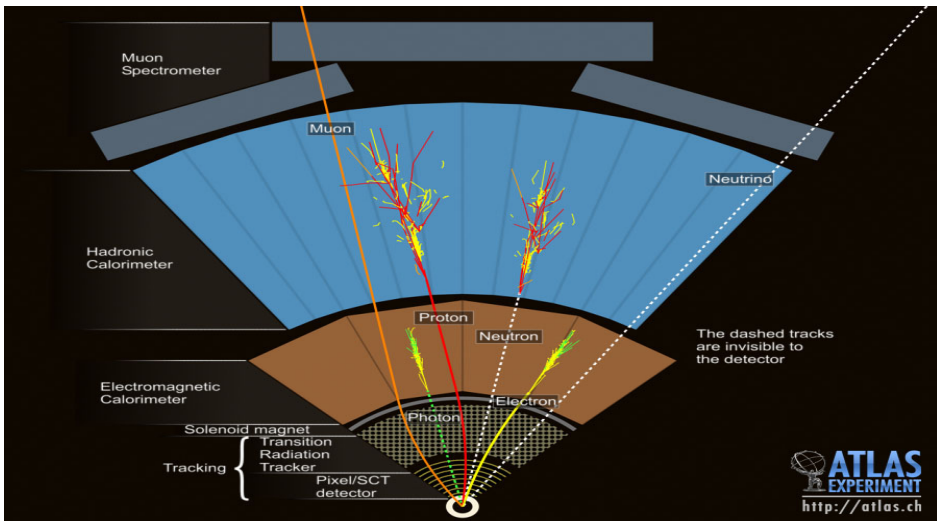
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Physics objects puzzle



One lepton

Many jets

Missing transverse energy

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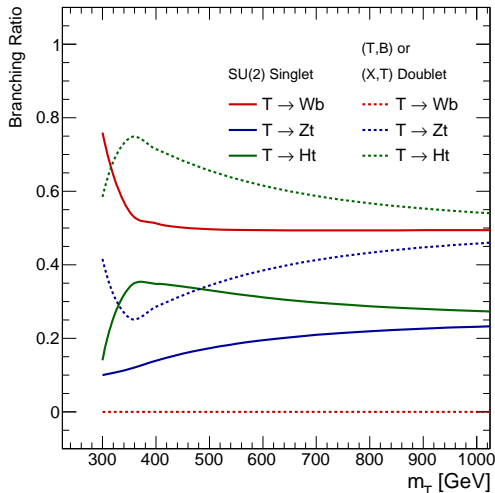
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Available signatures

Allowed decay modes

Singlet	Decay modes
$T(+2/3)$	$W^+ b, Ht, Zt$
$B(-1/3)$	$W^- t, Hb, Zb$
$X(+5/3)$	$W^+ t$
$Y(-4/3)$	$W^- b$

Doublet	Decay modes
$\begin{pmatrix} T \\ B \end{pmatrix}$	$W^+ b, Ht, Zt$ $W^- t, Hb, Zb$
$\begin{pmatrix} T \\ X \end{pmatrix}$	Ht, Zt $W^+ t$
$\begin{pmatrix} B \\ Y \end{pmatrix}$	Hb, Zb $W^- b$

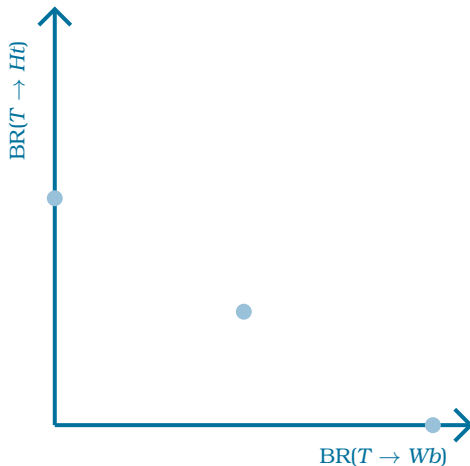


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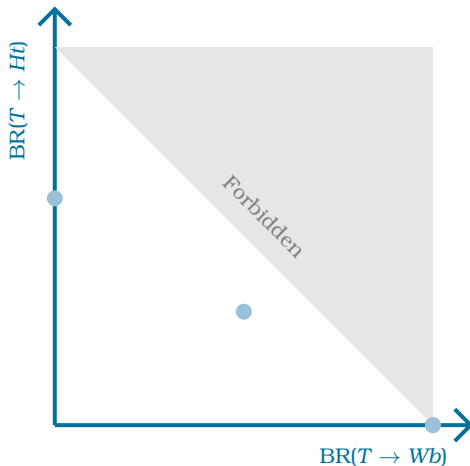
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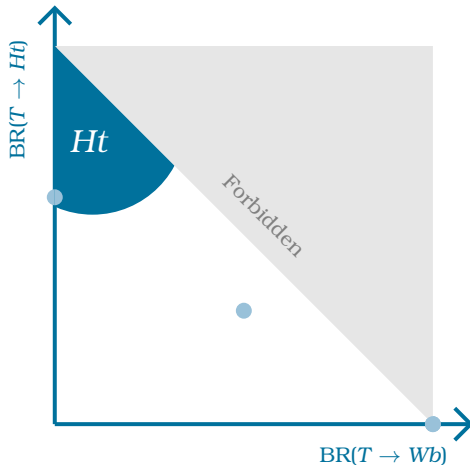


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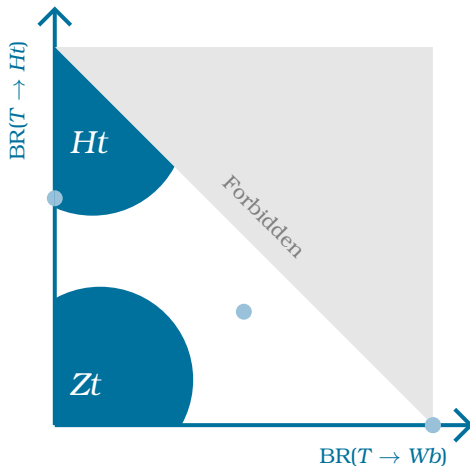


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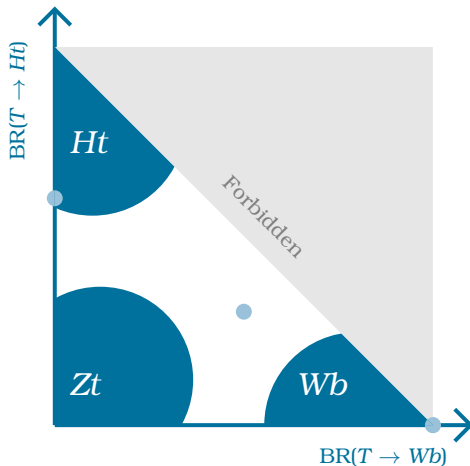


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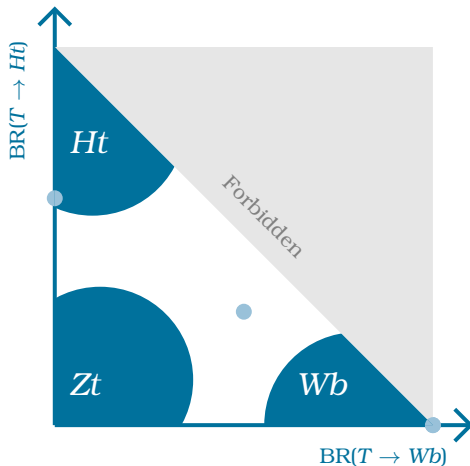


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- Set exclusion using CL_s technique [2, 3]

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Preselection

Two searches using common analysis framework:

► $T\bar{T} \rightarrow Wb + X$

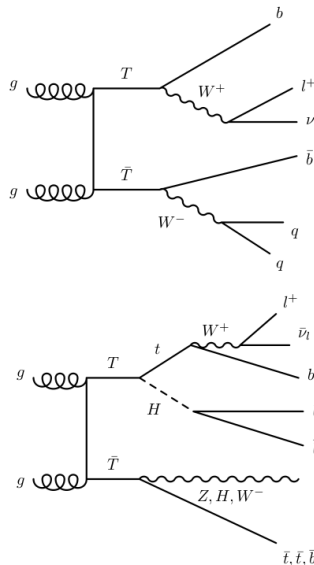
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ATLAS-CONF-2013-060 [5]

ATLAS-CONF-2013-018 [6]

Preselection stage	Requirements
Single lepton	One electron or muon matching trigger
QCD rejection	$E_T^{\text{miss}} > 20 \text{ GeV}$ $E_T^{\text{miss}} + m_T > 60 \text{ GeV}$
Jet multiplicity	≥ 4 jets ≥ 1 b -tagged jets

+ “orthogonality” requirements



Background and signal modelling

Yields in the preselection region “blinded” as:

$$H_T^{Aj} < 800 \text{ GeV } (*)$$

$\geq 4 \text{ jets}, \geq 1 \text{ } b\text{-tags}$

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► $t\bar{t}$ pair production in association with jets generated with MC@NLO+HERWIG

► $m_t = 172.5 \text{ GeV}$

► NNLO theoretical cross section

but

MC@NLO does not model well high-jet multiplicity regions!

► Additional samples generated with ALPGEN+HERWIG

► Separate samples are generated for $t\bar{t}$ +light jets with up to three additional light partons, and for $t\bar{t}$ +heavy-flavour jets including $t\bar{t}b\bar{b}$ and $t\bar{t}c\bar{c}$

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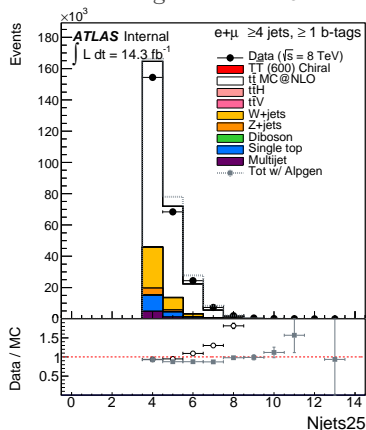
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 $\sim 3\text{-}8\%$ higher than MC@NLO



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W+jets:

- Samples generated separately for W+light jets, $Wb\bar{b}$ +jets, $Wc\bar{c}$ +jets, and Wc +jets
- Normalized to data-driven prediction

Z+jets:

- Samples generated separately for Z+light jets, $Zb\bar{b}$ +jets, and $Zc\bar{c}$ +jets
- Inclusive NNLO theoretical cross section

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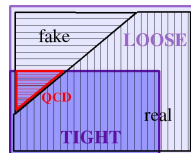
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- QCD multi-jet events have high cross-section
- Data-drive estimation
- Matrix-method



$$N_{\text{fake}}^{\text{tight}} = \frac{\epsilon_{\text{fake}}}{\epsilon_{\text{real}} - \epsilon_{\text{fake}}} (N^{\text{loose}} \epsilon_{\text{real}} - N^{\text{tight}})$$

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Single top:

- ▶ s-channel and Wt production generated with MC@NLO+HERWIG
- ▶ t-channel generated with ACERMC+PYTHIA
- ▶ $m_t = 172.5 \text{ GeV}$
- ▶ NNLO theoretical cross sections

Diboson:

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$t\bar{t}V$:

- ▶ $t\bar{t}$ produced in association with a W or Z boson generated with MADGRAPH+PYTHIA
- ▶ $m_t = 172.5 \text{ GeV}$
- ▶ NLO theoretical cross section

$t\bar{t}H$:

- ▶ $t\bar{t}$ produced in association with a Higgs boson generated with PYTHIA
- ▶ $m_t = 172.5 \text{ GeV}$, $m_H = 125 \text{ GeV}$
- ▶ Higgs decay modes considered: $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}, c\bar{c}, gg, W^+W^-$
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- ▶ $T\bar{T}$ singlet production generated with PROTOS+PYTHIA
- ▶ Branching ratio to each decay mode (Wb , Zt and Ht) is set to 1/3
- ▶ Events are reweighted at the analysis level in order to reproduce any desired branching ratio configuration
- ▶ m_T values generated from 350 GeV to 850 GeV in steps of 50 GeV
- ▶ $m_H = 125$ GeV, all Higgs boson decay modes are considered
- ▶ NNLO theoretical cross section

Systematic uncertainties - Shape and Norm

Systematic uncertainty	$T\bar{T} \rightarrow Wb + X$		$T\bar{T} \rightarrow Ht + X$	
	Status	Components	Status	Components
Luminosity	N	1	N	1
Lepton ID+reco+trigger	N	1	N	1
Jet vertex fraction efficiency	SN	1	SN	1
Jet energy scale	SN	1	SN	8
Jet energy resolution	SN	1	SN	1
b -tagging efficiency	SN	9	SN	9
c -tagging efficiency	SN	5	SN	5
Light jet-tagging efficiency	SN	1	SN	1
$t\bar{t}$ cross section	N	1	N	1
$t\bar{t}V$ cross section	N	1	N	1
$t\bar{t}H$ cross section	-	-	N	1
Single top cross section	N	1	N	1
Dibosons cross section	N	1	N	1
W +jets normalization	N	5	-	-
Z +jets normalization	N	1	-	-
V +jets normalization	-	-	N	1
Multijet normalization	-	-	N	1
$t\bar{t}$ modelling	SN	3	SN	3
V +jets modelling	SN	1	-	-
$t\bar{t}$ +heavy-flavour fractions	-	-	N	1

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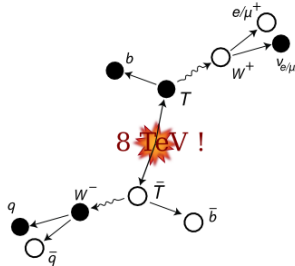
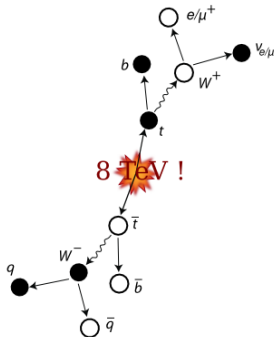
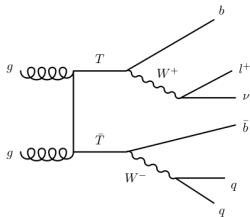
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Strategy

$$T\bar{T} \rightarrow WbWb$$

like

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different **boosted kinematics**

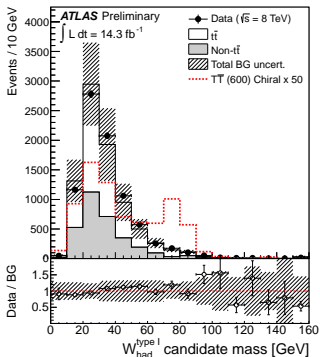
reconstruct the W boson from hadronic decay

$$\Delta R \sim \frac{2m}{p_T}$$

reconstruct heavy quark mass

W boson reconstruction

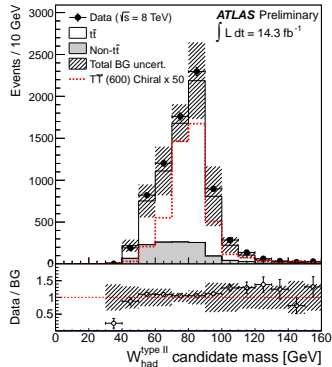
$W_{\text{had}}^{\text{type I}}$



one jet
 $p_T > 250 \text{ GeV}$
 $60 < M < 120 \text{ GeV}$

no $W_{\text{had}}^{\text{type I}}$
 di-jet system
 $\Delta R(j, j) < 0.8$
 $p_T > 200 \text{ GeV}$
 $60 < M < 120 \text{ GeV}$

$W_{\text{had}}^{\text{type II}}$



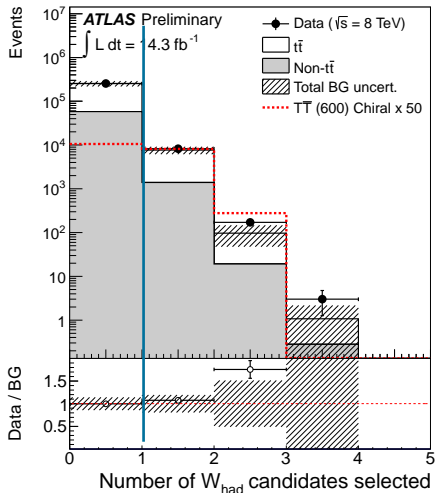
W_{lep} reconstructed using lepton and “neutrino”:

$$p_X, p_Y \text{ from } E_T^{\text{miss}}, p_Z \text{ from } M_W^2 = (p_l + p_\nu)^2$$

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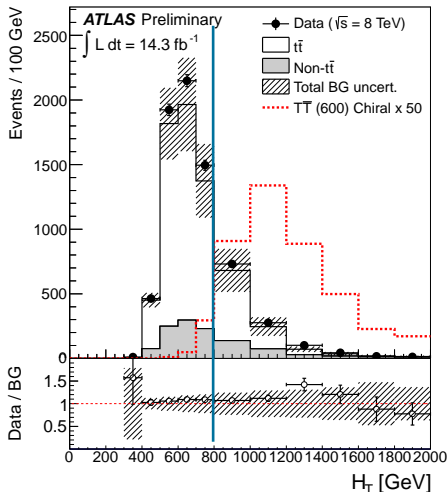
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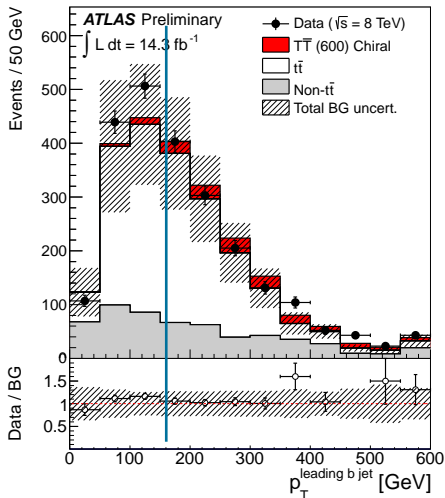
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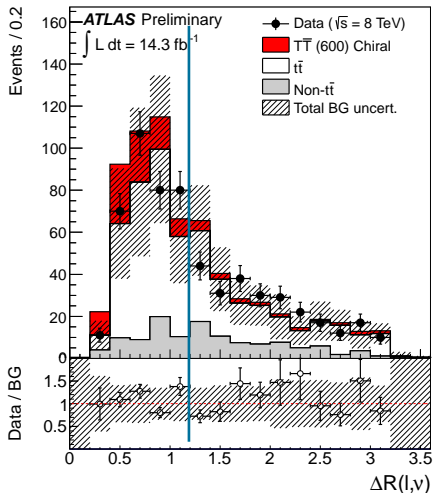
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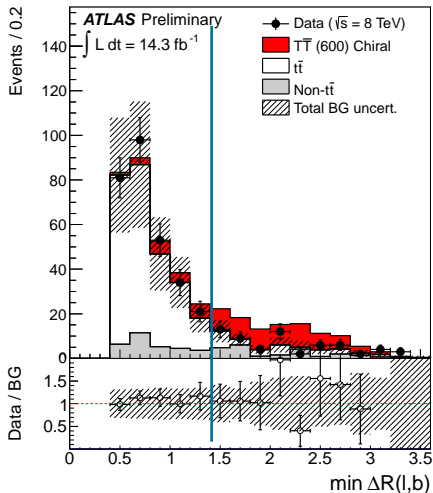
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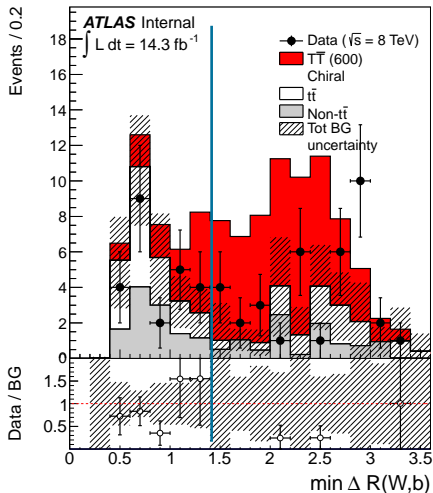
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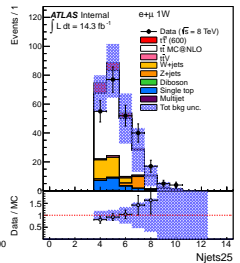
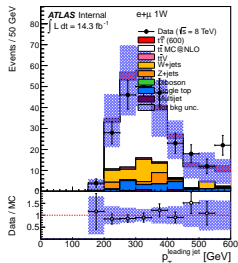
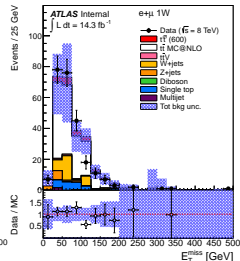
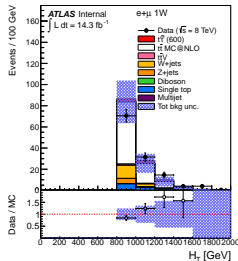
(before unblinding)

Check agreement between data and background prediction



Define regions depleted in signal

LOOSE but $\Delta R(\ell, \nu) > 1.2$			
$t\bar{t}$ (600 GeV)	$18.47 \pm$	1.48	$+1.09$ -1.64
$t\bar{t}$	$173.13 \pm$	8.82	$+46.92$ -48.59
W+jets	$30.64 \pm$	9.78	$+13.74$ -12.43
Z+jets	$11.68 \pm$	5.93	$+5.89$ -6.96
Diboson	$0.29 \pm$	0.19	$+0.17$ -0.17
Single top	$21.46 \pm$	2.54	$+2.60$ -2.54
$t\bar{t}V$	$4.21 \pm$	0.16	$+1.33$ -1.33
Multijet	$0.49 \pm$	$0.91 \pm$	0.25
Total bkg.	$241.90 \pm$	14.70	$+53.57$ -55.95
Data	250		



Signal to background discrimination

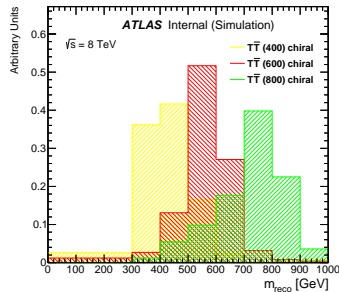
merged

	LOOSE	TIGHT
$t\bar{t}$	264 ± 80	10 ± 6
$t\bar{t}V$	5.1 ± 1.8	0.5 ± 0.2
W+jets	16 ± 11	6 ± 5
Z+jets	1.1 ± 1.4	0.2 ± 0.5
Single top	30 ± 7	4.4 ± 1.6
Dibosons	0.21 ± 0.15	0.06 ± 0.05
Tot.Bkg.	317 ± 90	21 ± 9
Data	348	37
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$T\bar{T}(600 \text{ GeV})$		
Chiral t'	88 ± 10	54 ± 7
T Singlet	41 ± 4	20.3 ± 2.2

Discriminating variable $\Rightarrow T$
reconstructed mass

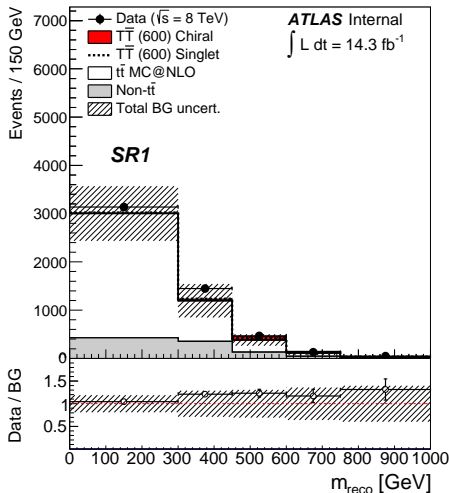


Pair b -jets and W boson candidates
in order to get
 $\min\Delta(M_{\text{lep}}, M_{\text{had}})$



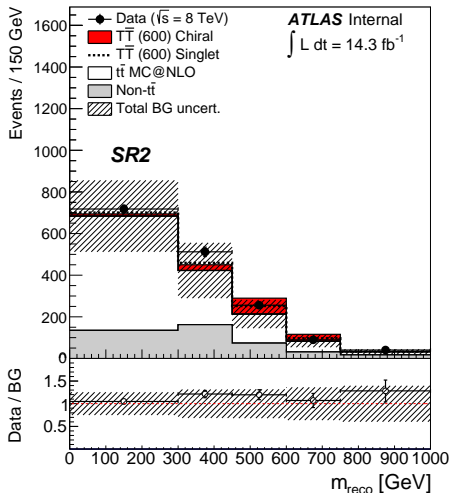
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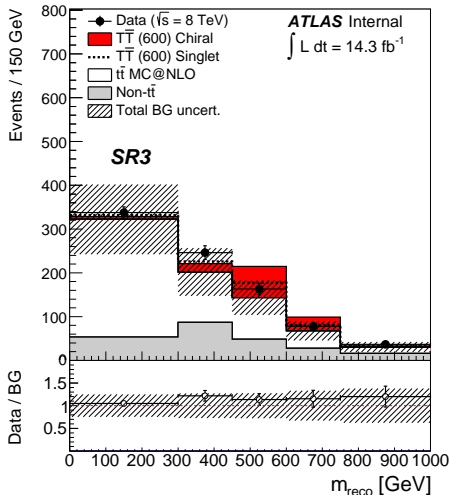
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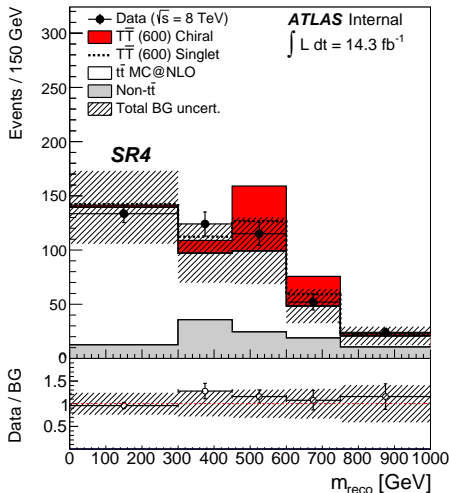
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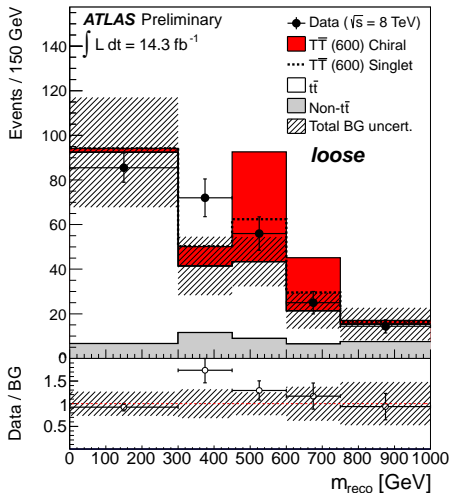
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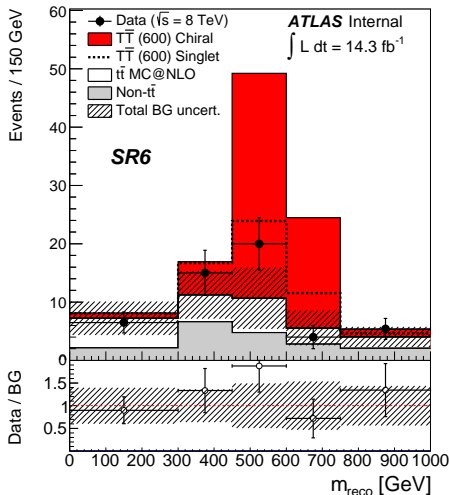
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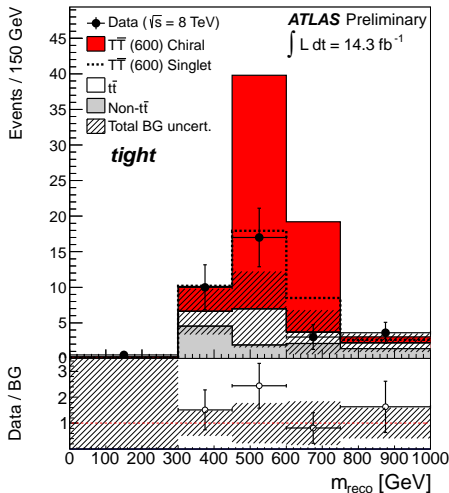
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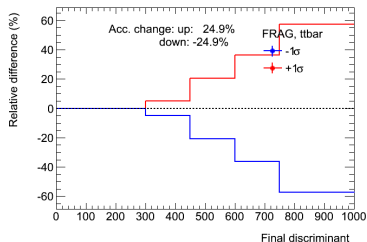
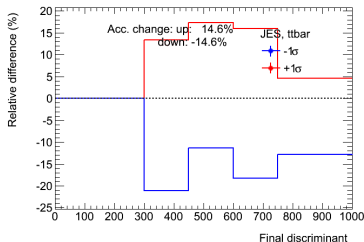
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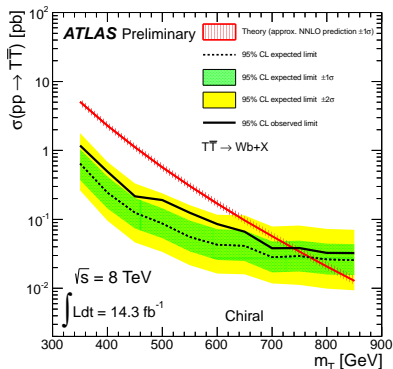
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Total [%]	+14/-15	+59/-59	+42/-35
Main contributions [%]			
Jet energy scale	+6.6/-8.4	+15/-15	+33/-22
$t\bar{t}$ modelling: NLO MC generator	—	+48/-48	—
$t\bar{t}$ modelling: PS and fragm	—	+25/-25	—
$t\bar{t}$ modelling: ISR/FSR	—	+8.8/-8.8	—



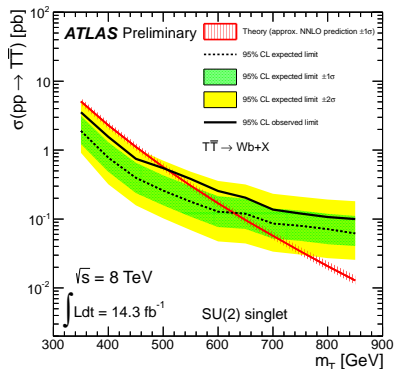
Benchmark results

Chiral T /Vector-like $Y(-4/3)$



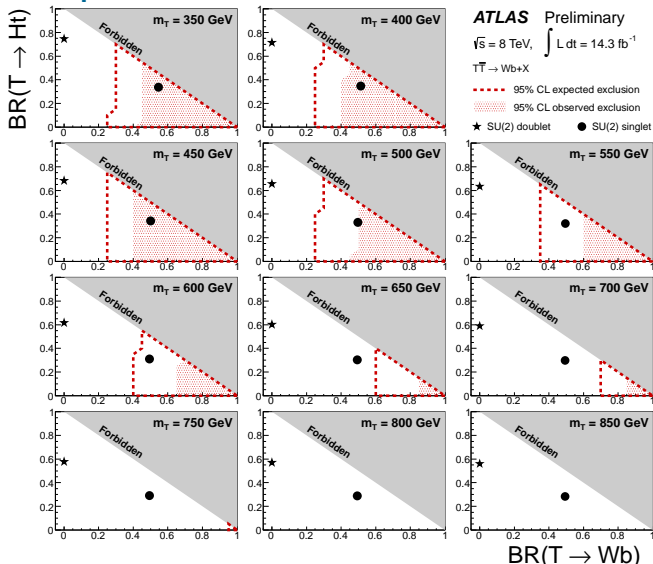
observed (expected) 95% CL limit
 $m_T > 740$ (770) GeV

Singlet T



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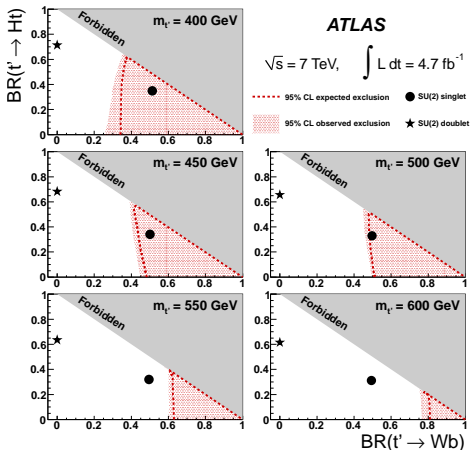
Model independent results



... updating 7 TeV results

First model-independent search

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Search for $T\bar{T}$ decaying to $Ht + X$

Combined results

Conclusions and outlook

Strategy

$$T \rightarrow Ht \begin{cases} \nearrow bbWb \rightarrow bbb\nu \\ \searrow WWWb \rightarrow qqql\nu \end{cases} + \bar{T} \rightarrow Wb/Zt/Ht$$

as a minimum 6 total jets in the event ($T\bar{T} \rightarrow HtWb$)

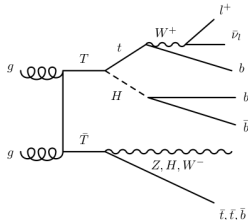


$$H_T = p_T(l) + E_T^{\text{miss}} + \sum_{j=1}^{N_{\text{jets}}} p_T(j)$$

peak $\sim 2m_T$

good signal/bkg discriminant

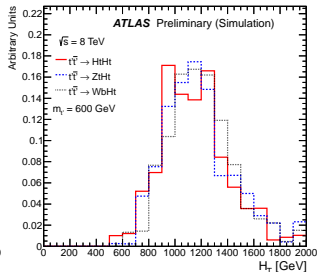
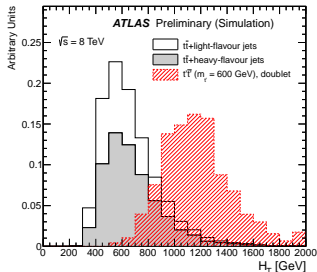
for all $Ht + X$ modes



SM Higgs boson
w/ $m_H = 125 \text{ GeV}$



$$\begin{aligned} \text{BR}(H \rightarrow bb) &= 60\% \\ \text{BR}(H \rightarrow WW) &= 20\% \end{aligned}$$



≥ 6 jets, ≥ 4 b -jets

Event selection

maximize signal acceptance

"2 b -TAGGED JETS"	≥ 6 jets =2 b -tagged jets orthogonality cut: $H_T < 700$ GeV
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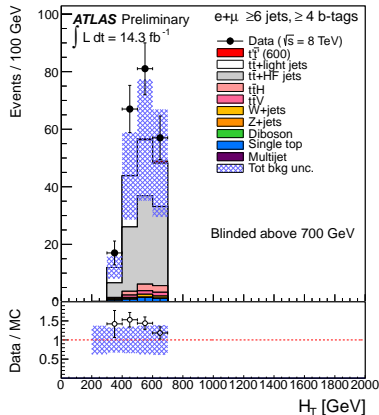
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→ b -tagging by TRF in MC ←

heavy flavor component not well predicted



simultaneous fit to data of H_T variable
(good to have background enriched channels)

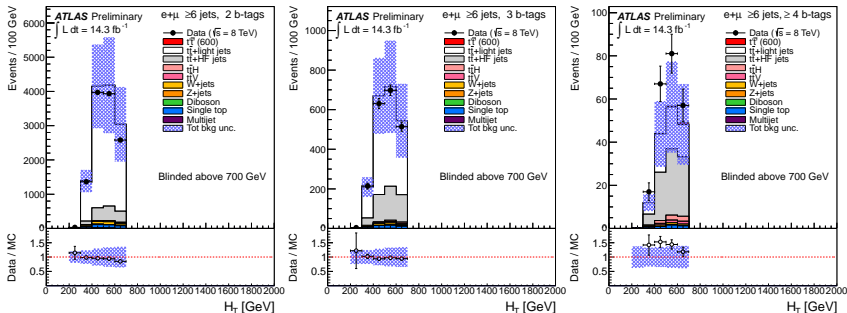


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before...



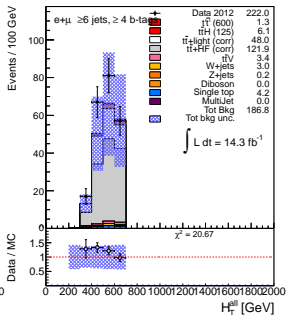
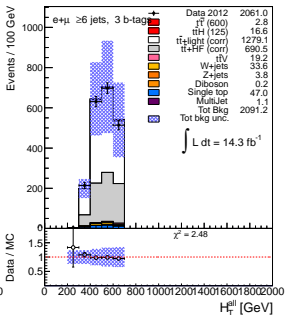
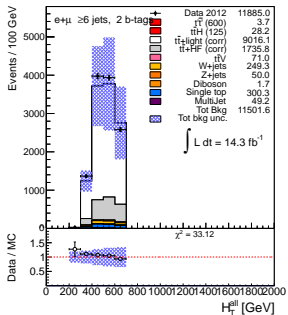
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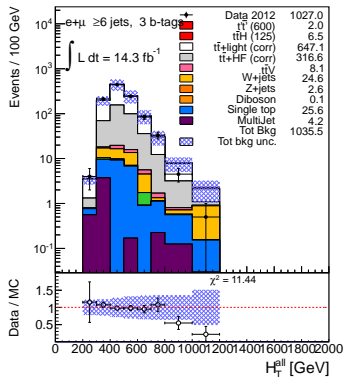
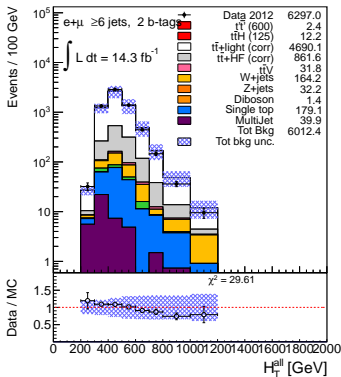


Define special blinded regions to check H_T modeling:

at most two jets with $p_T > 60$ GeV, $H_T < 1.2$ TeV

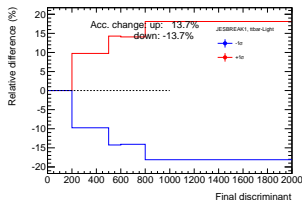
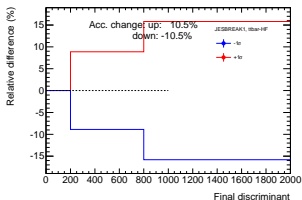
2 b -tagged jets

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Most relevant systematic uncertainties

	$T\bar{T}$	$t\bar{t}H$ (125)	$t\bar{t}$ -HF	$t\bar{t}$ -Light	W+jets	Z+jets	Single top	Diboson	$t\bar{t}V$	Multijet
Total [%]	+21.9/-24.0	+25.2/-30.0	+57.3/-58.4	+42.0/-44.1	+60.0/-61.0	+65.2/-66.2	+31.7/-32.9	+68.2/-70.2	+37.6/-38.8	+50.0/-50.0
Main contributions [%]										
BTAGBREAKS	+20.4/-22.7	+18.7/-21.6	+15.8/-17.8	+12.2/-13.1	+13.5/-15.0	+13.0/-13.9	+15.9/-17.8	+22.0/-27.4	+16.4/-18.6	-
JES "baseline"	+3.1/-3.1	+7.3/-7.3	+10.5/-10.5	+13.7/-13.7	+18.1/-18.1	+18.2/-18.2	+19.9/-19.9	+5.2/-5.2	+8.4/-8.4	-
ttbar iqopt2	-	-	+6.9/-6.9	+20.1/-20.1	-	-	-	-	-	-
ttbar ktfac	-	-	+7.5/-9.2	+13.8/-17.0	-	-	-	-	-	-
ttbar qfac	-	-	+0.7/-0.7	+1.6/-1.6	-	-	-	-	-	-
ttbarHF	-	-	+50.0/-50.0	+13.0/-13.0	-	-	-	-	-	-

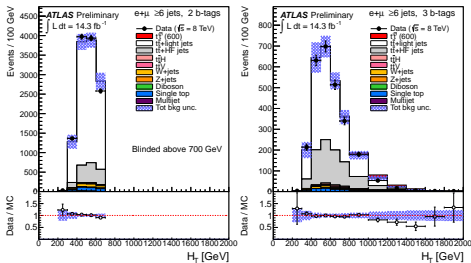


Introduce the scaling factors as **nuisance parameters**



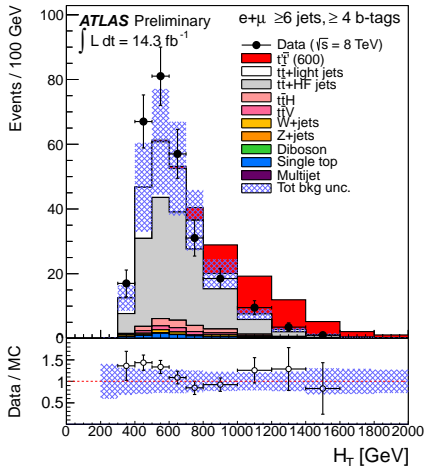
total uncertainty on $t\bar{t}$ +HF reduced by $\sim 20\%$

Yields in signal regions



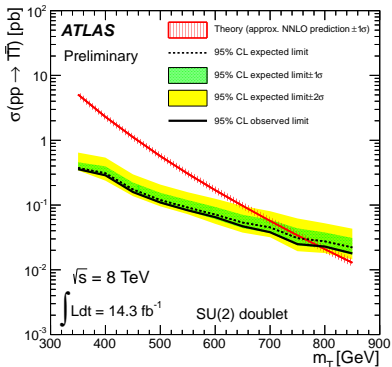
	2 b-tags	3 b-tags	≥ 4 b-tags
$t\bar{t}$ +HF	1500 ± 900	900 ± 400	170 ± 70
$t\bar{t}$ +LF	9600 ± 1000	1900 ± 350	75 ± 22
W+jets	250 ± 130	50 ± 30	5 ± 3
Z+jets	50 ± 40	9 ± 6	0.5 ± 0.9
Single top	300 ± 70	75 ± 18	7 ± 3
Diboson	1.7 ± 0.6	0.3 ± 0.1	0.03 ± 0.03
$t\bar{t}V$	70 ± 20	36 ± 12	7 ± 3
$t\bar{t}H$	28 ± 4	31 ± 6	12 ± 3
Multijet	49 ± 23	1.7 ± 0.8	0.15 ± 0.06
Tot. Bkg.	11860 ± 260	2990 ± 210	270 ± 60
Data	11885	2922	318

$T\bar{T}$ (600)			
doublet	4.3 ± 1.2	94 ± 7	79 ± 18
singlet	2.3 ± 0.4	61 ± 7	36 ± 9



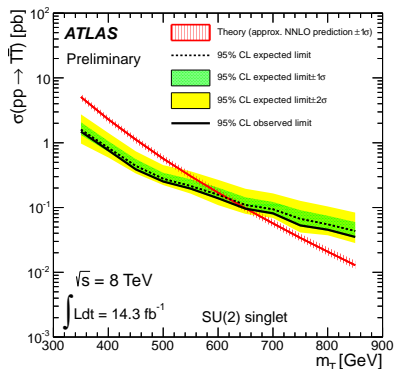
Benchmark results

Doublet



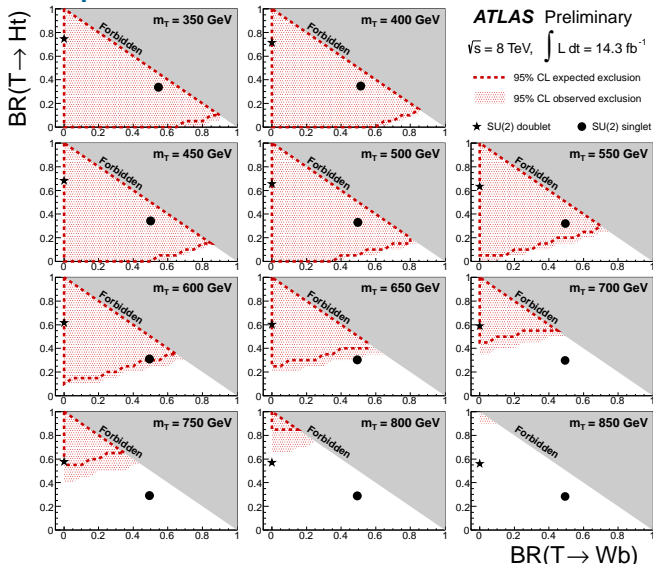
observed (expected) 95% CL limit
 $m_T > 790$ (745) GeV

Singlet



observed (expected) 95% CL limit
 $m_T > 640$ (615) GeV

Model independent results



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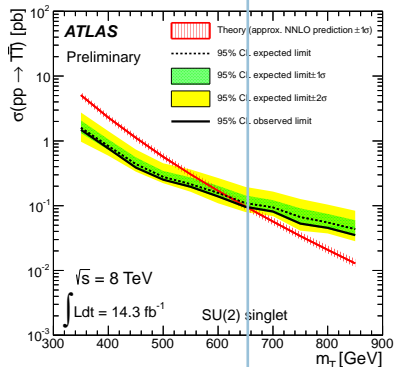
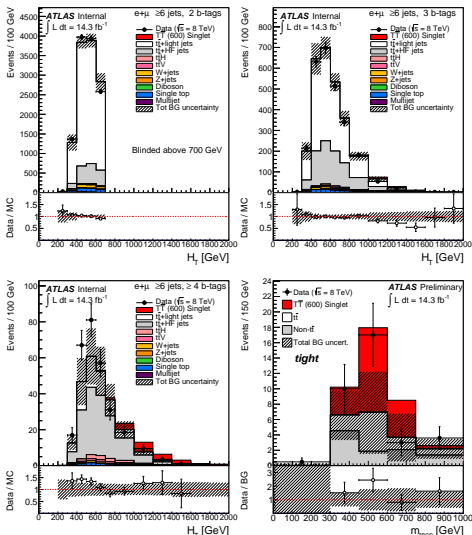
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Combination of $T\bar{T} \rightarrow Wb + X$ and $T\bar{T} \rightarrow Ht + X$

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can be combined in the statistical analysis
(consistent **syst unc** treatment)

$T\bar{T} \rightarrow Ht + X$ only: 640 GeV

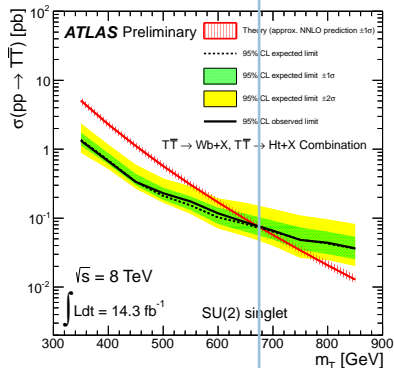
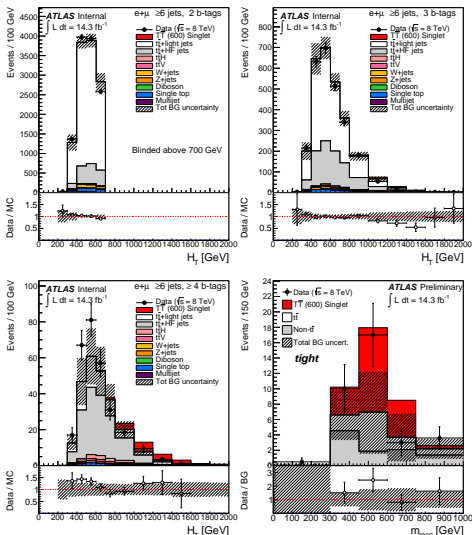


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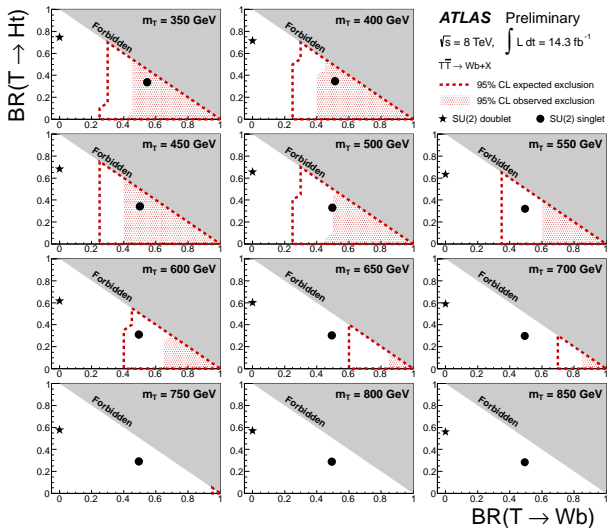
combination: 670 GeV



Combined results

Individual analyses probe different areas

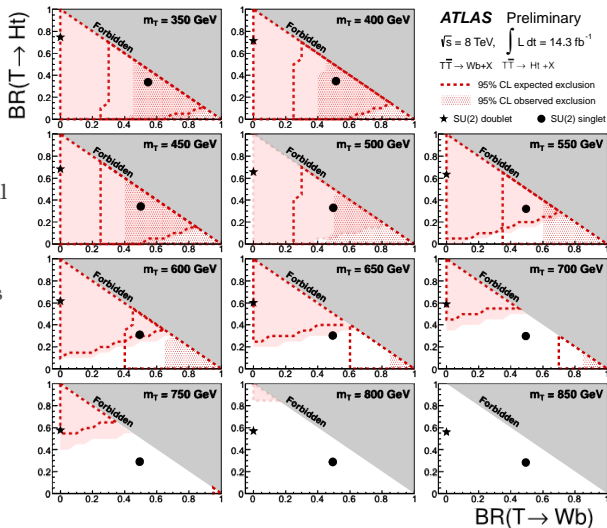
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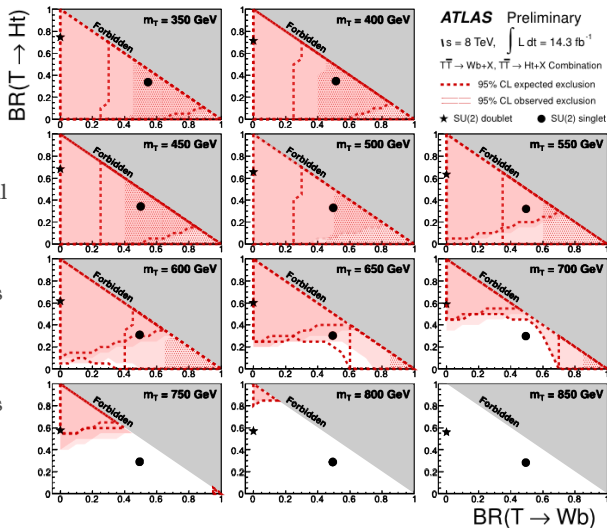
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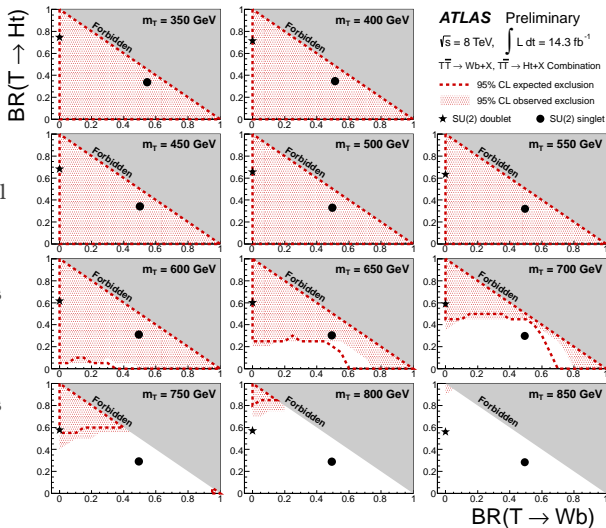


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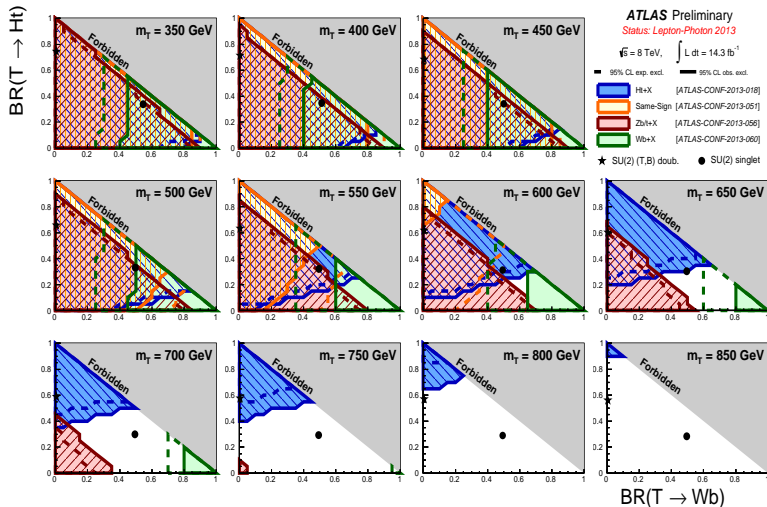
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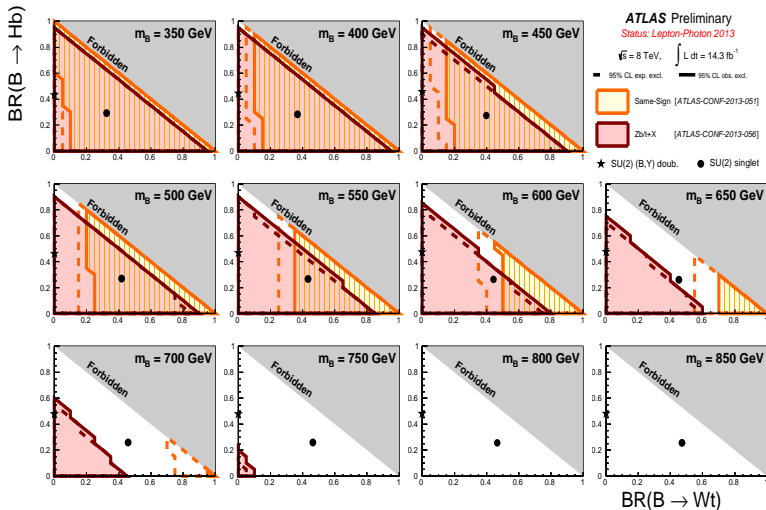
... but there's more from **ATLAS Exotics!**



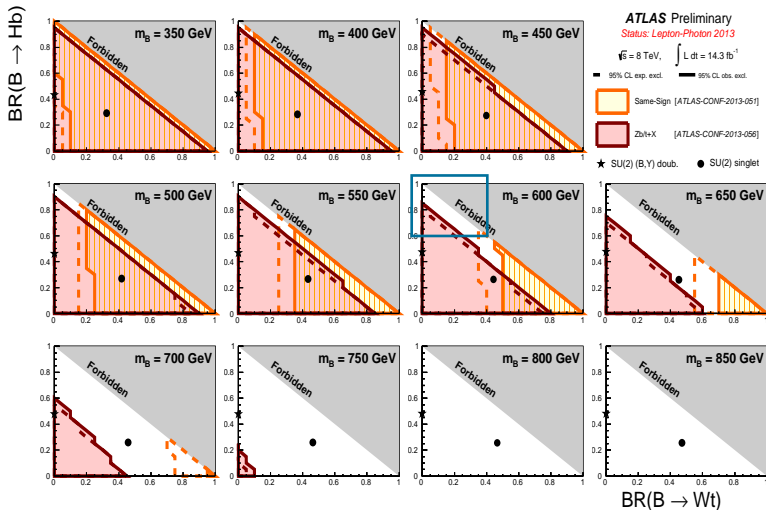
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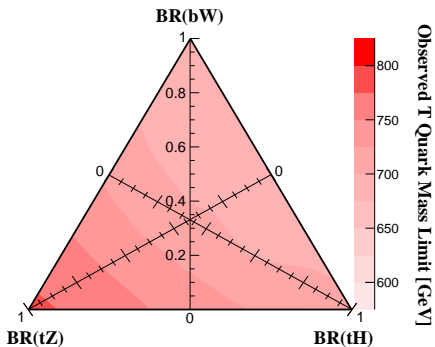
ATLAS “worst case scenario” coverage



Comparison to CMS results

Inclusive $T\bar{T}$ searches CMS-PAS-B2G-12-015 [7]

CMS preliminary $\sqrt{s} = 8 \text{ TeV}$ 19.6 fb^{-1}



“doublet”
790 obs

“singlet”
670 obs

“chiral”
740 obs

Scenario	Branching Fractions			expected limit (GeV)	observed limit (GeV)
	T→bW	T→tH	T→tZ		
(0)	0.5	0.25	0.25	773	696
(1)	0.0	0.0	1.0	813	782
(2)	0.0	0.2	0.8	798	766
(3)	0.0	0.4	0.6	790	747
(4)	0.0	0.6	0.4	783	731
(5)	0.0	0.8	0.2	773	715
(6)	0.0	1.0	0.0	770	706
(7)	0.2	0.0	0.8	794	758
(8)	0.2	0.2	0.6	786	739
(9)	0.2	0.4	0.4	777	717
(10)	0.2	0.6	0.2	767	698
(11)	0.2	0.8	0.0	766	694
(12)	0.4	0.0	0.6	786	734
(13)	0.4	0.2	0.4	776	705
(14)	0.4	0.4	0.2	766	693
(15)	0.4	0.6	0.0	762	690
(16)	0.6	0.0	0.4	779	703
(17)	0.6	0.2	0.2	771	693
(18)	0.6	0.4	0.0	769	687
(19)	0.8	0.0	0.2	779	695
(20)	0.8	0.2	0.0	777	689
(21)	1.0	0.0	0.0	785	700

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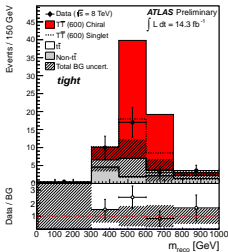
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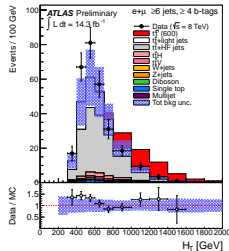
both searches are being updated with the full 20 fb^{-1} statistics



- ↘ poor MC bkg's statistical population in the TIGHT channel
- ↗ larger MC samples available
- ↗ possible optimization of the H_T^{4j} cut
- ↗ explorable option: larger anti- k_t jets

Best up-to-date 95% CL obs limit on
chiral T and vector-like Y (740 GeV)

- poor modeling of $t\bar{t}$ +HF by ALPGEN
- b -tagging calibration sub-optimal for analyses with high- p_T objects
- $t\bar{t}$ -based calibrations being developed
- potential high gain in sensitivity with profiling
- easily optimizable for a $B\bar{B} \rightarrow Hb + X$ analysis

Best up-to-date 95% CL obs limit on doublet T 

Outlook

all four ATLAS searches are being updated
with the full 20 fb^{-1} statistics,
plus two new channels: $B\bar{B} \rightarrow Wt + X$ and $B\bar{B} \rightarrow Hb + X$

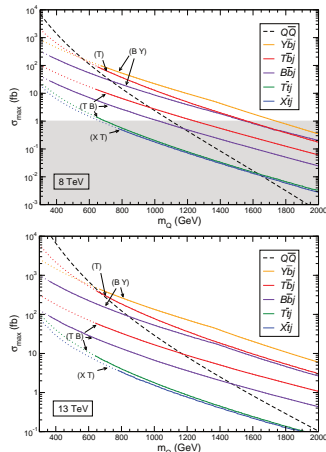
LHC Run-II:

- $\sqrt{s}=14 \text{ TeV}$
- $\sim 100 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ in 3 years
- higher pile-up

To-do:

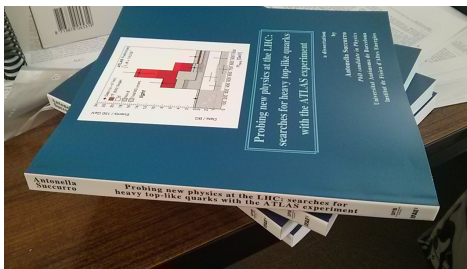
- continue on the road of full combination
- design searches for single production

plots from [8]



Thank you!

Thank you for your attention!



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BACKUP SLIDES

LHC parameters

Parameter	designed	2010	2011	2012
Beam energy (TeV/c)	7	3.5	3.5	4
Beta function β^* (m)	0.55	2.0/3.5	1.5/1.0	0.6
Max. No. bunches/beam	2808	368	1380	1380
Max. No. protons/bunch	1.15×10^{11}	1.2×10^{11}	1.45×10^{11}	1.7×10^{11}
Bunch spacing (ns)	25	150	75/50	50
Peak luminosity ($\text{cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$)	1×10^{34}	2.1×10^{32}	3.7×10^{33}	7.7×10^{33}
Emittance ε_n (μrad)	3.75	2.0	2.4	2.5
Max. $\langle \mu \rangle$	19	4	17	37

Table: Overview of some parameters for the LHC performance comparing the design values with their time evolution during the first long run operation in 2010-2013 [9].

$T\bar{T} \rightarrow Wb + X$ 7 TeV vs 8 TeV

Selection	7 TeV	8 TeV
Preselection	One electron or muon ⁽⁺⁾	
	$E_T^{\text{miss}} > 35(20)$ GeV for electron (muon) channel	$E_T^{\text{miss}} > 20$ GeV
	$E_T^{\text{miss}} + m_T > 60$ GeV	
	≥ 3 jets for $W_{\text{had}}^{\text{type I}}$ ≥ 4 jets for $W_{\text{had}}^{\text{type II}}$	≥ 4 jets ^(*)
	≥ 1 <i>b</i> -tagged jets ^(**)	
Loose selection	orthogonality cut reject events with ≥ 6 and ≥ 3 <i>b</i> -tagged jets	
	Preselection	
	≥ 1 W_{had} candidates ^(x)	
	$H_T^{4j} > 750$ GeV	$H_T^{4j} > 800$ GeV

Neutrino reconstruction

Neutrino 4-momentum unknown



E_T^{miss} X and Y components + a bit of algebra:

$$(P_l + P_\nu)^2 = P_W^2 = M_W^2$$



two possible p_{Z_ν} solutions for the Z component of the neutrino momentum:

$$p_{Z_\nu} = \frac{\lambda \pm \sqrt{\delta}}{2}$$

Choose the solution giving $\min|m_{\text{reco}}^{\text{had}} - m_{\text{reco}}^{\text{lep}}|$
(this implies also b -jets association!)

- If no real solution, $\nu \sim$ collinear to $l \Rightarrow \eta_\nu$ set equal to η_l

$$\lambda = 2\beta \frac{p_{Z_l}}{E_l^2 - p_{Z_l}^2};$$

$$\delta = \lambda^2 - 4\gamma;$$

$$\gamma = -\frac{\beta^2 - E_l^2(p_{X_\nu}^2 + p_{Y_\nu}^2)}{E_l^2 - p_{Z_l}^2};$$

$$\beta = \alpha + p_{X_\nu} p_{X_l} + p_{Y_\nu} p_{Y_l};$$

$$\alpha = \frac{1}{2}(M_W^2 - M_l^2).$$

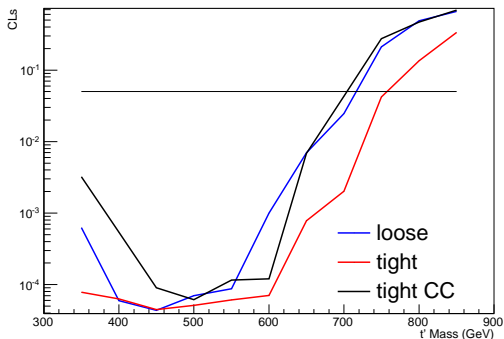
Statistical analyses

In the 7 TeV analysis three configurations have been tested:

- ▶ LOOSE selection using $m_{t\bar{t}}$ and profiling of overall $t\bar{t}$ yield (“LOOSE”)
- ▶ TIGHT selection using $m_{t\bar{t}}$ (“TIGHT”)
- ▶ TIGHT selection considering just the overall yield and not the shape of $m_{t\bar{t}}$ (“TIGHT cut-and-count”)

Look at expected value of CL_s as a function of m_T for best performance:

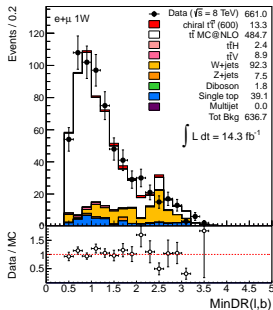
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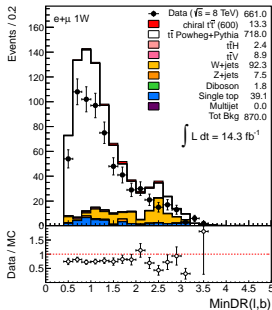
Generator choice for $t\bar{t}$

Comparison data to background prediction w/ different $t\bar{t}$ generators
e.g. in SDR3 (loose selection with reversed b -jet p_T cuts)

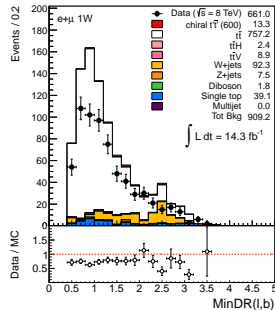
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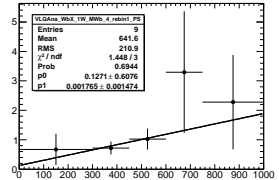
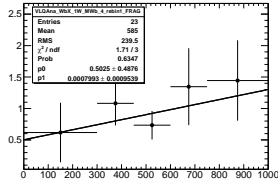
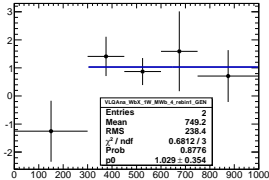
POWHEG+PYTHIA



ALPGEN+HERWIG



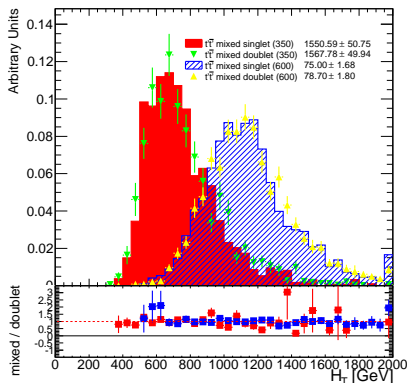
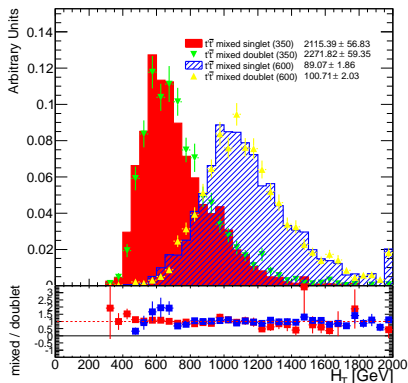
$t\bar{t}$ modeling systematic uncertainties



Doublet vs singlet

MC simulated for **singlet** T with $\text{BR} = 1/3$ for every decay mode

- Mixing between SM quarks and T is **left-handed** for singlets, **right-handed** for doublets



Discrepancies in yields below 5% in “ ≥ 4 b -TAGGED JETS”

Treatment of sys unc in combination

Systematic uncertainty		$T\bar{T} \rightarrow Wb + X$		$T\bar{T} \rightarrow Ht + X$	
		Status	Components	Status	Components
Fully Correlated	Luminosity	N	1	N	1
	Lepton ID+reco+trigger	N	1	N	1
	Jet vertex fraction efficiency	SN	1	SN	1
	Jet energy resolution	SN	1	SN	1
	b -tagging efficiency	SN	9	SN	9
	c -tagging efficiency	SN	5	SN	5
	Light jet-tagging efficiency	SN	1	SN	1
	$t\bar{t}$ cross section	N	1	N	1
	$t\bar{t}V$ cross section	N	1	N	1
	$t\bar{t}H$ cross section	-	-	N	1
	Single top cross section	N	1	N	1
	Dibosons cross section	N	1	N	1
	W +jets normalization	N	5	-	-
	Z +jets normalization	N	1	-	-
	V +jets normalization	-	-	N	1
Uncorrelated	Multijet normalization	-	-	N	1
	$t\bar{t}$ modelling	SN	3	SN	3
	V +jets modelling	SN	1	-	-
Correlate	$t\bar{t}$ +heavy-flavour fractions	-	-	N	1
JES w/ BASELINE	Jet energy scale	SN	1	SN	8