

Top Quark Pair Production

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Outline

- $t\bar{t}$ total cross section at 2, 7 and 8 TeV
- Differential $t\bar{t}$ cross sections
- Measurements of $t\bar{t} + (b\text{-})\text{jets}, \gamma, W, Z$

More details in parallel session this afternoon, and at:

ATLAS results:

<https://twiki.cern.ch/twiki/bin/view/AtlasPublic/TopPublicResults>

CDF results:

<http://www-cdf.fnal.gov/physics/new/top/top.html>

CMS results:

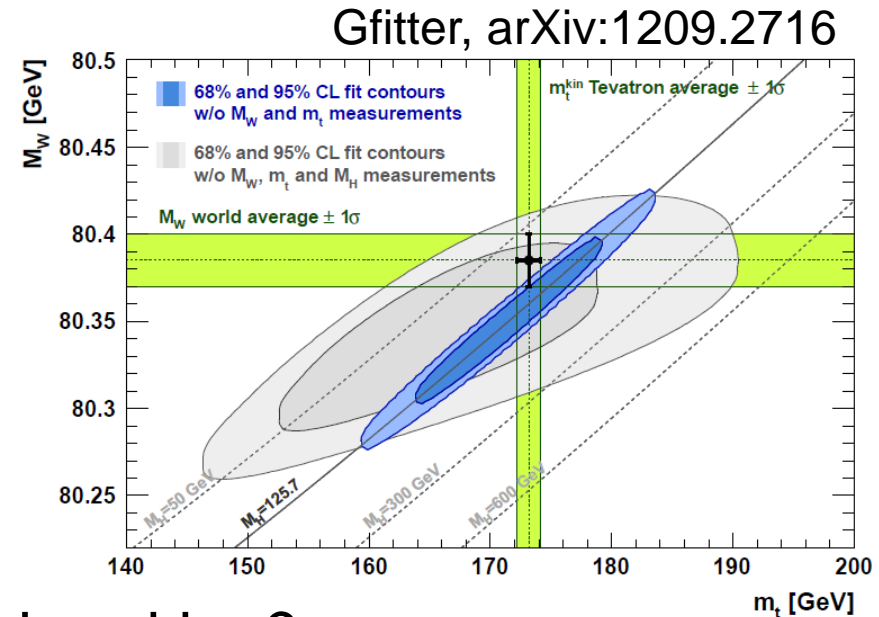
<https://twiki.cern.ch/twiki/bin/view/CMSPublic/PhysicsResultsTOP>

D0 results:

<http://www-d0.fnal.gov/Run2Physics/top/>

Why is Top interesting?

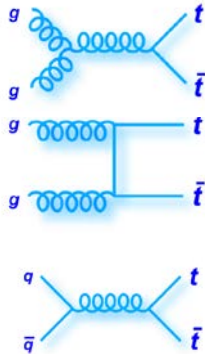
- Heaviest known fundamental particle
 - Yukawa coupling $y_t \sim 1$
- Decay before hadronization
 - access to spin structure
- Presence in virtual loops
 - Consistency of SM (m_t, m_W, m_H)
- Special role in EWK symmetry breaking?
- New particles which decay dominantly into top quarks
 - Super-symmetric partners (3rd gen squarks), Z' bosons
- New particles may be produced in top decays, e.g. H^+
- Detailed study of top needed (differential distributions!)
 - may reveal non-SM contributions
 - LHC has already produced several million top quark pairs!



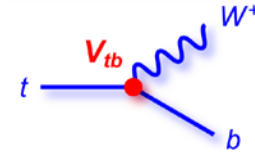
Top quark pair production and decay

Production:

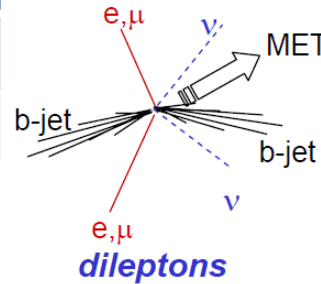
	LHC-7	Tevatron
gg	~80%	~15%
qq	~20%	~85%



Decay:

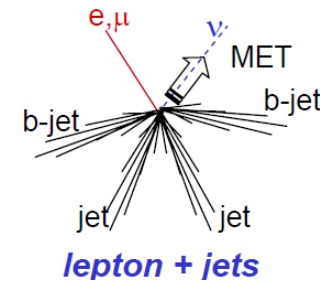


(almost 100%)



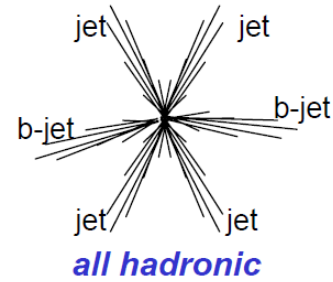
BR: ~5%

Bkgd: few
(mainly Z+jets)



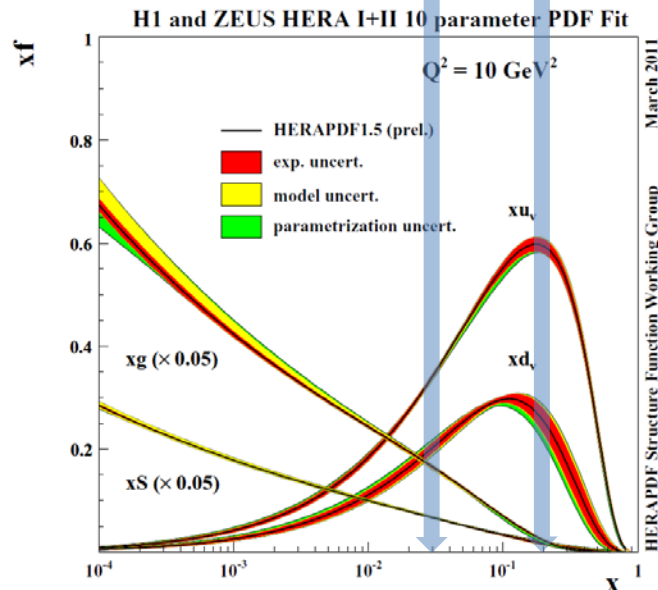
BR: ~30%

Bkgd: moderate
(mainly W+jets)



BR: ~46%

Bkgd: huge
(mainly QCD)



Cross section measurement:

- Traditionally: counting experiment
- More precise: likelihood fit, also incorporating systematics via nuisance parameters

Important systematic uncertainties:

- Jet energy scale, b-tagging
- Signal modeling in MC

(Brief) Theory Status

- Approximate NNLO calculations for σ_{tot} by several groups
 - scale unc. 5...9%
- Since recently: pieces of exact NNLO exist (all except $gg \rightarrow tt$)
 - [Baernreuther, Czakon, Mitov 2012]
 - See next talk for details!

Approx. NNLO theory calculations, LHC at 7 TeV		
Authors	$\sigma(tt) \pm \text{scale} \pm \text{PDF}$ [pb]	Details
NLO QCD (MCFM)	160 +20-21 +8-9	MSTW 90%CL, $m_t=173$ GeV
Kidonakis (arXiv:1009.4935)	163 +7-5 +9-9	MSTW 90%CL, $m_t=173$ GeV
Aliev et al. (HATHOR 1.2) (arXiv:1007.1327)	164 +5-9 +9-9	MSTW 90%CL, $m_t=173$ GeV
Ahrens et al. (arXiv:1003.5827)	155 +8-9 +8-9	MSTW 90%CL, $m_t=173.1$ GeV
Beneke et al. (arXiv:1109.1536)	163 +7-8 +15-14	MSTW 90% CL (incl. α_s), $m_t=173.3$ GeV
Czakon, Mitov (TOP++ 1.4) (arXiv:1210.6832)	154 +9-8 +4-4	MSTW 68%CL, $m_t=173.3$ GeV
Moch et al. (HATHOR 1.3) (arXiv:1203.6282)	175 +10-13 +5-5	MSTW 68%CL, $m_t=173$ GeV

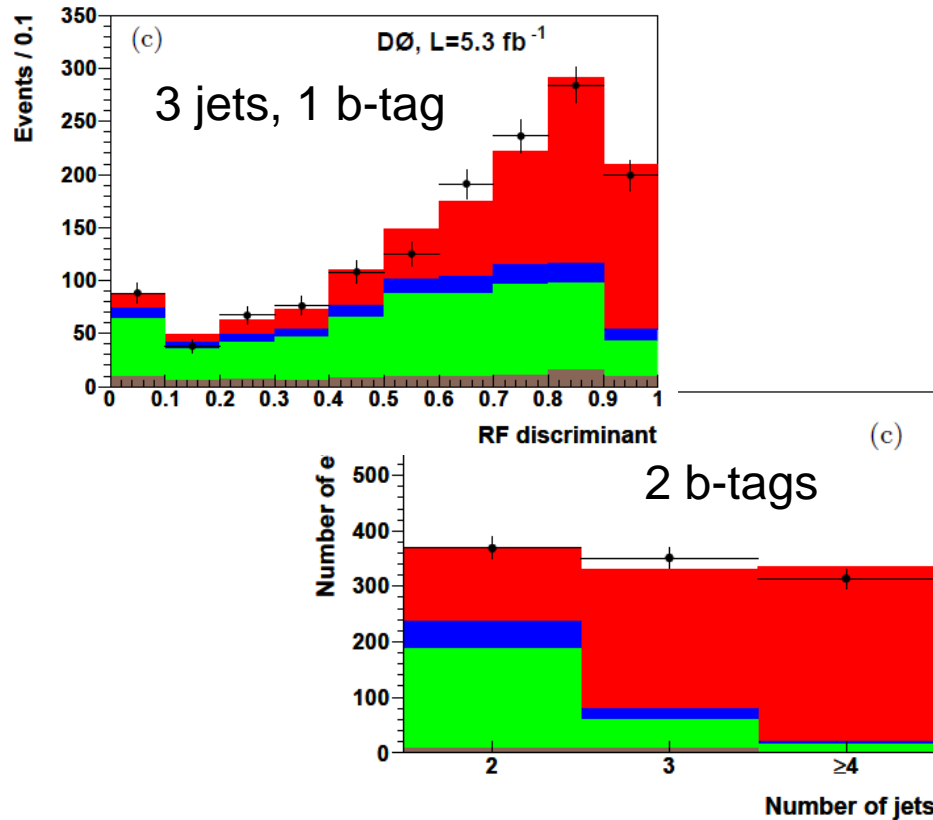
- NLO+PS MC matched implementations (POWHEG, MC@NLO)
- tt +jets (incl. $tt+bb$)
 - Full NLO calculations for 1 and 2 extra jets (incl. differential distributions)
- $tt+V$ ($V=\gamma, W, Z$)
 - NLO exists, also interfaced to PS in aMC@NLO, POWHEG+HELAC

Total Cross Section at the Tevatron

l+jets channel: best single measurements

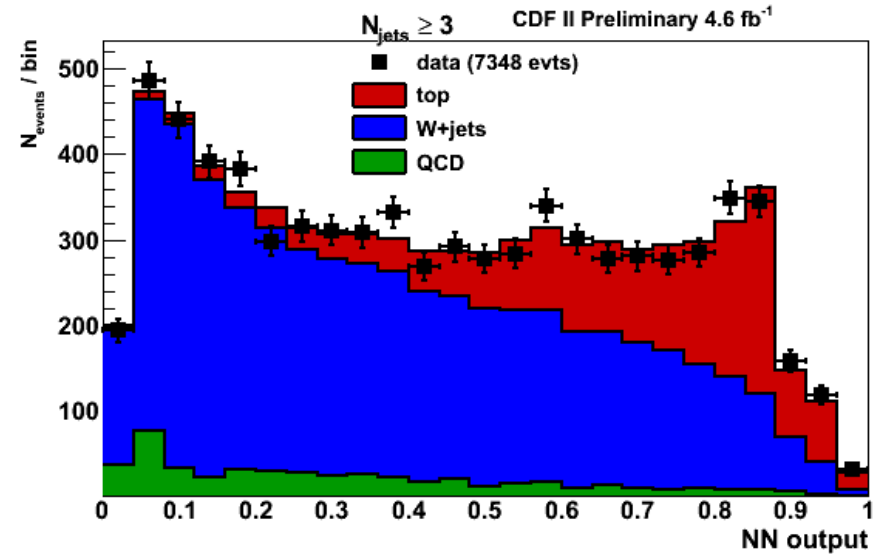
D0, 5.3/fb, arXiv:1101.0124

- profile likelihood over $N(\text{jets}) \times N(\text{b-tags})$
- nuisance params. for systematics



$$\sigma_{t\bar{t}} = 7.78^{+0.77}_{-0.64} \text{ (stat + syst + lumi) pb} \quad (9.1\%)$$

CDF, 4.6/fb, arXiv:1004.3224

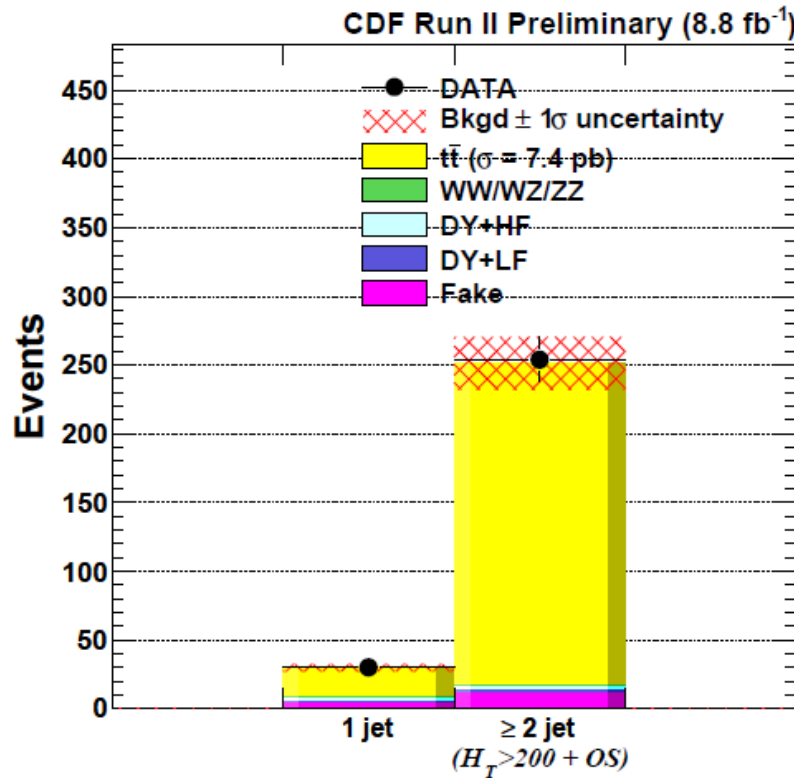


- NN discriminant using kinematic variables (no b-tagging)
- combined with b-tagged analysis
- reduced uncertainty due to measurement of ratio $\sigma(t\bar{t})/\sigma(Z/\gamma^*)$

$$\sigma_{t\bar{t}} = 7.70 \pm 0.52 \text{ pb} \quad (6.8\%)$$

New measurements using full dataset

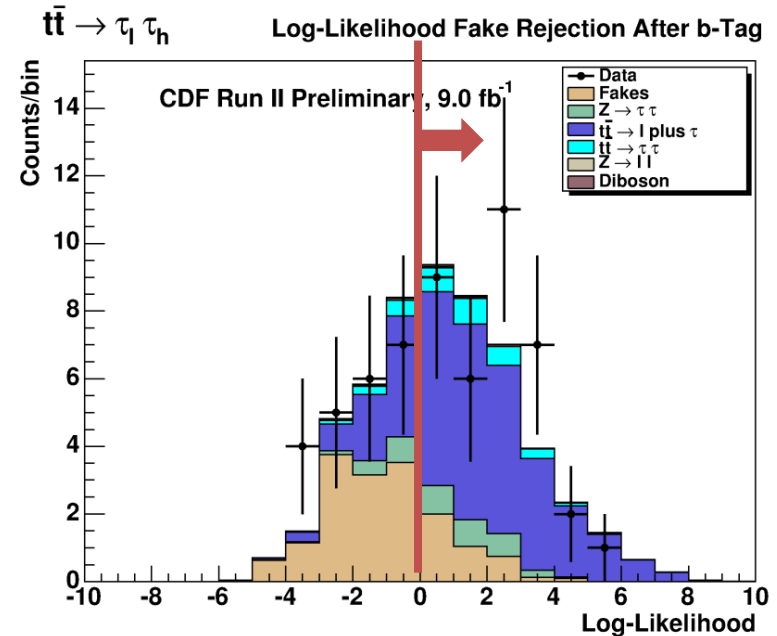
CDF dilepton, 8.8/fb, Note 10878



- 254 events with 2 jets, 1 b-tag

$$\sigma_{t\bar{t}} = 7.47 \pm 0.50_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.53_{\text{syst}} \pm 0.46_{\text{lumi}} \text{ pb} \\ (11.5\%)$$

CDF tau+lepton+jets, 9.0/fb, Note 10562



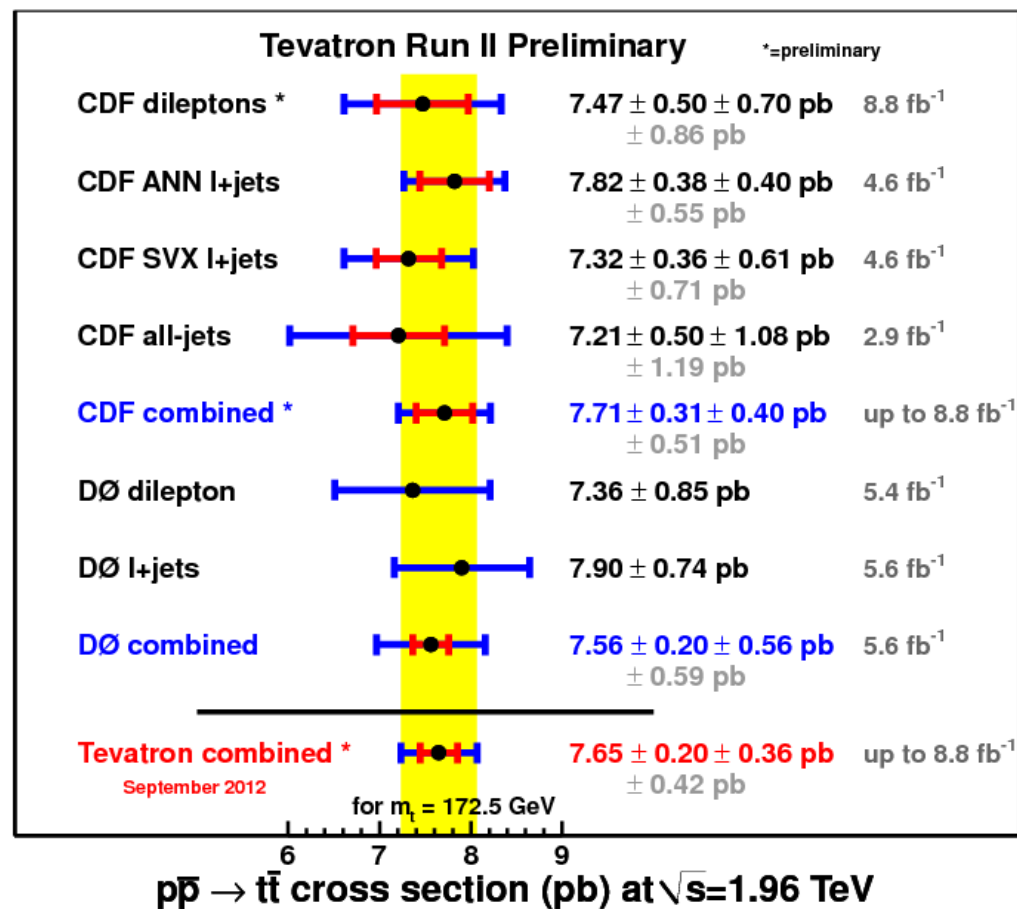
- Selection: 1 tau, 1 e/μ, 2 jets, 1 b-tag
- Reduced tau fakes using kinematic likelihood
- 36 events selected in 9.0/fb

$$\sigma_{t\bar{t}} = 8.2 \pm 2.3(\text{stat.})_{-1.1}^{+1.2}(\text{syst.}) \pm 0.5(\text{lum.}) \text{ pb.}$$

Tevatron Combination

D0 Note 6363, CDF Note 10926

- NEW (September 2012): first combination of CDF and D0 $t\bar{t}$ cross sections
- Careful treatment of (un)correlated systematics
- Combination using BLUE
- Relative weights: 60% CDF, 40% D0
- Precision of combination 5.5%



Good agreement
with theory!

NNLO+NNLL (TOP++ 1.3, $m_t=172.5$, incl. NNLO $q\bar{q} \rightarrow t\bar{t}$):

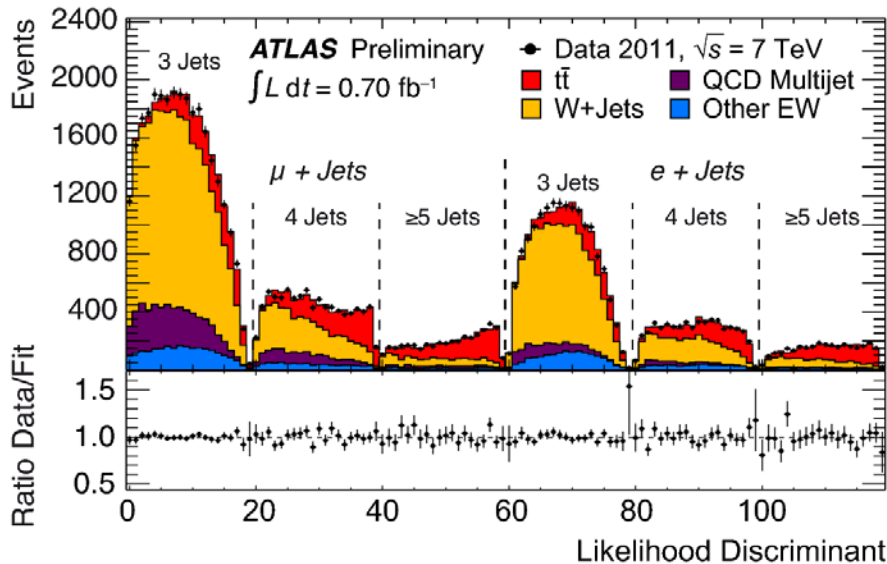
$$7.24^{+0.15}_{-0.24} (scale)^{+0.18}_{-0.12} (PDF) \text{ pb}$$

Total Cross Section at the 7 TeV LHC

Lepton+Jets Channel

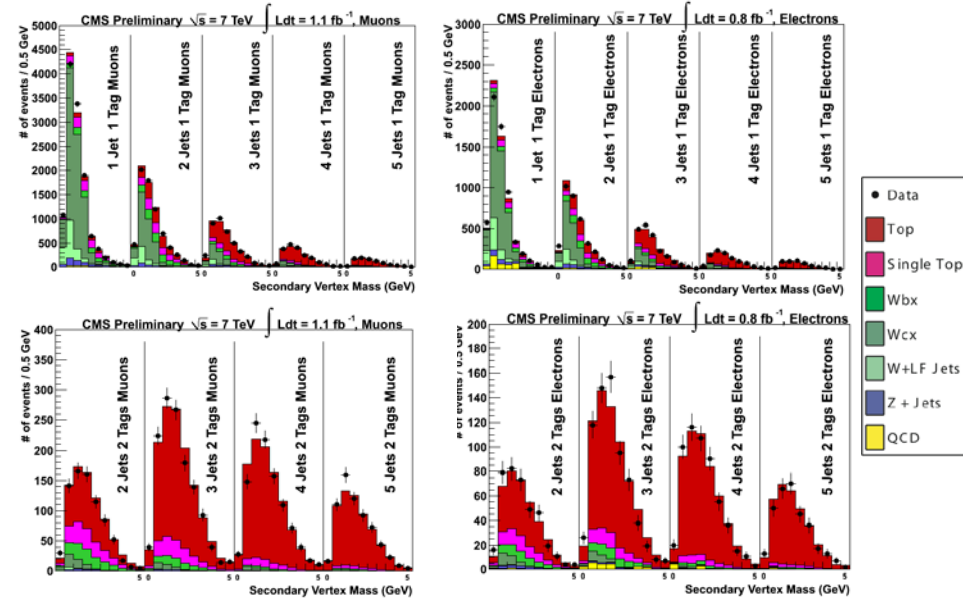
ATLAS, 0.7/fb, ATLAS-CONF-2011-121

CMS, 0.8-1.1/fb, CMS-PAS-11-003



- Likelihood based on kinematic variables (without b-tagging)
- Profiling of systematic uncertainties

$$\sigma_{t\bar{t}} = 179.0 \pm 9.8 \text{ (stat+syst)} \pm 6.6 \text{ (lumi)} \text{ pb} \quad (7\%)$$



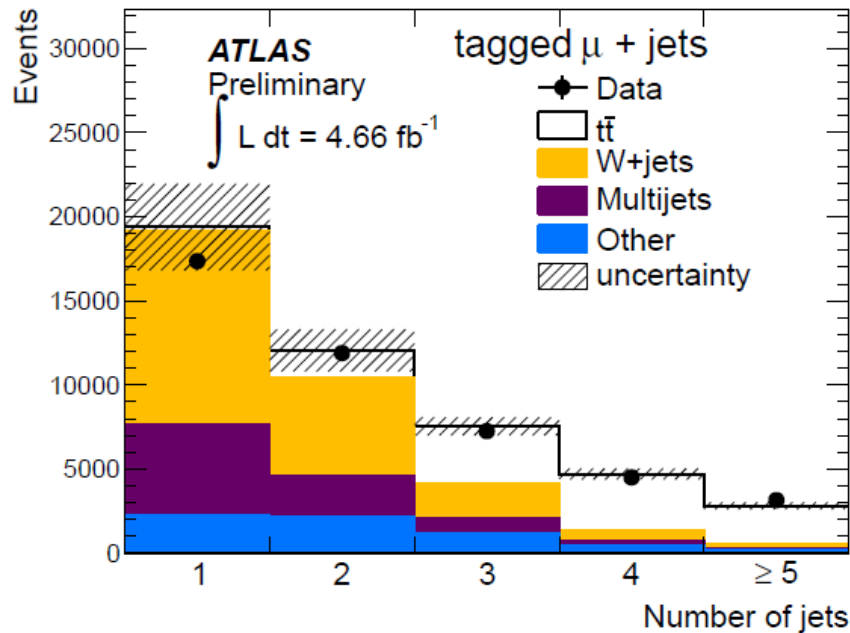
- With b-tagging: fit svx mass in N(jets, b-tags) plane
- Profiling of major systematics

$$\sigma_{t\bar{t}} = 164.4 \pm 2.8 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 11.9 \text{ (syst)} \pm 7.4 \text{ (lum.)} \text{ pb} \quad (9\%)$$

Recent measurements

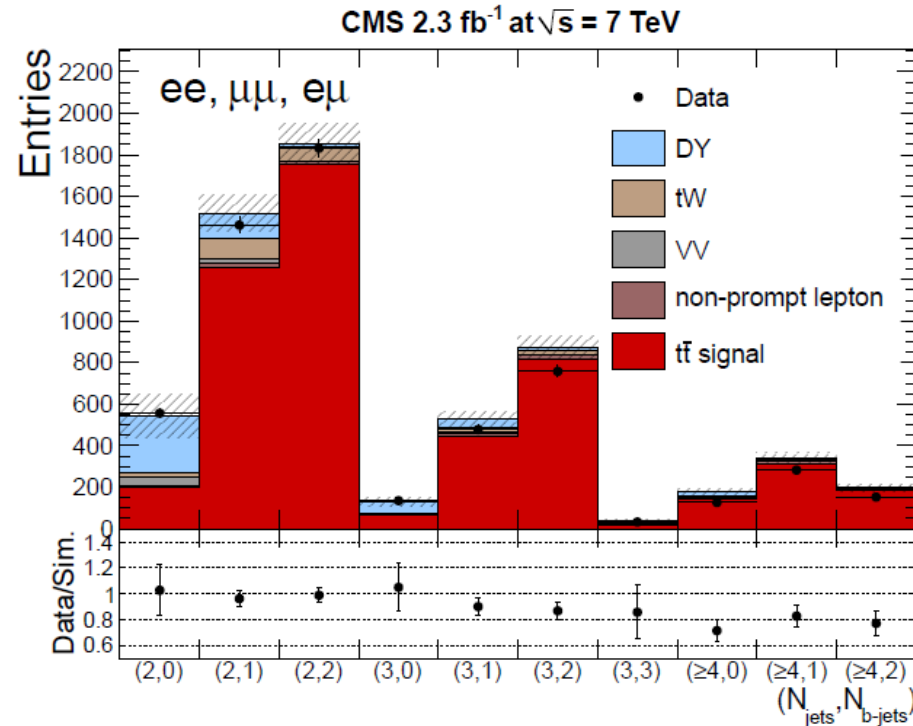
ATLAS l+jets, 4.7/fb, ATLAS-CONF-2012-131

- Use soft muon tagger (>90% eff.) inside jet to identify b-jets since $BR(b \rightarrow \mu X) \sim 20\%$
- orthogonal b-tagging systematics



$$\sigma_{t\bar{t}} = 165 \pm 2(\text{stat.}) \pm 17(\text{syst.}) \pm 3(\text{lumi.}) \text{ pb} \quad (11\%)$$

CMS dilepton, 2.3/fb, arXiv:1208.2671



- Profile likelihood method in $N(\text{jets}, b\text{-tags})$ that incorporates systematics via nuisance parameters

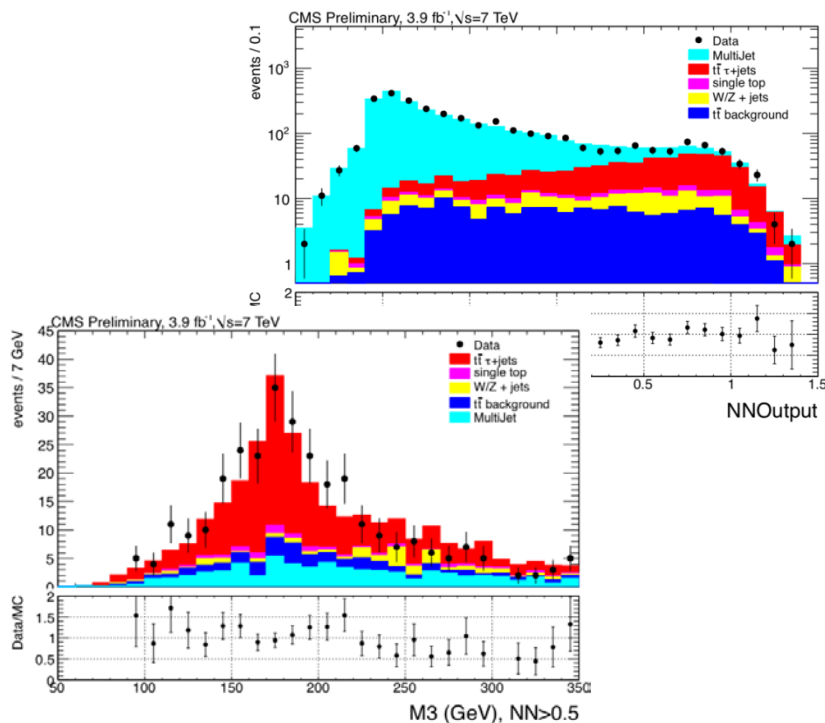
$$\sigma_{t\bar{t}} = 161.9 \pm 2.5(\text{stat.}) {}^{+5.1}_{-5.0}(\text{syst.}) \pm 3.6(\text{lumi.}) \text{ pb} \quad (5\%)$$

Single most precise $\sigma(t\bar{t})$ measurement!

$t\bar{t}$ +jets and hadronic channels

$t\bar{t}$ +jets channel:

CMS, 3.9/fb, CMS-PAS-TOP-11-004



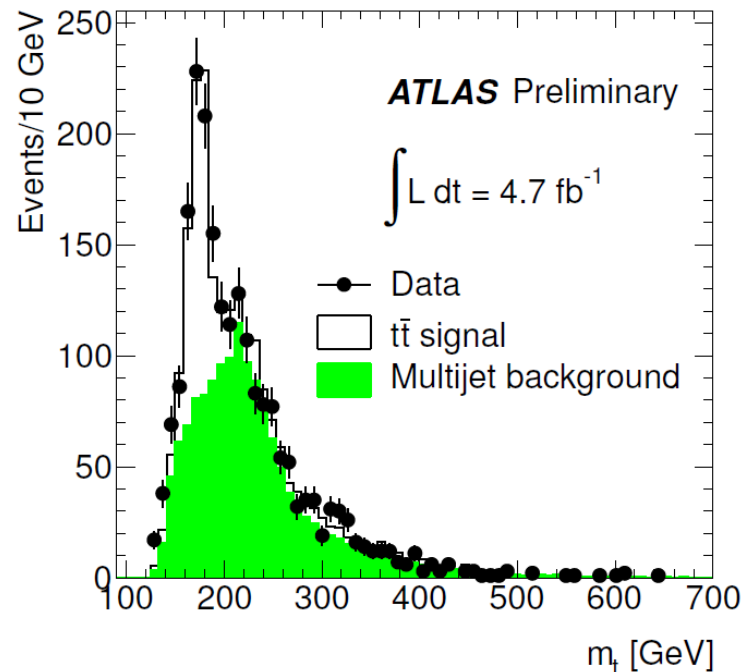
$$\sigma_{t\bar{t}} = 156 \pm 12 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 33 \text{ (sys.)} \pm 3 \text{ (lumi) pb}$$

ATLAS, 1.7/fb, ATLAS-CONF-2012-032

$$\sigma_{t\bar{t}} = 200 \pm 19 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 43 \text{ (syst.) pb}$$

Hadronic channel:

ATLAS, 4.7/fb, ATLAS-CONF-2012-031



$$\sigma_{t\bar{t}} = 168 \pm 12 \text{ (stat.)}_{-57}^{+60} \text{ (syst.)} \pm 6 \text{ (lum.) pb}$$

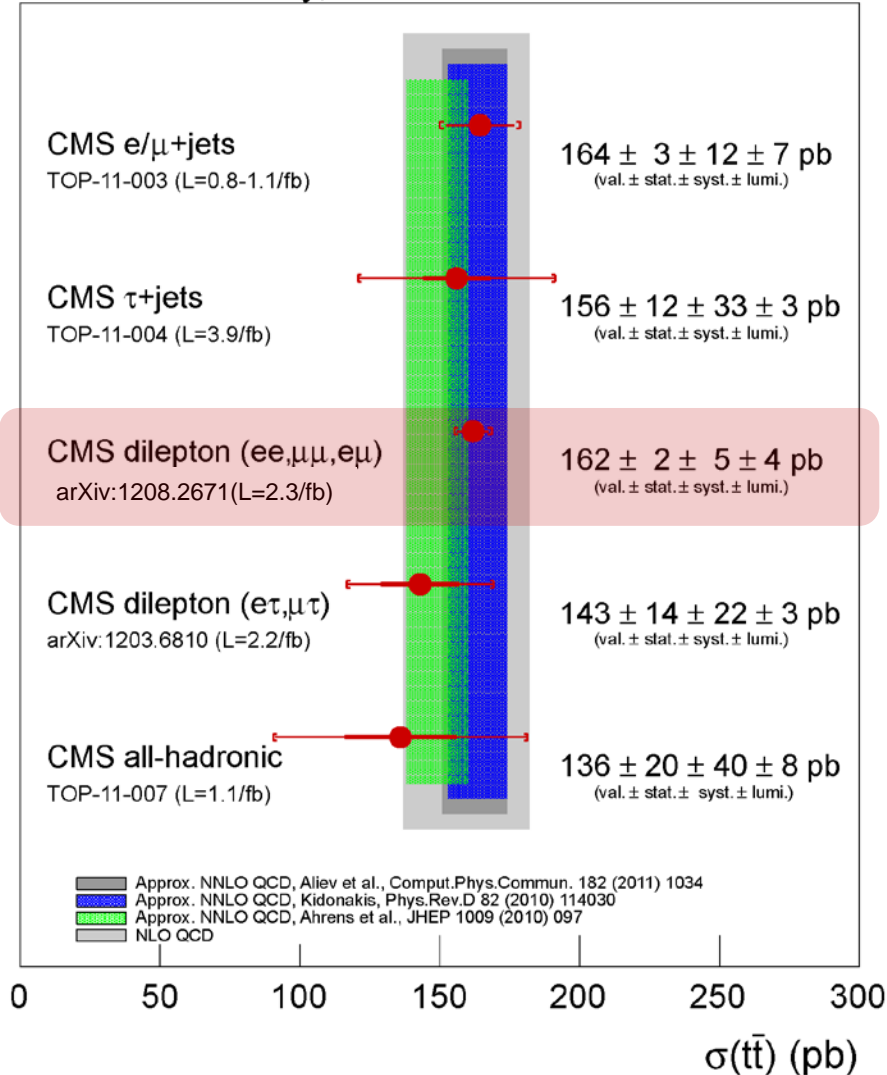
CMS, 1.1/fb, CMS-PAS-TOP-11-007

$$\sigma_{t\bar{t}} = 136 \pm 20 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 40 \text{ (sys.)} \pm 8 \text{ (lumi.) pb}$$

Overview of 7 TeV measurements

ICHEP 2012

CMS Preliminary, $\sqrt{s}=7$ TeV



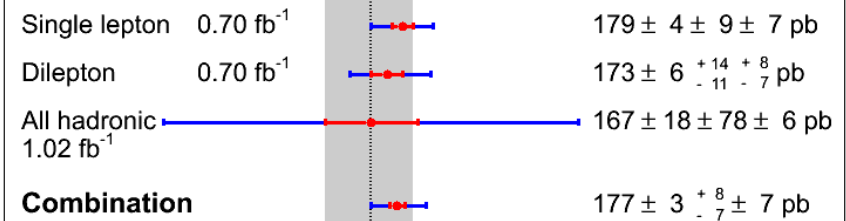
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ATLAS Preliminary

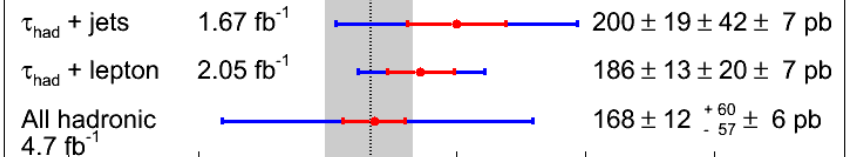
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Data 2011

Channel & Lumi.



New measurements



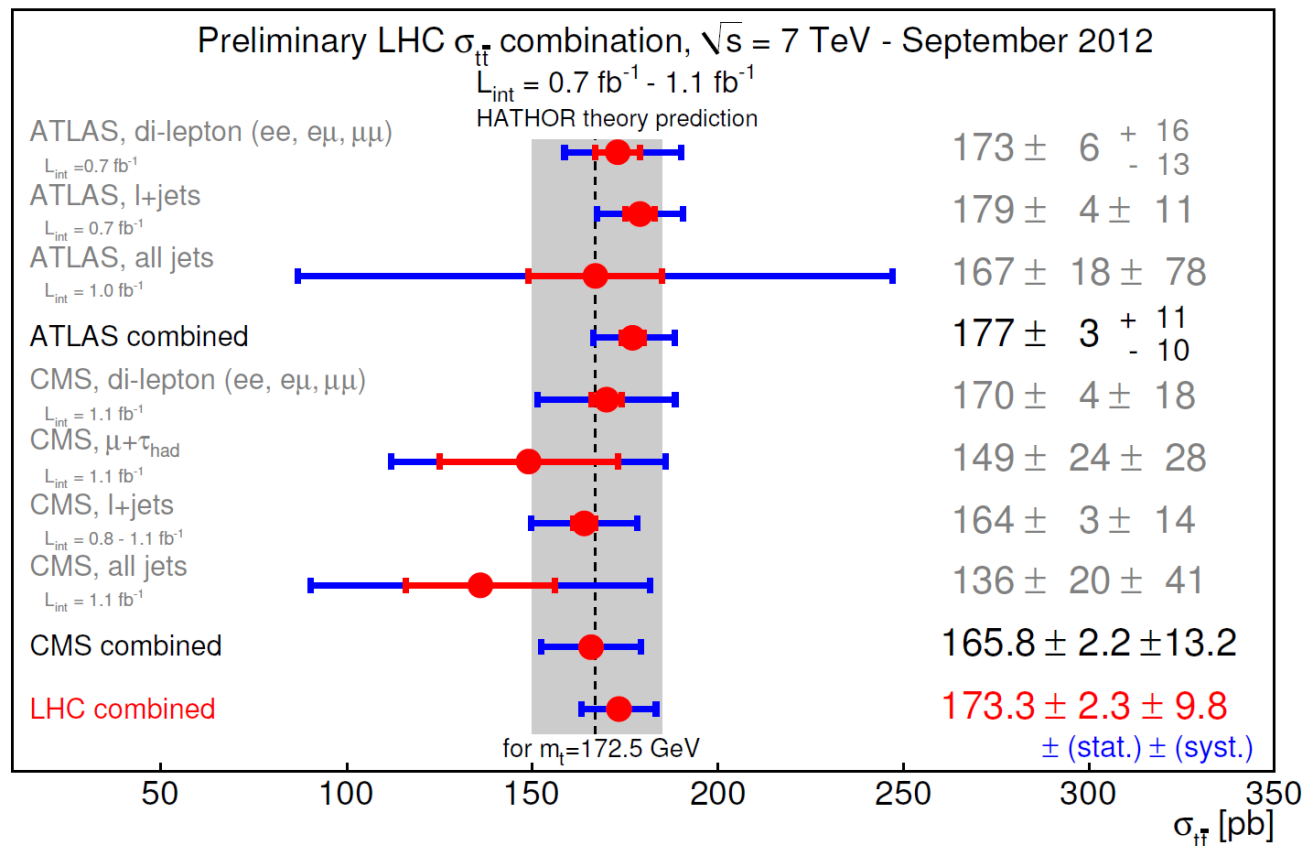
X-axis: $\sigma_{t\bar{t}}$ [pb]

[does not include new l +jets measurement with soft muon b -tag]

LHC Combination

ATLAS-CONF-2012-134
CMS-PAS-TOP-12-003

- **NEW September 2012**
- Use individual ATLAS, CMS combinations as input
- Use BLUE method
- Weights: ATLAS 67%, CMS 33%
- Uncertainty 5.8%

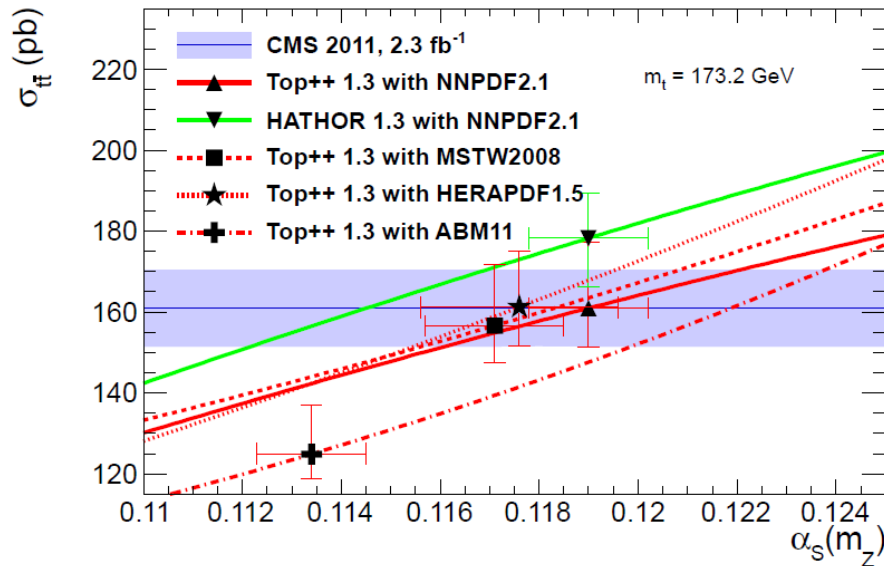


Not using latest measurements based on full dataset, e.g. CMS dilepton ...

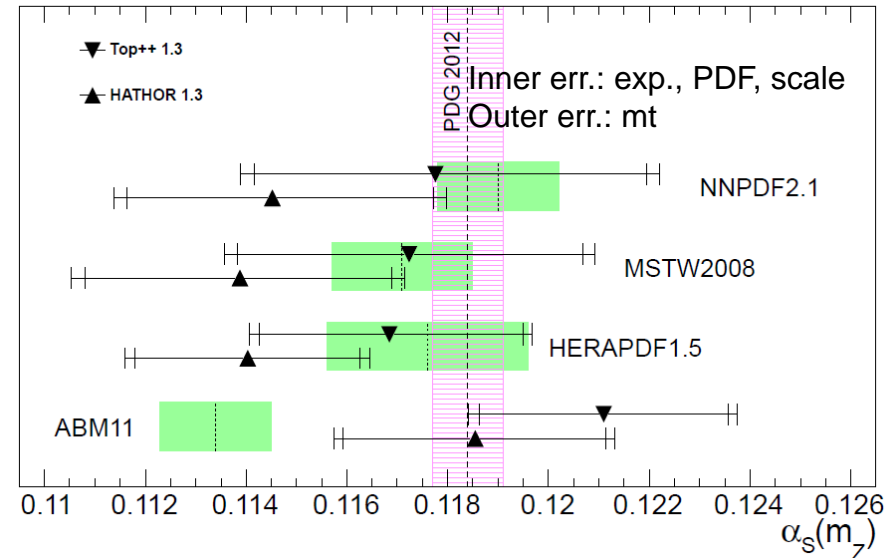
First determination of α_s from $t\bar{t}$ cross section

CMS PAS TOP-12-022

- Exploit theory relation $\sigma_{t\bar{t}}(m_t, \alpha_s)$ - as in approximate NNLO (HATHOR, TOP++) for given set of PDF
- Experimental input: CMS dilepton cross section, world average m_t



2.3 fb⁻¹ of 2011 CMS data \times approx. NNLO for $\sigma_{t\bar{t}}$, $\sqrt{s} = 7$ TeV, $m_t = 173.2 \pm 1.4$ GeV



- Most likely α_s per PDF set obtained by likelihood maximization
- HATHOR yielding systematically lower results due to theory approximations (larger $\sigma_{t\bar{t}}$)

First determination from $t\bar{t}b\bar{b}$ / precision comparable with jet-based extractions

Total Cross Section at the 8 TeV LHC

Cross section at the 8 TeV LHC

CMS, 2.8/fb,

TOP-12-006 and TOP-12-007

- Combination of measurements in lepton+jets and dilepton channels

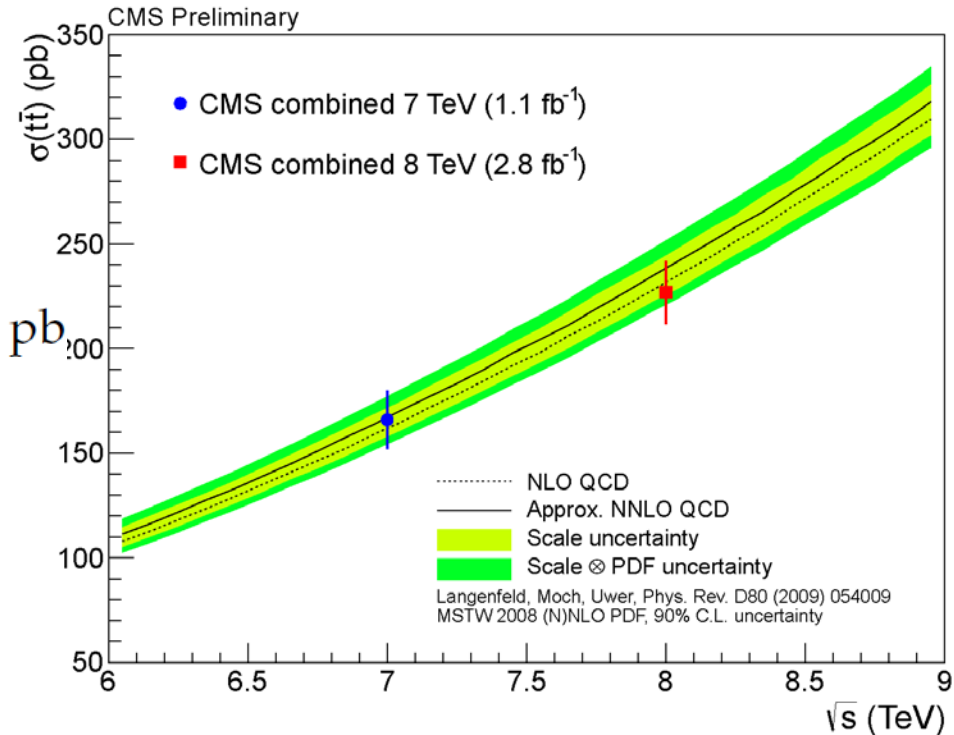
$$\sigma_{t\bar{t}} = 227 \pm 3 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 11 \text{ (syst.)} \pm 10 \text{ (lumi)} \text{ pb}$$

NEW: ATLAS l+jets, 5.8/fb,
ATLAS-CONF-2012-149

- lepton + 3 jets (one b-tagged)
- kinematical likelihood discriminant fit

$$\sigma_{t\bar{t}} = 241 \pm 2 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 31 \text{ (syst.)} \pm 9 \text{ (lumi.)} \text{ pb}$$

Theory: $\sigma_{t\bar{t}} = 220 + 13 - 11 \text{ (scale)} + 5 - 6 \text{ (PDF)} \text{ pb}$
[TOP++1.4, Czakon & Mitov, arXiv:1210.6832]



Plan: (double) ratios e.g.
 $t\bar{t}/Z(8) / t\bar{t}/Z(7)$
sensitive to new physics

Differential Cross Sections

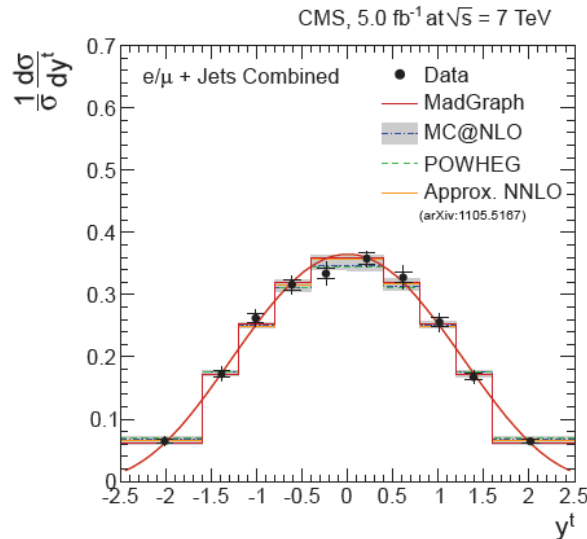
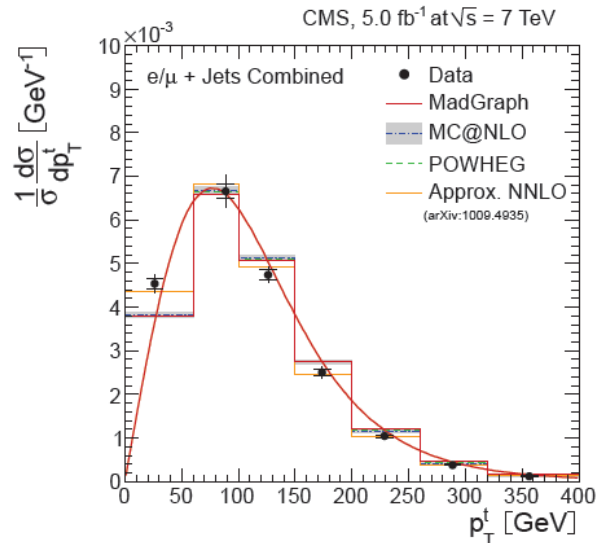
Motivation:

- Profit from huge sample of $t\bar{t}$ events at LHC
- Validation of MC models
- Reduction of systematic uncertainties due to $t\bar{t}$ modeling
- Important for searches/measurements where top is large background (e.g. Higgs, SUSY)

Techniques:

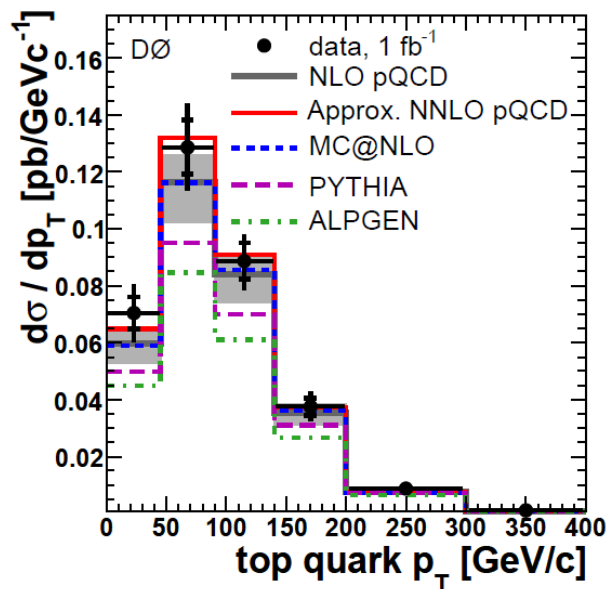
- Unfolded cross sections for comparisons with theory and across experiments
- Quote results at hadron or parton level, within visible phase space or extrapolated to full phase space

Top quark p_T, y and MET



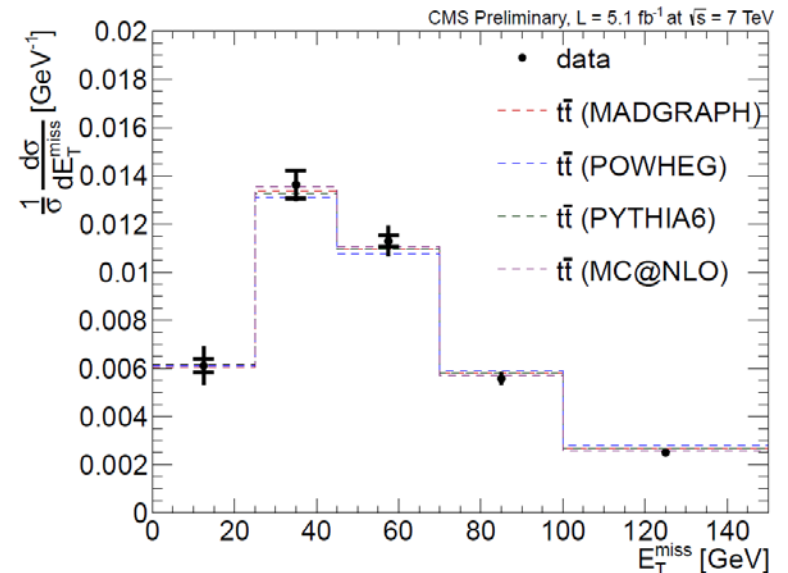
NEW: CMS l+jets, 5.0/fb
arXiv1211.2220

CMS l+jets, 5.1/fb,
PAS-TOP-12-019



Approx. NNLO:
Improved descr.
at low p_T

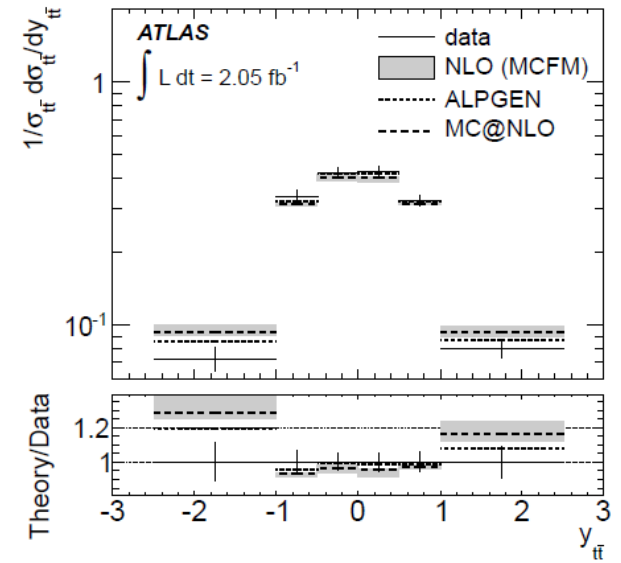
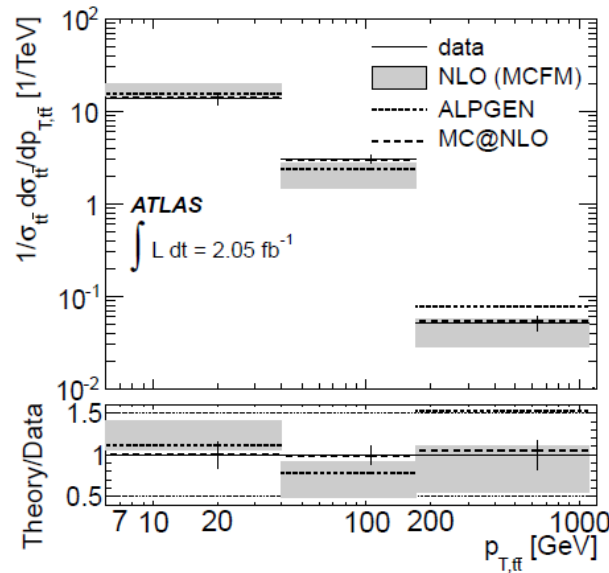
DØ l+jets, 1/fb
arXiv:1001.1900



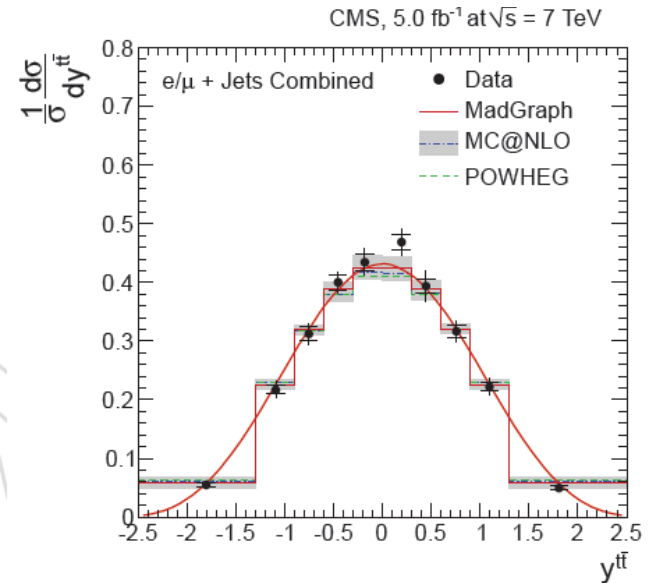
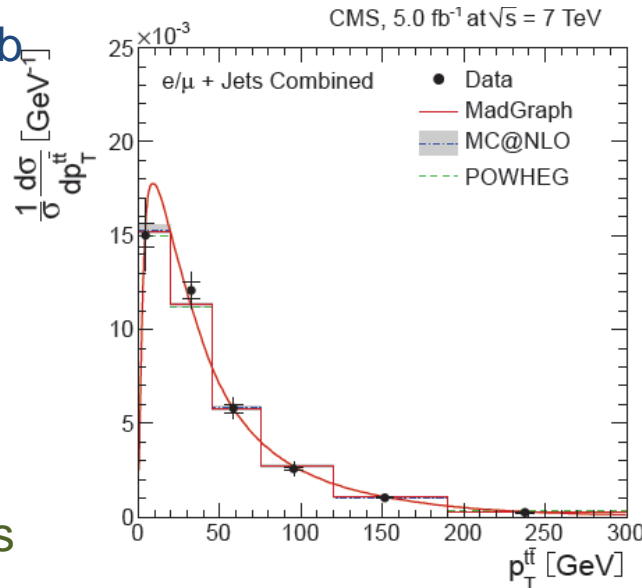
Good agreement of shapes with MC models

p_T, y of $t\bar{t}$ system

ATLAS $l+jets$, 2.1/fb,
arXiv:1207.5644



NEW: CMS $l+jets$, 5.0/fb
arXiv1211.2220

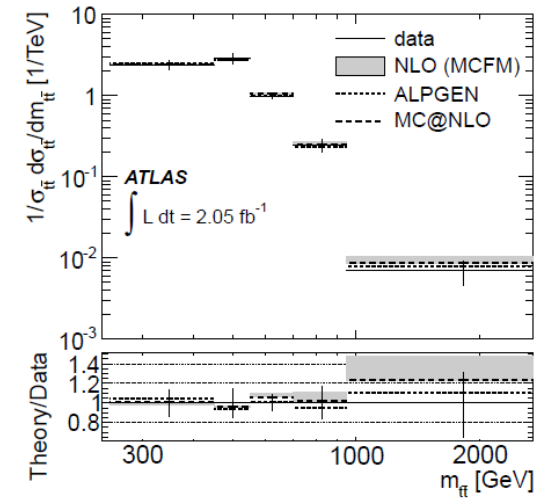
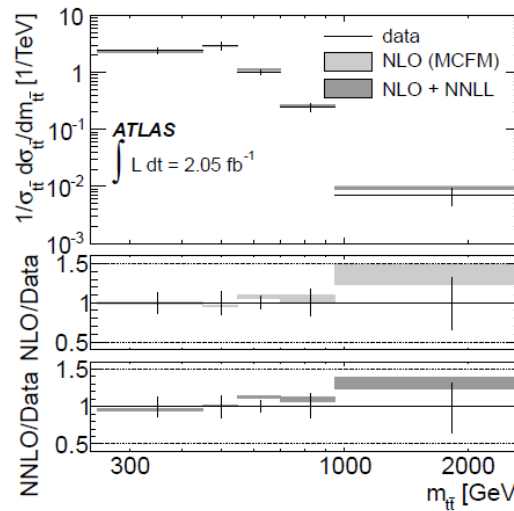


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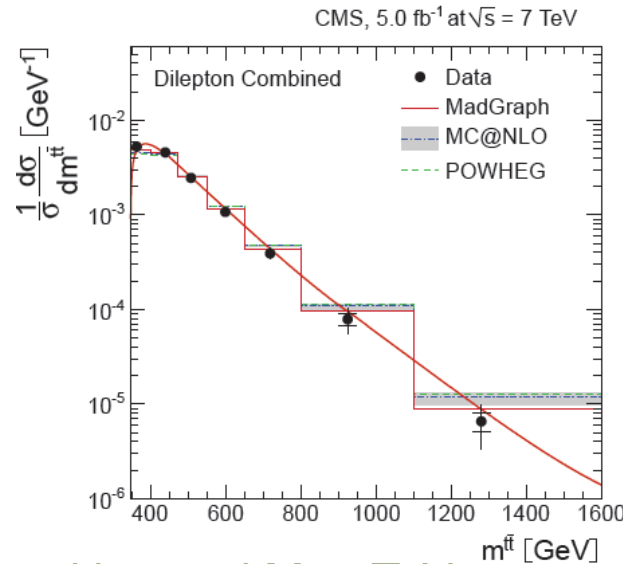
tt invariant mass distribution

Sensitive to new physics
coupling to tt, e.g. $Z' \rightarrow tt$...

ATLAS l+jets, 2.1/fb,
arXiv:1207.5644

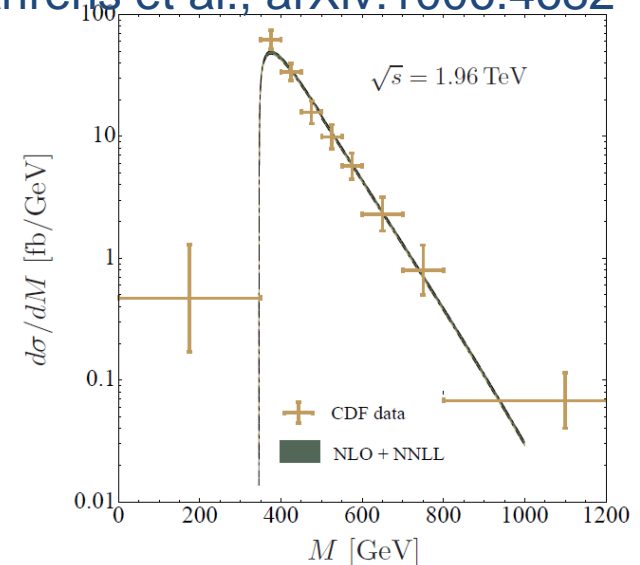


CMS dilepton, 5.0/fb
arXiv1211.2220 (NEW)



Good agreement observed beyond $M=1 \text{ TeV}$
See talk by Bernd Stelzer for dedicated $M(tt)$ searches

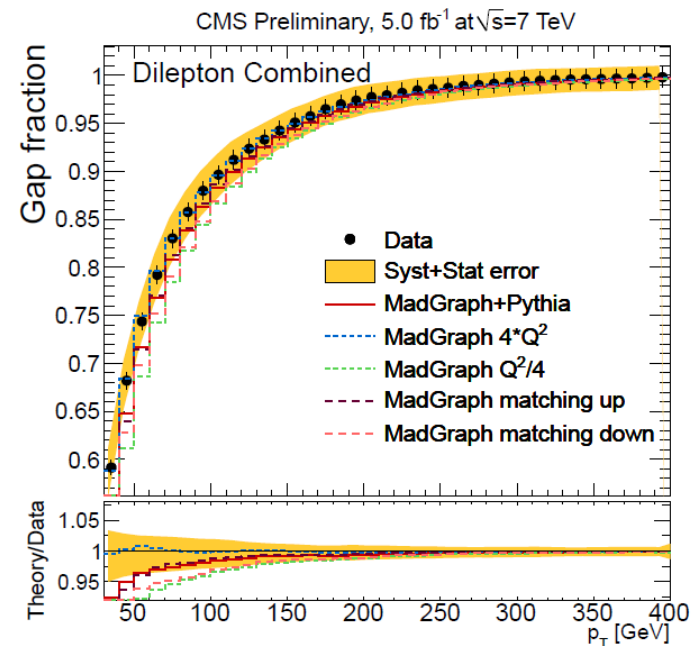
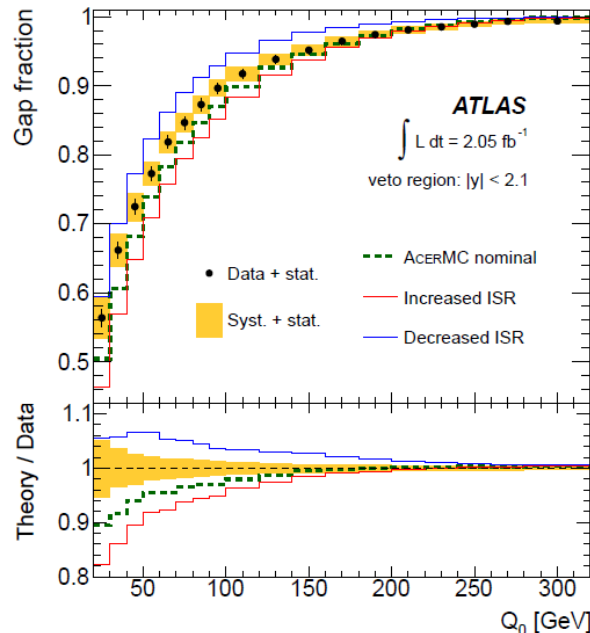
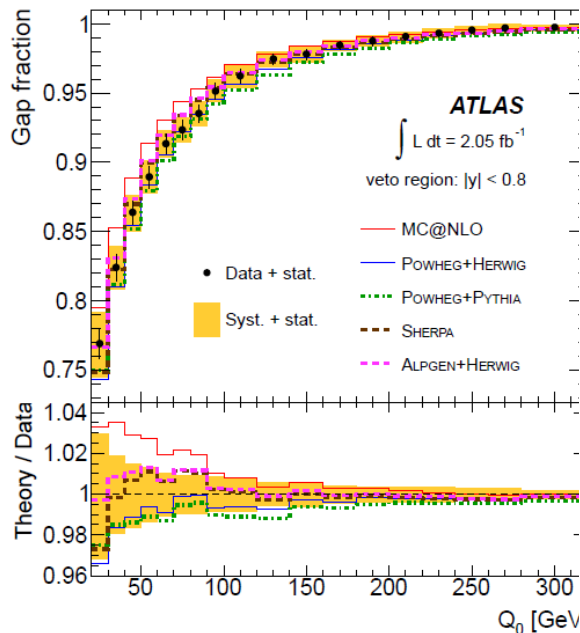
CDF, 2.7/fb, arXiv:0903.2850
Ahrens et al., arXiv:1006.4682



ttbar with veto on extra jets

ATLAS, 2.1/fb, arXiv:1203.5015 - CMS, 5.0/fb, CMS PAS TOP-12-023

- Corrected fraction of ttbar events with no extra jet above a given Pt cut
- Compared with ME+PS and NLO generators
- Exp. uncertainties often smaller than spread between models



Central region:
 Too few jets from MC@NLO

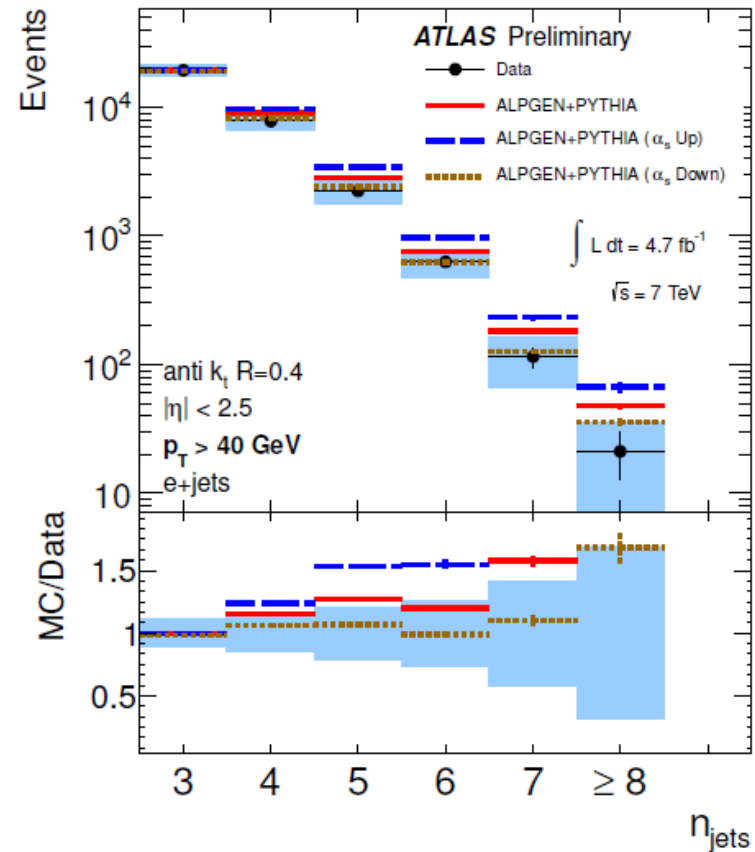
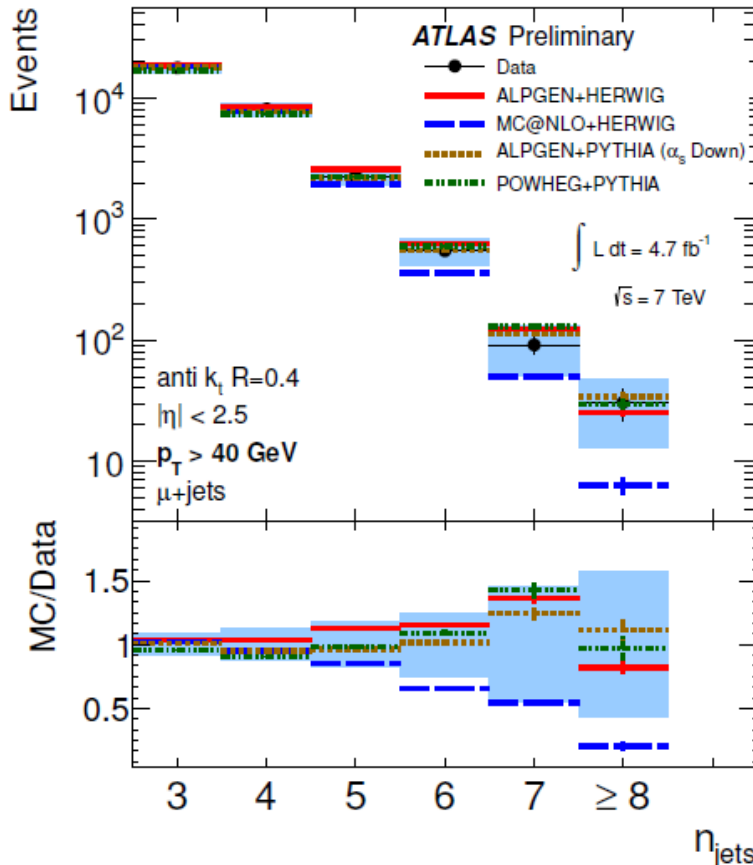
- Constrain parameters of QCD radiation model (ISR/FSR, Q², matching threshold)
- Reduction of systematic uncertainties

$t\bar{t}$ in association with (b-)jets

tt+jets

NEW: ATLAS l+jets, 4.7/fb, ATLAS-CONF-2012-155

Contributions from tt+1,2,... additional jets enhanced for N(jets)>4 (l+jets)



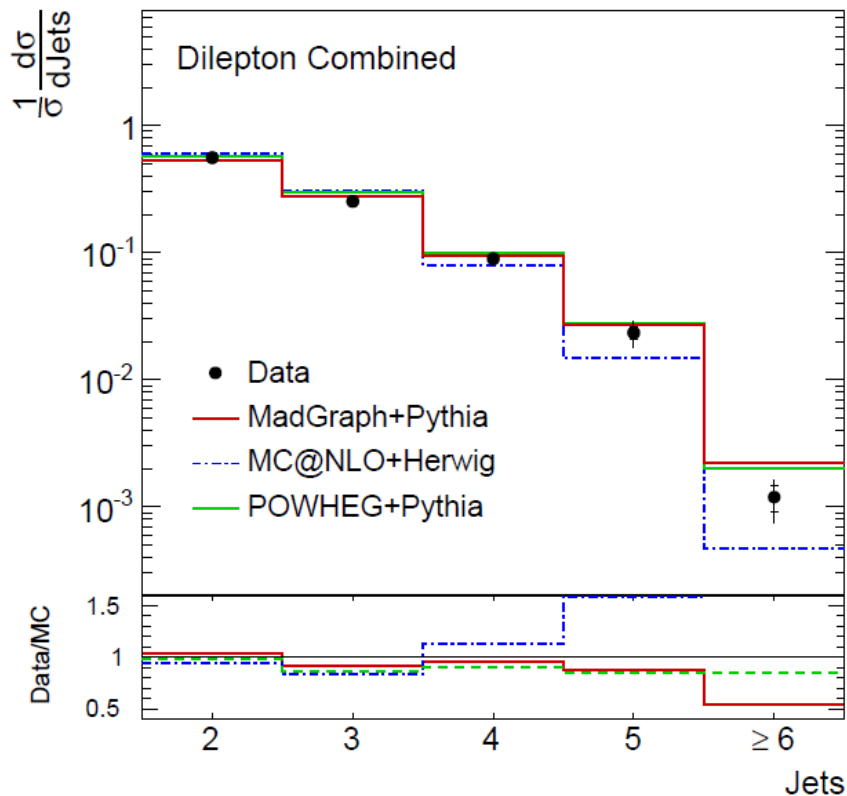
MC@NLO underestimates large N(jets)
 [known: PS over-emphasized w.r.t. ME for tt+j]
 POWHEG in better agreement with data

Lower alpha-s value in ME
 favored for ALPGEN +PYTHIA

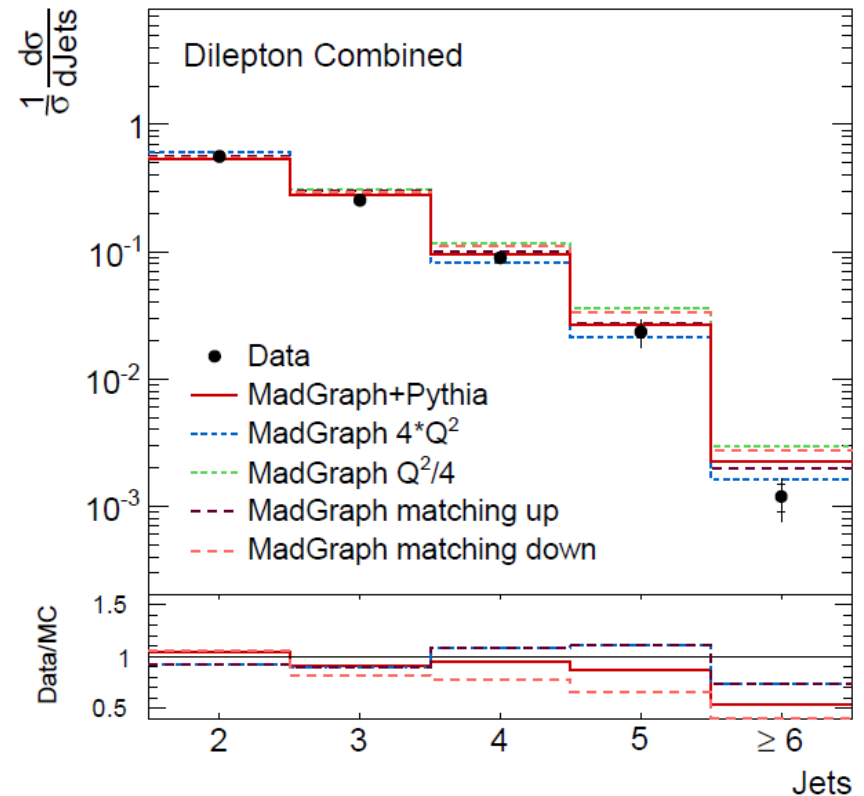
tt+jets (cont.)

CMS dileptons, 5/fb, CMS-PAS-TOP-12-023

CMS Preliminary, 5.0 fb⁻¹ at $\sqrt{s}=7$ TeV



CMS Preliminary, 5.0 fb⁻¹ at $\sqrt{s}=7$ TeV

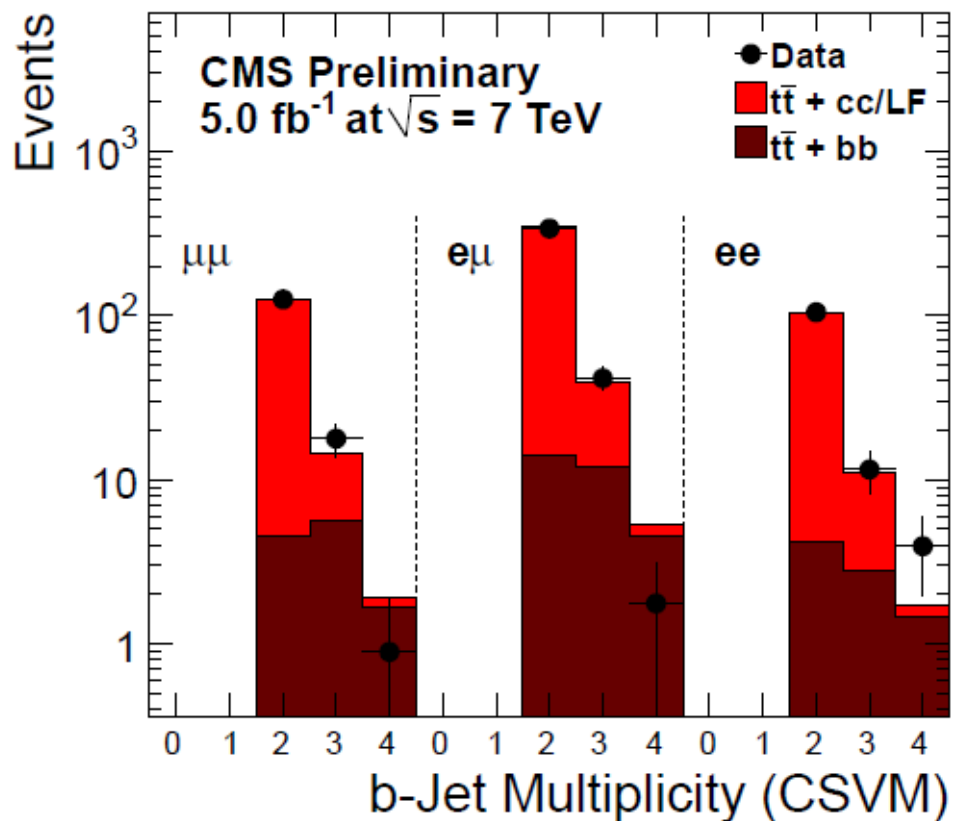


- Observe differences in models with respect to add'l. parton radiation
- Constrain parameter ranges (Q², ISR/FSR)
- Aim at comparison with NLO calculations

First measurement of $\sigma(ttbb)/\sigma(ttjj)$

$ttjj$ and $ttbb$ are important backgrounds for $ttH(bb)$...

CMS dileptons, 5/fb, CMS-PAS-TOP-12-024



- b-jet multiplicity in dilepton events with ≥ 4 jets

- Cross section ratio at particle level in visible phase space

$$\sigma(t\bar{t}b\bar{b})/\sigma(t\bar{t}jj) = 3.6 \pm 1.1(\text{stat.}) \pm 0.9(\text{syst.})\%$$

- Madgraph 1.2%
- Powheg 1.3%

Aim at comparisons
with NLO QCD calculations

$t\bar{t}+V$

tt+ γ /W/Z

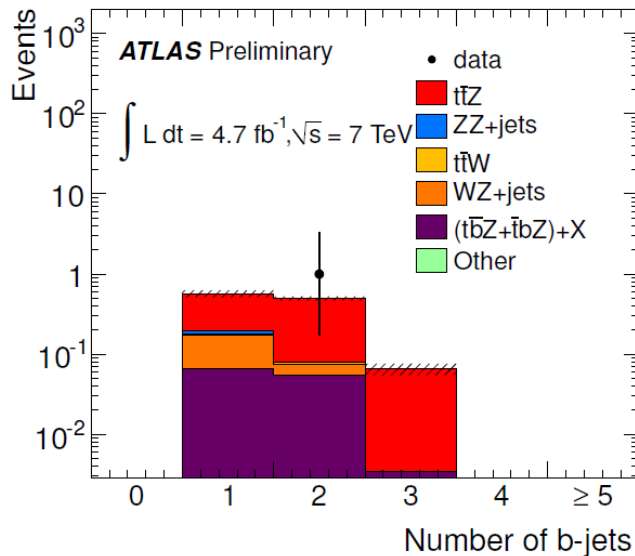
Goal: measure couplings to bosons

tt+gamma (ATLAS-CONF-2011-153)

$$\sigma_{t\bar{t}\gamma} \cdot \text{BR} = 2.0 \pm 0.5 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 0.7 \text{ (syst.)} \pm 0.08 \text{ (lumi.) pb}$$

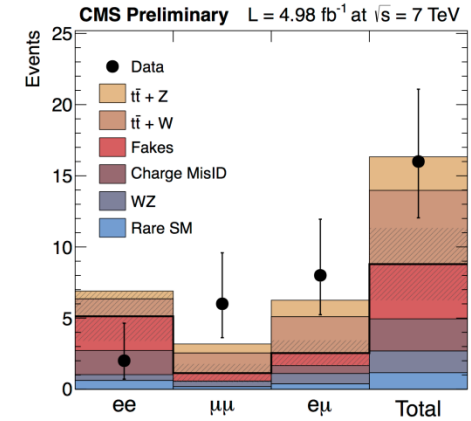
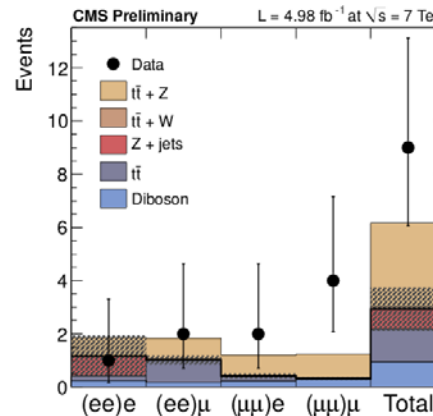
($p_{T,\gamma} > 8 \text{ GeV}$) consistent with NLO

ATLAS ttZ search, 4.7/fb,
ATLAS-CONF-2012-126

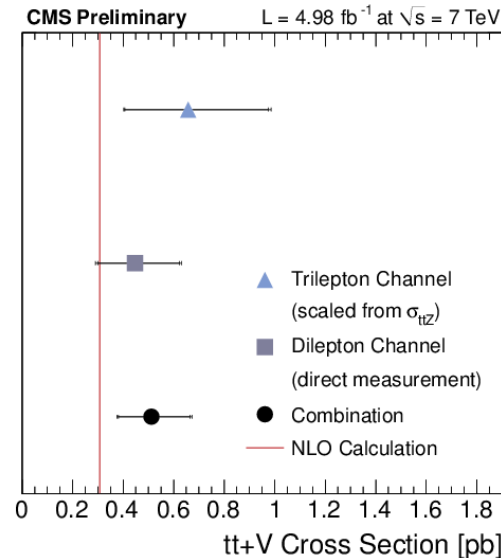


Upper limit $\sigma(\text{ttZ}) < 0.71 \text{ pb @ 95\%CL}$
Consistent with SM $\sigma = 0.14 \text{ pb}$

CMS tt+W/Z, 5.0/fb, CMS PAS-TOP-12-014



Trileptons



Dileptons

4.7 σ evidence
for ttV

consistent
with NLO QCD

Conclusions

- The era of precision top quark physics, started at the TEVATRON, is continuing at LHC
 - 5% precision on total cross section (CMS dilepton), competing with theory uncertainty
 - First round of differential cross section measurements
 - Measurements of $t\bar{t}+X$, where $X=(b\bar{b})\text{jets}, \gamma, W, Z$
- Next: Even more precise total and differential cross sections
 - Validate MC models (and variations), compare with (N)NLO
 - Constraints on m_t , $xg(x, Q^2)$ and α_s
- Beyond precision QCD:
 - Understanding ISR in $gg \rightarrow t\bar{t}$ important also for $gg \rightarrow H$
 - $t\bar{t}+jj$, $t\bar{t}+bb$ major backgrounds for $t\bar{t}H$
 - Constrain backgrounds in Higgs/SUSY searches/measurements