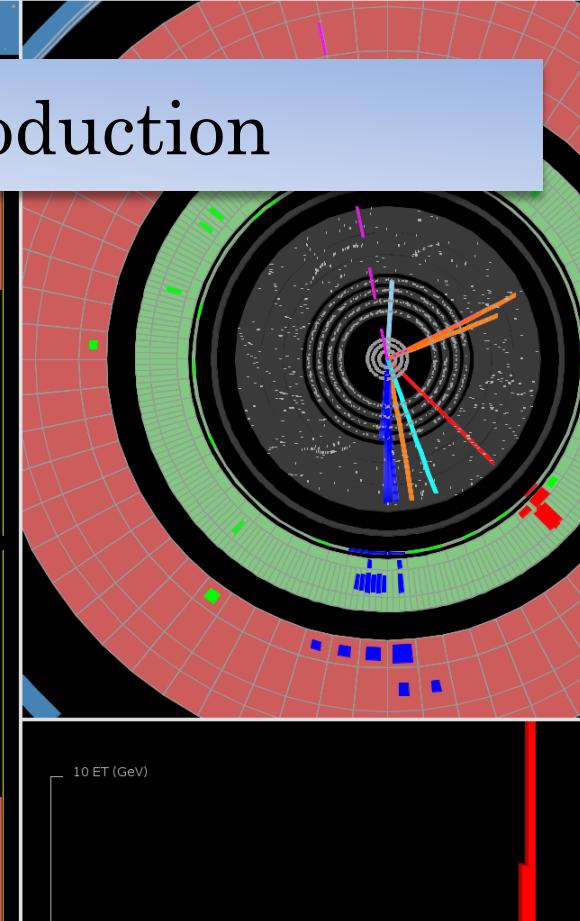
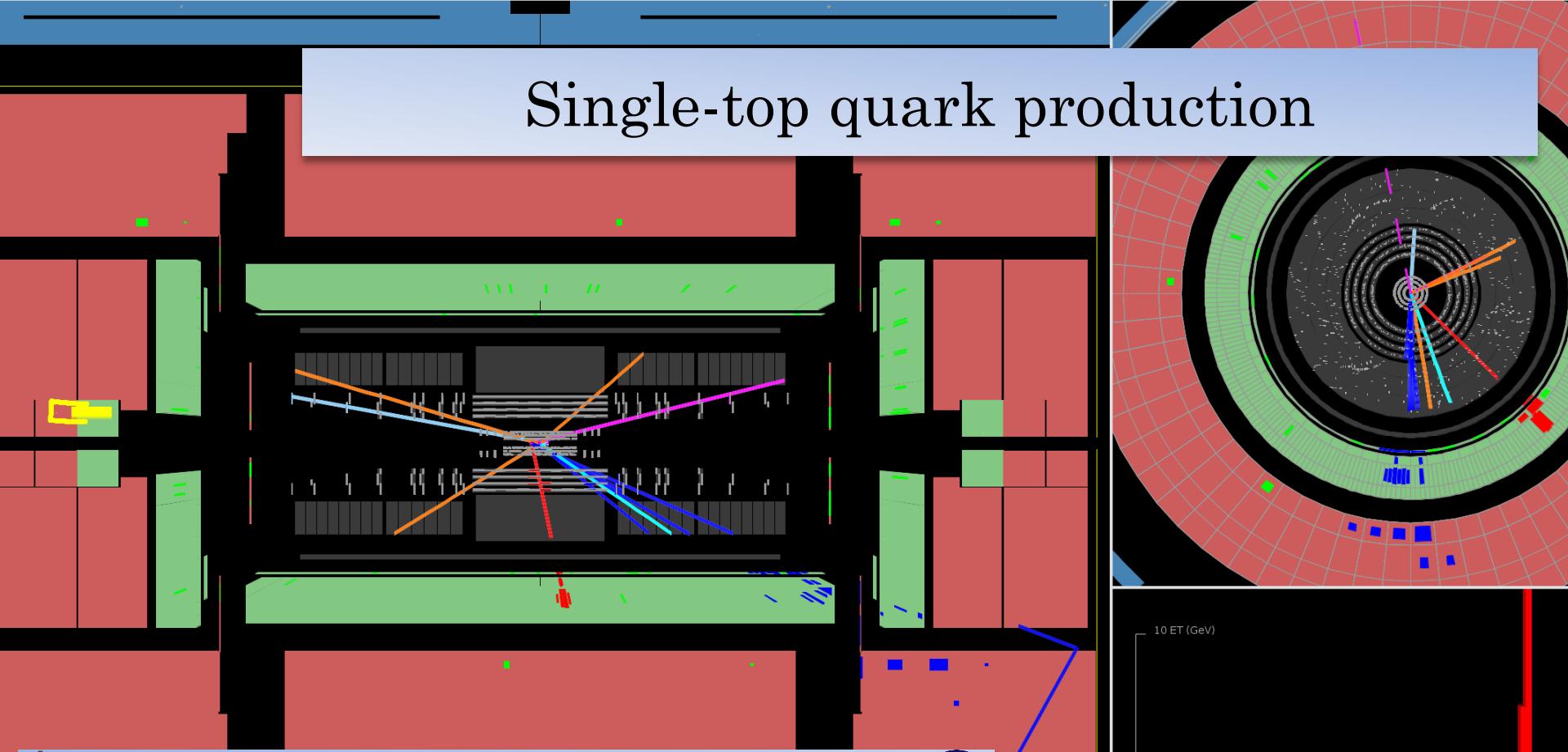
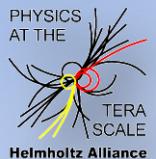


Single-top quark production



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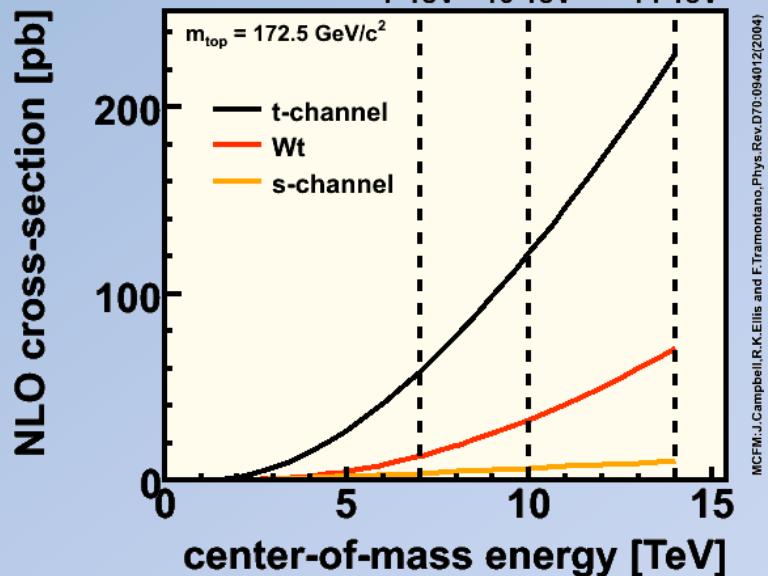
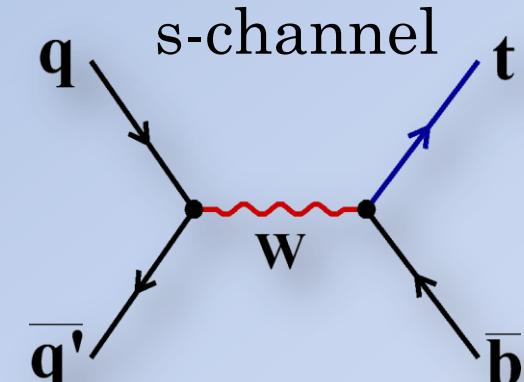
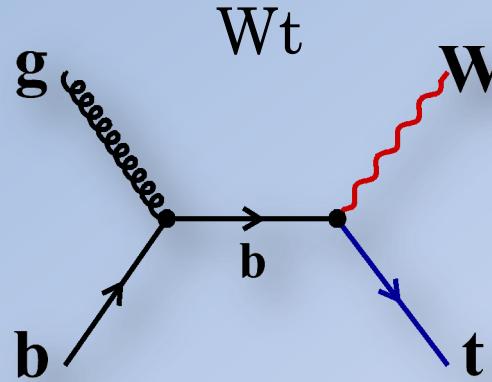
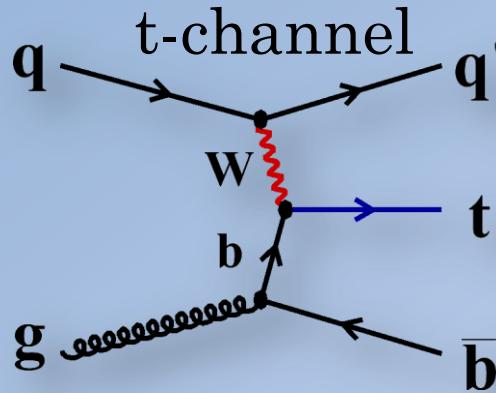


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Production of single top quark events



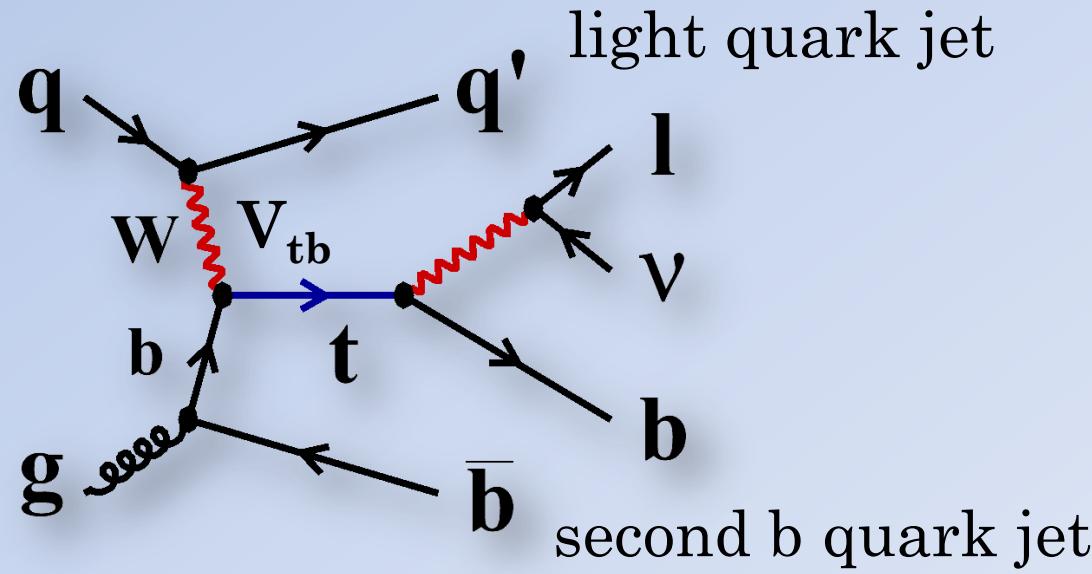
| Cross sections | 1.96 TeV $m_t = 173 \text{ GeV}$ | 7 TeV $m_t = 172.5 \text{ GeV}$ |
|----------------|-------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| t-channel | $2.1 \pm 0.1 \text{ pb}$ | $64.6 \pm 2.4 \text{ pb}$ |
| Wt | $0.25 \pm 0.03 \text{ pb}$ | $15.7 \pm 1.1 \text{ pb}$ |
| s channel | $1.05 \pm 0.05 \text{ pb}$ | $4.6 \pm 0.2 \text{ pb}$ |

Single-top-quark and antiquark cross sections are different for t- and s-channel at the LHC!

Calculations by N. Kidonakis:
 Phys. Rev. D83 (2011) 091503, Phys. Rev. D82 (2010)
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 at NLO + NNLL resummation (NNLO_{approx})

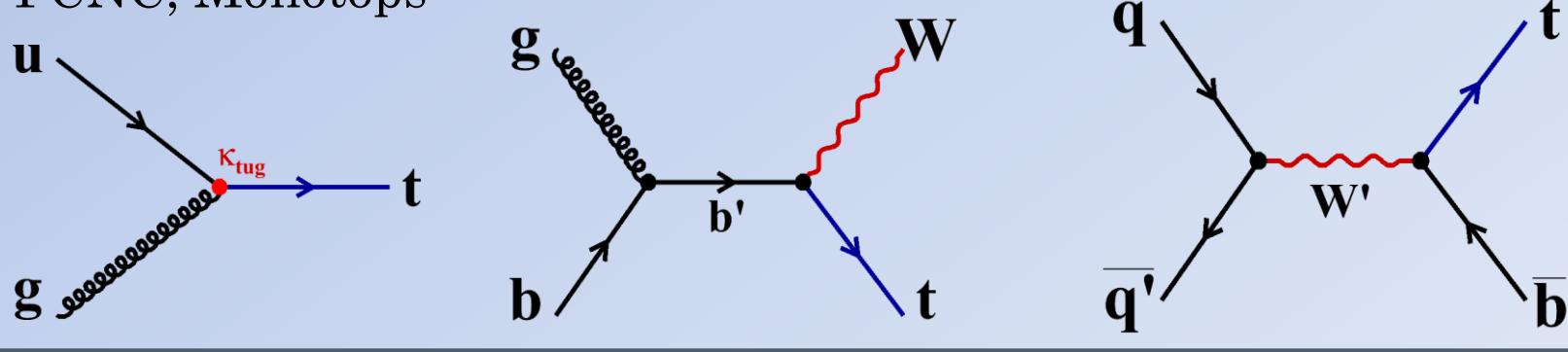
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- Single top as a complementary environment
 - Different color structure, fewer reconstruction ambiguities
 - Redo measurements of top properties:
 m_t , W polarization in top decay, ...

Single top event selection

- Lepton selection (electron / muon):

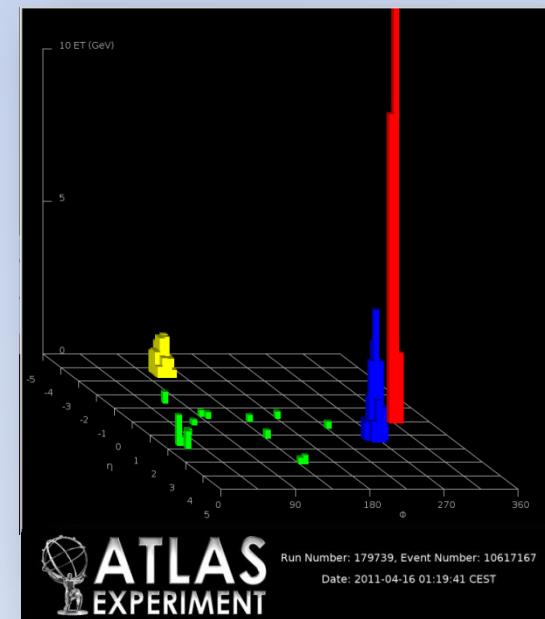
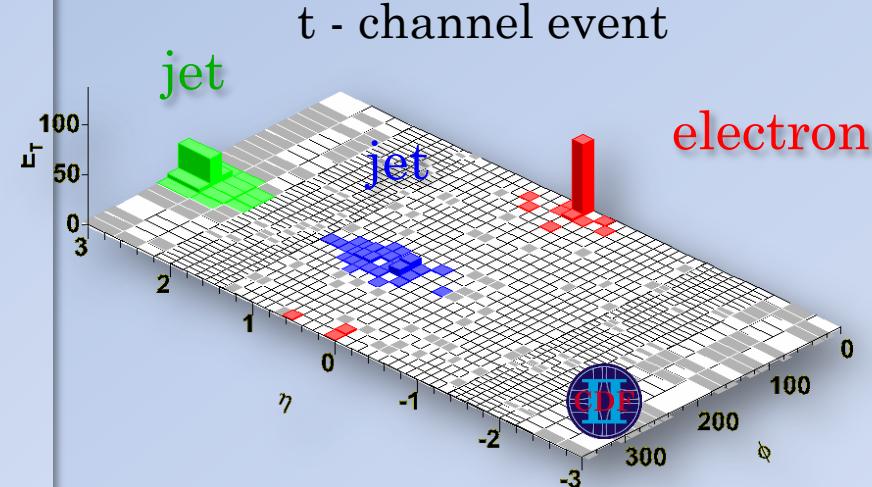
- Isolated
- Also some acceptance from leptonic tau decays

- Jets

- Anti- k_T algorithm @ LHC
- Cone algorithm @ Tevatron
- $|\eta|$: within tracker acceptance for Wt & s-channel
- including forward calorimeters for t-channel
- Identification of b-quark jets
- Number of jets: 2 - 4

- Missing transverse energy

- QCD multijet veto

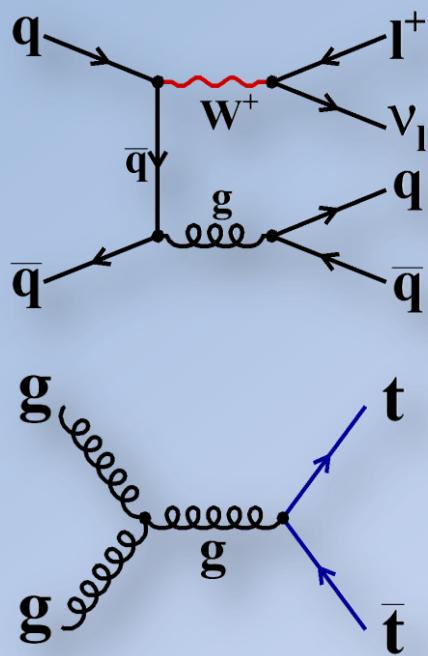


Background processes

Event signature:

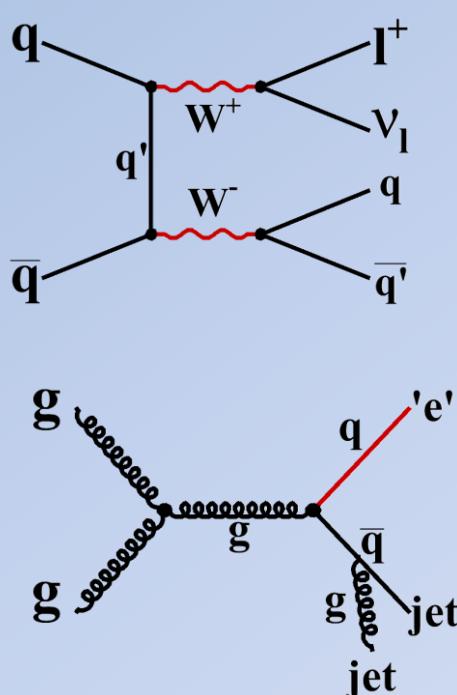
- One (lepton+jets) or two (di-lepton) **real W bosons**
- One high- P_T central **b-jet** (from top quark)

W/Z + HF pairs

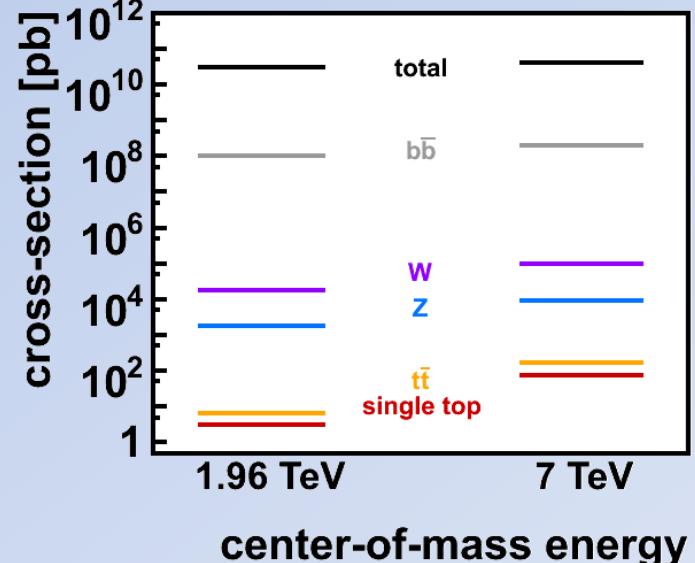


top-quark-antiquark
pair production

WW/WZ/ZZ



QCD multijets
("fake" leptons)



Background estimation - strategy

Using MC
acceptance and
modeling

$$N = \sigma \cdot \varepsilon \cdot \mathcal{L}$$



Using MC modeling
but normalization
from data

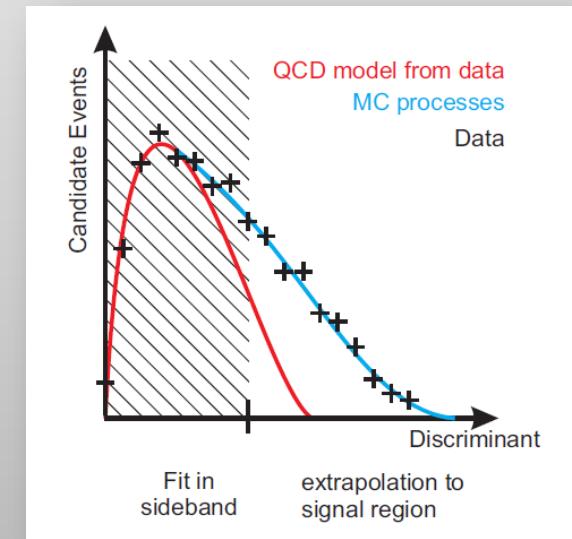
$$N_{W+jets}^{pretag} = N_{data}^{pretag} - N_{qcd}^{pretag} - N_{MC}^{pretag}$$

$$N_{\Phi,n}^{tag} = N_{data}^{pretag} F_{\Phi,n}^{pretag} P_{\Phi,n}^{tag}.$$

$$\begin{aligned} N_{data-bkg,2}^{tag} &= N_{data-bkg,2}^{pretag} \cdot (F_{bb,2}^{pretag} \cdot P_{bb,2}^{tag} + k_{ctobb}^{pretag} \cdot F_{bb,2}^{pretag} \cdot P_{cc,2}^{tag} + F_{c,2}^{pretag} \cdot P_{c,2}^{tag} \\ &+ F_{l,2}^{pretag} \cdot P_{l,2}^{tag}) = N_{data-bkg,2}^{pretag} \cdot (k_{bb1to2}^{pretag} \cdot F_{bb,1}^{pretag} \cdot P_{bb,2}^{tag} + k_{ctobb}^{pretag} \cdot k_{bb1to2}^{pretag} \cdot F_{bb,1}^{pretag} \cdot P_{cc,2}^{tag} \\ &+ k_{cto2}^{pretag} \cdot F_{c,1}^{pretag} \cdot P_{c,2}^{tag} + k_{l1to2}^{pretag} \cdot F_{l,1}^{pretag} \cdot P_{l,2}^{tag}). \end{aligned}$$

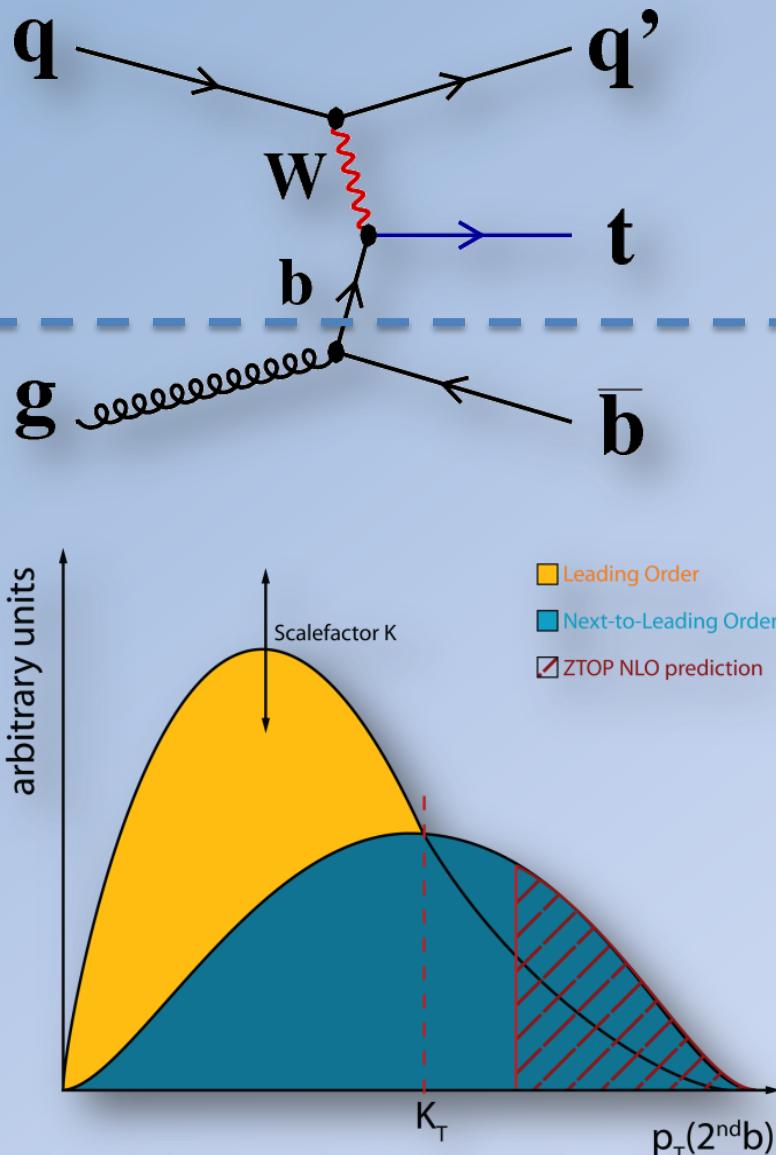


Using modeling and
normalization from data
(Mostly „fake“
backgrounds)



Similar approaches of all 4
experiments – details are different

Signal modeling – t - channel



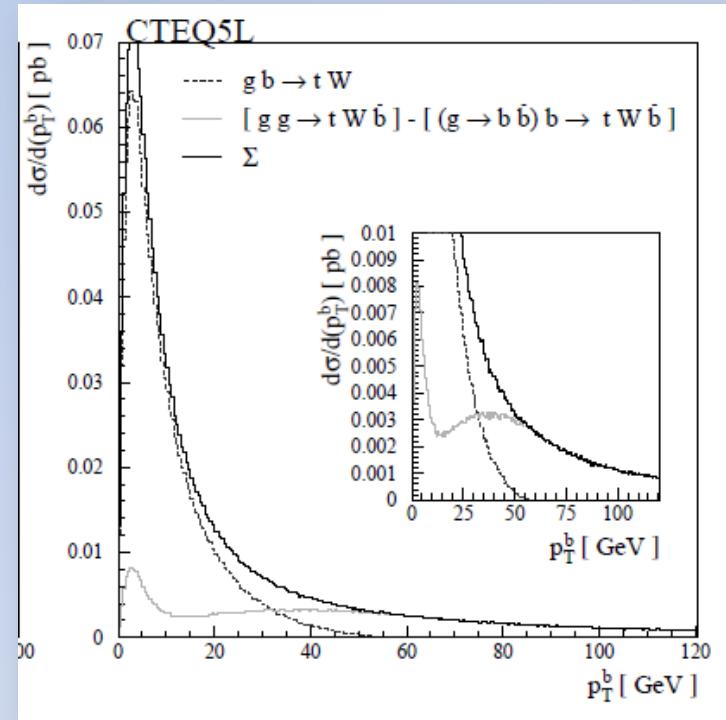
Comphep – Matching of second b

Model:

CompHEP + Pythia
AcerMC + Pythia
Powheg + Pythia



AcerMC – ACOT method

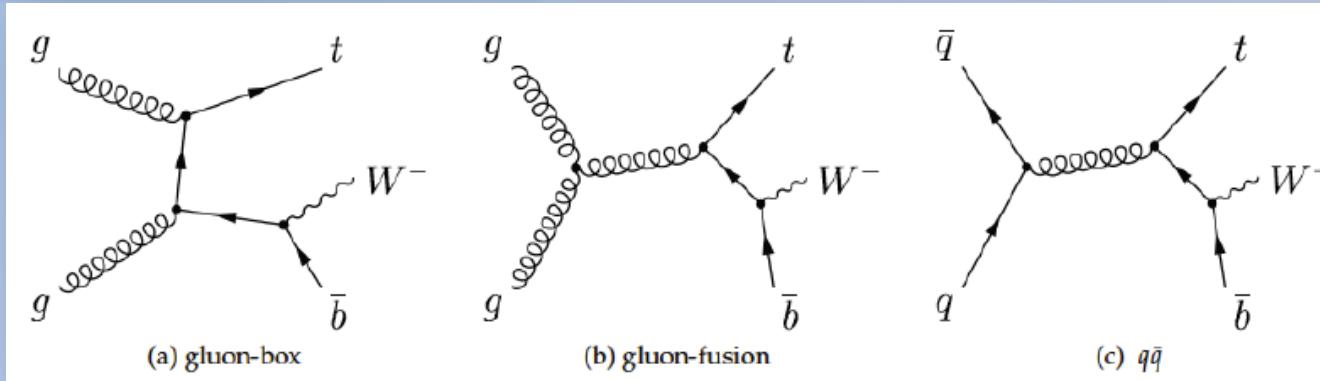


Signal modeling – Wt production

The definition of the tW process mixes with top-pair production @ NLO.

Model:

MC@NLO + Herwig
Powheg + Pythia

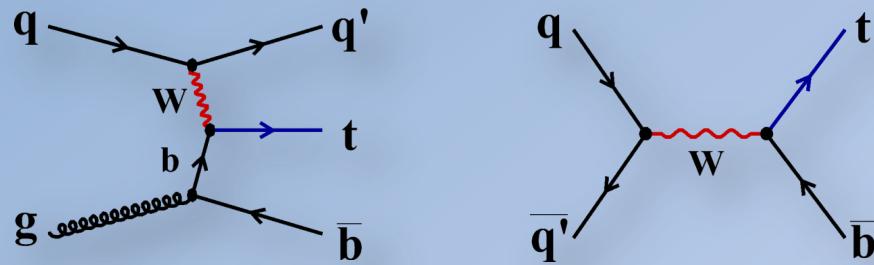


Two possible solutions:

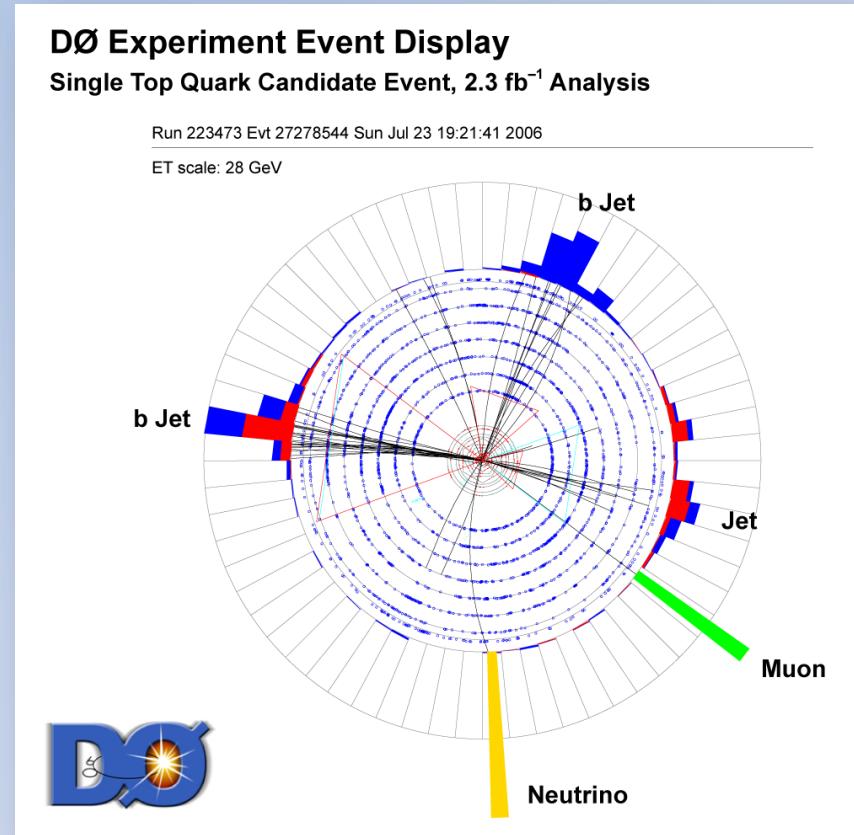
- The “diagram removal” approach (DR):
All ambiguous diagrams at NLO are excluded from the definition of signal (chosen as default)
- The “diagram subtraction” approach (DS):
Subtracts a gauge-invariant term, cancelling locally the contribution of $t\bar{t}$ diagrams

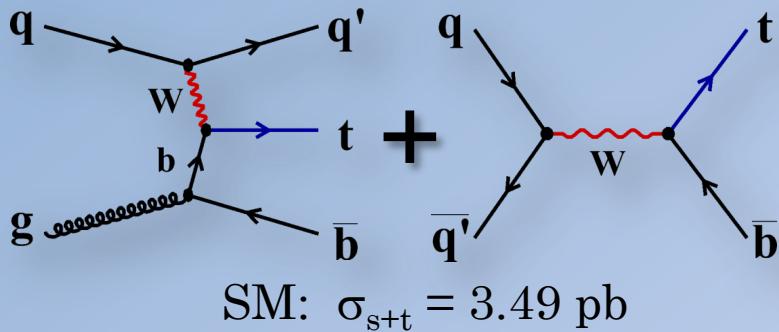
The differences between the methods are small at the end of the analysis chain and taken as a systematic uncertainty.

t- and s-channel single top quark production

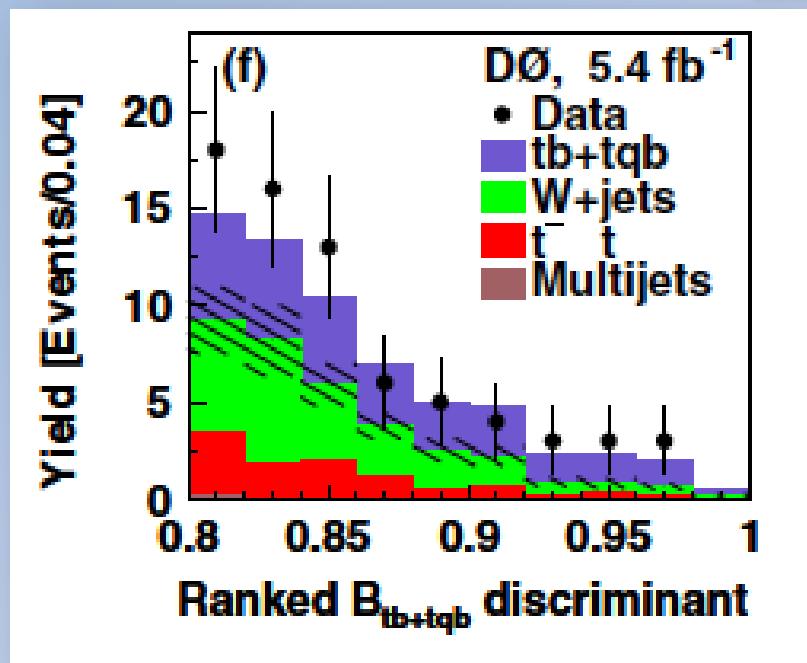


- Combined search (t+s channel)
 - 2 D search (t- vs. s-channel)
 - t-channel search → all 4 experiments
 - s-channel search → only ATLAS
- Only Tevatron



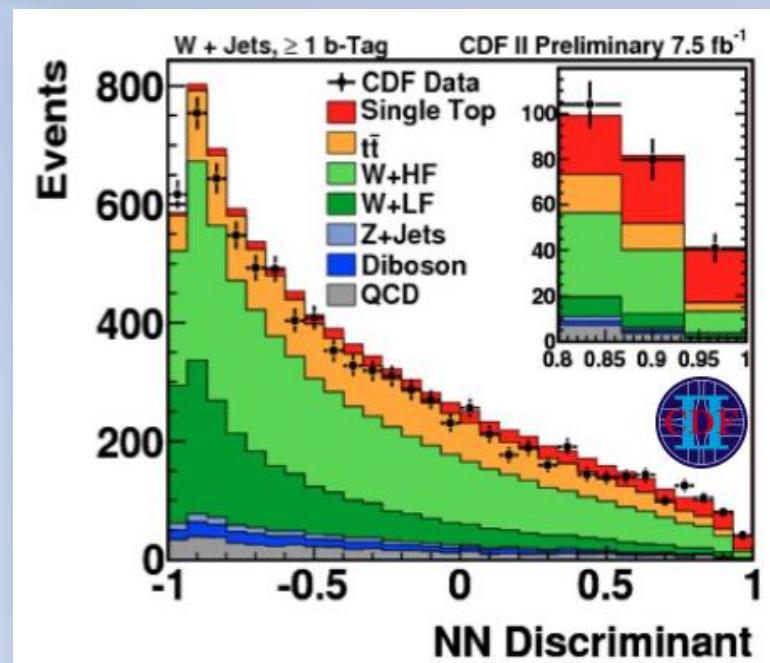


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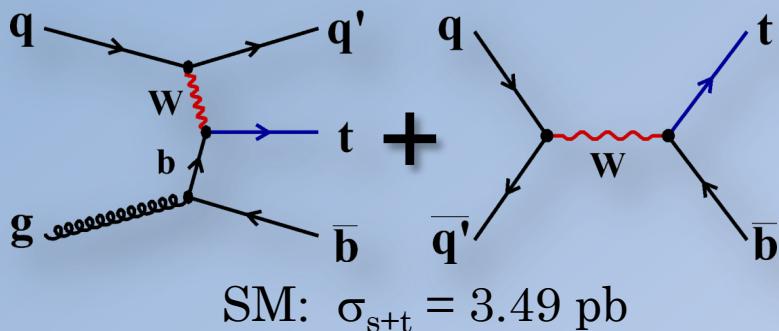
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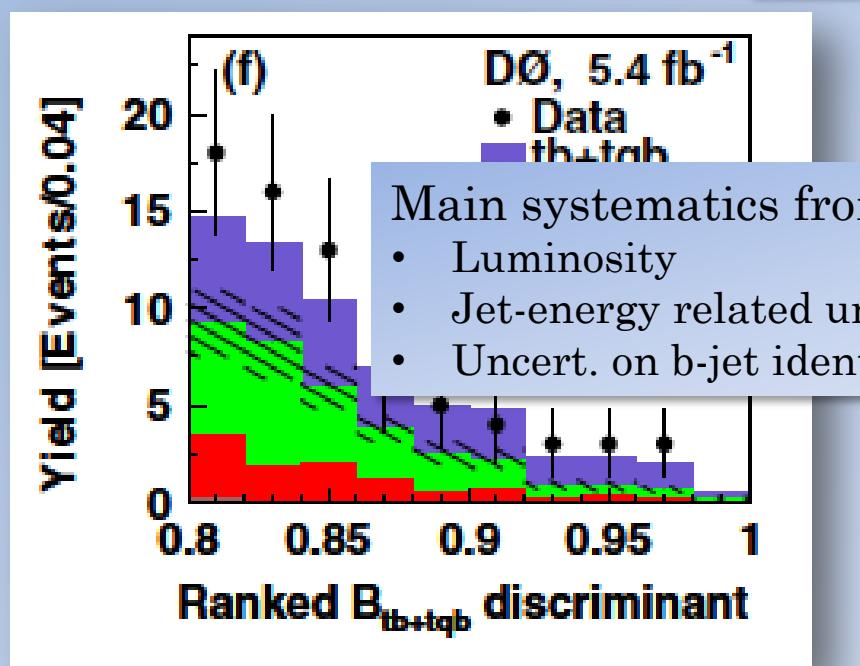
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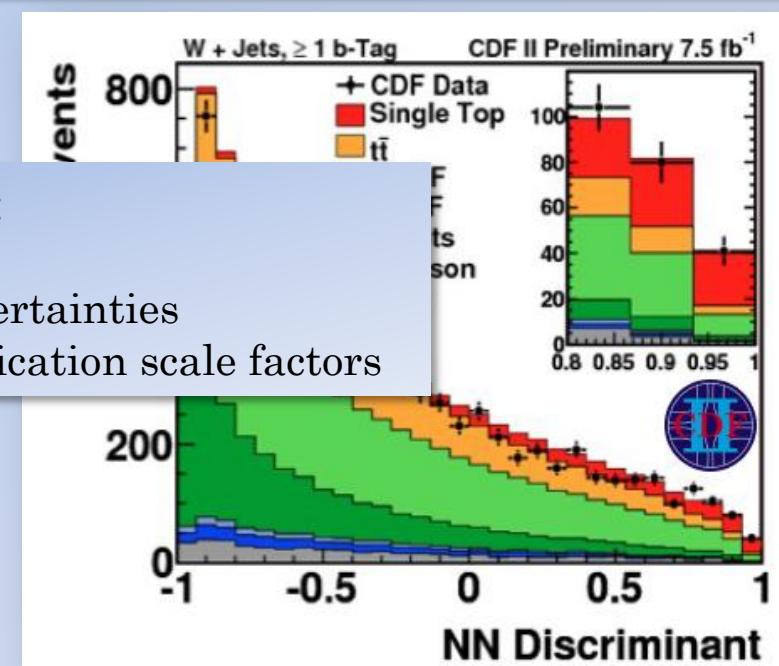


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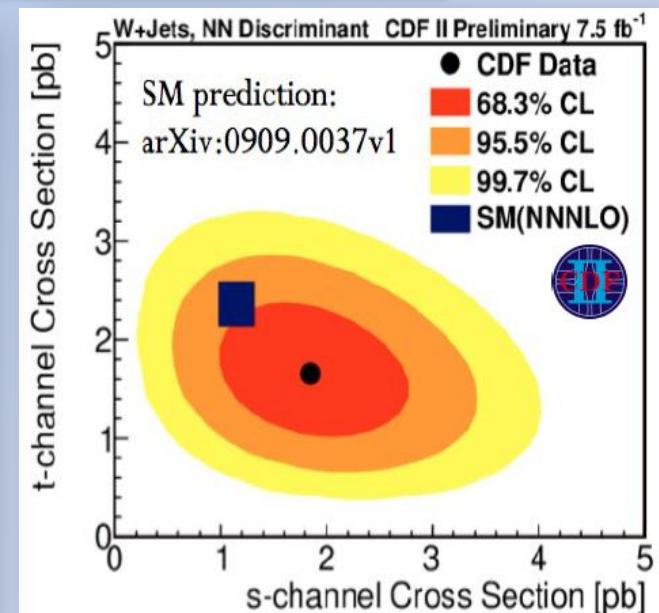
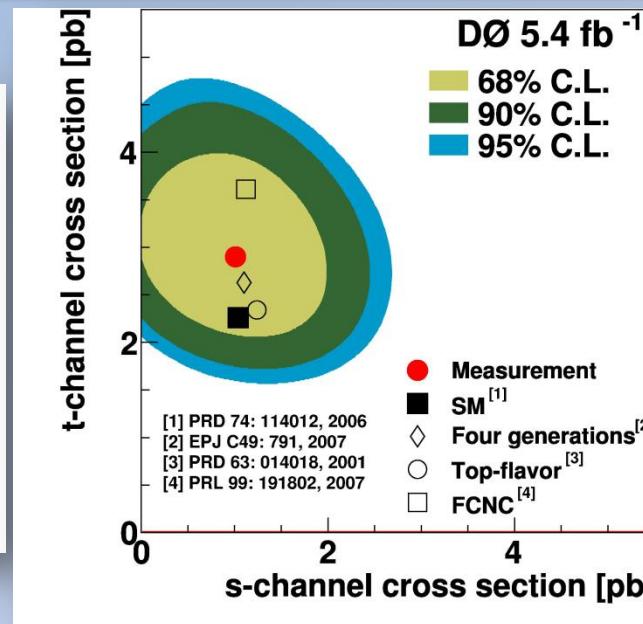
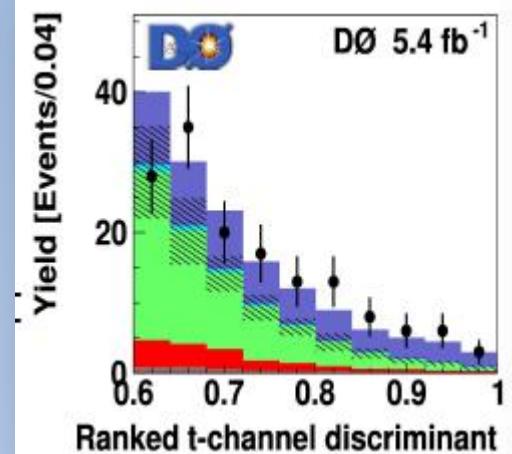
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t- and s-channel @ Tevatron

- Measure both channels simultaneously
- Separate trainings for t- and s-channel (only D0)



$$\sigma_s = 0.98 \pm 0.63 \text{ pb} \text{ (rel. unc.: } \pm 64\%)$$

$$\sigma_t = 2.90 \pm 0.59 \text{ pb} \text{ (rel. unc.: } \pm 20\%)$$

First observation of t-channel alone with 5.5 σ

$$\sigma_s = 1.81^{+0.63}_{-0.58} \text{ pb}$$

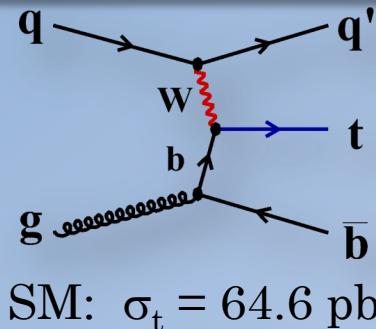
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$$\sigma_t = 1.49^{+0.47}_{-0.42} \text{ pb}$$

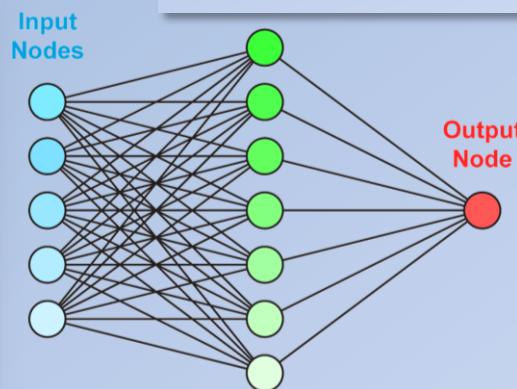
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t-channel @ LHC



$m(\ell vb)$
 $|\eta(j)|$
 $E_T(j)$
 $|\Delta\eta(b, W)|$
 $|\Delta\eta(j, b)|$
 $p_T(\ell)$
 H_T
 $m_T(W)$
 $\eta(\ell)$
 $m(b)$
 $E_{T\text{miss}}$
 $m(jb)$



- Uses 1.04 fb^{-1} of 2011 data set.
- Neural Network based discriminant.
- Statistical analysis:
 - Maximum likelihood fit using the full output distribution
 - Simultaneous determination of background rates

Observed cross section:

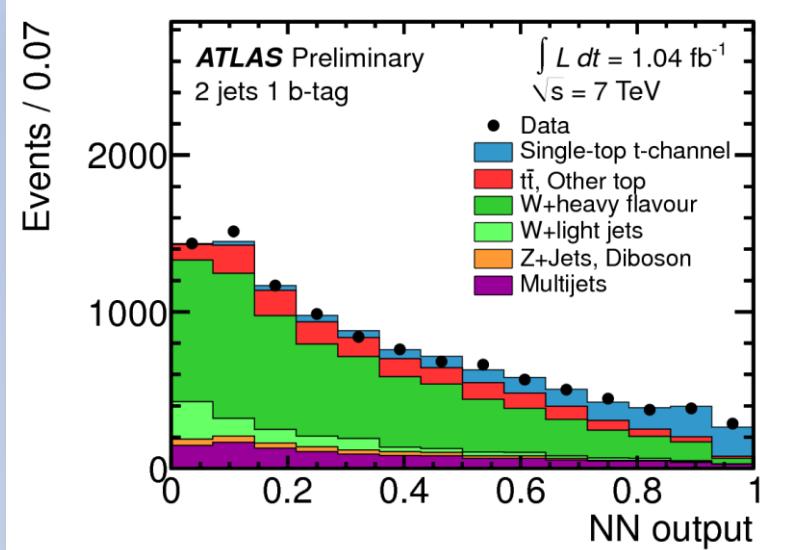
$$\sigma_t = 83 \pm 4 \text{ (stat.)} {}^{+20}_{-19} \text{ (syst.) pb}$$

relative unc.: +24% / -23%

From cut based analyses:

$$\sigma(t) = 59 \pm 6 \text{ (stat.)} {}^{+17}_{-16} \text{ (syst.) pb}$$

$$\sigma(\bar{t}) = 33 \pm 5 \text{ (stat.)} {}^{+12}_{-11} \text{ (syst.) pb}$$

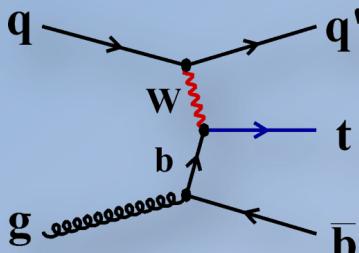


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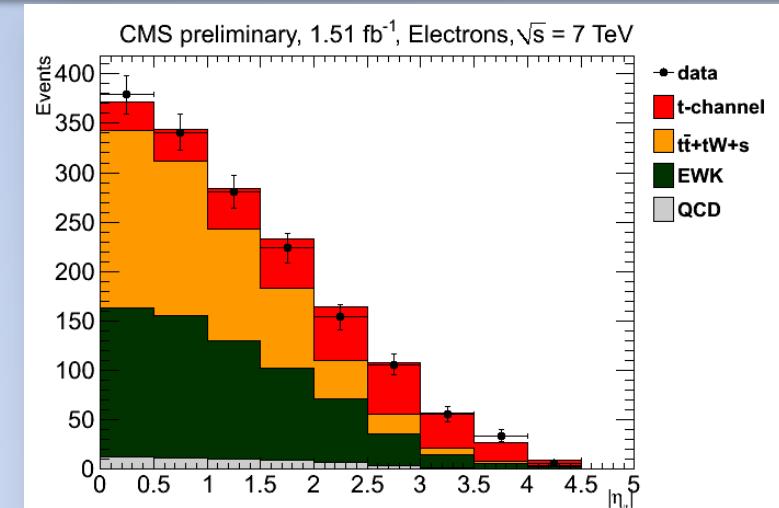
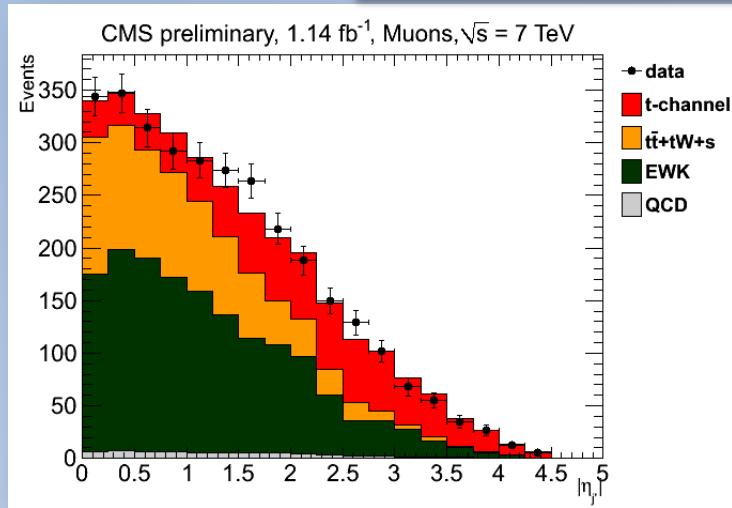
- ISR / FSR modeling $\pm 14\%$
- b-tagging efficiency $\pm 13\%$

Observed significance 7.2σ

t-channel @ LHC



- Uses 1.14 fb^{-1} (muons), 1.51 fb^{-1} (electrons) of 2011 data
- Cut on reconstructed top-quark mass:
 $130 < m(\text{lvb}) < 220 \text{ GeV}$
- Single discriminate variable $|\eta|$ light jet
- Main background (W+jets) determined in side band
- Statistical analysis:
 - Maximum likelihood fit to $|\eta|$ light jet



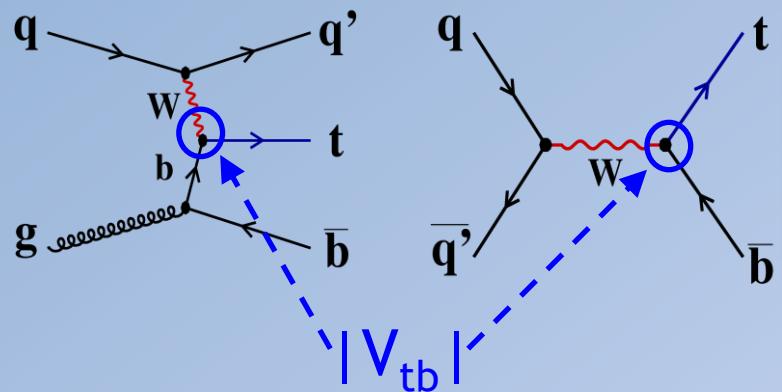
Main systematics from:

- Jet energy scale $+9.2\% / -6.2\%$
- W+heavy flavour extr. $\pm 7.1\%$
- Q^2 - tchannel $\pm 7.0\%$

Observed cross section:

$$\sigma_t = 70.2 \pm 5.2 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 10.4 \text{ (syst.)} \\ \pm 3.4 \text{ (lumi.) pb} \\ \text{relative unc.: } \pm 17\%$$

Vtb measurements



- Using cross section result measure $|V_{tb}|$
- Assume Standard Model (V-A) coupling and $|V_{tb}| \gg |V_{ts}|, |V_{td}|$
(Consistent with $\text{BR}(t \rightarrow Wb)$ measurements)

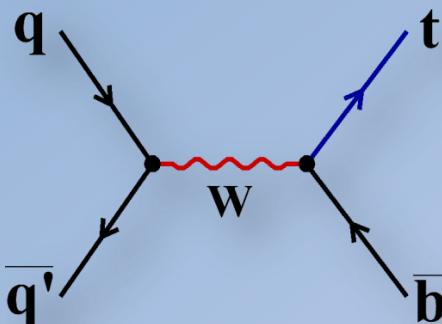
$$|V_{tb,meas}|^2 = \frac{\sigma_{meas}}{\sigma_{SM}} \cdot |V_{tb,SM}|^2$$

| Experiment | Channel | $ V_{tb} $ | rel. exp. precision |
|---|-------------|--|---------------------|
| CDF & DØ discovery (3.2 fb^{-1} & 2.3 fb^{-1}) | s+t channel | $0.88 \pm 0.07 \text{ (exp.)} \pm 0.07 \text{ (theo.)}$ | 8.0% |
| CDF (7.5 fb^{-1}) | s+t+Wt | $0.96^{+0.09}_{-0.09} \text{ (exp.)} \pm 0.05 \text{ (theo.)}$ | 9.4% |
| DØ (5.4 fb^{-1}) | t-channel | $1.02^{+0.10}_{-0.11} \text{ (exp. + theo.)}$ | +8.7% / -9.9% |
| CMS (1.14 fb^{-1} / 1.51 fb^{-1}) | t-channel | $1.04 \pm 0.09 \text{ (exp.)} \pm 0.02 \text{ (theo.)}$ | 8.7% |
| ATLAS (1.04 fb^{-1}) | t-channel | $1.13^{+0.14}_{-0.13} \text{ (exp. + theo.)}$ | 11.9% |

Combination of CMS & ATLAS results are in progress.



s-channel – analysis



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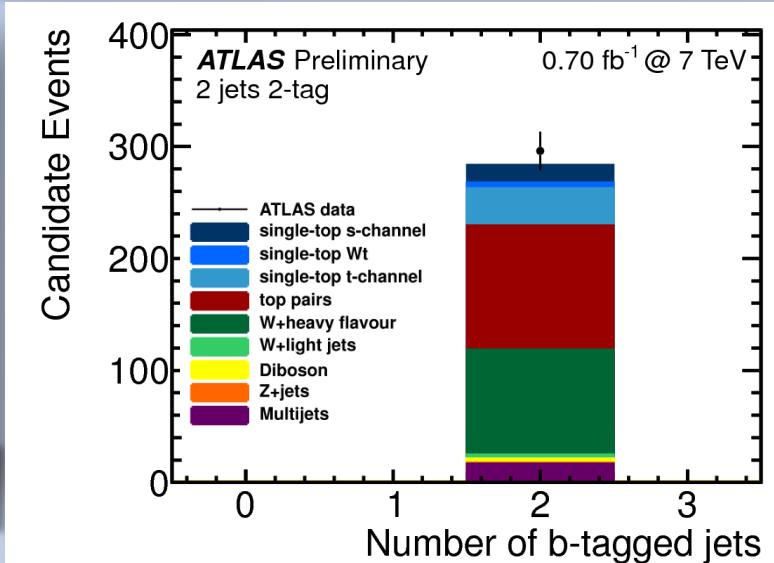
- Smallest cross section of single top processes
- First analysis @ ATLAS with 0.7 pb^{-1}
- Cut based analyses
- Rate of main background ($W+jets$) estimated in data
- Statistical analysis: Profile likelihood

| Selection | Signal | Background | S/\sqrt{B} |
|--|--------|------------|--------------|
| Preselection Only | 104 | 153802 | 0.26 |
| Number of tagged jets=2 | 18 | 415 | 0.88 |
| $30 < m_{top,jet2} < 247 \text{ GeV}/c^2$ | 17 | 349 | 0.91 |
| $p_T(jet1, jet2) < 189 \text{ GeV}/c$ | 17 | 346 | 0.91 |
| $m_T(W) < 111 \text{ GeV}/c$ | 17 | 318 | 0.95 |
| $0.43 < \Delta R(b - jet1, lepton) < 3.6$ | 17 | 308 | 0.97 |
| $123 < m_{top,jet1} < 788 \text{ GeV}/c^2$ | 17 | 302 | 0.98 |
| $0.74 < \Delta R(b - jet1, b - jet2) < 4.68$ | 16 | 269 | 0.98 |

Cuts are optimized including systematics

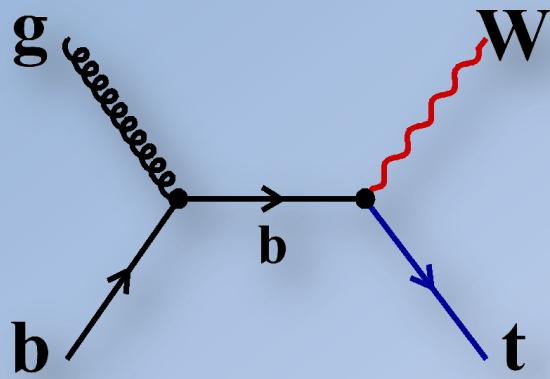
Main systematics from (effect on xs unc.):

- MC Statistics $\pm 70\%$
- MC generator modeling $+20\%/-60\%$
- Luminosity $\pm 50\%$



Observed limit @ 95% C.L.
 $\sigma_{\text{s-channel}} < 26.5 \text{ pb}$
SM: $\sigma_s = 4.6 \text{ pb}$

Wt channel



Two channels according to W decay modes:

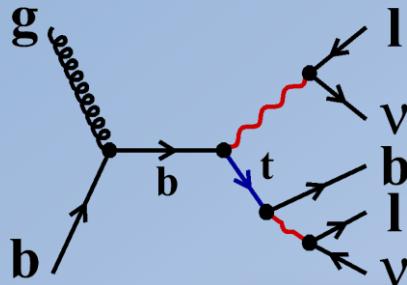
- **Dilepton channel**
both Ws: $W \rightarrow e\nu$ or $W \rightarrow \mu\nu$
 $\rightarrow 2$ charged leptons, E_T^{miss} , 1 b-jet
- **Lepton + jets channel**
 $W \rightarrow e\nu$ or $W \rightarrow \mu\nu$ + $W \rightarrow q\bar{q}$
 $\rightarrow 1$ charged lepton, E_T^{miss} ,
1 b-jet + 2 light quark jets



CONF note with 35 pb-1 (lepton+jets)
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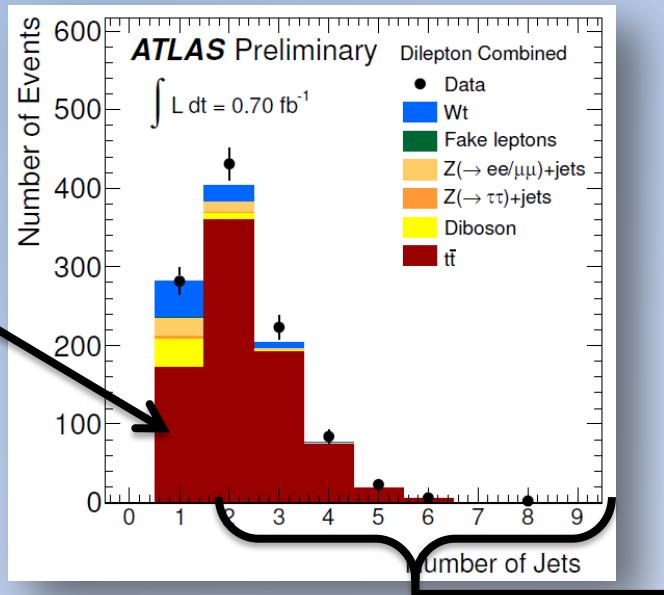


Wt dilepton analysis @ ATLAS

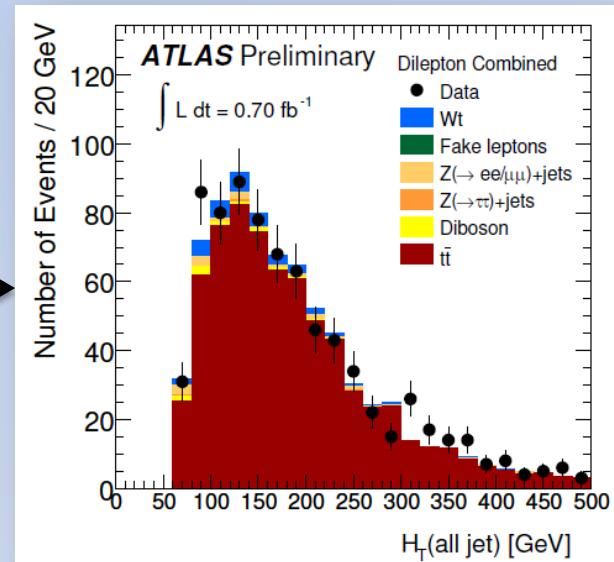


- Cut & count analysis
- Main background ($t\bar{t}$) estimated using scale factor from side band
- Statistical analysis: Profile likelihood

Signal sample



Top-antitop
background
region



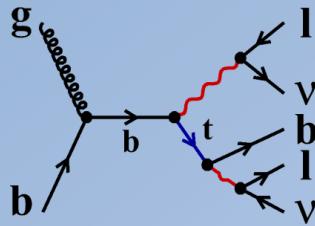
Main systematics from:

- Jet energy scale $\pm 35\%$
- Jet energy resolution $\pm 31\%$
- Jet reconstruction eff. $\pm 31\%$

Observed cross section (significance 1.2σ):
 $\sigma_{Wt} = 14.4^{+5.3}_{-5.1} \text{ (stat.)}^{+9.7}_{-9.4} \text{ pb}$

SM: $\sigma_t = 15.7 \text{ pb}$

Wt dilepton analysis @ CMS

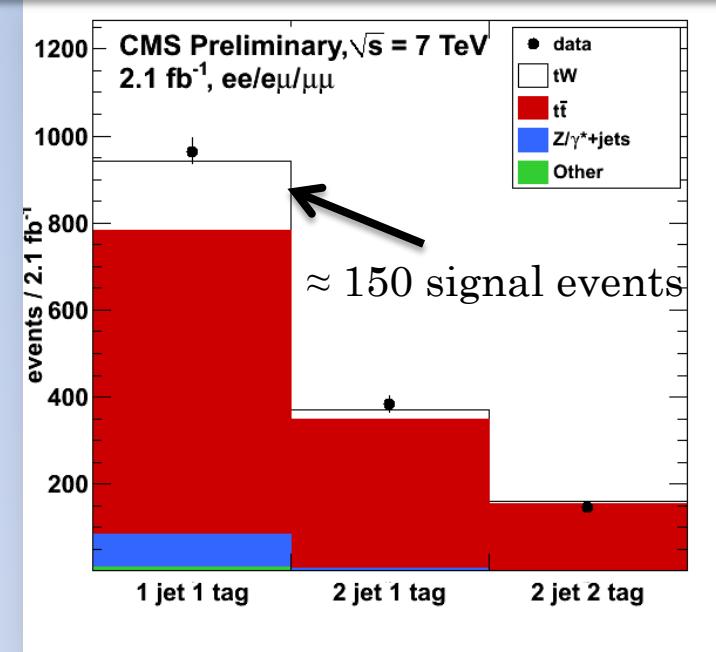
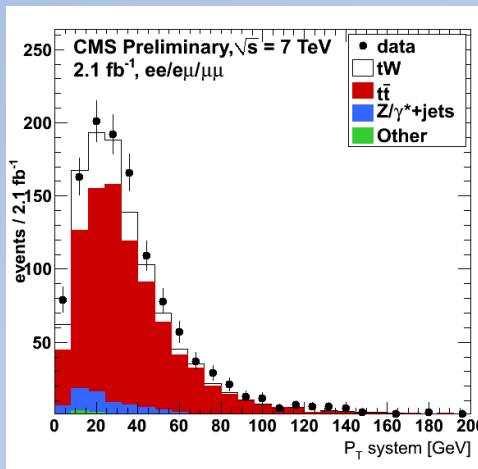


- Cut & count analysis
- Main background ($t\bar{t}$) fitted simultaneously, together with b-tagging efficiency
- Statistical analysis: Profile likelihood

Additional cuts:

P_T system < 60 GeV

$H_T > 160$ GeV (only $e\mu$ channel)



Main systematics from:

- B-tagging
- Factorization/Renormalization scale
- DR/DS schema

Observed cross section :

$$\sigma_{Wt} = 22^{+9}_{-7} \text{ (stat.+syst.) pb}$$

Significance 2.7σ

$$\text{SM: } \sigma_t = 15.7 \text{ pb}$$

New physics searches

- FCNC single top quark production
 - $\sigma_{\text{FCNC}} < 17.3 \text{ pb}$ @ 95% C.L.
 - $\text{BR}(t \rightarrow ug) < 5.7 \cdot 10^{-5}$, $\text{BR}(t \rightarrow cg) < 2.7 \cdot 10^{-4}$
submitted to PLB: arXiv:1203.0529
- W'
 - $m(W') > 863 \dots 916 \text{ GeV}$ *PLB 699, 145 (2011)*
 - $m(W'_R) > 1.13 \text{ TeV}$
- Charged Higgs
 - $m(H^+) = 180\text{--}185 \text{ GeV}$ and $\tan(\beta) = 20\text{--}70$
PRL 102, 191802 (2009)
- Monotop
 - $\sigma < 0.5 \text{ pb}$ @ 95% C.L.
for a dark-matter particle mass of $0\text{--}150 \text{ GeV}/c^2$
arXiv:1202.5653
- Anomalous couplings
 - One-dimensional limits assuming $|V_{tb} \cdot f_{L_V}| = 1$
 $|V_{tb} \cdot f_{L_T}|^2 < 0.11$ $|V_{tb} \cdot f_{R_V}|^2 < 0.50$ $|V_{tb} \cdot f_{R_T}|^2 < 0.05$
Phys.Lett. B708 (2012) 21-26

Previous analyses



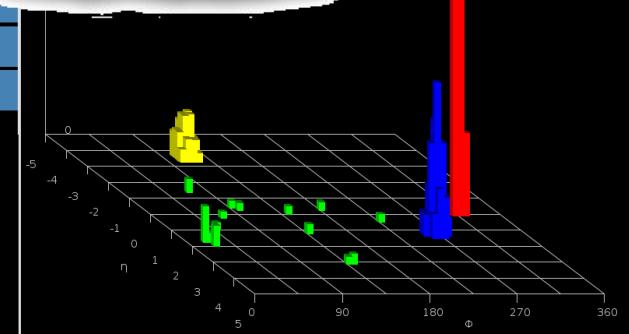
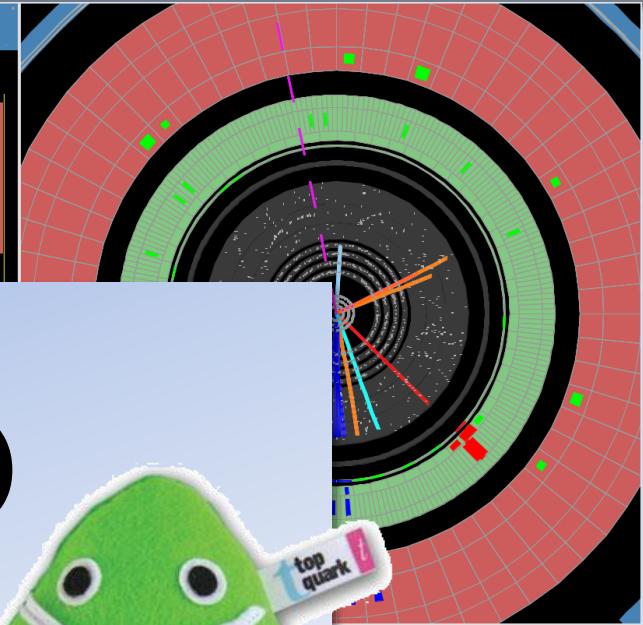
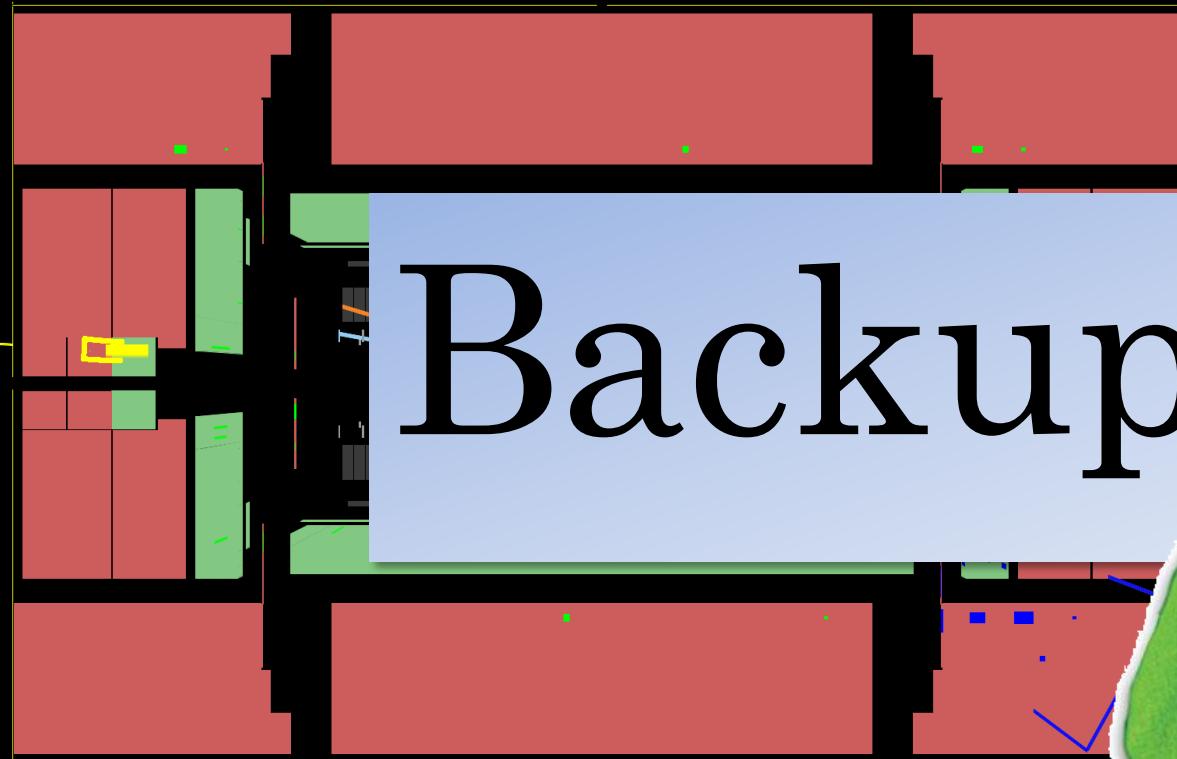
Summary / Conclusion

- Full suite of SM single top analyses performed
- All measurements are in agreement with the SM expectations
- Starting to enter the precision measurement regime
- Questions:
 - How to evaluate generator uncertainties?
 - 4-flavour vs. 5 flavor schema?
 - We would like to have an updated version of the 2D comparison made by Tait&Yuan 2000 of s-channel vs. t-channel including new physics models there.
 - Which precision measurements would you like to see to help nail down predictions for other /new physics.



EXPERIMENT

Backup



Monte carlo samples

| Process | CDF | D0 | ATLAS | CMS |
|-----------|-------------------|----------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------|
| t-channel | Powheg+ Pythia | Comphep+Pythia | AcerMC+Pythia Wt: MC@NLO | Powheg+Pythia |
| Wt | Powheg+ Pythia | | AcerMC+Pythia Wt: MC@NLO | Powheg+Pythia |
| s-channel | Powheg+ Pythia | Comphep+Pythia | AcerMC+Pythia Wt: MC@NLO | Powheg+Pythia |
| tt | Pythia | Alpgen+Pythia | MC@NLO + Herwig | Madgraph+Pythia |
| W+jets | Alpgen +Pythia | Alpgen+Pythia | Alpgen+Herwig | Madgraph+Pythia Data |
| Z+jets | Alpgen +Pythia | Alpgen+Pythia | Alpgen+Herwig | Madgraph+Pythia |
| WW,WZ,ZZ | Pythia | Pythia | Herwig | Pythia |