

Top quark production at CMS

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

Outline



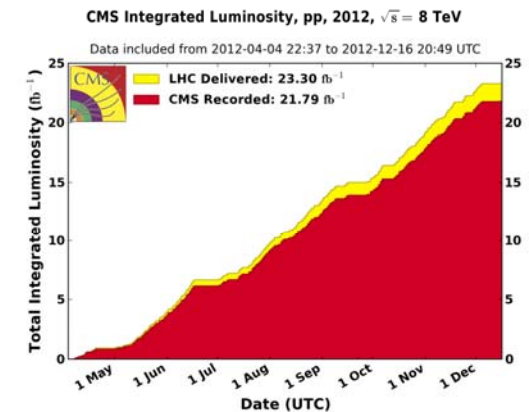
- **Single top production**
 - t-channel
 - tW-channel
 - $|V_{tb}|$ extraction
 - s-channel

- **Top quark pair production**
 - Lepton + jets channel
 - Dilepton channel
 - Channels with taus

- **Differential cross sections**

- **Associated production**
 - tt + W/Z
 - tt + jets
 - tt + bb

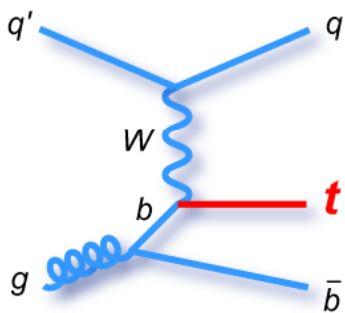
- **First α_s determination from tt cross section**



- Showing mainly 8TeV results
- Several 7TeV results in the appendix

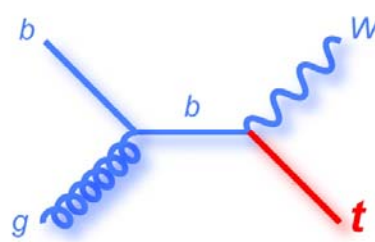
Single top production and decay

- EW single top quark production via charged current processes
- In each channel: cross section σ proportional to $|V_{tb}|^2$



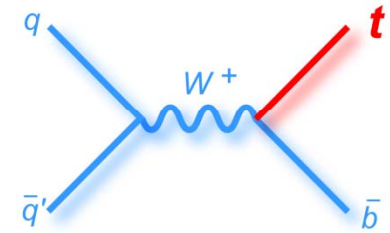
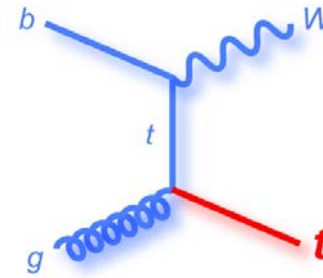
t-channel

Largest σ
Precision measurements



tW-channel

Observed



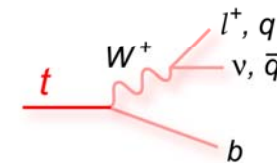
s-channel

Searches
Limits set

Approx. NNLO
N. Kidonakis
arXiv:1205.3453

	t-channel	tW-channel	s-channel
σ (pb) at 7 TeV	64.6 ± 2.1	15.6 ± 1.2	4.59 ± 0.19
σ (pb) at 8 TeV	87.1 ± 2.8	22.2 ± 1.5	5.55 ± 0.22

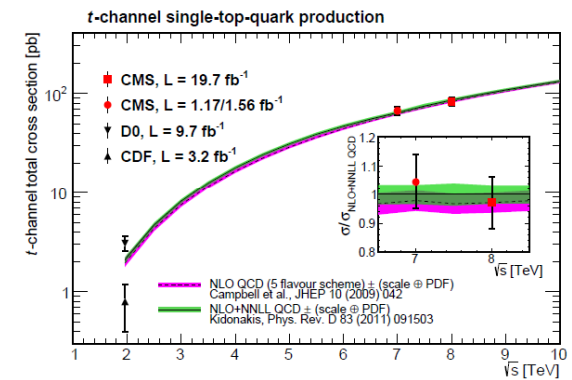
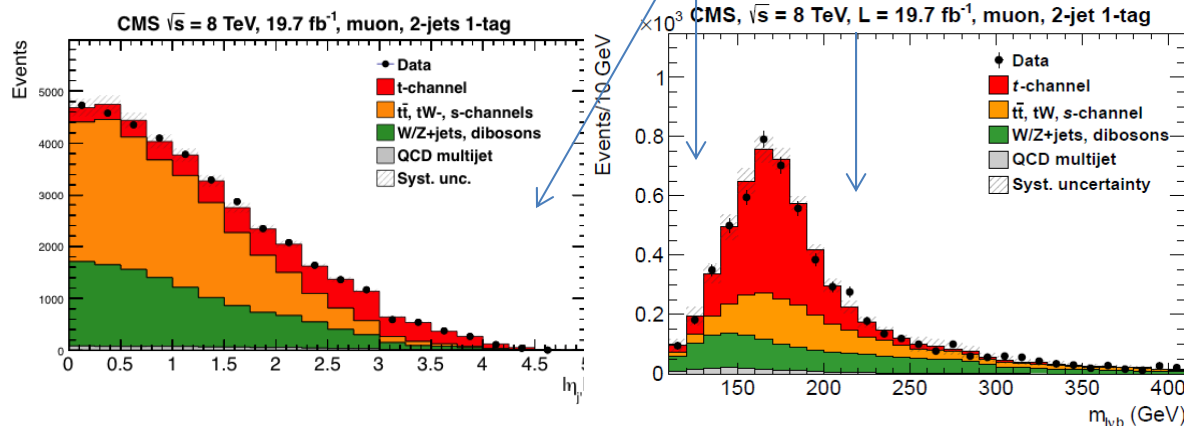
Top quark decays almost exclusively to Wb :



t-channel cross section at 8 TeV

CMS PAS TOP-12-038 19.7 fb⁻¹
 JHEP 06 (2014) 090

- Lepton + jets final state from leptonic top decay: $t \rightarrow Wb \rightarrow l\nu b$
- require 1e or 1 μ , 2jets-1tag, in top mass window ($130 < m_{l\nu b} < 220$ GeV)
- Cross section extracted from fit to the pseudorapidity η of the light jet
- Background shapes for W+jets and $t\bar{t}$ estimated from control regions in data (side band in $m_{l\nu b}$ and 3jets-2tag)



- $\sigma_{t\text{-channel}} = 83.6 \pm 2.3$ (stat.) ± 7.4 (syst.) pb (incl.)
- $R_{8/7} = 1.24 \pm 0.08$ (stat.) ± 0.12 (syst.)

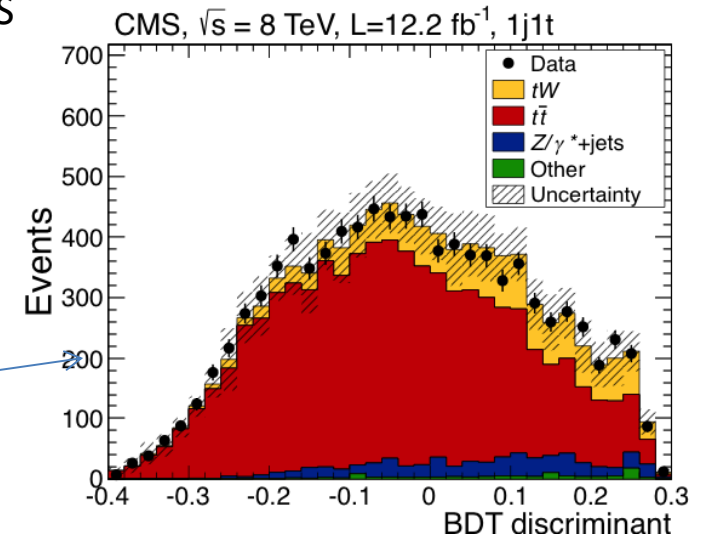
$$\sigma_{t\text{-ch.}}(t) = 53.8 \pm 1.5$$
 (stat) ± 4.4 (syst) pb,
 $\sigma_{t\text{-ch.}}(\bar{t}) = 27.6 \pm 1.3$ (stat) ± 3.7 (syst) pb.

Total syst: 8.9%. Main systematics: Signal modeling (5.7%) JES,JER,MET (4.3% in total)

tW-channel at 8 TeV

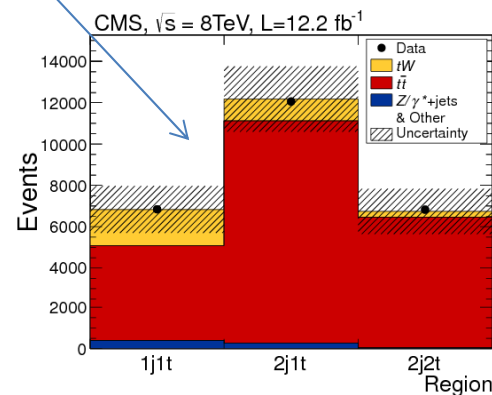
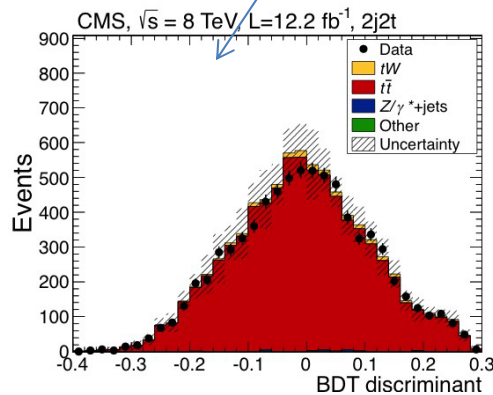


- tW associated production observed for the first time at CMS
- Evidence reported at 7 TeV by ATLAS and CMS
- Cleanest signature when both t and W decay leptonically:
- 2 opposite sign isolated leptons in the final state
- Main background processes: tt, and also Z → ll
- Multivariate discriminant to distinguish signal from tt
- Jet counting to define signal enriched region (2leptons, 1jet-1tag) and two control regions (2jets, 1 or 2 tags)
- Two cross-checks analyses: consistent results



Signal significance: **6.1σ**
(5.4±1.4σ expected)

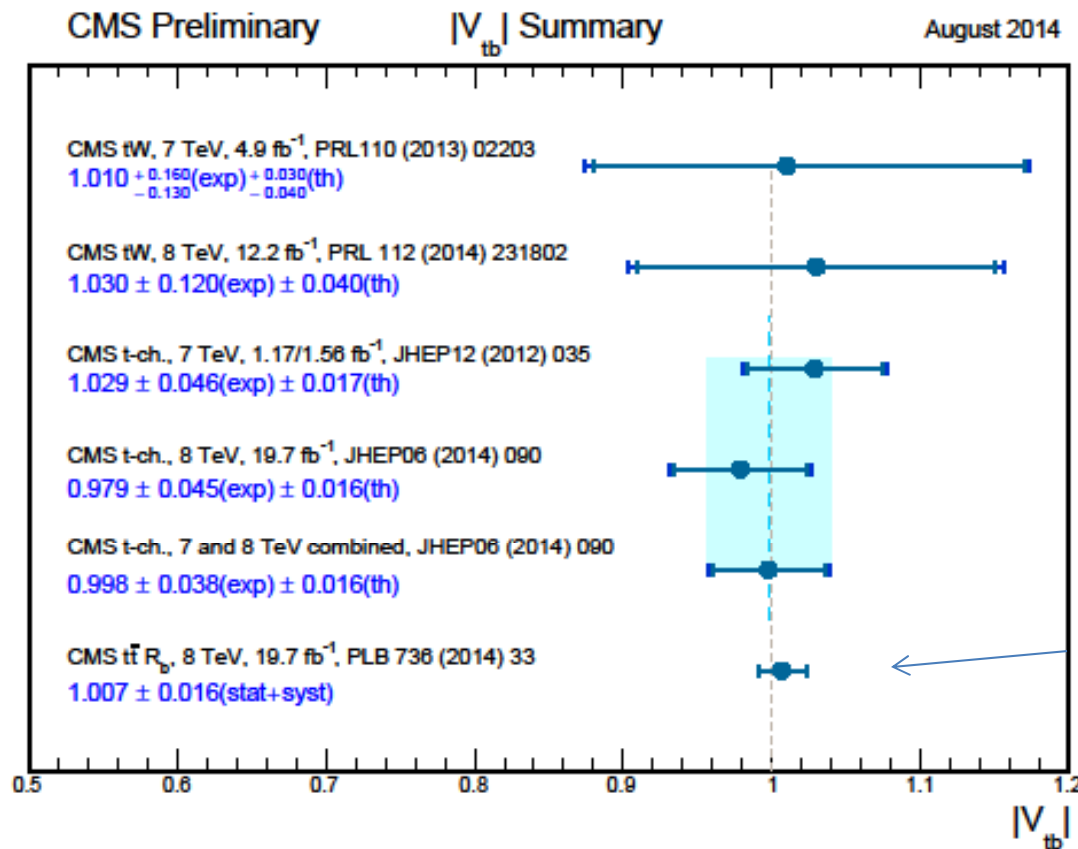
$$\sigma_{tW} = 23.4 \pm 5.4 \text{ pb}$$



$|V_{tb}|$ extraction



- Single top events provide the possibility to directly probe the Wtb vertex and measure $|V_{tb}|$
- Measurements both in the t-channel and in the tW -channel
- Method: assuming $|V_{td}|$ and $|V_{ts}| \ll |V_{tb}| \rightarrow |V_{tb}| = \sqrt{\sigma / \sigma_{th}}$
 σ_{th} : SM prediction calculated assuming $|V_{tb}| = 1$

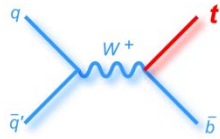


From $R = B(t \rightarrow Wb) / B(t \rightarrow Wq)$
In dilepton channel



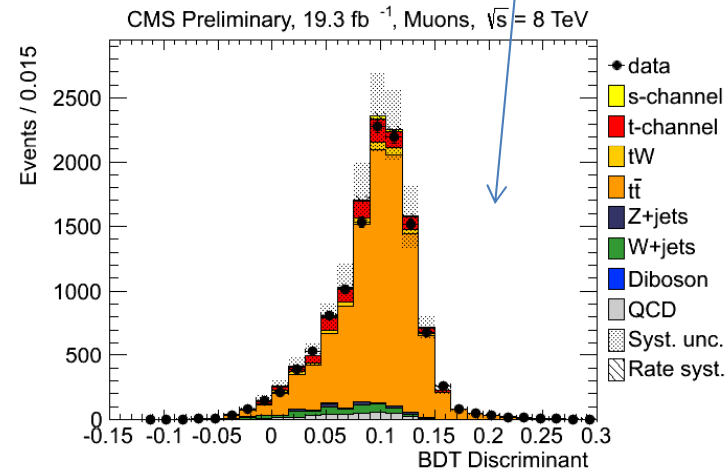
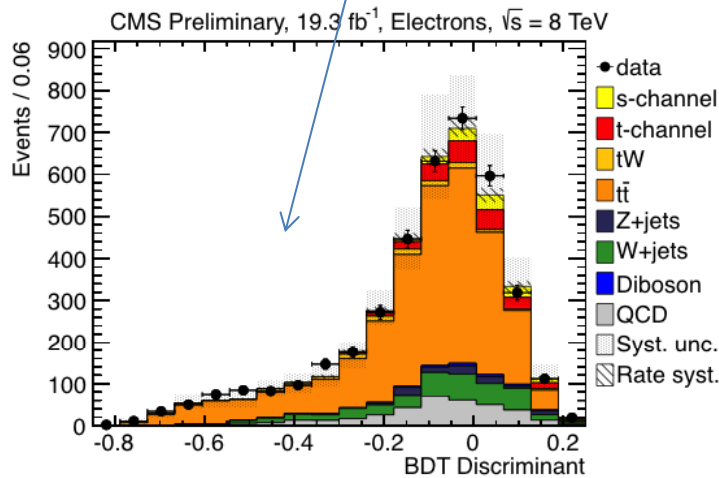
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s-channel search at 8 TeV

- The smallest cross section among 3 processes
- **1 top and 1 b-jet** in the final state: selection based on **leptonic t decay**
- **Lepton +jets** signature:
 - signal region: with 1 e or 1 mu, MET, 2-btag jets (2jets-2tags)
 - Control region to separate tt: require 1 additional jet (3jets-2tags)
- **Overwhelming background** from tt, multijets, W+jets and t-channel



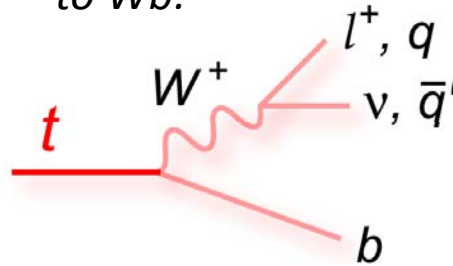
$\sigma_{s\text{-ch.}} = 6.2 \pm 5.4(\text{exp.}) \pm 5.9(\text{th.}) \text{ pb}$ combined
 68% CL intervals (Feldman-Cousins): $\sigma_{s\text{-ch.}} = 6.2^{+8.0}_{-5.1} \text{ pb}$

Top quark pair production and decay channels

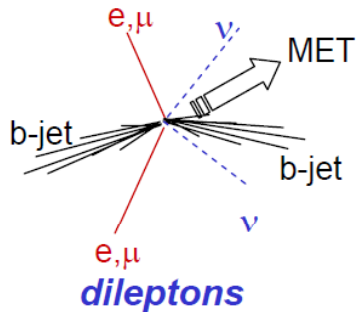
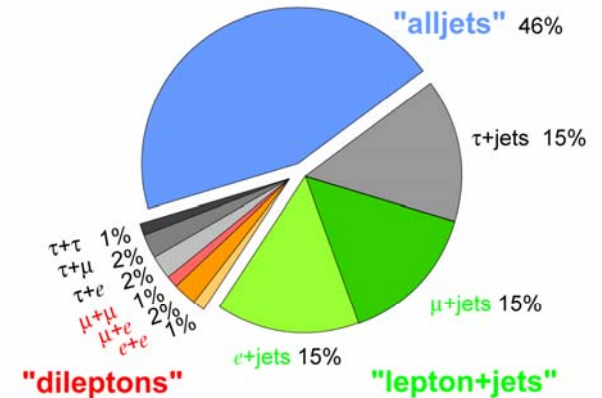
- Top quark pair production: predominately in top-antitop pairs ($t\bar{t}$) via strong interactions

$\text{NNLO } \sigma_{t\bar{t}}$ for $m_{\text{top}} = 173.3 \text{ GeV}$
 (LHC@7TeV) = 172 pb,
 (LHC@8TeV) = 245 pb

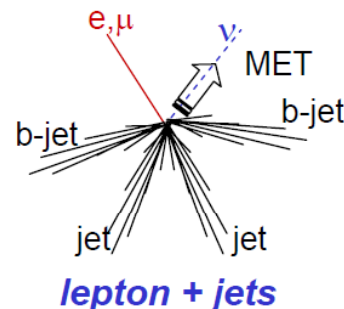
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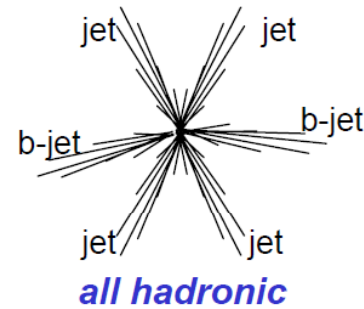
Top Pair Branching Fractions



BR: $\sim 5\%$
 Bkg: small
 Mainly: Z+jets
 dibosons

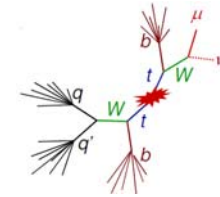


$\sim 30\%$ (e, μ)
 medium
 W+jets



$\sim 46\%$
 huge
 QCD multijets

Leptons + jets at 8 TeV

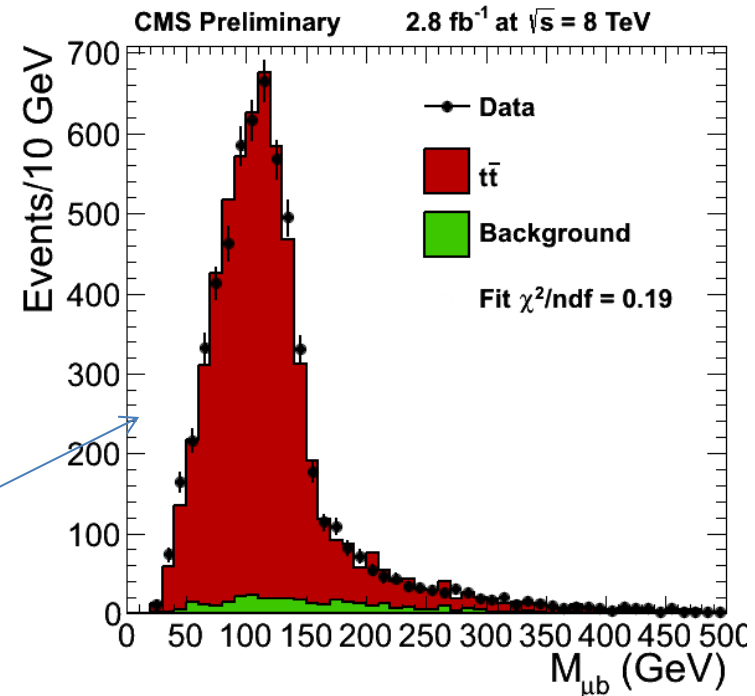


tt → lvqqbb

Common strategies:

- Trigger: isolated lepton
- Require 1 isolated lepton (e, μ)
- high p_T (~25-30 GeV)
- **veto** on additional leptons
- at least 4 jets
- at least 1 b-tagged jet

- Binned likelihood fit to M_{lb} distribution
- Related to the leptonic top quark mass
- Cross-check analysis: invariant mass of three-jet combination with highest p_T
- Data driven templates for QCD background: multijet shape and normalization from data



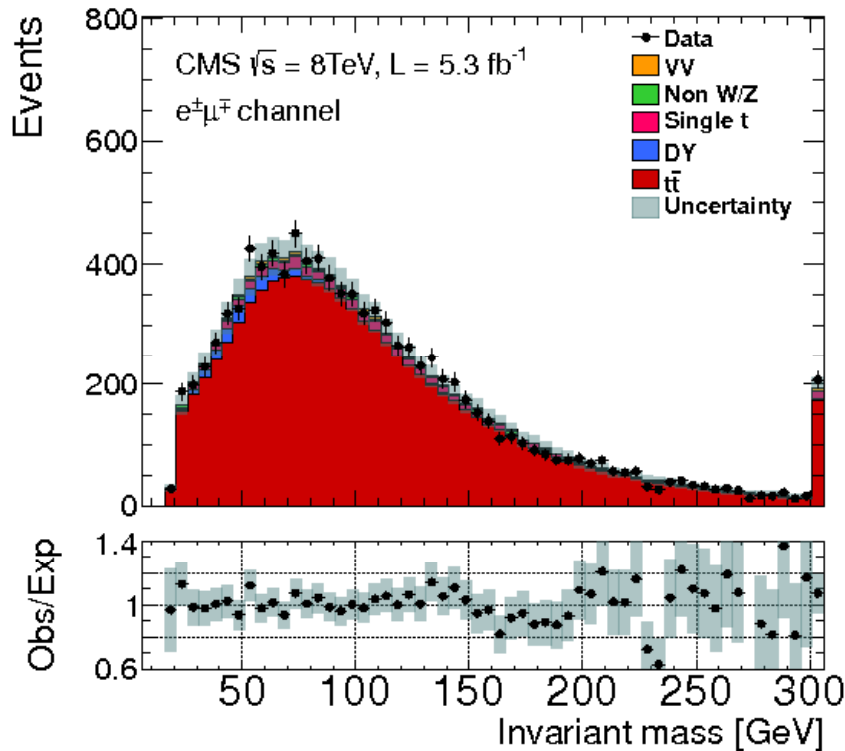
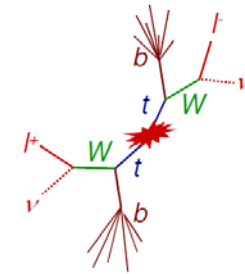
$$\sigma_{tt} = (228.4 \pm 9.0(\text{stat.}) + 29-26(\text{syst.}) \pm 10.0(\text{lumi.})) \text{ pb}, \quad \Delta\sigma_{tt} / \sigma_{tt} = 14.0\%$$

Main systematics: b-tagging efficiency 8%,
jet energy scale 5%

**Results with 19.6 fb⁻¹
expected soon**

Dileptons at 8 TeV

$tt \rightarrow l\bar{l}vbb$



Common strategies:

- 2 OS isolated leptons
- with high p_T
- veto Z mass region for ee and μμ
- at least 2 jets
- minimum E_T^{miss}

- Very low background
- Require 1 b-tagged jet
- Cut-based analysis
- DY events (inside the dilepton invariant mass window) estimated from sidebands

$\sigma_{tt} = (239 \pm 2 \text{ (stat.)} + 11 \text{ (syst.)} \pm 6 \text{ (lumi.)}) \text{ pb,}$

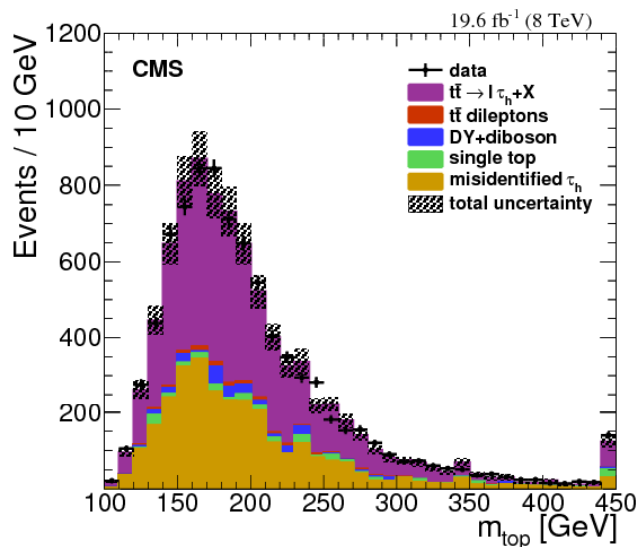
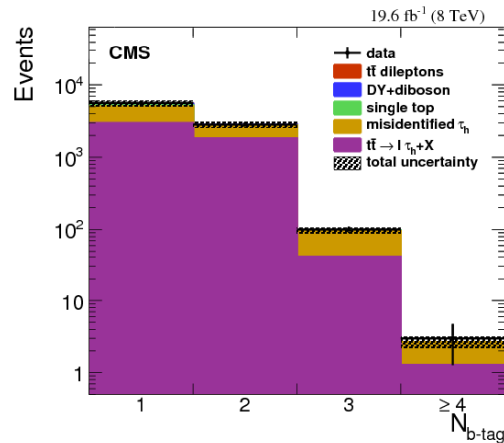
$\Delta\sigma_{tt} / \sigma_{tt} = 5.3\%$

Main systematics: lepton efficiencies 2%, jet energy scale 3%

Results with 19.6 fb⁻¹ expected soon

Dileptons ($\tau, e/\mu$) at 8 TeV

$tt \rightarrow \tau\nu l\nu bb$



- Hadronic tau decays
- Based on PF, uses tracker and ECAL info to reconstruct and identify 1- and 3-prong decays plus photons from π^0 decays
- Require 1 isolated electron or muon, at least 2 jets, at least one of which is b-tagged
- Largest background contribution estimated from data: tt with $W \rightarrow$ jets, with one jet misidentified as τ

$\sigma_{tt} = (257 \pm 3 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 24 \text{ (syst.)} \pm 7 \text{ lumi.}) \text{ pb,} \quad \Delta\sigma_{tt} / \sigma_{tt} = 9.8\%$
 Main systematics: τ identification 6%, τ energy scale 2.5%

Comparison with theory

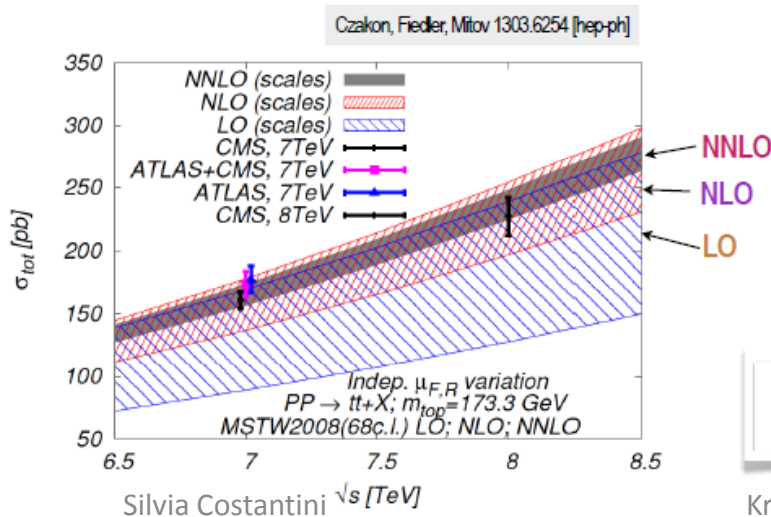


Approx. NNLO calculations, LHC @ 8 TeV

- Full NLO matrix element and approximate NNLO calculations for σ_{tot} by several groups
- **Exact NNLO calculations now available**
- scale uncertainty: $\sim 3\%$

Authors	($\sigma(\text{tt}) \pm \text{scale} \pm \text{PDF}$) pb
HATHOR, Moch et al. arXiv 1203.6282	202.1 +11.3-14.5 \pm 8.5 (ABM11 PDFs)
HATHOR, Moch et al. arXiv 1203.6282	249.9 +14.0-18.2 +6.2-6.3 (MSTW PDFs)
Cacciari et al. ,arXiv 1111.5869	228.6 +18.2-19.8 +5.6-5.9
Kidonakis, arXiv 1205.3453	234 +10-7 \pm 12
Ahrens et al., 1105.5824	224.7 +11.8-12.2 +10.8 -11.6
Czakon et al., 1303.6254	245.8 +6.2-8.4 \pm 6.2

For $m_t = 173.3 \text{ GeV}$



CMS at 8 TeV, $\Delta\sigma_{\text{tt}} / \sigma_{\text{tt}} = 6.6\%$:

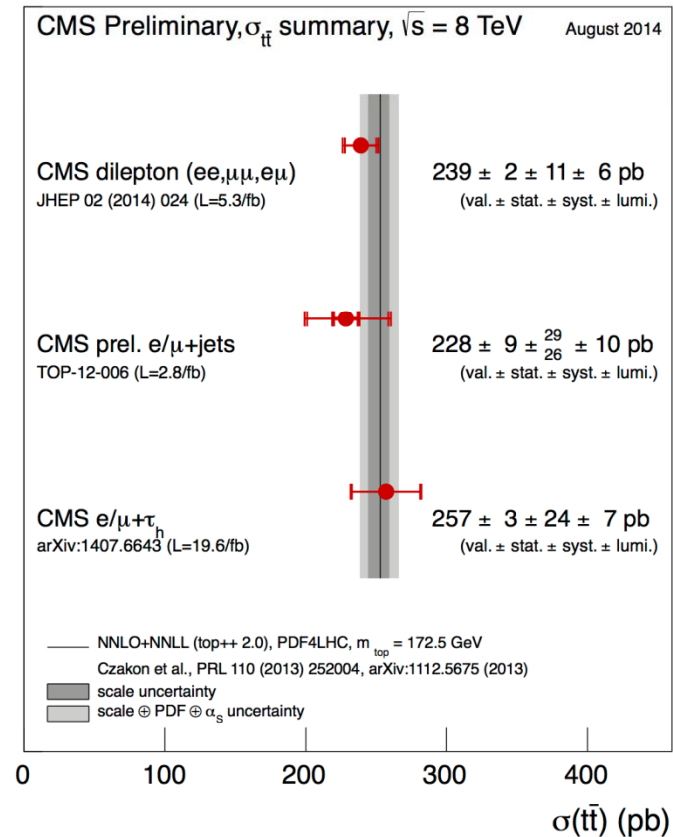
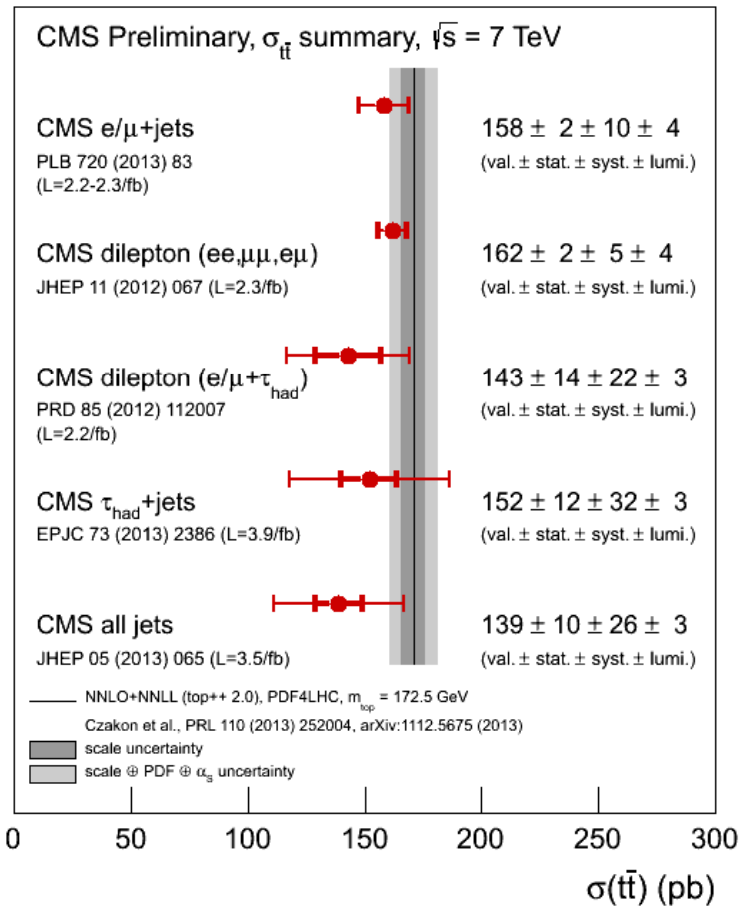
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Challenging theory predictions

Results at 7 and 8 TeV

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

- Combination with a BLUE method
- Lepton ID, b-tagging, background normalization treated as uncorrelated syst. uncertainties
- PU, BR, JES, JER, theory and luminosity treated as correlated



Key measurements to experimental and theoretical precision

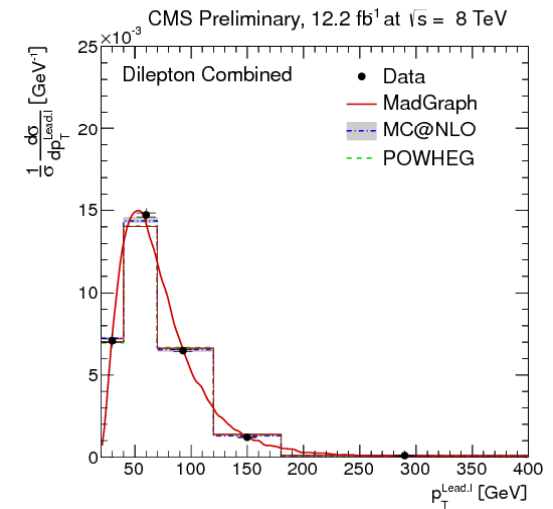
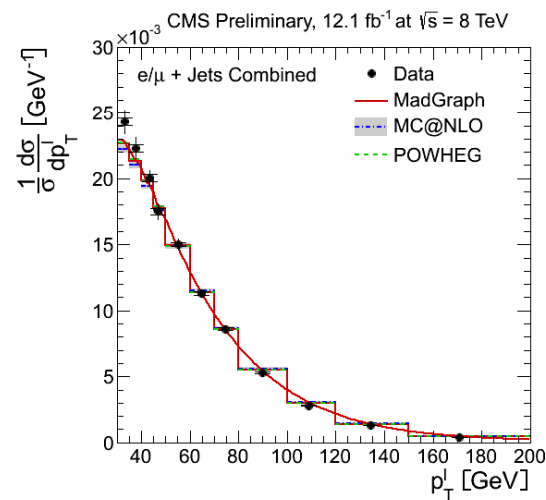
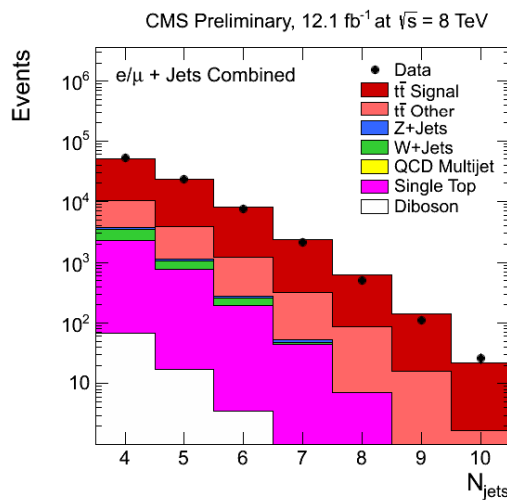
Access to higher orders

I+jets: CMS PAS TOP-12-027 12.1 fb⁻¹

- e/μ + jets
- At least 4 jets with p_T > 30 GeV, 1 lepton with p_T > 30 GeV
- 2 b-tagged jets

Dileptons: CMS PAS TOP-12-028 12.1 fb⁻¹

- ee, μμ, eμ
- Two opposite charge, isolated leptons with p_T > 20 GeV
- ee, μμ outside Z mass window (91 ± 15) GeV
- 1 b-tagged jet

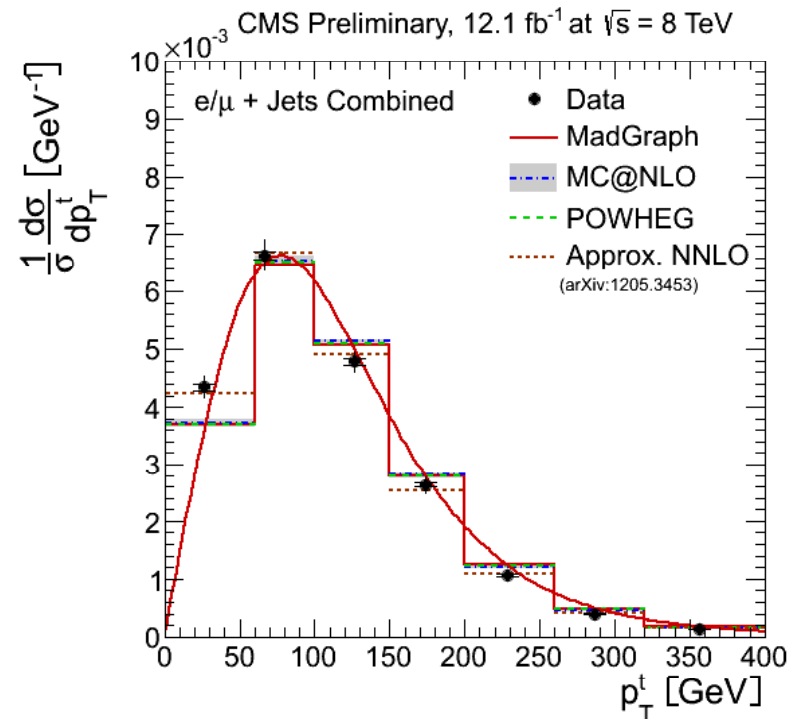
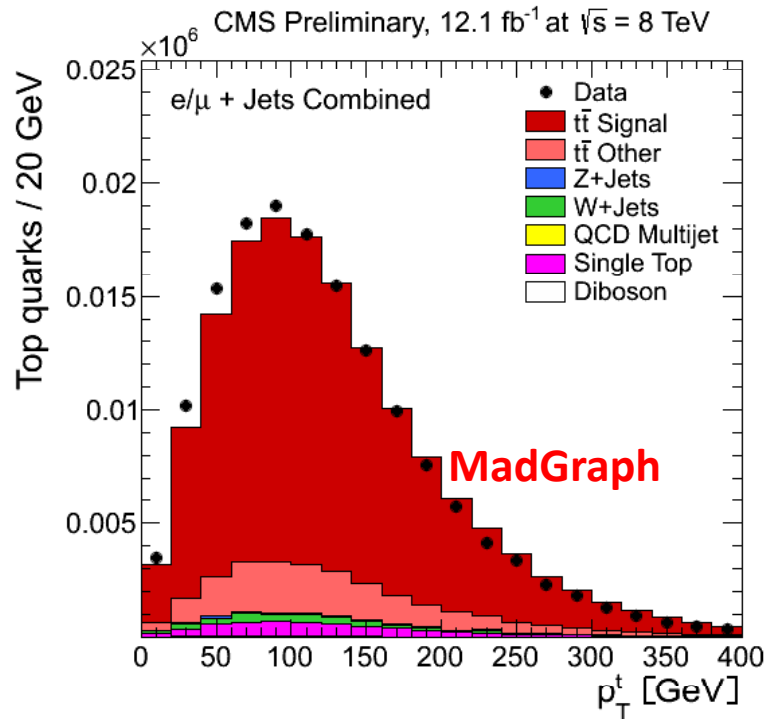


• **Good agreement with SM NLO predictions**

• More distributions available: top quark p_T, jet p_T, pseudo(rapidity), M_{lb}, ...

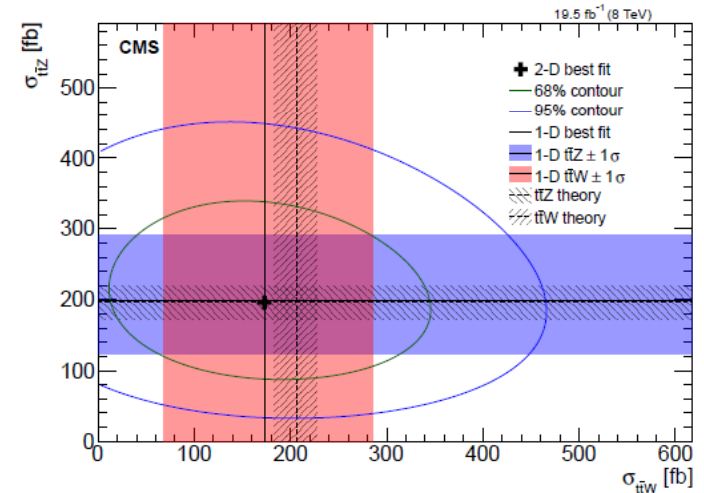
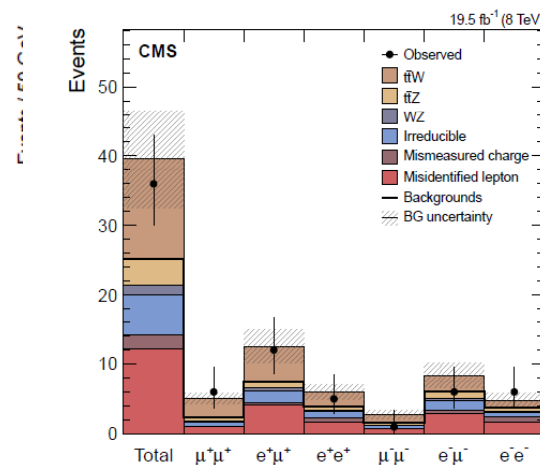
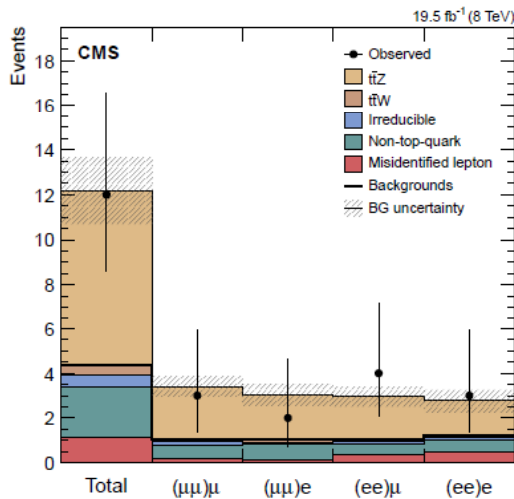
Differential cross sections

- **Top quark p_T** : discrepancies observed between NLO generators and data, as well as between NLO and approx. NNLO predictions.



Shape differences taken into account as systematic uncertainties in recent measurements

Associated production of Vector Bosons with top-antitop pairs at 8 TeV



Tri- lepton channel

$p_T > 20$ GeV

2 b-tagged jets

Exclusive search for ttZ

Only events with m_{ll} outside Z window

New channel with 4 leptons

Dilepton channel (SS), 2 $p_T > 40$ GeV

HT > 155 GeV

1b-tagged jet

Inclusive search for ttZ, ttW

Compatible with

SM predictions

Combining all channels: ttV signal significance of 3.7 σ

$\sigma_{ttW} = 170 + 90-80$ (stat.) ± 70 (syst.) pb

$\sigma_{ttZ} = 200 + 80-70$ (stat.) $\pm 40-30$ (syst.) pb

tt + jets

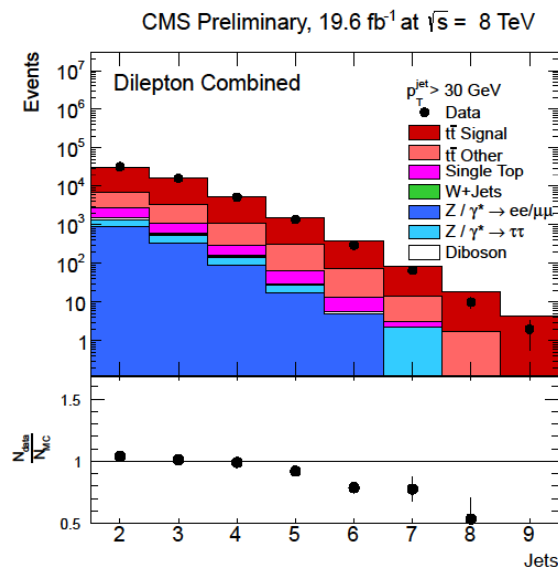


- Differential cross section measured as a function of the jet multiplicity for different jet p_T
- Measurement performed in the ee, eμ, μμ decay channels
- Require at least 2 isolated leptons, $p_T > 20$ GeV, with invariant mass outside Z window

At least 2 jets with $p_T > 30$ GeV

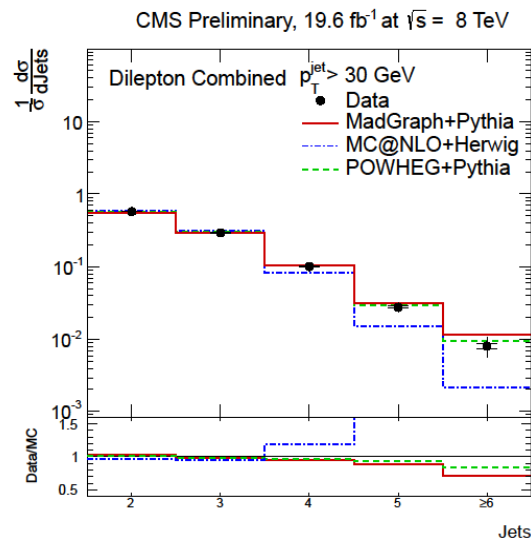
At least 1 b-tagged jet

Reasonable description of the data by NLO generators



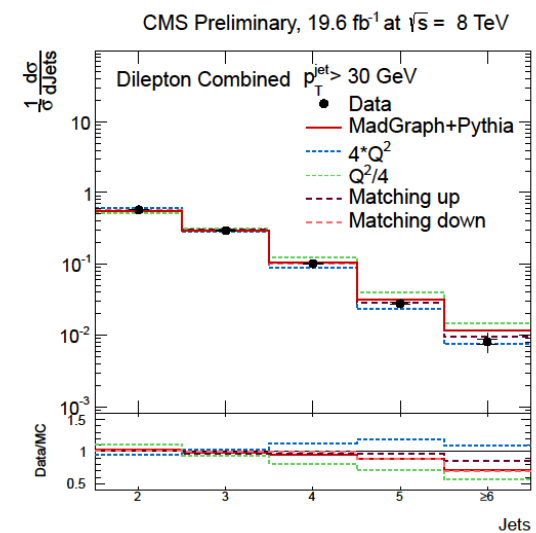
- Slightly higher jet multiplicity predicted by NLO simulation

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- Lower multiplicity by MC@NLO +Herwig

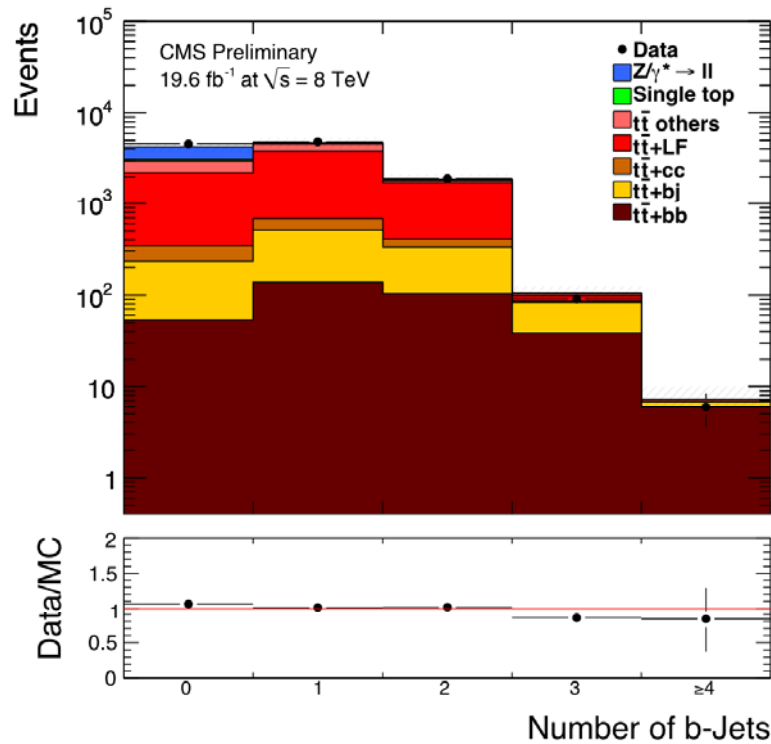
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- Slightly worse description by MadGraph with Q²/4

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tt + bb



- Study of heavy flavour content in tt events
- Comparison with NLO QCD calculations
- Searches for ttH

- Dilepton events
- ≥ 4 jets with $p_T > 20$ (40) GeV
- ≥ 2 b-tagged jets

- Measurement performed in the visible phase space

Experimental uncertainties cancel out in the cross section ratio

$$0.023 \pm 0.003 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 0.005 \text{ (syst.) at Jet } p_T > 20 \text{ GeV}$$

$$\sigma(t\bar{t}b\bar{b}) / \sigma(t\bar{t}j\bar{j}) =$$

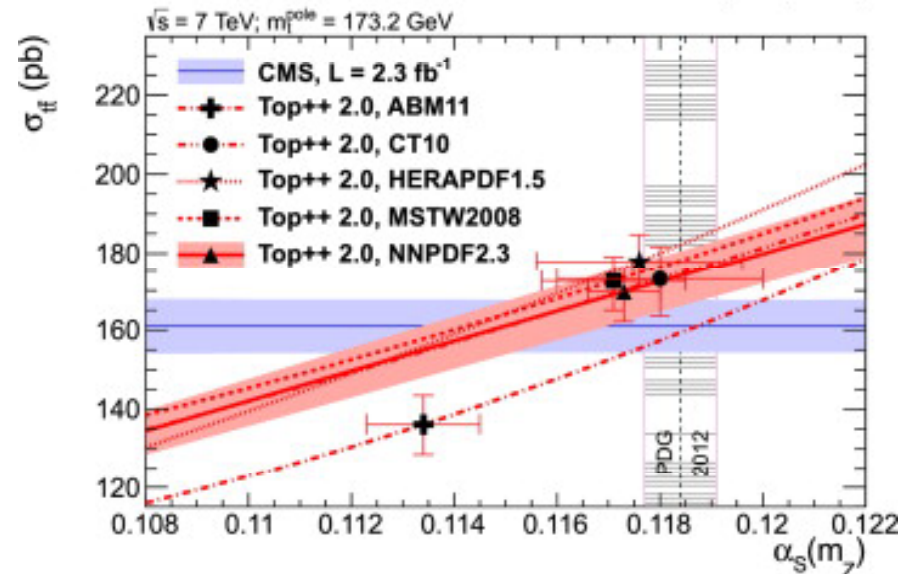
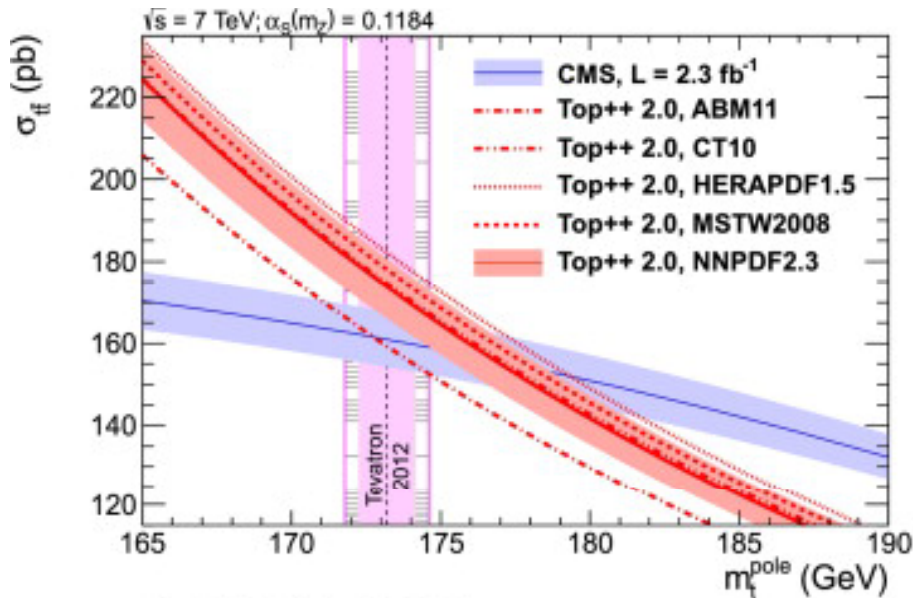
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First α_s determination from $t\bar{t}$ cross section

CMS PAS TOP-12-022 5 fb⁻¹
PLB 728 (2014) 496

- Approx. NNLO QCD + different PDFs used to extract α_s from the $t\bar{t}$ cross section at 7 TeV. First determination of α_s from t quark production
- With PDF set NNPDF2.3, a pole mass $m_t = (176.7 + 3.0 - 2.8)$ GeV is obtained when constraining α_s at the m_Z scale
- Alternatively, by constraining m_t to the latest average from direct mass measurements, a value of $\alpha_s(m_Z) = 0.1151 + 0.0028 - 0.0027$ is extracted.

Most precise determination at hadron colliders



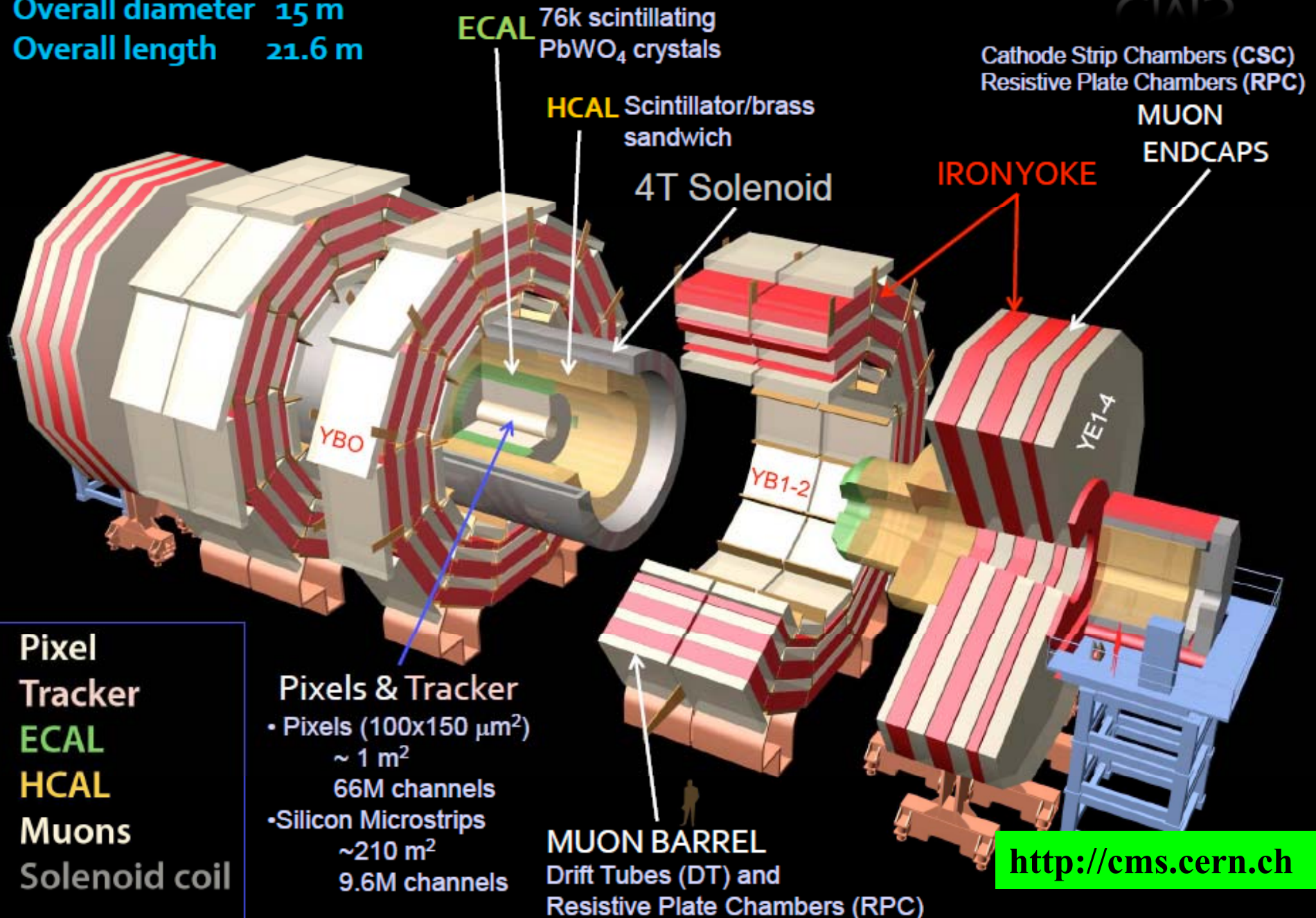
Summary

- Measurements of (almost) all experimental signatures at 7 TeV and 8 TeV
- Precision measurements in single top t-channel
- Experimental uncertainties on σ_{tt} : $\sim 4\%-7\%$
- Challenging theory predictions
- CMS top quark results at:

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

Additional slides

Total weight 12500 t
Overall diameter 15 m
Overall length 21.6 m



Pixel Tracker
 ECAL
 HCAL
 Muons
 Solenoid coil

Pixels & Tracker
 • Pixels (100x150 μm²)
 ~ 1 m²
 66M channels
 • Silicon Microstrips
 ~210 m²
 9.6M channels

MUON BARREL
 Drift Tubes (DT) and
 Resistive Plate Chambers (RPC)

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LHC and CMS operation



2012: **23.30 fb⁻¹** delivered by LHC and **21.79 fb⁻¹** recorded by CMS

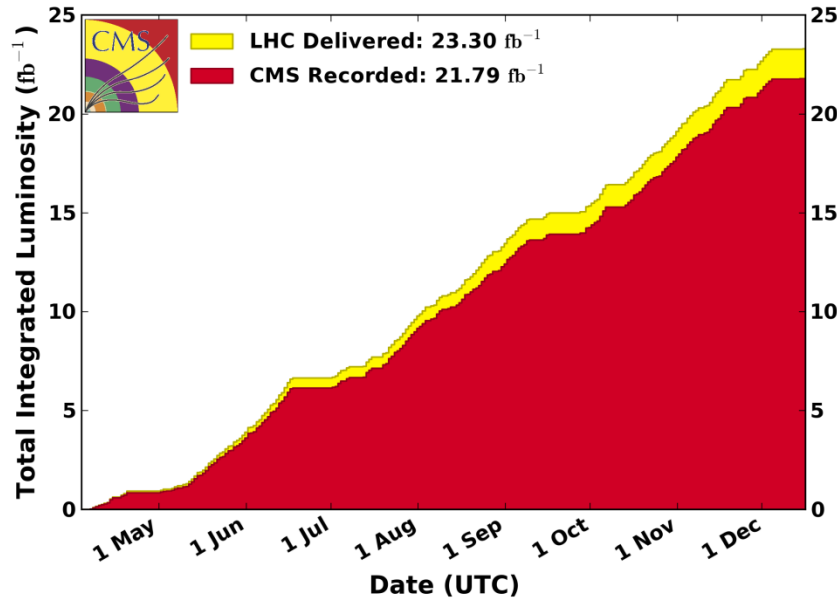
2011: **5.72 fb⁻¹** delivered by LHC and **5.20 fb⁻¹** at 7 TeV

2010 at 7 TeV : ~36 pb⁻¹

Uncertainty on integrated luminosity:
2.2% at 7 TeV / 2.6% at 8 TeV

CMS Integrated Luminosity, pp, 2012, $\sqrt{s} = 8$ TeV

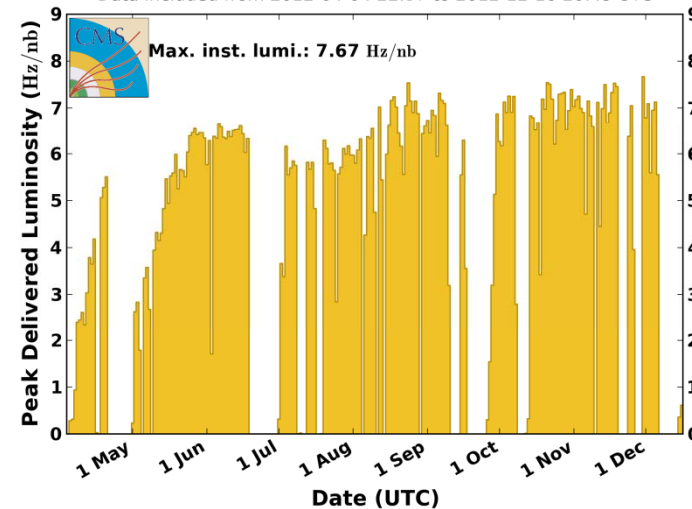
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Instantaneous luminosity above $7 \cdot 10^{33} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$

CMS Peak Luminosity Per Day, pp, 2012, $\sqrt{s} = 8$ TeV

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Overall data taking efficiency **~94%**.

Average fraction of operational channels per subsystem **>98%**

Successfully coping with PileUp at the trigger, DAQ, computing and reconstruction level

Common selection requirements

Trigger

- Single/double (isolated) leptons
- and/or based on hadronic activity

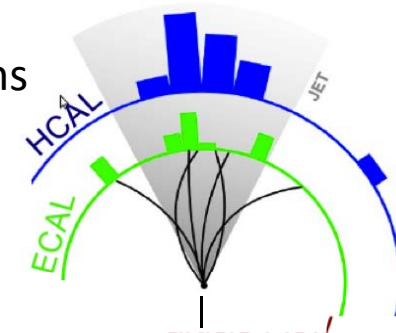
“Particle Flow” reconstruction and identification combining information from all subdetectors:

Jets

- Anti- k_T algorithm with $R=0.5$
- $p_T > 30-45$ GeV $|\eta| < 2.5$
- b-tagging

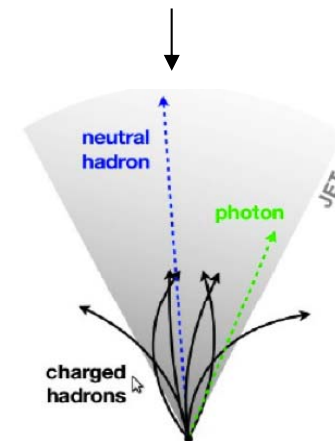
- charged hadrons
- photons
- neutral hadrons
- muons
- electrons

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Leptons (e, μ, τ) with $p_T > 20-30$ GeV

- Isolation in tracker and calorimeters
- Reconstruction and ID quality cuts



Missing transverse energy (E_T^{miss})

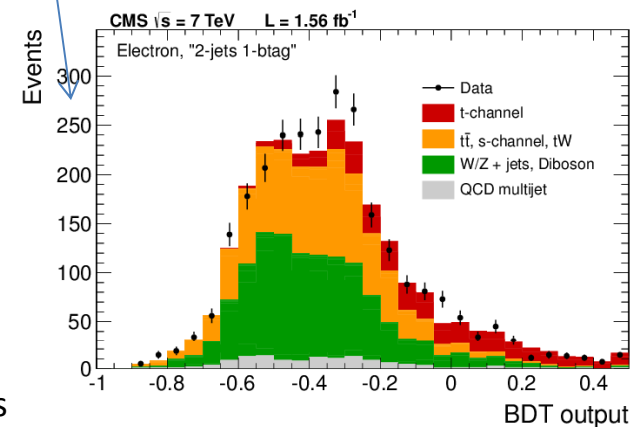
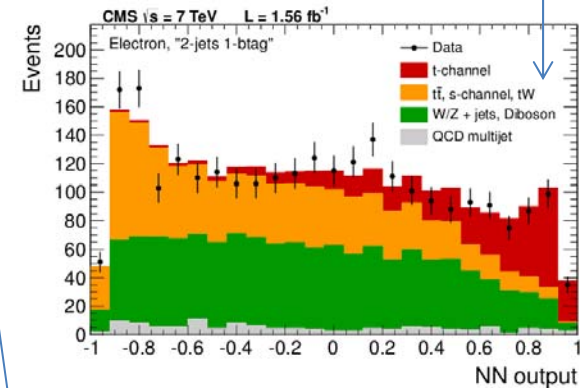
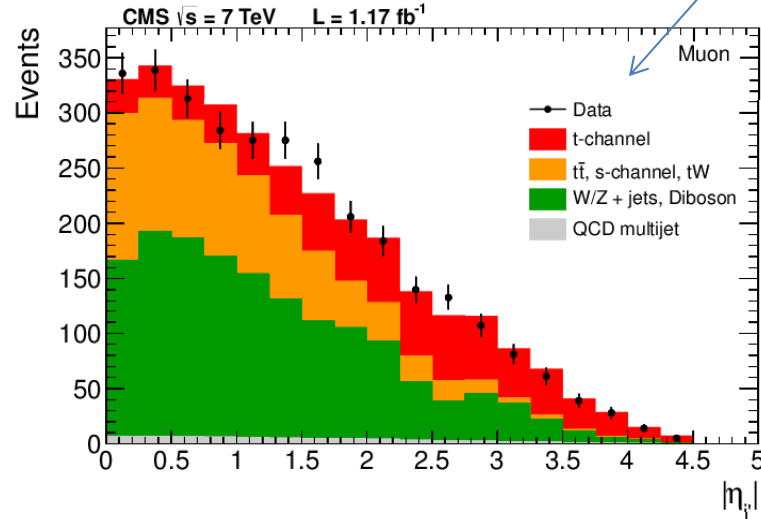
- In some analyses, $> 20-60$ GeV

t-channel cross section at 7 TeV

CMS PAS TOP-11-021 1.17 fb⁻¹ (mu) and 1.17 fb⁻¹ (ele)

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- Lepton + jets final state from leptonic top decay: $t \rightarrow Wb \rightarrow l\nu b$
- Three analyses giving consistent results: fit to the pseudorapidity η of the light jet (as for 8 TeV) plus two multivariate analyses using a Boosted Decision Tree (BDT) or a Neutral Network (NN) discriminant



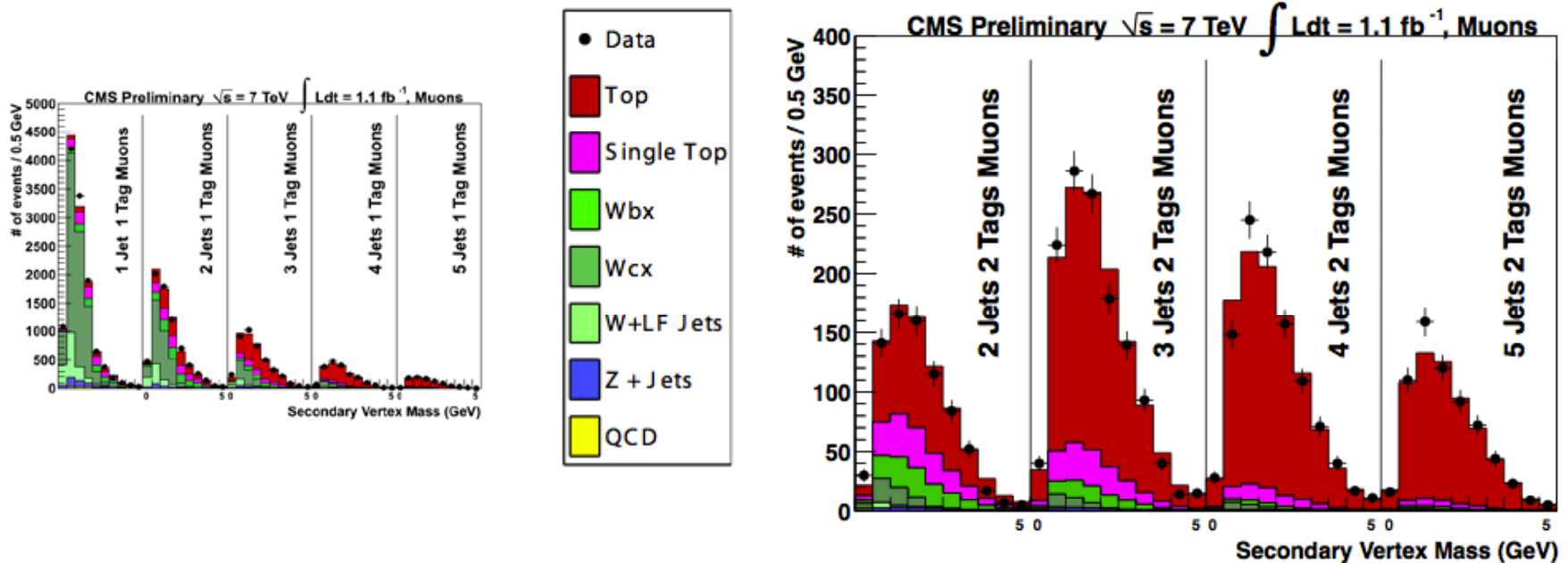
Combined result:

$$\sigma_{t\text{-ch}} = 67.2 \pm 6.1 \text{ pb}$$

Total systematic uncertainties in the range 8%-10% for the 3 analyses

Leptons + jets at 7 TeV

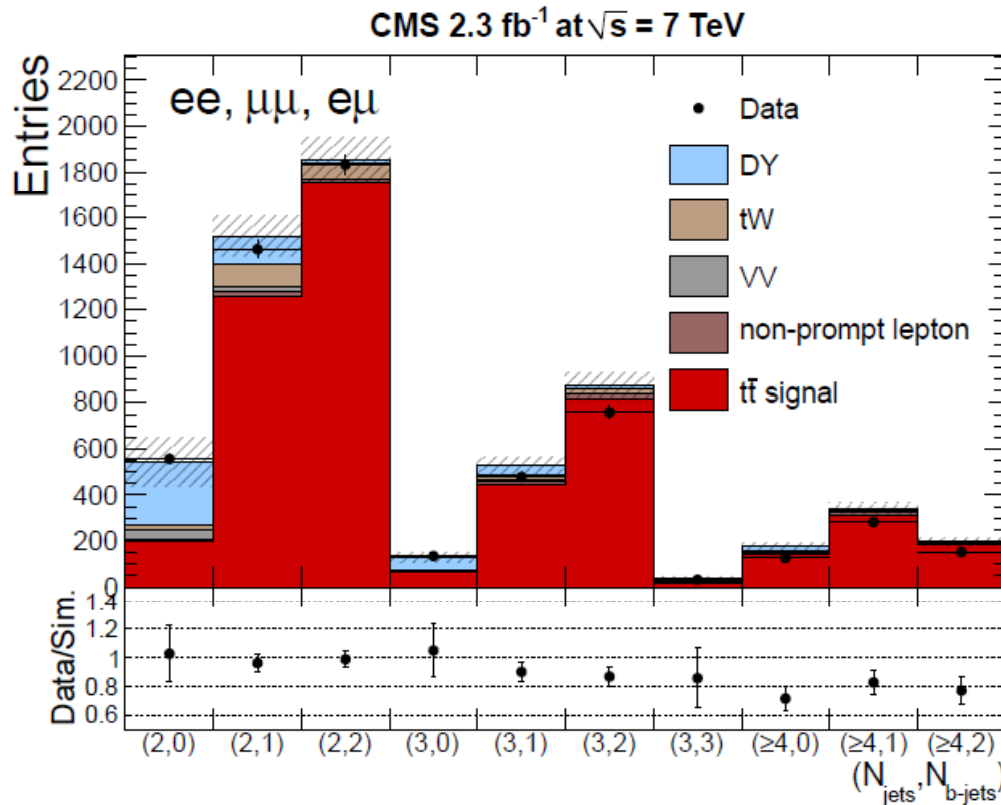
- Multijet shape from MC, normalization from data
- Profile Likelihood fit to Secondary vertex mass in N(jets), N(b-tagged jets) plane
- Some systematic uncertainties treated as nuisance parameters (Q², b-tag eff.)



$$\sigma_{tt} = (158.1 \pm 2.1 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 10.2 \text{ (syst.)} \pm 3.5 \text{ (lumi.)}) \text{ pb}, \quad \Delta\sigma_{tt} / \sigma_{tt} = 6.9\%$$

Main systematics: lepton efficiencies 3%, jet energy scale 2.4%

Dileptons at 7 TeV



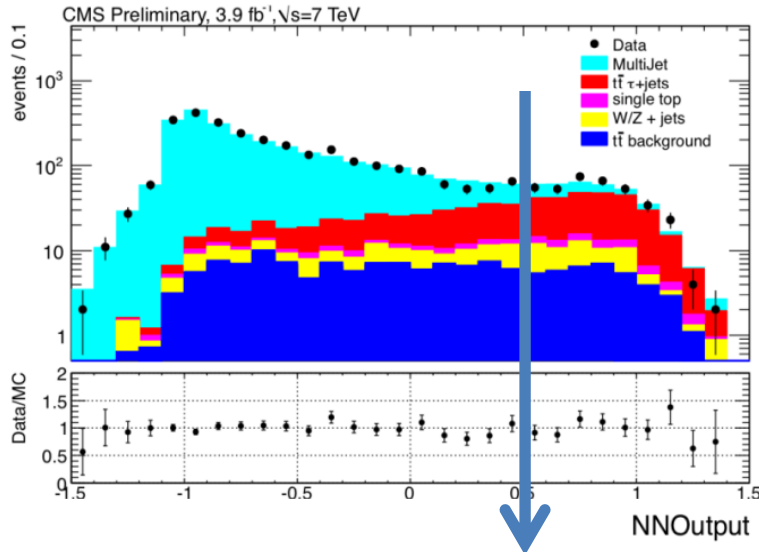
- Profile likelihood fit to jet multiplicity, b-tagged jet multiplicity
- DY events (inside the dilepton invariant mass window) estimated from sidebands
- Cross-check: cut-based analysis requiring 1 b-tagged jet

$$\sigma_{tt} = (161.9 \pm 2.5 \text{ (stat.)} + 5.1\text{-}5.0 \text{ (syst.)} \pm 3.6 \text{ (lumi.)}) \text{ pb}, \quad \Delta\sigma_{tt} / \sigma_{tt} = 4.2\%$$

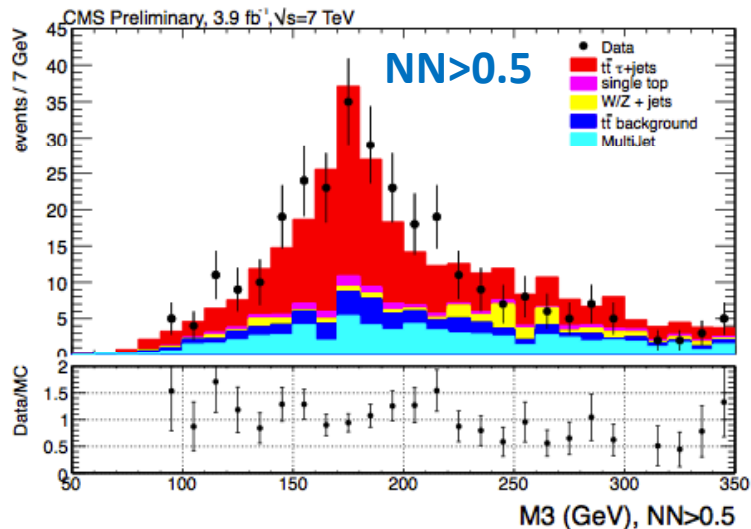
Main systematics: lepton efficiencies 1.7%, jet energy scale 1.8%

$\tau + \text{jets at 7 TeV}$

$t\bar{t} \rightarrow \tau\nu q\bar{q}b\bar{b}$



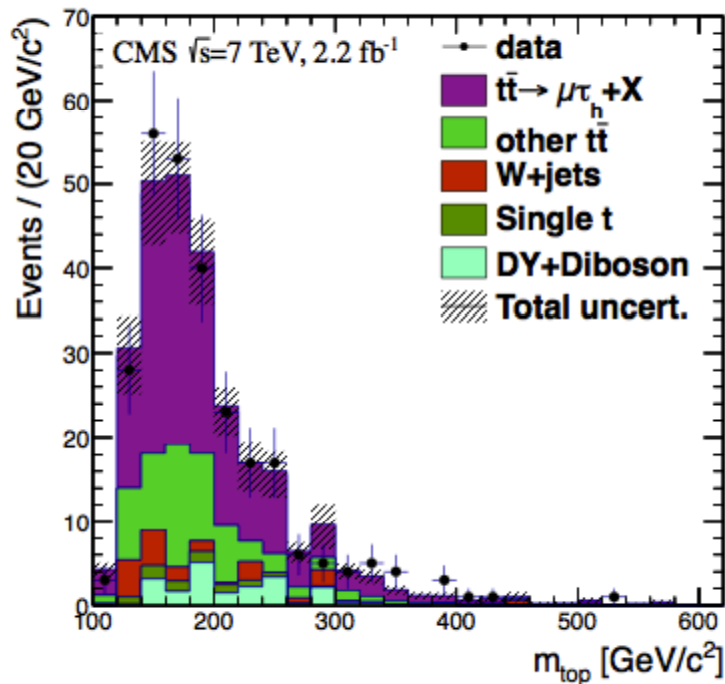
- At least 4 jets
- \geq one b-tagged jet
- \geq one hadronically decaying τ
- Minimum E_{τ}^{miss}
- Hadronic tau decays
- QCD background extracted from data
- Profile likelihood fit to NN output
- Cross-check: cut-based analysis requiring 1 b-tagged jet



$\sigma_{t\bar{t}} = (152 \pm 12 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 32 \text{ (syst.)} \pm 3 \text{ (lumi.)}) \text{ pb}, \quad \Delta\sigma_{t\bar{t}} / \sigma_{t\bar{t}} = 23\%$
 Main systematics: τ identification 9%, τ energy scale 7%, τ trigger eff. 7%, jet energy scale 11%

Dileptons ($\tau, e/\mu$) at 7 TeV

$tt \rightarrow \tau\nu l\nu bb$

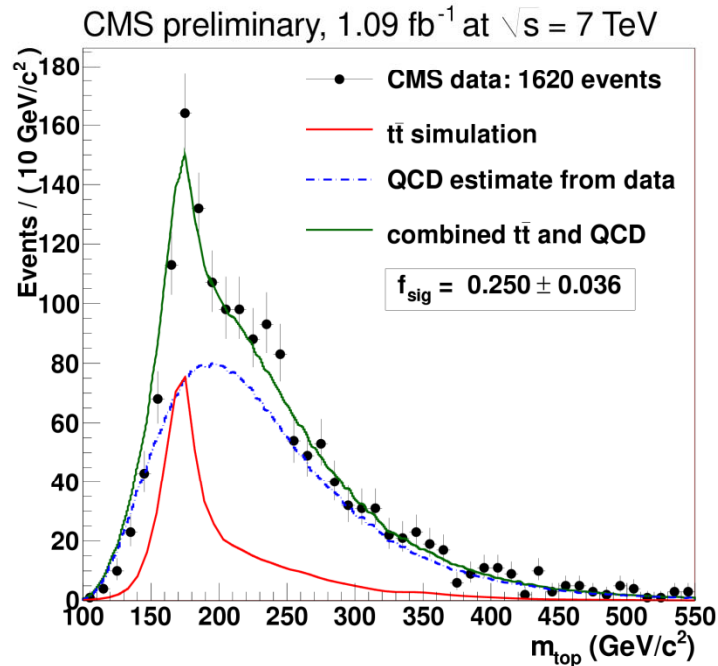


- Hadronic tau decays
- Based on PF, uses tracker and ECAL info to reconstruct and identify 1- and 3-prong decays plus photons from π^0 decays
- Profile likelihood fit to jet multiplicity, b-tagged jet multiplicity
- Cross-check: cut-based analysis requiring 1 b-tagged jet

$\sigma_{tt} = (143 \pm 14 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 22 \text{ (syst.)} \pm 3 \text{ lumi.}) \text{ pb}, \quad \Delta\sigma_{tt} / \sigma_{tt} = 18\%$
 Main systematics: τ identification 6%, jet energy scale 6%

Fully hadronic at 7 TeV

$t\bar{t} \rightarrow qqqqbb$



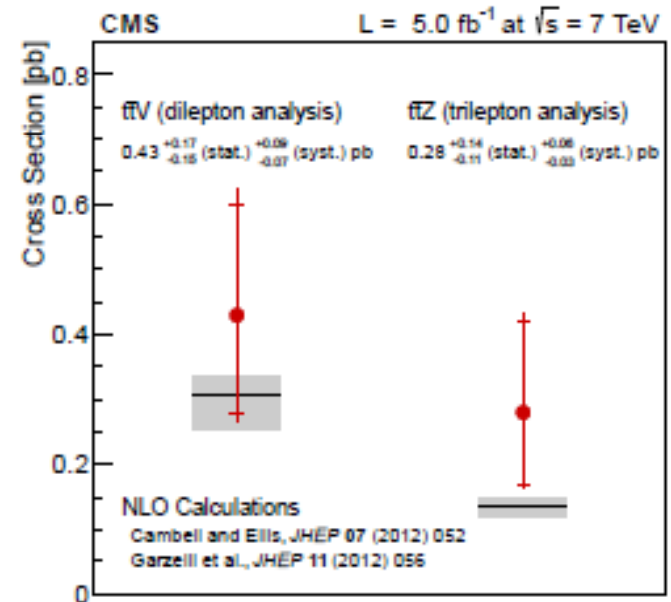
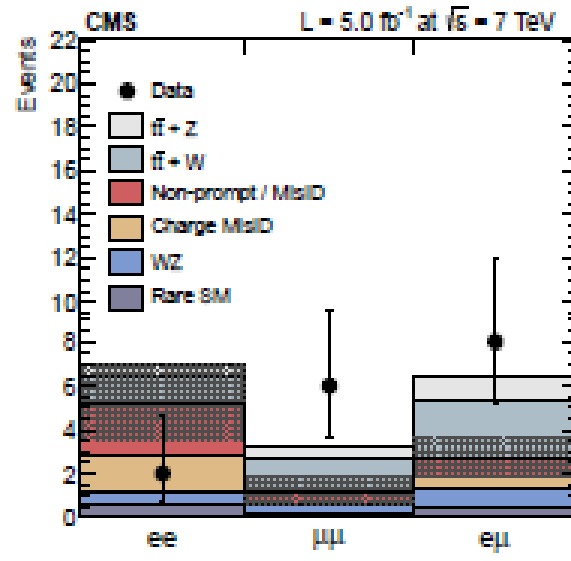
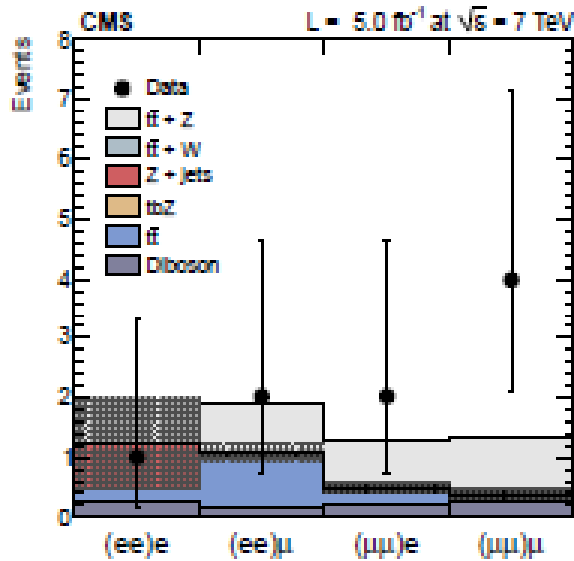
- Very high multijet background
- At least 6 jets
- With different high p_t thresholds
- Require 2 b-tagged jet (essential against QCD)
- QCD estimate from data, reweighted from 0 b-tag control region
- Unbinned likelihood fit to reconstructed top mass

$$\sigma_{t\bar{t}} = (139 \pm 10 \text{ (stat.)} + 26 \text{ (syst.)} \pm 3 \text{ (lumi.)}) \text{ pb,}$$

$$\Delta\sigma_{t\bar{t}} / \sigma_{t\bar{t}} = 20\%$$

Main systematics: b-tagging efficiency 6%, background contribution, jet energy scale 10%

Associated production of Vector Bosons with top-antitop pairs at 7 TeV
 Measurement performed in two independent channels



Trilepton channel,
 $p_T > 20, 20, 10$ GeV
 $HT > 120$ GeV
 2 b-tagged jets
 Exclusive search for ttZ
 Only events with $70 < m_{ll} < 110$ GeV

Dilepton channel (SS), $p_T > 55, 30$ GeV
 $HT > 100$ GeV
 1b-tagged jet
 Inclusive search for ttZ, ttW

Compatible with
 NLO calculations

Combining all 7 channels: ttV signal significance of 4.67 σ

$$\sigma_{ttV} = 0.43 +0.17-0.15 \text{ (stat.)} + 0.09-0.07 \text{ (syst.) pb}$$

$$\sigma_{ttZ} = 0.28 +0.14-0.11 \text{ (stat.)} + 0.06-0.03 \text{ (syst.) pb}$$