

Top quark as a gate to new physics

Z' production in top events at an e^+e^- collider

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Physics context

A broad landscape

On the road to Grand Unification

- Many possible paths ...
 - Super Symmetry (SUSY) (+ String Theory, M-Theory)
 - Kaluza-Klein (KK) theories ... (Randall-Sundrum (RS), Pati-Salam, ...)
 - ...
- No experimental hint so far ...

The Dark Matter puzzle

- A well known problem
 - Dynamics of galaxies \rightarrow DM
 - Gravitational lensing \rightarrow DM
 - $\approx 25\%$ of Universe energy budget = Dark Matter (DM)
 - Unknown nature ...

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Randall-Sundrum Dark Matter

- Left-Right Analogy $\rightarrow SU(2)_R$
- Right handed neutrinos (ν')
- Z' = neutral gauge boson of $SU(2)_R$ coupling to RH states of matter

see [1] for details.

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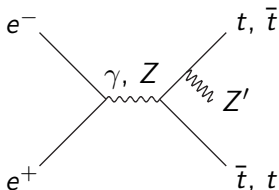
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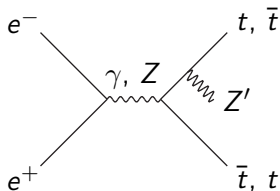


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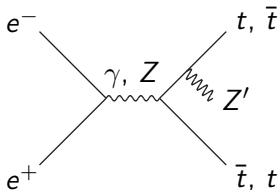


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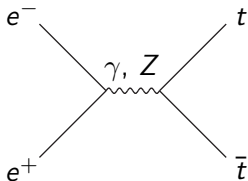
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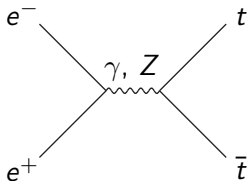


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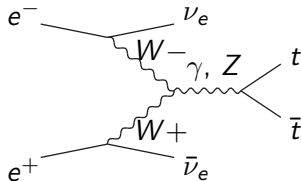
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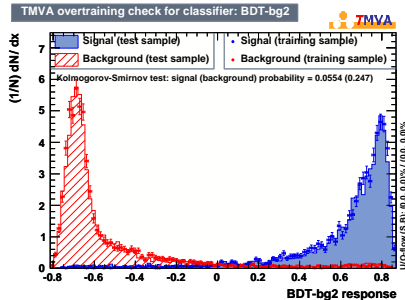
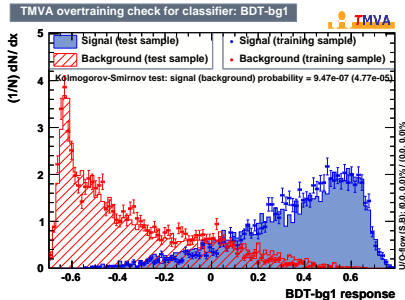
	Sig. vs Bg1	Sig. vs Bg2	p_T cut
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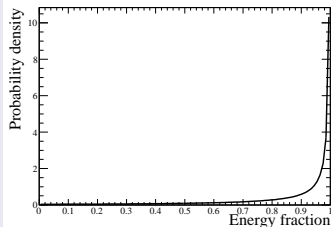
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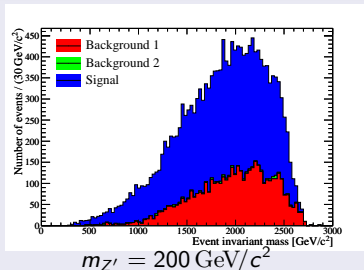
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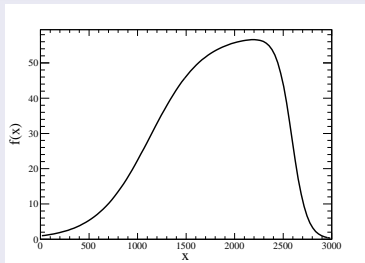
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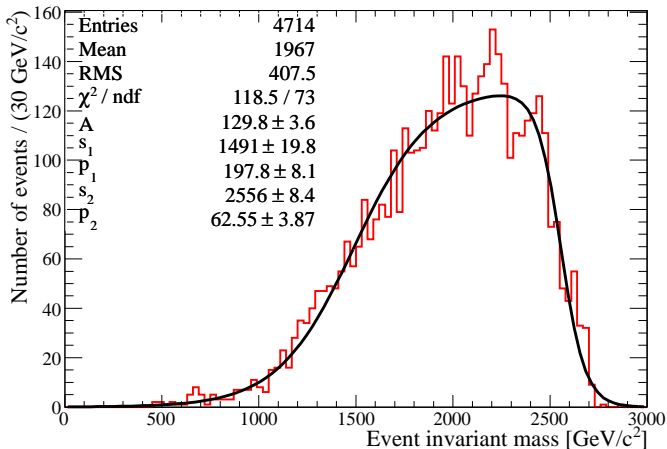
$$f(x) = \frac{A}{\left(e^{\frac{s_1 - x}{p_1}} + 1\right) \left(e^{\frac{x - s_2}{p_2}} + 1\right)}$$



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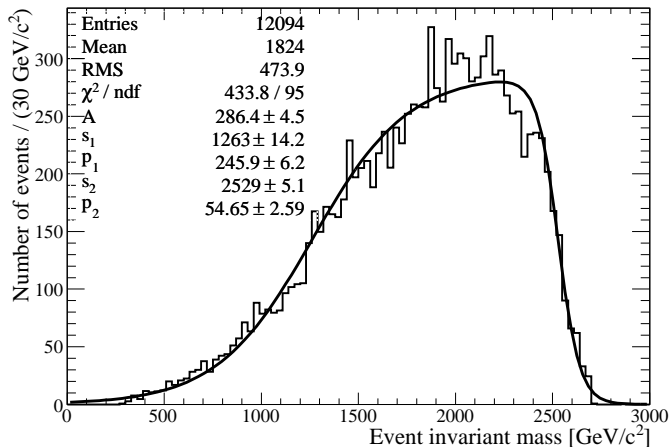
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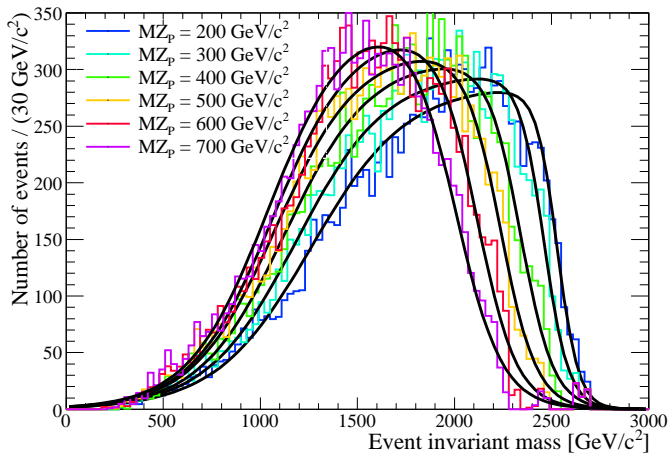
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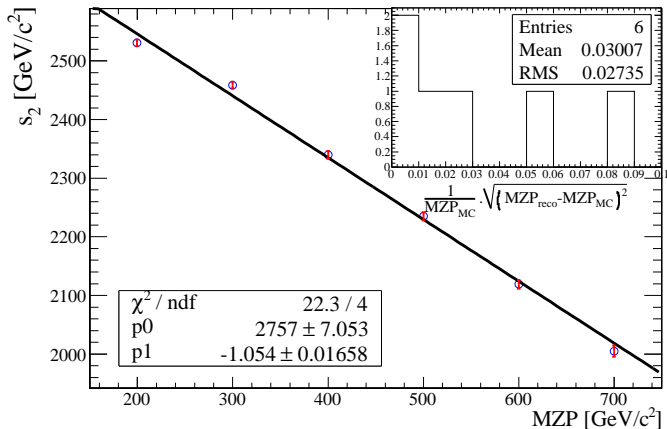
For various Z' masses (identical statistics)



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$$\text{A clear relation: } m_{Z'} = \frac{(2757 \pm 8) - s_2}{1.05 \pm 0.02}$$



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Roadmap

- Use statistics corresponding to predicted cross sections
- Apply selection cuts
- Measure cross section
- Apply $m_{Z'}$ measurement method
- Determine resolution on $m_{Z'}$

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Cross section measurement

- Int. luminosity = 1 ab^{-1} (≈ 3 years at CLIC)
- Event Selection efficiency = 0.884 ± 0.005

$m_{Z'}$	events yield	True cross sect.	Measured cross sect.
200	12094	14.9 fb	$(13.7 \pm 0.2) \text{ fb}$
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$m_{Z'}$	events yield	significance	s_2	measured $m_{Z'}$
200	12094	92.7	2529 ± 5.1	217 GeV/ c^2
300	7411	66.6	2448 ± 7.7	294 GeV/ c^2
400	2150	24.6	2342 ± 19.7	395 GeV/ c^2
500	1192	13.5	2282 ± 39.5	454 GeV/ c^2
600	815	8.4	913 ± 82	1756 GeV/ c^2
700	642	5.6	962 ± 78	1710 GeV/ c^2

- Below 1000 events, the fit fails
- $m_{Z'}$ measurement possible from 200 to 500 GeV/ c^2 ($@\mathcal{L} = 1 \text{ ab}^{-1}$)

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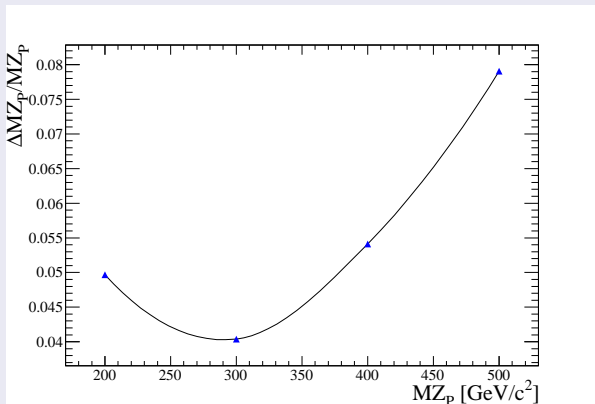
$$\begin{aligned}\Delta m_{Z'} &= \underbrace{\frac{\Delta k}{\alpha}}_{\text{constant term}} \oplus \underbrace{\frac{m_{Z'} \Delta \alpha}{\alpha}}_{\text{linear term}} \oplus \underbrace{\frac{\Delta s_2}{\alpha}}_{\text{fit term}} \\ &= 7.8 \text{ GeV}/c^2 \oplus 0.95 \Delta s_2 \oplus 1.9\% m_{Z'}\end{aligned}$$

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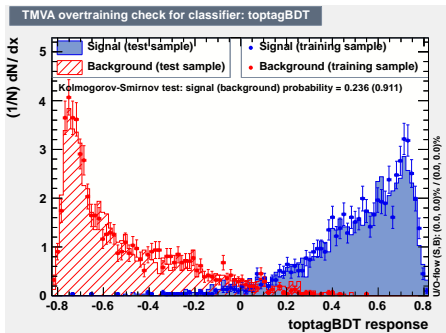
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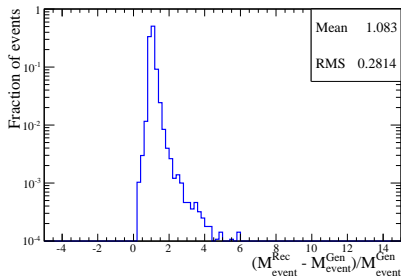


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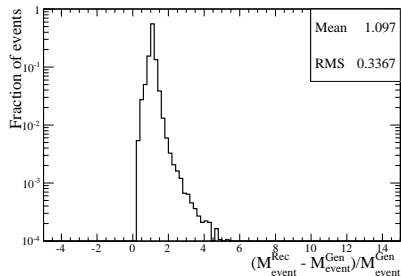
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A note about the work related here can be found [here](#)



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