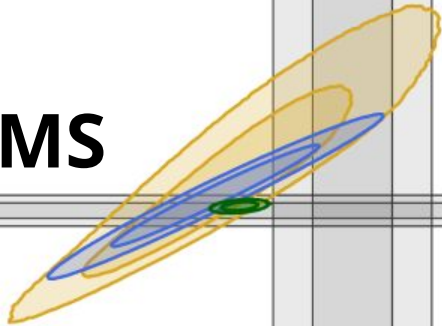


Top mass measurements at CMS



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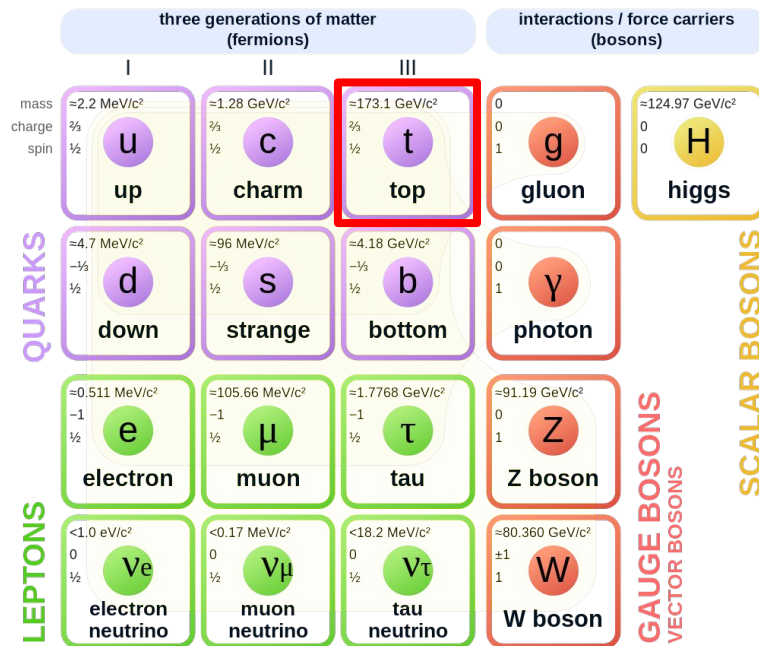
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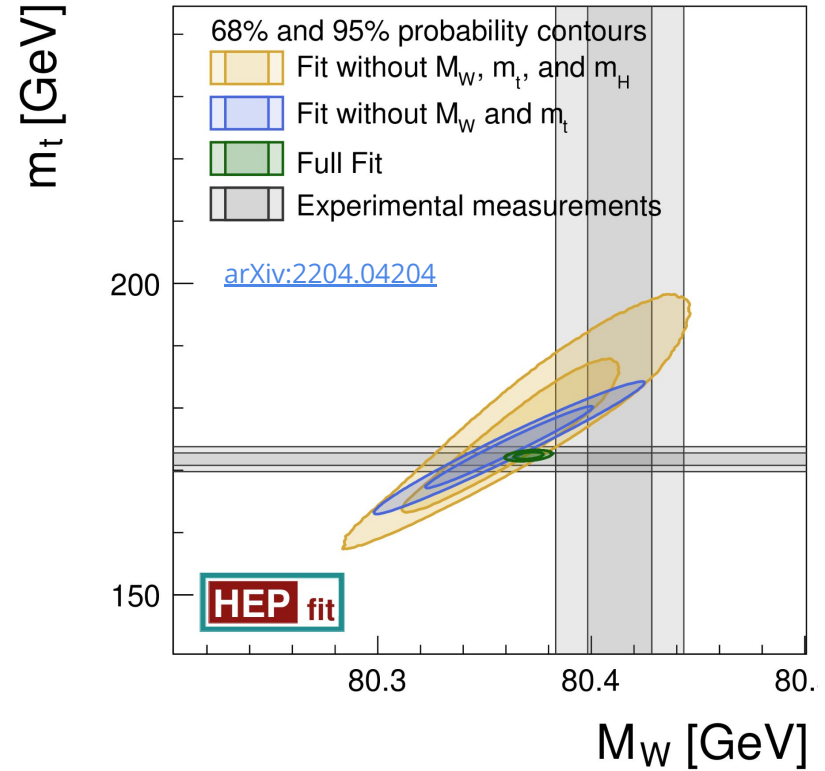
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Standard Model of Elementary Particles



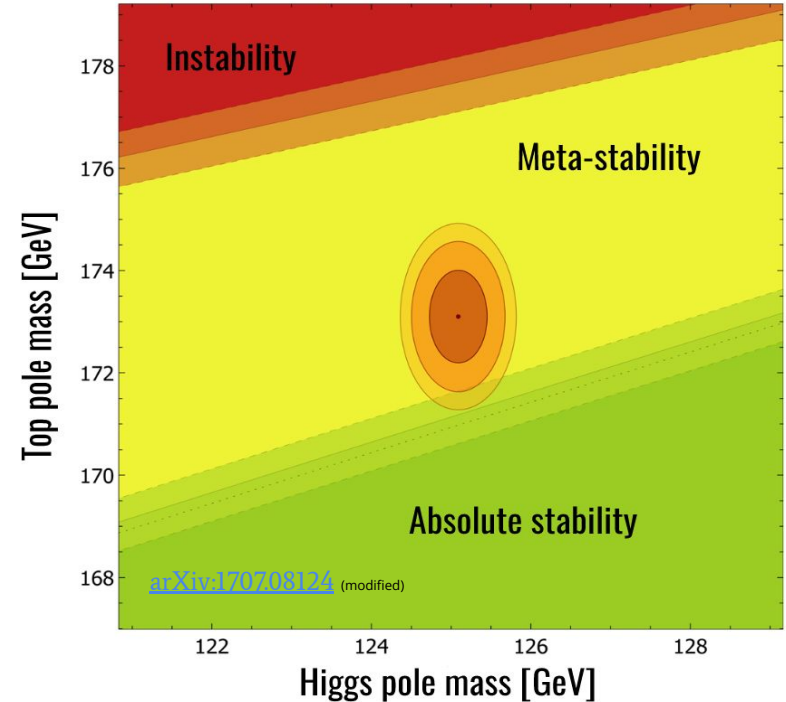
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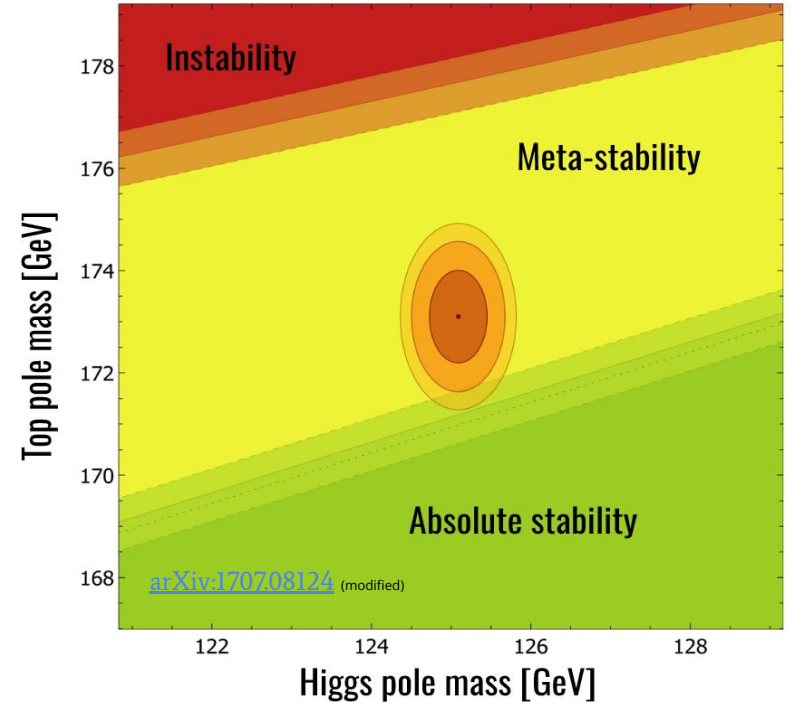
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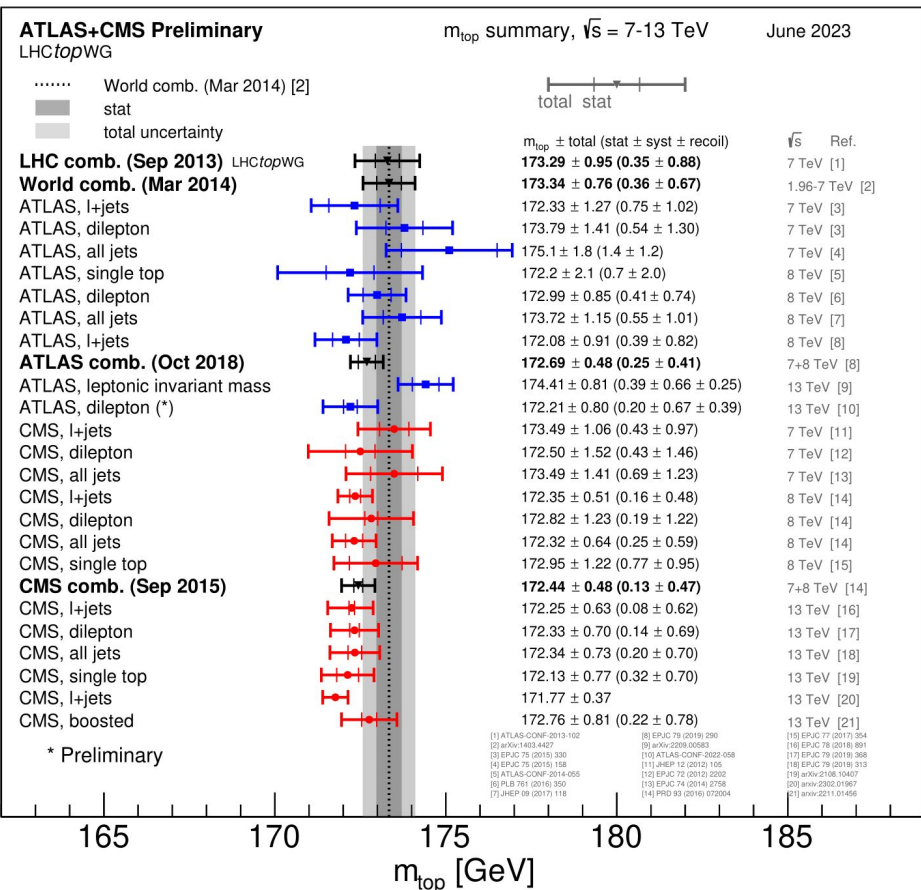
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- Challenges
 - $t\bar{t}$ modelling
 - jet energy scale
 - b-quark fragmentation
 - final state radiation



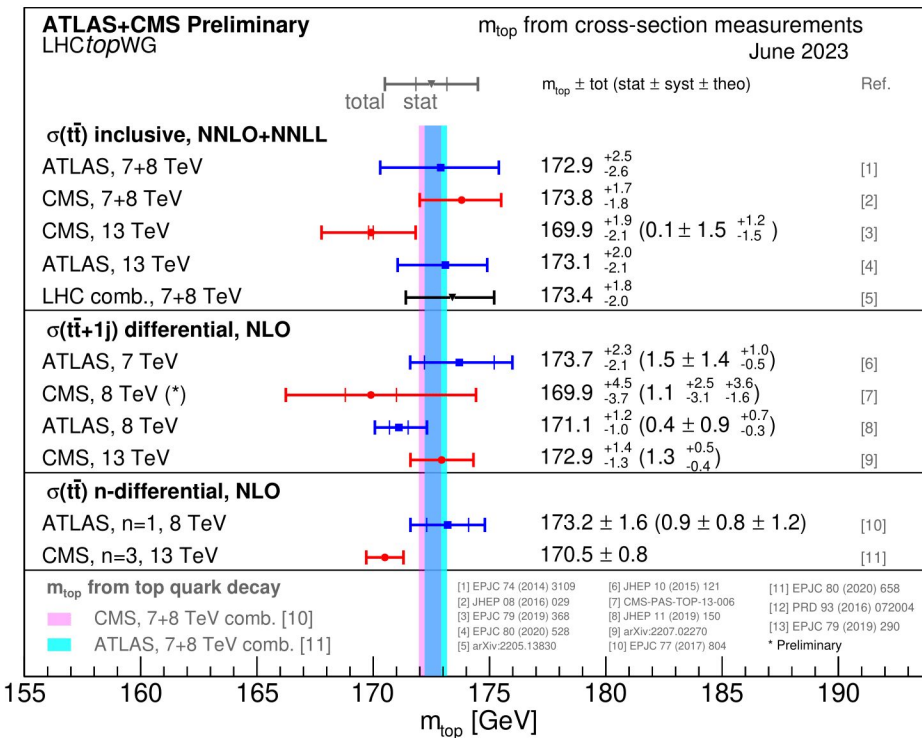
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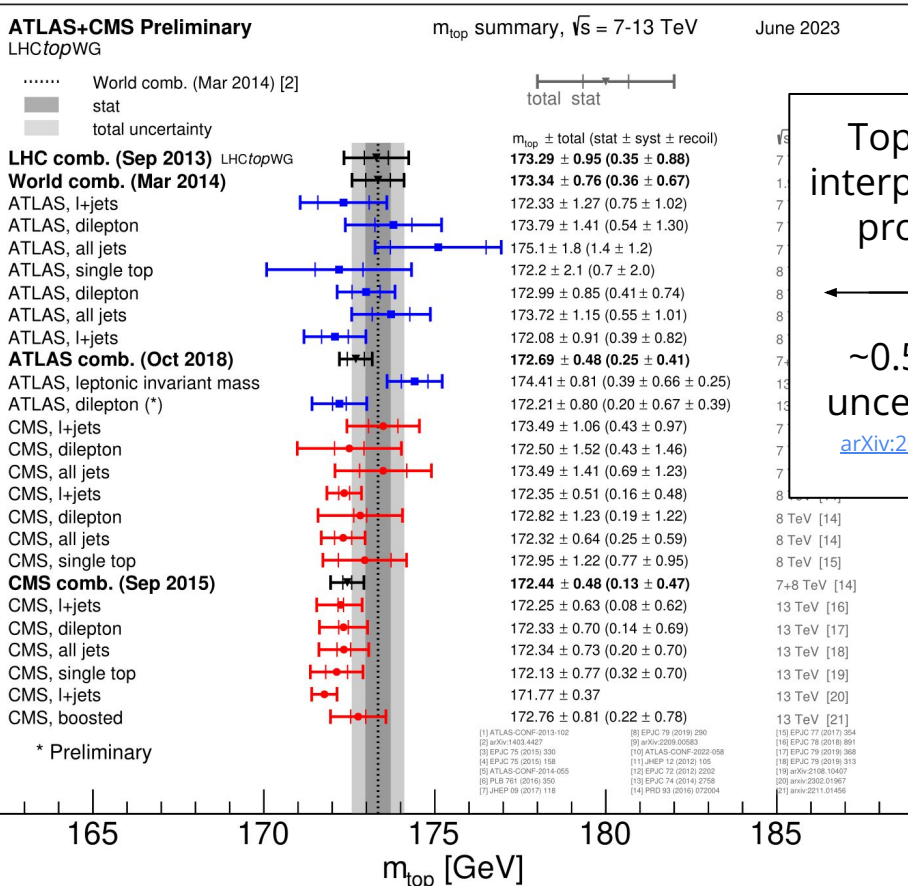
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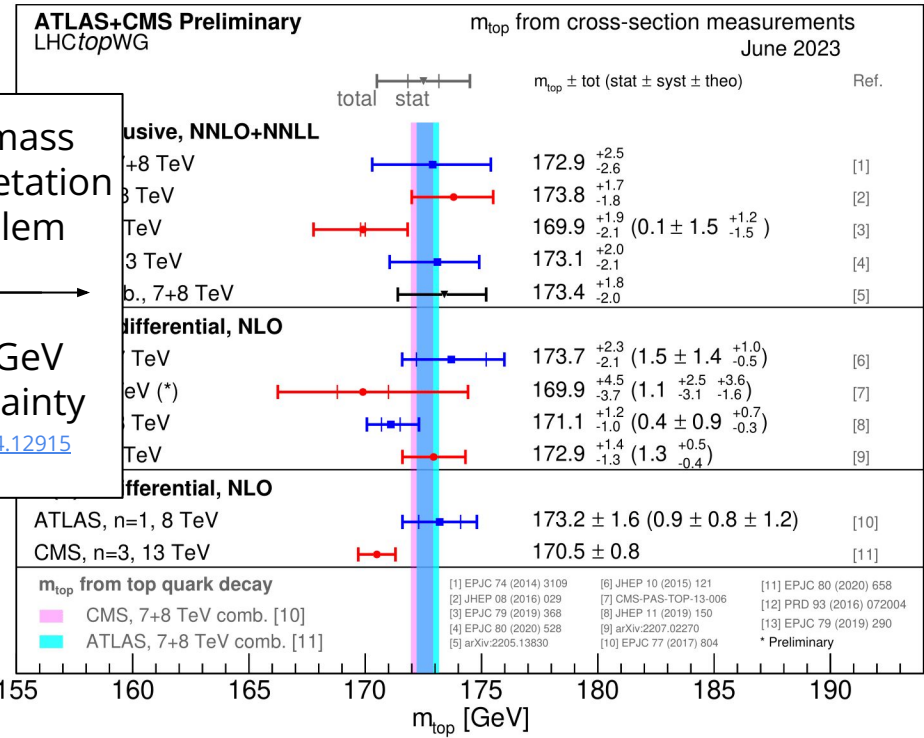
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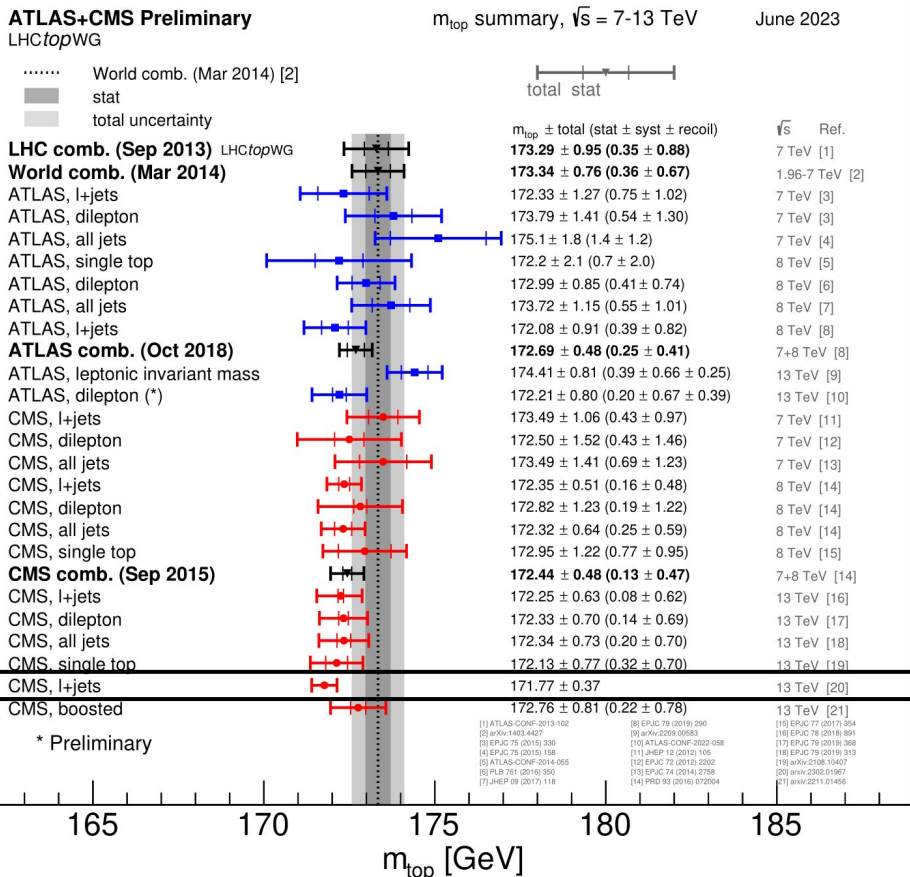
Top mass interpretation problem
 ← →
 ~0.5 GeV uncertainty
[arXiv:2004.12915](https://arxiv.org/abs/2004.12915)



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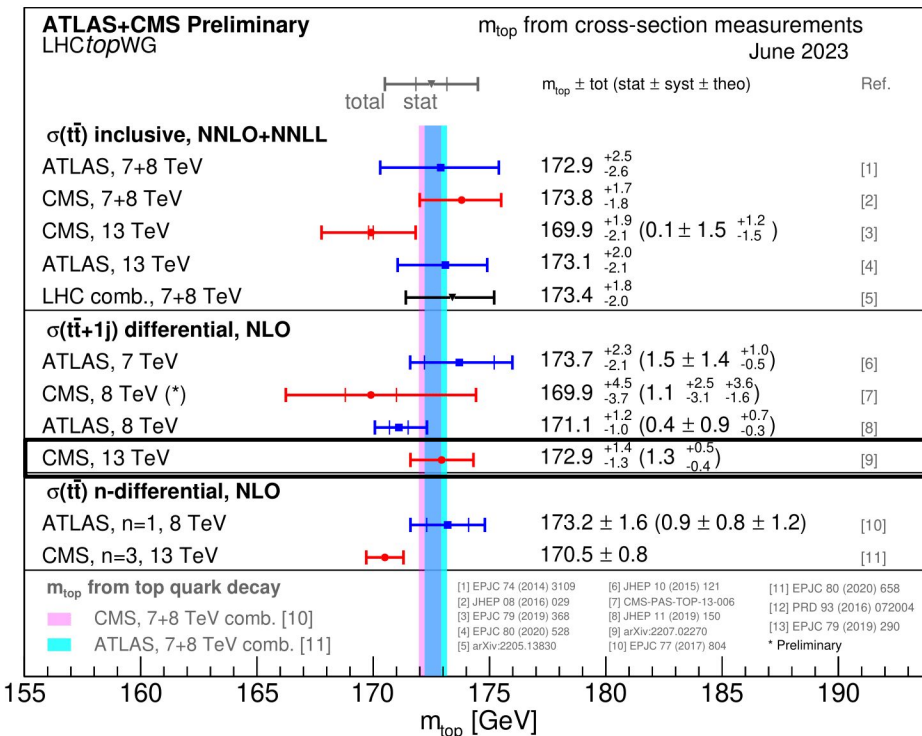
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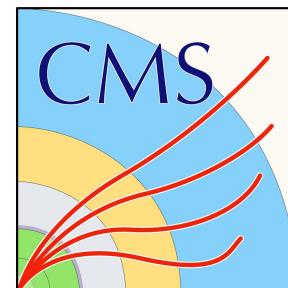
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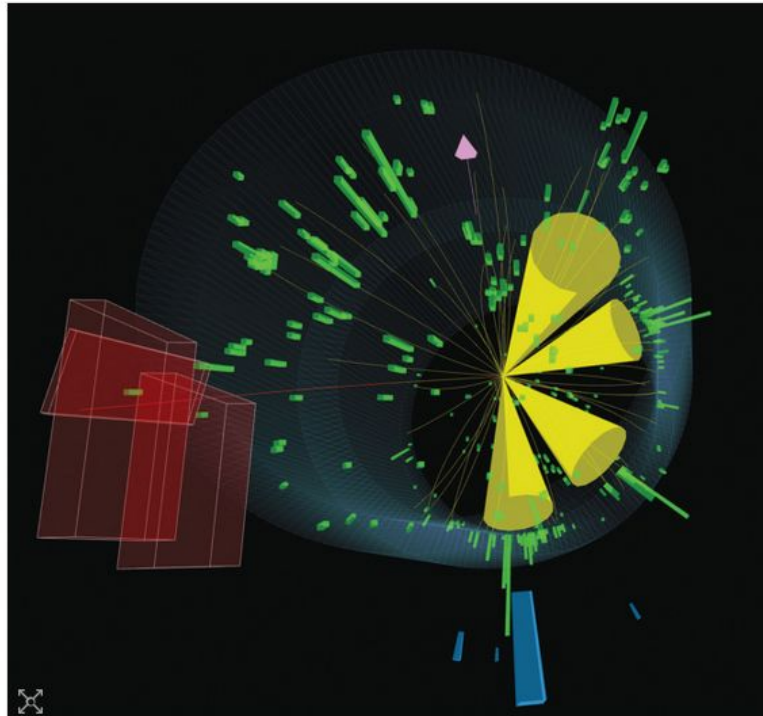
$t\bar{t}$ lepton+jets

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Top quark weighs in with unparalleled precision

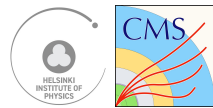
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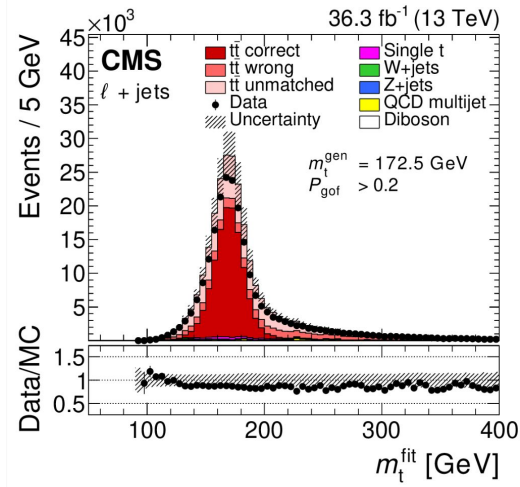
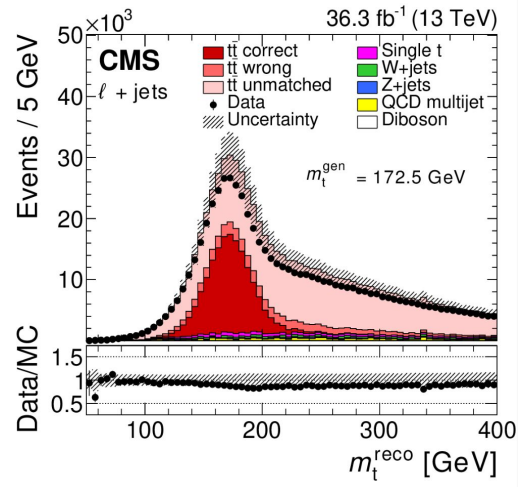
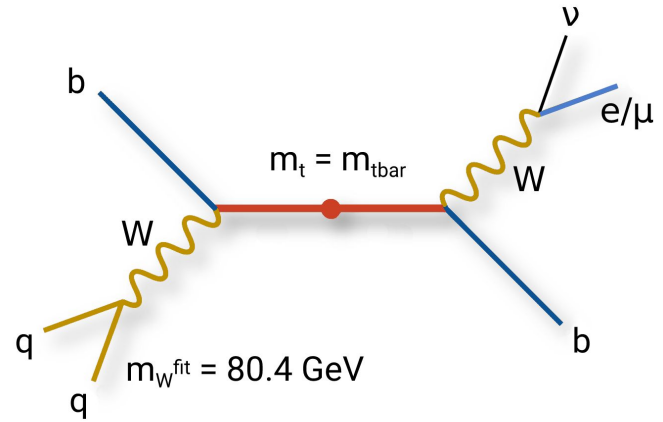
Top marks The classic signature of a top-quark pair at the LHC is four jets (yellow cones), one muon (red line and boxes) and missing energy from a neutrino (pink arrow). Credit: CMS

<https://cerncourier.com/a/top-quark-weighs-in-with-unparalleled-precision/>

Event selection



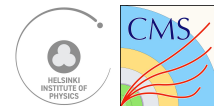
- Exactly one muon/electron
- 2 b-jets
 - correct assignment challenging
- 2 light quark jets from W
 - boosted W's introduce complications



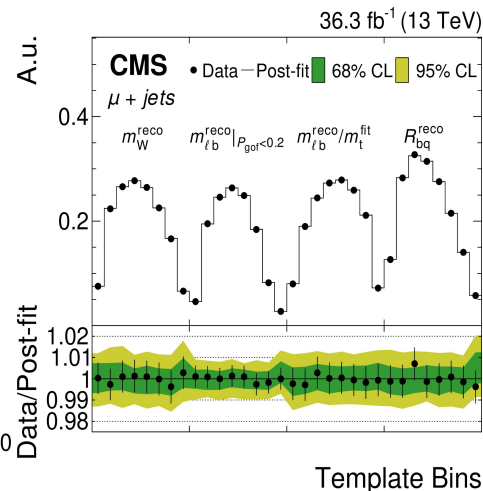
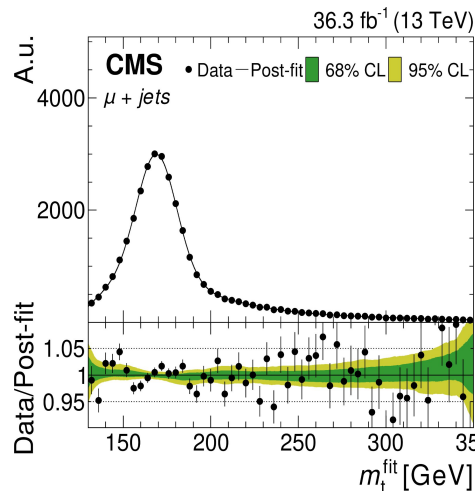
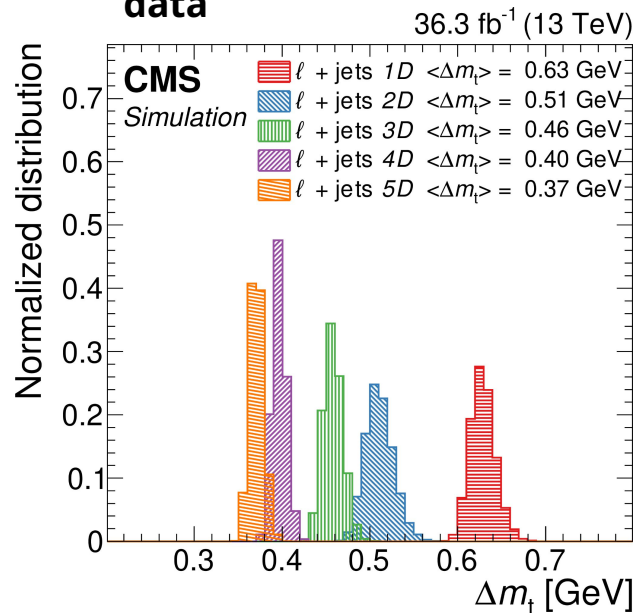
• Kinematic fit

- best event hypothesis chosen from χ^2 minimization
- based on parton-object resolution functions
- constraints
 - $m_W^{fit} = 80.4 \text{ GeV}$
 - $m_t^{had} = m_t^{lept}$
- $P_{gof} = \exp(-\chi^2/2) > 0.2$ used as a default cut

Profiled maximum-likelihood fit

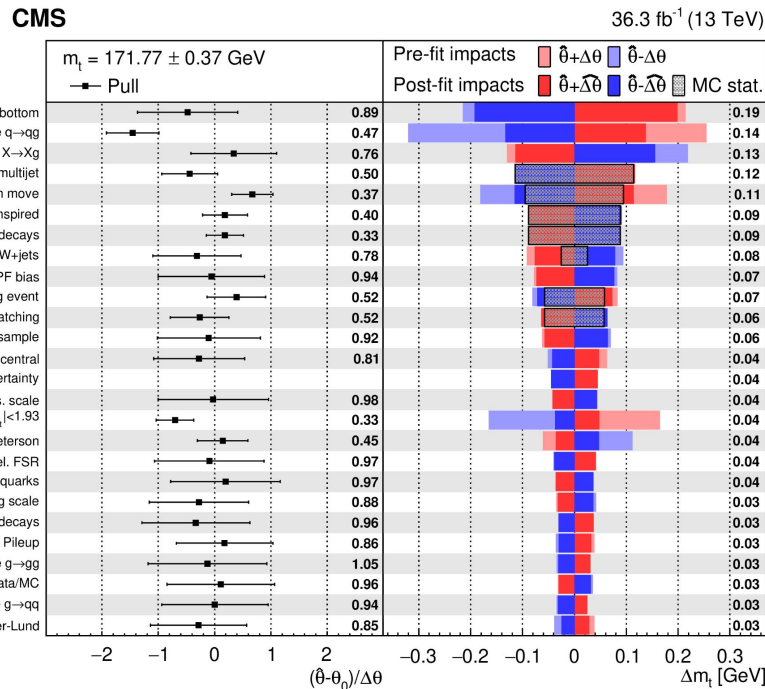
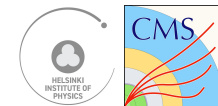


- m_t^{MC} from profiled maximum-likelihood fit using 5 observables
- Nuisance parameters for syst. uncertainties
- **Possible to constrain systematics with data**



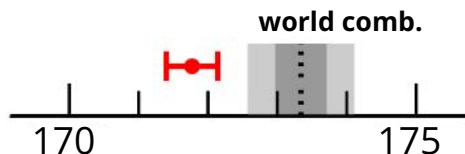
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|---|-----------------------|----------------|
| m_t^{fit} | → for m_t | } parametrized |
| m_W^{reco} | → light quark JES | |
| $R_{bq}^{reco} = (p_T^{b1} + p_T^{b2}) / (p_T^{q1} + p_T^{q2})$ | → b-JES | } binned |
| $m_{lb}^{red} = m_{lb}^{reco} / m_t^{fit}$ | → for lep syst. | |
| $m_{lb}^{reco} (P_{gof} < 0.2)$ | → for full statistics | |

Results



- Most precise individual result to date **171.77 ± 0.37 GeV**
 - statistical uncertainty in data: 0.04 GeV

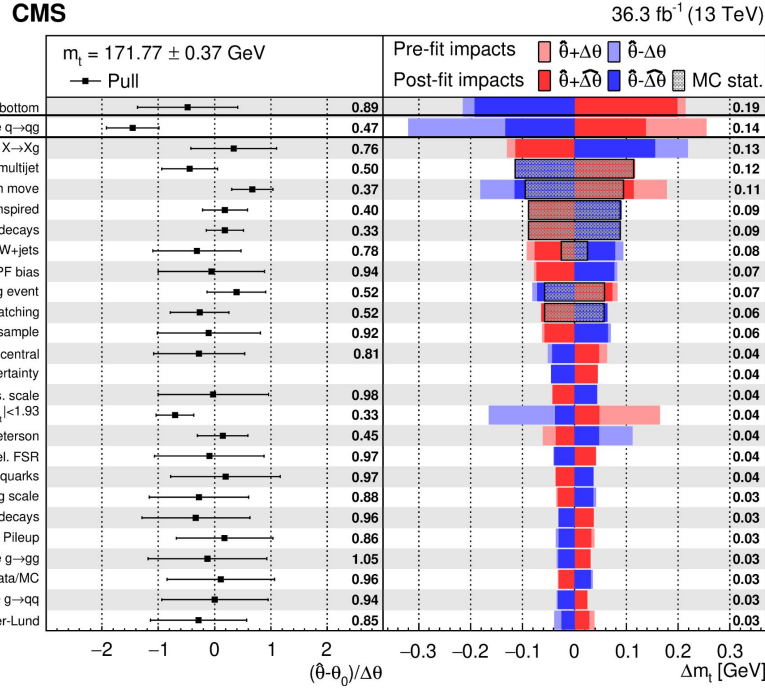
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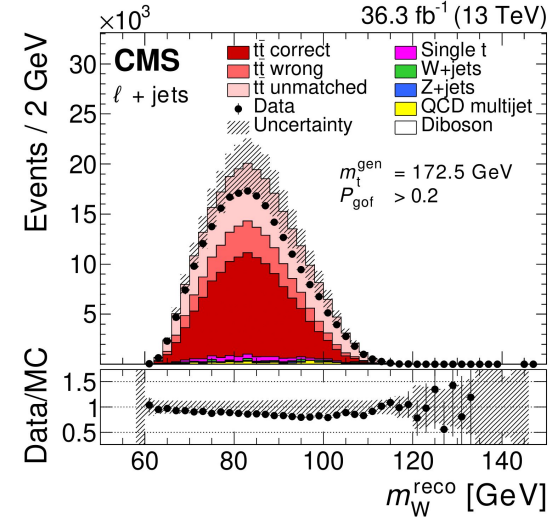
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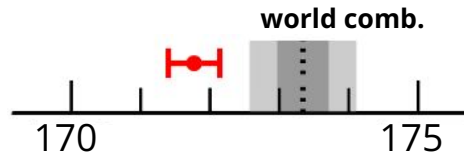
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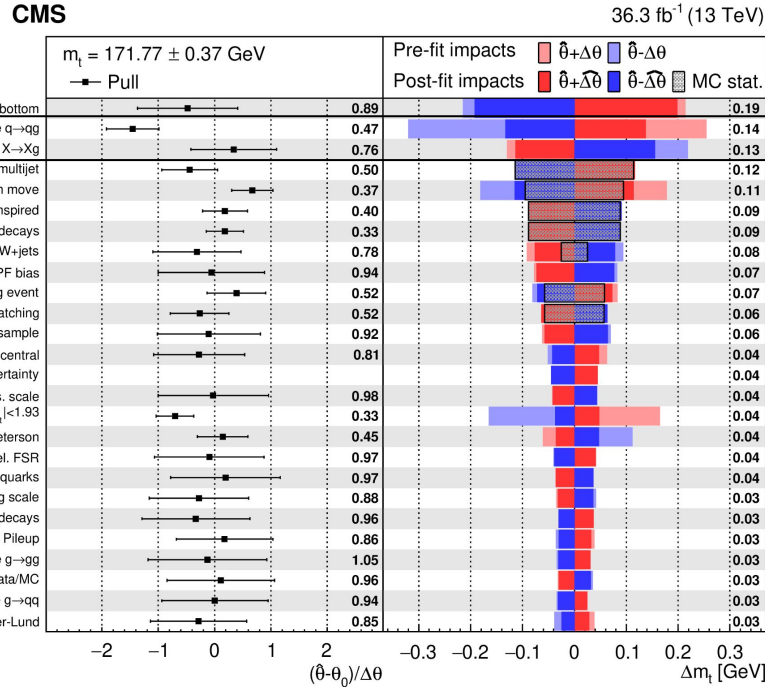
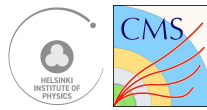
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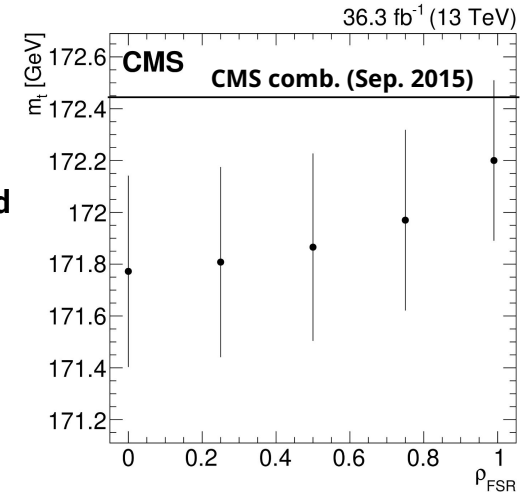
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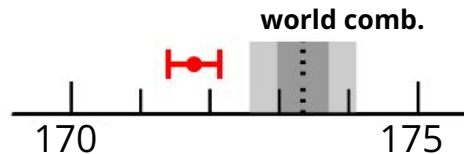
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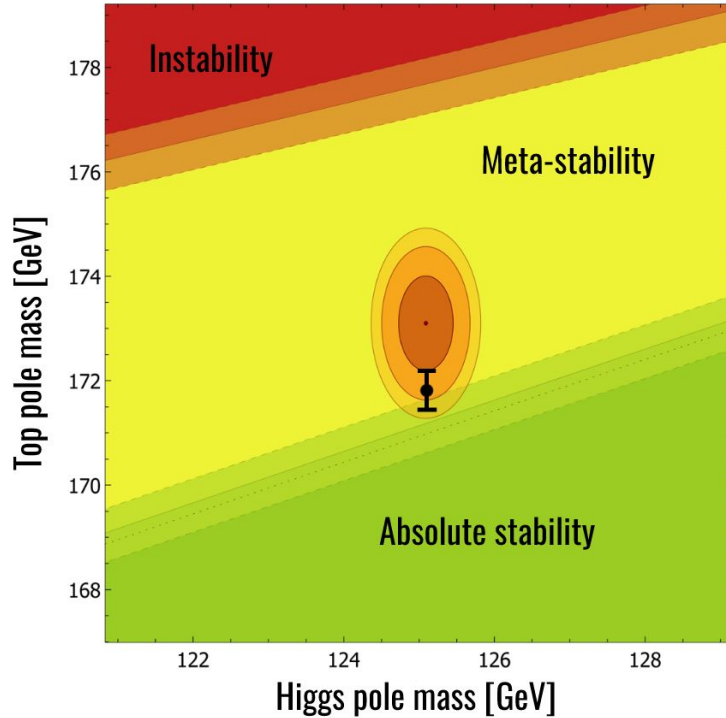
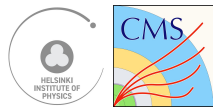
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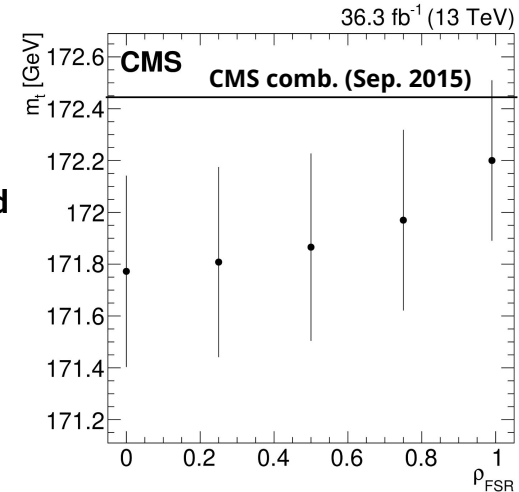
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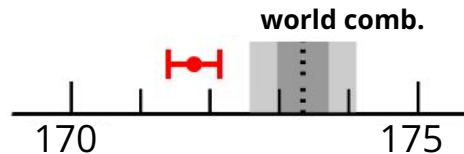
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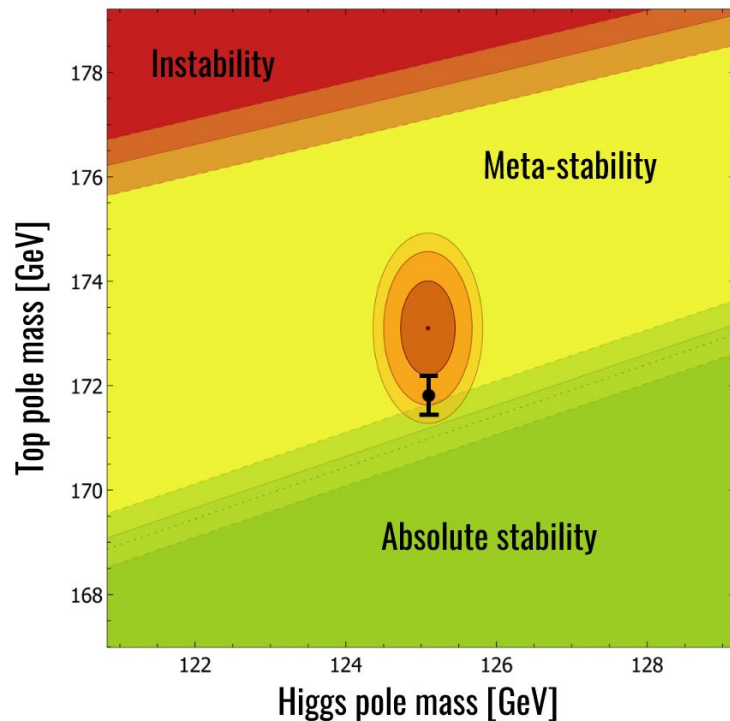
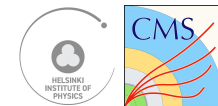
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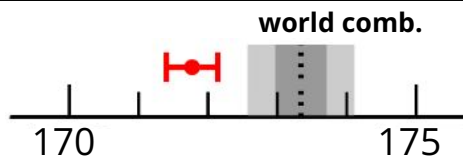
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Our analysis in Helsinki extends this by including data from 2017-2018

$\sim 100 \text{ fb}^{-1} \rightarrow$ around 3 times more than 2016

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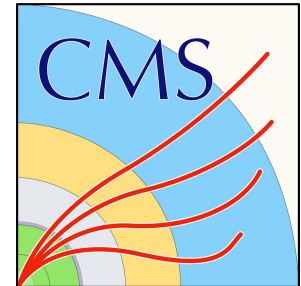
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$t\bar{t}+1j$ pole mass

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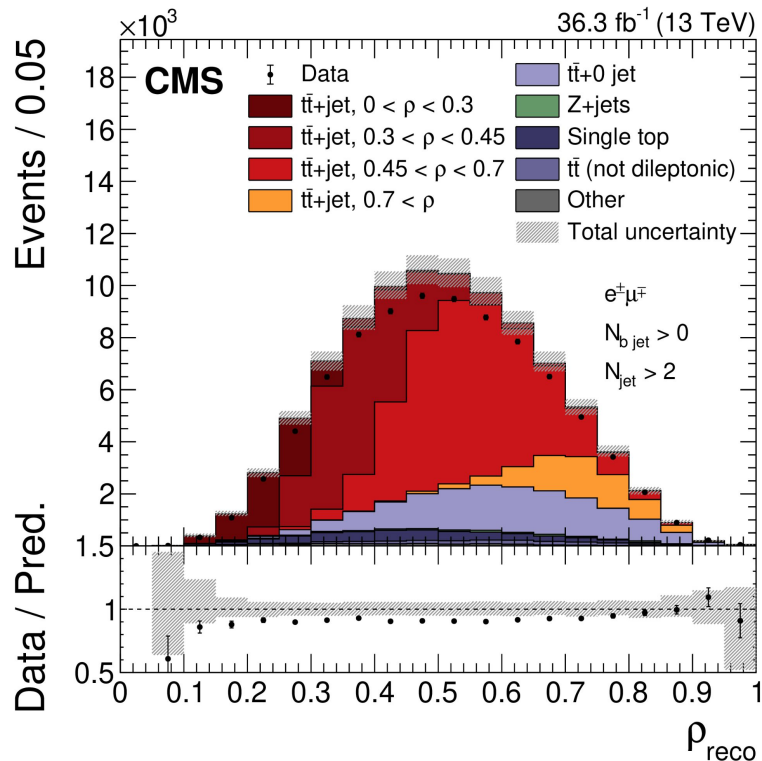
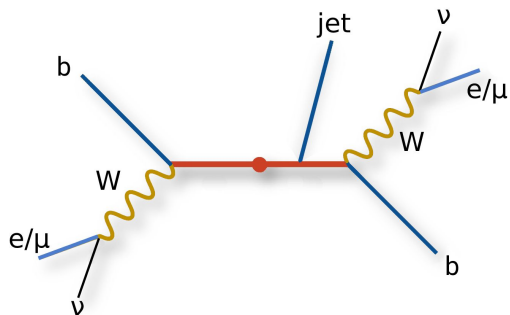


$t\bar{t}+1\text{jet}$ in dilepton channel

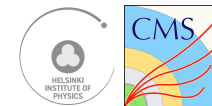
- Normalised differential cross section measured at detector level and unfolded using maximum likelihood method with profiled nuisance parameters
- As a function of ρ

$$\rho = \frac{2m_0}{m_{t\bar{t}+\text{jet}}}$$

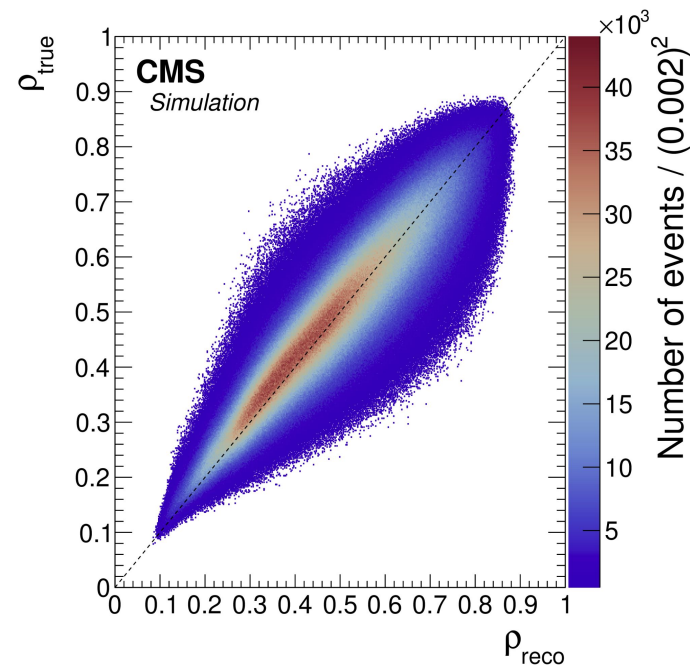
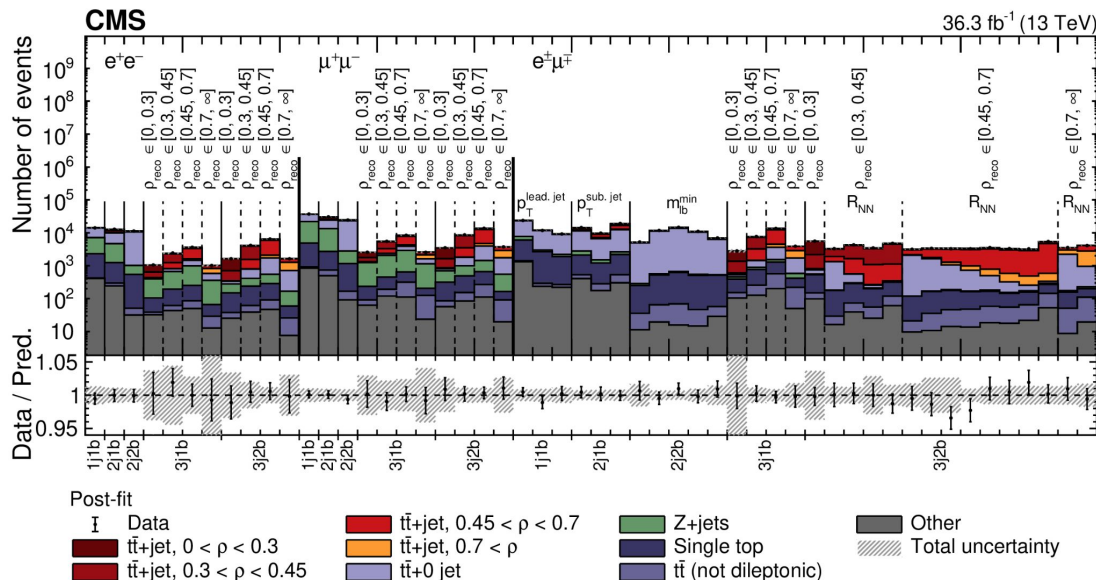
- m_0 scaling constant = 170 GeV



ρ reconstruction

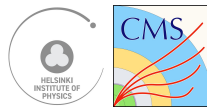


- Regression NN
 - target variable is parton-level ρ
 - ~ 100 variables from which **10 most relevant selected**
- Event classifier developed using the same interface as for regression NN with three output classes $t\bar{t}+\text{jet}$, $Z+\text{jets}$, $t\bar{t}+0\text{jets}$



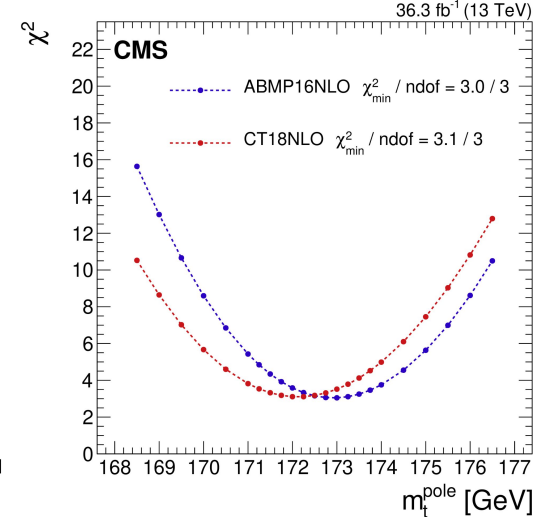
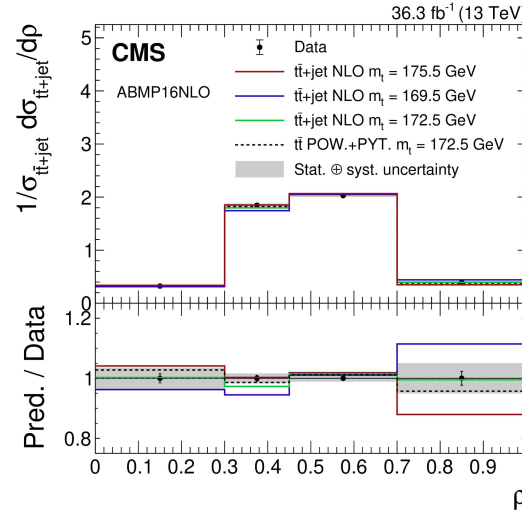
- Event categories based on jet and b-jet multiplicities

Results



- m_t^{pole} from χ^2 fit of the normalized differential cross section at NLO, where m_t^{MC} as a free parameter
- No assumptions on the relationship between $m_t^{\text{MC}} \leftrightarrow m_t^{\text{pole}}$
- In good agreement with m_t^{pole} $t\bar{t}$ +jet measurement by ATLAS at 8 TeV

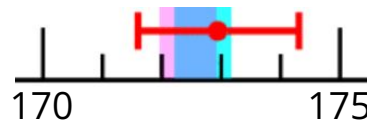
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ABMP16NLO: $m_t^{\text{pole}} = 172.93 \pm 1.26$ (fit) $^{+0.51}_{-0.43}$ (scale) GeV

CT18NLO: $m_t^{\text{pole}} = 172.13 \pm 1.34$ (fit) $^{+0.50}_{-0.40}$ (scale) GeV

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■ CMS 7+8 TeV comb.
■ ATLAS 7+8 TeV comb.

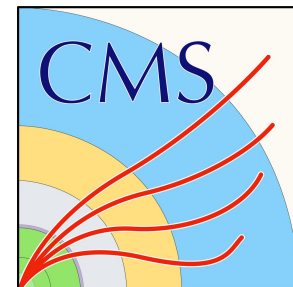
Dominant uncertainties

- Jet energy scale
- Background normalisation
- Electron identification

“Combination of measurements of the top quark mass
from data collected by the ATLAS and CMS
experiments at $\sqrt{s} = 7$ and 8 TeV”

ATLAS + CMS Run1 combination

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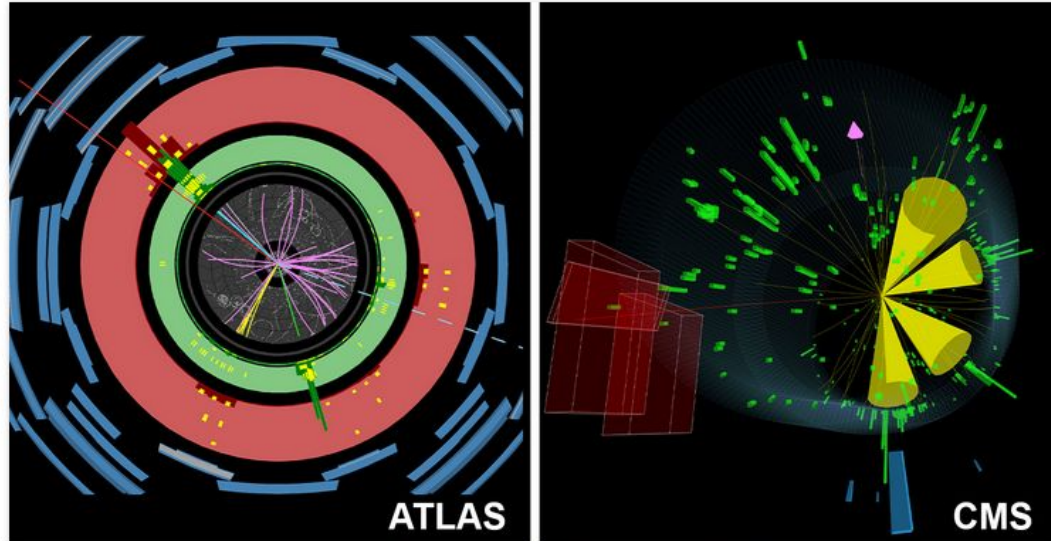


ATLAS and CMS unite to weigh in on the top quark

The new result combines 15 previous measurements to give the most precise determination of the top-quark mass to date

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<https://home.cern/fr/node/188765>

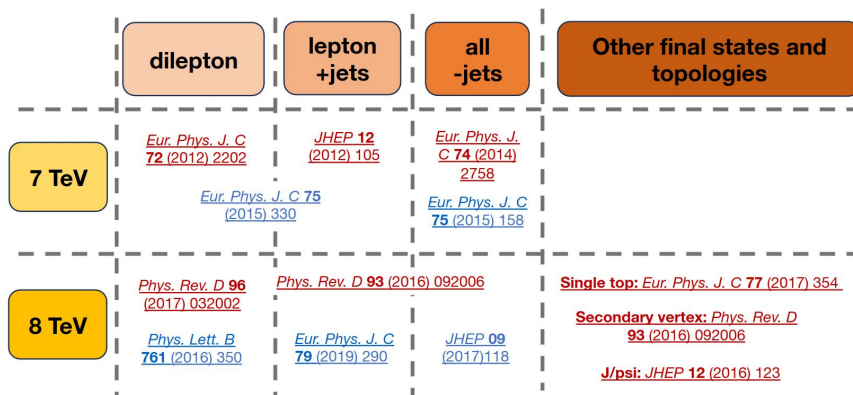


Collision event displays of top-quark production from ATLAS (left) and CMS (right). (Image: ATLAS/CMS/CERN)

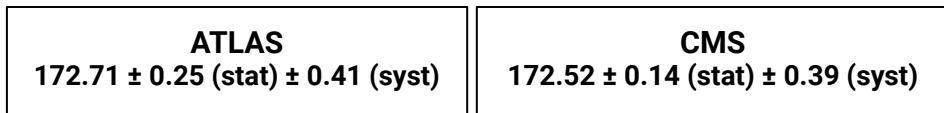
Run1 combination

- 15 input measurements by ATLAS and CMS
 - direct measurements $\rightarrow m_t^{MC}$
- BLUE** = **B**est **L**inear **U**nbiased **E**stimator
 - to properly handle correlations in systematics
 - 25 categories - correlations between pairs of measurements evaluated within experiment
 - then correlation ρ between ATLAS and CMS
 - Uncorrelated: $\rho = 0$
 - Partially correlated: $\rho = 0.5$
 - Strongly correlated: $\rho = 0.85$

| Uncertainty category | ρ | Scan range | $\Delta m_t / 2$ [MeV] | $\Delta \sigma_{m_t} / 2$ [MeV] |
|----------------------|--------|----------------|---------------------------|------------------------------------|
| LHC JES 1 | 0 | — | — | — |
| LHC JES 2 | 0 | [-0.25, +0.25] | 8 | 7 |
| LHC JES 3 | 0.5 | [+0.25, +0.75] | 1 | <1 |
| LHC b-JES | 0.85 | [+0.5, +1] | 26 | 5 |
| LHC g-JES | 0.85 | [+0.5, +1] | 2 | <1 |
| LHC l-JES | 0 | [-0.25, +0.25] | 1 | <1 |
| CMS JES 1 | — | — | — | — |
| JER | 0 | [-0.25, +0.25] | 5 | 1 |
| Leptons | 0 | [-0.25, +0.25] | 2 | 2 |
| b tagging | 0.5 | [+0.25, +0.75] | 1 | 1 |
| p_T^{miss} | 0 | [-0.25, +0.25] | <1 | <1 |
| Pileup | 0.85 | [+0.5, +1] | 2 | <1 |
| Trigger | 0 | [-0.25, +0.25] | <1 | <1 |
| ME generator | 0.5 | [+0.25, +0.75] | <1 | 4 |
| LHC radiation | 0.5 | [+0.25, +0.75] | 7 | 1 |
| LHC hadronization | 0.5 | [+0.25, +0.75] | 1 | <1 |
| CMS B hadron BR | — | — | — | — |
| Color reconnection | 0.5 | [+0.25, +0.75] | 3 | 1 |
| Underlying event | 0.5 | [+0.25, +0.75] | 1 | <1 |
| PDF | 0.85 | [+0.5, +1] | 1 | <1 |
| Top quark p_T | — | — | — | — |
| Background (data) | 0 | [-0.25, +0.25] | 8 | 2 |
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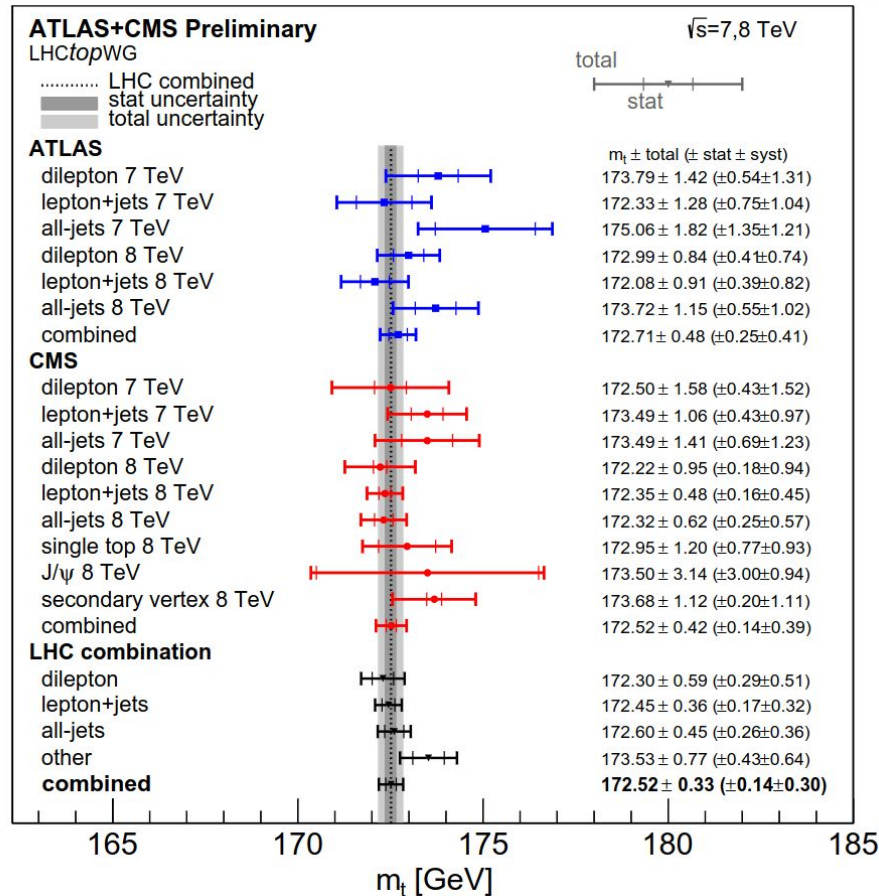
Most precise m_t measurement to date



172.52 ± 0.33 GeV

Dominant uncertainties

- b-JES
- b-tagging
- ME generator
- JES



Summary

- m_t measurements by CMS with increasing **precision** and **understanding** of systematics
- Three measurements introduced
 - m_t^{MC} $t\bar{t}$ lepton+jets **171.77 ± 0.37 GeV**
 - m_t^{pole} $t\bar{t}+1j$ pole mass **172.93 ± 1.36 GeV**
 - Run1 combination **172.52 ± 0.33 GeV**
- Stability of the EW vacuum
 - “To rule out absolute stability to 3σ confidence, the uncertainty on the top quark pole mass would have to be pushed below 250 MeV” [arxiv:1707.08124](https://arxiv.org/abs/1707.08124)
- Top mass interpretation problem
 - $m_t^{\text{MC}} \rightarrow m_t^{\text{pole}}$

