

# Boosted tops as a window to new physics

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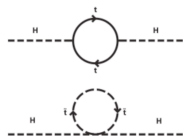
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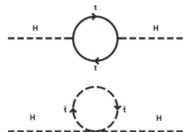
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## HEPTopTagger: hadronic top $t \rightarrow 3j$

- full momentum reconstruction possible in principle
  - $\rightarrow$  important beyond discovery
- top against  $10^3$  larger QCD, how to identify?
  - $\sigma_{t\bar{t}}^{14\text{TeV}} = 918 \text{ pb} \leftrightarrow \sigma_{3j}^{14\text{TeV}} \sim 2 \cdot 10^6 \text{ pb}$
- take 3 jets with simple  $m_t, m_W$  condition
  - $\rightarrow$  large QCD combinatorial BG kill us

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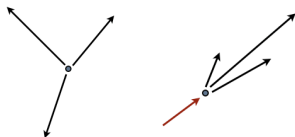
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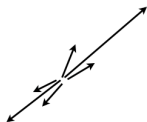
- top at rest  $\rightarrow$  separate 3 jets
- boosted top  $\rightarrow$  massive jet

$$R \sim 2m/p_T$$



## QCD jet

- 2 jet events dominate QCD
- soft-collinear nature in its substructure
- take massive jet & look into jet substructure  
combinatorics significantly reduced



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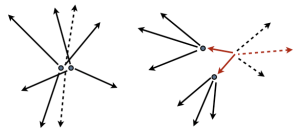
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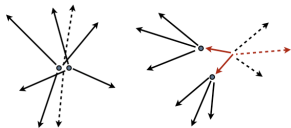
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## top taggers

several top taggers available: focus on  $p_T > 500$  GeV.

[Kaplan, Rehermann, Schwartz, Tweedie]

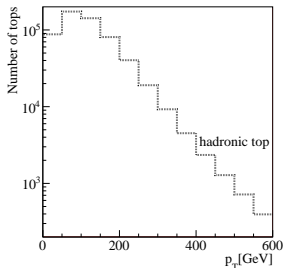
[Thaler, Wang]

[Almeida, Lee, Perez, Sterman, Sung]

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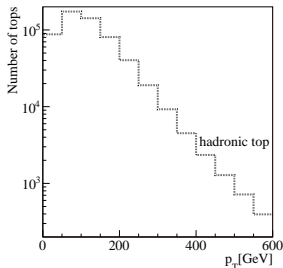
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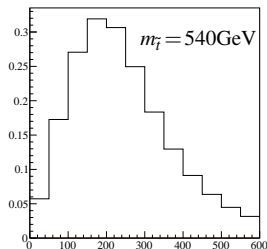
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- light top partners also provide tops in the same range

we focus on  $p_T > 200$  GeV  
 $\rightarrow$  need fat jet with  $R = 1.5$





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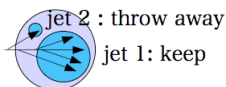
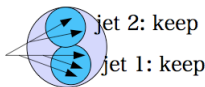
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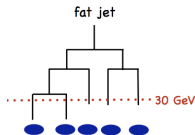
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$$j = j_1 + j_2$$

$$m_j \gg m_{j_1}, m_{j_2} \text{ (decay)} \leftrightarrow m_j \sim m_{j_1} \gg m_{j_2} \text{ (QCD)}$$



- keep  $j_1$  and  $j_2$  for  $m_{j_1} < 0.8m_j$  until  $m_j < 50 \text{ GeV}$



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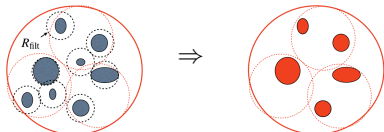
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## filtering [Butterworth et al.]

- effect of pile-up, underlying events  $\sim R^2$
- reduce effective area with smaller  $R_{\text{filt}}$  and  $n_{\text{filt}}$



- $R_{\text{filt}} = \min\{0.3, R_{ij}/2\}$  and  $n_{\text{filt}} = 5$  ( $t \rightarrow bWg \rightarrow bgjjg$ )

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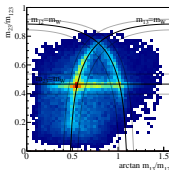
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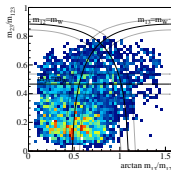
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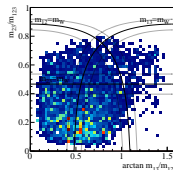
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$t\bar{t}$



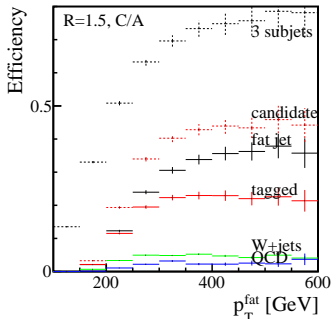
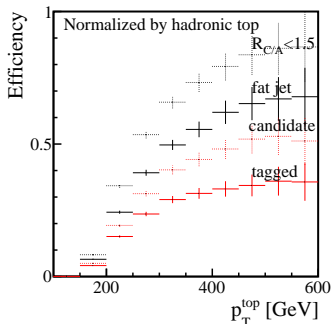
W+jets



QCD

- W mass condition,  $t\bar{t}$  soft-collinear cut  $\rightarrow$  **tagged top**
- no  $b$ -tag information

## efficiency



- efficiency  $\sim 30\%$  for hadronic tops,  $2 \sim 4\%$  mis-tag rate
- momentum well reconstructed
- validation with ATLAS experimentalists in Heidelberg

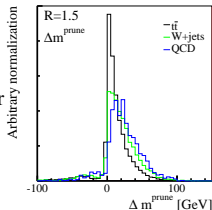
[G. Kasieczka, S. Schätzel, A. Schöning]

## different algorithms (kt, C/A, anti-kt)

- better subject reconstruction with kT in high  $p_T$
- better  $\epsilon_{\text{tag}}$  with worse rejection for BG

## additional pruning [Ellis et al.]

- veto recombination  $z = \frac{\min\{p_{T_i}, p_{T_j}\}}{|\vec{p}_{T_i} + \vec{p}_{T_j}|} < z_{\text{cut}}$
- pruned mass  $\Delta m^{\text{pruned}} = m^{\text{pruned}} - m^{\text{filter}}$
- $\epsilon_{\text{tag}}/\epsilon_{\text{mis}}$  rate improves factor 2  
with  $\Delta m^{\text{pruned}} < 15 \text{ GeV}$



## *b*-tag information

- not help to use *b*-tag information in selecting subjects
- without *b*-tag, 77% top tag already select  $j_b = b$
- only BG has factor  $3 \times \epsilon_b^{\text{mis}}$
- use *b*-tag after top tag

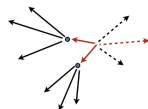
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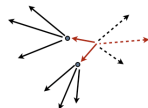
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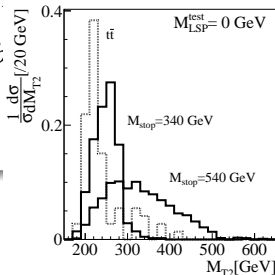
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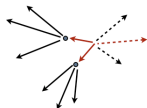
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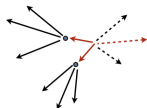
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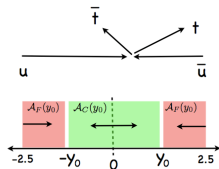
## semi-leptonic mode [JHEP 1105 (2011) 135 [arXiv:1102.0557], T. Plehn, M. Spannowsky, MT]

boosted leptonic top  $S/B \sim 2, S/\sqrt{B} > 5 \text{ at } 14 \text{ TeV with } 10\text{fb}^{-1}$

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[Phys.Rev. D84 (2011) 054005 arXiv:1103.4618, J. L. Hewett, J. Shelton, M. Spannowsky, T.M.P. Tait, MT]

- QCD  $A_{FB}^t$ : small NLO effect ( $\sim 6\%$ )
- D0 and CDF observed anomalously large  $A_{FB}^t$  especially in large  $m_{tt}$
- LHC (pp collider):  
charge asymmetry in forward-central region



anti-tops are more central

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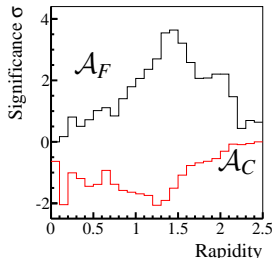
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- semi-leptonic mode:  $t\bar{t} \rightarrow (bjj)(bl\nu)$ 
  - one isolated lepton & one hadronic top tag
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  - top charge determined by lepton

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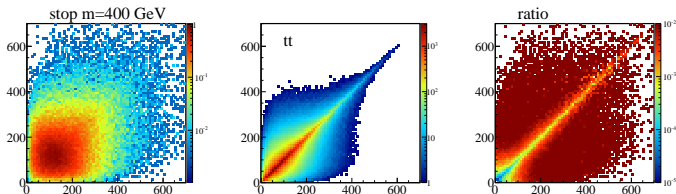


- SM:  $5\sigma$  after  $60\text{fb}^{-1}$  (14TeV)
- BSM: with 4 quark contact interactions for Tevatron
  - $5\sigma$  after  $2\text{fb}^{-1}$  (14TeV)
  - $2.8\sigma$  after  $10\text{fb}^{-1}$  (7TeV)

# Scalar Top Pairs at 8TeV

[arXiv:1205.XXXX T. Plehn, M. Spannowsky, MT]

- $\sigma^{8\text{TeV}} \sim \frac{1}{10} \sigma^{14\text{TeV}}$ : both for  $t\bar{t}$  and  $\tilde{t}_1\tilde{t}_1^*$
- 2 boosted tops: not enough signal left
- $t\bar{t}$ : dominant background at the end



- 1 boosted top and 1 non-boosted top
  - hadronic mode: 1 hadronic top-tag +  $b$ -jet +  $\cancel{E}_T$
  - semi-leptonic mode: 1 hadronic top-tag +  $\ell, \cancel{E}_T$

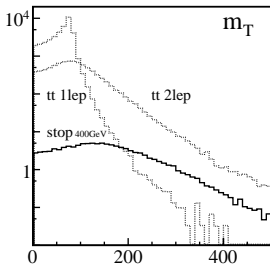
– semi-leptonic mode: 1 hadronic top-tag +  $\ell, \cancel{E}_T$

Boosted Top

HEPTopTagger

Applications

Summary



$$t\bar{t} \rightarrow t_h + b\ell\nu$$

negligible with  $m_T(\ell, \cancel{E}_T) > 150$  GeV

$$t\bar{t} \rightarrow b\bar{b} + \tau_h\ell + 2\nu$$

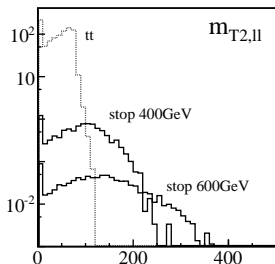
fake hadronic top tag with ISR or  $\tau_h$

→ subjet id:  $b$ -tag,  $\tau_h$  rejection.

$\sqrt{s} = 8$ TeV, $R = 1.5$	$\tilde{t}\tilde{t}^*$							$t\bar{t}$	$S/B S/\sqrt{B}_{10\text{fb}^{-1}}$	
$m_T$ [ GeV ]	350	400	450	500	600	700		400		
cross section [fb]	760	337	160	80.5	23.0	7.19	$2.34 \cdot 10^5$			
$n_\ell = 1, \cancel{E}_T > 100$ GeV, $n_{\text{fat}} \geq 1$	104.37	61.49	34.81	19.54	6.28	2.11	5631			
$n_{\text{tag}} = 1$	13.09	9.02	5.80	3.60	1.33	0.50	788.79			
$m_T > 150$ GeV	4.63	4.27	3.25	2.19	0.94	0.38	3.28	1.0	6.5	
$j_b = b$	1.47	1.38	1.06	0.70	0.31	0.13	0.63	2.1	5.4	
$(j_b, j_{W1}, j_{W2}) = (b, j, j)$	1.33	1.27	0.96	0.65	0.29	0.12	0.50	2.4	5.5	
$(j_b, j_{W1}, j_{W2}) = (b, j, j)$ , reject $\tau_h$	1.20	1.16	0.88	0.60	0.27	0.11	0.25	4.1	6.9	



– di-lepton mode



$$\bar{t}\bar{t} \rightarrow b\bar{b} + \ell\ell + 2\nu$$

negligible with  $m_{T2}^{\ell\ell} > 100$  GeV

$$m_{T2} = \min_{\cancel{E}_T \text{ split}} \left[ \max \{ m_T^{\ell_1}, m_T^{\ell_2} \} \right]$$

$\sqrt{s} = 8$ TeV $m_{\tilde{t}} [\text{GeV}]$	$\tilde{t}\tilde{t}1^*$						$\bar{t}\bar{t}$	$\bar{t}\bar{t}Z$	$S/B$	$S/\sqrt{B}_{10\text{fb}^{-1}}$ 400
	350	400	450	500	600	700				
$n_\ell = 2$	30.98	14.27	7.07	3.58	1.04	0.33	7650.88	n.a.		
$\cancel{E}_T > 100\text{GeV}$	19.04	9.99	5.40	2.94	0.91	0.30	1312.74	0.35		
$m_{T2}^{\ell\ell} > 100$ GeV	6.05	4.30	2.70	1.65	0.56	0.20	0.65	0.09	5.8	16
$m_{T2}^{\ell\ell} > 150$ GeV	0.81	1.21	1.06	0.81	0.34	0.14	0.00	0.02	60	27

# Summary

**HEPTopTagger** available on <http://www.thphys.uni-heidelberg.de/~plehn/>

- moderate  $p_T$  tops ( $> 200\text{GeV}$ )  $\rightarrow$  testable in SM
- fat jets kill combinatorics
- jet substructure
  - thrown information  $\rightarrow$  use all available information
- momentum well reconstructed
- general idea: tops at LHC identified just like bottoms

## Applications

- stop pairs at 14 TeV (2 boosted tops)  
 $S/B \sim 1$  (hadronic),  $S/B \sim 2$  (semi-leptonic), with  $S/\sqrt{B} > 5$
- $A_{FB}^t$  at 14 TeV
  - SM:  $5\sigma$  with  $60\text{fb}^{-1}$
  - BSM:  $5\sigma$  with  $2\text{fb}^{-1}$  ( $2.8\sigma$  at 7TeV with  $10\text{fb}^{-1}$ )
- stop pairs at 8 TeV with  $10\text{fb}^{-1}$ 
  - hadronic:  $S/B \sim 1, S/\sqrt{B} \sim 1.5$
  - semi-leptonic:  $S/B \sim 4, S/\sqrt{B} \sim 7$
  - di-leptonic:  $S/B \sim 6, S/\sqrt{B} \sim 16$