Top quarks and search for New Physics

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Heavy flavor in top events
Heavy resonances
SUSY and 4th generation
Boosted topology
Same sign

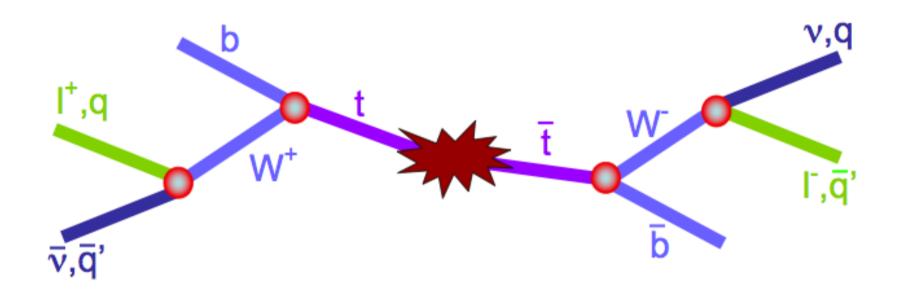
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- Search for ttbar resonances, same-sign, boosted tops

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will use c=1

Interesting physics with Top quark



PRODUCTION

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Cross section Resonances X→tt Fourth generation t' Spin-correlations New physics (SUSY) Flavour physics (FCNC)

PROPERTIES

Mass Kinematics Charge Lifetime and width W helicity Spin

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DECAY

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Branching ratios Charged Higgs (non-SM) Anomalous couplings Rare decays CKM matrix elements Calibration sample @LHC



Top decays

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top decay t→Wb, but really 100%?

Indirect measurement using the CKM matrix:

- Elements $|V_{ub}|$ and $|V_{cb}|\,$ measured to be very small from decay of B mesons
- Unitarity and only three generations implies |V_{tb}| is 0.998 @ 90% CL

With top quark samples we can measure it directly as "R":

$$R = \frac{BR(t \rightarrow Wb)}{BR(t \rightarrow Wq)} = \frac{|V_{tb}|^2}{|V_{td}|^2 + |V_{ts}|^2 + |V_{tb}|^2} \quad \text{where } q = \{d, s, b\}$$

Use the ability to identify jets with a distinguished secondary vertex: b-tagging \bullet The number of b-tagged jets depends strongly on R and b-tagging efficiency ϵ_{b}

We classify the ttbar sample based on the number of b-tagged jets

• The relative rates of events with 0/1/2 b-tags is very sensitive to R

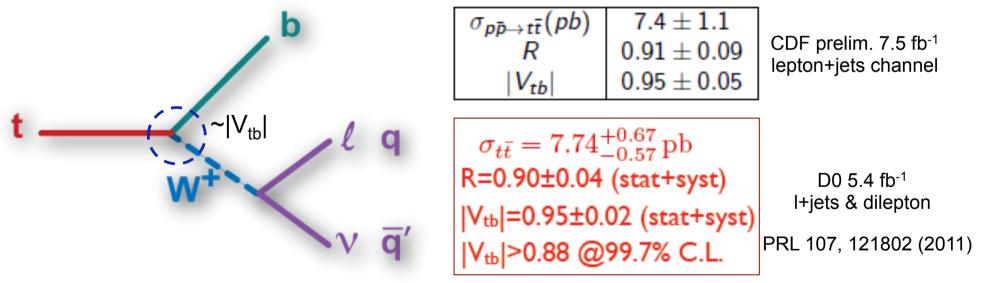


Is BR(t→Wb)~100% ?

• In the SM, R=
$$\frac{BR(t \rightarrow Wb)}{BR(t \rightarrow Wq)} \approx |V_{tb}|^2$$
 0.9980

- measure R by comparing the number of ttbar events with 0, 1 and 2 b-tags
- SM: R=1 constrained by CKM unitarity. R<1 could indicate new physics (e.g. 4th generation hep/ph-0607115)

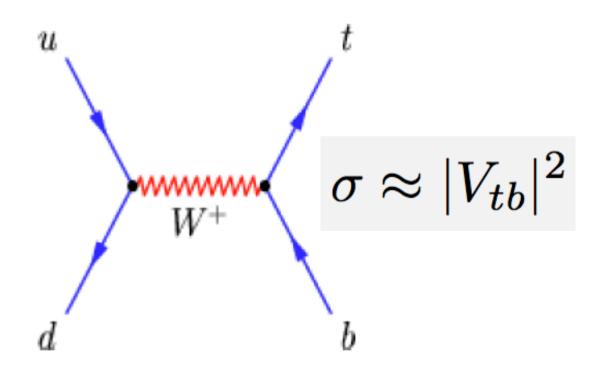
Measure R simultaneously with ttbar cross section:



Not yet sensitive to SM

Measure of V_{tb}

- Measurement with the single top production final state
- direct measure of |Vtb|
- sensitive to non-SM phenomena (W', FCNC)

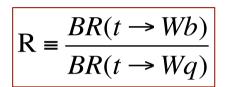


Measure R in dilepton channel

- Probe heavy flavor content of ttbar events
- Use ttbar dilepton final state
- Advantages:
 - less background
- Disadvantages:
 - lower statistics
 - jet assignment

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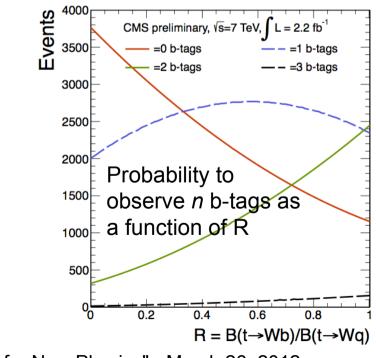


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- Selection:
 - 2 leptons+ ≥2 jets + MET
 - no b-tagging in preselection

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- Clean signature
- Goals:
 - measure $\epsilon(b)$ and R



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Events b-tag jet multiplicity 10³ 10² - data QCD If dileptons Z/γ +jets--W+jets Single top Di-bosons 1.5 3.5 0.5 2 2.5 3 b-tag multiplicity (TCHEL) Obs/Ref

1.5

2.5

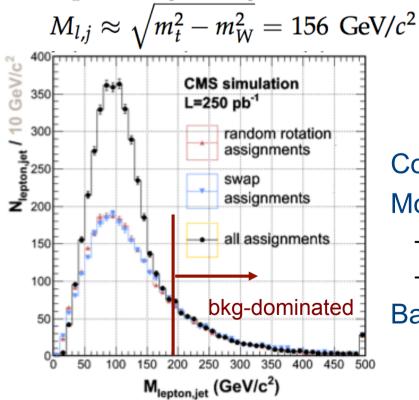
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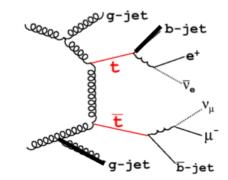
How to model the background

Events are classified in 3 cases (weight α):

- 1) 2 correctly assigned b-jet
- 2) 1 corr. ass. b-jet
- 3) 0 corr. ass. b-jet



1 reconstructed b-jet (α₁)



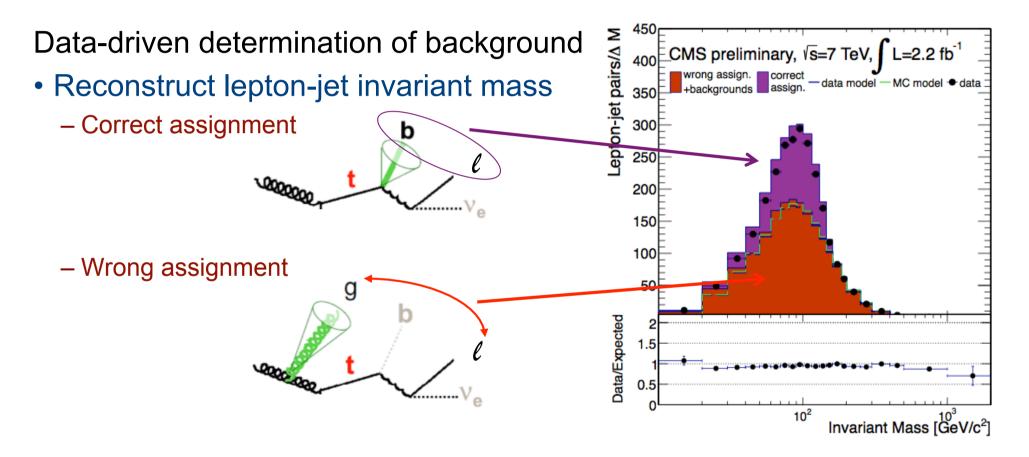
Compute invariant mass of all lepton-jet pairs Model background using:

- jets from different events
- rotate lepton direction

Background dominates at M>M_{cut}

Signal or background?

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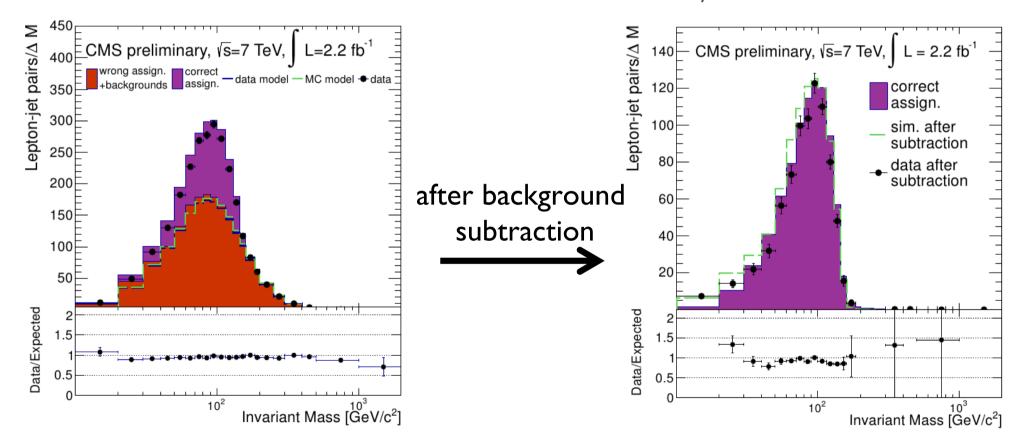


• Use tail to model background in signal region

Signal or background

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Scale shape to match spectrum observed with M_{li} >180 GeV



Heavy flavor content

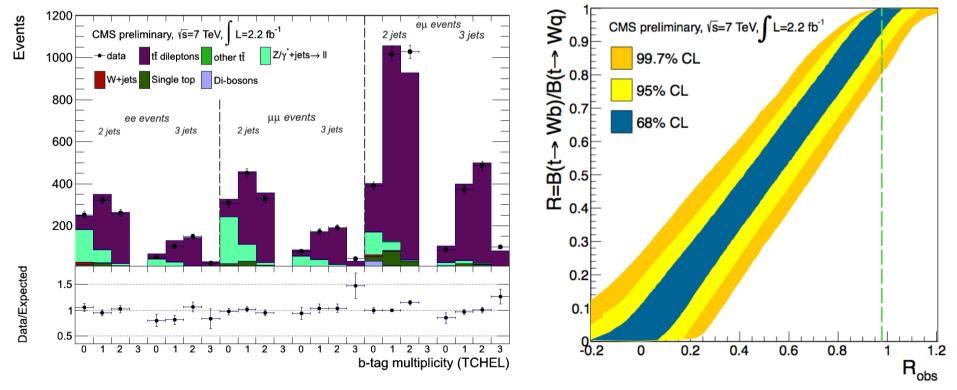
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• Fully data-driven measurement

- b-tagging multiplicity parametrized as function of R ε_{b} , ε_{a} , top contribution
- Number of reconstructed t \rightarrow Wq is estimated from lepton-jet invariant mass

• R=0.98±0.04 (stat.⊕ syst.)

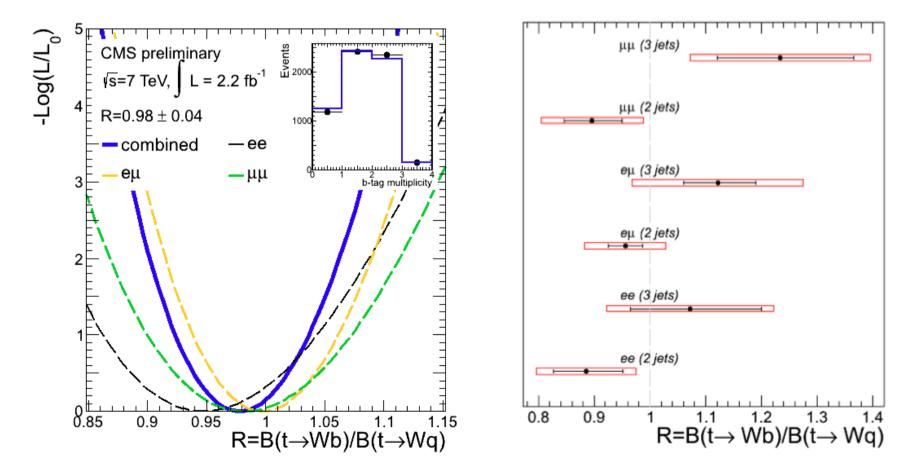
– Lower boundary with confidence interval @95%CL after requiring R \leq 1 \Rightarrow R>0.85



Measure R

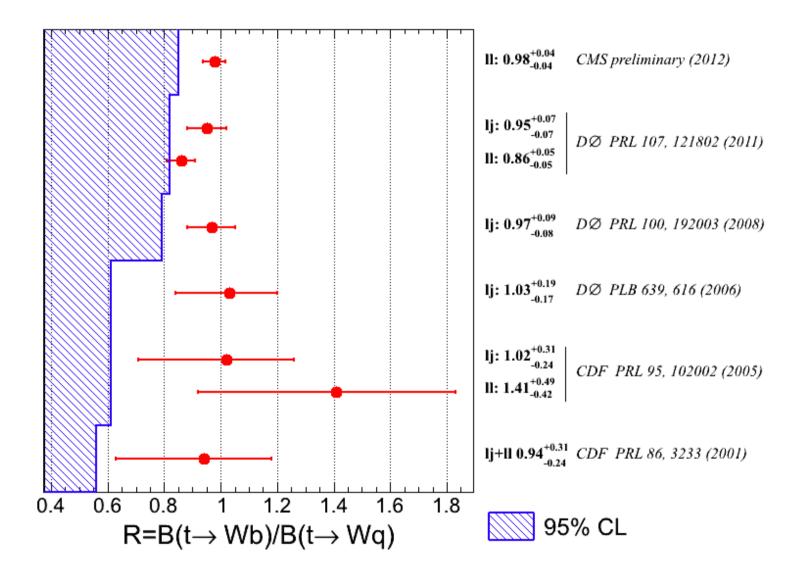
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- Variation of the likelihood used to measure R from data
- Fit different categories



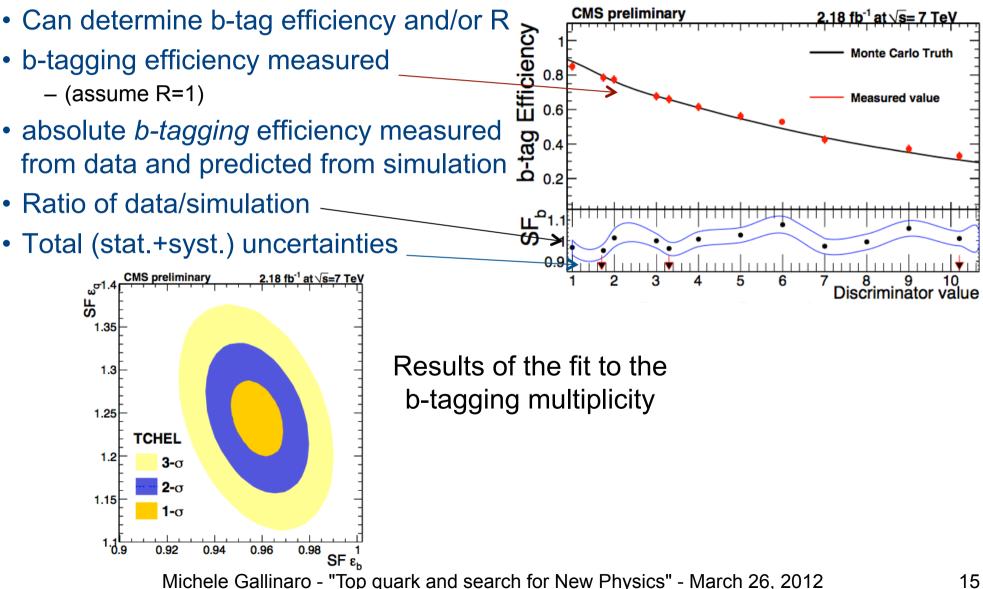
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Summary of R results



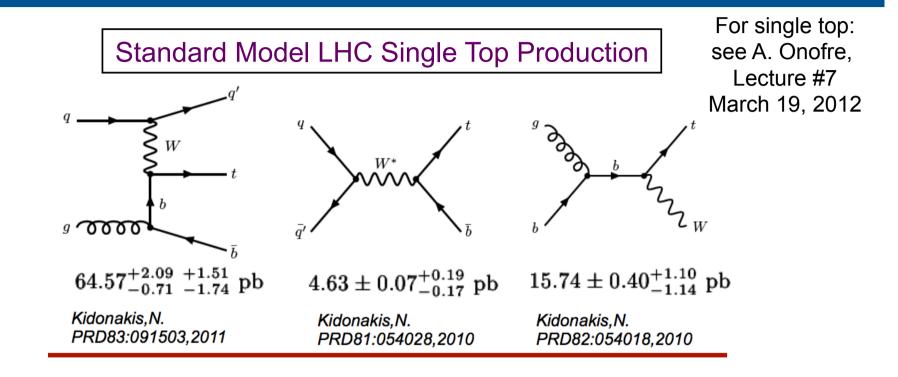
b-tagging efficiency

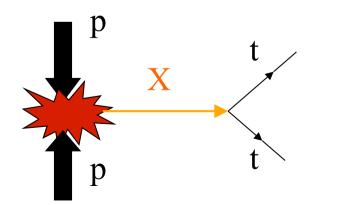
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How else is top produced?

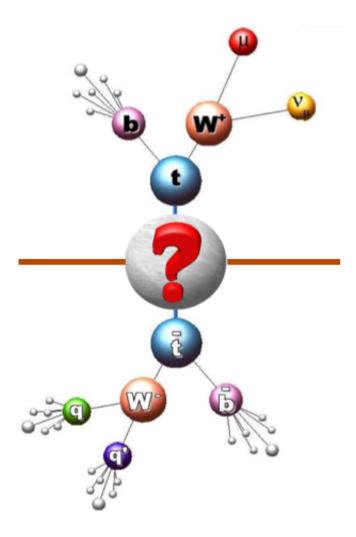




Resonance Production? Top Color-Assisted Technicolor OR ?????

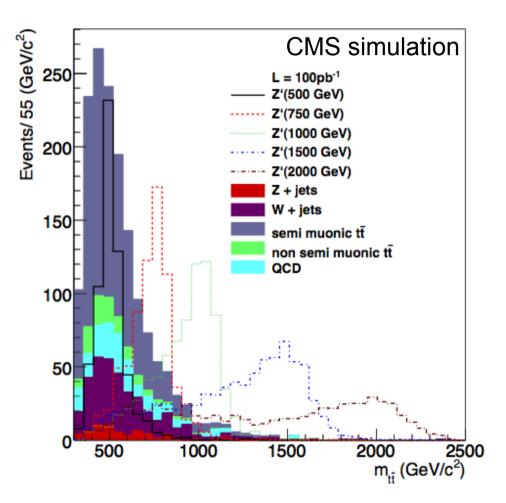
Top quark pair resonance

- No resonance expected in SM
- Why is Top so heavy?
 - new physics?
 - is third generation 'special'?
 - couples predominantly to third generation quarks
- Top is relatively unknown experimentally
- Experimental check
 - search for a bump in the invariant mass spectrum



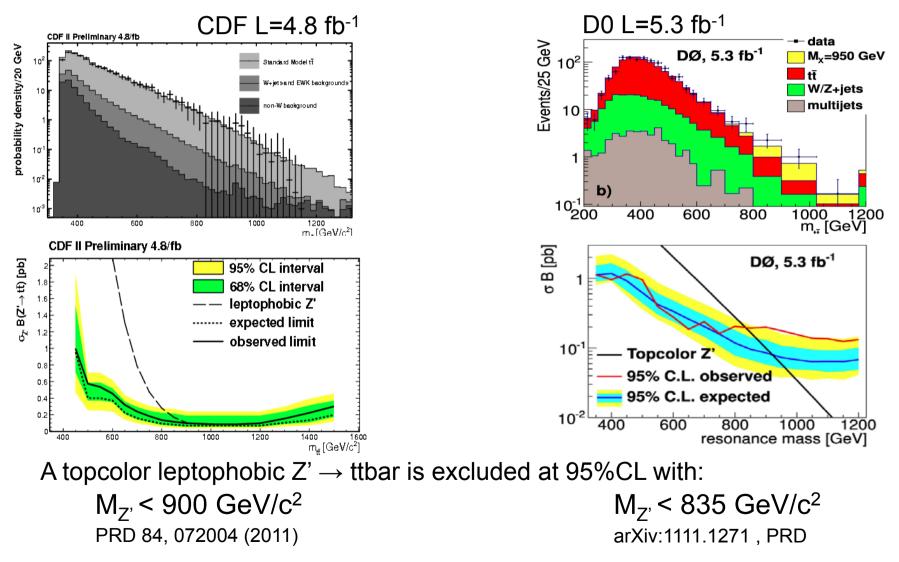
Search for resonances

- Semi-leptonic (muon+jets) channel
- Z' →ttbar cross section normalized to SM ttbar
- Progressive loss in reconstruction ability due to jet merging



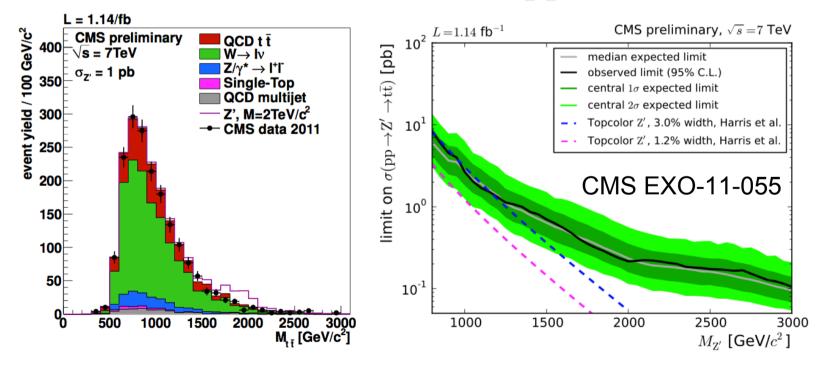
Search for resonance $X \rightarrow ttbar$

Look at the M_{ttbar} spectrum in the lepton+jets final state, to see any deviation over SM



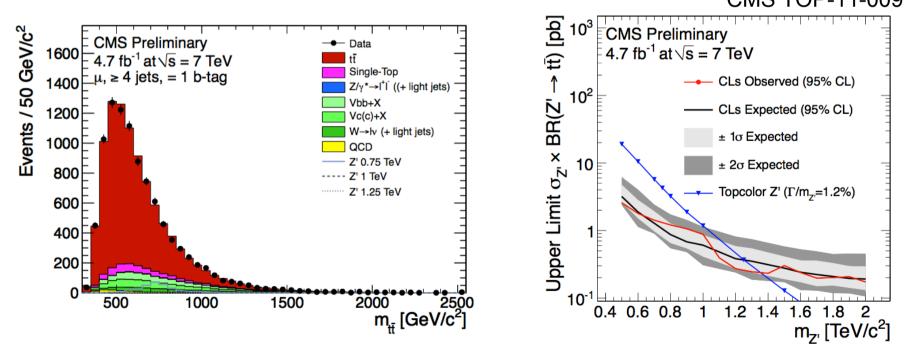
Search for heavy resonances

- search for narrow heavy resonances decaying to top quark pairs
- Use muon+jet final state
- Look for narrowly collimated decay products
- Reconstruct ttbar invariant mass
- Set limits on Z' production cross section $\sigma(pp \rightarrow Z' \rightarrow t\bar{t})$



Search for heavy resonances

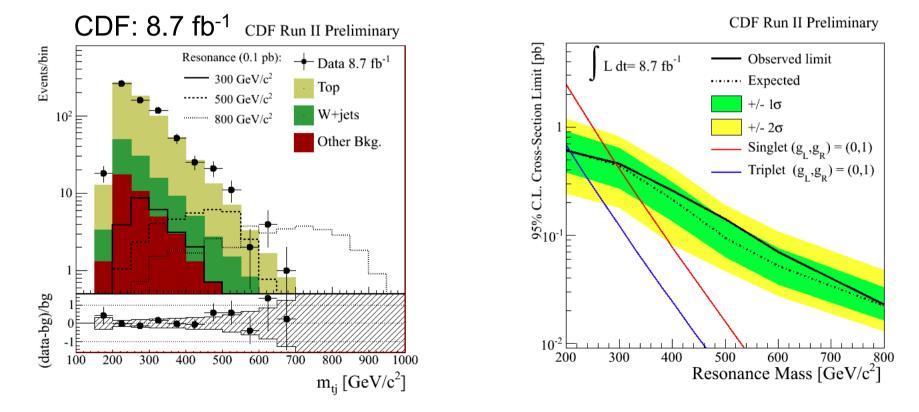
- search for massive neutral bosons decaying via a ttbar quark pair
- Use lepton+jet final state (electron and muon)
- Reconstruct M_{ttbar} in different categories (e/ μ , *n*-jets, *n* b-tags)
- Model background
- Set limits: leptophobic topcolor Z' with width much less than the detector resolution excluded for masses below 1.3 TeV CMS TOP-11-009



Search for ttbar+jet resonance

- Search for a heavy new particle M produced in association with a top quark:
 - $p\bar{p} \rightarrow Mt \rightarrow \bar{t}qt$

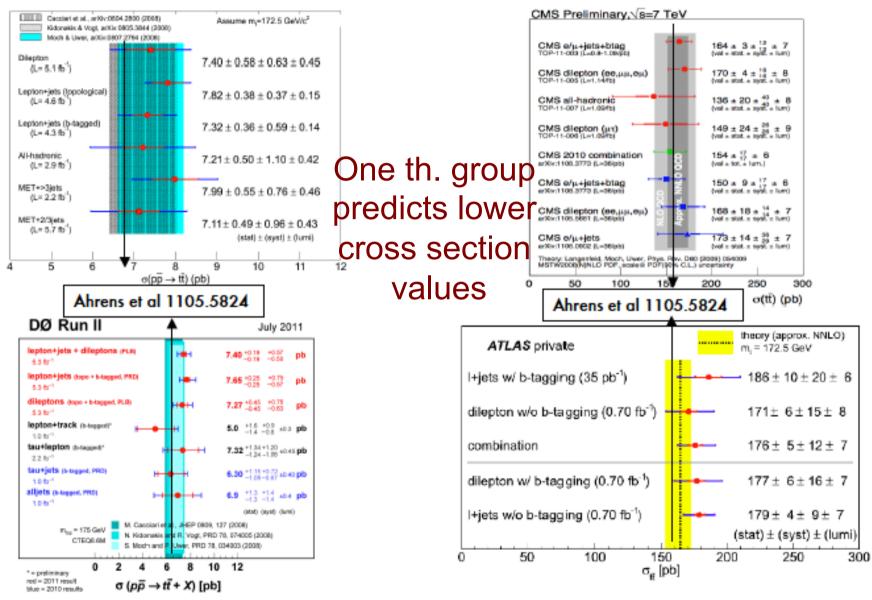
- Resonance in the system t+jets ot ttbar+jets
- Select events in lepton+jets channel with at least 5 jets and 1 b-tag



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SUSY and 4th generation

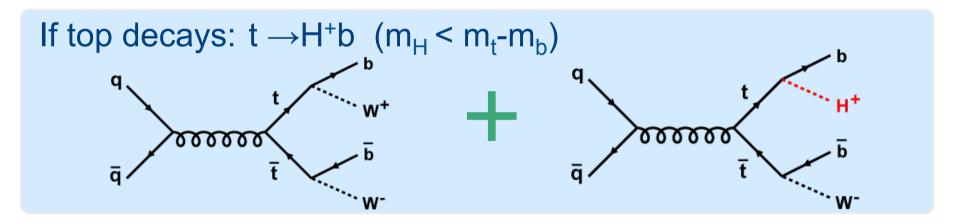
Cross section measurements



Charged Higgs

CMS HIG-11-019

This study focuses on the mass range $100 \le H^+ \le 160 \text{ GeV}/c^2$, where we may observe an anomalous excess of events in the τ dilepton channel when compared to the SM decay of $t\bar{t} \rightarrow W^+W^-b\bar{b} \rightarrow \tau\nu_{\tau}l\nu_lb\bar{b}$, $l = e, \mu$.

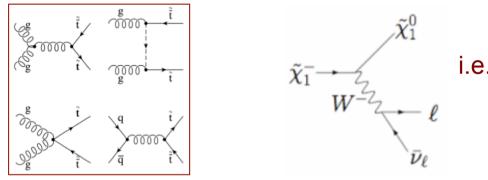


Implies a larger measured cross section (see MG, Lecture #6)

 \Rightarrow probe non-standard physics (t \rightarrow H[±]b, ...)

Scalar top quark

- SUSY is one plausible extension of the SM
- due to the heavy top quark, mass splitting between \tilde{t}_1 and \tilde{t}_2 can be large, such that the lighter stop \tilde{t}_1 can be even lighter than the top quark
- Decays dictated by mass spectrum of other SUSY particles



i.e. similar signature as in ttbar

• Light stop:

$$m_{ ilde{t}_1} \lesssim m_t \quad ilde{t}_1 o b + ilde{\chi}_1^\pm o b + ilde{\chi}_1^0 +
u + \ell$$

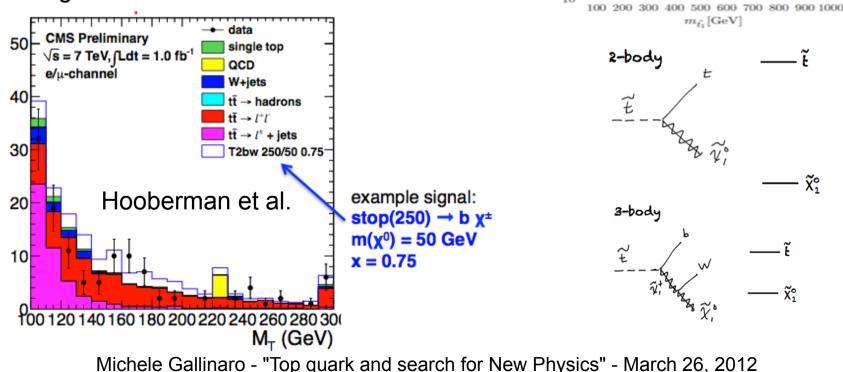
• Heavy stop:

 $\tilde{t} \to t \tilde{\chi}^0$

SUSY: search for scalar top

 $\widetilde{t}\widetilde{t} \rightarrow t\overline{t} \chi^0 \chi^0 \qquad \widetilde{t}\widetilde{t} \rightarrow b\overline{b} \chi^+ \chi^- \rightarrow b\overline{b} W^+ W^- \chi^0 \chi^0$

- Status:
 - Final state: both dileptons and 1lepton+MET
 +2jets+2b jets
 - limitations due to small xsec, large ttbar background



 $\sigma(pp \rightarrow \tilde{t}_1 \tilde{t}_1 + X)$ [pb]

arxiv:1006.4771

 10^{2}

 10^{1}

 10^{0}

 10^{-1} 10^{-2}

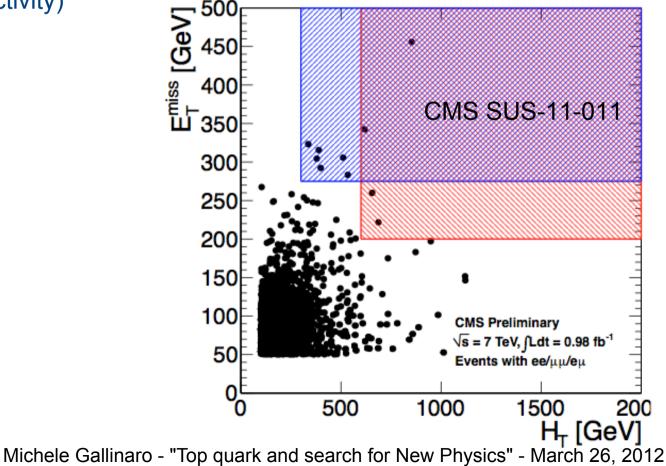
 10^{-3}

 $= 7 \,\mathrm{TeV}$

One example: dilepton sample

Define signal region: look for possible contributions of NP in dilepton sample

- Astrophysical evidence for dark matter suggests it may lie in high MET region
- New physics signals should have large sqrt(s)
- New physics with large cross section should be produced strongly (i.e. large hadronic activity)



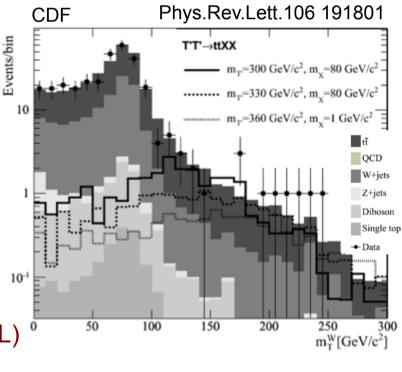
Stop quark: lepton+jets

- Investigate same signature in the context of a vector-like top partner, decaying to top plus dark matter candidate
 - search for new particle T' decaying via $T' \rightarrow t + X$ (X invisible)
 - interpret results in terms of a model where T' are exotic fourth generation quarks and X are dark matter particles
- Kinematics similar to SUSY stop scenario
- Study lepton+jets+MET+btag

$$m_T^W \equiv m_T(E_T^\ell, E_T) = \sqrt{2|E_T^\ell||E_T|(1 - \cos(\Delta\phi(E_T^\ell, E_T))))}$$

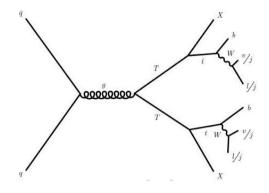


 Exclude 4th generation exotic quarks T ′ (95% CL) up to m_T =360 GeV for m_x ≤100 GeV $\begin{array}{c} & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\$

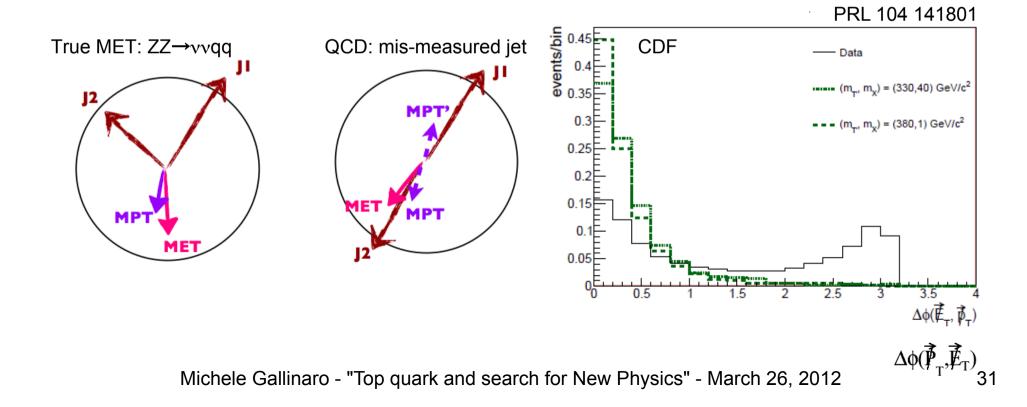


Stop quark: all-hadronic

- signature in the context of a vector-like top partner, decaying to top plus dark matter candidate
- Kinematics similar to SUSY $t{\rightarrow} t\chi^0$ scenario
- Signature: MET+jets

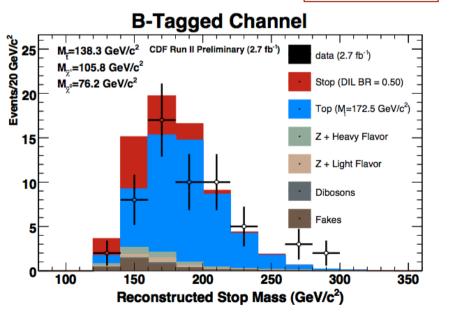


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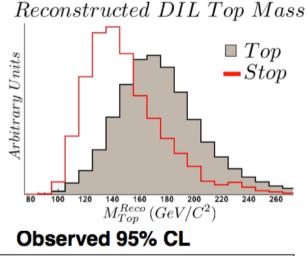


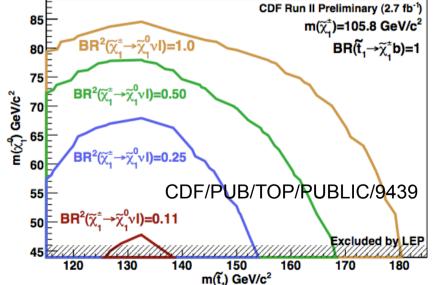
Scalar top quark

- Similar event signature as ttbar dilepton final state
- Reconstruct events under stop hypothesis
- Stop mass as discriminating variable in fit to data
 - Use two categories: with b-tag and without b-tags
 - Results consistent with SM predictions
- Set 95%CL limit in dilepton BR, in 3D space of SUSY particle masses $[\tilde{t}_1, \tilde{\chi}_1^{\pm}, \tilde{\chi}_1^0]$



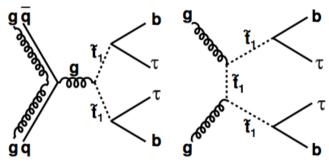
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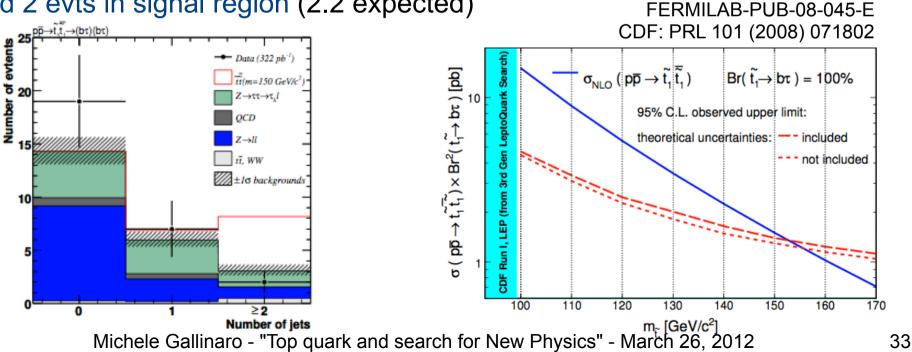




Taus

- Assume each stop decays to tau and b (R-parity violation)
 - $\tilde{t}_1 \bar{\tilde{t}}_1 \rightarrow \tau^+ \tau^- b \bar{b}$
- Similar final state as in ttbar dilepton with taus
- Look for $e/\mu + \ge 2$ jets + MET
- Define 6 regions in: $m_T(I,MET)$ vs N_{jet} plane
- Find 2 evts in signal region (2.2 expected)



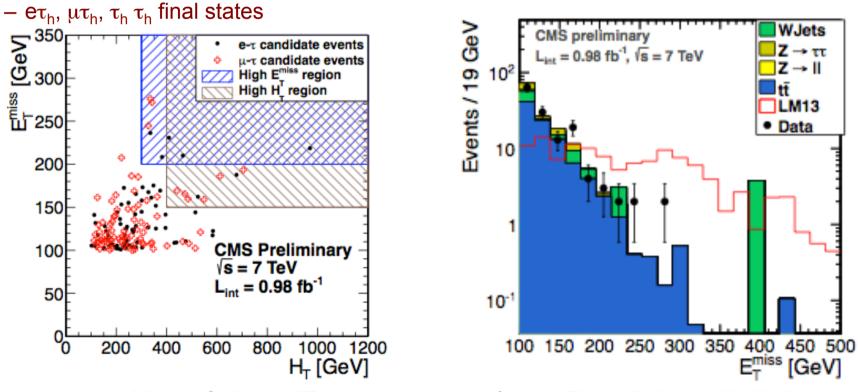


Search for Dark Matter with taus

search concentrates on heavy BSM particle production

CMS SUS-11-007

- astrophysical evidence for dark matter points to the existence of weakly-interacting massive particles (WIMPs) at EWSB scale
- These particles escape detection \Rightarrow large MET
- Not constrained to a specific theory
 - general BSM search in events with jets, MET, and OS dileptons (at least one tau)



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4th generation searches

Search for 4th generation quarks

- T (or t') and B (or b')
- Pair production or single production
- Mechanism and cross section depend on nature of quarks (vector-like, scalar, charge)

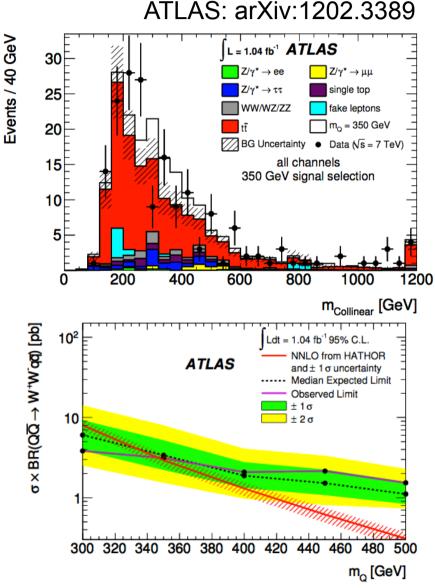
Final state is complex

Search for heavy quarks

Search for heavy quark (q=u,d,c,s,b):

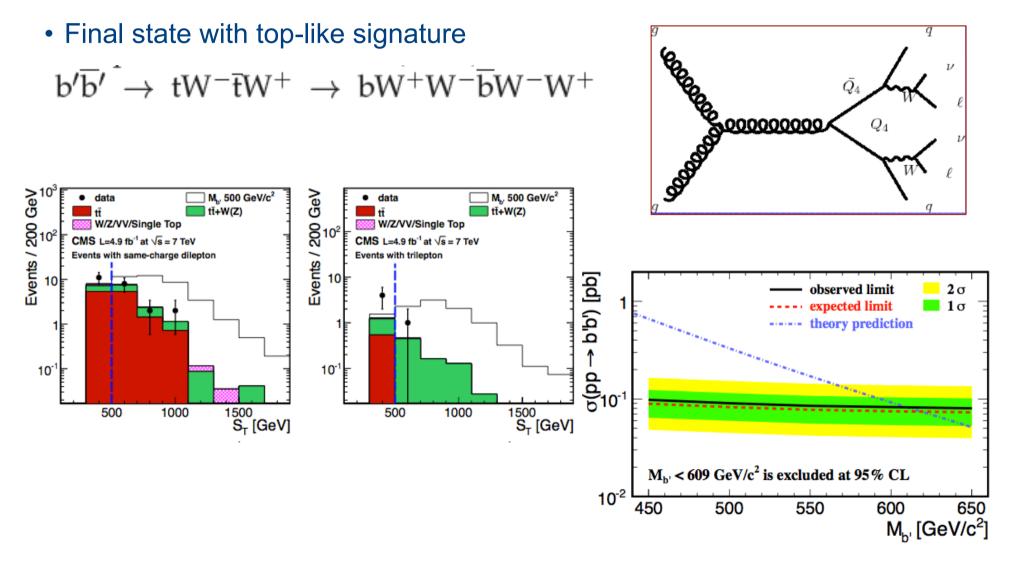
 $Q\bar{Q} \to W^+ q W^- \bar{q}$

- Use dilepton channel
 - Select events with 2 leptons, MET, \geq 2 jets
- Reconstruct "top" mass
- Use W collinear approximation for neutrinos
- Set limits: M_Q>350 GeV @95% CL



Search for b' production

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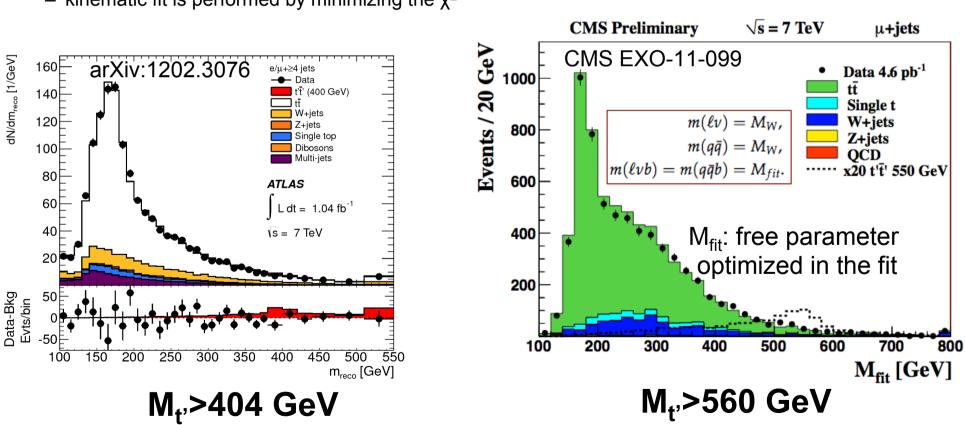


Heavy t': lepton+jets

- Search for the pair production of a 4th generation up-type t' quark
- Study lepton+jets (at least 1 b-tag)
 - Largest background is from ttbar
- Reconstruct t' mass

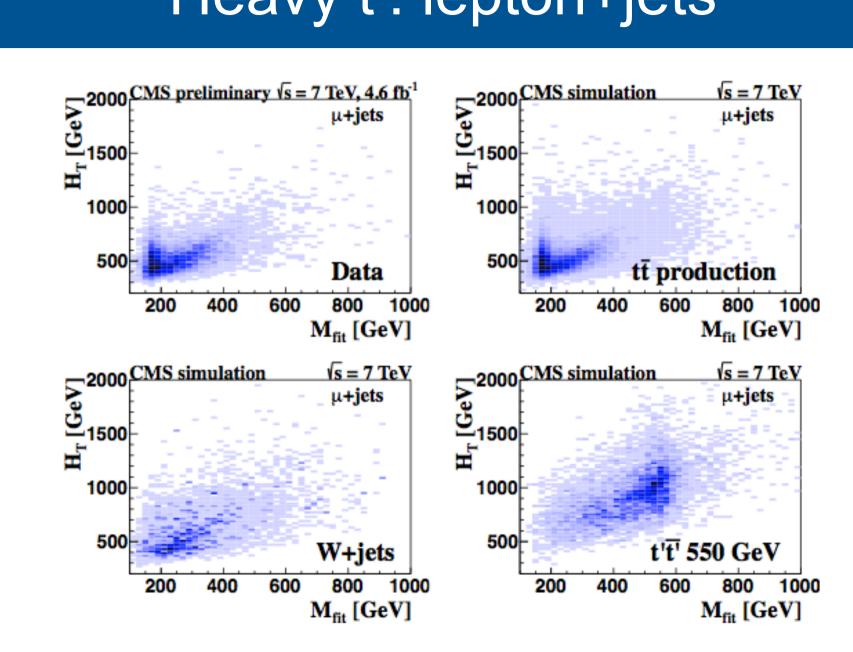
dN/dm_{reco} [1/GeV]

- kinematic fit is performed by minimizing the χ^2



 $\rightarrow WbW\bar{b}$

Heavy t': lepton+jets

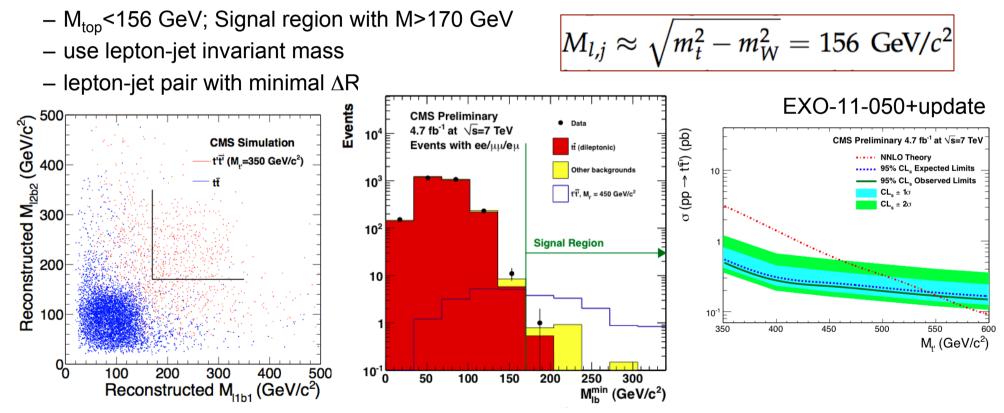


Heavy t': dileptons

• Search for heavy t' quark in **dilepton** final state

$$t'\bar{t'} \rightarrow bW^+\bar{b}W^- \rightarrow b\ell^+\nu \,\bar{b}\ell^-\bar{\nu}$$

use variables related to the quark mass to distinguish signal from bkg



⇒observed (expected) 95% C.L. lower bounds on t' mass 557 (547) GeV

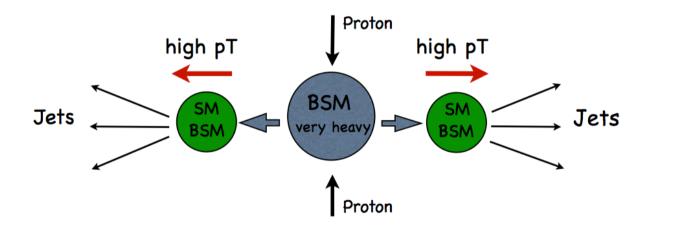
Boosted topology

Boosted topology

• In many models there is high potential to discover new physics in the top sector in search for heavy resonances

$$pp \to X \to t\bar{t}$$

• Simple approach to merge neighboring jets



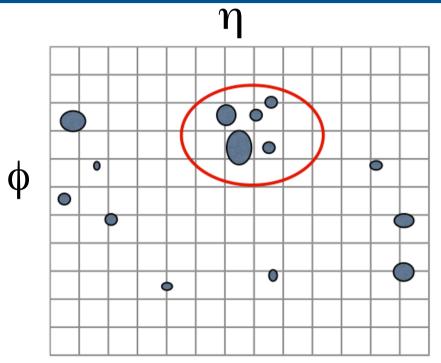
- At LHC energy, EWK scale particles produced beyond threshold
- Jets are highly collimated
- Jet-parton matching breaks down
- Decay products and FSR collected in a fat jet

Merged let

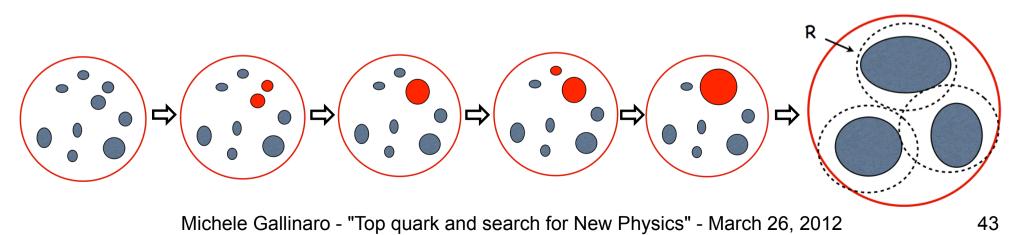
Mass jet $\sim M_{top}$

Jet/Event selection

- Locate hadronic energy deposit in detector by choosing initial jet finding algorithm
- Impose jet selection cuts on fat jet
 - Recombine jet constituents with new algorithm
 - Filtering: recombine n sub-jets min d(i,j)
 - Trimming: recombine sub-jets with min p_T
- Minimum distance between jets is R

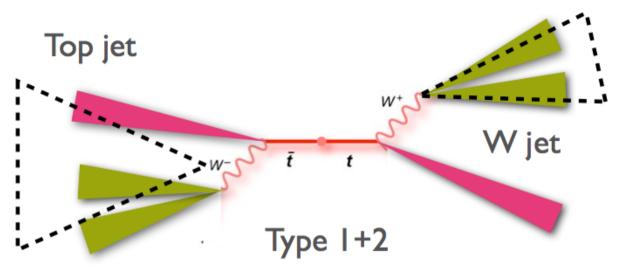


UE, ISR, Pile-up, hard interaction



Boosted top topology

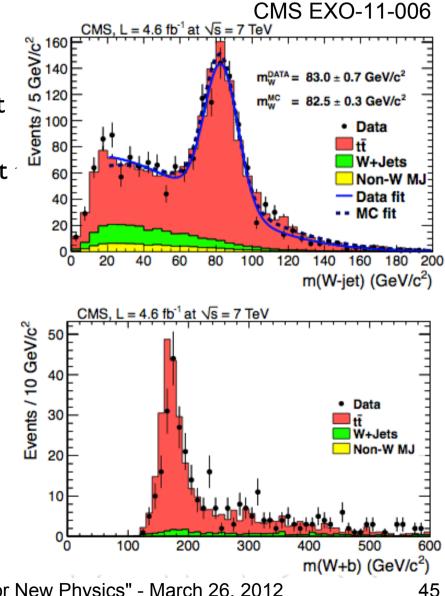
- Highly boosted top: three hadronic decays of the top are merged in one top jet
- Moderately boosted top: three hadronic decays of the top are merged in one W jet plus and one b jet candidates



Boosted top topology

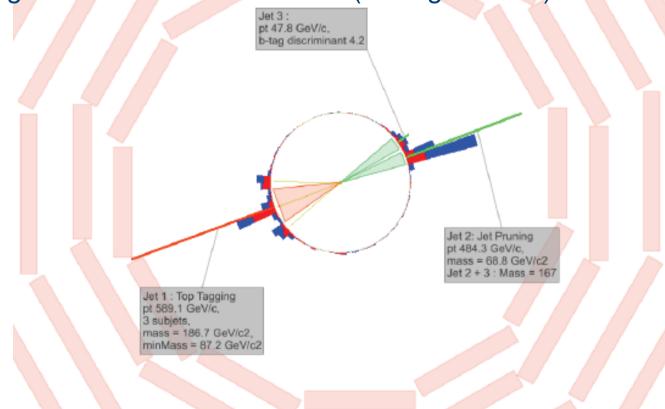
Tested using hadronic top in semilep. tt events:

- One high-pT isolated muon from PV.
- At least two jets p_T >30 GeV with a leading jet p_T >200 GeV and at least one b-tagged jet
- Events with W tagged jets used to reconstruct
 W and the top mass of the hadronic side



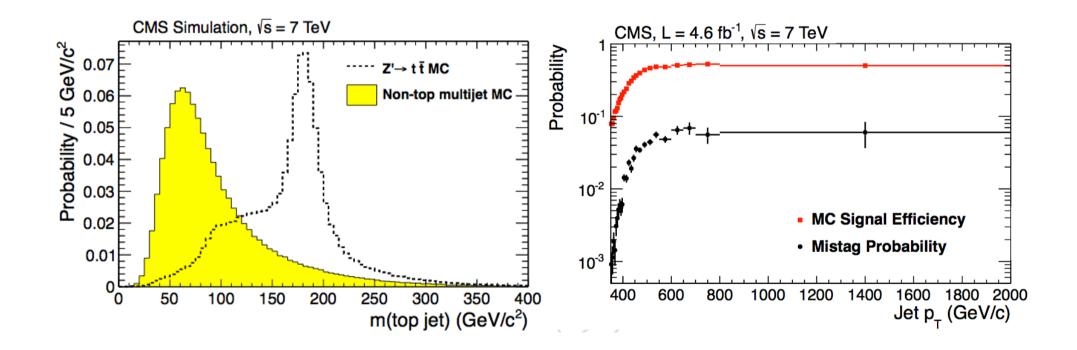
Search for Z': boosted topology

- Search for massive Z' resonance
- Search in the all hadronic decay channel for top quarks
- Top quarks are boosted for high mass Z', jets merge
- Start from jet algorithm, then find jet sub-structure
- QCD background estimated from data (mistag method)



Efficiency/Mis-tag probability

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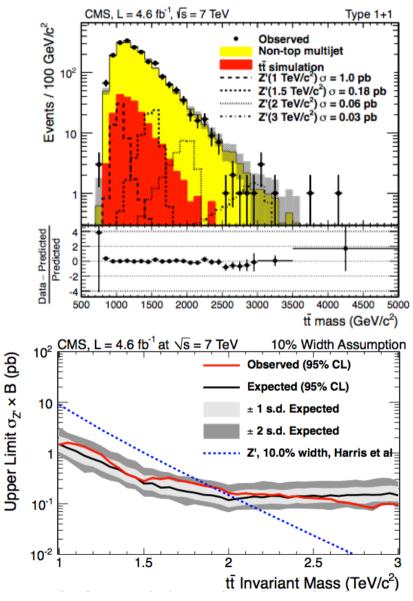


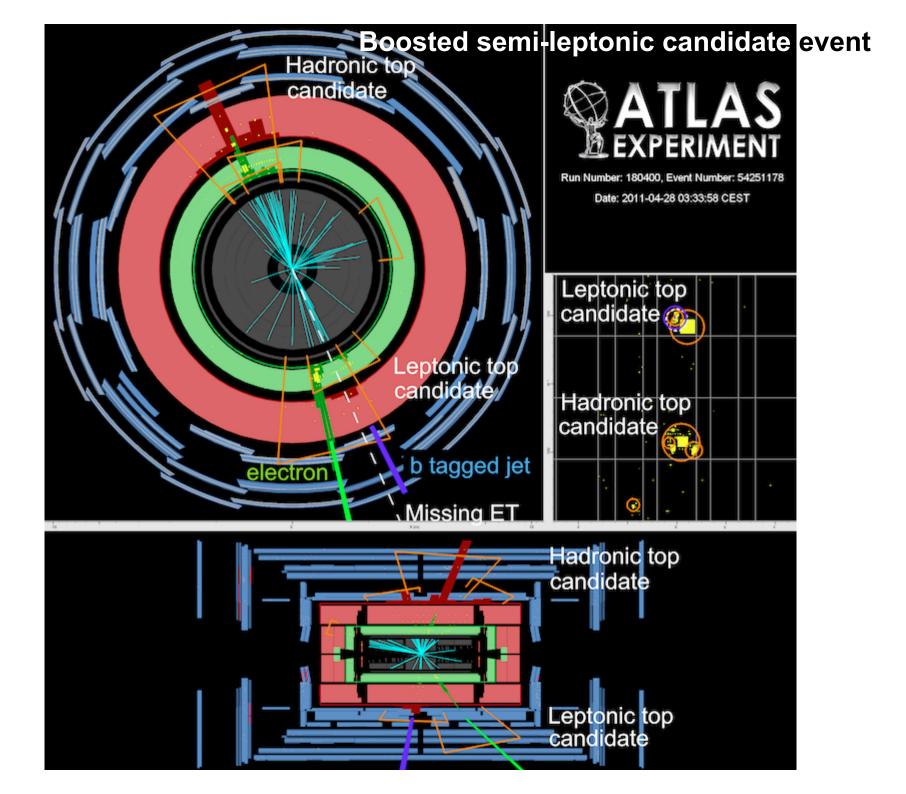
Search for Z': boosted topology

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Massive Z' resonances

- -produce highly Lorentz-boosted top quarks
- collimated decay products partially/fully merged into single jets
- Two categories of events
- 1+1 channel comprises di-jet events in which each jet corresponds to a fully merged top candidate
- 1+2 channel comprises tri-jet events, with a Type-1 top-quark candidate in one hemisphere, and at least two jets in the other, one being a jet from a b quark no b-tag is applied) and the other a merged jet from a W
- Set upper limits on Z' production: ~1pb





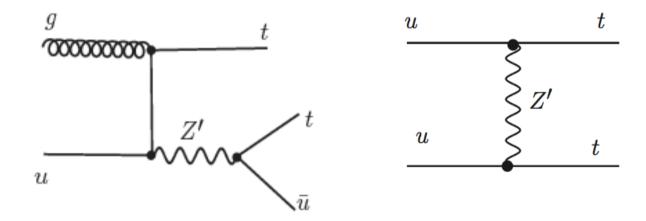
Same sign and multi-top

Same sign dileptons

- search for anomalous production of events with two like-sign isolated leptons (e or μ), b-quark jets, and missing energy
- SM sources with two isolated like-sign leptons, jets, and missing energy are rare. Anomalous production of such events would be an indication of new physics
- SUSY models predict presence of 2 to 4 b-quark jets in such events
- fraction of strongly produced SUSY events with top and bottom quarks in the final states is enhanced

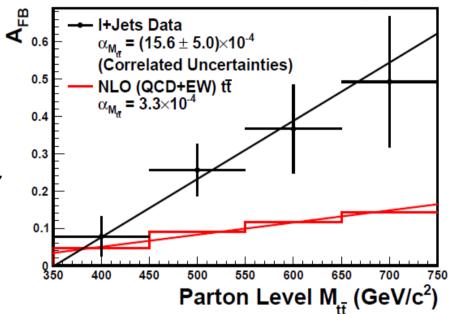
Same sign top production

- FCNC in top sector could explain A_{FB} at Tevatron
- t-channel exchange of Z' coupling to u and t
- Would manifest as same-sign top pair production



Same sign top production

- Measurements of forward-backward asymmetry A_{FB} in ttbar production at the Tevatron inconsistent (?) with SM
- A_{FB} increases with invariant mass of ttbar system
 - at high (>450 GeV) invariant mass: A_{FB} =0.30±0.07
- Many attempts to explain A_{FB} invoke FCNC mediated by massive Z' boson
- Z' exchange would create a high inv. mass asymmetry at the Tevatron
- \Rightarrow Search for same sign tops in data
 - Berger et al. (arXiv:1101.5625)

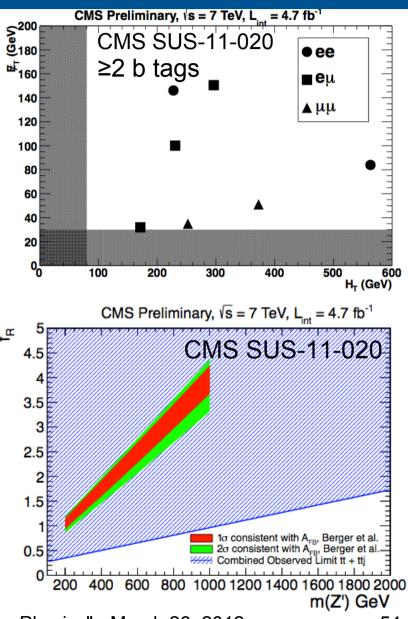


CDF Run II Preliminary L = 8.7 fb⁻¹

Same sign events

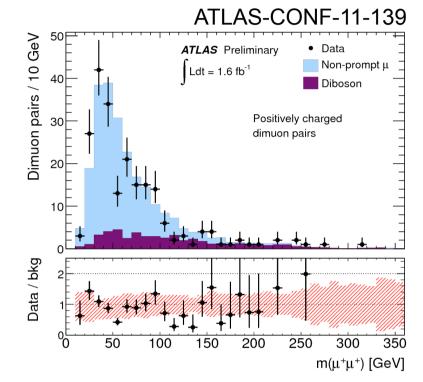
CMS EXO-11-065, SUS-11-020

- Similar event selection as in ttbar, except same-sign leptons
- Use sum of jet $p_T (H_T)$ and MET
- 7 events are selected in the data
- All main backgrounds data-driven
 - Background dominated by jets faking leptons
 - ttbar lepton+jets with one fake lepton
 - Mis-measured charge in dilepton (DY/ttbar)
- Set exclusion limits
- This FCNC Z' production limit inconsistent with Tevatron FB asymmetry
- provide constraints on several models in a topology with 2 like-sign leptons, MET, b-jets
 - like-sign top quarks production in Z' model
 - production of two sbottom quarks



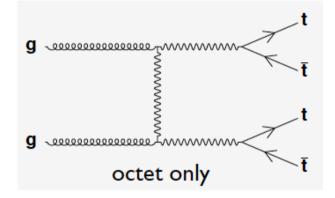
Same sign top production

- ATLAS and CMS have similar strategy
 - Search for SS di-muon pairs (ATLAS)
 - Any SS lepton pair (CMS)
- Limits set on cross section of SS top pairs
 - − CMS, ee,mm,em: σ (Z'→ttX)<17.0 pb (35 pb⁻¹)
 - − ATLAS,mm: σ (Z'→ttX)<2.9–4.0 pb (1.6 fb⁻¹)
- Both experiments disfavour the Z' model as explanation to Tevatron asymmetry A_{FB}



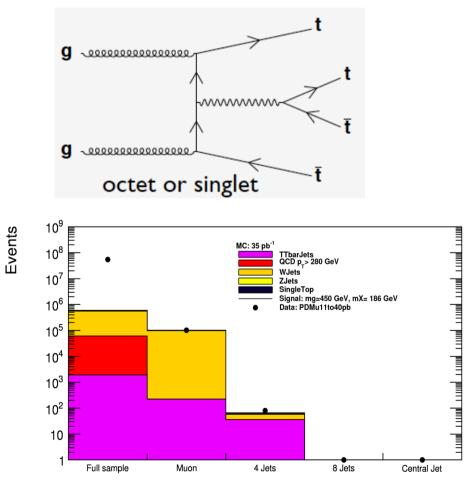
Multi-top production

- Production of 4 tops is an attractive scenario in a number of new physics models (SUSY, compositeness, resonances strongly coupled to top, etc.)
- The SM cross section is a few fb



Multi-top in SUSY? $\tilde{g}\tilde{g} \rightarrow t\bar{t}t\bar{t}\chi_0\chi_0$

- Example: require one muon, at least 8 jets (one central)
- Yields in 30 fb⁻¹ (gluino mass 450 GeV)
 - 330 signal events, 120 ttbar+jets, 30 W+jets



Multi-top production

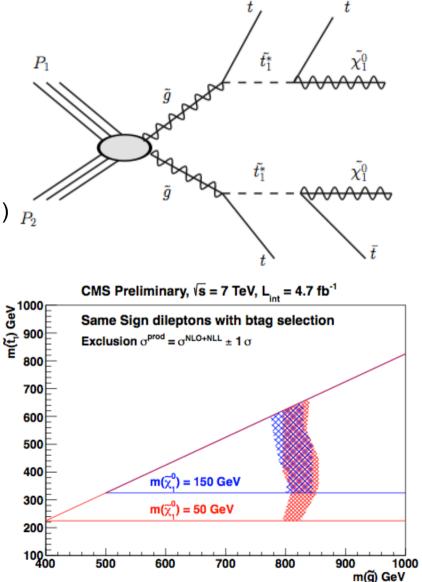
CMS SUS-11-020

- SUSY models with four top quarks
- Consider models of gluino pair production

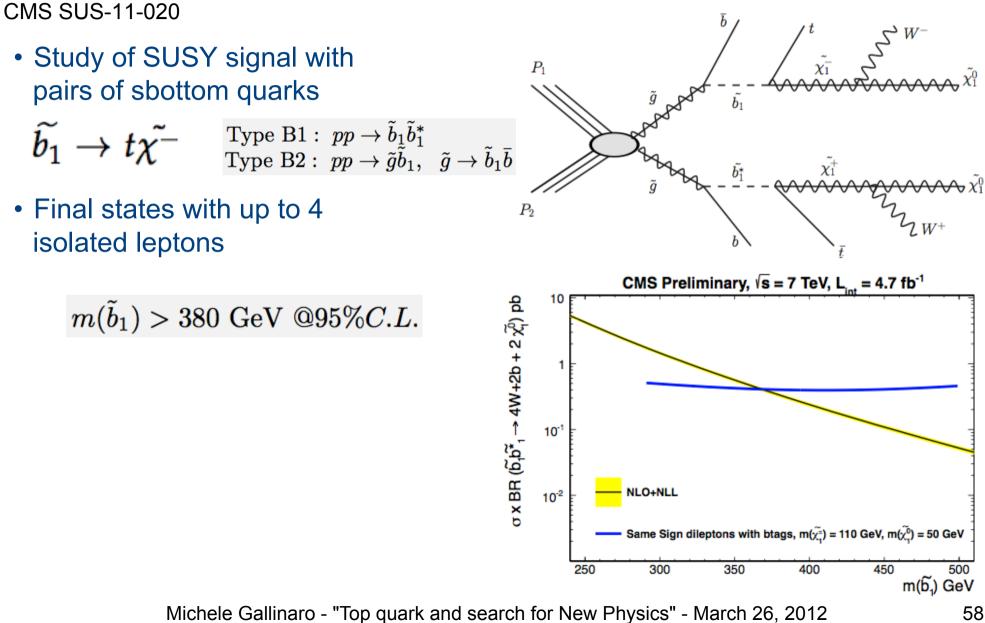
Type A1 : $\tilde{g} \to t\bar{t}\tilde{\chi}_1^0$ Type A2 : $\tilde{g} \to \tilde{t}_1\bar{t}, \quad \tilde{t}_1 \to t\tilde{\chi}_1^0$ (stop on-shell) P_2

• Final state:

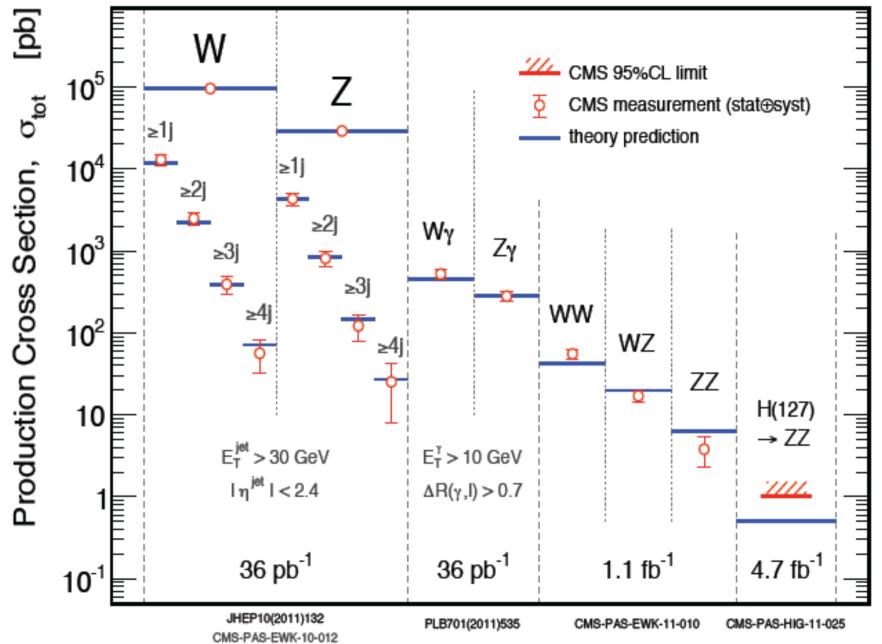
e A2: $g \rightarrow t_1 t$ ite: $t t \bar{t} \bar{t} \tilde{\chi}_1^0 \tilde{\chi}_1^0$



Multi-top production



CMS



Top quark and new physics

- Top quark production is main background in many searches for new physics
- Top quark sample may be contaminated by NP processes
- Is top quark sample compatible with top quark SM hypothesis?
- Need to compare distributions, gain good understanding of top sample

