

# Precision top quark physics at a future linear $e^+e^-$ collider

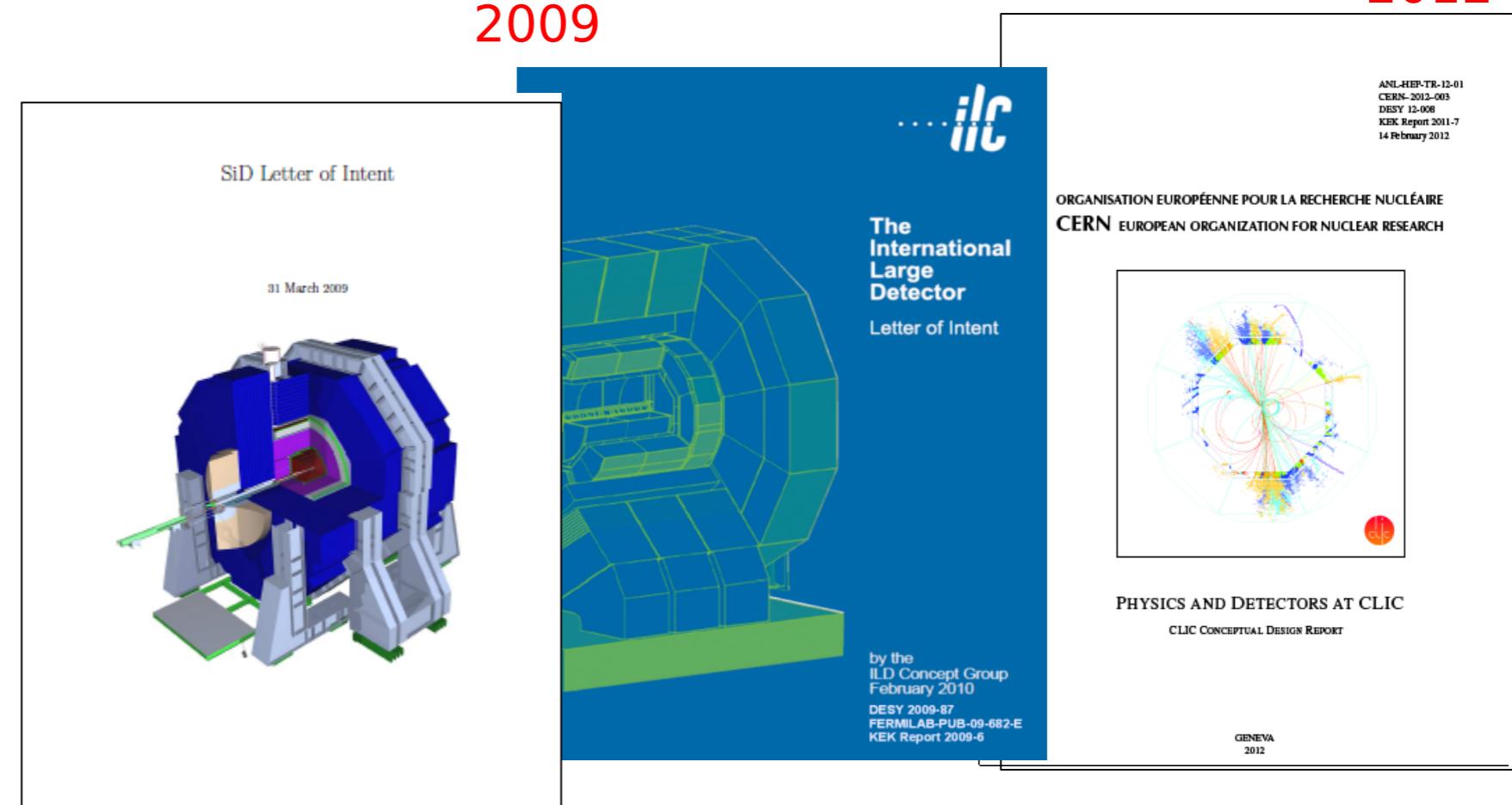
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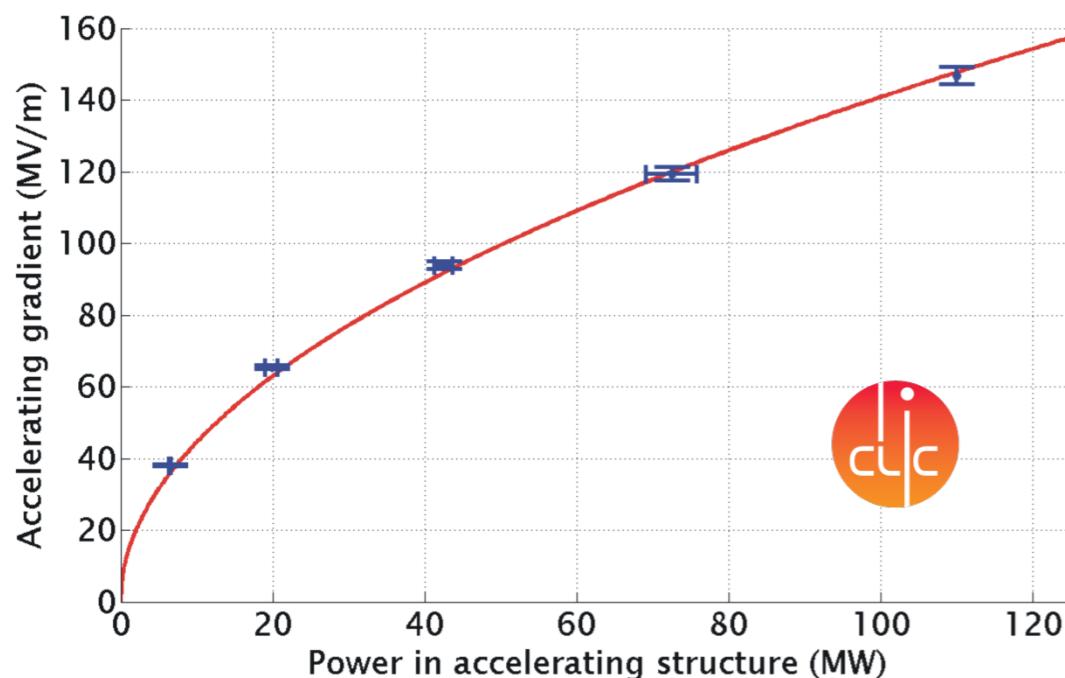


## Reference documents prepared by the LC community:

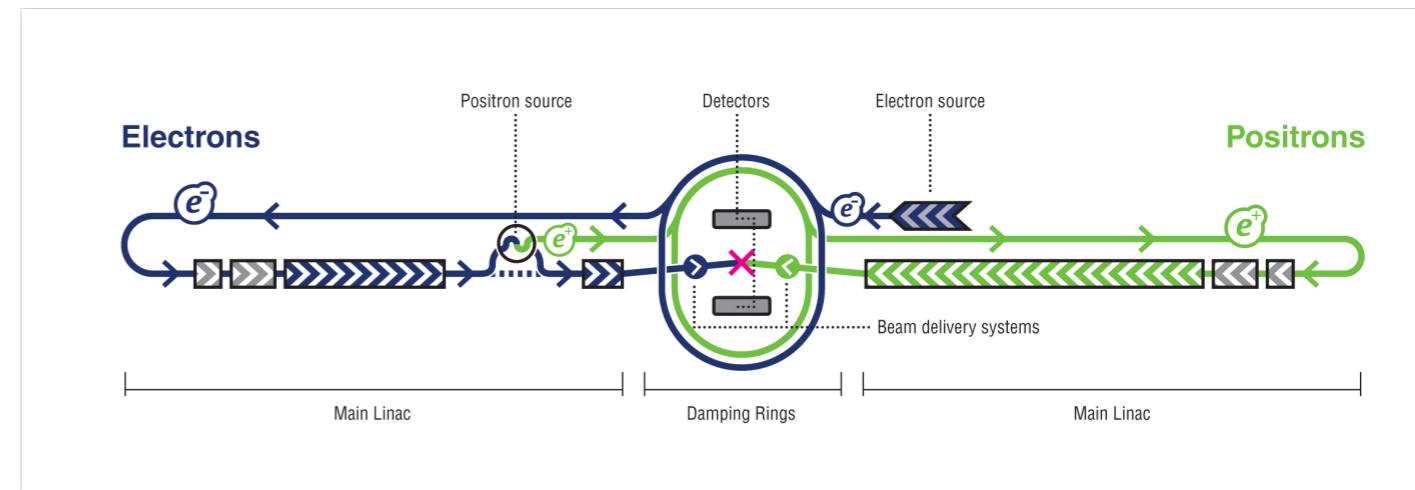
- Tesla TDR (2001) [part III](#) on physics
- 2004 [Report](#) on the complementarity of LC and LHC
- CLIC [physics report](#)
- ILC Reference Design Report (2007): [physics](#) and [detectors](#)
- Letter Of Intent of the ILC experiments (2009) [SiD](#) and [ILD](#)
- Conceptual Design Report (2012) of the [CLIC detectors](#)
- Soon: Detailed Baseline Design for the ILC experiments

# Future $e^+e^-$ colliders

- Superconducting RF cavities are in the industrialization phase and routinely reach gradients well over 30 MV/m. **ILC is shovel-ready.**
- Still higher gradient ( $\sim 100$  MV/m) can be achieved using drive beam concept. **CLIC can open up the multi-TeV regime.**



LC technology exists for a low-energy machine ( $\sqrt{s} \sim 250\text{-}500$  GeV)  
R&D is ongoing for  $\sqrt{s} \sim 1\text{-}3$  TeV



## R&D around the globe

### Non-exhaustive list of test facilities:

ATF@KEK, nm size, low emittance beams  
CESR/IT@Cornell (electron cloud)

[CTF3@CERN](#), drive beam

[XFEL@DESY](#), cavities

### Contributions on 07/07 in TR14:

Steinar Stennes, the CLIC project

Phil Burrows, beam feedback

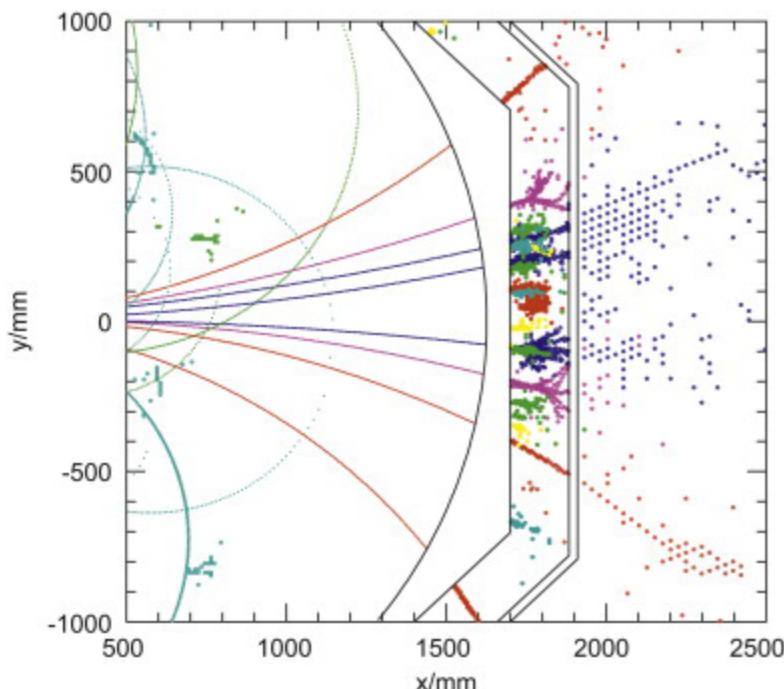
Jenny List , polarimetry

Tony Hartin, spin tracking

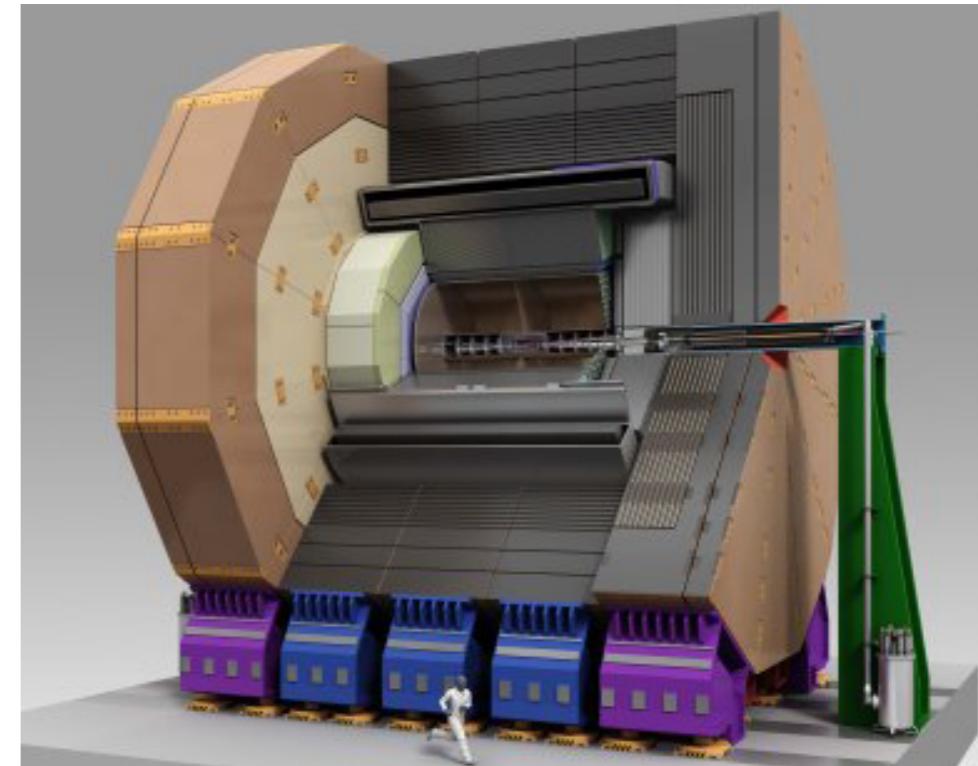
# LC detectors

## LC environment and detector R&D allow for a big leap in performance

- Signal and bkg x-sections of similar magnitude
- Well-defined initial state (CM energy, polarization)
- Triggerless read-out
- Background confined to innermost detectors



**Detailed Geant4 model and sophisticated reconstruction software allow realistic estimates of performance**



**Particle Flow:** highly granular calorimetry inside a large 3.5-5 Tesla solenoid allows to follow every single visible particle produced in the collisions from the cradle to the grave → best possible estimate of the jet energy:  $\Delta E/E \sim 3-5\%$

**Transparent and precise tracking/vertexing:**

$$\Delta(1/p_T) \sim 10^{-5} \text{ GeV}^{-1}$$

$$\Delta(d_0) \sim 5 \oplus 10-20 / (p \sin^{3/2} \theta)$$

**Contributions on 07/07 in TR13:**  
Tomohiko Tanabe on ILD  
Andy White on SiD  
Frank Simon on CLIC detectors

# Top Quark Mass – Hadron Colliders

**Compare the mass of the top quark decay products to a template from a generator and identify the best fit result with the quark pole mass**

Tevatron: **total error below 1 GeV**

LHC already systematics dominated:

ATLAS I + jets (1/fb):  $174.5 \pm 0.6$  (stat)  $\pm 2.3$  (syst) GeV

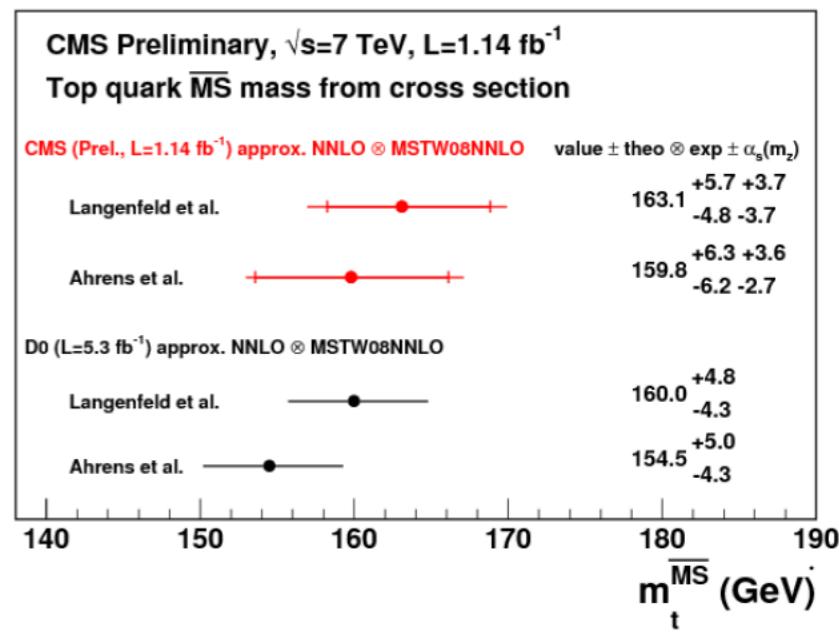
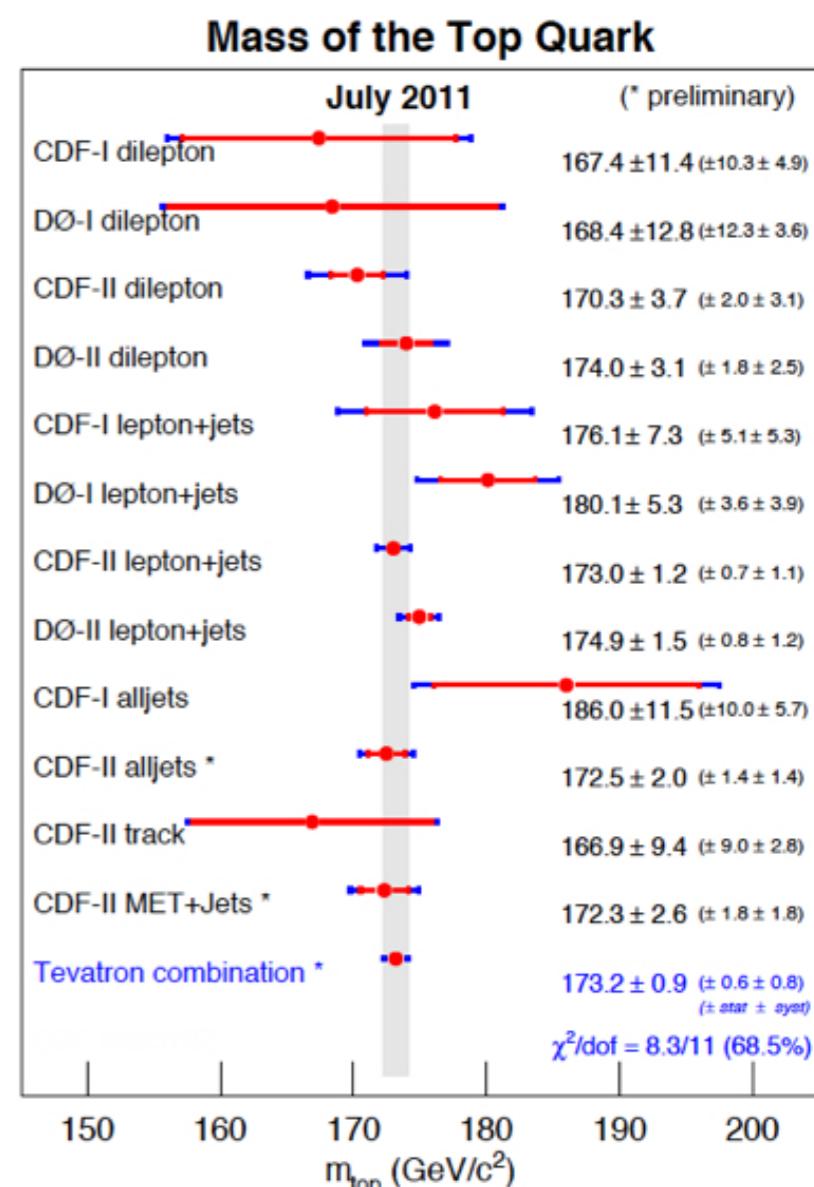
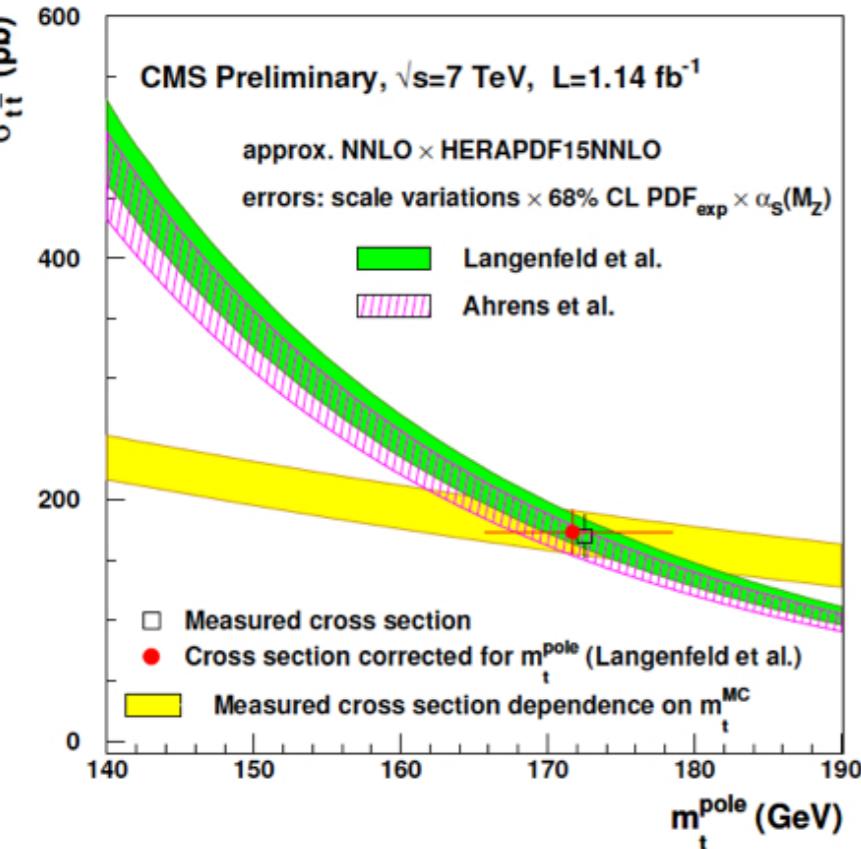
CMS  $\mu$  + jets (5/fb):  $172.6 \pm 0.4$  (stat)  $\pm 1.2$  (syst) GeV

**Main disadvantage: no rigorous interpretation in terms of pole mass**

Pair production cross-section measurement at the LHC yields a top quark mass determination

Precision of this procedure seems to be limited:

$$\frac{\Delta\sigma_{t\bar{t}}}{\sigma_{t\bar{t}}} \approx 5 \frac{\Delta m_t}{m_t}$$

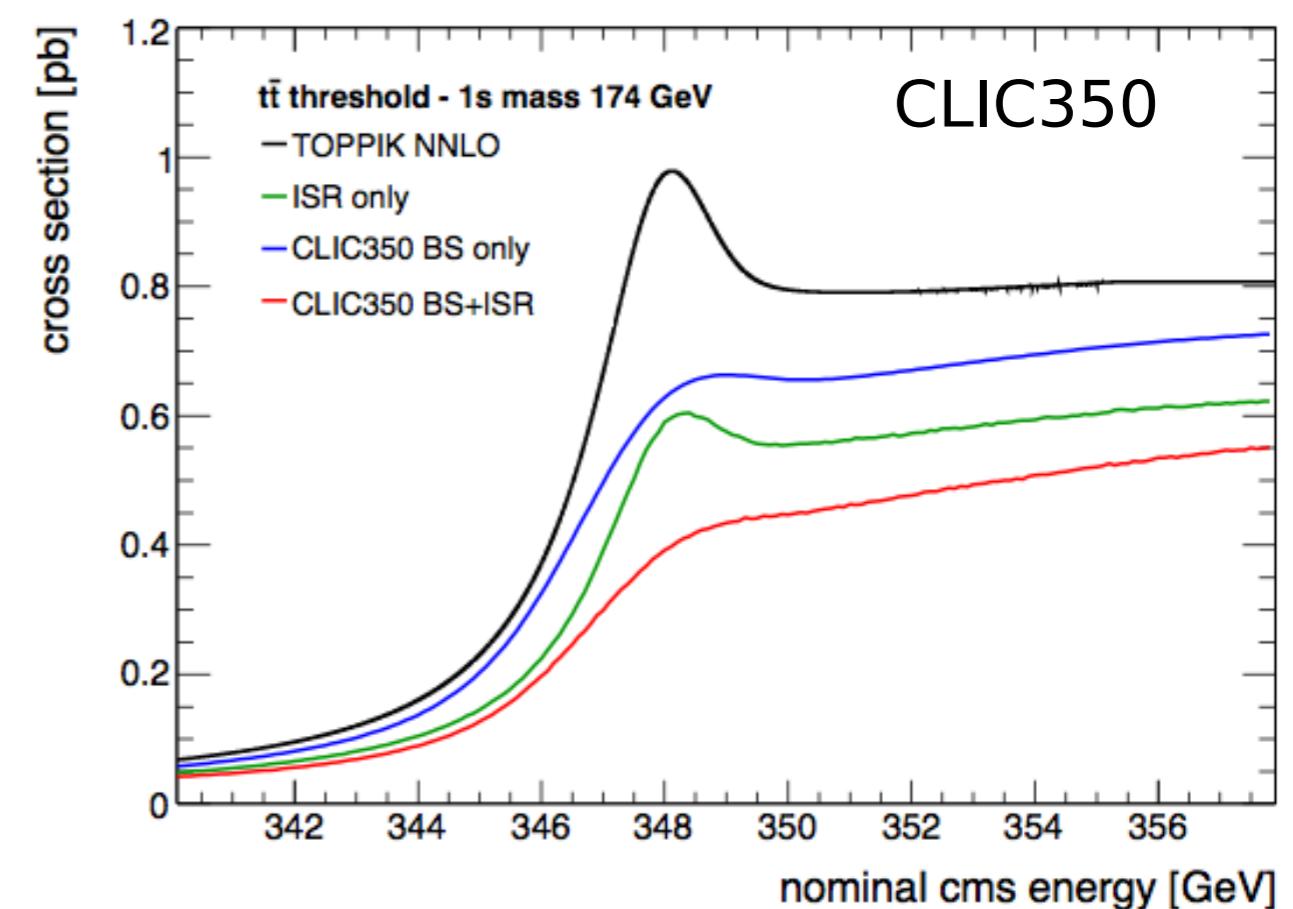
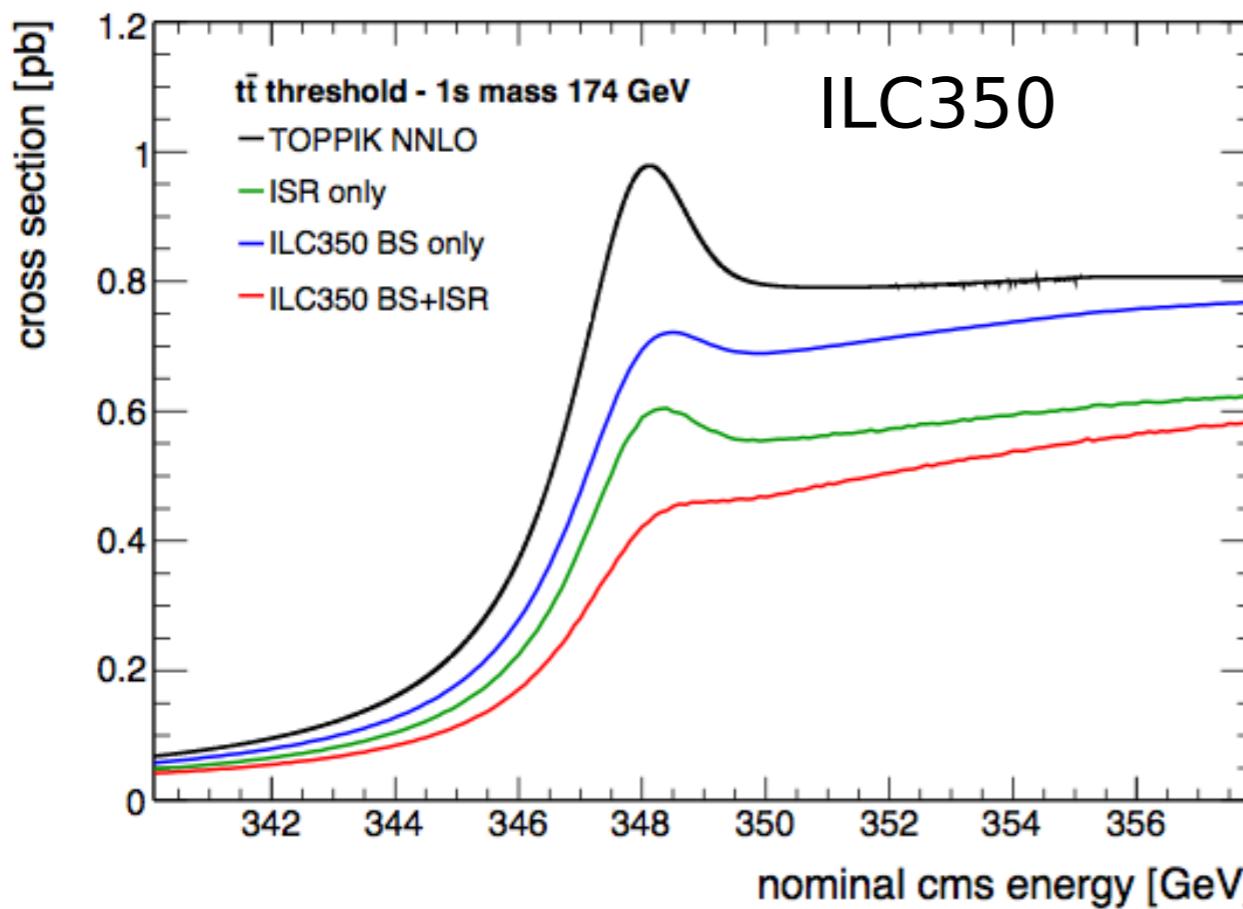


# Top quark mass - Threshold Scan at FLC

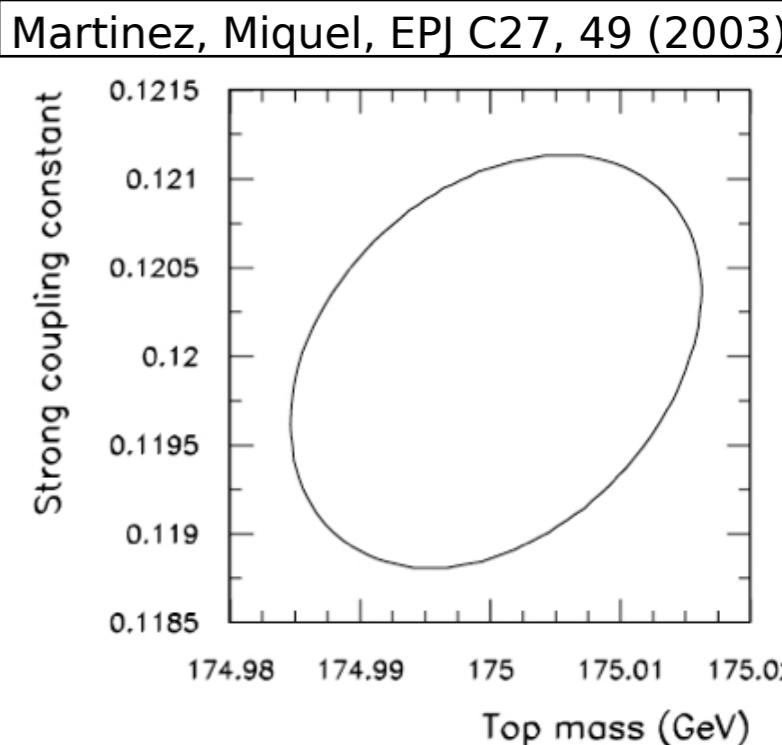
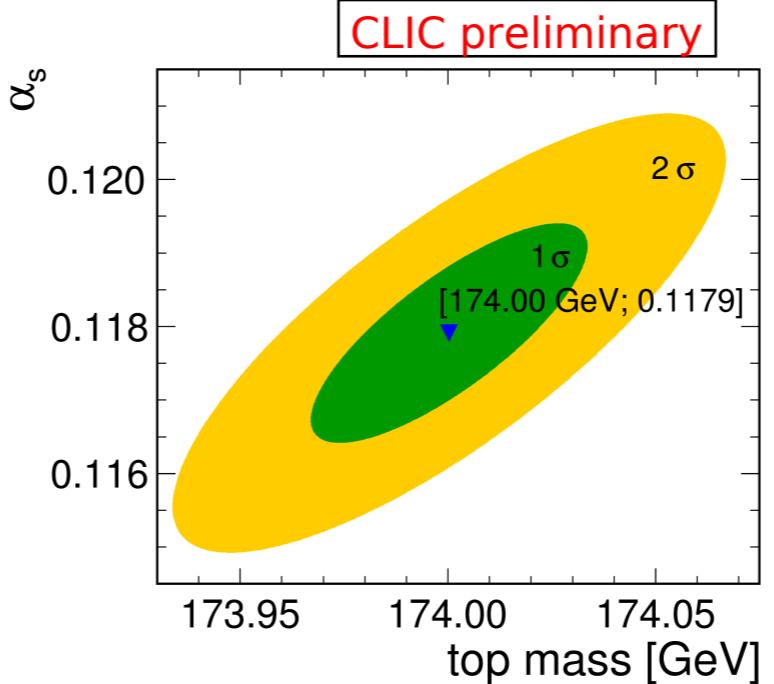
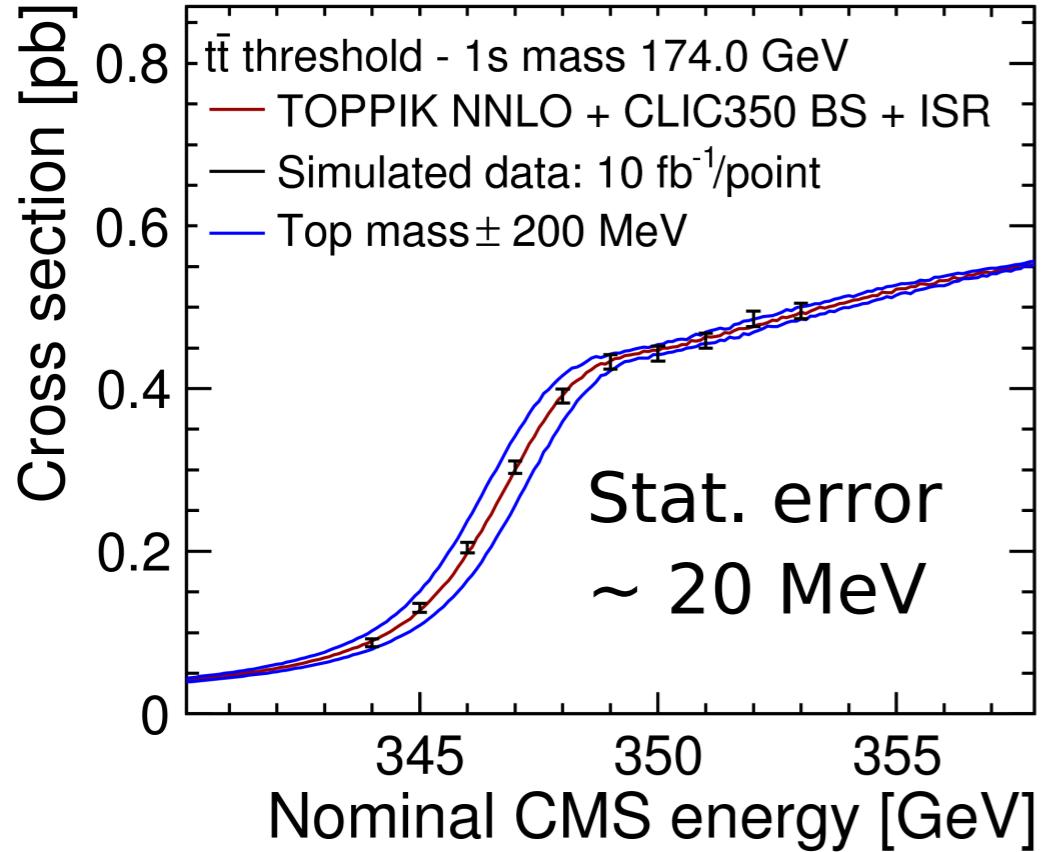
The shape of the top quark pair production cross section around threshold offers sensitivity to top quark mass, top quark width and the strong coupling constant  $\alpha_s$

See: Peter Marquard's contribution in this track

Threshold shape is partially washed out by ISR and beam energy spread.  
Larger beam energy spread at CLIC has  $\sim 15\%$  effect on precision of the fit



# Top quark mass



New results corroborate old studies and extend these findings to a machine with a very different technology

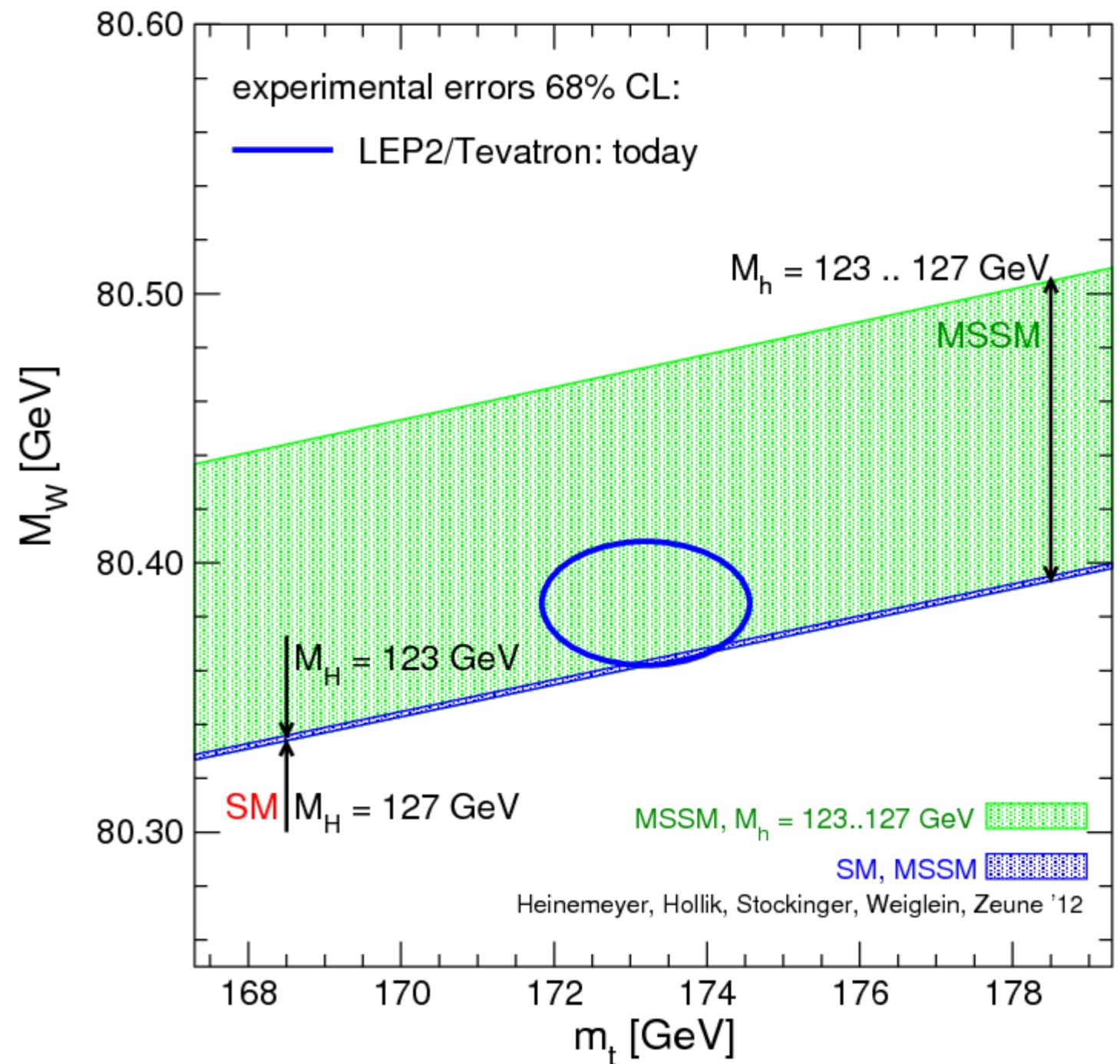
Measurement in the continuum ( $\sqrt{s} = 500$  GeV) is possible with a statistical error  $\sim 50\text{-}100$  MeV (ILD/SiD, CLIC CDR). This measurement is affected by the same type of systematic uncertainties as Tevatron/LHC

**A precise measurement O(100 MeV) with a rigorous interpretation is achievable at a low energy linear collider**

# Top quark mass – what do we learn?

Measure fundamental parameters of the Standard Model as precisely as possible

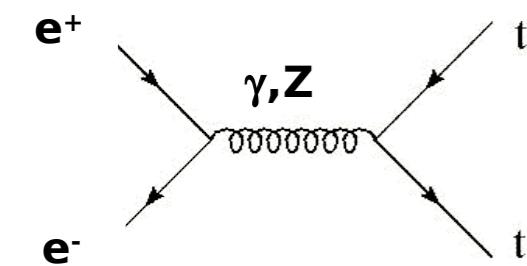
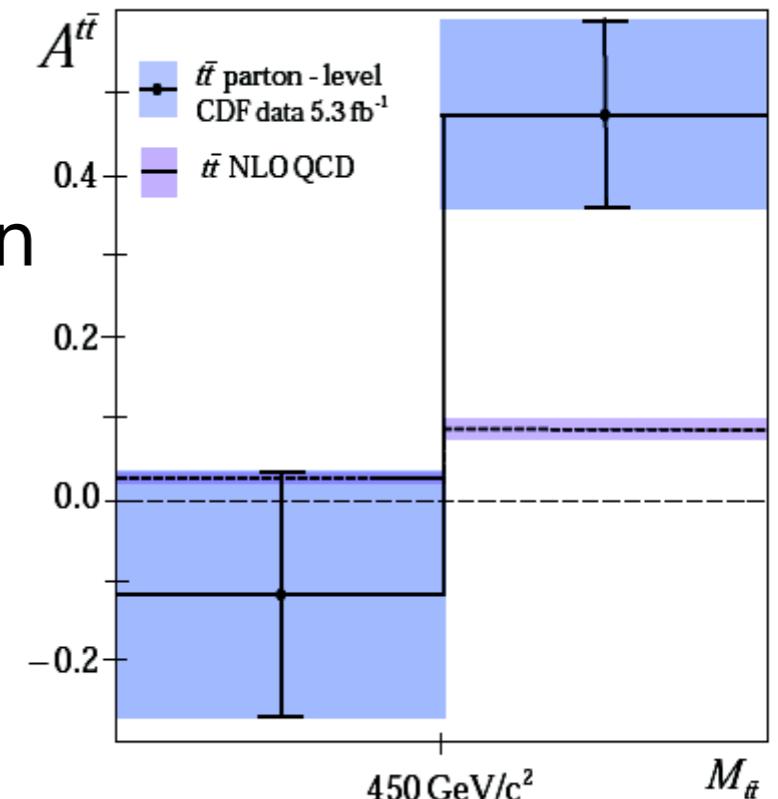
If (now that?) a Higgs-like object is observed, use precise measurements of the masses of the top quark, the W boson and the new state to test internal consistency of the Standard Model



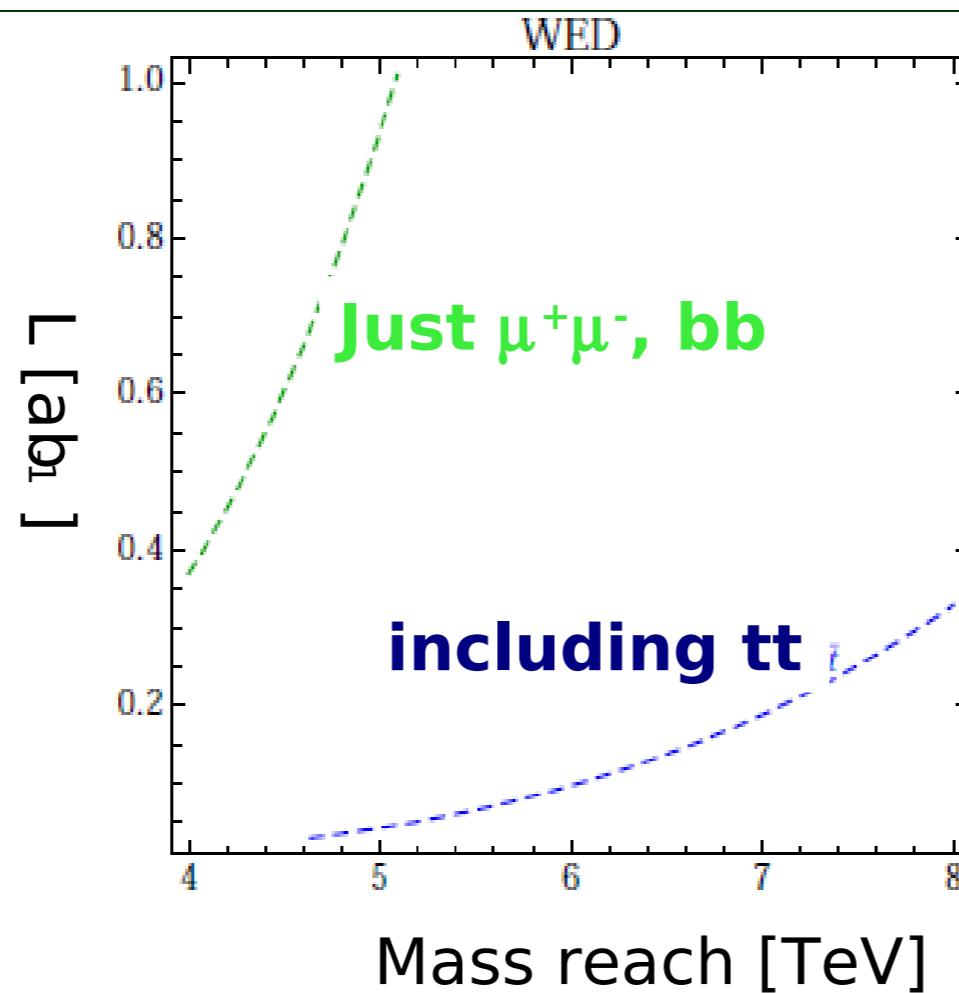
# Top quark couplings

Asymmetries in the production of third generation quarks has been an interesting area for decades

The CDF collaboration, “*Evidence for a Mass Dependent Forward-Backward Asymmetry in Top Quark Pair Production*,” Phys.Rev.D83 (2011).



**tt production at a LC:**  
σ~0.6 pb  
at  $\sqrt{s} = 500 \text{ GeV}$   
~0.2 pb  
at  $\sqrt{s} = 1 \text{ TeV}$   
~0.1 pb  
at  $\sqrt{s} = 3 \text{ TeV}$



Detailed study of  $t\bar{t}$  production at LC may greatly enhance the sensitivity to BSM physics

Example: Warped Extra Dimensions at LC 3 TeV

F. Corradaleschi, LCWS10,  
arXiv:1202.0660  
M. Battaglia, LCWS11

# Top quark couplings

$$\Gamma_{t\bar{t}(\gamma,Z)}^{\mu} = ie \left[ \gamma^{\mu} \left[ F_{1V}^{\gamma,Z} + F_{1A}^{\gamma,Z} \gamma^5 \right] + \frac{(P_t - P_{\bar{t}})^{\mu}}{2m_t} \left[ F_{2V}^{\gamma,Z} + F_{2A}^{\gamma,Z} \gamma^5 \right] \right]$$

Parton-level studies show how measurements on  $t\bar{t}$  production at LC ( $\sigma$ ,  $A_{FB}$ ,  $A_{LR}$ , ...) can constrain the form factors  $F$

Form factor	SM value	LC prospects $\sqrt{s} = 500$ GeV	
$F_{1V}^Z$	1	1.9%	
$F_{1A}^Z$	1	1.6%	TESLA TDR, to be explored in complete studies with detailed simulation
$F_{2V}^{\gamma,Z} = (g-2)_{\gamma,Z}^t$	0	1.1%	
$\text{Re } F_{2A}^{\gamma}$	0	0.7%	
$\text{Re } d_t^{\gamma}$	0	4%	
$\text{Re } F_{2A}^Z$	0	0.8%	Control over beam polarization is vital!!
$\text{Re } d_t^Z$	0	5%	
$\text{Im } F_{2A}^{\gamma}$	0	0.8%	
$\text{Im } F_{2A}^Z$	0	1.0%	

# Top quark couplings

**Fully hadronic  $t\bar{t}$  events are a benchmark channel in SiD and ILD LOI**

## Basic selection:

- visible energy
- number of (charged) particles
- $y_{\min}$  (6 jets)
- W-boson mass
- b-tagging

*Efficiency: 51%*

*Purity: 69 %*

Excellent flavour tagging, vertex charge and jet charge determination allow to reconstruct the  $A_{FB}^{t\bar{t}}$  (and that of b-quarks in  $t\bar{t}$  events) to  $\sim 5\%$

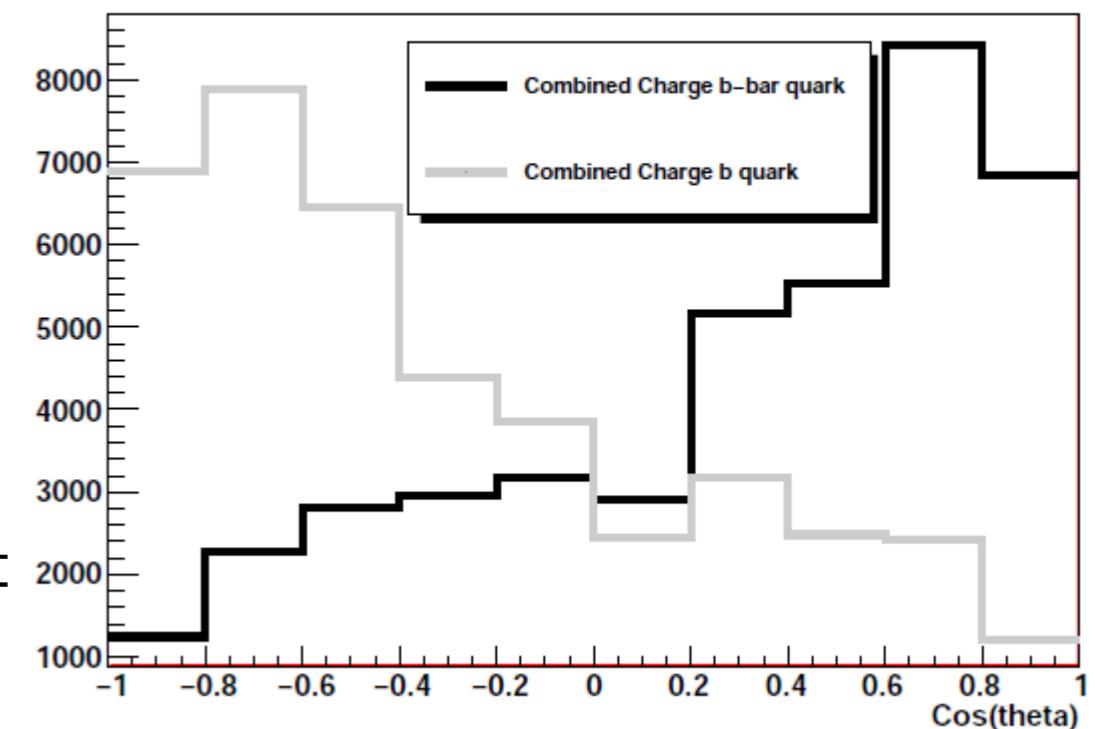
Lepton + jets final state offers better distinction of t and  $\bar{t}$  directions

## Kinematic fit:

- $m_t = m_t$
- $m_W = 80.4 \text{ GeV}$
- $E_{vis} = 500 \text{ GeV}$
- $P_x = P_y = P_z = 0$

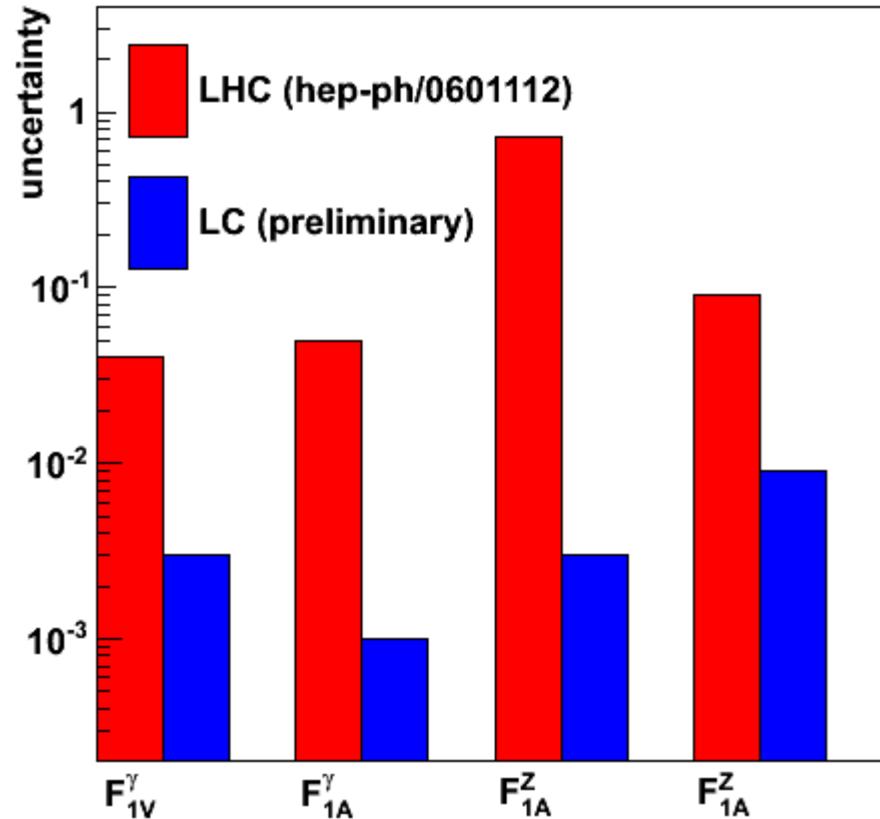
*Efficiency: 31%*

*Purity: 86%*



# Work in progress

Revisiting the parton-level study for the Detailed Baseline Design



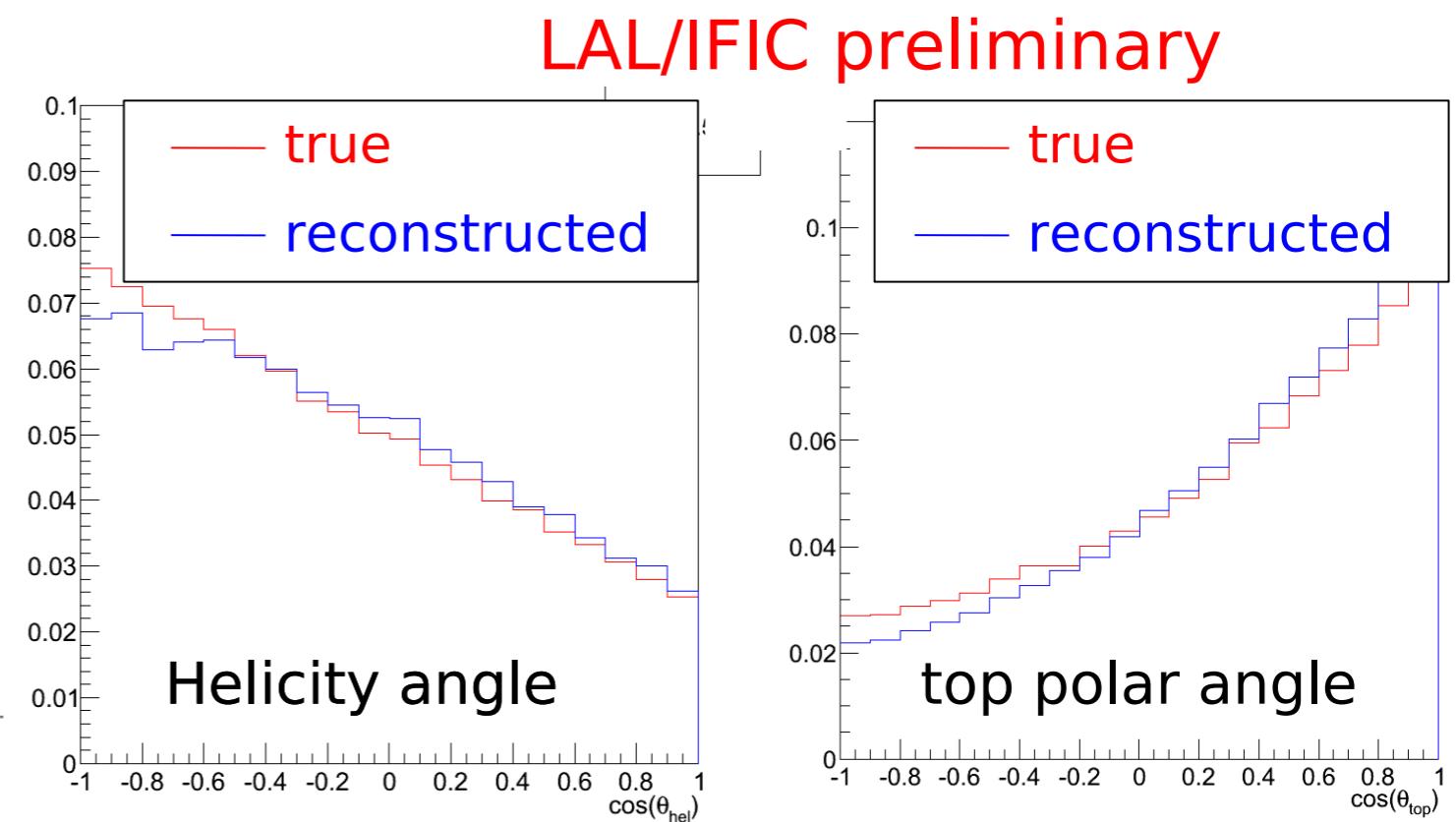
LAL/IFIC  
preliminary

## Assumptions:

LC:  $\sqrt{s} = 500$  GeV,  $L = 500/\text{fb}$   
 $P(e^-) = 80\%$ ,  $P(e^+) = 30\%$

LHC: 14 TeV, 300/fb

Full simulation in ILD concept to understand experimental challenges and estimate systematic errors.  
Preliminary: migrations due to ambiguities in tt reconstruction can be controlled at an LC



# Summary

**New results from detailed studies on two highlights of the LC precision top quark physics program:**

- $\Delta m_t \sim 100 \text{ MeV}$

Threshold scan yields a precise top quark mass measurement in a well-defined scheme

Continuum measurement yields a similar statistical precision

- $\delta F_{1V}^{\gamma, Z}, \delta F_{1A}^{\gamma, Z} \sim 1\%$

Polarization allows to disentangle  $\gamma$  and  $Z$

Couplings to  $Z$  and characterized couplings at the % level

$A_{FB}(tt)$  to 5% in fully hadronic final state! Much better in lepton+jets (preliminary)

**More results expected soon!!**