

Status of Top Mass (world?) average

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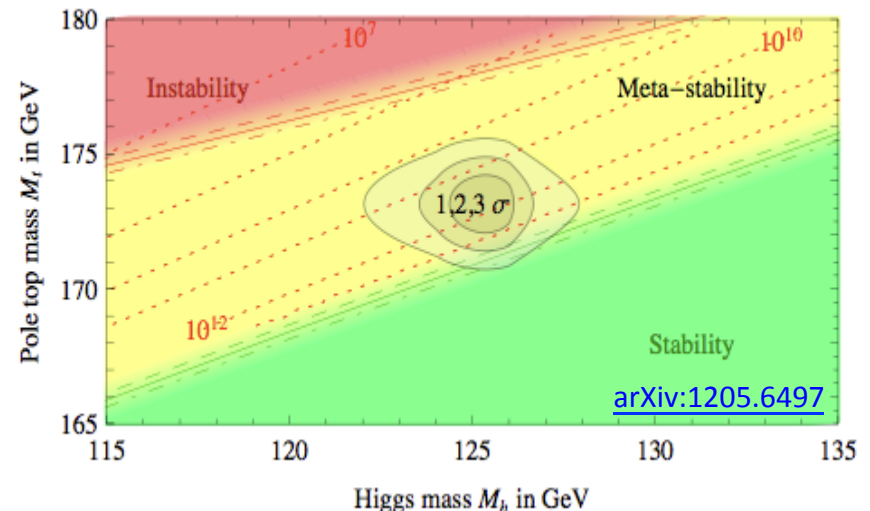
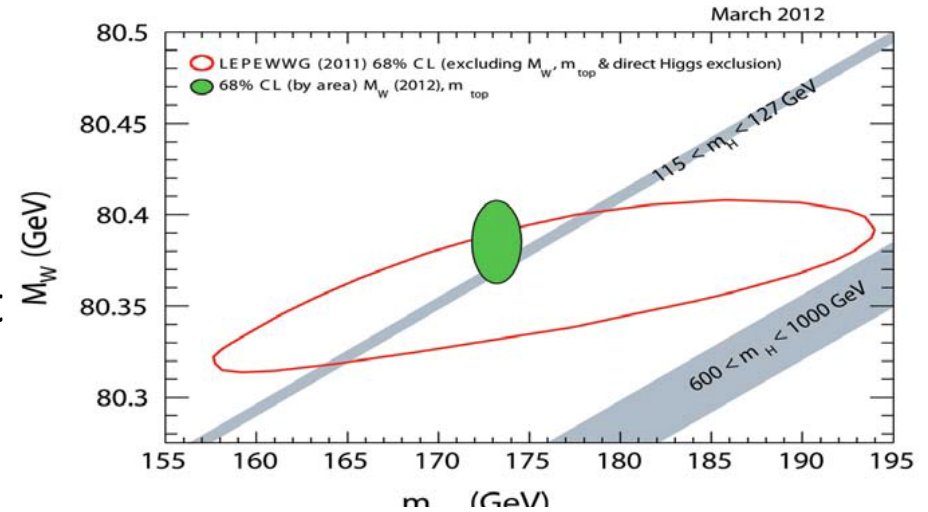


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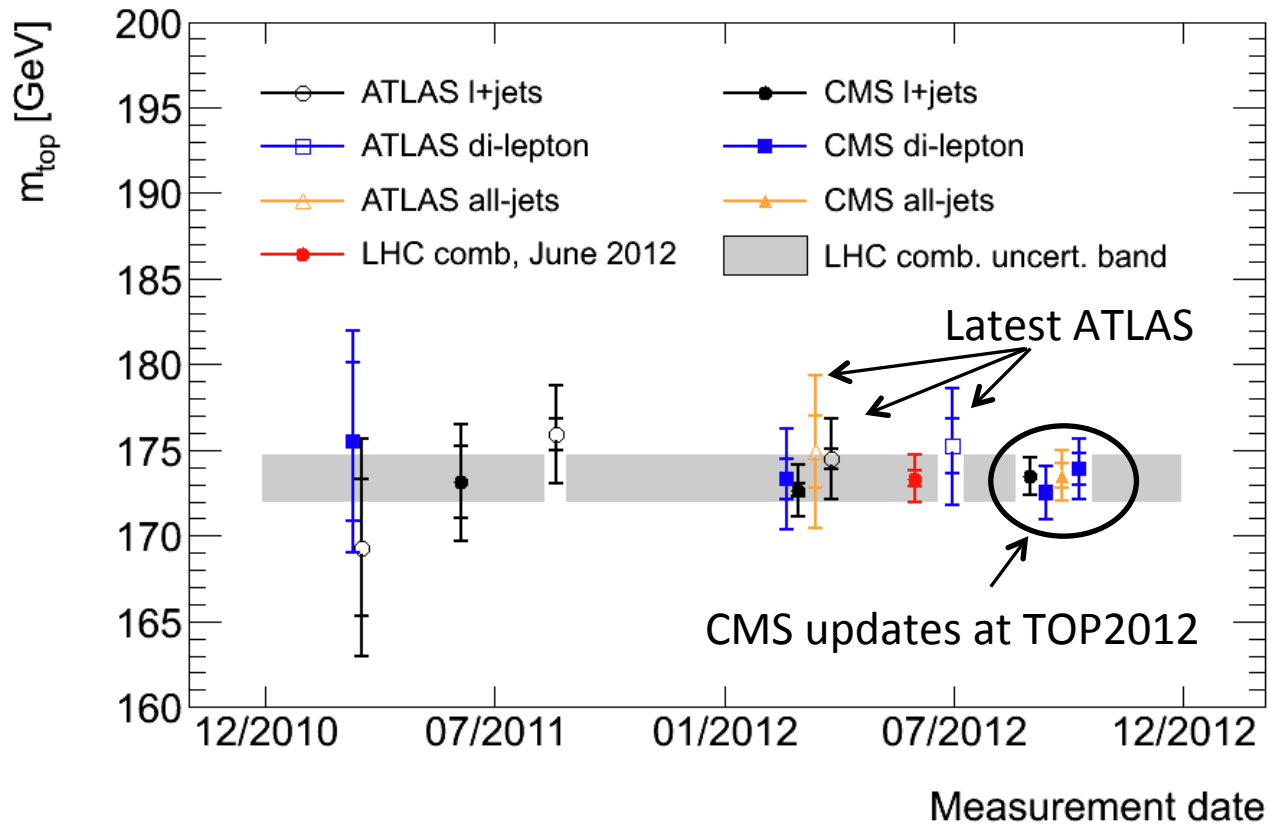
- The Top quark is *still* the **heaviest** known elementary particle!
- Is there a **special reason** for this?
- The Top mass is *still* an important Standard Model parameter

→ worth measuring as precisely as possible

- Interesting (QCD) Puzzle: **how secure is the “color confinement prison”?** Compare direct measurements from invariant mass decay products to indirect determination from cross-section



LHC Top Mass: overview



[GeV]	LHC	
	ATLAS	CMS
Stat.	0.6 – 4.0	0.3 – 4.6
Syst.	2.3 – 4.6	1.0 – 4.6
Tot	2.4 – 6.3	1.1 – 6.5

[min,max] across analyses used in LHC comb or presented at TOP2012

red = presented at TOP2012

- Time evolution of LHC Top mass measurements
- The first (and latest) LHC Top mass combination: **June 2012**

Latest top mass combinations

LHC Combination (June 2012): $m_{\text{top}} = 173.3 \pm 0.5_{\text{stat}} \pm 1.3_{\text{syst}}$ GeV
[CMS-PAS-12-001 & ATLAS-CONF-2012-095](#)

Tevatron Combination (2012): $m_{\text{top}} = 173.2 \pm 0.6_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.8_{\text{syst}}$ GeV
... does not include the latest measurement(s)
[Phys. Rev. D 86, 092003 \(2012\)](#)

CMS latest (September 2012): $m_{\text{top}} = 173.4 \pm 0.4_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.9_{\text{syst}}$ GeV
... does not include the latest CMS di-lepton measurement
[CMS-PAS-11-018](#)

- Beautiful agreement in central values
- LHC is starting to reach a precision similar to the Tevatron
- LHC: systematic uncertainties (and correlations) dominant
- None of the combination is fully up-to-date...

Our Home Work

- A better understanding of systematic uncertainties and correlations between ATLAS and CMS is becoming increasingly important
- Currently we are using BLUE with systematics categories similar to the Tevatron combination (for details see talk by Giorgio in previous TOPLHC WG meeting <https://indico.cern.ch/event/189617>)
- An “ultimate combination” of results would require
 - More refined categories for systematic uncertainties in BLUE
 - Better understanding of the values of the systematic uncertainties
 - Better understanding of the correlations to put in
- More harmonisation between ATLAS and CMS is needed (see talks about JetMET and Radiation systematics today)
- Also proposing an improved presentation of BLUE results (see talk by Andrea Valassi today)

ATLAS and CMS signal modeling Systematics

	ATLAS	CMS
PDF	CTEQ6.6	MSTW08/ CTEQ6.6 / NNPDF2.0
Unc. on m_{top} [GeV]	0.1 – 0.6	0.1 – 0.5
MC generator	MC@NLO / PowHeg	Madgraph/PowHeg/Alpgen 0.04 GeV, di-lepton and l+jets (only quoted for di-lepton)
Unc. on m_{top} [GeV]	0.3 – 1.3	<0.1 – 0.4
Hadronization	Powheg Pythia/Herwig	(considered only in the JES syst determination)
Unc. on m_{top} [GeV]	0.2 – 0.9	
UE tune	Varying Pythia tunes	
Unc. on m_{top} [GeV]	0.2 – 0.6	0.2 – 1.4
Colour reconnection (CR or noCR)	Pythia Tune A and Perugia variations	Pythia Perugia variations
Unc. on m_{top} [GeV]	0.6 – 1.2	0.1 – 0.5

- Some differences in approach – ongoing discussions
- Hadronization: Pythia vs Herwig – quote only as part of JES (CMS), or also applied to whole event (ATLAS)? ... Double counting?
- Radiation: → (ultimately) constrain from data
- (b-JES) → (ultimately) constrain from data
- CR: → drop Tune A; (ultimately) constrain from data?

Scope for significant improvements?

Yes!

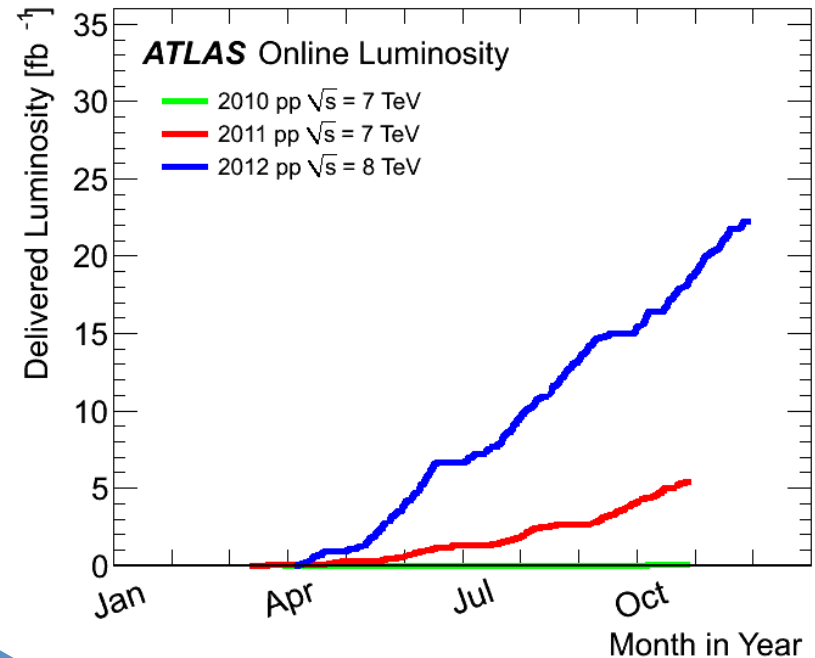
- 4x more data on tape
- 2 year to analyze them...
- Improved MC tools arriving
- Current systematics tend to be conservative by necessity *

For example in CMS:

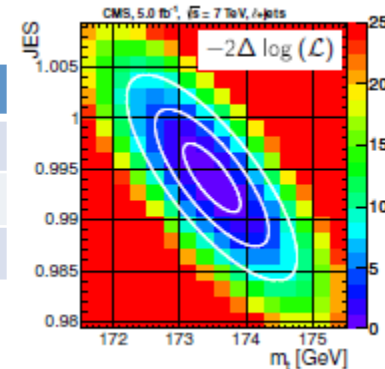
- Using pre-calibrated JES scale or in-situ, **not both**
- B-JES covers perhaps **2x** b- vs light-jet difference
- **Double**-counting UE tune and pile-up (JES and full event)
- Always using **max** of syst. shift or stat. unc. on it

Similar room for future improvements in ATLAS

(*) inevitable to err on the side of caution, until more refined treatments are available



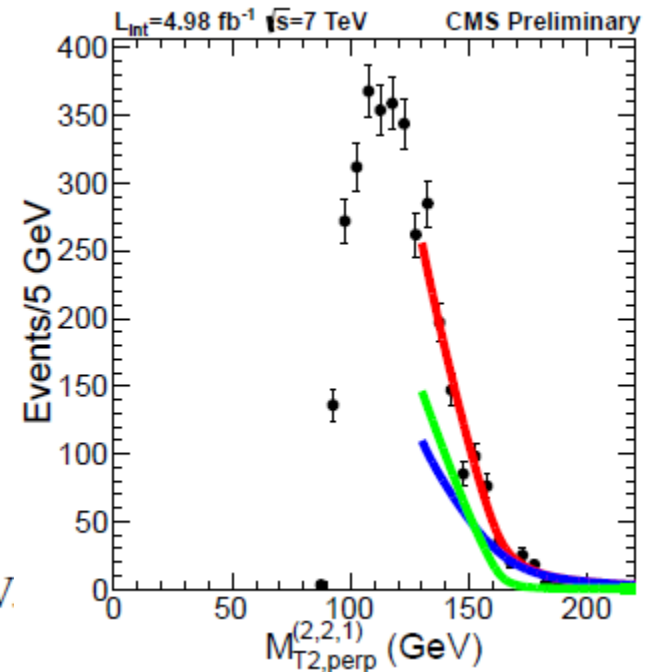
channel	Official JES	In-situ JES
Di-lepton	1.5-2%	Not used
Lepton+jets	Not used	0.994 ± 0.009
All-jets	1.5-2%	Not used



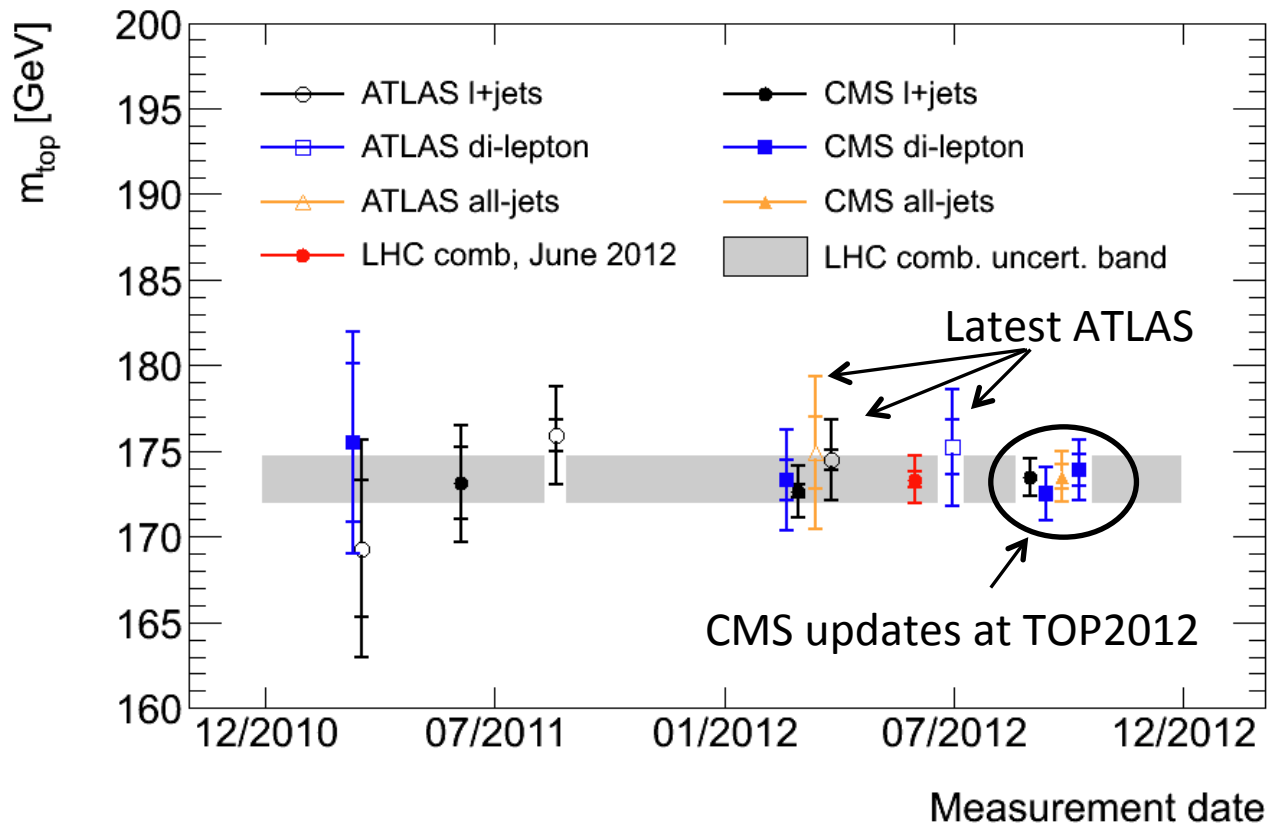
Further Food for Thought (& Optimism)

- Another way to reduce the overall uncertainty would be to aim for **reduced correlations**
- Useful to include less-correlated **alternative methods**, eg CDF Lxy method, or the ATLAS and CMS M_{T2} di-lepton endpoint methods:
- **CMS M_{T2}** : no use of MC for calibration and using endpoint. Less precise than standard dilepton analysis, but would give bigger improvement combination
- **Should analyses** no longer be optimized 'stand-alone', but with the **combination in mind**?

$$M_t = 173.9 \pm 0.9(\text{stat}) \begin{matrix} +1.2 \\ -1.8 \end{matrix}(\text{syst}) \text{ GeV.}$$



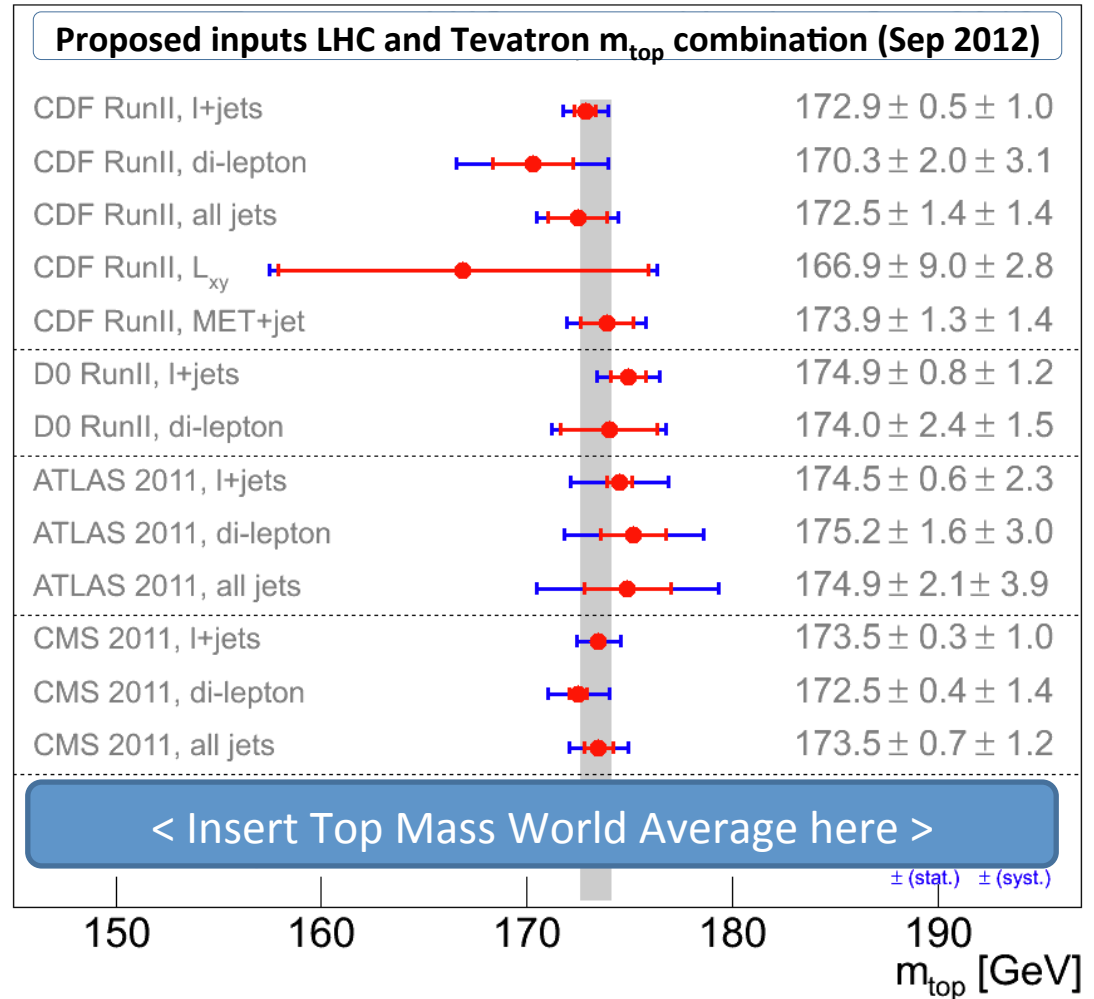
Recap: LHC Top Mass overview



- Time for an **updated LHC top mass combination...**
- Also working towards a **Tevatron + LHC world combination!**

Towards a World Combination

- Informal **discussion** has started between Tevatron and LHC communities
- **Proposal for inputs for 1st combination:** best measurement per channel / method per experiment (Sep'12)
- **Technically straightforward** to perform combination
- **But first:** need formal agreement between the 4 experiments on exact **procedure to be followed**



Time Line

- The goal is/was to have the first preliminary LHC + Tevatron combination approved as soon as possible by the 4 collaborations
 - Combinations will be performed using the BLUE method
 - Systematic uncertainties will be reviewed and mapped to each other from the different inputs, ensuring a homogeneous treatment
 - Single document approved in 4 collaborations, containing:
 - Individual (updated) combinations for Tevatron and LHC
 - The First preliminary World Average top-quark mass combination
 - Comparisons of the World Average combination per channel
- Moriond 2013 : a natural target for the first world combination, including preliminary and published results
- Also prepare combination (only published results) as input for Particle Data Group, summer 2013 edition (deadline: Spring 2013) → *My opinion: very important to provide this, to the best of our current knowledge*

Top Mass Combination Summary & Outlook

- The LHC experiments are quickly improving the precision of their top-quark mass measurements.
- Results from ATLAS and CMS show beautiful agreement with existing Tevatron results.
- A good moment for the LHC and Tevatron working groups to combine forces and prepare a top mass world average
- *Scope for significant further improvements in LHC top mass measurements. Improved understanding of systematic uncertainties (experimental and theoretical) and correlations will be key*
- We are just getting started! Exciting Top Physics years ahead!