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Light H^\pm searches in the Hadronic Mode with ATLAS

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- Analysis
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- Summary



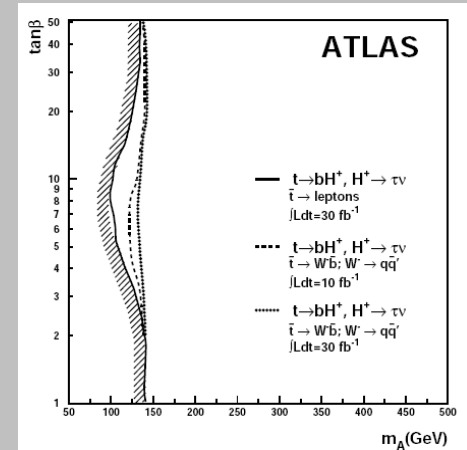
Introduction: Signal



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- Light H^+ : $m_{H^+} < m_t$
- Production: $pp \rightarrow t\bar{t} \rightarrow H^+bWb$
- Decay: $H^+ \rightarrow \tau\nu$
 - $BR \approx 1$ except for very small $\tan\beta$ values
- In this study: $\tau \rightarrow \text{hadr.}$ & $W \rightarrow jj$
 - $BR(W \rightarrow jj) = 0.676$
 - $BR(\tau \rightarrow \text{hadr.}) = 0.648$
- All plots presented for m_h -max scenario

Previous Study:
ATLAS-PHYS-2003-038
using fast detector
simulation



Mass [GeV]	Cross section [pb]
90	38.4
110	27.1
120	21.4
130	15.7
150	5.9

Cross-section for $\tan\beta=35$



Introduction: Background

- Backgrounds considered:

- ttbar (all decays)



Including decay to $\tau(\text{had})\nu b q q b$,
most important background

- Single top

- W+jets

- QCD dijets



Important due to huge
($\sim 3 \times 10^8$ fb) cross-section

- pT of 140-1120 GeV



Introduction: Simulation



- Signal: Pythia interfaced to TAUOLA
 - 5 mass-points: 90, 110, 120, 130, 150 GeV
- Background: MC@NLO (ttbar), Herwig (QCD), AcerMC (single top), Alpgen+Herwig (W+jets)
- 14 TeV centre-of-mass
- Full simulation of the ATLAS detector
- No pile-up





Trigger



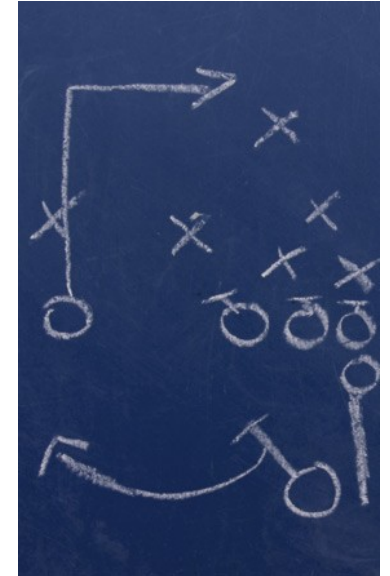
- Two options considered, depending on instantaneous luminosity:
 - $L=10^{31}$: tau20i+xe30 or tau15i+xe20+3jet20
 - $L=10^{33}$: tau35i+xe50 or tau35i+xe40+3jet20(see talks by Chris, Frank and Richard)
- All results in this talk obtained assuming the 10^{33} trigger menu.
- Only about 9-17 % of signal events survive the trigger





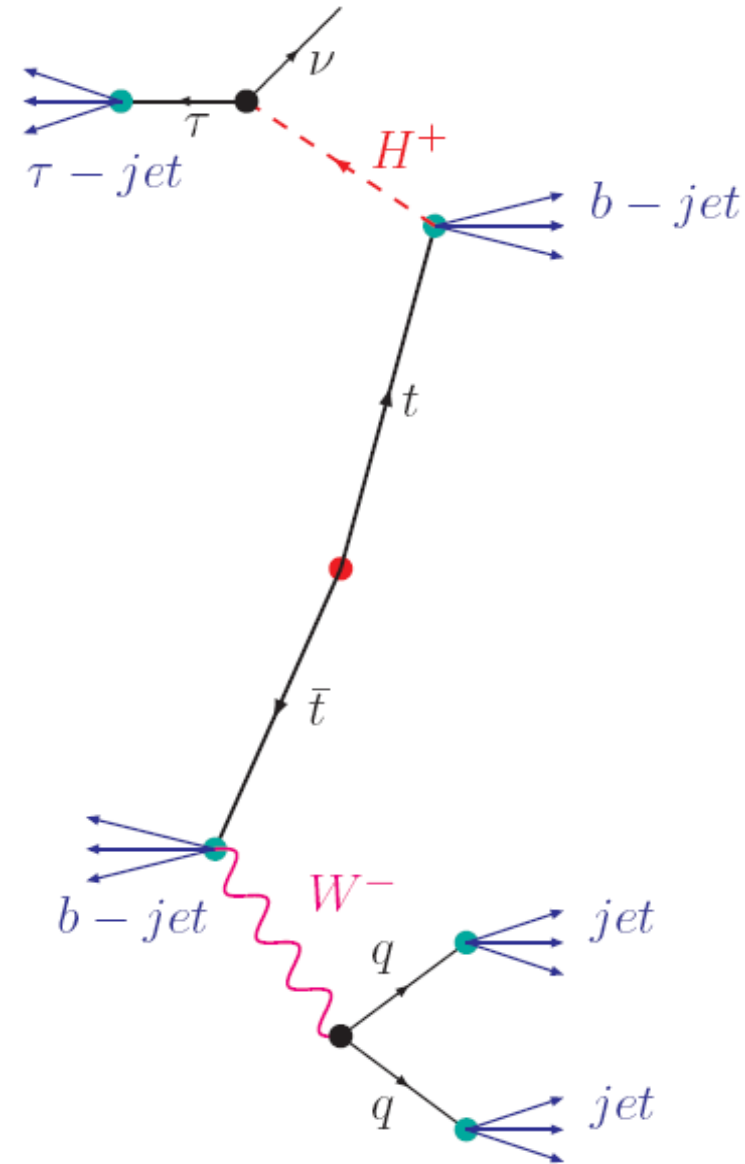
Analysis Strategy

- First set of cuts
 - Select events agreeing with signal F.S.
- Second set of cuts
 - Reduce QCD background
- Likelihood
 - Discriminate between signal and SM-like $t\bar{t}$ background
- Reconstruct H^+ Transverse Mass
 - Calculate Significance using shape-based Profile Likelihood Method



Selection Cuts I

- Exactly 1 τ -tagged jet
 - $p_T > 25 \text{ GeV}$ (see talk by Aldo)
- Exactly 2 b-tagged jets
 - (see talk by Giacinto)
- At least 2 non b-tagged jets
 - Cone alg. Radius = 0.4
 - $p_T > 15 \text{ GeV}$
- No isolated e or μ
- $E_T^{\text{miss}} > 30 \text{ GeV}$





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Channel	Cuts I Eff.
H+ 90 GeV	13%
H+ 110 GeV	11%
H+ 120 GeV	11%
H+ 130 GeV	11%
H+ 150 GeV	9%
tt ≥ 1 e/ μ / τ	2%
tt hadronic	3%
single top	0.8%
W+jets	0.5%
QCD	0.0002%



Selection Cuts II

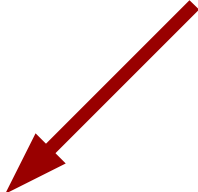
- W and top reconstruction
 - W: pair of non-b jets with inv. mass closest to W mass
 - $|m_W^{\text{rec}} - m_W| < 30 \text{ GeV}$
 - Top: $W_{\text{rec}} + \text{b jet}$ that gives inv. mass closest to top mass
 - $|m_{\text{top}}^{\text{rec}} - m_{\text{top}}| < 40 \text{ GeV}$
- $\Delta\phi(p_T^{\text{top1}}, p_T^{\text{top2}}) > 2.5$ $\vec{p}_T^{\text{top2}} = \vec{p}_T^b + \vec{p}_T^{\tau\text{jet}} + \vec{p}_T^{\text{miss}}$
- $p_T^{\text{hardest top}} / p_T^{\text{softest top}} < 2$



Selection Cuts II

Channel	X-sec [fb]
H+ 90 GeV	146
H+ 110 GeV	117
H+ 120 GeV	101
H+ 130 GeV	86
H+ 150 GeV	31
tt ≥ 1 e/ μ / τ	336
tt hadronic	16
single top	17
W+jets	30
QCD	-

Order of magnitude
larger than other
backgrounds.



No MC events
remaining!



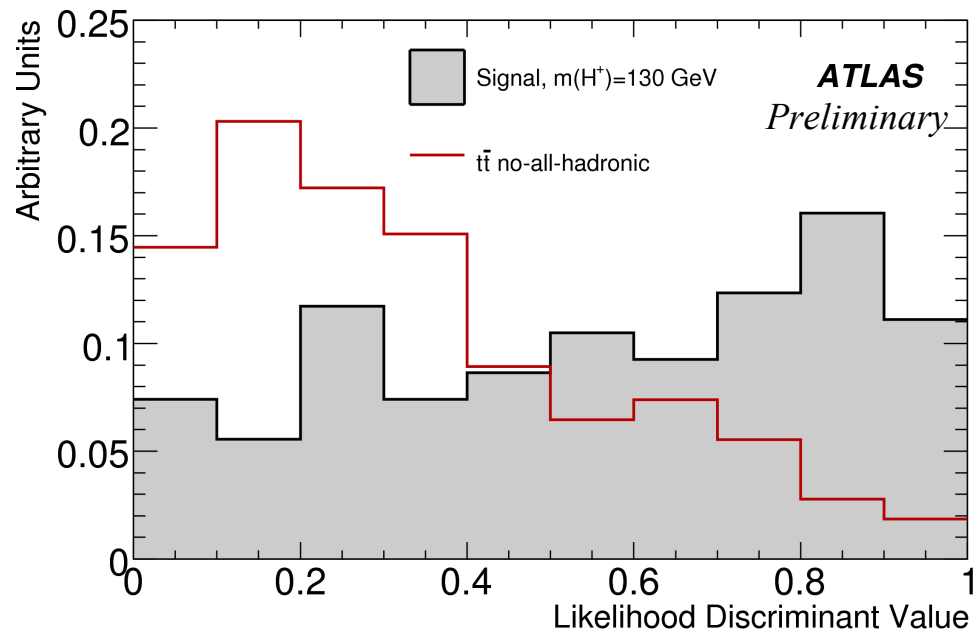
Cross-section: $\tan\beta=20$ for signal. SM values for background



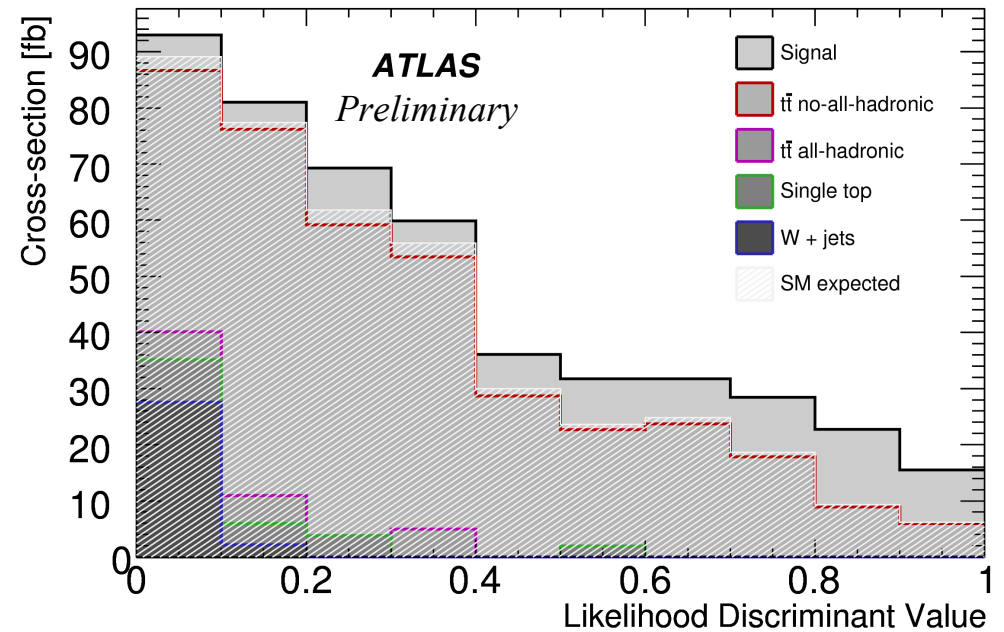
Likelihood

- 2-class likelihood with $t\bar{t}$ (≥ 1 lepton) as only background class
- Variables chosen to reflect $m_{H^+} > m_W$ and the difference in τ polarization:
 - I. $R1 = p_T(\text{leading track of tau}) / p_T(\text{tau})$
 - II. $1 - \cos(\Delta\phi(\text{Tau}, p_{T\text{miss}}))$
 - III. $1 - \cos(\Delta\phi(H^+_{\text{rec}}, \text{b-jet}[H^+]))$ (b-jet[H^+]: b-jet on H^+ side)
 - IV. $(M(\text{tau}, \text{b-jet}[H^+])) \times \Delta R(\text{tau}, \text{b-jet}[H^+])$
 - V. $p_T(\text{tau}) / p_T(\text{b-jet}[H^+])$
 - VI. $M(\text{tau}, \text{b-jet}[H^+])$
 - VII. $\Delta R(\text{tau}, \text{b-jet}[H^+])$

- Cut on likelihood distribution
 - $LH > 0.6$ ($LH > 0.8$ for 150 GeV mass-point)



LH distribution for signal ($m_{H^+} = 130$ GeV) and $t\bar{t}$ background normalized to unit area



LH distribution for signal and all backgrounds stacked, normalized to 10 fb^{-1} . $m_{H^+} = 130$ GeV and $\tan\beta = 20$



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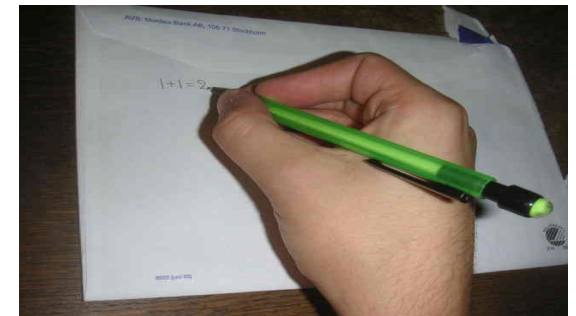
	Signal eff.	$tt \geq 1 e/\mu/\tau$ eff.
H+ 90 GeV	41%	19%
H+ 110 GeV	46%	19%
H+ 120 GeV	47%	16%
H+ 130 GeV	49%	18%
H+ 150 GeV	46%	10%

Likelihood efficiency for signal and $t\bar{t}$ (≥ 1 lepton). Remaining background found to have negligible contribution



Is QCD really gone?

- Ran out of MC events quite quickly
 - Huge cross-section: can never hope to have sufficient full-simulation statistics
- Estimate...
 - Will $t\bar{t}$ really be the dominant background?

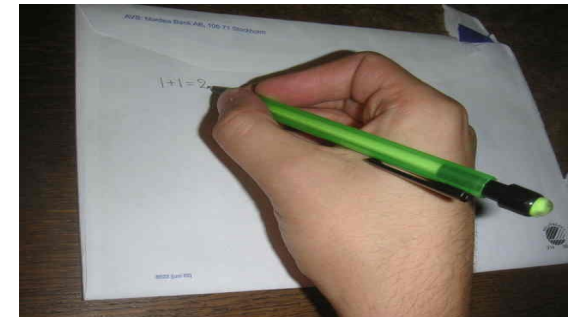




Is QCD really gone?

- Assume efficiency for QCD **same** as for $t\bar{t}$ for cuts where statistics too low: would get $\sim 100 \text{ fb}^*$ after LH cut
- Same order of magnitude as $t\bar{t}$ (60 fb^*)
- Extremely conservative assumption, since Cuts II were explicitly designed to identify $t\bar{t}$ / suppress QCD
 - Will in fact probably be several times lower...
- QCD should not dominate over the $t\bar{t}$ background

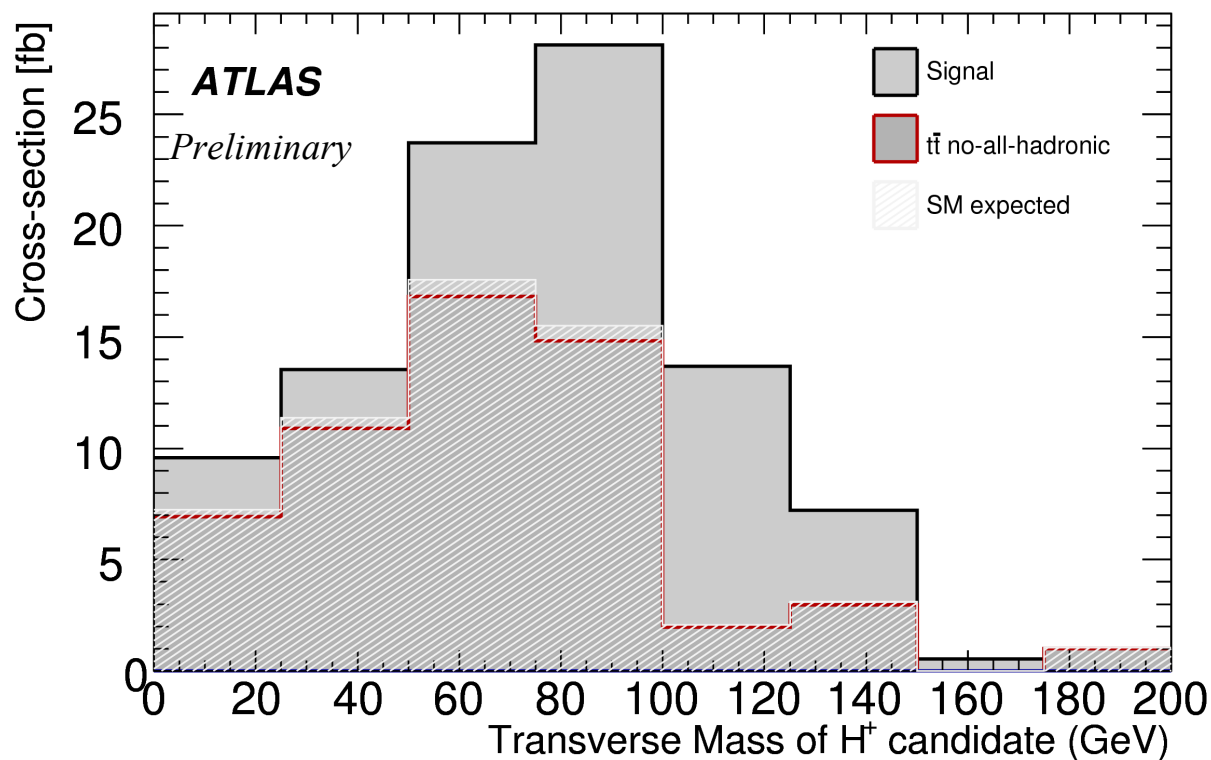
*: for a $m_{H^+} = 130 \text{ GeV}$ Likelihood cut





Transverse Mass

- Transverse H^+ mass calculated for events surviving LH cut

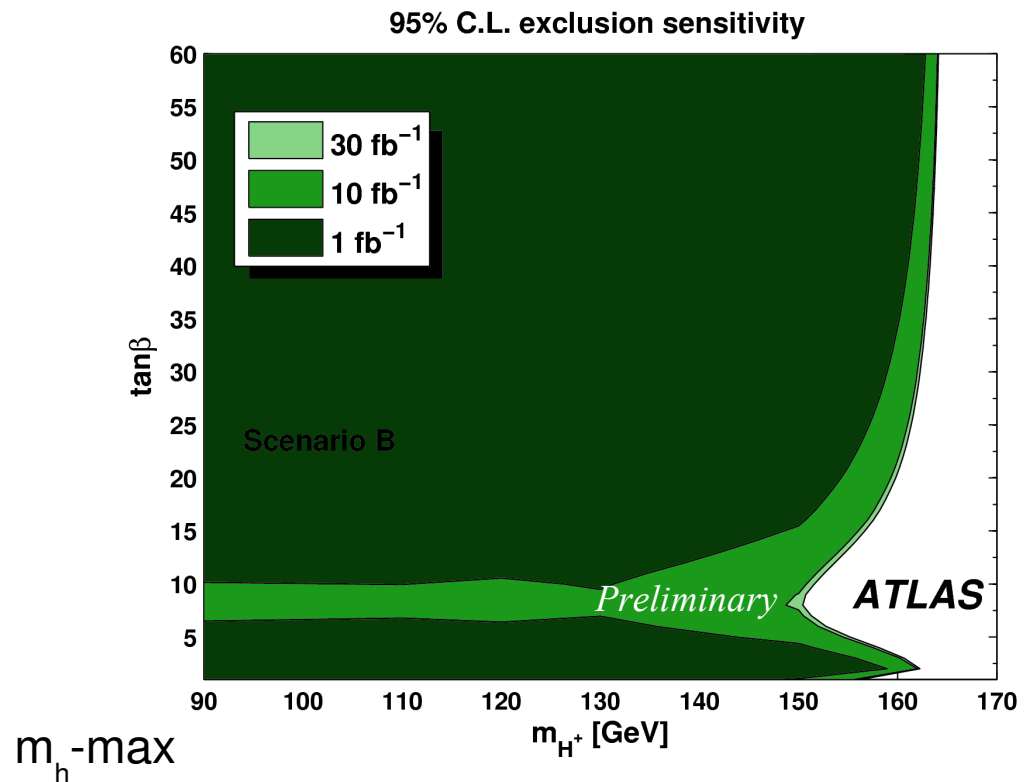
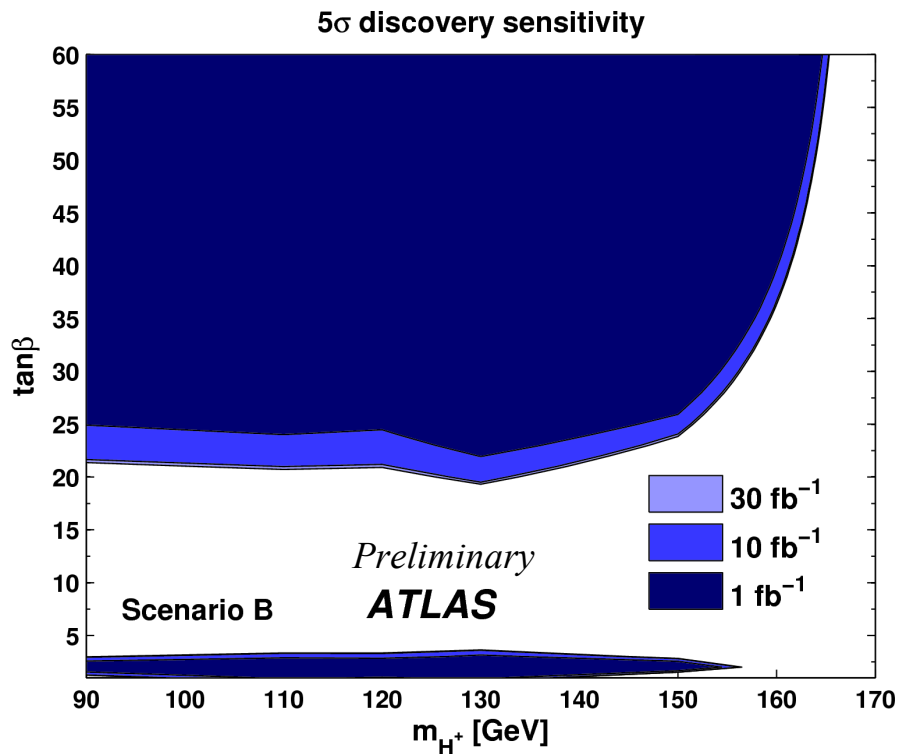


- Significance calculated using shape-based Profile Likelihood Method applied on transverse mass histogram (see Ofer's talk)



Discovery / Exclusion

- Systematics assumed: signal 24%, background 10% (see Trevor's talk)
- Statistical uncertainties due to limited MC very important





Summary

- $t\bar{t} \rightarrow H^+ b W b$, with $H^+ \rightarrow \tau(\text{had})\nu$ and $W \rightarrow qq$ has been studied with full simulation for ATLAS
- Two sets of cuts and a likelihood used to discriminate against a multitude of backgrounds
- Discovery contour reaching down to ~ 22 in $\tan\beta$ and for masses up to 150 GeV
- Exclusion possible for all $\tan\beta$ values for masses up to ~ 150 GeV



Backup Slides



Selection Likelihood: Calculation

- Likelihood discriminant for an event:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L} &= \frac{S(x_1, x_2, \dots)}{S(x_1, x_2, \dots) + B(x_1, x_2, \dots)} \quad \leftarrow \text{Best discriminator} \\ &\approx \frac{\prod_i S_i}{\prod_i S_i + \prod_i B_i} = \frac{\prod_i S_i/B_i}{\prod_i S_i/B_i + 1} = \frac{\exp\left(\sum_i \left(\ln \frac{S_i}{B_i}\right)\right)}{\exp\left(\sum_i \left(\ln \frac{S_i}{B_i}\right)\right) + 1} \\ &= \frac{\exp\left(\sum_i \left(\ln \frac{S}{B}\right)_{\text{fitted}}^i\right)}{\exp\left(\sum_i \left(\ln \frac{S}{B}\right)_{\text{fitted}}^i\right) + 1} \quad \leftarrow \text{Fitted value } \ln(P_{\text{sig}}/P_{\text{t\bar{t}}})\end{aligned}$$

Neglect correlations

- A 2D-Likelihood is used, with $t\bar{t}$ no-all-hadronic as background (other background samples are relatively small after the previous cuts)



Efficiency I



Channel	All events	Trigger	Cuts I	Cuts II
H^+ 90 GeV [fb]	38400	3384	442	146
[/]		<i>0.088</i>	<i>0.131</i>	<i>0.331</i>
H^+ 110 GeV [fb]	27100	2871	307	117
[/]		<i>0.106</i>	<i>0.107</i>	<i>0.381</i>
H^+ 120 GeV [fb]	21400	2563	275	101
[/]		<i>0.120</i>	<i>0.107</i>	<i>0.369</i>
H^+ 130 GeV [fb]	15700	2136	234	86
[/]		<i>0.136</i>	<i>0.109</i>	<i>0.368</i>
H^+ 150 GeV [fb]	5870	982	92	31
[/]		<i>0.167</i>	<i>0.093</i>	<i>0.343</i>
$t\bar{t} \geq 1$ $e/\mu/\tau$ [fb]	$4.52 \cdot 10^5$	56300	962	336
[/]		<i>0.125</i>	<i>0.017</i>	<i>0.349</i>
$t\bar{t}$ hadronic [fb]	$3.81 \cdot 10^5$	1746	47	16
[/]		<i>0.005</i>	<i>0.027</i>	<i>0.333</i>
single top [fb]	112500	7700	63	17
[/]		<i>0.068</i>	<i>0.008</i>	<i>0.277</i>
W + jets [fb]	277800	15500	84	30
[/]		<i>0.056</i>	<i>0.005</i>	<i>0.353</i>
QCD dijet [fb]	$3.2 \cdot 10^8$	$3.18 \cdot 10^5$	55	–
[/]		<i>0.001</i>	<i>$1.7 \cdot 10^{-4}$</i>	–

ATLAS Preliminary

Expected cross-section and relative efficiency up to Cuts II. $\tan\beta=20$ has been used for signal and SM cross-section for backgrounds.



Efficiency II

Expected cross-section and efficiency after LH cut and after a cut on m_T . Only $t\bar{t}$ bar expected to contribute at this point. $\tan\beta=20$ used for signal cross-section.

	Channel		Cut	Signal		$t\bar{t} \geq 1$ [fb]	$e/\mu/\tau$ [$\%$]
				[fb]	[$\%$]		
ATLAS Preliminary	H^+	90 GeV	LH > 0.6	60.2	0.411	64.1	0.191
			$m_T > 50$ GeV	39.2	0.652	36.2	0.565
	H^+	110 GeV	LH > 0.6	53.6	0.458	62.1	0.185
			$m_T > 60$ GeV	35.1	0.655	31.0	0.500
	H^+	120 GeV	LH > 0.6	47.2	0.466	53.8	0.160
			$m_T > 60$ GeV	36.4	0.770	32.1	0.596
	H^+	130 GeV	LH > 0.6	42.0	0.488	58.9	0.175
			$m_T > 65$ GeV	35.1	0.835	27.9	0.474
	H^+	150 GeV	LH > 0.8	14.4	0.459	32.1	0.095
			$m_T > 75$ GeV	9.7	0.671	11.4	0.355



Systematic Uncertainties



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Systematic uncertainties used % change in cross-section

Source of Uncertainty	Uncertainty and/or Resolution Function
τ energy resolution	$\sigma = 0.45 \times \sqrt{E}$
τ energy scale	-5% +5%
τ -tagging efficiency	$\pm 5\%$
Jet energy resolution	$\sigma = 0.45 \times \sqrt{E}$ for $ \eta < 3.2$ $\sigma = 0.63 \times \sqrt{E}$ for $ \eta > 3.2$
Jet energy scale	+7% for $ \eta < 3.2$ +15% for $ \eta > 3.2$ -7% for $ \eta < 3.2$ -15% for $ \eta > 3.2$
b -tagging efficiency	$\pm 5\% \epsilon_{btag}$
b -tagging light jet rejection	-10% +10%
μ energy resolution	$\sigma = 0.011/P_T \oplus 0.00017$
μ energy scale	-1% +1%
μ efficiency	$\pm 1\%$
e energy resolution	$\sigma = 0.0073 \times E_T$
e energy scale	-0.5% +0.5%
e efficiency	$\pm 0.2\%$
Correction to missing energy	Indirect effects following from the other uncertainties
Luminosity	$\pm 3\%$

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Systematic Uncertainty	1	
	S	B
τ Energy Resolution	-2	+3
τ Energy Scale	-2	+5
τ -tagging Efficiency	-5	-5
Jet Energy Resolution	-2	-3
Jet Energy Scale	-9	+12
b -tagging Efficiency	-5	-5
b -tagging Rejection	0	-14
μ Energy Resolution	-7	+10
μ Energy Scale	+7	-2
μ Efficiency	0	0
e Energy Resolution	0	0
e Energy Scale	0	0
e Efficiency	0	0
Luminosity	-3	-3
	+3	+3