



Search for vector-like quarks with top quarks at the LHC

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Vector-like quarks

- Quark-like fermions for which left-handed and right-handed fields transform in the same way under SM gauge groups
 - Mass term gauge invariant
 - Doesn't need Higgs to acquire mass
 - Does not modify EWK observables significantly
 - Arise in many models of BSM physics, e.g.,
 - Extra dimensions
 - Composite Higgs
 - Little Higgs
 - Non-minimal SUSY
 - Could include quarks with unusual charges, e.g., $T_{_{5/3}}$, $B_{_{4/3}}$
 - See theory presentations, especially M Peskin and A Deandrea
- Attractive generic signature of BSM physics

$$L = m \bar{\psi} \psi$$



Experimental signatures

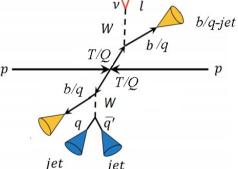
• Usually assume pair production – important for inclusive searches

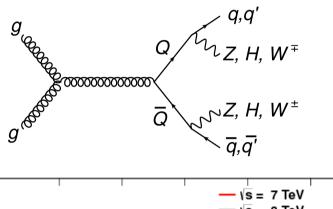
High-p_T isolated leptons

Significant jet activity

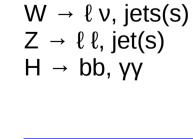
Multiple b jets

- Single production may become important at higher masses
- Primarily search via coupling to 3rd generation
 - − T → bW, tZ, tH
 - B \rightarrow tW, bZ, bH
- Other modes possible:
 - $Q \rightarrow qW$
 - BSM charges possible, e.g., U(1)': $B \rightarrow Z'b \rightarrow bbb$ (Fox, Tucker-Smith, arXiv:1509.00499)





HATHOR, from additional CMS material for PLB 729, 149 (2014)



 $t \rightarrow Wb$



Spoiler

- No significant excess observed yet
- Reported here:
 - Recent 8 TeV results, mostly with a final state t
 - Developing techniques: jet substructure, multivariate optimization
- Eagerly await analysis of 13 TeV data
- Outline
 - Single lepton signatures
 - Same-sign dilepton signatures
 - Non-leptonic signatures
 - Limits





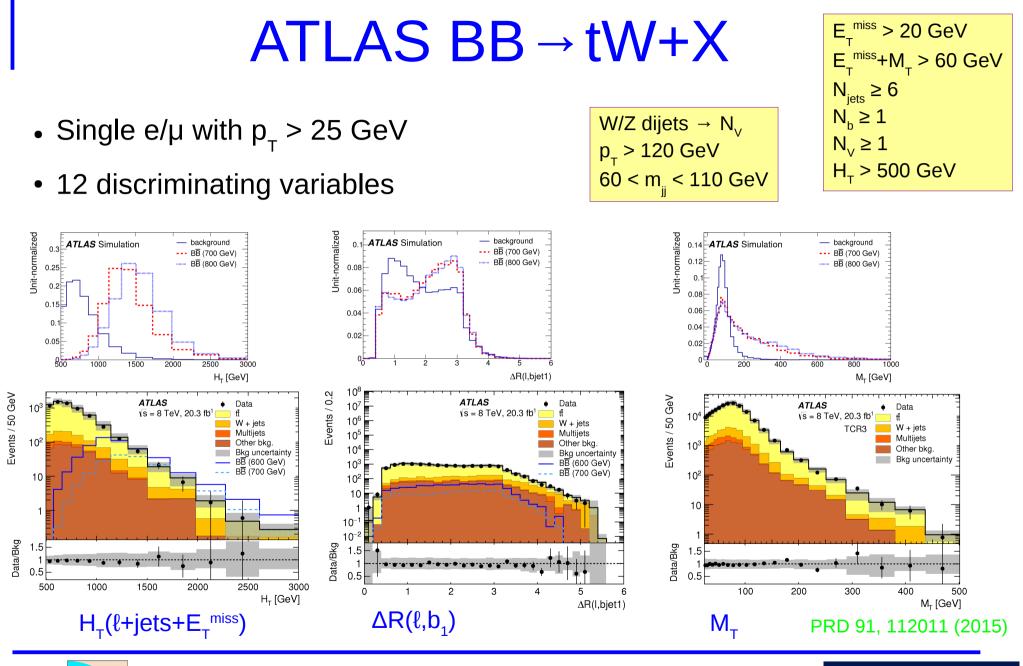
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		T	PRD 91, 112011 (2015)	
		Q	arXiv:1509.04261	PAS B2G-12-017
2	Same-sign dilepton	В	arXiv:1504.04605	arXiv:1507.07129
		Т	arXiv:1504.04605	PLB 729, 149 (2014)
		T _{5/3}	arXiv:1504.04605	PRL 112, 171801 (2014)
	Opp-sign dileptons	В	JHEP 11, 104 (2014)	arXiv:1507.07129
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		Т		arXiv:1509.04177 JHEP 06, 80 (2015)
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≥1	Single production		JHEP 11, 104 (2014) EXOT-2014-13	
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Single lepton signatures









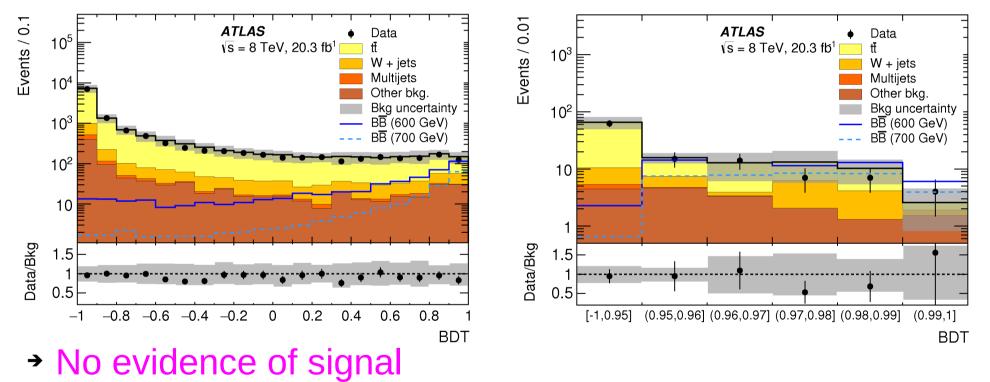
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$\textbf{ATLAS BB} \rightarrow tW\text{+}X$

• Boosted decision tree (BDT): combine 12 observables into one discriminant



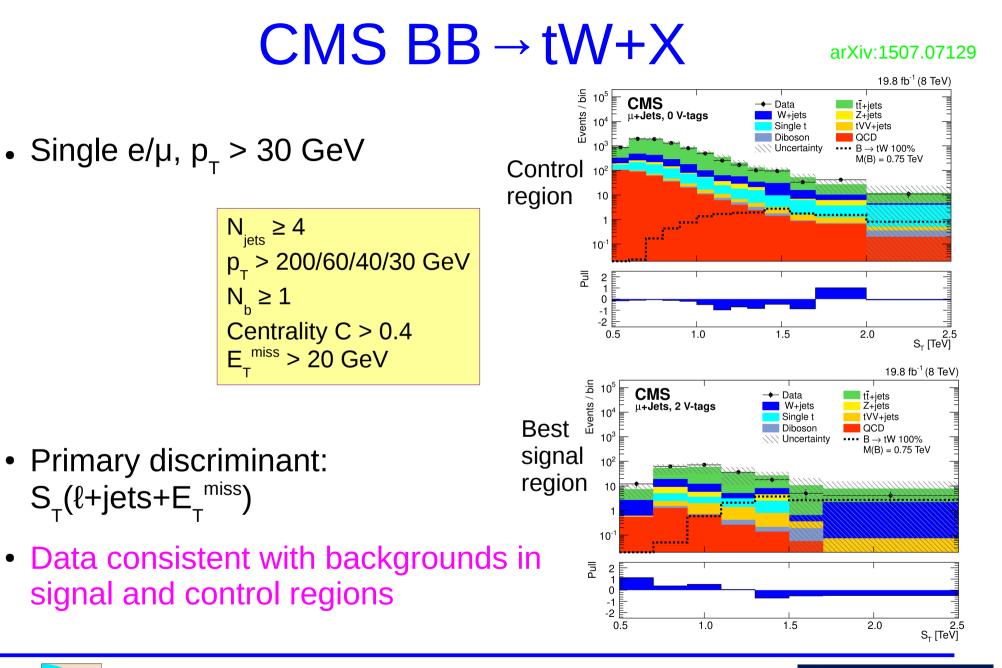
→ Can also be interpreted as limit on T_{5/3}

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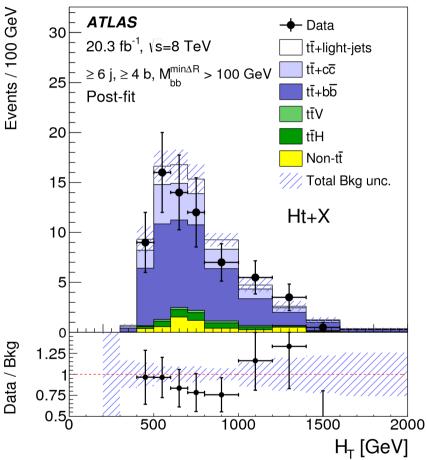






ATLAS TT \rightarrow tH+X, H \rightarrow bb

• H candidate:



Single e/ μ , $p_{T} > 25 \text{ GeV}$ $E_{T}^{\text{miss}} > 20 \text{ GeV}$ $E_{T}^{\text{miss}} + M_{T} > 60 \text{ GeV}$

- 2 b-tagged jets with minimum ΔR
- m_{bb} > 100 GeV
- Primary discriminant: $H_{T}(\ell + jets + E_{T}^{miss})$

Also set limits on tttt for various models

- Use lower $\rm N_{\rm jets}$ and $\rm N_{\rm b}$ regions to constrain backgrounds
- Best region for signal:

$$- N_{jets} \ge 6$$

 $-N_b \ge 4$

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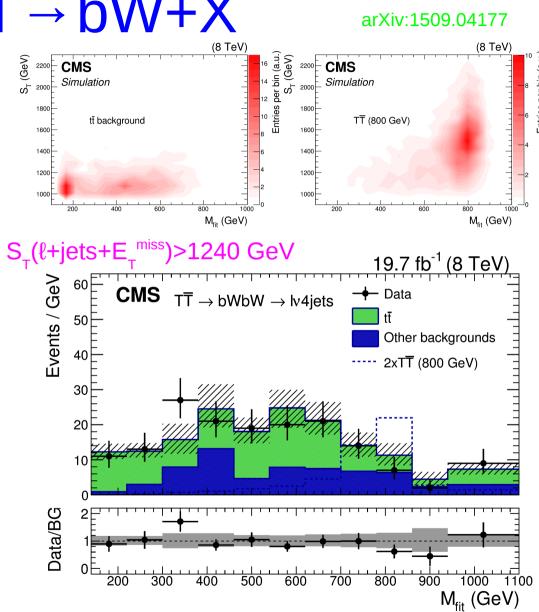


$CMS \ TT \rightarrow bW + X$

- Use substructure to tag high- \mathbf{p}_{τ} W's
- Constrain W and M_{fit} -mass combinations to resolve T pair Single e/µ, $p_T > 30/45$ GeV $N_{jets} \ge 4$ $p_T > 120/90/50/30$ GeV $N_W = 0$ or 1 $N_W = 1$ or 2 $E_T^{miss} > 30$ GeV

Dijet or single-jet $W \rightarrow N_w$ Single-jet W tag:

- Pruned Cambridge-Aachen, R=0.8
- $p_{_{T}} > 200 \text{ GeV}, 60 < m_{_{jet}} < 110 \text{ GeV}$
- Mass drop µ≡m₁/m_{jet} < 0.4
- Similar analysis used for $QQ \rightarrow qW + X$





ATLAS $QQ \rightarrow qW+X$

- Search for generic VLQ decaying to qW
- Use splitting scale y_{12} in dijet W $y_{12} \equiv \frac{\min(p_{T1}, p_{T2})^2 \Delta R_{12}^2}{m_{12}^2}$ Dijet W: √s=8 TeV, 20.3 fb⁻¹ $\Delta R_{12} < 1$ • Pair jets with W's: 🔶 Data p₋ > 200 GeV final selection Signal(600) 65 < m_{..} < 100 GeV $- p_T(q_1) > 160 \text{ GeV}$ Signal(700) y₁₂ > 0.25 Signal(800) $- p_{\tau}(q_2) > 120 \text{ GeV}$ W+jets non-W+jets Resolve qW combinations ///// Total bkg. uncert. 15 - Δm < 120 GeV 10 Back-to-back topology • H_⊤(ℓ+E_⊤^{miss}+4jets) > 1100 GeV Primary discriminant: resolved mass 200 400 800 600 1000 1200

Single e/ μ , p_{τ} > 25 GeV $E_{\tau}^{miss} > 20 \text{ GeV}$ $E_{T}^{miss}+M_{T} > 60 \text{ GeV}$ $W_{lep}: p_{T} > 125 \text{ GeV}$ $N_{jets} \ge 4, N_b = 0$

arXiv:1509.04261

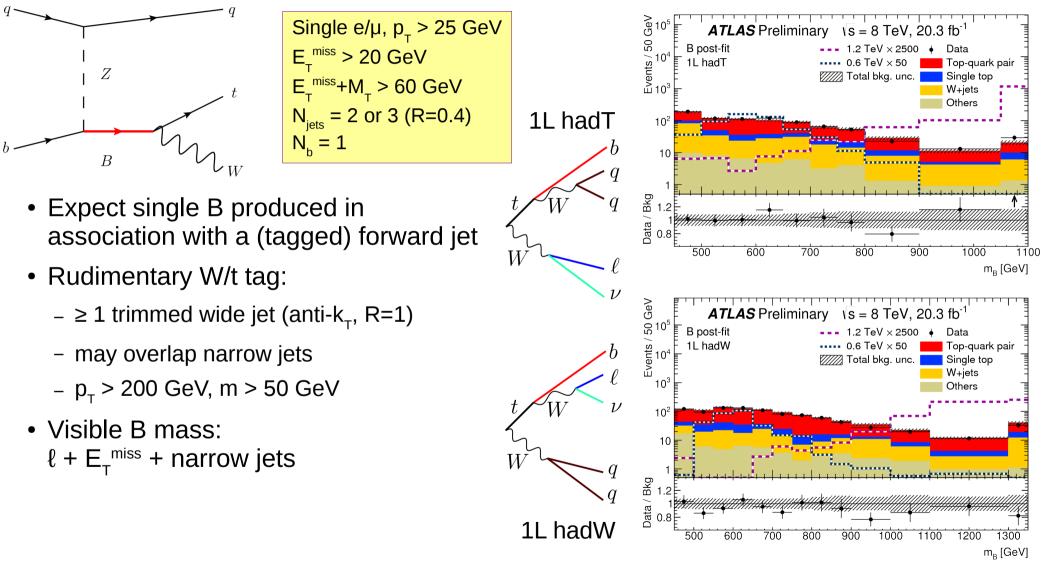


m_{reco} [GeV]



ATLAS Single $B \rightarrow tW$



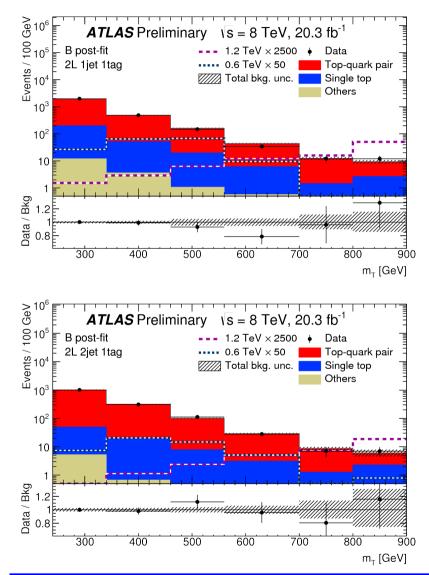




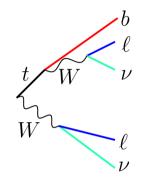


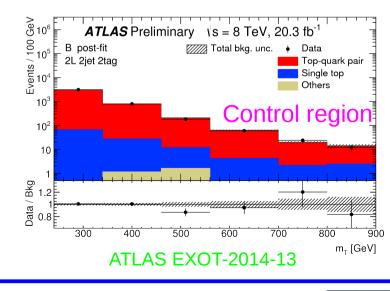


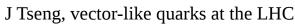
ATLAS Single $B \rightarrow tW$



- Opposite sign eµ pair
 - No additional E_{T}^{miss} requirements
- 1 central b-tagged leading jet near lepton ($\Delta \phi < 0.9$)
- 1 forward jet: $1.5 < |\eta| < 4.5$
 - Not b-tagged if $|\eta| < 2.5$
- Use $m_{_{T}}$ of eµ, $E_{_{T}}^{_{miss}}$, and leading jet





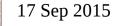






Same-sign dilepton signatures



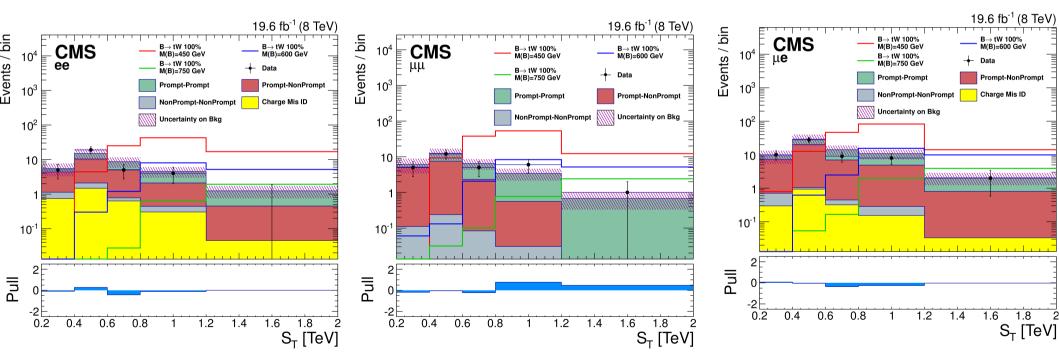






$CMS \ BB \to tW + X \to \ell^{\pm}\ell^{\pm} + jets$

- Take advantage of pair production
 - e.g., BB \rightarrow WWWWbb



arXiv:1507.07129

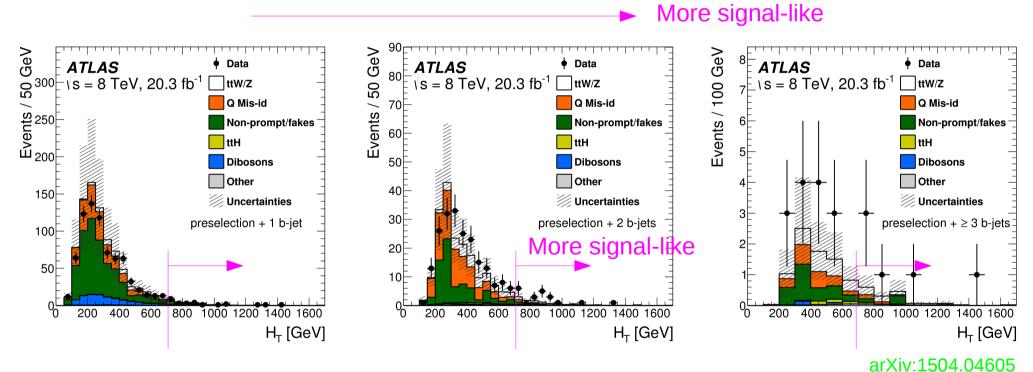




ATLAS $\ell^{\pm}\ell^{\pm}$ + jets

Lepton $p_{\tau} > 25 \text{ GeV}$ $E_{\tau}^{\text{miss}} > 40 \text{ GeV}$ $m_{ee} > 15 \text{ GeV}, \text{ not } Z$ $H_{\tau}(\ell + \text{jets}) > 400 \text{ GeV}$

Same-sign ee or μμ



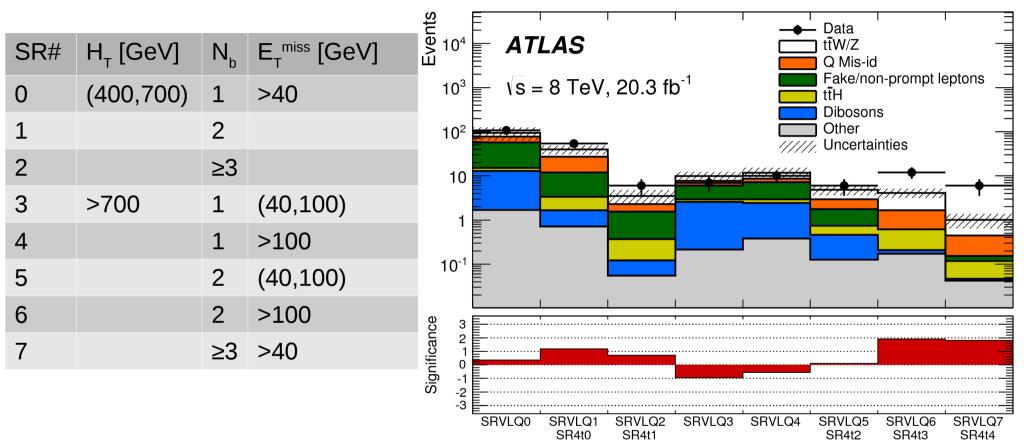
Define 8 signal regions for different VLQ's





ATLAS $\ell^{\pm}\ell^{\pm}$ + jets

arXiv:1504.04605



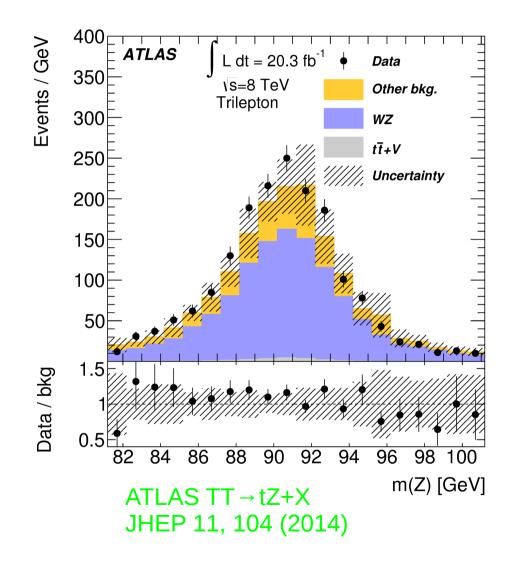
• Small excess (~1-2 σ) in two signal regions





Multilepton signatures

- Not enough time to cover here (somewhat older results)
- Sometimes it's nice to remember what a real particle looks like

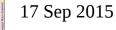






Non-leptonic signatures (CMS)



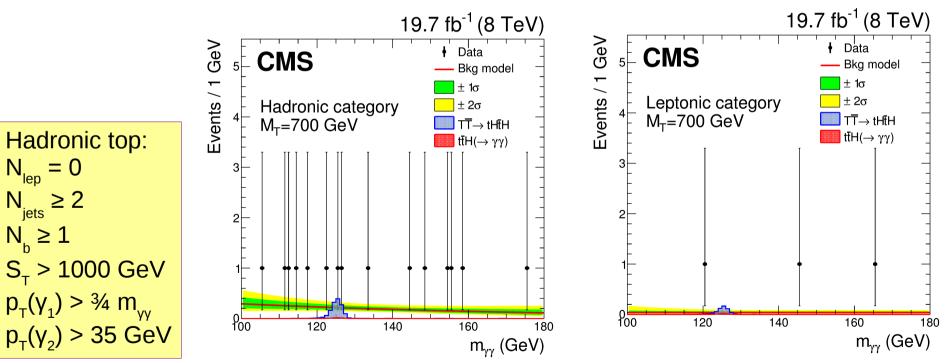








- Start with diphoton events
- Reconstruct narrow H resonance



arXiv:1509.04177

Leptonic top:

 $S_{\tau} > 770 \text{ GeV}$

 $p_T(\gamma_1) > \frac{1}{2} m_{vv}$

 $p_{T}(\gamma_{2}) > 25 \text{ GeV}$

 $N_{lep} \ge 1$

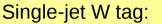
 $N_{jets} \ge 2$



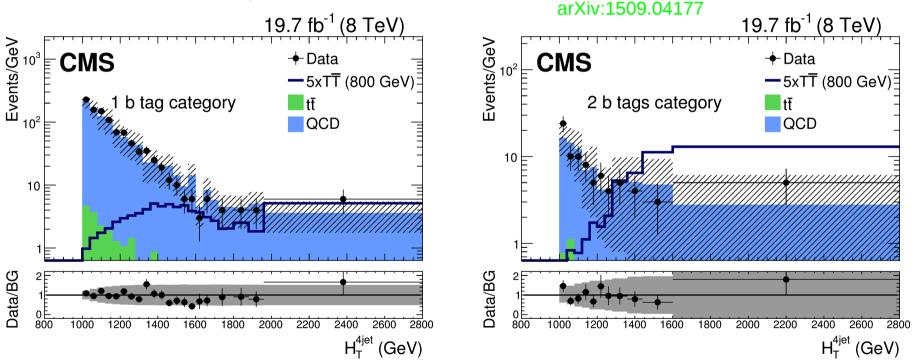


Hadronic TT \rightarrow bW+X

- 2 single-jet W's, 2 b's \rightarrow H_T(4 jets)
- Resolve opposite T's with mass difference
 - T mass > 200 GeV, back-to-back



- Pruned Cambridge-Aachen, R=0.8
- $p_{T} > 150 \text{ GeV}, 60 < m_{iet} < 100 \text{ GeV}$
- Mass drop μ≡m₁/m_{iet} < 0.4



- CMS has also used substructure techniques in all-hadronic $B \rightarrow bH \rightarrow bbb$

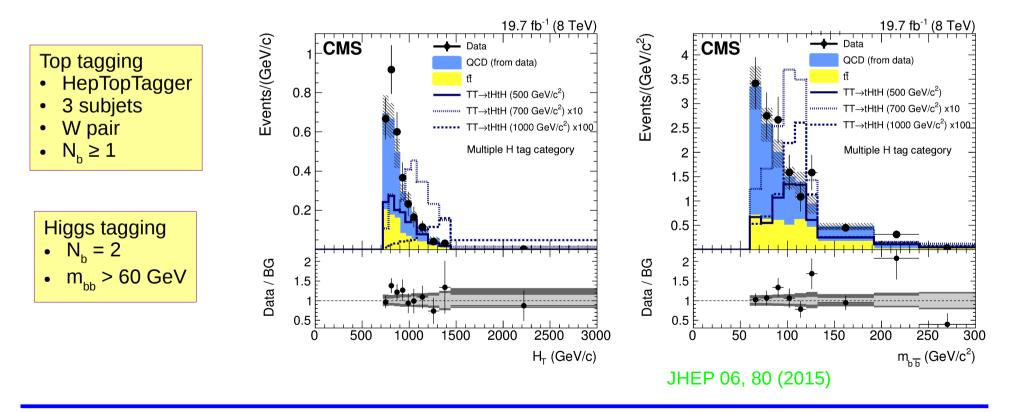




Hadronic TT \rightarrow tH+X

- Use top and Higgs jet tagging
 - CA, R=1.5, filtered for subjets
- Combined discriminant: H_{T} (subjets), m_{bb}

 $N_{t} \ge 1, p_{T} > 200 \text{ GeV}$ $N_{H} \ge 1, p_{T} > 150 \text{ GeV}$ $H_{T}(\text{subjets}) > 720 \text{ GeV}$

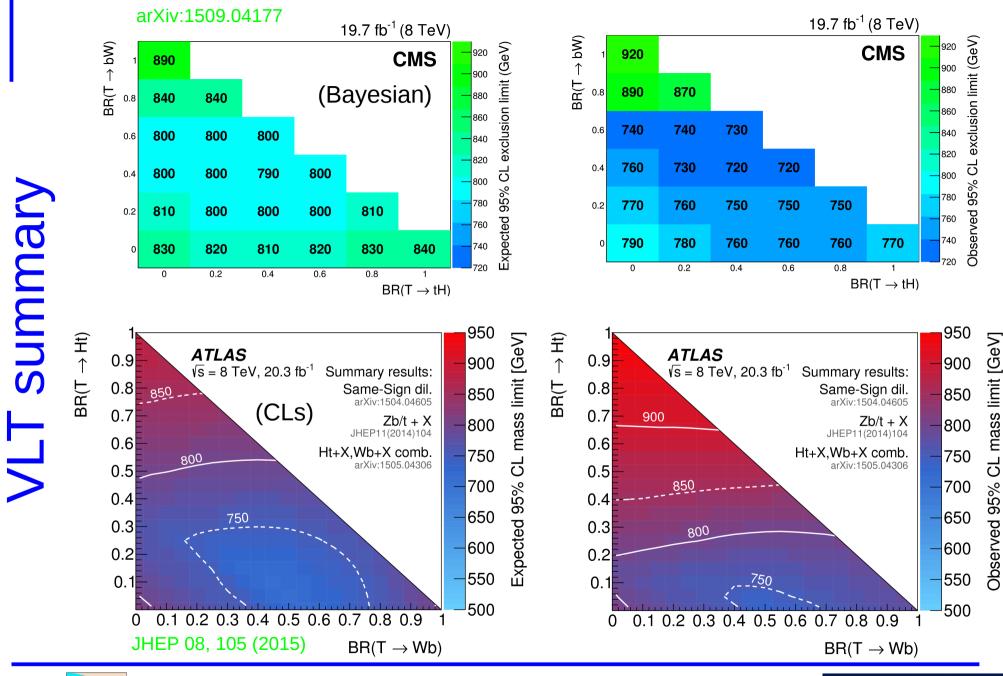


Limits





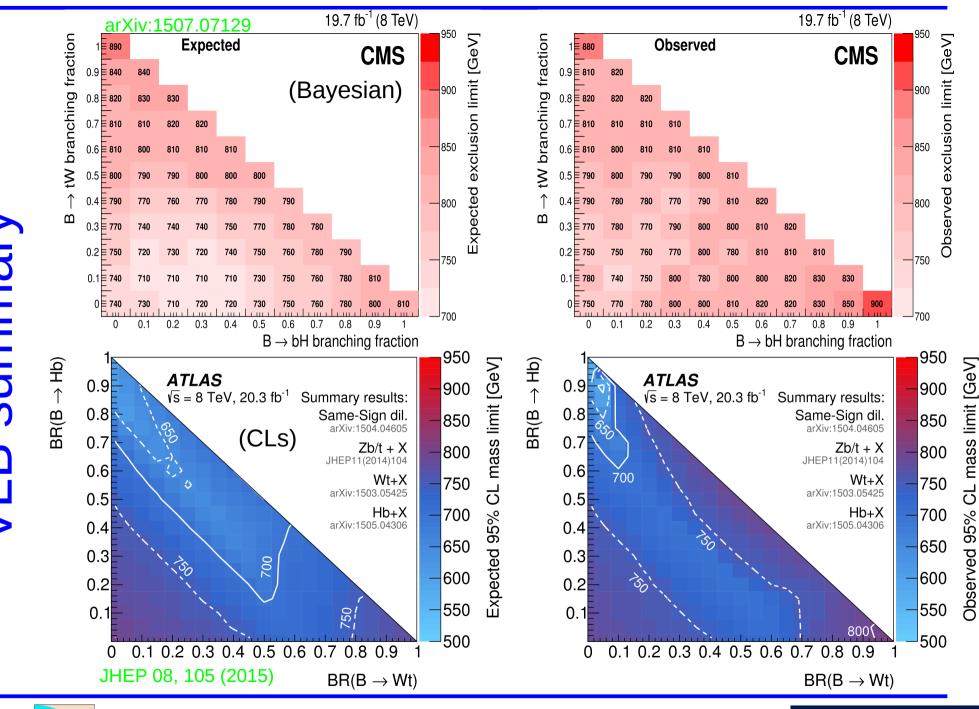




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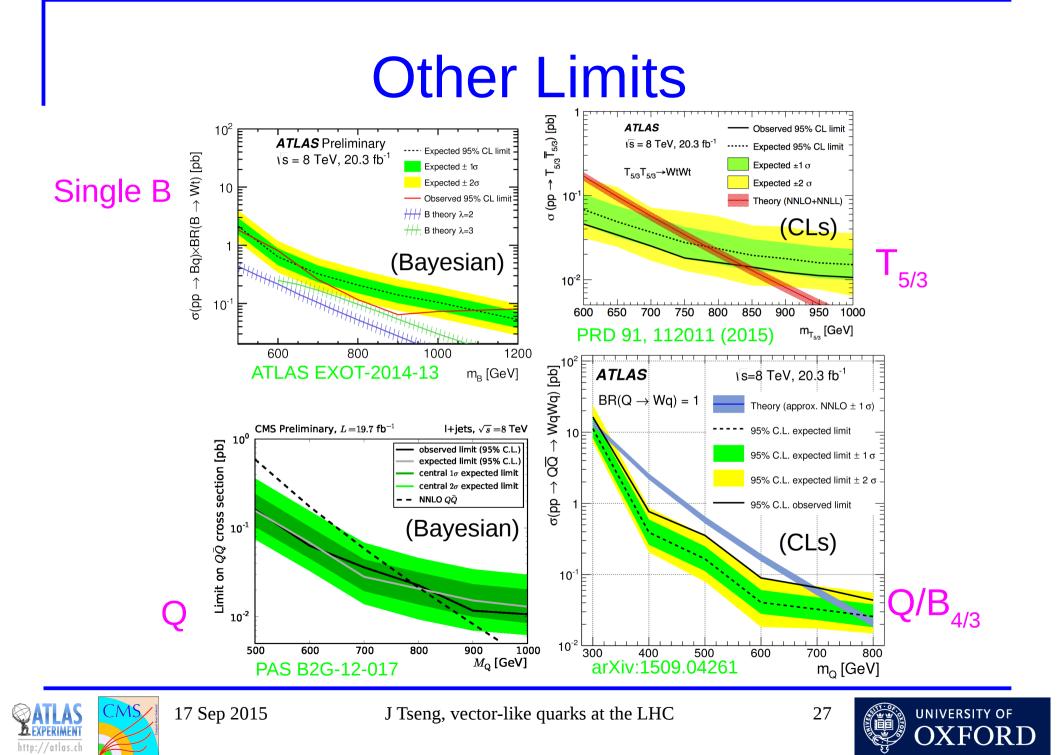
VLB summary

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Summary

- Vector-like quarks remain a promising signature for new physics
- No significant signals in 8 TeV LHC data
 - Mass limits pushing above 750 GeV (95% CL) irrespective of model
 - Most stringent single T_{5/3} limit at 840 GeV (95% CL)
 - Q limits with BR(Q \rightarrow qW)=1: 690 GeV (ATLAS), 788 GeV (CMS preliminary)
 - Not quite "Don't know a number, but if you want one, 2 TeV" (M Peskin)
- Experiments pursuing/increasing use of a number of techniques to increase sensitivity
 - Boosted jet substructure
 - Multivariate optimization
 - Probes of electroweak single production
- Eagerly await analysis of 13 TeV data







Backup







Observables (broad outline)

	ATLAS	CMS
Luminosity	20.3 fb ⁻¹	19.7 fb ⁻¹
Trigger	e/µ	e/µ, all-hadronic
Isolated electrons	$E_{T} > 25 \text{ GeV}$ $\Delta R > 0.4 \text{ from jets}$	р _т > 30 GeV
Isolated muons	$p_{T} > 25 \text{ GeV}$ $\Delta R > 0.4 \text{ from jets}$	р _т > 30 GeV
Taus (hadronic)		HPS (hadron+strip) algorithm $p_{T} > 20 \text{ GeV}$ $\Delta R > 0.1 \text{ from leptons}$
Jets	Anti-k _⊤ , R=0.4 p _⊤ > 25 GeV	Anti-k _⊤ , R=0.5 p _⊤ > 30 GeV
E _T ^{miss}	Calorimeter	Particle flow





Systematic uncertainties

- > Jet energy scale/resolution
- > PDF's
- Integrated luminosity
- Background rates and distributions
 - tt + jets, ttV, single t
 - Single/double/triple W/Z production
 - QCD multijet

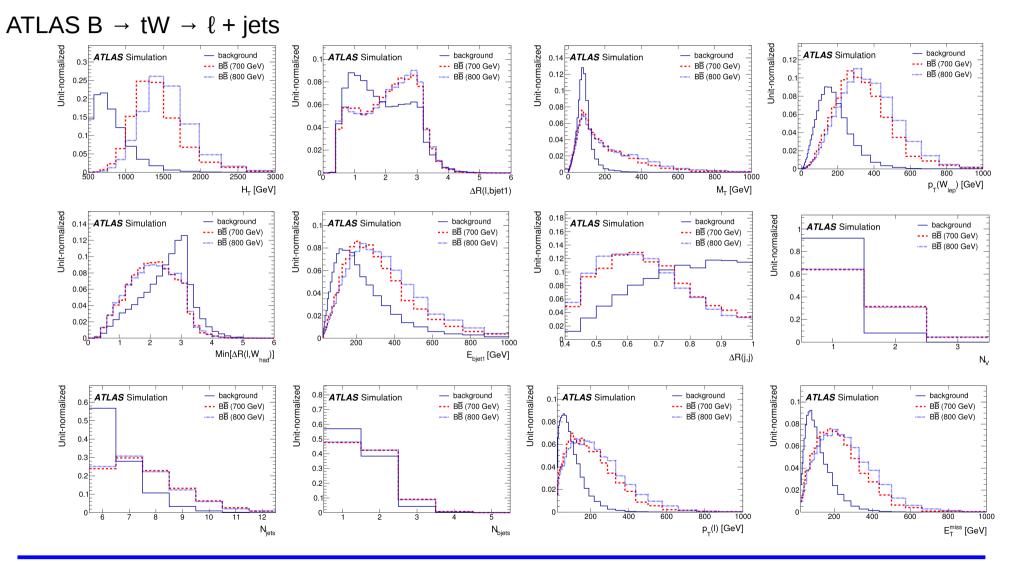
- Lepton/jet reconstruction efficiency
- b(c)-tagging efficiency
- E_{T}^{miss} resolution
- Pileup
- Factorization/renormalization scale

 Uncertainty on background determination to compare with data





Discriminating VLQ's





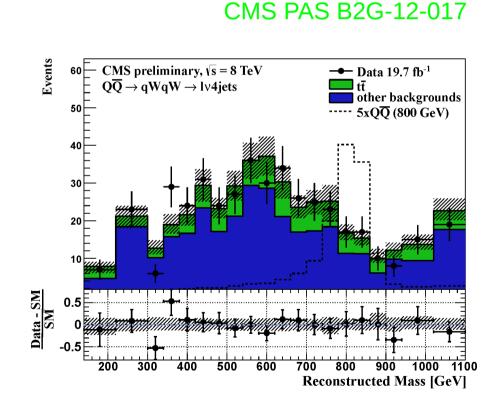
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$CMS \ QQ \rightarrow qW + X$

- Same analysis technique as $TT \rightarrow bW+X$
 - Looser b tag operating points + Quark-Gluon Likelihood Discrimination Tagger (QGT)
 - Select light quark jets
- S_T(l+E_T^{miss}+4jets) > 1000 GeV

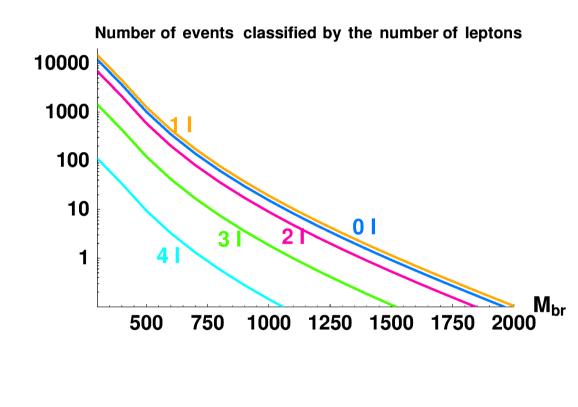








Multilepton signatures



- 1 and 2 leptons capture most of the rate
- 3 leptons ~O(10) lower, but purer
- 2007 plot of rate vs number of leptons

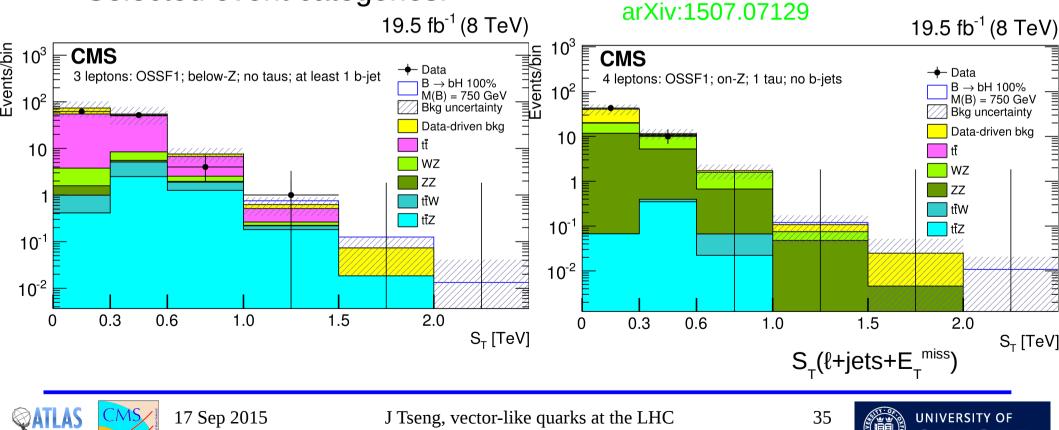
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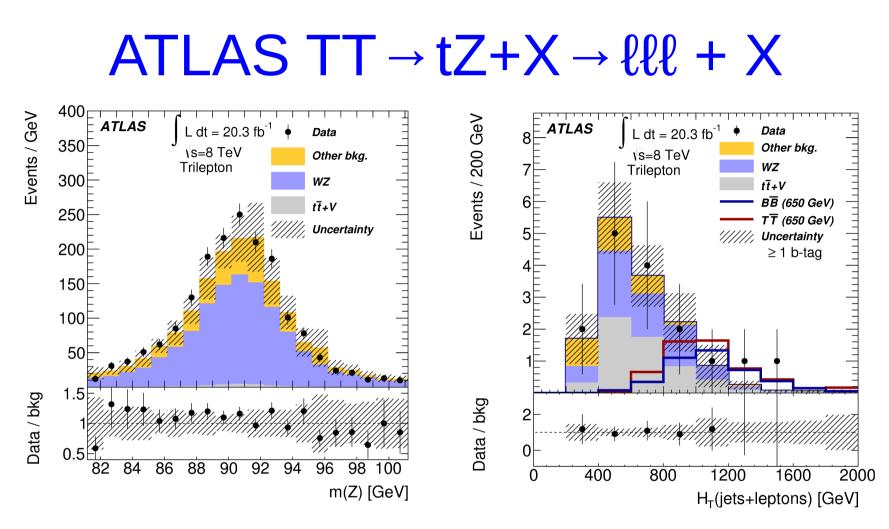




$CMS \ BB \to tW/bZ + X \to \ell\ell\ell \ + \ X$

- Most sensitive to tW and bZ decay modes
- Uses e, μ , and hadronic τ with $p_{\tau} > 20/10$ GeV
- Selected event categories:





• $p_T(Z) > 150 \text{ GeV}, N_{jets} \ge 2, N_b \ge 1$

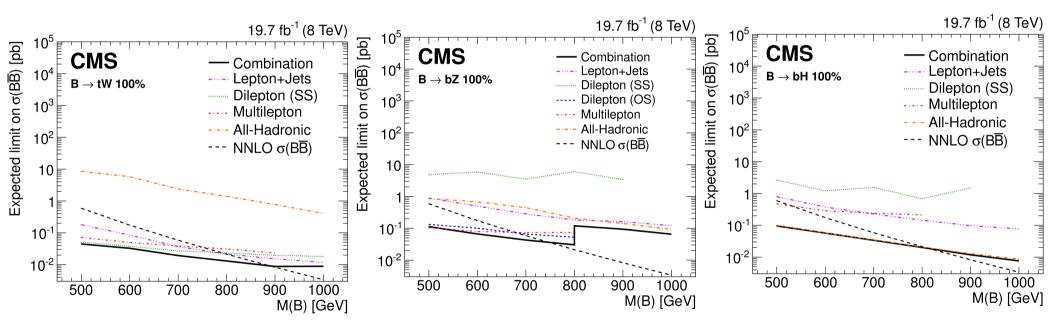
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 Also included search for single T production by requiring ≥ 1 forward jet

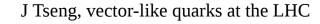




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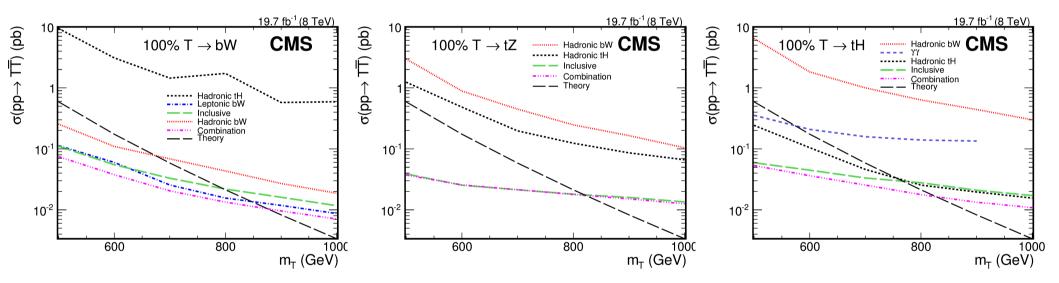






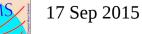
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