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# High energy photoproduction at the LHC

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## Overview :

- Introduction to photon-proton procedure
- Detection and tagging
- Associated WH
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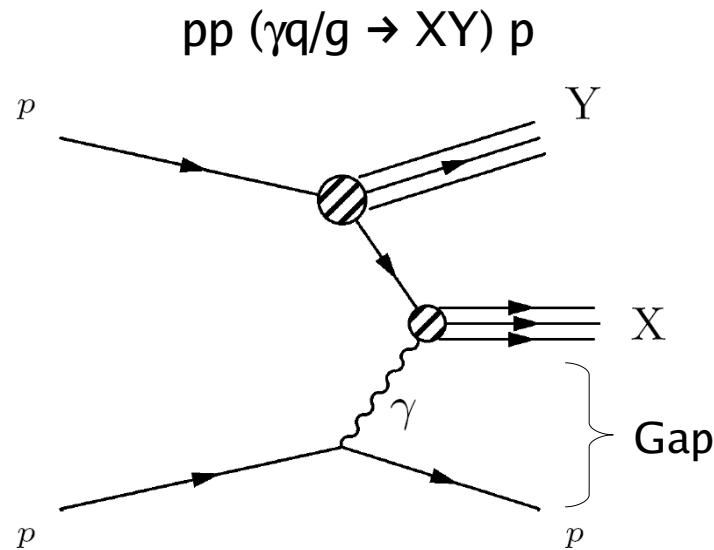
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## LHC : a new HERA collider !

Photoproduction is traditionally studied at e-p colliders



- $\gamma p$  events can also be tagged at the LHC
  - e.g. Using Large Rapidity Gaps (LRG)
- **Higher luminosity** than  $\gamma\gamma$  events
- Probe electroweak sector up to/beyond 2 TeV !

Using EPA

$$\sigma_{pp} = \int \sigma_{\gamma q/g}(\hat{W}_{\gamma q/g}) f_\gamma(x_1) f_{q/g}(x_2, Q^2) dx_1 dx_2$$

where  $\hat{W}_{\gamma q/g}^2 = 4 E_p x_1 x_2$

**BUT** pp events are more dangerous backgrounds than in  $\gamma\gamma$  interactions!



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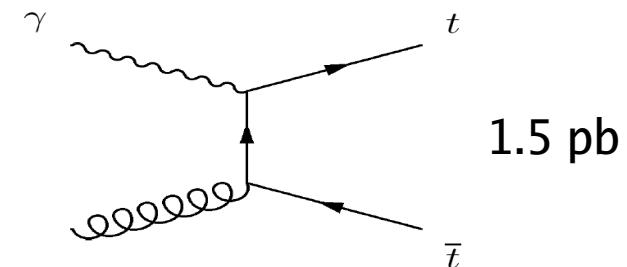
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## $\gamma p$ cross sections

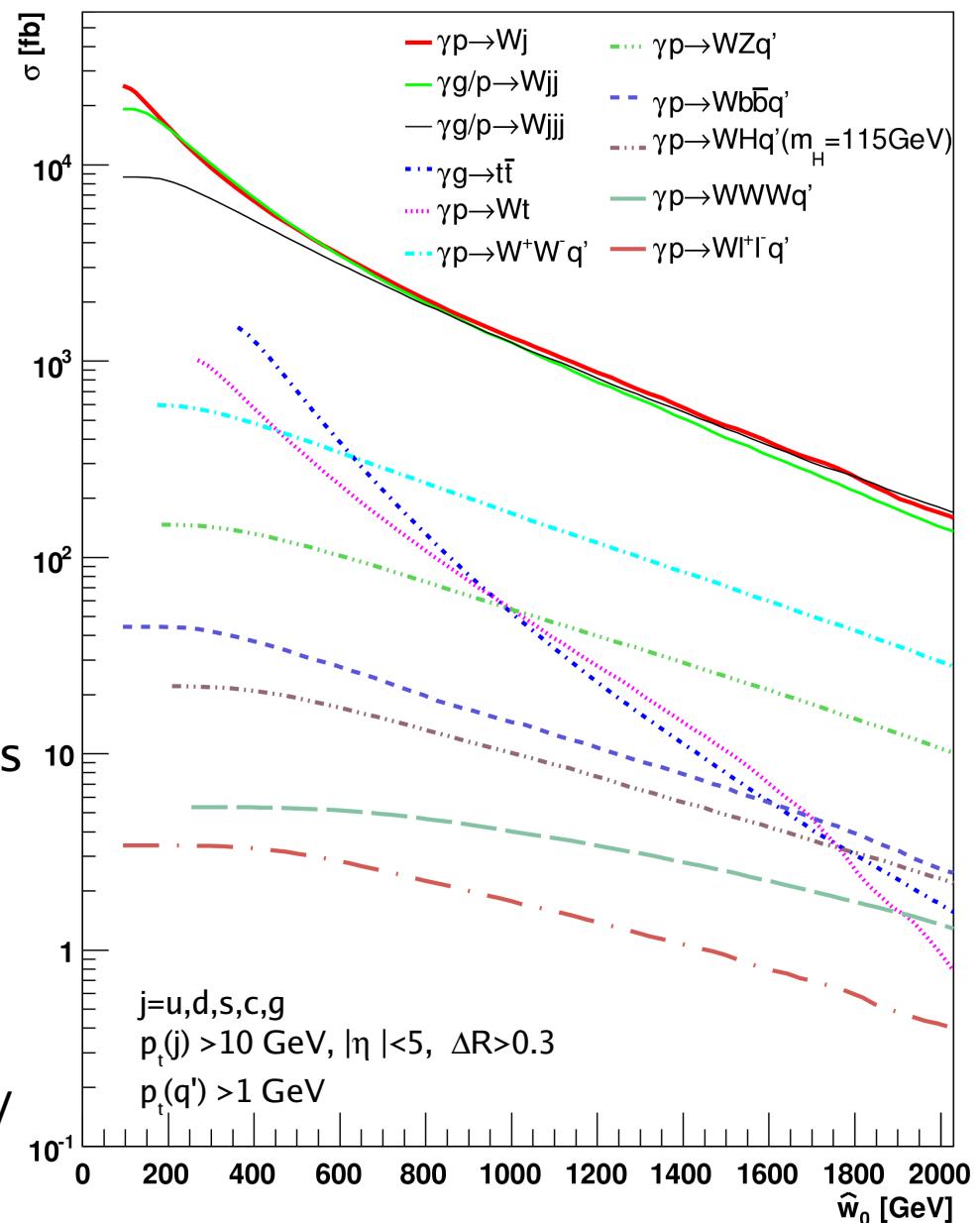
- Large variety of processes
- Significant cross sections up to 2 TeV

e.g.



- Alternative way to pp interactions to study
  1. Higgs search
  2. Top physics (e.g.  $|V_{tb}|$ )
  3. New phenomena up to 2 TeV
- Very good S/B expected

Obtained using MadGraph/MadEvent





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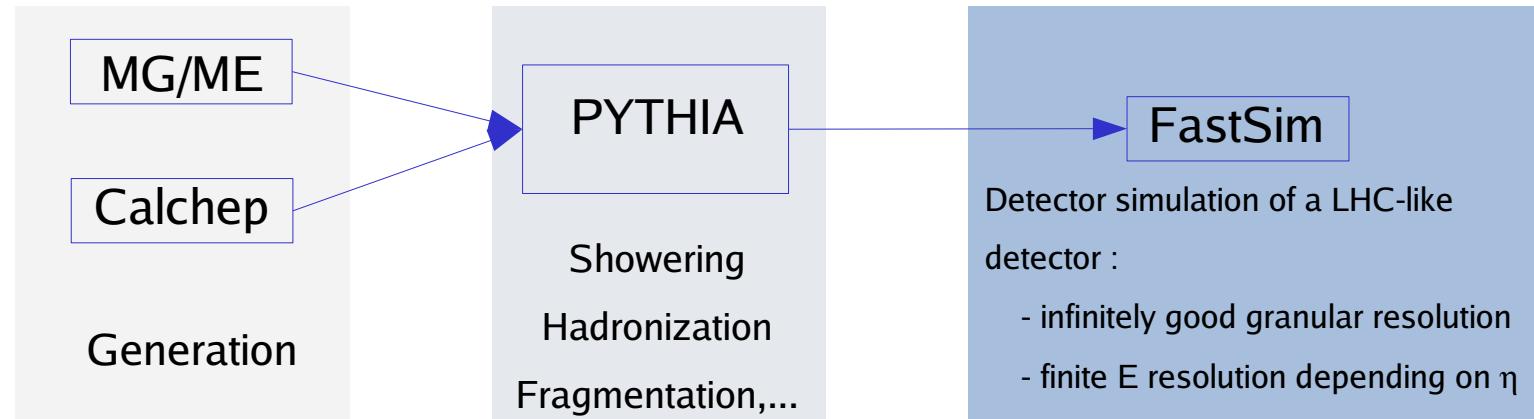
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## Simulation procedure

Jets in the final state require careful simulation of acceptance cuts!



## Objects reconstruction

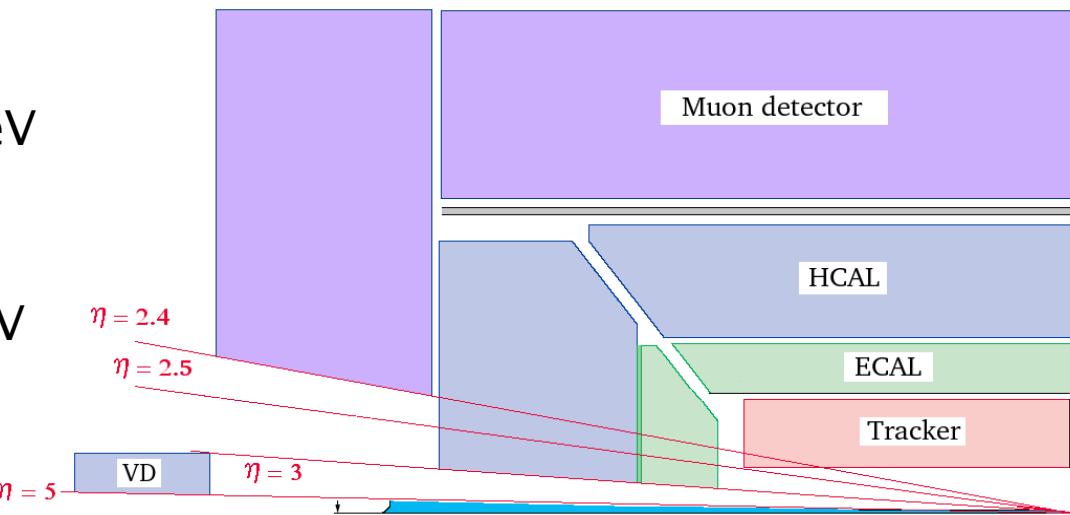
Leptons :  $|\eta| < 2.5$ ,  $p_T > 10$  GeV

Jets : reconstructed in a cone

$R = 0.7$  for  $|\eta| < 3$ ,  $p_T > 20$  GeV

b-tagging : for  $|\eta| < 2.5$

- tagging efficiency : 40%,  $\eta = 5$
- mistagging of 1% for  $j=u,d,s,g$
- mistagging of 10% for  $j=c$ .



Observability of photo-induced processes is determined using **acceptance cuts** with these thresholds



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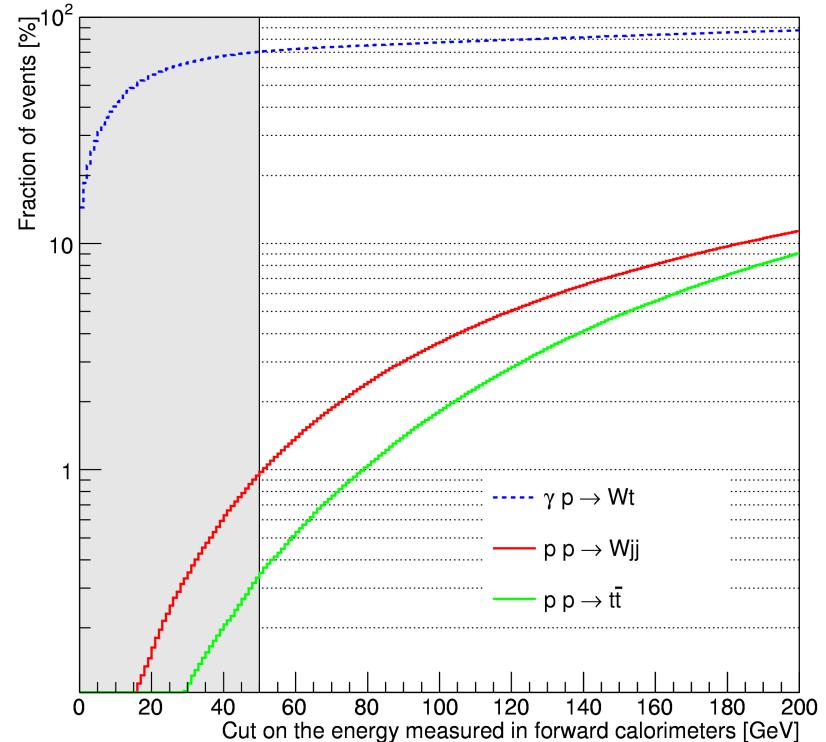
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## Detection and tagging

### Very low luminosity phase ( $<10^{33} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$ )

- Small event pile-up
- **Large rapidity gap (LRG) signature can be used**
- For example, forward energy flows (into  $3 < |\eta| < 5$ ) in one of the two hemispheres less than 50 GeV



**Advantage :** independent on very forward detectors features (Roman Pots)

**Drawback :** - low integrated luminosity expected

- kinematics is less constrain

- Expected integrated luminosity of  $1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$

### Low luminosity phase ( $\sim 10^{33} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$ )

- Use of very forward detector is mandatory !
- Exclusivity cuts can be applied (e.g. vetoing soft tracks from event vertex)
- Expected integrated luminosity of  $10-30 \text{ fb}^{-1}$



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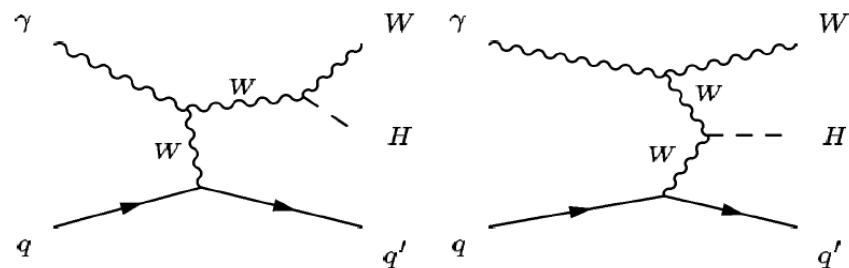
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## Associated WH production

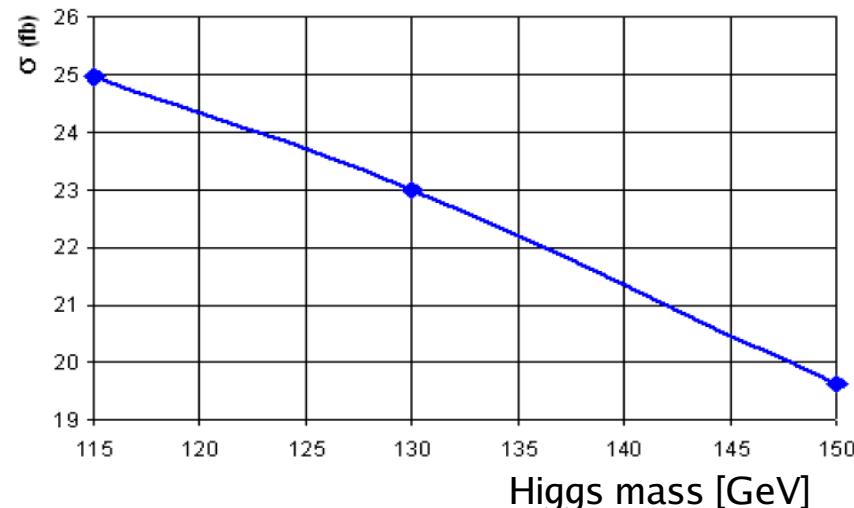


- Associated production of  $WH$  has significant cross section at LHC !
- $t\bar{t}$  less overwhelming than in  $pp$  case!

### Five topologies where studied

- $WH \rightarrow l\nu b\bar{b}$ ,  $l = e, \mu, \tau$ ,
- $WH \rightarrow W\tau^+\tau^- \rightarrow jjl^+l^-$ ,  $l = e, \mu$ ,
- $WH \rightarrow W\tau^+\tau^- \rightarrow jjl^+\tau_h^-$ ,  $l = e, \mu$ ,
- $WH \rightarrow WW^+W^- \rightarrow lll$ ,  $l = e, \mu, \tau$ ,
- $WH \rightarrow WW^+W^- \rightarrow jjl^\pm l^\pm$ ,  $l = e, \mu, \tau$ .

Obtained using MadGraph/MadEvent



Topology	$l\nu b\bar{b}$	$jjl^+l^-$	$jjl^+\tau_h^-$	$lll$	$jjl^\pm l^\pm$
$\sigma$ $WHq'$ [fb]	5.42	0.14	0.52	0.55	1.17
$\sigma_{acc}$	0.11	0.01	0.04	0.07	0.23
Irreducible backgrounds ( $t\bar{t}$ , $Wt$ , $Wzq'$ , $WWW$ , $Wllq'$ , $Wbbq'$ )					
$\sigma_{acc}$ bkg	3.21	28.6	8.26	1.44	0.30

Results after application of acceptance cuts

- Very small statistics  $\rightarrow$  not a discovery channel
- Interesting sensitivity for 2 topologies :  $l\nu b\bar{b}$  and  $jjl^\pm l^\pm$
- For analysis, more specified cuts can be applied.



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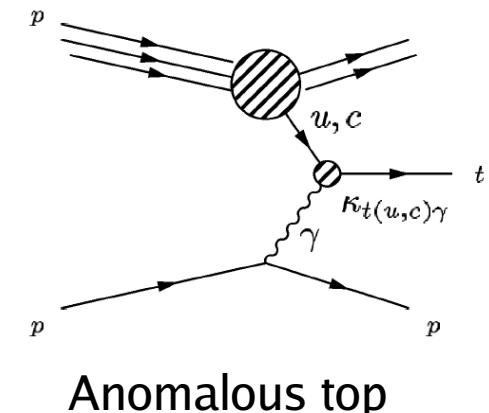
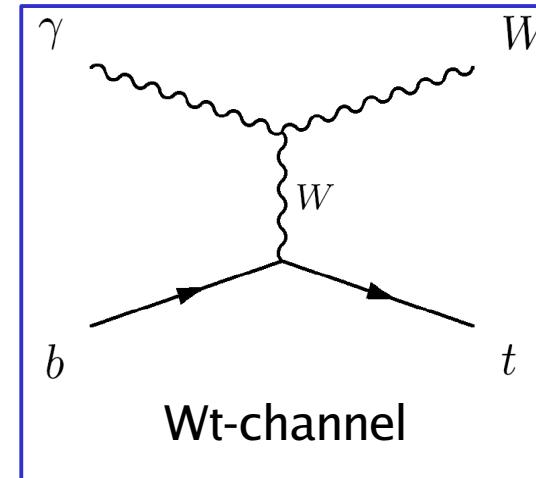
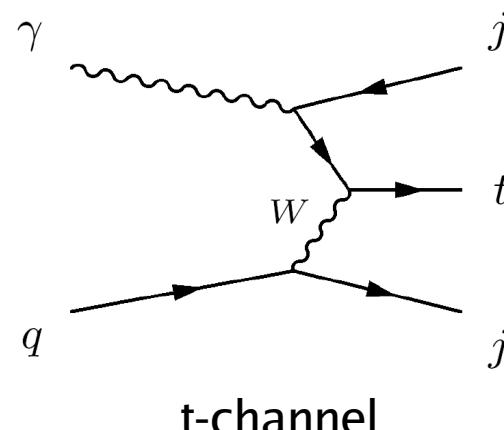
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## The LHC is a Top factory!



## pp vs $\gamma p$ cross sections

### Physics highlights

- Wt and t-channel related to  $V_{tb}$
  - Sensitivity to new physics : FCNC
  - Possibility to study top properties (mass, charge,...)
  - Wt-channel : more favorable background condition than pp case
  - What kind of uncertainty is reachable on  $|V_{tb}|$ ?
- |            | pp            | $\gamma p$    |
|------------|---------------|---------------|
| Wt-channel | $\sim 60$ pb  | $\sim 1$ pb   |
| t-channel  | $\sim 245$ pb | $\sim 6.2$ fb |
| $Wjjj$     | $\sim 35$ nb  | $8.7$ pb      |
| $tt$       | $\sim 720$ pb | $1.5$ pb      |
- $$\frac{\sigma_{Wt}}{\sigma_{tt}} \simeq 0.7$$



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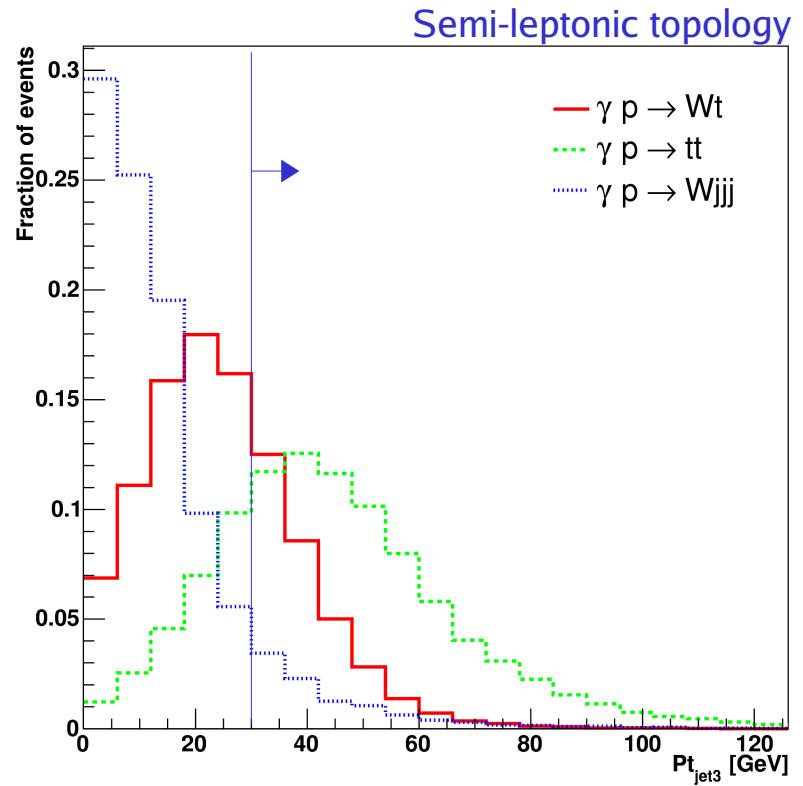
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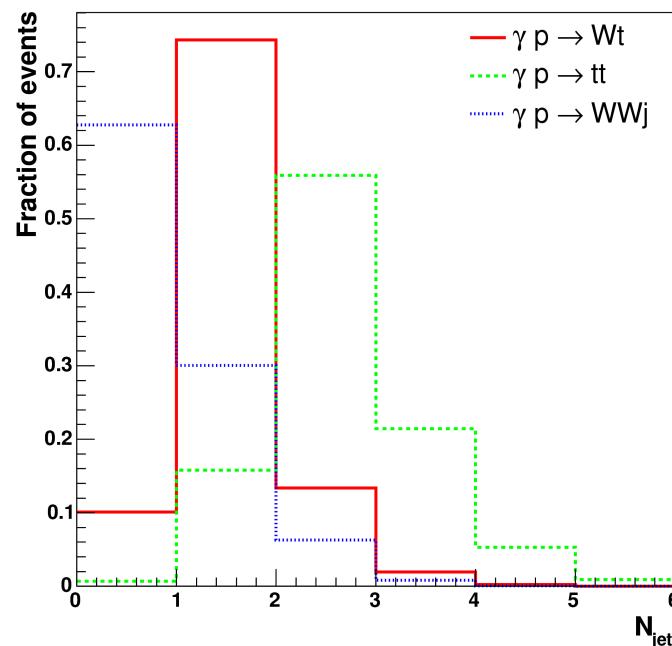
## Typical analysis cuts

### Semi-leptonic topology

- 1 isolated lepton with  $p_t > 20$  GeV
- 3 jets with  $p_t > 30$  GeV
- 1 tagged b-jet
- $H_t$  (scalar sum of all visible  $E_t$ 's)  $< 230$  GeV
- $M(bb)$  in a window of 20 GeV around  $M_t$



### Di-leptonic topology



### Di-leptonic topology

- 2 isolated leptons with  $p_t > 20$  GeV
- 1 jet with  $p_t > 30$  GeV
- jet tagged as b-jet
- Missing  $E_t > 20$  GeV



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## $\sigma$ uncertainty : semi-leptonic topology

- Cross sections after analysis cuts

		$\gamma p$ backgrounds					pp backgrounds				
	Wt	tt(1l)	tt(2l)	W3j	Wbbj	tt(1l)	tt(2l)	W+jets	Wbbj	tj	
$\sigma$ [fb]	440.6	671.75	159.08	2792.97	55.22	328025	77680	3261000	266587	67005	
$\sigma_{\text{acc}}$	7.35	3.39	0.63	0.79	0.04	8.3	1.76	9.65	2.73	0.56	

- Uncertainties after  $10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$

Source	Uncertainty	$\Delta\sigma/\sigma$ (semi-lept)
Statistical uncertainty	-	25.5%
Integrated luminosity	5%	10.5%
Theoretical uncertainty	-	9.7%
Jet energy Scale	5% (20 GeV) 3% (50 GeV)	23.4%
b-tagging efficiency	5%	24.0%
Total systematic uncertainty		34.9%

- This result can be improved (e.g. : tagging, exclusivity,...)
- More efficient suppression of **pp backgrounds** is mandatory!



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## $\sigma$ uncertainty di-leptonic topology

- Cross sections after analysis cuts

		$\gamma p$ bkg			$pp$ bkg	
	Wt	tt	WWq'	tt	WWj	
$\sigma$ [fb]	104.33	159.1	62.5	77680	5234	
$\sigma_{acc}$	5.8	1.97	0.12	2.55	0.23	

- Uncertainties after  $10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$

Source	Uncertainty	$\Delta\sigma/\sigma(\text{di-lept})$
Statistical uncertainty	-	17.6%
Integrated luminosity	5%	5.7%
Theoretical uncertainty	-	2.75%
Jet Energy Scale	5% (20 GeV) 3% (50 GeV)	10.7%
Btagging efficiency	5%	9.1%
Total systematic uncertainty		14.3%

Uncertainty on  $|V_{tb}|$  : 12.1%

→ di-leptonic topology is competitive !



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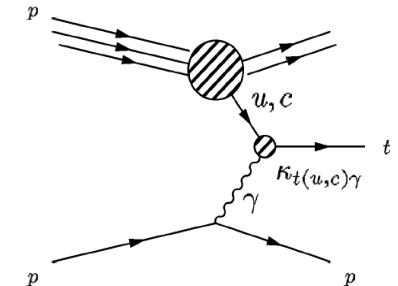
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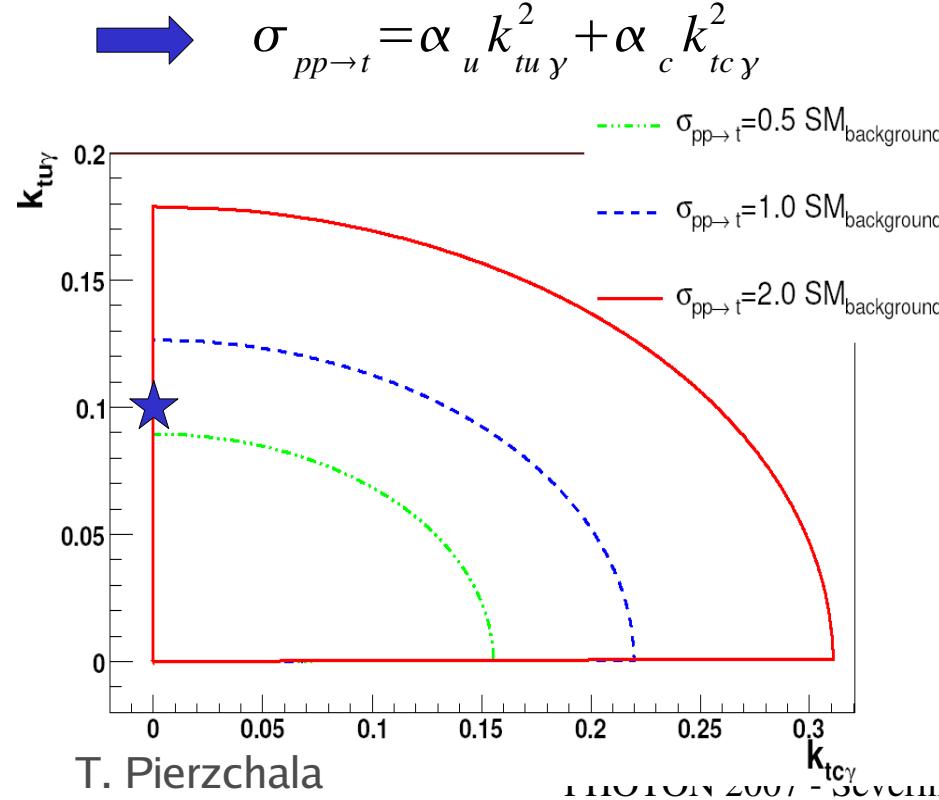
## Anomalous top production J. de Favereau

Effective Lagrangian for anomalous coupling:

$$L = ie_t t \frac{-\sigma_{\mu\nu} q^\nu}{\Lambda} k_{tu\gamma} u A^\mu + ie_t t \frac{-\sigma_{\mu\nu} q^\nu}{\Lambda} k_{tc\gamma} c A^\mu + h.c.$$



- Current limit obtained by **Zeus**:  $k_{tu\gamma} \approx 0.18$
- At HERA only u-quark relevant, at LHC also **c-quark contribute**



Results after acceptance cuts  
( $k_{tu\gamma} = 0.1, k_{tc\gamma} = 0$ )

Topology	$ E_{miss}^T  b$
$\sigma_t [fb]$	3680
$\sigma_{acc}$	123.8
<b>Irreducible backgrounds (Wj, Wc)</b>	
$\sigma_{acc} bkg$	198.1

Limit on  $k_{tu\gamma}$  could be significantly improved even at very low luminosity !



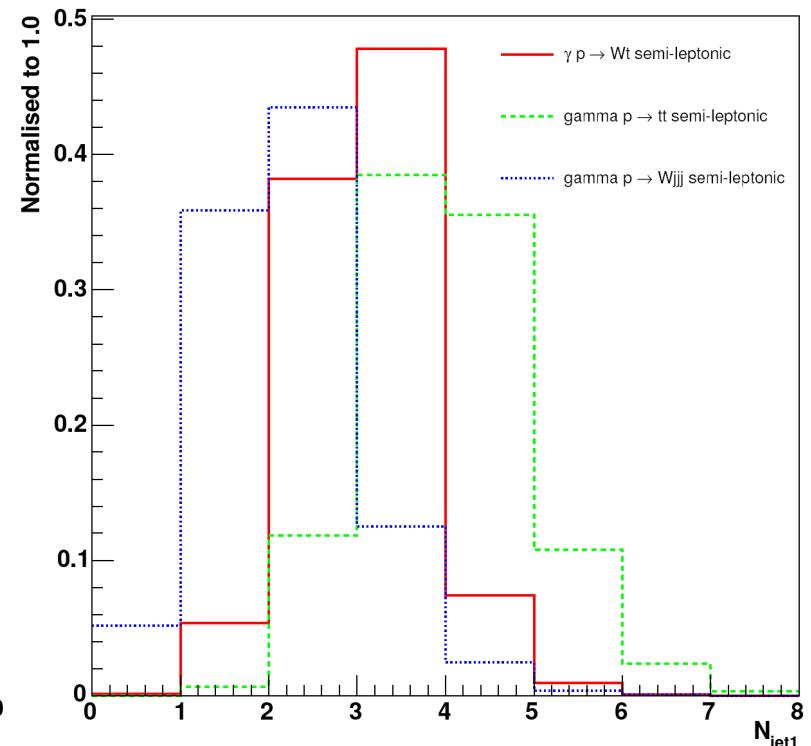
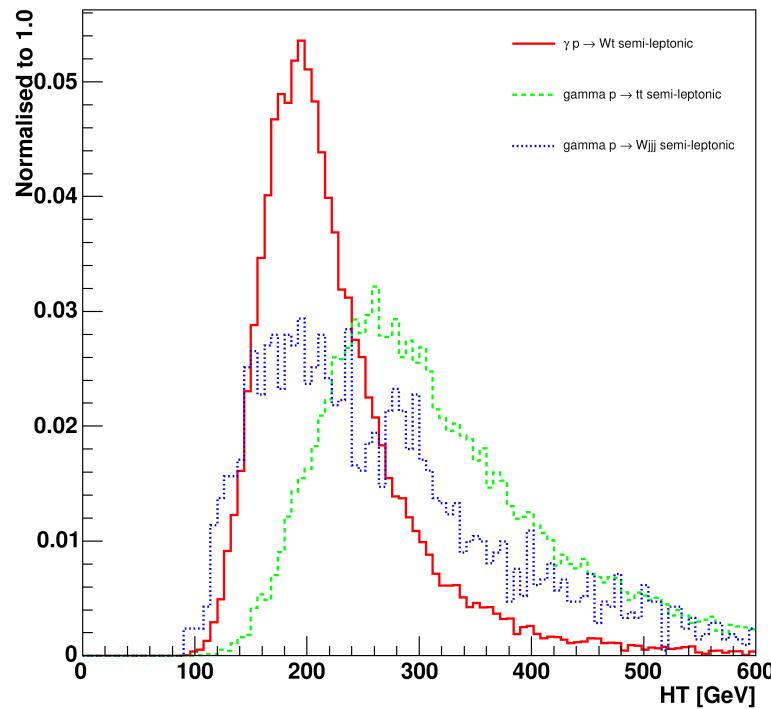
## Summary - outlook

- High energy  $\gamma p$  interactions have significant cross section at the LHC
- $\gamma p \rightarrow W H q'$  ( $100 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ ) events only sensitive for 2 topologies :  $l v b b$  and  $jj l^\pm l^\pm$ 
  - Analysis are ongoing for those 2 cases, using **analysis cuts**.
- **Wt-channel** ( $10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ ) seems very promising
  - For the di-leptonic topology,  $|V_{tb}|$  uncertainty is similar to the one obtained using  $pp \rightarrow Wt$
  - The sensitivity at reconstructed level has to be evaluated
  - For the semi-leptonic topology, one needs to tackle  $pp$  backgrounds
- **Anomalous top** ( $1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ ) can also be probed using very low integrated luminosity

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## Backup slides



### Theoretical errors

single top events : 6%  
 tt events : 5%  
 Wjjj events : 3%  
 Wbbj events : 17%  
 WWj : 6%



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		$\gamma p$ backgrounds				$pp$ backgrounds					
		Wt	$t\bar{t}(1\ell)$	$t\bar{t}(2\ell)$	W3j	Wbbj	tj.	$t\bar{t}(1\ell)$	$t\bar{t}(2\ell)$	Wjets	Wbbj
$E_{\gamma}^{Hem}$	309	489	131	2301	47	536	1095	291	28508	3901	
$N_{lept} = 1$	146.7	229	64.0	1111	22.9	261	474	148.8	13347	1661	
$N_{jet} = 3$	37.6	95.4	13.6	66.1	1.58	14.0	188	35.9	851	55.5	
HT sum	22.0	18.2	3.82	17.7	0.32	5.36	47.1	11.9	343.4	22.22	
b-tagging	9.05	8	1.78	2.14	0.15	2.21	20.7	5.53	29.8	9.5	
RecW	7.35	3.39	0.63	0.79	0.04	0.56	8.3	1.76	9.65	2.73	
Expected for 10/fb	73	34	6	8	negl.	1	83	18	96	27	

	sample	selected	$\Delta\sigma$	JES	$\Delta N_{b-tag}$	$\Delta N_{Lum}$	$\Delta N_{stat}$
	S: Wt	73	4.38	3.72	3.65	3.65	8.5
$\gamma p$ process	B: $t\bar{t}(1l)$	33	1.65	1.51	1.65	1.65	5.7
	B: $t\bar{t}(2l)$	6	0.3	0.37	0.3	0.3	2.4
	B: Wjjj	8	0.24	0	0.4	0.4	2.8
	B: Wbbj	0	0	0.03	0.	0	0
$pp$ process	B: $t\bar{t}(1l)$	83	4.15	1.98	4.15	4.15	9.1
	B: $t\bar{t}(2l)$	18	0.9	2.1	0.9	0.9	4.2
	B: W+jets	96	2.88	5.41	4.8	4.8	9.79
	B: tj	6	0.36	0.29	0.3	0.3	2.4
	B: Wbbj	27	4.59	1.65	1.35	1.35	5.2



	Wt	$\gamma p$ backgrounds			pp backgrounds	
		$t\bar{t}(2\ell)$	$WW(2\ell)$	$WW(1\ell)$	$t\bar{t}(2\ell)$	$WW(2\ell)$
$E_{\gamma}^{\text{Hem}}$	89.0	130.6	58.0	222.8	291	105.9
$N_{\text{lept}} = 2$	21.3	31.6	14.7	0.01	57.9	22.3
$N_{\text{jet}} = 1$	15.8	5.2	4.4	0.01	7.17	8.36
b - tagged	6.37	2.1	0.13	0.00	2.71	0.27
$E_{\text{miss}}^T$	5.84	1.97	0.12	0.00	2.55	0.23
Expected in $10 fb^{-1}$	58	20	1	0	25	2

	sample	selected	$\Delta\sigma$	JES	$\Delta N_{b\text{-tag}}$	$\Delta N_{Lum}$	$\Delta N_{stat}$
S: Wt	58	3.48	0.5	2.9		2.9	7.6
$\gamma p$	B: $t\bar{t}(2l)$	20	1	1.06	1	1	4.5
	B: WWj (2l)	1	0.06	0.01	0.05	0.05	1
pp	B: $t\bar{t}(2l)$	25	1.25	4.39	1.25	1.25	5
	B: WWj (2l)	2.26	0.14	0.27	0.11	0.11	1.5
$\Delta N_b$		-	1.6	5.73	2.41	1.55	-

$$\frac{\Delta |V_{tb}|}{|V_{tb}|} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\Delta |V_{tb}|^2}{|V_{tb}|^2} = \frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{\Delta \sigma_{obs}}{\sigma} \oplus \frac{\Delta \sigma_{th}}{\sigma} \right]$$

# Fast simulation of a LHC-like detector

Longitudinal view of the detector

