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Measurement of the Top Quark Mass in the Dileptonic Decay Channel from √s=8 TeV ATLAS Data

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Introduction

•The top quark mass has been measured in the dileptonic top quark pair decay channel using ATLAS data at $\sqrt{s}=8$ TeV

•The event selection applied in the 7 TeV analysis (<u>Eur. Phys. J. C 75 (2015) 330</u>) is optimised to obtain the smallest total uncertainty

•The result is combined with the measurements in the lepton+jets and dilepton channels at $\sqrt{s}=7$ TeV

•This presentation will

•present the analysis at 8 TeV

•recap the analyses at 7 TeV

•present the combination



Motivation

• A precise knowledge of the top quark mass is essential for many applications

This can be achieved by a) a precise measurement
b) a combination of sufficiently uncorrelated

measurements

\rightarrow both are performed in this paper

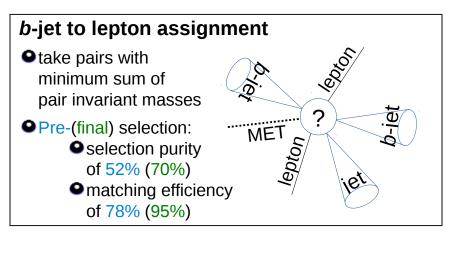
Dileptonic event selection

 $tt \rightarrow WWbb \rightarrow l\nu l\nu bb$

- exactly 2 oppositely charged leptons
- \geq 2 jets and b-tagging requirements
- further requirements to reduce background
 - → 36359 data events, 1% background (pre-selection)
- additional restriction on $p_{_{T,Ib}} \star$

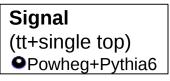
→ 9426 data events, 1% background (final selection)

*the average transverse momentum of the lepton-b-jet systems



Background

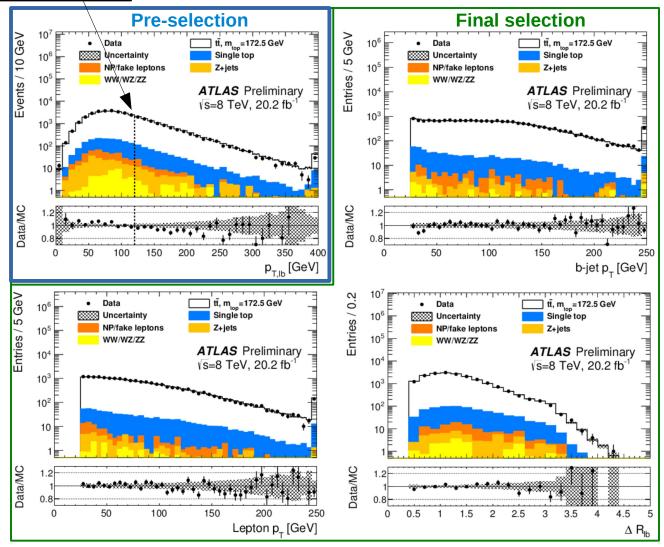
- Fake leptons: data-driven
- Z+jets: Alpgen+Pythia6
- Dibos: Alpgen+Herwig





Data to MC comparison

Cut-off for the final selection



The uncertainty bands are statistical only



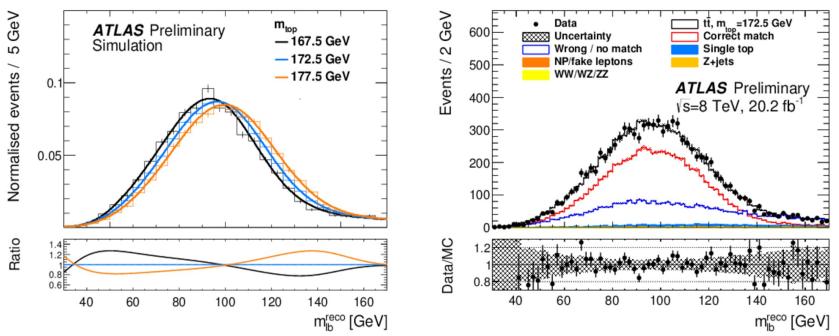
The analysis strategy

The dilepton channel suffers from underconstrained event kinematics

 \rightarrow use the minimum average invariant mass of the lepton-*b*-jet systems, \mathbf{m}_{lb}

Left: the mass variation templates and the corresponding template fit function

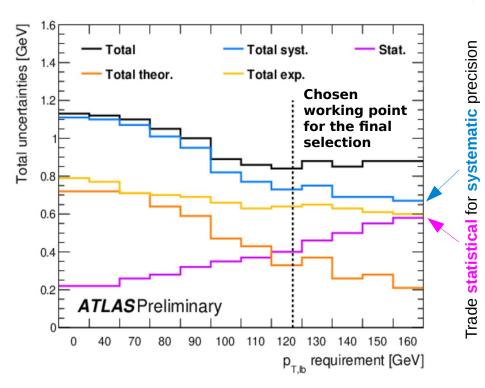
Right: the template for m_{top} =172.5 GeV in comparison to the data





The phase space optimisation

- The precision of current m_{top} measurements is limited by
 - •experiment: jet energy scale uncertainties (more precise for higher p_{τ})
 - •theory: modelling uncertainties (sometimes large impact on additional jets)
- \rightarrow look for $p_{_{T}}$ variable with positive correlation to matching efficiency
- p_{T,Ib}, the average transverse momentum of the lepton-*b*-jet systems, matches the requirements
- Perform full analysis with various requirements for p_{T,Ib}
- Significant reduction of the leading uncertainties by cutting on p_{T,Ib}





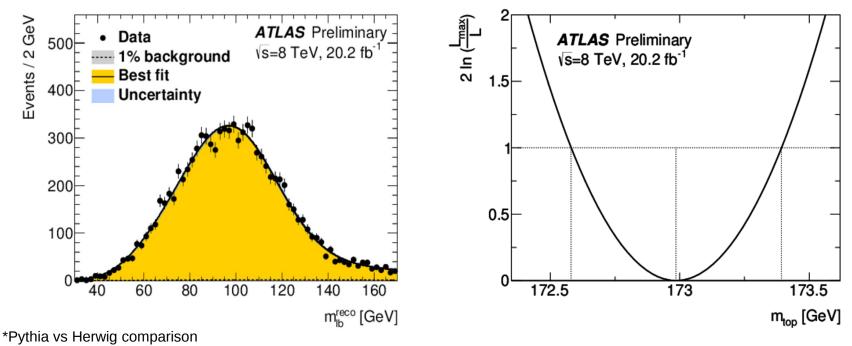
The template fit to the data ...using a 1-dimensional template method

Result: $m_{top} = 172.99 \pm 0.41$ (stat.) ± 0.74 (syst.) GeV = 172.99 ± 0.84 GeV

- theor. uncertainties dominated by the hadronisation* and ISR/FSR
- \bullet exp. uncertainties dominated by the (b)JES uncertainties

Left: the unbinned likelihood fit to the data (1% background hardly visible)

Right: the logarithm of the likelihood around its minimum





The measurements at 7 TeV

- Dilepton channel: as for 8 TeV but without optimised requirement on $p_{T_{\rm b}}$.
- L+jets channel: reconstruction via kin. likelihood fit
 - m_{top}^{reco}, sensitive to m_{top}, JSF* and bJSF**
 - mw^{reco}, sensitive to JSF

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- R_{ba}^{reco}, sensitive to bJSF
 - \rightarrow additional parameters transform scale related systematic into statistical uncertainties

data, I+jets

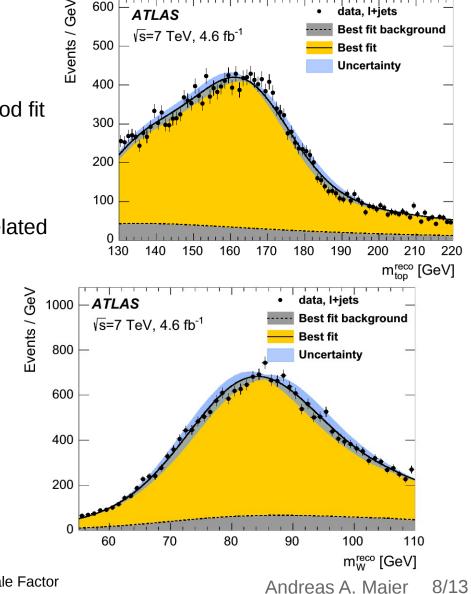
Uncertainty

Best fit

2

1.5

Best fit background



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*global Jet energy Scale Factor

0.5

700

500

400

300

200

100

0

Events / 0.03

**relative b- to light Jet energy Scale Factor

 $\mathsf{R}_{ba}^{\mathsf{reco}}$

2.5

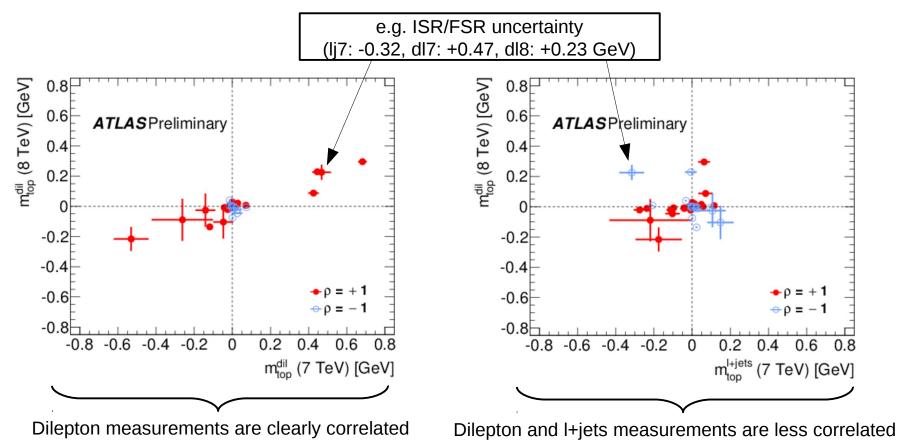
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The correlations

Combination of the measurements using BLUE*

- usage of a dedicated mapping to identify corresponding uncertainty sources at 7 and 8 TeV
- determination of the estimator correlation (± 1) for those sources** (see figures below)



*Best Linear Unbiased Estimator (http://blue.hepfoge.org)

**following the methodology introduced in Eur. Phys. J. C72 (2012) 2046



The combination

Using the determined correlations, the measurements are combined (pairwise compatibilities within 0.75 σ):

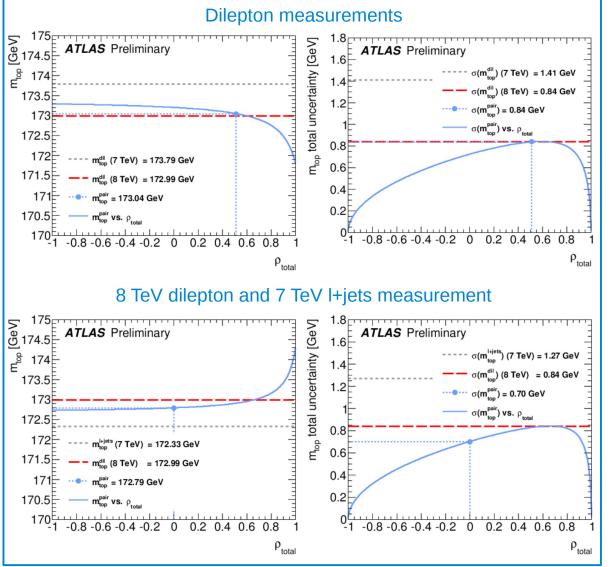
Some uncertainties of the measurements to be combined				Determined pairwise correlations			Results of various combinations		
	7 TeV I+jets [GeV]	7 TeV dilep [GeV]	8 TeV dilep [GeV]	ρ ₀₁	ρ ₀₂	ρ ₁₂	7 TeV [GeV]	dilep [GeV]	all [GeV]
Statistics	0.75	0.54	0.41	0	0	0	0.48	0.38	0.34
Signal MC gen.	0.22	0.26	0.09	+1	+1	+1	0.24	0.10	0.14
Hadronisation	0.18	0.53	0.22	+1	+1	+1	0.34	0.24	0.23
ISR/FSR	0.32	0.47	0.23	-1	-1	+1	0.04	0.24	0.08
JES	0.58	0.75	0.54	-0.23	+0.06	+0.35	0.41	0.52	0.41
bJES	0.06	0.68	0.30	+1	+1	+1	0.34	0.32	0.25
b-tagging	0.50	0.07	0.03	-0.77	0	0	0.25	0.03	0.15
Total	1.27	1.41	0.84	-0.07	0.00	0.51	0.91	0.84	0.70

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Stability of the combination

Pairwise combinations



• In pseudo-experiments, varying each uncertainty component within its statistical precision (this also leads to different correlations for the combination), the results are found to be stable at the level of 0.03 GeV

• The combined value and its uncertainty depend on the total correlation ρ_{total}

• The values of the pairwise combinations is shown here as a function of ρ_{total} (the 7 TeV figures are published and not repeated here)

• The combination results lie in regions of small slope and therefore only negligible effects are expected due to correlation changes







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Conclusions

The measured m_{top} in the dilepton channel from pp collisions at 8 TeV is:

 $m_{top} = 172.99 \pm 0.41$ (stat.) ± 0.74 (syst.) GeV = 172.99 ± 0.84 GeV

- improvement of 40% wrt. the corresp. result at 7 TeV ($\Delta m_{top} = 1.41 \text{ GeV}$)
- this represents the most precise m_{top} measurement in the dilepton channel to date

The combination with ATLAS results in the dilepton and I+jets channels at 7 TeV yields: $m_{top}^{comb} = 172.84 \pm 0.34 (stat.) \pm 0.61 (syst.) GeV = 172.84 \pm 0.70 GeV$

- improvement of 17% wrt. the most precise single input measurement
- improvement of 23% wrt. the old ATLAS combination ($\Delta m_{top} = 0.91 \text{ GeV}$)

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Data vs MC for the $p_{T,Ib}$ distribution

