

Top quark mass calibration for Monte-Carlo event generators

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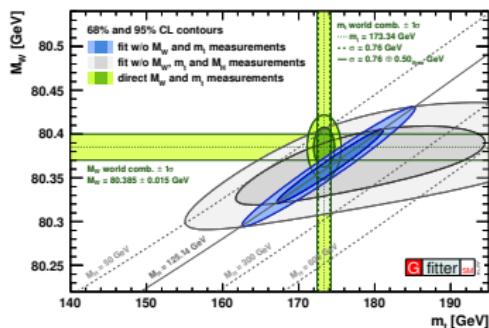
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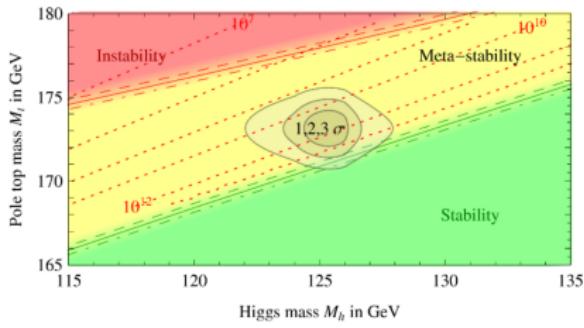
Motivation & Introduction

Motivation

- Top quark is the heaviest particle in the standard model
- Precise knowledge of top quark mass very important:
 - ▶ Electroweak precision tests of the SM
 - ▶ Stability of the SM vacuum
 - ▶ Top production important as background for BSM searches
 - ▶ ...



[Gfitter, Phys. J. C (2014) 74]



[Degrassi et.al. 2012]

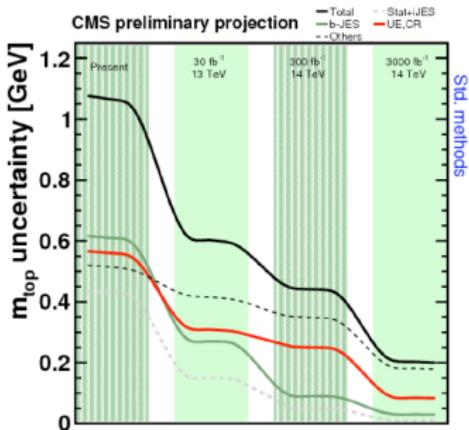
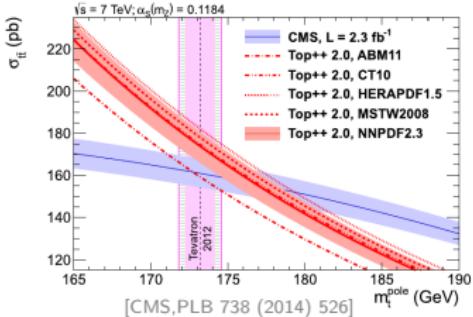
Top Mass Determinations

- Different methods available ($t\bar{t}$ production at hadron colliders)
 - total cross-section measurements
 $m_t^{\text{pole}} = 176.7^{+4.0}_{-3.4} \text{ GeV}$ [K.A.Olive et.al. (PDG) 2014]
 - leptonic observables [Frixione, Mitov 2014; Kawabata 2016]
 - direct reconstruction measurements
 - ...
- Direct reconstruction determinations are very precise
 - many individual measurements with uncertainty below 1 GeV → CMS combination reaches < 500 MeV
 - PDG quotes an uncertainty of ~ 900 MeV

$$m_t = 173.21 \pm 0.51(\text{stat}) \pm 0.71(\text{sys}) \text{ GeV}$$

- relies on (General Purpose) Monte Carlo (MC) generators e.g. PYTHIA to determine mass

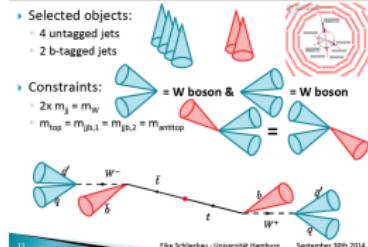
Question: How should one interpret the “measured” top mass?



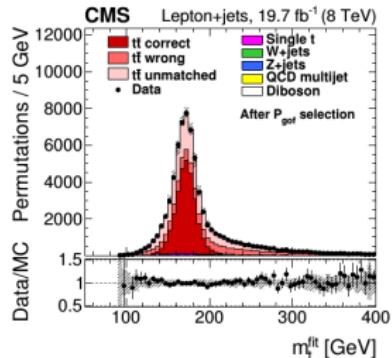
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Kinematic Fit



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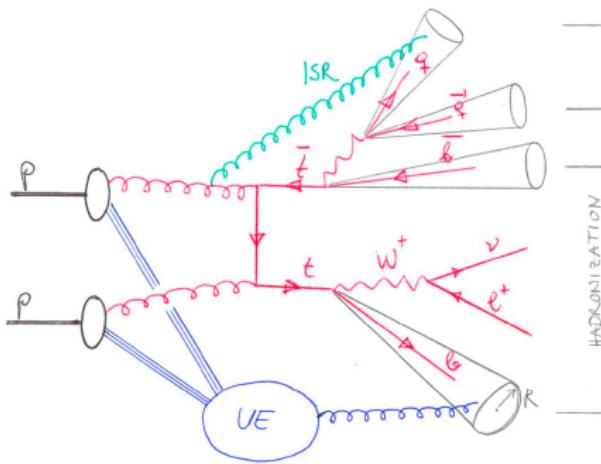


[CMS Phys. Rev. D 93, 072004]

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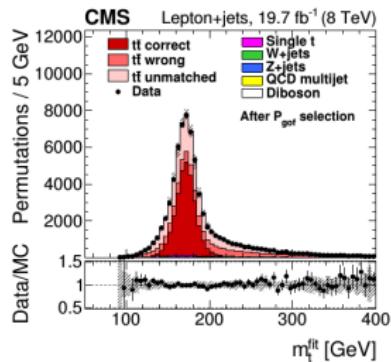
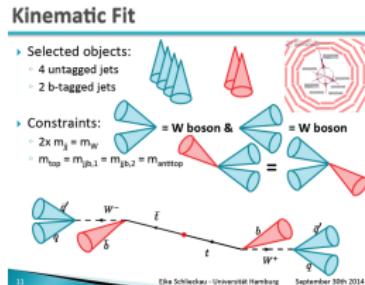
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- Use MC (simulated events) as a theory blackbox
 - ▶ carry out exp. procedure for different values of m_t^{MC}
 - m_t^{MC} is determined

Question: What is m_t^{MC} ?



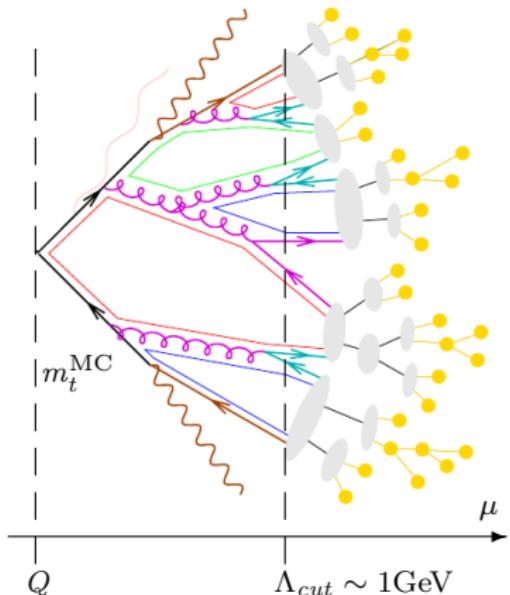
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Top Mass Determinations: MC Top Quark Mass

- Historically: all-order identification with m_t^{pole}
 - $\mathcal{O}(\Lambda_{\text{QCD}})$ renormalon ambiguity
 - Convergence issues when extracting the pole mass
 - Steps in the MC:
 - Hard ME - $t\bar{t}$ production
 - Parton shower - evolution down to the shower cutoff $\Lambda_{\text{cut}} \sim 1\text{GeV}$
 - Hadronization - model dependent
- related to short distance mass

$$m_t^{\text{MC}} : m_t^{\text{short-distance}}(1\text{GeV})$$

[Hoang, Stewart '08, Hoang '14]



[original picture D. Zeppenfeld]

MC Top Mass 2

- Short distance mass schemes:

► **$\overline{\text{MS}}$ mass:** $\mu \geq \overline{m}(\overline{m})$:

$$\overline{m}(\overline{m}) - m^{\text{pole}} = -\overline{m}(\overline{m}) \sum_{n=1} a_{n0} \left(\frac{\alpha_s(\overline{m})}{4\pi} \right)^n$$

► R-scale short distance mass: $R < \overline{m}(\overline{m})$

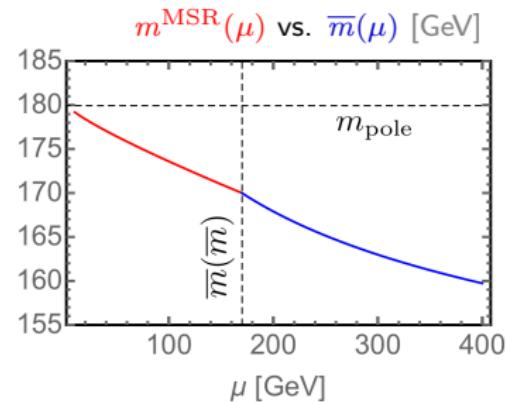
e.g. **MSR mass** [Hoang, Jain, Scimemi, Stewart 2008]:

$$m^{\text{MSR}}(R) - m^{\text{pole}} = -R \sum_{n=1} a_{n0} \left(\frac{\alpha_s(R)}{4\pi} \right)^n$$

$$m^{\text{MSR}}(m^{\text{MSR}}) = \overline{m}(\overline{m})$$

absorbs fluctuations $> R$,

smoothly interpolates all R-scales



Strategy & Observable

Strategy

- **Strategy:** compare quark mass-sensitive hadron level QCD calculations with sample data from some MC
 - ▶ look into observables with strong kinematic mass sensitivity
 - ▶ get accurate hadron level QCD predictions (\geq NLO/NLL) with full control over quark mass scheme dependence
 - ▶ fit QCD masses to different values of m_t^{MC}

$$m_t^{\text{MC}} = m_t^{\text{MSR}}(R \simeq 1\text{GeV}) + \Delta_{t,\text{MC}}^{\text{MSR}}(R \simeq 1\text{GeV})$$

$$m_t^{\text{MC}} = m_t^{\text{pole}} + \Delta_{t,\text{MC}}^{\text{pole}} \quad \Delta_{t,\text{MC}} \simeq \mathcal{O}(1\text{GeV})$$

Uncertainties we address in our $e^+ e^-$ study

- ▷ perturbative uncertainty
- ▷ scale uncertainties
- ▷ electroweak effects
- ▷ strong coupling α_s
- ▷ non-perturbative parameters

Additional pp systematics

- ▷ PS + UE
- ▷ color reconnection
- ▷ intrinsic uncertainty

Massive Event Shapes

- We use 2-jettiness τ_2 for **boosted tops** (c.o.m. energy $Q \gg m_t \sim \text{high } p_T$)
in $e^+e^- \rightarrow t\bar{t} \rightarrow \text{hadrons}$

mass sensitive version of thrust

$$\tau_2 = 1 - \max_{\hat{t}} \frac{\sum_i |\hat{t} \cdot \vec{p}_i|}{Q}$$

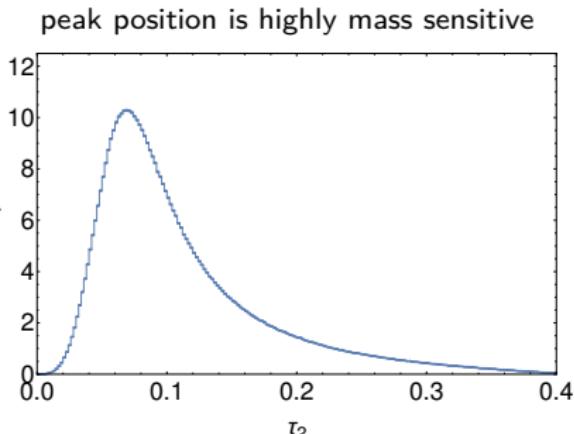
- for $\tau_2 \ll 1$ (peak):

$$\tau_2 \approx \frac{M_1^2 + M_2^2}{Q^2}$$

hemisphere masses M_i

- Good mass sensitivity

$$\tau_2^{\text{peak}} = 1 - \sqrt{1 - \frac{4m_t^2}{Q^2}} \quad (\text{tree level})$$



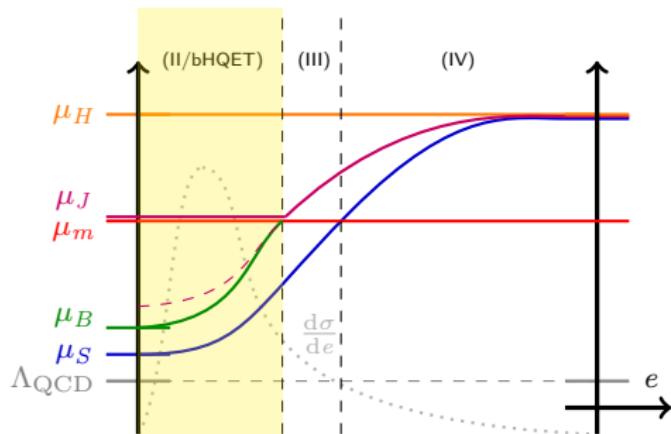
Theory Description - EFT treatment

- Boosted top jets

[Fleming, Hoang, Mantry, Stewart 2007]

$$n_f = n_l + 1$$

$$\frac{d\sigma^{\text{bHQET}}}{d\tau} = Q \textcolor{orange}{H}(Q, m, \mu_H) U_H^{(n_f)}(Q, \mu_H, \mu_m) H_m^{(n_f)}(Q, \mu_m) U_m^{(n_l)}(Q, m, \mu_m, \mu_B) \\ \times \int ds d\ell \textcolor{violet}{B}_e^{(n_l)}(s, m, \mu_B) U_S^{(n_l)}(\ell, \mu_B, \mu_S) \textcolor{blue}{S}_e^{(n_l)}(Q(\tau - \tau_{\min}) - \frac{s}{Q} - \ell, \mu_S)$$



Theory Description - EFT treatment

- Developments:

- ▶ VFNS for final state jets (with massive quarks)

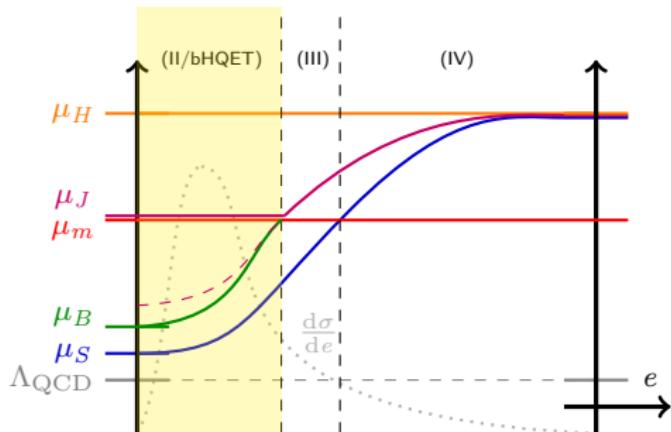
[Gritschacher, Hoang, Jemos, Mateu, Pietrulewicz '13 '14]
[Butenschön, Dehnadi, Hoang, Mateu '16 (to appear)]

- ▶ Non-perturbative power-corrections are included via a shape function

[Korchemsky, Sterman 1999]
[Hoang, Stewart 2007]
[Ligeti, Stewart, Tackmann 2008]

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\tau} = \frac{d\sigma^{\text{part}}}{d\tau} \otimes F_{\text{mod}}(\Omega_1, \Omega_2, \dots)$$

- ▶ Gap-scheme
- ▶ MSR mass & R-evolution
[Hoang, Jain, Scimemi, Stewart 2010]

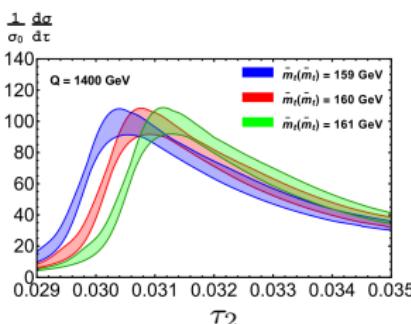
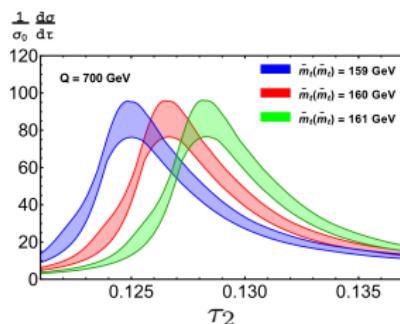
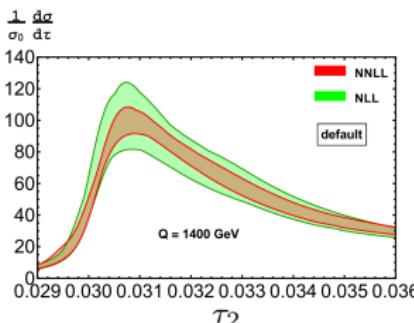
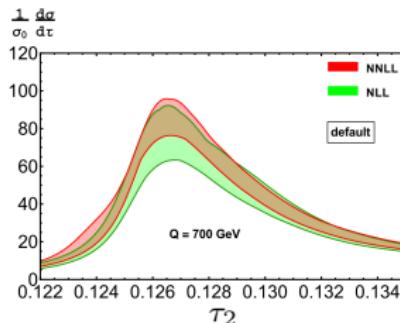


NNLL + NLO
+ non-singular + hadronization
+ renormalon-subtraction
+ top quark decay

Convergence, Mass Sensitivity

- $\frac{d\sigma}{d\tau} = f(m_t^{\text{MSR}}, \alpha_s(m_Z), \Omega_1, \Omega_2, \dots, \mu_H, \mu_J, \mu_S, \mu_M, R, \Gamma_t)$

any scheme non-perturbative renorm. scales finite lifetime



- Good convergence
- Reduction of scale uncertainty (NLL to NNLL)
- Control over whole distribution
- Higher mass sensitivity for lower Q
- Finite lifetime effects included
- Dependence on non-perturbative parameters

Calibrating PYTHIA's Top Mass Parameter

so far, e^+e^- calibration

Preparing the Fits

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- Generating PYTHIA 8.205 Samples:

at different energies: $Q = 600, 700, 800, \dots, 1400$ GeV

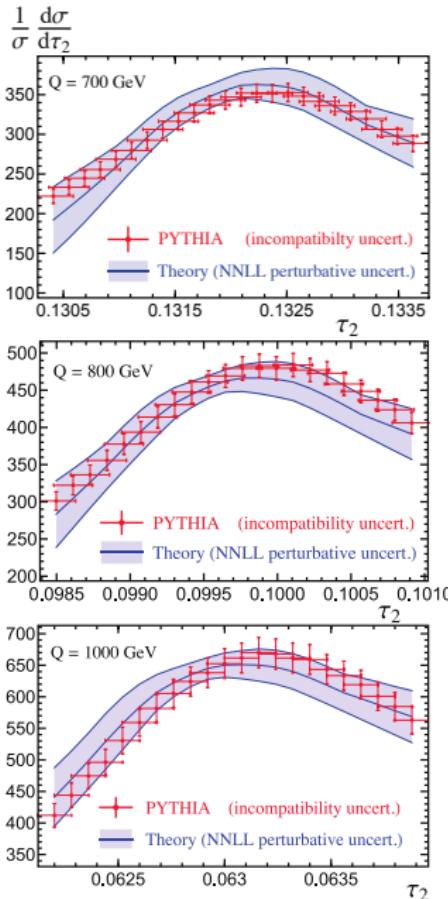
- ▶ masses: $m_t^{\text{MC}} = 170, 171, 172, 173, 174, 175$ GeV
- ▶ width: $\Gamma_t = 1.4$ GeV
- ▶ tune: 7 (Monash)
- ▶ Statistics: 10^7 events for each set of parameters

- Feed MC data into **Fitting Procedure**: all ingredients are there

Fit parameters: $m_t^{\text{MSR}}, \alpha_s(m_Z), \Omega_1, \Omega_2, \dots$

- ▶ standard fit based on χ^2 minimization
- ▶ analysis with 500 sets of profiles (τ_2 dependent renorm. scales) for each MC sample
- ▶ **different Q-sets**: 7 sets with energies between 600 - 1400 GeV
- ▶ **different n-sets**: 3 choices for fitranges - (xx/yy)% of maximum peak height

Fit Results: Pythia vs. Theory



- Good agreement of PYTHIA 8.205 with N²LL + NLO QCD description in peak region
- Perturbative uncertainties on theory side estimated via scale variations (profiles)
- MC incompatibility uncertainty estimate intrinsic difference between MC & theory via difference between different Q- & n-sets

Convergence & Stability: MSR vs Pole Mass

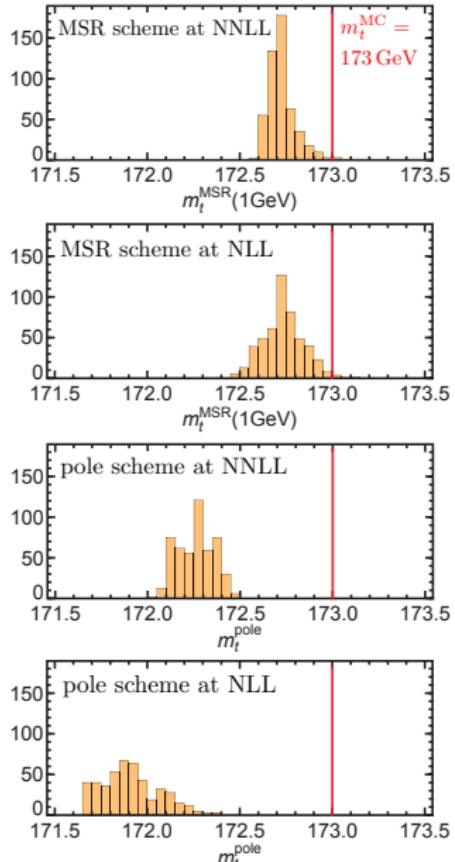
500 profiles; $\alpha_s = .118$; $\Gamma_t = 1.4$ GeV; tune 7;
 $Q = 700, 1000, 1400$ GeV; peak(60/80)%

Input: $m_t^{\text{MC}} = 173$ GeV

fit to find $m_t^{\text{MSR}}(1\text{GeV})$ or m_t^{pole}

- Good convergence and stability for $m_t^{\text{MSR}}(1\text{GeV})$
- $m_t^{\text{MSR}}(1\text{GeV})$ numerically close to m_t^{MC}
- Pole mass numerically not at all close to m_t^{MC}
- $\sim 1100/700$ MeV difference at NLL/NNLL!
- $m_t^{\text{pole}} \neq m_t^{\text{PYTHIA 8.2}}$

Similar findings from the other 20 data sets

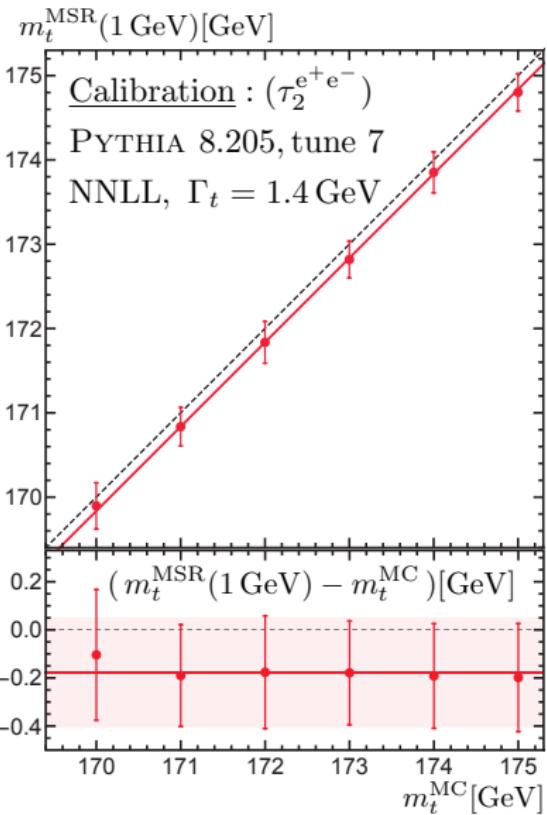


Final Results for m_t^{MSR}

- All investigated MC top mass values show consistent picture
 - MC top quark mass is indeed closely related to MSR mass within uncertainties:
- $$m_t^{\text{MC}} \simeq m_t^{\text{MSR}}(1\text{GeV})$$

$$m_t^{\text{MC}} = 173 \text{ GeV } (\tau_2^{e+e-})$$

mass	order	central	perturb.	incompatibility	total
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m_t^{pole}	NLL	172.10	0.34	0.16	0.38
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Pole Mass Determinations

① Pole mass implemented in code

$$m_t^{\text{pole}} < m_t^{\text{MSR}}(1\text{GeV}) < m_t^{\text{MC}}$$

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② Pole mass determined from MSR mass

$$m_t^{\text{pole}} - m_t^{\text{MSR}}(1\text{GeV}) = \left[0.173 + 0.138 + 0.159 + 0.230 + \mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^5) \right] \text{GeV}$$
$$\alpha_s(M_z) = 0.118; n_f = 5;$$

$$m_t^{\text{MSR}}(1\text{GeV}) < m_t^{\text{pole}}$$

- Calibration in terms of pole mass involves large higher-order perturbative corrections
→ additional uncertainties for pole mass extraction (for $m_t^{\text{MC}} = 173 \text{ GeV}$)

$$(m_t^{\text{pole}})_{\text{NLL}} = 172.45 \pm 0.52 \text{ GeV}$$

$$(m_t^{\text{pole}})_{\text{NNLL}} = 172.72 \pm 0.40 \text{ GeV}$$

Conclusion & Outlook

- First precise MC top quark mass calibration based on e^+e^- 2-jettiness
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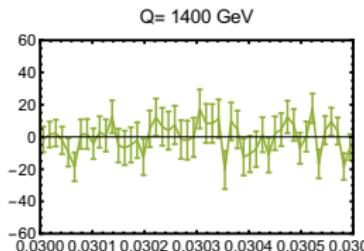
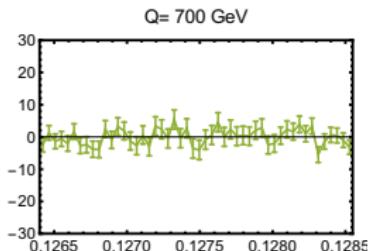
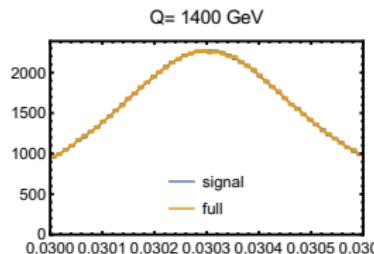
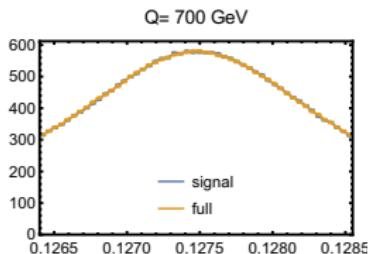
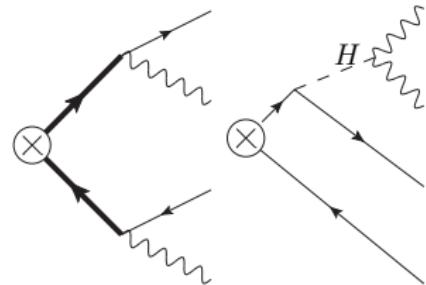
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Backup

MG5 study: $e^+e^- \rightarrow W^+W^-b\bar{b}$ - signal $t\bar{t}$ vs full

- Non-resonant contributions are irrelevant for τ_2 distribution

- PYTHIA (or similar MCs) will give a good description of the production process at LO
- hemisphere invariant mass \sim top invariant mass (no pollution from background)



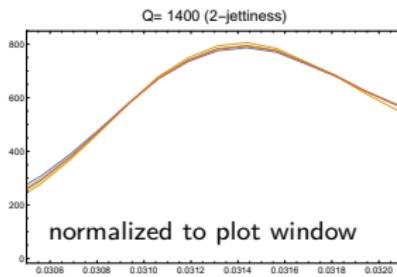
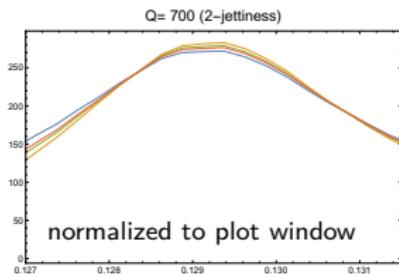
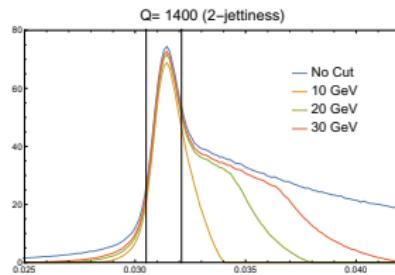
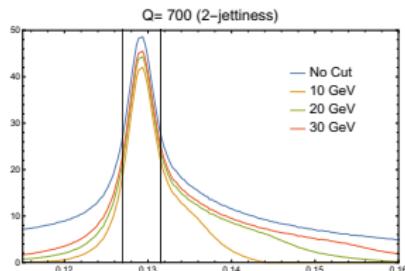
PYTHIA8 study: hemisphere mass cuts

- In our theory description we treat the top decay as inclusive w.r.t. hemisphere

- violated by decay products which cross to the other hemisphere
- no differential impact in resonance region (irrelevant when normalized to signal region)

Cuts on hemisphere invariant mass above and below:

$$M_i^{\text{cut}} = m_t^{\text{MC}} \pm \Delta^{\text{cut}}$$



Pole mass - MSR mass relation

$$\alpha_s(M_Z) = 0.118$$
$$n_f = 5$$

$$m_t^{\text{pole}} - m_t^{\text{MSR}}(1 \text{ GeV}) = 0.173 + 0.138 + 0.159 + 0.23 \text{ GeV} \xleftarrow{\text{calculated}}$$
$$+ 0.53 + 1.43 + 4.54 + 16.6 \text{ GeV} \xleftarrow{\text{extrapolated}}$$
$$+ 68.6 + 317.7 + 1629 + 9158 \text{ GeV}$$

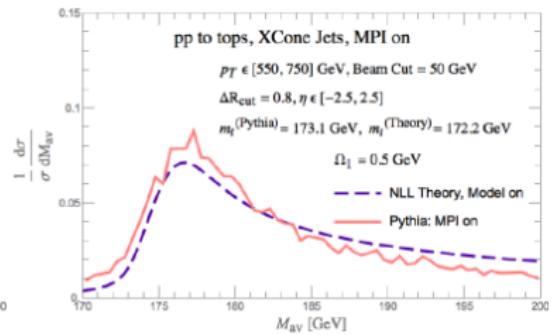
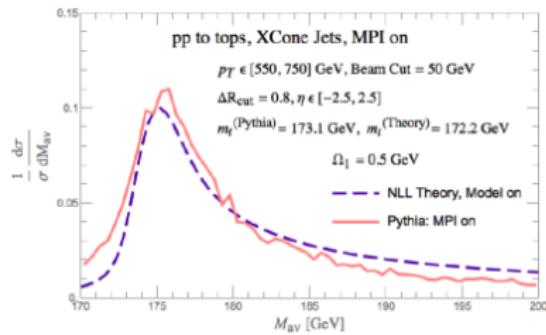
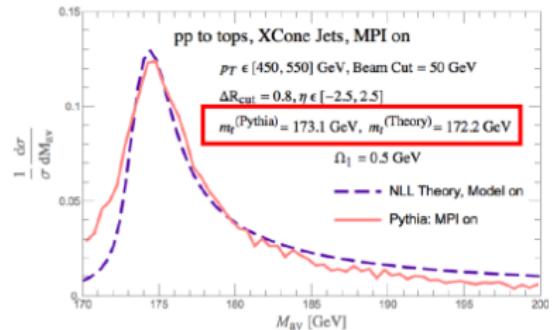
- No precise/stable determination of m_t^{pole}

pp-2-jettiness

- Aditya Pathak (MIT) at Boost2016: pp-2-jettiness at NLL

Pythia with hadronization and MPI turned on

- One choice for Ω_1 which works for all p_T ranges.
- Here a soft model with $\Omega_1 = 0.5$ GeV reproduces the MPI and hadronization effects for the peak location.

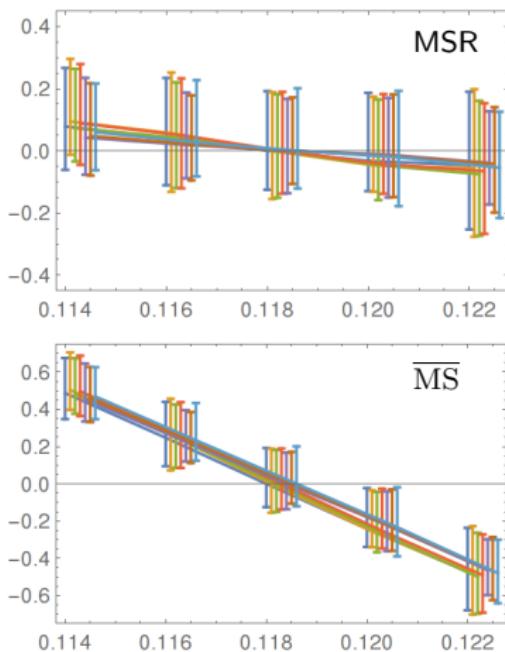


Results: MSR/ $\overline{\text{MS}}$ parametric dependence on α_s

500 profiles; $\Gamma_t = 1.4, -1$ GeV;tune 7;
diff. Q-sets; peak(60/80)%

$m_t^{\text{PYTHIA}} = 173$ GeV

- α_s dependence:
 $m^{\text{scheme}}[\alpha_s] - m^{\text{scheme}}[.118]$
- small dependence of MSR mass on α_s
 ~ 50 MeV error ($\delta\alpha_s = .002$)
- large sensitivity of $\overline{\text{MS}}$ mass on α_s
- not an error:
calculated from MSR with high accuracy



Results: tune dependence

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$$m_t^{\text{PYTHIA}} = 173 \text{ GeV}$$

- tune dependence:

$$m^{\text{MSR}}[\text{tune}] - m^{\text{MSR}}[7]$$

- clear sensitivity to tune
- m^{MC} will depend on tune
- tune dependence is not a calibration uncertainty:

(different tune \Rightarrow different MC $\Rightarrow m_t^{\text{MC}}$)

