
Progress on Boosted Top Production in SCET

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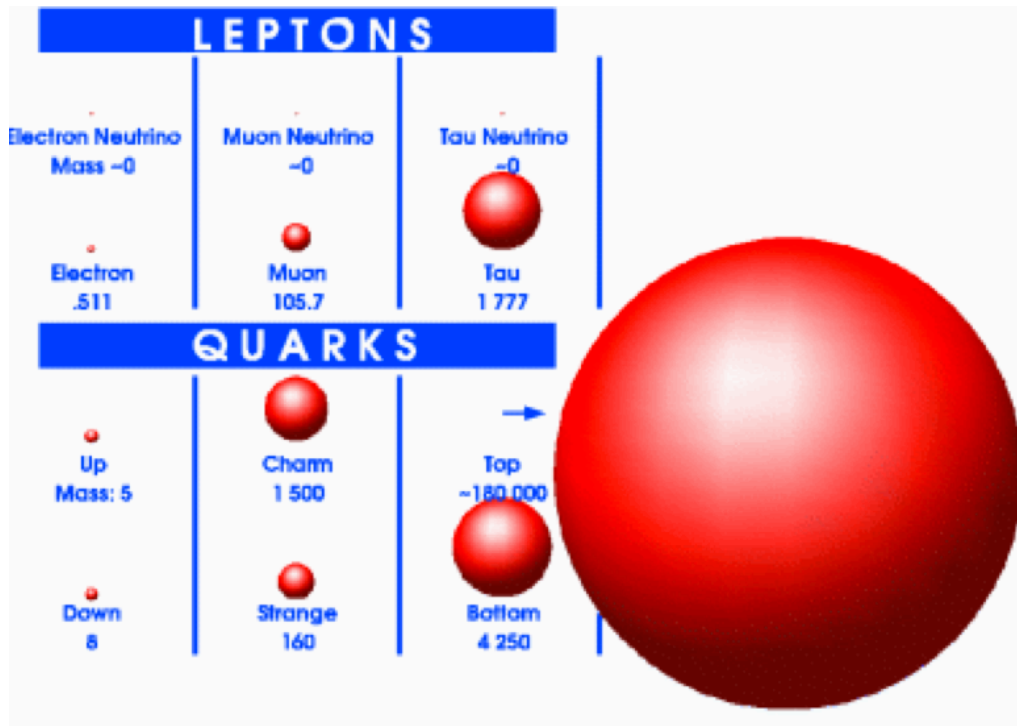


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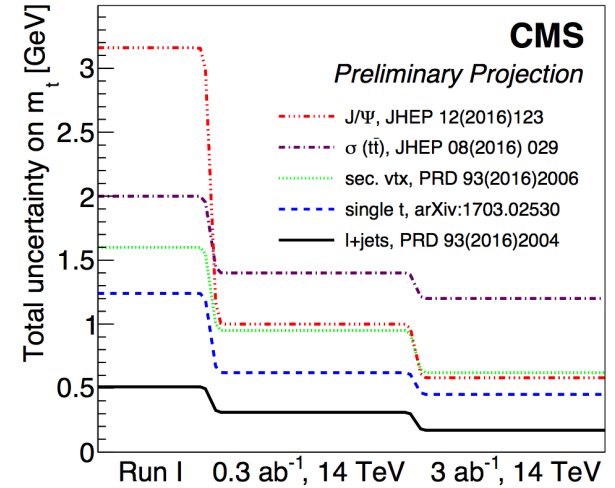
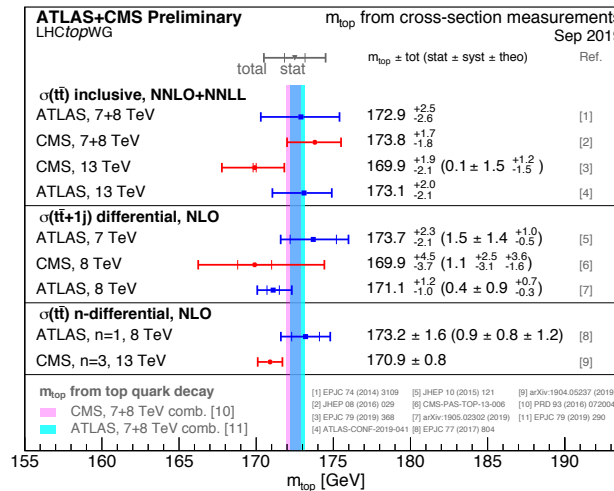
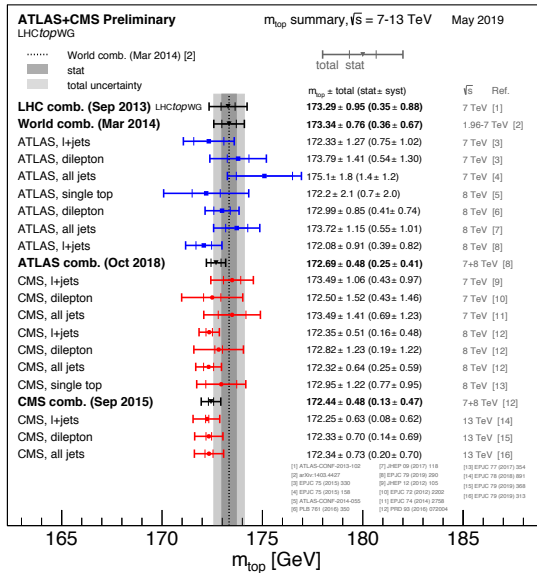
- Boosted top quarks
 - disentangle production, (single) top evolution and decay
 - basic features of factorization
- Running mass for scales below m_Q : MSR mass $m_t^{\text{MSR}}(R)$
 - C++/Mathematica code: 
- MC top mass calibration:
 - NNLL + NLO corrections to 2-jettiness for top production in e^+e^- collisions
- First principles studies of Herwig top mass parameter:
 - Hadronization model studies
- Conclusions
- Demonstration of 

.. not just the heaviest SM particle



- Top quark: heaviest known particle
 - Most sensitive to the mechanism of mass generation
 - Peculiar role in the generation of flavor.
 - Top might not be the SM-Top, but have a non-SM component.
 - Top as calibration tool for new physics particles (SUSY and other exotics)
 - Top production major background in new physics searches
 - One of crucial motivations for New Physics
- Very special physics laboratory: $\Gamma_t \gg \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}$
 - Top treated as a particle: p_T , spin, σ_{tot} , $\sigma(\text{single top})$, $\sigma(\text{tt+X})$,... $\rightarrow q \gg \Gamma_t$
 - Quantum state sensitive low-E QCD and unstable particle effects: m_t , endpoint regions $\rightarrow q \sim \Gamma_t$
 - Multiscale problem: p_T , m_t , Γ_t , Λ_{QCD} , . . . (depends on resolution of observable)

Top Mass Measurements



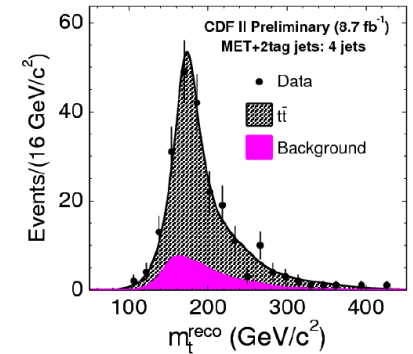
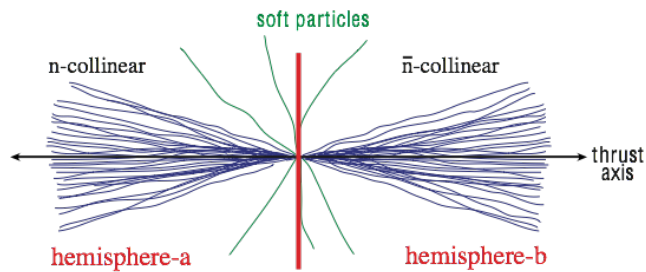
- Most precise measurements from direct reconstruction (uncertainties ~ 0.5 GeV), but measures MC top mass parameter m_t^{MC}
- Other methods are still less precise, but can measure a field theory top mass.
- Methods based on reconstructed distributions involving top decay products represent delicate multiscale problems: p_T , m_t , Γ_t , Λ_{QCD}
 → perturbation theory insufficient, resummations needed, hadronization at leading order

- m_t^{reco}
- $M_{b-jet + lepton}$
- $M_{t\bar{t}}$ (close to $2m_t$)
- $M_{J/\psi + lepton}$
- M_{T2} and variants
- b-jet energy
- B-meson energy
- $M_{\gamma\gamma}$ (close to $2m_t$)
- Lepton energy endpoints

Factorization for Boosted Top Quarks

Basic event structure:

- Boosted back-to-back (fat) top jets
- Top jets in the resonance region: $M_{J,top} \sim m_t$
- LHC: central top jets: $|\eta_J| \lesssim 1$ (beam separation)
- [Veto on additional hard (gluon) jet]



- Top and anti-top decays separated (interference can be accounted for)
- Soft interactions between jets not sensitive to top decay
(top-bottom collinear color line)
- Single-top treatment of top and anti-top decays
- Clean separation of scales: p_T (or E_{cm}) $\gg m_t \gg \Gamma_t \gg \Lambda_{QCD}$
- Factorized cross section:

Systematic way to make resummed predictions for top decay sensitive observables.

$$\sigma \sim H_Q \times H_m \times B \otimes D \otimes S$$

“hard”
“mass mode”
“jet”
“decay”
“soft”

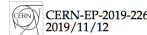
Factorization for Boosted Top Quarks

- Comes at the cost of smaller statistics at the LHC → not that problematic: see below!
- But clearer theoretically to do systematic predictions with resummation of logarithms and including nonperturbative effects
- Highly useful to answer address subtle high-precision issues such as the direct top mass measurement interpretation problem

CMS, arXiv:1911.03800



CMS-TOP-19-005



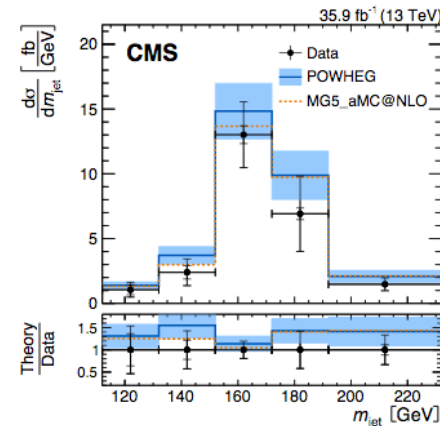
Measurement of the jet mass distribution and top quark mass in hadronic decays of boosted top quarks in pp collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 13$ TeV

The CMS Collaboration

Abstract

A measurement is reported of the jet mass distribution in hadronic decays of boosted top quarks produced in pp collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 13$ TeV. The data were collected with the CMS detector at the LHC and correspond to an integrated luminosity of 35.9 fb^{-1} . The measurement is performed in the lepton+jets channel of $t\bar{t}$ events, where the lepton is an electron or muon. The products of the hadronic top quark decay $t \rightarrow bW \rightarrow bq\bar{q}'$ are reconstructed as a single jet with transverse momentum larger than 400 GeV. The $t\bar{t}$ cross section as a function of the jet mass is unfolded at the particle level and used to extract a value of the top quark mass of $172.6 \pm 2.5 \text{ GeV}$. A novel jet reconstruction technique is used for the first time at the LHC, which improves the precision by a factor of three relative to an earlier measurement.

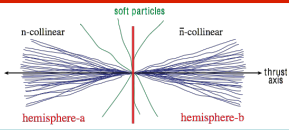
Submitted to Physical Review Letters



- Groomed X-cone top jets
- 35.9 fb^{-1} , $p_T > 400 \text{ GeV}$
- $m_t^{\text{MC}} = 172.6 \pm 0.4^{\text{stat}} \pm 1.6^{\text{exp}} \pm 1.5^{\text{model}} \pm 1.0^{\text{theo}} \text{ GeV}$
- Statistics actually not the limiting issue!
- Great potential for higher precision!

Boosted Top Factorization at Resonance

Fleming, AHH, Mantry, Stewart., xxx.xxxx

$$\left(\frac{d^2\sigma}{dM_t^2 dM_{\bar{t}}^2} \right)_{\text{hemi}} = \sigma_0 H_Q(Q, \mu_m) H_m\left(m, \frac{Q}{m}, \mu_m, \mu\right) \times \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dl^+ dl^- B_+\left(\hat{s}_t - \frac{Ql^+}{m}, \Gamma, \mu\right) B_-\left(\hat{s}_{\bar{t}} - \frac{Ql^-}{m}, \Gamma, \mu\right) S_{\text{hemi}}(l^+, l^-, \mu)$$


Jet function:

$$B_{\pm}(\hat{s}, \Gamma_t, \mu) = \text{Im} \left[\frac{-i}{12\pi m_J} \int d^4x e^{ir \cdot x} \langle 0 | T \{ \bar{h}_{v_+}(0) W_n(0) W_n^\dagger(x) h_{v_+}(x) \} | 0 \rangle \right]$$

- Soft in the top rest-frame: **ULTRA-COLLINEAR**
- Perturbative, universal (e^+e^- , LHC)
- dependent on mass, width, color charge
- Contains “Fermi motion” of decaying top quark (analogous to B decays)
- Main top mass sensitivity of production stage dynamics

$$B_{\pm}^{\text{Born}}(\hat{s}, \Gamma_t) = \frac{1}{\pi m_t} \frac{\Gamma_t}{\hat{s}^2 + \Gamma_t^2}$$

$$\hat{s} = \frac{M^2 - m_t^2}{m_t}$$

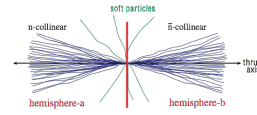
Soft function:

$$S_{\text{hemi}}(l^+, l^-, \mu) = \frac{1}{N_c} \sum_{X_s} \delta(l^+ - k_s^{+a}) \delta(l^- - k_s^{-b}) \langle 0 | \bar{Y}_{\bar{n}} Y_n(0) | X_s \rangle \langle X_s | Y_n^\dagger \bar{Y}_{\bar{n}}^\dagger(0) | 0 \rangle$$

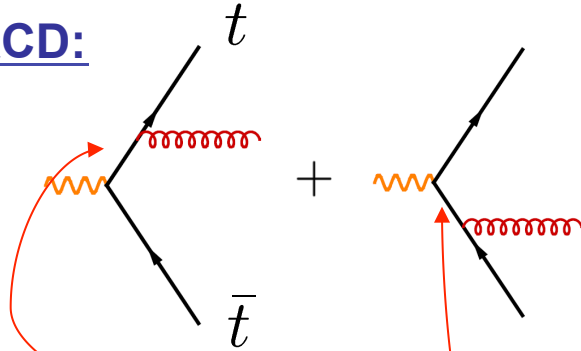
- non-perturbative
- Renormalization scale dependence perturbative
- dependent on color charge, kinematics

Independent of the mass and E_{cm} !

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full QCD:

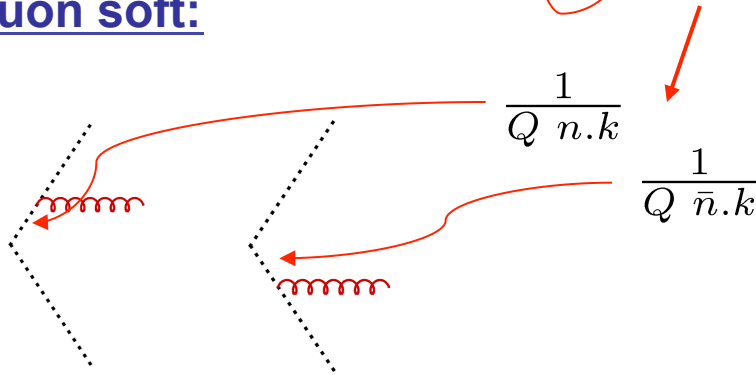


3 phase space regions: $\Lambda \sim \Lambda_{\text{QCD}}$

- n-collinear: $(k_+, k_-, k_\perp) \sim (\Lambda, \frac{Q^2}{m^2} \Lambda, \frac{Q}{m} \Lambda)$
- \bar{n} -collinear: $(k_+, k_-, k_\perp) \sim (\frac{Q^2}{m^2} \Lambda, \Lambda, \frac{Q}{m} \Lambda)$
- **soft:** $(k_+, k_-, k_\perp) \sim (\Lambda, \Lambda, \Lambda)$

$$\frac{1}{(p_{t,\bar{t}}+k)^2 - m_t^2} \quad (p_{t,\bar{t}}^2 \approx m_t^2, n^2 = 0, \bar{n}^2 = 0)$$

Gloun soft:

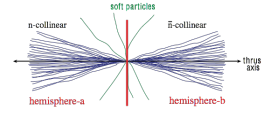


$$Y_n(x) = \overline{\text{P}} \exp \left(-ig \int_0^\infty ds n \cdot A_s(ns+x) \right)$$

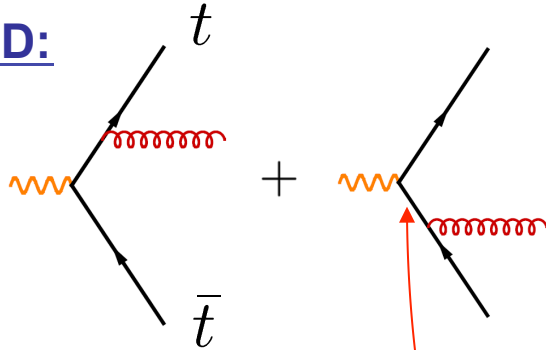
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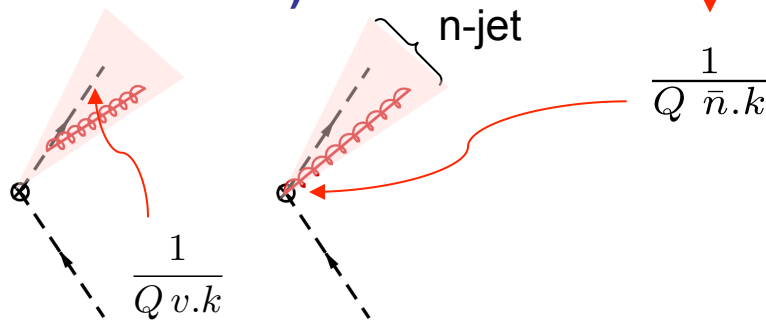


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Gluon collinear to the top:
(ultra-collinear)



$$W_n^\dagger(\infty, x) = \text{P exp} \left(ig \int_0^\infty ds \bar{n} \cdot A_+(ns + x) \right)$$

$$h_{v_+}(x) \quad \rightarrow \text{gauge dependent}$$

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Top mass in the bHQET jet function B:

e.g. 2-jettiness distribution in e^+e^-

$$\tau = 1 - \max_{\vec{n}} \frac{\sum_i |\vec{n} \cdot \vec{p}_i|}{Q} \quad \hat{s}_\tau \equiv \frac{Q^2 \tau_2 - 2m_t^2}{m_t}$$

$$\frac{1}{\sigma_0} \frac{d\sigma}{d\tau_2} = m_t Q^2 H_{\text{evol}}^{(5,6)}(Q, m_t, \nu, \mu; \mu_H, \mu_m)$$

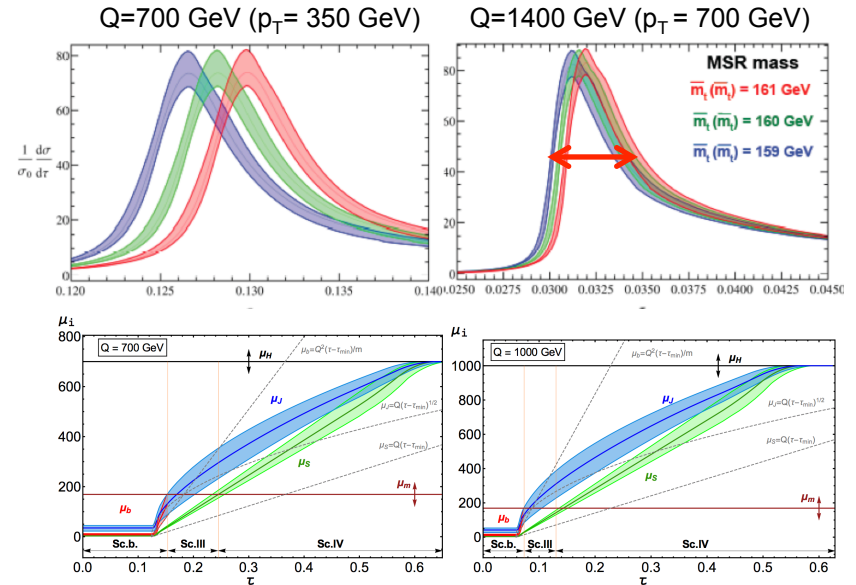
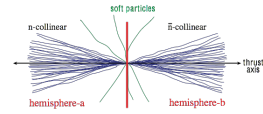
$$\times \int d\ell d\hat{s}'_\tau U_B^{(5)}(\hat{s}_\tau - \nu\ell - \hat{s}'_\tau, \mu, \mu_B) \underbrace{J_{B,\tau_2}^{(5)}(\hat{s}'_\tau, \Gamma_t, \delta m, \mu_B)}$$

$$\times \int d\ell' dk U_S^{(5)}(\ell - \ell', \mu, \mu_S) \hat{S}_{\tau_2}^{(5)}(\ell' - k, \bar{\delta}, \mu_S) F(k, 2\bar{\Delta})$$

Width of distribution: $\mu_B \sim \frac{Q^2}{m_t} (\tau - \tau_{\min}) \ll m_t$

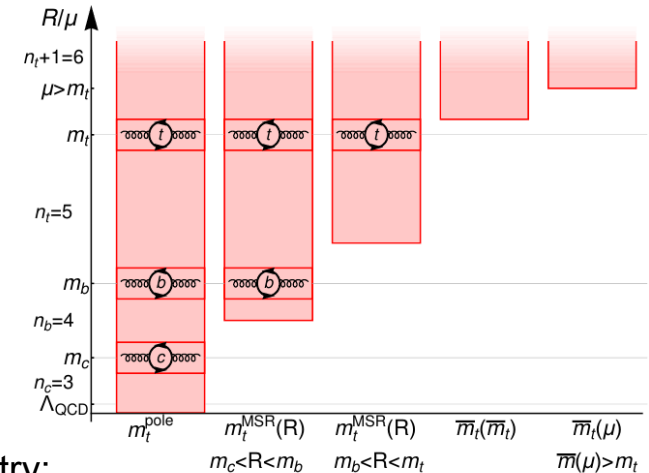
If we want to avoid the pole mass renormalon problem we need a short-distance mass scheme. Short-distance mass schemes always depend on a IR subtraction scale.

In the resonance region we need a short-distance mass $m_t(\mu_B \ll m_t)$



Boosted Top Factorization at Resonance

- Short-distance mass $m_t(\mu)$
only absorbs self energy corrections from scales $> \mu$
- MSbar mass only appropriate for $\mu \gtrsim m_t$
- MSR mass: [AHH, Jain, Scimemi, Stewart, 0803.4214](#)
 - Defined from self-energy diagrams
 - Consistent RG-flow for $\mu < m_t$
 - Accounts systematically for lower flavor thresholds
 - Implements universality consistent to heavy quark symmetry:
 $t \leftrightarrow b \leftrightarrow c$
 - RG-evolution is linear in μ



$$\text{MSbar: } m_Q^{\text{pole}} - \bar{m}_Q = \bar{m}_Q \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n^{\overline{\text{MS}}} (n_\ell, n_h) \left(\frac{\alpha_s^{(n_\ell+1)}(\bar{m}_Q)}{4\pi} \right)^n$$

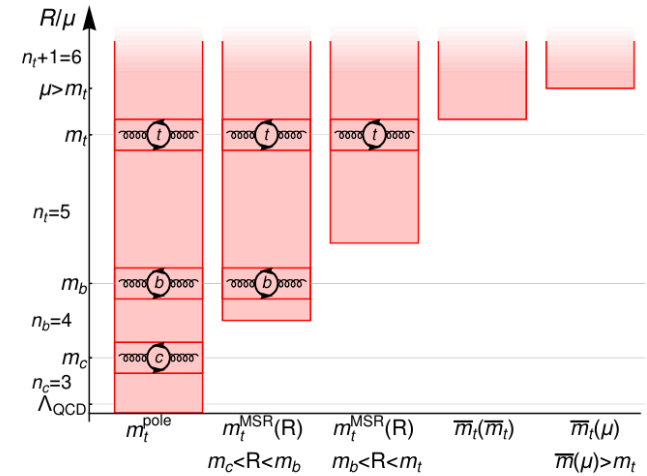
$$\text{MSR: } m_Q^{\text{pole}} - m_Q^{\text{MSRn}}(R) = R \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n^{\overline{\text{MS}}} (n_\ell, 0) \left(\frac{\alpha_s^{(n_\ell)}(R)}{4\pi} \right)^n$$

1 massive quark: 1704.01580

Several massive quarks: 1706.08526

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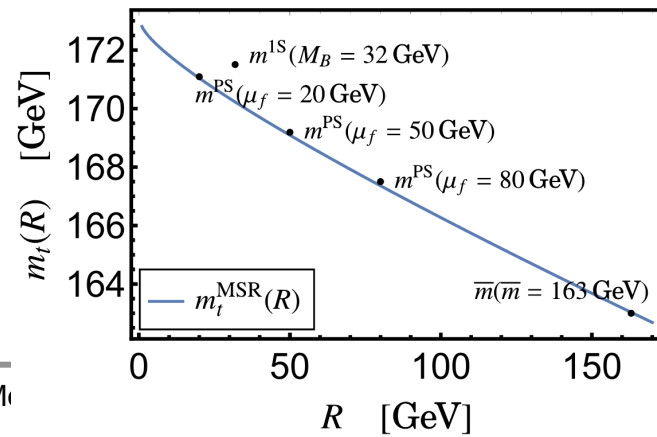


$$\text{MSbar} \quad \bar{m}_Q^{(n_\ell+1)}(m_Q) = \bar{m}_Q^{(n_\ell+1)}(\mu) \exp \left[- \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \gamma_{m,k}^{(n_\ell+1)} \int_{\log \mu^2}^{\log m_Q^2} d \log \bar{\mu}^2 \left(\frac{\alpha_s^{(n_\ell+1)}(\bar{\mu})}{4\pi} \right)^{k+1} \right]$$

$$\text{MSR:} \quad m_Q^{\text{MSR}}(m_Q) - m_Q^{\text{MSR}}(R) = - \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \gamma_n^R \int_R^{m_Q} dR \left(\frac{\alpha_s^{(n_\ell)}(R)}{4\pi} \right)^{n+1}$$

“R-evolution”

- MSR mass closely related to previously defined low scale short-distance masses: 1S, PS, RS,...

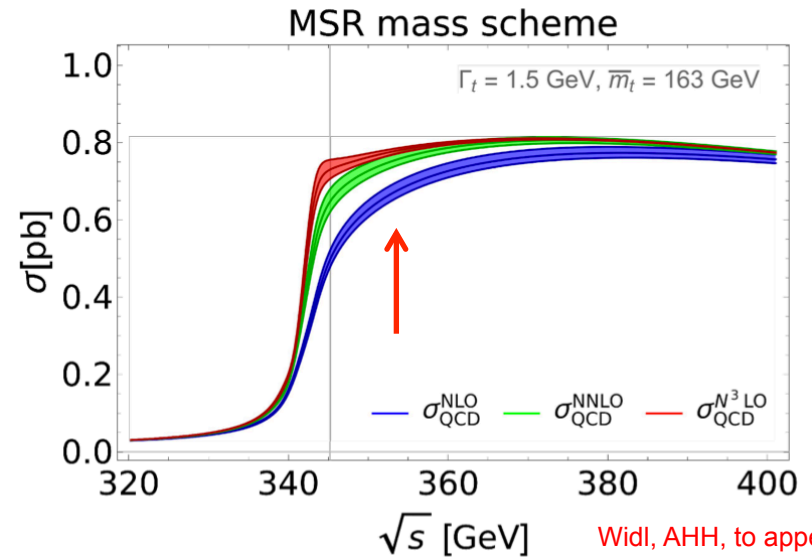
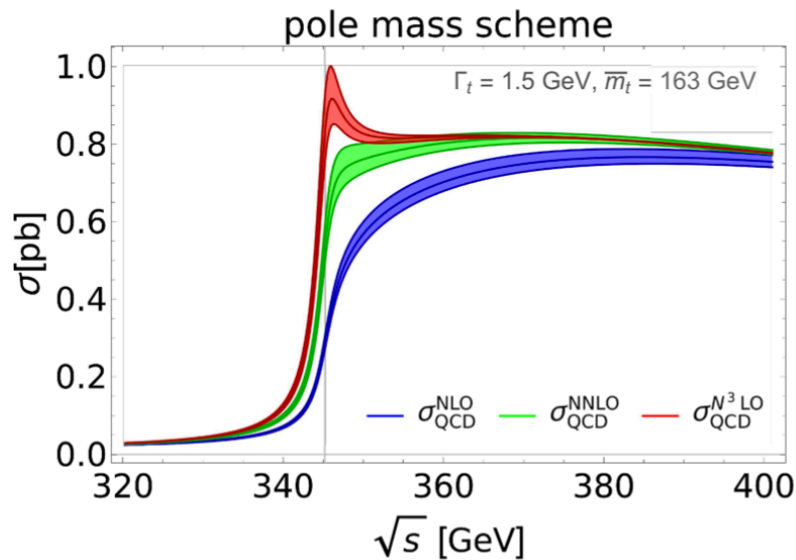


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- MSR mass can reduce the size of corrections in threshold related problems for an appropriate physical choice of scale.

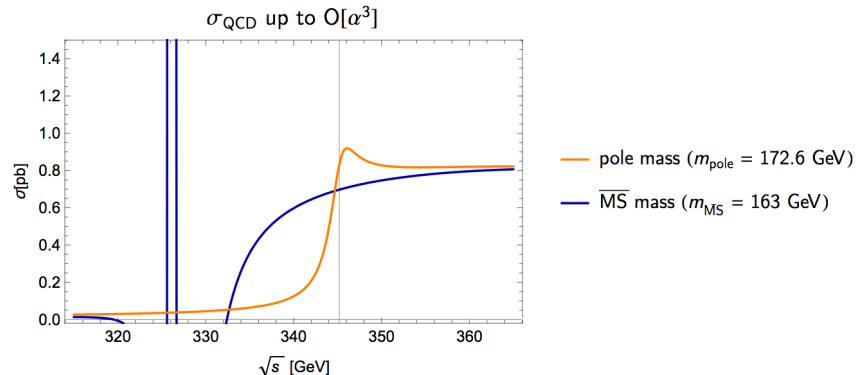
e.g. Total inclusive cross section $\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow tt + X)$

$$m_t^{\text{MSR}}(R = m_{tV})$$



Widl, AHH, to appear

Catastrophic results for MSbar scheme:



REvolver



Mateu, Lepenik, AHH, to appear

NEW !!

C++/Mathematica code for automated running and matching of masses and couplings in QCD

- Implements all knowledge available for most popular mass schemes: MSbar, MSR, 1S, PS, RS, RGI + pole
- Fully automatized RG-evolution (linear and linear)
- Implementation of all flavor threshold effects (top, bottom, charm)
- Full control over all input (order, scale-dependence, parametric input, etc.)
- Core concept to deal with parametric and order-dependent issues (uncertainties)
- Pole mass series implemented to all orders.

Factorization for Boosted Top Quarks


Applications to far:

- e^+e^- 2-jettiness distribution
 - Top MC mass calibration (ungroomed hemisphere jet masses) Butenschoen et al., 1604.08122
 - Systematic relation between m_t^{MC} and field theory mass schemes (parton level) AHH, Plätzer, Samitz 1807.06617
 - Consistency of width and hadronization in Pythia and Herwig AHH, Plätzer, Samitz w.i.p.
 - NNNLL + NNLO corrections in resonance region AHH, Mateu, Pathak, Stewart, w.i.p.
- Soft-dropped groomed top jet masses at the LHC
 - Top MC mass calibration AHH, Pathak, Stewart, 1708.02586
 - Structure of nonperturbative effects AHH, Pathak, Stewart, 1906.11843
- More to come: e.g. lepton energy distribution (semi-leptonic and all-lepton decays) AHH, Plätzer, Samitz w.i.p.

Main motivation: Improved understanding of top quark mass measurements with high precision, but interesting by itself.

MC Top Quark Mass

- Direct top mass measurements determine the Monte-Carlo top mass parameter.
→ Aim: learn about the relation of m_t^{MC} to field theory renormalization schemes.

$$m_t^{\text{MC}} = m_t^{\text{pole}} + \Delta_m^{\text{pert}} + \Delta_m^{\text{non-pert}} + \Delta_m^{\text{MC}}$$


pQCD contribution:

- Perturbative correction
- Depends on MC parton shower setup
- (Affected by finite width effects?)

Non-perturbative contribution:

- Effects of hadronization model
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MC top mass calibration for Pythia 8.2

- Boosted (quasi-collinear) top quarks
- 2-jettiness (production stage QCD dynamics only)
- No distinction between the three Δ contributions

Butenschoen et al., 1604.08122

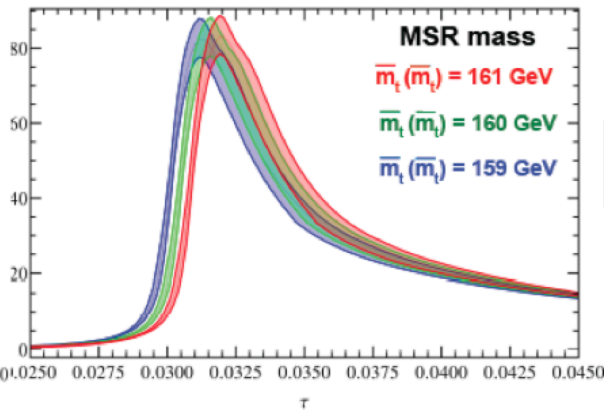
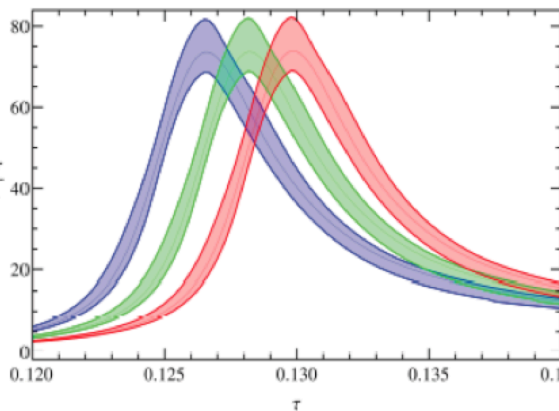
2-Jettiness Distribution at NNLL/NLO

Hadron-level prediction:

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\tau_2} = f(\underbrace{m_t^{\text{MSR}}(R), \delta m^{\text{MSR}}}_{\text{any scheme possible}}, \underbrace{\alpha_s(M_Z), \Omega_1, \Omega_2}_{\text{Non-perturbative}}, \underbrace{\mu_h, \mu_j, \mu_s, \mu_m}_{\text{renorm. scales}}, \underbrace{R, \Gamma_t}_{\text{finite lifetime}})$$

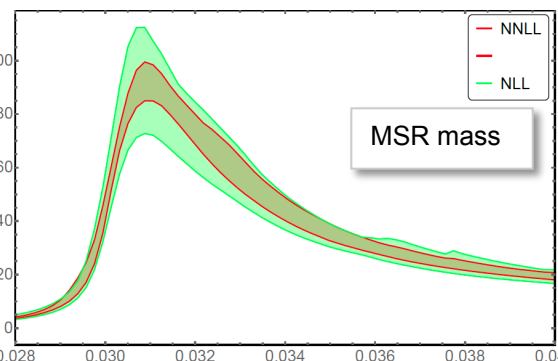
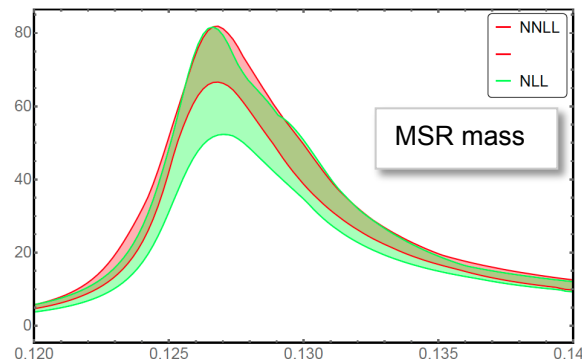
Q=700 GeV ($p_T = 350$ GeV)

Q=1400 GeV ($p_T = 700$ GeV)



Q=700 GeV

Q=1400 GeV



- Higher mass sensitivity for lower Q (p_T)
- Finite lifetime effects included
- Dependence on non-perturbative parameters
- Convergence: $\Omega_{1,2,\dots}$
- Good convergence
- Reduction of scale uncertainty (NLL to NNLL)
- Control over whole distribution
- Any mass scheme possible

m_t^{MC} Calibration using e^+e^- 2-jettiness

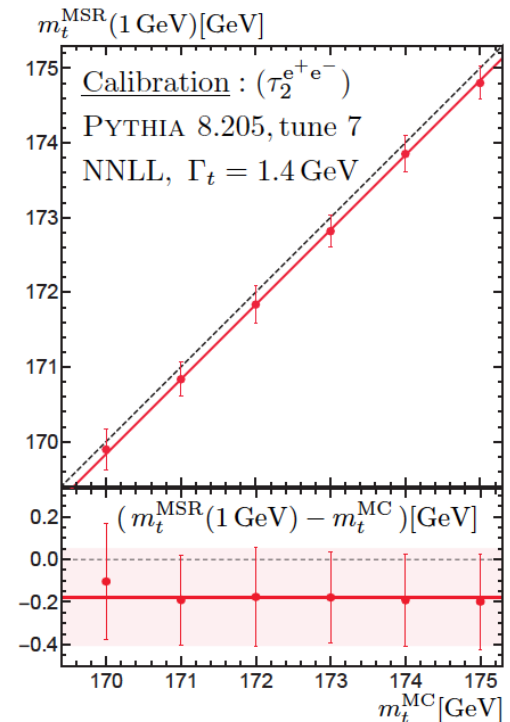
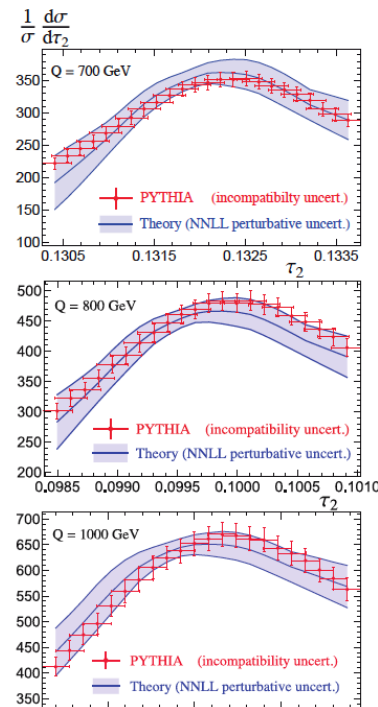
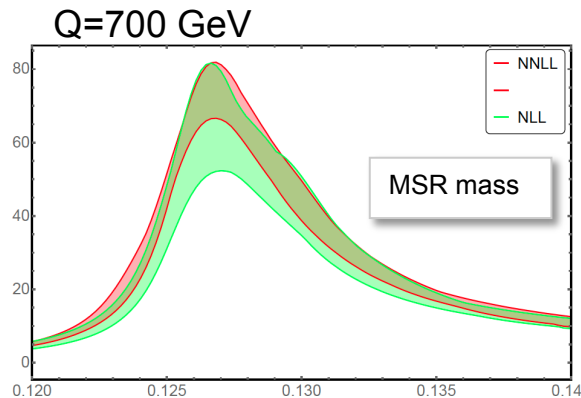
- [Butenschoen, Dehnadi, Hoang, Mateu, Preisser, Stewart \(2017\), arxiv:1608.01318](#)

▶ numerical relation between Pythia MC top mass and MSR mass using 2-jettiness in e^+e^- in the resonance region from calibration fits

▶ $m_t^{\text{MC}} = m_t^{\text{MSR}}(1 \text{ GeV}) + (0.18 \pm 0.22) \text{ GeV}$

$m_t^{\text{MC}} = m_t^{\text{pole}} + (0.57 \pm 0.28) \text{ GeV}$

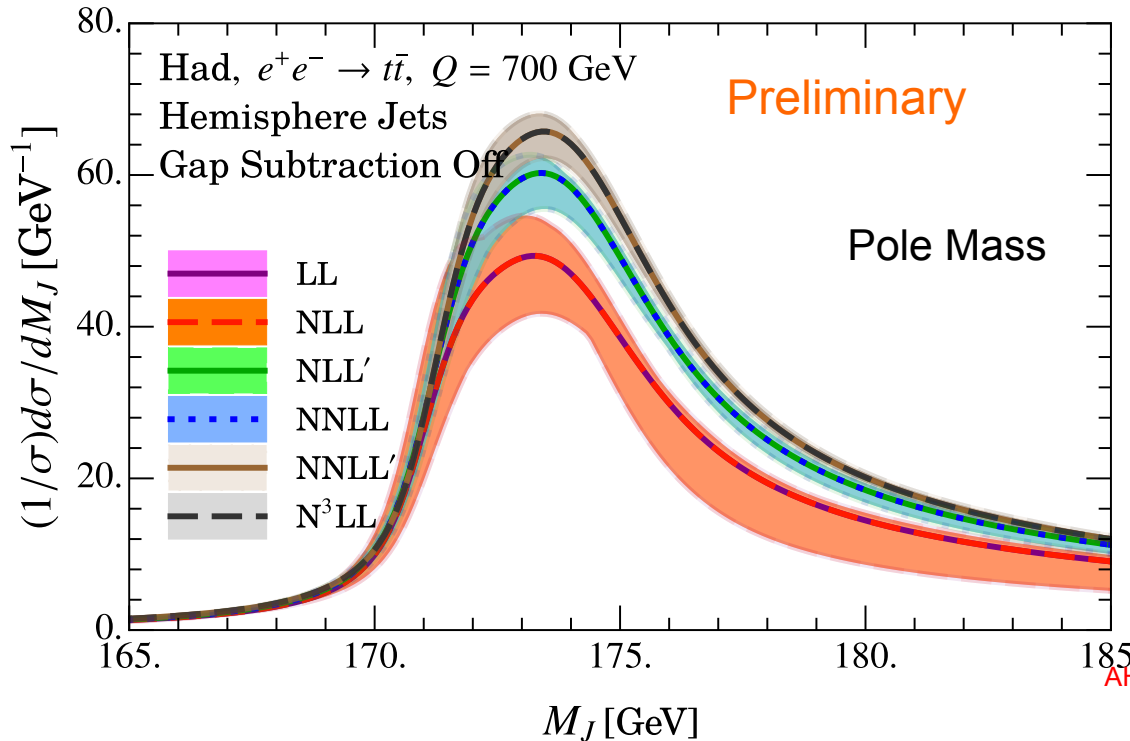
- Fits of NNLL+NLO+had.corr. theory predictions with Pythia 8.205
- Good agreement between Pythia and analytic calculation



2-Jettiness Distribution at NNNLL/NNLO

- NNLO-FO corrections to hard, mass-mode, soft and jet functions
- NNNLL corrections to all RG – evolution (4-loop cusp and 3-loop non-cusp)
- NNLO SCET jet function to extend away from resonance also known

AHH, Lepenik, Stahlhofen, 1904.12839



- Resonant (bHQET) cross section, subleading ($\sim 10\%$) SCET and non-singular corrections still missing.
- Imposing no soft-function gap-subtraction and using the pole mass scheme leads to a reasonable convergence due to a cancellation of renormalon contributions in the soft and the jet function.

AHH, Mateu, Pathak, Stewart., w.i.p.

$$\frac{1}{\sigma_0} \frac{d\sigma}{d\tau_2} = m_t Q^2 H_{\text{evol}}^{(5,6)}(Q, m_t, v, \mu; \mu_H, \mu_m) \times \int d\ell d\hat{s}'_\tau U_B^{(5)}(\hat{s}_\tau - v\ell - \hat{s}'_\tau, \mu, \mu_B) J_{B,\tau_2}^{(5)}(\hat{s}'_\tau, \Gamma_t, \delta m, \mu_B) \\ \times \int d\ell' dk U_S^{(5)}(\ell - \ell', \mu, \mu_S) \hat{S}_{\tau_2}^{(5)}(\ell' - k, \bar{\delta}, \mu_S) F(k, 2\bar{\Delta})$$

Fit Result: Top Width Dependence

Plätzer, Preisser, Samitz, AHH, w.i.p.

Top width dependence

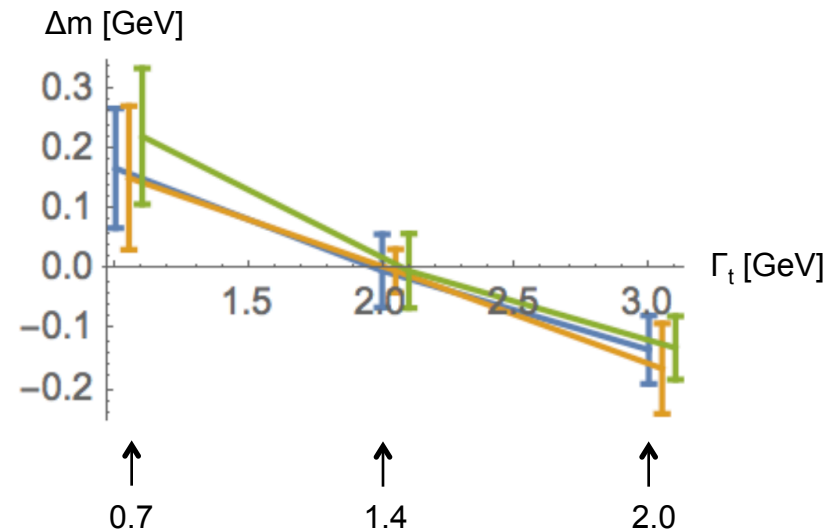
$$\Delta m = m_t^{\text{MSR}}[\Gamma_t] - m_t^{\text{MSR}}[\Gamma_t=1.4]$$

- Clear sensitivity to top width value.
- Pythia resonance peak position does not depend on value of Γ_t
- Theory resonance peak position increases with Γ_t
- Conclusion: **Pythia does not describe the top width dependence in a way compatible with theory.**

The m_t^{MC} calibration results obtained with Pythia^{8.205} contain a systematic shift related to Pythia's incorrect description of finite-lifetime effects.

$$\alpha_s(M_Z)=0.118$$

$$m_t^{\text{MC}}=173$$

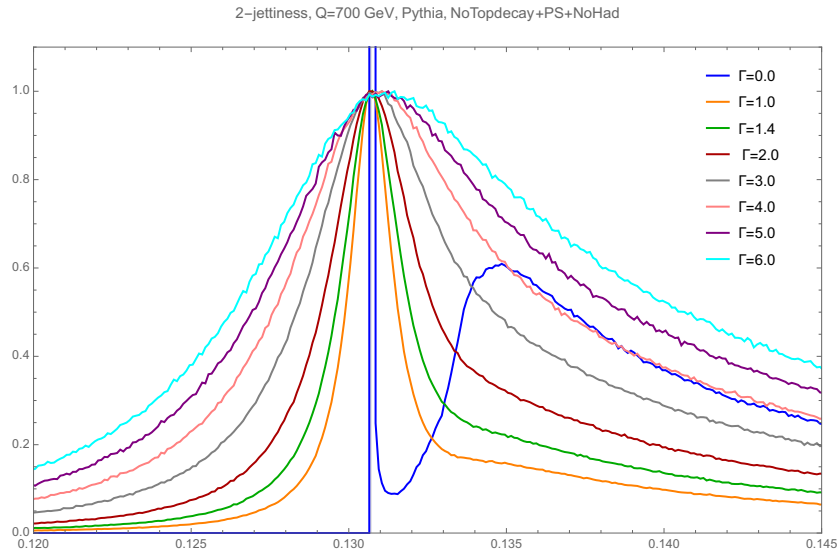


- Three colors: tunes 1, 3, 7
- Error bars: standard deviation of best mass value distribution in 500 profile function fits

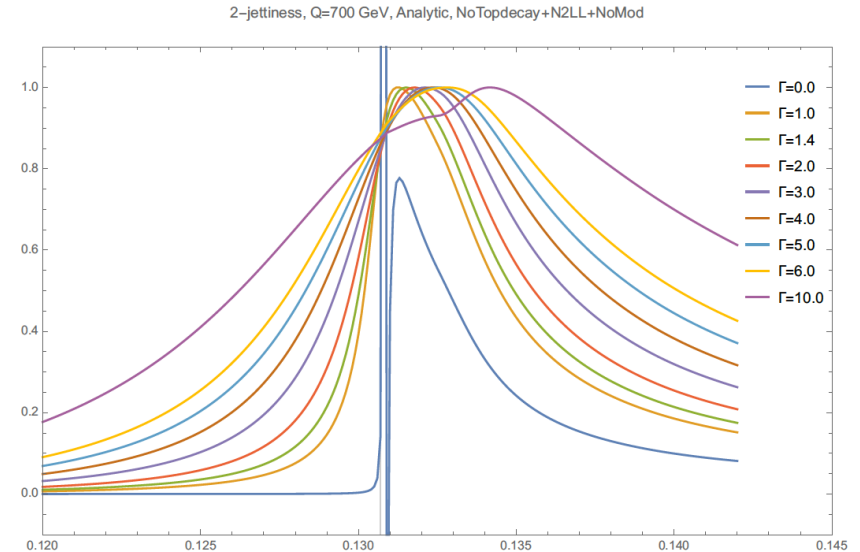
Top Resonance: factorization vs. Pythia

Plätzer, Preisser, Samitz, AHH, w.i.p.

Pythia



QCD Factorization



MC generators themselves need to be scrutinized and understood thoroughly when/before addressing the interpretation of the MC top quark mass.

→ Motivation for “On the Shower Cut Dependence of the Quark Mass Parameter in Angular Ordered Parton Showers” (arXiv:1807.06617)

MC Top Quark Mass

- Direct top mass measurements determine the Monte-Carlo top mass parameter.
→ Aim: learn about the relation of m_t^{MC} to field theory renormalization schemes.

$$m_t^{\text{MC}} = m_t^{\text{pole}} + \Delta_m^{\text{pert}} + \Delta_m^{\text{non-pert}} + \Delta_m^{\text{MC}}$$

pQCD contribution:

- Perturbative correction
- Depends on MC parton shower setup
- (Affected by finite width effects?)

Non-perturbative contribution:

- Effects of hadronization model
- May depend on parton shower setup

Monte Carlo shift:

- Contribution arising from systematic MC uncertainties
- E.g. color reconnection, b-jet modeling, ...
- Should be covered by 'MC uncertainty' or better negligible

Analysed for Herwig angular-ordered parton

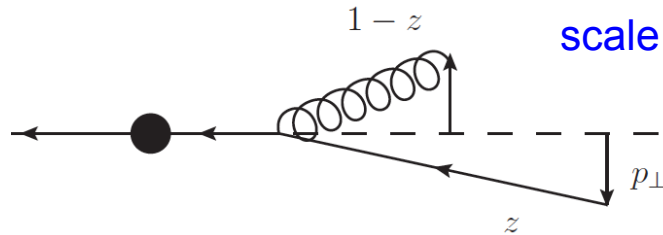
- Boosted (quasi-collinear) top quarks
- Stable top quarks
- 2-jettiness (production stage QCD dynamics only)

AHH, Plätzer, Samitz 1807.06617

Cutoff in Angular Ordered Parton Showers

Catani, Marchesini, Webber 1991
Gieseke, Stephens, Webber, 2003

→ Coherent branching: (basis of the Herwig parton shower)



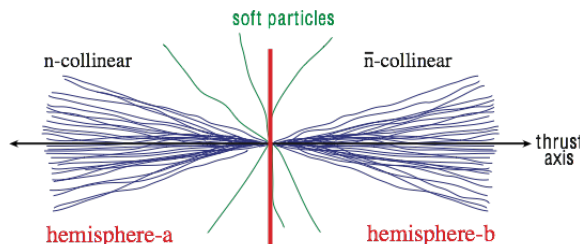
scale in α_s : $\mu^2 = p_{\perp}^2 + (1 - z)^2 m^2$ cutoff: $p_{\perp}^2 > Q_0^2$

Usually not present in analytic QCD !

2-Jettiness τ_2 distribution In the peak region (for e^+e^- and boosted tops) can be analytically computed in QCD factorization (SCET) at NLL+NLO and coherent branching (CB) at NLL.

$$\left(\frac{d^2\sigma}{dM_t^2 dM_{\bar{t}}^2} \right)_{\text{hemi}} = \sigma_0 H_Q(Q, \mu_m) H_m\left(m, \frac{Q}{m}, \mu_m, \mu\right) \times \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dl^+ dl^- B_+\left(\hat{s}_t - \frac{Ql^+}{m}, \Gamma, \mu\right) B_-\left(\hat{s}_{\bar{t}} - \frac{Ql^-}{m}, \Gamma, \mu\right) S_{\text{hemi}}(l^+, l^-, \mu)$$

Fleming, Mantri, Stewart, AHH, 2007



↑
Ultra-collinear radiation

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Large-angle soft radiation

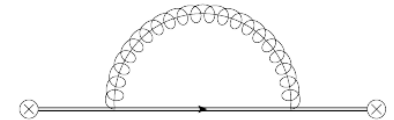
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Cutoff in Angular Ordered Parton Showers

Dependence on the parton shower cut Q_0 :

- Pole of the top quark propagator = $m_t^{\text{CB}}(Q_0) \neq m_t^{\text{pole}}$ (**coherent branching mass**)

$$m_t^{\text{CB}}(Q_0) = m_t^{\text{pole}} - \frac{2}{3} Q_0 \alpha_s(Q_0) + \mathcal{O}(\alpha_s(Q_0)^2)$$



- In the presence of the shower cut the **ultra-collinear radiation** generated by CB produces exactly the mass scheme change correction that is required so that the generator mass is exactly the coherent branching mass $m_t^{\text{CB}}(Q_0)$.

$$\sigma(m_1, Q, \dots) = \sigma(m_2, Q, \dots) + \delta m \times \left. \frac{d}{dm} \sigma(m, Q, \dots) \right|_{m=m_1} + \dots$$

$$\delta m = m_2 - m_1$$

← Scheme change correction

- The shower cut also affects **large-angle soft radiation**. The corresponding effects are directly tied to the amount of hadronization effects that are fixed by tuning
- All conclusions explicitly cross checked by correspondence between analytic QCD factorization calculations and analytic solutions of the CB algorithm.

Plätzer, Samitz, AHH; arXiv:1807.06617

Hadronization: Herwig vs analytic QCD

Plätzer, Samitz, AHH; w.i.p

How well does Herwig's hadronization model match the analytic prediction?

We start with an analysis for massless quarks first.

- For massless quark production a change of Q_0 only modifies the soft function

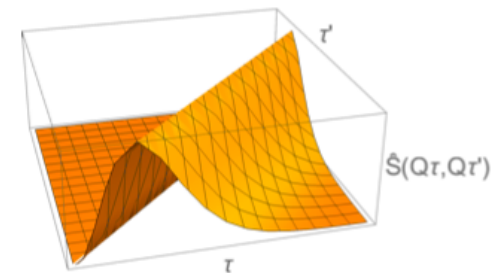
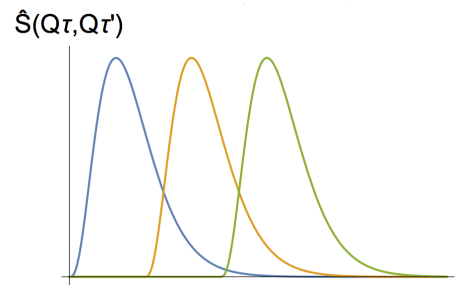
$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\tau}(\tau, Q, Q_0) = \int_0^{Q\tau} d\ell \frac{d\hat{\sigma}}{d\tau}\left(\tau - \frac{\ell}{Q}, Q, Q_0'\right) S_{\text{mod}}(\ell + \Delta_{\text{soft}}(Q_0) - \Delta_{\text{soft}}(Q_0'))$$

- Any change of the shower cut from Q_0 to Q_0' can be compensated by a modification of the soft function gap (or its first moment) by the amount

$$\Delta_{\text{soft}}(Q_0) - \Delta_{\text{soft}}(Q_0') = 16 \int_{Q_0'}^{Q_0} dR \left[\frac{\alpha_s(R) C_F}{4\pi} + \mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^2) \right]$$

- Convolution above implies that each parton level bin τ' get smeared with a function that should satisfy

$$\hat{S}(Q\tau, Q\tau') = S_{\text{mod}}(Q(\tau - \tau'))$$



Hadronization: Herwig vs analytic QCD

Herwig Cluster Model

- standard hadronization model of Herwig:
cluster hadronization model

[Webber (1984)]

- final state gluons split into $q\bar{q}$
- color-connected quarks combined into preconfined clusters
- for heavy clusters: fission along string axis (repeat until light enough)
- final clusters decay isotropically into hadrons
- various tuning parameters, specifying e.g. mass spectrum of daughter clusters, maximum mass of final clusters, constituent masses, ...

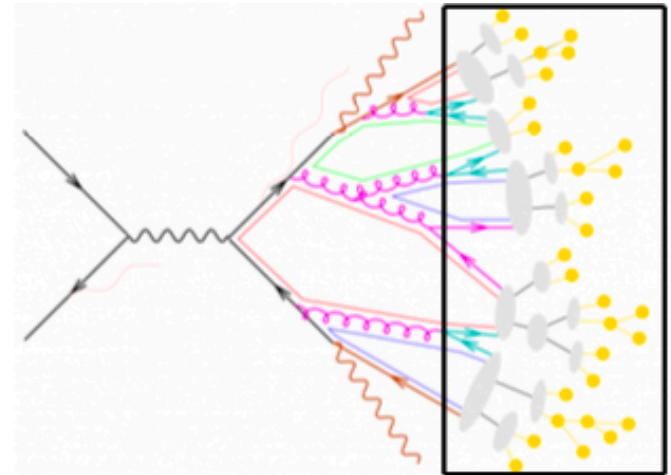


Figure from D. Zeppenfeld

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We want to study Herwig's cluster model in more detail.

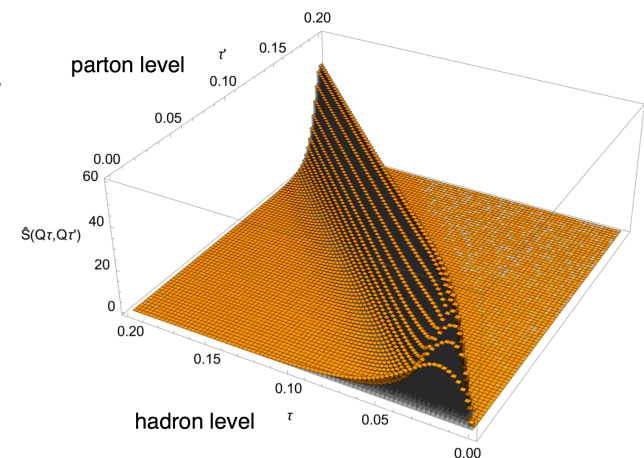
- Define (observable dependent) hadronization transfer function

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\tau}(\tau, Q) = \int d\tau' \frac{d\hat{\sigma}}{d\tau}(\tau', Q) \hat{S}(Q_\tau, Q_{\tau'})$$

- Interpretation of $\hat{S}(Q_\tau, Q_{\tau'})$: probability distribution that an event with partonic value τ' has a hadron level value τ .
- Compatibility with QCD factorization demands: $\hat{S}(Q_\tau, Q_{\tau'}) = S(Q(\tau - \tau'))$

We modified Herwig to allow the extraction of the event-by-event parton-to-hadron level transfer matrix.

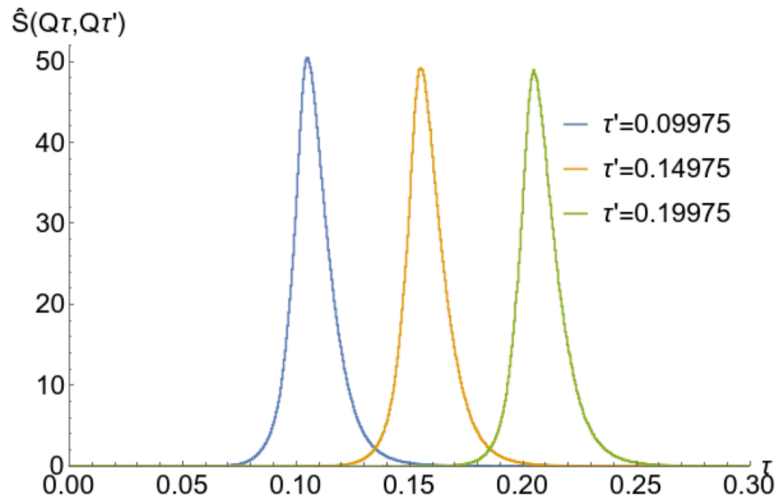
- Results can be filled in a 2D histogram that shows how each parton level bin is migrated into hadron level bins
- Can be used to extract Herwig's hadronization function



Hadronization: Herwig vs analytic QCD

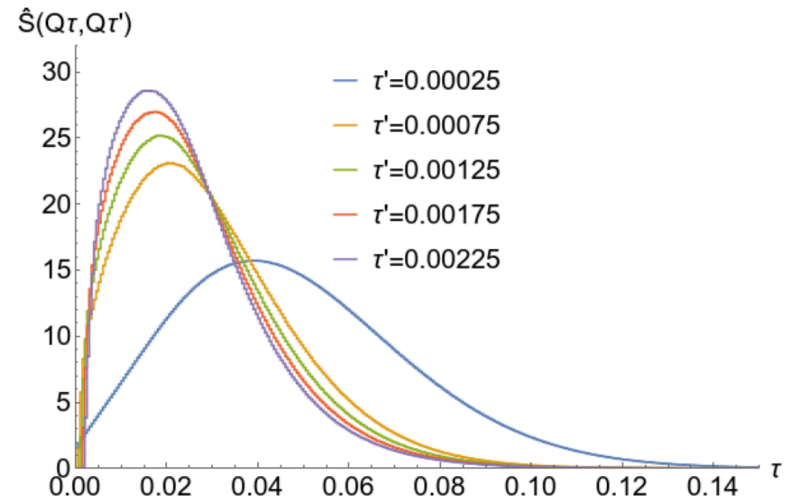
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effective hadronization function in the tail:



compatibel with $\hat{S}(Q\tau, Q\tau') = S(Q(\tau - \tau'))$

effective hadronization function in the peak:



not compatibel with $\hat{S}(Q\tau, Q\tau') = S(Q(\tau - \tau'))$

- This means that $\Delta_m^{\text{non-pert}}$ has a significant size for Herwig's cluster hadronization model.
- Modification of Herwig's cluster fission algorithms mandatory to make it compatible with QCD factorization in the resonance region where the highest top mass sensitivity arises.

Conclusions / Outlook

- Boosted top quarks are a very useful system to study because production, single top evolution and top decay can be nicely separated in the context of QCD factorization
- Allows to do many first principles calculations
- Allows to study subtle questions (e.g. MC top mass parameter interpretations for boosted top observables)
- Allows to scrutinize the components of MC generators (parton shower and hadronization model) and check the individual compatibility to QCD