



# Top Mass and Cross Section at ATLAS

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# Why the top quark?

- In the SM it's the only quark:

1. With a natural mass:

$$m_{top} = y_t v / \sqrt{2} \approx 173 \text{ GeV} \Rightarrow y_t \approx 1$$

- Top quark interacts strongly with the Higgs sector - special role in EWSB?

2. That decays before hadronizing:

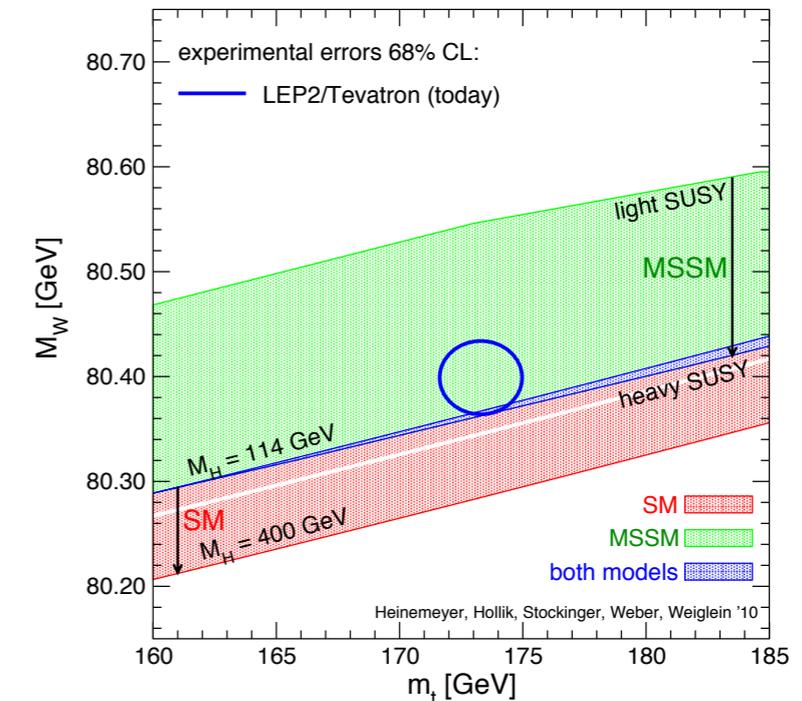
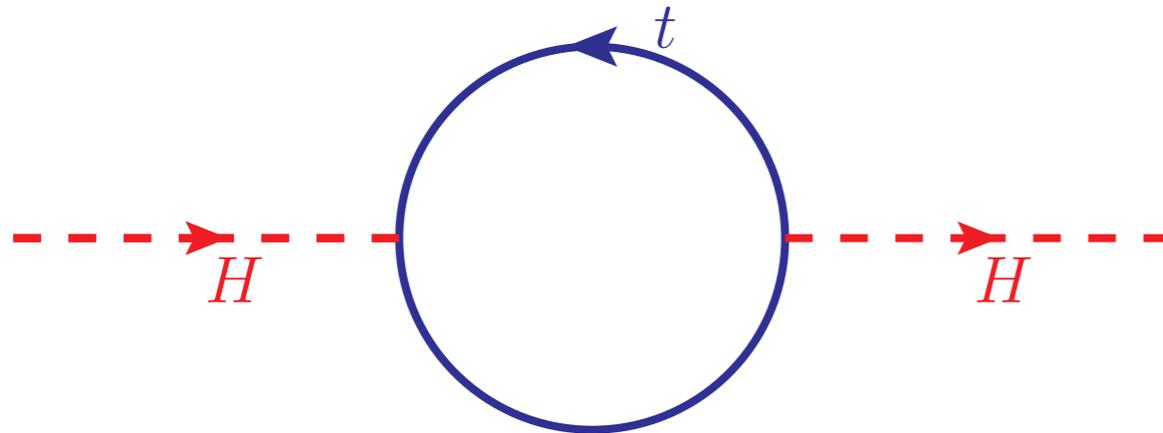
$$\tau_{had} \approx 2 \times 10^{-24} \text{ s}$$

$$\tau_{top} \approx 5 \times 10^{-25} \text{ s}$$

- Top is a unique window on QCD & EW physics.

# Why the top quark?

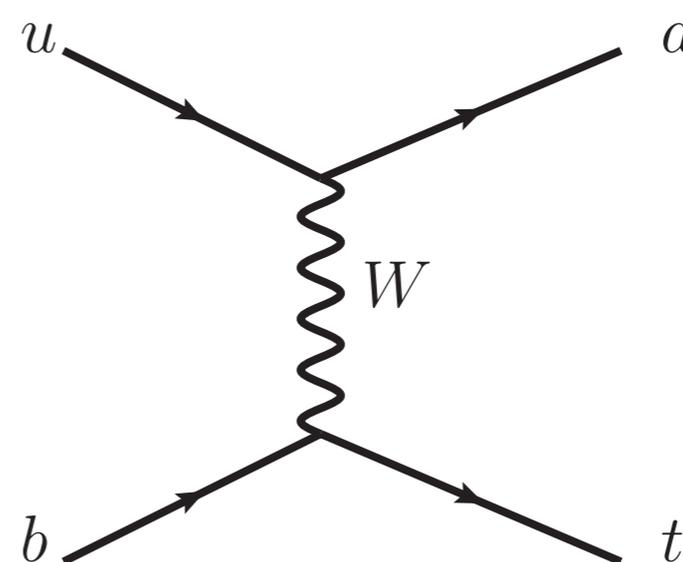
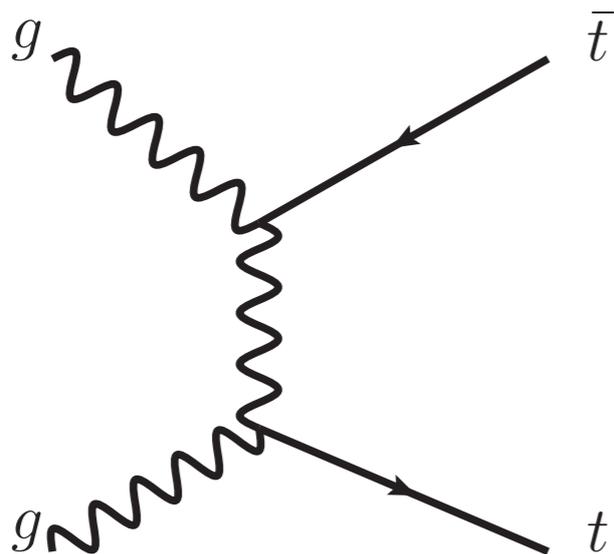
- Higgs mass in the SM is sensitive to the top quark mass:



- In effective theory approach: 
$$\Delta m_H^t \sim -\frac{3}{8\pi^2} y_t \Lambda^2$$
- For less than 90% cancellation: 
$$\Lambda < 3 \text{ TeV}$$
- Top quark could be the place we see new physics.

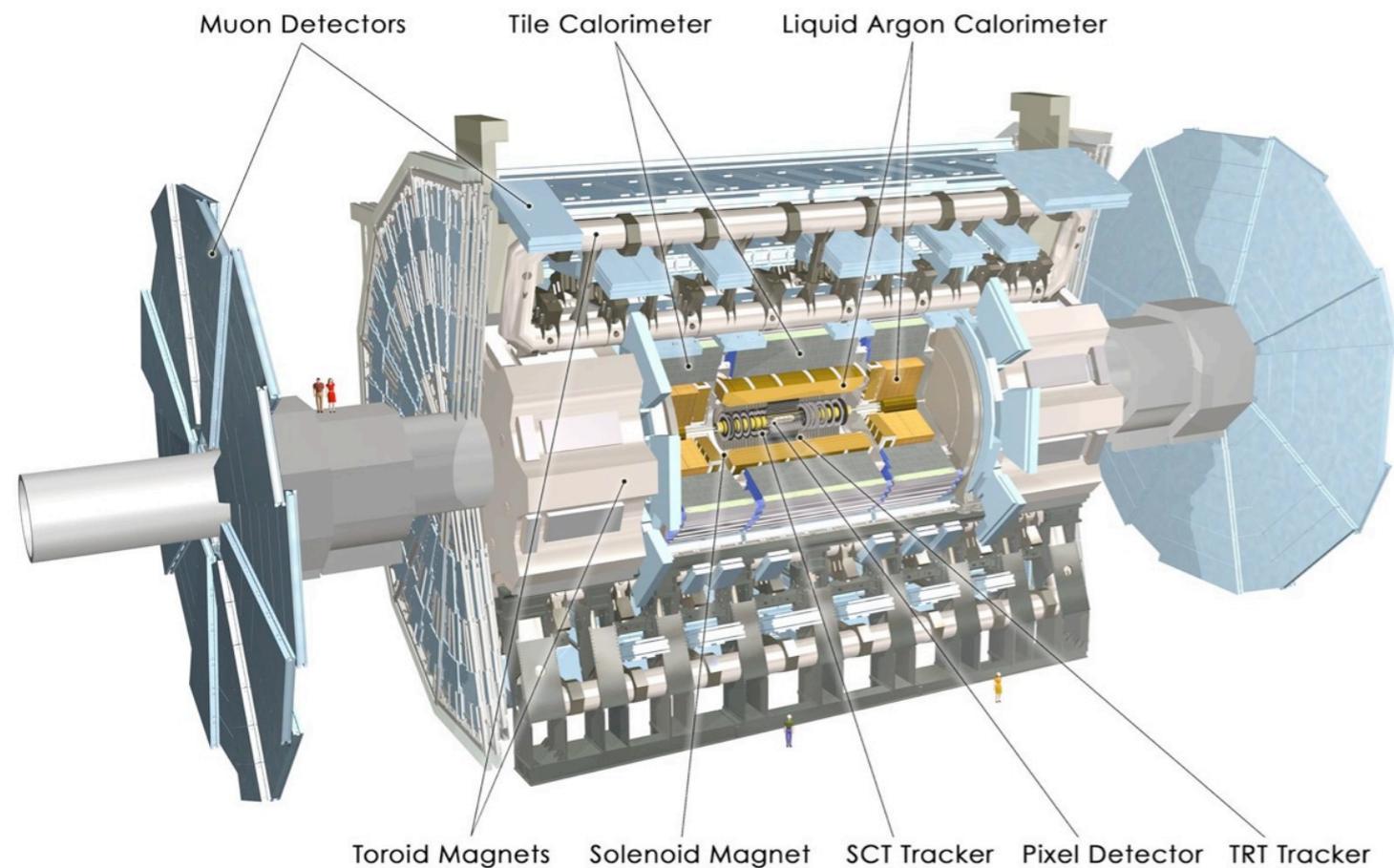
# Top Production

- Top pair production: QCD process, dominated by gg fusion.
  - Large cross section,  $\sigma = 165$  pb
  - Test perturbative QCD, large sample for top properties studies.
- Single top production: EW process
  - Smaller cross section:  $\sigma_{t\text{-chan}} = 66$  pb
  - Probe EW interactions of the top quark.

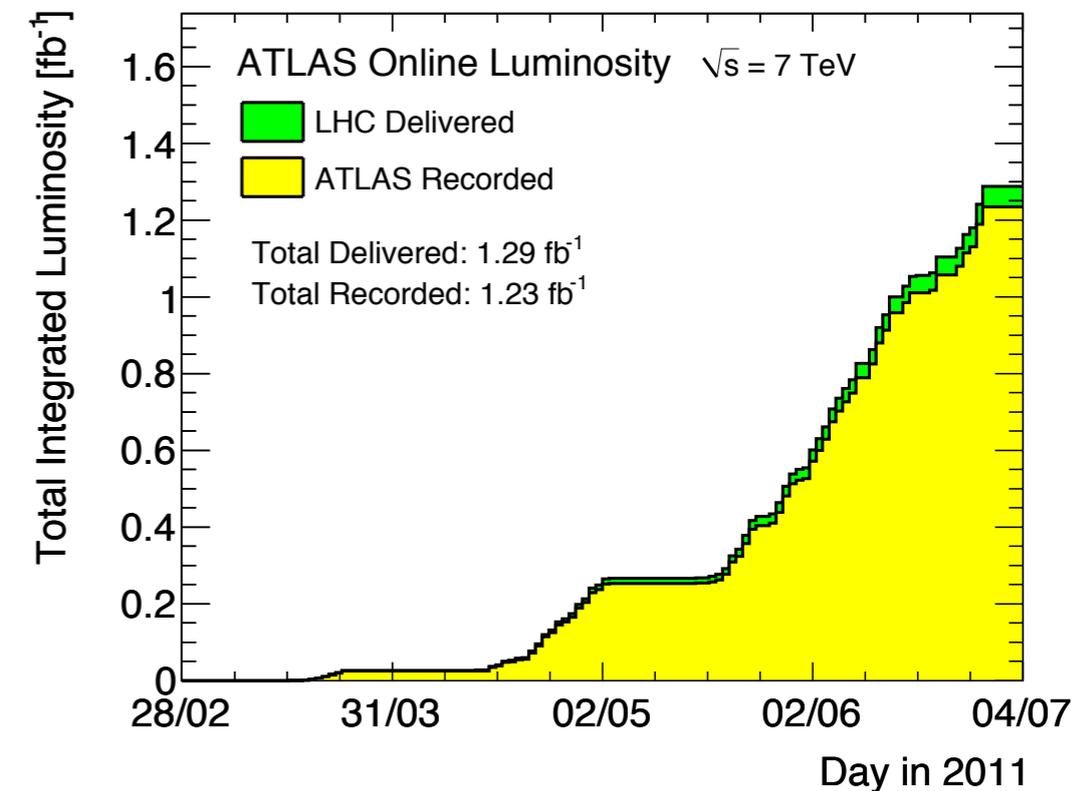
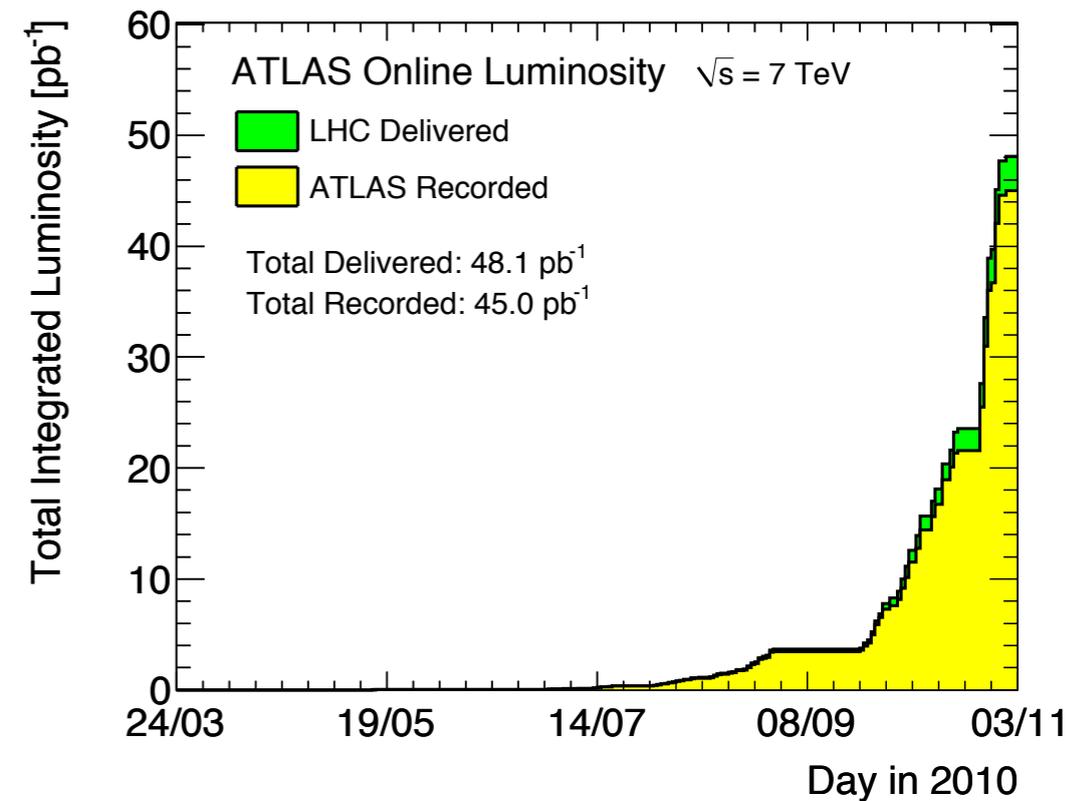




- Fantastic LHC performance:



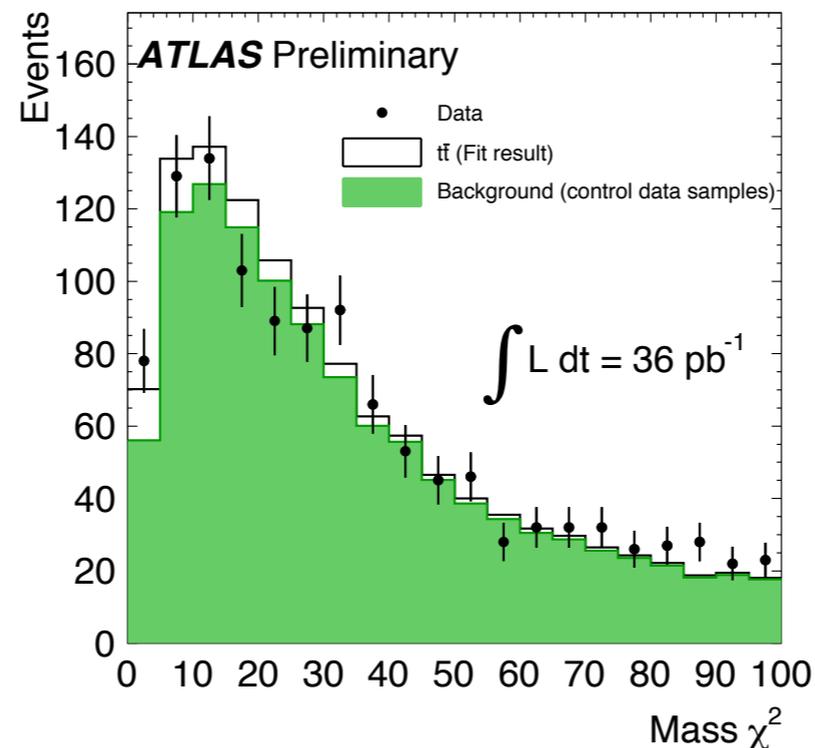
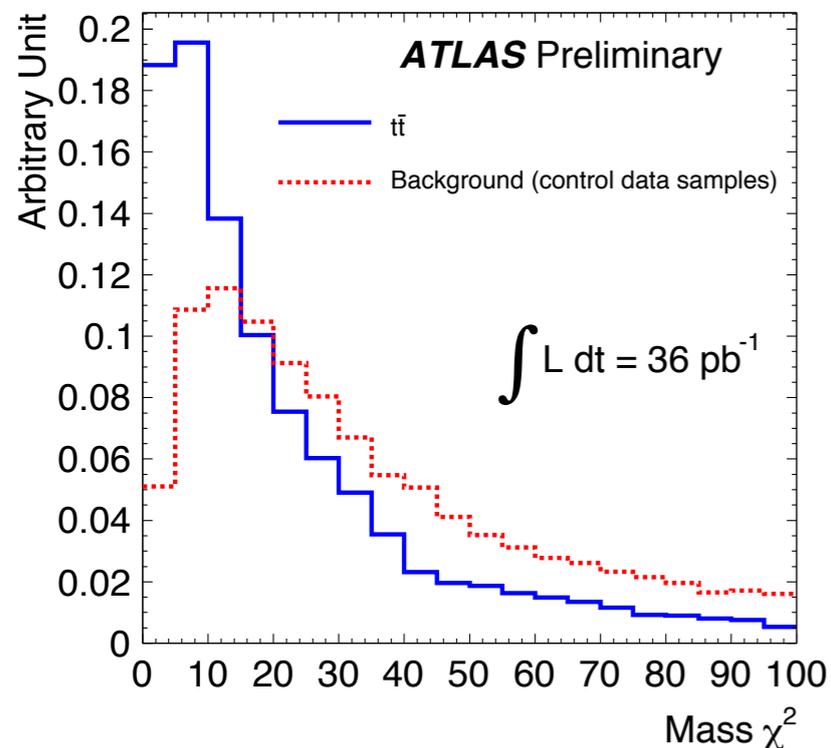
- More tops on tape now than at a CDF or D0.
- Most results in this talk: 2010 data,  $L=35 \text{ pb}^{-1}$ . Single top observation uses 2011 data ( $L=146 \text{ pb}^{-1}$ ).



# All Hadronic Search

- Select events with 6-jets, two of which must be identified as originating from b-decays using a secondary vertex tagger.
- Discriminate between signal & background with  $\chi^2$ :

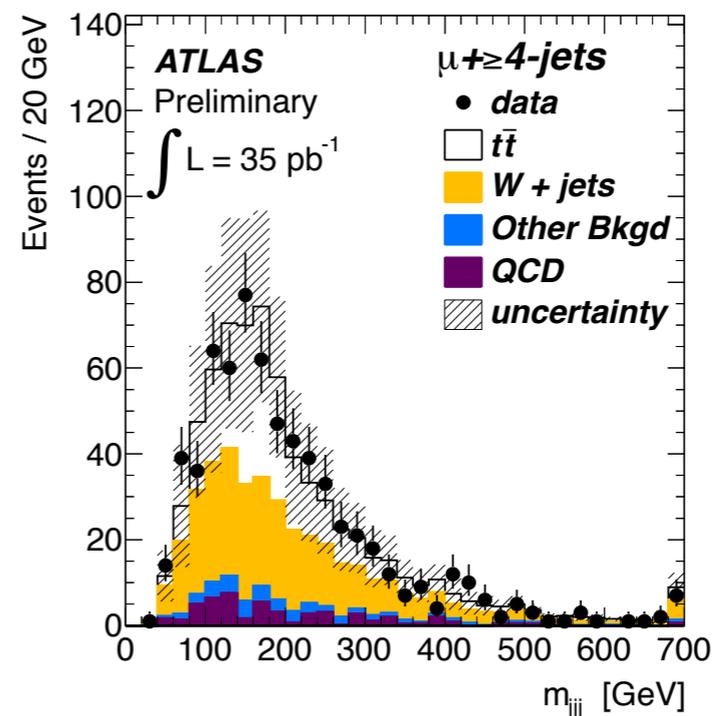
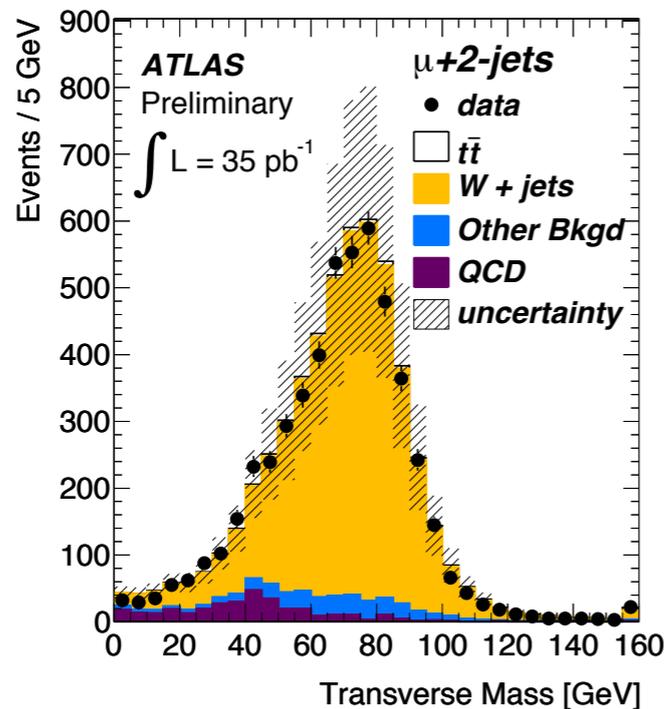
$$\chi^2 = \sum_{i=1}^2 \left( \frac{m_{jjb}^i - m_t}{\sigma_t} \right)^2 + \left( \frac{m_{jj}^i - m_W}{\sigma_W} \right)^2$$



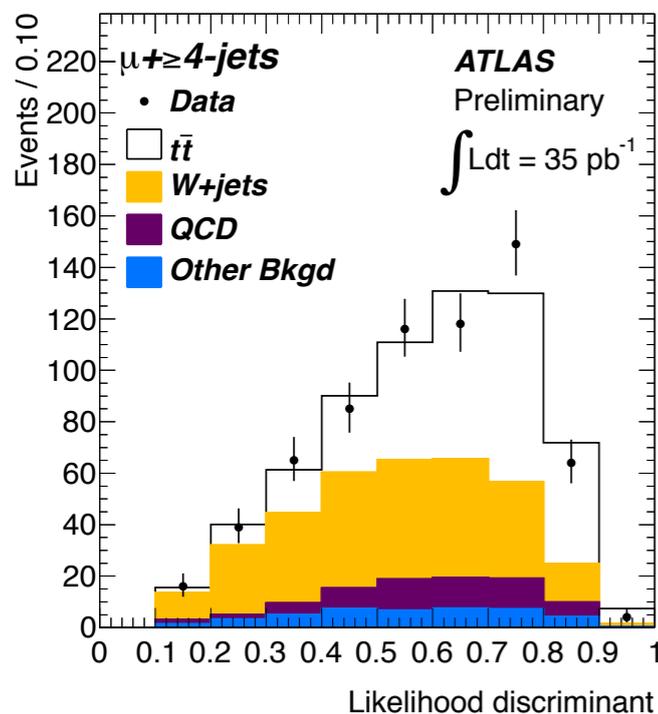
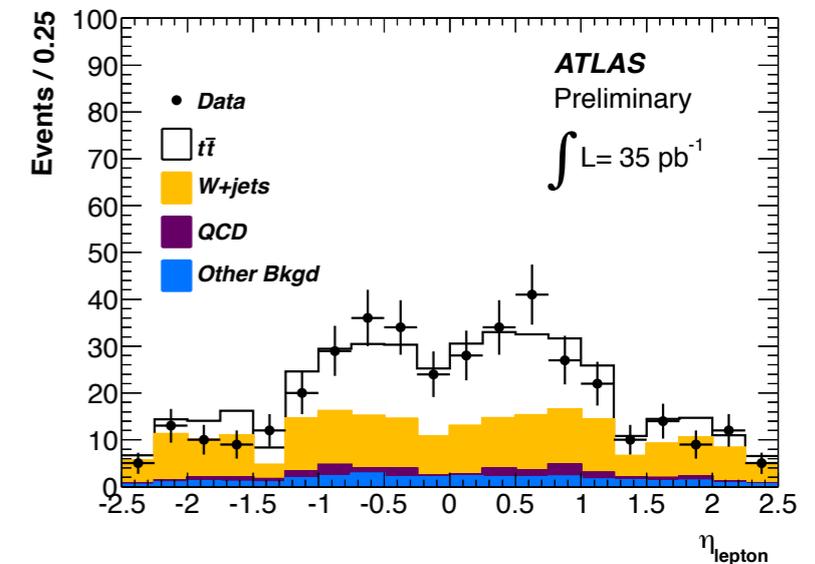
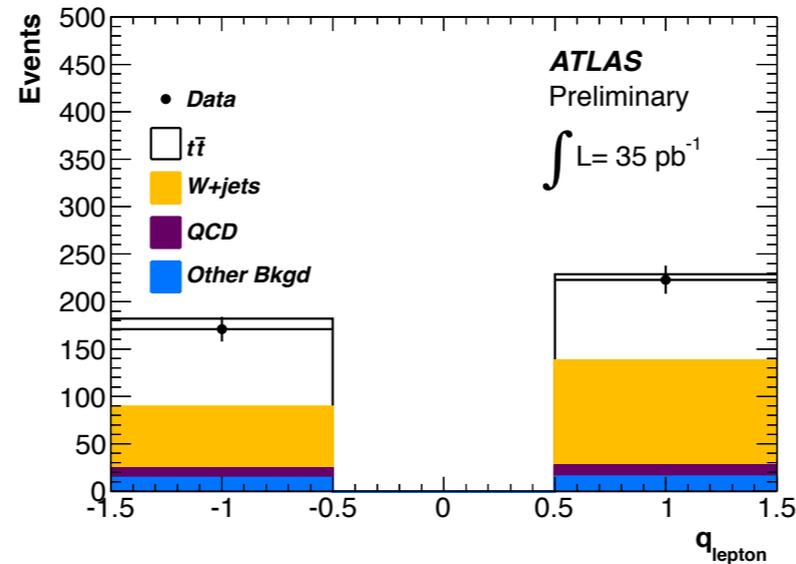
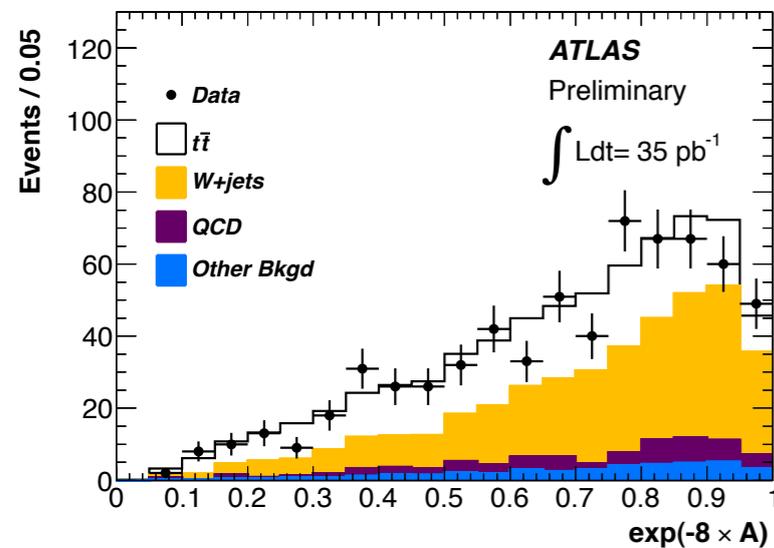
Challenging S:B ~ 1:15  
 Main systematics:  
 b-tagging, JES

$$\sigma(t\bar{t}) < 261 \text{ pb @ 95\%CL}$$

- Select events with high  $p_T$  lepton, high transverse missing energy and multiple jets.
- Cross section can be extracted with and without the use of b-tagging information - provides confirmation it really is the top quark.
- Multijet backgrounds modelled using data,  $W$ +jets shape from simulation, but normalisation typically allowed to float.



- Analysis without b-tagging combines 3 variables that separate top from W+jets in a likelihood discriminant:

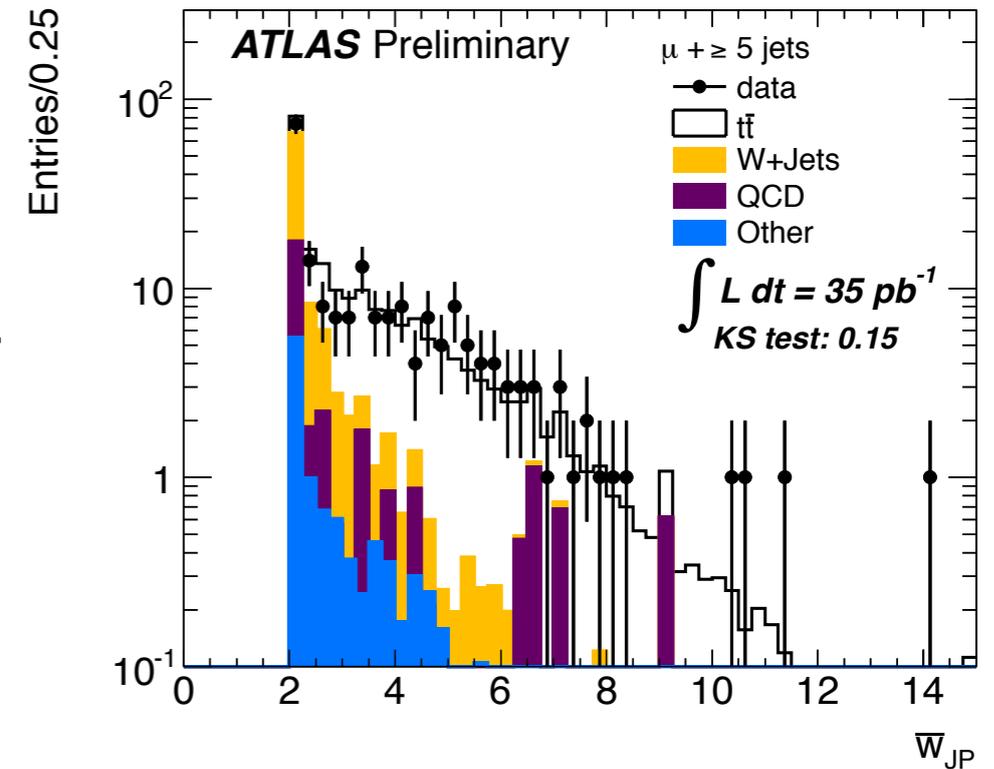
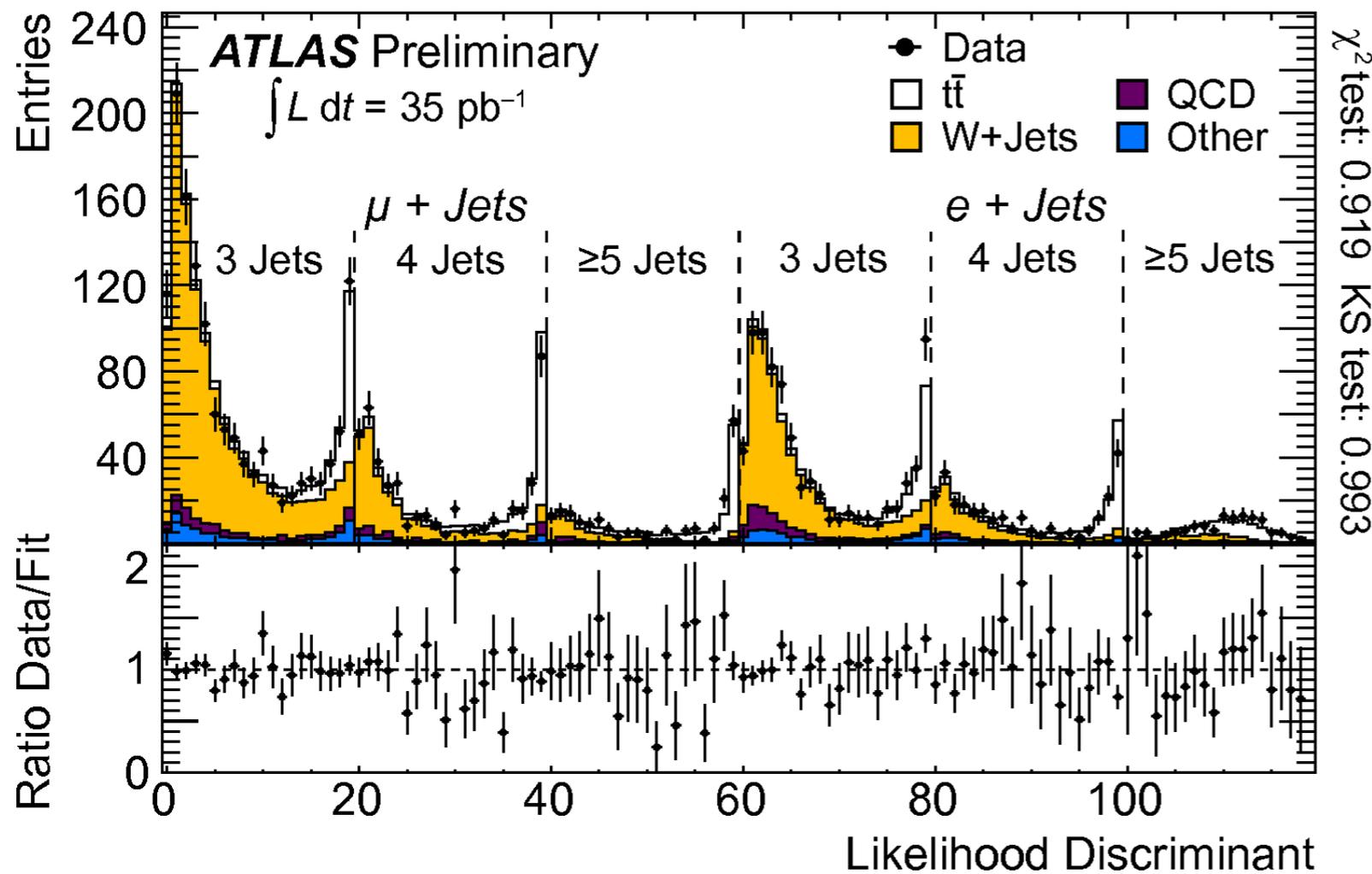


Fit templates to data - systematic uncertainties included in the fit and can be constrained by the data.

Largest systematic uncertainties from jet energy scale & reconstruction.

$$\sigma(t\bar{t}) = 171 \pm 17_{-17}^{+20}(\text{*syst.*}) \pm 6(\text{*lumi.*}) \text{ pb}$$

- Analysis with b-tagging is similar, but adds continuous b-jet probability variable:

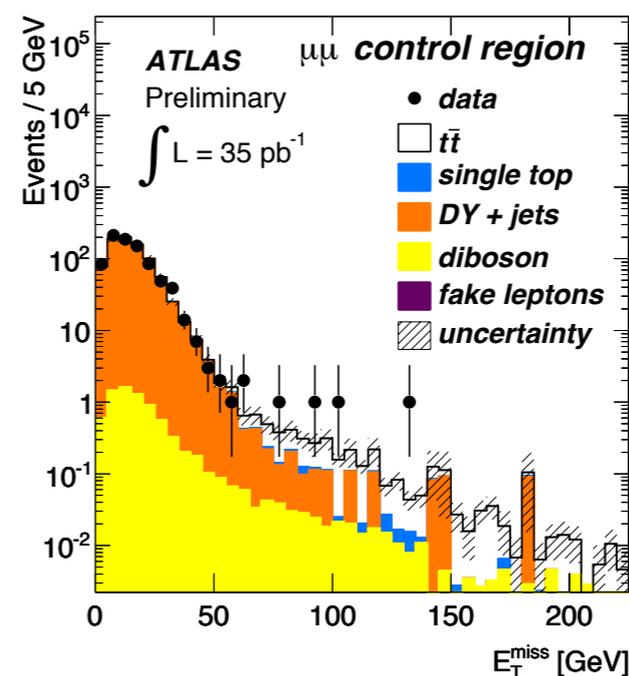
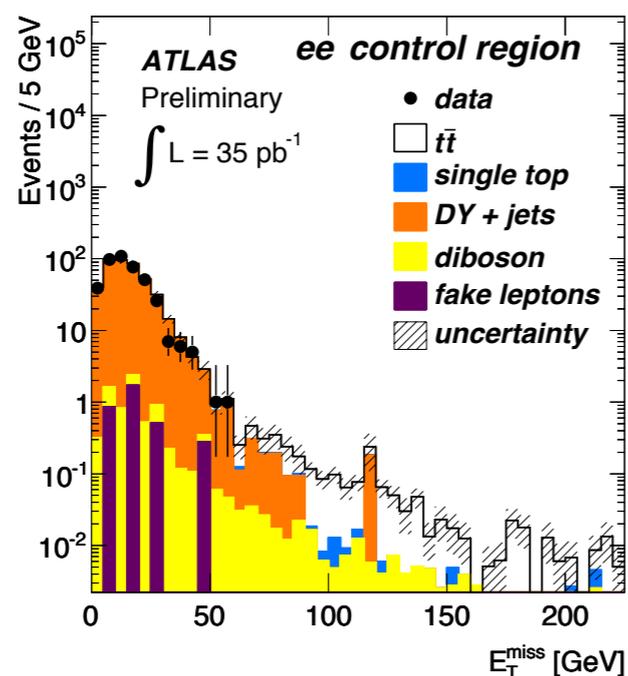


Largest systematic uncertainties from W + heavy flavour & b-tagging.

$$\sigma(tt) = 186 \pm 10^{+21}_{-20} (syst.) \pm 6 (lumi.) \text{ pb}$$

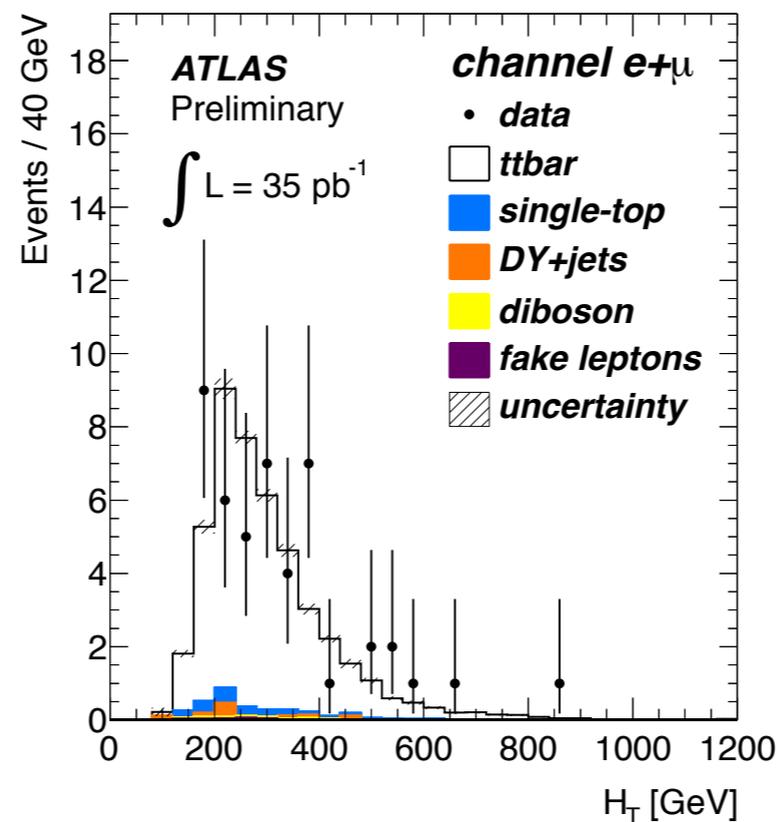
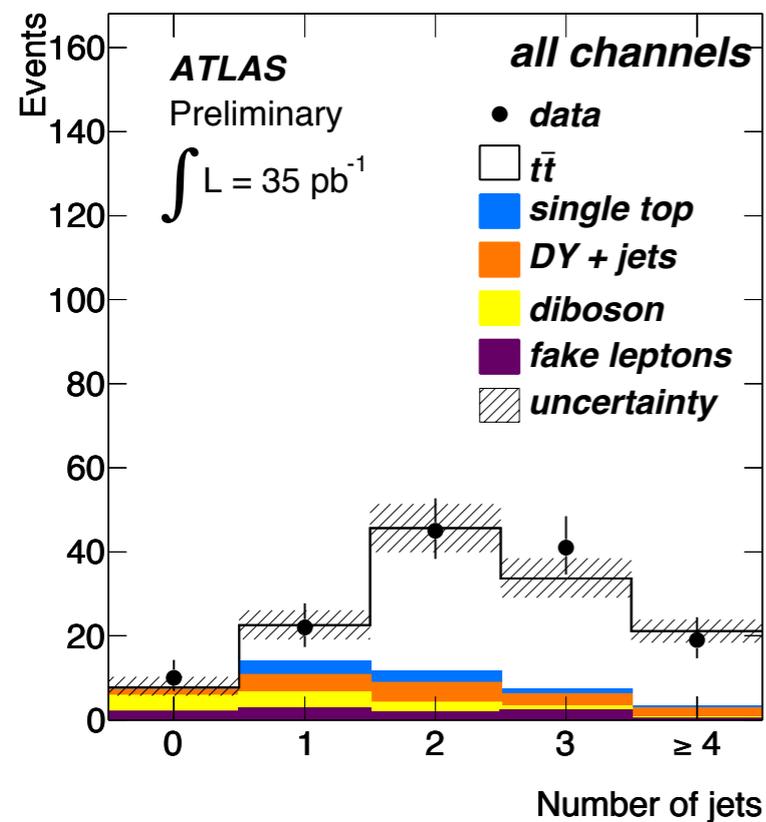
# Dilepton Cross Section

- Select events with two opposite sign leptons.
- For  $ee$  &  $\mu\mu$ , reject  $Z$  events with MET and  $m_{ll}$  selections.
- Backgrounds:
  - $Z$  + jets - for  $ee$  &  $\mu\mu$  normalized in data control region
  - $W$  + jets + QCD - extracted from the data.
  - Diboson / single top - from MC.



# Dilepton Cross Section

- Clean final state - cross section extracted from counting events with at least two jets.
- Analysis with b-tagging uses looser kinematic selections.



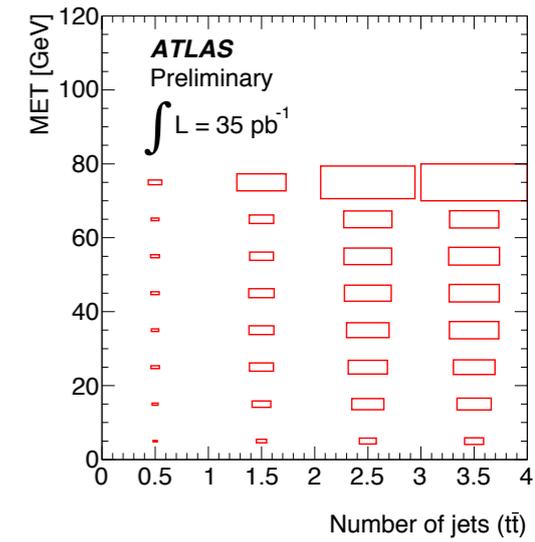
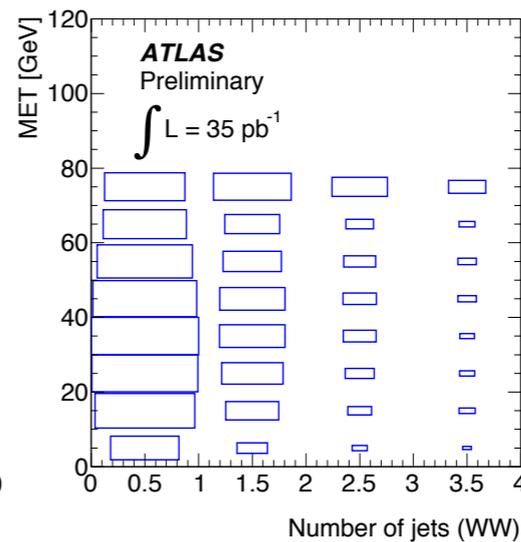
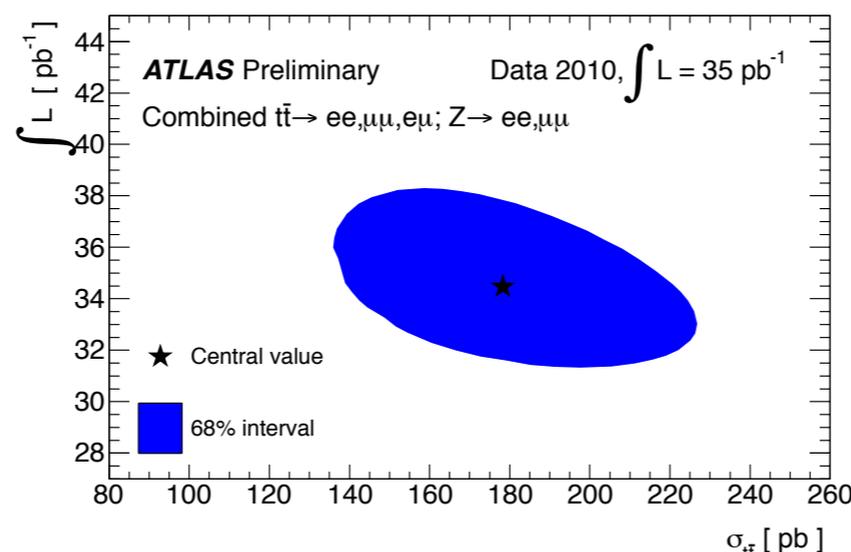
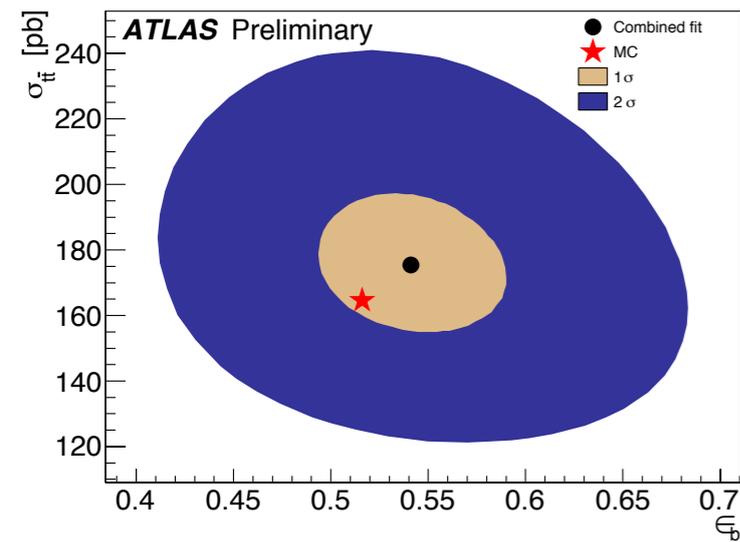
Largest systematic uncertainties from JES, lepton ID, MC modelling & b-tagging.

$$\sigma(t\bar{t}) = 173 \pm 22_{-16}^{+18} (\text{*syst.*})_{-7}^{+8} (\text{*lumi.*}) \text{ pb} \quad (\text{w/o b-tagging})$$

$$\sigma(t\bar{t}) = 171 \pm 22_{-16}^{+21} (\text{*syst.*})_{-6}^{+7} (\text{*lumi.*}) \text{ pb} \quad (\text{w/ b-tagging})$$

# Dilepton Cross Section

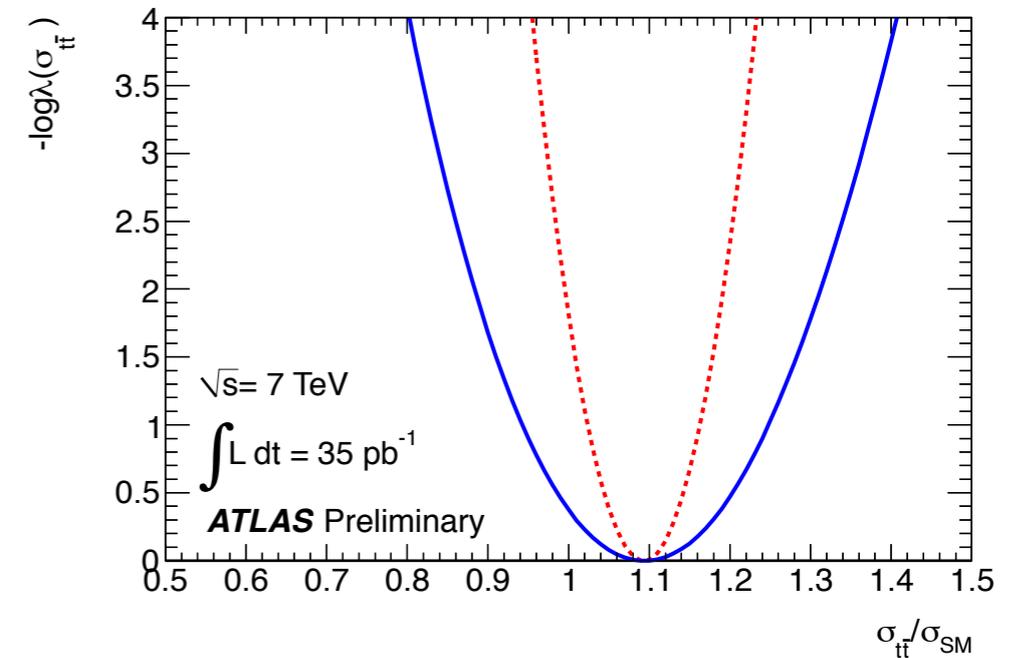
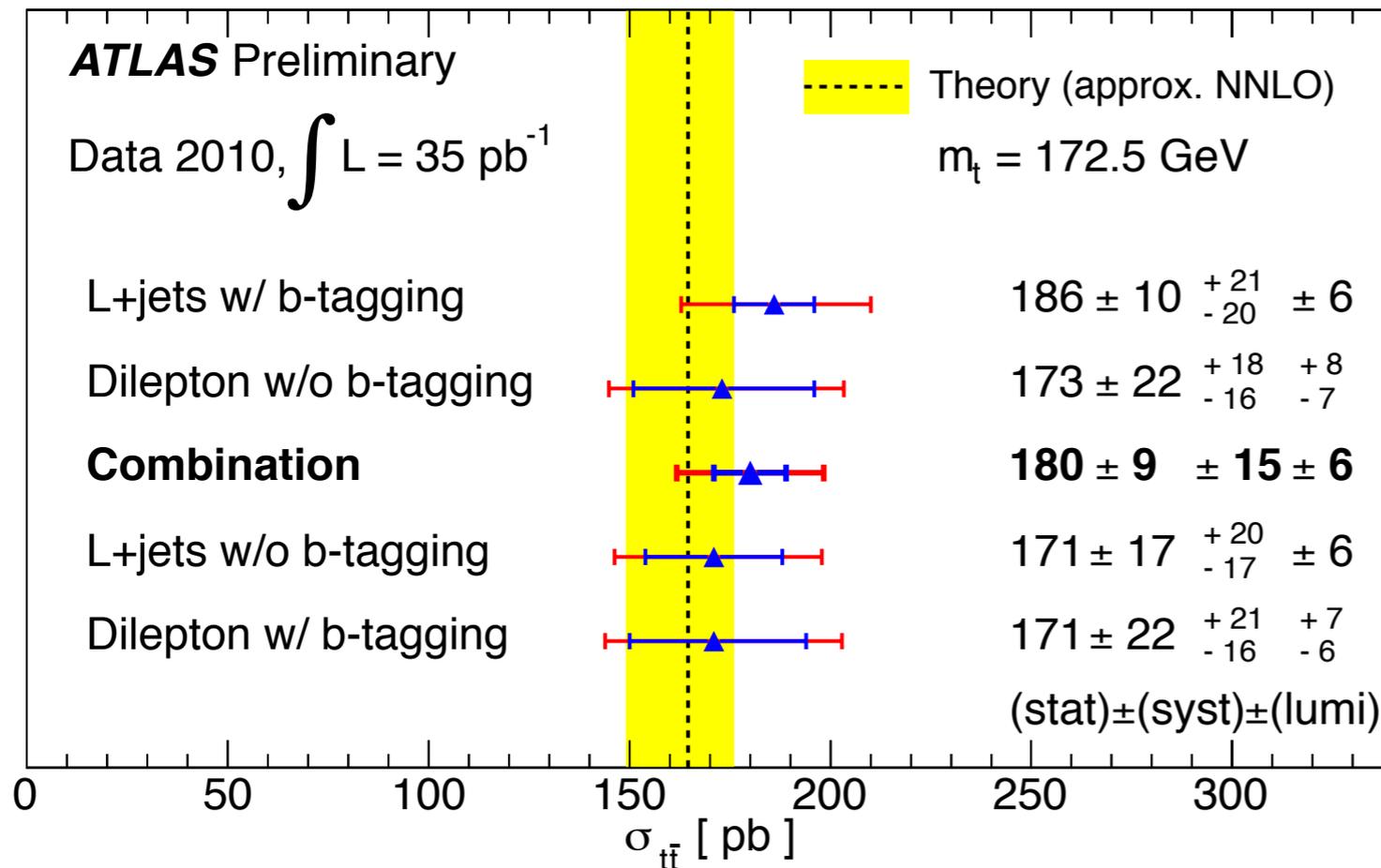
- Alternate techniques possible to cross-check primary results:
  - Perform 2D fit for cross-section & b-tag efficiency.
  - Add Z sample & perform 2D fit for cross-section & luminosity.
  - Perform 'inclusive' dilepton analysis by fitting n(jets), MET.



	$\sigma_{t\bar{t}}$ [pb]	$\sigma_{WW}$ [pb]	$\sigma_{Z \rightarrow \tau\tau}$ [pb]
$e\mu$	$163 \pm 28 \pm 14 \pm 6$	$46 \pm 26 \pm 9 \pm 2$	$1400 \pm 290 \pm 160 \pm 40$
All channels	$171 \pm 22 \pm 14 \pm 5$	$59 \pm 21 \pm 12 \pm 2$	$1400 \pm 290 \pm 160 \pm 40$
Theory	$165^{+11}_{-16}$	$46.2^{+2.3}_{-2.3}$	$1076^{+54}_{-54}$

All results consistent -  
top quark production  
well established at LHC.

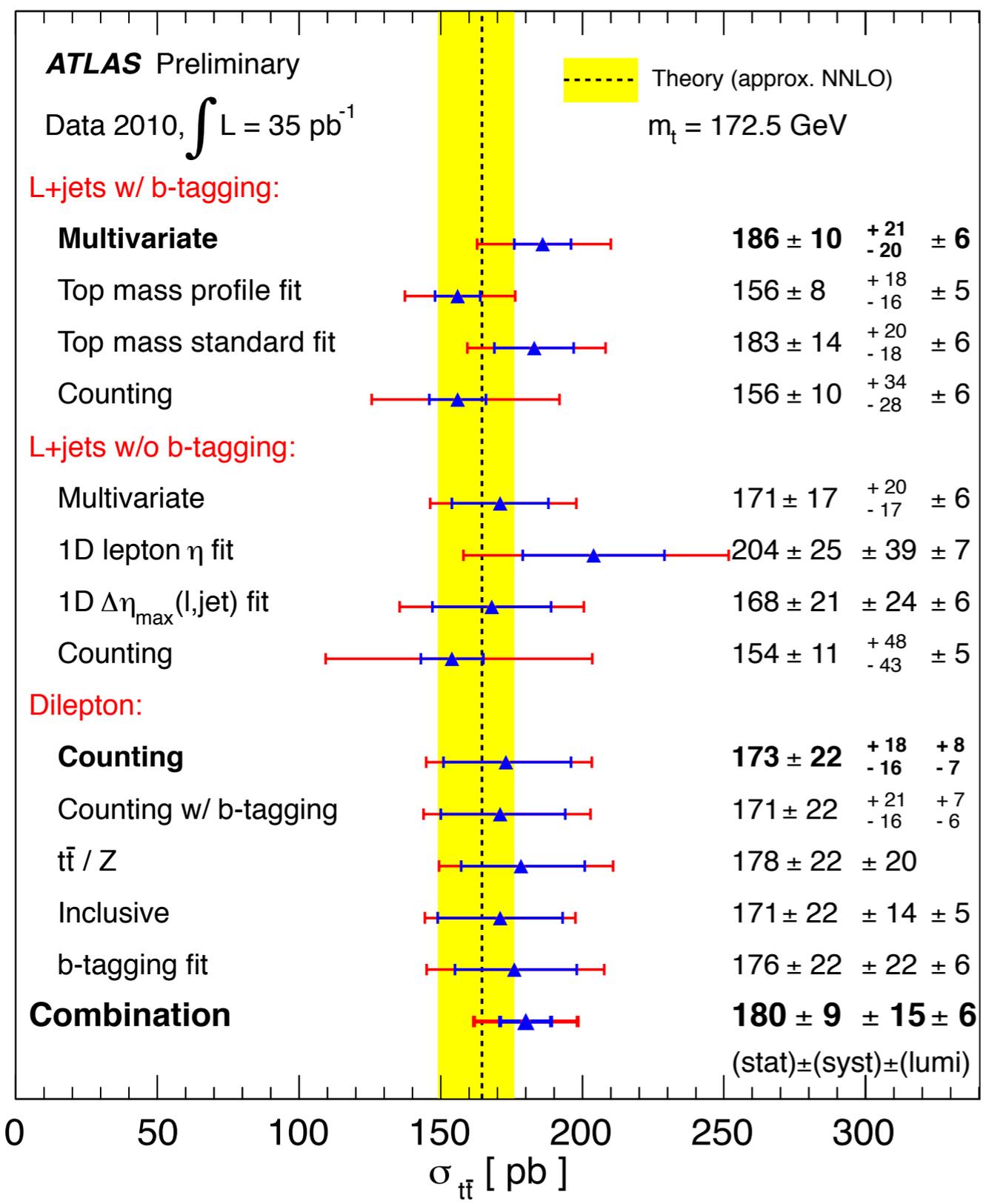
- Combine untagged dilepton analysis with tagged lepton + jets analysis in a profile likelihood fit.



$$\sigma_{t\bar{t}} = 180 \pm 18 (\text{comb.}) \text{ pb}$$

- Achieve 10% precision on top pair production cross section with 2010 data.

# Cross Section Summary

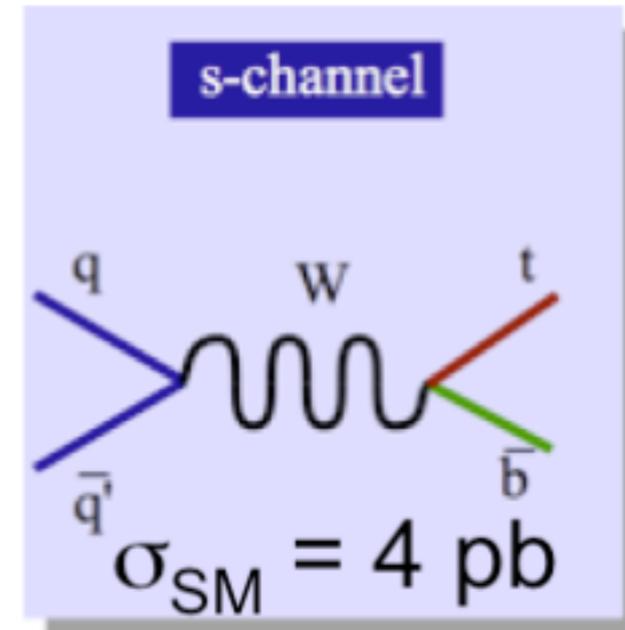
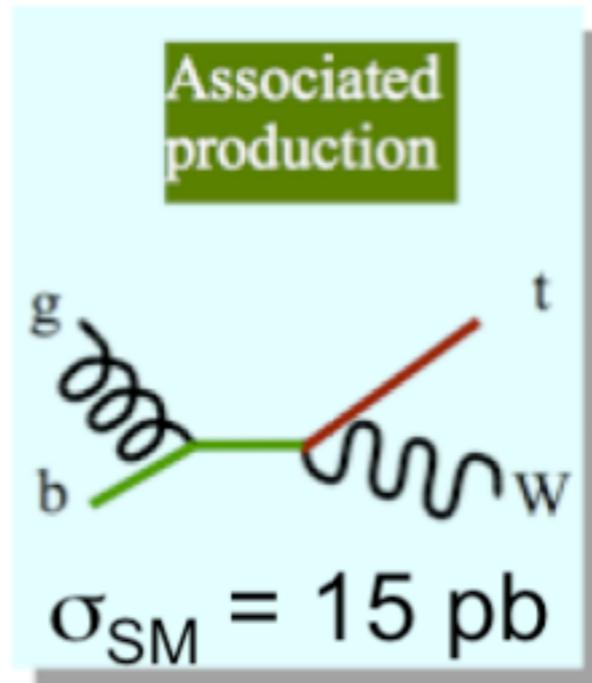
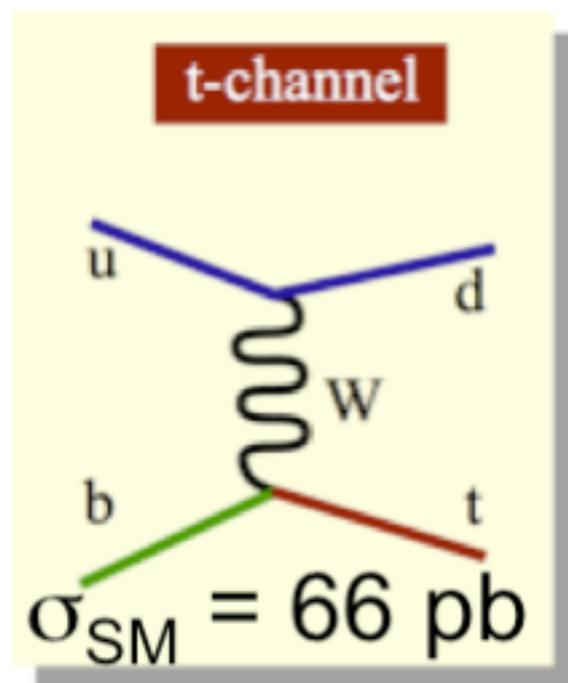


Results cross-checked with different methods.

All results consistent with each other & the SM prediction.

Further improvements expected with 2011 data.

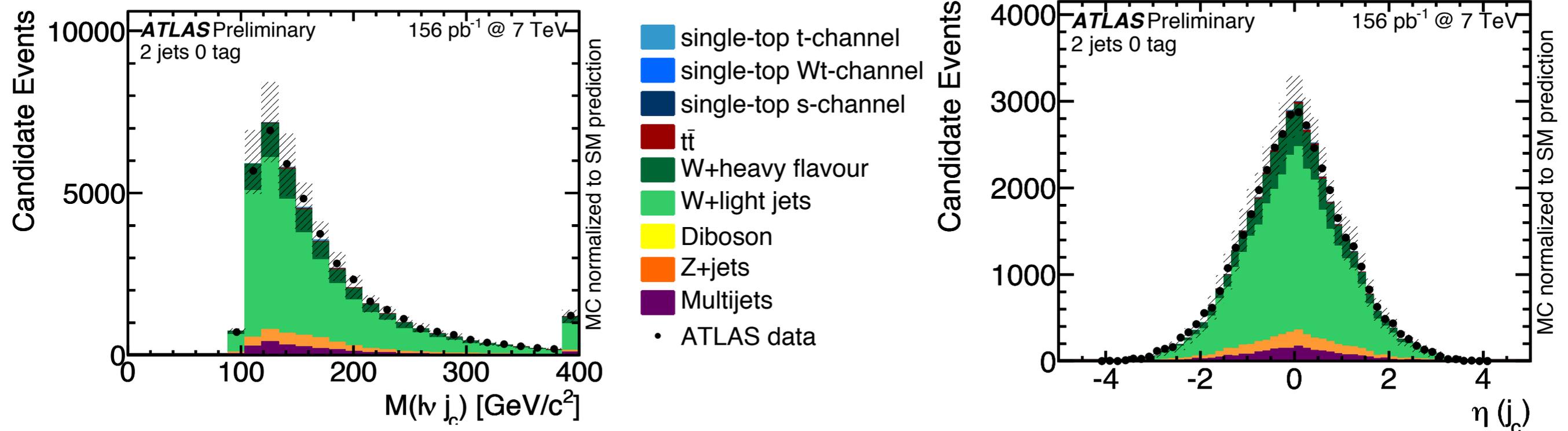
# Single Top



- Searches with 2010 data for t-channel &  $Wt$  production.
- New 2011 result - observation of t-channel single top production.

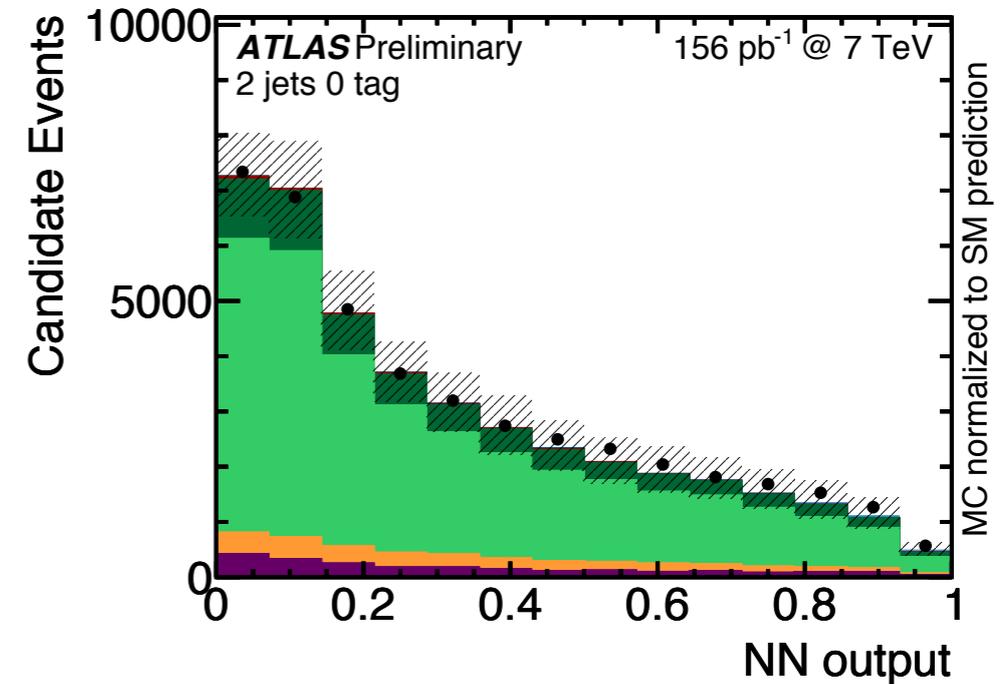
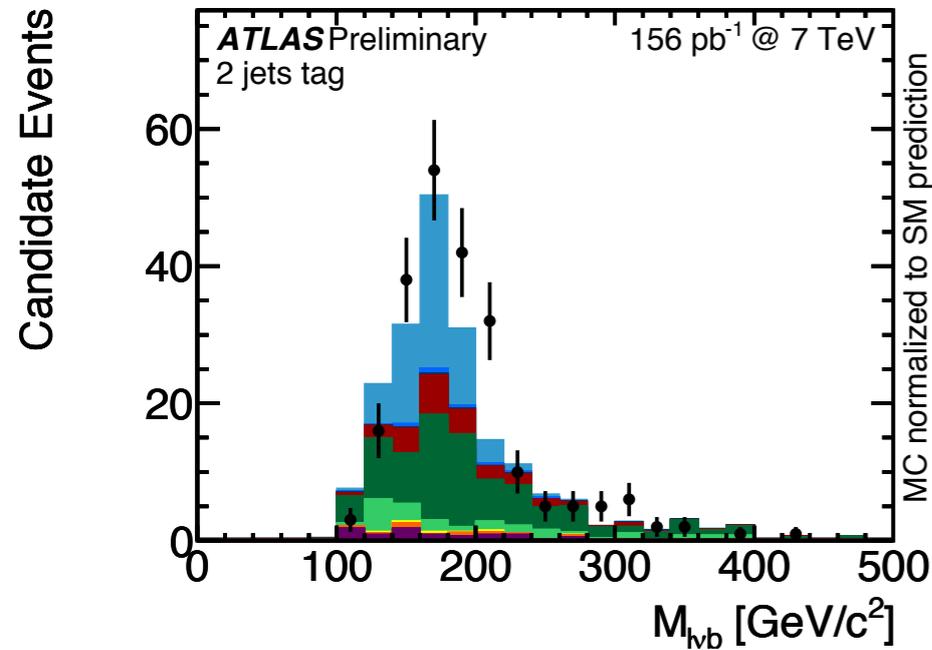
# Single Top t-channel

- Select events with high  $p_T$  lepton,  $=2$  jets, one of which must be b-tagged.
- Backgrounds higher than top-pair production ( $W$ +jets events), plus must remove top-pair events.
- Use MET &  $M_T$  requirements to remove multijet events.
- Background modelling checked in 0 tag data:

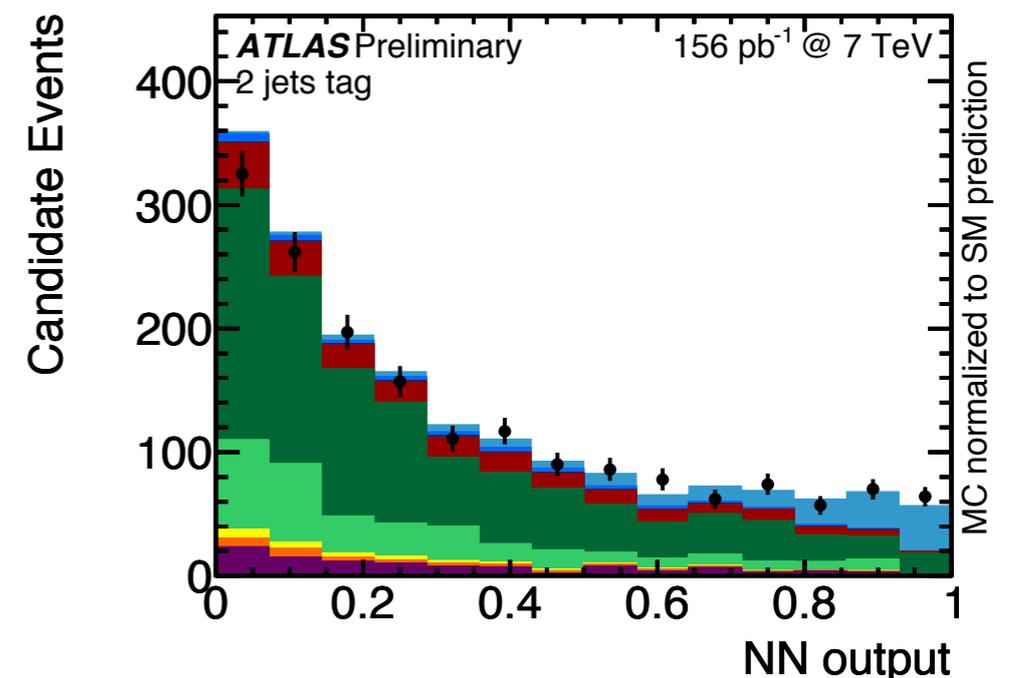


# Single Top t-channel

- Two analyses: one using cuts on kinematic variables, the other a Neural Network discriminant:

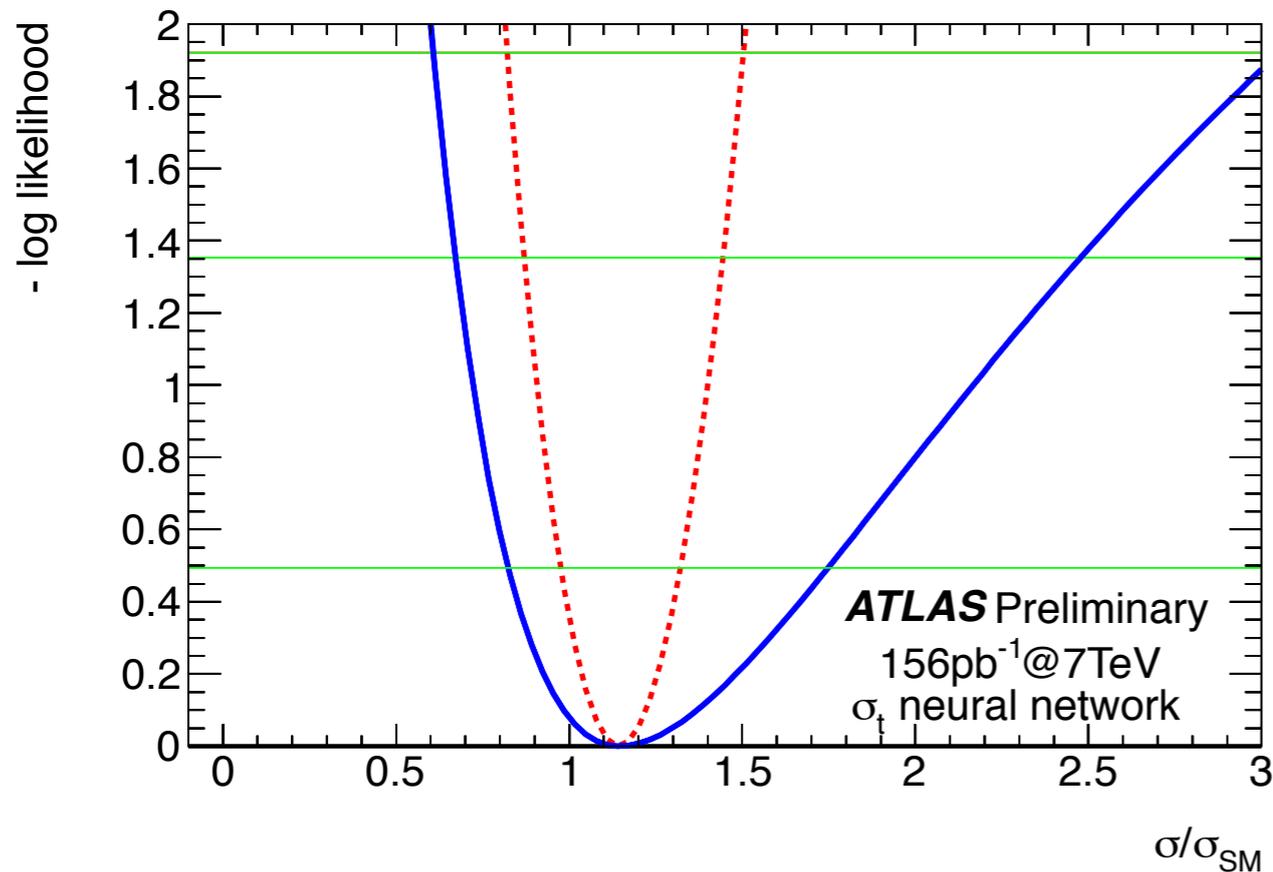


	Cut-based		Neural network
	Lepton +	Lepton -	
single-top <i>t</i> -channel	32.2 ± 11.7	13.3 ± 3.6	66.4 ± 19.6
single-top <i>s</i> -channel	0.3 ± 0.1	0.2 ± 0.1	0.9 ± 0.2
single-top <i>Wt</i> -channel	0.6 ± 0.2	0.6 ± 0.3	1.0 ± 0.2
<i>t</i> <i>t</i>	3.6 ± 1.8	3.2 ± 1.6	6.3 ± 3.0
<i>W</i> +light jets	2.6 ± 1.4	2.1 ± 2.6	9.0 ± 1.9
<i>W</i> +heavy flavour	14.9 ± 5.3	15.9 ± 5.4	35.8 ± 12.7
Diboson	0.3 ± 0.2	0.3 ± 0.1	0.4 ± 0.1
<i>Z</i> +jets	0.6 ± 0.5	0.5 ± 0.4	1.0 ± 0.8
Multijets	1.6 ± 1.2	0.7 ± 0.9	3.6 ± 2.8
TOTAL Exp	56.9 ± 13.0	36.8 ± 7.2	124.4 ± 23.7
S/B	1.31	0.57	1.14
DATA	72	43	134



# Single Top t-channel

- Cross section extracted from profile-likelihood ratio fit.



$$\sigma_t = 76^{+41}_{-21} \text{ pb (NN)}$$

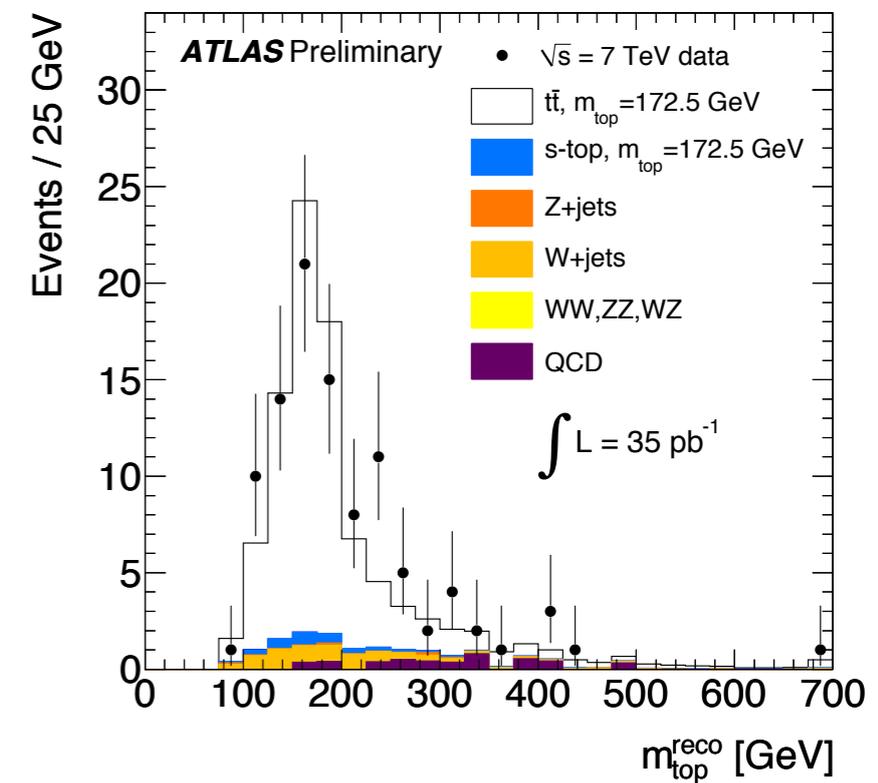
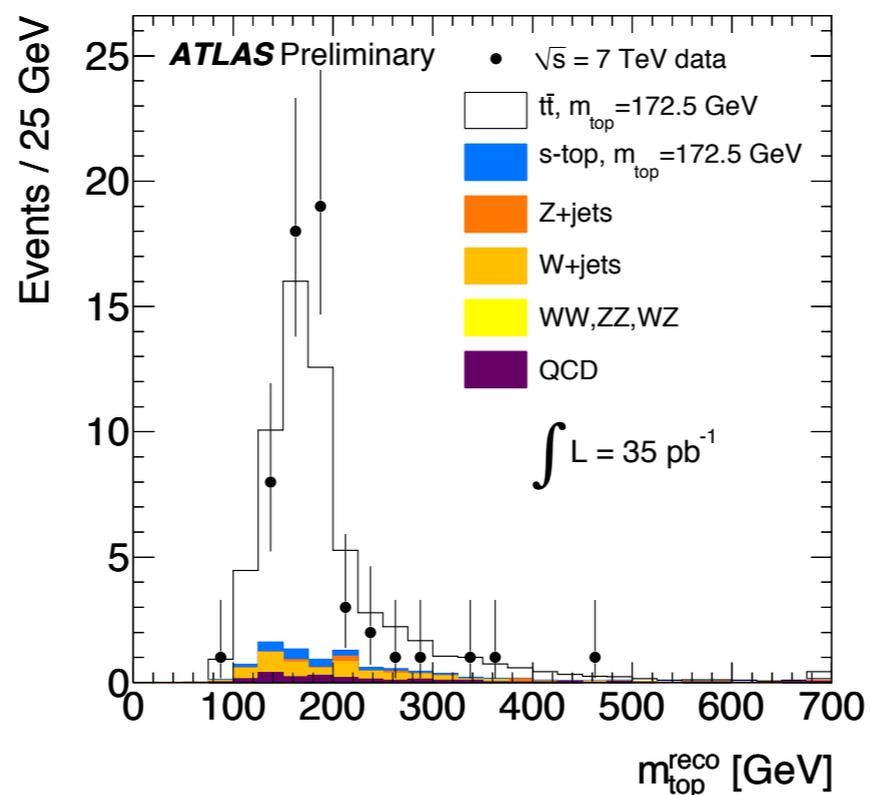
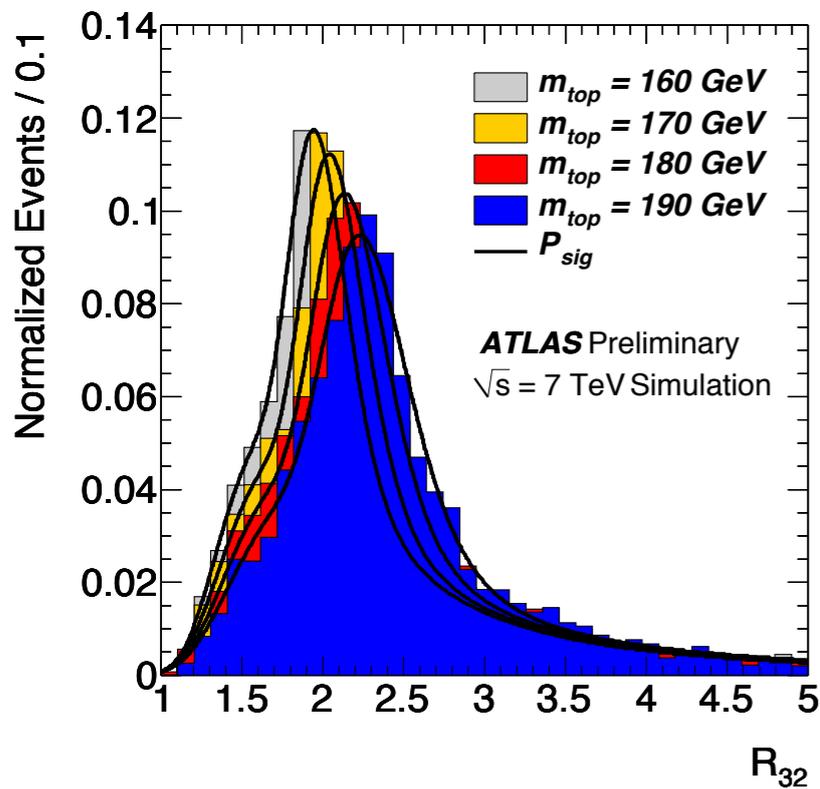
$$\sigma_t = 97^{+54}_{-30} \text{ pb (cuts)}$$

- Significance of result compared to background-only model is  $6.2\sigma$  ( $5.7\sigma$  expected) for NN,  $6.1\sigma$  ( $4.4\sigma$  expected) for cut based.
- Dominant systematics: Signal modelling, b-tagging.

# Top Mass

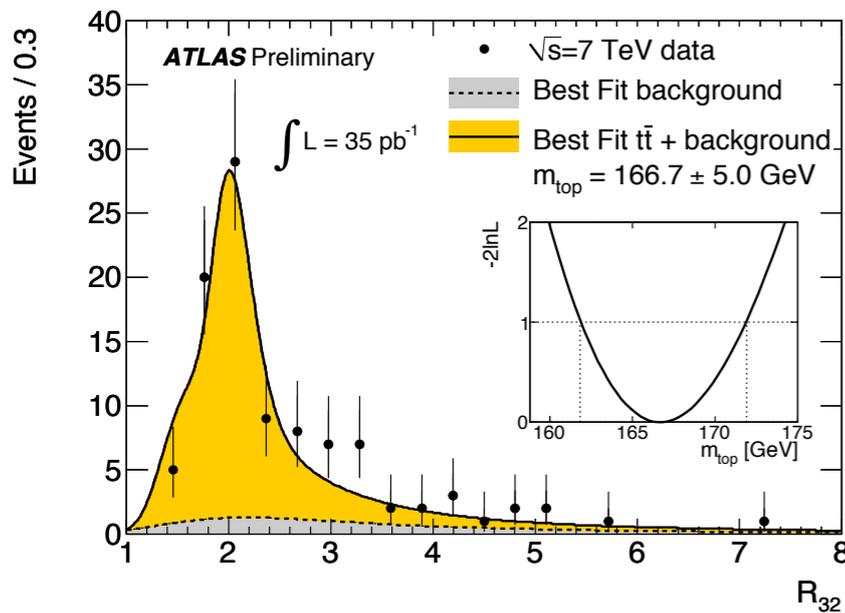
- Lepton plus jets channel allows direct reconstruction of the top quarks from the decay products.
- Can reconstruct the top mass from the 3 jet (bjj) mass.

- To reduce sensitivity to JES use:  $R_{32} = \frac{m_t^{reco}}{m_W^{reco}} = \frac{m_{bjj}}{m_{jj}}$



# Top Mass

- Use 1D template fit to extract the mass.
- Signal templates parameterized as a function of  $m_t$ , background template independent of  $m_t$ .

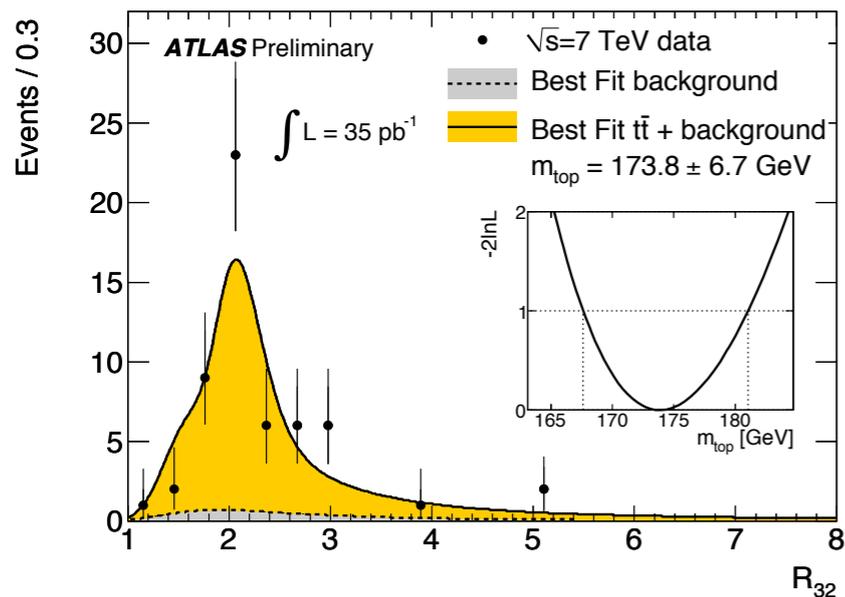


Mass extracted from binned likelihood fit:

$$m_t = 169.3 \pm 4.0(\text{stat.}) \pm 4.9(\text{syst.}) \text{ GeV}$$

Tevatron July 2010 combination:

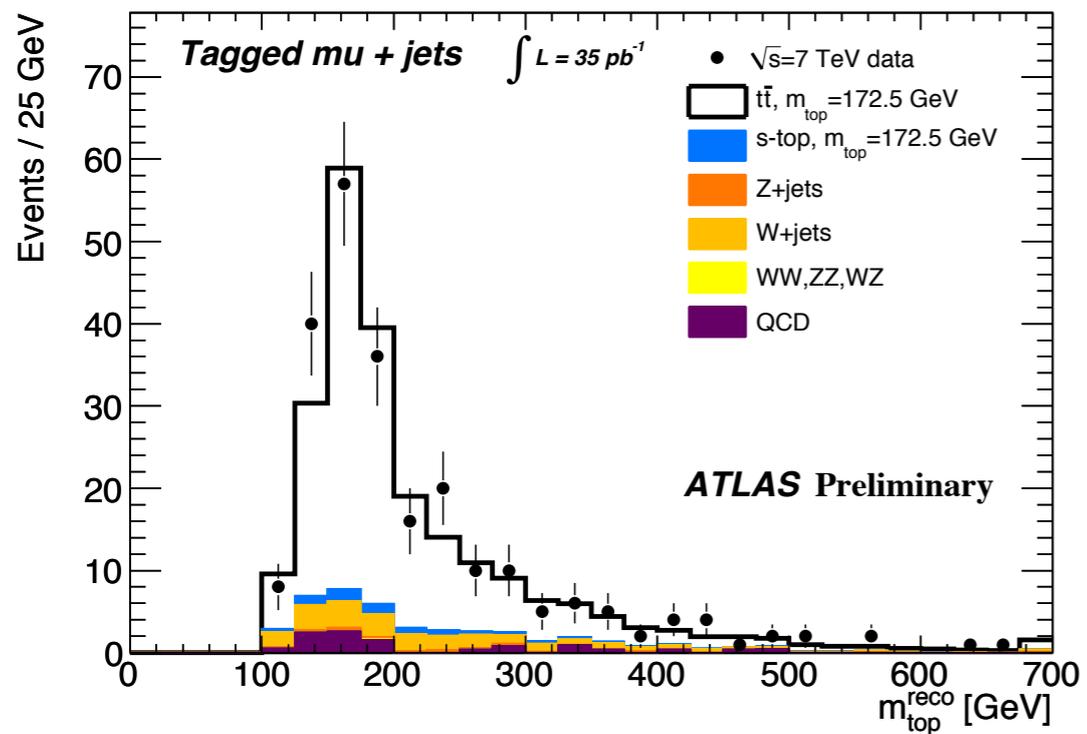
$$m_t = 173.3 \pm 0.6 \pm 0.9 \text{ GeV}$$



<b>Dominant systematics</b>	e-channel	$\mu$ -channel
ISR and FSR (sig. only)	2.2 GeV	2.6 GeV
Jet energy scale	2.3 GeV	1.9 GeV
b-jet energy scale ( $\pm 2.5\%$ )	2.5 GeV	2.5 GeV
<b>Total systematic uncertainty</b>	<b>4.8 GeV</b>	<b>5.0 GeV</b>

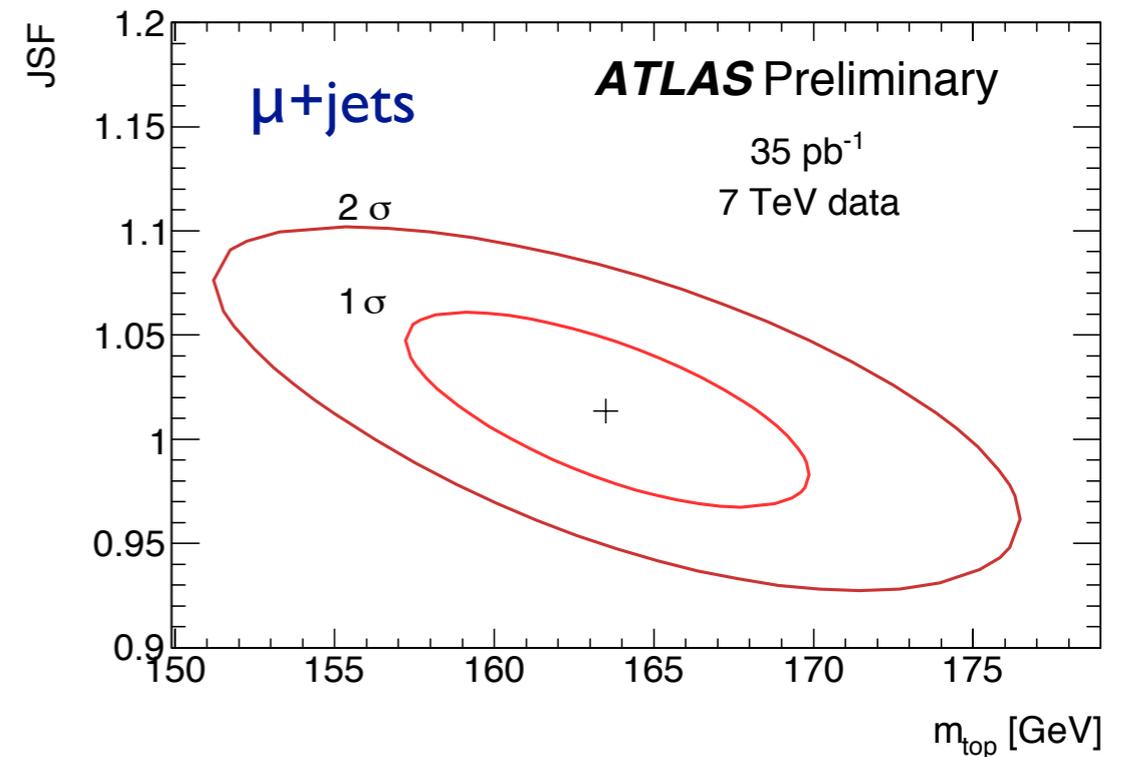
- Primary result is cross checked with two other methods:

Full kinematic fit to reconstruct entire event, then use template fit:

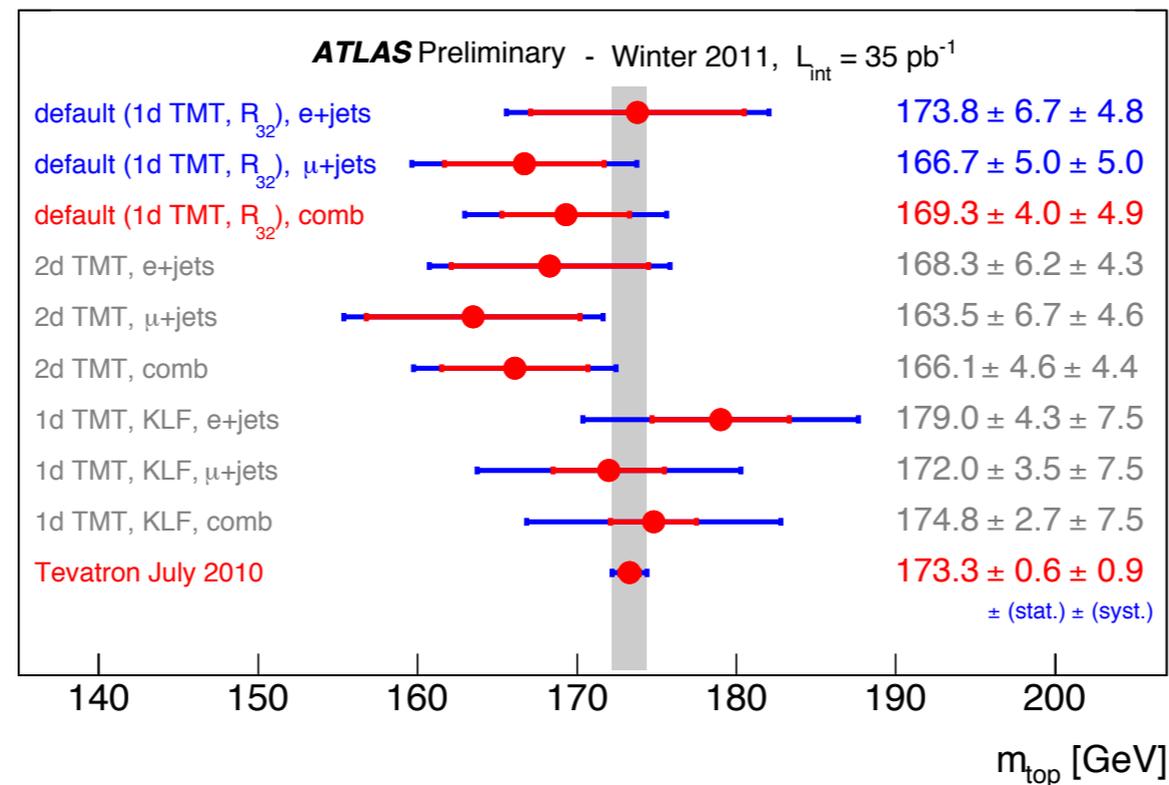


$$m_t = 174.8 \pm 2.7(stat.) \pm 7.5(syst.) \text{ GeV}$$

Simultaneous fit to  $m_t$  & overall JES factor:



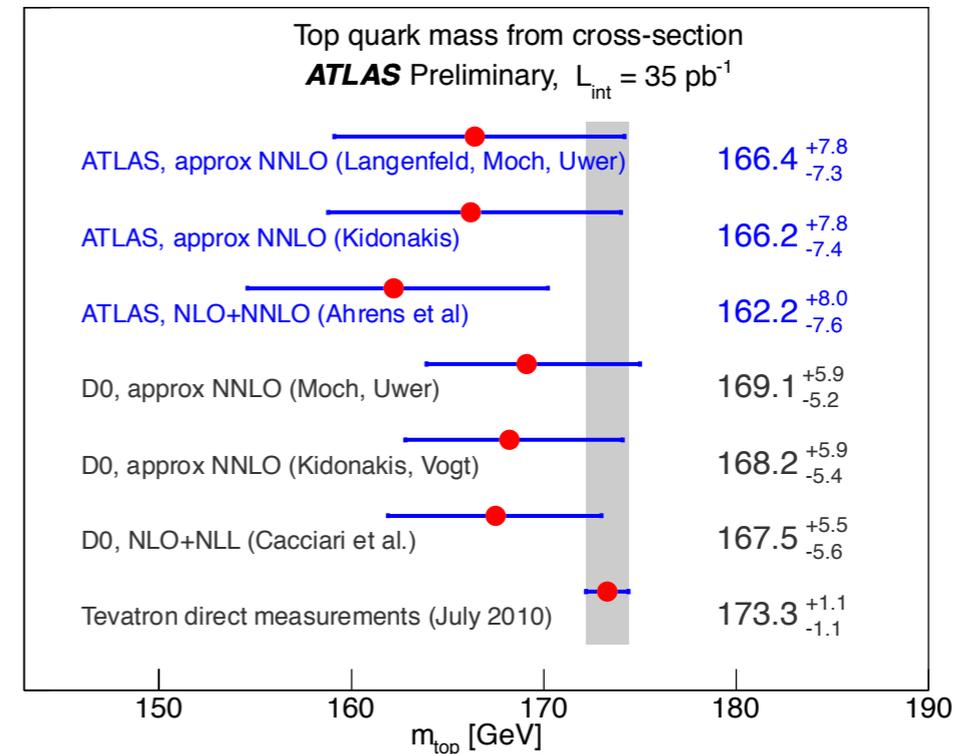
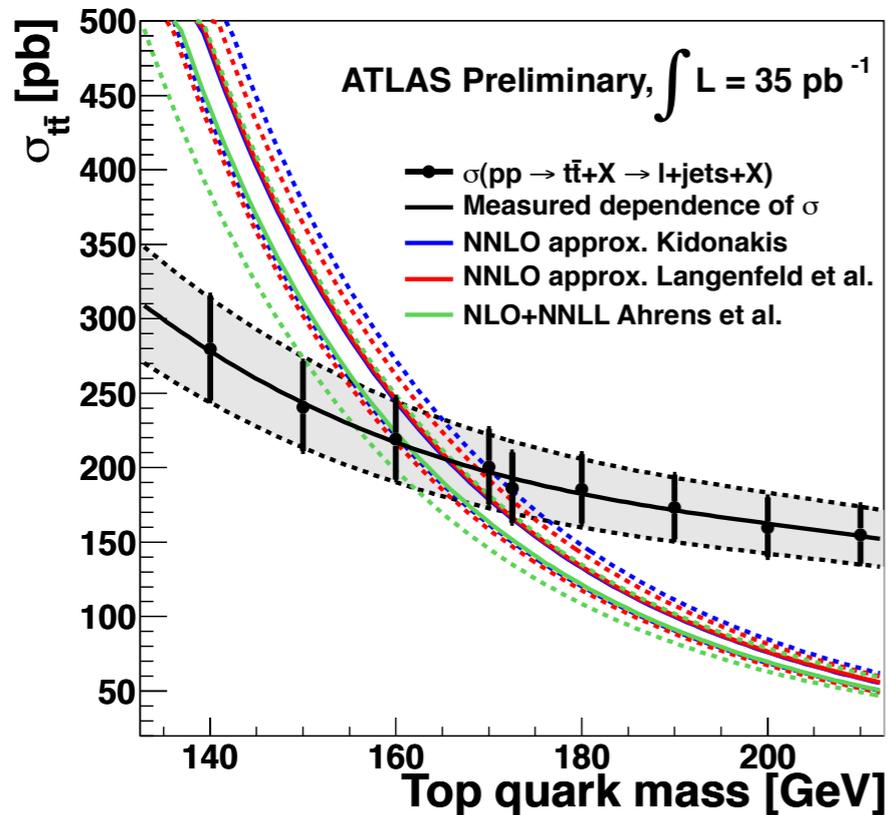
$$m_t = 166.1 \pm 4.6(stat.) \pm 4.4(syst.) \text{ GeV}$$



- All three methods give consistent results.
- Main analysis has 3.7% precision.
- Looking ahead:
  - Improvements in JES.
  - Exploit new data.

- Standard top mass extract relies on the top mass parameter in the MC.
- Not clear theoretically which renormalization scheme this mass corresponds to.
- Independent approach: Extract the mass by comparing measured top pair production cross section with theory.
- Mass is well defined in the theoretical calculation.

- Extraction obtained using lepton + jets cross section measurement:



$$m_t^{pole} = 166.4_{-7.3}^{+7.8} \text{ GeV}$$

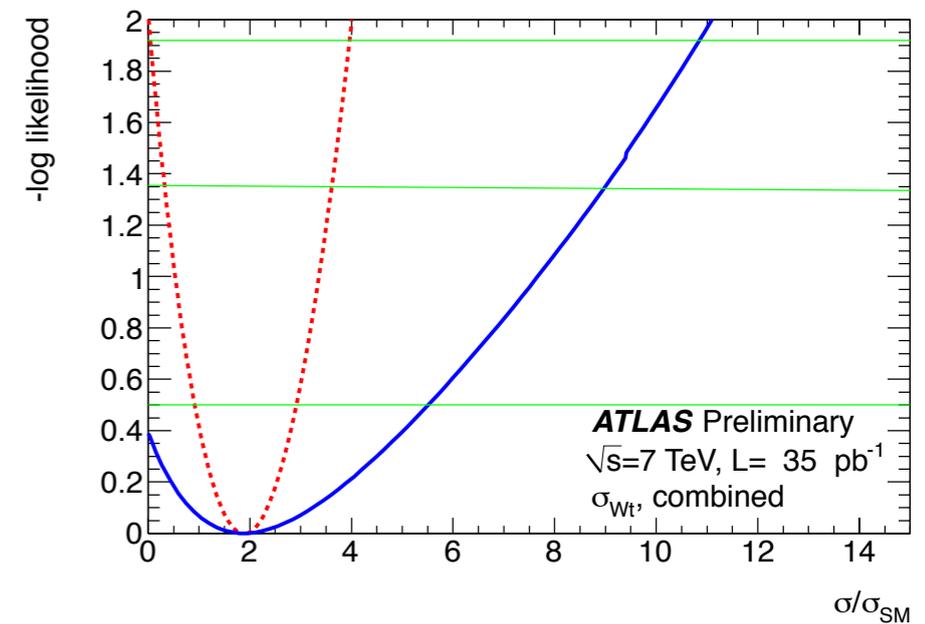
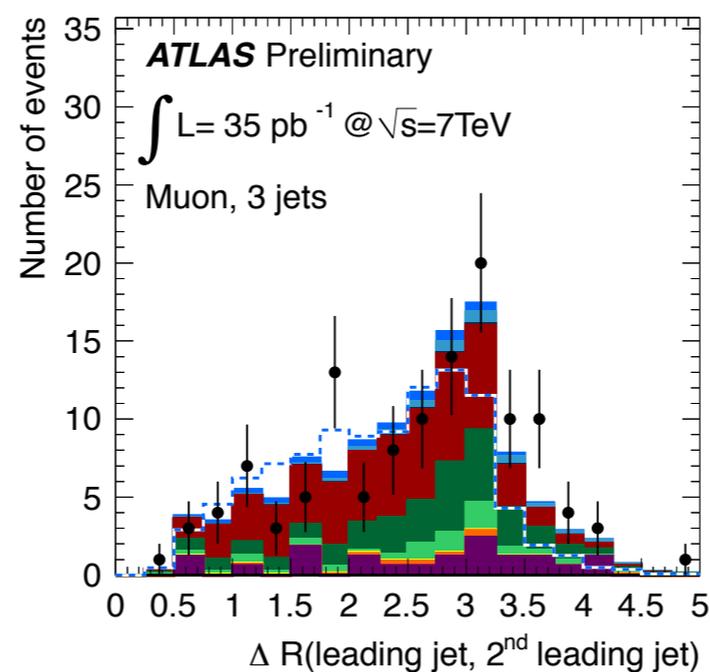
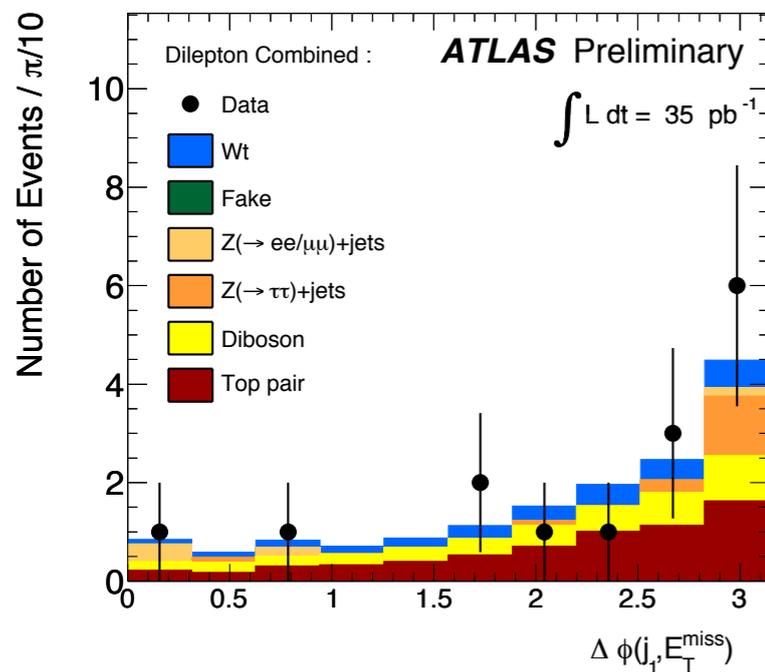
- Consistent with direct measurements and equivalent D0 analysis.

- First year of LHC data has already led to precision measurements of the top pair production cross section.
- First 2011 data has allowed observation of single top production at ATLAS.
- First top mass measurements performed.
- Stay tuned for more results with 2011 data later in the Summer.

# Backup

# Wt Search Result

- Use lepton + jet events like for t-channel, but optimise the cuts.
- In addition include the di-lepton channel.



$\sigma_t < 158 \text{ pb}$  observed

$\sigma_t < 94 \text{ pb}$  expected