

# TOP Physics at ATLAS



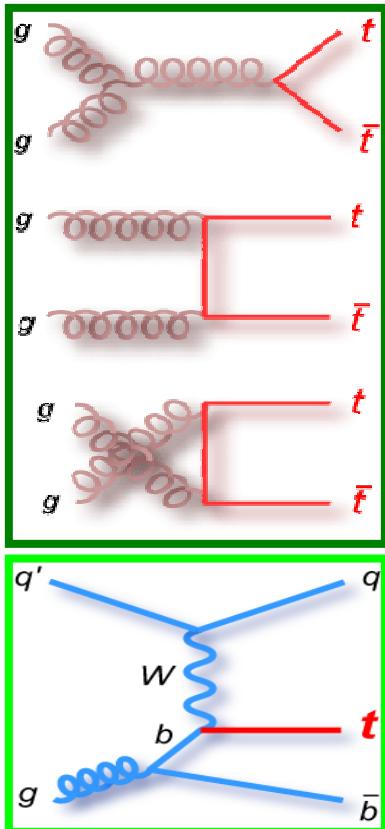
- Production of Top Quarks
  - Top-Pair
  - Single top
- Decay of Top Quarks
  - Decay products: b-jets
  - Tagging of b-jets
- Measurements
  - Top cross section
  - Top mass

# Physics: Top-Quarks

## production:

**strong interaction: top-pairs**

**weak interaction: single top**



## decay:

**weak interaction**

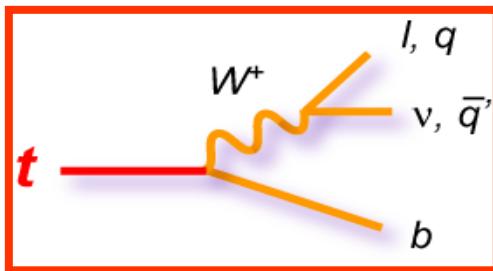
hadronic decay:

2 light quark jets

leptonic decay:

lepton + neutrino ( $E_T^{\text{miss}}$ )

always: **one b-quark**



- **fundamental tests of the standard model**

- well-known process

- **potential window for new physics in precision measurements**

- high production rate at LHC

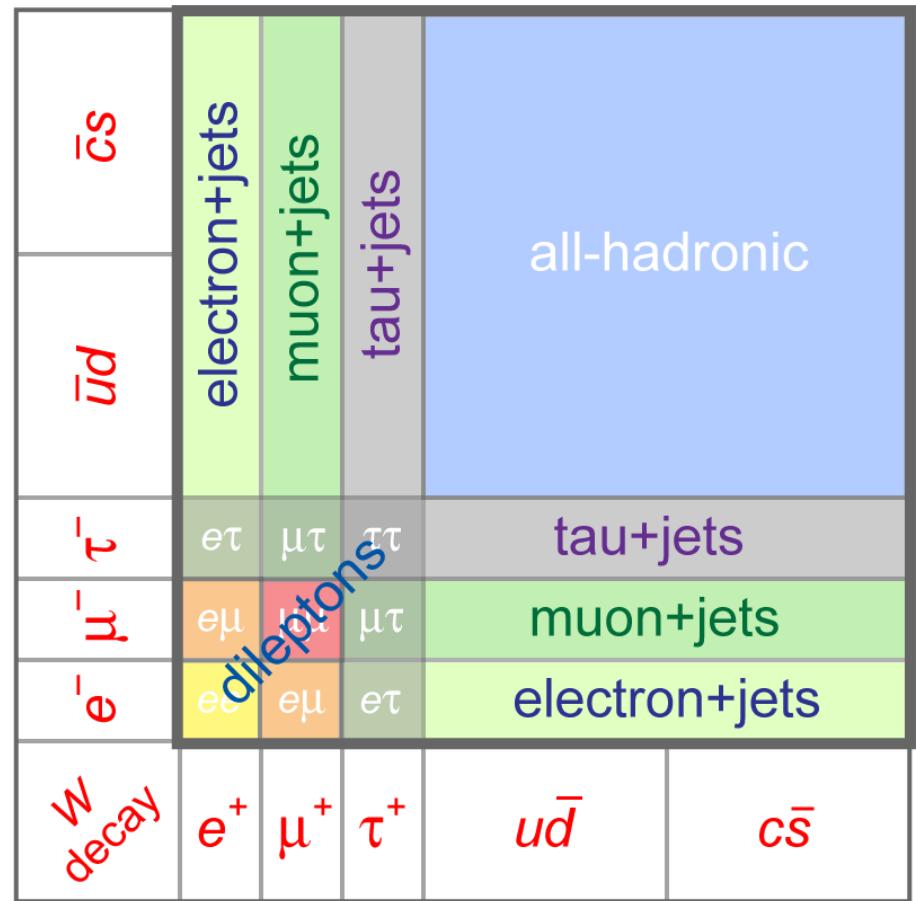
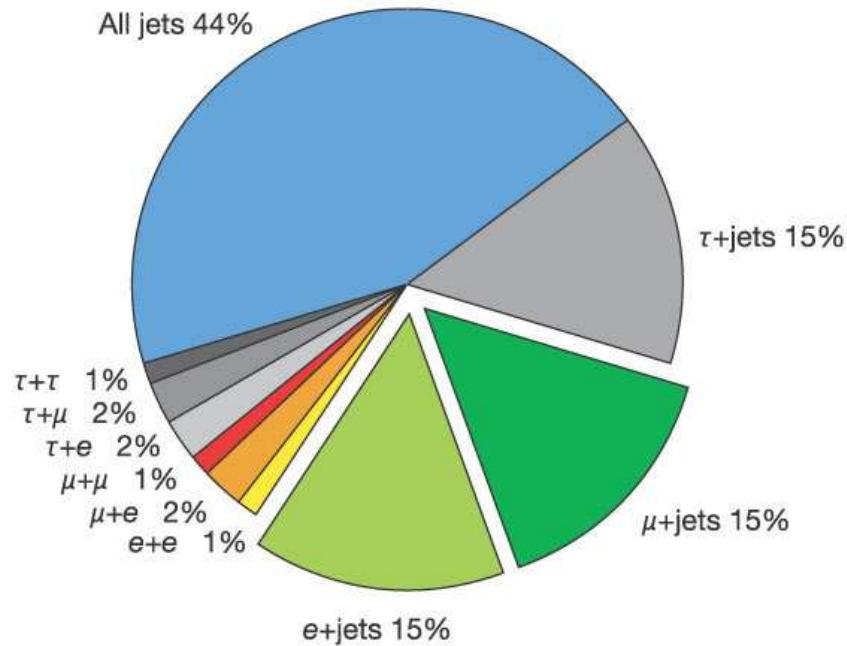
- **dominant background for many searches for physics beyond the Standard Model**

# Top Quark Decay Channels



## Top Pair Decay Channels

Top pair branching fractions



# Phenomenology at the Detector



## Top Pair Decay Channels

$\bar{c}s$	electron+jets	muon+jets	tau+jets	all-hadronic	
$\bar{u}d$					
$\tau^-$	$e\tau$	$\mu\tau$	$\tau\tau$	tau+jets	
$\mu^-$	$e\mu$	$\nu\mu$	$\mu\tau$	muon+jets	
$e^-$	$ee$	$e\mu$	$e\tau$	electron+jets	
$w_{decay}$	$e^+$	$\mu^+$	$\tau^+$	$u\bar{d}$	$c\bar{s}$

dilepton

**tt → (only) 6 quarks**

largest fraction, very high background

**tt → 4 quarks, charged lepton, neutrino**

Some 30% ,usable', low background  
FAVoured channel

**tt → 2 quarks, 2 charged l, 2 neutrinos**

Only 5% ,usable', very low  
background, difficult to reconstruct

**Decay fractions largely determined by fractions of W - decay**

# Top-Decay channels

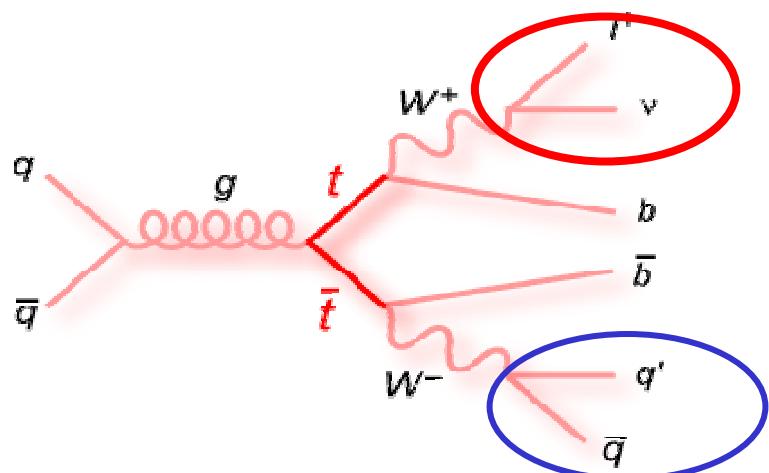
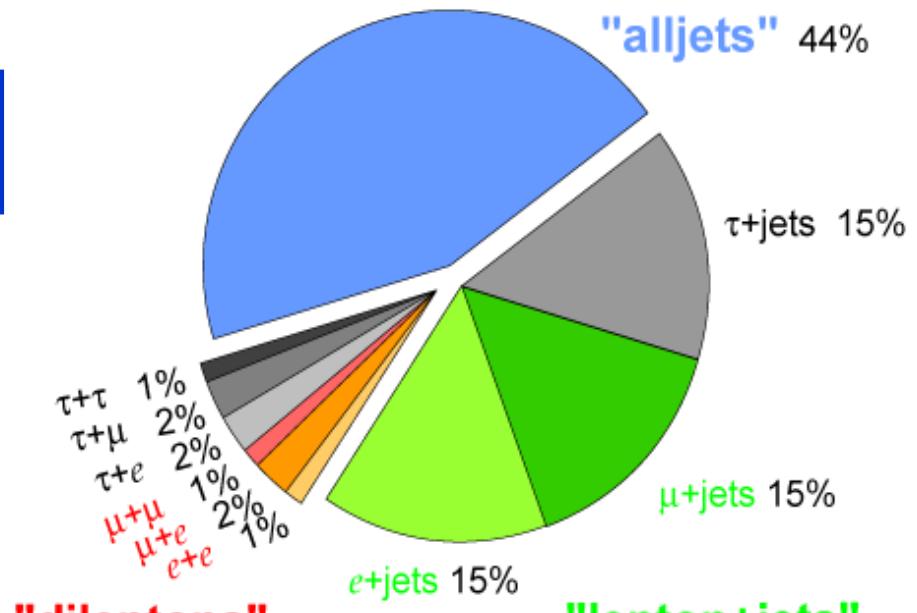
$$t \rightarrow W^\pm b$$

$$W^\pm \rightarrow q\bar{q} (\rightarrow \text{Jet} + \text{Jet})$$

$$W^\pm \rightarrow l\nu_l (\rightarrow \text{Lepton} + E_\perp^{\text{miss}})$$

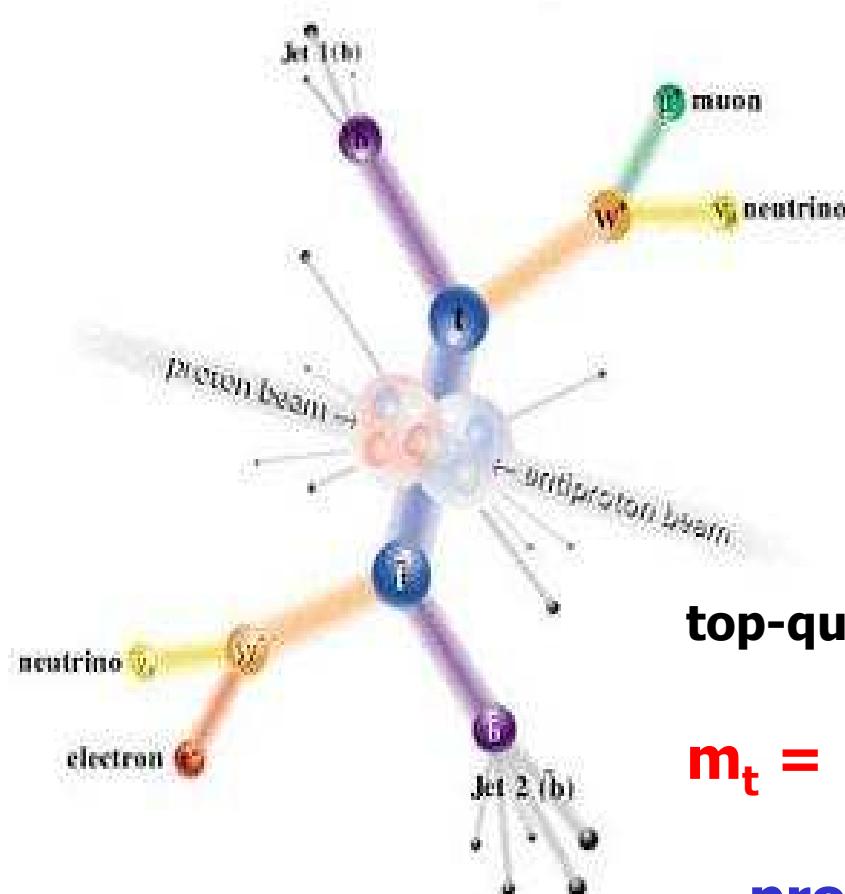
charakteristic Signal:  
**Lepton + missing energy**

Top Pair Branching Fractions

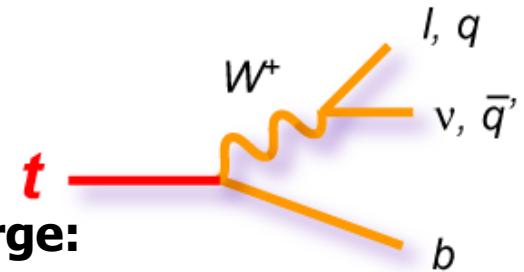
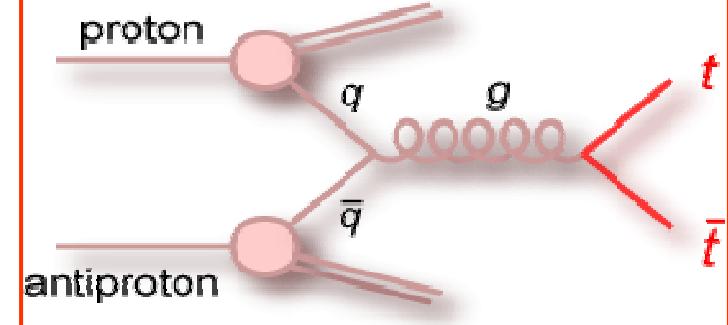


# Discovery of the Top-Quark

Production in proton/antiporton collisions:



**1995 at the TEVATRON**

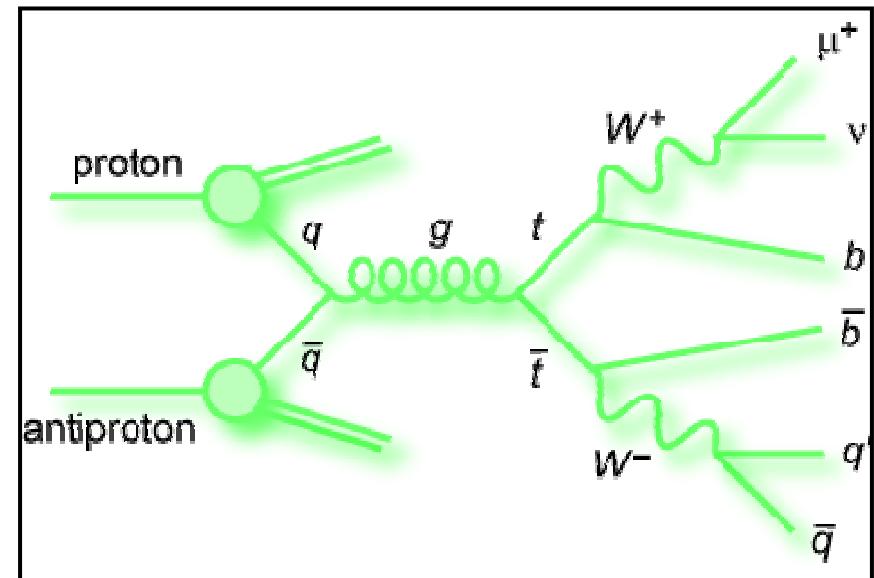
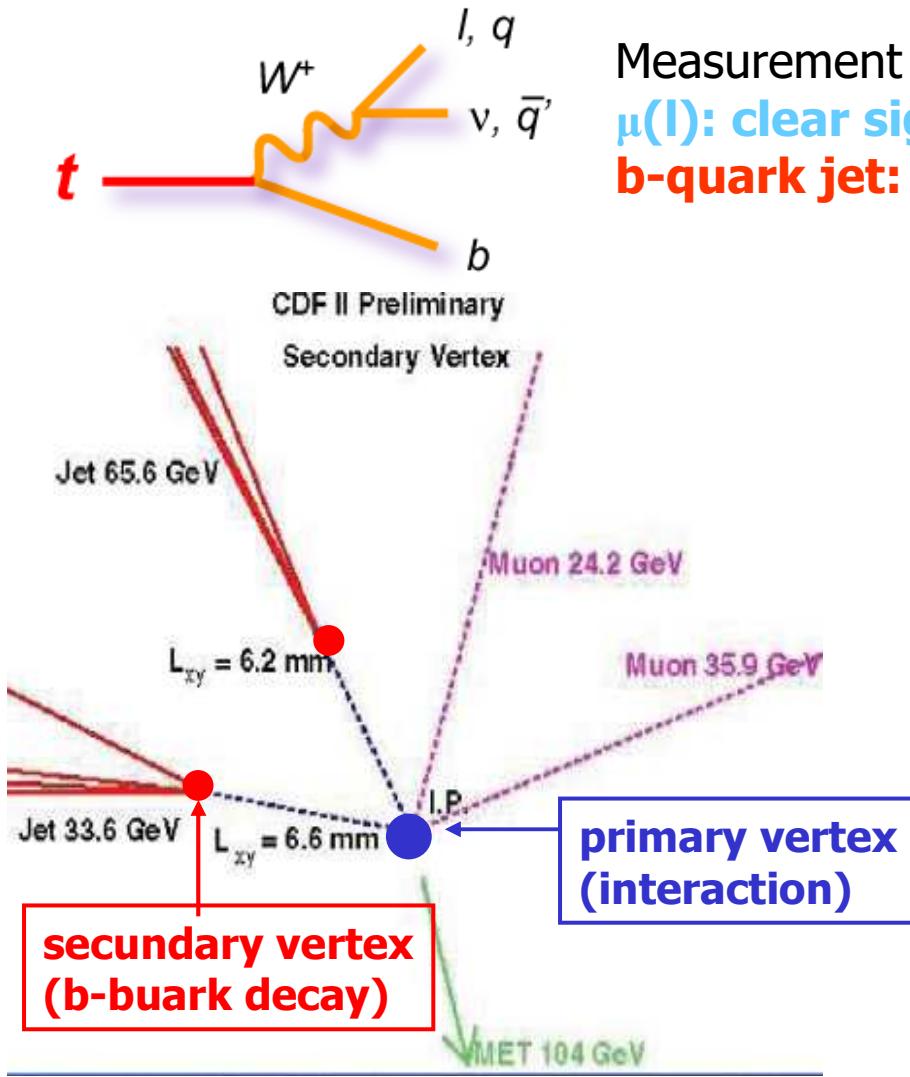


**top-quark mass very large:**

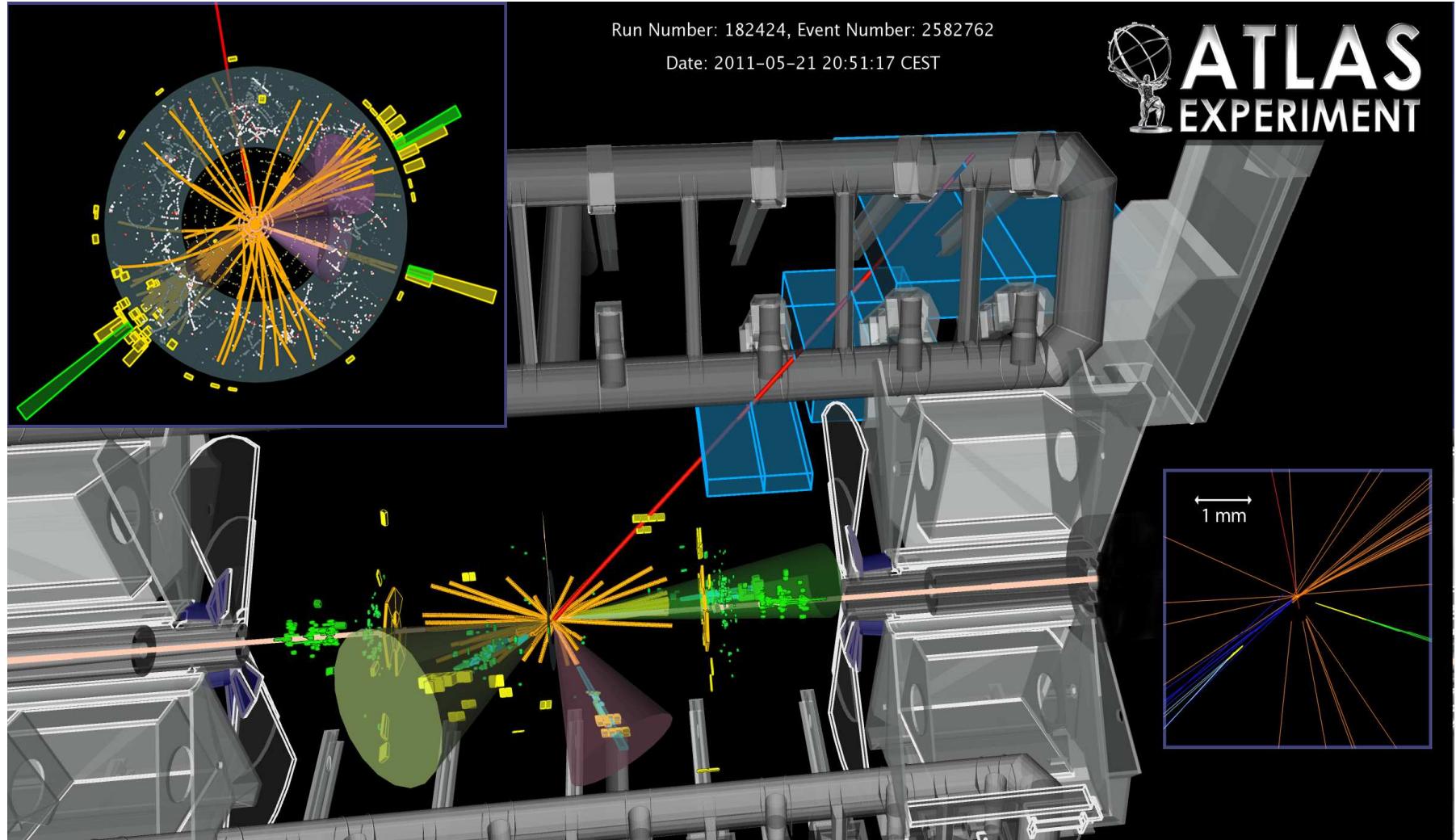
$$m_t = 173 \text{ GeV} > m_W$$

→ production of real w-bosons

# Signature of a top-quark



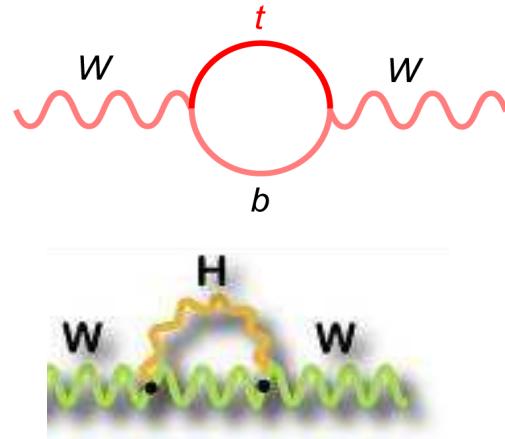
# Top Event at LHC



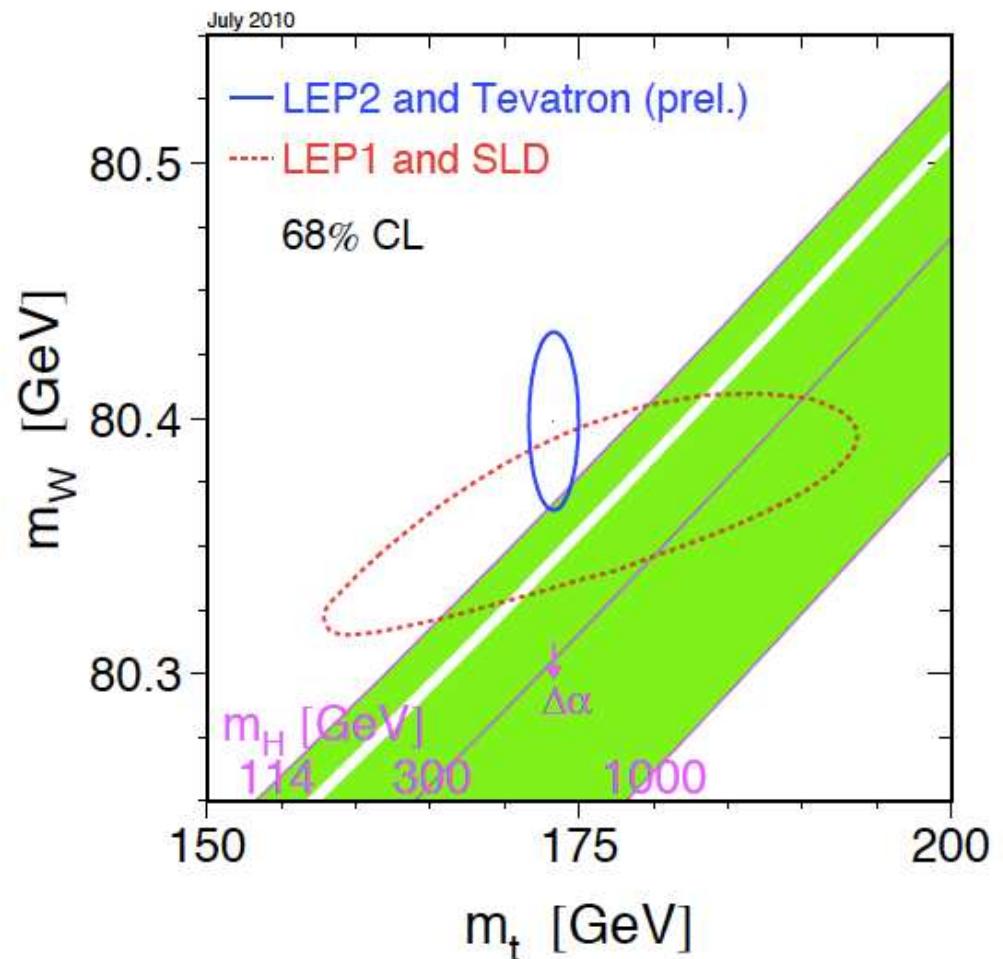
# Correlation of W- and top-massen



fluctuation of the vacuum:  
**sensitive to the masses of  
W, t und Higgs**



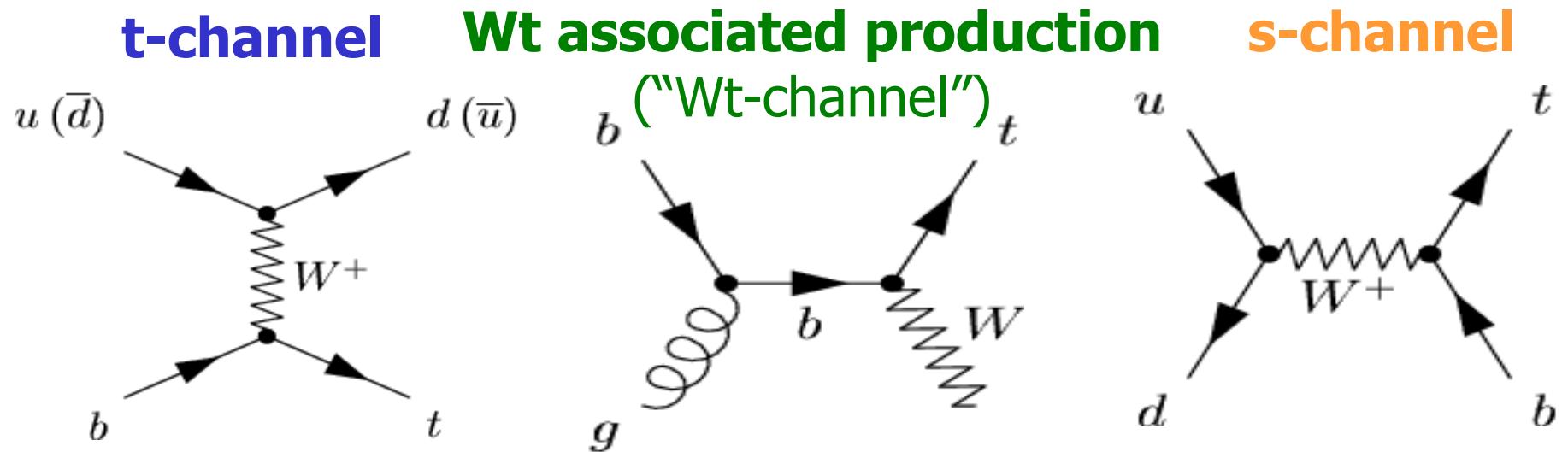
Correlation of **masses** of  
**top-quarks** and of **W-bosons**: theoretical  
prediction for the **masse  
region of the Higgs-boson**



# Single Top Production



EW production of top-quarks, three production channels:



predicted cross sections for  $\sqrt{s} = 7$  TeV and  $m_t = 172.5$  GeV

**t-channel:  $64.2 \pm 2.6$  pb**

**Wt-channel:  $15.6 \pm 1.3$  pb**

**s-channel:  $4.6 \pm 0.2$  pb**

calculations by N. Kinodakis at NLO+NNLL resummation  
arXiv 1103.2792, 1005.4451, 1001.5034

# Interest in Single Top Production



- **Test of SM prediction**

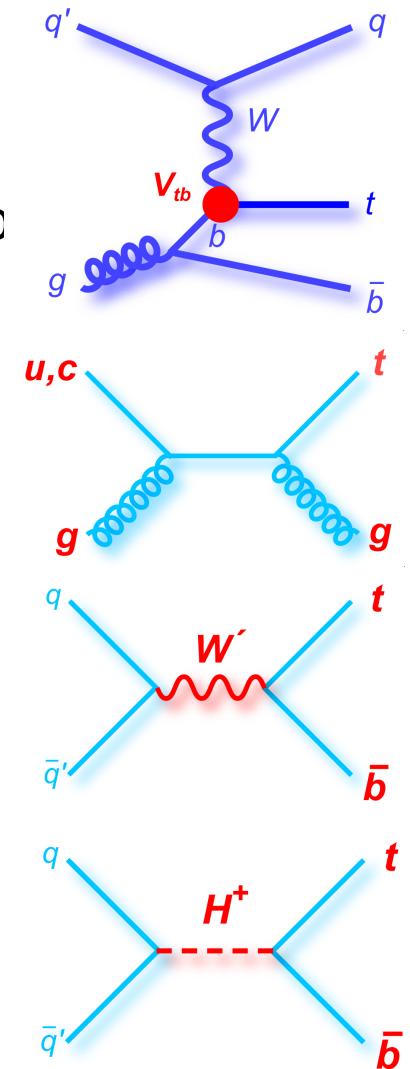
- measurement of the different channels separately
- compare measured cross section with SM prediction
- test of unitarity of CKM matrix
  - ❖ Measurement of  $V_{tb}$ ,  $V_{ub}^2 + V_{cb}^2 + V_{tb}^2 = 1$
  - ❖ hints for a 4<sup>th</sup> generation?

- **Search for phenomena beyond the SM**

- search for FCNC, e.g.  $ug \rightarrow t\bar{b}$
- search for  $W'$ , charged MSSM Higgs  $H^\pm$

- **Experimental benchmark for searches**

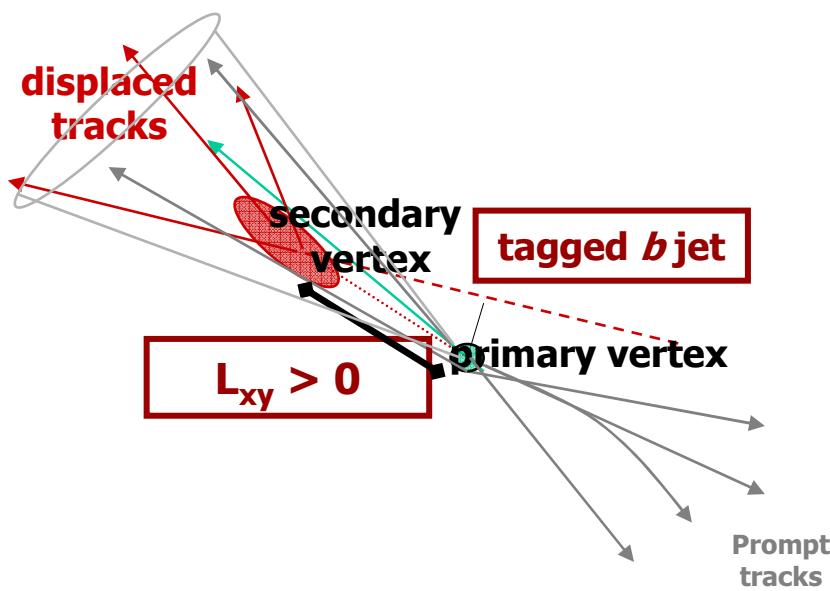
- object identification
  - ❖ lepton fake rates
  - ❖ QCD Background estimates
  - ❖ b-quark jet identification / b-quark PDF



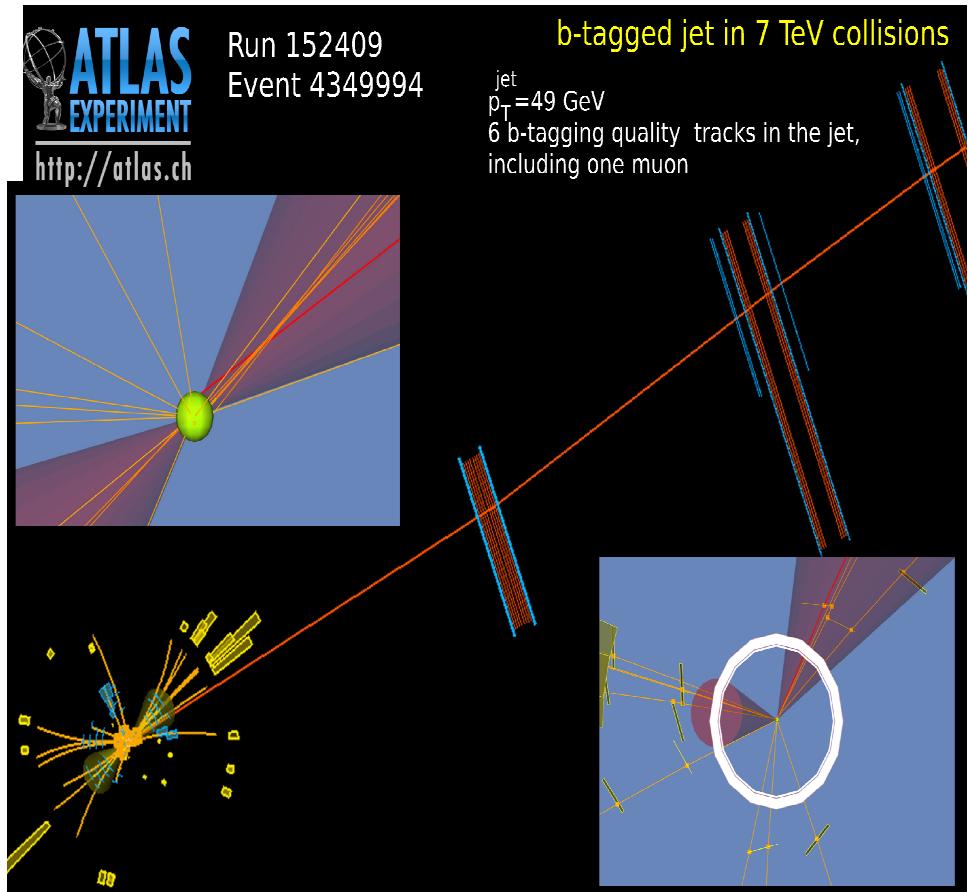
# Combined Performance: b-quark Jets



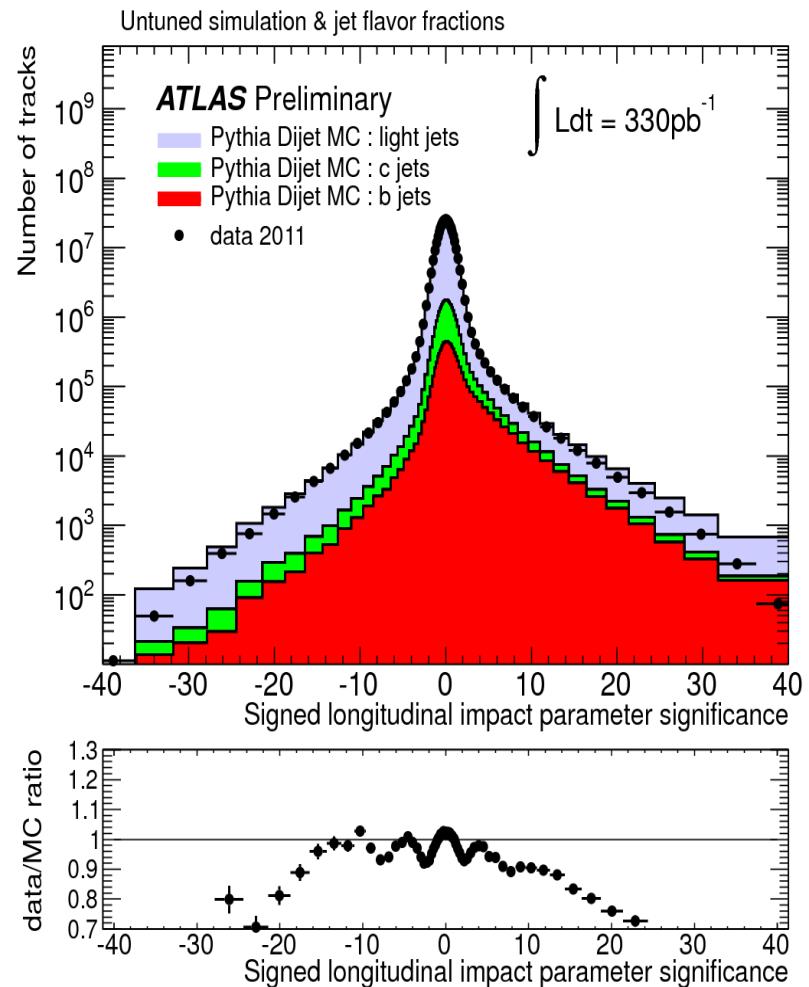
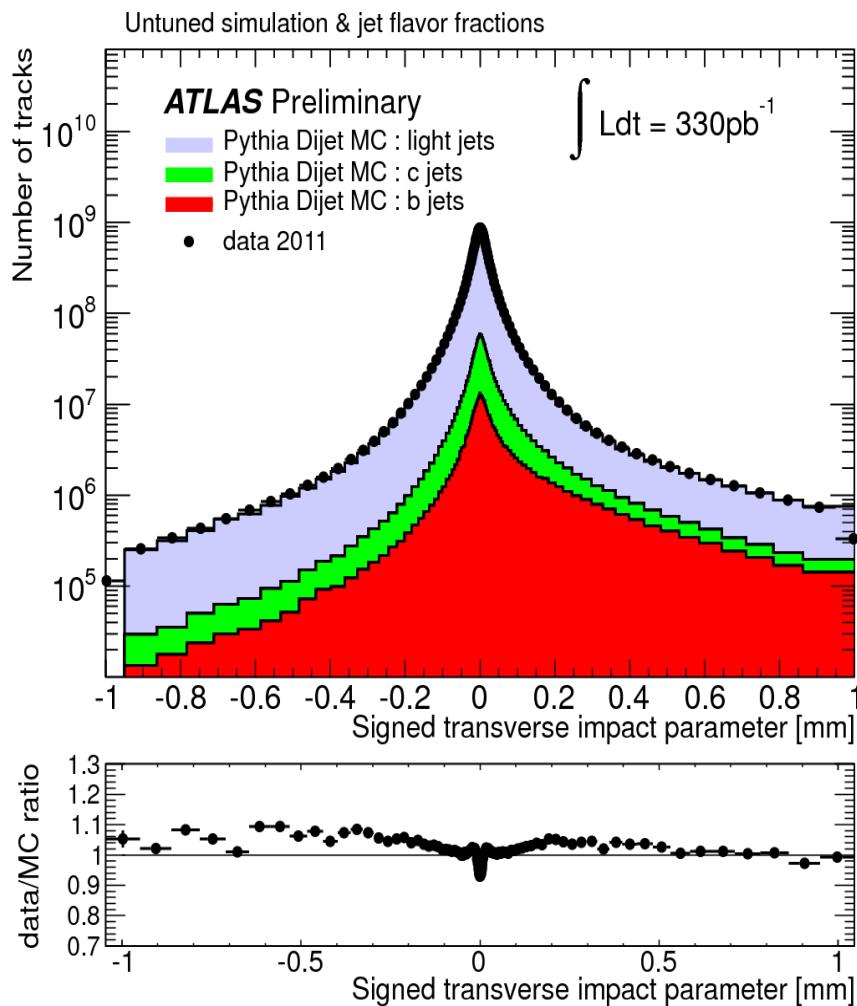
**impact parameters** and **secondary vertices** used to define **tag weights** for **b-jet** selection



Light quark jet rejection as a function of b-tagging efficiency for various taggers



# B-tagging Variables: Impactparameters



# B-tagging: Performance Benchmarks



**efficiency:**

$$\varepsilon = \frac{\# \text{ jets}(b - \text{truth}, \text{tagged})}{\# \text{ jets}(b - \text{truth})}$$

**purity:**

$$p = \frac{\# \text{ jets}(b - \text{truth}, \text{tagged})}{\# \text{ jets}(\text{tagged})}$$

**rejection:**

$$r = \frac{\# \text{ jets}(\text{not-tagged}, \text{uds-truth})}{\# \text{ jets}(\text{uds-truth})}$$

**misstag:**

$$r = \frac{\# \text{ jets}(\text{tagged}, \text{uds}\tau - \text{truth})}{\# \text{ jets}(\text{uds}\tau - \text{truth})}$$

# BaseLine Tagger (IP3D+SV1)



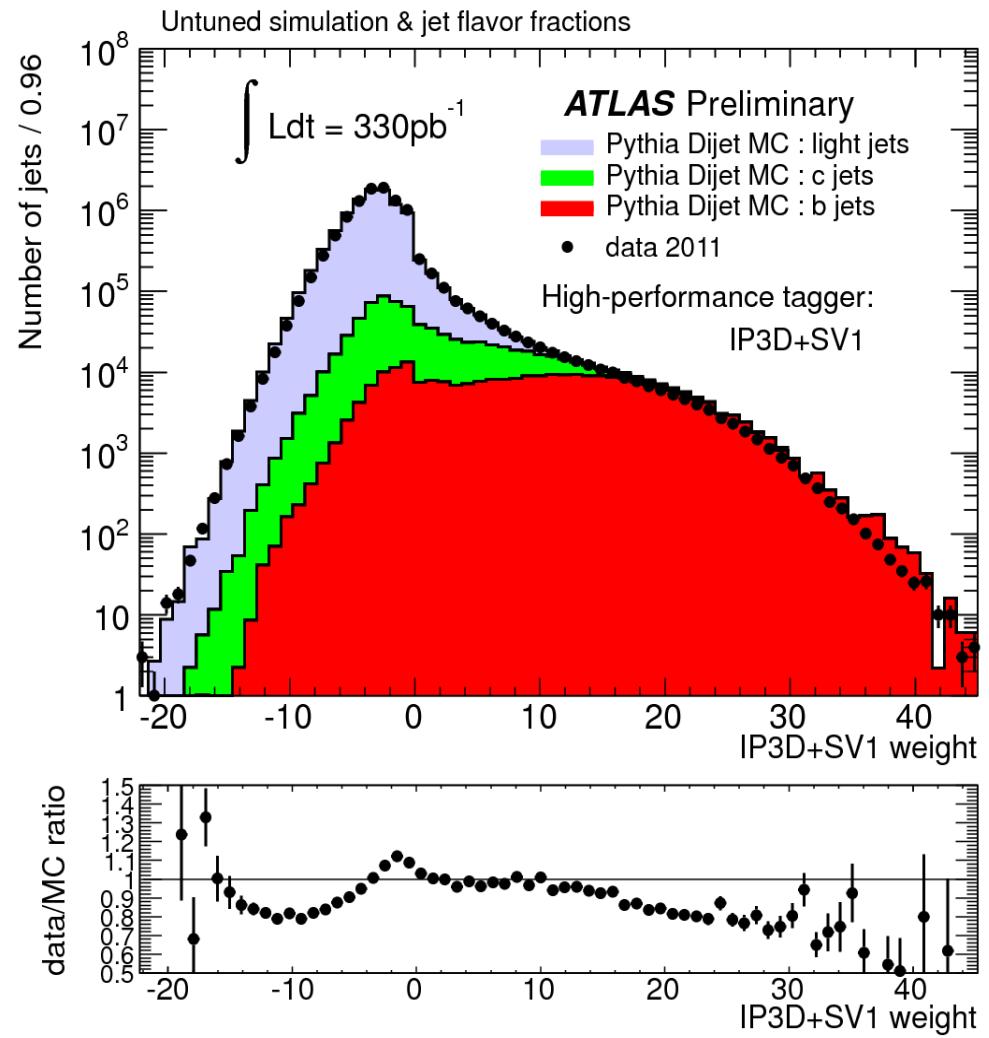
## Likelihood ratio method:

measured discrimination variable  $S_i$   
(impact parameter or secondary vertex)  
compared to predefined probability func  
for the **b-jet ( $b(S_i)$ )** and the  
**light jet ( $u(S_i)$ )** hypothesis

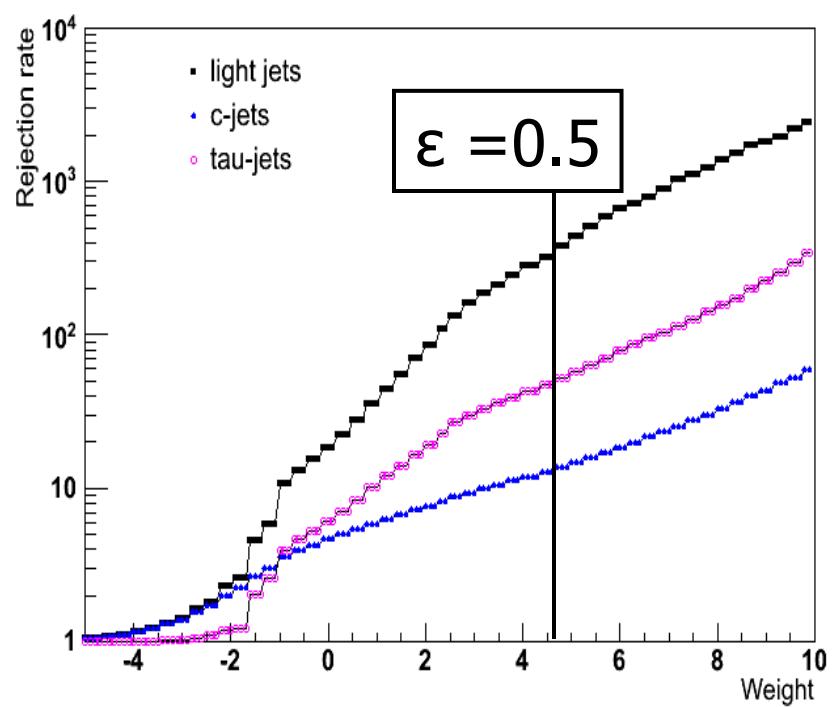
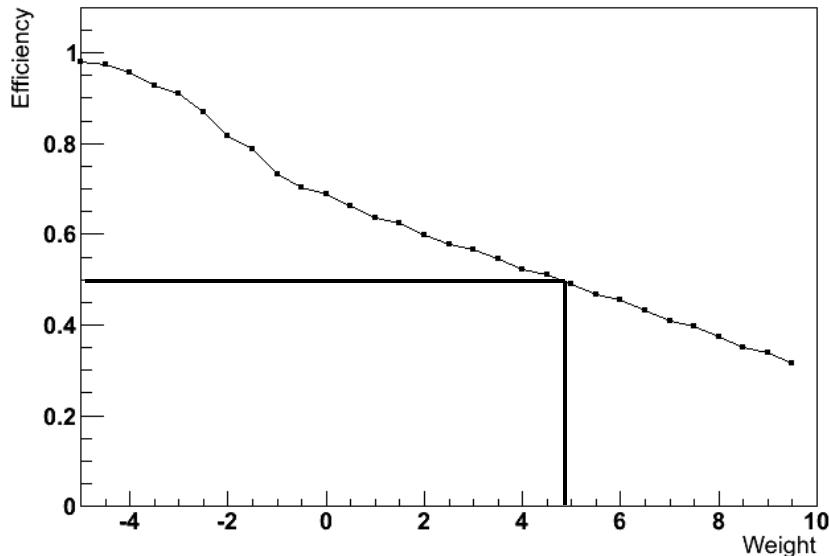
ratio of probabilities defines the jet weight  
 $w_{jet}$  for a jet with N tracks

$$w_{jet} = \sum_{i=1}^N \ln w_i = \sum_{i=1}^N \ln \frac{b(S_i)}{u(S_i)}$$

**weight of BaseLine Tagger:  
sum of SV1 and IP3D weights**



# BaseLine b-tagger Performance



correlations of efficiency  
and rejection factor with  
the track weight,  
based on a top-pair 7TeV MC sample

# SV0 Tagger



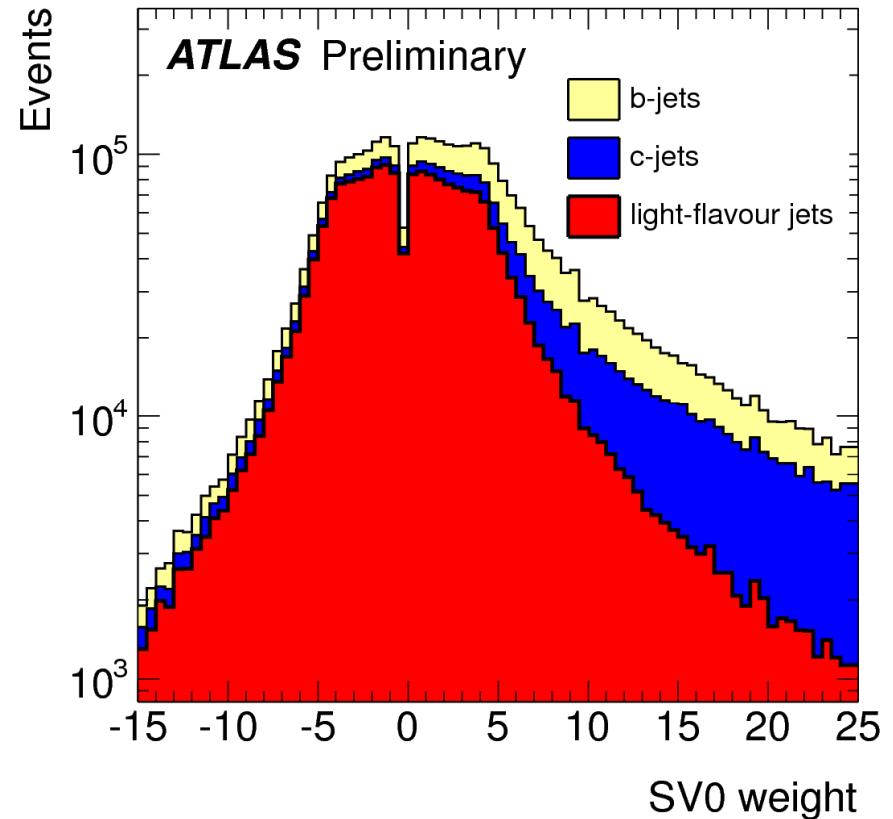
Lifetime based tagger:  
reconstructs secondary vertices from track associated to a jet  
cut on the signed decay length significance of secondary vertex

Basic track selection within the jet;  
track with  $dca/\sigma(dca) > 2.3$  considered

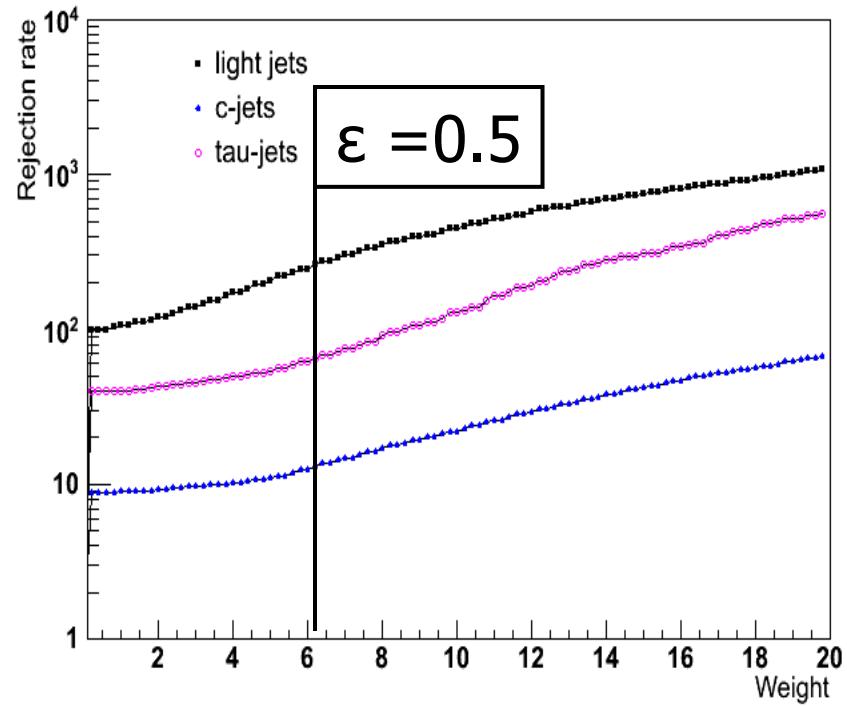
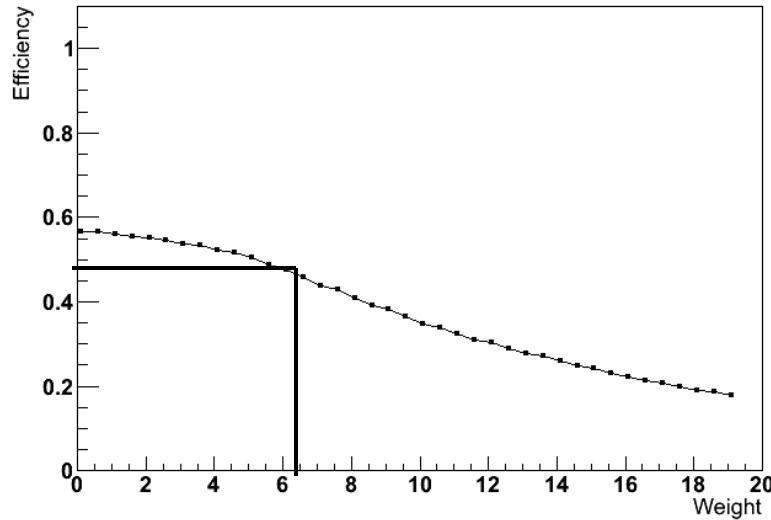
For two track vertices with:

- $\chi^2 < 4.5$
- incompatible with primary

**Weight:**  
**signed distance (computed in 3D)**  
**between the found inclusive**  
**secondary vertex and the**  
**primary vertex,**  
**divided by its error**

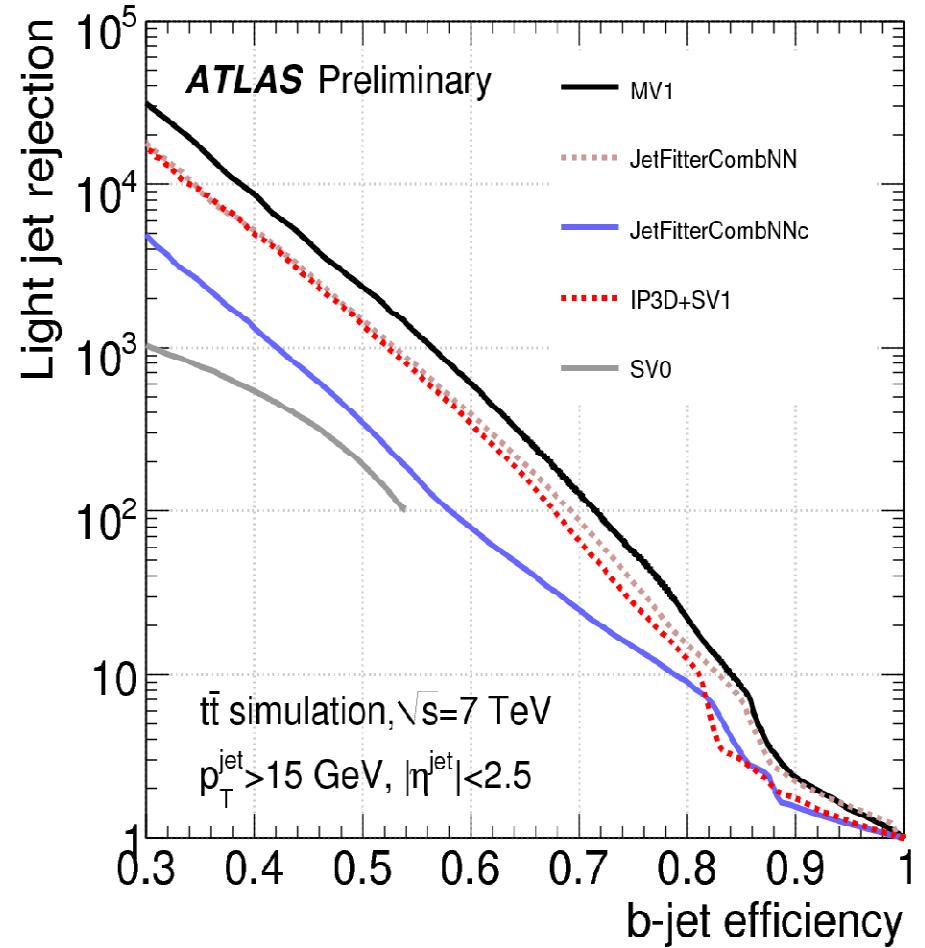
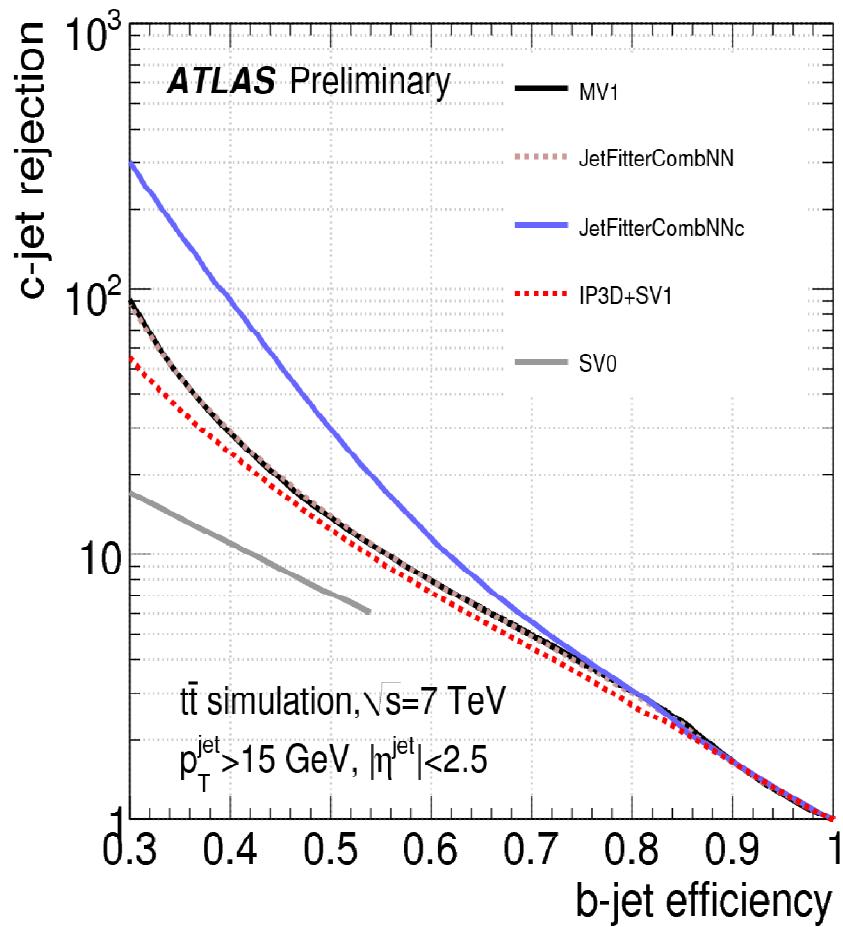


# SVO Performance



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# Performance Measurement



# Calibration



- Measurements of b-tagging efficiencies and miss-tag rates in Data
- Application of scaling factors to Monte Carlo

