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A new observable to measure the top quark mass at hadron colliders

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1. Introduction: top quark mass and its measurement

2. A new observable to measure the top quark mass at hadron colliders. Theoretical Study.

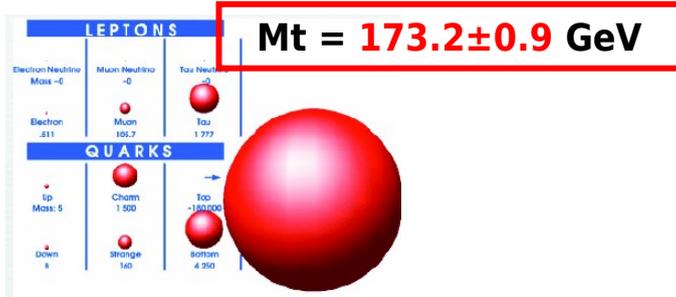
3. Generic study of experimental viability

MC comparisons, systematic uncertainties, unfolding method etc

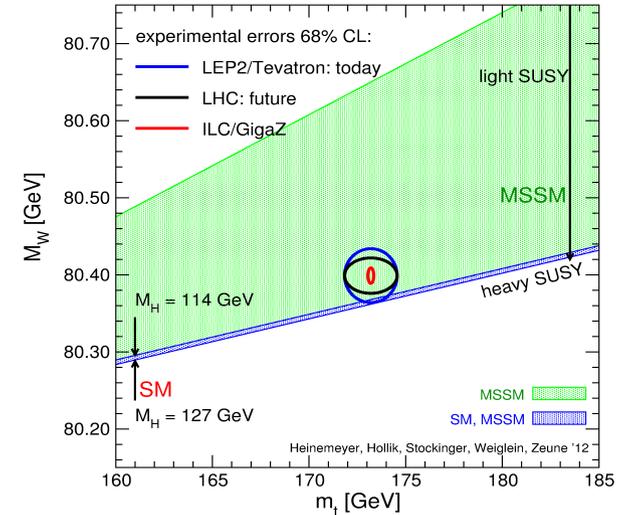
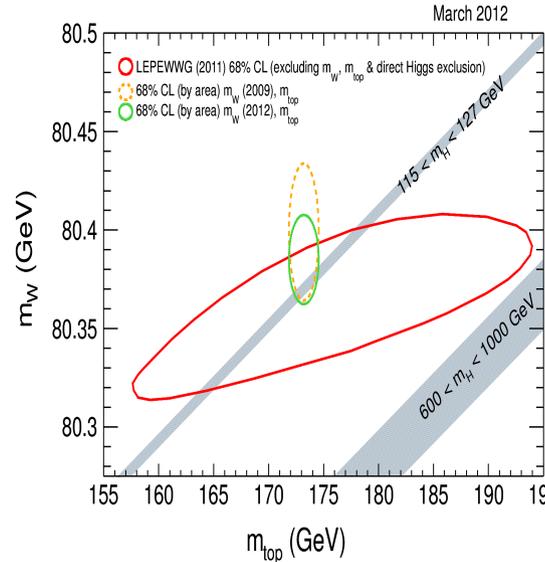
4. Conclusions

Top Quark Mass

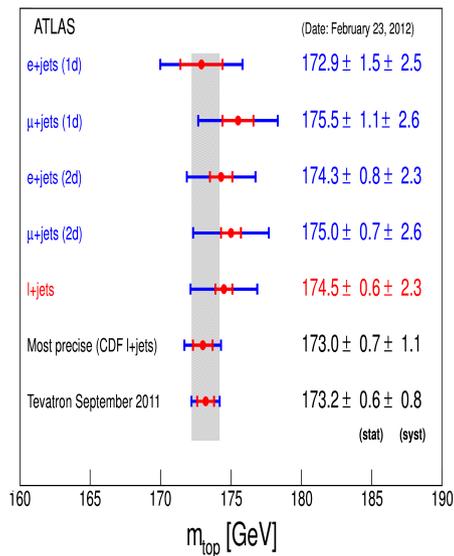
The top quark was discovered by CDF and D0 at Tevatron in 1995, observing its decay channels (one b-jet and a reconstructed W)



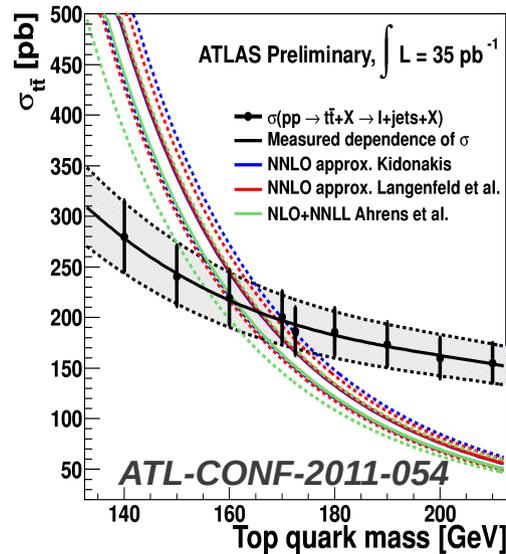
Special role in the **electroweak sector in the Standard Model (SM) and in Beyond Standard Models (BSM)** due to its large mass



Kinematic measurements



Measurement from the cross section



TOP QUARK MASS MEASUREMENTS

ATLAS: from cross section
 $m_{top}^{pole} = 166.4^{+7.8}_{-7.3} \text{ GeV}$

ATLAS: kinematic measurement (comb.)
 $M_{top} = 174.5 \pm 0.6_{(stat)} \pm 2.3_{(syst)} \text{ GeV}$

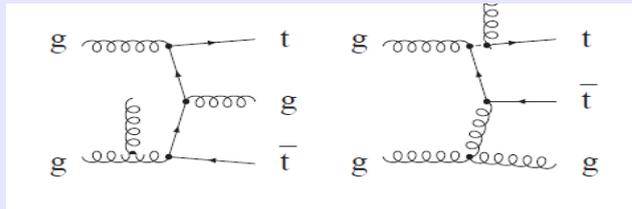
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A new observable to measure the top quark mass at hadron colliders.

The observable: $dn_3/d\rho_s$. Theoretical calculations

$t\bar{t}+1\text{Jet}$ theoretical calculations at NLO

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Definition of the Observable

New observable defined for $t\bar{t}+1\text{Jet}$ topologies.

$$\frac{dn_3}{d\rho_s}(m_{top}^{pole}, \mu) = \frac{1}{\sigma_{t\bar{t}+1\text{Jet}}} \frac{d\sigma_{t\bar{t}+1\text{Jet}}}{d\rho_s}(m_{top}^{pole}, \mu)$$

is based on the normalized differential cross section of $t\bar{t}+1\text{Jet}$.

$$\rho_s = \frac{2m_0}{\sqrt{s_{t\bar{t}+1\text{Jet}}}}$$

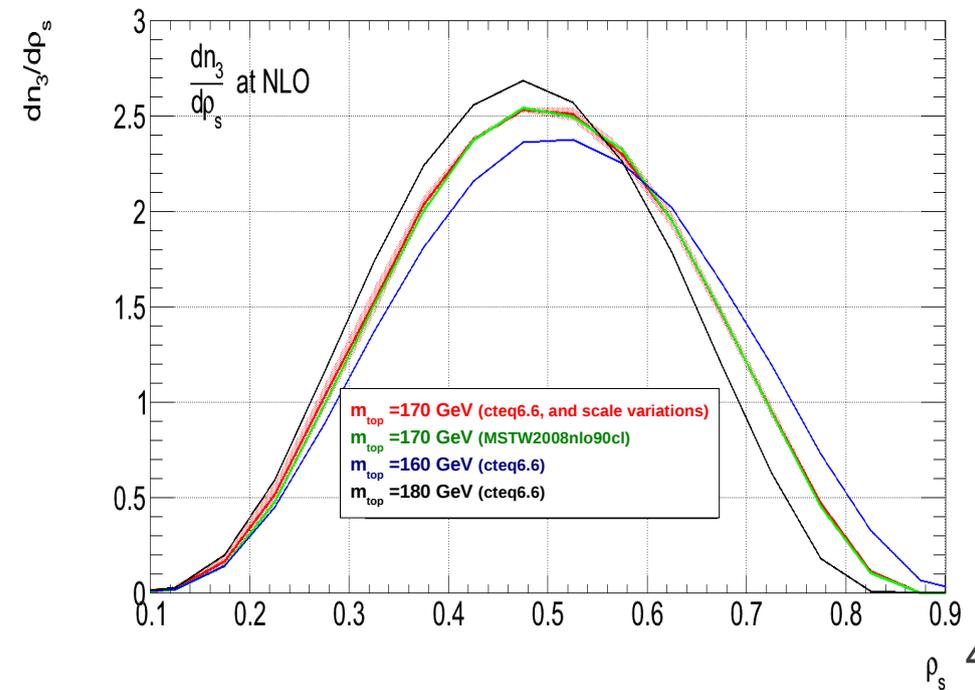
The $dn_3/d\rho_s(m_{top}, \mu)$ distribution at NLO for different top quark masses (160, 170 and 180 GeV)

The observable is defined :

- At NLO
- In a defined mass scheme (pole mass)

The observable is sensitive to the top quark mass.

Theoretical uncertainties (scale & PDF) are small.



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The observable: dn_3/dp_s . Theoretical behaviour

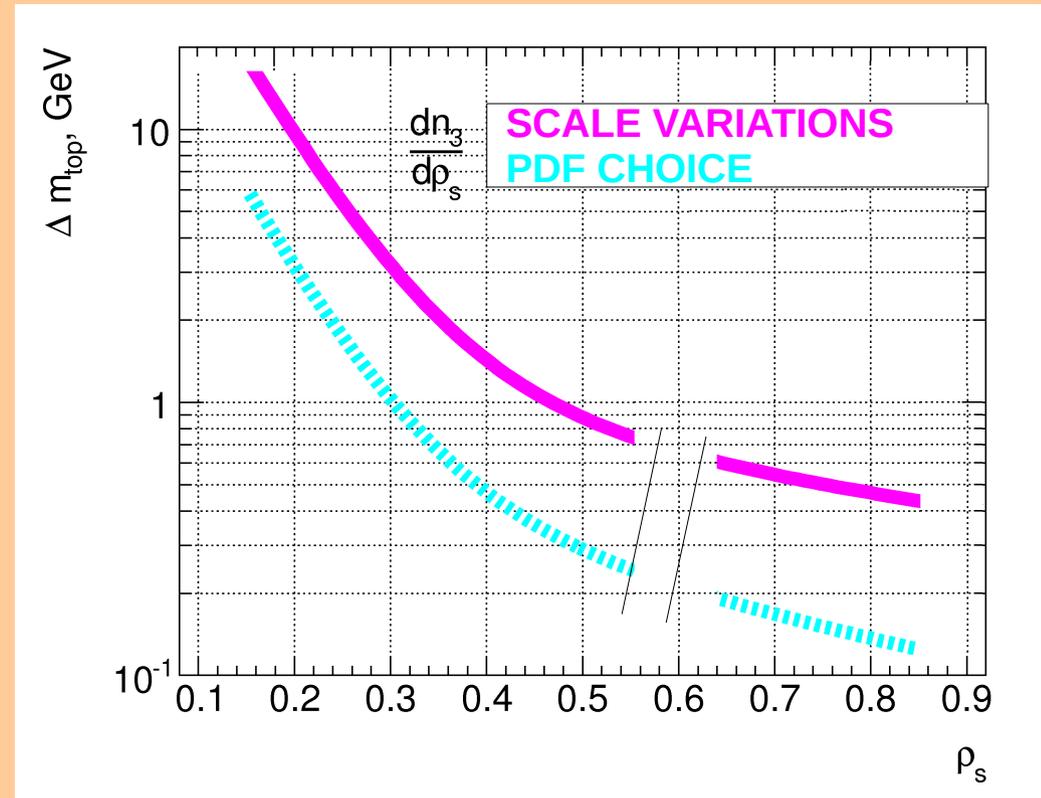
Perturbative predictions very stable:

- Small differences: LO vs NLO.
($0.5 m_{top} < \mu < 2m_{top}$)
- Small scale uncertainties.
- Small PDF uncertainties.
(*cteq6.6 vs MSTW2008mlo90cl*)

Combining the mass sensitivity of the distribution and the scale and PDF uncertainties



Estimation of the impact on the scale and PDF uncertainties on the precision of the measurement



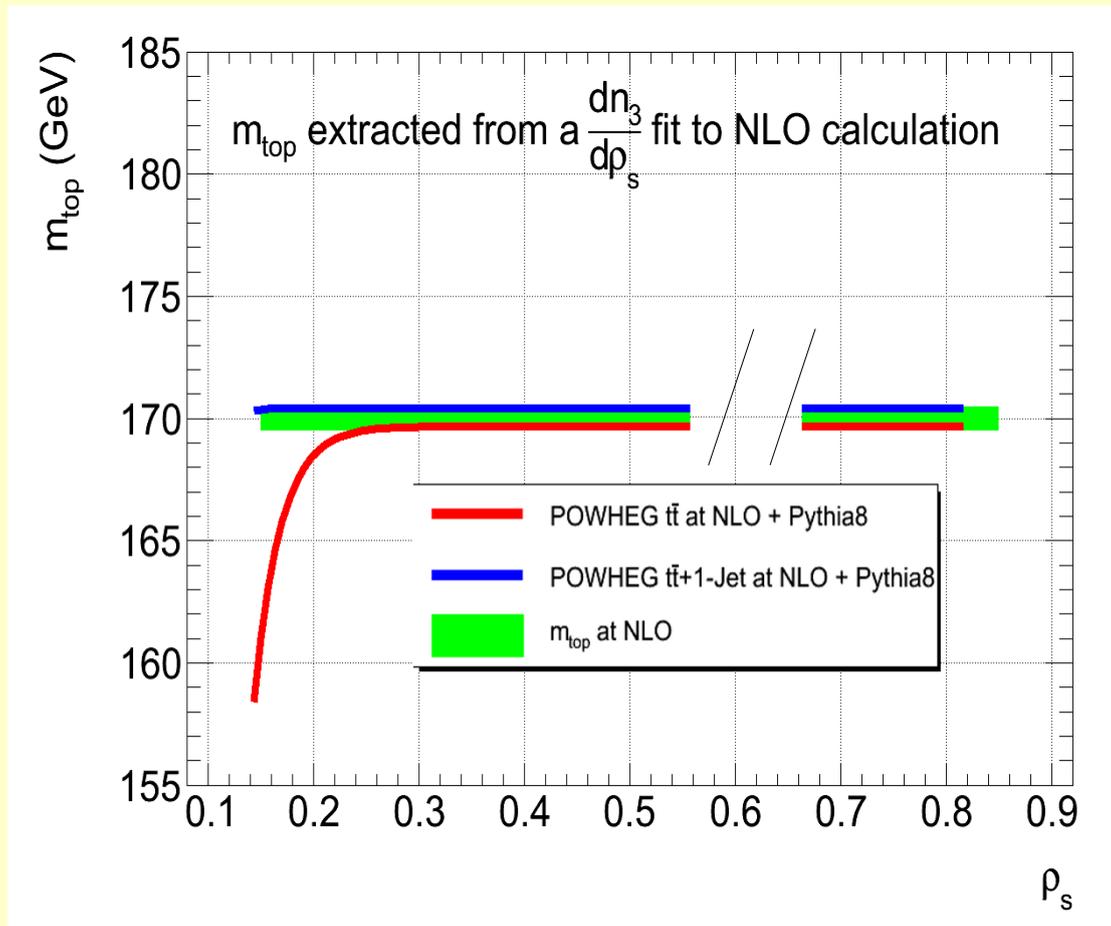
Impact to the top mass value (for $m_{top}=170$ GeV) of the **scale variations** and the **PDFs choice**.

Theoretical uncertainties from the scale variations and the PDF choice are small
~0.5GeV

Generator and MC dependences

The $t\bar{t}+1\text{Jet}$ NLO predictions of the dn_3/dp_s observable has been compared with NLO calculations matched with parton shower algorithms using the POWHEG method

- POWHEG: $t\bar{t}$ at NLO + Pythia8
- POWHEG: $t\bar{t}+1\text{Jet}$ at NLO + Pythia8

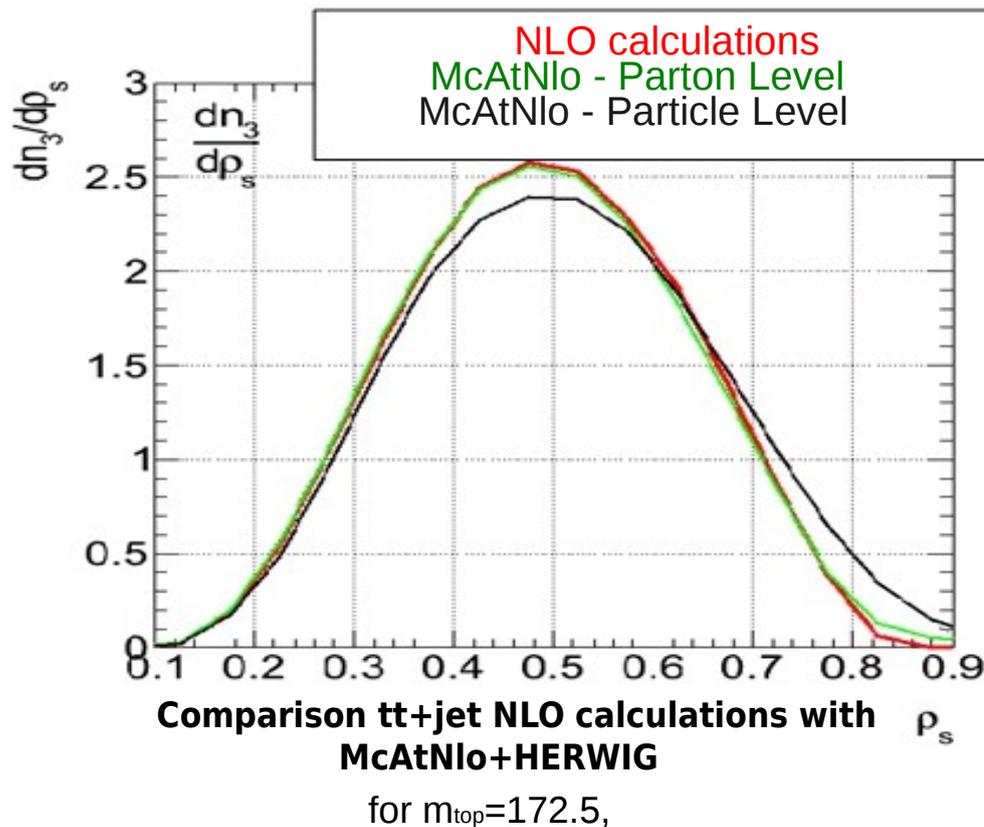


The NLO $dn_3/dp_s(m_{\text{top}}, \mu)$ distribution is used as reference and the equivalent curves for for **POWHEG $t\bar{t}$ at NLO** and **$t\bar{t}+1\text{Jet}$ at NLO** are computed to reproduce the same $dn_3/dp_s(m_{\text{top}}, \mu)$ value.

Good agreement between the different calculations.

Experimental viability

Studies with complete MC samples (semileptonic -e, mu- top quark decay, parton showering and hadronization) are being studied.



Good agreement among McAtNlo+HERWIG and POWHEG+Pythia tt at NLO samples.

Small sensitivity of the jet energy evaluation (Jet Energy Scale JES)

$$\Delta m_{\text{top}} \approx 0.8 \text{ GeV} (\Delta \text{JES} = 3\%)$$

Mass independent unfolding procedure is being investigated.

$$\Delta m_{\text{top}} \approx 1.2 \text{ GeV for } 5\text{fb}^{-1}$$

(A conservative event efficiency selection of $\sim 0.5\%$ \rightarrow 4000 events/5fb $^{-1}$ is assumed)

These preliminary studies indicate that the extraction of the top quark mass using this method is achievable with good precision.

CONCLUSIONS & PROSPECTS

A new method to measure the top quark mass:

- Pole mass defined through NLO calculations.
- Perturbative uncertainties are small and different MC approaches give consistent results.
- Theoretical uncertainties are estimated to be below 0.5 GeV.
- A generic study of the experimental viability is being performed.

Summary of some of the systematic uncertainties studied.

	Source of uncertainty	Impact on the top quark mass
Theoretical uncertainties	μ variations	~ 0.4 GeV
	PDF choice	~ 0.2 GeV
Experimental uncertainties	MC comparison	$\sim 0.4 \pm 0.3$ GeV
	JES	~ 0.8 GeV
	Statistics (5 fb ⁻¹)	~ 1.2 GeV

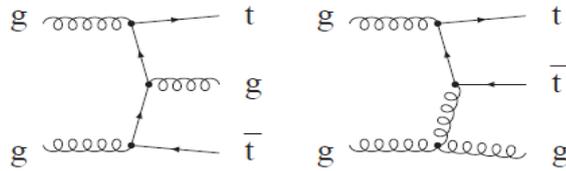
$\Delta m_{\text{top}} \approx 1$ GeV
can be achieved

A new observable to measure the top quark mass at hadron colliders: $t\bar{t}$ +jet calculations

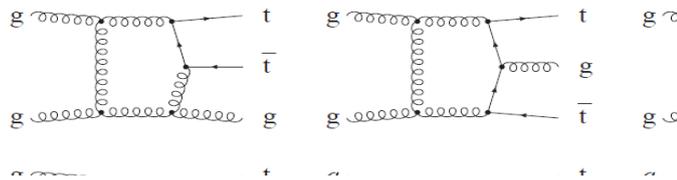
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NLO corrections to the generic $0 \rightarrow t\bar{t}gg$ and $0 \rightarrow t\bar{t}qqg$ LO matrix elements have been studied to obtain integrated and differential cross sections.



Representative $gg \rightarrow t\bar{t}g$ LO (BORN) diagrams.



Example of virtual correction (one-loop corrections to the LO reactions) diagrams.

Schematically NLO contributions:

$$\langle O \rangle^{NLO} = \int_{n+1} O_{n+1} d\sigma_R + \int_n O_n d\sigma_V + \int_n O_n d\sigma_C$$

$n = 2$ initial partons + $t\bar{t} + 1(2)$ final partons

- $d\sigma_R$ denotes the **real-emission contribution** ($t\bar{t}+2$ partons in the final state)
- $d\sigma_V$ is the **virtual contribution** whose matrix elements are given by interference term of the 1-loop amplitudes ($t\bar{t}+1$ parton f.s) with the corresponding Born amplitude.
- $d\sigma_C$ denotes a **collinear subtraction term** (from the factorization of the initial-states collinear singularities)
- **The function O_n** defined in the n -particle phase space is needed to define an **IR-safe observable**

The IR-safe observable has been obtained by defining a jet reconstructed from the final (non-top) partons with the **anti-Kt algorithm ($R=0.4$)**

FastJet Package (*Phys. Lett. B* 641 (2006) 57) and the anti-Kt algorithm (*JHEP* 0804 (2008) 63).

Theoretical uncertainties

- **PDF selection:** for study the impact of the PDF selection, the results obtained using two different sets (CTEQ6.6 & MSTW2008nlo90cl) have been compared.
- **Scale variations:** The usual convention where $\mu_r = \mu_f = \mu$ and it is in the interval of $0.5 m_{\text{top}} < \mu < 2 m_{\text{top}}$ has been followed.

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The observable: dn_3/dp_s Systematic studies

Theoretical uncertainties with the PDF election and the scale variations

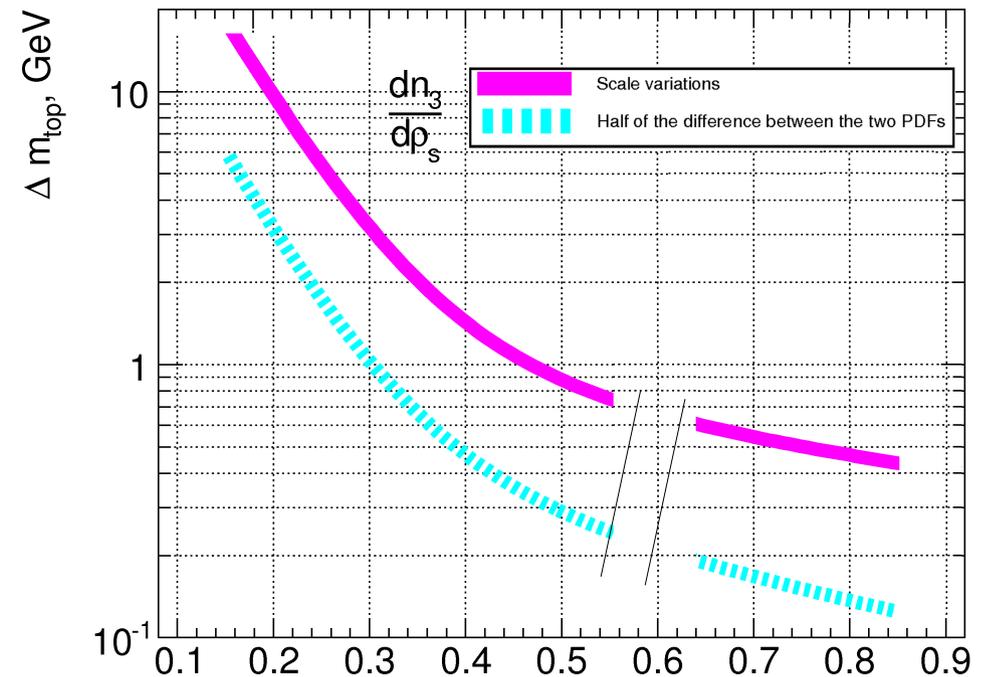
Mass sensitivity $s(\text{GeV}^{-1})$ is defined as:

$$s(\Delta m_t, m_t) = \frac{|n_3(m_t) - n_3(m_t + \Delta m_t)| + |n_3(m_t) - n_3(m_t - \Delta m_t)|}{2 \cdot n_3(m_t) \cdot \Delta m_t}$$

Scale and PDF systematic dependences on the mass are evaluated as:

$$\frac{\Delta \mu \setminus \Delta PDF}{s(\text{GeV}^{-1})}$$

where $\Delta \mu$ and ΔPDF are the scale and PDF systematic dependences on the dn_3/dp_s

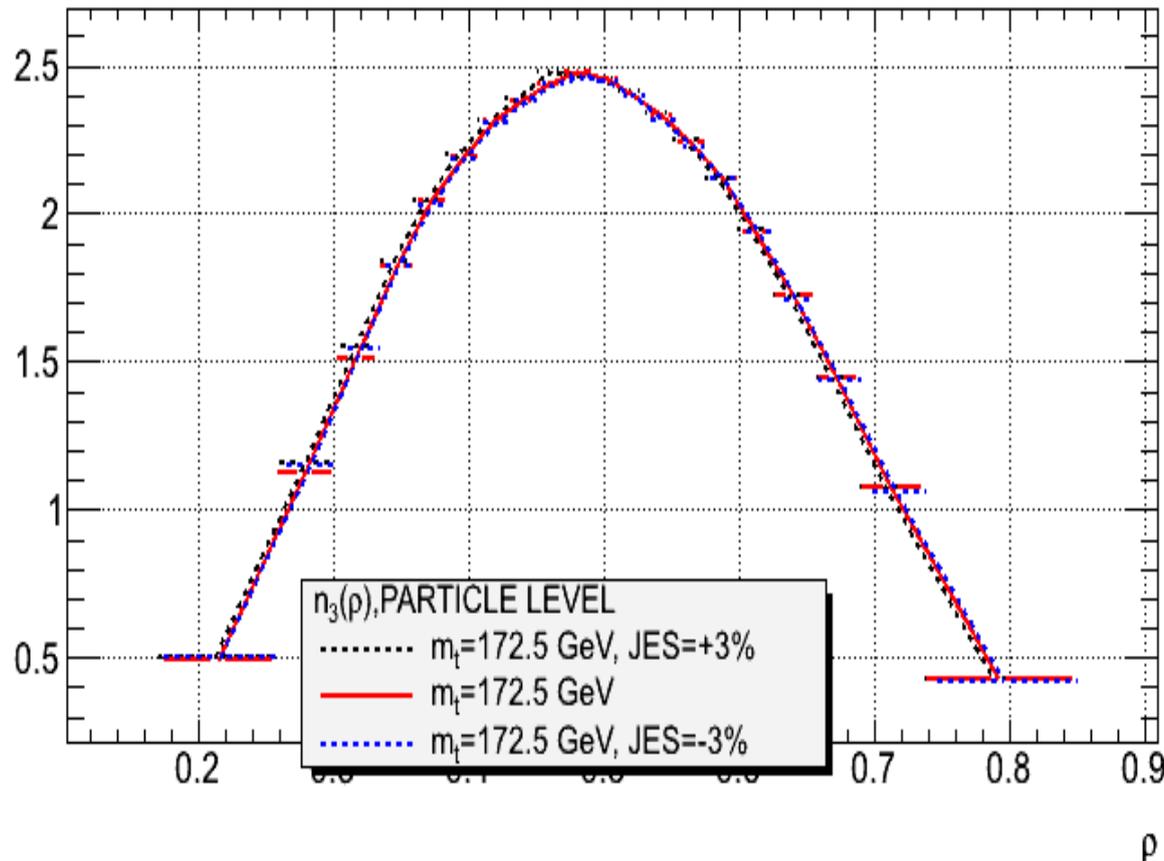


Impact to the top mass value (for $m_{top} = 170$ GeV) of the **scale**. The equivalent impact of the difference between the two **PDFs** considered in this exercise is also shown.

Dependences lower than 1 GeV for the low invariant mass region

Estimation of JES (Jet Energy Scale) uncertainties

The uncertainty of the n_3 distribution due to JES has been evaluated by variation of the JES by $\pm 3\%$. And after, applying the JES corrections to all reconstructed jet, n_3 distribution is reevaluated.

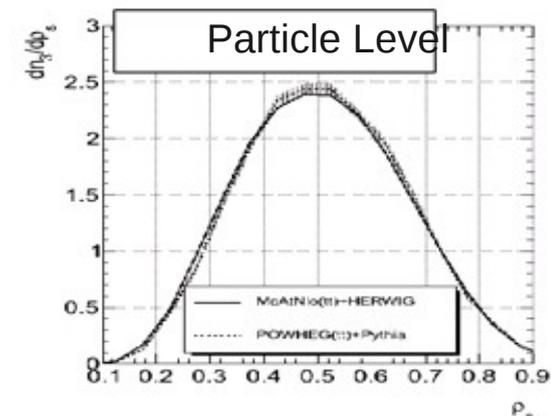
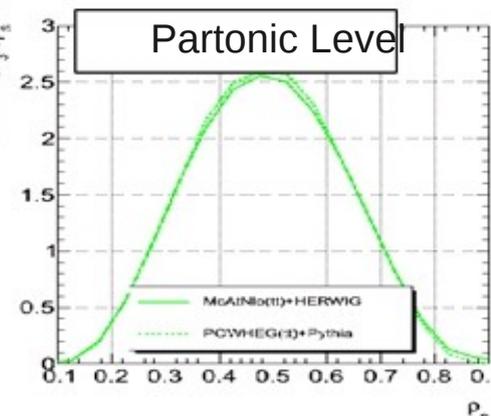
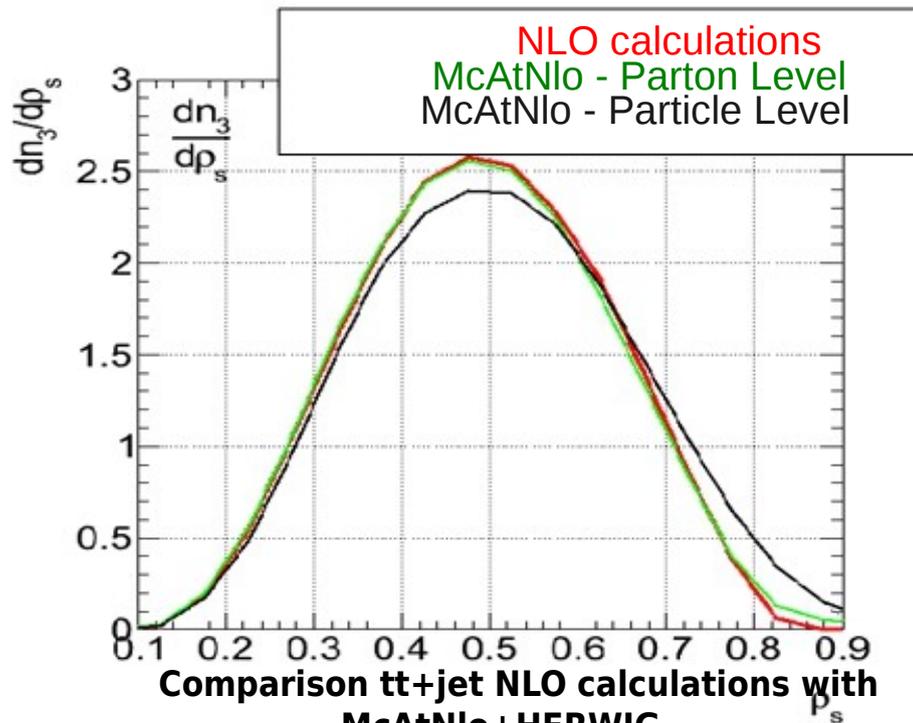


The impact on the top quark mass of the jet energy (JES) evaluation has been estimated \rightarrow 700-900 MeV (Δ JES = 3%)

Comparison with other MC

Objects, at Particle Level:

- **Good Electrons:** dressed electrons with $p_T > 25$ GeV, $|\eta| < 2.47$
- **Good Muons:** $p_T > 20$ GeV, $|\eta| < 2.5$
- **Neutrinos:** neutrinos coming from W boson. $p_T > 20$ GeV (muon channel), $p_T > 35$ GeV (electron channel)
- **Particle Jets:** AntiKtTruthJets with $p_T > 25$ GeV, $|\eta| < 2.5$



Comparison : McAtNlo+HERWIG vs POWHEG+Pythia for the selection **partonic level (left) and selection at particle level (right).**

ATLAS MonteCarlo samples show good agreement with our calculations and are compatible between them.

$dn_3/dp_s(m_{top}, \mu)$ distribution at NLO for $m_{top}=172.5$, GeV obtained using:

- tt+Jet NLO calculations
- McAtNlo+HERWIG at Partonic Level
- McAtNlo+HERWIG at Particle Level. (TruthParticle objects)