A 3D schematic of the CLIC detector. The central region is highlighted in yellow and contains a complex network of red and orange lines representing particle tracks. The detector is surrounded by various components, some shown in blue and green. A vertical color scale on the right side of the top part of the image is labeled 'GeV' and has markers at 51.2 and 100.0. The background is a light blue and white grid.

# Status and plans for CLIC top quark studies

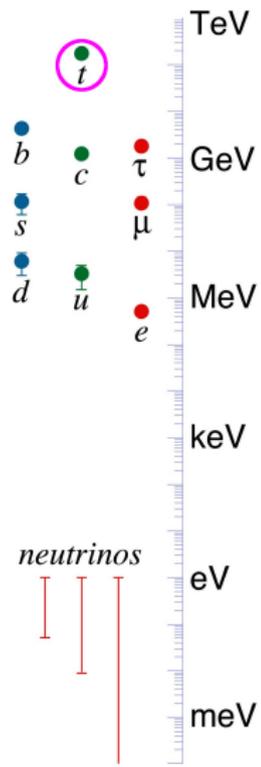
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# Motivation



## Top quark

- the heaviest known elementary particle
- Yukawa coupling to Higgs boson  $y_t \sim 1$   
 $\Rightarrow$  key to understanding of EWSB
- decays before hadronizing:  
 the only “naked” quark  
 $\Rightarrow$  test ground for QCD
- large loop contributions to many precision measurements
- sensitive to many BSM scenarios  
 $\Rightarrow$  a window to “new physics”

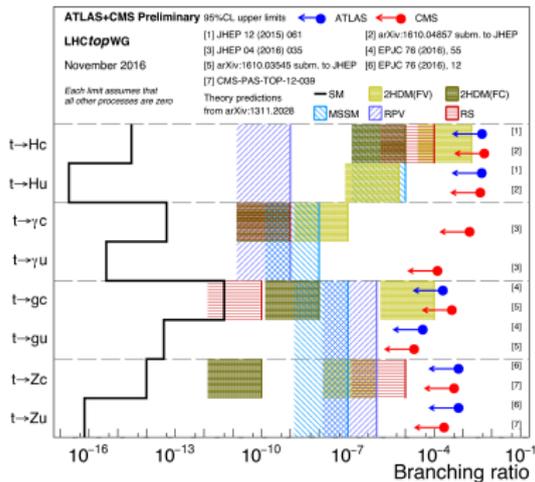
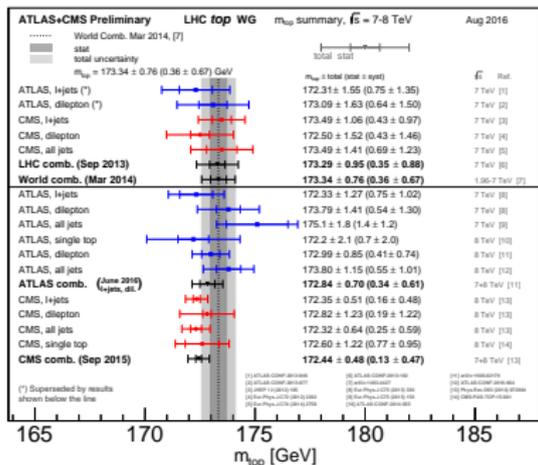
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# Status and prospects at LHC

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## Top mass

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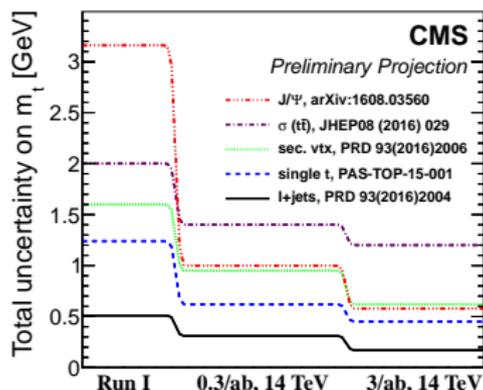


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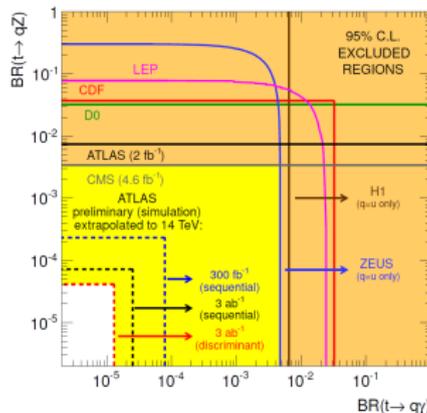
The HL-LHC will provide much larger samples for precision top physics  
 $\sim 3$  billion top-quark pairs produced,  $\sim 1$  billion tops produced singly

Top mass

FCNC decays



“mass scheme” uncertainty not included  
 CMS CR-2017/029



ATL-PHYS-PUB-2012-001

Most measurements will be systematics limited

## Assumed running scenario CERN-2016-004

Three construction stages (each 5 to 7 years of running)

- $\sqrt{s} = 380$  GeV with  $500 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  +  $100 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  at  $t\bar{t}$  threshold  
selected as an optimal choice for precision Higgs and top physics
- $\sqrt{s} = 1.5$  TeV with  $1500 \text{ fb}^{-1}$
- $\sqrt{s} = 3$  TeV with  $3000 \text{ fb}^{-1}$   
with  $\pm 80\%$  electron beam polarisation (baseline design)

## Full simulation studies

CDR detector models based on the SiD and ILD concepts for the ILC  
dedicated detector concept, CLICdet, implemented recently

Luminosity spectra and overlay events taken into account

Event reconstruction with the “Particle Flow” approach

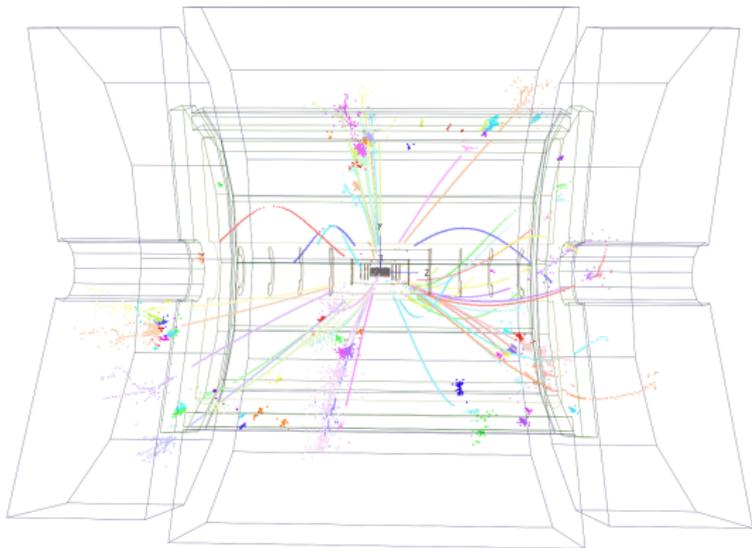
Excellent flavour tagging possible with a high precision pixel vertex detector

see presentation by Dominik Dannheim for more details

## Presented in this contribution

- 1 Top reconstruction
- 2 Top mass and width measurement
- 3 Electroweak couplings
- 4 Yukawa coupling
- 5 Rare decays

## Final state



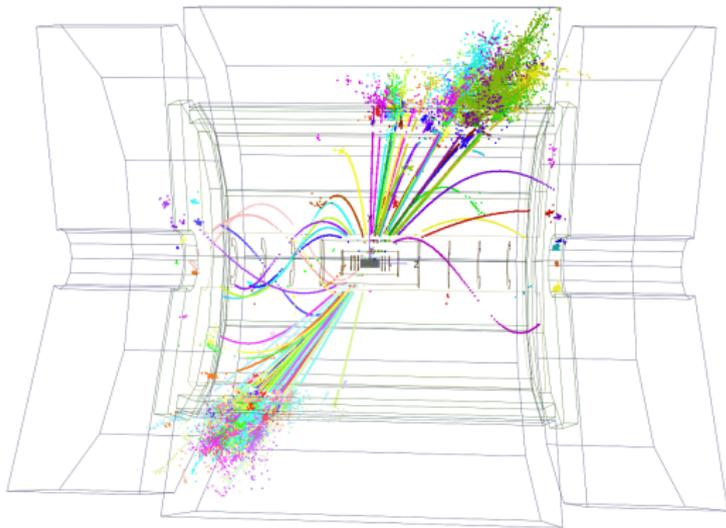
At **low energy stage**, top decay products (jets) well separated.

**Direct reconstruction** of the decay kinematics possible.

**Crucial for efficient background suppression**

$$e^+e^- \rightarrow t\bar{t} \rightarrow 6j \quad \text{at} \quad \sqrt{s} = 380 \text{ GeV}$$

## Final state



At **higher energy stages**, top quarks produced with **large boost**.

Decay products cluster in two **“fat” jets**.

⇒ dedicated tools needed to discriminate between top and background events

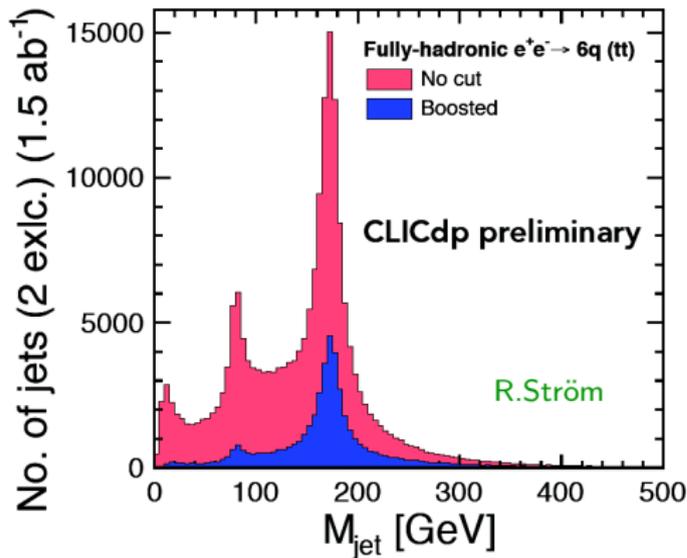
$$e^+e^- \longrightarrow t\bar{t} \longrightarrow 6j \quad \text{at} \quad \sqrt{s} = 3 \text{ TeV}$$

# Top event reconstruction

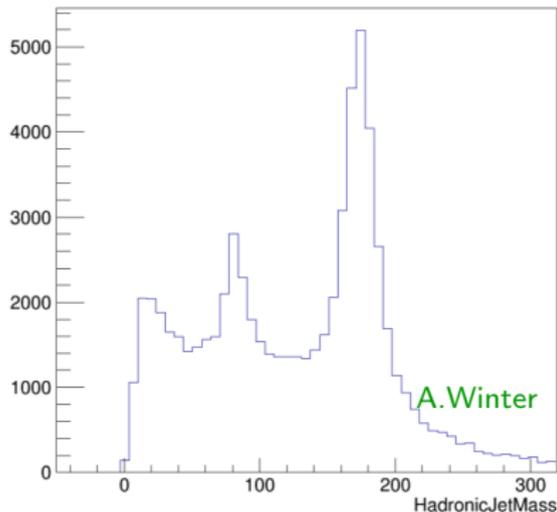
## Final state

Invariant mass for “fat jets” (events clustered into 2 jets)  $\sqrt{s} = 1.4$  TeV

$t\bar{t} \rightarrow 6j$



$t\bar{t} \rightarrow 4j l \nu$

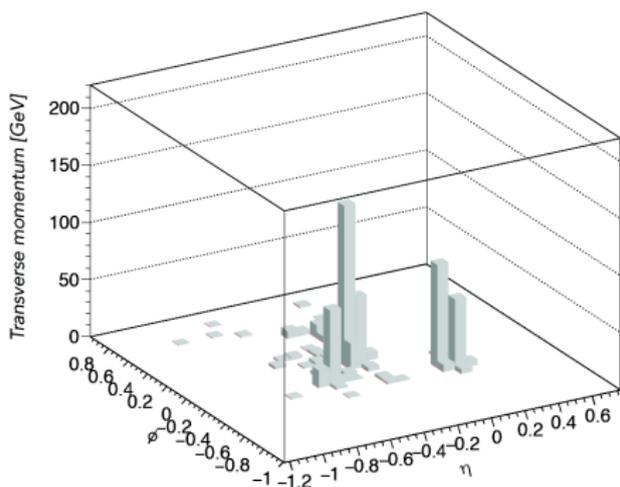


Two analyses ongoing

## Using jet substructure

to distinguish boosted top jets from light-quark and gluon jets using

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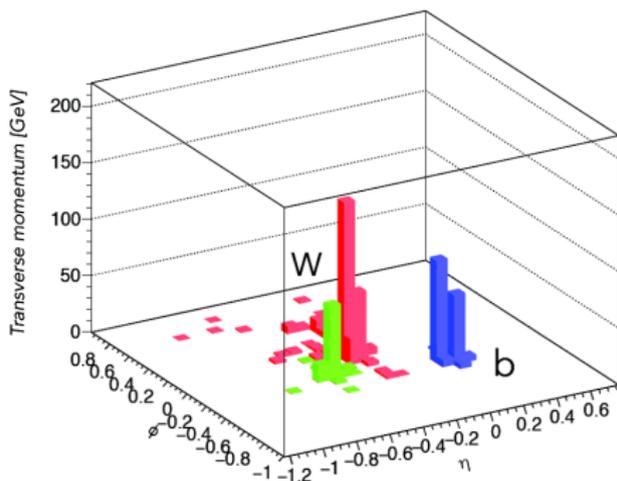
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Impose **kinematic constraints**

Look also at relative angles, jet  
multiplicity...

# Top reconstruction

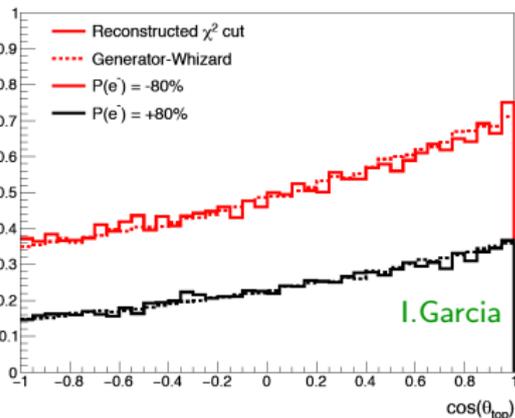
## Reconstruction of top production angle

In semi-leptonic decay channel:  $e^+e^- \rightarrow t\bar{t} \rightarrow 4j \nu$

⇒ determination of Forward-Backward asymmetry

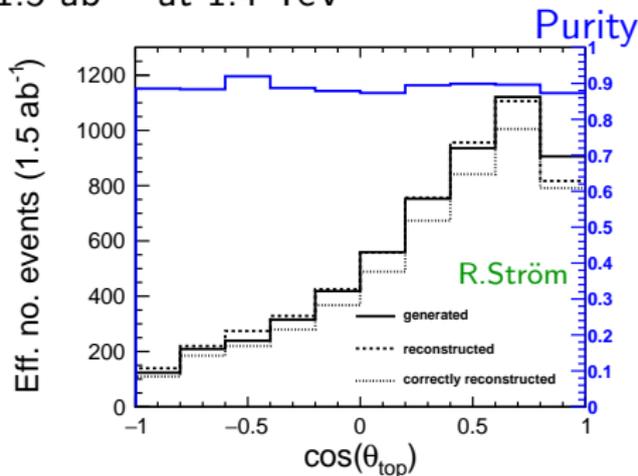
important observable for top coupling determination

500 fb<sup>-1</sup> at 380 GeV



Tight quality cuts required to assure proper charge determination

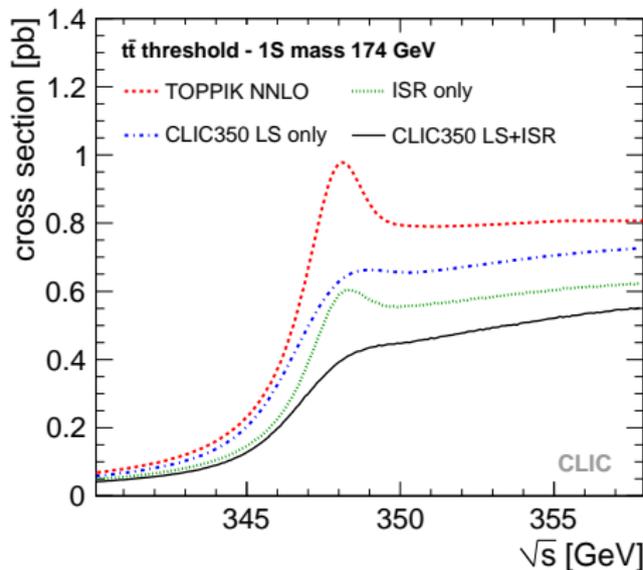
1.5 ab<sup>-1</sup> at 1.4 TeV



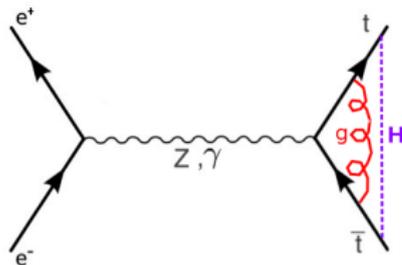
corrected for event selection efficiency

# Threshold scan

Top pair production **cross section around threshold**:  
 resonance-like structure corresponding to narrow  $t\bar{t}$  bound state.  
 Very sensitive to top properties and model parameters:



- top quark mass  $m_t$
- top quark width  $\Gamma_t$
- strong coupling  $\alpha_s$
- top Yukawa coupling  $y_t$

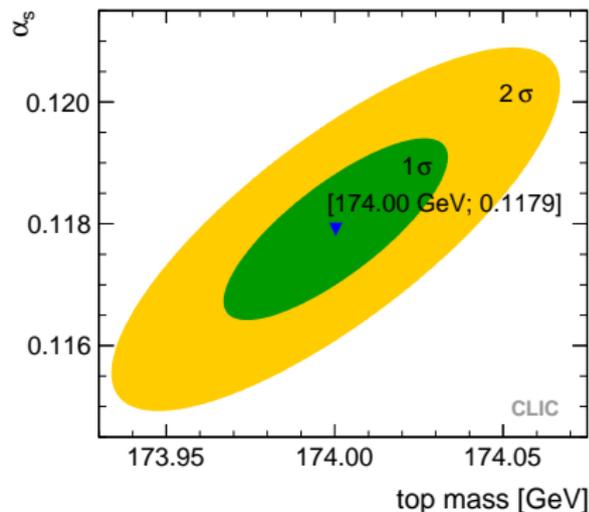
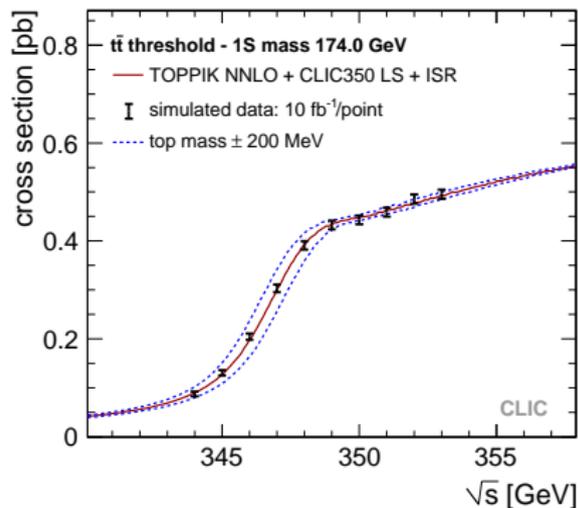


Significant cross section smearing due to luminosity spectra and ISR

# Top mass determination

Already  $100 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  at the **threshold** sufficient for **top mass** measurement

**Energy scan:** 10 cross section measurements,  $10 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  each (to be optimised)



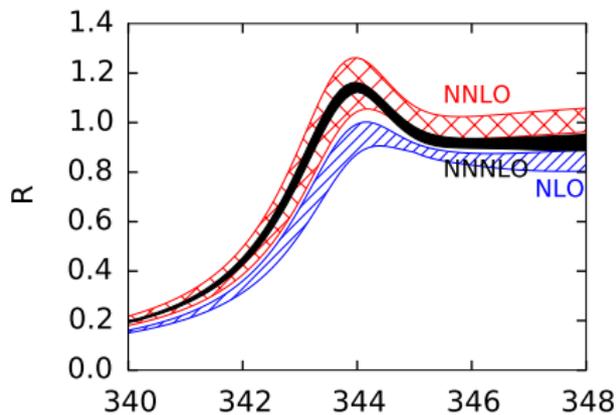
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Expected **statistical uncertainty** on top mass: 15–20 MeV  
on top width:  $\sim 40 \text{ MeV}$

## Threshold scan

Main advantage: mass **well defined** from theoretical point of view

Enormous progress in precision of theoretical calculations



M. Beneke et al.,  $\sqrt{s}$  (GeV)  
Phys. Rev. Lett. 115, 192001 (2015)

Estimates for top mass

**systematic uncertainties:**

- theoretical predictions (NNLO):  
 $\sim 40$  MeV
- parametric  $\alpha_s$  uncertainty:  
 $\sim 30$  MeV (for today's WA)
- other uncertainties  
(backgrounds, spectra, etc.):  
on  $10\text{--}20$  MeV level

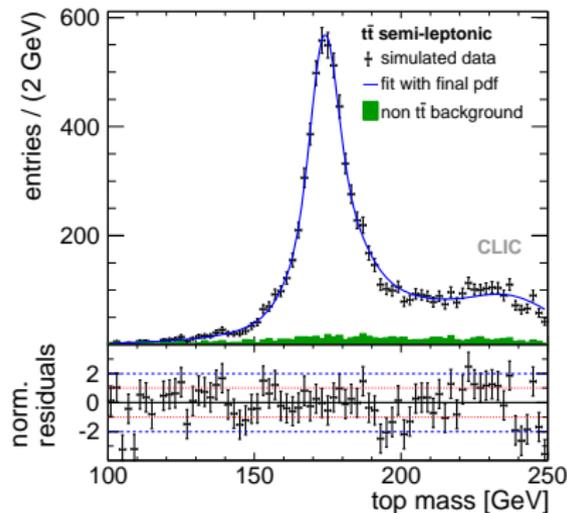
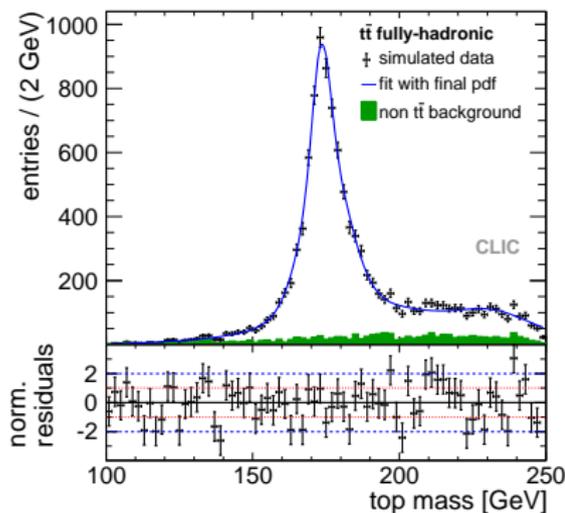
$\Rightarrow$  total uncertainty on the top mass of  $\sim 50$  MeV feasible  
dominated by systematics

# Top mass determination

## Direct reconstruction

Possible for all energies above the threshold (continuum)

Blue statistical precision: 80 MeV estimated for  $100 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  at 500 GeV



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Suffers from **significant theoretical uncertainties**

when converting to particular mass scheme (as in LHC).

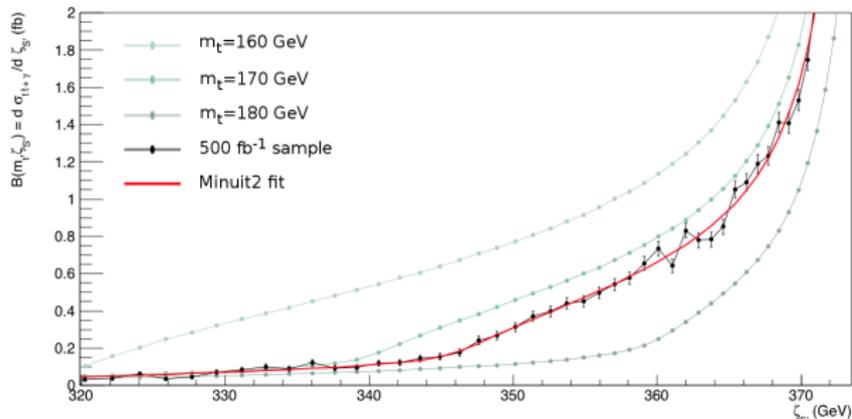
# Top mass determination

## Radiative events

M.Boronat @ CLIC'2016

At higher energies, we are still sensitive to  $t\bar{t}$  threshold in radiative events. When measuring the ISR photon, we can calculate “true” collision energy.

### Reconstructed energy spectra



Particle level  
 $\sqrt{s} = 380 \text{ GeV}$   
 $\zeta_{S'} = \sqrt{s'}$

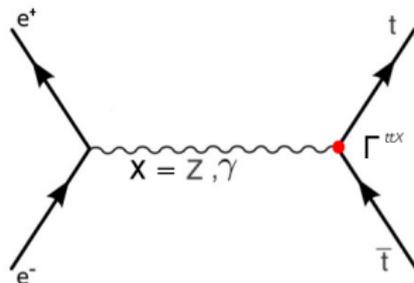
Parton and particle level studies indicate that statistical uncertainty of  $\sim 100 \text{ MeV}$  can be obtained by combining the ISR and FSR measurements

Full simulation study is under development

# Electroweak couplings

Pair production: direct access  
to top **electroweak couplings**

Possible higher order corrections  
⇒ sensitive to **“new physics”**



Form factor approach:

$$\Gamma_{\mu}^{t\bar{t}X}(k^2, q, \bar{q}) = ie \left\{ \gamma_{\mu} (F_{1V}^X(k^2) + \gamma_5 F_{1A}^X(k^2)) - \frac{\sigma_{\mu\nu}}{2m_t} (q + \bar{q})^{\nu} (iF_{2V}^X(k^2) + \gamma_5 F_{2A}^X(k^2)) \right\}$$

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Alternative, more universal approach: **effective field theory (EFT)**

$$\mathcal{L}_{eff} = \mathcal{L}_{SM} + \frac{1}{\Lambda^2} \sum_i C_i O_i + \mathcal{O}(\Lambda^{-4})$$

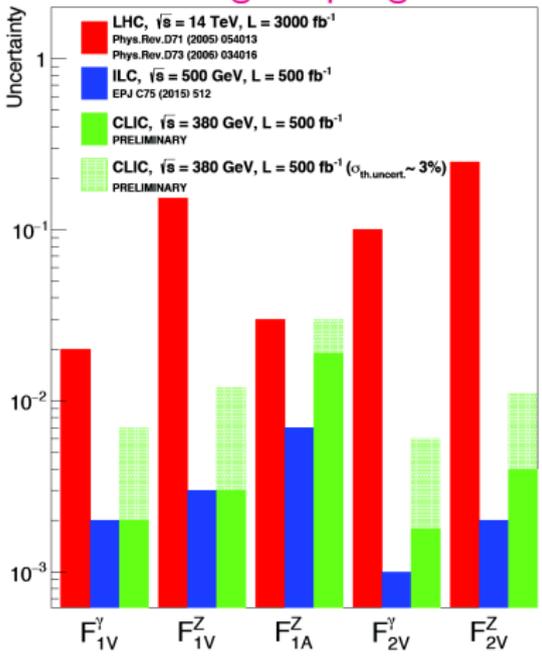
- ⇒ allows to connect different physics processes (sharing same operator)
- ⇒ allows to combine/compare different experiments
- ⇒ includes additional terms (i.e. four-fermion contact interactions)

**Under development.** Focus on 2-fermion and 4-fermion dim-6 operators.

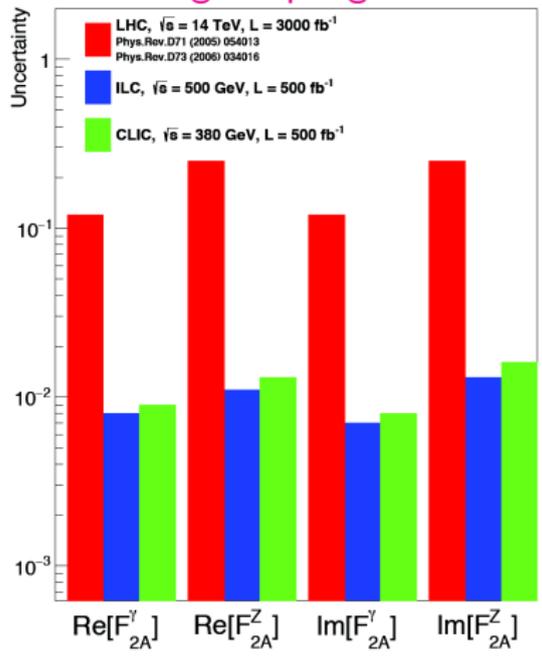
# Electroweak couplings

Expected coupling precision at **LHC**, **ILC** (500 GeV) and **CLIC** (380 GeV) initial stage

## CP conserving couplings



## CP violating couplings

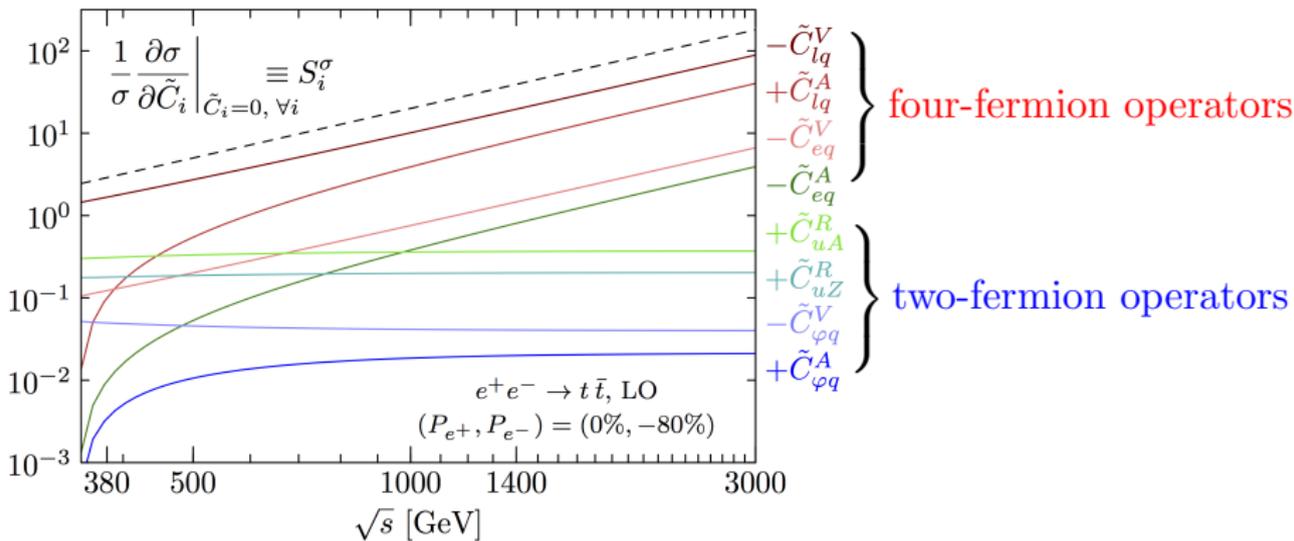


IFIC-LAL Collaboration, M.Perello @ ECFA LC'2016

## EFT prospects

M.Perello, this workshop

Sensitivity of  $\sigma(e^+e^- \rightarrow t\bar{t})$  to dimension-6 operators



Multi-TeV operation gives high sensitivity to four-fermion operators

High sensitivity to two-fermion operators at the initial stage

## Threshold scan

ILC: A.Ishikawa @ TopLC'2015

Pair production at threshold: 9% Higgs exchange contribution

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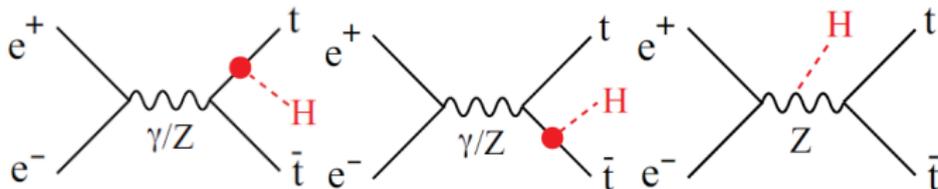
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## Direct measurement

for energies above 500 GeV

$y_t$  can be extracted from the measured  $e^+e^- \rightarrow t\bar{t}H$  cross section



Difficult measurement: very low statistics and large backgrounds.

Statistical uncertainty of **4.4%** expected for  $1.5 \text{ ab}^{-1}$  at **1.4 TeV**

CLICdp-Note-2015-001

New: analysis looking at CP violation in the  $t\bar{t}H$  vertex at 1.4 TeV

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Two channels under study for CLIC at 380 GeV

### $t \rightarrow c h$

- enhancement up to  $10^{-5}$ – $10^{-2}$
- test of Higgs boson couplings
- well constrained kinematics
- seems most difficult for LHC

$$\text{Run II: } BR < 0.46\%$$

$$\text{HL-LHC: } BR < 2 \cdot 10^{-4}$$

### $t \rightarrow c \gamma$

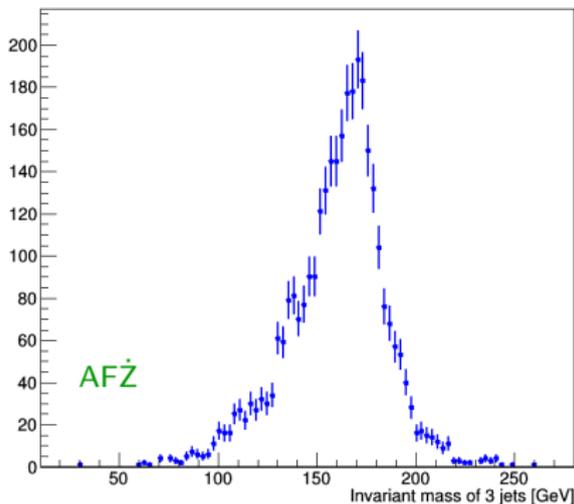
- enhancement up to  $10^{-7}$ – $10^{-5}$
- clear signature
- less constrained kinematics
- expected limits from HL-LHC

$$BR < 2.5 \cdot 10^{-5}$$

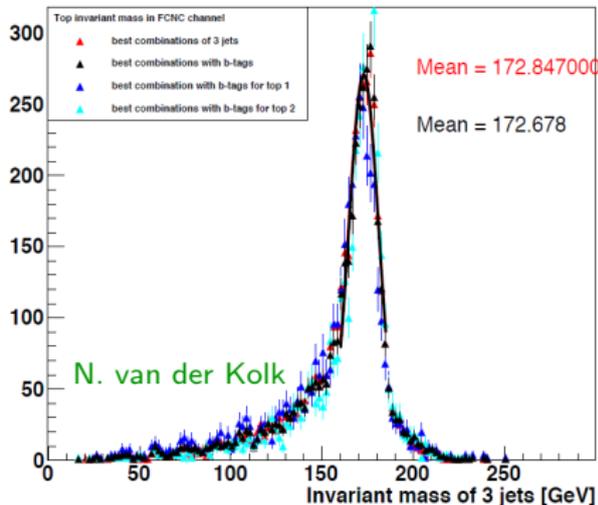
## Reconstruction of FCNC events

Preliminary results from the full simulation study for  $\sqrt{s} = 380\text{ GeV}$   
 Invariant mass distributions for “spectator” top candidates (SM decay)

$t \rightarrow c h$  events

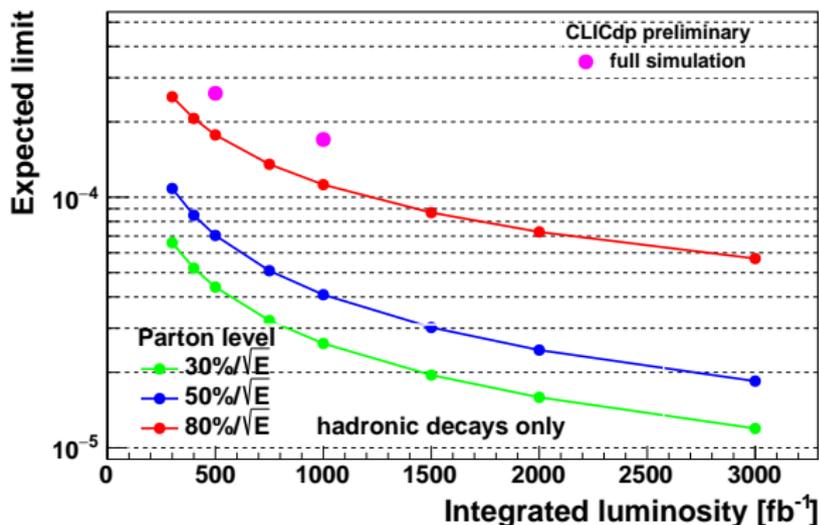


$t \rightarrow c \gamma$  events



**Expected limits** on  $BR(t \rightarrow ch) \times BR(h \rightarrow b\bar{b})$  at  $\sqrt{s} = 380$  GeV

Comparison with parton level results, different jet energy resolutions



AFŻ @ LCWS'16

Kinematic fit performance still to be optimised

Background reduction primarily based on **flavour tagging!**

## Summary of activities

	Threshold	380 GeV	1.4 TeV	3 TeV
Top reconstruction	✓	✓	▣➔	▣➔
Top mass	✓	✓		
EW couplings		✓	▣➔	▣➔
Yukawa coupling + CP	✗		✓▣➔	
FCNC decays		▣➔		
Single top/ $V_{tb}$			▣➔	✗
Top squark production				▣➔?

✓ - available, ▣➔ - under study, ✗ - missing

The goal is to prepare the complete top paper draft before the end of 2017

Precise determination of top parameters is crucial for validation of the Standard Model (or any alternative BSM theory)

Wide range of top related measurements under study for CLIC  
Most of it can be addressed already at the initial stage!

Top threshold scan gives unique opportunities for precise mass, width and coupling determination

Direct measurement of Yukawa coupling requires higher beam energies

Most of processes studied in details, based on full simulation results.

A lot of ongoing activities, focus mainly on high energy stages and optimization of the detector performance.

⇒ towards the top paper draft by the end of 2017

## **Invitation** to Workshop on top physics at the LC 2017 (TopLC17)

TopLC workshops gather theorists and experimentalists to study the potential of future lepton colliders in the area of top quark physics.

TopLC17 will be held at CERN on 7-9 June 2017

For details see:

<http://indico.cern.ch/event/595651/>

Registration is already opened

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