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# Searches for Exotic Heavy Quarks and tt Resonances in ATLAS

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### Dataset



- 2011 ATLAS Dataset:
  - Peak instantaneous luminosity: 3.7x10<sup>33</sup> cm<sup>-2</sup>s<sup>-1</sup>
  - Integrated luminosity: ~5.3 fb<sup>-1</sup> recorded
    - → 4.7 fb<sup>-1</sup> after all data quality requirements (these analyses use full detector!)
- Results presented here consider dataset recorded up to August 2011:
  - → ~1-2 fb<sup>-1</sup> in analysis
- Analyses using full 2011 dataset are underway and should be available soon.

# **Exotic Heavy Quarks**

### 4<sup>th</sup> Generation Quarks

- SM doesn't predict # of fermion generations:
  - Upper bound from QCD asymptotic freedom: #families < 9.
  - CKM constraints fairly weak.
- SM4 = SM + 4<sup>th</sup> generation family of fermions with 100 GeV < M < 600 GeV. Above 600 GeV large Yukawa couplings render model nonperturbative.
- In this talk will focus on heavy quarks
- Who ordered that?
  - Consistent w/ precision EW data and allowing for a heavier Higgs boson (up to ~500 GeV).
  - Extended CKM matrix could provide enough CP-violation to explain matterantimatter asymmetry.
     CKM<sub>4x4</sub> =
  - Can explain some anomalies in CPviolation measurements in B-physics.



$0.97377 \pm 0.00027$	$0.2257 \pm 0.0021$	$0.00431 \pm 0.00030$	< 0.044
$0.230 \pm 0.011$	$0.957 \pm 0.095$	$0.0416 \pm 0.0006$	< 0.46
$0.0074 \pm 0.0008$	$0.0406 \pm 0.0027$	> 0.78	< 0.47
< 0.063	< 0.46	< 0.47	> 0.57

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(T,B) doublet	TB <sub>d</sub>	(+2/3, -1/3)	T→W⁺b, Zt, ht B→W⁺t, Zb, hb	ht ht
(X,T) doublet	XT <sub>d</sub>	(+5/3, +2/3)	X→W⁺t T→Zt, ht	2 0.2 ↓
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### **Heavy Quark Production**

- Up to masses ~1 TeV, dominant production is in pairs via the strong interaction:  $\sqrt{s}=7$  TeV:  $\sigma(Q\overline{Q}) \sim 1.5$  pb for m<sub>Q</sub>~400 GeV vs  $\sigma(t\overline{t}) = 160$  pb  $\sqrt{s}=14$  TeV:  $\sigma(Q\overline{Q}) \sim 8$  pb for m<sub>Q</sub>~400 GeV vs  $\sigma(t\overline{t}) = 880$  pb
- Many models involving vector-like quarks also have new heavy spin-1 colored particles (e.g. G') which can enhance significantly the cross section.
- For masses above ~1 TeV the dominant production mode is single via the EW interactions (model-dependent, but also opportunity to measure weak couplings of heavy quarks!).



### **Signatures: 4th Generation Quarks**

 4<sup>th</sup> generation models have a restricted list of available signatures that simplify the search strategy: TT→WbWb, BB→WtWt

			TB <sub>d</sub>	
4 leptons	41 (0Z)		ВB	
3 leptons	31 (0Z)		$B\overline{B}$	
OS dileptons	l+l- (0Z)		TT,BB	
SS dileptons	1±1±		$B\overline{B}$	
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	l± (≥6j)		ΒB	

### **Signatures: Vector-like Quarks**

• If we consider VLQ models, there are many signatures that could be exploited, and which are ultimately needed to both enhance discovery potential and model discrimination.



• Of course, some of them are more challenging or powerful than others...

### **Signatures Covered in This Talk**



# Up-type quarks

### TT→WbWb (lepton+jets)



- Event selection:
  - =1 e/μ, p<sub>T</sub>(e)>25 GeV, p<sub>T</sub>(μ)>20 GeV
  - e(μ)+jets: E<sub>T</sub><sup>miss</sup>>35(20) GeV
  - $E_T^{miss}+M_T(W)>60 \text{ GeV}$
  - $\geq$ 3 jets with p<sub>T</sub>>25 GeV, |η|<2.5; p<sub>T1</sub>>60 GeV
  - ≥1 b-tagged jets
- Background: dominated by tt+jets (modeled with MC@NLO).
- Strategy:
  - Loose event selection to maximize signal acceptance.
  - Consider 3-jet events to help constrain background systematics.
  - Analyze separately four analysis channels (e, μ)x(3 jets, ≥4 jets) and combine at the end.
- Observable: reconstructed heavy quark mass (m<sub>jjj</sub> in 3-jet bin, mass from kinematic fitting in ≥4–jet bin).



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### TT→WbWb (lepton+jets)

- Exploit high-statistics in backgrounddominated "sidebands" to constrain impact of systematic uncertainties (a.k.a. "profiling").
- Dominant systematic uncertainties:
  - Jet energy scale
  - tt modeling: ISR/FSR,
     NLO generator (\*),
     fragmentation model (\*)
  - (\*) Not profiled
- Hypothesis testing: CL<sub>s</sub> method via MCLimit, profiling of (some) systematic uncertainties.
- Limit at 95% C.L.: m<sub>T</sub>>404 GeV (>394 GeV expected)
   Limits under assumption BR(T→Wb)=1 due to b-tagging requirement; perfectly applicable to Y→W<sup>-</sup>b (Q=-4/3).

#### Data in good agreement with background expectation

	$e+\geq 4$ jets	$\mu + \geq 4$ jets
$t\bar{t}$	$4470\pm920$	$5900 \pm 1200$
W+jets	$830\pm580$	$1160\pm790$
Z+jets	$86\pm56$	$83\pm46$
Single top	$262\pm70$	$325\pm79$
Dibosons	$12\pm5$	$17\pm5$
Multi-jet	$320\pm320$	$340\pm340$
Total prediction	$6000 \pm 1100$	$7800 \pm 1400$
Data	6145	8149
$t' \bar{t'} (400  { m GeV})$	$102.0\pm10.5$	$98.1 \pm 11.1$





- Signature:  $I^+I'^- + E_T^{miss} + \ge 2$  jets  $(I, I'=e, \mu)$
- Event pre-selection:
  - =2 opposite-sign leptons: ee,  $\mu\mu$  or  $e\mu$
  - p<sub>T</sub>(e)>25 GeV, p<sub>T</sub>(μ)>20 GeV
  - $\geq 2$  jets with  $p_T > 25$  GeV,  $|\eta| < 2.5$
  - eμ-only: H<sub>T</sub>>130 GeV
  - ee/μμ-only:
    - M<sub>II</sub>>15GeV, |M<sub>II</sub>-M<sub>Z</sub>|>10 GeV
    - E<sub>T</sub><sup>miss</sup>>60 GeV
- Background: dominated by tt+jets (modeled with MC@NLO).
- Strategy:
  - Reconstruct heavy quark mass under collinear approximation.
  - Apply tight final selection to suppress background.
  - No high-statistics sidebands available so no benefit from profiling of systematics.





 Observable: average reconstructed heavy quark mass.

→ exploits small angle between lepton and neutrino in boosted W decays from signal.

- Assume two heavy quarks with the same mass decaying semileptonically.
- Assume  $E_T^{miss}$  entirely comes from v's.
- Perform MINUIT fit allowing for nonzero  $\Delta \eta(I,v)$  and  $\Delta \varphi(I,v)$ .
- Keep solution that minimizes  $|m_{coll1}-m_{coll2}|$  and remove events with  $|m_{coll1}-m_{coll2}|>25$  GeV.





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$m_Q$	Expected	Expe	$\mathbf{ected}$	Observed
(GeV)	Background	Sig	nal	Data
300	$300 \ ^{+40}_{-40}$	95	$^{+14}_{-12}$	315
350	$148 \ ^{+22}_{-18}$	35	$^{+5}_{-4}$	180
400	$75 \ ^{+11}_{-10}$	17.1	$^{+2.5}_{-2.1}$	89
450	$49 \ ^{+8}_{-6}$	8.4	$^{+1.2}_{-1.0}$	57
500	$30 \ ^{+5}_{-4}$	4.4	$^{+0.6}_{-0.5}$	36

Data in good agreement with background expectation

- Further selection cuts to optimize  $S/\sqrt{(S+B)}$ :
  - On plane H<sub>T</sub>+E<sub>T</sub><sup>miss</sup> vs m<sub>coll</sub>
  - On leading jet  $p_T$  and  $E_T^{miss}$
- Main systematics:
  - Jet energy scale
  - tt modeling: ISR/FSR
- Hypothesis testing: CL<sub>s</sub> method via MCLimit, no profiling of systematic uncertainties.
- Limit at 95% C.L.: m<sub>T</sub>>350 GeV (>335 GeV expected) Limits applicable to T→W<sup>+</sup>q (q=d,s,b), B→W<sup>-</sup>q (q=u,c) and Y→W<sup>-</sup>b.
- B-tagging requirement would give improved sensitivity at the expense of greater model-dependence.



 $T\overline{T} \rightarrow tA_0 tA_0 (t\overline{t} + E_T^{miss})$ 



- Signature:  $I + E_T^{miss} + \ge 4$  jets (I=e, $\mu$ )
- Event selection:
  - =1 e/μ, p<sub>T</sub>(e)>25 GeV, p<sub>T</sub>(μ)>20 GeV
     2<sup>nd</sup> lepton/isolated track veto
  - E<sub>T</sub><sup>miss</sup>>100 GeV
  - M<sub>T</sub>(W)>150 GeV
  - $\geq$ 4 jets with p<sub>T</sub>>25 GeV, |η|<2.5
- Background: dominated by dileptonic tt
   (modeled with MC@NLO), followed by
   single-lepton tt
   and W+jets (calibrated to
   data in low M<sub>T</sub>(W) region).
- Strategy:
  - Loose 2<sup>nd</sup> lepton veto to suppress dominant dileptonic tt background.
  - High  $E_t^{miss}$  and  $M_T(W)$  to suppress single-lepton tt and W+jets.
  - Cut-and-count analysis.



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  - Single-lepton backgrounds at high  $M_T(W)$
- Hypothesis testing: Bayesian method using MCLimit.
- Limit at 95% C.L.:  $m_T$ >420 GeV (for  $m_{A0}$ =10 GeV)  $m_T$ >370 GeV (for  $m_{A0}$ =140 GeV) No sensitivity yet for scalar models (~x6 lower  $\sigma$ ).

Search could be applied to  $T\overline{T} \rightarrow WbZt$ , ZtZt̄ (w/ Z $\rightarrow vv$ ) or  $T\overline{T} \rightarrow Wbht$ , htht̄ (h $\rightarrow$ invisible).

#### Data in good agreement with background expectation

Source	Number of events
Dilepton $t\overline{t}$	$62 \pm 15$
Single-lepton $t\overline{t}/W$ +jets	$33.1 \pm 3.8$
Multi-jet	$1.2 \pm 1.2$
Single top	$3.5\pm0.8$
Z+jets	$0.9 \pm 0.3$
Dibosons	$0.9 \pm 0.2$
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## Down-type quarks

### BB→WtWt (lepton+jets)



- Signature:  $I + E_T^{miss} + \ge 6$  jets ( $I=e,\mu$ )
- Event selection:
  - =1 e/μ, p<sub>T</sub>(e)>25 GeV, p<sub>T</sub>(μ)>20 GeV
  - e(μ)+jets: E<sub>T</sub><sup>miss</sup>>35(20) GeV
  - E<sub>T</sub><sup>miss</sup>+M<sub>T</sub>(W)>60 GeV
  - $\geq 6$  jets with  $p_T > 25$  GeV,  $|\eta| < 2.5$
- Background: dominated by tt+jets (modeled with ALPGEN up to 3 explicit partons).
   W+jets next most important background.
- Strategy:
  - High jet multiplicity requirement to suppress background.
  - Identify high-p<sub>T</sub> W→qq̄' bosons via invariant mass of nearby jets.



### BB→WtWt (lepton+jets)

- Hadronic W boson identification:
  - Consider jet pairs with  $\Delta R(j,j) < 1.0$ .
  - Count number of such jet pairs with invariant mass in 70-100 GeV range (N<sub>W</sub>).
  - → ~80% efficient for W→jj decays with p<sub>T</sub>(W)>250 GeV.
- Background modeling validated in several signal-depleted control samples.





### BB→WtWt (lepton+jets)

- Observable: distribution of number of hadronic W boson candidates (0,1,≥2) in 3 different N<sub>jet</sub> bins (6, 7, ≥8).
- Dominant systematic uncertainties:
  - W+jets normalization
  - tī modeling: ISR/FSR,
  - Jet energy scale (\*)
     (\*) Not profiled
- Hypothesis testing: CL<sub>s</sub> method via MCLimit, profiling of (some) systematic uncertainties.
- Limit at 95% C.L.:  $m_B>480 \text{ GeV} (>470 \text{ GeV expected})$ Limits applicable to  $B \rightarrow W^-t$  (Q=-1/3) and  $X \rightarrow W^+t$  (Q=+5/3).

#### Data in good agreement with background expectation



### BB→WtWt (SS dilepton+jets)



- Signature:  $I^{\pm}I'^{\pm} + E_T^{miss} + \ge 2$  jets  $(I, I'=e, \mu)$
- Event pre-selection:
  - ≥2 same-sign leptons: ee, μμ or eμ
  - p<sub>T</sub>(e)>25 GeV, p<sub>T</sub>(μ)>20 GeV
  - $\geq 2$  jets with  $p_T > 20$  GeV,  $|\eta| < 2.5$
  - ee/ $\mu\mu$  only: M<sub>II</sub>>15GeV, |M<sub>II</sub>-M<sub>Z</sub>|>10 GeV
  - $E_T^{miss} > 40 \text{ GeV}$
  - H<sub>T</sub>>350 GeV
- Backgrounds:
  - Physics: dibosons (real leptons)
  - Instrumental: tt+jets, W+jets (one fake lepton or charge flip)
    - $\rightarrow$  estimated from data
- Strategy:
  - Low-background search, main issue is accurate instrumental bckg estimation.
  - Cut-and-count analysis.



### BB→WtWt (SS dilepton+jets)

- Observable: total yield after selection.
   Analyze separately different lepton channels as well as charge configurations (l<sup>+</sup>l<sup>+</sup> background > l<sup>-</sup>l<sup>-</sup> background).
- Dominant systematic uncertainties:
  - Jet energy scale and resolution
  - Fake lepton background
  - Charge flip background

#### Data in good agreement with background expectation

	$e^+e^+$	$\mu^+\mu^+$	$e^+\mu^+$
Fake	$0.8 \pm 0.6^{+0.2}_{-0.4}$	$1.0 \pm 0.3^{+0.6}_{-0.4}$	$3.3 \pm 1.1^{+1.6}_{-1.4}$
Charge flip	$0.3 \pm 0.1^{+0.3}_{-0.1}$	$0\pm0^{+0.01}_{-0.0}$	$0.4 \pm 0.1^{+0.3}_{-0.1}$
Real	$1.9\pm0^{+0.7}_{-1.5}$	$1.6\pm0^{+0.7}_{-0.9}$	$4.4\pm0^{+1.3}_{-3.1}$
Total	$3.0 \pm 0.6^{+0.8}_{-1.5}$	$2.6\pm0.3^{+0.9}_{-1.1}$	$8.1 \pm 1.1^{+2.2}_{-3.4}$
Data	2	1	10
$b'~450~{ m GeV}$	$1.8\pm0\pm0.3$	$2.7\pm0\pm0.4$	$5.0\pm0\pm0.7$
	$e^-e^-$	$\mu^-\mu^-$	$e^-\mu^-$
Fake	$e^-e^ 0.2 \pm 0.3 \pm 0.1$	$\mu^-\mu^-$ 0.7 $\pm$ 0.3 $^{+0.6}_{-0.3}$	$\frac{e^-\mu^-}{0.5\pm0.2^{+0.7}_{-0.3}}$
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- Observable: total yield after selection.
   Analyze separately different lepton channels as well as charge configurations (I<sup>+</sup>I<sup>+</sup> background > I<sup>-</sup>I<sup>-</sup> background).
- Dominant systematic uncertainties:
  - Jet energy scale and resolution
  - Fake lepton background
  - Charge flip background
- Hypothesis testing: CL<sub>s</sub> method via Collie, no profiling of systematic uncertainties.
- Limit at 95% C.L.:  $m_B>450 \text{ GeV} (>450 \text{ GeV expected})$ Limits applicable to  $B \rightarrow W^-t$  (Q=-1/3) and  $X \rightarrow W^+t$  (Q=+5/3).

→ comparable sensitivity to lepton+jets!

#### Data in good agreement with background expectation

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Fake	$e^-e^ 0.2 \pm 0.3 \pm 0.1$	$\frac{\mu^-\mu^-}{0.7\pm0.3^{+0.6}_{-0.3}}$	$\frac{e^-\mu^-}{0.5\pm0.2^{+0.7}_{-0.3}}$
Fake Charge flip	$\begin{array}{c} e^-e^-\\ 0.2\pm 0.3\pm 0.1\\ 0.3\pm 0.1^{+0.3}_{-0.1}\end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} \mu^{-}\mu^{-} \\ 0.7 \pm 0.3 \substack{+0.6 \\ -0.3 \\ 0 \pm 0 \substack{+0.01 \\ -0} \end{array}$	$\frac{e^-\mu^-}{0.5\pm0.2^{+0.7}_{-0.3}}\\ 0.3\pm0.1^{+0.2}_{-0.1}$
Fake Charge flip Real	$\begin{array}{c} e^-e^-\\ 0.2\pm 0.3\pm 0.1\\ 0.3\pm 0.1^{+0.3}_{-0.1}\\ 0.8\pm 0^{+0.3}_{-0.6}\end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} \mu^{-}\mu^{-} \\ 0.7 \pm 0.3 \substack{+0.6 \\ -0.3} \\ 0 \pm 0 \substack{+0.01 \\ -0} \\ 1.0 \pm 0 \substack{+0.4 \\ -0.6} \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} e^-\mu^- \\ 0.5\pm 0.2\substack{+0.7\\-0.3}\\ 0.3\pm 0.1\substack{+0.2\\-0.1}\\ 2.3\pm 0\substack{+0.8\\-1.9} \end{array}$
Fake Charge flip Real Total	$\begin{array}{c} e^-e^-\\ 0.2\pm0.3\pm0.1\\ 0.3\pm0.1^{+0.3}_{-0.1}\\ 0.8\pm0^{+0.3}_{-0.6}\\ 1.4\pm0.3^{+0.4}_{-0.6}\end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} \mu^{-}\mu^{-} \\ 0.7 \pm 0.3 \substack{+0.6 \\ -0.3} \\ 0 \pm 0 \substack{+0.01 \\ -0} \\ 1.0 \pm 0 \substack{+0.4 \\ -0.6} \\ 1.7 \pm 0.3 \pm 0.7 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{r} e^-\mu^- \\ 0.5\pm 0.2\substack{+0.7\\-0.3}\\ 0.3\pm 0.1\substack{+0.2\\-0.1}\\ 2.3\pm 0\substack{+0.8\\-1.9}\\ 3.1\pm 0.2\substack{+1.1\\-1.9} \end{array}$
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# tt Resonances

### tt Resonances: Introduction

- Many models of New Physics predict tt resonances.
   Current searches focus on two benchmarks:
  - Leptophobic Topcolor Z' as proxy for "narrow" resonances.
  - Randall-Sundrum KK gluon as proxy for "wide" resonances.
- For very massive resonances W boson and even top decay products can be reconstructed as single "fat jet" ("boosted topology").
- Searches presented here correspond to (mostly) "resolved topologies".
  - Similar acceptance to "boosted topologies" beyond ~1 TeV, much higher acceptance for lower masses.
  - Acceptance drops at high mass because of lepton isolation (both types of searches).



### tt Resonances (lepton+jets)



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- Signature:  $I + E_T^{miss} + \ge 4$  jets (I=e, $\mu$ )
- Event selection:
  - =1 e/μ, p<sub>T</sub>(e/μ)>25 GeV
  - e+jets: E<sub>T</sub><sup>miss</sup>>35 GeV, M<sub>T</sub>(W)>25 GeV
  - $\mu$ +jets: E<sub>T</sub><sup>miss</sup>>20 GeV, E<sub>T</sub><sup>miss</sup>+M<sub>T</sub>(W)>60 GeV
  - If one jet has mass m<sub>jet</sub>>60 GeV:
     ≥3 jets with p<sub>T</sub>>25 GeV, |η|<2.5</li>

else

- $\geq$ 4 jets with p<sub>T</sub>>25 GeV, |η|<2.5
- Leading jet  $p_T$ >60 GeV
- ≥1 b-tagged jets
- Background: dominated by tt+jets (modeled with MC@NLO).



	Electron channel	Muon channel
tī	7830 ±750	10000 ± 960
Single top	470 ± 50	$570 \pm 60$
W plus jets	$1120 \pm 540$	$1450 \pm 700$
Z plus jets	$85 \pm 40$	90 ± 45
Diboson	18 ± 1	18 ± 1
Multijet	$350 \pm 170$	$470 \pm 240$
Total expected	9860 ± 940	12600 ± 1210
Data observed	9622	12706
Z', m = 800  GeV	200	224
$g_{\rm KK}, m = 1300 {\rm GeV}$	59	65

### tī Resonances (lepton+jets)

- tt Mass reconstruction:
  - $p_z(v)$  via W mass constraint (quadratic eq):
    - If no real solution, E<sub>T</sub><sup>miss</sup> adjusted to get null discriminant
    - If two solutions, pick smallest  $|p_z(v)|$
  - Events without a jet with m<sub>jet</sub>>60 GeV
    - $\rightarrow$  no assignment of jets to top or anti-top:
    - 3 or 4 hardest jets added to leptonic W
    - Jets compatible with ISR (far from other objects) excluded
  - Events with a jet with  $m_{iet}$  >60 GeV:
    - Form hadronic top quark candidate by combining massive jet with closest jet
    - Form leptonic top quark candidate by combining leptonic W with closest jet
- Dominant shape systematic uncertainties:
  - B-tagging efficiency (~16-19%)
  - Jet energy scale (3-4%)
  - ISR/FSR (8.5%)



0.1

0.05

-1000

1000

500

### tt Resonances (lepton+jets)



Hypothesis testing: Bayesian method

#### Leptophobic Z' (Γ/M=1.2%)







#### **KK Gluon**



### tī Resonances (dilepton+jets)



- Signature:  $I^+I'^- + E_T^{miss} + \ge 2$  jets  $(I, I'=e, \mu)$
- Event pre-selection:
  - =2 opposite-sign leptons: ee, μμ or eμ
  - p<sub>T</sub>(e)>25 GeV, p<sub>T</sub>(μ)>20 GeV
  - $\geq$ 2 jets with p<sub>T</sub>>25 GeV, |η|<2.5
  - $e\mu$ -only:  $H_T$ >130 GeV
  - ee/μμ-only:
    - M<sub>II</sub>>15GeV, |M<sub>II</sub>-M<sub>Z</sub>|>10 GeV
    - $E_t^{miss} > 40 \text{ GeV}$
- Background:
  - Dominated by tt+jets (modeled with MC@NLO).
  - Z+jets background normalized using data-driven techniques.



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### tt Resonances (dilepton+jets)

- tt mass reconstruction not possible due to missing neutrinos.
  - → Use  $H_T$ + $E_T^{miss}$  as observable instead.
- Dominant shape syst. uncertainties:
  - Jet energy scale
  - tt modeling: ISR/FSR,
     NLO generator,
     fragmentation model
- Hypothesis testing: Bayesian method

Expected

0.80

0.88

0.95

1.02

Mass Limit (TeV)

Observed

0.84

0.88

0.92

0.96

• Limits at 95% C.L.:

 $g_{qqg_{KK}}/g_s$ 

-0.20

-0.25

-0.30

-0.35



### **Summary and Conclusions**

- Wide range of searches for pair-production of exotic heavy quarks ongoing in ATLAS, reaching sensitivities of ~400-500 GeV with 1 fb<sup>-1</sup> of data at √s= 7 TeV.
   Still, much ground remains to be covered, both in terms of additional search channels as well as combination and interpretation of results.
- Searches for tt
   resonances in (mostly) "resolved topologies" reaching sensitivities to masses up to 1.0 TeV with ≤2 fb<sup>-1</sup> of data at √s= 7 TeV.

   Entering era of "boosted top" analyses.
- Very exciting prospects ahead!
  - Up to x5 increase in statistics from analyses using full 2011 dataset. Also re-optimized/broader scope analyses and new channels!
  - At least 15 fb<sup>-1</sup> at  $\sqrt{s}=8$  TeV by the end of 2012.



# Backup

### **ATLAS Detector**

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• Let's consider the "more generic" scenario of vector-like quarks and take a look at what signatures/scenarios are being probed by the existing dedicated searches.

		T <sub>S</sub>	<b>B</b> <sub>S</sub>	TB <sub>d</sub>	XT <sub>d</sub>	BY <sub>d</sub>
	41 (2Z)	TT	BB	TT,BB	TT	BB
7	41 (1Z)	TT	BB	TT,BB	TT	BB
4 leptons	41 (0Z)	TT	BB	TT,BB	TT,XX	BB
	31 (1Z)	TT	BB	TT,BB	TT	
3 leptons	31 (0Z)	TT	BB	TT,BB	TT,XX	
	$l^{+}l^{-}(1Z)$	TT	BB	TT,BB	TT	BB
OS dileptons 🧖	l+l- (0Z)	TT	BB	TT,BB	TT,XX	BB,YY
SS dileptons ->-	]±]±		BB	BB	XX	

• Of course, some of them are more challenging or powerful than others...

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• <u>Obvious omission</u>: trilepton searches have sensitivity comparable to the most powerful channels and often allow to identify the new quark.

• Let's consider the "more generic" scenario of vector-like quarks and take a look at what signatures/scenarios are being probed by the existing dedicated searches.

		T <sub>s</sub>	<b>B</b> <sub>S</sub>	TB <sub>d</sub>	XT <sub>d</sub>	BY <sub>d</sub>
lepton+jets -	$l^{\pm}(1V_{had},2b)$	TT		TT	TT	YY
	$l^{\pm}$ (>1V <sub>had</sub> ,2b)		BB	BB	XX	
	l± (4b)	TT	BB	TT,BB	TT	
	l± (6b)	TT		TT	TT	
multi-b-jets	Multijet (4b)	TT	BB	TT,BB	TT	BB
	Multijet (6b)	TT	BB	TT,BB	TT	BB

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- <u>Obvious omissions</u>:
  - Searches targeting FCNC decays: Q→Hq, Zq, needed to maximize sensitivity to a VLQ (pure CC decays are ≤25% of total decay rate) and to establish unambiguously VLQ nature of any discovered heavy quark.
  - Multijet/multi-b searches: challenging but very interesting in their own!

### **Producing "Model-Indep" Results?**

- For the most part our searches so far have been, not only model-dependent, but often in the context of unrealistic models, e.g.:
  - Assume BR=1 for particular heavy quark decay modes.
  - Neglect additional signals that would be present in any realistic model (e.g. in 4<sup>th</sup> gen models there are two quarks, not one which in principle can contribute in the signal region depending on the final event selection and observable used).
- Given the large number of possible signatures to explore, it's hard to imagine we can in general design "model-indep" searches for VLQs, but we can sometimes alleviate some of the model assumptions by carefully designing the search.

<u>A good example</u>:  $QQ \rightarrow Zb + X$ 

- Leptonic Z allows to focus on Q decay modes containing Z bosons with small contamination from other decay modes.
- Reconstructed Zb system "enough" to suppress backgrounds and build a sensitive observable so don't really need to look at the "rest of the event".

Designing event selections which are very inefficient for most but a subset of decay modes may also be a way to have a "cleaner" interpretation (e.g. SS dileptons mainly sensitive to B/X quarks, I+6 b-tag searches only sensitive to  $T \rightarrow tH$ , etc).

 In the case of 4<sup>th</sup> gen models, it's possible to relax assumptions on the V<sub>Qq</sub> elements (e.g. by not using b-tagging requirements or producing limits on BR vs m<sub>Q</sub> plane).

### **Towards a Combined Search**

- This seems a better idea than performing "inclusive searches" since:
  - The result is going to be model-dependent anyway.
  - Can make use of existing analysis efforts as inputs.
  - Will at the end have better sensitivity.

But not so quick....

- Since multiple analyses would have to be combined there is a higher degree of coordination required:
  - Ensure orthogonality of selections
  - Ensure all searches use the same set of signals
  - The combination is made difficult unless all searches use similar background predictions (e.g. ttbar MC@NLO vs ALPGEN), assign consistent set of systematics, provide inputs in same format, etc.
- But this may well be a worthy effort as the discovery of exotic heavy quarks may require to combine multiple channels. With or without signals, deriving constraints on model parameter space and/or model discrimination will require the ability to produce such combination.