

Title: Using energy-peaks to measure (new and old) particle masses

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Abstract: <p> I will first analytically show a simple, yet subtle "invariance" of two-body decay kinematics for the case of a massless daughter and a mother particle which is unpolarized and has a *generic* boost distribution in the laboratory frame. Namely, the laboratory frame energy distribution of the massless decay product has a peak, whose location is identical to the (fixed) energy of that particle in the rest frame of the corresponding mother particle. In turn, this value of the energy is a simple function of the other masses involved in the decay.

As a proof of principle of the usefulness of this observation, I will then apply it for measuring the mass of the top quark at the LHC, using simulated data (including experimental effects). In fact, CMS collaboration (in CMS-PAS-TOP-15-002) has recently implemented our method for measuring the top quark mass! Finally, I will show how it can be used to measure all the superpartner masses in a cascade decay chain of the gluino.</p>

USING ENERGY-PEAKS FOR MEASURING (OLD AND NEW) PARTICLE MASSES

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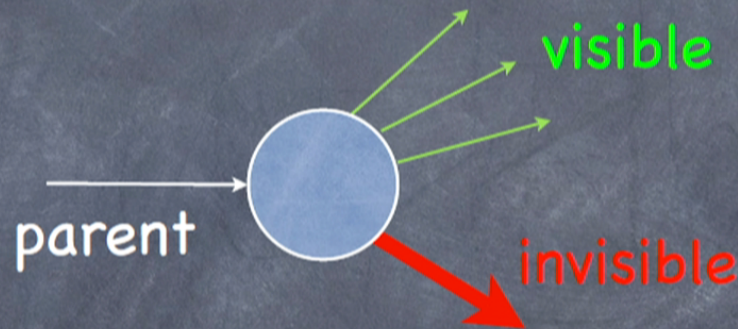
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(with Roberto Franceschini, Sungwoo Hong, Doojin Kim, Kyle Wardlow: 1209.0772; 1212.5230;
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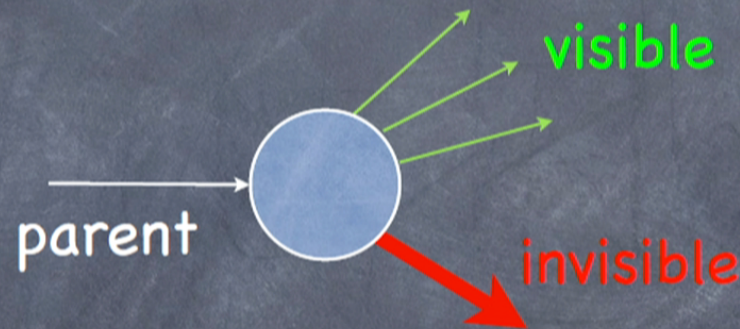
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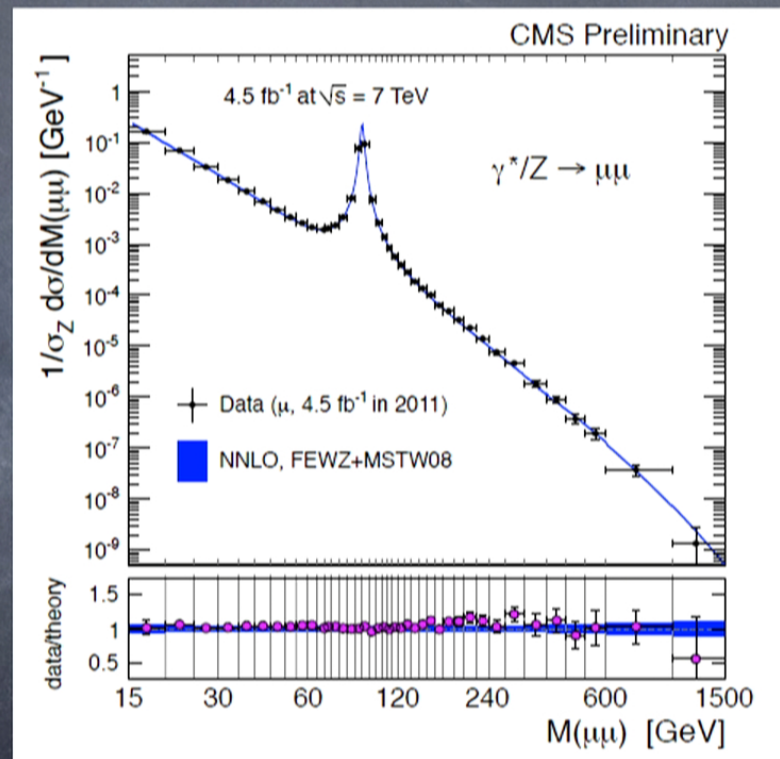
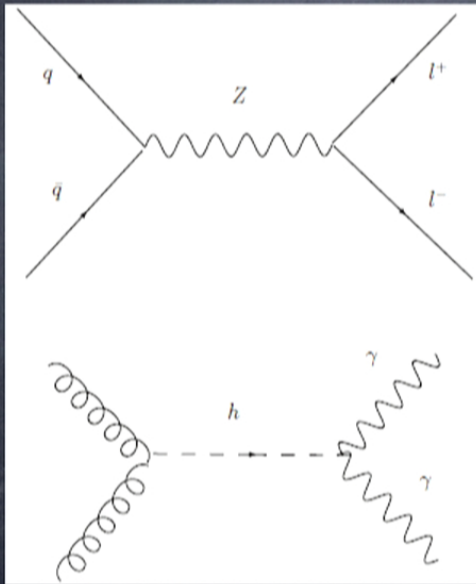
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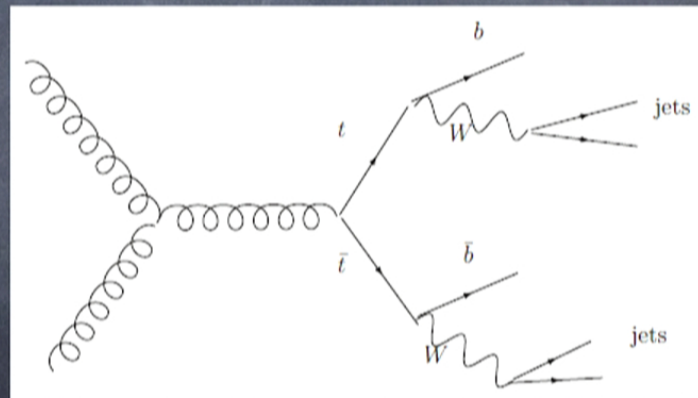
- invariant mass of decay products has Breit-Wigner peak



- have to be “lucky”!

Fully visible II (**not** so easy)

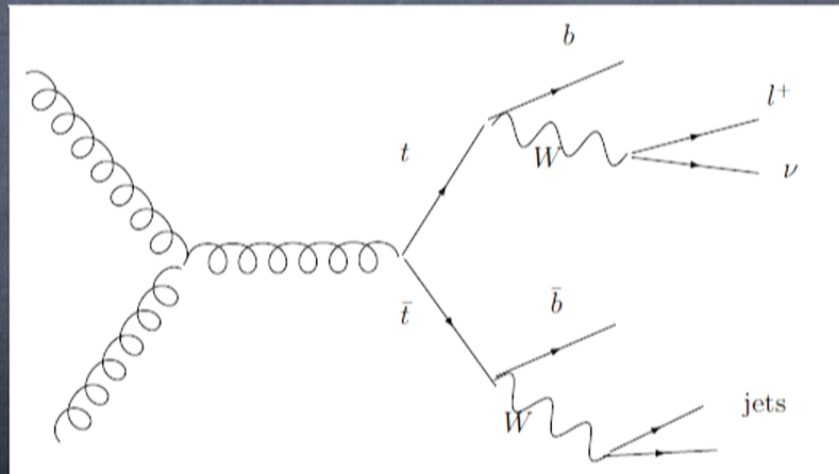
- **fully** hadronic top decay



- problem: **all** jetty + **combinatorics** (**compounded** by jets from initial/final state radiation)

“Partially” visible I (can be reconstructed)

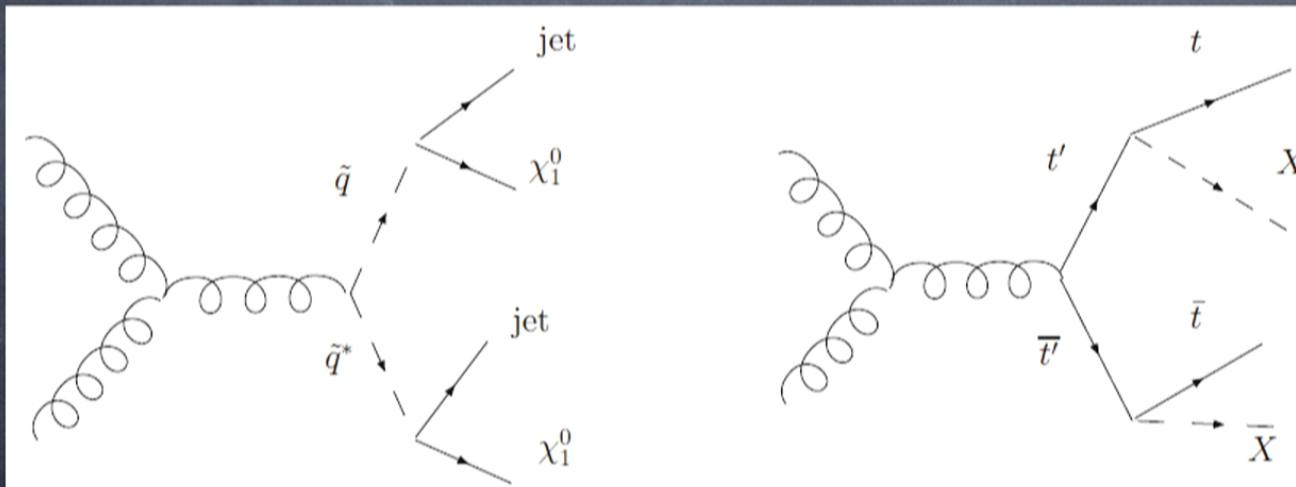
- 1 daughter fully visible, other partially
- semileptonic top decay (“less” jetty)



- still “issues”: discrete ambiguity in reconstructing W ;
uses MET; still combinatorics (which W with which b)...

“Partially” visible II (cannot be reconstructed)

- 1 daughter fully visible, other fully invisible (maybe DM)
- R-parity conserving SUSY, top-partner in T-parity little Higgs models...



- (generalized) transverse mass (M_{T2}): uses MET
- razor: M_R based on (plausible) assumptions about boosts

Bottomline: (in my opinion)
no slam dunk!

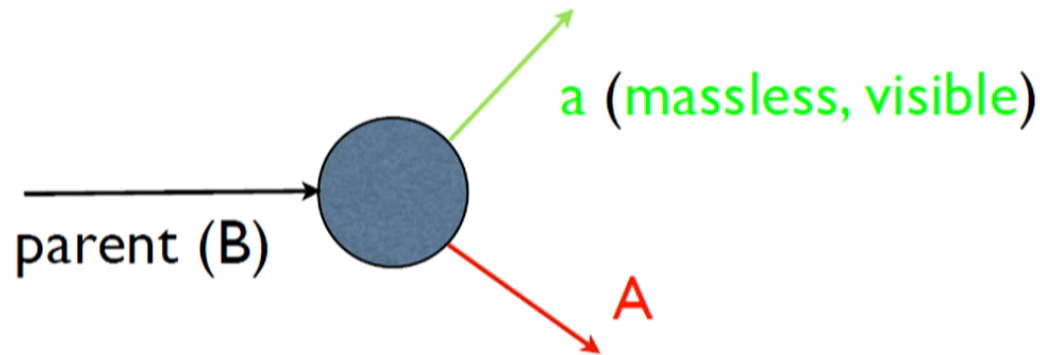
- useful to have **more** techniques, especially simpler; **complementary** (**different** systematics, e.g., **avoid** MET or combinatorics or assumptions about boosts)

NEW OBSERVATION
TECHNIQUE



Basic assumptions

- 2-body decay: one child particle (fully) **visible, massless**:



- ...other (A) **don't** care (except for its **mass**)!
- **unpolarized mother** (all **spin** orientations equal)
- extensions/generalizations later

Energy of child particle

- **mono-chromatic** and **simple** function of masses in **rest** frame of parent:

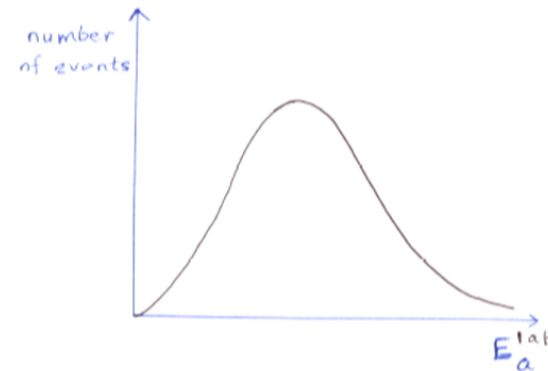
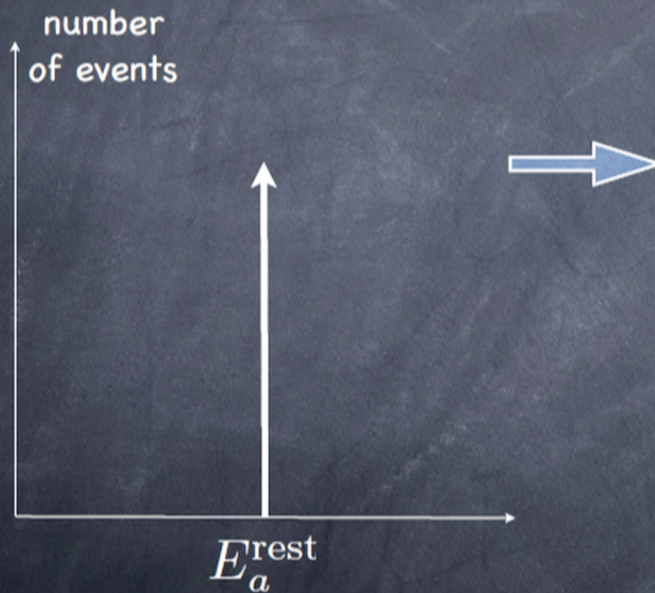
$$E_a^{\text{rest}} = \frac{M_B^2 - M_A^2}{2M_B}$$

- **determine** M_B if M_A known and E_a^{rest} measured

...but **not Lorentz** (parent **boost**)-invariant

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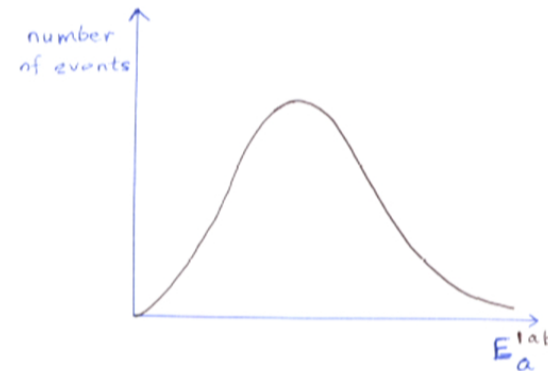
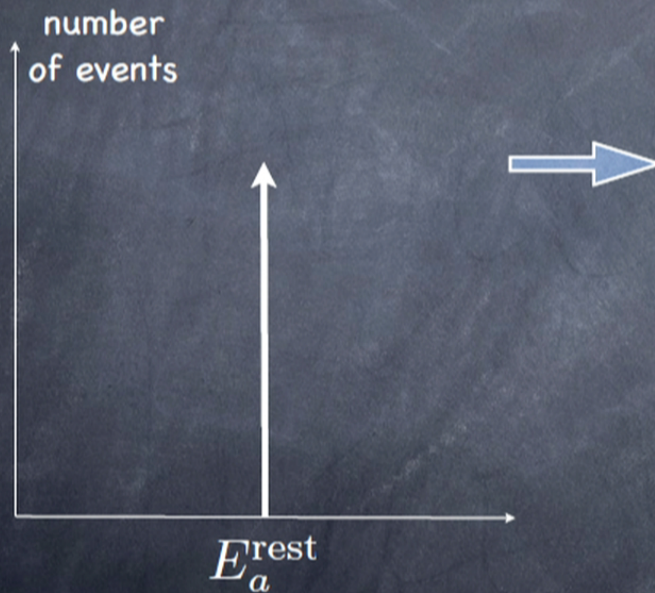
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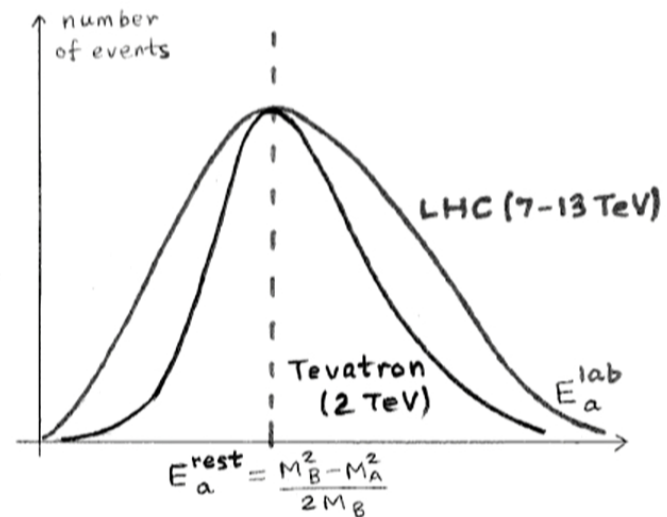


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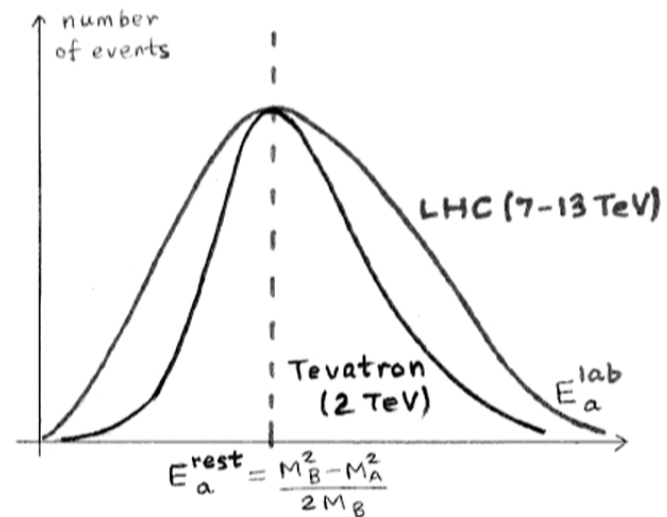
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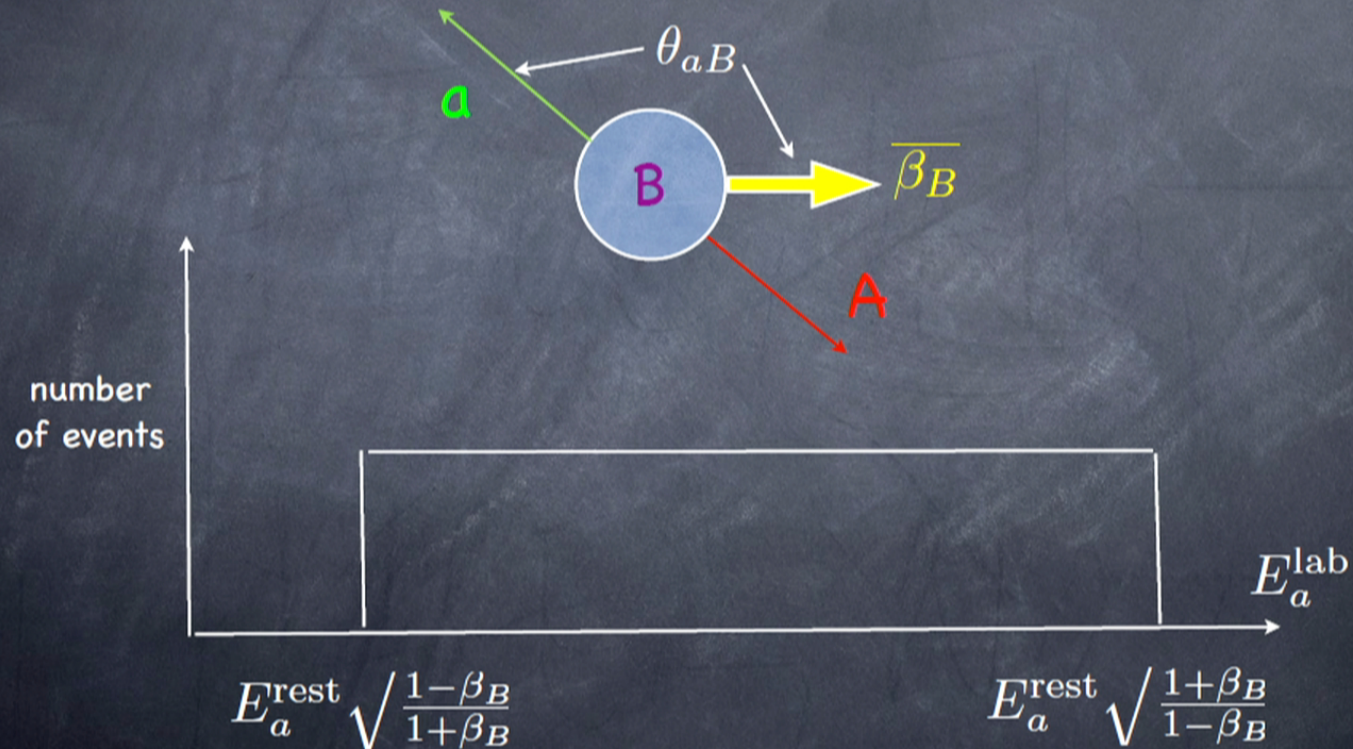
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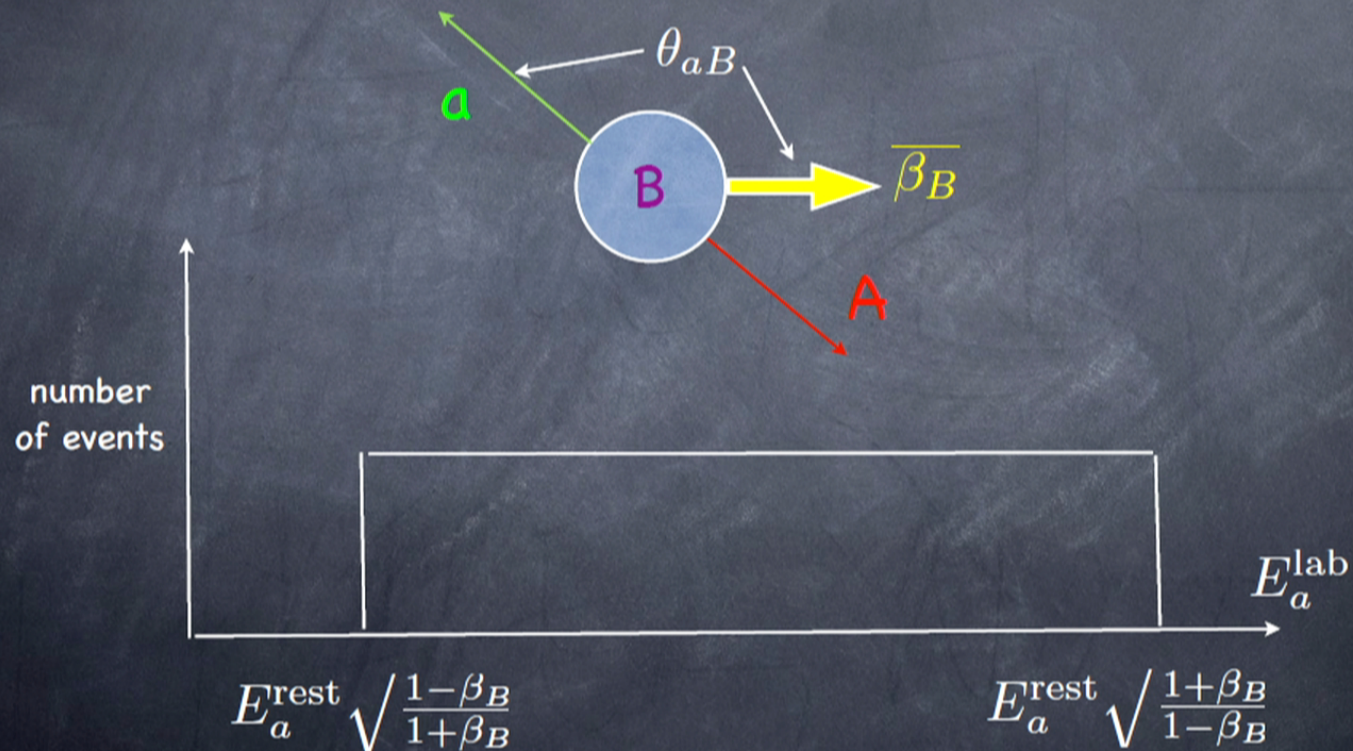
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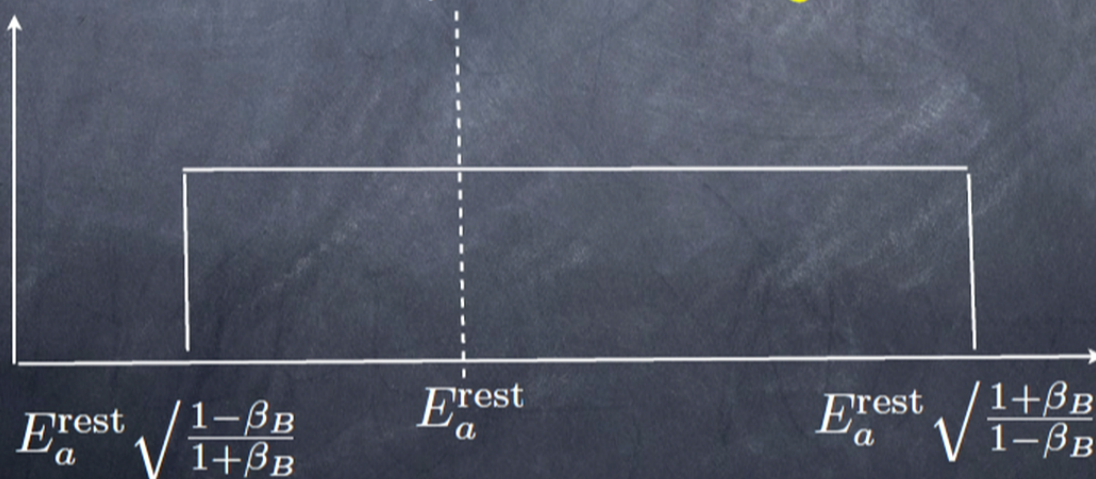
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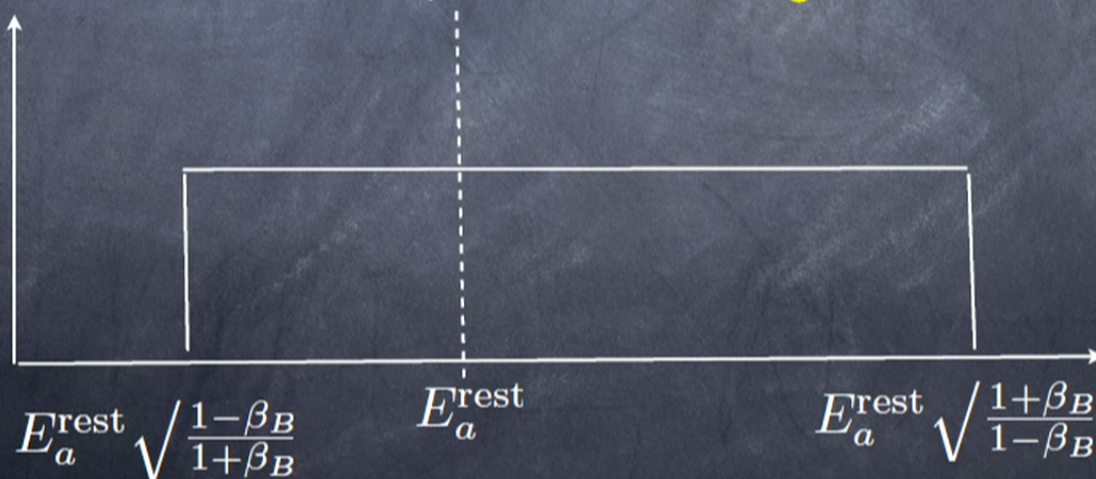
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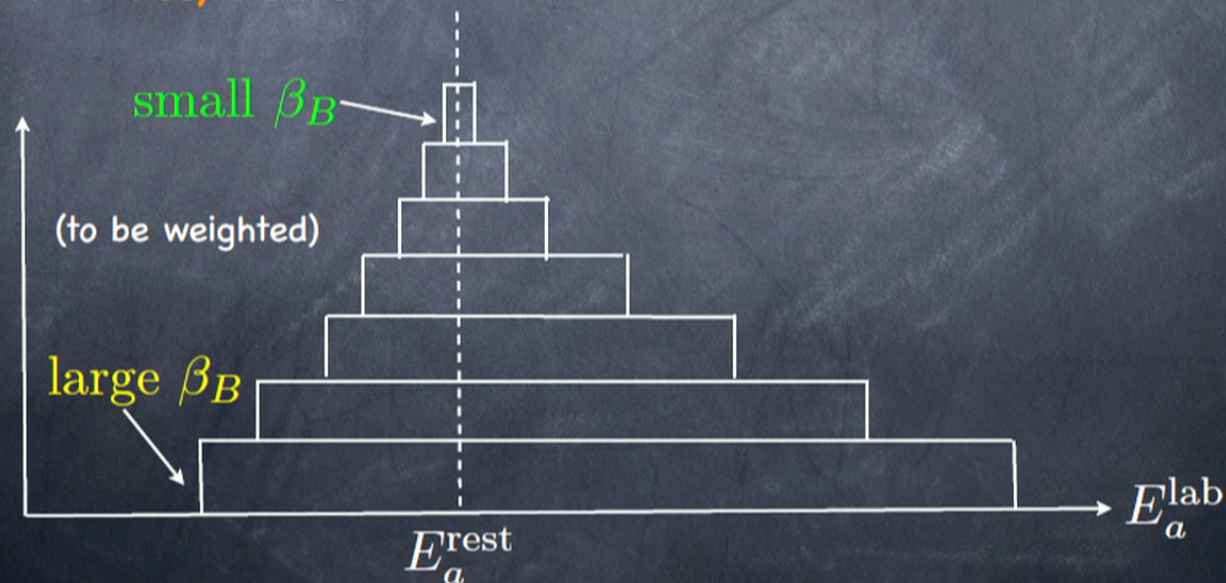
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Boost distributions: I & II



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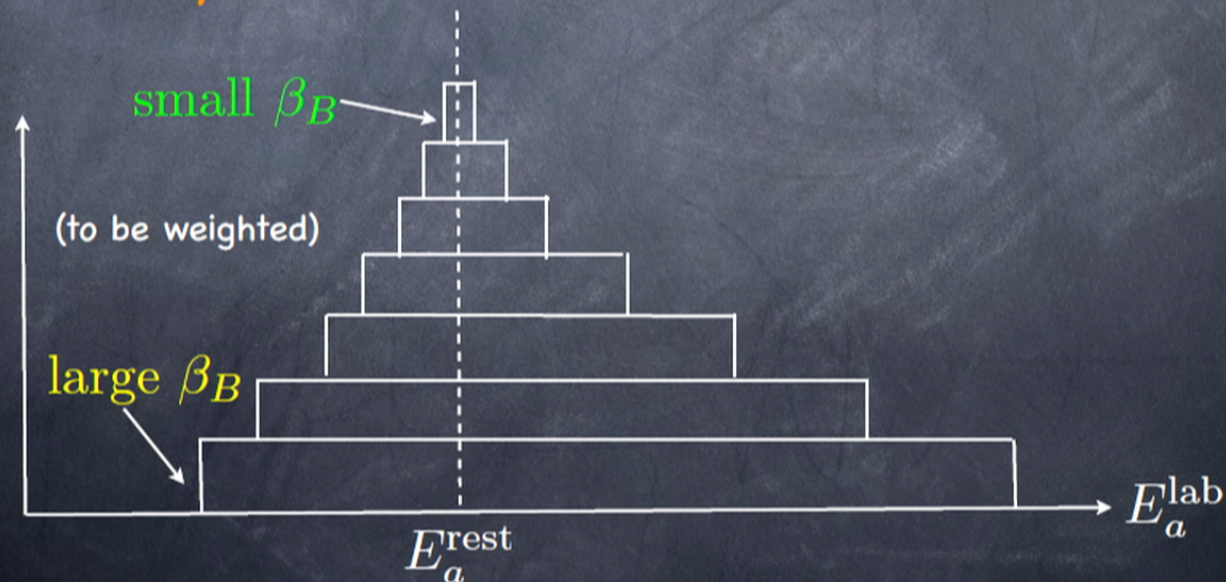


boost distribution for $2 \rightarrow 1$ (next)

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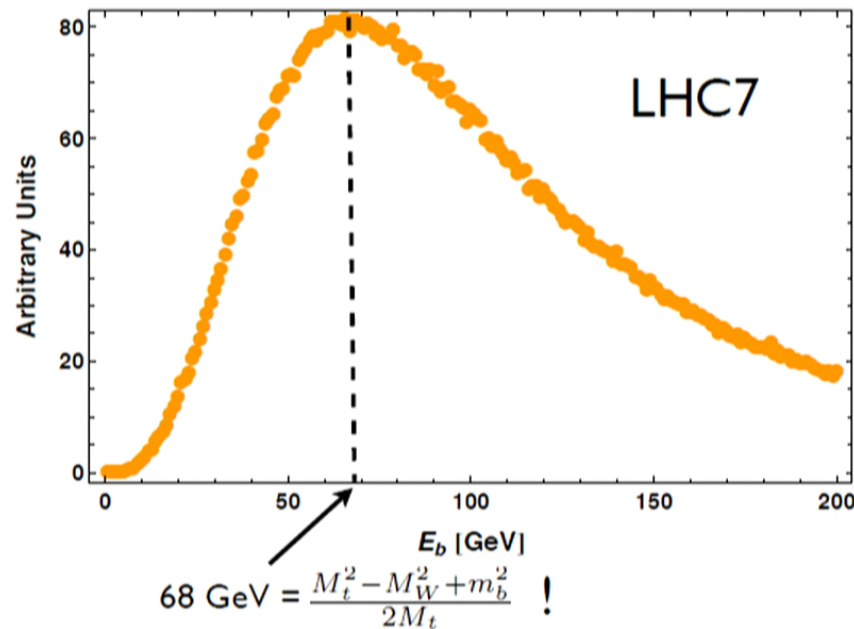
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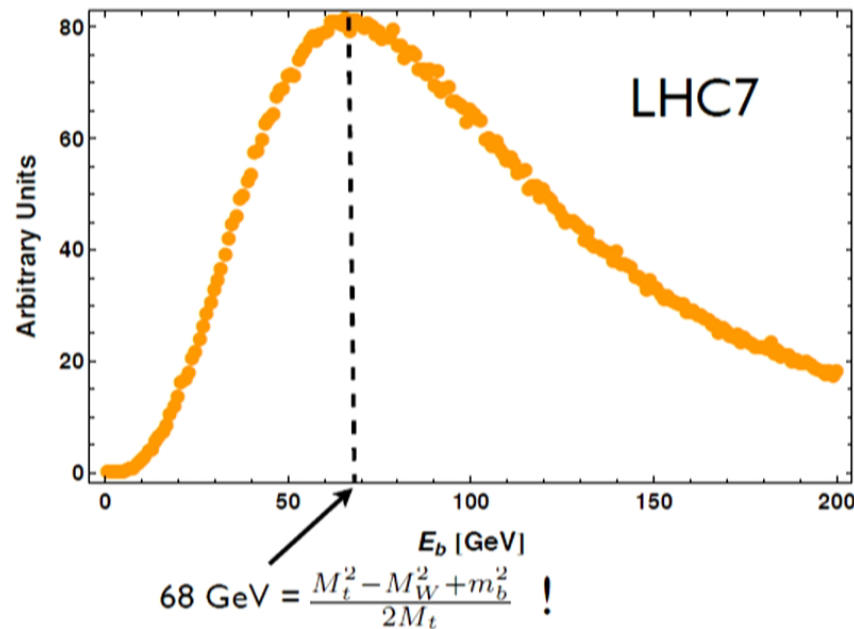


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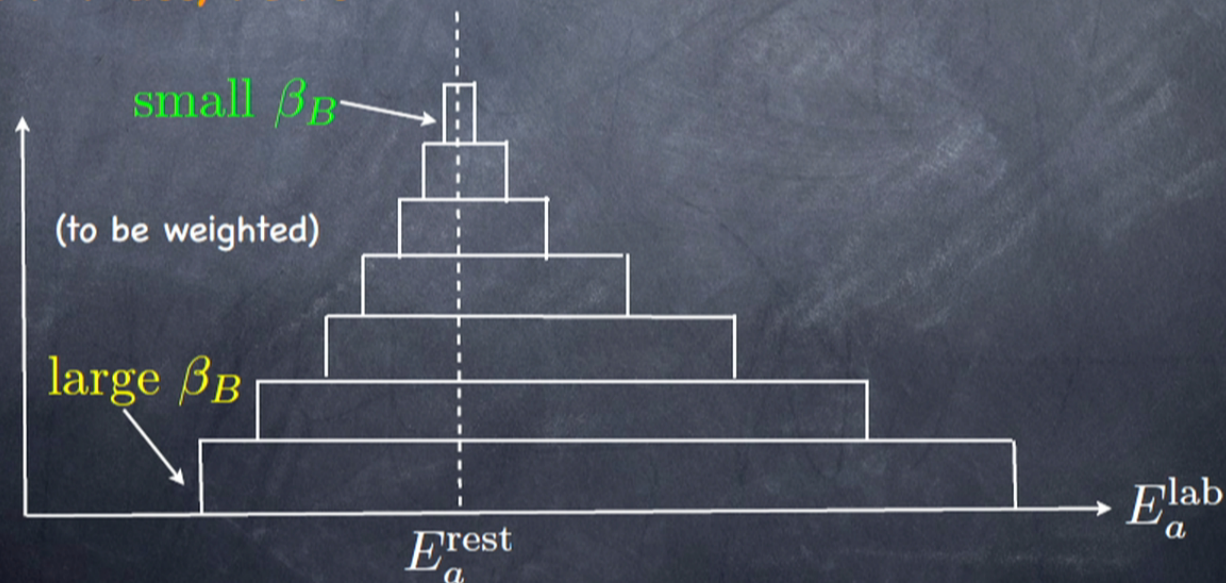
Measuring the peak

- peak can be **wide** (**difficult** to read-off value “by eye”)
- extract peak by fitting to “**theory curve**”:
a la **Breit-Wigner** [**simple (2-parameter)**, analytic,
model-**independent** function]
- ...but exact, **analytic** formula **difficult** to obtain here
(depends on boost distribution, thus PDF’s...)

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Ansatz (based on properties)

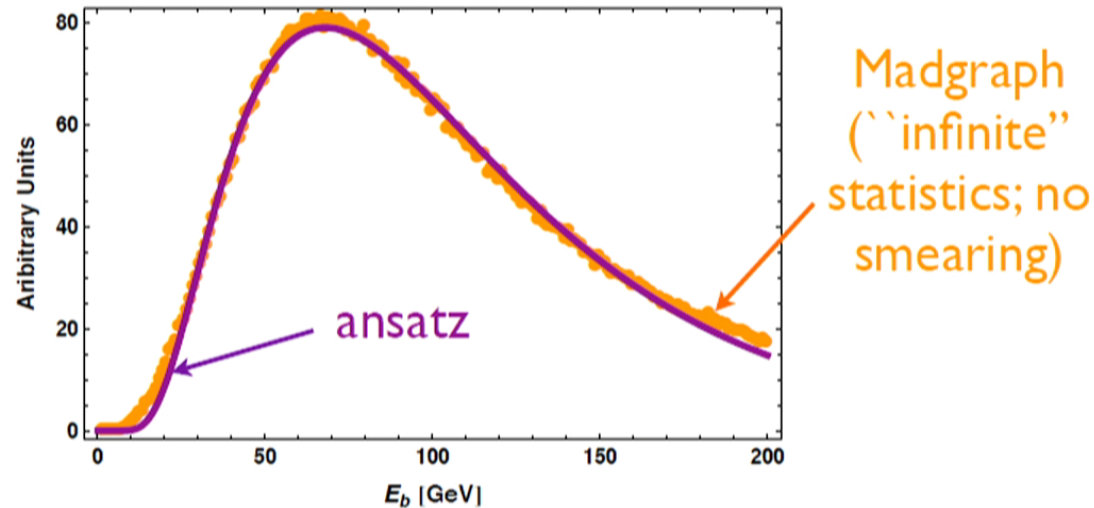
$$f(x) = K_1^{-1}(p) \exp \left[-\frac{p}{2} \left(x + \frac{1}{x} \right) \right]$$

↑
Bessel function (normalization)

width parameter
↓

- simple, but not unique “peak finder”...

“Test” on b-jet energy from top quark decay (production unpolarized...)



- bottom (almost) “massless”: peak does not shift, shape property negligibly violated
- good fit for heavier “top” quark as well: different PDF’s, boost distribution (width parameter encompasses this variation)

"New" Breit-Wigner

(use it to **extract** peak by fitting **data**)

- Based on theory fits, **assume**

$$f(x) = K_1^{-1}(p) \exp \left[-\frac{p}{2} \left(x + \frac{1}{x} \right) \right]$$

(Again) Top quark decay: basic idea

neglect m_b in E_b^{rest}

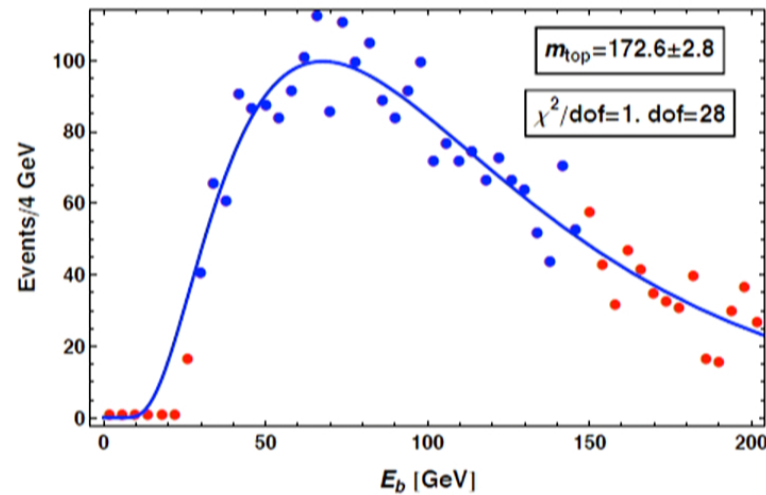
- Peak in measured b-jet energy distribution $\approx \frac{M_t^2 - M_W^2}{2M_t}$
- Assuming M_W (but no need to detect it at all!), get M_t

Top mass measurement: details

- Fully **leptonic** (**opposite** flavor) and 2 b-tags, with 5/fb at LHC7: expect 4000 **S** vs. 200 **B**
- Madgraph \rightarrow Pythia \rightarrow Delphes/Fastjet
- 100 pseudo-experiments
- ATLAS/CMS choice of (**mild**) **cuts**:
1209.2393; **ATLAS-CONF-2012-097**
- **neglected** background

Result

(1 pseudo-experiment shown)

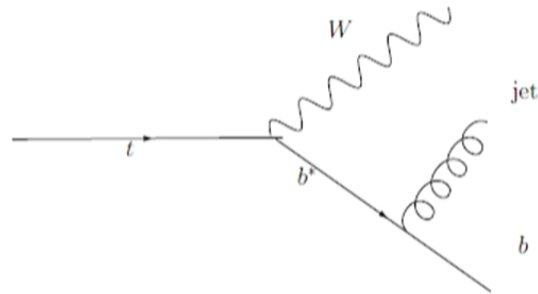


(use only
blue dots)

- consistent with input value
- fitting not spoiled by cuts or detector effects

Discussion

- **neglected hard** radiation from bottom (**3-body**):
suppressed by $\alpha_s/\pi + \text{jet-veto}$ (**calculable** in **QCD**)



(KA, Franceschini, Kim, Schulze:
15xx.yyyyy)

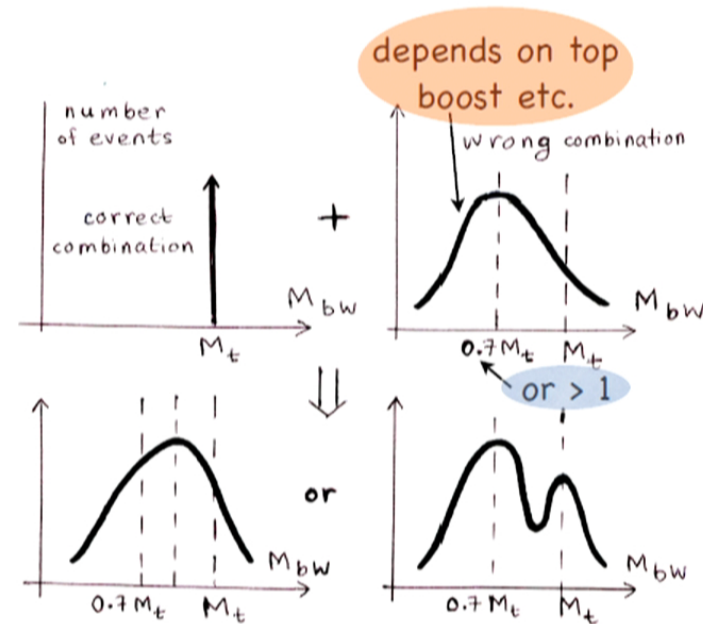
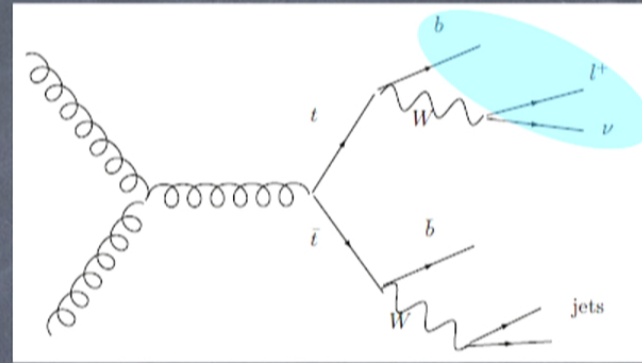
- **safe** from **soft** radiation off of bottom
- **safe** from **initial** state radiation
- **no** combinatorics (include both b's)
- **in**dependent of production mechanism (single or pair; uncertainty in PDF's; new physics or SM) as long as **unpolarized**

On “full” reconstruction of top decay (II)

- ...either way, **cannot** (robustly) measure M_t !
- **existing** analyses: **assume SM** matrix element, compute **entire** distribution \rightarrow M_t valid **only** in SM!

On "full" reconstruction of top decay (I)


- **semi-leptonic** channel...
- **4** solutions (a priori) to top mass in each event:
 - 2** from p_{long}^ν . (W mass constraint **quadratic**) $\times 2$ from which **b** combined with reconstructed W
- only **1 correct**: peaks at M_t
- **wrong** combinations: do **not** peak exactly at M_t ...but "support" is in region of M_t, M_W \rightarrow peak "somewhere" there



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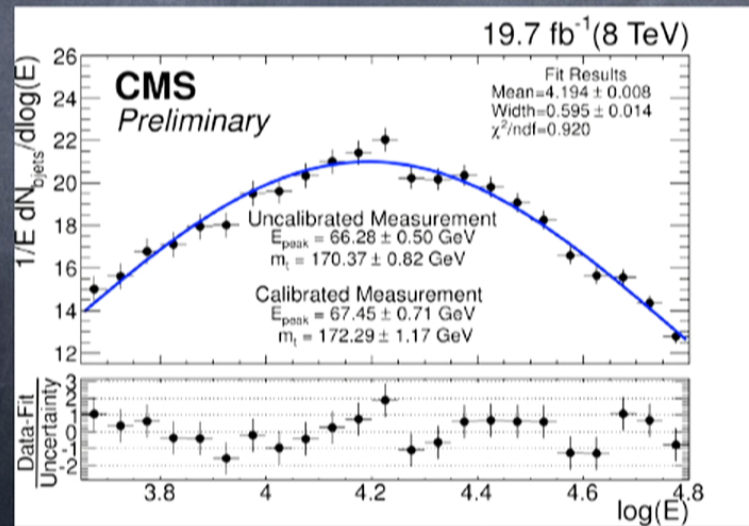
Experimental

- different systematics, e.g., use of MET in some earlier methods (e.g., full reconstruction) vs. not for b-jet energy peak
- Jet energy scale (JES) uncertainty impacts b-jet energy-peak (cf. using leptons)
- use B-decay length as “proxy” for energy: spatial (pixel size etc.) - not energy - resolution matters...

...cut to CMS (real data!)

- implementation on run 1 data in CMS PAS TOP-15-002:
 $m_t = 172.29 \pm 1.17$ (stat.) ± 2.66 (syst.) GeV
- Complementary** to other methods (error ~ 1 GeV)
- Sources of **error**: jet-energy scale; modeling of top p_T
use B-decay length?

higher-order
(theory)
calculation?



- Can **ATLAS** be far behind?!

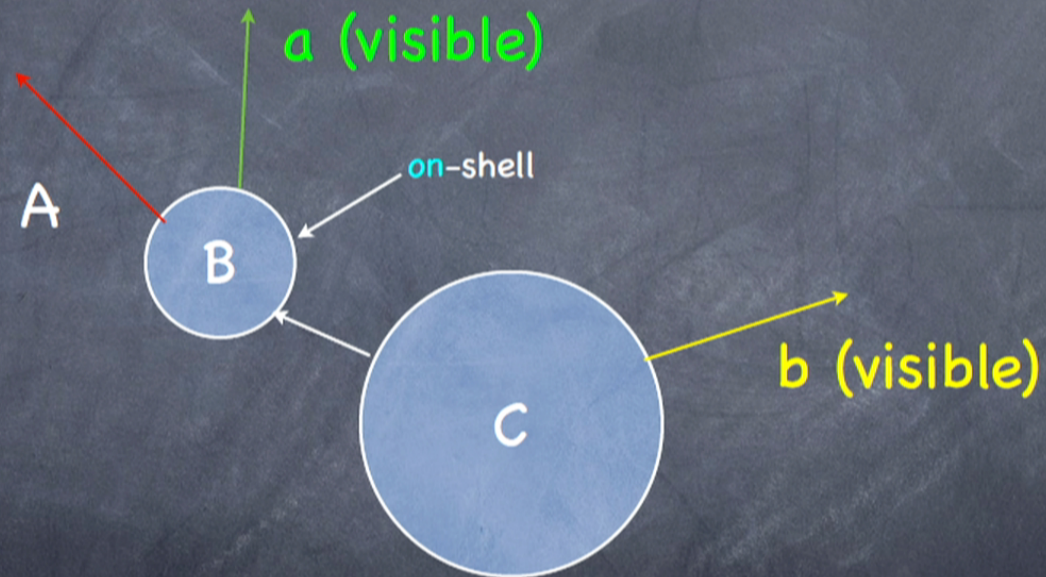
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A **NEW** PHYSICS APPLICATION
(METHOD "TESTED" ON TOP MASS):
CASCADE DECAY

(KA, Franceschini, Kim: 1309.4776)

In **General**: Topology

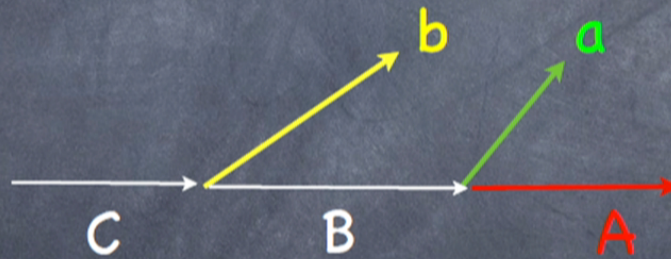
- **Two** 2-body decays: primary (C) and secondary (B) parents)



Two energy peaks

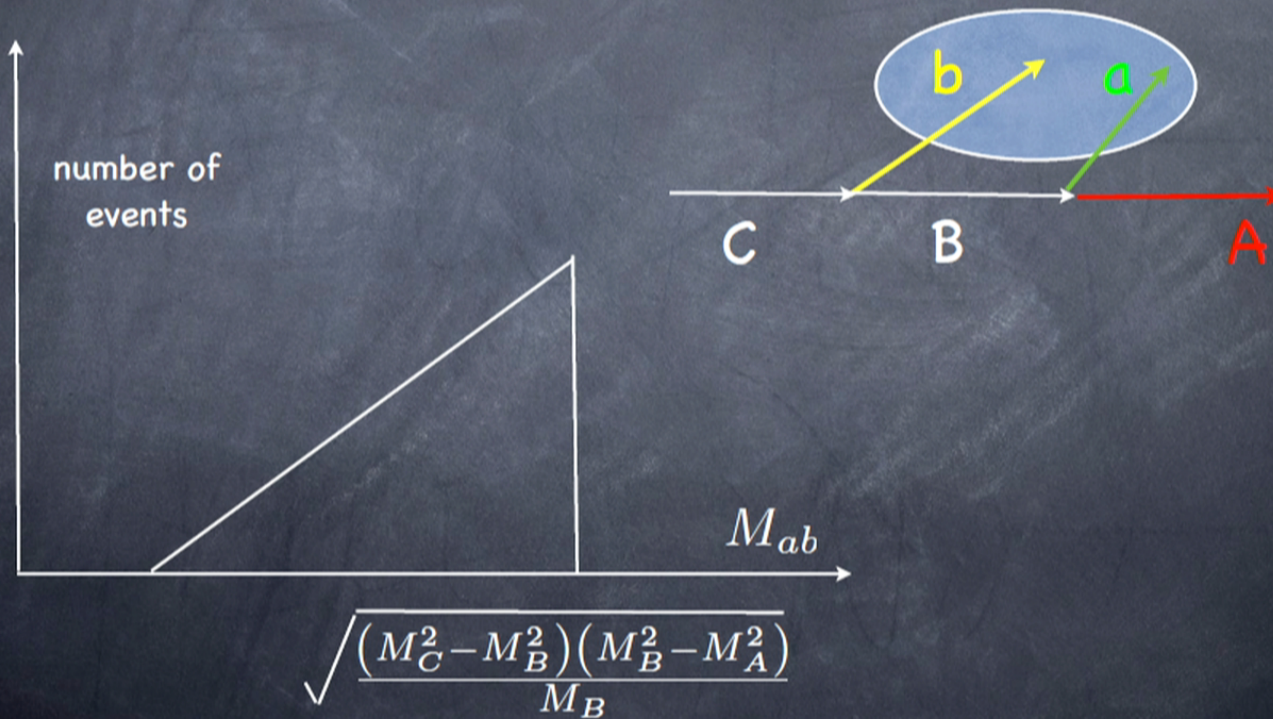
• Based on **new** observation:

$$E_b^{\text{peak}} = \frac{M_C^2 - M_B^2}{2M_C} \quad \text{and} \quad E_a^{\text{peak}} = \frac{M_B^2 - M_A^2}{2M_B}$$



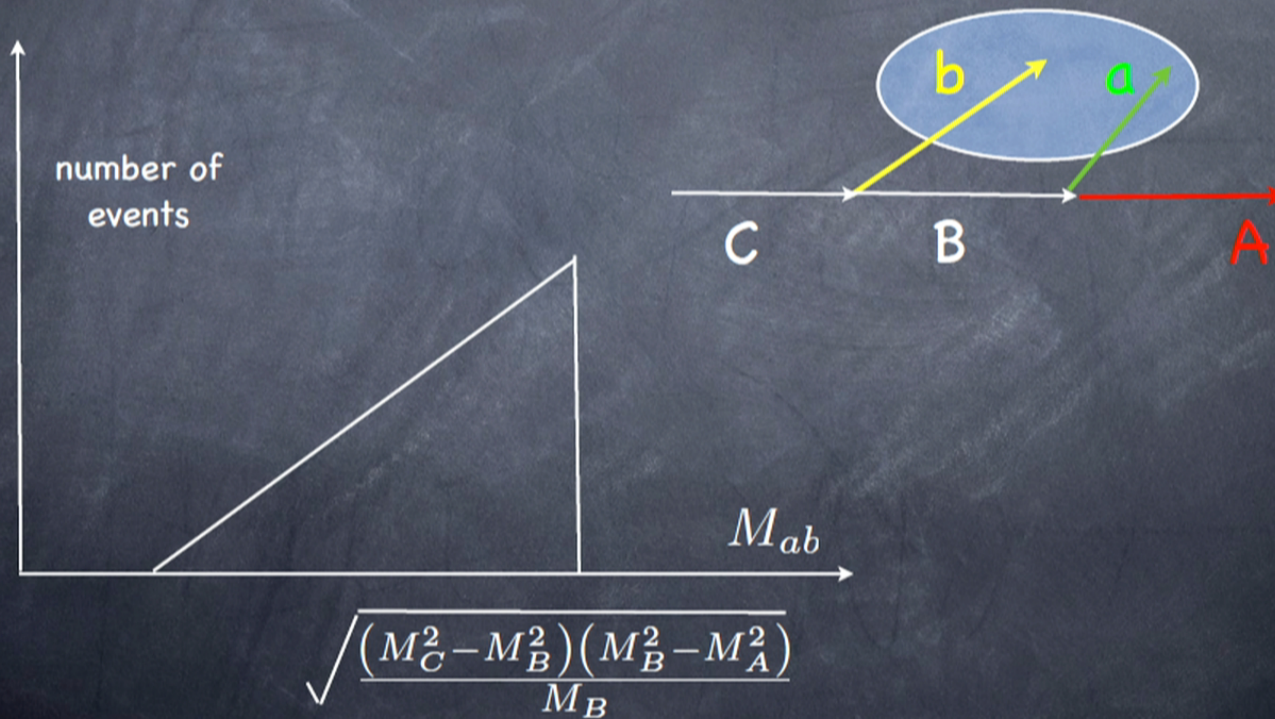
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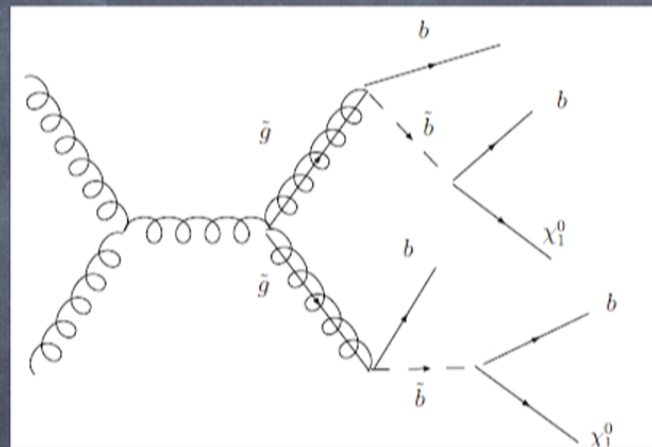
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= 3 (independent)
observables for
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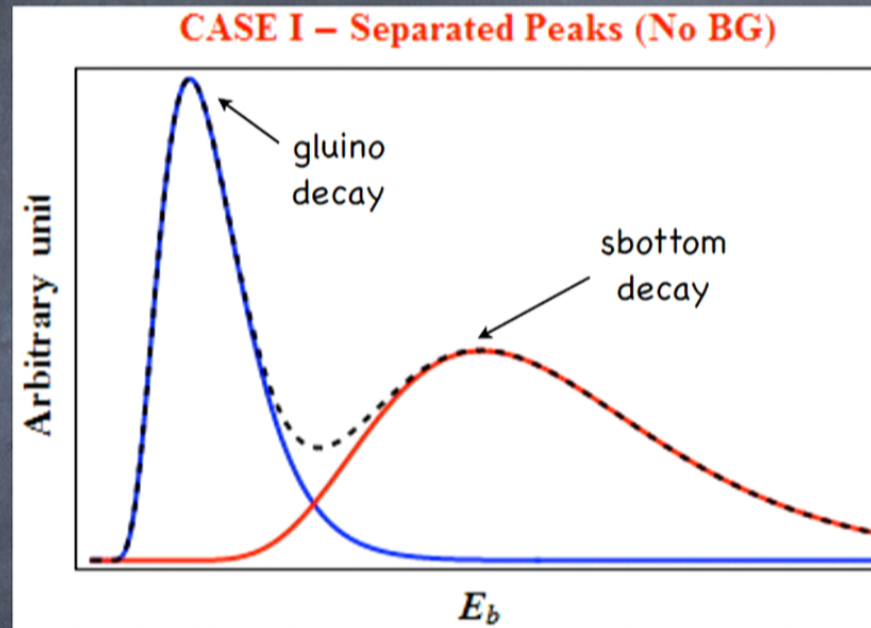
...(in principle) determine invisible particle
mass without measuring MET!

Glauino, sbottom, neutralino



- **natural SUSY**: 1st/2nd generation squarks heavy, stop/sbottom and gluino, Higgsino light

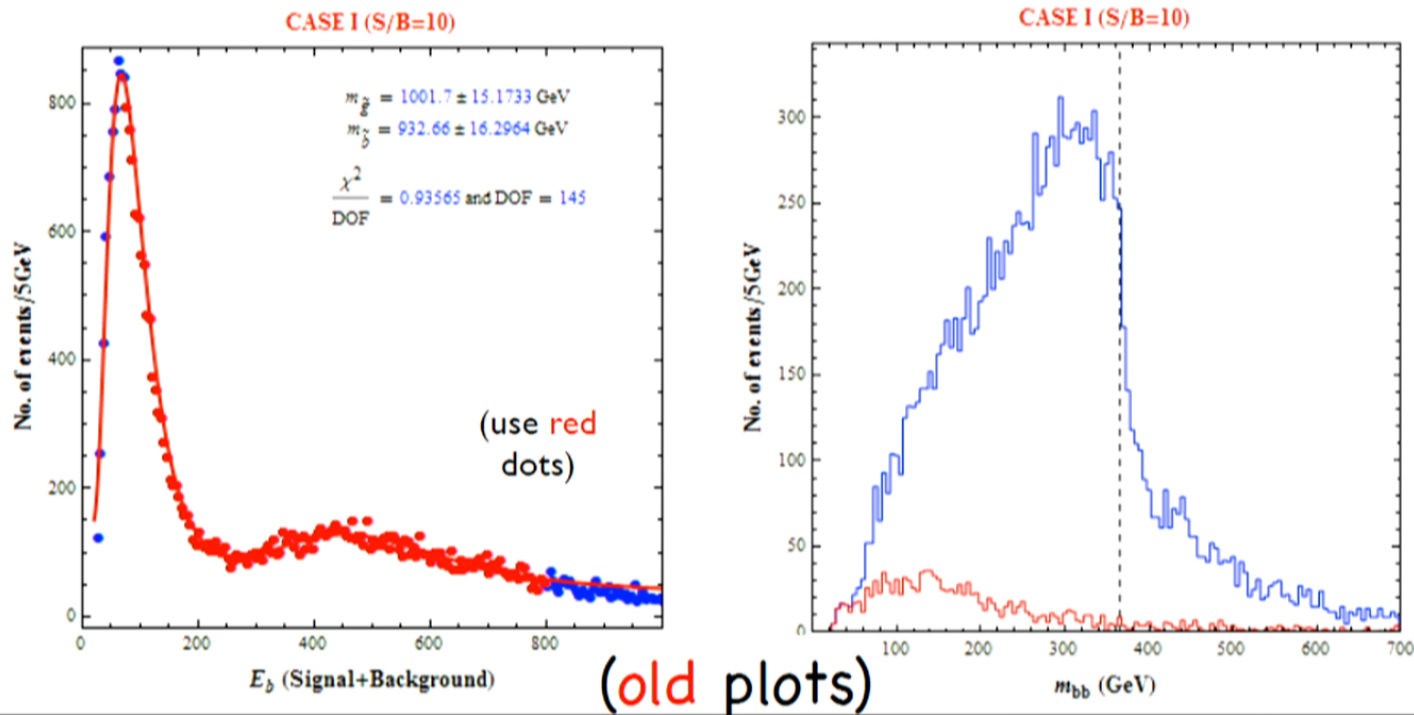
Double (b-jet energy) peak



• mass hierarchy: $M_{\tilde{g}} \approx M_{\tilde{b}} \gg M_{\chi_1^0}$ → “soft” & hard b-jets

Results

- $M_{\tilde{g}} = 1000$ GeV; $M_{\tilde{b}} = 930$ GeV and $M_{\chi_1^0} = 100$ GeV with 300 / fb at LHCI4
- 3 (2 signal + 1 background) **template** fit (assume this model)
- **little** sensitivity to $M_{\chi_1^0}$: $2\sqrt{E_b^{\text{peak } 1} E_b^{\text{peak } 2}} \approx M_{bb}^{\text{max}}$





ansatz/fitting function
works for (boost
distribution of) a
“secondary” parent as
well!

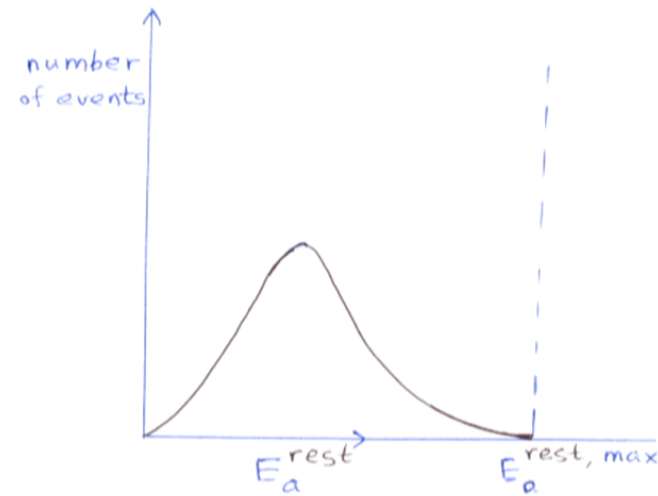
Generalizations

- **Massive** child particle from **2**-body decay:
peak shifts from rest-frame value (in general), but
modified ansatz/fitting function still good
(KA, Franceschini, Hong, Kim: 15xx.yyyyy)
- **Three**-body decay with **2** visible (e.g., **off-shell**
sbottom in gluino decay):
for **fixed** invariant mass of 2 visible, apply **2**-body
result for **massive** child particle
(KA, Franceschini, Kim, Wardlow: 1503.03836)

THREE-BODY DECAY:
ONE VISIBLE
(CANNOT "REDUCE" TO 2-BODY)

Endpoint of distribution in **rest** frame

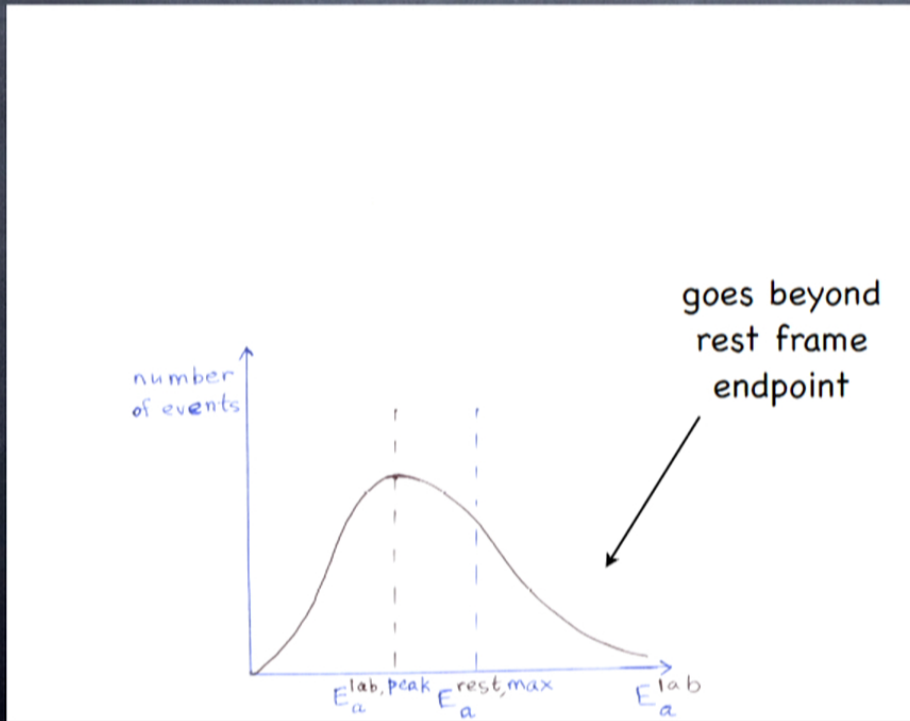
- Endpoint related **simply** to masses



Peak of distribution in lab frame

$$E_a^{\text{lab,peak}} < E_a^{\text{rest,max}}$$

- Obtain **inequality** for masses
- distinguishing Z_3 vs. Z_2 -stabilized dark matter (DM):
decay into 1 visible + **2** vs. **1** DM ("same" final state!)



(KA, Franceschini, Kim, Wardlow:
1212.5230)

Conclusions

- Two body decay of unpolarized parent at hadron colliders:
peak in energy distribution of (massless) child particle same as rest frame energy (simple function of masses)
- Obtain approximation to theory curve (for fitting to data to extract peak)
- Application(s):
top quark mass (as test + for “real”): use b-jet energy/ L
new particles decaying semi-invisibly: extract all masses from cascade decay (e.g., gluino to sbottom...)

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