

# **Gluon Radiation in Top Quark Production and Decay**

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# Gluons and top at lepton colliders

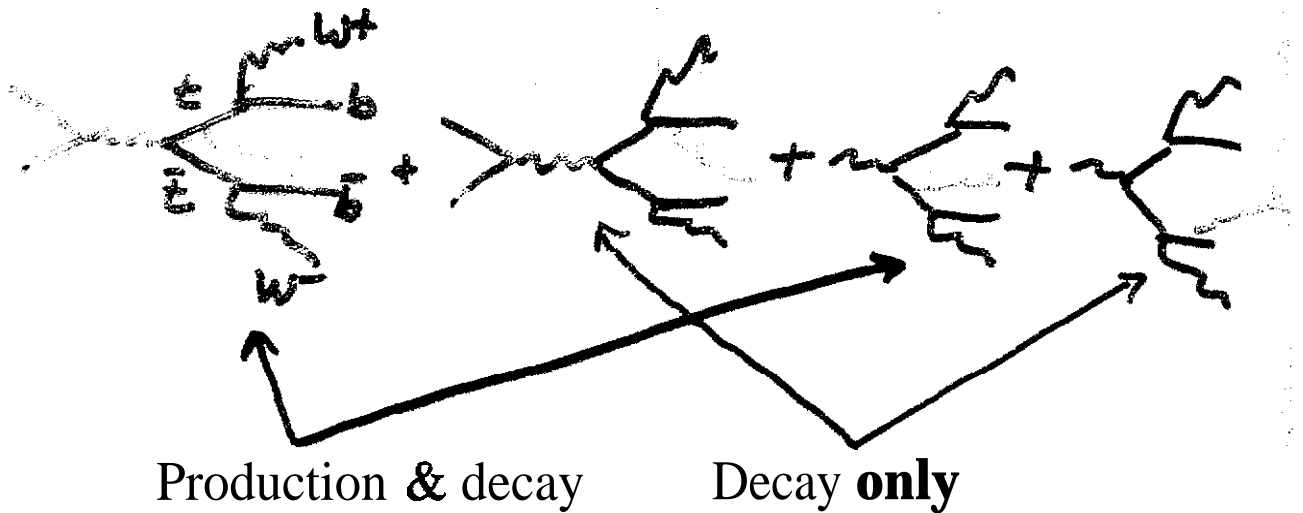
- Future  $e^+e^-$  or  $\mu^+\mu^-$  colliders will provide a relatively clean environment in which to study top physics.

- **Why study gluons?**

- ▷ top event identification
- ▷ mass reconstruction from jets
- ▷ 'fuzziness'  
= systematic effects in anything to do with top

- **Where do gluons come from?**

No gluons from initial state; **but final** state radiation from both top production, **and** decay:



## Preliminary results: $e^+e^- \rightarrow bWbWg$

• **Monte Carlo calculation** includes exact **ME** for **real** gluon emission in top production and decay **with:**

- all spin correlations
- finite width in t propagator
- b mass
- all interferences
- exact kinematics

• **Production-decay decomposition**

• Is mt equal to

$$P_{bW}^2 \text{ or } P_{bWg}^2 ??$$

... what about interference?

• How we distinguish:



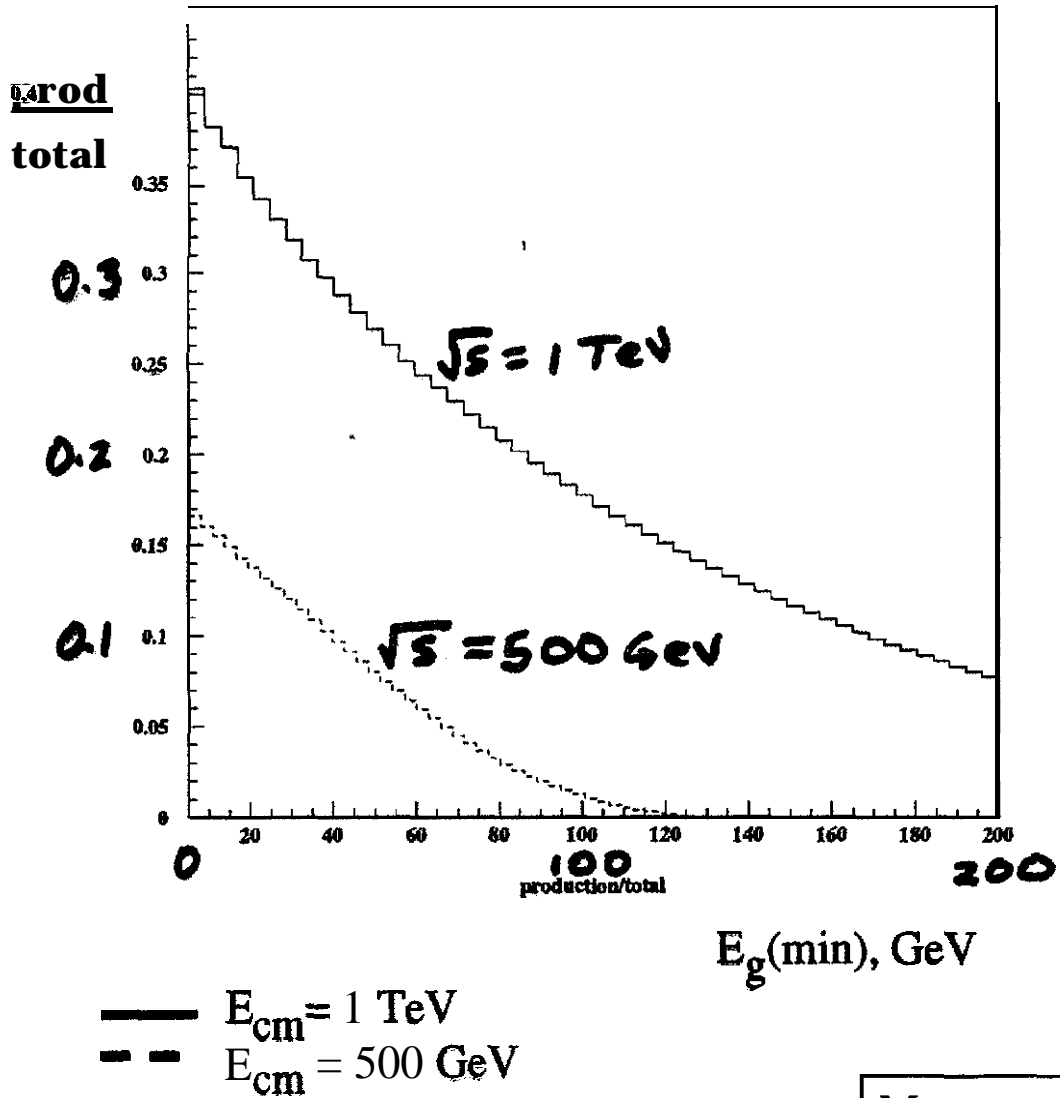
$$ME \sim \left( \frac{1}{P_{bW}^2 - m^2 + im\Gamma} \right) \left( \frac{1}{P_{bWg}^2 - m^2 + im\Gamma} \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2P_{bW}P_{bWg}} \left( \frac{1}{P_{bW}^2 - m^2 + im\Gamma} - \frac{1}{P_{bWg}^2 - m^2 + im\Gamma} \right)$$

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 production                  decay

# Fraction of emissions radiated in production stage

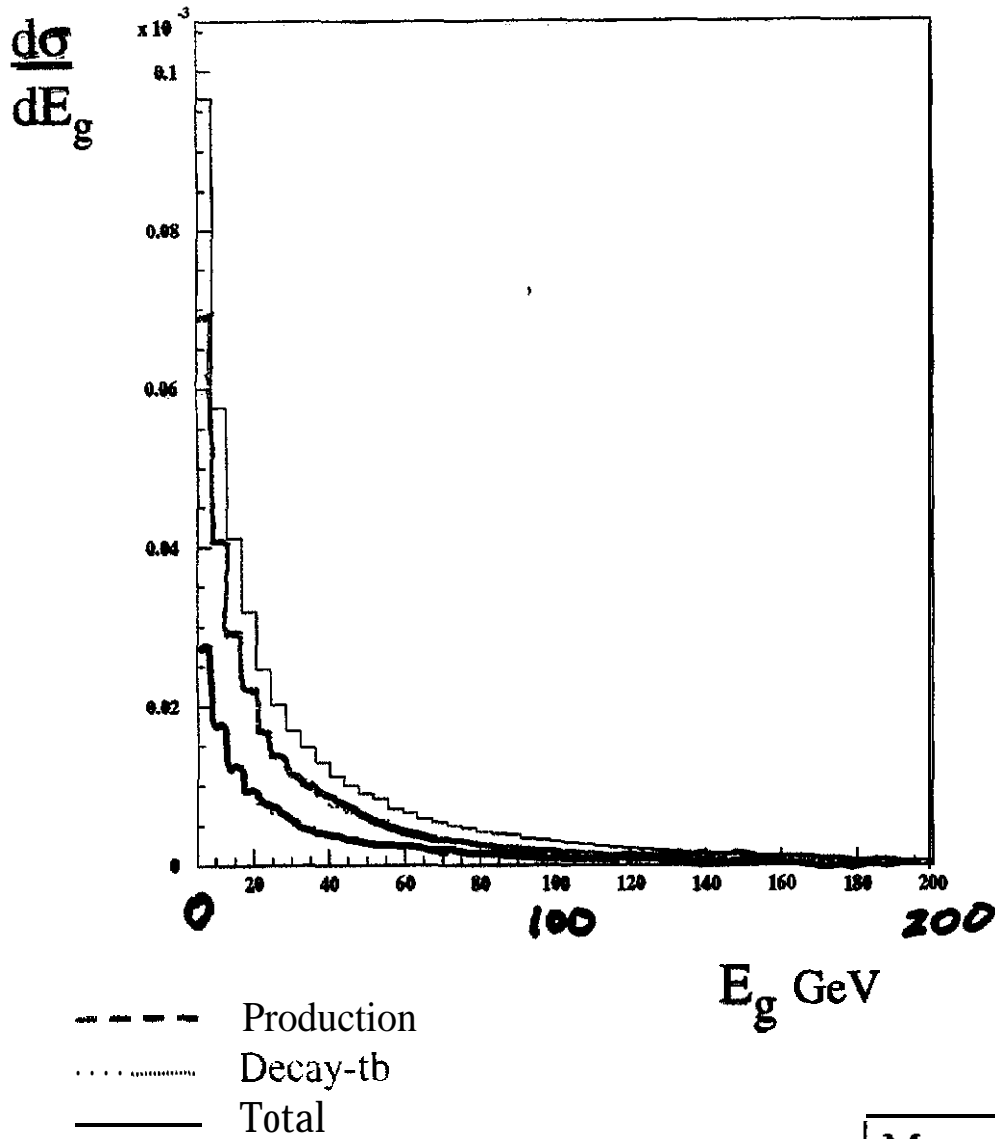
e+e- collisions



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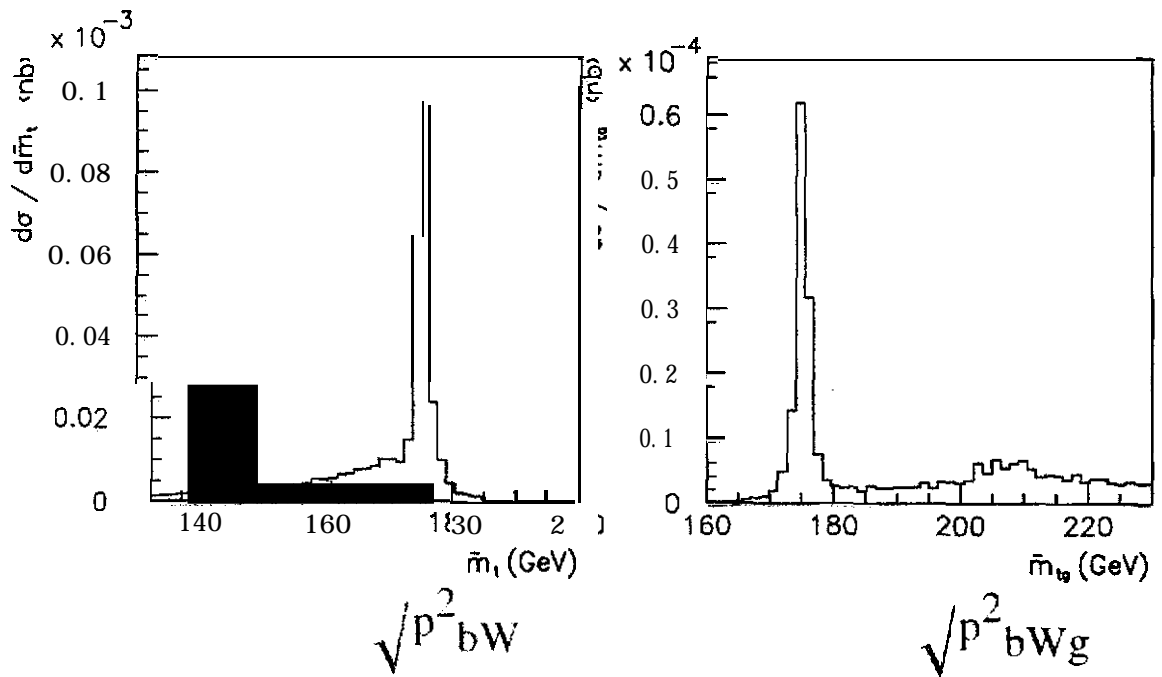
# Gluon energy spectrum

$e^+e^-$  collisions.  $E_{cm} = 750$  GeV



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# Top mass reconstruction

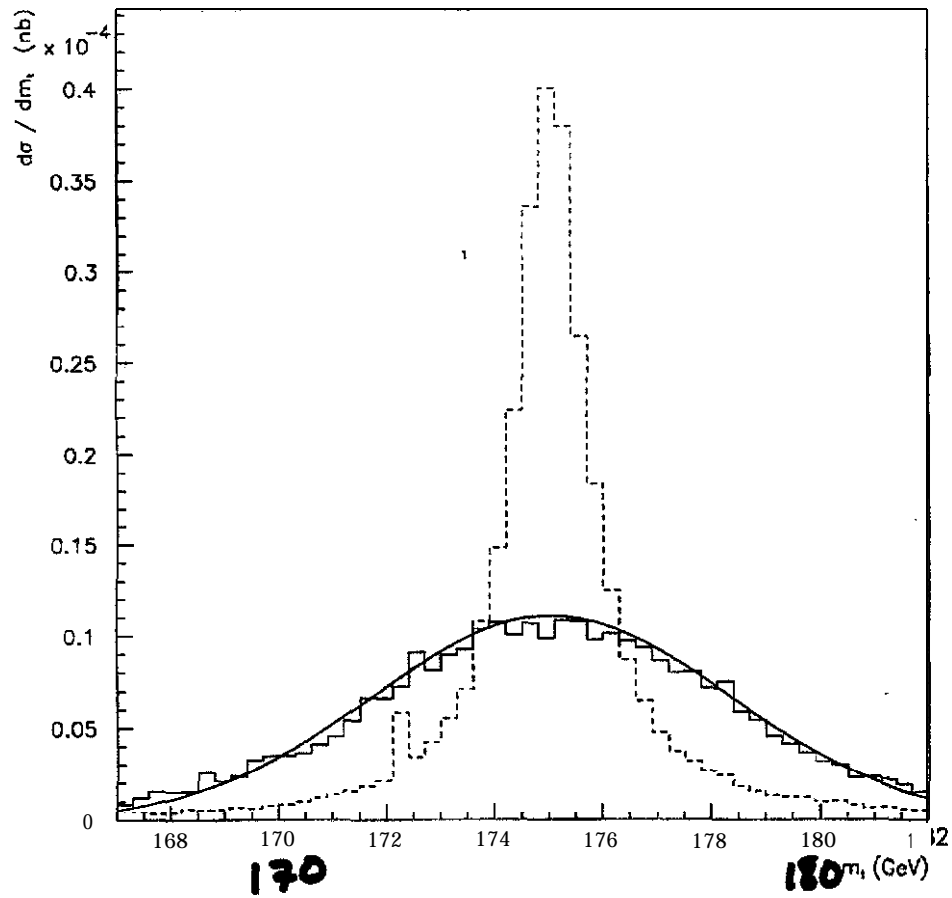


$$E_{cm} = 600 \text{ GeV}$$
$$E_g > 10 \text{ GeV}$$

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# Top mass reconstruction

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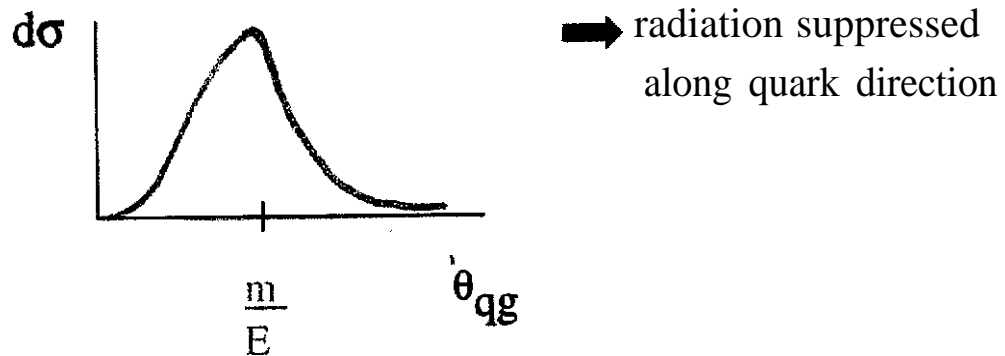


--- Exact momenta  
— With E smearing

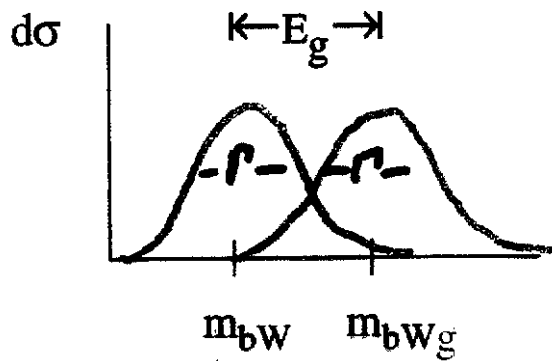
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- 'Dead cone' for massive quarks



- Interference between production and decay radiation for  $E_g \sim \Gamma_t (\approx 1.5 \text{ GeV})$ . Imagine overlapping Breit-Wigners:



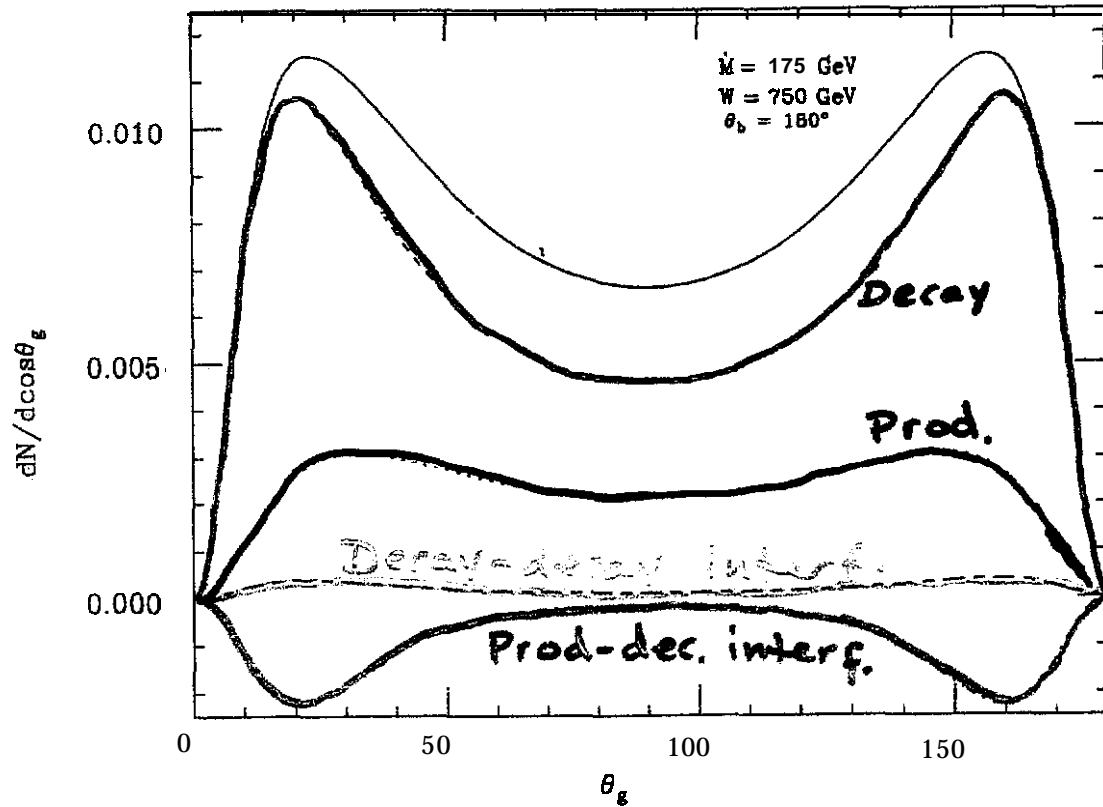
➔  $\Gamma_t$  not sensitive to  $\Gamma_t$



# Soft Gluon Radiation in $e^+e^- \rightarrow t\bar{t}$



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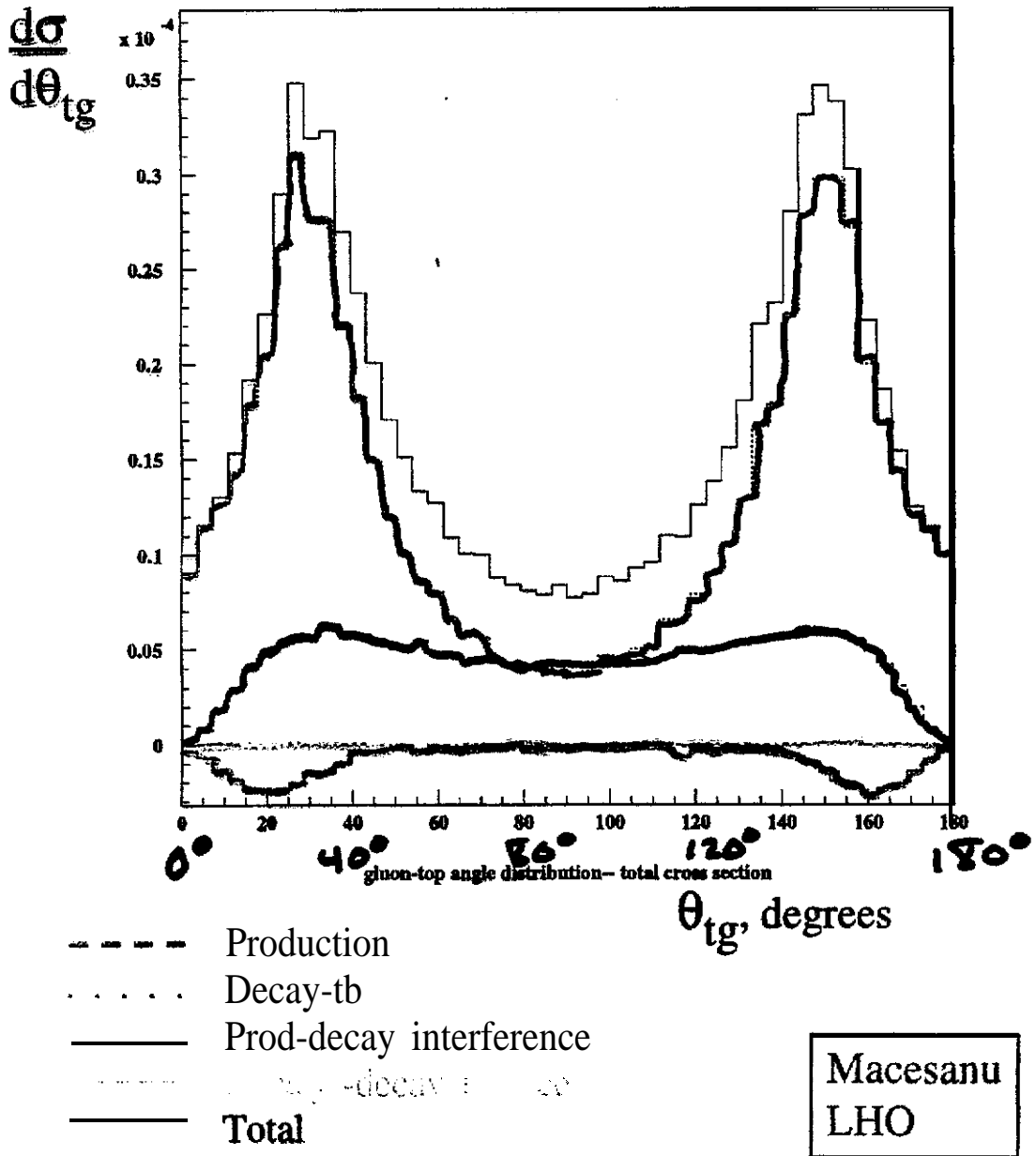


# Top-gluon angle

$e^+e^-$  collisions,  $E_{em} = 750$  GeV

$\cos\theta_{tb} < 0.9$

$5 < E_g < 10$  GeV

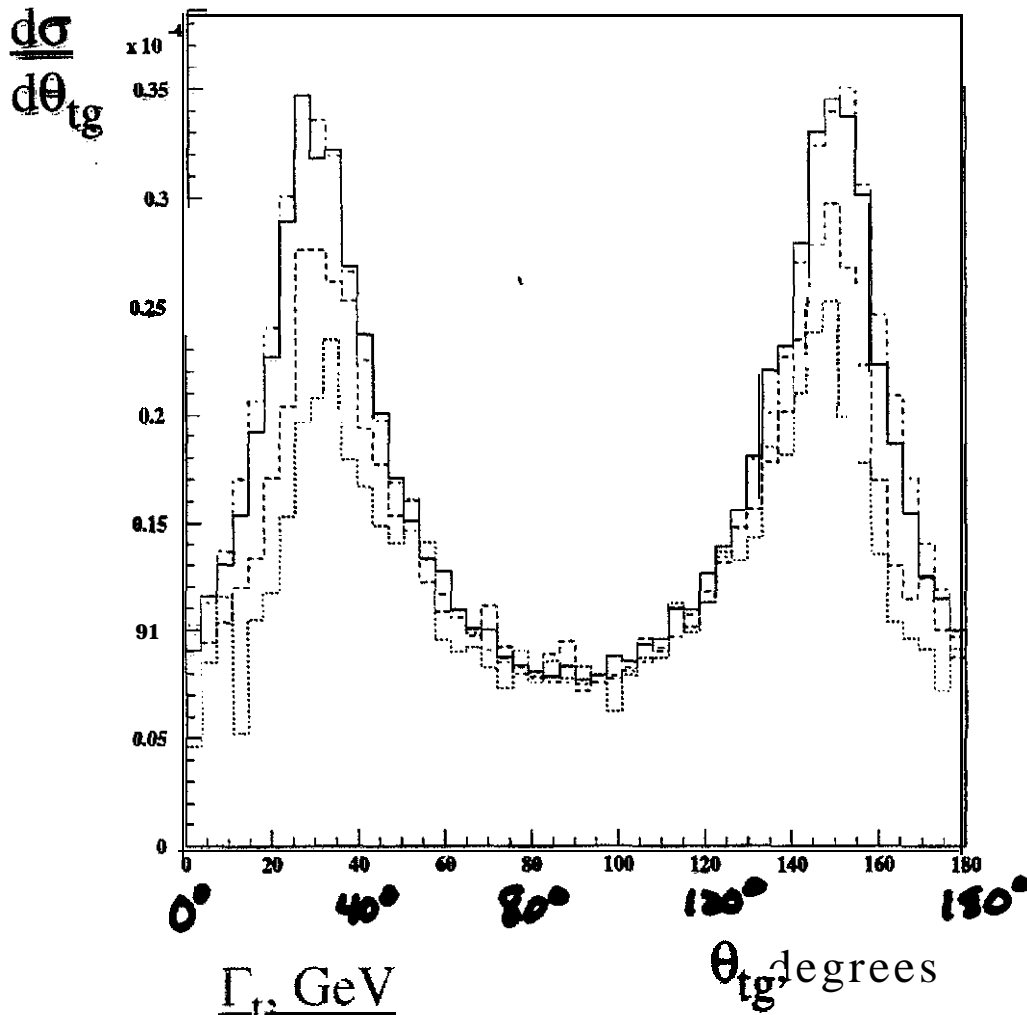


# Top-gluon angle: effect of top width

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$\Gamma_t$ , GeV

- 0.1
- 1.5 (SM)
- - - 5.
- 20.

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## Summary

- Gluon radiation in top production and decay:  
exact **ME** calculation for real **gluons**
- Radiation in both production and decay stages;  
**relative** amounts **depend** on
  - ▷ total collision energy
  - ▷ minimum gluon energy
- Top mass reconstruction
- Interference effects

... more to come