



LHC^{TOP}WG

24th LHC^{top}WG Open Meeting

November 29 - December 1, 2023

Virtual Edition

Introduction

**Welcome to the second
open session of 2023!**



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LHCtopWG and its mission

Forum for discussions between experiment and theory on combination and interpretation of top physics measurements at the LHC – since 2012

- Provide combinations of LHC top physics results
 - Reach highest precision and provide a unified experimental answer to the theory community
 - Compare results in a coherent way and understand possible differences
- ⇒ Requires detailed understanding of analysis methodologies, theoretical models used, categories of systematic uncertainties & correlations
- Provide recommendations and guidelines
 - Reference cross sections as common basis for measurements
 - Harmonize prescriptions to facilitate comparisons and combinations
- Provide summary plots of experimental results in comparison to theory predictions
- Ample discussion between experimental and theory communities
 - Open Meetings twice a year and on-demand seminars
 - Monthly closed meetings (conveners + contacts + invited experts on specific topics) to discuss experimental details

Documentation and coordinates

- Integrated in the LPCC structure at CERN:
<http://lpcc.web.cern.ch/lhc-working-groups>
- Public twiki: <https://twiki.cern.ch/twiki/bin/view/LHCPhysics/LHCTopWG>
- Public summary plots:
<https://twiki.cern.ch/twiki/bin/view/LHCPhysics/LHCTopWGSummaryPlots>
- Agendas: <https://indico.cern.ch/categoryDisplay.py?categId=4463>
- Main open mailing list: lhc-toplhwcg@cern.ch

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LHC^{TOP}WG contacts

- **Theory:** Fabio Maltoni
- **ATLAS:** Wolfgang Wagner
- **CMS:** Maria Aldaya
- **LHCb:** Katharina Mueller

Contacts for ongoing combinations / working groups:

- **Top mass:** Mark Owen (ATLAS), Martijn Mulders & Matteo Defranchis (CMS)
- **EFT:** Baptiste Ravina (ATLAS), Kirill Skovpen (CMS)
- **Common MC:** Michael Fenton, Dominic Hirschi, & Reinhard Schwienhorst (ATLAS), Giulia Negro, Markus Seidel, & Andris Potrebko (CMS)
- **$\Delta\phi$ (II) spin correlation:** Miriam Watson & James Howarth (ATLAS), Andy Jung, Giulia Negro & Afiq Anuar (CMS)
- **Harmonization of modelling uncertainties:** Andrea Knue & Dominic Hirschi (ATLAS), Efe Yazgan & Enrique Palencia (CMS)
- **Global EFT effort within the LHC EFT WG** (<https://lpsc.web.cern.ch/lhc-eft-wg>): Jacob Kempster (ATLAS), Robert Schoefbeck (CMS), Ken Mimasu (Theory)

Also contacts for dedicated topics as needed

(summary plots, theoretical calculations, JES, b-tagging, generators, etc)

Ongoing combinations and other efforts

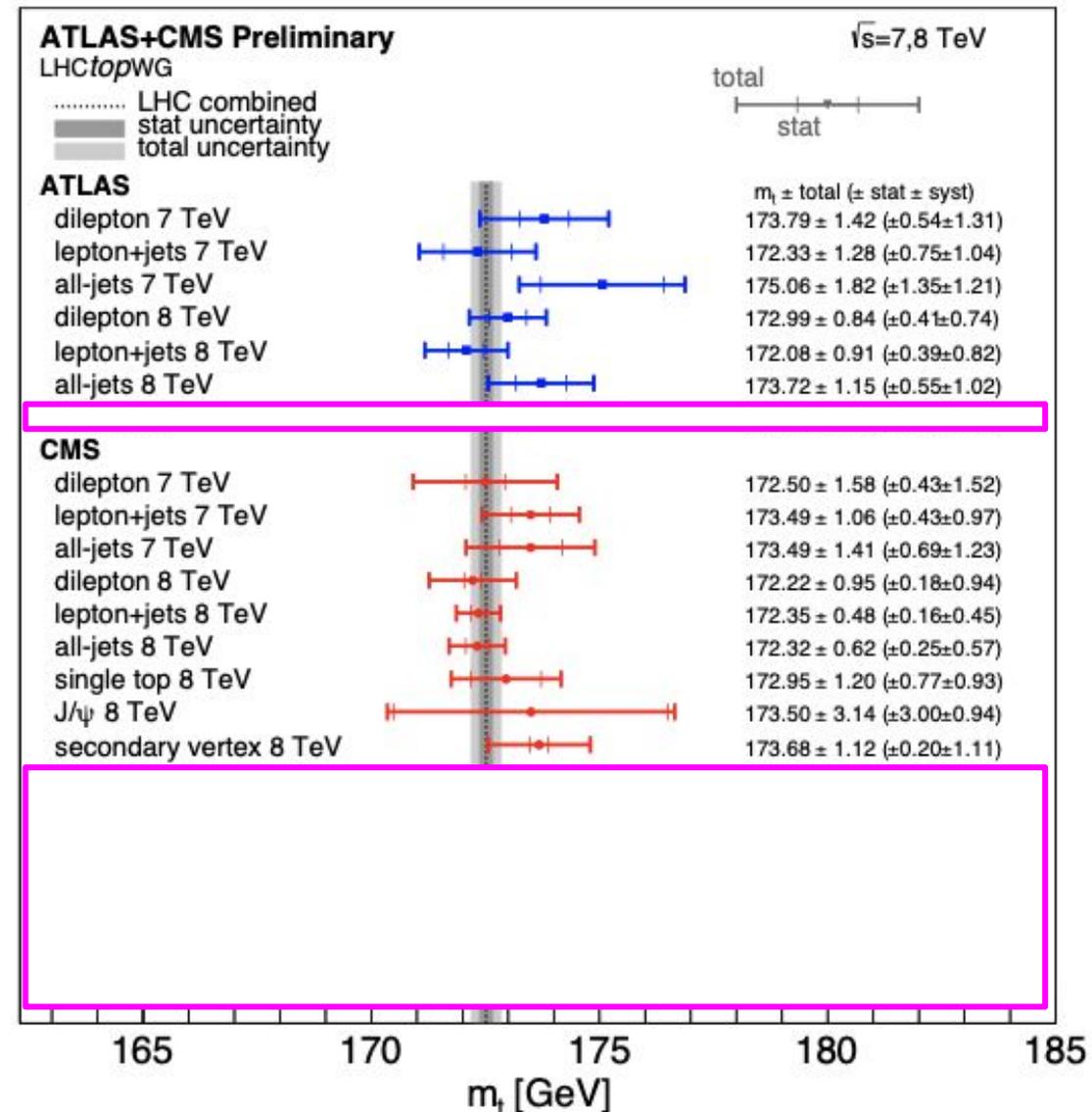
- **Published “Run-1 Legacy”** tt inclusive cross section at 7 & 8 TeV + extraction top pole mass and α_c (Veronique Boisvert (ATLAS), Jan Kieseler (CMS)):
[JHEP 07 \(2023\) 213](#), [arXiv:2205.13830 \[hep-ex\]](#) 
- **“Run-1 legacy” top mass combination:** [preliminary result](#) released for **TOP2023**, 
paper in final stages of review before submission – **next slide**
- **Ongoing combinations under review within the collaborations:**
 - **EFT combination at 13 TeV** – **update today!**
 - **$\Delta\phi(\text{ll})$ spin correlation combination at 13 TeV:** finalizing writing the documentation
- **Other efforts for upcoming Run-2 & Run-3 combinations and comparisons**
 - **Common tt MC settings for ATLAS and CMS:** latest studies from June 2023 ([CMS](#), [ATLAS](#))
 - **Harmonization of systematic uncertainties:** started with ME and PS sources in tt
 - **Updating theory reference cross sections:** started with single top and tt, other processes soon to follow

LHC Run-1 top quark mass combination

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- BLUE combination of 15 input top mass measurements from “top quark decays”
- from ATLAS and CMS
 - Profit from most precise results and those with different sensitivity to systematics
- Detailed mapping of systematic uncertainties (25 categories!) and assumed correlations
 - Both intra- and inter-experiment
- Extensive stability checks to test effect of correlation assumptions



LHC Run-1 top quark mass combination

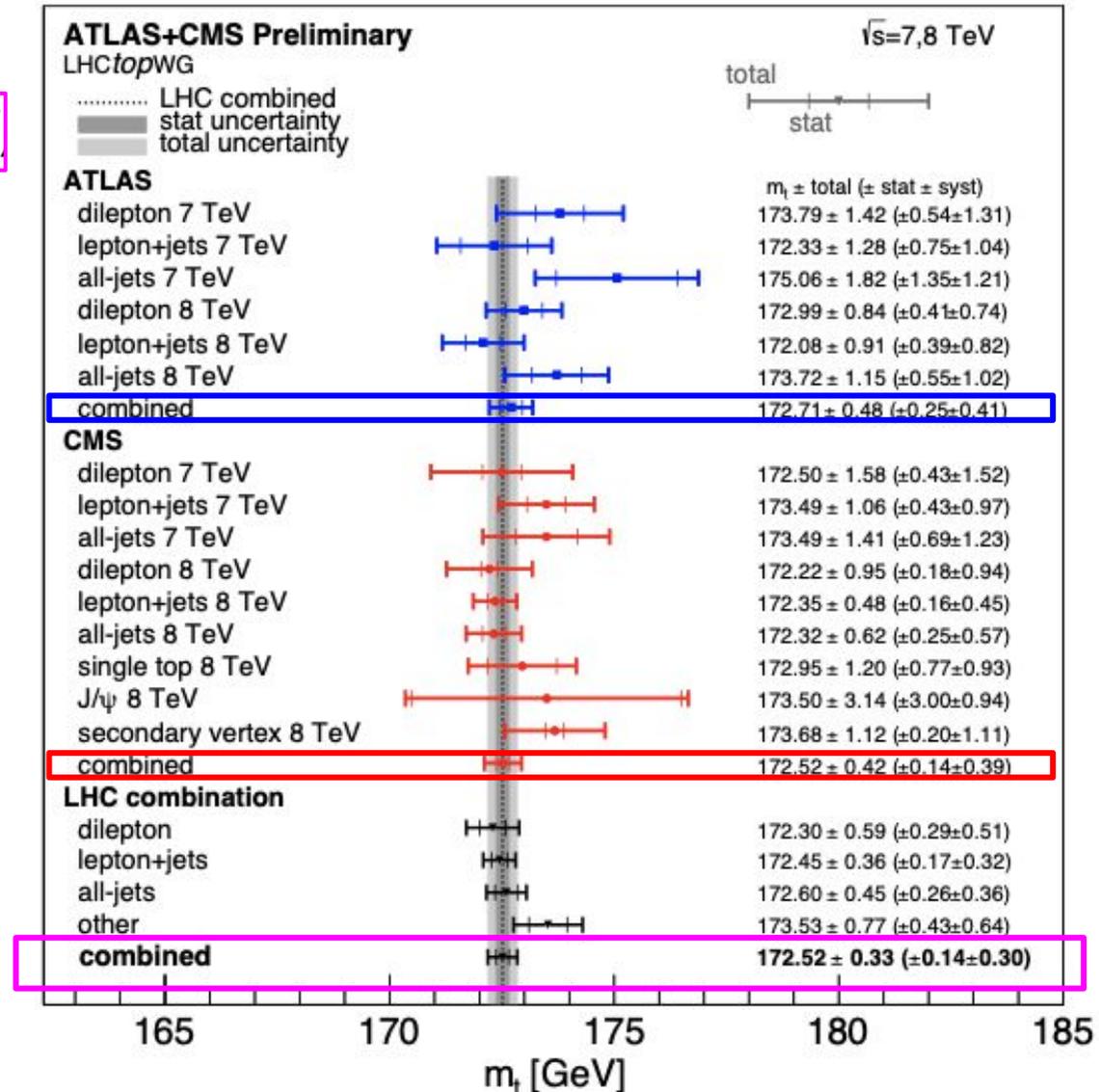
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- Combination:

$$m_t = 172.52 \pm 0.14 \text{ (stat)} \pm 0.30 \text{ (syst)} \text{ GeV}$$

- Total uncertainty of 0.33 GeV
 - Most precise result to-date
- 30% improvement over most precise individual result
- Excellent compatibility among inputs
- Limited sensitivity to correlation assumptions
- Main systematics: JES, b-tagging, top modelling

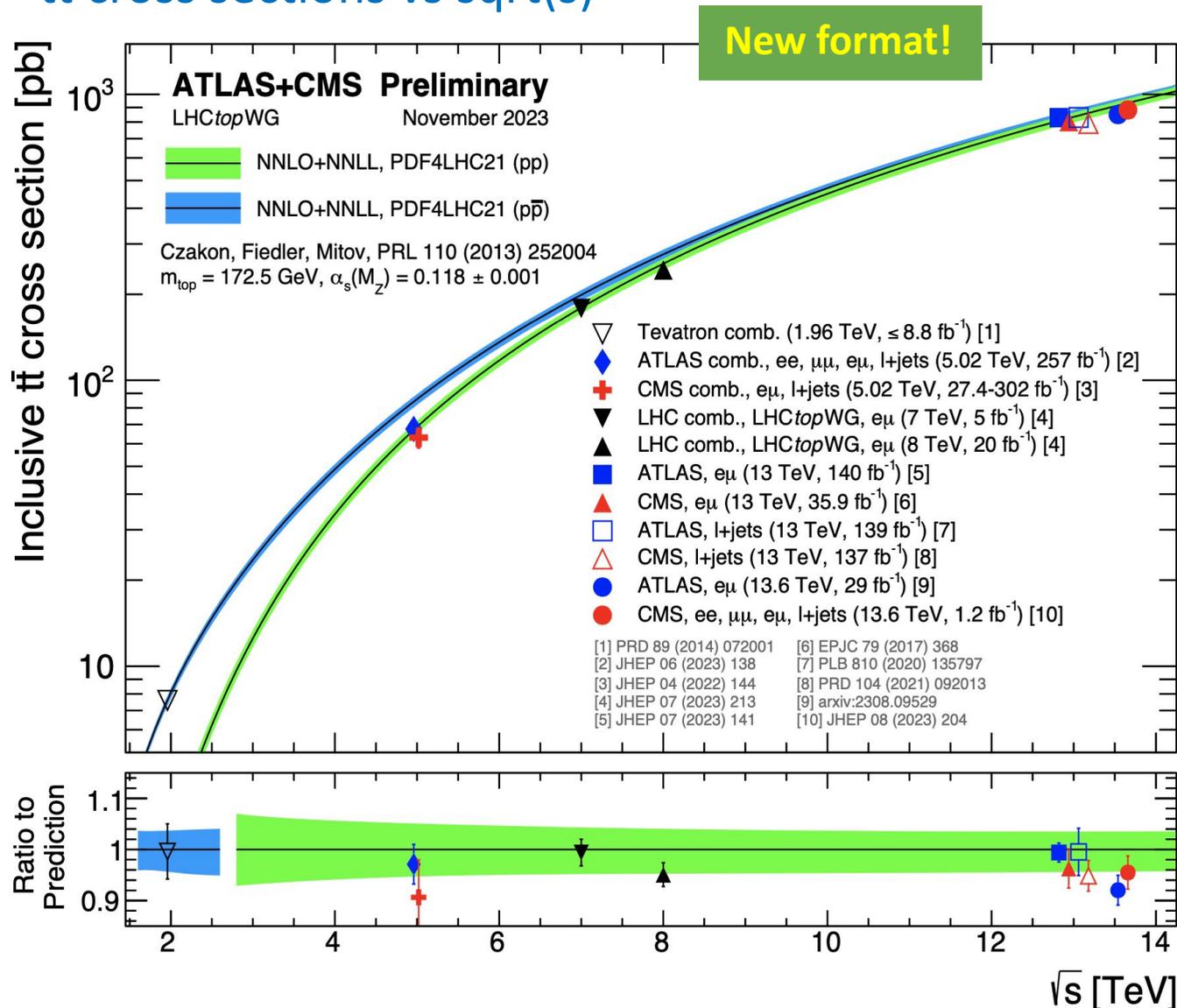


Summary plots

<https://twiki.cern.ch/twiki/bin/view/LHCPhysics/LHCTopWGSummaryPlots> (*)

Newly added/updated results & predictions since last Open Meeting and other updates – more than 30 plots, showcasing some examples only(**):

tt cross sections vs sqrt(s)

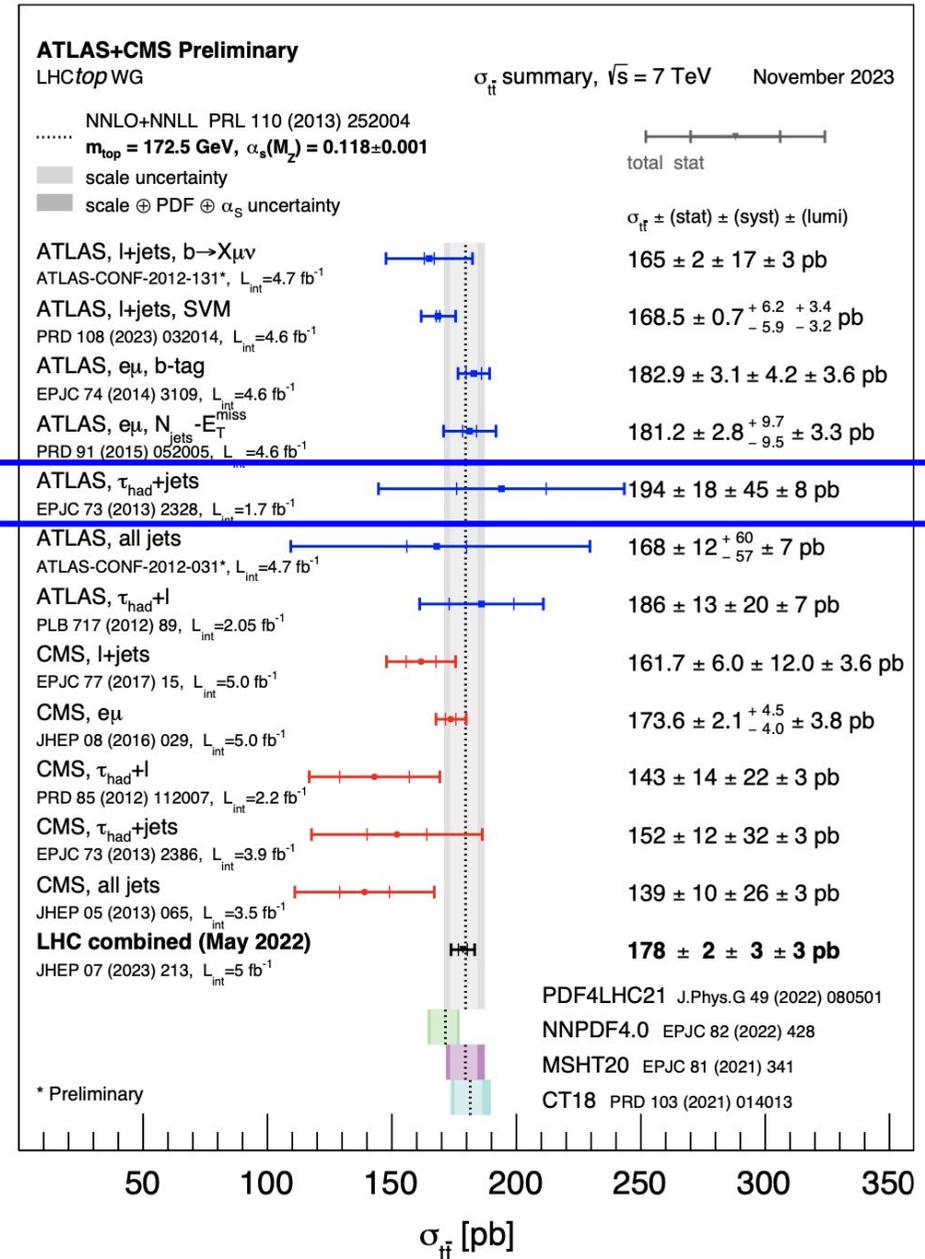
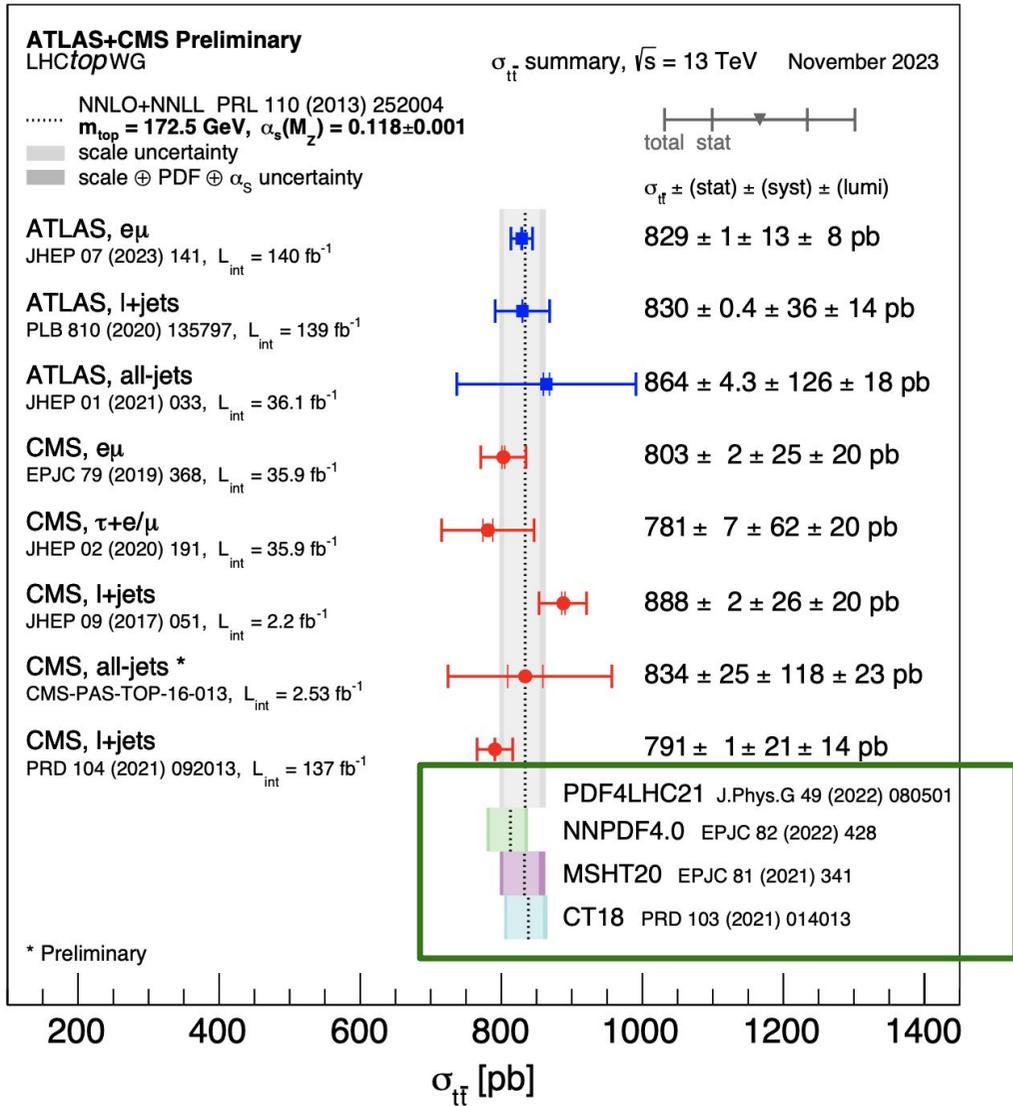


- Improved overall readability:
 - added ratio-to-predictions panel
 - removed inset for 13 and 13.6 TeV
- Added references for all results
- Updated PDF set for ppbar theory prediction

(*) All updated plots will be added to the twiki shortly

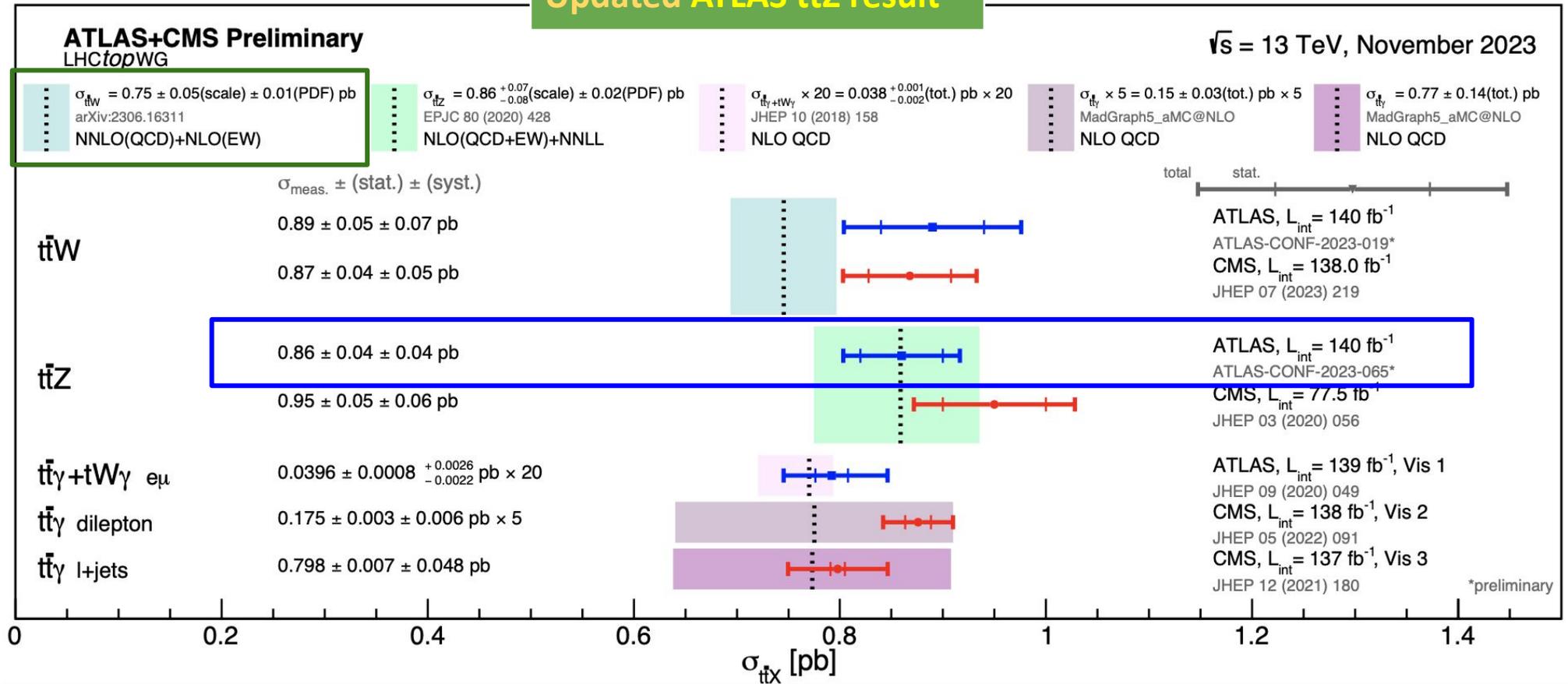
(**) FCNC plots in Daniel's talk today
Top EFT limit plots in Kirill's talk today

tt cross sections



- Added comparison to theory predictions using various recent PDF sets
- Updated references, sync'd format for presenting results where possible
- Similar updates also for plots at 8 and 5.02 TeV

Updated ATLAS ttZ result

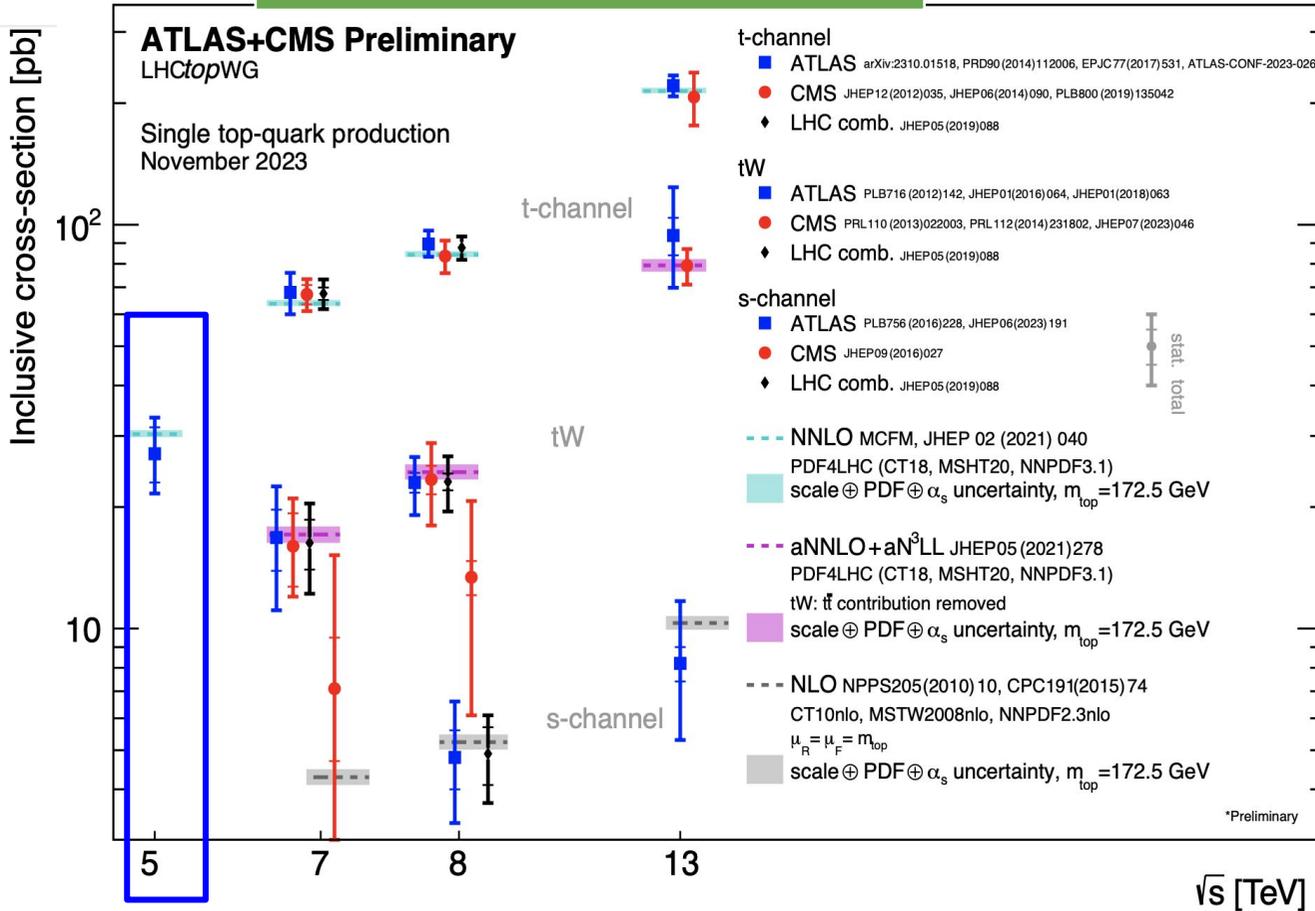


- Updated ttW theory prediction to the latest NNLO (QCD) + NLO (EW) from [arXiv:2306.16311 \[hep-ph\]](https://arxiv.org/abs/2306.16311)
- Updated references

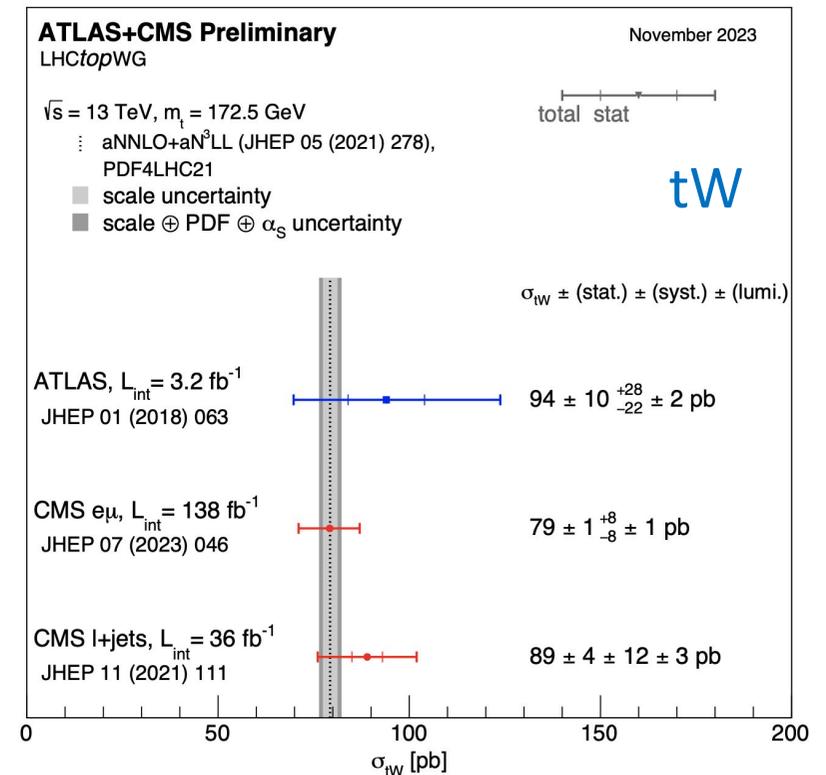
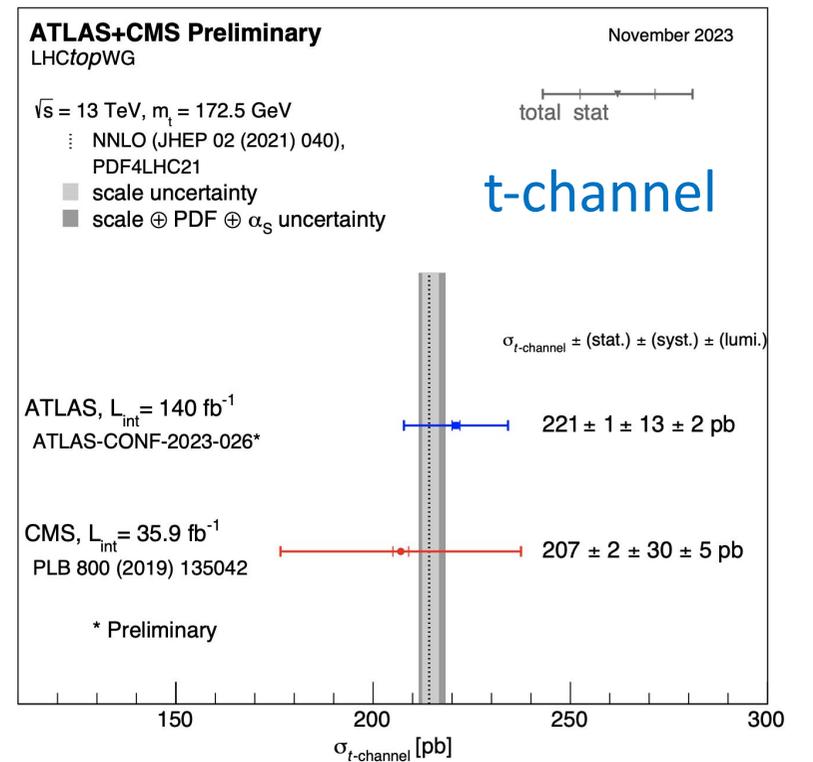
Single top production

All channels and sqrt(s)

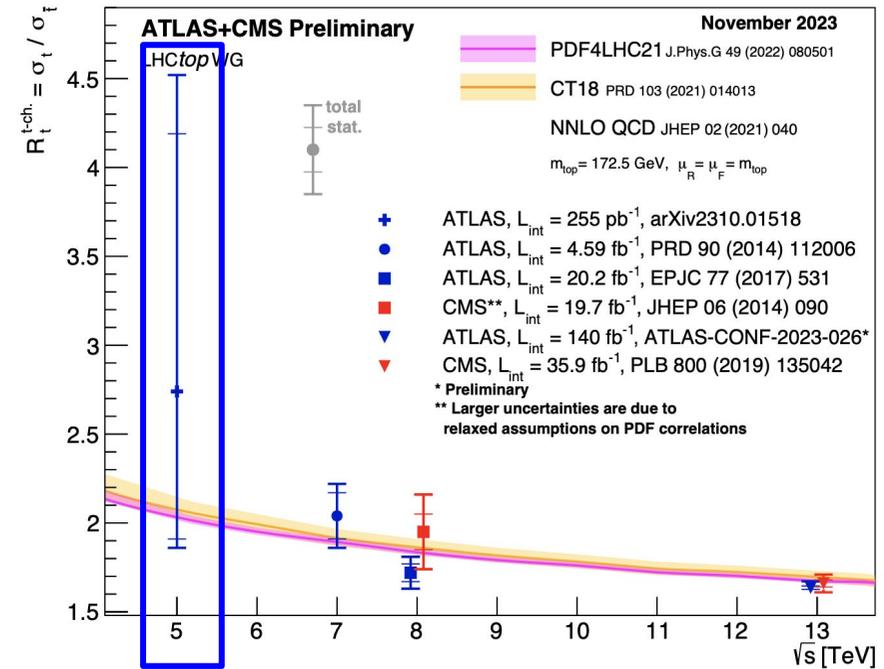
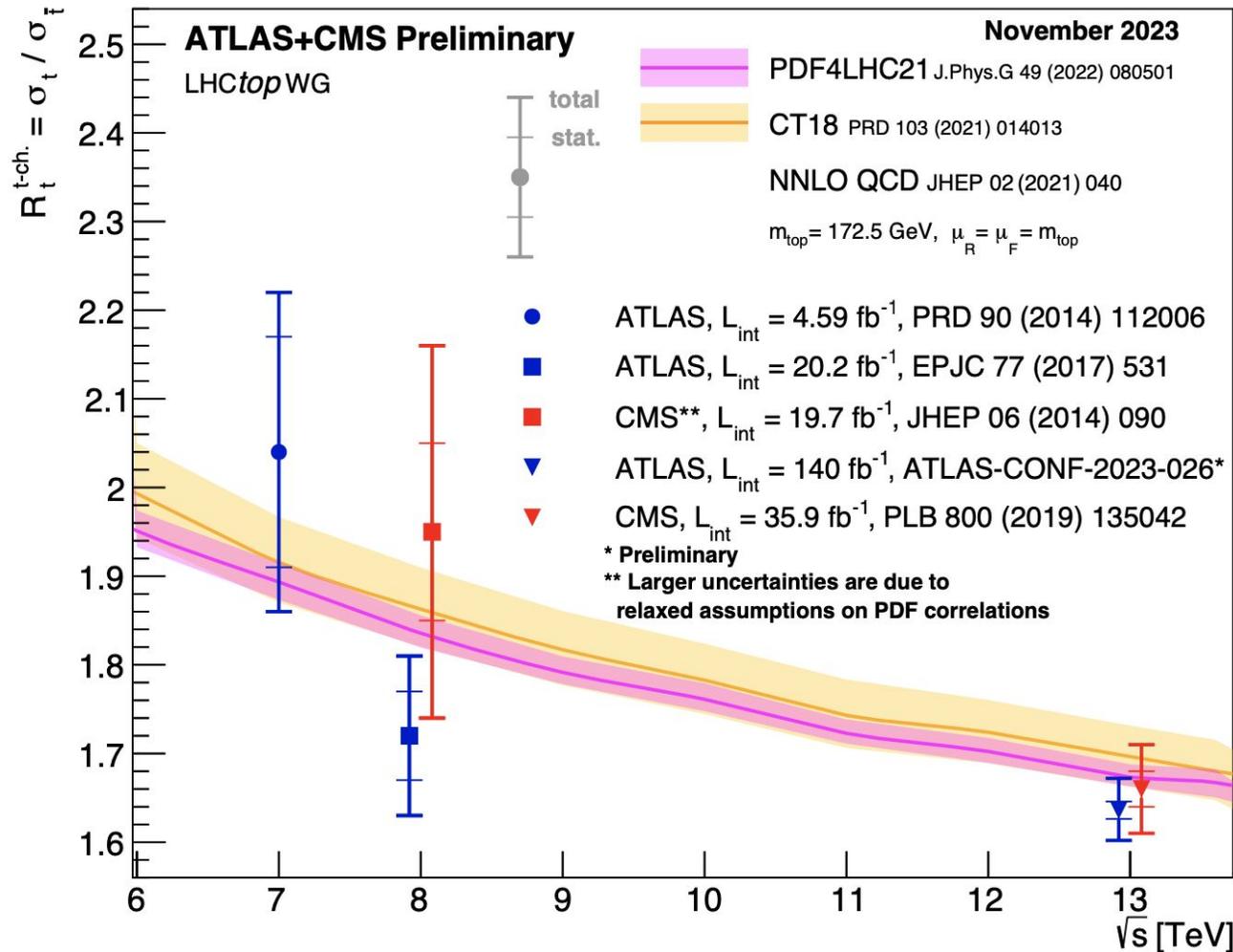
Added ATLAS t-chan. at 5 TeV



- Updated t-channel predictions using PDF4LHC21
- Updated references, sync'd style across channels
- Similar updates for plots at all energies



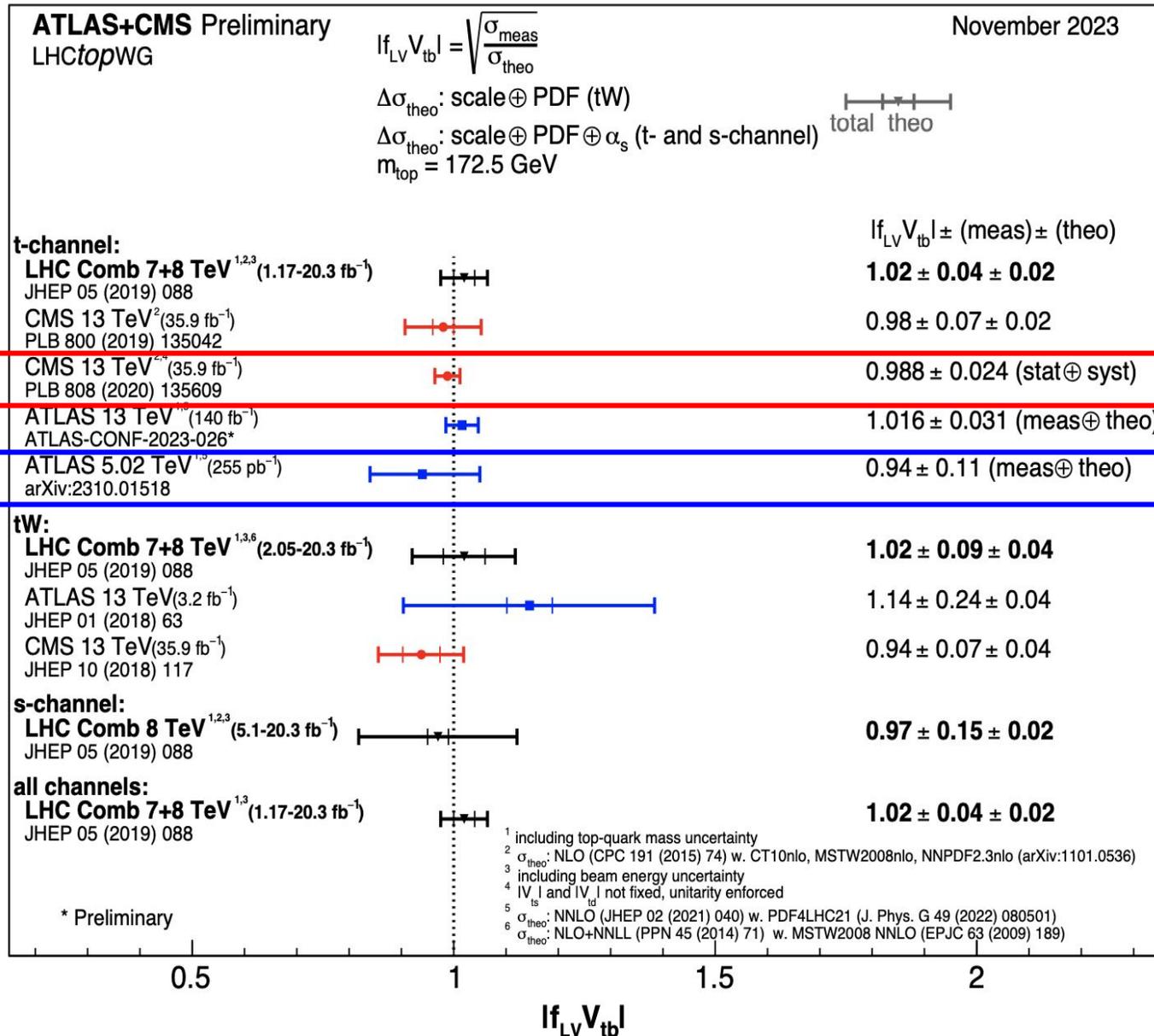
Rt: ratio of $\sigma(\text{top})$ to $\sigma(\text{antitop})$



- Same plot, including the latest ATLAS result at 5 TeV, also available

- Updated theory predictions from NLO to NNLO
- Used newer PDF sets in the predictions
- Updated references

Added CMS t-chan. at 13 TeV
Added ATLAS t-chan. at 5 TeV

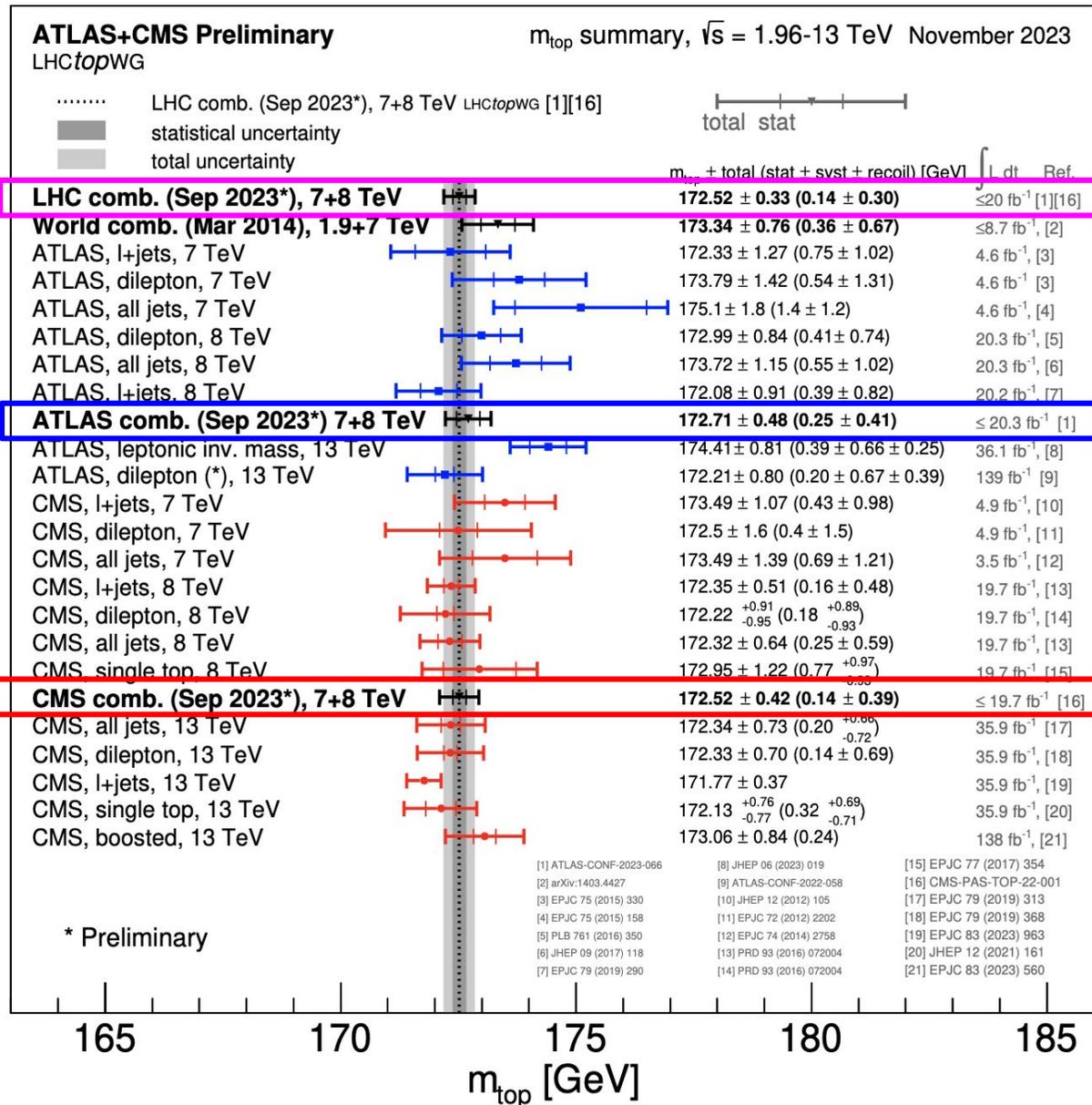


- Updated results as reported in the corresponding publications
- Updated references

Top mass

Top mass from decay

Added new CMS 7+8 TeV combination
 Added new ATLAS 7+8 TeV combination
 Added new LHC 7+8 TeV combination



- Removed all Run-1 results that did not enter the new LHC 7+8 TeV combination
- Added new LHC combination as reference (dotted line and grey bands)
- Updated results as reported in the corresponding publications
- Updated references

Next Open Meeting

- Planned for **May/June 2024**
 - In-person, with the usual zoom connection
 - Sessions will be recorded and uploaded on the agenda after the meeting
- Current scheme: **one in-person** and **one virtual** Open Meeting per year
 - Please let us know if you prefer both in-person
- **Your feedback is important** –let us know if you have suggestions for improving the meetings!

This week's agenda

29 November

30 November

1 December

Intro, highlights (experiment and theory)

ATLAS & CMS comparisons

Top modelling

Top-philic axion festival

EFT

Entanglement

<p>14:00 Session 1 - Prof. Fabio Maltoni (Università di Bologna) Maria Aldaya Martin (DESY) (until 15:30) ()</p>	<p>10:00 Session 1 - Maria Aldaya Martin (DESY) Prof. Fabio Maltoni (Universite Catholique de Louvain (UCL) (BE) and Università di Bologna) Wolfgang Wagner (Bergische Universitaet Wuppertal (DE)) (until 13:30) ()</p>	<p>09:30 Session 1 - Wolfgang Wagner (Bergische Universitaet Wuppertal (DE)) Prof. Fabio Maltoni (Universite Catholique de Louvain (UCL) (BE) and Università di Bologna) Maria Aldaya Martin (DESY) (until 12:30) ()</p>
<p>14:00 Introduction - Prof. Fabio Maltoni (Universite Catholique de Louvain (UCL) (BE) and Università di Bologna) Wolfgang Wagner (Bergische Universitaet Wuppertal (DE)) Maria Aldaya Martin (DESY) ()</p>	<p>10:00 Latest developments in Herwig 7 - Simon Platzer (University of Graz (AT)) ()</p>	<p>09:30 Summary of the Quantum Observables discussions at GGI - Marcel Vos (IFIC Valencia (ES)) ()</p>
<p>14:20 --- Discussion ---</p>	<p>10:20 --- Discussion ---</p>	<p>09:50 --- Discussion ---</p>
<p>14:30 CMS highlight 1: Search for extra Higgs bosons through same-sign top-quark production in association with an extra jet - Efe Yazgan (National Taiwan University (TW)) ()</p>	<p>10:30 Studies on the improvement of the matching uncertainty definition in top-quark processes - Katharina Voss (Universitaet Siegen (DE)) ()</p>	<p>10:00 Observation of quantum entanglement in top quark decays - Arthur Wu (University of Glasgow (GB)) ()</p>
<p>14:50 --- Discussion ---</p>	<p>10:50 --- Discussion ---</p>	<p>10:20 --- Discussion ---</p>
<p>15:00 ATLAS highlight 1: Inclusive and differential ttZ cross-section measurement, including interpretations, with the full ATLAS Run 2 dataset - Dominik Babal (Slovak Academy of Sciences (SK)) ()</p>	<p>11:00 Modeling of tTbar with Powheg bb4l - Laurids Jeppe (Deutsches Elektronen-Synchrotron (DE)) ()</p>	<p>10:30 xxxxx ()</p>
<p>15:20 --- Discussion ---</p>	<p>11:20 --- Discussion ---</p>	<p>10:50 --- Discussion ---</p>
<p>15:30 --- Discussion ---</p>	<p>11:30 Top quark physics with Pythia - Christian Preuss (University of Wuppertal) ()</p>	<p>11:00 Quantum Entanglement and Bell Inequality Violation in Semi-Leptonic Top Decays - Arthur Wu (Pitt) ()</p>
<p>16:00 Session 2 - Prof. Fabio Maltoni (Università di Bologna) Wolfgang Wagner (Bergische Universitaet Wuppertal (DE)) Maria Aldaya Martin (DESY) (until 17:30) ()</p>	<p>12:00 Decay matrix element corrections in MC@NLO-type simulations with Pythia8 - Stefano Frixione (INFN) ()</p>	<p>11:20 --- Discussion ---</p>
<p>16:00 Comparison of the latest CMS and ATLAS measurements on FCNC in the top-quark sector - Daniel Spitzbart (Boston University (US)) ()</p>	<p>12:20 --- Discussion ---</p>	<p>11:30 --- Close out ---</p>
<p>16:20 --- Discussion ---</p>	<p>13:00 --- Lunch break ---</p>	
<p>16:30 Progress report on a combined EFT analysis of ATLAS and CMS results - Baptiste Ravina (Georg August Universitaet Goettingen (DE)) Kirill Skovpen (Ghent University (BE)) ()</p>	<p>14:00 SUSY searches in tTbar+MET and tc+MET final states with ATLAS - Simran Sunil Gurdasani (Albert Ludwigs Universitaet Freiburg (DE)) ()</p>	
<p>16:50 --- Discussion ---</p>	<p>14:20 --- Discussion ---</p>	
<p>17:00 Indirect constraints on top quark operators from a global SMEFT analysis - Alfredo Stanzione ()</p>	<p>14:30 Session 2 - Fabio Maltoni (Universite Catholique de Louvain (BE)) (until 15:30) ()</p>	
<p>17:20 --- Discussion ---</p>	<p>14:30 On the coupling of axion-like particles to the top quark - Fabian Esser ()</p>	
	<p>14:45 ALP effects in top-pair production - Vu Phan ()</p>	
	<p>15:00 Phenomenology of an elusive top-philic ALP at the LHC - Alberto Mariotti (Vrije Universiteit Brussel) ()</p>	
	<p>15:15 Distinguishing axion-like particles and CP-odd Higgs bosons in ttbar final states at the LHC - Christian Schwanenberger (Deutsches Elektronen-Synchrotron (DE)) ()</p>	
	<p>15:30 --- Discussion ---</p>	
	<p>15:55 Higgs interference effects in top-quark pair production in the 1HSM - Alexander Lind (Subatech, IMT Atlantique) ()</p>	
	<p>16:15 --- Discussion ---</p>	
	<p>16:25 ATLAS highlight 2: Ttbar+jets in ATLAS and a comparison with the CMS triple differential cross-section measurement, and tTbar in pPb collisions - Miguel Angel Principe Martin (Universidad Autónoma de Madrid) Henriette Aarup Petersen (Deutsches Elektronen-Synchrotron (DE)) ()</p>	
	<p>16:50 --- Discussion ---</p>	

Additional information

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Systematic correlations

Statistical and other uncorrelated components of JES

Light flavour uncertainties approach different for ATLAS and CMS

Correlation from reliance on MC for flavour composition in the $t\bar{t}$ calibration samples

Uncertainty category	ρ	Scan range	$\Delta m_t/2$ [MeV]	$\Delta \sigma_{m_t}/2$ [MeV]
LHC JES 1	0	—	—	—
LHC JES 2	0	[-0.25, +0.25]	8	7
LHC JES 3	0.5	[+0.25, +0.75]	1	<1
LHC b-JES	0.85	[+0.5, +1]	26	5
LHC g-JES	0.85	[+0.5, +1]	2	<1
LHC l-JES	0	[-0.25, +0.25]	1	<1
CMS JES 1	—	—	—	—
JER	0	[-0.25, +0.25]	5	1
Leptons	0	[-0.25, +0.25]	2	2
b tagging	0.5	[+0.25, +0.75]	1	1
p_T^{miss}	0	[-0.25, +0.25]	<1	<1
Pileup	0.85	[+0.5, +1]	2	<1
Trigger	0	[-0.25, +0.25]	<1	<1
ME generator	0.5	[+0.25, +0.75]	<1	4
LHC radiation	0.5	[+0.25, +0.75]	7	1
LHC hadronization	0.5	[+0.25, +0.75]	1	<1
CMS B hadron BR	—	—	—	—
Color reconnection	0.5	[+0.25, +0.75]	3	1
Underlying event	0.5	[+0.25, +0.75]	1	<1
PDF	0.85	[+0.5, +1]	1	<1
Top quark p_T	—	—	—	—
Background (data)	0	[-0.25, +0.25]	8	2
Background (MC)	0.85	[+0.5, +1]	2	<1
Method	0	—	—	—
Other	0	—	—	—



Different JES calibrations, but sensitive to same MC modelling of radiation

similar MC comparisons (Pythia v Herwig)

No large changes in central value.

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Slide from C. Nellist at [TOP2023](#)

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Uncertainty category	Uncertainty impact [GeV]		
	LHC	ATLAS	CMS
LHC b-JES	0.18	0.17	0.25
b tagging	0.09	0.16	0.03
ME generator	0.08	0.13	0.14
LHC JES 1	0.08	0.18	0.06
LHC JES 2	0.08	0.11	0.10
Method	0.07	0.06	0.09
CMS B hadron BR	0.07	—	0.12
LHC radiation	0.06	0.07	0.10
Leptons	0.05	0.08	0.07
JER	0.05	0.09	0.02
Top quark p_T	0.05	—	0.07
Background (data)	0.05	0.04	0.06
Color reconnection	0.04	0.08	0.03
Underlying event	0.04	0.03	0.05
LHC g-JES	0.03	0.02	0.04
Background (MC)	0.03	0.07	0.01
Other	0.03	0.06	0.01
LHC l-JES	0.03	0.01	0.05
CMS JES 1	0.03	—	0.04
Pileup	0.03	0.07	0.03
LHC JES 3	0.02	0.07	0.01
LHC hadronization	0.02	0.01	0.01
p_T^{miss}	0.02	0.04	0.01
PDF	0.02	0.06	<0.01
Trigger	0.01	0.01	0.01
Total systematics	0.30	0.41	0.39
Statistical	0.14	0.25	0.14
Total	0.33	0.48	0.42

