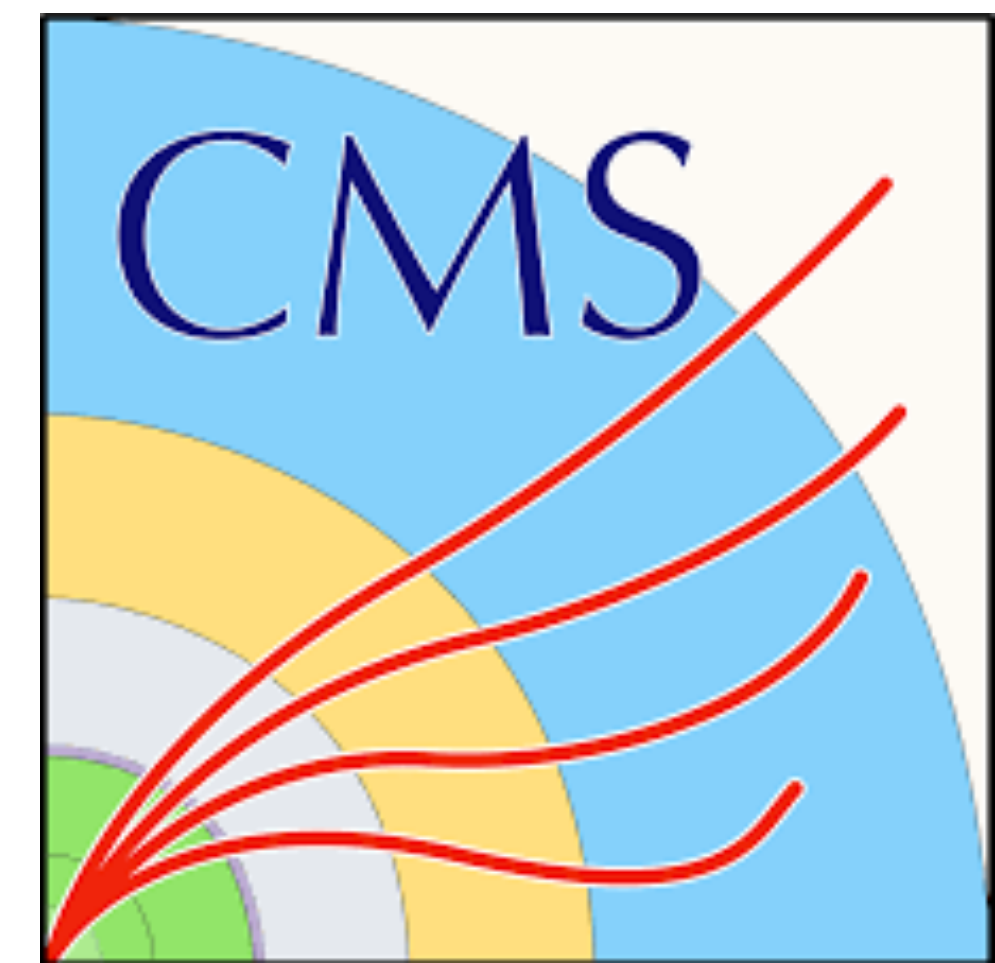


Measurements and searches for $t\bar{t}t\bar{t}$ production with ATLAS and CMS experiments

Quake Qin (IFAE)

on behalf of the ATLAS and CMS collaborations

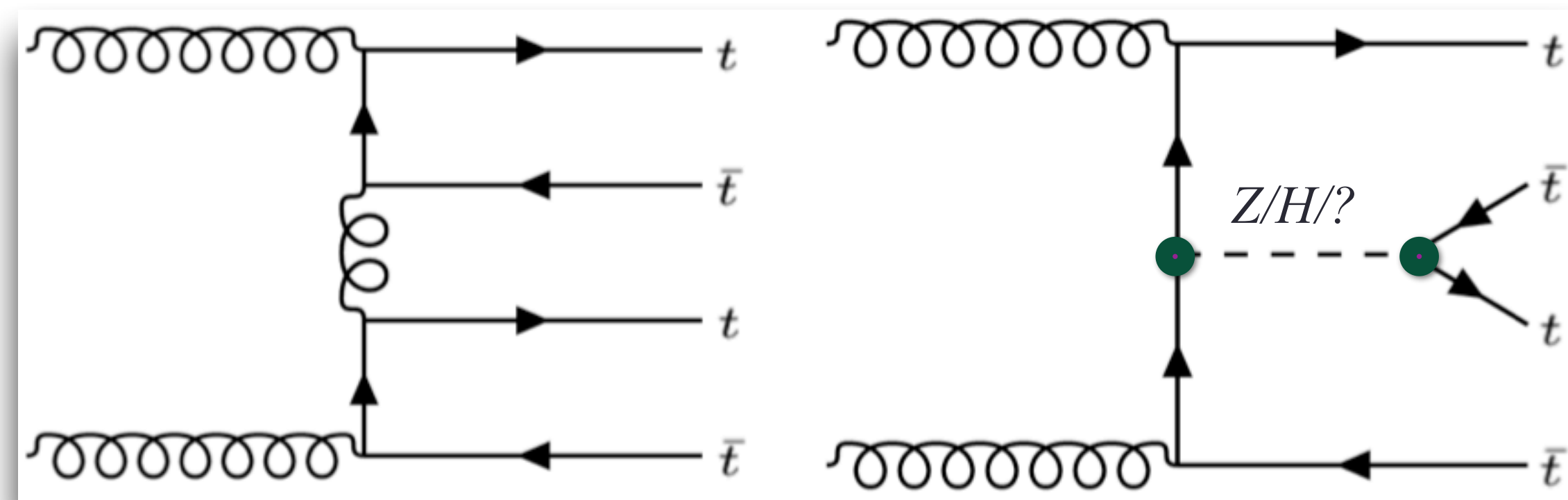
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Introduction

- $t\bar{t}t\bar{t}$ production is a rare process, in 13 TeV pp collisions:
 - NLO QCD+EW: $11.97^{+18\%}_{-21\%}$ fb (R. Frederix, D. Pagani, M. Zaro)
 - adding NLL' resummation: $13.37^{+3.6\%}_{-11.4\%}$ fb (M. Beekveld, A. Kulesza, L. Valero)
- Sensitive to heavy new physics, top-Yukawa coupling, and a number of four-fermion operators in EFT

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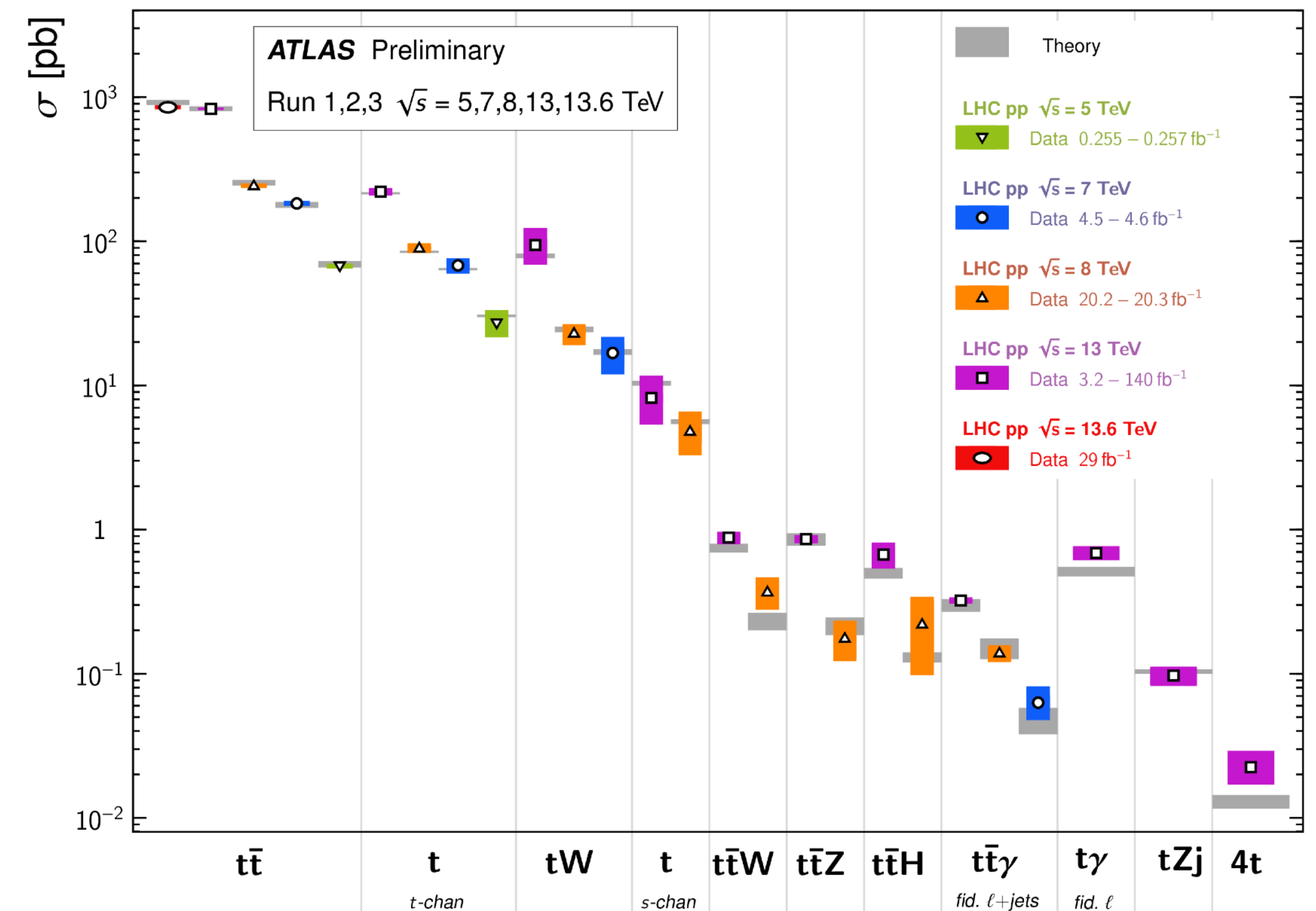


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Sub-leading:
 $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_S^2 y_t^2)$, $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_S^2 \alpha^2)$

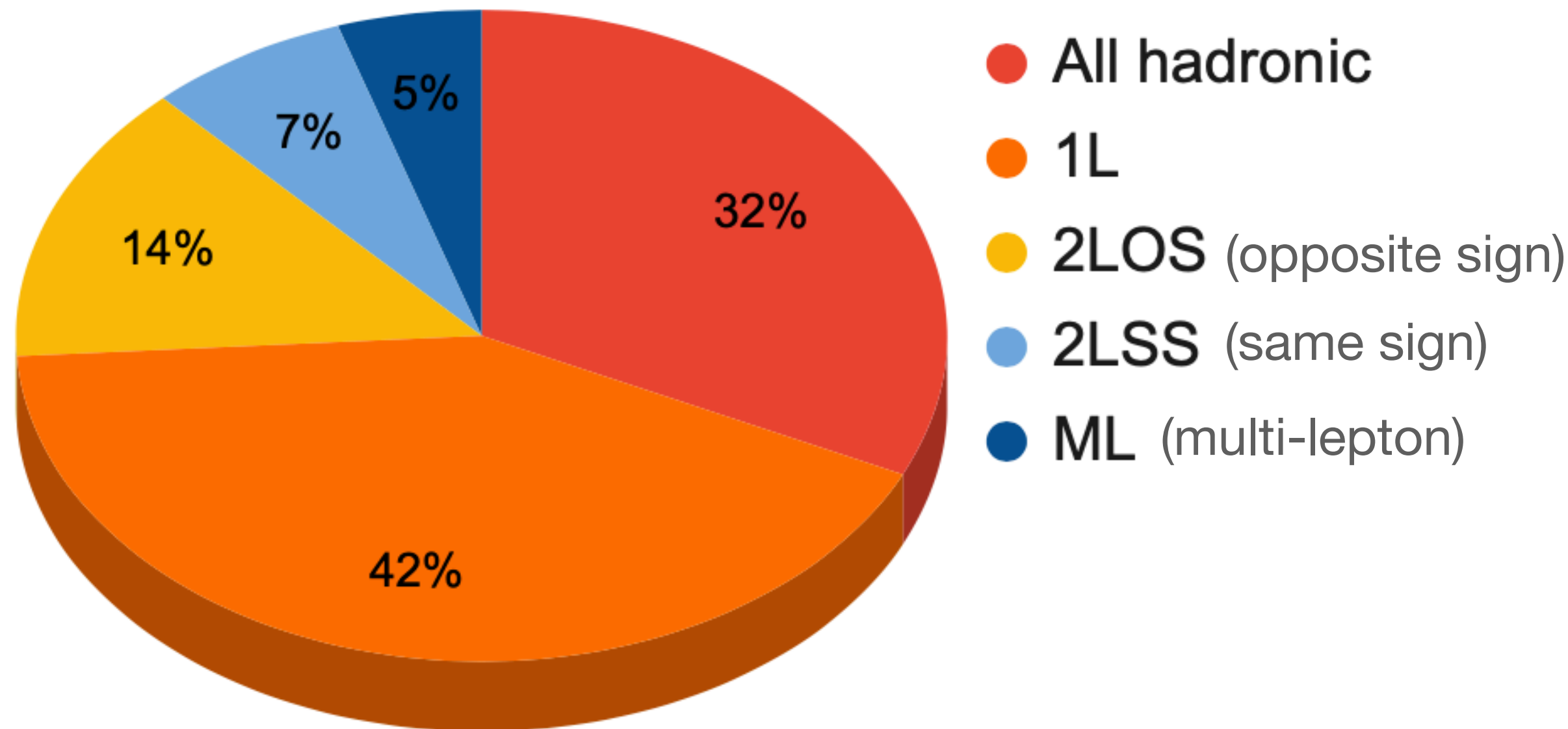
Top Quark Production Cross Section Measurements

Status: April 2024



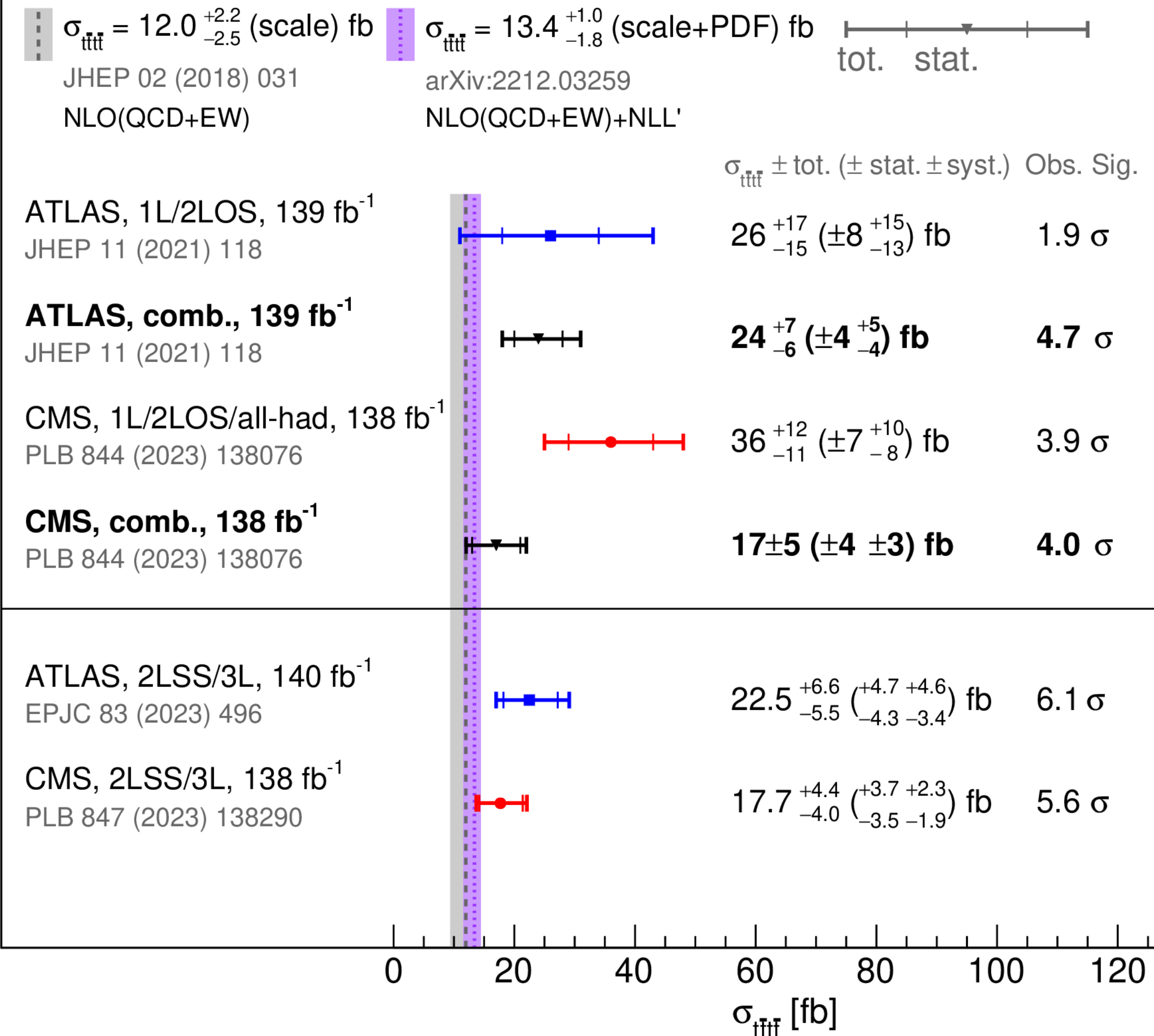
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- Measurements and searches in all channels



ATLAS+CMS Preliminary
LHCtopWG

$\sqrt{s} = 13$ TeV, November 2023



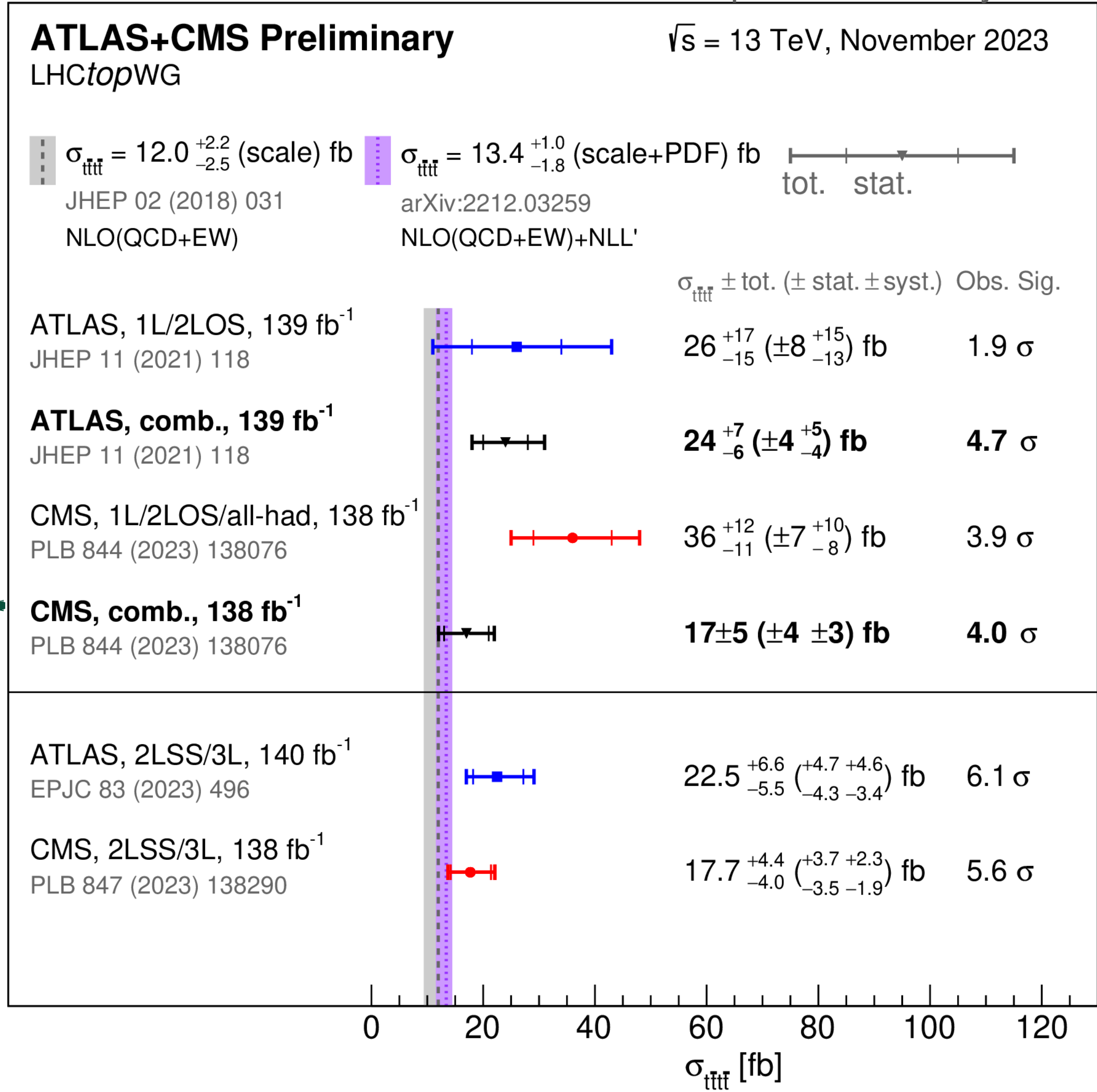
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 - 2LSS/ML EPJC 80 (2020)

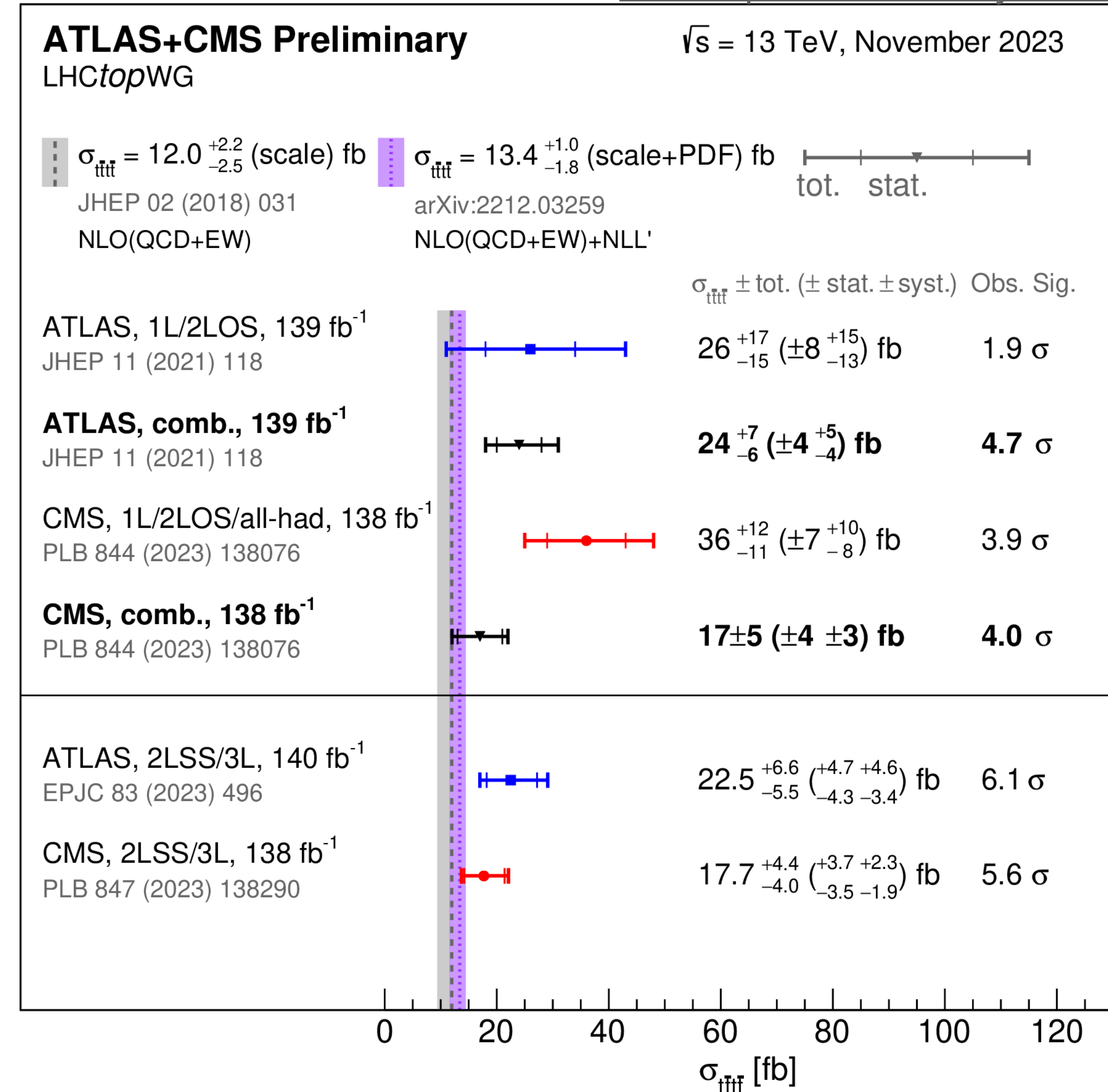
Combination of
 - 1L/2LOS/all-had
 - 2LSS/ML EPJC 80 (2020) 75

Observation in 2LSS/ML
 by ATLAS and CMS



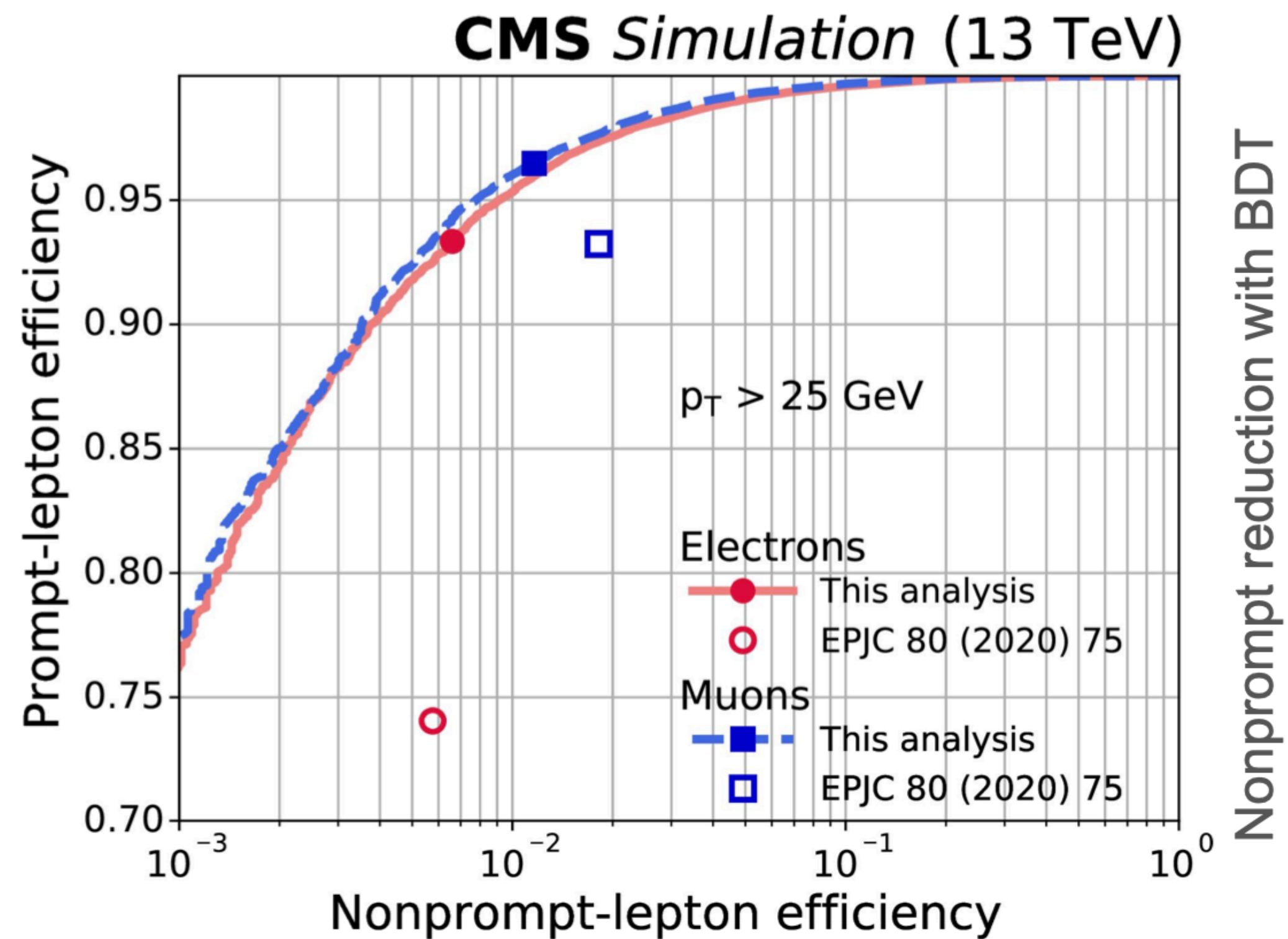
State of the art

- Measurements and searches in all channels
- BSM searches
 - ATLAS
 - 1L/2LOS channels (submitted to EPJC)
 - 2LSS/ML channels (JHEP 07 (2023) 203)
 - resonance search using 1L events (EPJC 84 (2024) 157)
 - CMS
 - dedicated search using partial Run 2 data (EPJC 77 (2017) 578)
 - interpretation of previous 2LSS/ML results (EPJC 80 (2020) 75) to constrain heavy resonances
- Reinterpretation of EFT and Yukawa coupling in various ATLAS/CMS measurements

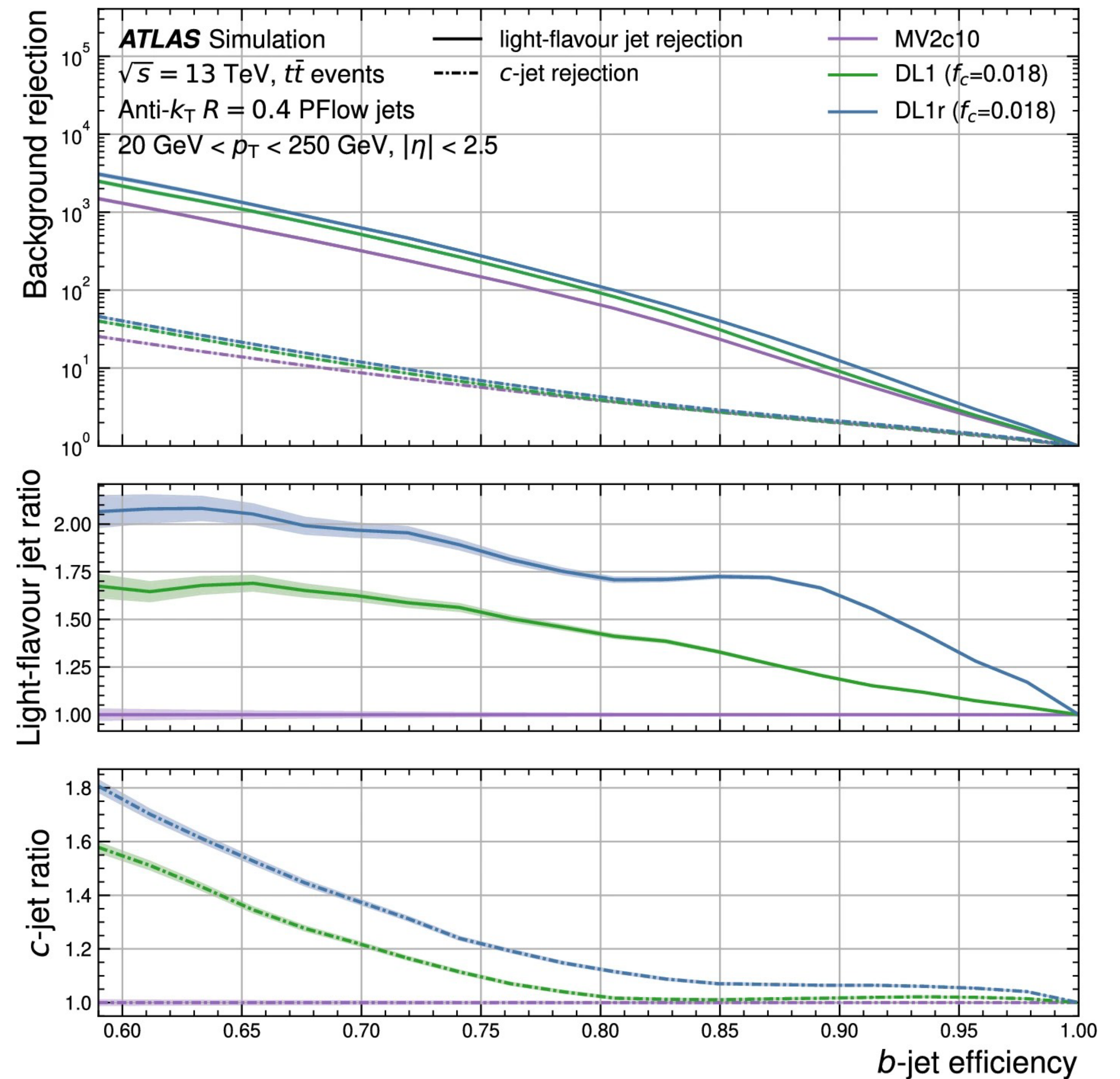


Path to the observation

- Re-analysis of Run 2 data
- Both ATLAS and CMS used 2LSS/ML channel
- Benefited from the improved lepton/b-jet identification and selection

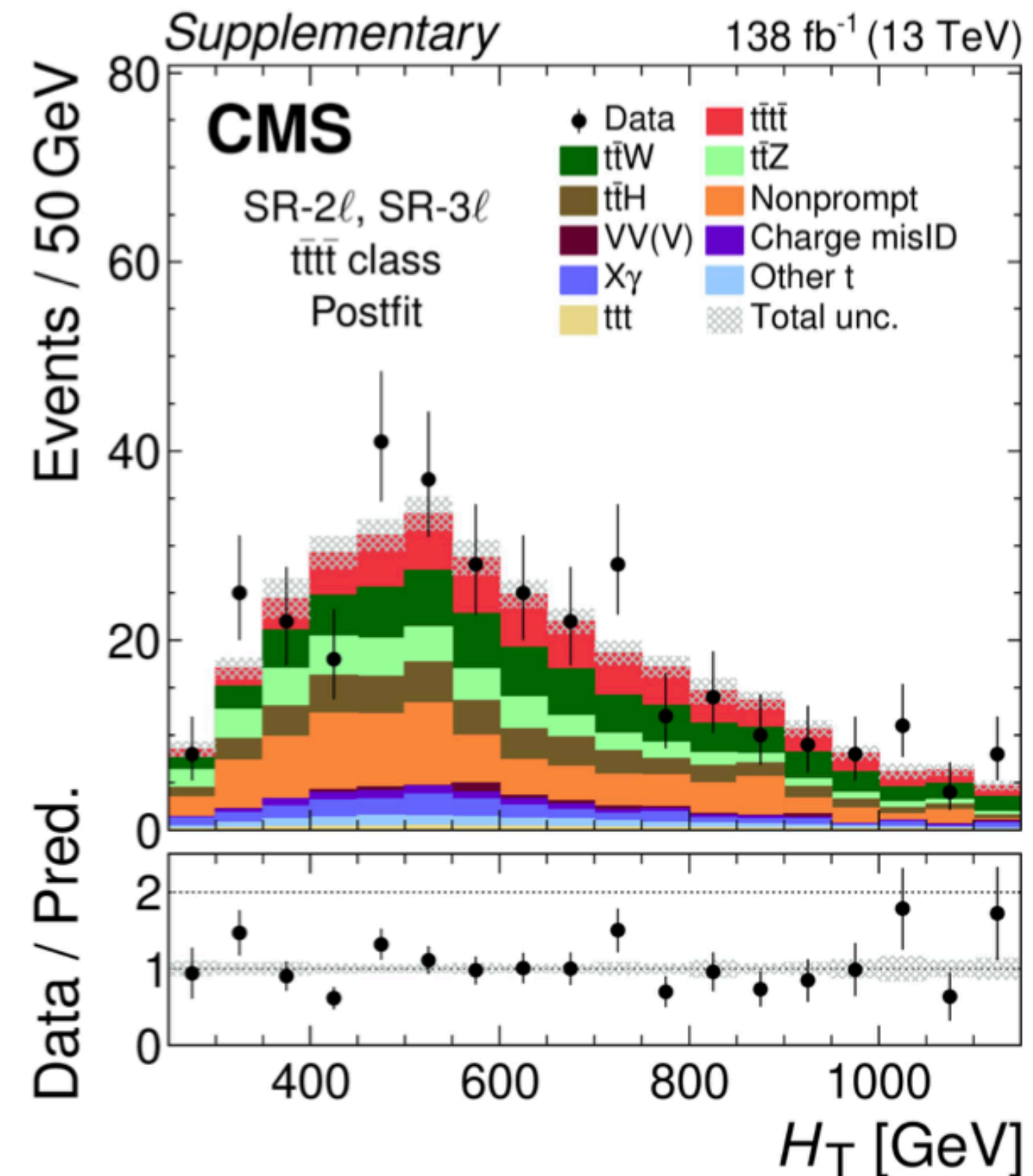
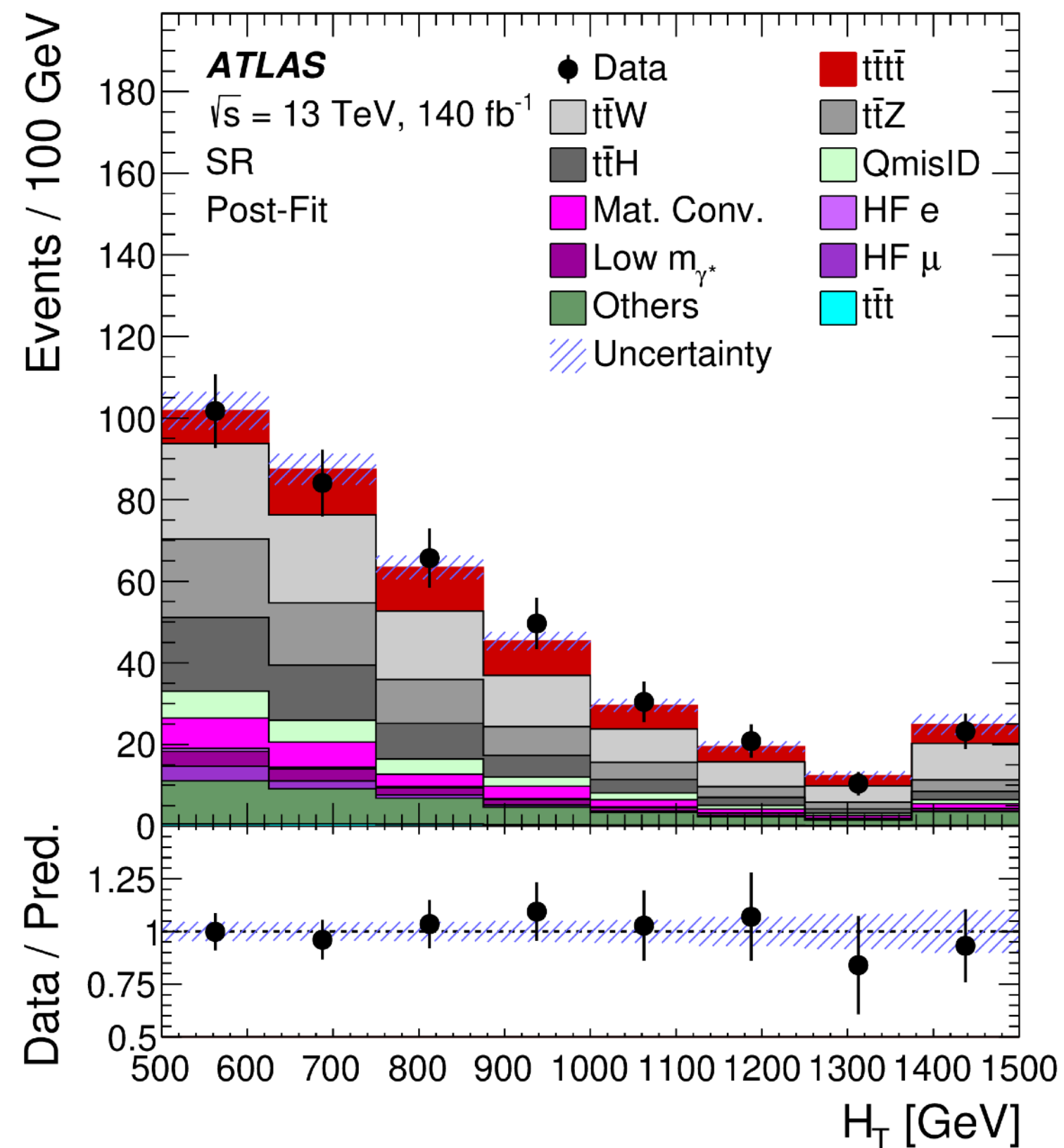


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Path to the observation

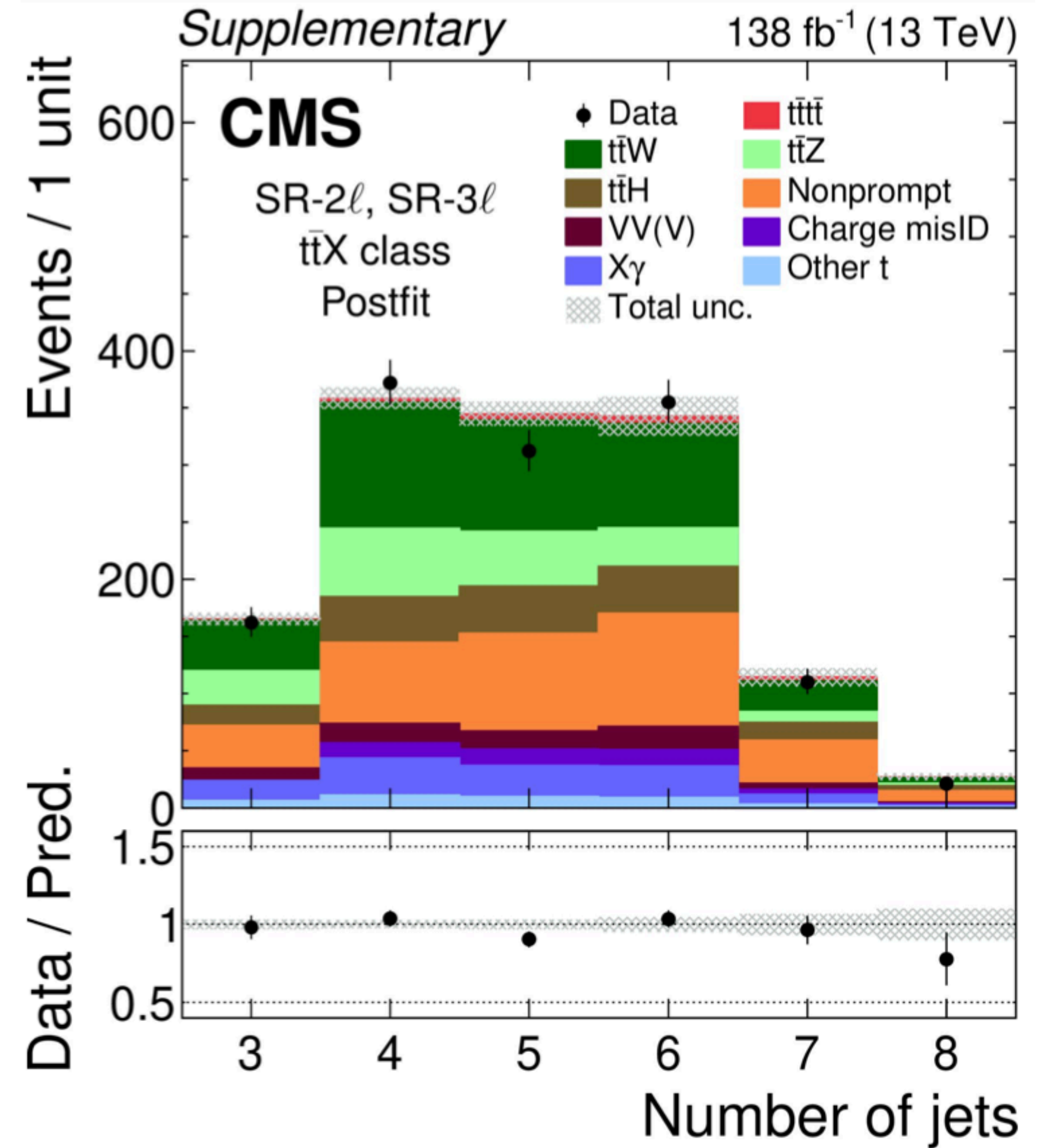
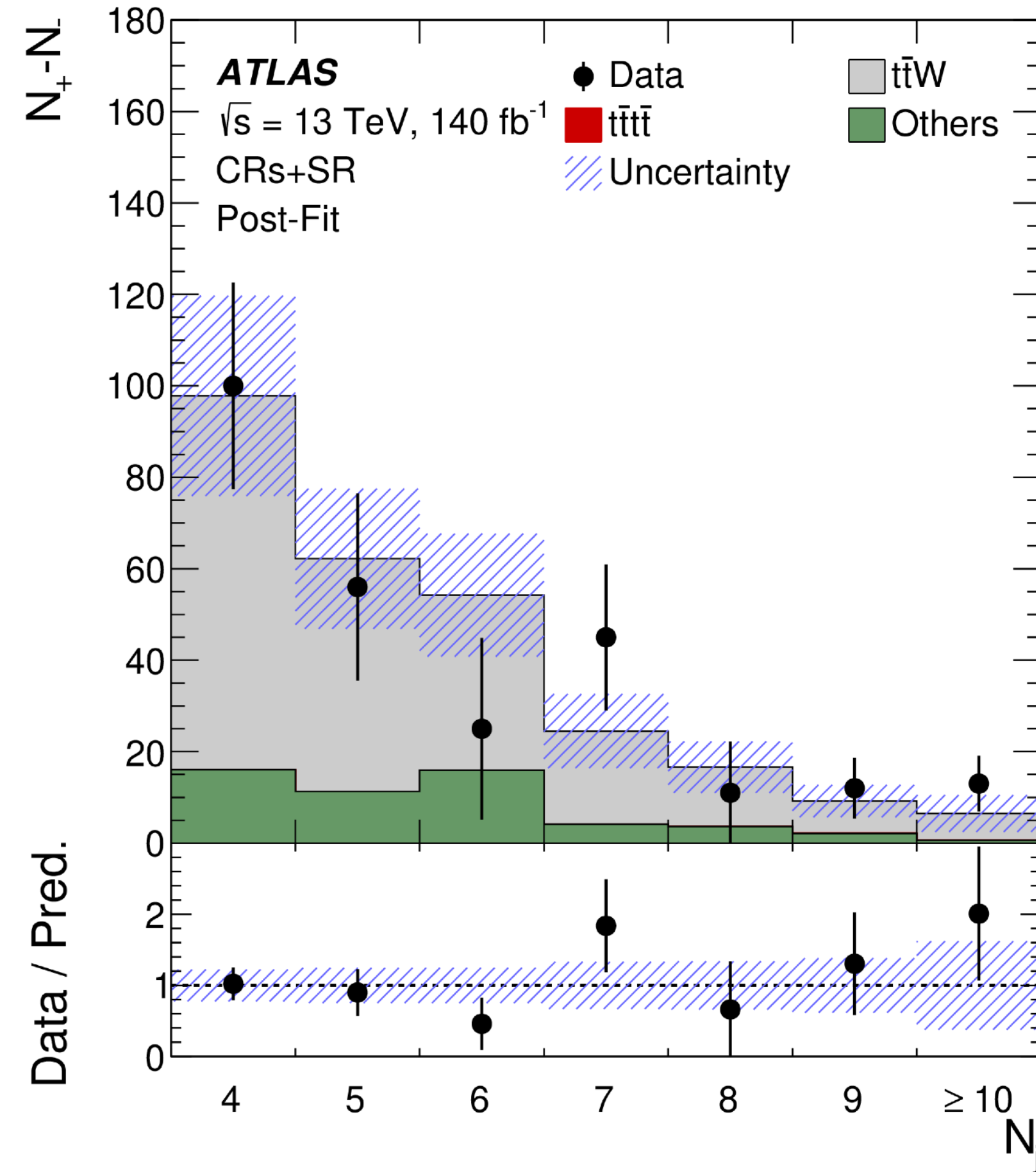
- 2LSS/ML channels have a complicated background composition
- **Reducible** background - mostly from $t\bar{t}$
 - events with non-prompt/fake and charge mis-identified (QmisID) leptons
- **Irreducible** background: $t\bar{t}W/t\bar{t}Z/t\bar{t}H$



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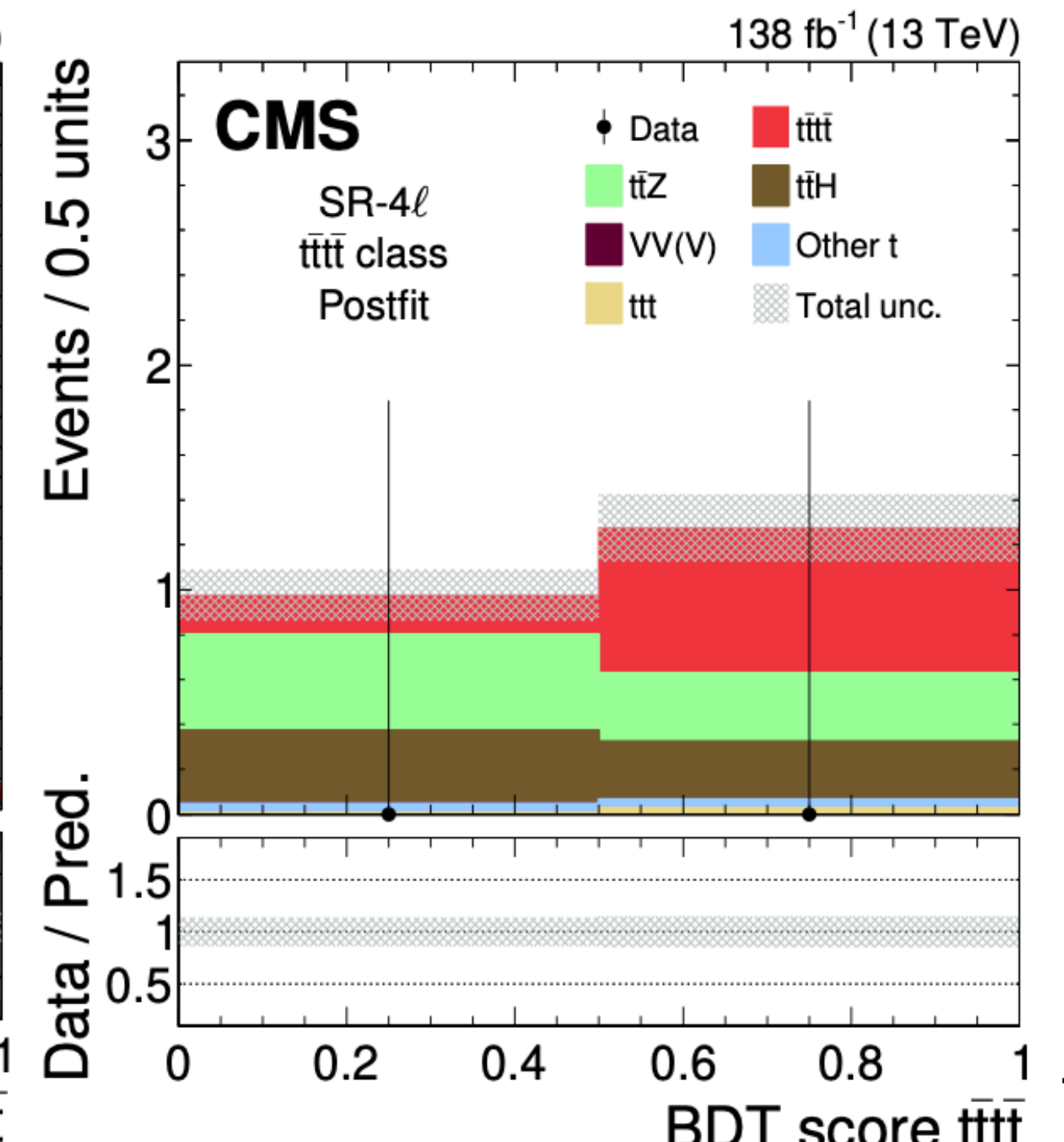
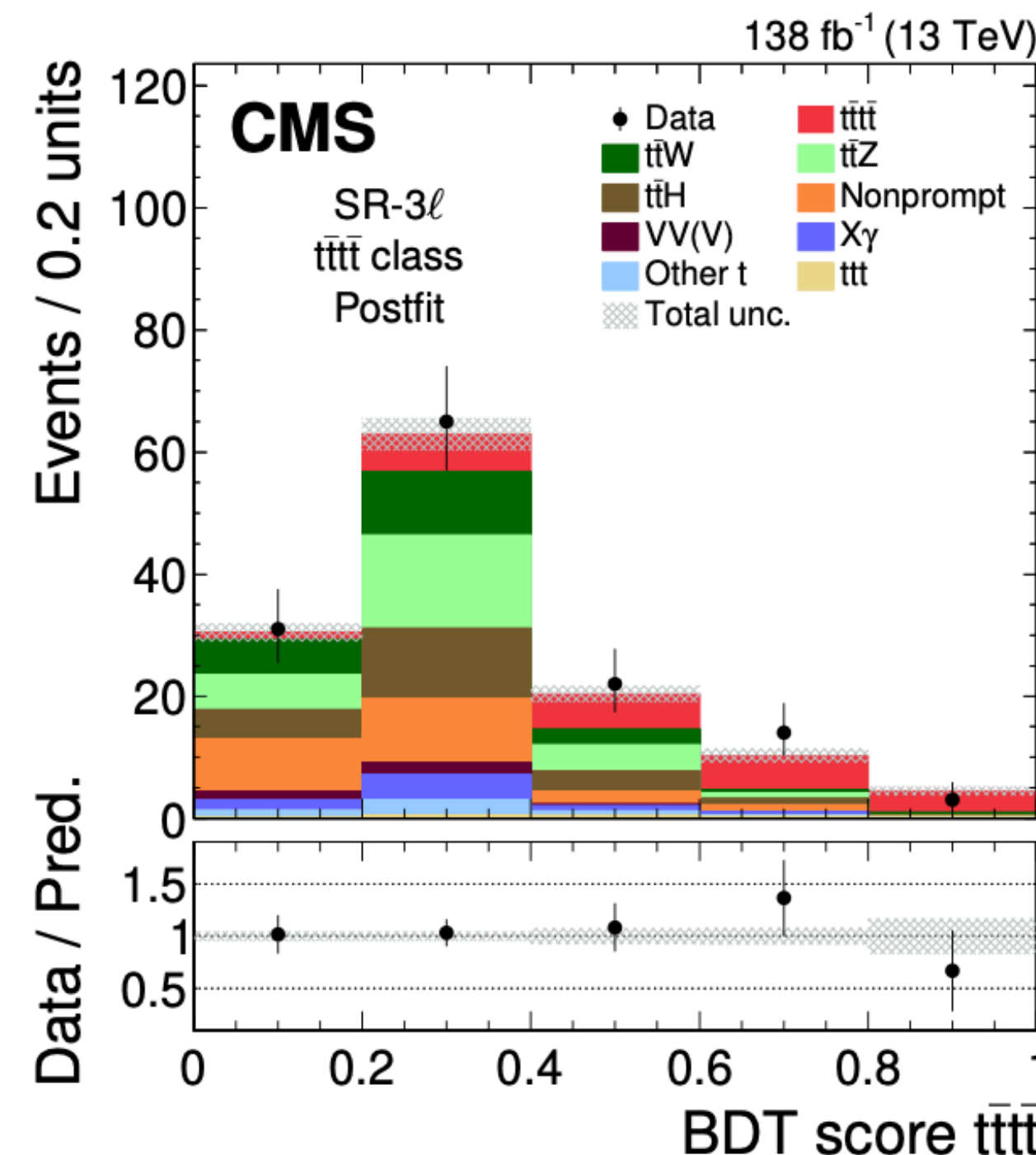
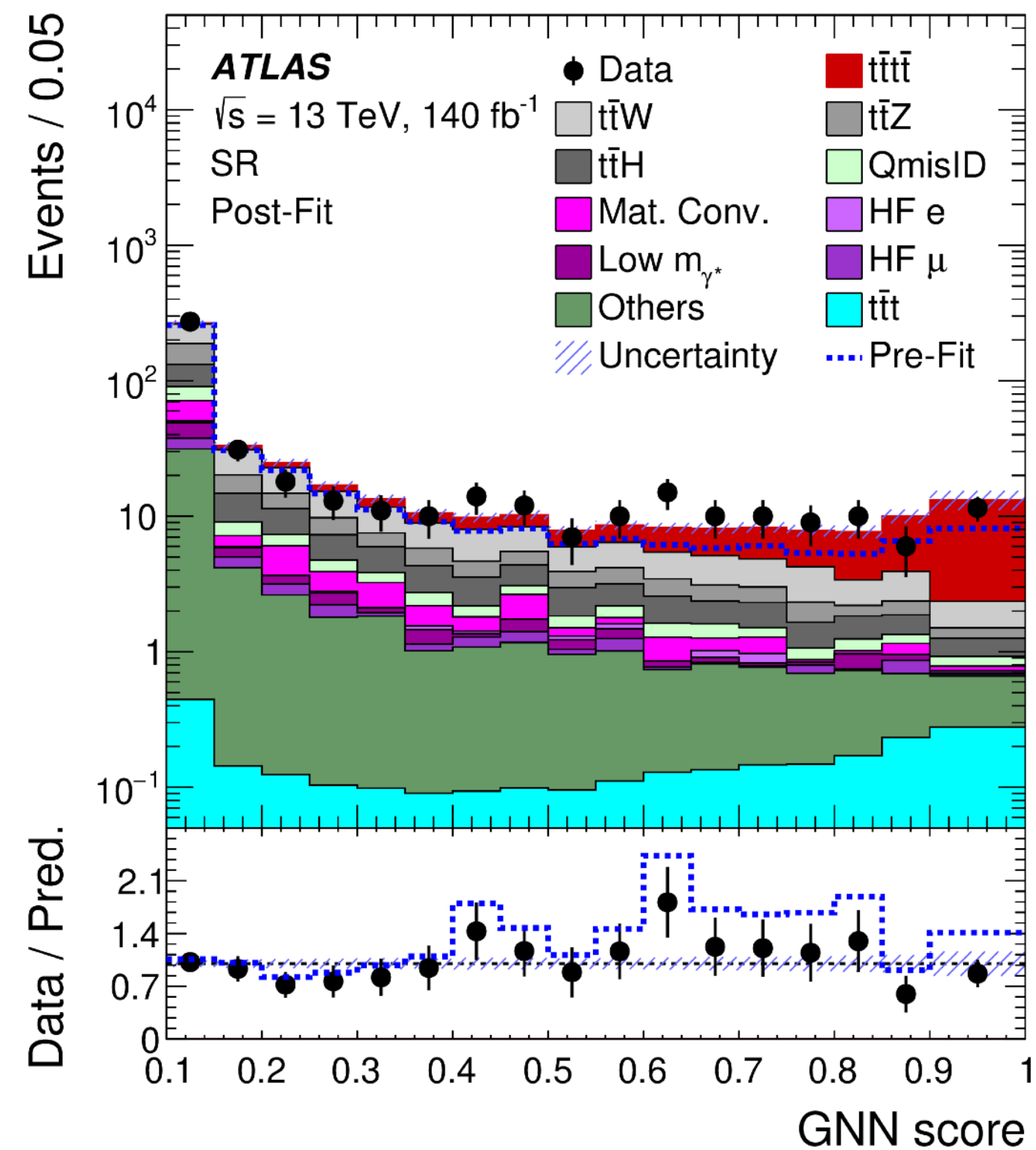
- Non-prompt/fake
 - CMS used classic data-driven method (loose-to-tight ratio)
 - ATLAS had a finer classification:
 - HFe, HF μ , material conversion, internal photon conversion
 - each with a dedicated CR and free-floating normalisation
- $t\bar{t}W$
 - ATLAS: NLO QCD+EW, data-driven N_{jets} distribution ([JHEP 10 \(2012\) 162](#))
$$R_{(j+1)/j} = \frac{N_{j+1}}{N_j} = a_0 + \frac{a_1}{a_2 + j} \quad (a_2 = 0)$$
 - CMS: NLO QCD MC, additional uncertainties based on [JHEP 11 \(2021\) 029](#)
 - free-floating normalisation

Path to the observation



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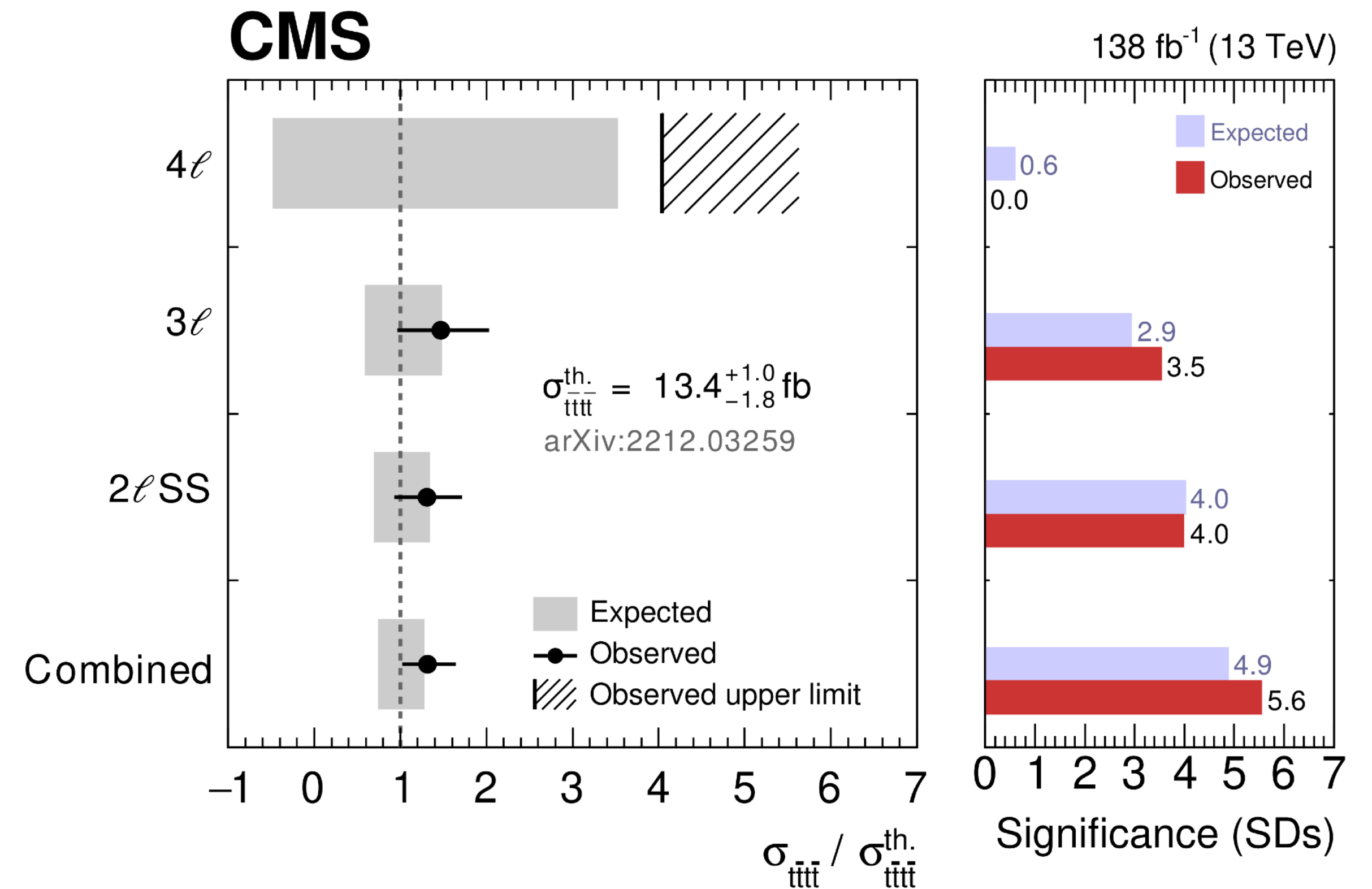
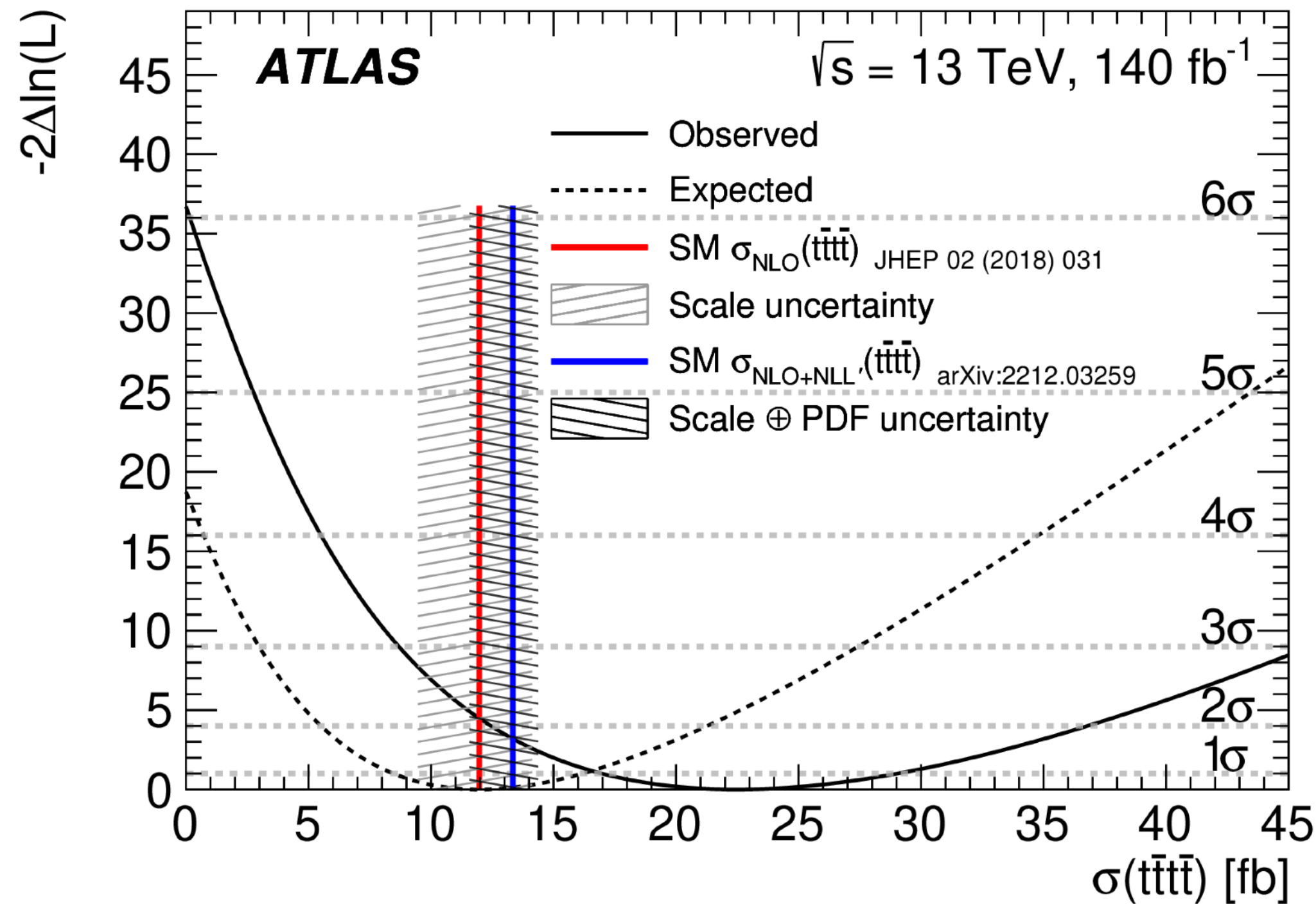
- Key improvement from signal-background discrimination strategy
- **ATLAS** use a single SR: ≥ 6 jets, ≥ 2 b-tagged jets, $H_T > 500$ GeV (scalar sum of lepton/jet p_T)
- Graph Neural Networks (GNN) for S-B separation
 - increased weights in training for ttW with ≥ 7 jets
- **CMS** has a more complicated design of the SR
 - 2LSS, 3L and 4L, with different cuts on number of jets/b-jets and H_T
 - Multi-class BDTs to separating $t\bar{t}t\bar{t}$, $t\bar{t}X$ ($t\bar{t}W/Z/H$) and non-prompt+QmisID



Path to the observation

$$\sigma_{t\bar{t}t\bar{t}} = 22.5^{+4.7}_{-4.3}(\text{stat})^{+4.6}_{-3.4}(\text{syst}) \text{ fb} = 22.5^{+6.6}_{-5.5} \text{ fb}.$$

$$\sigma(t\bar{t}t\bar{t}) = 17.7^{+3.7}_{-3.5}(\text{stat})^{+2.3}_{-1.9}(\text{syst}) \text{ fb}$$

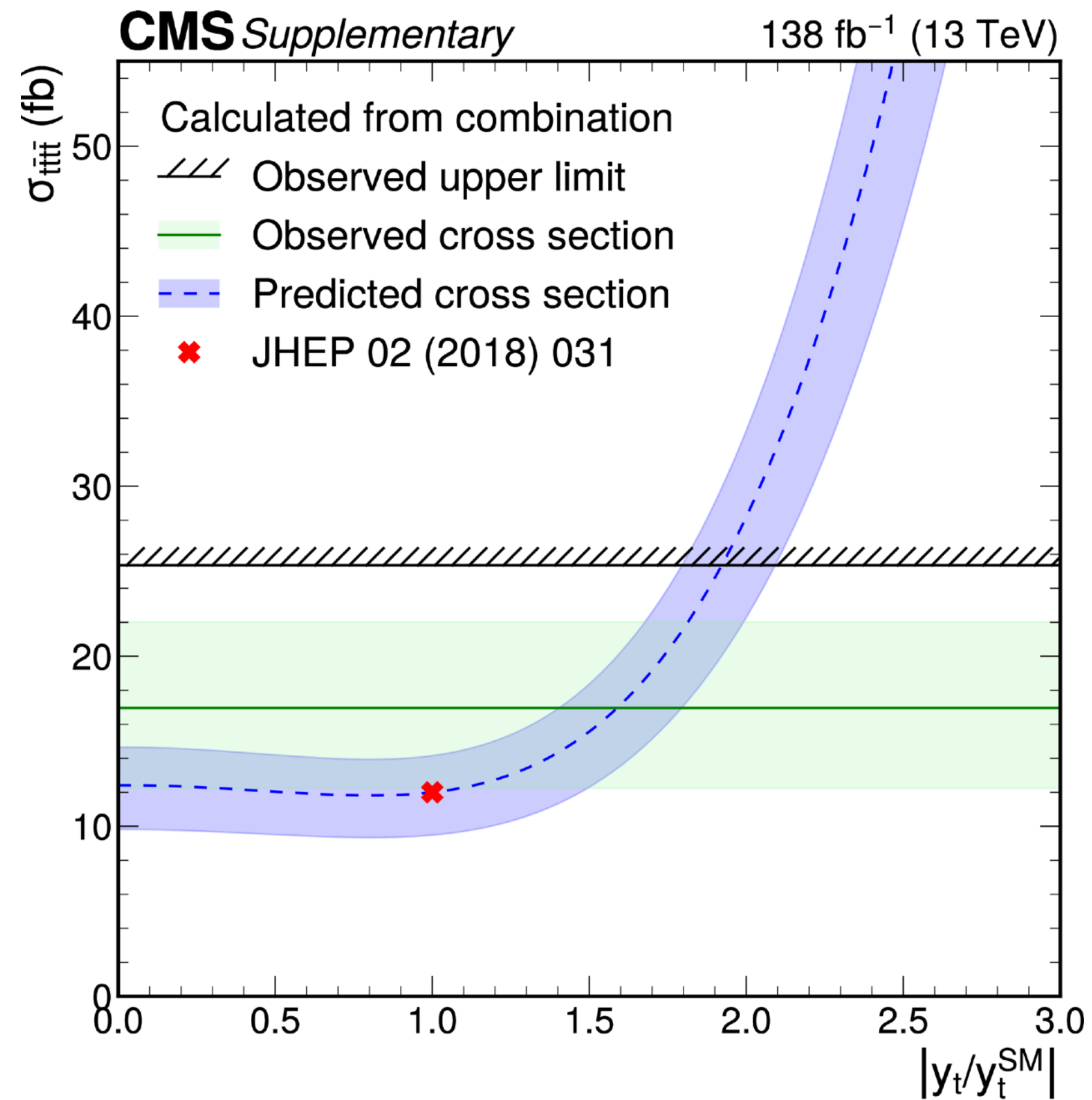


- $t\bar{t}t\bar{t}$ production has an important role (back up slide)

BSM Interpretation – Yukawa coupling

- **Top-Yukawa coupling κ_t and CP mixing**

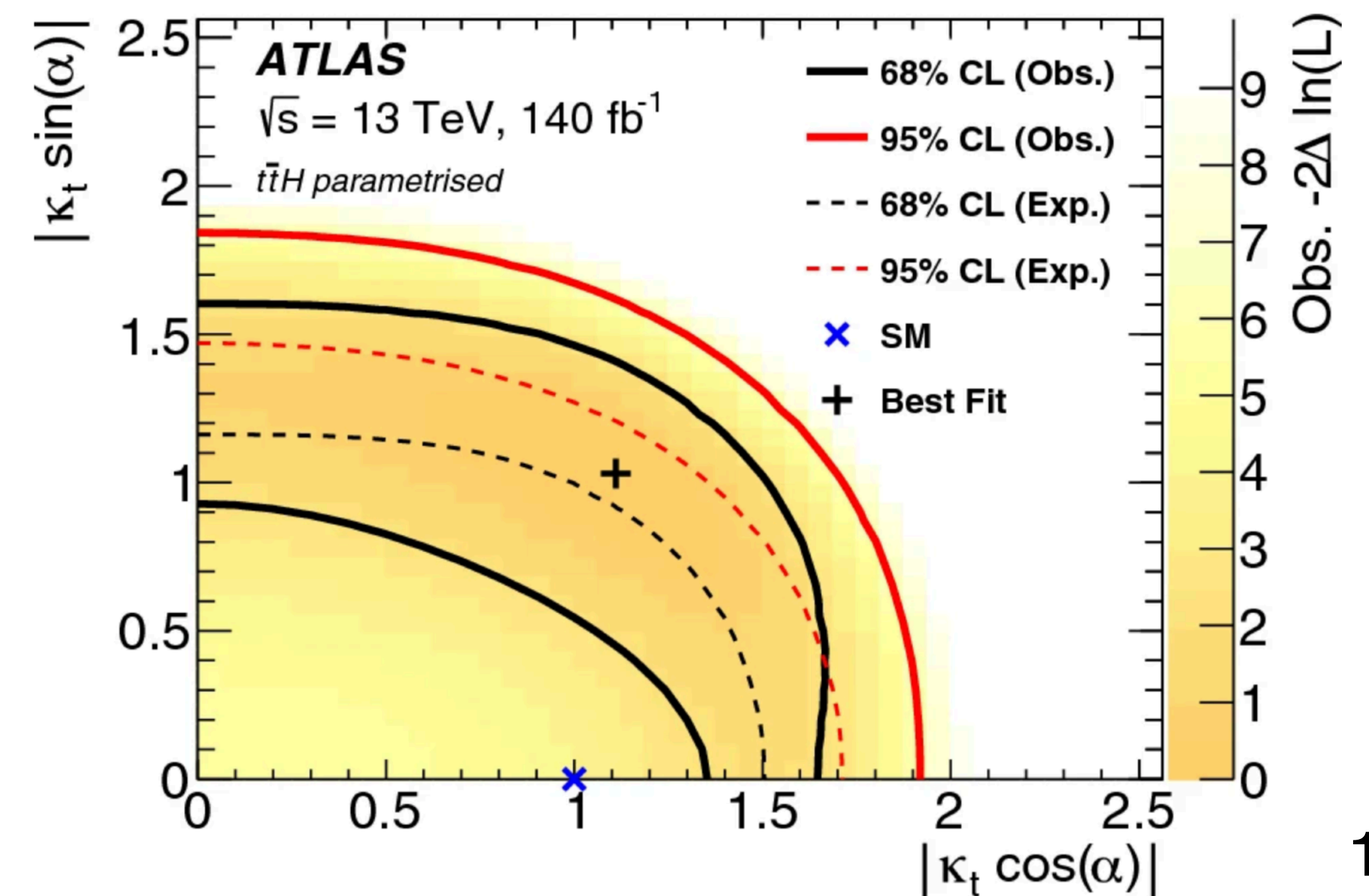
- ATLAS: using the observation results, observed (expected) 95% CL limit $|\kappa_t| < 1.9$ (1.6)
- CMS: using the all-had/1L/2LOS/2LSS/ML combination (best-fit $\mu=1.4$)



- **CP mixing**

- $\mathcal{L}_{t\bar{t}H} = -\kappa_t \phi \bar{\psi}_t (\cos \alpha + i \gamma_5 \sin \alpha) \psi_t$

EPJC 83 (2023) 496, Erratum: EPJC 84 (2024) 156



BSM Interpretation — EFT

- **heavy-heavy type four-fermion operators:**
 - 5 operators with different coupling structures
 - 4 degrees of freedoms

$$\mathcal{O}_{t\bar{t}}^1 = (\bar{t}_R \gamma^\mu t_R)(\bar{t}_R \gamma_\mu t_R)$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{QQ}^1 = (\bar{Q}_L \gamma^\mu Q_L)(\bar{Q}_L \gamma_\mu Q_L)$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{Qt}^1 = (\bar{Q}_L \gamma^\mu Q_L)(\bar{t}_R \gamma_\mu t_R)$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{Qt}^8 = (\bar{Q}_L \gamma^\mu T^A Q_L)(\bar{t}_R \gamma_\mu T^A t_R)$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{QQ}^8 = (\bar{Q}_L \gamma^\mu T^A Q_L)(\bar{Q}_L \gamma_\mu T^A Q_L)$$

t_R : right-handed weak isospin singlet

Q_L : left-handed weak isospin doublet

CMS 1L/2LOS channel + 2LSS/ML channel using
35.9 fb⁻¹ Run 2 data (2018)

- best-fit $\mu = 1.4_{-1.0}^{+1.2}$

Operator	Expected C_k/Λ^2 (TeV ⁻²)	Observed (TeV ⁻²)
$\mathcal{O}_{t\bar{t}}^1$	[-2.0, 1.9]	[-2.2, 2.1]
\mathcal{O}_{QQ}^1	[-2.0, 1.9]	[-2.2, 2.0]
\mathcal{O}_{Qt}^1	[-3.4, 3.3]	[-3.7, 3.5]
\mathcal{O}_{Qt}^8	[-7.4, 6.3]	[-8.0, 6.8]

ATLAS observation results

Operators	Expected C_i/Λ^2 [TeV ⁻²]	Observed C_i/Λ^2 [TeV ⁻²]
\mathcal{O}_{QQ}^1	[-2.5, 3.2]	[-4.0, 4.5]
\mathcal{O}_{Qt}^1	[-2.6, 2.1]	[-3.8, 3.4]
$\mathcal{O}_{t\bar{t}}^1$	[-1.2, 1.4]	[-1.9, 2.1]
\mathcal{O}_{Qt}^8	[-4.3, 5.1]	[-6.9, 7.6]

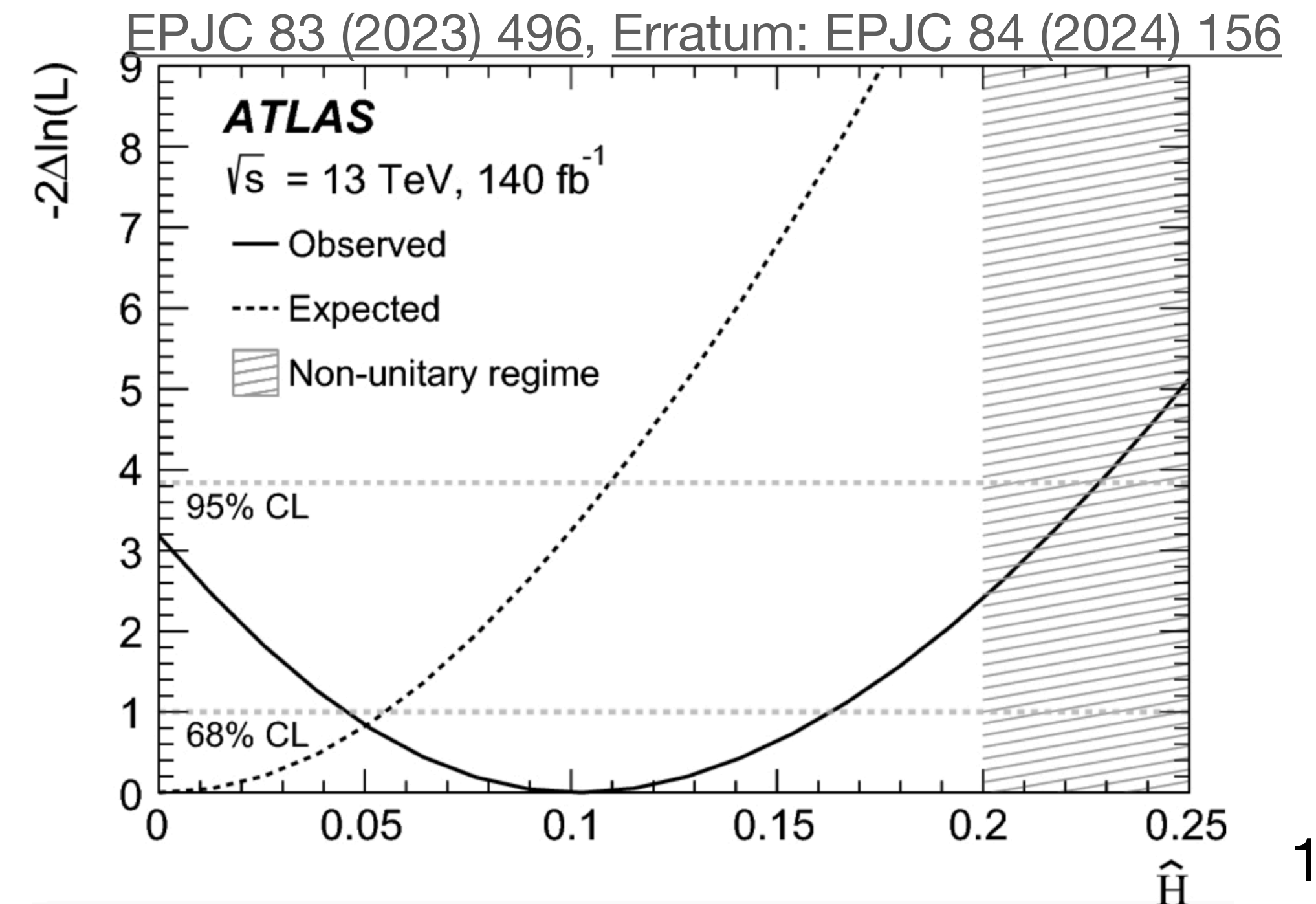
BSM Interpretation – EFT

- **Higgs oblique parameter \hat{H}** modifies the propagation of the SM Higgs boson

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A. Greljo, M. McCullough

$$\mathcal{L}_{\hat{H}} = \frac{\hat{H}}{m_h^2} |D^\mu D_\mu H|^2$$

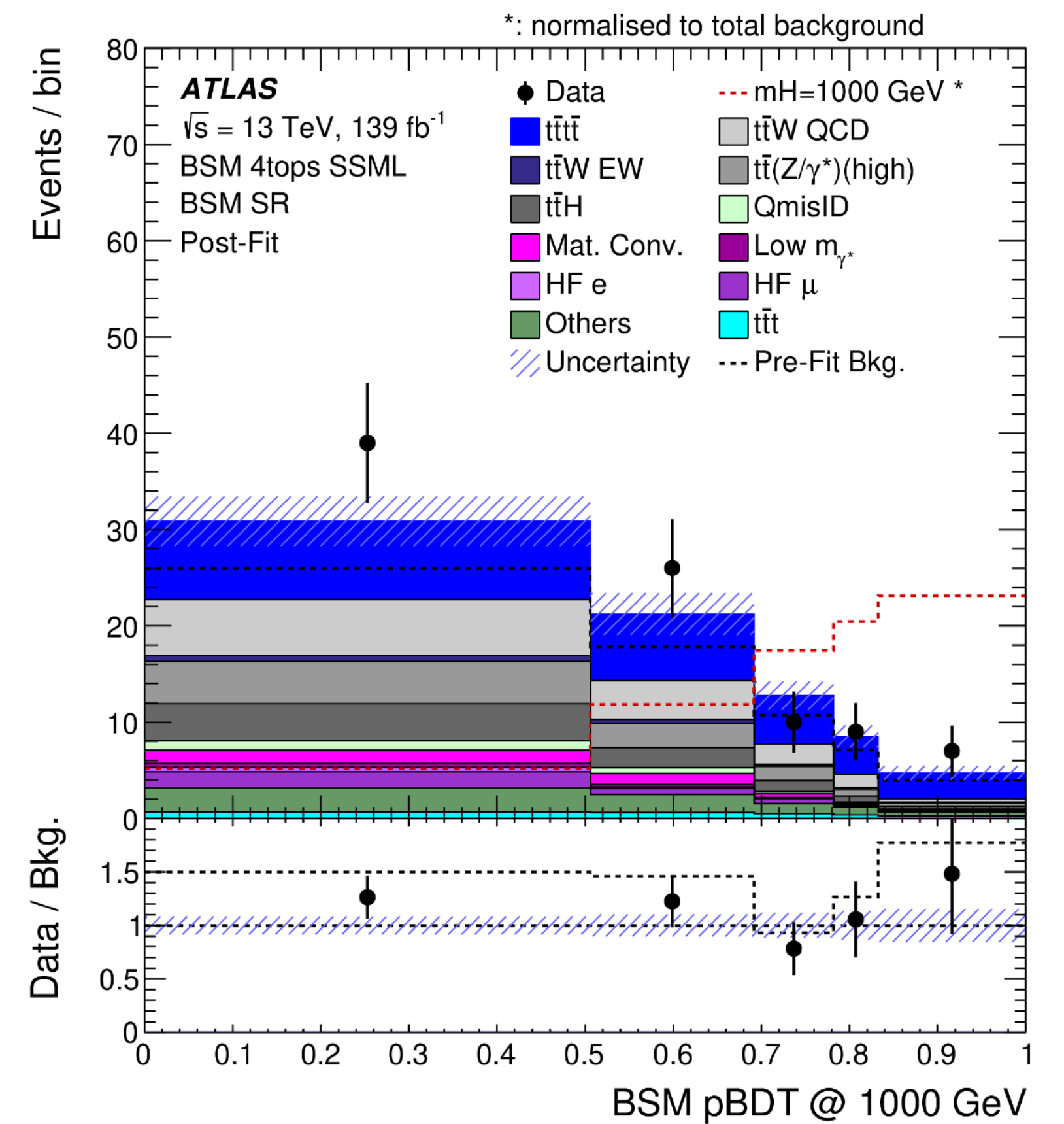
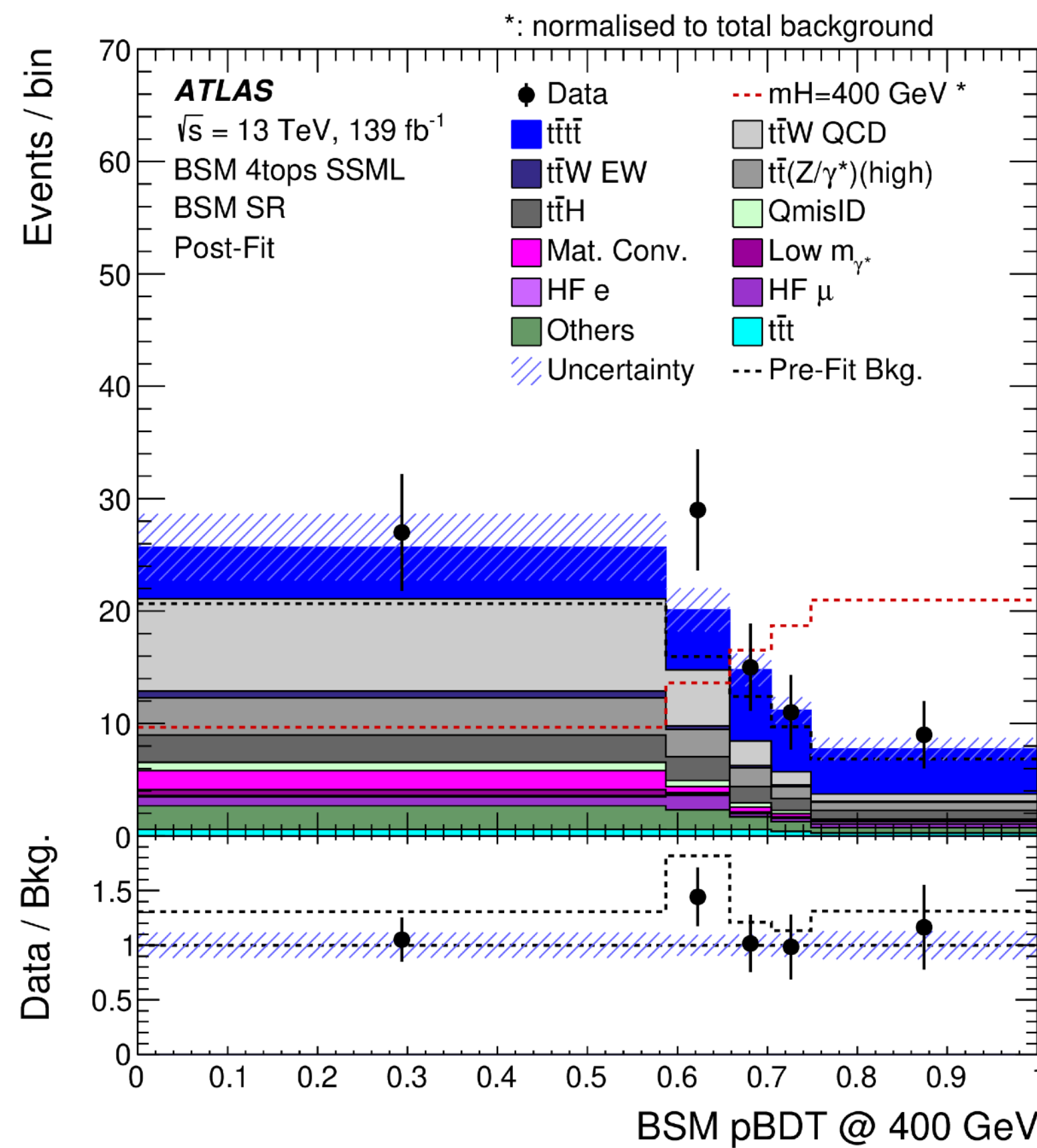
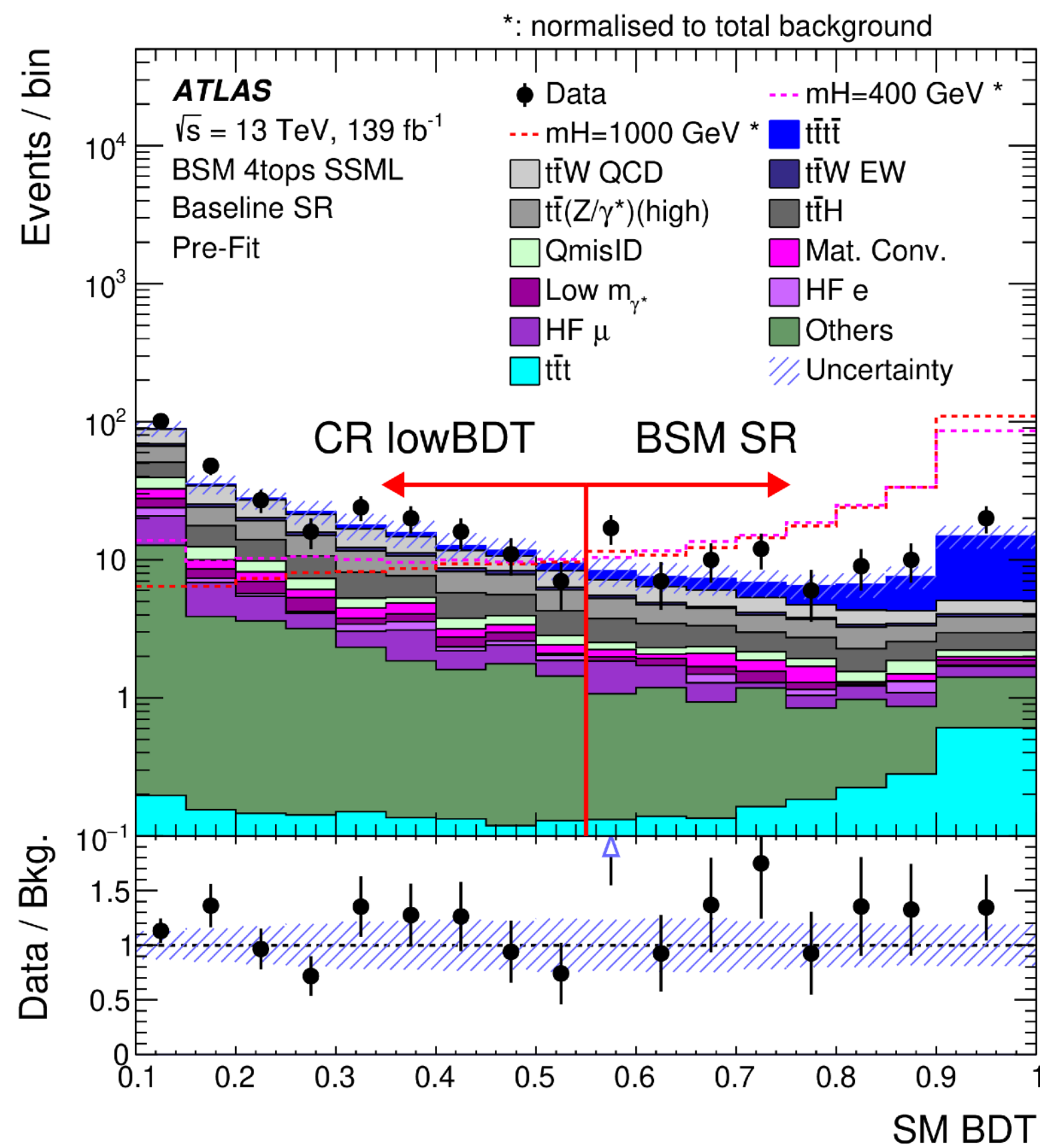
- Better sensitivity via $t\bar{t}t\bar{t}$ production than on-shell Higgs production in other channels
- 95% CL upper limit
 - CMS interpretation of the previous 2LSS/ML results (best-fit $\mu = 1.0$)
 - $\hat{H} < 0.12$
 - ATLAS interpretation of the observation result
 - $\hat{H} < 0.23$ (0.11) observed (expected)



Search for 2HDM $t\bar{t}A/H \rightarrow t\bar{t}t\bar{t}$

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- ATLAS 2LSS/ML channel: similar strategy as the observation analysis
- Additional BDT to separate BSM vs SM $t\bar{t}t\bar{t}$

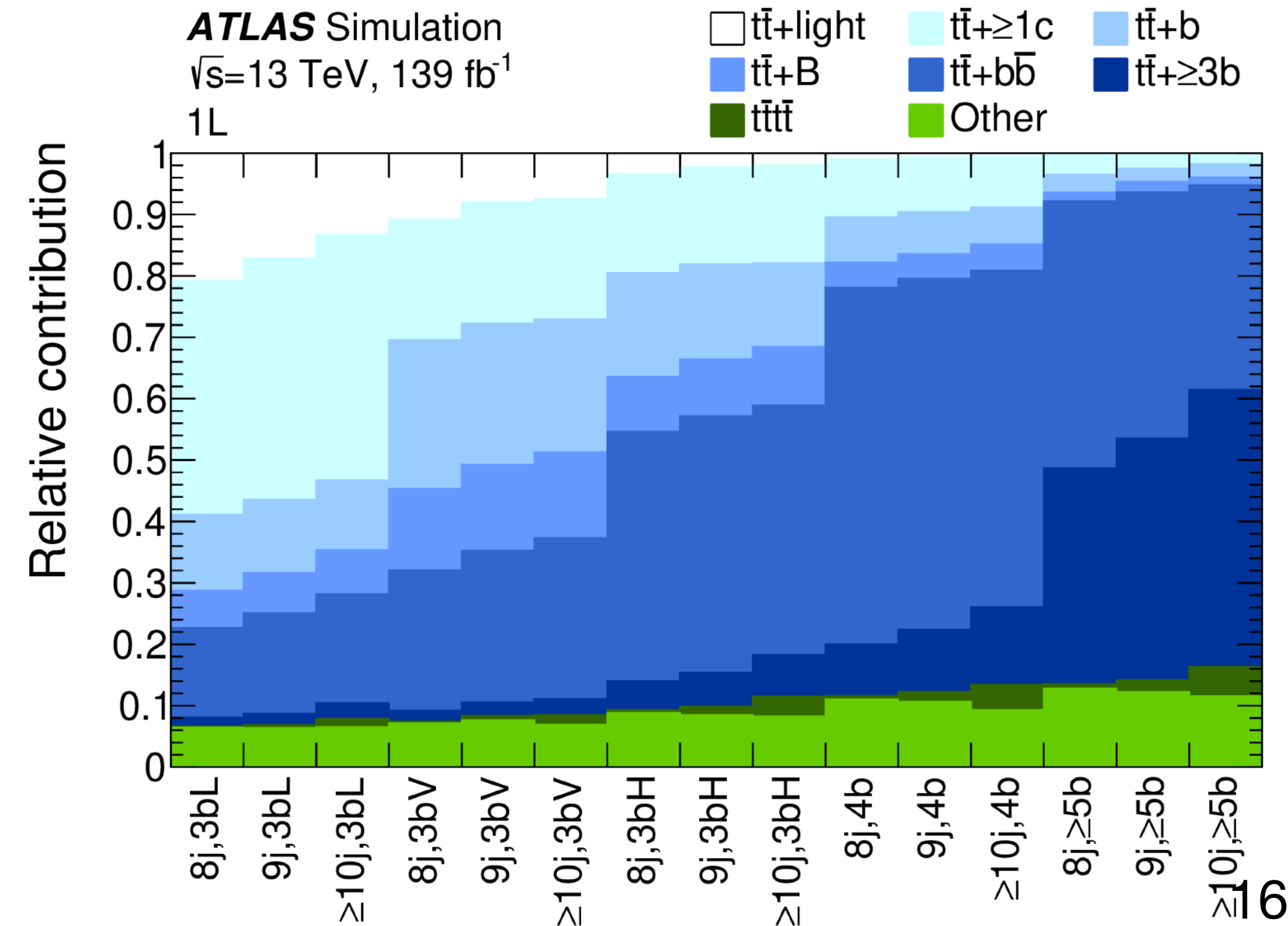


Search for 2HDM $t\bar{t}A/H \rightarrow t\bar{t}t\bar{t}$

3bL = Light-flavour enriched
 3bH = Heavy-flavour enriched
 3bV = Validation region

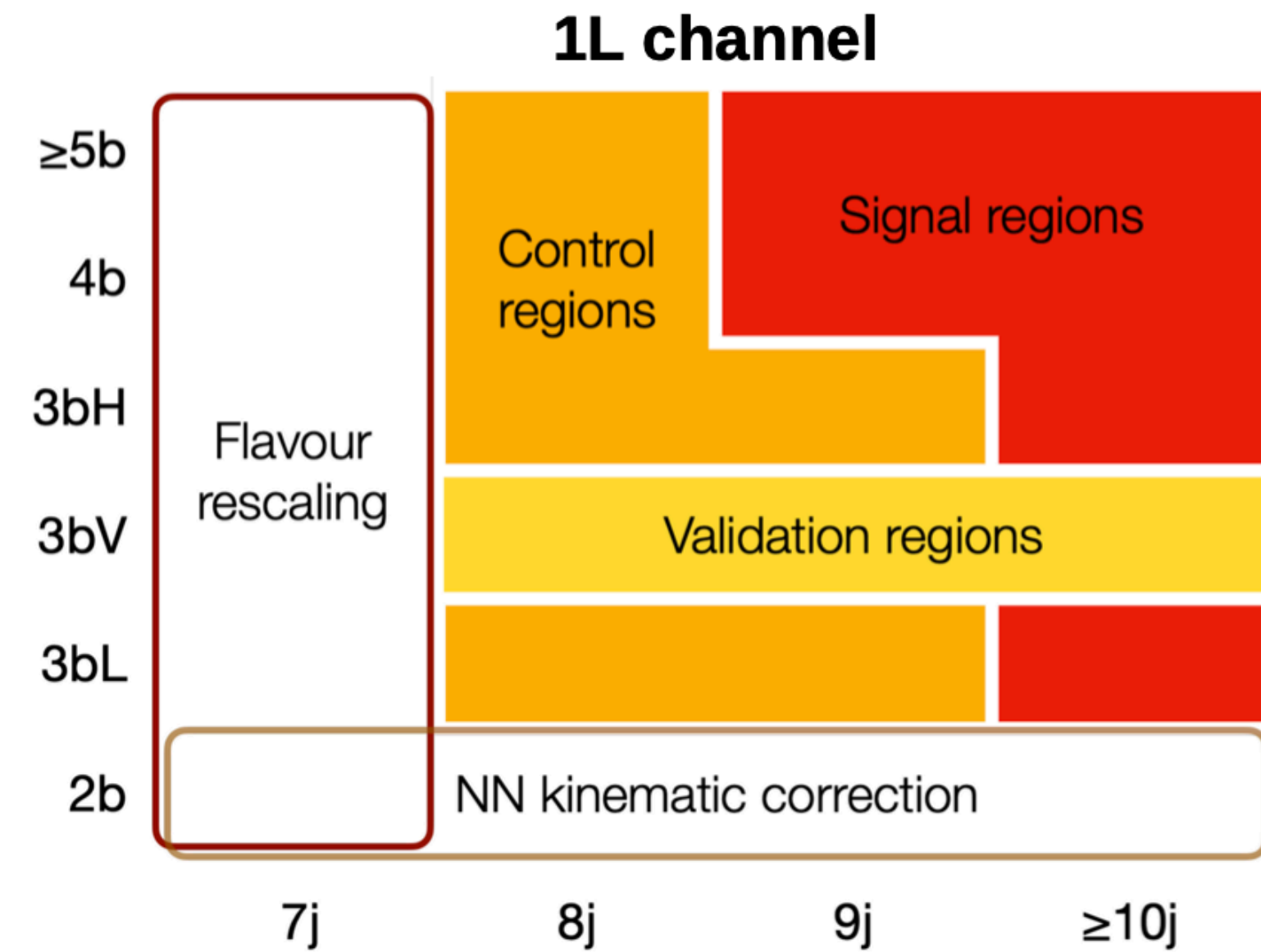
- **ATLAS 1L/2LOS channel ([arXiv:2408.17164](https://arxiv.org/abs/2408.17164), submitted to EPJC)**
- Events categorised using number of jets and various b-tagging requirements
- The b-tagging requirements enhance separation between different $t\bar{t}$ subcategories: $t\bar{t}+\geq 1b$, $t\bar{t}+\geq 1c$ and $t\bar{t}+\text{light}$
 - using particle-level jets matched to b/c hadrons
 - $t\bar{t}+\geq 1b$: $t\bar{t}+b/B/bb/\geq 3b$
 - according to number of jets matched to b-hadrons
 - b vs. B: a single vs. a pair of b-hadrons matched to a particle-level jet

Name	$N_b^{60\%}$	$N_b^{70\%}$	$N_b^{85\%}$
2b	-	= 2	-
3bL	≤ 2	= 3	-
3bH	= 3	= 3	> 3
3bV	= 3	= 3	= 3
$\geq 4b$ (2LOS)	-	≥ 4	-
4b (1L)	-	= 4	-
$\geq 5b$ (1L)	-	≥ 5	-

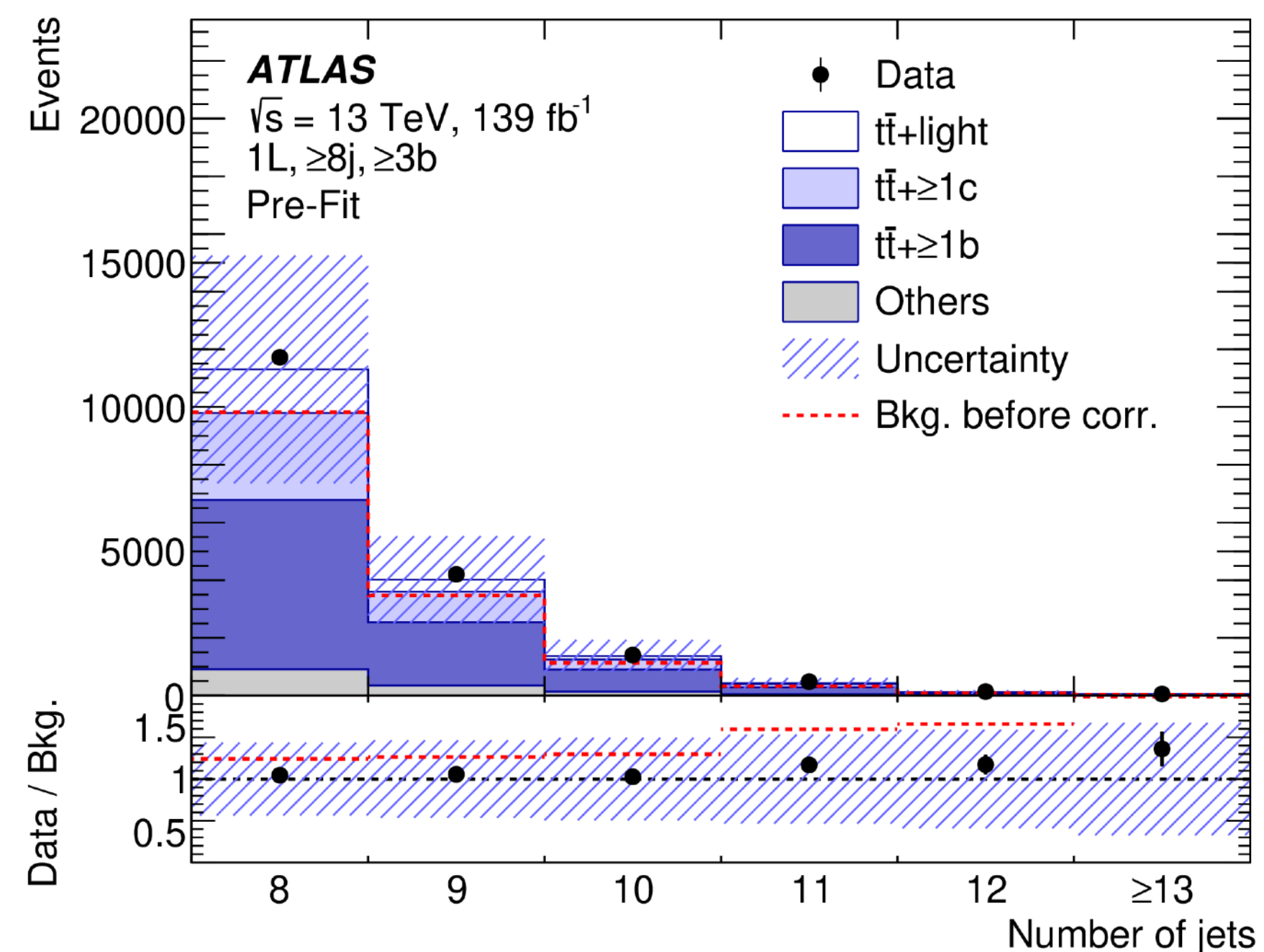
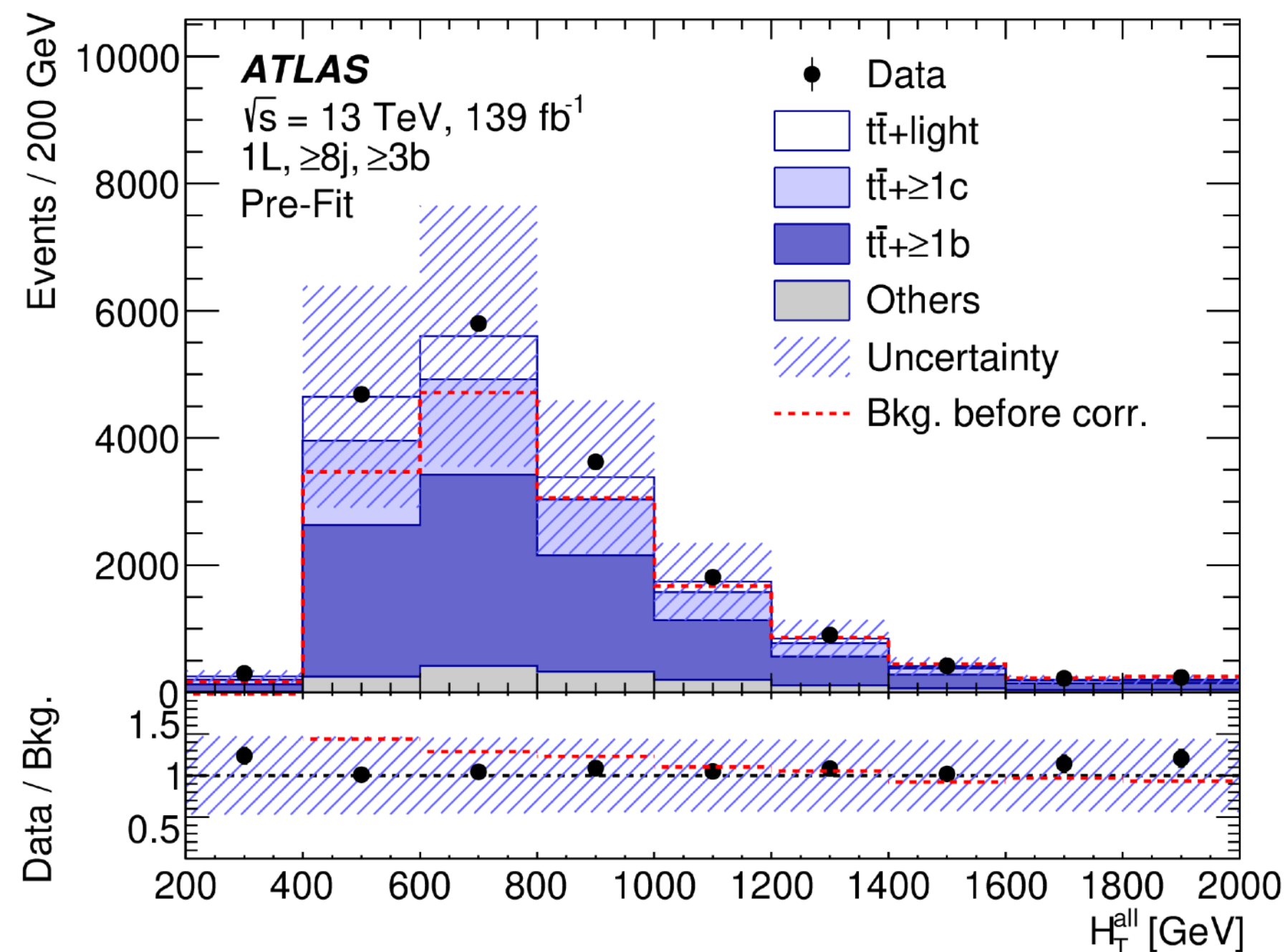


Search for 2HDM $t\bar{t}A/H \rightarrow t\bar{t}t\bar{t}$

- Data-driven corrections on $t\bar{t}$ +jets background
 - Flavour rescaling: correct normalisation of $t\bar{t}+\geq 1b$, $t\bar{t}+\geq 1c$ and $t\bar{t}$ +light
 - Multi-dimensional kinematic reweighting based a neural network (NN) trained as a binary classifier of data vs. $t\bar{t}$ simulation

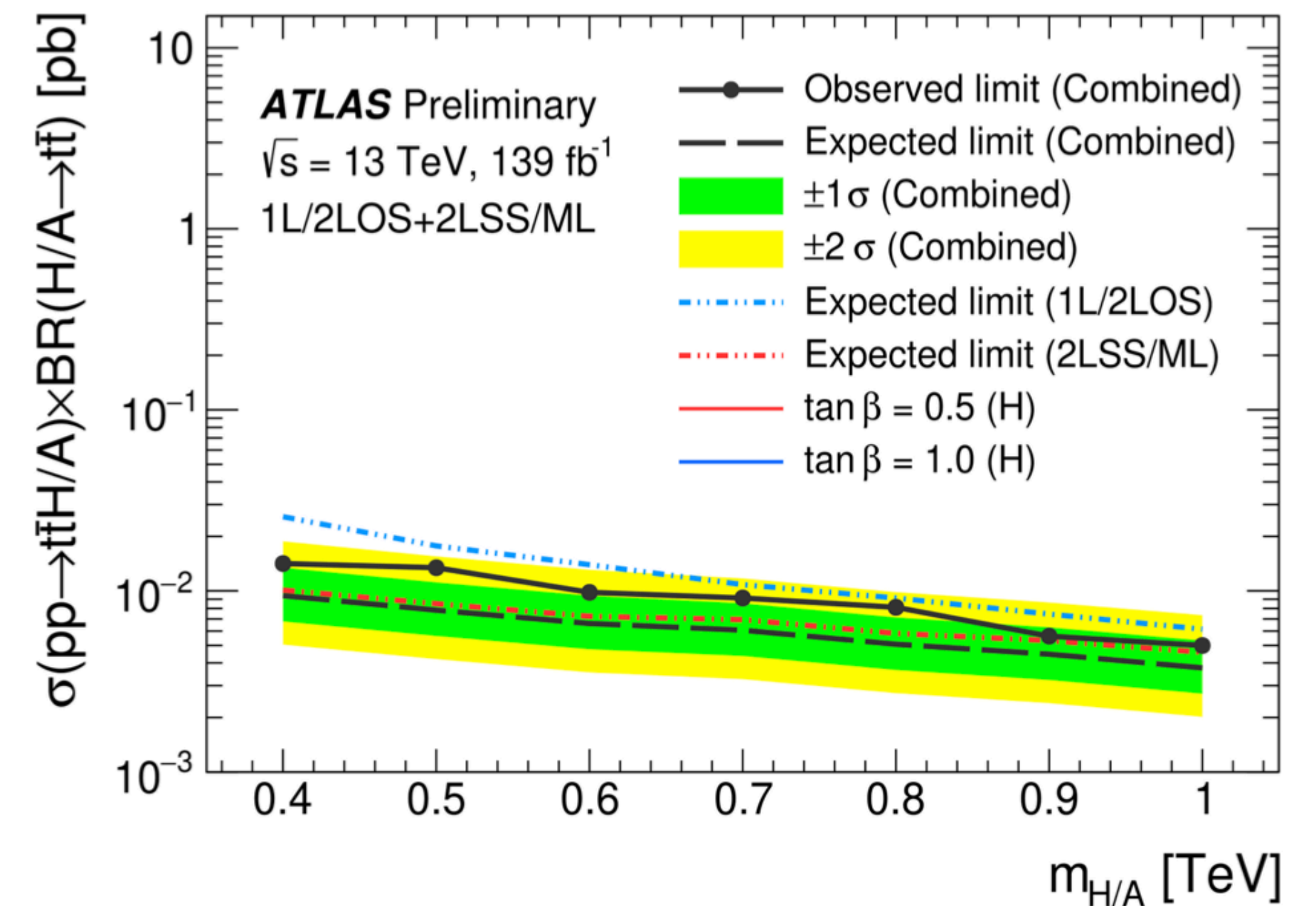
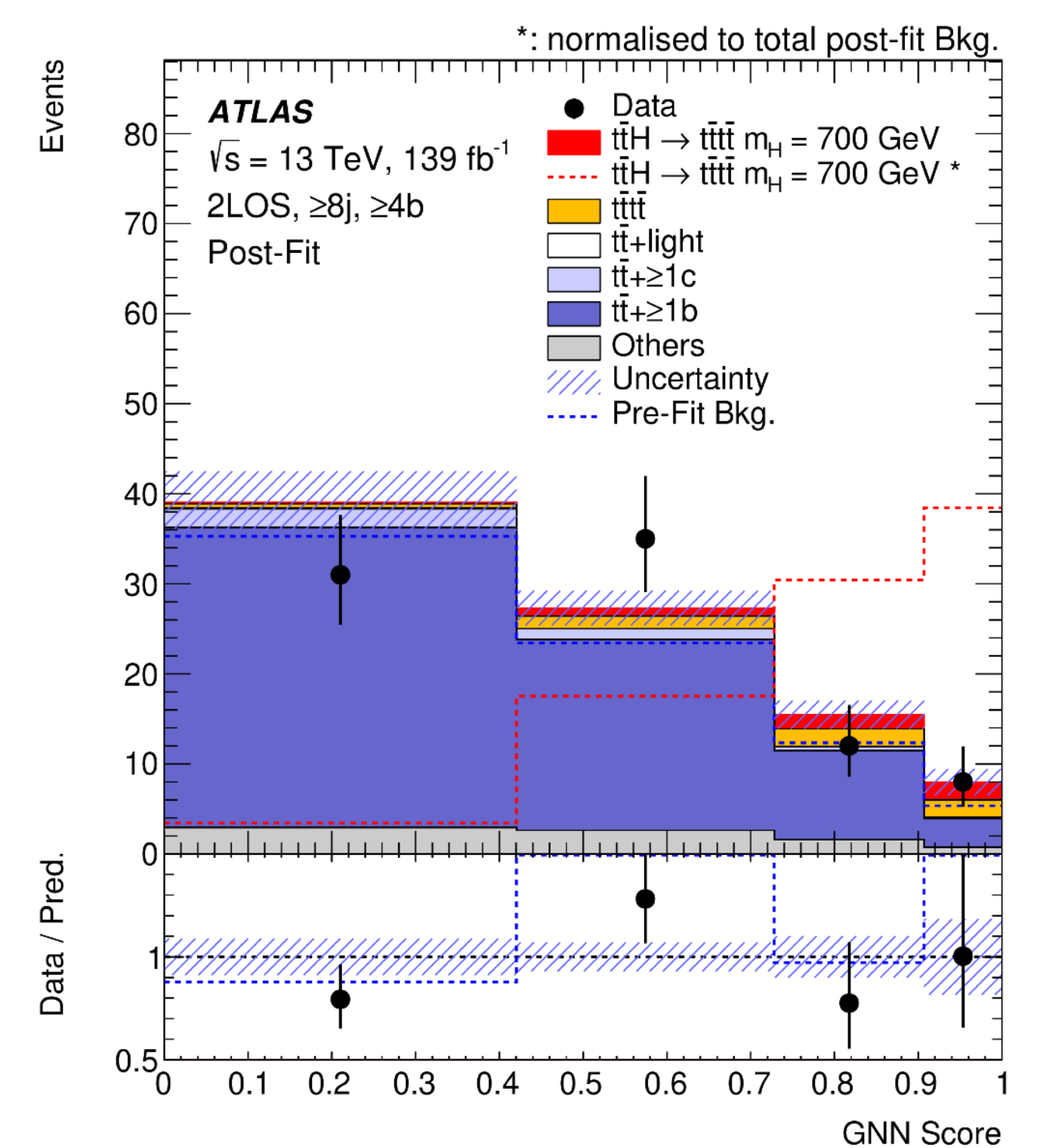


$$O(\mathbf{x}) = P(\text{data}|\mathbf{x}) = \frac{\alpha_{\text{data}} P_{\text{data}}(\mathbf{x})}{\alpha_{\text{data}} P_{\text{data}}(\mathbf{x}) + \alpha_{\text{sim}} P_{\text{sim}}(\mathbf{x})} \quad w(\mathbf{x}) = e^{O(\mathbf{x})}$$



Search for 2HDM $t\bar{t}A/H \rightarrow t\bar{t}t\bar{t}$

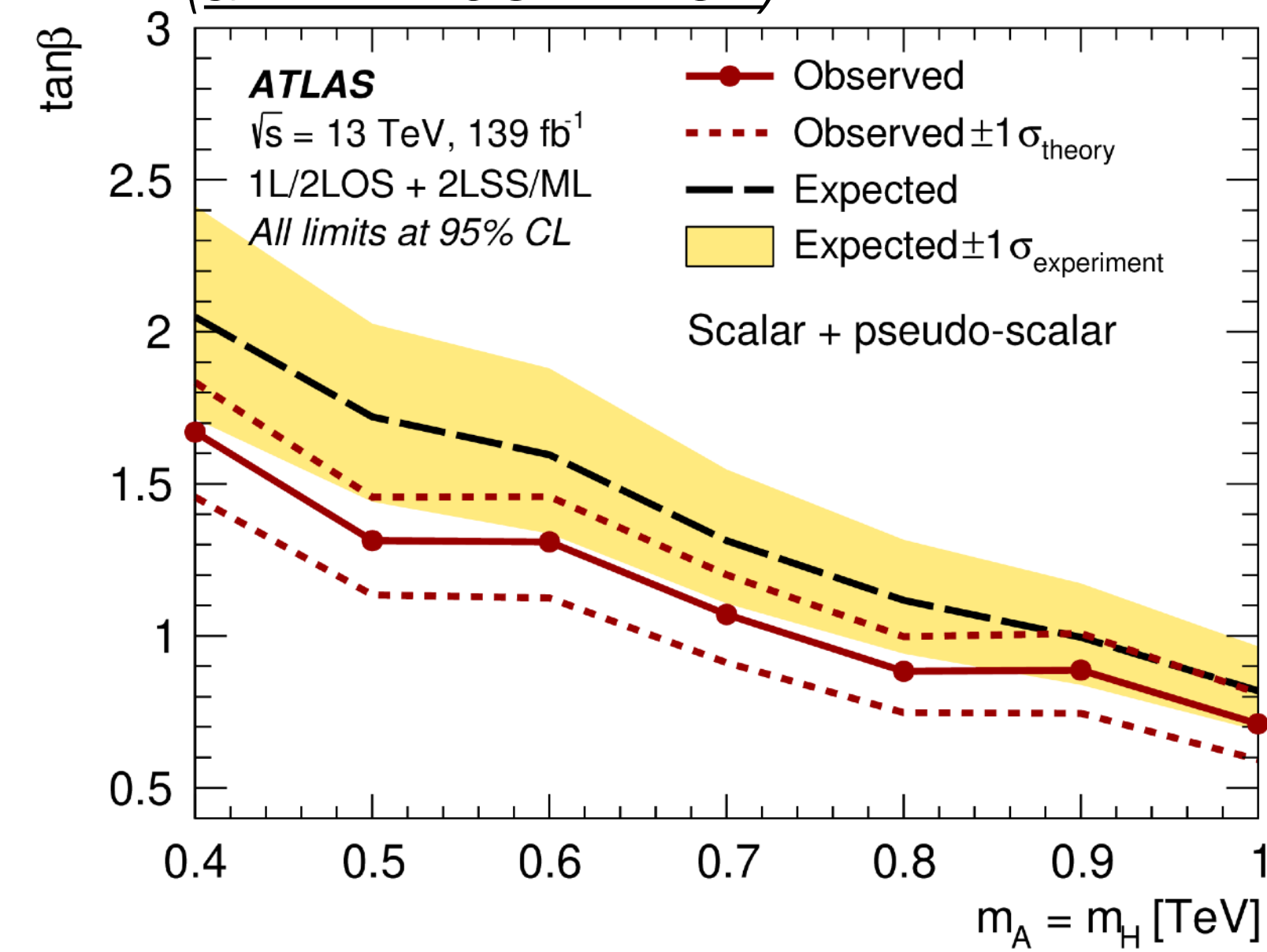
- GNN to optimise the signal-background discrimination
 - A list of higher-level variables (sum of jet b-tag scores, H_T , ...) included as global features
 - helps with the validation of the background modelling
 - the training converge faster and less prone to training statistics
- In final fit SM $t\bar{t}t\bar{t}$ cross-section is fixed to the prediction
- Combined with the 2LSS/ML results
 - 2LSS/ML drives the sensitivity
 - 1L/2LOS introduces a larger improvement at high masses



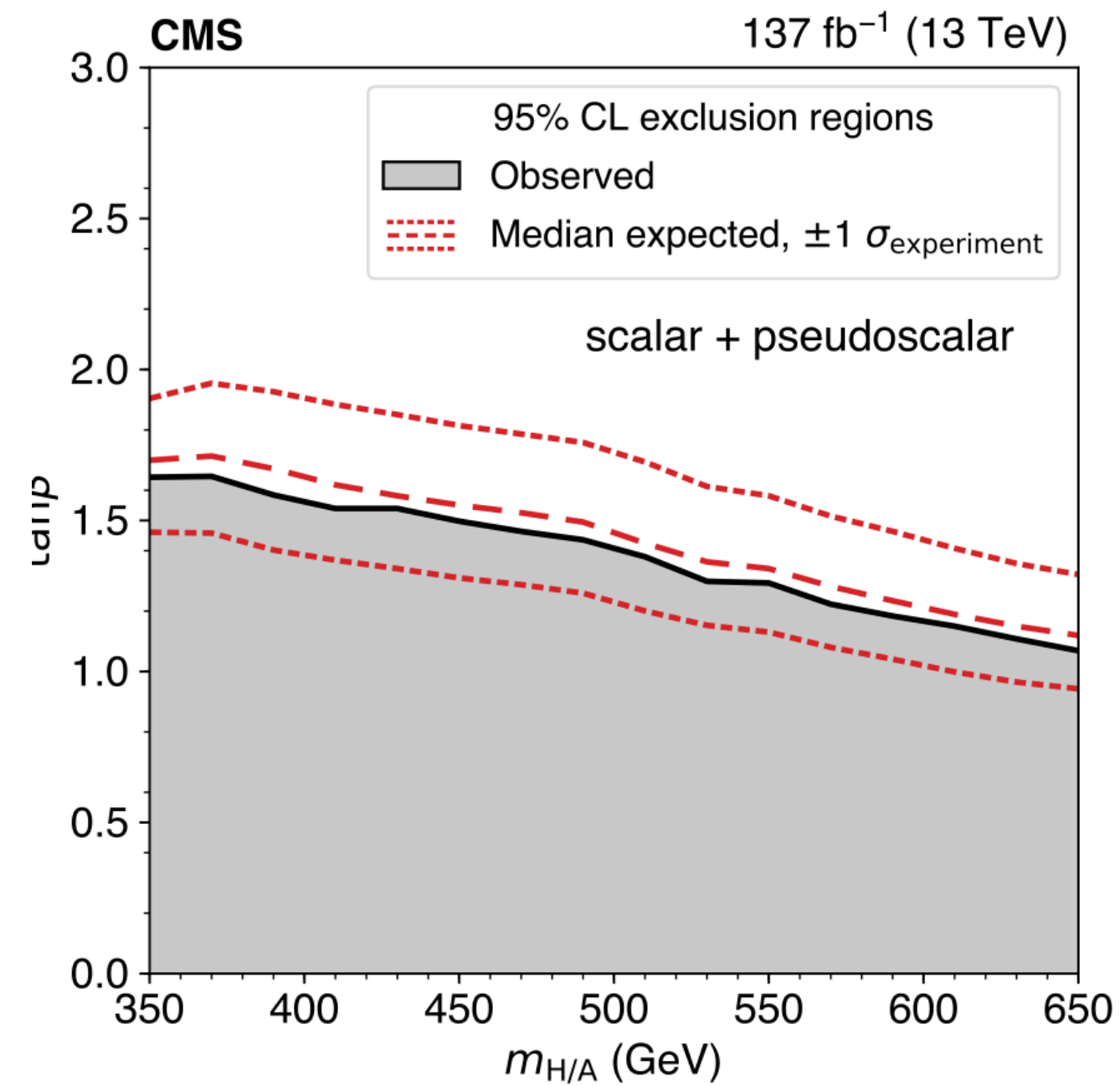
Search for 2HDM $t\bar{t}A/H \rightarrow t\bar{t}t\bar{t}$

- More on 2HDM and scalar search by Eleanor

ATLAS - this analysis
([arXiv:2408.17164](https://arxiv.org/abs/2408.17164))

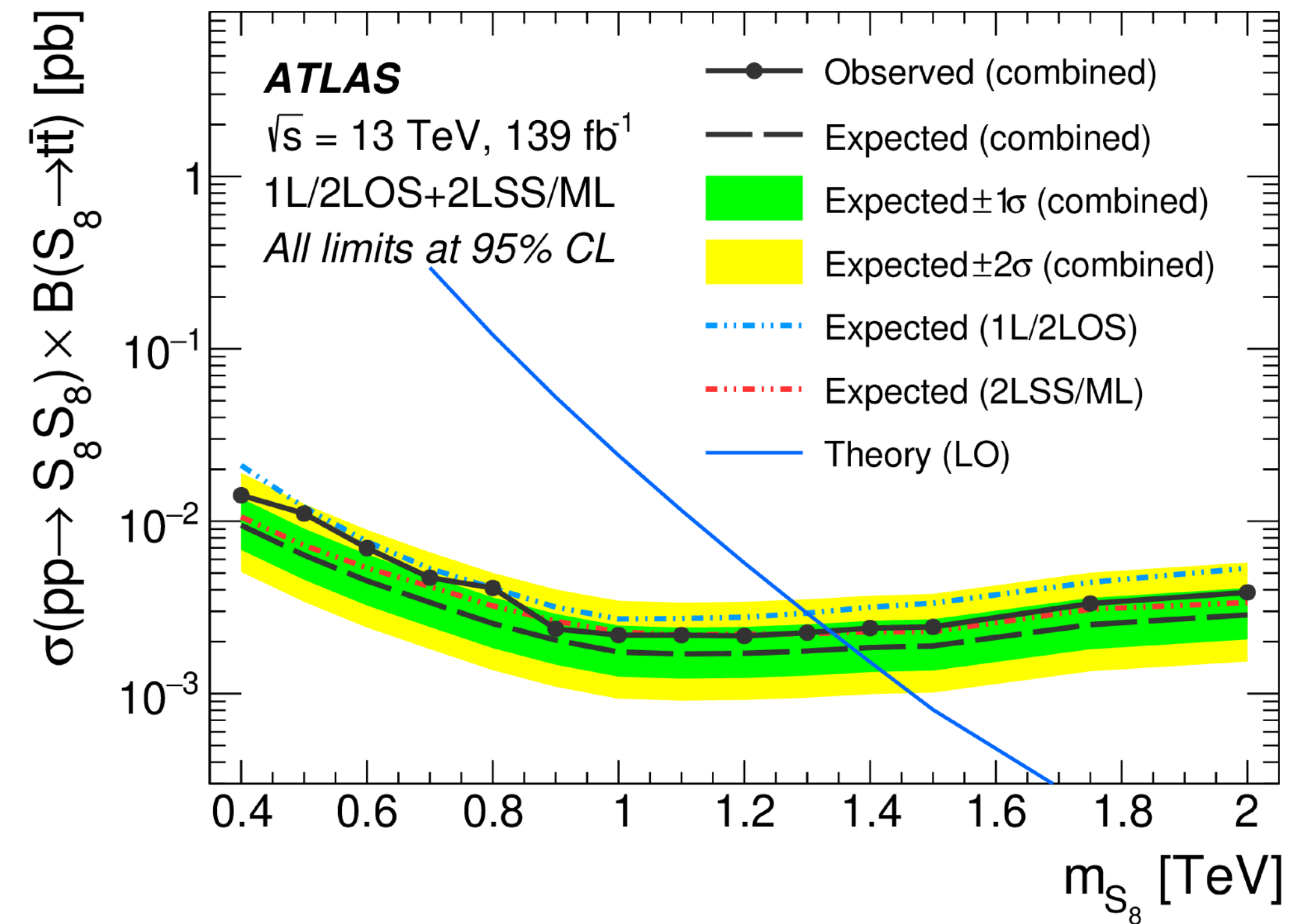


CMS previous 2LSS/ML result



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Sgluon pair production $S_8 S_8 \rightarrow t\bar{t}t\bar{t}$

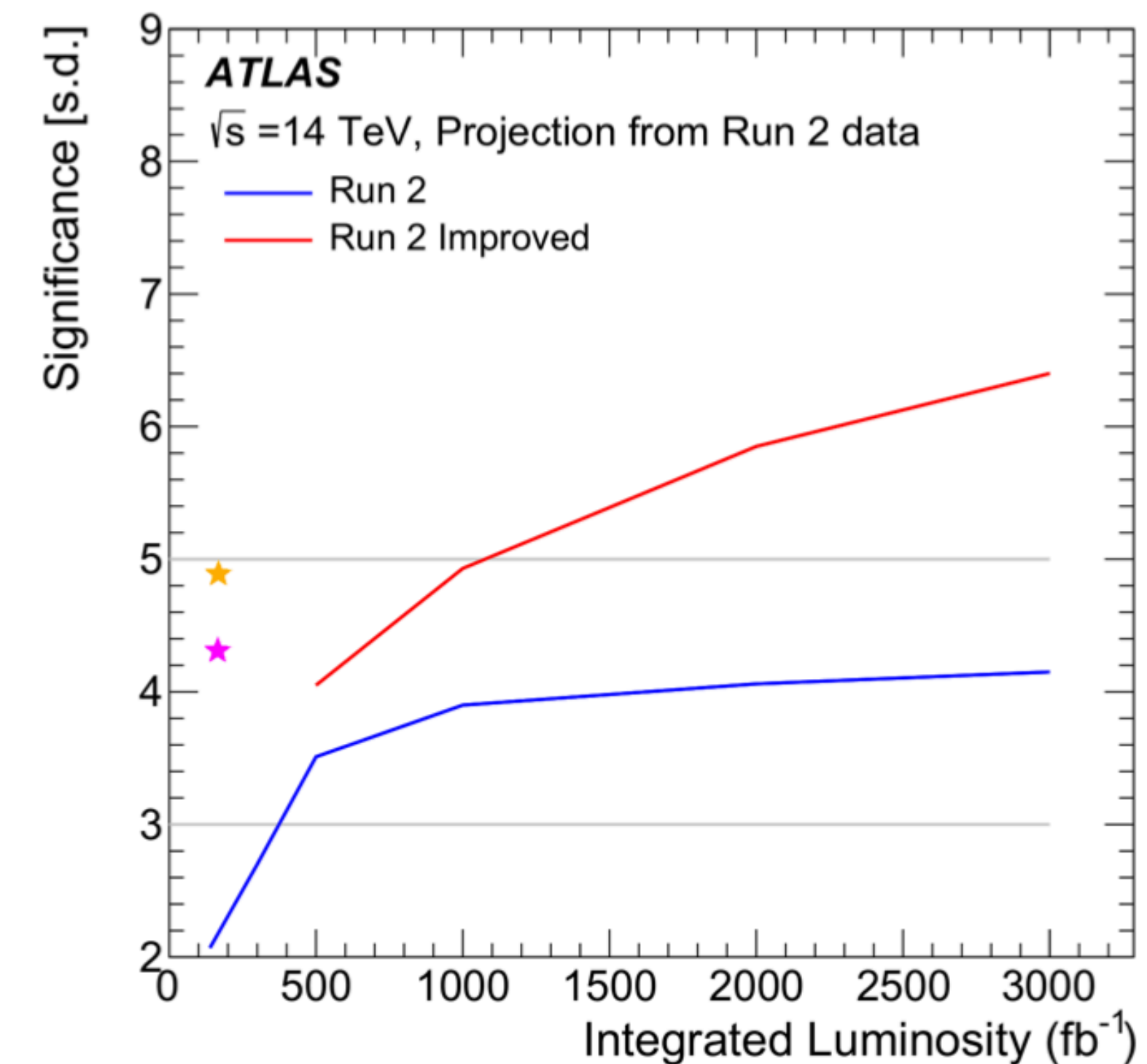


Summary

- $t\bar{t}t\bar{t}$ production observed by ATLAS and CMS experiments
 - both experiments outperformed the earlier projection
 - measured cross section slightly higher than the prediction
 - results can still benefit from more data
- Direct BSM searches and reinterpretation of the measurements
 - nothing significant so far - not the end of the story!
- Run 3 with $\sqrt{s}=13.6$ TeV — 20% larger $t\bar{t}t\bar{t}$ cross section
 - $15.82^{+1.5\%}_{-11.6\%}$ fb at 13.6 TeV (M. Beekveld, A. Kulesza, L. Valero)
 - independent data to check against what we saw in Run 2
 - much improved BSM search sensitivity when combining Run 2 + Run 3

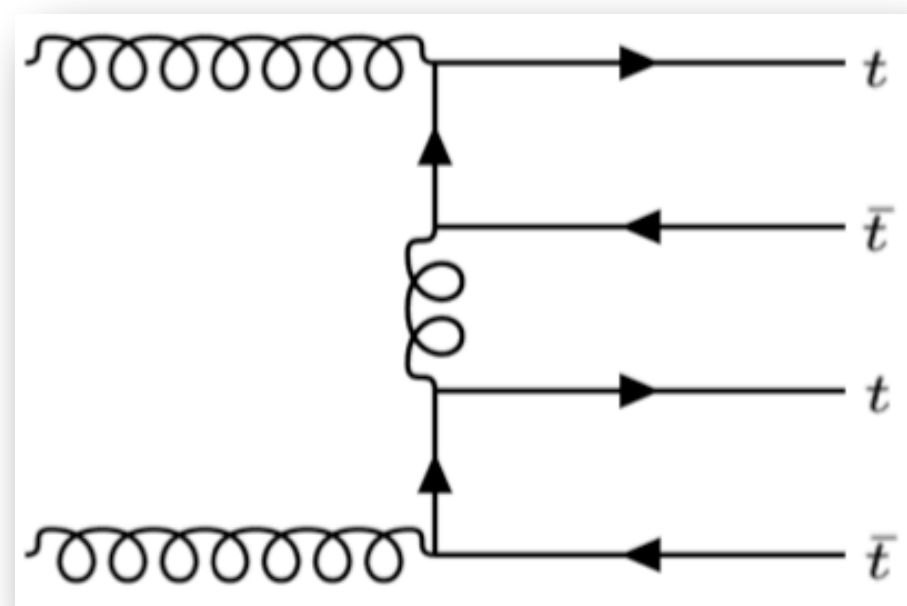


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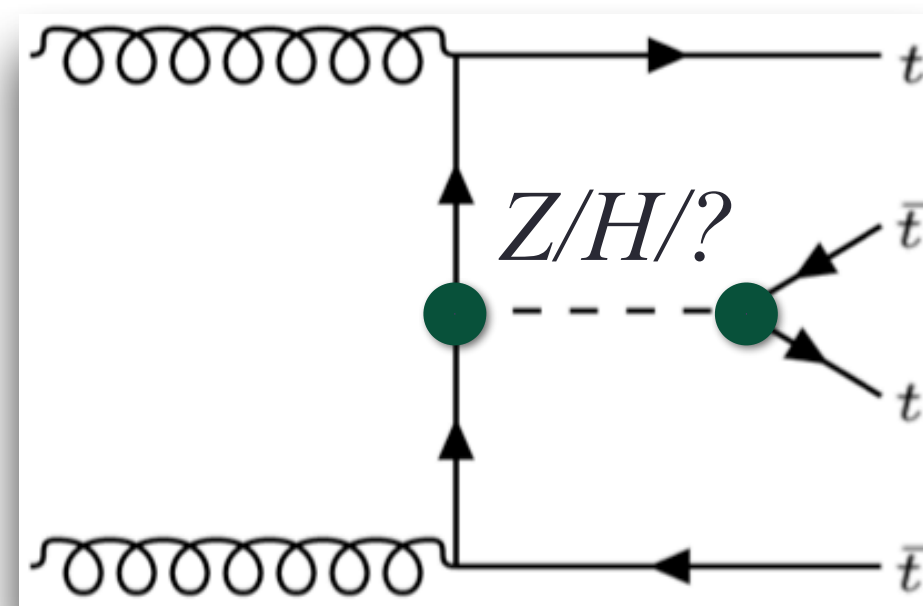
BACKUP

$t\bar{t}t\bar{t}$ production



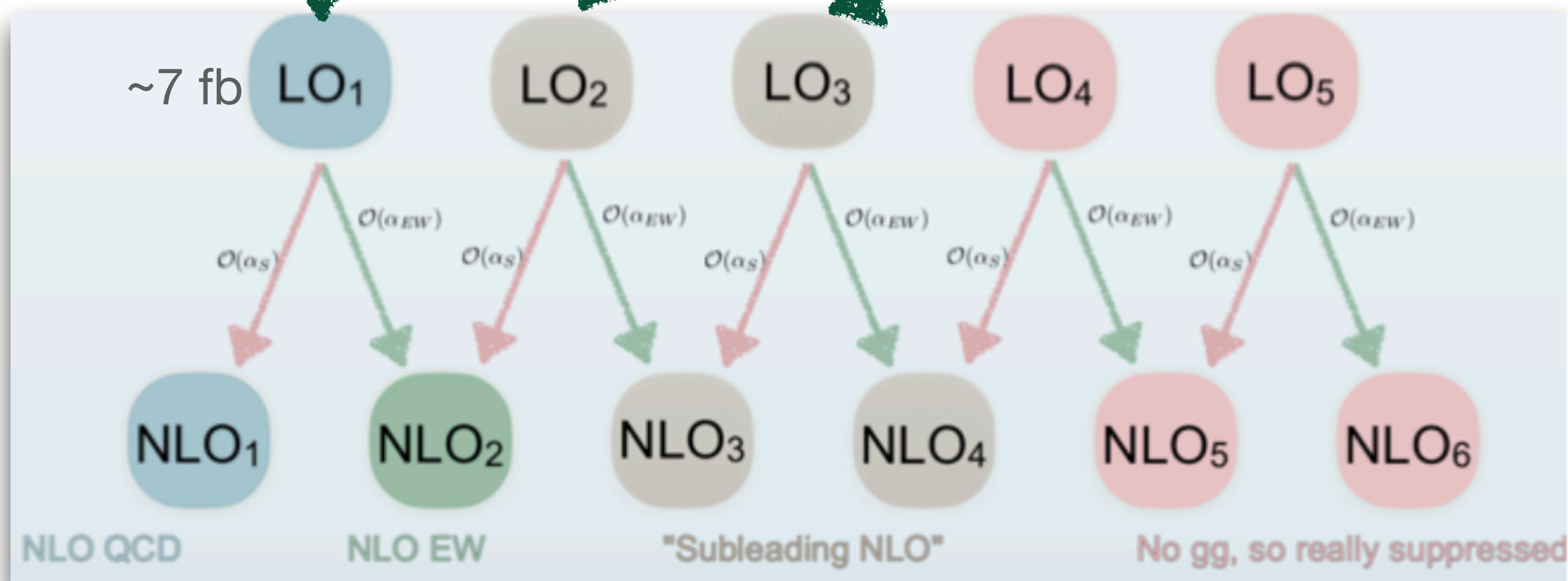
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Interference



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 $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_S^3 y_t), \mathcal{O}(\alpha_S^3 \alpha)$

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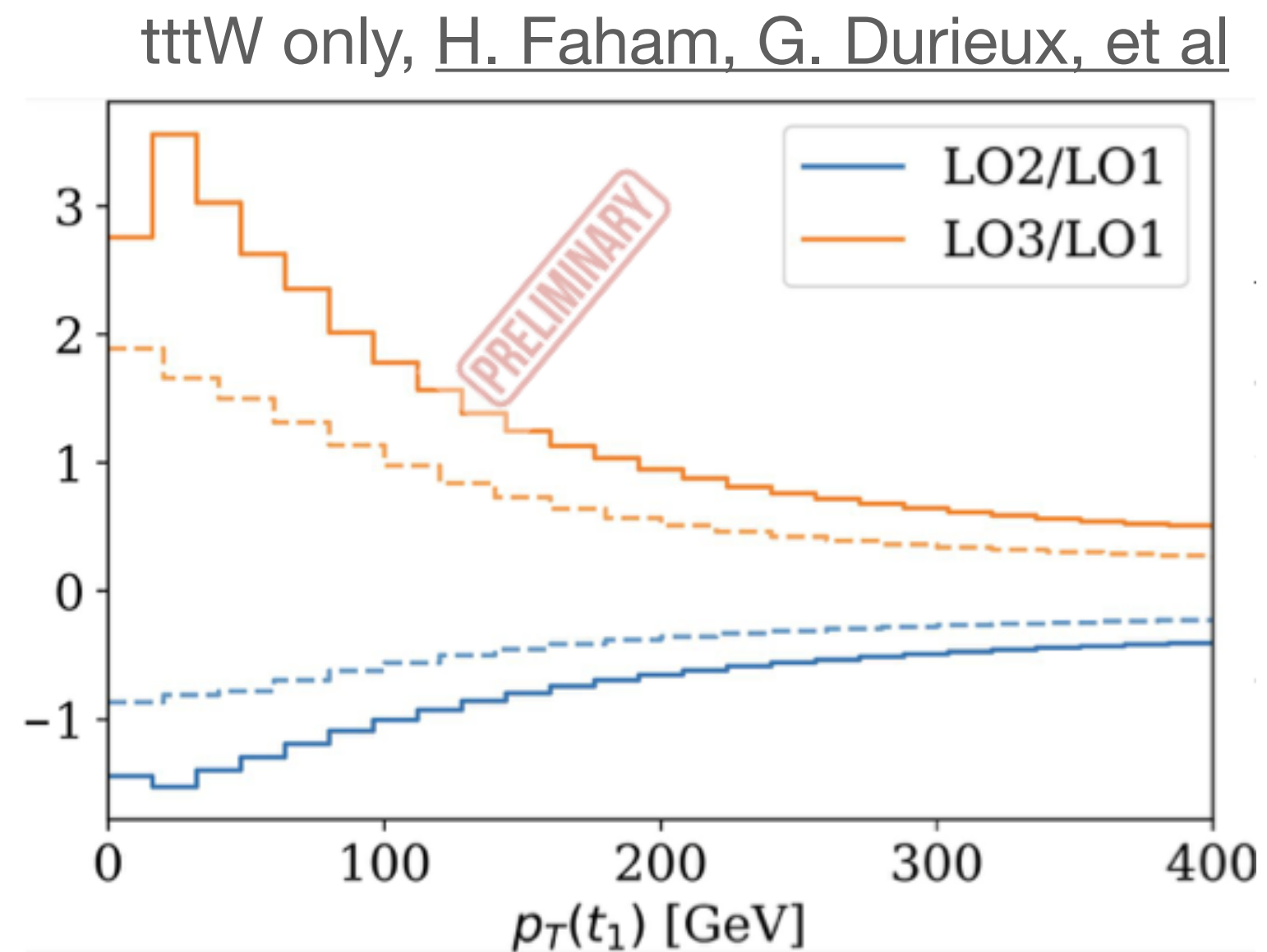
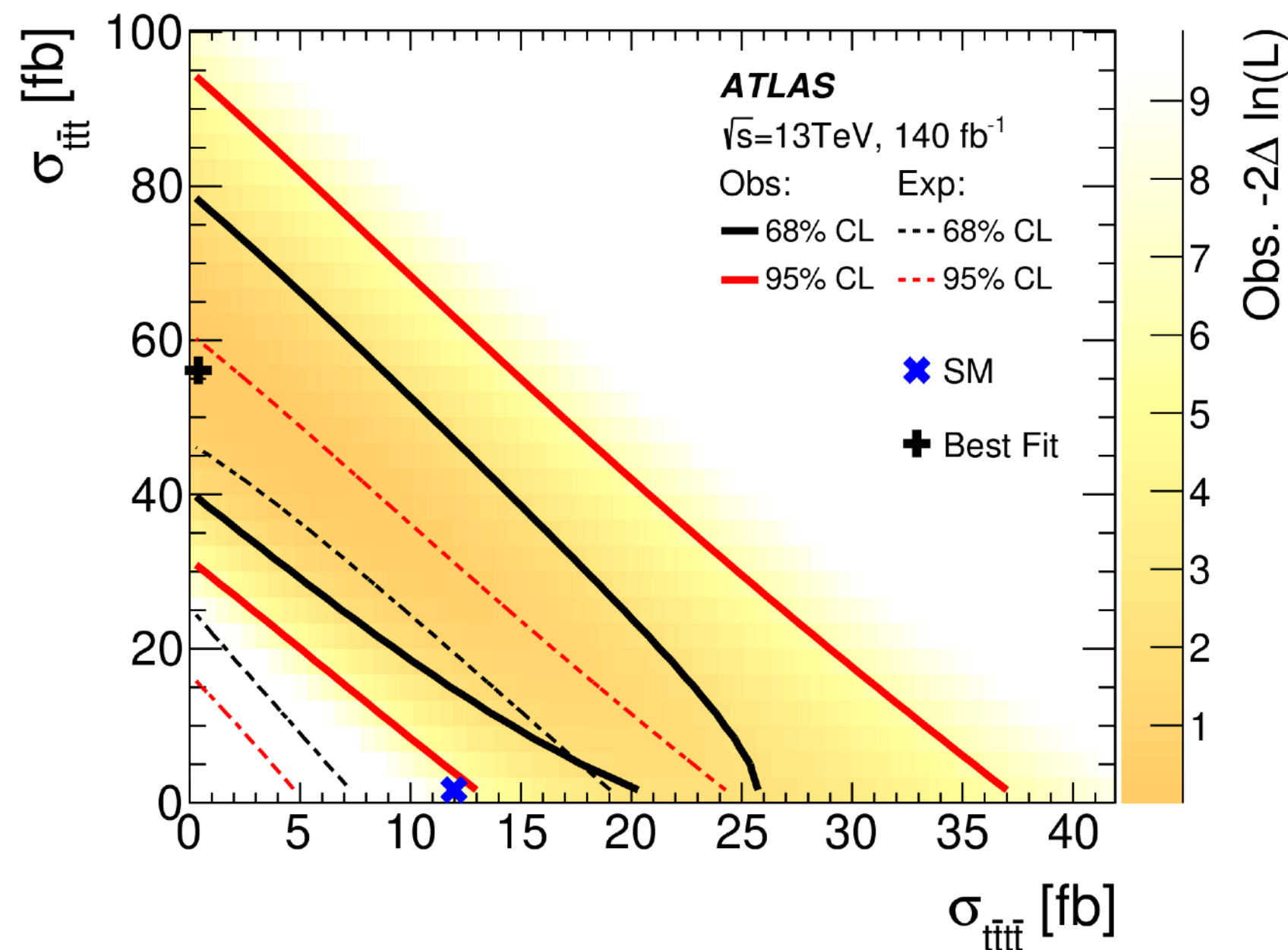
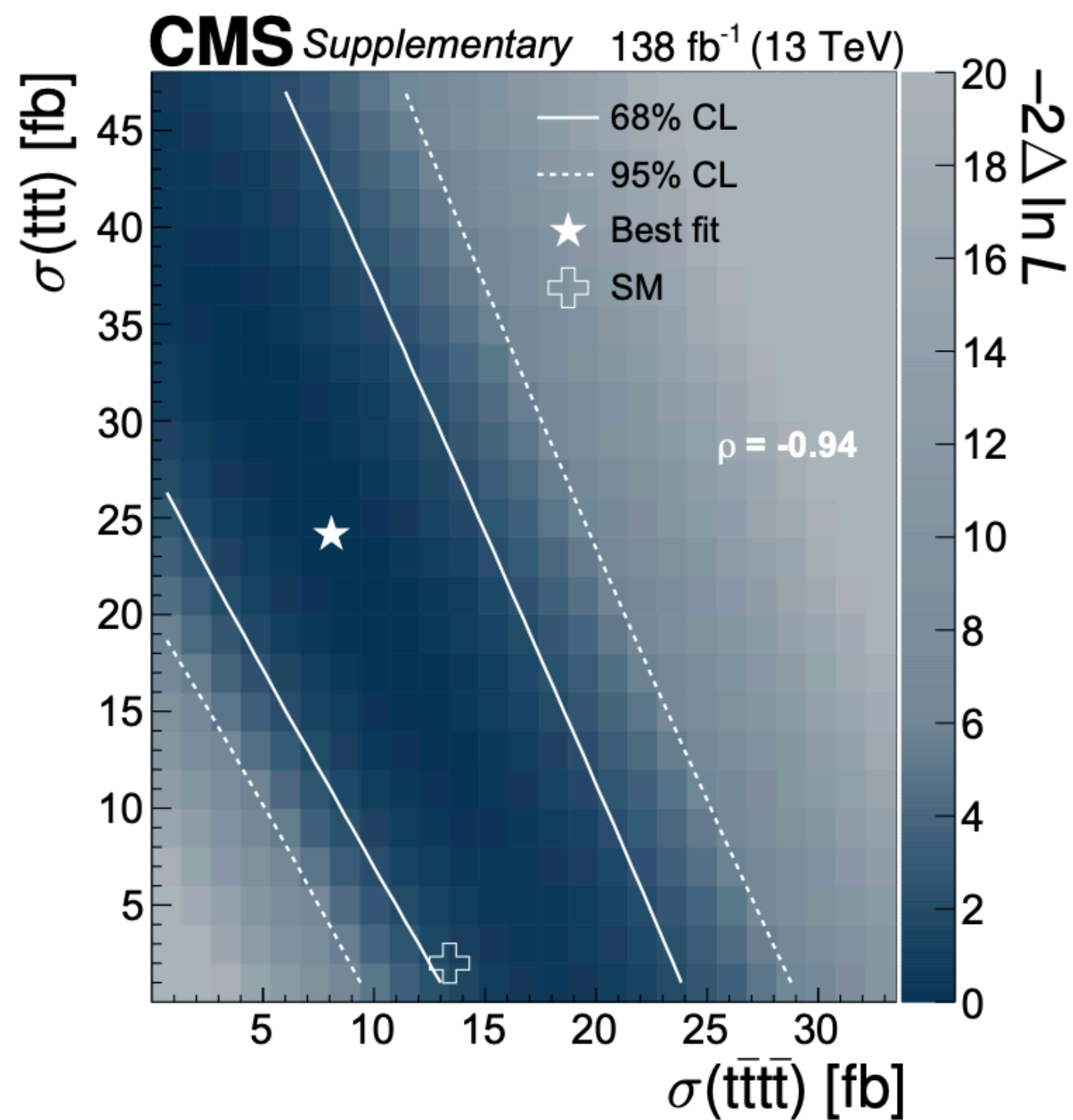
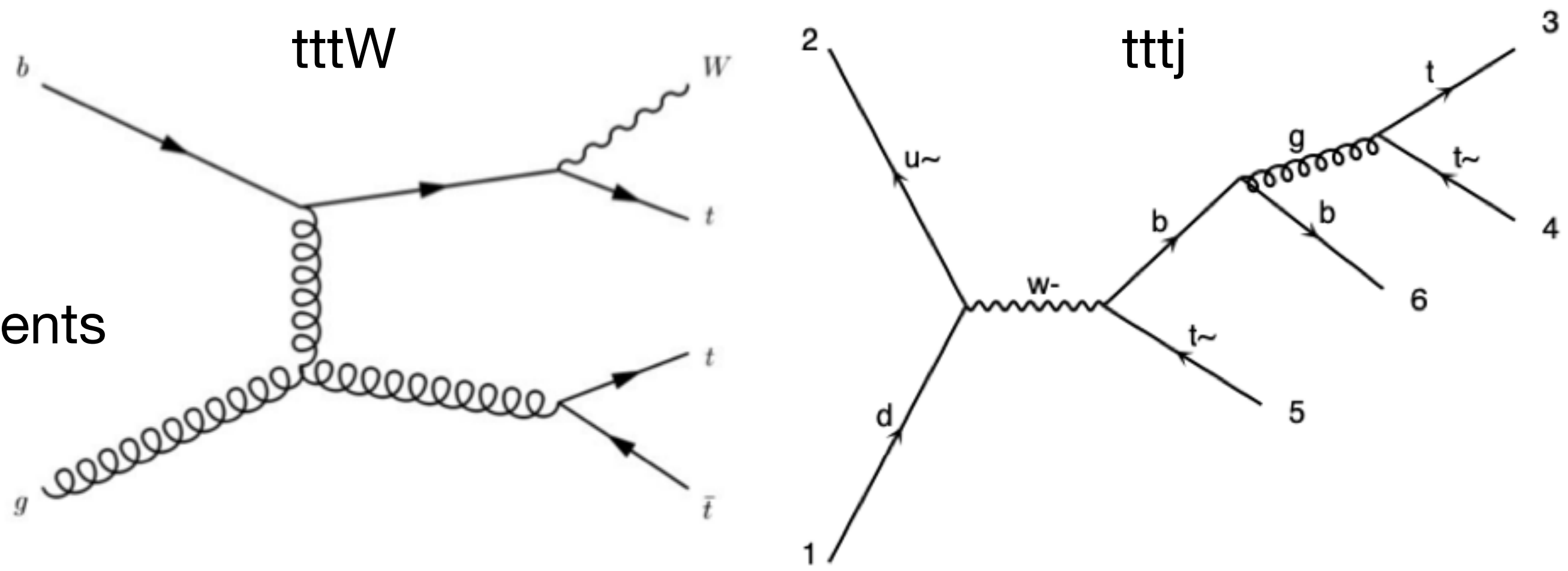
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$$\sigma_{(N)LO_i} / \sigma_{LO_1} [\%]$$

$\delta[\%]$	$\mu = H_T/8$	$\mu = H_T/4$	$\mu = H_T/2$
LO ₂	-26.0	-28.3	-30.5
LO ₃	32.6	39.0	45.9
LO ₄	0.2	0.3	0.4
LO ₅	0.02	0.03	0.05
NLO ₁	14.0	62.7	103.5
NLO ₂	8.6	-3.3	-15.1
NLO ₃	-10.3	1.8	16.1
NLO ₄	2.3	2.8	3.6
NLO ₅	0.12	0.16	0.19
NLO ₆	< 0.01	< 0.01	< 0.01
NLO ₂ + NLO ₃	-1.7	-1.6	0.9

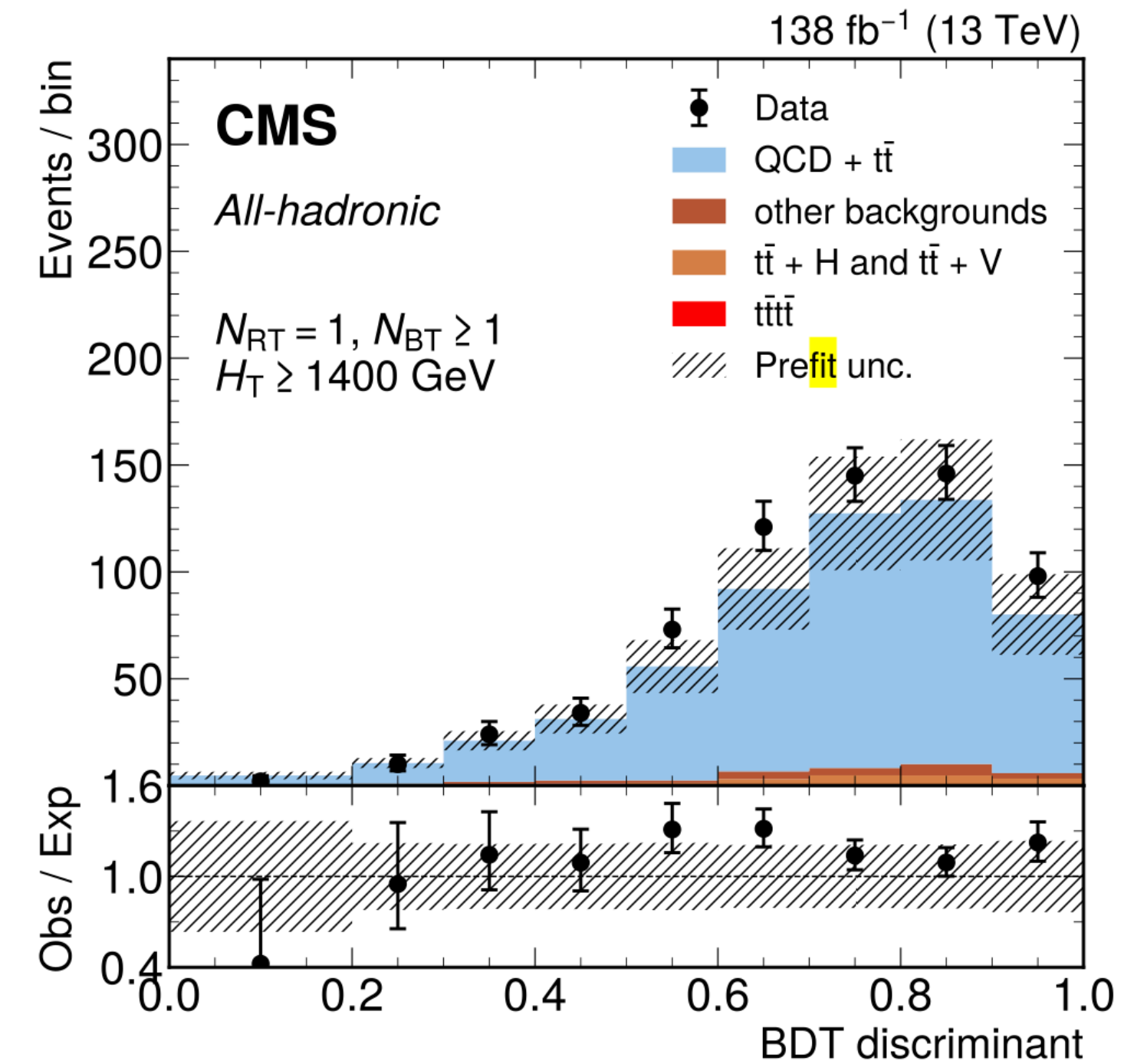
The role of $t\bar{t}t$

- Strong correlation with $t\bar{t}t\bar{t}$ seen by both experiments
 - $t\bar{t}tW$ indistinguishable from $t\bar{t}t\bar{t}$
- NLO prediction from G. Durieux: $2 \text{ fb} \pm 15\%$
 - higher order and EW correlations largely cancel (apart from NLO QCD)
- need better modelling and dedicated separation strategy in future analyses

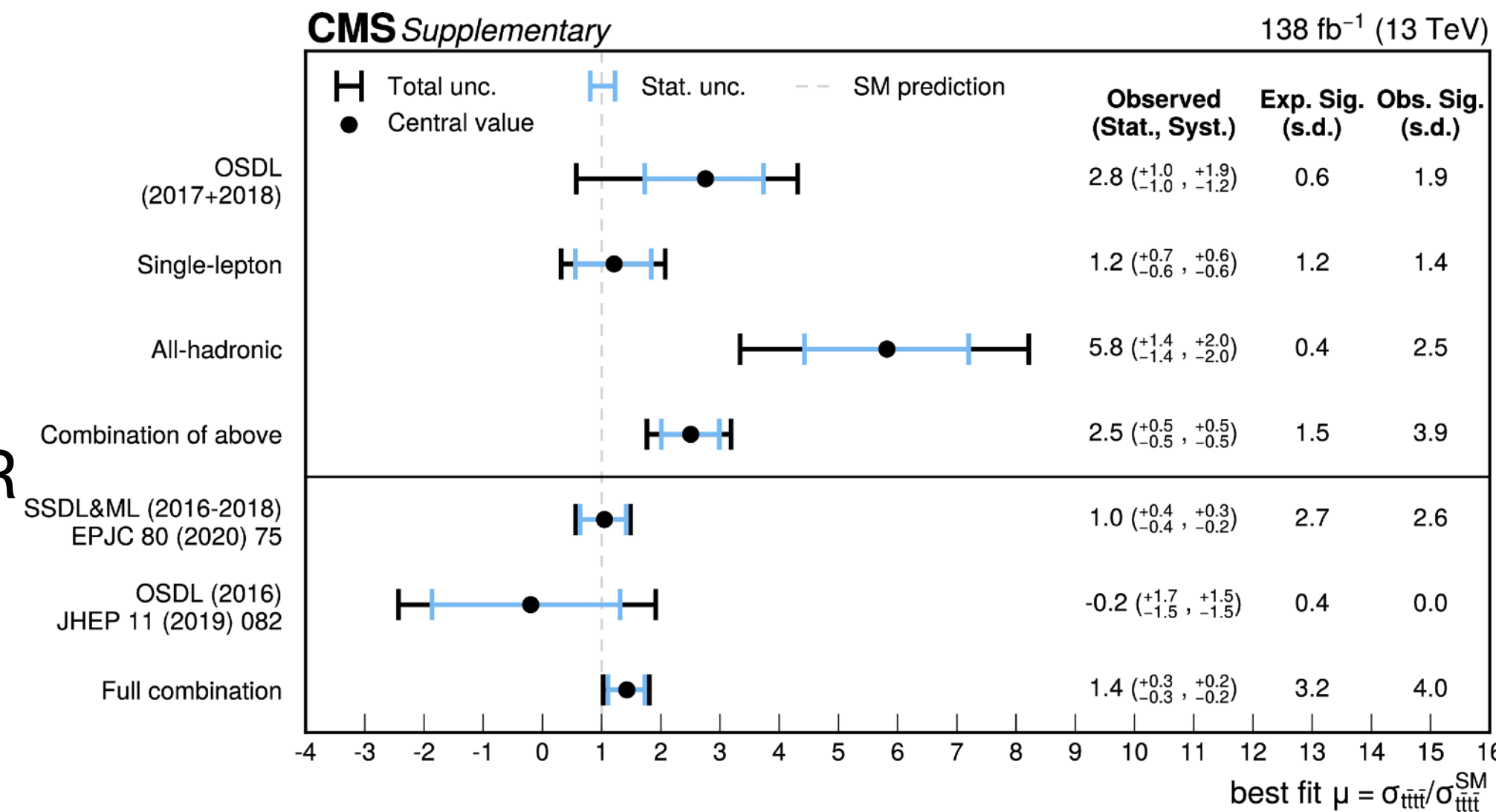


CMS: all-had/1L/2LOS channels

- 1L and 2LOS channels
 - SR/CR defined using number of leptons, jets and b-jets
 - 1L also uses the number of top candidates, identified using a BDT-based resolved top tagger
 - Background estimate relies on profile likelihood fit to CR+SR
 - S-B separation: 1L BDT; 2LOS H_T (scalar sum of jet p_T)

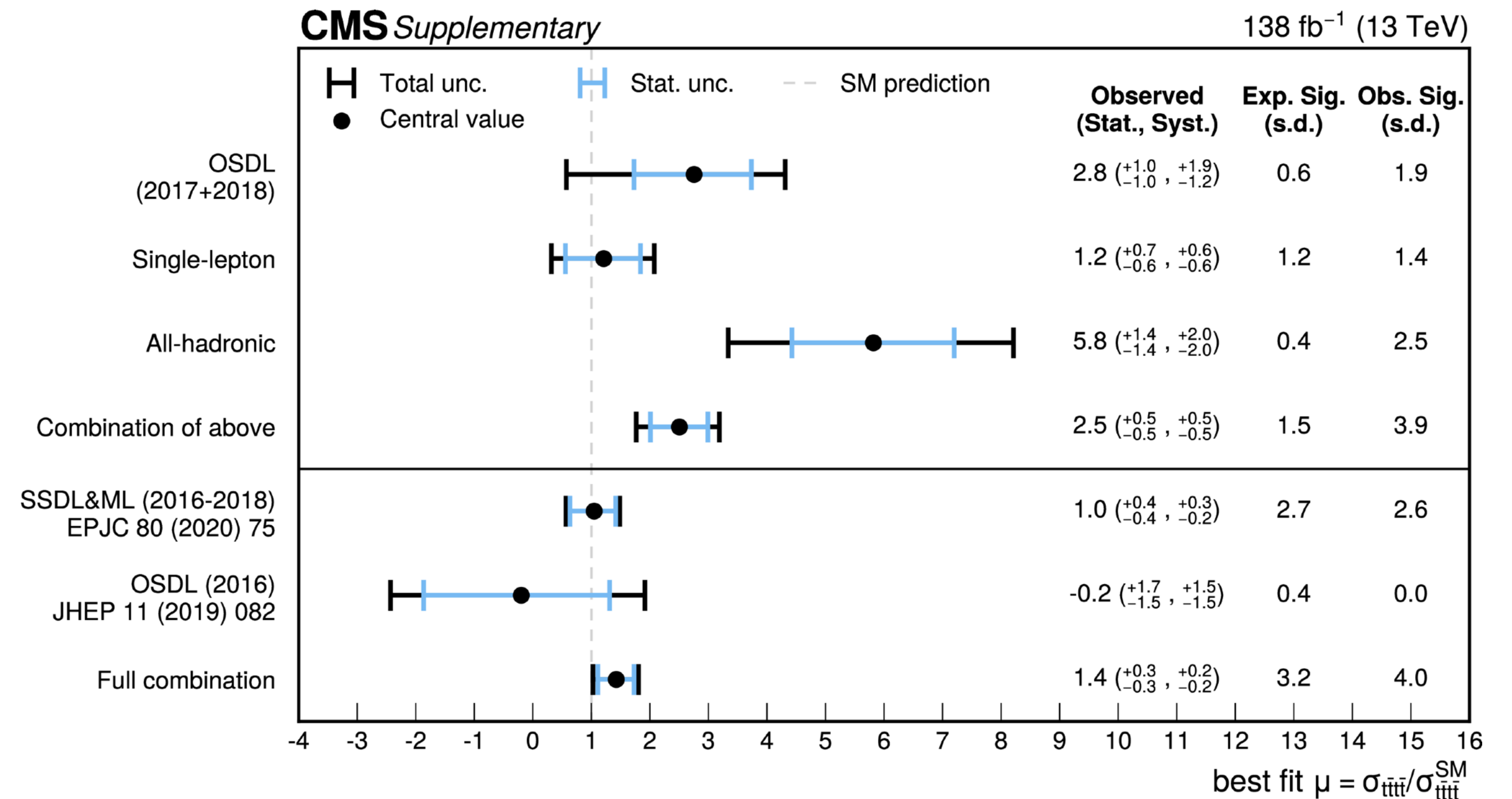
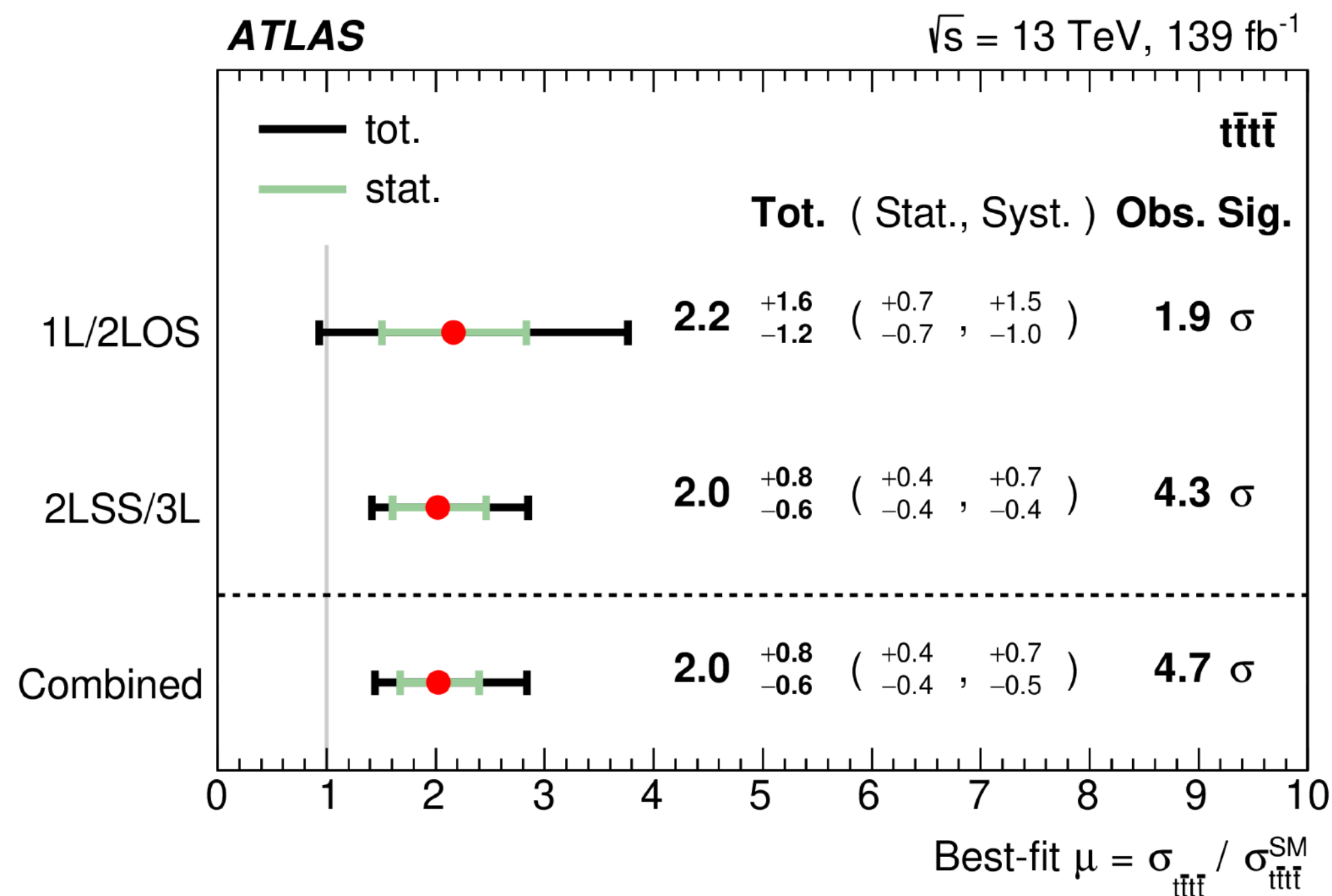


- All-had channel: first $t\bar{t}t\bar{t}$ analysis using this channel
 - SR/CR/VR defined using number of jets, b-jets
 - Each split by number of resolved/boosted top candidates and H_T
 - data-driven background estimate - extrapolated from CR to SR
 - ABCD method for normalisation
 - DDN trained to predict the shape
 - BDT used for S-B separation



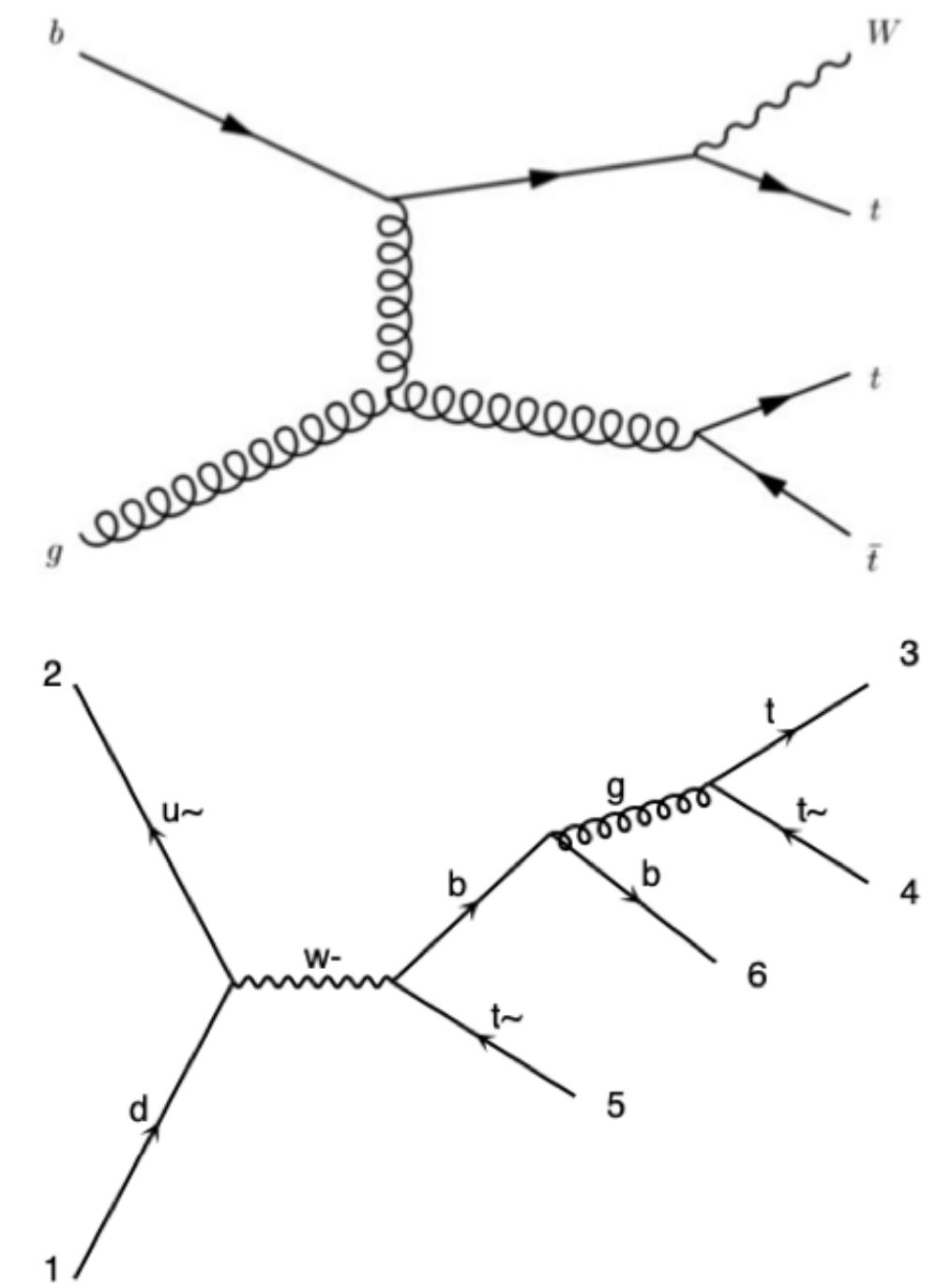
All-had/1L/2LOS channel

- Similar strategy used by ATLAS and CMS
 - categorise events according to number of leptons, jets, b-jets, and boosted top candidates
 - Boosted Decision Tree (BDT) for signal-background separation
- Compatible results from different channels and between ATLAS and CMS



$t\bar{t}t$ production

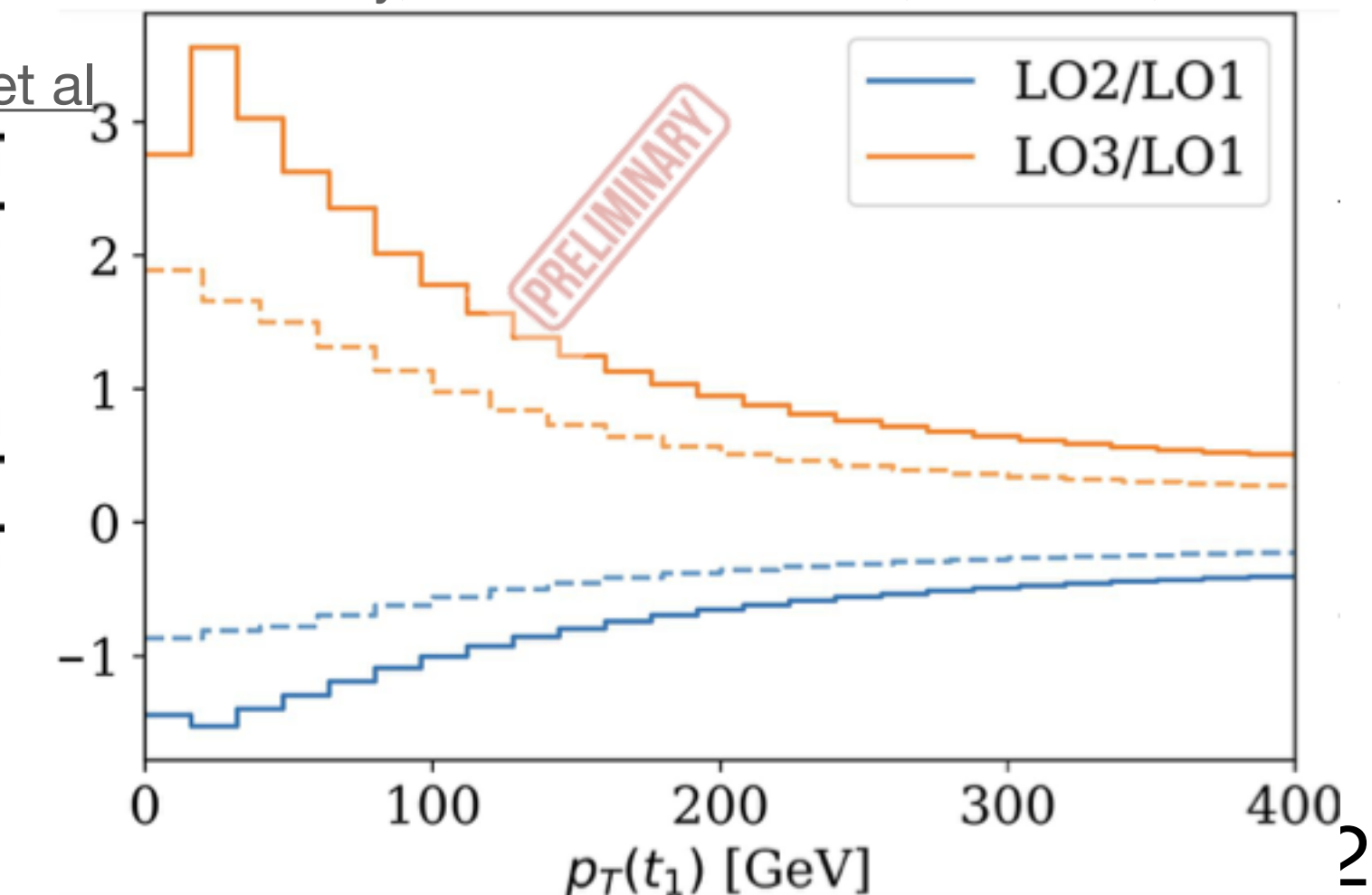
- An important background for $t\bar{t}t\bar{t}$ - potentially a signal very soon
 - two different groups of processes: $t\bar{t}tW$ (dominant) and $t\bar{t}tj$ (subleading)
- 4 vs 5 flavour scheme
- For $t\bar{t}tW$, interference with $t\bar{t}t$ already at LO when using 4FS; NLO when using 5FS
 - difficult to separate from $t\bar{t}t\bar{t}$
- NLO QCD prediction from Gauthier: $2 \text{ fb}^{+13\%}_{-12\%}$ (scales) $\pm 5.9\%$ (pdf)
- On-going studies for further improvement (Hesham El Faham, Gauthier, et al)
 - choice of the theorist $HT/8$ \rightarrow gives minimal scale variation
 - inclusion of NLO EW corrections



$t\bar{t}tW$ only, Hesham El Faham, Gauthier, et al

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L0	0.41 fb	-20%	+20%	($\pm 0.3\%$)	
L01	0.27 fb	-30%	+40%	($\pm 0.2\%$)	
L02	-0.18 fb	+30%	-20%	($\pm 0.1\%$)	
L03	0.31 fb	-10%	+20%	($\pm 0.2\%$)	
L04	0.013 fb	-9%	+8%	($\pm 0.3\%$)	
NLO	0.22 fb	-8%	+7%	($\pm 1\%$)	
NL01	0.21 fb	-7%	+2%	($\pm 0.8\%$)	
NL02	-0.053 fb	+30%	-60%	($\pm 1\%$)	
NL03	0.057 fb	-60%	+50%	($\pm 1\%$)	
NL04	0.0042 fb	-20%	+20%	($\pm 7\%$)	
NL05	0.0017 fb	-4%	+5%	($\pm 1\%$)	

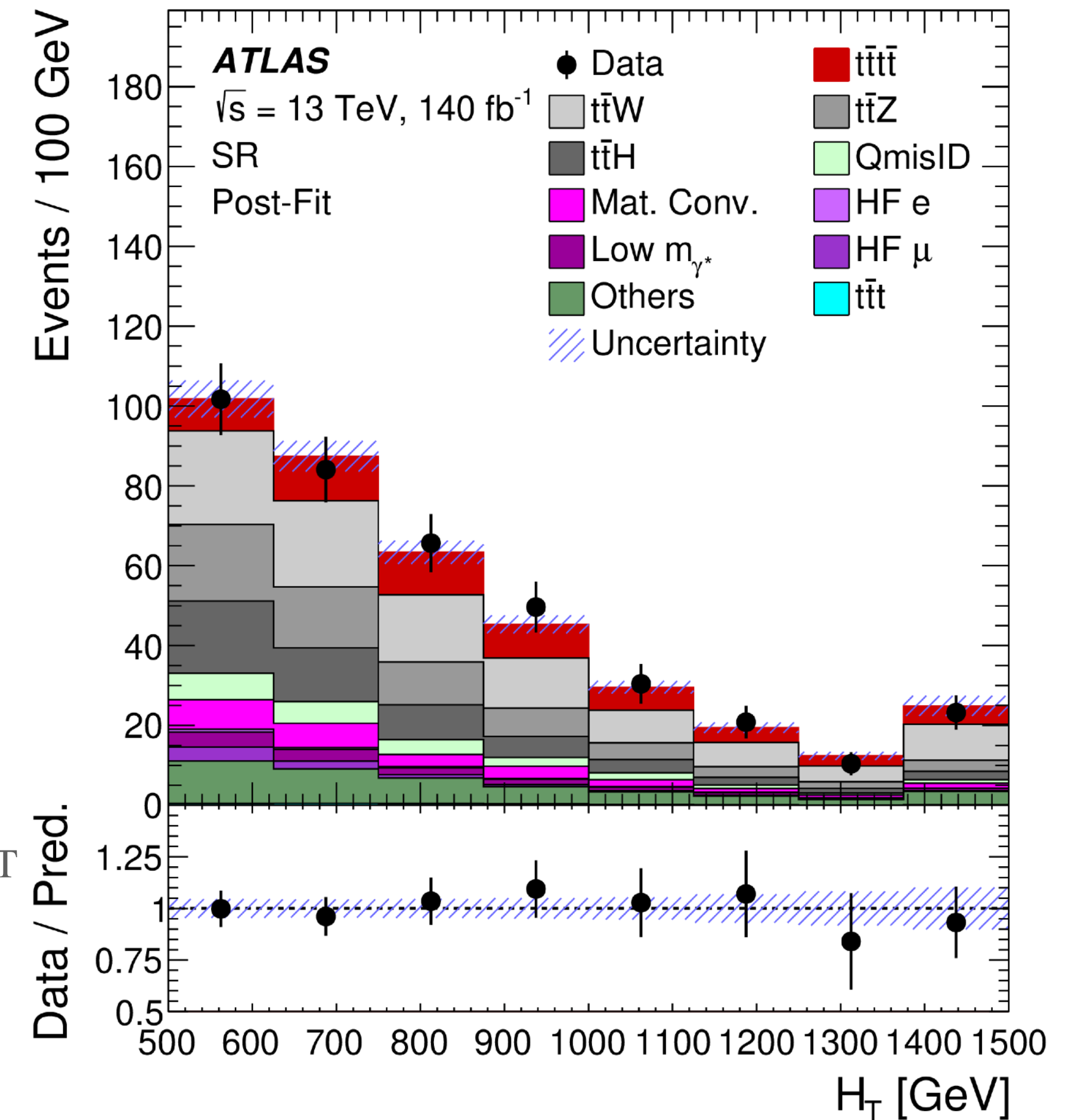


Cross section [fb]	Gauthier					
	NLO1 (+LO1)	LO1	LO2	LO3	LO QCD+EW	NLO QCD + LO EW
$t\bar{t}j+$	0.2	0.11	-0.088	0.098	0.12	0.21
$t\bar{t}j-$	0.44	0.24	-0.19	0.24	0.29	0.49
$t\bar{t}tW+$	0.52	0.29	-0.19	0.33	0.43	0.66
$t\bar{t}tW-$	0.52	0.29	-0.19	0.33	0.43	0.66
Total	1.68	0.93	-0.658	0.998	1.27	2.02

Observation of $t\bar{t}t\bar{t}$ production

- Using events in 2LSS/ML channel
 - requiring ≥ 2 SS leptons:
 - leading lepton $p_T > 28$ GeV
 - subleading leptons $p_T > 15$ GeV
 - jets $p_T > 20$ GeV
- Simple SR selection
 - ≥ 6 jets, ≥ 2 b-tagged jets (77% eff.), $H_T > 500$ GeV
 - Selected
 - 38 signal events (pre-fit)
 - 482 data events

* H_T : scalar sum of all leptons and jets p_T

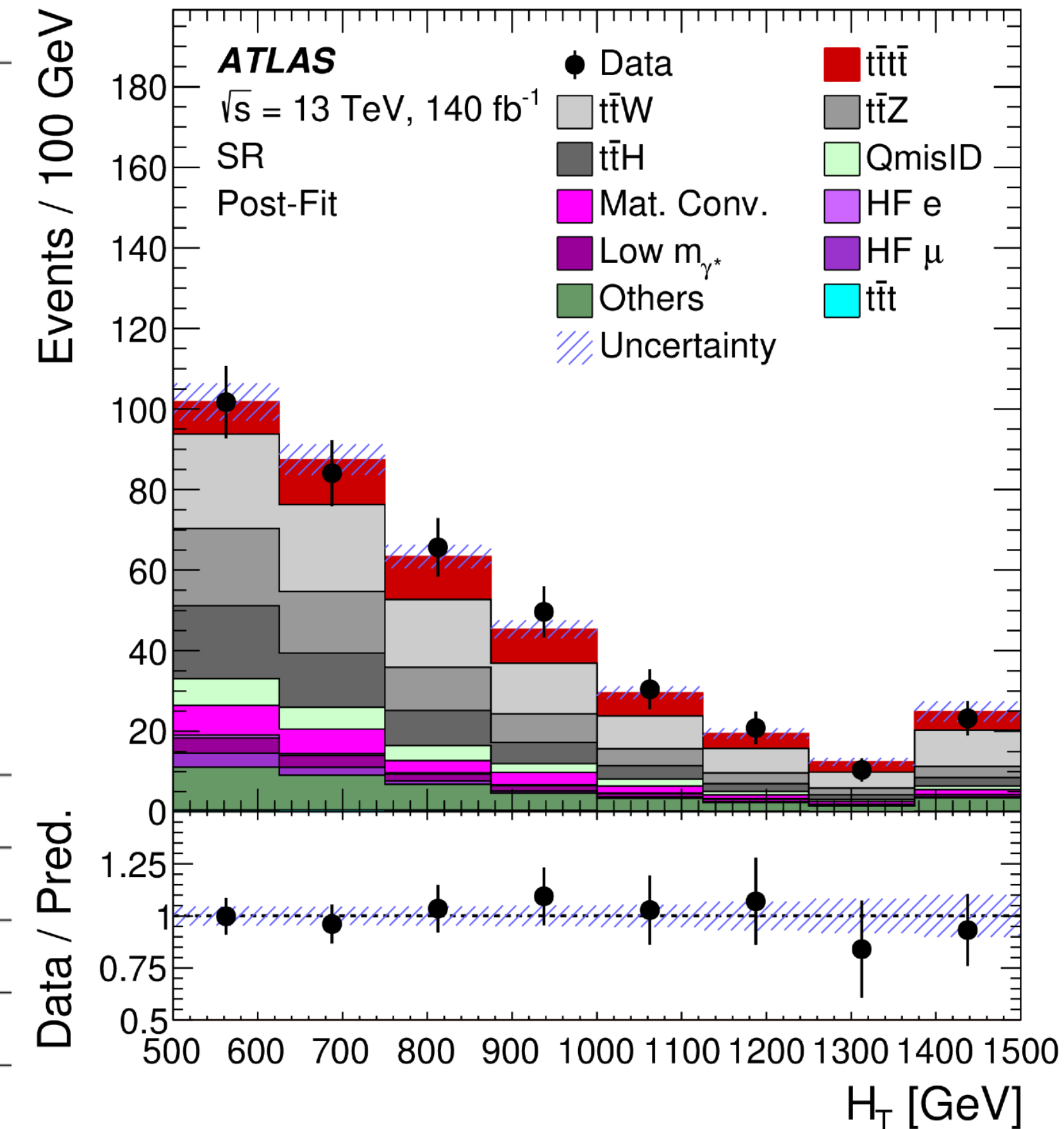


Background estimate

- Combining MC and data-driven techniques
- Reducible background - mainly from $t\bar{t}$ (~20%)
 - events with charge mis-identified leptons (QmisID)
 - data-driven QmisID rates using $Z \rightarrow ee$ events $\sim(p_T, \eta)$
 - events with fake/non-prompt leptons
 - material conversion, low m_{γ^*} , HFe, HF μ
 - using MC templates, with free floating normalisation, with dedicated CR for each
- Irreducible background (~60%)
 - $t\bar{t}W$: MC with data-driven N-jets ([JHEP10\(2012\)162](#))

$$R_{(j+1)/j} = \frac{N_{j+1}}{N_j} = a_0 + \frac{a_1}{a_2 + j} \quad (a_2 = 0)$$
 - fit the N-jets distributions separately in $t\bar{t}W^+$ and $t\bar{t}W^-$ regions
 - Other backgrounds from simulations
- Profile likelihood fit with all CRs and SR
 - determine background and signal simultaneously

	SR
$t\bar{t}W$	127 ± 35
$t\bar{t}Z$	79 ± 15
$t\bar{t}H$	68 ± 10
QmisID	27 ± 4
Mat. Conv.	30 ± 8
HF e	2.3 ± 2.4
HF μ	9 ± 4
Low m_{γ^*}	15 ± 5
Others	50 ± 10
$t\bar{t}t$	2.9 ± 0.9
Total bkg	412 ± 21
$t\bar{t}t\bar{t}$	69 ± 15
Total	480 ± 19
Data	482

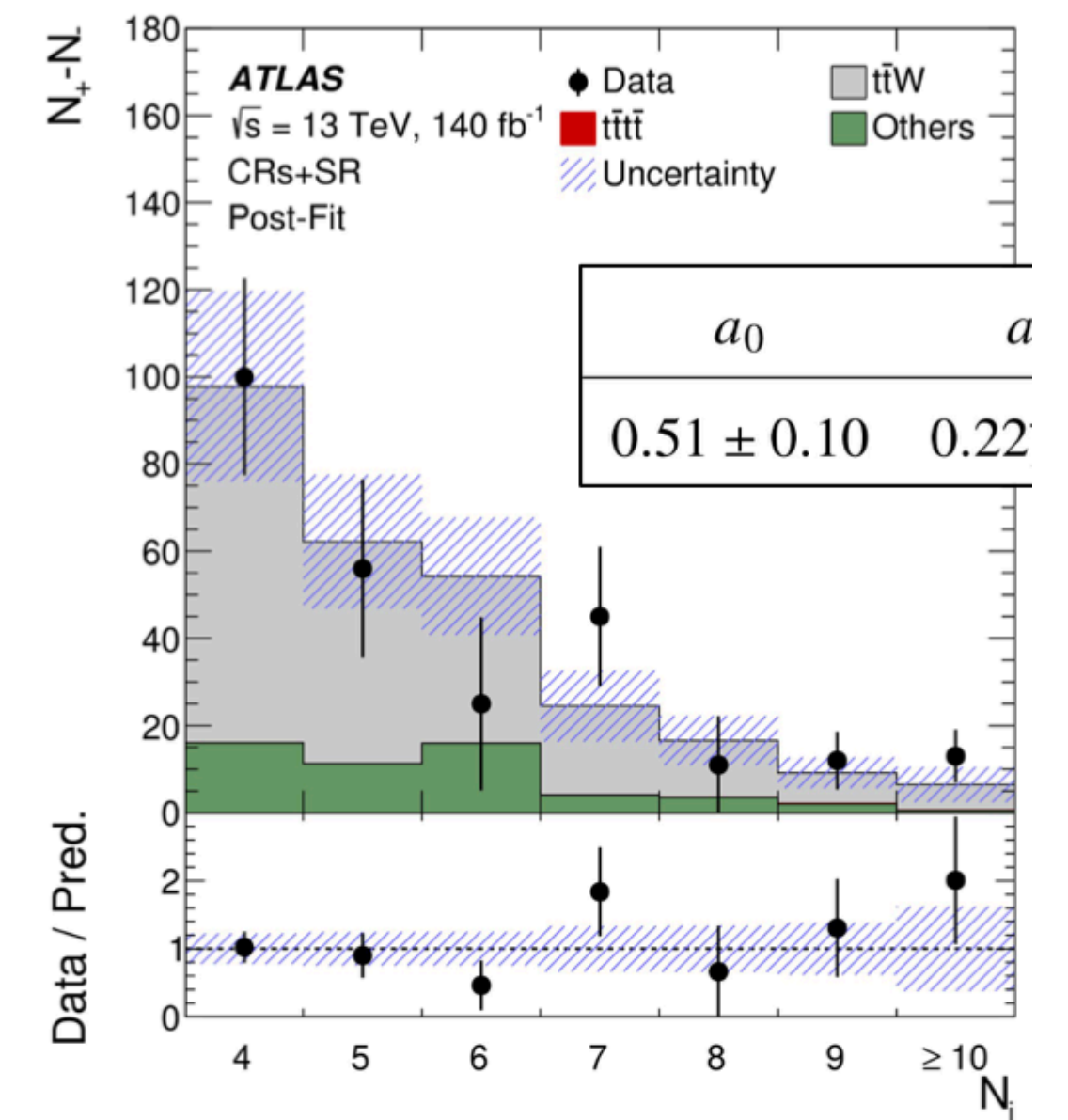
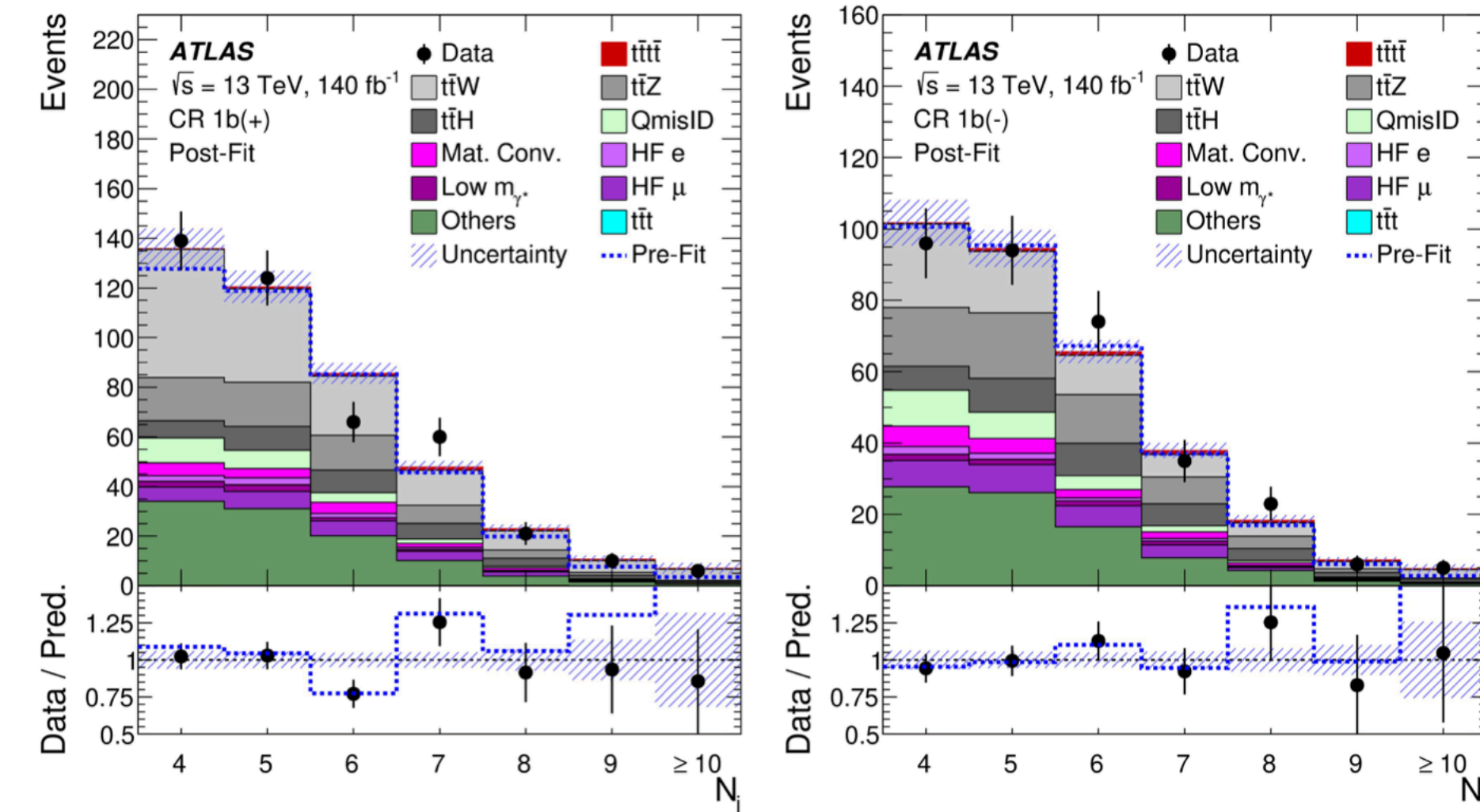


Path to the observation - ATLAS

- Combining MC and data-driven techniques
- Reducible background
 - events with fake/non-prompt leptons
 - using shape from MC, with free floating normalisation in the profiling, with dedicated CR for each
 - QmisID: data-driven QmisID rates using Drell-Yan events, parametrised as (p_T, η)
- Irreducible background (~60%)
 - $t\bar{t}W$: MC includes NLO QCD + EW (t-W scattering) contributions
 - with data-driven N-jets ([JHEP10\(2012\)162](#))

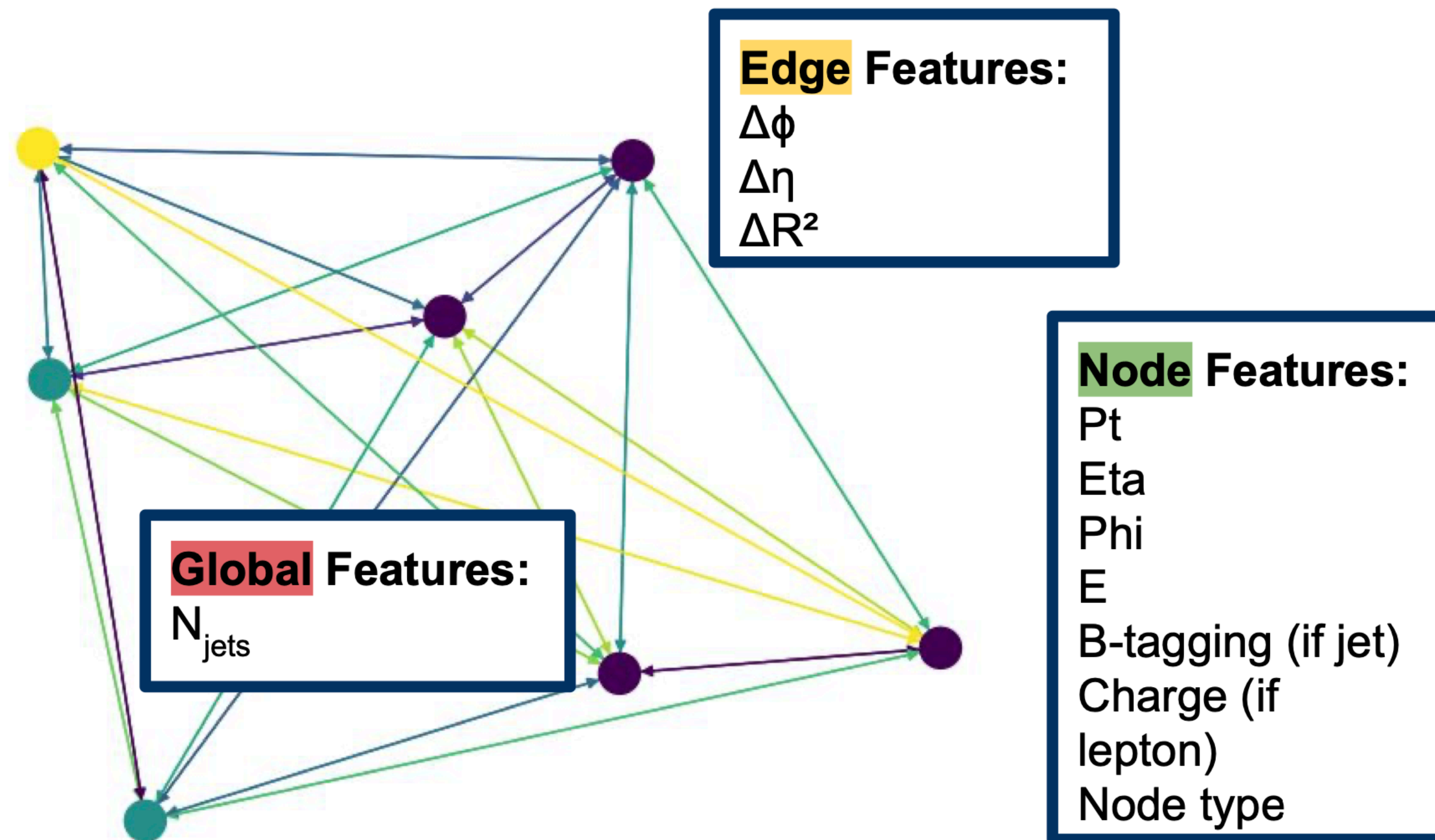
$$R_{(j+1)/j} = \frac{N_{j+1}}{N_j} = a_0 + \frac{a_1}{a_2 + j} \quad (a_2 = 0)$$

- fit the N-jets distributions separately in $t\bar{t}W^+$ and $t\bar{t}W^-$ regions
- Other backgrounds from simulations

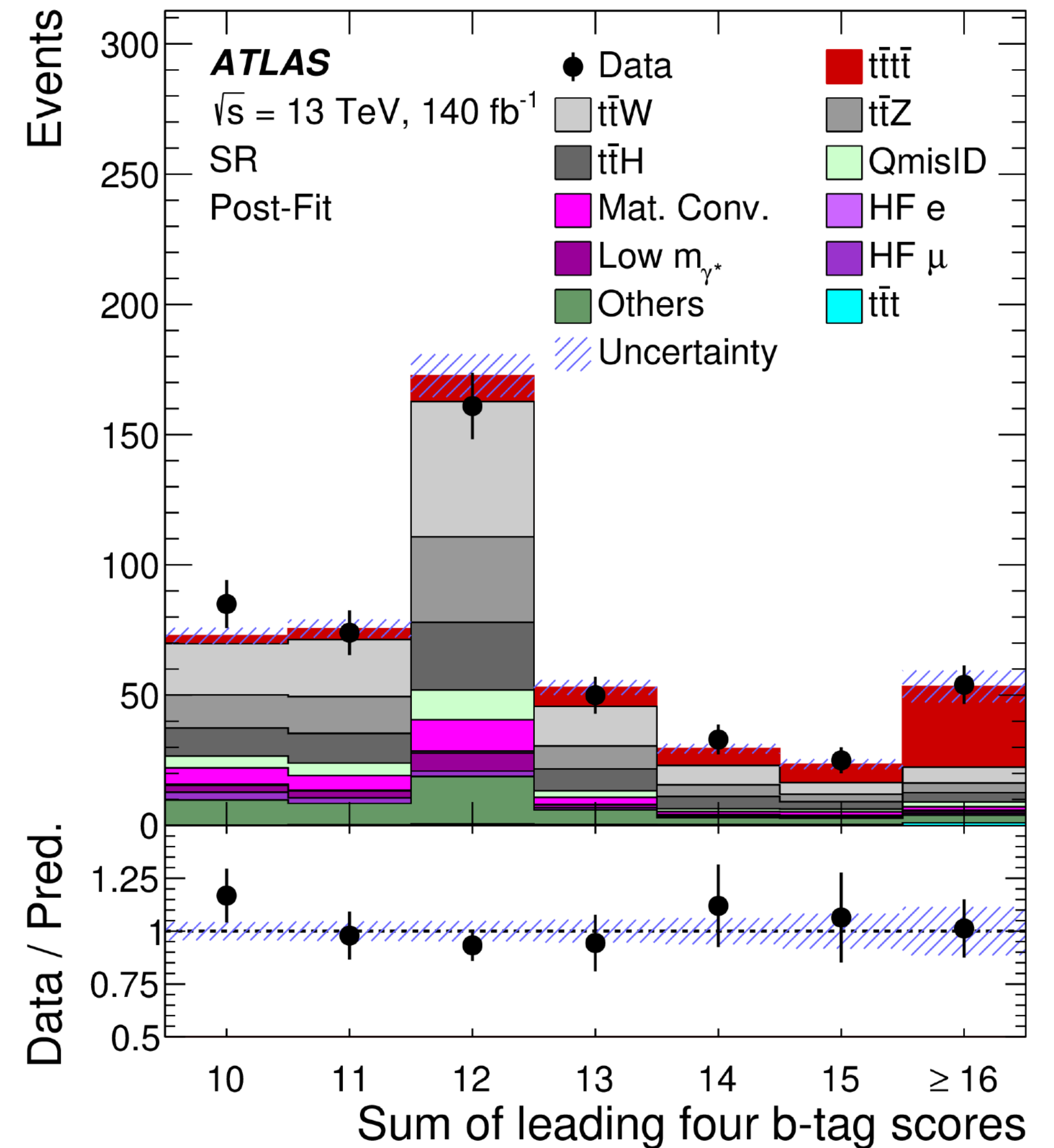


Graph neural networks

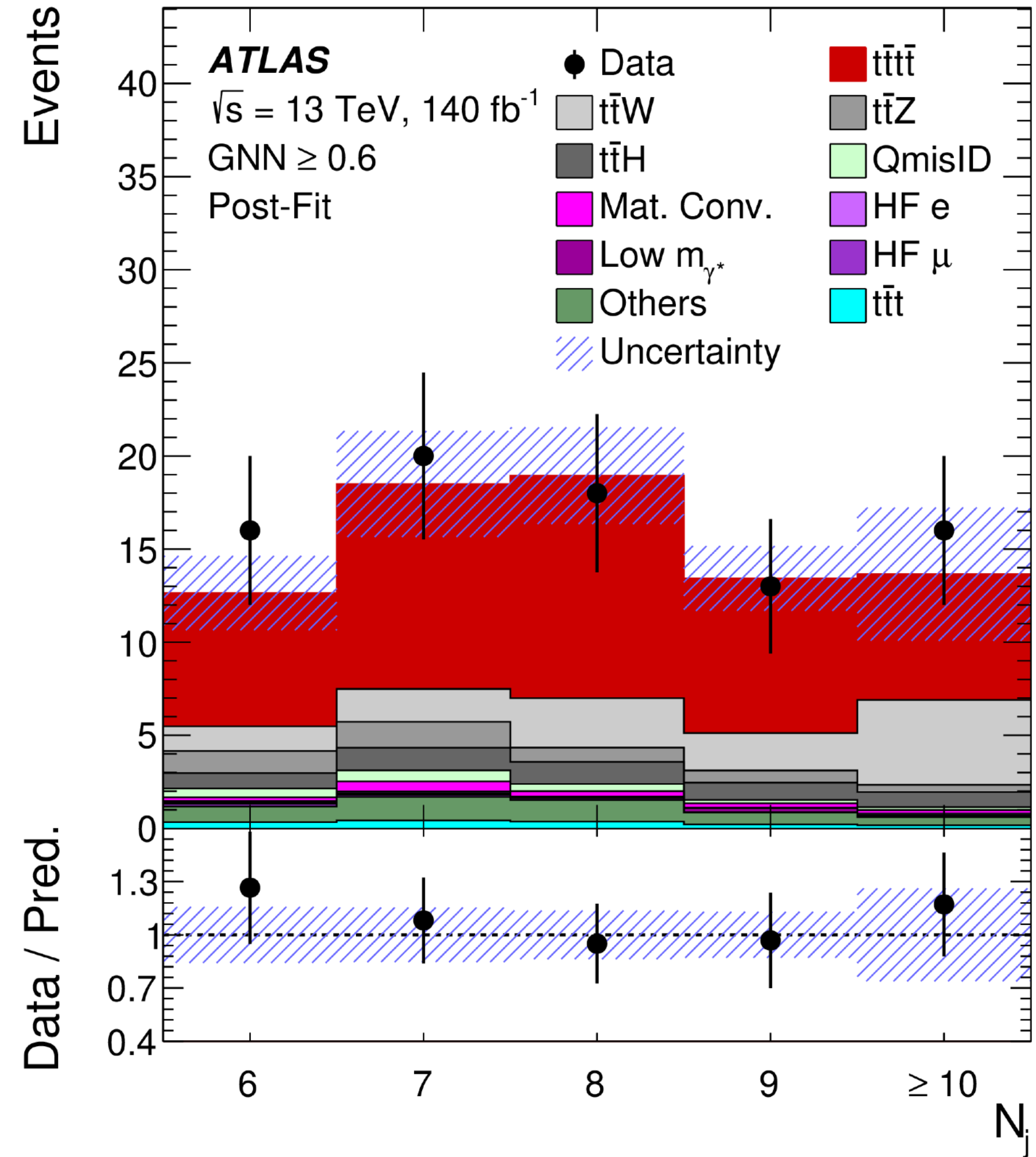
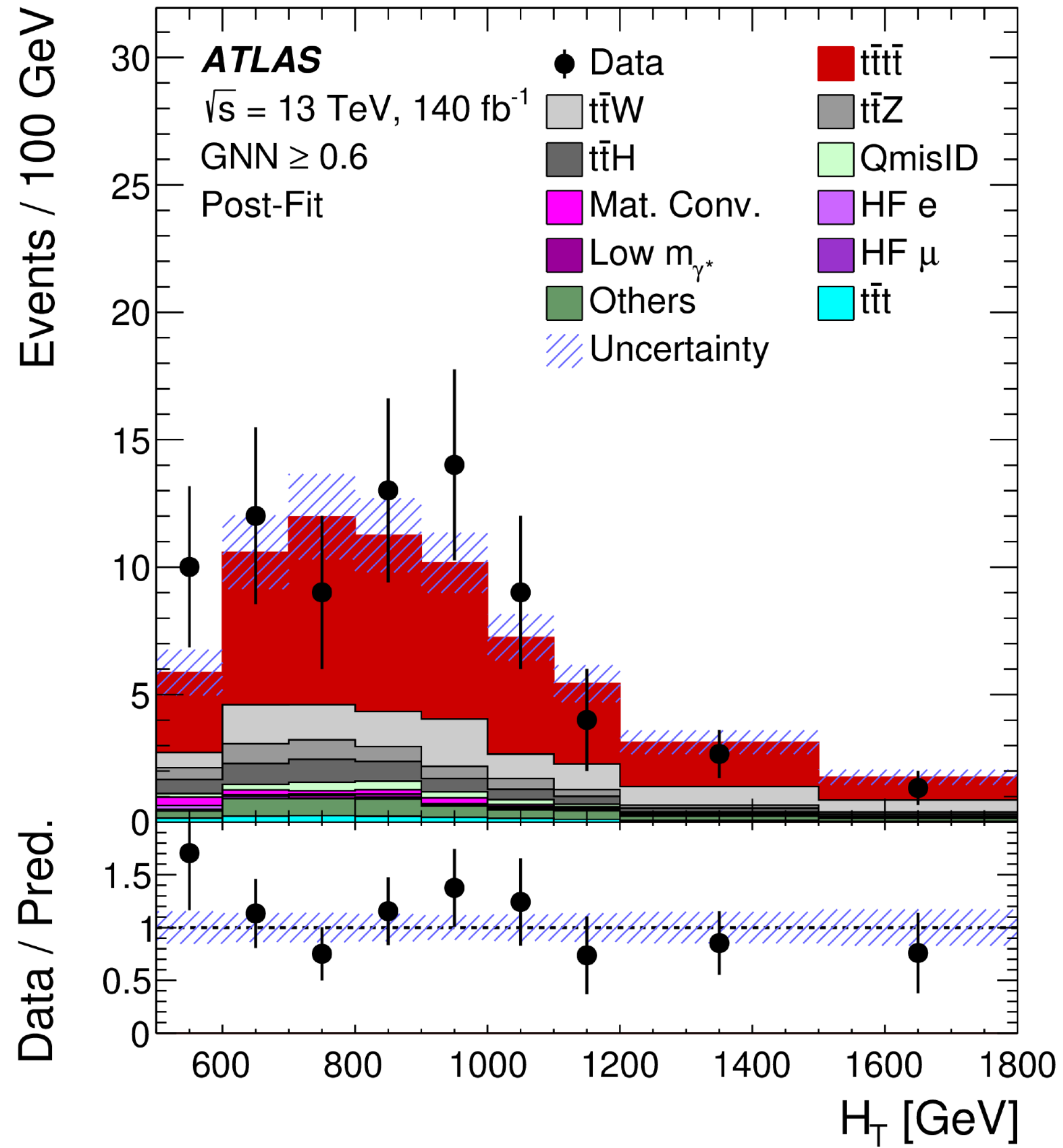
- Trained in the signal regions
 - increased weights assigned to $t\bar{t}W$ events with ≥ 7 jets



- most important input:
pseudo-continuous b-tagging score



Results - SM $t\bar{t}t\bar{t}$ cross section



Systematics

- Stat. dominated measurement
 - $t\bar{t}W$ estimate also depend on stat.
- $t\bar{t}t\bar{t}$ modelling uncertainties
 - aMC@NLO+Pythia8 vs. Sherpa
 - aMC@NLO+Pythia8 vs +Herwig7
 - both aMC@NLO and Sherpa samples are LO QCD+EW with NLO QCD

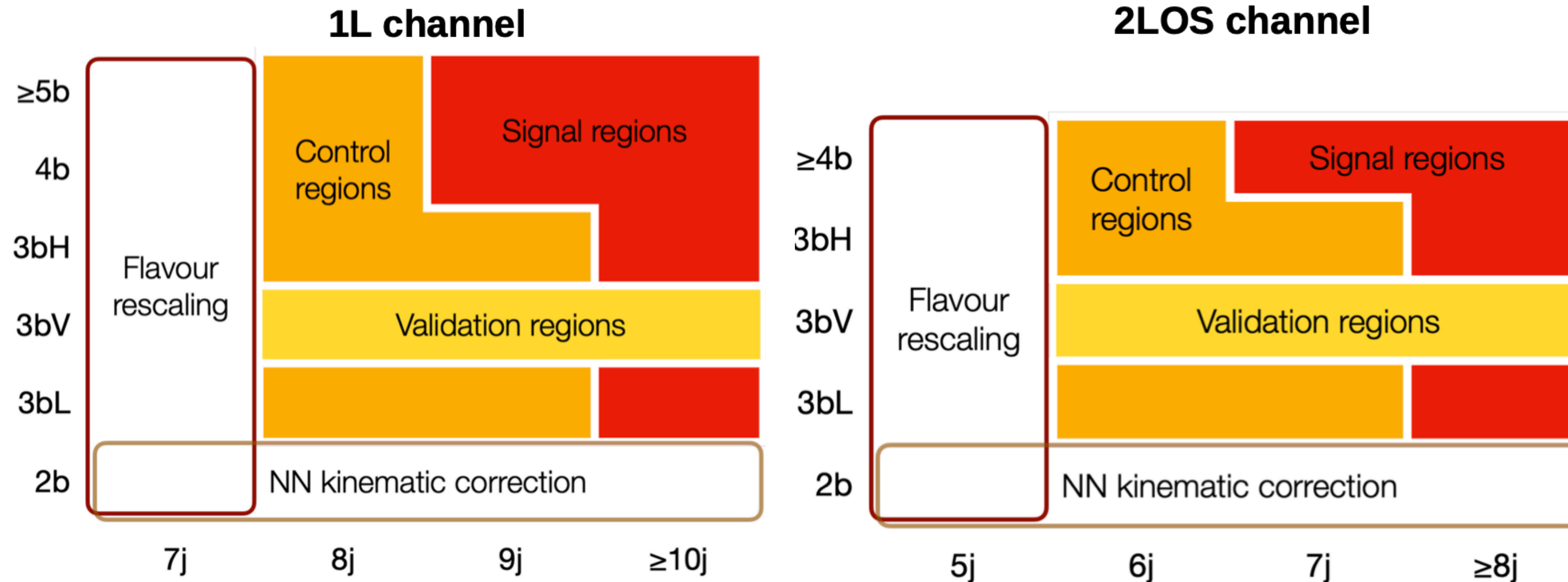
Uncertainty source	$\Delta\sigma$ [fb]		$\Delta\sigma/\sigma$ [%]	
Signal modelling				
$t\bar{t}t\bar{t}$ generator choice	+3.7	-2.7	+17	-12
$t\bar{t}t\bar{t}$ parton shower model	+1.6	-1.0	+7	-4
Other $t\bar{t}t\bar{t}$ modelling	+0.8	-0.5	+4	-2
Background modelling				
$t\bar{t}H$ +jets modelling	+0.9	-0.7	+4	-3
$t\bar{t}W$ +jets modelling	+0.8	-0.8	+4	-3
$t\bar{t}Z$ +jets modelling	+0.5	-0.4	+2	-2
Other background modelling	+0.5	-0.4	+2	-2
Non-prompt leptons modelling	+0.4	-0.3	+2	-2
$t\bar{t}t\bar{t}$ modelling	+0.3	-0.2	+1	-1
Charge misassignment	+0.1	-0.1	+0	-0
Instrumental				
Jet flavour tagging (b -jets)	+1.1	-0.8	+5	-4
Jet uncertainties	+1.1	-0.7	+5	-3
Jet flavour tagging (light-flavour jets)	+0.9	-0.6	+4	-3
Jet flavour tagging (c -jets)	+0.5	-0.4	+2	-2
Simulation sample size	+0.4	-0.3	+2	-1
Other experimental uncertainties	+0.4	-0.3	+2	-1
Luminosity	+0.2	-0.2	+1	-1
Total systematic uncertainty	+4.6	-3.4	+20	-16
Statistical				
Intrinsic statistical uncertainty	+4.2	-3.9	+19	-17
$t\bar{t}W$ +jets normalisation and scaling factors	+1.2	-1.1	+6	-5
Non-prompt leptons normalisation (HF, Mat. Conv., Low m_{γ^*})	+0.4	-0.3	+2	-1
Total statistical uncertainty	+4.7	-4.3	+21	-19
Total uncertainty	+6.6	-5.5	+29	-25

Search for 2HDM $t\bar{t}A/H \rightarrow t\bar{t}t\bar{t}$

3bL = Light-flavour enriched
 3bH = Heavy-flavour enriched
 3bV = Validation region

- ATLAS 1L/2LOS channel ([arXiv:2408.17164](https://arxiv.org/abs/2408.17164), submitted to EPJC)
 - Events categorised using number of jets and various b-tagging requirements

Name	$N_b^{60\%}$	$N_b^{70\%}$	$N_b^{85\%}$
2b	-	= 2	-
3bL	≤ 2	= 3	-
3bH	= 3	= 3	> 3
3bV	= 3	= 3	= 3
$\geq 4b$ (2LOS)	-	≥ 4	-
4b (1L)	-	= 4	-
$\geq 5b$ (1L)	-	≥ 5	-



Variable	Description
$\sum_{i \in [1,6]} \text{pcb}_i$	Sum of the pcb scores of the six jets with the highest scores
H_T	p_T sum of all reconstructed leptons and jets
N_{jets}	Jet multiplicities
H_T^{ratio}	p_T sum of the four leading jets in p_T divided by the p_T sum of the remaining jets
$dR_{jj}^{\text{avg.}}$	Average ΔR across all jet pairs
m_T^W	W -boson transverse mass calculated using the lepton four-momenta and E_T^{miss} (1L only)
$\Delta R_{bb}^{\text{min.}}$	Minimum ΔR between any pair of jets b -tagged at the 70% OP
$\Delta R_{\ell b}^{\text{min.}}$	Minimum ΔR between any pair of lepton and jet b -tagged at the 70% OP
$m_{bbb}^{\text{avg.}}$	Average invariant mass of all triplets of jets b -tagged at the 70% OP
$m_{jjj}^{\text{avg.}}$	Average invariant mass of all jet-triplets with an angular separation of $\Delta R < 3$
$\sum d_{12}$	Sum of the first k_t splitting scale d_{12} over all large- R jets
$\sum d_{23}$	Sum of the second k_t splitting scale d_{12} over all large- R jets
$N_{\text{LR-jets}}$	Number of large- R jets with a mass greater than 100 GeV
Centrality	$\sum_i p_T^i / \sum_i E_i$ where the sums are performed over all reconstructed jets and leptons
$m_{\ell\ell}$	Invariant mass of the two leptons (2LOS only)

$$O(\mathbf{x}) = P(\text{data}|\mathbf{x}) = \frac{\alpha_{\text{data}}P_{\text{data}}(\mathbf{x})}{\alpha_{\text{data}}P_{\text{data}}(\mathbf{x}) + \alpha_{\text{sim}}P_{\text{sim}}(\mathbf{x})}, \quad w(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{\alpha_{\text{data}}P_{\text{data}}(\mathbf{x})}{\alpha_{\text{sim}}P_{\text{sim}}(\mathbf{x})} = \frac{O(\mathbf{x})}{1 - O(\mathbf{x})}.$$

- Exponential loss function to help with the training in low-stat regime

$$\mathcal{L} = P_{\text{data}}e^{-\frac{O(\mathbf{x})}{2}} + P_{\text{sim}}e^{\frac{O(\mathbf{x})}{2}}.$$

- after minimisation $\mathcal{L} = 0$
- resulting event weight

$$w(\mathbf{x}) = e^{O(\mathbf{x})}.$$

Search for heavy resonances - H/A

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- Consider 2HDM signal in the alignment limit $\sin(\beta - \alpha) \sim 1$
 - 400 - 1000 GeV, with 100 GeV steps
 - mass width set to 5 - 30 GeV, consistent with $\tan \beta = 1$
- 95% CL upper limit on $x_{\text{sec}} \times \text{BR} \sim 10 \text{ fb}$
- SM $t\bar{t}t\bar{t}$ normalised to 12 fb, with 20% uncertainty on x_{sec} , plus other modelling uncertainties

