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# a case study of using substructure analysis in new physics searches

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See talk by Jeremy Love general discussion of substructure tools being utilized in analysis



*This talk:*

Take a specific example and discuss analysis issues related to jet substructure

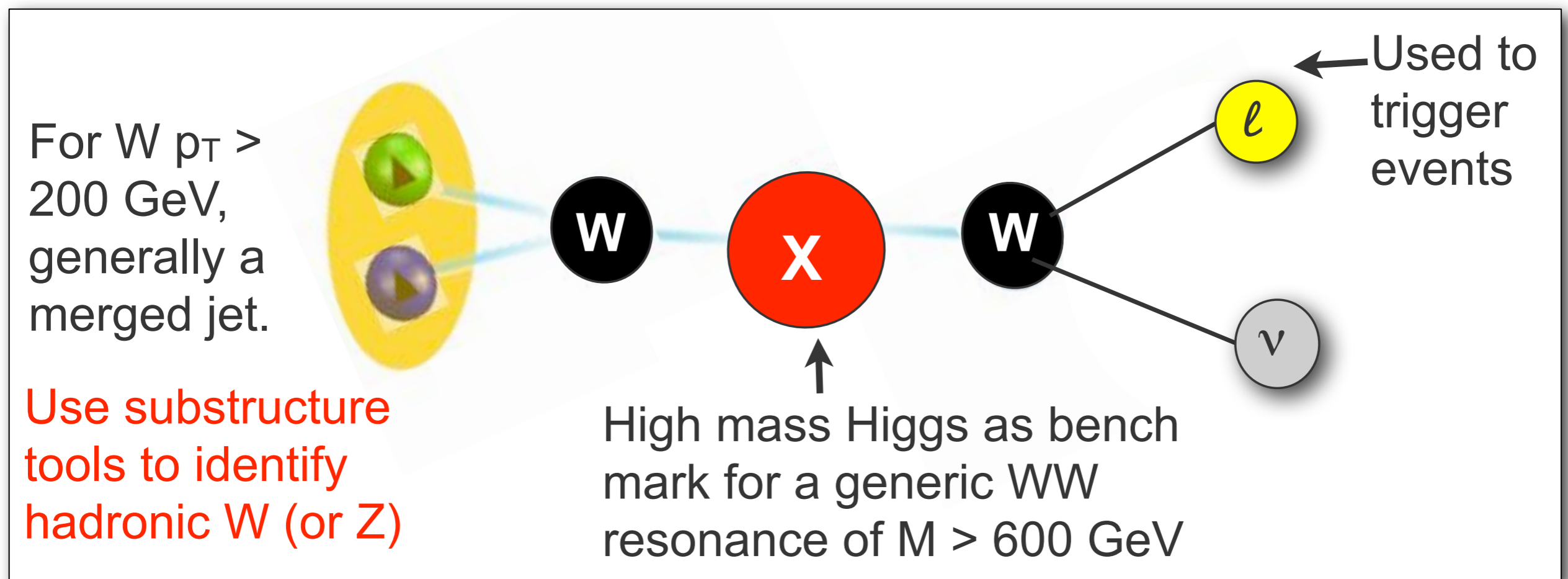
How can we ensure we understand our tagging efficiencies?

What methods do we use to estimate our backgrounds?

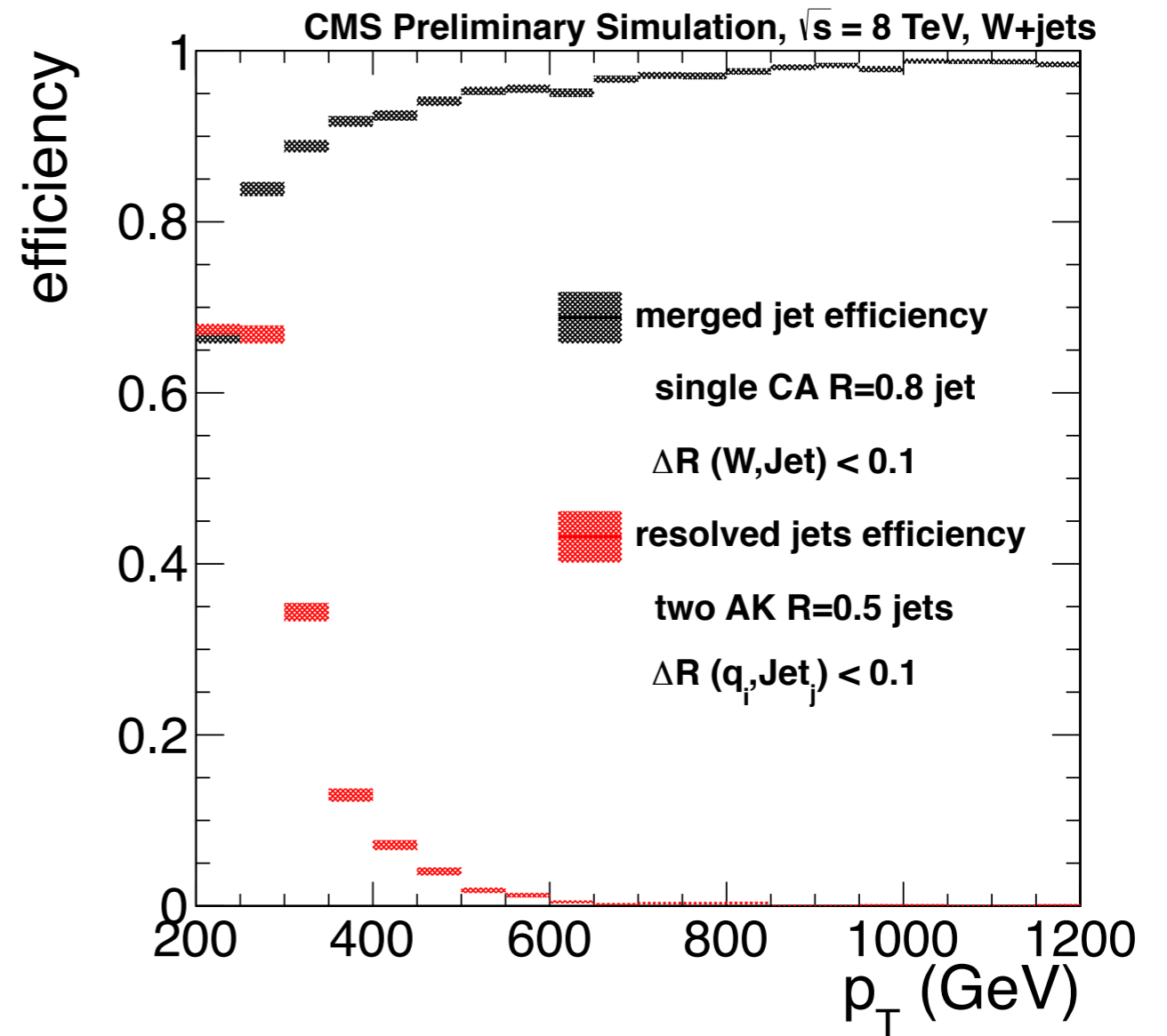
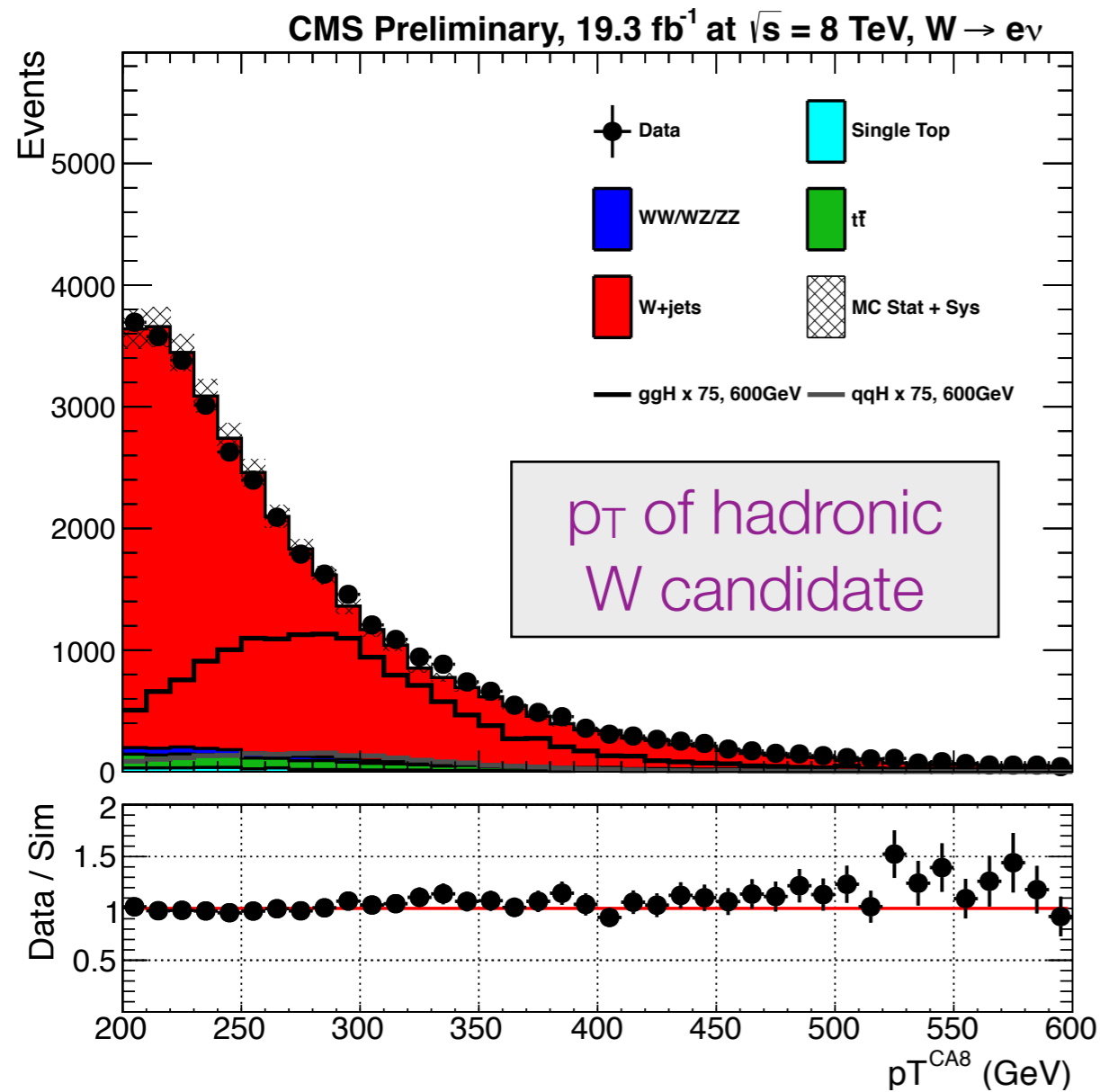
Search for high mass  $W+V$  resonance in semi-leptonic final state

**CMS PAS-HIG-13-008**: heavy Higgs interpretation, 600-1000 GeV

**CMS PAS-EXO-12-021**: massive graviton interpretation, 0.8-2.5 TeV



# why substructure?



Boosted regime has higher mass reach and less backgrounds  
 Hadronic W's start to merge around 200 GeV

# analysis features

*Backgrounds:*

W+jets (dominant)  
ttbar,  
single top,  
WW/WZ

**Signature:**  
**WW  $\rightarrow$  {l + MET} + fat jet**

Use jet substructure techniques to identify W-jets, tagging efficiencies taken from top-enriched control regions

**Kinematics:**  
**highly boosted W(lv) back-to-back with fat jet**

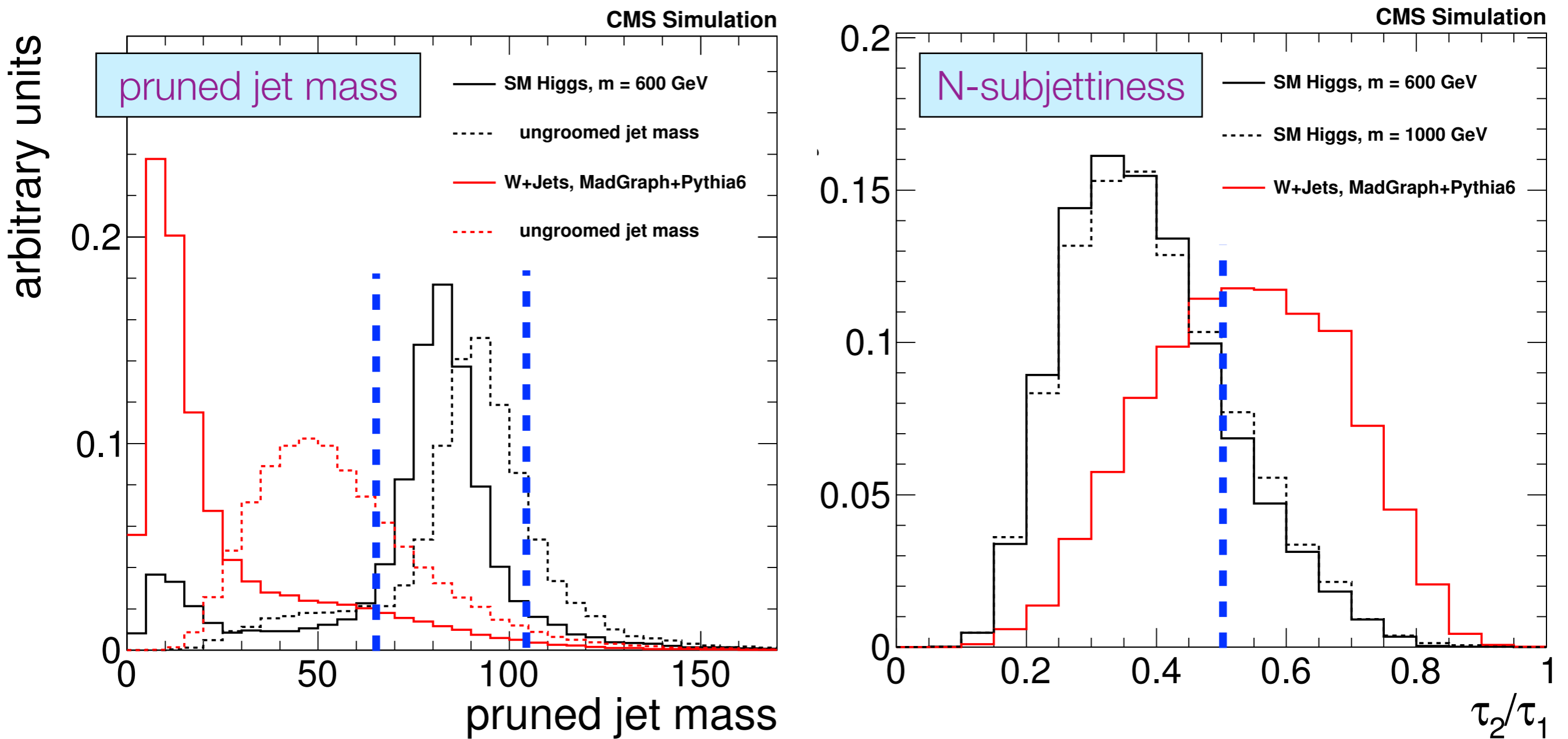
**Discriminating observables:**  
**pruned jet mass,  $m_J$ , and three-body mass,  $m_{lvJ}$**

*Background estimation:*

data-driven background extraction via  $m_J$  sideband for W+jets and top-enriched control regions

**Unbinned shape limits using  $m_{lvJ}$  shape (B)SM Higgs and Graviton limits**

# W-tagging



N.B. the correlations between discriminating variables are important  
comparisons of  $\tau_2/\tau_1$  and other observables in backup

# W-tagging

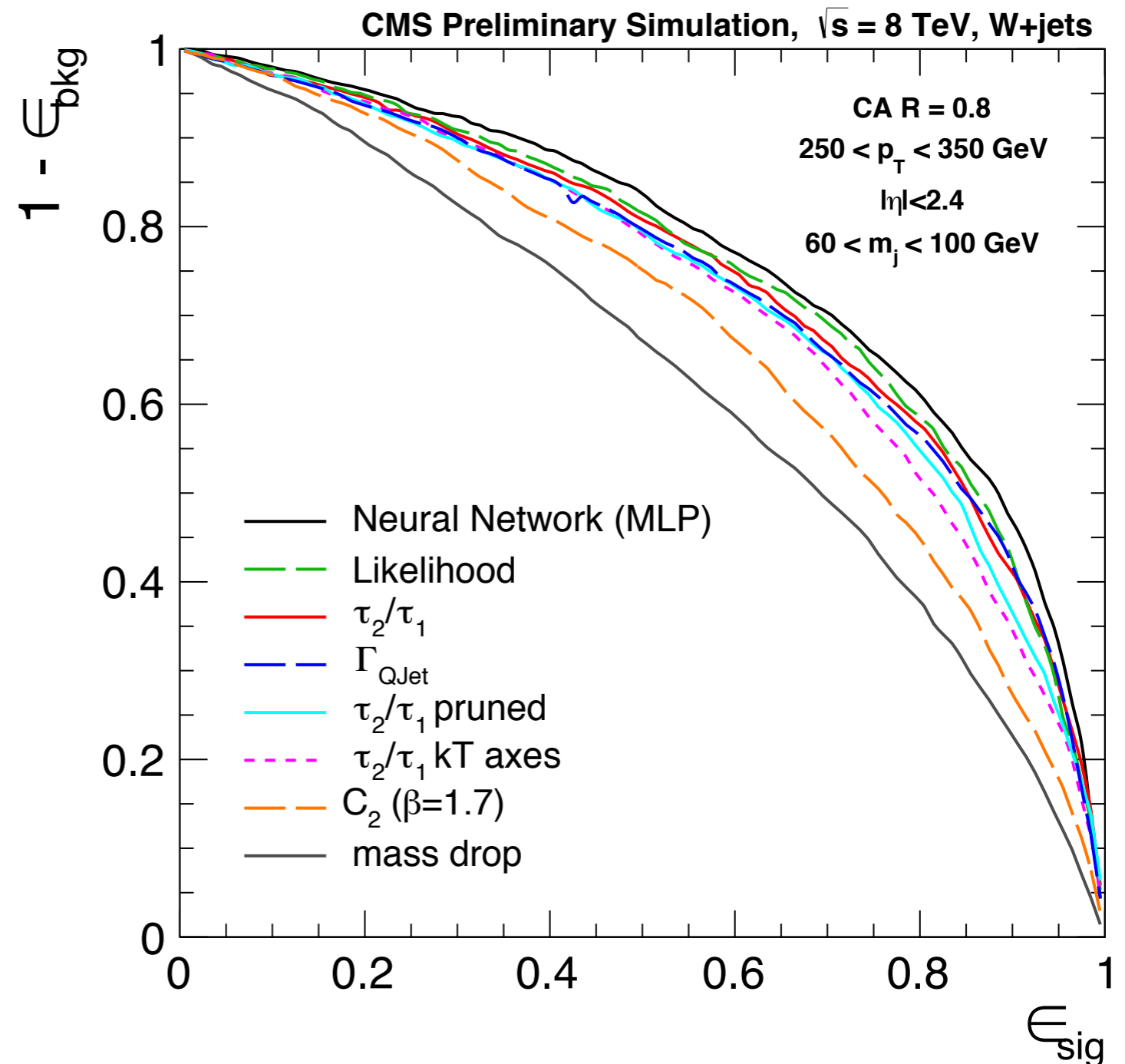
After pruned mass cut...

Compare the performance of several different observables

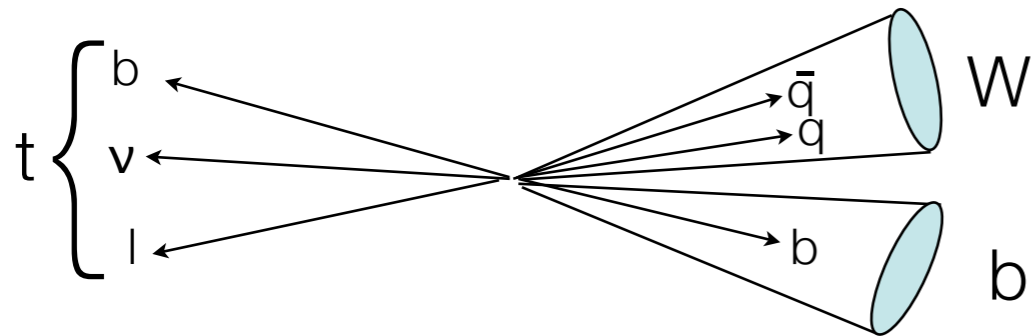
Qjets and N-subjettiness are most powerful single variables

Try combining observables into an MVA discriminant; a small improvement

Set baseline tagger as pruned jet mass +  $\tau_2/\tau_1$  cut

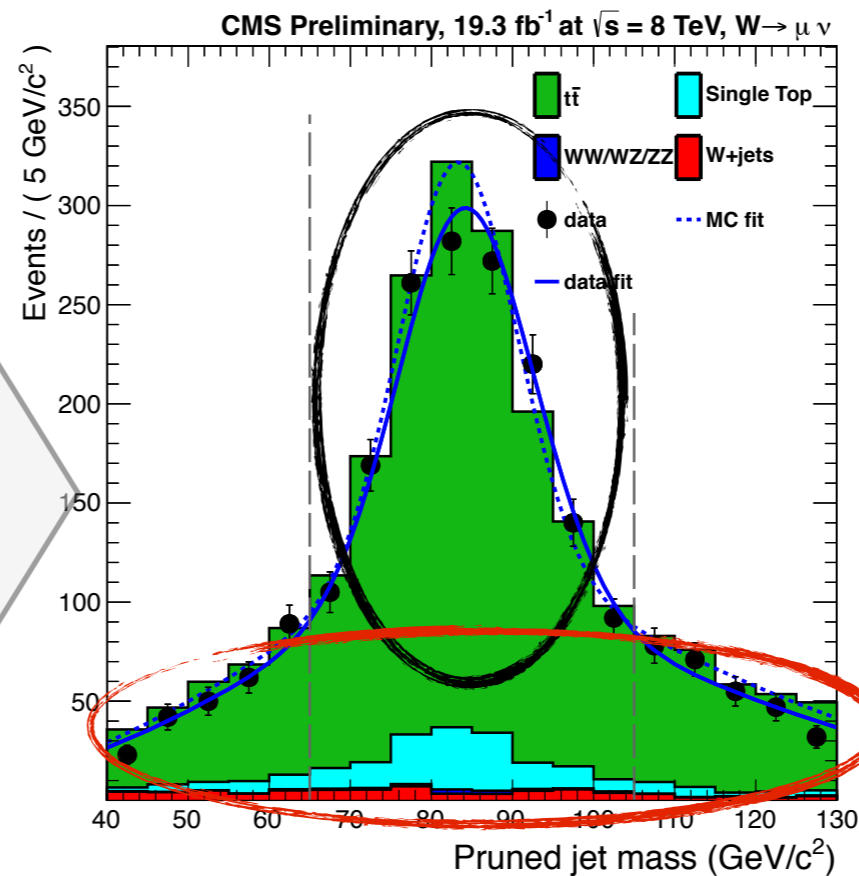
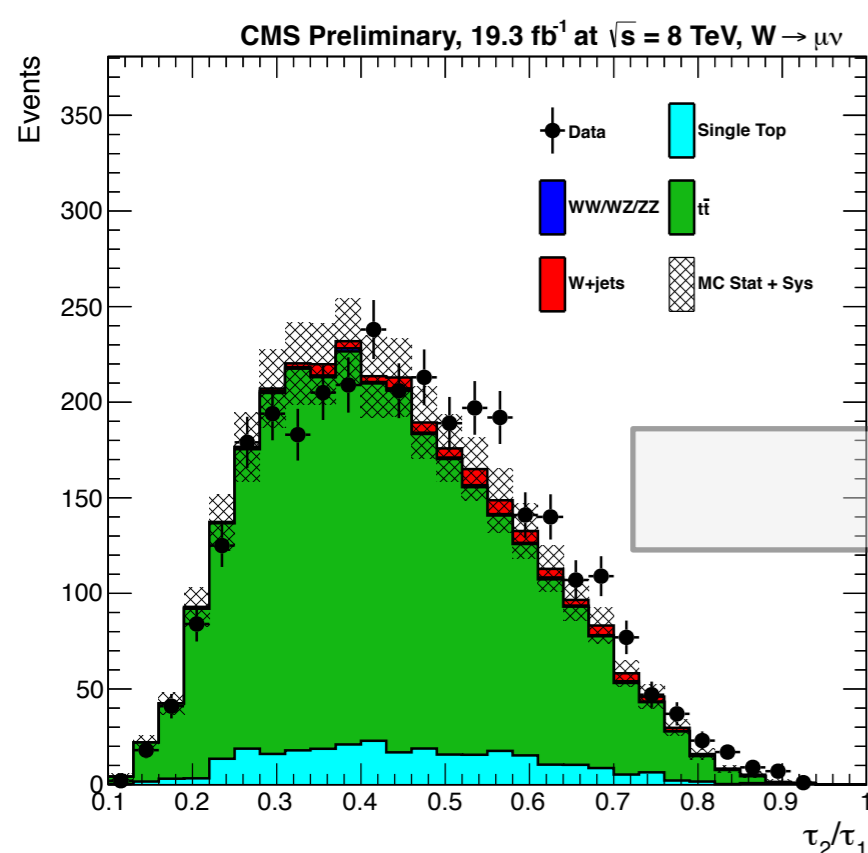


# top-enriched control region



*top-enriched control region*: by inverting the b-tagging veto, we can get a very pure sample of semi-leptonic  $t\bar{t}$ bar

1. extrapolate the  $t\bar{t}$ bar background into the signal region
2. compute W-tagging efficiency, mass scale and resolution scale factors



*What is the efficiency of tagging a W, not from top decays?*

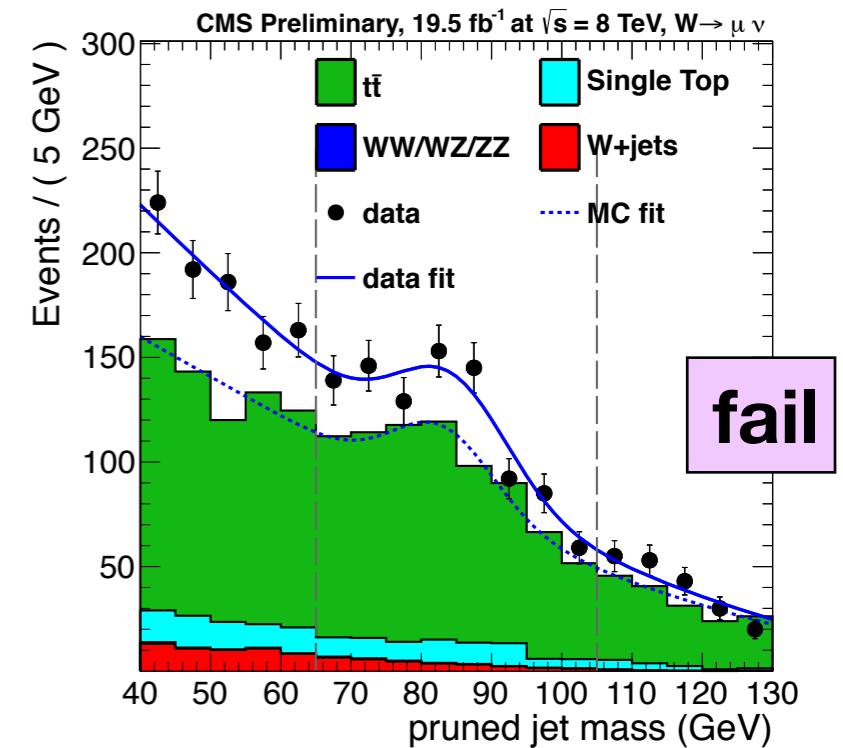
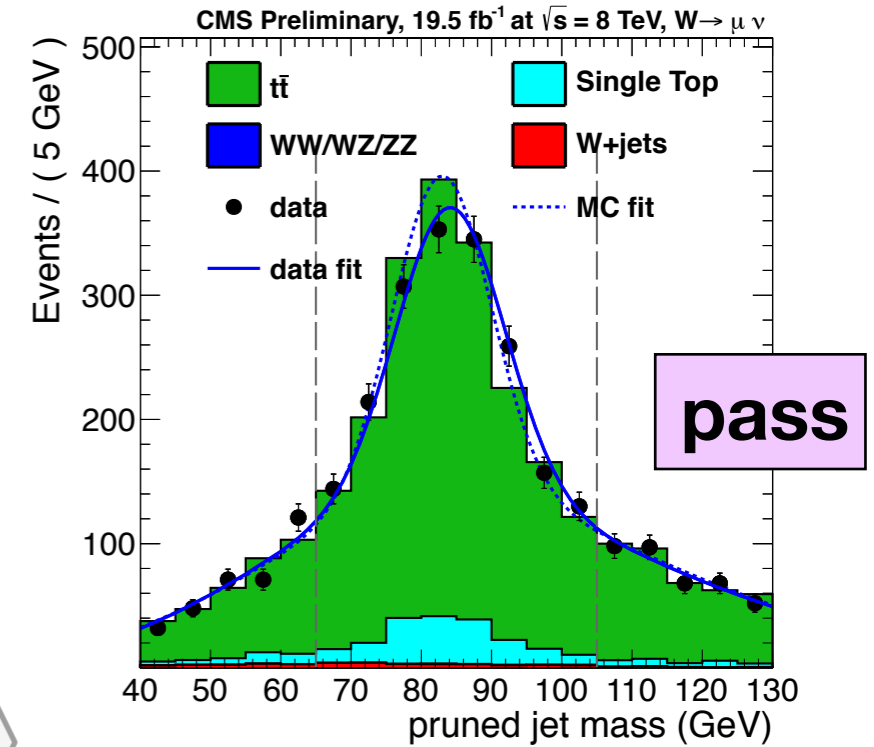
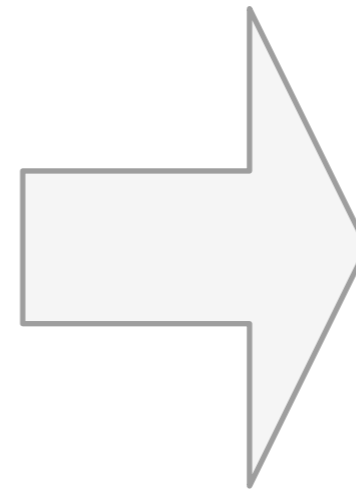
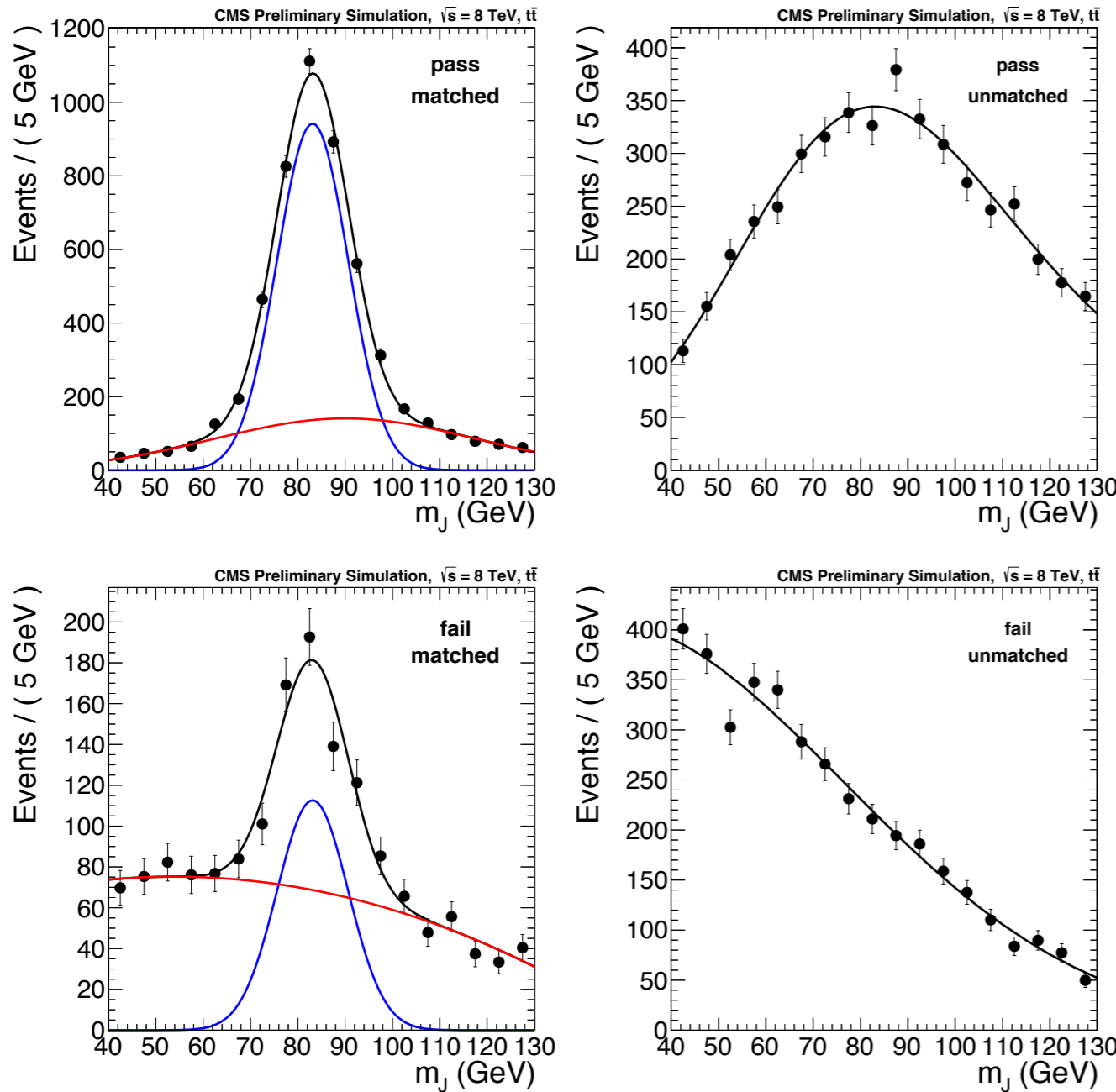
Compute the pure W-tagging efficiency from background subtracted fit.



# W-tagging efficiency, scale, resolution

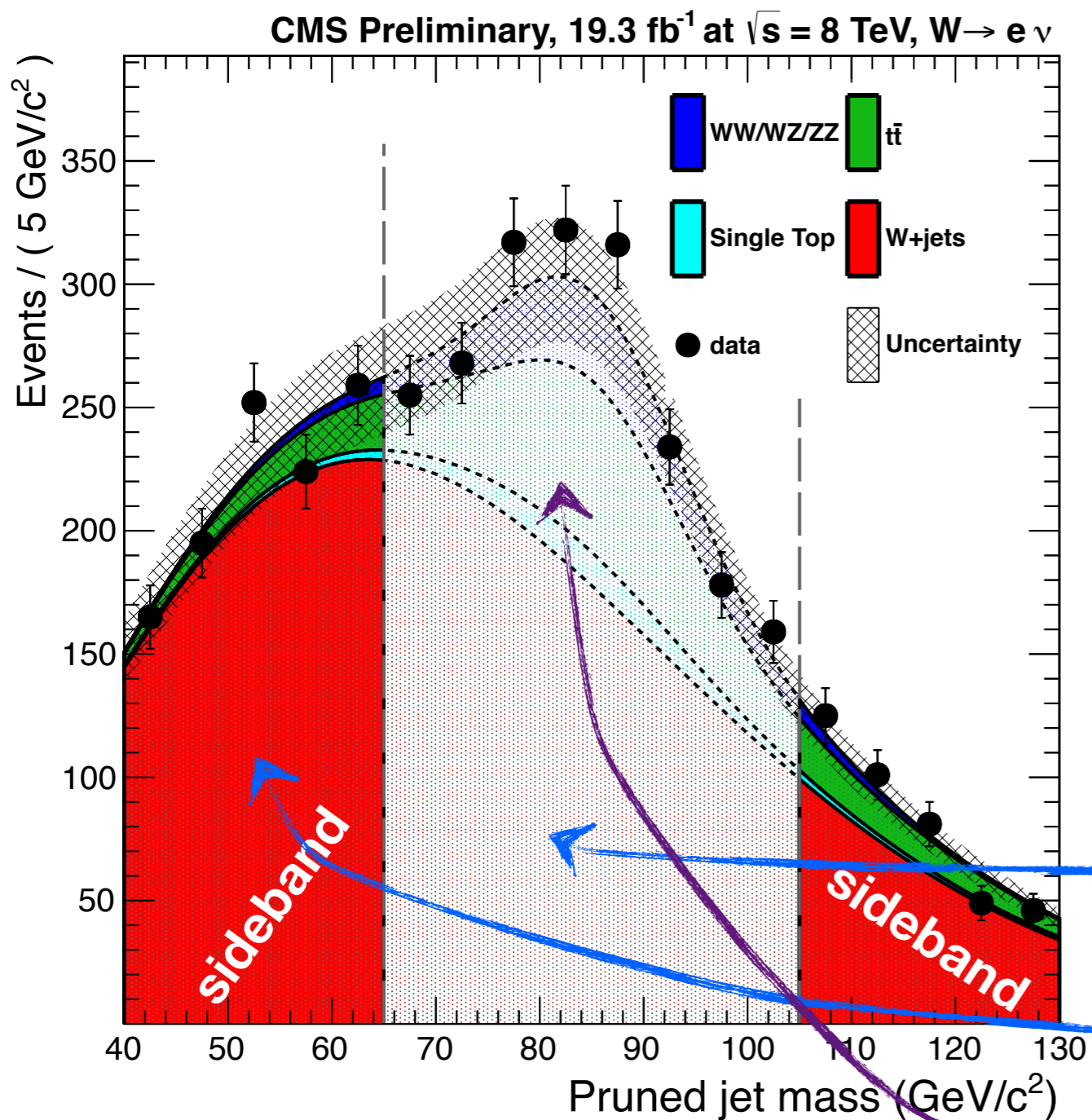
Perform simultaneous fit of the 'pass' and 'fail' samples

Shapes inspired from MC, but floated in data

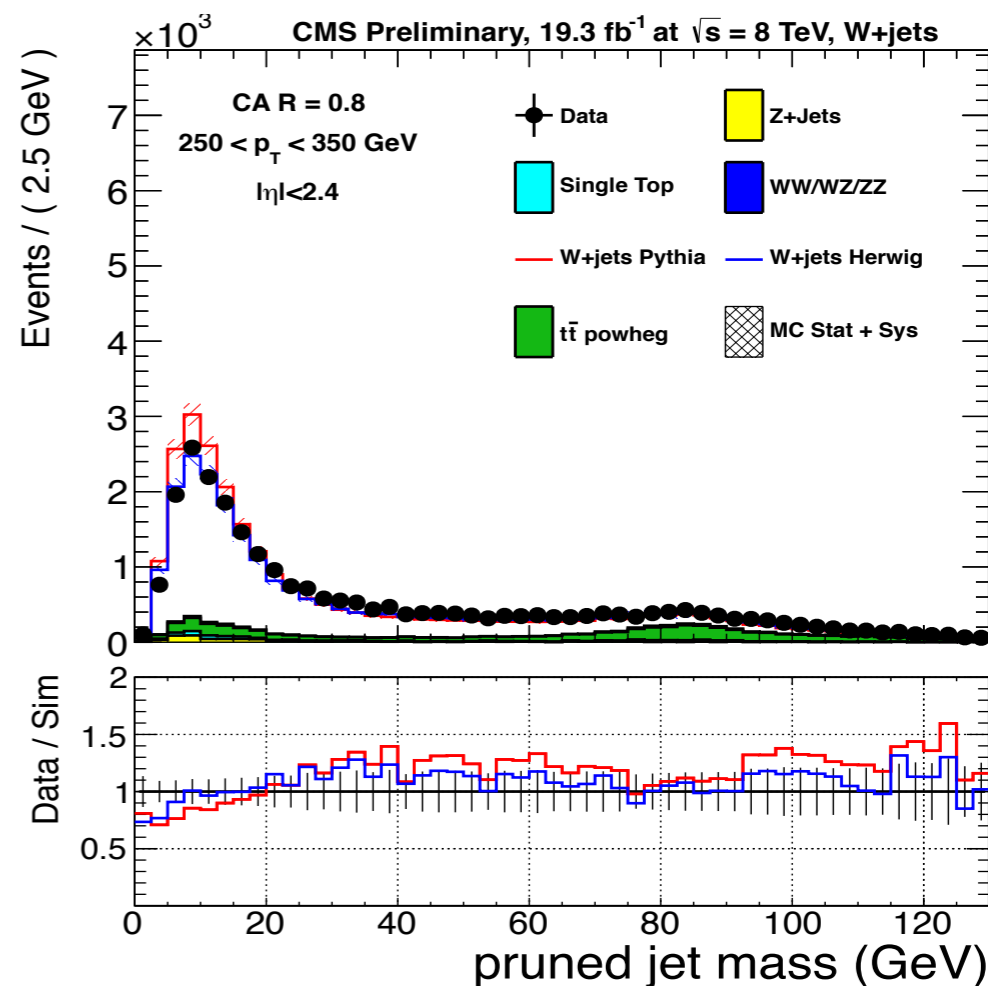


efficiency data/MC scale factor =  $0.93 \pm 0.08$

# background estimation



other subleading backgrounds constrained from MC

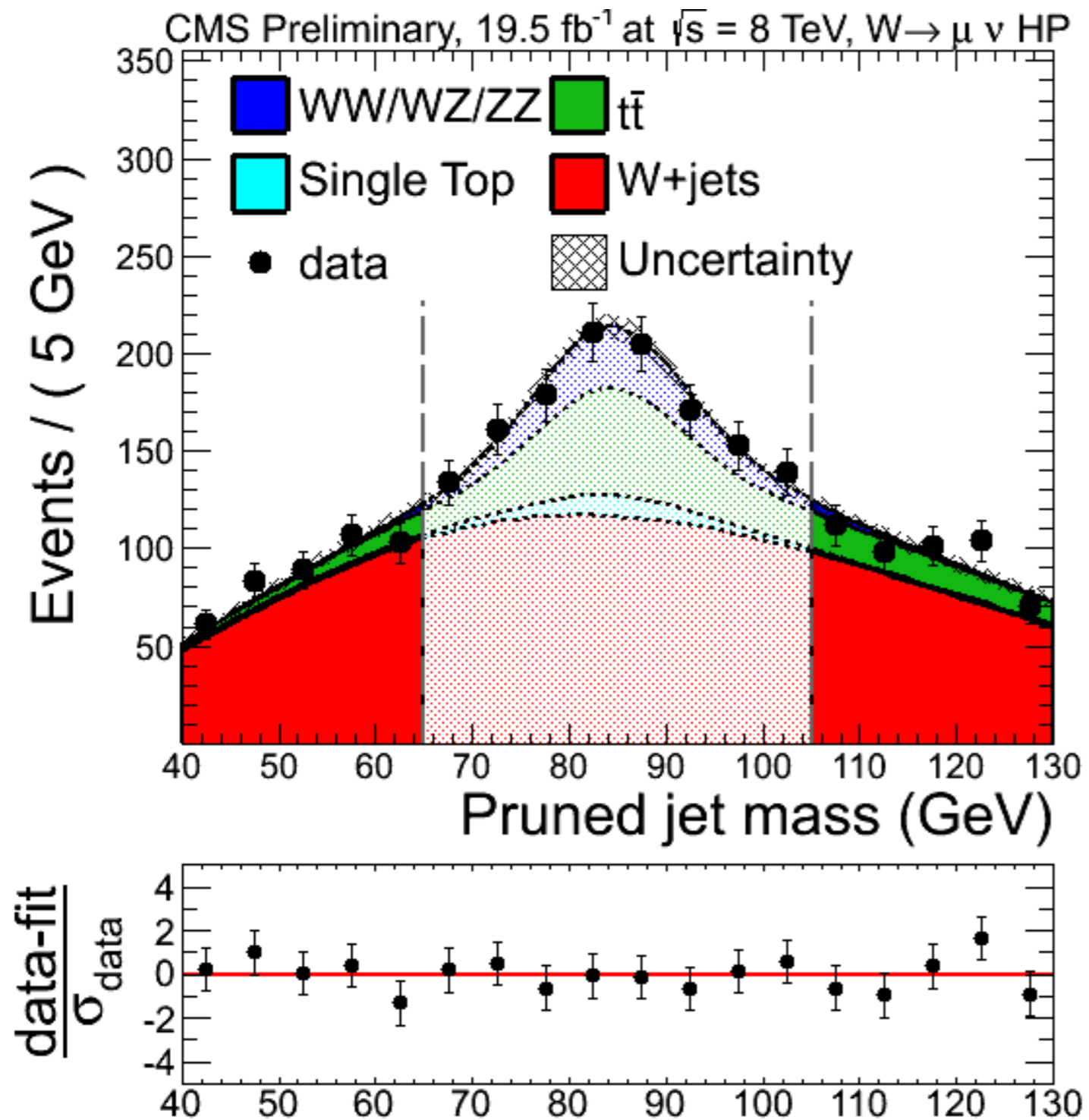


W+jets normalization estimated from sideband fit

W+jets  $m_{IVJ}$  shape extrapolated from data sidebands into signal region via MC transfer function

ttbar normalization taken from top-enriched control region; shape from MC constrained by variations on parton shower, matching and scale variations

# aside: higher $p_T$



Same plot as previous slide, but for higher signal masses

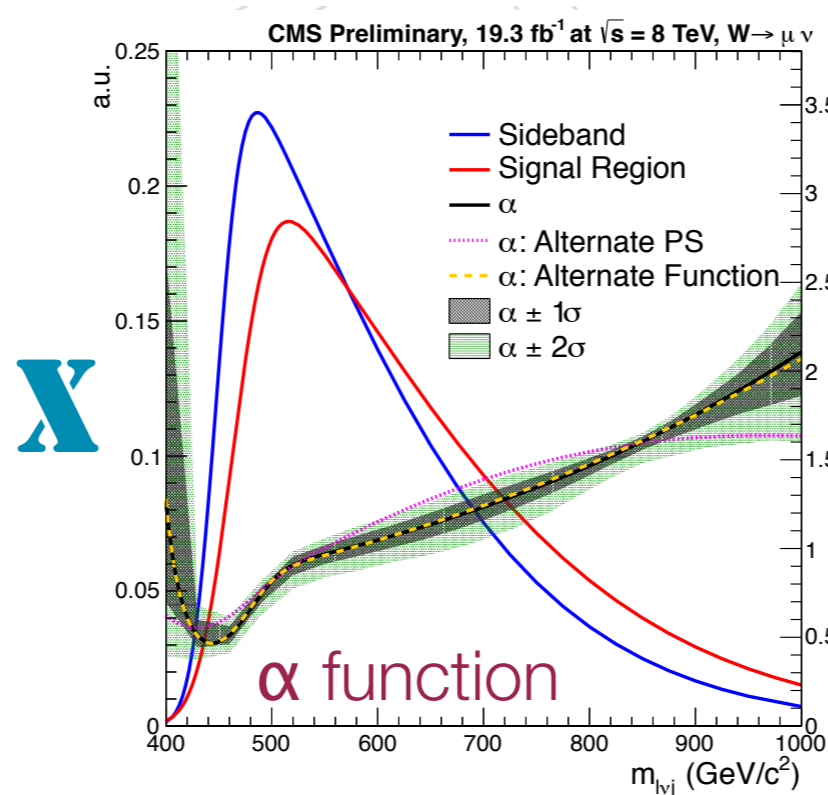
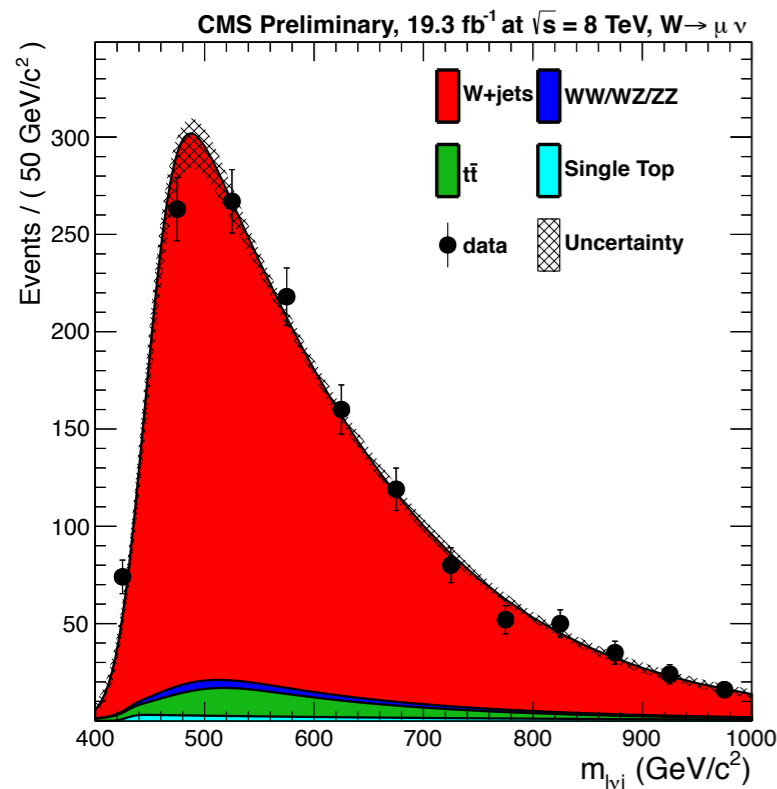
$t\bar{t}$  background starts to disappear as tops become full merged, diboson contribution starts to become more significant

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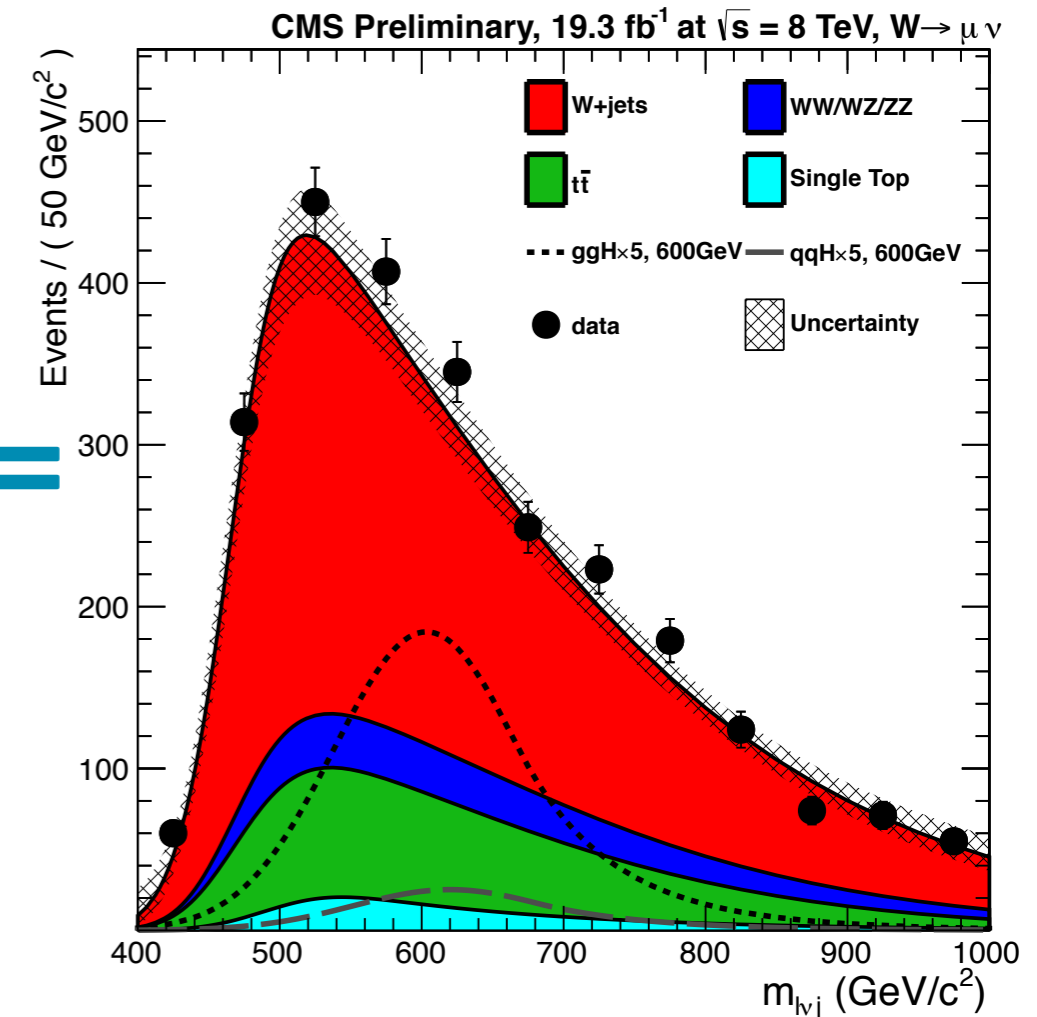
$$F_{\text{data,SR}}(m_{l\nu j}) = \alpha_{\text{MC}}(m_{l\nu j}) \times F_{\text{data,SB}}(m_{l\nu j})$$

$$\alpha_{\text{MC}}(m_{l\nu j}) = \frac{F_{\text{MC,SR}}(m_{l\nu j})}{F_{\text{MC,SB}}(m_{l\nu j})}$$

$m_j$  sideband



Putting all together:  
Final  $m_{l\nu j}$  distribution  
in signal region

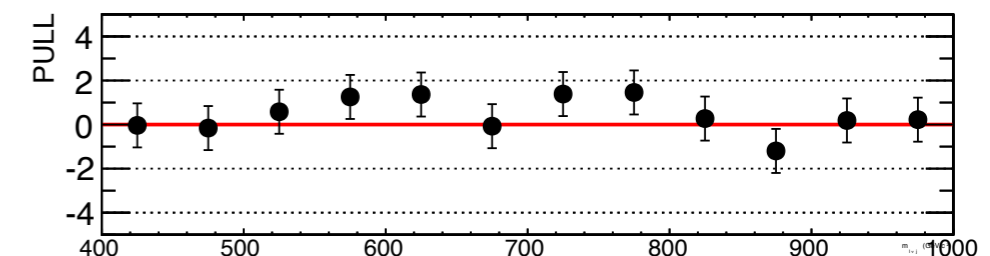


Uncertainties on W+jets shape/normalization from:

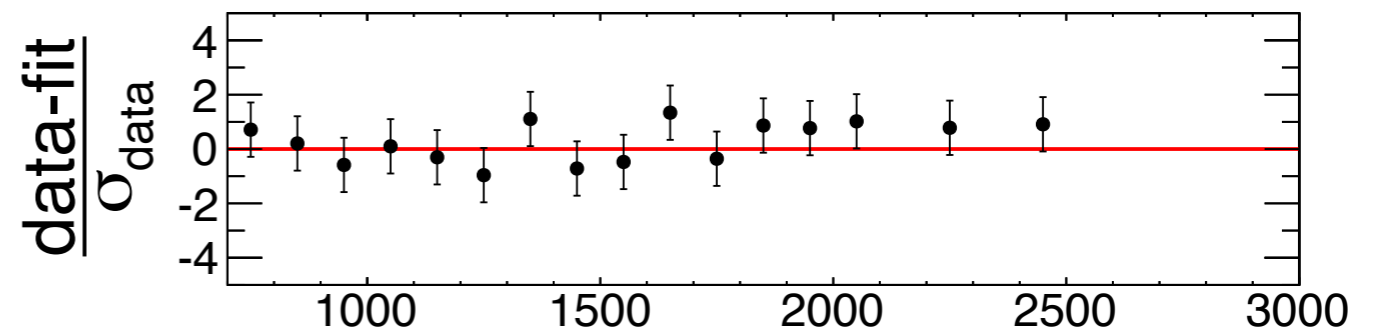
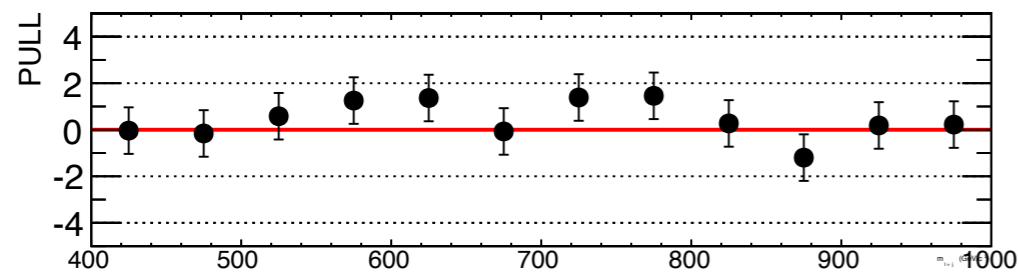
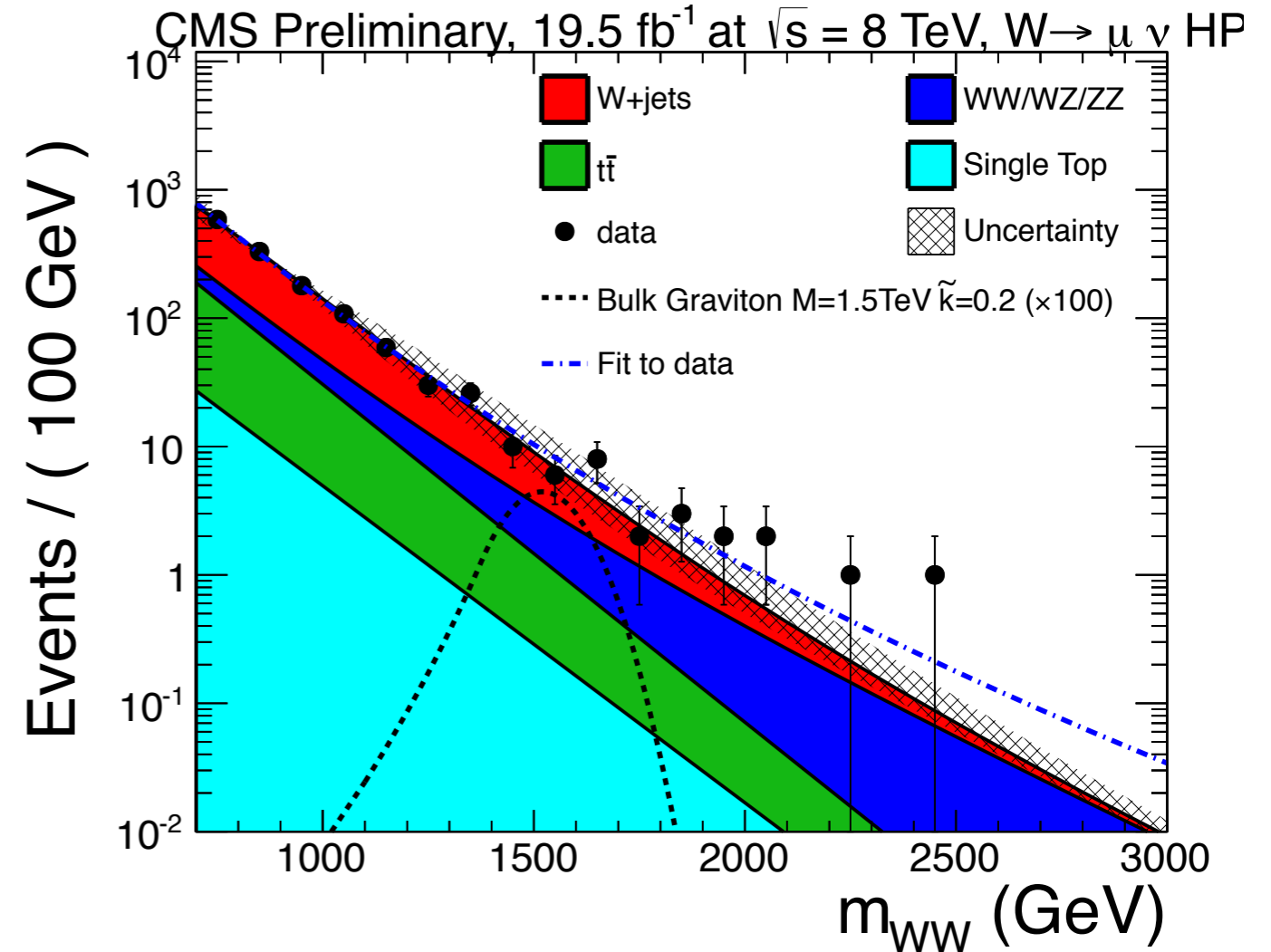
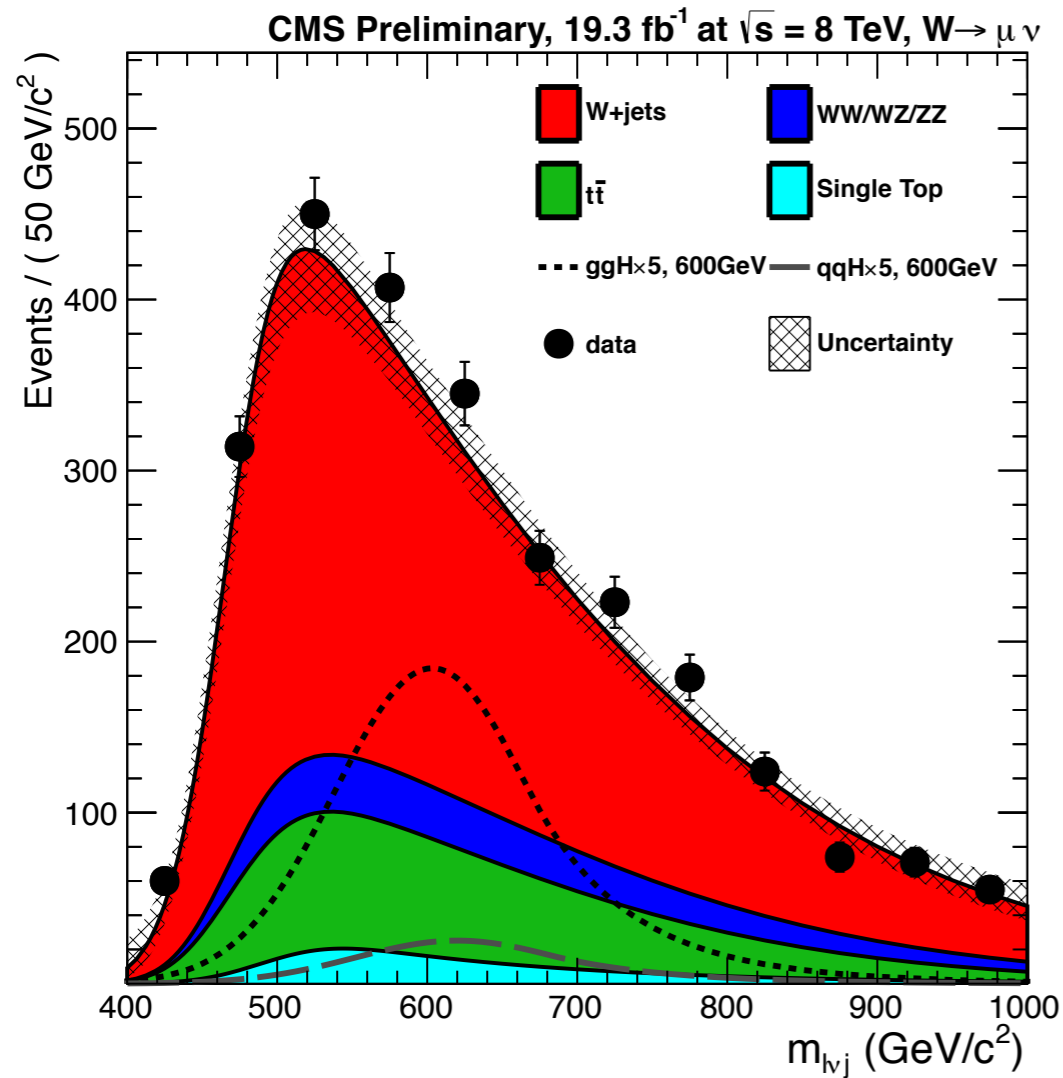
W+jets sideband fit

$\alpha$  function fit shape uncertainty

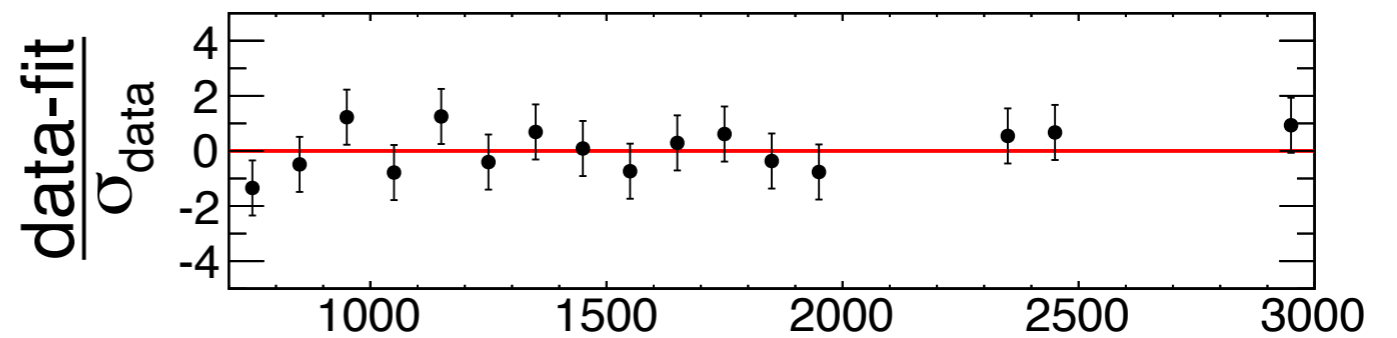
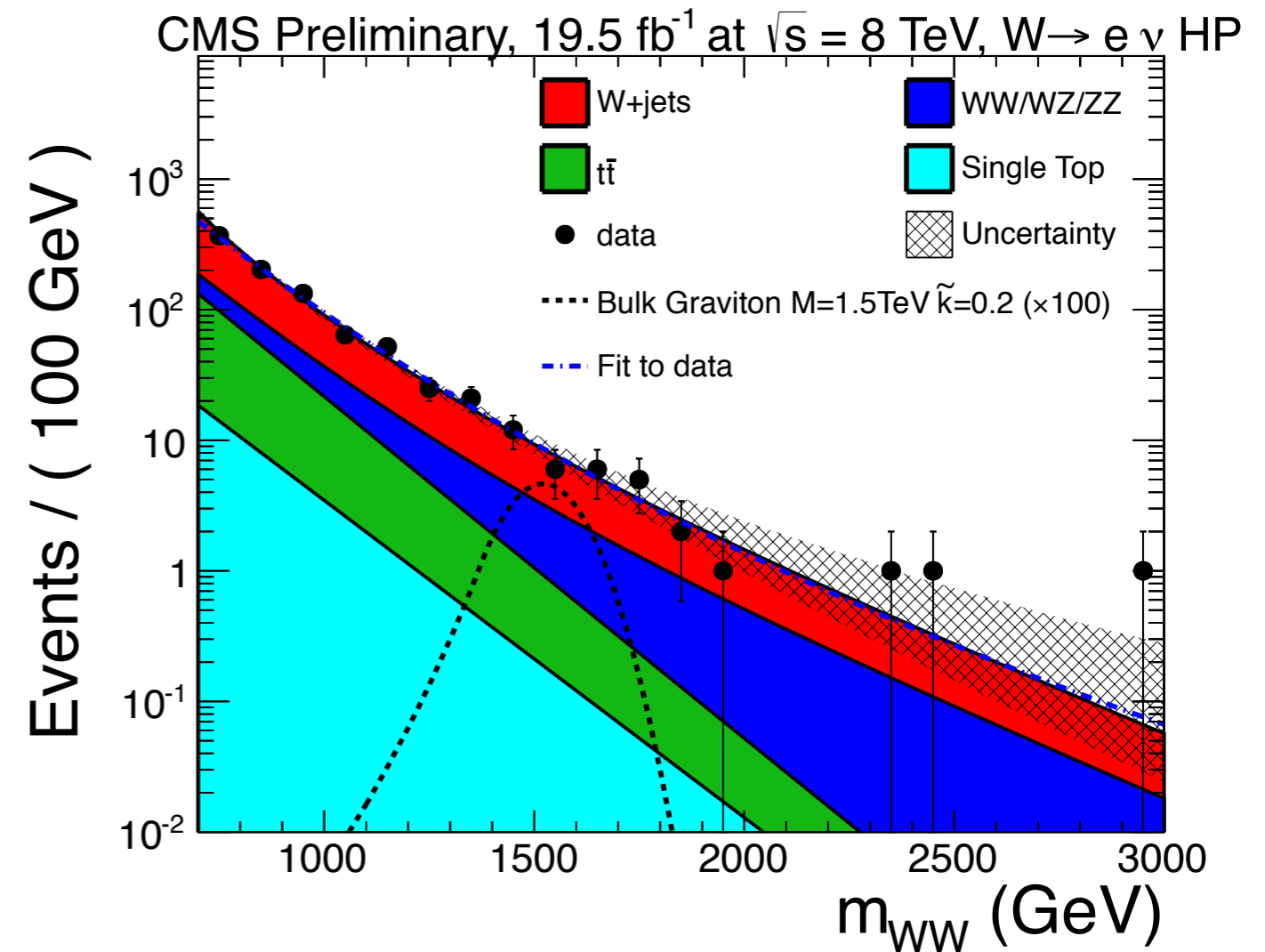
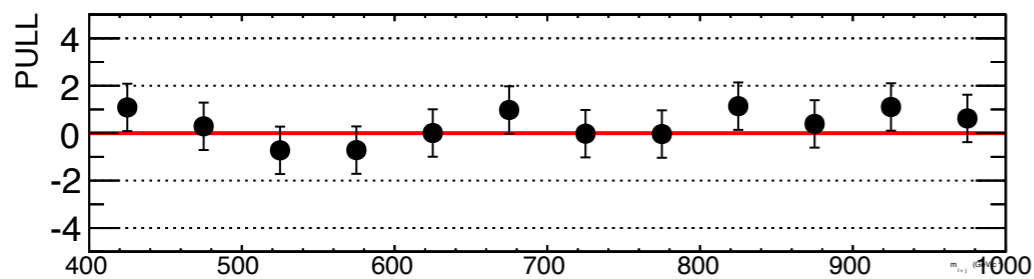
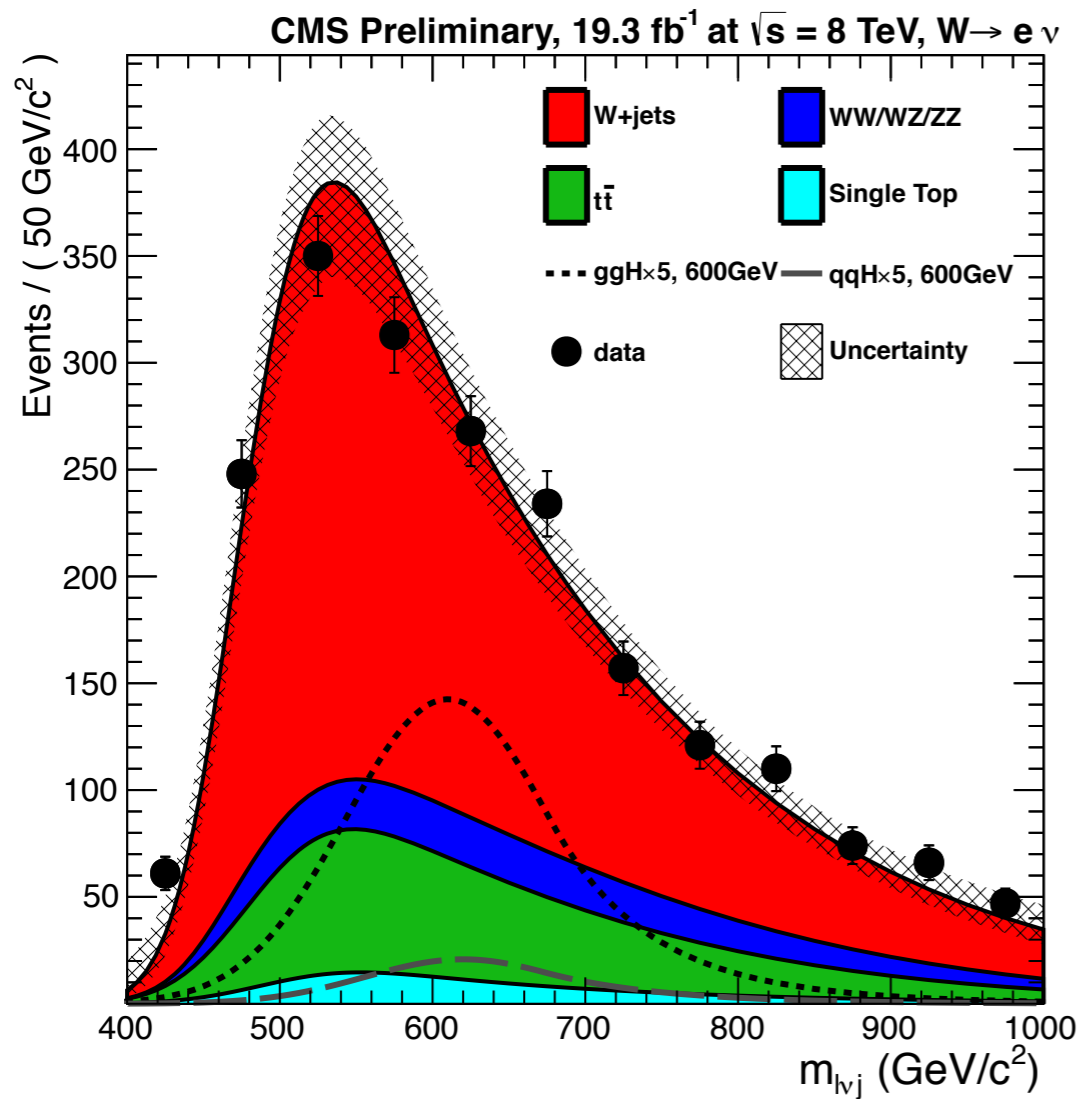
Shape uncertainty from alternate parton shower and alternate fitting functions



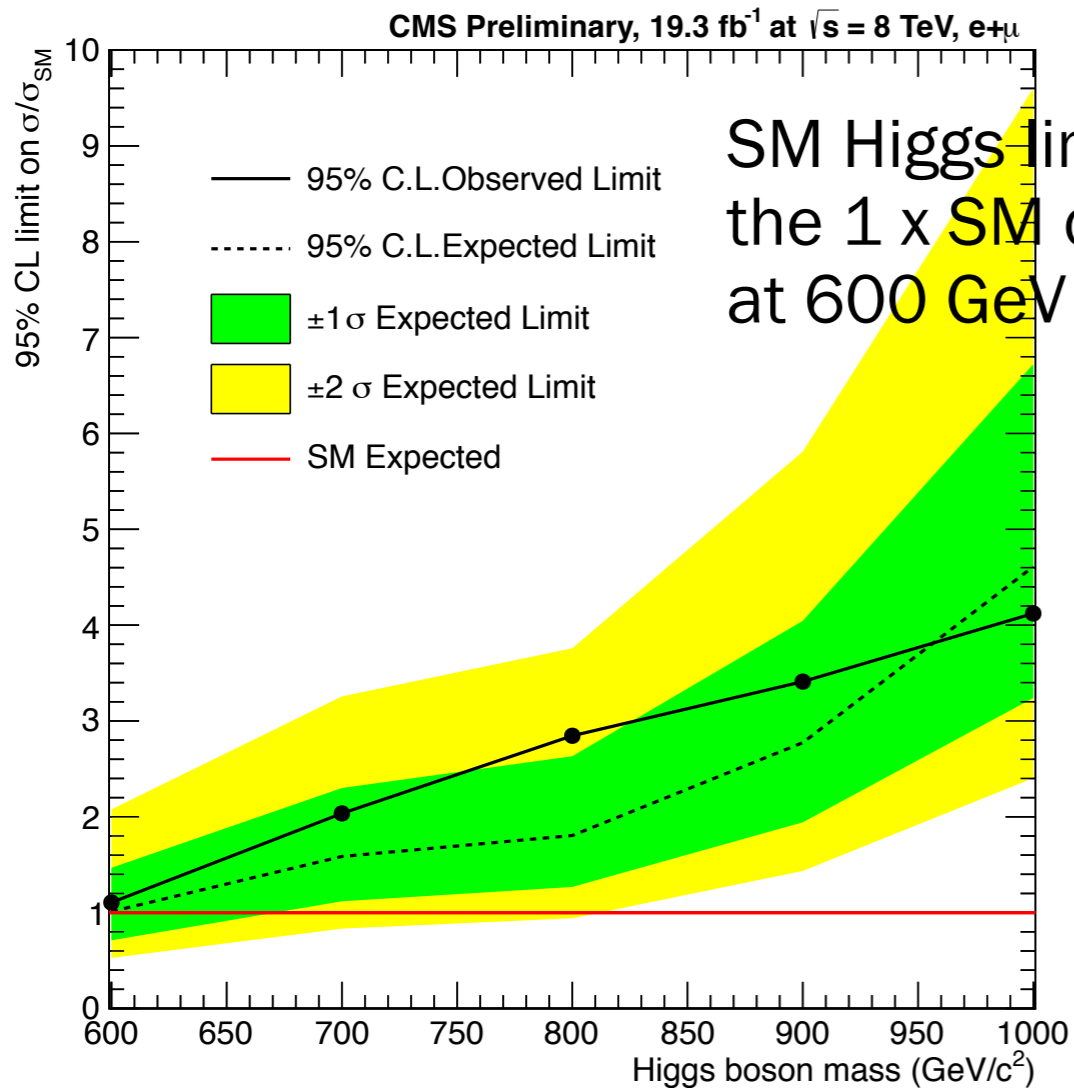
# final $m_{WW}$ distributions, $\mu$ channel



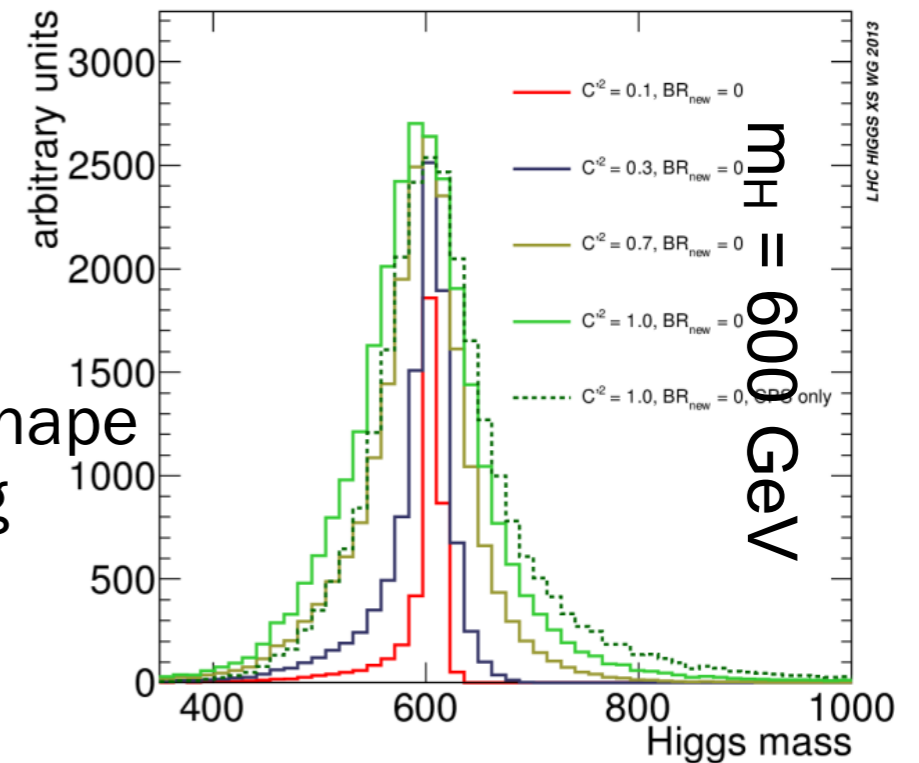
# final $m_{W\bar{W}}$ distributions, e channel



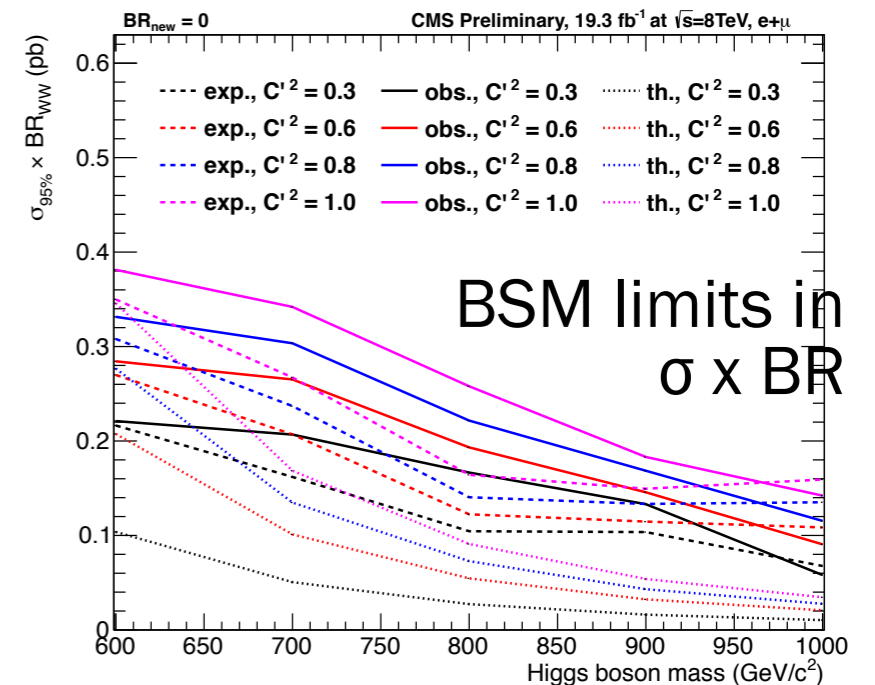
# higgs interpretation



Higgs lineshape reweighting



BSM models benchmark (LHC XS WG):  
 Higgs mixes with heavy EWK singlet  
 Higgs coupling modified --  $C^2 + C'^2 = 1$   
 Width and cross-section is modified accordingly



# graviton interpretation

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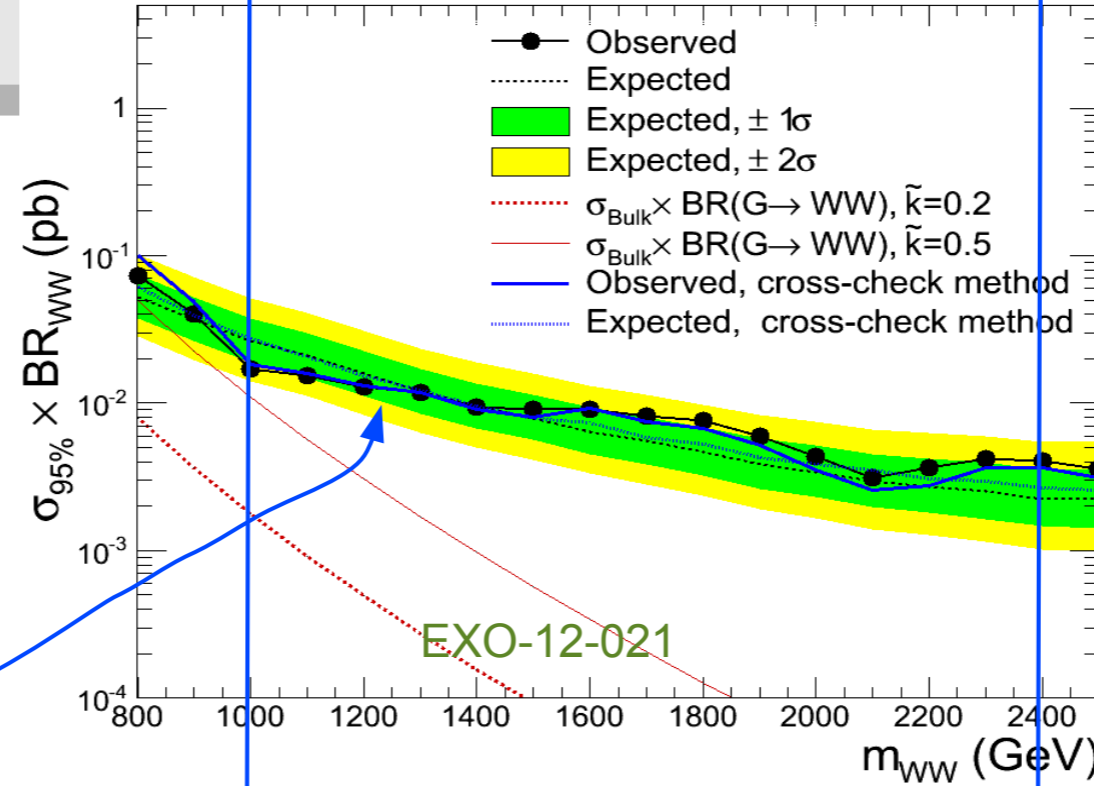
- Comparing two WW searches

(please ignore theory curves)

I+jets search does better for most of the mass range

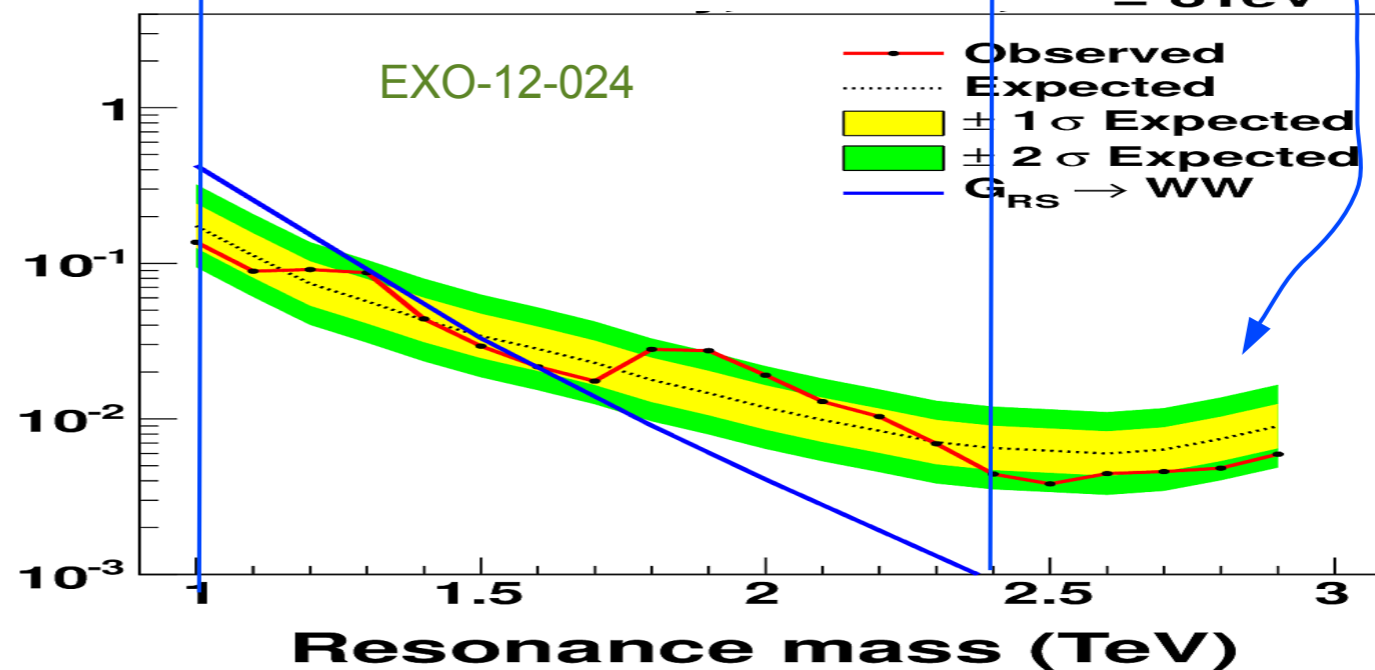
- Plan to combine the two analyses

CMS Preliminary, 19.5 fb<sup>-1</sup> at  $\sqrt{s}=8\text{TeV}$ , e+ $\mu$  combined



Dijet search goes to higher masses

$\sigma \times BR(X \rightarrow WW)$  (pb)



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# discussion points for the future

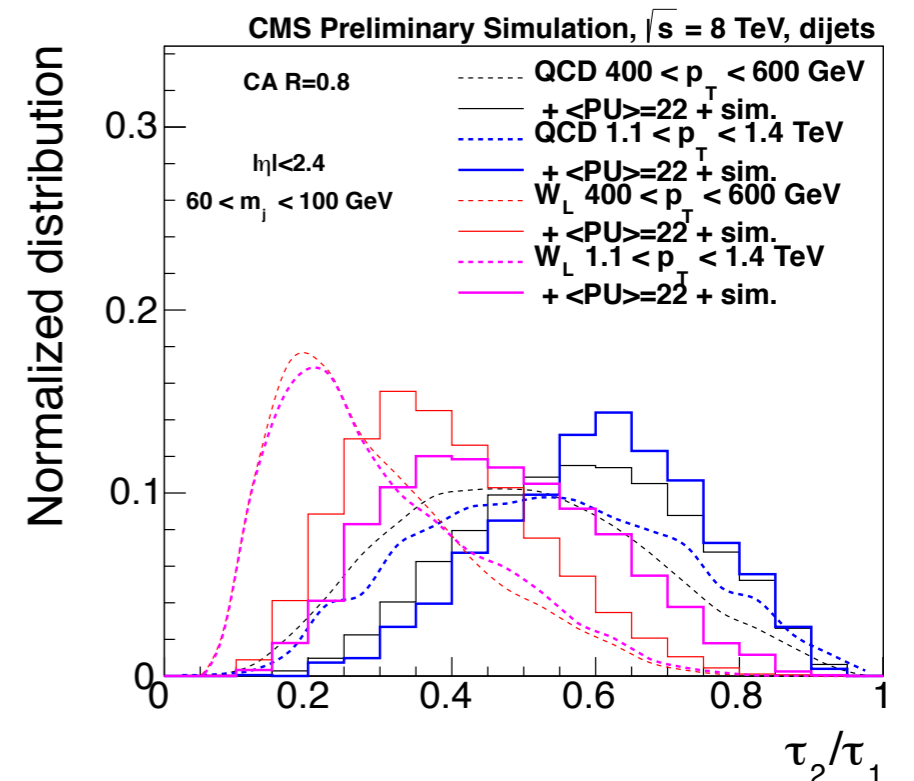
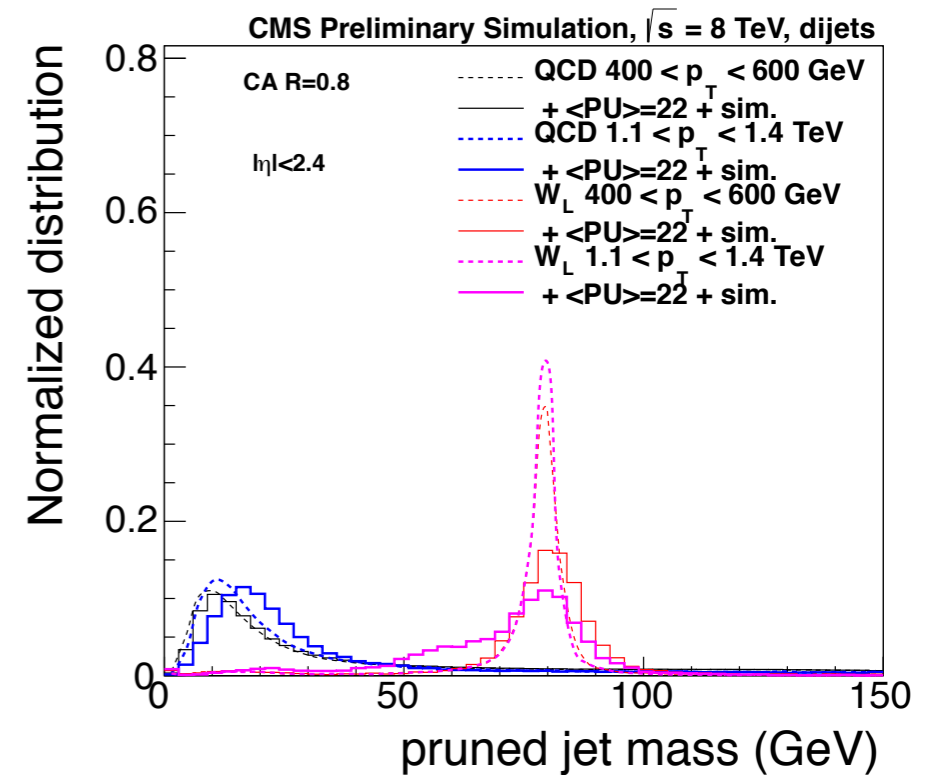
what happens at higher  $p_T$ ? methods begin to break down at  $W$   $p_T \sim 1.5$  TeV

what happens at higher  $p_T$ s? which variables are most robust to pileup?

how much would improved  $N^{(\times)}$ LO MC and parton shower (tunes) reduced our systematic uncertainties?

for  $W$ 's, how can we reduce systematics when extrapolating to where we have no standard candle? are there other calibrations samples?

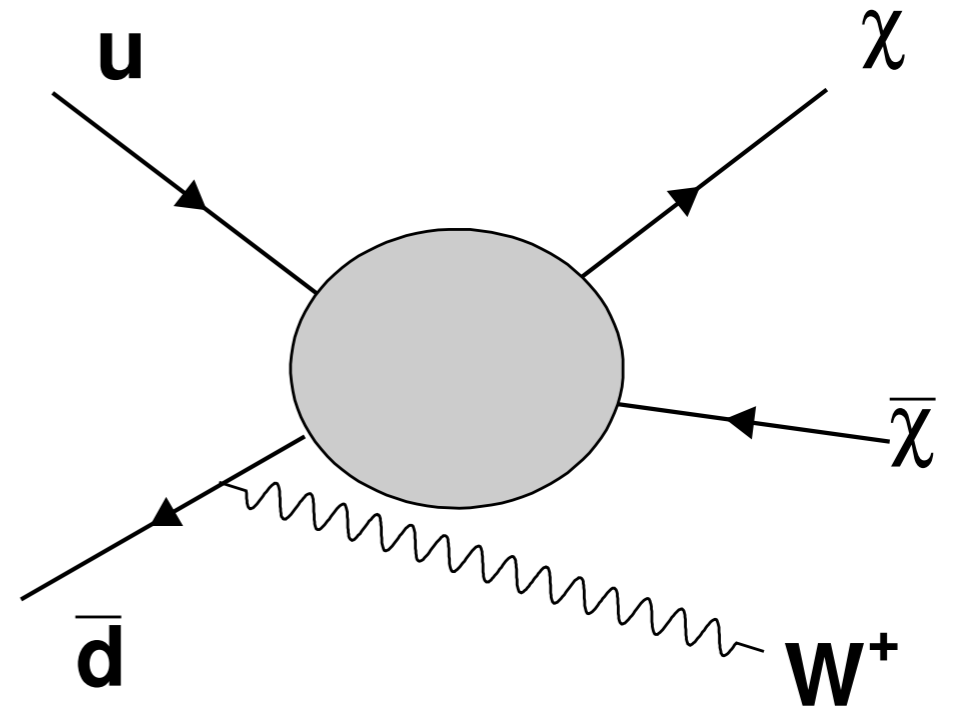
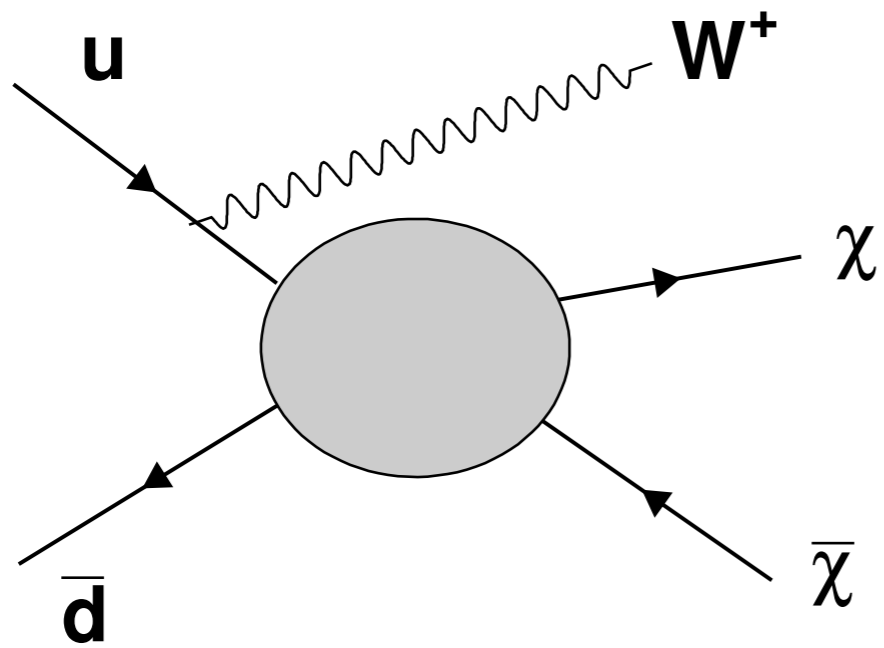
other kinematic variables? exploiting angular information?



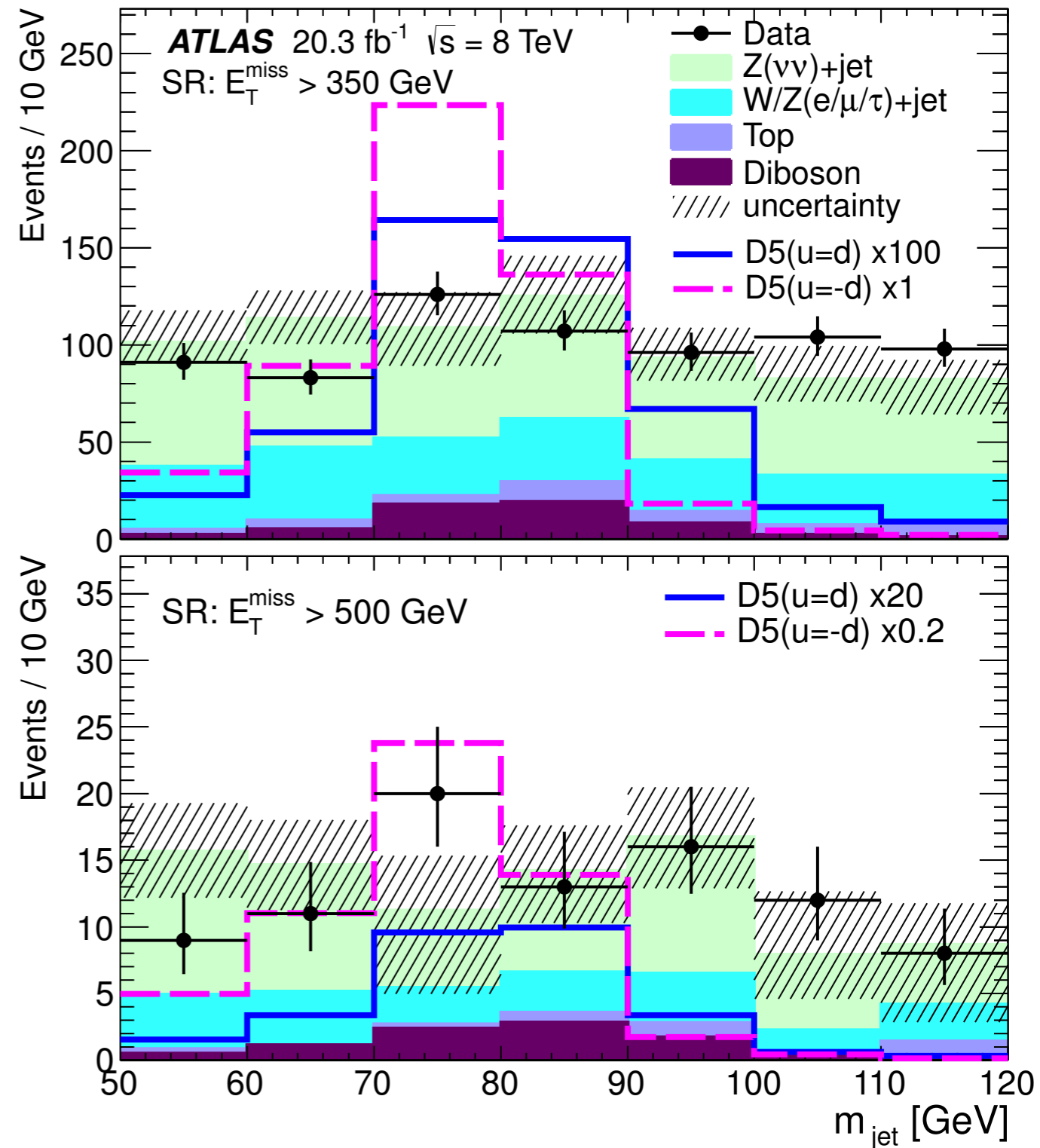
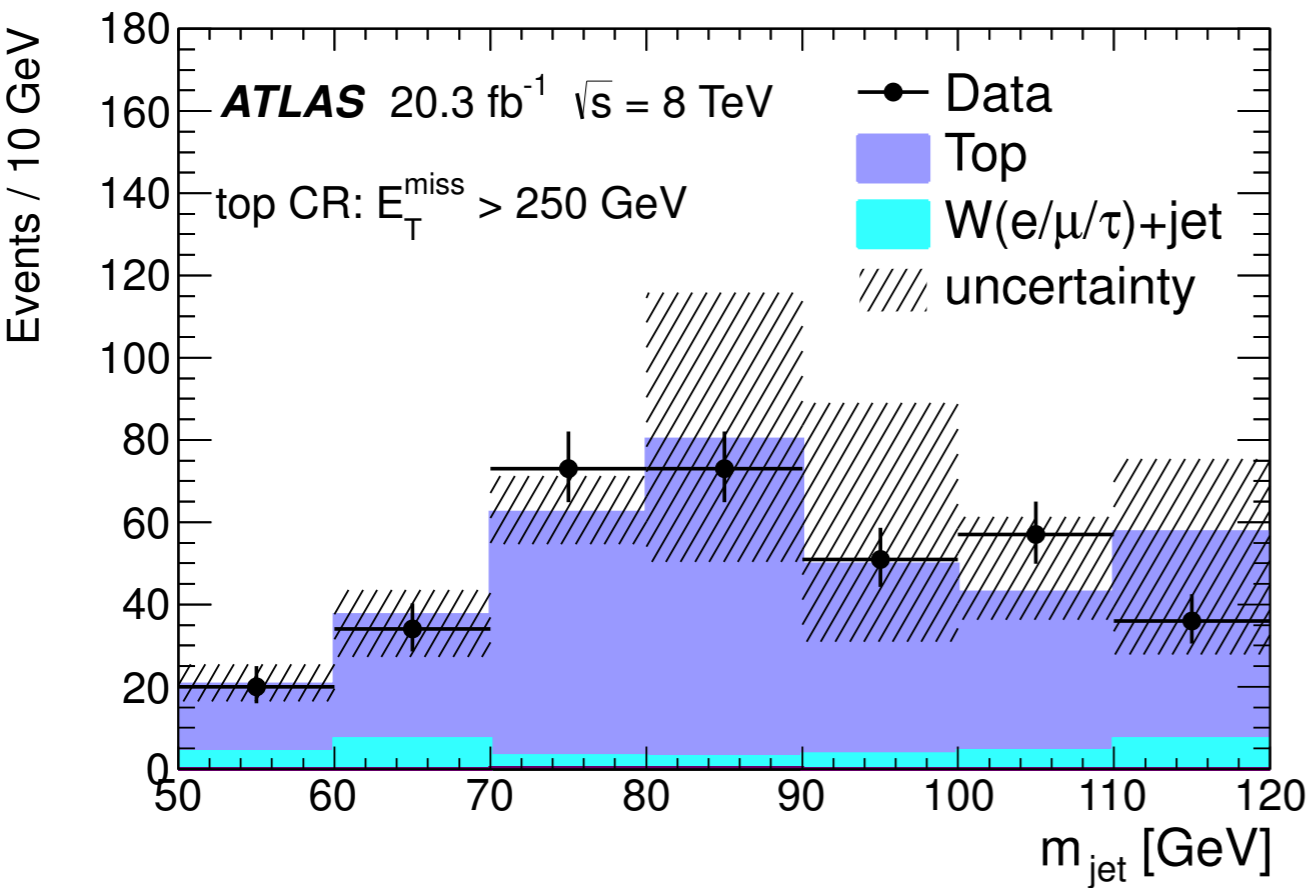
# additional case study, mono-W

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# A variation of the above analysis

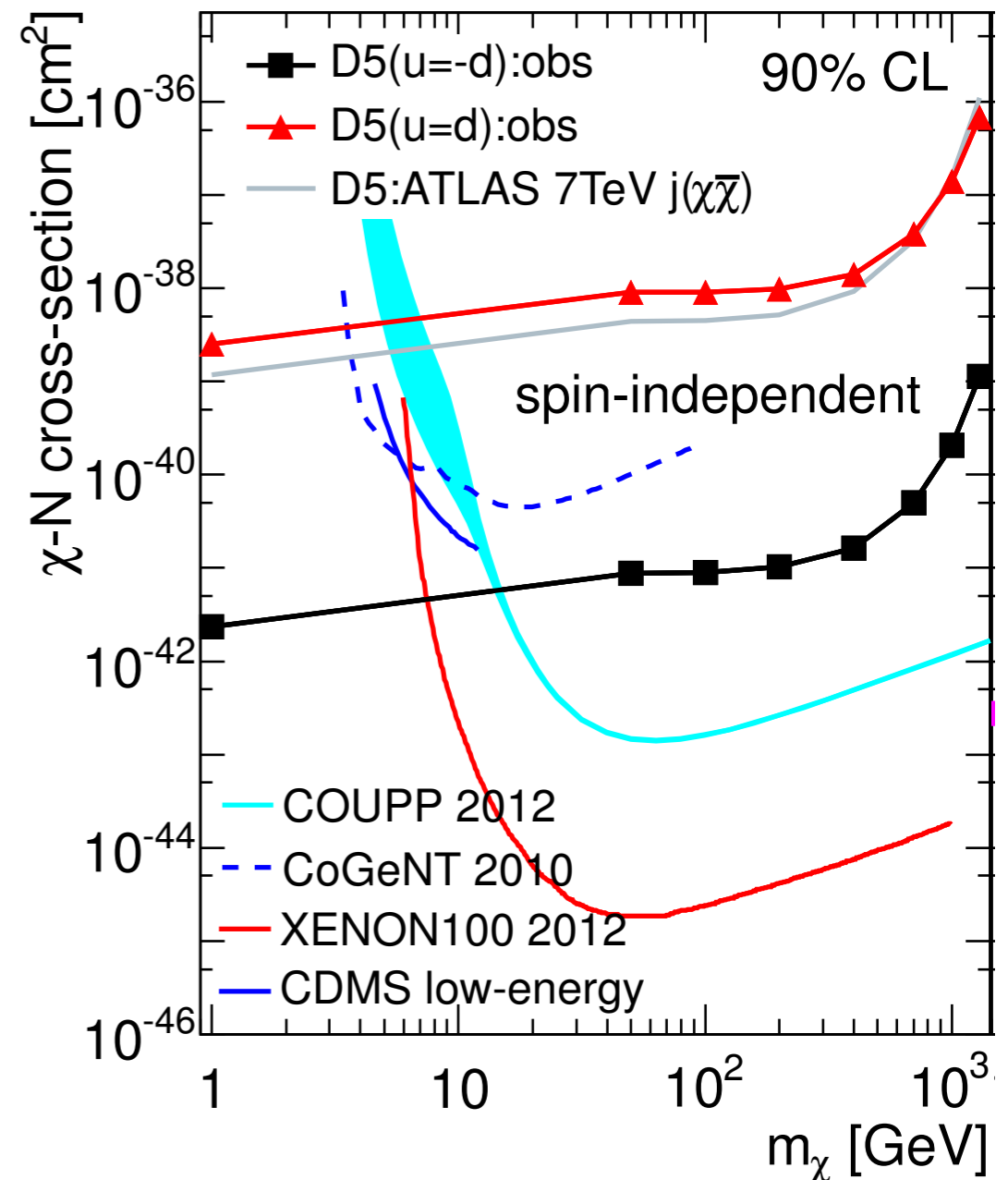
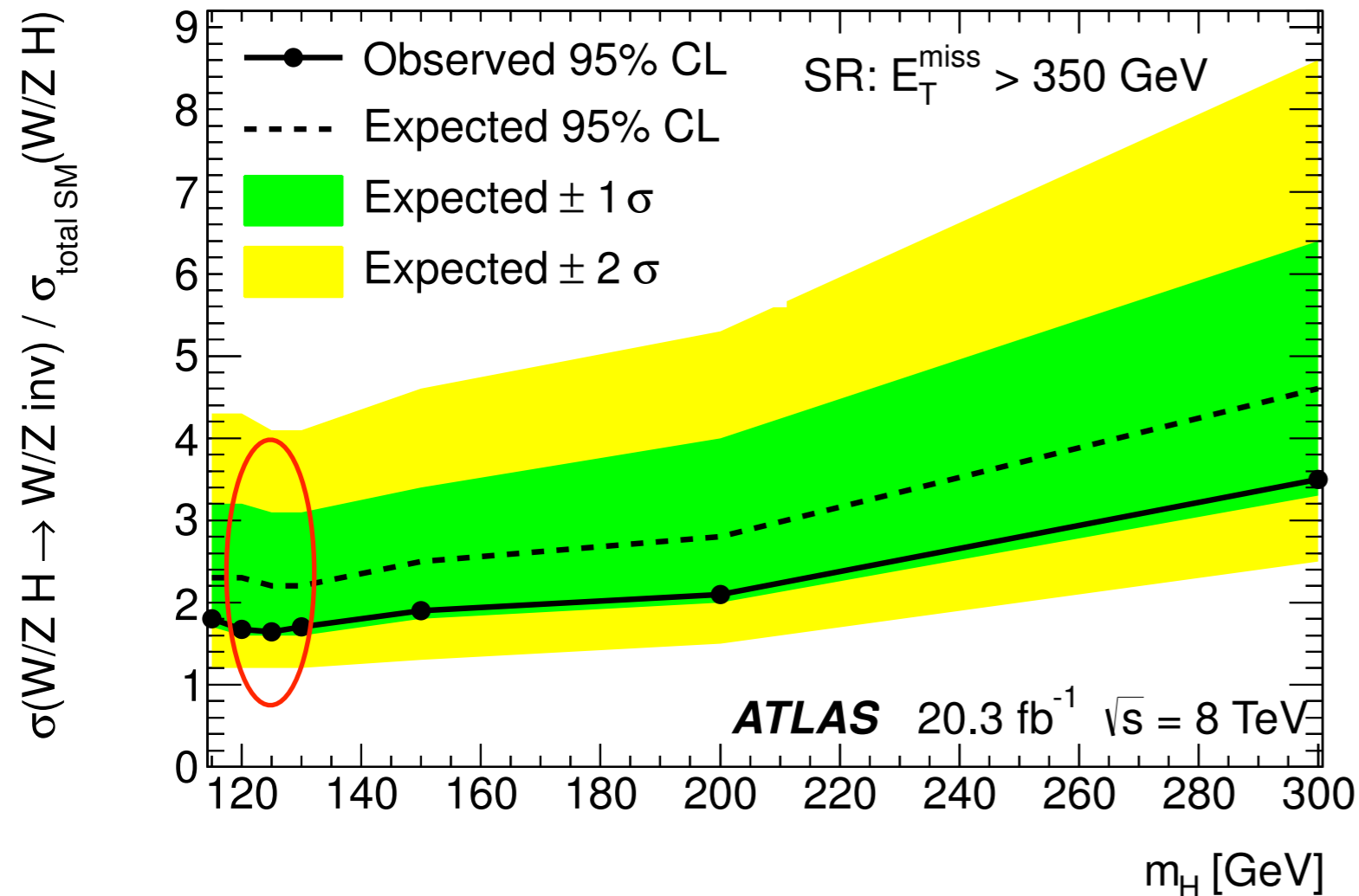


# Again, $m_J$ in the top CR and signal region



# Probing Higgs invisible decay & dark matter

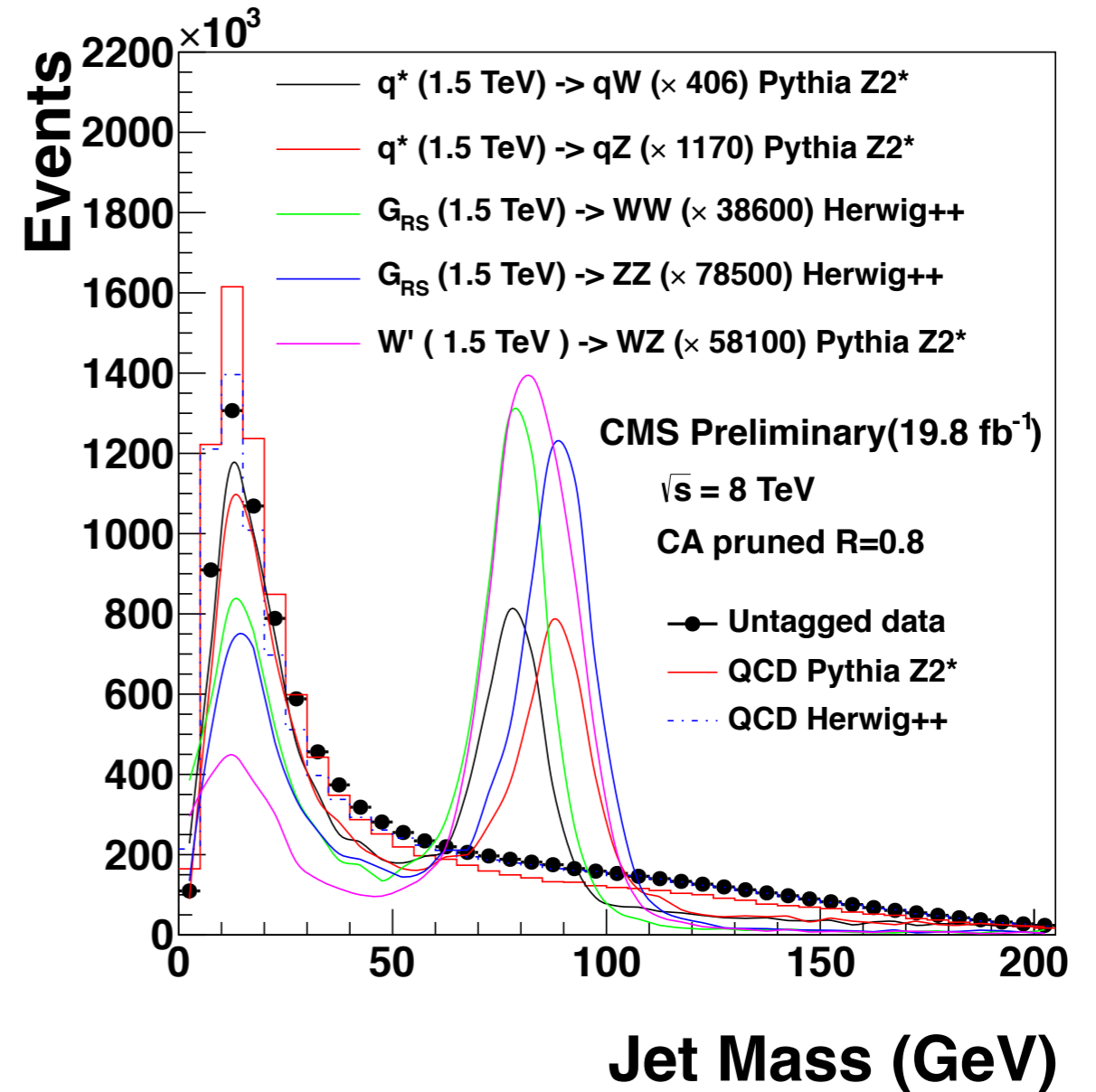
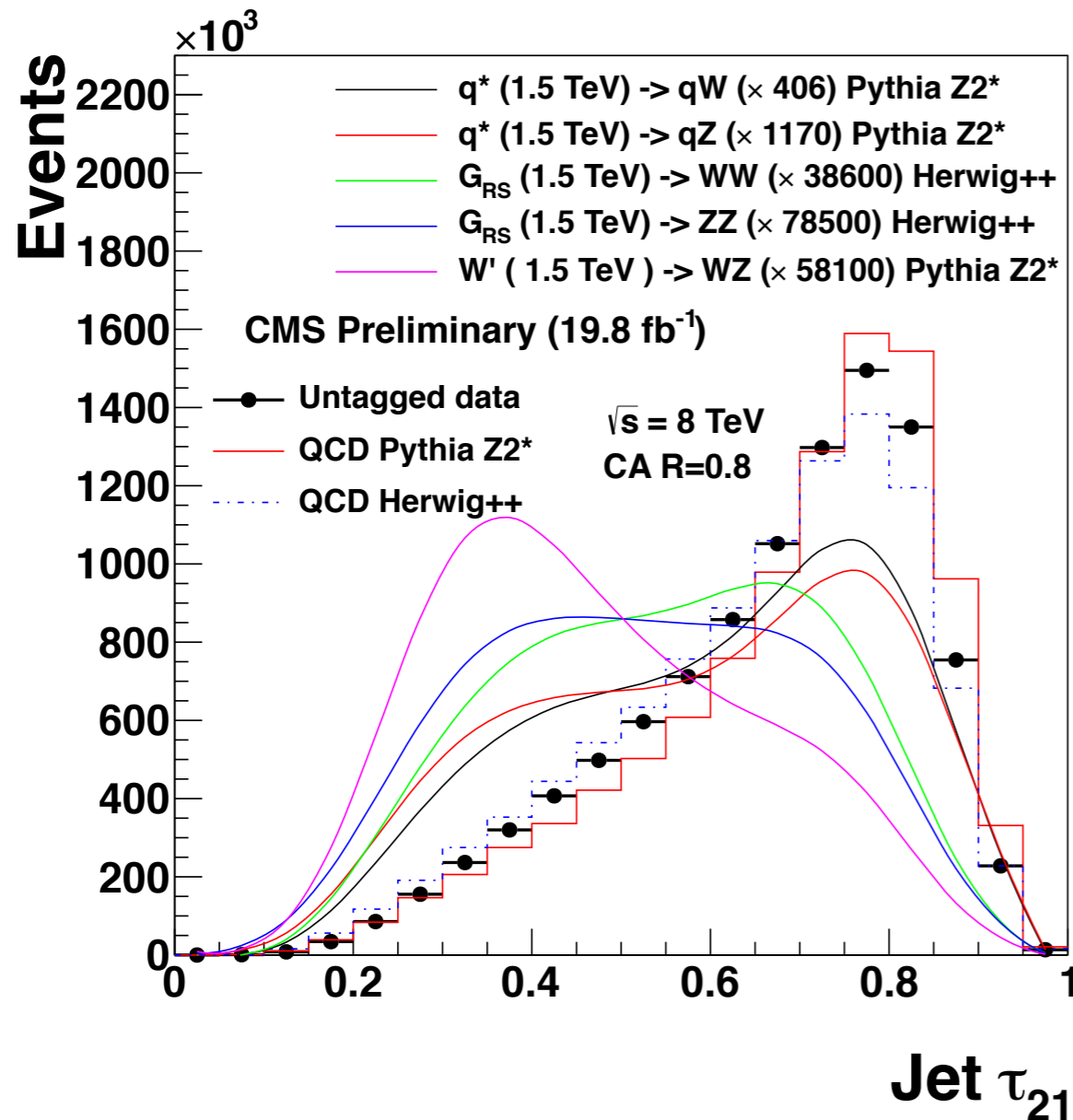
arXiv:1309.4017



Started probing the Higgs invisible decay “directly” in the associated production mode.

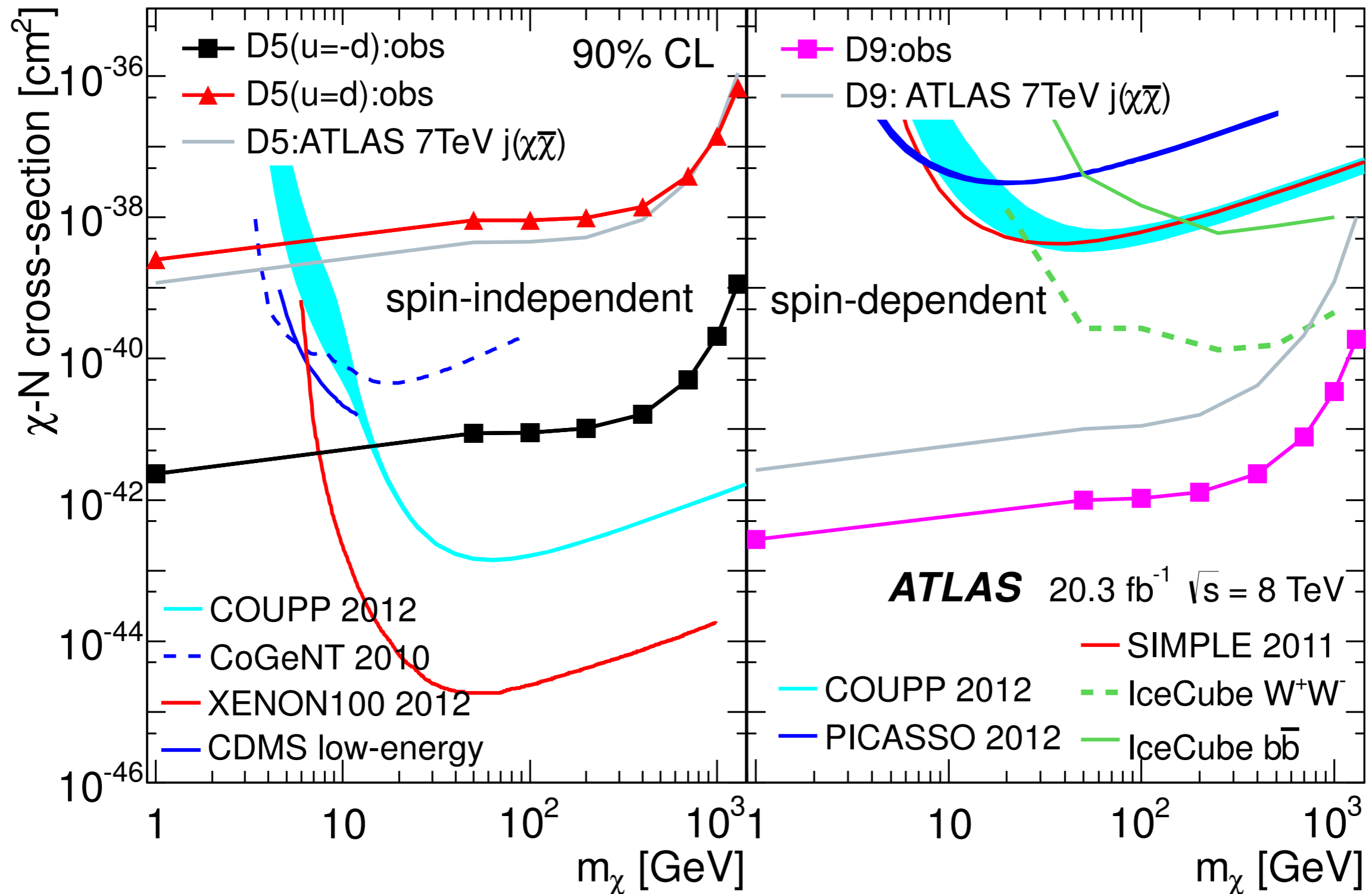
The best limit on WIMP DM mass 1–5 GeV. Comparable to mono-jet limits.

Events with 2 boosted jets. Hope to reco WW, WZ, ZZ.

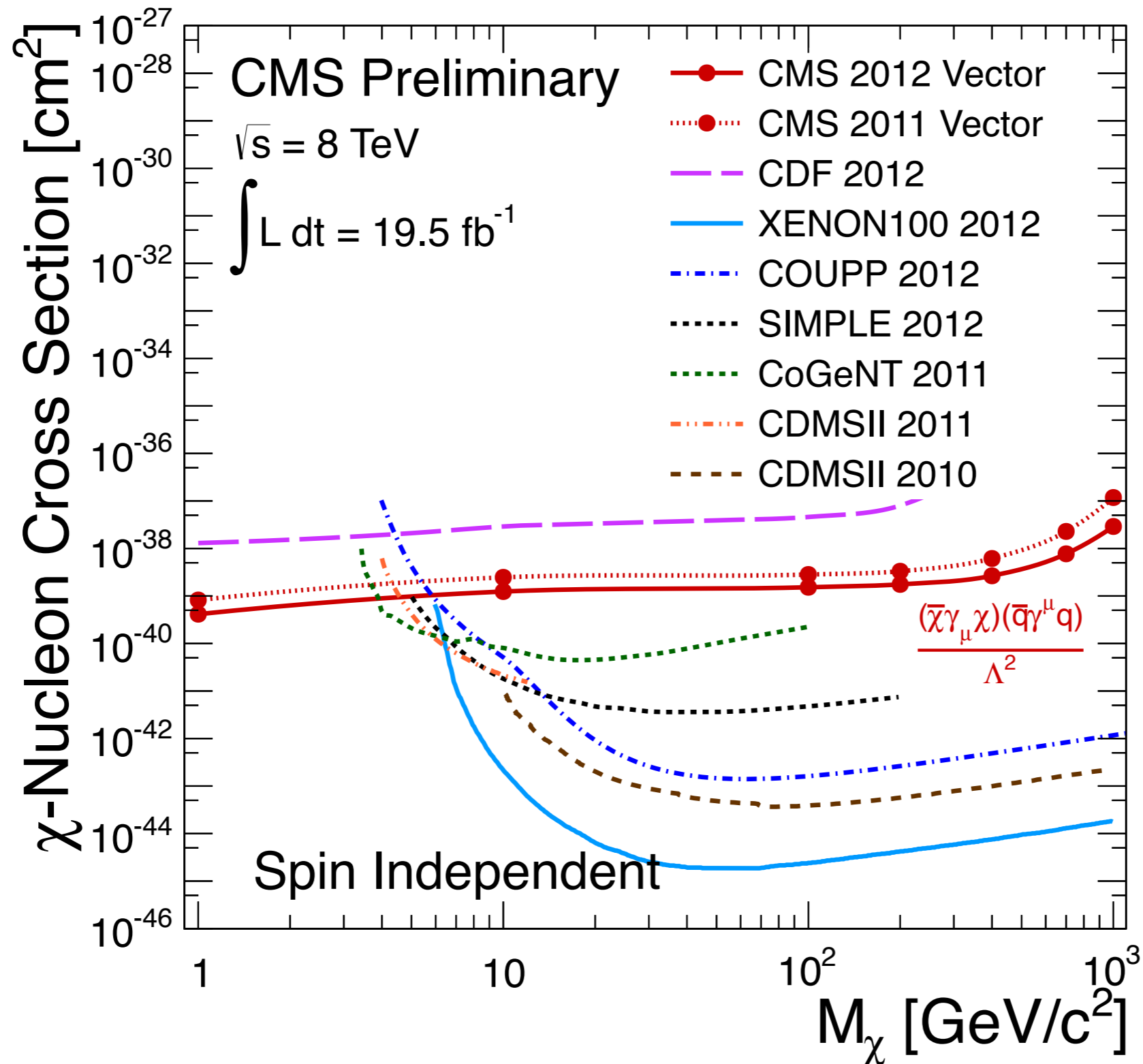


Swamped by QCD. Apply some W/Z tagging requirements on one/ both jets, then set limits on BSM using dijet invariant mass.

# Best limits on low mass WIMP DM particle

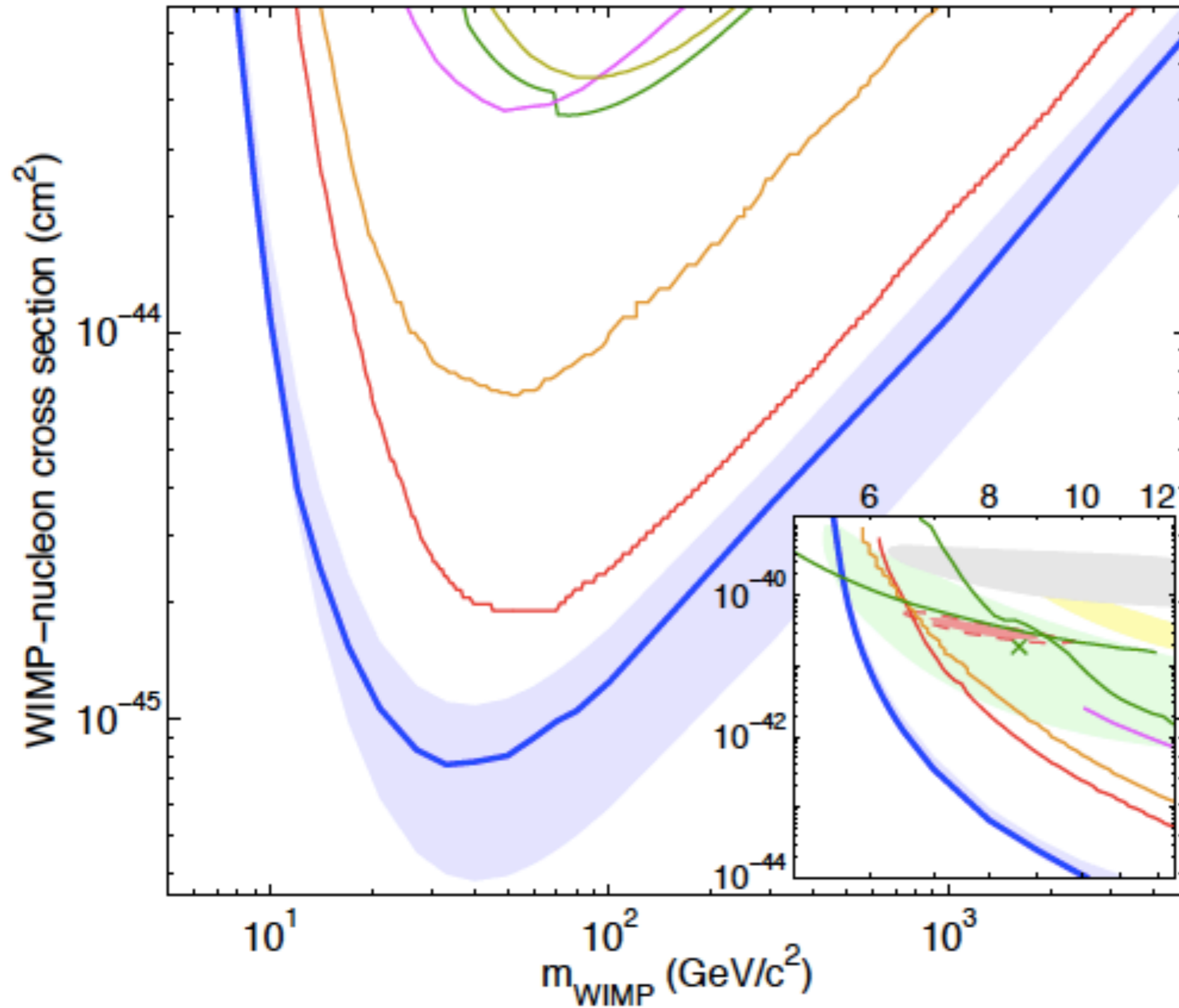


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# Latest result from LUX



additional

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## Both leptonic and hadronic W $p_T > 200$ GeV

Exactly one lepton with  $p_T > 30/35$  GeV for  $\mu/e$

Missing  $E_T > 50/70$  GeV

At least one CA8 jet with  $p_T > 200$  GeV

Veto presence of any b-tagged AK5 jets in the event

## Additional cleaning cuts

- $\Delta R_{l,j} > \pi/2$ ; distance between the lepton and the jet
- $\Delta\Phi_{\cancel{E}_T,j} > 2.0$ ; azimuthal separation between jet & MET
- $\Delta\Phi_{V,j} > 2.0$ ; azimuthal separation between the two Ws

## *background simulation*

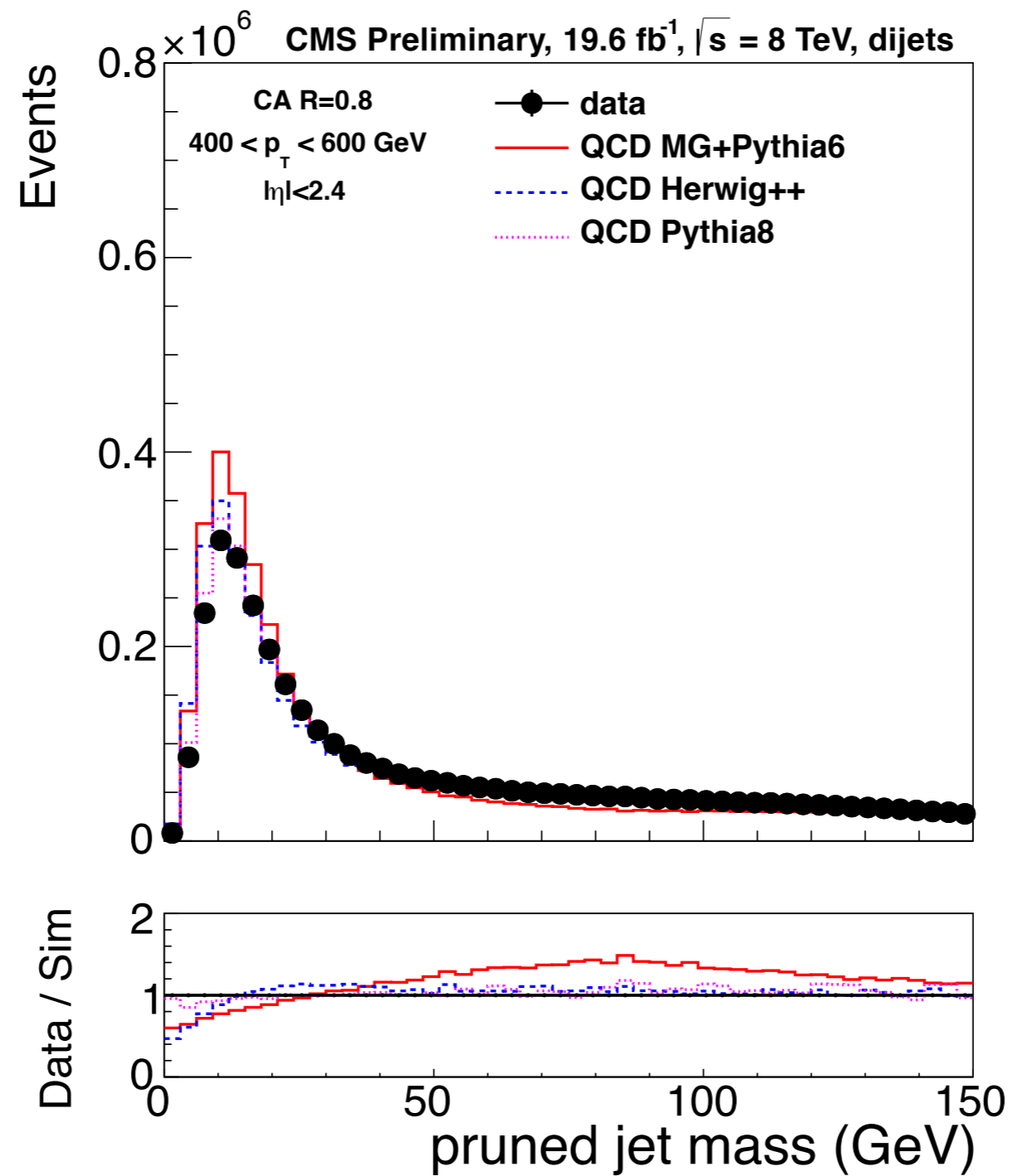
W+jets: MadGraph + Pythia6, Herwig++

ttbar: Powheg+Pythia6, MadGraph+Pythia6, MC@NLO+Herwig++

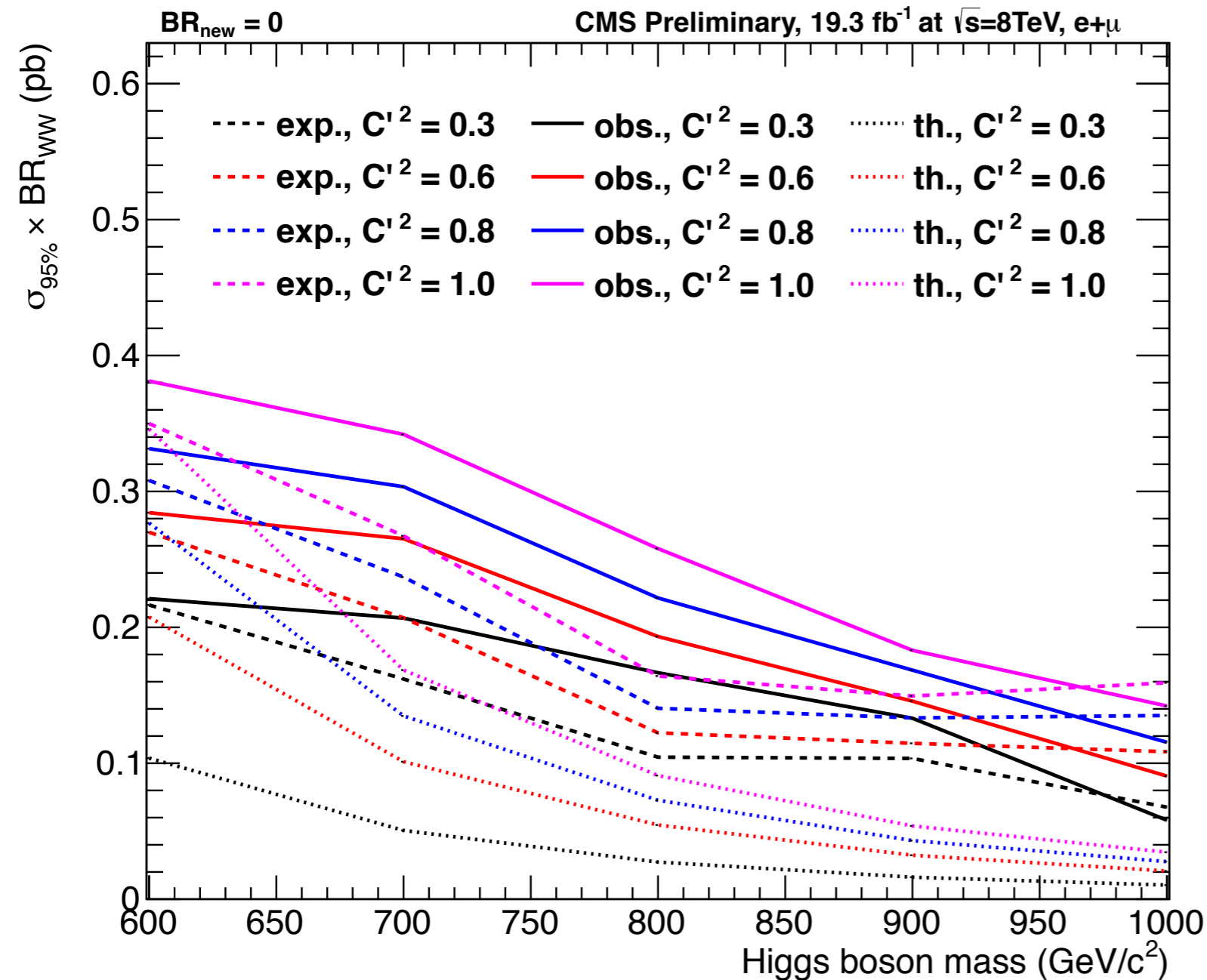
single top: Powheg+Pythia6

WW/WZ/ZZ: Pythia6

# jet mass, dijets



# A more generic BSM interpretation



In the BSM interpretation, search for an electroweak singlet scalar, where a **heavy Higgs boson mixes with H(126)**

$$C^2 + C'^2 = 1$$

The heavy Higgs cross cross-section and width are modified as

$$\mu' = C'^2(1 - \text{BR}_{\text{new}})$$

$$\Gamma' = \Gamma_{\text{SM}} \times \frac{C'^2}{(1 - \text{BR}_{\text{new}})}$$

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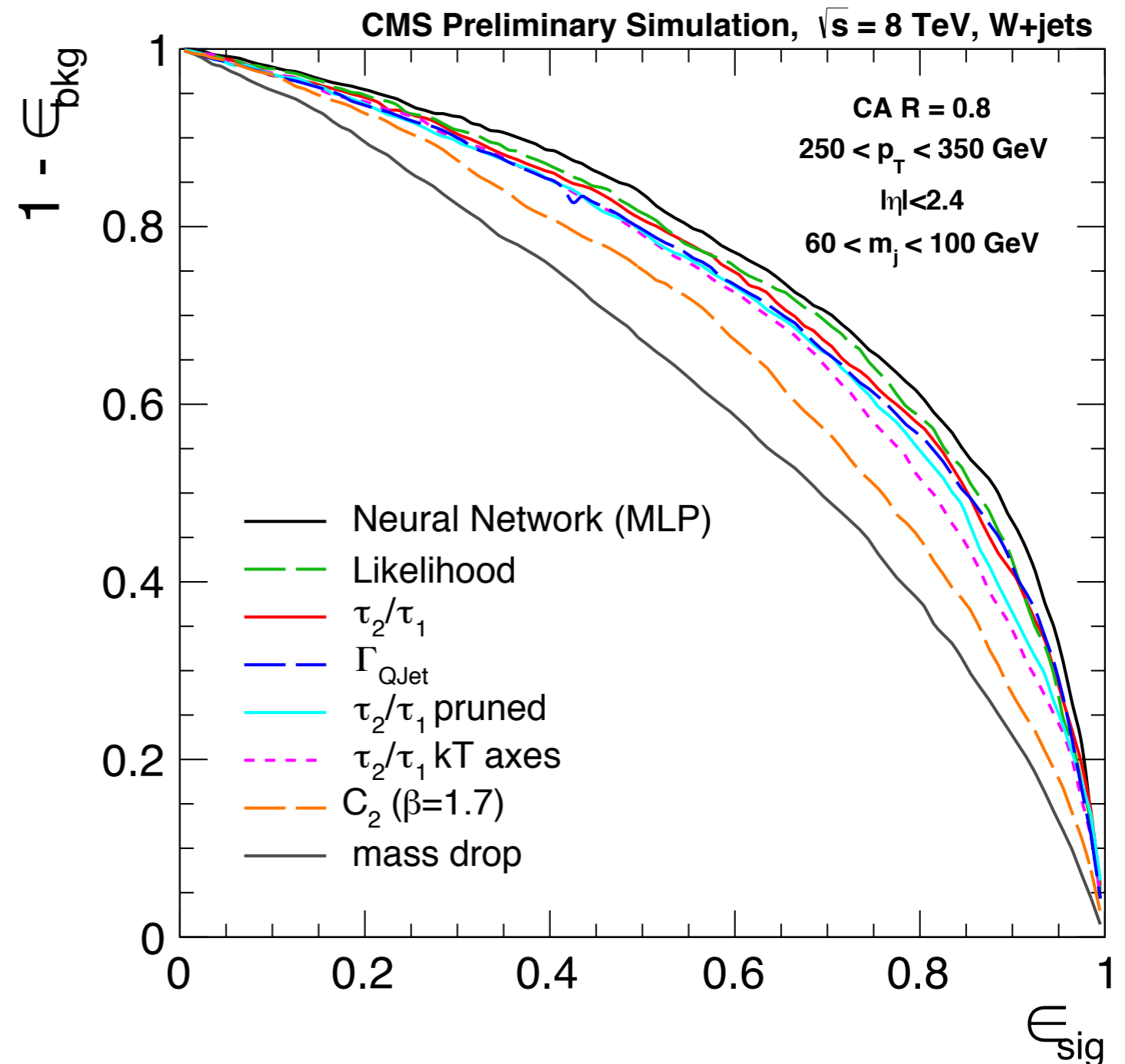
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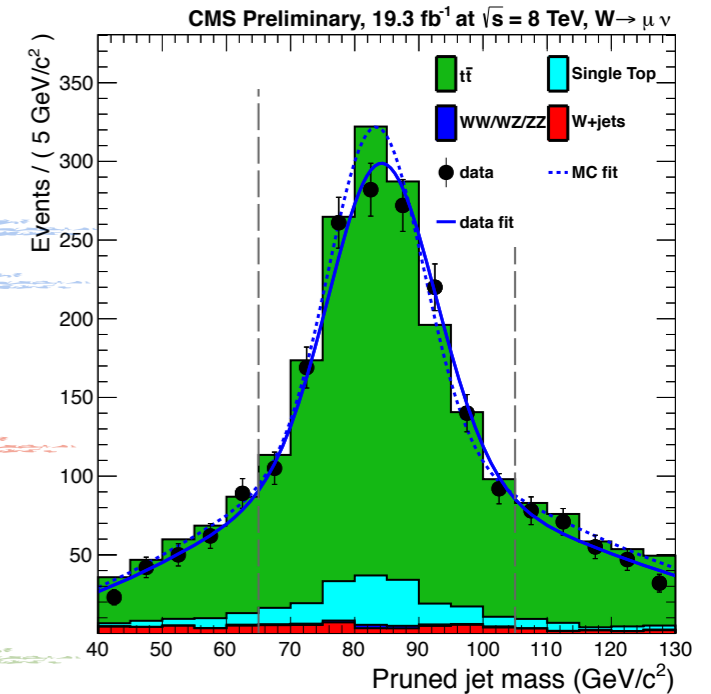
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# more on systematics

Syst. uncertainty	sig, $ggH$	sig, $VBF$	W+jets	$t\bar{t}$	single $t$	WW/WZ
lumi	4.4%	4.4%	-	4.4%	4.4%	4.4%
Higgs QCD scale	6.5% †	1.3% †	-	-	-	-
Higgs PDF+ $\alpha_s$	12.1% †	5.9% †	-	-	-	-
Intf (sig/bkg)	10.0%	50.0%	-	-	-	-
Bkg cross-section	-	-	-	-	30.0%	30.0%
W+jets norm.	-	-	8%	-	-	-
W-tagging	10.0%	10.0%	-	-	-	10.0%
$t\bar{t}$ norm.	-	-	-	6.0%	6.0%	-
Jet mass/energy scale	2%	2%	-	2%	2%	2%
W+jets shape	-	-	see Sec. 6	-	-	-
b-tagging	2.5%	2.5%	-	-	2.5%	2.5%
Trigger (e & $\mu$ )	1%	1%	-	-	1%	1%
Selection Eff. (e & $\mu$ )	2%	2%	-	-	2%	2%



data:

$$\langle m \rangle = 84.5 \pm 0.4 \text{ GeV}$$

$$\sigma = 8.7 \pm 0.6 \text{ GeV}$$

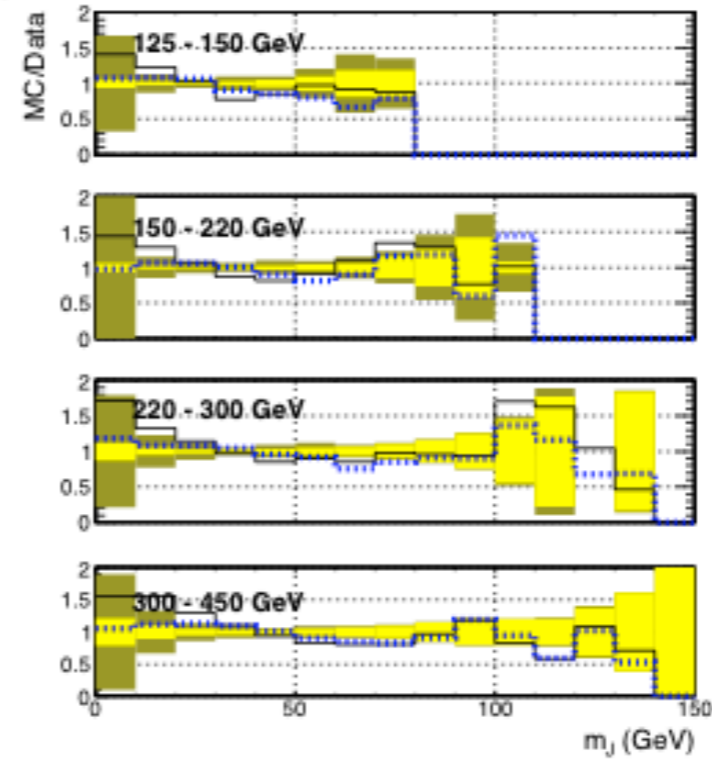
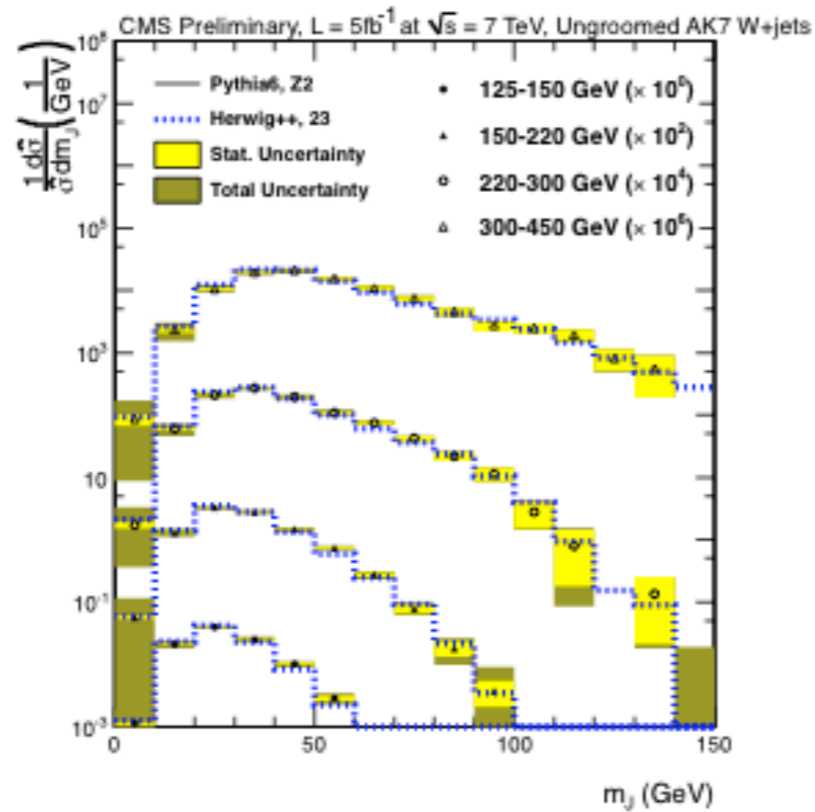
MC:

$$\langle m \rangle = 83.4 \pm 0.4 \text{ GeV}$$

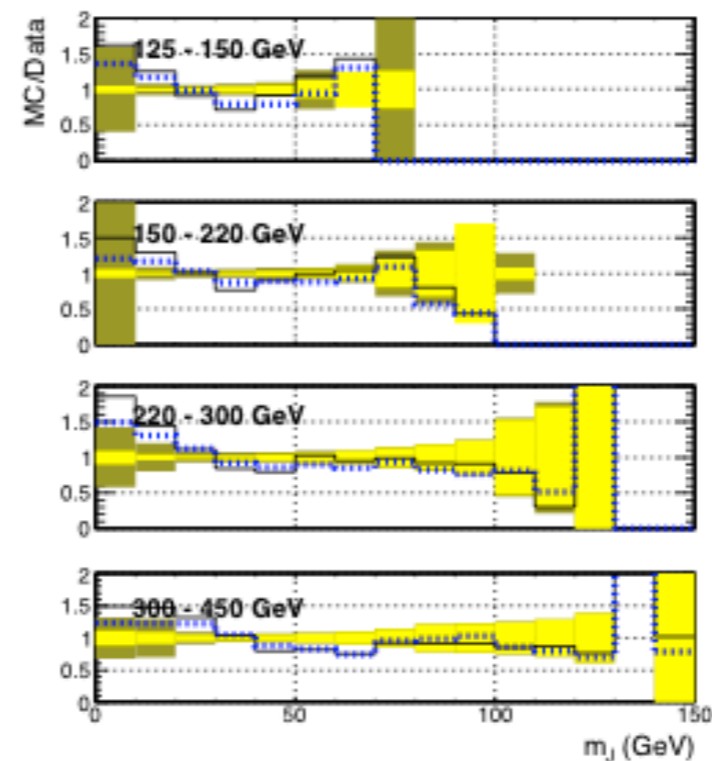
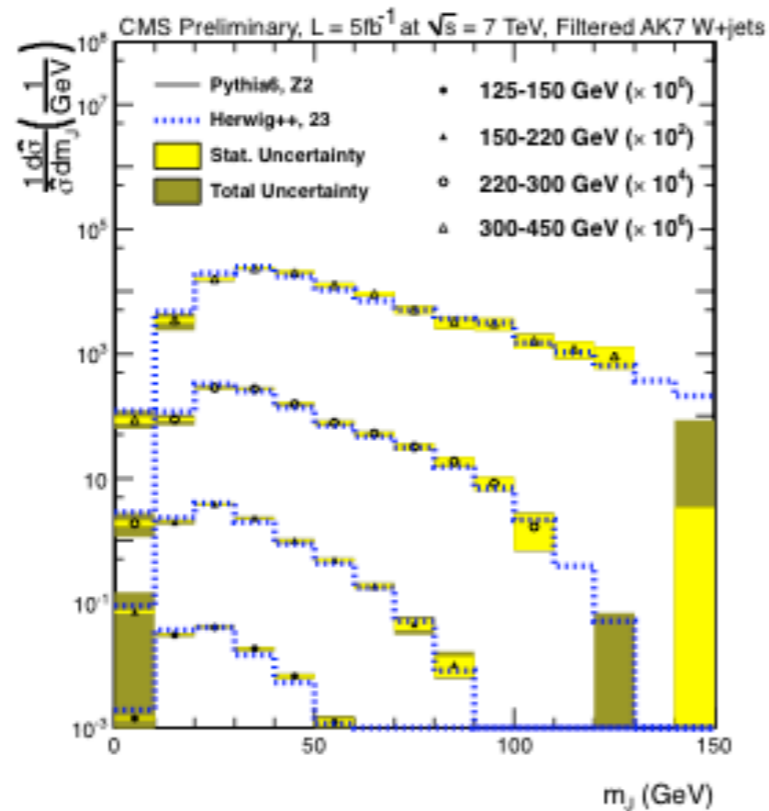
$$\sigma = 7.4 \pm 0.4 \text{ GeV}$$

- W+jets shape is one of the larger systematics effects
- W-tagging scale factor estimated in the top-enriched control region to be  $0.95 \pm 0.10$  ( $0.89 \pm 0.10$ ) for the  $\mu$  (e) channel
- Signal uncertainties are dominated by theoretical uncertainties
  - PDF and  $\alpha_s$  and interference effects – standard within the LHCXSWG

# Unfolded distributions, W+jet (AK7)



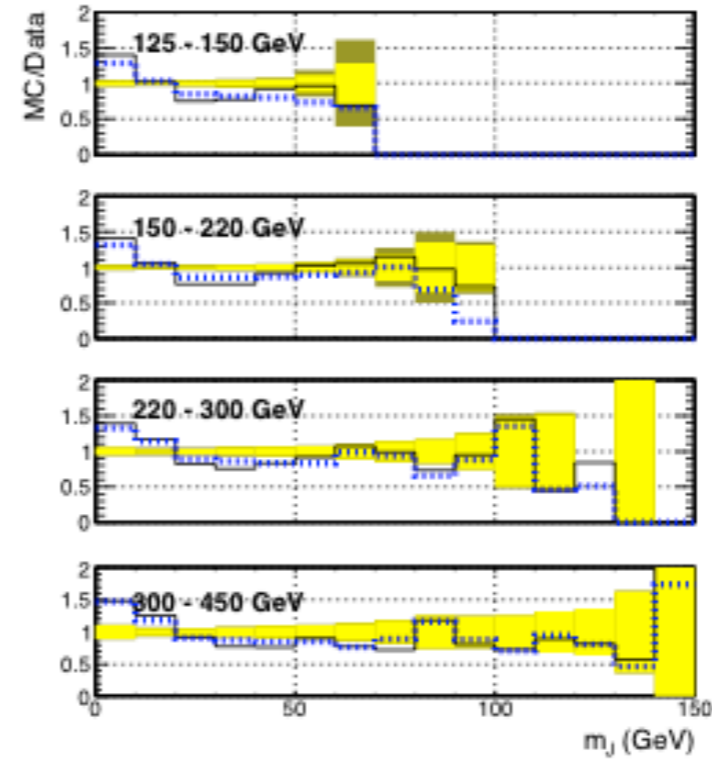
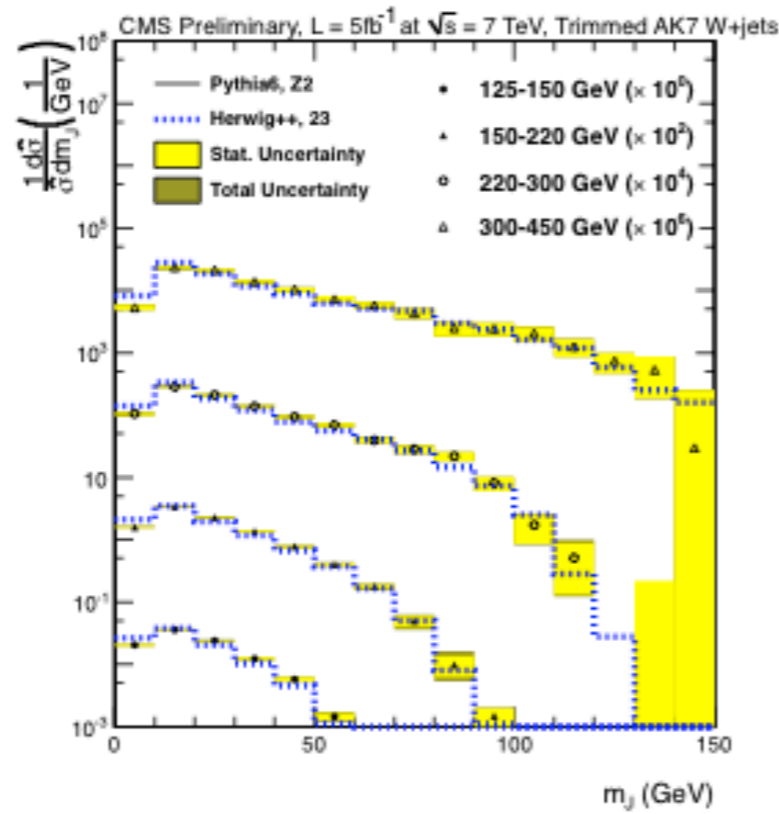
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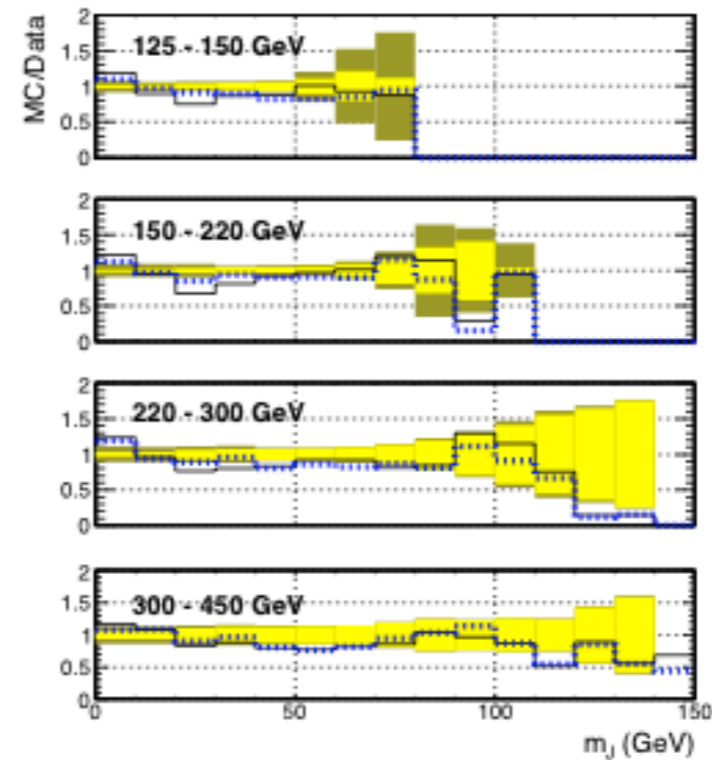
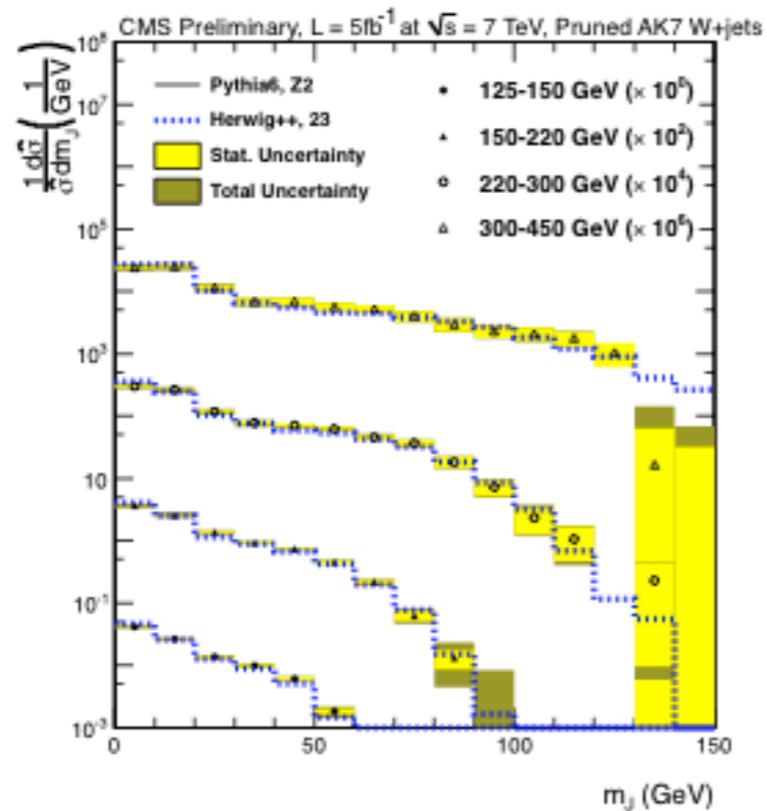
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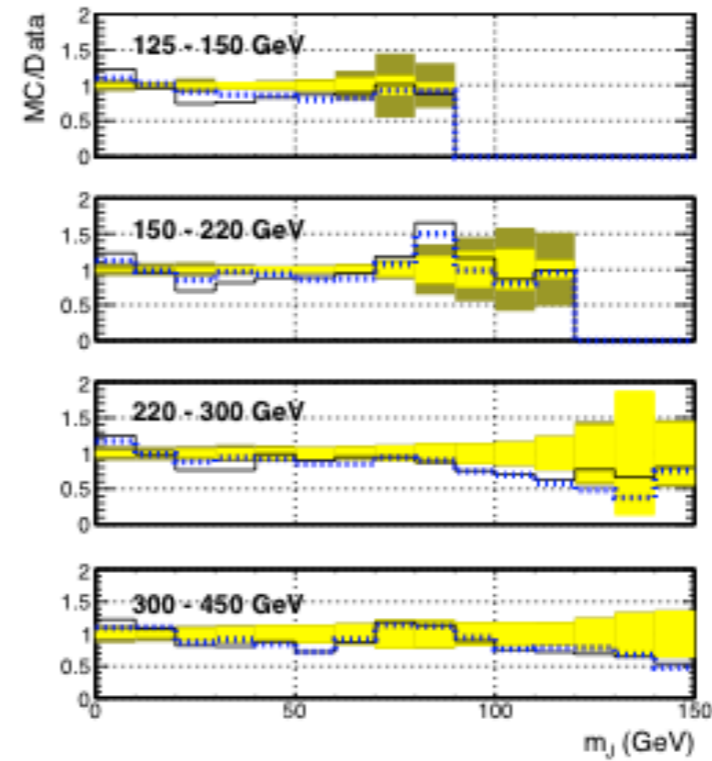
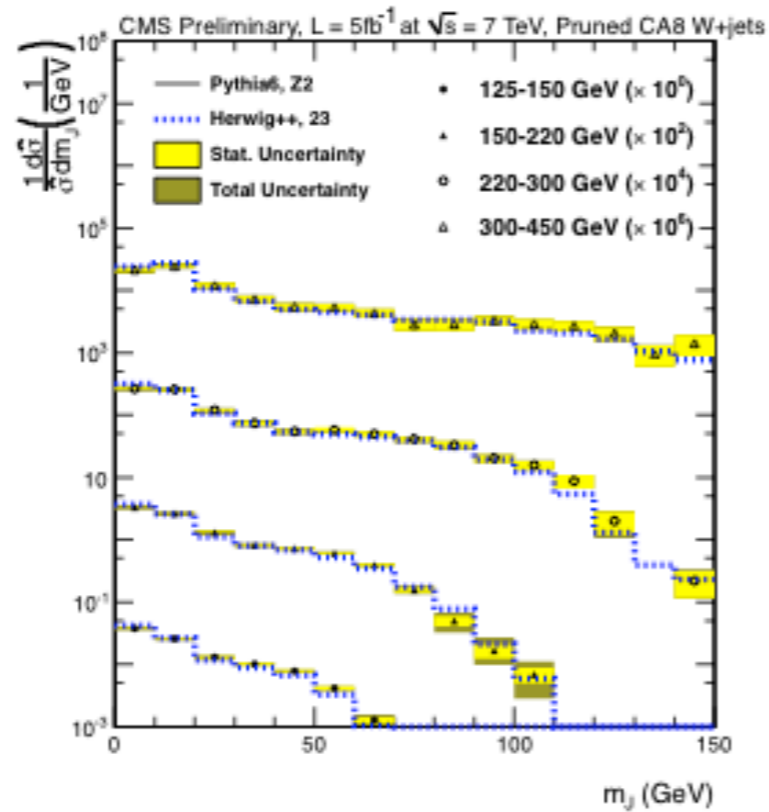


AK7, TRIMMED

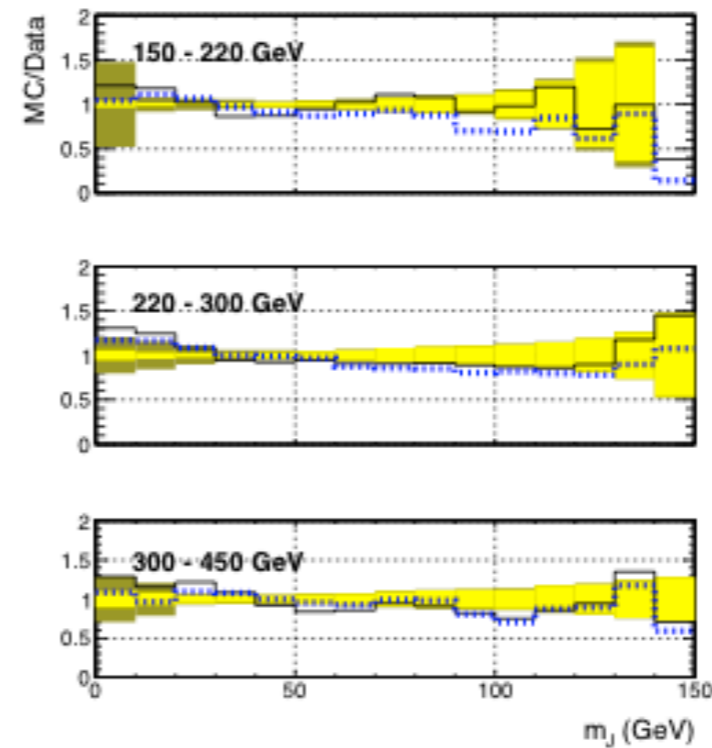
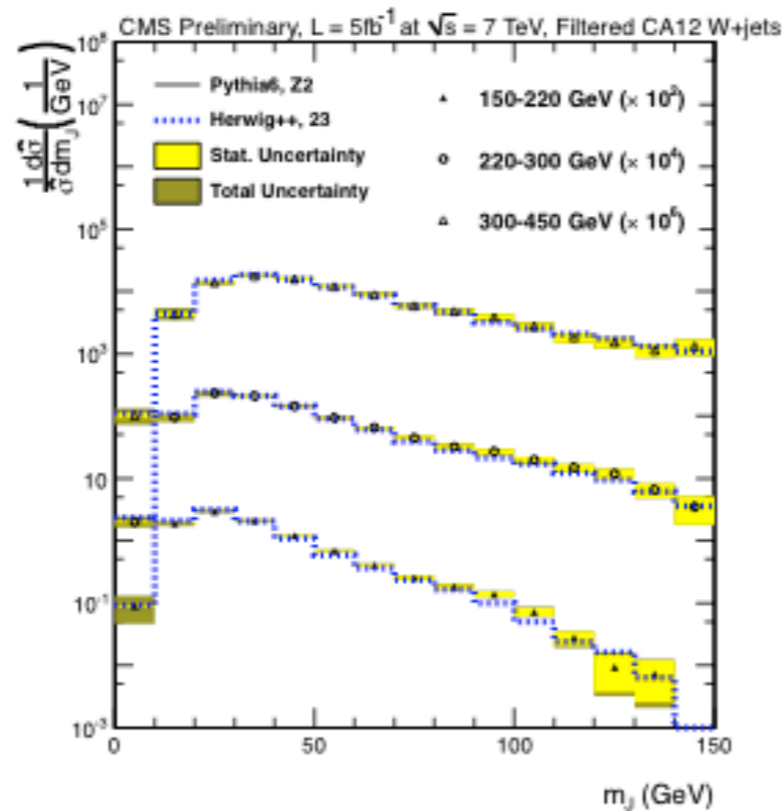


AK7, PRUNED

# Unfolded distributions, W+jet: comparison



CA8, PRUNED



CA12, FILTERED