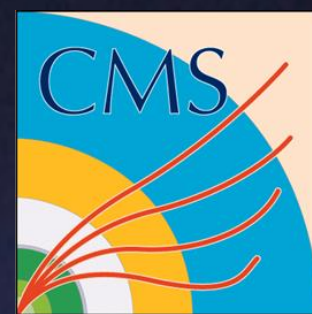




# Top-quark production at LHC



Javier Fernández



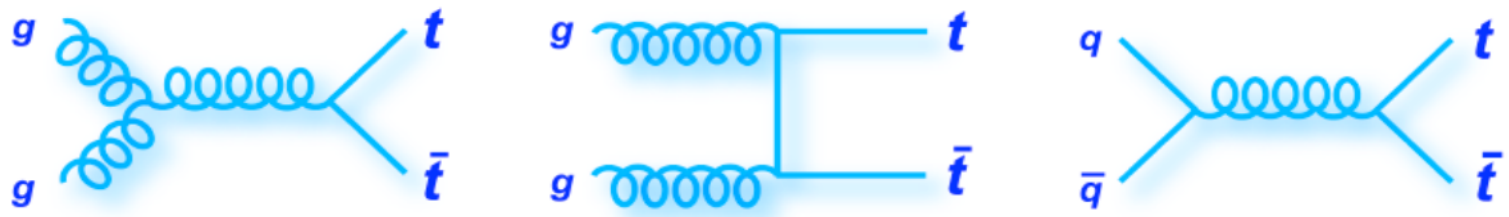
For the ATLAS and CMS Collaborations

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# Top quark(s) production

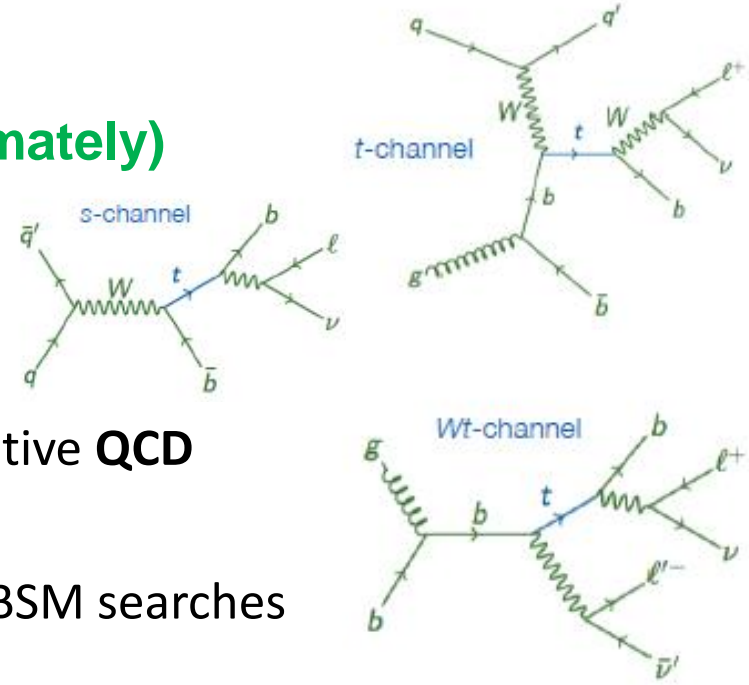
- **Top pair** production at the LHC through  $gg$  (>84%) and  $qq$



- **Single-top** production (at LO)
  - **t-, s-channel** and  **$Wt$**  production,

- **LHC Run 1: per experiment (approximately)**

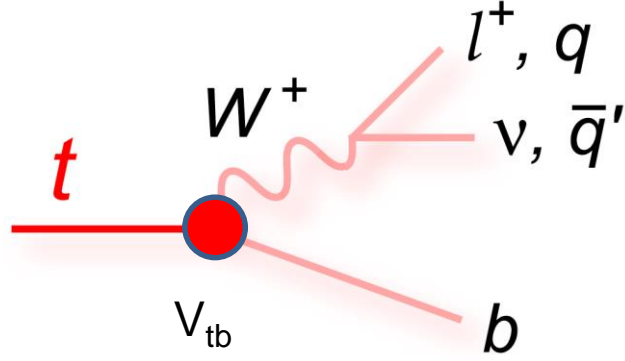
- 6M top-quark pair events (1/second)
- 2M t-channel single-top events
- 150k s-channel single-top events
- 3k  $tt$ +Higgs
- 20  $tttt$



- Sensitive to **new physics** & **test** of perturbative **QCD**
- Can constrain **modeling** (PDF, ISR/FSR)
- Important **background** to many Higgs and BSM searches

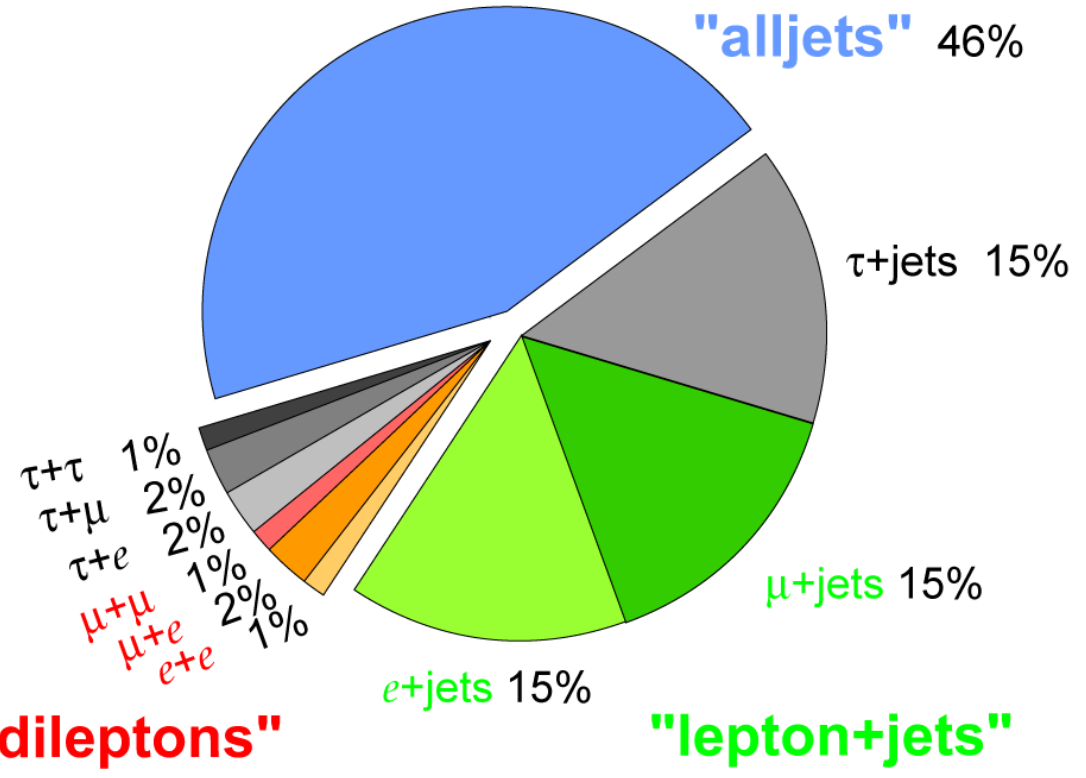


# Top quark decay



$t \rightarrow Wb, W \rightarrow \text{jets or lepton} + \nu$

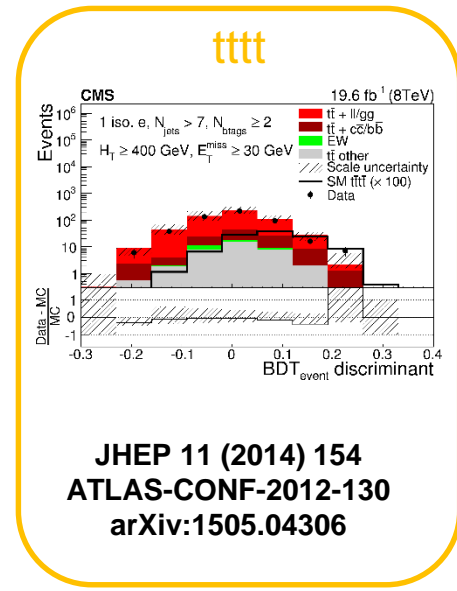
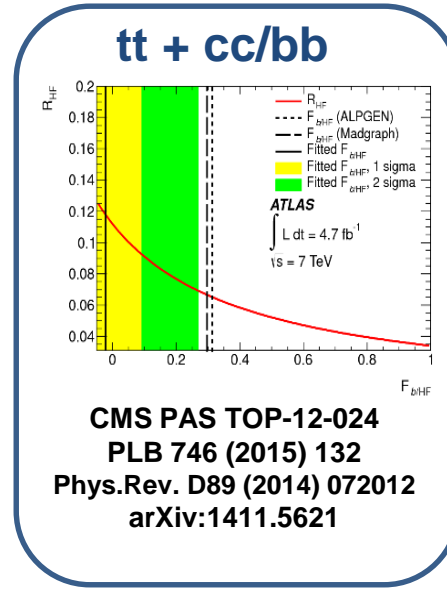
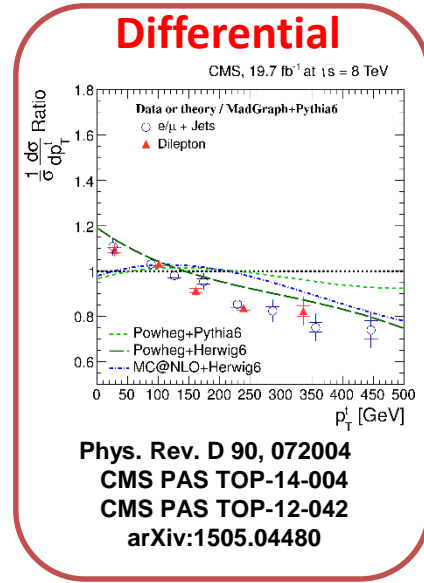
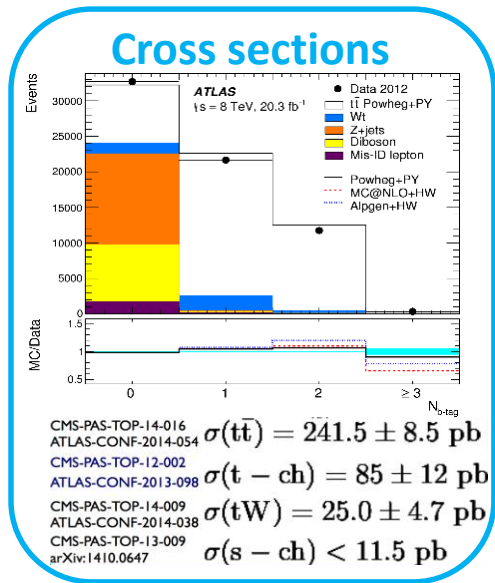
## Top Pair Branching Fractions



- Decays  $\sim 100\%$  to  $W$ -boson and  $b$ -quark  $\rightarrow |V_{tb}| \sim \text{unity}$
- Final state topology depends on **W decay**

# Learning about top quark

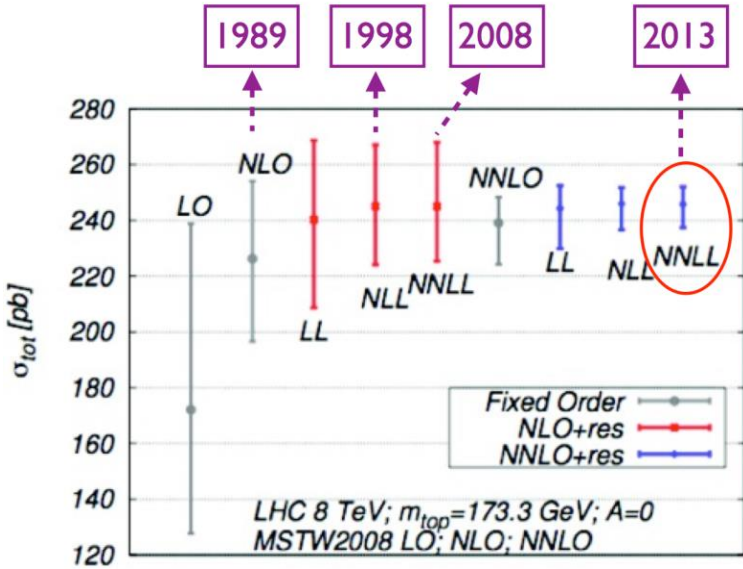
- **ATLAS TOP Public Page:**
  - <https://twiki.cern.ch/twiki/bin/view/AtlasPublic/TopPublicResults>
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- Every topic deserves a dedicated long presentation:



# Inclusive measurements

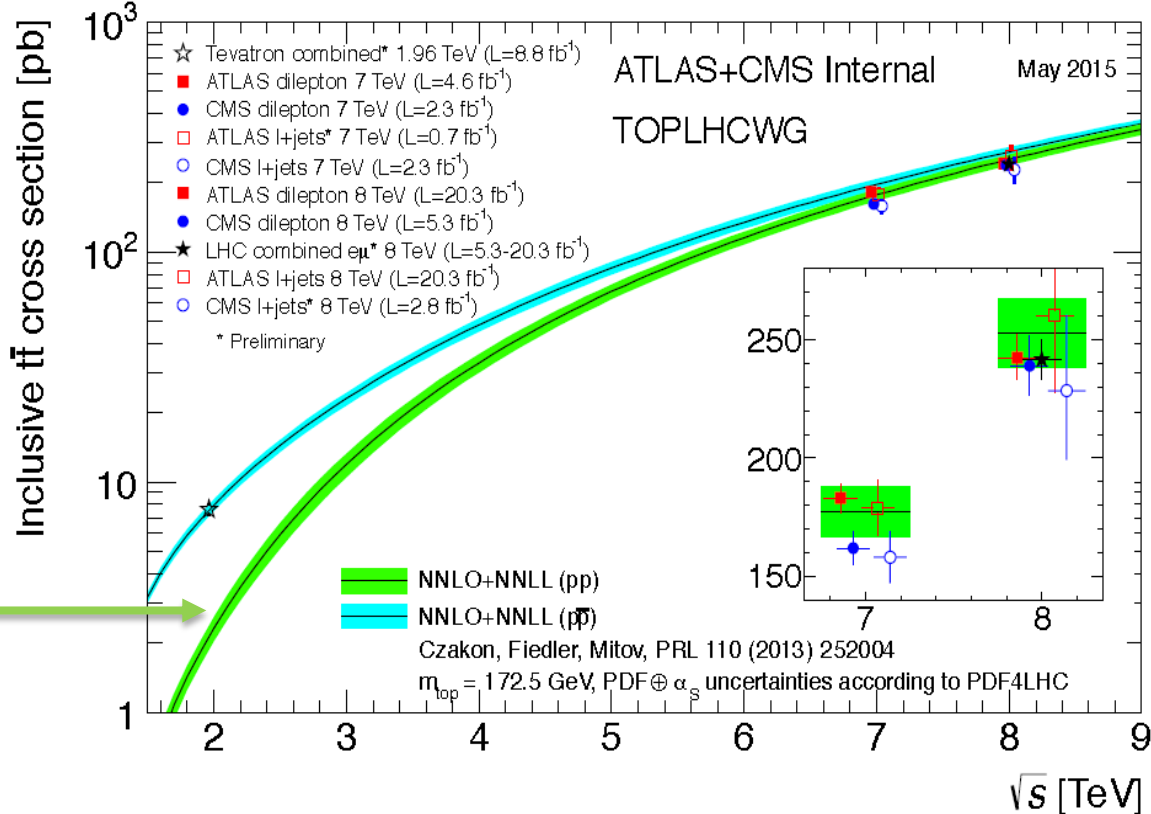
# Inclusive top-pair production: Summary

- Excellent progress both on the theory and experiment sides!



LHC WG :

<https://twiki.cern.ch/twiki/bin/view/LHCPhysics/TopLHCWG>



Theory band represents uncertainties due to renormalisation and factorisation scale, parton density functions and the strong coupling

# Top pair inclusive cross section

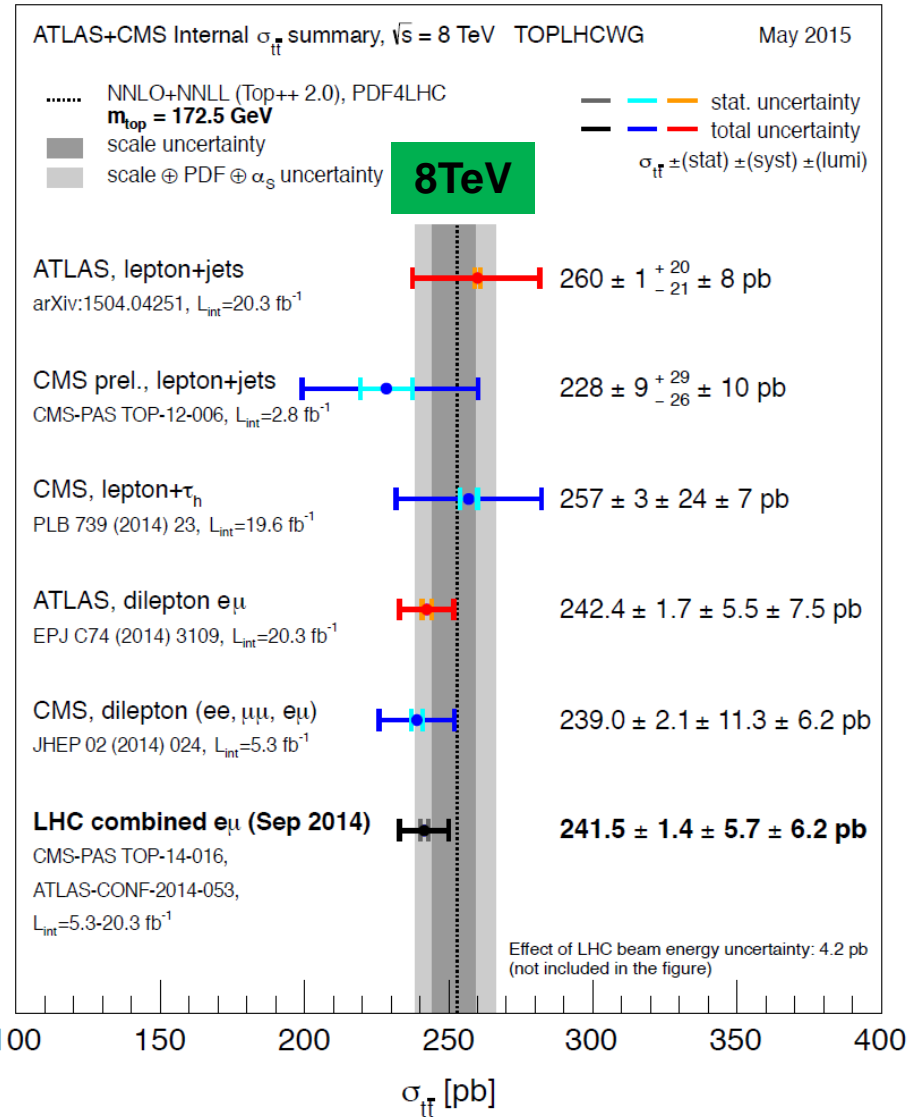
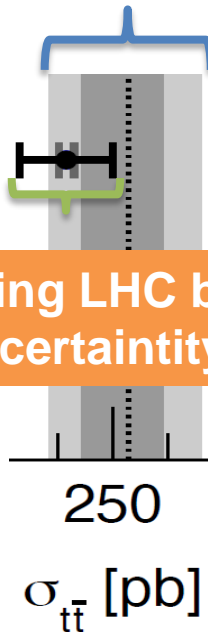
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- All measurements are systematics limited
- Best results from dilepton analyses
- All measurements agree with predictions
- Experimental uncertainties challenge theoretical ones!

Theoretical uncertainty 5.5%

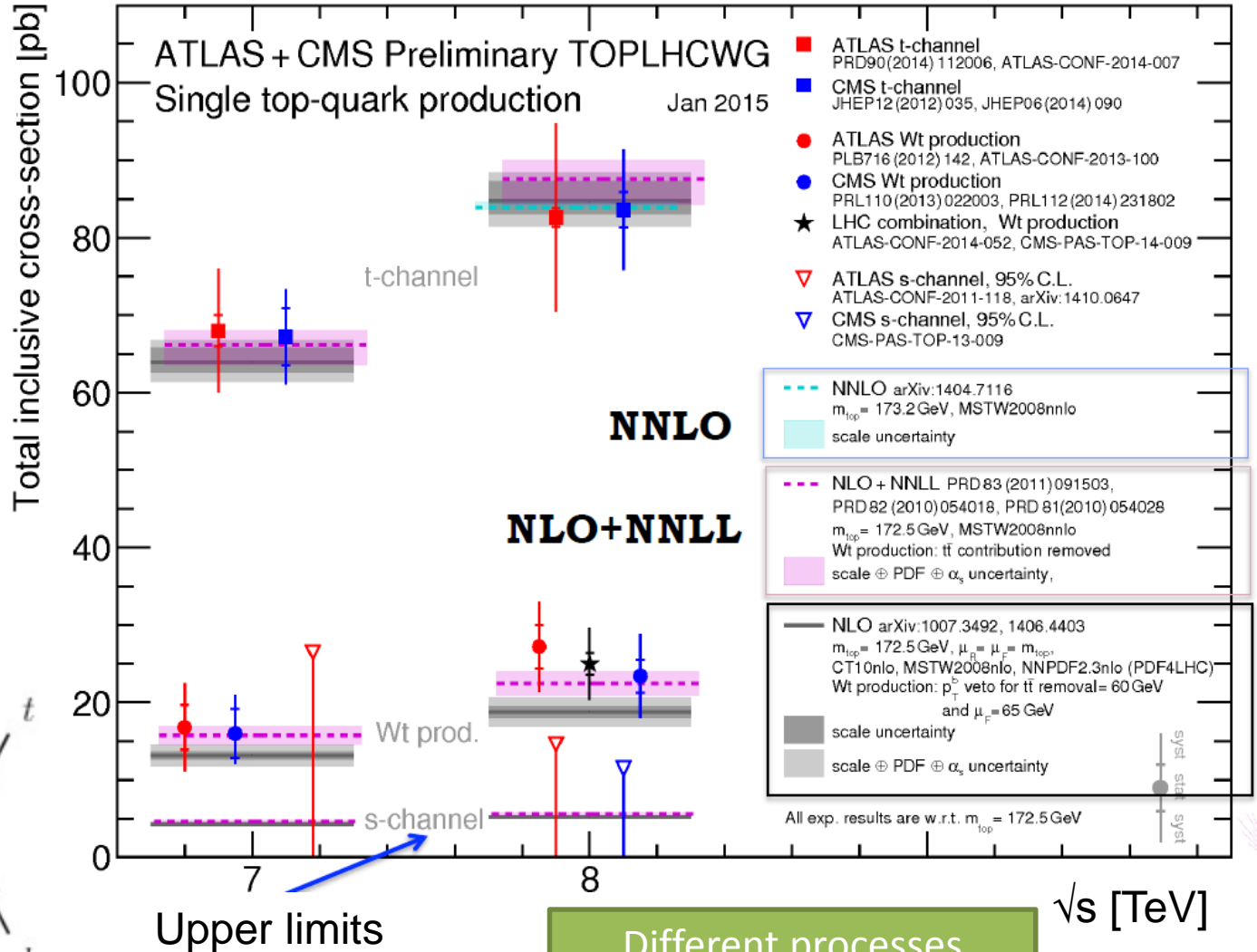
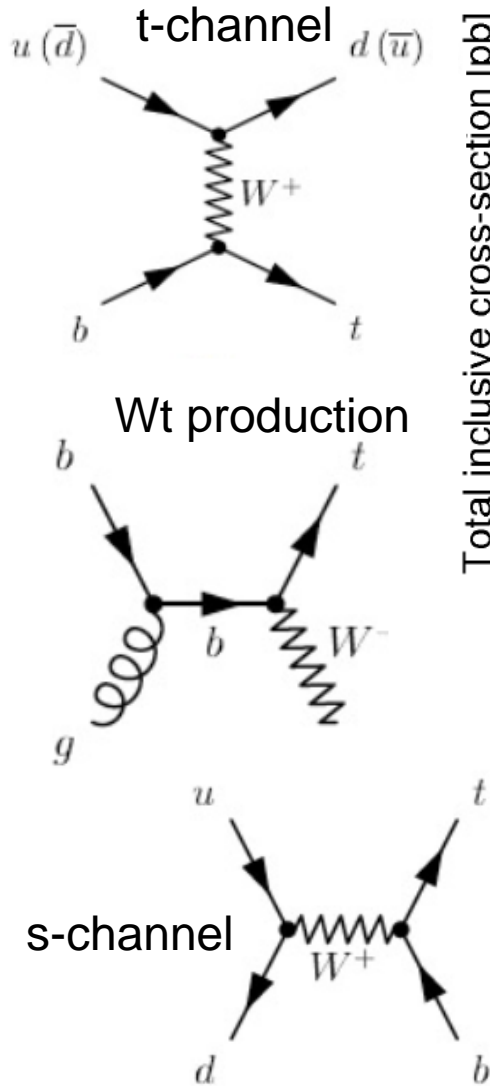
Experimental uncertainty 3.5%...

...3.9% including LHC beam energy uncertainty

scale uncertainty  
 scale  $\oplus$  PDF  $\oplus$   $\alpha_s$  uncertainty



# Single top inclusive production



Different processes sensitive to new physics

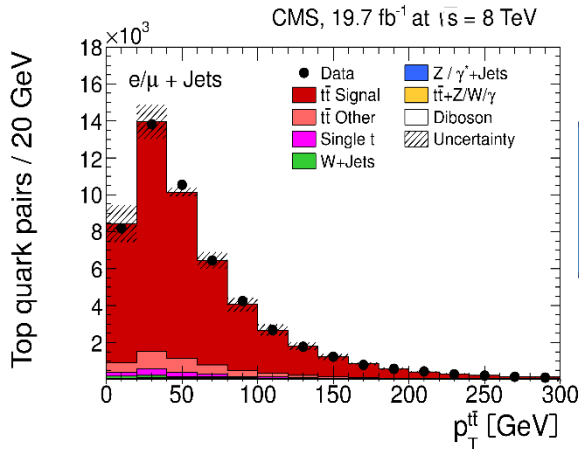


# Differential measurements

# Top pair differential measurement

- Differential cross sections **as a function of top and top decay product kinematics**
  - Measurements performed in both fiducial (visible) and full phase space
  - Probe perturbative QCD, test and tune MC models with measurements
- Top quark full kinematic reconstruction necessary and background subtraction**
- Unfolding techniques used (correcting bin to bin migration):
  - Account for acceptance and detector effects (resolution, efficiency, etc.)
  - Correct observed distributions to **particle** or **parton-level**
  - Compare with generators and/or calculations to unfolded data distribution

## Kin. Reconstruction



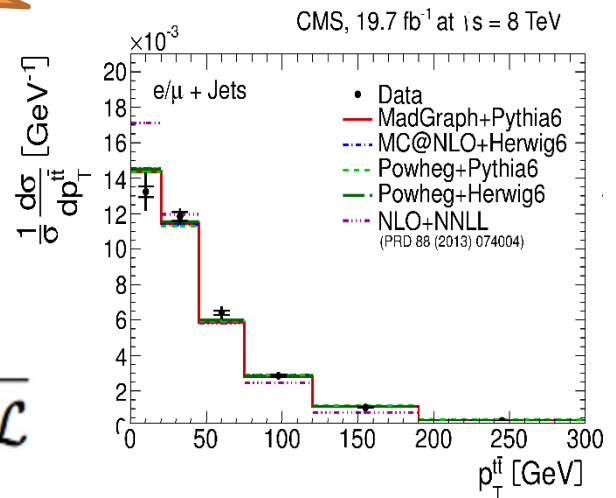
Example for l+jets  
@8TeV  
arXiv:1505.04480



▪ Background subtraction  
▪ Unfolding

$$\frac{1}{\sigma} \frac{d\sigma_i}{dX} = \frac{1}{\sigma} \frac{x_i}{\Delta_i^X \mathcal{L}}$$

## Diff. cross section



# Top pair differential measurement

**Fiducial** (a.k.a. visible) **particle-level** differential cross-section:

- Experimentally directly accessible region
- Correct for detector response only (resolutions and efficiency)
- Minimally model dependent

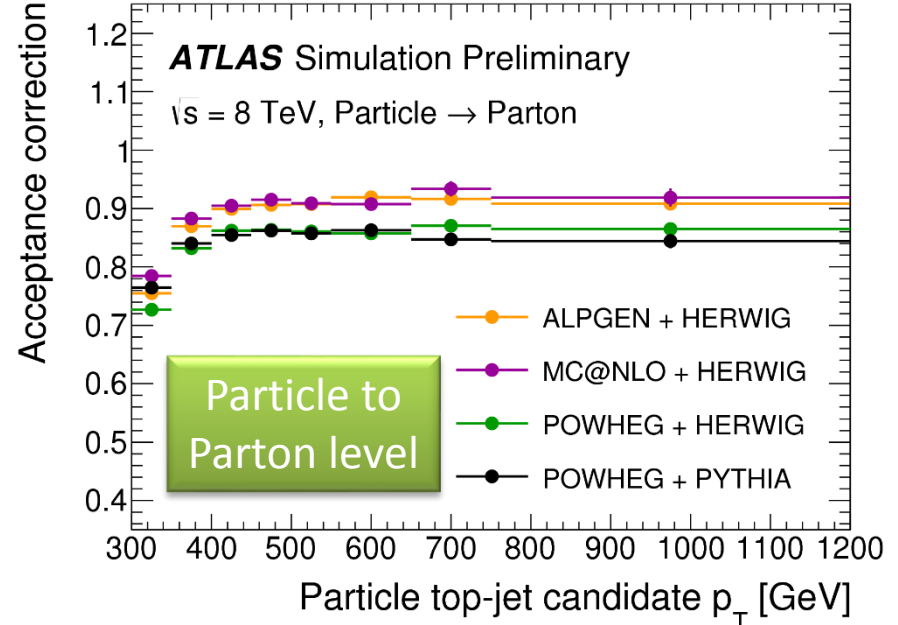
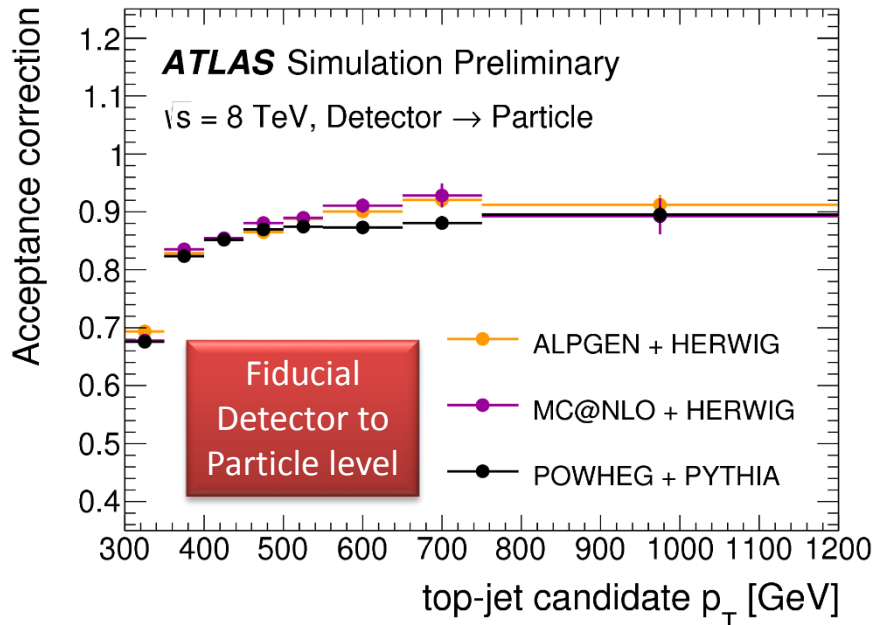
**Full phase-space extrapolation:**

- Model dependent

**Full phase-space parton-level:**

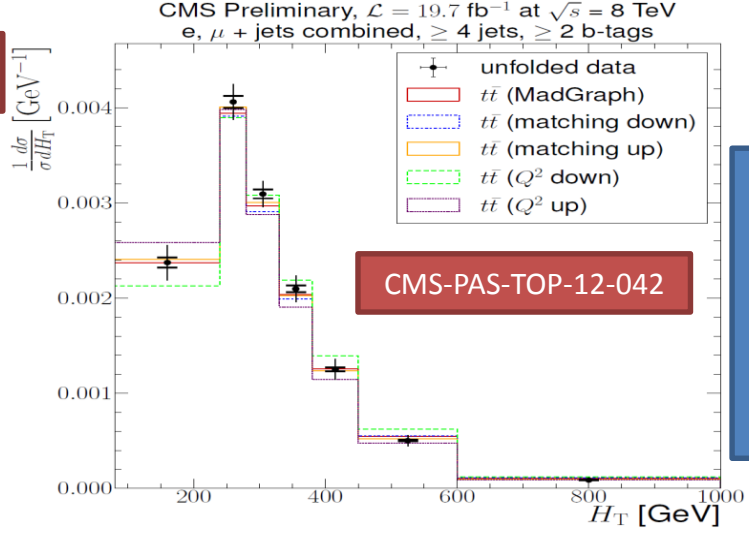
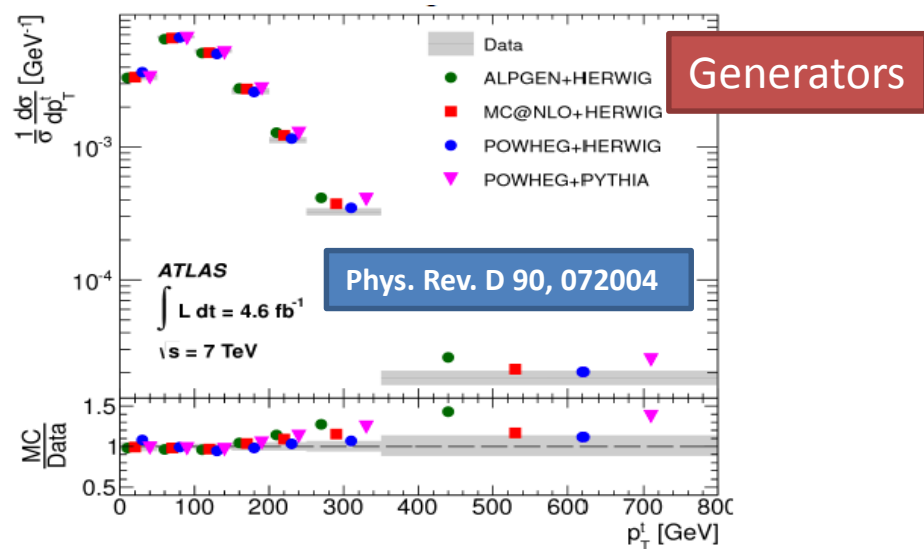
- Remove hadronization effects
- Model dependent

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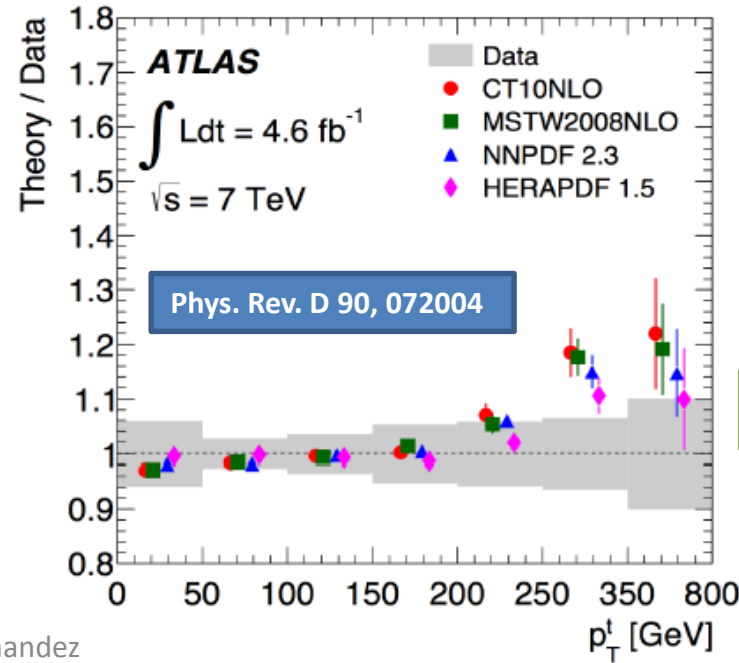
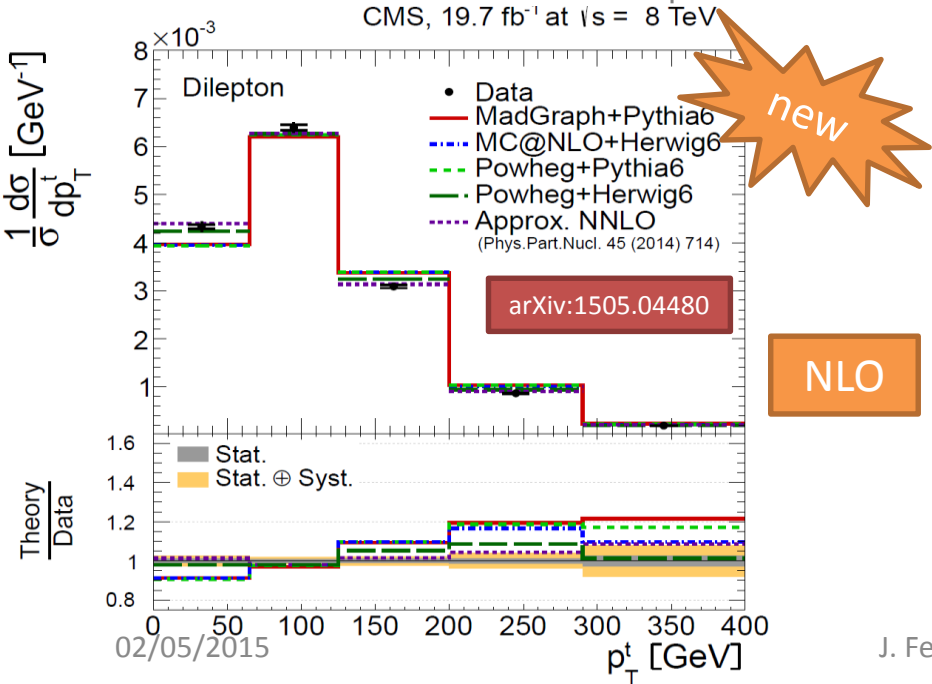




# Top pair differential measurement tests

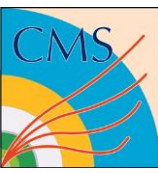


Global event variables and syst. shifts

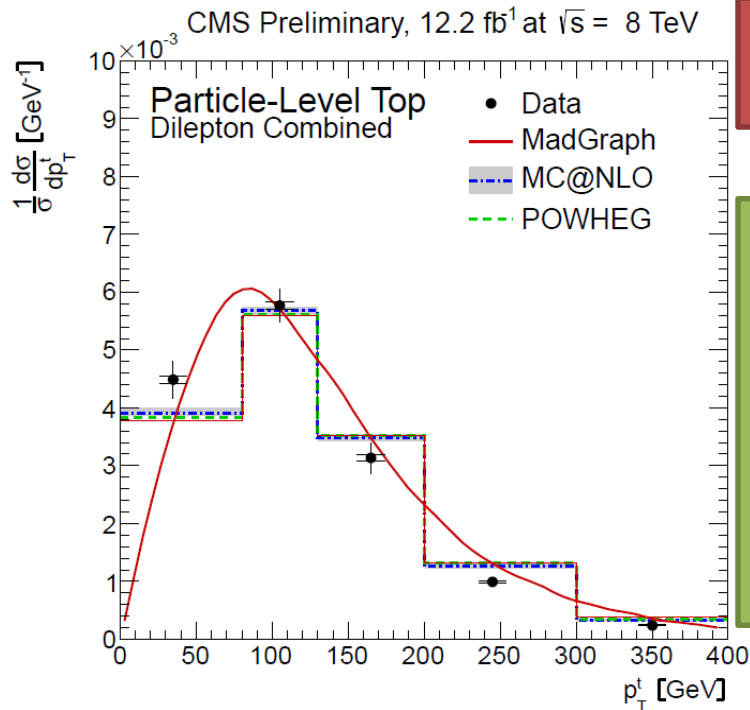
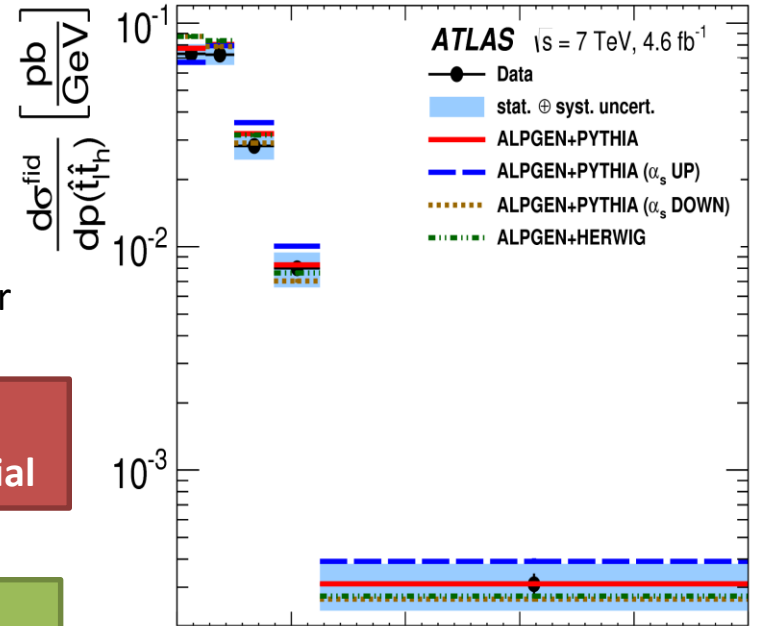




# Top pair differential: particle level

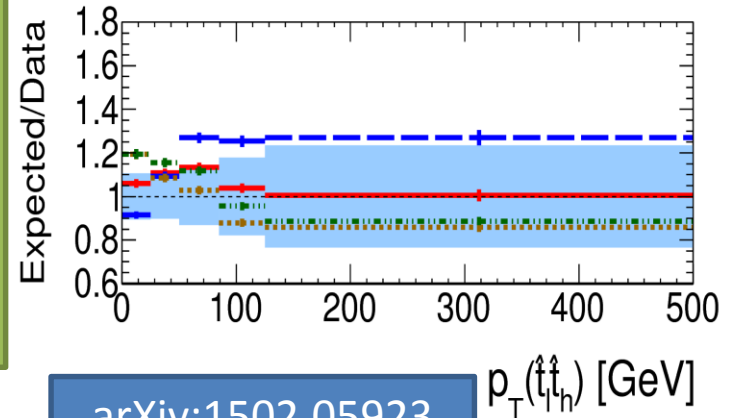


- top and tt at particle level built from **objects directly related to particle-level observables** (leptons, jets,  $ET_{miss}$ )
- Strongly correlated with top quark at parton level, **reduced model dependence**
- Data/MC comparisons sensitive to PDF sets and models
- **Main systematics:** b-tagging, jet energy, ISR/FSR P. Shower



**CMS-TOP-028**  
Additional material

Extending measurement from particle-level to construct top proxy (pseudo-top) from particle level objects



arXiv:1502.05923

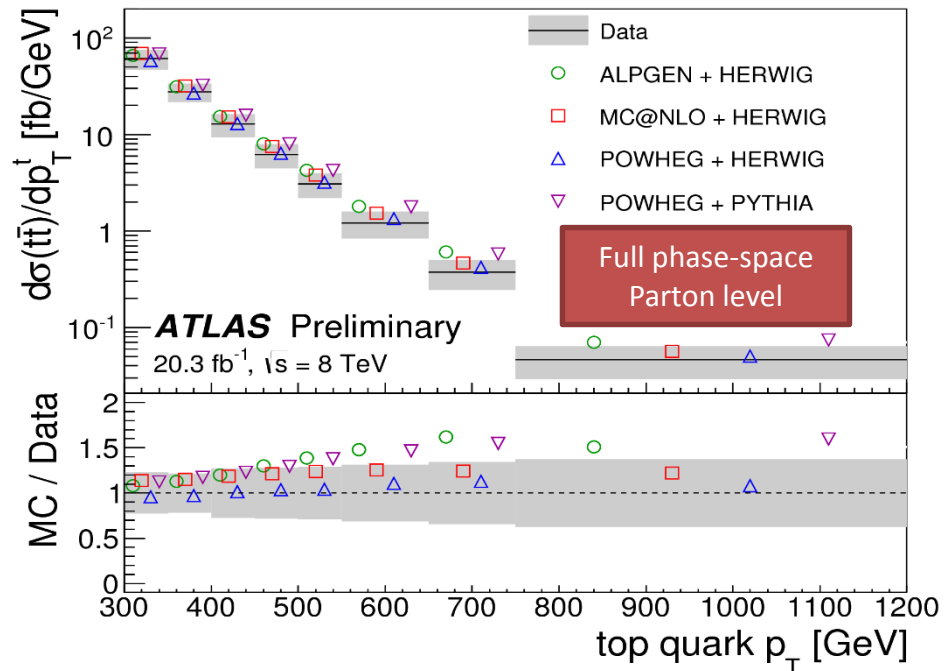
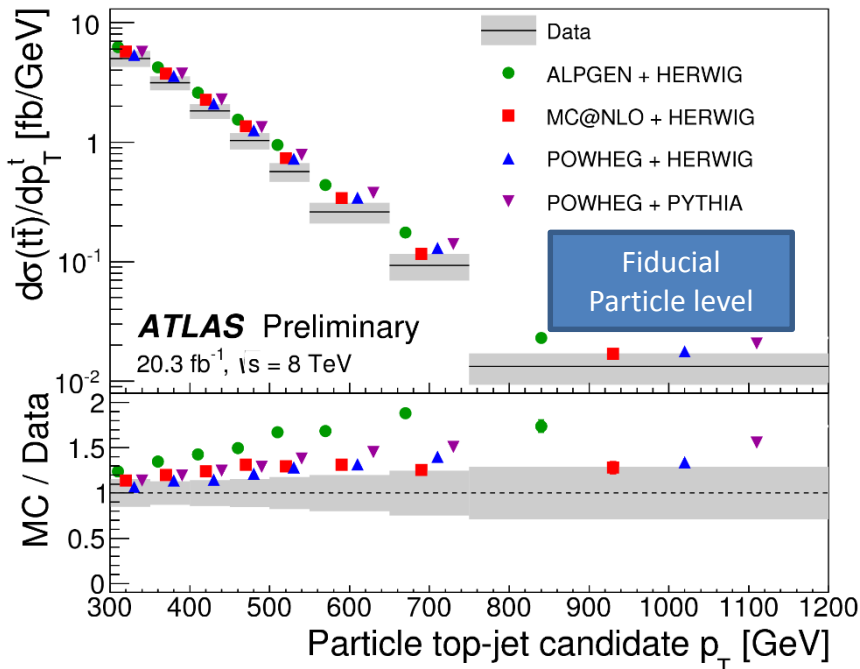
# Top pair differential: boosted

**First boosted** (lepton+jets) top pair differential cross-section w.r.t. hadronic top:

- top ID with jet substructure techniques
- Jet reconstruction algorithms up to TeV range
- anti-kt jet with  $R=1.0$ ,  $p_T^t > 300\text{GeV}$

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- Main systematics: **large-R jets energy scale (15-30%)**
- NLO and LO MC normalized to NNLO+NNLL QCD predictions **overestimate data** (at higher  $p_T$ ). Better description by **Powheg+Herwig** at parton level
- Modeling uncertainty **much larger at parton level!**



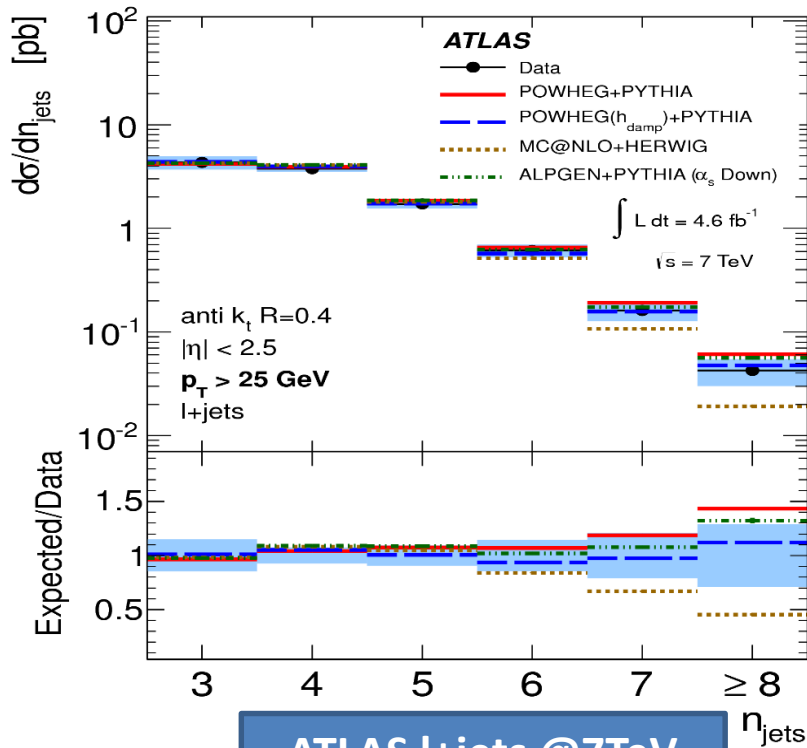
# tt+jets: fiducial differential vs njets

Total systematics on jet multiplicity: 10 to 30%  
(background modeling and jet energy scale)

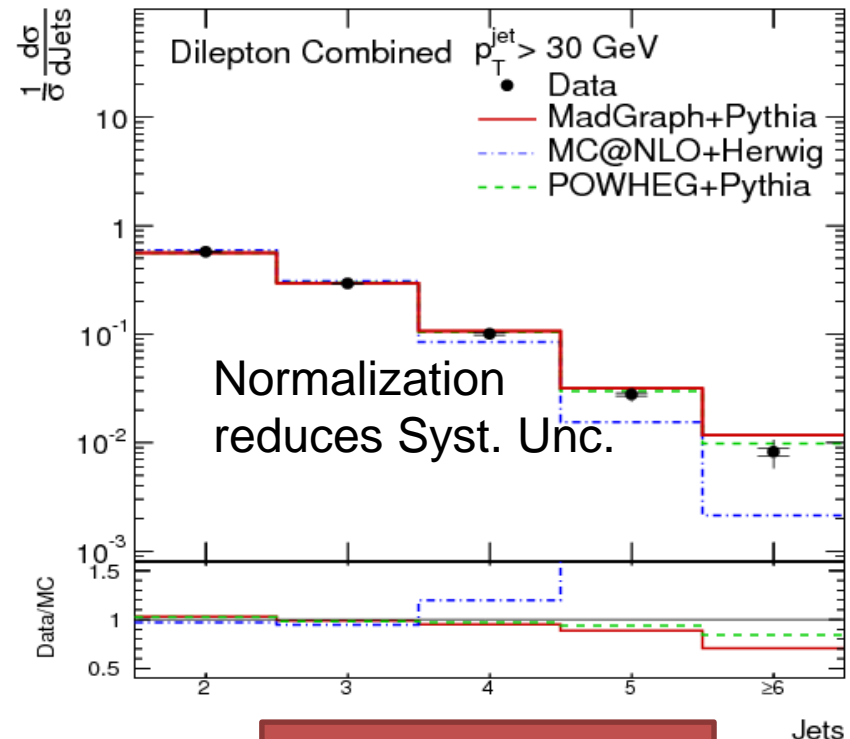
- Data discriminate models and validate choice of scale
- POWHEG+PYTHIA with tuning of hard radiation best overall description (accuracy and consistency)

MadGraph+Pythia6  
showing generally good  
agreement with the data

CMS Preliminary, 19.6 fb<sup>-1</sup> at  $\sqrt{s} = 8$  TeV



ATLAS l+jets @7TeV  
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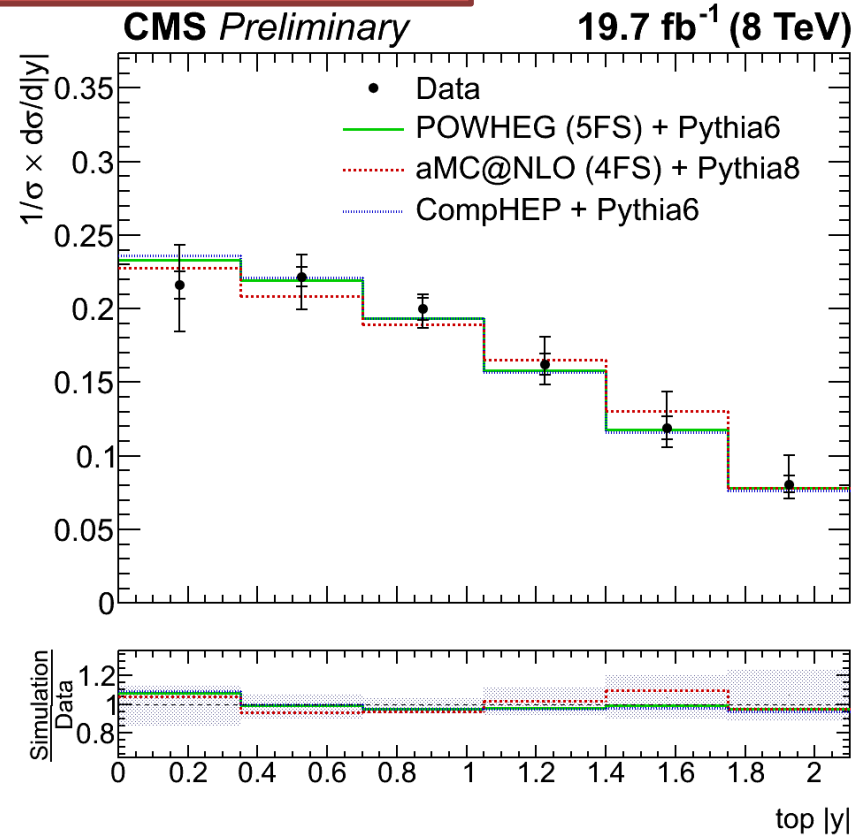
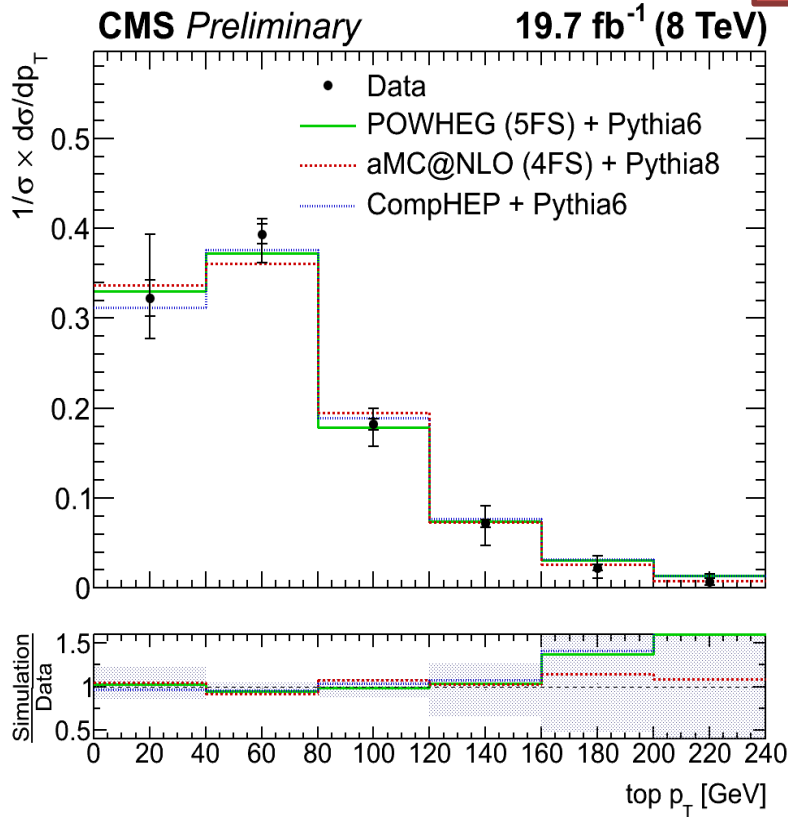
CMS dilep @8TeV  
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# Single top t-channel: differential

Differential cross sections as functions of top  $p_T$  and  $|\eta|$ . Leptonic decay channels.

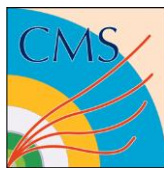
- Comparison with MC after showering/had. using different modeling for b-quarks
- All three simulations describe describe the unfolded data within statistical and systematic uncertainties

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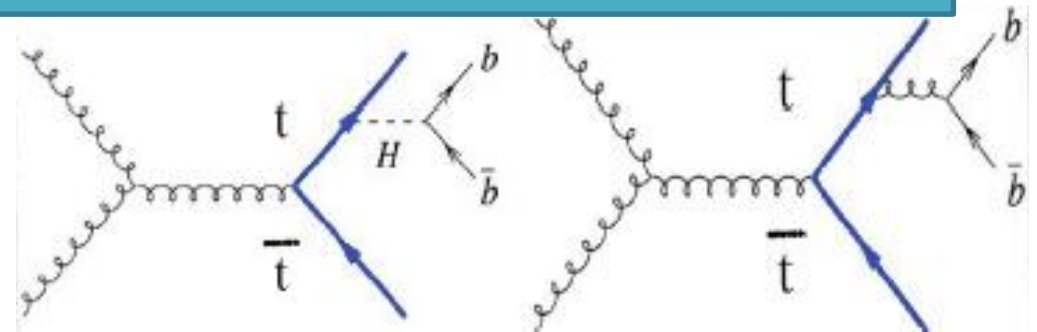
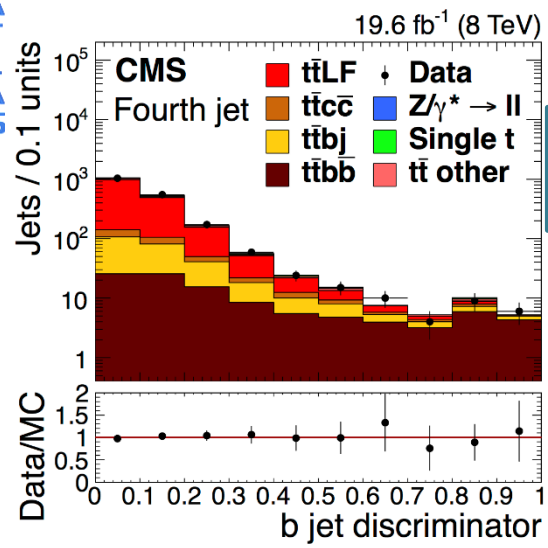


**tt + cc/bb**



# tt+cc/bb

Main background in the search for ttH and as a figure of merit for testing the validity of NLO QCD calculations



**Dilepton ATLAS@7TeV 2D fit: (jet pT, vertex mass)**  
**Phys.Rev. D89 (2014) 072012**

**ALPGEN+HERWIG = 3.4%**  
**POWHEG+HERWIG = 5.2%**

$$R_{HF} = \frac{\sigma(t\bar{t} + b + X \text{ or } t\bar{t} + c + X)}{\sigma(t\bar{t} + j)} = \frac{\sigma(t\bar{t} + HF)}{\sigma(t\bar{t} + j)} = [6.2 \pm 1.1 (stat) \pm 1.8 (syst)]\%$$

**Dilepton CMS@8TeV Fit to b-tag discriminator on signal+background categories.**  
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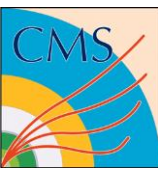
$$\frac{\sigma(t\bar{t}b\bar{b})}{\sigma(t\bar{t}jj)} = 0.022 \pm 0.004 (stat) \pm 0.005 (syst) \text{ at } Jet p_T > 40 GeV$$

$\frac{\sigma(t\bar{t}b\bar{b})}{\sigma(t\bar{t}jj)} (NLO QCD) = 0.011 \pm 0.003$

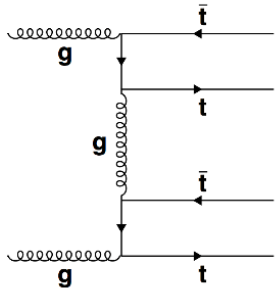
**MADGRAPH+PYTHIA = 0.013 ± 0.002**  
**POWHEG+PYTHIA = 0.014 ± 0.002**

**NLO predictions and MCs systematically lower than observed ratios**  
**Dominant systematic: mistag efficiency**

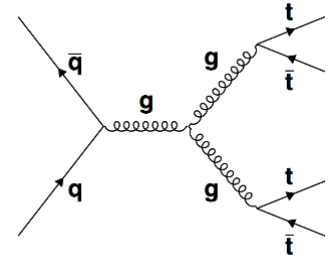
tttt



# tttt



- $\sigma(\text{tttt}) \text{ SM} \approx 1 \text{ fb} @ 8 \text{ TeV (MG)}$
- Many BSM models predict enhancement of this cross section (SUSY squark/gluino decays)
- Will be of interest for Run 2:
  - cross section  $\sim 9\text{-}15$  times larger



No significant excess observed over SM expectations

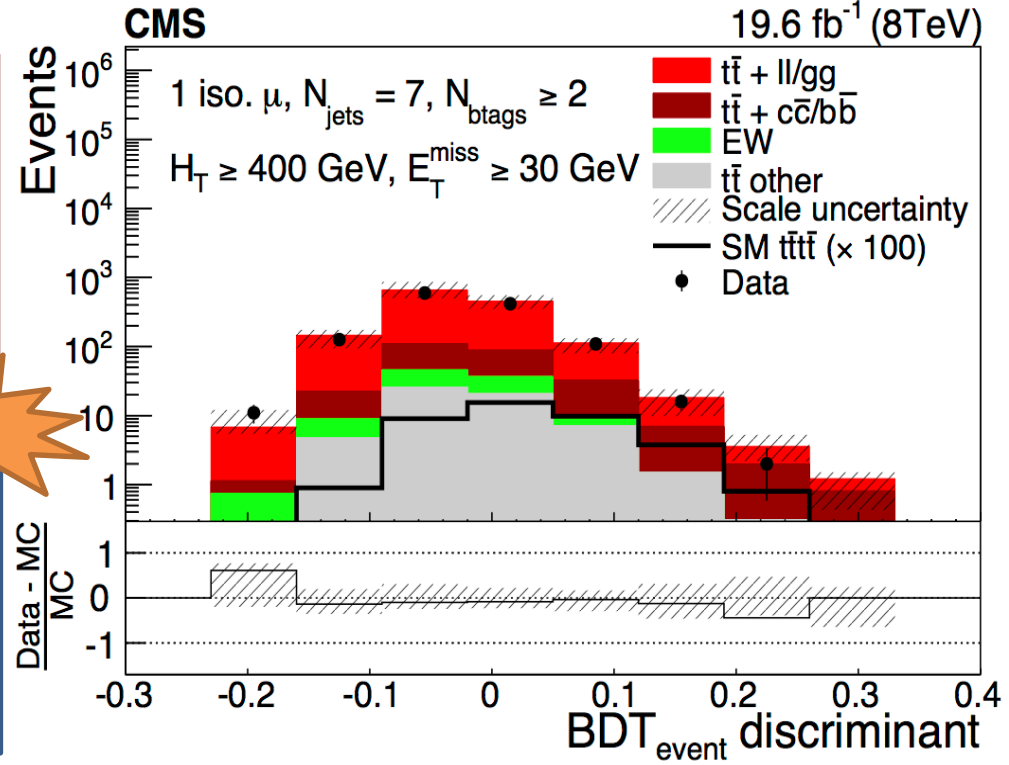
**CMS 8TeV result (dilepton)**  
 Cross section limit:

- Observed: 32 fb (25 x SM)
- Expected:  $32 \pm 17$  fb

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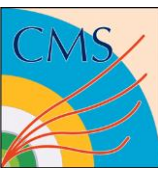
**ATLAS 8TeV result (lepton+jets): the**  
 observed (expected) 95% CL upper limit  
 on the production cross section is 34 (47)  
 times the SM prediction, or 23 fb (32 fb)

**arXiv:1505.04306**





# Conclusions/Summary

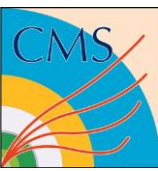


- **Rich and mature top physics program @ Run 1**
  - Single top measured (upper limit in s-channel)
  - Inclusive and differential cross sections
  - Study of four-top & tt+HF production
- **Precise and extended cross section :**
  - **Theoretical calculations challenged by precision of experimental data (in a hadronic collider)**
- Top community eager to look at LHC Run2 data
  - More top quarks: cross section increases by a factor ~3 !**

# Backup

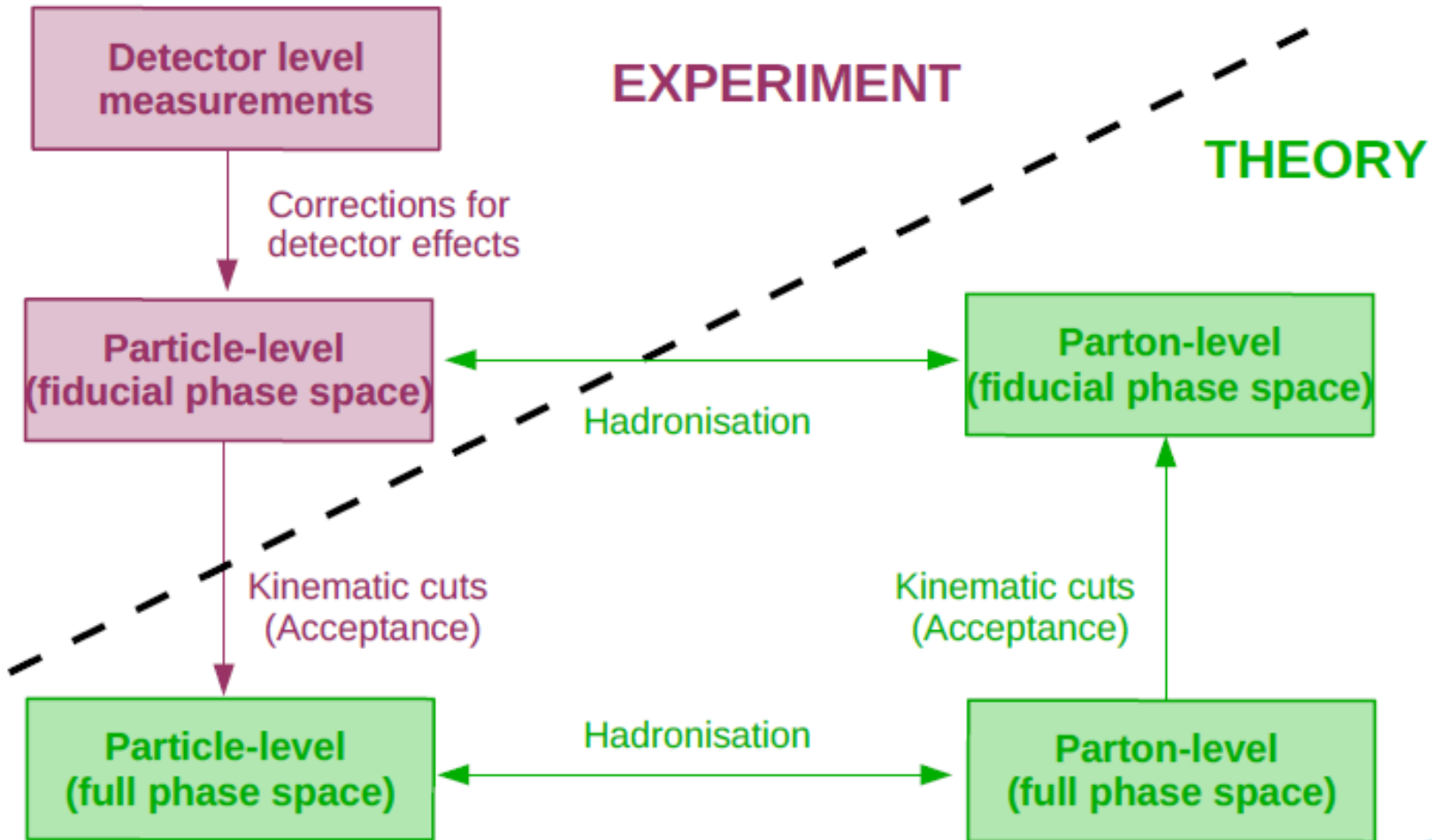


# Overview of top pair differential measurements



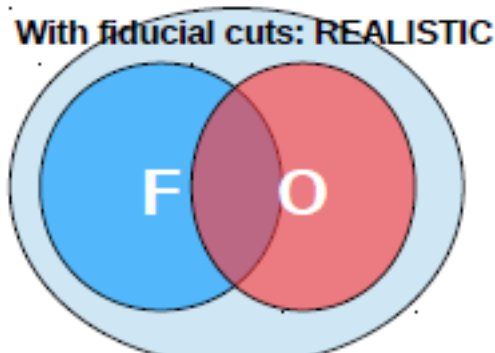
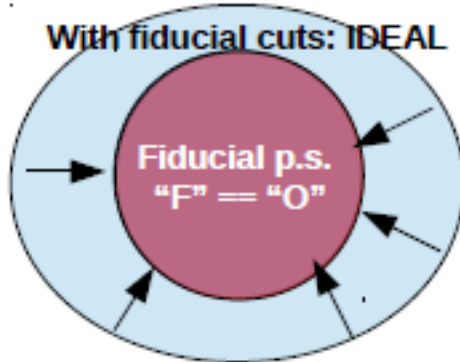
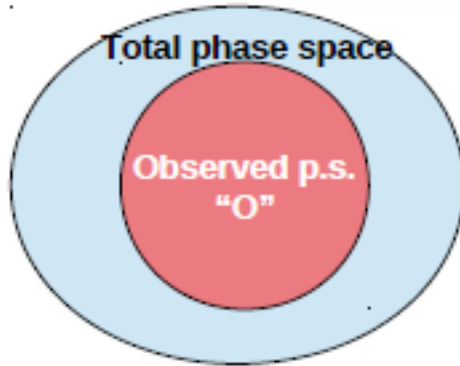
	Full phase space	Fiducial (visible) phase space
Objects	Parton-level	Particle-level
Top, tt	ATLAS(L+J) 7TeV Phys. Rev. D 90, 072004 (2014) CMS (L+J,L+L) 7TeV EPJ C73 (2013) 2339 CMS (L+J,L+L) 8TeV arXiv:1505.04480	ATLAS (L+J) 7TeV arxiv:1502.05923 CMS (L+J,L+L) 8TeV arXiv:1505.04480
Boosted top	ATLAS(L+J) 8TeV ATLAS-CONF-2014-057	ATLAS(L+J) 8TeV ATLAS-CONF-2014-057
Final state (leptons, jets)		CMS (L+J,L+L) 7TeV EPJ C73 (2013) 2339 CMS (L+J,L+L) 8TeV arXiv:1505.04480
Global event variables	CMS (L+J) 7TeV CMS-PAS-TOP-12-019 CMS (L+J) 8TeV CMS-PAS-TOP-12-042	
tt + jets	CMS (L+L) 8TeV CMS-PAS-TOP-12-041	ATLAS (L+L) 7TeV Eur. Phys. J. C72 (2012) 2043 ATLAS (L+J) 7TeV JHEP01(2015)020 ATLAS (L+J) 7TeV ATL-PHYS-PUB-2015-002 CMS (L+J,L+L) 7TeV Eur. Phys. J. C74 (2014) 3014 CMS (L+L) 8TeV CMS-PAS-TOP-12-041

# Fiducial vs Full Particle vs Parton

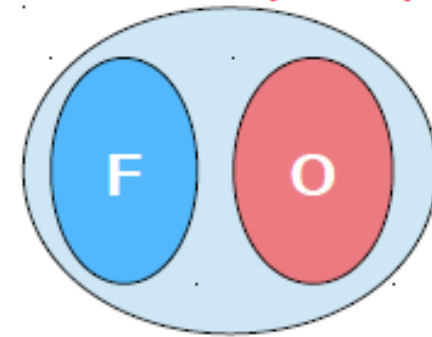




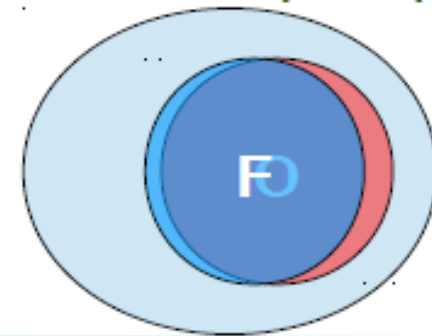
# Phase space: total, fiducial, observed



Reality:  
bad choice of the phase space



Reality:  
good choice of the phase space



# Top pair inclusive $m_{top}=173.34$

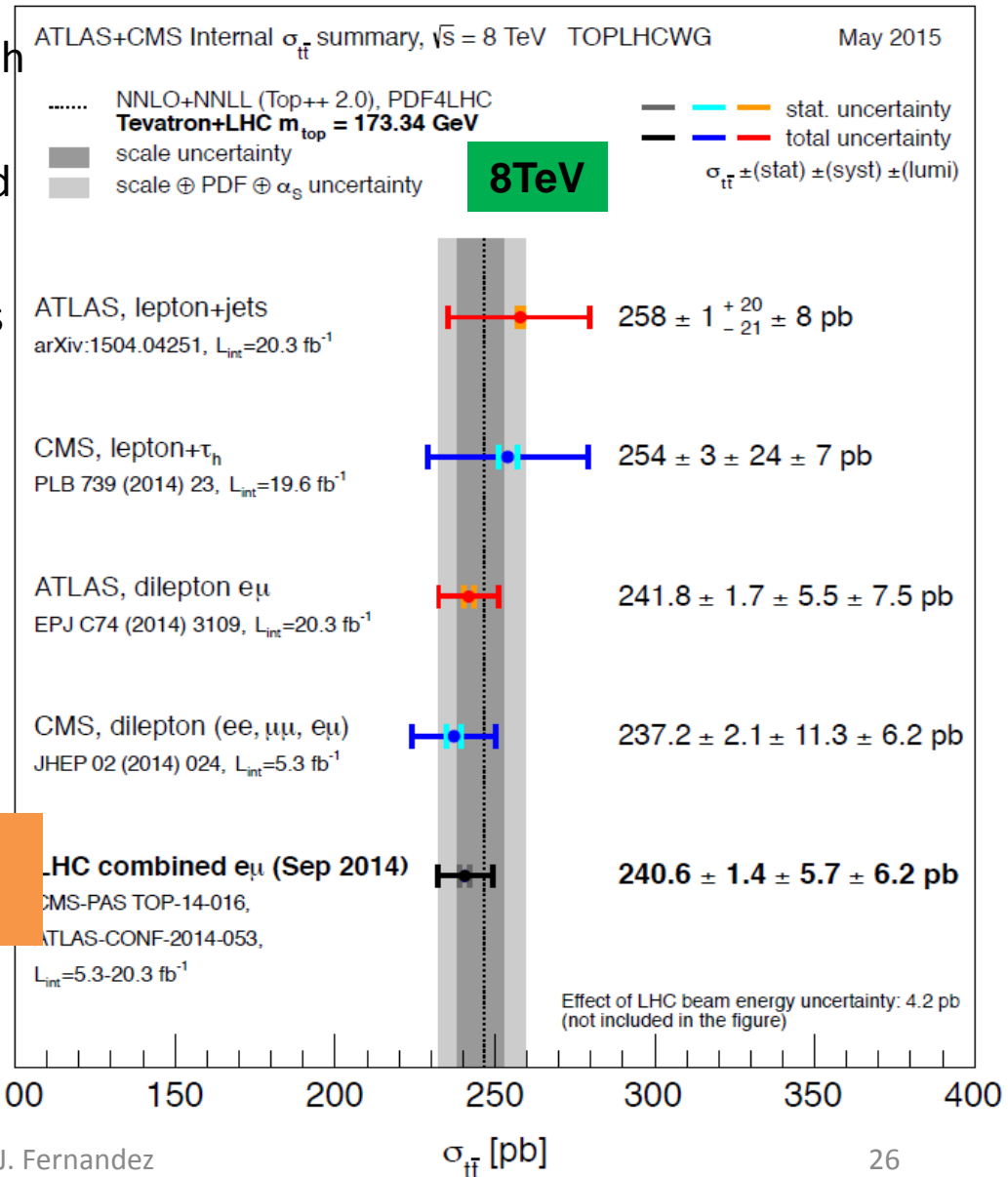
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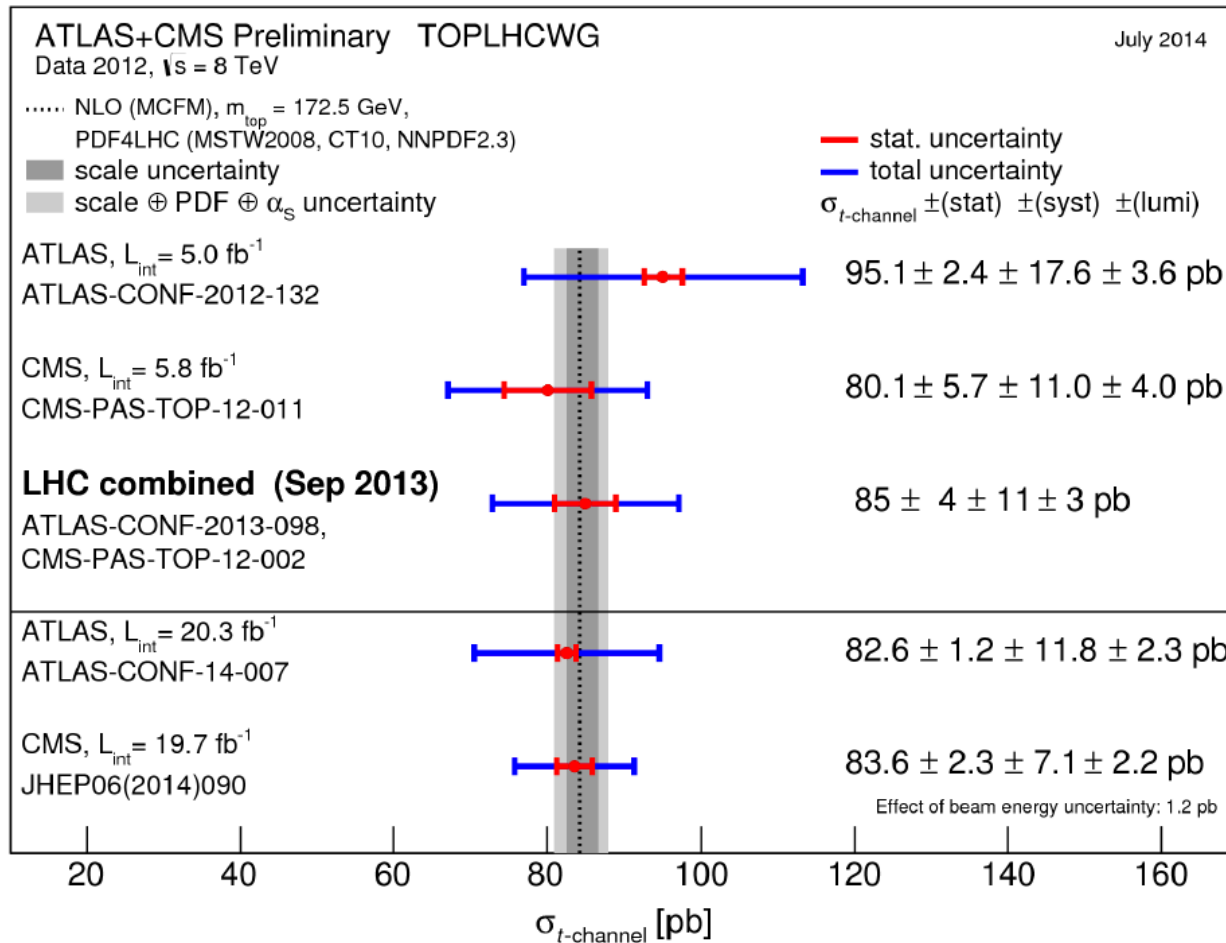
Experimental uncertainty 3.5%

~3.9% including LHC beam energy uncertainty

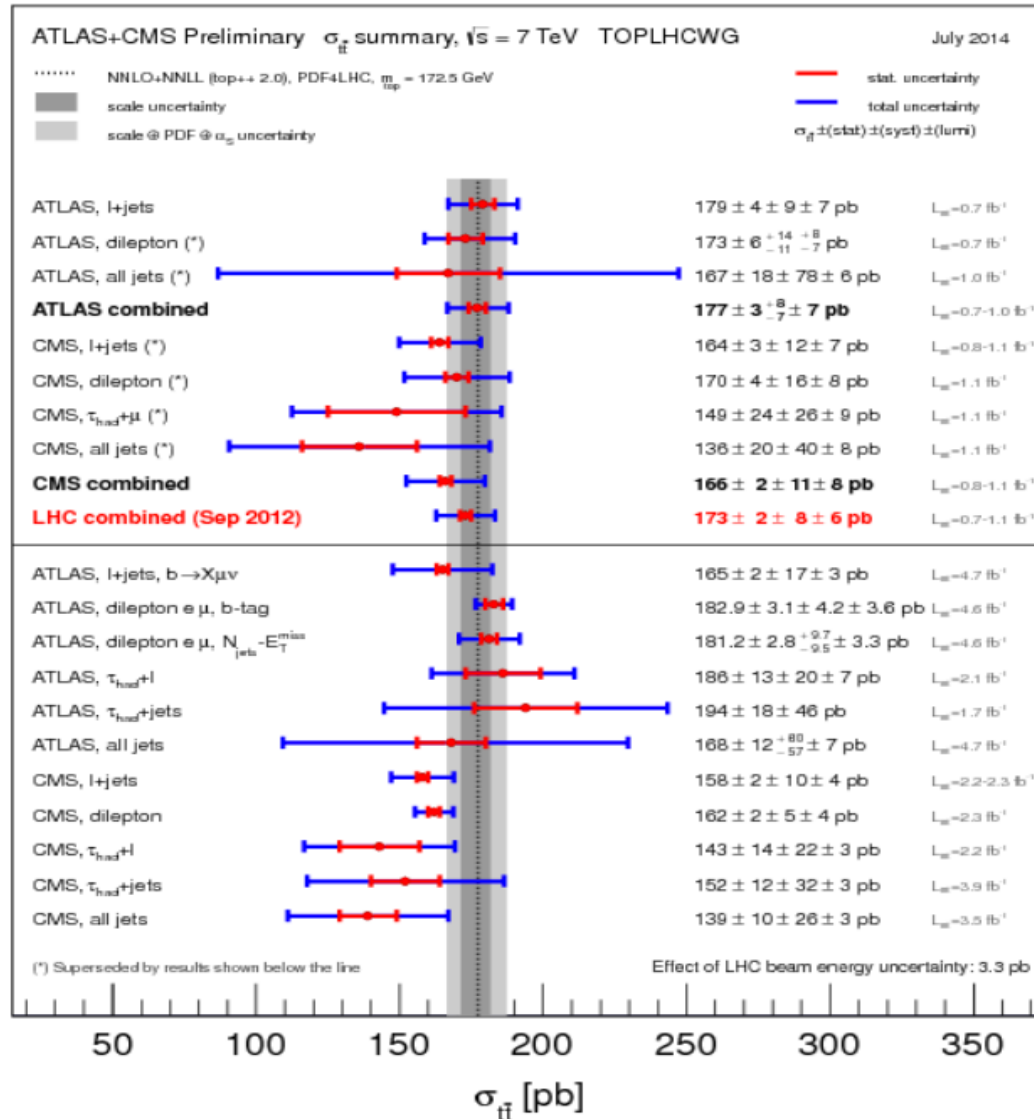
scale uncertainty  
 scale  $\oplus$  PDF  $\oplus$   $\alpha_s$  uncertainty



# Summary Single top: t-channel @8TeV



# Inclusive Cross Sections 7TeV



# LHC 7TeV Combination

