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# Top quark Production

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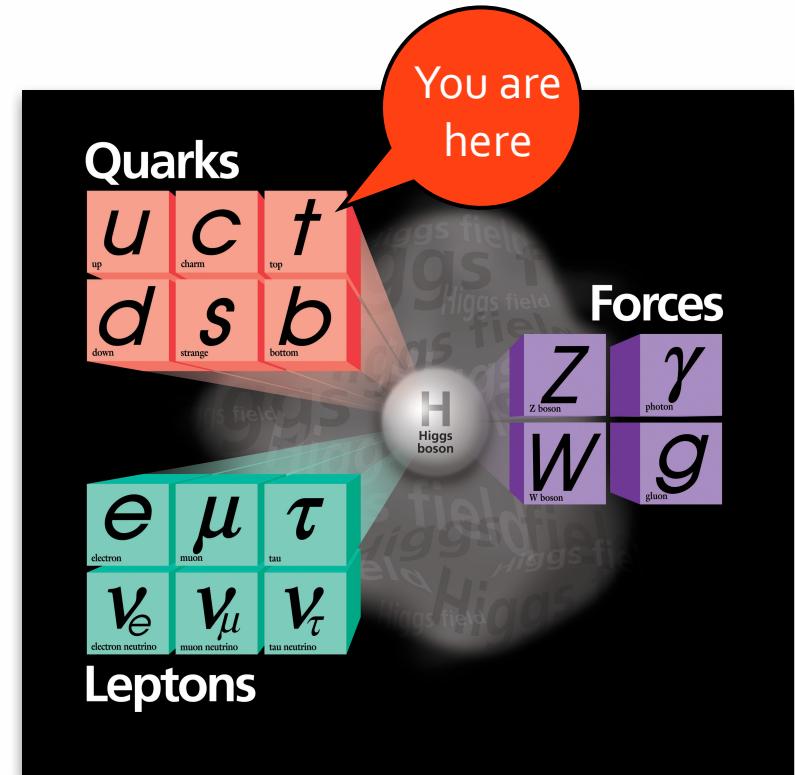
# Outline: focus on recent measurements

- Top quark pair production cross sections from Tevatron and LHC
  - Total inclusive
  - Differential
  - $t\bar{t}+b\bar{b}$
- Associated Production of top quarks with a boson
  - except for Higgs (see Higgs talk)
- Single top quark production from Tevatron and LHC



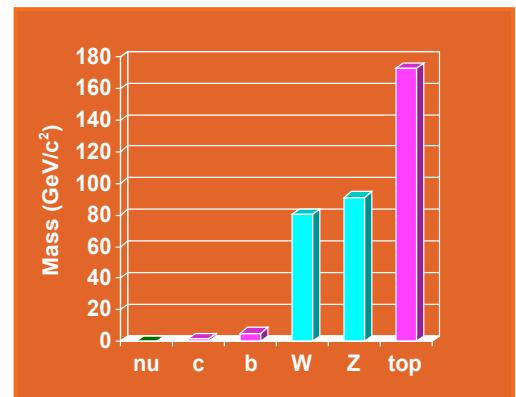
Some results are shown here for the first time (or very very recent)!

8 TeV results use the full dataset ( $\sim 20 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ )!

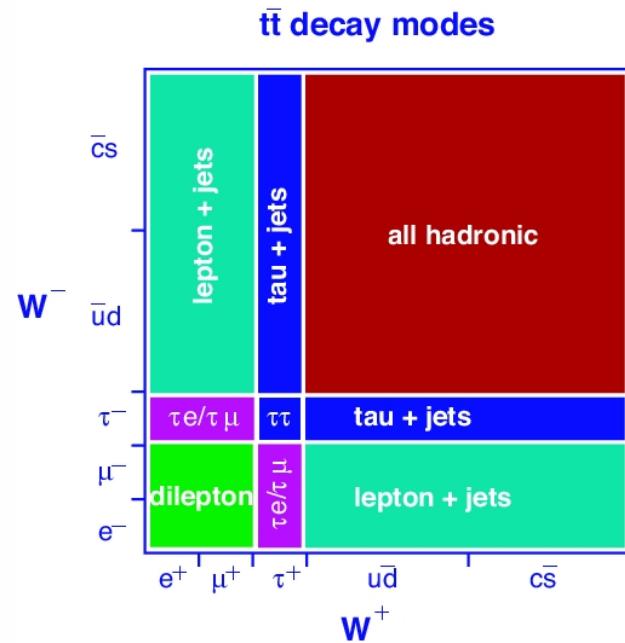


# Top quark is so heavy!

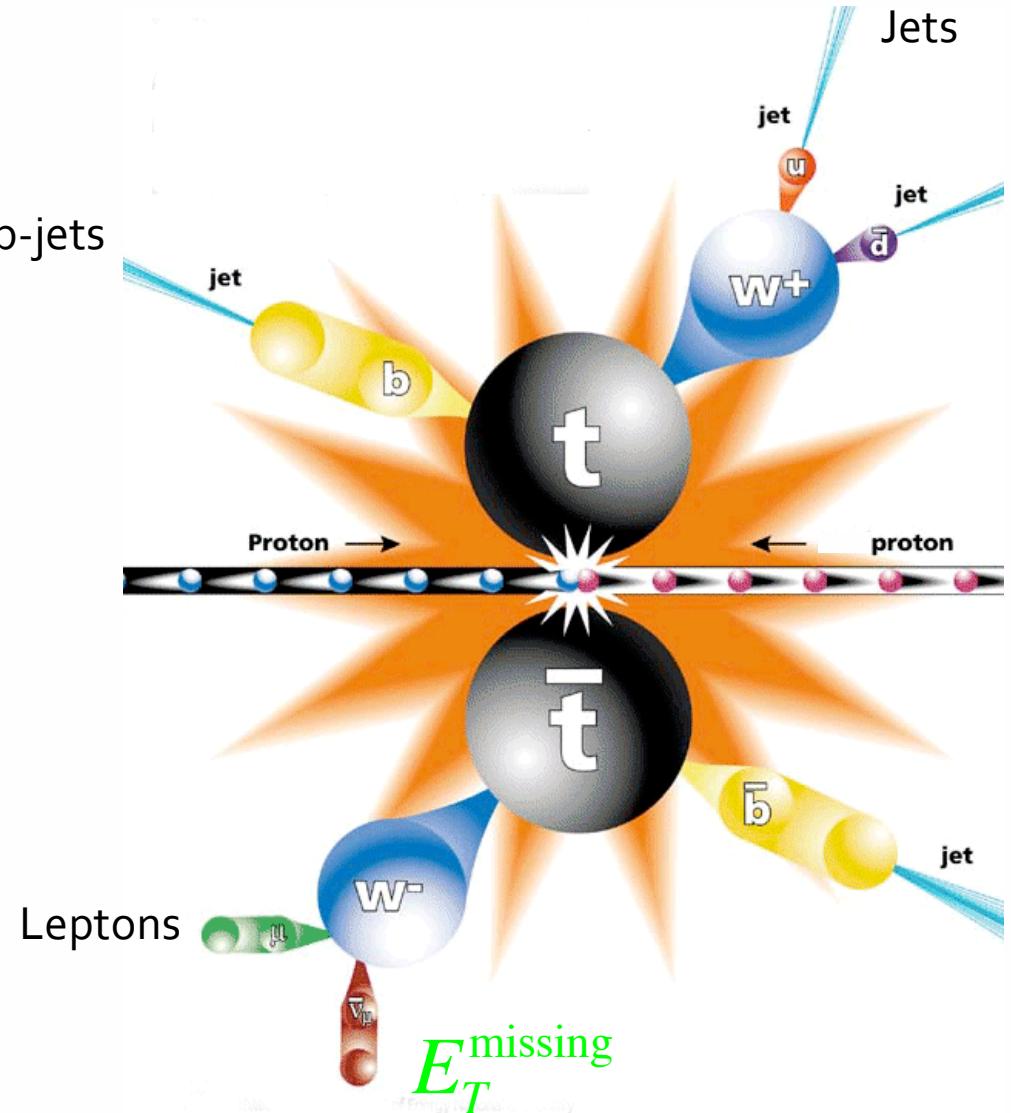
- May be not a normal quark...
- Top decays before it feels non-perturbative strong interaction
- LHC is a top quark factory: at 13 TeV about 2 tops every second!
- Studying top production is crucial to the LHC programme:
  - Detailed measurements of QCD, EWK
  - Probe couplings to Higgs, W, Z,  $\gamma$
  - 3rd generation models within BSM
  - Significant background to searches and Higgs



# How the top quark decays

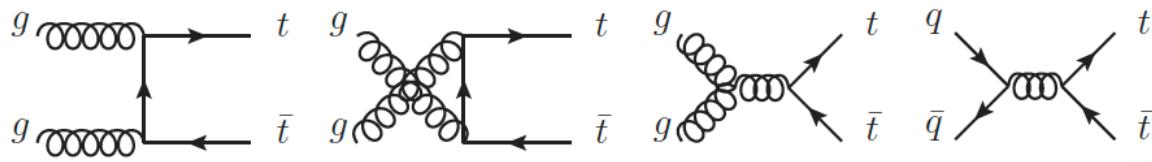


(not inc. $\tau$ )	BR	background
dilepton	~5%	low
lepton + jets	~30%	moderate
all hadronic	~44%	high



# Top anti-top quark total inclusive cross sections

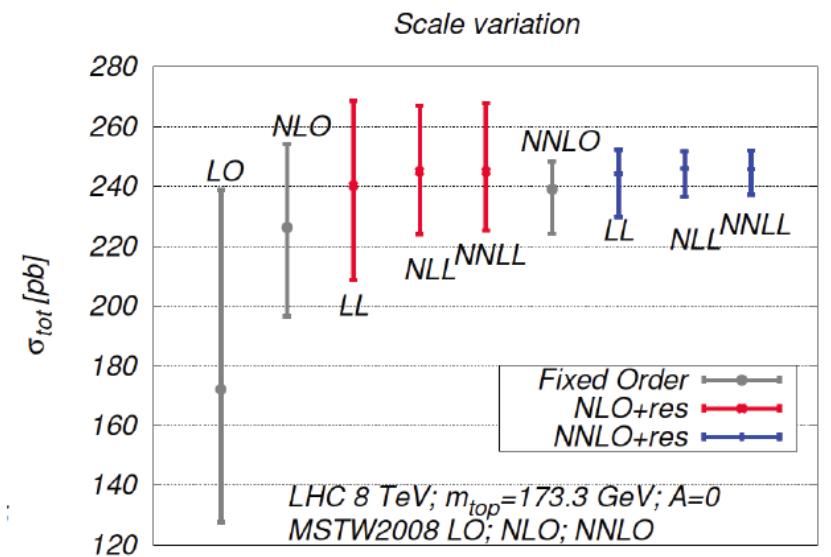
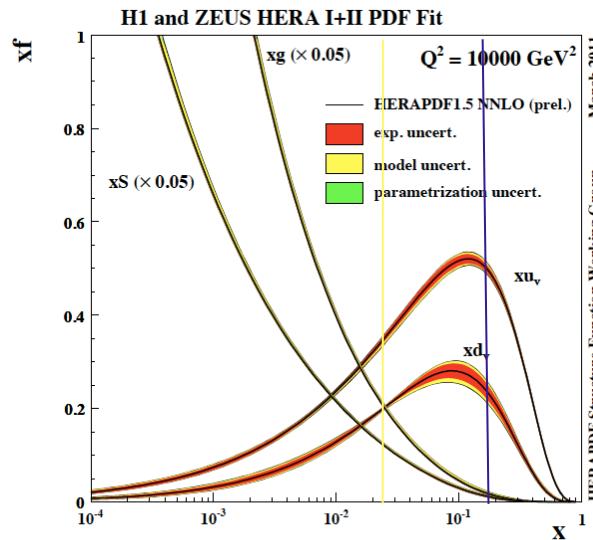
# Top anti-top quark production



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$$\hat{s} = x_i \sqrt{s} \cdot x_j \sqrt{s} \geq (2m_t)^2$$

$$x_i \approx \frac{2m_t}{\sqrt{s}}$$



NNLO+NNLL

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	x	qq vs gg	cross section $\pm$ scales	$\pm$ pdf
Tev 1.96 TeV	0.18	90% vs 10%	7.164 pb	$\sim 2\%$
LHC 7 TeV	0.048	15% vs 85%	172.0 pb	$\sim 3\%$
LHC 8 TeV	0.043	12% vs 88%	245.8 pb	$\sim 3\%$
LHC 14 TeV	0.025	10% vs 90%	953.6 pb	$\sim 3\%$

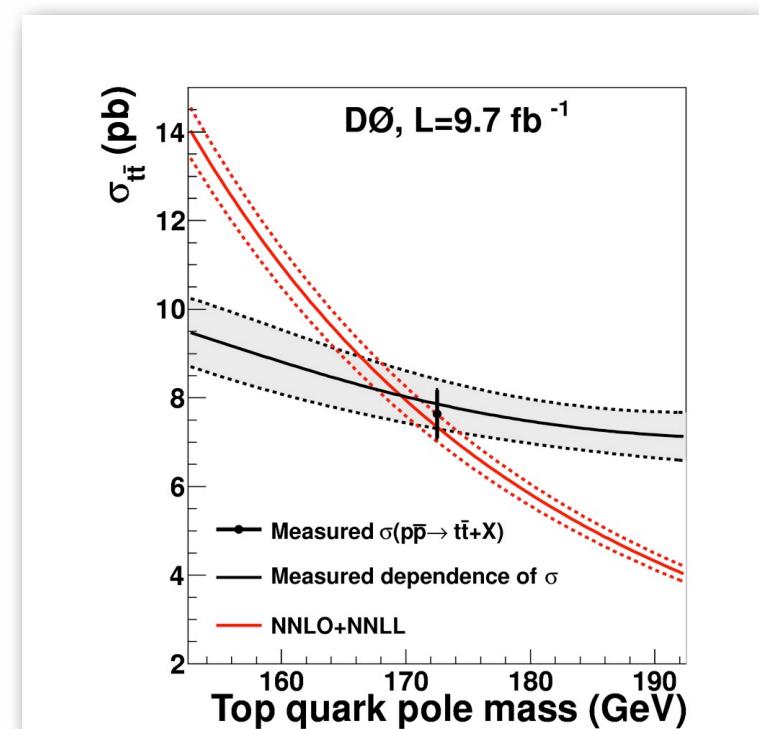
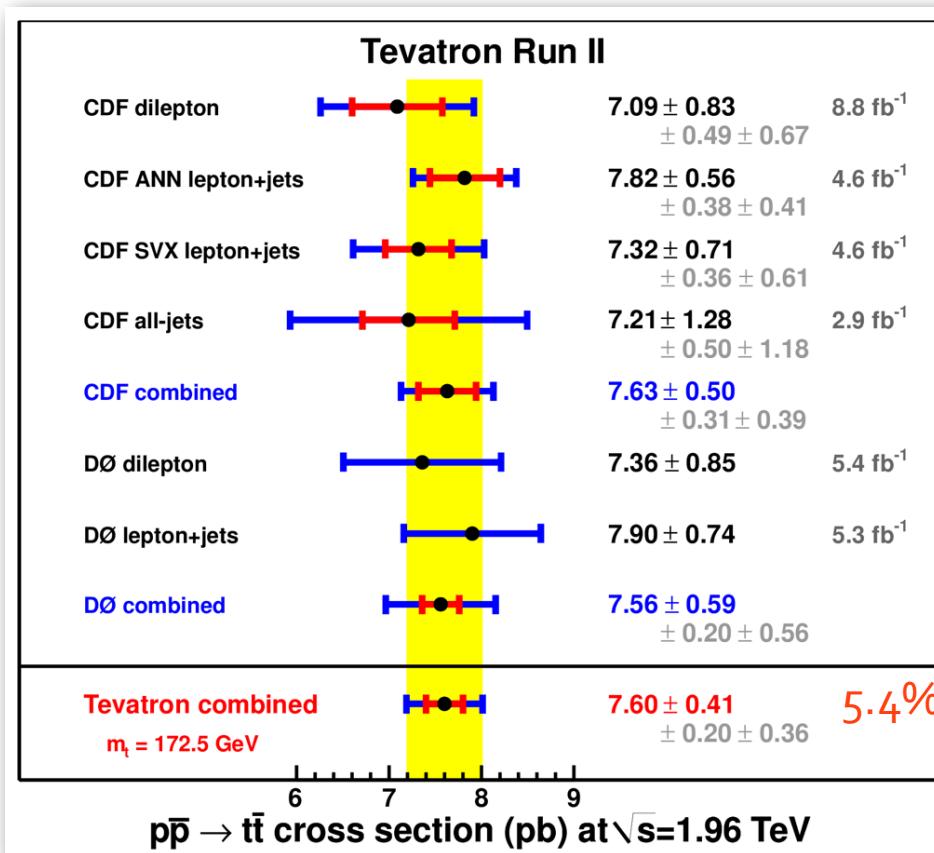
 $m_t=173.3$  GeV, MSTW2008nnlo68cl



# tt inclusive cross section at 1.96 TeV

- l+jets: fit the topological MVA distribution
  - 30 variables for each lepton type and number of jet bins into a BDTG
- dilepton: fit the b-tag MVA distribution

$$\sigma = 7.73 \pm 0.13 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 0.55 \text{ (syst.) pb} \quad 7.3\%$$



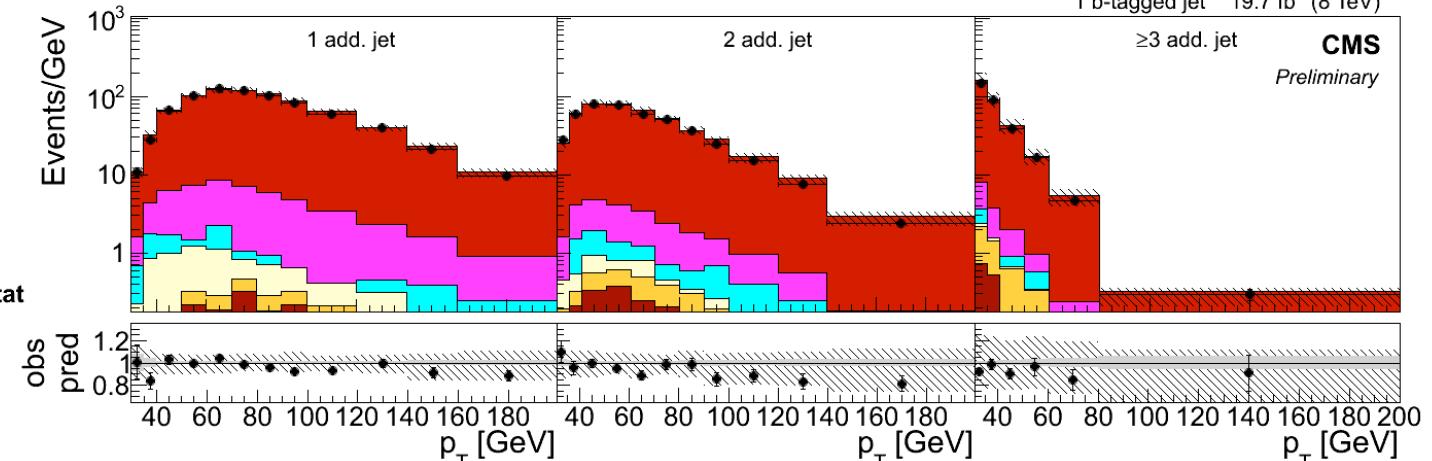
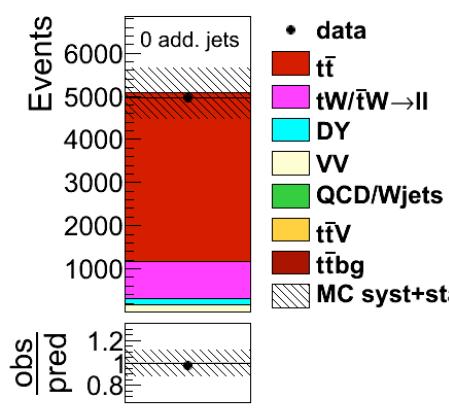
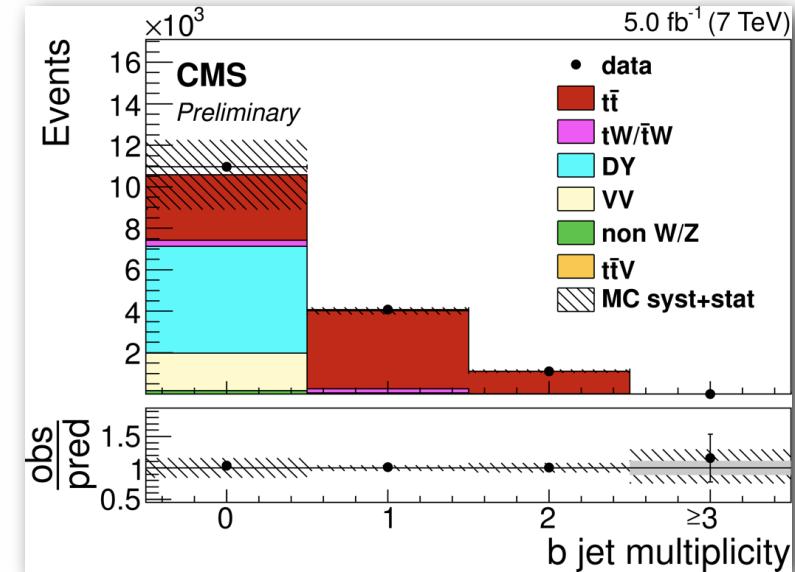
# tt inclusive cross section at 7 and 8 TeV



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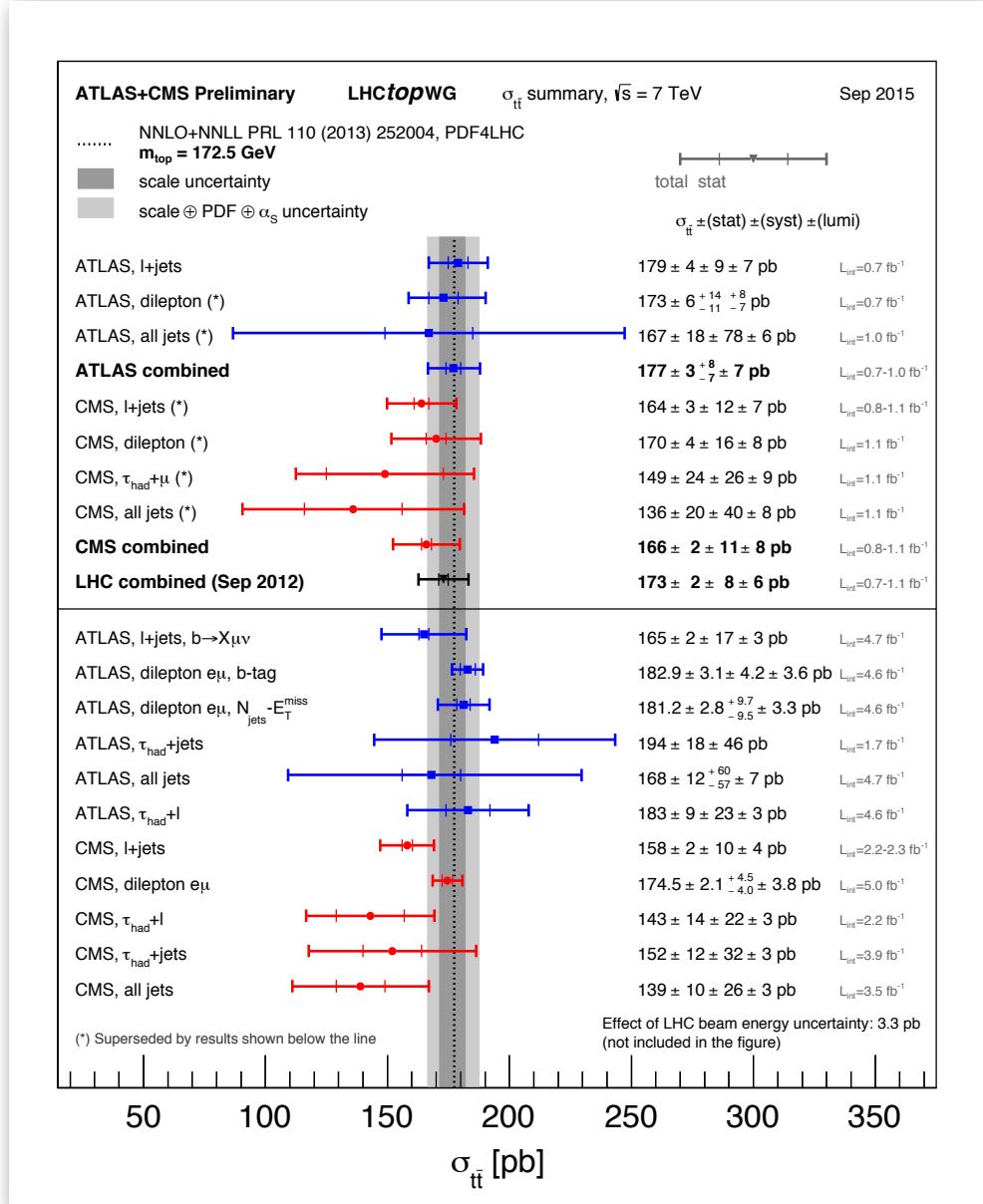
- $e\mu$  channel with full integrated luminosity
- binned likelihood fit to 12 distributions, including nuisance parameters for systematics
- obtain fiducial cross section, pole top mass, stop quark limit

$$R_{tt} = 1.41 \pm 0.06 \quad (R_{tt}^{nnlo} = \sigma_8 / \sigma_7 = 1.430 \pm 0.006)$$



least energetic additional non b-tagged jet

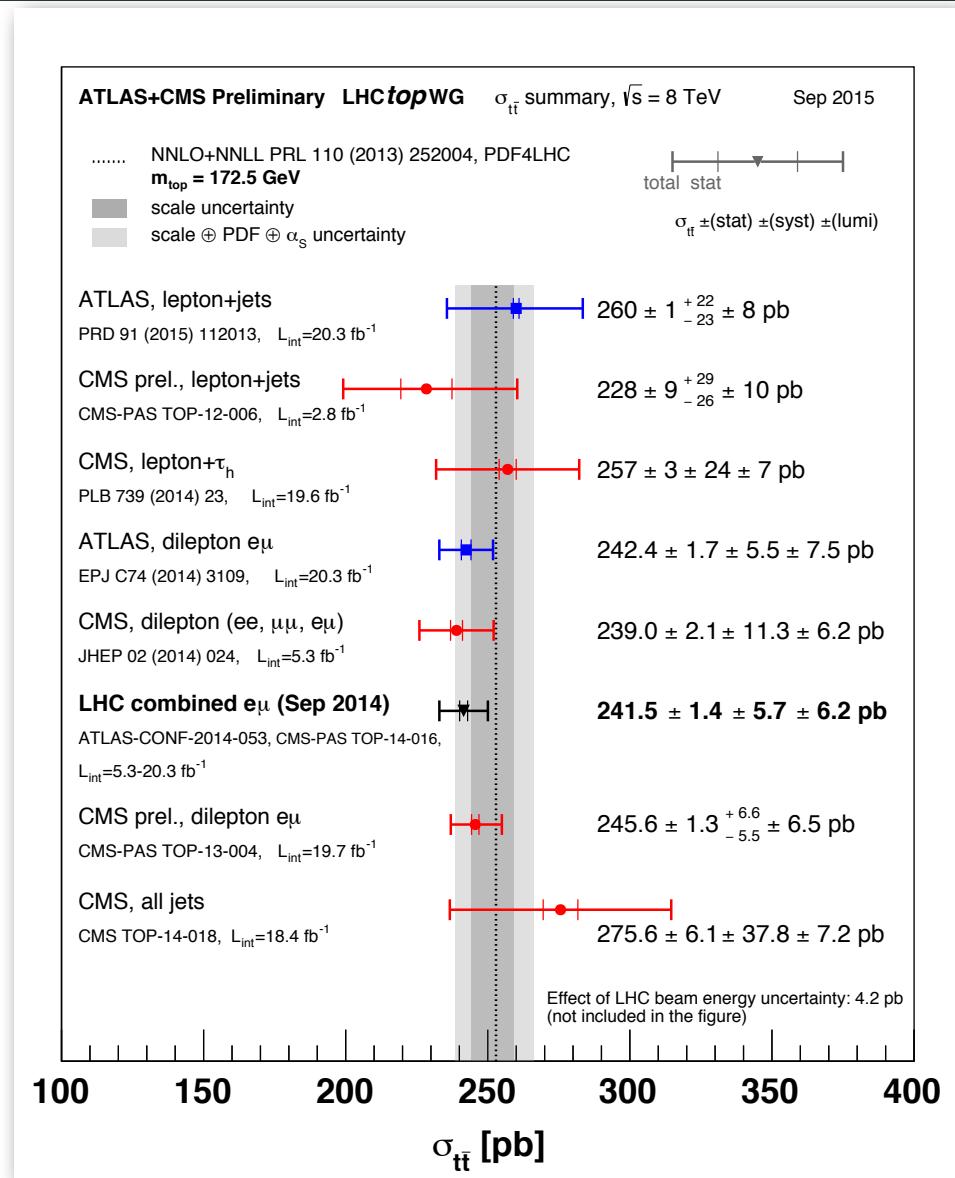
# tt total inclusive cross section at 7 TeV



3.5%

3.6%

# tt total inclusive cross section at 8 TeV

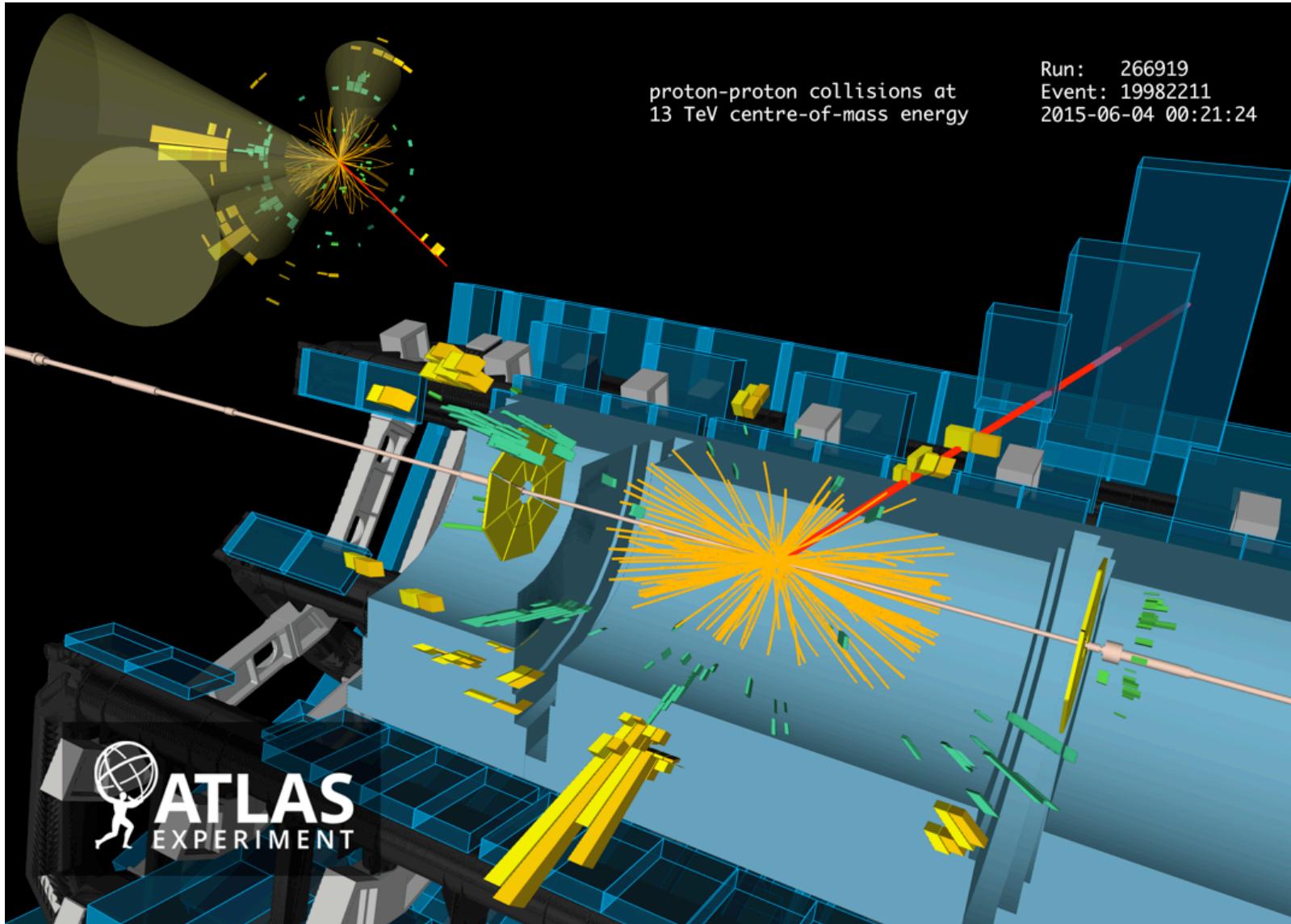


3.9%

3.5%

3.8%

# tops at 13 TeV!



# tt inclusive cross section at 13 TeV

**ATLAS**

ATLAS-CONF-2015-033

$78 \text{ pb}^{-1}$

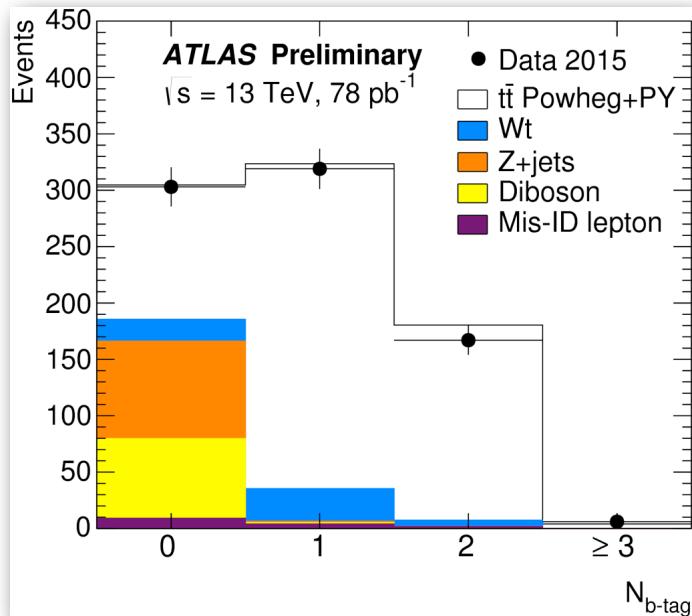
lep  $p_T > 25 \text{ GeV}$

jet  $p_T > 25 \text{ GeV}$

1 and 2 b-tags

(70% eff, 440 light jet rejection)

main background: tW single top



**CMS**

CMS PAS TOP-15-003

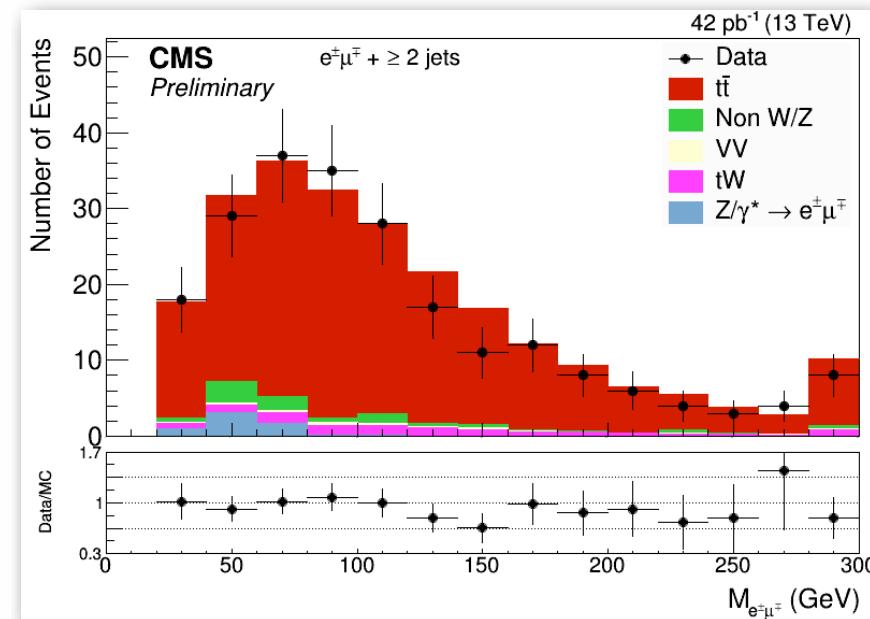
$42 \text{ pb}^{-1}$

lep  $p_T > 20 \text{ GeV}$

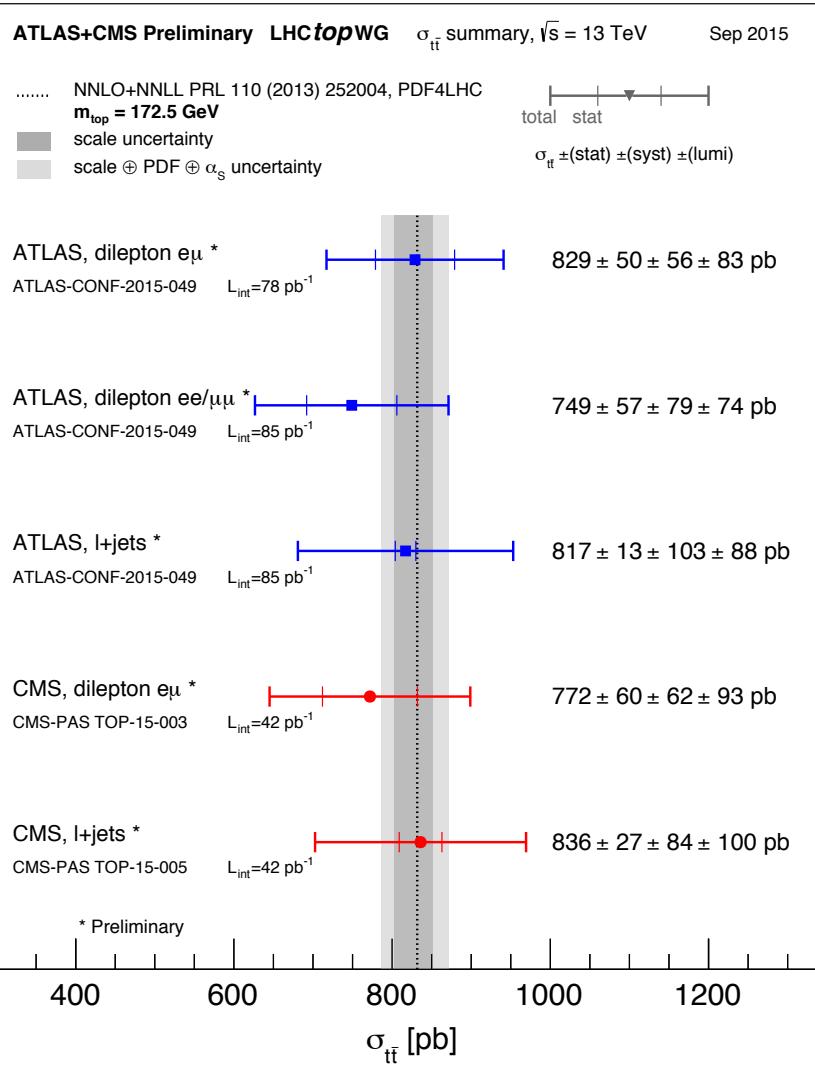
jet  $p_T > 30 \text{ GeV}$

$\geq 2 \text{jets}$

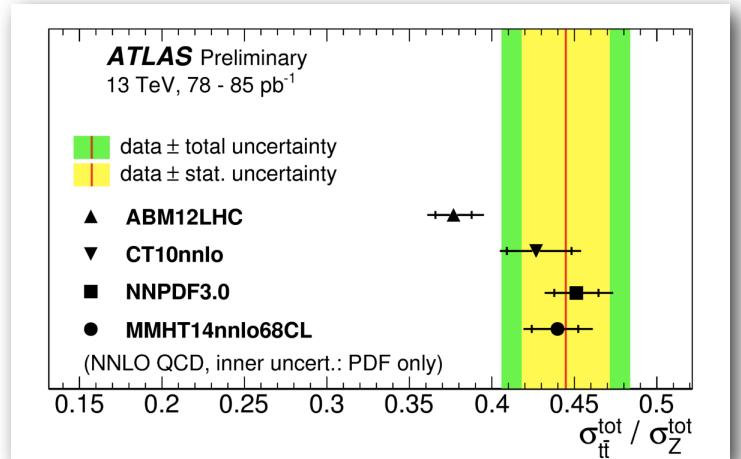
main background: tW single top  
and Non-W/Z leptons



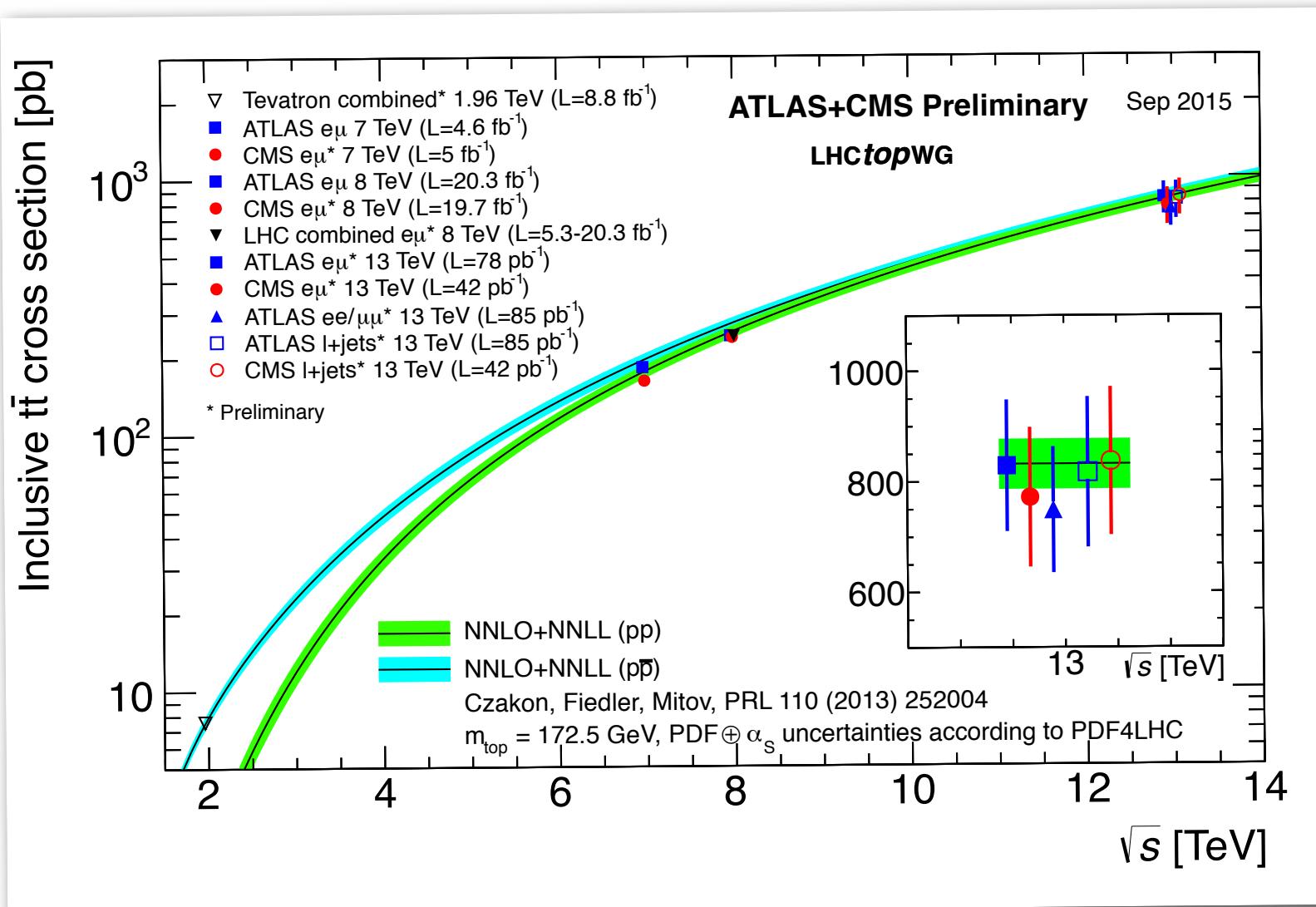
# tt total inclusive cross section at 13 TeV



$$\sigma (\text{NNLO+NNLL}) = 832^{+40}_{-46} (\text{PDF}, \alpha_s, \text{scales}) \text{ pb}$$



# tt inclusive cross section at 13 TeV

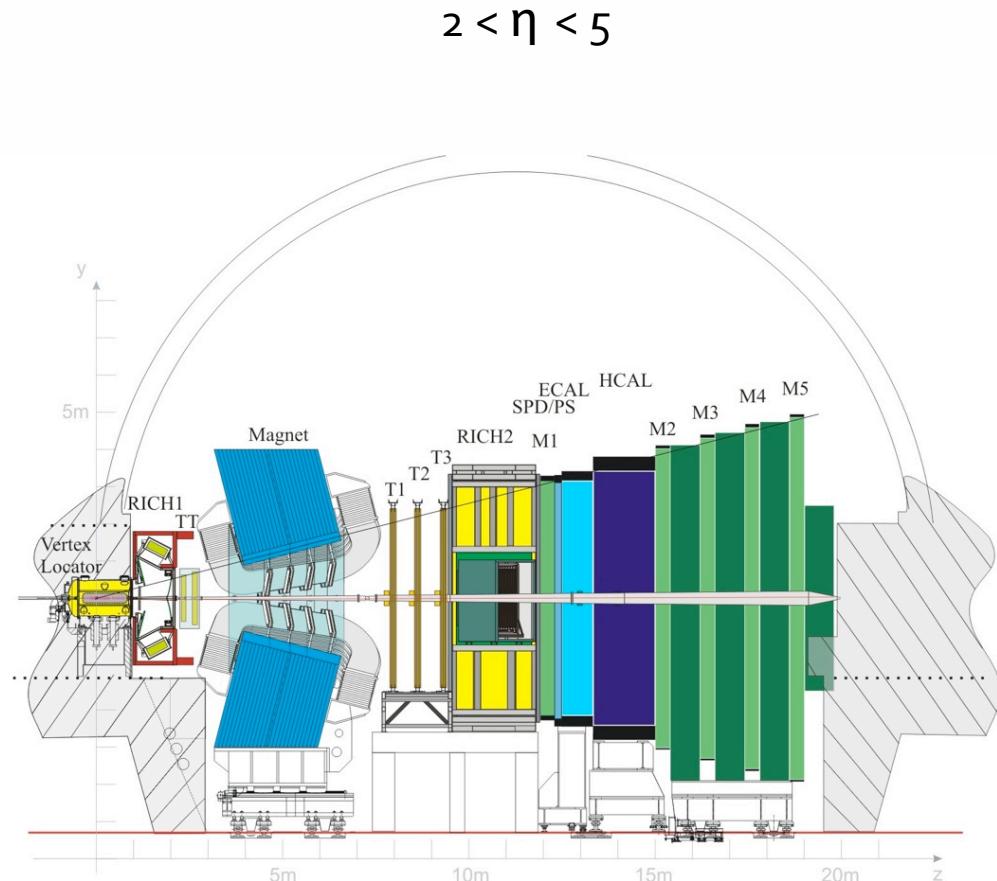


# tt production in the forward region!



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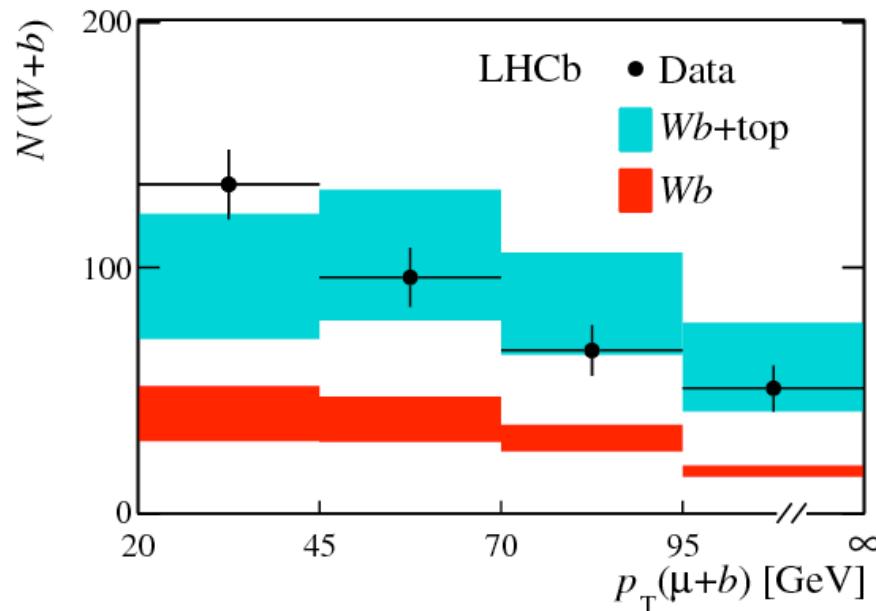
- Enhancement of qq and qg relative to gg tt production (charge asymmetry)
- Constrain gluon PDF at large x
- Muon  $p_T > 25 \text{ GeV}$ , also included in a jet ( $j_\mu$ ), jet (anti-kt R=0.5)  $50 \text{ GeV} < p_T < 100 \text{ GeV}$ , Secondary Vertex b-tagger,  $p_T(j_\mu + j) > 20 \text{ GeV}$  (dijet suppression)
- Dominant backgrounds: W+b, Z+b, bb
- W+b contributions from template fits to  $p_T(\mu)/p_T(j_\mu)$  1505.04051
- Fiducial cross sections obtained



# tt production in the forward region!



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$$\sigma_{\text{fiducial}} [7 \text{ TeV}] = 239 \pm 53 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 38 \text{ (syst.) fb}$$

$$\sigma_{\text{fiducial}} [8 \text{ TeV}] = 289 \pm 43 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 46 \text{ (syst.) fb}$$

22%

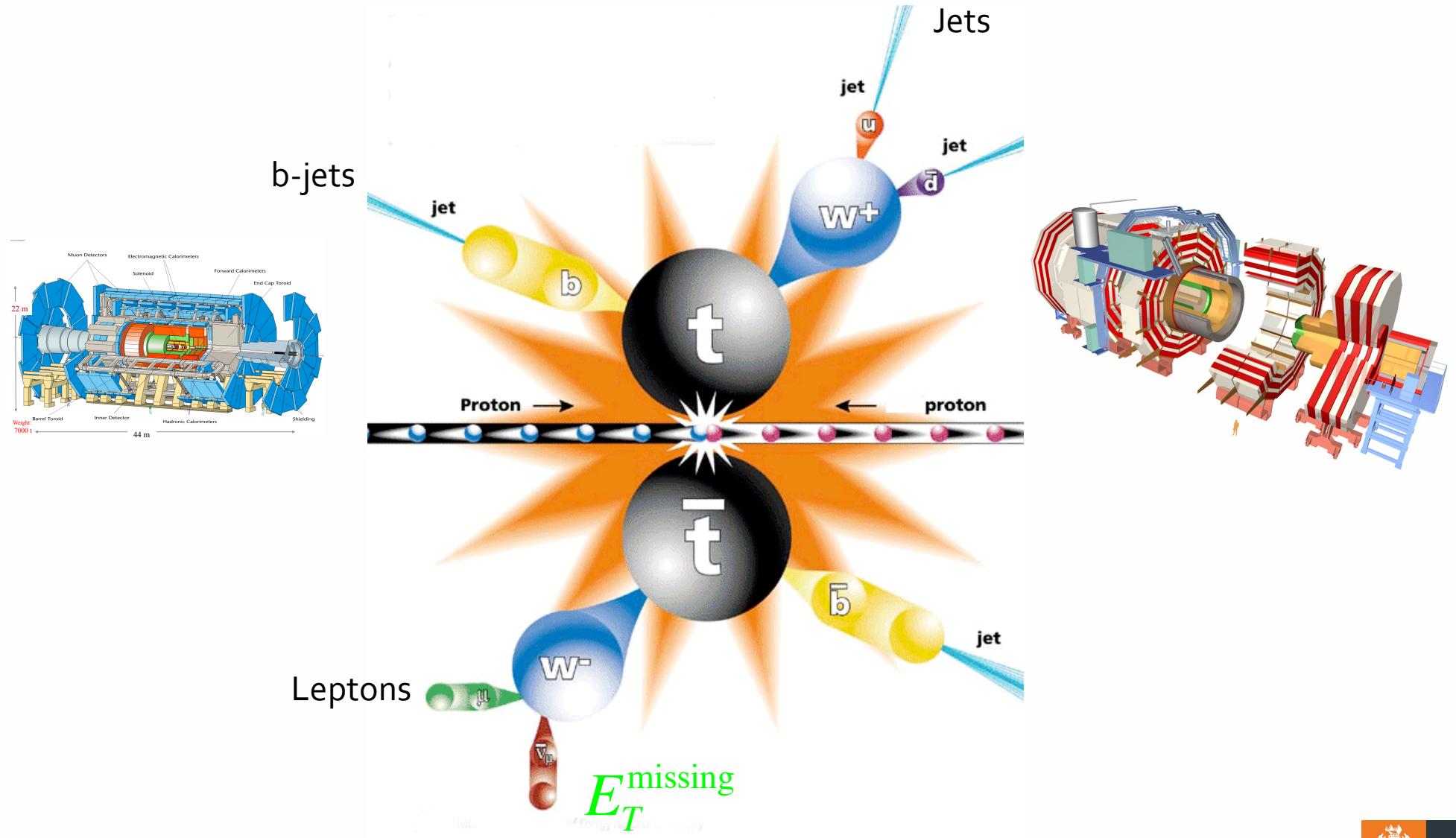
7 TeV: 1.0 fb<sup>-1</sup>8 TeV: 2.0 fb<sup>-1</sup>

$$\sigma_{\text{NLO(MCFM)}} [7 \text{ TeV}] = 180^{+51}_{-41} \text{ fb}$$

$$\sigma_{\text{NLO(MCFM)}} [8 \text{ TeV}] = 312^{+83}_{-68} \text{ fb}$$

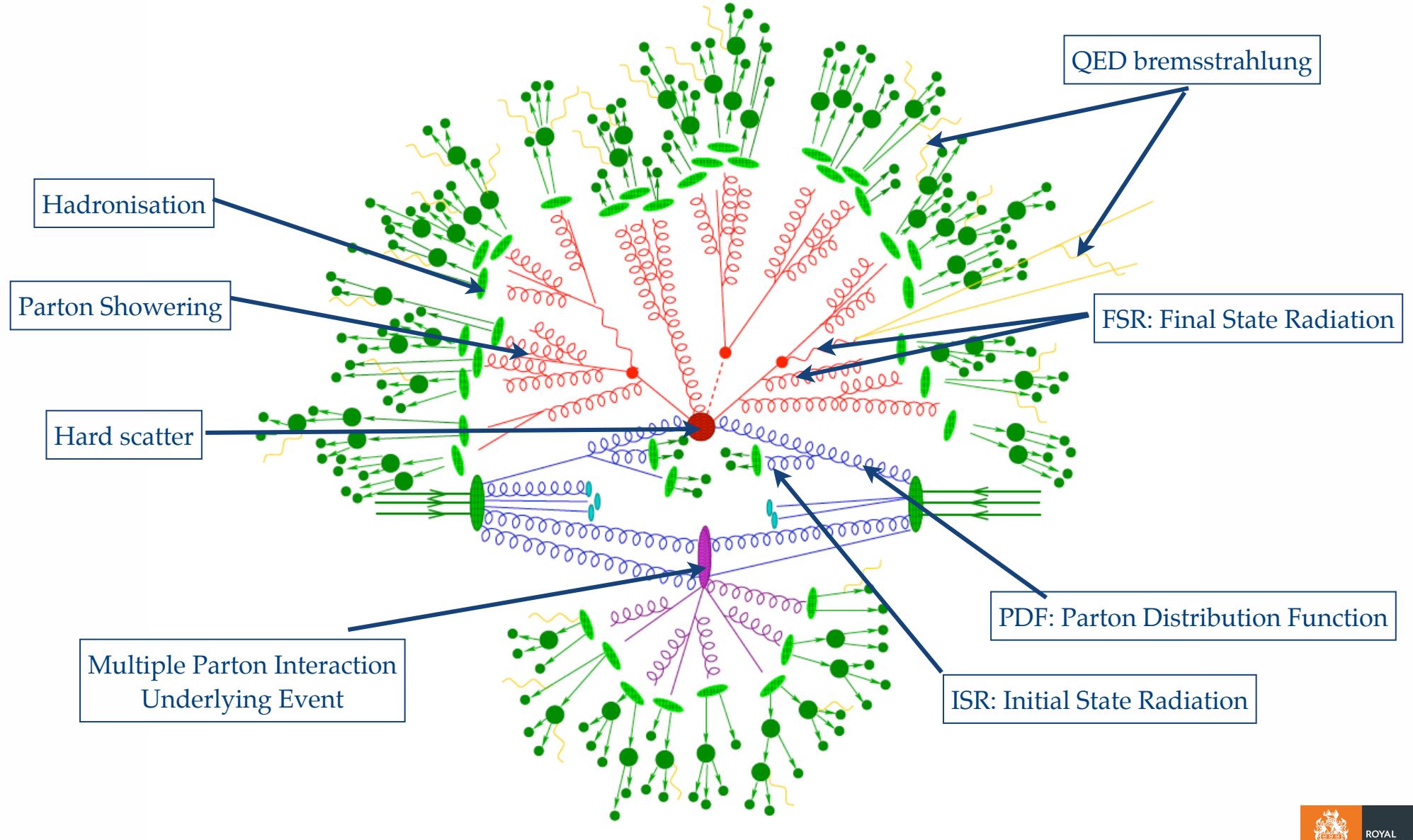
# Top anti-top differential cross-sections

# From experiment...



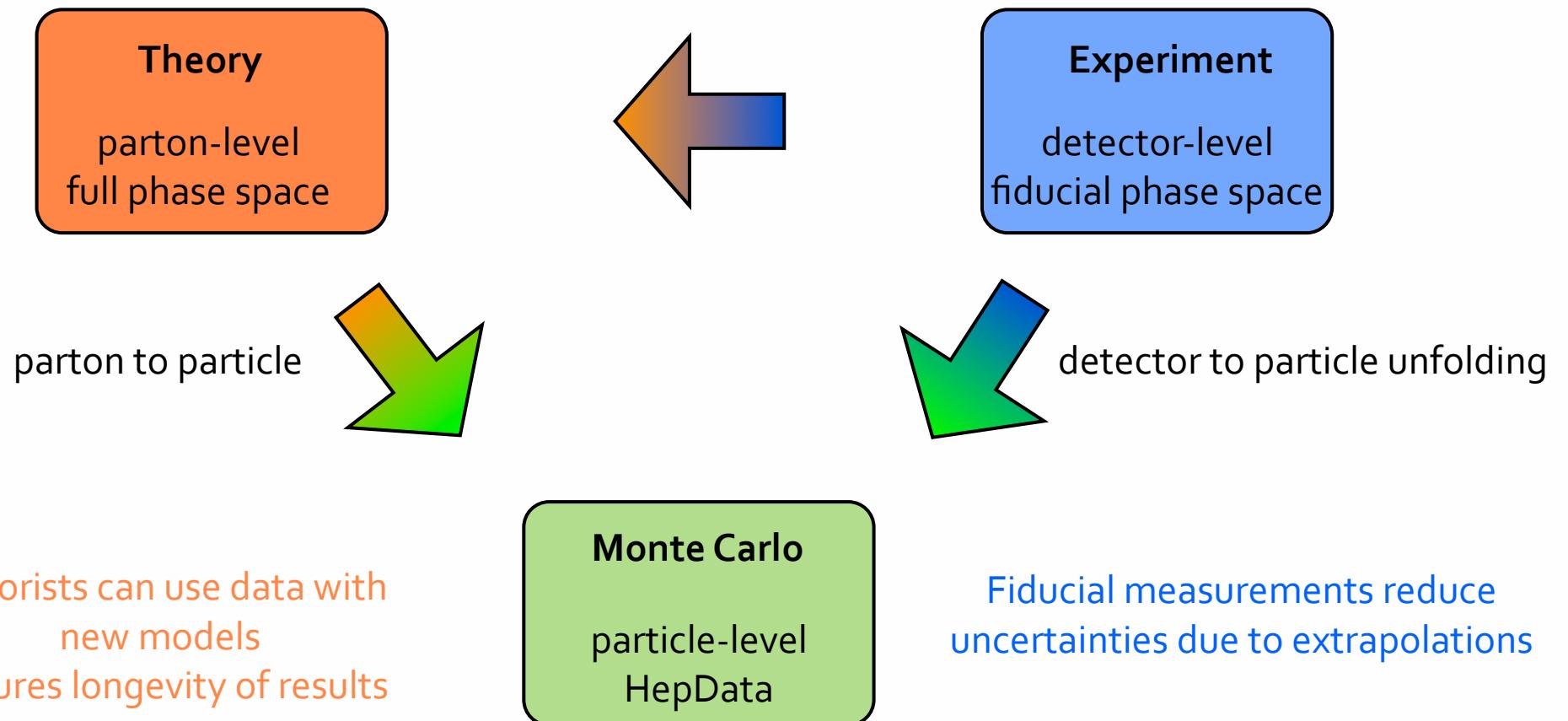
... to theory...

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# ... connecting the two:

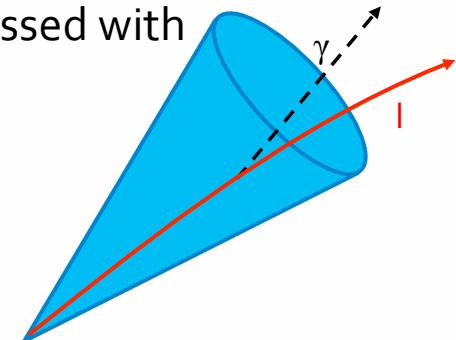
detector to parton unfolding



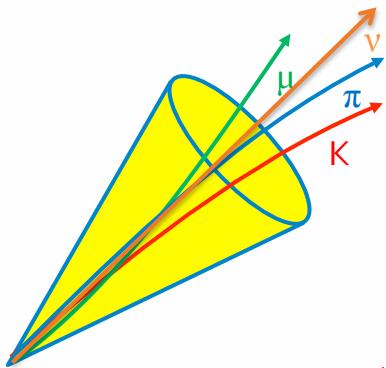
# Particle-level objects

ATLAS and CMS  
differ in detailed  
definitions

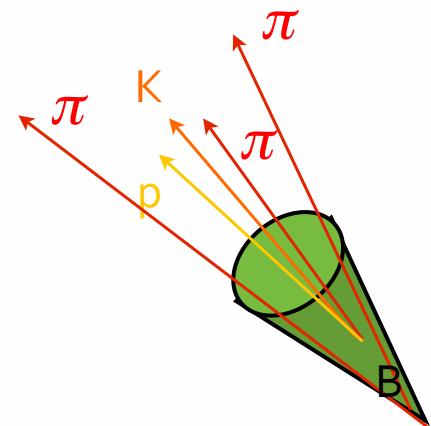
Charged leptons (not from hadrons) are dressed with  
the energy from nearby photons



Jets are clustered from stable MC  
particles using anti- $k_t$  algorithm



$ET_{\text{miss}}$  calculated from the sum of all other  
neutrinos



b-jets defined by a jet containing a b-quark hadron

# Differential tt cross section at 8 TeV

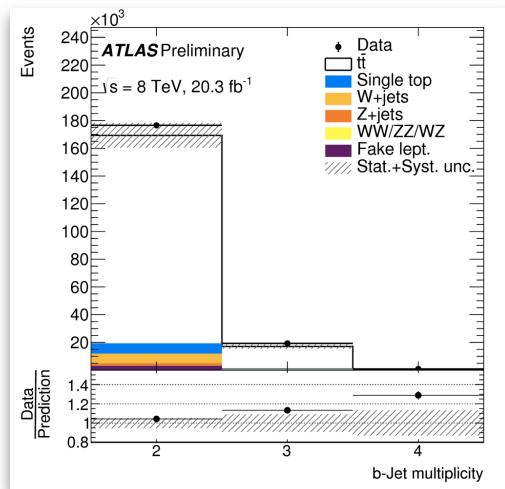


## ATLAS

TOPQ-2015-06  
 lepton+jets  
 $\text{lep } p_T > 25\text{GeV}$   
 $\geq 4 \text{ jets } p_T > 25\text{GeV}$   
 $\geq 2 \text{ b-jets}$

main backgrounds: tW single top and W+jets

Pseudo-top reconstruction  
 Fiducial particle-level results  
 and Parton full phase space results

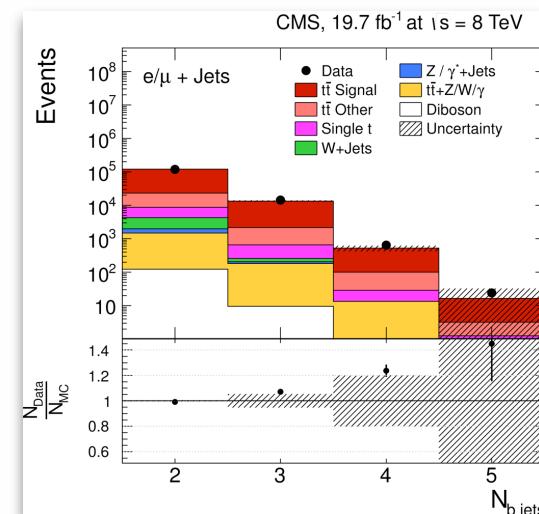


## CMS

1505.04480  
 lepton+jets and (dilepton)  
 $1(2)\text{lep } p_T > 33\text{ GeV}$   
 $\geq 4(2) \text{ jets } p_T > 30\text{GeV}$   
 $\geq 2(1) \text{ b-jets}$

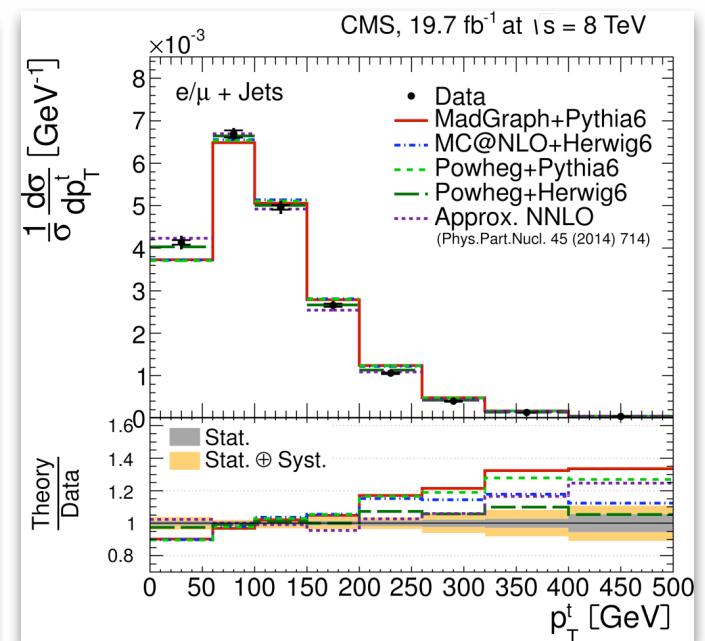
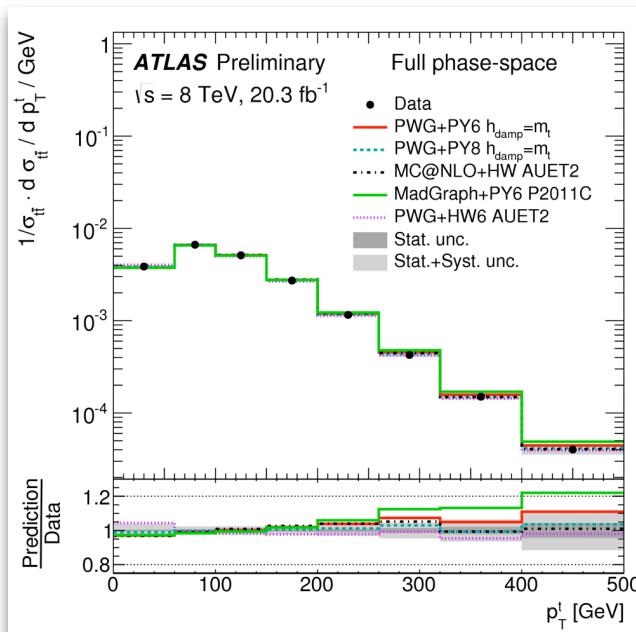
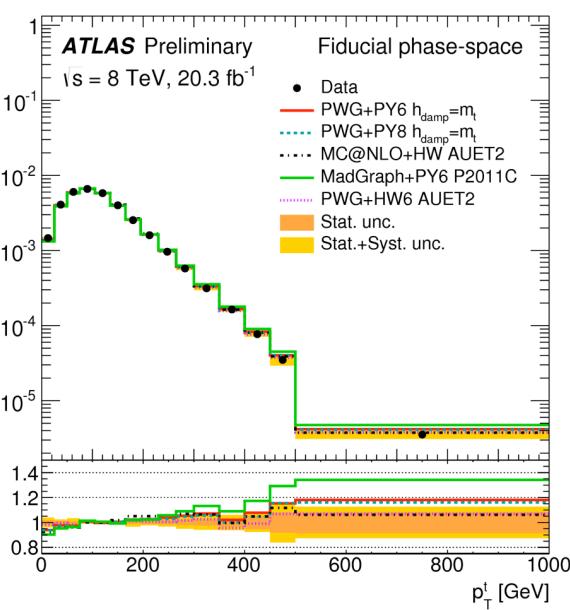
main backgrounds: other tt and single top

Performant kinematic fitting  
 Fiducial results for detector-level variables  
 parton full phase space results for nominal variables



# Differential tt cross section at 8 TeV

- same binning between ATLAS and CMS for full phase space (to help with comparisons and discussions within LHCTop WG)
- top  $p_T$  simulations still show a harder spectrum than the data (Madgraph is worse for both ATLAS and CMS)



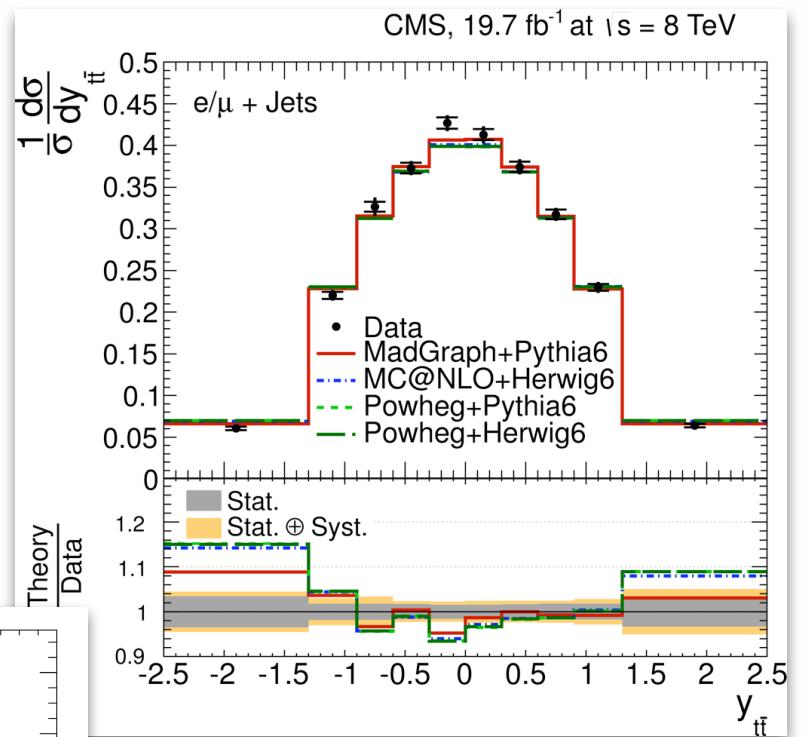
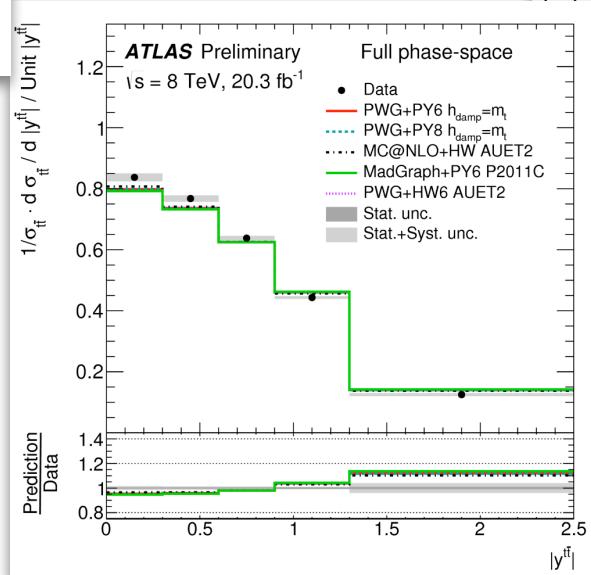
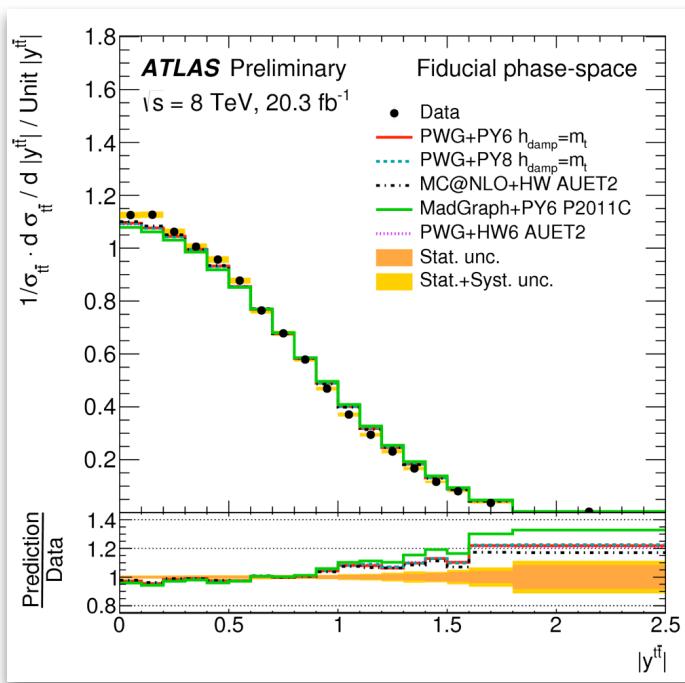
TOPQ-2015-06

variables: top:  $p_T, y$   
 tt:  $p_T, y, m, \Delta\Phi$   
 QCD-like (tt):  $p_{\text{out}}, y_{\text{boost}}, \chi, H_T, R_{\text{Wt}}$

1505.04480

variables: lepton and b:  $p_T, \eta$   
 bb:  $p_T, m$   
 top:  $p_T, y, p_T^*, p_{T1}, p_{T2}$   
 tt:  $p_T, y, m, \Delta\Phi$

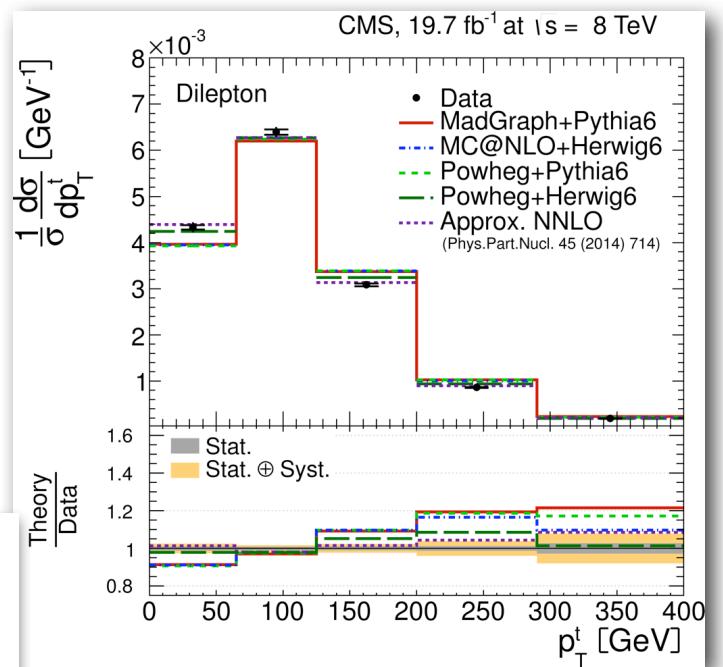
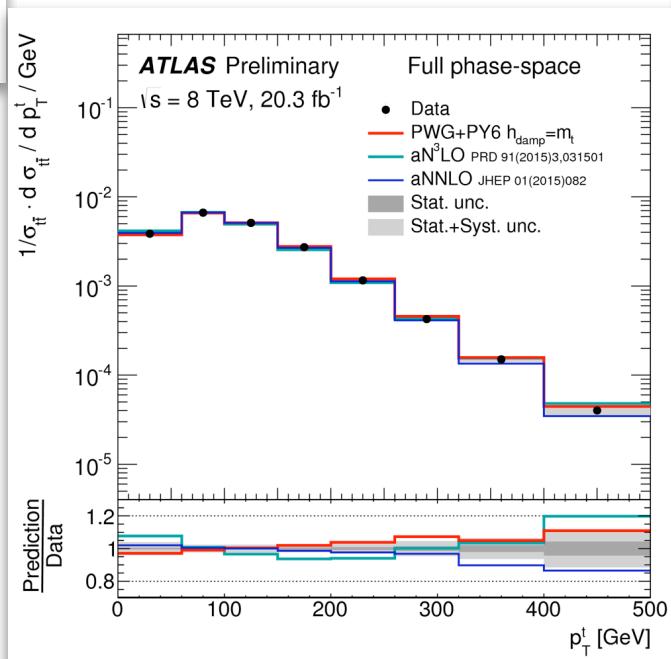
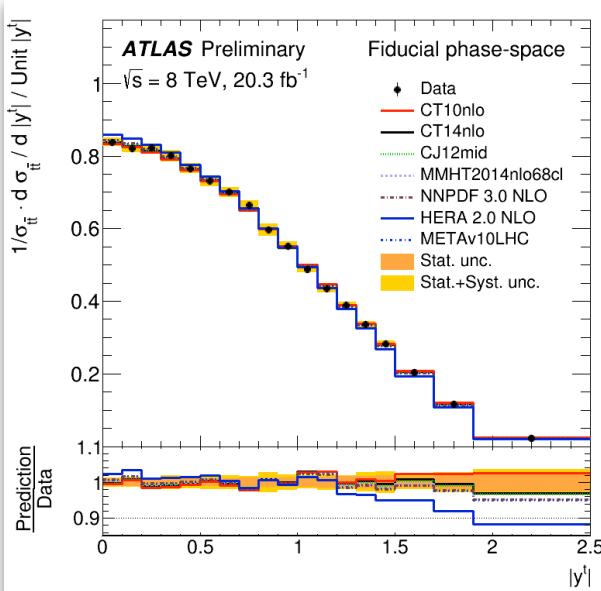
# Differential $t\bar{t}$ cross section at 8 TeV



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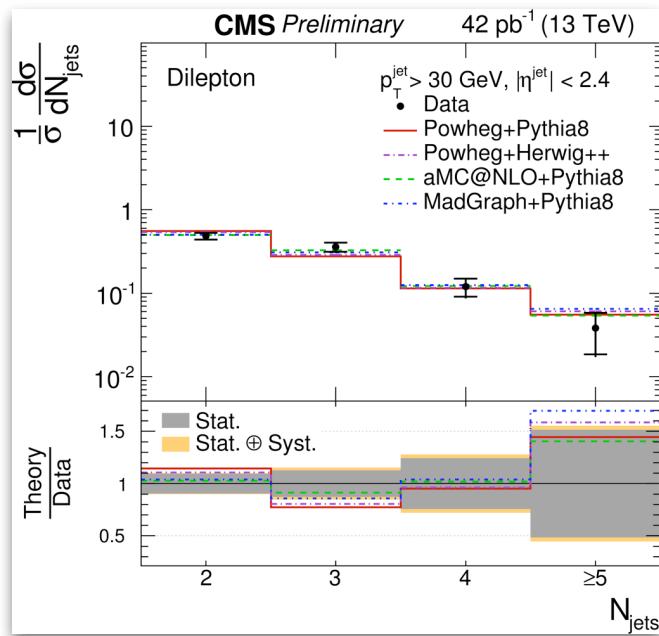
# Differential tt cross section at 13 TeV



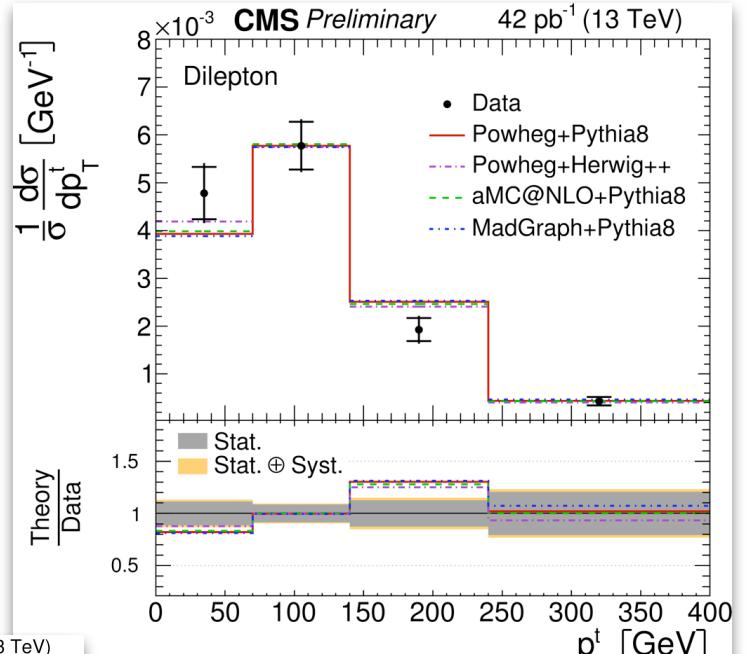
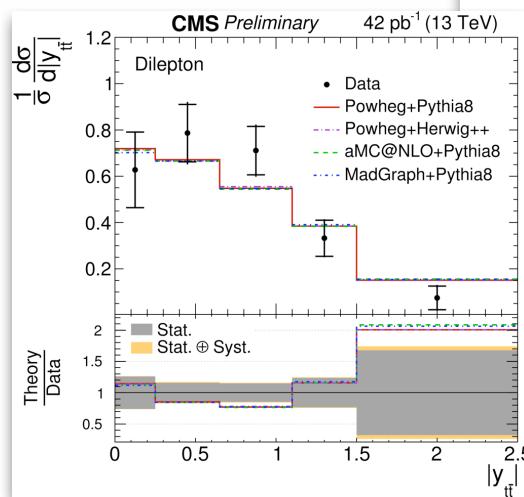
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- Similar object selection as 13 TeV inclusive analysis and same top reconstruction and unfolding method as 8 TeV analysis

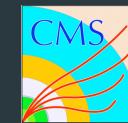


particle level fiducial phase space



variables: Njets  
top:  $p_T, y$   
tt:  $p_T, y, m$

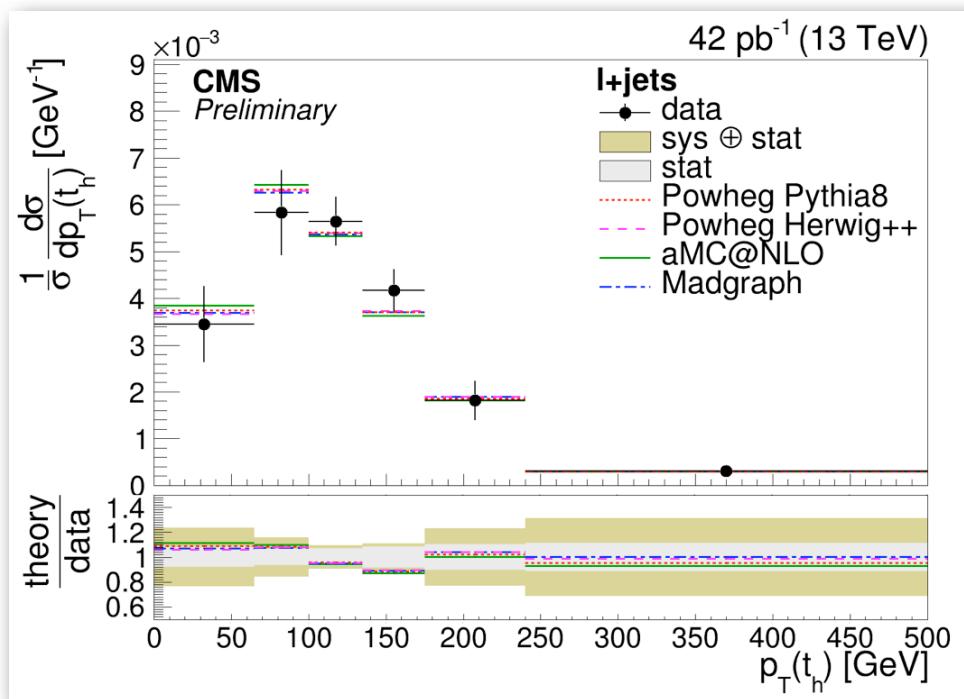
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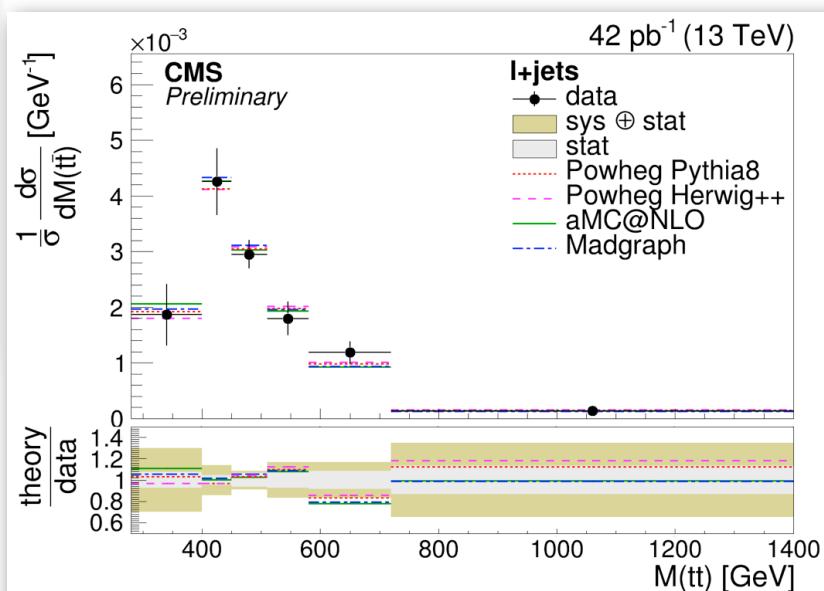
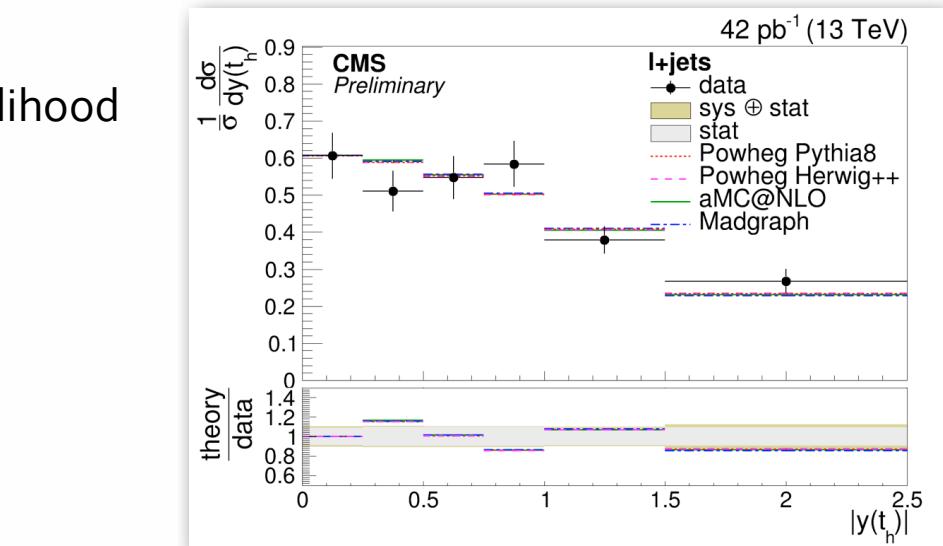
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- lepton+jets selection
- top reconstruction using highest likelihood  
permutation: 49% correct

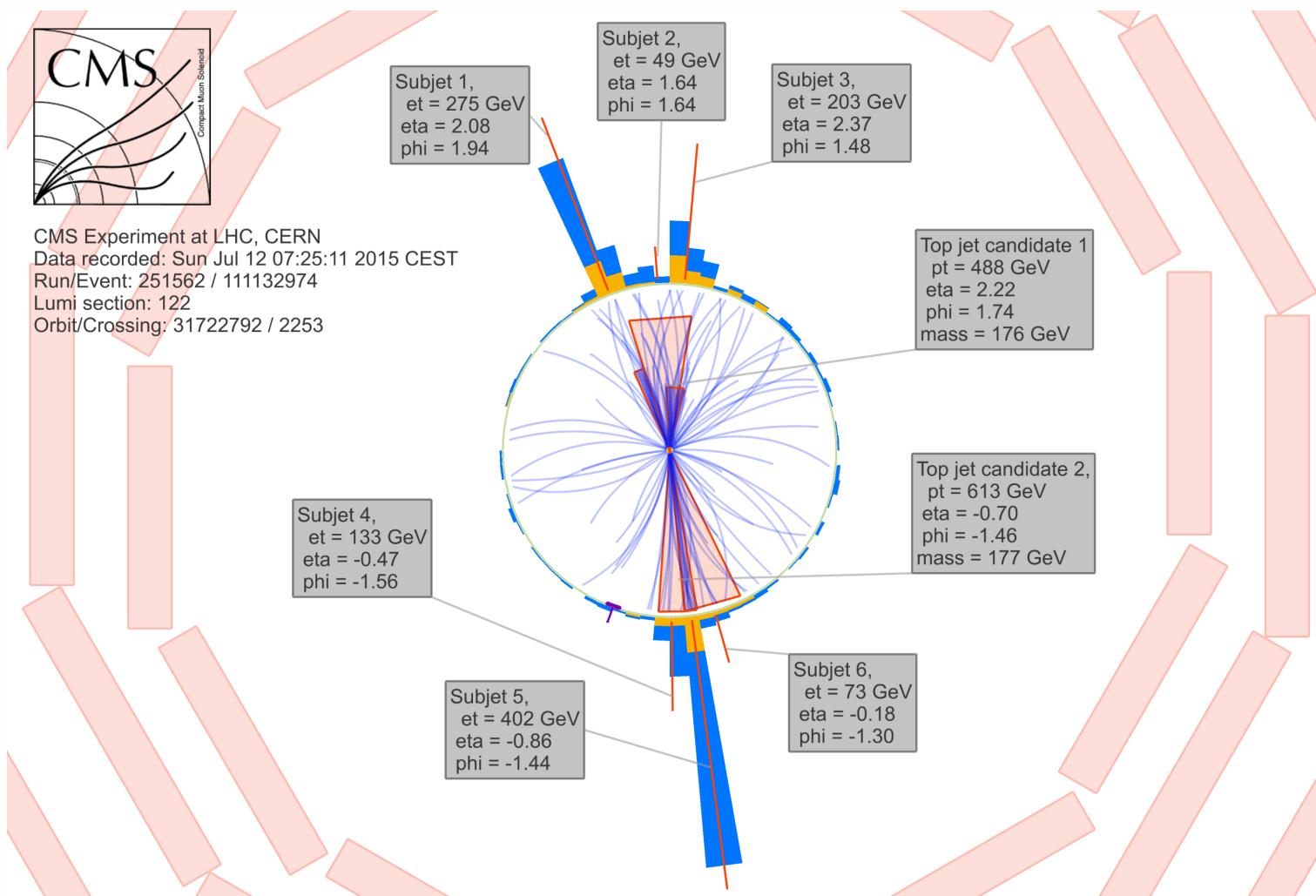


variables: Njets  
top:  $p_T(l,h)$ ,  $y(l,h)$   
tt:  $p_T$ ,  $y$ ,  $m$

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# Boosted tops at 13 TeV!

A boosted top quark has high  $p_T$  ( $\sim >400$  GeV) and its decay products are collimated into a large  $R \sim 1.0$  jet



# tt differential cross section using boosted tops at 8 TeV

**ATLAS**

TOPQ-2014-15

lepton+jets

lep  $p_T > 25\text{ GeV}$

$\geq 1$  anti-kt R=0.4 jet  $p_T > 25\text{ GeV}$

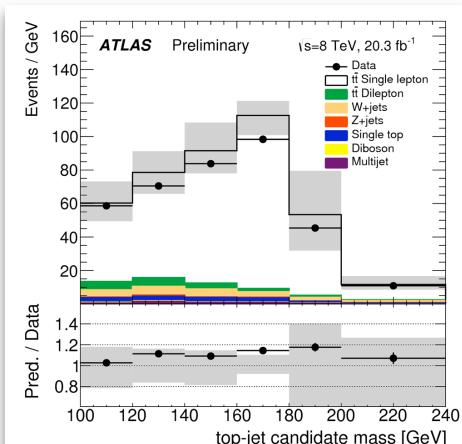
(same hem. as lepton)

anti-kt R=1.0, trimmed, m>100GeV

hadronic top  $p_T > 300\text{ GeV}$

main backgrounds: tt dil, W+jets, single top

Fiducial particle-level results  
and Parton full phase space results



**CMS**

CMS PAS TOP-14-012

lepton+jets

e (mu)  $p_T > 45(35)\text{ GeV}$  and  $|\eta| < 2.1(2.5)$

$\geq 1$  anti-kt R=0.5 jet  $p_T > 30\text{ GeV}$

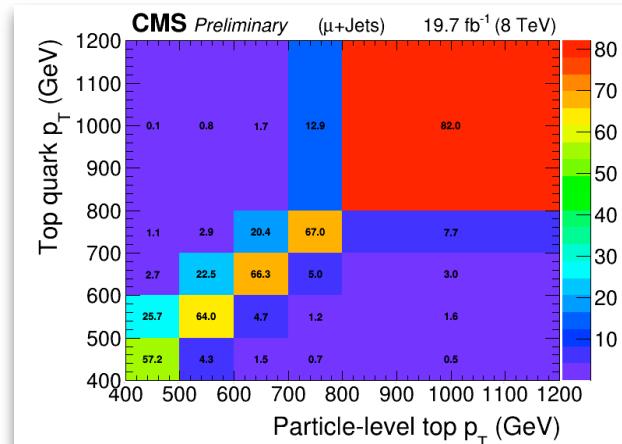
(same hem as lepton)

Cambridge-Aachen R=0.8, TopTagged

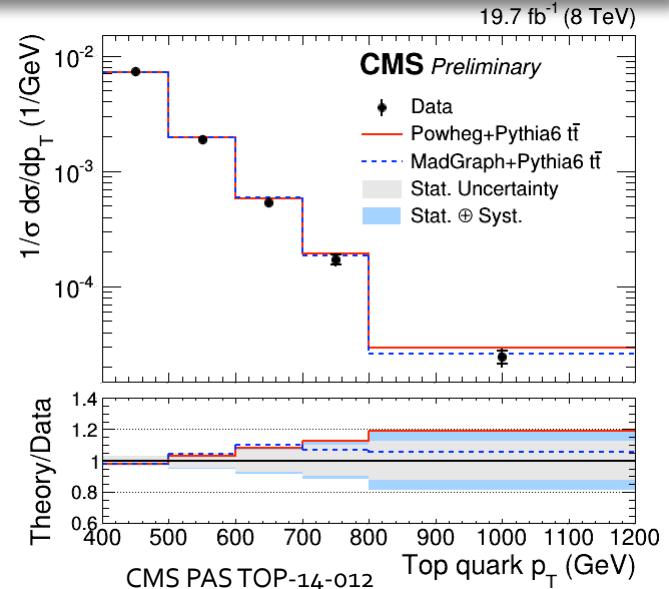
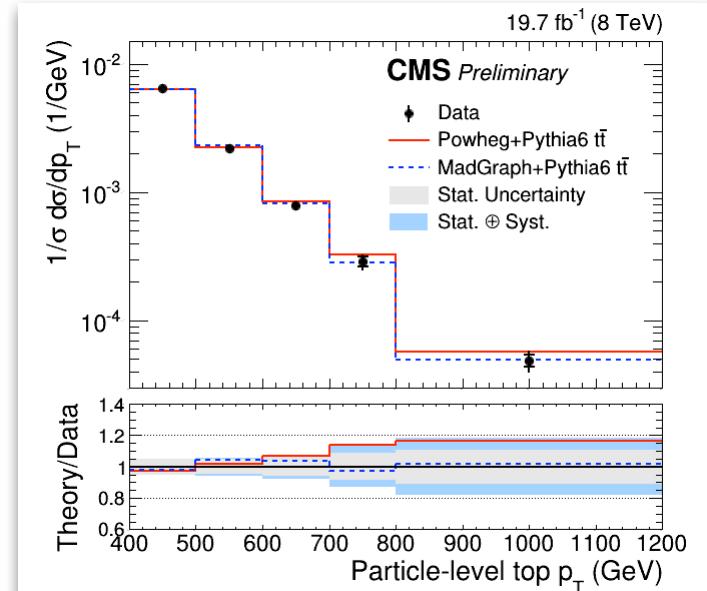
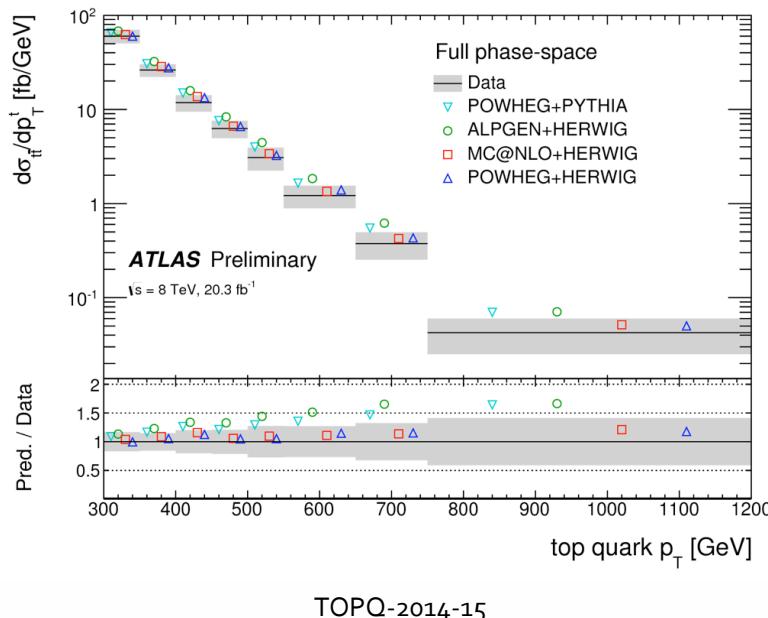
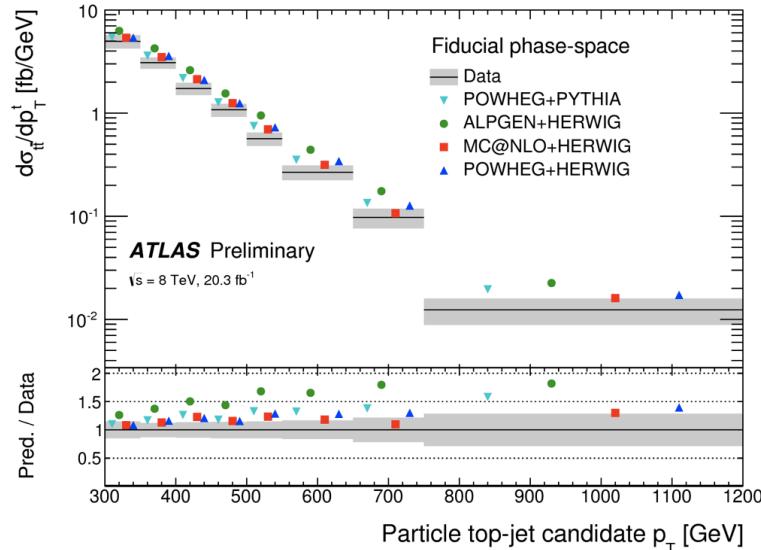
hadronic top  $p_T > 400\text{ GeV}$

main backgrounds: single top and W+jets

background enriched: ot, 1t+ob, signal: 1t+1b  
Fiducial particle-level and parton full phase space for top  $p_T$

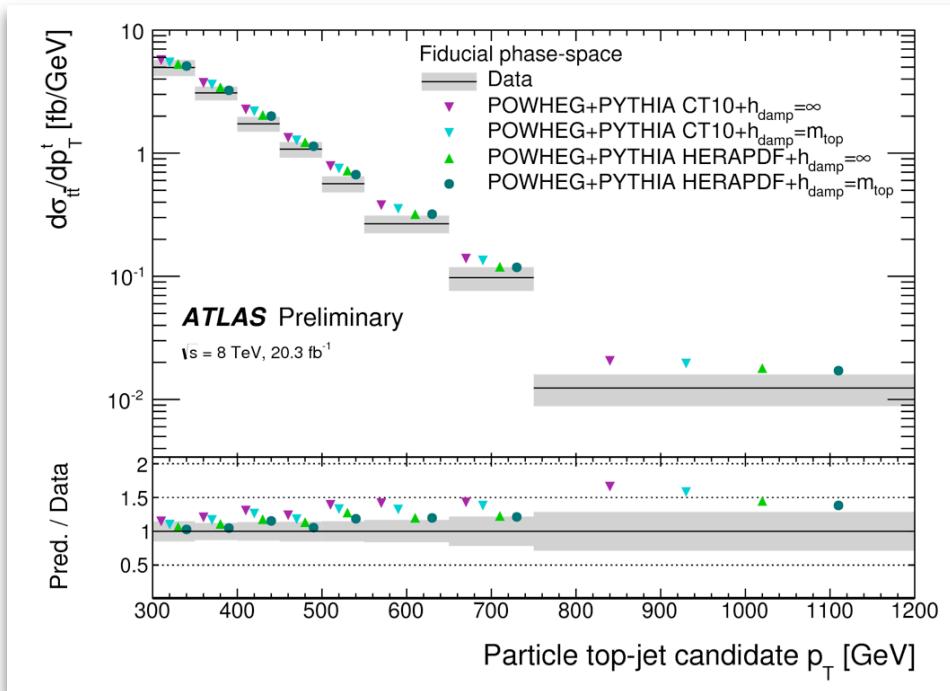


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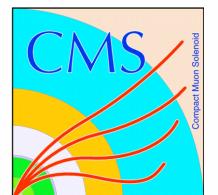
## Particle level

$$\sigma(p_T^{top} > 400 \text{ GeV}) = 1.28 \pm 0.09 \text{ (stat.+syst.)} \pm 0.10 \text{ (PDF)} \pm 0.09 \text{ ( $Q^2$ )} \pm 0.03 \text{ (lumi.) pb} \quad \text{POWHEG: } 1.49 \text{ pb}$$

## Parton level

$$\sigma(p_T^{top} > 400 \text{ GeV}) = 1.44 \pm 0.10 \text{ (stat.+syst.)} \pm 0.13 \text{ (PDF)} \pm 0.15 \text{ ( $Q^2$ )} \pm 0.04 \text{ (lumi.) pb} \quad \text{POWHEG: } 1.67 \text{ pb}$$

14% difference



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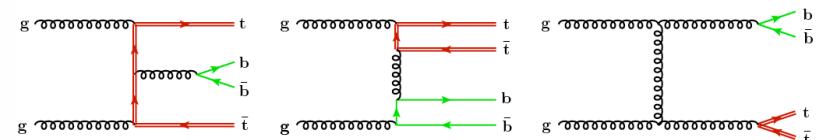
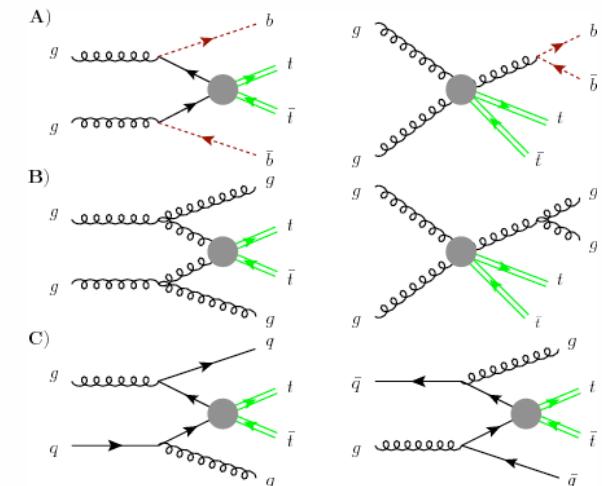
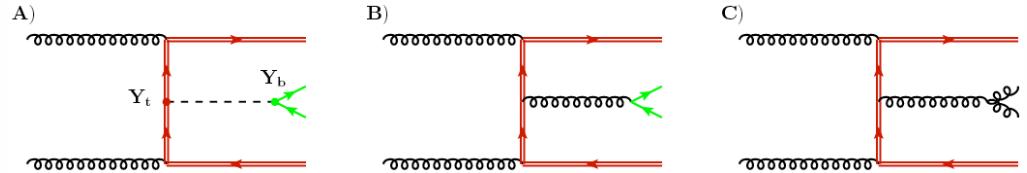


$t\bar{t} + b\bar{b}$  cross sections

# tt+b jets cross sections at 8 TeV

- Additional b-jets can come from hard scatter ( $tt + N$  partons from the NLO generator) or from parton shower (Pythia, Herwig)
- Current such pQCD fixed-order calculations at NLO suffer from significant uncertainties from missing higher-order terms
- irreducible background to  $ttH(->bb)$ !
- Measurements are done using particle-level and fiducial phase space

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# tt+b jet(s) cross sections at 8 TeV



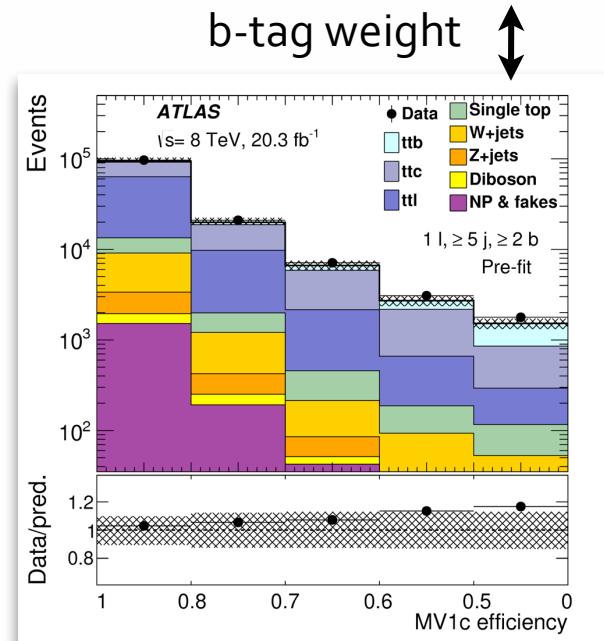
Physics



**lepton+jets and dilepton ( $\mu\mu$ ) tt+b**  
 lepton  $p_T > 25$  GeV  
 jets  $p_T > 20$  GeV:  $\geq 5$  l+jets,  $\geq 3$  dil  
 $\geq 3$  b-jets

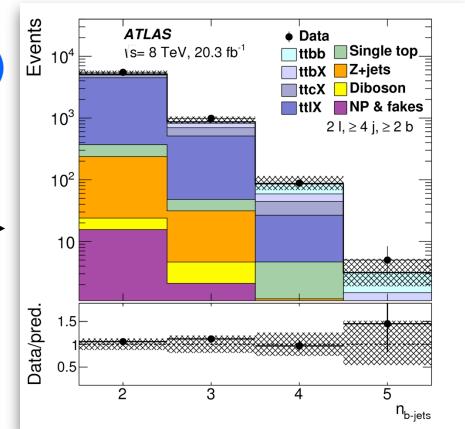
## Measurement Strategy

Profile likelihood template fit to b-tag MVA  
 discriminant of the jet with the 3rd highest



### dilepton tt+bb (cut based)

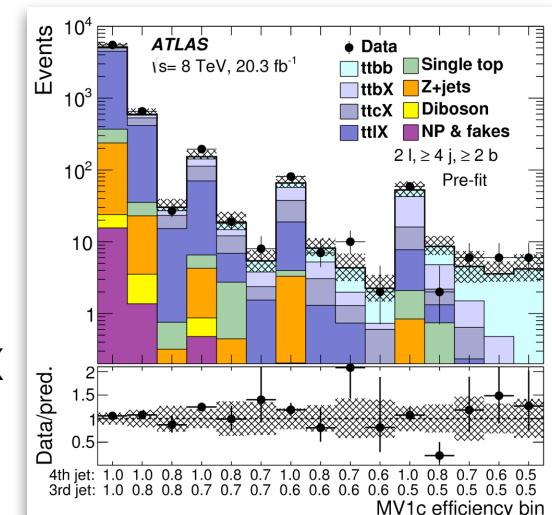
2 leptons  $p_T > 25$  GeV  
 jets  $p_T > 20$  GeV:  $\geq 4$   
 $\geq 4$  b-jets  
 $\text{ttbb} = 68\%$  of selection



### dilepton tt+bb (fit based)

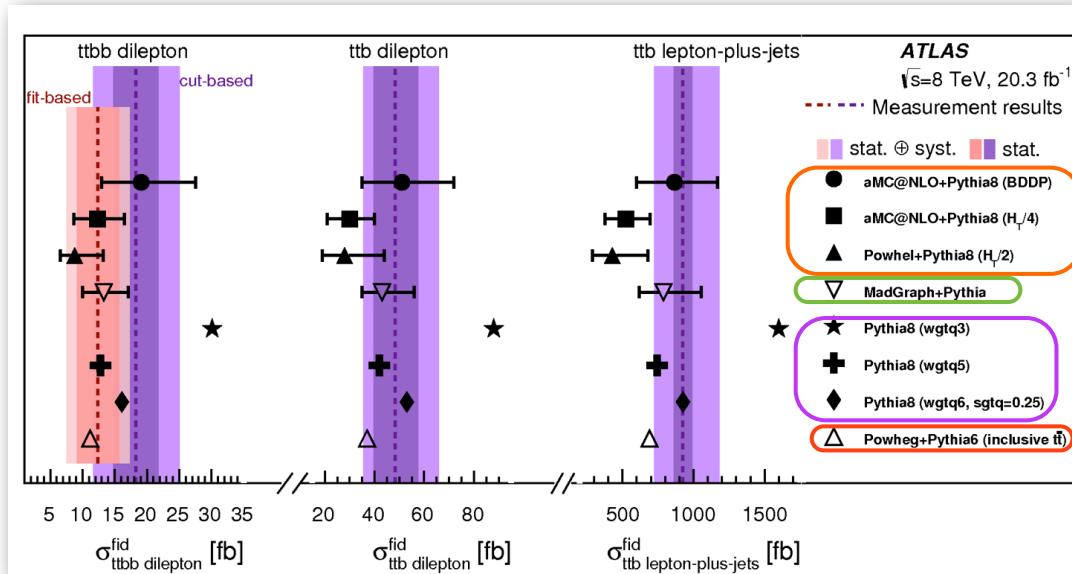
2 leptons  $p_T > 25$  GeV  
 jets  $p_T > 20$  GeV:  $\geq 4$   
 $\geq 2$  b-jets

Template Fit for ttbb, ttbX, ttc, ttlX





# tt+b jet(s) cross sections at 8 TeV



tt+bb@NLO

tt+bb@LO+PS

tt+bb from PS with different splittings

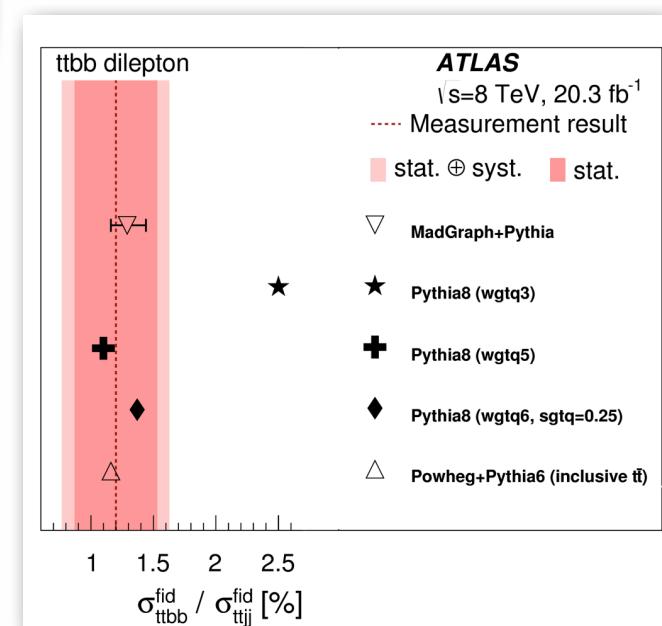
tt+b@NLO, tt+bb from PS

$$\sigma_{\text{fid, lepton+jets}} = 950 \pm 70 \text{ (stat.)} {}^{+240}_{-190} \text{ (syst.) fb}$$

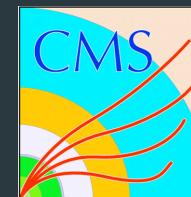
26%

$$\sigma_{\text{fid.}} = 720 \text{ fb}$$

PowhegBox+Py6  
 Helac(ttH)  
 MadGraph5(ttV)



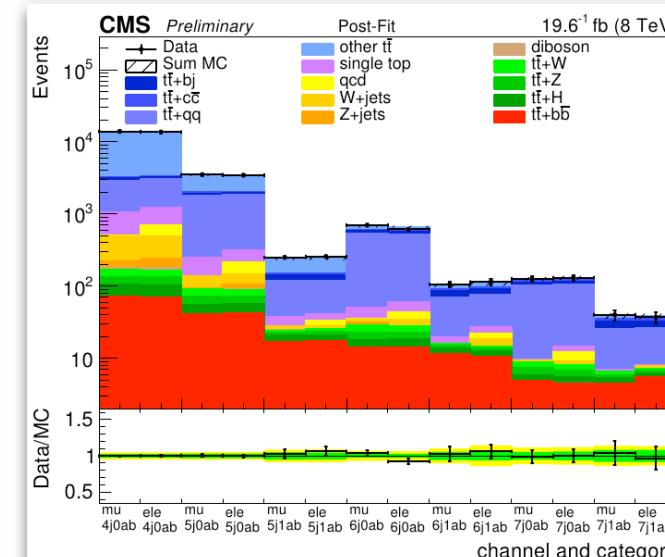
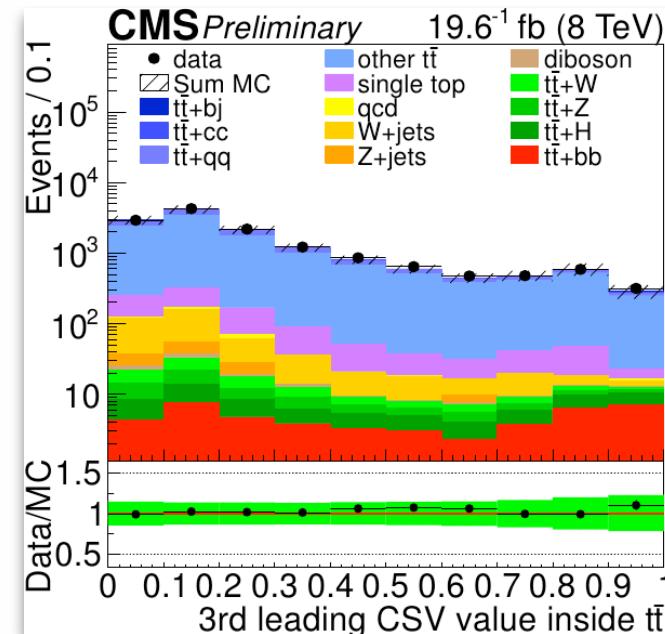
# tt+b jet(s) cross sections at 8 TeV



Physics

- lepton+jets:
  - lepton  $p_T > 30$  GeV
  - $\geq 4$  jets with  $p_T > 50$  GeV
  - $\geq 2$  b-jets (CSV at 70%)
- Reconstruction of top pairs:
  - 1. kinematic fit
  - 2. separation of correct vs wrong combinations using BDTG
  - 3. use b-tag information
- correct assignment:
  - ttjj: 78% ( $N_j=4$ )
  - ttbb: 75% ( $N_j=4$ )
- Get cross section from 13 template fits for each number of jet category and lepton category

	$\sigma(ttb)$	$\sigma(ttjj)$	$\sigma(ttb)/\sigma(ttjj)$
fiducial	$271 \text{ fb} \pm 40\%$	$23.1 \text{ pb} \pm 16\%$	$0.012 \pm 34\%$
Madgraph+Pythia	$174 \text{ fb} \pm 28\%$	$24.3 \text{ pb} \pm 20\%$	$0.007 \pm 10\%$
NLO (1403.2046)	$229 \text{ fb}^{+18\%}_{-24\%}$	$21.0 \text{ pb}^{+15\%}_{-13\%}$	$0.011^{+39\%}_{-13\%}$

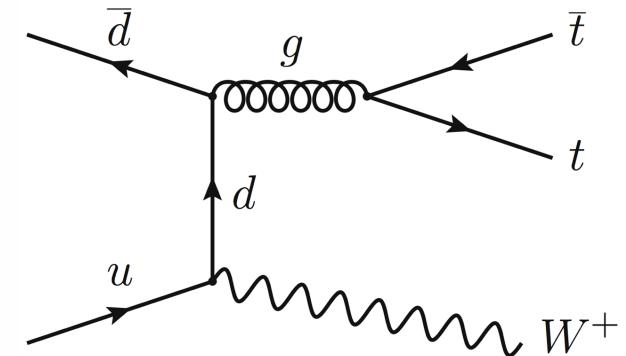
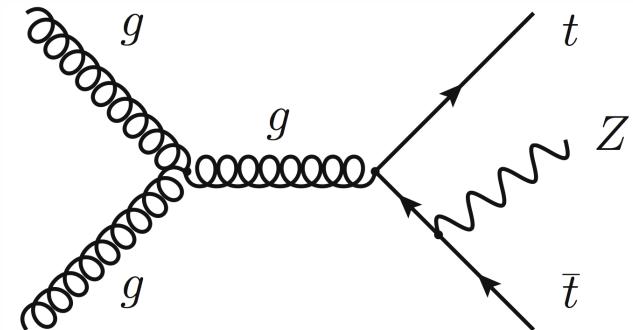


$t\bar{t}W$ ,  $t\bar{t}Z$  cross sections

# ttW, ttZ cross sections at 8 TeV

- top-Z couplings never measured and modified from SM in extensions like Technicolour or scenarios with a strongly coupled Higgs sector
- ttZ, tt $\gamma$ , ttH: direct couplings to bosons
- ttW: source of SS dilepton events: signatures of many BSM models
- ttZ and ttW: modified by additional dimension-six operators in the Lagrangian
- ttZ at 7 TeV by CMS: twice the SM value (large uncertainties)

- 2 OS leptons: ttZ (CMS), ttZ and ttW (ATLAS)
- 2 SS leptons: ttW
- 3 leptons: ttZ and ttW
- 4 leptons: ttZ

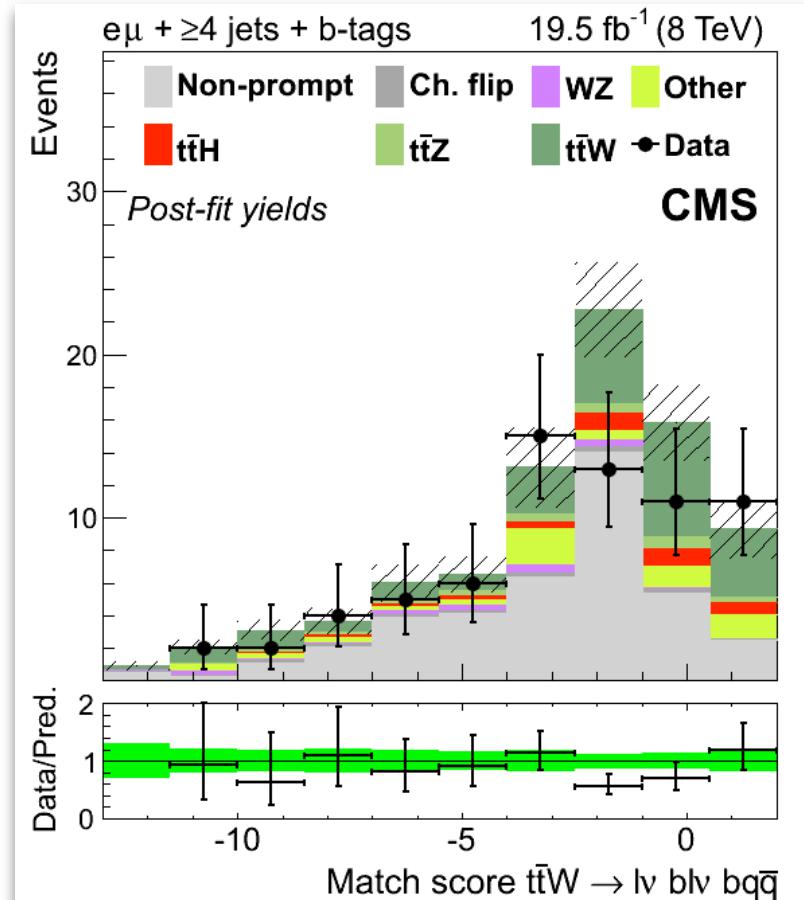


# ttW, ttZ cross sections at 8 TeV



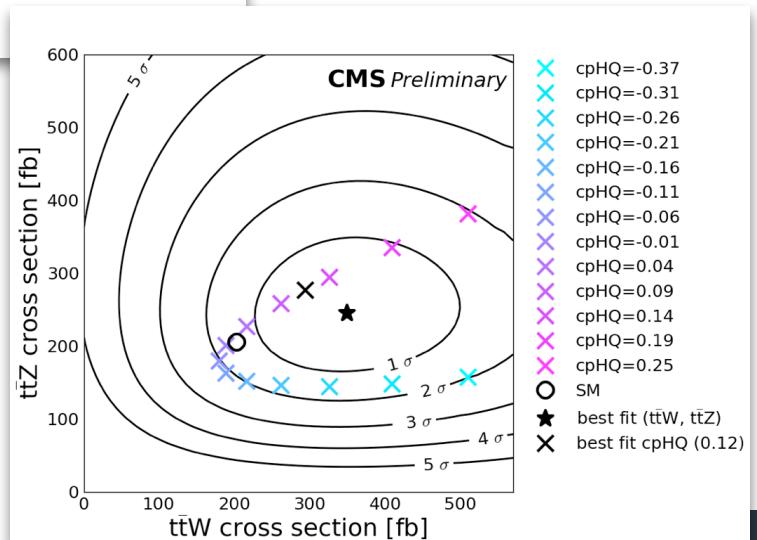
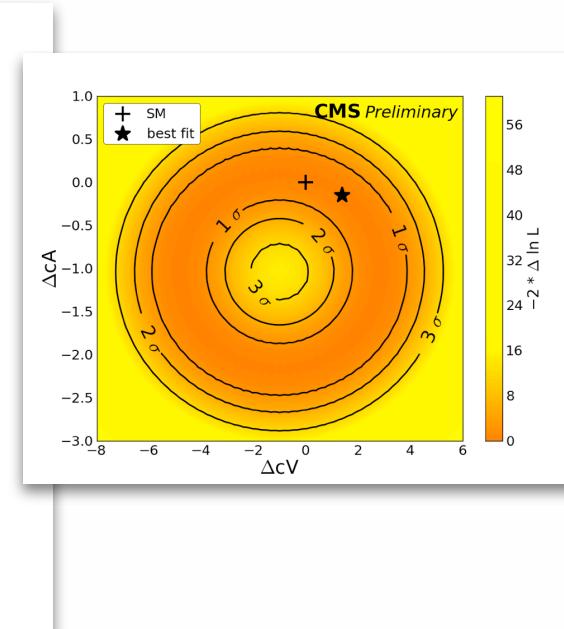
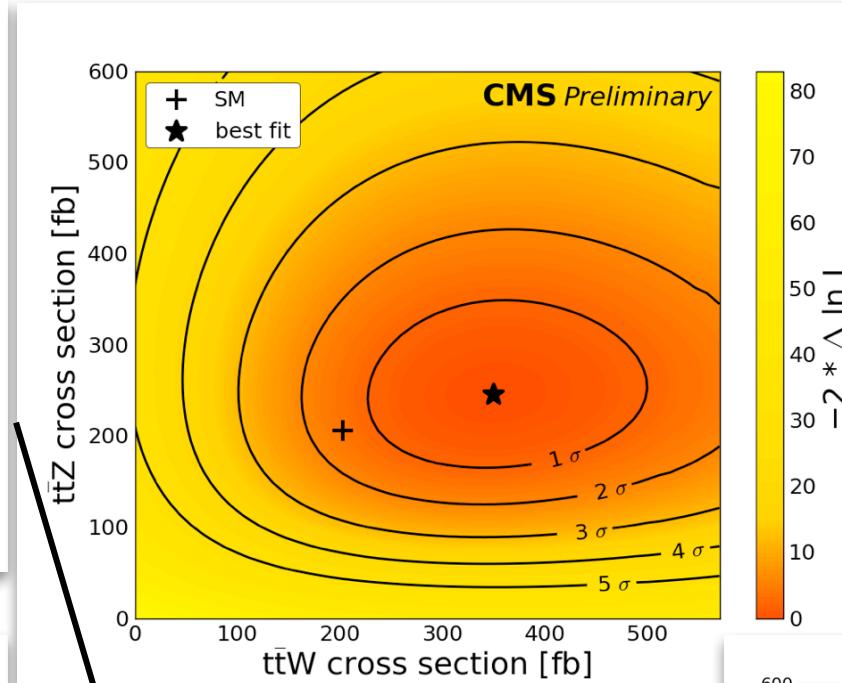
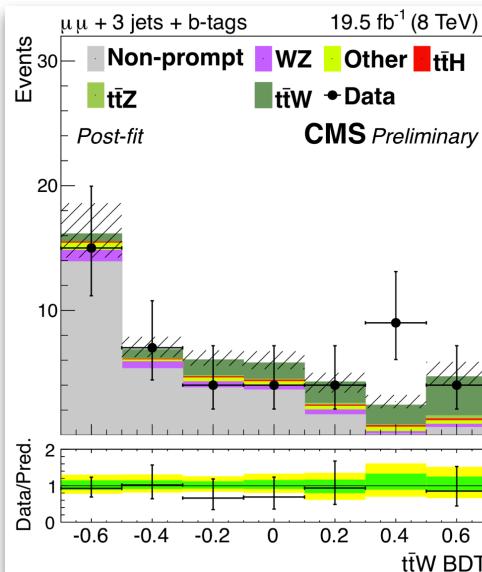
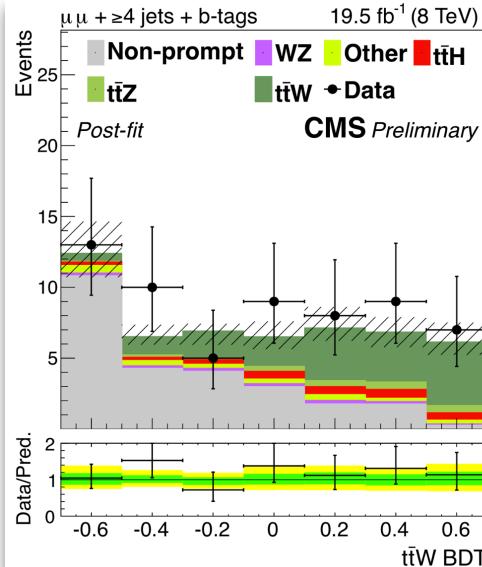
Physics

- 5 mutually exclusive signal channels: at least 1 lepton  $p_T > 20$  GeV, additional leptons  $p_T > 10$  GeV:
- In some channels: control regions for the backgrounds
- After selections: background dominated
- Use full reconstruction, and use linear discriminant to match the tt system
  - for tt L+J with 4 jets (from tt) correct assignment: 75%
- Match scores and other reconstructions variables into BDT
- Cross sections extracted from binned likelihood functions



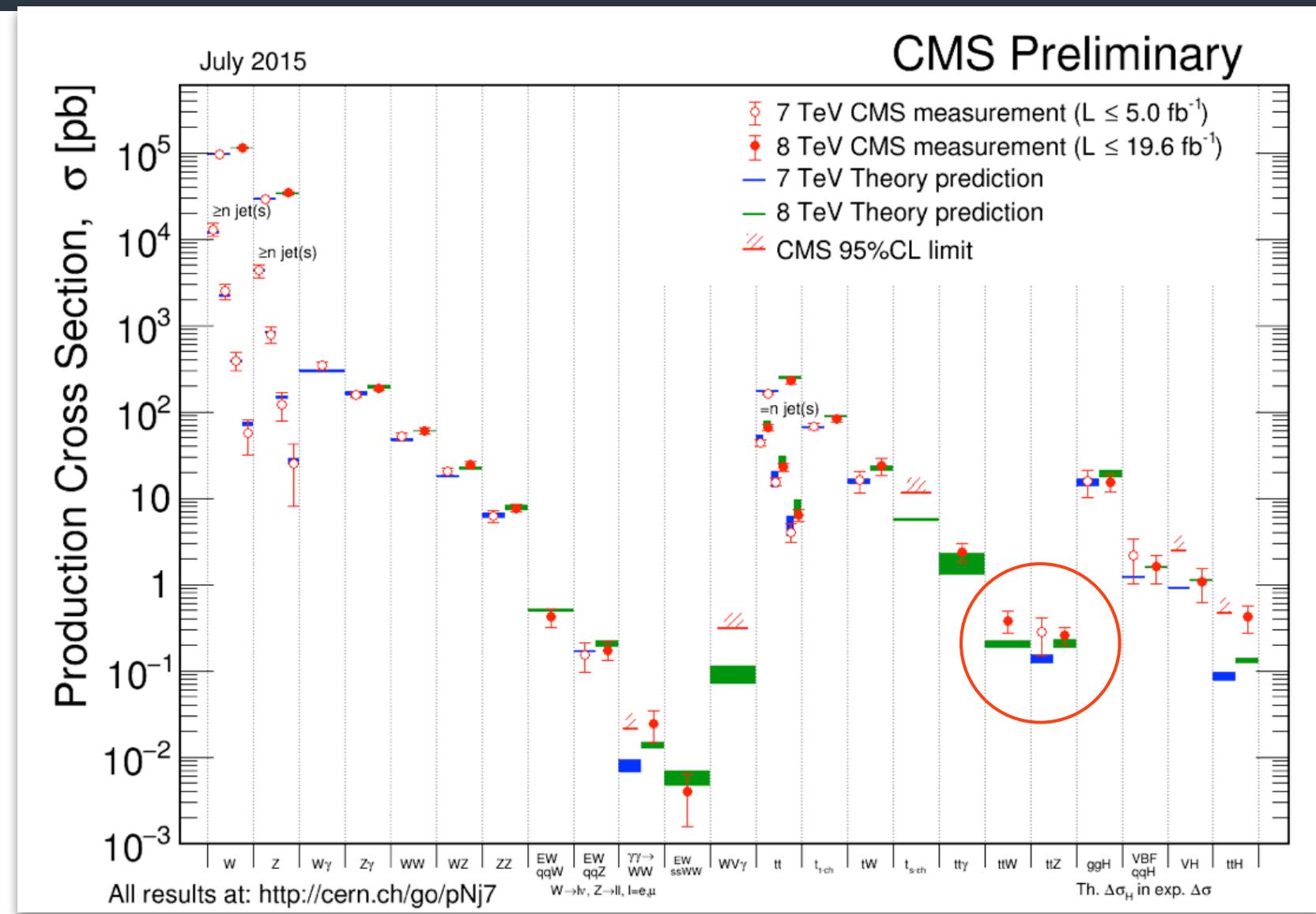


# $t\bar{t}W$ , $t\bar{t}Z$ cross sections at 8 TeV



source of slight excess in  
 $t\bar{t}W$ , consistent with CMS  
 $t\bar{t}H$  excess ([1408.1682](#))

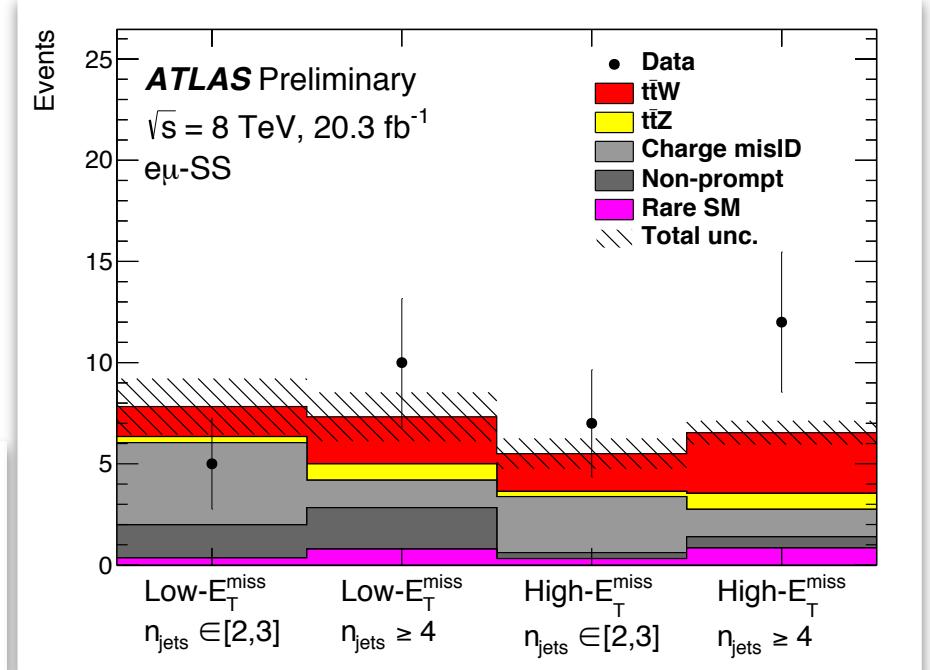
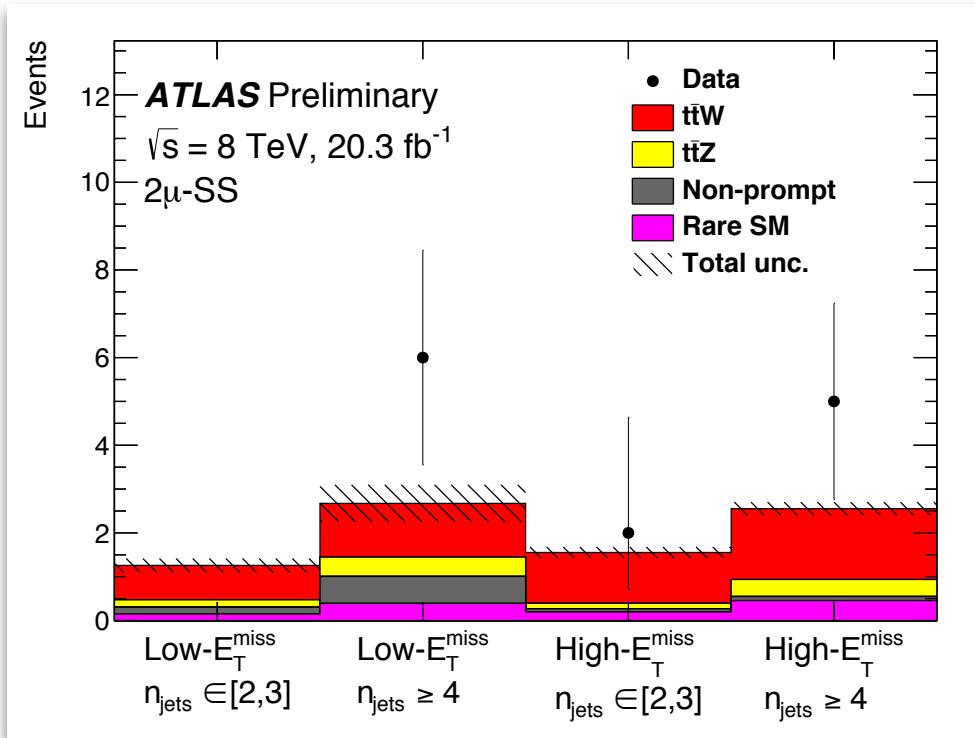
# ttW, ttZ cross sections at 8 TeV





# ttW, ttZ cross sections at 8 TeV

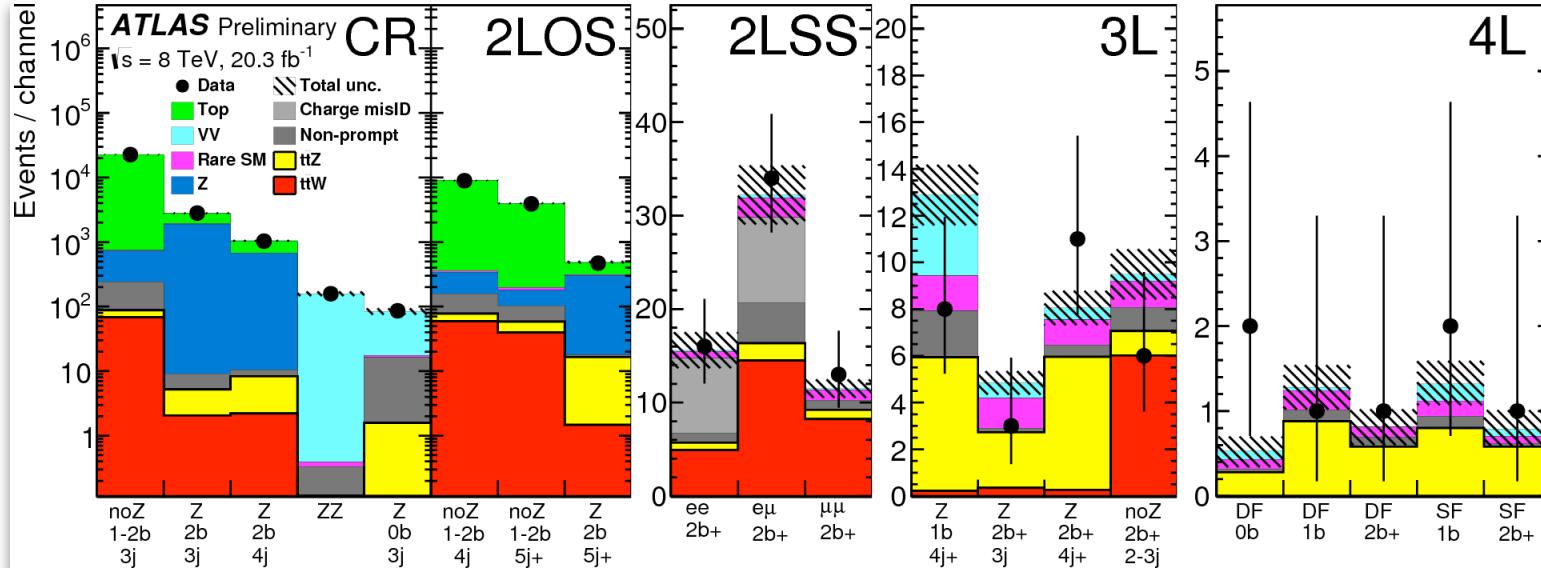
- 15 signal regions and 5 control regions, at least 1 lepton  $p_T > 20$  GeV, additional leptons  $p_T > 15$  or 7 GeV
- 2 OS leptons: NN used to separate ttW and ttZ



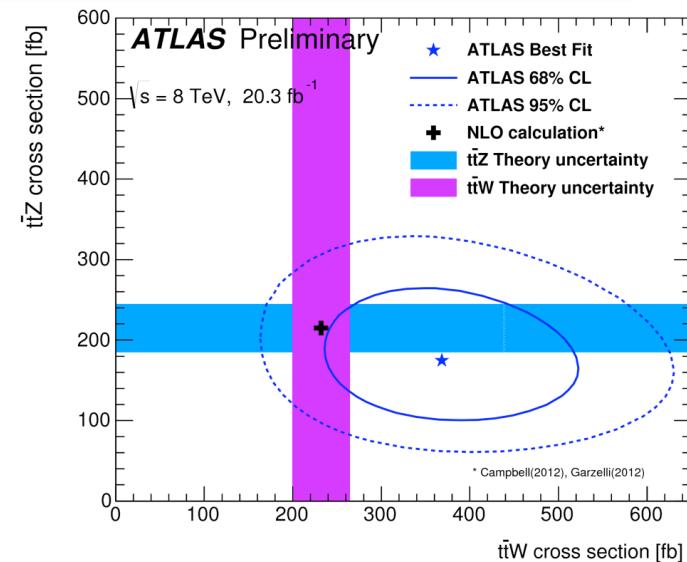
- Profile likelihood fit over all 20 bins simultaneously



# ttW, ttZ cross sections at 8 TeV

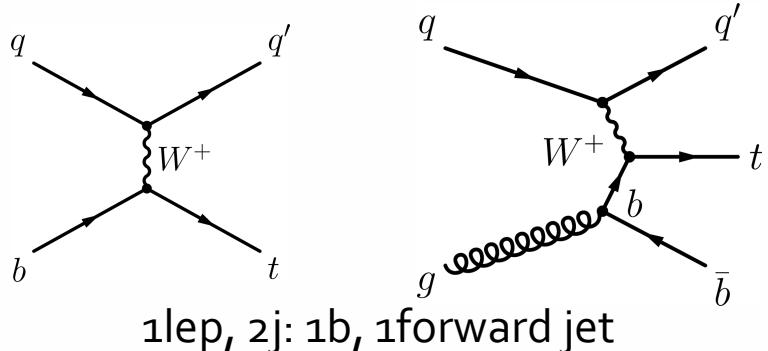


The observed (expected) significance of ttW is  $5.0\sigma$  ( $3.2\sigma$ ) and of ttZ is  $4.2\sigma$  ( $4.5\sigma$ )



# single top quark production

# Single top production



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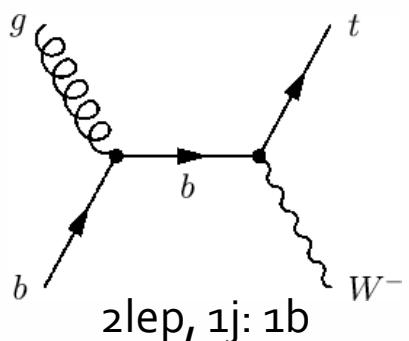
**FCNC**

1.96 TeV: 2.1 pb

8 TeV:  $87.8 \pm 3.4$  pb

$\sim 40$

**b quark PDF**



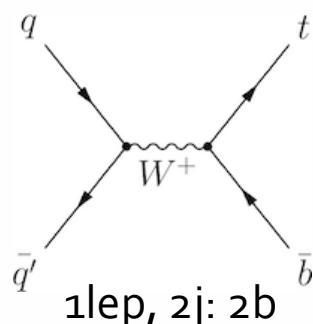
**Wt channel**

1.96 TeV: 0.25 pb

8 TeV:  $22.4 \pm 1.5$  pb

$\sim 100$

**New resonances, anomalous  
couplings**



**s-channel**

1.96 TeV: 1.1 pb

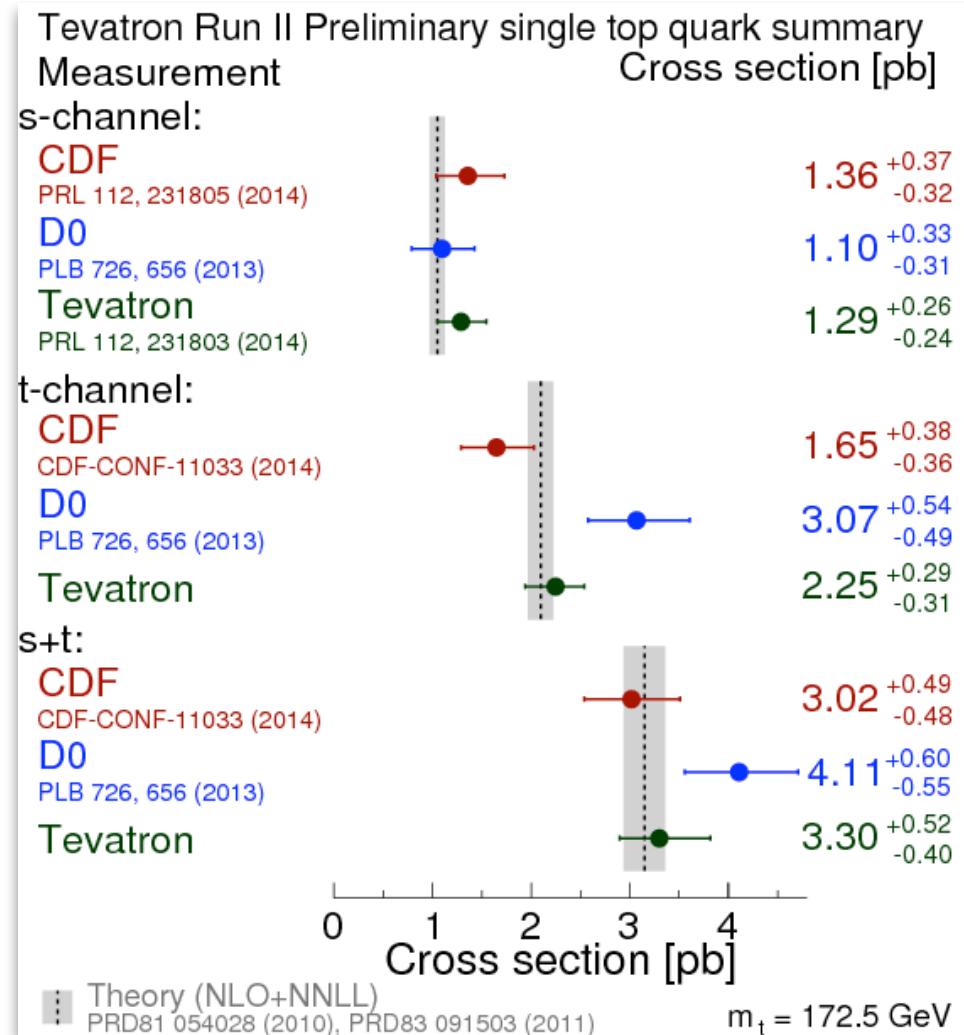
8 TeV:  $5.6 \pm 0.2$  pb

$\sim 5$

**New resonances**

Measurement of  $|V_{tb}|$

# Single top production at the Tevatron



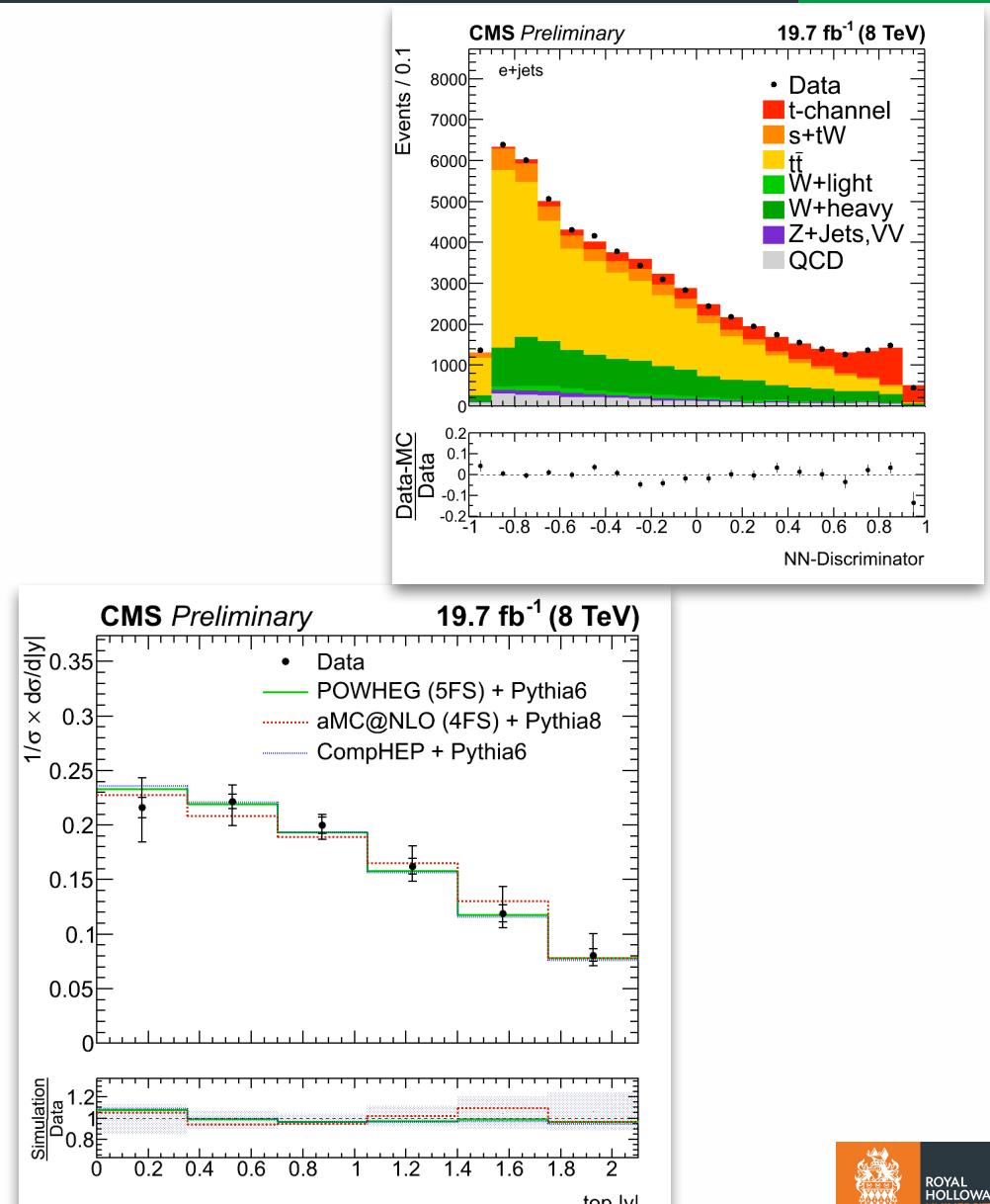
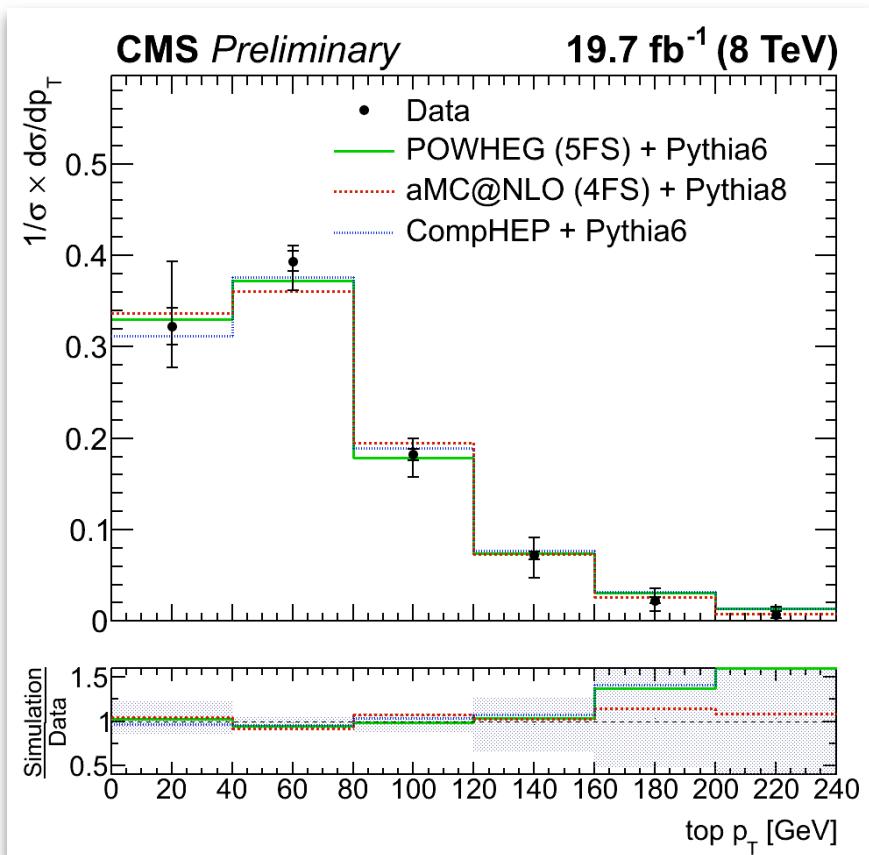
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# t-channel single top at 8 TeV



Physics

- One electron (muon) with  $p_T > 30$  GeV (26 GeV)
- jet  $p_T > 40$  GeV
- $E_{T\text{miss}} > 45$  GeV ( $m_T(W) > 50$  GeV)
- **signal:** 2j1t, W+jets: 2j0t, tt: 3j2t



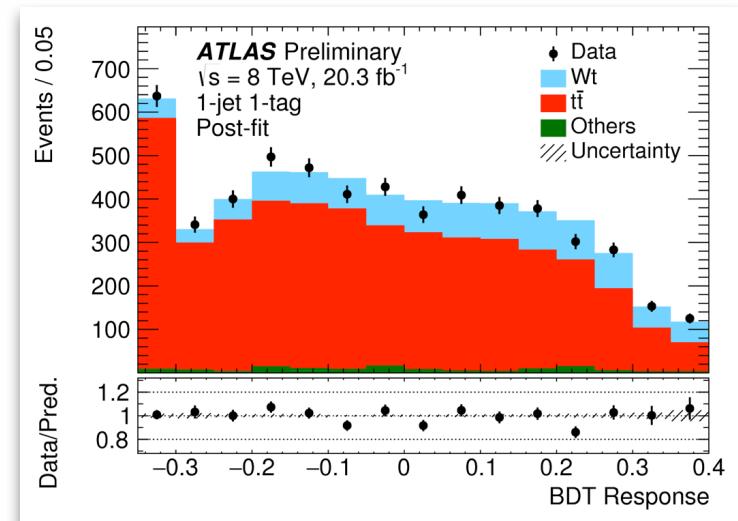
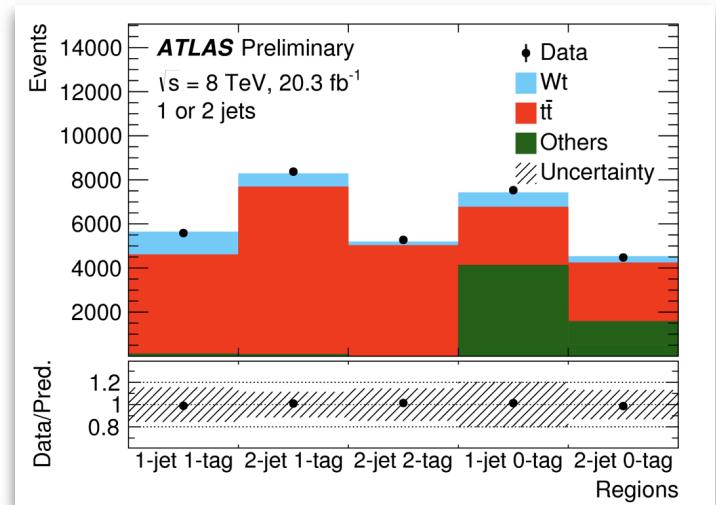
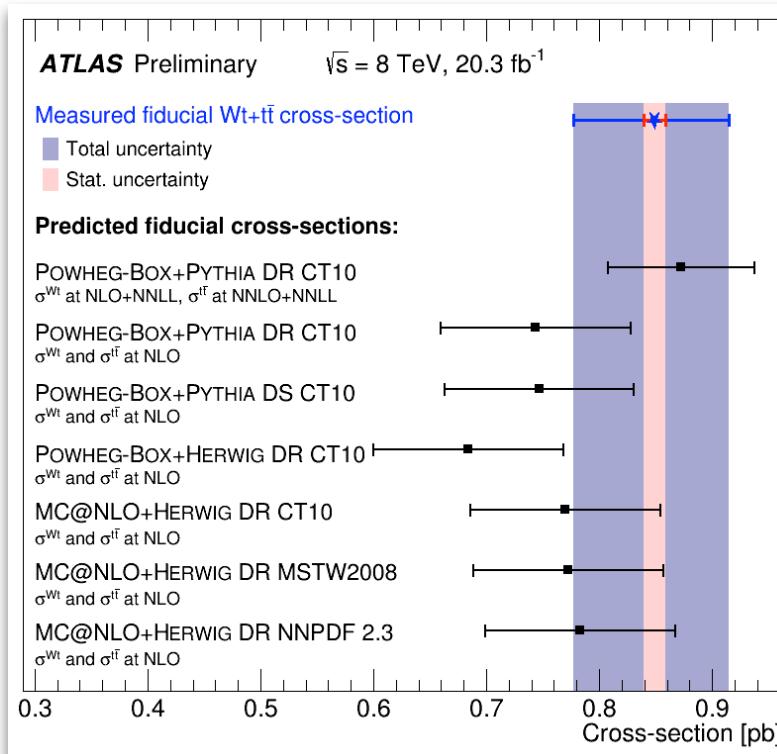


# tW single top at 8 TeV

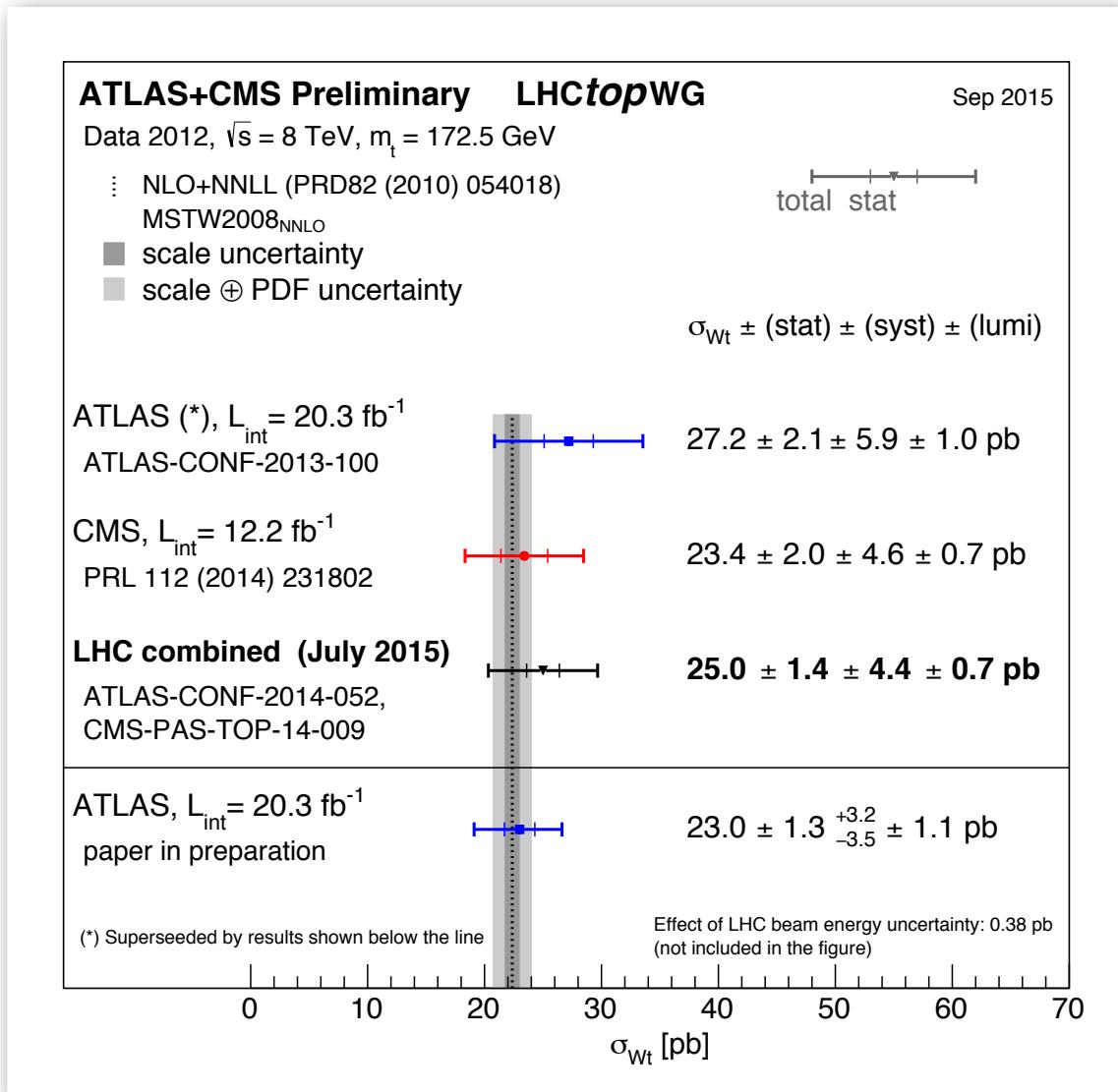
- Dilepton selection with 1 or 2 b-jets (tt control)
- BDT to separate from tt
- Fiducial cross section to compare with NLO

$$\sigma_{tW} = 23.0 \pm 1.3 \text{ (stat.)} {}^{+3.2}_{-3.5} \text{ (syst.)} \pm 1.1 \text{ (lumi.) pb}$$

16% 7.7 $\sigma$



# Combination for tW single top at 8 TeV



# s-channel single top quark at 8 TeV



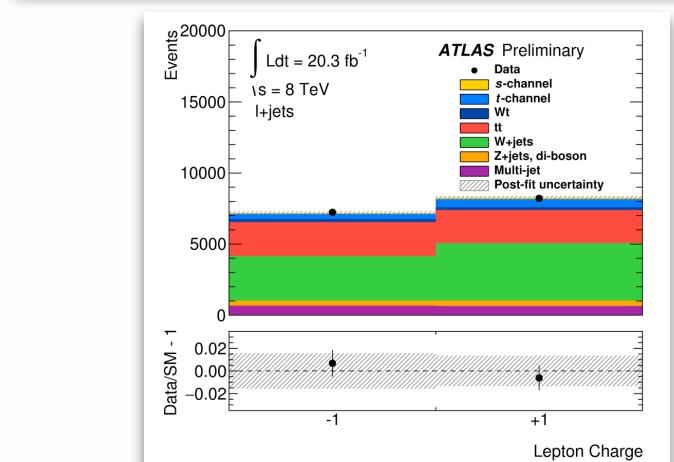
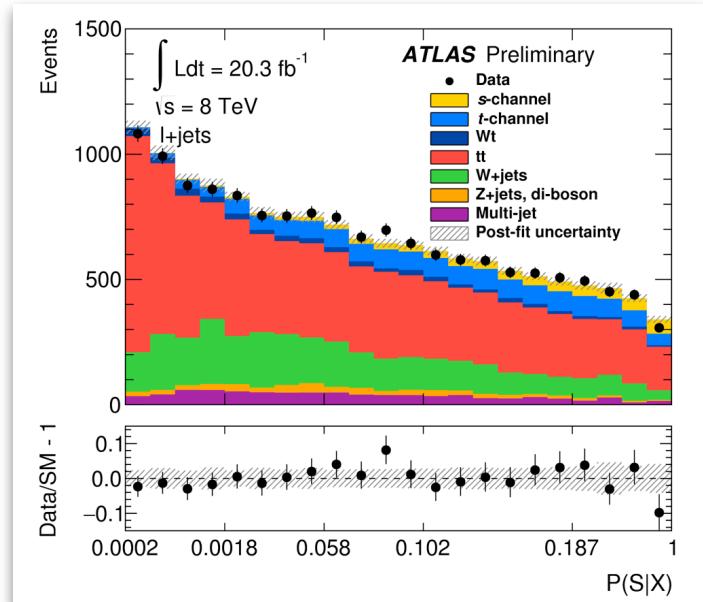
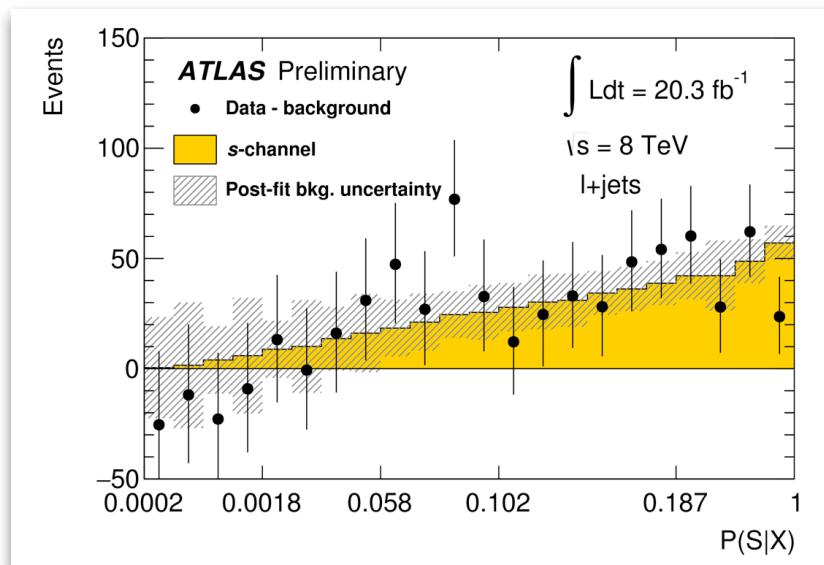
Physics

- Lepton+jets selection with 2 b-jets and large  $E_T$ Miss
- Build Matrix Element discriminant for each selected event
  - s-channel vs t-channel, tt, W+jets
- Template fit in signal and control regions

$$\sigma_s = 4.8 \pm 1.1 \text{ (stat.)} {}^{+2.2}_{-2.0} \text{ (syst.+lumi.) pb}$$

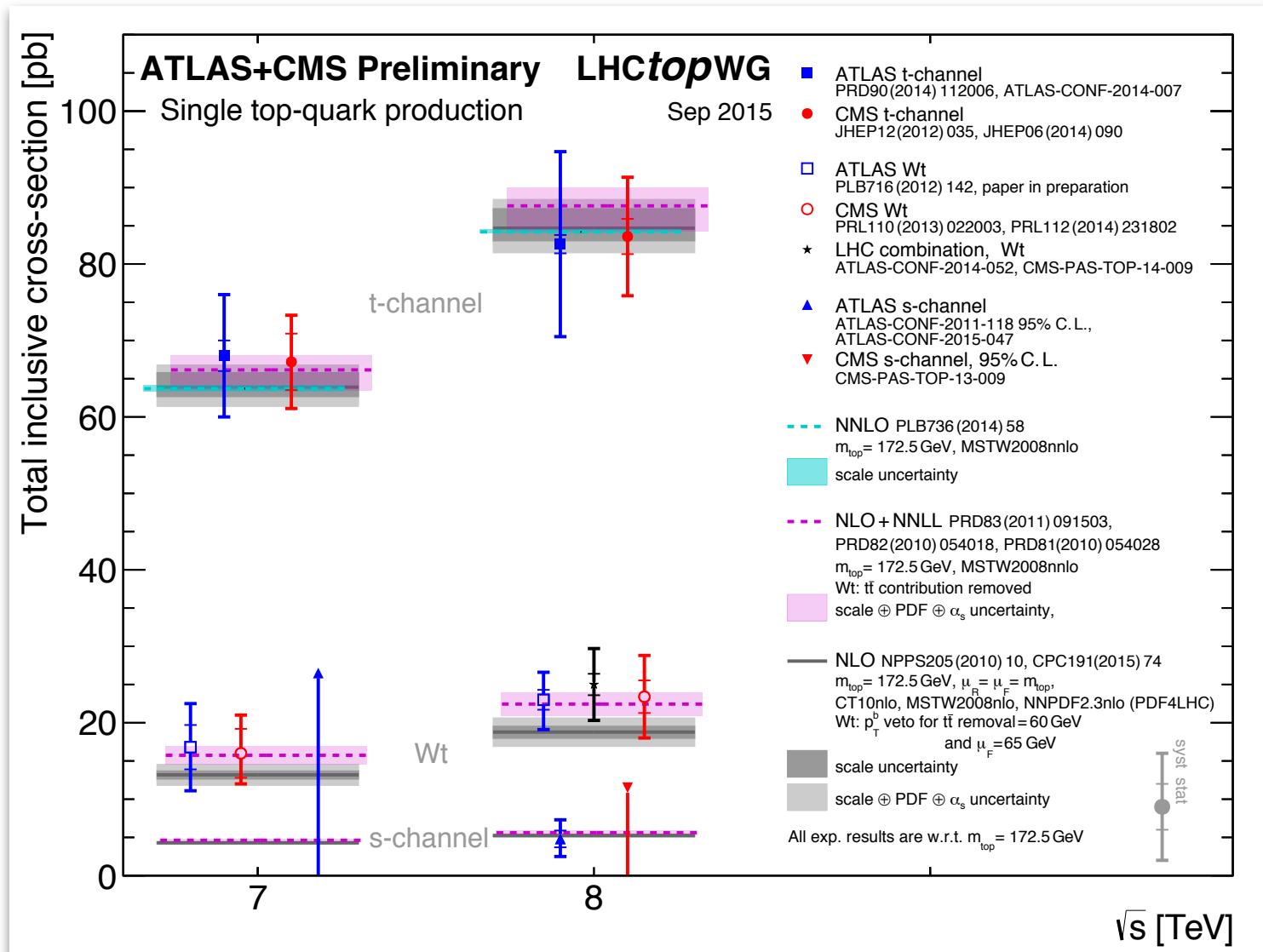
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Observed (expected) significance:  $3.2\sigma$  ( $3.9\sigma$ )

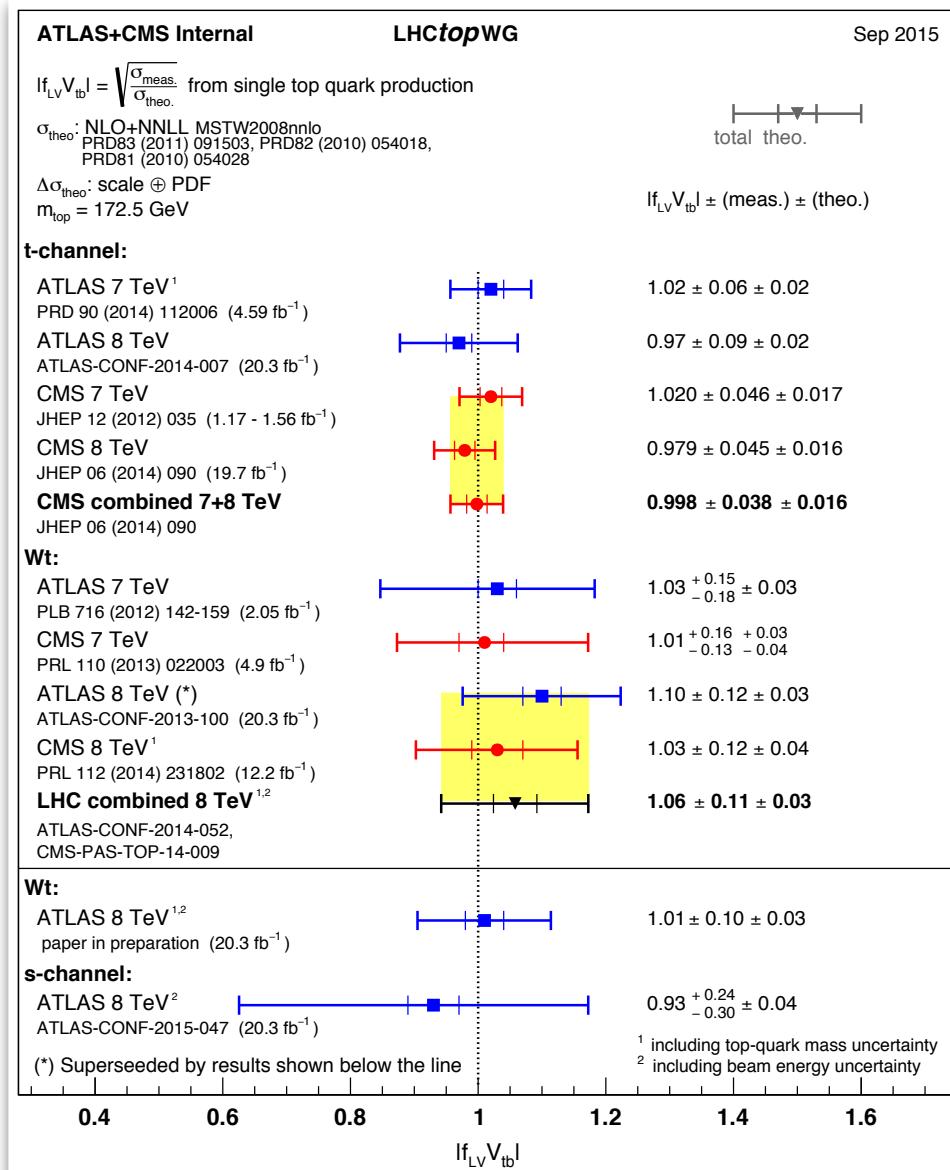


First evidence of single-top s-channel production at the LHC!

# single-top quark at the LHC



# Extracting $|V_{tb}|$



4.1%

# The top quark is 20 years old!

Physics



Precision measurements  
inclusive and differential  
theory calculations

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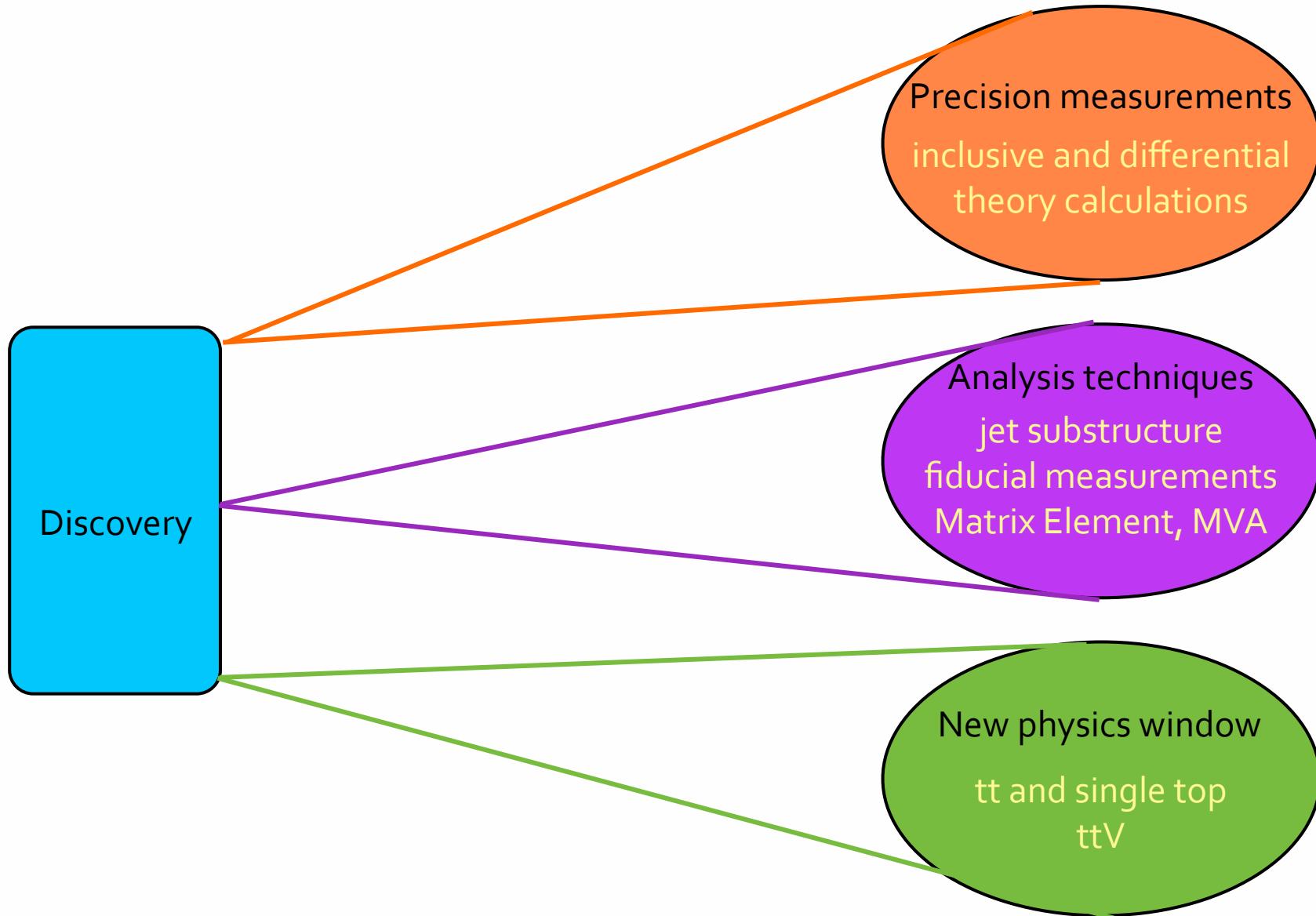
## Observation of Top Quark Production in $\bar{p}p$ Collisions with the CDF Detector at Fermilab

### Abstract

We establish the existence of the top quark using a  $67 \text{ pb}^{-1}$  data sample of  $\bar{p}p$  collisions at  $\sqrt{s} = 1.8 \text{ TeV}$  collected with the Collider Detector at Fermilab (CDF). Employing techniques similar to those we previously published, we observe a signal consistent with  $t\bar{t}$  decay to  $WWb\bar{b}$ , but inconsistent with the background prediction by  $4.8\sigma$ . Additional evidence for the top quark is provided by a peak in the reconstructed mass distribution. We measure the top quark mass to be  $176 + 8(\text{stat.}) \pm 10(\text{sys.}) \text{ GeV}/c^2$ , and the  $t\bar{t}$  production cross section to be  $6.8^{+3.6}_{-2.4} \text{ pb}$ .



# The top quark is 20 years old!



backups

# 13 TeV systematics

Uncertainty	$\Delta\sigma_{\bar{t}t}/\sigma_{\bar{t}t}$ (%)
Data statistics	7.6
$t\bar{t}$ NLO modelling	2.6
$t\bar{t}$ hadronisation	7.9
Initial/final state radiation	1.5
PDF	3.7
Single-top $Wt$ cross-section	0.6
Single-top interference	<0.05
Diboson cross-section	0.4
$Z+jets \rightarrow ee/\mu\mu$ modelling	1.5
$Z+jets \rightarrow \tau\tau$ modelling	0.1
Electron energy scale	0.3
Electron energy resolution	0.2
Electron identification	3.6
Electron trigger	0.2
Electron isolation	1.0
Muon momentum scale	0.1
Muon momentum resolution	1.1
Muon identification	0.8
Muon trigger	0.6
Muon isolation	1.0
Jet energy scale	1.2
Jet energy resolution	0.2
$b$ -tagging efficiency	0.8
Missing transverse momentum	0.3
NP & fakes	1.5
Analysis systematic	11
Integrated luminosity	10
Total uncertainty	16

Table 4: Summary of the statistical, systematic and total uncertainties on the  $t\bar{t}$  production cross-section  $\sigma_{\bar{t}t}$  in the same flavour dilepton channel.

Uncertainty	$\Delta\sigma_{\bar{t}t}/\sigma_{\bar{t}t}$ (%)
Data statistics	1.5
$t\bar{t}$ NLO modelling	0.6
$t\bar{t}$ hadronisation	4.1
Initial/final state radiation	1.9
PDF	0.7
Single top cross-section	0.3
Diboson cross-sections	0.2
$Z+jets$ cross-section	1.0
$W+jets$ method statistics	1.7
$W+jets$ modelling	1.0
Electron energy scale/resolution	0.1
Electron identification	2.1
Electron isolation	0.4
Electron trigger	2.8
Muon momentum scale/resolution	0.1
Muon identification	0.2
Muon isolation	0.3
Muon trigger	1.2
$E_T^{\text{miss}}$ scale/resolution	0.4
Jet energy scale	+10 -8
Jet energy resolution	0.6
$b$ -tagging	4.1
NP & fakes	1.8
Analysis systematics	+13 -11
Integrated luminosity	+11 -9
Total uncertainty	+17 -14

Table 5: Summary of the statistical, systematic and total uncertainties on the  $t\bar{t}$  production cross-section  $\sigma_{\bar{t}t}$  measured in the lepton-plus-jets channel.

# 13 TeV systematics

Table 1: Overview on uncertainties in the total inclusive cross section measurement.

source	inclusive cross section [%]
statistical uncertainty	3.2
b tagging	5.1
jet energy scale	3.5
jet energy resolution	3.4
lepton selection	3.0
$E_T^{\text{miss}}$ (non jet)	< 0.1
pileup	1.2
background	1.6
PDF	4.7
factorization scale	< 0.1
renormalization scale	< 0.1
NLO generator	2.0
POWHEG + PYTHIA8 vs. HERWIG++	3.4
total systematic uncertainty (no luminosity)	10.0
luminosity	12
total uncertainty	15.6

Source	$\Delta\sigma_{t\bar{t}}$ (pb)	$\Delta\sigma_{t\bar{t}}/\sigma_{t\bar{t}}$ (%)
Data statistics	60	7.7
Trigger efficiencies	39	5.0
Lepton efficiencies	33	4.3
Lepton energy scale	< 1	$\leq 0.1$
Jet energy scale	20	2.6
Jet energy resolution	< 1	$\leq 0.1$
Pileup	2.8	0.4
Scale ( $\mu_F$ and $\mu_R$ )	1.5	0.2
$t\bar{t}$ NLO generator	15	1.9
$t\bar{t}$ hadronization	14	1.8
PDF	12	1.5
Single top quark	14	1.8
VV (V = W or Z)	3.5	0.5
Drell-Yan	3.9	0.5
Non-W/Z leptons	8	1.0
Total systematic (no integrated luminosity)	62	8.0
Integrated luminosity	93	12
Total	126	16.4

# Differential variables

the central scattering region. The angle between the two top quarks has been found to be sensitive to non-resonant contributions due to hypothetical new particles exchanged in the  $t$ -channel [7]. The rapidities of the two top quarks produced in the hard scattering process in the  $pp$  center of mass frame are denoted by  $y_{t,1}$  and  $y_{t,2}$ , while their rapidities in the  $t\bar{t}$  center of mass frame are  $y^* = \frac{1}{2}(y_{t,1} - y_{t,2})$  and  $-y^*$ . The longitudinal motion of the  $t\bar{t}$  system in the  $pp$  frame is described by the rapidity boost  $y_{\text{boost}}^{t\bar{t}} = \frac{1}{2}[y_{t,1} + y_{t,2}]$  and the scattering angle  $\chi_{t\bar{t}} = e^{2|y^*|}$ . In particular, many signals due to processes not included in the Standard Model are predicted to peak at low values of  $\chi_{t\bar{t}}$  [7].

The following observables have been measured:

- The absolute value of the azimuthal angle between the two top quarks ( $\Delta\phi_{t\bar{t}}$ );
- the absolute value of the out-of-plane momentum ( $|p_{\text{out}}^{t\bar{t}}|$ ), i.e. the projection of top-quark three-momentum onto the direction perpendicular to a plane defined by the other top quark and the beam axis ( $z$ ) in the laboratory frame

$$|p_{\text{out}}^{t\bar{t}}| = \left| \vec{p}_{t,\text{had}} \cdot \frac{\vec{p}_{t,\text{lep}} \times \hat{z}}{|\vec{p}_{t,\text{lep}} \times \hat{z}|} \right|; \quad (3)$$

- the scalar sum ( $H_T^{t\bar{t}}$ ) of the transverse momenta of the two top quarks

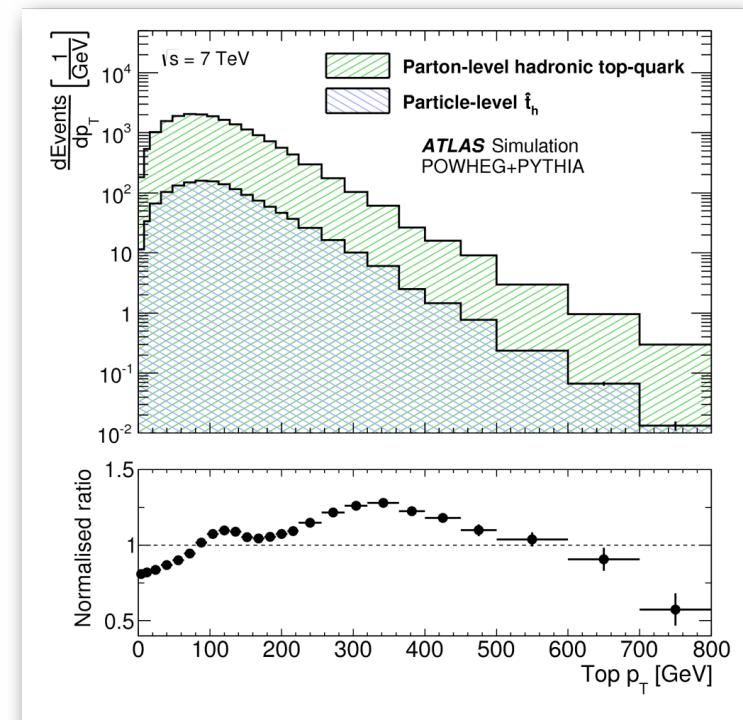
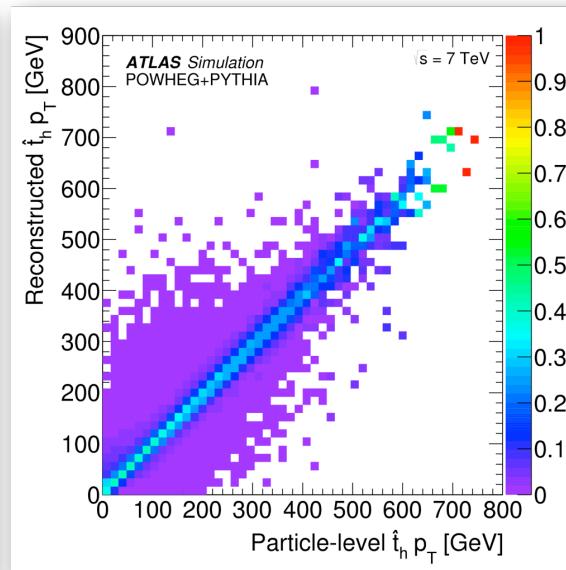
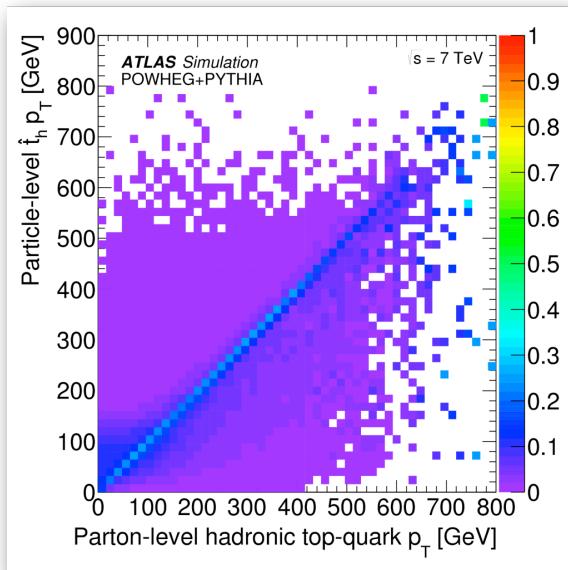
$$H_T^{t\bar{t}} = p_T^{t,\text{had}} + p_T^{t,\text{lep}}; \quad (4)$$

- the longitudinal boost of the  $t\bar{t}$  system with respect to the center-of-mass of the colliding protons ( $y_{\text{boost}}^{t\bar{t}}$ );
- the scattering angle between the two top quarks ( $\chi_{t\bar{t}}$ );
- and the ratio of the transverse momenta of the hadronic  $W$  boson and the top quark from which it originates ( $R_{Wt}$ )

$$R_{Wt} = p_T^W / p_T^{t,\text{had}}. \quad (5)$$

# Differential tt cross section at 7 TeV

- lepton+jets,  $4.6\text{fb}^{-1}$ ,  $\geq 2$  b-jets,  $E_T\text{Miss} > 30 \text{ GeV}$ ,  $M_T(W) > 35 \text{ GeV}$
- “pseudo-top”: reconstruction algorithm only uses detector-level objects
  - leptonic top: lepton +  $E_T\text{Miss}$  (use  $W$  mass for  $p_z$ ) + b-jet closest in DR to lepton
  - hadronic top: 2 highest  $p_T$  jets + remaining b-jet

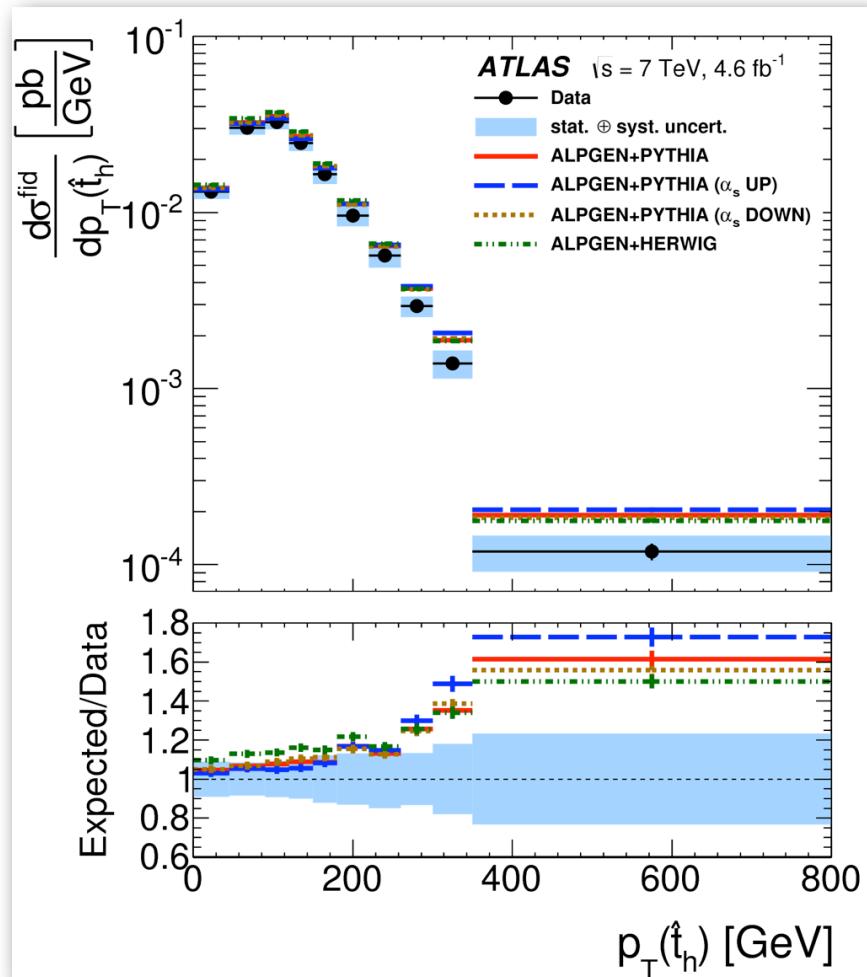


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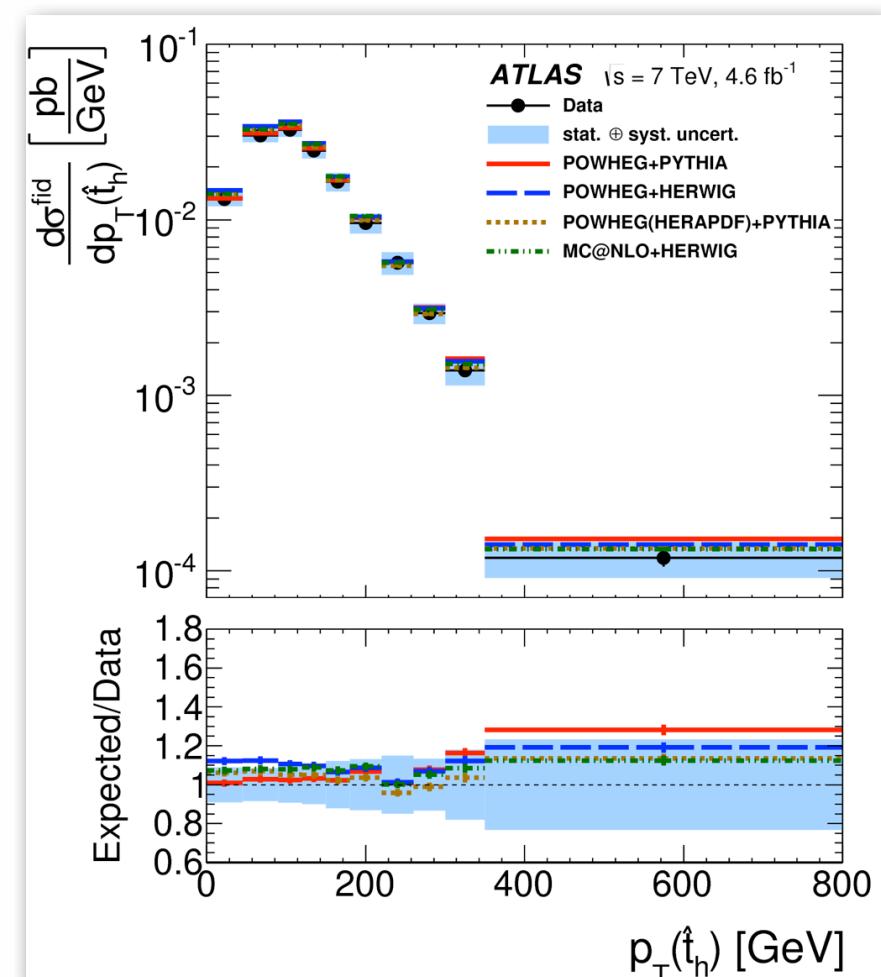


Physics

- Top  $p_T$ : models indicate a harder  $p_T$  than data: possibly because of CTEQ6L1 PDF?



Parton shower and radiation comparison



list of variables

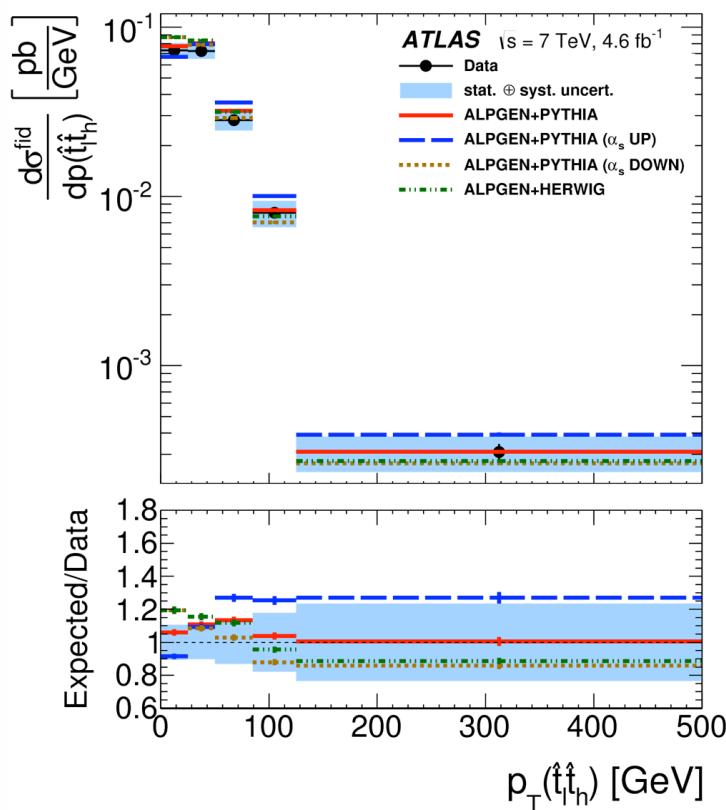
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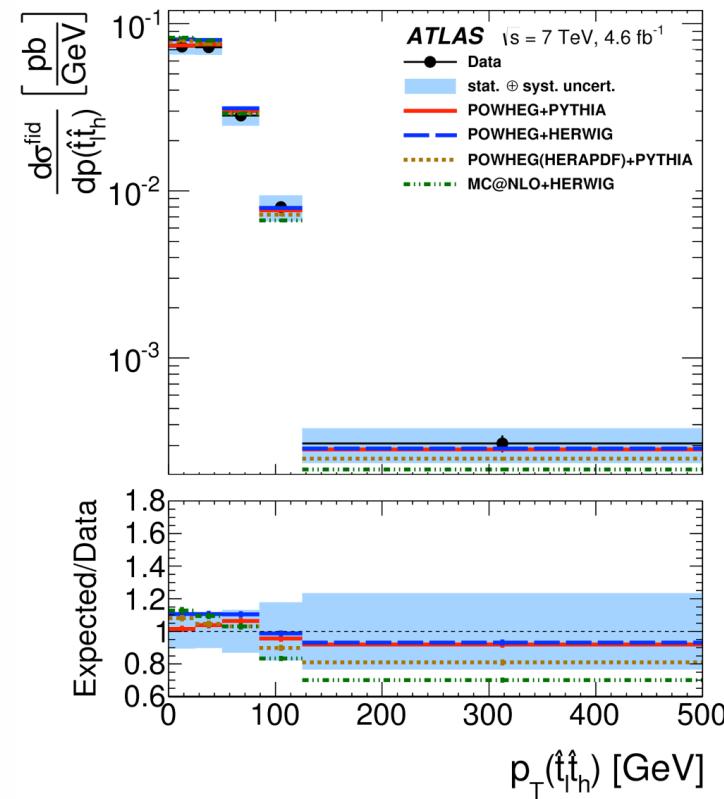


Physics

- tt pT very sensitive to additional radiation and highlights the different hard-gluon emission models
- MC@NLO prediction lower due to the softer 5th jet pt compared to other generators



Parton shower and radiation comparison



generator and PDF comparison

- CMS: preliminary luminosity scale and its uncertainty from x-y beam-beam scans

