

Experimental Perspectives and mis-modelling in top physics



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Introduction

Recent measurements from ATLAS and CMS

- Differential cross-section measurements.

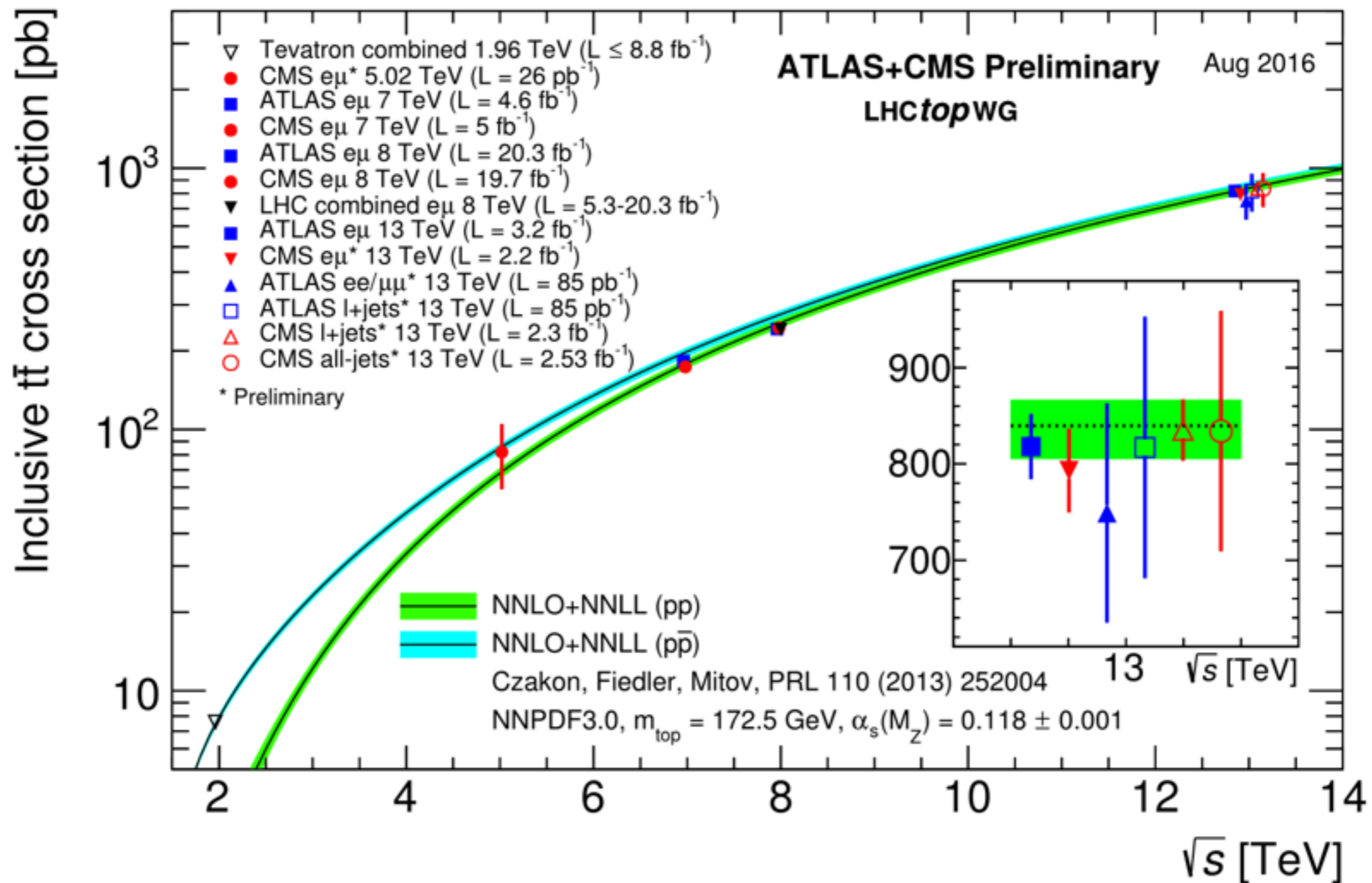
Comparison of results

- Differential cross-sections from Run-1.
- Prospects for Run-2 combinations.

Tuning studies from ATLAS and CMS

- CMS studies on showers.
- Recent ATLAS Tuning studies.

Inclusive cross-section



- Inclusive cross-sections at 5 energies!

Systematic uncertainties

Current Status

- MC modelling uncertainties are typically either the dominating, or at least a significant, source of systematic uncertainty.
- ATLAS and CMS deal with these in different ways (some harmonisation in Run2 relative to Run1).
- Important point for most of this talk:

Better Tuning = Better Experimental Results!

Systematic uncertainties

Core Concept

- Assume we can factorise MC modelling uncertainties into several categories:

Scale

Renormalisation and Factorisation

Matrix Element

Modelling of hard process

Hadronisation

Parton shower and hadronisation

Non-perturbative

Soft effects (e.g. Colour reconnection)

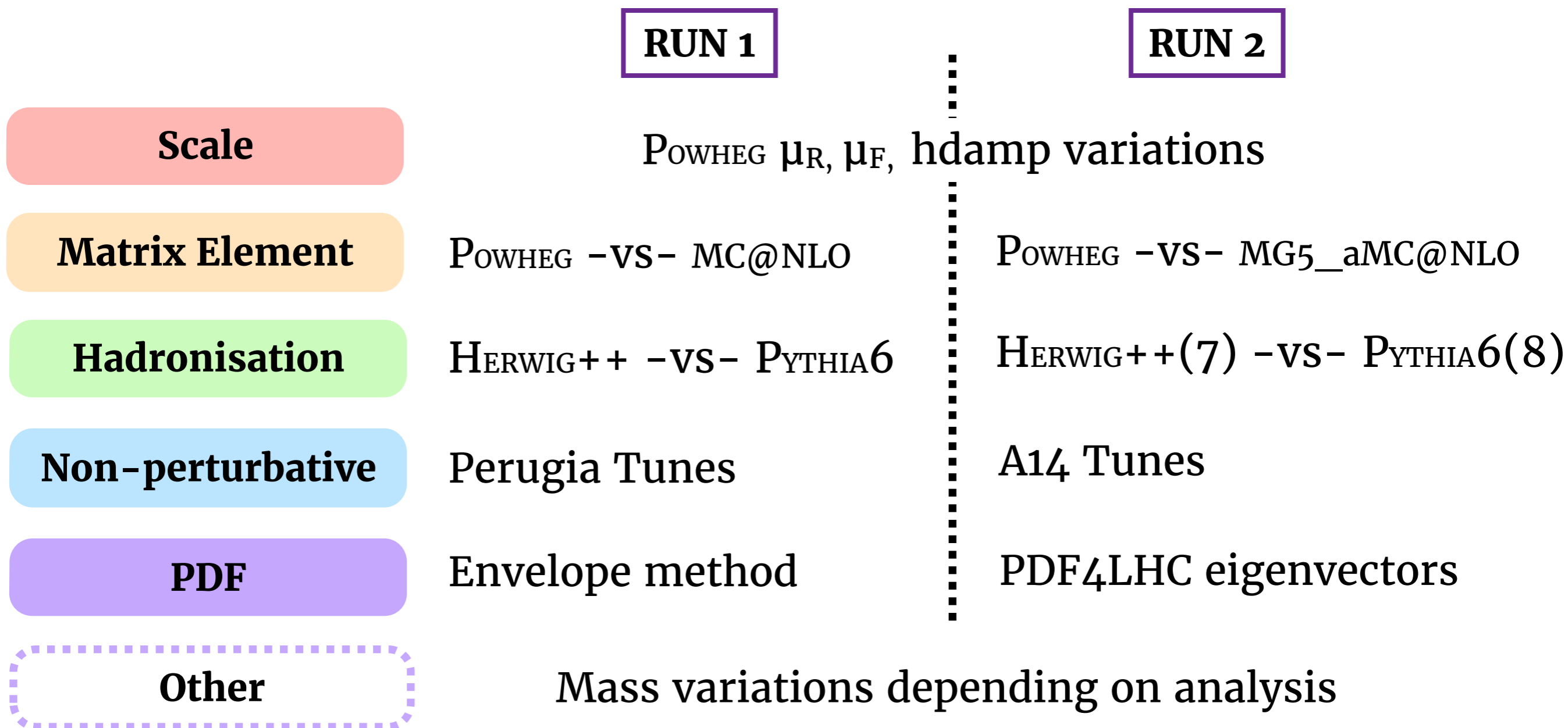
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Parton Distribution Functions

Systematic uncertainties

ATLAS Prescriptions

- Uses either two-point systematic comparison or parameter variations.



Systematic uncertainties

CMS Prescriptions

- Tricky to make definitive list, prescriptions vary with \sqrt{s} , time, and analyses.

	RUN 1	RUN 2
Scale	MG5 Q^2 variations	P_{OWHEG} μ_R, μ_F variations
Matrix Element	P_{OWHEG} -vs- MG5	P_{OWHEG} -vs- $F_X F_X$
ME - PS	Threshold variations.	hdamp variations
Hadronisation	b-frag., semi-leptonic B decays, HW6 vs PY6 JER	$H_{\text{ERWIG++}}$ -vs- P_{YTHIA8}
Non-perturbative	Tune variations	C_{UET2P8M4}
PDF	CT10 variations	CT14/NNPDF30 variations
Other	Mass variations and $p_T(t)$ reweighting	

CMS Differential Measurements

1) 13 TeV e/μ + jets:

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- Particle level, experimental phase-space.
- Parton level, full phase-space.
- top, $t\bar{t}$ kinematics vs njets (single and double diff.)
- Focus on MC modelling.

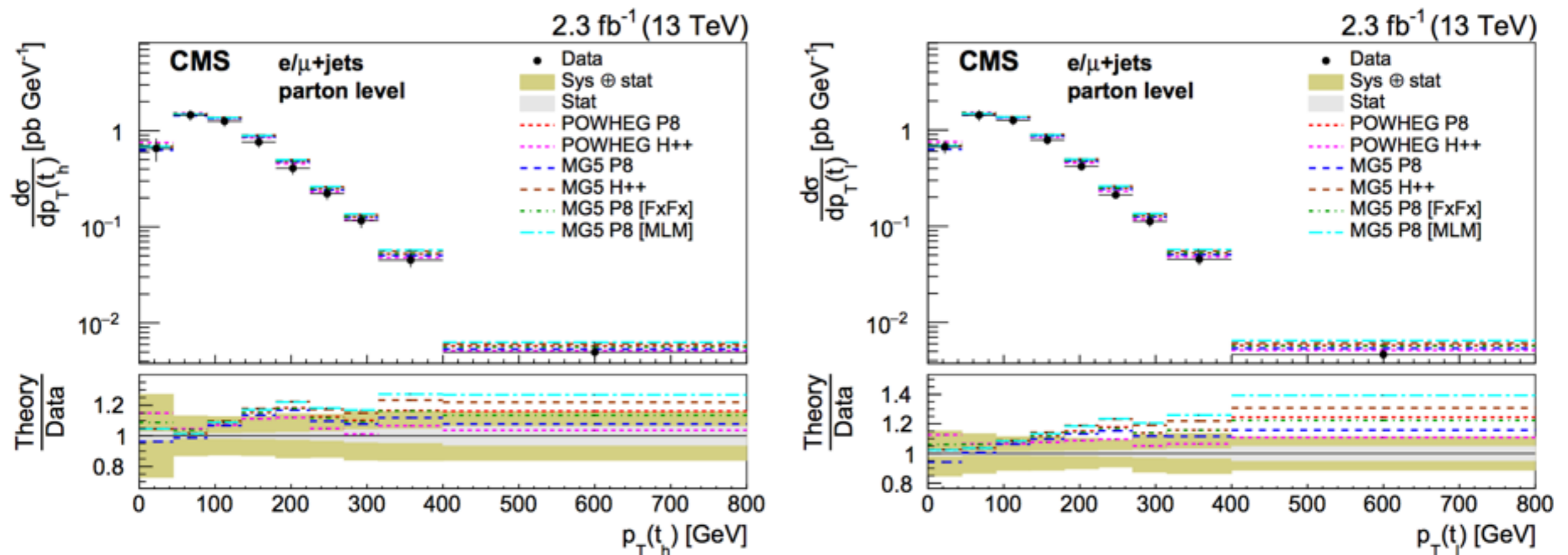
2) 8 TeV $e\mu$ + jets:

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- Parton level, full phase-space, double differential.
- Focus on PDF interpretations.

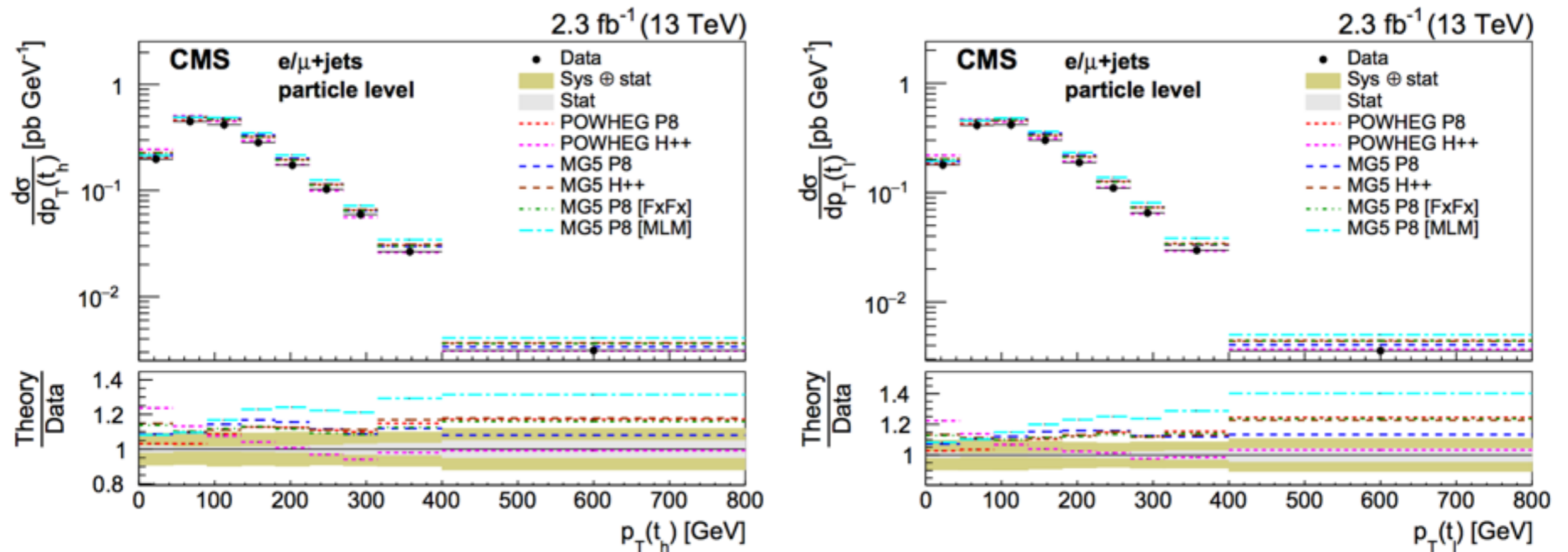
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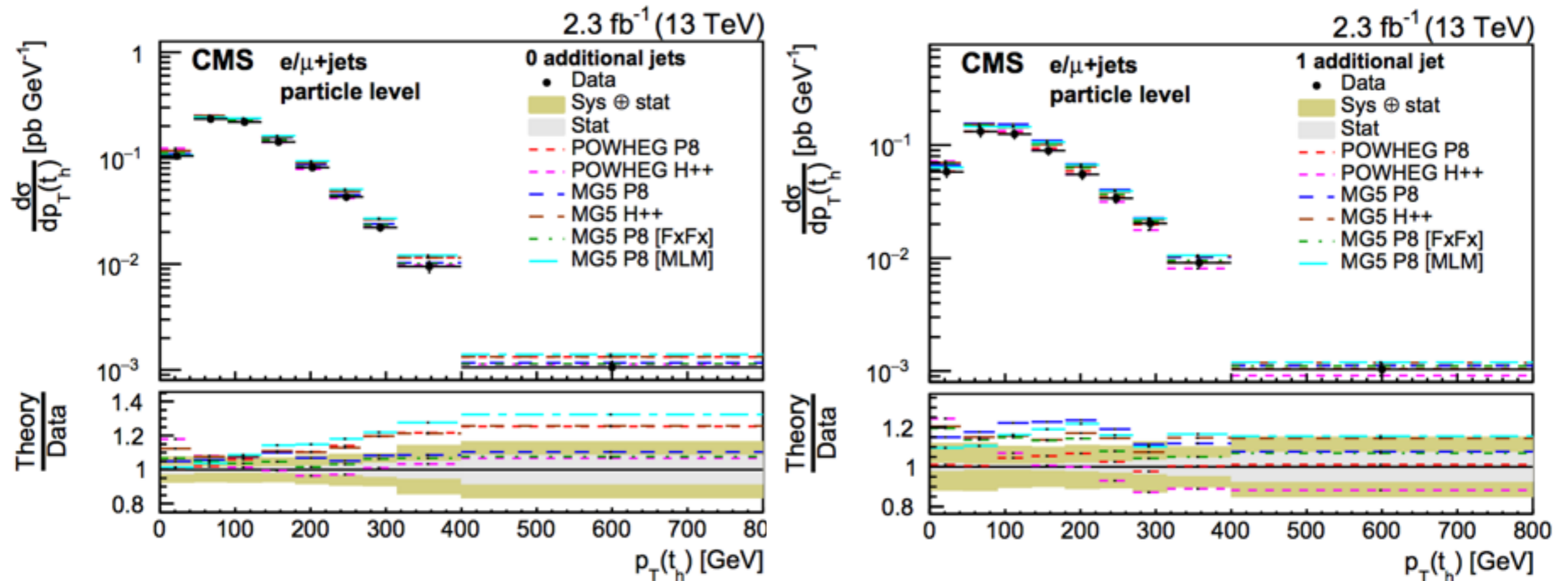
- Difference between $p_T(t_h)$ and $p_T(t_l)$ p-values.
- Many generators failing to describe high p_T behaviour (comparisons/discussion to follow).

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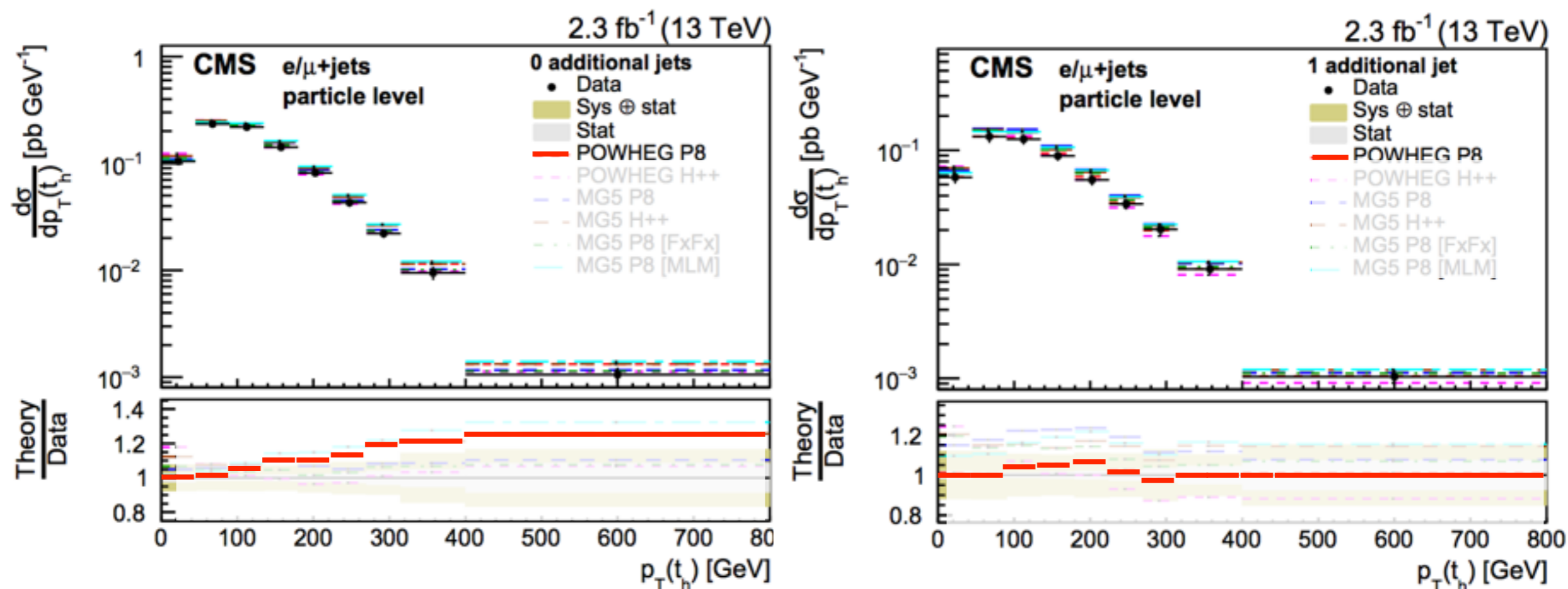
- Similar conclusions from particle level.
- No single ME Generator + Shower combination fully describing behaviour.

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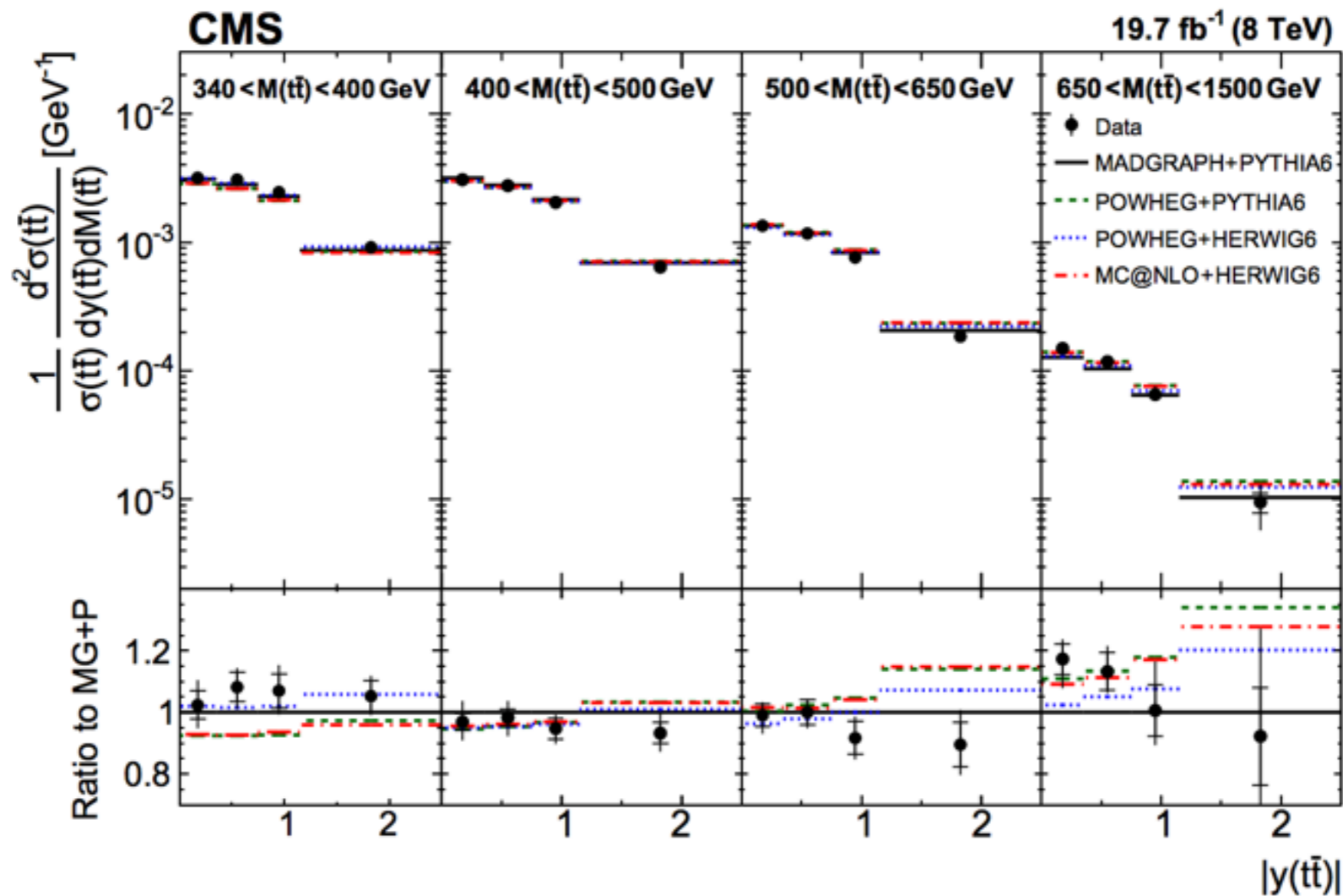
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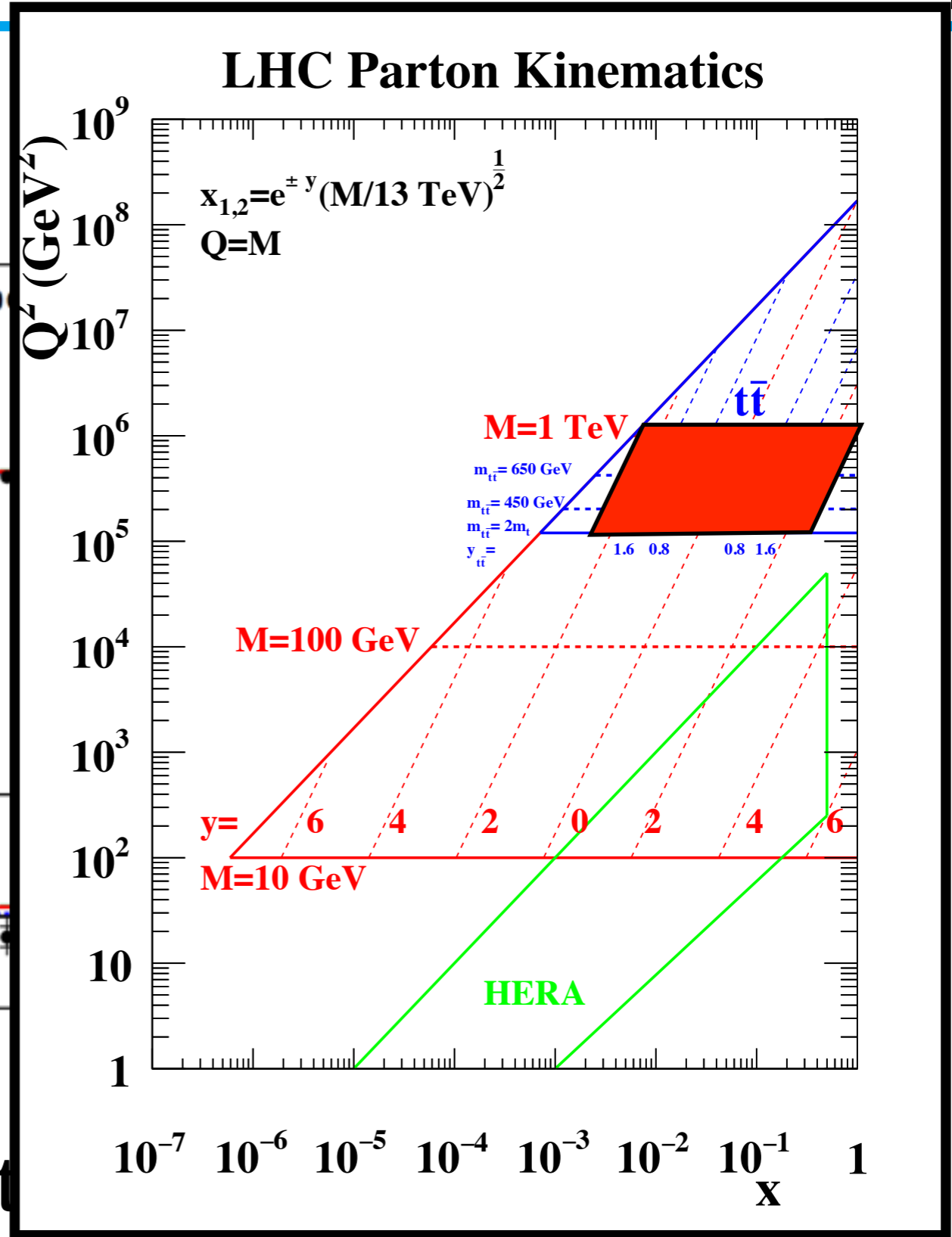
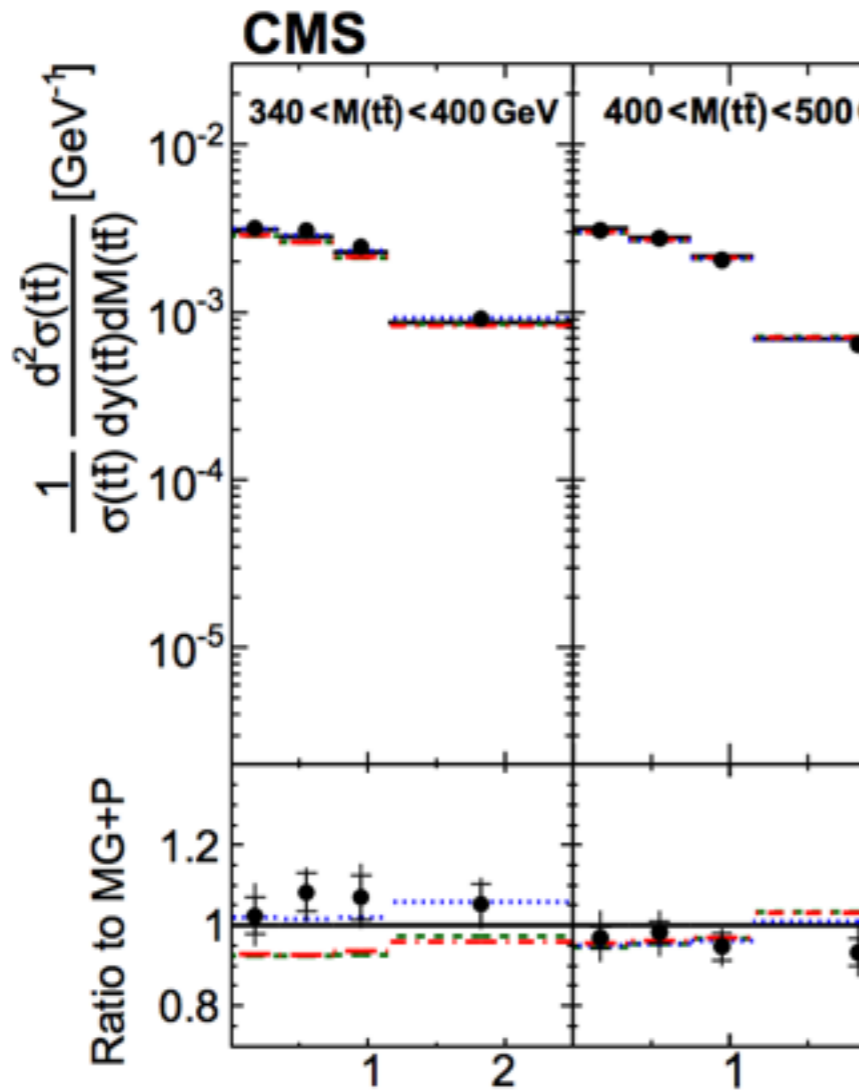
Normalised Parton-level cross-sections



- $|y(t\bar{t})|$ vs. $M(t\bar{t})$ directly probing sensitivity to PDFs

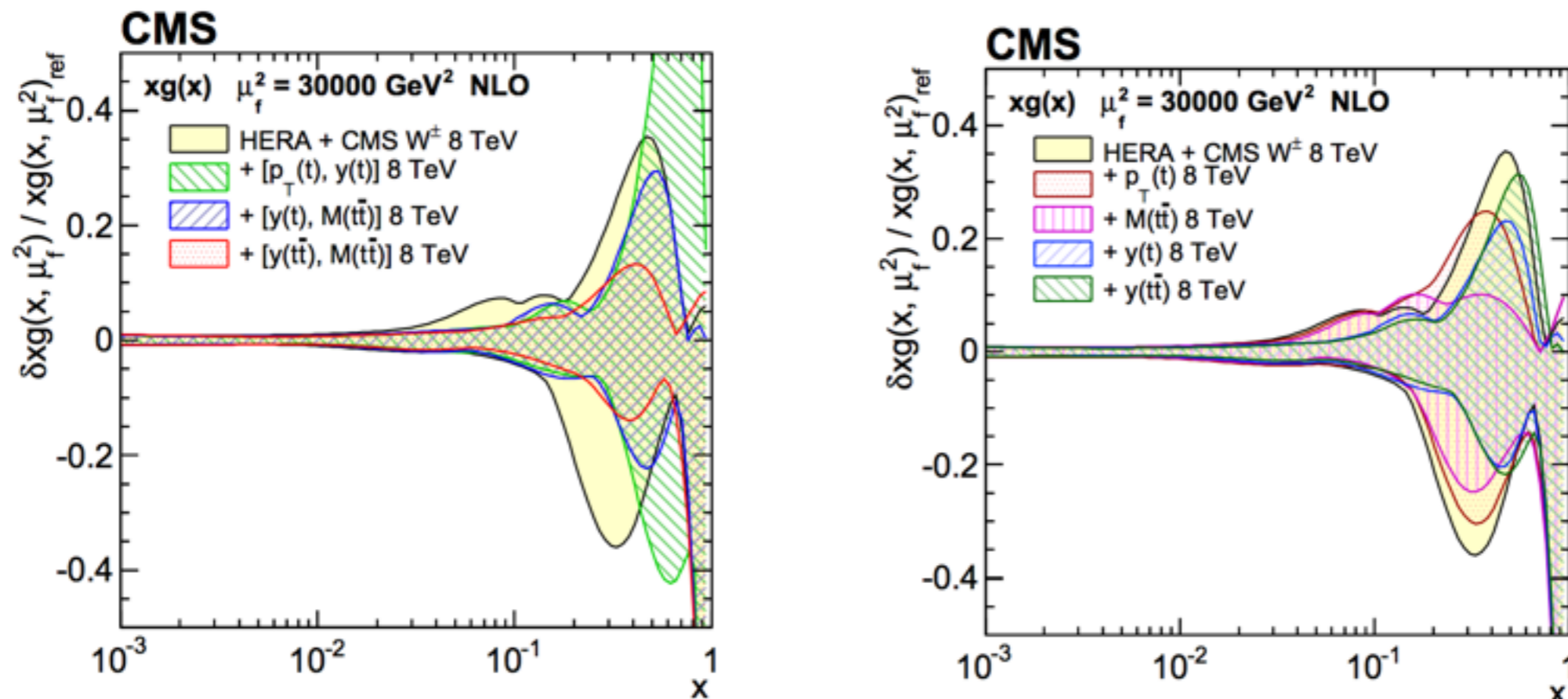
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Normalised Parton-level



- Directly probing sensit

Impact on the gluon PDF:



- $t\bar{t}$ xsec and DGLAP evolution at NLO.
- 5 flavour ($M_b=4.5 \text{ GeV}$, $M_c=1.47 \text{ GeV}$).
- Double diff. provides more constraining power.
- Consistent with dijet results.

ATLAS Differential Measurements

1) 13 TeV e/μ + jets:

[Preliminary]

- Particle level, experimental phase-space.
- hadronic top kinematics.

2) 13 TeV $e\mu$ + jets:

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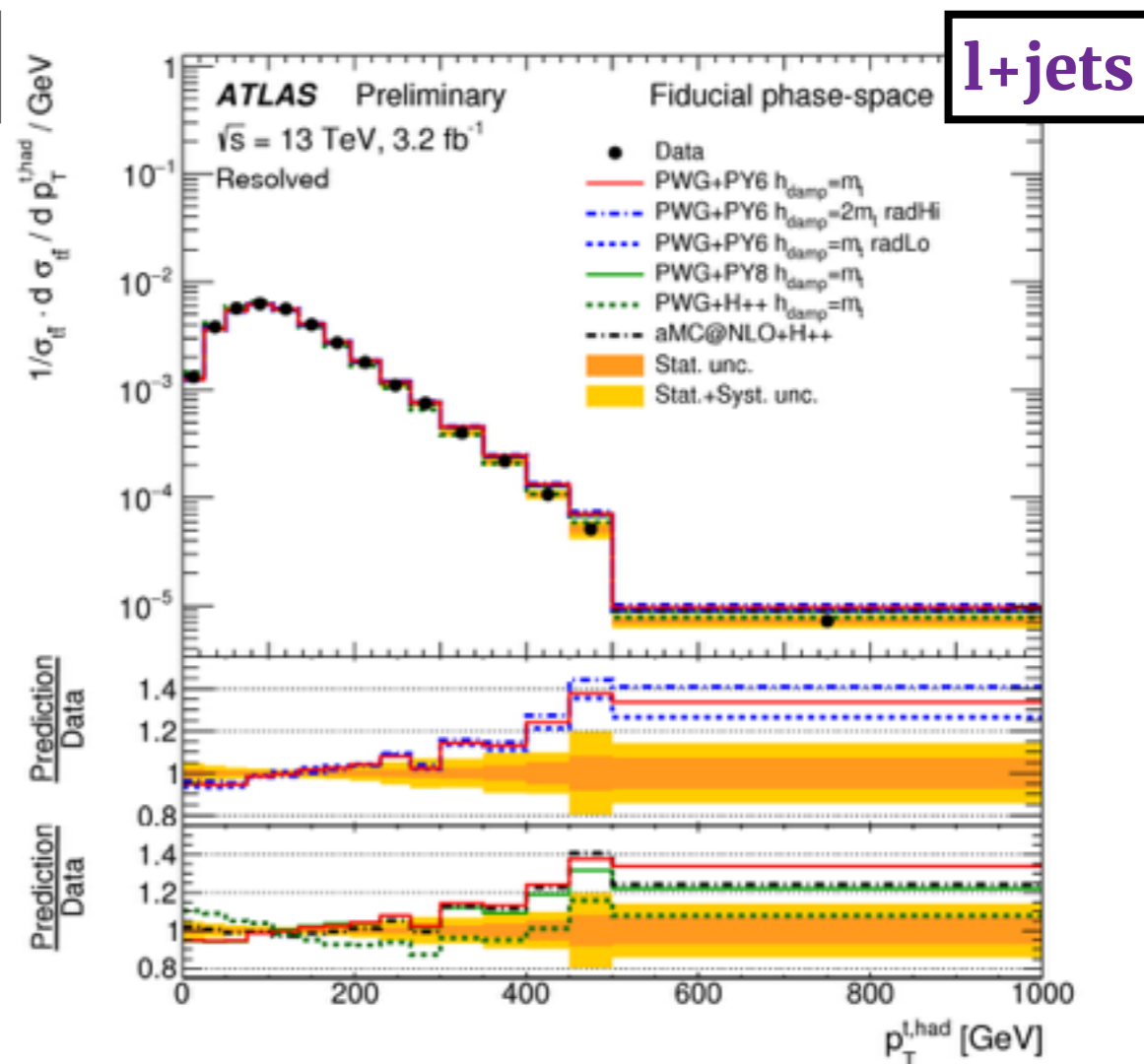
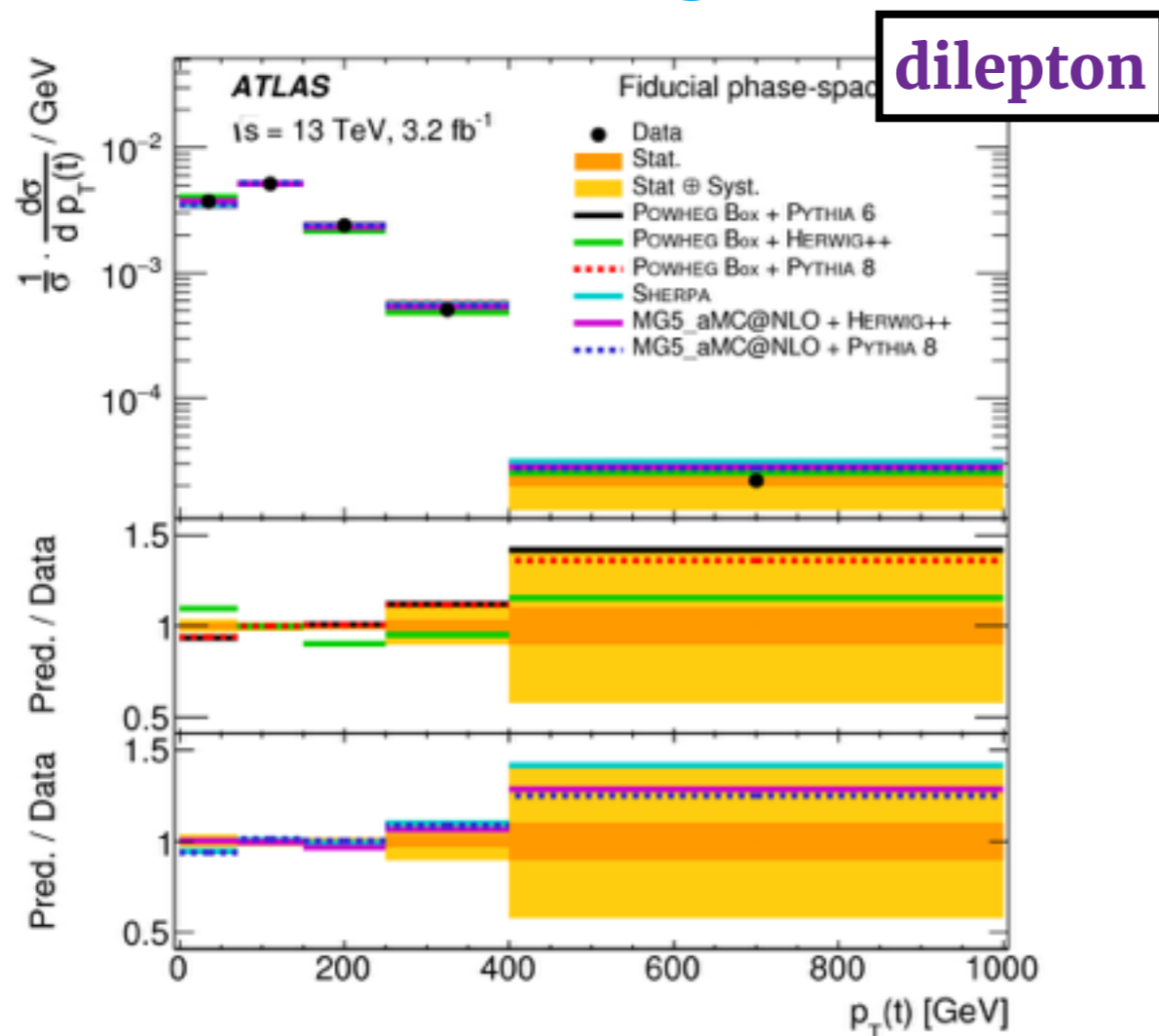
- Particle level, experimental phase-space.
- Jet kinematics and gap fractions.

3) 13 TeV $e\mu$:

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- Particle level, experimental phase-space.
- Top and $t\bar{t}$ kinematics compared to MC predictions.

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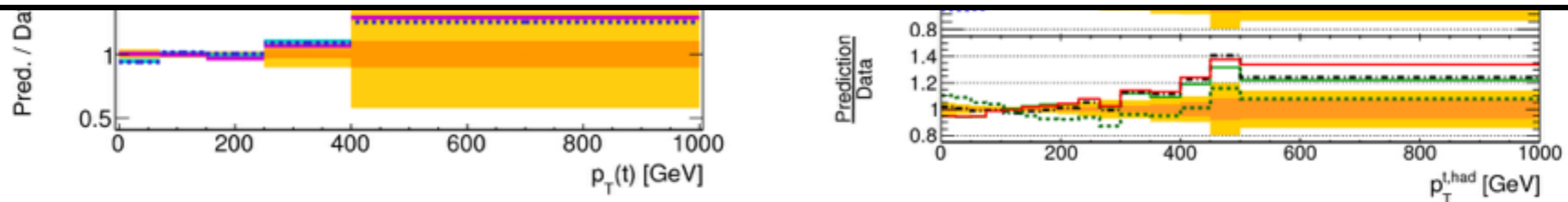


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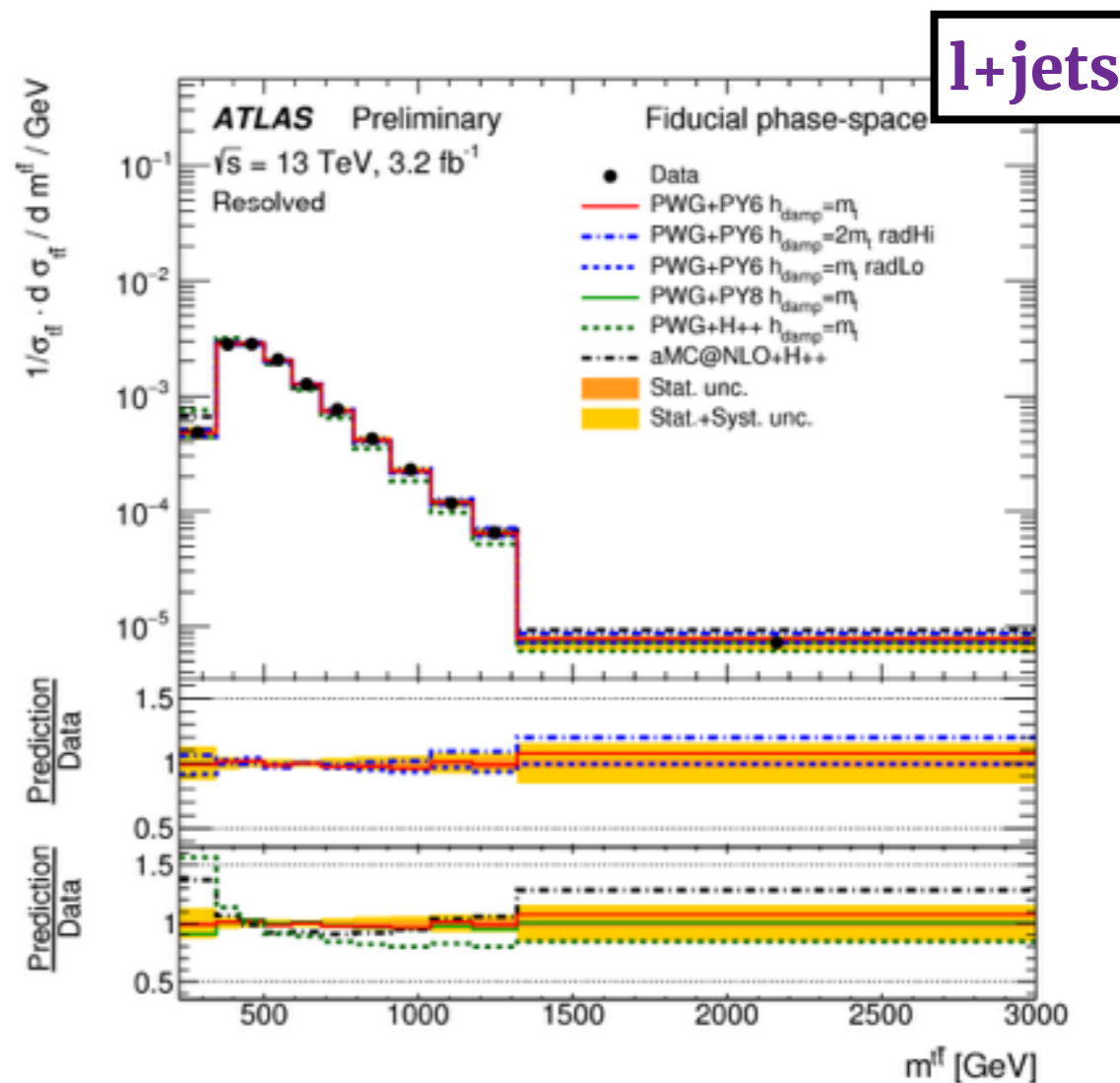
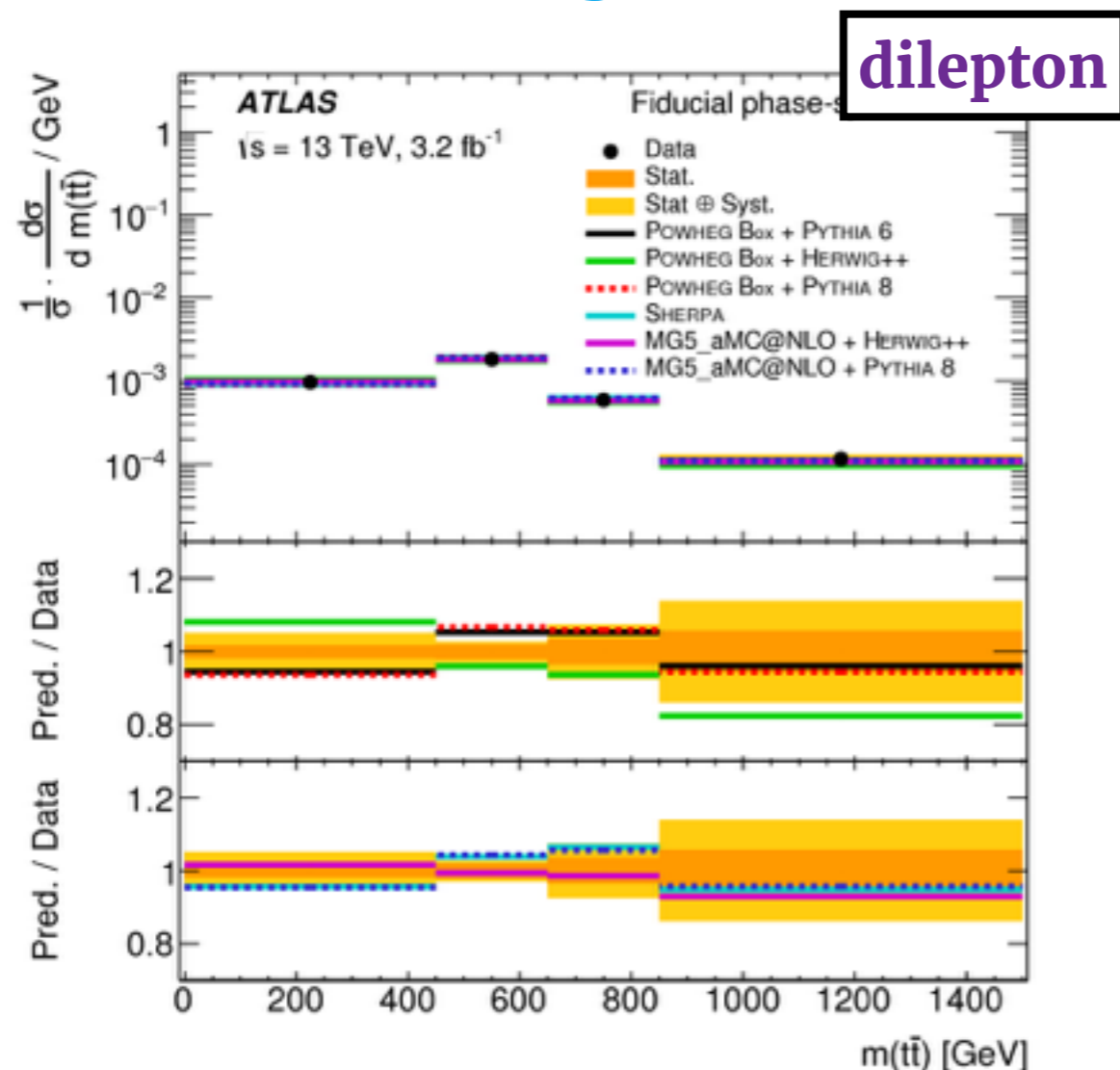


- Disclaimer: These are early 13 TeV results, more advanced generator usage and studies coming later.



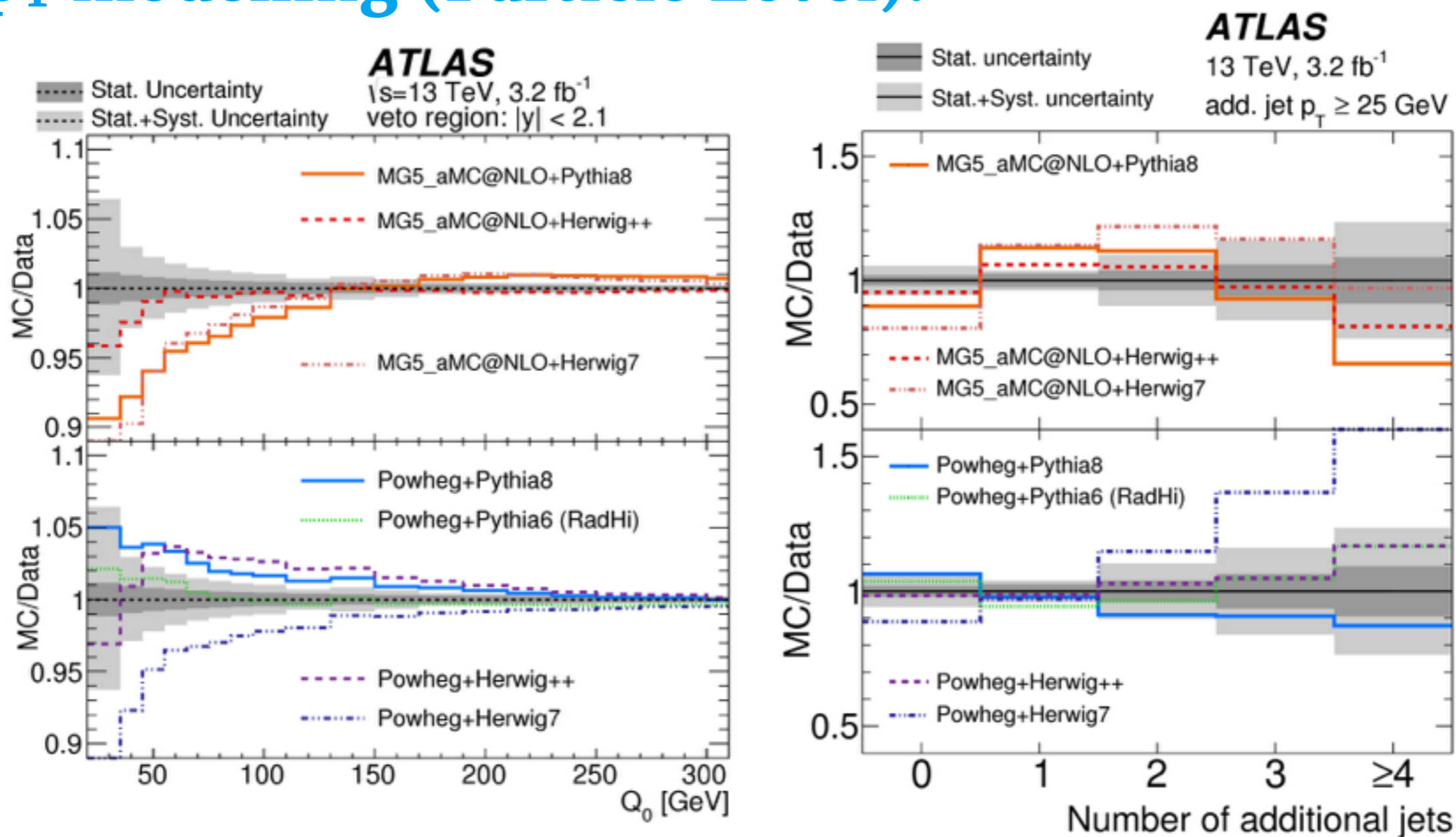
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$M(t\bar{t})$ modelling (Particle Level):



- Things a little better for some $t\bar{t}$ observables, but some setups clearly disfavoured.

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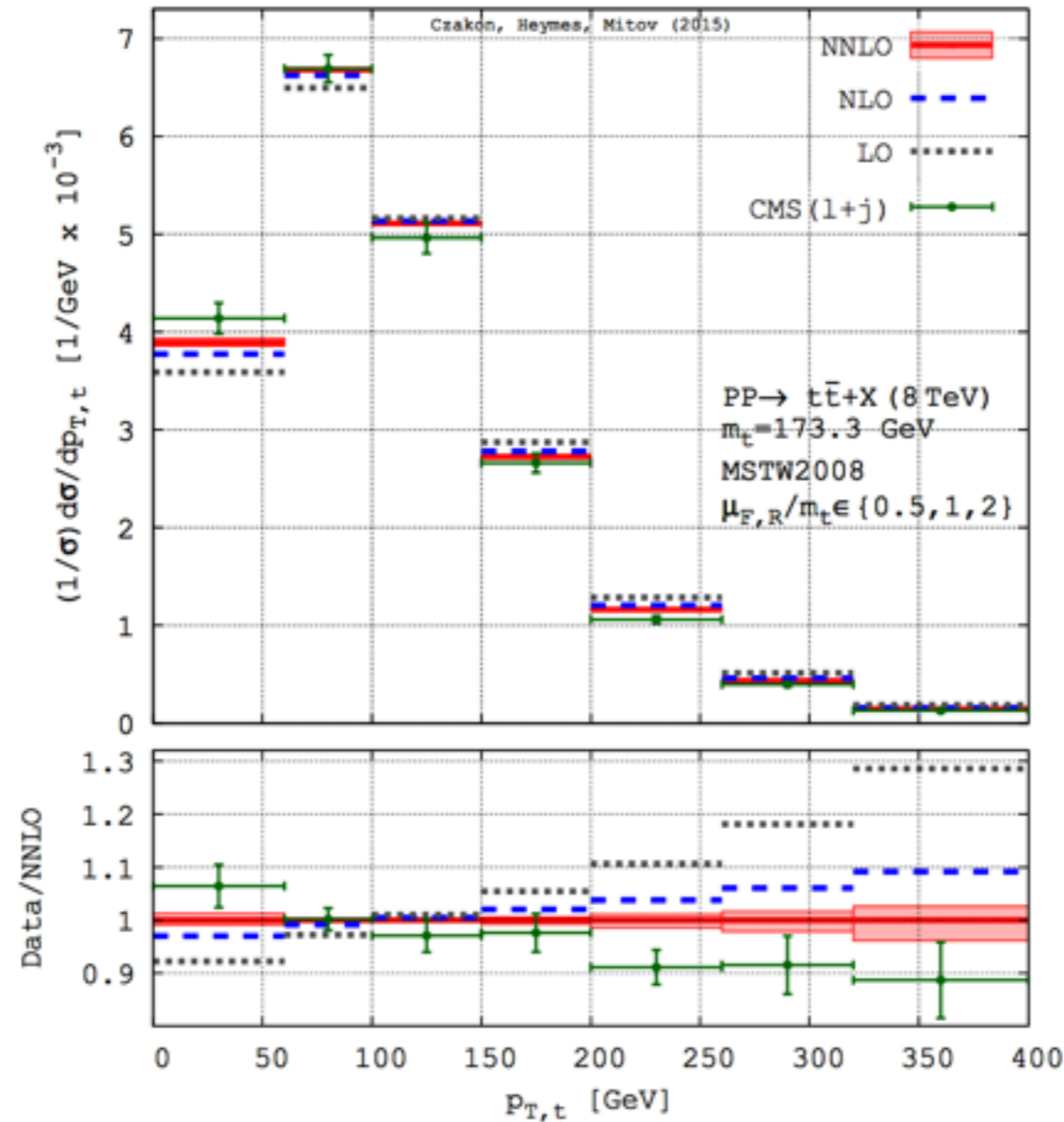


- Problems become more obvious in jet activity.

ATLAS + CMS Comparisons

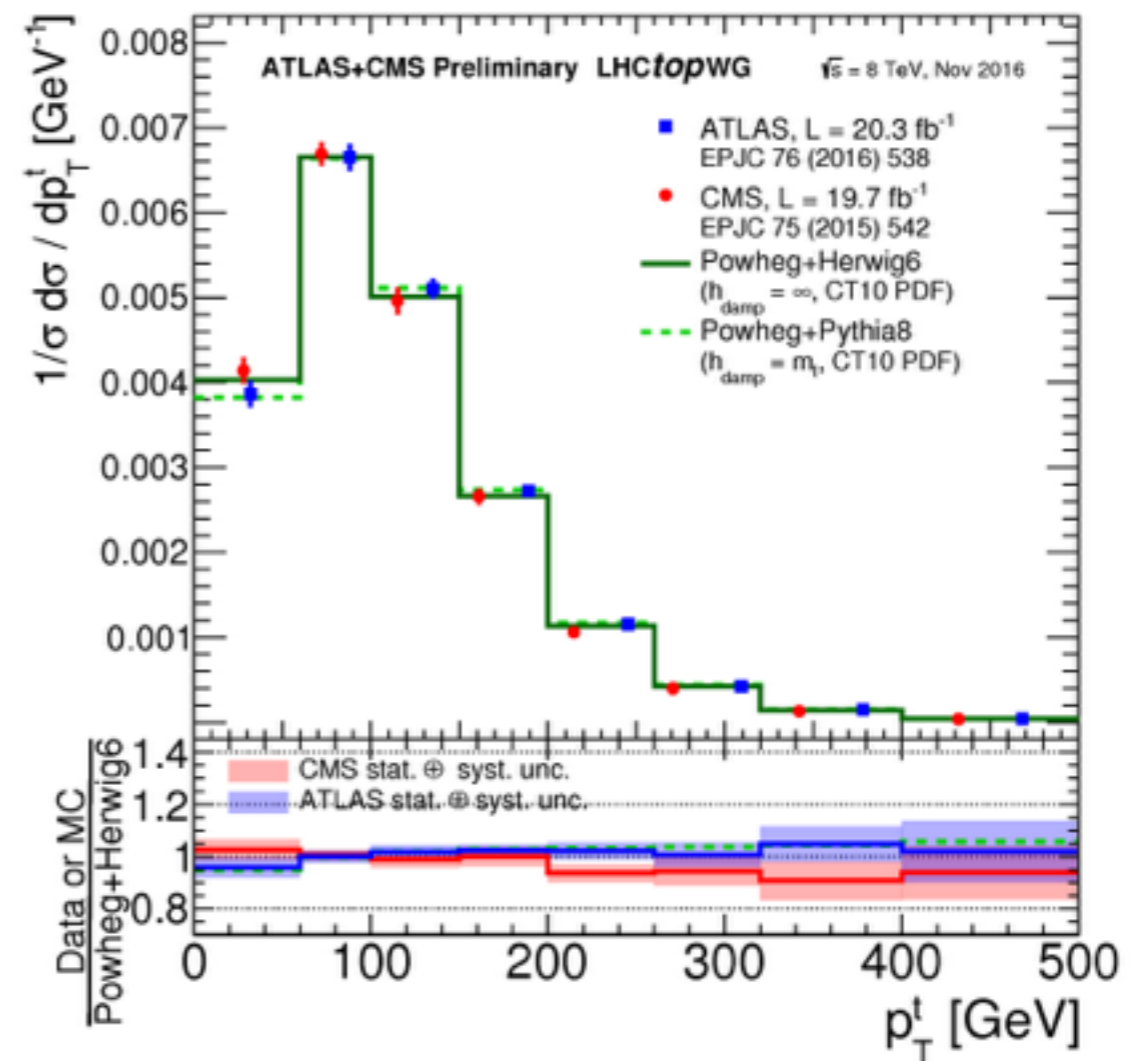
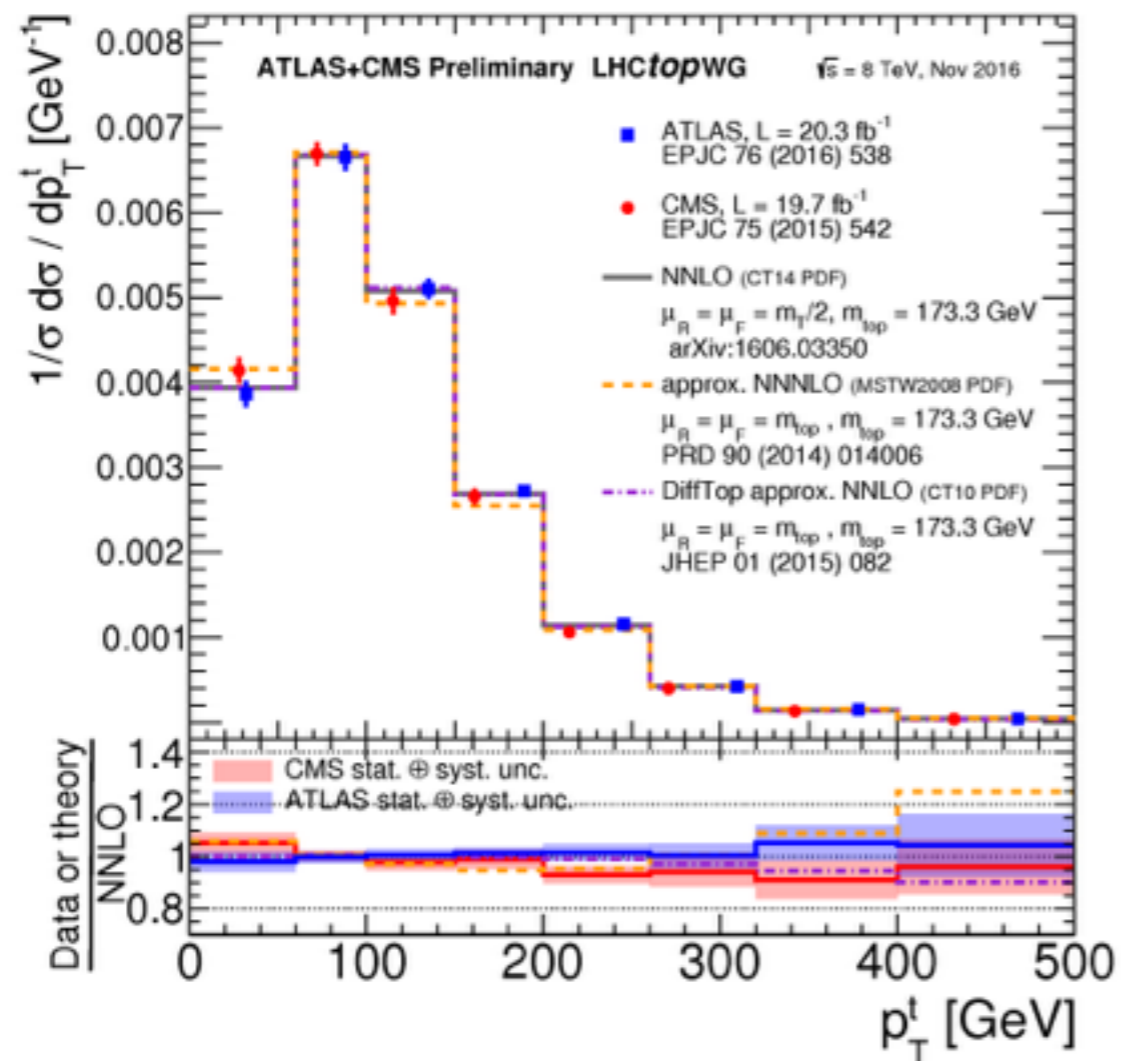
Top at NNLO:

Czakon, Haymes, Mitov (2015)



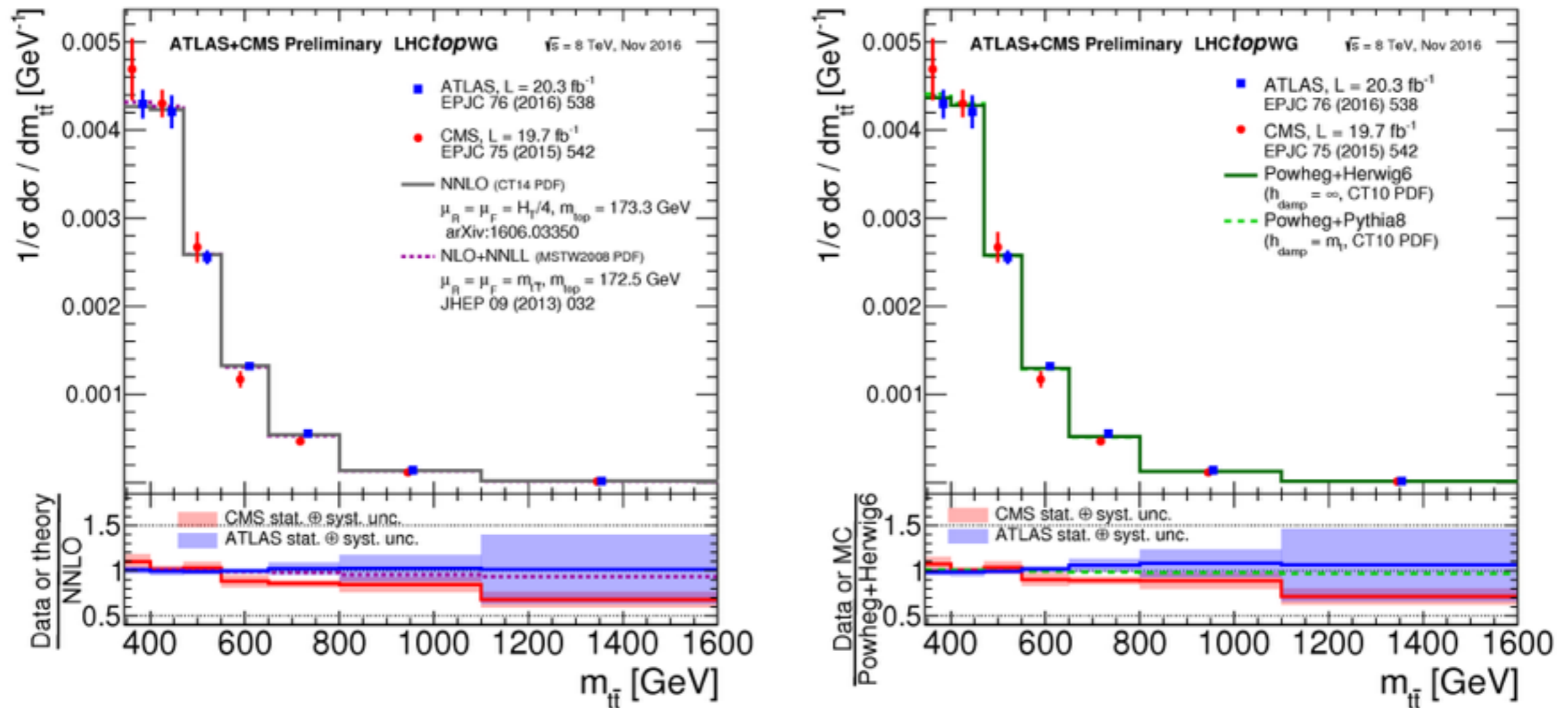
- NNLO predictions necessary to describe top kinematic distributions (for discussion...)

Top p_T comparison:



- Work ongoing to understand compatibility between ATLAS and CMS.

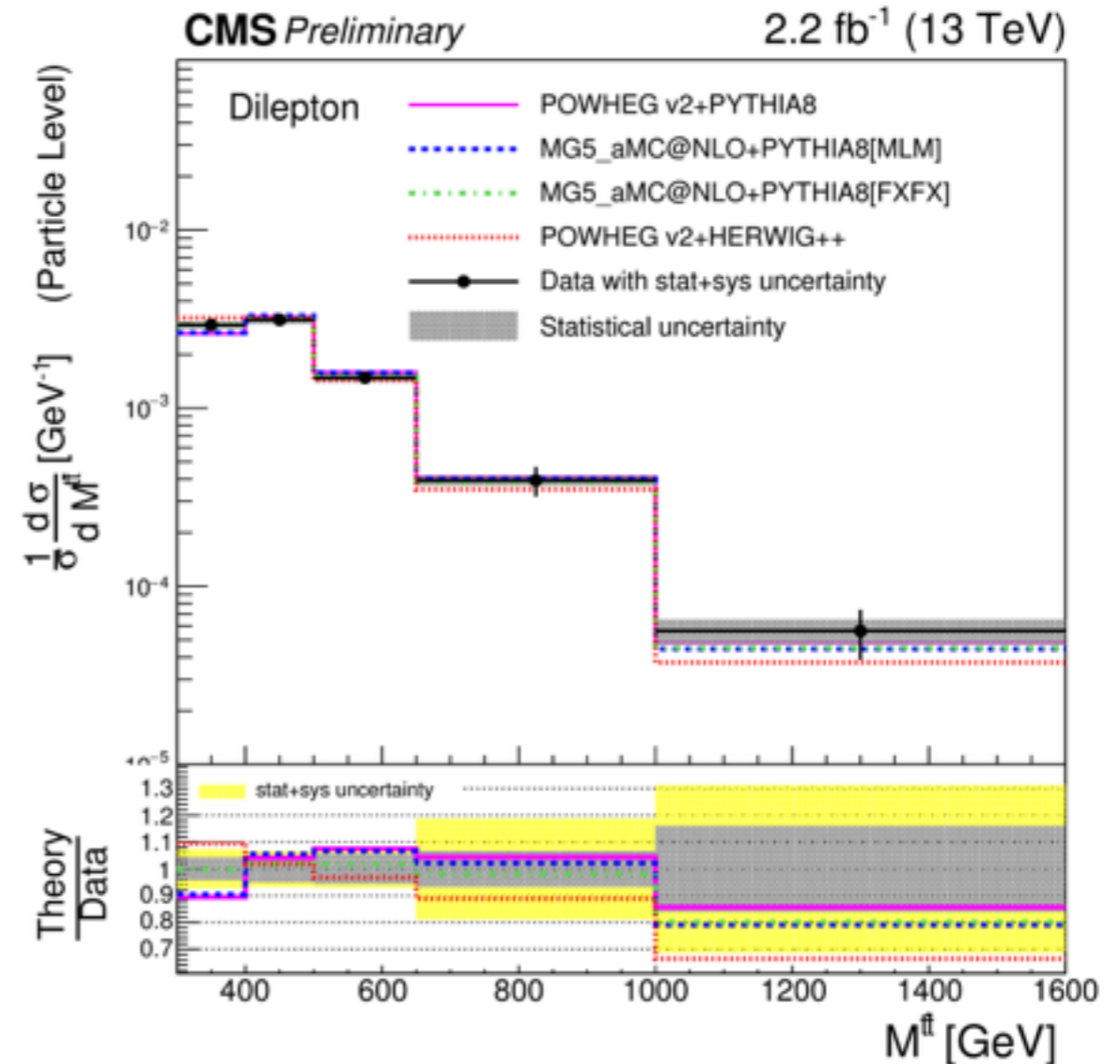
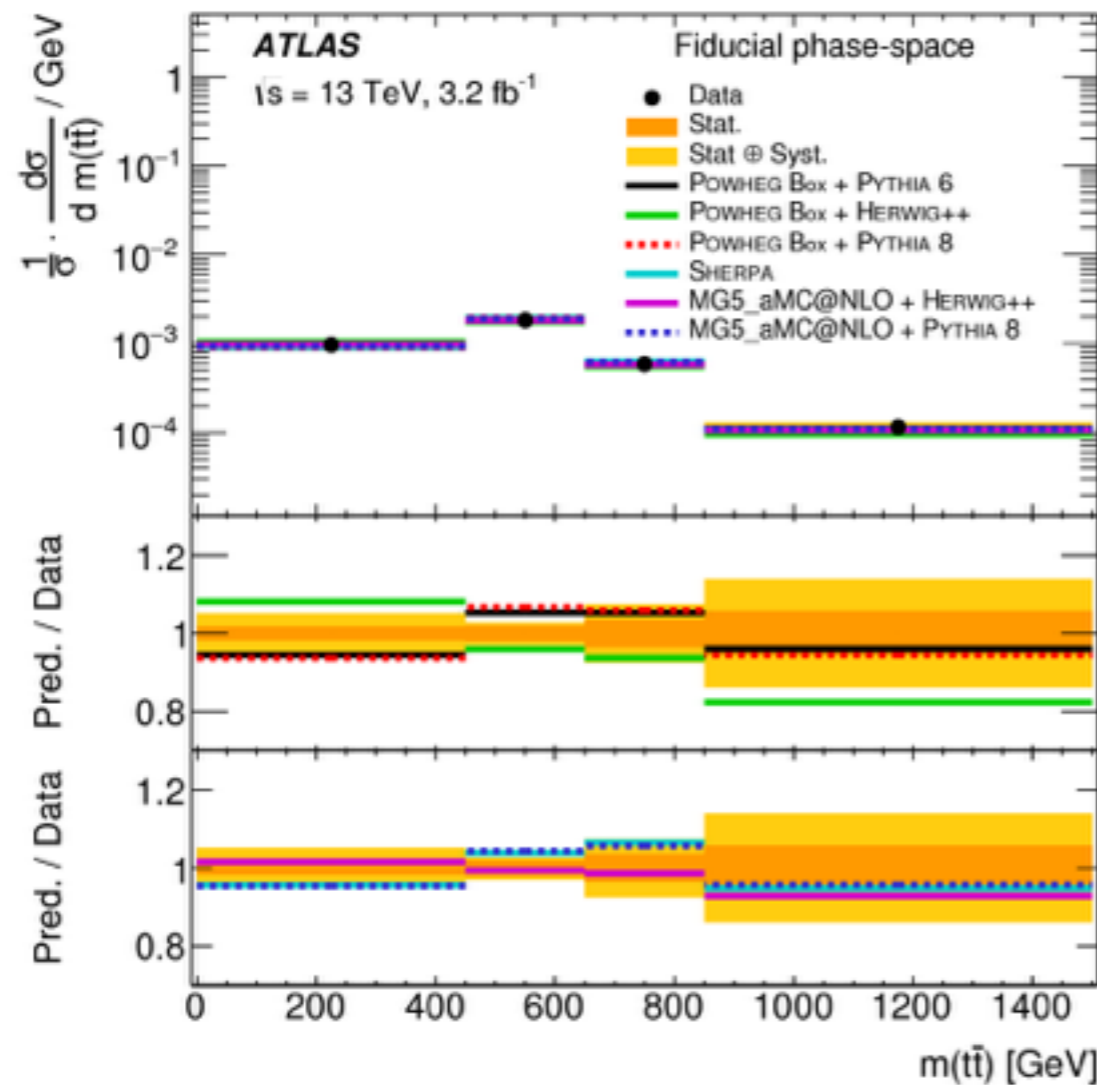
$m(t\bar{t})$ comparison:



- Similar situation in $m(t\bar{t})$, understanding of correlations between analyses is crucial.

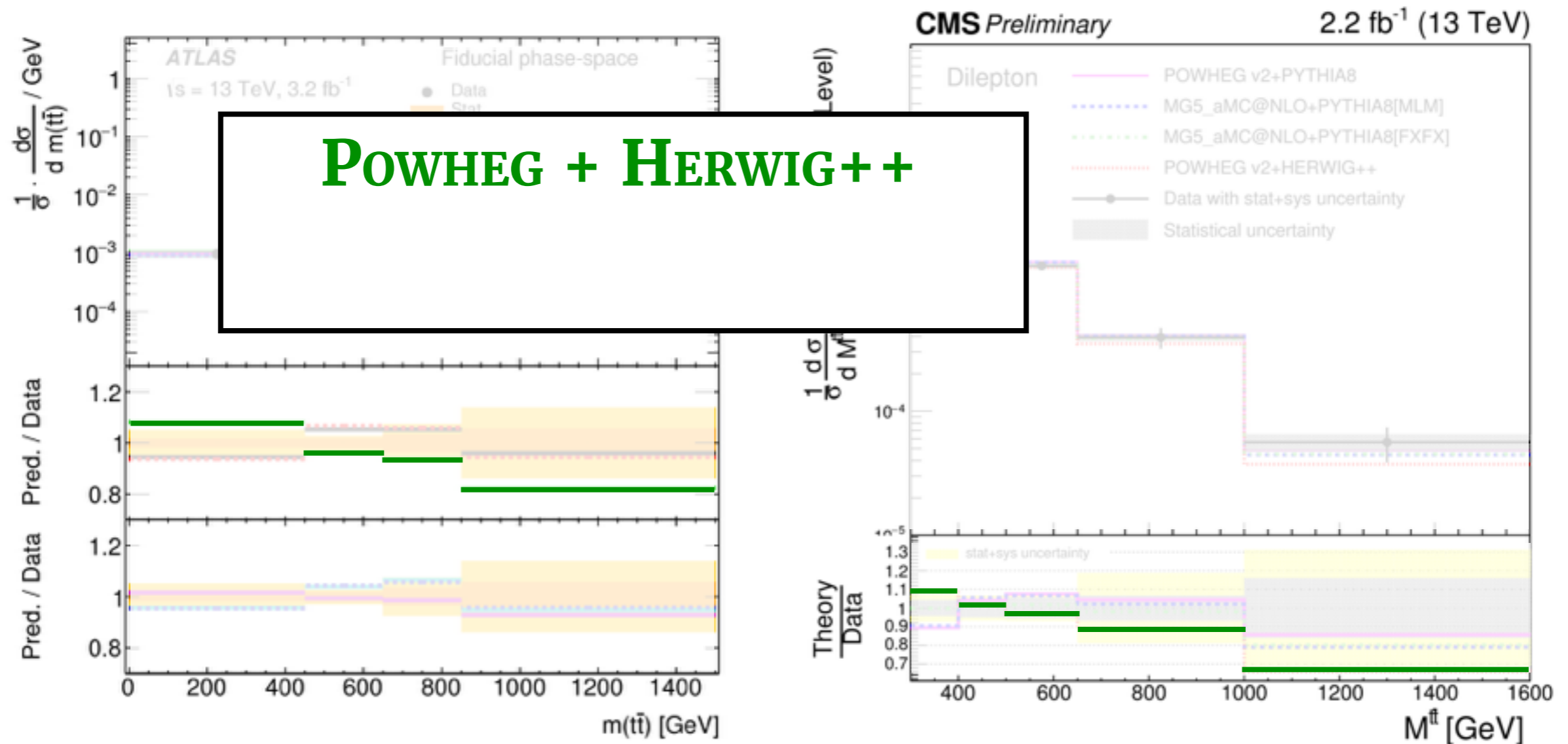
$m(t\bar{t})$ comparison:

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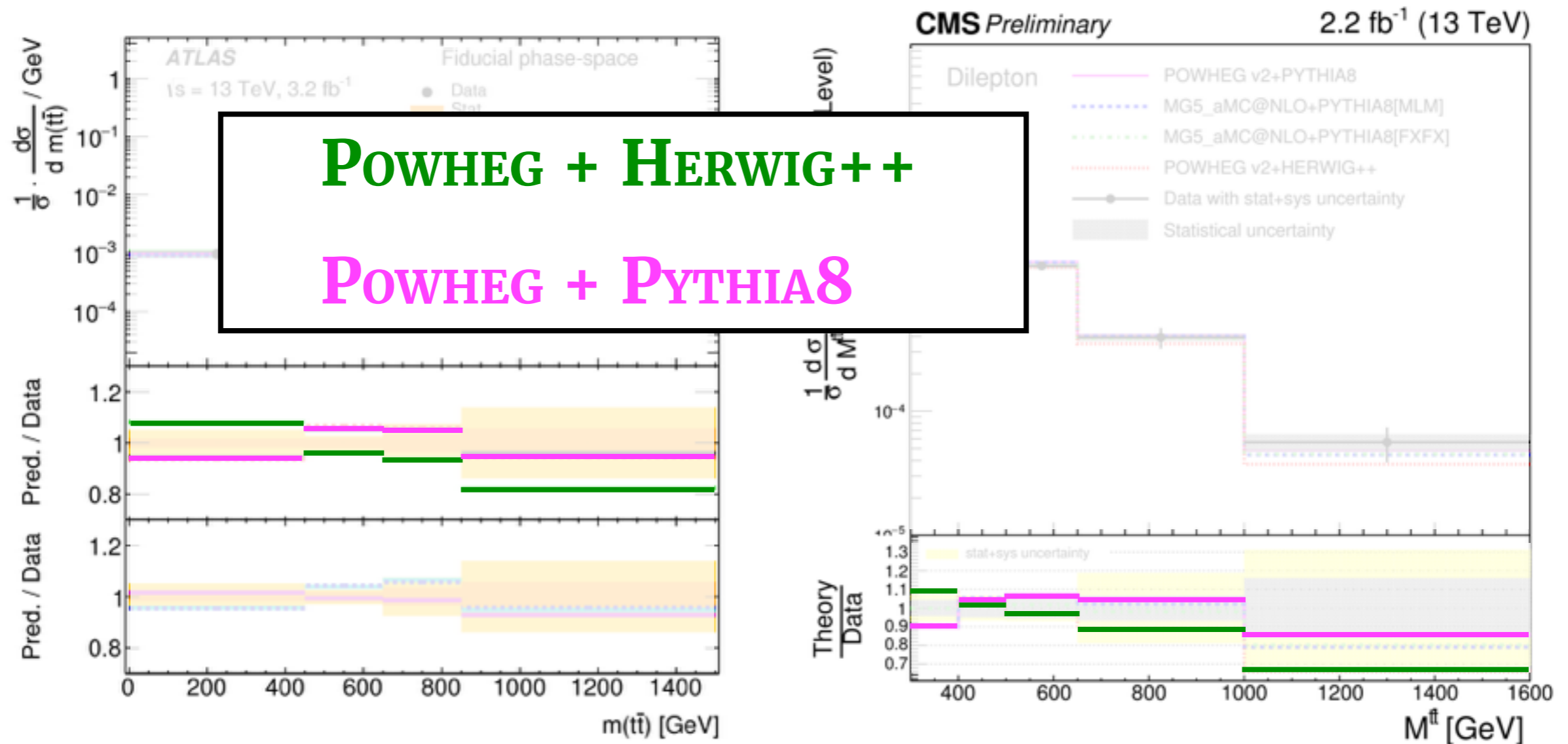
- ATLAS and CMS at 13 TeV see similar trends with data when using comparable generators.

$m(t\bar{t})$ comparison:



- Different binning and ranges, but trend with POWHEG + HERWIG++ w.r.t data looks similar.

$m(t\bar{t})$ comparison:



- Similarly, POWHEG + PYTHIA8 follows similar trends between experiments.

Towards combinations:

- Work ongoing for understanding 8 TeV data.
- Combinations planned for 8TeV (parton) and 13 TeV (particle).

Comparison of results

- Need to carry out full combination to understand agreement between ATLAS and CMS Run1 data.
- Work starting now to also do combinations on 13 TeV data.

CMS PAS TOP-16-021:

- Studies on tuning POWHEG + PYTHIA8.
- Jet kinematics and global event observables.
- 8 TeV and 13 TeV data.

RIVET Routines

13 TeV l+jets (particle) [CMS_2016_I1434354]:

- top, $t\bar{t}$ kinematics and jet multiplicities.

8 TeV dilepton (particle*) [CMS_2015_I1397174]:

- Jet kinematics and gap-fraction.

8 TeV l+jets (particle) [CMS_2015_I1473674]:

- Event-level observables (e.g. MET, H_T).

8 TeV l+jets (particle) [CMS_2015_I1388555]:

- top kinematics.

8 TeV l+jets (particle) [CMS_2016_PAS_TOP_15_006]:

- $t\bar{t}$ differential cross-section vs. njets.

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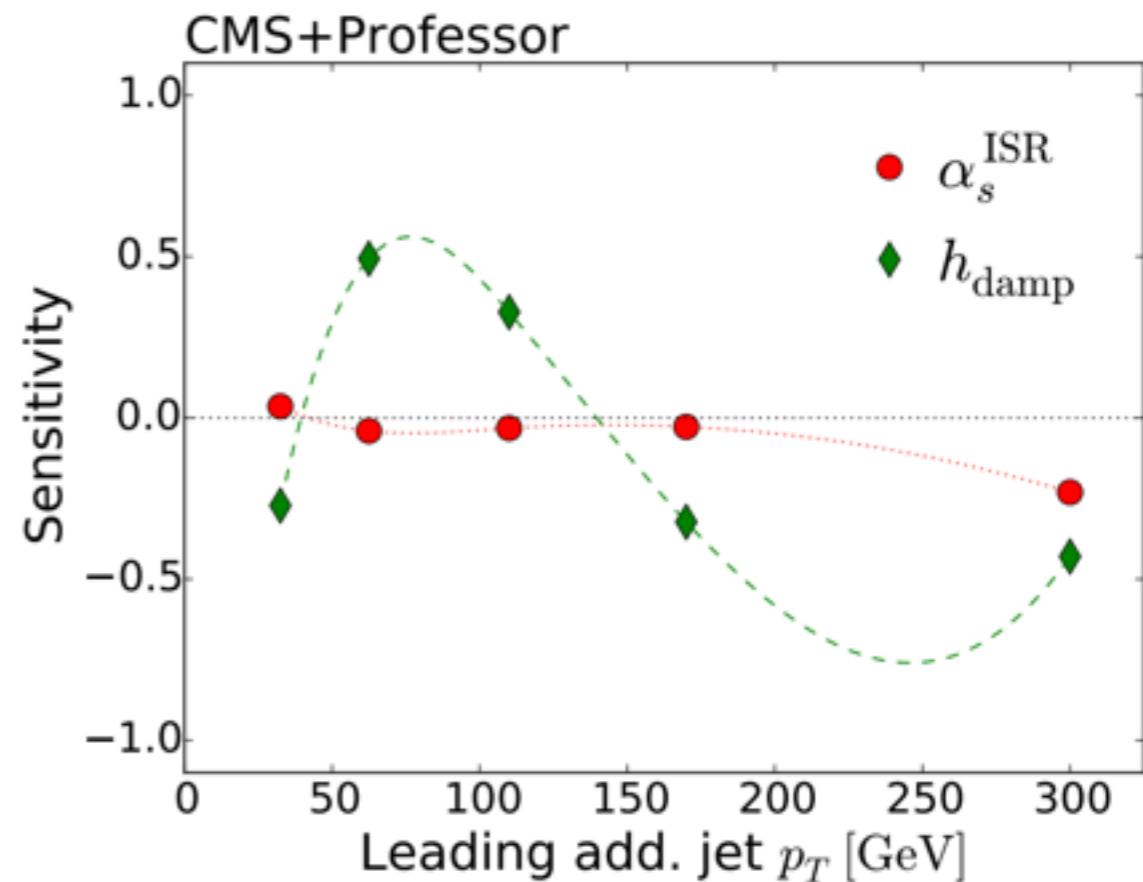
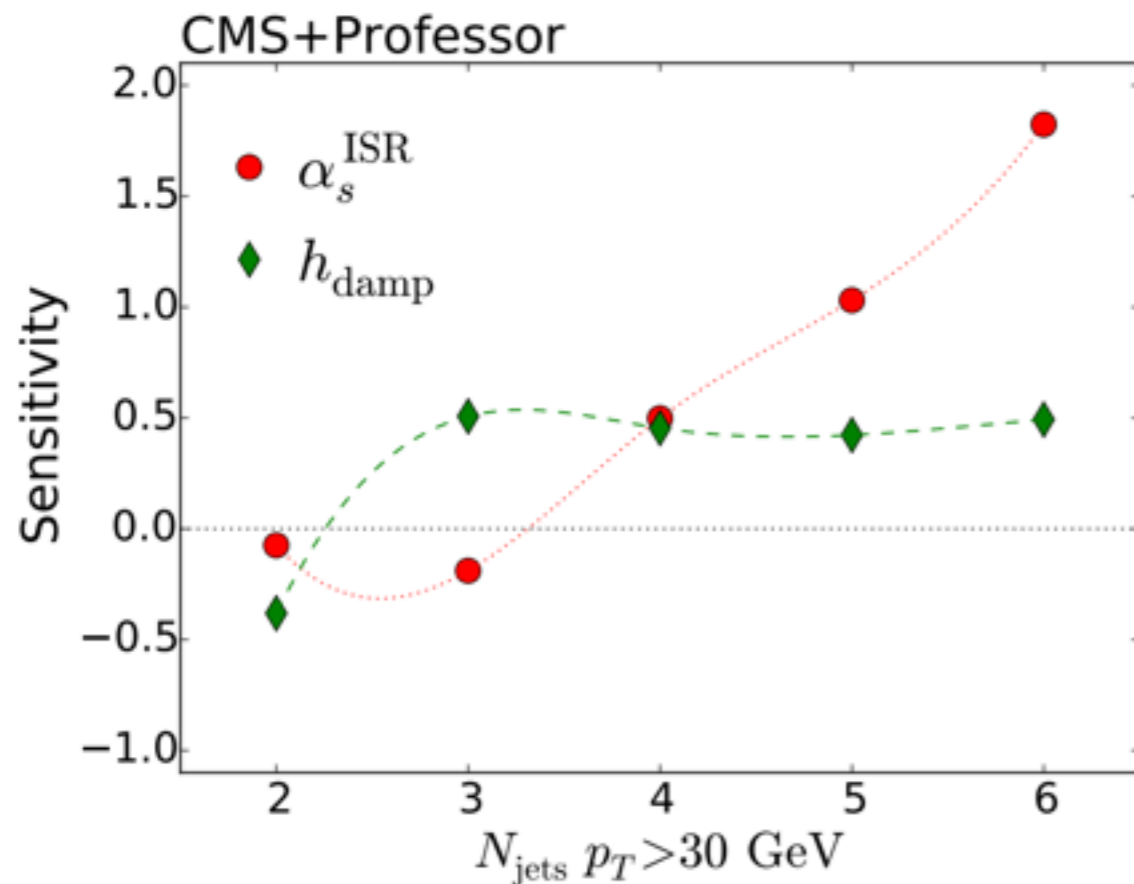
POWHEG Tuning

Professor:

- 55 anchor points:

➡ h_{damp} : 0.25/0.50/1.00/2.00/4.00

➡ $\alpha_s(\text{ISR})$: 0.05–0.15 (0.01 steps)

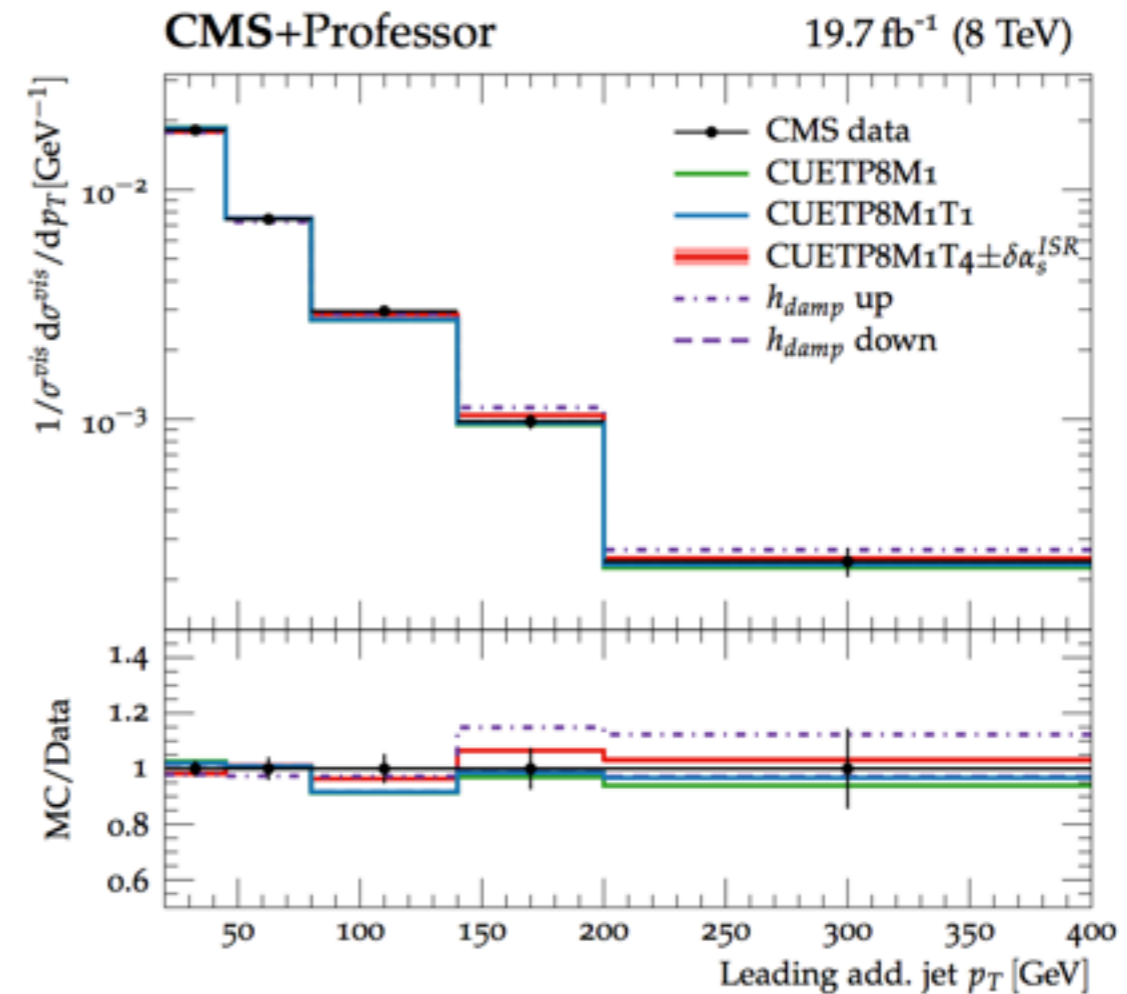
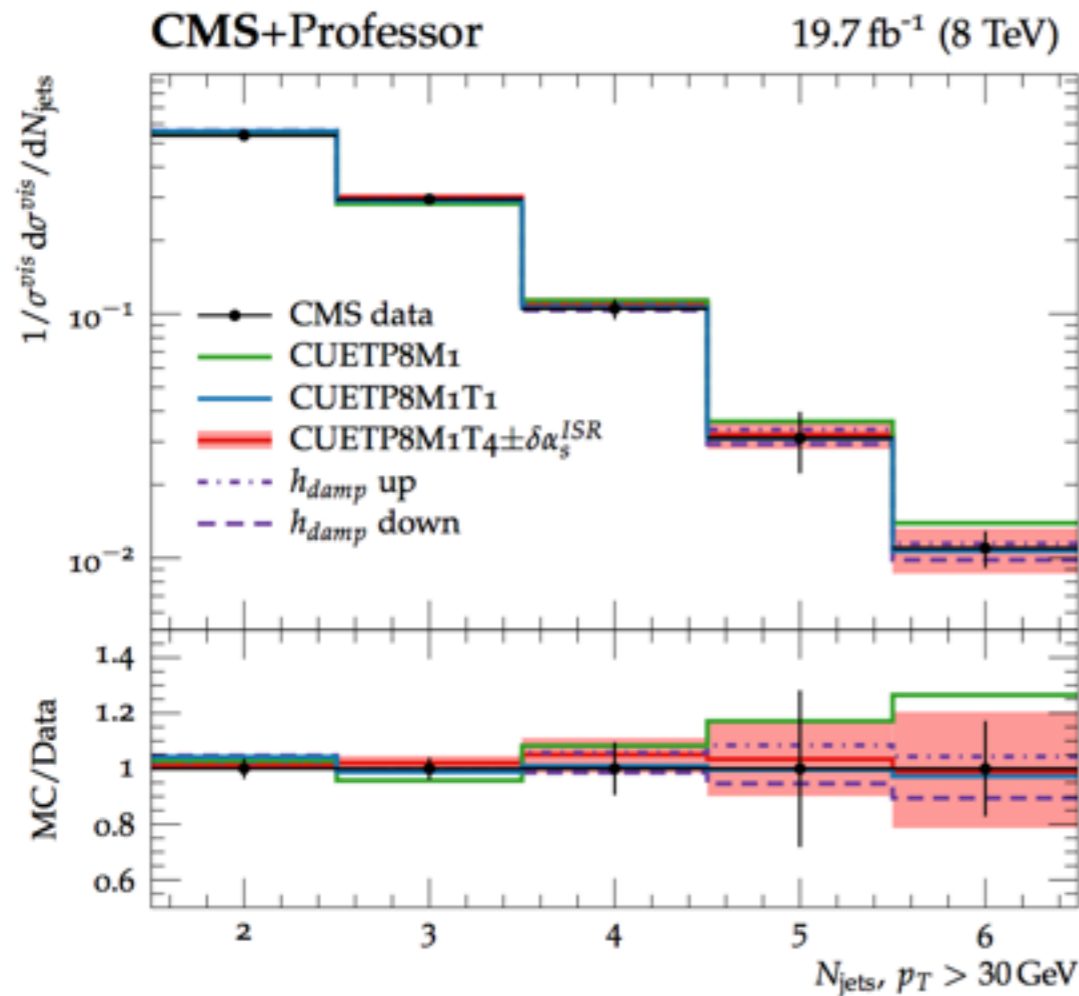


POWHEG Tuning

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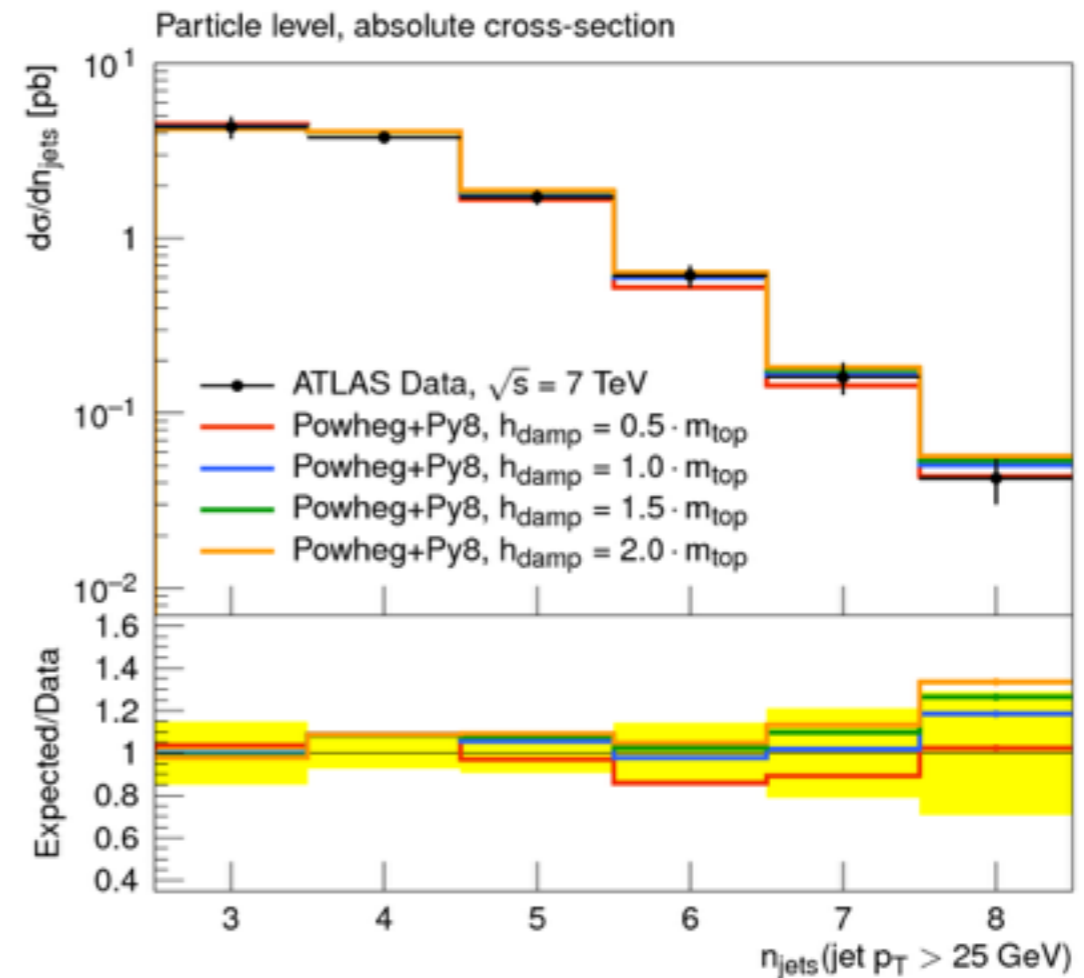
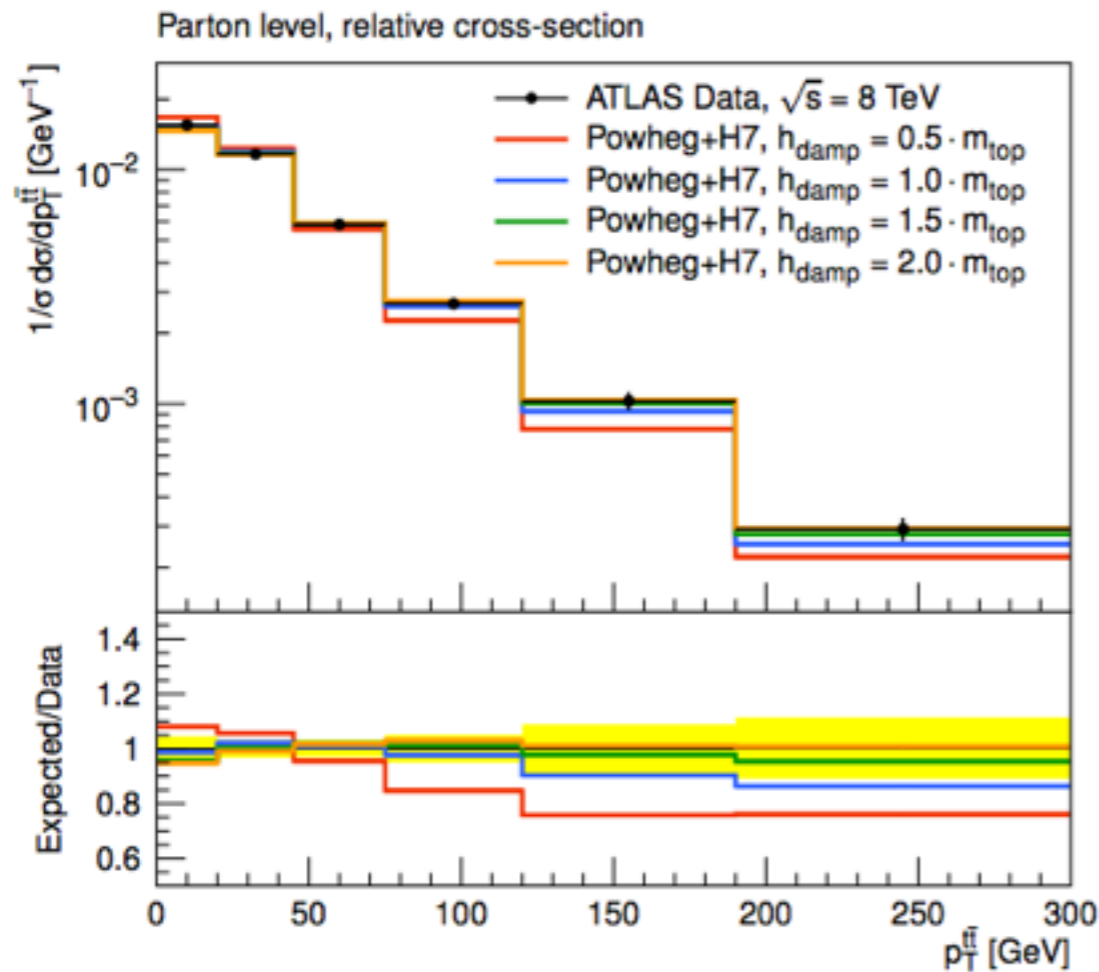
$$\alpha_s^{\text{ISR}} = 0.1108_{-0.0142}^{+0.0145}$$



- Data prefers lower setting of $\alpha_s(\text{ISR})$ and higher setting of h_{damp} .

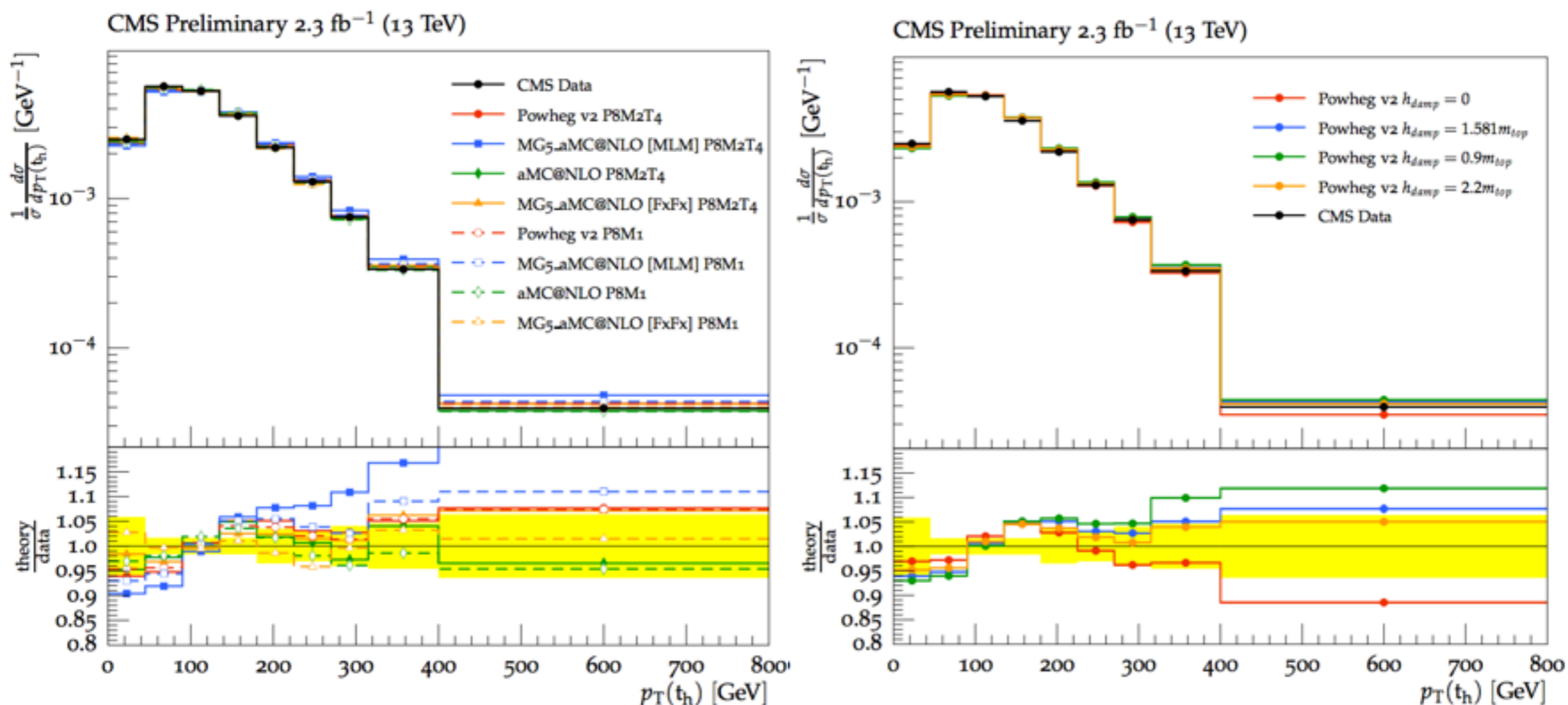
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- ATLAS tuning sees comparable results for h_{damp} (see note [ATL-PHYS-PUB-2016-20](#)).

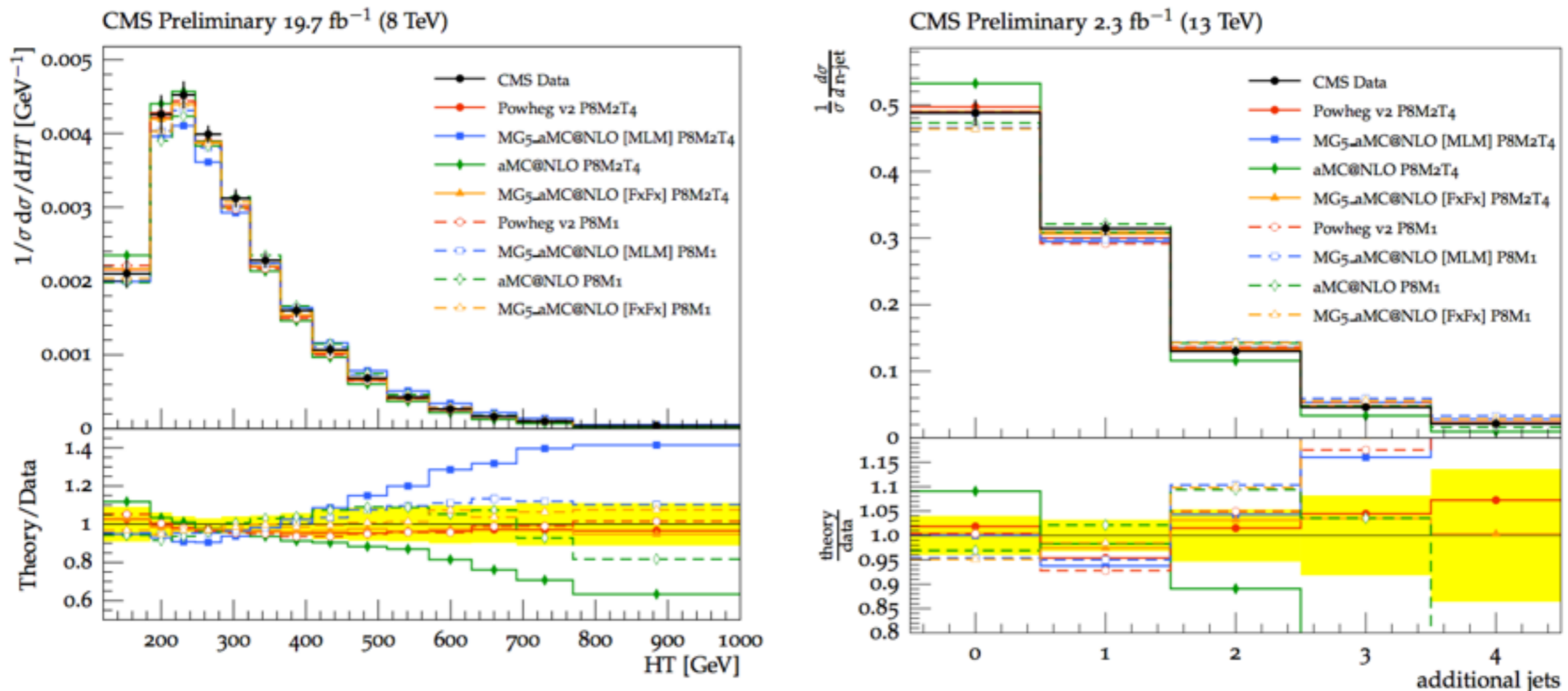
Comparison with other generators:



- LO MG5_aMC@NLO with MLM and new tune fails to describe data.

Monte Carlo settings

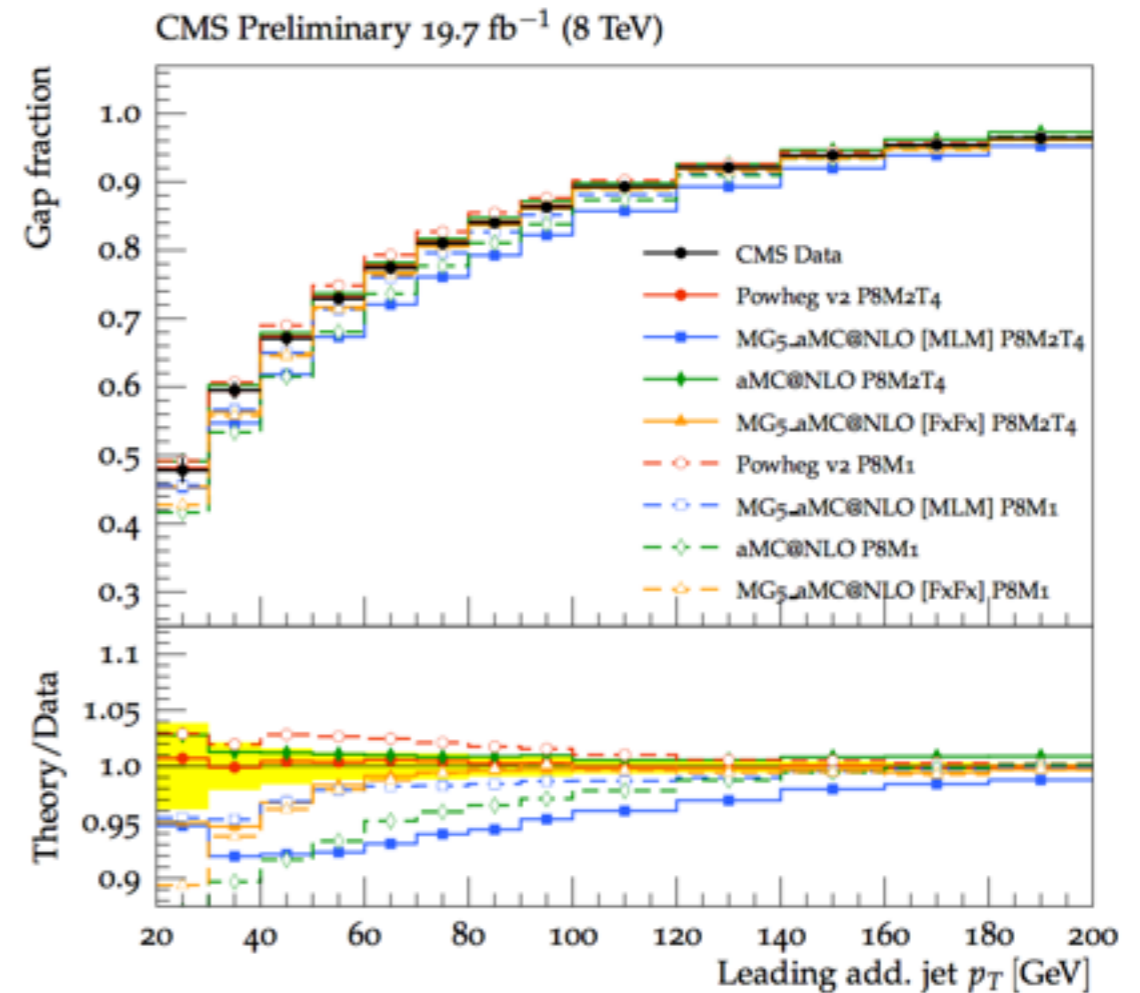
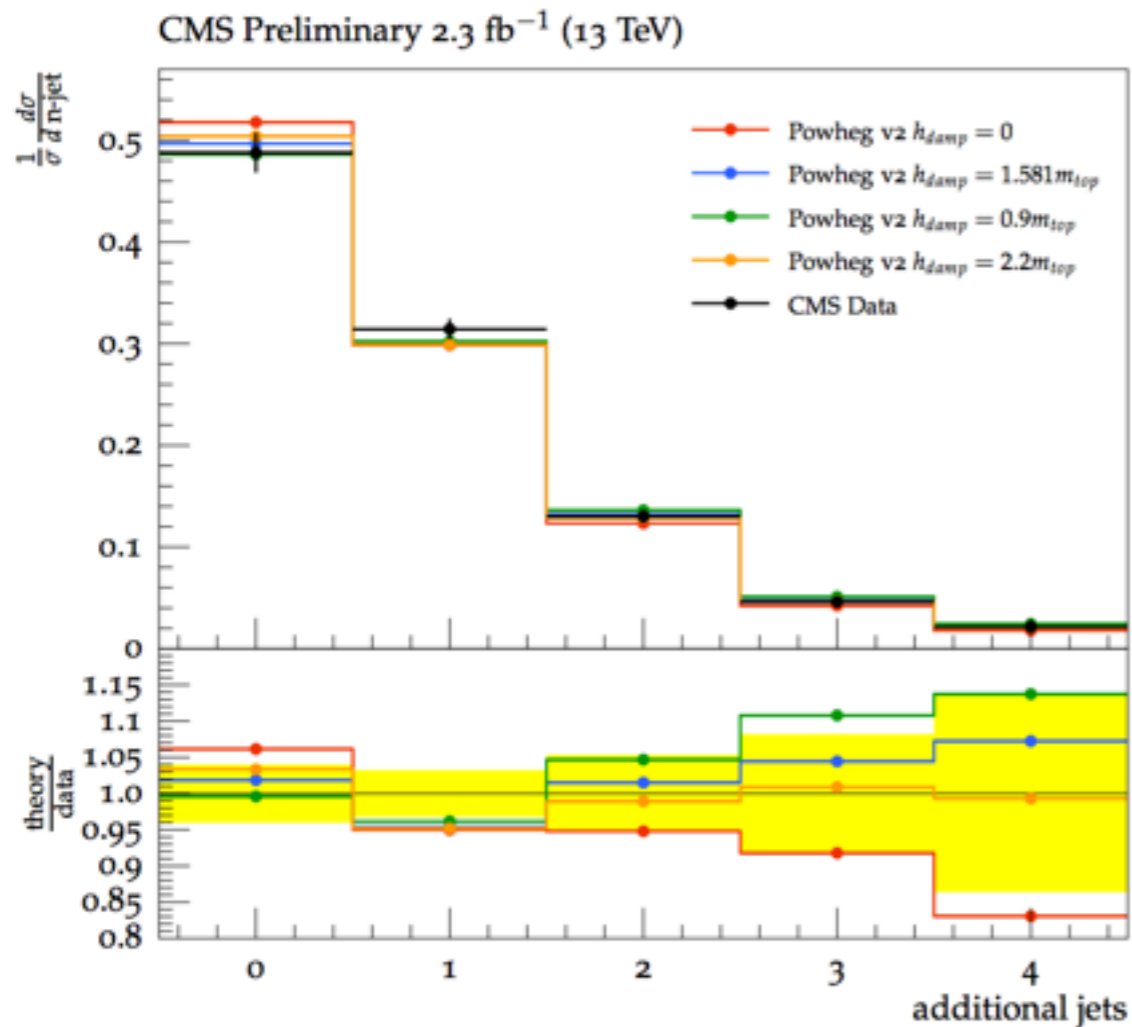
Comparison with other generators:



- POWHEG and MG5_aMC@NLO [FxFx] with new tune seem describe most event-level observables well.

Monte Carlo settings

Comparison with other generators:



- Some interesting `MG5_aMC@NLO` behaviour in gap fraction data.

[ATL-PHYS-PUB-2016-20:](#)

- Studies on tuning POWHEG + PYTHIA8/HERWIG7.
- Studies on single-top interference.

[ATL-PHYS-PUB-2016-16:](#)

- Studies on MG5_aMC@NLO + PYTHIA8 with FxFx.
- Studies on SHERPA and POWHEG + HERWIG7.

[ATL-PHYS-PUB-2017-007\(new!\):](#)

- Studies on MG5_aMC@NLO + PYTHIA8, 13 TeV data.
- Studies on SHERPA using 13 TeV data.

13 TeV differential jet activity in $e\mu$ + jets (particle):

- Published, RIVET routine not yet public.

13 TeV top kinematics in 1+jets (particle):

- Soon to be published (preliminary result public).

8 TeV 1+jets [ATLAS_2015_I1404878]:

- Published, particle and parton.

MC only top kinematics in 1+jets (particle):

- Same phase-space as above results.

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Tuning Sherpa 2.2.1

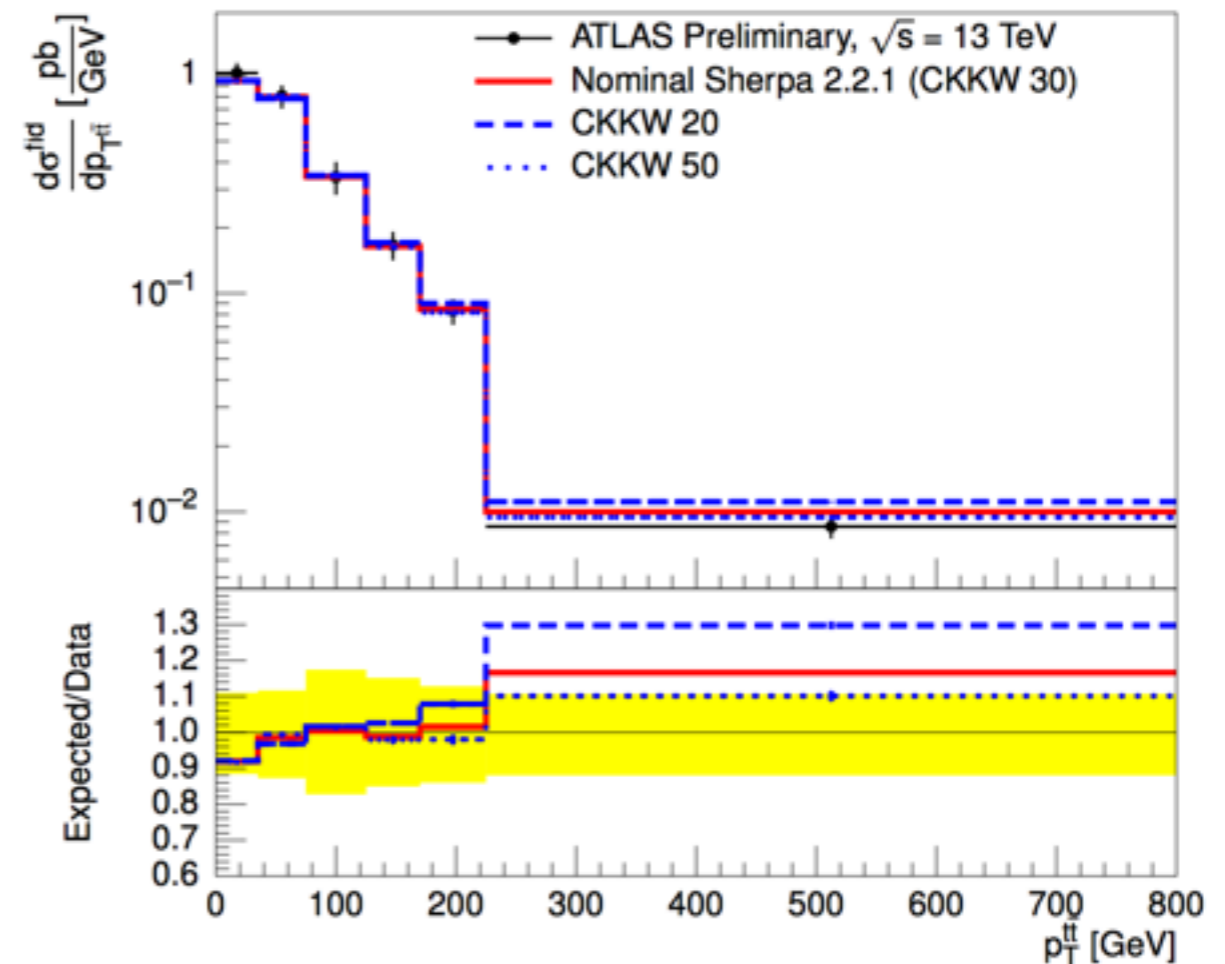
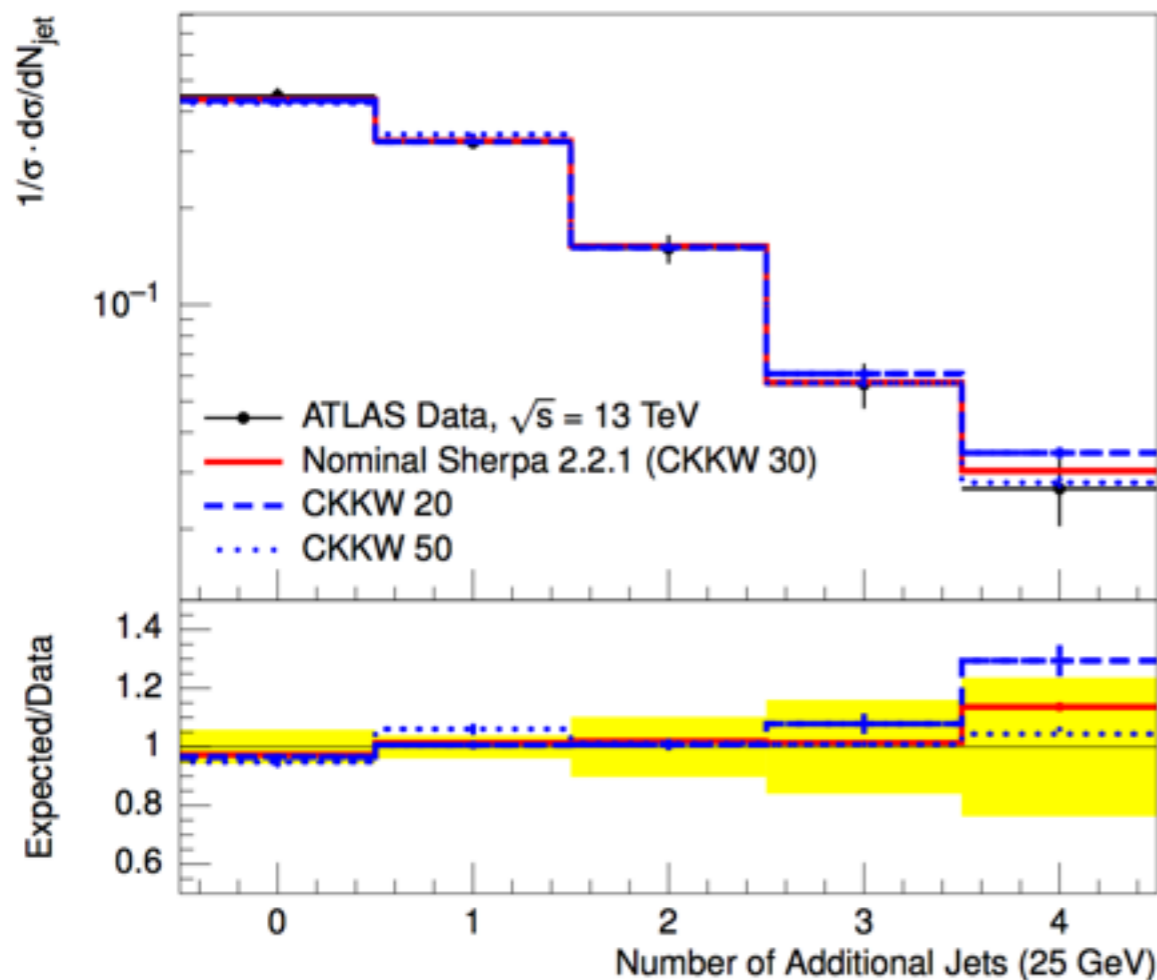
Setup:

- MEPS@NLO interfaced to Openloops, using default shower.
- Central scale $\mu^2 = m(t)^2 + 0.5(p_T(t)^2 + p_T(\bar{t})^2)$

Variations:

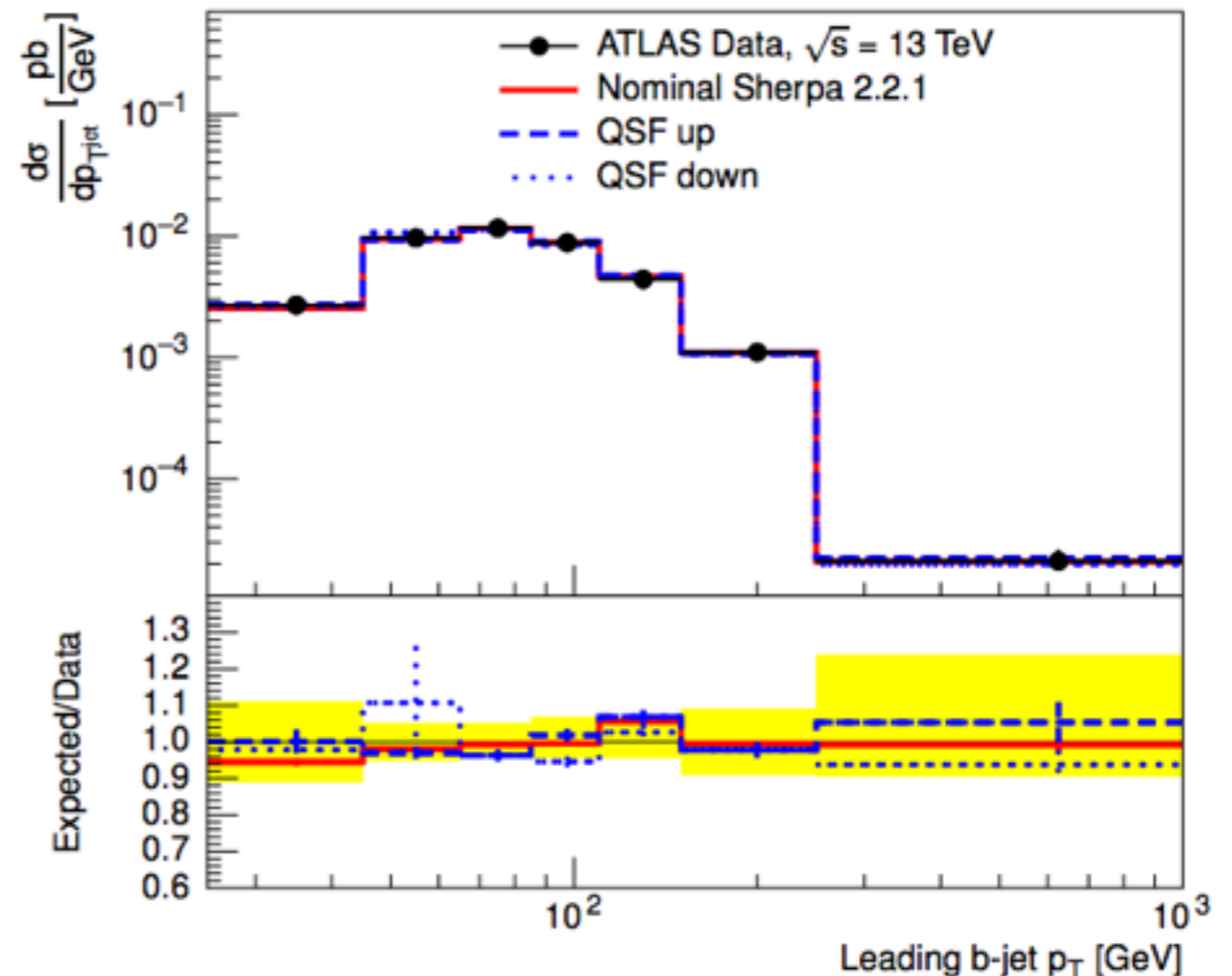
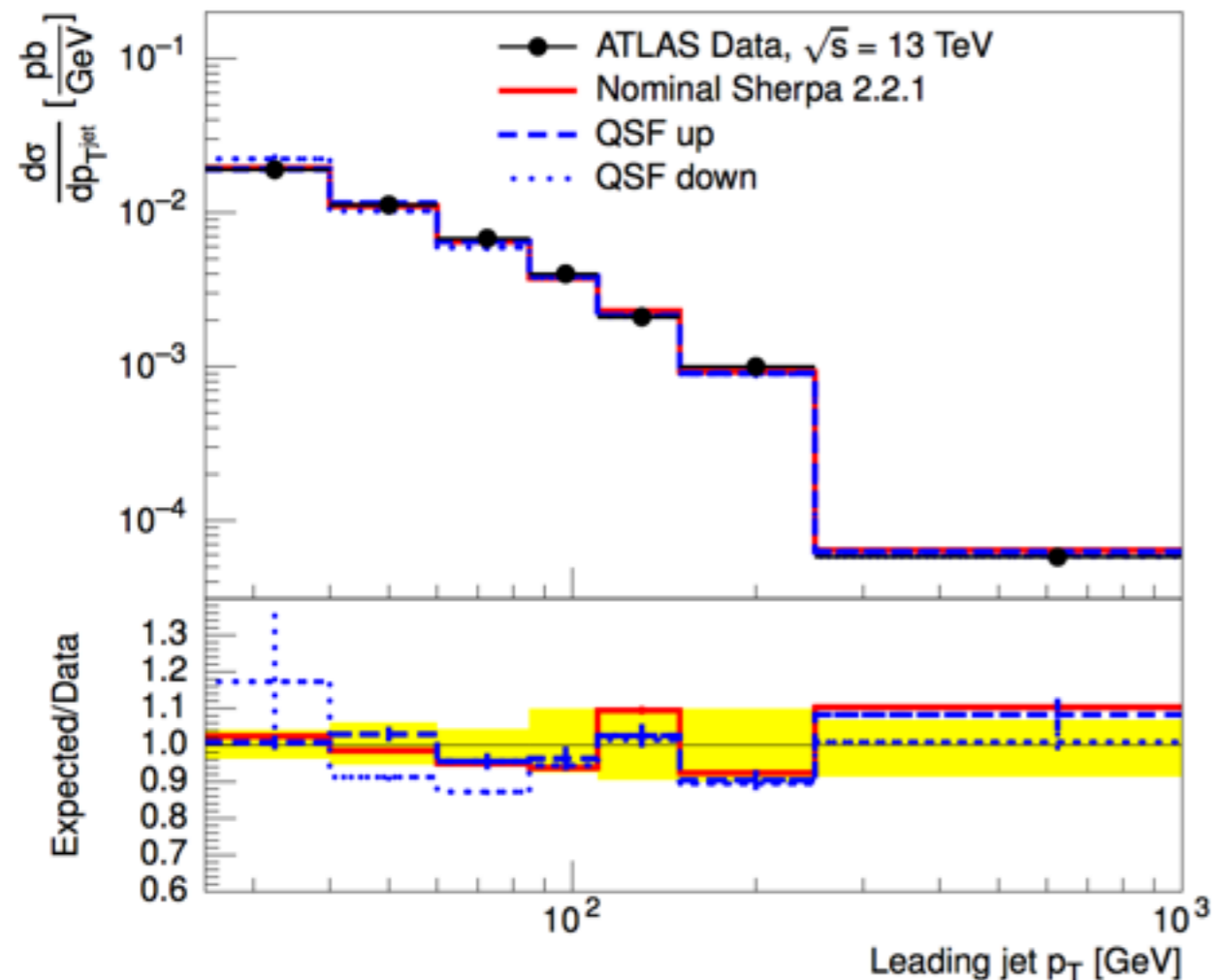
- ME matching scale (CKKW): → 20 GeV : 30 GeV : 50 GeV
- Resummation scale (QSF): → 0.5 : 2.0
- Recoil scheme: → default vs. alternative
- α_s SF in initial state evolution: → 0.5 vs. 1.0
- Heavy Baryon Enhancement: → 4 vs. 1
- Scale variations μ_F/μ_R : → 0.5 : 1.0 : 2.0

Matching Scale:



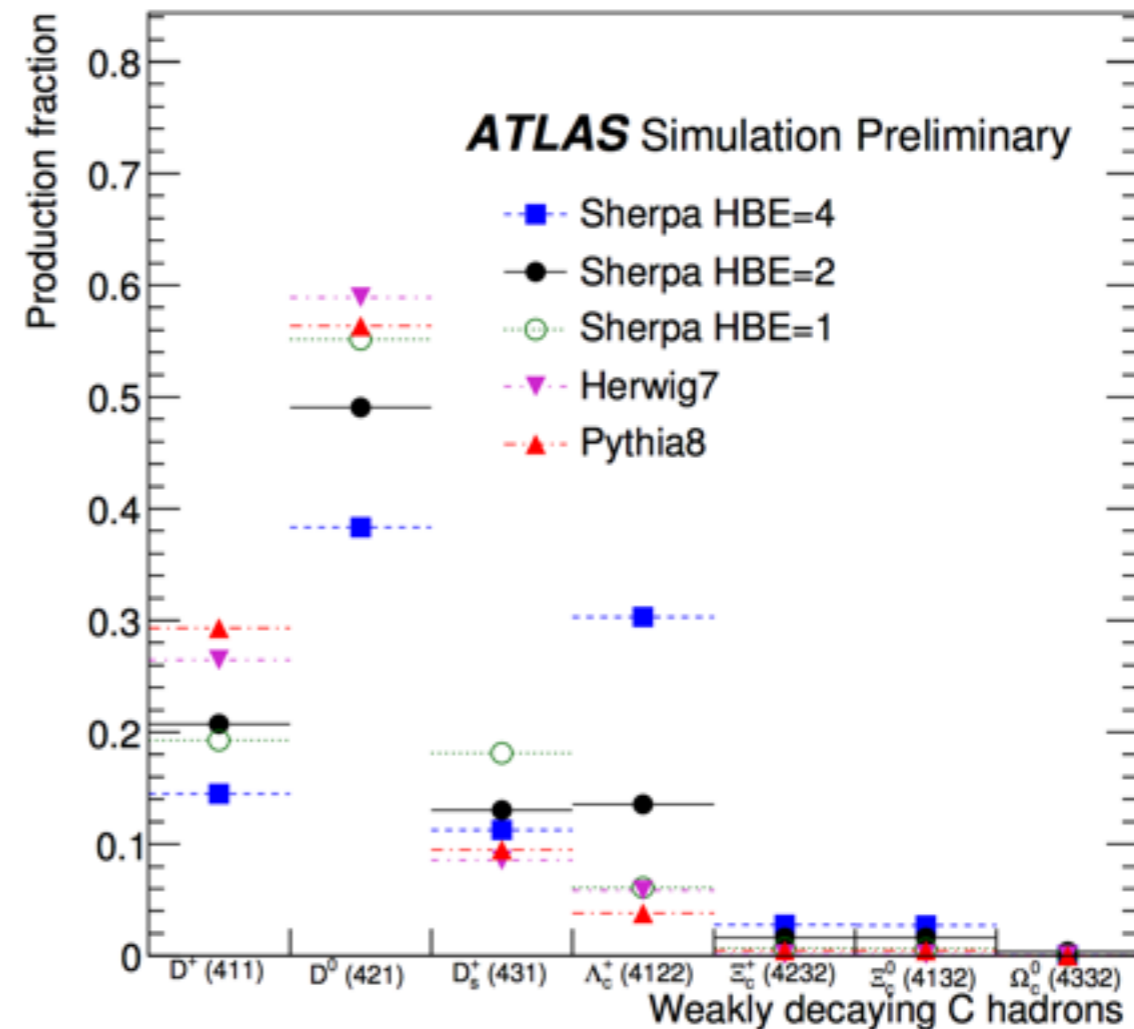
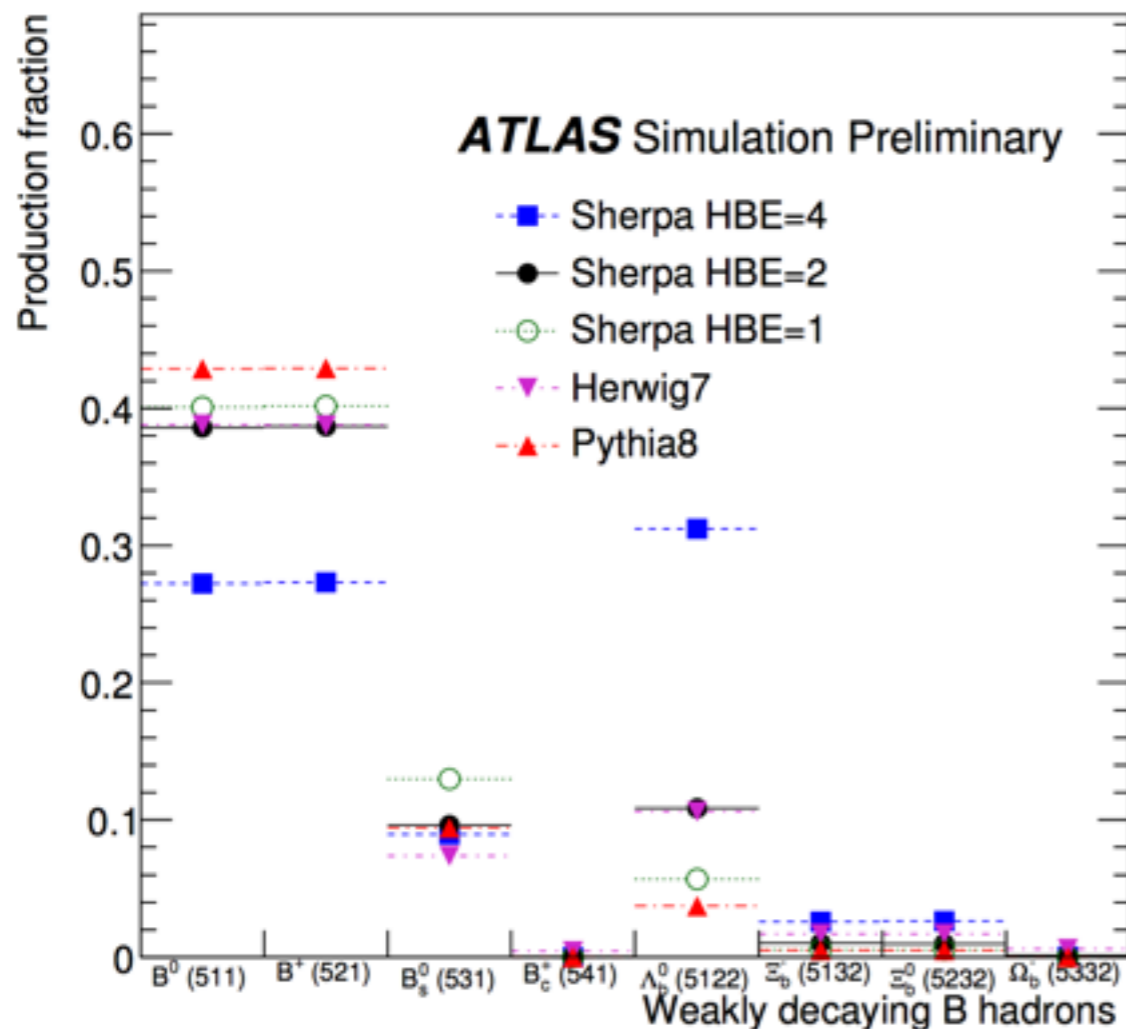
- Small deviations where PS is dominant effect. Perhaps slight $p_T(t\bar{t})$ improvement possible.

Resummation Scale:



- Maybe slight disagreement with QSF Down at low jet p_T but bjet p_T looks reasonable.

HBE Simulation only:



- Significant differences in observed heavy flavour species with different settings (and MCs).

HBE:

Species	SHERPAV2.2 HBE=4	SHERPAV2.2 HBE=1	PYTHIA8	HERWIG 7	World Average[24]
B^+	27.3	40.1	42.9	38.8	40.4 ± 0.6
B^0	27.2	40.1	42.9	38.7	40.4 ± 0.6
B_s^0	9.0	13.0	9.4	7.4	10.3 ± 0.5
Baryons	36.5	6.8	4.8	15.1	8.8 ± 1.2

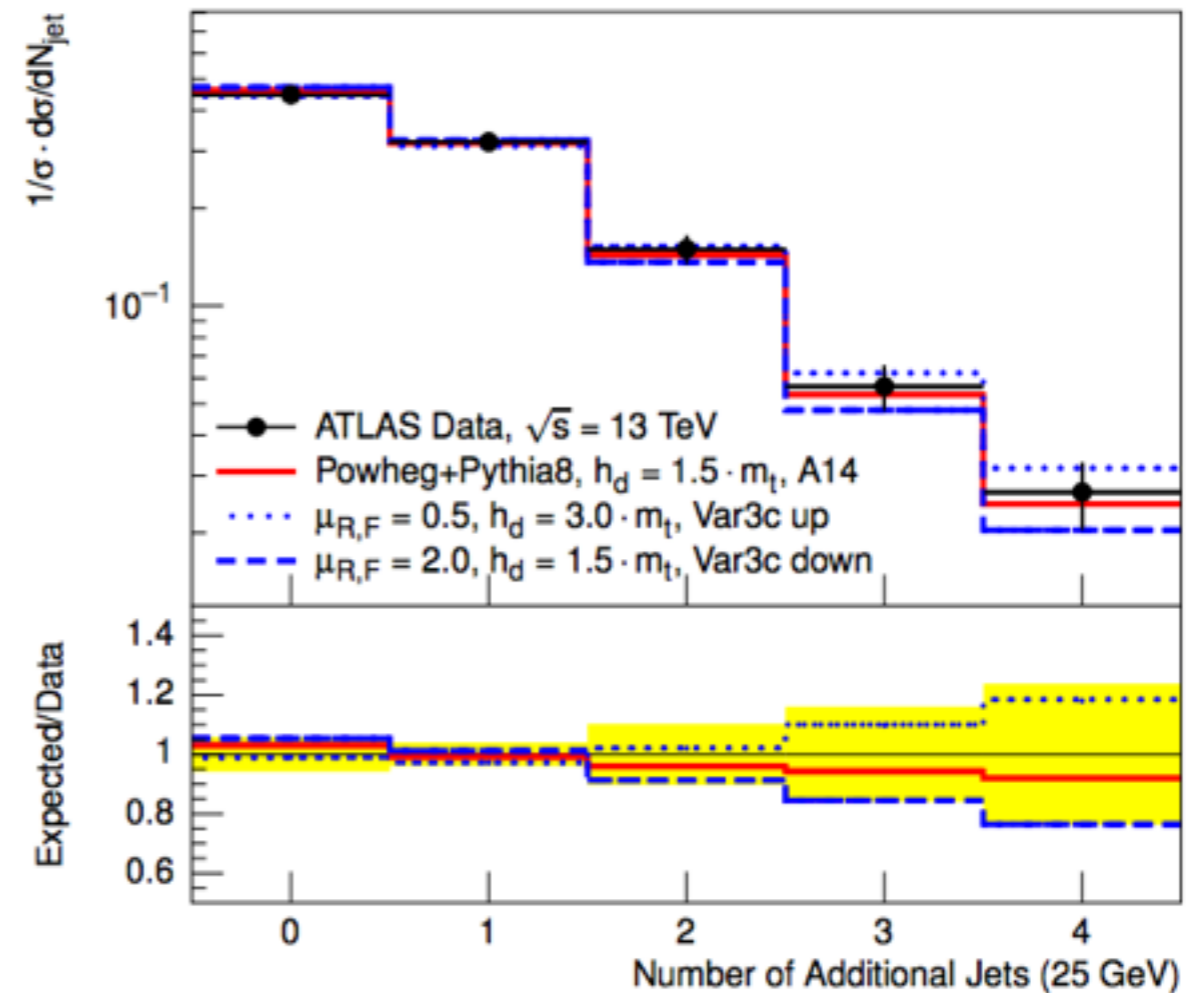
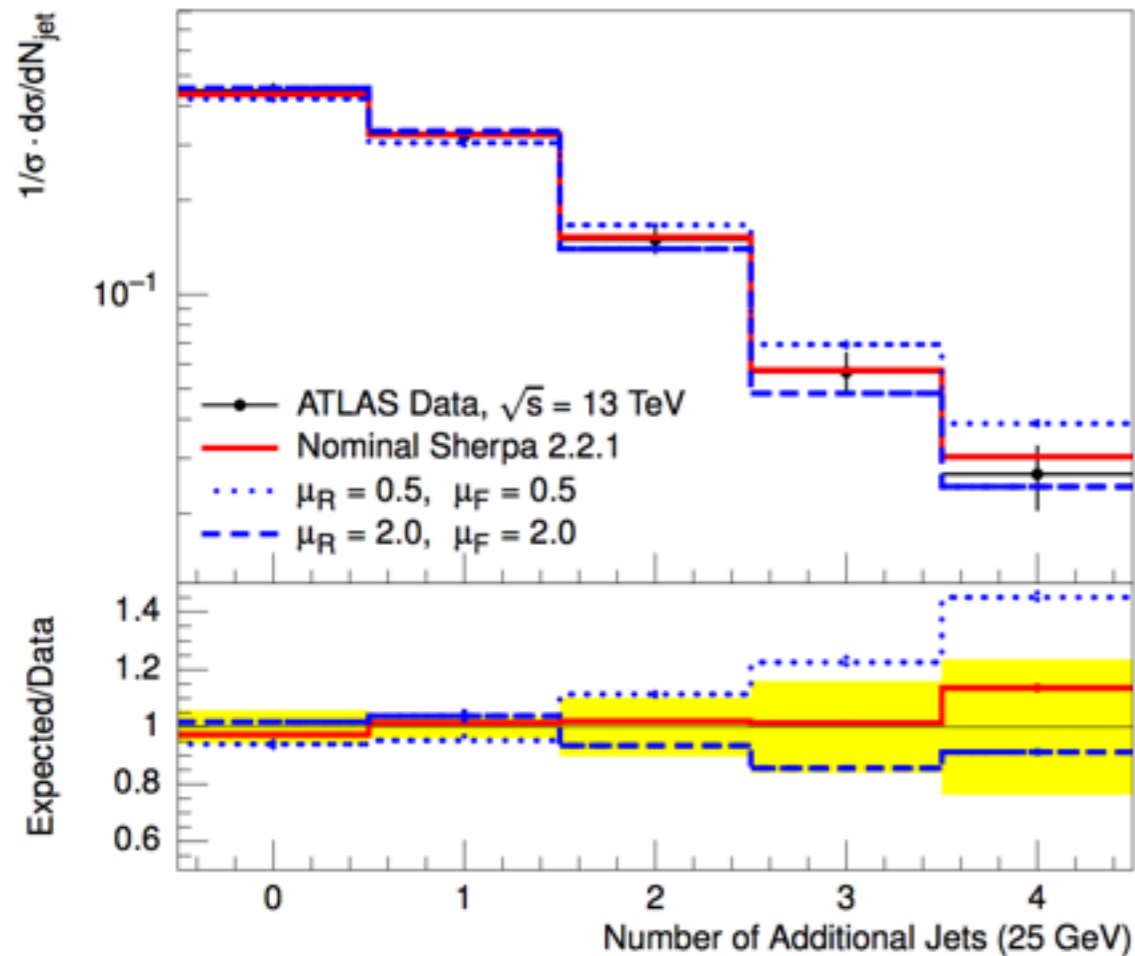
Table 1: Percentage probability that a bottom quark decays to a bottom hadron of a given species.

Species	SHERPAV2.2 HBE=4	SHERPAV2.2 HBE=1	PYTHIA8	HERWIG 7	World Average[25]
D^+	14.5	19.3	29.3	26.5	22.56 ± 0.77
D^0	38.5	55.1	56.4	58.9	56.43 ± 1.51
D_s^0	11.3	18.1	9.5	8.5	7.97 ± 0.45
Baryons	35.9	7.5	4.8	6.1	10.8 ± 0.91

Table 2: Percentage probability that a charm quark decays to a charm hadron of a given species.

- Sherpa 2.2.1 not reproducing fractions as expected with HBE = 4 and should be set to lower value.

Studies of μ_F/μ_R :



- Nominal POWHEG and SHERPA settings agree well with data.

Tuning MG5_aMC@NLO

Setup:

- Parameterised μ_q (since v2.5.3)

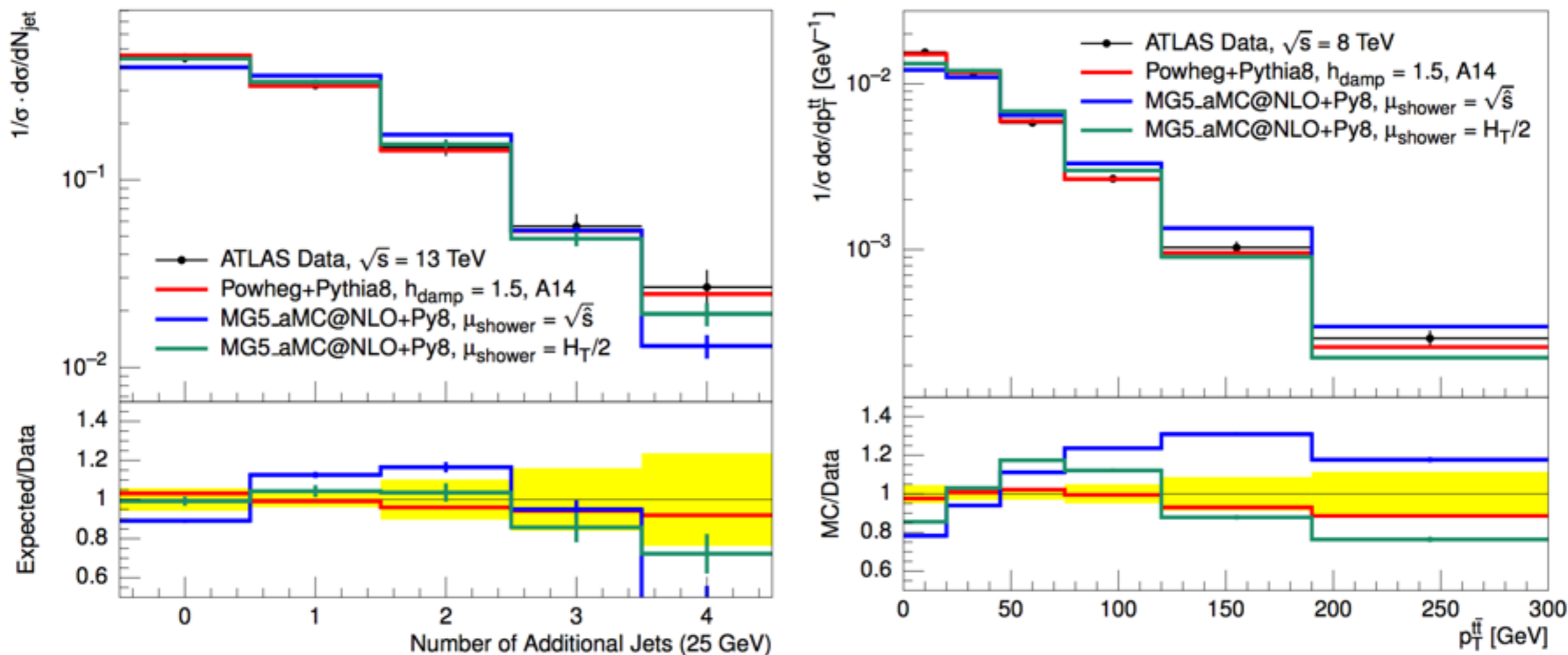
Variations:

- Shower scale μ_q :
 - ➔ $\sqrt{s} : H_T/2$
- Compared to Powheg Pythia8

FxFx:

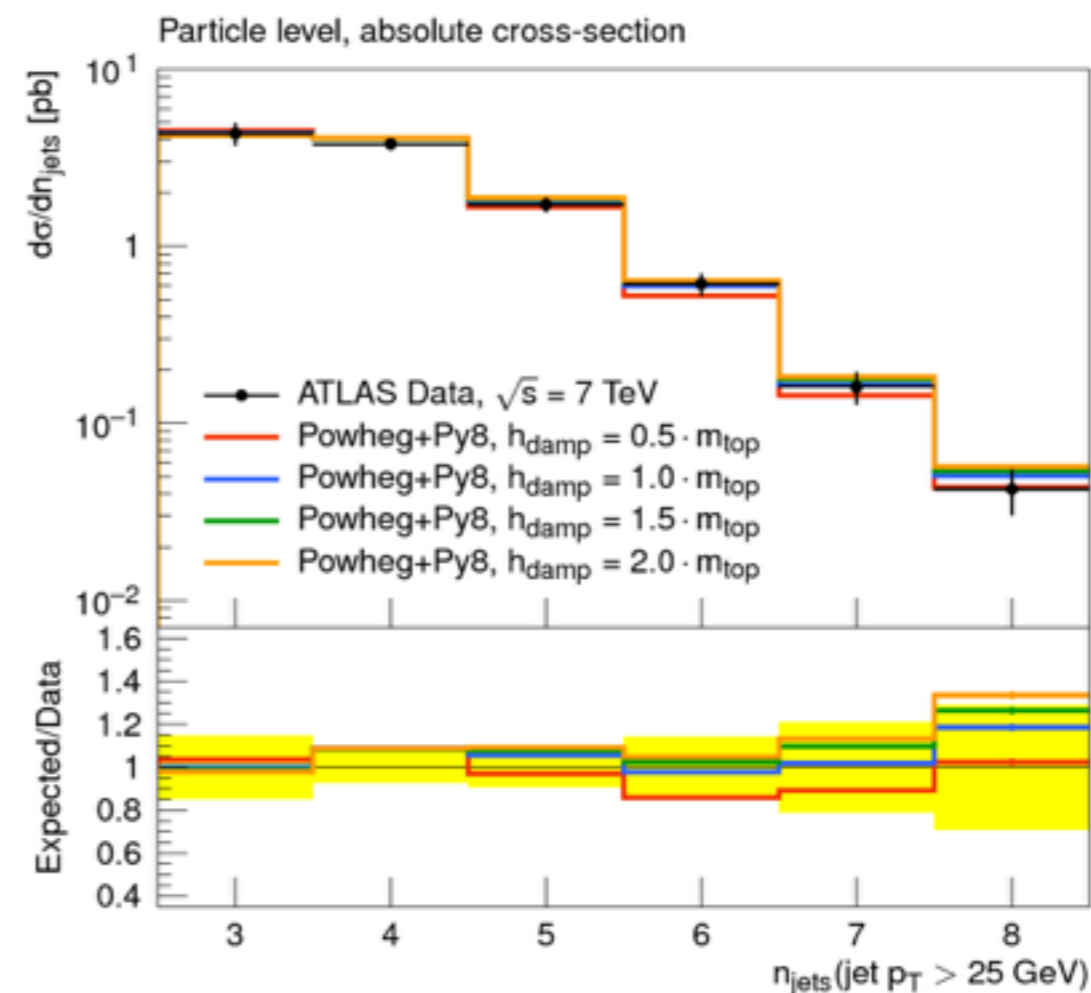
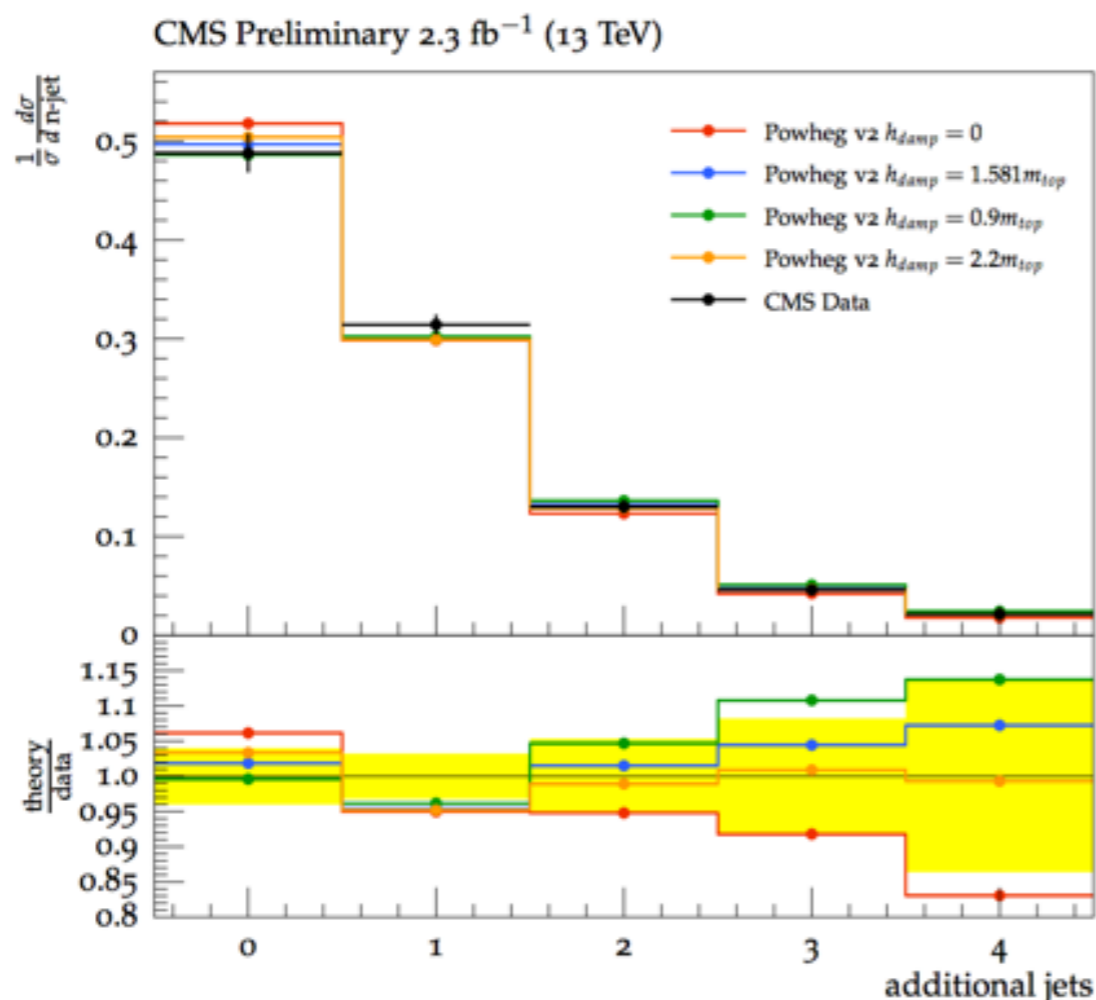
- Studies underway (early studies in ATL-PHYS-PUB-2016-016)

Studies of μ_q :



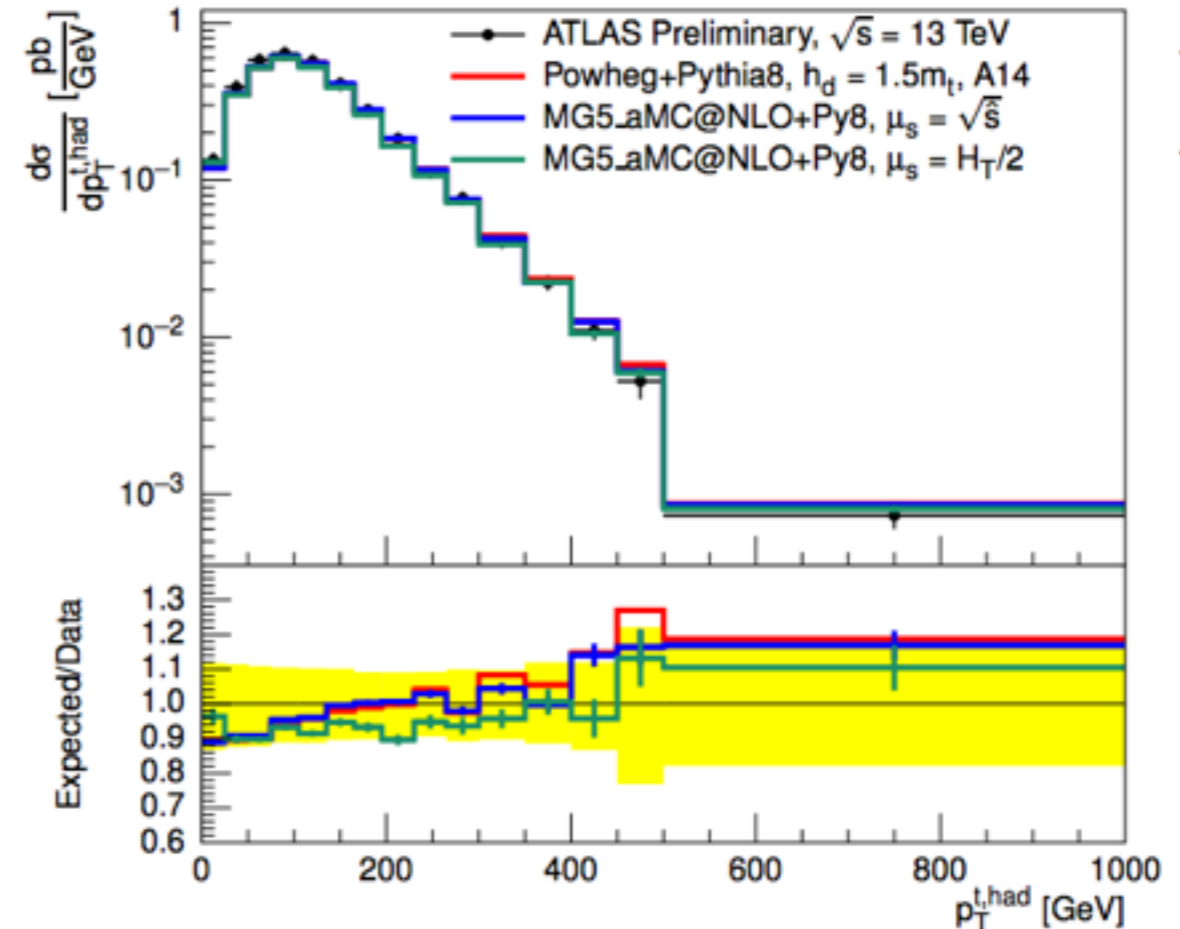
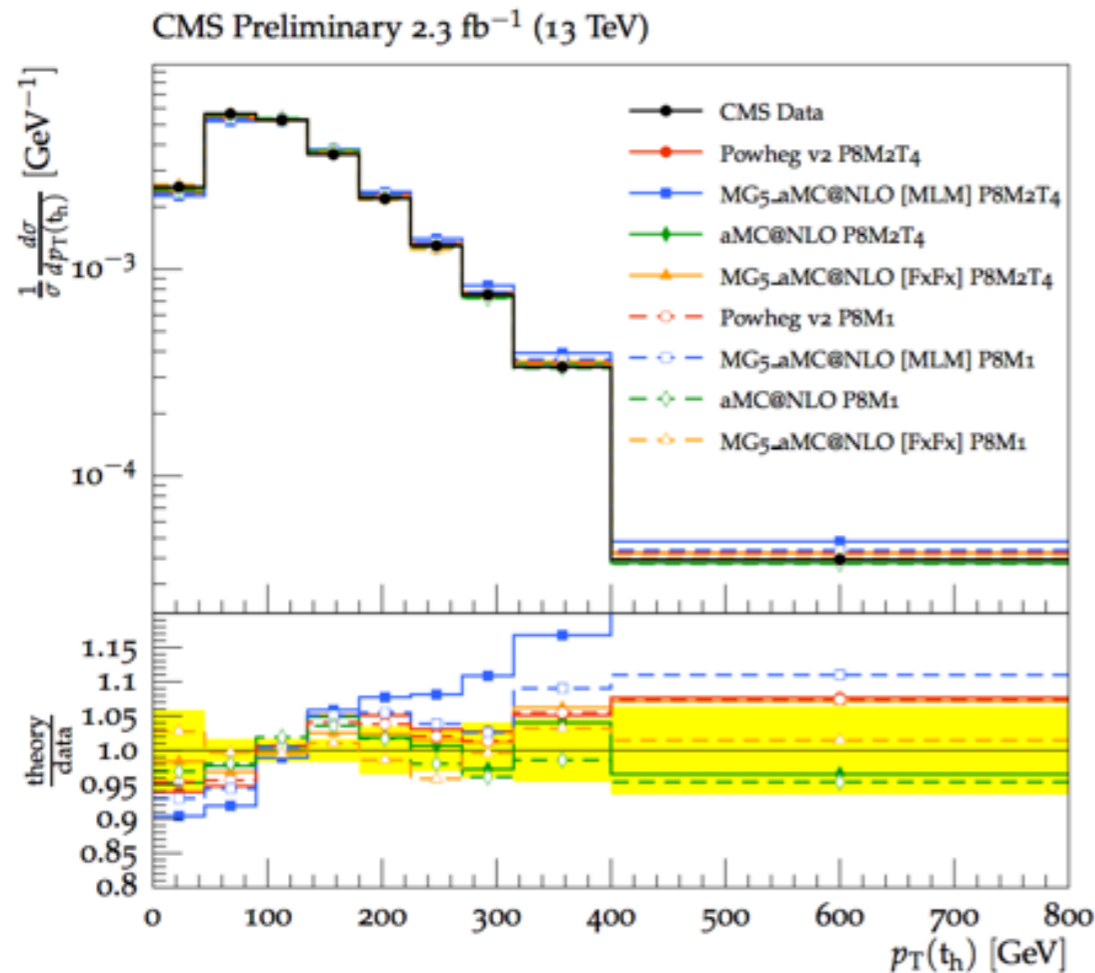
- Difference between setups is a big problem for systematic uncertainties.

Powheg Tuning:



- Tuning results between ATLAS and CMS are in agreement, higher value of h_{damp} .

Generator comparisons:

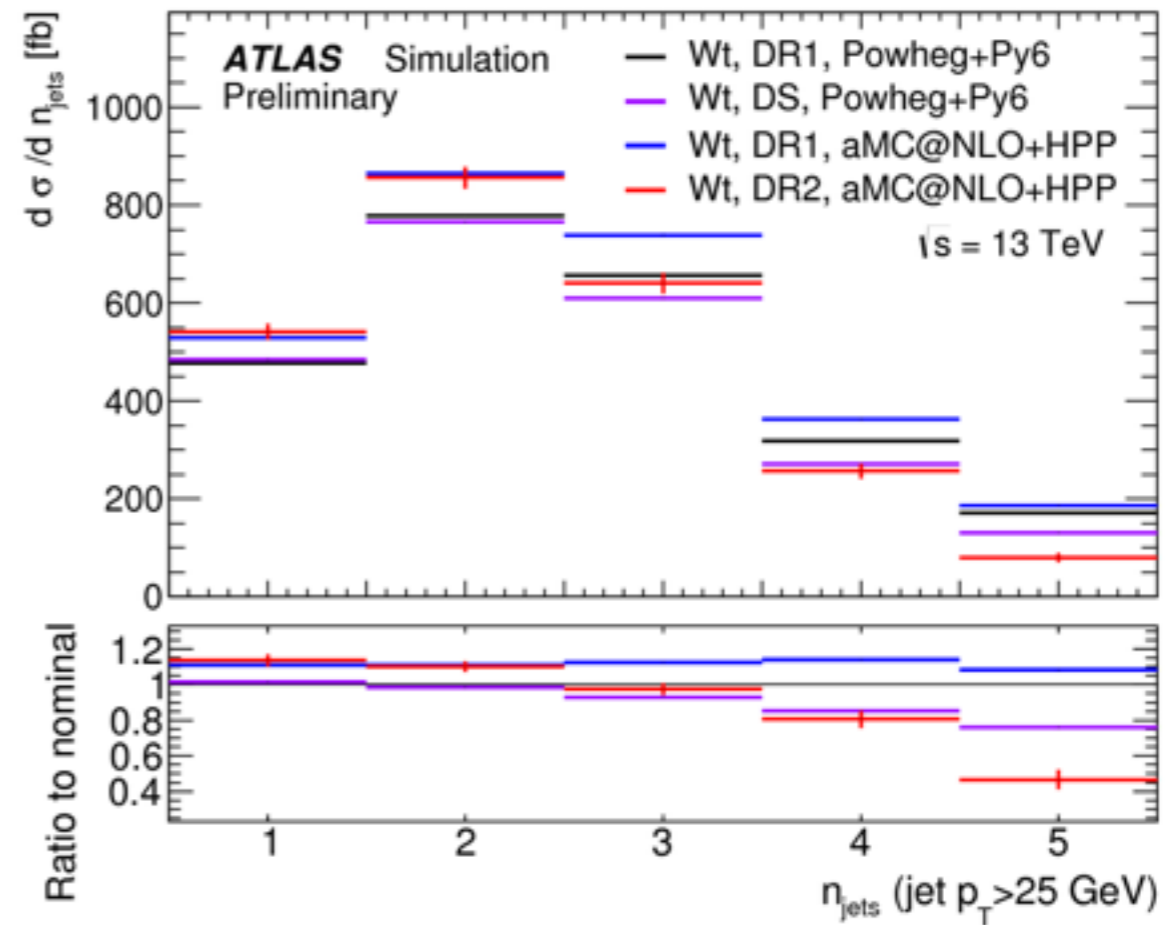
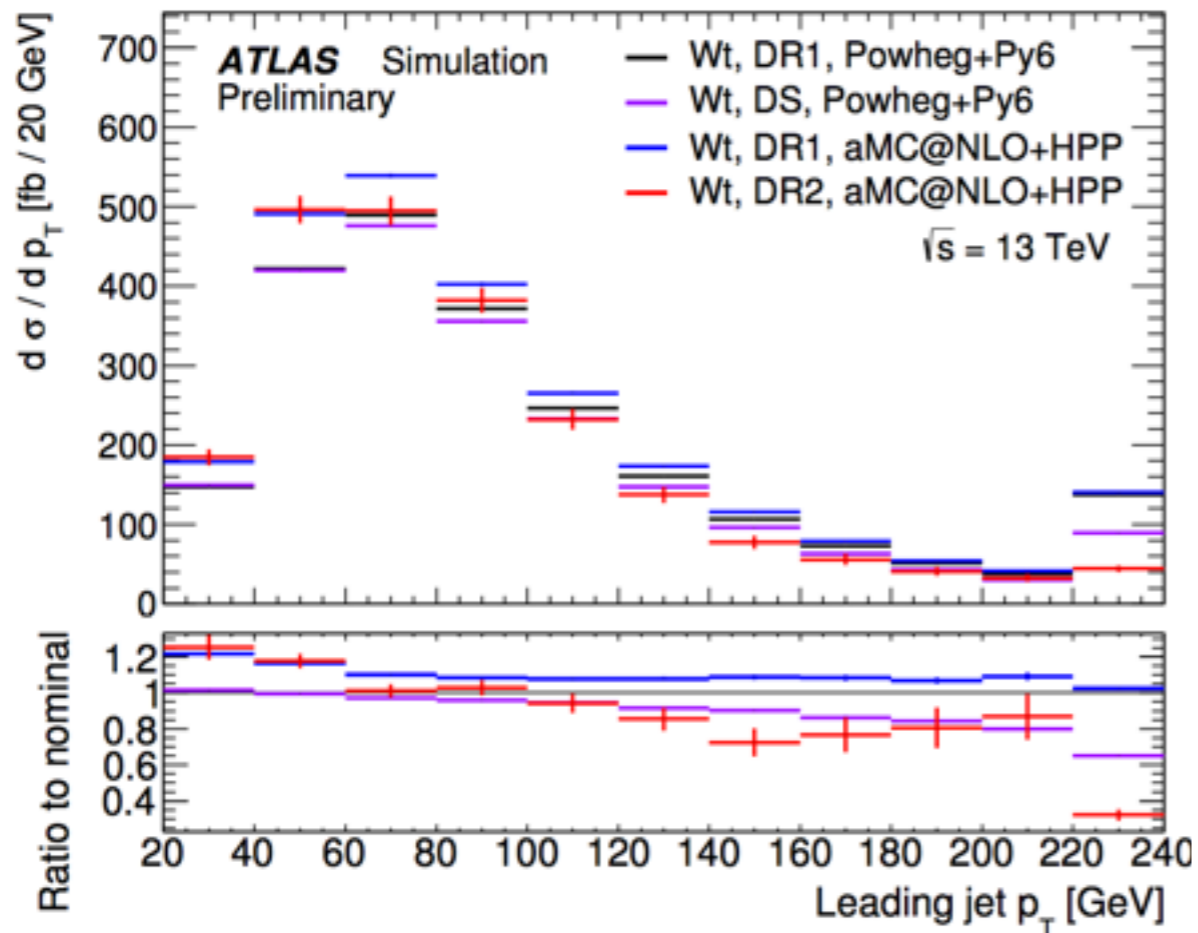


- In comparable generator setups, agreement looks reasonable.

Diagram Subtraction / Diagram Removal

- NLO diagrams from Wt production interfere with LO $t\bar{t}$ diagrams.
- Two methods currently used to deal with this:
 - ➔ Diagram Subtraction (DS)
 - ➔ Diagram Removal (DR)
- Difference is usually taken as a systematic uncertainty (not clear this is conservative).
- Ideally, generate inclusive $WWbb$ to solve this.

Diagram Subtraction / Diagram Removal



- Significant progress on WWbb MC, unfortunately not quite ready for this workshop (difficult to implement with current tools).

Conclusions

Differential measurements:

- Many differential cross-section measurements.
- Beginning to explore double differential.
- Wide array of RIVET routines public (or nearly).

LHC Comparisons:

- Slopes in $p_T(t)$ seem to be largely described by NNLO corrections.
- 13 TeV results tentatively look comparable between ATLAS and CMS (work ongoing).

Conclusions

Tuning Conclusions

- POWHEG + PYTHIA8 well tuned.
- More studies are needed to understand MG5_aMC@NLO configurations (CMS in general looks OK, but not so in ATLAS).
- Currently exploring HERWIG7 as an alternative shower generator.
- Also exploring SHERPA as an alternative generator (attractive due to shower model possibilities).

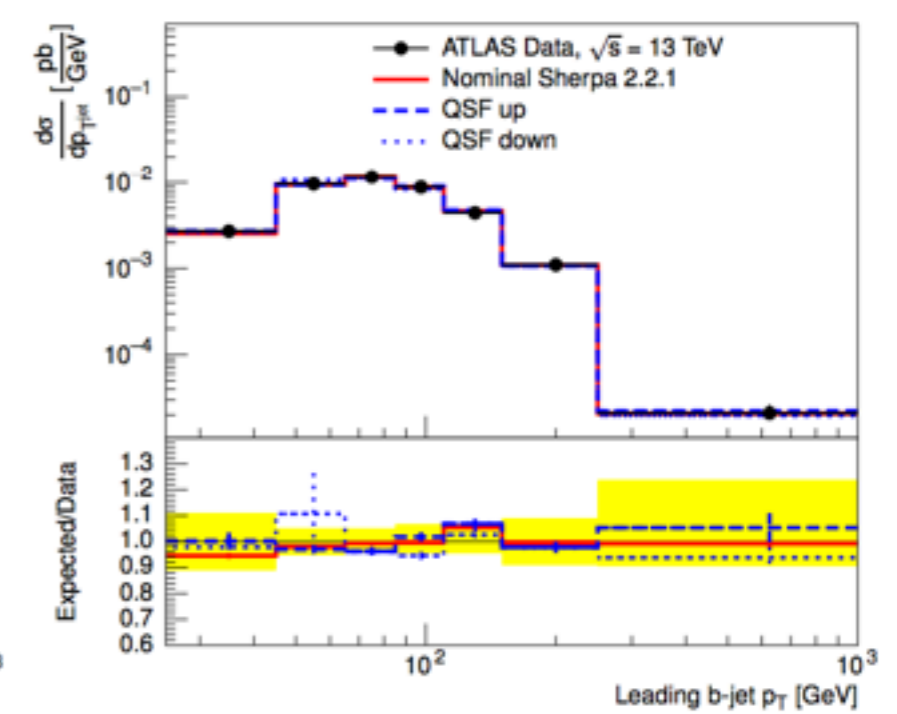
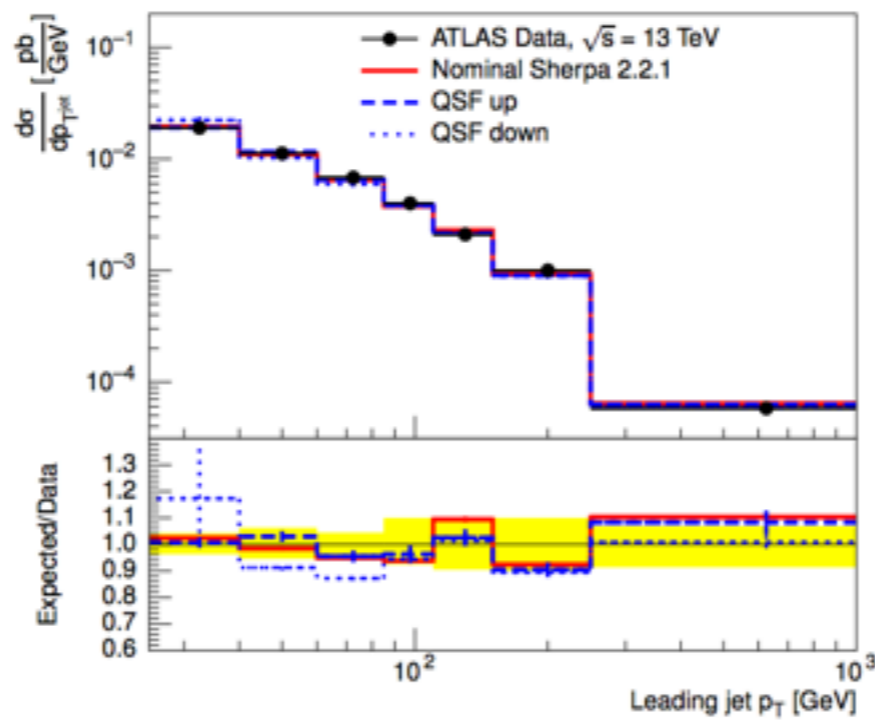
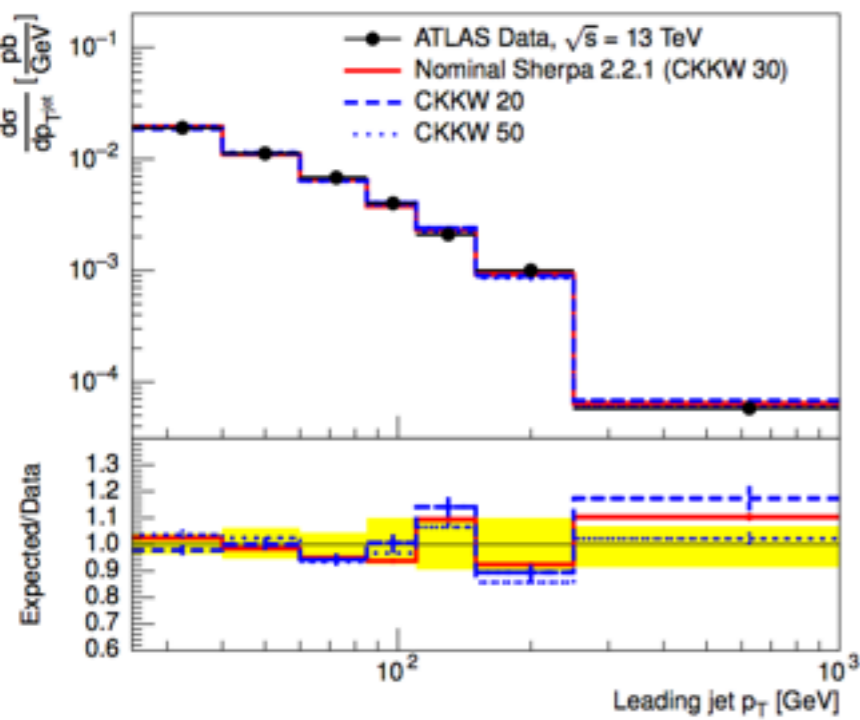
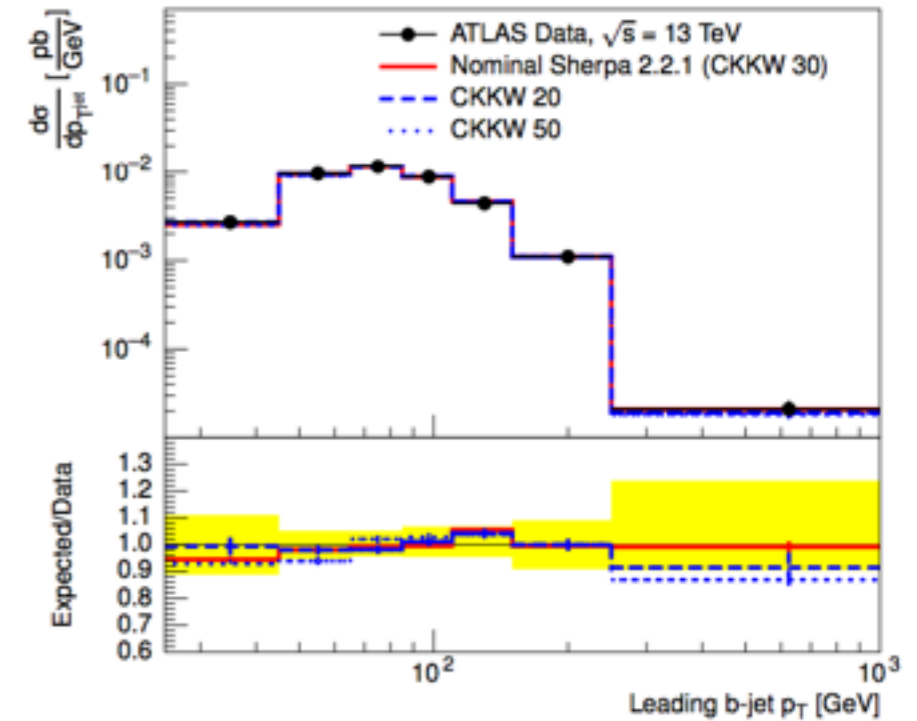
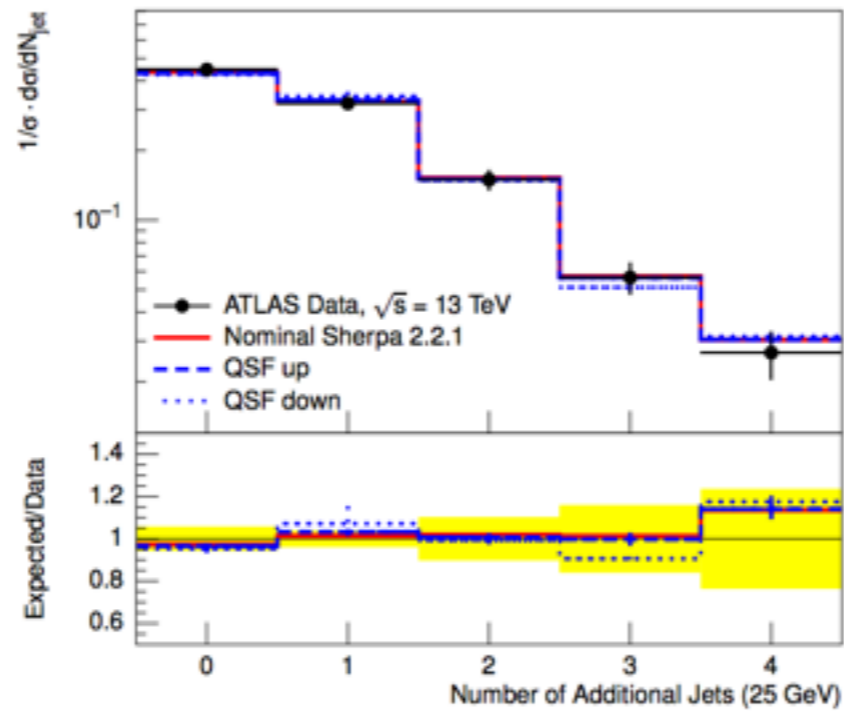
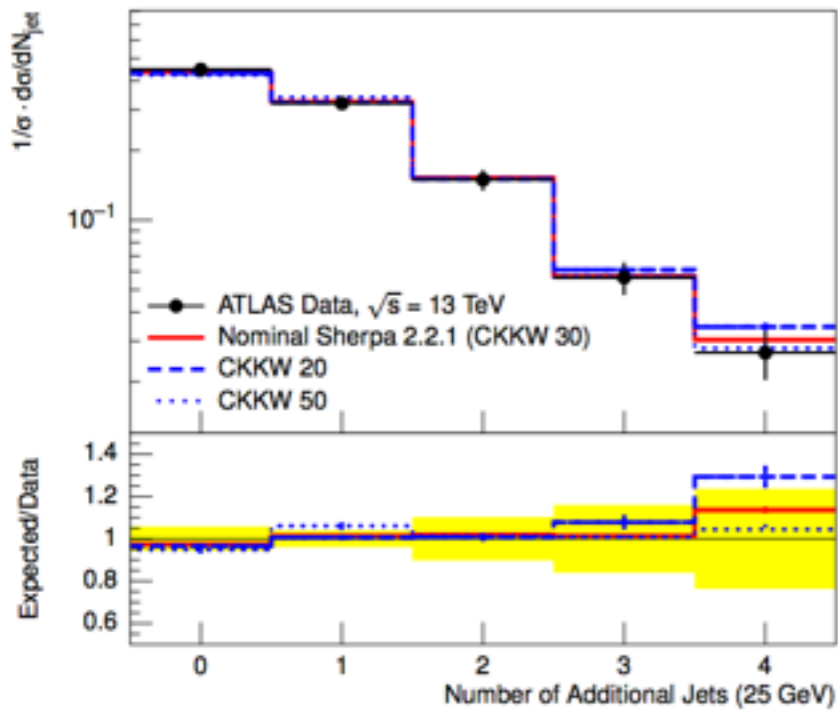
Conclusions

Tuning Conclusions (cont.)

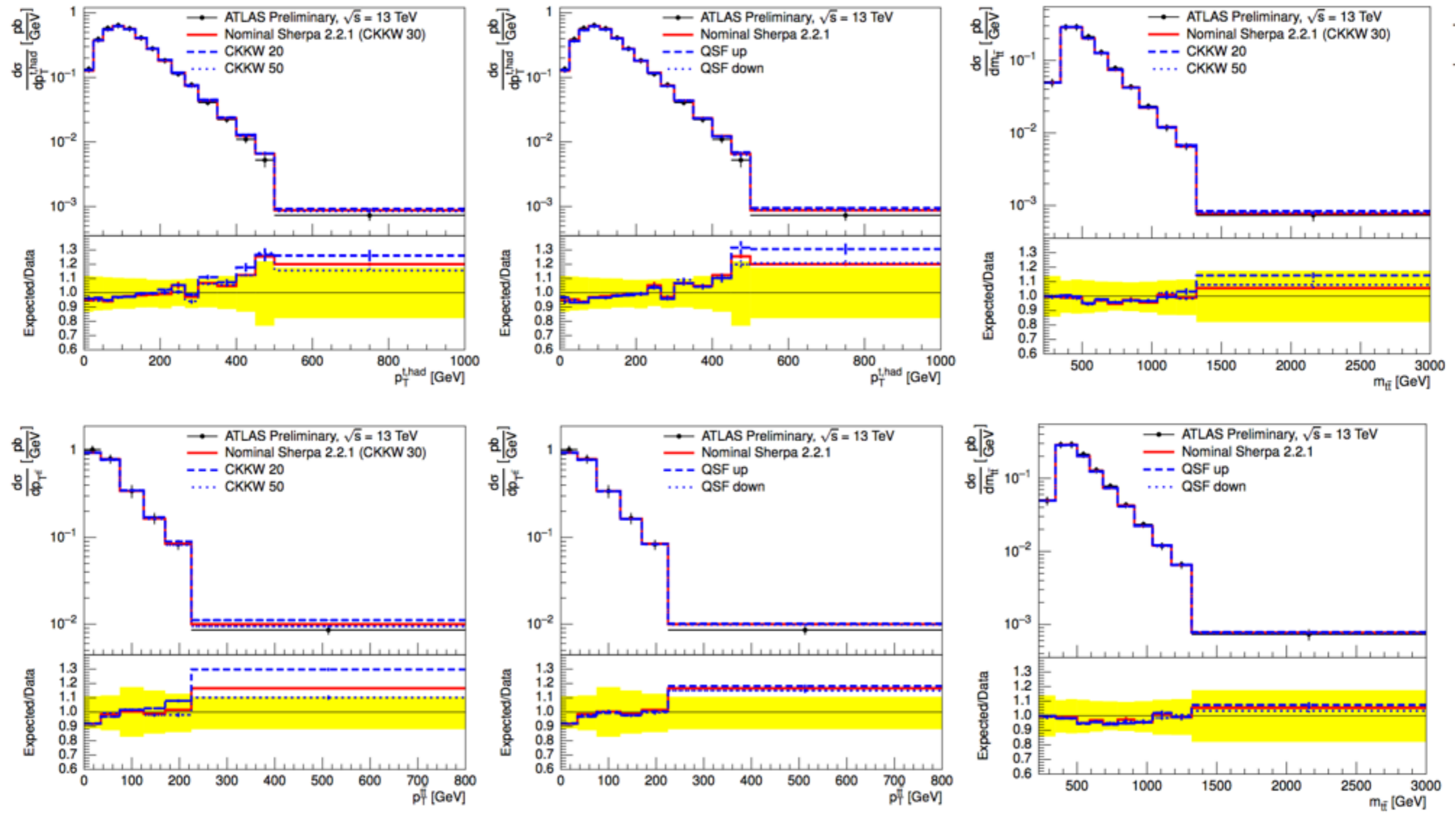
- Having 2 NLO generators that describe the data is **essential to current paradigm** if we want to keep it (i.e. we need to improve MG5_aMC@NLO tuning).
- If/when using alternatives (such as SHERPA or HERWIG7) how can we deal with overestimations?
Are there uncovered uncertainties?
- More on UE tuning in Efe and Deepak's talks.

Backup

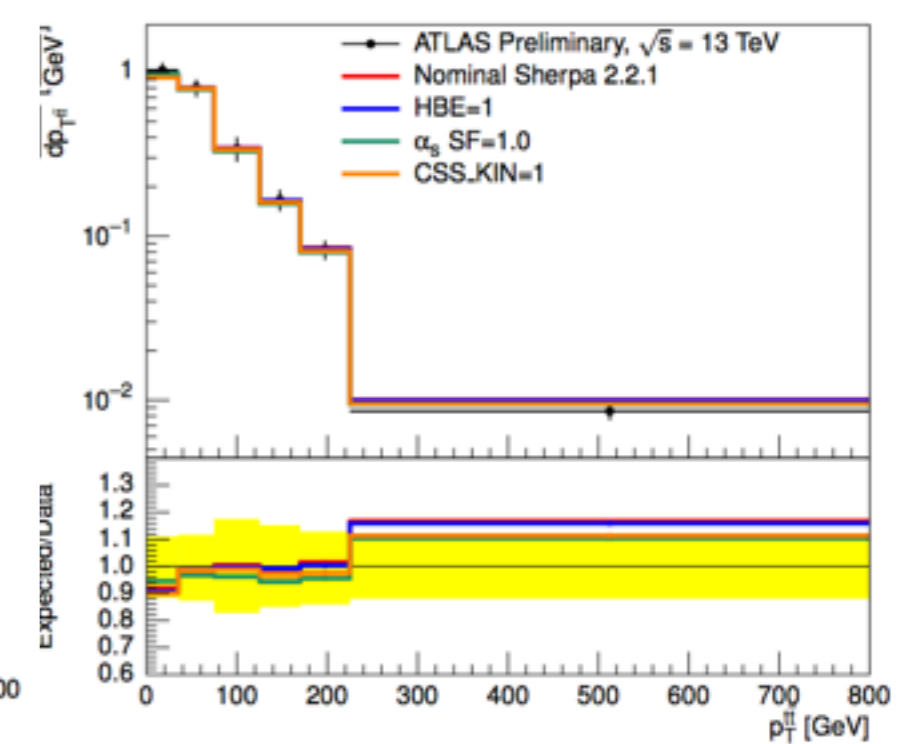
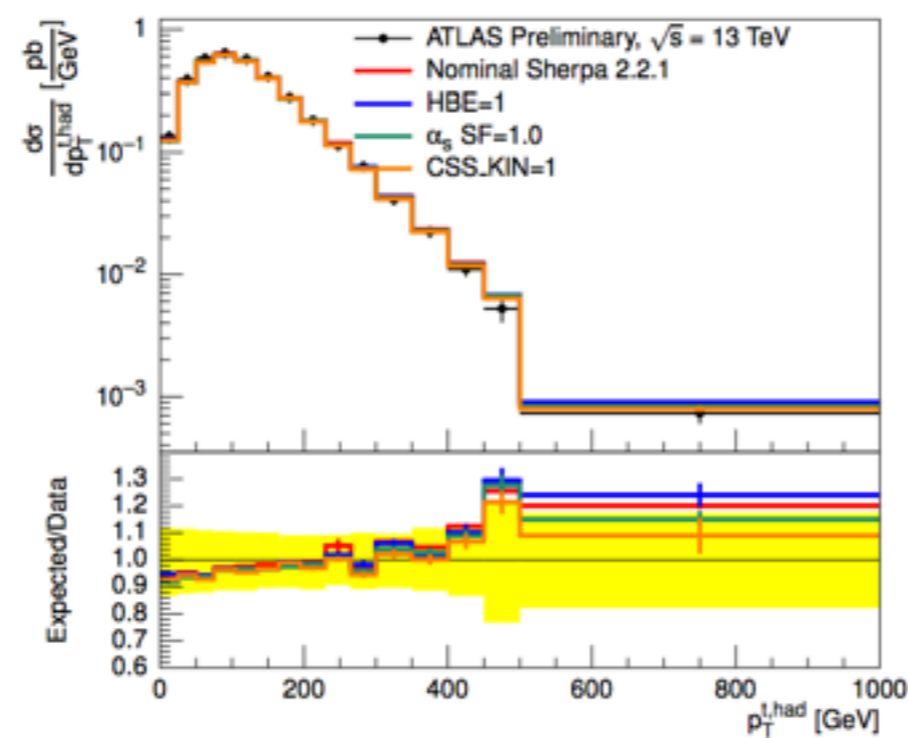
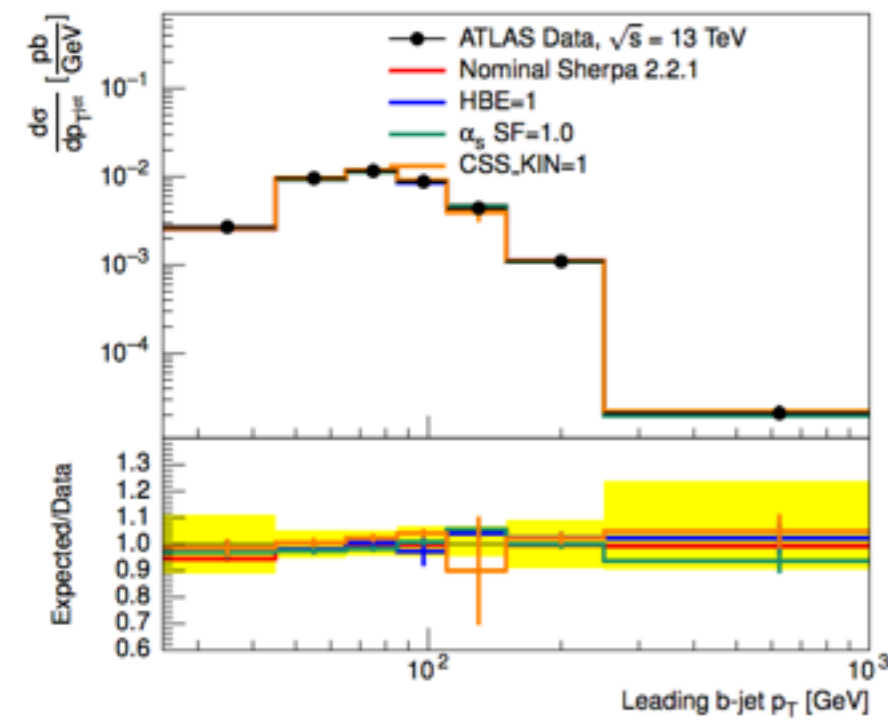
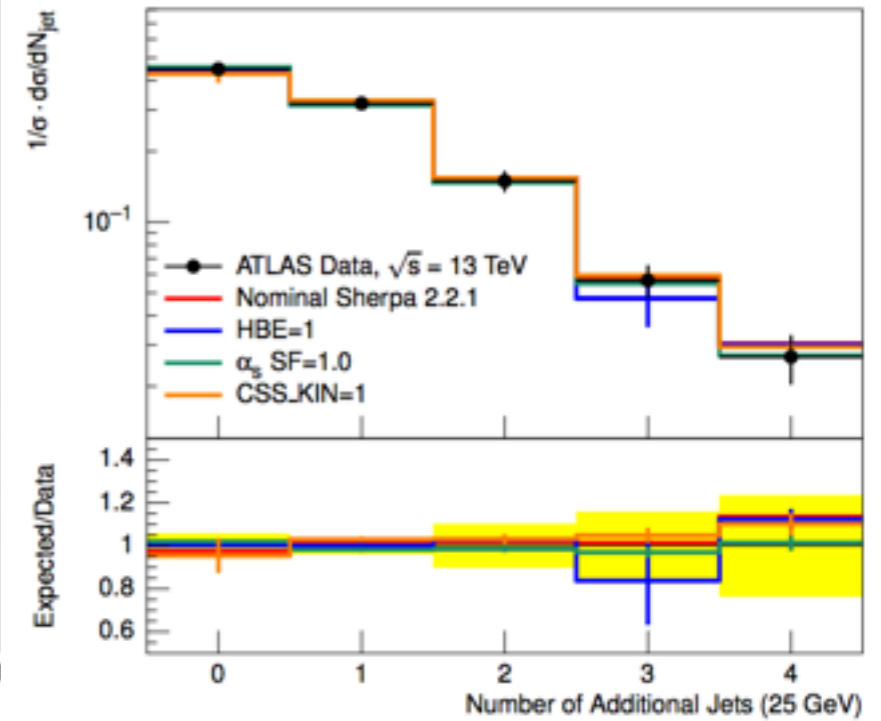
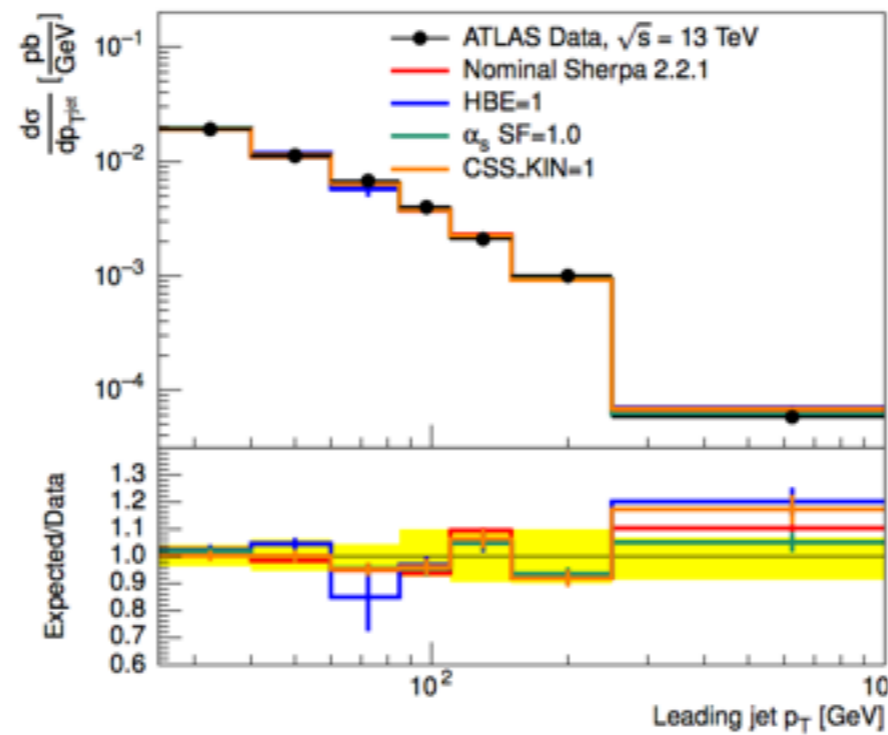
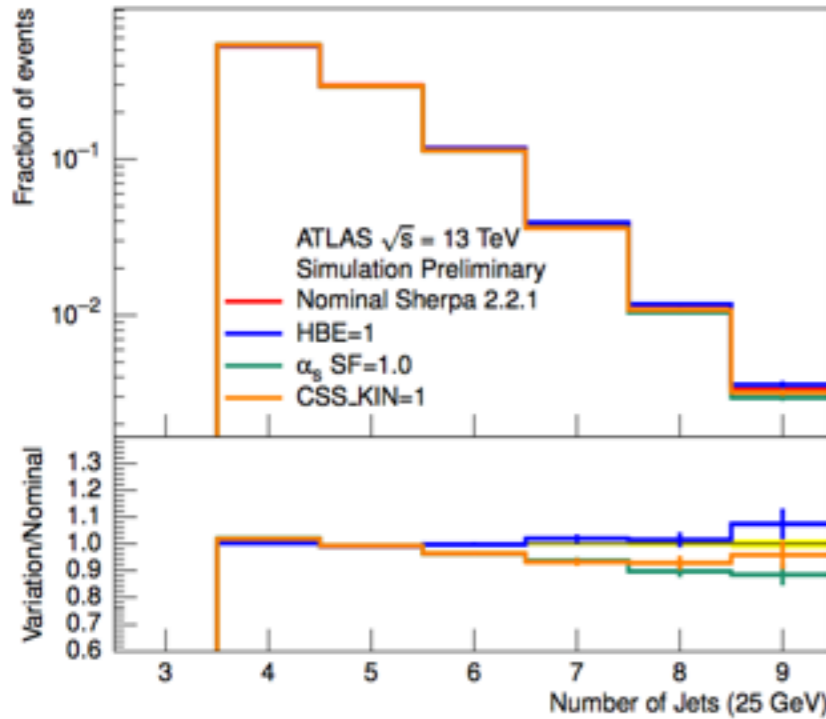
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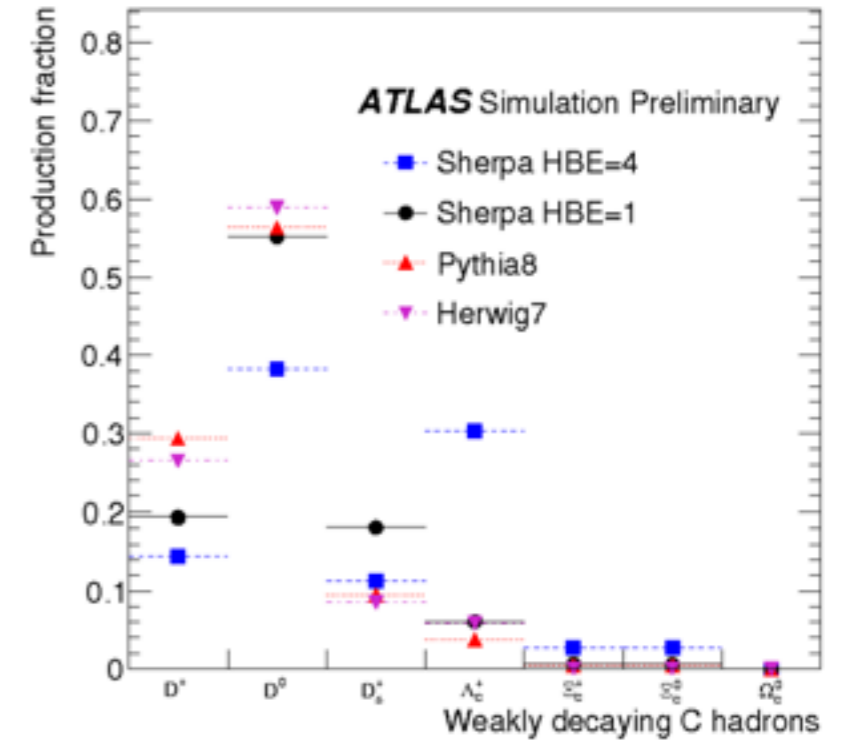
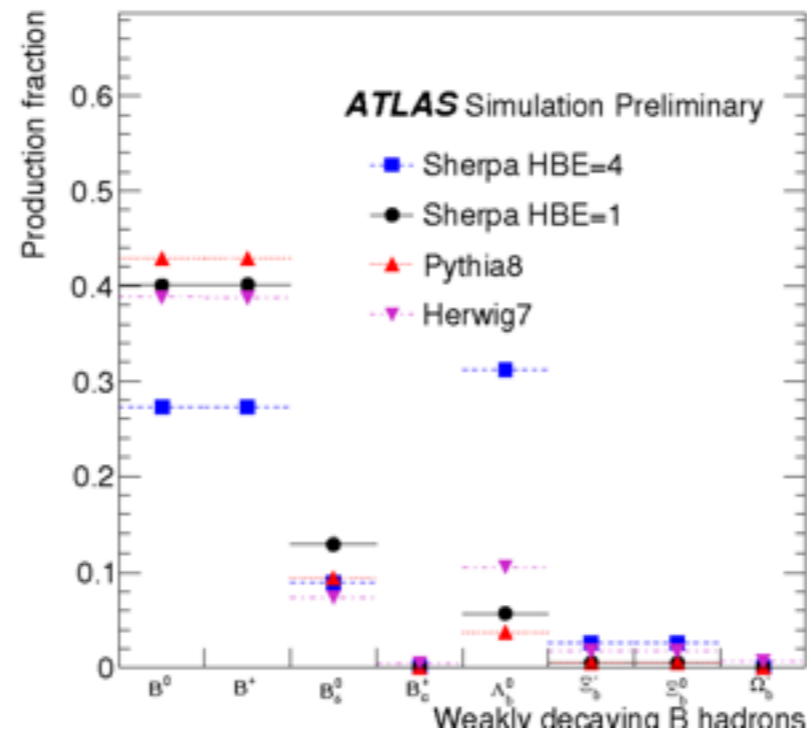
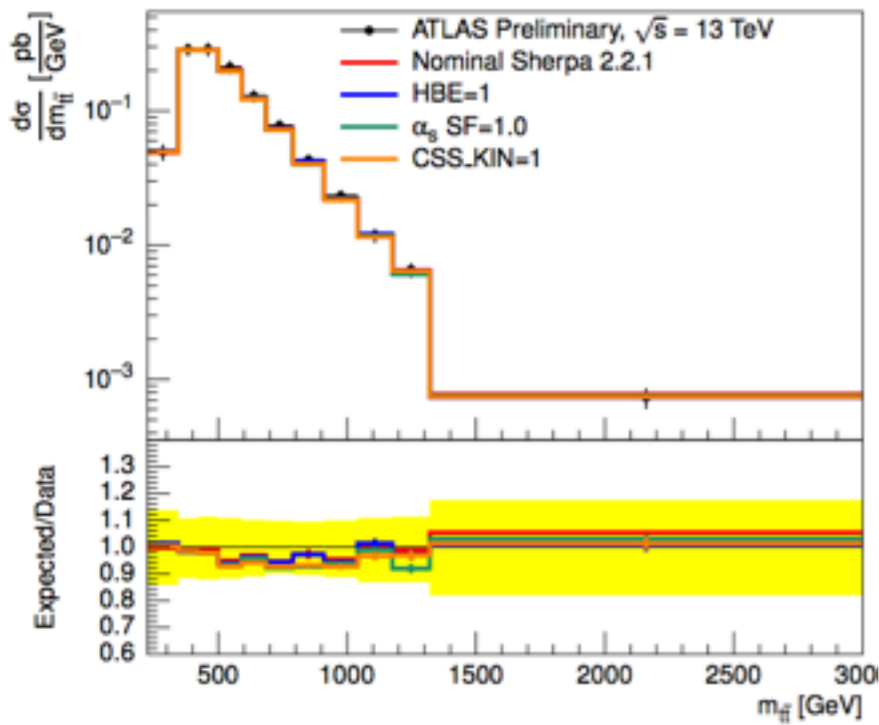
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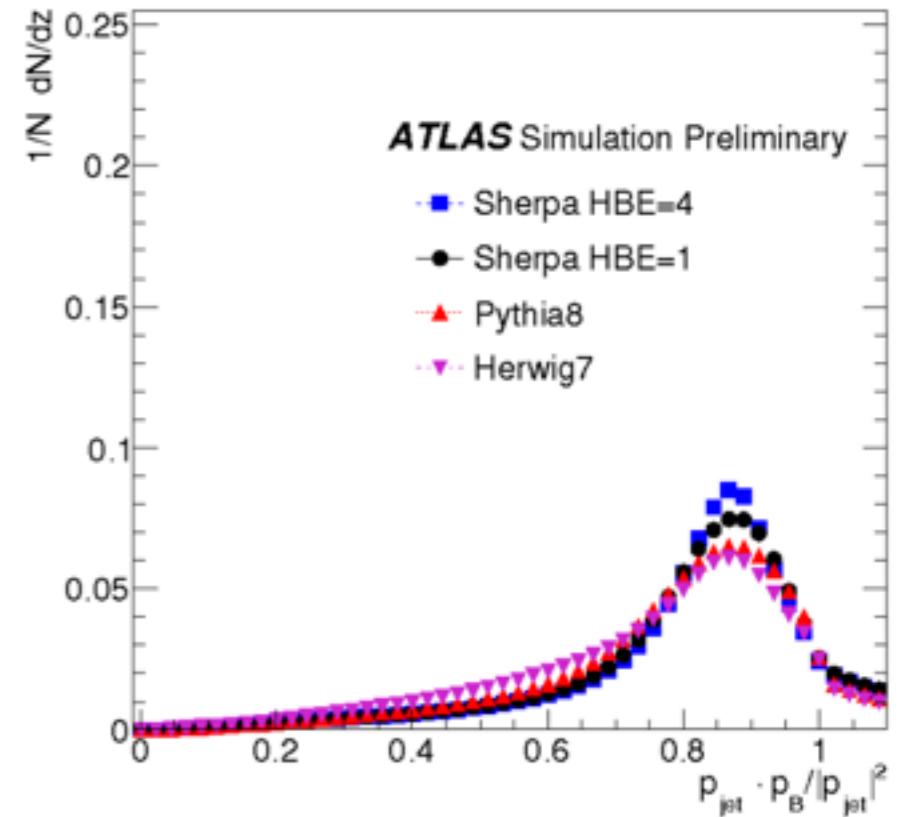
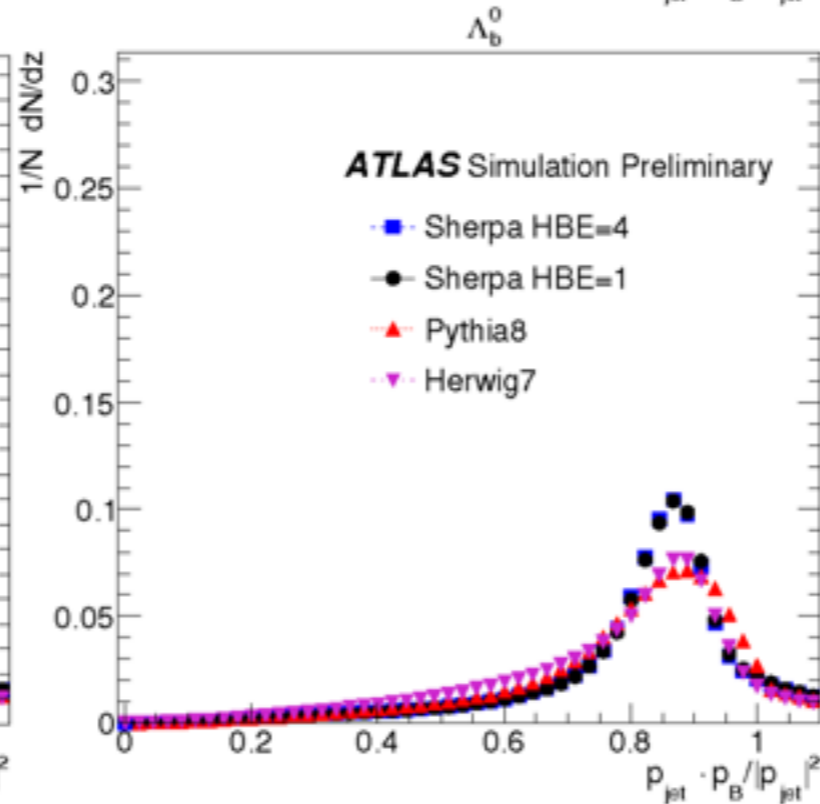
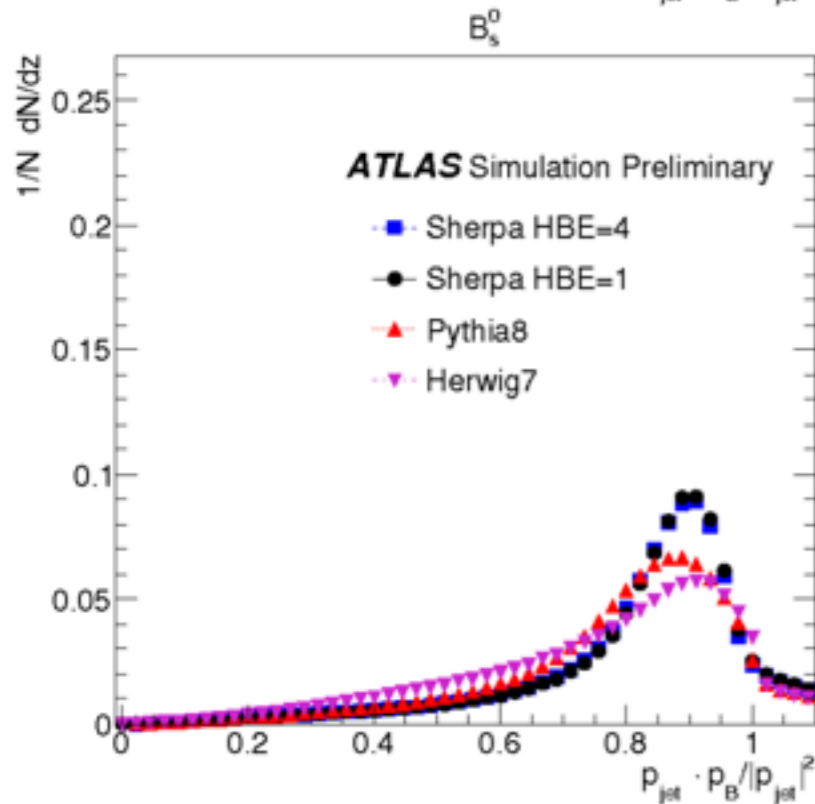
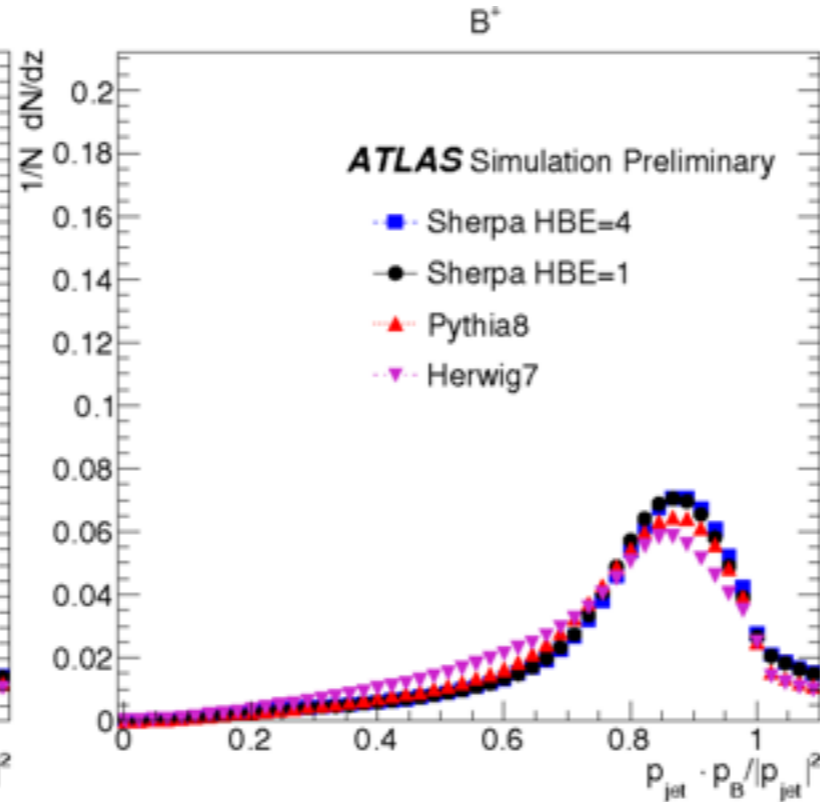
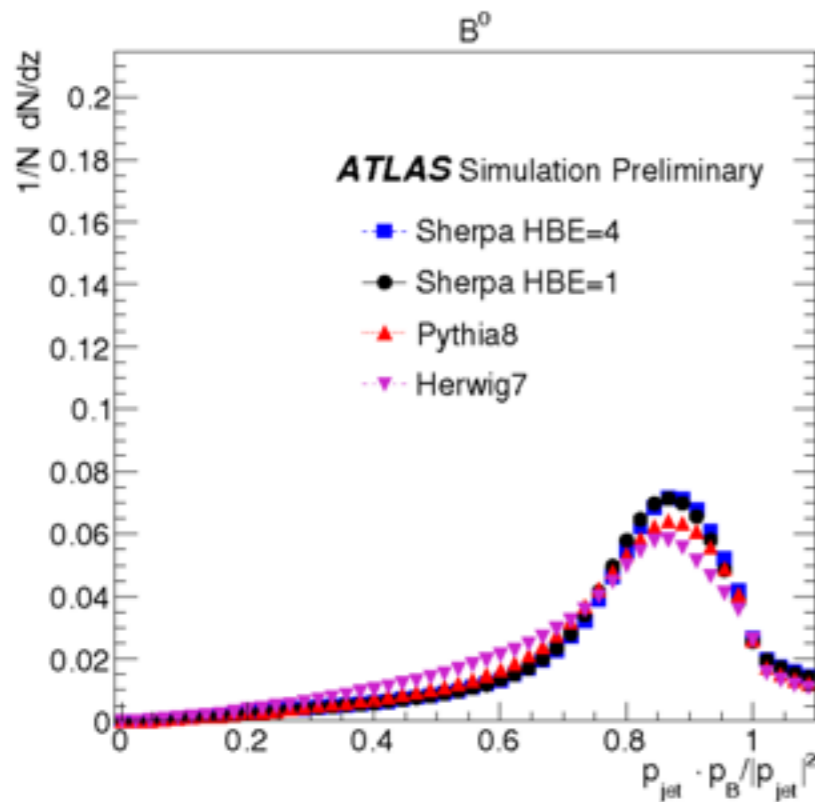


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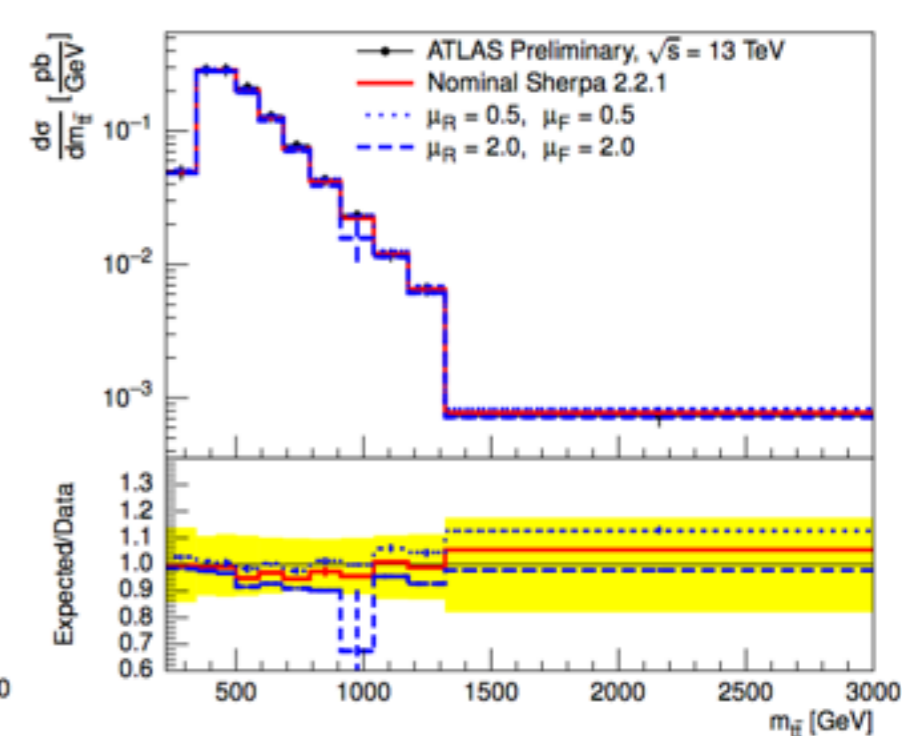
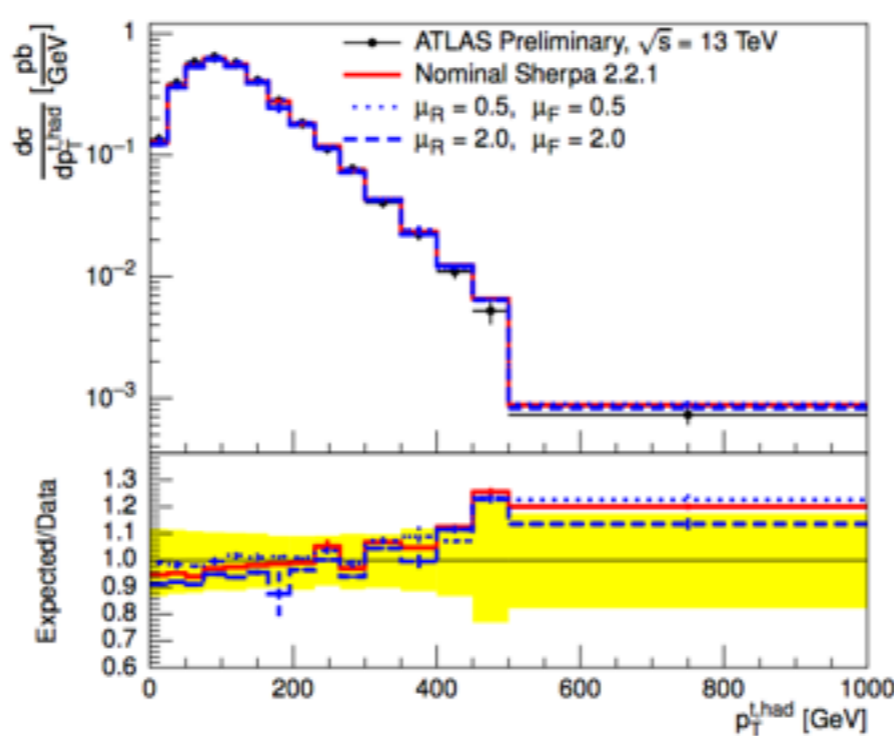
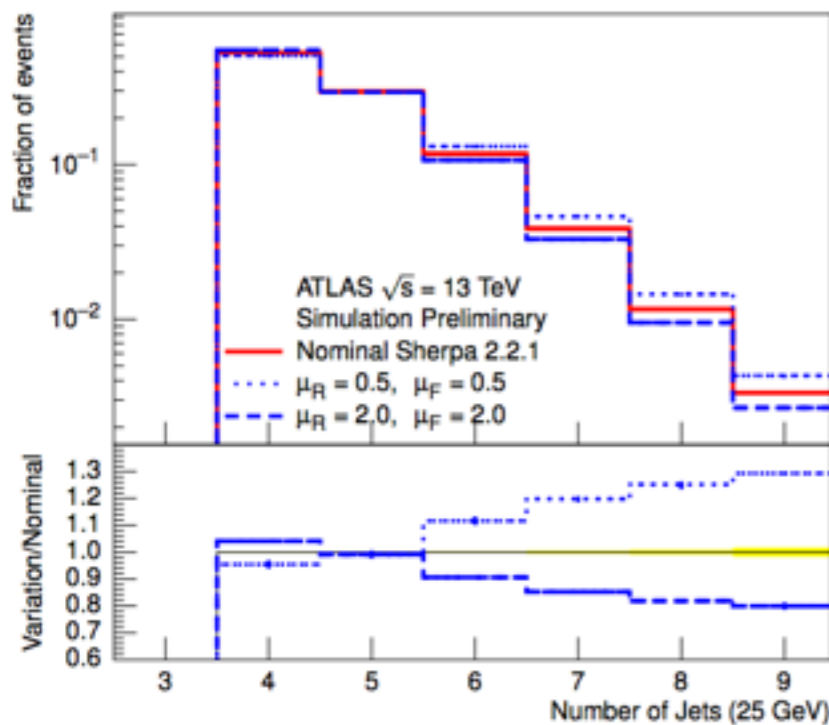
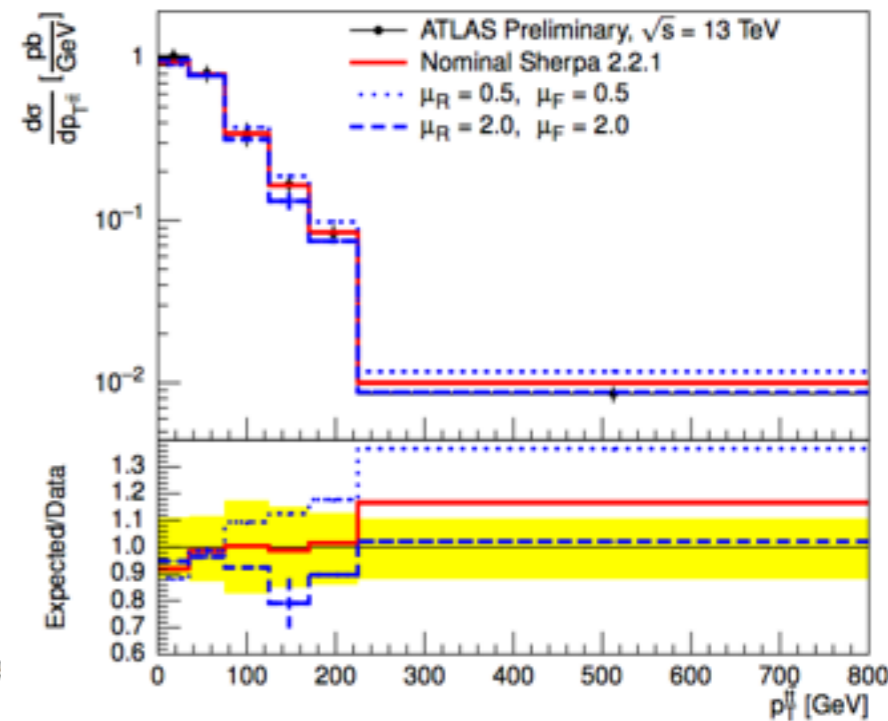
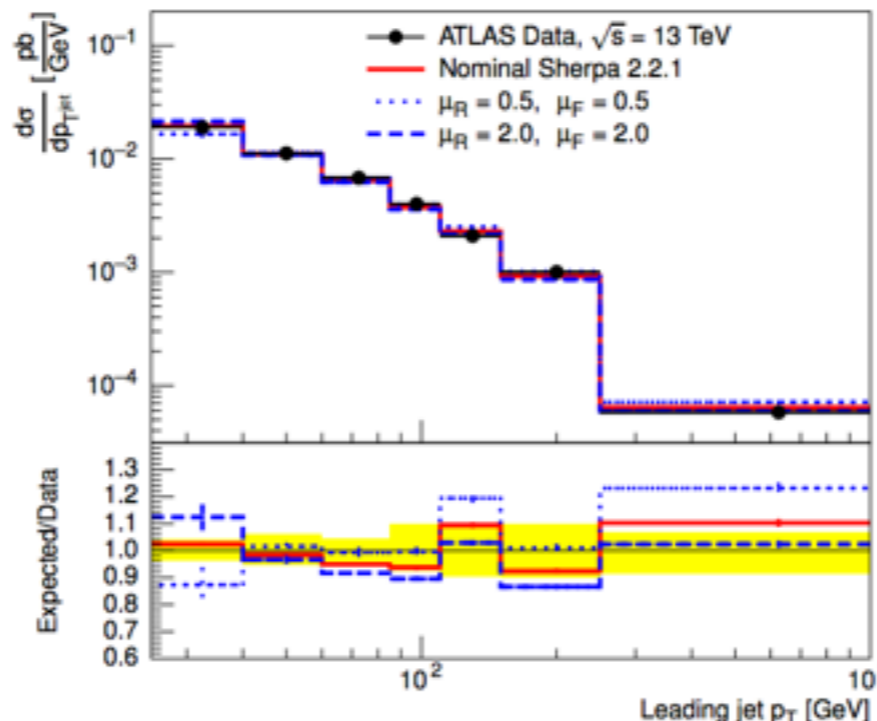
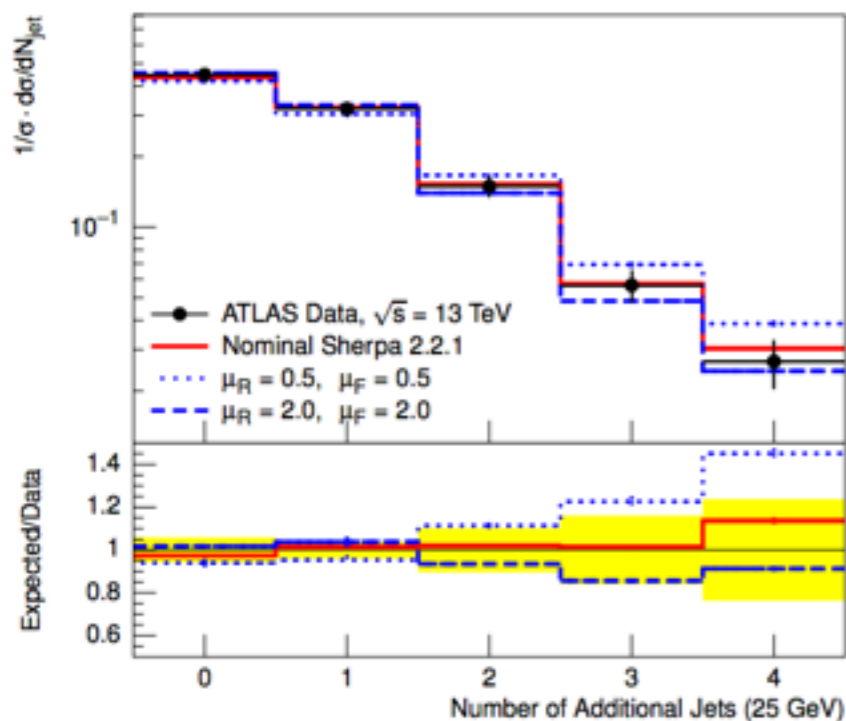


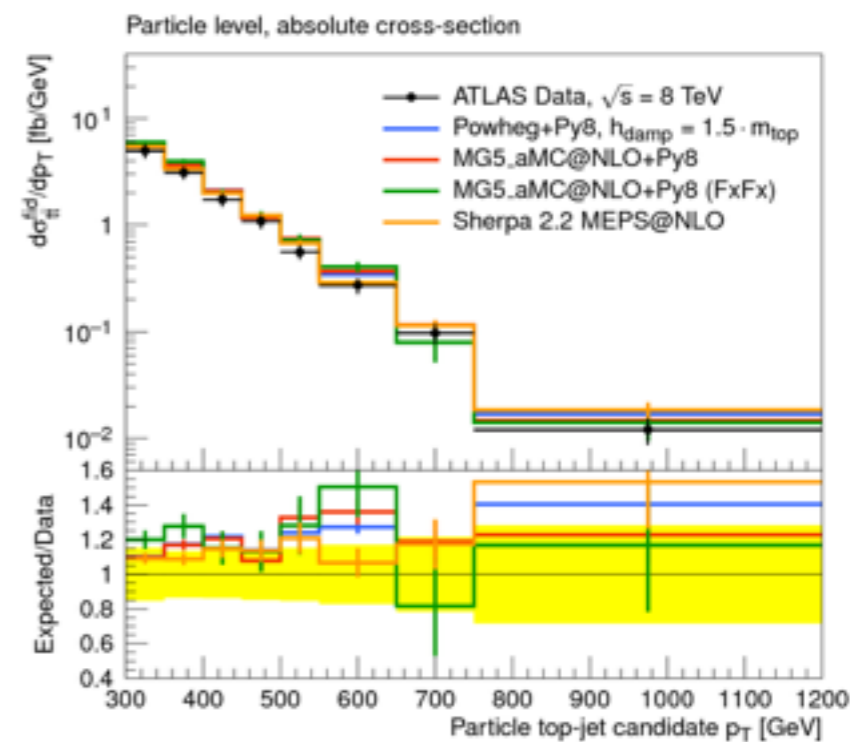
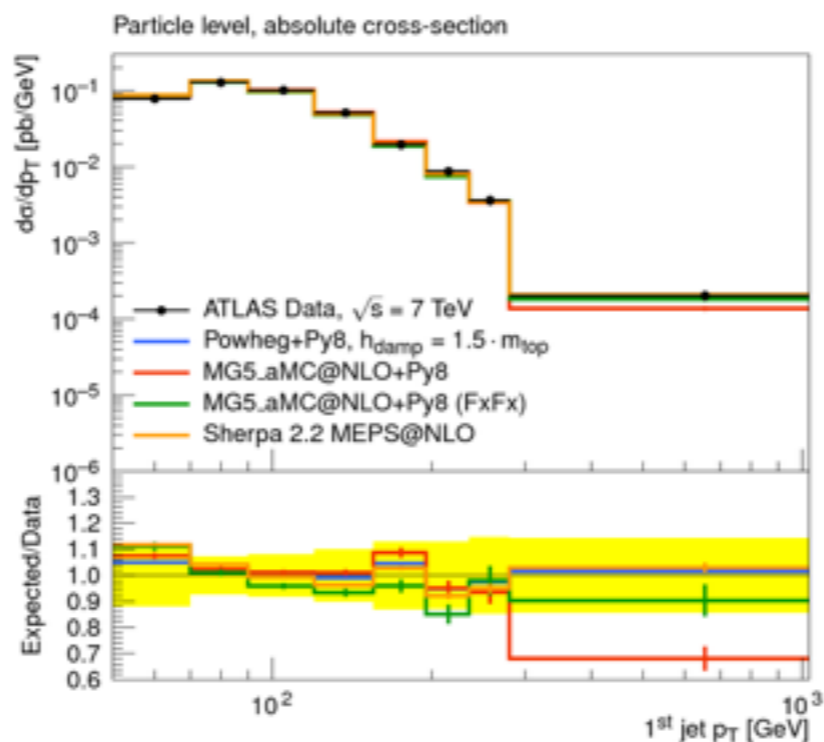
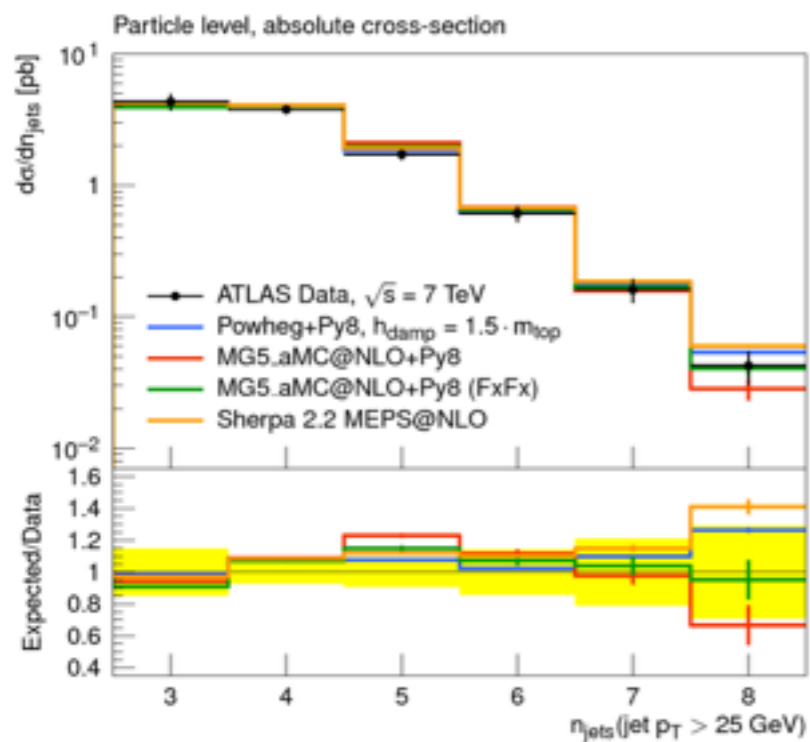
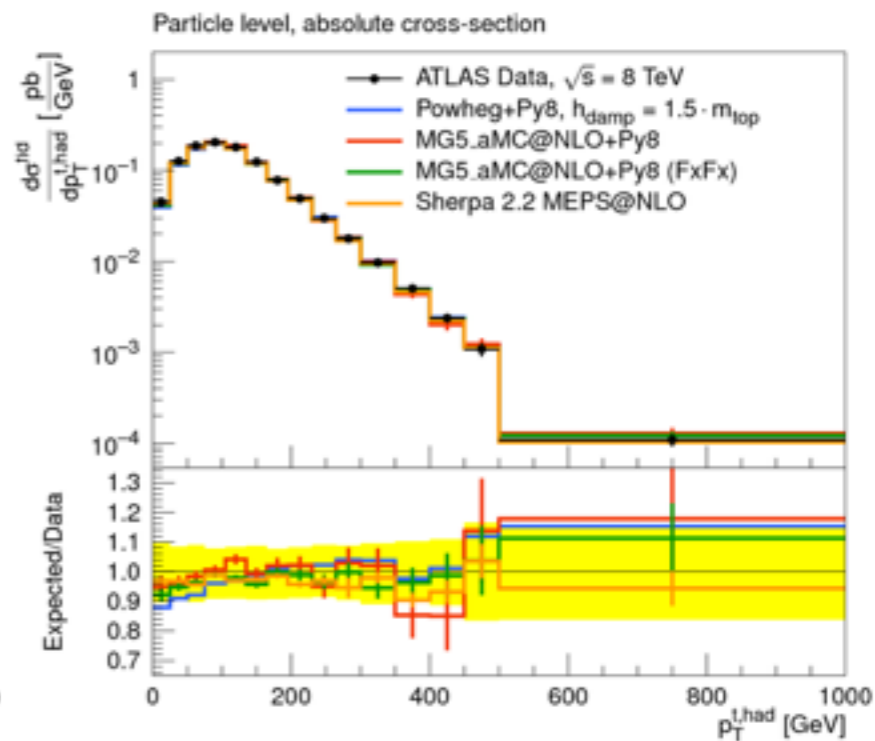
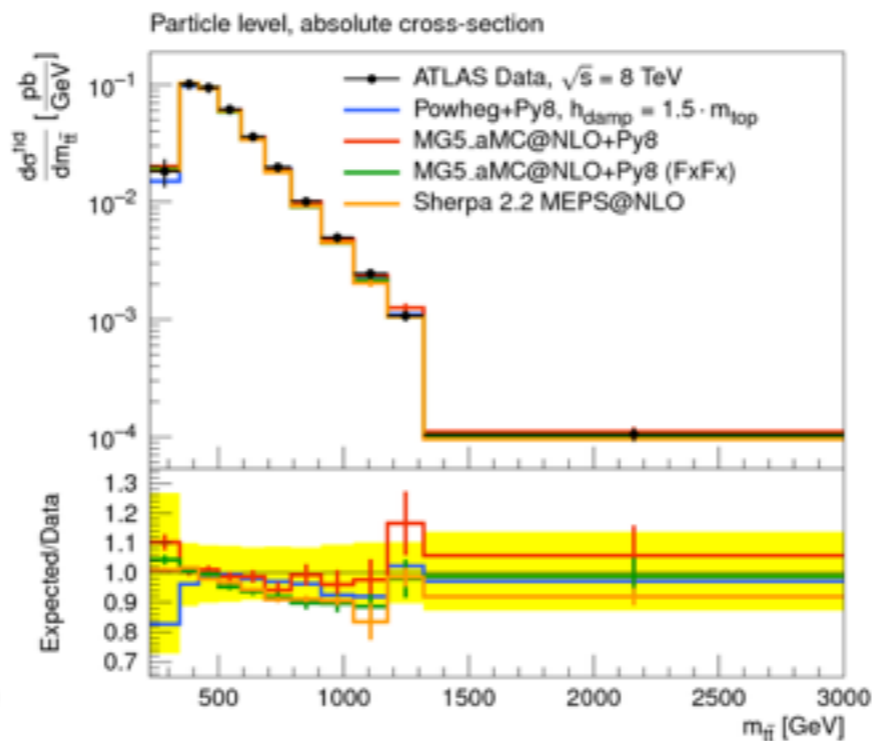
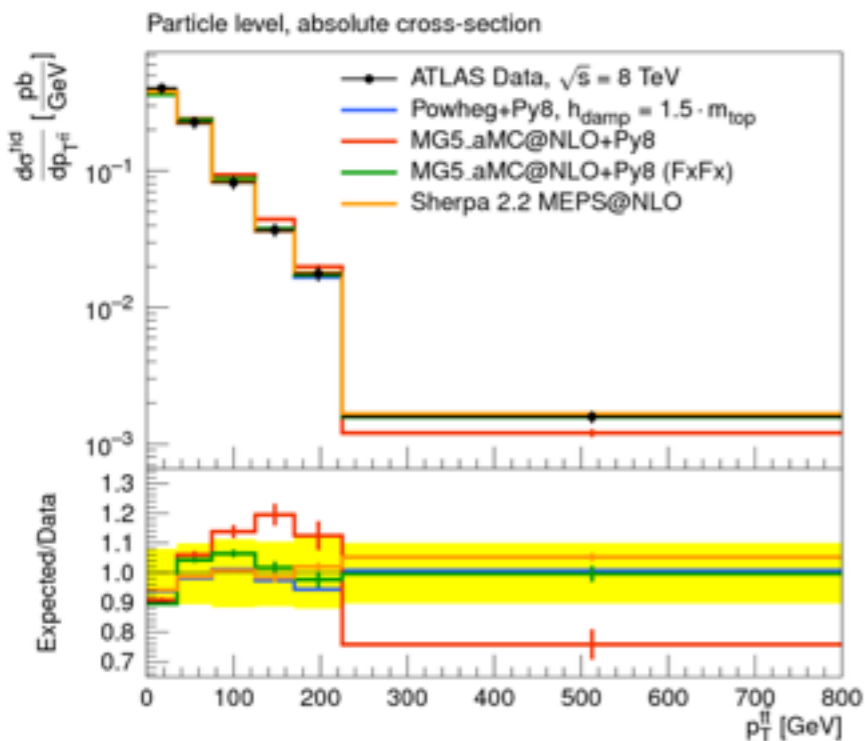
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CMS Diff. p-values

Distribution	χ^2/dof p-value	χ^2/dof p-value	χ^2/dof p-value
	POWHEG+P8 Order: NLO	POWHEG+H++ Order: NLO	MG5_aMC@NLO+P8 MLM Order: LO, up to 3 add. partons
$p_T(t_h)$	14.3/9 0.111	26.3/9 <0.01	34.9/9 <0.01
$ y(t_h) $	4.76/7 0.690	7.61/7 0.368	9.08/7 0.247
$p_T(t_\ell)$	22.9/9 <0.01	40.8/9 <0.01	54.6/9 <0.01
$ y(t_\ell) $	7.14/7 0.415	10.6/7 0.156	18.2/7 0.011
$M(t\bar{t})$	9.25/8 0.322	173/8 <0.01	13.4/8 0.100
$p_T(t\bar{t})$	2.31/5 0.805	39.6/5 <0.01	48.9/5 <0.01
$ y(t\bar{t}) $	1.37/6 0.967	2.44/6 0.876	14.5/6 0.025
Additional jets	27.6/5 <0.01	16.2/5 <0.01	36.3/5 <0.01
Additional jets vs. $p_T(t\bar{t})$	70.3/20 <0.01	95.4/20 <0.01	168/20 <0.01
Additional jets vs. $p_T(t_h)$	96.2/36 <0.01	218/36 <0.01	180/36 <0.01
$ y(t_h) $ vs. $p_T(t_h)$	60.1/36 <0.01	212/36 <0.01	128/36 <0.01
$M(t\bar{t})$ vs. $ y(t\bar{t}) $	28.2/24 0.251	280/24 <0.01	41.2/24 0.016
$p_T(t\bar{t})$ vs. $M(t\bar{t})$	16.7/32 0.988	465/32 <0.01	97.6/32 <0.01
	MG5_aMC@NLO+P8 Order: NLO	MG5_aMC@NLO+H++ Order: NLO	MG5_aMC@NLO+P8 FxFx Order: NLO, up to 2 add. partons
$p_T(t_h)$	13.1/9 0.159	6.85/9 0.653	5.05/9 0.830
$ y(t_h) $	9.91/7 0.194	13.5/7 0.060	8.12/7 0.322
$p_T(t_\ell)$	13.4/9 0.147	8.02/9 0.533	7.97/9 0.538
$ y(t_\ell) $	14.3/7 0.045	7.24/7 0.404	15.9/7 0.026
$M(t\bar{t})$	10.9/8 0.206	34.2/8 <0.01	33.0/8 <0.01
$p_T(t\bar{t})$	40.0/5 <0.01	7.65/5 0.177	27.8/5 <0.01
$ y(t\bar{t}) $	2.72/6 0.843	2.77/6 0.837	3.58/6 0.733
Additional jets	36.2/5 <0.01	15.7/5 <0.01	10.8/5 0.056
Additional jets vs. $p_T(t\bar{t})$	237/20 <0.01	192/20 <0.01	87.2/20 <0.01
Additional jets vs. $p_T(t_h)$	251/36 <0.01	76.0/36 <0.01	45.6/36 0.132
$ y(t_h) $ vs. $p_T(t_h)$	48.9/36 0.074	100/36 <0.01	49.1/36 0.071
$M(t\bar{t})$ vs. $ y(t\bar{t}) $	25.1/24 0.403	53.4/24 <0.01	56.7/24 <0.01
$p_T(t\bar{t})$ vs. $M(t\bar{t})$	133/32 <0.01	157/32 <0.01	109/32 <0.01