



Measurements of $t\bar{t}$ + X using the ATLAS detector

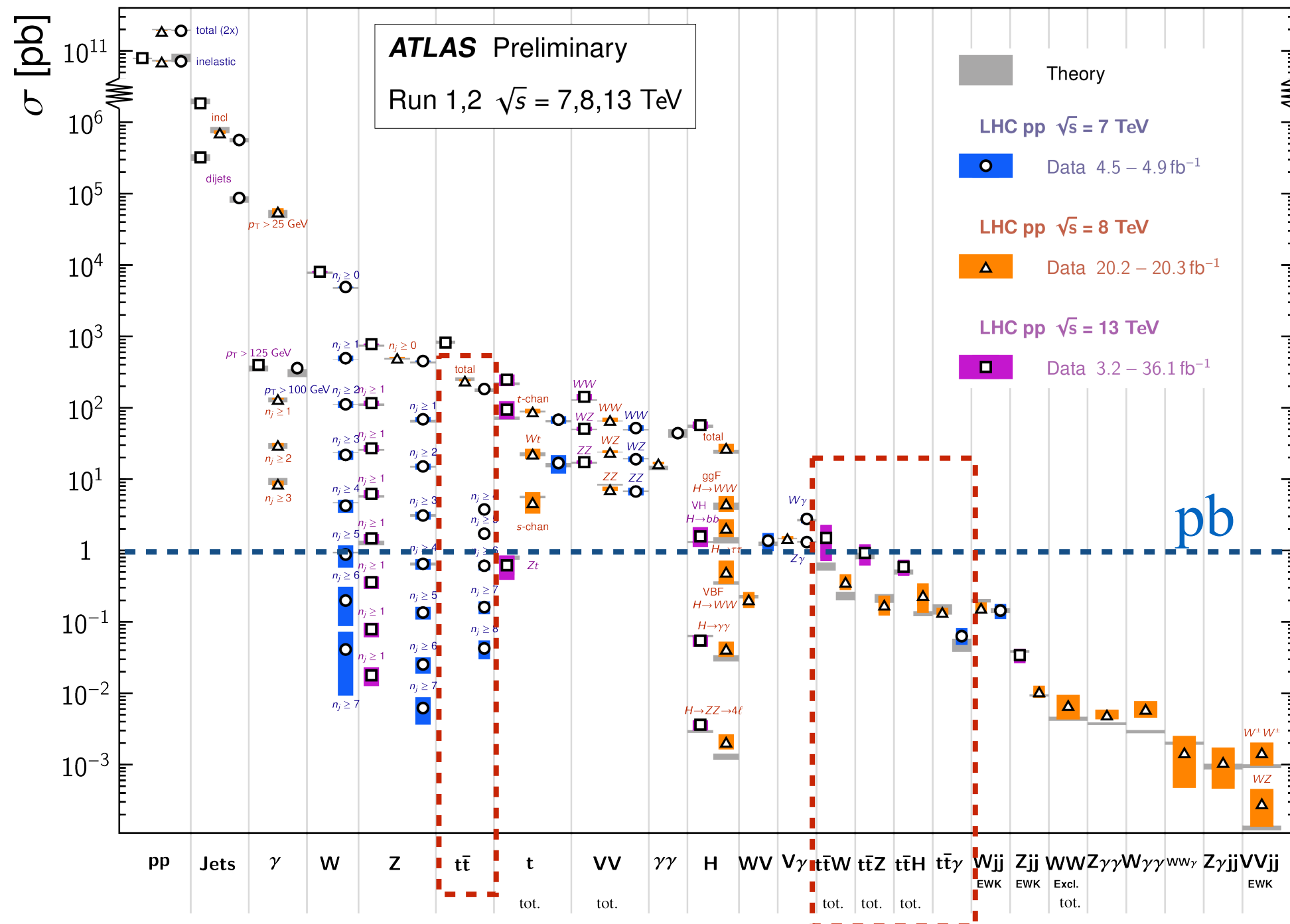
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Large statistics and increased center-of-mass energy allows access to the phase space for $t\bar{t}$ associated production at the LHC

Standard Model Production Cross Section Measurements

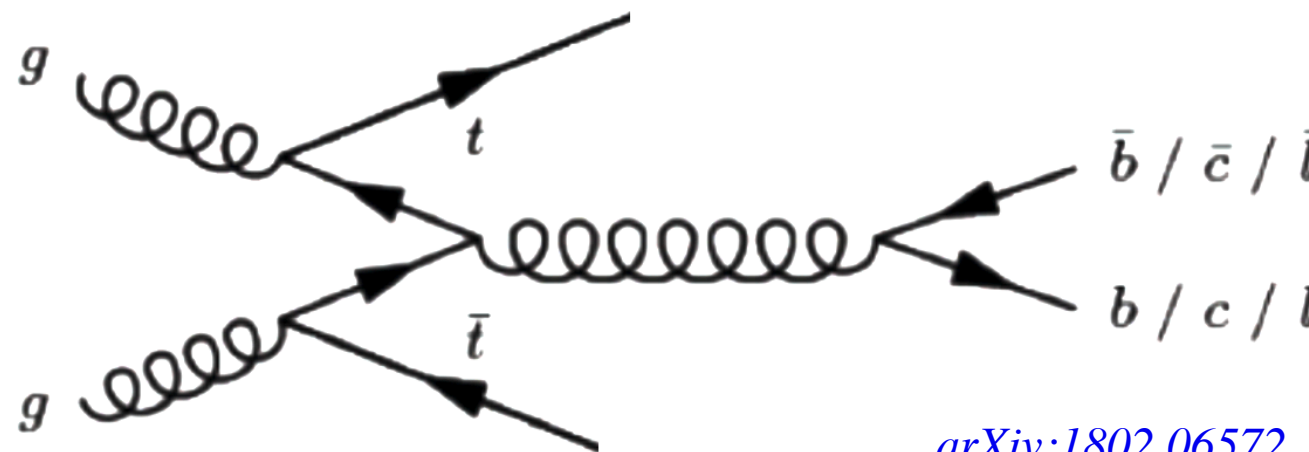
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$\sqrt{t\bar{t}+jets}$ @ 13TeV
 $\sqrt{t\bar{t}+W/Z}$ @ 13TeV
 $\sqrt{t\bar{t}+\gamma}$ @ 8 TeV

$t\bar{t} + H$: see talk by
 Arthur Chomont at the
 Higgs+BSM (WG1)
 session

- Sensitive to initial/final state radiation (ISR/FSR) and modeling of $t\bar{t}$ production
- Important test of pQCD and Standard Model (SM)
- Improve modeling of parton shower and hadronization
- Dominant background for several beyond SM searches



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[arXiv:1802.06572](#) (submitted to JHEP):

- ❖ Measurement of additional jet activity produced in electron + muon $t\bar{t}$ events:
 - $1e^\pm$ and $1\mu^\mp$, ≥ 2 b-tag jets

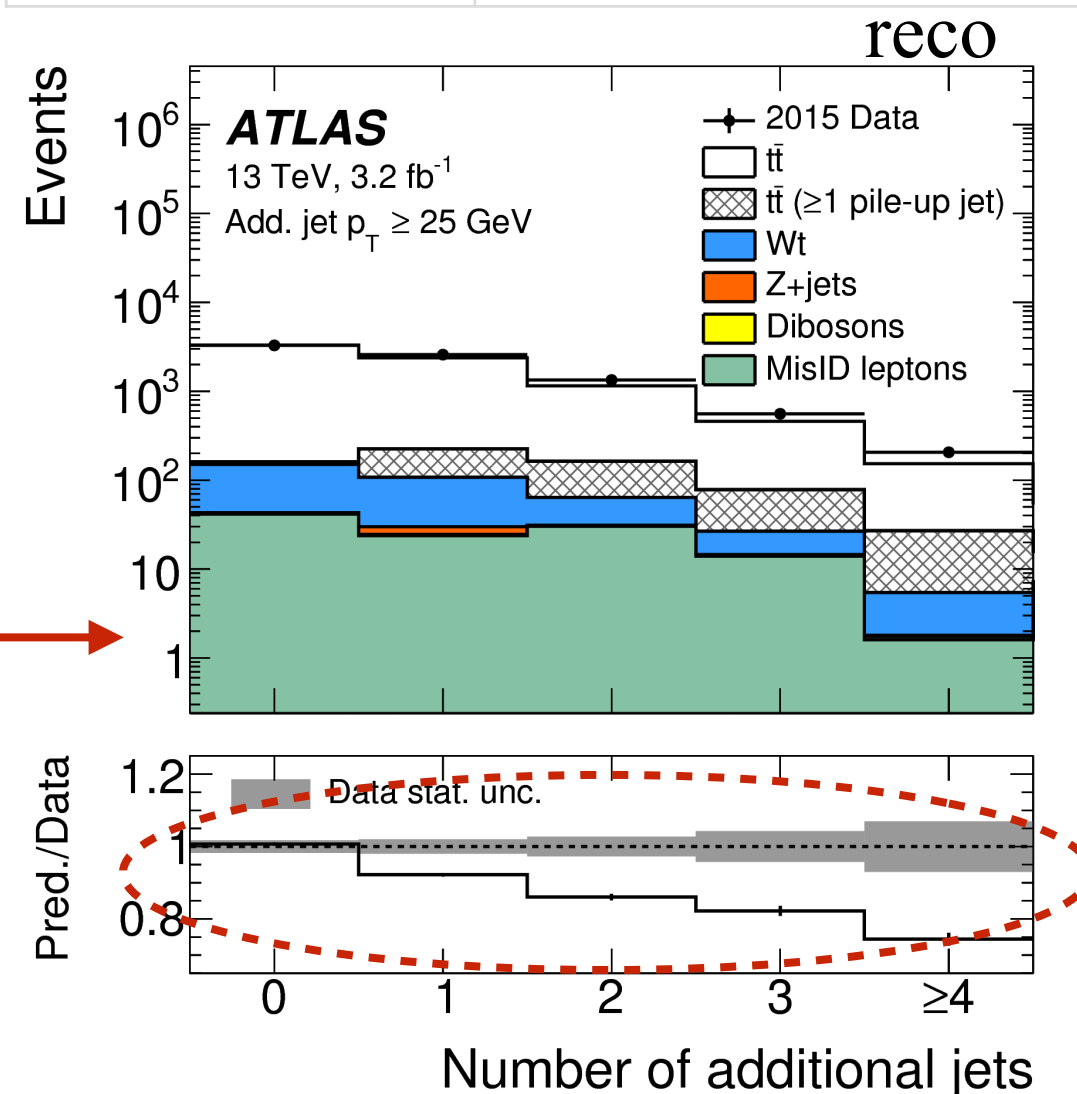
Study additional jet multiplicity and additional jet- p_T spectra

- ❖ Measurement of $t\bar{t} + \text{jets}$ differential cross section in electron or muon events
 - $1e$ or 1μ , ≥ 4 jets (≥ 2 b-tag)

Reconstruct both top quarks and study $p_T(t^{\text{had}})$, $p_T(t\bar{t})$ in different n-jet bins

- Clean signature and small uncertainties
- Backgrounds $\sim 4.5\%$
- Additional jets p_T thresholds of 25, 40, 60 and 80 GeV
- $\sim 25\%$ discrepancy in jet multiplicity at the reconstruction level
- Unfold to particle level

Background	Estimation
Single top (Wt) $\sim 3.1\%$	Simulation normalized to predicted x-sec
Fake leptons $\sim 1.6\%$	Data driven
Z+jets $< 1\%$	Shape in simulation with normalization data driven
Diboson $< 1\%$	Simulation

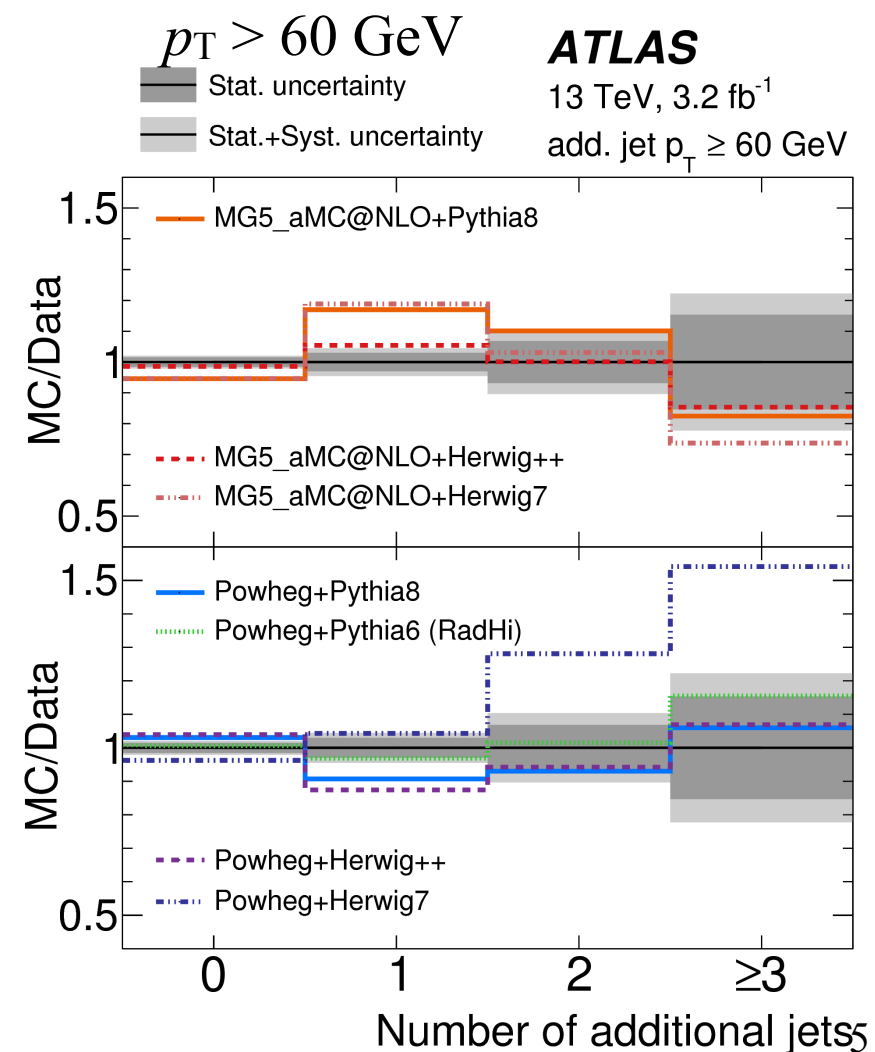
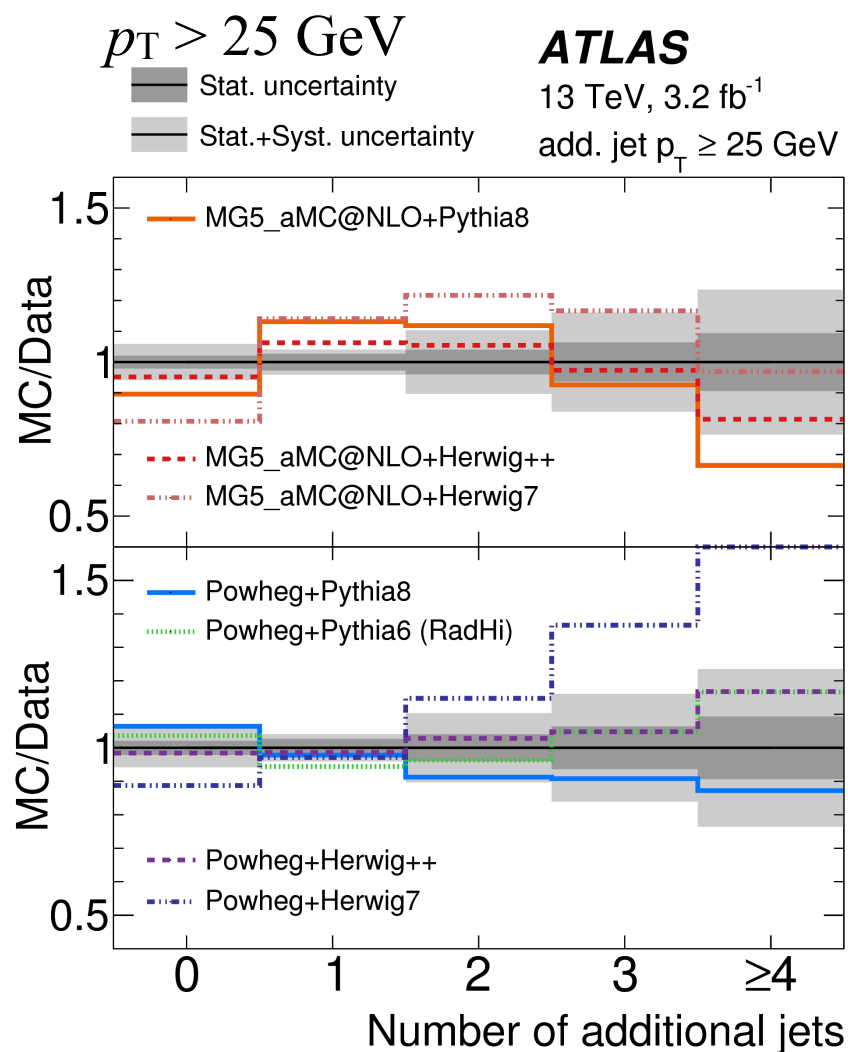
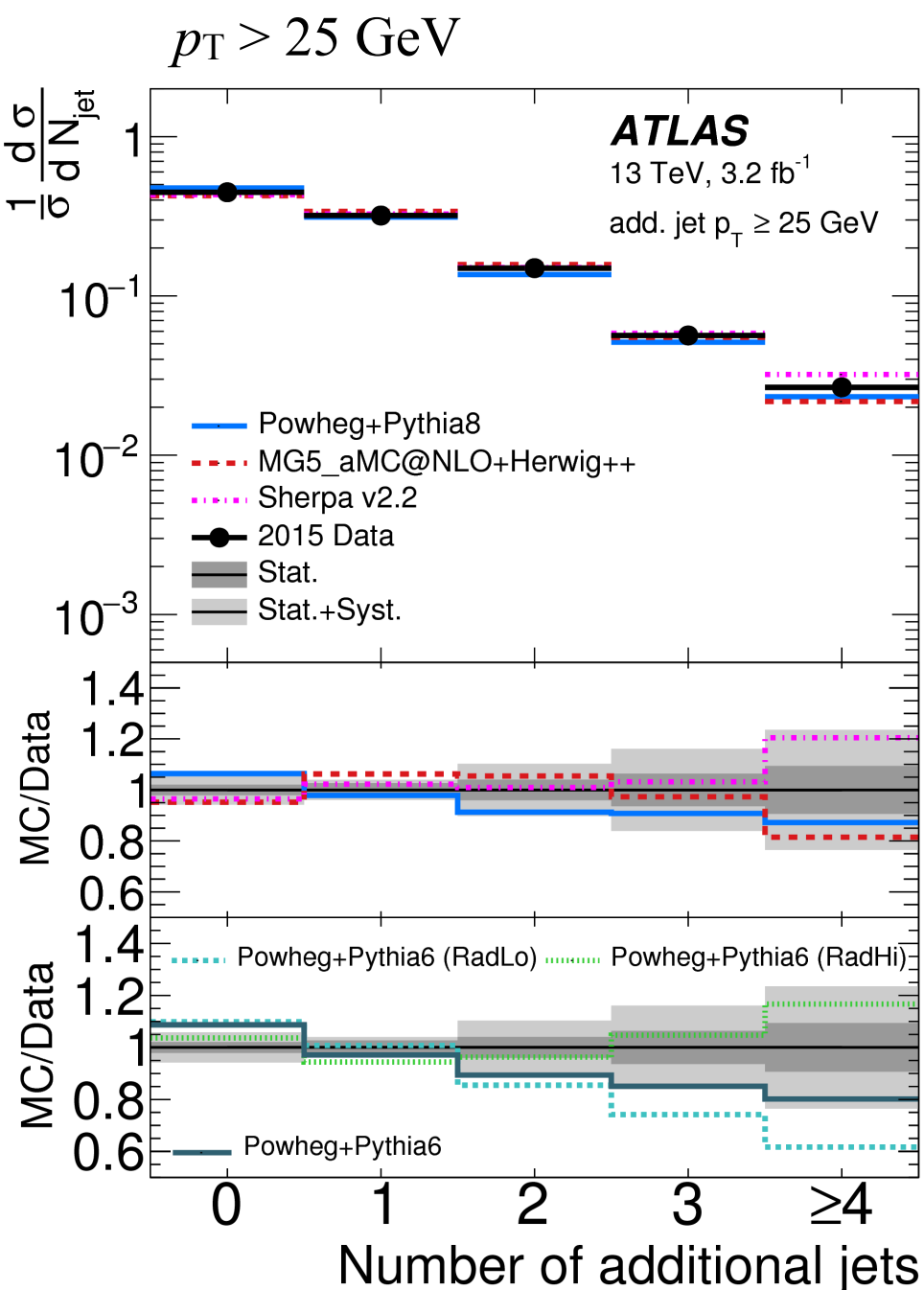


$e\mu$ events: jet multiplicities

- Major systematic uncertainties:
 - jet energy scale (JES)
 - matrix element (ME), parton shower (PS), ISR/FSR
- Sensitive to ME, PS and scale variation

MG5_aMC@LO, Powheg varies 5-10% but within the uncertainty for all PS except Herwig7

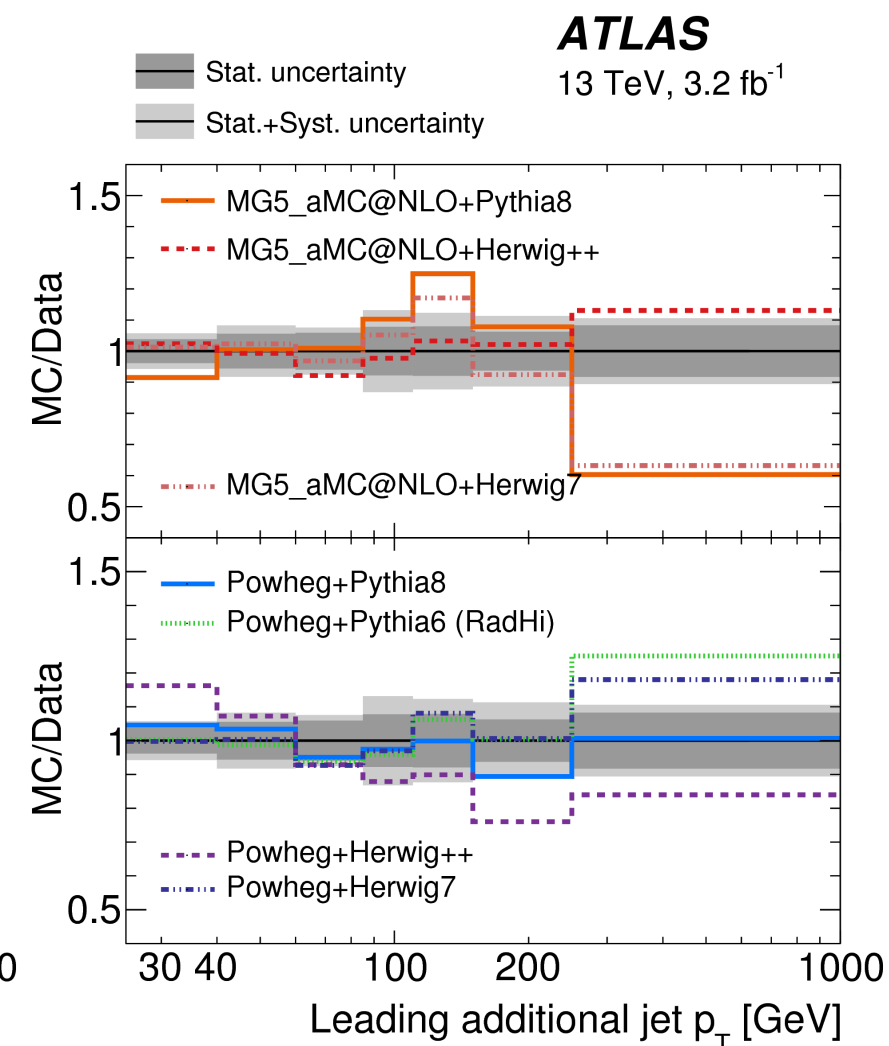
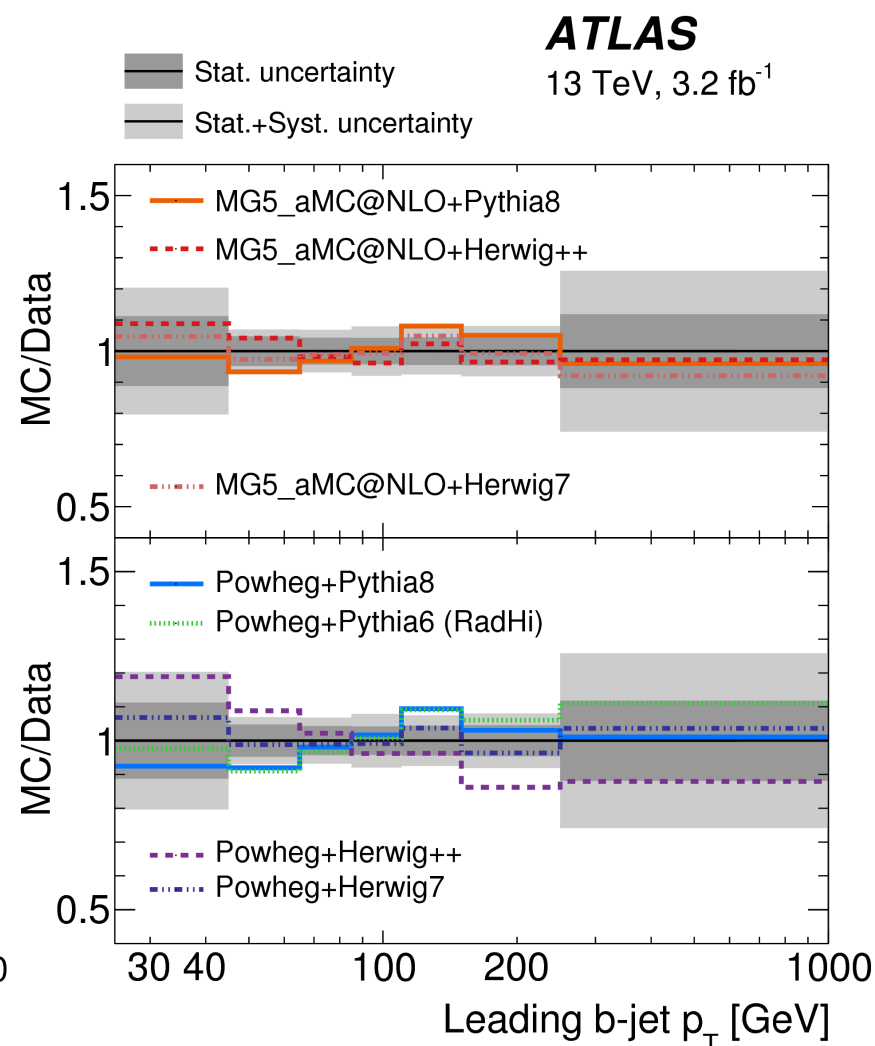
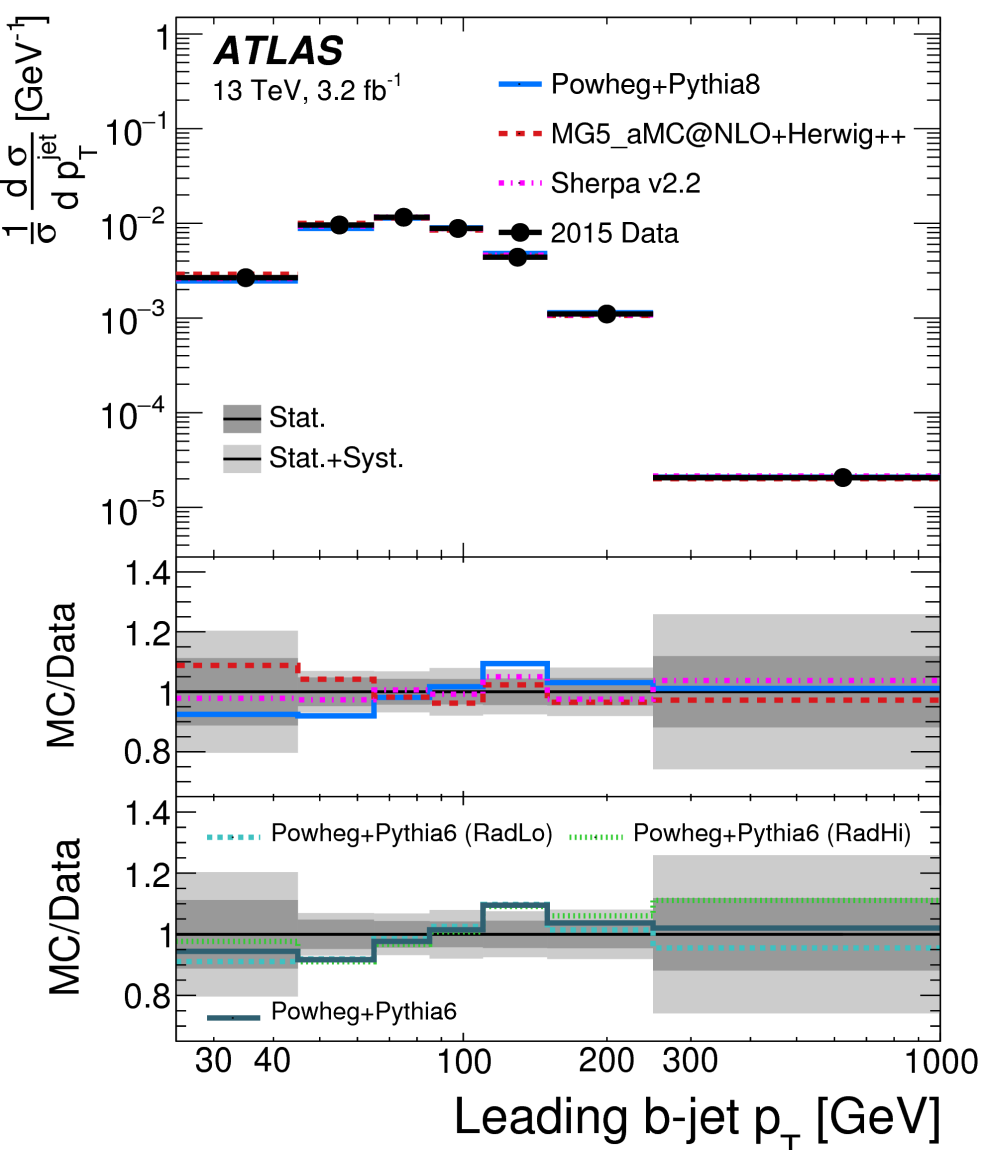
Herwig7 deviates significantly for all p_T threshold



$e\mu$ events: additional jet p_T

- Normalized differential cross section:
 - additional leading jet/b-jet p_T
 - compare various and ME and PS models
- Major systematic uncertainties:
 - JES/JER
 - NLO generator
 - PS/hadronization

Powheg+Herwig++
MG5_aMC@LO+Pythia8
doesn't provide good description



$t\bar{t} + \text{jets}$ in $e/\mu + \text{jets}$ events

- Sensitive to the effect of gluon radiation on the kinematic variables of $t\bar{t}$ production
- Analysis divided into 4-jet excl., 5-jet excl., 6-jet incl. regions
- Reconstruct the top quarks for $p_T(t^{\text{had}})$ and $p_T(t\bar{t})$

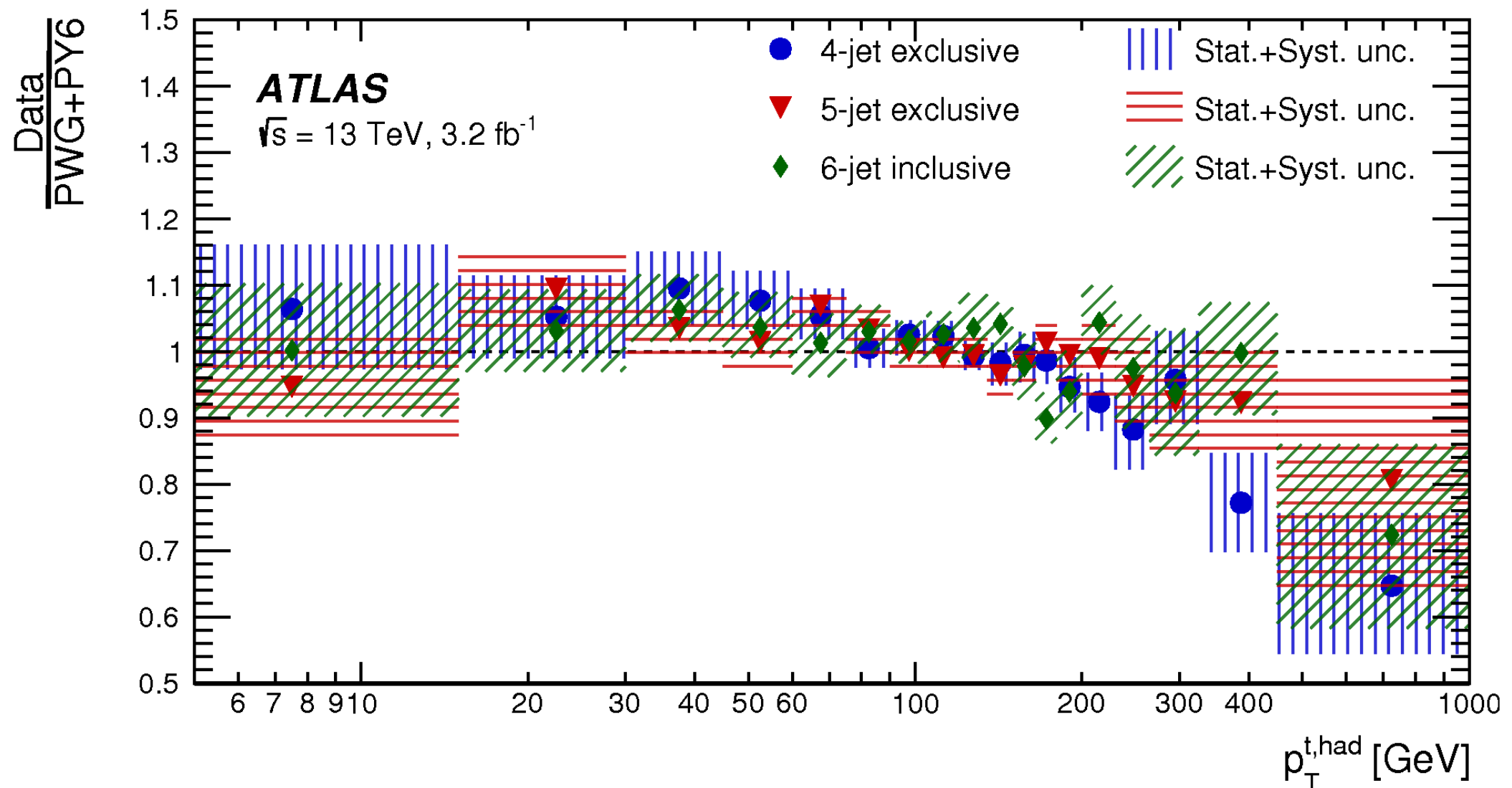
Background	Estimation
Single top $\sim 5\%$	Simulation and normalized to predicted cross section
Multijet $\sim 4\%$	Data driven
$W + \text{jets} \sim 2 - 3\%$	Shape in simulation, normalization of heavy flavor fraction from data
$Z + \text{jets}, t\bar{t} V, VV \sim 1 - 2\%$	Simulation and normalized to predicted cross sections.

- The distributions are unfolded to particle level

$e/\mu + \text{jets}$ events: $p_T(t^{\text{had}})$ spectra

- Dominant uncertainties:
 - flavor tagging (4-jet excl.)
 - JES/JER increasing with jet multiplicity
- Models underestimate (overestimate) the data at low (high) values
- Agreement increases with jet multiplicity

Powheg+Herwig++ is found to be incompatible with data in χ^2 test

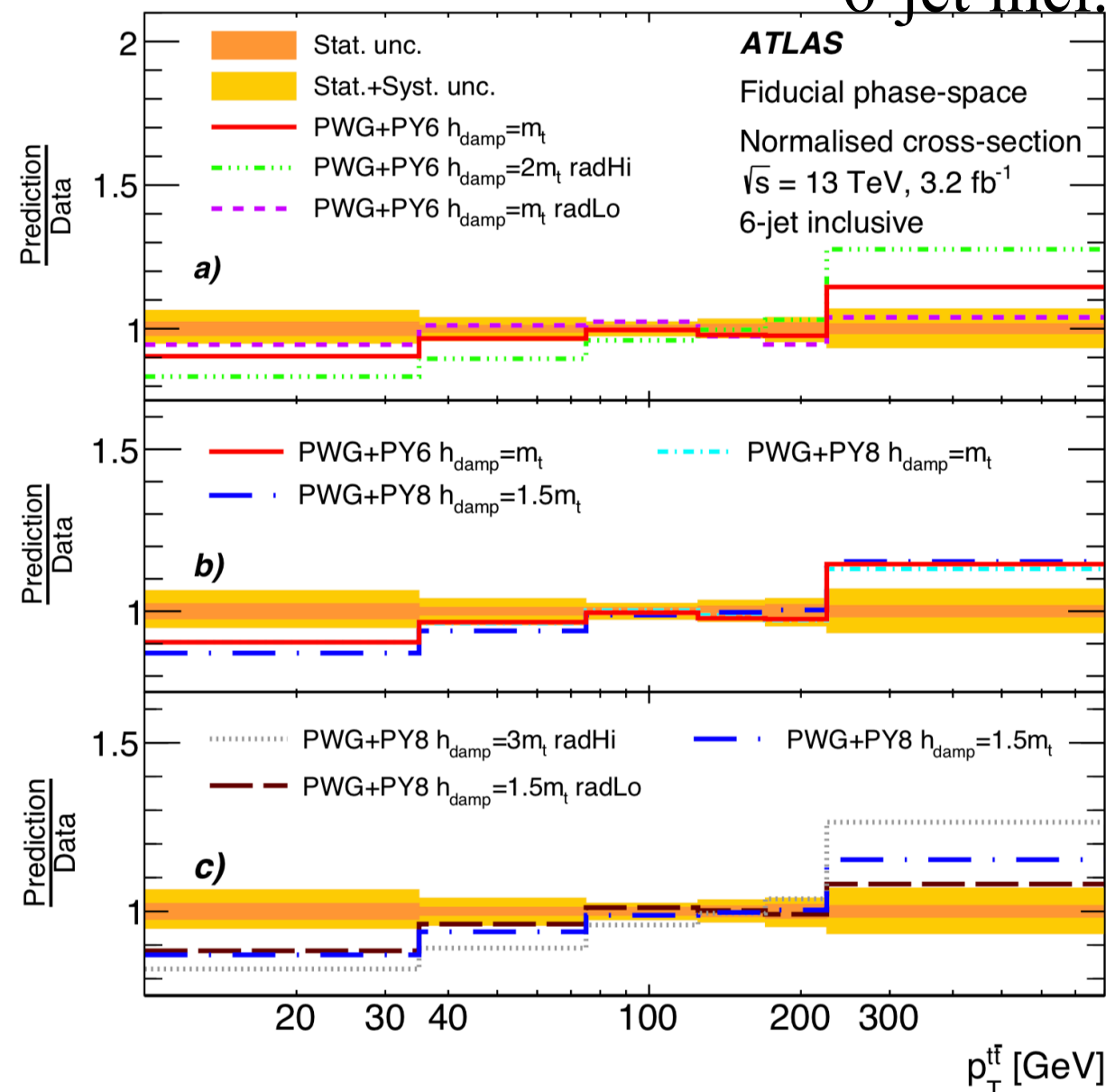
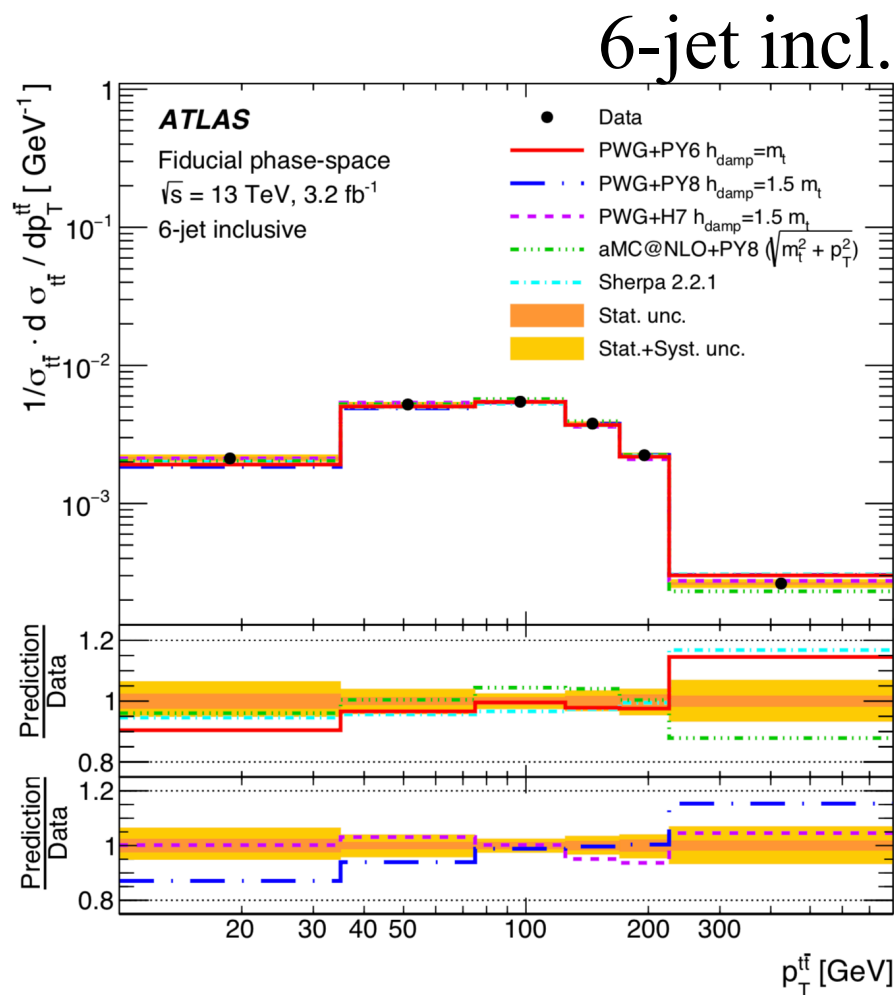


$e/\mu + \text{jets}$ events: $p_T(t\bar{t})$ spectra

- Strongly sensitive to gluon emission:
 - increasing $p_T(t\bar{t})$ with increasing jet multiplicity
- Good agreement in 4-jet/5-jet region
- Some discrepancy in 6-jet incl.

MG5_aMC@NLO is found to be incompatible with data in χ^2 test

6-jet incl.



- Direct measurement of tZ coupling via FSR
- BSM models could enhance the $t\bar{t} + V$ cross section
- Dominant and irreducible background for many searches including $t\bar{t} + H$ production

Divide to multiple regions for maximum sensitivity

Process	$t\bar{t}$ decay	Boson decay	Channel
$t\bar{t}W$	$(\mu^\pm \nu b)(q\bar{q}b)$	$\mu^\pm \nu$	SS*dimuon
	$(\ell^\pm \nu b)(\ell^\mp \nu b)$	$\ell^\pm \nu$	Trilepton
$t\bar{t}Z$	$(\ell^\pm \nu b)(q\bar{q}b)$	$\ell^+ \ell^-$	Trilepton
	$(\ell^\pm \nu b)(\ell^\mp \nu b)$	$\ell^+ \ell^-$	Tetralepton

* same electric charge

Simultaneous fit to the signal region (SR) and control regions (CR) to extract the $t\bar{t} + W/Z$ cross sections

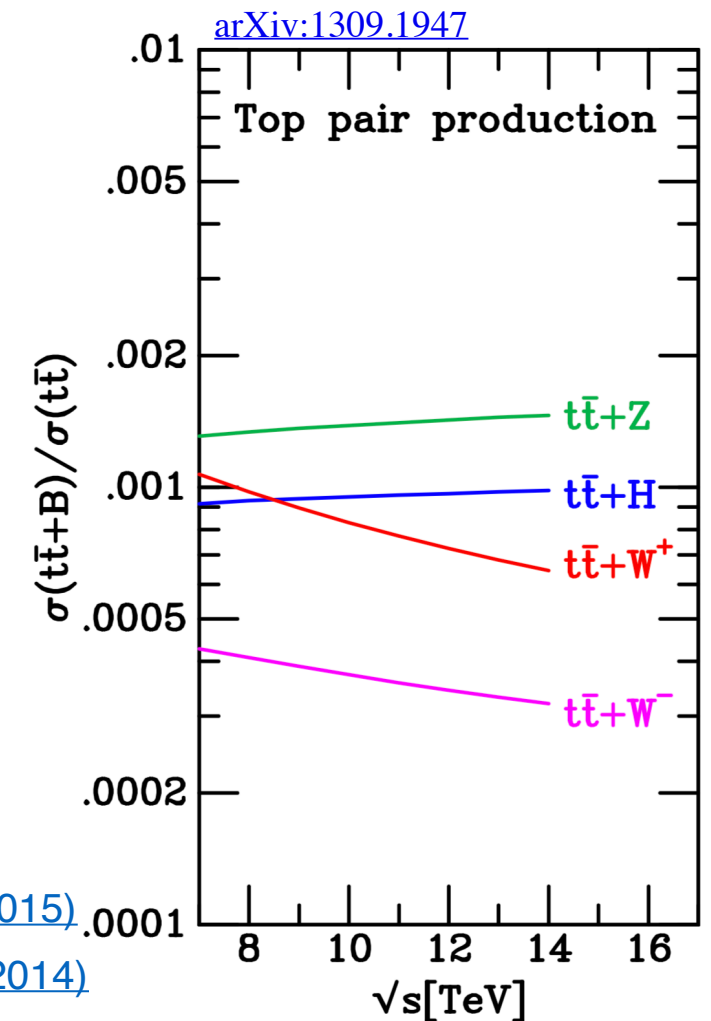
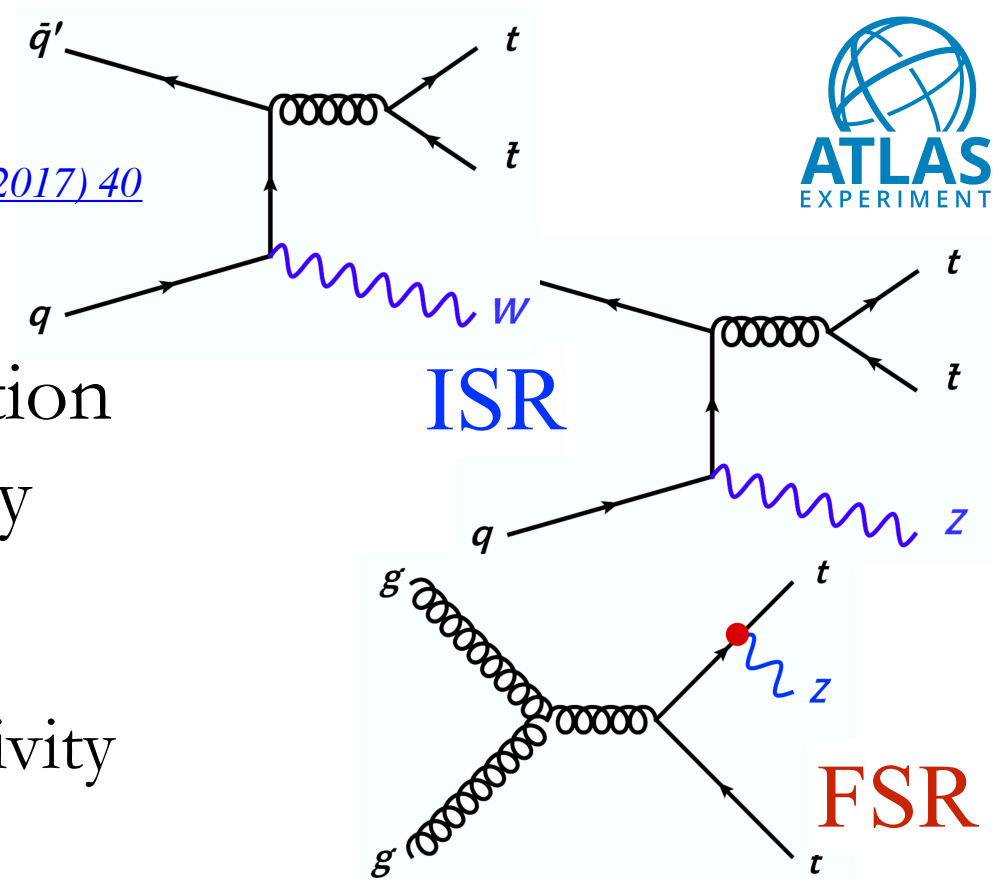
NLO QCD predictions:

$$\sigma(t\bar{t}Z) = 0.84 \pm 0.09 (\sim 11\%) \text{ pb}$$

$$\sigma(t\bar{t}W) = 0.60 \pm 0.08 (\sim 13\%) \text{ pb}$$

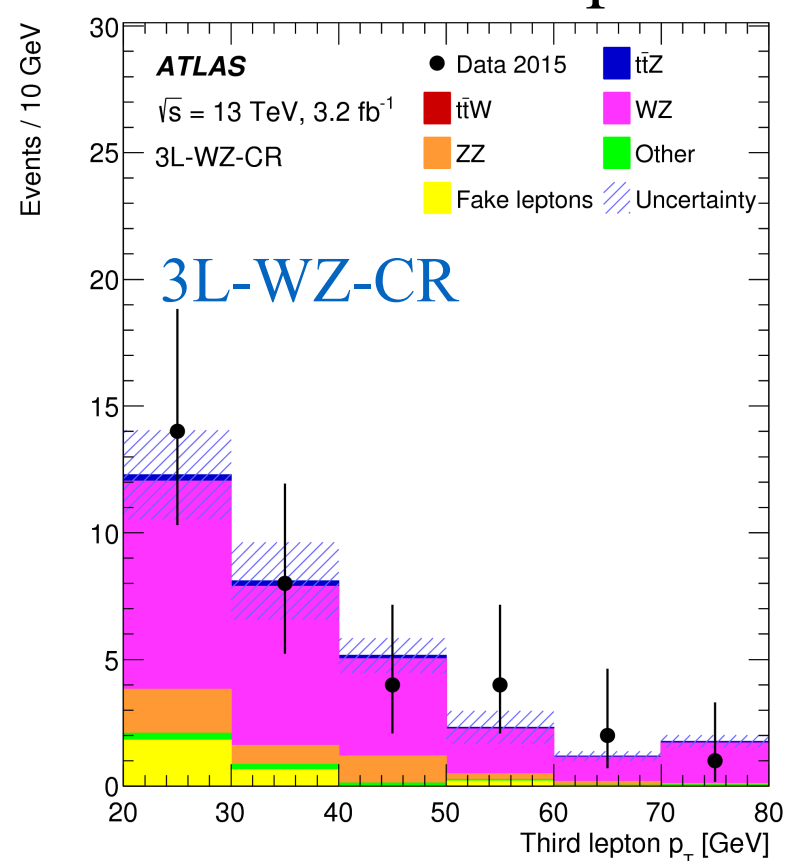
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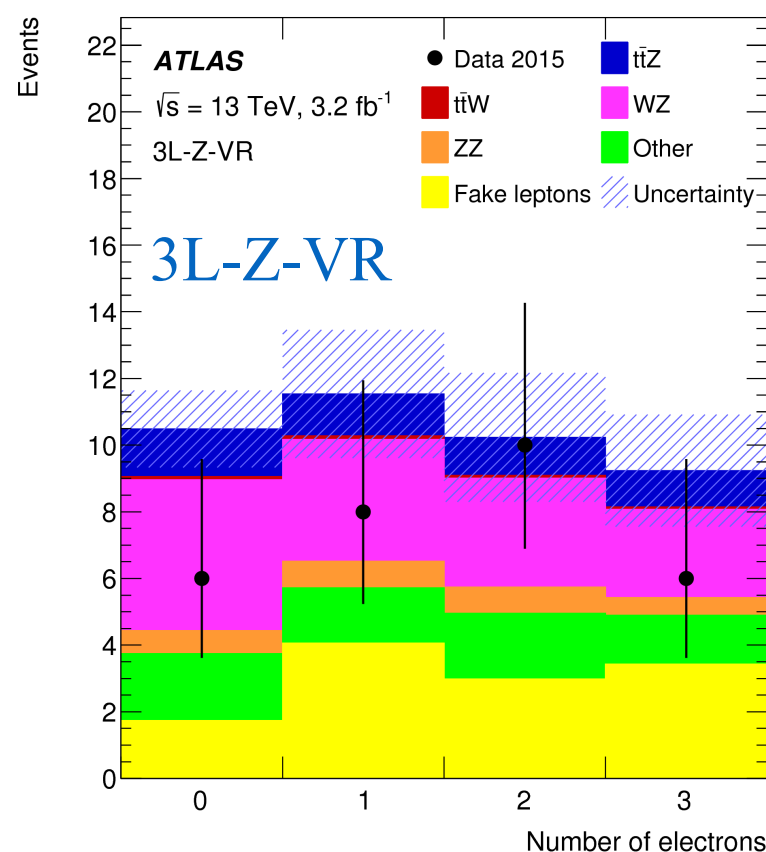


	Selection	Main backgrounds
3lZ	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Z mass window < 10 GeV, Pair of opposite electric charge but same flavor (OSSF) leptons Separate: 1b4j, 2b3j, 2b4j regions 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fake leptons: data driven Matrix method WZ: shape in simulation with normalization from fit to data in a control region (3L-WZ-CR)
4l	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2 pairs of OS leptons with at least 1 pair SF Reconstruct two Z bosons Separate by flavor: SF, DF(different flavor) Separate: 4l-DF-1b, 4l-DF-2b, 4l-SF-1b, 4l-SF-2b 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ZZ: shape in simulation with normalization from fit to data in a control region (4L-ZZ-CR)

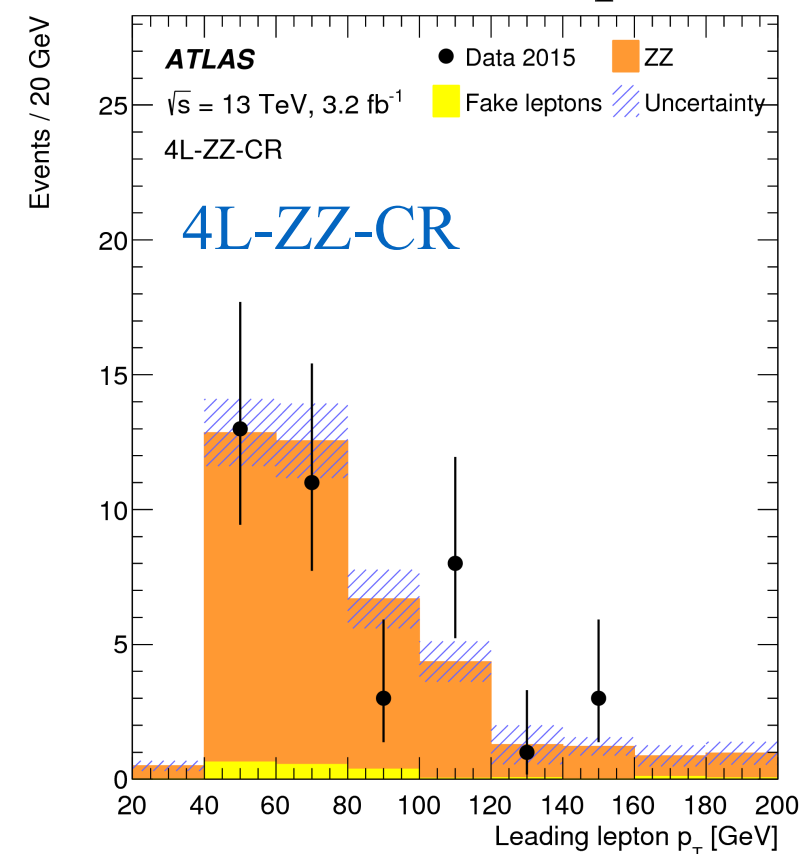
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Validation Region (VR)

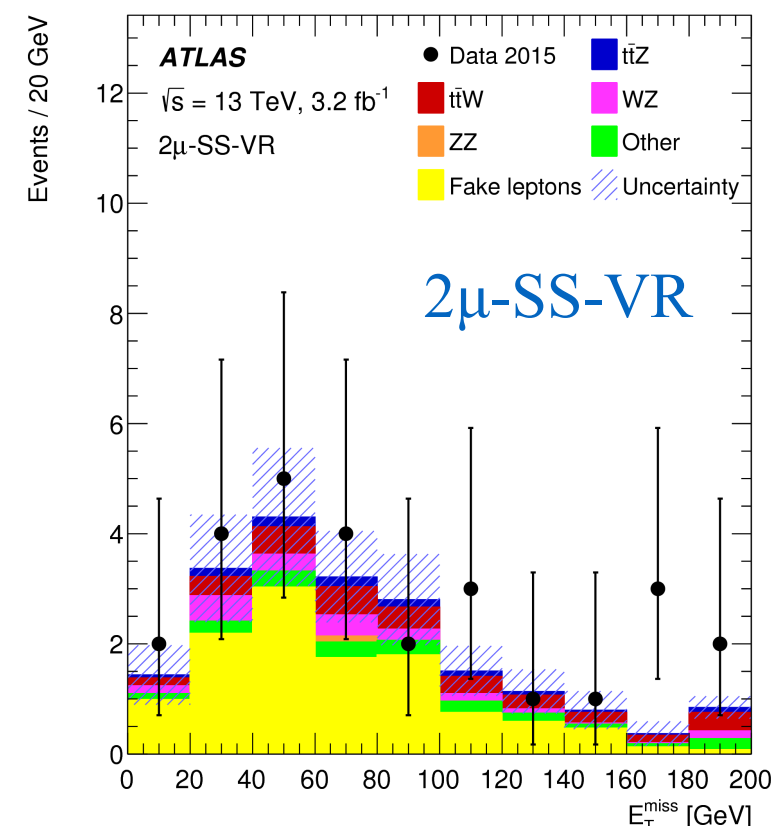
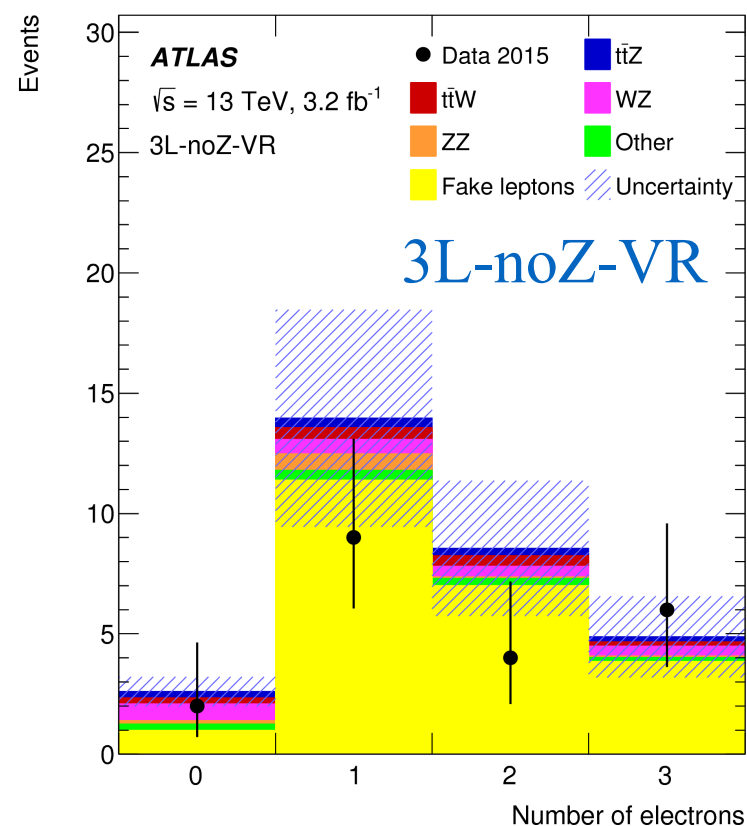


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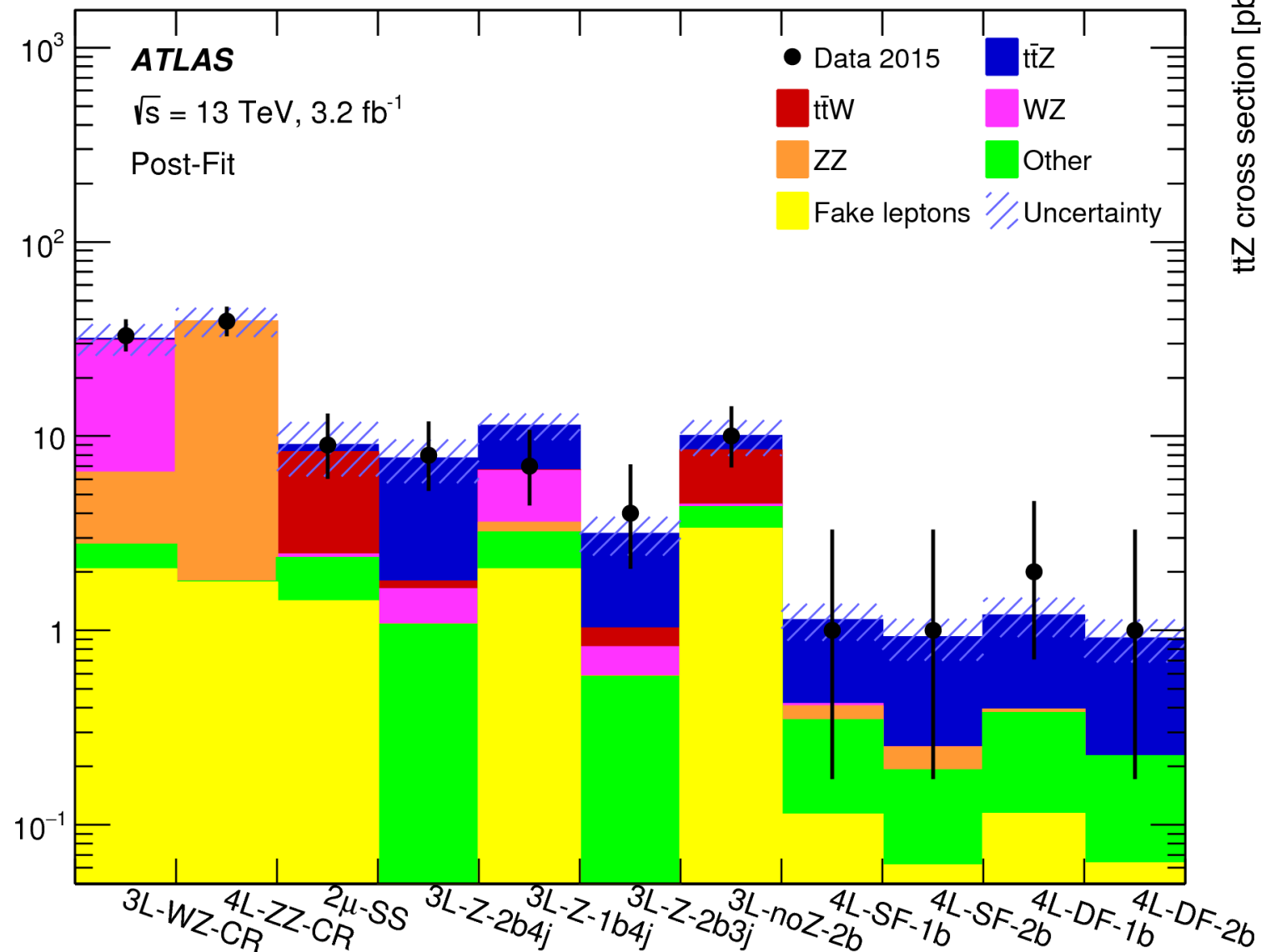
	Selection	Main backgrounds
$3l\ \text{no}Z$	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Z mass window $> 10\ \text{GeV}$ (Z veto) Sum of lepton electric charge ± 1 $2 \leq n_{\text{jets}} \leq 4, n_{\text{bjets}} \geq 2$ 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> $t\bar{t} + Z$: simultaneous fit $t\bar{t} + H$: simulation Fake leptons: data driven Matrix method
2μ	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2 muons with same electric charge (SS) Sum of muon electric charge ± 2 Scalar sum of the p_T of $\mu + \text{jets}$, $H_T > 240\ \text{GeV}$ Missing transverse momentum, $E_T(\text{miss}) > 20\ \text{GeV}$ 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fake leptons: data driven Matrix method

Validation regions (VR) to test the background estimations

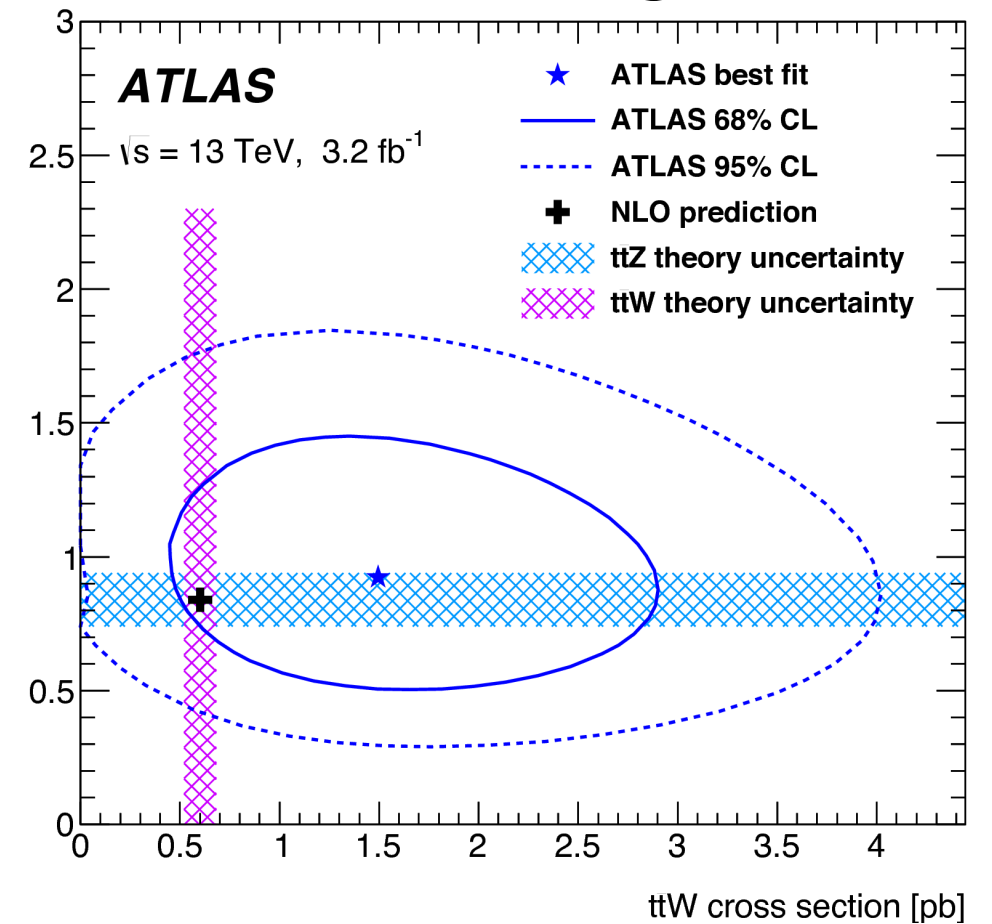


Simultaneous profile likelihood fit in 9 signal and 2 control regions

Events



$t\bar{t}Z$ cross section [pb]



$$\begin{aligned} \sigma(t\bar{t}Z) &= 0.9 \pm 0.3 \text{ pb } (\sim 33.3\%) \\ \sigma(t\bar{t}W) &= 1.5 \pm 0.8 \text{ pb } (\sim 53.3\%) \\ \text{correlation} &: -0.13 \end{aligned}$$

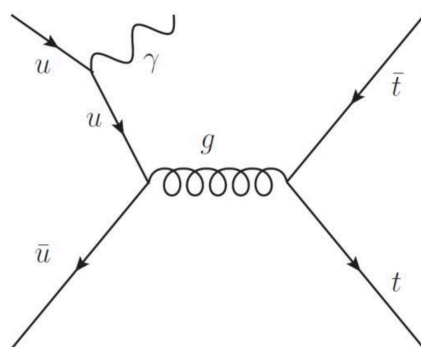
Dominated by statistical uncertainty (31% and 48%)

Observed (expected) significance over the background-only hypothesis:

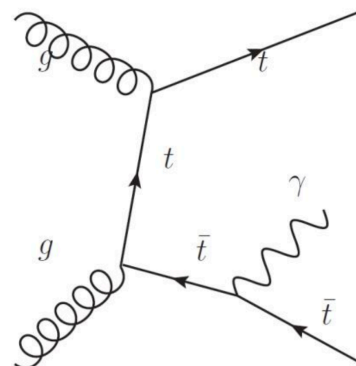
- 3.9σ (3.4σ) for $t\bar{t}Z$
- 2.2σ (1.0σ) for $t\bar{t}W$

- Direct probe of electroweak $t\gamma$ coupling
- Direct probe of V-A and A coupling at the $t\bar{t}\gamma$ vertex
- Dominant background in $t\bar{t} + H(\rightarrow \gamma\gamma)$

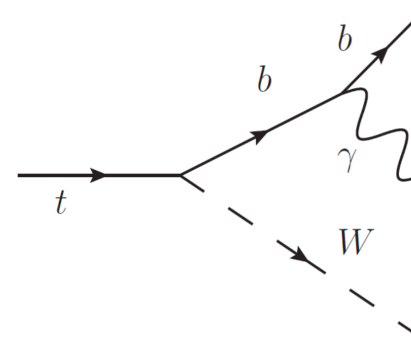
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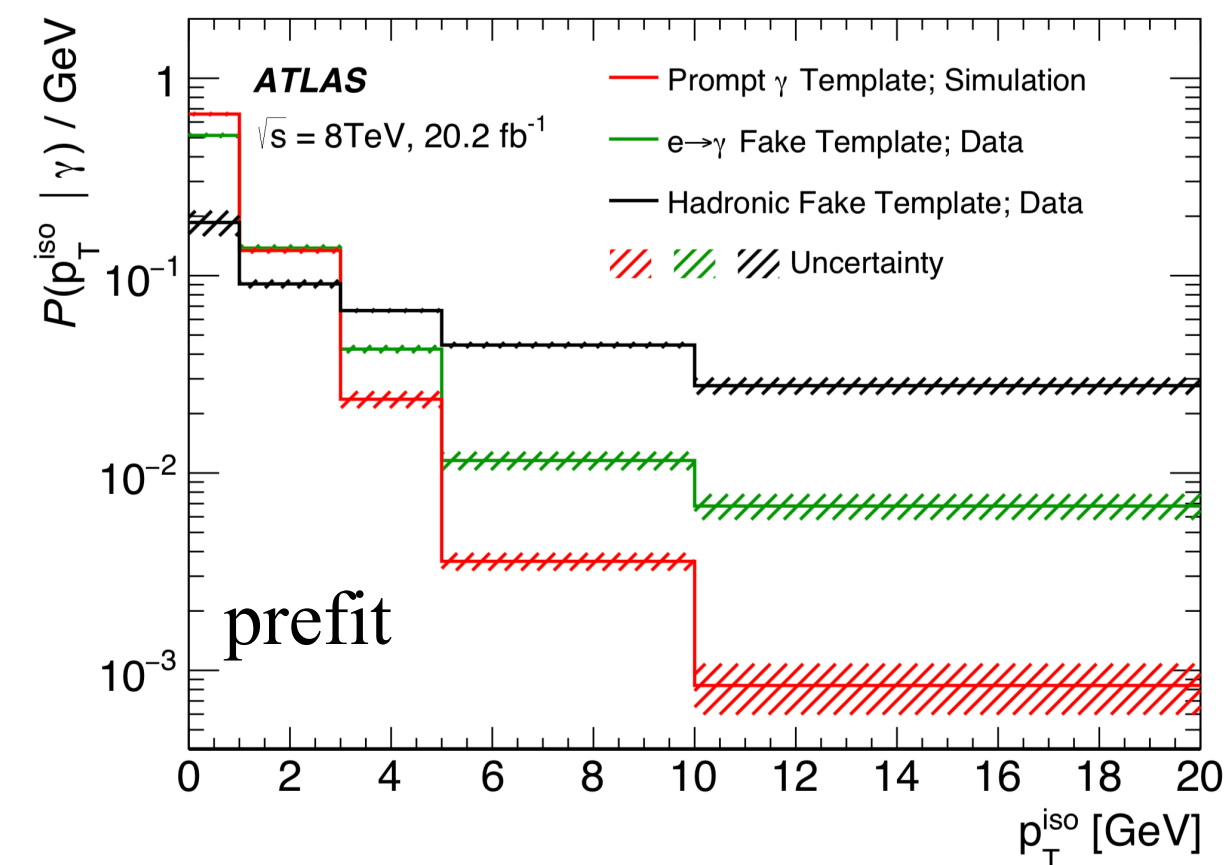
from top quark



FSR



Optimized selection to enhance photons from top quark and to suppress ISR/FSR



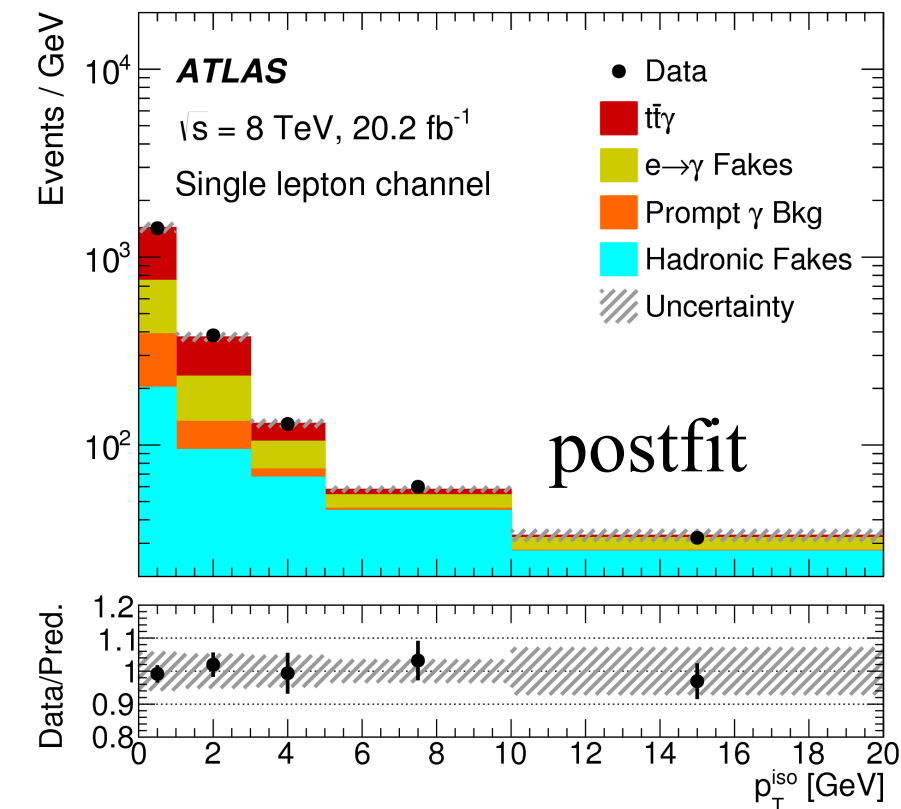
Measured in $e/\mu + jets$ final state

Background template for p_T^{iso} extracted from control regions

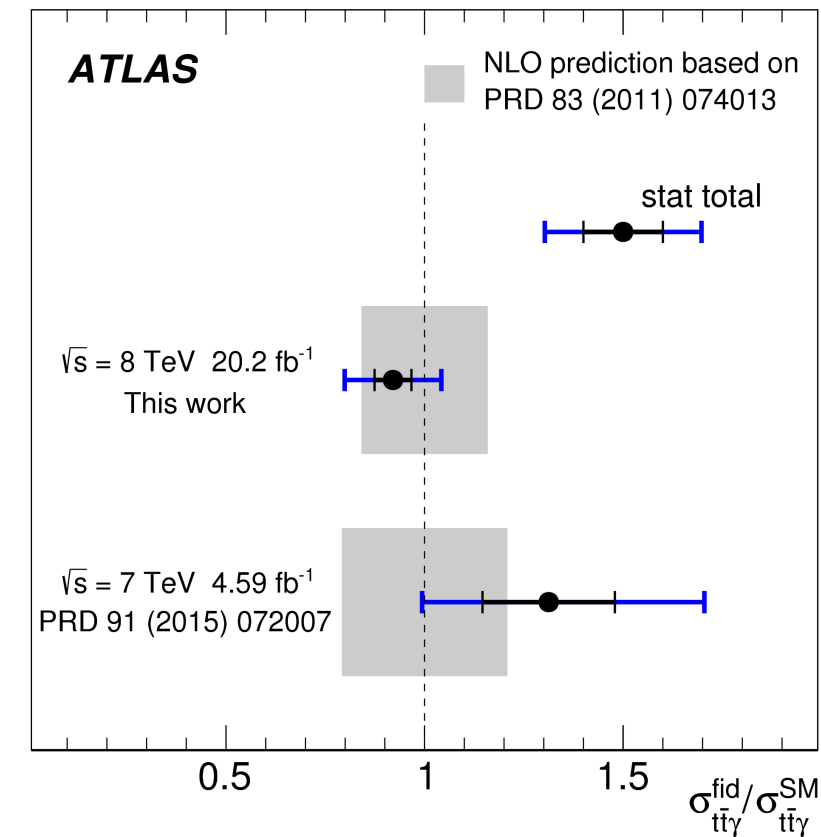
* $p_T^{\text{iso}} = \text{sum of the tracks within } \Delta R = 0.2 \text{ around a photon}$

Maximum likelihood fit of signal and background templates

Dominant uncertainties are hadron and electron fake estimate and statistics



Source	Relative uncertainty [%]
Hadron-fake template	6.3
$e \rightarrow \gamma$ fake	6.3
Jet energy scale	4.9
$W\gamma$ +jets	4.0
$Z\gamma$ +jets	2.8
Initial- and final-state radiation	2.2
Luminosity	2.1
Photon	1.4
Single top+ γ	1.2
Muon	1.2
Electron	1.0
Scale uncertainty	0.6
Parton shower	0.6
Statistical uncertainty	5.1
Total uncertainty	13

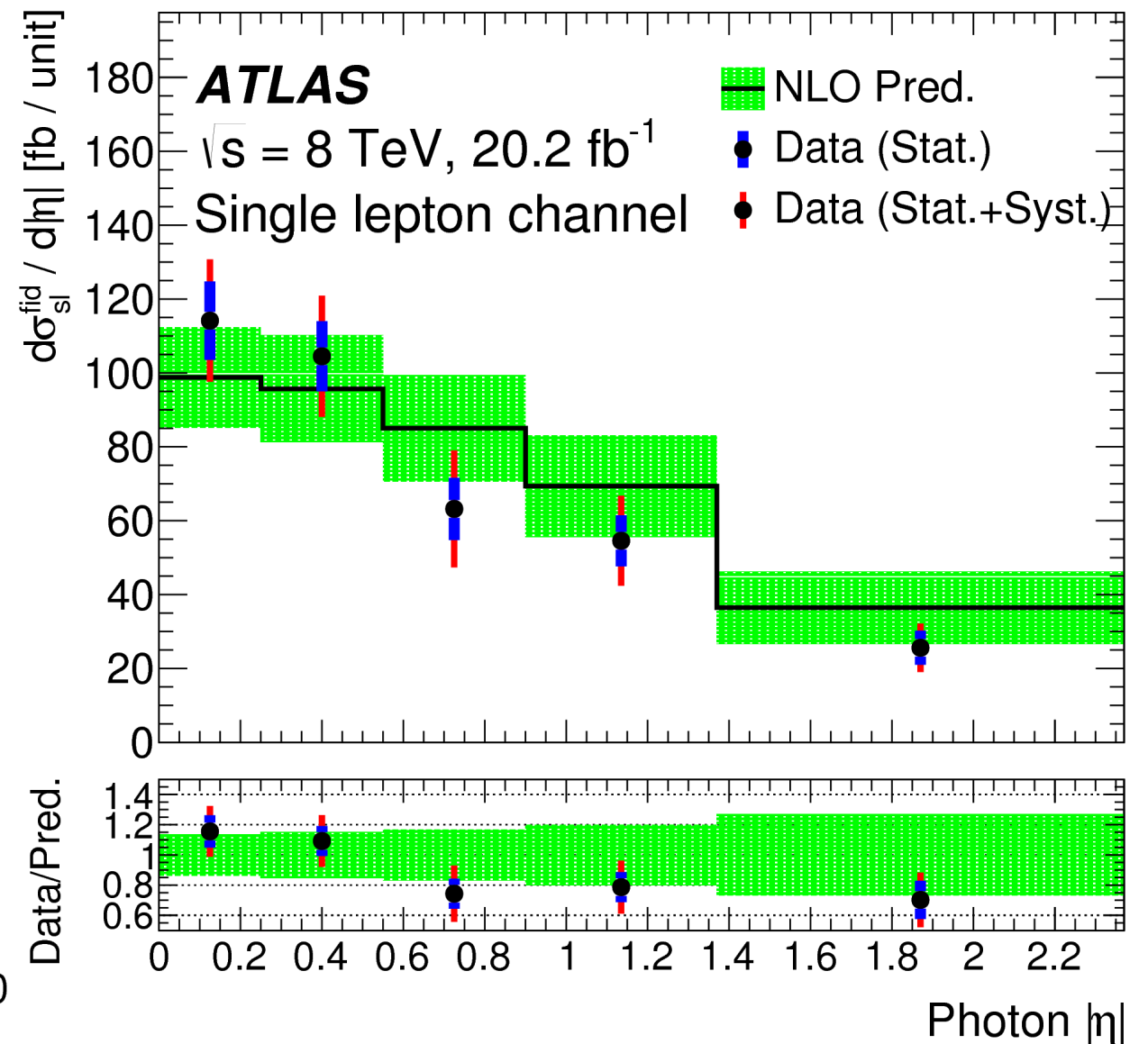
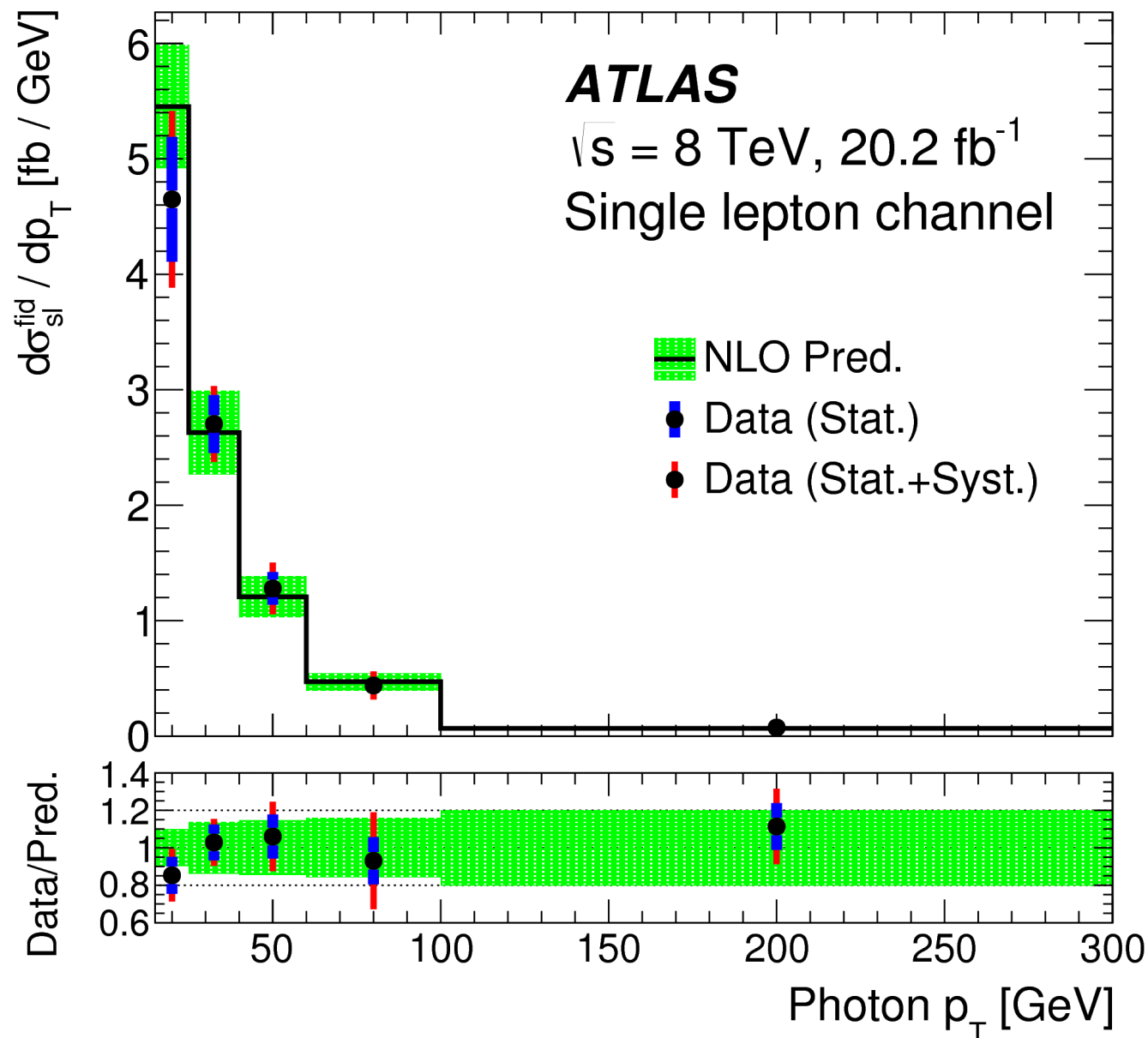


$$\sigma_{\text{fid}} = 139 \pm 7 \text{ (stat)} \pm 17 \text{ (syst.) fb. } (\sim 13\%)$$

$$\sigma_{\text{theory}} = 151 \pm 24 \text{ fb } (\sim 16\%)$$

Photon p_T and $|\eta|$ distributions are unfolded to particle level

The calculated differential cross sections are in good agreement with theoretical predictions at NLO



- $t\bar{t} + X$ measurements is an active field of research at the LHC.
- The current status of the measurements at the ATLAS experiment for center of mass energy of 13 TeV (3.2 fb⁻¹) and 8 TeV has been presented.
- The measurements focused towards a less model dependent approach by using well defined fiducial volume and unfolding procedures.
- These measurements will provide strong constraints on the next iteration of Monte Carlo tuning.
- Precision measurements of $t\bar{t} + X$ will require larger statistics and can be achieved with the large integrated luminosity of Run II.

Thank you!

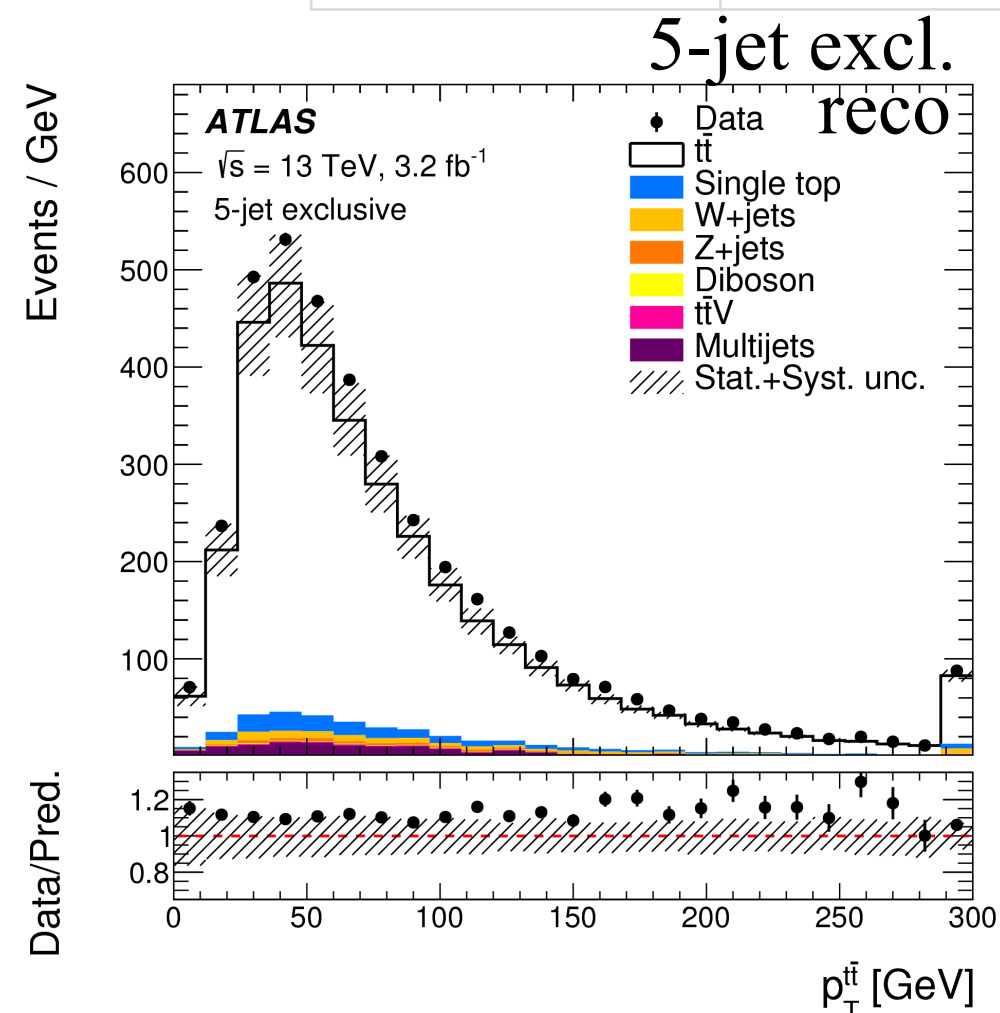
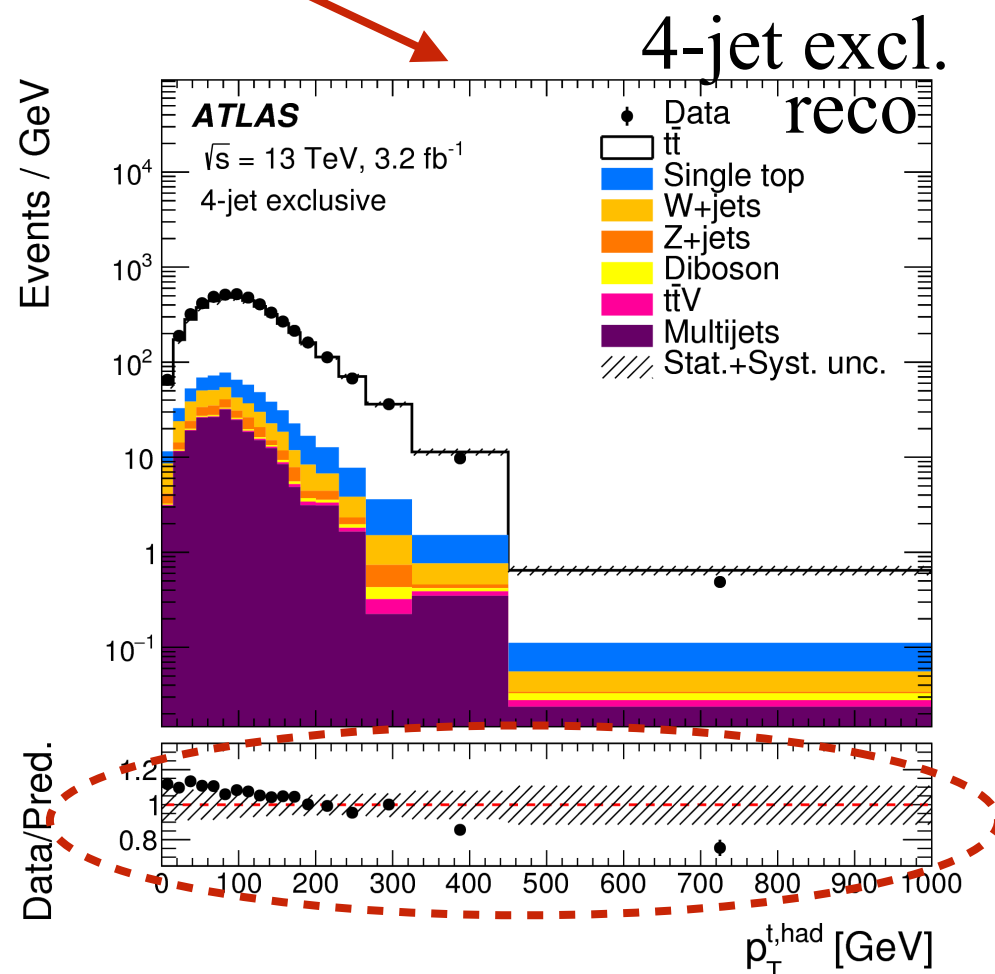
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$t\bar{t}$ + n-jets in e/ μ events

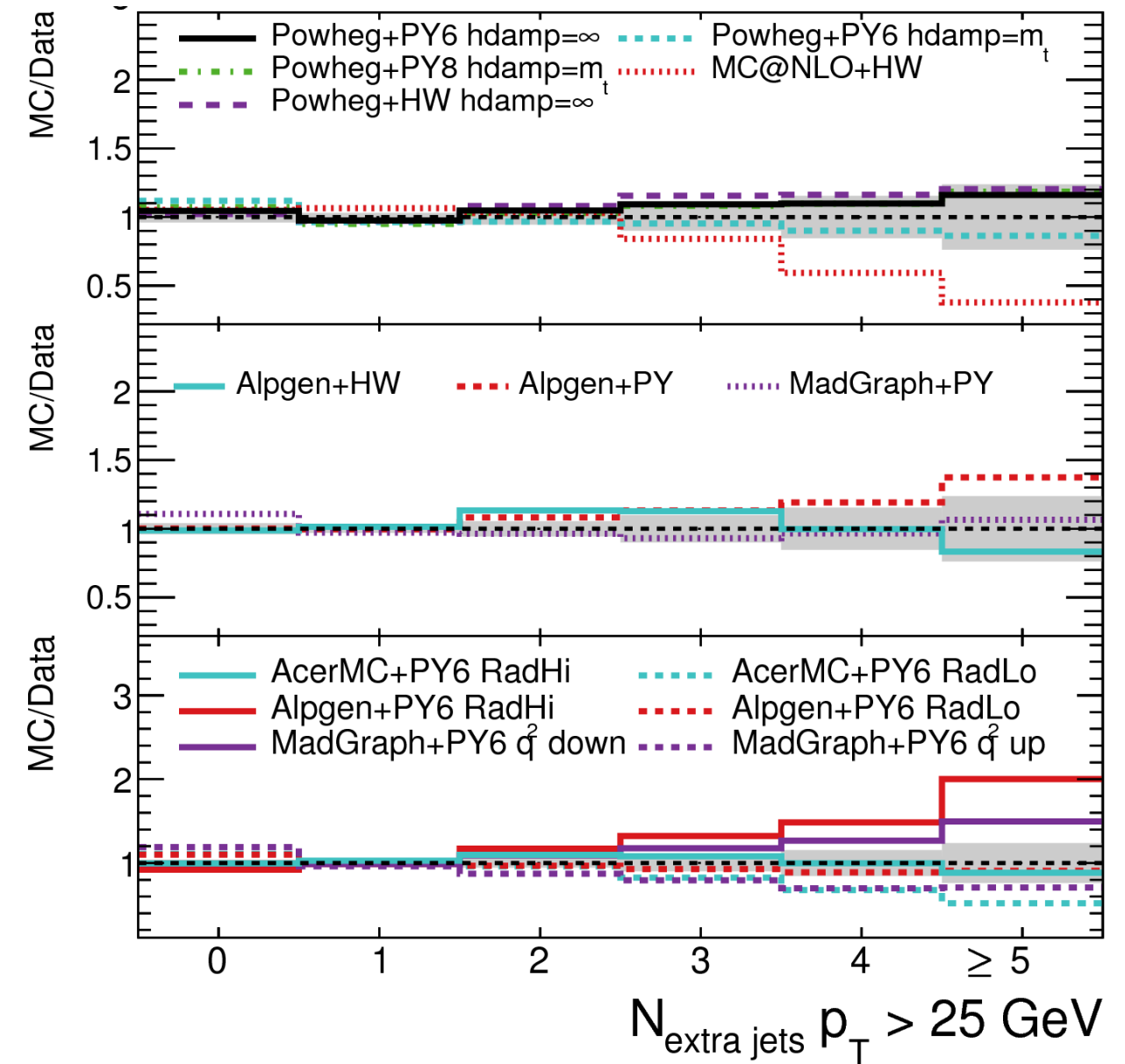
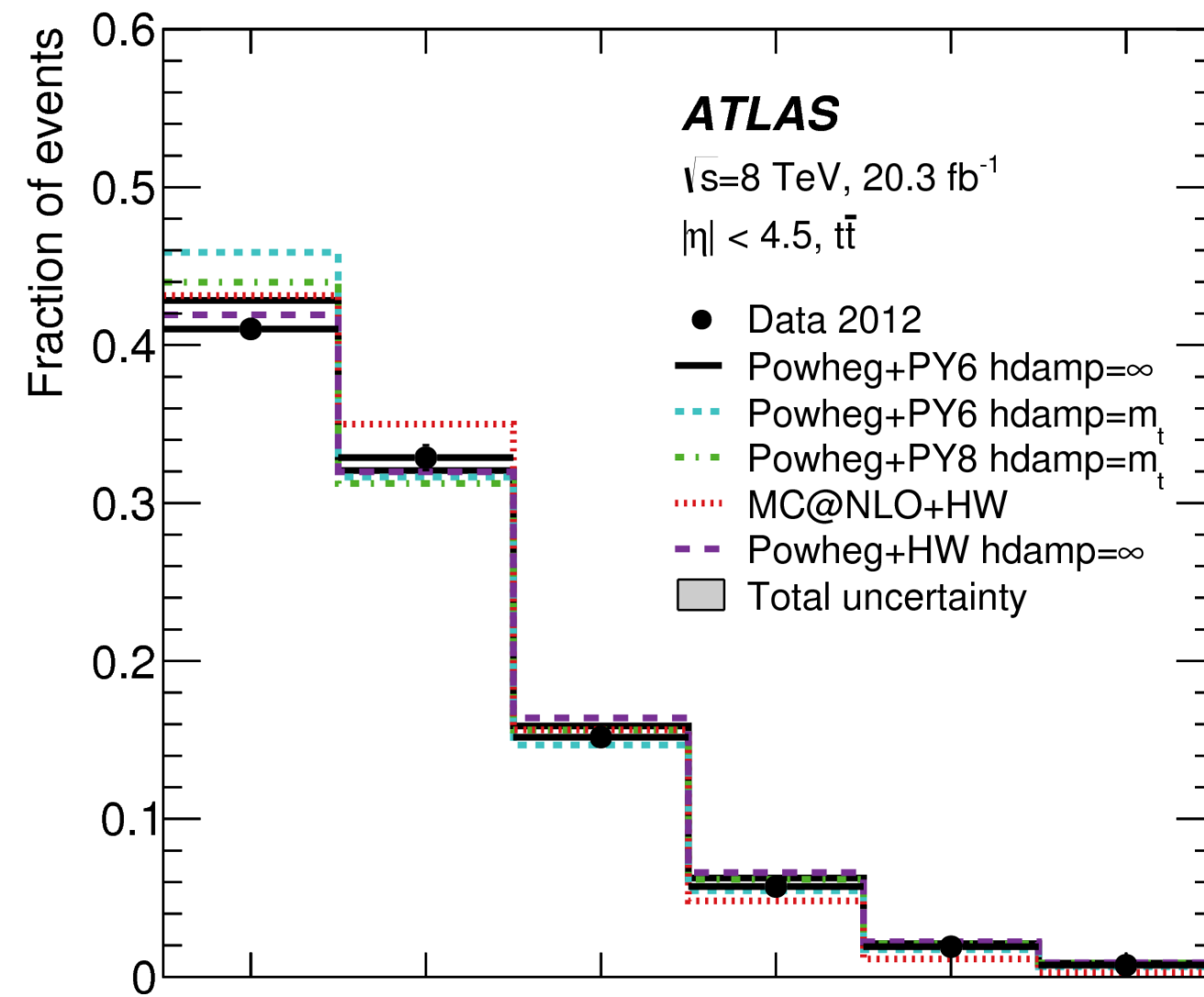
- Probe the effect of gluon radiation on the kinematic variables of $t\bar{t}$ production
- 4-jet excl., 5-jet excl., 6-jet incl. regions
- Discrepancy in the $p_T(t\text{-had})$ is observed

Background	Estimation
Single top $\sim 5\%$	simulation and normalized to predicted cross section
Multijet $\sim 4\%$	data driven
W+jets $\sim 2 - 3\%$	shape in simulation, normalization of heavy flavor fraction from data
Z+jets, $t\bar{t}V$, $VV \sim 1 - 2\%$	in simulation and normalized to predicted cross sections.



- The distributions are unfolded to particle level

$e\mu$ events: jet multiplicities- additional models



$e\mu$ events: χ^2 for additional jet p_T spectra

Generator	χ^2	p -value
POWHEG+PYTHIA6 $h_{\text{damp}} = \infty$	55.3	6.7×10^{-2}
POWHEG+PYTHIA6 $h_{\text{damp}} = m_t$	57.4	4.6×10^{-2}
POWHEG+PYTHIA8 $h_{\text{damp}} = m_t$	78.0	4.4×10^{-4}
MC@NLO+HERWIG	108.2	5.8×10^{-8}
POWHEG+HERWIG $h_{\text{damp}} = \infty$	51.4	1.3×10^{-1}
ALPGEN+HERWIG	64.0	1.2×10^{-2}
ALPGEN+PYTHIA6	55.5	6.4×10^{-2}
MADGRAPH+PYTHIA6	54.7	7.4×10^{-2}
ACERMC+PYTHIA6 RadHi	138.4	1.8×10^{-12}
ACERMC+PYTHIA6 RadLo	148.1	4.9×10^{-14}
ALPGEN+PYTHIA6 RadHi	104.7	1.8×10^{-7}
ALPGEN+PYTHIA6 RadLo	47.9	2.1×10^{-1}
MADGRAPH+PYTHIA6 q^2 down	50.2	1.5×10^{-1}
MADGRAPH+PYTHIA6 q^2 up	78.7	3.6×10^{-4}

pT(t-had)	4-jet exclusive		5-jet exclusive		6-jet inclusive	
	χ^2/NDF	p -value	χ^2/NDF	p -value	χ^2/NDF	p -value
POWHEG+PYTHIA6	28.9/18	0.05	13.0/18	0.79	13.0/18	0.79
POWHEG+PYTHIA6 (radHi)	29.2/18	0.05	14.7/18	0.68	17.2/18	0.51
POWHEG+PYTHIA6 (radLo)	32.5/18	0.02	14.3/18	0.71	13.9/18	0.74
POWHEG+PYTHIA8 ($h_{\text{damp}} = m_t$)	25.2/18	0.12	14.7/18	0.68	15.7/18	0.61
POWHEG+PYTHIA8 ($h_{\text{damp}} = 1.5 m_t$)	22.7/18	0.20	13.3/18	0.77	16.3/18	0.57
POWHEG+PYTHIA8 (radHi) ($h_{\text{damp}} = 3 m_t$)	20.0/18	0.33	14.5/18	0.70	23.9/18	0.16
POWHEG+PYTHIA8 (radLo) ($h_{\text{damp}} = 1.5 m_t$)	24.7/18	0.13	14.7/18	0.68	13.1/18	0.79
POWHEG+HERWIG7	20.8/18	0.29	12.0/18	0.85	12.4/18	0.82
POWHEG+HERWIG++	37.1/18	≤ 0.01	27.7/18	0.07	38.7/18	≤ 0.01
MADGRAPH5_aMC@NLO+HERWIG++	25.7/18	0.11	11.1/18	0.89	20.3/18	0.32
MADGRAPH5_aMC@NLO+PYTHIA8 ($H_T/2$)	22.9/18	0.19	21.2/18	0.27	17.7/18	0.47
MADGRAPH5_aMC@NLO+PYTHIA8 ($\sqrt{m_t^2 + p_T^2}$)	25.4/18	0.11	19.3/18	0.37	23.1/18	0.18
SHERPA 2.2.1	24.7/18	0.14	18.3/18	0.43	18.3/18	0.44

pT(tt)	4-jet exclusive		5-jet exclusive		6-jet inclusive	
	χ^2/NDF	p -value	χ^2/NDF	p -value	χ^2/NDF	p -value
POWHEG+PYTHIA6	7.9/6	0.25	6.0/6	0.43	6.4/6	0.38
POWHEG+PYTHIA6 (radHi)	15.9/6	0.01	5.8/6	0.45	36.2/6	≤ 0.01
POWHEG+PYTHIA6 (radLo)	4.9/6	0.56	5.8/6	0.45	6.5/6	0.37
POWHEG+PYTHIA8 ($h_{\text{damp}} = m_t$)	7.3/6	0.29	5.7/6	0.45	8.0/6	0.24
POWHEG+PYTHIA8 ($h_{\text{damp}} = 1.5 m_t$)	7.6/6	0.27	3.3/6	0.77	12.3/6	0.06
POWHEG+PYTHIA8 (radHi) ($h_{\text{damp}} = 3 m_t$)	13.9/6	0.03	3.2/6	0.78	54.8/6	≤ 0.01
POWHEG+PYTHIA8 (radLo) ($h_{\text{damp}} = 1.5 m_t$)	5.5/6	0.49	5.0/6	0.55	6.6/6	0.36
POWHEG+HERWIG7	10.2/6	0.12	5.1/6	0.53	5.0/6	0.54
POWHEG+HERWIG++	8.2/6	0.23	25.8/6	≤ 0.01	20.8/6	≤ 0.01
MADGRAPH5_aMC@NLO+HERWIG++	98.3/6	≤ 0.01	8.6/6	0.20	12.4/6	0.05
MADGRAPH5_aMC@NLO+PYTHIA8 ($H_T/2$)	41.2/6	≤ 0.01	34.5/6	≤ 0.01	22.8/6	≤ 0.01
MADGRAPH5_aMC@NLO+PYTHIA8 ($\sqrt{m_t^2 + p_T^2}$)	46.7/6	≤ 0.01	31.4/6	≤ 0.01	18.6/6	≤ 0.01
SHERPA 2.2.1	13.3/6	0.04	1.8/6	0.94	21.7/6	≤ 0.01

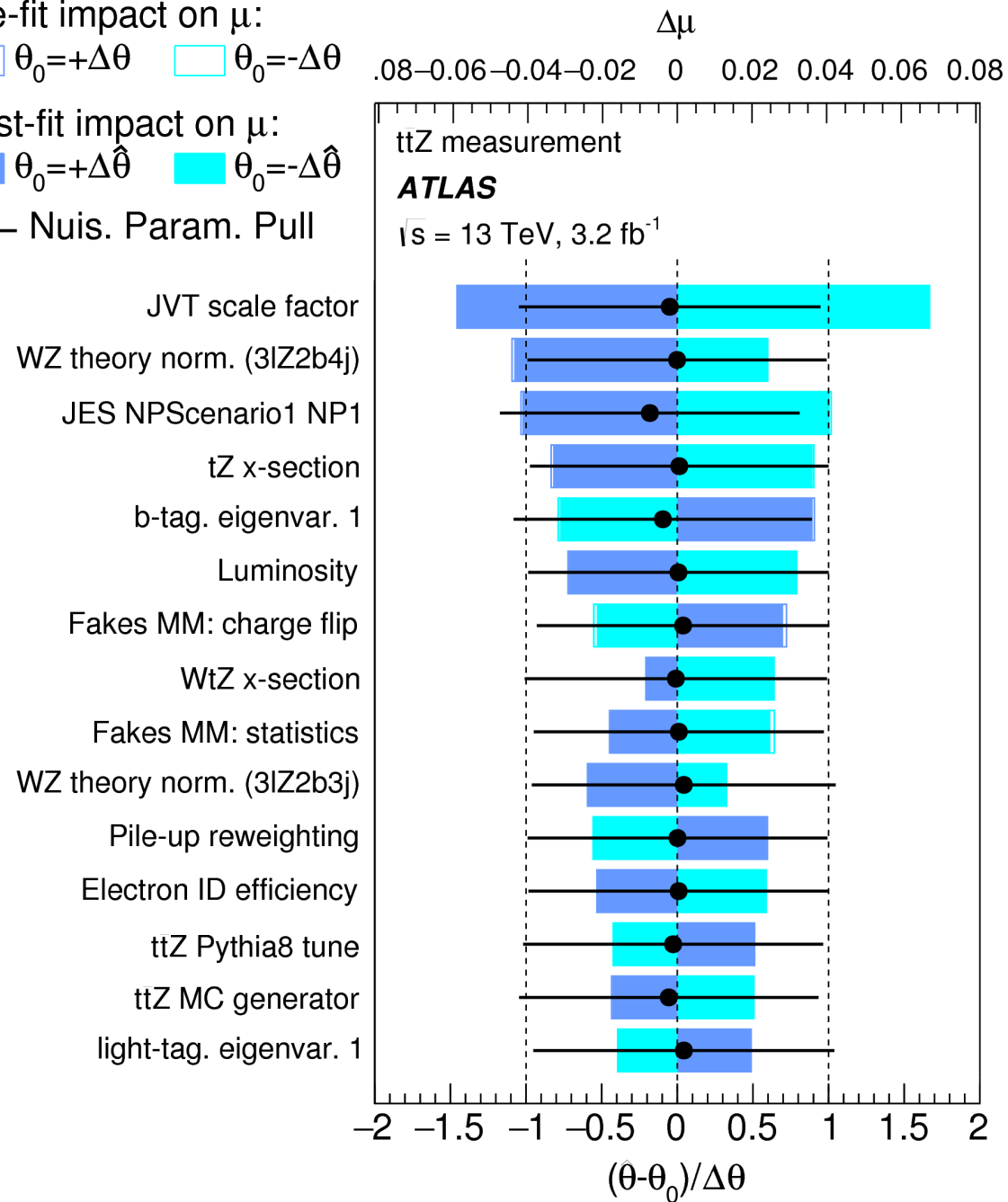
Pre-fit impact on μ :

$\theta_0 = +\Delta\theta$ $\theta_0 = -\Delta\theta$

Post-fit impact on μ :

$\theta_0 = +\Delta\hat{\theta}$ $\theta_0 = -\Delta\hat{\theta}$

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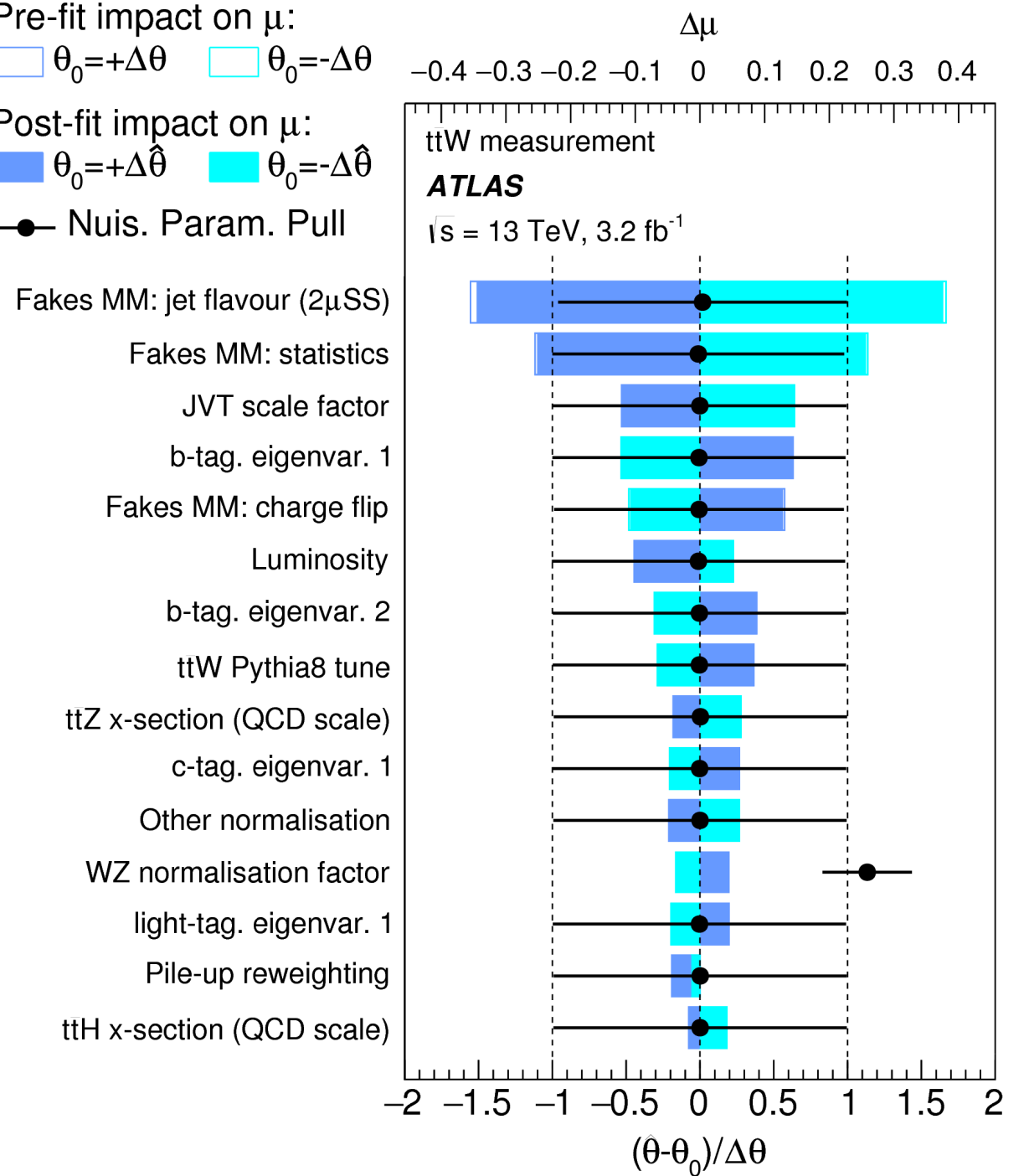
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Dominated by statistical uncertainty

Reconstructed objects is the main source of systematic uncertainties

Simultaneous profile likelihood fit in 9 signal and 2 control regions

WZ and ZZ normalizations are free parameters of the fit

Uncertainty	$\sigma_{t\bar{t}Z}$	$\sigma_{t\bar{t}W}$
Luminosity	2.6%	3.1%
Reconstructed objects	8.3%	9.3%
Backgrounds from simulation	5.3%	3.1%
Fake leptons and charge misID	3.0%	19%
Signal modelling	2.3%	4.2%
Total systematic	11%	22%
Statistical	31%	48%
Total	32%	53%