

$t\bar{t}$ Charge Asymmetry

with Fully Bayesian Unfolding
at $\sqrt{s} = 13$ TeV in ATLAS

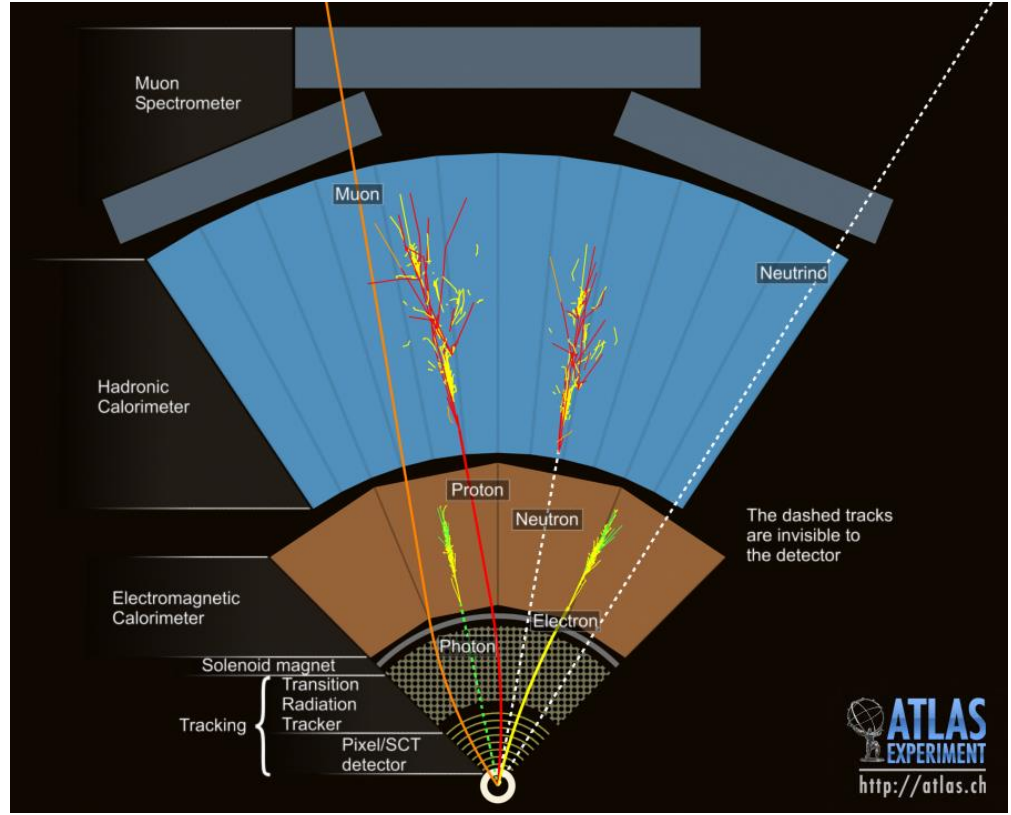
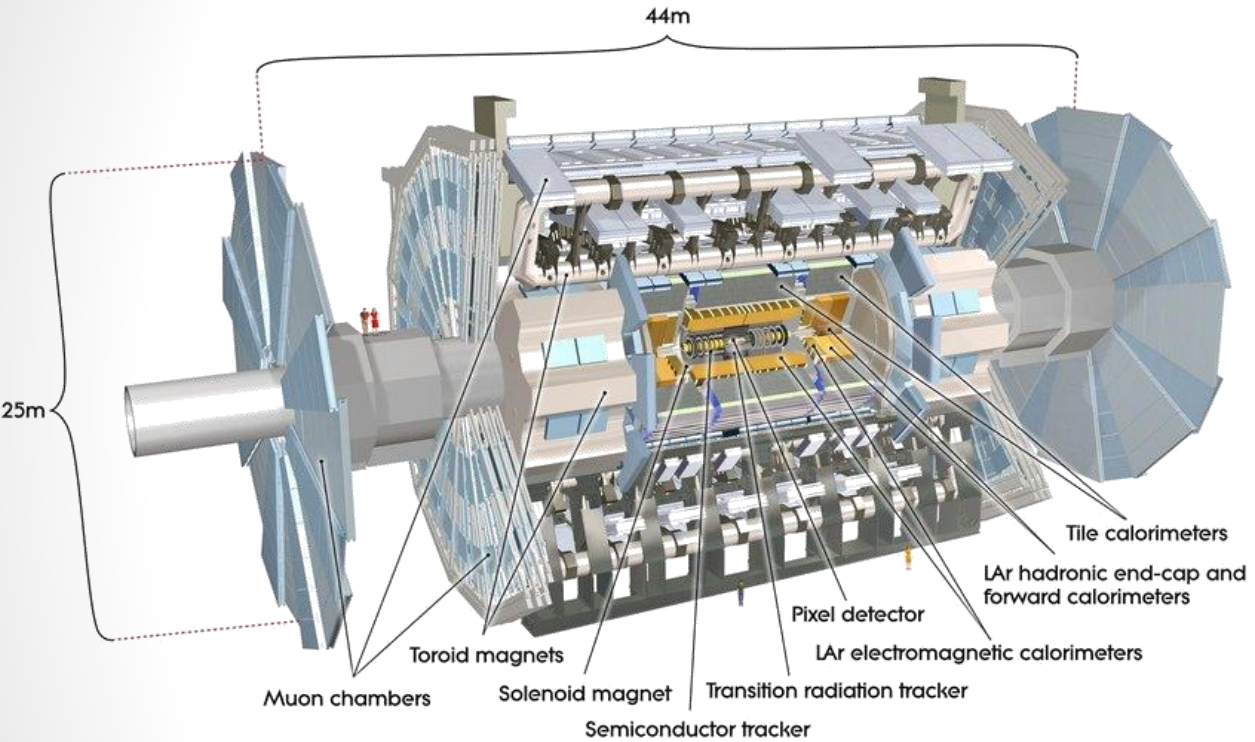
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The ATLAS Detector

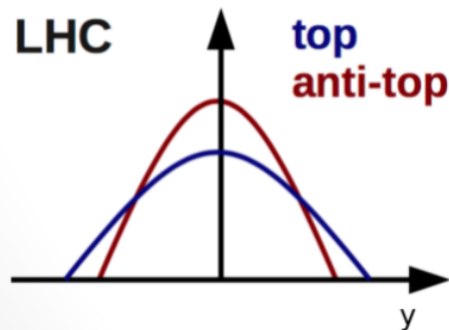
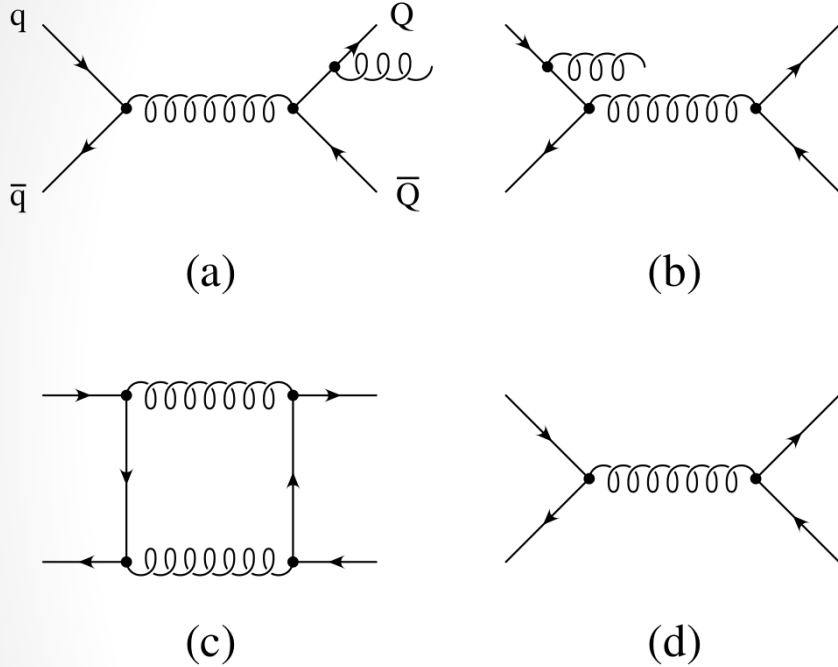


$$y = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{E + p_z}{E - p_z} \right)$$

$$\eta = - \ln \tan \frac{\theta}{2}$$



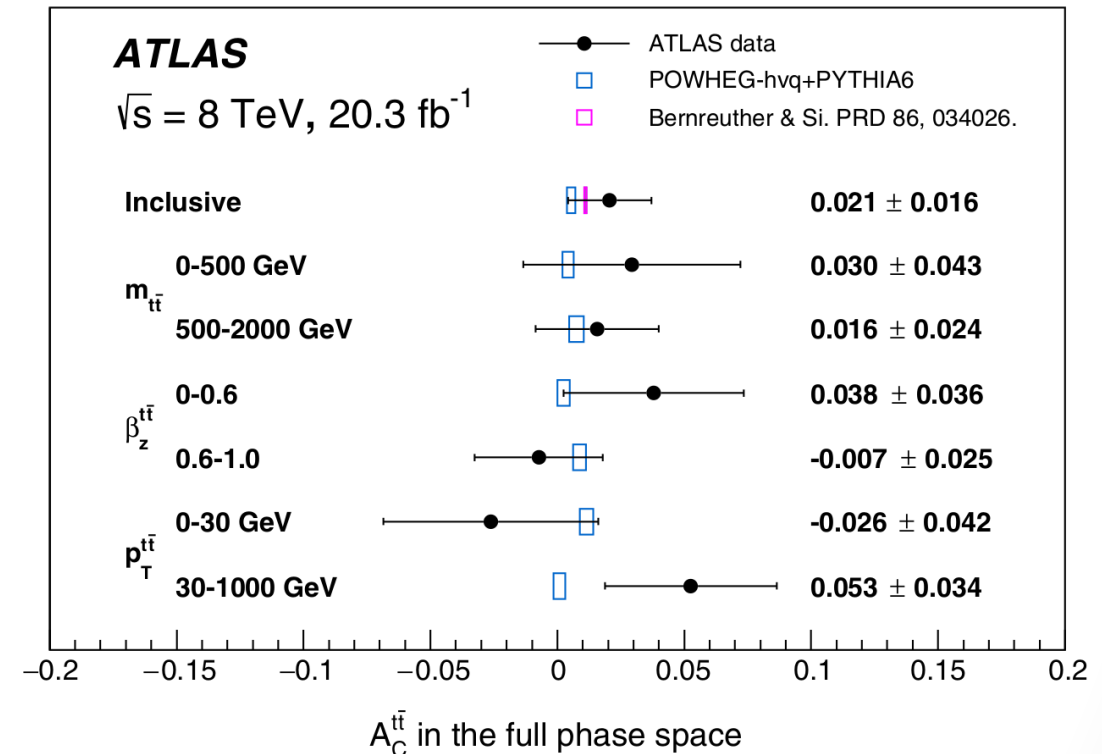
Charge Asymmetry Origin



- At 13 TeV pp collisions in the LHC, 10% of $t\bar{t}$ production by $q\bar{q}$ annihilation.
- Incoming q can be **valence** (higher momentum fraction of proton) and incoming \bar{q} must be from **sea** (lower momentum fraction).
- At NLO (Next-to-Leading Order) in QCD (Quantum Chromodynamics), interference between final/initial state radiation and one-loop/Born diagrams.
- Leads to top preferentially produced in q direction (with **greater rapidity**) and antitop produced in \bar{q} direction (**less rapidity**).

Motivations for Study

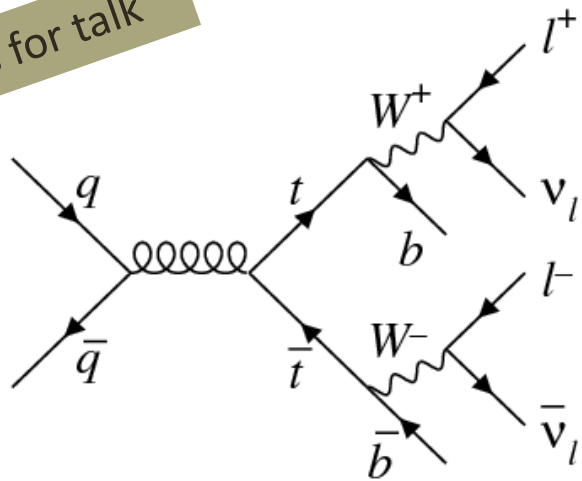
- D0 and CDF experiments at the Tevatron found **small deviations** of charge asymmetry from NLO QCD predictions. [arXiv:1101.0034 \[hep-ex\]](#), [arXiv:1107.4995 \[hep-ex\]](#).
- 7 and 8 TeV LHC results show no such deviations but uncertainties are statistically dominated.
- Asymmetry is sensitive to **BSM (Beyond the Standard Model)** theories such as axigluons, Z' particles and effective field theories.



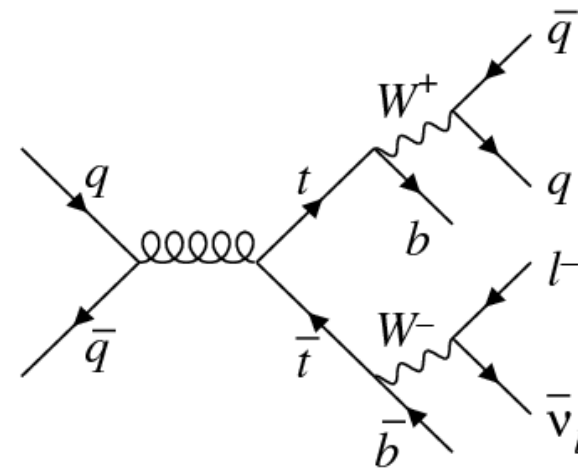
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Two Channels

Focus for talk



Dilepton



Lepton+Jets

Dataset and Event Selection

$$t\bar{t} \rightarrow W^+ b W^- \bar{b} \rightarrow b\bar{b} l^+ \nu l^- \bar{\nu} \quad (\text{Branching ratio: } \approx 11 \%)$$

80 fb⁻¹ 13 TeV ATLAS dataset from 2015-17

Exactly 2 oppositely-charged leptons ($ee/e\mu/\mu\mu$)

One lepton has $p_T > 28$ GeV, other has $p_T > 25$ GeV

At least 2 narrow jets, each with $p_T > 25$ GeV

1 or ≥ 2 jets to be b-tagged

Z veto in $ee/\mu\mu$ channels: $|m_{l\bar{l}} - m_Z| > 10$ GeV

$t\bar{t}$ system reconstructed

- 6 sub-channels: $(ee/e\mu/\mu\mu) \times (1 \text{ b-tag}/\geq 2 \text{ b-tags})$ of different background contamination.
- Backgrounds of single top production, Z+jets, dibosons, fake leptons, W bosons decaying to taus, and rare processes.

Charge Asymmetry Observables

- Measuring charge asymmetry between top and antitop:

$$A_C^{t\bar{t}} = \frac{N(\Delta|y| > 0) - N(\Delta|y| < 0)}{N(\Delta|y| > 0) + N(\Delta|y| < 0)} \quad \Delta|y| = |y_t| - |y_{\bar{t}}|$$

Expected to be **small and positive** (0.01 - 1%).

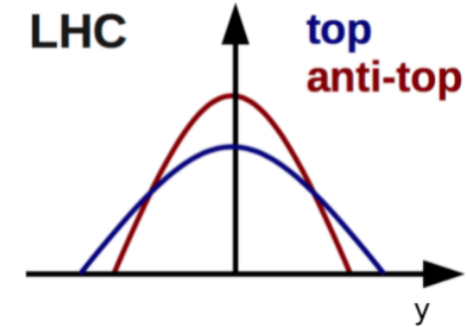
- And also between the two leptons:

$$A_C^{l\bar{l}} = \frac{N(\Delta|\eta| > 0) - N(\Delta|\eta| < 0)}{N(\Delta|\eta| > 0) + N(\Delta|\eta| < 0)} \quad \Delta|\eta| = |\eta_l| - |\eta_{\bar{l}}|$$

No $t\bar{t}$ reconstruction so **smaller systematics**.

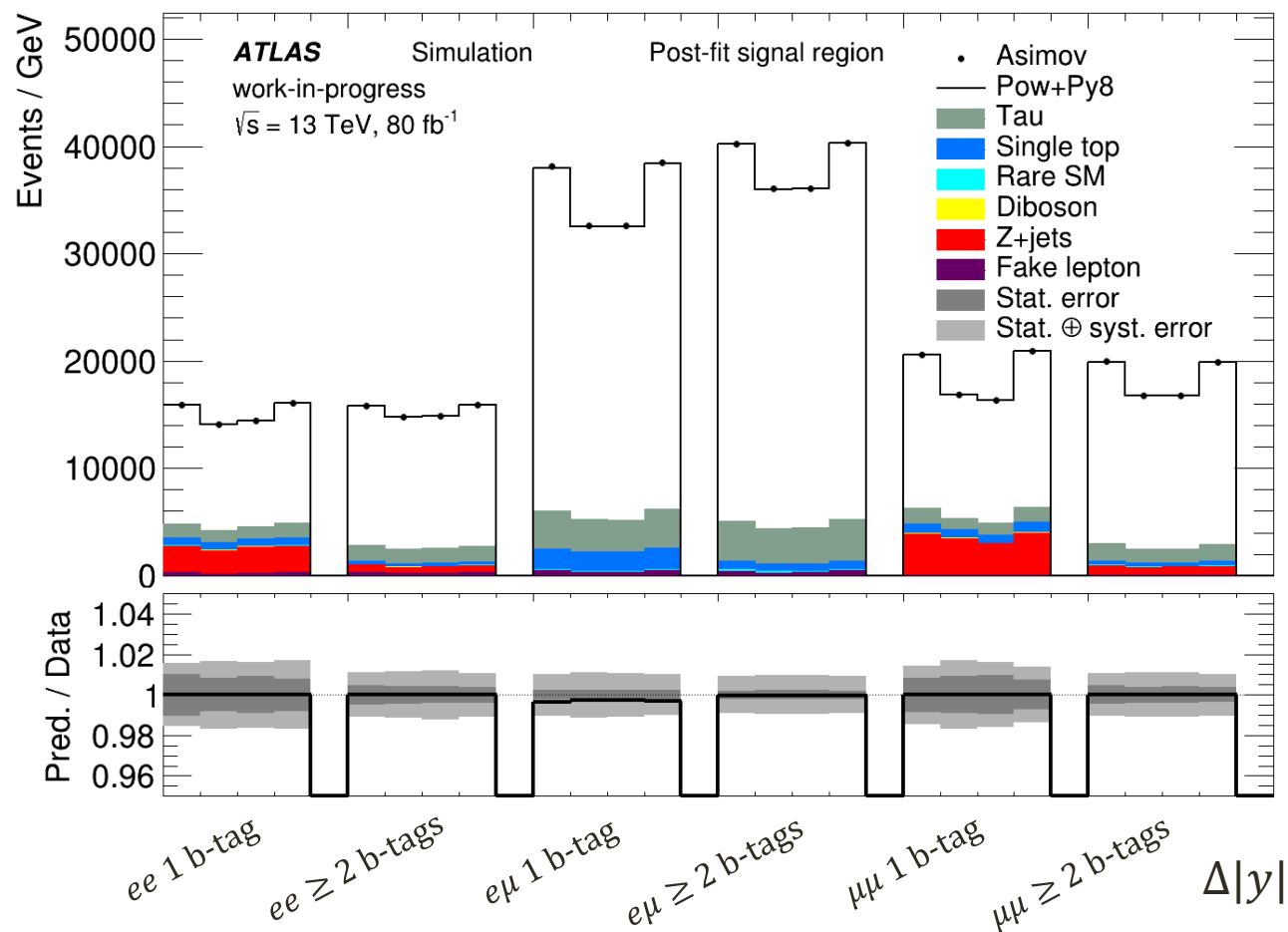
Asymmetry expected to be **even smaller** than for $t\bar{t}$.

- Calculating asymmetries **inclusively** and in **differential** bins of $t\bar{t}$ mass, p_T and velocity. Work in 4 $\Delta|y|$ or $\Delta|\eta|$ bins in each case. Focussing on **$t\bar{t}$ asymmetry** in this talk.



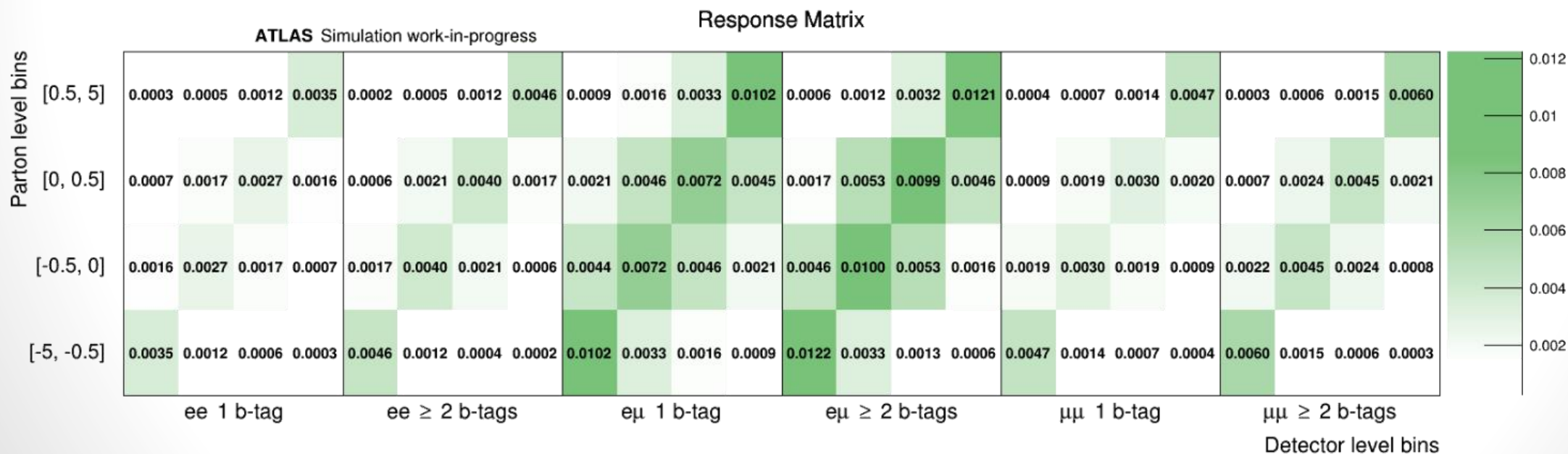
Our 6 Sub-Channels

- Clean signal in dilepton channel.
- Asymmetry calculated by subtracting left two bins from right two bins in each channel.
- Just showing **Asimov** – total MC prediction treated like data.

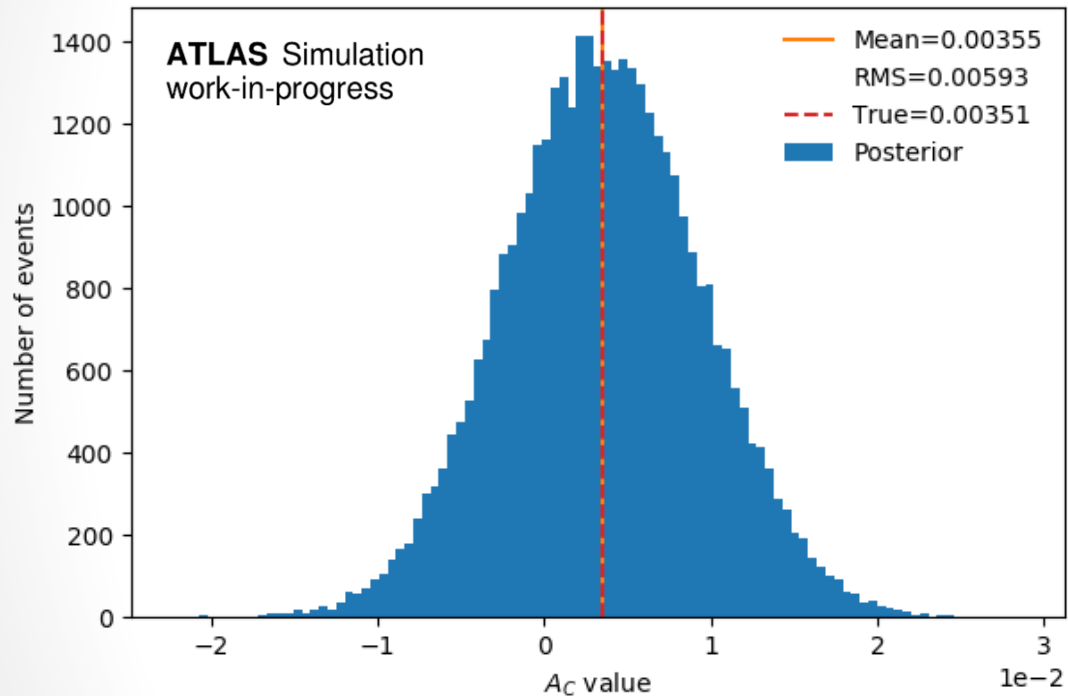


Fully Bayesian Unfolding (FBU)

- Data is subject to **smearing/resolution effects** and doesn't cover the **full phase space** of $\bar{t}t$ production. FBU uses response matrices to map detector level events back to parton level events.
- Can then compare with other experimental results.
- Method allows our 6 sub-channels to be **combined** and for systematic uncertainties (including detector, modelling and background normalisation) to be **constrained**. This arises from sampling gaussian distributions describing each systematic.



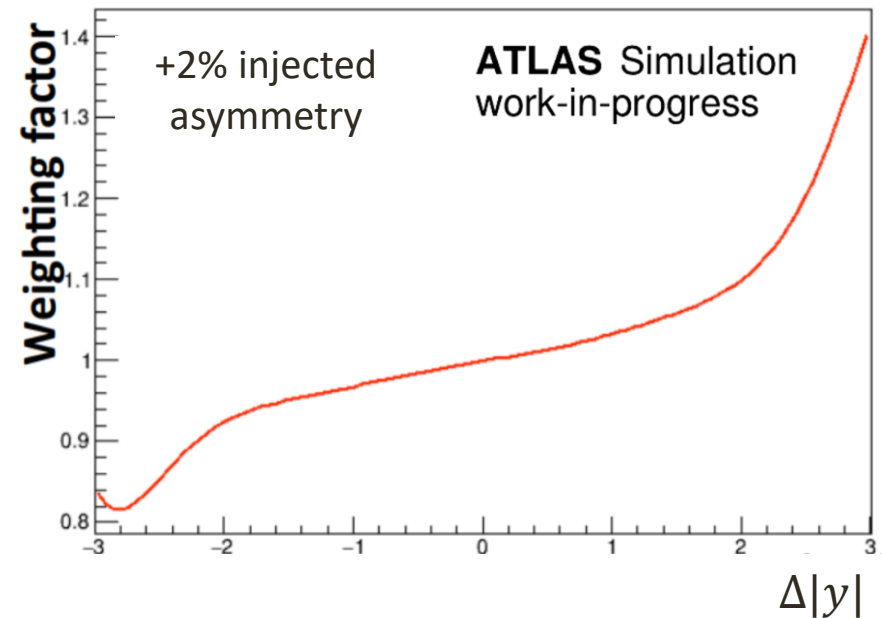
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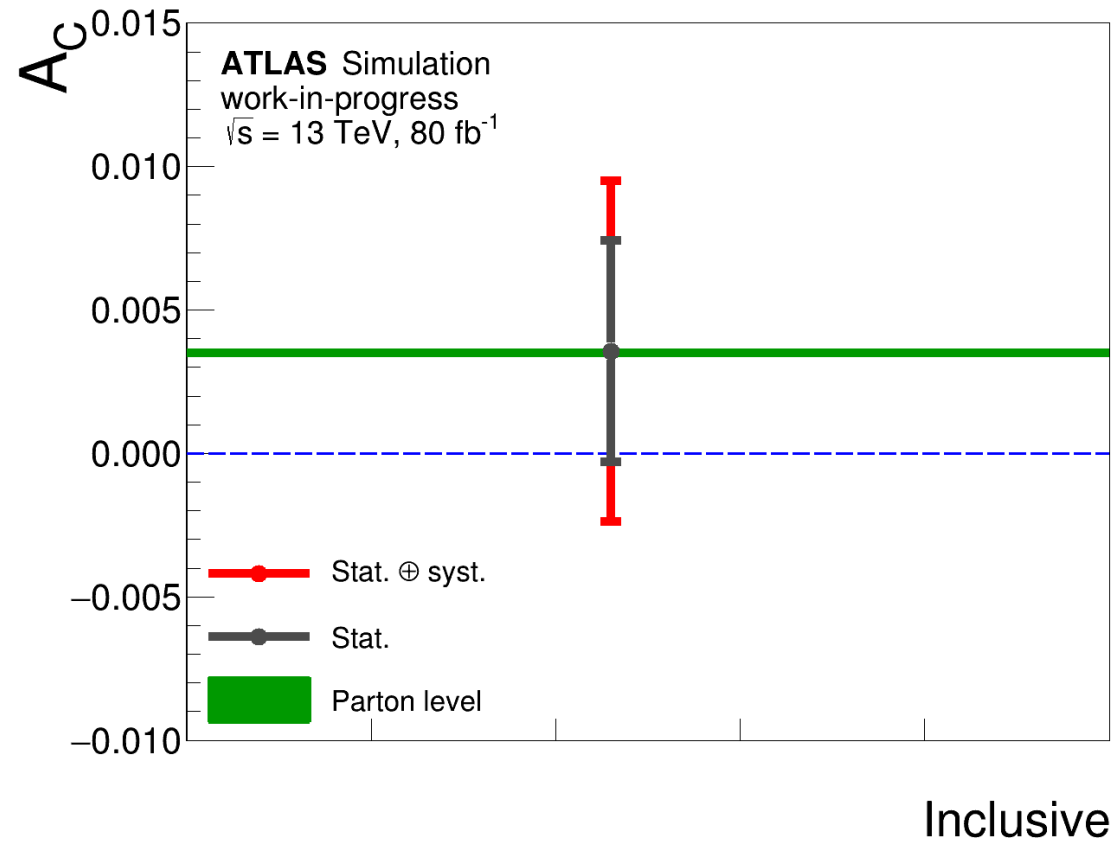
- Samples different **parton level** values for each $\Delta|y|$ bin, folds to **detector level** with response matrix and then calculates the likelihood of this with respect to expected detector level MC or data.
- Likelihood value multiplied by **prior** in parton level events to get a posterior value.
- The posterior values together make up a **posterior distribution**.

Binning Choice to Eliminate Bias

- A BSM axigluon model is used to **reweight** the $\Delta|y|$ MC events at parton and detector level.
- Weights are introduced to scale the simulated asymmetry by $\pm 1, 2, 3$ and 4 % away from the Standard Model expectation.
- Select bin edges x in the 4 $\Delta|y|$ bins $[-5, -x, 0, x, 5]$ that give best **unfolded vs parton** level agreement.



Expected Sensitivities



80 fb^{-1} 13 TeV ATLAS: 0.0035 ± 0.0065

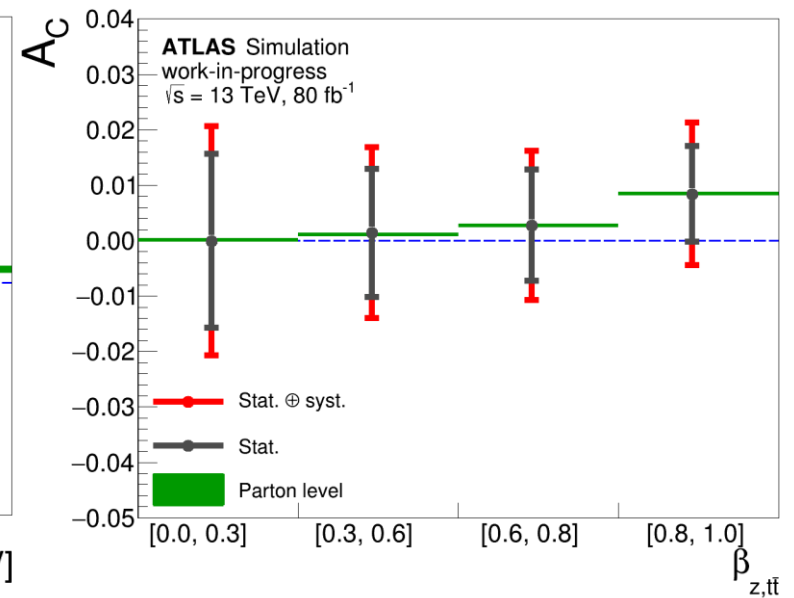
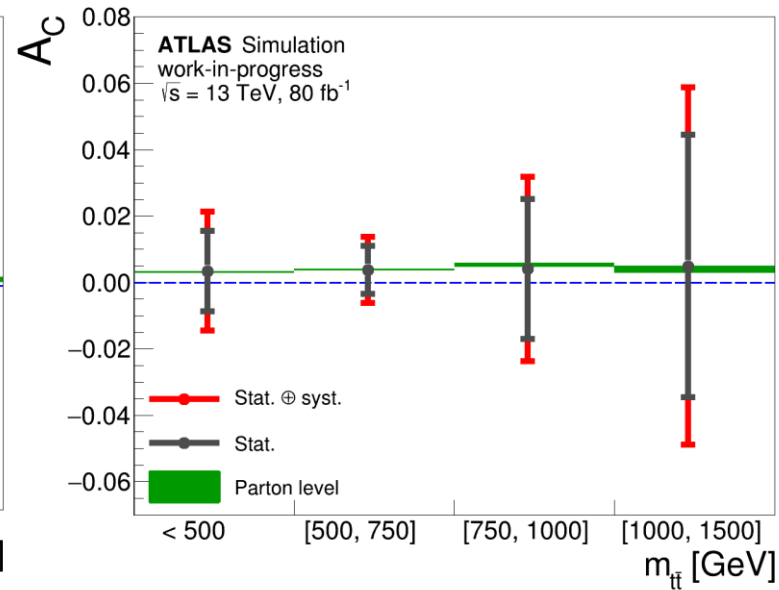
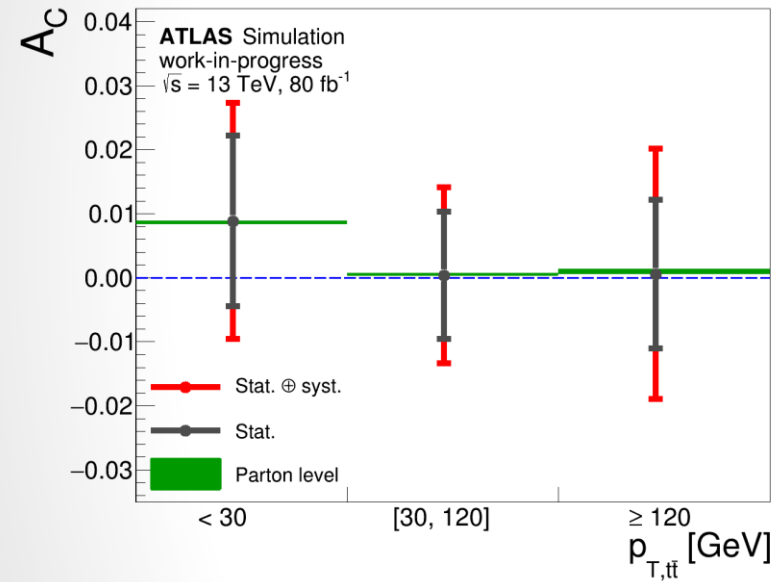
20 fb^{-1} 8 TeV ATLAS: 0.021 ± 0.016 (from 2016 paper [Phys. Rev. D 94, 032006](#))

Expected Sensitivities

Binned by $t\bar{t} p_T$

Binned by $t\bar{t} m$

Binned by $t\bar{t}$ velocity, β_z



Conclusions

- FBU being used to determine **parton level $t\bar{t}$ charge asymmetry** in two channels (as well as dilepton asymmetry in dilepton channel).
- Binning optimisation to help reduce bias.
- Showing expected sensitivities for **80 fb^{-1}** . Uncertainties reduced with respect to 8 TeV analysis. More differential bins also used.
- Aim to combine dilepton and lepton+jets results in **full 140 fb^{-1}** dataset.

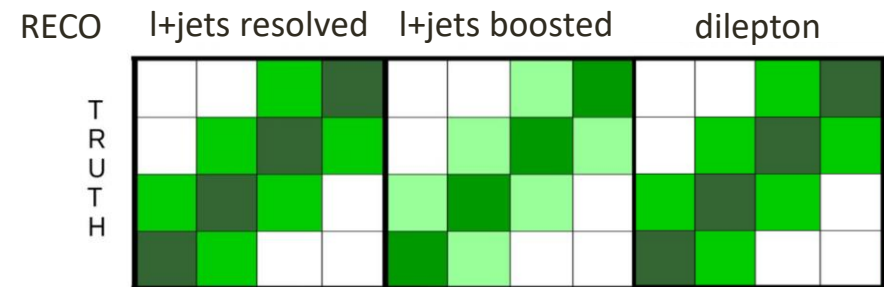
BACKUP: Fully Bayesian Unfolding (FBU)

- Calculate likelihood of **data D given parton level (truth T)** using expected detector level (reco R) and background B with Poisson statistics. \mathcal{M} = response matrix from truth to reco.
- Flat prior $\pi_F(T)$ chosen and combined with likelihood to obtain a posterior probability of **truth given data**.
- Systematics θ (nuisance parameters) included by extending likelihood with Gaussian priors $\pi_G(\theta)$.
- Allows **combined** unfolding of dilepton and lepton+jets channels as well as marginalising the systematics to reduce their values.

$$\mathcal{L}(D|T, \mathcal{M}, B) = \prod_{i=1}^{N_r} \frac{(r_i + b_i)^{d_i}}{d_i!} e^{-(r_i + b_i)}$$

$$P(T|D, \mathcal{M}) \propto \mathcal{L}(D|T, \mathcal{M})\pi_F(T)$$

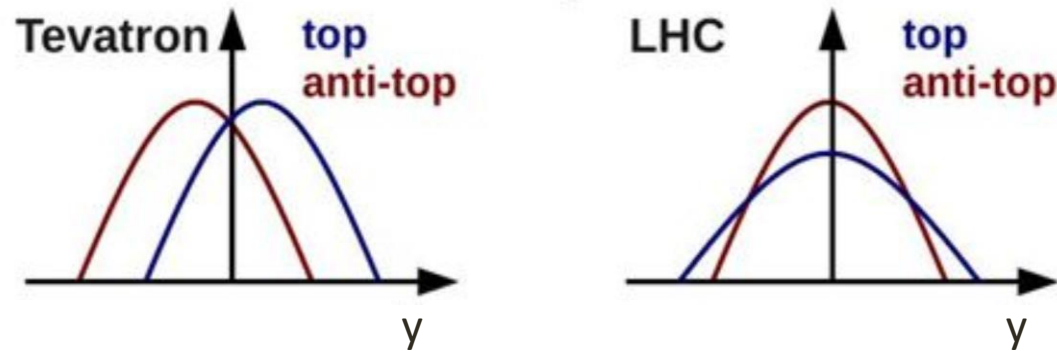
$$\mathcal{L}(D|T) = \int \mathcal{L}(D|T, \theta)\pi_G(\theta)d\theta$$



BACKUP: Charge Asymmetry at the Tevatron

$$A_{FB}^{t\bar{t}} = \frac{N(\Delta y > 0) - N(\Delta y < 0)}{N(\Delta y > 0) + N(\Delta y < 0)}$$

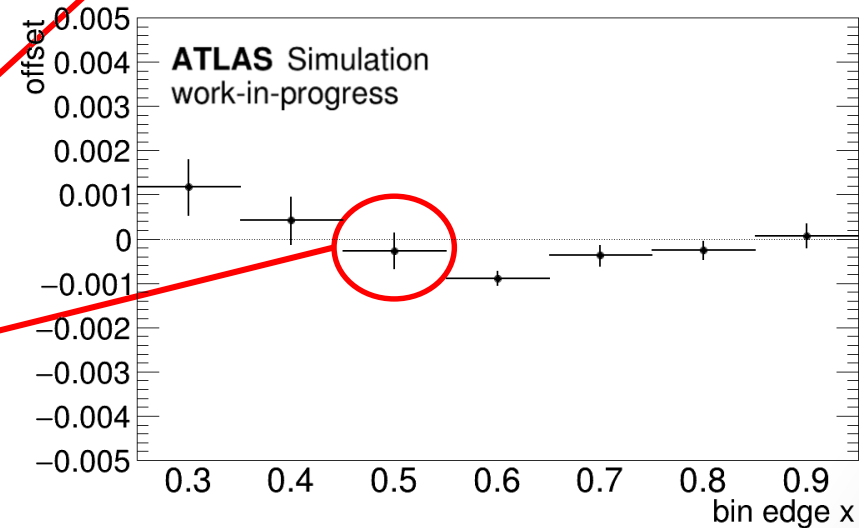
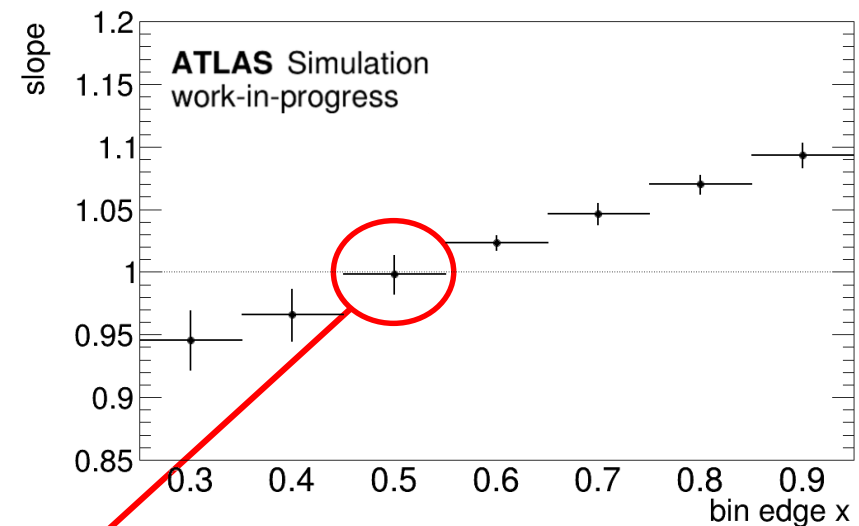
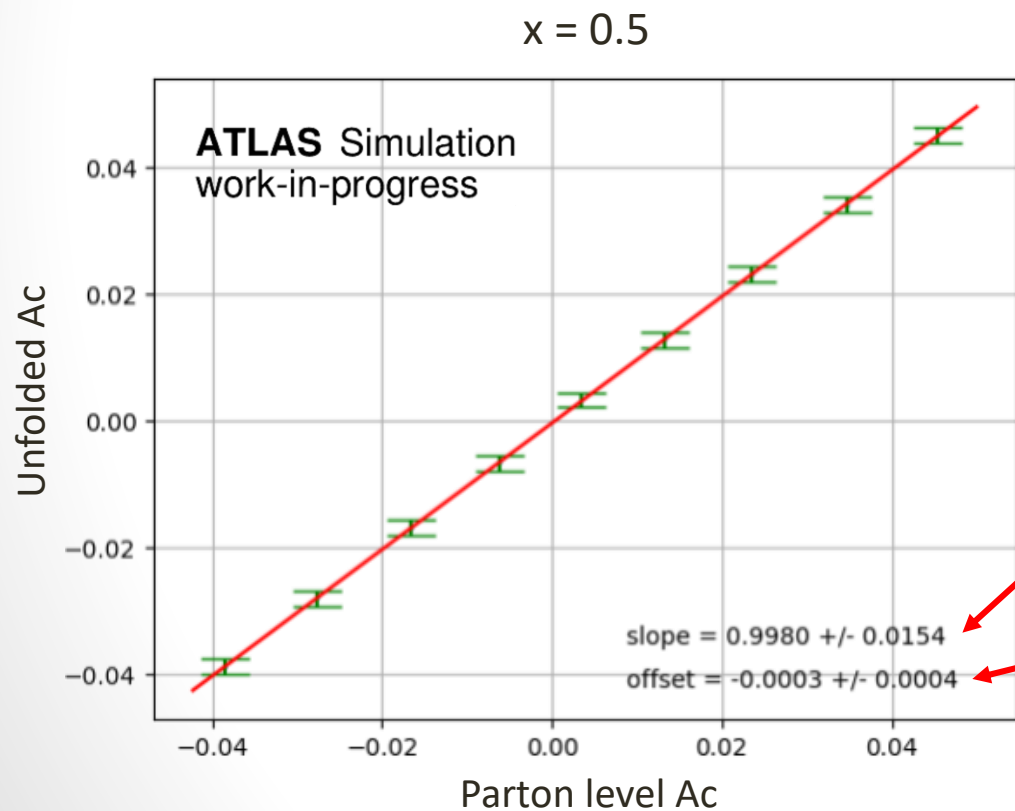
This is a **forward-backward asymmetry** that considers the means of the rapidity distributions rather than the widths as at the LHC.



Tevatron	inclusive	$m_{t\bar{t}} < 450 \text{ GeV}$	$m_{t\bar{t}} > 450 \text{ GeV}$	$ \Delta y < 1$	$ \Delta y > 1$
SM $t\bar{t}$ rest-frame $A_{t\bar{t}}$	0.087 (10)	0.062 (4)	0.128 (11)	0.057 (4)	0.193 (15)
D0 ⁹	0.196 (65)	0.078 (48)*	0.115 (60)*	0.061 (41)*	0.213 (97)*
CDF ¹²	0.162 (47)	0.078 (54)	0.296 (67)	0.088 (47)	0.433 (109)

BACKUP: Binning Choice to Eliminate Bias

For different injected asymmetries, choose the bin x that gives a slope closest to 1 and offset 0.



BACKUP: Expected Sensitivities (Lepton+Jets Channel)

