



# Probing the structure of weak interactions



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Experimental project **WISArD**  
(**W**Weak-**I**nteraction **S**tudies with  $^{32}\text{Ar}$  **D**ecay)  
online at ISOLDE/CERN



Study structure of weak interactions : search for ‘forbidden’  
Scalar & Tensor components by precise measurements of  
sensitive correlations in low-energy beta-decays

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# Motivation, sensitive variables

Standard model of electro-weak interactions: **V-A character of interaction**

$C_V=1$ ,  $C_A=-1.27$ ,  $C_V'=C_V$  &  $C_A'=C_A$ ,  $C_S=C_S'=C_T=C_T'=C_P=C_P'=0$       **No Scalar or Tensor**

But experimental limits for  $|C_T'/C_A|$  and  $|C_S'/C_V|$  only at the % level (After 60 years of efforts !!!)

**$\beta$ -v correlations** in  $\beta$ -decay - **a** parameter (sensitive to both **Scalar**, **Tensor** interaction)

can simultaneously study both “forbidden interactions” – Scalar in Fermi decays, Tensor in Gamow-Teller decays

study **recoil nuclei** instead of **neutrinos** - measurement of the shape of p-spectrum from  **$\beta$ -delayed proton decay** (WISArD)

**High-energy and low-energy experiments are complementary :**

experimental upper limits for  $|C_S'/C_V|$  &  $|C_T'/C_A|$  are currently at the % level ( $n$  & nuclear  $\beta$ -decay)

- extending the limit to **% level** allows to increase lower limits on possible new bosons whose exchange could create possible Scalar or Tensor-type interactions (mass  $\sim 2.5$  TeV)

$$C_i \propto \frac{M_W^2}{M_{new}^2}$$

**Decay rate for non polarized nuclei**

$$dW = dW_0 \left( 1 + a \frac{\mathbf{p}_e \cdot \mathbf{p}_\nu}{E_e E_\nu} + b \frac{m_e}{E_e} \right)$$

$$a_F \equiv 1 - \frac{|C_S|^2 + |C_S'|^2}{|C_V|^2} \quad =1 \text{ SM}$$

$$b_F \equiv \text{Re} \frac{C_S + C_S'}{C_V}$$

Best measurements:

$$a_F \sim 0.45\%$$

$$a_{GT} \sim 1\%$$

$$a_{GT} \equiv -\frac{1}{3} \left[ 1 - \frac{|C_T|^2 + |C_T'|^2}{|C_A|^2} \right] = -1/3 \text{ SM}$$

$$b_{GT} \equiv \text{Re} \frac{C_T + C_T'}{C_A} = 0 \text{ SM}$$

$\beta$ -v correlation coefficient

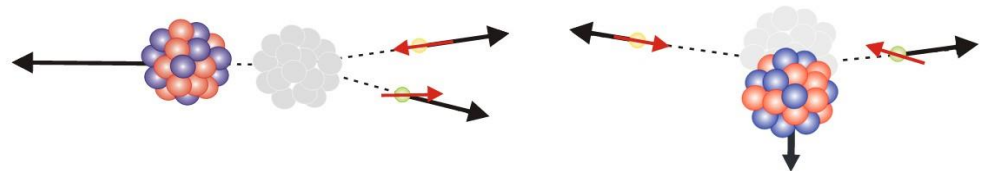
Fierz interference term

WISArD: measuring  $\tilde{a}$ , sensitive to both **a** & **b**

$$\tilde{a} \approx \frac{a}{1 + b \langle m_e / E_e \rangle}$$

**Vector interaction (SM)**  
High energy of recoil nucleus,  
moving opposite to emitted particles

**Scalar interaction (beyond SM)**  
Very small energy of recoil nucleus



measuring **recoil nucleus energy**  $\Rightarrow$  ratio Scalar/Vector

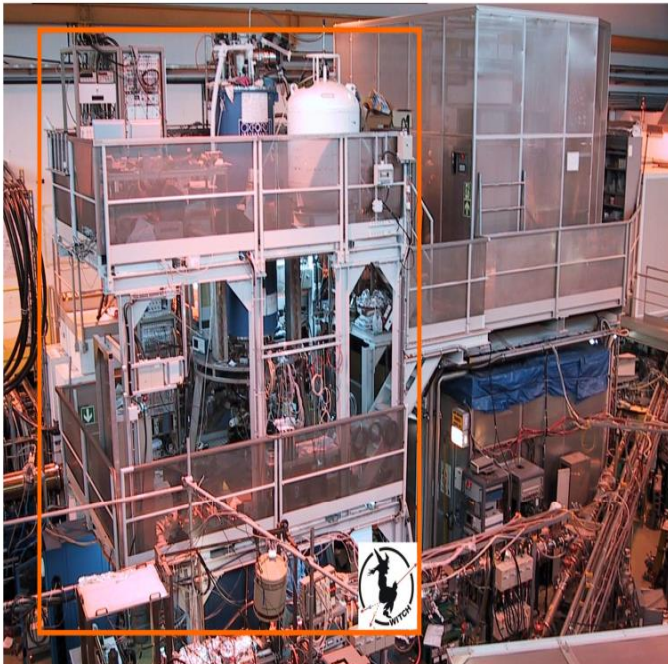
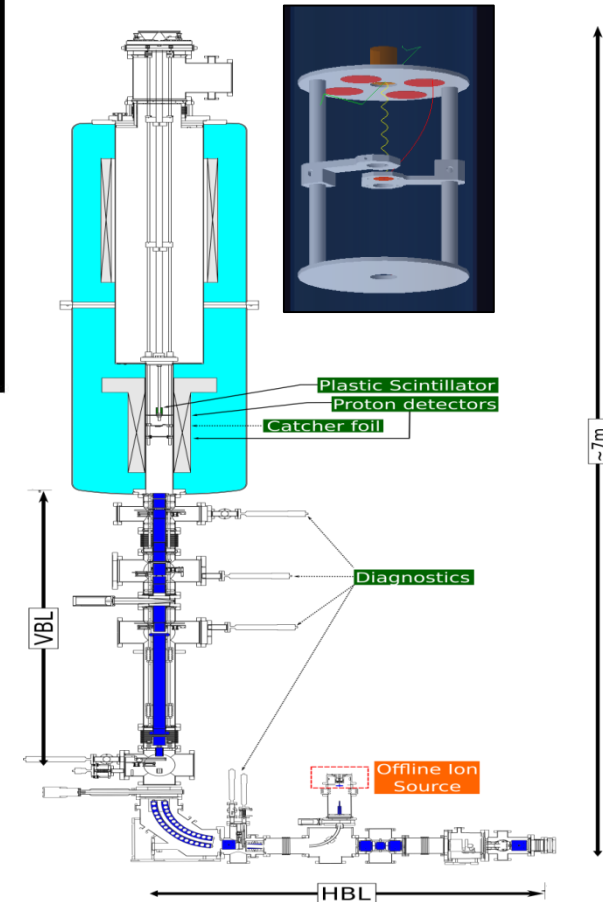
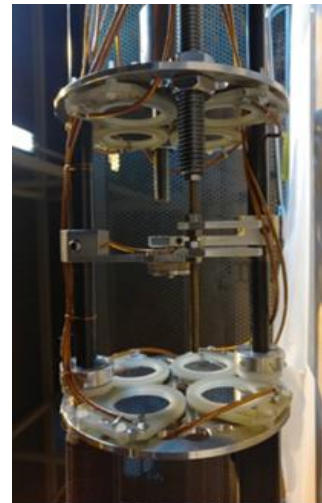
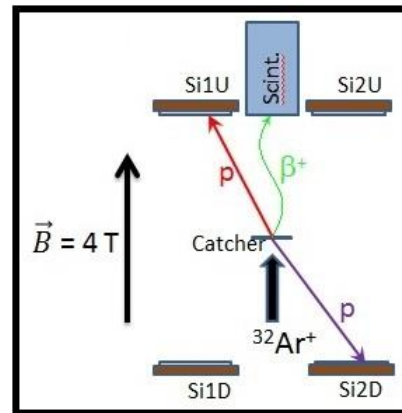
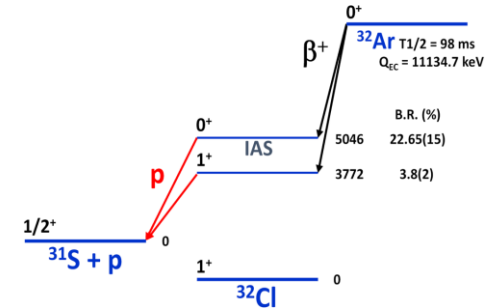
F decay  $\tilde{a}_F$  limits Scalar, GT  $\tilde{a}_{GT}$  limits Tensor

# WISArD (Weak-Interaction Studies with $^{32}\text{Ar}$ Decay) experiment

WISArD – measuring  $\beta$ -delayed proton decay of  $^{32}\text{Ar}$

in  $\beta$ -p coincidence measurement we measure the proton energy shift for same & opposite  $\beta$  emission directions which is a linear function of  $\tilde{a}$

- Super-allowed Fermi  $\beta$ -decay  $^{32}\text{Ar} \rightarrow ^{32}\text{Cl}$  to Isobaric Analog State is promptly followed ( $\Gamma \sim 20\text{eV} \Leftrightarrow T_{1/2} \sim 10^{-17}\text{s}$ ) by the proton decay  $^{32}\text{Cl} \rightarrow ^{31}\text{Si}$
- Protons are emitted from the moving nucleus  $^{32}\text{Cl}$  recoiling after previous  $\beta$ -decay  $\Rightarrow$  proton energy is Doppler shifted: high recoil energy, Vector interaction,  $a = 1$  ; low recoil energy, Scalar,  $a = -1$
- $^{32}\text{Ar}$  ions implanted into the catcher mylar foil
- Positrons from the  $\beta$ -decay detected by the narrow forward detector placed on axis
- Protons from the subsequent p-decay of  $^{32}\text{Cl}$  detected by arrays of Si detectors in forward (UP) and backward (DOWN) direction off axis
- Whole setup in the magnetic field 4T (up to 9T))  $\rightarrow$  spiraling positrons cannot reach the proton detectors placed off axis  $\Rightarrow$  **no summing p+e, no distortions of p-peaks**



# Results, outlook

## WISArD online proof-of-principle experiment

Nov 2018, latest run before the CERN shutdown

- readily available beta and proton detectors
- ~ 1700 pps of  $^{32}\text{Ar}$  instead of 3000 nominal
- ~ 35h of beamtime

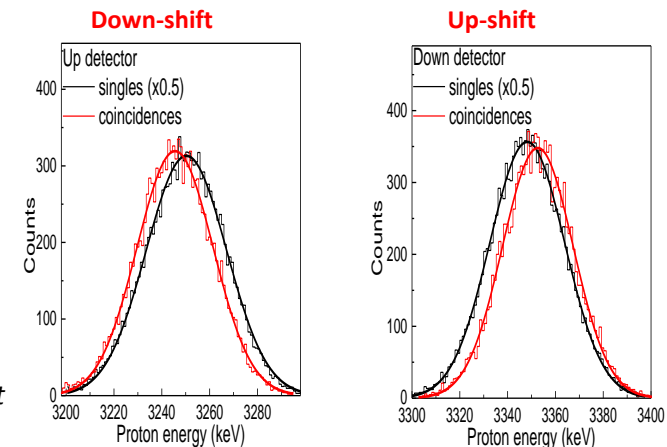
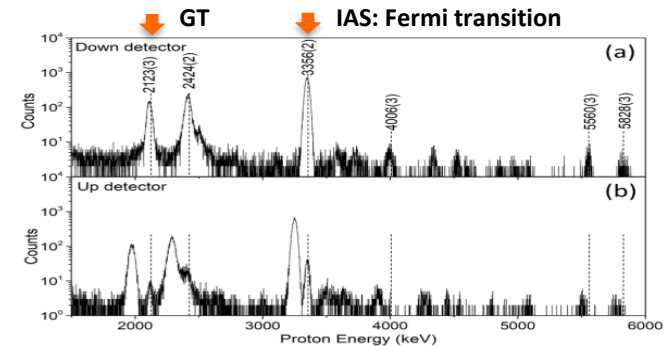
## Current precision, outlook:

Systmatic error budget (in ‰) :

Source		Uncertainty	$\Delta\tilde{a}_{\beta\nu}(10^{-3})$
background	false coinc.	8%	< 1
proton	detector calibration	0.2%	2
	detector position	1 mm	< 1
	source position	3 mm	3
	source radius	3 mm	1
	B field homogeneity	1%	< 1
	silicon dead layer	0.3 $\mu\text{m}$	5
	mylar thickness	0.15 $\mu\text{m}$	3
positron	detector backscattering	15%	2
	catcher backscattering	15%	21
	threshold	12 keV	8
total			24

-unknown detectors DL  
 -source profile poorly known  
 → upgrade of p-detectors  
 can be easily reduced by factor  
 $x \sim 10$

→ Must be reduced by factor >20  
 thinner catcher →  $x \sim 10$  improvement  
 dedicated BS measurements →  $x \sim 3$ -5  
 improvement



Typical resolution ~35 keV FWHM

$$\Delta E_F = 4.49(3)\text{keV}, \Delta E_{GT} = 3.05(9)\text{keV}$$

$$\tilde{a}_F = 1.01(3)_{\text{stat}}(2)_{\text{syst}}$$

$$\tilde{a}_{GT} = -0.22(9)_{\text{stat}}(2)_{\text{syst}}$$

Statistical error reduction below 1 ‰

- production + transmission + time (ISOLDE, beamlines upgrade, 2weeks beamtime)  
 →  $x \sim 50$  in decay statistics
- dedicated detection setup (higher p-resolution, higher solid angle, lower beta threshold)  
 →  $x \sim 5$  in sensitivity

⇒ achievable ~0.9 ‰ (F), ~1.4 ‰ (GT)

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# Latest single top differential cross section measurements at CMS

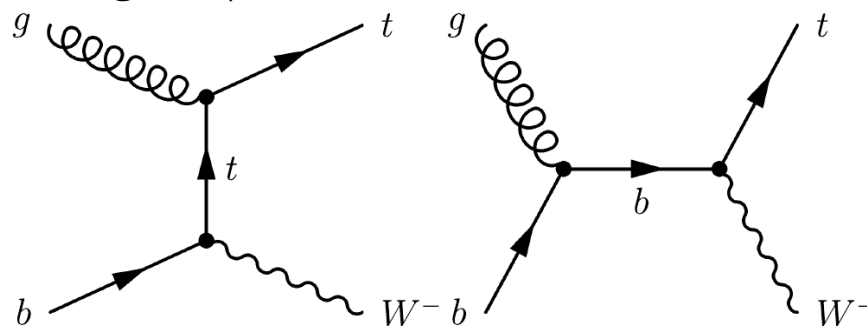
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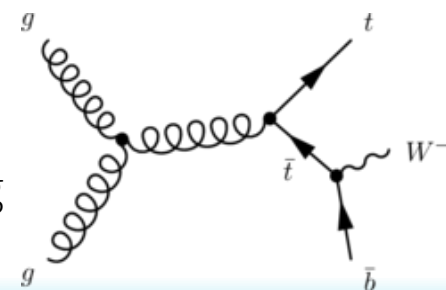


# Introduction

- The CMS' latest measurement of single top differential cross sections has been done on the  $tW$  process with 2016 data using dilepton final states ( [CMS-PAS-TOP-19-003](#) ).



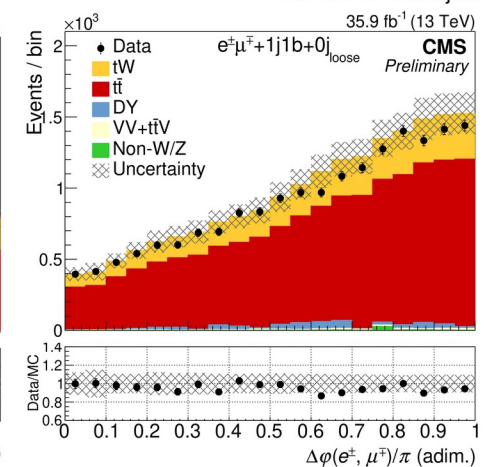
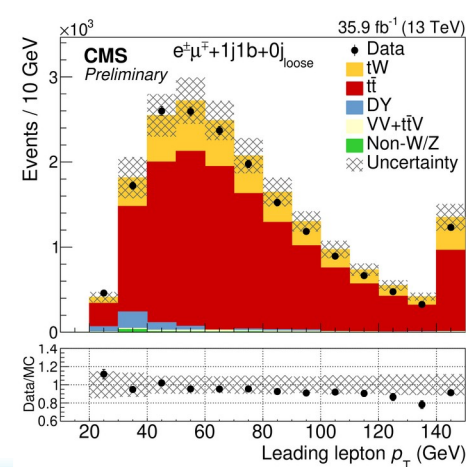
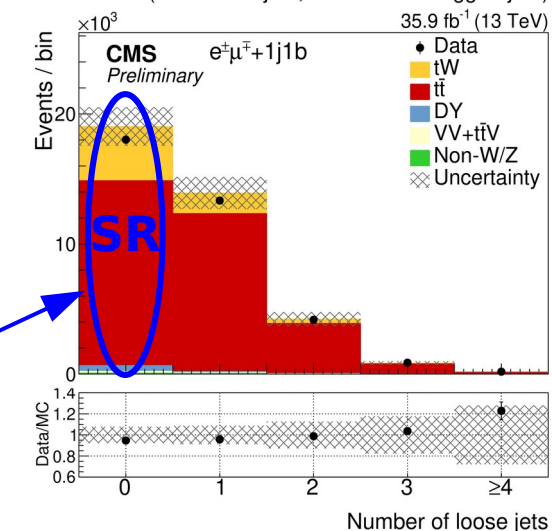
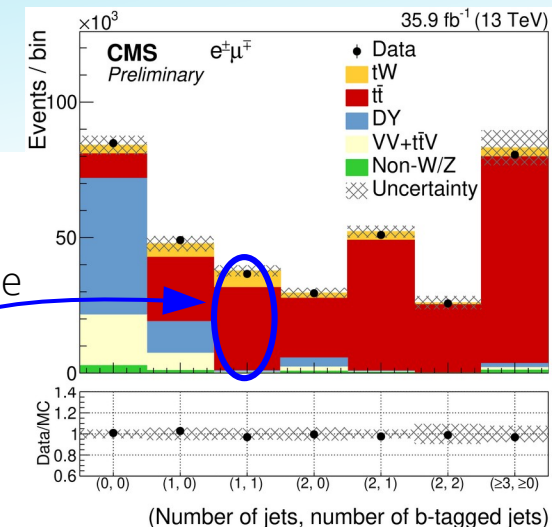
- Main challenge: **background largely dominates signal**, being the most important  $t\bar{t}$ .
- This is a consequence of its similarity with the most important way of producing top quarks at p-p collisions: pair production. Actually, at NLO, **they interfere**. In order to resolve both processes' definitions, and avoid double counting issues, two approaches ( [JHEP 07 \(2008\) 029](#) ) are used to obtain the  $tW$  simulation samples.
  - Diagram Removal (**DR**): we remove Feynman diagrams that might present two on-shell tops (also called *double resonant*).
  - Diagram Subtraction (**DS**): we remove locally the pair-production contribution by adding an artificial term in the calculation.



- The differential cross sections are measured as a function of the leading lepton  $p_T$ , jet  $p_T$ ,  $\Delta\phi(e^\pm, \mu^\mp)$ ,  $p_Z(e^\pm, \mu^\mp, j)$ ,  $m(e^\pm, \mu^\mp, j)$  and  $m_T(e^\pm, \mu^\mp, j, p_T^{\text{miss}})$ .

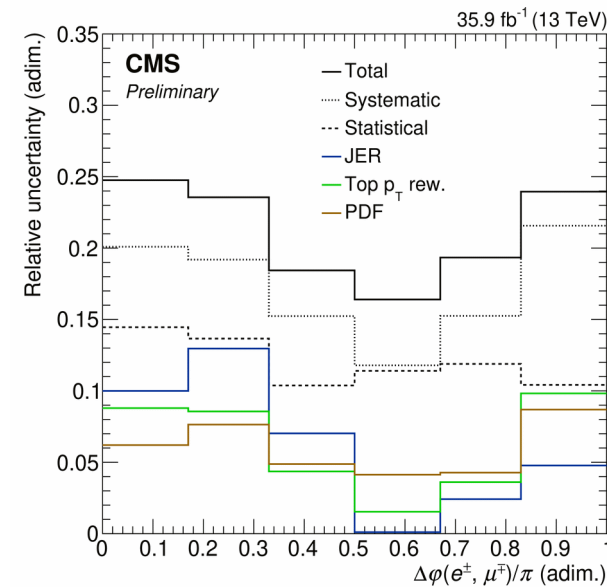
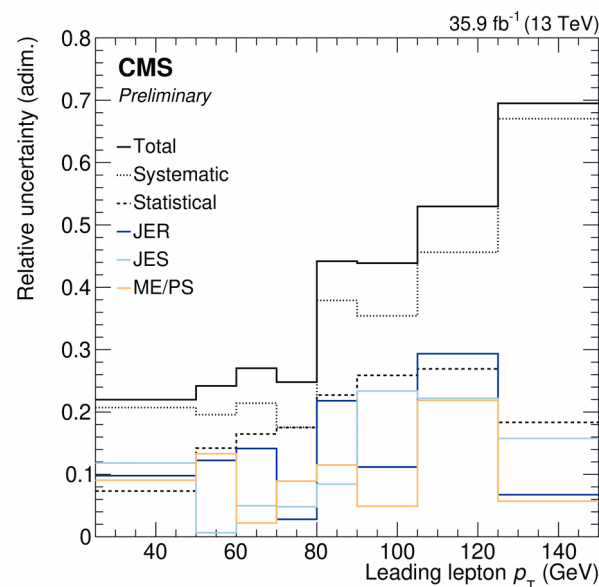
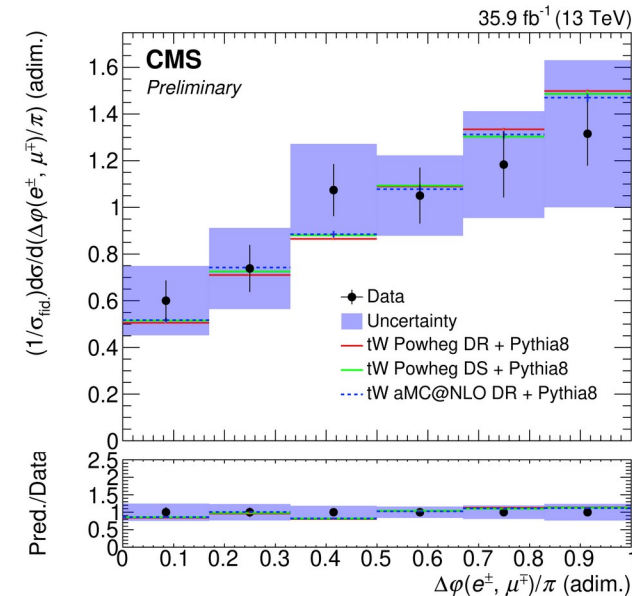
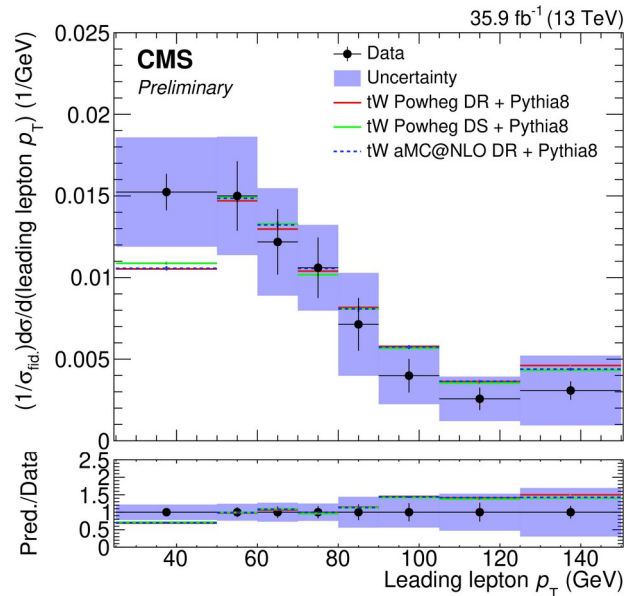
# Methodology

- The analysis is performed using the **complete 2016 dataset** (35.9 fb<sup>-1</sup>).
- The **trigger strategy** uses a combination of single and double triggers to maximise efficiency.
- Event selection**
  - At least two identified leptons.
  - One of them must fulfil  $p_T > 25$  GeV.
  - The two first (in terms of  $p_T$ ) must have opposite charge...
  - ... and be an electron and a muon ( $e\mu$  channel)...
  - ...whose invariant mass satisfy  $m(e, \mu) > 20$  GeV.
  - Exactly 1 jet ( $p_T > 30$  GeV) that must be b-tagged.
  - Exactly zero loose jets (jets with  $20 \text{ GeV} < p_T < 30 \text{ GeV}$ ).
- Signal is extracted by subtracting background to data.
- Afterwards, unfolding (implemented using **TUnfold**: [JINST 7 \(2012\) T10003](#)) is done to an equivalent fiducial region at particle level. The result is normalised to the fiducial cross section.



# Result & discussion

- **Agreement** between data and expectations (with the two generators, POWHEG and MADGRAPH5\_aMC@NLO) is fairly good.
- Analysis largely dominated by **systematic sources of uncertainties**, whose main origin is the overwhelming **background**.
  - Main sources: jet-related uncs. (e.g. JES, JER) and modeling (e.g. ME/PS matching).
  - Depending on the bin and distribution, varying from ~15-40% (bulk of distributions) up to ~25-100% in the tails.
- In addition, the result shows **compatible agreement** for the DR and DS schemes of the signal process.





# Extraction of CKM matrix elements in the single-top $t$ -channel events at 13 TeV with CMS

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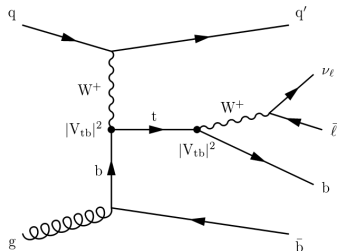
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# Single-top quark process

The top quark can be singly produced via electroweak interaction.



- light jets (high pseudorapidity)
- missing energy from  $\nu$
- isolated lepton
- b-jet from top quark
- b-jet from gluon splitting

Requirements: 2 or 3 jets (1 or 2 b jet)

- The single top  $t$ -channel production process is particularly indicated to measure the Cabibbo-Kobayashi-Maskawa elements  $|V_{tb}|^2$ ,  $|V_{ts}|^2$ , and  $|V_{td}|^2$ .
- The cross section and branching fraction can be written as:

$$\sigma_{t\text{-ch.,b}} \mathcal{B}(t \rightarrow Wb) + \sigma_{t\text{-ch.,b}} \mathcal{B}(t \rightarrow Wd,s) + \sigma_{t\text{-ch.,s,d}} \mathcal{B}(t \rightarrow Wb) + \mathcal{O}(|V_{td,s}|^4)$$

where:

$$\sigma_{t\text{-ch.,q}} \propto |V_{tq}|^2$$

$$\mathcal{B}(t \rightarrow Wq) = |V_{tq}|^2 \tilde{\Gamma}_q \Gamma_{\text{top}}$$

# Analysis strategy

Several irreducible backgrounds  $\rightarrow$  control regions

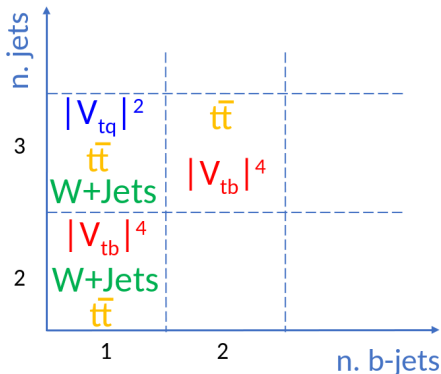
- 2-jets–1-tag rich in  $t$ -channel  $|V_{tb}|^4$ ; main backgrounds:  $W + \text{jets}$  and  $t\bar{t}$
- 3-jets–1-tag rich in  $t$ -channel  $|V_{tb}|^2$ ; main bkg:  $W + \text{jets}$  and  $t\bar{t}$
- 3-jets–2-tags pure in  $|V_{tb}|^4$ ; main bkg:  $t\bar{t}$

QCD discrimination:

- Shape obtained from data (from region with anti-isolated lepton)
- Depleted by requiring  $W$  boson transverse mass  $> 50$  GeV

Signal to background discrimination:

- Several kinematic variables
- Use of Boosted Decision Trees discriminator
- simultaneous fit is performed: 6 categories (2 lepton flavour  $\times$  3 regions)



# Results

The absolute values of CKM matrix elements are extracted from the fit results[1]:

SM scenario:

$$|V_{tb}|^2 + |V_{ts}|^2 + |V_{td}|^2 = 1$$

Results:

$$|V_{tb}|^2 > 0.970$$

$$|V_{ts}|^2 + |V_{td}|^2 < 0.057$$

BSM model 1:

$$|V_{tb}|^2 + |V_{ts}|^2 + |V_{td}|^2 \neq 1$$

Results:

$$|V_{tb}|^2 = 0.988 \pm 0.051$$

$$|V_{ts}|^2 + |V_{td}|^2 = 0.06 \pm 0.06$$

BSM model 2:

$\Gamma_t$  allowed to vary due to decay in new particles

$$|V_{tb}|^2 = 0.988 \pm 0.024$$

$$|V_{ts}|^2 + |V_{td}|^2 = 0.06 \pm 0.06$$

$$\frac{\Gamma_t^{\text{obs}}}{\Gamma_t} = 0.99 \pm 0.42$$

No deviations observed from the SM

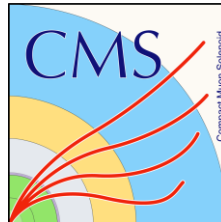
The results are more precise than the last measurement of  $|V_{tb}|$  performed by CMS[2] and than the ATLAS and CMS combination at  $\sqrt{s} = 7 - 8$  TeV [3]

# Measurement of differential $t\bar{t}$ production cross sections for high- $p_{T\text{top}}$ quarks with CMS at 13 TeV

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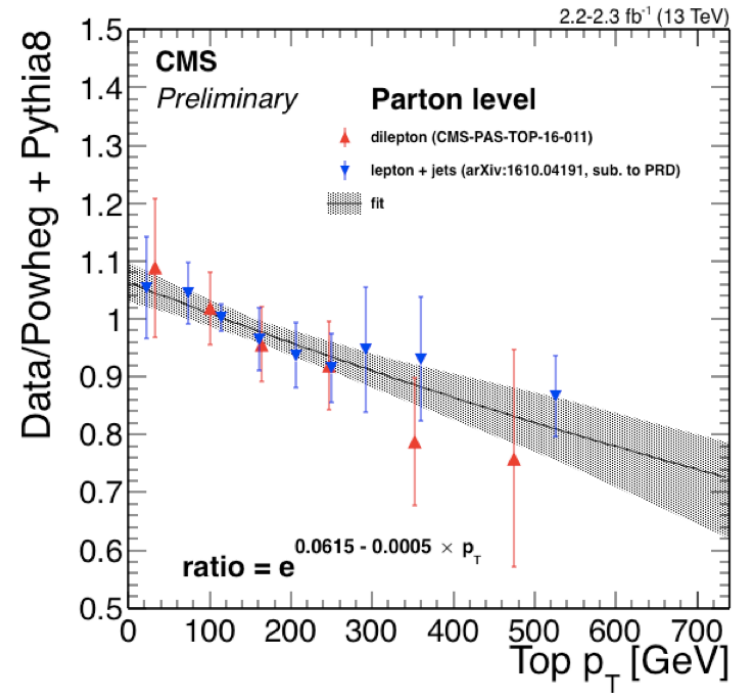
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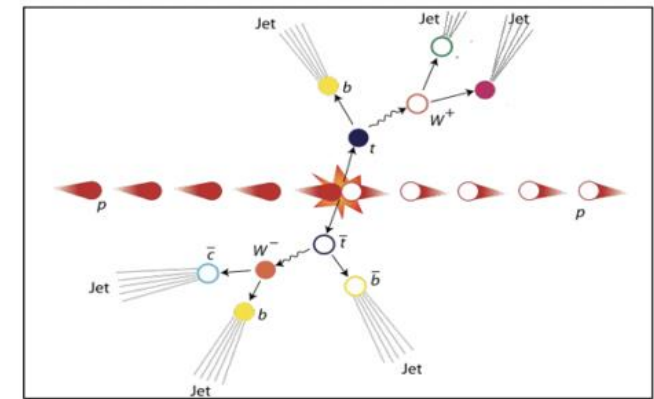
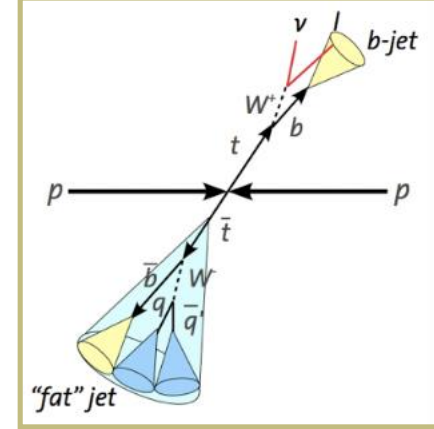
# Introduction / Motivation



Explore the kinematic regions beyond the reach of the resolve analyses ( $p_t > 400$  GeV)

- Provide precision in that region
- Sensitivity to new physics
- Test for perturbative QCD

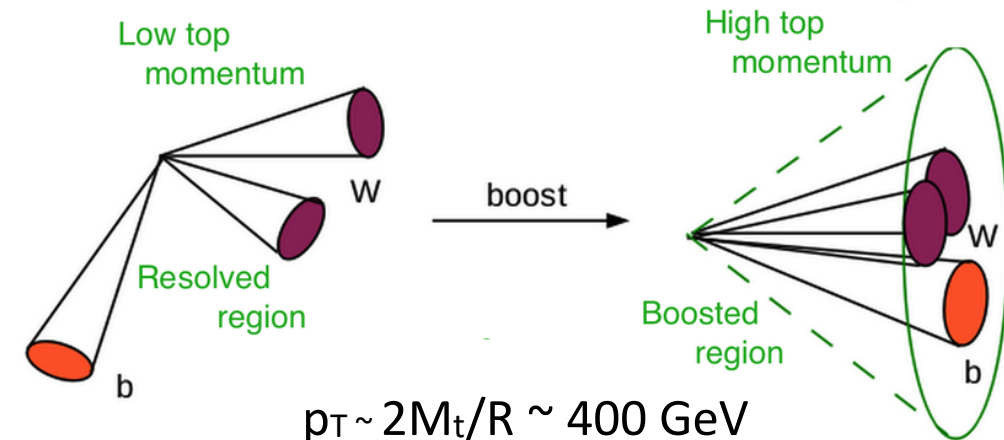
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Two distinct final states:

- $l + \text{jets}$  (boosted hadronically decaying top quark and resolved leptonically decaying top quark)
- Hadronic (both boosted top quarks decaying hadronically)

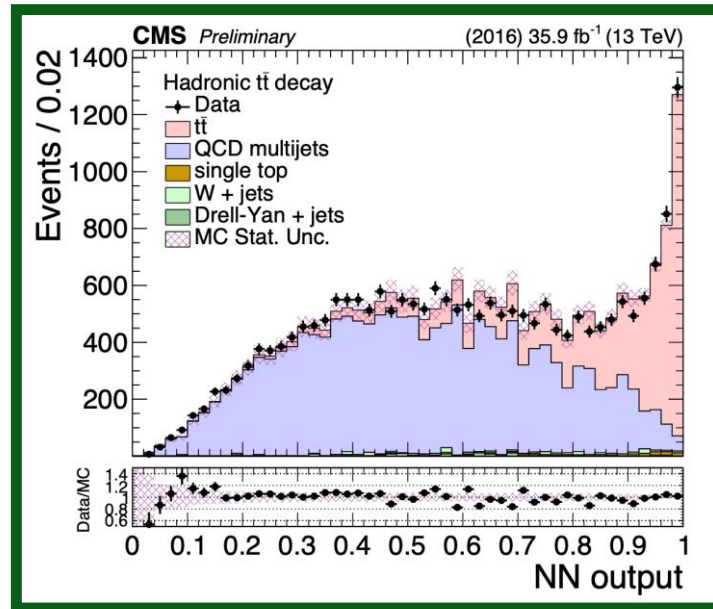
Compatible results with other analyses



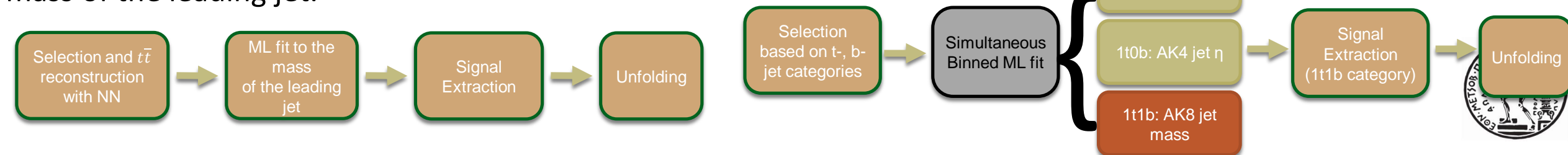
# Object selection / reconstruction

## Hadronic channel:

- Trigger selects two AK8 (anti-kt,  $R=0.8$ ) jets and b-tagging @ HLT level
- Two AK8 (anti-kt,  $R=0.8$ ) jets with  $p_T > 400$  GeV
- $t\bar{t}$  event tagging with NN using jet substructure variables as inputs
- Selection split in categories based on the b-tagging requirements. 2b Signal Region (SR) 0b Control Region (CR)



Data driven background suppression. QCD shape taken from CR, while QCD yield is estimated by a ML fit to the mass of the leading jet.

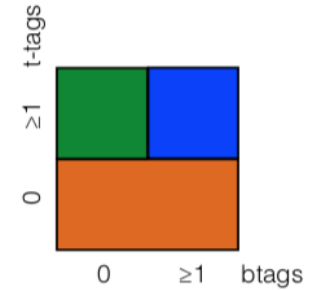


## l + jets channel:

- Final state a lepton + b jet + MET + t jet
- Trigger selects a single lepton and two small R jets

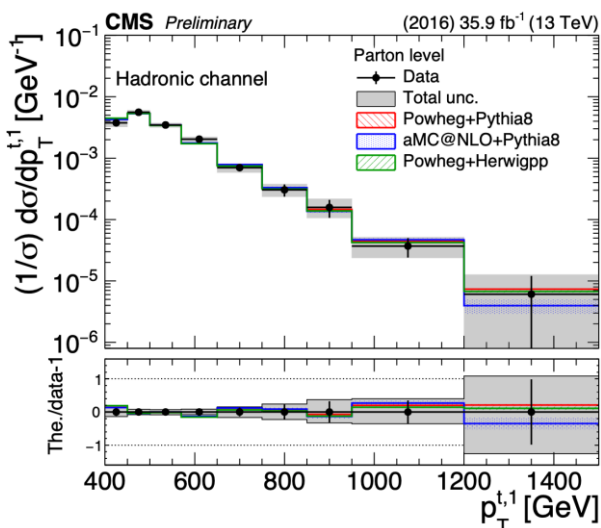
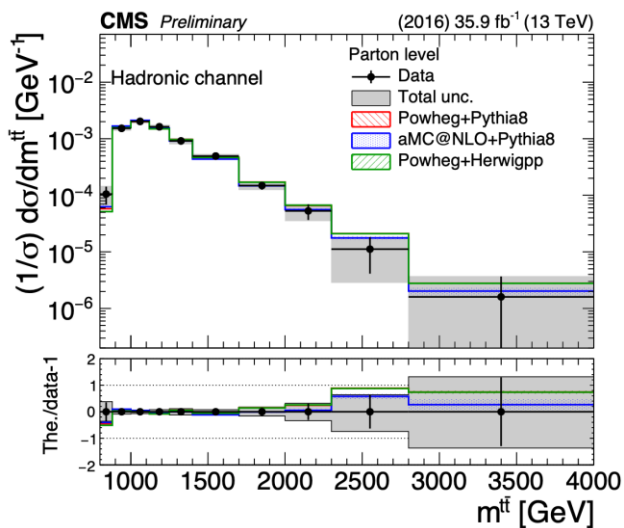
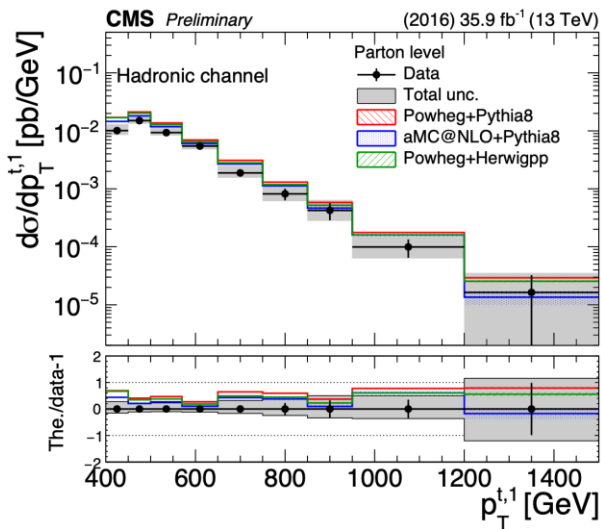
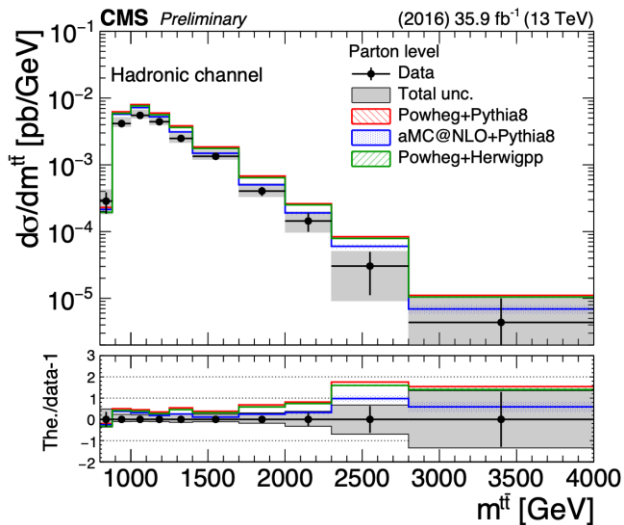
## Selection:

- Exactly 1 lepton  $e/\mu \geq 1$  small R jet (anti-kt,  $R = 0.4$ , leptonic top decay)
- $\geq 1$  large R jet (anti-kt,  $R = 0.8$ , hadronic top decay)
- $E_T^{Miss}$
- b tagging AK4 jet, medium WP
- t tagging  $\rightarrow$  AK8 jet,  $105 < m_{top} < 220$  GeV, subjetiness  $\tau_{32} < 0.81$ , No b tagging  $\rightarrow$  better acceptance
- Categories 0t, 1t0b 1t1b



QCD estimated from simultaneous fit in the 3 categories in a QCD dominated sideband (invert lepton isolation).

## Hadronic channel



Absolute

## Results

Results using unfolding with simple matrix inversion without regularization for both channels

**Hadronic:**

- Shapes overall compatible with theory
- Overall shift of 35% in the total cross section

**l + jets:**

- Differential distributions generally well described
- All models over predict the absolute cross section

More data is needed in order to enhance the statistical significance and investigate the severity of this discrepancy.

Normalized

## l + jets channel

