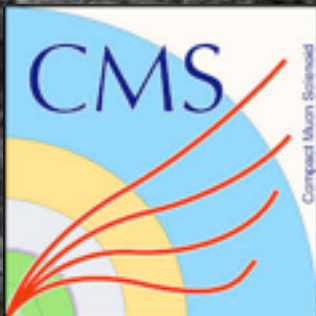


# Top quark production at the LHC

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- The talk is organised as follows
  - Rates and dynamics of top quark pair production
  - Testing the EW couplings through single top production
  - Conclusions
- A review of the latest results on top production at the LHC is given
  - emphasis is put on 13 TeV results and latest “legacy” LHC Run I results
  - attempt for a summary of what have we learnt so far and what lies ahead
- Many more results can be found in
  - ATLAS public page <https://twiki.cern.ch/twiki/bin/view/AtlasPublic/TopPublicResults>
  - CMS public page <https://twiki.cern.ch/twiki/bin/view/CMSPublic/PhysicsResultsTOP>



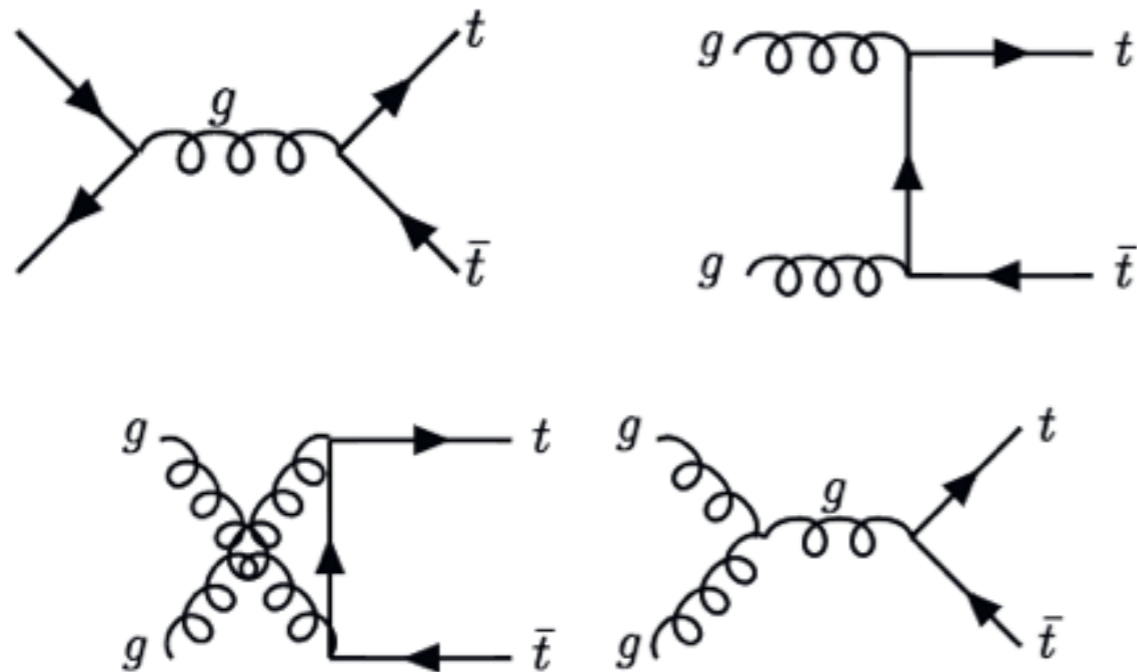
# Rates and dynamics of top quark pair production

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*Latest results on inclusive and differential  $pp \rightarrow tt$  measurements:*

*interplay with fundamental parameters ( $m_t, \alpha_S$ ) and searches for new physics;*

*testing perturbative QCD predictions.*



$$\begin{aligned}\sigma(7 \text{ TeV}) &= 177 \text{ pb} \pm 7\% \\ \sigma(8 \text{ TeV}) &= 253 \text{ pb} \pm 6\% \\ \sigma(13 \text{ TeV}) &= 832 \text{ pb} \pm 5\%\end{aligned}$$

$$R_{13/8} = 3.28$$

NNLO+NNLL predictions ([arXiv:1112.5675](https://arxiv.org/abs/1112.5675))

# Why is top quark pair production (still) interesting?

- Pair production is dominated by strong interactions

- sensitivity to mass<sup>4</sup>:  $\hat{\sigma} \propto \left(\frac{\alpha_S}{m_t}\right)^2 f(\alpha_S, \beta)$

- furthermore **differential distributions are sensitive to the width and to EW corrections**

Precise cross section measurements open the door to measure fundamental constants and test new physics

- Typical time scales allow to study the properties of a bare quark

$$\underbrace{\frac{1}{m_t}}_{\text{production } 10^{-27} \text{ s}} < \underbrace{\frac{1}{\Gamma_t}}_{\text{lifetime } 10^{-25} \text{ s}} < \underbrace{\frac{1}{\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}}}_{\text{hadronization } 10^{-24} \text{ s}} < \underbrace{\frac{m_t}{\Lambda^2}}_{\text{spin-flip } 10^{-21} \text{ s}}$$

- Top quarks couple to all interactions

- privileged coupling to the Higgs -  $Y_t \approx 1$  to be established directly by experiments

- decays ruled by EW interactions:  **$t \rightarrow Wb$  dominates as  $V_{tb} \approx 1$**

- W decay chain generates a **plethora of final states: all jets, lepton+jets, dileptons**



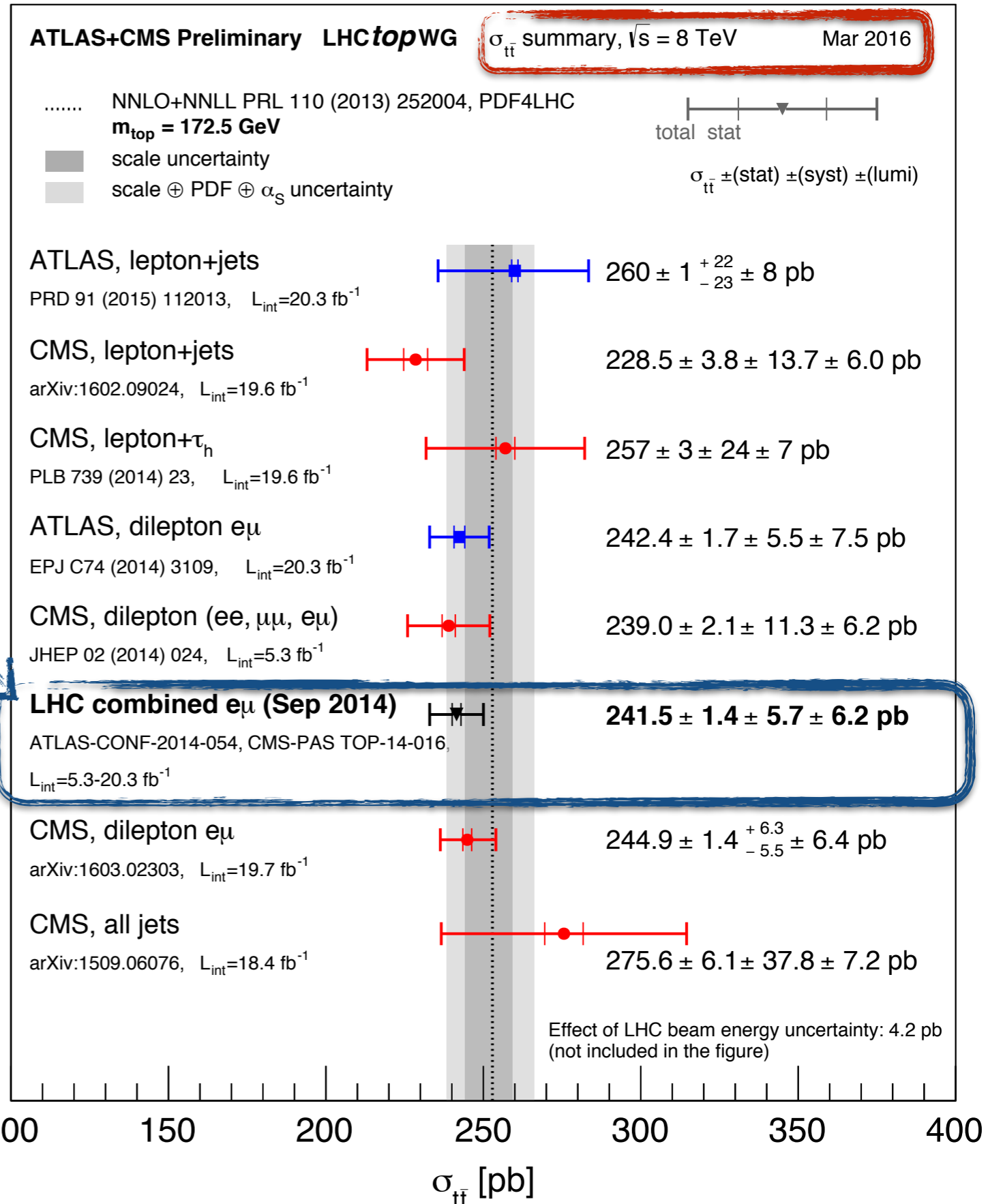
# $\sigma(tt)$ : status after Run I

- All final states covered
- fair agreement for different analysis
- no tension with respect to the SM NNLO+NNLL prediction for  $m_t=172.5$  GeV

## Dilepton analyses lead in precision

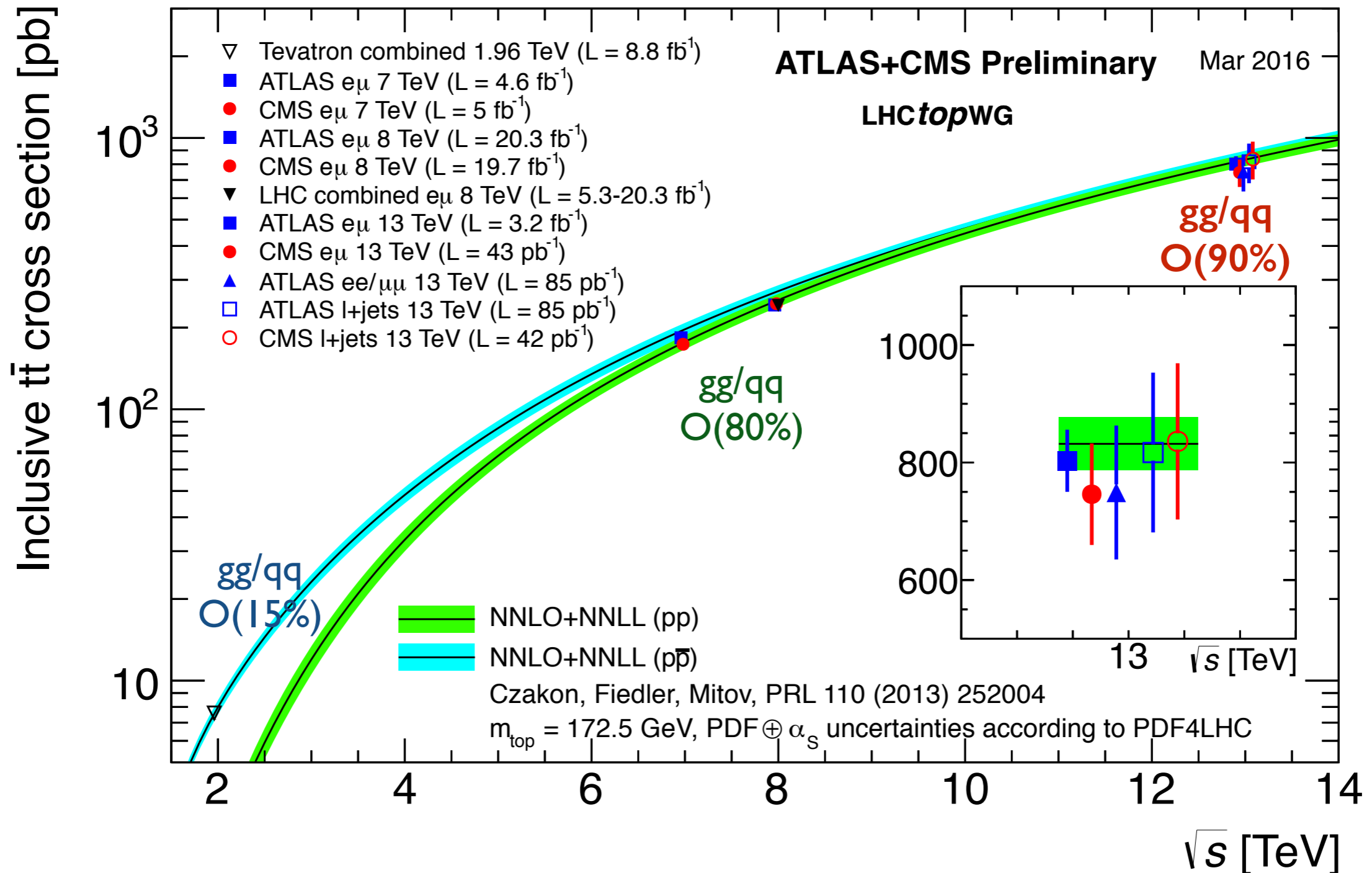
- electron+muon + jets final state
- high purity sample (~90%)
- large acceptance due to loose cuts

- LHCb has also observed top production in the forward region PRL 115, 112001 (2015)  
(won't cover in this talk)



# $\sigma(t\bar{t})$ has been promptly measured at 13 TeV

- Re-established  $t\bar{t}$  production at 13 TeV with very early data :  $< 100 \text{ pb}^{-1}$
- Evolution as function of  $s^{1/2}$  seems well understood:  $t\bar{t}$  can be used as a “gluon luminometer”



# Early cross section measurements I

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- Focused on counting high purity  $e\mu$  events
- **Typical requirements:** 2 op. sign leptons ( $p_T > 20$  GeV  $|\eta| < 2.5$ )  
at least two jets ( $p_T > 30$  GeV  $|\eta| < 2.5$ )

## Backgrounds

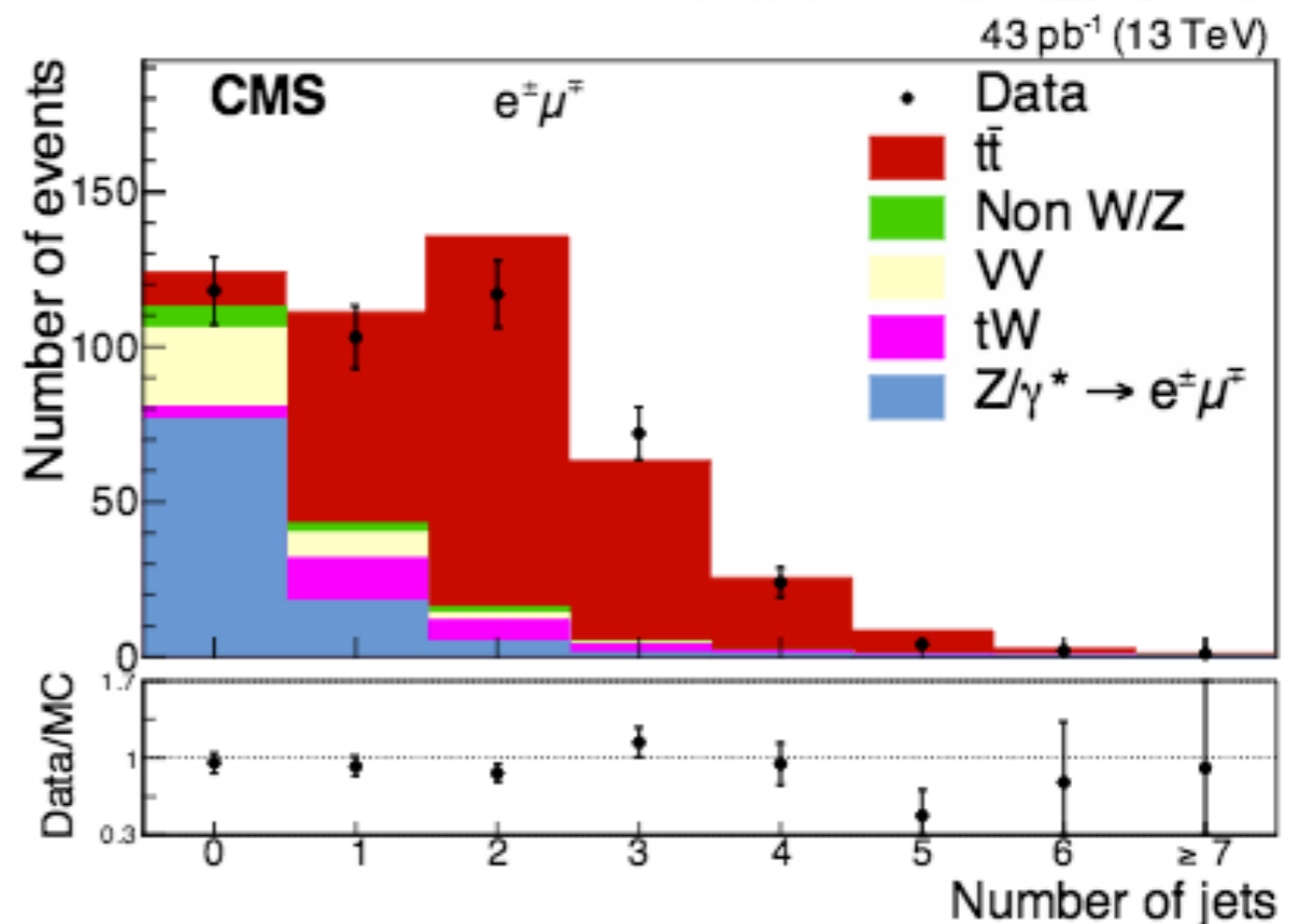
- **single resonant production  $tW$**  dominates
- Drell-Yan/fake leptons : estimated in data

## Main uncertainties:

Source	$\Delta\sigma/\sigma$ (%)
Statistics	7.8
Luminosity	4.8
Trigger/selection	5.6
Signal modelling	2.6
PDF	2.4
Backgrounds	2.1

$$\sigma_{t\bar{t}} = 746 \pm 58_{\text{stat}} \pm 53_{\text{syst}} \pm 36_{\text{lumi}} \text{ pb}$$

$\Delta\sigma/\sigma \approx 11\%$



Expect partial scaling of exp. with more data: integ. luminosity/efficiencies/energy scales



# Early cross section measurements II

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- Beyond counting : profit from statistics to constraint in-situ some systematics
  - count jets identified as coming from the hadronization of a b quark
  - counts in each category are related by the **b-identification efficiency** ( $\epsilon_b \approx 70\%$ )

$$N_1 = L\sigma_{t\bar{t}} \epsilon_{e\mu} 2\epsilon_b(1 - C_b\epsilon_b) + N_1^{\text{bkg}}$$

$$N_2 = L\sigma_{t\bar{t}} \epsilon_{e\mu} C_b\epsilon_b^2 + N_2^{\text{bkg}}$$

- Extrapolation to full phase space volume yields

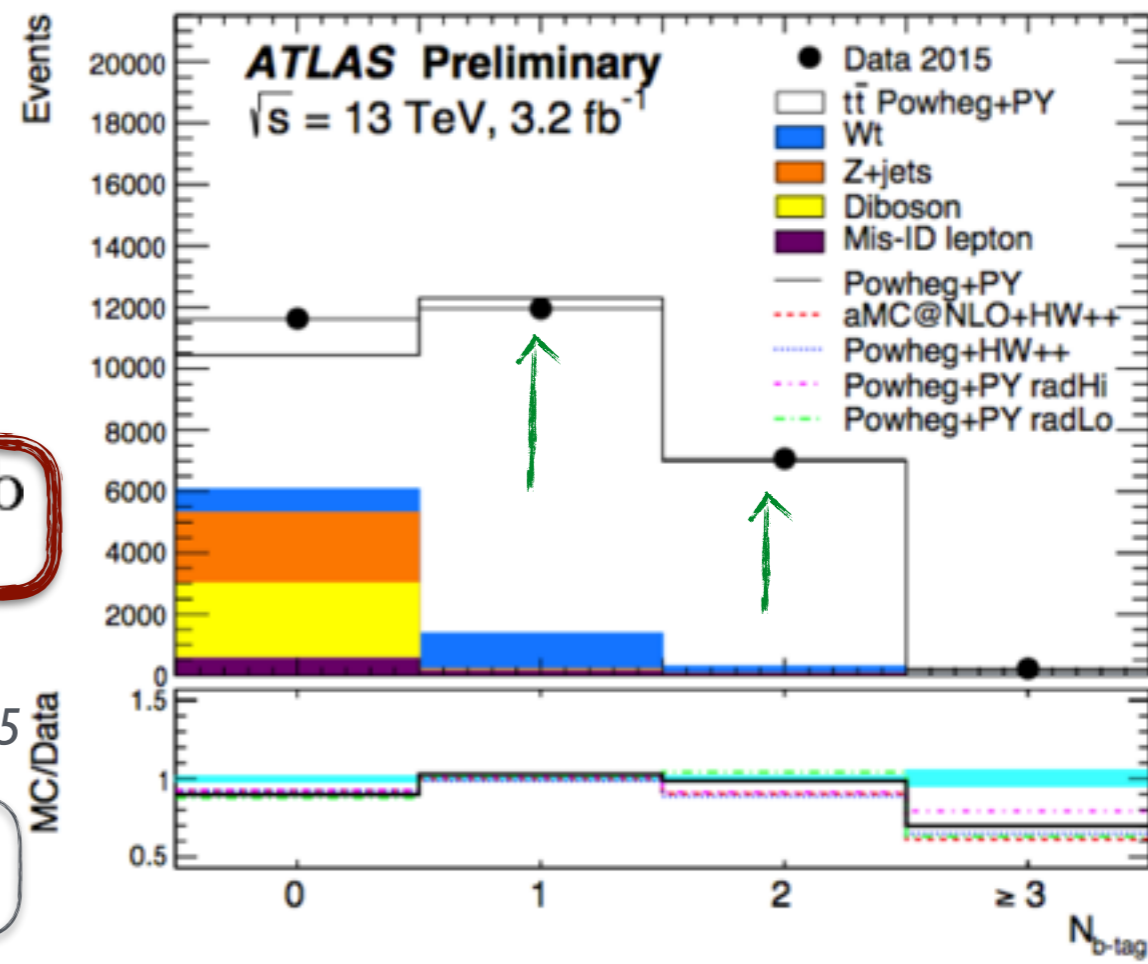
$$\sigma_{t\bar{t}} = 803 \pm 7_{\text{stat}} \pm 27_{\text{syst}} \pm 45_{\text{lumi}} \pm 12_{\text{beam}} \text{ pb}$$

$\Delta\sigma/\sigma \approx 6.7\%$

- Measurement in the fiducial volume *l e+ l μ with  $p_T(\ell) > 25 \text{ GeV } |\eta| < 2.5$*

$$\sigma_{t\bar{t}}^{\text{fid}} = 11.12 \pm 0.10_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.28_{\text{syst}} \pm 0.62_{\text{lumi}} \pm 0.17_{\text{beam}} \text{ pb}$$

$\Delta\sigma/\sigma \approx 6.3\%$



$\Delta\sigma/\sigma$ (%)	Statistics	Luminosity	Trigger/ selection	Signal modelling	Backgrounds
<i>fiducial</i>					
total	0.9	5.5	0.7	2.9	0.9

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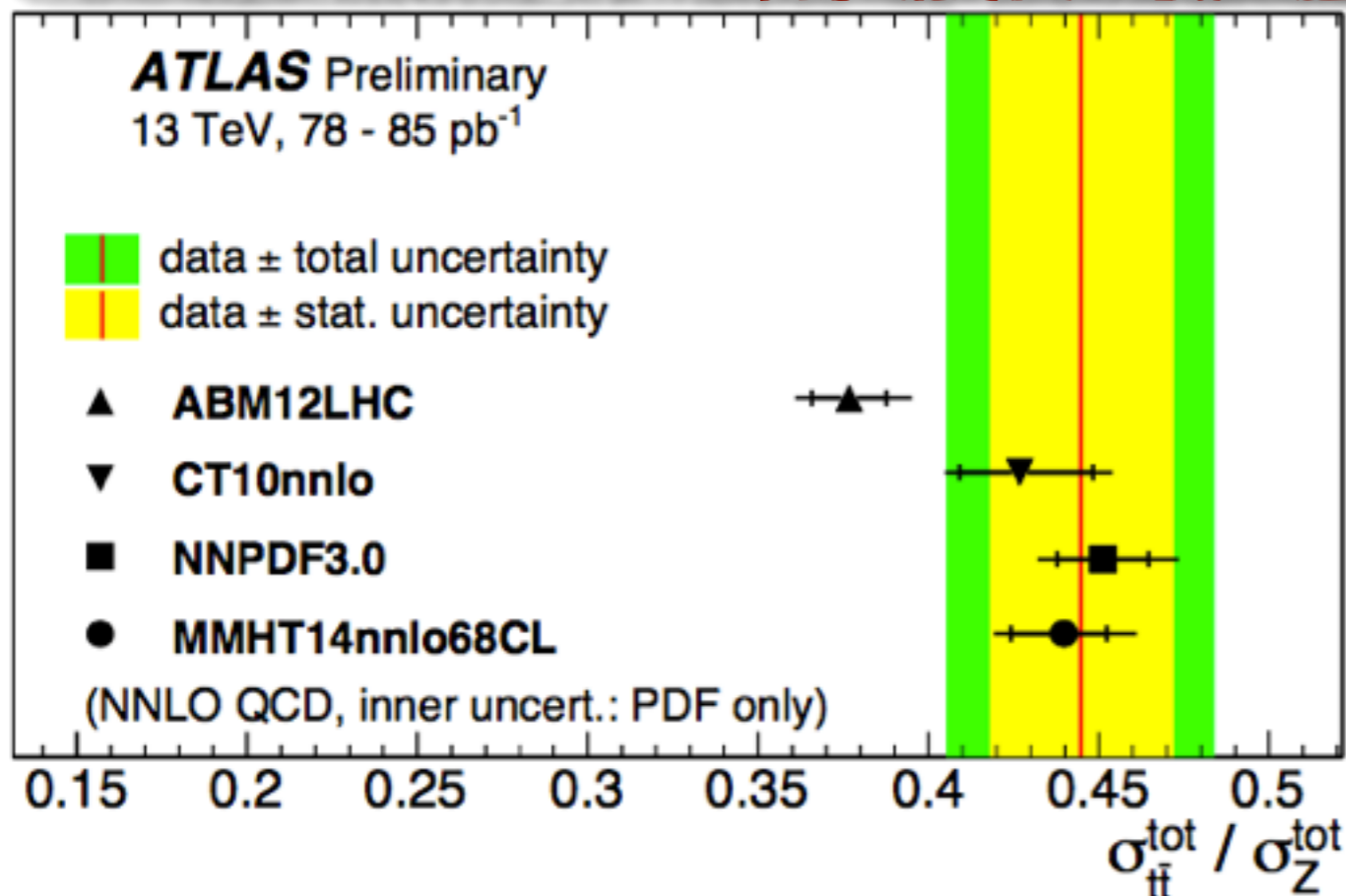
# Using top quarks as gluon luminometers

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- Ratios of cross sections are expected to cancel out some of the systematic uncertainties
  - compare to SM predictions : test parton luminosities, search for new physics effects
- Ratio to Z production tests qq/gg ratio
  - improves on luminosity (1%), trigger/lepton selection efficiencies (2.2%)
  - uncertainties in Z/tt modelling and backgrounds are similar

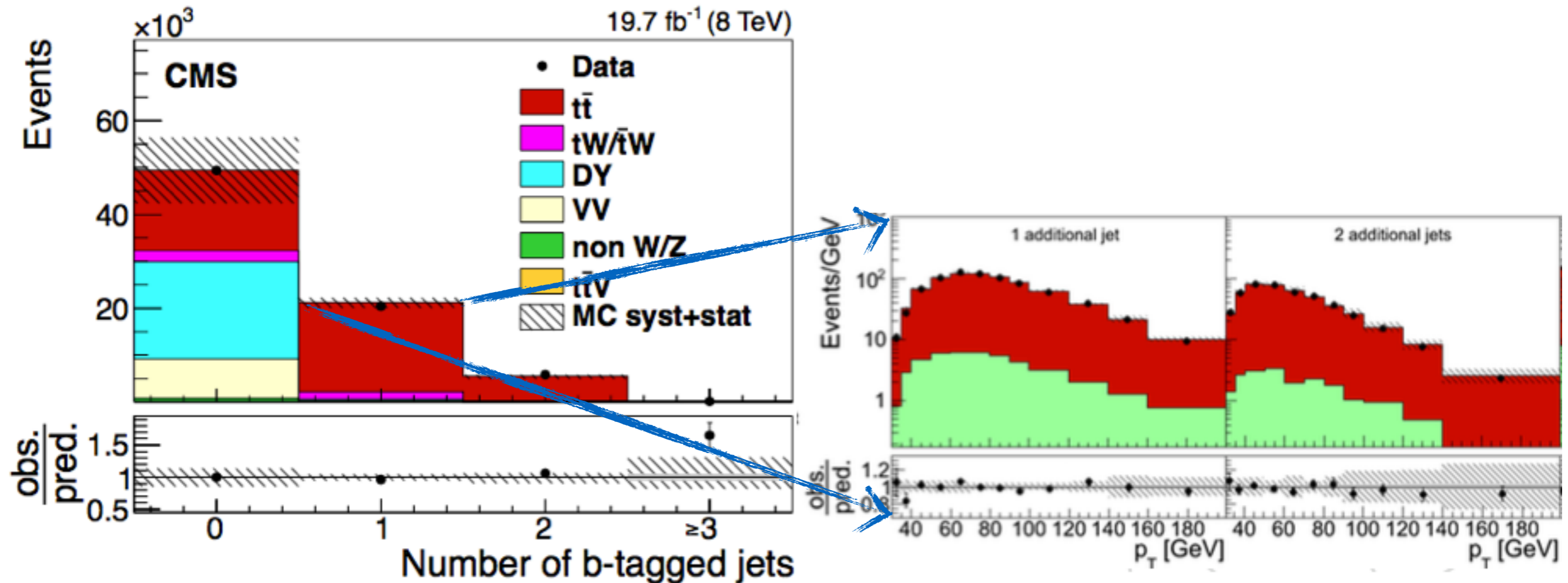
$$R_{t\bar{t}/Z}^{\text{CT10nnlo}} = 0.427^{+0.022}_{-0.013} \text{ (PDF)} \quad ^{+0.012}_{-0.016} \text{ (QCD scale)} \quad ^{+0.005}_{-0.004} (\alpha_s)$$



- PDF predictions tested mostly compatible with data
    - 2 $\sigma$  tension with prediction based on ABM12LHC (smaller gg density)
- Still large room to explore different ratios in Run 2, also at different  $s^{1/2}$ , to constraint further PDFs*

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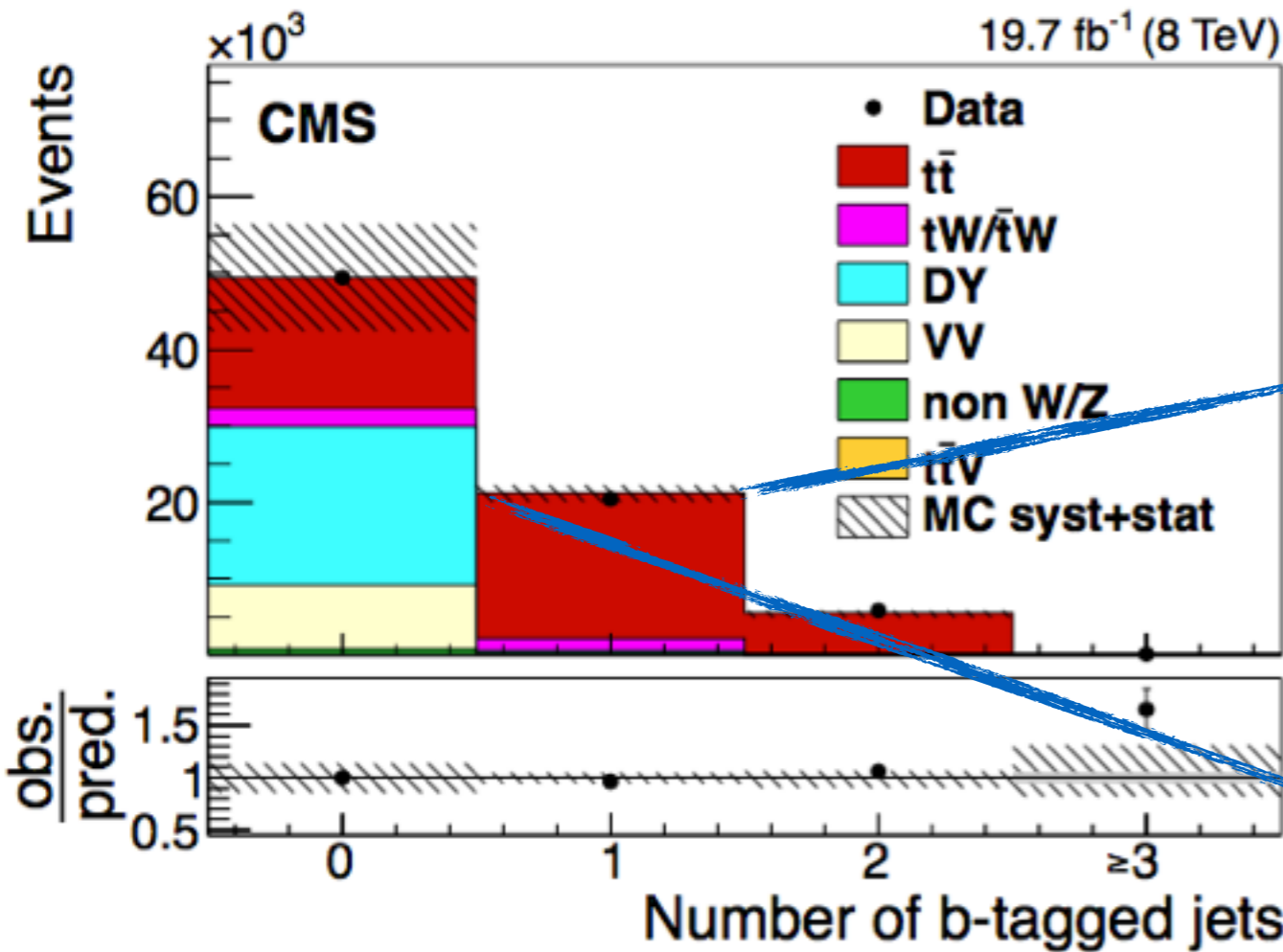
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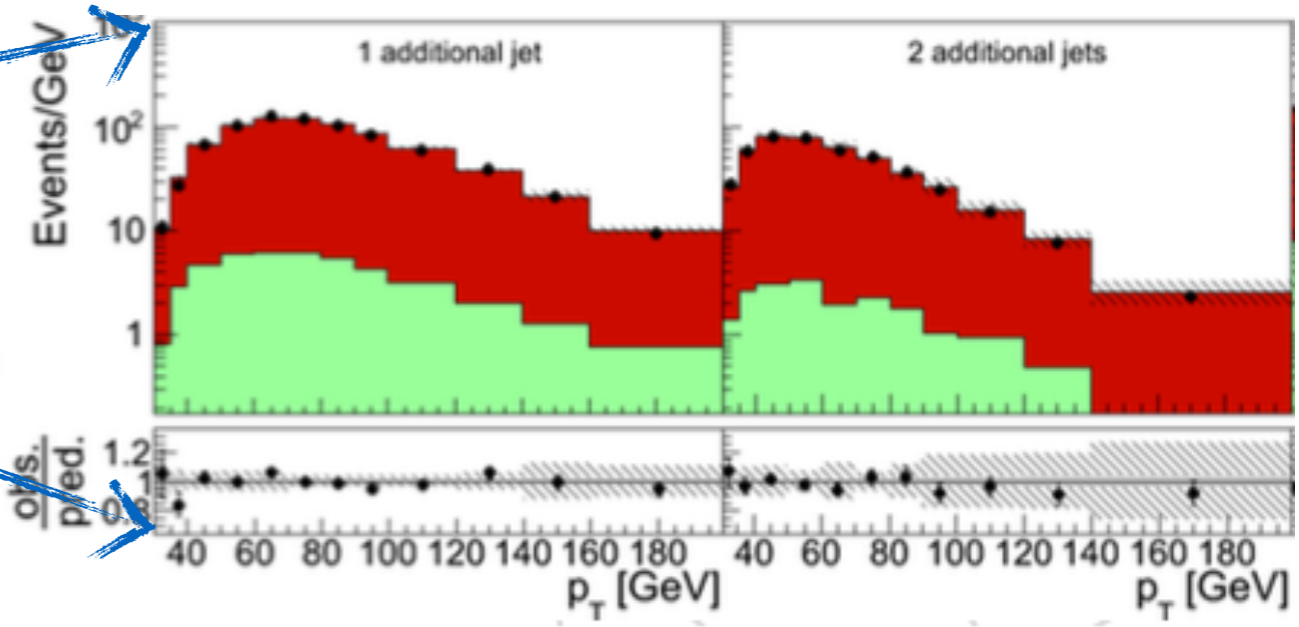
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$$\sigma_{t\bar{t}}^{7\text{TeV}} = 173.6 \pm 2.1 (\text{stat})_{-4.0}^{+4.5} (\text{syst}) \pm 3.8 (\text{lumi}) \text{ pb.}$$

$$\sigma_{t\bar{t}}^{8\text{TeV}} = 244.9 \pm 1.4 (\text{stat})_{-5.5}^{+6.3} (\text{syst}) \pm 6.4 (\text{lumi}) \text{ pb.}$$

$\Delta\sigma/\sigma=3.7\%$



Main uncs.

Source	Stats	Luminosity	Trigger/ selection	Signal modelling	Backgrounds	Extrapolation (signal model)
$\Delta\sigma/\sigma$ (%)	0.6	2.6	2.0	1.1	1.6	0.7

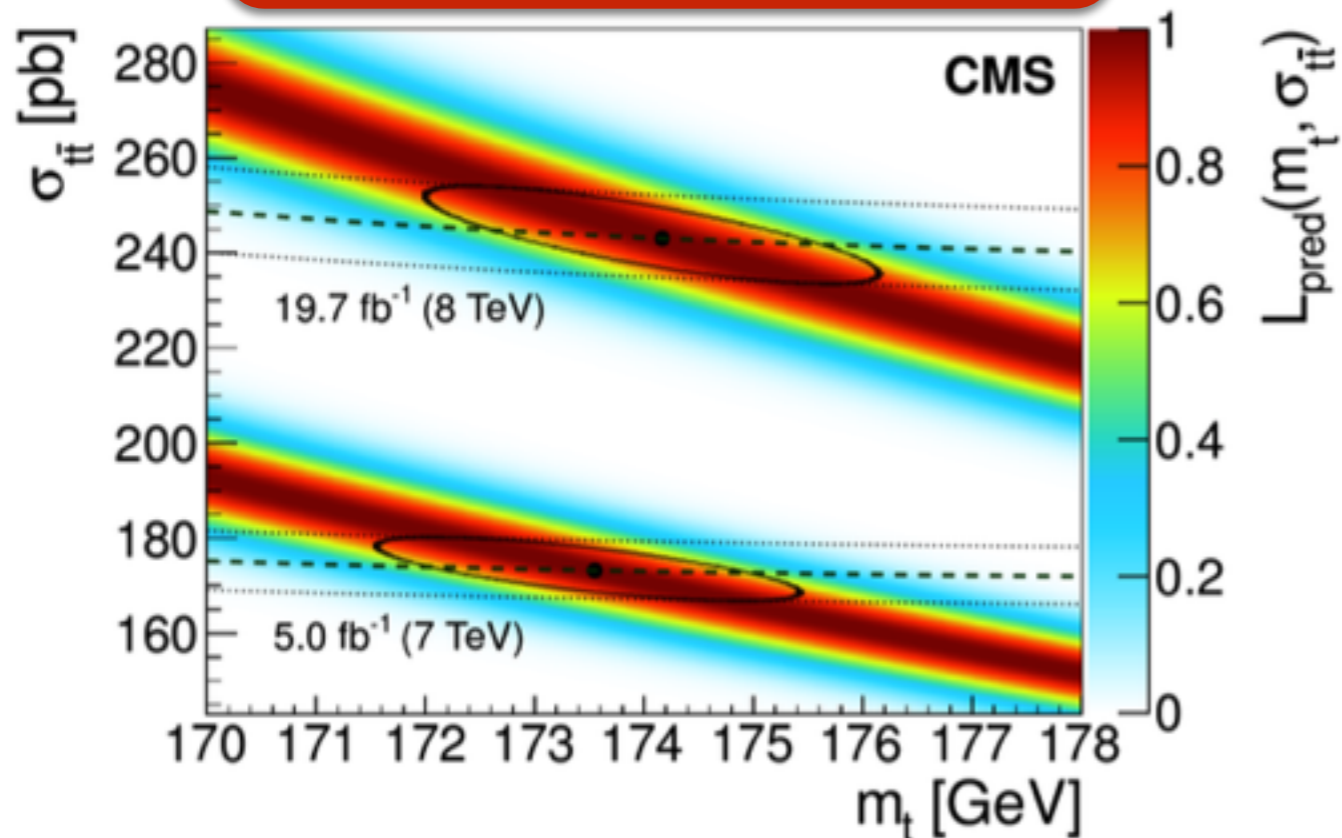
Expect methods to evolve and benefit from higher statistics in Run II

# Pole mass extraction

- Top mass extraction at fixed order scheme
  - need full phase space extrapolation
  - benefits from loose selections  $\Rightarrow$  flat acceptance
  - assume  $\alpha_s$  and PDF and compare to theory

$$m_t^{\text{pole}} = 173.8_{-1.8}^{+1.7} \text{ (GeV)} \quad \Delta m/m = 1\%$$

**NEW** [arXiv:1603.02303](https://arxiv.org/abs/1603.02303) sub to JHEP



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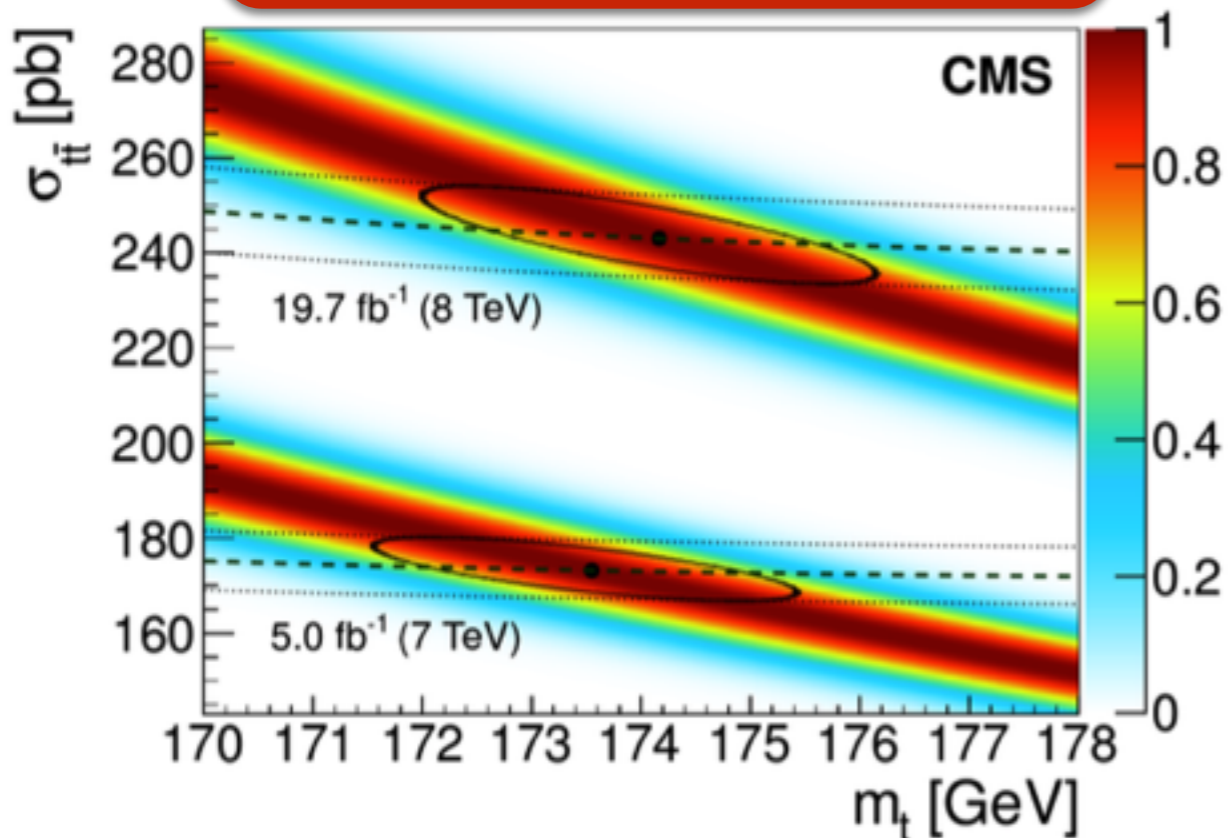
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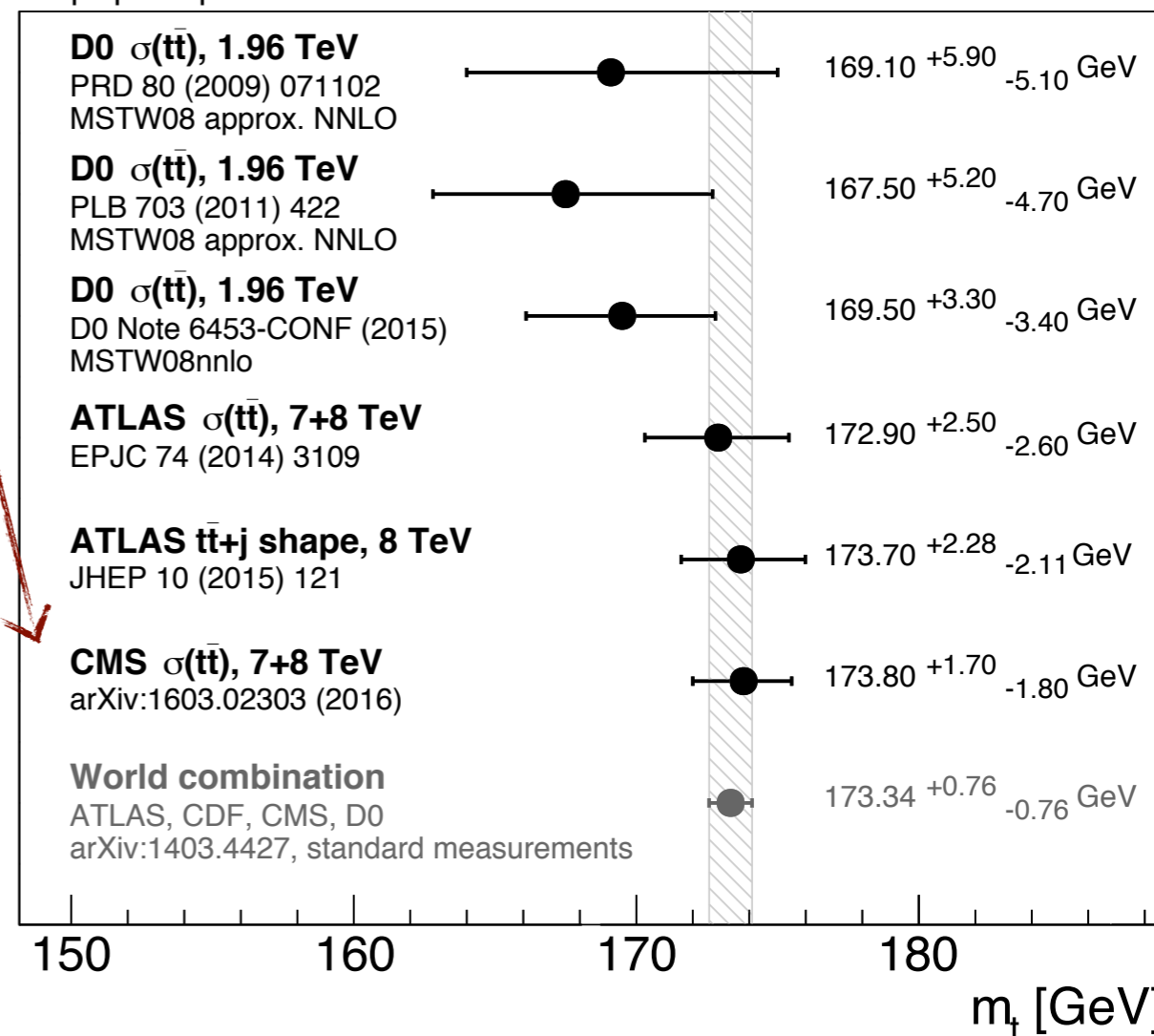
## How far do we need go experimentally?

- assuming current  $\delta\sigma_{\text{th}}^{\text{NNLO}} \approx 5.5\%$   
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- may reach  $\delta m_t^{\text{pole}} \approx 0.5\%$  if  $\delta\sigma_{\text{exp}} \approx 2\%$

For more details on top mass see - B. Stieger's talk

Top-quark pole mass measurements

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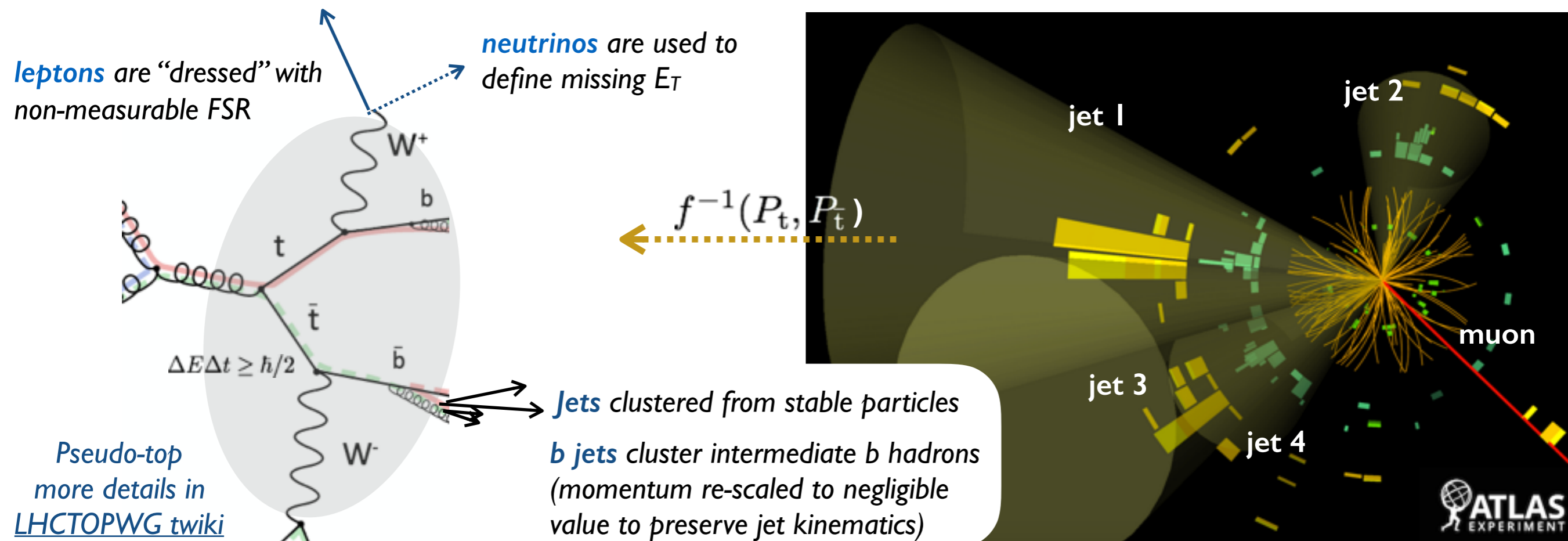




# Differential cross section measurements

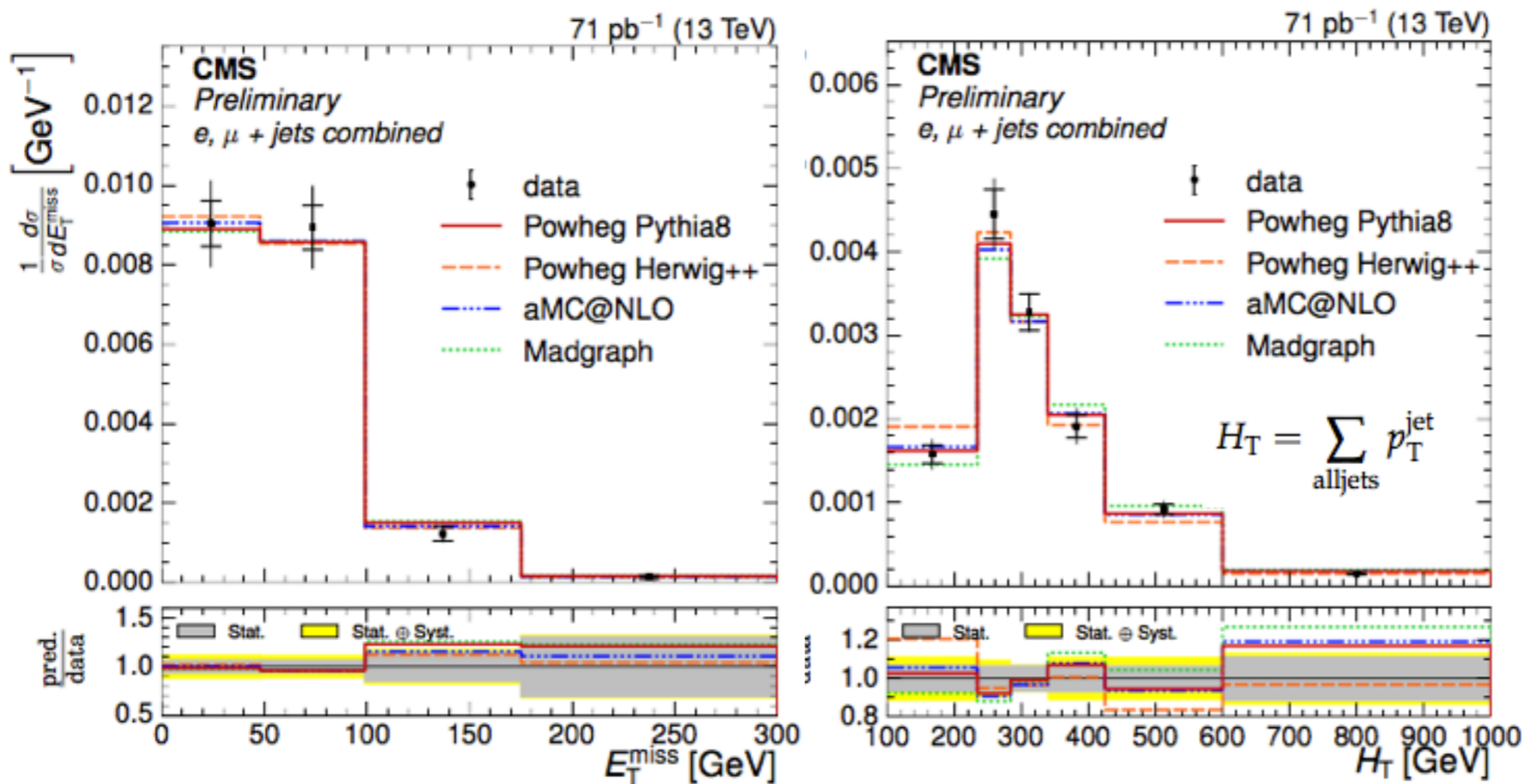
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- Provide additional constraints on  $m_t$ ,  $\alpha_s$ , PDF, pQCD, new physics
  - use final state products to reconstruct top quark candidates
  - compare to theory  $\Rightarrow$  “unsmear” data for reconstruction, resolution, parton shower effects
- Whenever possible find theory-safe definitions (pseudo-top)
  - mimic at particle level the selections and reconstruction algorithms
- Comparisons to fixed order computations require “unsmearing” to parton level



# Global event description I

- Impacts searches e.g.  $ttH \rightarrow \text{invisible}/bb$  / **SUSY** which are produced in the bulk/tails of  $tt$  events
- **Early analysis** using lepton+jets final state indicates **no significant deviation from predictions**
  - corrections are made to particle level (no kinematics reconstruction involved)
  - statistics dominated, main systematics from signal model used to derive unfolding corrections
  - **test NLO + Parton Shower (PS) generators and tunes used in Run 2**

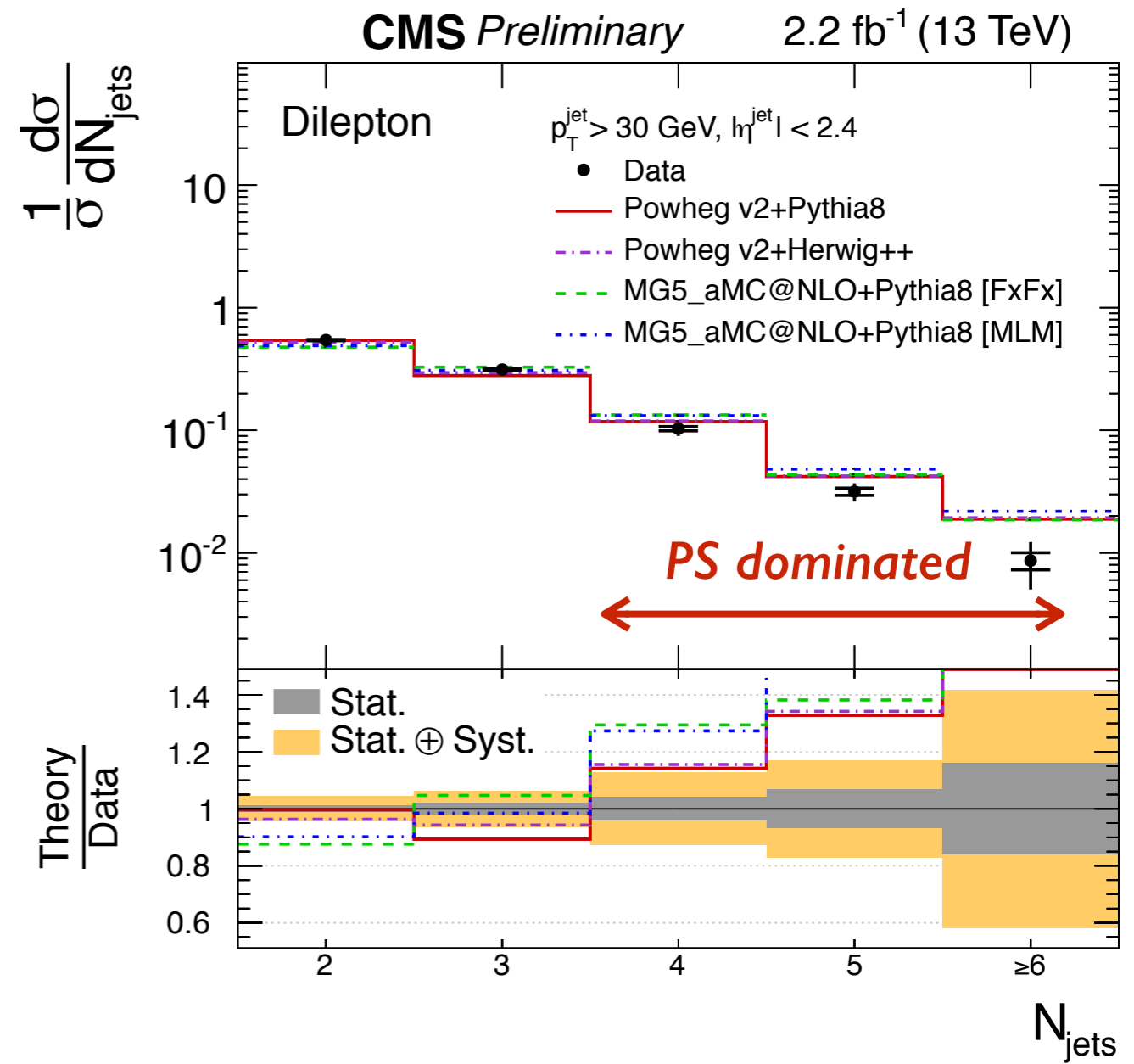
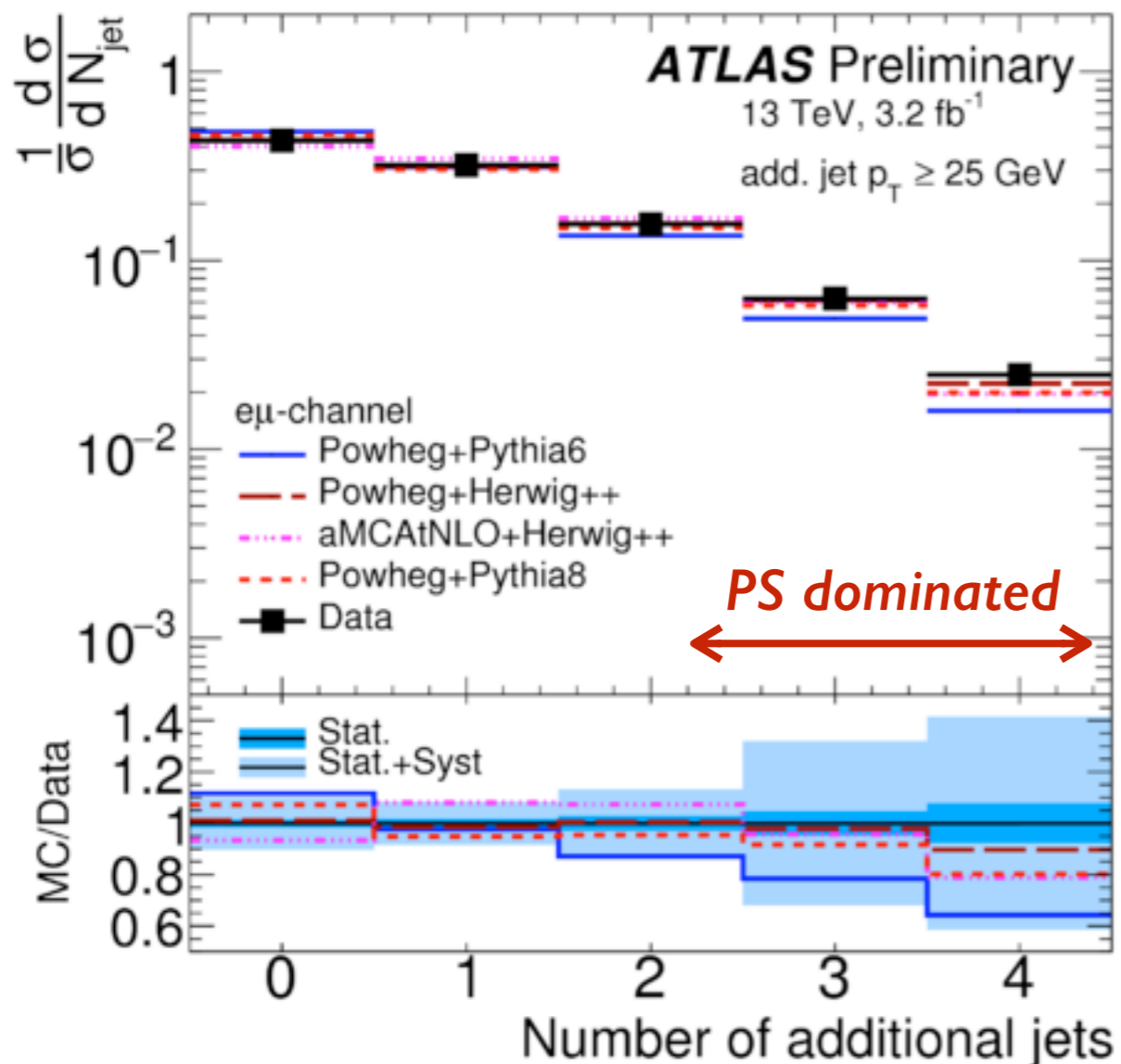


Main uncertainties

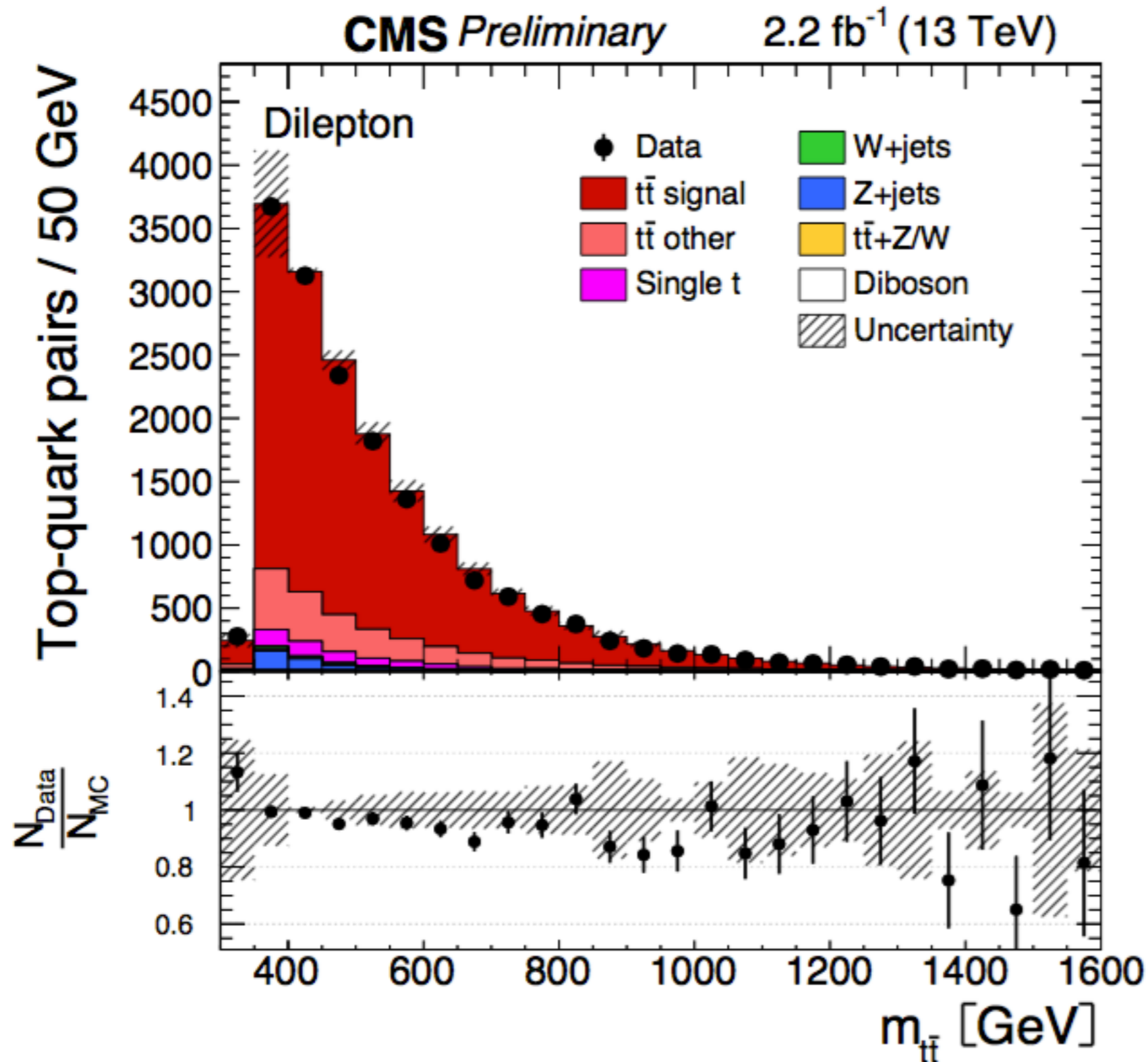
Source	Median unc. (%)
Statistics	5-25
Hadronizer	1.1
NLO generator	3.2
QCD multijet background	1.6

# Global event description II

- Extra jet emissions are mostly regulated by the Parton Shower generators
  - sensitive to matching to matrix-element generators and to shower model
  - predictions from **modern generators in agreement with each other within <15%**
  - however in **extreme regions observe discrepancies which need to be tuned further**



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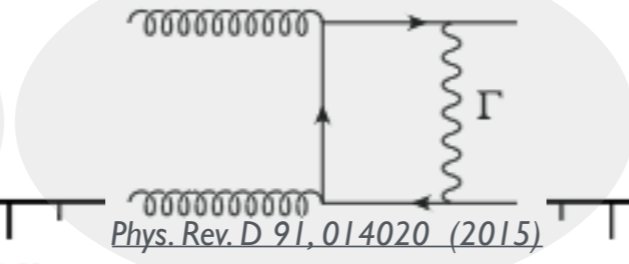


# Towards probing precisely the measured $t\bar{t}$ invariant mass

Test QCD production modes near threshold



Test EW corrections (Z,γ,H)

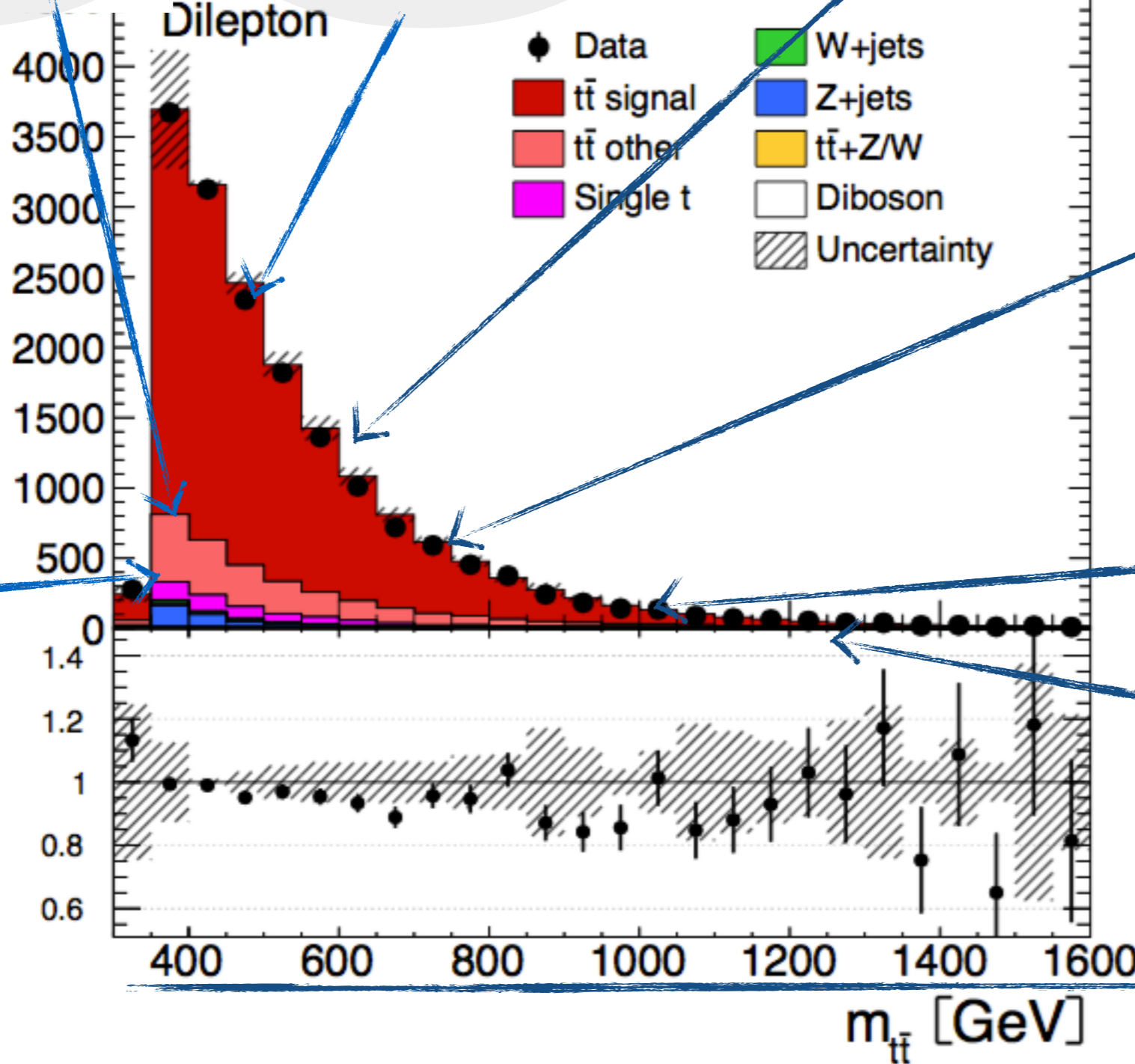


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Elusive signs of new physics

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Top-quark pairs / 50 GeV



Pole mass scan?

$$\frac{\Delta m_t}{m_t} \sim 1.2 \cdot \frac{\Delta \langle m_{t\bar{t}} \rangle}{\langle m_{t\bar{t}} \rangle}$$

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$$\frac{N_{\text{Data}}}{N_{\text{MC}}}$$

Bump hunting

$$X \rightarrow t\bar{t}$$

Entering the boosted regime

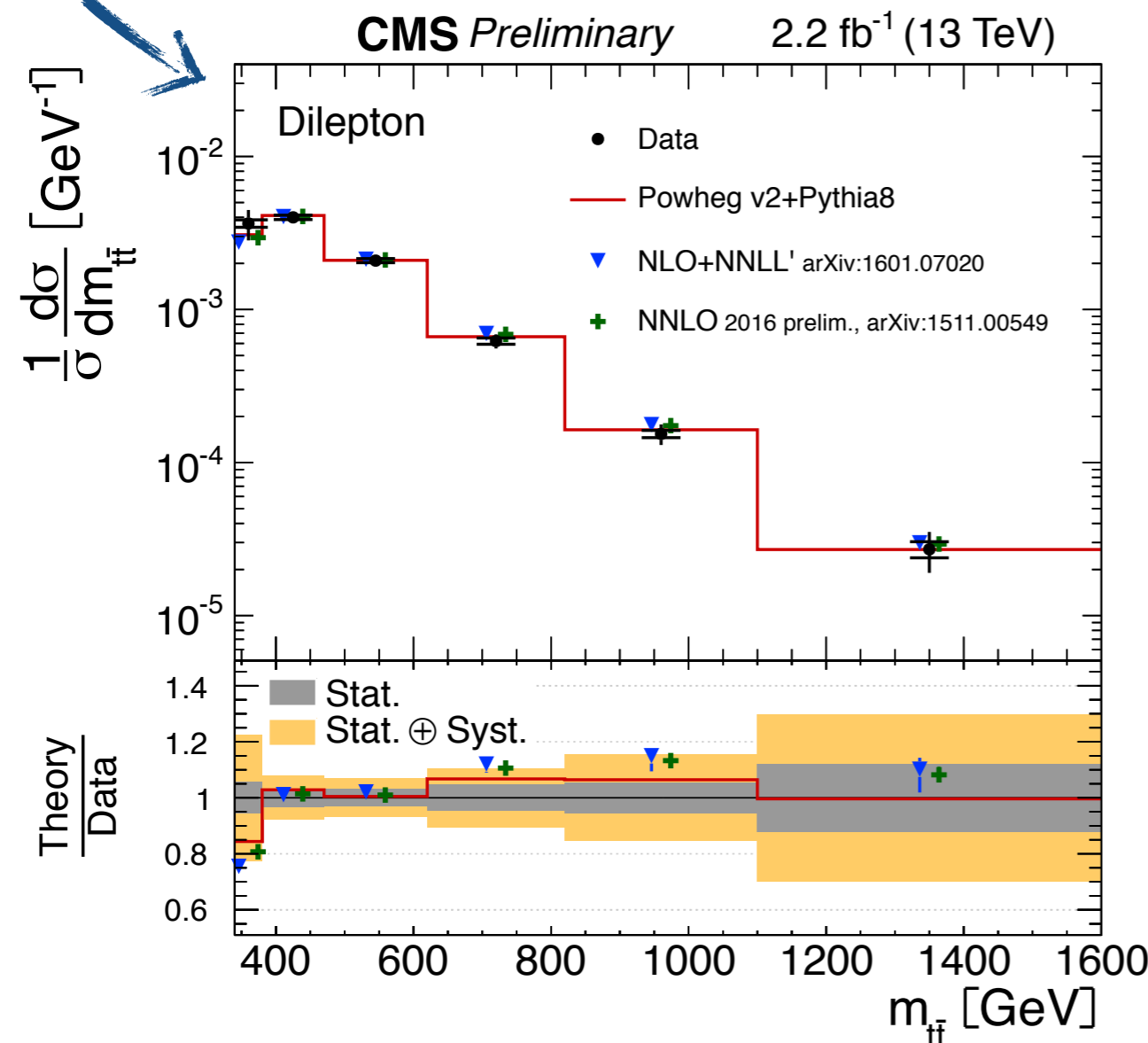
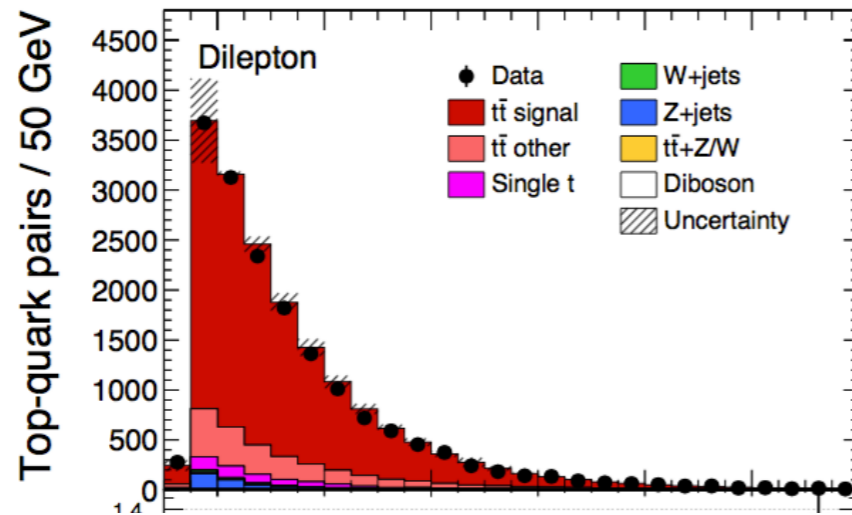


PDFs,  $\alpha_s$  at high  $x$

Top mass running?

$$m_t = m_t(\mu)$$

# Probing the measured $t\bar{t}$ invariant mass

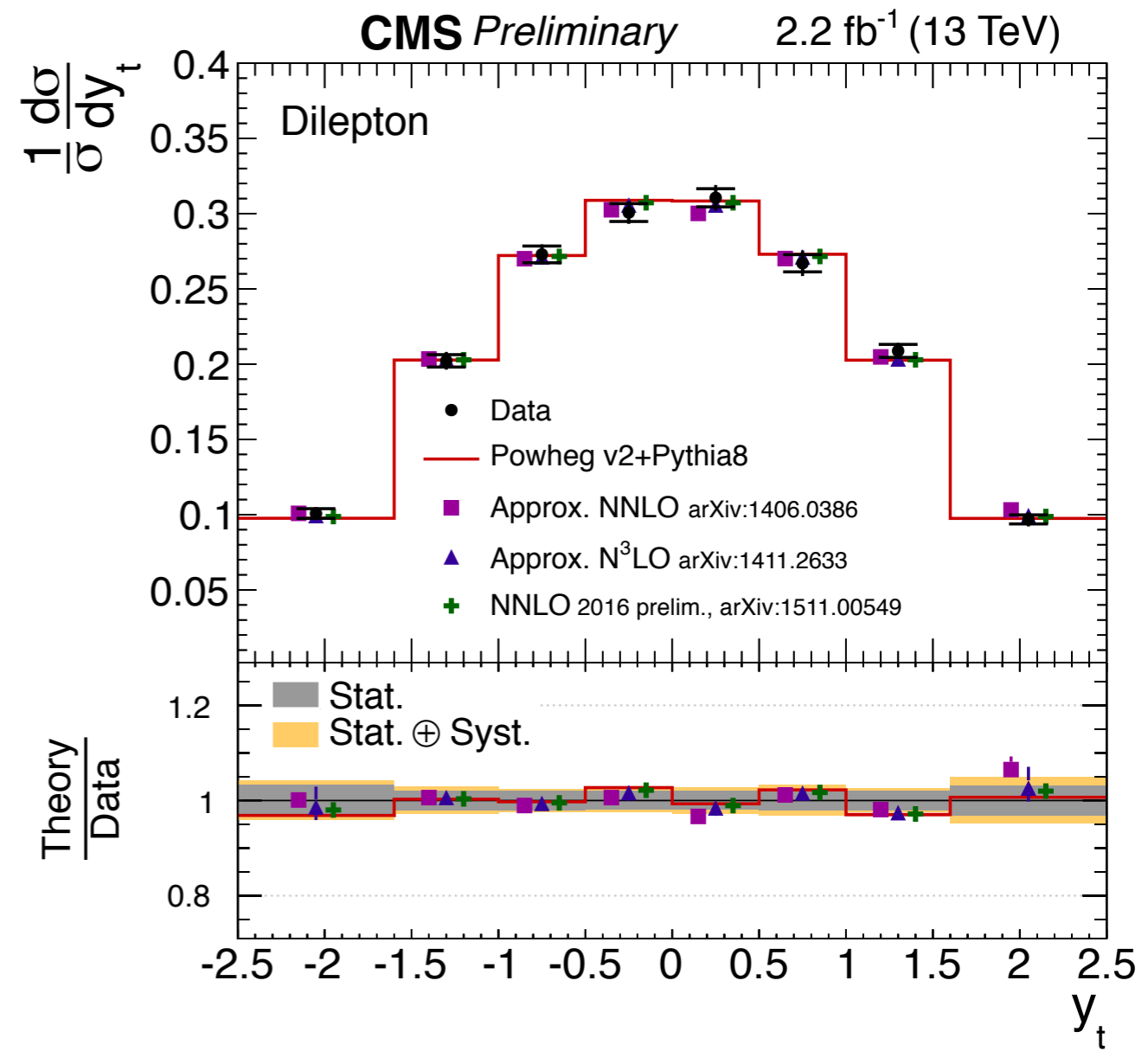
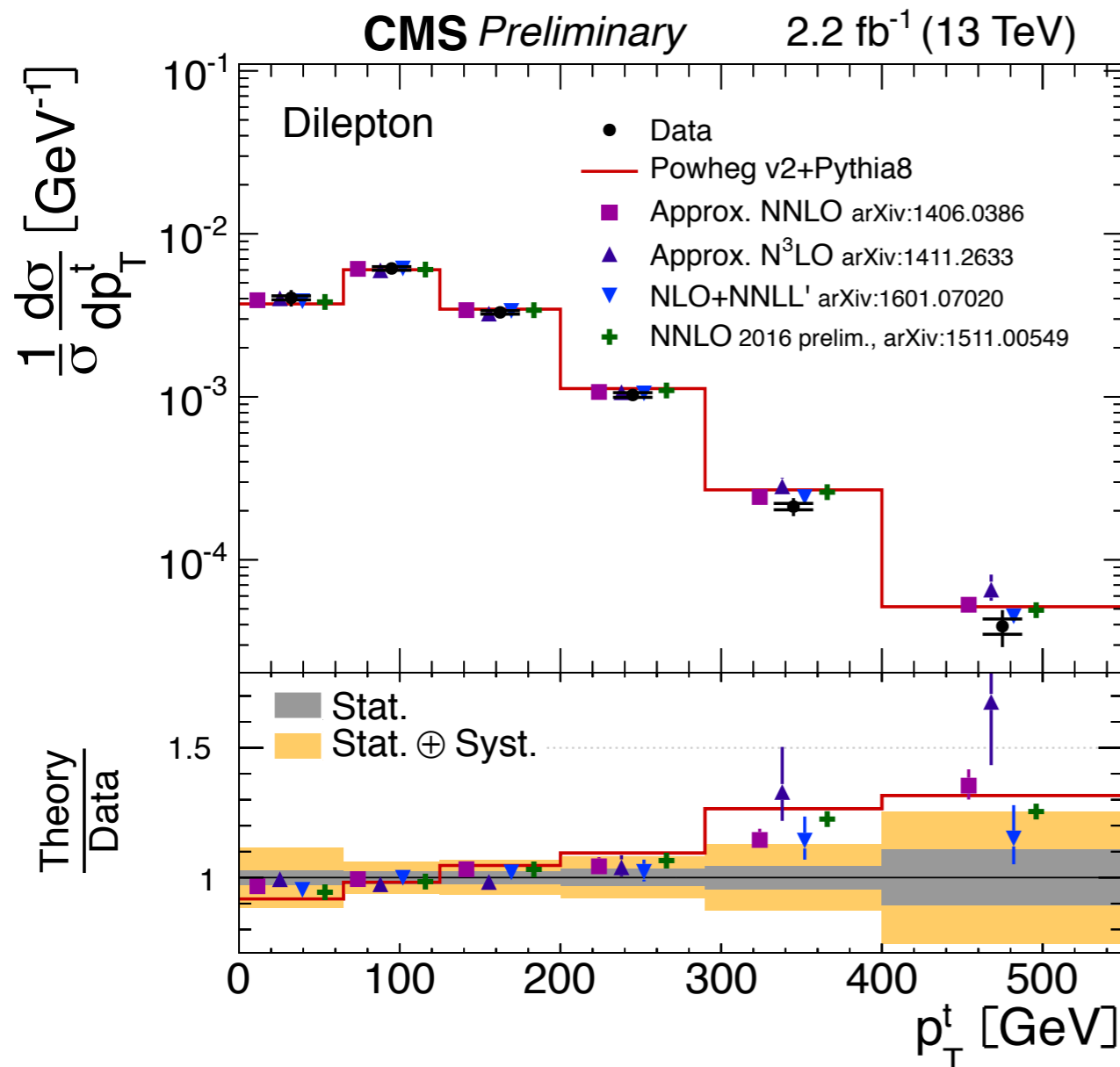


## Rate/shape reproduced within uncertainties

- Precise measurements of  $M(t\bar{t})$  and others depends crucially on the understanding of ME+PS-based predictions
- Current uncertainty at the level of 5-20%
  - ambiguity in data shape corrections
  - dominated by different MC models
- **Largest contributions** from choice of
  - hadronizer (Pythia8 vs Herwig++)
  - NLO generator (aMC@NLO vs Powheg)
- ⇒ complement with alternative measurements to constrain PS related uncertainties (e.g. underlying event, jet activity, etc.)
- Experimentally jet energy scale unc. dominant

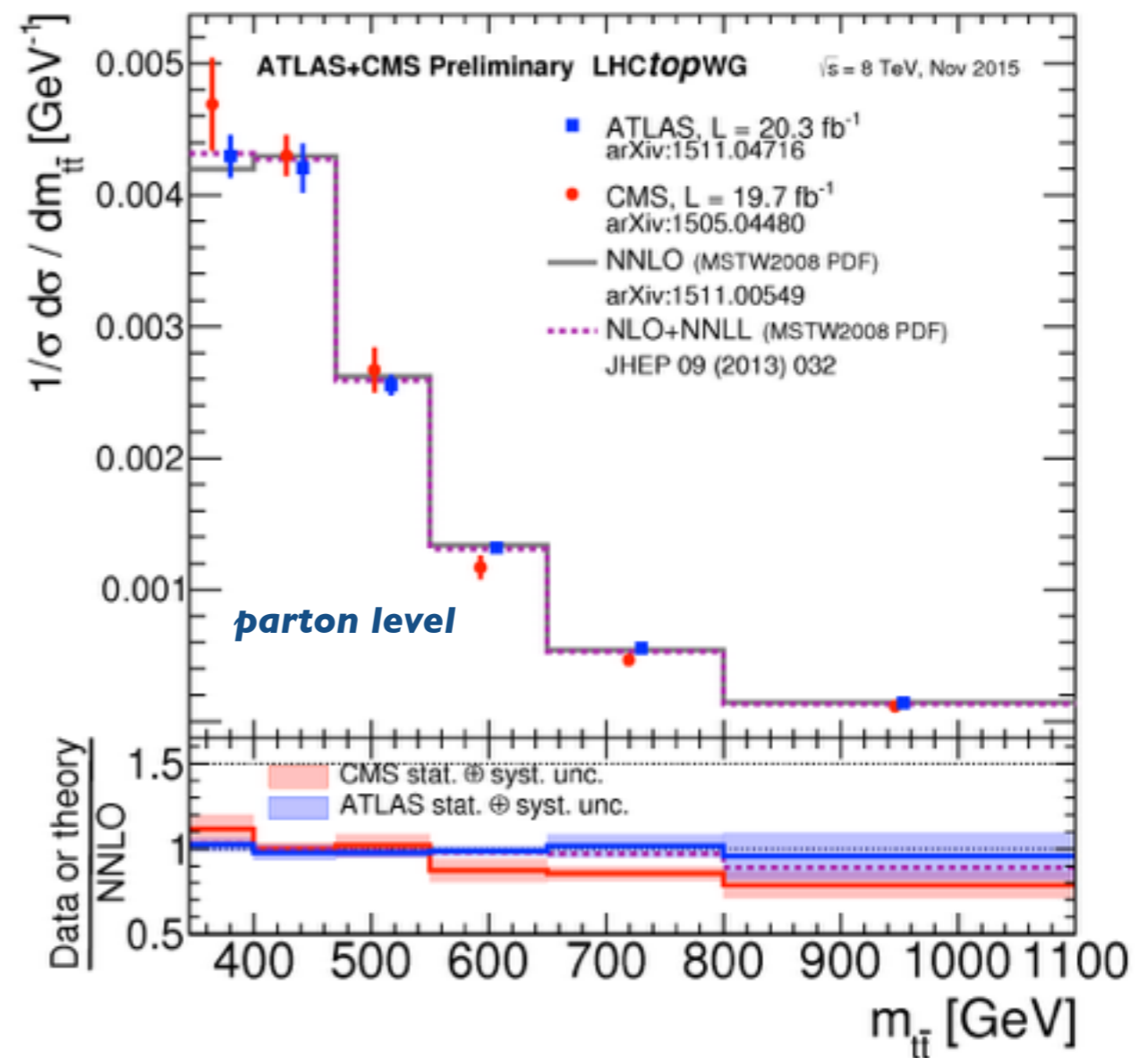
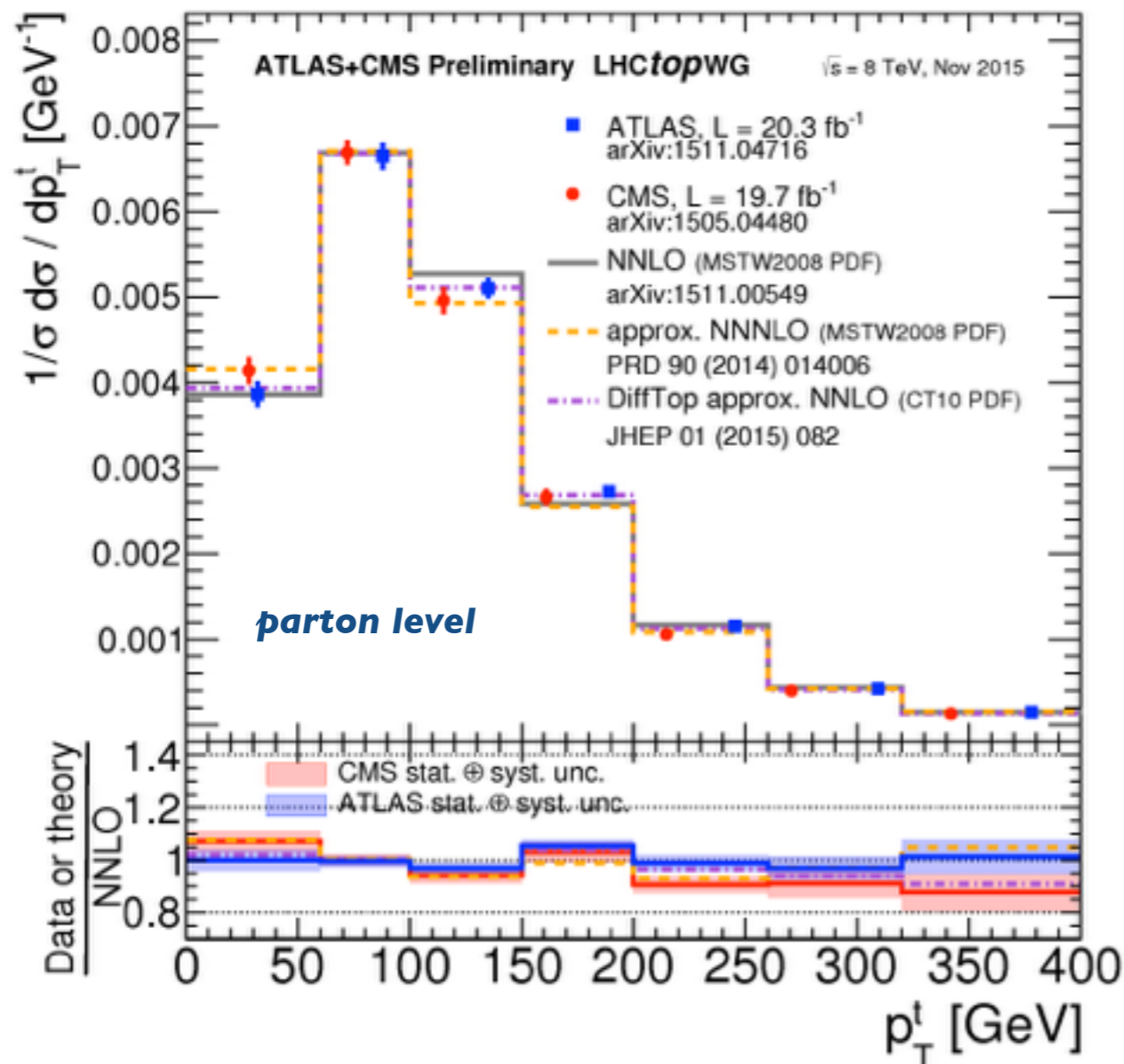
# Probing individual top quark kinematics

- Comparison to fixed-order calculations
  - need to unfold to parton level
  - cancel main systematics by normalizing by  $\sigma(tt)$  (shape only)
- **Top  $p_T$  better described at NNLO** (softer in data with respect to NLO+PS predictions)



## Further comparisons to NNLO at 8 TeV

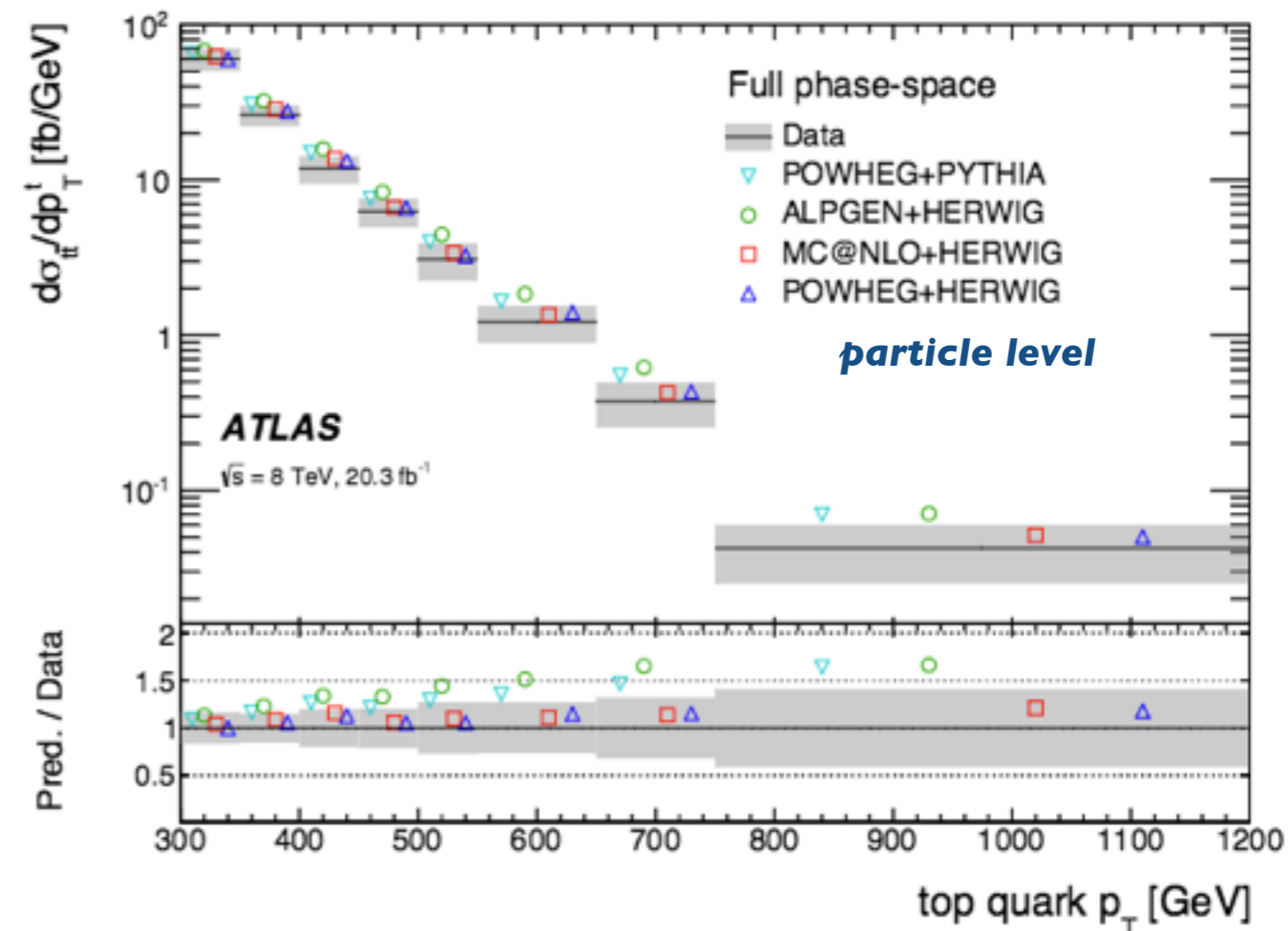
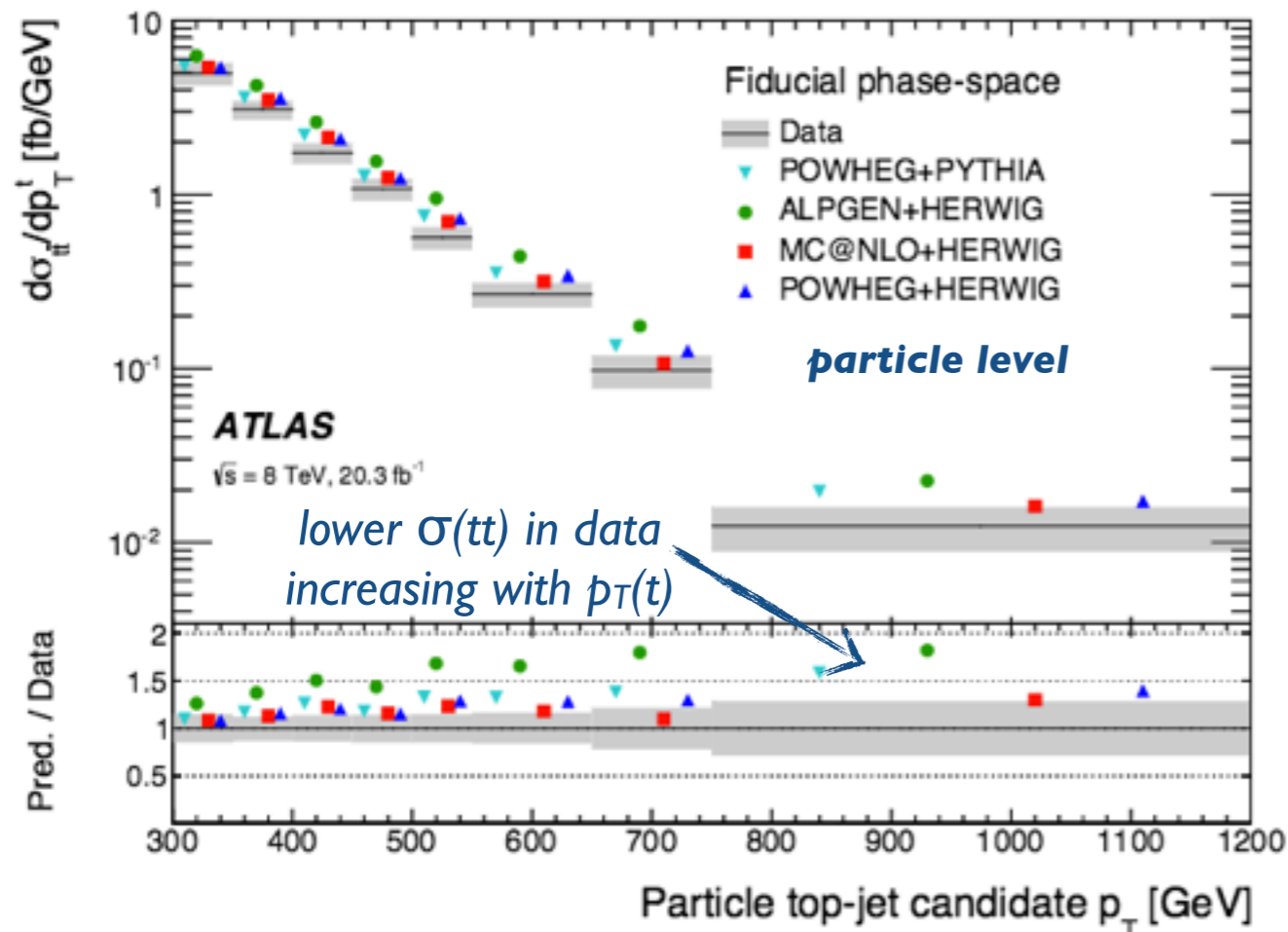
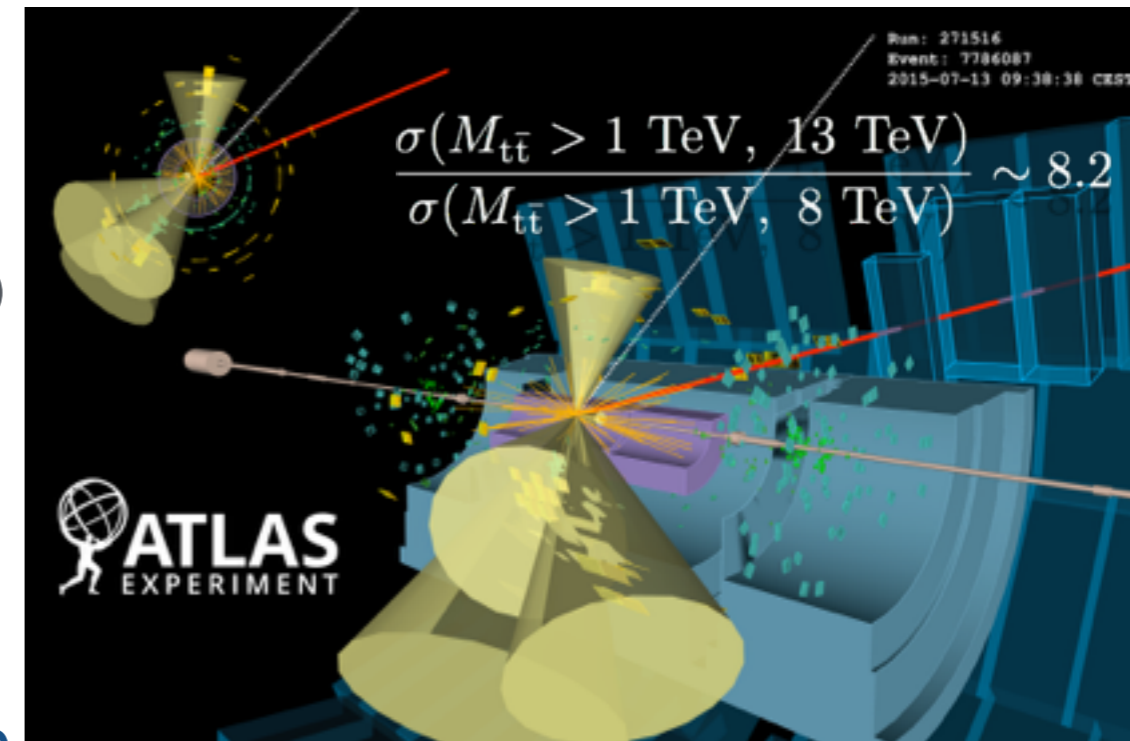
- Legacy Run I results compared to fixed order calculations
  - fair agreement between experiments, CMS tends to observe slightly softer  $p_T(t)$  and  $m(tt)$  (note that bin-to-bin correlations need to be taken into account for a proper  $\chi^2$  evaluation)
  - **overall good agreement with the NNLO predictions** (data is softer than NLO+PS predictions)





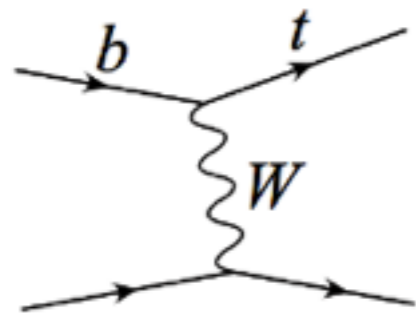
# Probing the boosted top quark regime

- Extension to higher  $p_T/m(tt)$  leads to objects merging
  - lepton isolation in a  $p_T$ -dependent cone  
(remove if overlapping with jet  $\Delta R(\mu, \text{jet}_{R=0.4}) < 0.04 + 10 \text{ GeV}/p_{T,\mu}$ )
  - require 1 small ( $R=0.4$ ) jet close to the lepton  $DR < 1.5$
  - require 1 large jet ( $R=1.0$ ) away from other objects  
( $M_{\text{trimmed}} > 100 \text{ GeV}$ , splitting scale  $> 40 \text{ GeV}$ )
- Largest uncertainties: stats and jet energy scale for  $R=1.0$



# Testing the EW couplings through single top production

Latest results on single top quark production: is  $V_{tb} \approx 1$ ?



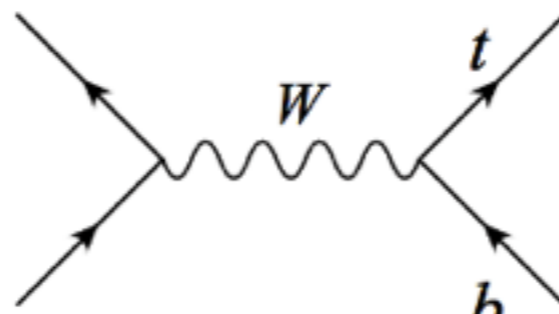
t-channel

$$\sigma(7 \text{ TeV}) = 64 \text{ pb} \pm 4.5\%$$

$$\sigma(8 \text{ TeV}) = 85 \text{ pb} \pm 4.4\%$$

$$\sigma(13 \text{ TeV}) = 217 \text{ pb} \pm 4.1\%$$

$$R_{13/8} = 2.6$$



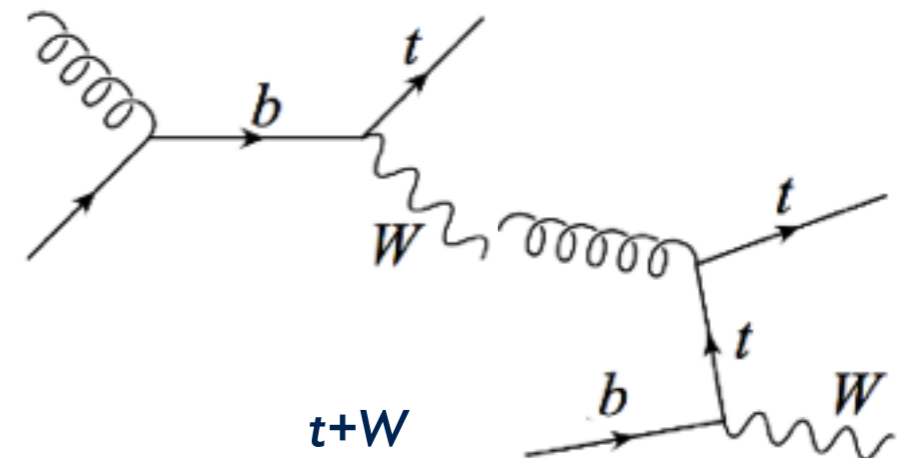
s-channel

$$\sigma(7 \text{ TeV}) = 4.3 \text{ pb} \pm 4.4\%$$

$$\sigma(8 \text{ TeV}) = 5.2 \text{ pb} \pm 4.2\%$$

$$\sigma(13 \text{ TeV}) = 10.3 \text{ pb} \pm 3.9\%$$

$$R_{13/8} = 1.9$$



t+W

$$\sigma(7 \text{ TeV}) = 15.7 \text{ pb} \pm 7.6\%$$

$$\sigma(8 \text{ TeV}) = 22.4 \text{ pb} \pm 6.8\%$$

$$\sigma(13 \text{ TeV}) = 71.7 \text{ pb} \pm 5.3\%$$

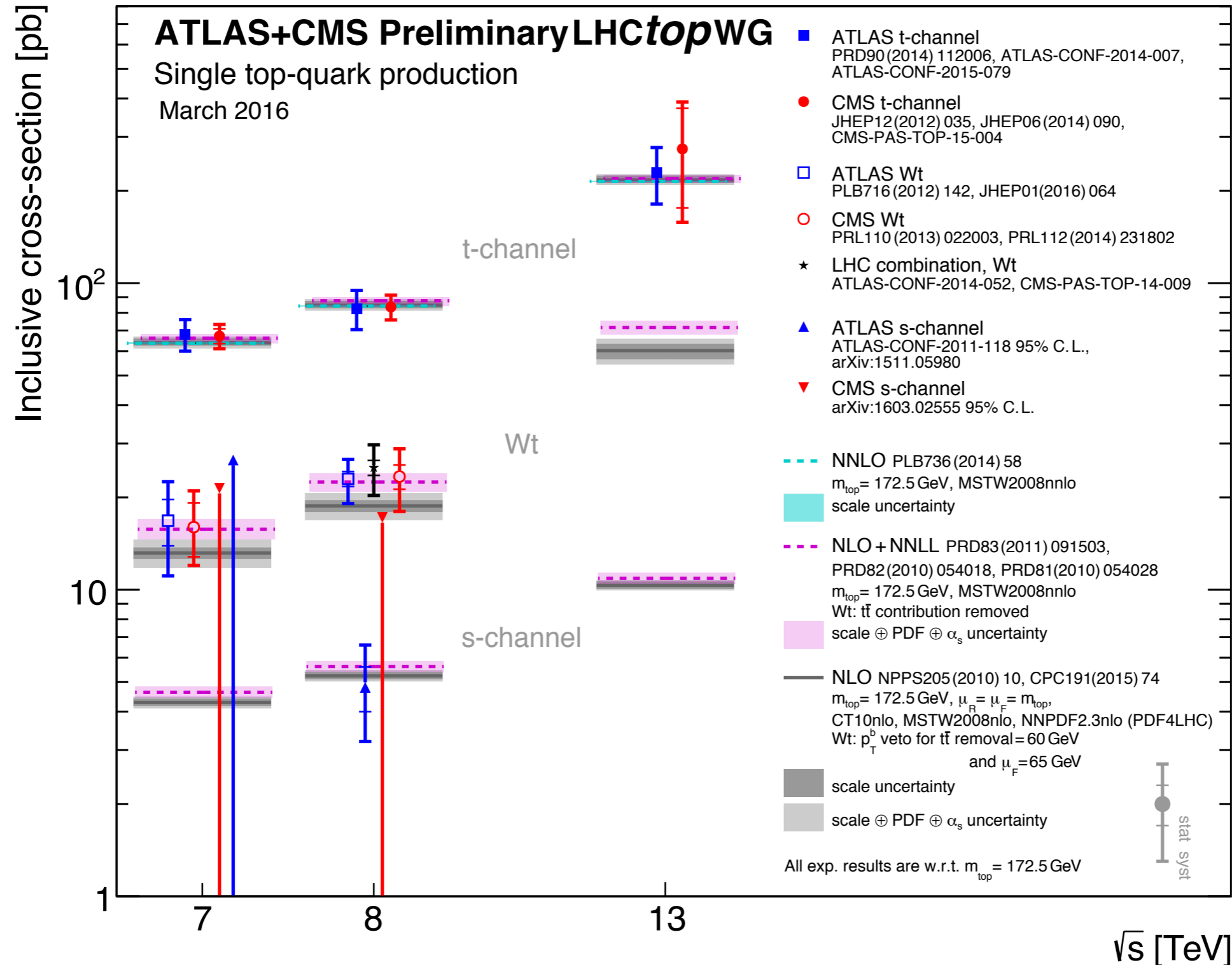
$$R_{13/8} = 3.2$$

NLO predictions ([arXiv:1406.4403](https://arxiv.org/abs/1406.4403), [arXiv:1007.1327](https://arxiv.org/abs/1007.1327))

NLO+NNLL predictions ([arXiv:1311.0283](https://arxiv.org/abs/1311.0283))

# Single top quarks measured in different production modes

- All in agreement with SM predictions: testing directly PDFs and  $V_{tb}$
- t-channel : spans all the energy ranges probed at the LHC

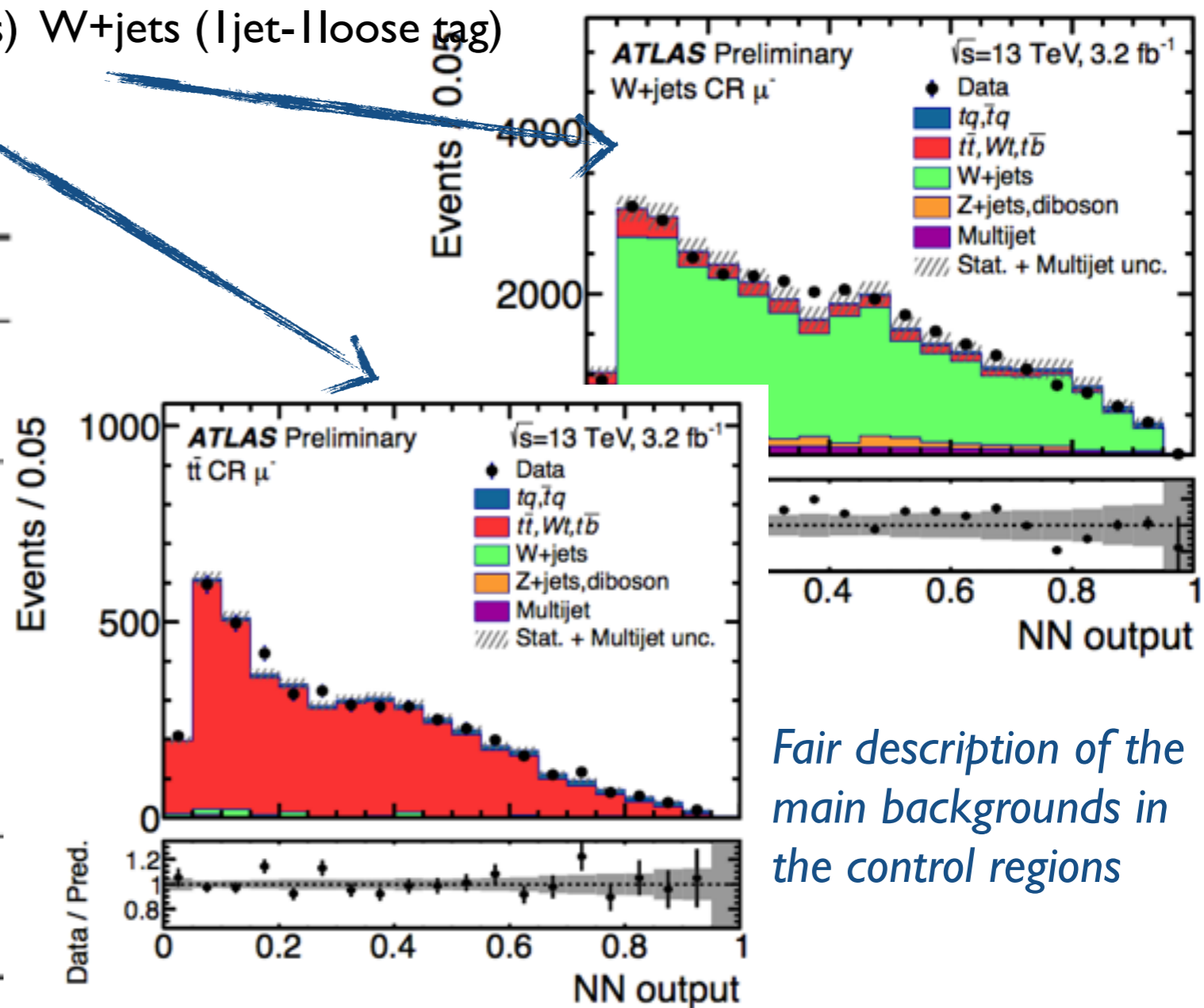


# t-channel cross section measurement at 13 TeV I

ATLAS-CONF-2015/079 see also CMS-PAS-TOP-15-004

- t-channel exchange leads to large angular separation between top and light jet
  - pre-selection dominated by tt/W+jets: |lepton  $m_T(W)$ | > 50 GeV, |b-tagged jet + |jet (| $\eta$ | < 3.5)
  - improve discrimination with a multivariate analysis:  $m_t$ ,  $m_{jb}$ ,  $m_T(W)$ ,  $\eta(j')$  are the most relevant
  - use control regions for tt (3jets-2tags) W+jets (1jet-1loose tag)

Process	$\mu^+$ -channel	$\mu^-$ -channel
$tq$	$2\,200 \pm 47$	$< 1$
$\bar{t}q$	$< 1$	$1\,380 \pm 37$
$t\bar{t}$	$6\,390 \pm 80$	$6\,510 \pm 81$
$Wt$	$818 \pm 29$	$825 \pm 29$
$t\bar{b} + \bar{t}b$	$155 \pm 12$	$105 \pm 10$
W+jets	$5\,330 \pm 73$	$4\,320 \pm 66$
Z+jets/diboson	$781 \pm 28$	$628 \pm 25$
Multijets	$280 \pm 140$	$330 \pm 160$
Total expected	$16\,000 \pm 190$	$14\,100 \pm 200$
Data	16 865	15 110

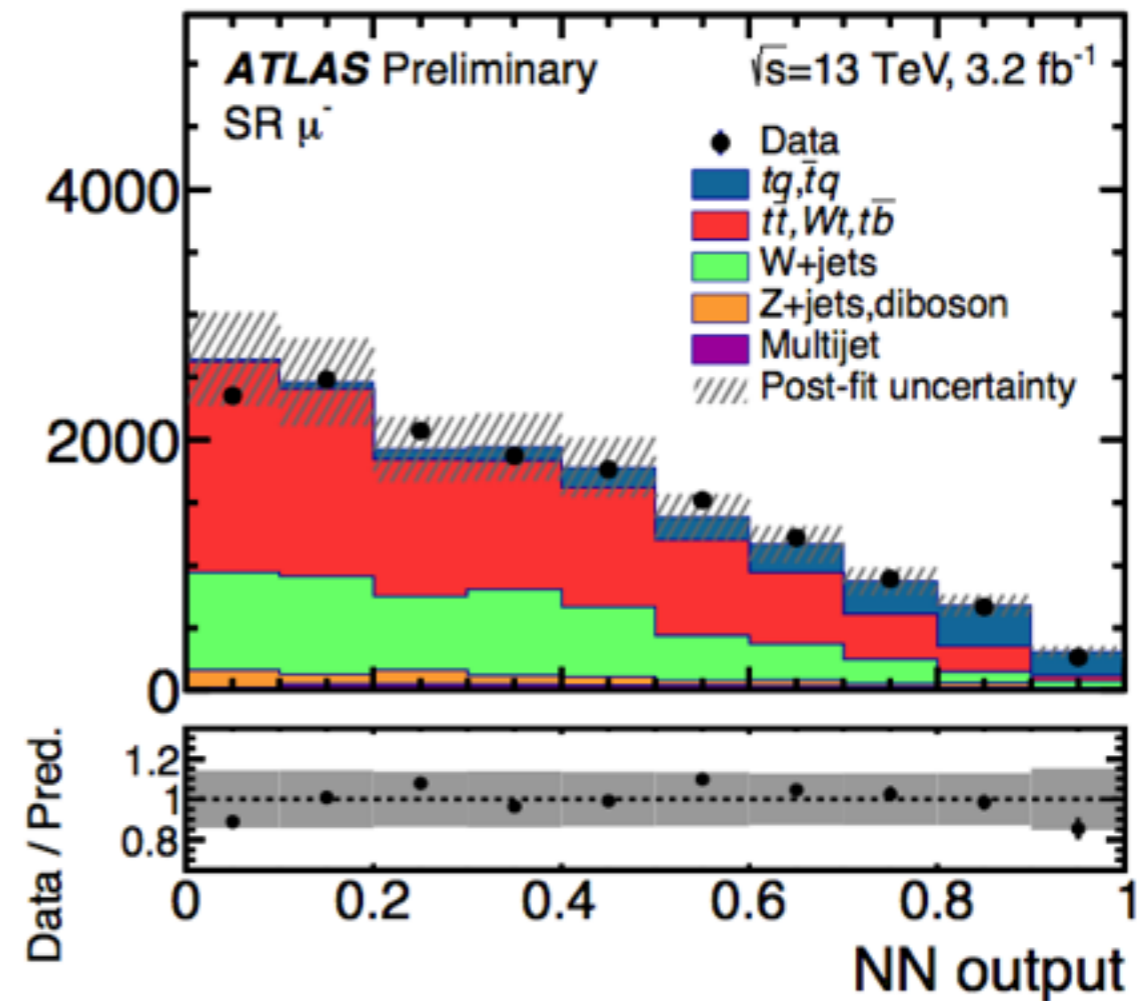
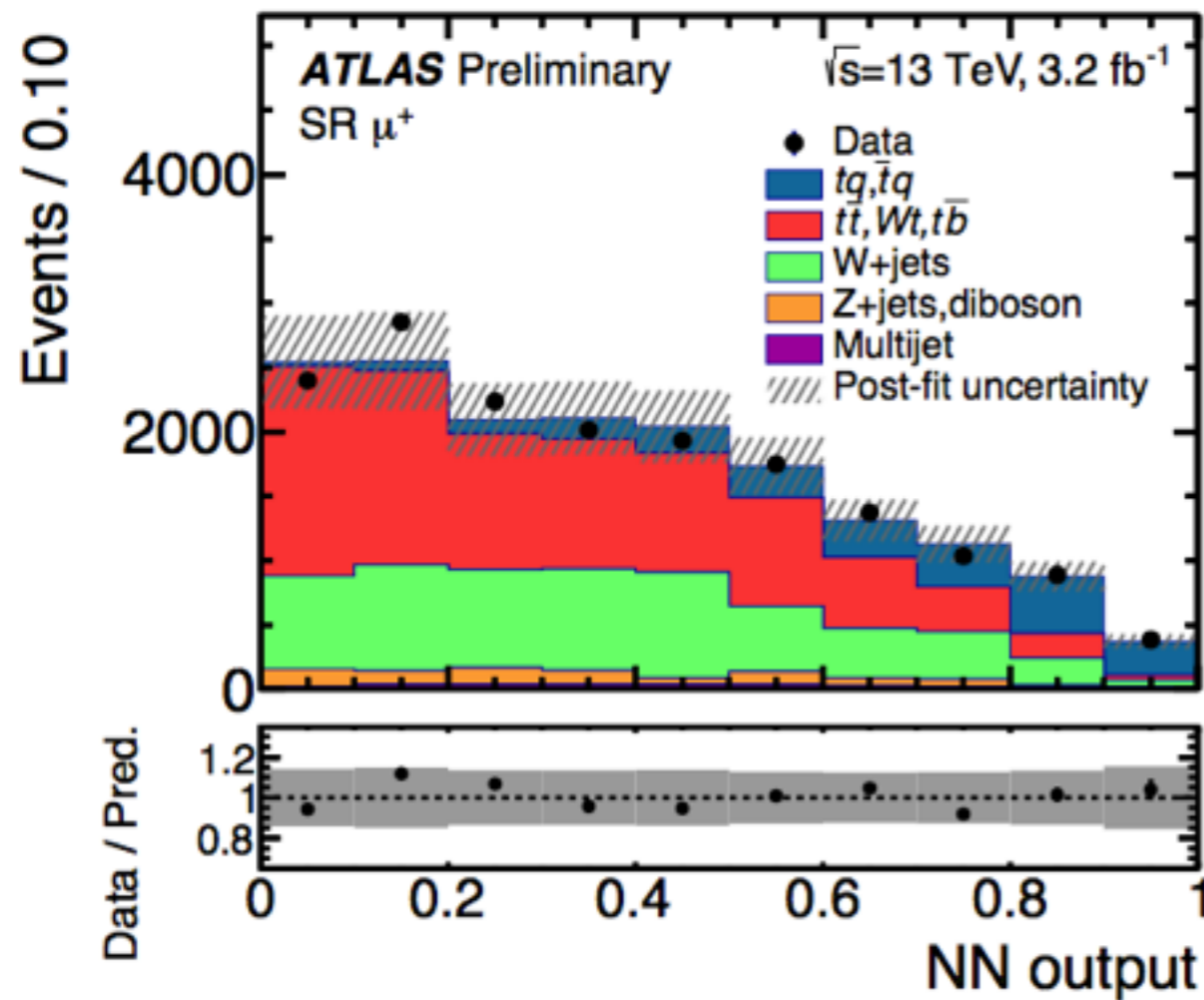


Fair description of the main backgrounds in the control regions



# t-channel cross section measurement at 13 TeV II

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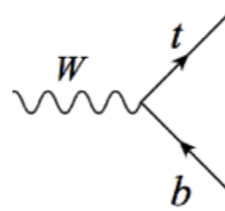
Fit the multivariate discriminator for signal strength  $\beta = \sigma / \sigma_{th}$

- background normalization is left to float constrained
- systematics determined from pseudo-experiments

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma(tq) &= 133 \pm 25 \text{ pb} \\ \sigma(\bar{t}q) &= 96 \pm 24 \text{ pb} \\ \sigma(tq + \bar{t}q) &= 229 \pm 48 \text{ pb} \end{aligned}$$

$\Delta\sigma/\sigma=20\%$

Source	$\Delta\sigma_{t(t)}/\sigma$ (%)
Statistics	5 (5)
Luminosity	5 (5)
MC statistics	6 (6)
Jet/MET	8 (6)
b-tagging	7 (8)
single top model (t/tW,s)	13 (18)



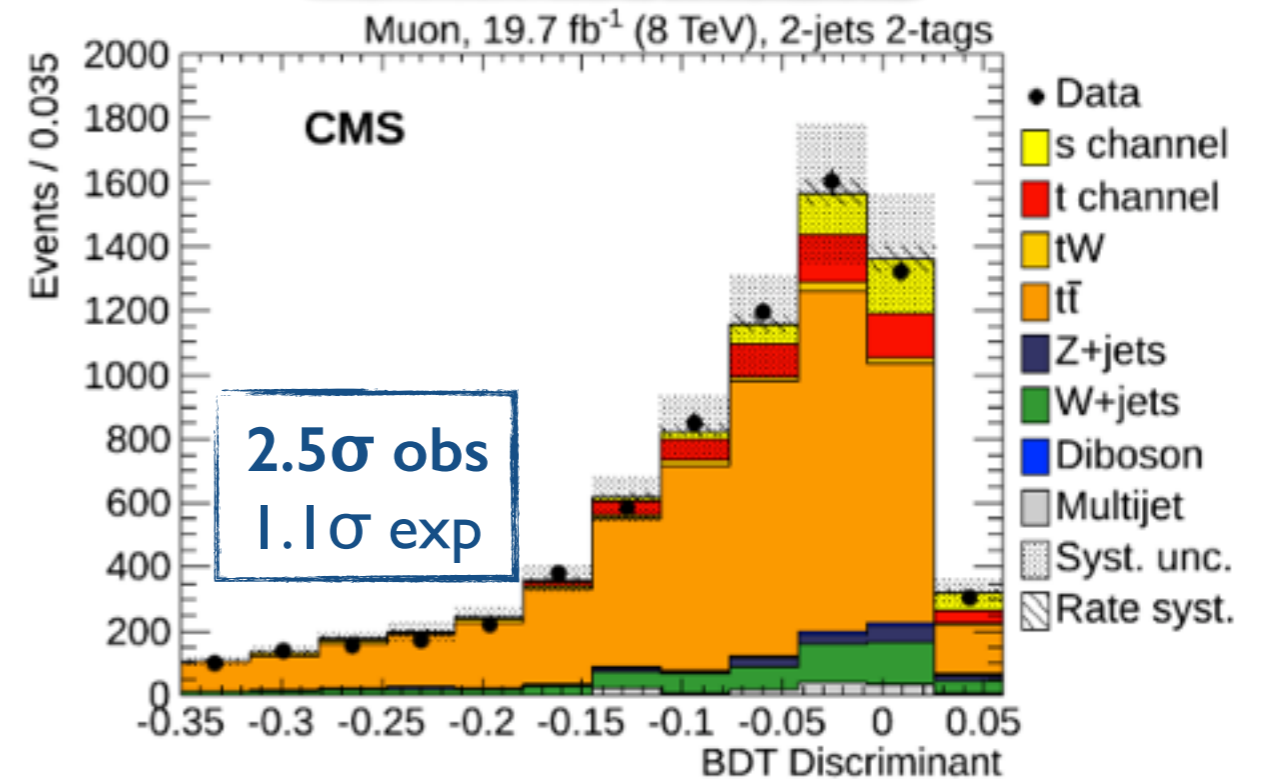
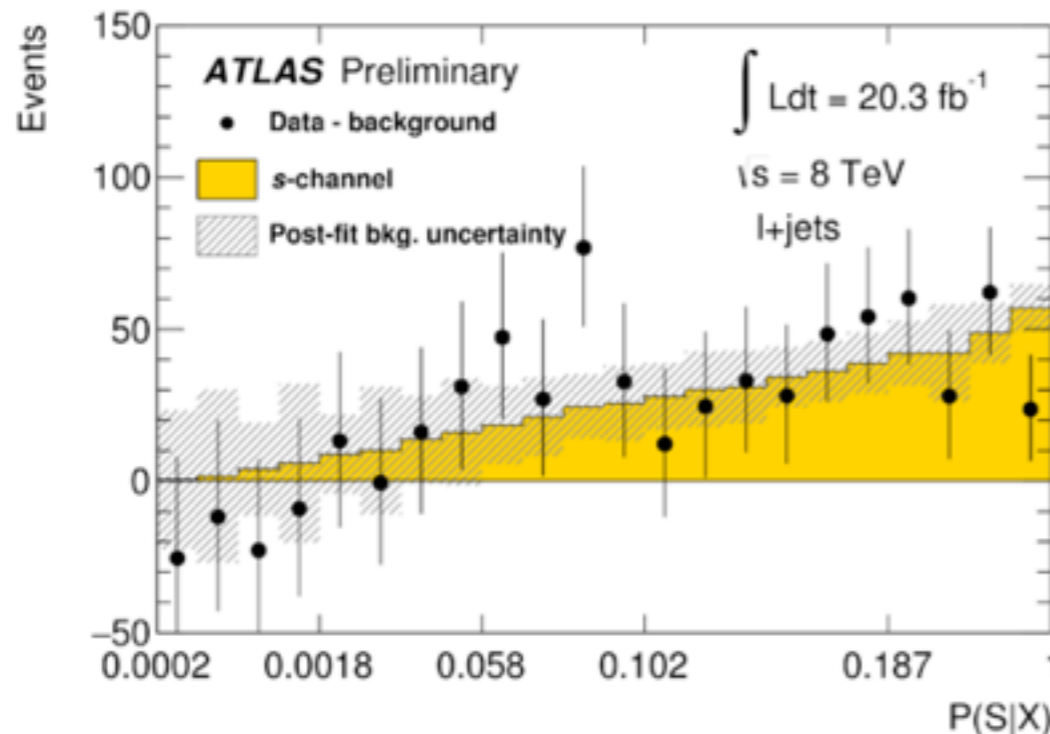
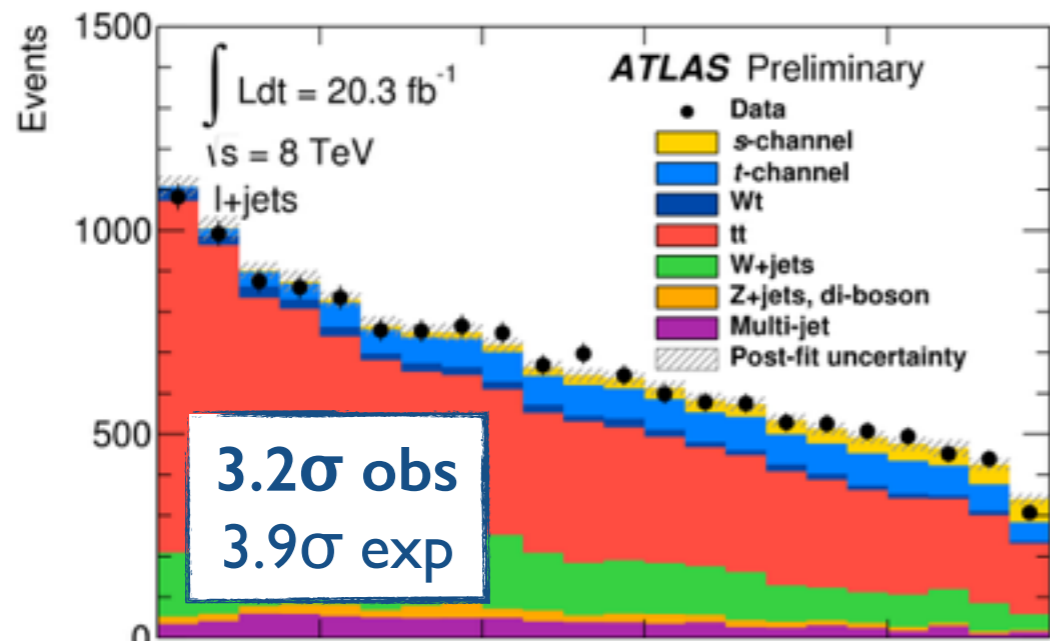
- Rare in pp collisions - grows much slower with  $s^{1/2}$  than other top production modes
- Use multivariate discriminator (CMS) or matrix element approach (ATLAS) to discriminate signal

$$\sigma_s = 4.8 \pm 0.8(\text{stat})^{+1.6}_{-1.3}(\text{syst}) \text{ pb}$$

$$\Delta\sigma/\sigma=37\%$$

$$\sigma_s = 13.4 \pm 7.3_{\text{total}} \text{ pb}$$

$$\Delta\sigma/\sigma=54\%$$

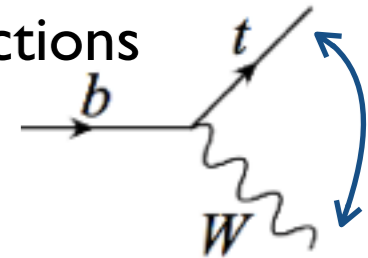


Source	$\Delta\sigma/\sigma$ (%)	
	ATLAS	CMS
Statistics	12	11
Luminosity	5	6
MC statistics	12	-
Jet/MET	13	19
b-tagging	8	16
Backgrounds	8	19
tt/single top (t,s) models	13	33

# Associated t+W production

- Process can't be isolated beyond NLO

- competing with no-resonant (WWbb/WWb), and double resonant (tt) productions



- Explore cleanest final state leading to 2 leptons,  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$ , 1 b-jet

- at LO top recoils against a W boson ( $p_T^{\text{system}} \rightarrow 0$ ), harder lepton  $p_T$  spectrum from  $W \rightarrow \ell\nu$

- combine different variables in a multivariate discriminator optimised depending on #jets #b-jets

$$\sigma_{tW} = 23.0 \pm 1.3_{\text{stat}} \begin{matrix} +3.2 \\ -3.5_{\text{syst}} \end{matrix} \pm 1.1_{\text{lumi}} \text{ pb}$$

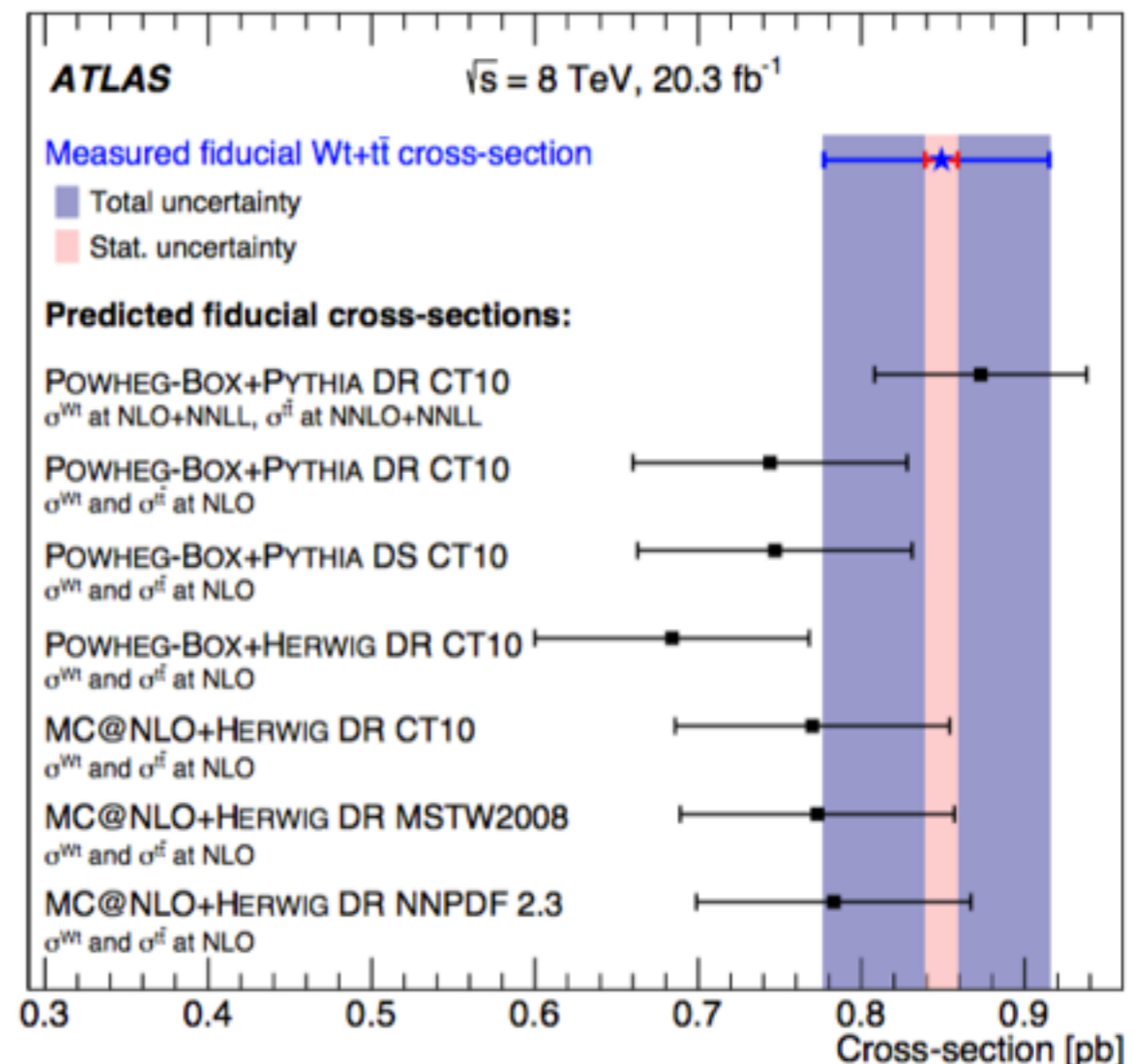
$\Delta\sigma/\sigma=16\%$

- Explore fiducial phase space for combined tt+tW

$$\sigma_{t\bar{t}+tW}^{\text{fid}} = 0.85 \pm 0.01_{\text{stat}} \begin{matrix} +0.06 \\ -0.07_{\text{syst}} \end{matrix} \pm 0.03_{\text{lumi}} \text{ pb}$$

$\Delta\sigma/\sigma=8.5\%$

Source	Impact on $\sigma$ (%)	
	inclusive	fiducial
Statistics	5.8	1
Luminosity	4.7	3.1
Theory modelling	9.9	4.9
Jet/MET	10.9	5.2
b-tagging	3	2.3
Lepton efficiencies	1	2.3





# From signal strengths to EW coupling

- The CKM matrix elements  $V_{tq}$  enter in production and decay vertices

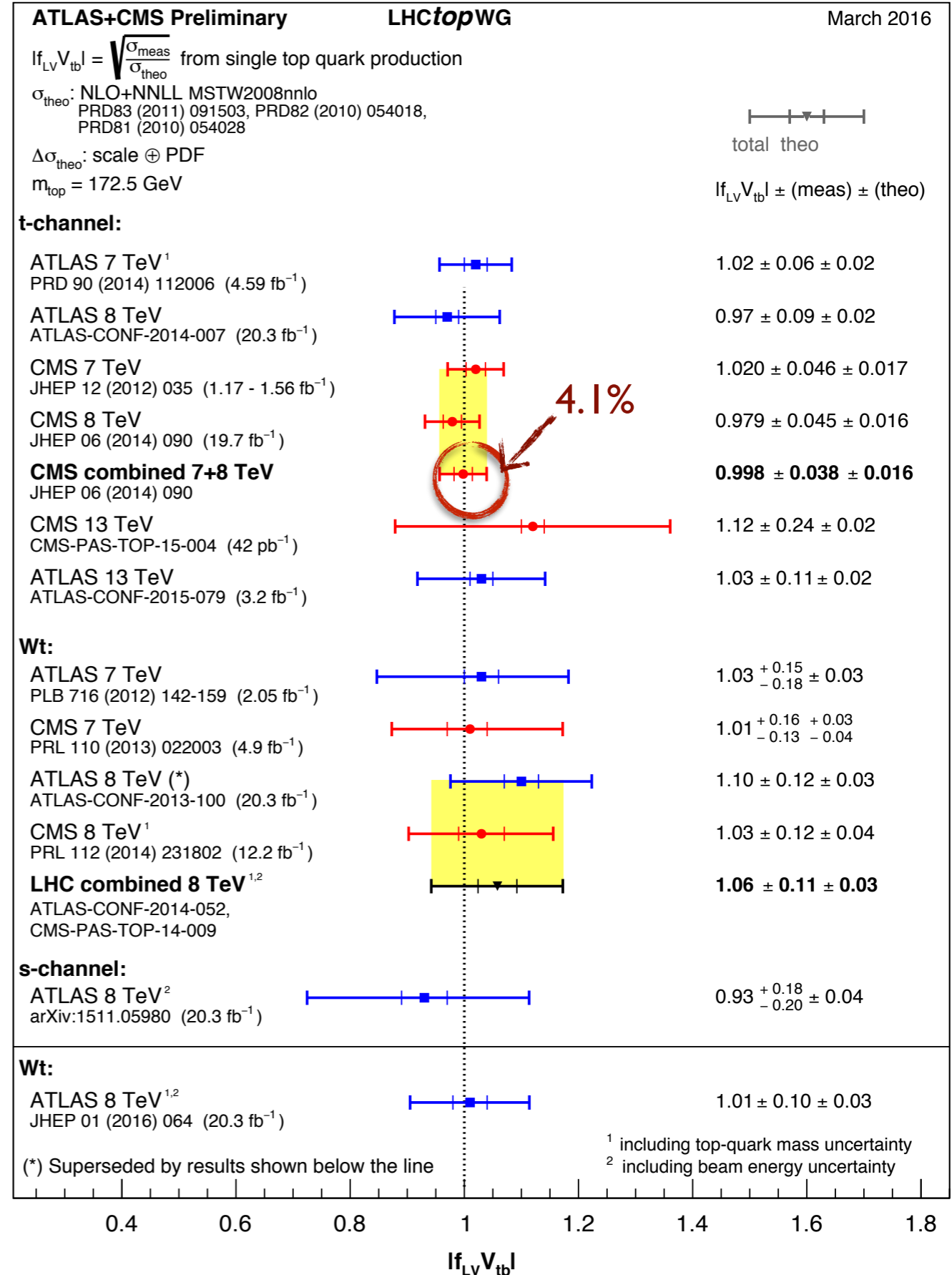
$$\sigma(tj + \bar{t}j) = \sum_{q=b,d,s} \alpha_{tq} \cdot |V_{tq}|^2 \cdot \mathcal{B}(t \rightarrow Wq)$$

- approximate assuming  $|V_{tb}| \gg V_{tq}$  and full left-handed decays to  $Wb$

- Expect to improve slowly

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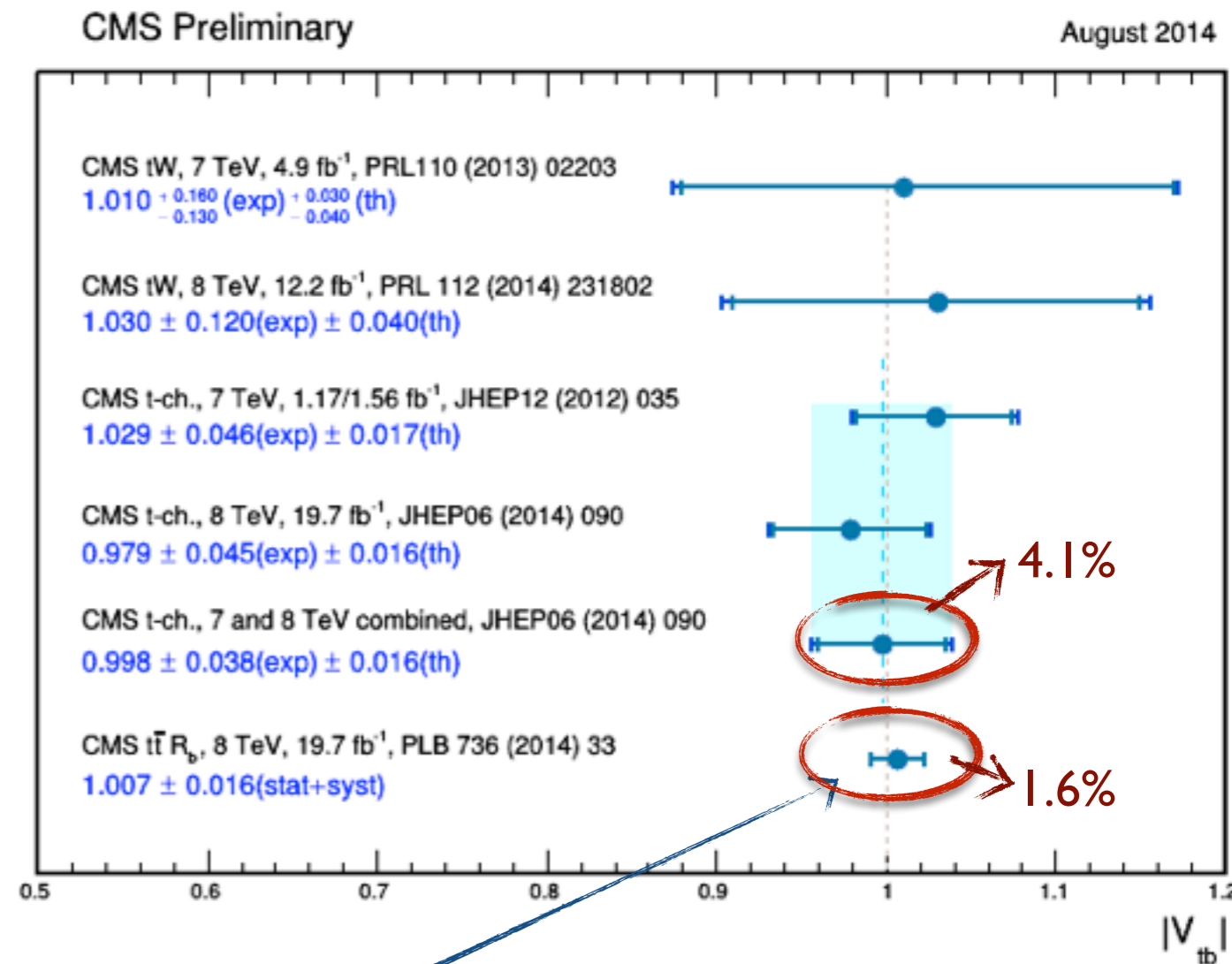
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- Complemented by direct measurement of  $\mathcal{B}(t \rightarrow Wb)$  in  $t\bar{t}$  decays assuming CKM unitarity and no sequential quark generation

- limited by b-tagging efficiency (2% in Run I)

$$\frac{\Delta V_{tb}}{V_{tb}} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\Delta \epsilon_b}{\epsilon_b}$$

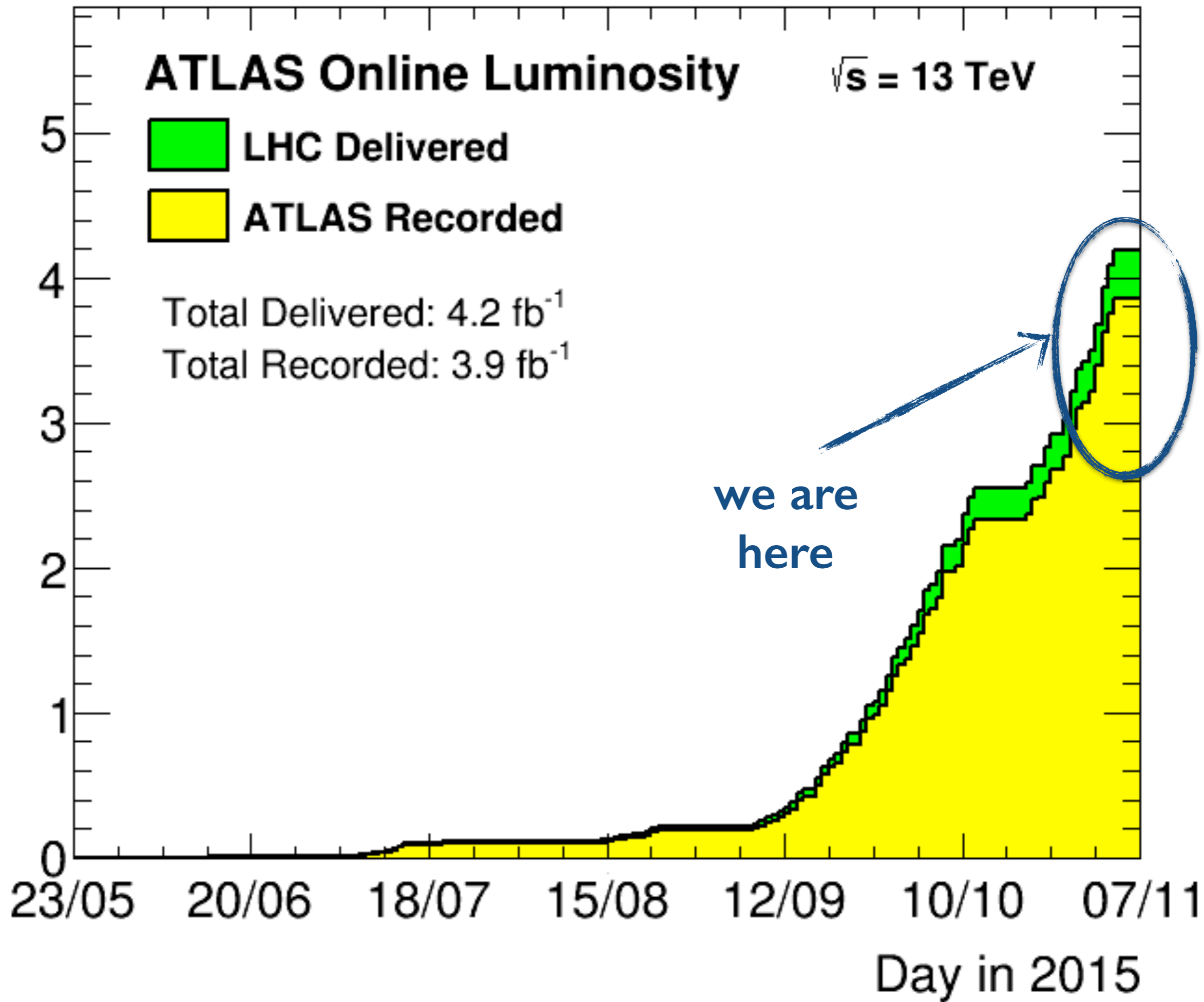


more on Top Properties at the LHC in E. Monnier's talk

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# Conclusions and outlook

Total Integrated Luminosity [ $\text{fb}^{-1}$ ]



# LHC Run 2 expected luminosity

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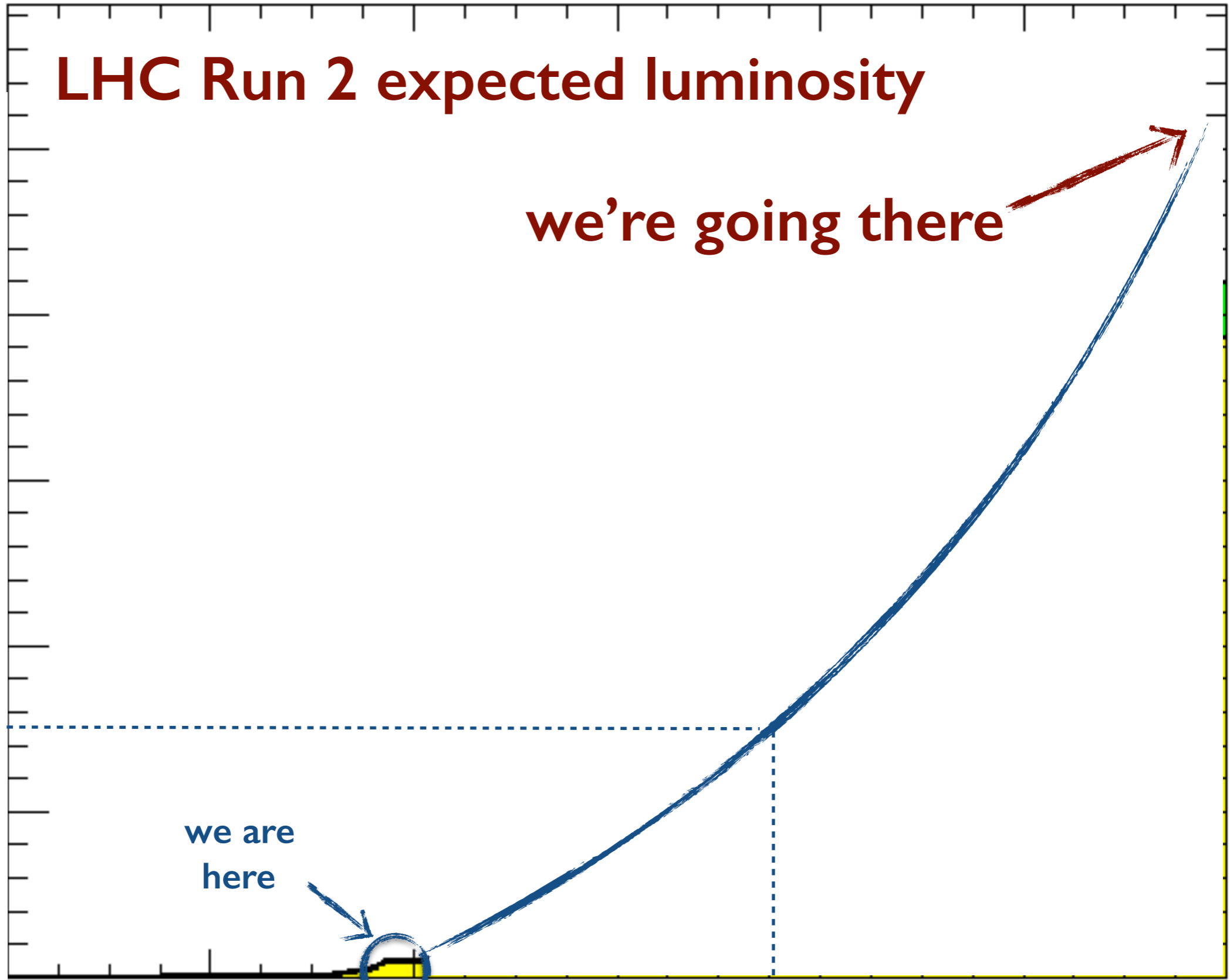
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**Top quark  
Physics will hardly  
look the same again**

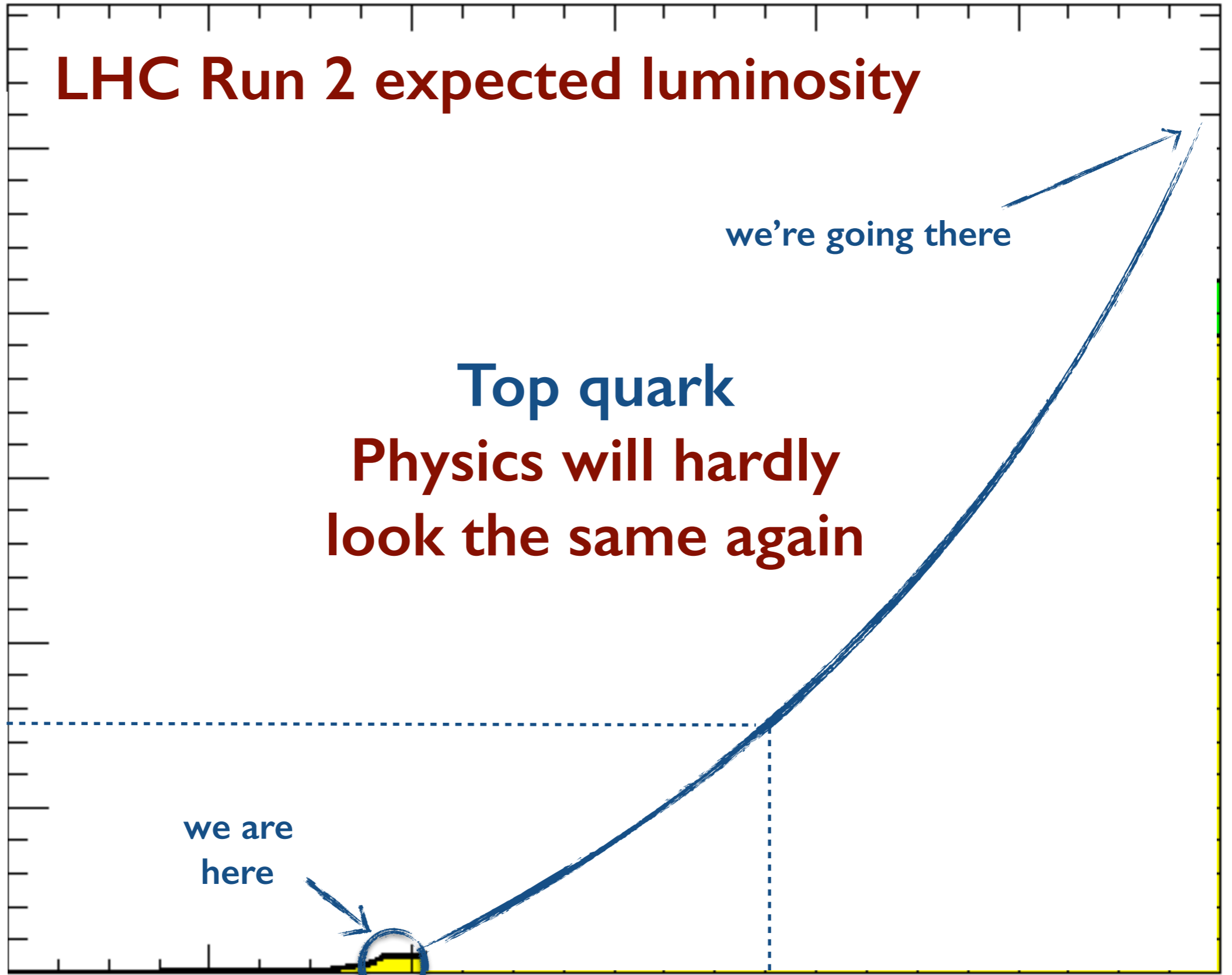
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- **Latest top production results are showing overall good agreement with SM**
  - NLO+PS is in common usage by experiments
  - evidence that needs further tuning aiming to great measurements in Run II
  - comparison to fixed-order computations possible : good agreement with NNLO
  - nota bene : relying so far on MC-based models, be careful for BSM-like re-interpretations
  - probing further single top production in Run II will require further (this year's) statistics
- **Re-interpretation of the production cross-sections for:**
  - precise determination of fundamental parameters:  $m_t$ ,  $\alpha_s$ , EW couplings of the top quark
  - constraining further PDFs
  - search for new physics

**To erode the systematics wall in Run II work is required  
from both experiment and theory communities**

# Backup

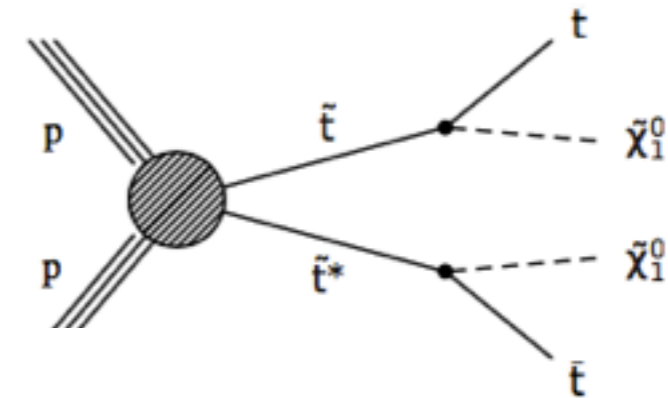
## Limits on compressed SUSY spectra

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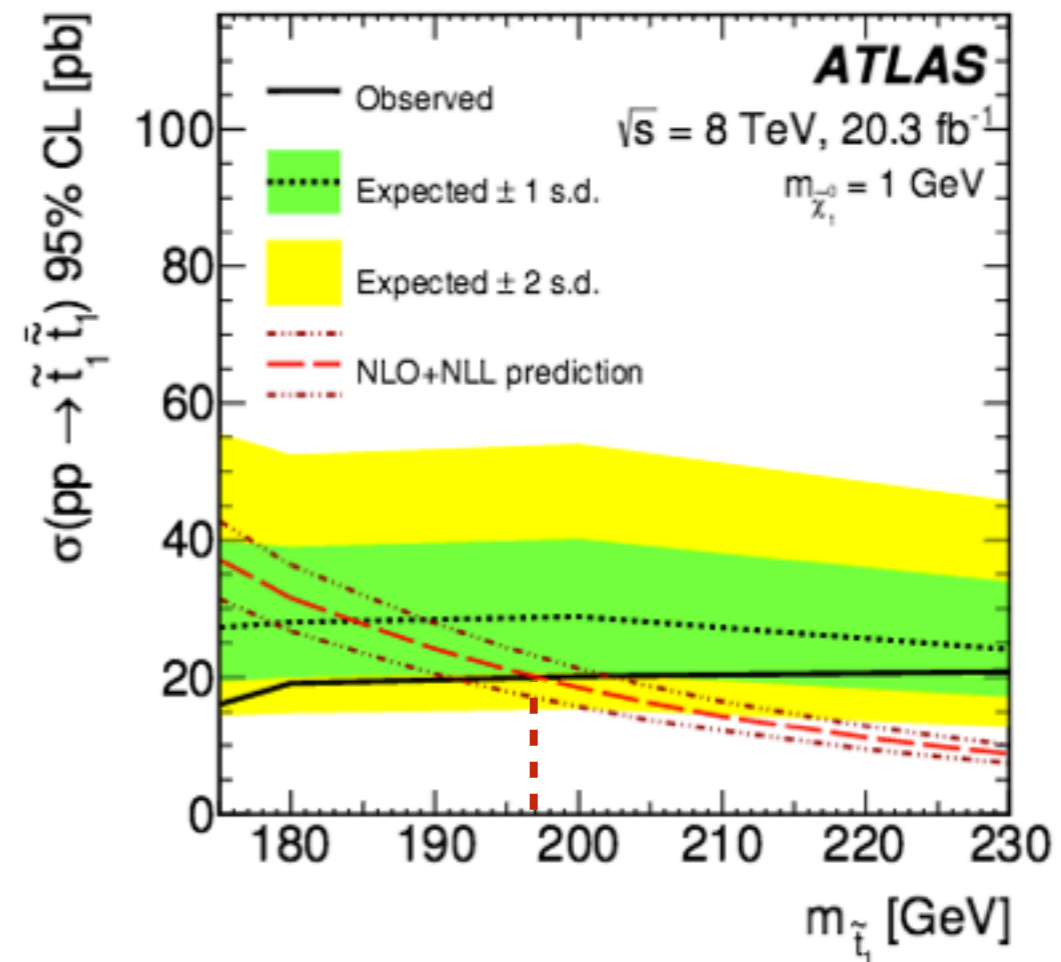
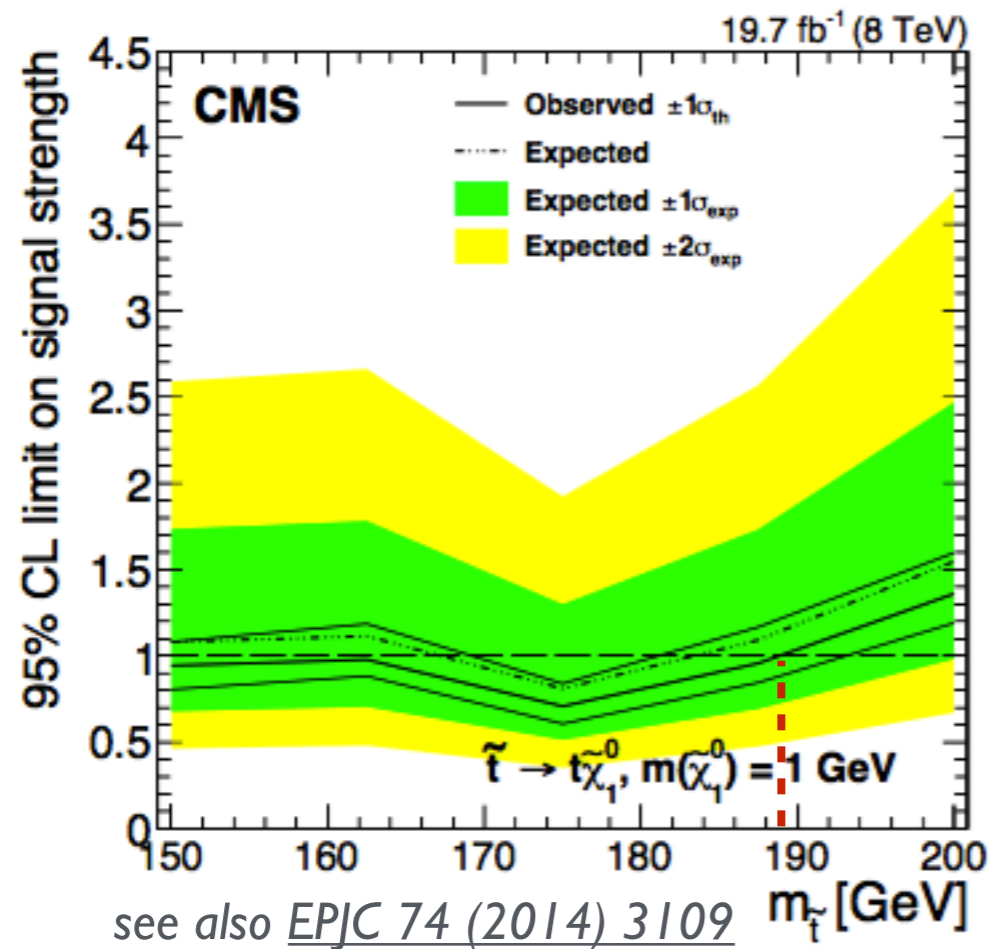
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- Complement direct stop production with precision
  - compressed SUSY spectra mimicking  $tt$



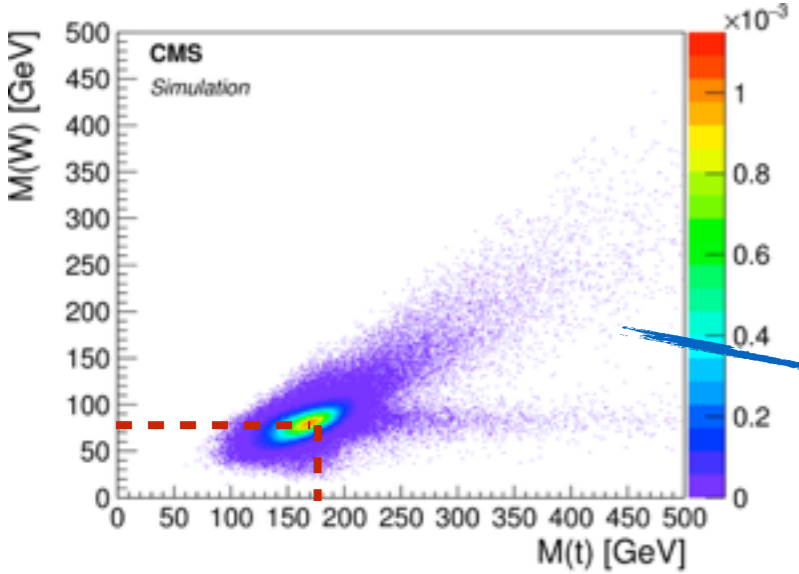
using rate information

using shape information -  $\Delta\phi(\ell, \ell')$ 

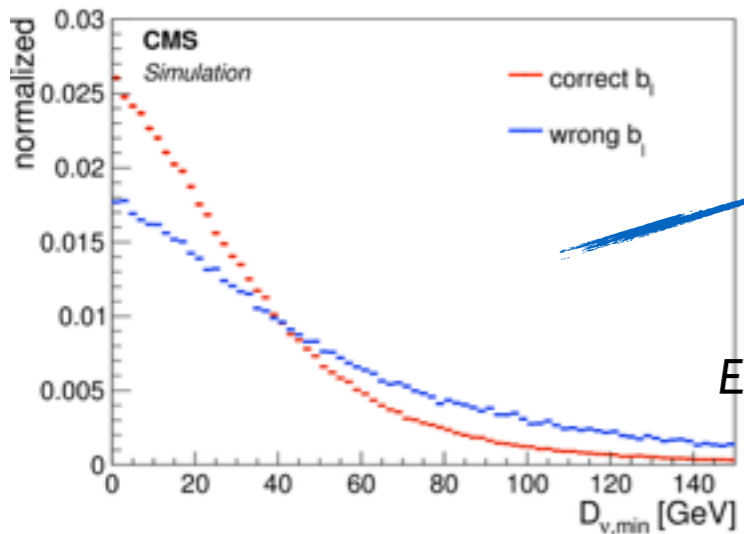
- Expect further improvements if top mass or polarisation information is used
  - benefit from “infinite” Run 2 statistics to probe new physics in top sector



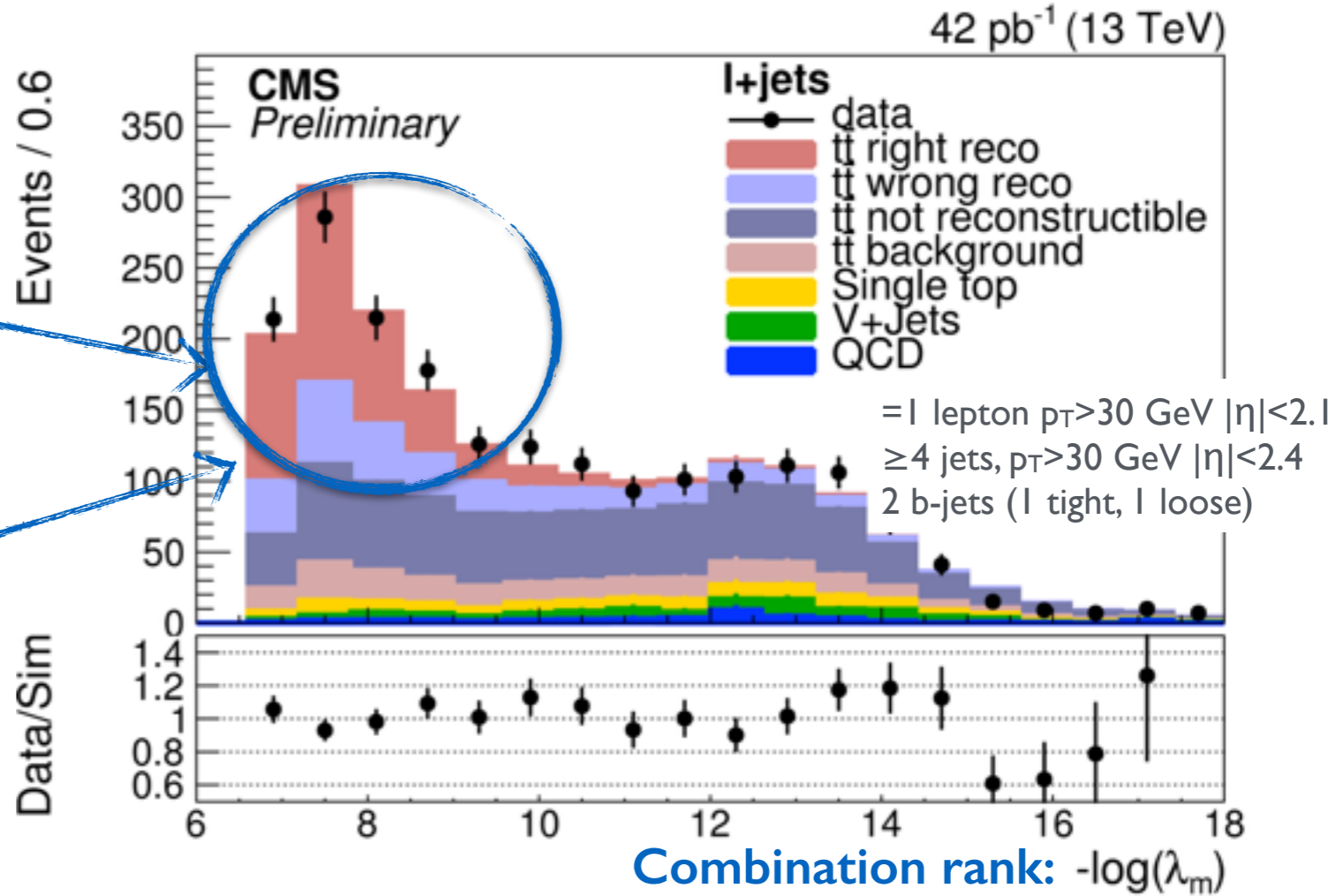
- Different algorithms can be employed to reconstruct the top kinematics
  - missing degrees of freedom (neutrinos), completed imposing mass constraints
  - pair objects by giving preference to b-tagged jets and using  $m_W, m_T, E_T^{miss}$  constraints
  - minimize combinatorial misassignments from simulated expectations
- Nota bene: normally, **underlying hypotheses** used in reconstruction are **SM tt-oriented**

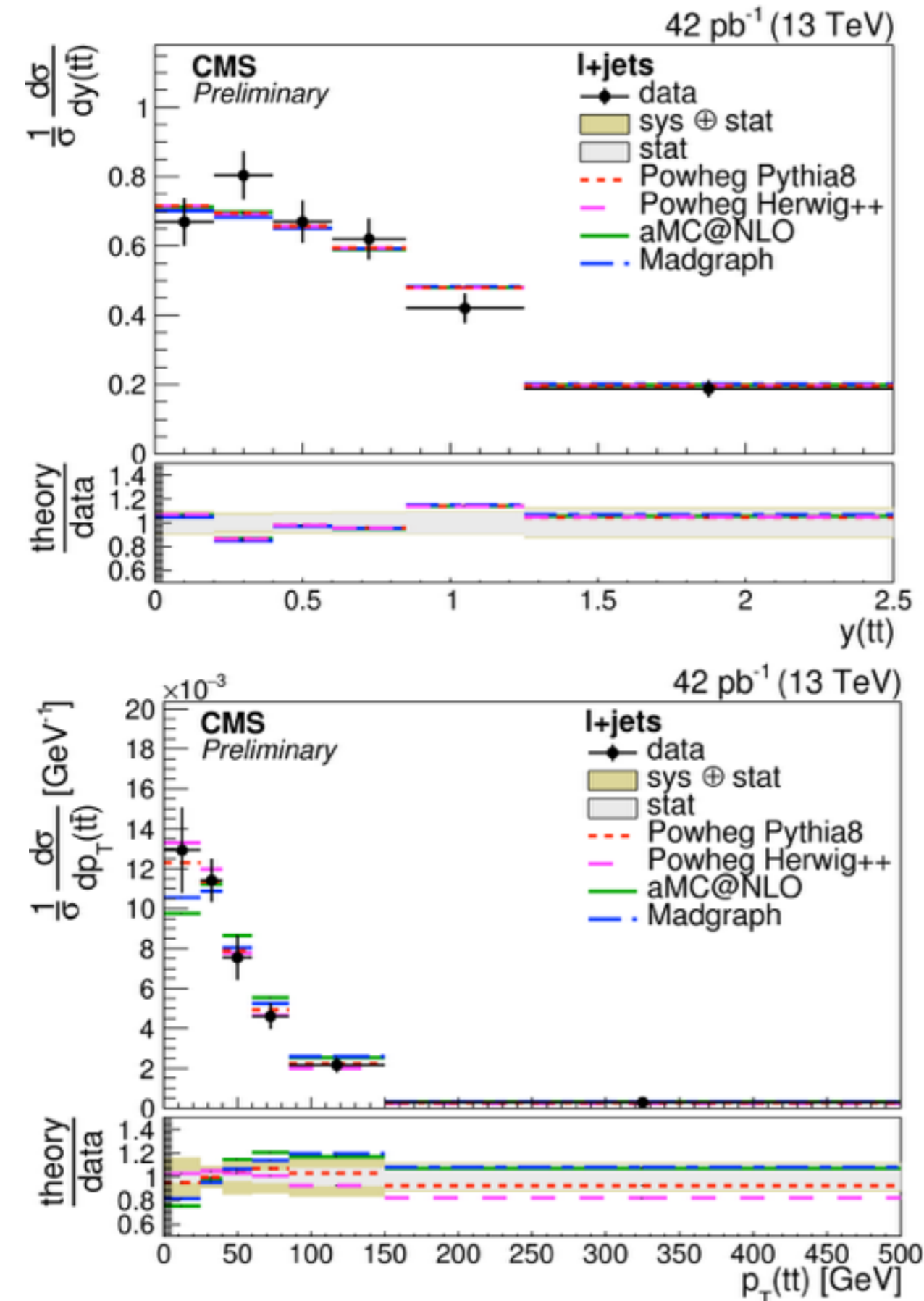


maximize  $(m_t, m_W)$



minimize neutrino solution with respect to  $E_T^{miss}$  measurement



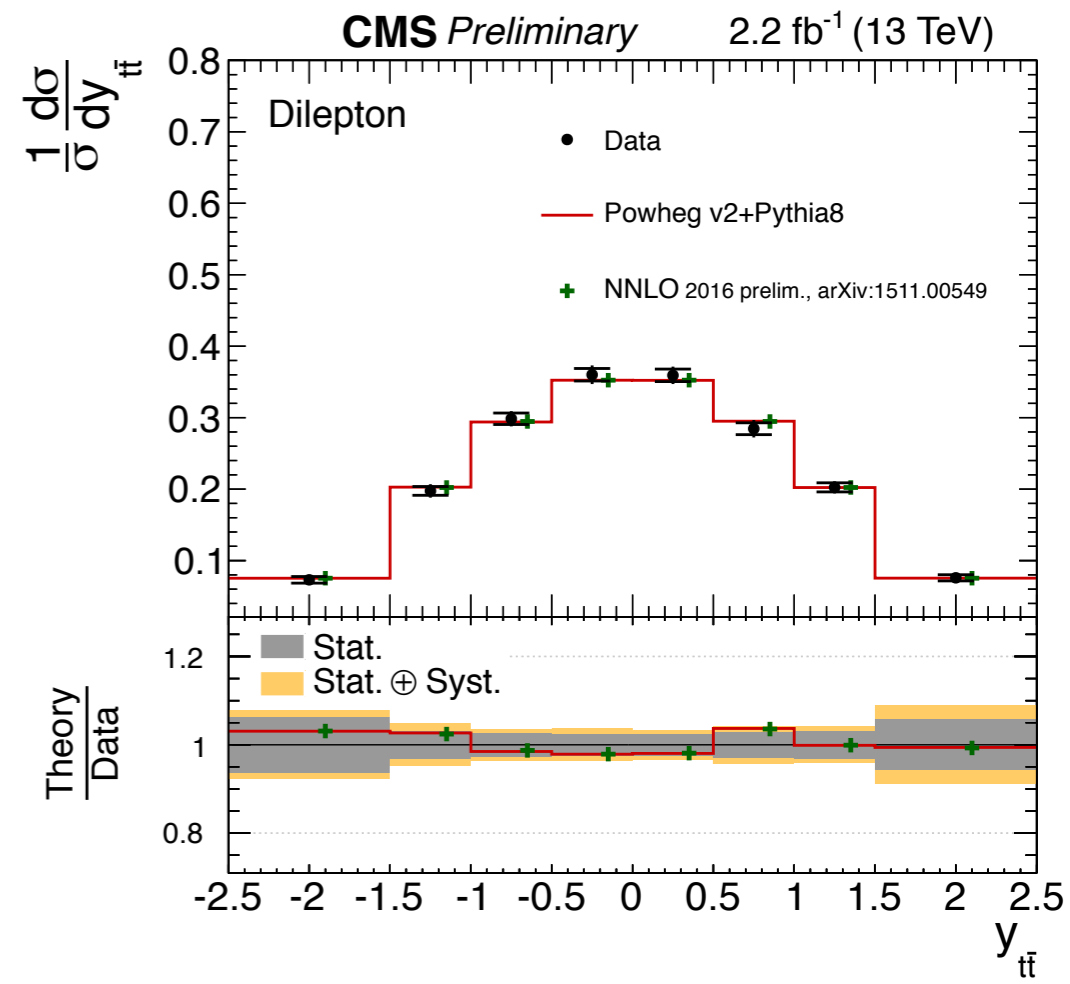
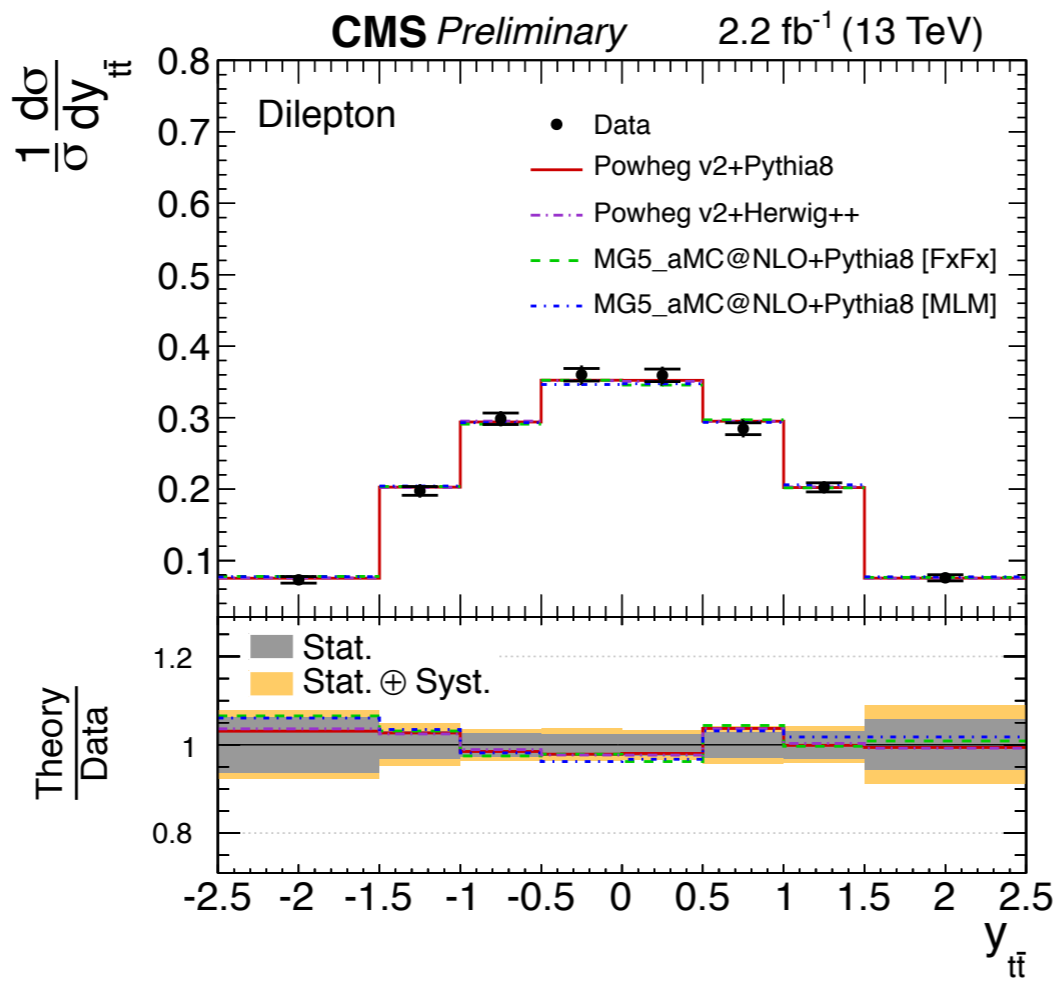
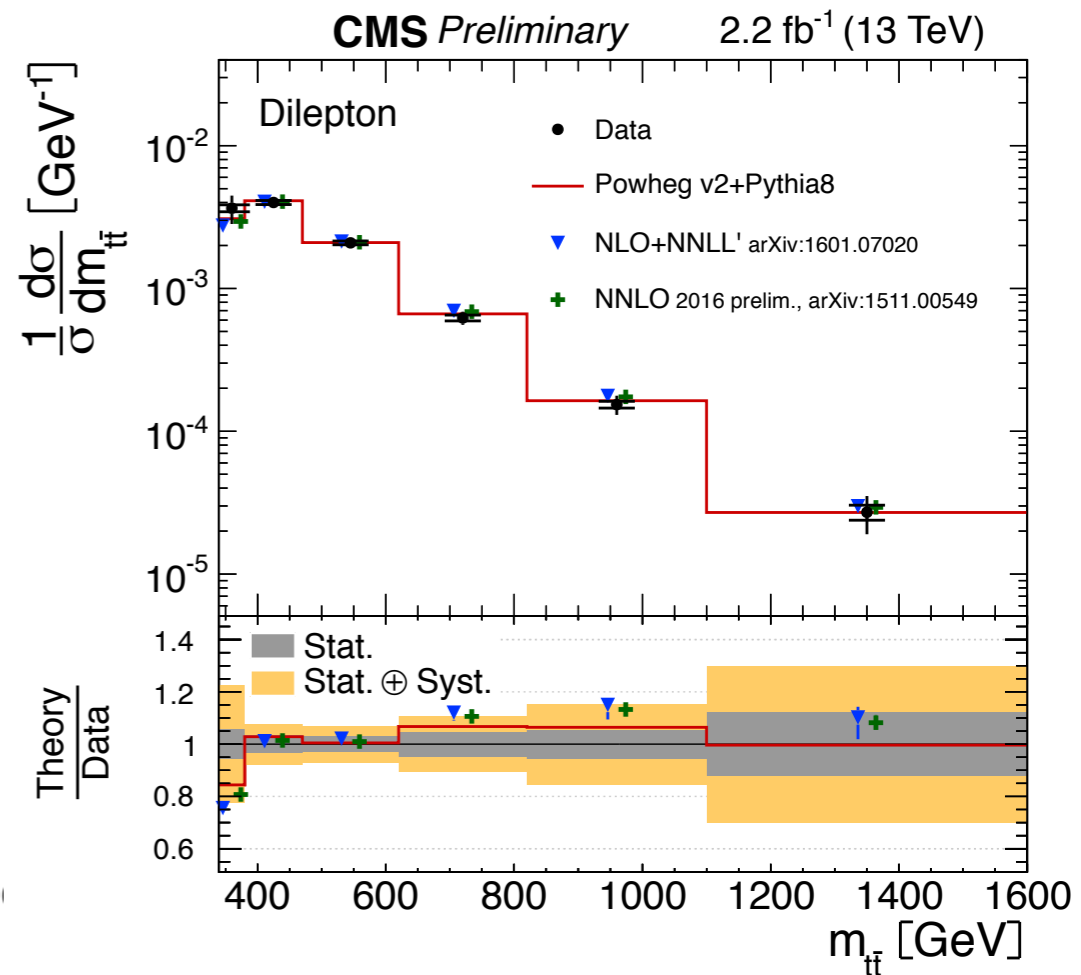
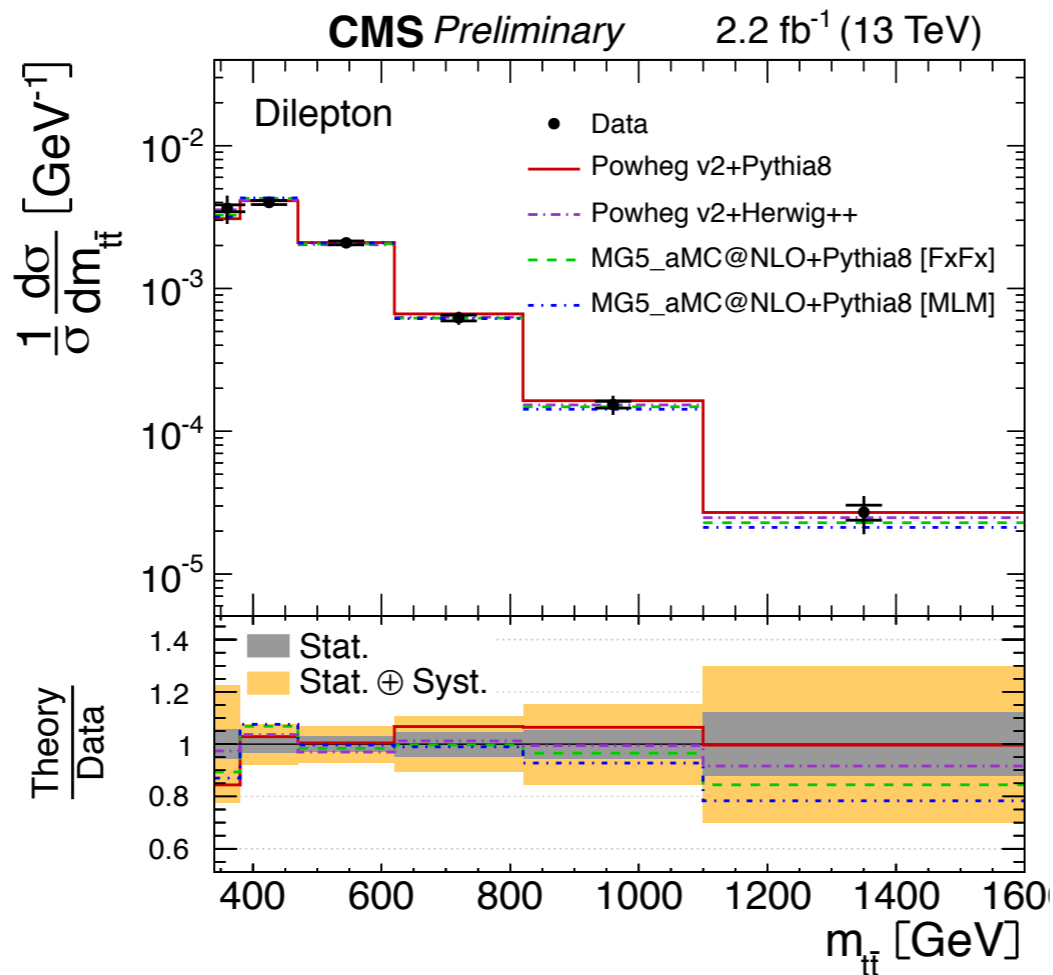


- **Semileptonic final states used**
  - at least 4 jets  $p_T > 25$  GeV (at least 1 b-tagged)
  - 1 b-jet and 1 light jet with  $p_T > 35$  GeV
  - require minimum reconstruction quality
- **Background are estimated from simulation**
  - used to subtract data before unfolding
- Fair agreement between data and nominal MC
  - **rate and shapes fairly well described**
- **Non-negligible interplay between PS and ME**
  - currently one of the limiting uncertainties
  - dependency increases for parton level extrapolation
  - can limit uncertainty up to 25% in  $p_T(t)$ ,  $p_T(tt)$ ,  $M(tt)$

- **approx. NNLO - DiffTop, S.Moch et al**
  - the uncertainty is the full theory uncertainty, obtained by adding in quadrature PDF and  $\alpha_s$  uncertainties
  - scale uncertainty (simultaneous variation of ren. and fact. scales by factors 2 and 0.5; the scale is set to  $m_t = 172.5$  GeV)
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- **NLO+NNLL' , B.Pecjak et al.**
  - the uncertainty is only the scale uncert, where the factorization scale  $\mu_F$  is:
  - for  $p_T(\text{top})$ :  $\mu_F = m_T = \sqrt{m_t^2 + p_T(\text{top})^2}$ , and it is varied by factors 2 and 0.5
  - for  $m(\text{ttbar})$ :  $\mu_F = m(\text{ttbar})/2$ , and it is varied by factors 2 and 0.5
- **NNLO, A.Mitov et al.**
  - the uncertainty is only the scale uncertainty. The scale (dynamic) is:
  - for  $p_T(\text{top})$ :  $\mu = m_T/2$  (varied by factors 2 and 0.5)
  - for  $y(\text{top})$ ,  $p_T(\text{ttbar})$ ,  $m(\text{ttbar})$ ,  $y(\text{ttbar})$ :  $\mu = H_T/4$

# $t\bar{t}$ distributions I

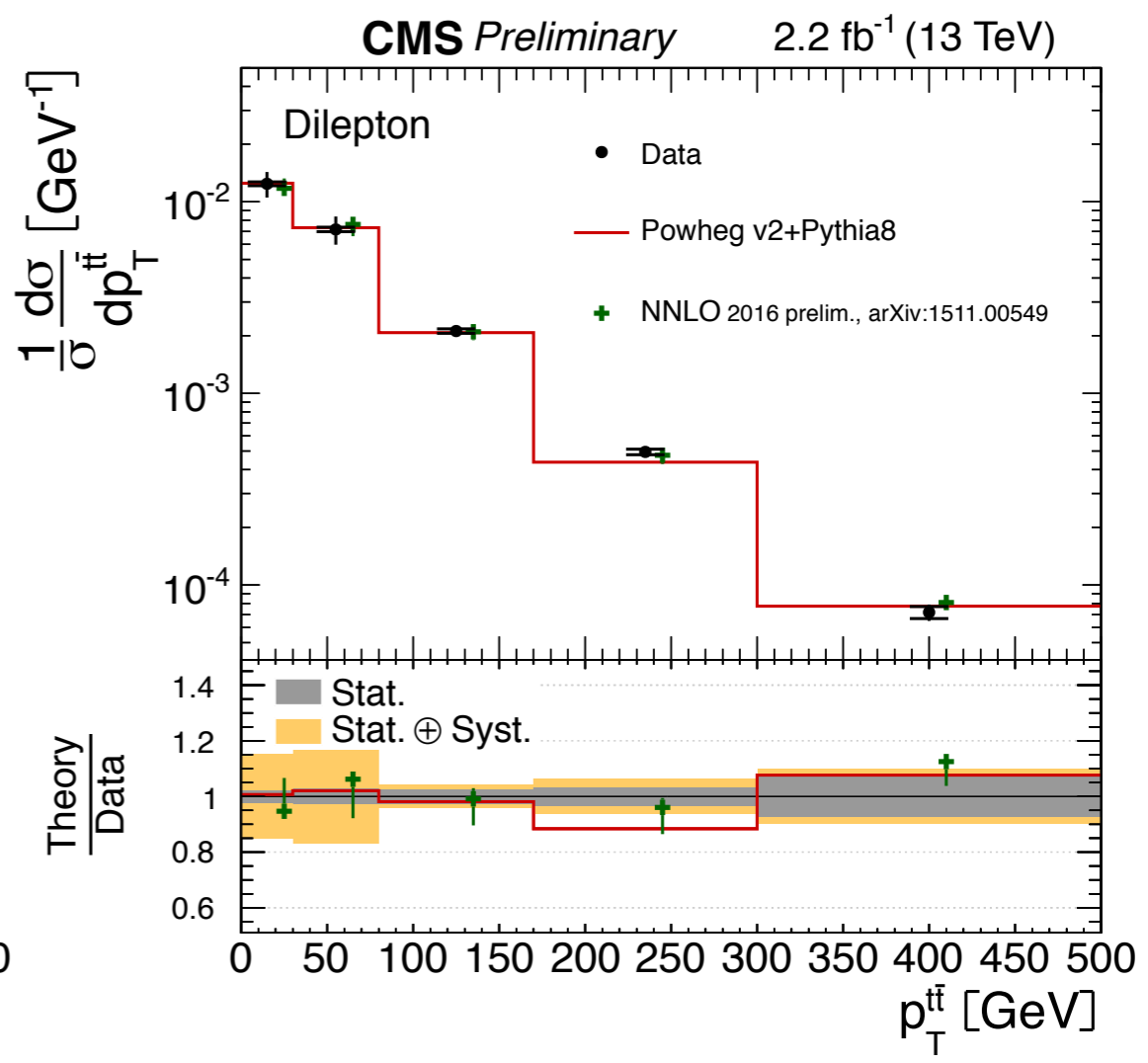
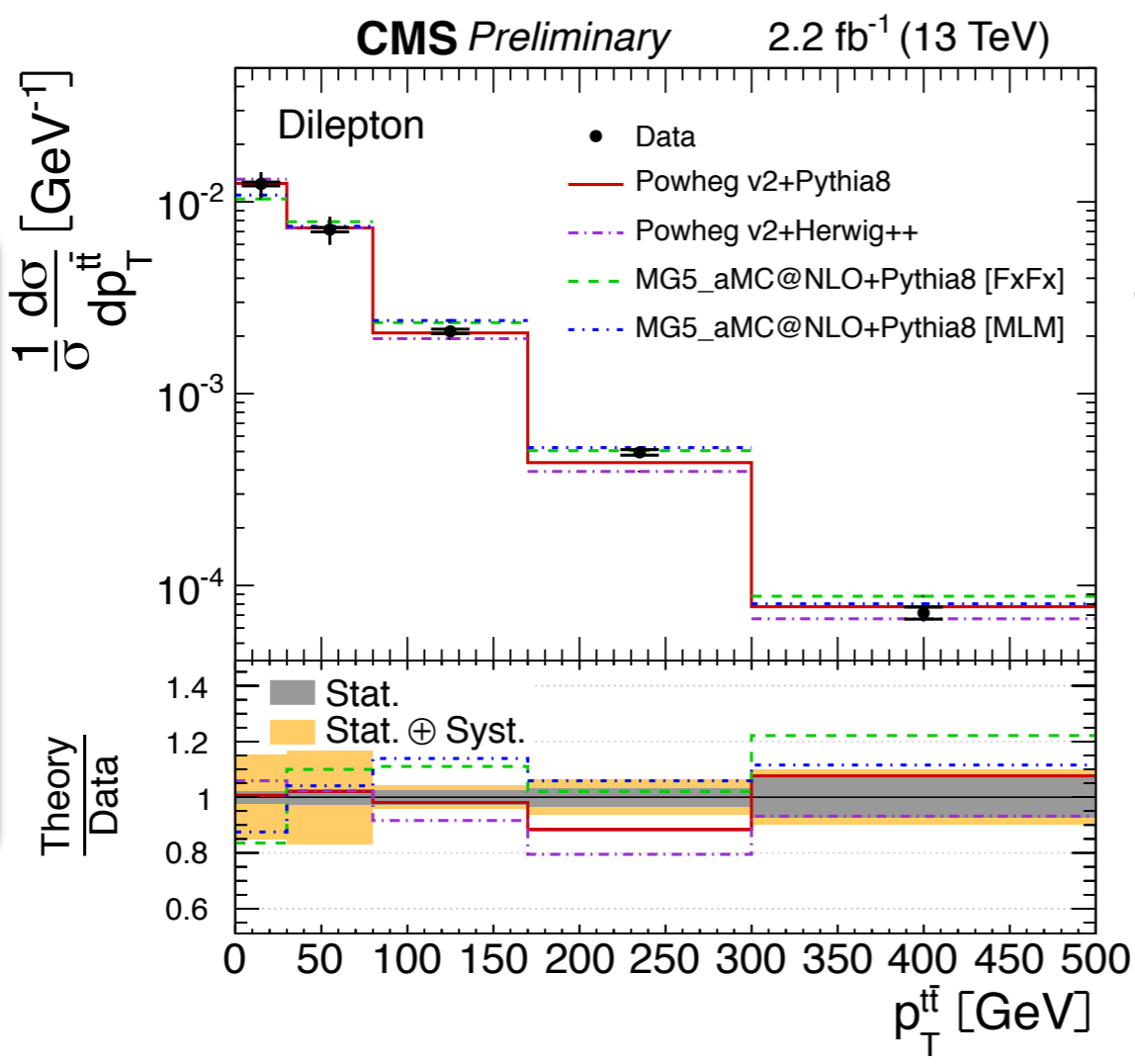
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# top dynamics

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