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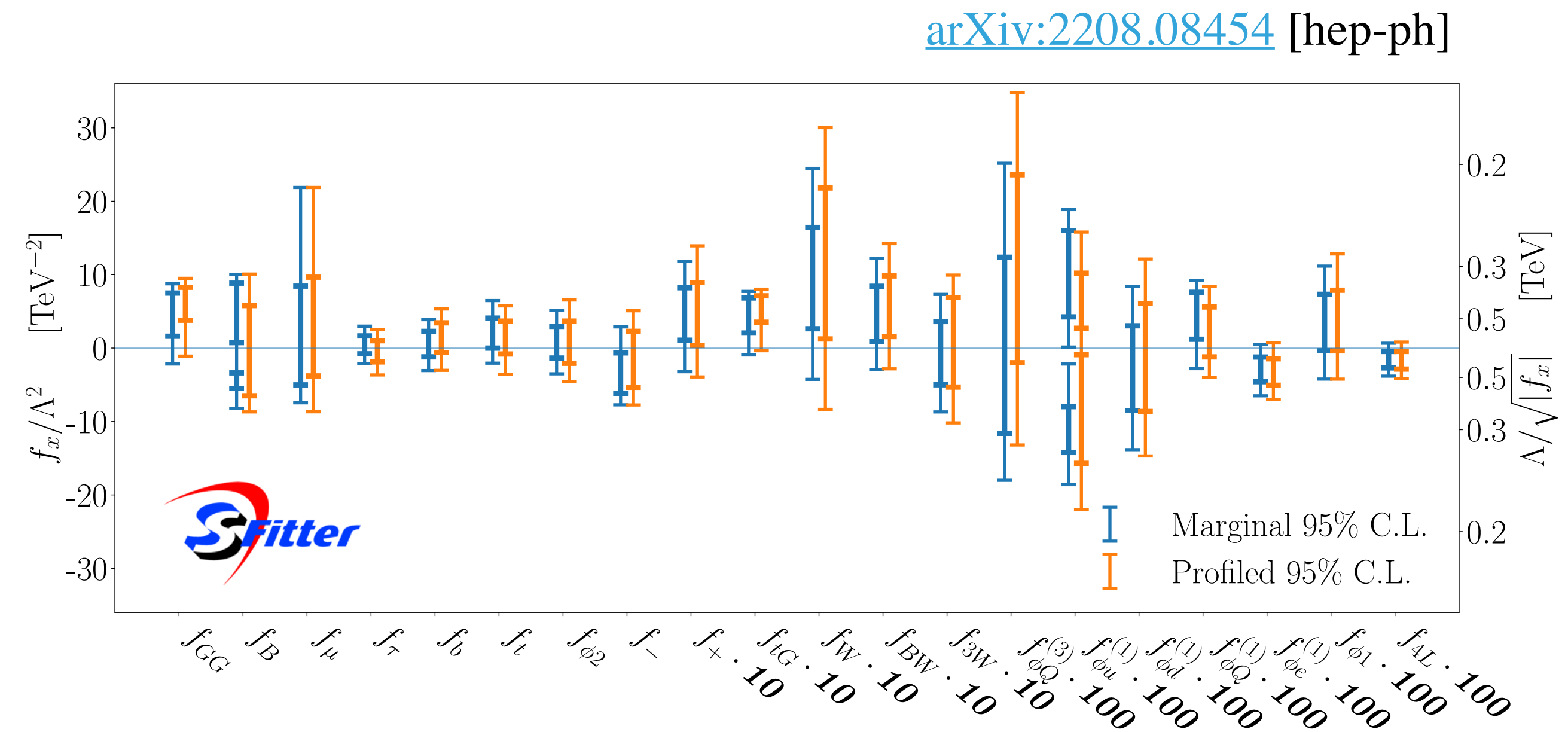
*Likelihoods and global SMEFT analyses in the Top sector*

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# What's the purpose of this talk?

- **Problem:** Large number of observations cannot be explained by the SM alone
- **What we do:** Global SMEFT analyses using **SFitter**
- **Goal:** Put constraints on physics beyond the Standard Model



# Outline

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- **Intro:** Standard Model Effective Field Theory
- **Part I:** Statistical analysis using SFitter
- **Part II:** Likelihoods published by ATLAS
- **Conclusion**

# Standard Model Effective Field Theory

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## SMEFT

- Well established model agnostic approach in searches for BSM physics

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- Up to **quadratic order** SMEFT contributions included i.e.

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# Standard Model Effective Field Theory

## Model and dataset

[arXiv:1910.03606](https://arxiv.org/abs/1910.03606) [hep-ph]

- Restrict ourselves to the Top sector
  - Include  $t\bar{t}$ ,  $t\bar{t}Z$ ,  $t\bar{t}W$  and SingleTop data
    - Total **~116 datapoints**
- Impose  $U(2)_q \times U(2)_u \times U(2)_d$  symmetry
  - Consider a total of **21 Operators**

Operator	Definition	Operator	Definition
$O_{Qq}^{3,8}$	$(\bar{Q}\gamma_\mu T^A \tau^I Q)(\bar{q}_i \gamma^\mu T^A \tau^I q_i)$	$O_{Qq}^{3,1}$	$(\bar{Q}\gamma_\mu \tau^I Q)(\bar{q}_i \gamma^\mu \tau^I q_i)$
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$O_{tu}^8$	$(\bar{t}\gamma_\mu T^A t)(\bar{u}_i \gamma^\mu T^A u_i)$	$O_{tu}^1$	$(\bar{t}\gamma_\mu t)(\bar{u}_i \gamma^\mu u_i)$
$O_{td}^8$	$(\bar{t}\gamma_\mu T^A t)(\bar{d}_i \gamma^\mu T^A d_i)$	$O_{td}^1$	$(\bar{t}\gamma_\mu t)(\bar{d}_i \gamma^\mu d_i)$
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$O_{\phi Q}^3$	$(\phi^\dagger i \overleftrightarrow{D}_\mu \phi)(\bar{Q}\gamma^\mu \tau^I Q)$	$O_{\phi Q}^1$	$(\phi^\dagger i \overleftrightarrow{D}_\mu \phi)(\bar{Q}\gamma^\mu Q)$
$O_{\phi t}$	$(\phi^\dagger i \overleftrightarrow{D}_\mu \phi)(\bar{t}\gamma^\mu t)$	$O_{\phi tb}$	$(\tilde{\phi}^\dagger i D_\mu \phi)(\bar{t}\gamma^\mu b)$
$O_{tB}$	$(\bar{Q}\sigma^{\mu\nu} t)\tilde{\phi} B_{\mu\nu}$	$O_{tW}$	$(\bar{Q}\sigma^{\mu\nu} t)\tau^I \tilde{\phi} W_{\mu\nu}^I$
$O_{bW}$	$(\bar{Q}\sigma^{\mu\nu} b)\tau^I \phi W_{\mu\nu}^I$	$O_{tG}$	$(\bar{Q}\sigma_{\mu\nu} T^A t)\tilde{\phi} G_{\mu\nu}^A$

# PART I

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*Statistical analysis with SFitter*

# What is our tool of choice?

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## SFitter

- Used for various global SMEFT analyses
- Comprehensive treatment of **uncertainties**
- **Fully correlated** systematic uncertainties within experiments
- Allows for both **profiling and marginalization** methods
  
- **Goal of this talk:** Explain what all of this means



# What is SFitter?

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## The exclusive likelihood

- Likelihood for a **single measurements** modelled as

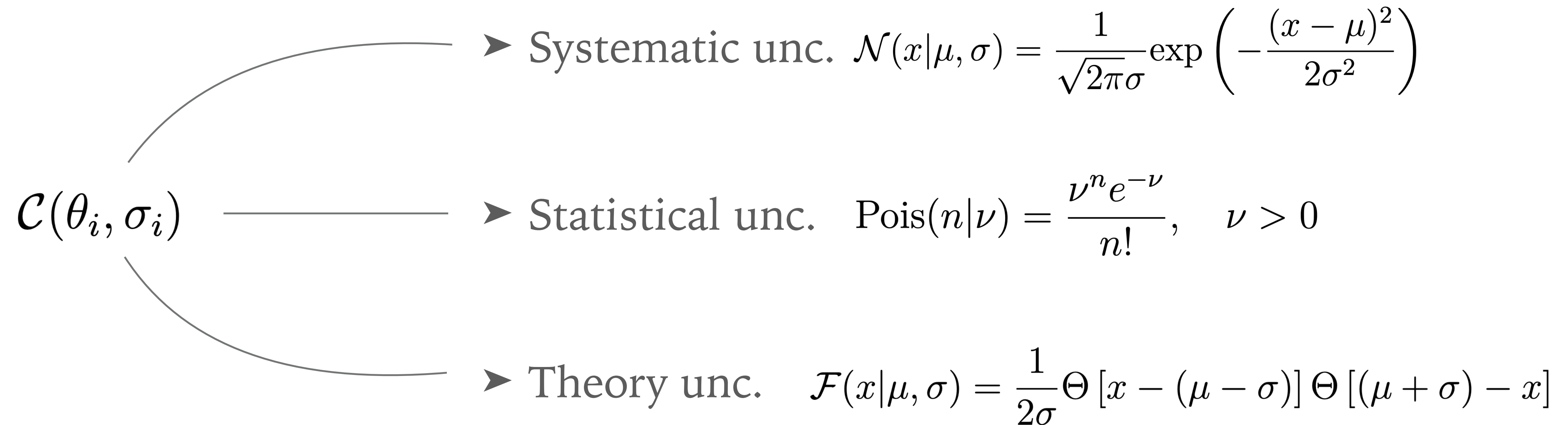
$$\mathcal{L}_{excl} = \text{Pois}(d|p(\alpha_n, \theta_i, b)) \text{Pois}(b_{CR}|b k) \prod_i \mathcal{C}(\theta_i, \sigma_i)$$

- SMEFT contributions are incorporated into model parameters  $\alpha_n$ .
- Uncertainties included via nuisance parameters (NP)  $\theta_i$
- Constraint term  $\mathcal{C}(\theta_i, \sigma_i)$  depends on uncertainty considered

# What is SFitter?

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## Uncertainty constraints



➤ Choice of constraint is motivated by physical intuition

➤ **However:** They are a choice and could technically be chosen differently

# What is SFitter?

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## Generalization to multiple measurements

- Global analyses study numerous different processes

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{excl,full}} = \prod_c \text{Pois}(d_c | p_c) \text{Pois}(b_{CR_c} | b_c k_c) \prod_i \mathcal{C}(\theta_{i,c}, \sigma_{i,c})$$

- Take into consideration correlations between these measurements

$$\mathcal{N}(\theta_{\text{syst},i} | 0, \sigma_i) \longrightarrow \mathcal{N}(\vec{\theta}_{\text{syst},i} | \vec{0}, \Sigma_i)$$

- **Assumption:** Systematics are **fully correlated** between measurements

# What is SFitter?

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## Systematic uncertainties

- Each category of systematic is fully correlated within CMS and ATLAS
- Luminosity correlated between both experiments

Systematic uncertainties
Beam
Background (Separate for each channel)
ETmis
Jets
Leptons
LightTagging
Luminosity
Pileup
Trigger
Tune
bTagging
partonShower
tTagging
tauTagging

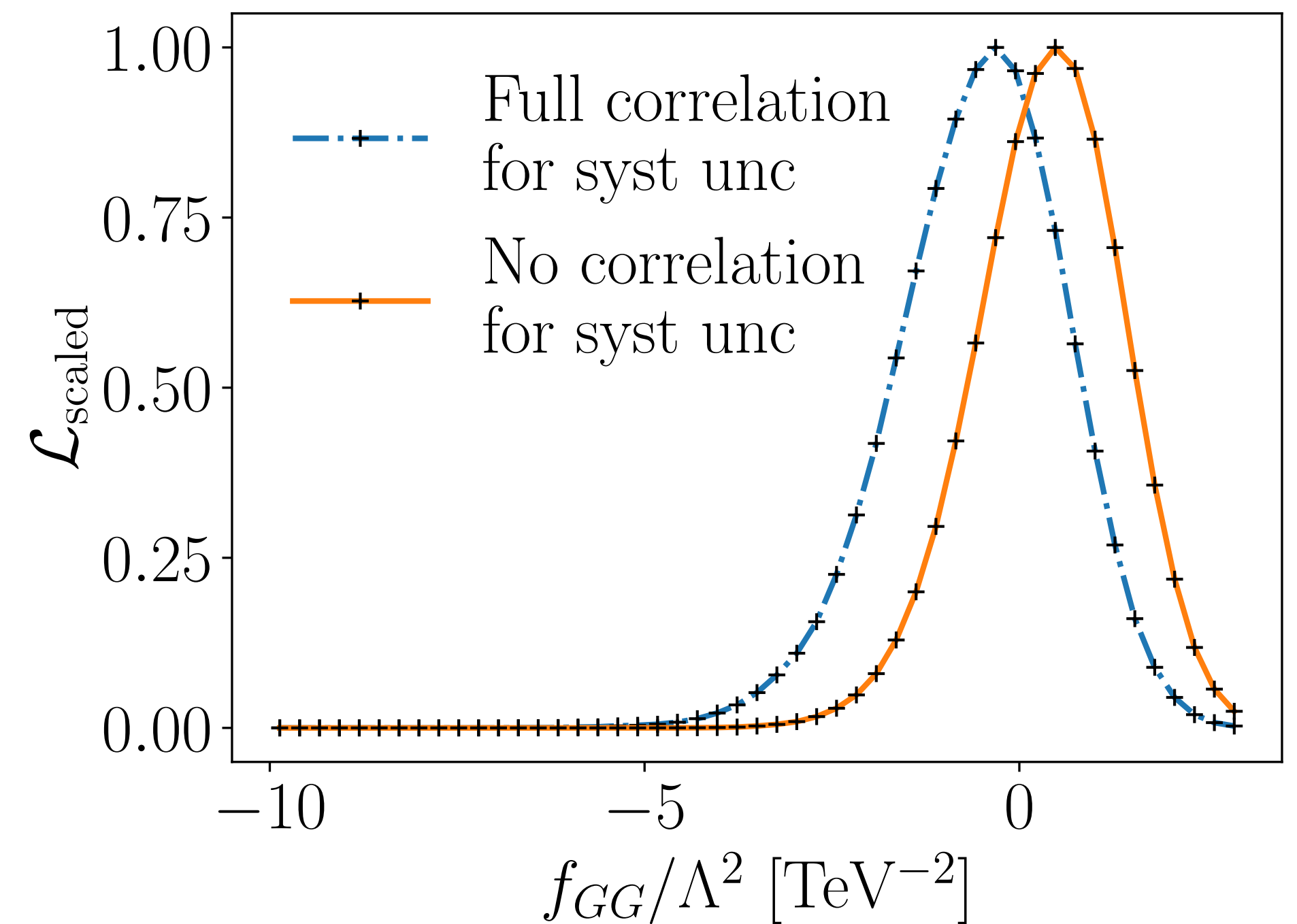
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## Systematic uncertainties

- Each category of systematic is fully correlated within CMS and ATLAS
- Luminosity correlated between both experiments
- Clear shift in the likelihoods **due to correlations** between the systematics

[arXiv:2208.08454](https://arxiv.org/abs/2208.08454) [hep-ph]



# What is SFitter?

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## To profile or to marginalize

- Common exclusive likelihood constructed

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- The NPs  $\theta_i$  are not physically interesting
  - **Decision:** How do we handle the NPs?

**Profiling:**

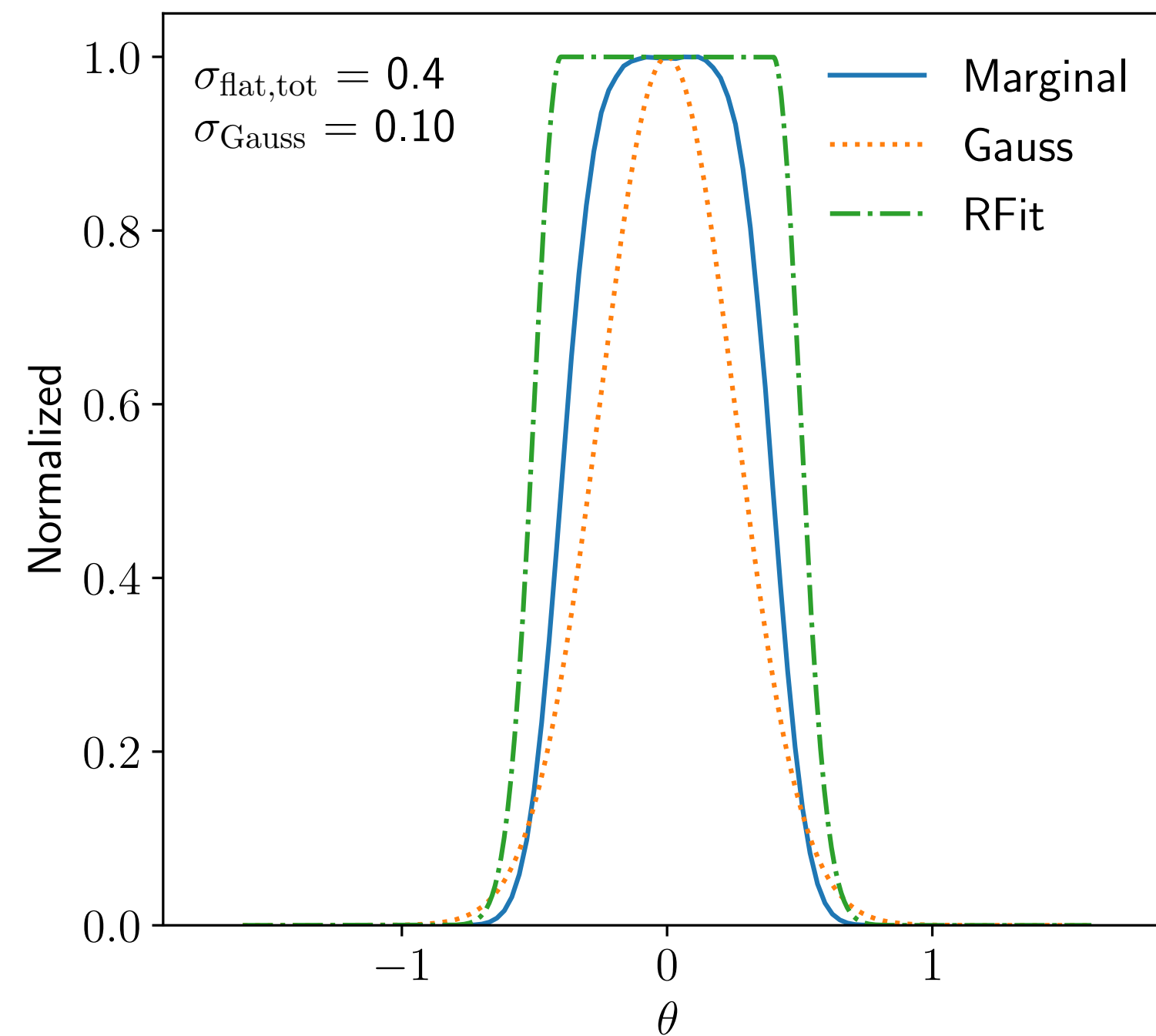
$$\mathcal{L}_{prof}(\alpha) = \max_{\theta} \mathcal{L}_{excl}(\alpha, \theta)$$

**Marginalization:**

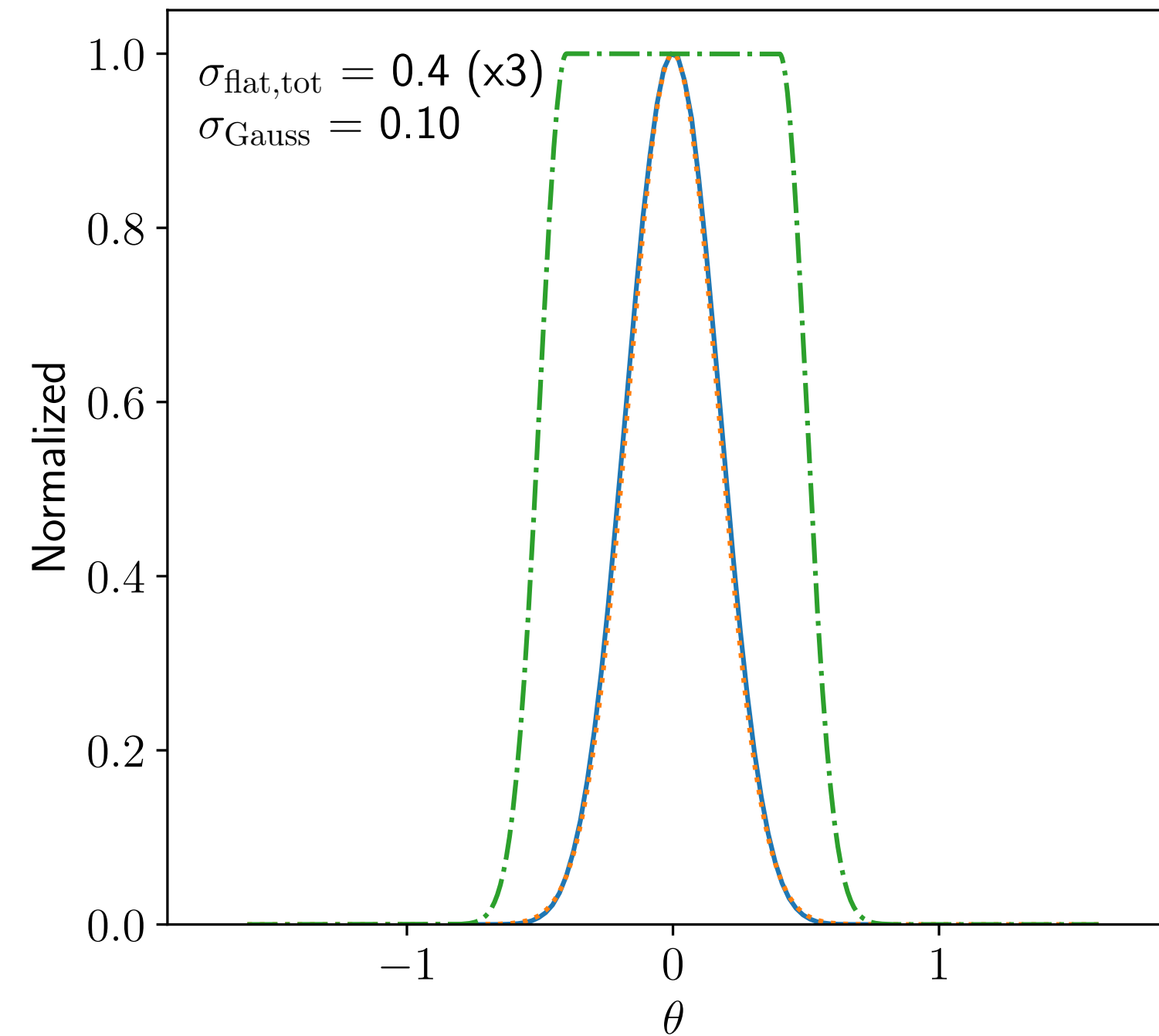
$$\mathcal{L}_{marg}(\alpha) = \int d\theta \mathcal{L}_{excl}(\alpha, \theta)$$

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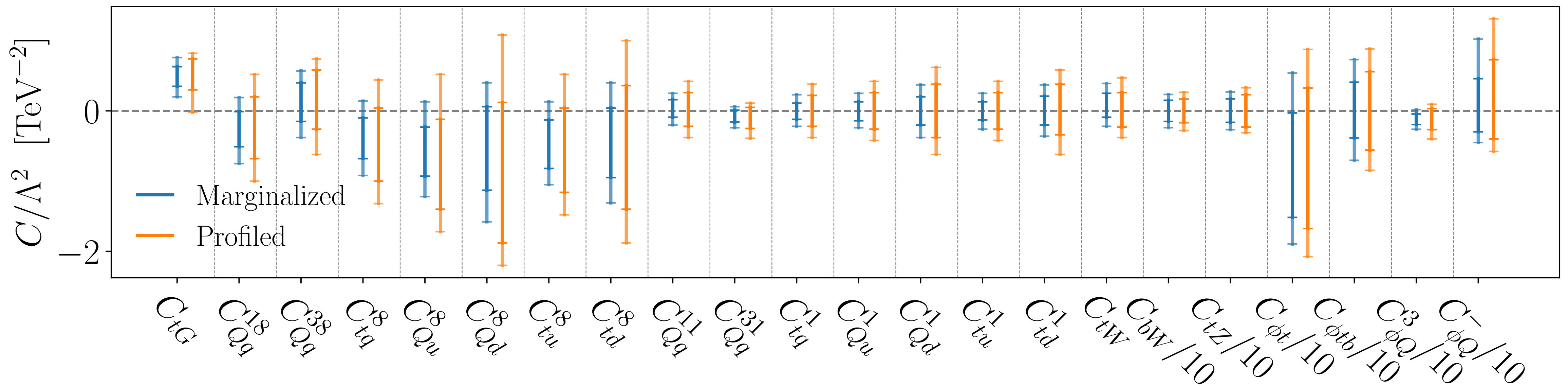


- Comparison for the product of Gaussian and uniform distributions
  - Marginalization over multiple flat unc. gives **Gaussian** results



# Results

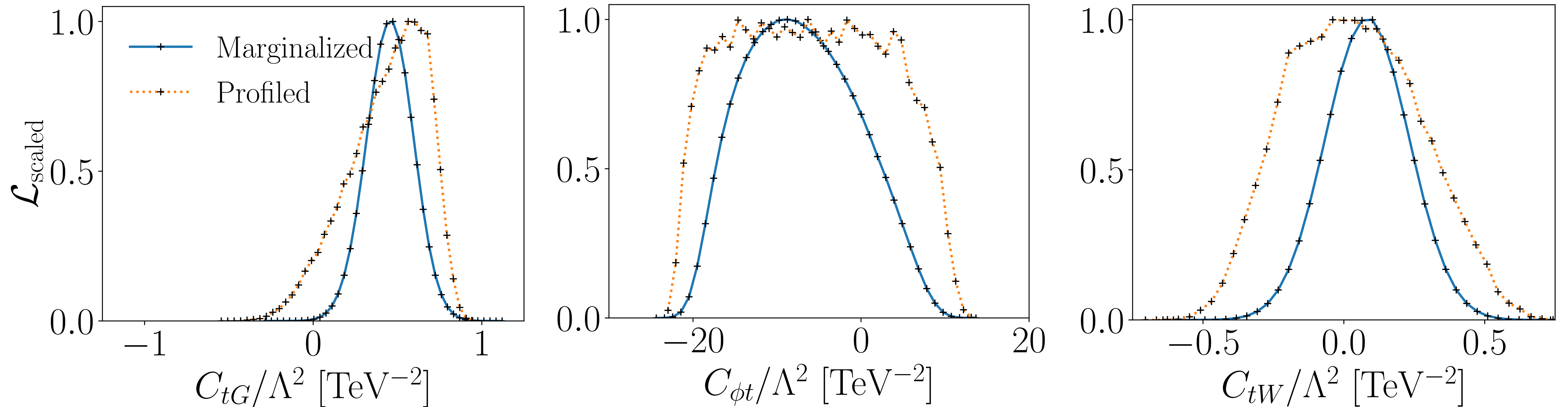
## Profiling vs Marginalization



- Stronger constraints for marginalized likelihood as a result of **large theory uncertainties**

# Results

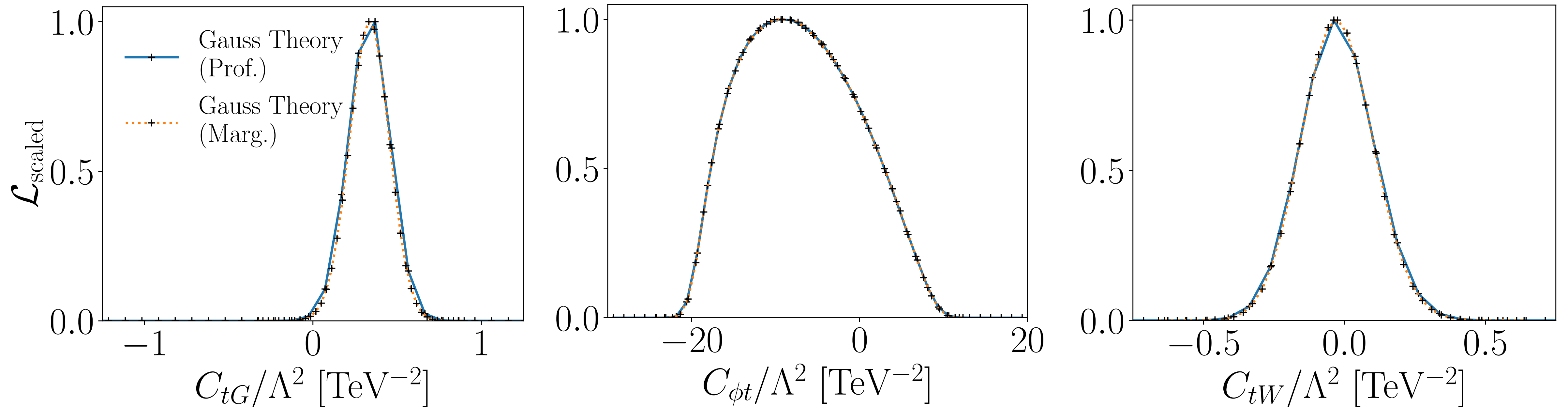
## Profiling vs Marginalization



➤ Expected behaviour due to marginalization of flat theory uncertainties

# Results

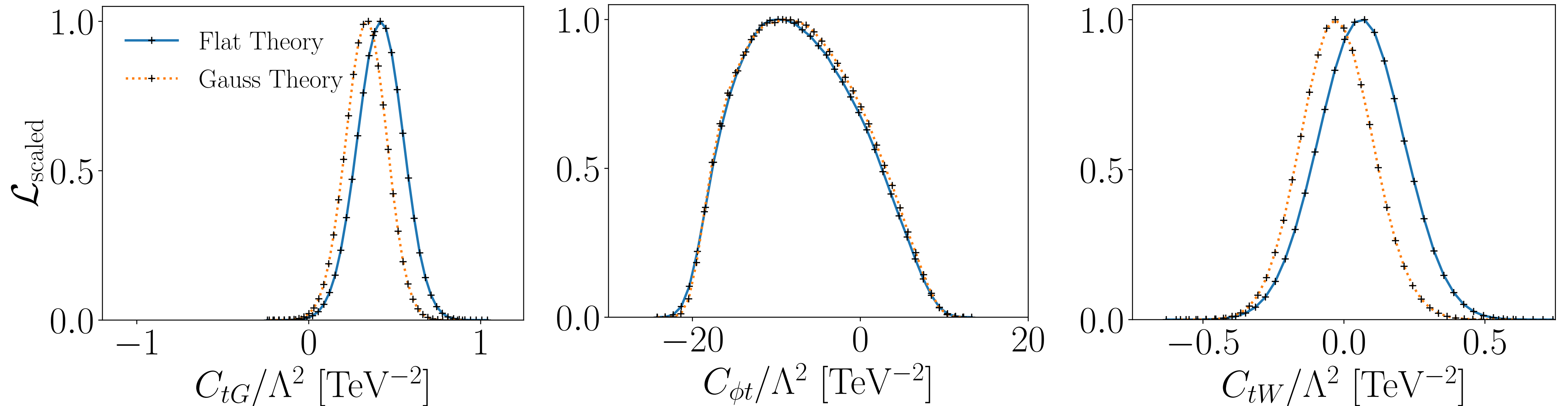
## Profiling vs Marginalization



➤ Gaussian theory unc. give same result for both profiling and marginalization

# Results

## Profiling vs Marginalization



- Gaussian theory unc. give same result for both profiling and marginalization
- **However:** Choice of Gaussian or uniform still has an effect

# PART II

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## *Published Likelihoods*

# Published Likelihoods

## Available Likelihoods (April 2023)

From <https://twiki.cern.ch/twiki/bin/view/AtlasPublic>

Observation of the $t\gamma$ production	<a href="#">TOPQ</a>	Accepted by PRL	2023-02-02	13	140 fb <sup>-1</sup>	<a href="#">Documents</a>   <a href="#">2302.01283</a> <a href="#">Inspire</a>   <a href="#">HepData</a> <a href="#">Internal</a>
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# Likelihoods published by ATLAS

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[arXiv:2006.13076](https://arxiv.org/abs/2006.13076) [hep-ex]

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➤ Full likelihoods publicly available on HEPData



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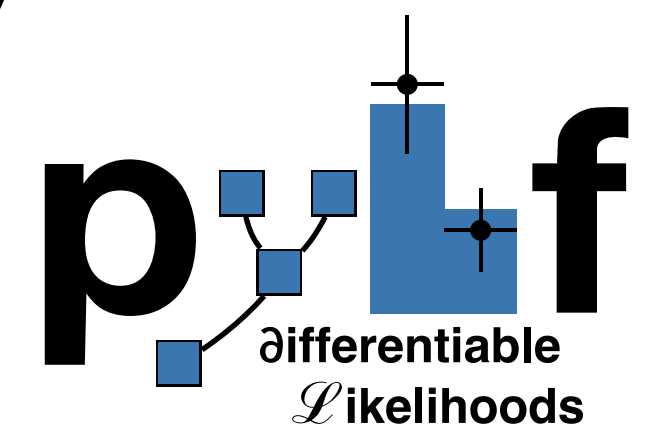
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## Quick overview

- Likelihoods published in the **HistFactory** format

$$\mathcal{L}(n_{cb}, a_{\chi} | \eta, \chi) = \prod_{c \in \text{channels}} \prod_{b \in \text{bins}} \text{Pois}(n_{cb} | \nu_{cb}(\eta, \chi)) \prod_{\chi \in \vec{\chi}} \mathcal{C}_{\chi}(a_{\chi} | \chi)$$

- Full statistical model with NPs  $\chi$  and parameters of interest  $\eta$
- Allows analysis of **individual NPs** of the likelihood
- Analysis using dedicated python libraries such as **pyhf** and **cabinetry**
- **Question:** How to make use of in SFitter analyses?



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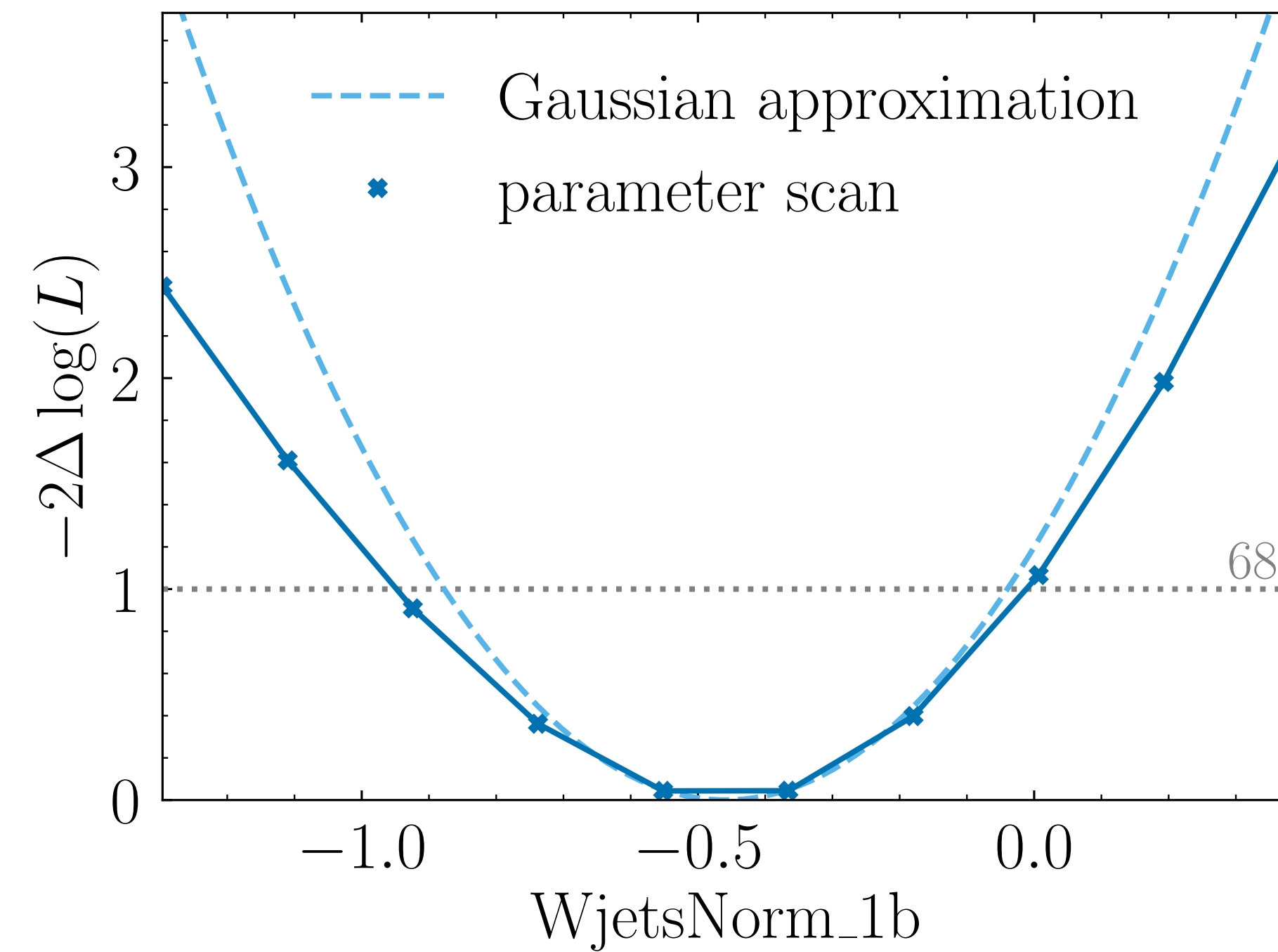
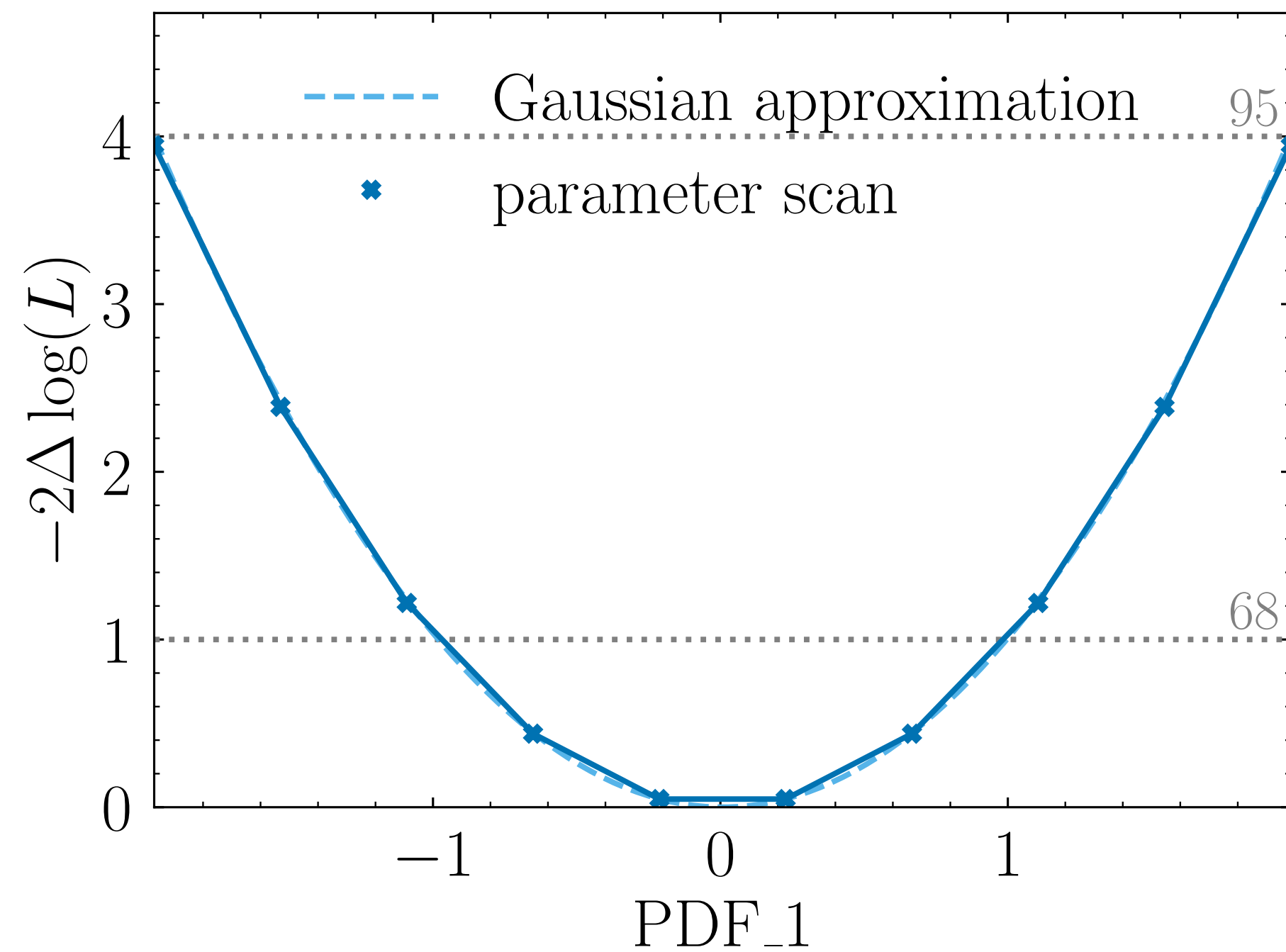
## Uncertainties

- **Previously:** Uncertainties taken as given in the paper
- **Now:** Uncertainties extracted from profiling fit via pyhf
  - Implemented into SFitter using the constraints terms  $\mathcal{C}(\theta_i, \sigma_i)$
- **Problem:** Difficult to automate due to inconsistent naming conventions

Uncertainty	Reproduced $\frac{\Delta\sigma_{t\bar{t}Z}}{\sigma_{t\bar{t}Z}}$ [%]	Paper $\frac{\Delta\sigma_{t\bar{t}Z}}{\sigma_{t\bar{t}Z}}$ [%]
$t\bar{t}Z$ parton shower	3.1	3.1
$tWZ$ modeling	2.9	2.9
b-tagging	2.9	2.9
$WZ/ZZ$ + jets modeling	2.7	2.8
$tZq$ modeling	2.6	2.6
Lepton	2.3	2.3
Luminosity	2.2	2.2
Jets + $E_T^{miss}$	2.1	2.1
Fake leptons	2.1	2.1
$t\bar{t}Z$ ISR	1.7	1.6
$t\bar{t}Z\mu_F$ and $\mu_r$ scales	0.9	0.9
Other backgrounds	0.8	0.7
Pile-up	0.7	0.7
$t\bar{t}Z$ PDF	0.2	0.2
Stat	5.2	5.2

# Published Likelihoods

## Parameter scans



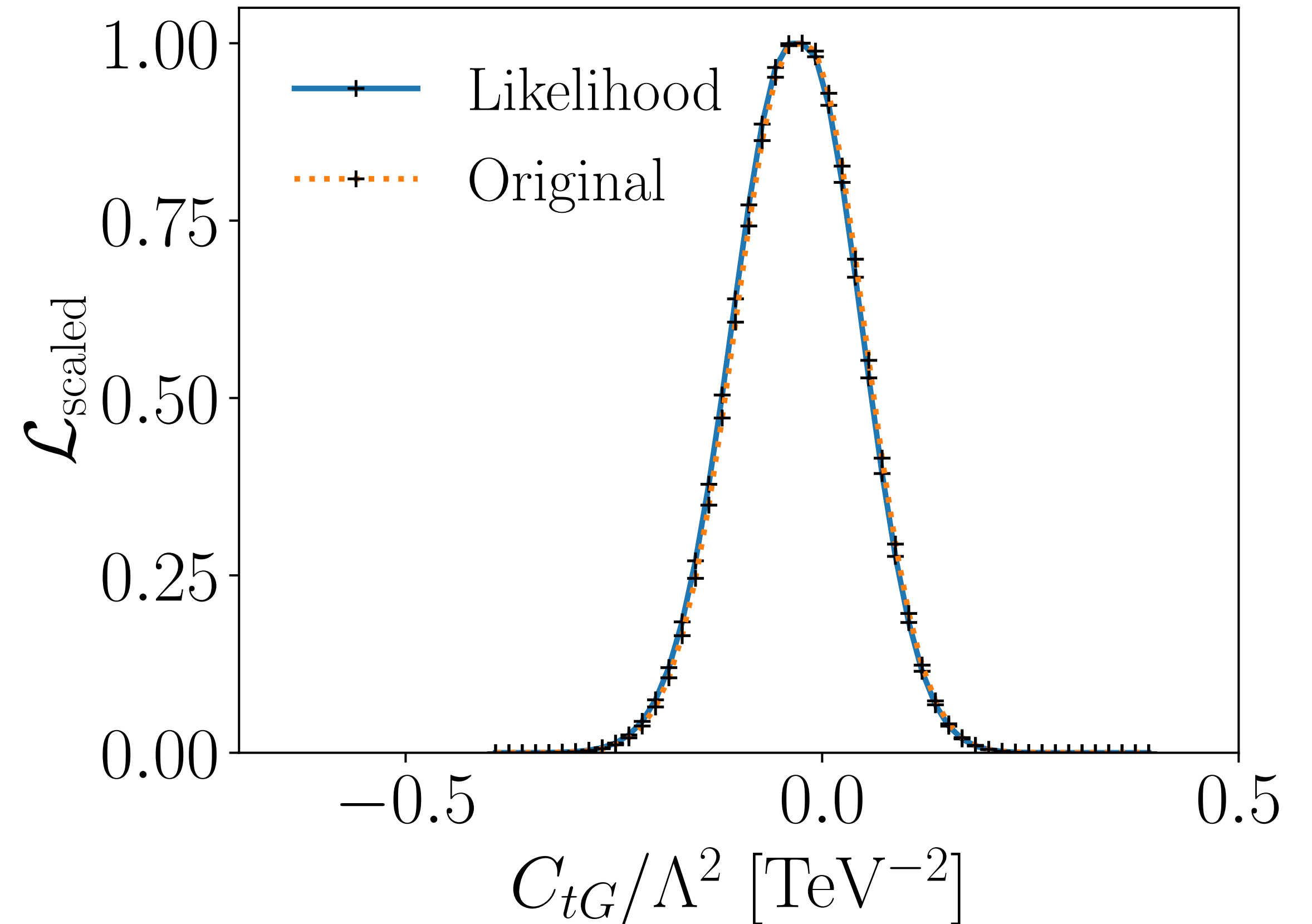
- NPs are all very Gaussian, only small number of exceptions
- Modeling systematics as **Gaussian** is a reasonable assumption

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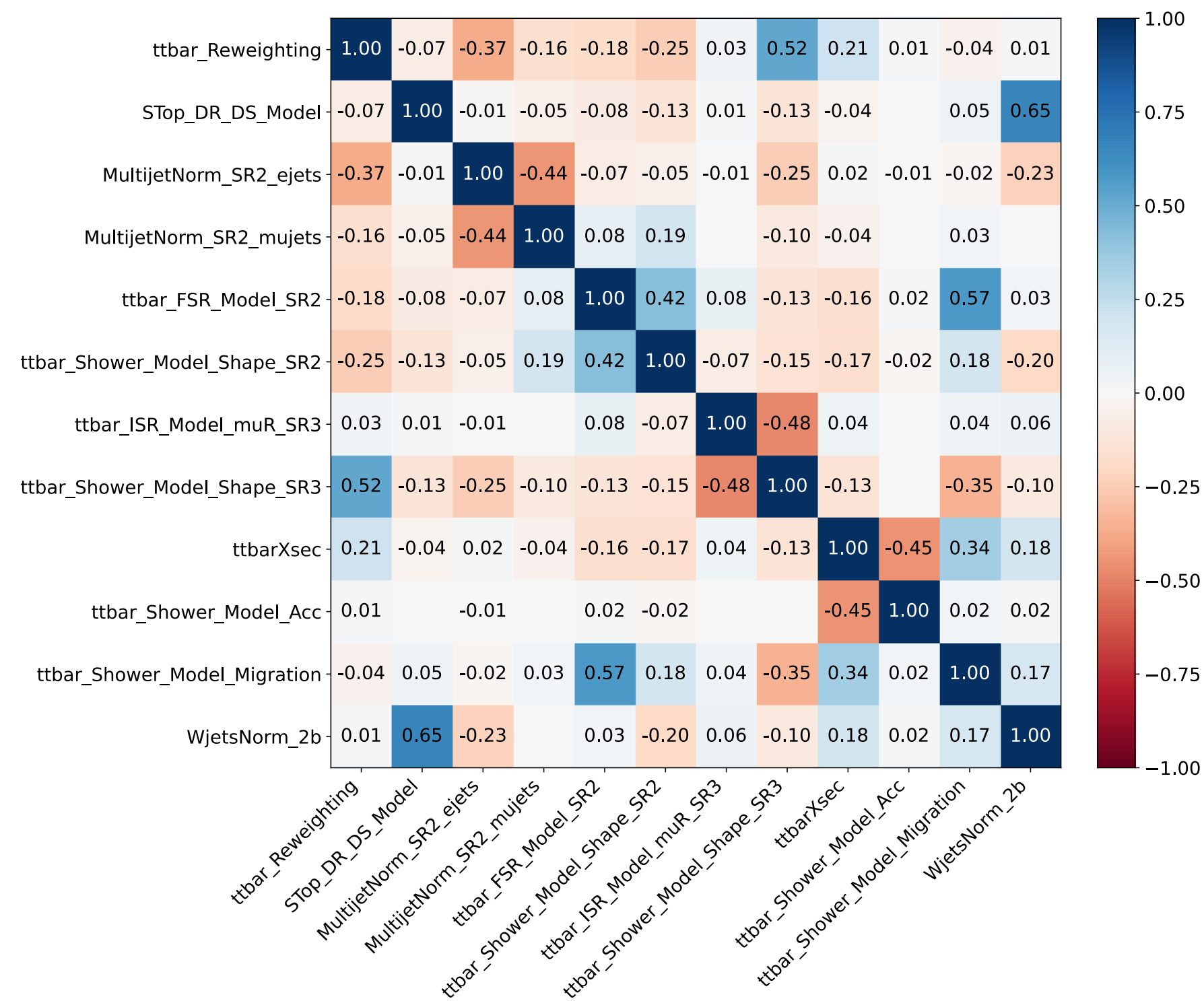
## Implementation

- Low dimensional fit to **only**  $C_{tG}$  and total cross section measurements
- Neglect theory uncertainties
- **Excellent agreement** between both methods of implementation



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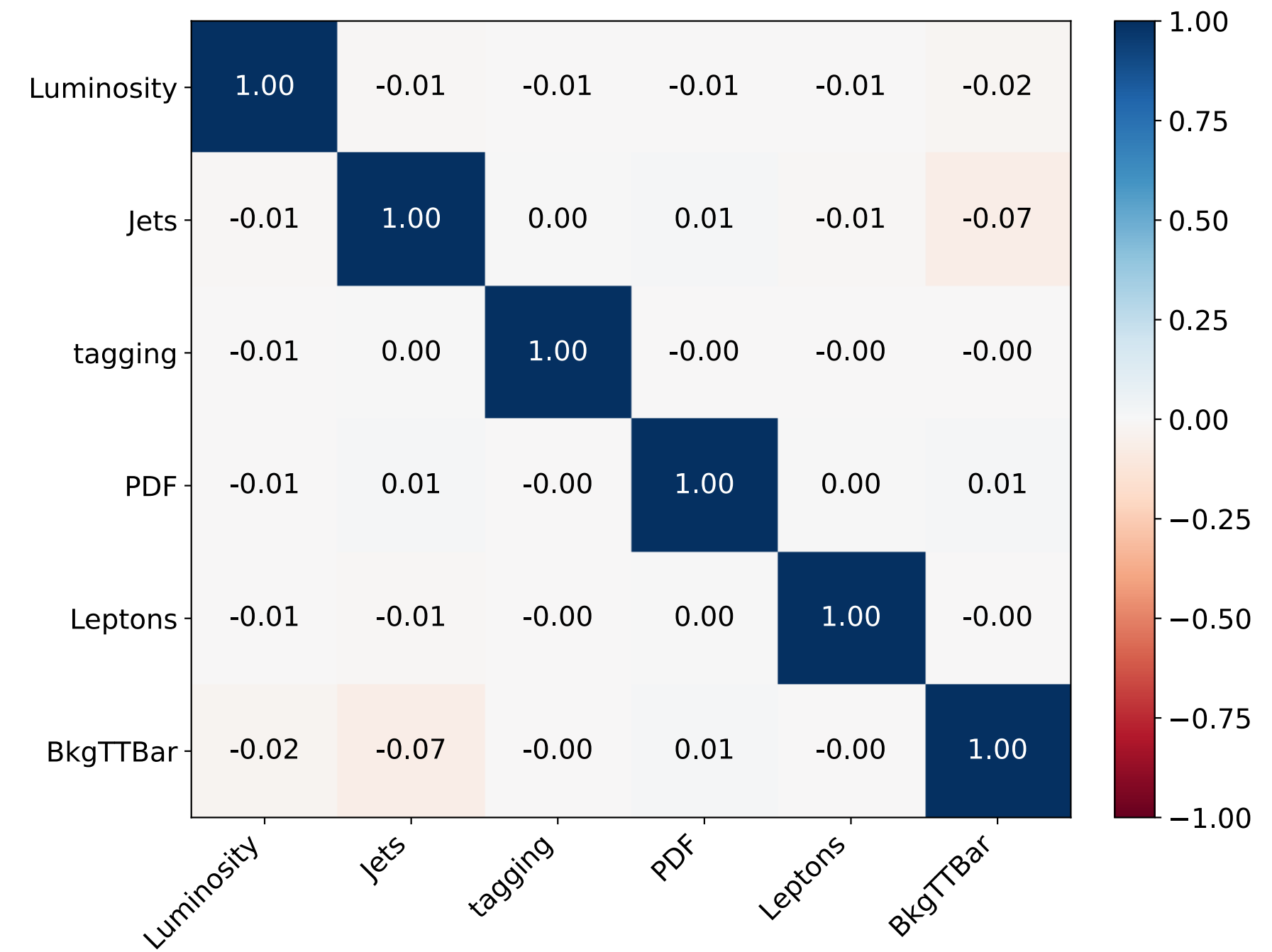
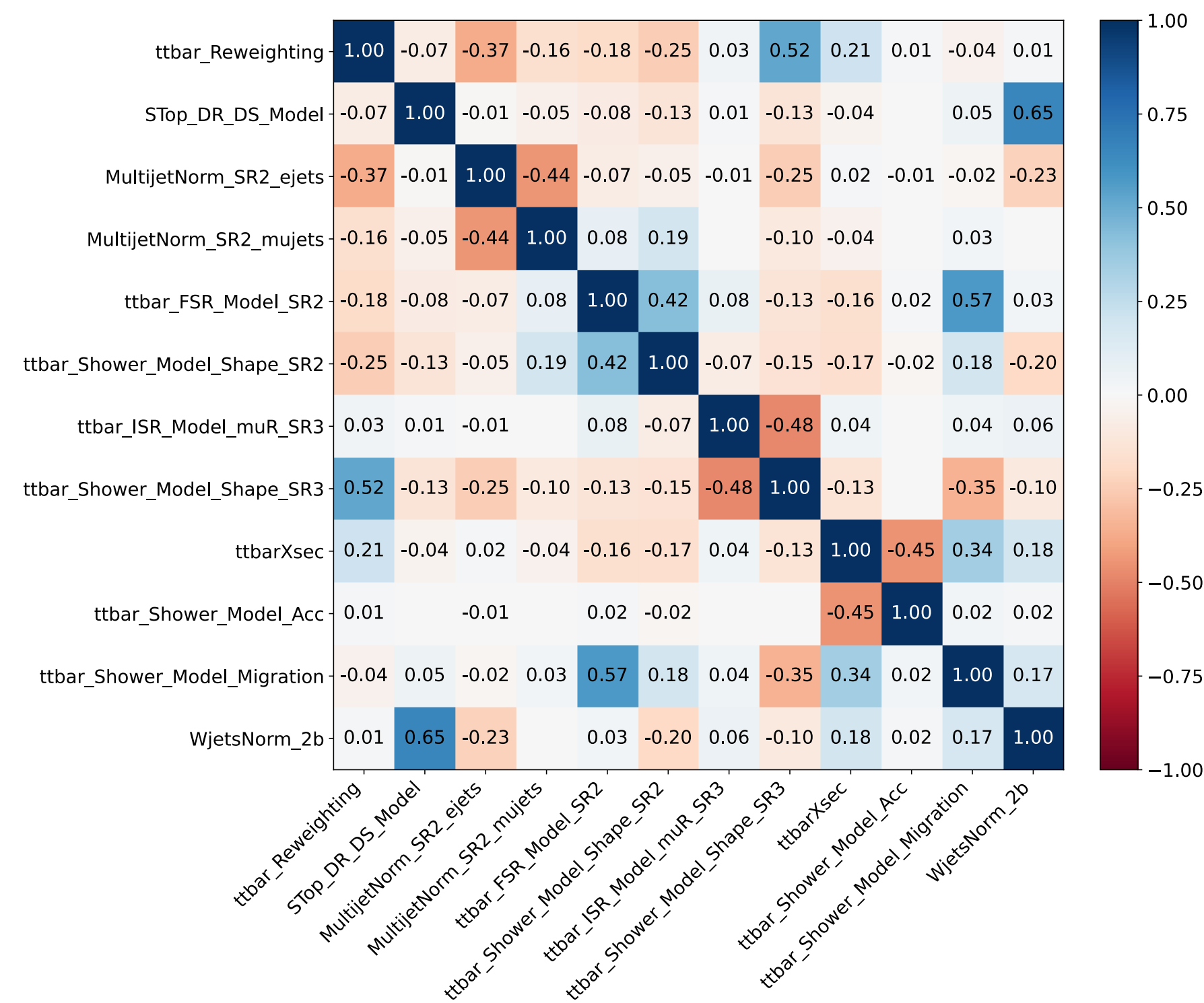
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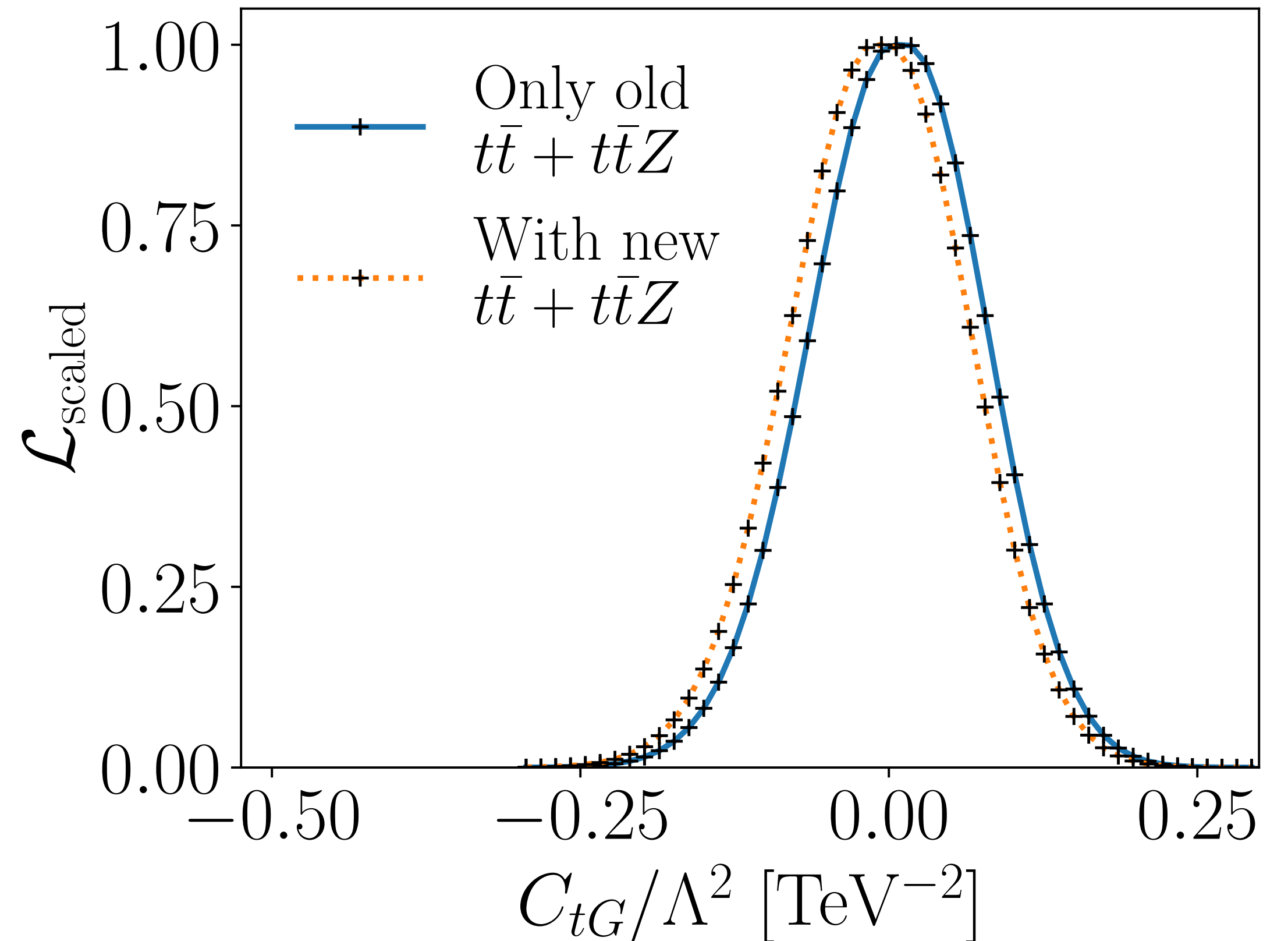
- **Currently:** No correlations between uncertainties in SFitter
- Correlations of systematics included in SFitter are **negligibly small**

# Published Likelihoods

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## Constraints

- Visible shift from new measurements
- Constraints **shift slightly** after including both new measurements
- Measurements of **total cross sections** barely affect constraints



# Concluding

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- **Summary:** SFitter constraints using either profiling or marginalization methods
  - Large effect of **theory uncertainties** in the top sector
  - Published likelihoods provide an alternative way to use experimental data
    - **Validates assumptions** made in previous analyses
- **However:** Current published likelihoods not particularly SMEFT sensitive
  - Publication for more **differential measurements** would be beneficial
  - Check **effect of SMEFT** in profiling fit of published likelihoods



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Thank you for your attention.

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