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FCNC AND PROPERTIES IN TOP PHYSICS

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PHYSICS OF TOP QUARKS

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Production Rate

- Pair Production cross section
- Single (EWK) production, $|V_{tb}|$
- **FCNC, anomalous couplings**
- Differential cross sections
- Production mechanism (gg, qq)
- Associated Production

New Physics in production

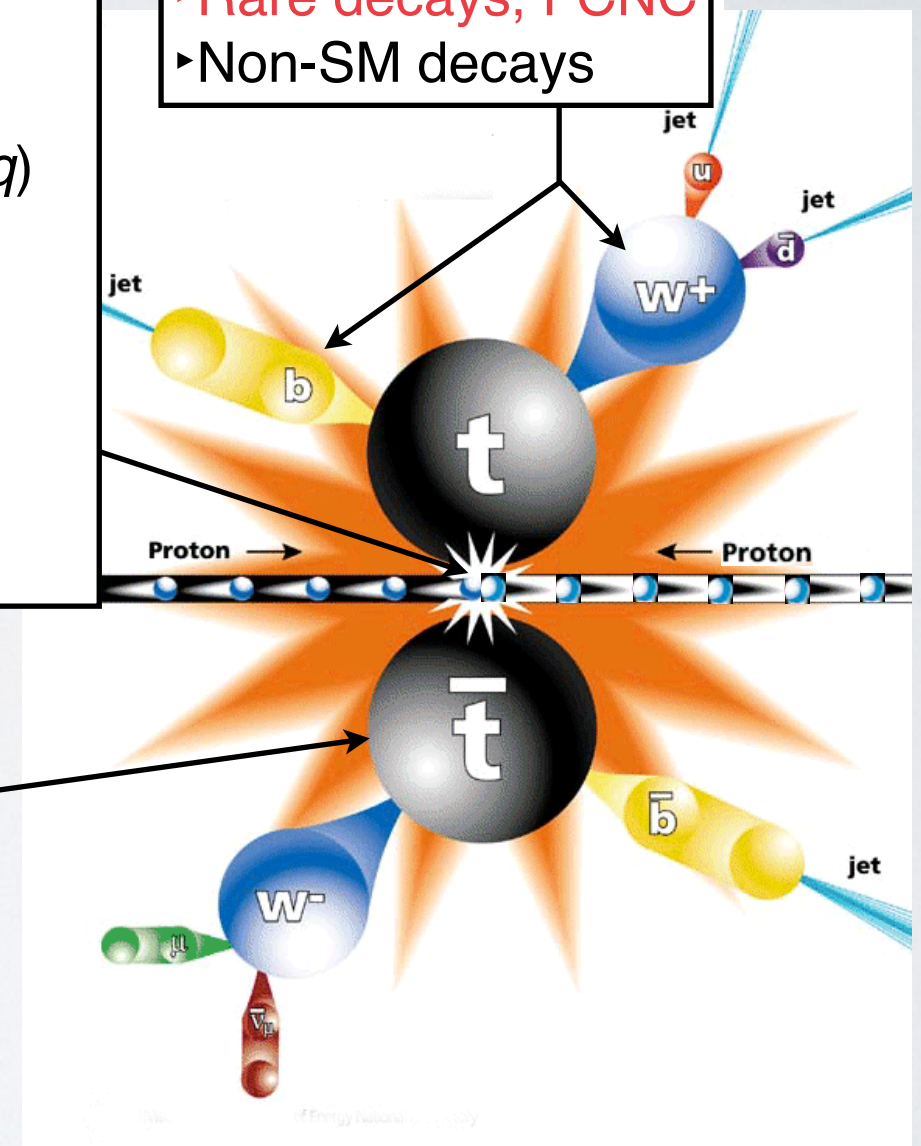
- Resonant production
- Heavy Quark production
- ...

Properties

- **Top mass**
- Top charge
- Top width
- **Spin correlation**
- **Top polarisation**
- W helicity
- Charge asymmetry
- Yukawa coupling

Decay

- **Branching ratios**
- CP asymmetries
- **Rare decays, FCNC**
- Non-SM decays



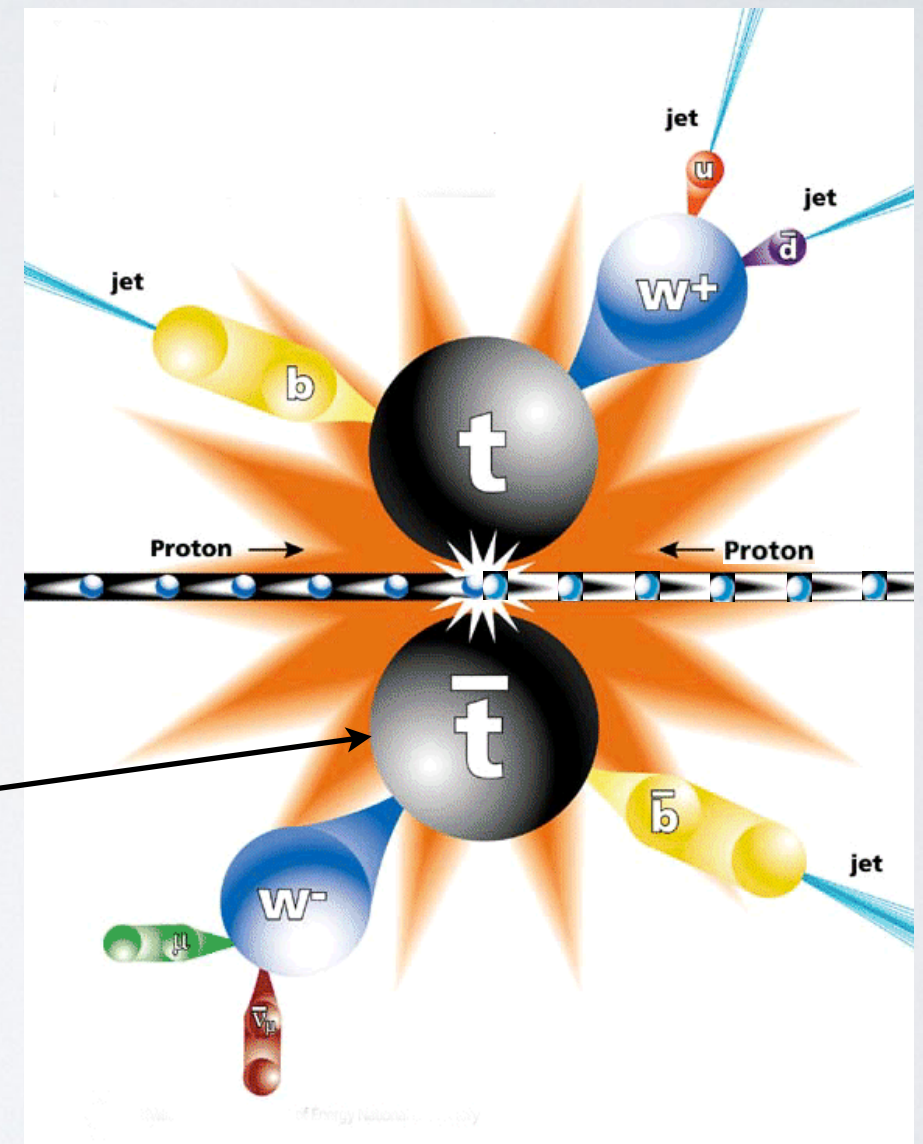
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TOP PAIR QUANTUM ENTANGLEMENT

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- Spin entanglement can be observed by increase in the strength of the top and anti-top spin correlations
- Spin entanglement is inferred from the angle between the charged leptons in the parent top- antitop-quark rest frames
- Measurement targets around the top-antitop production threshold

Signature: 1 Electron and 1 Muon of opposite electric charges, 2 jets (≥ 1 b -tagged)

- Restricted phase space: $340 < m_{t\bar{t}} < 380$ GeV and two control region beyond 380 GeV
- Background level $< 10\%$

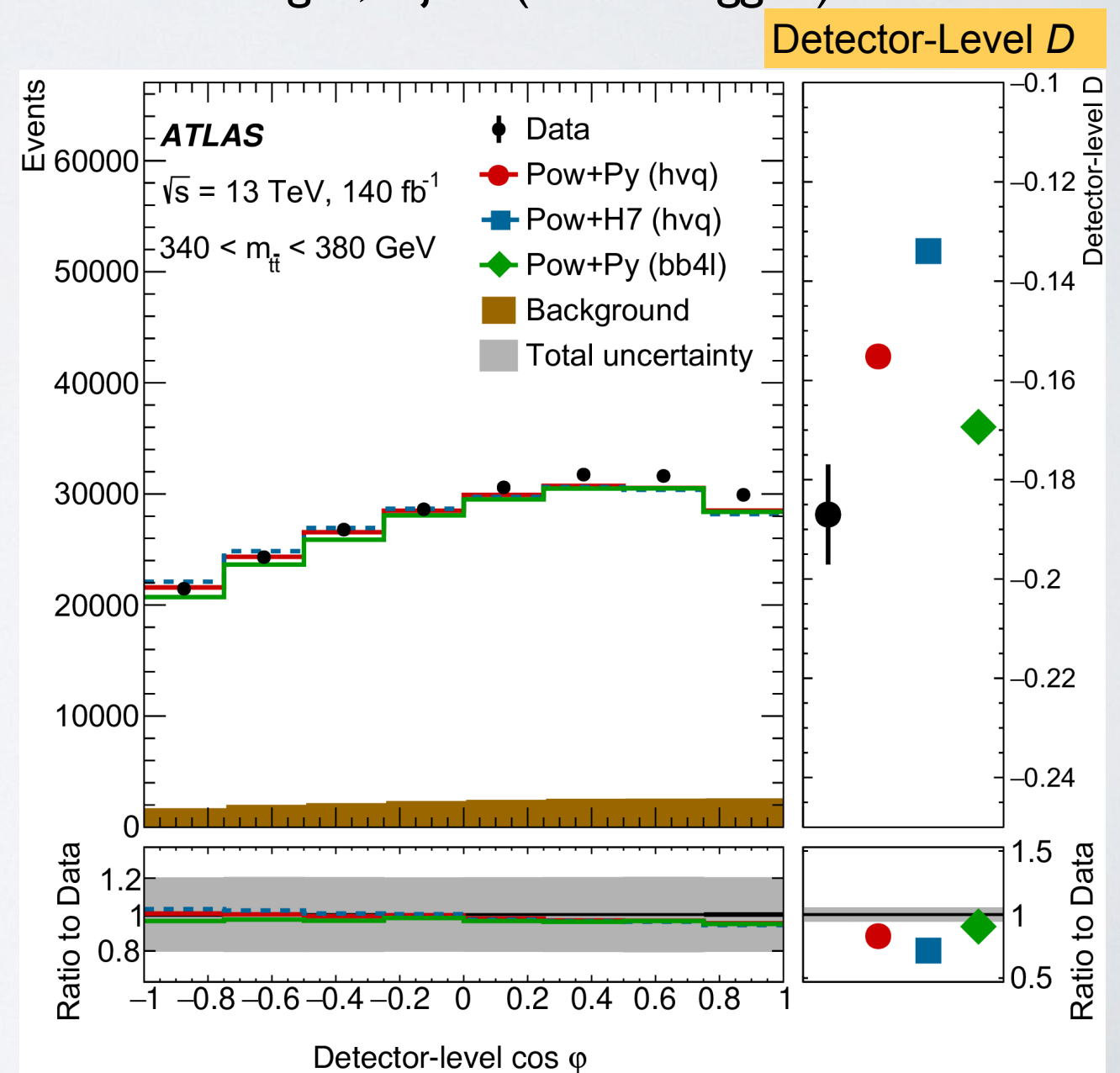
Method: Entanglement marker:

$$D = \text{tr}[C]/3 = -3 \langle \cos\phi \rangle$$

C : spin correlation matrix

ϕ : angle between the charged-lepton directions, in the rest frames of the parent top-quarks:

$$D < -1/3 \quad \text{indicates entanglement}$$



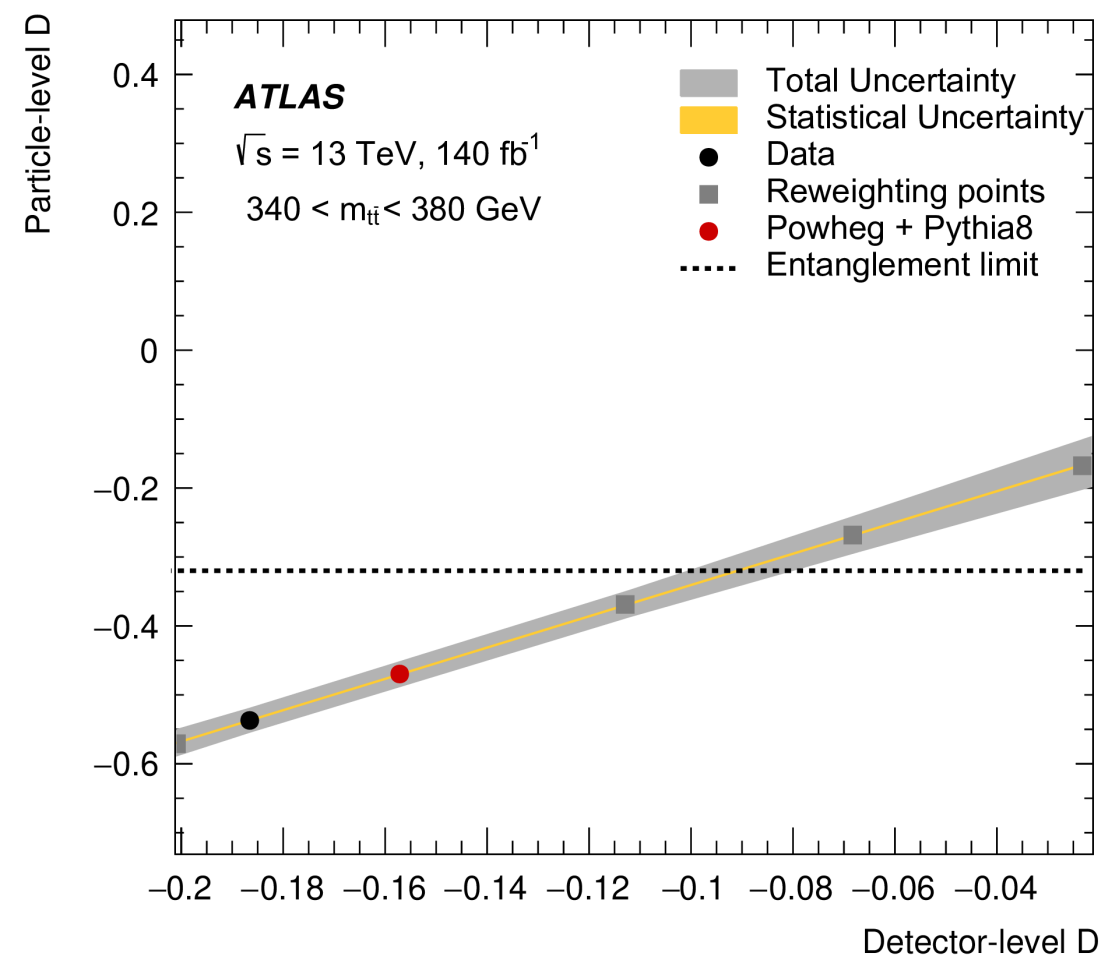
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- Calibration curve is derived to correct to particle-level D
- Parton-level bound ($-1/3$) converted to particle-level one (-0.322 , Powheg+Pythia)
- SM prediction from Powheg+Pythia
- Uncertainties grouped into $t\bar{t}$ modelling, backgrounds and detector-related

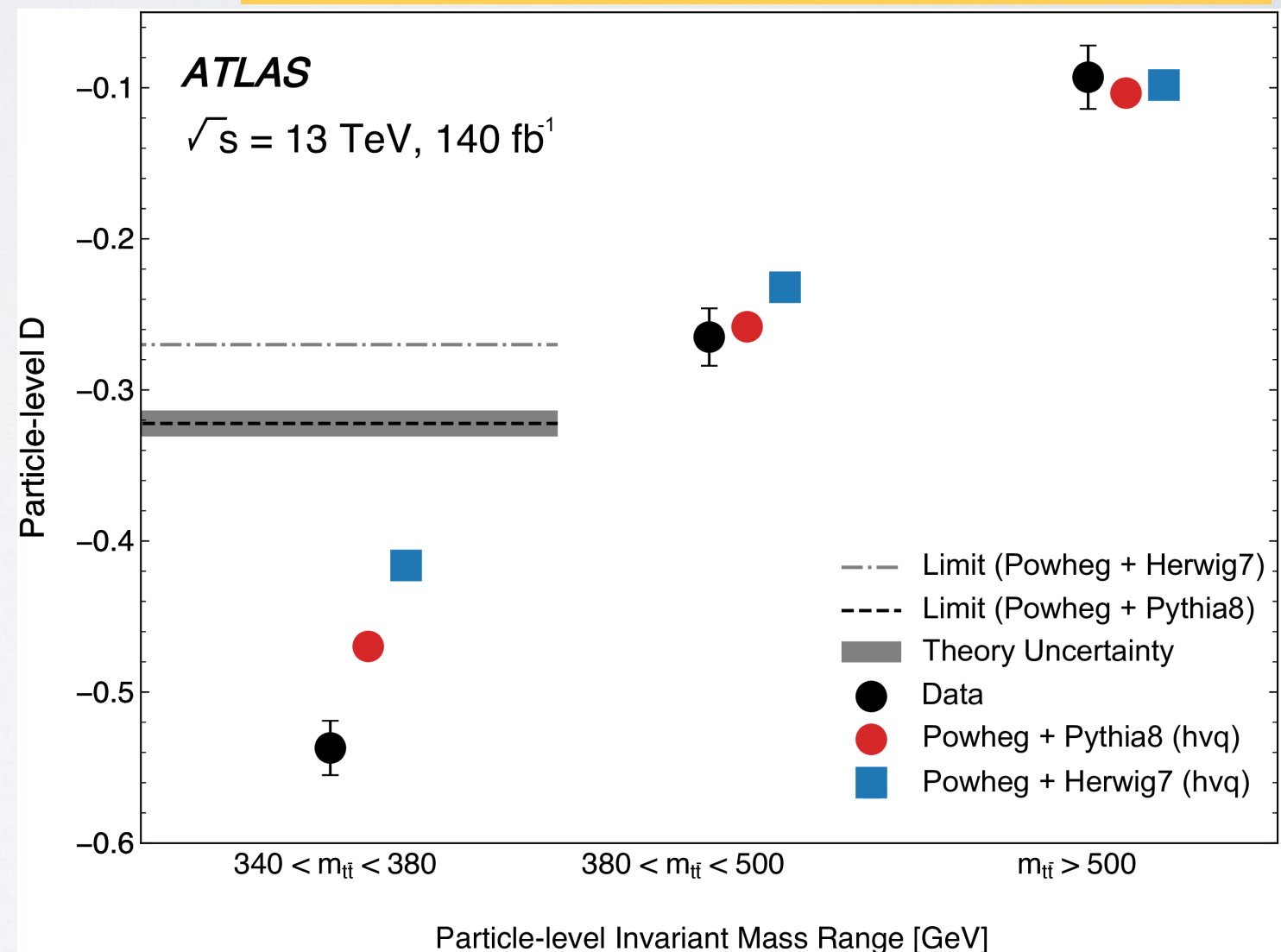
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Particle-Level D calibration curve



Particle-Level D results, in signal and validation regions



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Source of uncertainties by group

Source of uncertainty	$\Delta D_{\text{observed}} (D = -0.537)$	ΔD [%]	$\Delta D_{\text{expected}} (D = -0.470)$	ΔD [%]
Signal modeling	0.017	3.2	0.015	3.2
Electrons	0.002	0.4	0.002	0.4
Muons	0.001	0.2	0.001	0.1
Jets	0.004	0.7	0.004	0.8
b -tagging	0.002	0.4	0.002	0.4
Pile-up	< 0.001	< 0.1	< 0.001	< 0.1
$E_{\text{T}}^{\text{miss}}$	0.002	0.4	0.002	0.4
Backgrounds	0.005	0.9	0.005	1.1
Total statistical uncertainty	0.002	0.3	0.002	0.4
Total systematic uncertainty	0.019	3.5	0.017	3.6
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Signal modelling uncertainties

Systematic uncertainty source	Relative size (for SM D value)
Top-quark decay	1.6%
Parton distribution function	1.2%
Recoil scheme	1.1%
Final-state radiation	1.1%
Scale uncertainties	1.1%
NNLO QCD + NLO EW reweighting	1.1%
pT _{hard} setting	0.8%
Top-quark mass	0.7%
Initial-state radiation	0.2%
Parton shower and hadronization	0.2%
h_{damp} setting	0.1%

- More than 5 s.d. significance
- First observation of entanglement in quark-antiquark pair

POLARISATION & SPIN CORRELATION

- Tops from QCD $t\bar{t}$ production are unpolarised at LO. Their spins are strongly correlated
- Spin correlations depend on production mechanism, $m(t\bar{t})$ and scattering angle of top quark
- Measurement targets Polarisation vectors and Spin Matrix coefficients based on the angular distributions of $t\bar{t}$ decay products

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13 TeV, 138 fb⁻¹



Complements analysis in dilepton channel, ROPP 87 (2024) 117801 36 fb⁻¹

Signature: 1 Electron or 1 Muon, ≥ 4 jets ($\geq 1b$); a Neural Net reconstructs $t\bar{t}$ system events from e/ μ +jets seed

Method: Entanglement markers for both low- and high-mass of the $t\bar{t}$ system, i.e. for spin-singlet (D) and spin-triplet ($\tilde{D}$) states

Differential cross-section

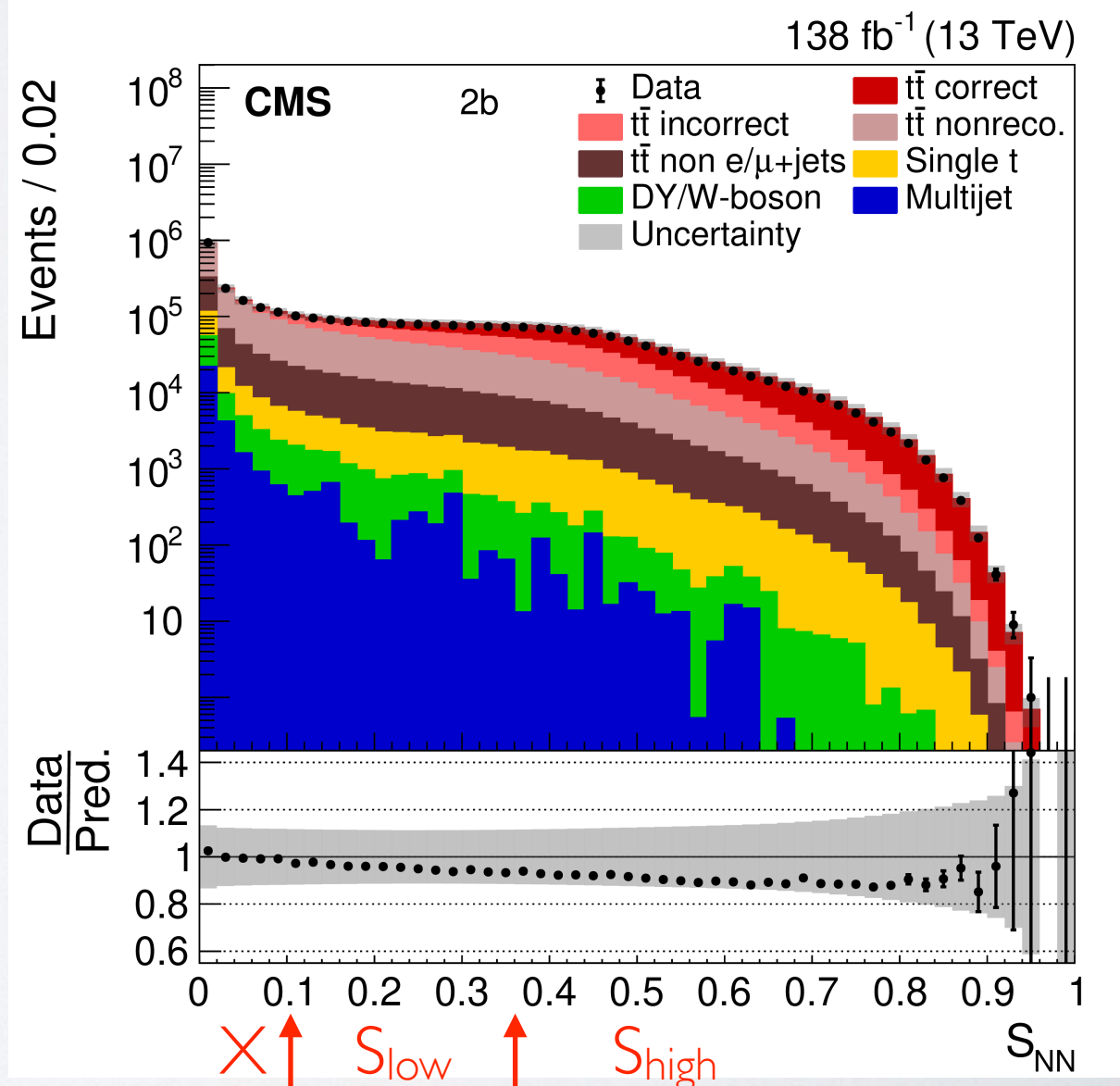
$$\begin{aligned}\Sigma_{\text{tot}}(\phi_{p(\bar{p})}, \theta_{p(\bar{p})}) &= \frac{d^4\sigma}{d\phi_p d\cos(\theta_p) d\phi_{\bar{p}} d\cos(\theta_{\bar{p}})} \\ &= \sigma_{\text{norm}}(1 + \kappa \mathbf{P} \cdot \mathbf{\Omega} + \bar{\kappa} \bar{\mathbf{P}} \cdot \bar{\mathbf{\Omega}} - \kappa \bar{\kappa} \mathbf{\Omega} \cdot (C \bar{\mathbf{\Omega}})),\end{aligned}$$

C: spin correlation matrix

$\mathbf{P}, \bar{\mathbf{P}}$: polarisation vectors

$\mathbf{\Omega}, \bar{\mathbf{\Omega}}$: direction of decay products

S_{NN} in the 2- b jets category



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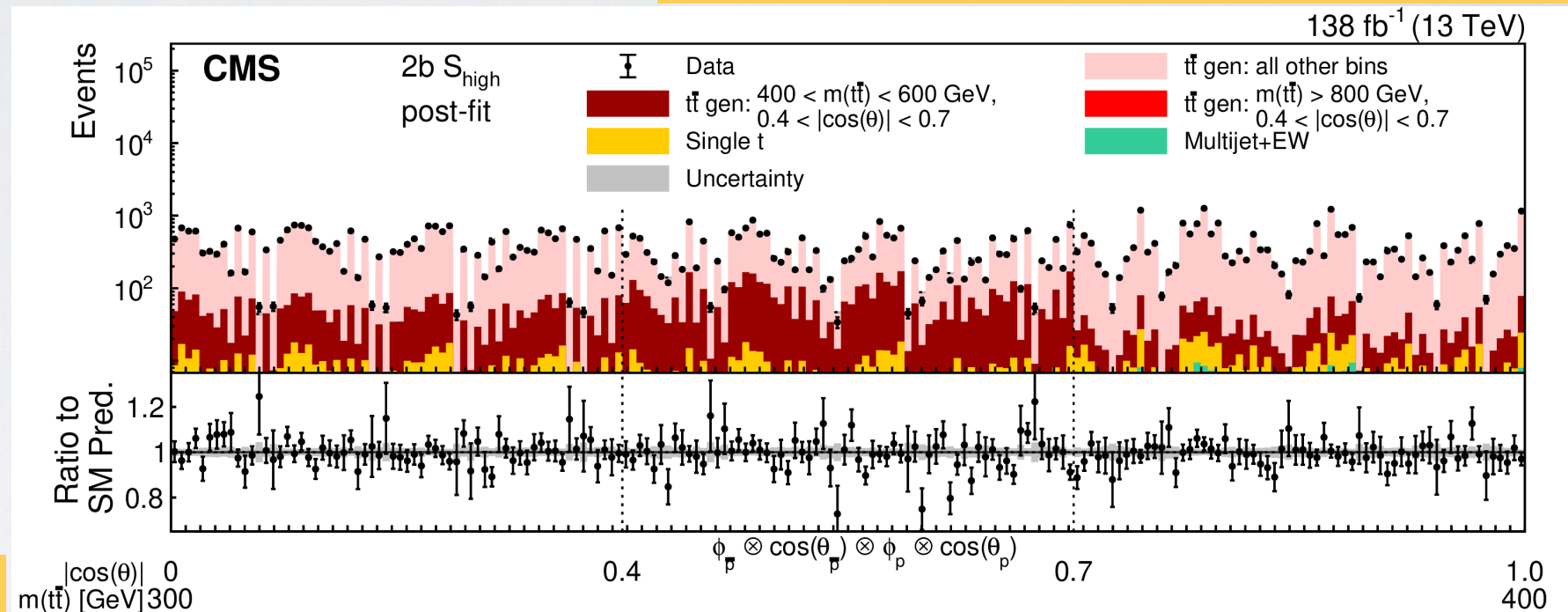
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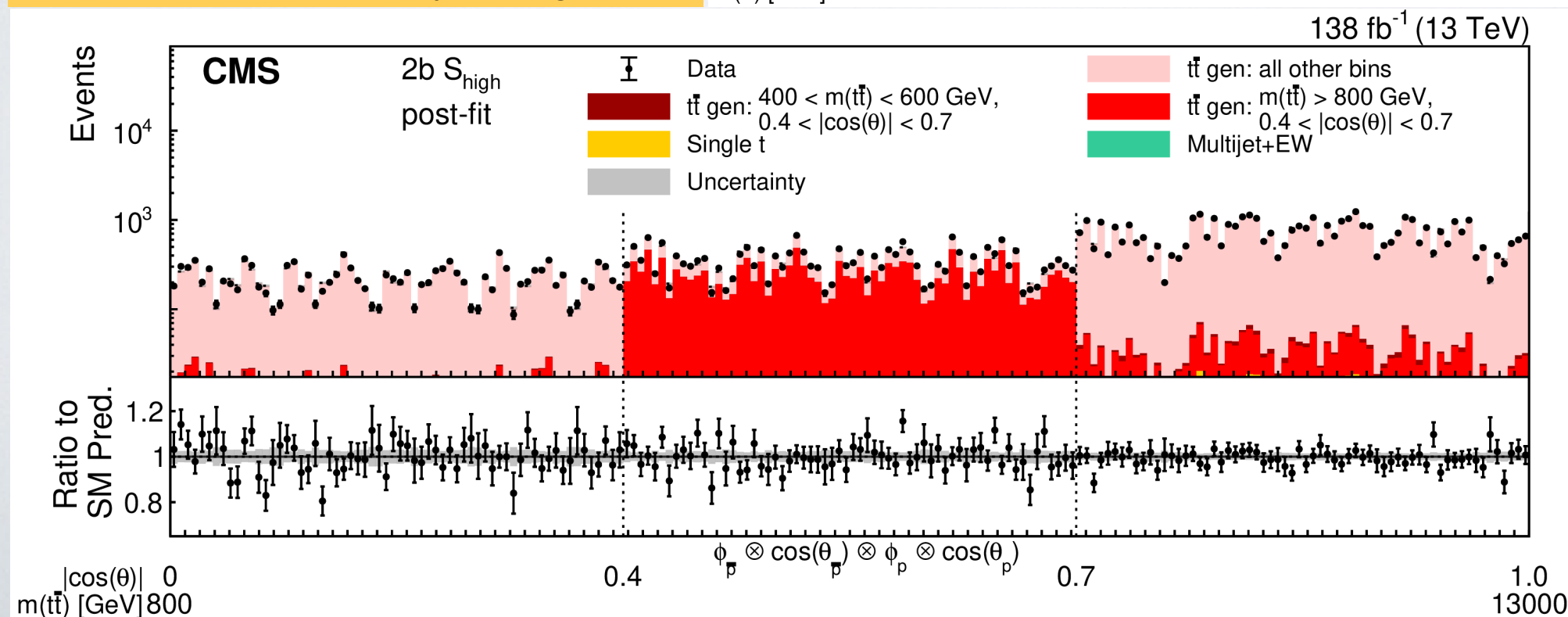
- Differential cross section fit for the polarisation and spin correlation, in bins of $m(t\bar{t})$ vs. $|\cos\theta|$ and $p_T(t)$ vs. $|\cos\theta|$
- Maximul likelihood fit of 4 selections ($2b S_{\text{high}}$, $2b S_{\text{low}}$, $1b S_{\text{high}}$, $1b S_{\text{low}}$) and 4 data-taking periods

- Fit for polarisation and spin-correlation, or for entanglement markers

Post-fit differential event-yeld, low mass



Post-fit differential event-yeld, high mass



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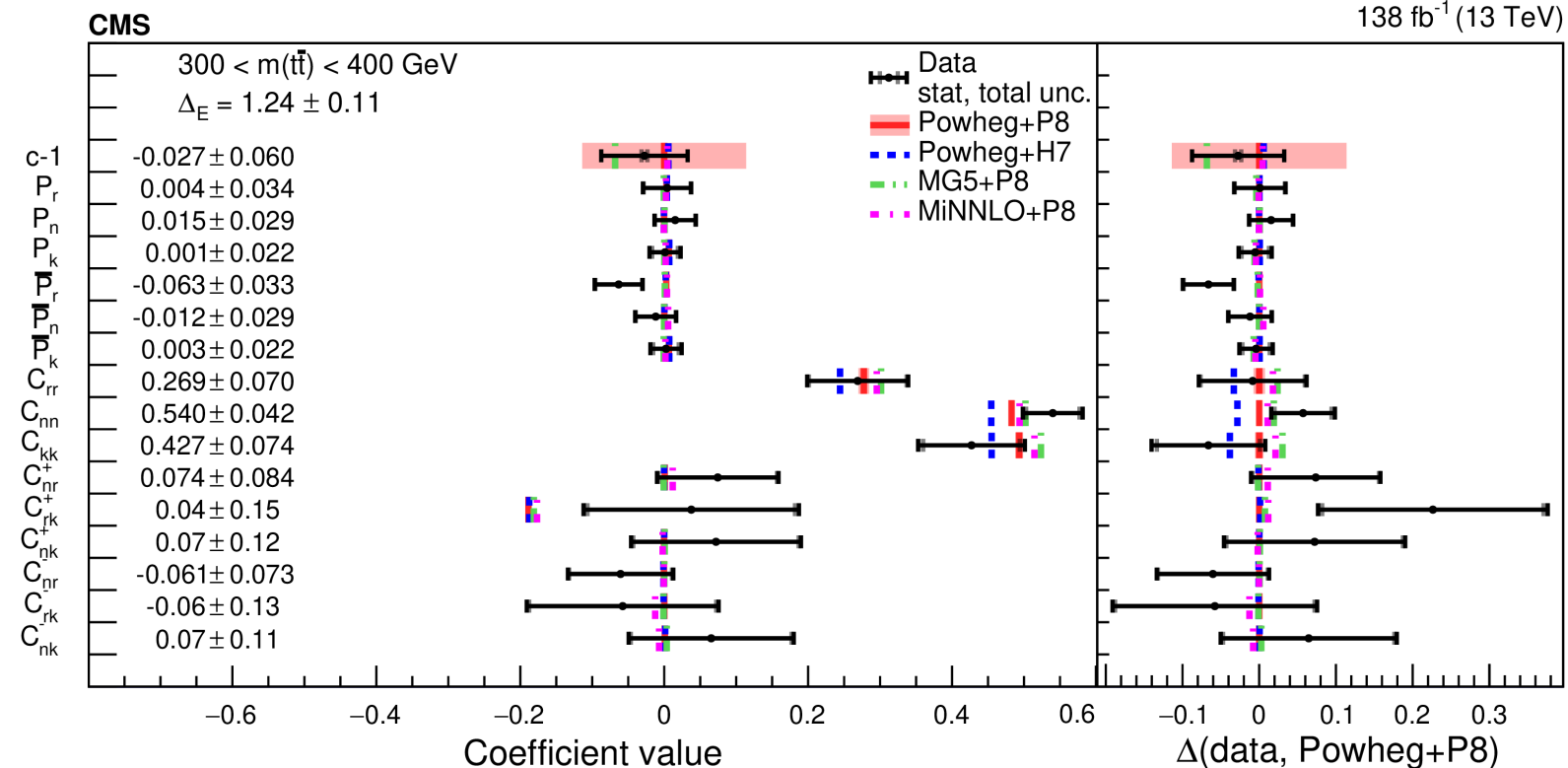
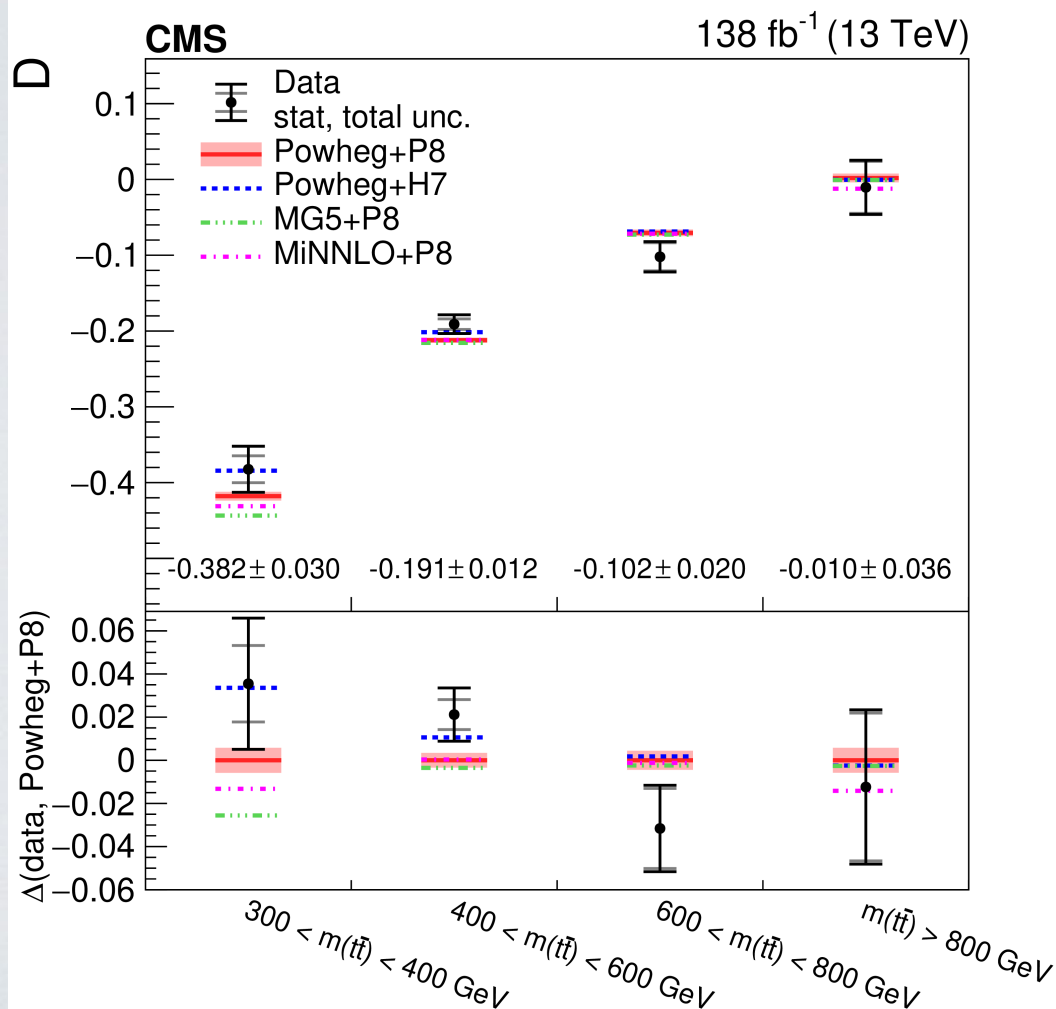
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- Polarisations compatible with zero
- Diagonal C_{nn} , C_{kk} and C_{rk} differ from zero
- Stronger entanglement in D seen for $p_T(t) < 50$ GeV (3.5 s.d.) and in $\tilde{D}$ for $m_{t\bar{t}} > 800$ GeV (6.7 s.d.)

Full matrix measurement for low- $m_{t\bar{t}}$ showing $D < -1/3$

D measurement in regions of $m_{t\bar{t}}$



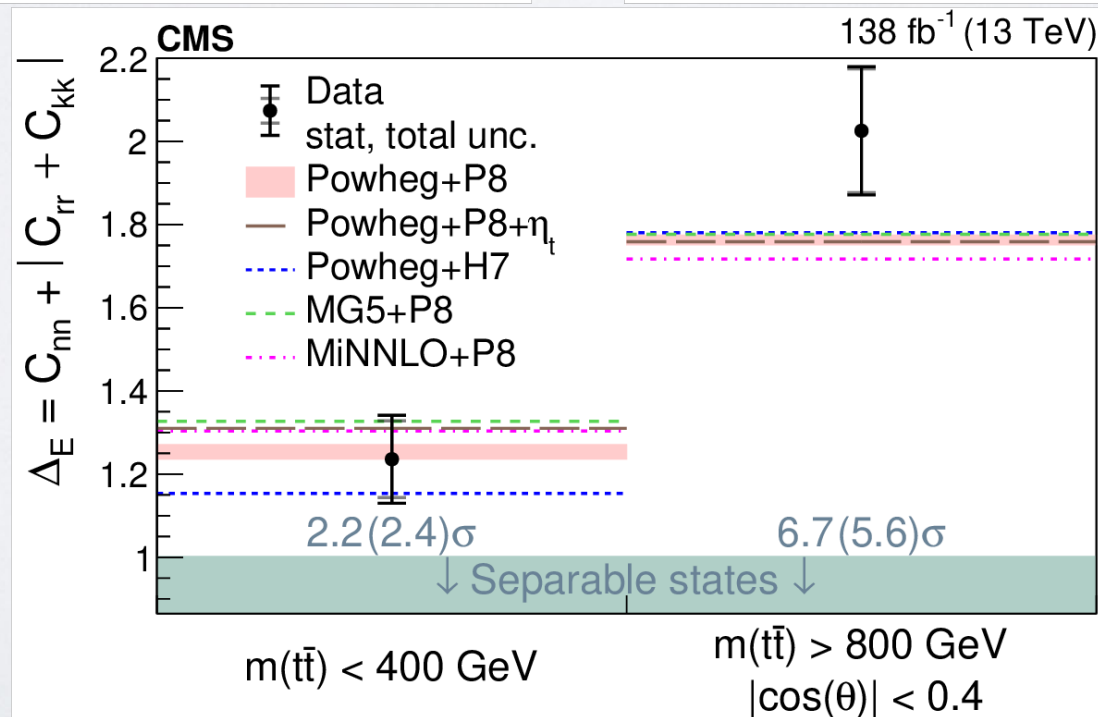
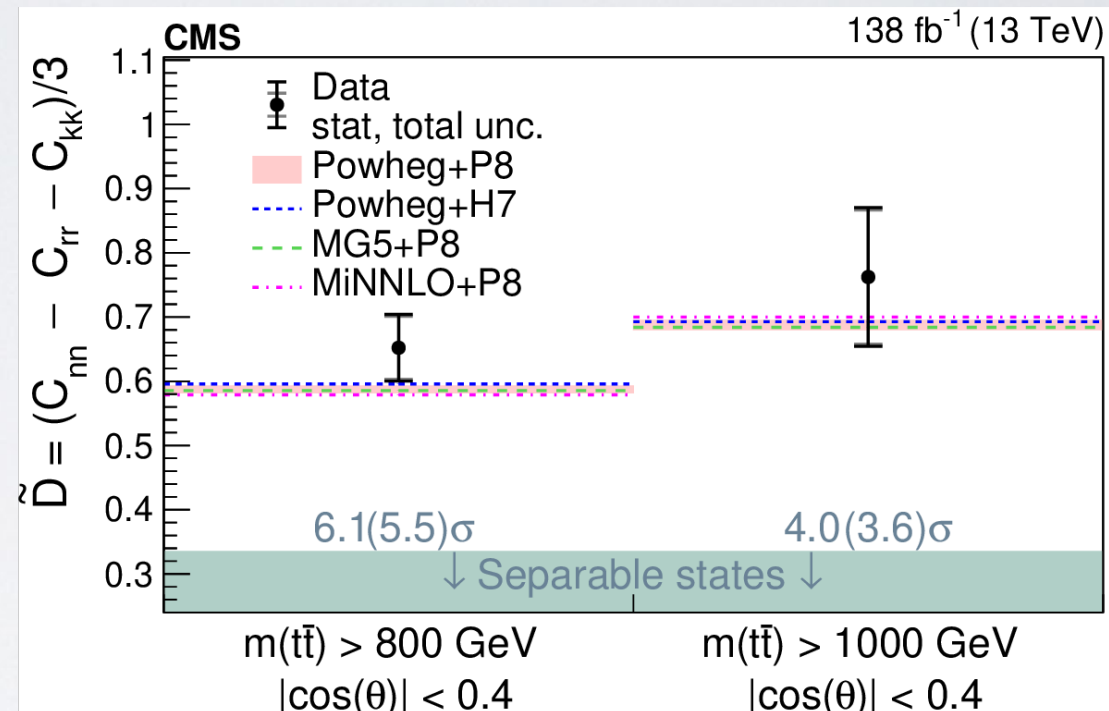
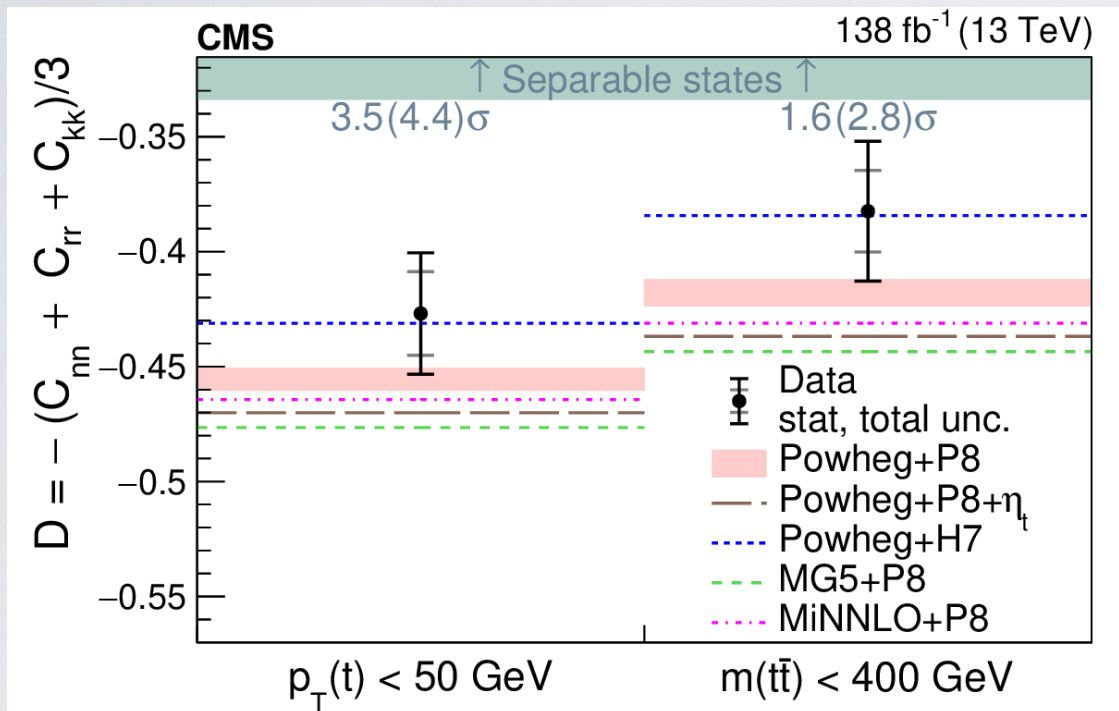
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Entanglement results for the D measurement in the threshold region (upper left), $\tilde{D}$ measurement in the high- m ($t\bar{t}$) region (upper right), and the full matrix measurement in different m ($t\bar{t}$) regions (lower).

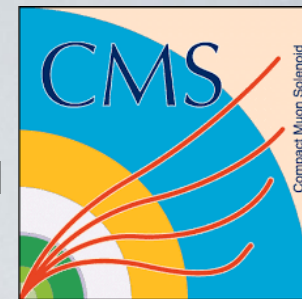


○ First observation of entanglement at high $t\bar{t}$ mass, as predicted by the Standard Model

INTERPRETATION of RESULTS

CMS-PAS-TOP-25-001

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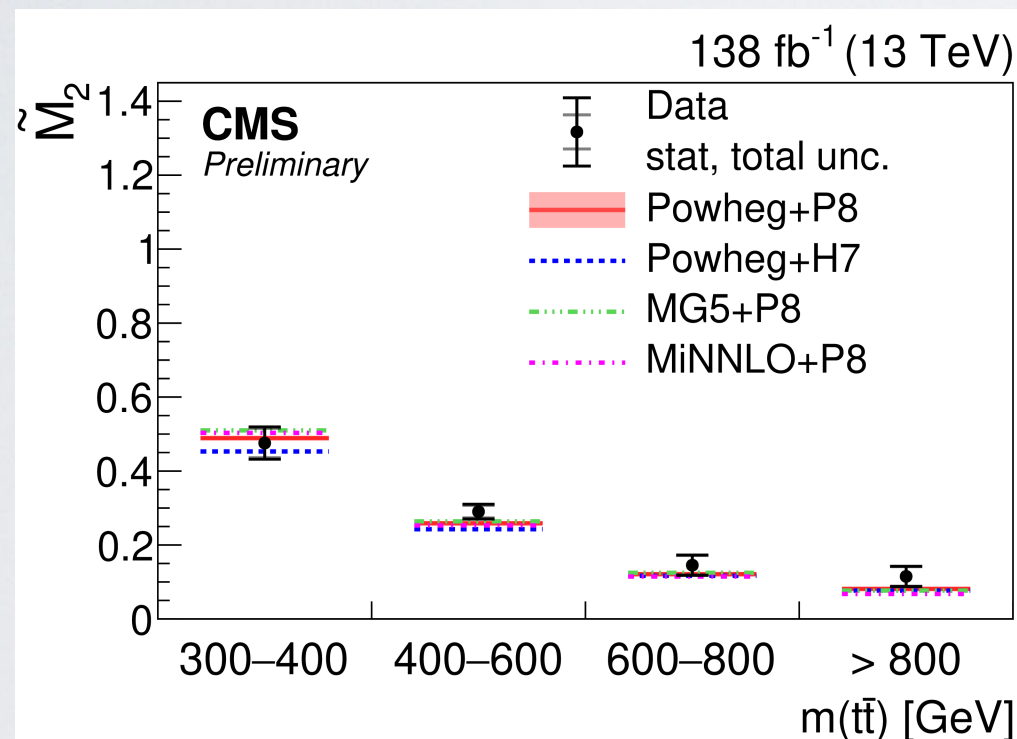


- The measurement of the top anti(quark) polarisation and their spin correlation coefficients can also be interpreted in terms of “magic of quantum states” (M_2)
- Property M_2 of quantum states quantifying the potential computational advantage over classical states. High M_2 indicates more advantage:

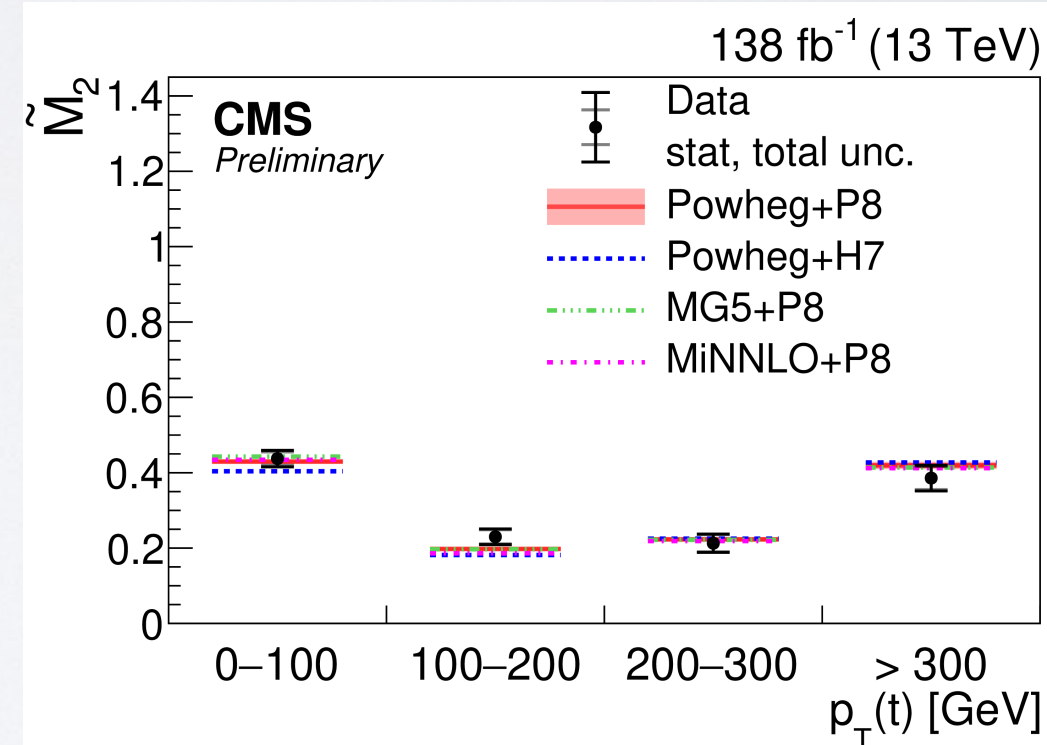
$$\tilde{M}_2 = -\log_2 \left(\frac{1 + \sum_{i \in n, k, r} [(P_i^4 + \bar{P}_i^4)] + \sum_{i, j \in n, k, r} C_{ij}^4}{1 + \sum_{i \in n, k, r} [(P_i^2 + \bar{P}_i^2)] + \sum_{i, j \in n, k, r} C_{ij}^2} \right)$$

P_i : polarisation coefficients
 C_{ij} : Spin correlation coefficients

M_2 in bins of $m(t\bar{t})$



M_2 in bins of p_T (top)



- Good agreement with the Standard Model
- Highest M_2 at the production threshold, while near constant with low top quark scattering angle in the $t\bar{t}$ rest frame, and variable with p_T (top)

TOP QUARK MASS: DIRECT



- Direct top mass measurement in events with high transverse momentum of the top quark
- Uses hadronically decaying top quark to a large-radius jet (“top-jet”)

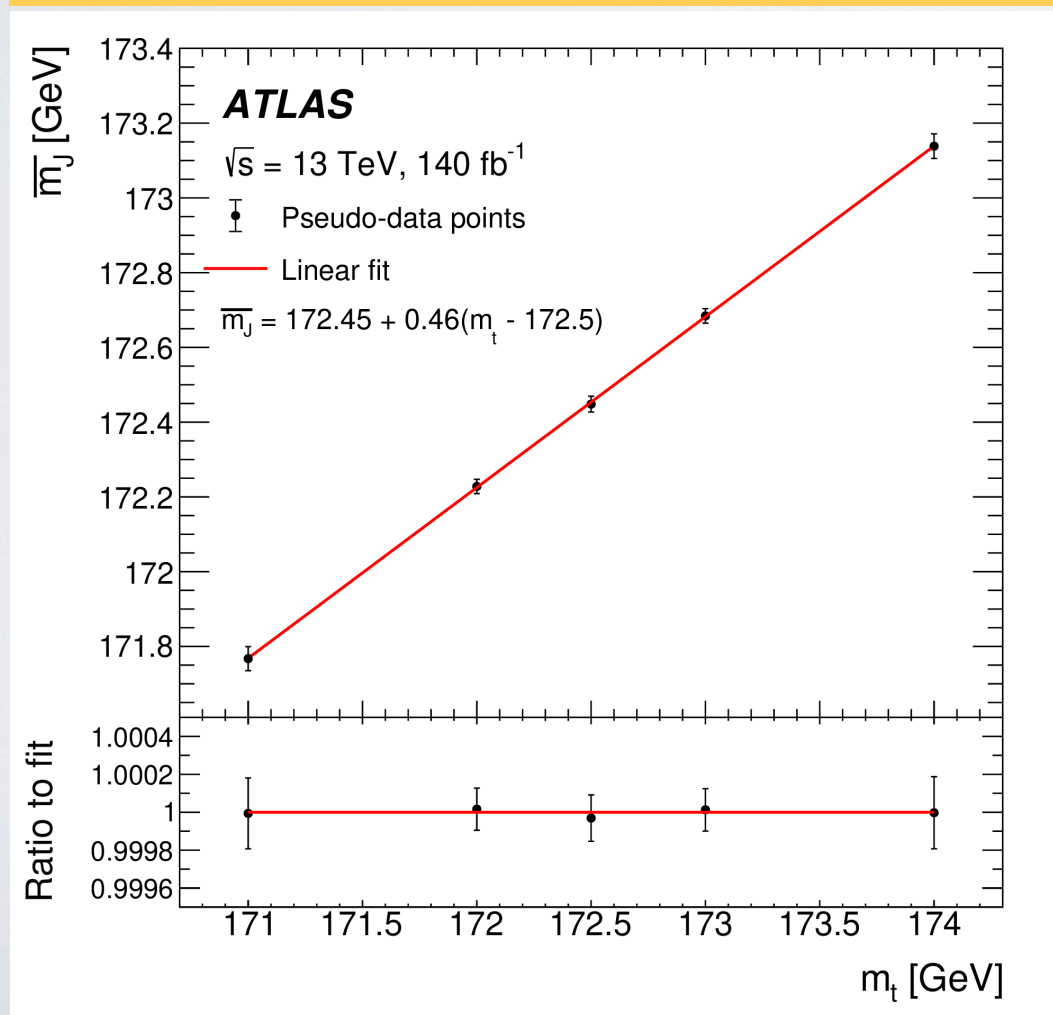
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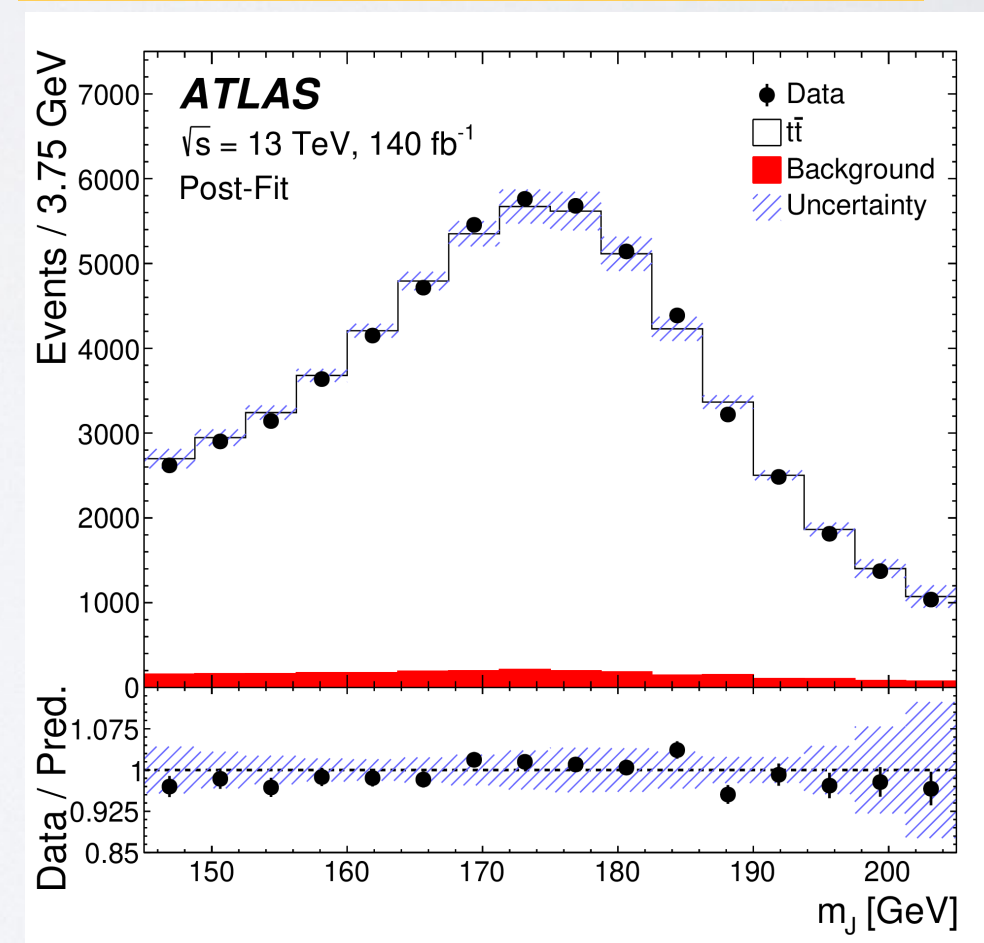
Signature: 1 lepton (e or μ) + large-R jet + ≥ 1 b-jet. $\Delta R(e, J) > 1.0$

Method: Fit to mean value of invariant mass of the large-R (top) jet. Profile likelihood to 2 other variables to limit systematic uncertainties, m_{jj} and m_{tj}

Dependence of large-R jet mass on top quark mass



Post-fit expectation for the m_J distribution



TOP QUARK MASS: DIRECT

- Significant improvement over previous ATLAS measurements
- Good agreement with other measurements
- Non-negligible statistical uncertainty



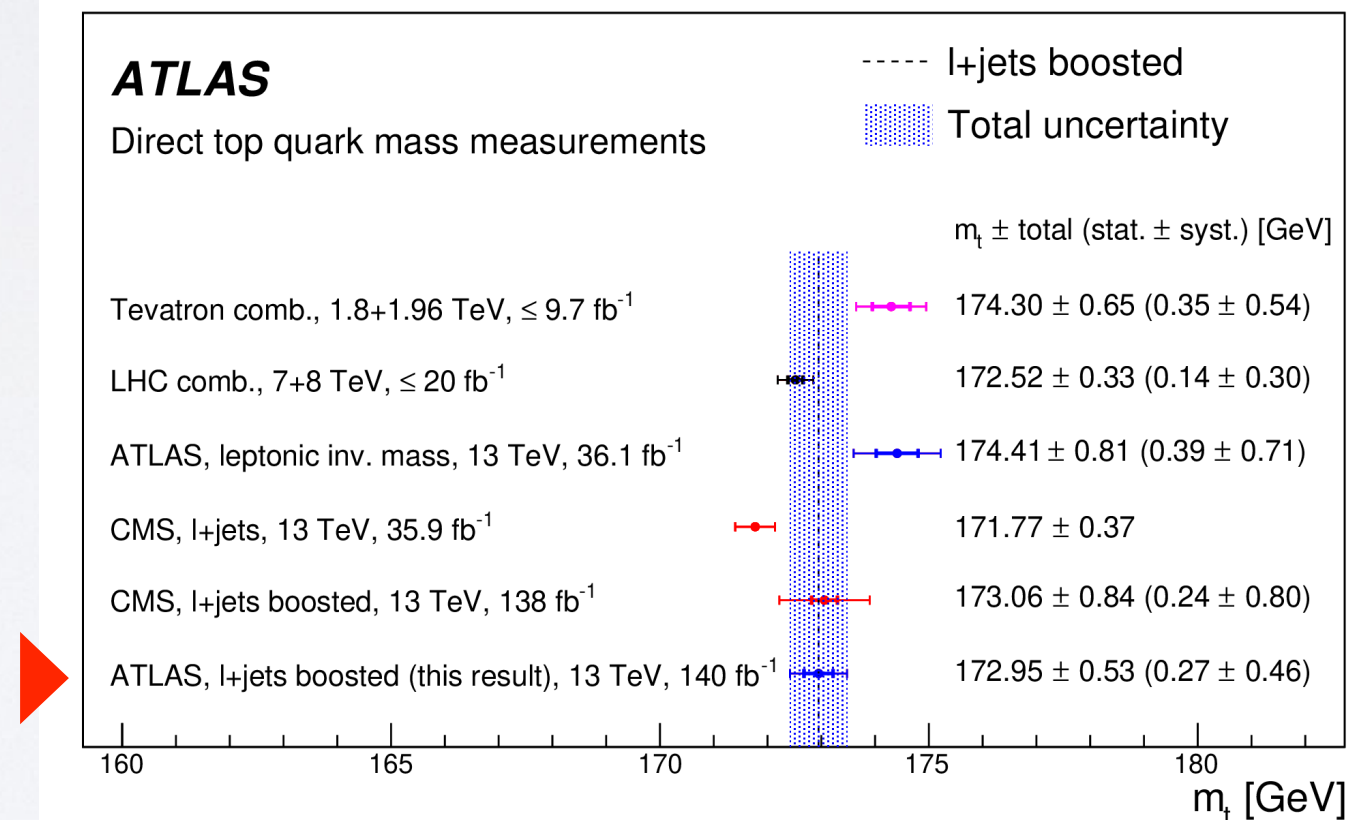
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Grouped breakdown of the uncertainty sources

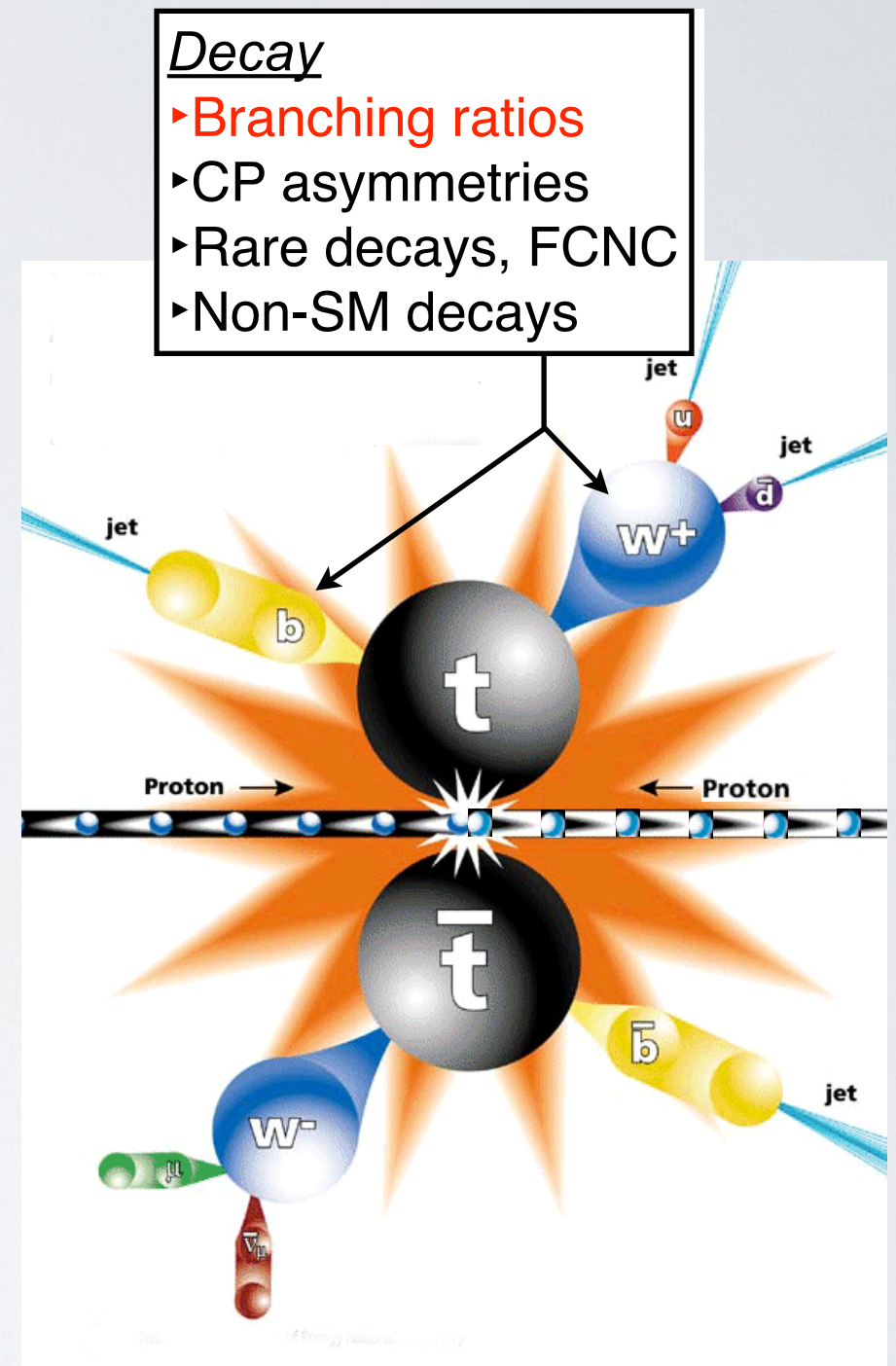
Source	Uncertainty [GeV]
JES	± 0.29
Radiation (ISR and FSR)	± 0.17
Colour reconnection (CR1 and CR2)	± 0.15
JES heavy flavour	± 0.14
Parton shower and hadronisation model	± 0.14
JER	± 0.10
MC statistics	± 0.08
Underlying event	± 0.08
Recoil	± 0.07
Fit closure	± 0.07
Background modelling	± 0.05
Matrix element matching ($p_T^{\text{hard}} = 1$)	± 0.04
b -tagging	± 0.04
Higher-order corrections	± 0.02
E_T^{miss}	± 0.02
Pileup	± 0.01
JVT	± 0.01
PDF	± 0.01
Leptons	± 0.01
Luminosity	< 0.01
Total statistical	± 0.27
Total systematic	± 0.46
Total	± 0.53

This measurement, compared to selected m_t determinations



PART 2: DECAY

- Test of SM (production, decay, coupling....etc)
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LFU IN W-BOSON TO e/μ FROM TOP DECAY

- Lepton Flavour Universality (LFU) is a key axiom of the S.M.
- Measurement of the $t\bar{t}$ production cross section in $ee, e\mu, \mu\mu$ final states allows LFU test, to address “anomalies” reported in b -hadron decays
- Determines the ratio of BR's: $R_W^{\mu/e} = B(W \rightarrow \mu\nu)/B(W \rightarrow e\nu)$
- In PDG: $R_W^{\mu/e} = 1.002 \pm 0.006$

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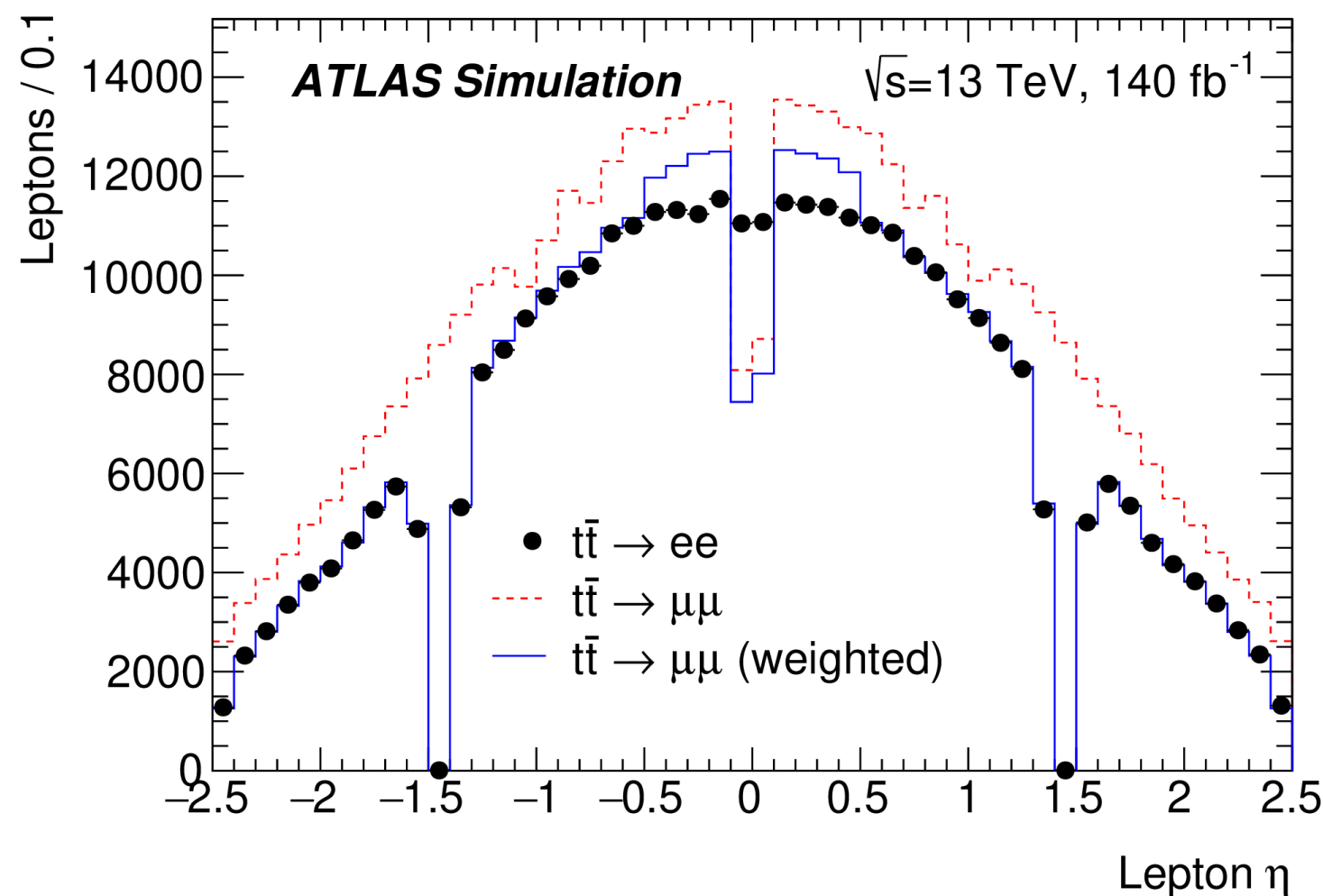
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Signature: Two electrons and muons of opposite electric charges: $ee, \mu\mu, e\mu$
- 1 or 2 b -tagged jets from the $t\bar{t}$ production

Method: Simultaneous measurement of the ratio of BR's for $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$ and $Z \rightarrow ee$

$$R_{WZ}^{\mu/e} = \frac{R_W^{\mu/e}}{\sqrt{R_Z^{\mu\mu/ee}}} = \frac{\mathcal{B}(W \rightarrow \mu\nu)}{\mathcal{B}(W \rightarrow e\nu)} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{\mathcal{B}(Z \rightarrow ee)}{\mathcal{B}(Z \rightarrow \mu\mu)}}$$

Number of leptons in simulated selected $t\bar{t}$ events



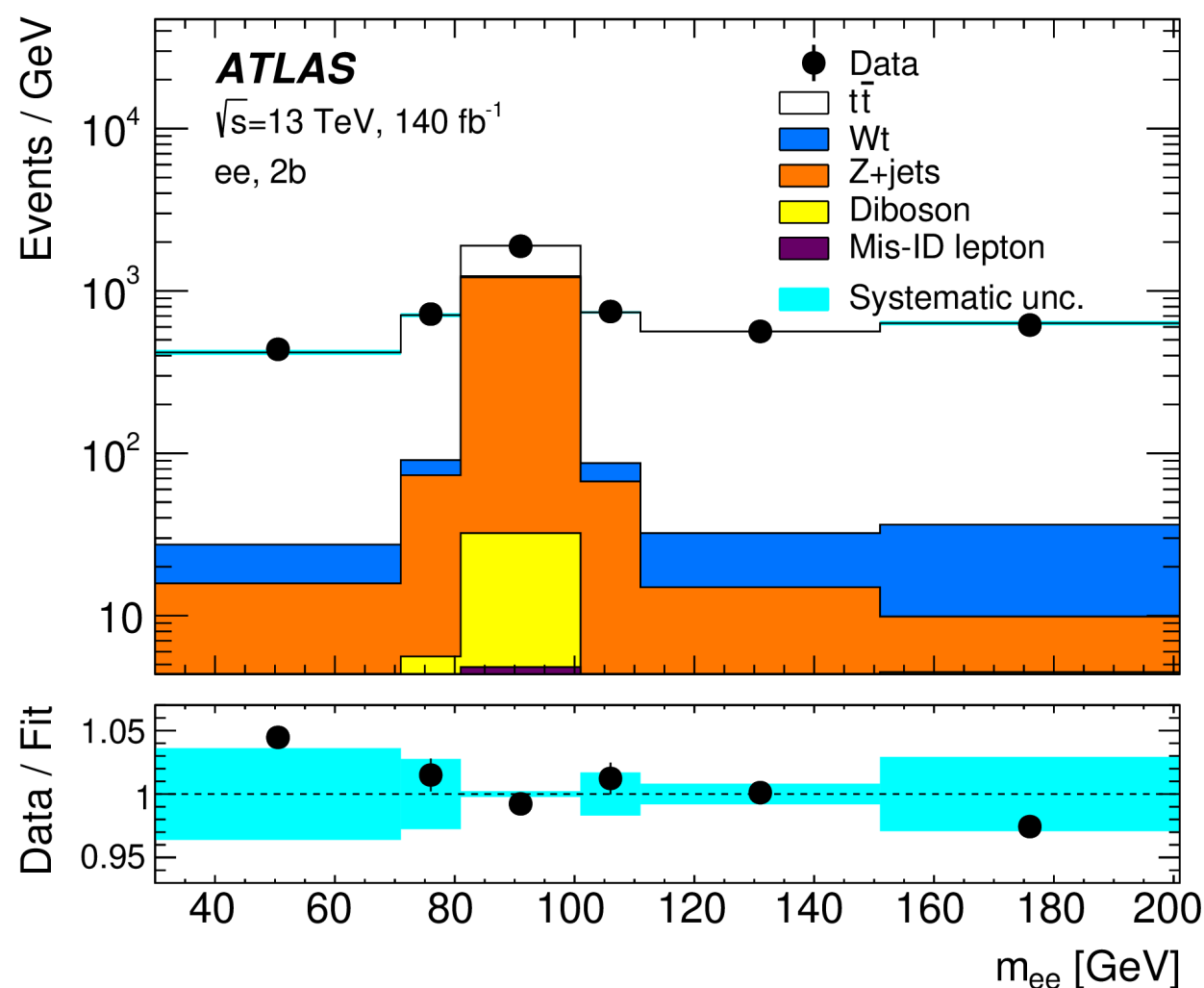
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- Single maximum likelihood fit with Gaussian formulation to the observed event counts
- 10 free parameters: 4 parameters of interest, plus 3 b -tag jet efficiencies, 2 Zj backgrounds and 1 Zj isolation efficiency propagated to $t\bar{t}$

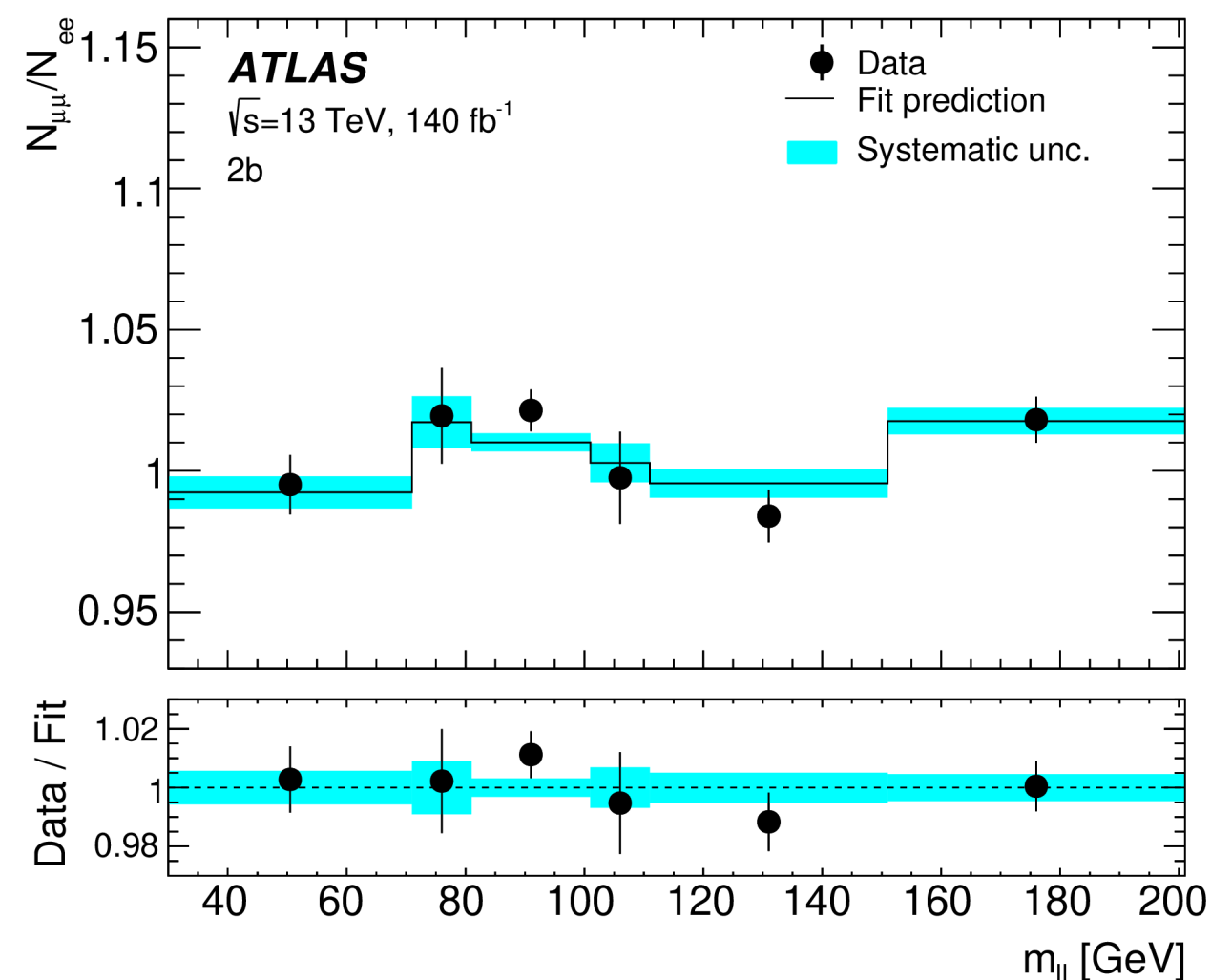
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Fit to data, invariant mass distribution



Ratio of the number of events in the $\mu\mu$ channel divided by that in the ee channel



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Measured value of $R_{WZ}^{\mu/e}$ converted to $R_W^{\mu/e}$ using $R_{Z-ext}^{\mu\mu/ee} = 1.0009 \pm 0.0028$

$$R_W^{\mu/e} = R_{WZ}^{\mu/e} \sqrt{R_{Z-ext}^{\mu\mu/ee}} = 0.9995 \pm 0.0022 \text{ (stat)} \pm 0.0036 \text{ (syst)} \pm 0.0014 \text{ (ext)}$$

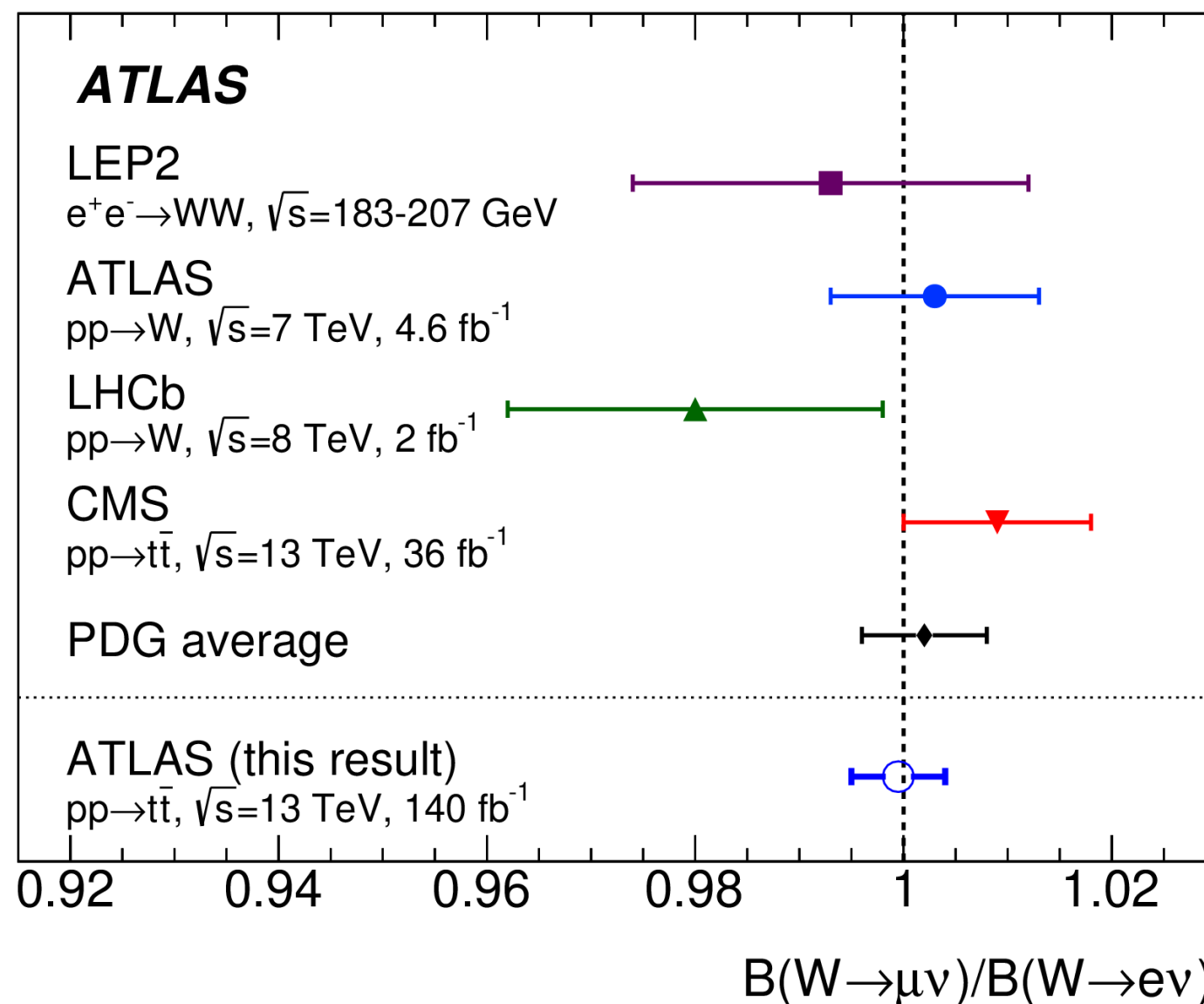
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Limited by lepton ID, Z+jets modelling, and Parton Density Functions

Higher precision than the previous World Average

Measurement of $R_W^{\mu/e}$ from this analysis compared to previous results



LFU IN W-BOSON TO e/τ FROM TOP DECAY

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Complements $R_{\tau/\mu}$ and $R_{\mu/e}$

○ Measurement of the $t\bar{t}$ production cross section, distinguishing

$$W \rightarrow \tau \nu_\tau \text{ (with } \tau \rightarrow e \nu_e \nu_\tau \text{) and } W \rightarrow e \nu_e$$

○ Determines the ratio of BR's: $R_{\tau/e} = B(W \rightarrow \tau \nu) / B(W \rightarrow (e \nu))$

○ Combined LEP: $R_{\tau/e} = 1.063 \pm 0.027$

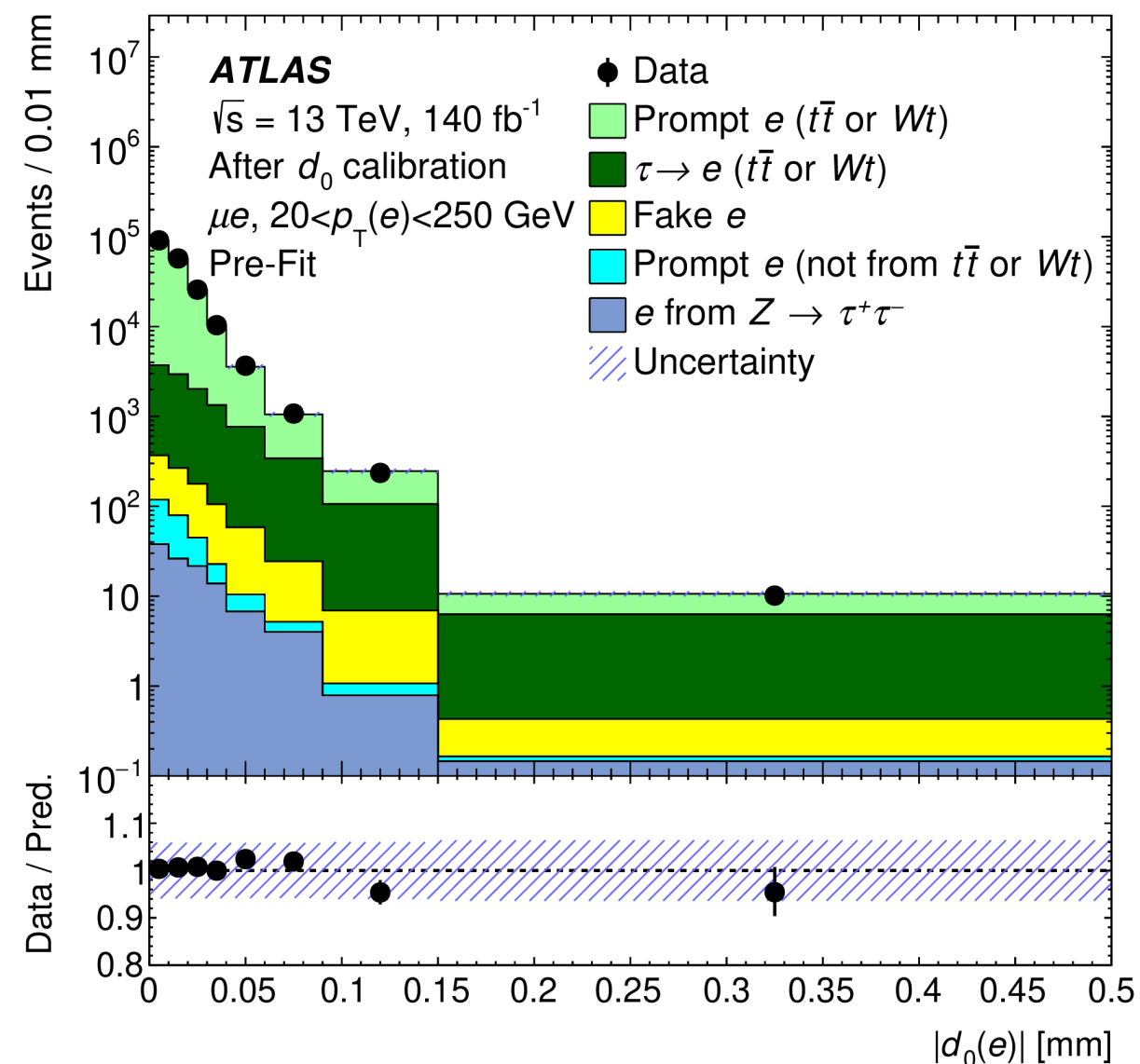
Signature: One tag electron or muon and one probe electron from $W \rightarrow e$ (prompt) or $W \rightarrow \tau \rightarrow e$

- Prompt case distinguished from τ with electron p_T and displacement of track
- ≥ 2 b-tag jets

Method:

- Calibration of d_0 in MC simulation from data $Z \rightarrow e^+e^-$ events
- Two-dimensional binned templated likelihood fit to the p_T and $|d_0|$ distributions

$|d_0(e)|$ distribution after calibration



LFU IN W-BOSON TO e/τ FROM TOP DECAY

- Number of events in simulation agrees with data across channels (μe and ee) and p_T bins
- Good agreement between data and simulation, both in total yield and shape

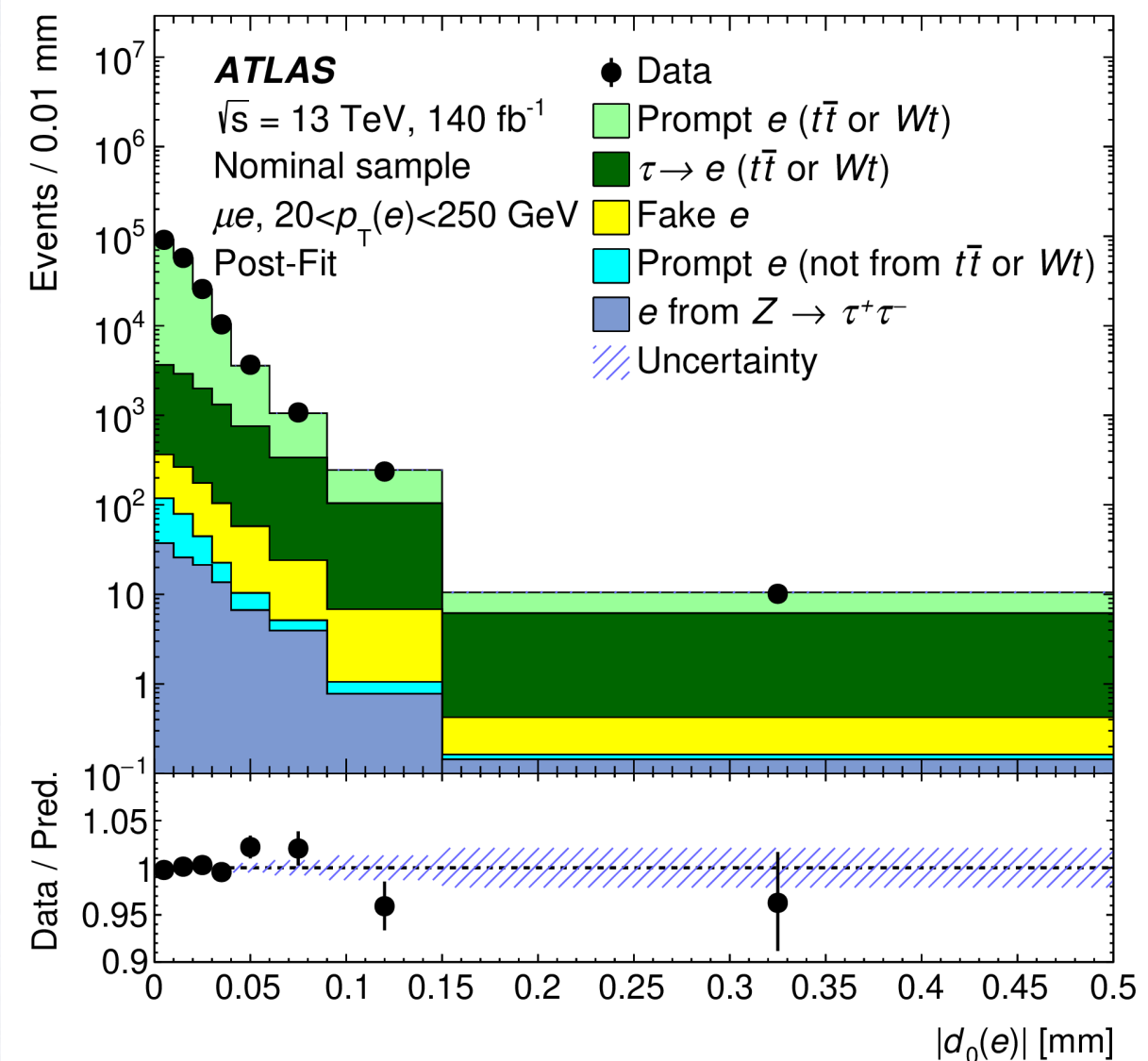
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Number of events in the μe channel from different sources, as estimated by the fit to the data

	μe $7 < p_T < 10 \text{ GeV}$		μe $10 < p_T < 20 \text{ GeV}$		μe $20 < p_T < 250 \text{ GeV}$	
Prompt $e(t\bar{t})$	1278	± 28	13370	± 150	178000	± 1000
e from $\tau(t\bar{t})$	1092	± 32	4490	± 100	11670	± 290
Prompt $e(Wt)$	34	± 6	340	± 60	5300	± 900
e from $\tau(Wt)$	28.0	± 2.5	119	± 16	380	± 110
Prompt e (not from $t\bar{t}$ or Wt)	5.2	± 1.5	23	± 7	180	± 50
e from $Z \rightarrow \tau^+\tau^-$	19.9	± 0.4	85.4	± 1.4	132.9	± 2.2
Fake e	317	± 22	380	± 33	840	± 60
Total predicted	2770	± 40	18880	± 120	196500	± 400
Data	2768		18783		196552	

Distribution of $|d_0|$ in data and simulation after fit, μe



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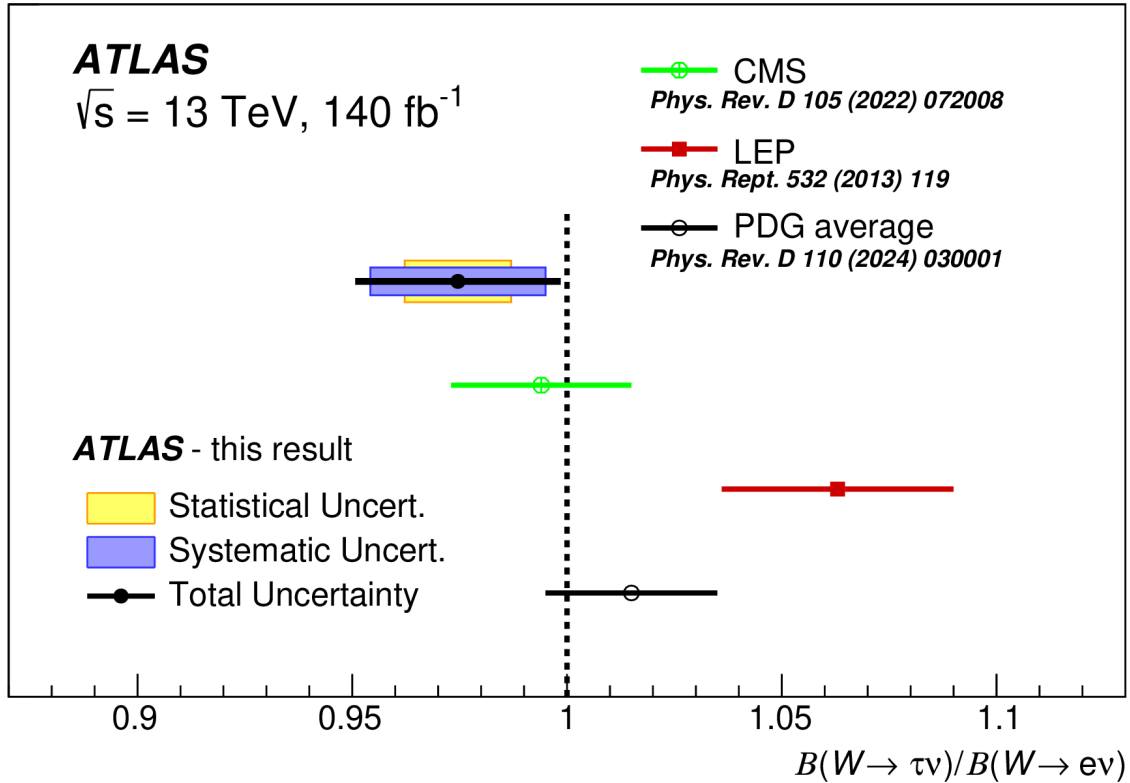
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Breakdown of statistical and systematic uncertainties

Uncertainty group	$\sigma(R_{\tau/e})$
Modelling of $t\bar{t}$ and Wt	0.011
d_0 calibration	0.006
Background estimation	0.005
Electron reconstruction, identification, and isolation	0.005
Electron energy scale	0.003
Electron energy resolution	0.002
Jet energy resolution	0.004
Jet energy scale	0.003
Jet b -tagging	0.002
Muon reconstruction, identification, and isolation	0.001
Other sources	0.002
Variation of k_{sig} and $k(\mu/e)$	0.003
Finite size of simulated samples	0.003
$B(W \rightarrow \tau\nu_\tau \rightarrow e\nu_e\nu_\tau\nu_\tau)$	0.002
Total systematical uncertainty	0.020
Data statistical uncertainty	0.012
Total uncertainty	0.024

Summary of measurements of $R_{\tau/e}$



Measured value:

$$R_{\tau/e} = 0.975 \pm 0.012 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 0.020 \text{ (syst.)}.$$

Measured values of $R_{\tau/e}$ in different p_T bins

p_T bin	$R_{\tau/e}$
$7 < p_T < 10 \text{ GeV}$	$1.13 \pm 0.11 \text{ (stat)} \pm 0.07 \text{ (syst)}$
$10 < p_T < 20 \text{ GeV}$	$0.93 \pm 0.04 \text{ (stat)} \pm 0.02 \text{ (syst)}$
$20 < p_T < 250 \text{ GeV}$	$0.98 \pm 0.04 \text{ (stat)} \pm 0.02 \text{ (syst)}$

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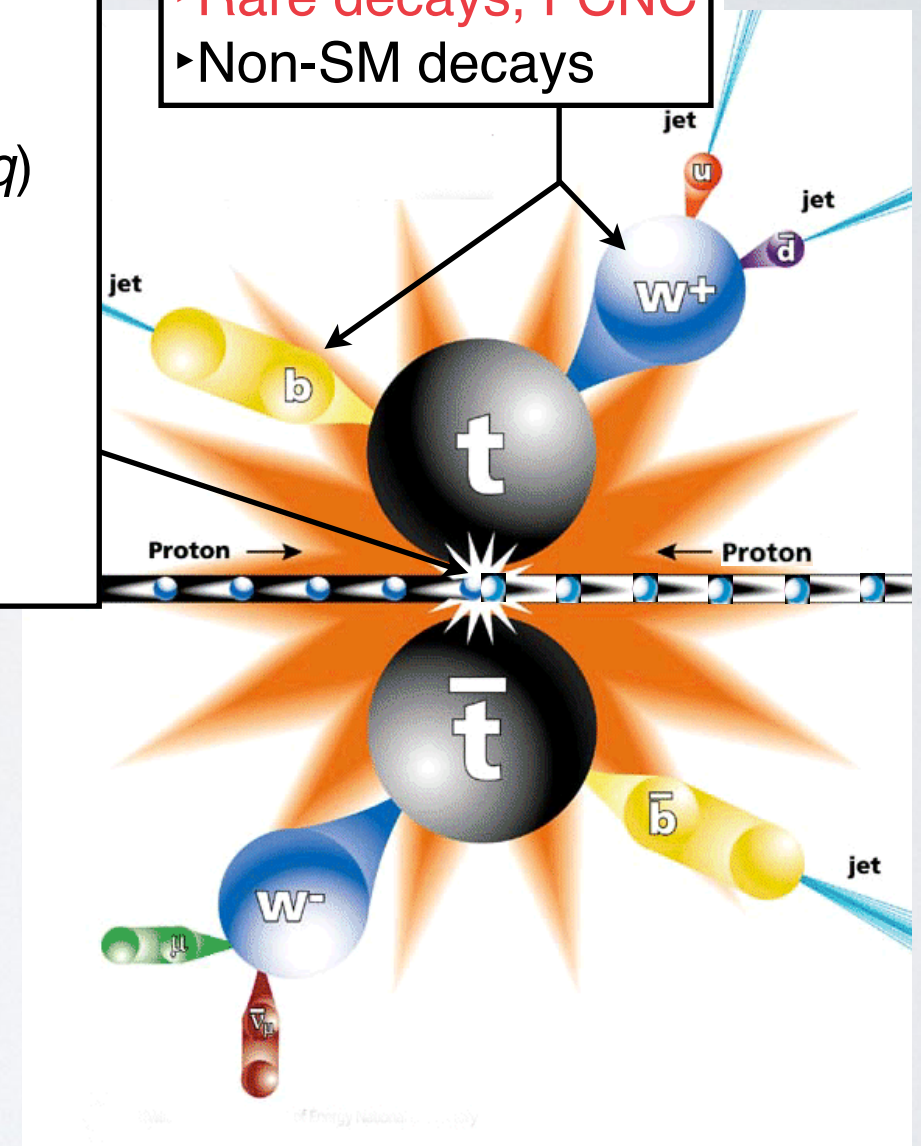
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FCNC OF TOP MEDIATED BY HIGGS BOSON

- Search for Flavour Changing Neutral Current in tHq and $t\bar{t}$ with $t \rightarrow Hq$ ($q=u,c$)
- Considers Higgs to WW , ZZ or $\tau\tau$
- SM predictions for these FCNC are of order $\mathcal{O}(\leq 10^{-15})$

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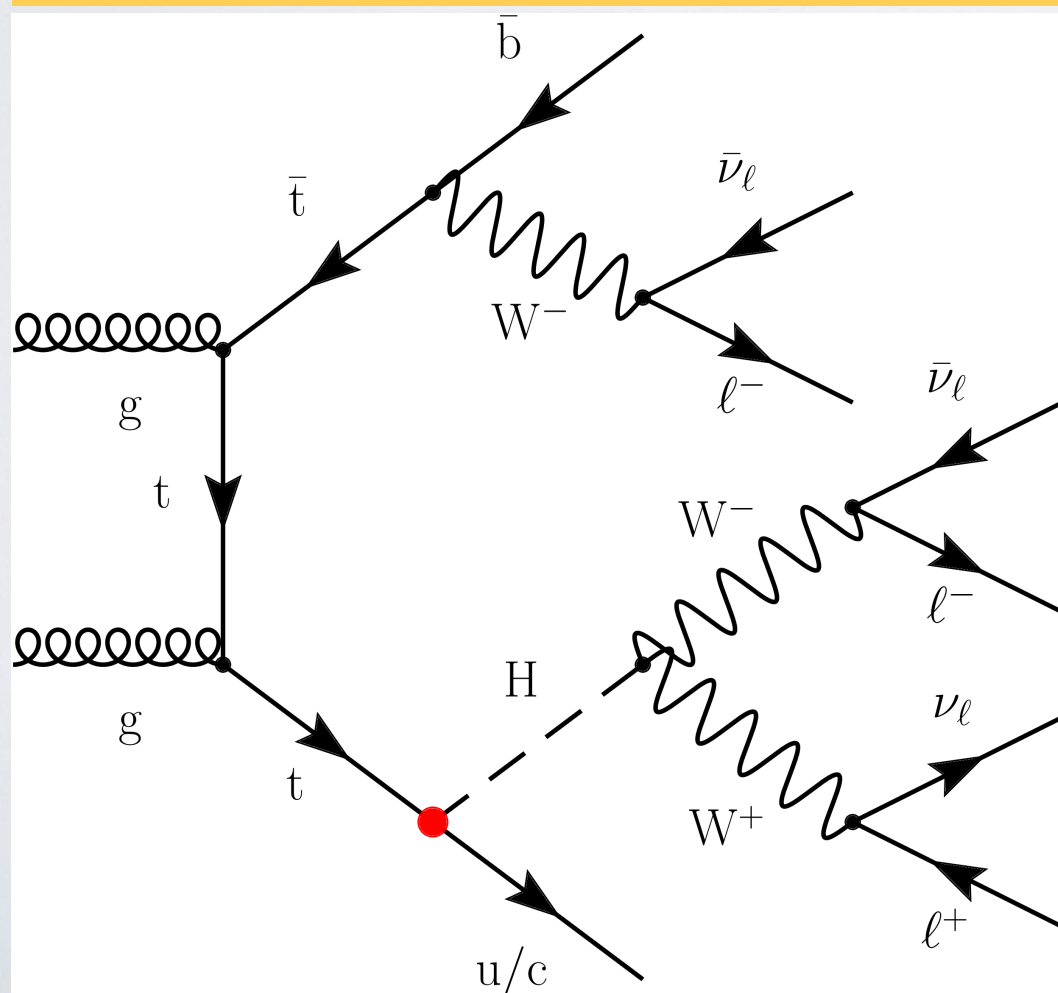
13 TeV, 140 fb⁻¹

Signature: 2 leptons Same Sign or 3 leptons; ≥ 1 jet (≥ 1 b-jet)

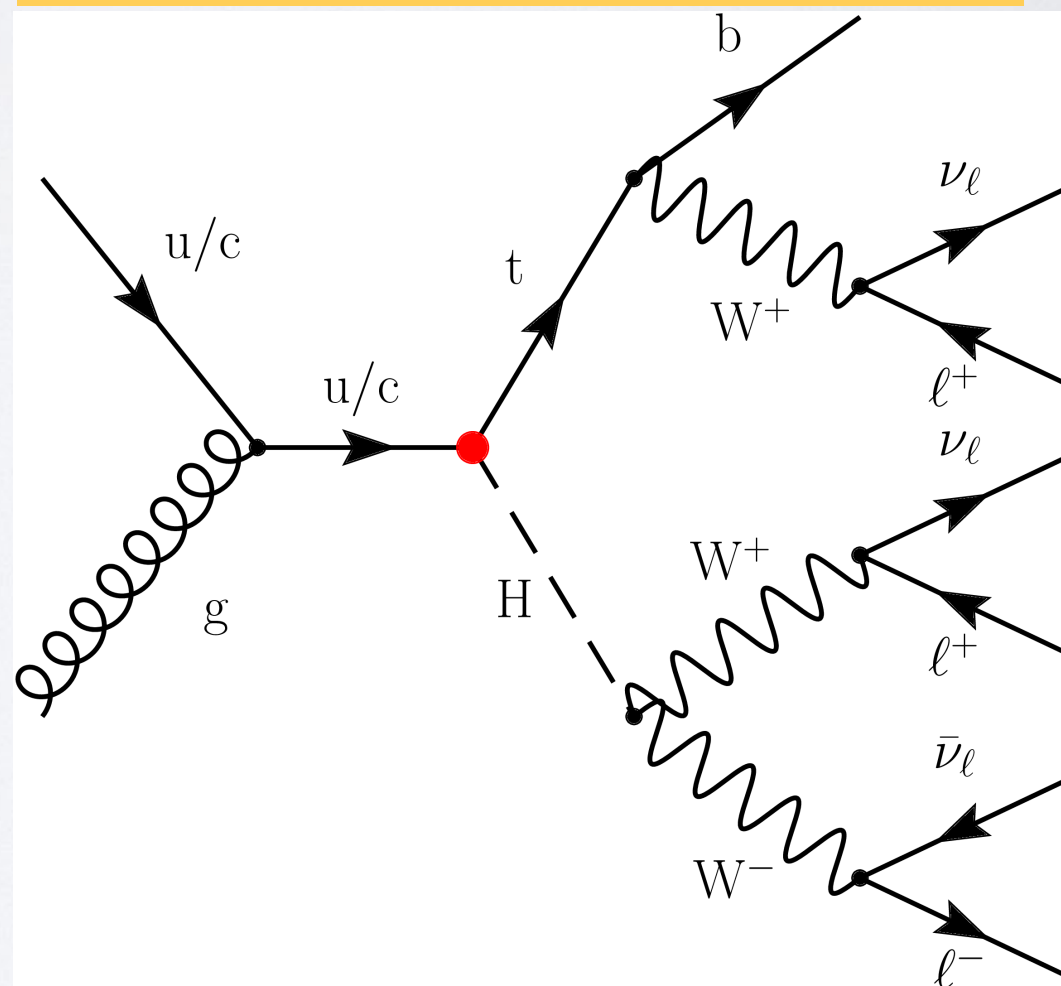
Updates an earlier analysis with 36.1 fb⁻¹

Method: Single discriminant using feed-forward neural network in signal region, then maximum-likelihood fit

Feynman diagrams of the $t\bar{t}(t \rightarrow Hq)$ decay signal process resulting in the 3 ℓ final state



Feynman diagrams of the $gq \rightarrow Ht$ production signal process resulting in the 3 ℓ final state.



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- Four signal regions (2 each for production and decay); 7 control regions for backgrounds
- Combinatorics addressed with Recursive Jigsaw Reconstruction and Neutrino estimator
- NeuroBayes implementation for a discriminant $D_{NN} = [0,1]$

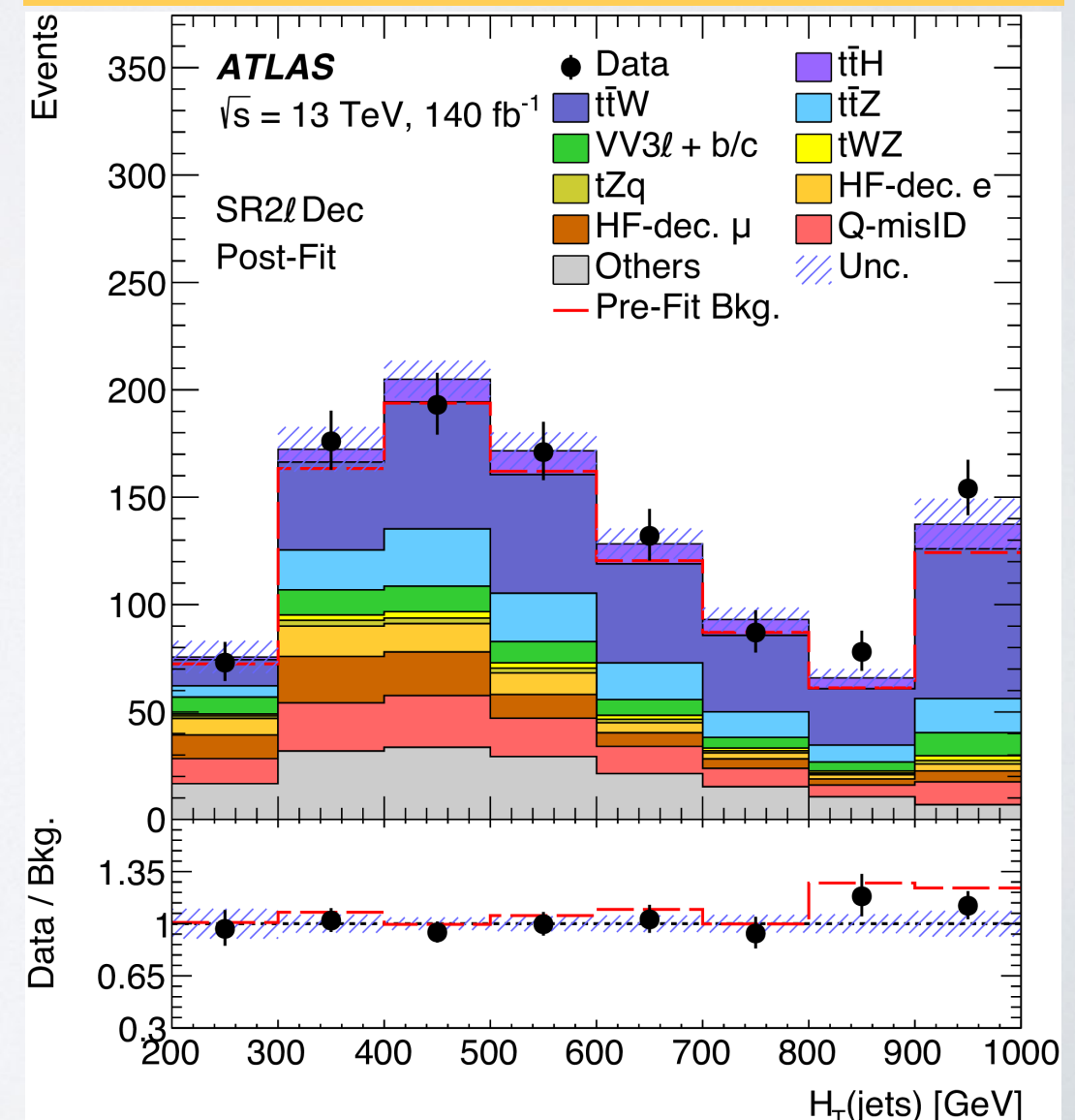
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Definition of signal regions

	SR2 ℓ Dec	SR2 ℓ Prod	SR3 ℓ Dec	SR3 ℓ Prod
N_{jets}	≥ 4	≤ 3	≥ 3	≤ 2
$N_{b\text{-tags}}$	$= 1$	$= 1$	$= 1$	$= 1$
$p_T(\ell_1)$	$\geq 12 \text{ GeV}$	$\geq 16 \text{ GeV}$	$\geq 20 \text{ GeV}$	$\geq 20 \text{ GeV}$
$p_T(\ell_2)$	–	–	$\geq 16 \text{ GeV}$	$\geq 16 \text{ GeV}$
$ m(e, e) - m_Z $	$\geq 10 \text{ GeV}$	$\geq 10 \text{ GeV}$	–	–

Distribution of the most important NN input variable, $H_T(\text{jets})$ for the SR2 ℓ Dec



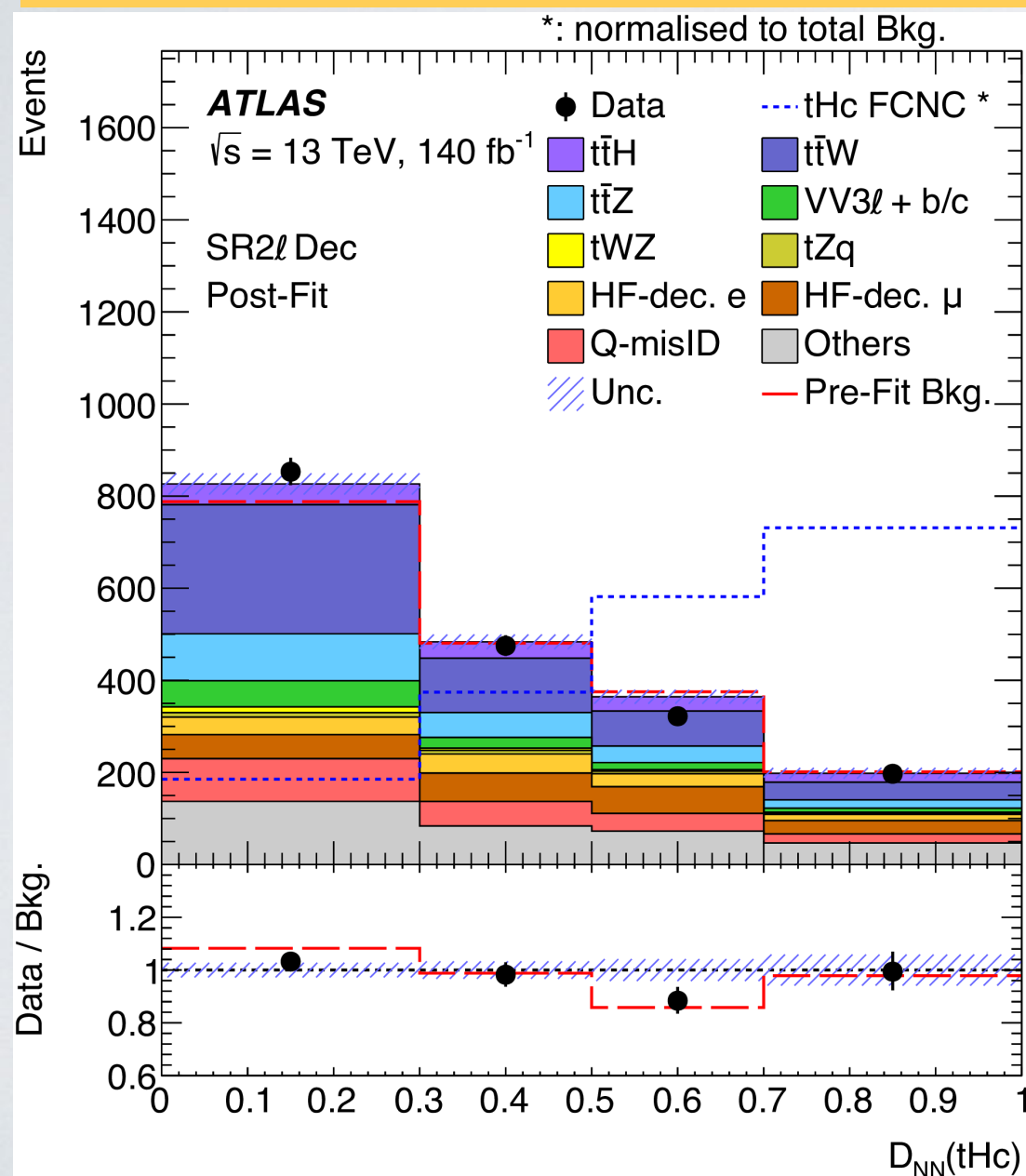
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Fit for normalisation parameter of the signal

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The D_{NN} distribution in the SR2 ℓ Dec, obtained from the signal-plus-background fit to data in the tHc channel.



Best fit value of the tHu (tHc) signal:

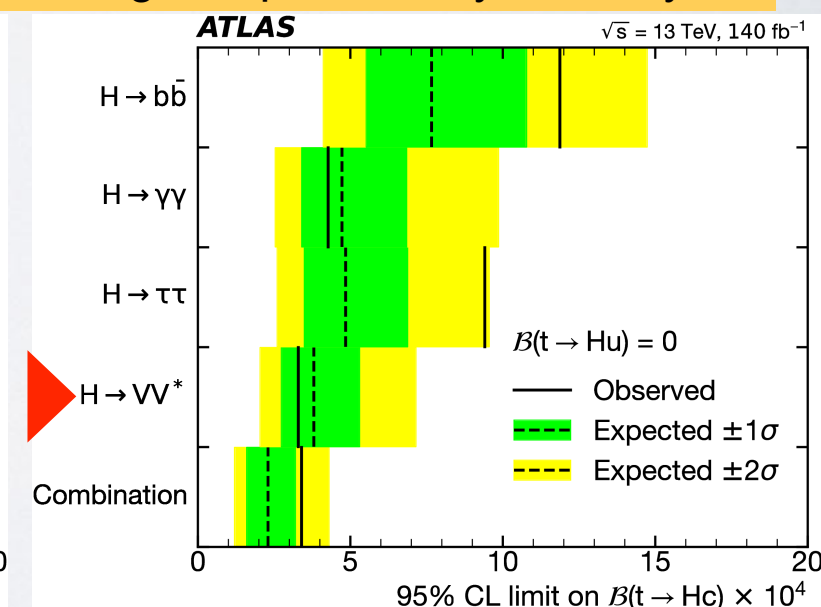
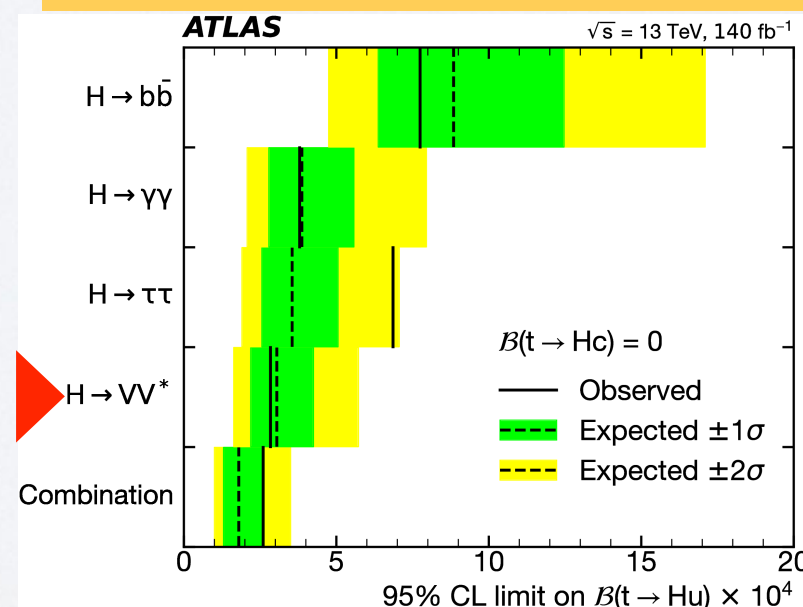
$$\mu_{tHq} = -0.03 \pm 0.15 (-0.08 \pm 0.19).$$

CL_s method limits derived. Systematics cause a 20% degradation of the limits

95% C.L. limits

Signal	Observed (expected) 95% CL upper limits $\mathcal{B}(t \rightarrow Hq)$	$ C_{u\phi}^{qt,tq} $
tHu	$2.8 (3.0) \times 10^{-4}$	0.71 (0.73)
tHc	$3.3 (3.8) \times 10^{-4}$	0.76 (0.82)

95% C.L. combined limits to u and c , using complementary H decays



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- Search for Flavour Changing Neutral Current in tHq and $t\bar{t}$ with $t \rightarrow Hq$ ($q=u,c$)
- Considers Higgs to WW, ZZ or $\tau\tau$
- SM predictions for these FCNC are of order 10^{-15} to 10^{-17}

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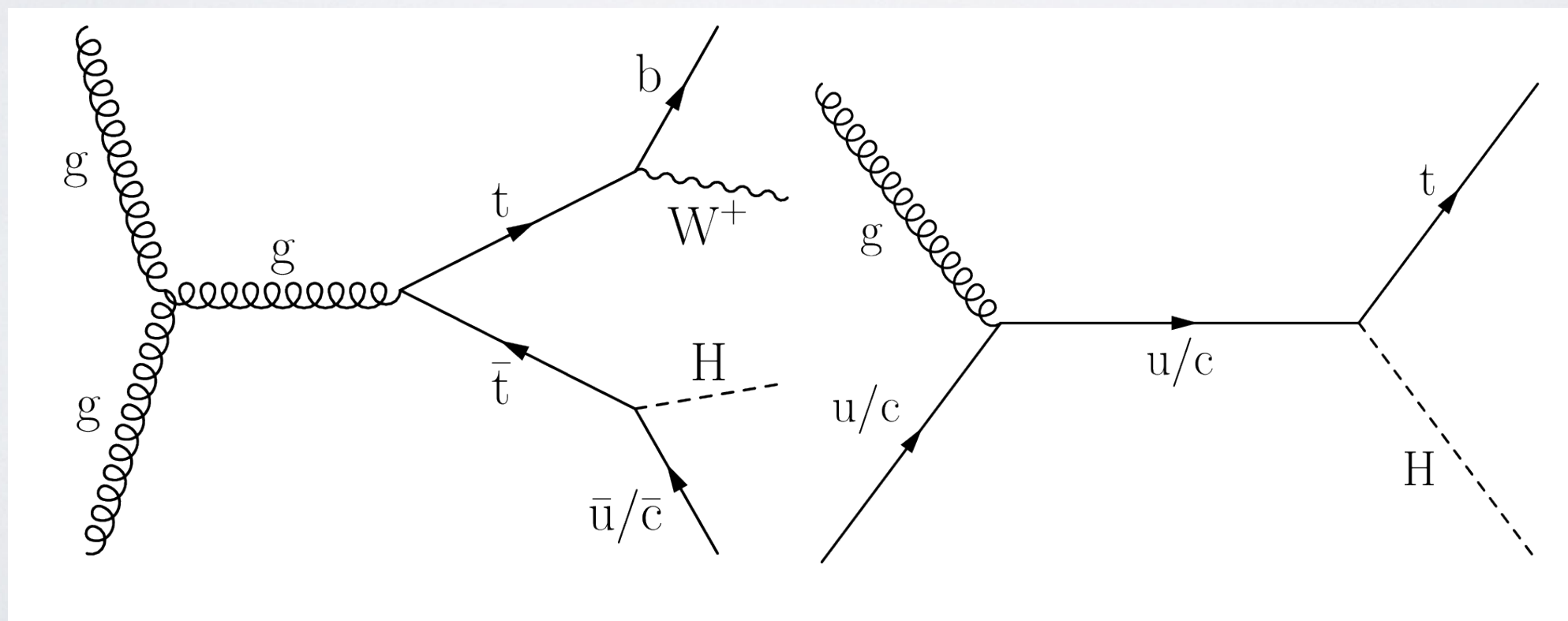
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Signature: ≥ 2 leptons (e/ μ) Same Sign; ≥ 1 jet (≥ 1 b-jet)

Method: Boosted Decision Tree event classification for signal and background, with 33 input features and output in BDT discriminator value. Then a binned likelihood fit.

Complements analyses with different final states or smaller datasets

Representative Feynman diagrams for the production modes considered: FCNC decay and FCNC-associated production



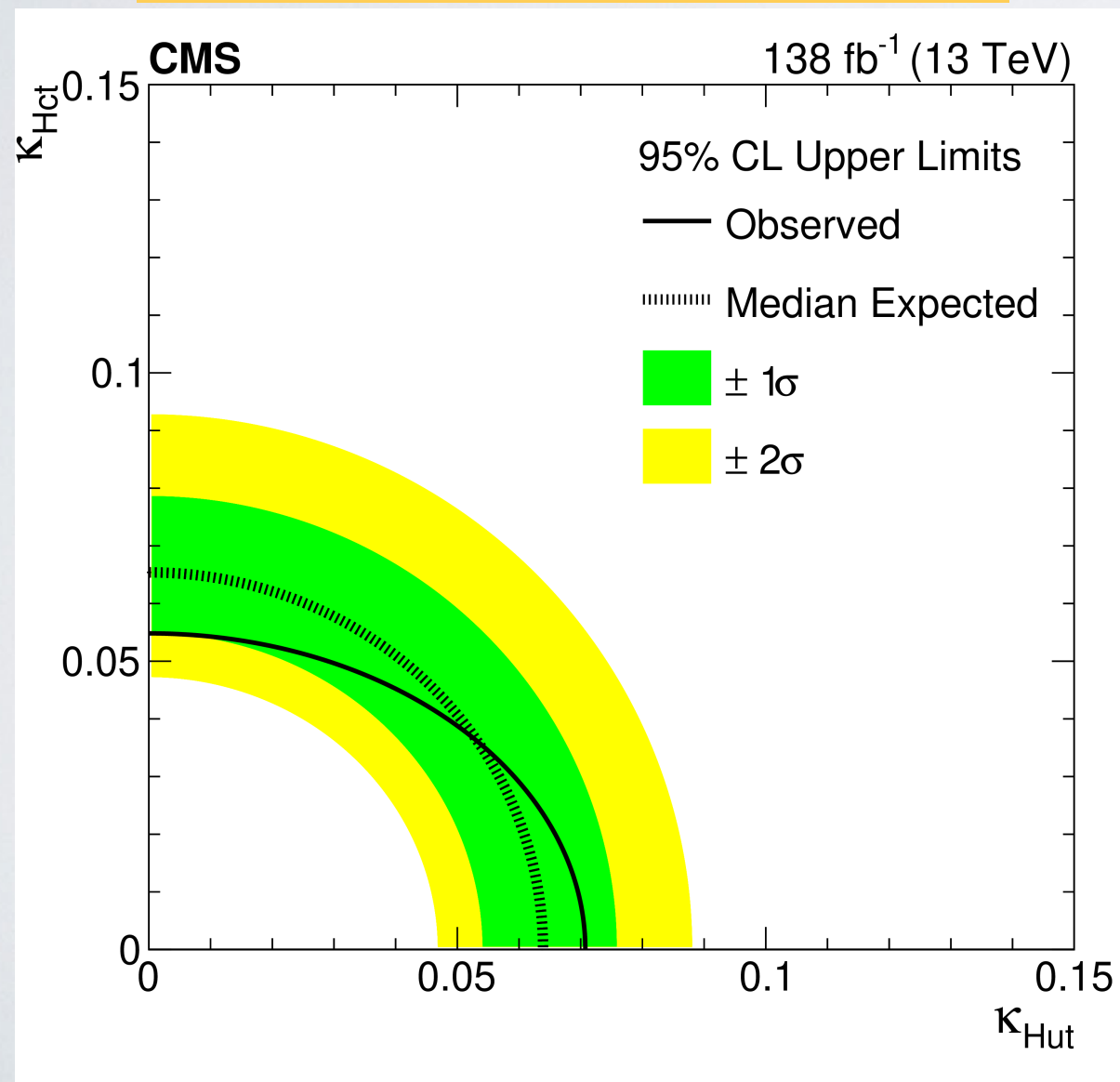
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- The largest uncertainties are statistical and from systematics of lepton charge-ID and non-prompt leptons

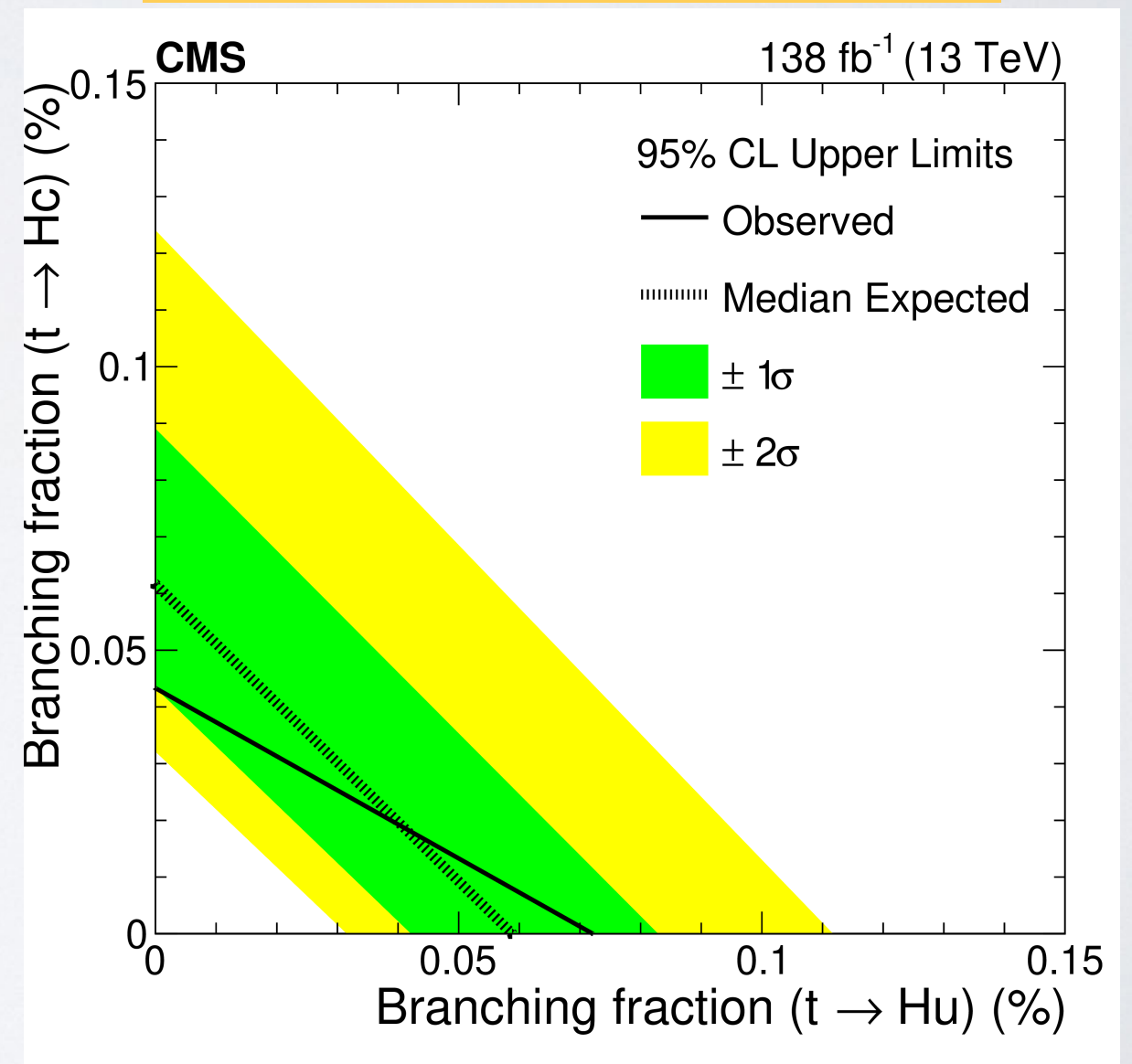
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Measured limits on the coupling strength



Measured limits on the branching fraction



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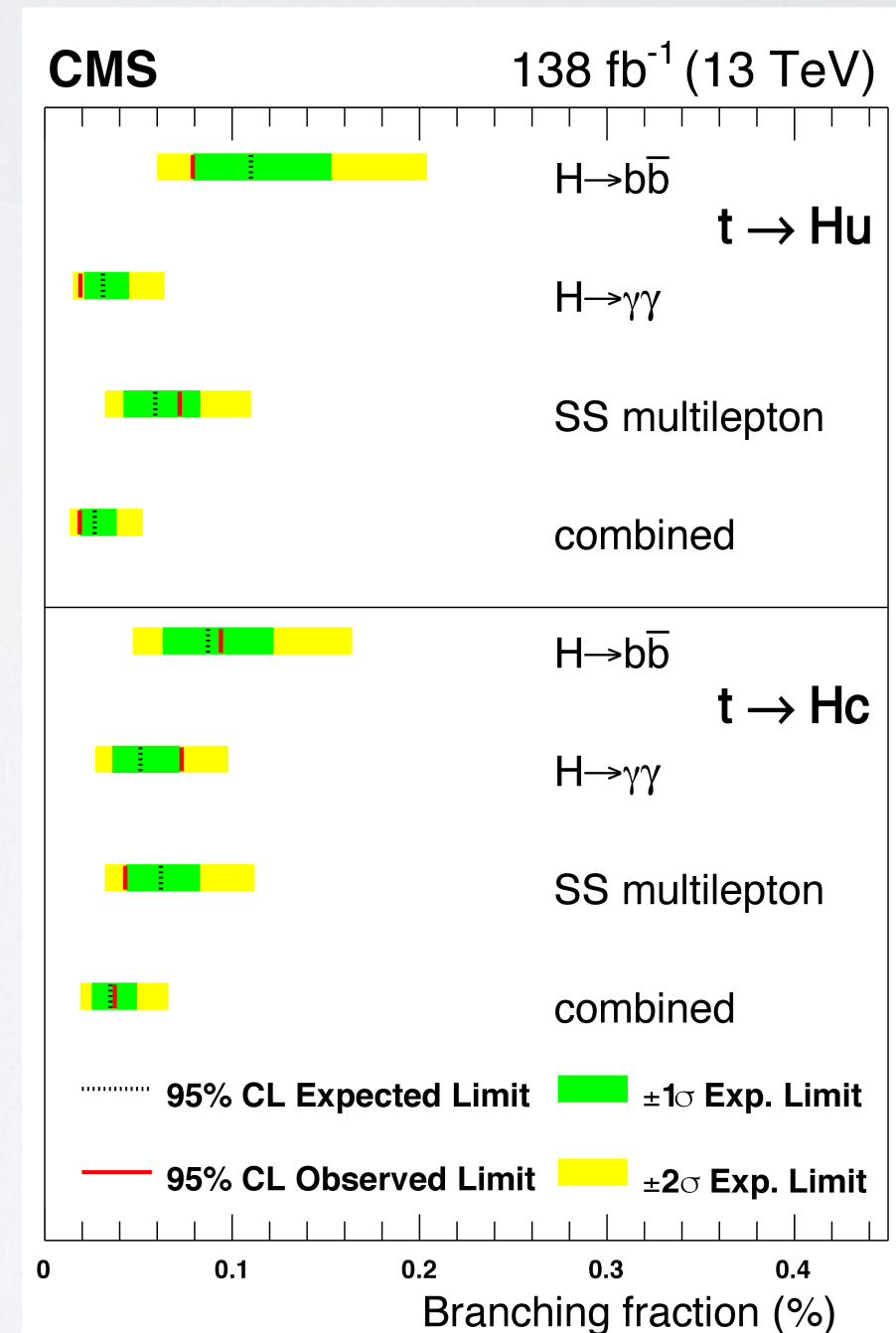
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- Combination with 2 earlier analyses with Higgs decaying to bottom quarks or photons

Observed and Expected limits, and Combination

Analysis	$\mathcal{B}(t \rightarrow Hu)$	$\mathcal{B}(t \rightarrow Hc)$
	observed (expected)	observed (expected)
$H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$ [24]	0.079 (0.11)%	0.094 (0.086)%
$H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ [25]	0.019 (0.031)%	0.073 (0.051)%
Leptonic (this analysis)	0.072 (0.059)%	0.043 (0.062)%
Combination	0.019 (0.027)%	0.037 (0.035)%

Summary of observed and expected results

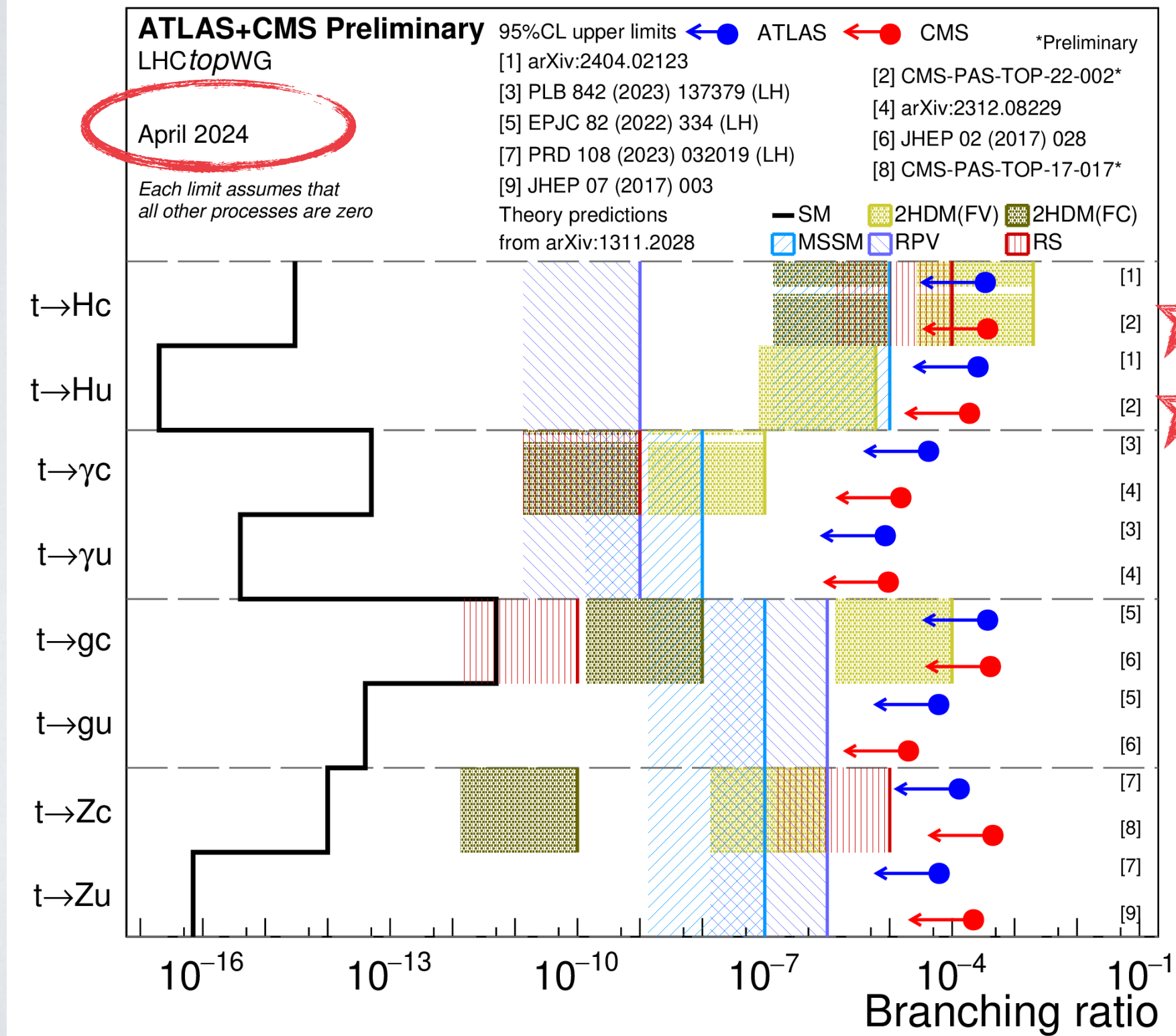


- No excess over the SM is observed

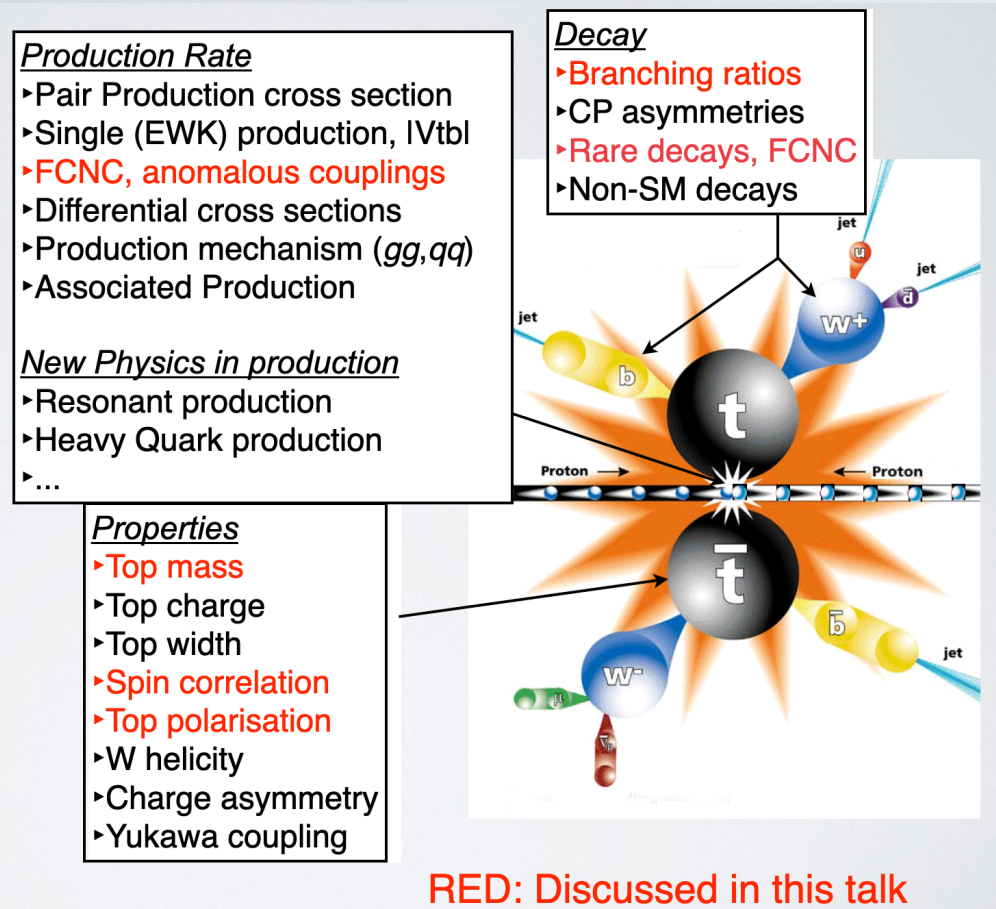
Summary of Other FCNC Measurements

Summary of the current 95% confidence level observed limits on the branching ratios of the top quark decays via flavour changing neutral currents (FCNC) to a quark and a neutral boson $t \rightarrow Xq$ ($X = g, Z, \gamma$ or H ; $q=u$ or c) **ATL-PHYS-PUB-2024-005**

 : new, shown today



SUMMARY



- I presented 8 new measurements from last year
- All using full Run 2 datasets
- Chance to study rare top processes
- Spin correlation and polarisation tested in different kinematic regions of low- and high- m_{tt}
- New top mass measurement using boosted tops
- LFU improved in W decay to 0.44% (μ/e) and 2.3% (τ/e)
- FCNC Higgs-mediated improved to $O(10^{-4})$

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