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# Top-quark + heavy-flavour measurements at CMS

Results from the Run I data

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## 1 Top-quark production and decay

## 2 Inclusive measurements

- dileptonic
- semileptonic

## 3 Differential measurements

- dileptonic

# Top-quark production

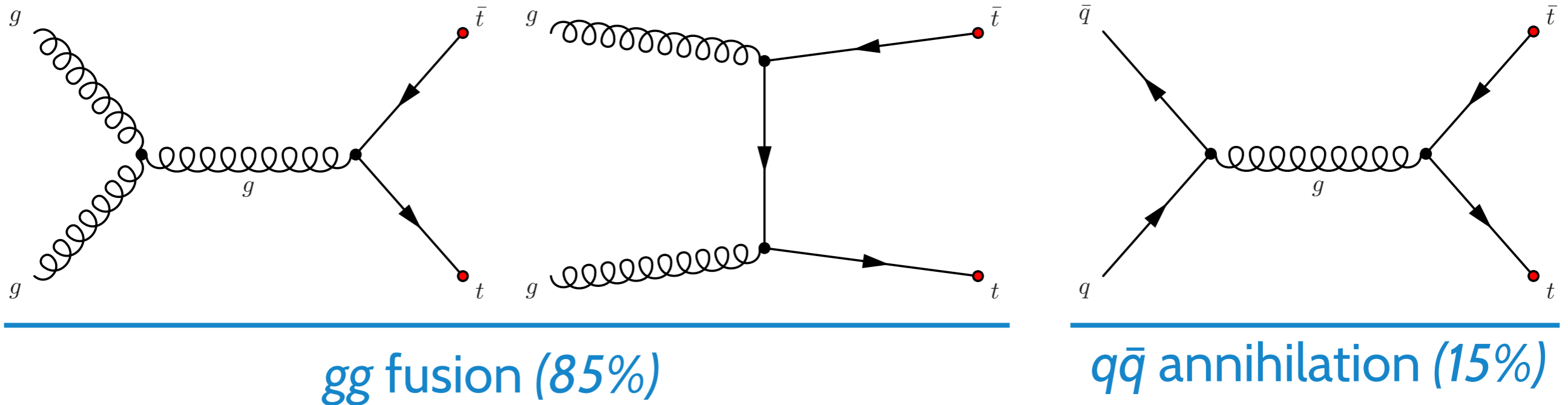
The heaviest SM particle:  $m_t = 172.33 \pm 0.49$  GeV (CMS combination)

[arXiv:1509.04044](https://arxiv.org/abs/1509.04044)

Life time ( $10^{-25}$ s) shorter than hadronisation time scale ( $10^{-24}$ s)

bare quark properties accessible: mass,  $|V_{tb}|$ , spin, charge,...

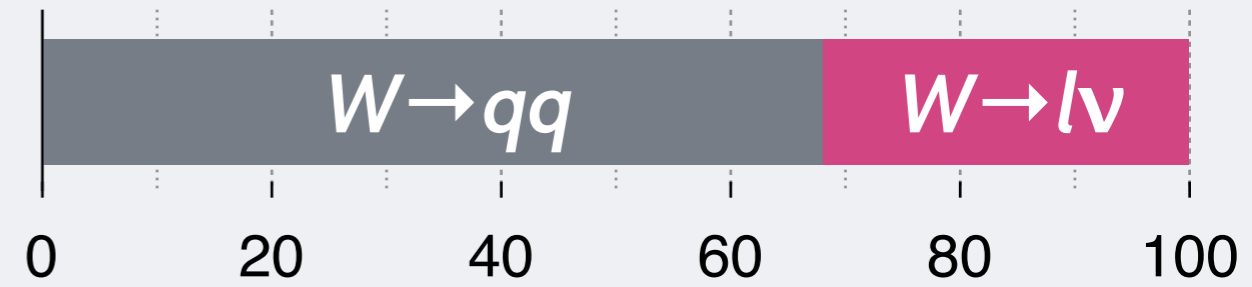
Top-quark pairs ( $t\bar{t}$ ): via QCD interactions **dominant at LHC**



Single top quarks: via EWK interactions **not in this talk**

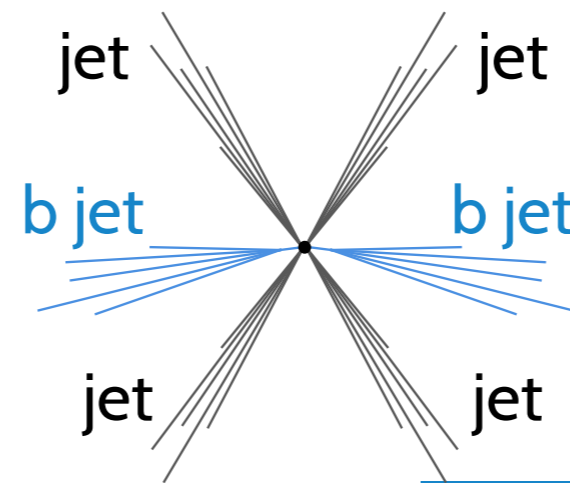
# Top-quark decay

Almost exclusively decays:  $t \rightarrow bW$

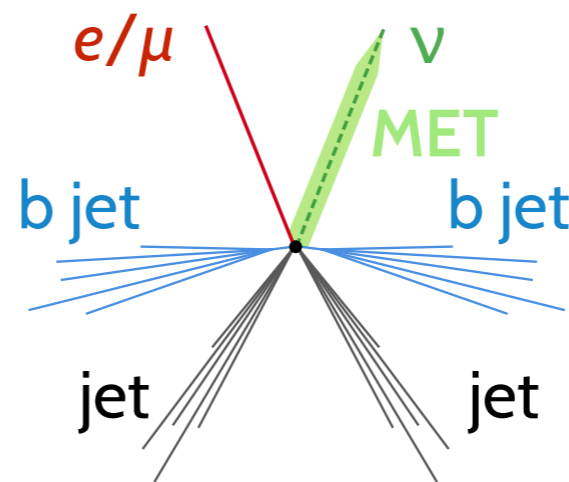


W decay defines the  $tt$  final state

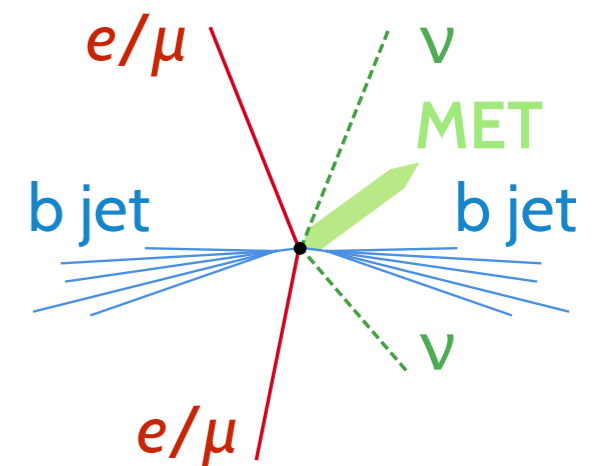
$W^+$	$\bar{u}d$	$\bar{c}s$	$e^-$	$\mu^-$	$\tau^-$ decay
$W^-$	$u\bar{d}$	$c\bar{s}$	$e^+$	$\mu^+$	$\tau^+$ decay
$\bar{u}d$	jets	e + jets	$\mu$ + jets	$\tau$ + jets	$\bar{u}d$ e $\mu$
$c\bar{s}$	jets	e + jets	$\mu$ + jets	$\tau$ + jets	jets e + jets $\mu$
$e^+$	e + jets	ee	$e\mu$	$e\tau$	$\mu$ +jets e+jets ee $e\mu$
$\mu^+$	$\mu$ + jets	$e\mu$	$\mu\mu$	$\mu\tau$	$\mu$ +jets $e\mu$ $\mu\mu$
$\tau^+$	$\tau$ + jets	$e\tau$	$\mu\tau$	$\tau\tau$	
decay $\tau^+$	$\bar{u}d$	jets	e+jets	$\mu$ +jets	$\tau$ unstable
$e^+$	e + jets	ee	$e\mu$		not observed experimentally
$\mu^+$	$\mu$ + jets	$e\mu$	$\mu\mu$		



full hadronic BR~56%  
Bkg: QCD multijet, ... large



semileptonic BR~37%  
Bkg: W+jets, ...



dileptonic BR~7%  
Bkg: DY+jets, ... small

- full hadronic
- semileptonic
- dileptonic

# Higgs boson

Gives mass to **SM** particles via coupling to the  $H$  boson

- fermion coupling proportional to mass:  $Y_f \propto m_f$  < to be tested
- couples most to the *top* quark

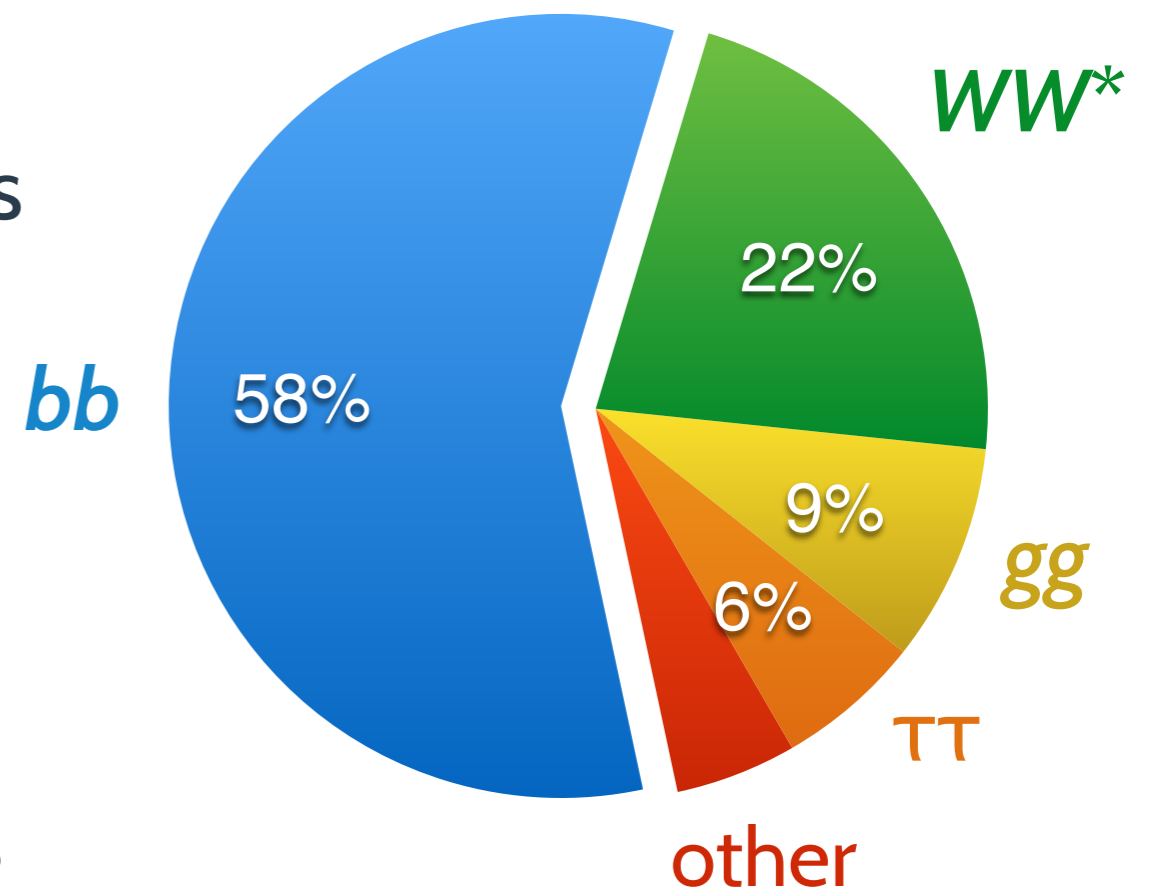
Dominant decay channel:  $H \rightarrow bb$

- typical final state in QCD processes
- $\sigma(pp \rightarrow H \rightarrow bb) \ll \sigma(pp \rightarrow bb)$
- very challenging to measure

$H \rightarrow bb$  associated by *top* quarks ( $ttH$ )

- smaller  $\sigma$  of background processes
- vital test for consistency with SM:  $\sigma \propto Y_t^2 Y_b^2$

- **the only direct way to measure  $t$ - $H$  coupling**

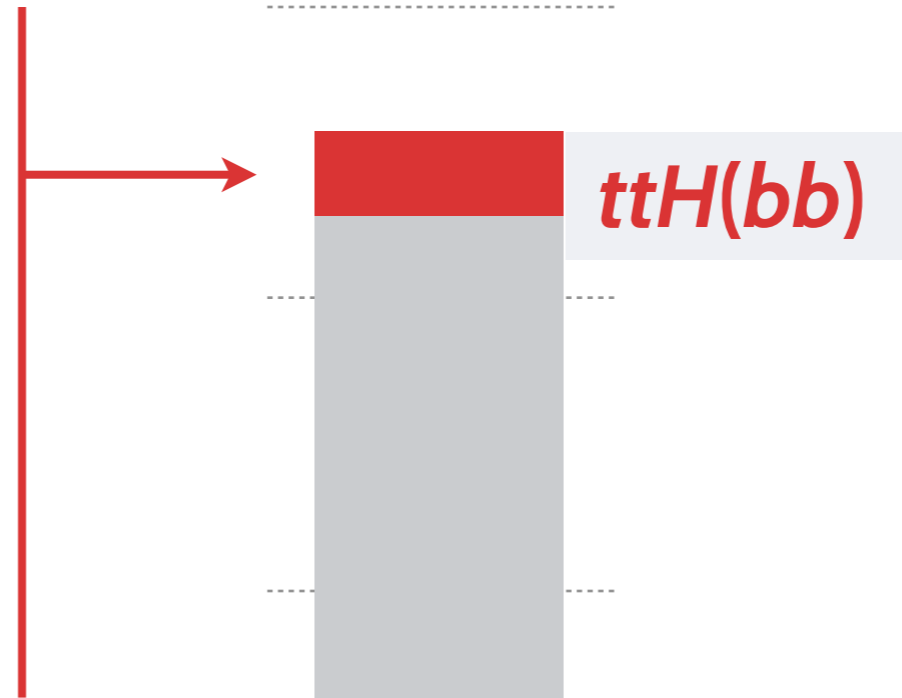
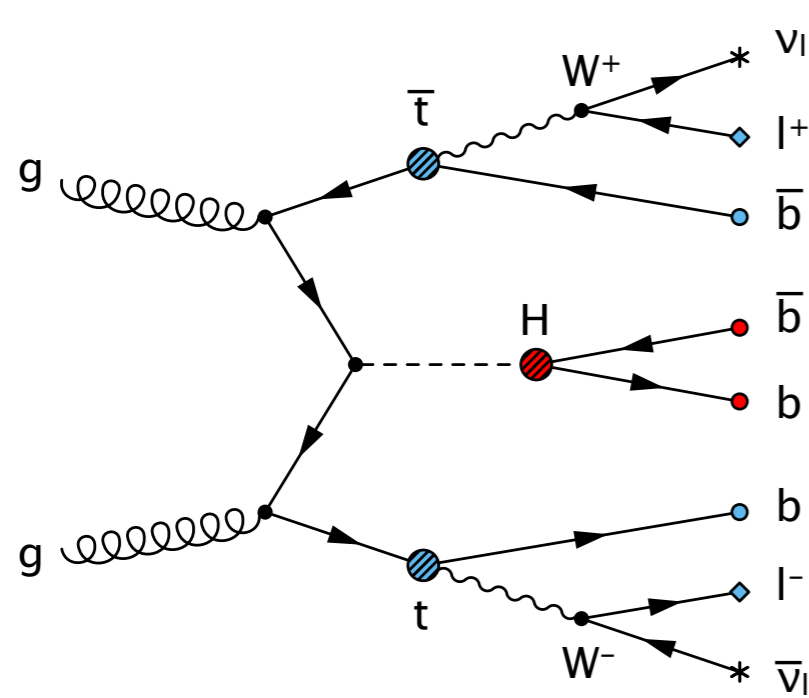


## *tt+bb* INCLUSIVE CROSS SECTIONS

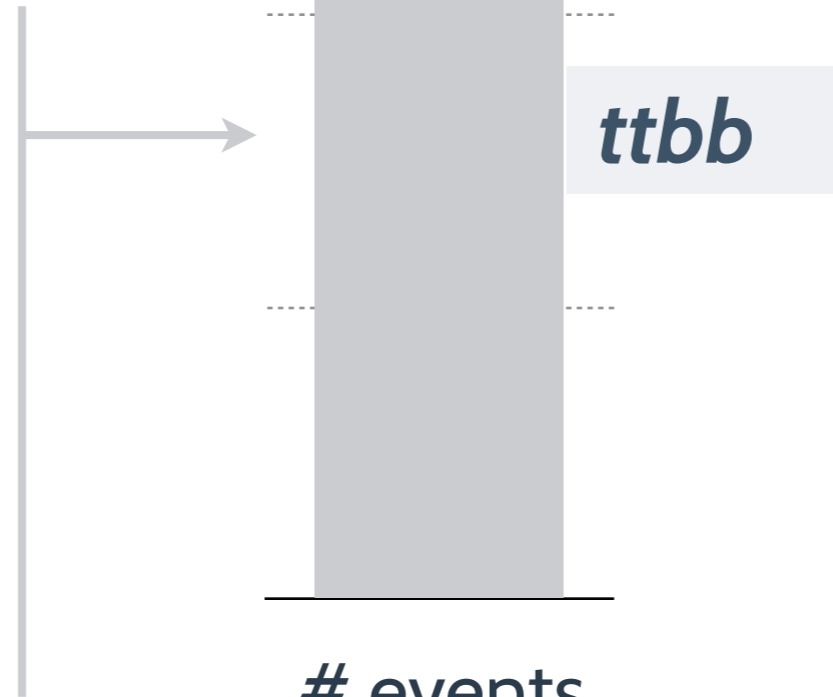
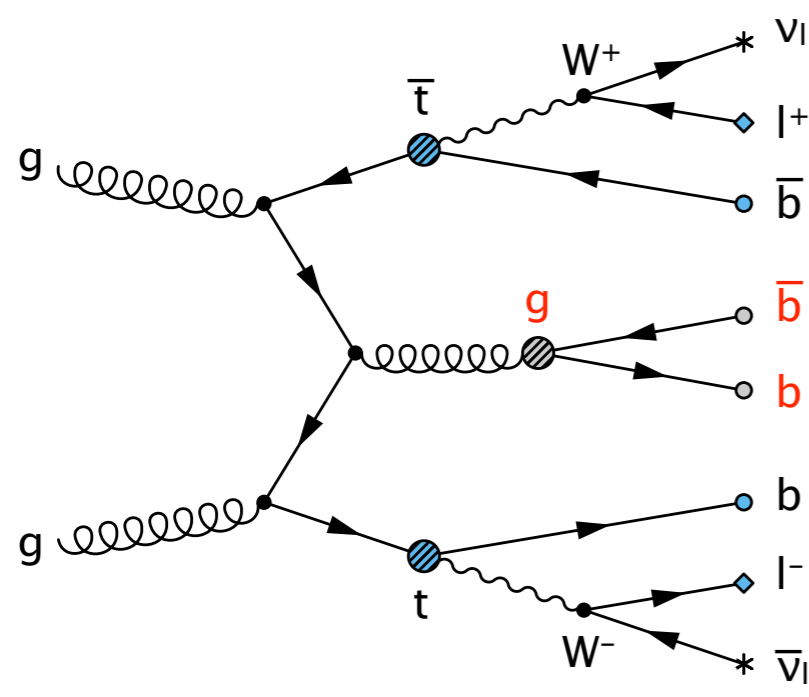
- half of *tt* pairs accompanied by jets ( $p_T > 30 \text{ GeV}$ )
- main background to *ttH*( $H \rightarrow bb$ ) production
  - important for *ttH* searches
- background to new physics

# $ttbb$ as background to $ttH(H \rightarrow bb)$

Distinctive and complex final state (*dileptonic channel*)



Large irreducible background



$$\sigma(ttbb) \approx 15 \times \sigma(ttH)$$

b-jet  $p_T > 20$  GeV

← Must be known precisely

# events

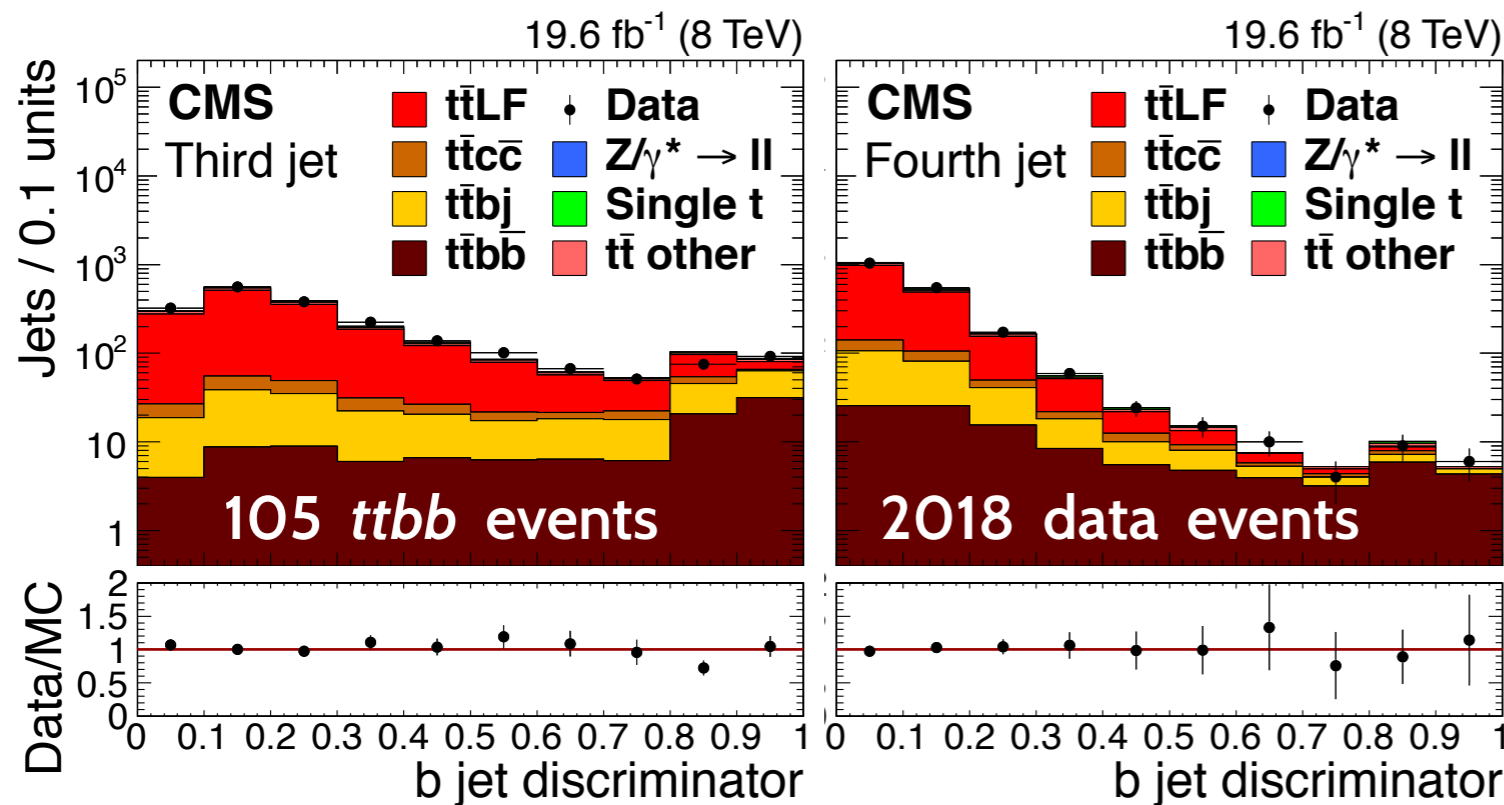
Absolute  $\sigma_{ttjj}$ ,  $\sigma_{ttbb}$ ,  $\sigma_{ttbb}/\sigma_{ttjj}$ : additional (b) jet  $p_T > 40$  GeV,  $|\eta| < 2.5$

Dileptonic final states:  $ee, e\mu, \mu\mu$  including  $\tau \rightarrow e/\mu$

[PLB 746 \(2015\) 132](#)

Stable top quarks. Parton-level additional jets

- Jet clustering on partons:  $e, \mu, \tau^{\text{had}}, g, u, d, c, s, b$  anti- $k_T$ :  $R=0.5$
- Additional b-jets:  $\Delta R(b\text{-quark}, \text{jet}) < 0.5$



- ordered by b-tagging discriminant value
  - 2 leading assumed from *top*-quark decay
- ← corrected by fit results

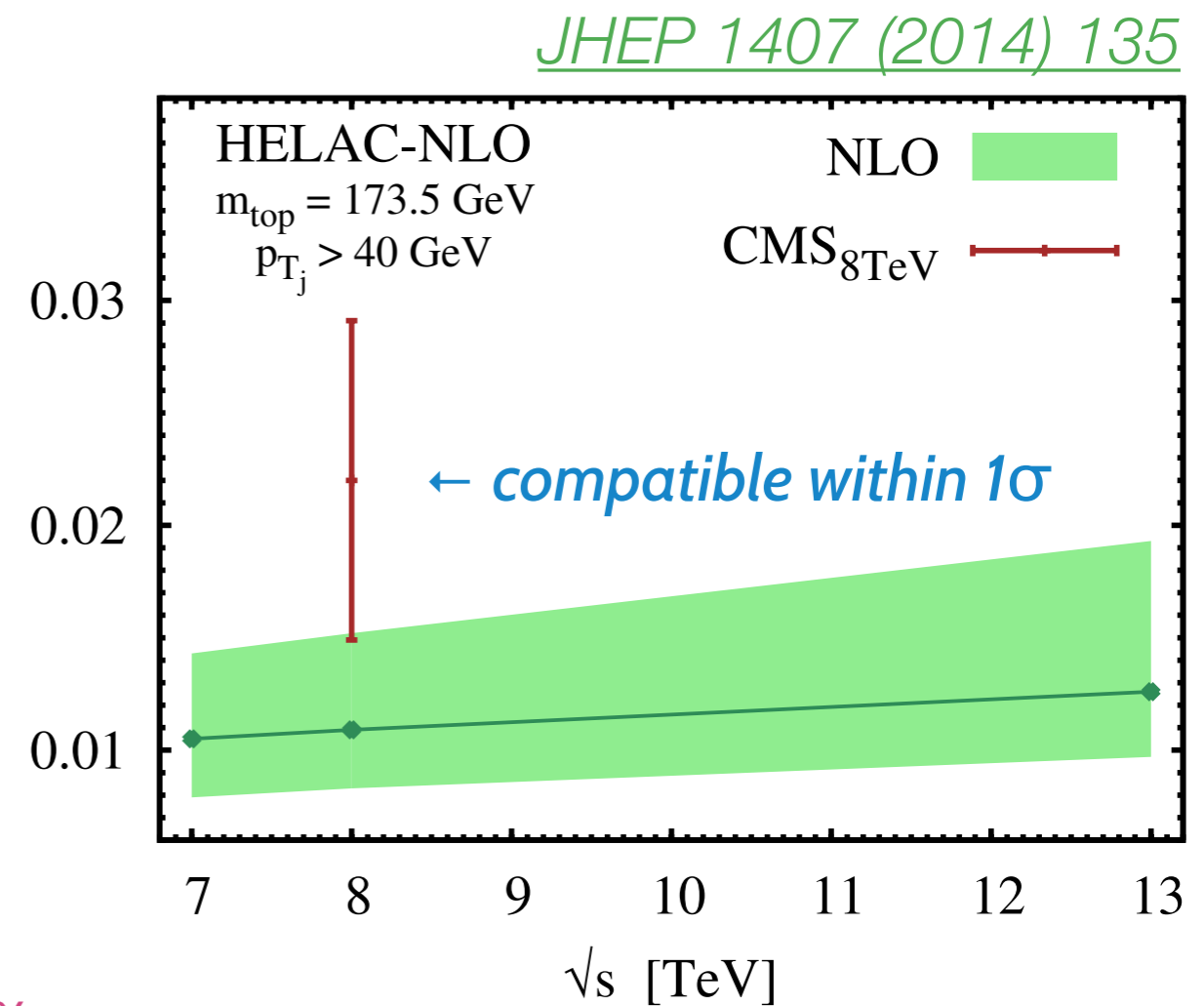
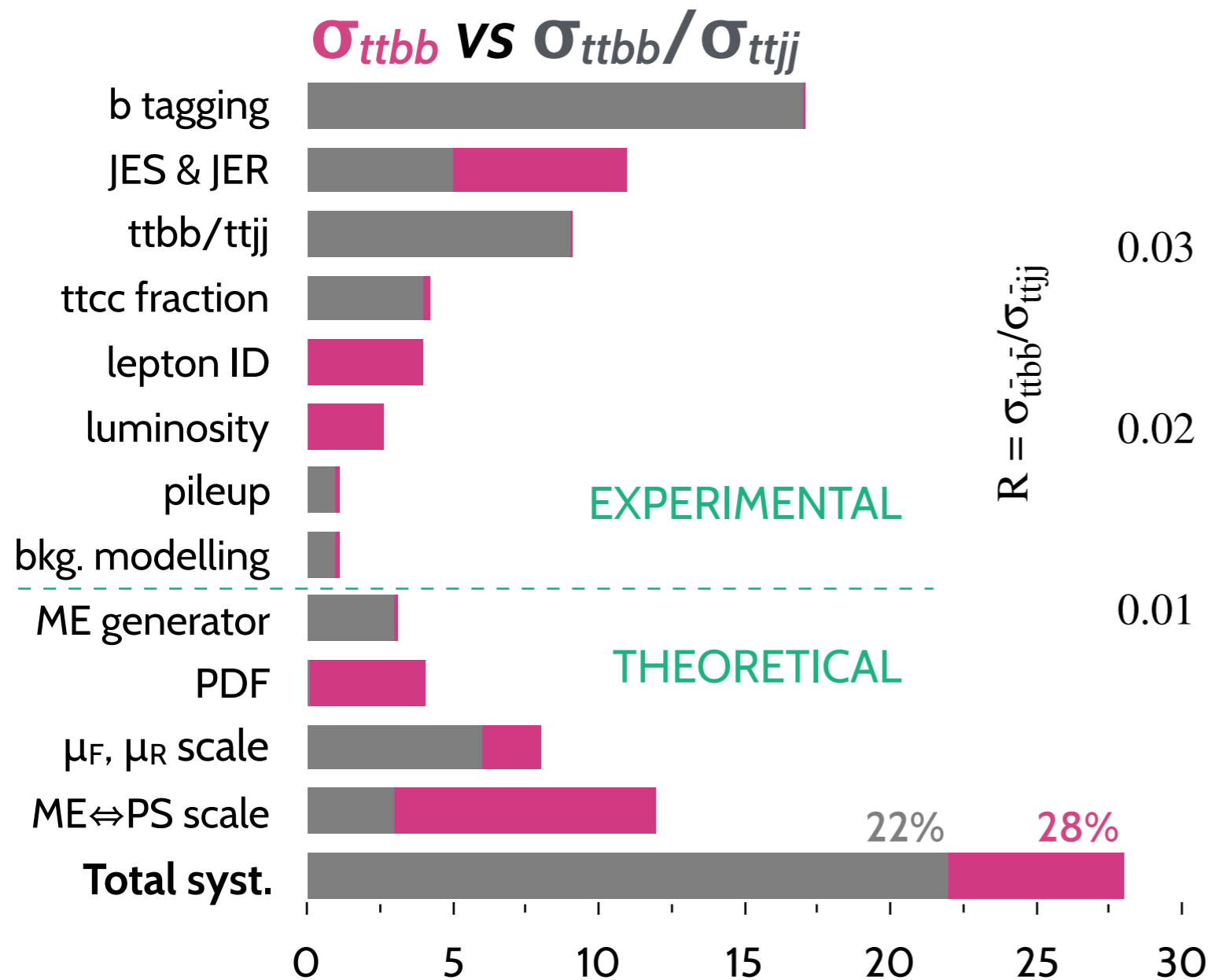
Simultaneous template fit to extract  $ttbb/ttjj$  cross-section ratio



Additional (b) jet  $p_T > 40$  GeV,  $|\eta| < 2.5$  (full  $tt$  phase space)

**CMS**  $\sigma_{ttbb}/\sigma_{ttjj} = 0.022 \pm 0.0006^{\text{total}}$   $\sigma_{ttbb} = 0.36 \pm 0.13^{\text{total}}$  pb

**NLO**  $\sigma_{ttbb}/\sigma_{ttjj} = 0.011 \pm 0.0003^{\text{total}}$   $\sigma_{ttbb} = 0.23 \pm 0.05^{\text{total}}$  pb



**Absolute  $\sigma_{ttjj}$ ,  $\sigma_{ttbb}$ ,  $\sigma_{ttbb}/\sigma_{ttjj}$ :** additional (b) jet  $p_T > 40$  GeV,  $|\eta| < 2.5$

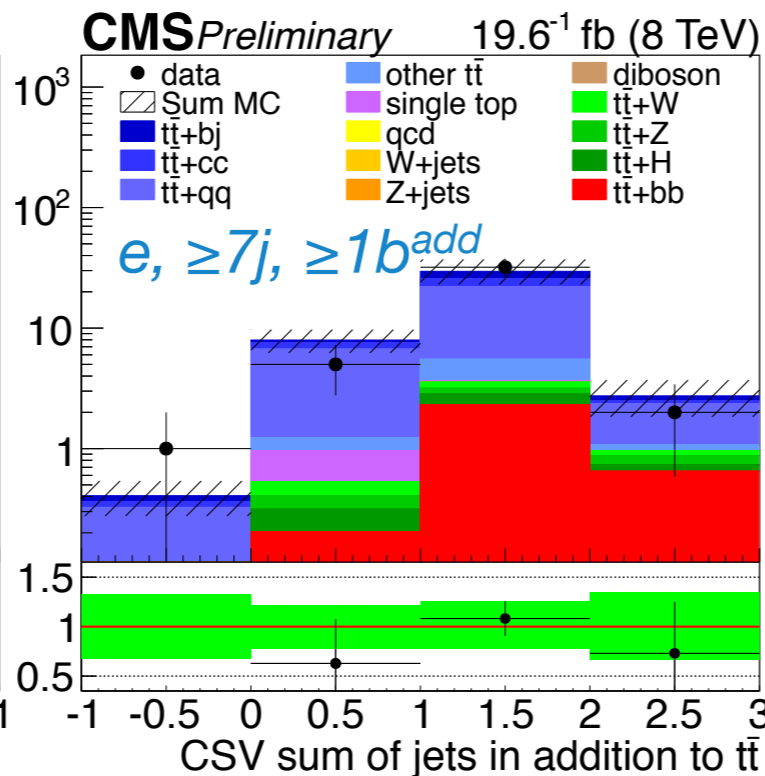
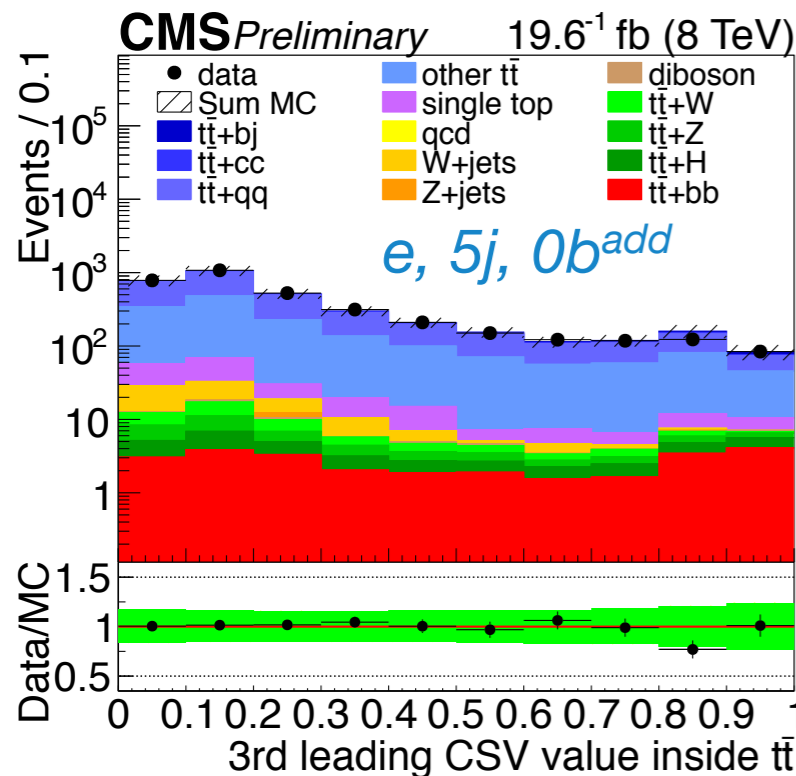
**Semileptonic final states:  $e/\mu$**  including  $\tau \rightarrow e/\mu$

[CMS-PAS-TOP-13-016](#)

**Jets clustered from stable particles excluding  $\nu$**  anti- $k_T$ :  $R=0.5$

**Ghost  $b$ -hadrons and  $b$ -quarks clustered for flavour definition:**

- hardB:** flavour of leading quark
- hadronB:** presence of  $b$  hadron



- Kinematic reconstruction + MVA classifier ( $N_j \geq 6$ )
- 14 templates in total:  
 $N_j, N_{b^{add}} \times 2$  ( $e, \mu$ )
- ← corrected by fit results

**Simultaneous template fit to extract  $ttbb/ttjj$  cross-sections ratio**

hadronB

$$\sigma_{ttbb}/\sigma_{ttjj} = 0.015 \pm 0.005^{\text{total}}$$

$$\sigma_{ttbb} = 0.35 \pm 0.13^{\text{total}} \text{ pb}$$

hardB

$$\sigma_{ttbb}/\sigma_{ttjj} = 0.012 \pm 0.004^{\text{total}}$$

$$\sigma_{ttbb} = 0.27 \pm 0.11^{\text{total}} \text{ pb}$$

NLO

$$\sigma_{ttbb}/\sigma_{ttjj} = 0.011 \pm 0.003^{\text{total}}$$

$$\sigma_{ttbb} = 0.23 \pm 0.05^{\text{total}} \text{ pb}$$

Effect of parton shower: **hardB**  $\rightarrow$  **hadronB**

**hadronB** results consistent with dileptonic channel:

dilep.

$$\sigma_{ttbb}/\sigma_{ttjj} = 0.022 \pm 0.006^{\text{total}}$$

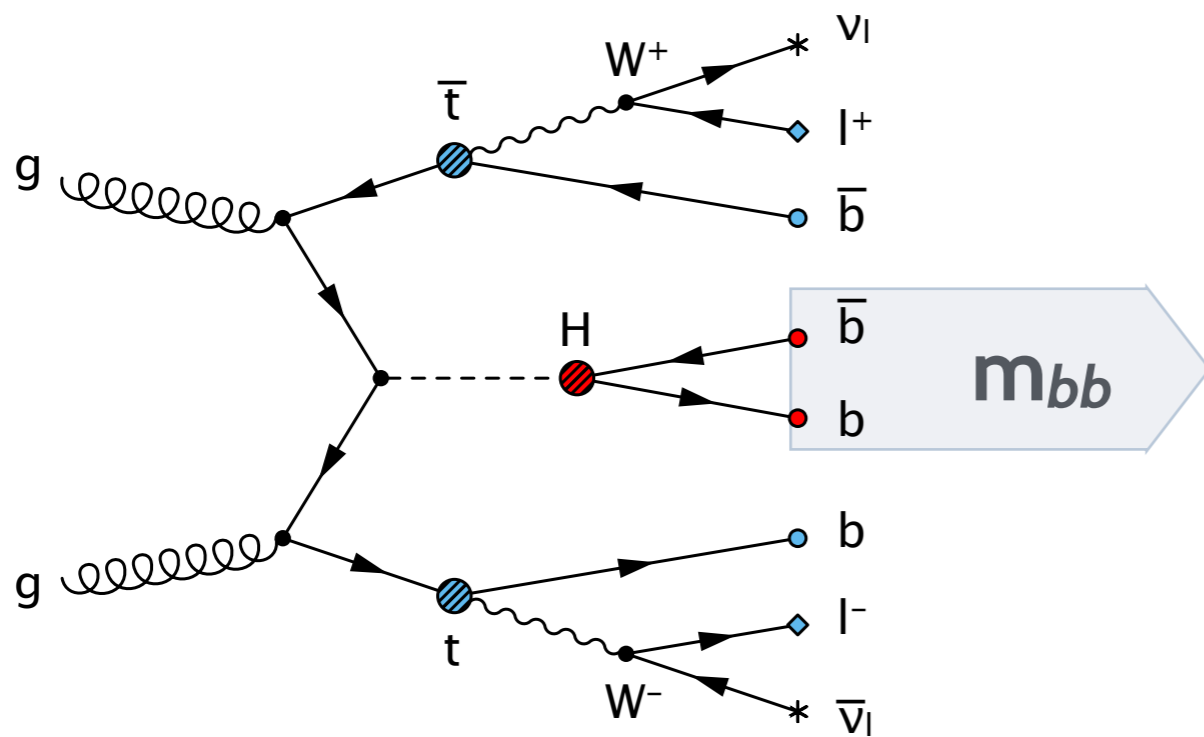
$$\sigma_{ttbb} = 0.36 \pm 0.13^{\text{total}} \text{ pb}$$

Dominant systematic uncertainties:

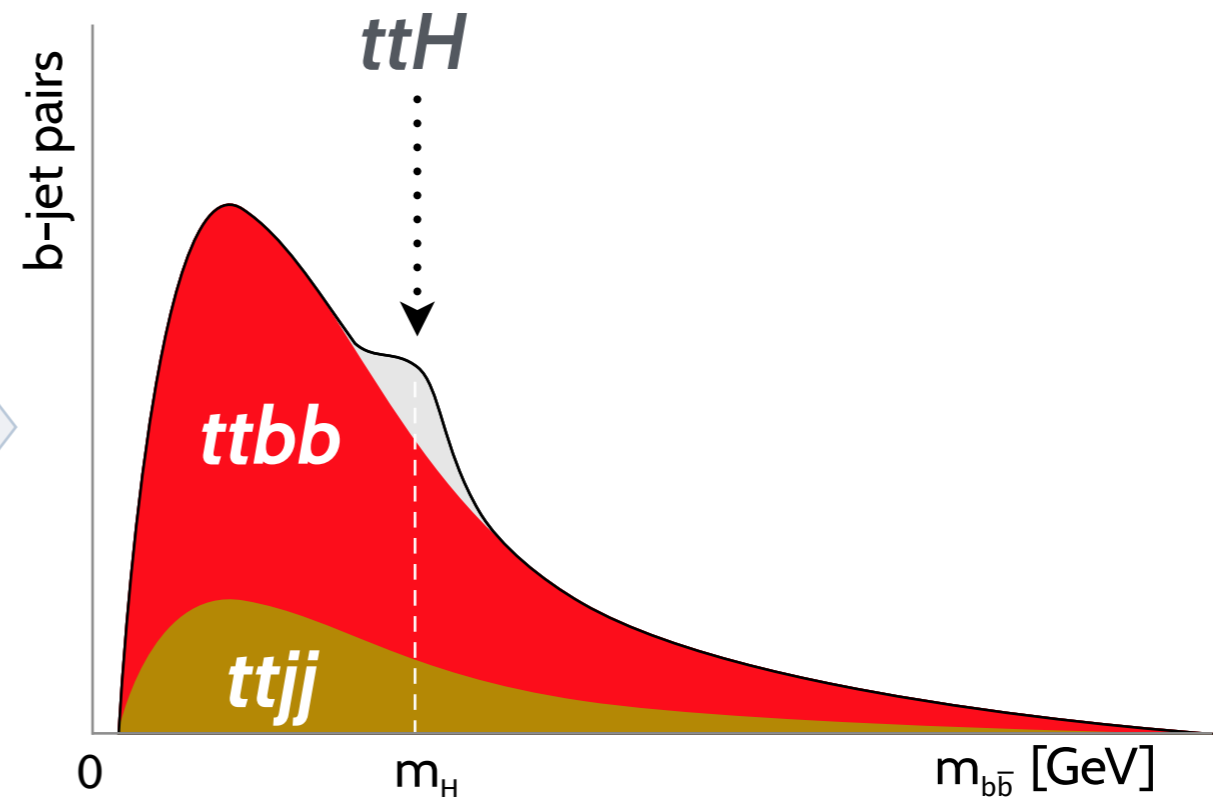
- b-tagging, JES/JER
- *top*-quark  $p_T$  reweighting, PDF, MC generators

# *tt+bb* DIFFERENTIAL CROSS SECTIONS

- stringent test of QCD



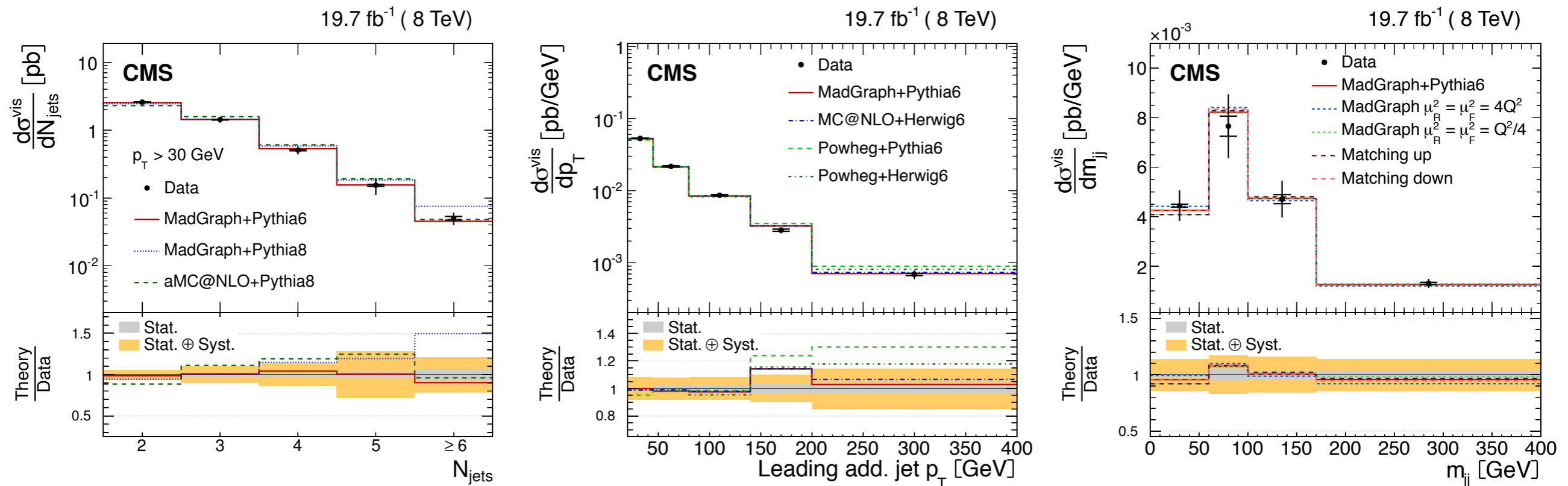
- better sensitivity to  $ttH(H \rightarrow bb)$



Absolute  $\sigma_{t\bar{t}}$  vs  $N_{\text{jets}}$ ,  $H_T$ ,  $m$ ,  $dR^{jj}$ ,  $p_T$ ,  $|\eta|^{j1, j2}$

[arXiv:1510.03072](https://arxiv.org/abs/1510.03072)

Kinematic reconstruction of the  $t\bar{t}$  system: dileptonic channel



Predictions normalised to data: shapes reasonably described

Absolute  $\sigma_{t\bar{t}}$  underestimated: as seen from inclusive measurements

Dominant uncertainties: JES,  $\mu_R$ ,  $\mu_F$ , hadronisation model

- model dependence of the measurement needs to be reduced

Absolute  $\sigma_{tt}$  vs  $m, dR|^{bb}, p_T, |\eta|^{b1, b2}$

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B-jet assignment to the  $tt$  system by a BDT: dileptonic channel

Non-trivial signal definition: many  $b$  jets in the final state

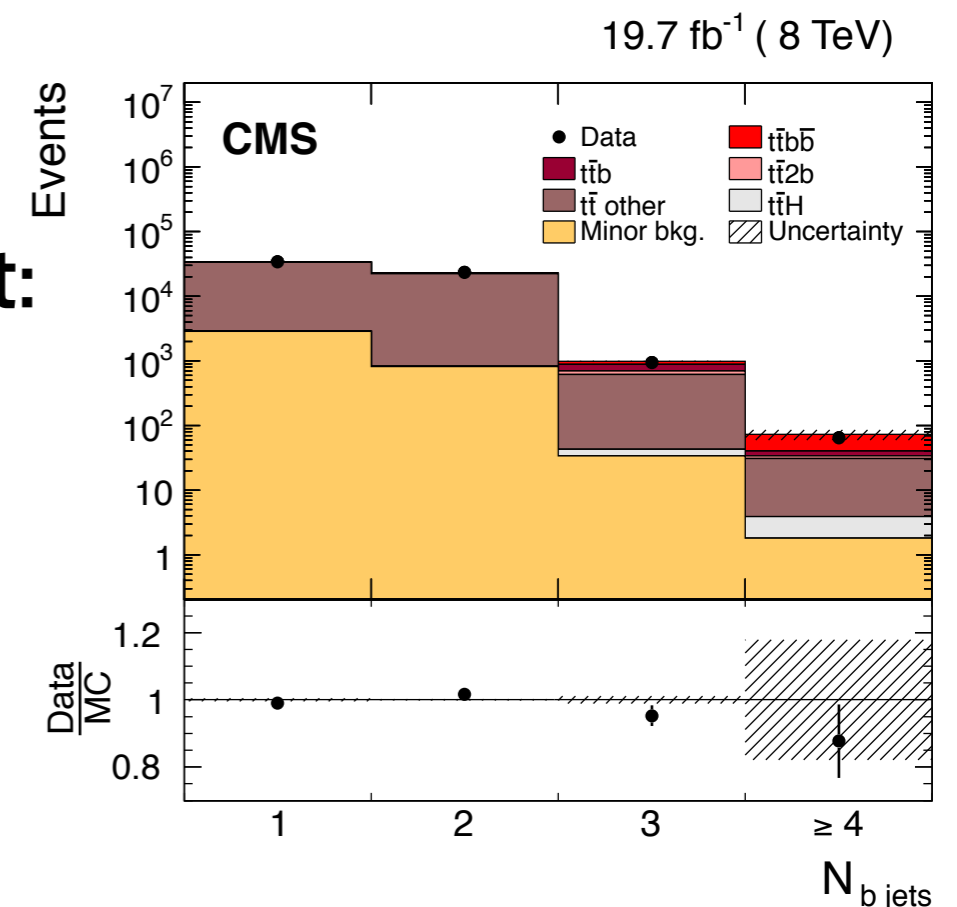
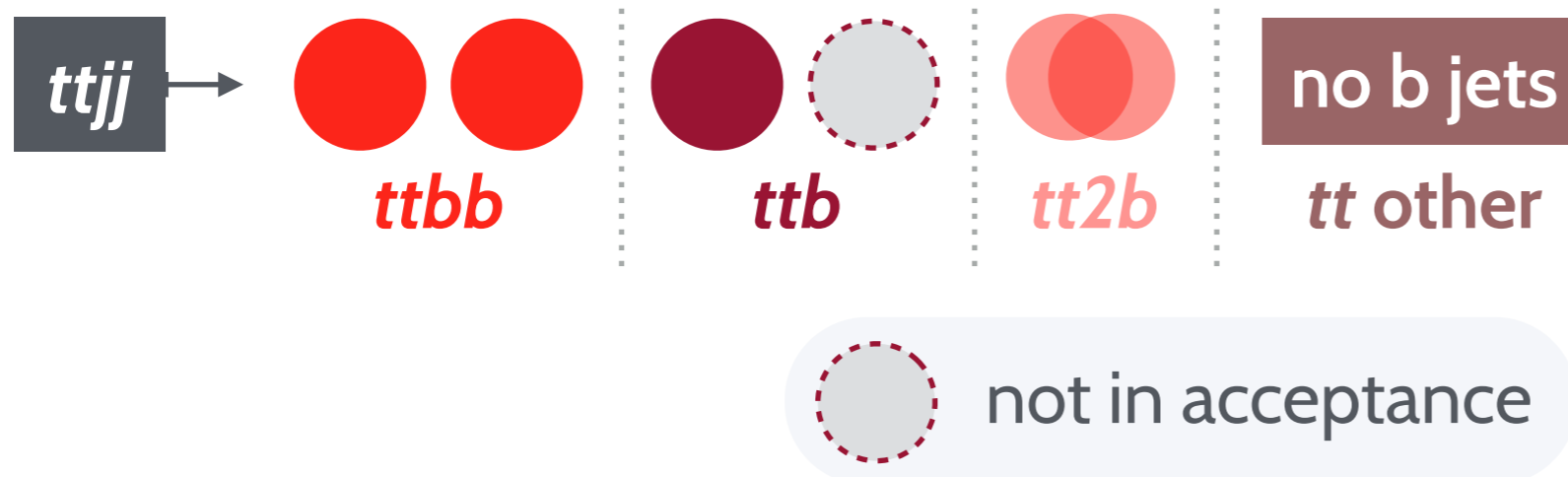
Clustering stable particles to jets: excluding  $\nu$ , and  $e/\mu$  from  $W$  decay

Overlapping  $b$  jets identified:  $\geq 1$   $b$  hadron in jet

Jet origin identified by analysing particle chain

- jet  $\rightarrow b$  hadron  $\rightarrow b$  quark  $\rightarrow g/t/H/Z$

$ttjj$  components constrained by template fit:

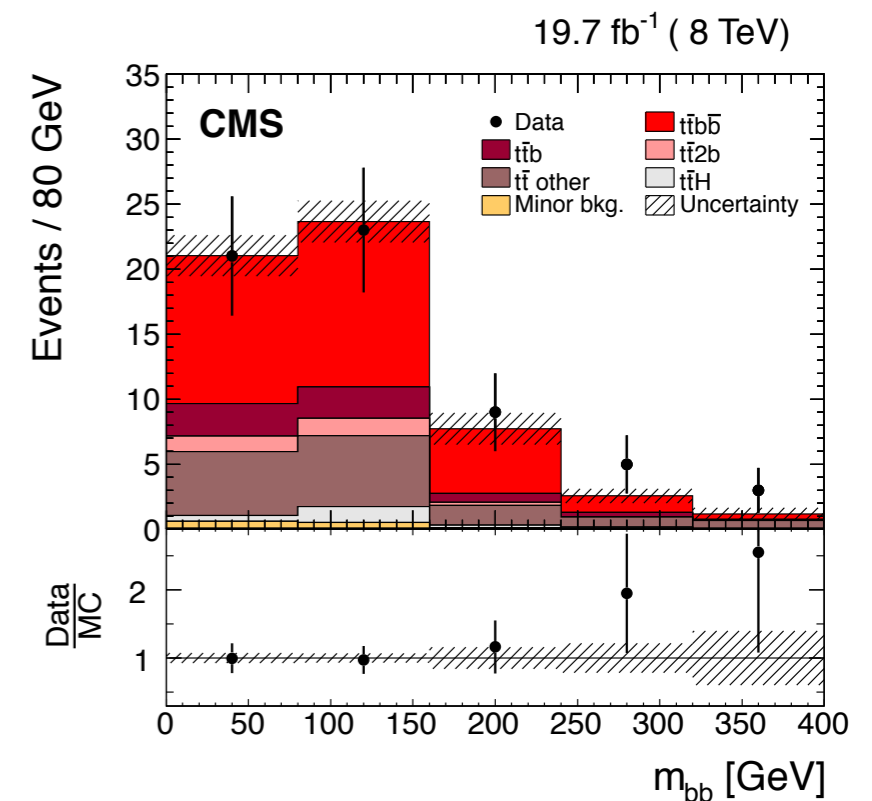
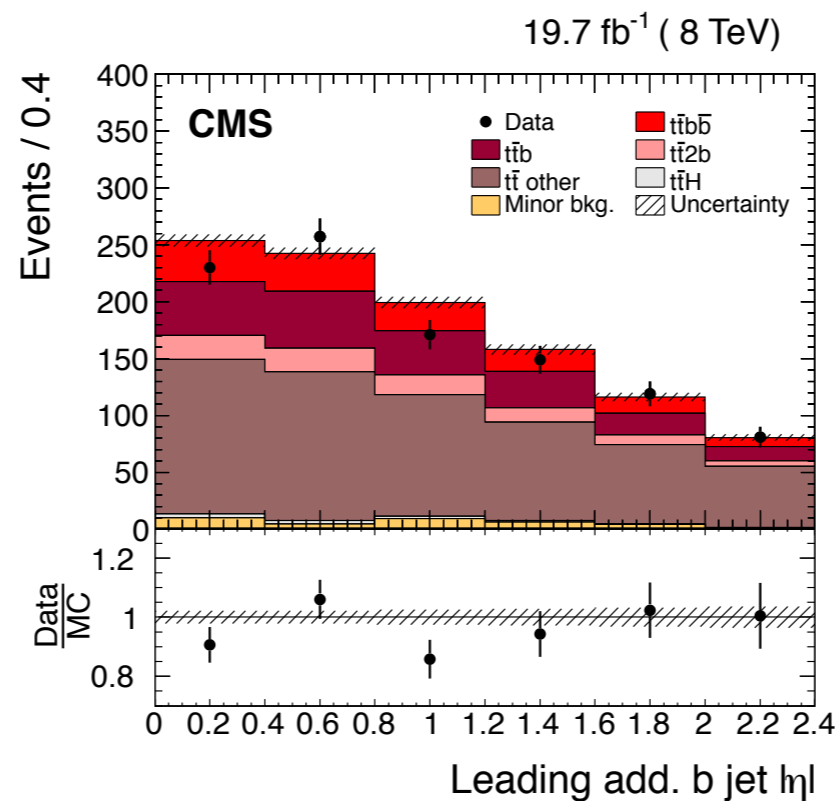
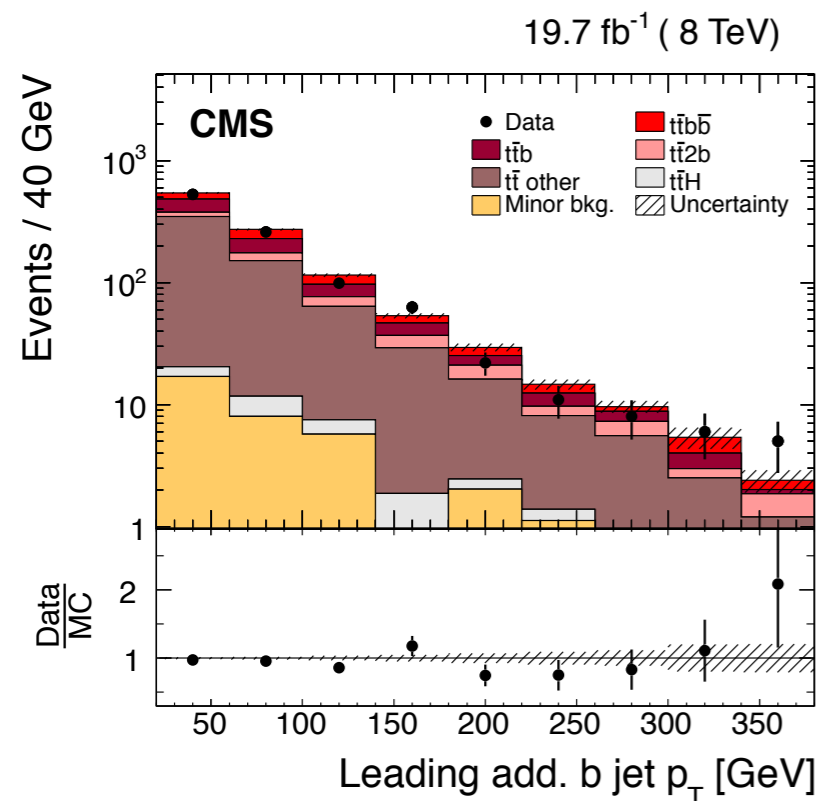


## Identification of additional $b$ jets at reconstruction level:

All  $b$ -tagged jets -  $2 \cdot b^{t \rightarrow b}$  = additional  $b$  jets: ordered by  $\downarrow p_T$

$b^{t \rightarrow b}$  identified using MVA: based on TMVA BDT

- trained on  $t\bar{t}H(H \rightarrow b\bar{b})$  simulations
- avoiding bias towards  $t\bar{t}H$



# data events

# background events

correction for migrations

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dX_i} = \frac{\sum_j A_{ij}^{-1} [N_j^{\text{data}} - N_j^{\text{bkg}}]}{\varepsilon \cdot \mathcal{L} \cdot \Delta x_i}$$

efficiency of event selection

luminosity

bin width

subleading:  $p_T$   $|\eta|$

2 leading:  $\Delta R_{b\bar{b}}$   $m_{b\bar{b}}$

## Regularised SVD unfolding

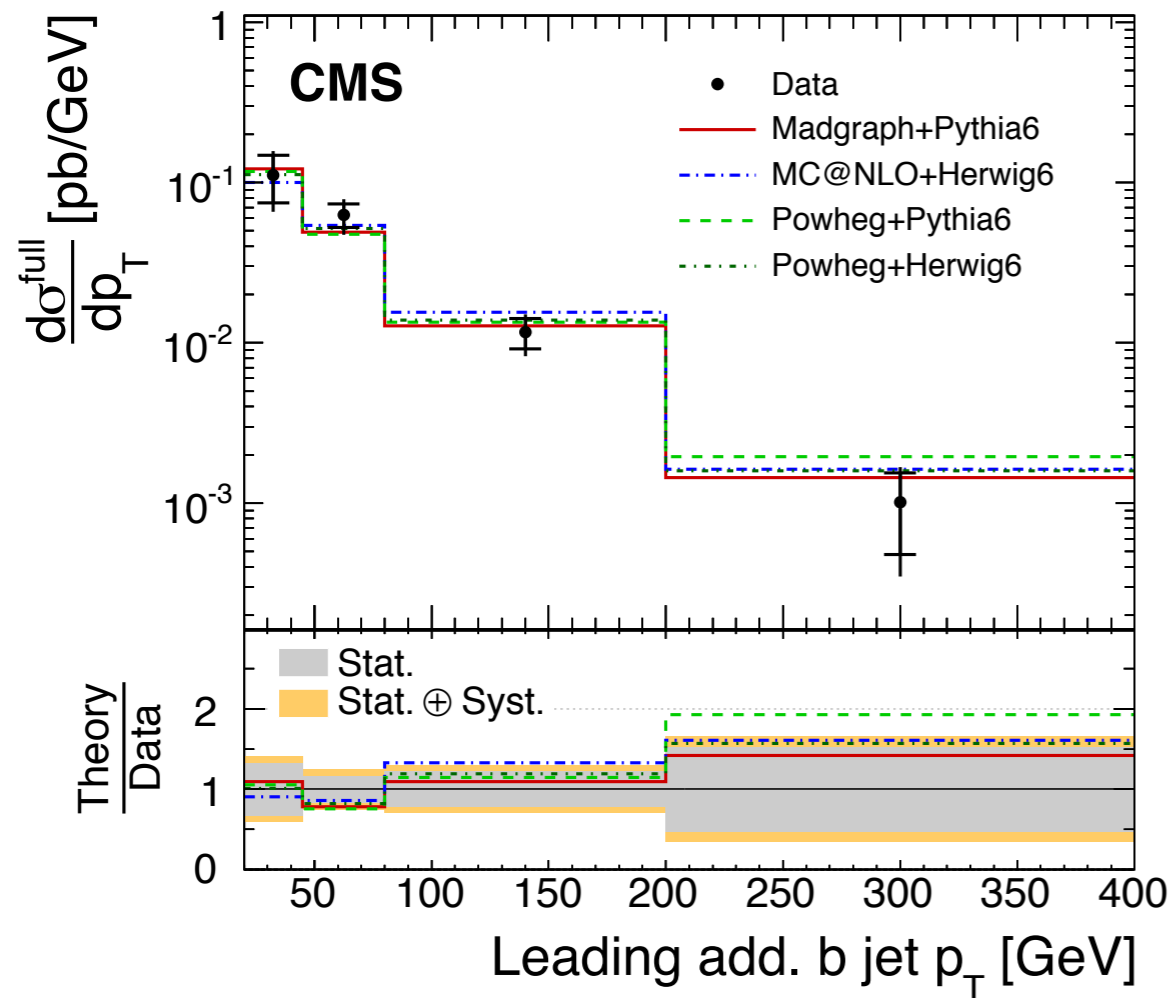
- binning optimised to have  $\geq 40\%$  events reconstructed in the correct bin



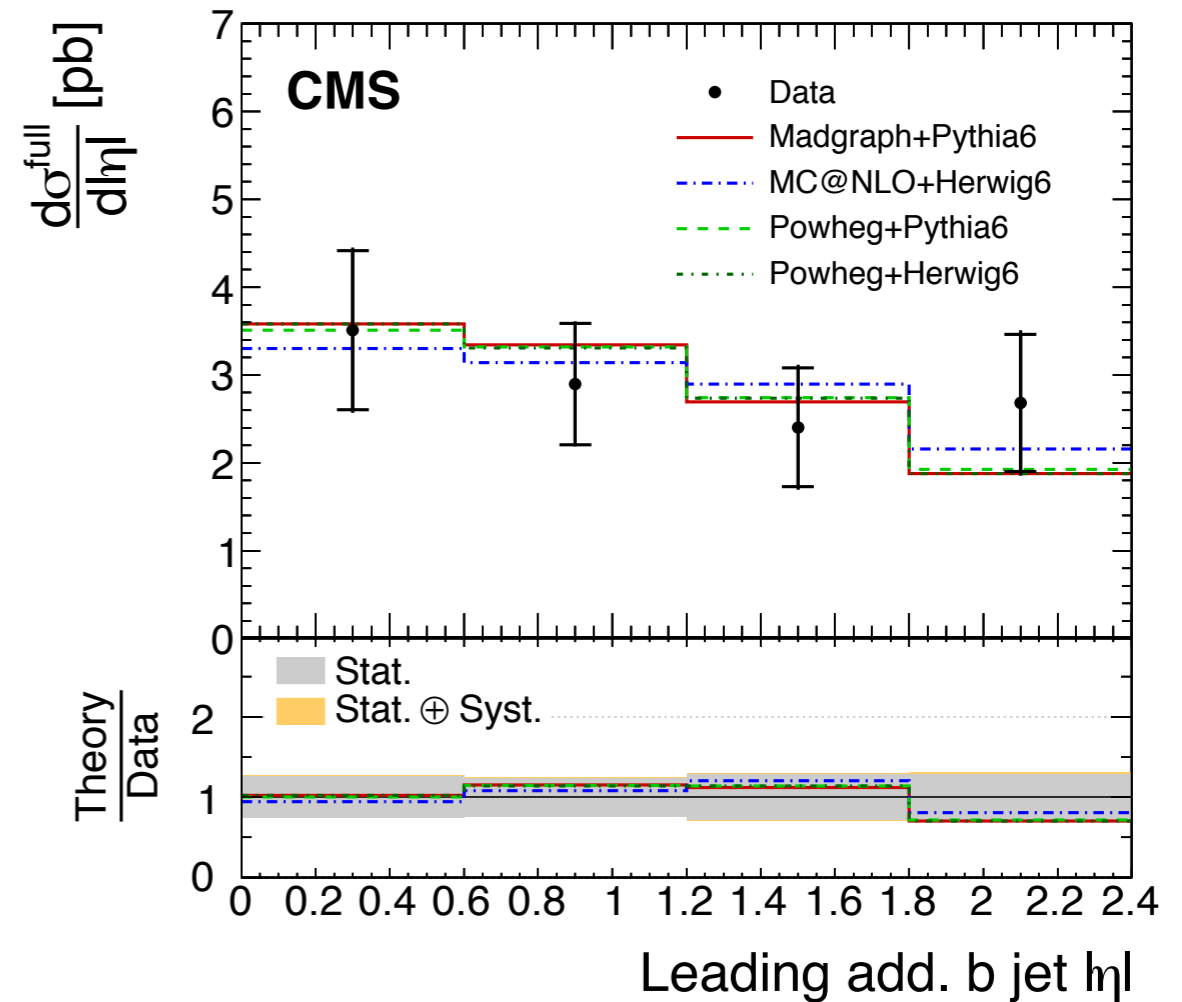
Leading additional  $b$  jet:  $p_T > 20$  GeV,  $|\eta| < 2.4$

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MC predictions normalised to Data

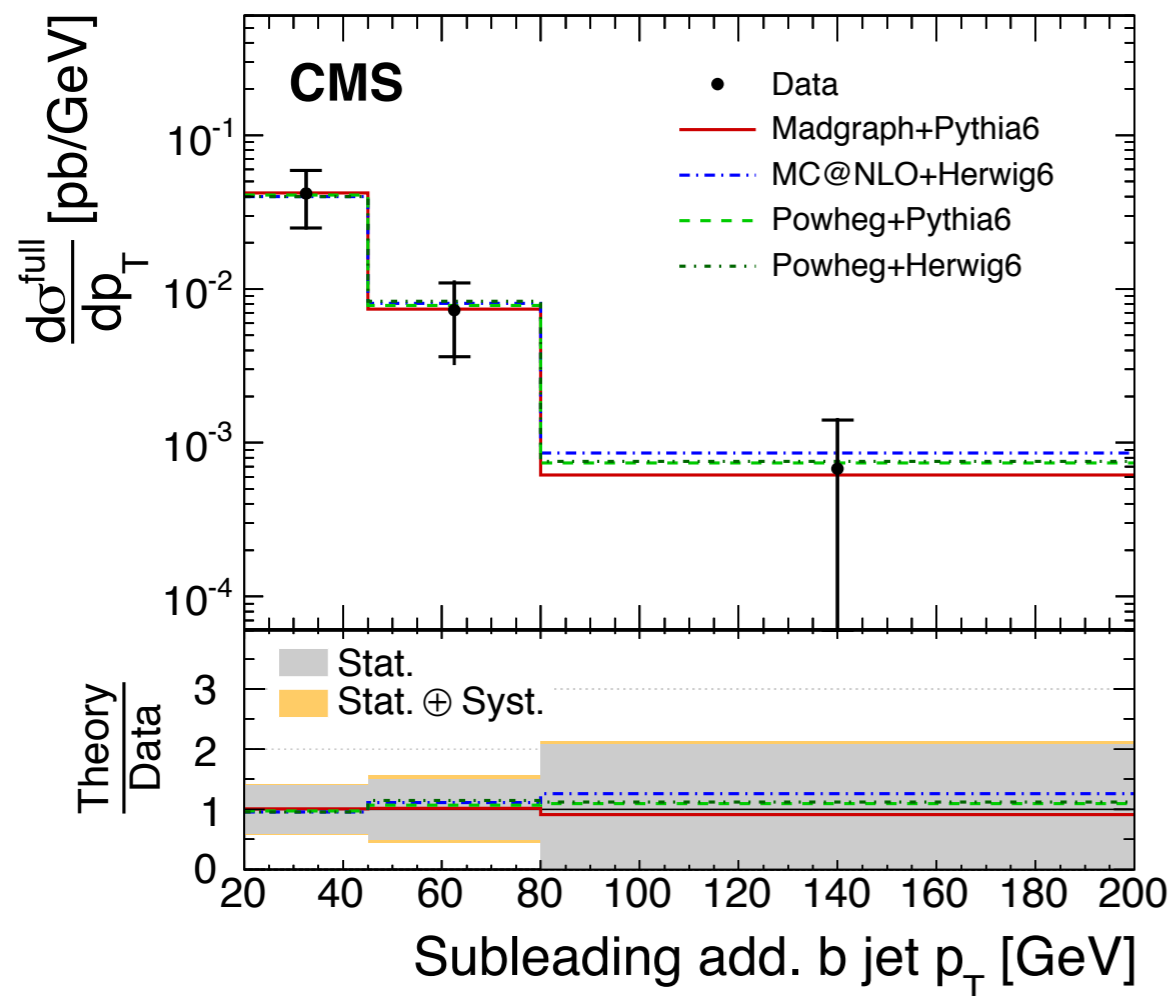
Limited by statistical uncertainty

Well described by the considered MC predictions

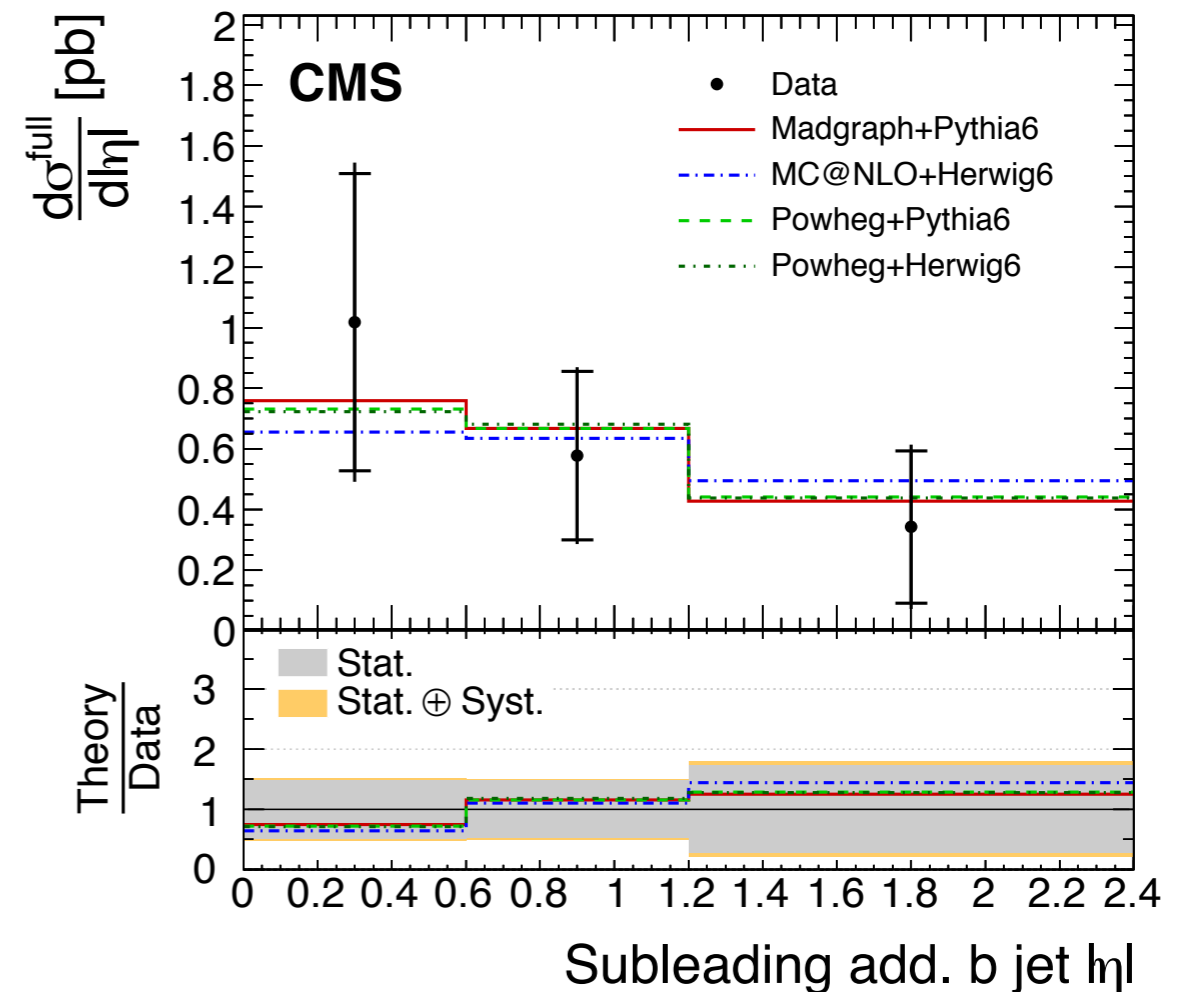
Subleading additional  $b$  jet:  $p_T > 20$  GeV,  $|\eta| < 2.4$

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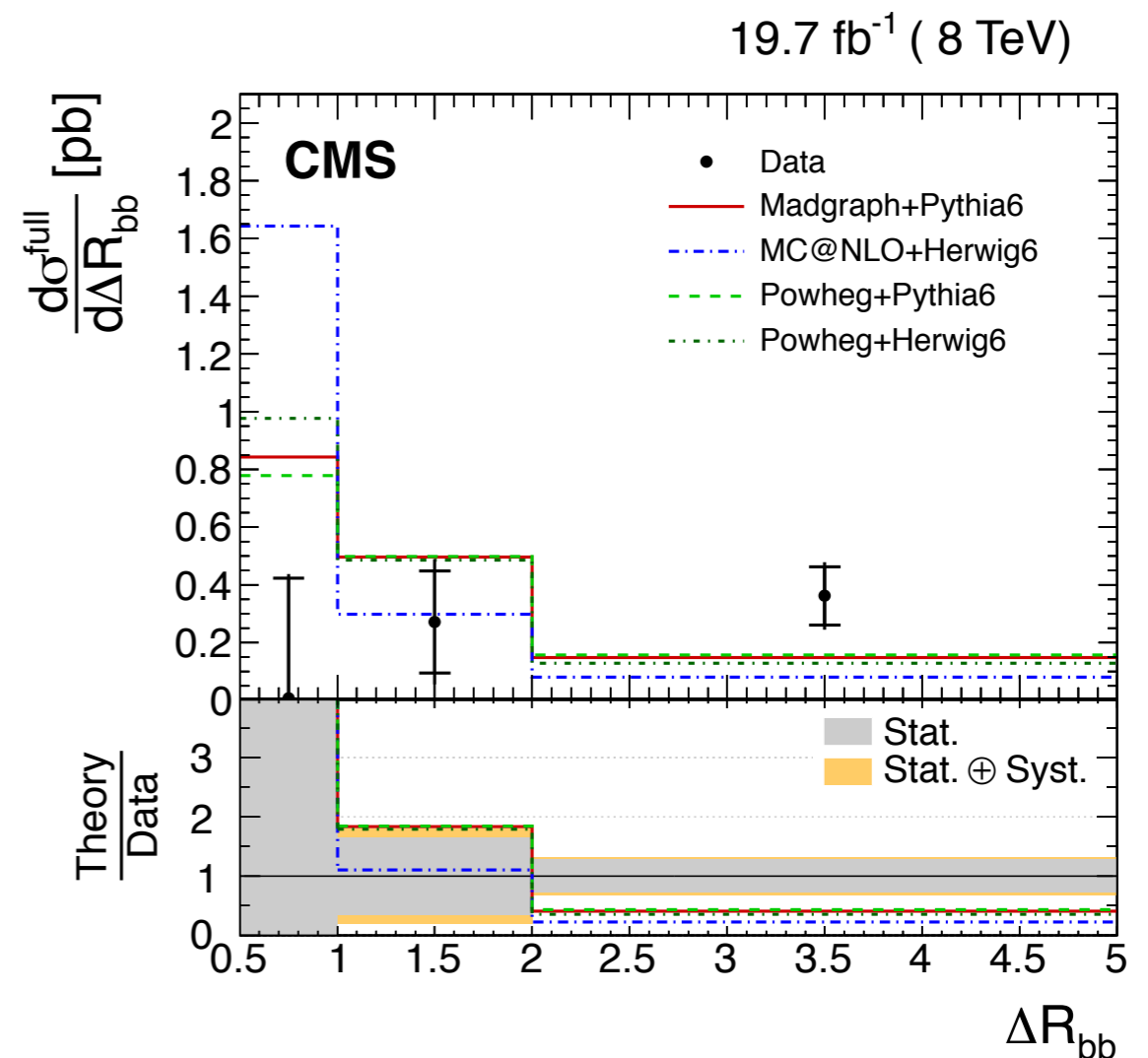
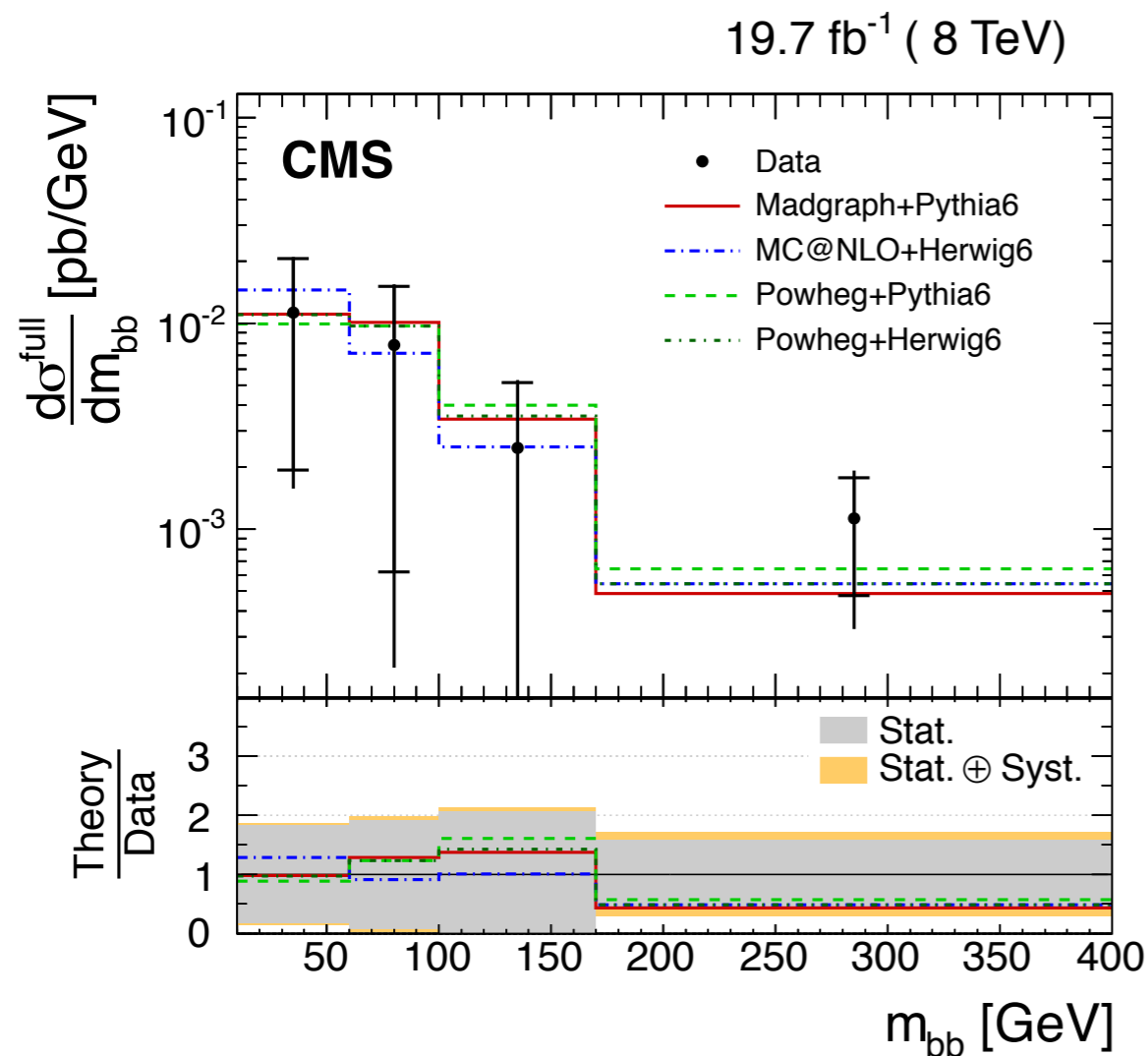
MC predictions normalised to Data

Even larger statistical uncertainty

Can't discriminate between different predictions yet

Pair of additional  $b$  jets:  $p_T > 20$  GeV,  $|\eta| < 2.4$

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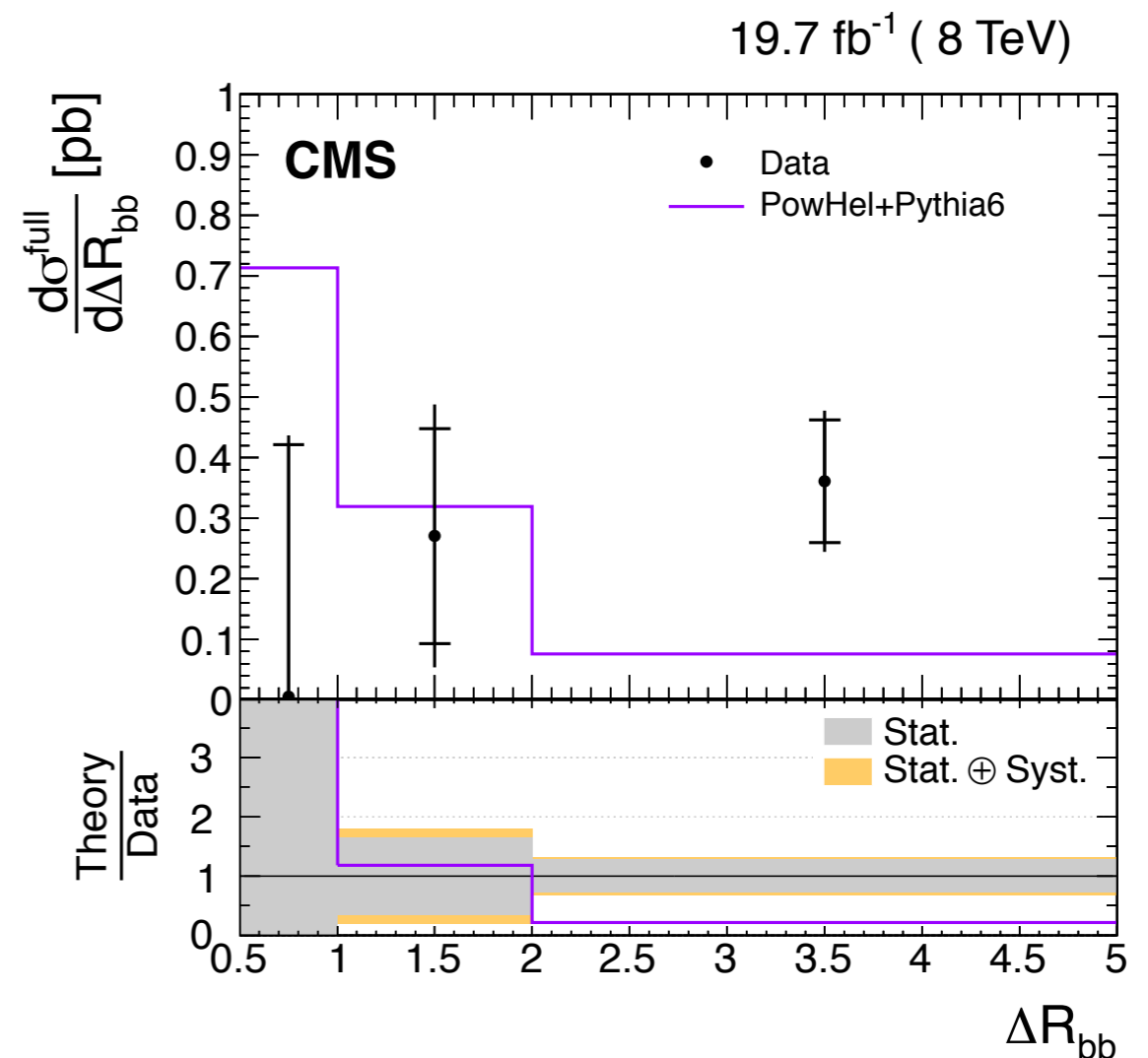
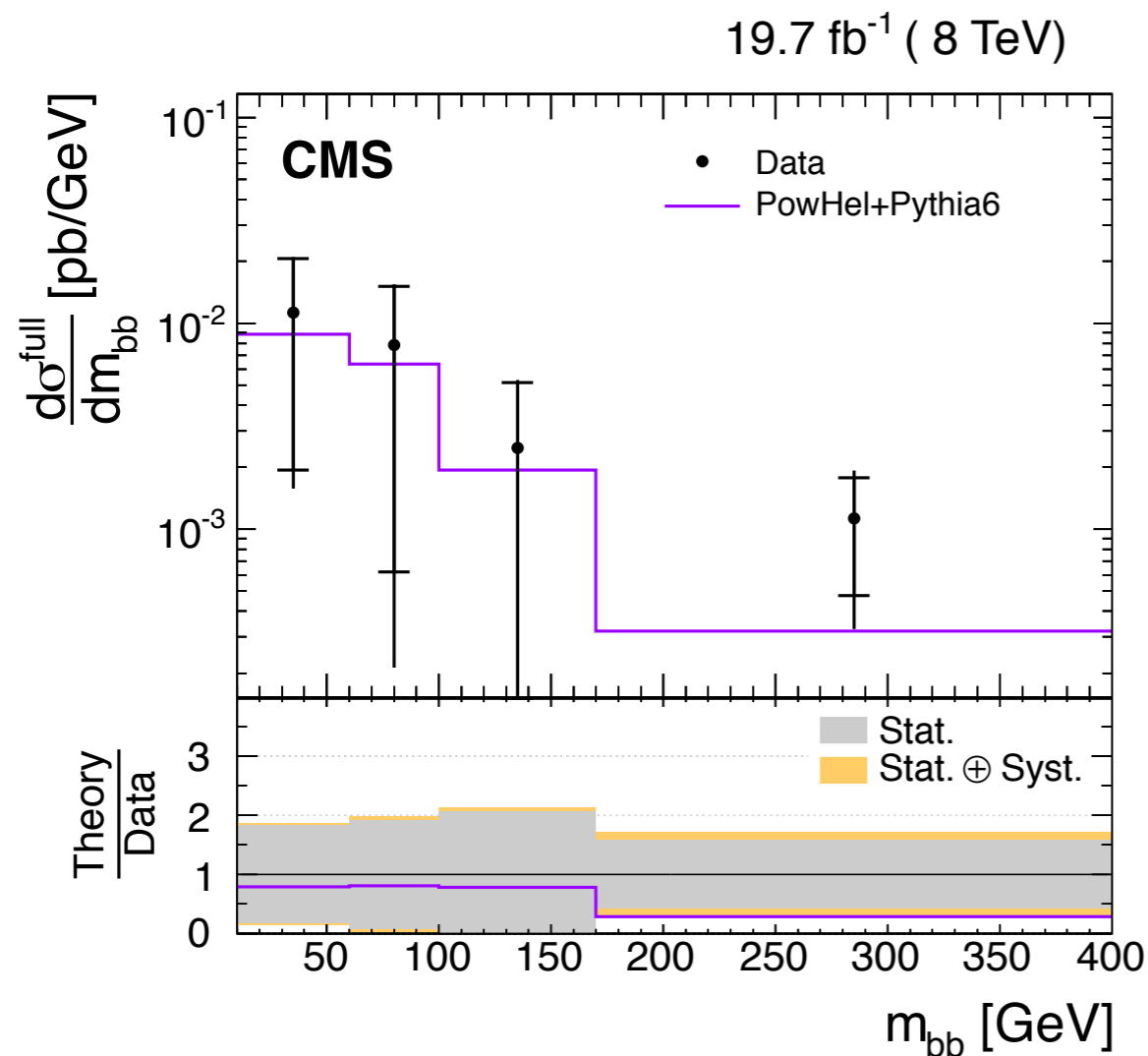
**MC predictions normalised to Data**

$m_{bb}$  well described. Not much difference between predictions

$\Delta R_{bb}$  affected by migrations due to wrong  $b$ -jet assignments

Pair of additional  $b$  jets:  $p_T > 20$  GeV,  $|\eta| < 2.4$

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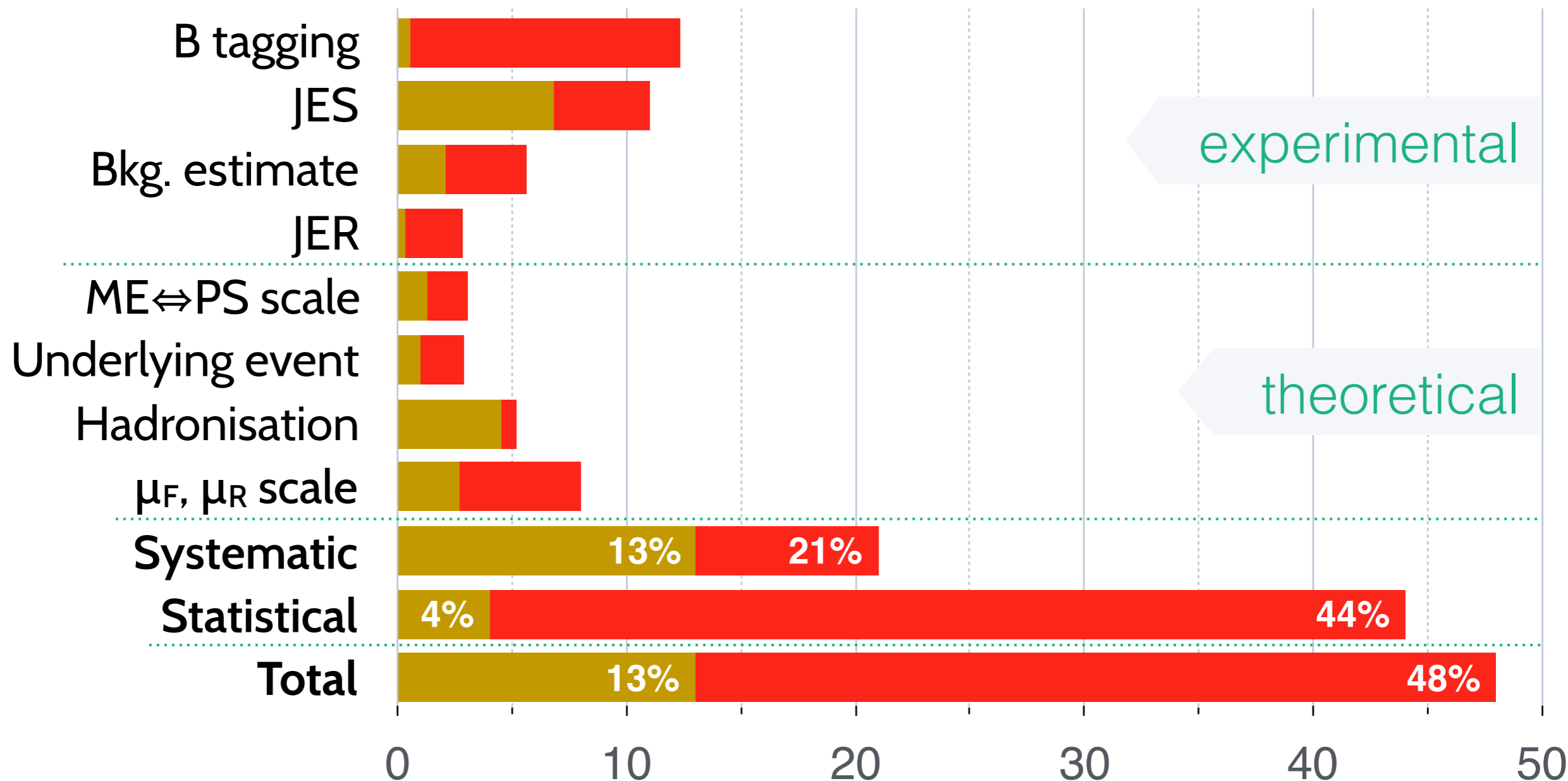
Compared to a **full NLO** calculation: identical process definitions

Shapes and normalisations compared

Normalisation uncertainty on the NLO prediction:  $\sim 30\%$

Precision limited by systematic (statistical) uncertainty in  $tt+jj$  ( $tt+bb$ )

Typical uncertainties: median of bins  $\rightarrow$  average over variables



Significant improvement expected with more data from  $\sqrt{s}=13$  TeV

# Summary

**Top-quark production with heavy-flavour jets is an important process to study, especially in view of  $ttH$  searches**

**Inclusive measurements performed in dileptonic and semileptonic decay channels**

- consistent results, compatible with NLO predictions
- cross-section increase due to Parton Shower evaluated
- modelling uncertainties comparable to experimental

**Differential measurement performed in dileptonic channel**

- important side-band region for  $ttH(H \rightarrow bb)$  searches
- comparison to NLO  $ttbb$  calculation shows good agreement
- limited by available statistics from Run I data

**Many improvements expected in Run II** statistics, b-tag, theory, ...



**Thank you**  
for attention