



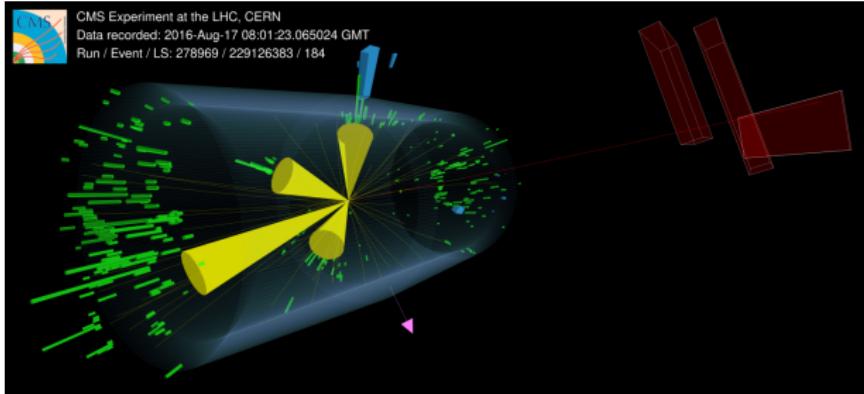
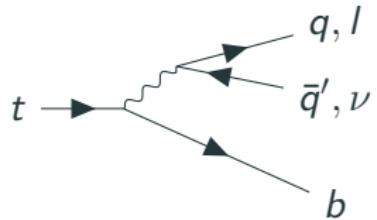
# Studies of top quark properties in CMS

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# The top quark

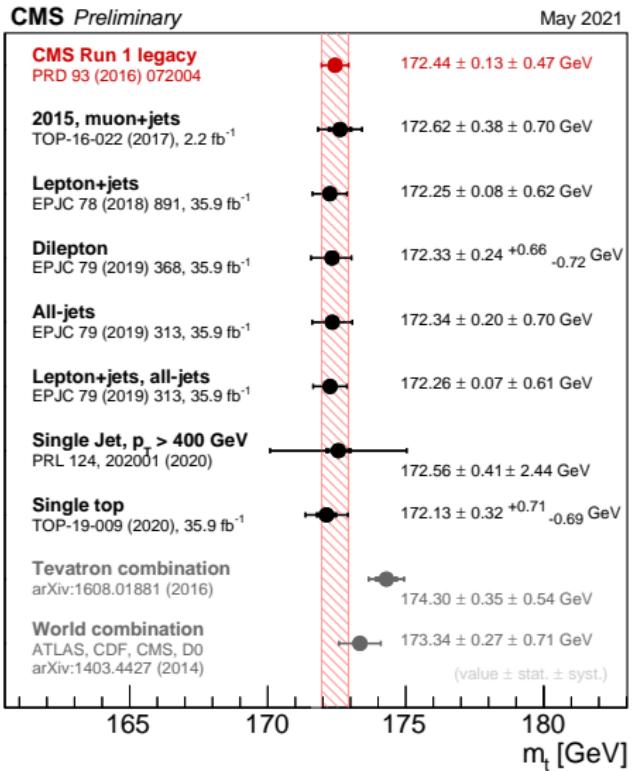
- So far no signs for BSM physics in direct searches
- Precision measurements of its properties could reveal indirect effects
- Includes both QCD and EW



# The top quark mass

- Extensive effort in CMS to measure  $m_t$
- Covered in [Marco's talk] and [Matteo's talk]

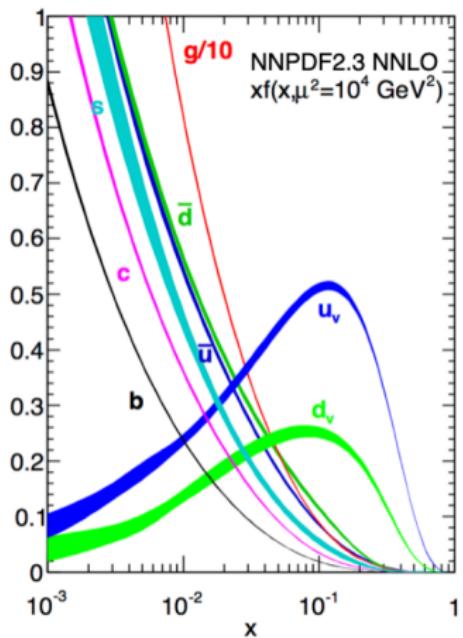
Many more already published →



# Charge asymmetry in $t\bar{t}$

**NEW!**

[TOP-21-014, submitted to Phys. Lett. B]



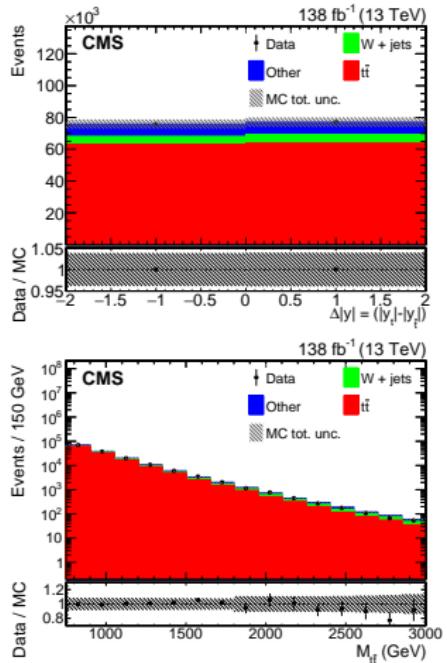
- Study of central-forward asymmetry in  $t\bar{t}$
- $A_C = \frac{N(\Delta|y| > 0) - N(\Delta|y| < 0)}{N(\Delta|y| > 0) + N(\Delta|y| < 0)}$   
( $\Delta|y| = |y_t| - |\bar{y}_{\bar{t}}|$ )
- At LO, no asymmetry
- Higher order effects in  $q\bar{q} \rightarrow t\bar{t}$
- Boosted regime enriches  $q\bar{q}$  production
- SM prediction  $\sim 1\%$
- Could be influenced by BSM

# Charge asymmetry in $t\bar{t}$

# NEW!

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- Measurement in  $\ell + \text{jets}$
- AK8 jets with  $p_T > 400 \text{ GeV}$
- Top and W tagging
- Boosted, semi-resolved and resolved reconstruction strategies
- Choose best  $t\bar{t}$  reconstruction with
 
$$\chi^2 = \left( \frac{M_{\text{lep}} - \overline{M}_{\text{lep}}}{\sigma_{\text{lep}}} \right)^2 + \left( \frac{M_{\text{had}} - \overline{M}_{\text{had}}}{\sigma_{\text{had}}} \right)^2$$

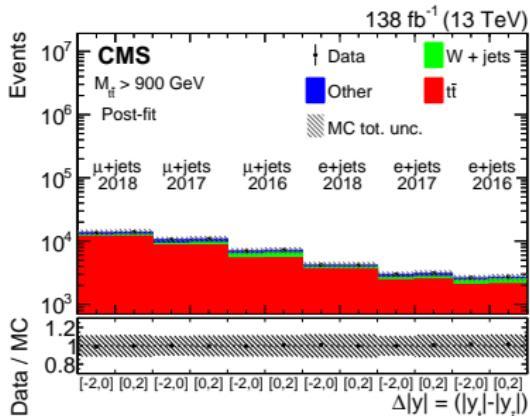
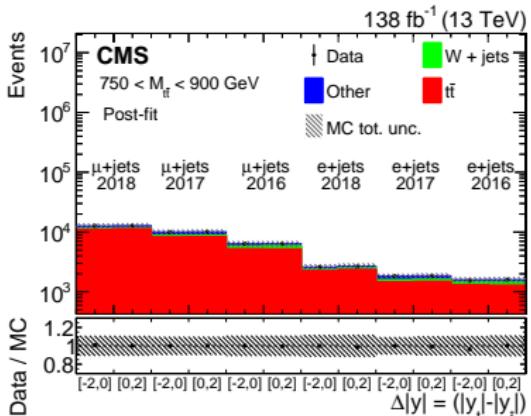


→ Measure  $\Delta|y|$  in bins of  $M_{t\bar{t}}$   
 $(M_{t\bar{t}} > 750 \text{ GeV})$

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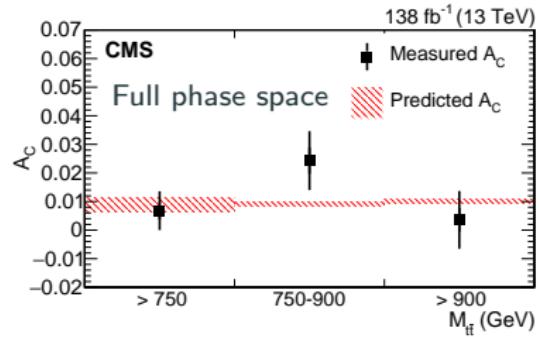
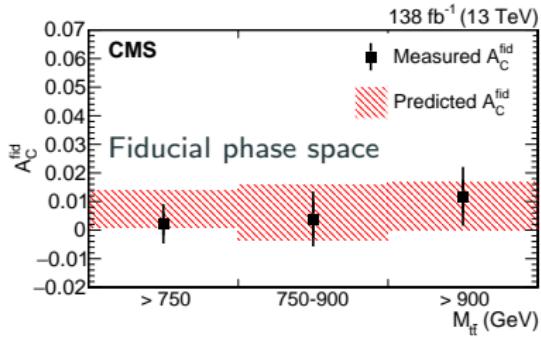
- Maximum likelihood fit and likelihood-based unfolding
- Two  $M_{t\bar{t}}$  bins:  $[750, 900], [900, \infty]$
- Differential in lepton flavor (electron, muon)
- Three years

# Charge asymmetry in $t\bar{t}$

# NEW!

[TOP-21-014, submitted to Phys. Lett. B]

- $A_C$  also obtained in **fiducial** and **full** phase space with acceptance from generator level
- Good agreement with SM
- Largest uncertainties:  
QCD scales, FSR, Top  $p_T$  modelling, JEC





# CP violation in $t\bar{t}$ ( $\ell$ +jets)

[TOP-20-005, submitted to JHEP]

- Search for CP violation in  $t\bar{t}$
- Can be caused by BSM physics, see chromoelectric dipole moment (CEDM) interpretation in [\[Jiwon's talk\]](#)
- Construction of 4 CP observables based on final state 4-momenta → full reconstruction

$$O_3 = Q_\ell \epsilon(p_b, p_{\bar{b}}, p_\ell, p_{j_1}) \propto Q_\ell \vec{p}_b^* \cdot (\vec{p}_\ell^* \times \vec{p}_{j_1}^*),$$

$$O_6 = Q_\ell \epsilon(P, p_b - p_{\bar{b}}, p_\ell, p_{j_1}) \propto Q_\ell (\vec{p}_b - \vec{p}_{\bar{b}}) \cdot (\vec{p}_\ell \times \vec{p}_{j_1}),$$

$$O_{12} = q \cdot (p_b - p_{\bar{b}}) \epsilon(P, q, p_b, p_{\bar{b}}) \propto (\vec{p}_b - \vec{p}_{\bar{b}})_z \cdot (\vec{p}_b \times \vec{p}_{\bar{b}})_z,$$

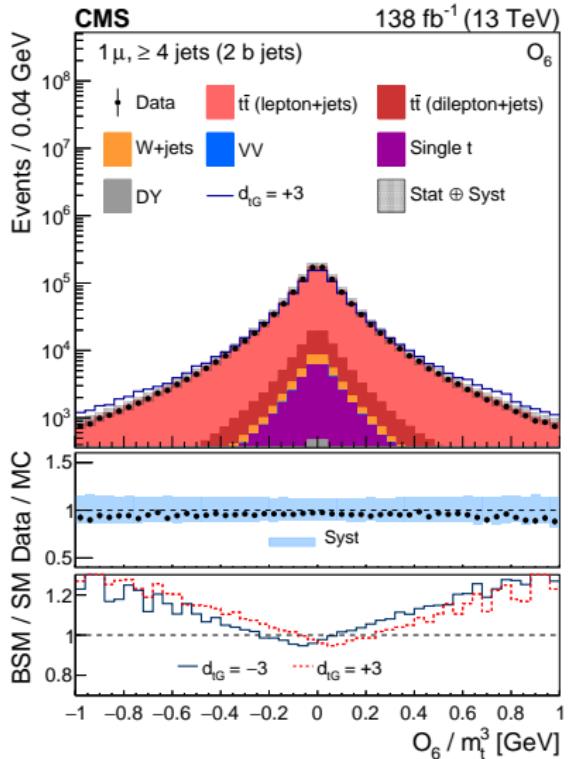
$$O_{14} = \epsilon(P, p_b + p_{\bar{b}}, p_\ell, p_{j_1}) \propto (\vec{p}_b + \vec{p}_{\bar{b}}) \cdot (\vec{p}_\ell \times \vec{p}_{j_1}).$$

# CP violation in $t\bar{t}$ ( $\ell + \text{jets}$ )

[TOP-20-005, submitted to JHEP]

- $\ell + \text{jets}$  channel,  $\geq 4$  jets, 2 b-tagged
- $t\bar{t}$  reconstruction with  $\chi^2$
- Measure CP observables and define asymmetry:
$$A_{\text{CP}} = \frac{N(O_i > 0) - N(O_i < 0)}{N(O_i > 0) + N(O_i < 0)},$$

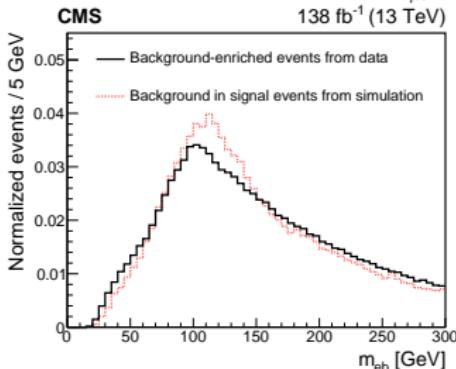
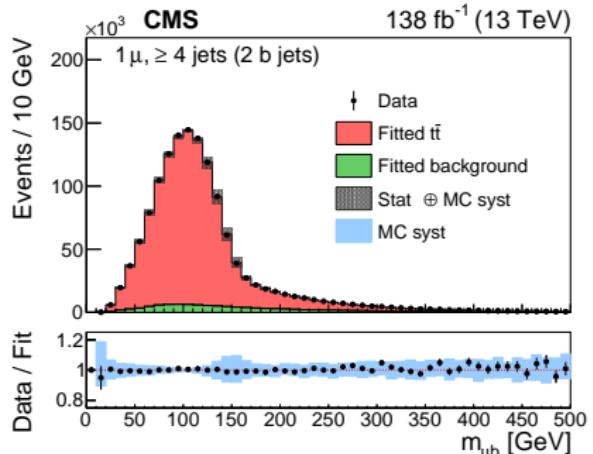
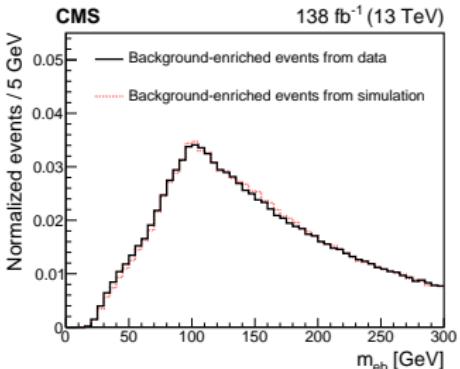
$$i = 3, 6, 12, 14$$
- Expected to be zero in SM



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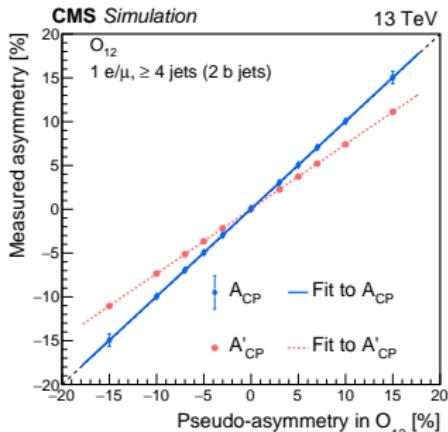
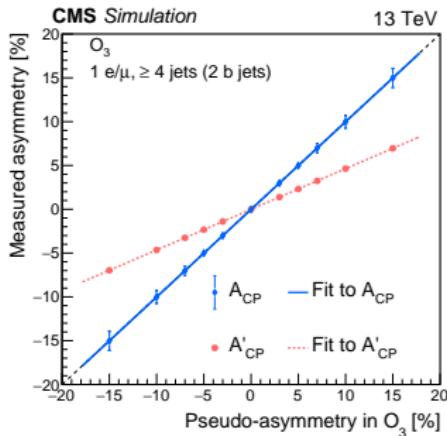
- Background estimation with fit to  $m_{lb}$
- Additional uncertainty from different shapes in signal region



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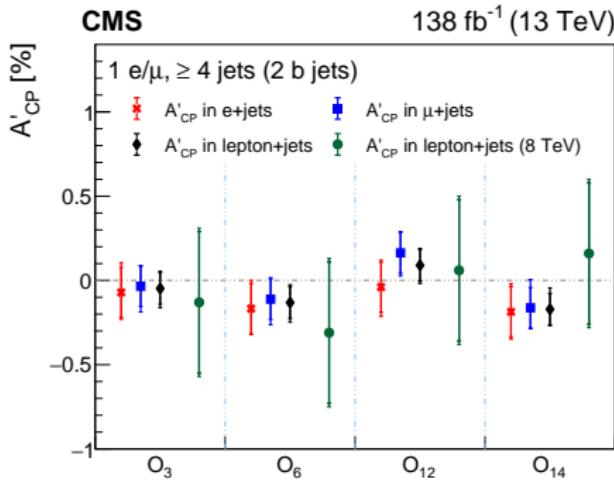
- True  $A_{\text{CP}}$  is diluted by detector and reconstruction effects
- Measurement of  $A'_{\text{CP}} = D \cdot A_{\text{CP}}$
- Estimate dilution factor  $D = \epsilon_c - \epsilon_w$  (fractions of correct and wrong sign of  $O_i$  compared to generator level)
- Smaller  $D$  for  $O_3$  and  $O_6$  because they are sensitive to charge of b quarks



CP observable	Dilution factor $D$
$O_3$	$0.46^{+0.01}_{-0.02}$
$O_6$	$0.44^{+0.01}_{-0.02}$
$O_{12}$	$0.74^{+0.01}_{-0.02}$
$O_{14}$	$0.60^{+0.01}_{-0.01}$

# CP violation in $t\bar{t}$ ( $\ell + \text{jets}$ )

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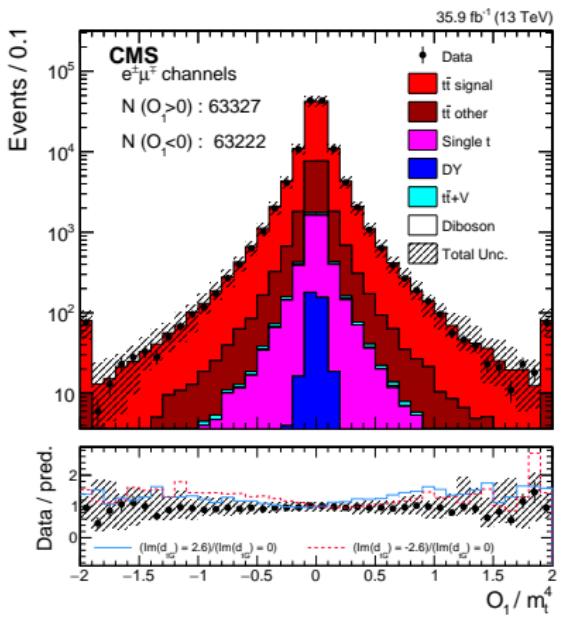
- $A'_{CP}$  compatible with SM
- JEC, JER and background estimation largest exp. uncertainties
- ME-PS matching and UE largest model uncertainties
- Precision improved by a factor of 3
- BSM interpretation in [Jiwon's talk]

# CP violation in $t\bar{t}$ (dilepton)

[TOP-18-007, submitted to JHEP]

- Similar analysis in dilepton
- 2 opposite sign leptons,  
 $\geq 2$  jets,  $\geq 1$  b-tagged
- $m_{\ell\ell} > 20$  GeV and outside Z mass for ee and  $\mu\mu$
- Full  $t\bar{t}$  reconstruction with  $m_t$  and  $m_W$  constraints
- Discard events where no solution for neutrinos is found
- Two CP observables:

$$O_1 = \epsilon(p_t, p_{\bar{t}}, p_{\ell^+}, p_{\ell^-}), O_3 = \epsilon(p_b, p_{\bar{b}}, p_{\ell^+}, p_{\ell^-})$$



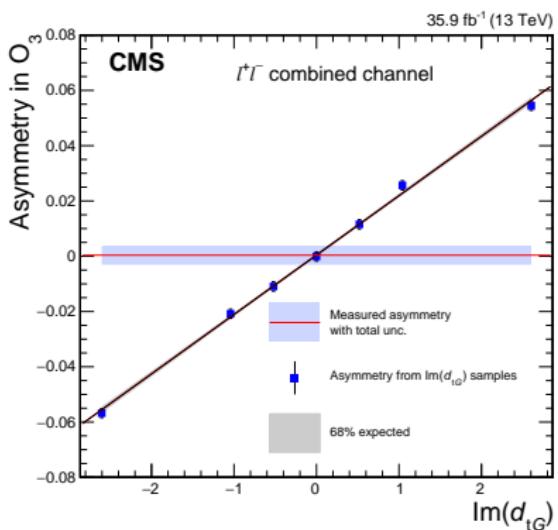
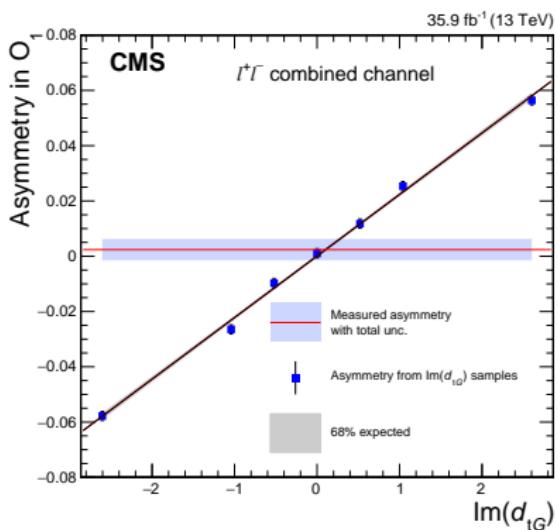
# CP violation in $t\bar{t}$ (dilepton)

[TOP-18-007, submitted to JHEP]

- Both  $A_{CP}(O_{1,3}) = \frac{N(O_{1,3}>0)-N(O_{1,3}<0)}{N(O_{1,3}>0)+N(O_{1,3}<0)}$  consistent with zero
- Largest source of uncertainties from limited background sample size

$$A_{CP}(O_1) = 0.0024 \pm 0.0028$$

$$A_{CP}(O_3) = 0.0004 \pm 0.0028$$



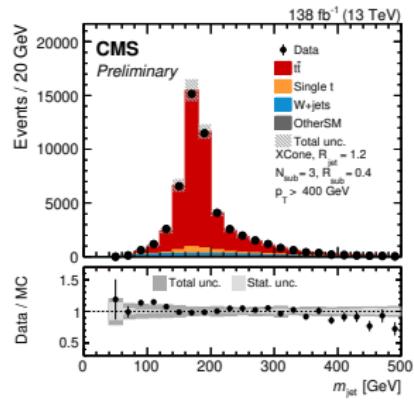
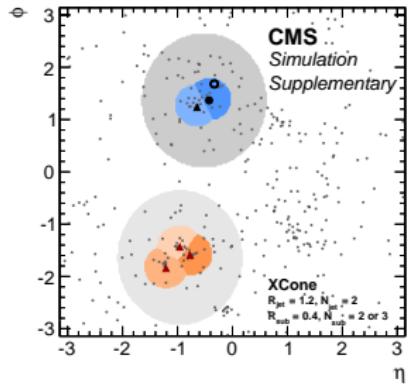
BSM interpretation in [Jiwon's talk]

# Measuring $m_{\text{jet}}$ in boosted $t\bar{t}$

**NEW!**

[TOP-21-012], [Stewart et al, JHEP 11 (2015) 072], [Thaler & Wilkason, JHEP 12 (2015) 051]

- Differential  $t\bar{t}$  cross section as a function of  $m_{\text{jet}}$
- $m_{\text{jet}}$  important jet substructure observable (QCD, taggers, ...)
- $m_t$  extraction covered in [Matteo's talk]
  
- $\ell + \text{jets}$  channel in boosted regime
- Two-step jet clustering with XCone  
→ Increase precision by calibrating jet mass scale and FSR modeling

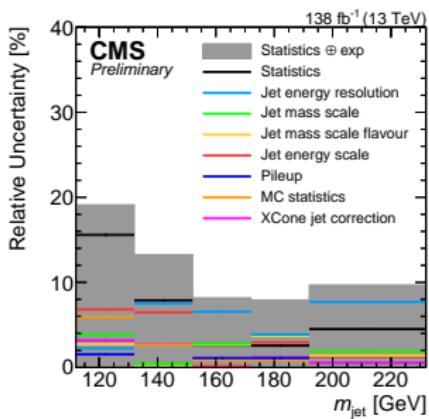
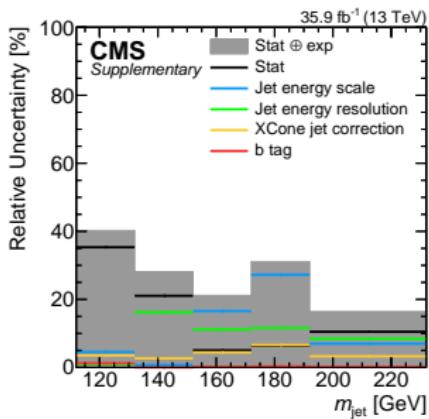
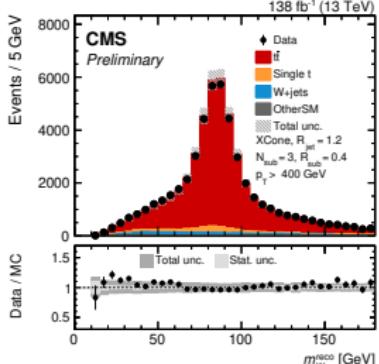


# Measuring $m_{\text{jet}}$ in boosted $t\bar{t}$

**NEW!**

[TOP-21-012], [Phys. Rev. Lett. 124 (2020) 202001]

- Jet mass scale measured with reconstructed W
- Add flavour uncertainty to account for differences of b jets and light jets

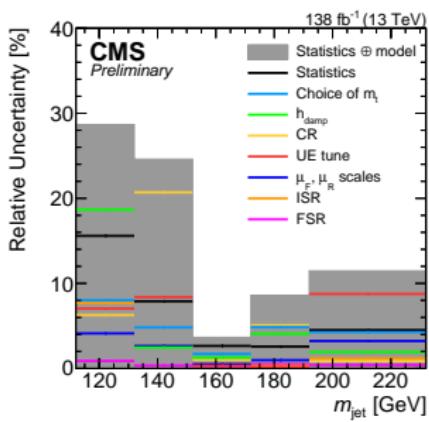
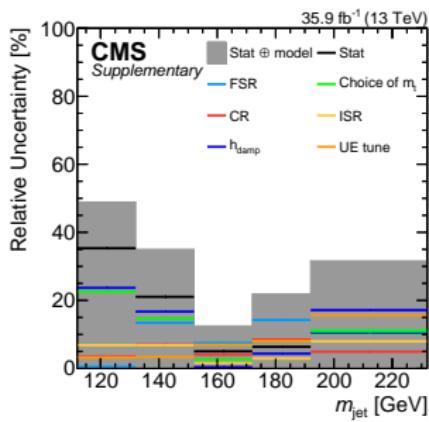
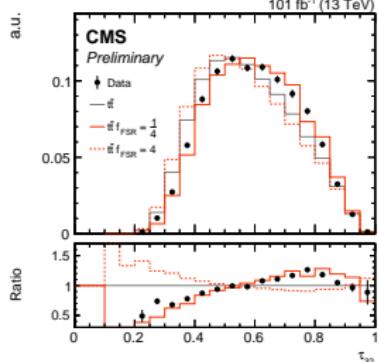


# Measuring $m_{\text{jet}}$ in boosted $t\bar{t}$

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[TOP-21-012], [Phys. Rev. Lett. 124 (2020) 202001]

- FSR modeling calibrated with jet substructure  $\tau_{32}$
- Tune MC to describe jet substructure in boosted regime

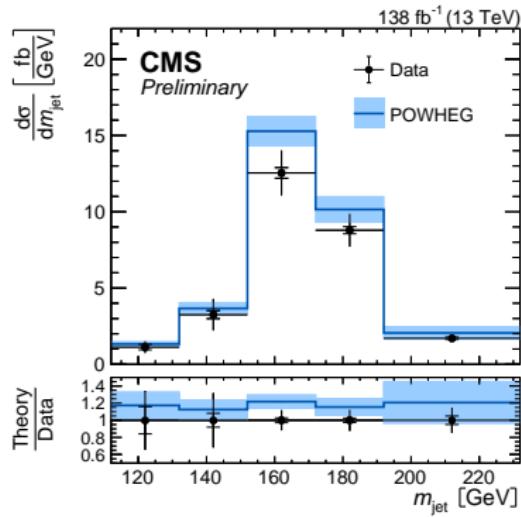


# Measuring $m_{\text{jet}}$ in boosted $t\bar{t}$

**NEW!**

[TOP-21-012]

- Regularized unfolding with TUnfold
- Important jet substructure measurement
- Dominant exp. uncertainties related to JMS
- Largest model uncertainties ME-PS matching, color reconnection,  $m_t$
- Largely reduced uncertainties  
( $m_t$  extraction in [Matteo's talk])



# Summary

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- We are within precision era of top physics at LHC
- Many properties of the top quark are measured with high detail
- So far no significant deviation from the SM is found
- Experimental uncertainties well under control

