

Top quark measurements in CMS

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 - top pair, $t\bar{t}b\bar{b}/t\bar{t}j\bar{j}$, $t\bar{t}H$, $t\bar{t}W/Z$
 - SM parameter constraints: α_s , m_t^{pole}
- Single top cross section
- Top quark properties:
 - top mass, spin correlations, $|V_{tb}|$, charge asymmetry, polarisation
- Beyond the Standard Model
 - FCNC

Top quark

The heaviest SM particle: $m_t = 172.2 \pm 0.8$ GeV (CMS combination)

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

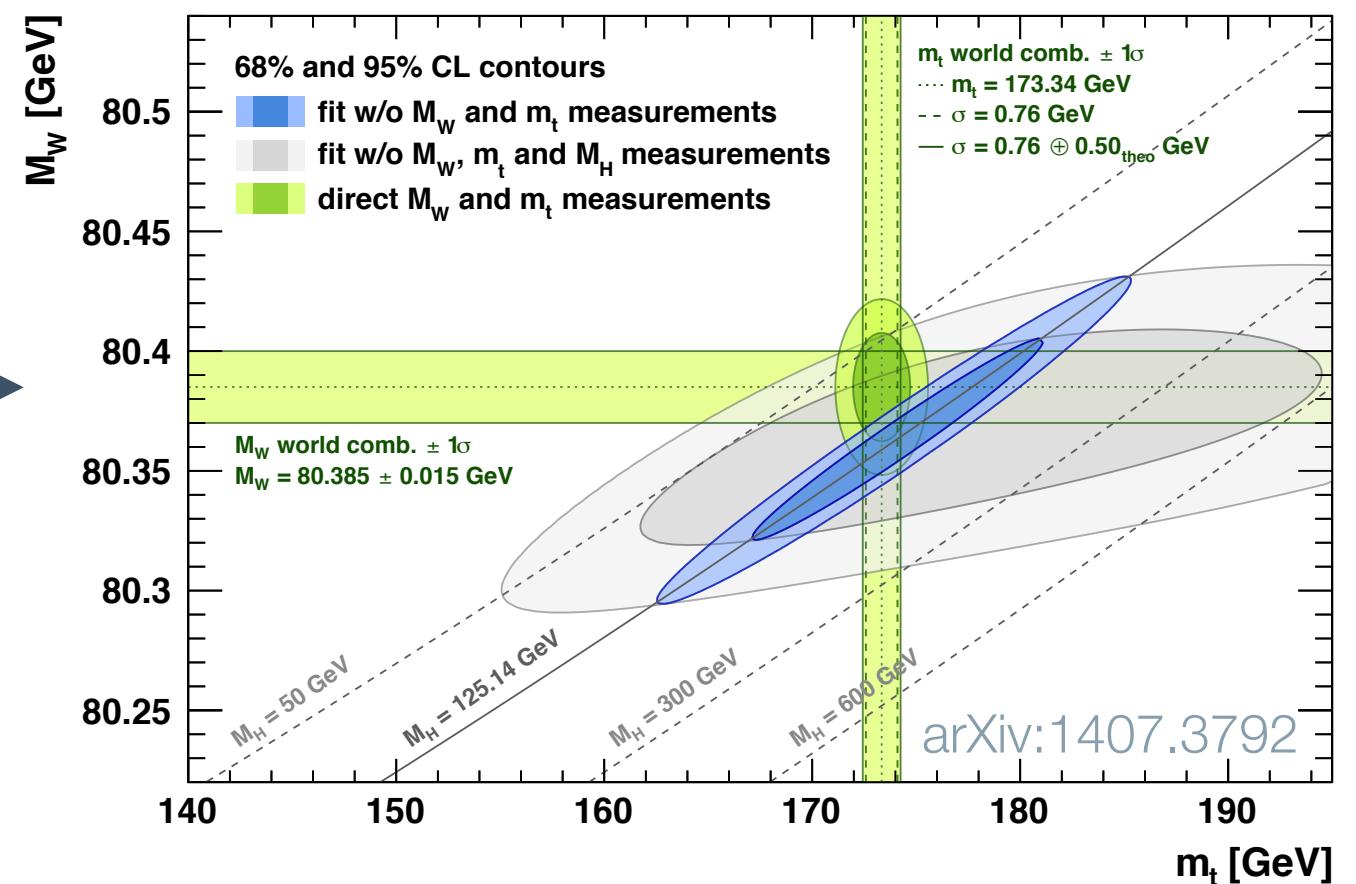
bare quark properties accessible: mass, $|V_{tb}|$, spin, charge,...

Top quark mass – important Standard Model parameter

The Higgs boson preferentially couples to the top quark

Can be used for testing the SM consistency of m_H , m_W , m_t →
pQCD precision tests

Main background in many BSM searches



Top quark production

LHC – top quark factory

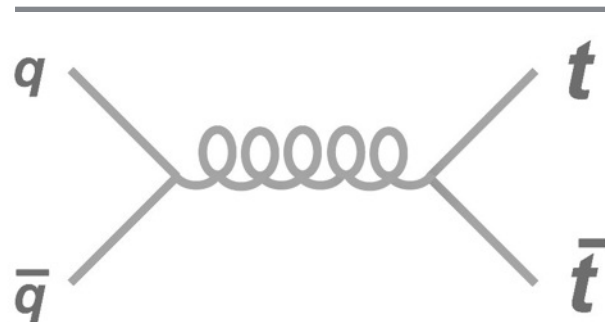
Top pair production: via QCD interactions

NNLO $m_t=173.3$ GeV

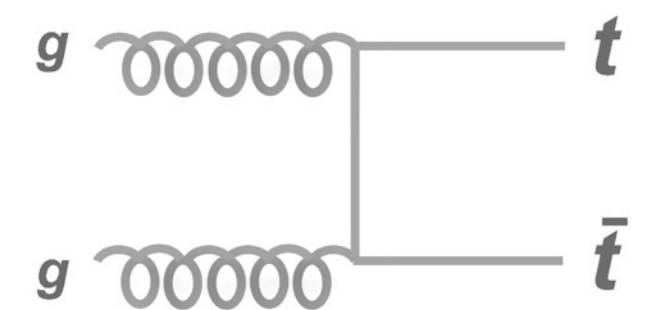
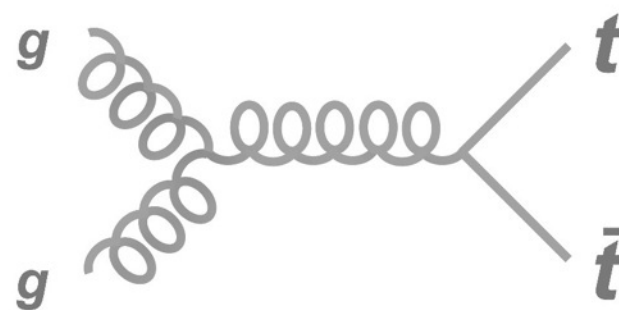
Collider	σ_{tot} [pb]
Tevatron	7.009
LHC 7 TeV	167.0
LHC 8 TeV	239.1
LHC 14 TeV	933.0

arXiv: 1303.6254

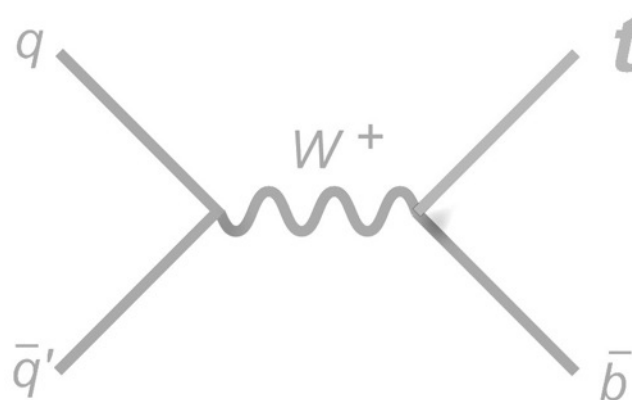
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15% LHC



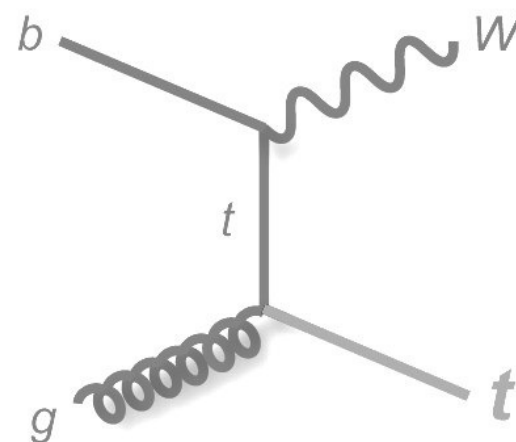
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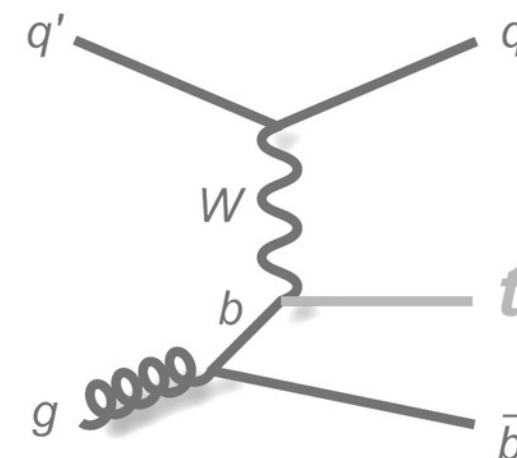
Single top production: via EWK interactions



t-channel



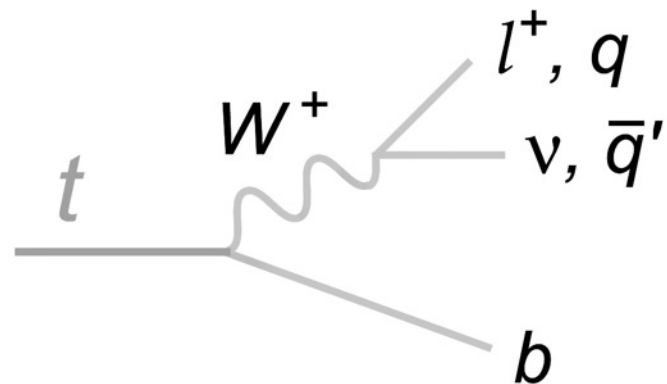
s-channel



tW-channel

Top pair decay signatures

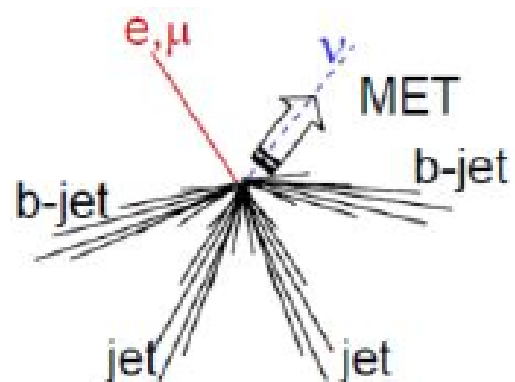
$$t \rightarrow Wb \sim 100\%$$



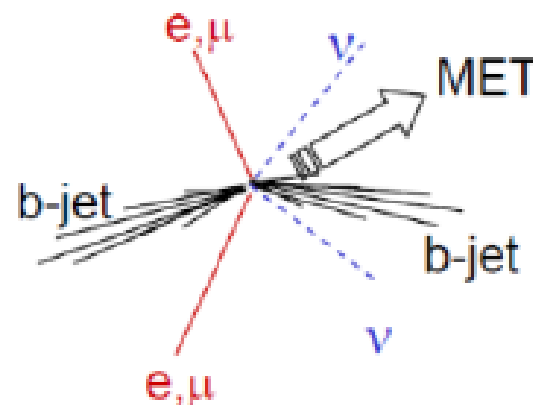
W decay defines final state $\longrightarrow$

Top Pair Decay Channels

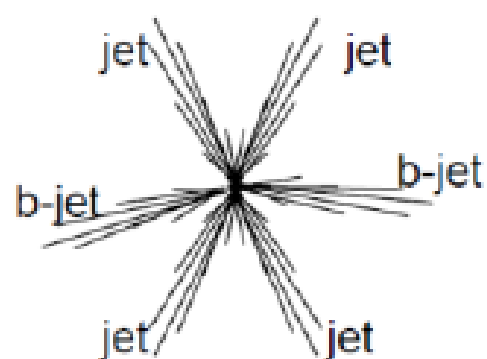
	$\bar{c}s$	$\bar{u}d$	τ^-	μ^-	e^-	W decay
l^+, q	electron+jets	muon+jets	$e\tau$	$e\mu$	ee	e^+
$\nu, \bar{q}'$	all-hadronic	all-hadronic	$\mu\tau$	$\mu\mu$	$e\mu$	μ^+
			$\tau\tau$	$\mu\tau$	$e\tau$	τ^+
			tau+jets	muon+jets	electron+jets	$u\bar{d}$
						$c\bar{s}$



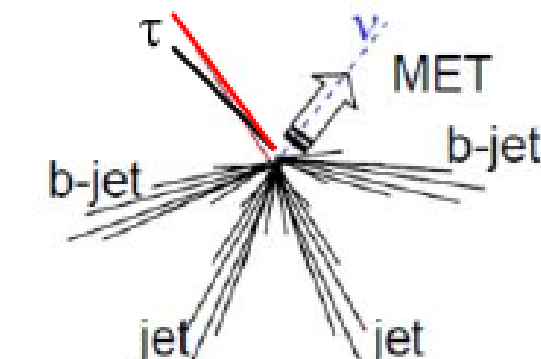
semileptonic $[e/\mu]$ BR $\sim 30\%$
Bkg: W +jets, ...



dileptonic $[e/\mu]$ BR $\sim 5\%$
Bkg: DY +jets, ... (small)

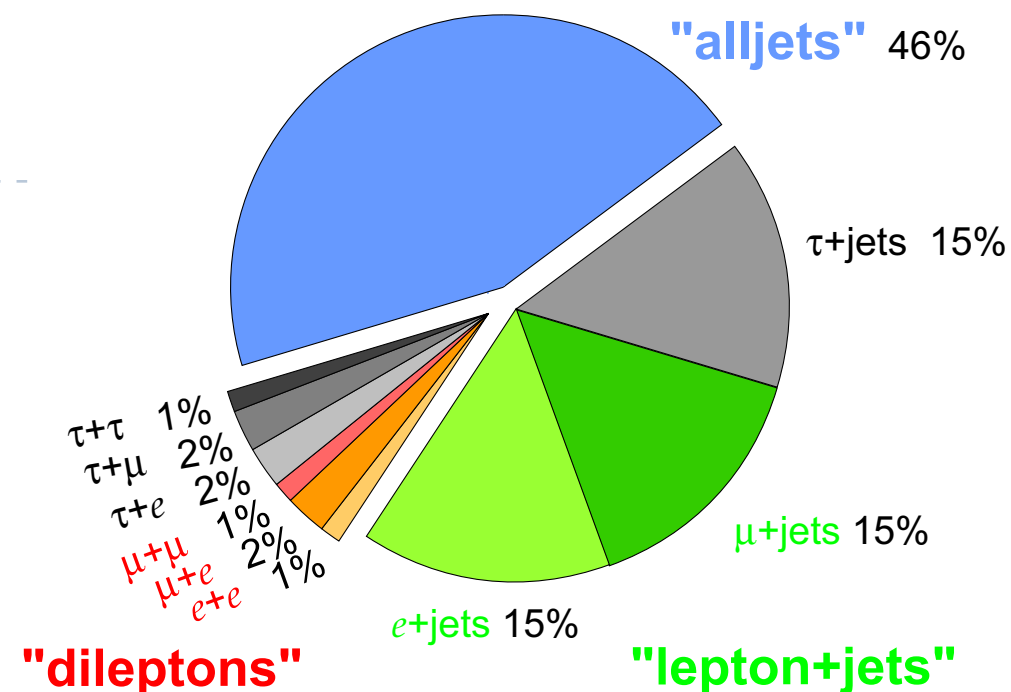


all-hadronic $[e/\mu]$ BR $\sim 46\%$
Bkg: QCD multijet, ... (large)



τ +jets BR $\sim 15\%$

Top Pair Branching Fractions



Top pair production

Top pair inclusive cross section

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dileptonic channel

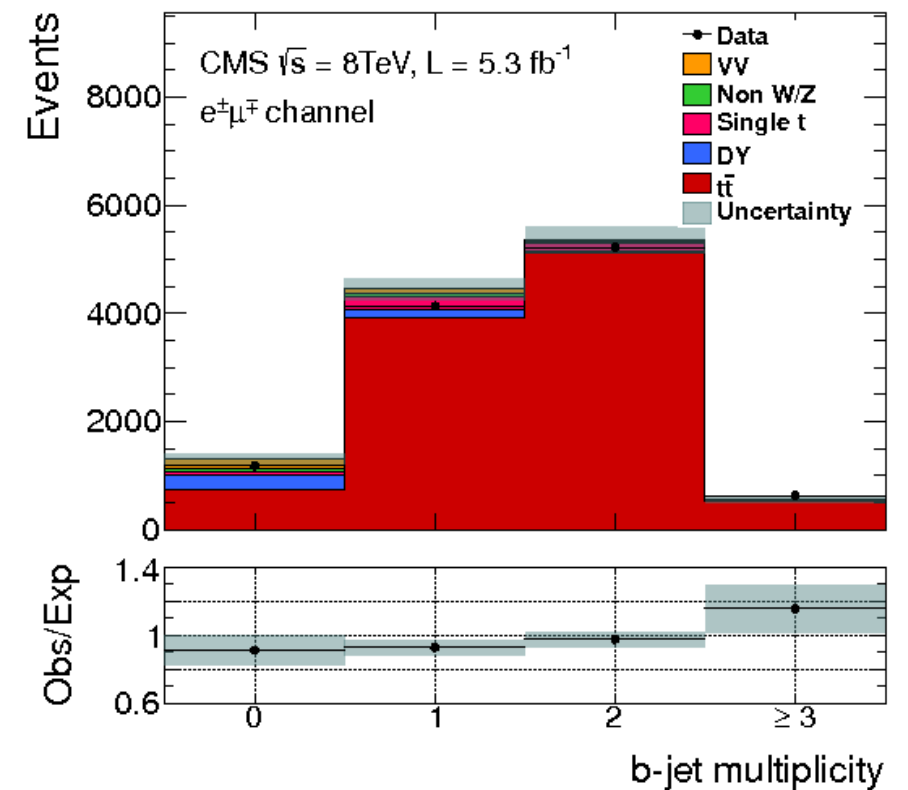
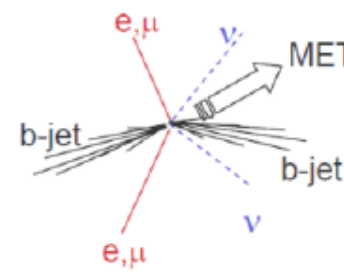
2 oppositely charged isolated high- p_T leptons: **ee**, **e μ** , **$\mu\mu$** – separately

≥ 2 jets, ≥ 1 b-tagged jet

DY and non-W/Z background data estimated

Main systematics: JES, model uncertainties

$$\sigma_{t\bar{t}} = 239.0 \pm 2.1 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 11.3 \text{ (syst.)} \pm 6.2 \text{ (lum.) pb}$$



e+ τ , μ + τ channel

exactly 1 isolated lepton **e/ μ**

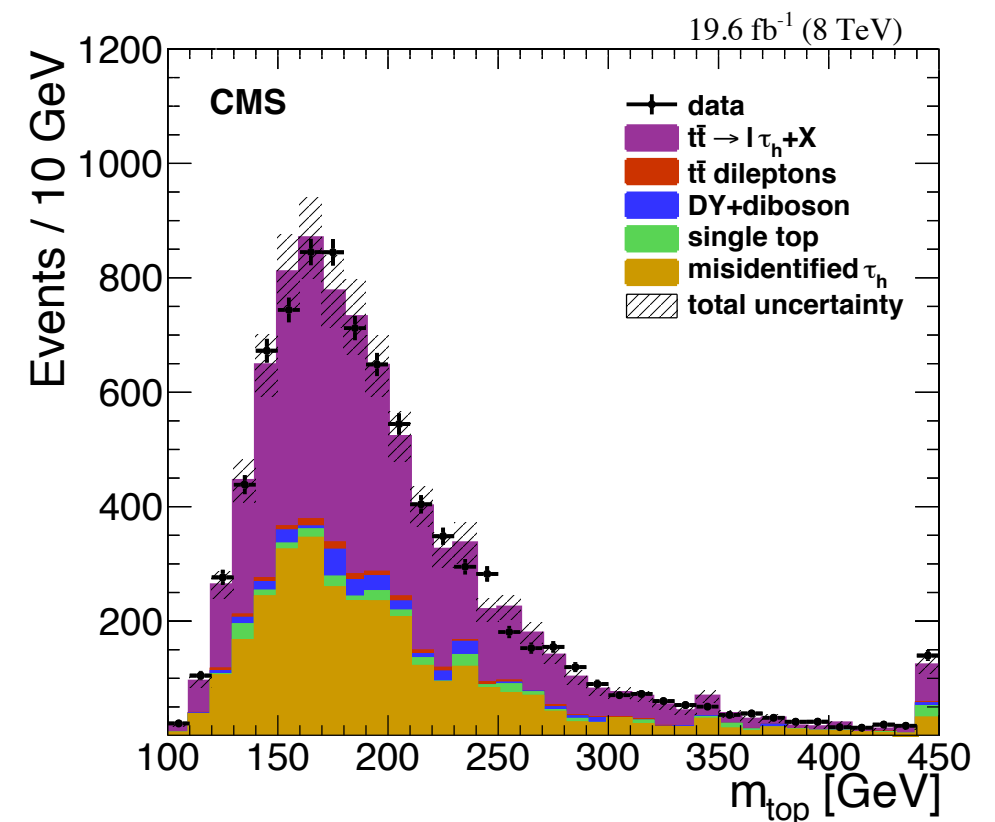
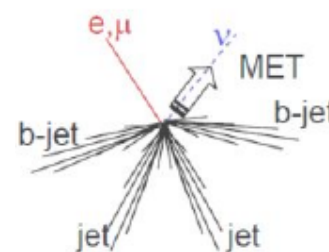
exactly 1 reconstructed hadronic **τ**

Main background: semileptonic $t\bar{t}$

1 jet misidentified as **τ**

$$\sigma_{t\bar{t}} = 257 \pm 3 \text{ (stat)} \pm 24 \text{ (syst)} \pm 7 \text{ (lumi)} \text{ pb}$$

arXiv:1407.6643



Lepton universality satisfied

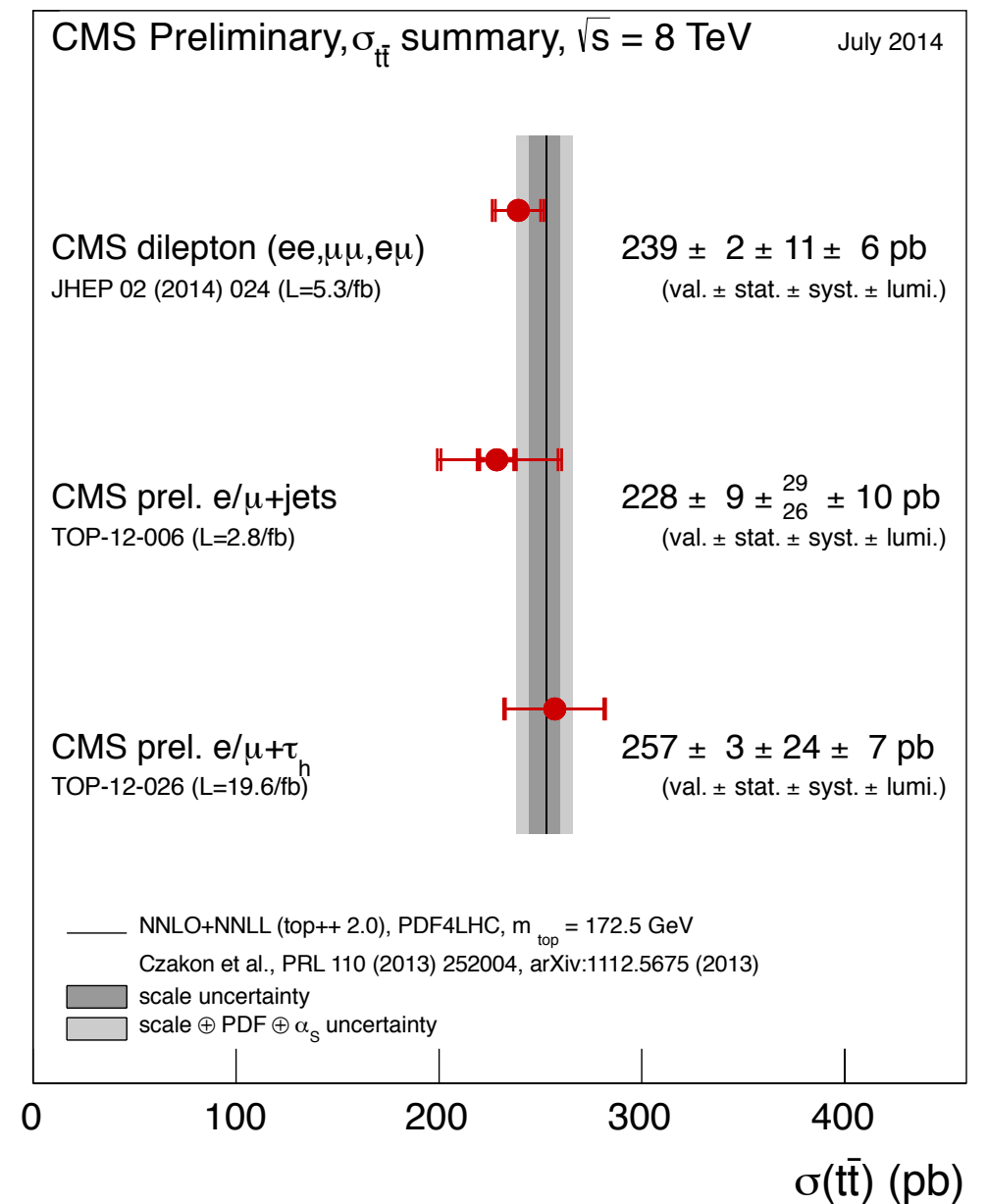
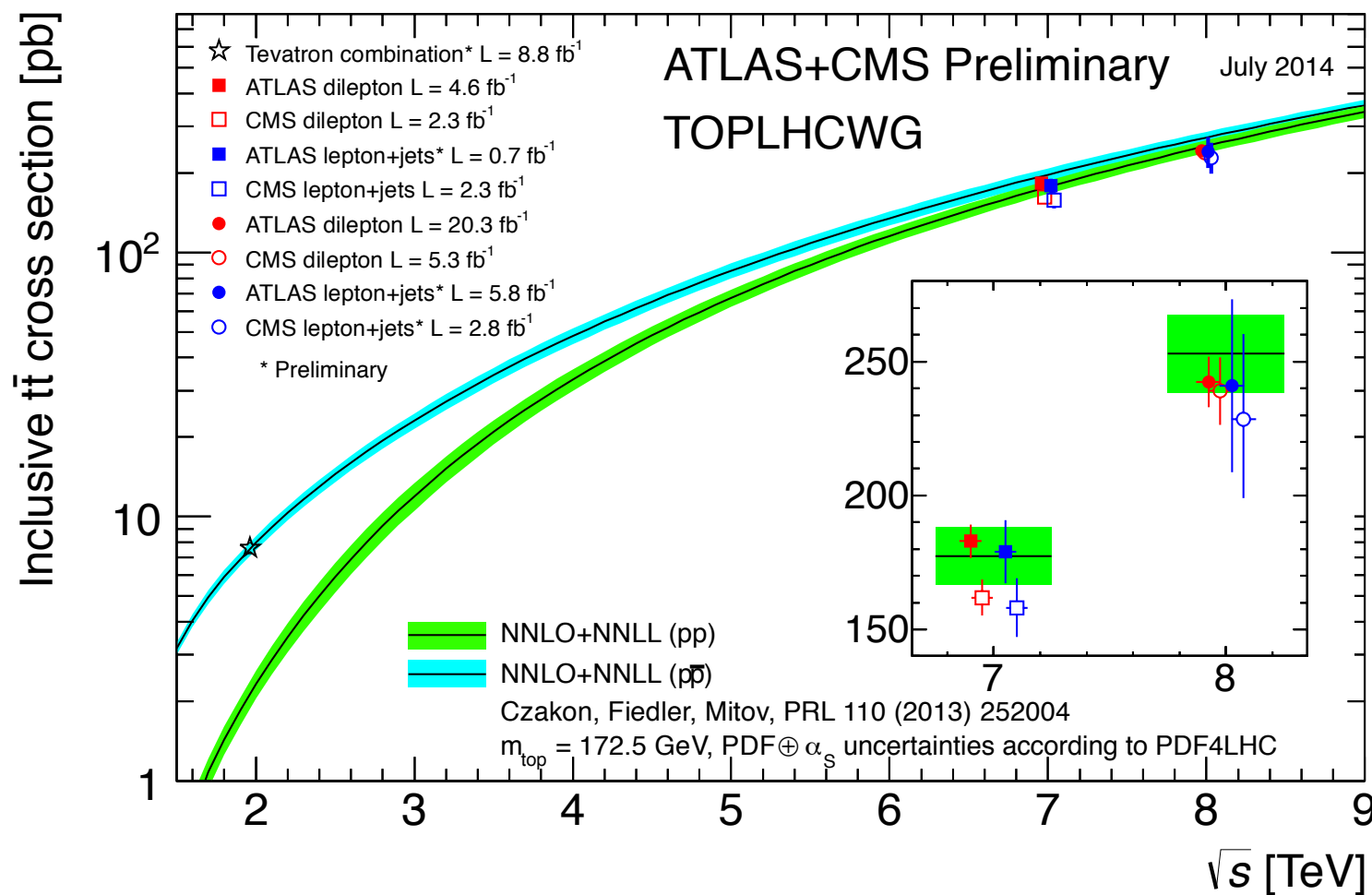
Top pair inclusive cross section

ATLAS+CMS combination of 7TeV and 8TeV measurements

Correlated uncertainties taken into account

Precision driven by the dilepton channel

Limited by systematic uncertainties



Good agreement with theory predictions

Top pole mass and $\alpha_s(m_Z)$

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Top pair production inclusive cross section used to extract:

top pole mass with $\alpha_s(m_Z)$ constrained

$\alpha_s(m_Z)$ with top m_t^{pole} constrained

The first measurement of $\alpha_s(m_Z)$ from $t\bar{t}$ + first full NNLO QCD

Main systematics:

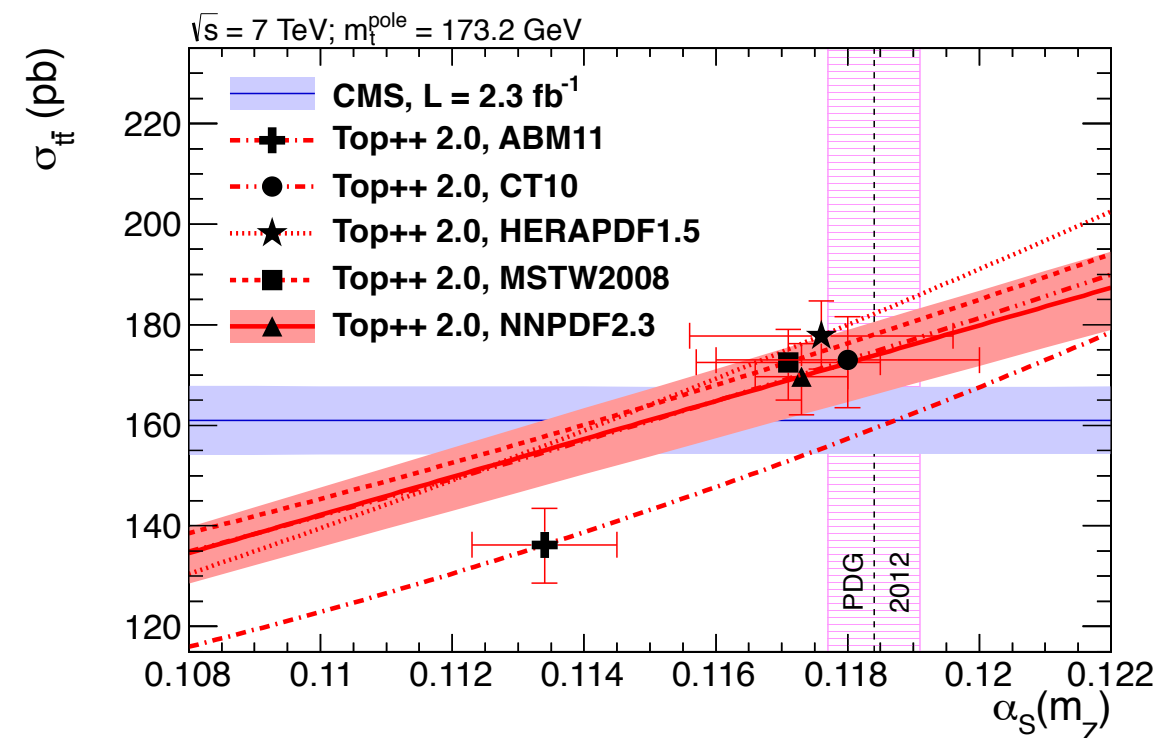
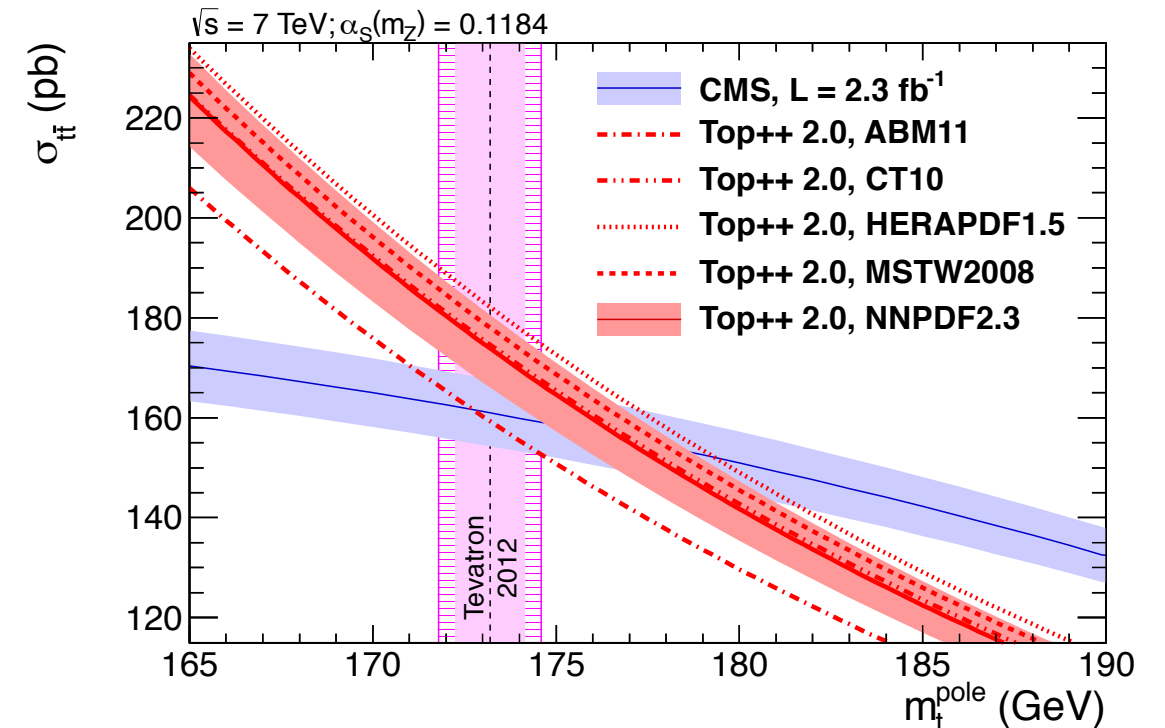
measured $t\bar{t}$ cross section and PDF

Results: (NNPDF2.3)

$$m_t^{\text{pole}} = 176.7^{+3.0}_{-2.8} \text{ GeV}$$

$$\alpha_s(m_Z) = 0.1151^{+0.0028}_{-0.0027}$$

ABM11 has significantly smaller gluon density and α_s



Top pair differential cross sections

Enhance sensitivity to new physics in tails of the distributions
Important test of SM predictions.

Comparison to different
MC generators, theory
calculations

~5-10% precision per bin

Dominant systematic:
signal modelling

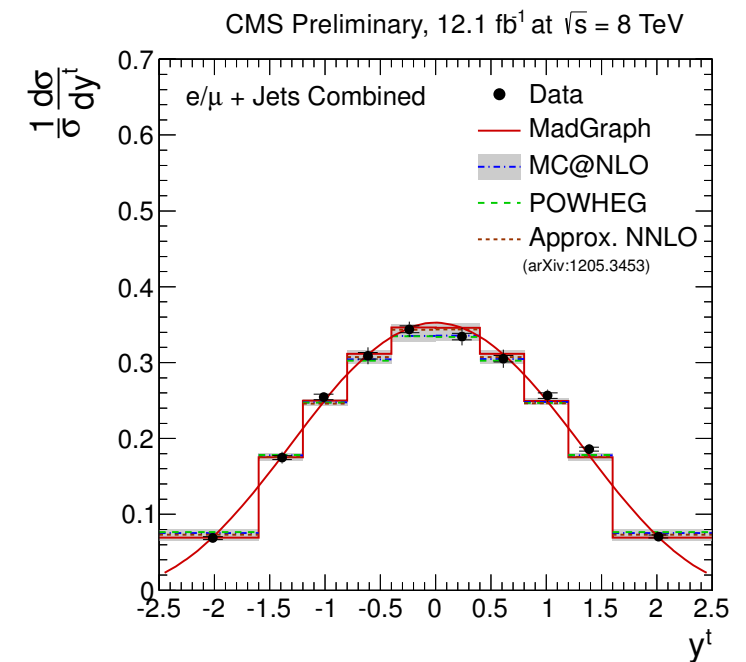
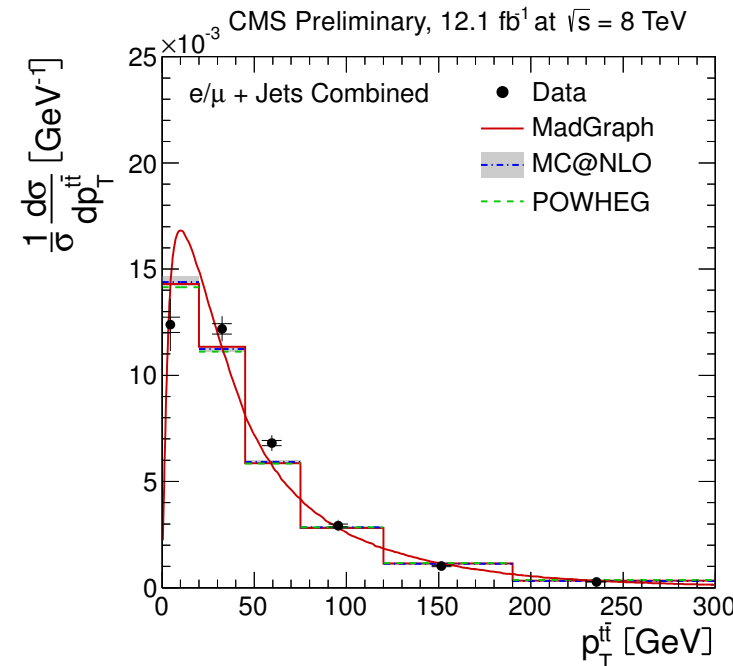
Good description of data

Top quark p_T spectrum
harder in MC predictions.

Better description by
Approx. NNLO

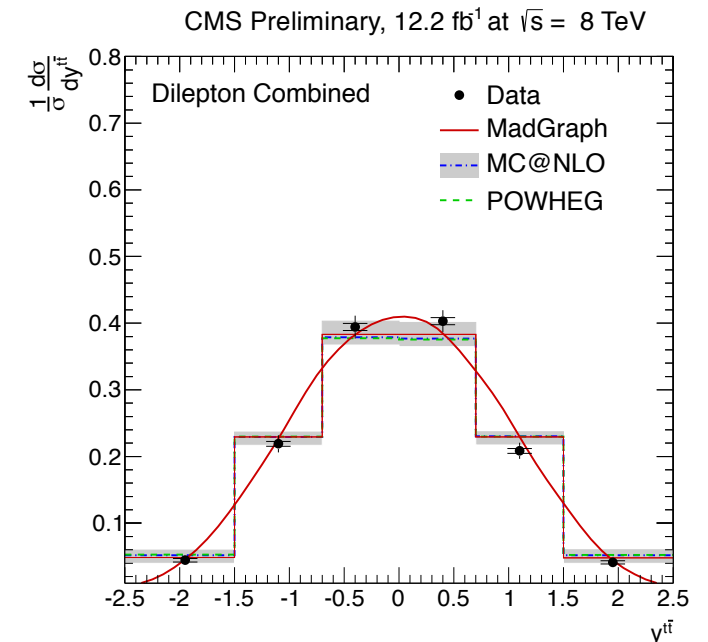
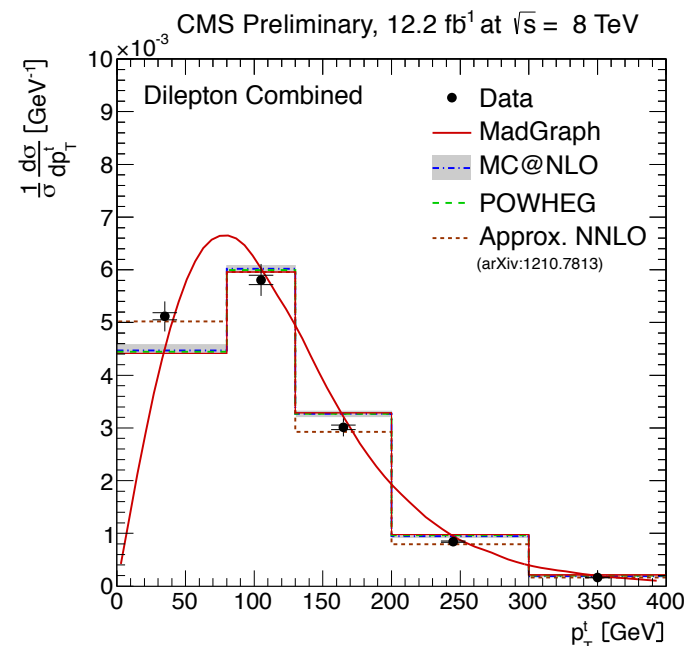
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lepton + jets



CMS PAS TOP-12-028

dilepton



Top pair with additional jets

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Large fraction of $t\bar{t}$ produced with hard jets from ISR/FSR

Large uncertainty from radiation modelling in MC

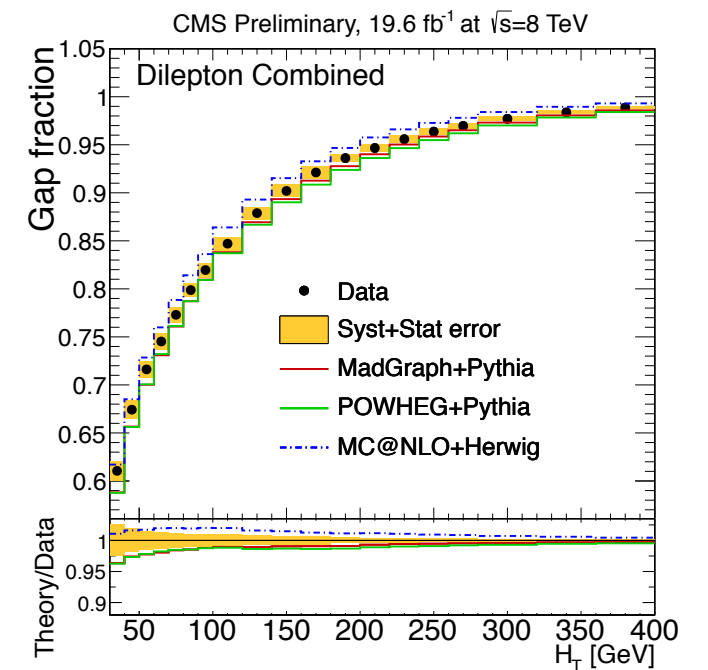
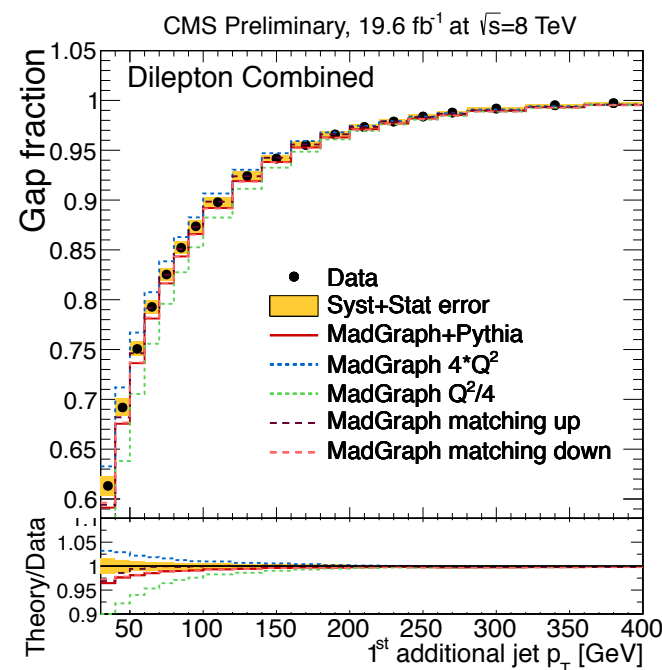
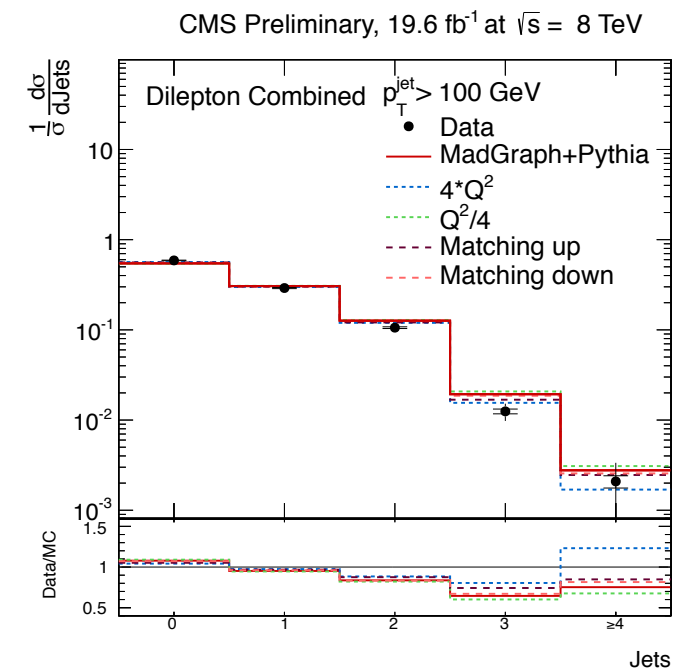
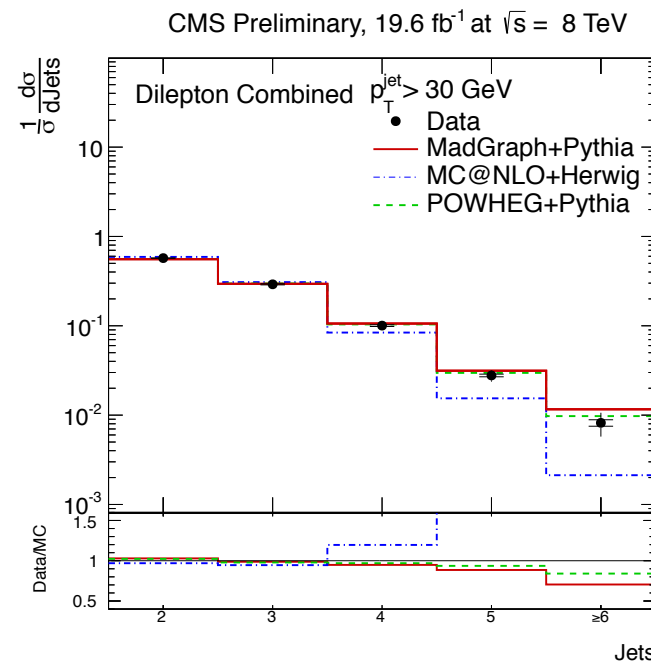
Tuning parameters for MC
from measurements

Background to many BSM
searches

Cross section as a function
of additional jet multiplicity
with 3 jet p_T thresholds

Fraction of events without
additional jets with threshold
on 1st, 2nd jet p_T , H_T

Differences between theory
predictions at low p_T region



Associated $t\bar{t}+X$ production

tt+tt, tt+bb

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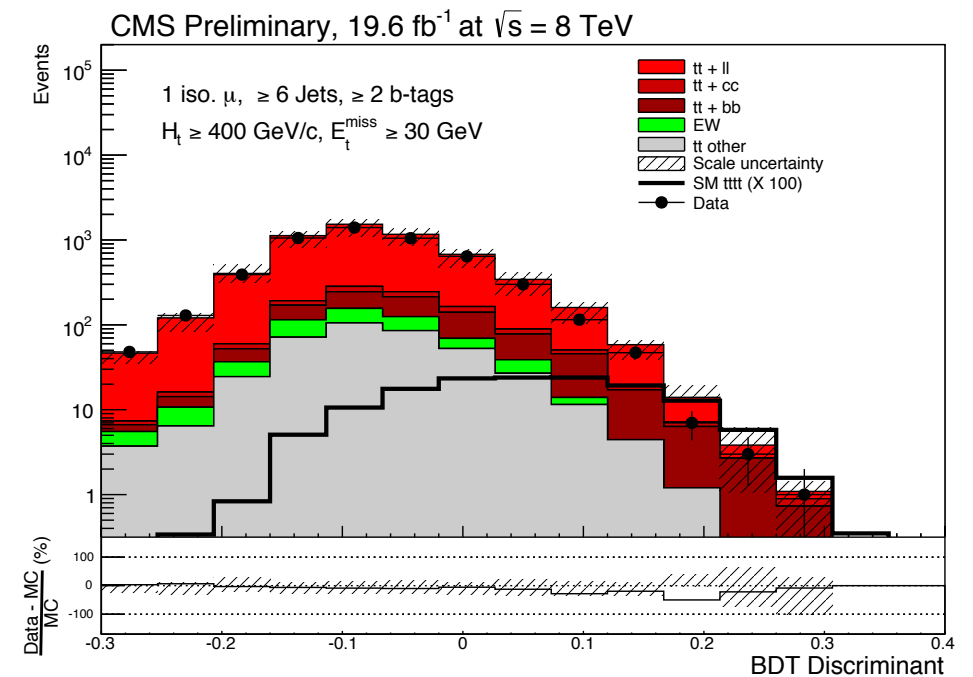
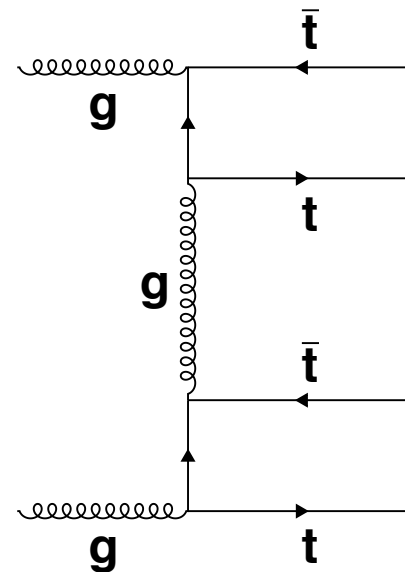
tt+tt has very small cross section in the SM

May be enhanced in some new physics scenarios

No deviation from the SM:

Observed: 42^{+18}_{-13} fb

Expected: 63 fb

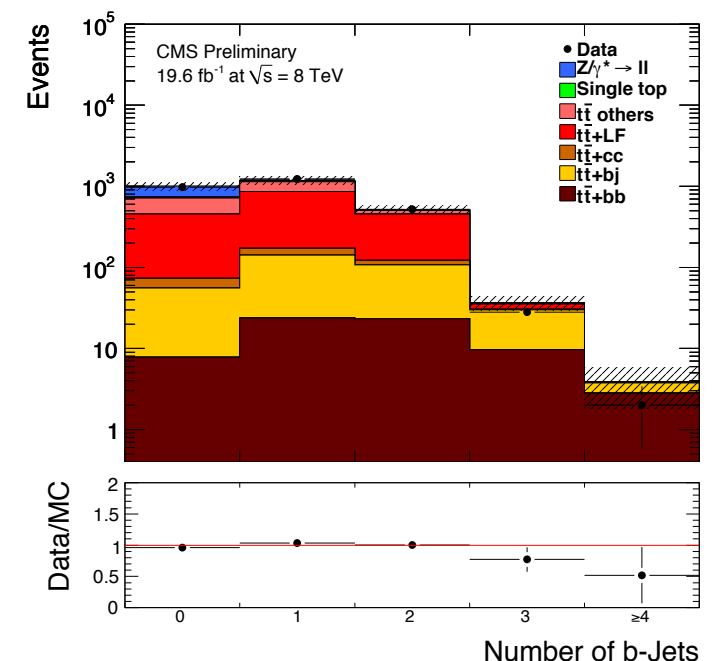
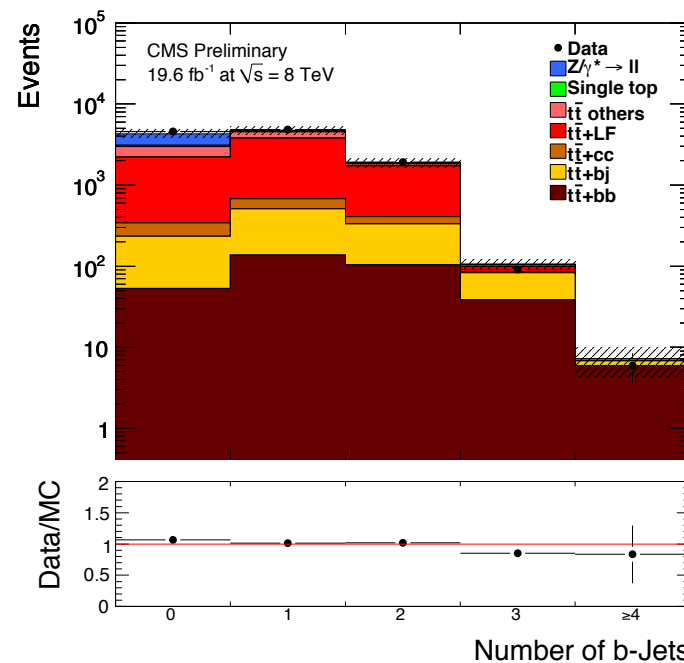


tt+bb fraction mismodelled in MC: Madgraph, Powheg

The main (irreducible) background to ttH production

Fit to the measured b-tagging algorithm output

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jet $p_T > 20$ GeV	$\sigma(t\bar{t}b\bar{b})/\sigma(t\bar{t}jj) = 0.023 \pm 0.003(\text{stat.}) \pm 0.005(\text{syst.})$	$\times 1.44$ (1.35)	Madgraph
jet $p_T > 40$ GeV	$\sigma(t\bar{t}b\bar{b})/\sigma(t\bar{t}jj) = 0.022 \pm 0.004(\text{stat.}) \pm 0.005(\text{syst.})$	$\times 1.69$ (1.57)	(Powheg)

ttH production

arXiv:1408.1682

Probe of the top quark Yukawa coupling

Test of t-H coupling

Can be enhanced in some NP scenarios

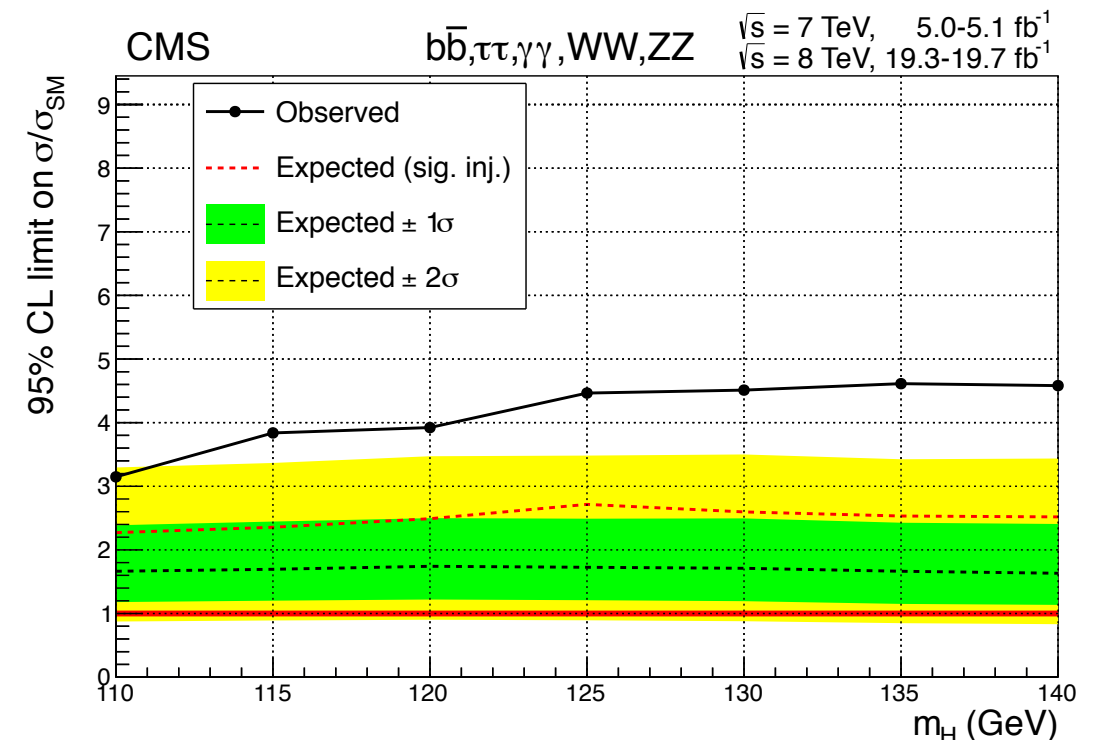
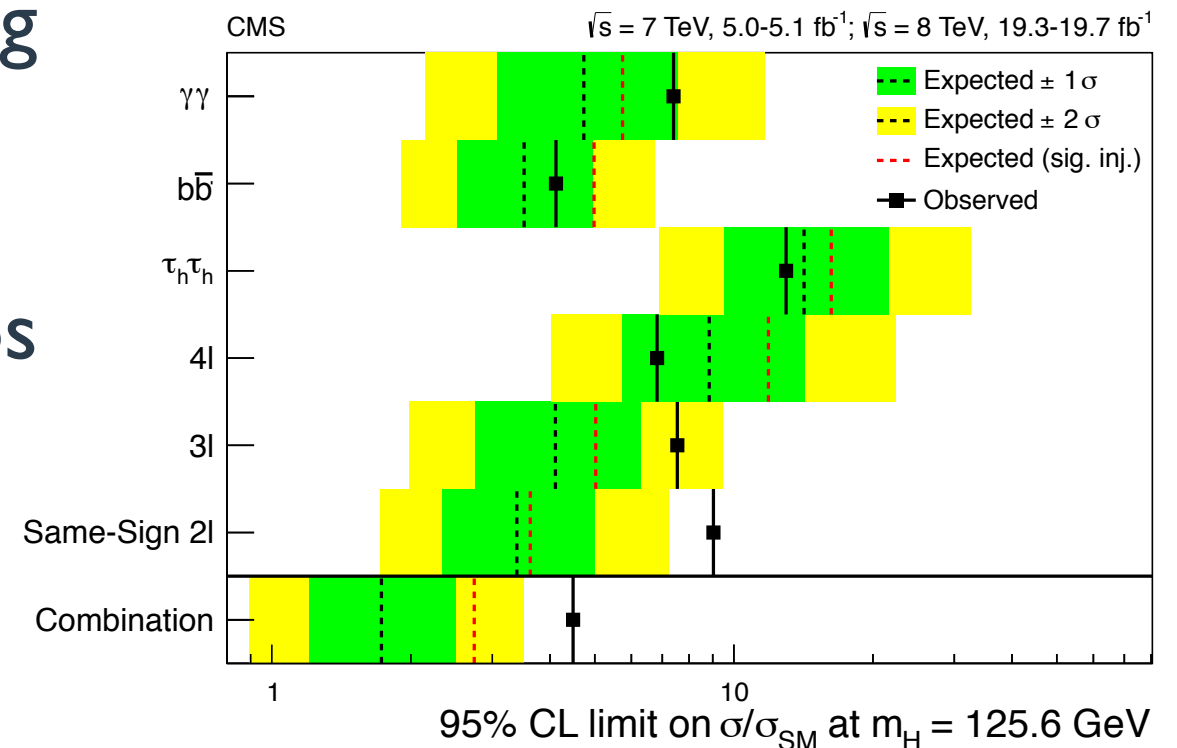
Analysis separately optimised for each of the H decay modes:

$H \rightarrow b\bar{b}, \tau_h\tau_h, \gamma\gamma, WW, ZZ$

Assumed $m_H = 125.6$ GeV

Observed excess equivalent to 2σ upward fluctuation

Results don't change significantly with m_H variation around 125 GeV



tt+W/Z

arXiv:1406.7830

Rare processes in the SM

Measurement of couplings to bosons

Background for BSM searches

Measurement in 3 channels:

2 leptons: ttW

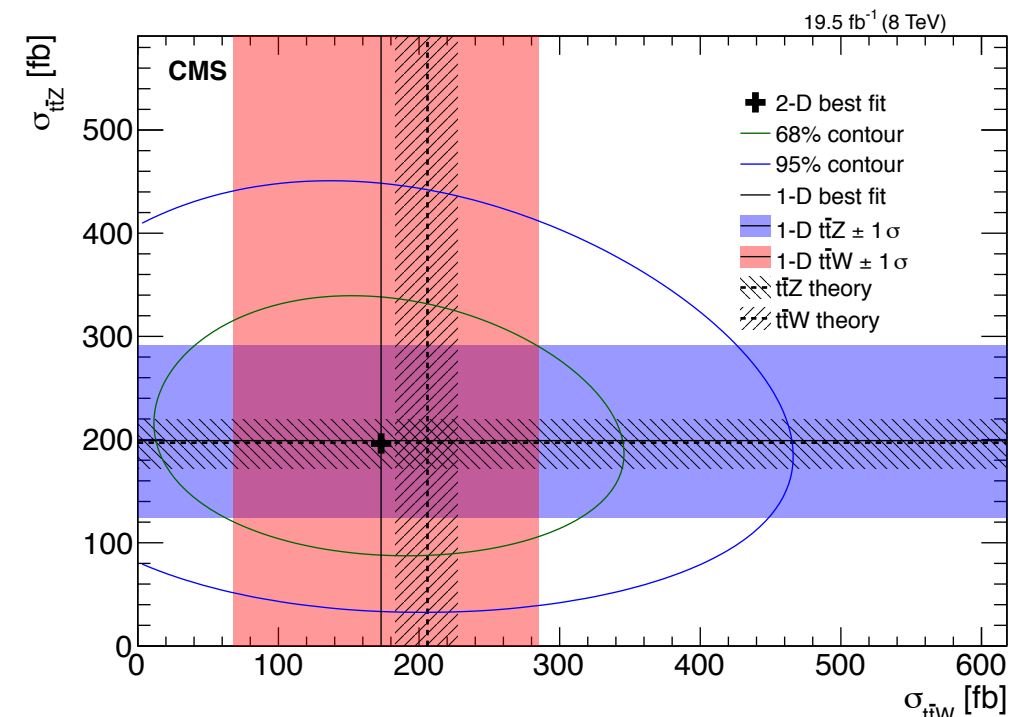
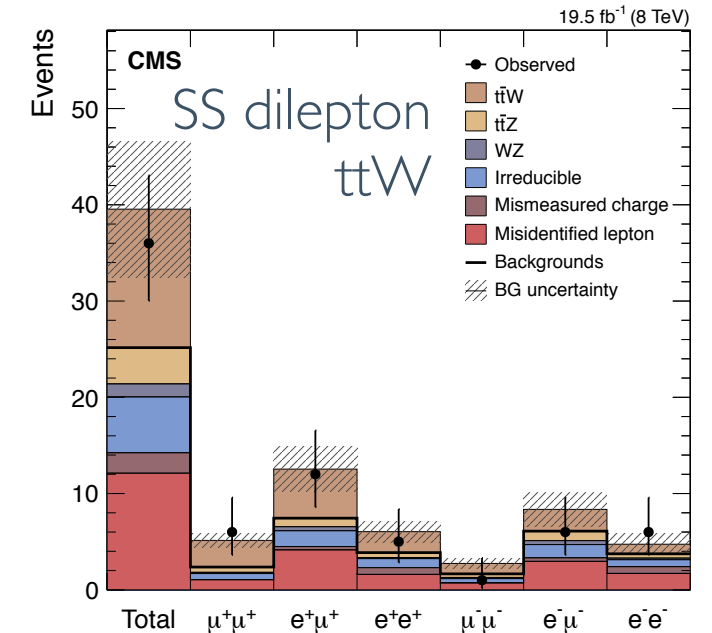
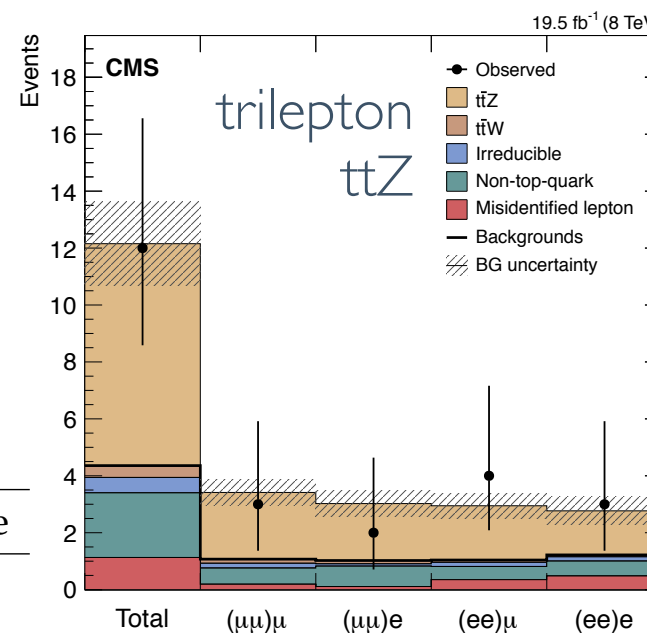
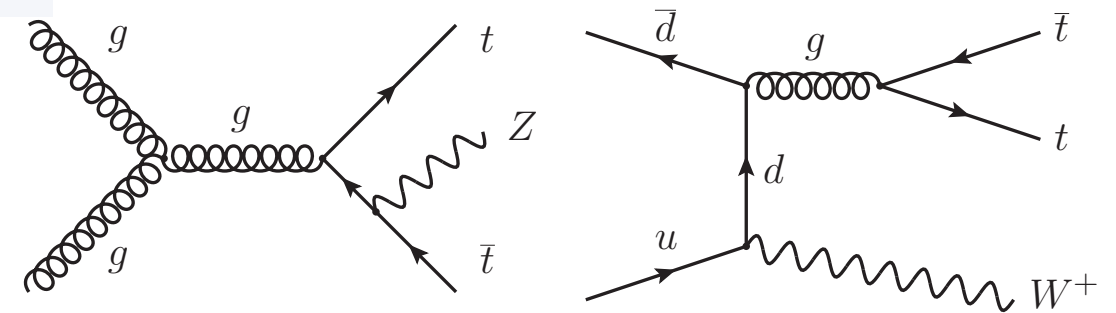
3 or 4 leptons: ttZ

Channels used	Process	Cross section	Significance
2l	t $\bar{t}$ W	170^{+90}_{-80} (stat) $\pm$ 70 (syst) fb	1.6
3l+4l	t $\bar{t}$ Z	200^{+80}_{-70} (stat) $^{+40}_{-30}$ (syst) fb	3.1
2l+3l+4l	t $\bar{t}$ W + t $\bar{t}$ Z	380^{+100}_{-90} (stat) $^{+80}_{-70}$ (syst) fb	3.7

2D fit of the ttW and ttZ cross sections:

Channels used	t $\bar{t}$ W cross section	t $\bar{t}$ Z cross section
2l+3l+4l	170^{+110}_{-100} (total) fb	200 ± 90 (total) fb

Measured cross sections compatible with SM predictions within uncertainties.



Single top

Single top: t-channel

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Direct probe of Wtb coupling

Test of SM predictions, search for NP

Constraint on u/d PDF models via $\sigma_t/\sigma_{t\bar{b}}$ ratio

Leptonic decay mode (including $\tau \rightarrow \mu/e$)

Signal region at high $|\eta|$ of light jet

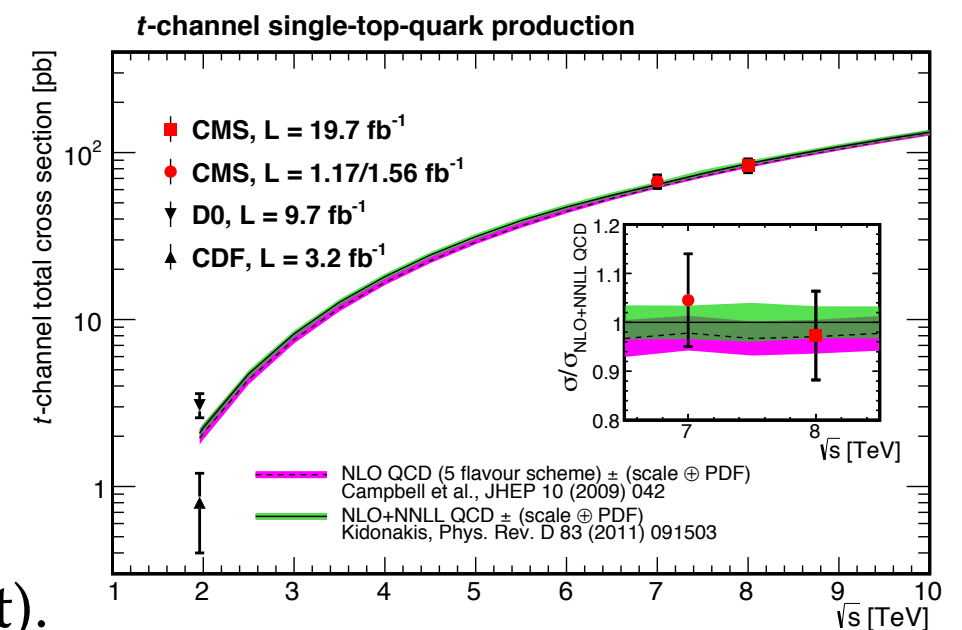
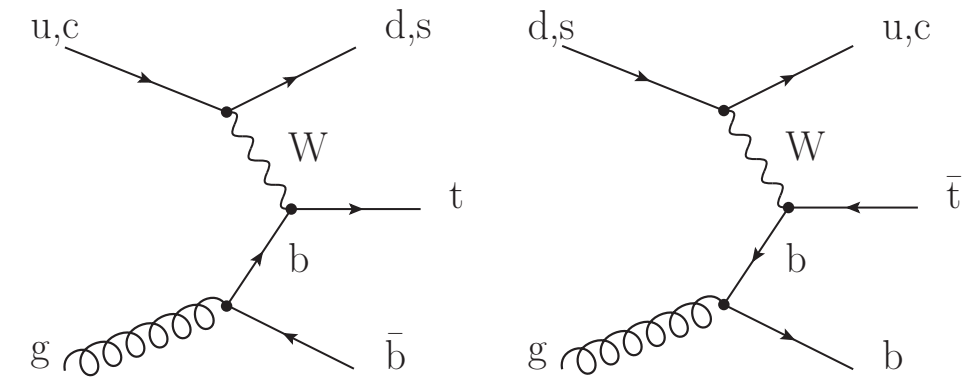
$$\sigma_{t\text{-ch.}} = 83.6 \pm 2.3 (\text{stat}) \pm 7.4 (\text{syst}) \text{ pb.}$$

$$R_{t\text{-ch.}} = \sigma_{t\text{-ch.}}(t) / \sigma_{t\text{-ch.}}(\bar{t}) = 1.95 \pm 0.10 (\text{stat}) \pm 0.19 (\text{syst}).$$

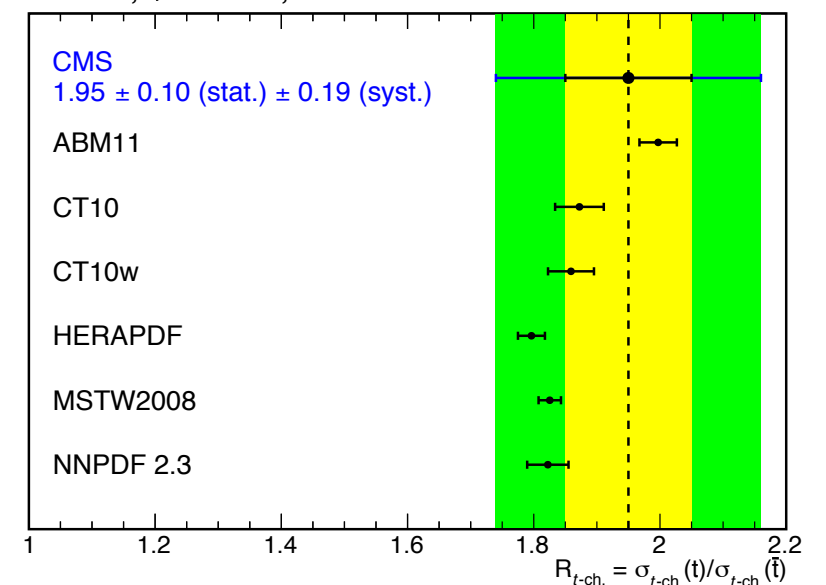
Combined with 7 TeV result to determine $|V_{tb}|$

$$|V_{tb}| = 0.998 \pm 0.038 (\text{exp.}) \pm 0.016 (\text{theo.})$$

No deviations from the SM observed



CMS, $\sqrt{s} = 8 \text{ TeV}$, $L = 19.7 \text{ fb}^{-1}$



Single top: s-channel

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Smallest cross section at LHC

Sensitive to new physics

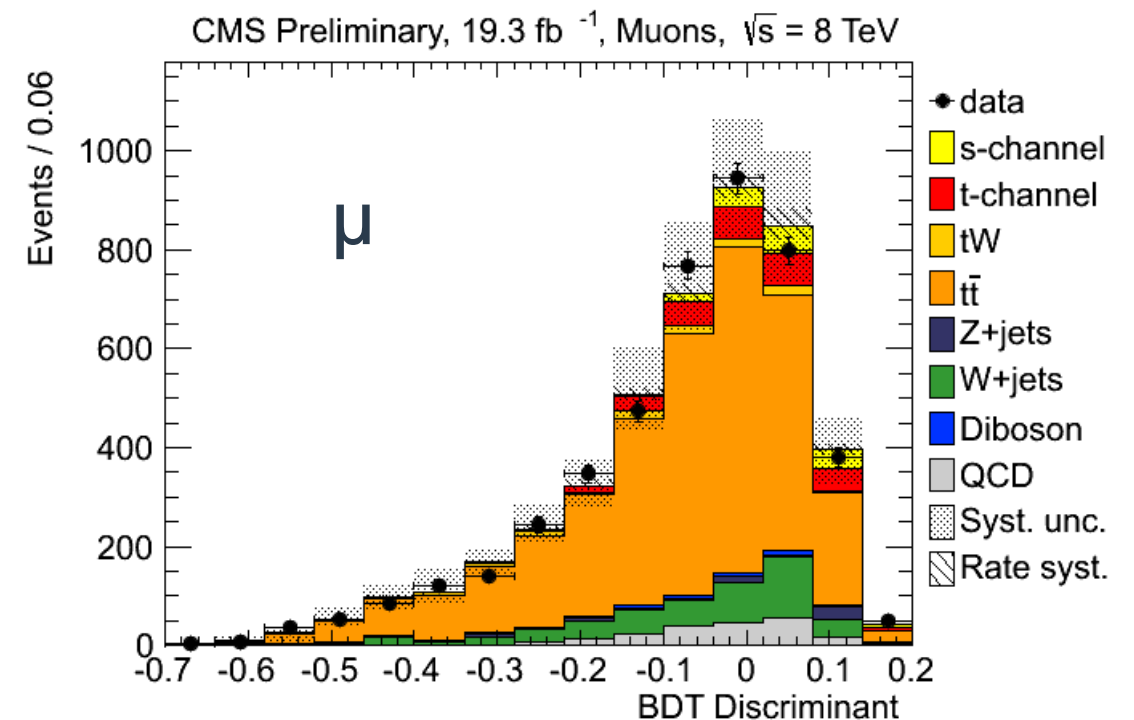
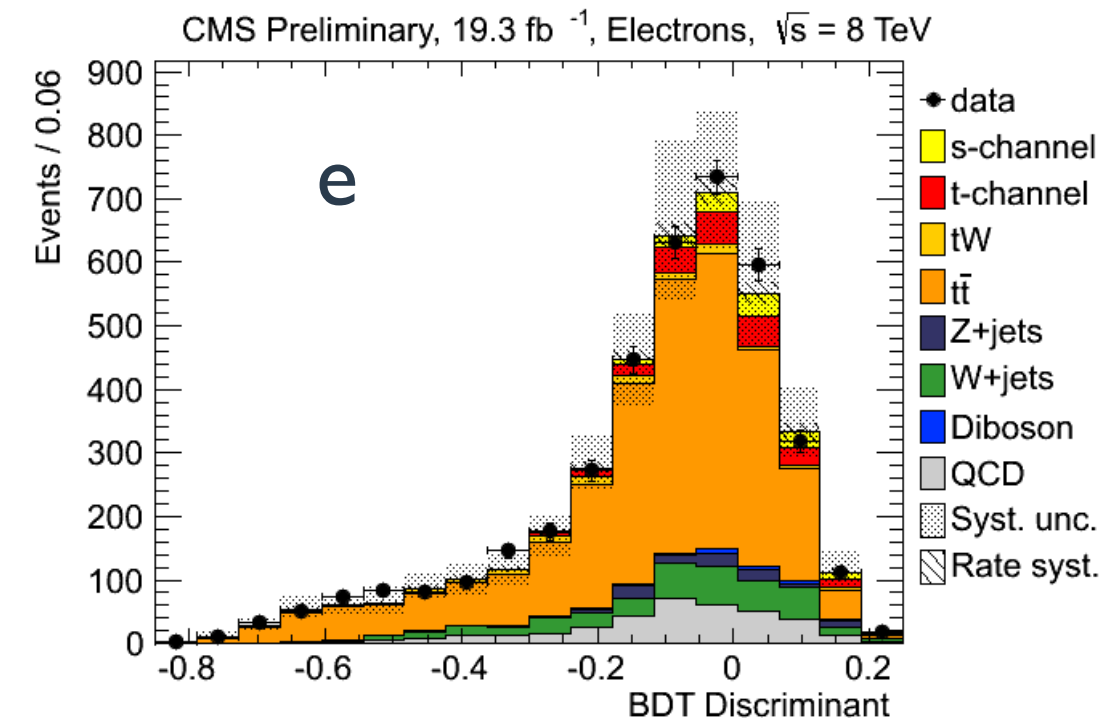
Leptonic decay mode (including $\tau \rightarrow \mu/e$)

Multivariate analysis based on Boosted Decision Trees

Inclusive cross section: e, μ combined

Upper limit: $\sigma_{s\text{-ch}} < 11.5$ (17.0, 9.0) pb
observed(expected with SM signal,
expected with bkg only)

2.1 (3.1, 1.6) times the SM



Single top: tW channel

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Dilepton final state

Dominated by ttbar background

Multivariate analysis based on Boosted Decision Trees

Signal and 2 control regions

defined by jet/b-tagged jet multiplicity

6.1 σ significance observed

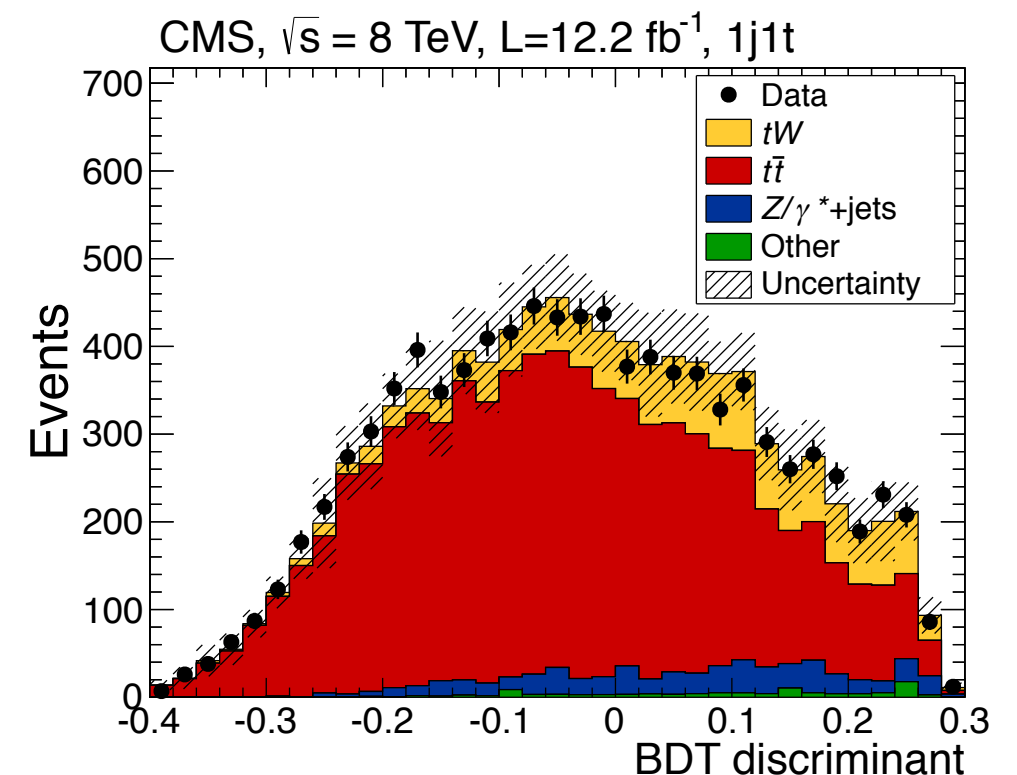
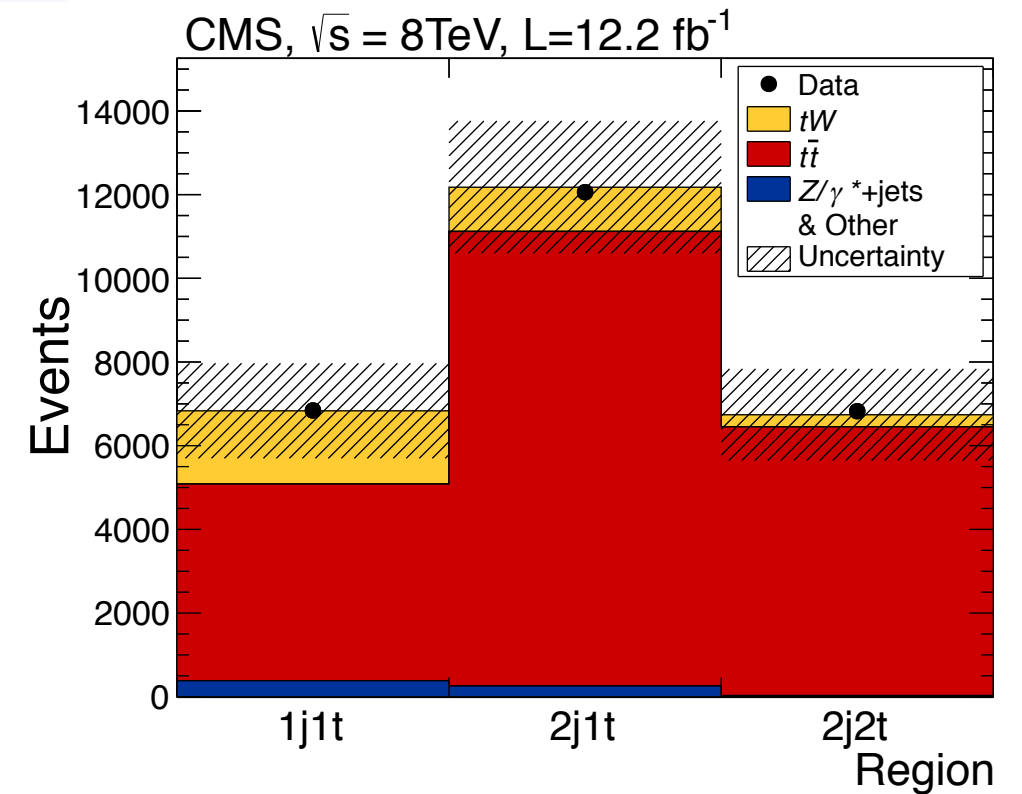
$$\sigma_{tW} = 23.4 \pm 5.4 \text{ pb}$$

$$\sigma_{tW} = 22.2 \pm 0.6 \pm 1.4 \text{ pb (appr. NNLO)}$$

$|V_{tb}|$ extracted:

$$|V_{tb}| = \sqrt{\sigma_{tW} / \sigma_{tW}^{\text{th}}} = 1.03 \pm 0.12 (\text{exp}) \pm 0.04 (\text{th.})$$

Results in agreement with SM predictions



Top quark properties

Top mass: lepton+jets

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Essential parameter of the SM

Input to fits of global electroweak parameters

Affects the Higgs potential

Selection: semileptonic

exactly 1 isolated lepton (e or μ)

≥ 4 jets (exactly 2 b-tagged)

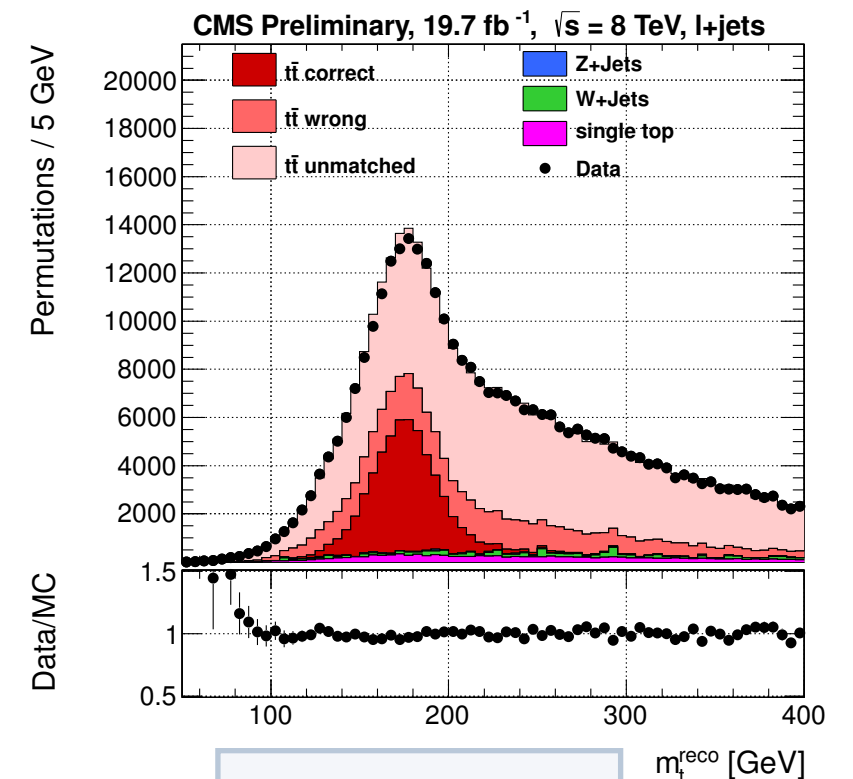
Kinematic fit: $m_W = 80.4$ GeV, $m_t = m_{t\text{bar}}$

2 tagged – tt | 2 untagged – $W \rightarrow jj$

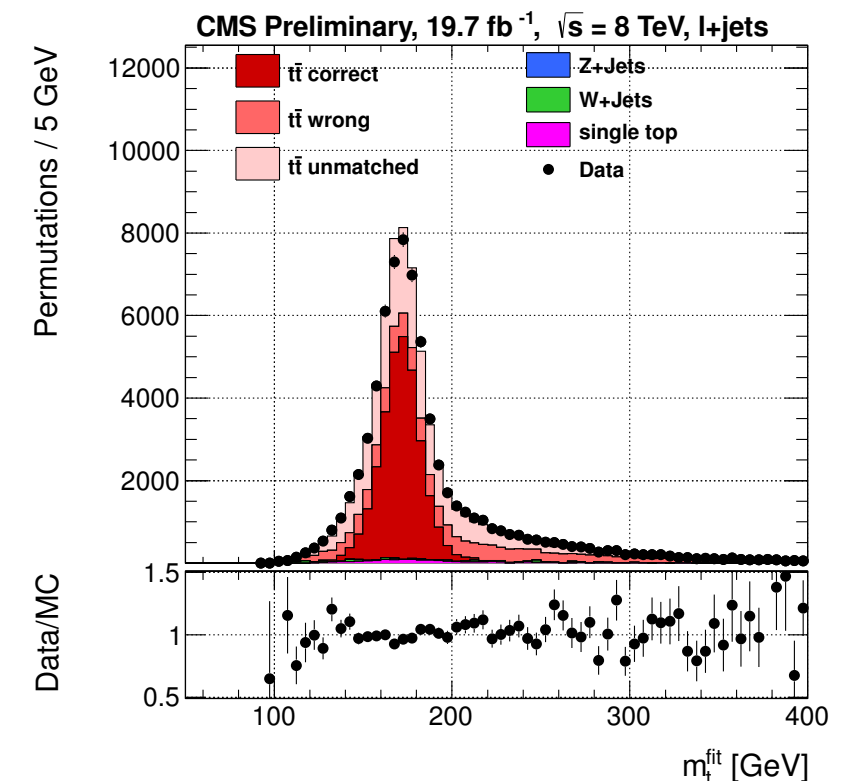
Goodness-of-fit probability (P_{gof}) used to improve jet-parton assignment:

$f_{\text{cp}} = 13\% \rightarrow 44\%$ (weighted by P_{gof})

≤ 4 permutations/event [$2 \times \text{jet}, 2 \times p_z(\mathbf{v})$]



$P_{\text{gof}} > 0.2$



Top mass: lepton+jets

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Ideogram method for simultaneous determination of m_t , jet energy scale (JSF)

Likelihood fit of m_t from the kinematic fit and reconstructed m_W

Calibrated using MC:

7 simulations of m_t $\times$ 3 values of JSF

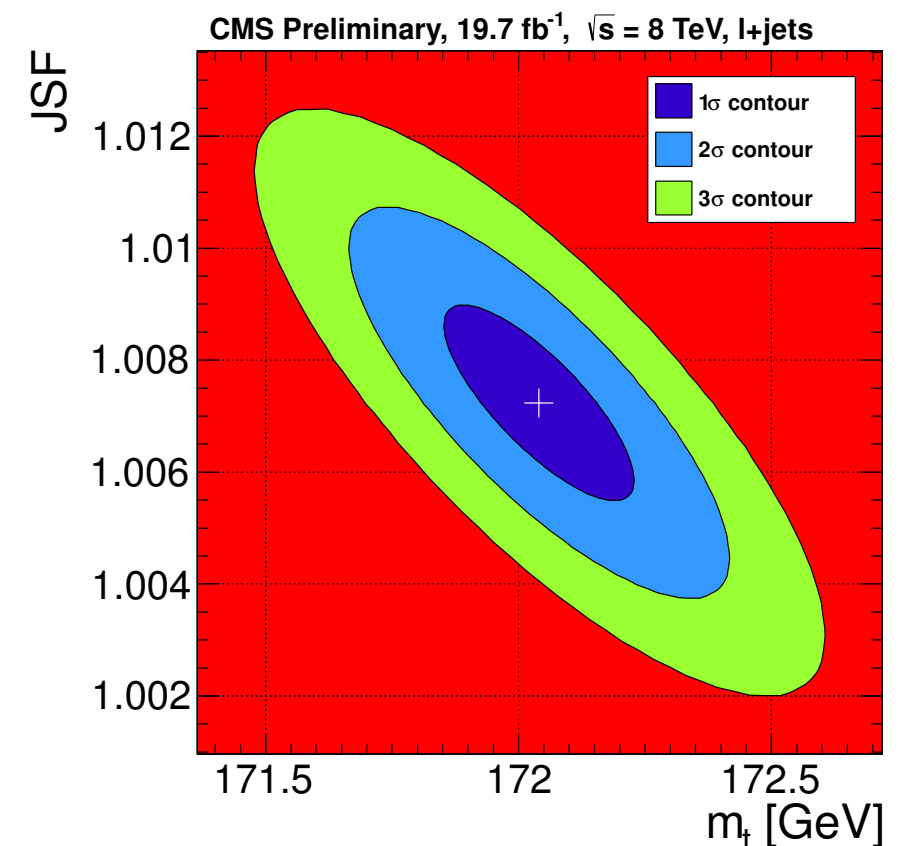
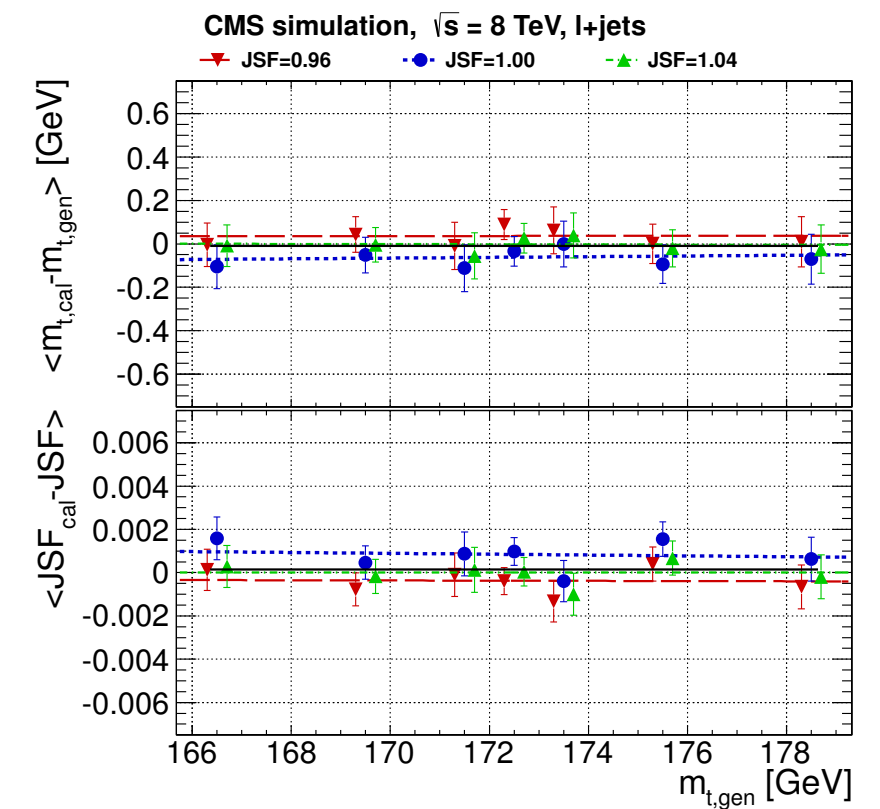
Result from 2D fit:

$$m_t = 172.04 \pm 0.19 \text{ (stat.+JSF)} \pm 0.75 \text{ (syst.) GeV,}$$
$$\text{JSF} = 1.007 \pm 0.002 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 0.012 \text{ (syst.)}.$$

Result from 1D fit (JSF = 1.0) cross check

$$m_t = 172.66 \pm 0.11 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 1.29 \text{ (syst.) GeV}$$

Larger systematic uncertainty from JES uncertainty (1.17 GeV)



Top mass: full hadronic

CMS PAS TOP-14-002

Selection: full hadronic

≥ 6 jets (exactly 2 b-tagged)

Same ideogram method as in lepton+jets

kinematic fit: $m_W = 80.4$ GeV, $m_t = m_{t\text{bar}}$

simultaneous determination of m_t and JSF

7 simulations of m_t $\times$ 5 values of JSF

Result from 2D fit:

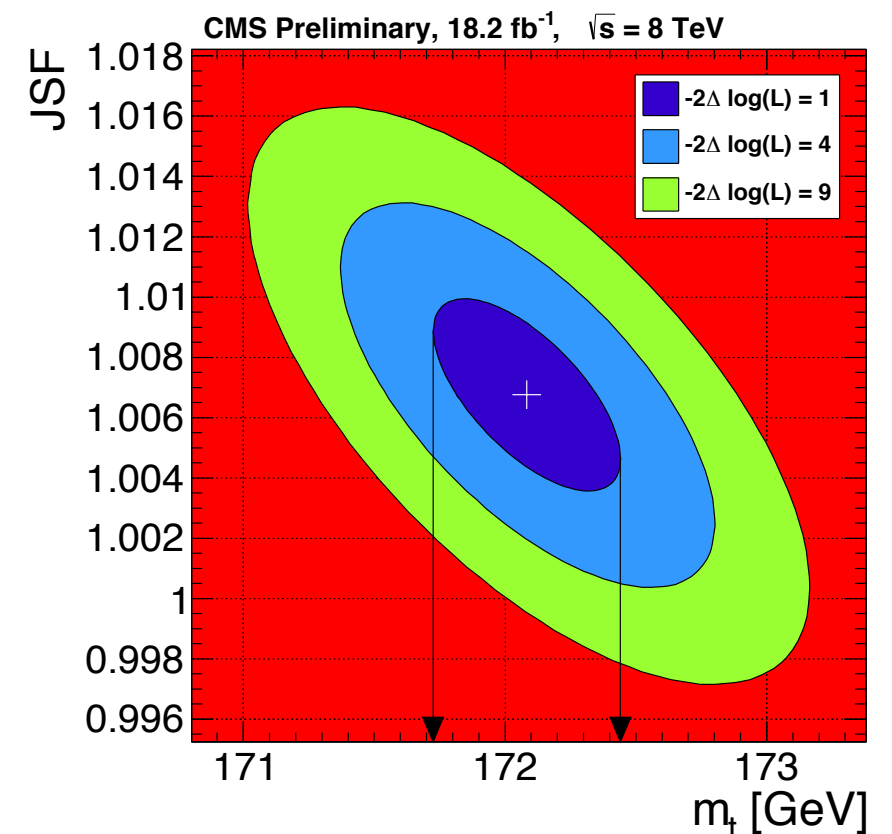
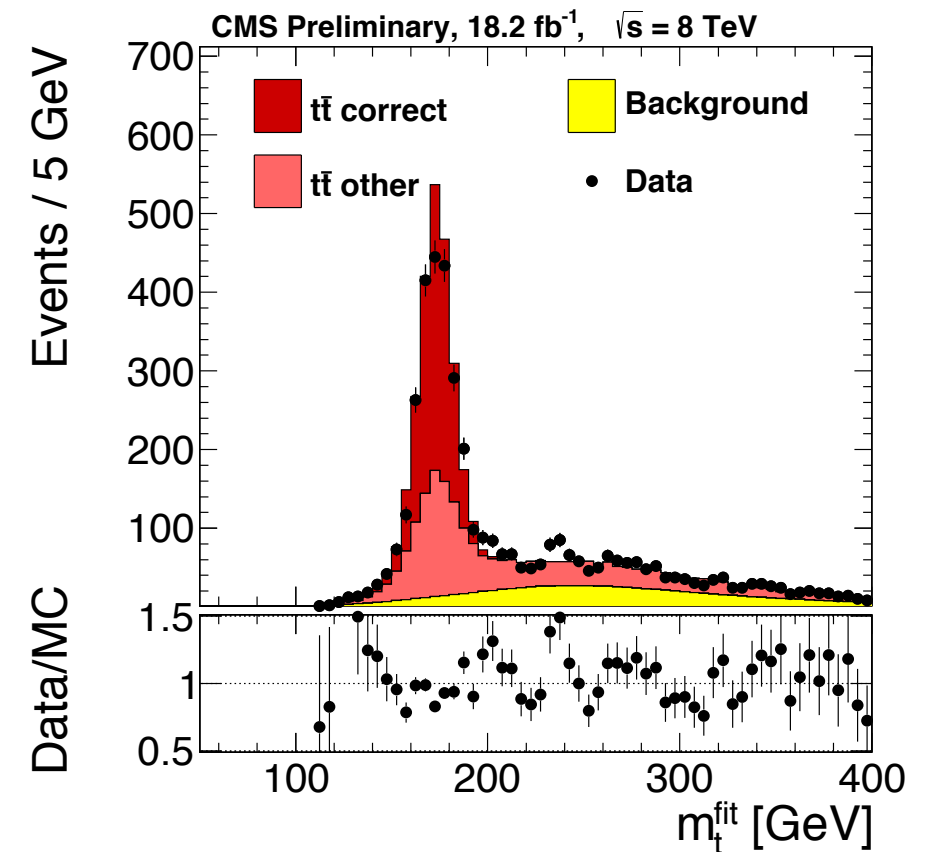
$$m_t = 172.08 \pm 0.36 \text{ (stat.+JSF)} \pm 0.83 \text{ (syst.) GeV,}$$

$$\text{JSF} = 1.007 \pm 0.003 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 0.011 \text{ (syst.)}.$$

Result from 1D fit (JSF = 1.0) cross check

$$m_t = 172.59 \pm 0.27 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 1.05 \text{ (syst.) GeV}$$

Results consistent with values obtained from lepton+jets channel



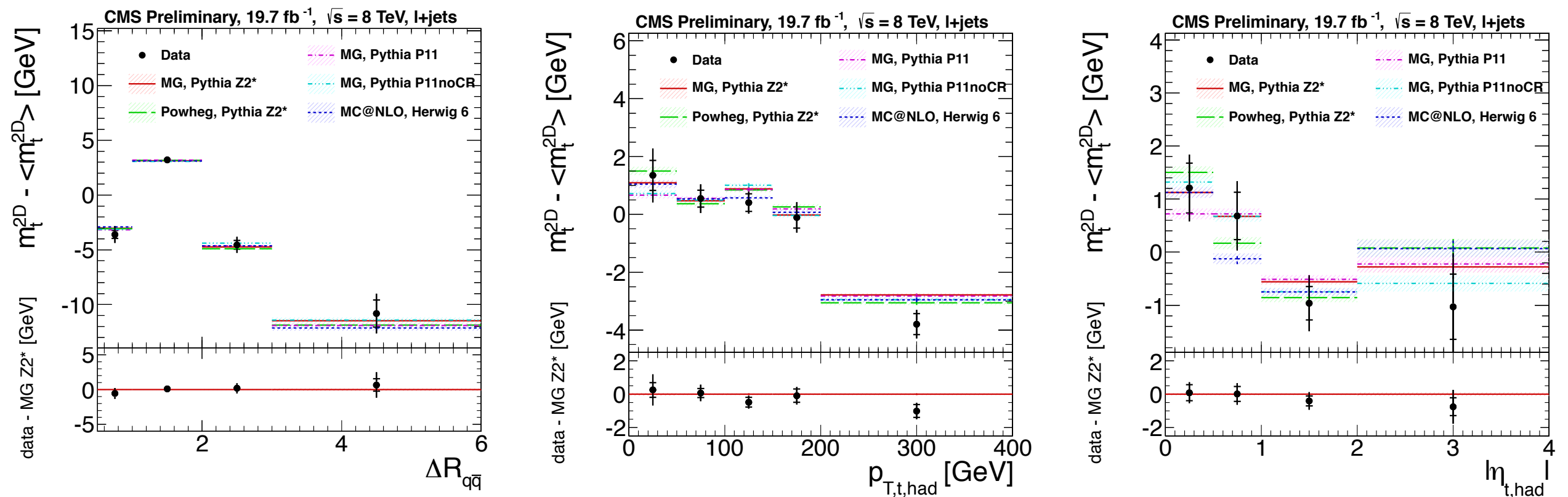
Top mass: kinematic dependence

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Interpretation of measured m_t observable for electroweak fits – not trivial: difficult to match pole m_t to MC m_t

Can cause biases in differential distributions of the m_t observable

Madgraph + Pythia Z2* tune for the final result determination



Kinematic dependences well described by MC for most observables

Top mass: CMS combination

CMS PAS TOP-14-001

2012 result in lepton+jet channel
combined with results on 2010 (dileptonic,
semileptonic), 2011 (dileptonic, semileptonic,
full hadronic) data

Most systematics assumed to be fully
correlated between 5 additional analyses

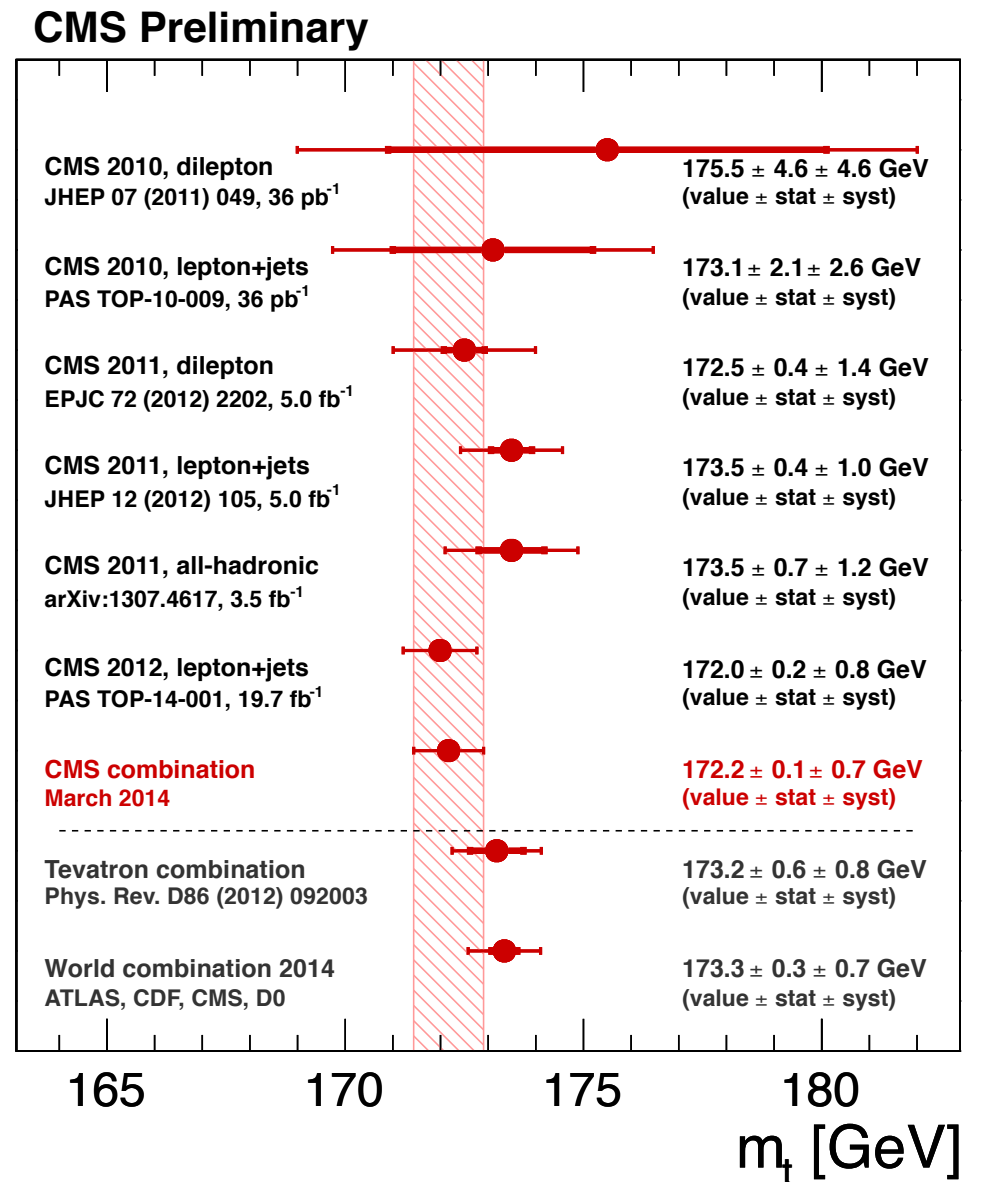
Experimental uncertainties correlated
between analyses using same data

JSF uncertainty treated as uncorrelated

$\chi^2 = 4.1/5$ DOF (54% CL)

$$m_t = 172.22 \pm 0.14 (\text{stat.}) \pm 0.72 (\text{syst.}) \text{ GeV}$$

Consistent with 2014 World combination: LHC + Tevatron



Top charge asymmetry

CMS PAS TOP-12-033

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NLO effect due to interference of different $qq \rightarrow tt$ diagrams

Small in SM; enhanced in NP

D0 & CDF observed 2σ excess in forward-backward asymmetry

Boost difference at LHC:

$$A_C = \frac{N(\Delta|y| > 0) - N(\Delta|y| < 0)}{N(\Delta|y| > 0) + N(\Delta|y| < 0)}$$

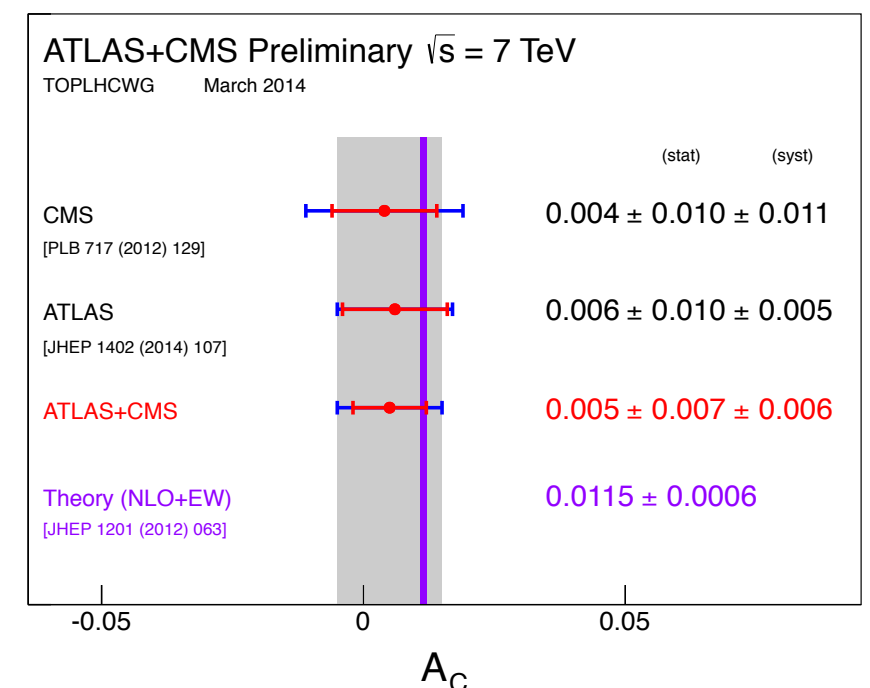
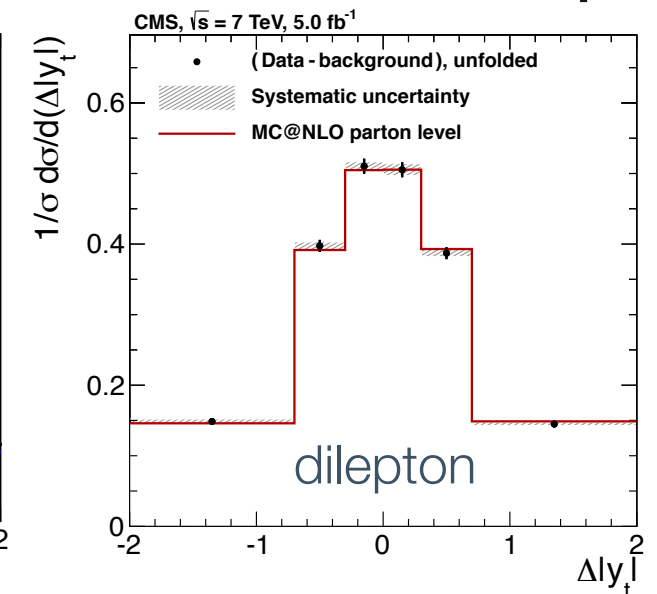
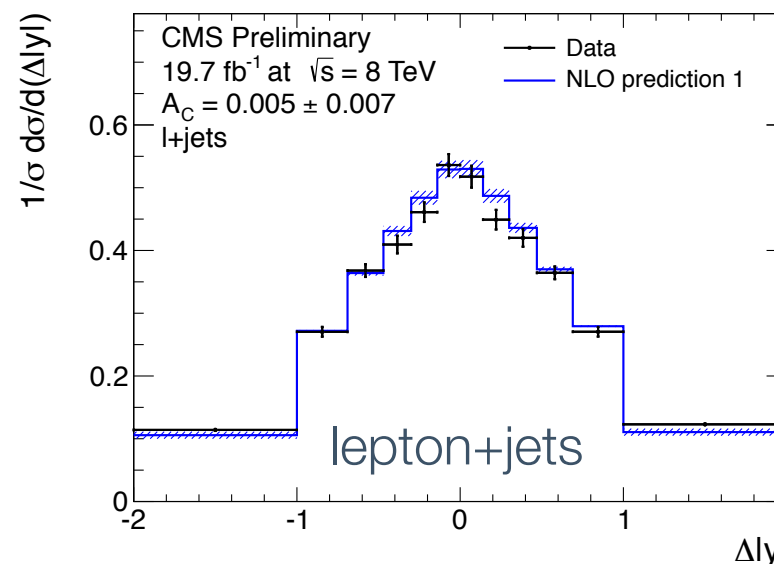
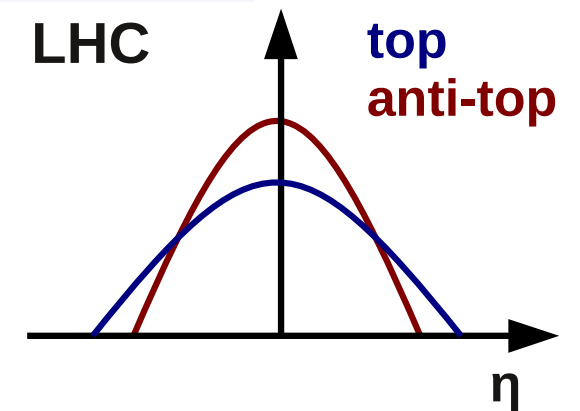
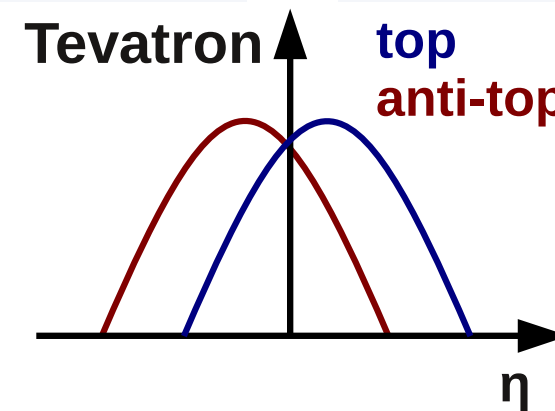
$$\Delta|y| = |y_t| - |y_{\bar{t}}|$$

CMS results consistent with NLO prediction

ATLAS and CMS results at 7TeV combined

taking correlations into account CMS PAS TOP-14-006

No excess observed at LHC



Top branching fraction and V_{tb}

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$BR(t \rightarrow Wb)/BR(t \rightarrow Wq)$ [$q=b,s,d$]
measured in dilepton channel

Depends on $|V_{tb}|$ and $\Gamma(t)$

D0 reported tension with the SM

prediction: $\mathcal{R} = 0.86^{+0.041}_{-0.042} (\text{stat}) \pm 0.035 (\text{syst})$

Parametrised in terms of b-tag multiplicity,
b-tagging and misidentification efficiencies

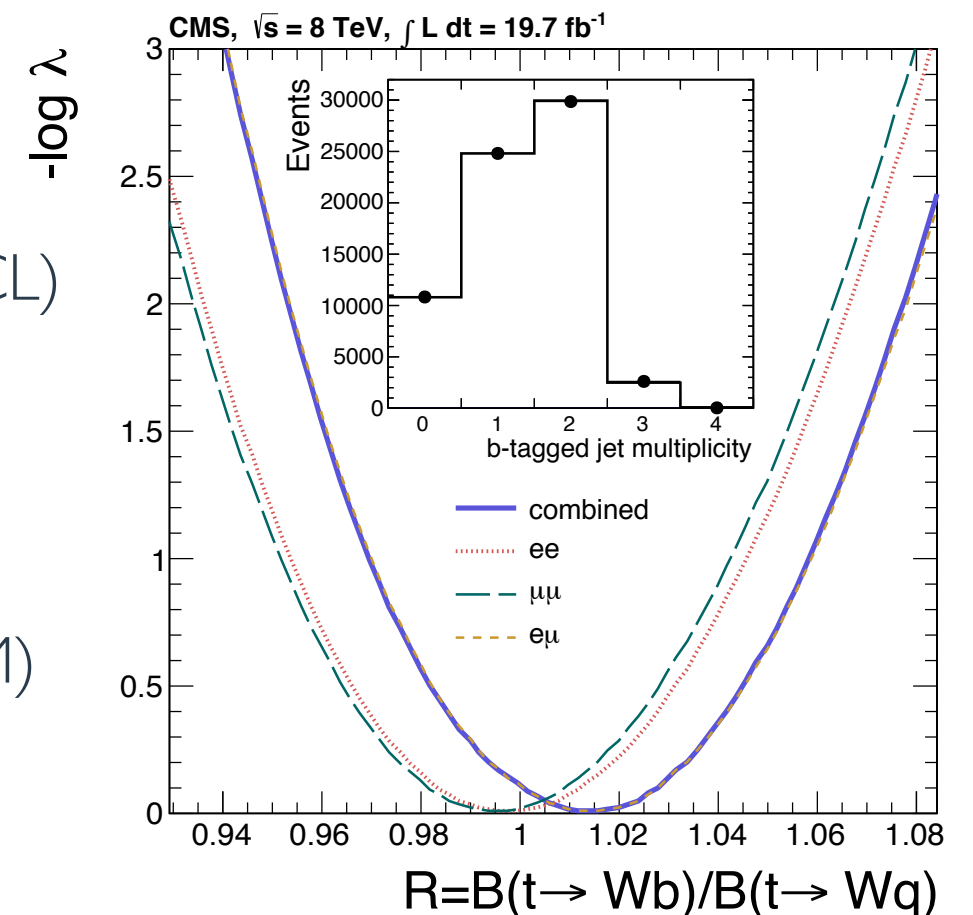
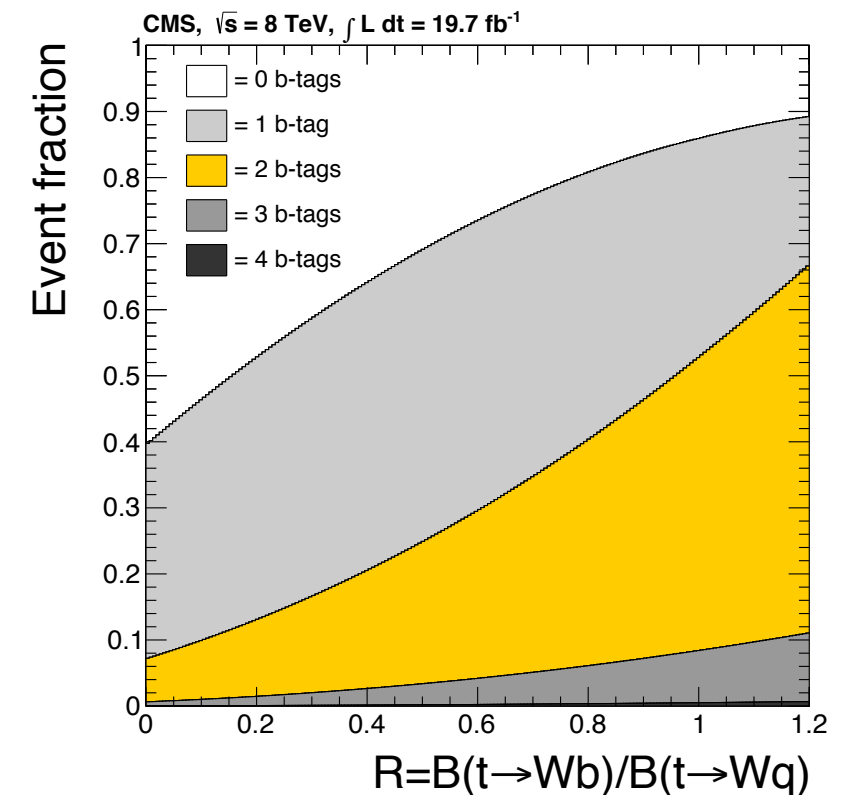
Best fit: $\mathcal{R} = 1.014 \pm 0.003 (\text{stat}) \pm 0.032 (\text{syst})$

Lower limit: $\mathcal{R} > 0.955 \longrightarrow |V_{tb}| > 0.975$ (95% CL)

Combined with the t-channel single top
production cross section to determine Γ_t :

$$\Gamma_t = 1.36 \pm 0.02 (\text{stat})^{+0.14}_{-0.11} (\text{syst}) \text{ GeV} \quad (1.29 \text{ in SM})$$

Results agree with theoretical expectations



Spin correlations, polarisation

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Information about spin of the top quark transferred directly to decay products

Can be altered by couplings to new particles in BSM models

Asymmetry variables defined for

polarisation: $A_P = \frac{N[\cos(\theta_\ell^*) > 0] - N[\cos(\theta_\ell^*) < 0]}{N[\cos(\theta_\ell^*) > 0] + N[\cos(\theta_\ell^*) < 0]}$

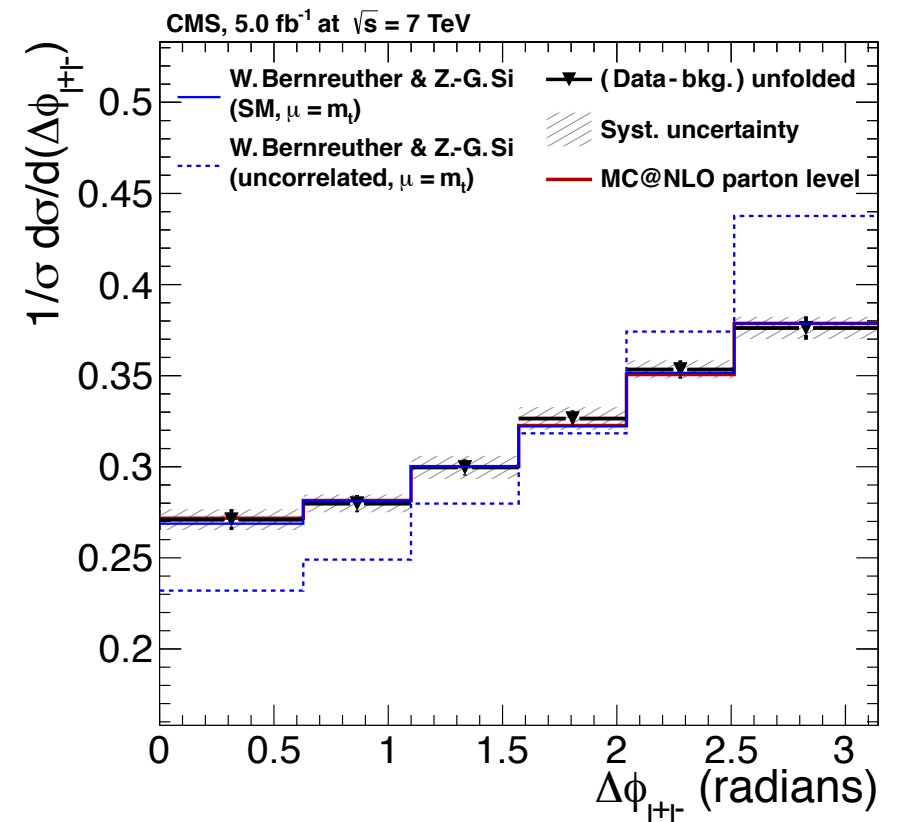
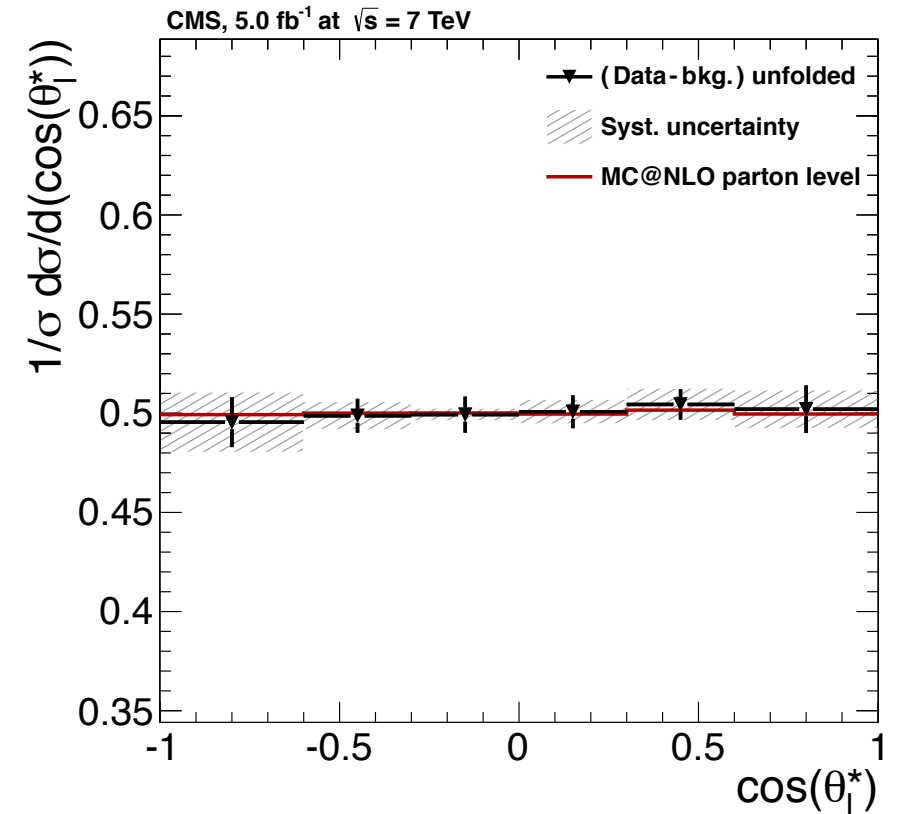
and spin correlation discrimination:

$$A_{\Delta\phi} = \frac{N(\Delta\phi_{\ell^+\ell^-} > \pi/2) - N(\Delta\phi_{\ell^+\ell^-} < \pi/2)}{N(\Delta\phi_{\ell^+\ell^-} > \pi/2) + N(\Delta\phi_{\ell^+\ell^-} < \pi/2)}$$

Asymmetry	Data (unfolded)	MC@NLO	NLO (SM, correlated)
$A_{\Delta\phi}$	$0.113 \pm 0.010 \pm 0.006 \pm 0.012$	0.110 ± 0.001	$0.115^{+0.014}_{-0.016}$
A_P	$0.005 \pm 0.013 \pm 0.014 \pm 0.008$	0.000 ± 0.001	N/A

Indication of presence of spin correlation

No indication of polarisation, in agreement with NLO SM prediction



Beyond the Standard Model

Flavour changing neutral current

CMS PAS TOP-11-028

Transition from a quark to a different-flavour quark of the same charge:

forbidden at tree level in the SM

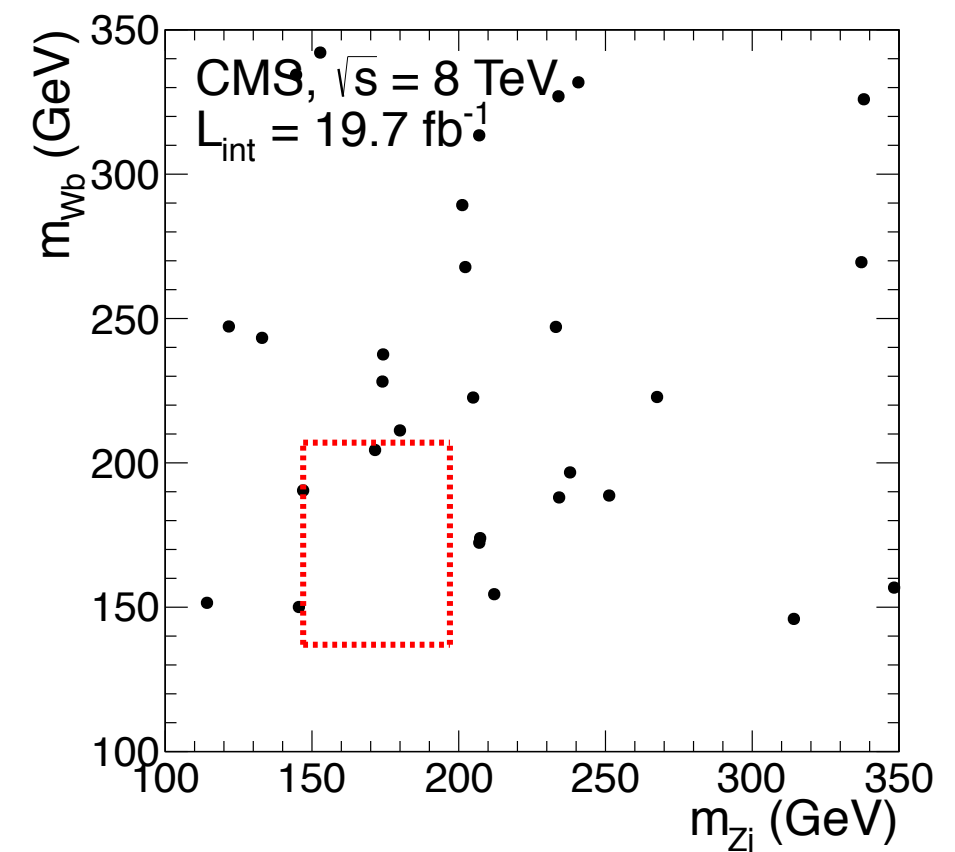
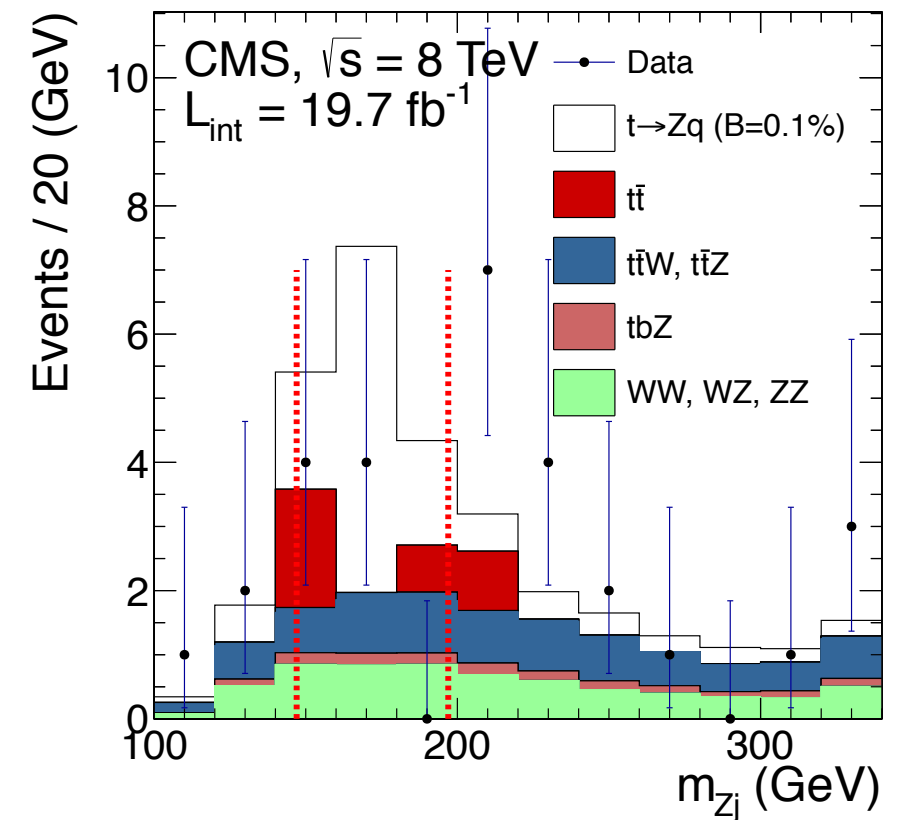
strongly suppressed in higher order diagrams

can be enhanced in NP models

Search in trilepton $t \rightarrow Zq + Wb$ decays
 Z and W decay leptonically

No evidence of FCNC found

Combination with 7 TeV result excludes
 $\text{BR}(t \rightarrow Zq) > 0.05\%$ (95% CL)



Summary

- CMS has rich program for quark related analyses
- Provide precise test of the Standard Model
- Allow searches for many NP effects
- All analyses of top quark cross sections and properties show good agreement with SM predictions
- Disagreement with NLO predictions in top quark p_T distribution. Better agreement with approx. NNLO calculations
- Most precise top mass obtained from the combination of 2010-2012 CMS measurements: $m_t = 172.2 \pm 0.1 \pm 0.7$ GeV
- Many results on 8 TeV data approaching publication
- Complete list of public CMS results at a [dedicated page](#)