

# Unfolding

## – Comparison ATLAS/CMS –

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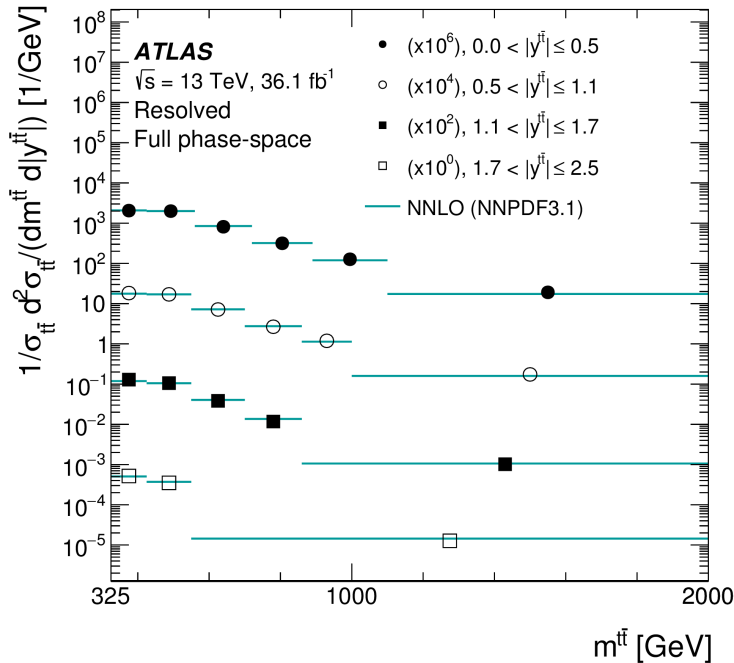
Tip: overview talk on unfolding methods in HEP by M. Kuusela

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# Precision $d\sigma^{tt}/dx$ measurements with 2016 data

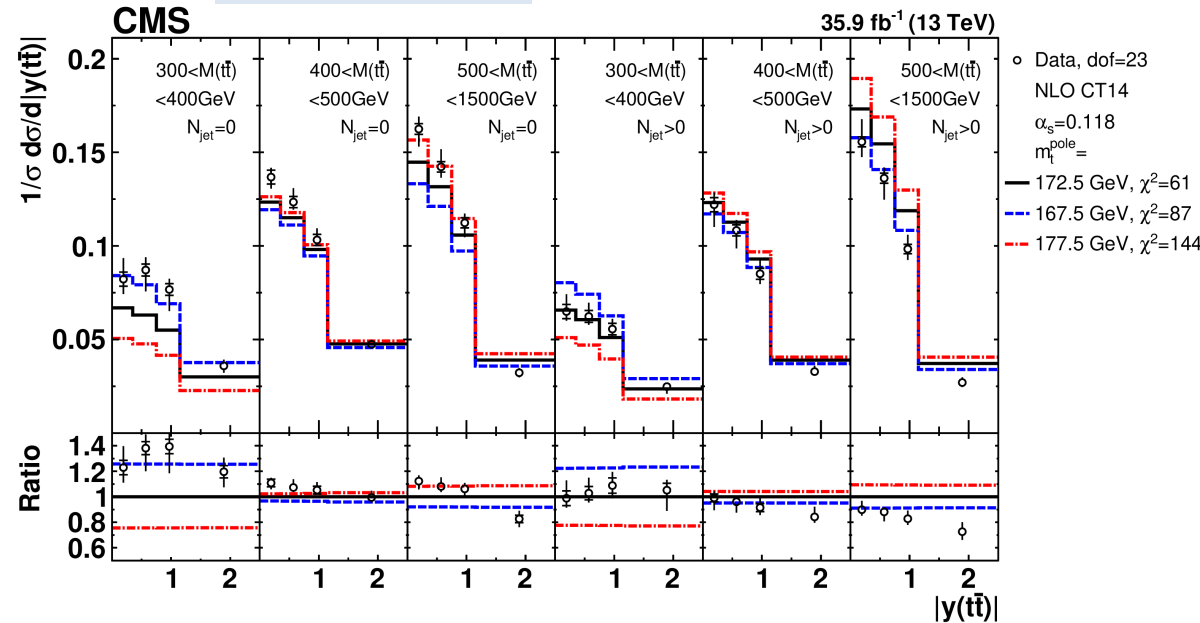
## Lepton+jet

arXiv:1908.07305



## Dilepton

arXiv:1904.05237



CMS lepton+jet paper: Phys. Rev. D 97, 112003 (2018)

- Measurements reach few percent uncertainties
- Highly sensitive to gluon PDF,  $\alpha_s$  and  $m_t$
- Use different statistical tools for detector corrections (=unfolding), **lets compare them**

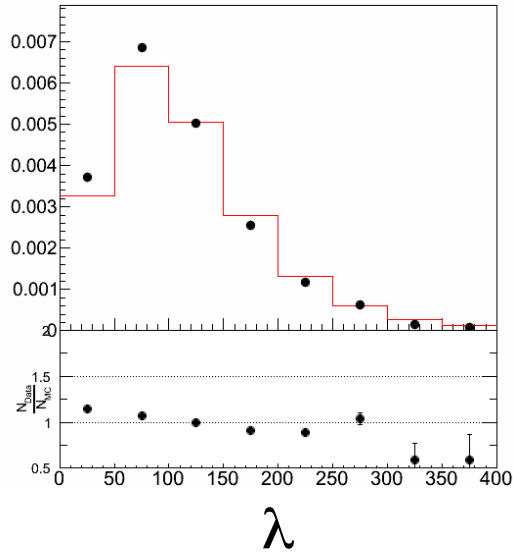
# Compare $d\sigma^{tt}/dx$ measurements

	ATLAS lepton+jets 2015/16, 36 fb <sup>-1</sup> arXiv:1908.07305	CMS Dilepton 2016, 36 fb <sup>-1</sup> arXiv:1904.05237
Unfolding Tool	D'Agostini iterative arXiv:1010.0632 via RooUnfold arXiv:1105.1160	TUnfold JINST 7 (2012) T10003
Regularisation	Early stopping after few iterations	Tikhonov curvature
Statistical uncertainties	Pseudo experiments	Error propagation
Model uncertainties	Unfold alternative MCs with nominal MC	Unfold data with alternative MC

→ Lets take a closer look

# Unfolding of $\lambda$

True level

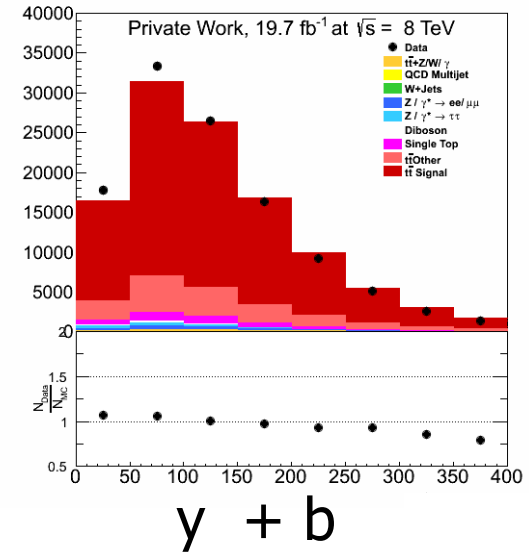


Detector effects + background



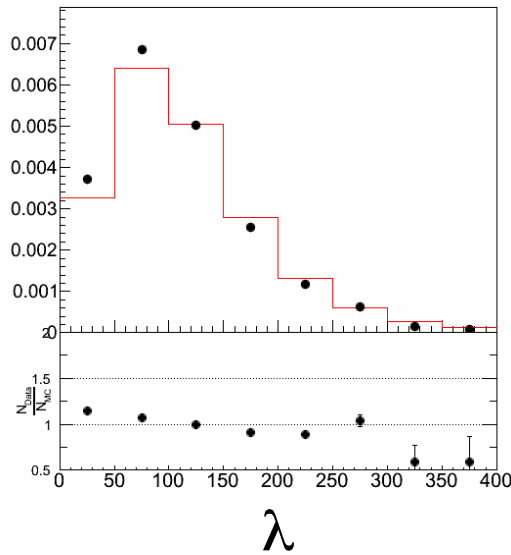
$K\lambda + b$

Smeared space

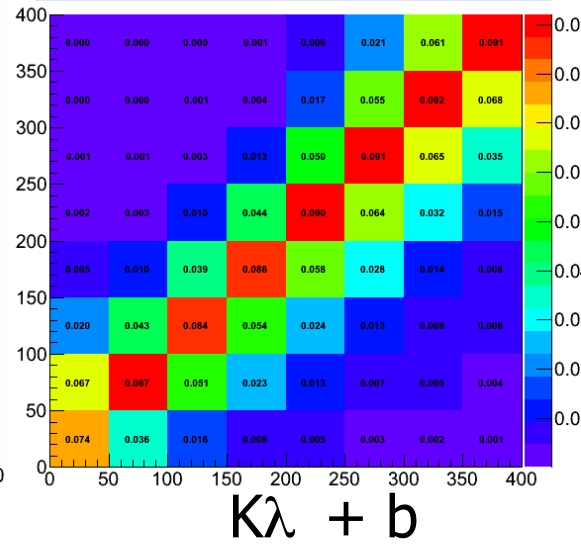


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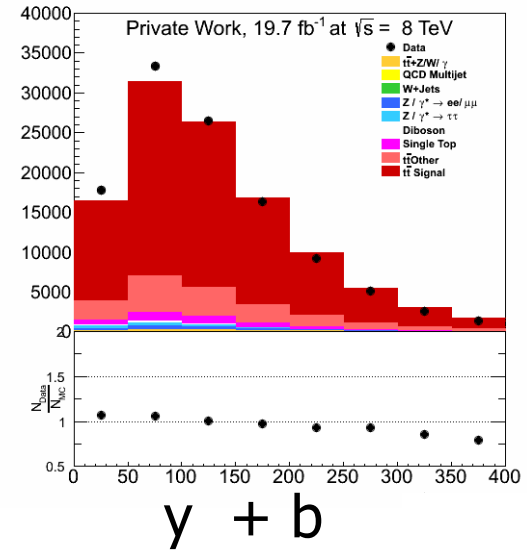
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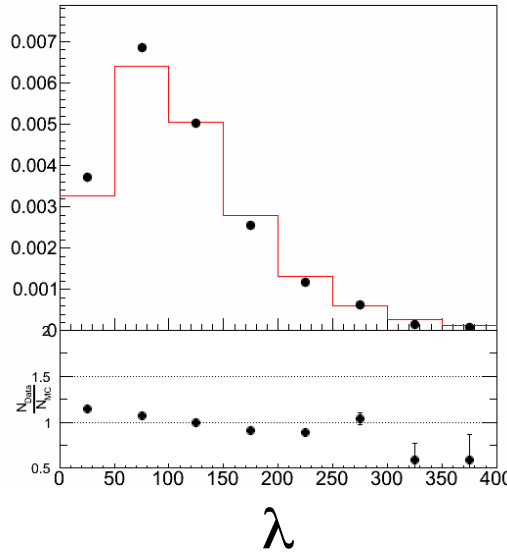


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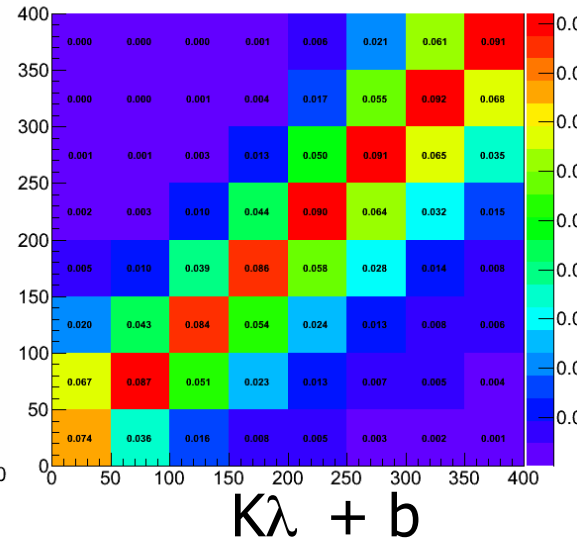


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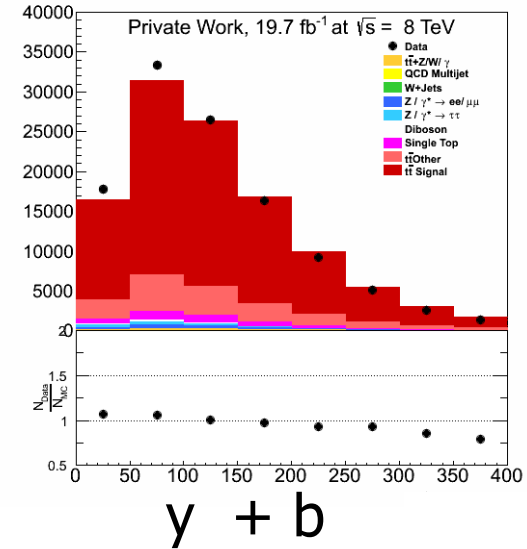
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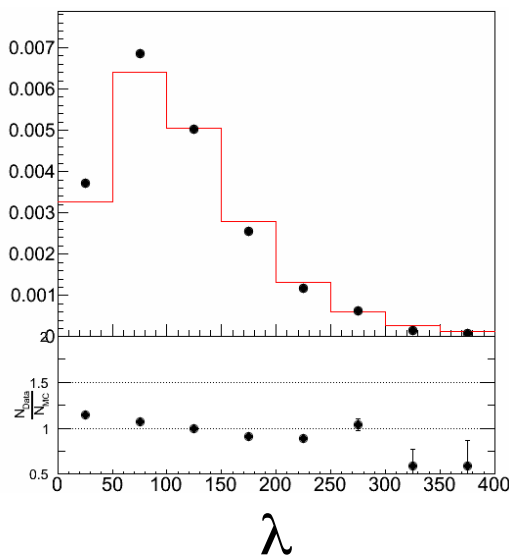
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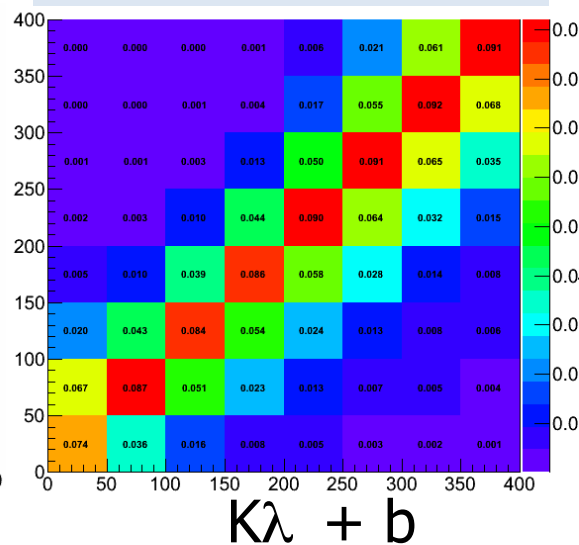
Unfolding means estimating  $\lambda$  from  $D=y+b$

# Unfolding of $\lambda$

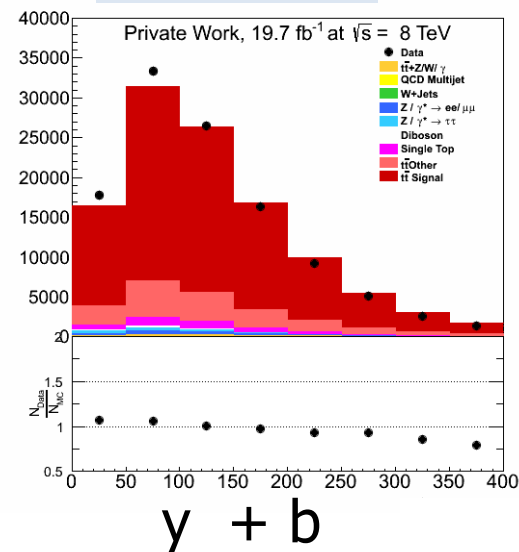
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Detector effects + background



Smeared space



Max. Likelihood  
solution gaussian approximation

**Same # of  $\lambda$  and  $y$  bins:**  $\lambda = K^{-1} y$

**More  $y$  bins:** minimize  $\chi^2 = [y - K\lambda]^t V_y^{-1} [y - K\lambda]$

Often instable high frequency components of unfolded  $\lambda \rightarrow$  regularisation

**TUnfold:**

$$\chi^2 = [y - K\lambda]^t V_y^{-1} [y - K\lambda] + \tau^2 ||L(\lambda - \lambda_0)||^2$$

Regularisation strength

Matrix: unity, 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> derivatives

Bias vector

# Regularisation strength criterion

should use objective criteria such as Akaike information, Cross validation and numerous others

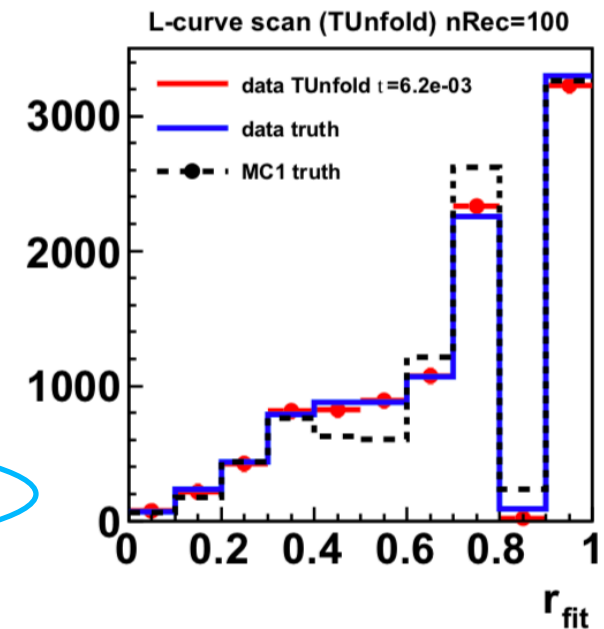
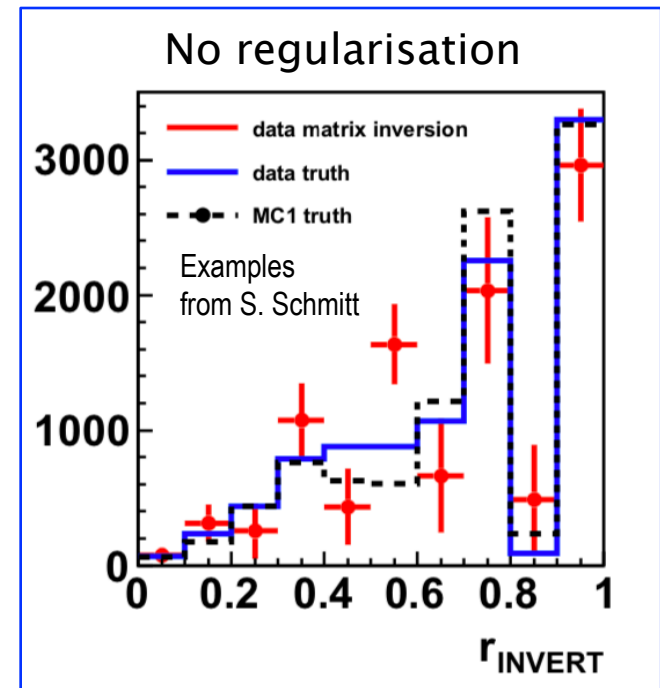
TUnfold:

$$\chi^2 = [\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{K}\boldsymbol{\lambda}]^t \mathbf{V}_y^{-1} [\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{K}\boldsymbol{\lambda}] + \tau^2 \|\mathbf{L}(\boldsymbol{\lambda} - \boldsymbol{\lambda}_0)\|^2$$

Two criteria available for choosing  $\tau$  :

1. L-curve: balancing the two  $\chi^2$  terms
2. Minimizing average global correlation

Do we really always need regularisation?





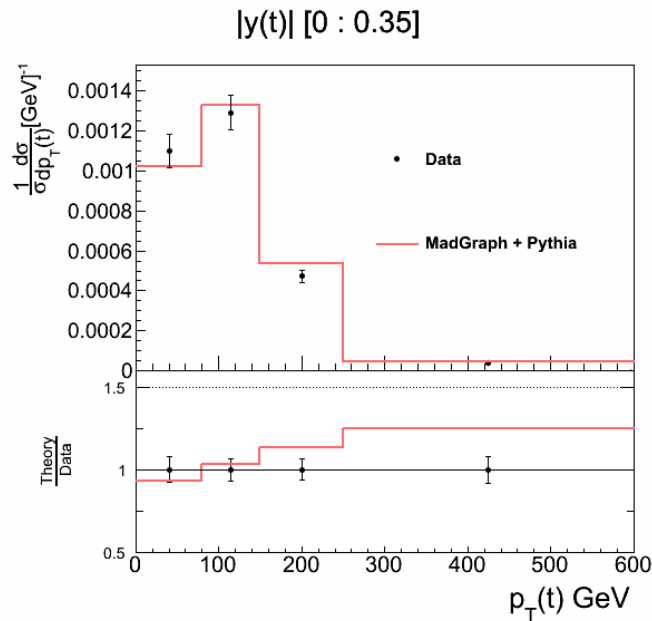
# Unfolding without regularisation

CMS:  $d\sigma^{tt}(p_T(t), y(t))$

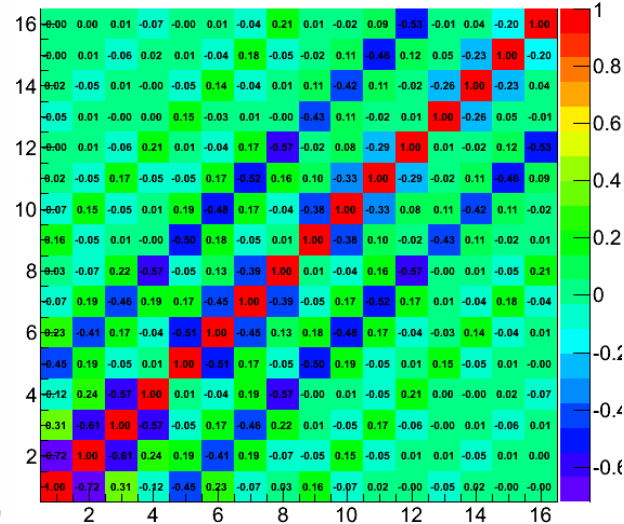
PhD thesis  
I. Korol, DESY  
Uni Hamburg

$p_T(t)$  vs  
 $y(t)$

$\tau = 0$



rho ij total matrix

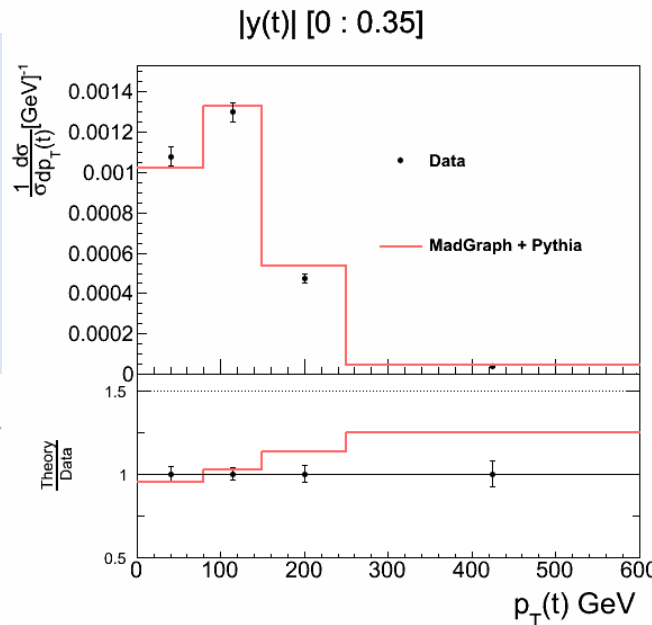


$$\rho_{ij} = \frac{V_{ij}}{\sqrt{V_{ii}V_{jj}}}$$

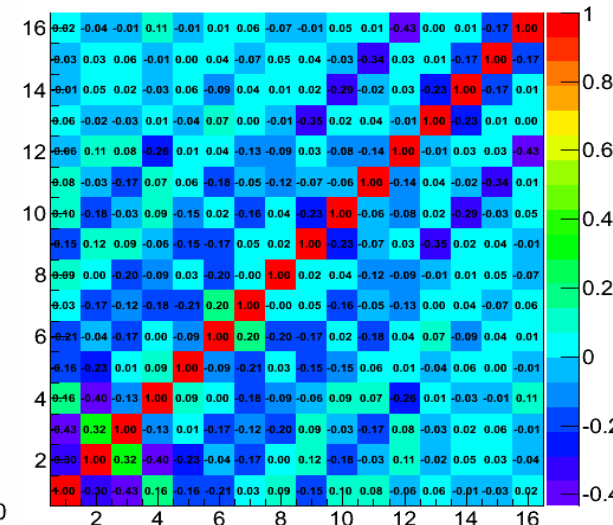
with  $V =$   
covariance  
matrix from  
unfolding

→ Looks ok

$\tau = 0.0006$   
from min.  
global  
correlation



rho ij total matrix



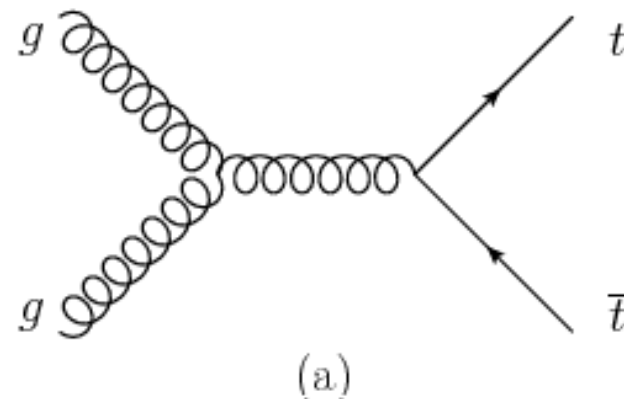
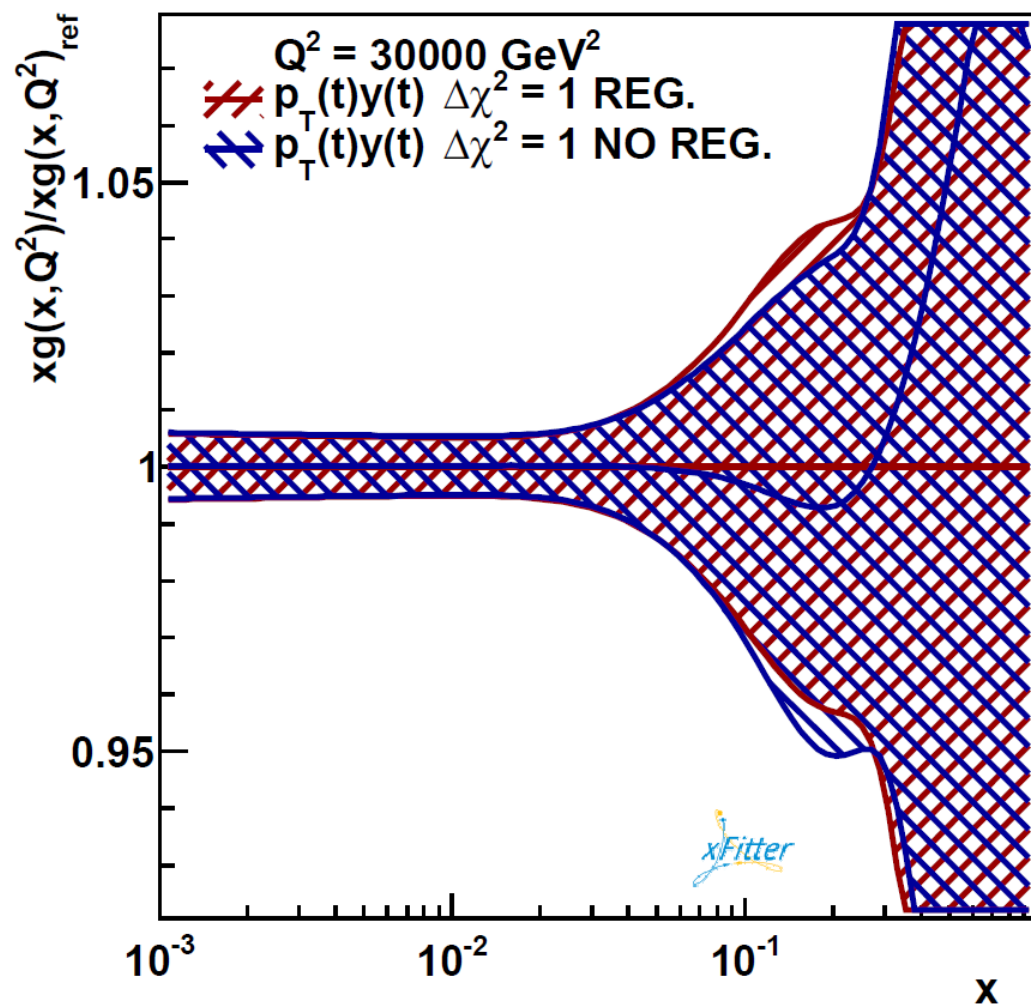
→ Correl.  
spread out

CMS Results published  
in EPJC 77 (2017) 459

# Regularisation effect $\rightarrow$ final PDF fit

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+ private work Oleksandr Zenaiev

Add  $d\sigma^{tt}(m_{tt}, y_{tt})$  to proton PDF fit  $\rightarrow$  constrain  $g(x)$  at high  $x$



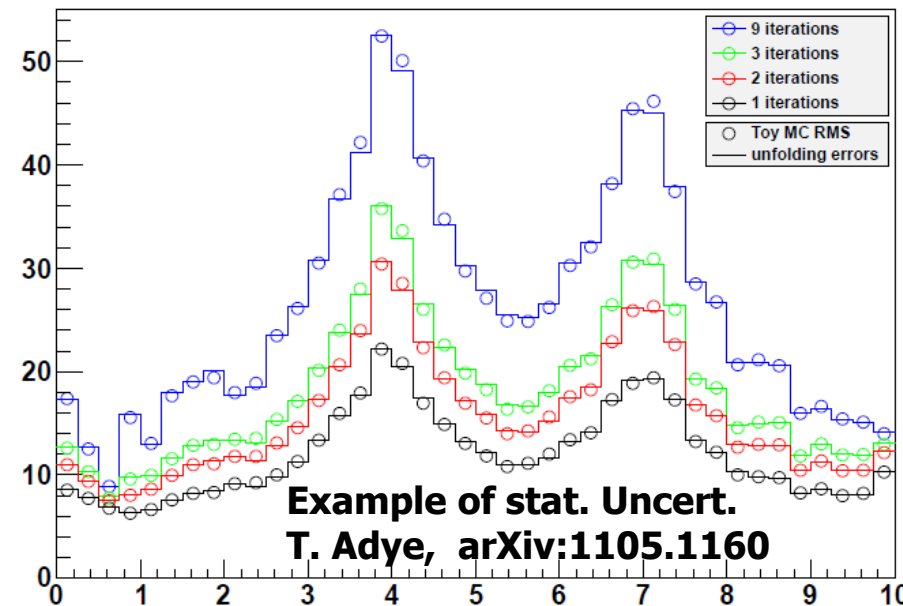
$\rightarrow$  rather small effect



iteration index

$$\lambda_j^{(k+1)} = \frac{\lambda_j^{(k)}}{\sum_{i=1}^n K_{ij}} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{K_{ij} y_i}{\sum_{l=1}^p K_{il} \lambda_l^{(k)}}, \quad j = 1, \dots, p$$

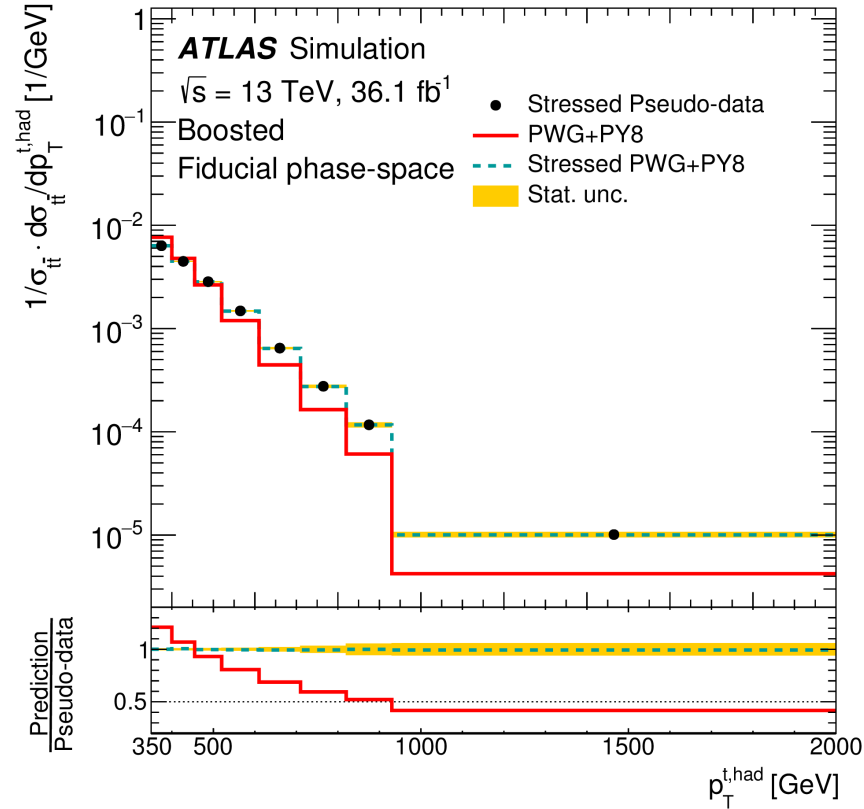
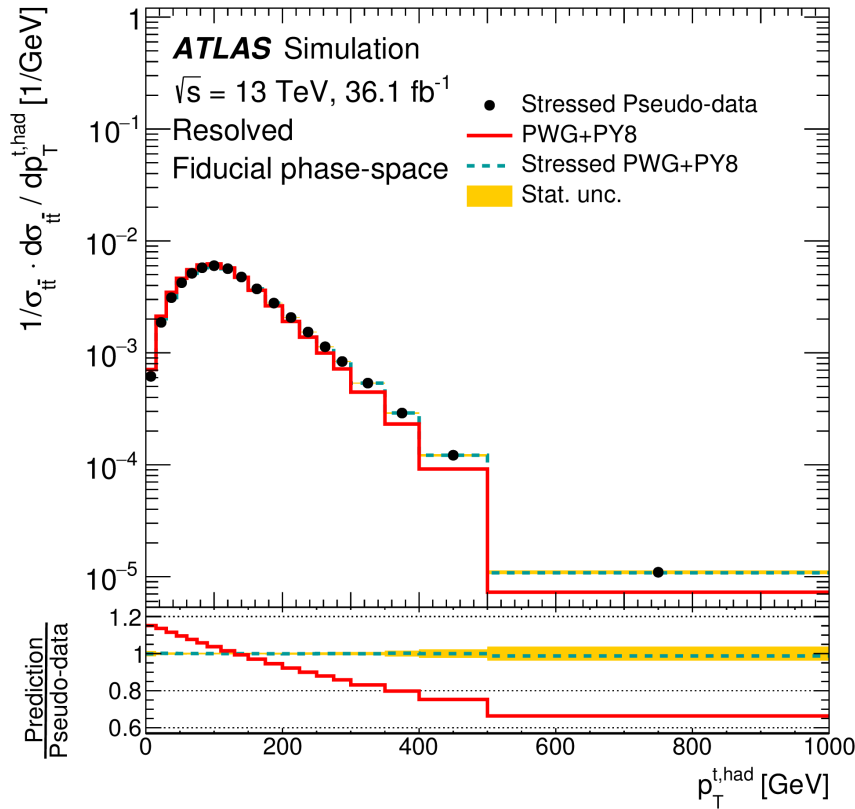
- Biased towards  $\lambda_j^{(0)}$  = Signal MC, inheriting lack of high frequencies
- Converges slowly to unregularized max. likelihood estimation
- Statistical uncertainties attractively small but grow with k (as bias ↘)
- When to stop iteration? (Default in RooUnfold: 4) Need to tune for each analysis! Some analysis “It was found that after 80 iterations the unfolding bias is small enough as well as the Poisson-induced stat. fluctuations do not yet contribute.”



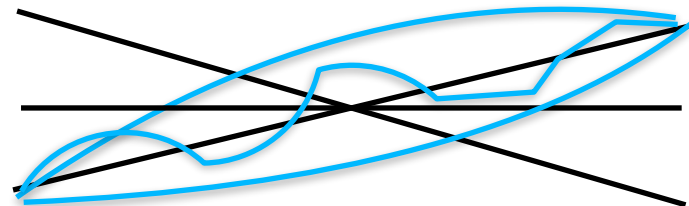
How can we check/control biases? → See following slides

# ATLAS lepton+jets: stress tests

## Unfold MC $p_T^{t,\text{had}}$ spectra, reweighted by straight line



😊 Stressed spectra recovered within uncertainties  
→ How far should one stress?

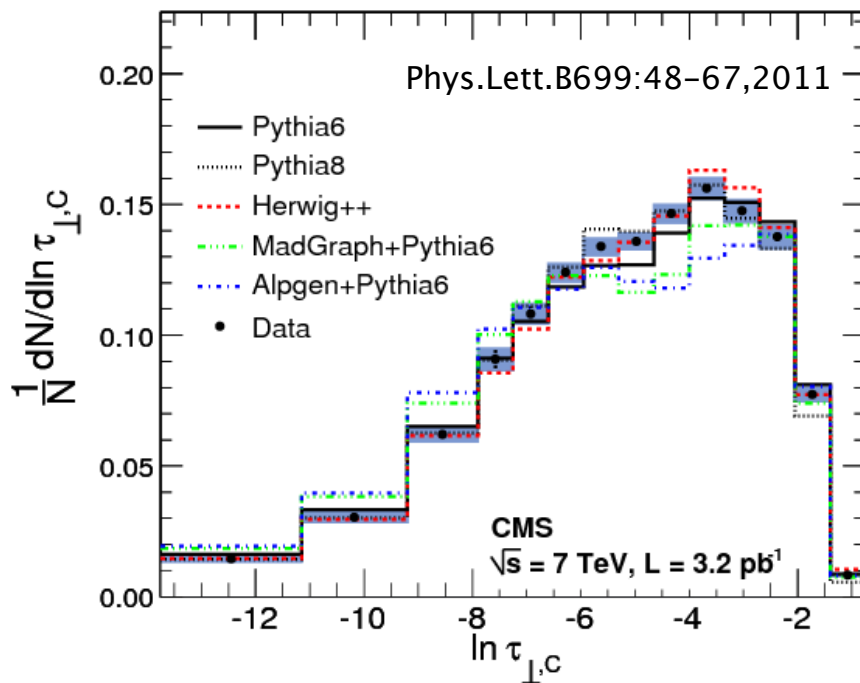


# Bottomline test

Idea: Comparing theory models to unfolded data should NOT be more discriminative than comparing folded theories to detector data

→ assess with data-model  $\chi^2$  tests at both levels (stat. uncert. only)

Hadronic event shape analysis example with SVD unfolding



Material from talk M. Weber, PHYSTAT 2011

MC Generator	$\chi^2$ values between data and smeared mc	$\chi^2$ values between unfolded data and Gen mc
PYTHIA6	421	398
HERWIG++	211	200
MADGRAPH	2590	2570
ALPGEN	3860	3860

→ Chi2 order is the same before and after unfolding, values are similar

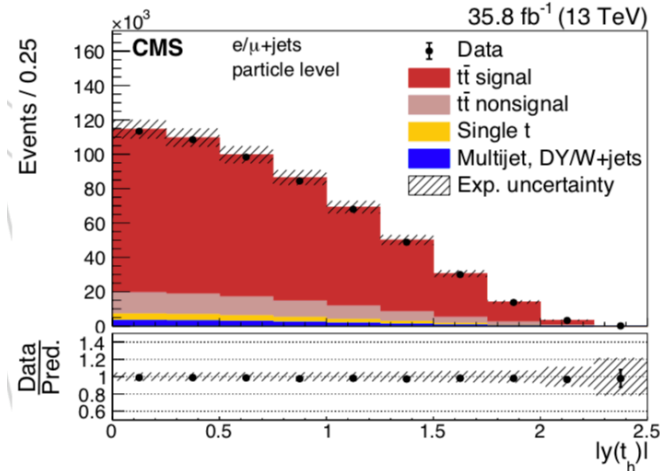


No sign of too strong regularisation in this example

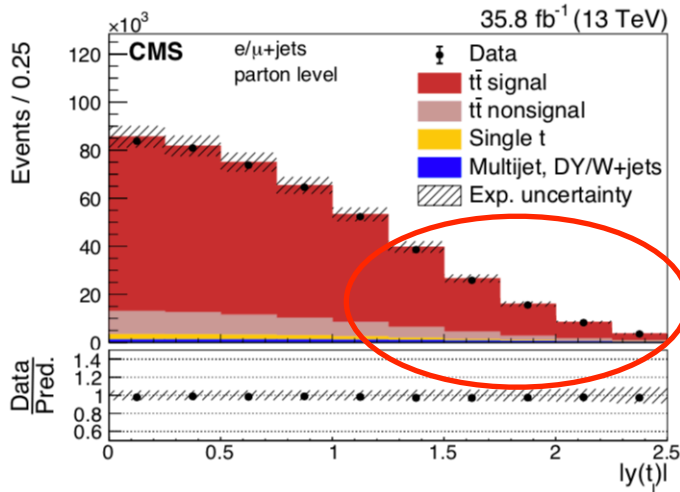
# Bottomline test in CMS lepton+jets tt analysis

D'Agostini  
unfolding

$y(t)$  at det. level

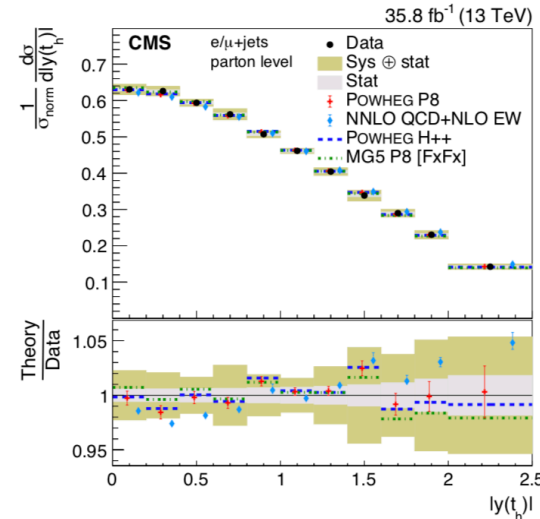


$t \rightarrow bjj'$

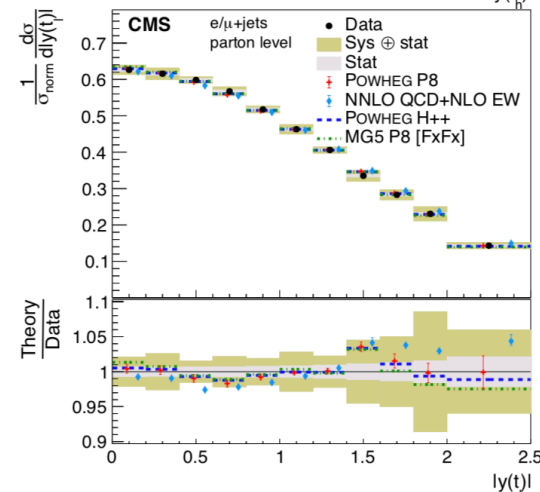


$t \rightarrow blv$

$y(t)$  unfolded to parton level



Need ~ 5 iterations  
to have  $\chi^2_{\text{data-models}}$   
similar at both levels



Need ~ 50 iterations  
to have  $\chi^2_{\text{data-models}}$   
similar at both levels

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- Number of needed iterations depend on bin-size/resolution
- Don't use blindly the RooUnfold default of 4 iterations

# Statistical uncertainties

## ATLAS Lepton+jet

- using sampling techniques (pseudo experiments)
- for data, signal and background MCs

+

Flexible, can also handle correlations between different unfolded spectra

## CMS Dilepton

- using TUnfold errorpropagation
- for data, signal and background MCs

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Fast

# Generator model uncertainties of response matrix

## ATLAS Lepton+jet

- Unfold **alternative Signal MCs** using the **nominal MC** for detector corrections (fixed response matrix)

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Avoid effects from data statistical fluctuations

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Assume  
signal MC  $\cong$  signal data

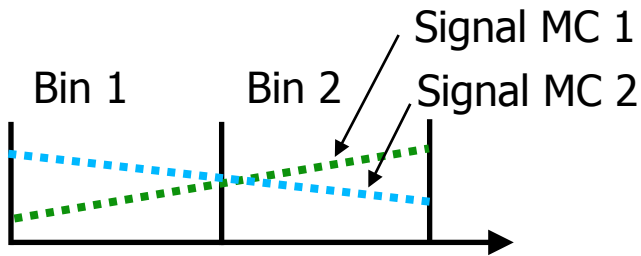
## CMS Dilepton

- Unfold **data** with using **alternative Signal MCs** for detector corrections (varied response matrices)



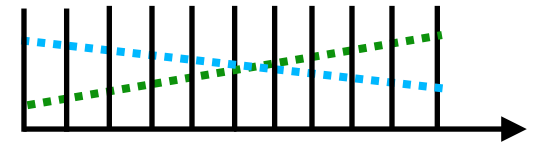
# Wide bins and model systematics

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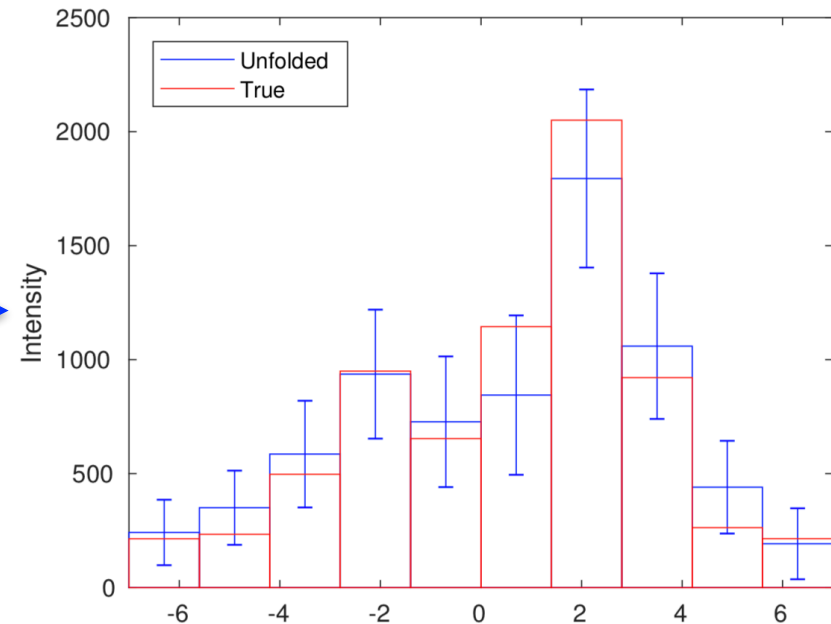
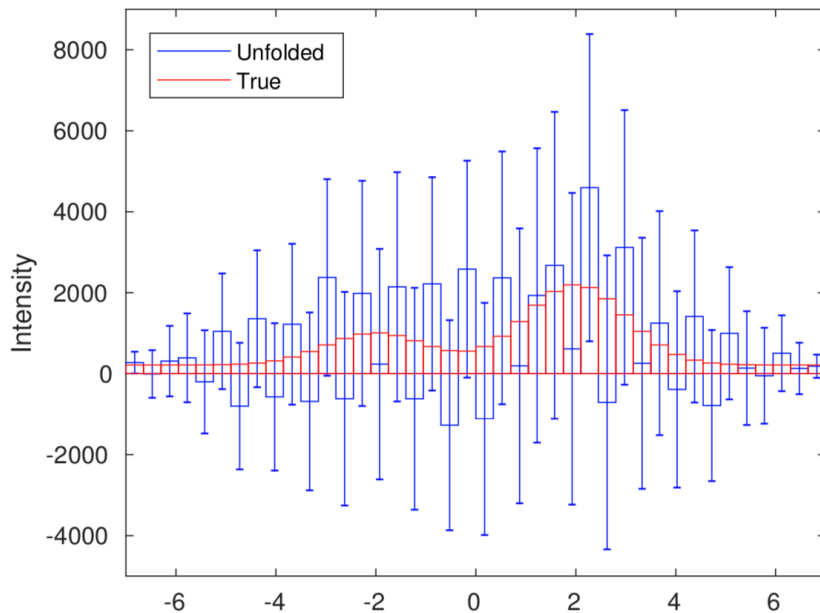


Different distributions within bins  
→ Different response matrices  
→ Model Systematics

Reduced effects within smaller bins



- Idea: unfold with fine bins and then aggregate results in wide bins

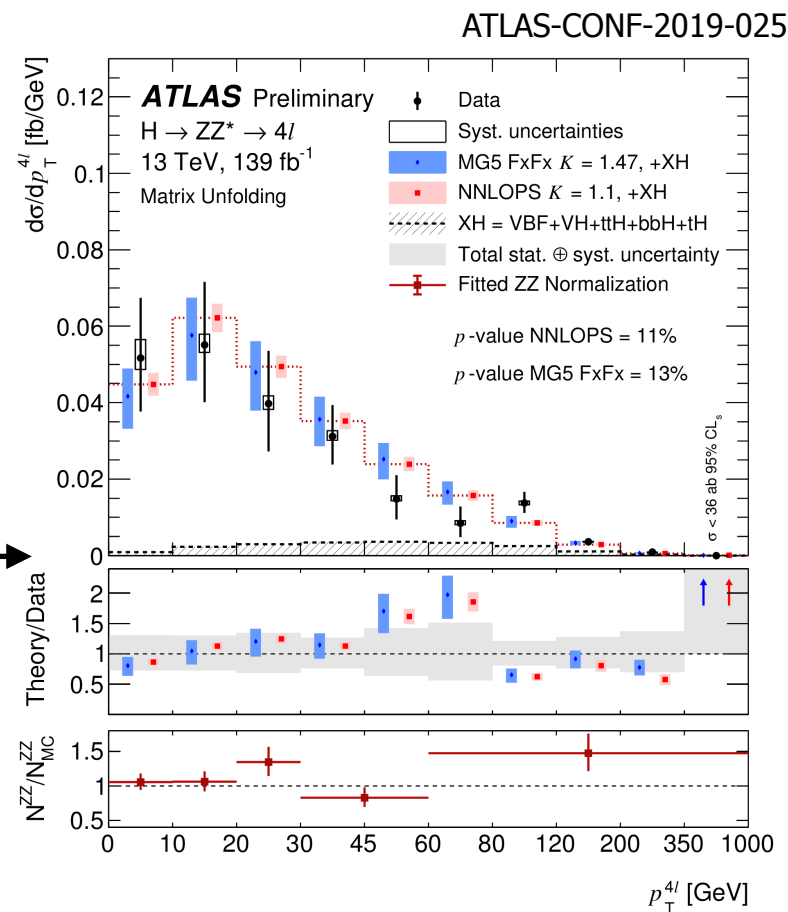


→ Improved modelling systematics, as detailed in talk

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# Summary

- ✓ New levels of precision (few %) reached in ATLAS and CMS unfolded  $d\sigma^{tt}/dx$  with 2016 data
- ✓ Several powerful unfolding tools available: TUnfold, SVD, D'Agostini, Full Bayes and more
- ✓ Need careful optimisation of binning, regularisation and *closure and bias tests* (e.g. *bottomline\* test*)
- ✓ Outlook: Will probably see more **profile likelihood based unfoldings**



# Appendix

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# Unfolding with removing 'bad' events from Response Matrix

Invented example: compare two bin event counts to theory:

Theory prediction at gen level: (150, 50)

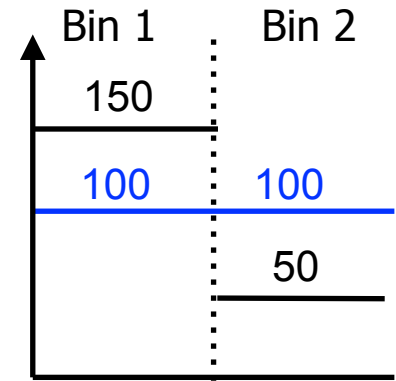
Data true values at gen level: (100, 100)

Response Matrix:

Good events:  $K_G = \begin{pmatrix} 0.6 & 0. \\ 0. & 0.6 \end{pmatrix}$  Bad events:  $K_B = \begin{pmatrix} 0.2 & 0.2 \\ 0.2 & 0.2 \end{pmatrix}$

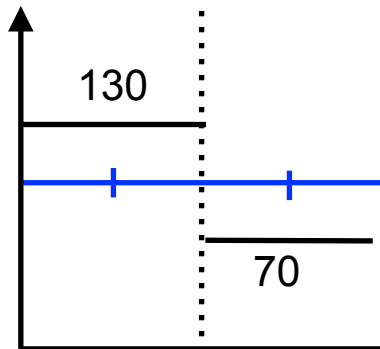
Fold theory to detector level: (130, 70)

<Data> at detector level: (100, 100)



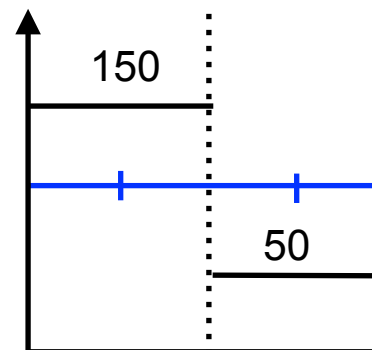
Take example: observed data events (100,100):  
1. Correct for good events fraction  $\rightarrow$  (60,60)  
2. Unfold to gen level with  $K_G^{-1} \rightarrow$  (100,100)

Det. level:



$$\chi^2_{\text{data-theory}} = 9^2 + 9^2 = 18$$

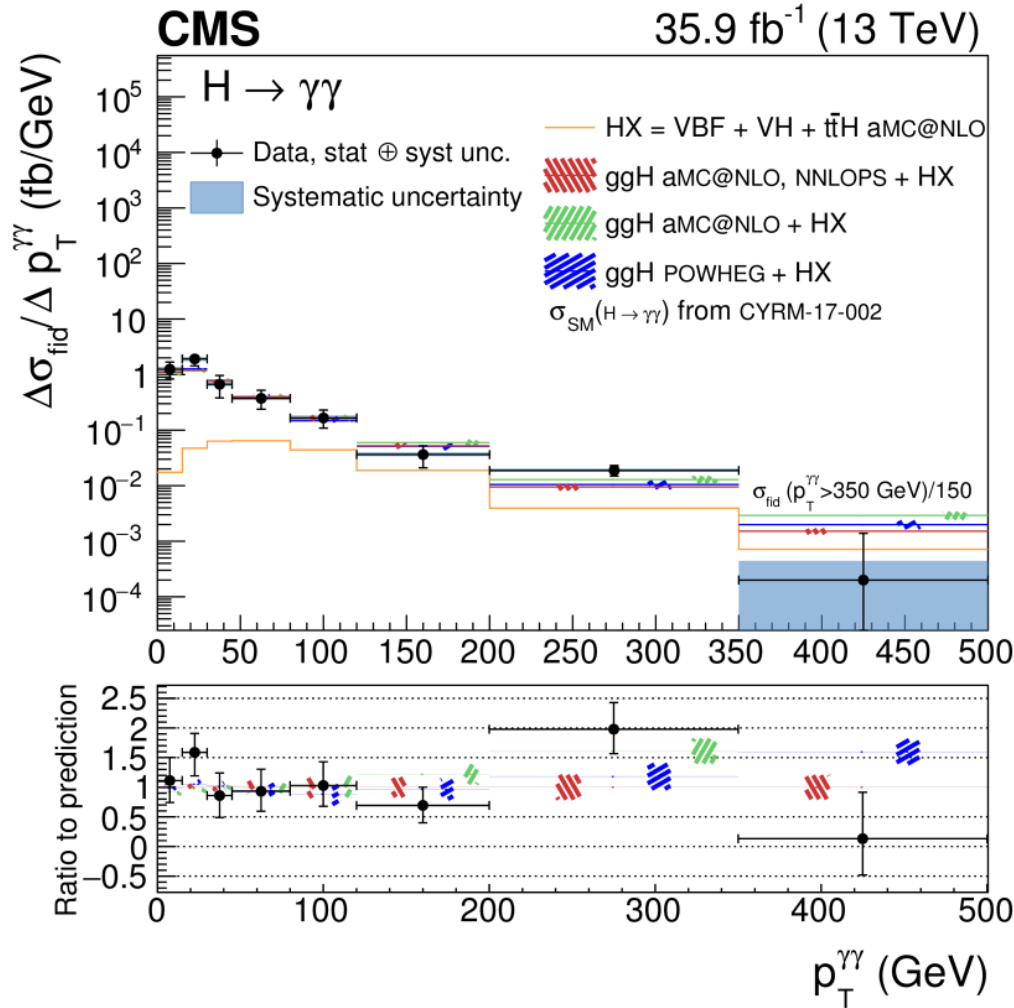
Unfolded level:



$$\chi^2_{\text{data-theory}} = 25^2 + 25^2 = 50$$

$\rightarrow$  Fails Bottomline test

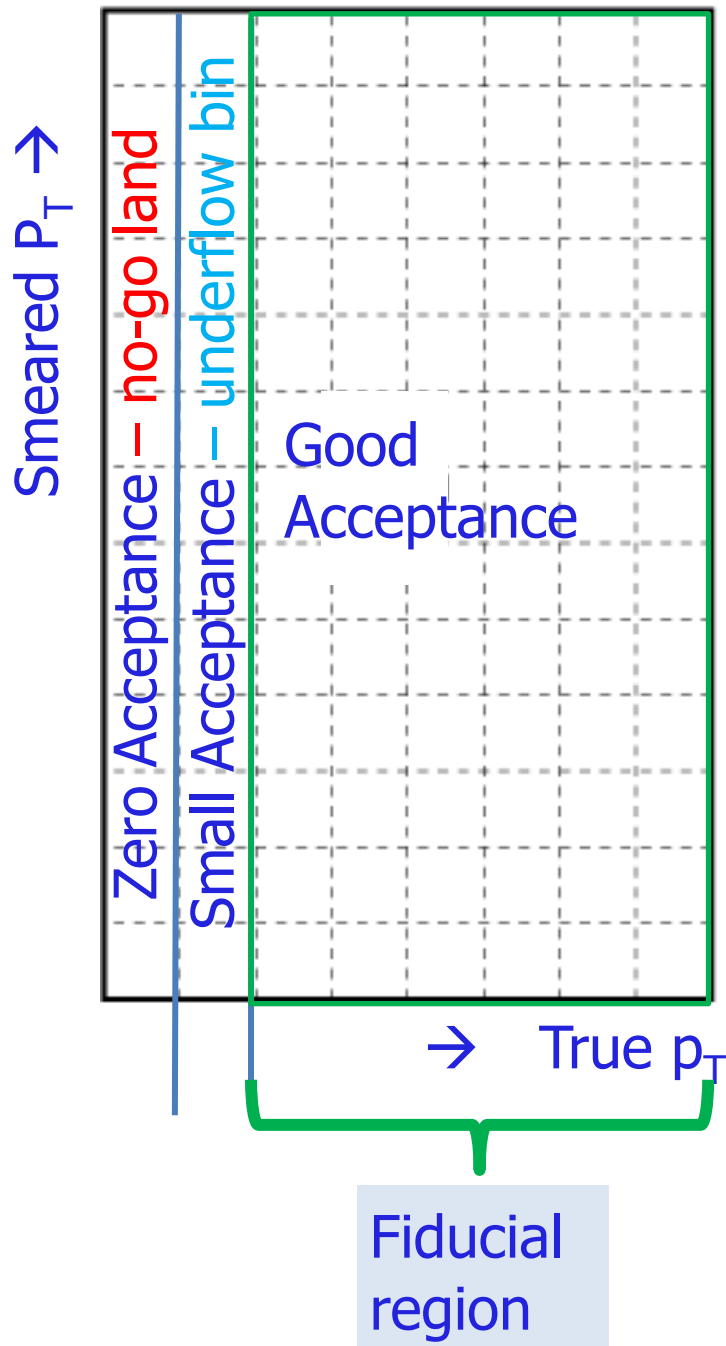
# CMS example for profile likelihood unfolding



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Performed with  
Higgs combine tool

<https://cms-analysis.github.io/HiggsAnalysis-CombinedLimit/>



# Underflow bins and 2d-TUnfolding

## Example: top $p_T$ cross sections

Include underflow bin(s) in unfolding and publish results in fiducial region

→ **minimizes MC model systematics** for migrations in- and out fiducial range

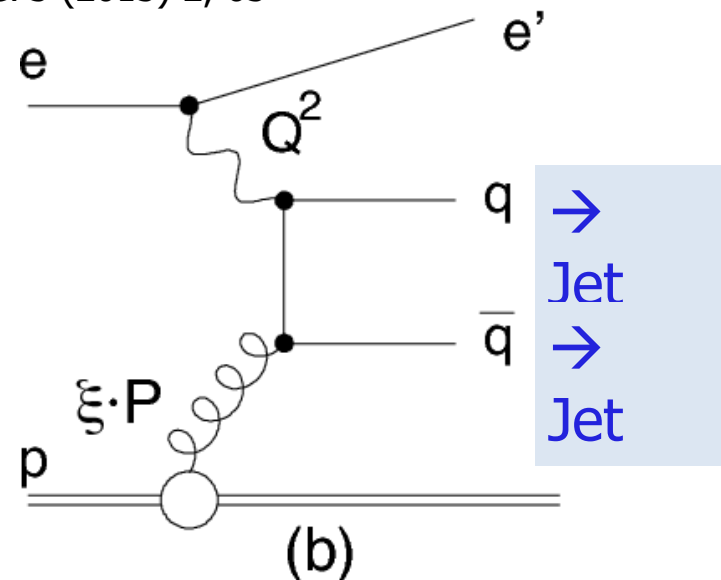
Other fiducial cuts, e.g. rapidity  $y$  of top  
→ useful to include for unfolding of  $p_T$  also underflow bin in  $y$  (and for any other fiducial cut variable)

→ **TUnfold provides multi-dimensional unfolding with automated internal mapping to 1d-arrays**

# H1 TUnfolded jet cross sections

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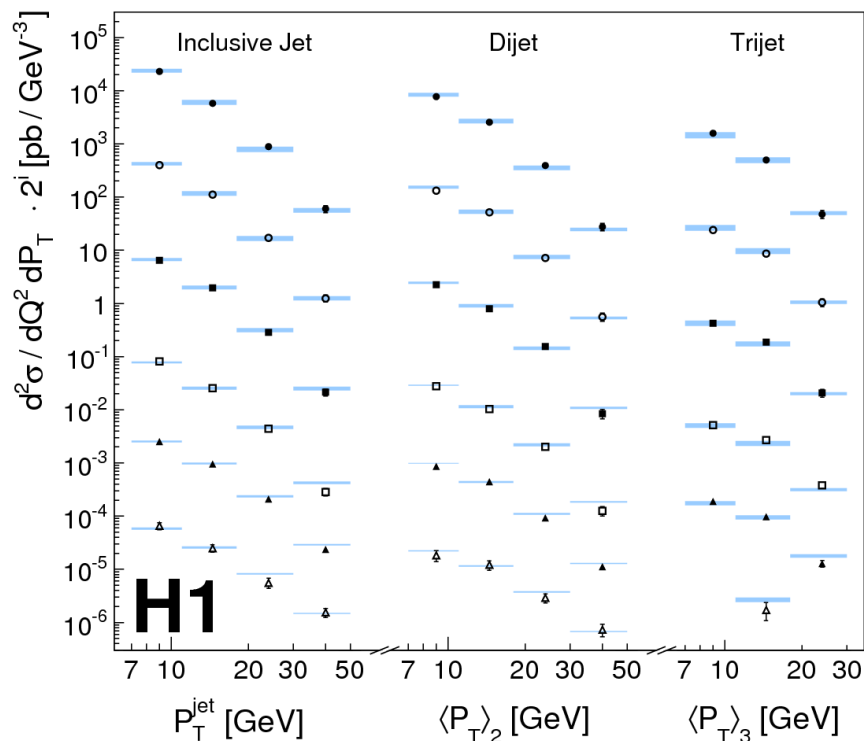
	Extended analysis phase space	Measurement phase space for jet cross sections
NC DIS phase space	$100 < Q^2 < 40\,000 \text{ GeV}^2$ $0.08 < y < 0.7$	$150 < Q^2 < 15\,000 \text{ GeV}^2$ $0.2 < y < 0.7$
Jet polar angular range	$-1.5 < \eta_{\text{lab}}^{\text{jet}} < 2.75$	$-1.0 < \eta_{\text{lab}}^{\text{jet}} < 2.5$
Inclusive jets	$P_T^{\text{jet}} > 3 \text{ GeV}$	$7 < P_T^{\text{jet}} < 50 \text{ GeV}$
Dijets and trijets	$3 < P_T^{\text{jet}} < 50 \text{ GeV}$	$5 < P_T^{\text{jet}} < 50 \text{ GeV}$ $M_{12} > 16 \text{ GeV}$



H1 Data

- $150 < Q^2 < 200 \text{ GeV}^2$  ( $i=16$ )
- $200 < Q^2 < 270 \text{ GeV}^2$  ( $i=11$ )
- $270 < Q^2 < 400 \text{ GeV}^2$  ( $i=6$ )
- $400 < Q^2 < 700 \text{ GeV}^2$  ( $i=1$ )
- ▲  $700 < Q^2 < 5000 \text{ GeV}^2$  ( $i=0$ )
- △  $5000 < Q^2 < 15000 \text{ GeV}^2$  ( $i=0$ )

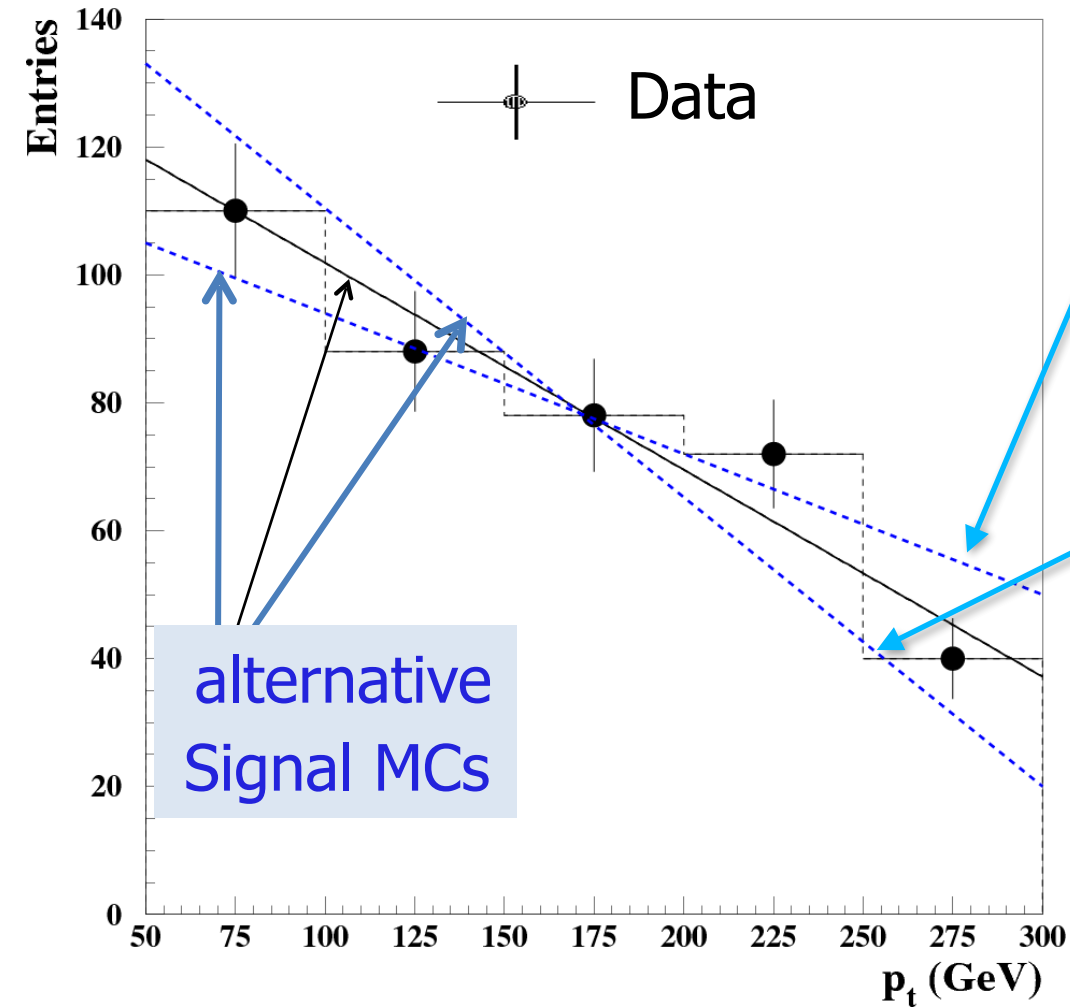
NLO  $\otimes$   $c^{\text{had}}$   $\otimes$   $c^{\text{ew}}$   
NLOJet++ with fastNLO  
MSTW2008,  $\alpha_s = 0.118$



→ Simultaneously unfolded 1,2 and 3 jet event cross sections

→ Among the worldwide most precise jet measurements  
→ Unfolding effort pays off

# Wide bins and model systematics



Generator events more uniformly distributed in bin

More generator events at low bin edge

alternative  
Signal MCs

→ Different response matrices  $K$   
→ Contributes to model systematics