

# **Measurement of differential production cross section for high- $p_T$ top quarks in proton-proton collisions at 13 TeV**

(l+jets & hadronic ttbar decay channels)

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Measurement of the top-anti-top differential production cross section of high transverse momentum top quarks in the all-hadronic final state using the 2016 proton-proton collision data at  $\sqrt{s} = 13$  TeV.

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Measurement of the differential  $t\bar{t}$  production cross section for high- $p_T$  top quarks in  $e/\mu+jets$  final states at 13 TeV

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### Abstract

This analysis note describes a measurement of the differential top quark pair production cross section for top quarks with high transverse momentum ( $p_T$ ) in pp collisions at a center-of-mass energy of 13 TeV. The measurement is performed using data collected at CMS during the 2016 run, corresponding to an integrated luminosity of  $35.9 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ . The measurement is performed for events where one or two quarks decay hadronically and is reconstructed as a single large-radius jet with  $p_T > 400 \text{ GeV}$ . In the case where one quark decays leptonically to a b-jet, an electron or a muon, and a neutrino, the substructure of the event is used to identify a large-radius jet as a top jet candidate.

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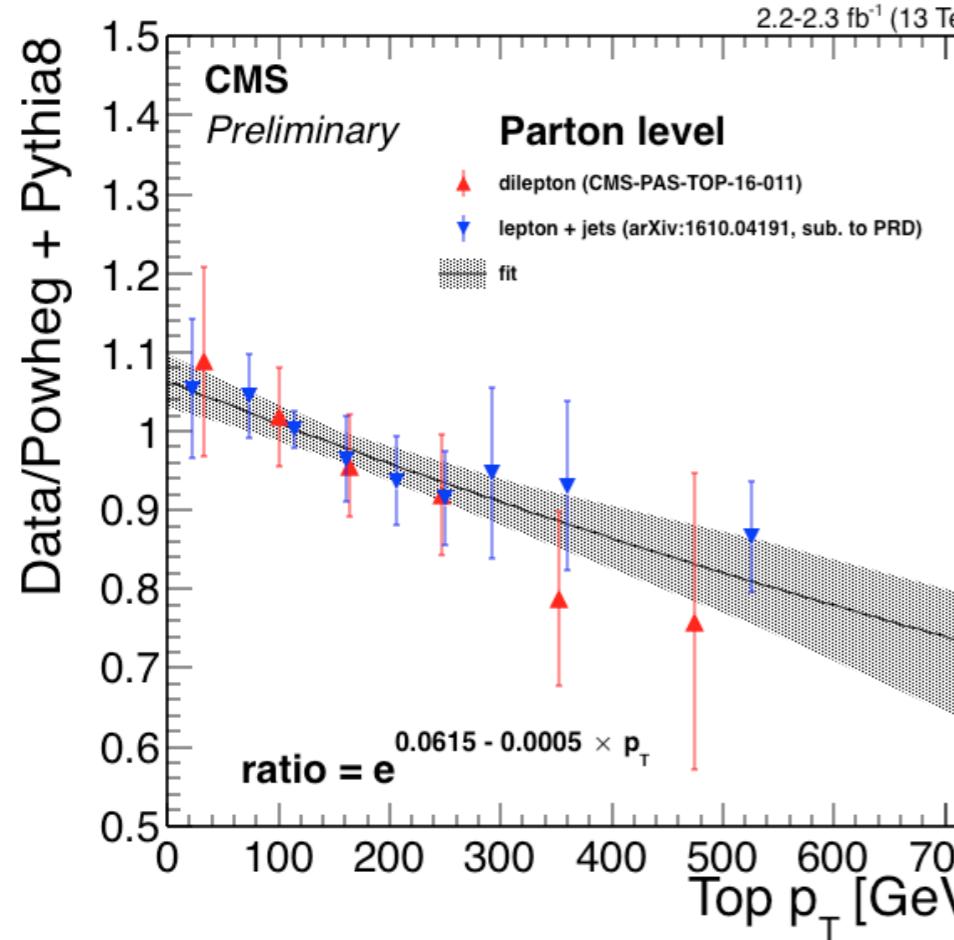
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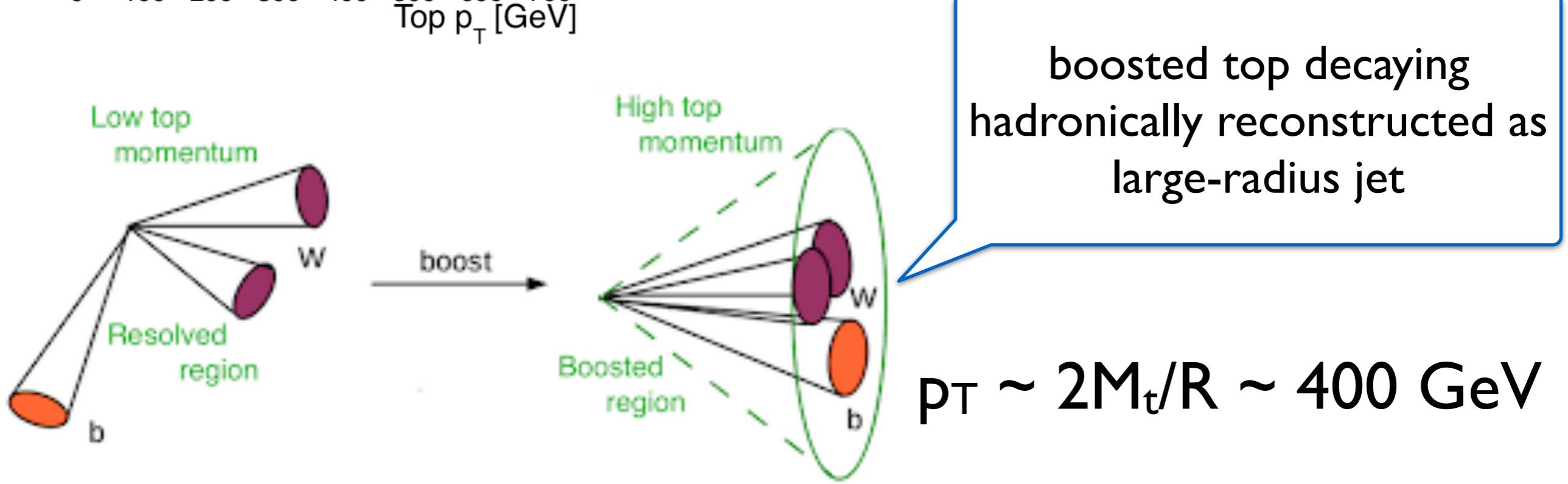
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# Motivation



- ◆ explore the kinematic region beyond the reach of the resolved analyses ( $p_T > 400 \text{ GeV}$ )
  - ➡ sensitive to new physics
  - ➡ crucial test for perturbative QCD
- ◆ two distinct final states
  - ➡ l+jets (boosted hadronically decaying top quark & resolved leptonically decaying top)
  - ➡ hadronic (both boosted tops decaying hadronically)



# Analysis overview (hadronic)

## - 2016 dataset

- very well understood (calibrations, scale factors, etc)
- working on the legacy measurement with full Run II dataset but it will take ~1 year to reach same level of maturity

## - Trigger: two AK8 jets @ HLT and b tagging

## - Selection

- two AK8 jets with  $p_T > 400$  GeV
- “ttbar event tagging” MVA using jet substructure variables as inputs
- categories based on subjet b tagging
  - 0-btag: control
  - 2-btag: signal
- Backgrounds
  - QCD dominant: taken from data
  - others (ST, W/Z+jets): negligible

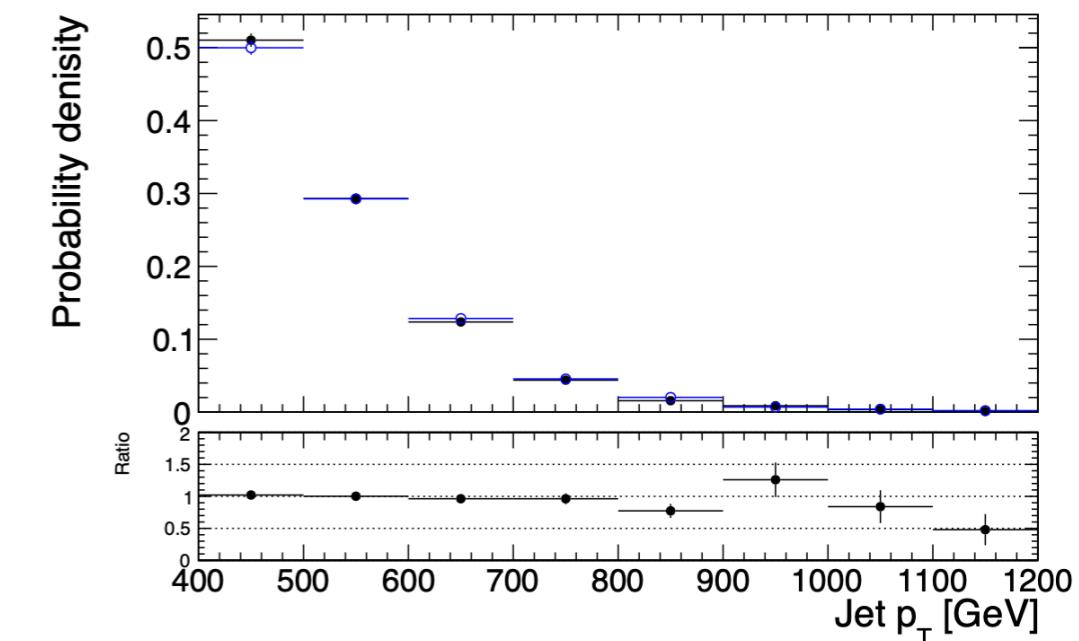
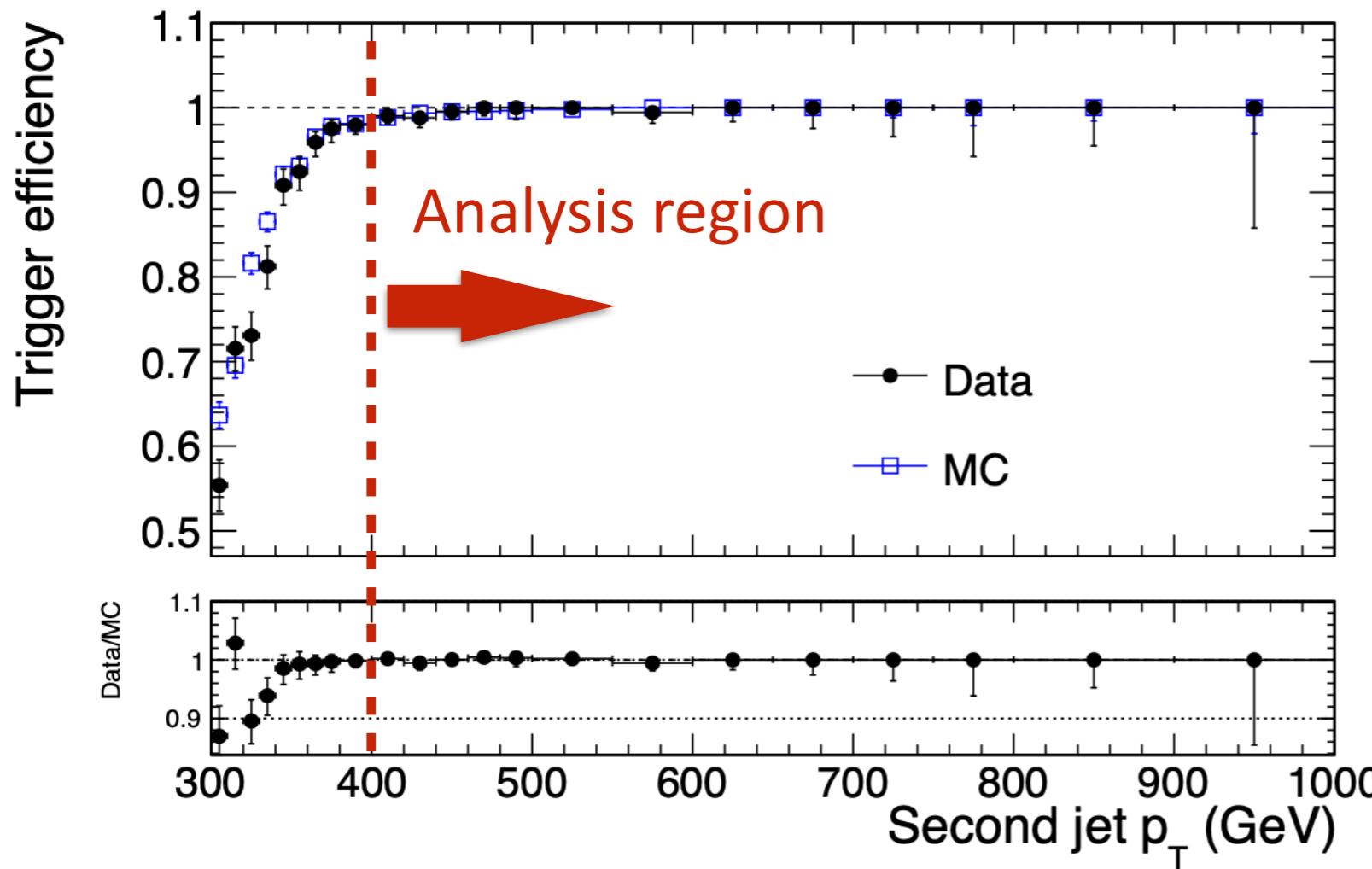
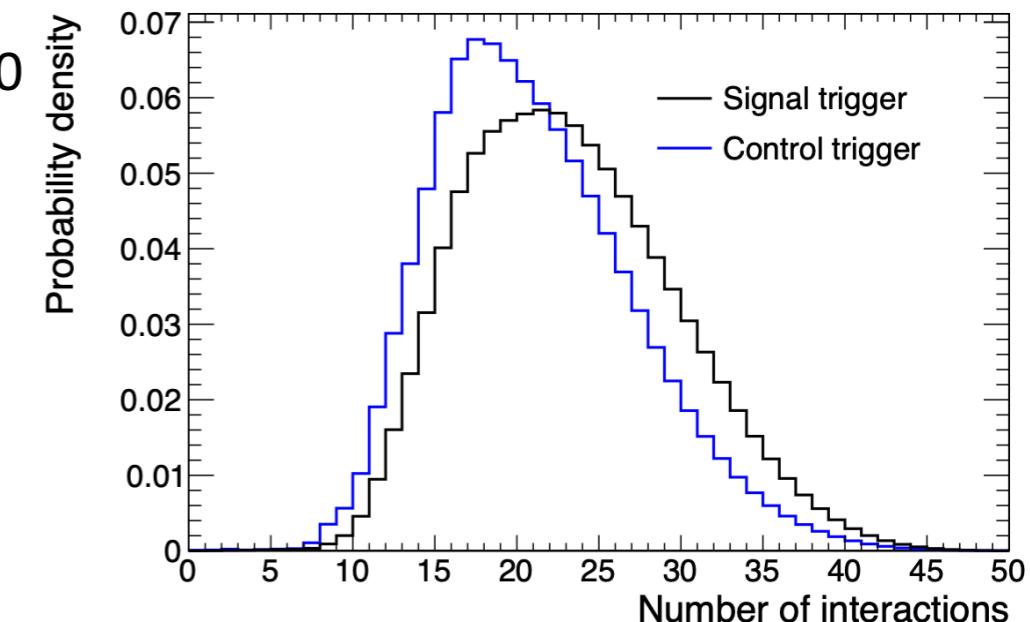
## - Deliverables

- differential cross sections
- seven observables: leading & subleading top  $p_T$  &  $|y|$ , ttbar system mass,  $p_T$  & rapidity
- unfolded to parton level, unfolded to particle level



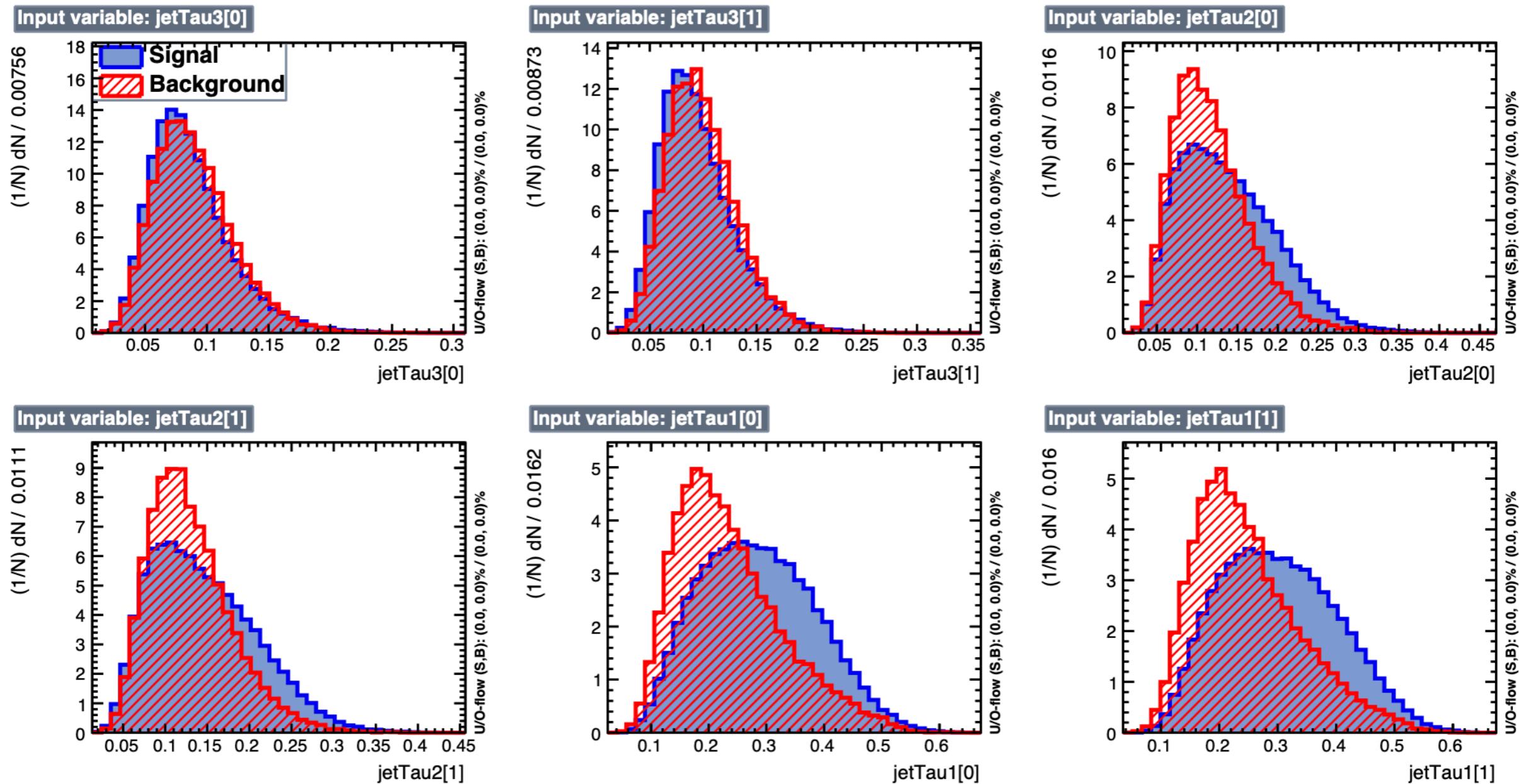
# Trigger

- **Signal path:** HLT\_AK8DiPFJet280\_200\_TrimMass30\_BTagCSV\_p20
  - unprescaled:  $35.9 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  luminosity
  - efficiency measured wrt orthogonal muon trigger
- **Control path:** HLT\_AK8DiPFJet280\_200\_TrimMass30
  - same kinematics, no HLT b tagging
  - prescaled:  $1.67 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  luminosity
  - somewhat lower pileup profile (analysis not sensitive to pileup)

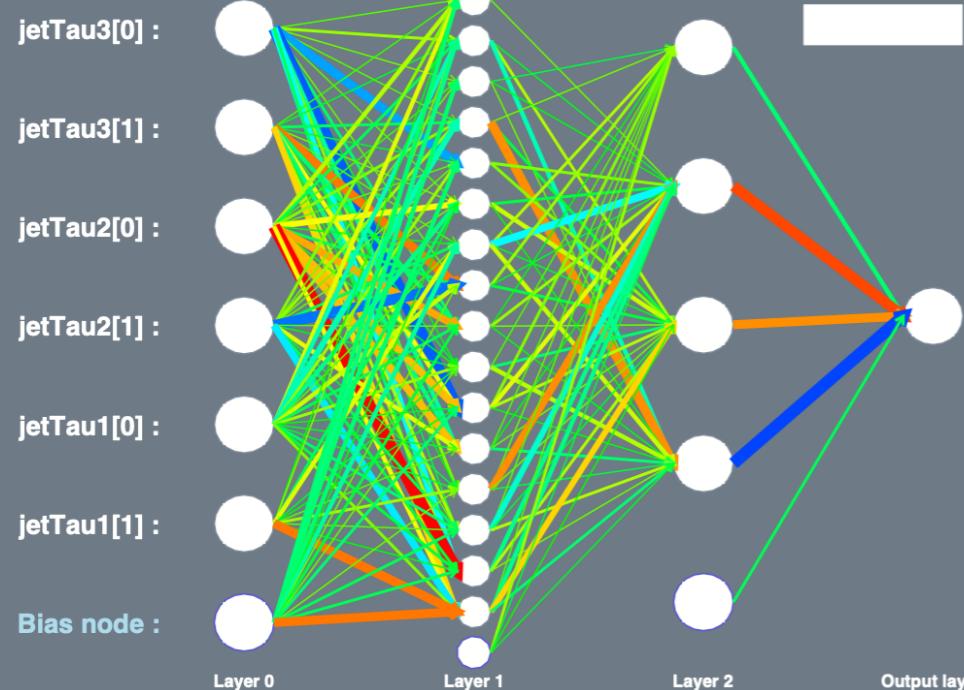


# Multivariate discriminant (variables)

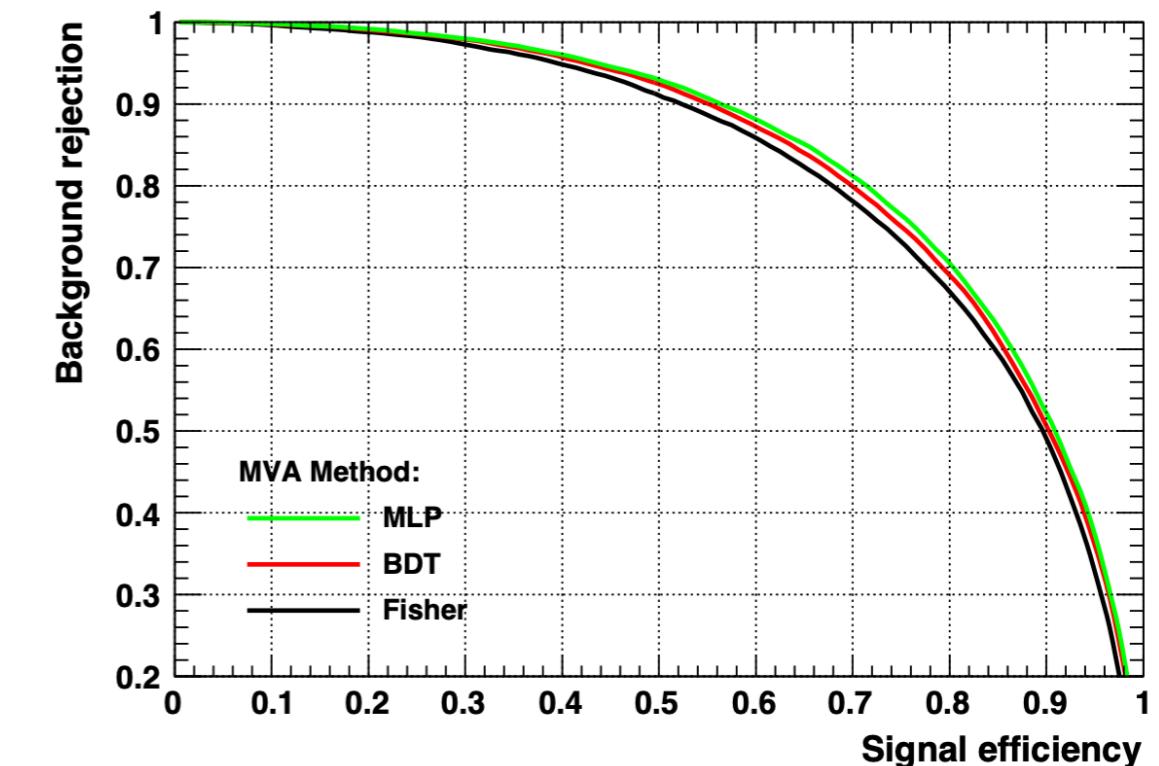
“ $t\bar{t}$ bar tagger”  
N-subjettiness  $\tau_{1,2,3}$  for both jets



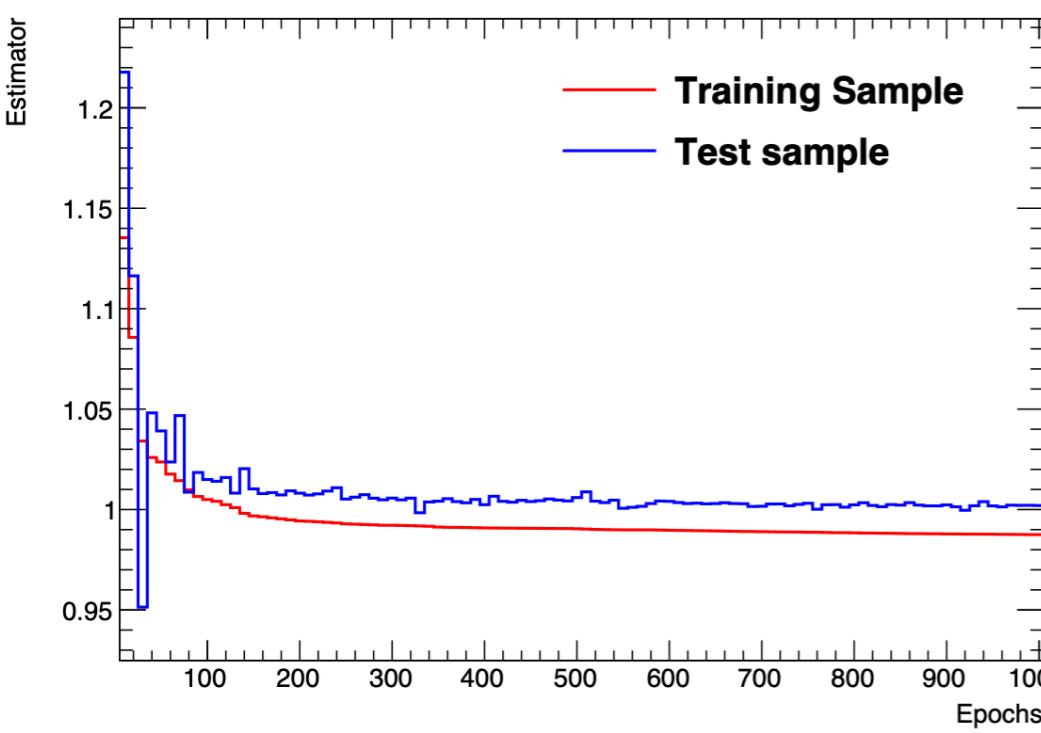
# Multivariate discriminant (training)



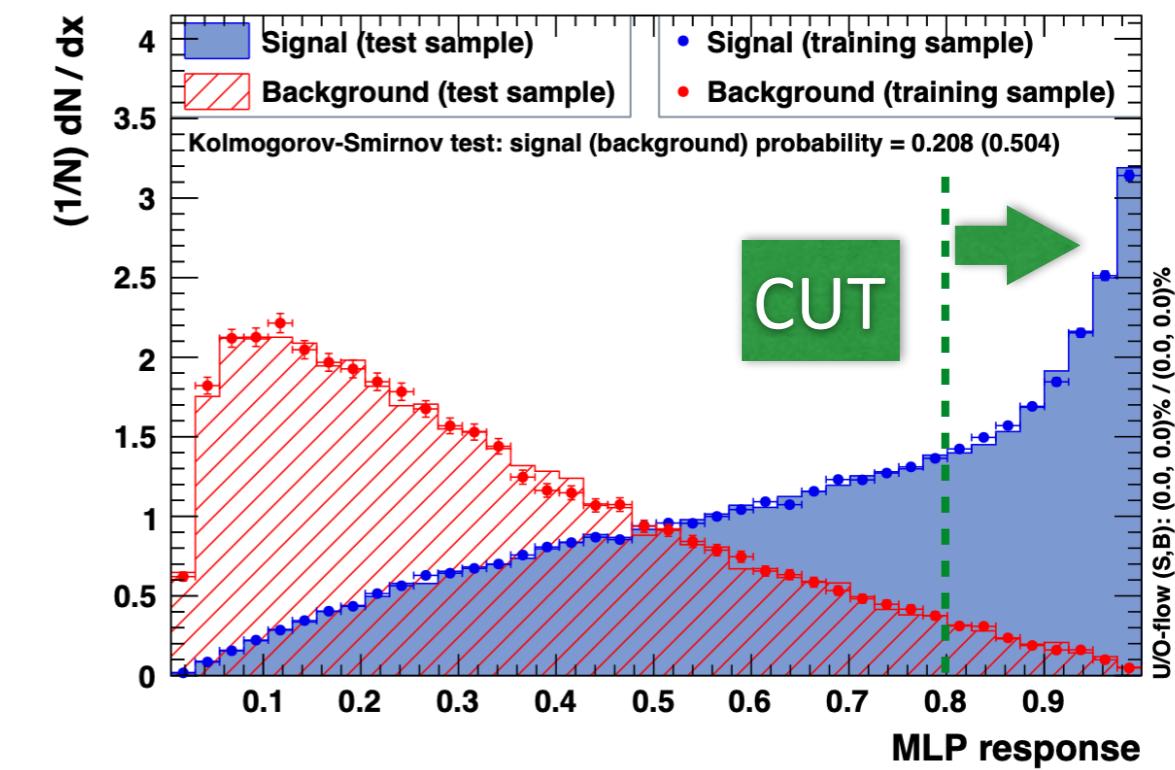
Background rejection versus Signal efficiency



MLP Convergence Test



TMVA overtraining check for classifier: MLP



# Selection

Table 1: Baseline selection requirements (hadronic channel).

Observable	Requirement
$N_{\text{jets}}$	$> 1$
$N_{\text{leptons}}$	$= 0$
$p_T^{1,2}$	$> 400 \text{ GeV}$
$m_{SD}^{1,2}$	$50\text{--}300 \text{ GeV}$

jets: AK8 PF+CHS

NN CUT (0.8)  
compromise between enough  
 $t\bar{t}$  events and signal purity

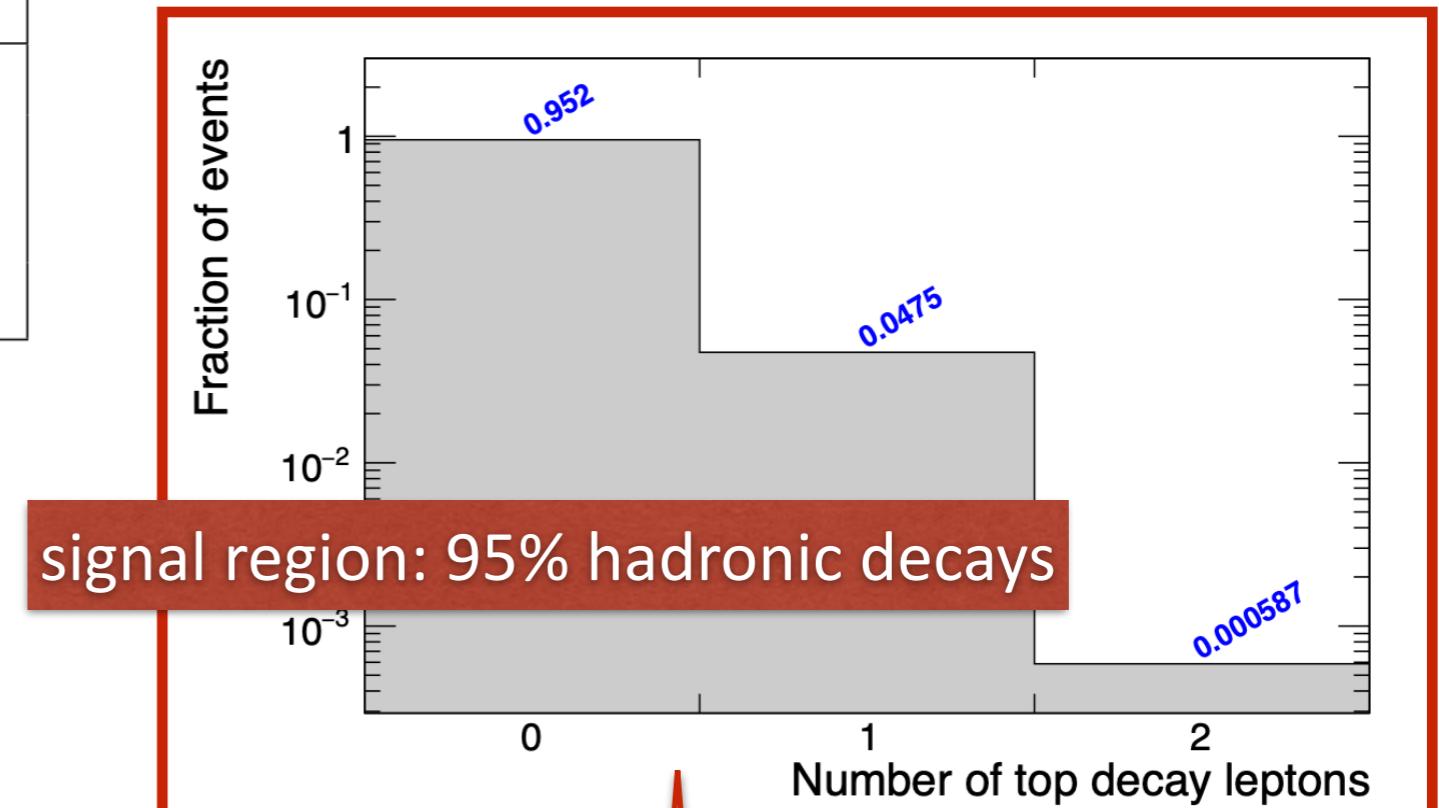
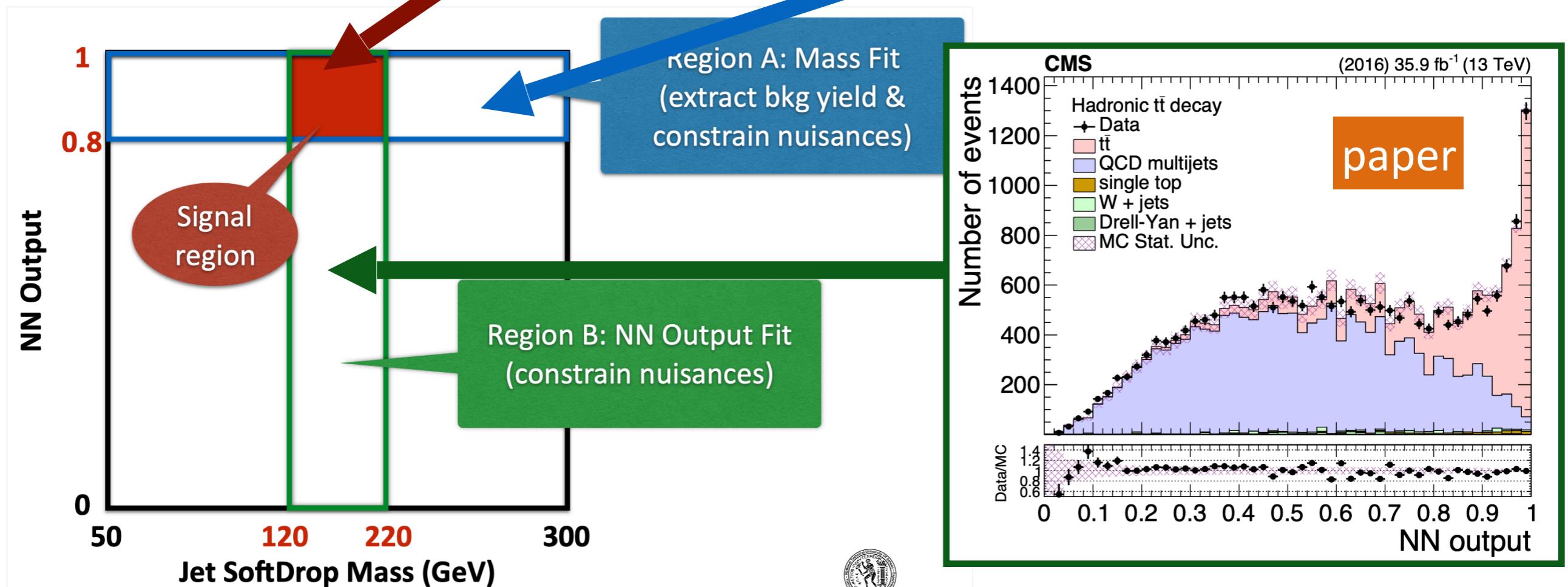
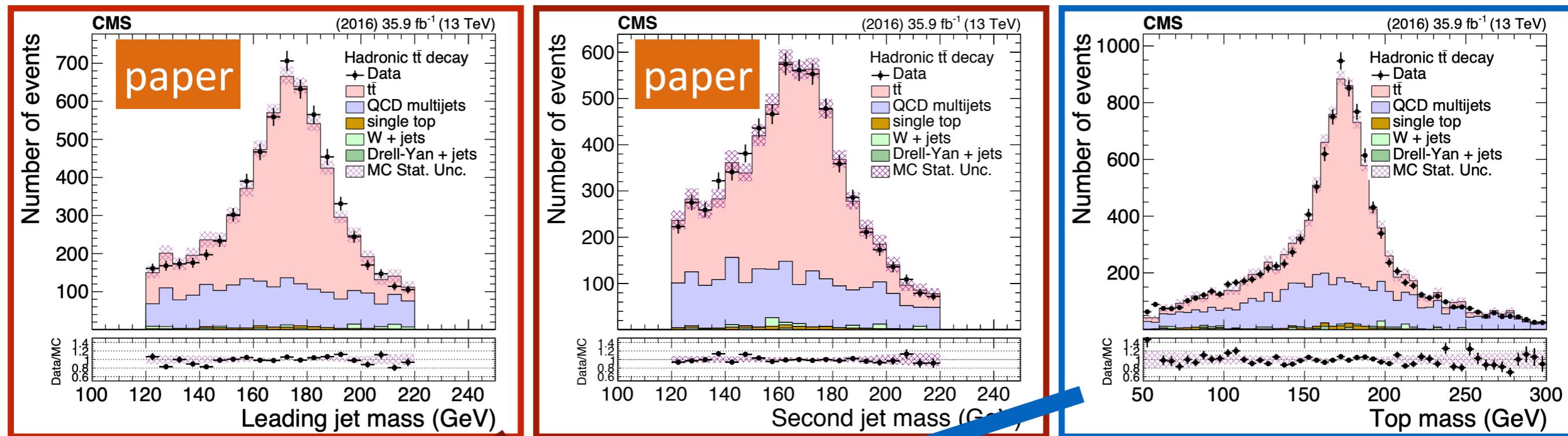


Table 2: Selection requirements per analysis region (hadronic channel).

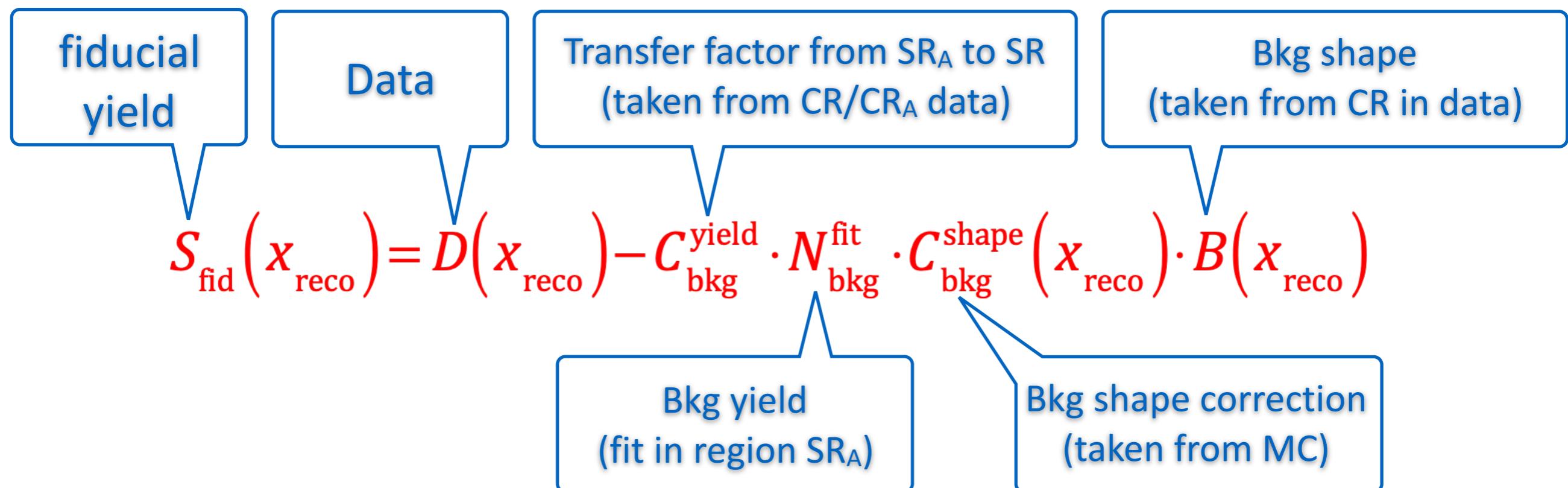
Region	Trigger	Offline Requirements
SR	signal	Base + $NN > 0.8 + \text{subjet b tag} + m_{SD}^{1,2} \in (120, 220) \text{ GeV}$
$SR_A$	signal	Base + $NN > 0.8 + \text{subjet b tag}$
$SR_B$	signal	Base + $\text{subjet b tag} + m_{SD}^{1,2} \in (120, 220) \text{ GeV}$
CR	control	Base + $NN > 0.8 + \text{no subjet b tag} + m_{SD}^{1,2} \in (120, 220) \text{ GeV}$
$CR_A$	control	Base + $NN > 0.8 + \text{no subjet b tag}$



# Analysis regions



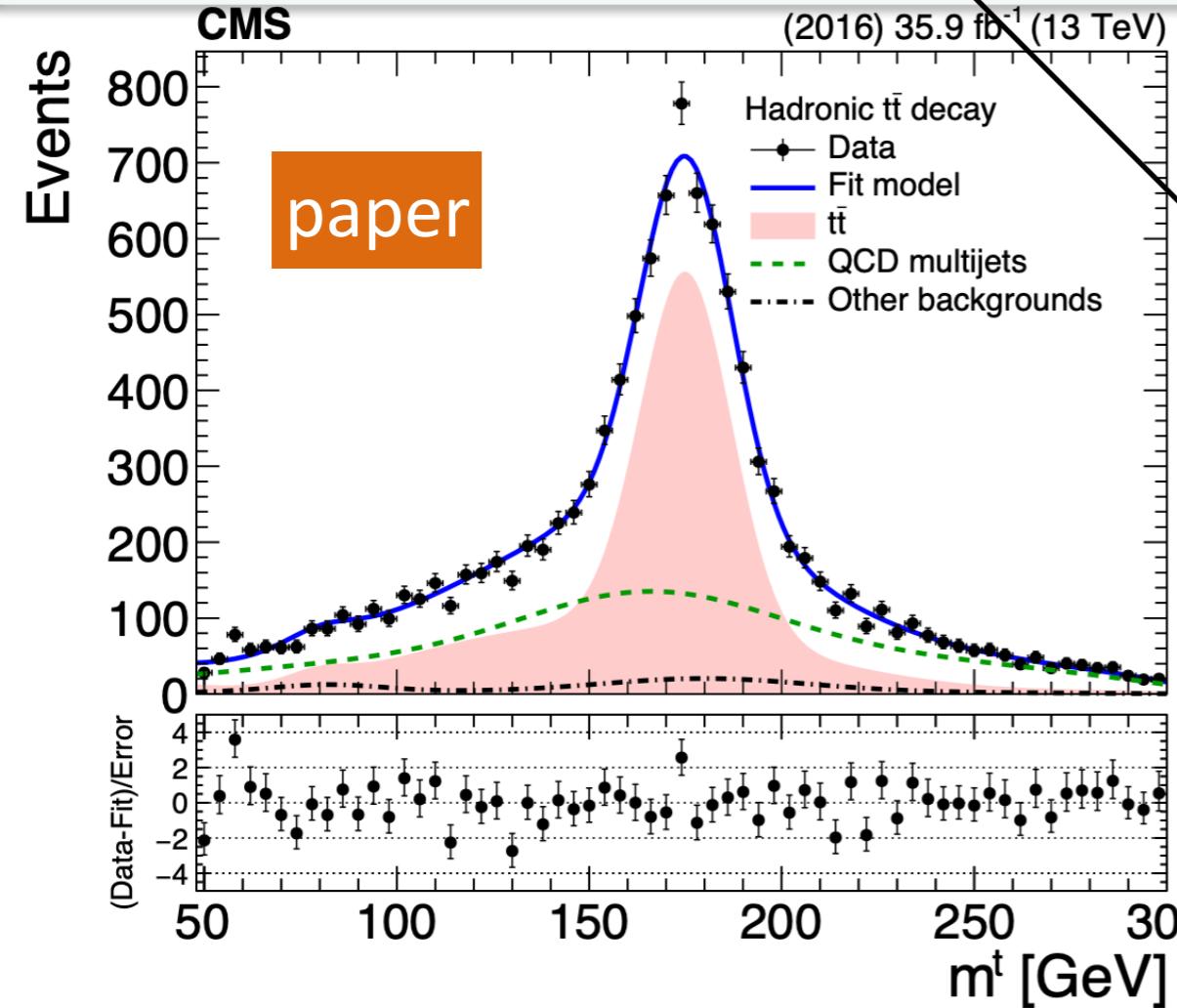
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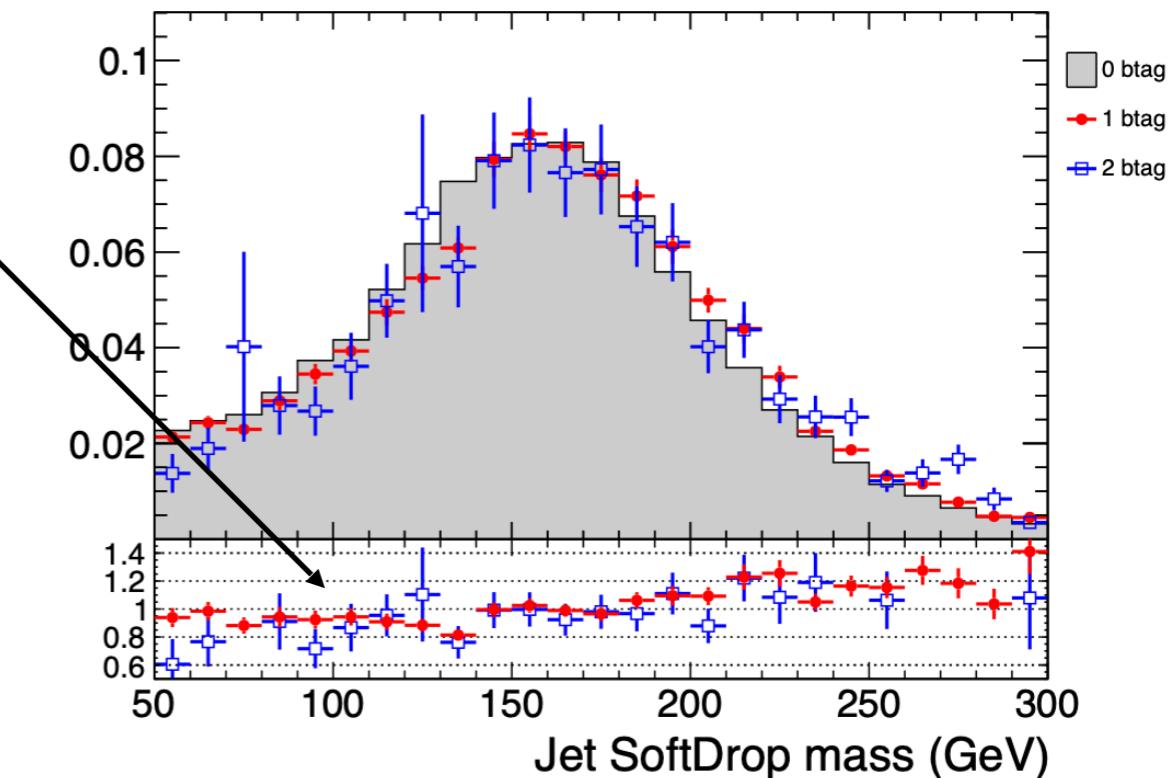


# Fit in SR<sub>A</sub>

$$D(m^t) = N_{t\bar{t}} T(m^t; k_{\text{scale}}, k_{\text{res}}) + N_{\text{qcd}}(1 + k_{\text{slope}} m^t) Q(m^t) + N_{\text{bkg}} B(m^t)$$



MC QCD closure



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Process	SR <sub>A</sub> (pre-fit)	SR <sub>A</sub> (post-fit)	SR (pre-fit)	SR (corrected)
<b>ttbar</b>	9853	<b>6238</b>	6685	<b>4245</b>
QCD	5346	4539	2248	1876
single top	215	215	83	83
VJets	185	185	71	71
Data	11145		6274	

Parameter	Value
$k_{\text{res}}$	$0.960 \pm 0.026$
$k_{\text{scale}}$	$1.002 \pm 0.002$
$k_{\text{slope}}$	$(5.7 \pm 1.4) \times 10^{-3}$
$N_{\text{bkg}}$	$400 \pm 255$
$N_{\text{QCD}}$	$4539 \pm 247$
$N_{t\bar{t}}$	$6238 \pm 181$

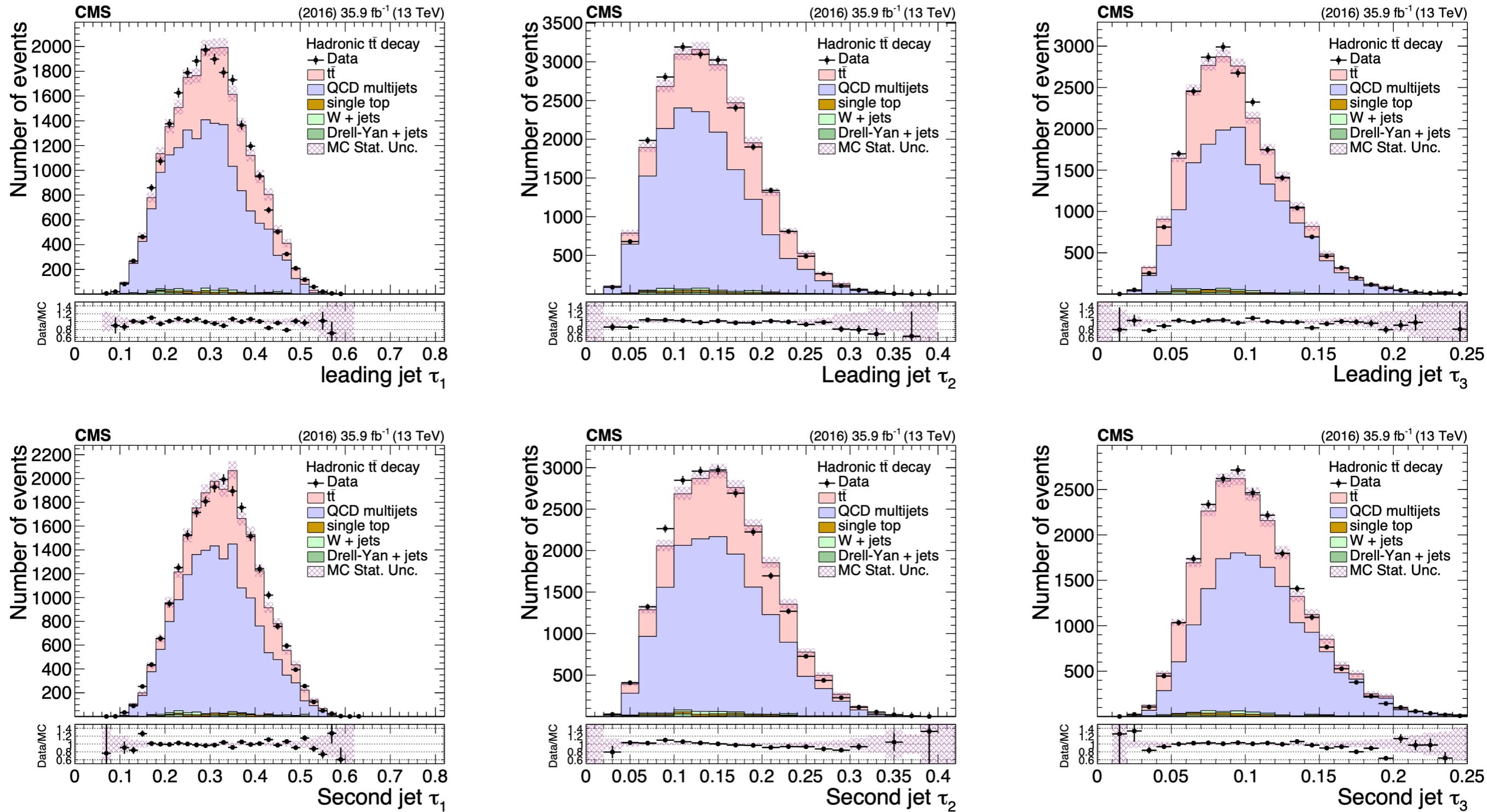
Process	Yield
$t\bar{t}$	$4244 \pm 127$
Multijet	$1876 \pm 102$
W+jets	$58 \pm 29$
Z+jets	$12 \pm 6$
Single t	$83 \pm 41$
Total	$6273 \pm 171$
Data	6274

**r<sub>tt</sub> = 0.63**



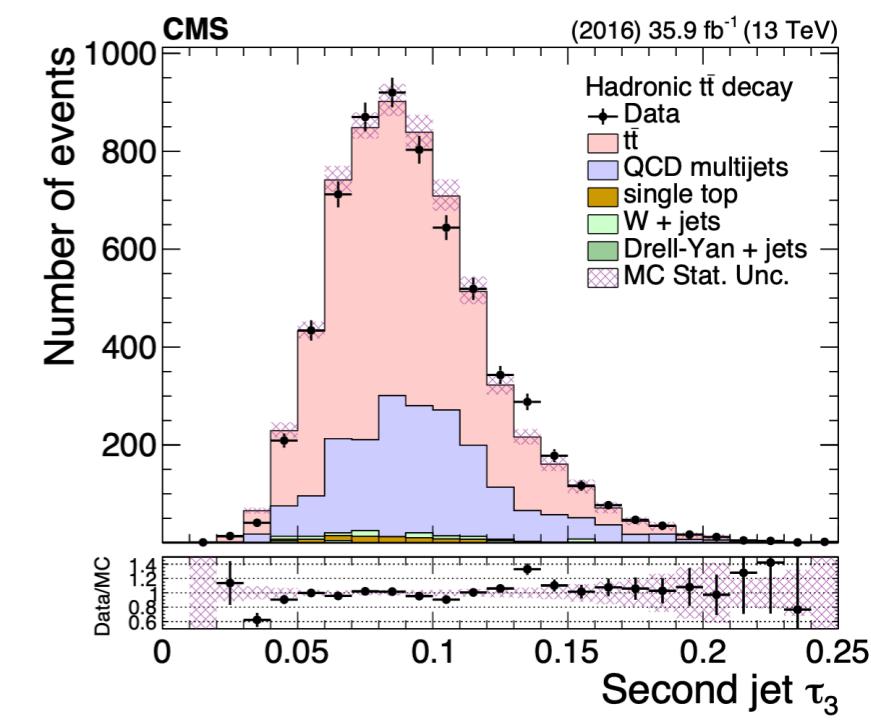
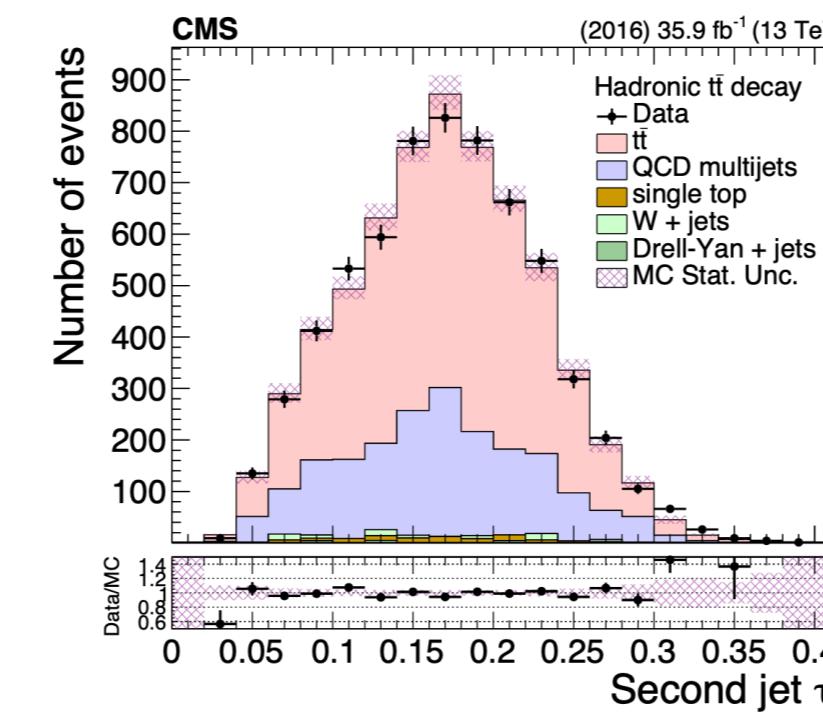
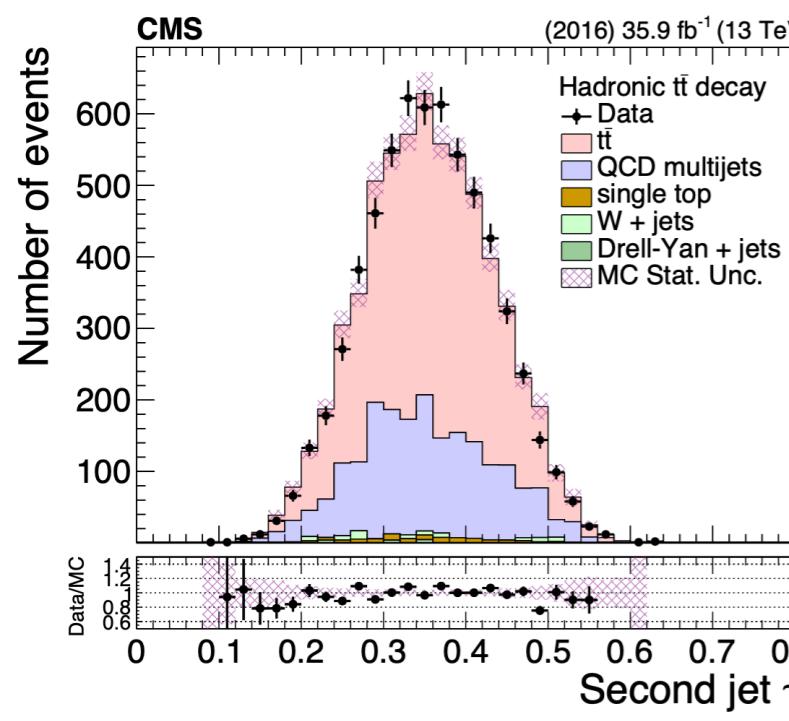
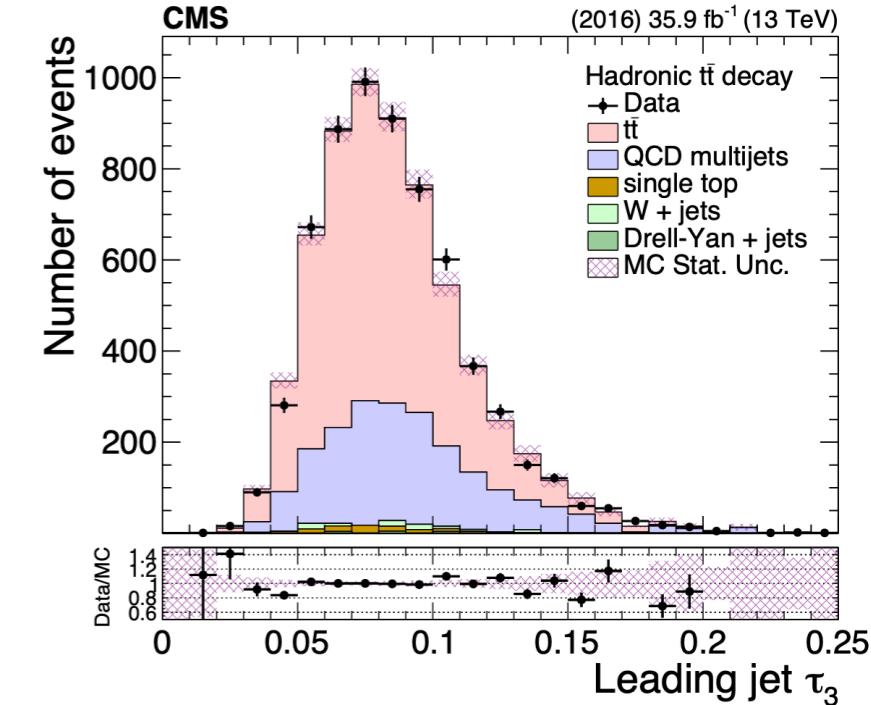
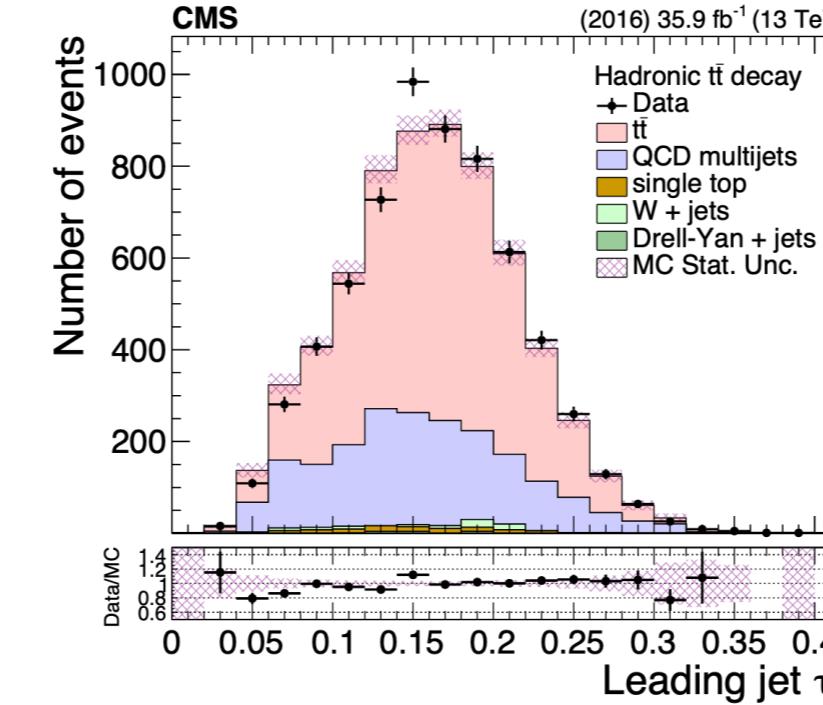
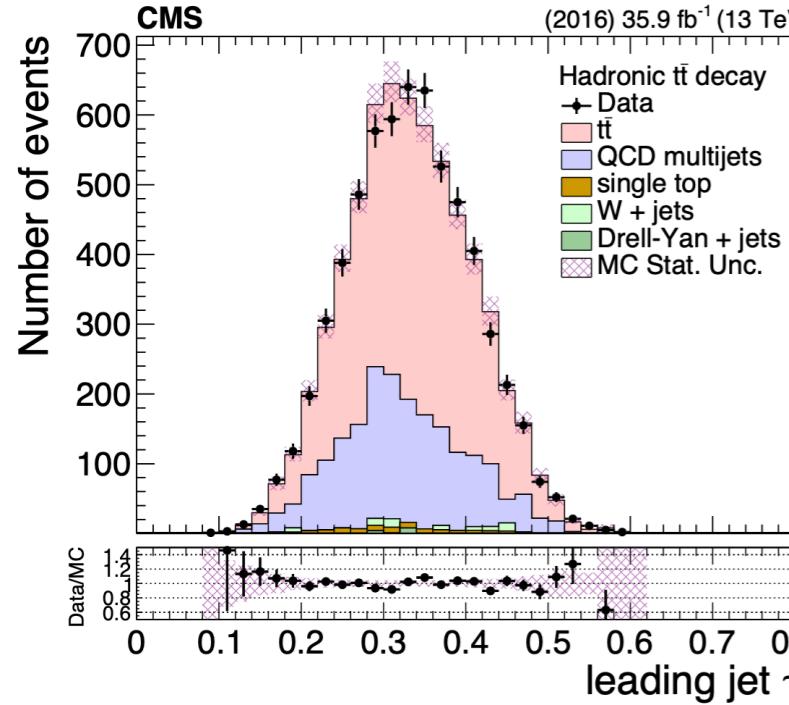


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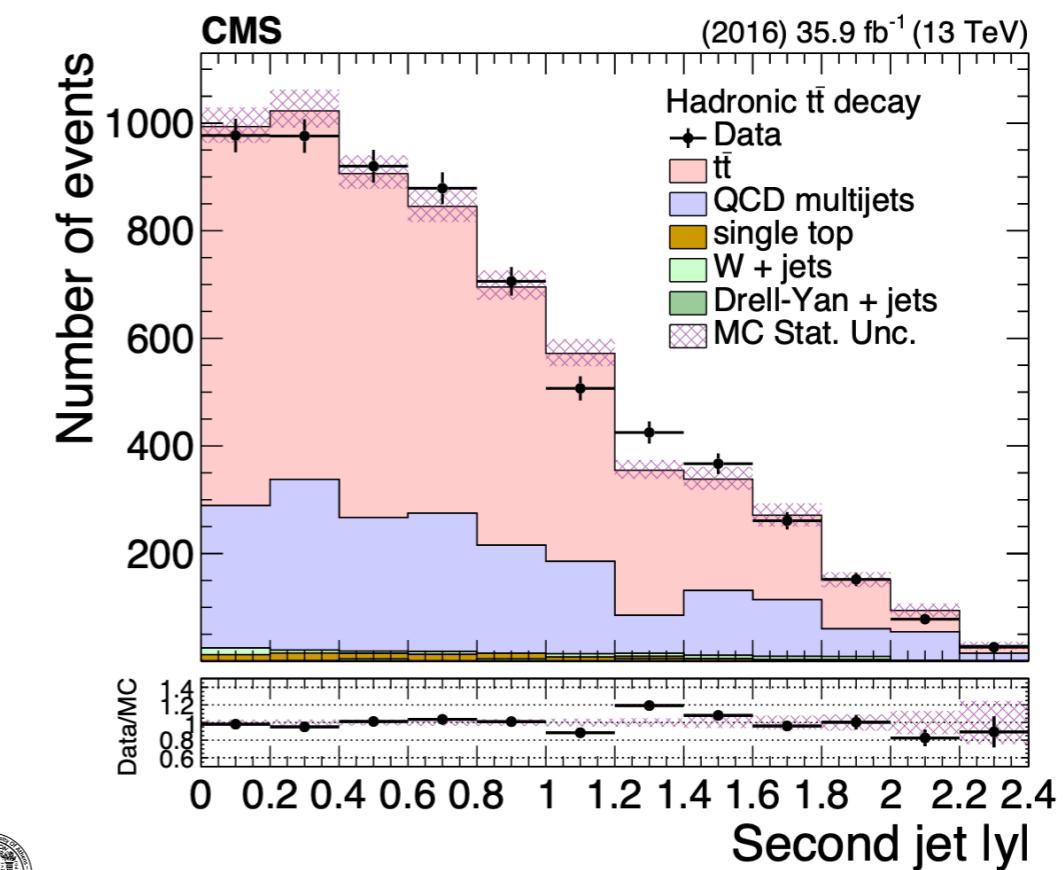
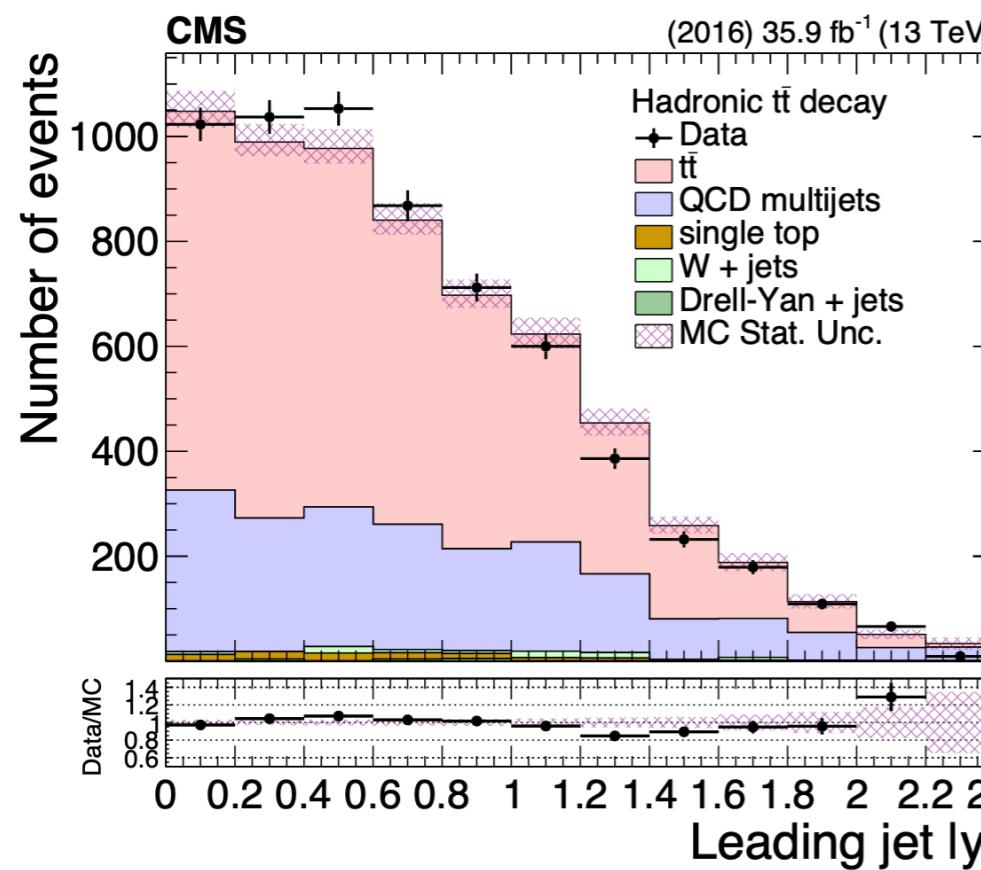
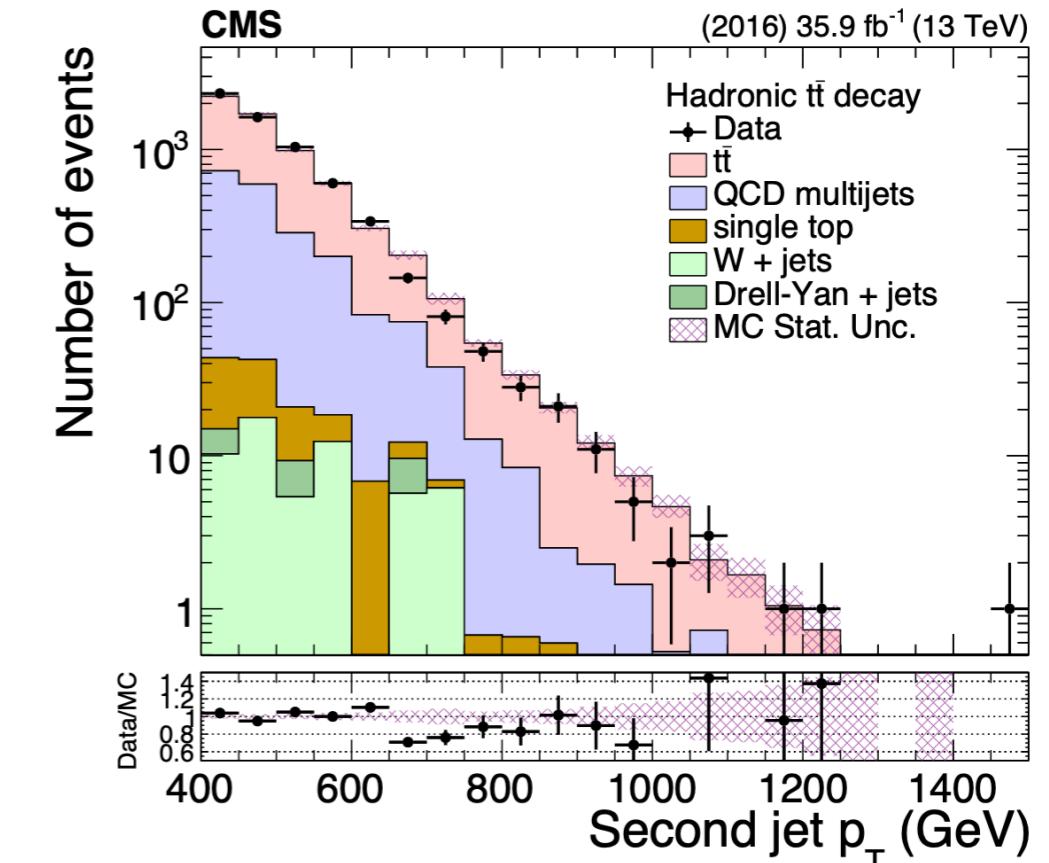
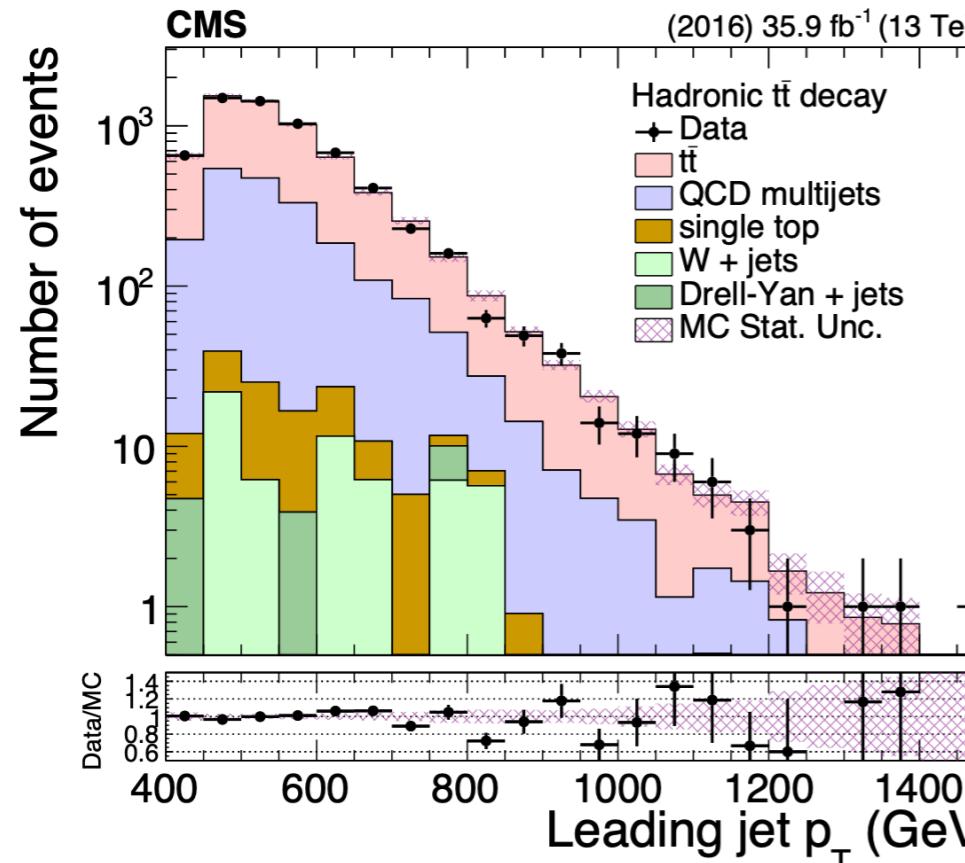


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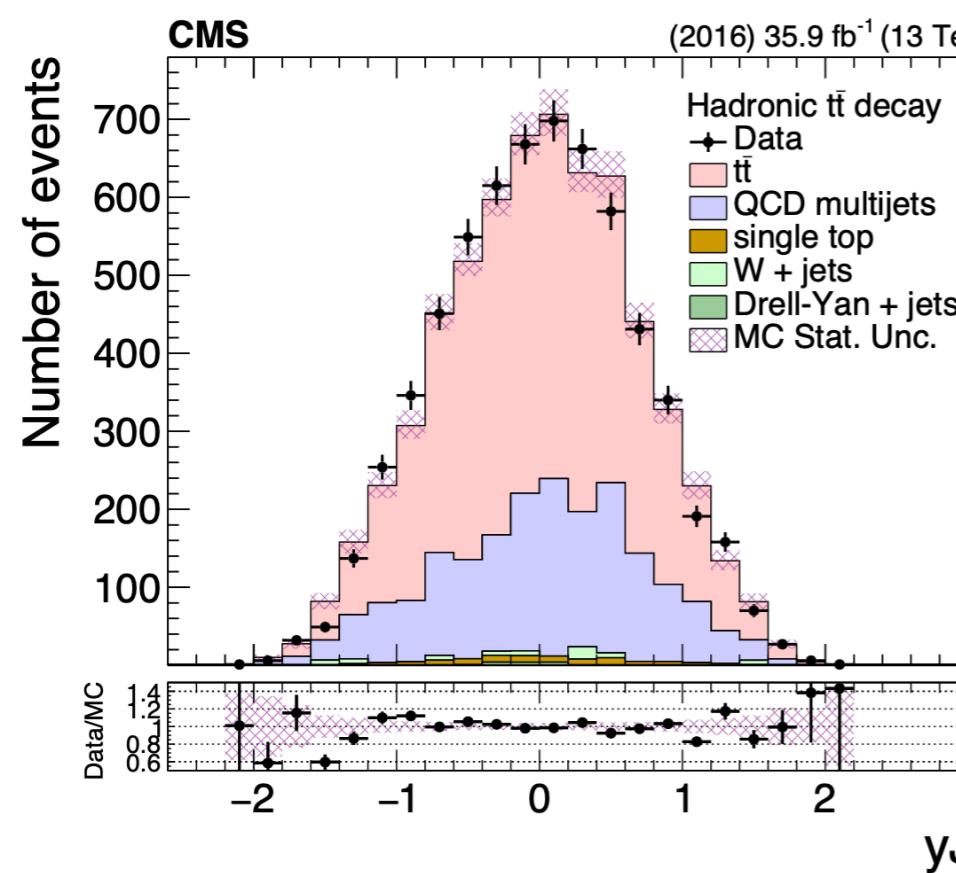
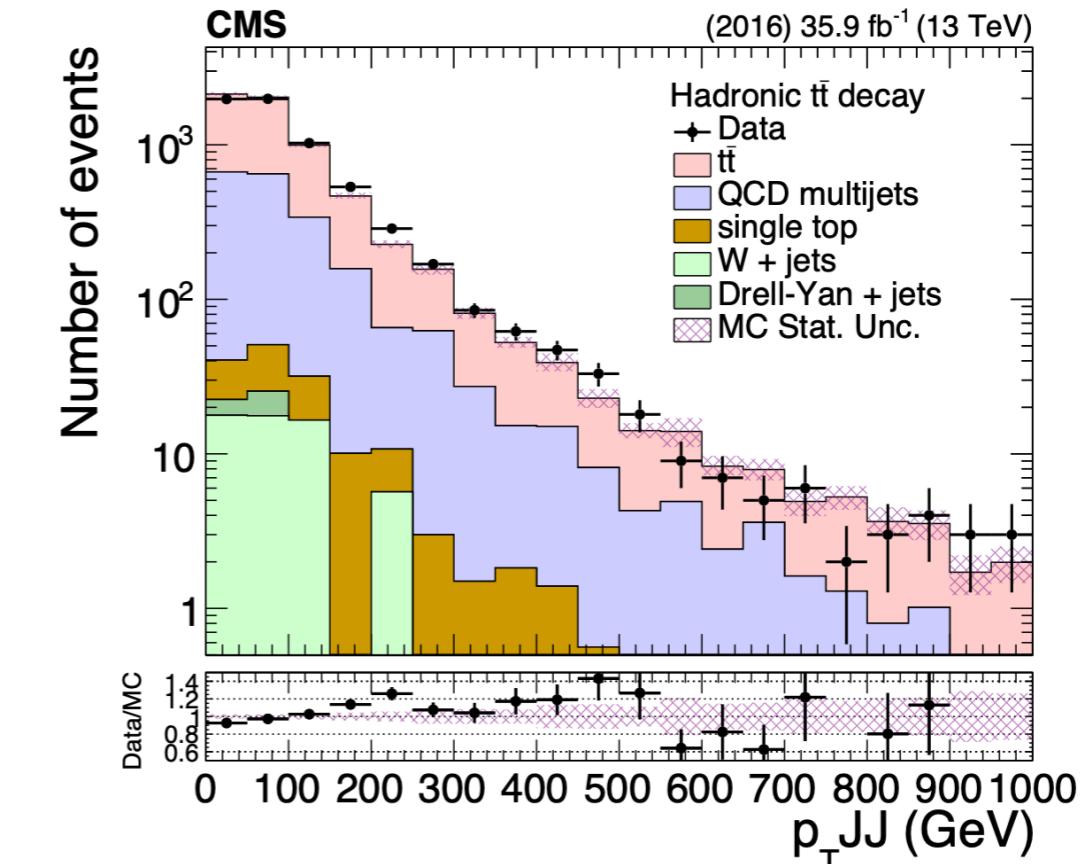
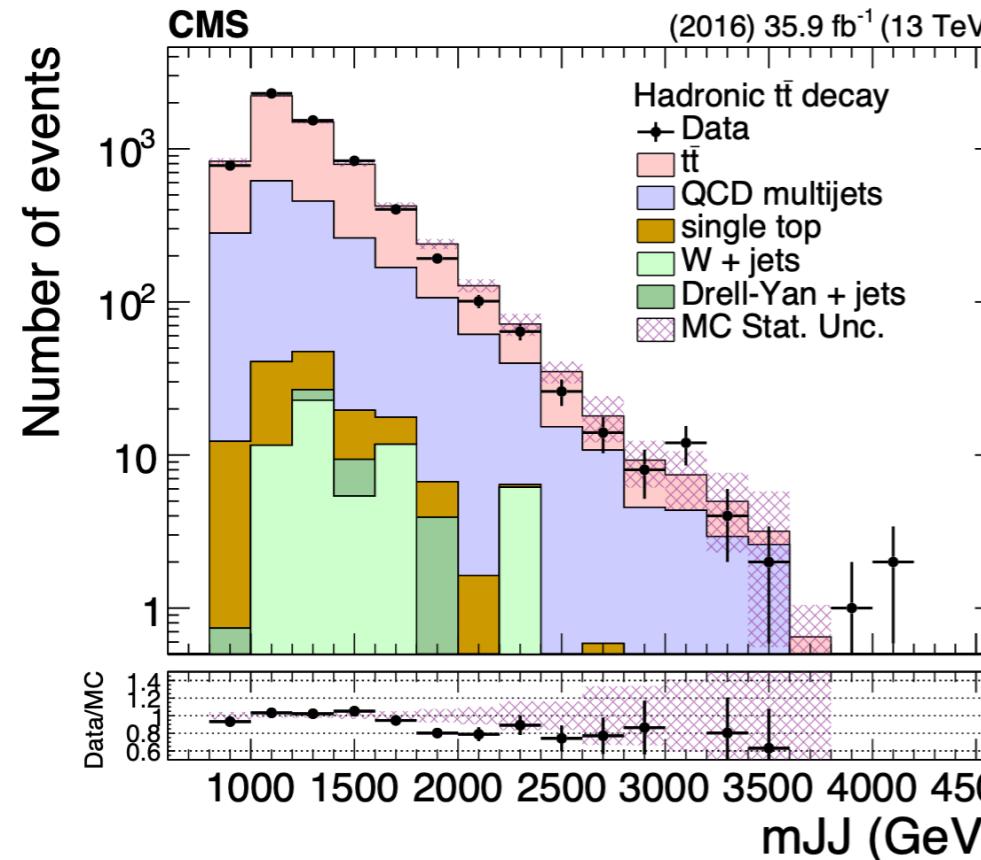




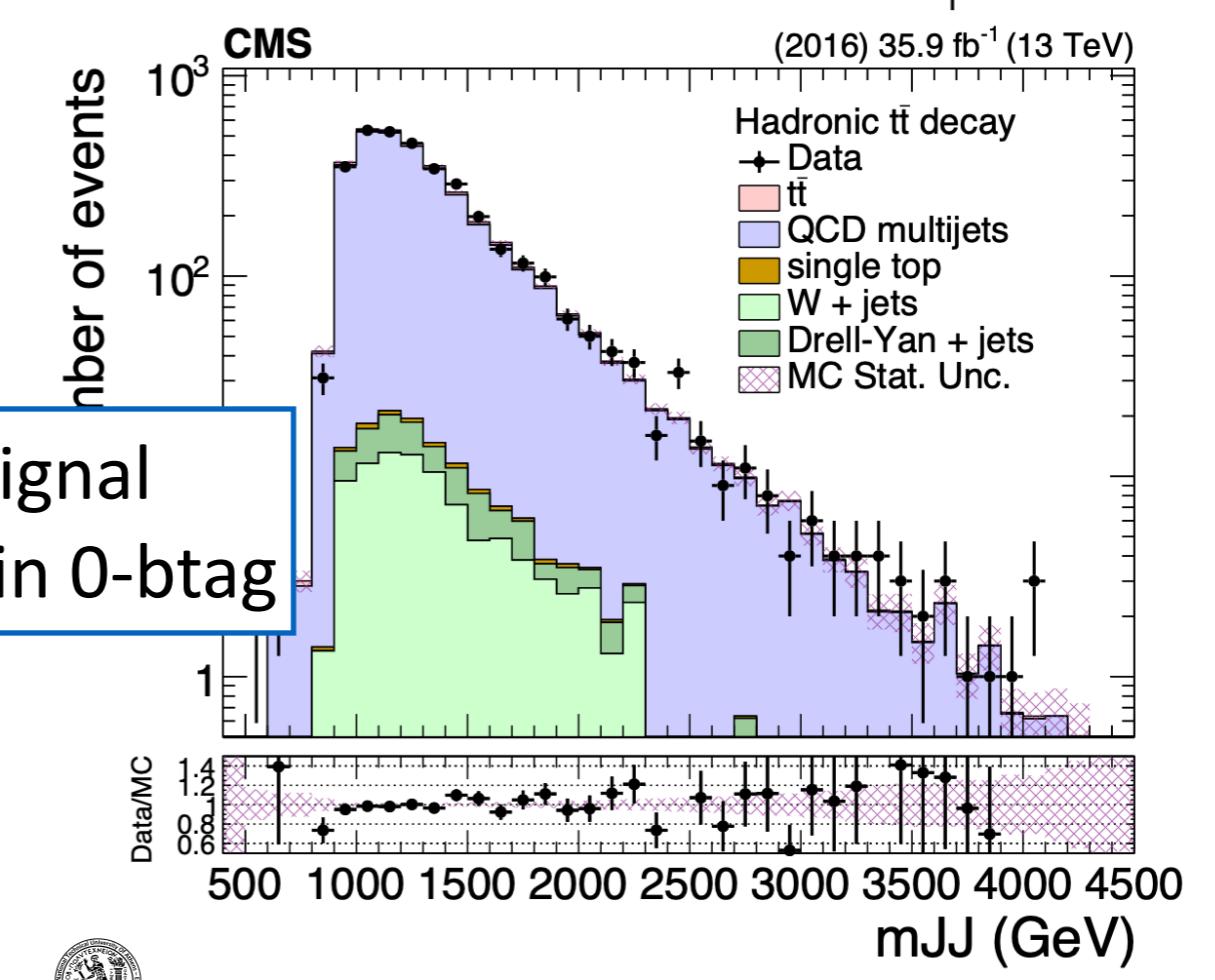
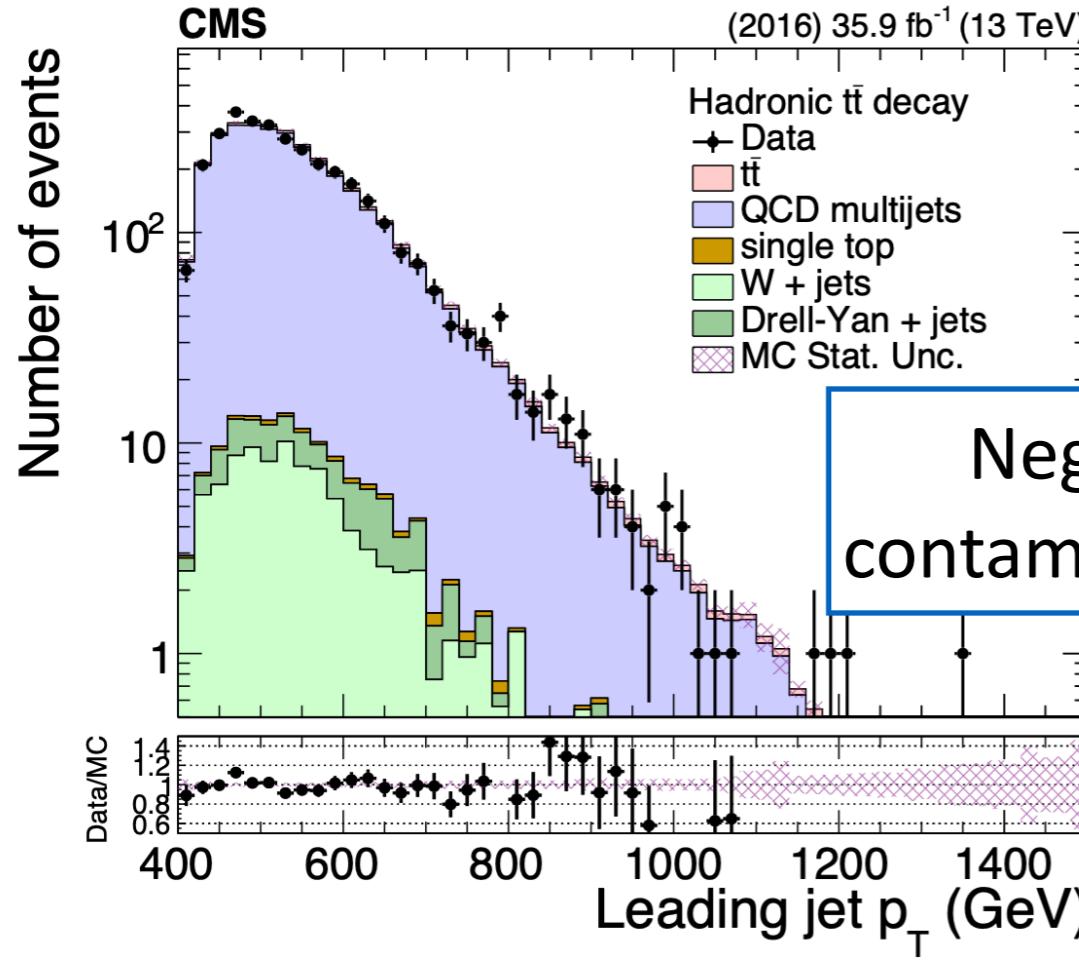
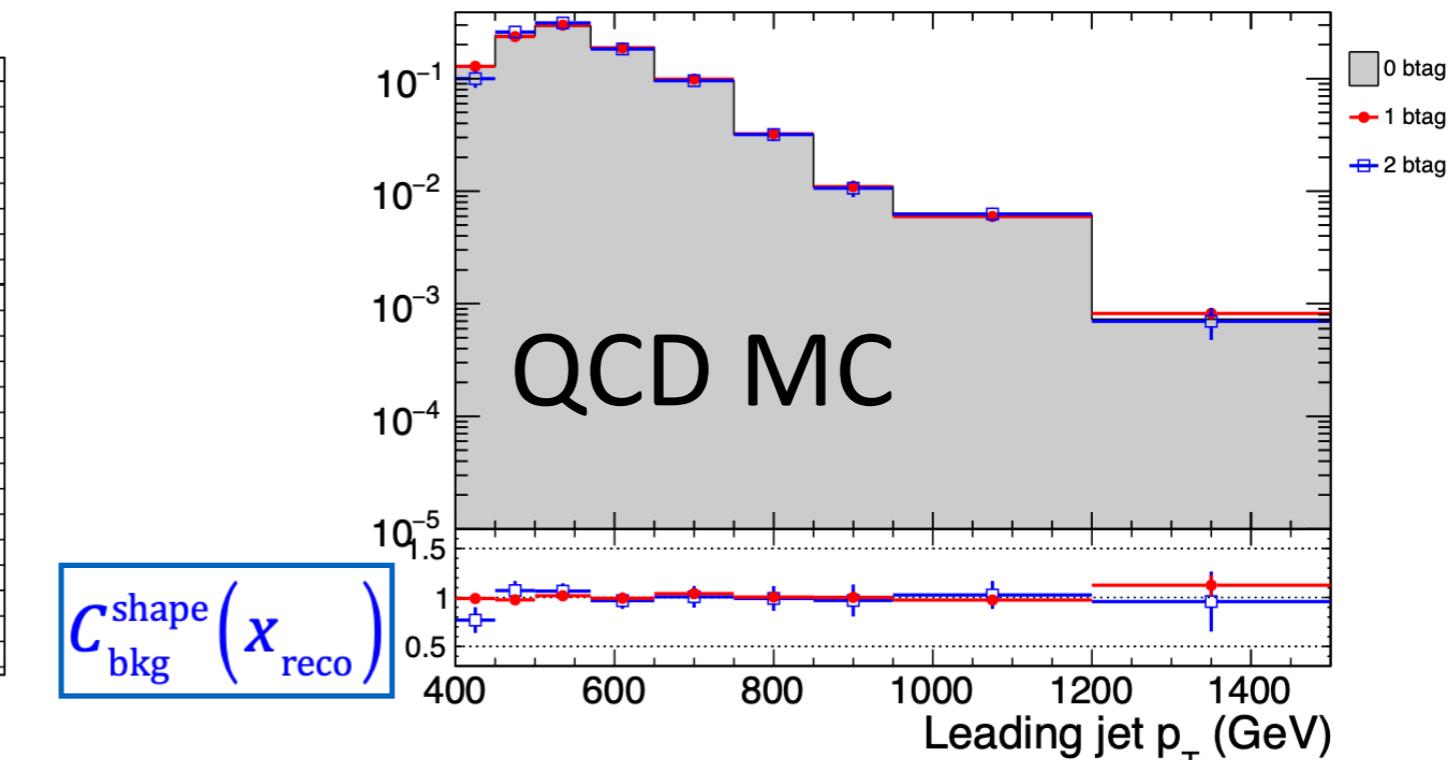
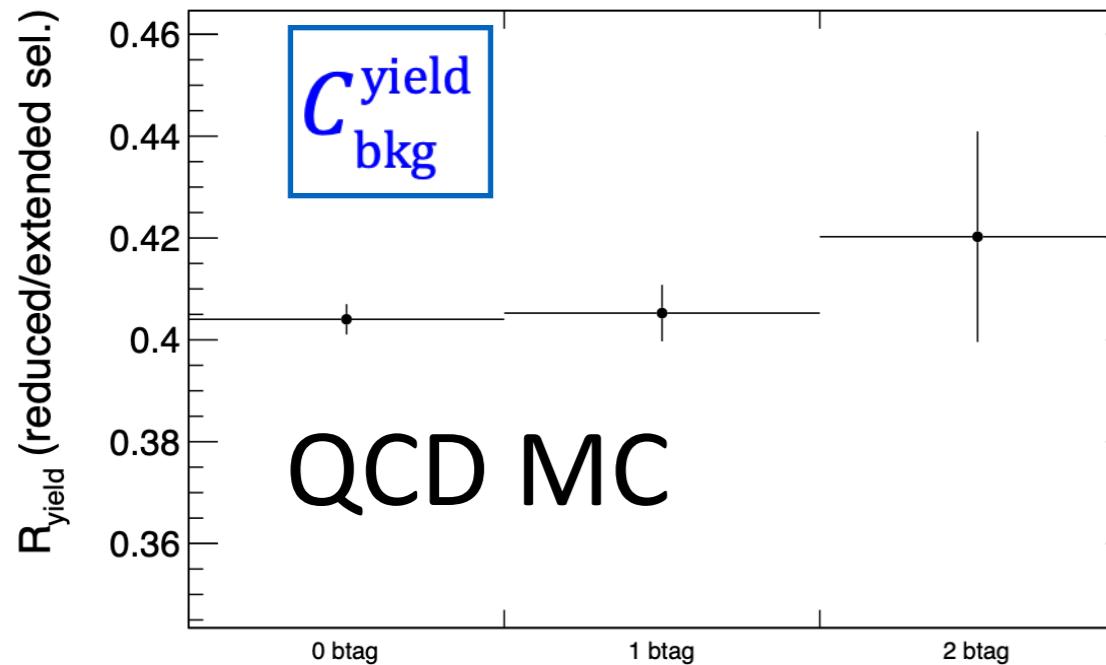
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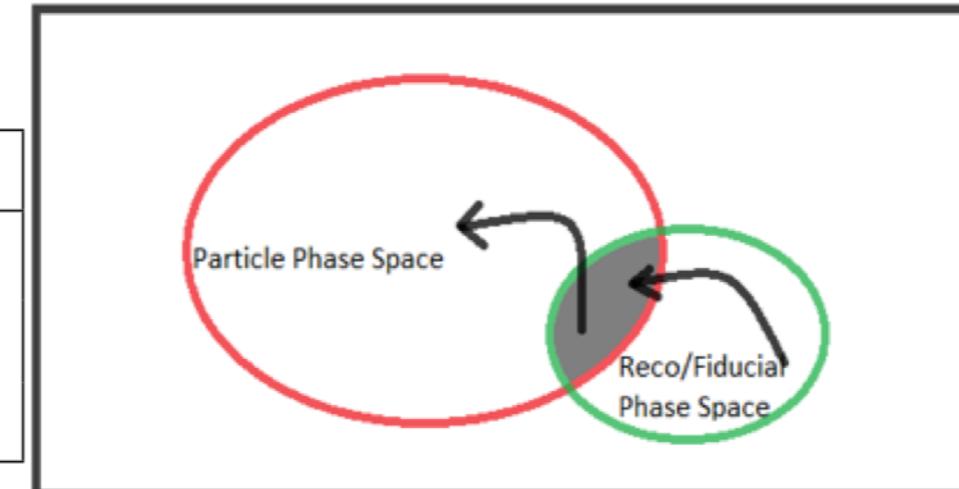
# Validation of the background method



# Parton & Particle levels

## Parton

Observable	Requirement
$p_T^{t,\bar{t}}$	$> 400 \text{ GeV}$
$ \eta^{t,\bar{t}} $	$< 2.4$
$m_{t\bar{t}}$	$> 800 \text{ GeV}$



$$\frac{d\sigma_i^{\text{unf}}}{dx} = \frac{1}{\mathcal{L} \cdot \Delta x_i} \cdot \frac{1}{f_{2,i}} \cdot \sum_j \left( R_{ij}^{-1} \cdot f_{1,j} \cdot S_j \right)$$

efficiency of the reco+true selection

migration matrix

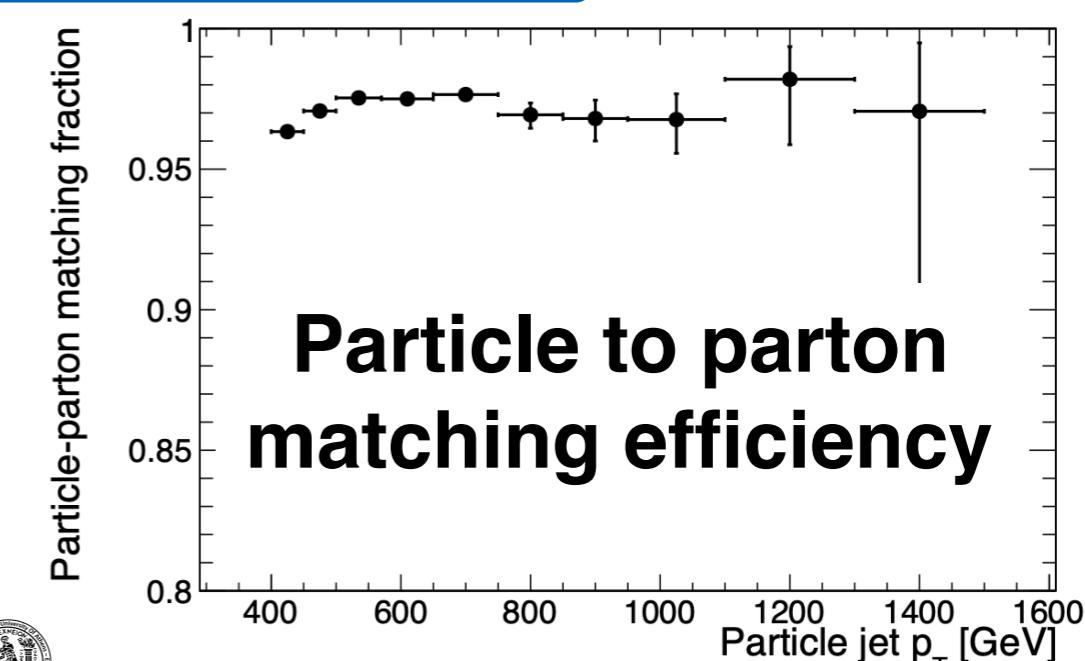
reco efficiency of the reco+true selection

Unfolding: simple response matrix inversion w/o regularisation

## Particle

top candidates: AK8 genjets

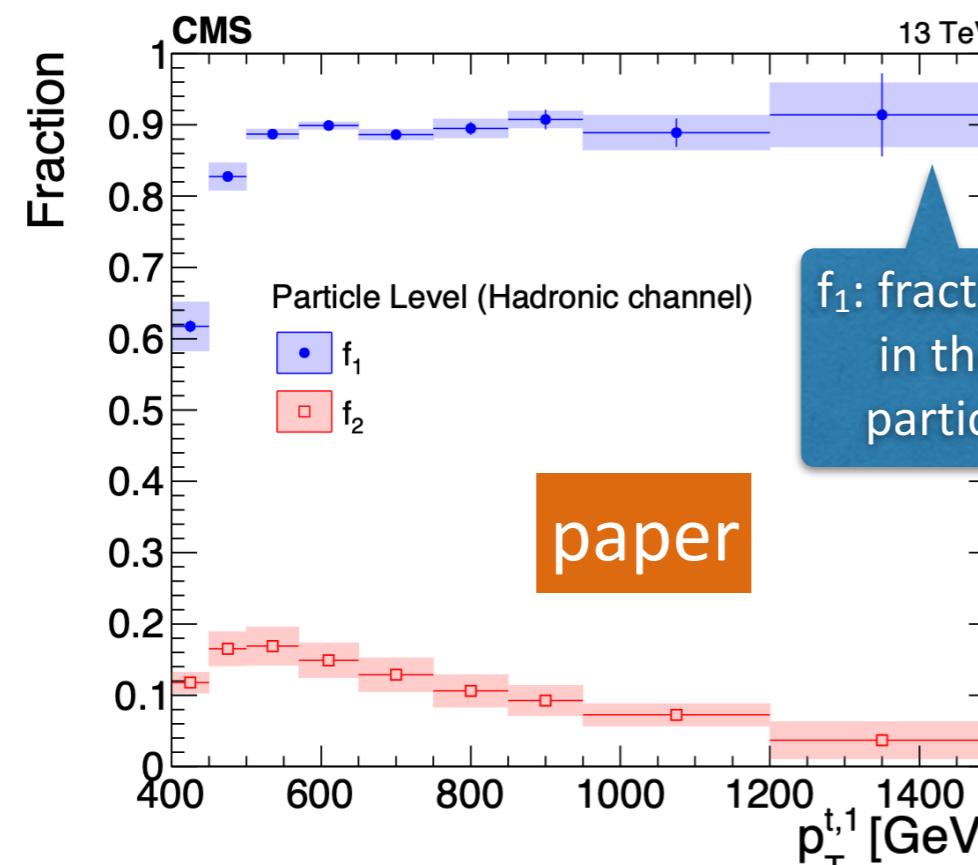
Observable	Requirement
$N_{\text{jets}}$	$> 1$
$p_T^{\text{jet1,2}}$	$> 400 \text{ GeV}$
$ \eta^{\text{jet1,2}} $	$< 2.4$
$m_{SD}^{\text{jet1,2}}$	$(120, 220) \text{ GeV}$
$m_{jj}$	$> 800 \text{ GeV}$



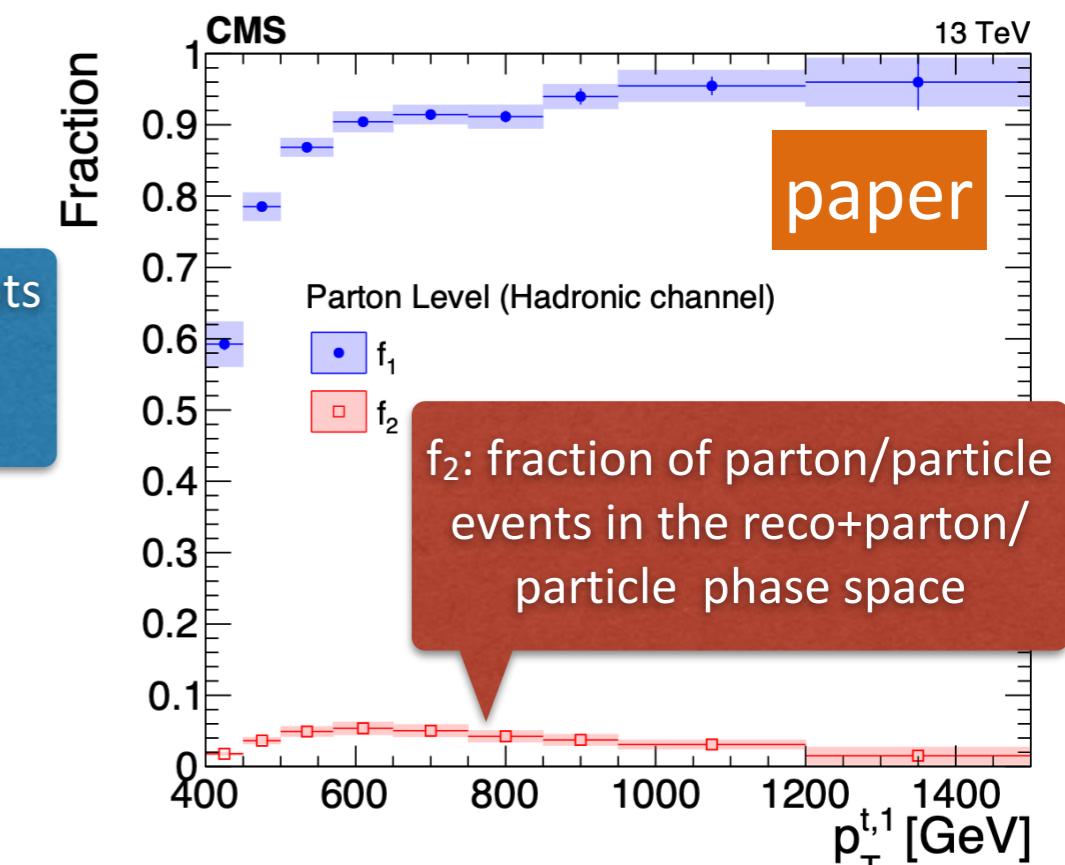
**Particle to parton matching efficiency**



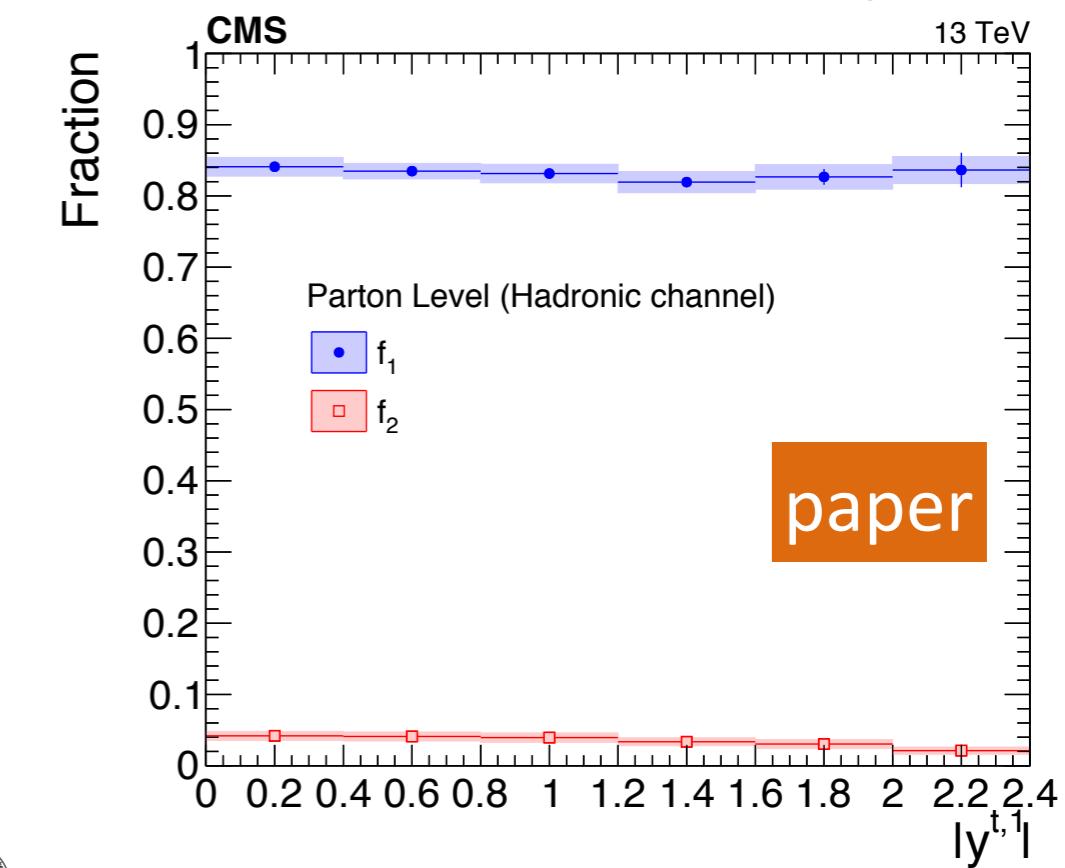
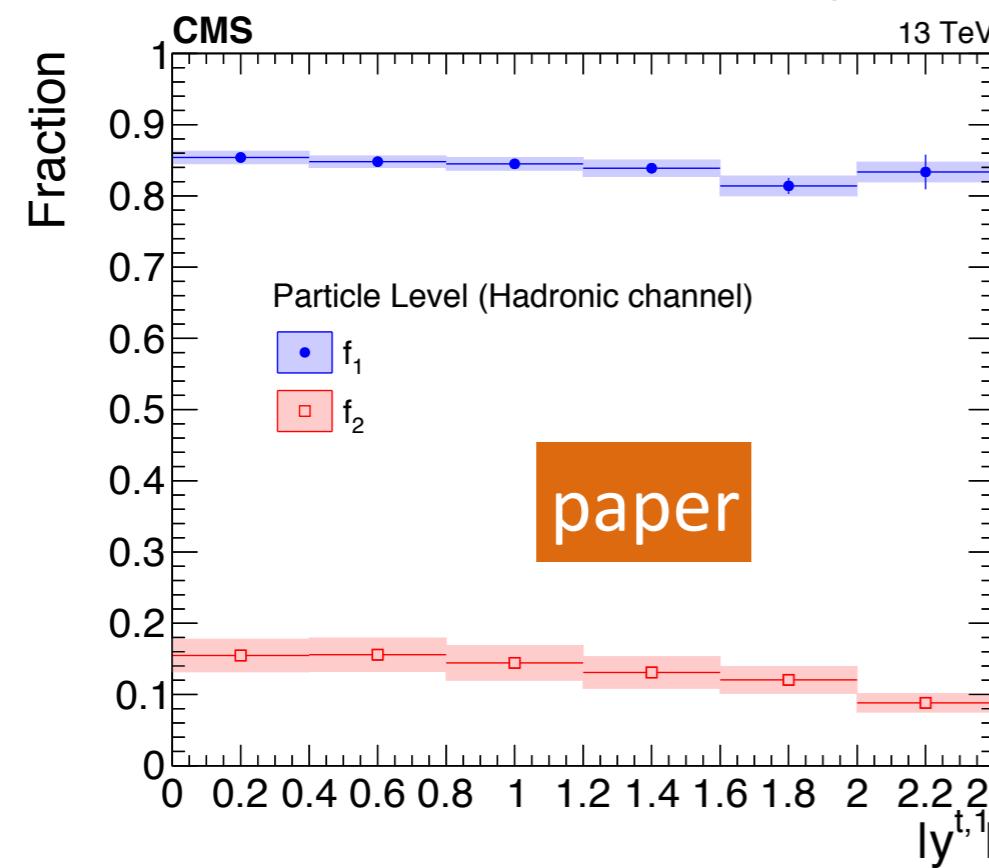
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$f_1$ : fraction of reco events  
in the reco+parton/  
particle phase space

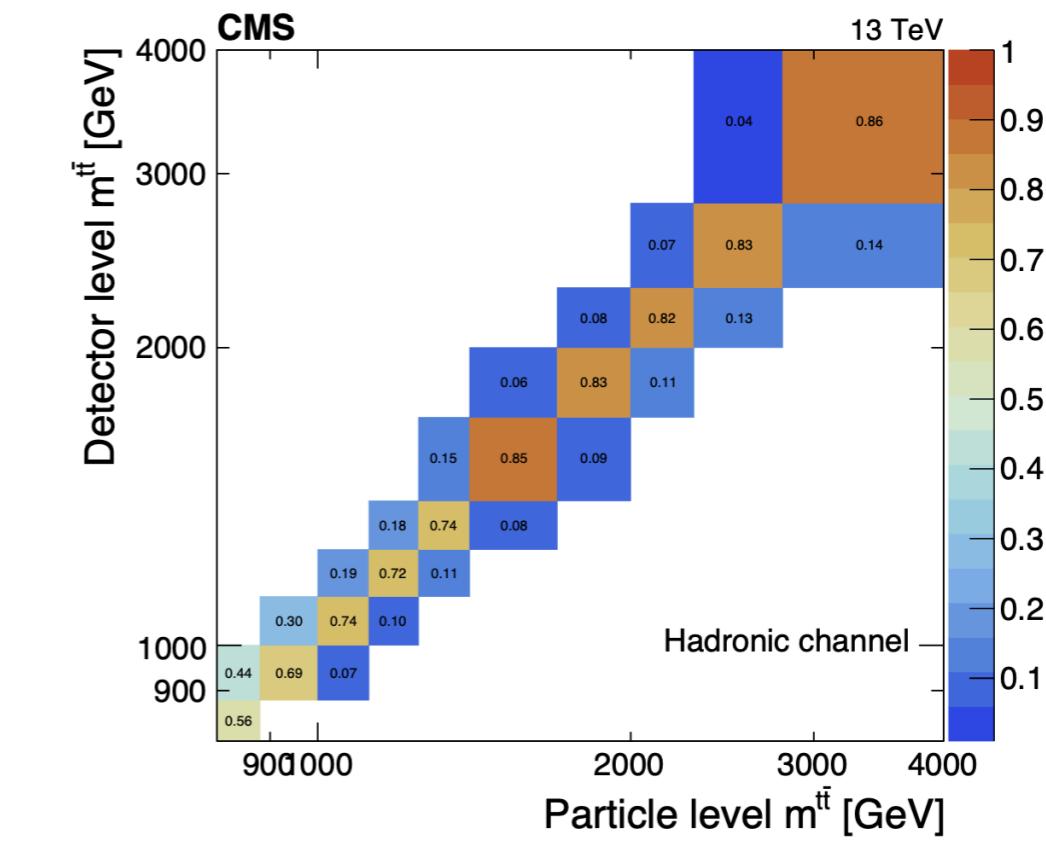
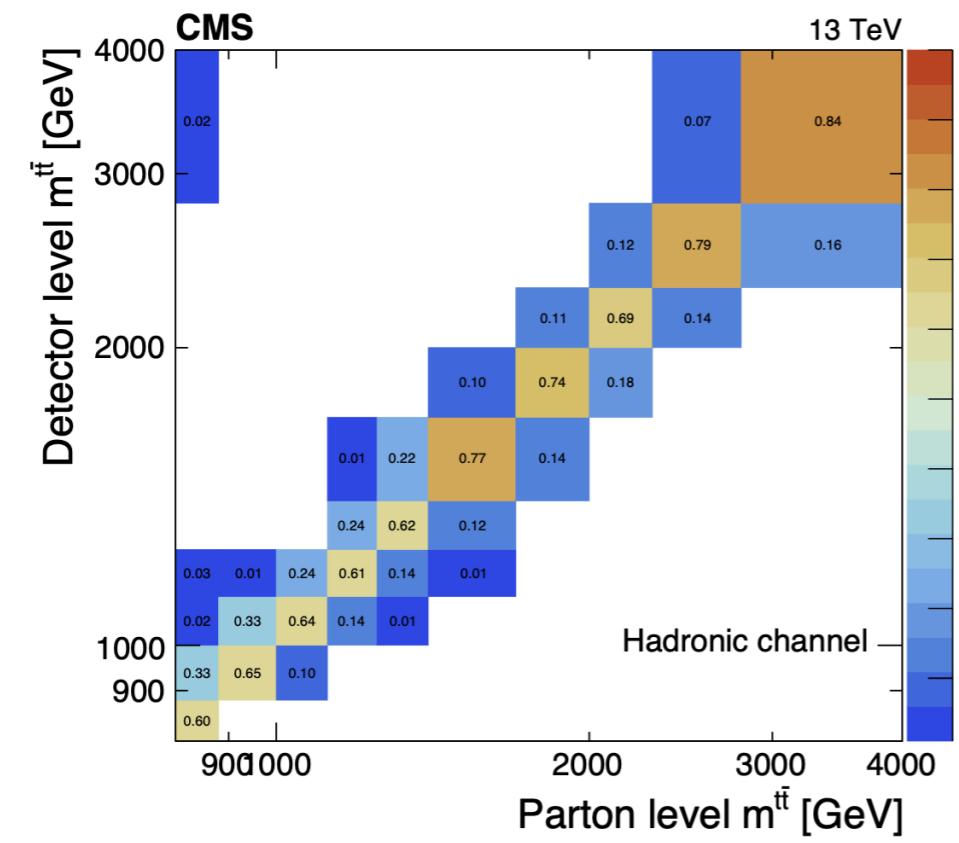
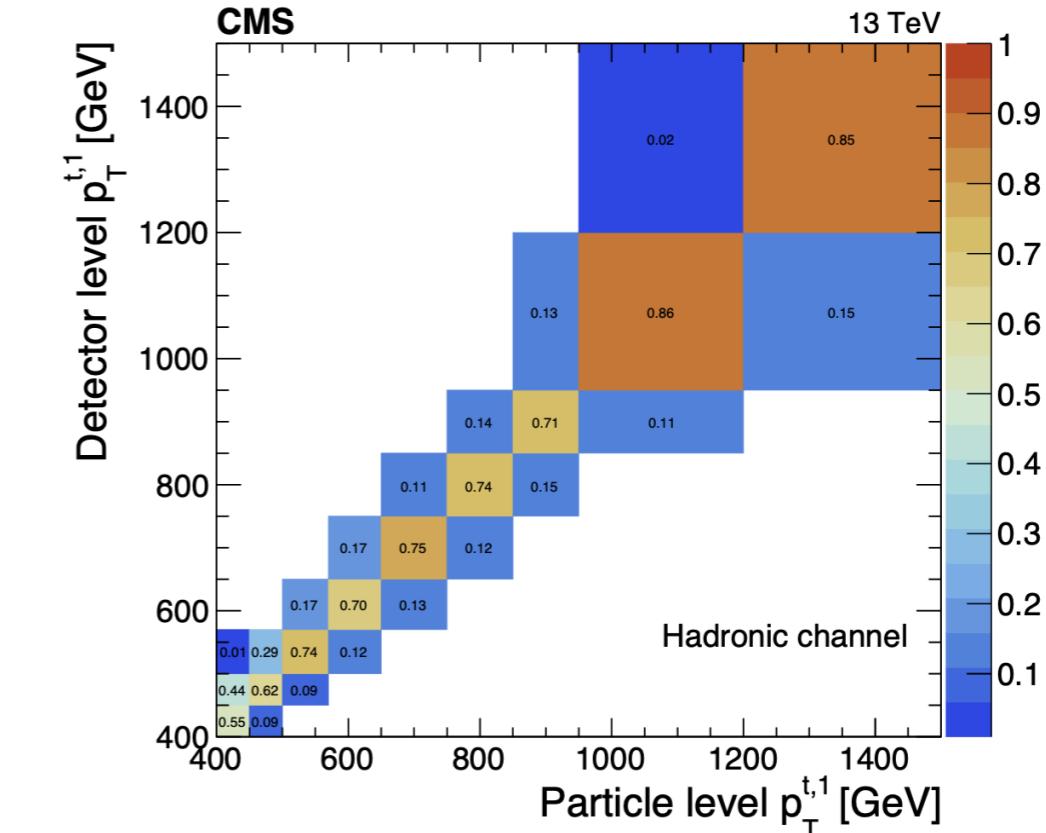
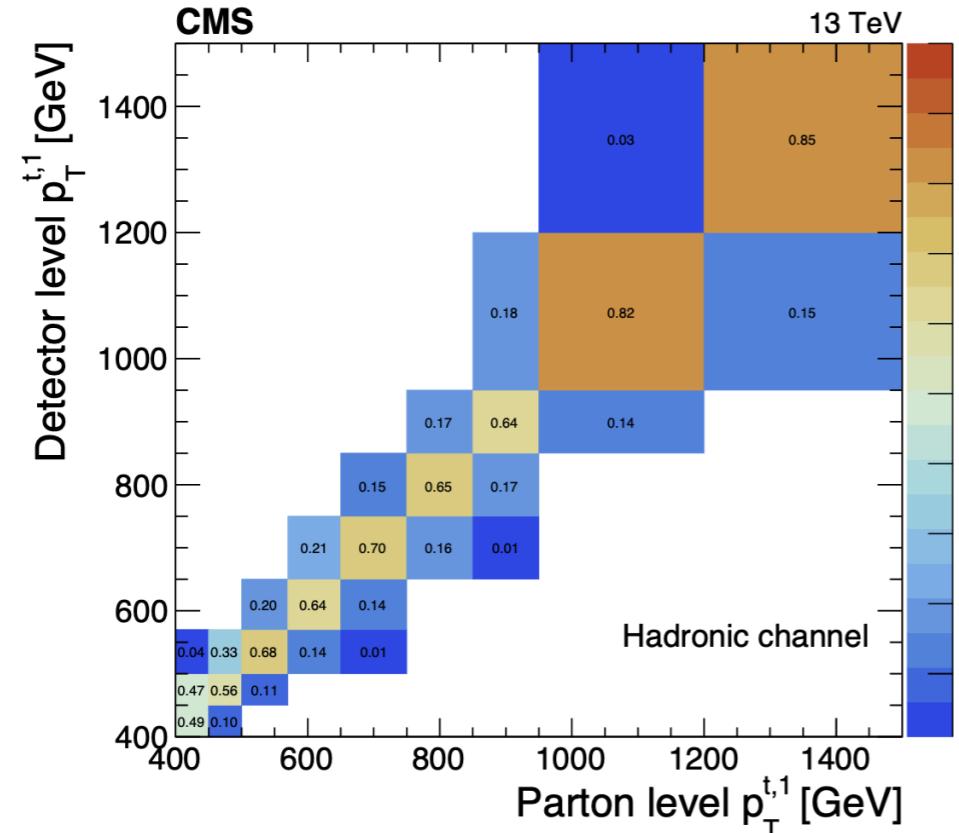


$f_2$ : fraction of parton/particle  
events in the reco+parton/  
particle phase space



# Migration matrices

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# Systematic uncertainties

## Two TYPES:

- Experimental: object performance between data and simulation
- Theoretical: related to the simulation itself(acceptance, efficiency, migration matrix)

## Experimental

- Jet Energy Scale
- Jet Energy Resolution
- Pileup
- Subjet b-tagging efficiency
- QCD bkg prediction
- Trigger
- Luminosity

For every single source of uncertainty we extract the differential cross sections separately and then add in quadrature the difference from the nominal measurement

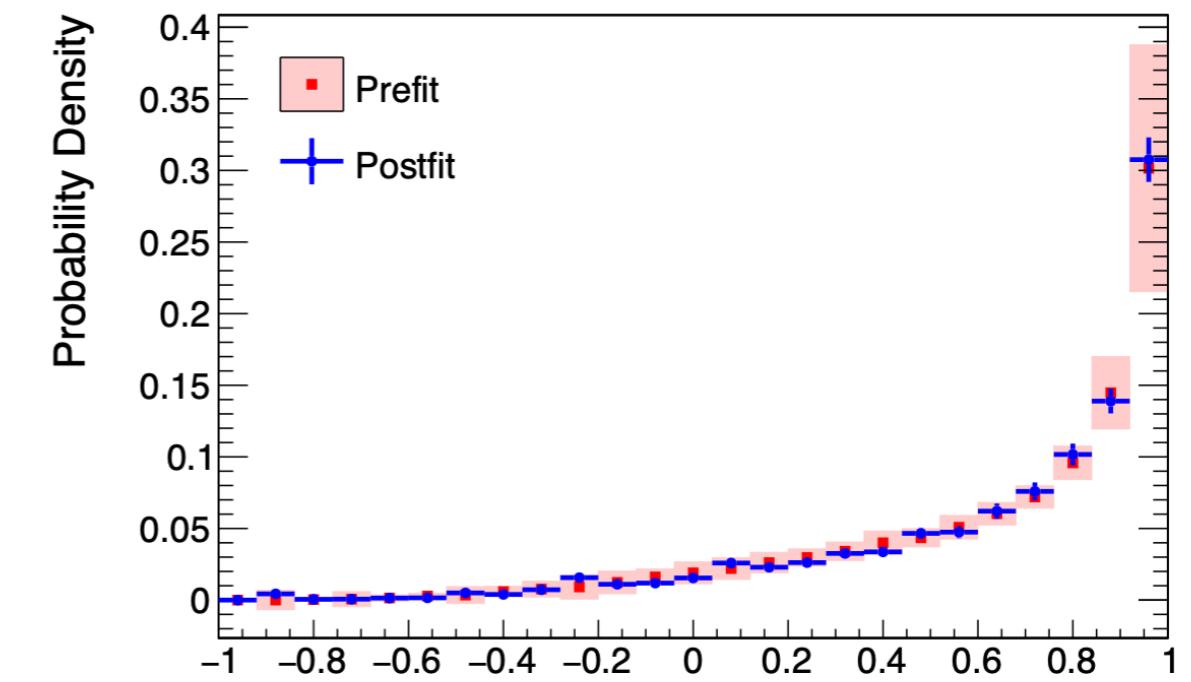
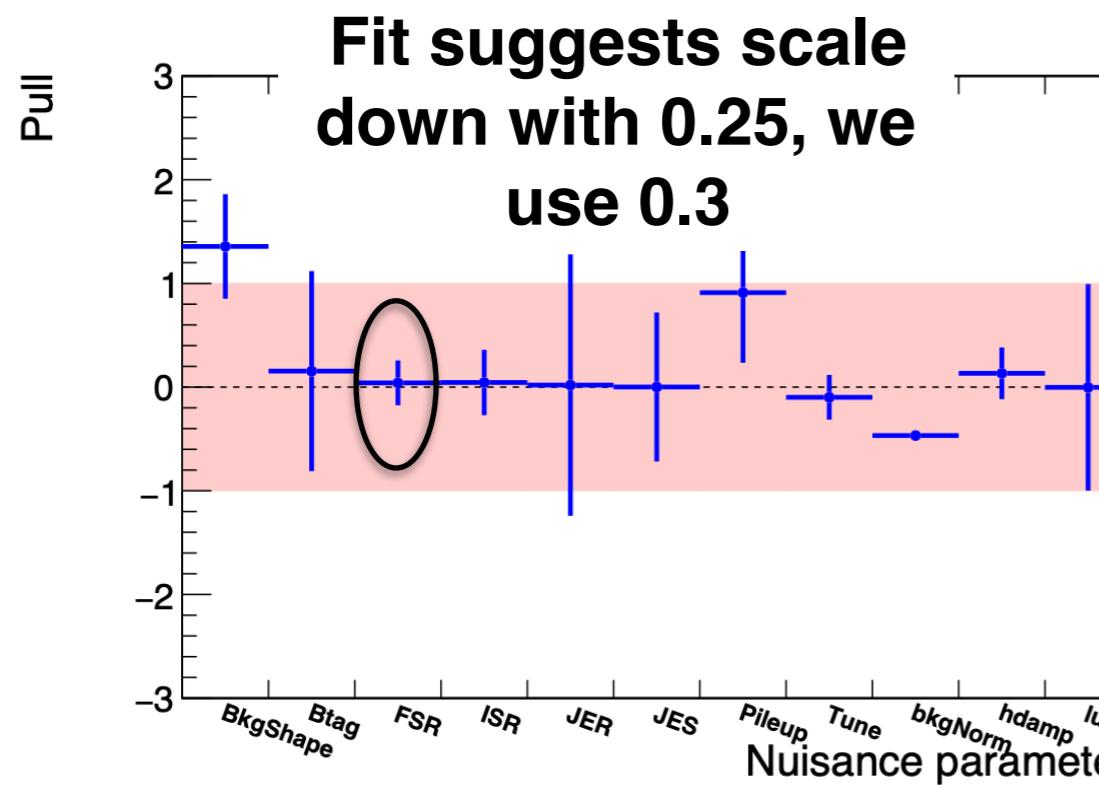
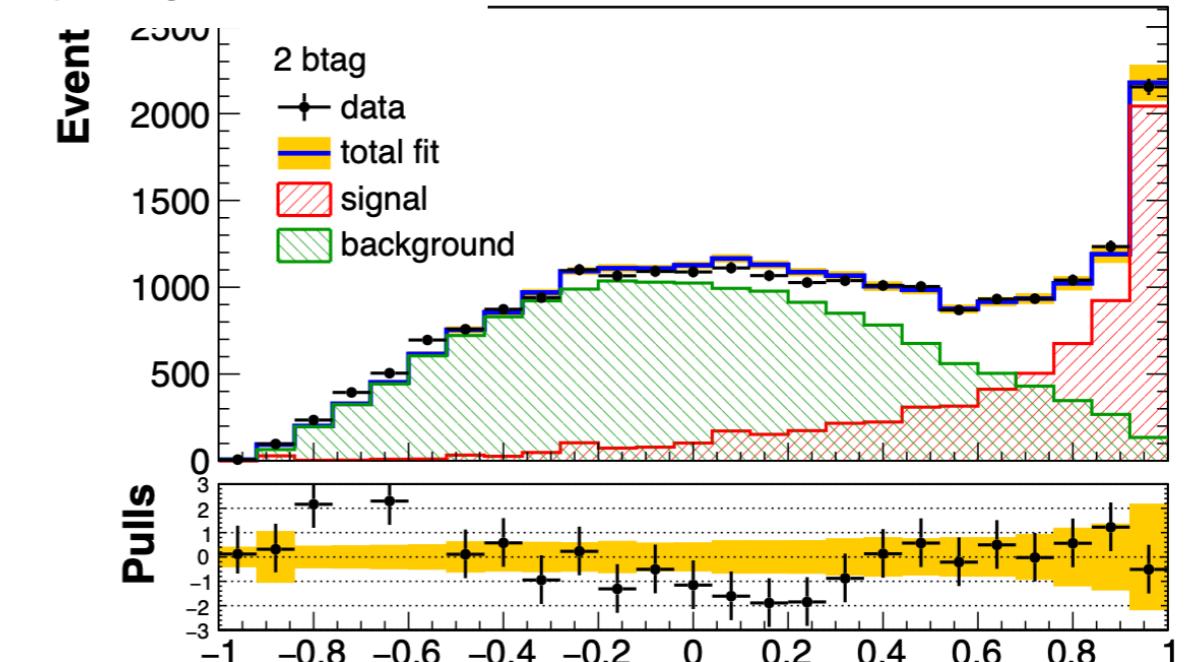
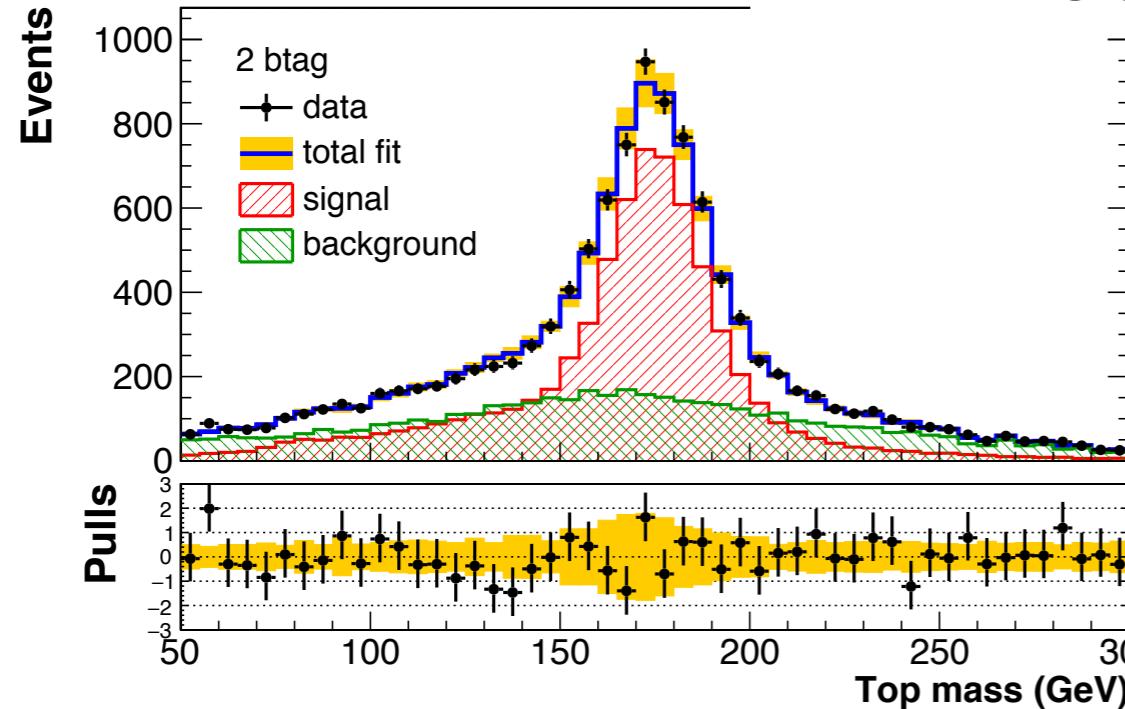
## Theoretical:

- Parton Distribution Functions
- Renormalisation and factorisation scales:
- Strong coupling constant
- Final State Radiation (FSR): in situ constrained
- Initial State Radiation (ISR)
- Matrix Element-Parton showering matching
- Underlying event tune



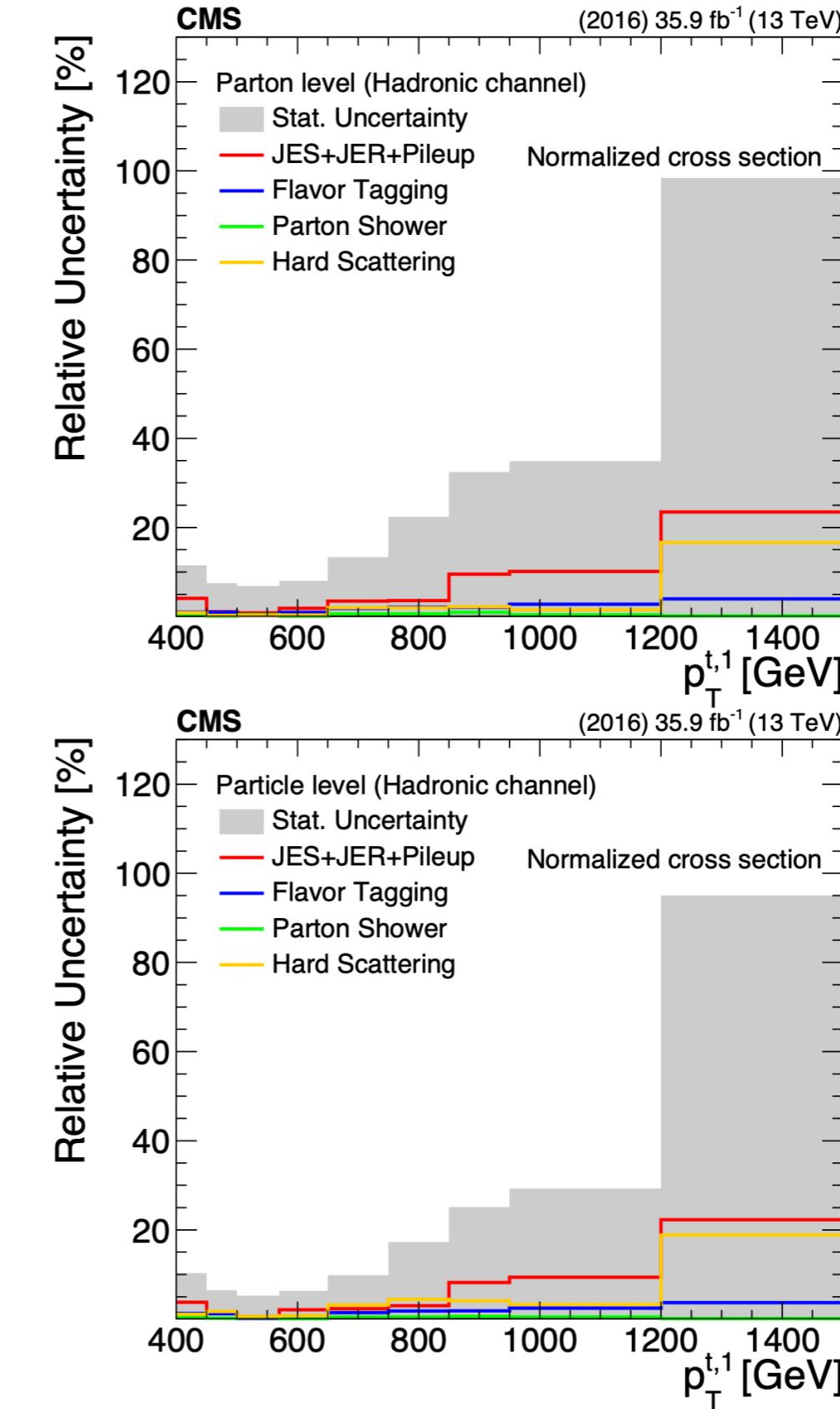
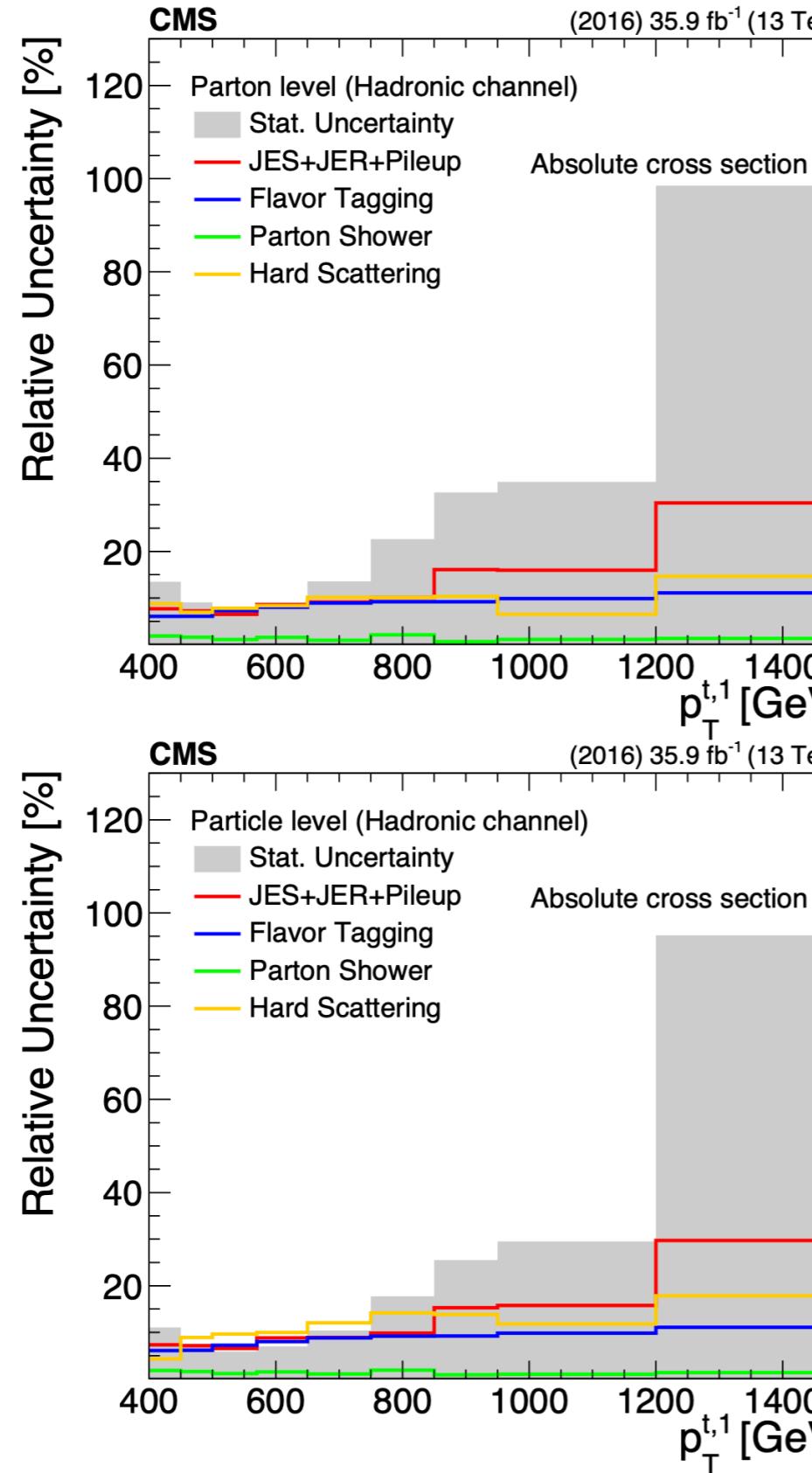
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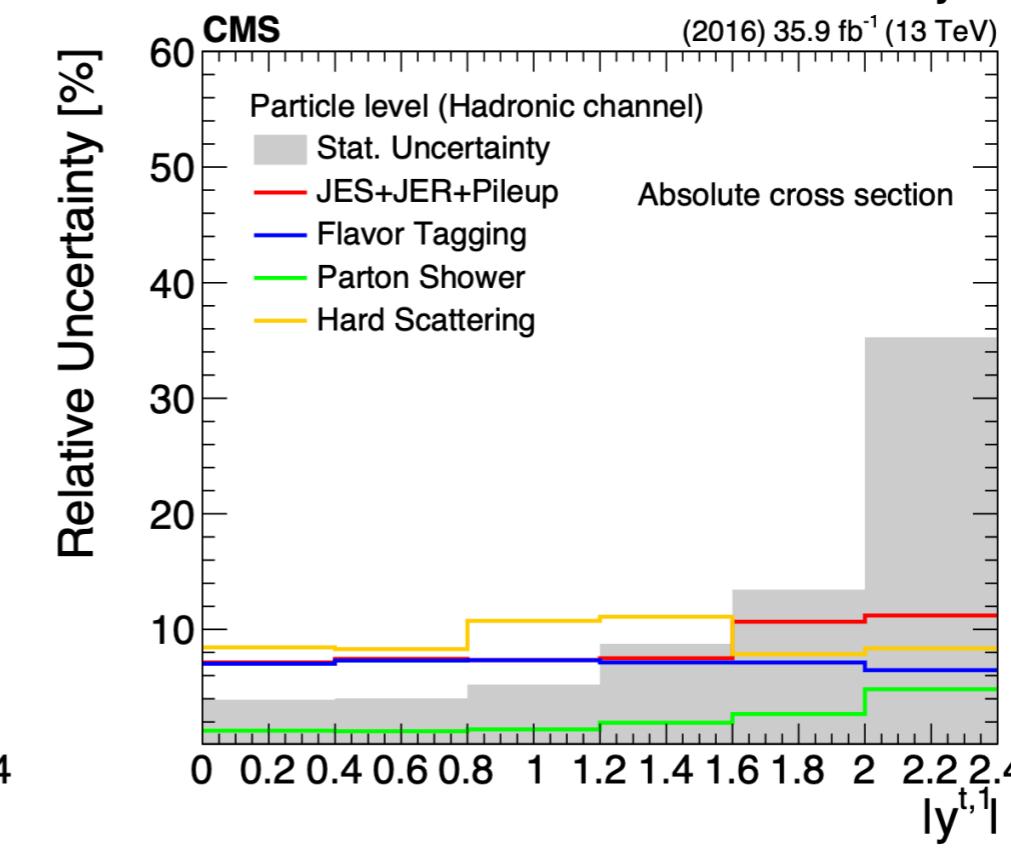
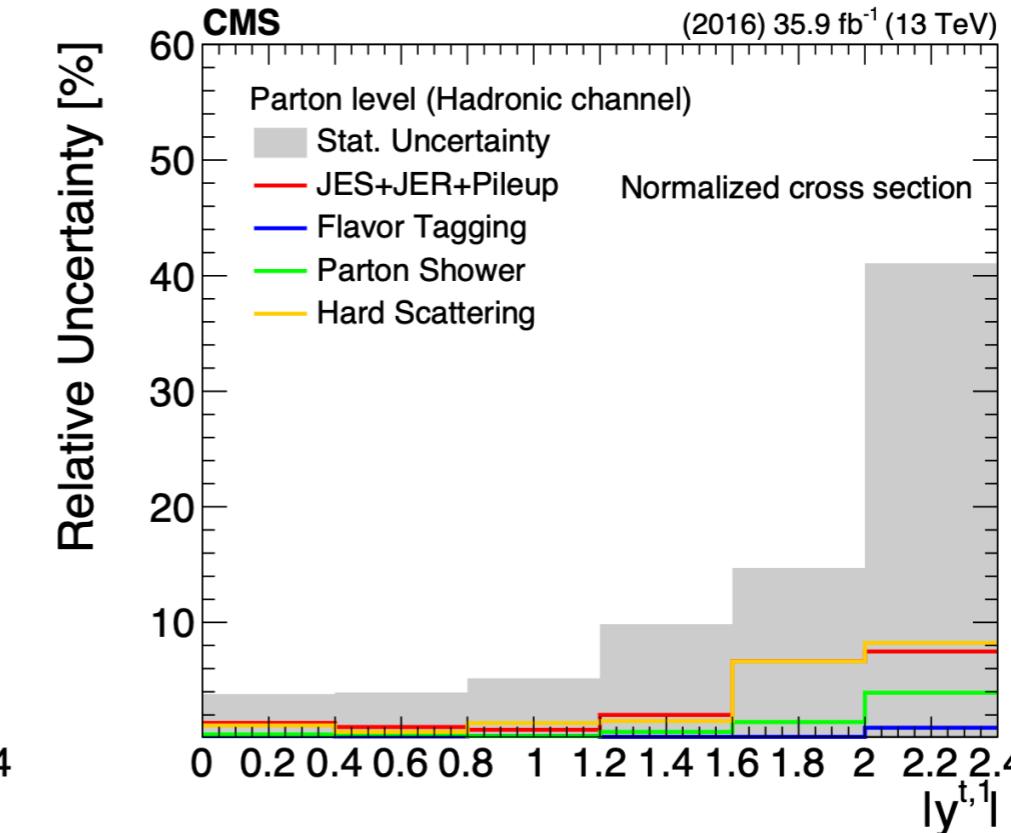
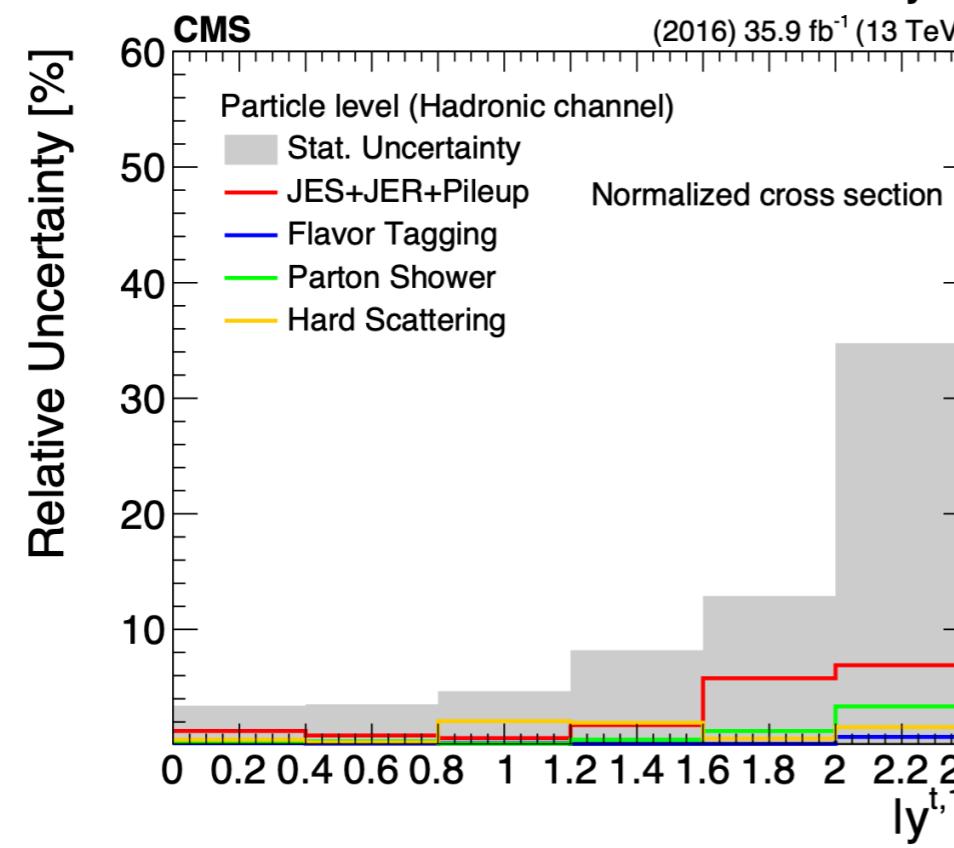
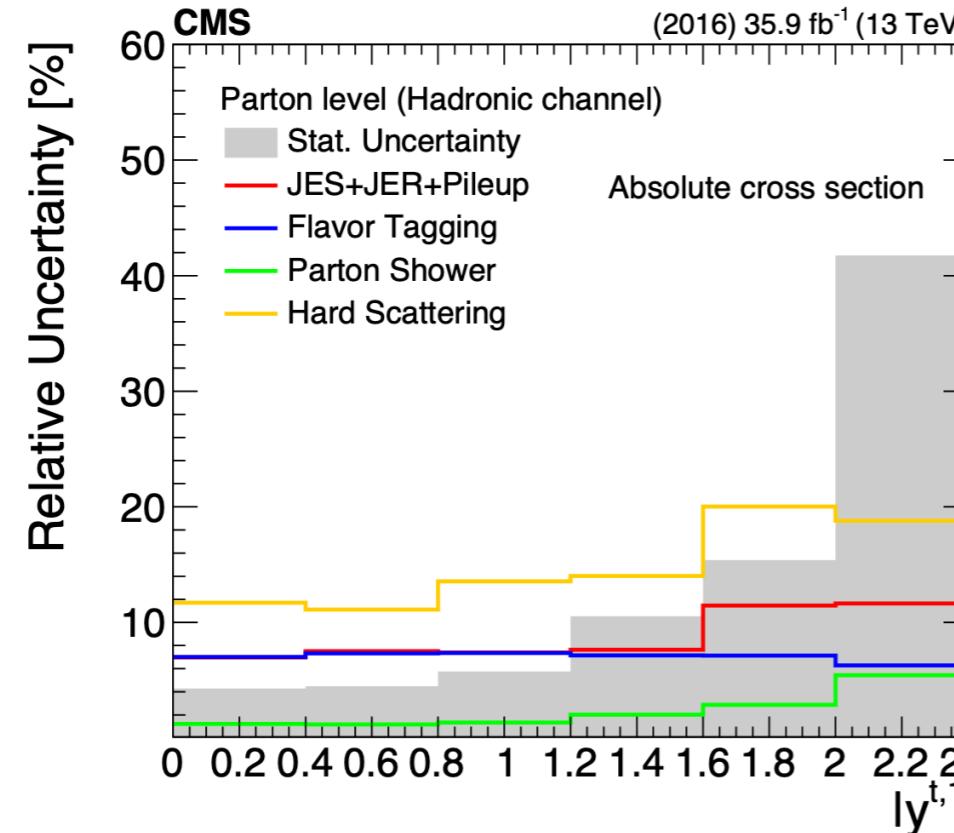
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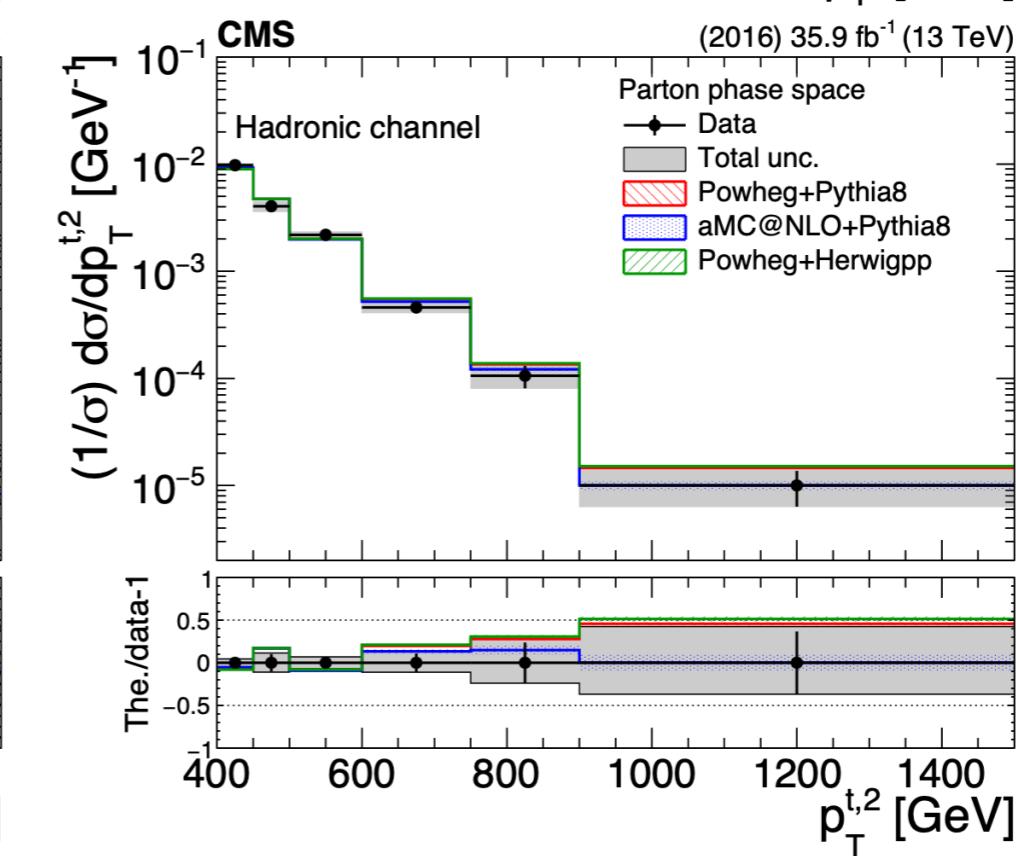
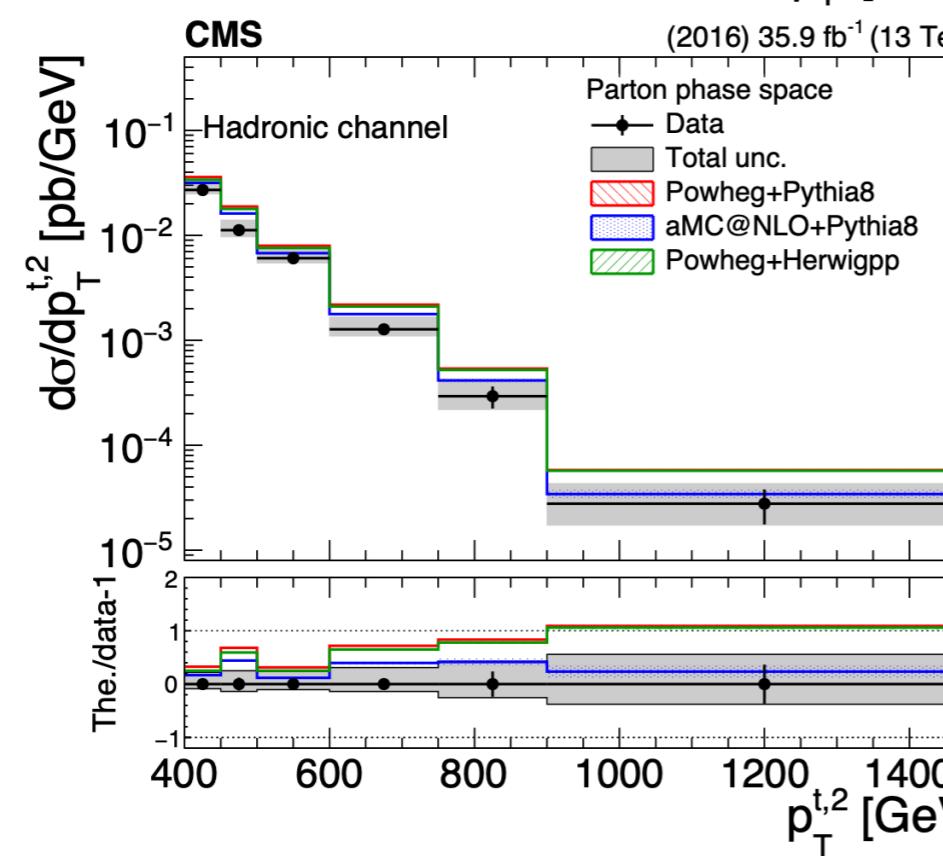
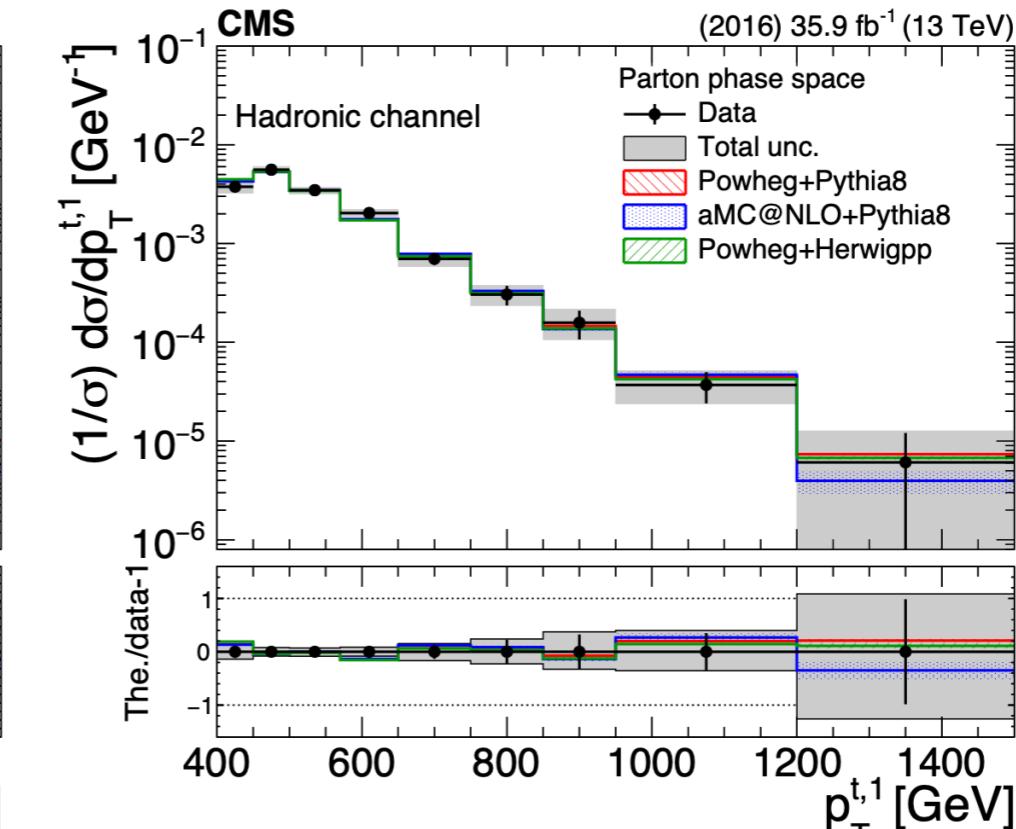
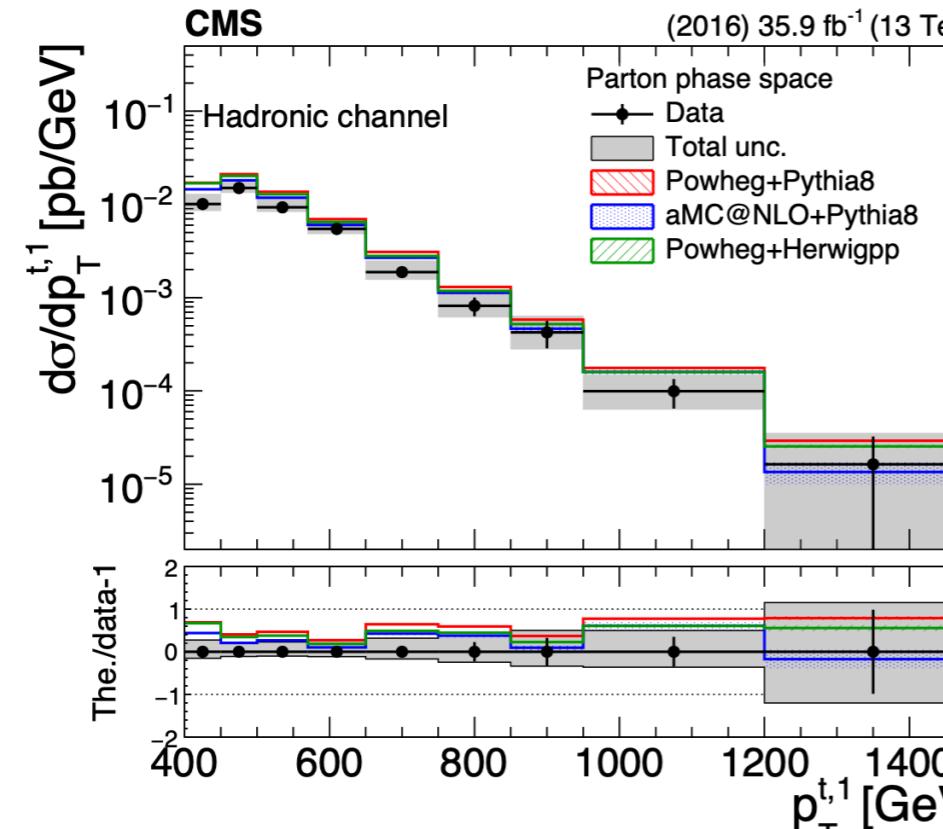
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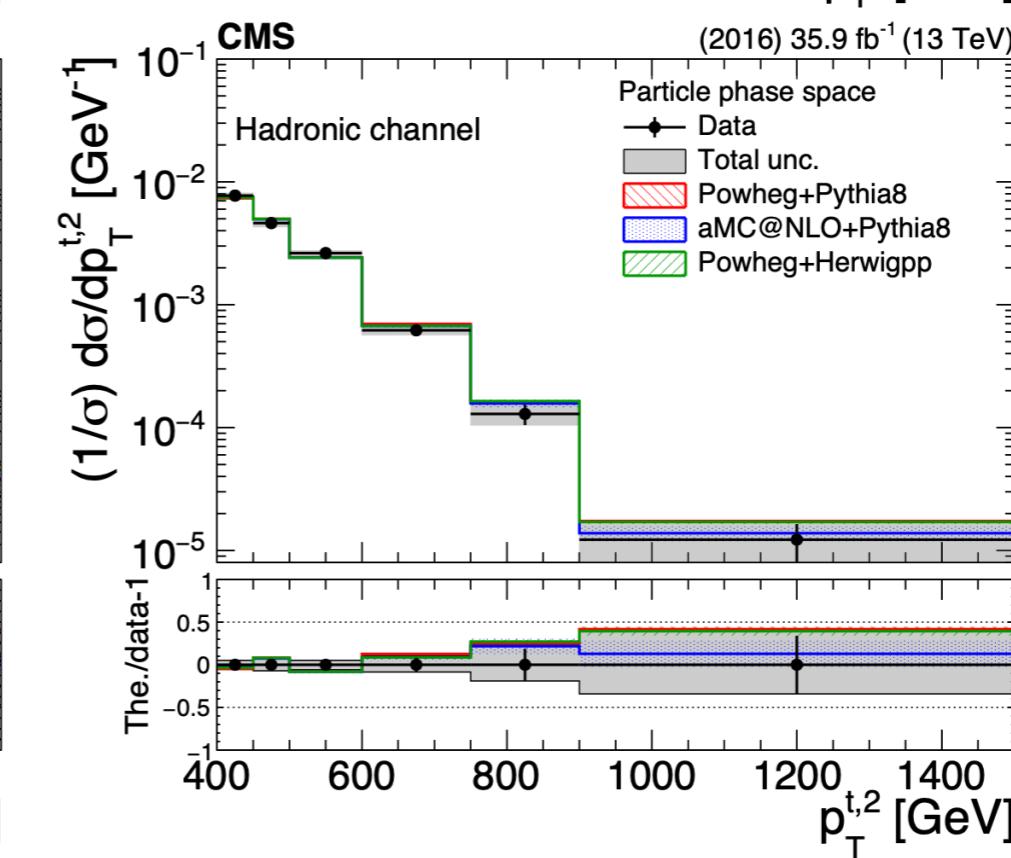
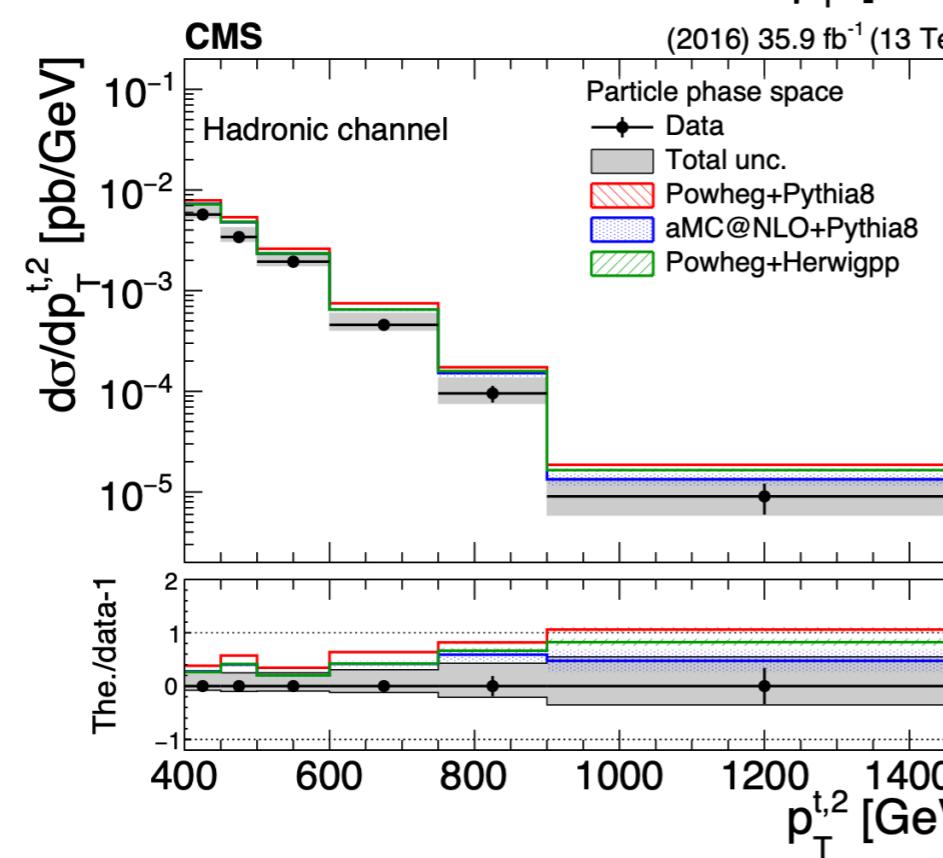
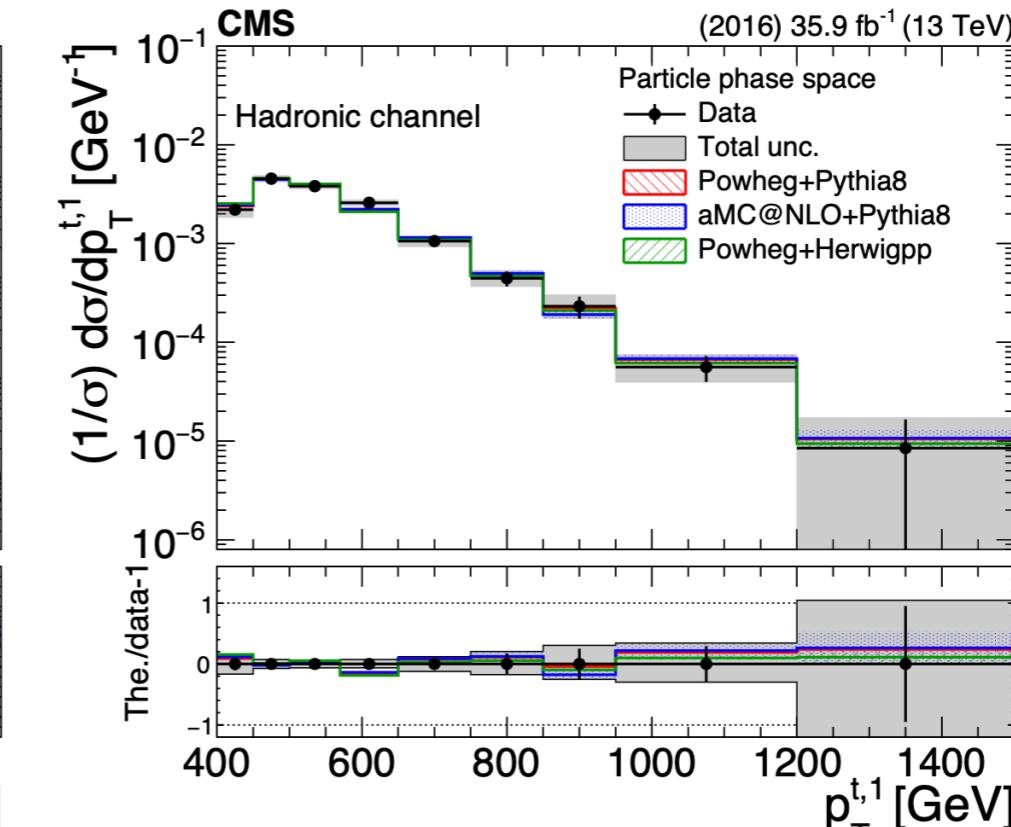
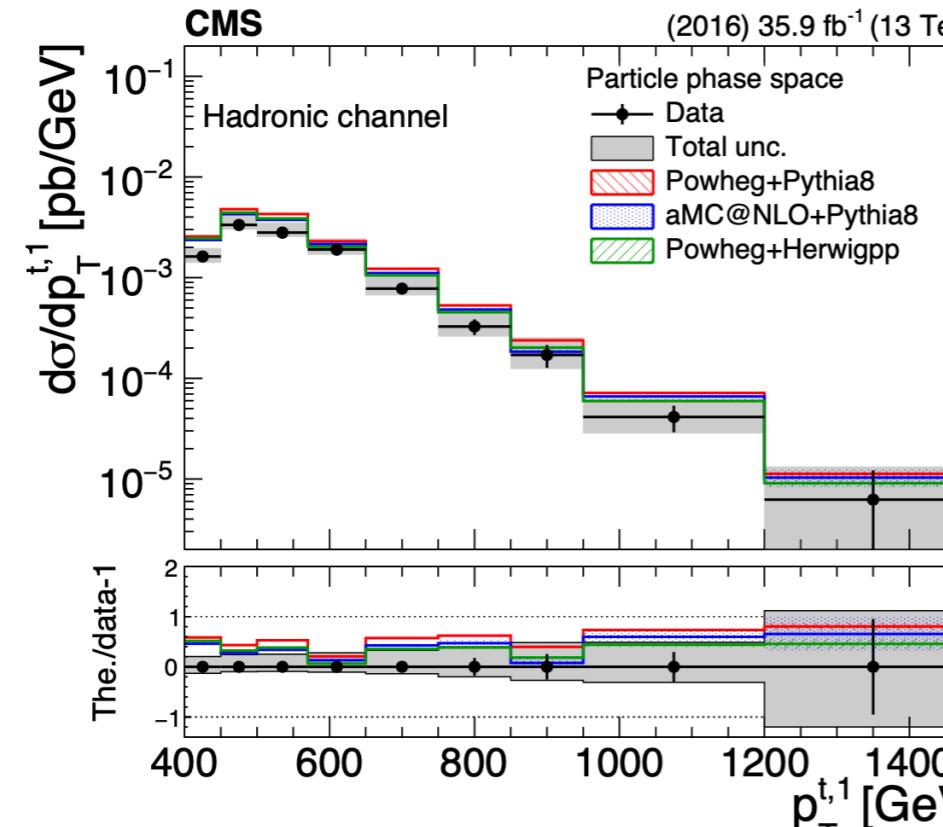
# Results (parton, top $p_T$ )

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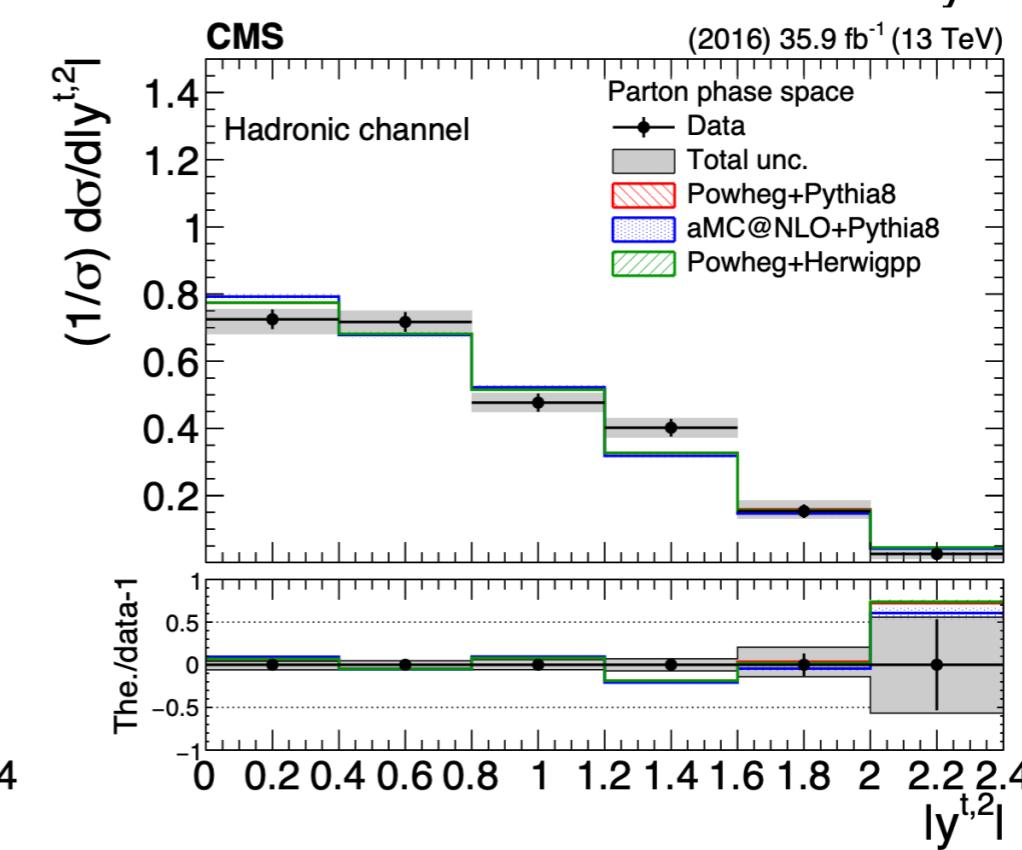
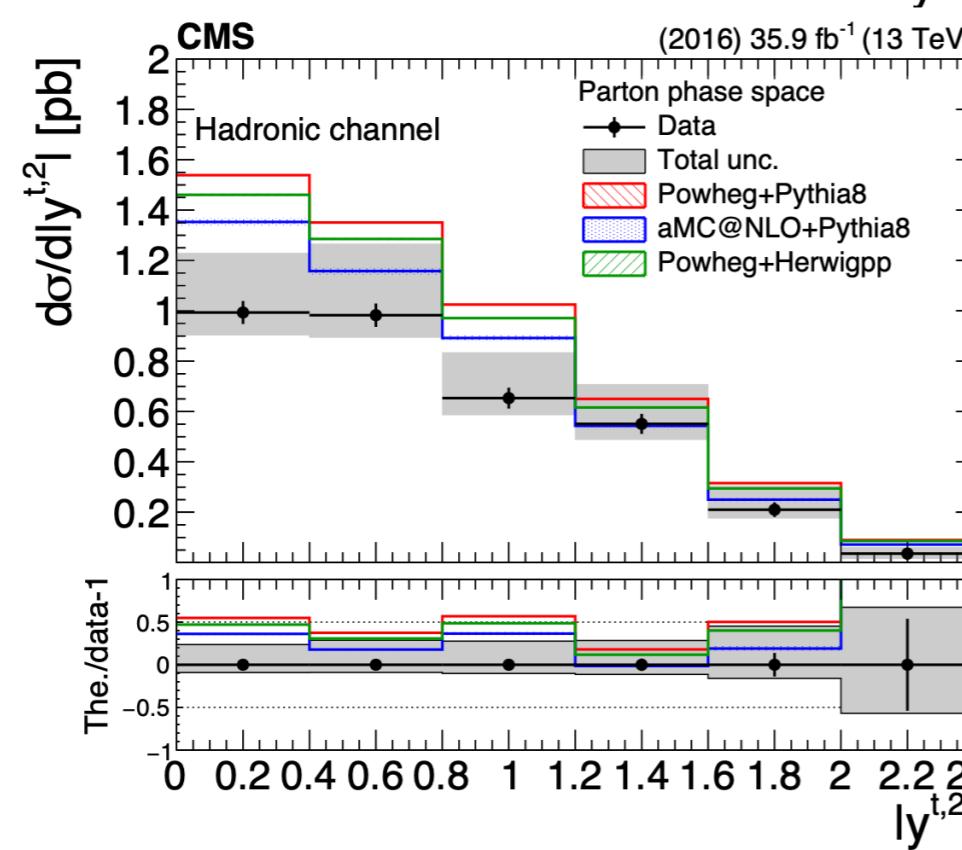
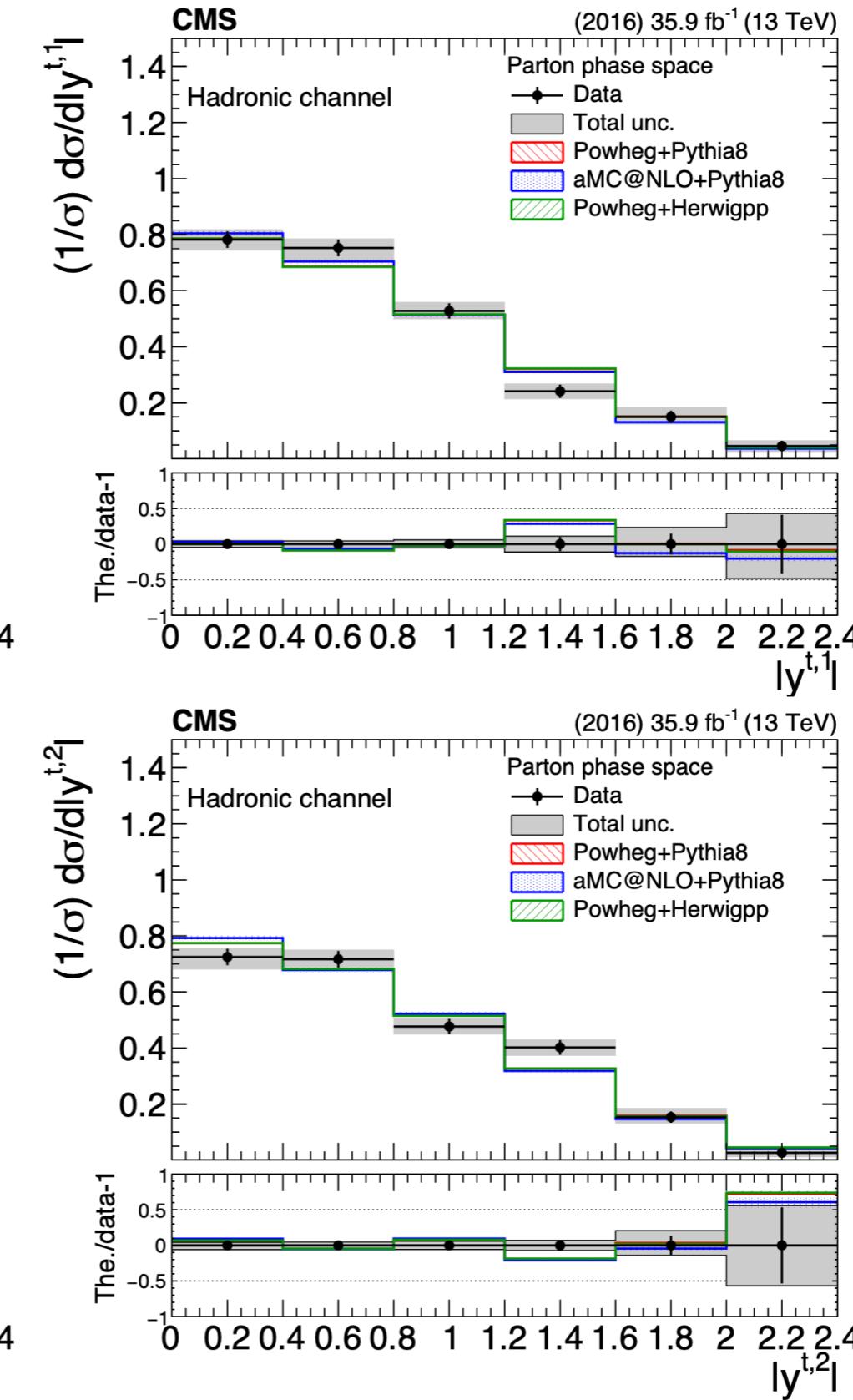
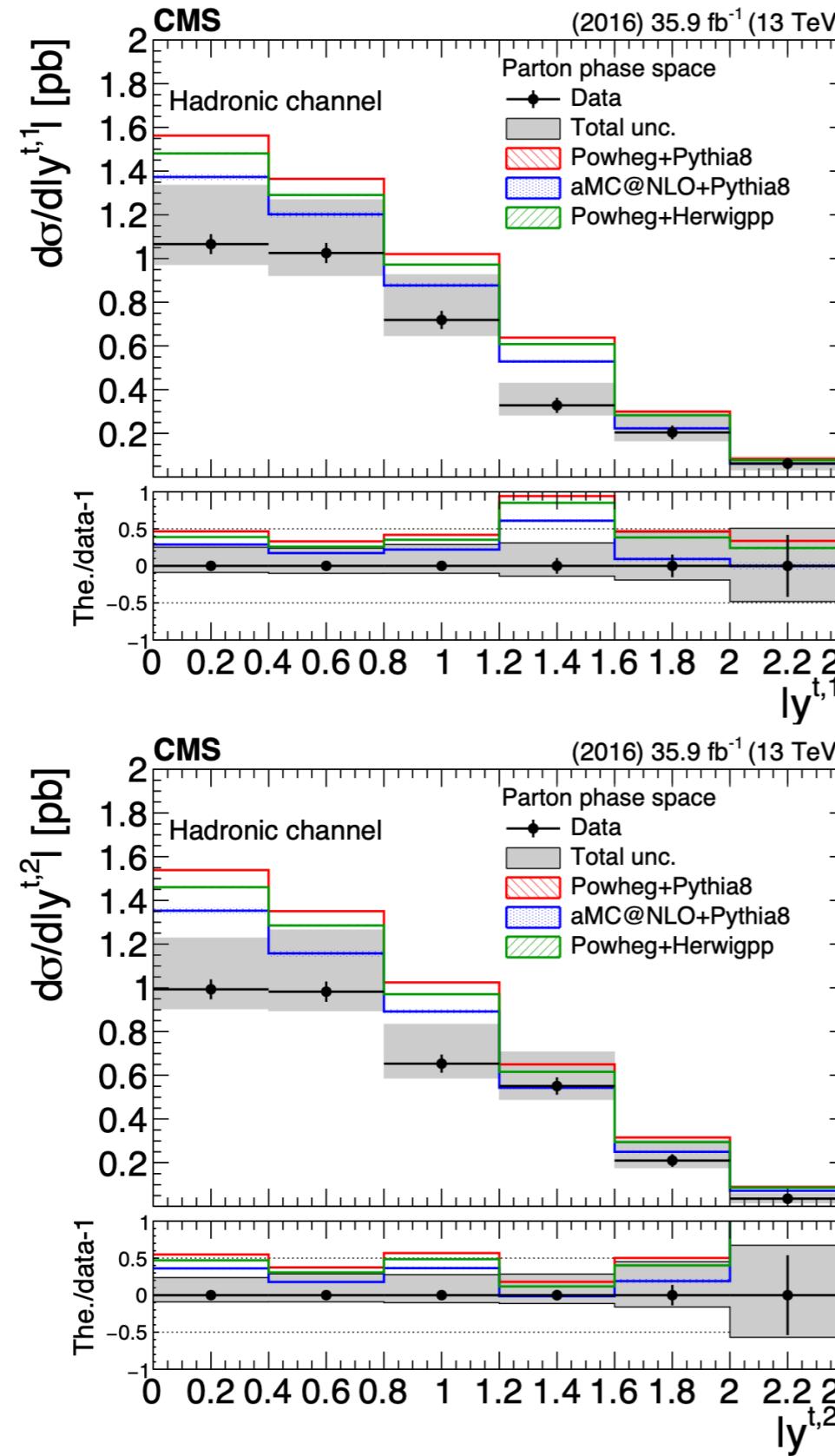
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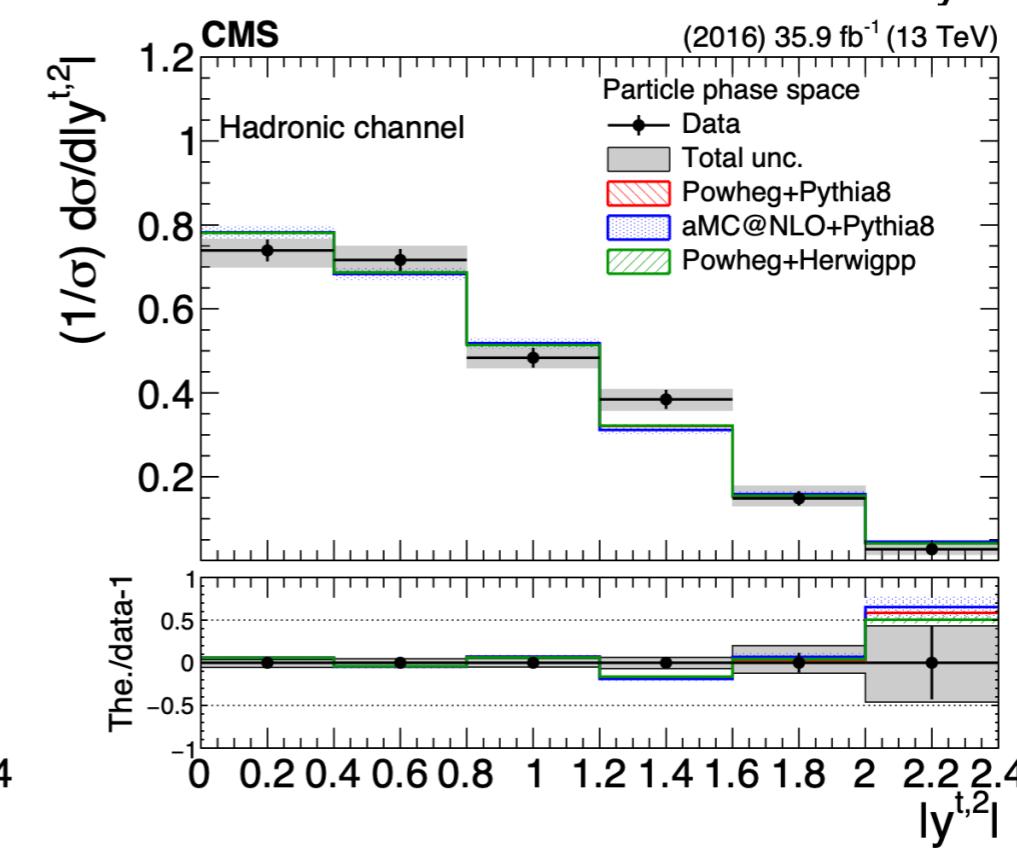
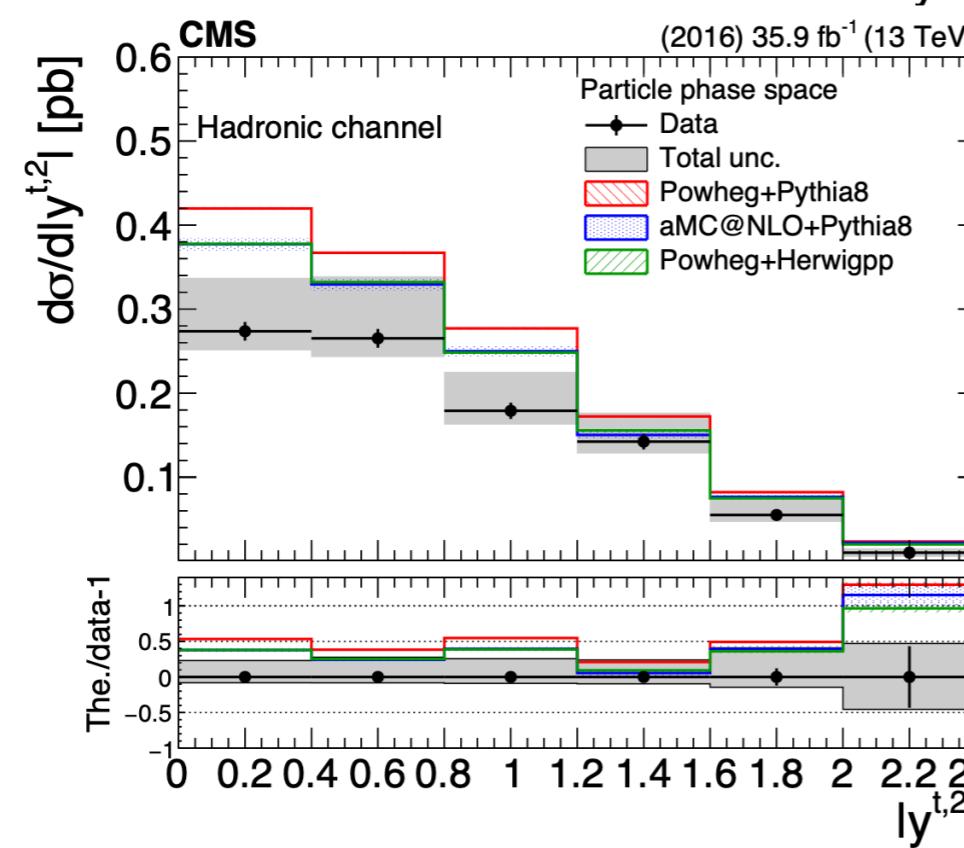
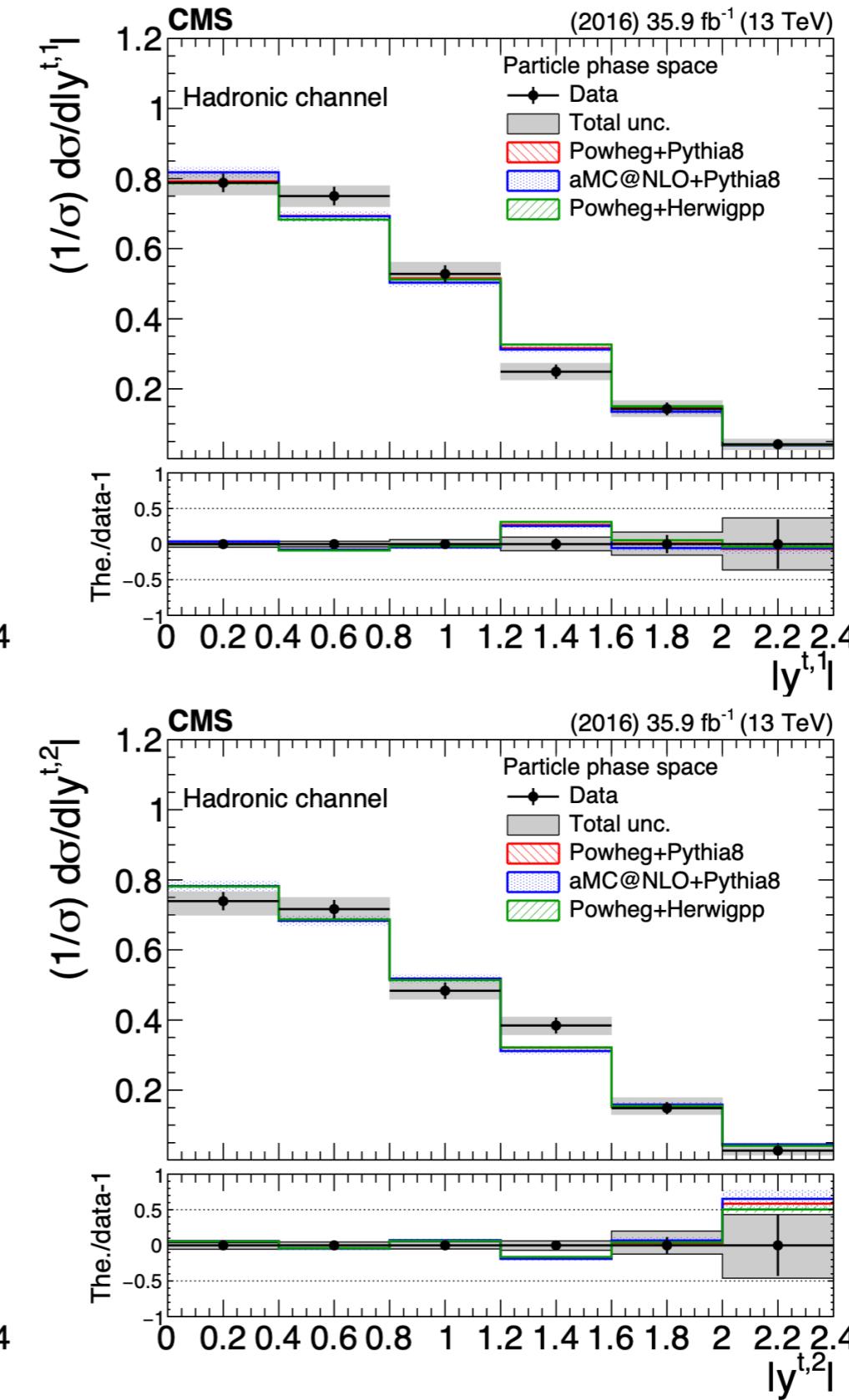
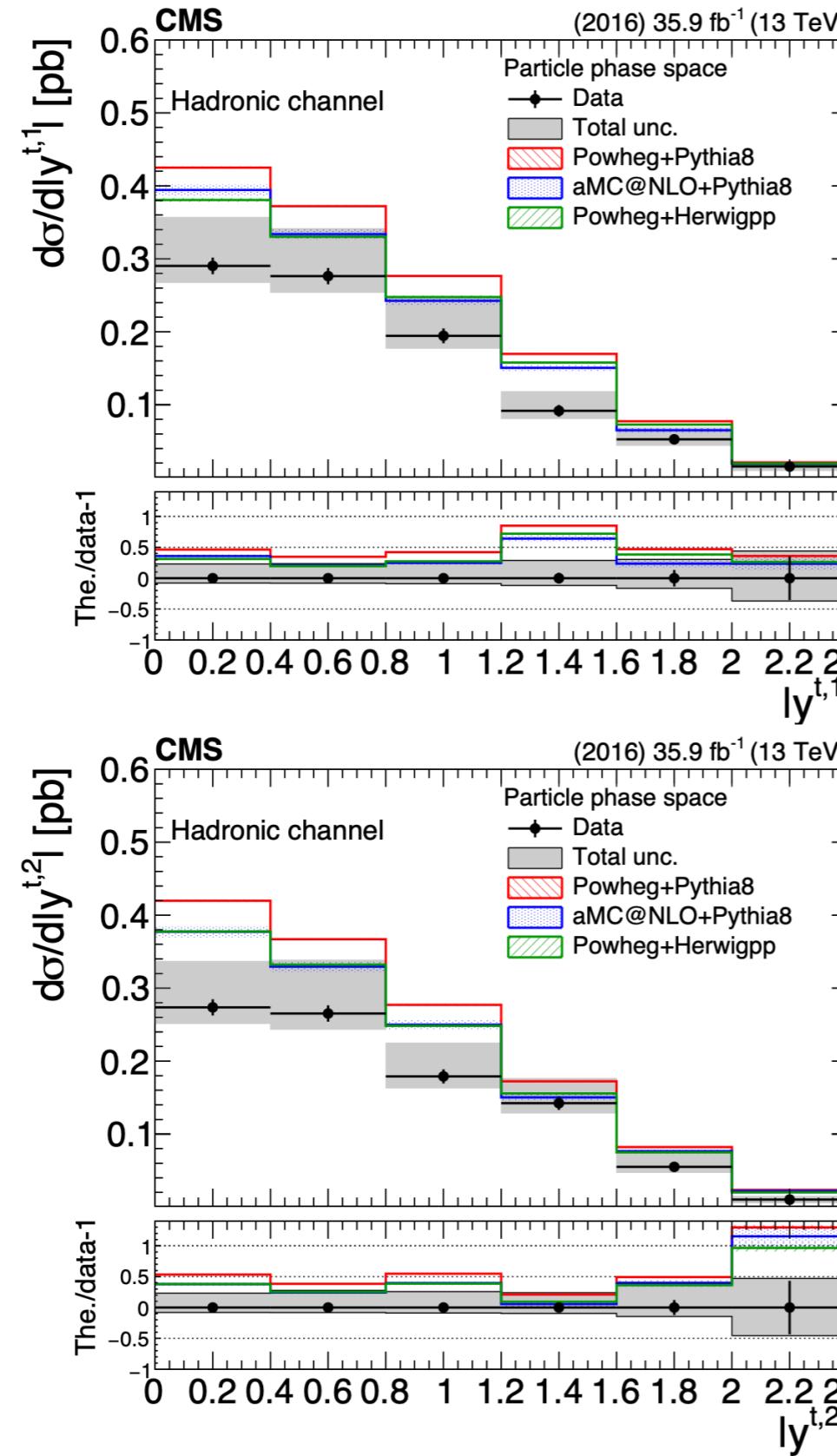
# Results (parton, top $|y|$ )

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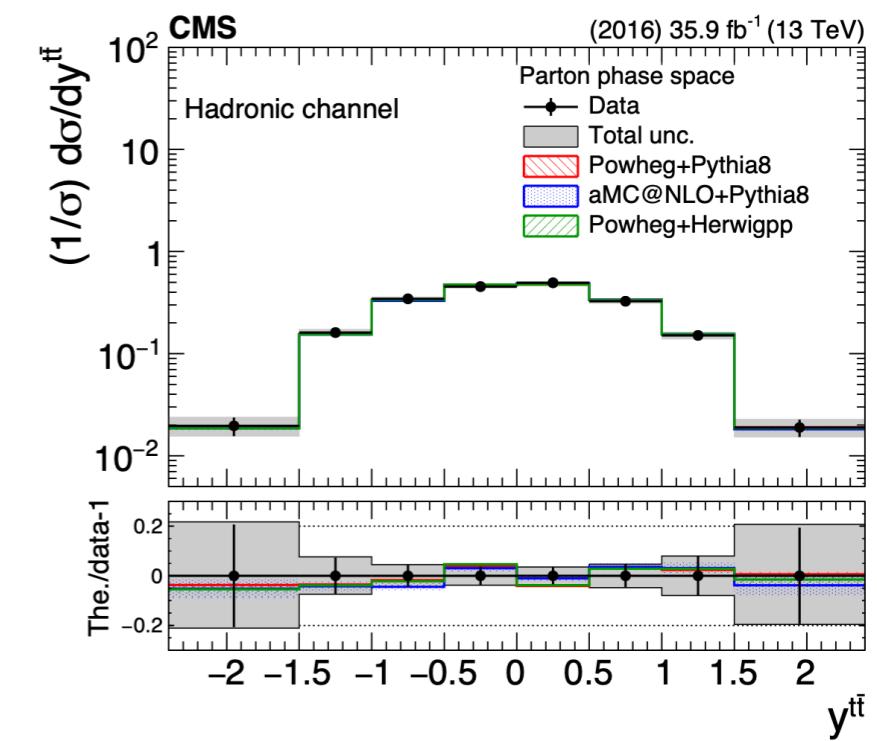
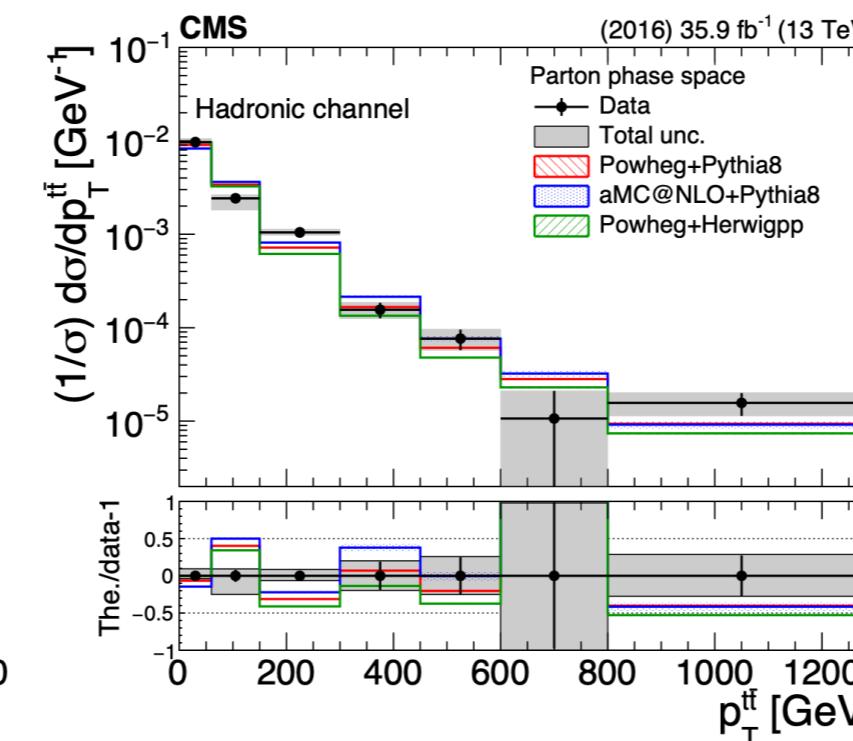
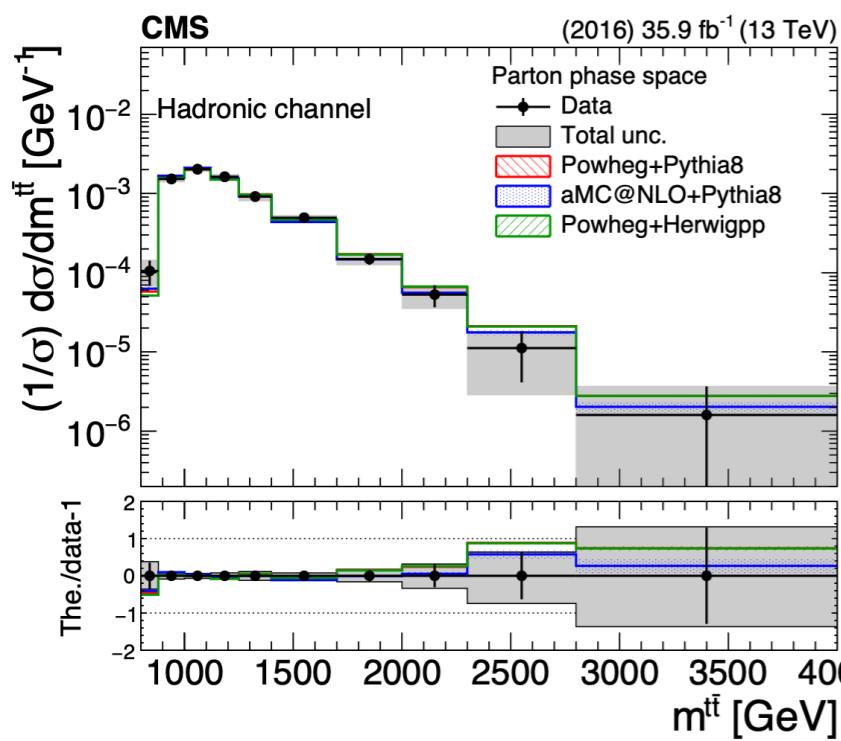
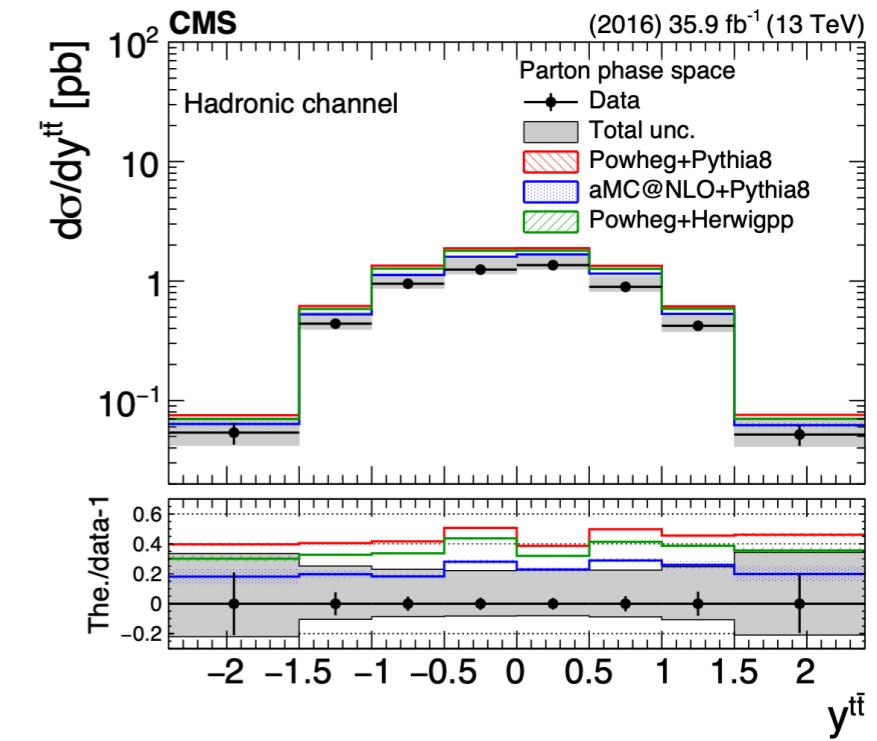
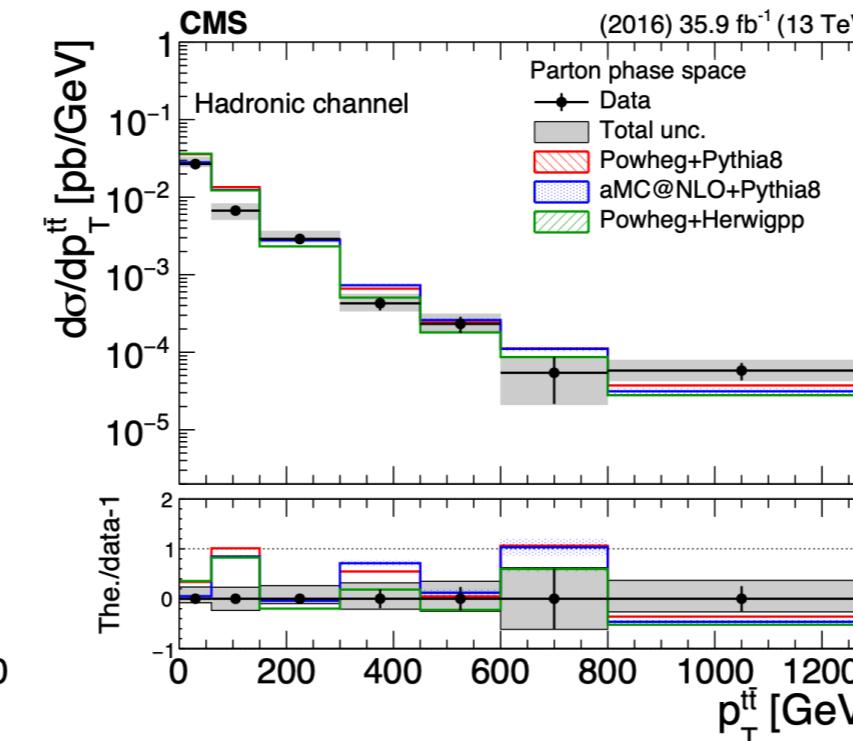
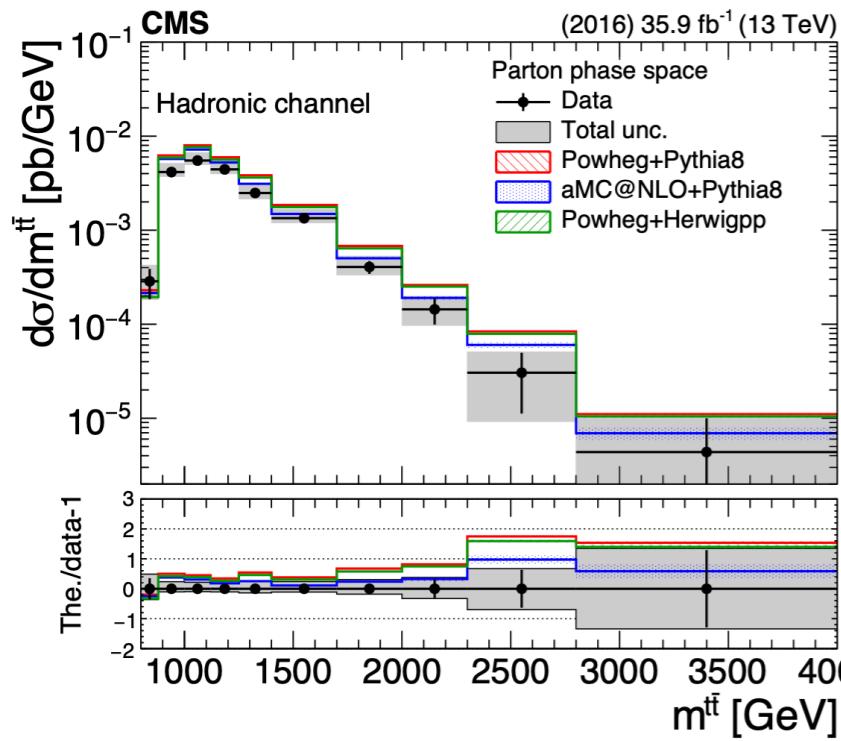
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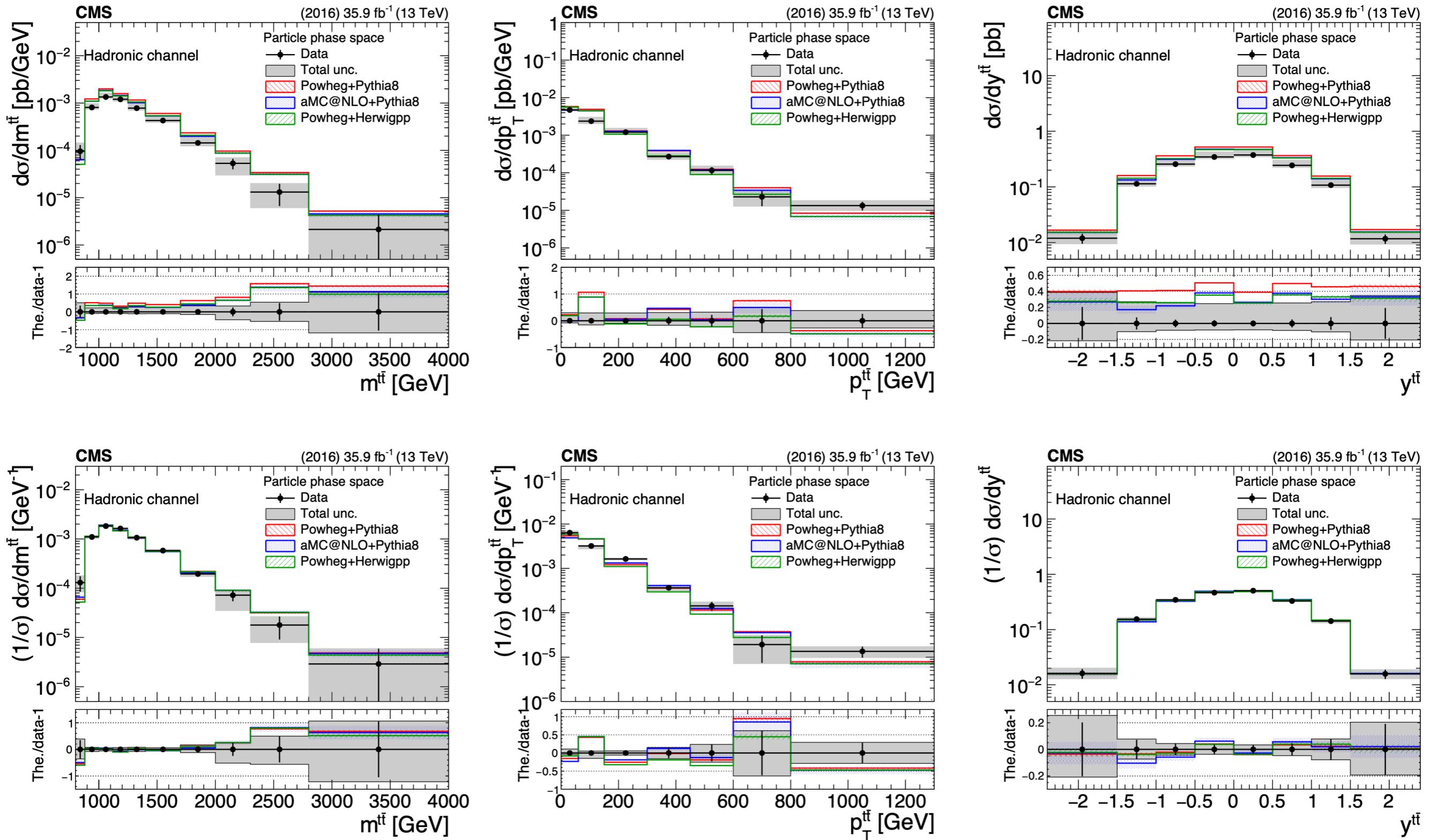
# Results (parton, $m_{t\bar{t}}$ , $y_{t\bar{t}}$ , $p_{T,t\bar{t}}$ )

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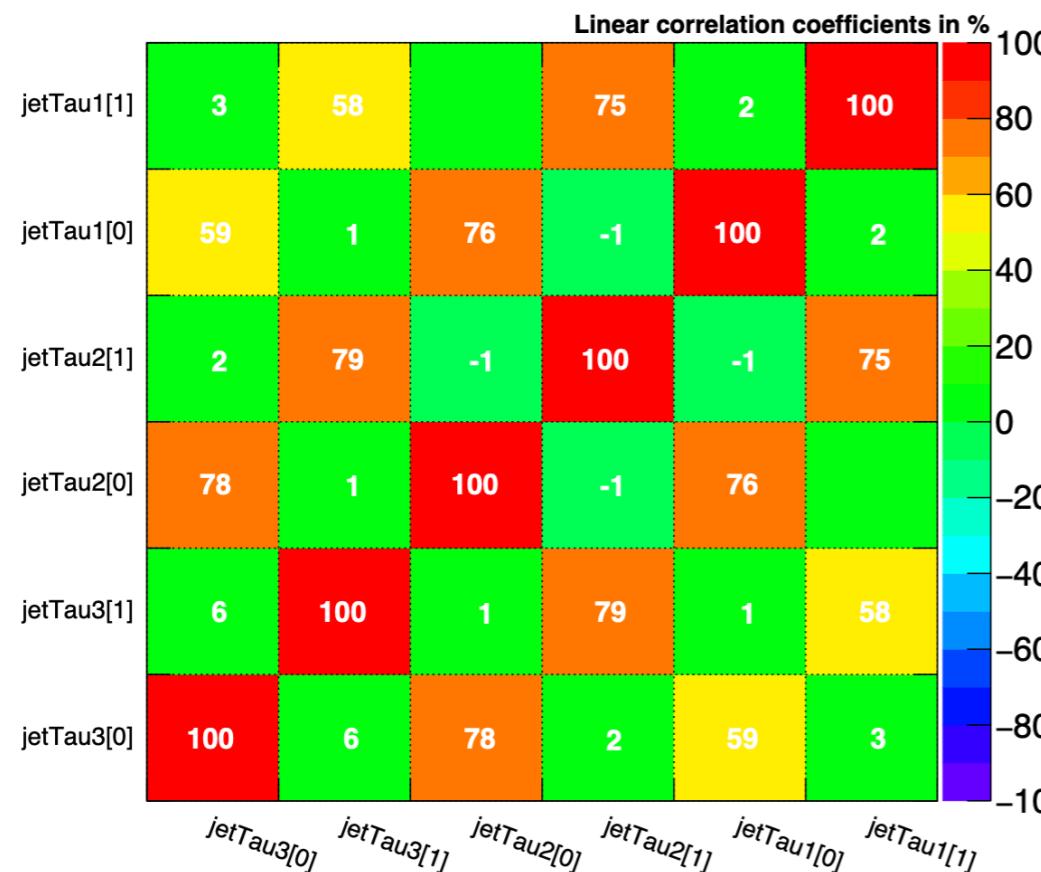


# Summary

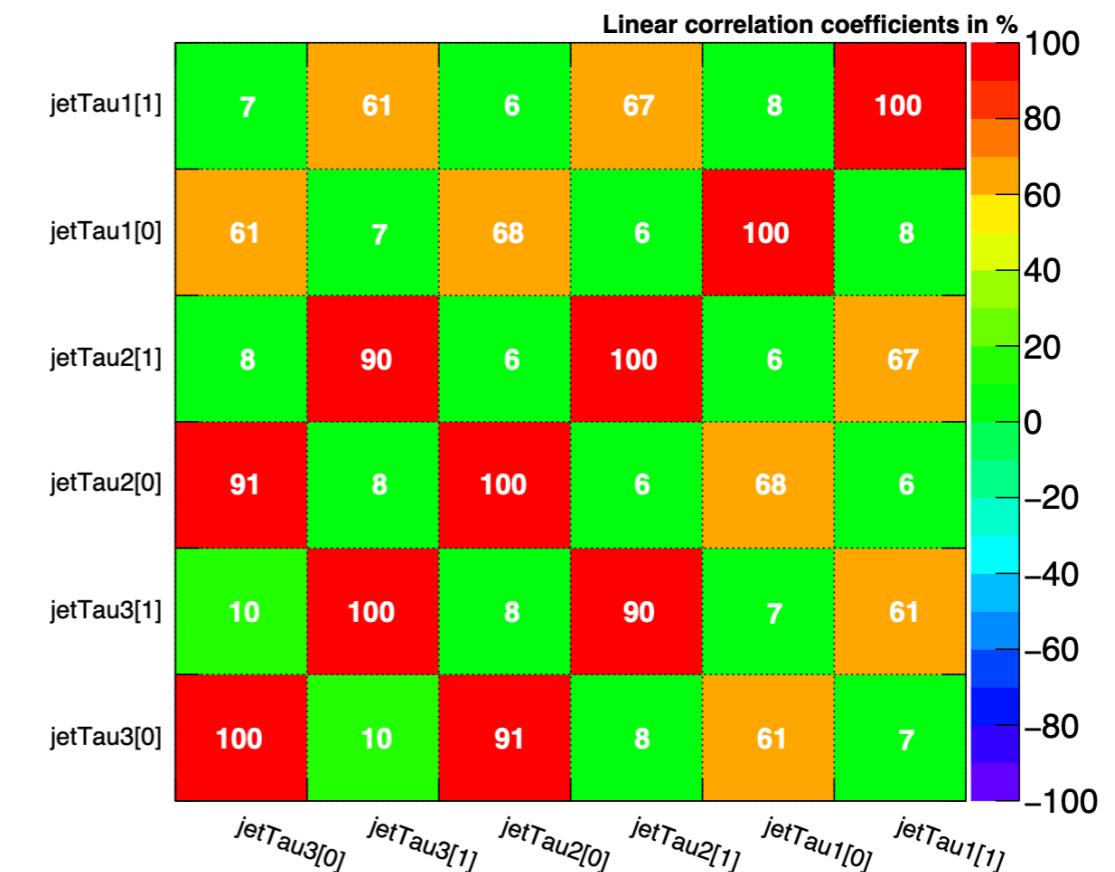
- ◆ we have performed a measurement of differential ttbar cross section with boosted top quarks in the hadronic channel
  - 2016 data,  $35.9 \text{ fb}^{-1}$
  - highest reach so far: 1.5 TeV in top  $p_T$  and 4 TeV in  $m_{tt}$
- ◆ seven observables: leading & subleading top  $p_T$  &  $|y|$ ,  $m_{tt}$ ,  $p_{t,\text{TT}}$ ,  $y_{\text{TT}}$ 
  - parton & particle level
  - absolute & normalised cross sections
- ◆ results
  - comparison with MC models: Powheg+Pythia8, Powheg+Herwig++, aMC@NLO+Pythia8
    - awaiting for NNLO calculations
    - shapes overall compatible with theory
      - no top  $p_T$  slope
      - overall shift of the order of 40% in the total cross section (Powheg+Pythia8 shows the largest discrepancy)
  - we seek the approval of TOP-18-013

# MVA training: correlation matrices

**Correlation Matrix (signal)**



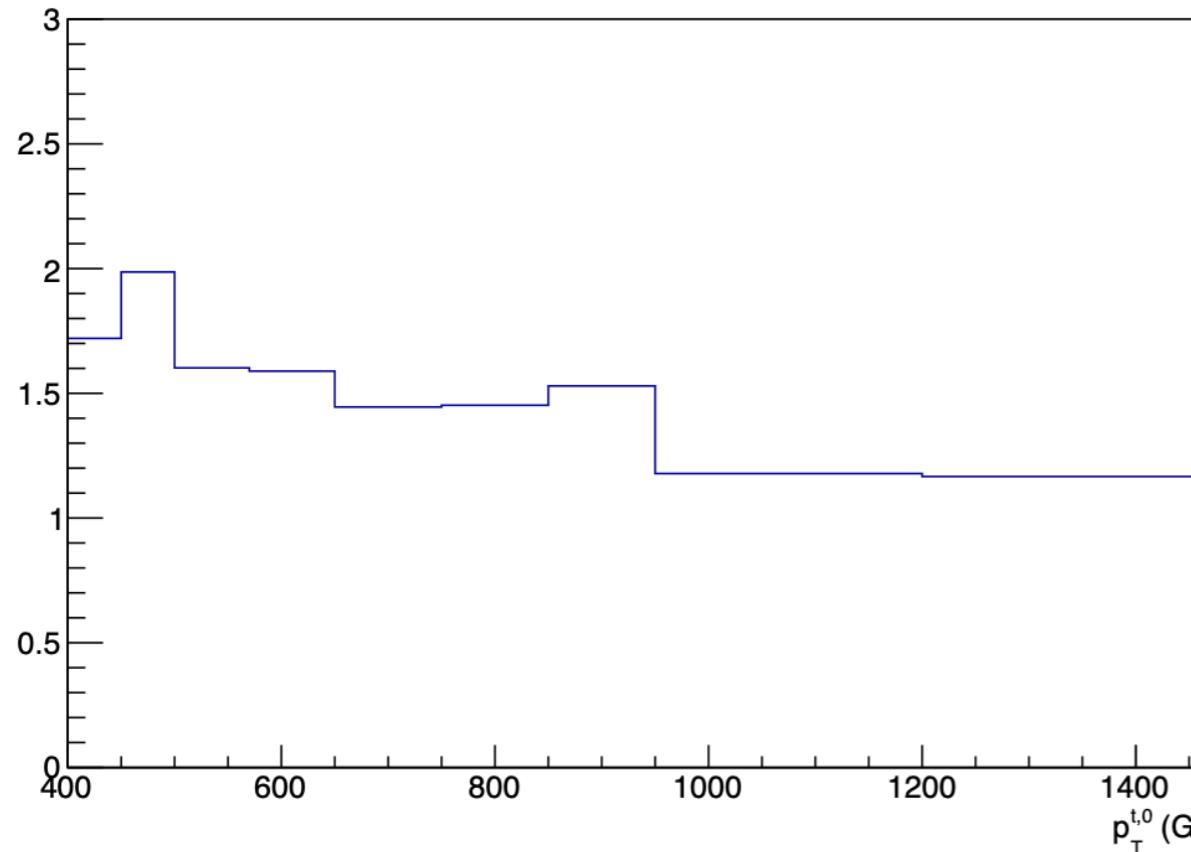
**Correlation Matrix (background)**



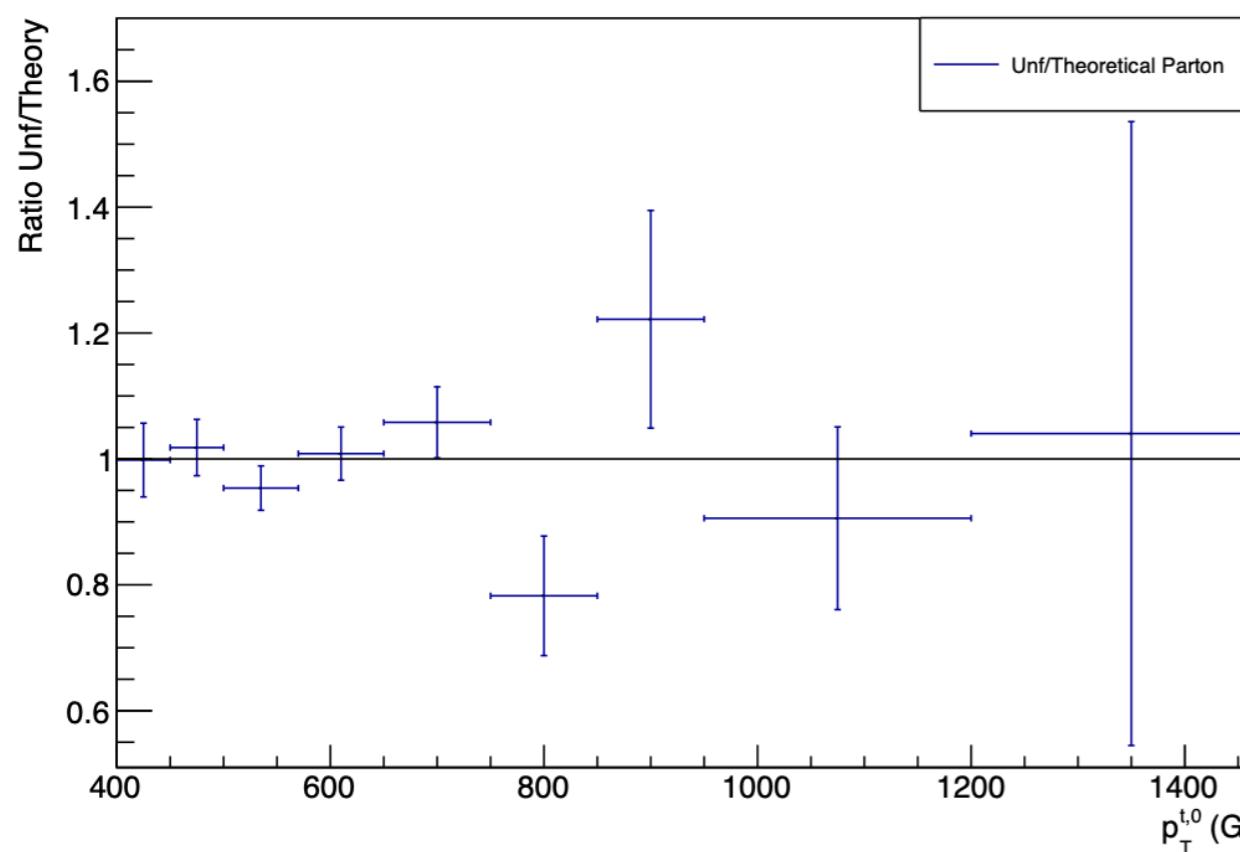
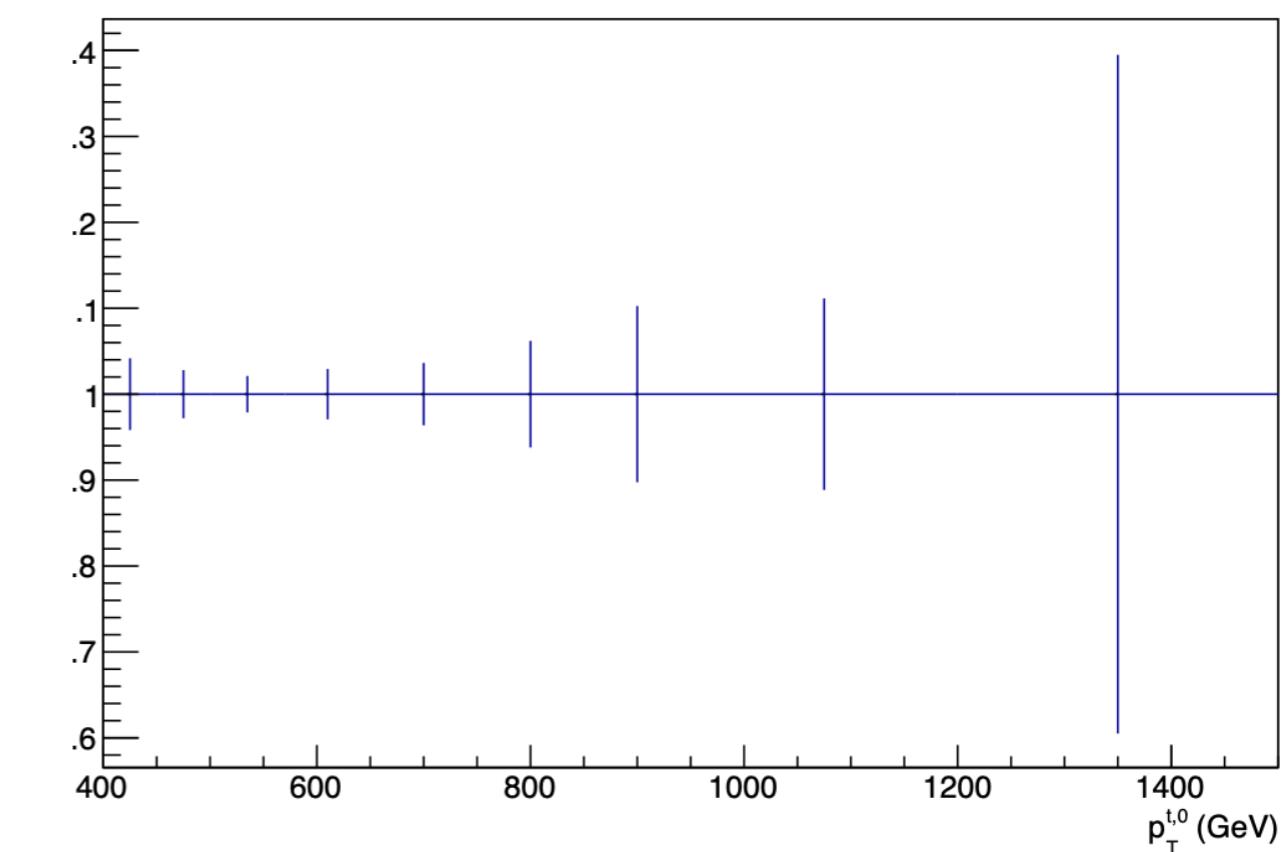


# Unfolding tests

Ratio of errors hUnfolded/hReco for jetPt0

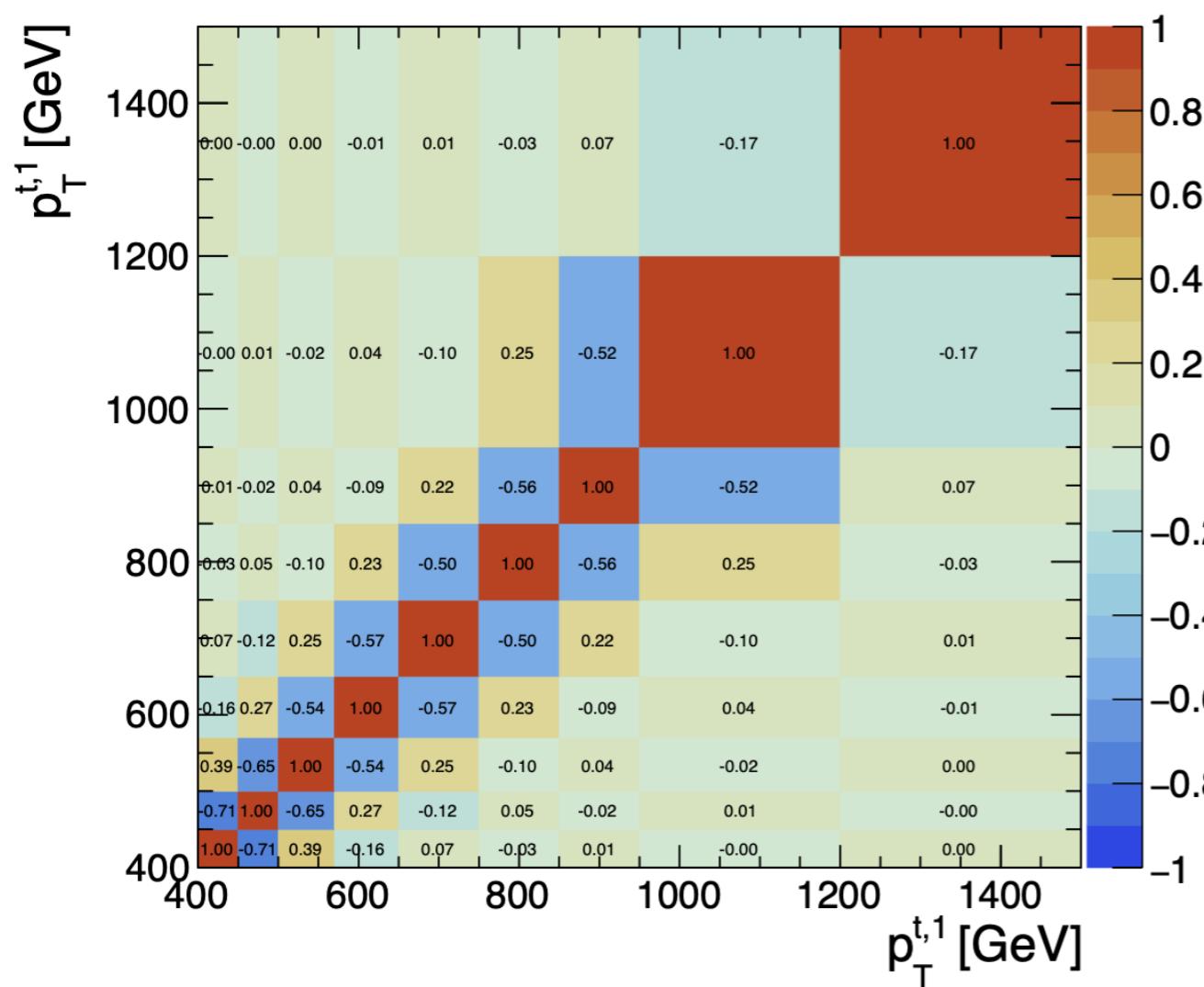


Ratio of hExtrapolated/hGen for jetPt0

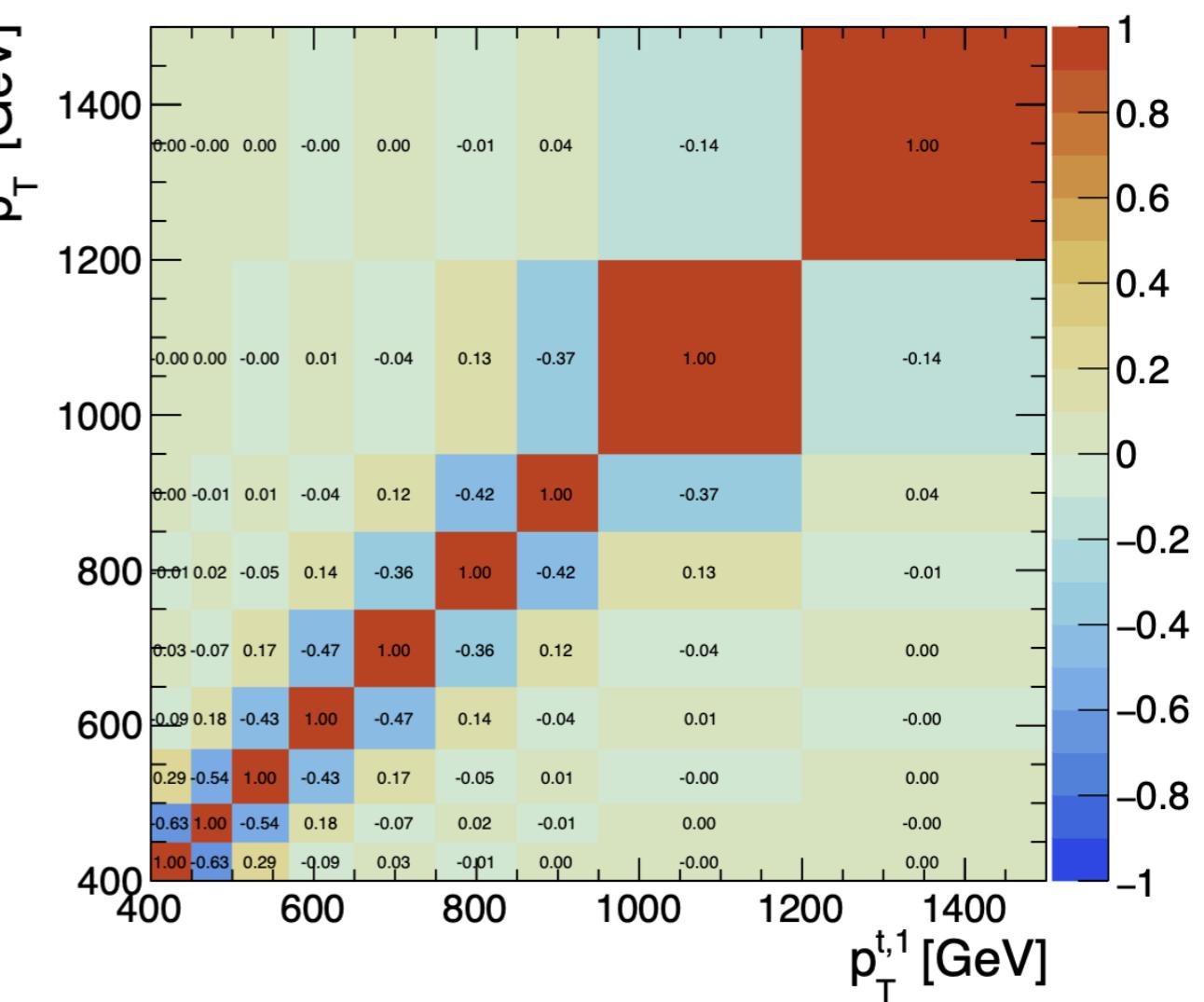


# Post-unfolding correlations

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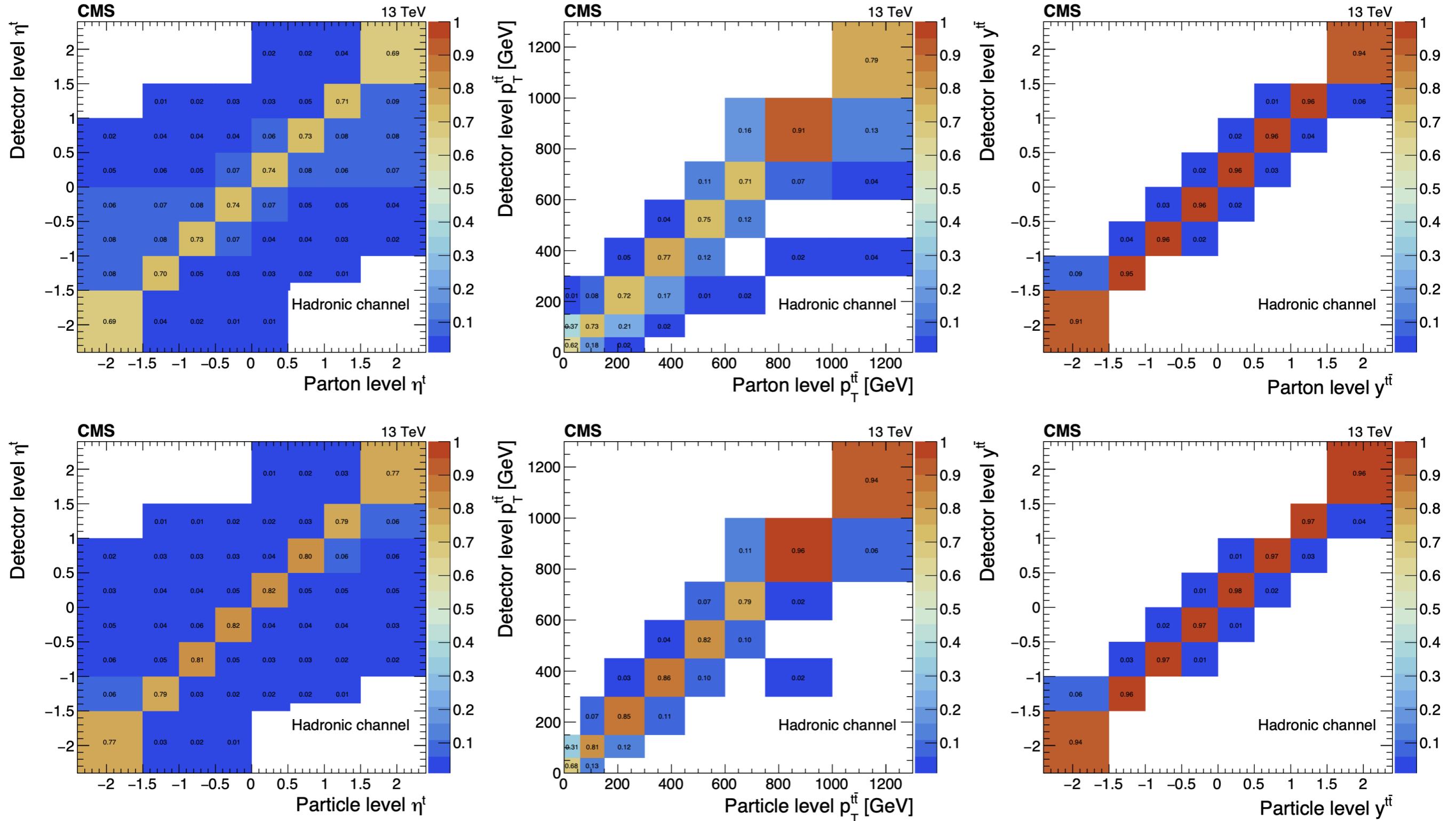


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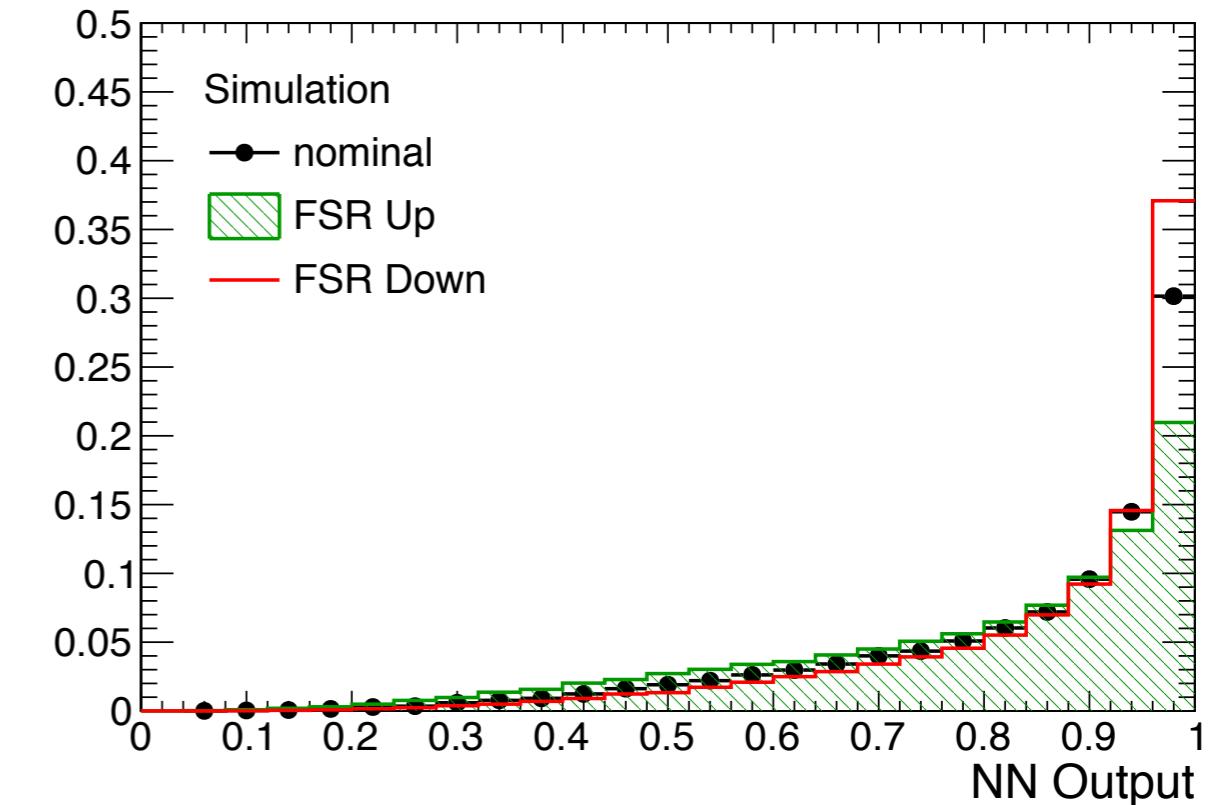
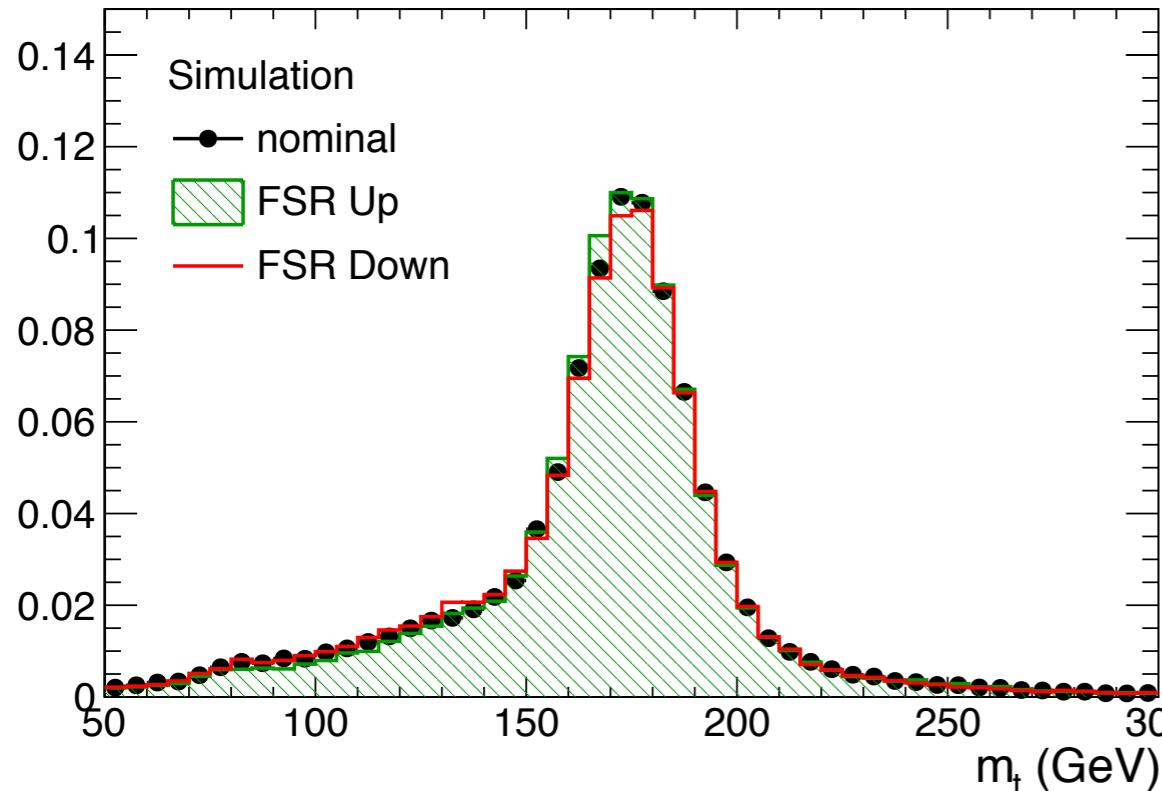




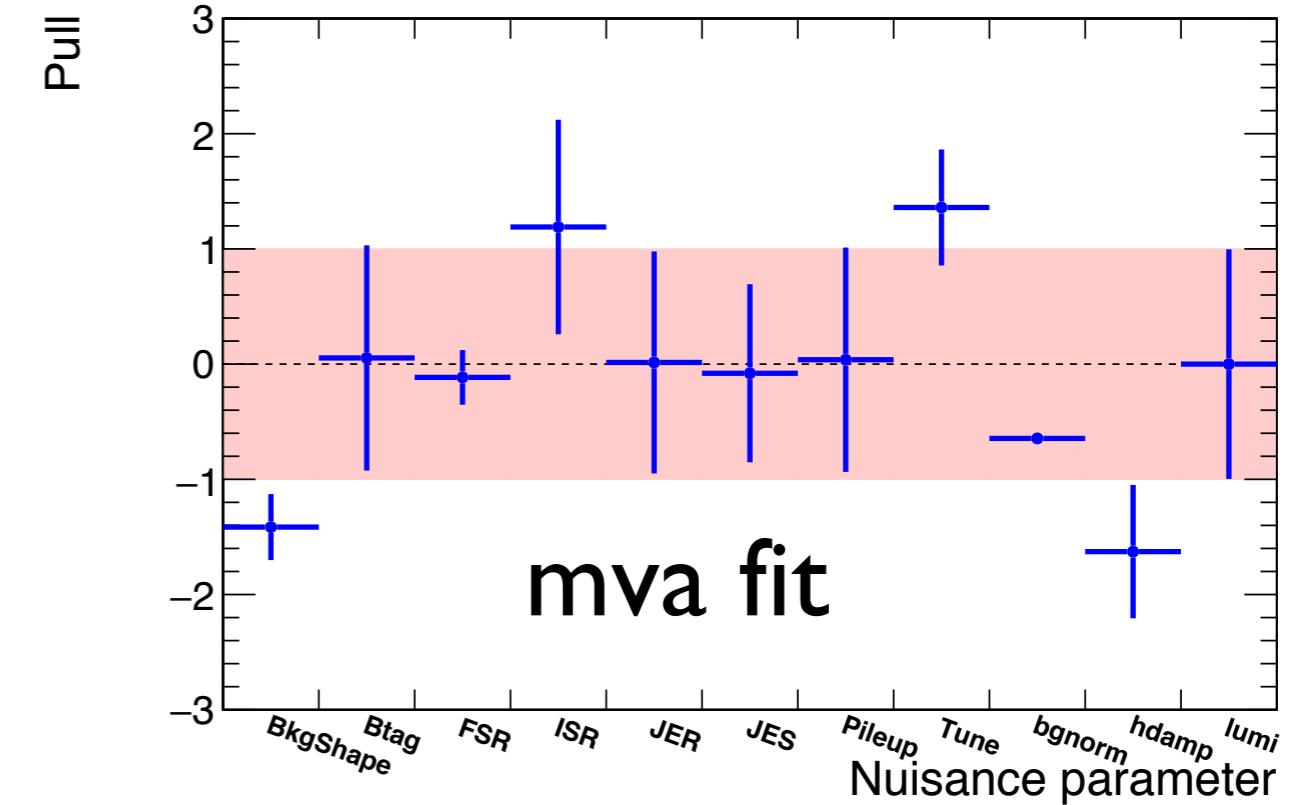
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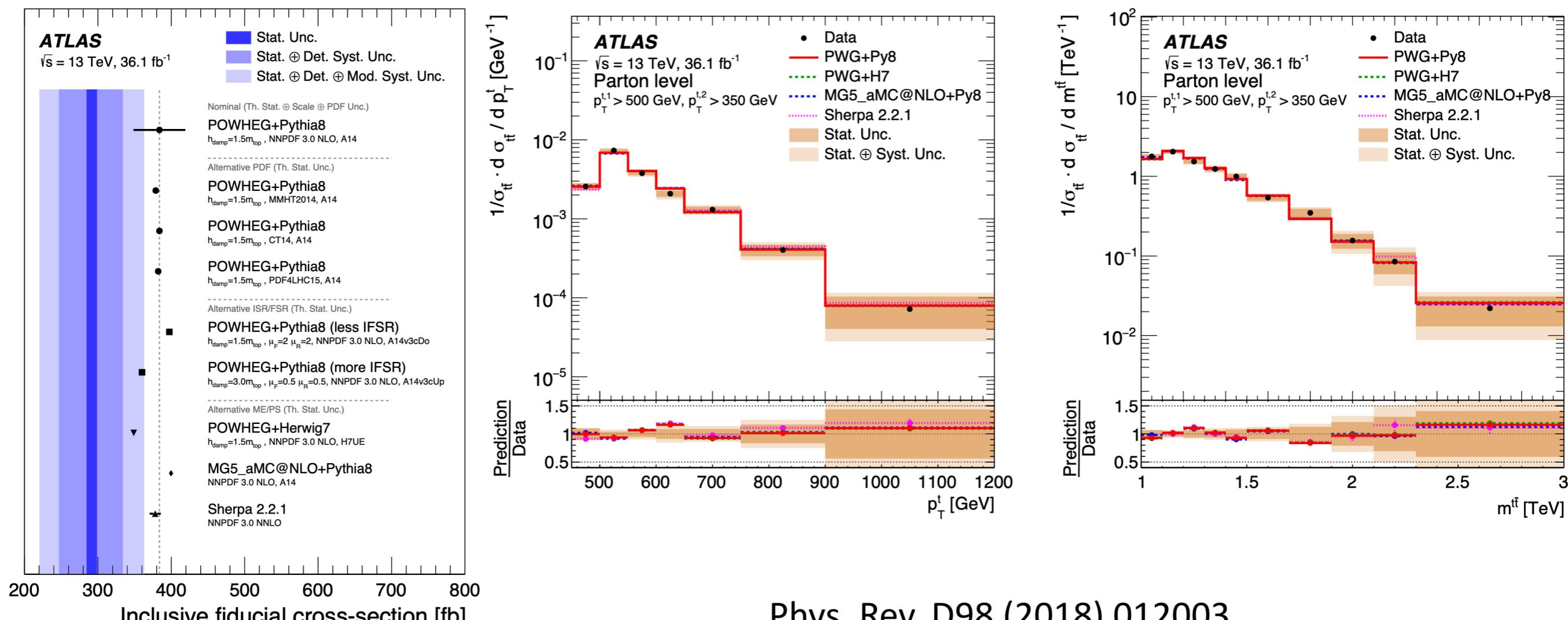
# Default FSR variations



Extreme FSR variations  
are not justified by data



# ATLAS results



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