

# Gluon splitting to bottom quarks at the LHC



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*Parton radiation and fragmentation from LHC to FCC-ee*

## Outline

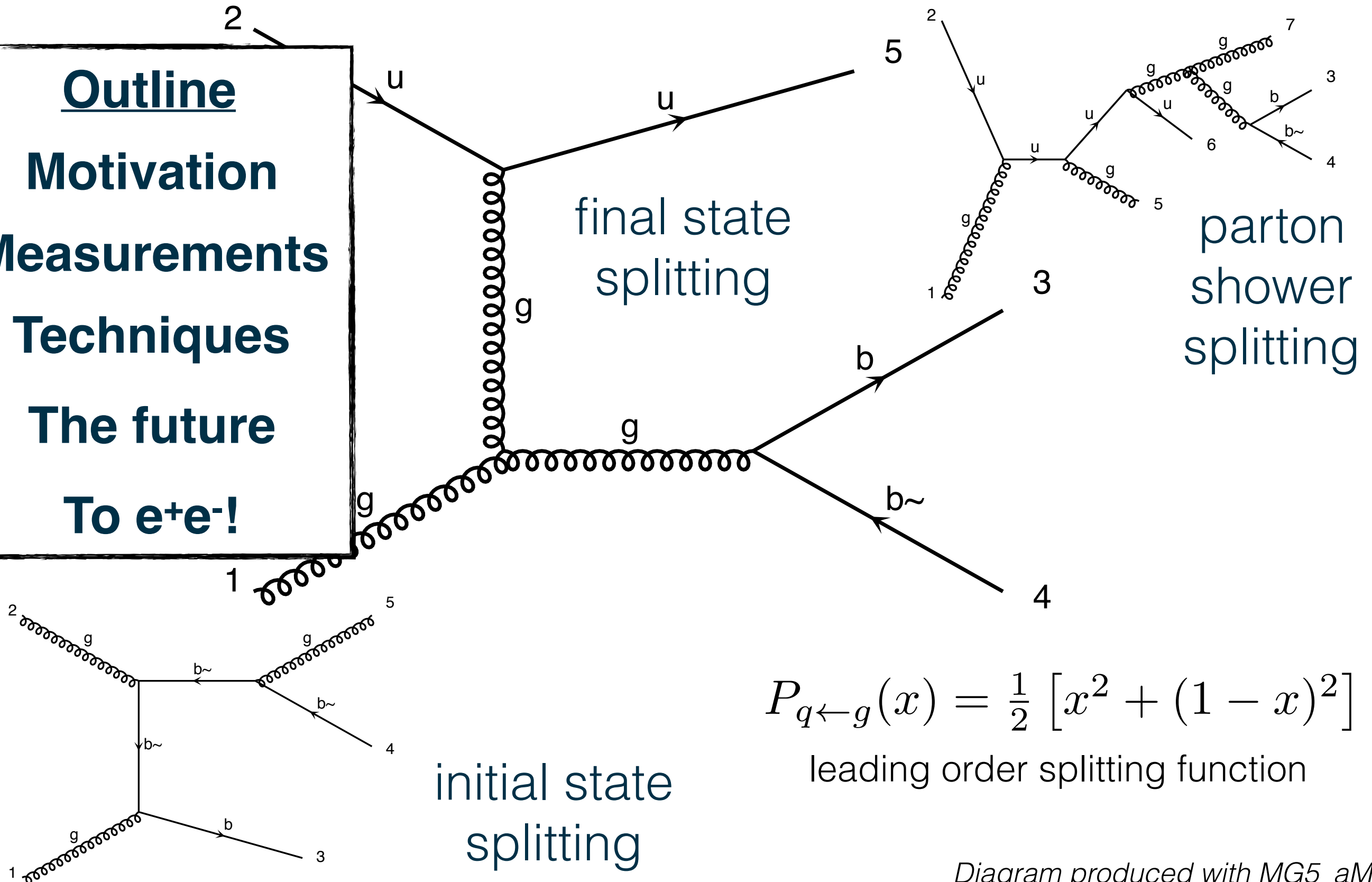
Motivation

Measurements

Techniques

The future

To  $e^+e^-$ !



$$P_{q \leftarrow g}(x) = \frac{1}{2} [x^2 + (1-x)^2]$$

leading order splitting function

Diagram produced with MG5\_aMC

## Perturbative QCD

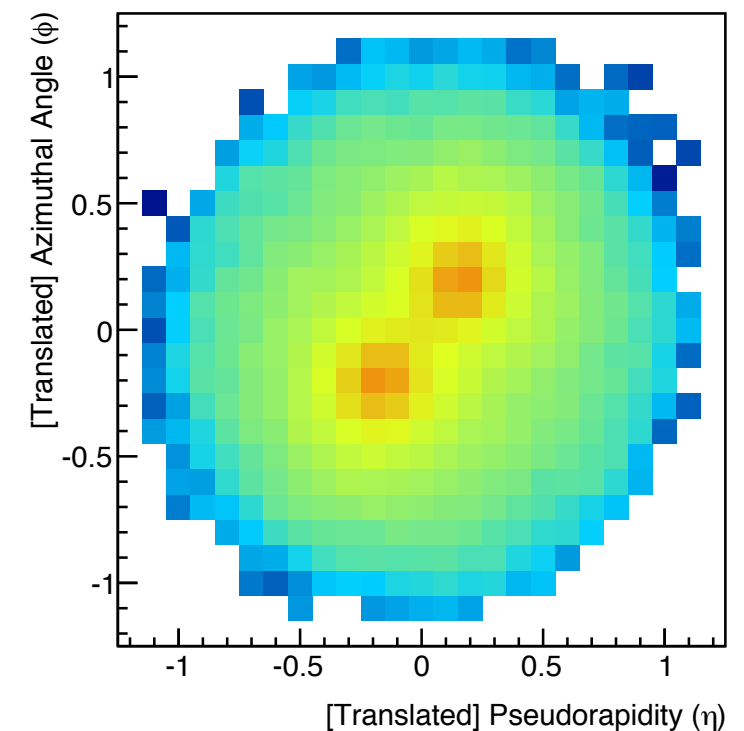
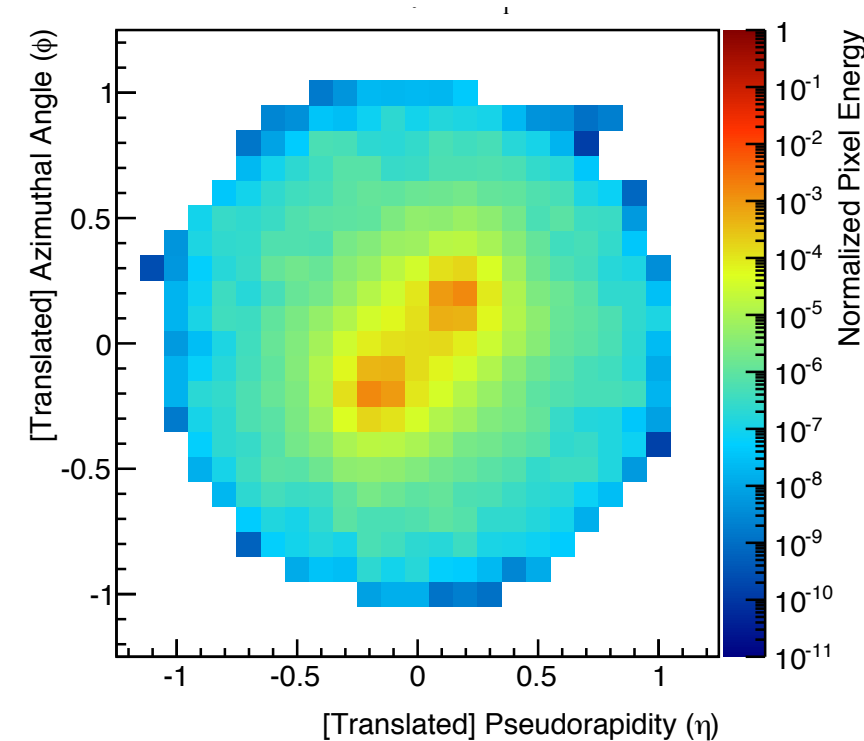
- essentially the only (nearly) direct measurement of a parton splitting function
- pure source of gluon jets (though complicated by B-hadrons)

## Non-perturbative QCD

- pure source of color octets →

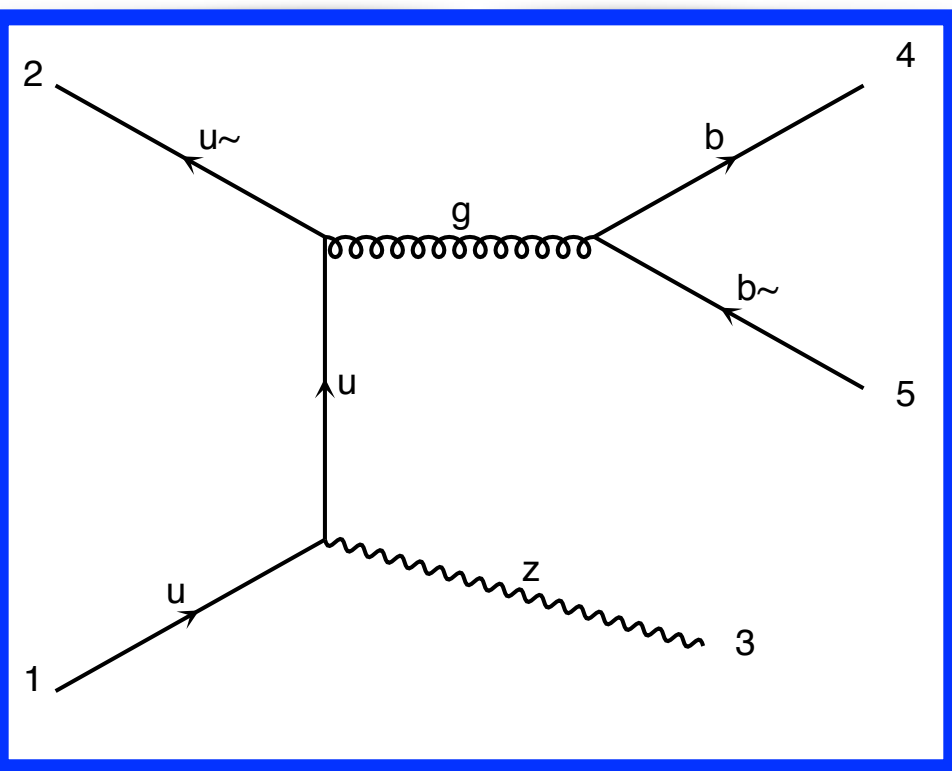
## Higgs Boson (self-coupling)

- important background to many Higgs processes (VH, HH, BSM)



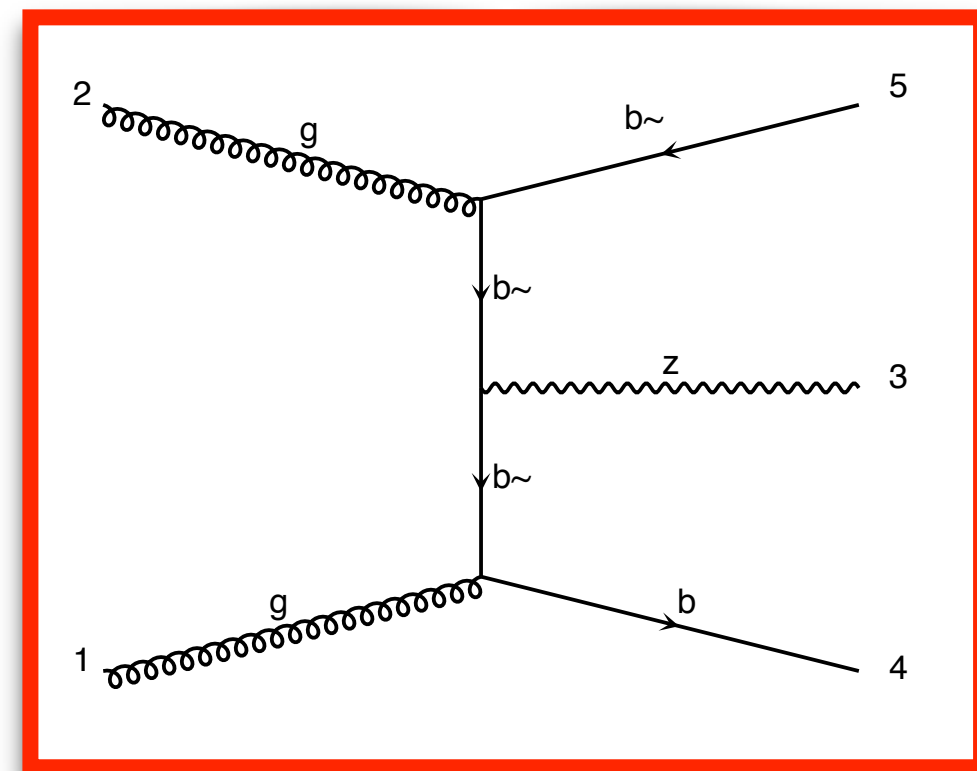
So far, several 7 TeV measurements ( $bb$ ,  $Z+b(b)$ ,  $W+b(b)^*$ )

I'll send a few minutes highlighting what has been done so far.

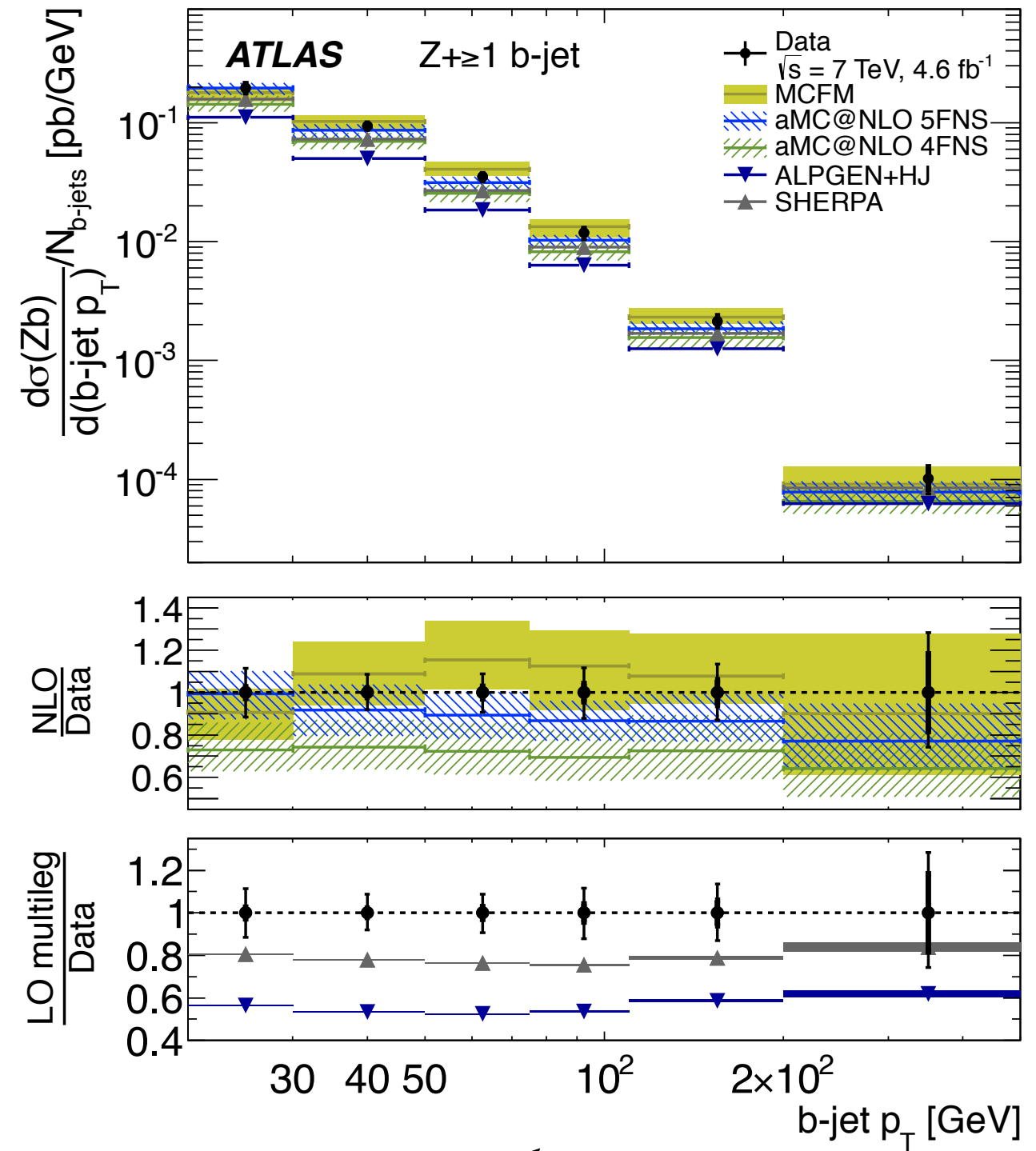
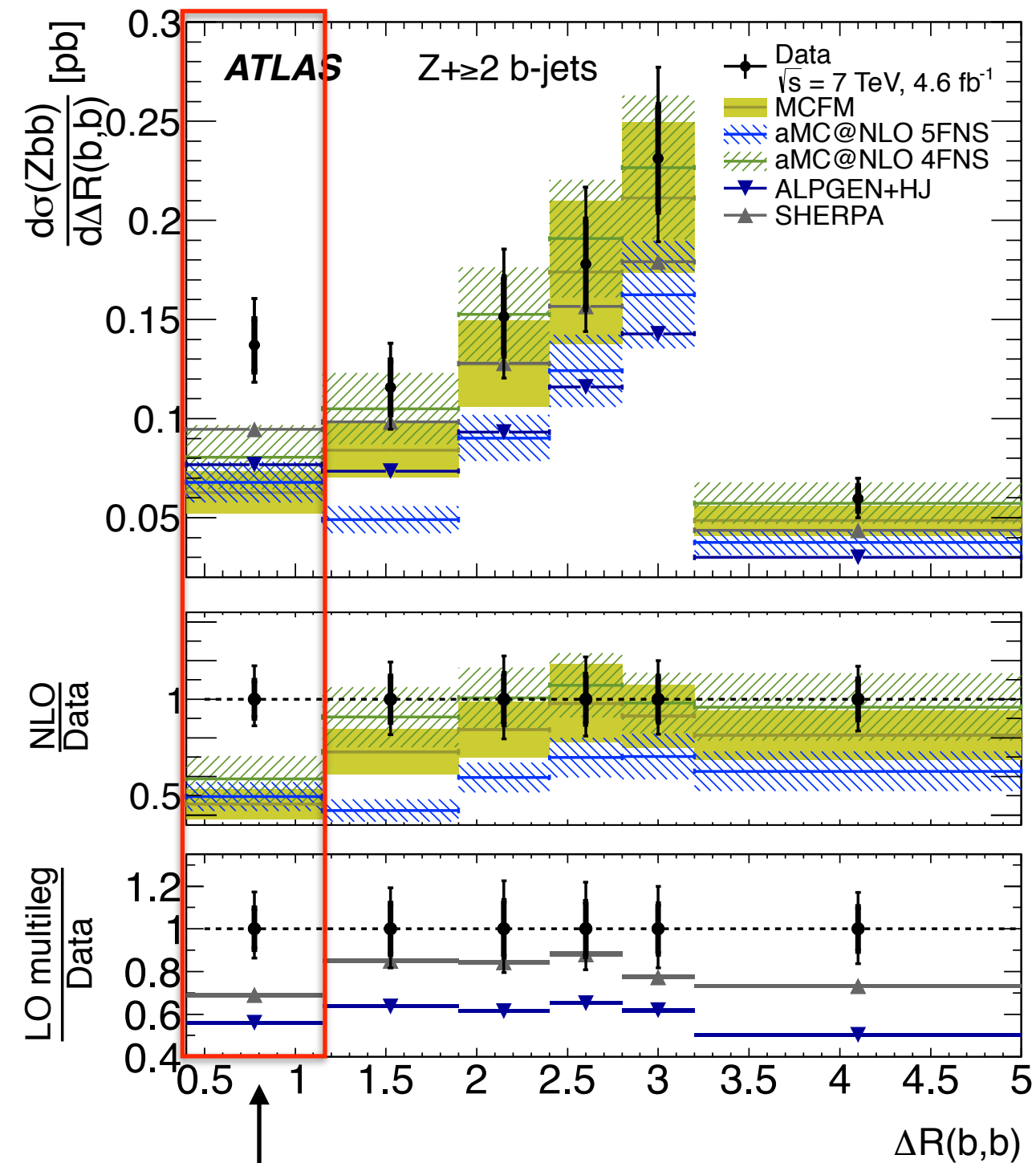


Not FS gluon  
splitting →

← enhance  
by looking at  
low DR

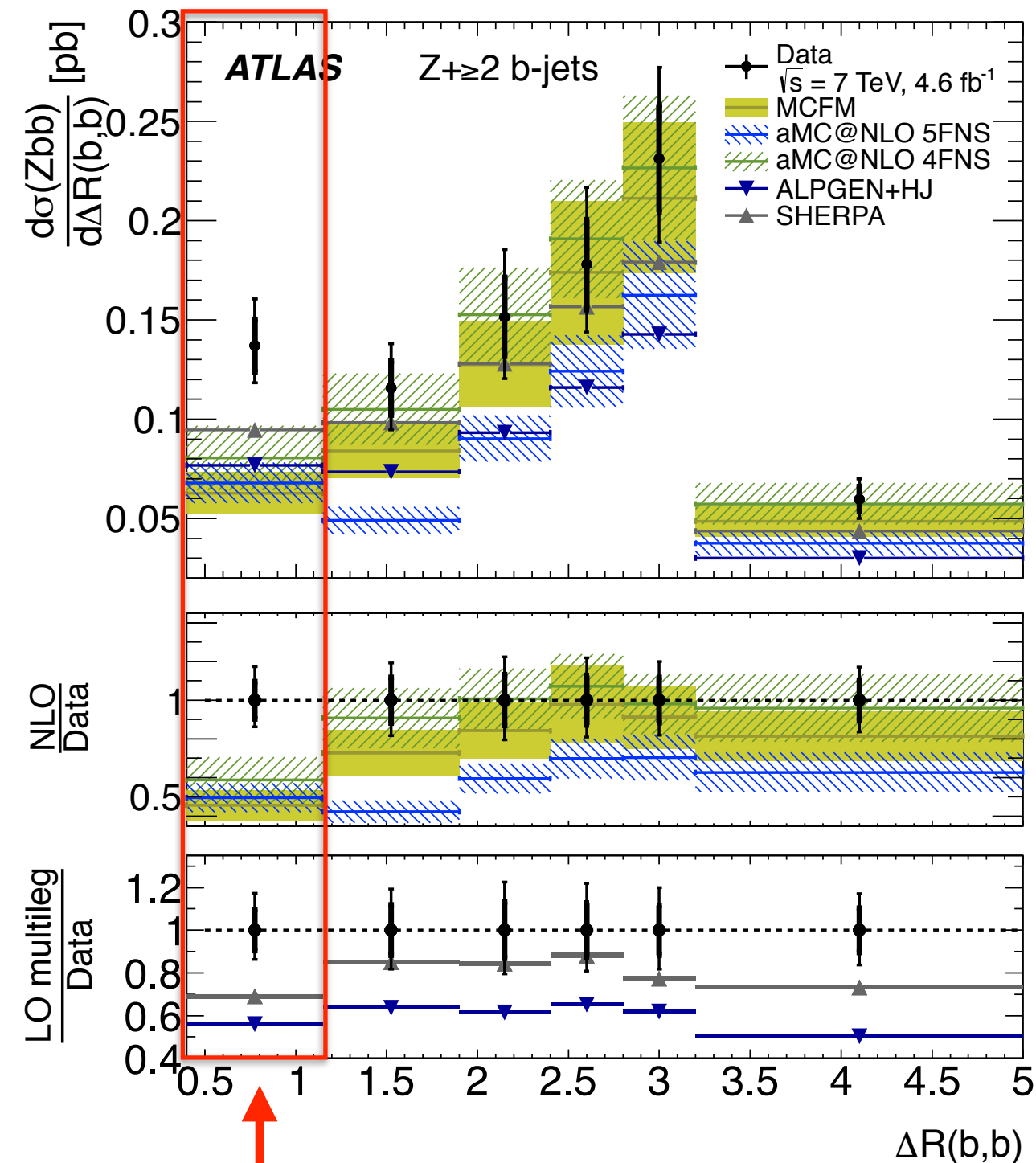


Why no gamma+bb? For gluon splitting,  
this is more interesting than  $Z+bb$

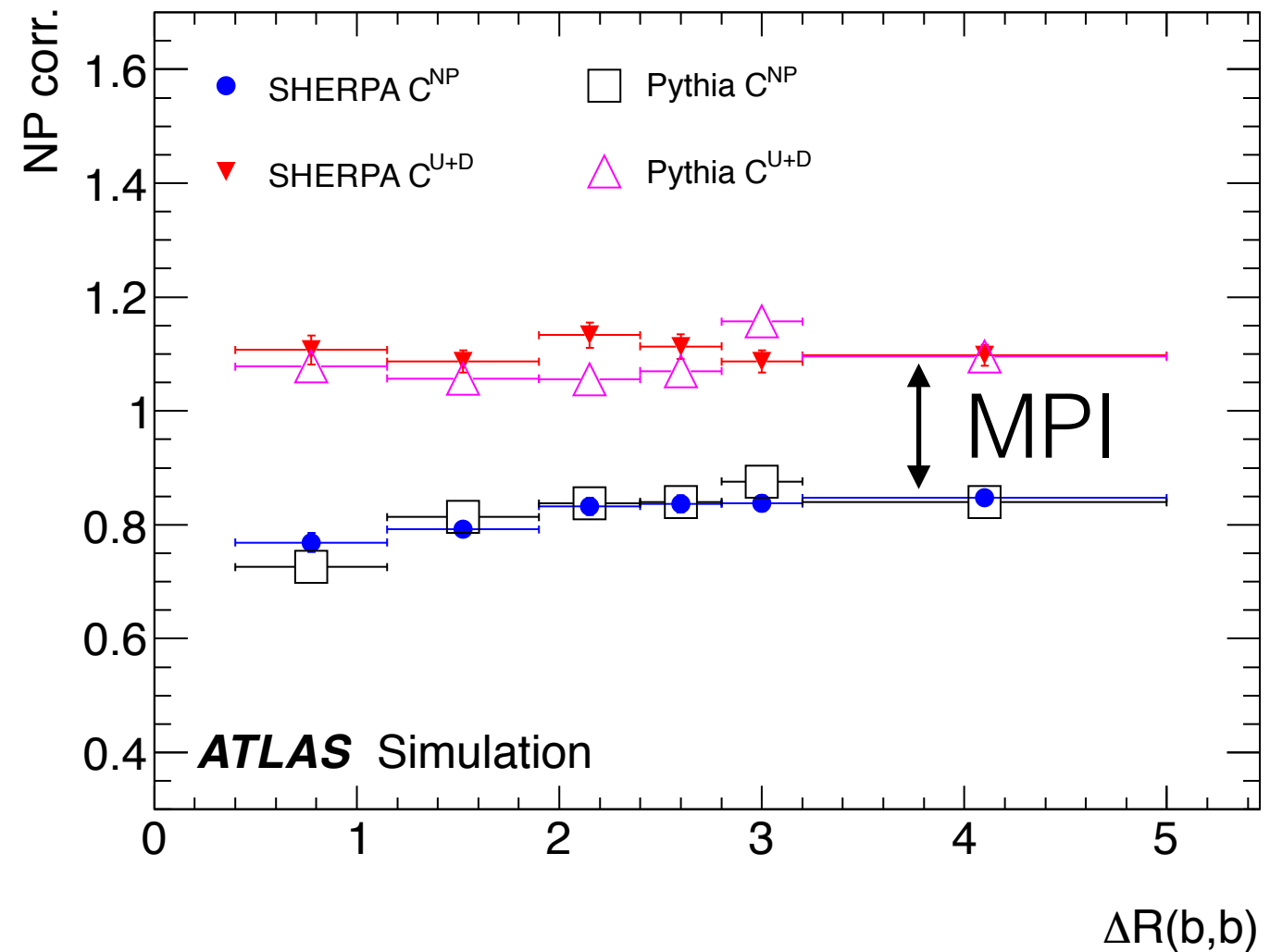


Approaching the PS  
phase space

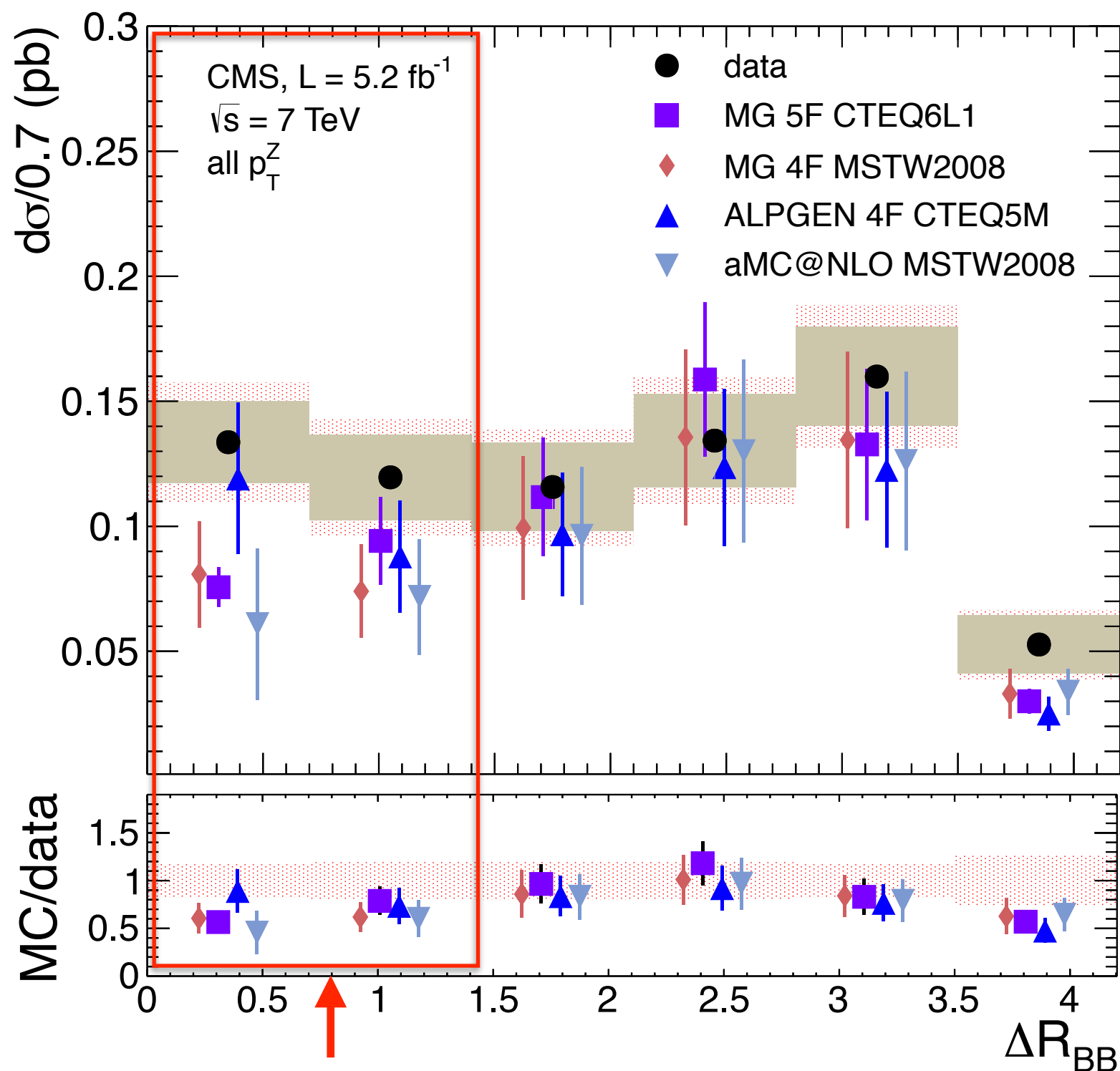
Relatively low  $p_T$  regime



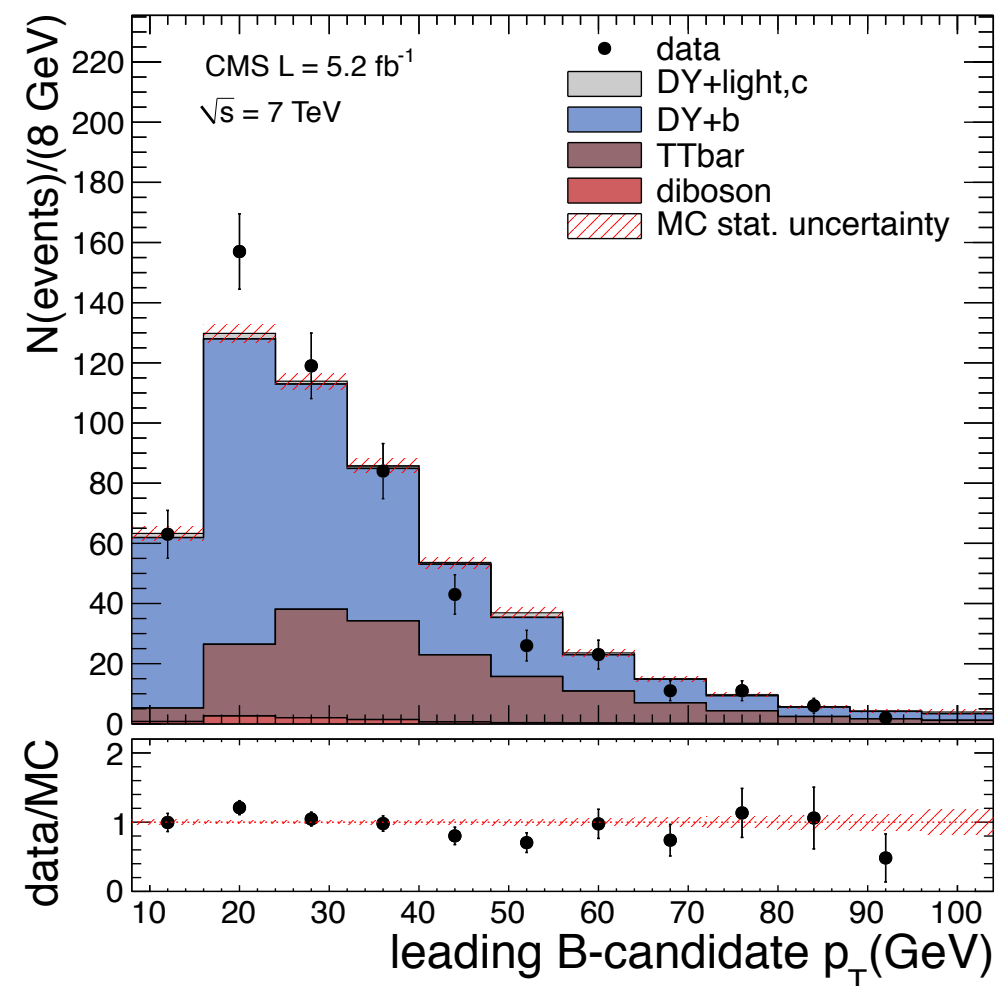
↑  
Dominated by  
gluon splitting



*Interestingly, MPI is a relatively big effect here.*

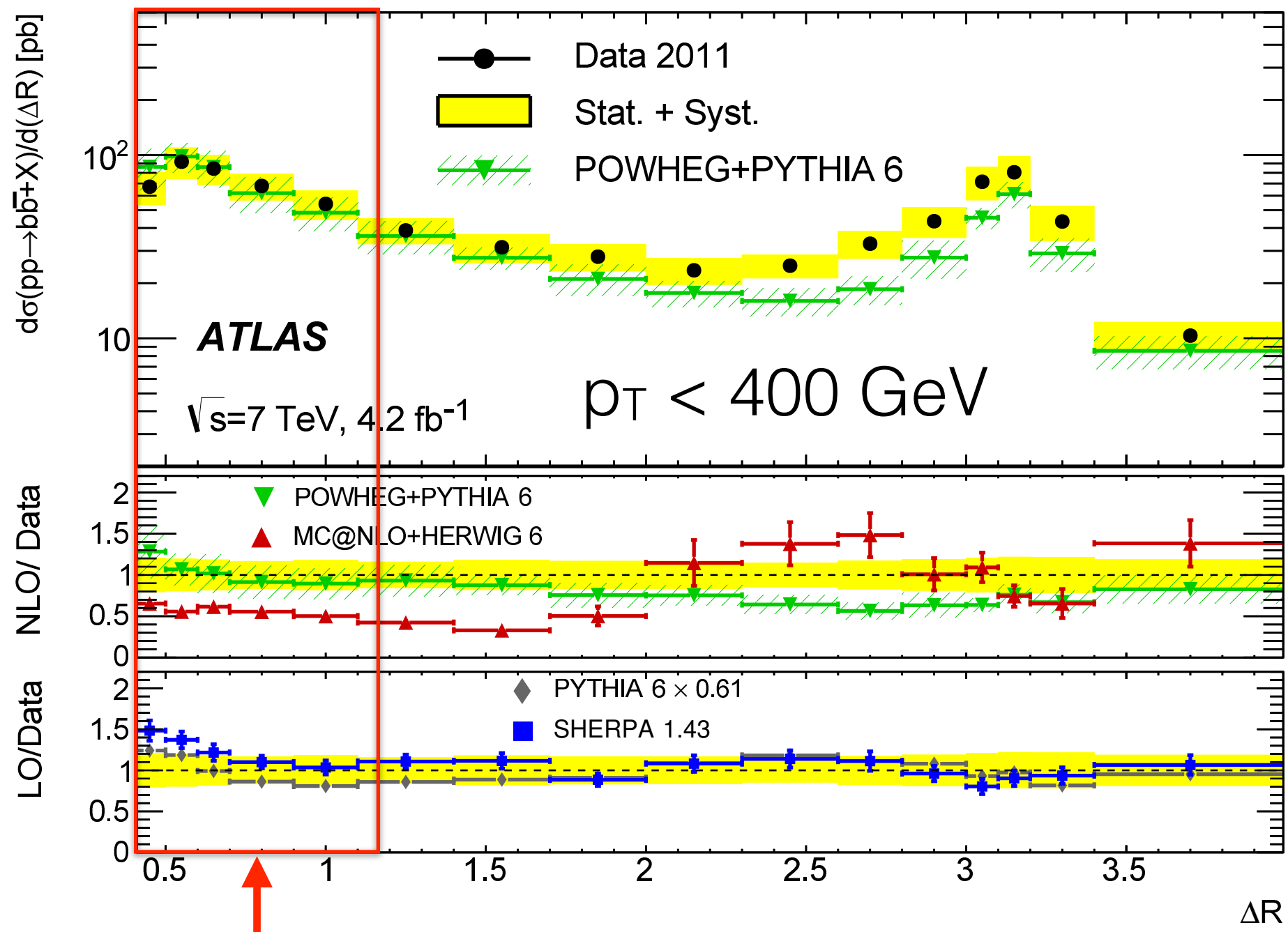


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>> Inclusive cross-section with two b-jets

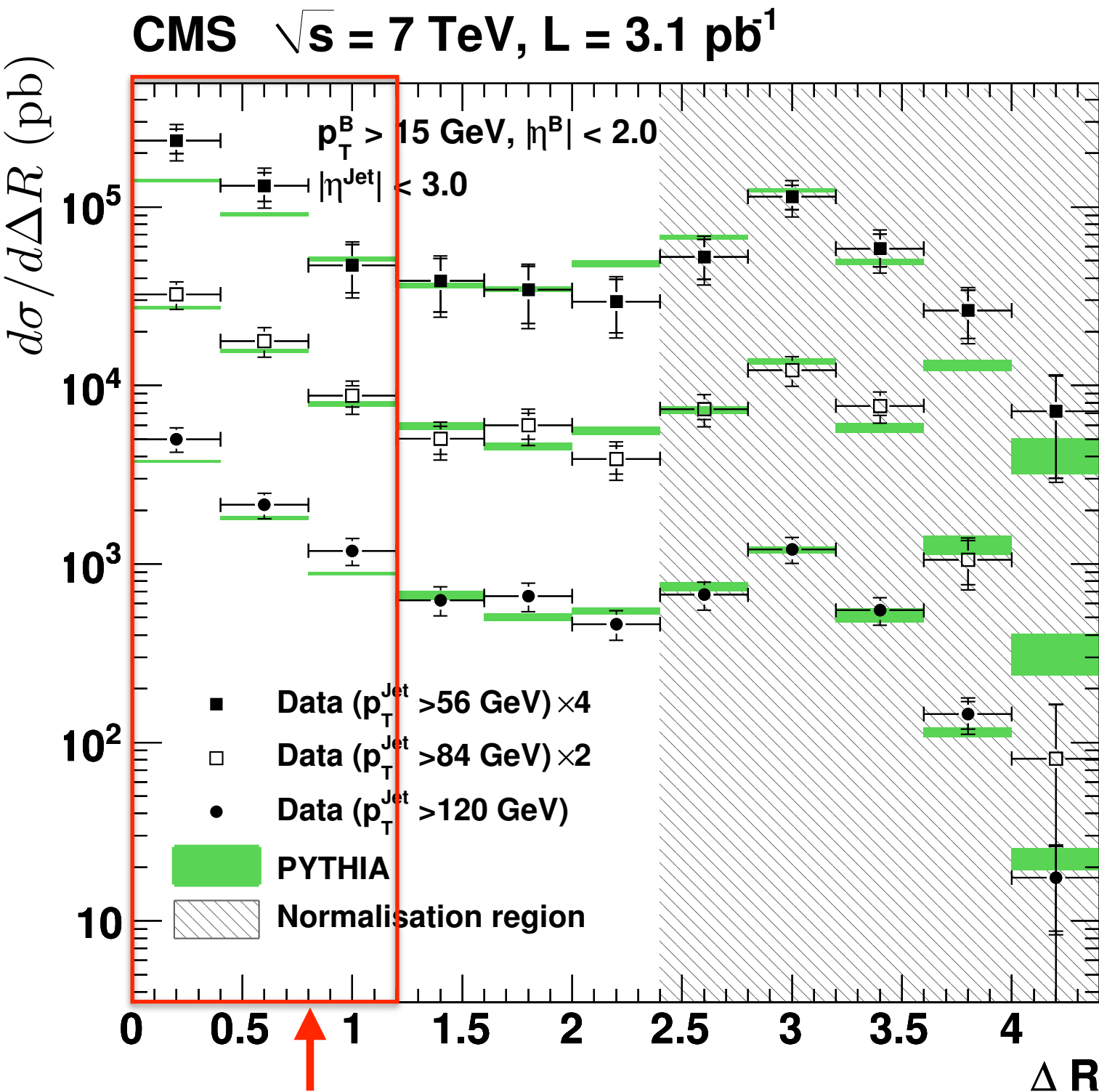
Higher  $p_T$  (though still relatively low) - trigger limited at low  $p_T$



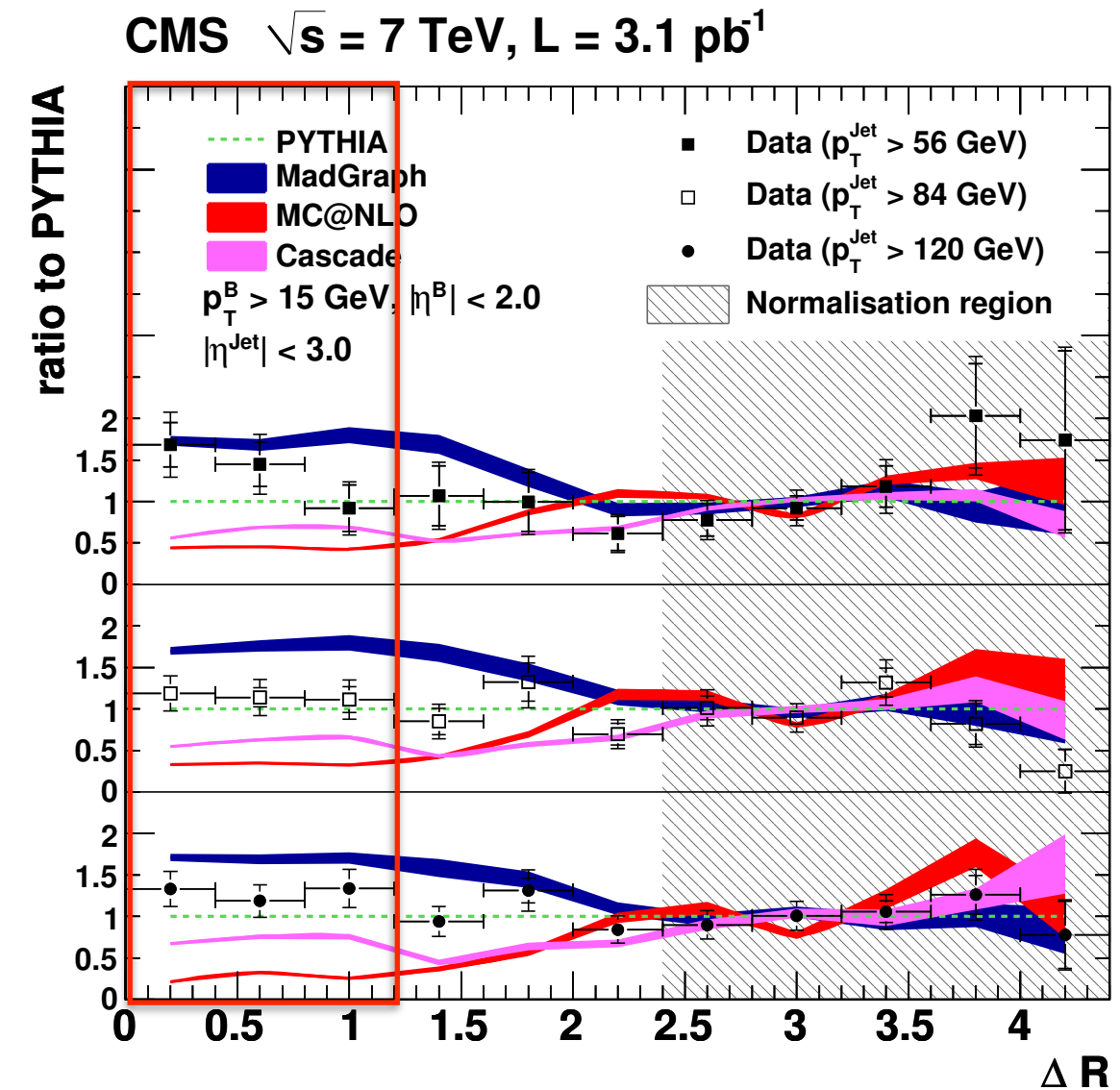
Starting to see the shape in the gluon-splitting dominated regime

(note that the theory comparisons here are rather dated)



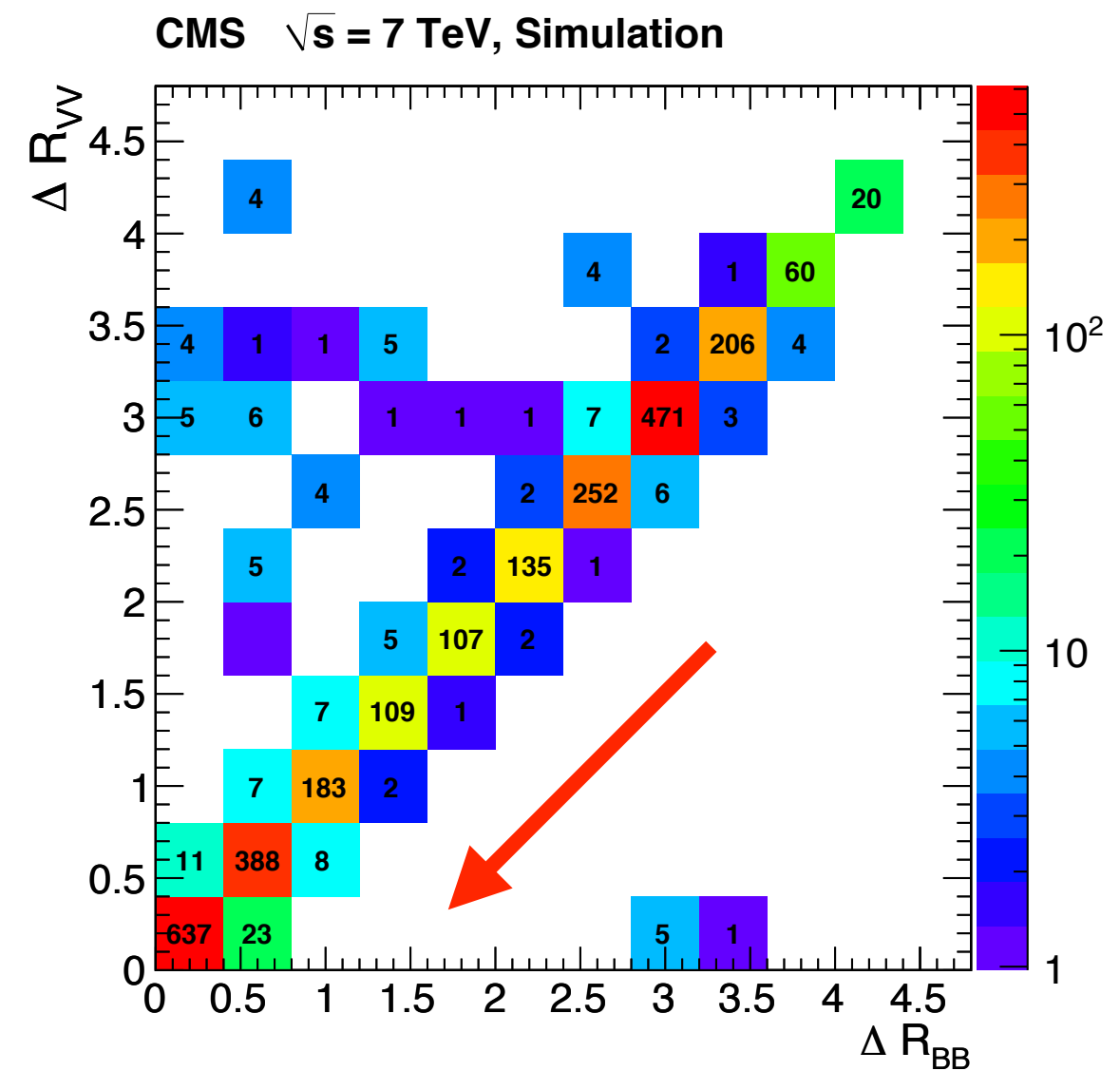
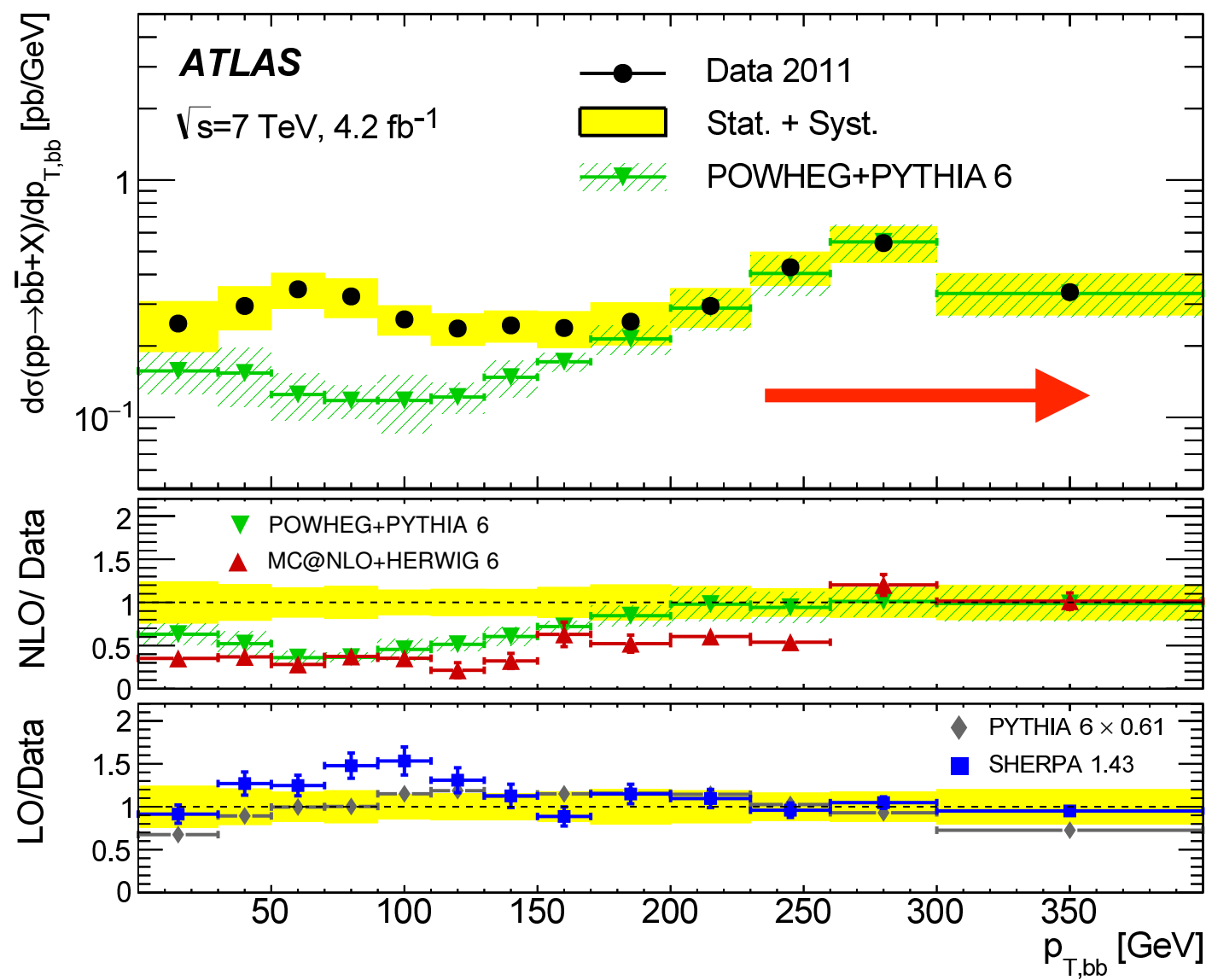


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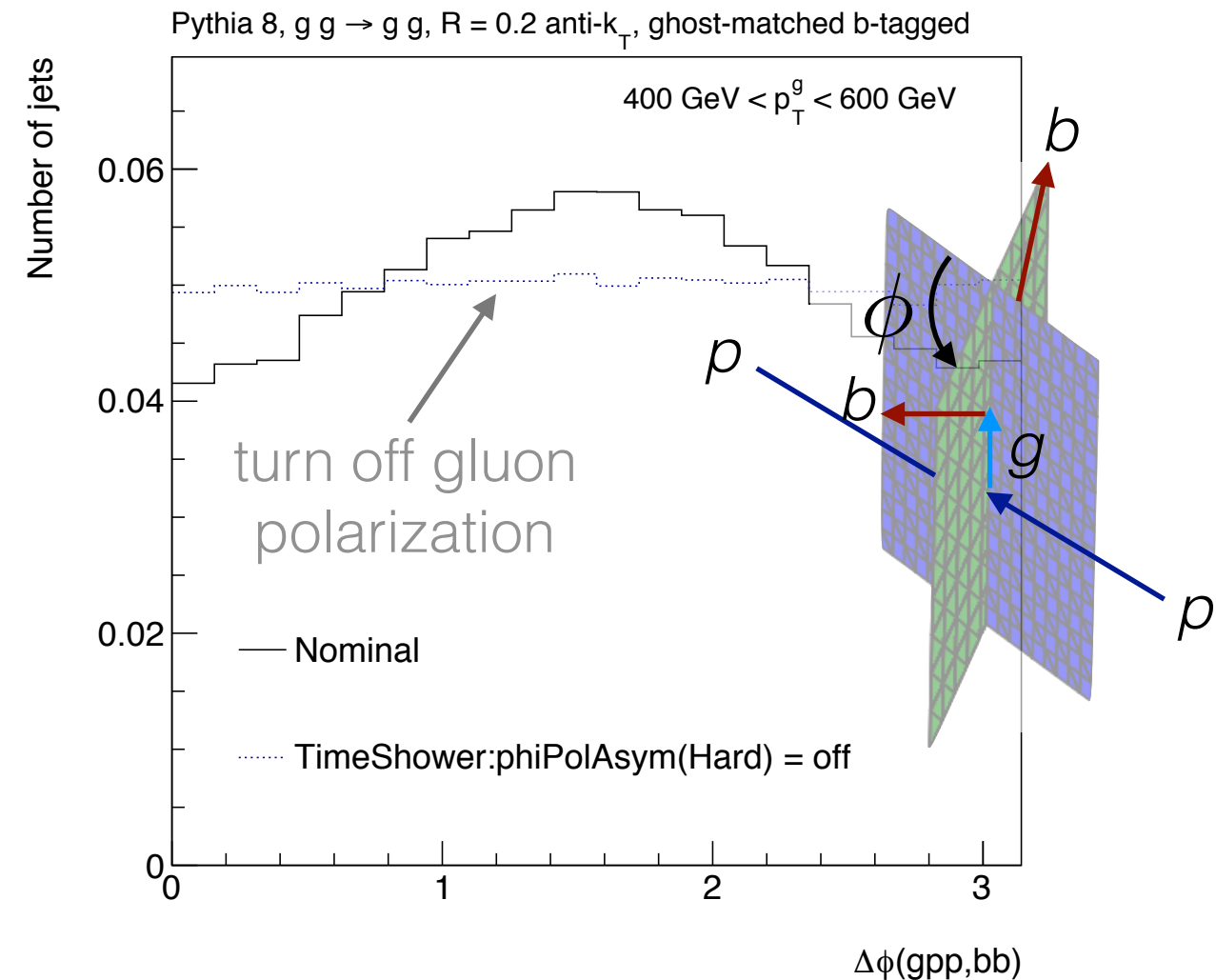
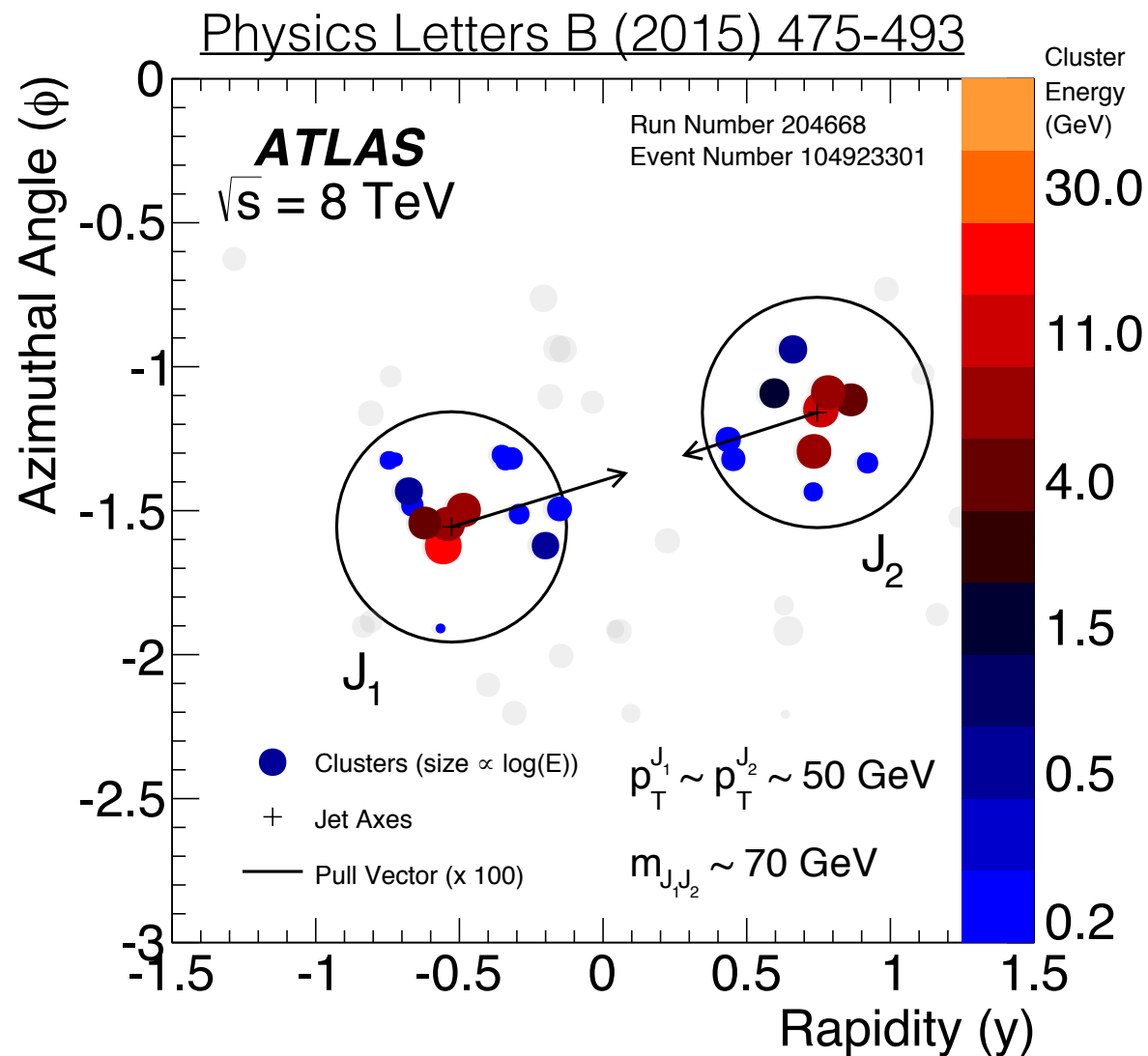


As with the ATLAS result,  
significant differences with the  
MC (though Pythia is not so  
bad), though the comparisons  
there are by now outdated.

What does it look like with more data, higher  $p_T$ ,  
and state-of-the-art simulation?



>> STAY TUNED <<

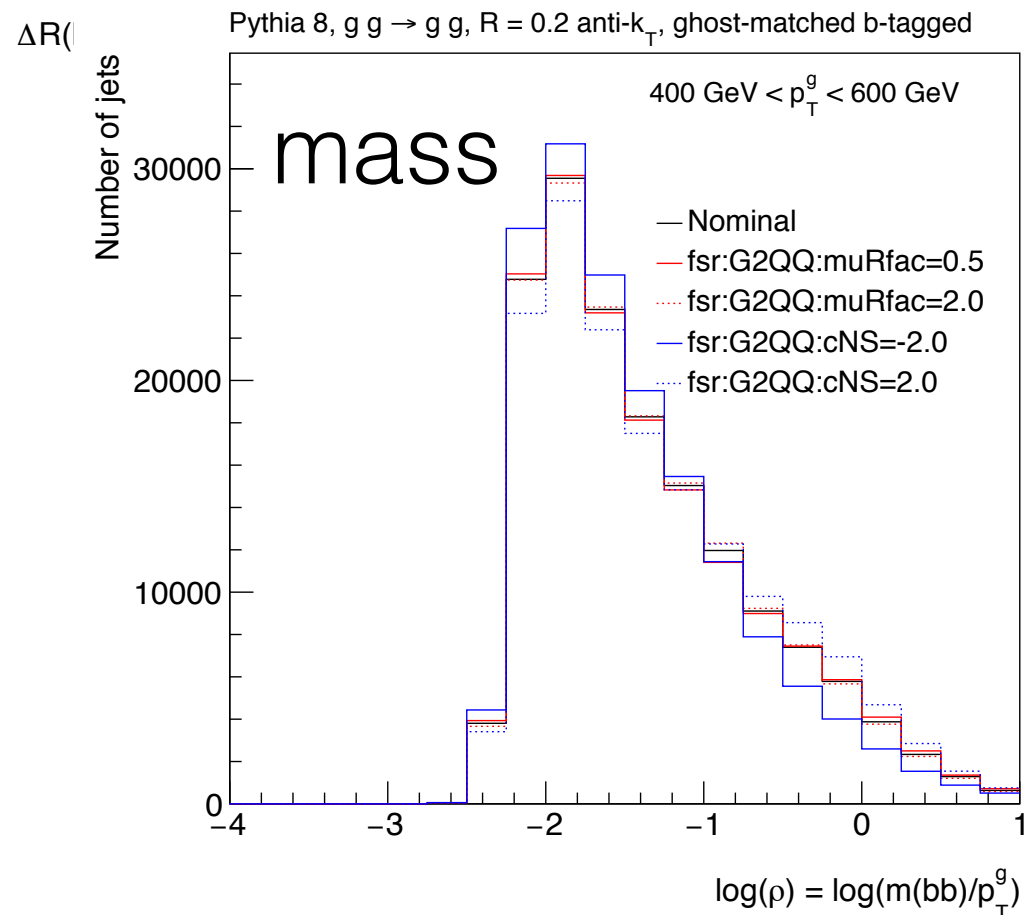
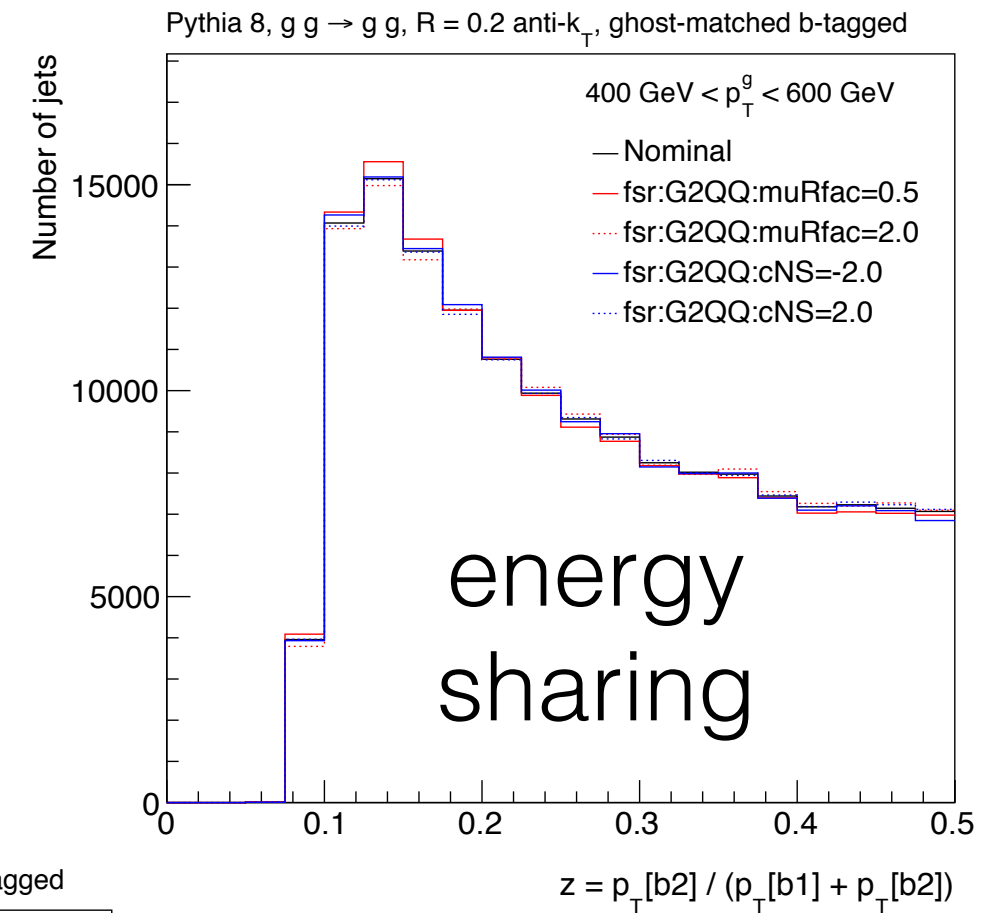
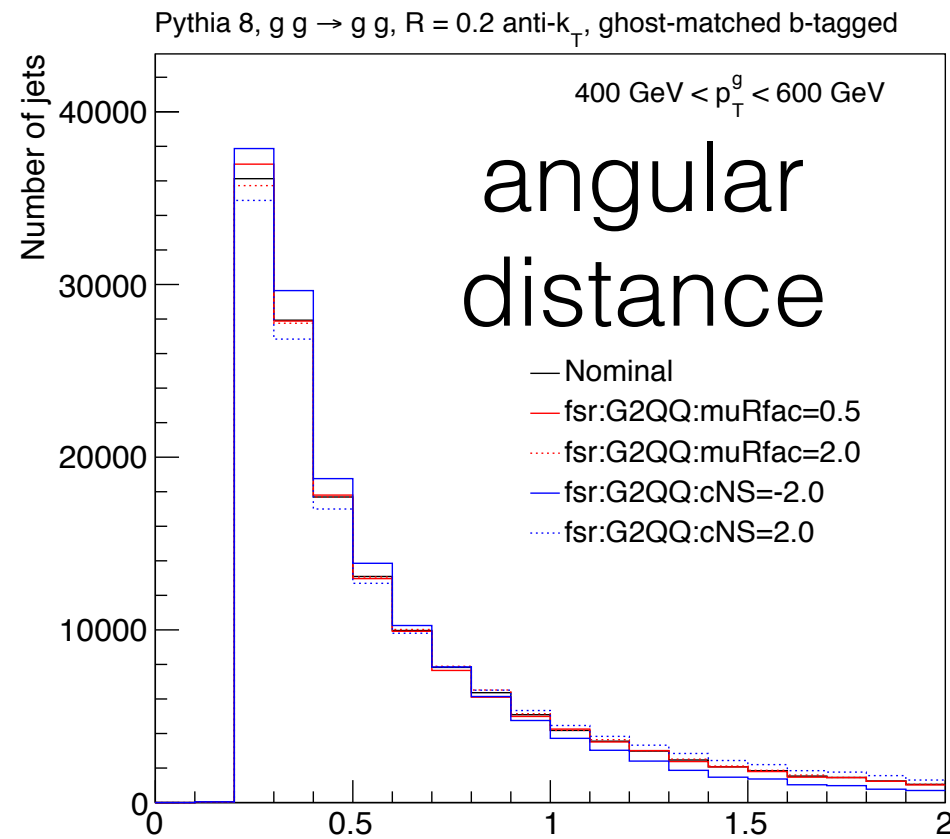


The singlet radiation pattern has been measured in  $W$  decays - should measure octet in  $g \rightarrow bb$ !

We should measure all aspects of the  $g \rightarrow bb$  production (angles + energies)

# What else can and should we measure?

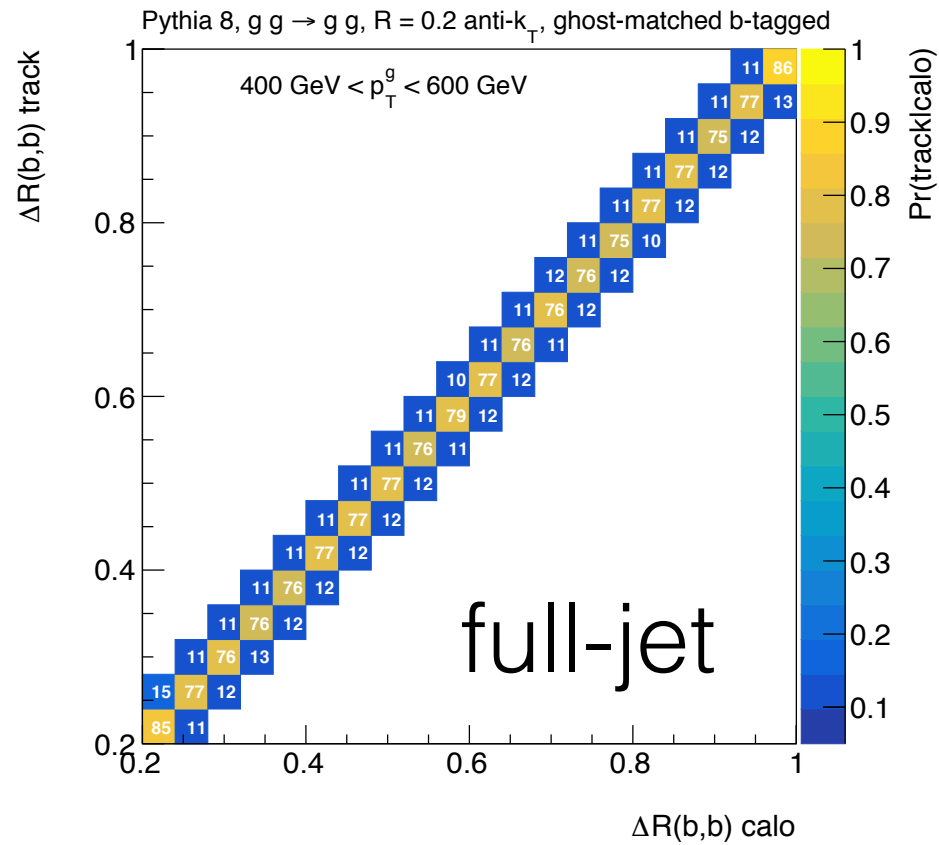
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all the lines: tuning nobs in Pythia to see the sensitivity to the modeling of  $g \rightarrow bb$

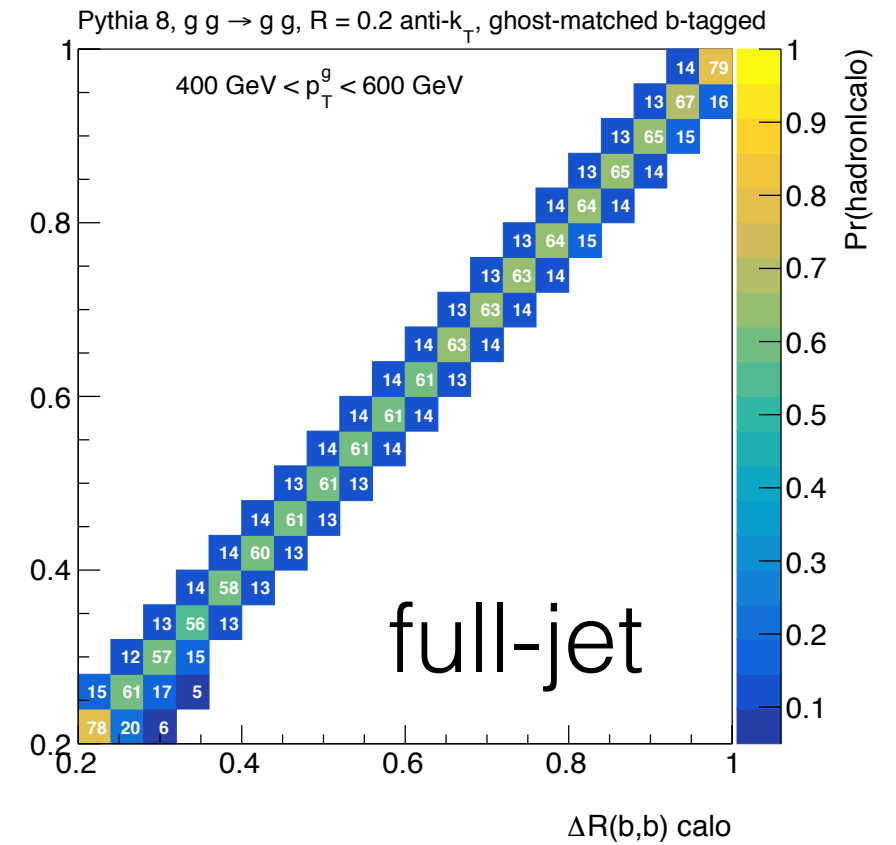
# Caution: do we measure partons, hadrons, or (track) jets? 13

track-jet

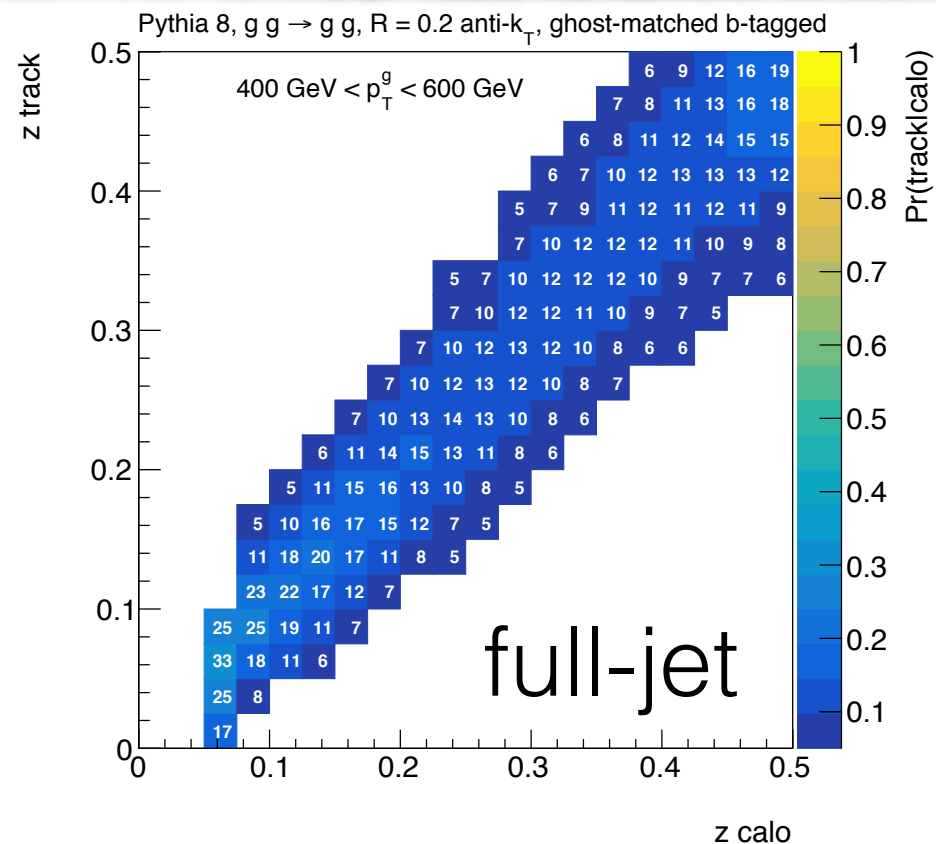


angular  
distance

hadrons

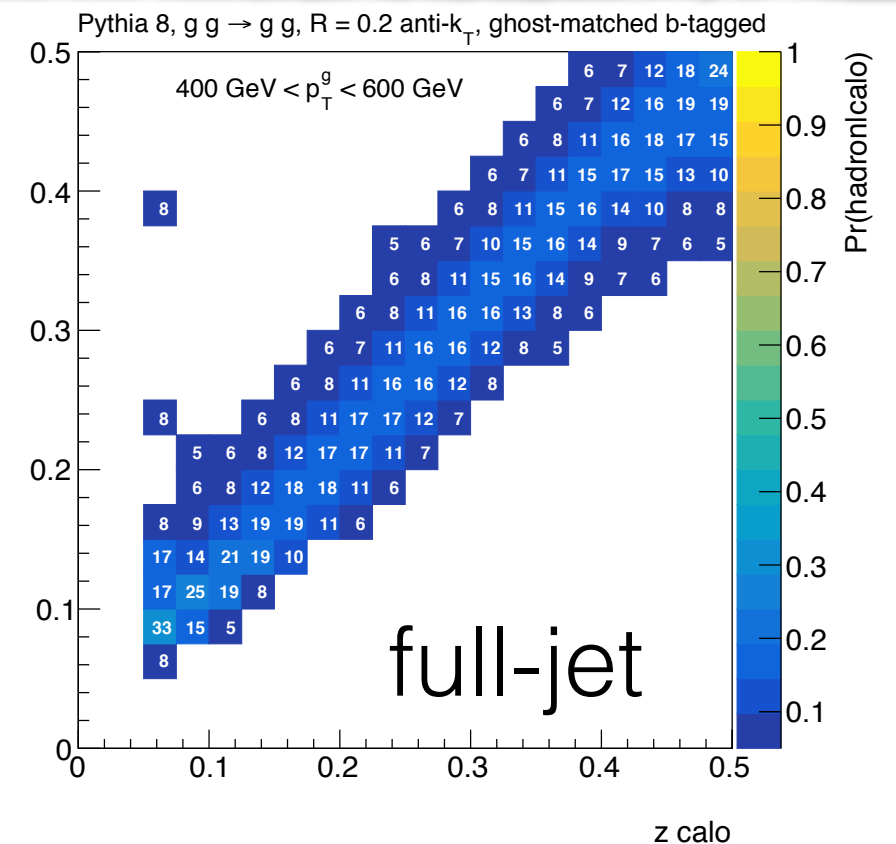


track-jet

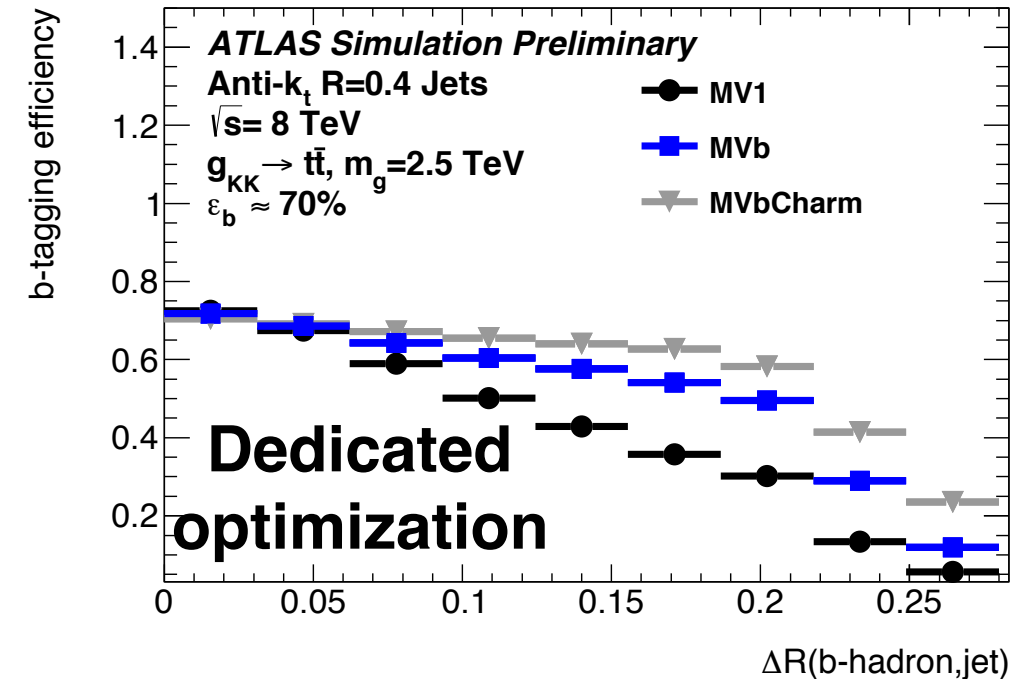
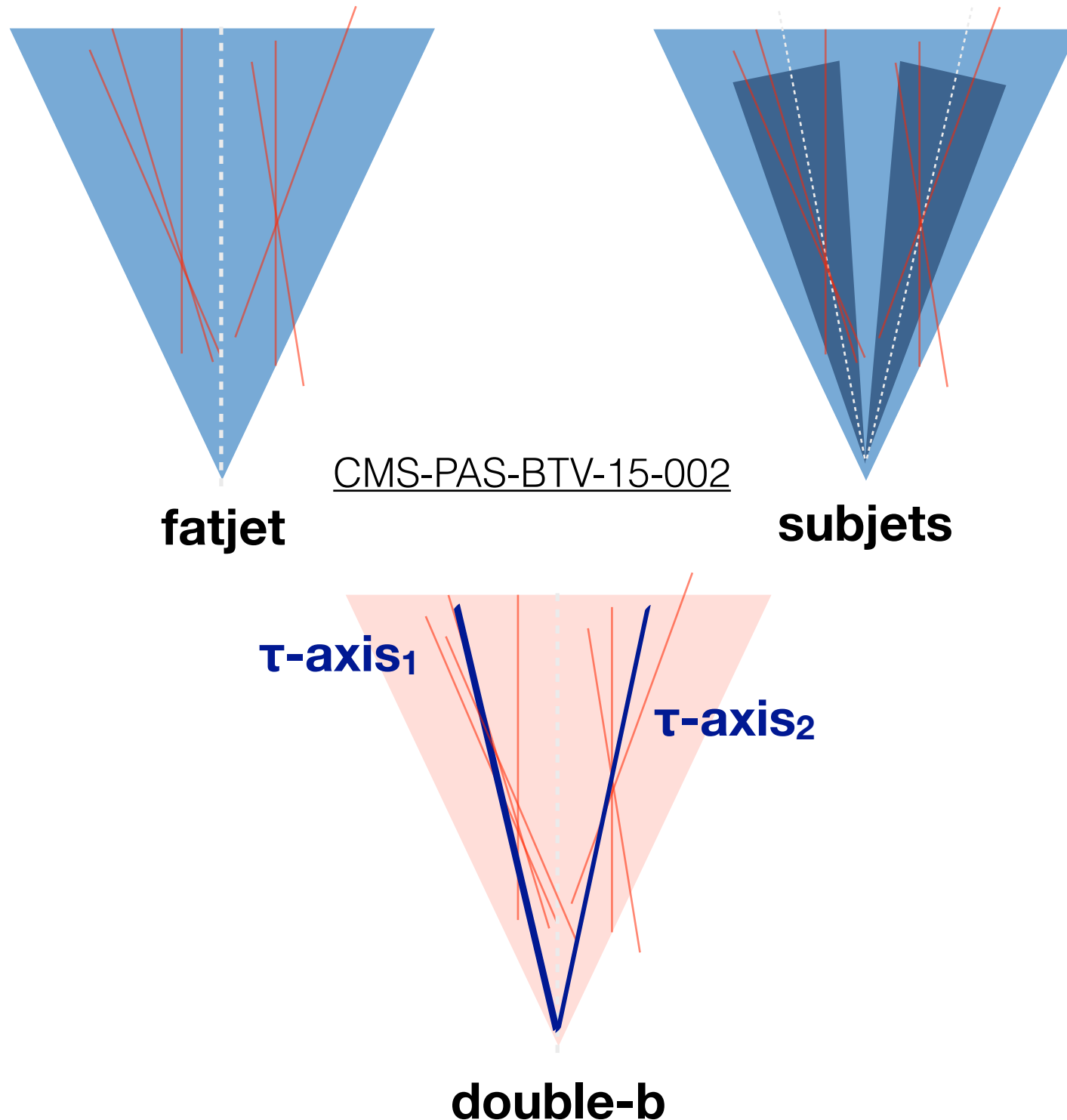


energy  
sharing

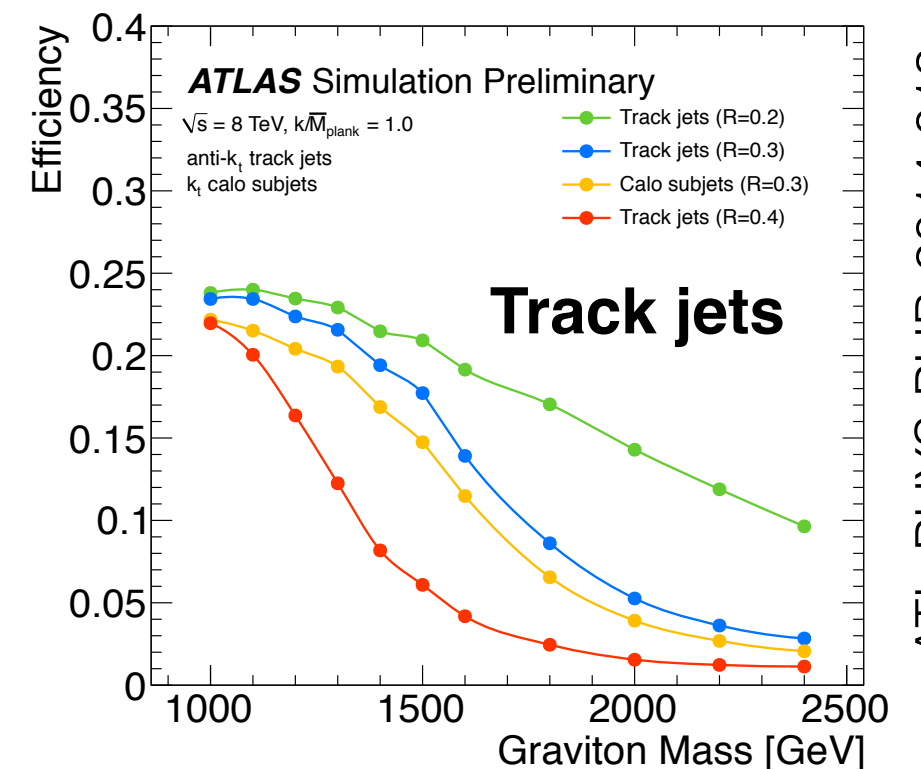
hadrons



Since 7 TeV, there has been a lot of work to improve b-tagging inside jets and to measure the efficiency in data.

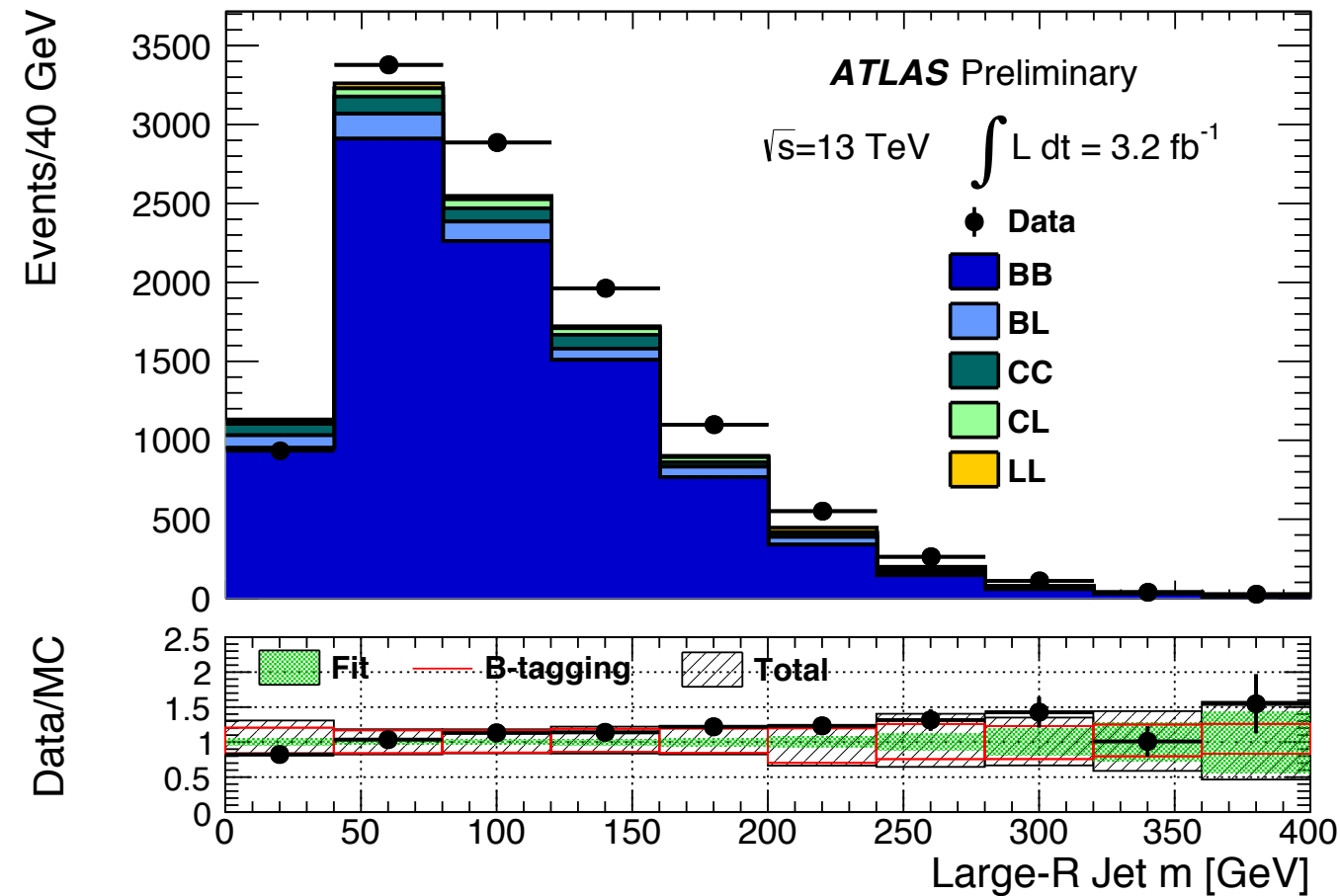
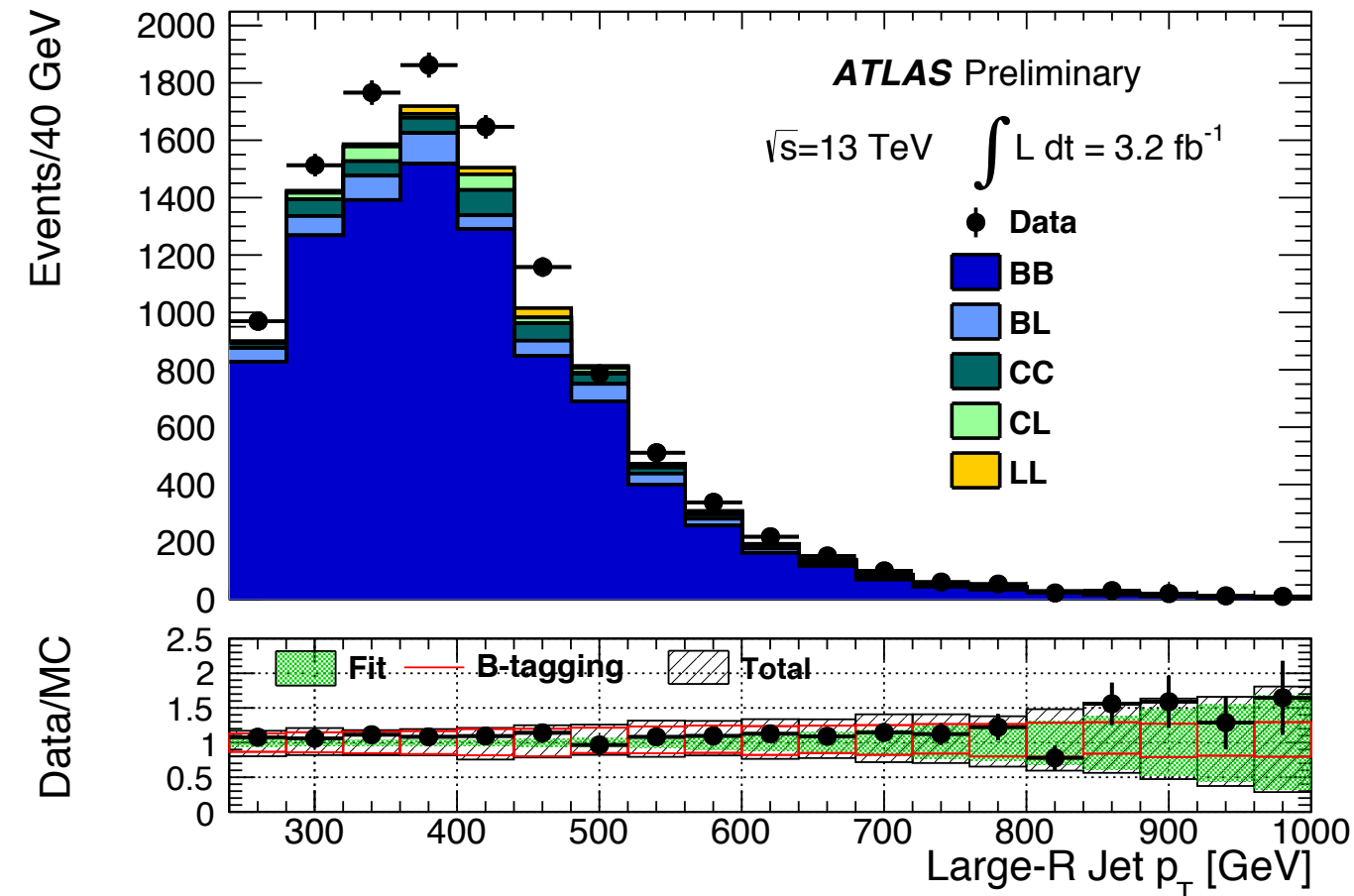


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*R = 0.2 anti-k<sub>t</sub> track jets*

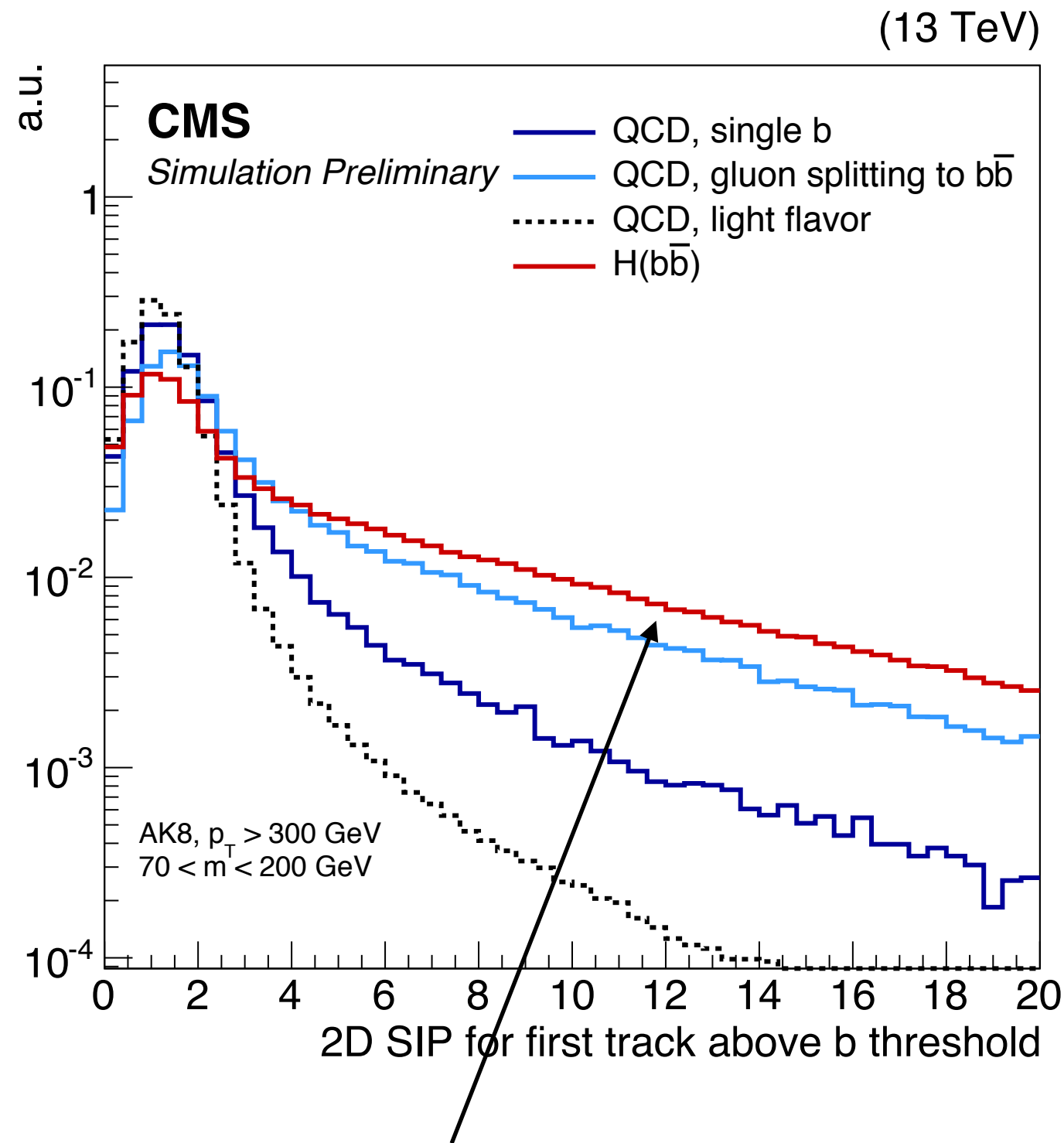


With the full Run 1 and Run 2 datasets, there are plenty of gluon jets for studying the modeling of double b-tagging  
 (in this case, use muons to increase purity)

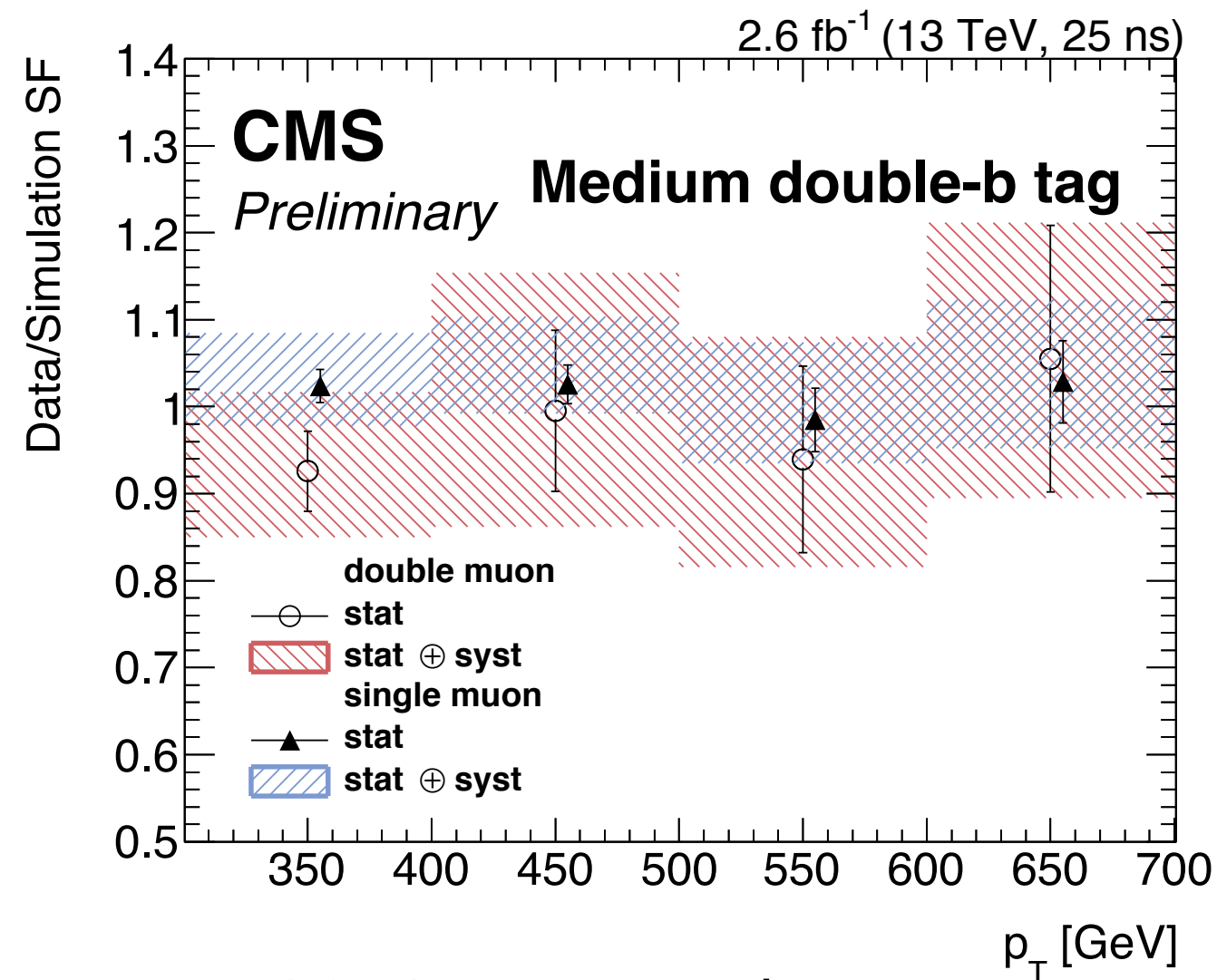
>> 7 TeV double b-tagger

>> 8 TeV analysis





Higgs and  $g \rightarrow b\bar{b}$   
are very similar!

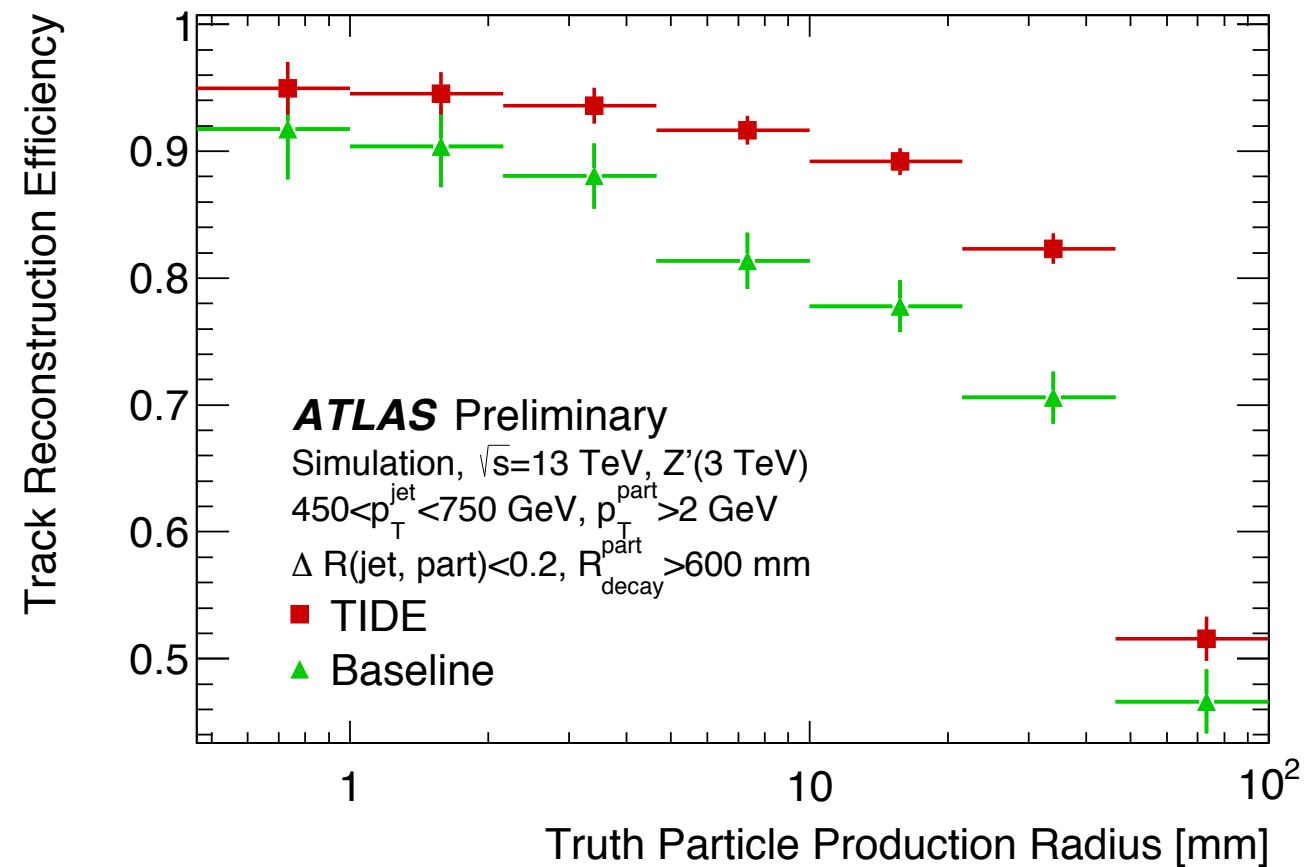
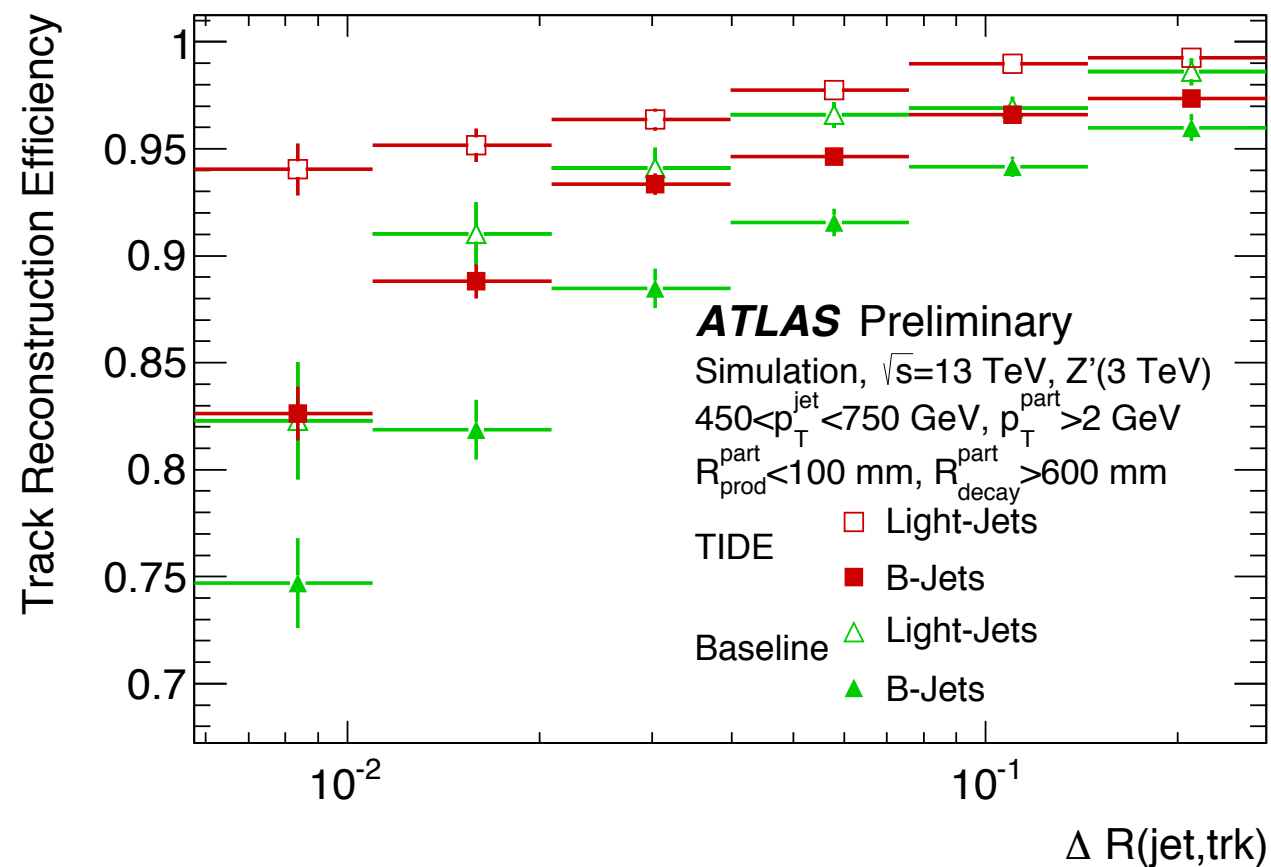


$\sim 10\%$  uncertainty;  
stats limited

$\gg 8$  TeV analysis



Note: in order to maintain b-tagging performance, it is critical to have dedicated methods for tracking inside jets



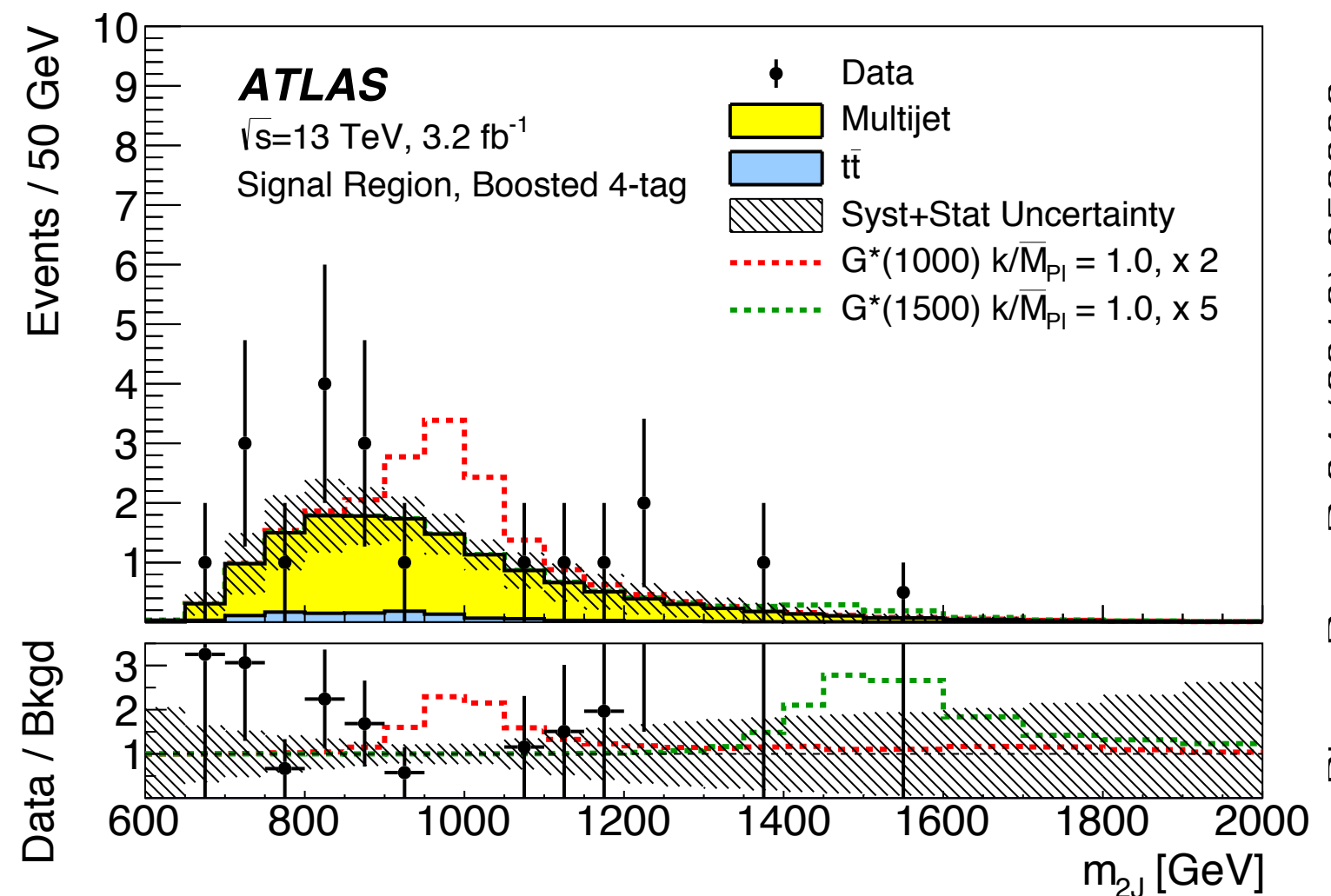
Algorithmic improvements are (much) cheaper than hardware ones - it is important to optimize performance when designing a new detector!

>> Similar studies in CMS

The Run 2 efforts are motivated by (boosted) Higgs tagging.

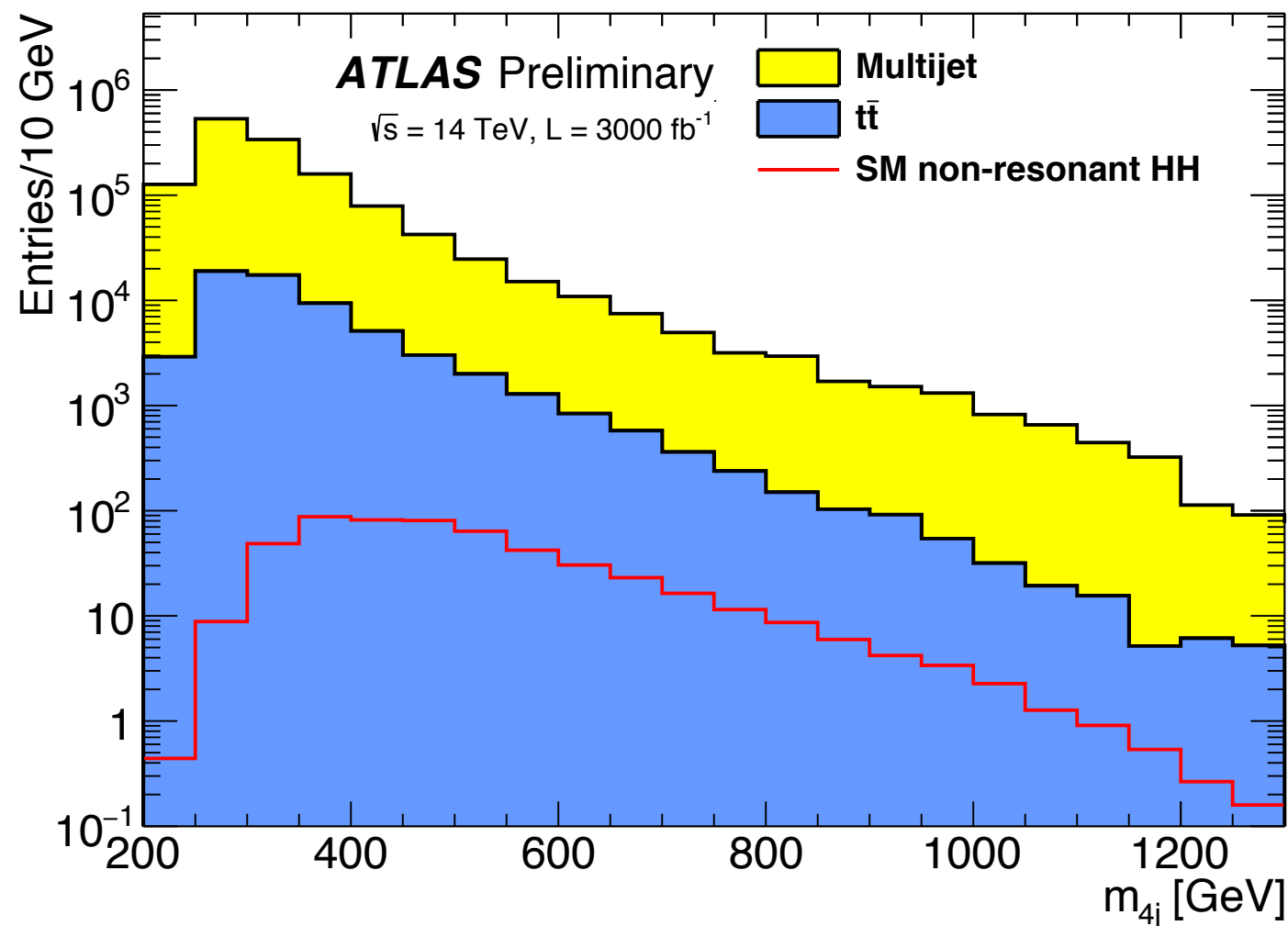
For many of these searches,  $g \rightarrow b\bar{b}$  is the main background.

Data-driven techniques are used because the MC is not reliable (still needed to check closure)



Is this something that could change in the next 10 years?

>> Similar CMS result



For example, one of the most challenging and important measurements is the Higgs self-coupling.

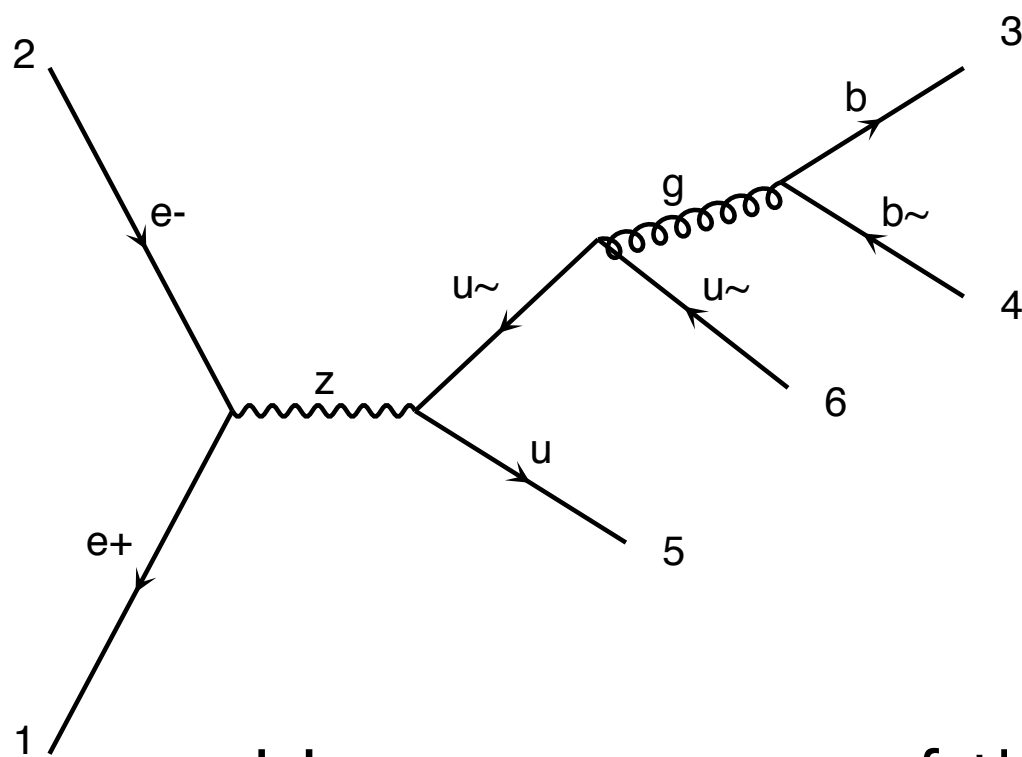
The  $g \rightarrow b\bar{b}$  background is complicated, but maybe a better understanding could be a game-changer here!

>> CMS HH projections

Source	$\Delta\mu$
Luminosity	0.05
Jet Energy	0.09
$b$ -tagging	0.34
Theoretical	0.10
Multijet	1.85
$t\bar{t}$	2.83

At a lepton collider, we would have an experimentally and theoretically clean environment for studying  $g \rightarrow b\bar{b}$

>> no pileup, UE, MPI, etc. <<



LEP measurements limited to inclusive rates of  $g \rightarrow b\bar{b}$

can probe pQCD to high precision by measuring properties of the splitting

However, one of the most exciting prospects of FCC-ee is to perform a series of comparative measurements of  $g \rightarrow b\bar{b}$ ,  $Z \rightarrow b\bar{b}$ , and  $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$

also, critical input for the Higgs at FCC-hh!

Double b-tagging is a very active area of R&D at the LHC

- >> Significant gains from low-level tracking and b-tagging optimization

- >> Data-driven calibrations and uncertainties using  $g \rightarrow b\bar{b}$

- >> QCD measurements using these techniques are, as expected, lagging the searches

FCC-ee offers an exciting opportunity for novel measurements

- >> In addition to measuring  $g \rightarrow b\bar{b}$  to unprecedented precision, we can compare  $g \rightarrow b\bar{b}$  (**vector octet**),  $Z \rightarrow b\bar{b}$  (**vector singlet**), and  $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$  (**scalar singlet**)!