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1 | Introduction

Particle physics research over the last century or so has provided us with our current basic understanding of the fundamental particles that have made up the universe since its origin, and their interactions with each other. This is summarised by the Standard Model (SM) of particle physics, which has been developed incrementally in recent decades and has stood up well to scientific scrutiny. The Large Hadron Collider (LHC) at the Organisation Européenne pour la Recherche Nucléaire (CERN) near the Swiss city of Geneva (Figure 1.1) was constructed with the aim of investigating the SM. Areas of current interest such as the electroweak symmetry breaking, the Higgs mechanism and physics beyond the SM (BSM) such as supersymmetry (explained in further detail in Section ??), require the acceleration of particles to high energies (of the order of several TeV). The start of data-taking from proton-proton collisions at the LHC in 2009 ushered in a new era in terms of energies at particle colliders, taking over as the highest energy particle collider from the TeVatron at Fermilab. In 2010 and 2011 the LHC collected data at a centre of mass energy of 7 TeV (5.1 fb^{-1}), followed by 8 TeV (21.8 fb^{-1}) in 2012 and currently in 2015 after Long Shutdown 1 at 13 TeV.

The Compact Muon Solenoid (CMS) general-purpose detector is one of four detectors located around the LHC (the others being ATLAS, LHCb and ALICE), approximately 100 m below ground level. The geographical site and location of the various experiments are shown in Figure 1.1.

This thesis presents an analysis based on the full proton-proton collision data from the CMS experiment in 2011 and 2012. The analysis investigates the top-antitop ($t\bar{t}$) differential cross section with respect to some global level event variables, looking specifically at semi-leptonic $t\bar{t}$ decays in the electron and muon channels. This work was carried out in collaboration

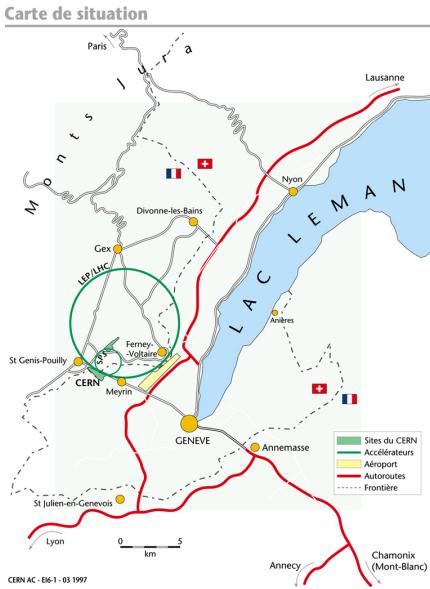


Figure 1.1: Map of LHC location.

with Emyr Clement, Lukasz Kreczko, Sergey Senkin, Philip Symonds under the supervision of Joel Goldstein and Greg Heath. The author's main contribution in these studies lay in development of the C++ and Python software frameworks and scripts] used in the analyses. Related to this, maintaining up-to-date particle object definitions, corrections, efficiencies and prescription recommendations from working groups within CMS was a large component of the author's work. In terms of the technical workflow employed, the author was heavily involved producing n-tuples from the analysis-ready AOD data format, running the software to perform the prescribed analysis methods and running final scripts on the output ROOT data to perform the final calculation and to produce results plots and tables. Particular areas of focus regarding physics included synchronisation of the event selection and comparison of distribution shapes between 7 TeV and 8 TeV data, implementing aspects of the analyses such as selection criteria, b-tagging and jet energy resolution. Also included in this thesis is a description of the author's service work contribution to the CMS experiment, a requirement of all members of the CMS collaboration.

Chapter 2 describes the LHC and the CMS detector, including information about the object reconstruction process based on detector readout, to represent particles produced in collisions. Chapter ?? provides an overview of the Standard Model theory and some of its shortcomings.

The main $t\bar{t}$ differential cross section analysis is then covered in Chapters 6,7 and 8. To conclude, chapter 9 contains a summary and outlook to the future. Additional data, tables and plots are given in Appendices A and finally, the author's service work is outlined in Appendix B.

From the outset, natural units are used throughout this thesis, unless otherwise specified, so that

$$\hbar = c = 1, \quad (1.1)$$

meaning that mass, momentum and energy all have the same units of electronVolts (eV).

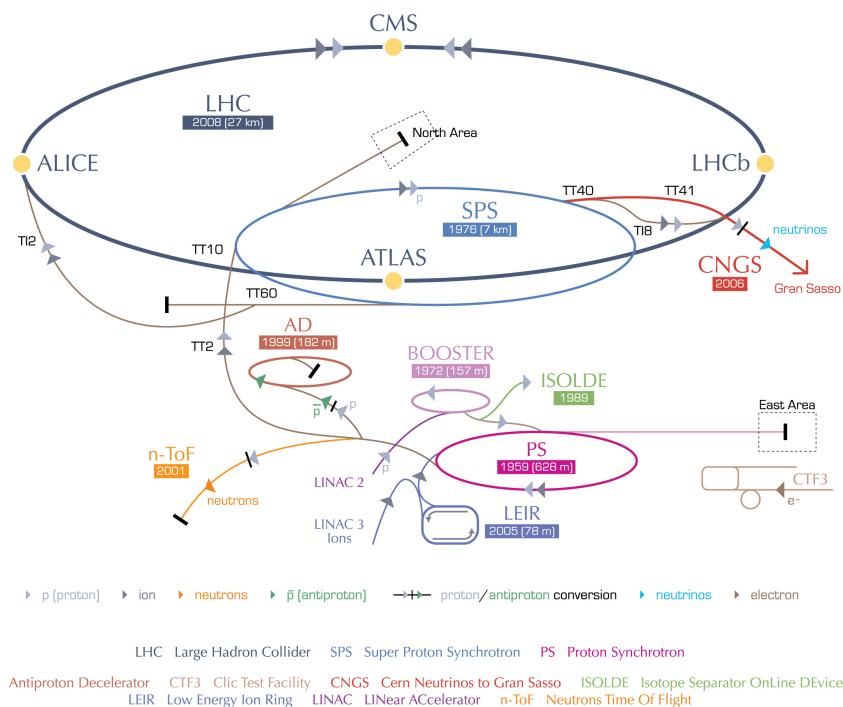
2 | The CMS Detector at the LHC

2.1 Introduction to the LHC

The LHC at the CERN was constructed with the aim of investigating various aspects of the Standard Model of physics. The Standard Model has stood up well to scientific scrutiny for several decades. However, areas of current interest such as the Higgs mechanism and the role electroweak symmetry breaking plays in it, and physics beyond the standard model such as supersymmetry (explained in further detail in Section ??), require the acceleration of particles to high energies (of the order of TeV). The Compact Muon Solenoid (CMS) general-purpose detector is one of four detectors located around the LHC, approximately 100 m below ground level. The geographical site and location of the various experiments are shown in Figure 2.1.

The 27 km circumference LHC can collide two proton beams, each composed of 2808 bunches, at a design energy of 7 TeV per beam (meaning a 14 TeV centre of mass energy in collisions) with a luminosity of $10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$ at a collision rate of 25 ns (40 MHz). In fact, in 2011 the machine ran at a centre of mass energy of 7 TeV at a bunch spacing of 50 ns (leading to 8 proton-proton interactions per bunch crossing) and CMS recorded a peak instantaneous luminosity of $3.7 \times 10^{33} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$. In 2012 the centre of mass energy was increased to 8 TeV (21 proton-proton interactions per bunch crossing) and CMS recorded a peak instantaneous luminosity of $7.7 \times 10^{33} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$. The design energy and luminosities mentioned previously are planned when data taking begins again after Long Shutdown 1 (currently scheduled to be around May 2015) and after Long Shutdown 2 (in 2019) respectively. 6.1 fb^{-1} and 23.3 fb^{-1} of data was delivered to CMS during the 2011 and 2012 data taking periods respectively; Figure 2.2 shows the increase in integrated luminosities delivered to CMS over time.

CERN's accelerator complex



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Figure 2.1: Schematic of LHC and experiments (bottom). CMS is located at Point 5 on the LHC ring.

The acceleration process begins with a tank of hydrogen. After stripping electrons off the hydrogen atoms using an electric field, the remaining protons are inserted into the LINAC2 which accelerates them up to 50 MeV. From here, the proton beam is injected into the Proton Synchrotron Booster (PSB) which increases the energy to 1.4 GeV, followed by the Proton Synchrotron (PS) which accelerates the beam to 25 GeV and the Super Proton Synchrotron (SPS) where the beam energy reaches 450 GeV. Finally, the protons are injected into the LHC where two beampipes carry the beams in a clockwise and an anti-clockwise direction while accelerating them up to the required collision energy. Filling the LHC rings takes approximately 4 minutes, followed by approximately 20 minutes until the beams reach energies of 4 TeV (during 2012 data taking). Once the collision energies have been attained, the counter-circulating beams are brought to collide at the four main LHC experiments CMS, ATLAS, LHCb and ALICE. ATLAS, like CMS, is a general purpose detector, ALICE is specifically designed to investigate heavy ion collisions (as opposed to protons), while LHCb investigates b-meson physics.

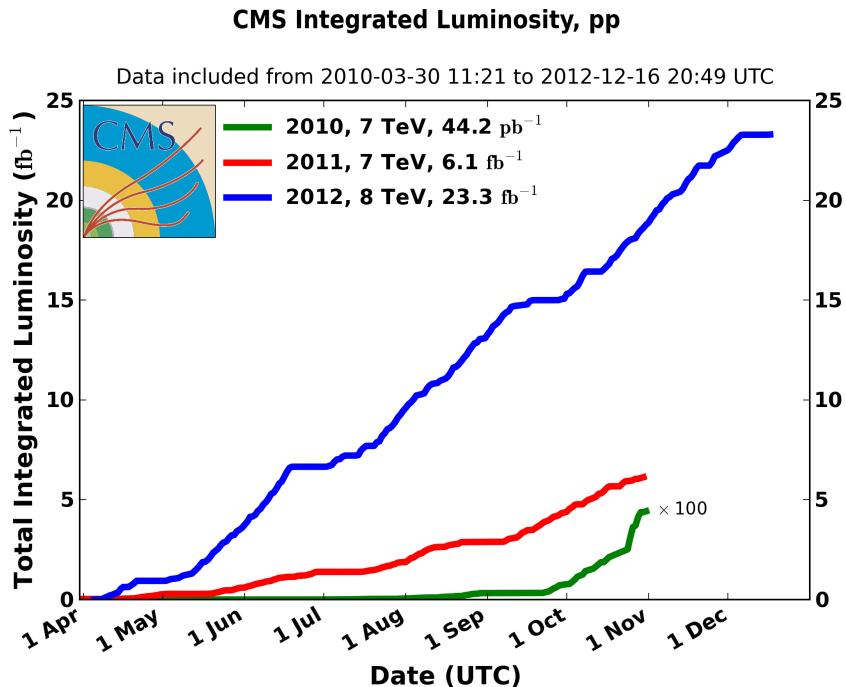


Figure 2.2: Cumulative luminosity delivered to CMS over time during 2010, 2011 and 2012 proton-proton data taking periods.

2.2 Overview of CMS

Compact Muon Solenoid is both the name of one of the detectors at the LHC, and of the collaboration of people worldwide who work to build, operate, maintain and upgrade it and to analyse the data recorded from it.

CMS is a general-purpose detector, designed to be efficient at detecting new physics with a wide range of signals. The detector measures 14.6 m in diameter, 21.6 m in length and weighs 12500 tonnes [24]. In general, the different components of CMS are arranged in concentric layers around the interaction point in the beam pipe, which is the point at which the two beams of proton bunches collide 2.3. As the products of any collisions that occur in the bunch crossing travel outwards from the interaction point, they pass through the various sub-detectors leaving signals as they do so. A subset of the information from some sub-detectors (the calorimeters and muon chambers, described in Section 2.3) is then processed by a trigger while information from other sub-detectors is buffered on the detector.

The design of CMS is based firstly around a superconducting solenoid magnet. Around and inside this magnet are the pixel and strip tracker, the electromagnetic calorimeter, the hadronic calorimeter, the return yoke for the magnet and the muon detectors. The coordinate system of the detector is designated with the origin as the intersection point of the two beams in the beam pipe, with the x-axis positive towards the centre of the LHC ring, with the y-axis positive vertically upwards and with the z-axis pointing along the beampipe in an anticlockwise direction. The azimuthal angle, ϕ , is defined as the angle in the x-y plane, transverse to the beampipe starting from the x-axis. The polar angle, θ , is defined as the angle in the z-y plane starting from the z-axis (the beampipe). θ is related to the pseudorapidity, η , by the formula $\eta = -\ln(\tan(\theta/2))$, so that η ranges from 0 at $\theta = 90^\circ$ to ∞ at $\theta = 0^\circ$ [70]. The two ends of the detector, at high η values, are called the endcap regions while the central area at lower η values is called the barrel region. The detector volume is often denoted in terms of ΔR , with the separation between two particles 1 and 2 being

CMS DETECTOR

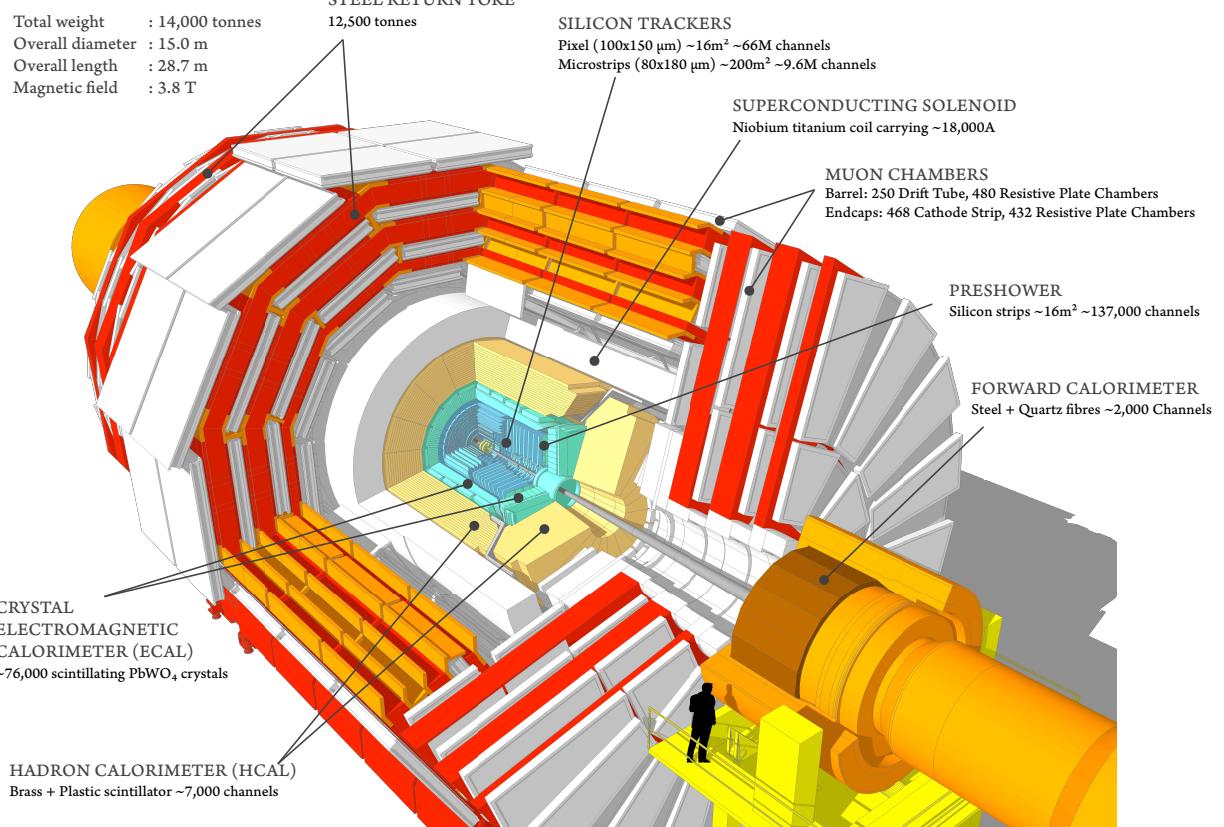


Figure 2.3: Diagrammatic sectional view of the CMS detector [68]

defined as

$$\Delta R = \sqrt{(\eta_1 - \eta_2)^2 + (\phi_1 - \phi_2)^2} \quad (2.1)$$

2.3 Sub-Detectors

2.3.1 Tracker

Each event that is recorded in the CMS detector is one crossing of the bunches of protons of which the beams are comprised. Any charged particles produced as a result of the proton-proton collisions in these bunch crossings need to be recorded for later use in reconstruction of particle information such as trajectories and charges. This is achieved using the tracker section of CMS which consists of silicon sensors in two forms: pixels and strips. As the charged particles travel through these silicon sensors, electron-hole pairs are produced in the silicon which are processed by readout chips. This readout is carried out by the Analogue Pipeline Voltage (APV) chip (a new chip called the CMS Binary Chip (CBC) is intended to replace the APV in the HL-LHC after Long Shutdown 3, which is currently scheduled for 2023-2024).

The purpose of the tracker within the CMS detector is to track the trajectory of charged particles as they travel out from the interaction point. The tracker is split into two parts, with an inner silicon pixel detector and an outer silicon strip detector. The inner pixel detector consists of three layers in the barrel region at distances of 4.4 cm, 7.3 cm and 10.2 cm from the beam line with two endcap discs at each end. Each pixel measures $100 \mu m$ by $150 \mu m$ and the entire pixel detector covers an area of only approximately $1 m^2$ but contains 66 million pixels in total.

The strip tracker is comprised of ten layers in the barrel region at distances ranging from 20 cm to 1.1 m from the beam pipe. The four inner layers (at distances of 26 cm, 34 cm,

42 cm and 50 cm from the beampipe) are collectively named the Tracker Inner Barrel (TIB), while the outer six layers (at distances of 61 cm, 70 cm, 78 cm, 87 cm, 97 cm and 108 cm from the beampipe) are known as the Tracker Outer Barrel (TOB). The endcaps consist of twelve discs, three of which correspond to the Tracker Inner Discs (TID) at z-distances from 75 cm to 100 cm, and nine to the Tracker End Caps (TEC) at z-distances between 120 cm and 280 cm [66]. A diagrammatic view of the CMS tracker, including both pixels and strips, is shown in Figure 2.4. The largest silicon detector ever constructed, the strip tracker contains about ten million channels and covers an area of approximately 200 m^2 [24, 70]. The operating temperature of the tracker during 2011 and 2012 has been 0°C for the pixels and $+4^\circ\text{C}$ for the strips but will be lowered for both after Long Shutdown 1 [21].

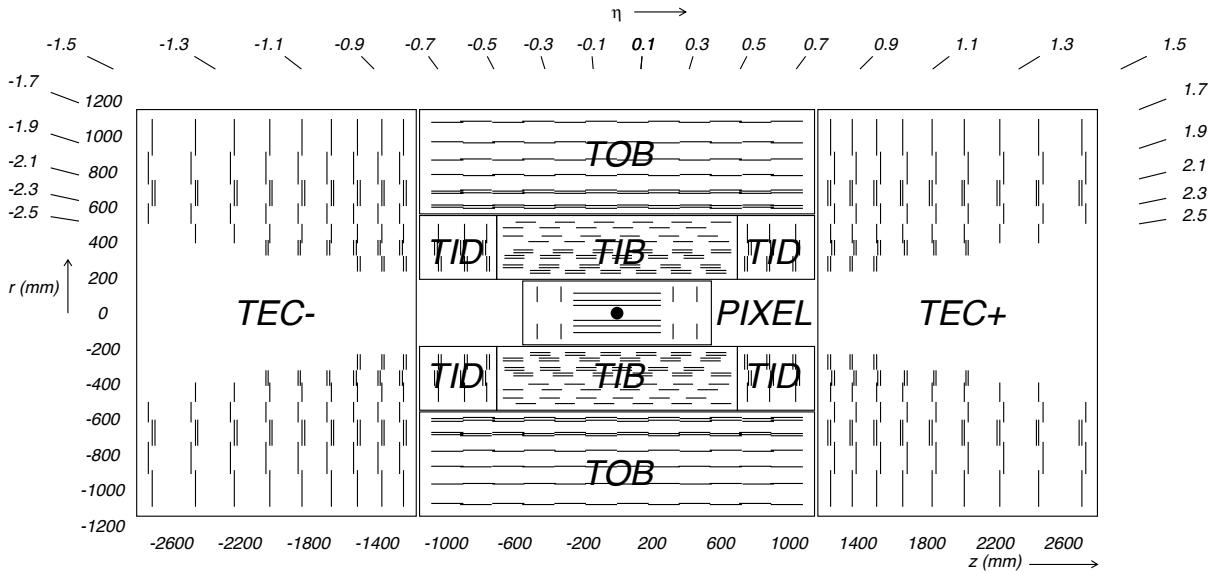


Figure 2.4: Cross-sectional diagram of the CMS strip tracker; each line represents a detector module [70]

As a charged particle passes through the various layers of silicon in these detectors, electrical signals are created which are then read by readout electronics. Offline algorithms then use the data relating to which strips and sensors received 'hits' to reconstruct the tracks of charged particles and this information is later used for particle reconstruction and identification [24, 61].

Neutral particles could also leave signals in the tracker in a small proportion of cases if the

particle interacts with a silicon atom and/or converts to charged particles such as a photon conversion to two electrons. In the majority of cases, the presence of neutral particles must be detected from their energy deposits in the calorimeters. For physics analyses, the premise employed is that the curving of particle tracks within a magnetic field allows the calculation of the particle momentum and charge. An important requirement of the tracker is that it must allow the above whilst not affecting the energy of the particle being tracked. The silicon in the tracker sensors also does not stop particles, thereby allowing them to pass through this innermost layer of the detector and interact with outer layers.

The tracker readout chips must be able to distinguish from which bunch crossing a particle was produced (bunch-crossing identification).

The required tracker characteristics of high granularity, good resolution, fast response to process the high data rate without losing potentially valuable information, radiation hardness and keeping detector material to a minimum to minimise interactions of the particles with detector matter, resulted in silicon being chosen to construct the tracker. One of the advantages of using silicon over gaseous detectors is that silicon produces more charge carriers per unit of length travelled by a particle. This therefore means the silicon thickness can be reduced, typically around $300 \mu\text{m}$ per layer. Silicon also allows fast signal transfer, of the order of about 10 ns, as the aforementioned charge carriers travel quickly through silicon. Furthermore, the spacing between strips in a silicon sensor, known as the strip pitch, can be manufactured to be extremely small, down to the order of around $10 \mu\text{m}$. The silicon sensors that make up the strip tracker in the CMS detector vary in thickness depending on their location. Sensors of $320 \mu\text{m}$ thickness are utilised in the TIB and TID, $500 \mu\text{m}$ in the TOB, and a mixture of both thicknesses is used in the TEC. The strip pitches and their lengths vary such that there are fifteen distinct types of sensor geometries in the strip tracker [25]. Thicker sensors are used in the outer sections of the strip tracker in order to maintain a high signal to noise ratio, since the increased strip lengths in this region lead to increased electronics noise due to higher capacitance [24]. Furthermore, in general the occupancy needs to be low (the fraction of channels with a hit in an event was desired to be 1 % or lower at

the nominal LHC luminosity) so that pattern recognition can be carried out efficiently and so the amount of simultaneous data to be read out is manageable. In order to maintain a low occupancy, a high granularity is maintained in the strip tracker with strip lengths less than 20 cm and strip pitches less than $205\ \mu m$ [66]. While high granularity is beneficial for high precision tracking, it also results in a high number of channels, which in turn requires large amounts of electronics for readout and leads to high heat load.

On a global scale, the tracker data is read out using a combination of interoperating systems. The data from the Analogue Pipeline Voltage (APV25) tracker readout chips is taken via optical fibres to 440 off-detector Front End Drivers (FEDs) (which make up 63% of the total number of FEDs in CMS). The FEDs then forward the data to the online Data Acquisition System (DAQ). In addition, off-detector Front End Controllers (FECs) control the front-end electronics by means of approximately 350 control rings, including triggers, clock and monitoring [24, 40].

2.3.2 Electromagnetic Calorimeter

The electromagnetic calorimeter, often referred to as the ECAL, is a hermetic, homogeneous subdetector constructed of scintillating crystals of lead tungstate ($PbWO_4$), and is the next layer outside the tracker. Any electromagnetic particles such as electrons or photons are absorbed by the ECAL crystals. The energy of the particles is absorbed by the crystals which then scintillate emitting a blue-green coloured light. These signals are then detected by connected photodetectors and processed by readout electronics.

The high density crystals used ($8.28\ g/cm^3$), short radiation length ($X_0 = 0.89cm$) and small Molière radius of 2.2 cm (EXPLAIN THIS? OR REMOVE IT?) lead to a compact calorimeter with fast response time, high granularity and of course capable of withstanding the radiation levels within CMS. The barrel region of the ECAL consists of 61,200 crystals and extends up to a pseudorapidity, $\eta \pm 1.479$. Each individual barrel crystal is $25.8X_0$ thick and has cross-sectional dimensions of $22 \times 22\ mm^2$, which equates to 0.0174×0.0174

in the $\eta - \phi$ plane. These crystals are divided into 36 supermodules, with each consisting of 4 modules. The endcaps are comprised of 7,324 crystals, cover the range $1.479 \leq \eta \leq 3.0$ and are split into two halves known as “Dees” and is divided into operating segments of 40° each. The endcap crystals have slightly larger dimensions, having a thickness of $24.7X_0$ and cross-sectional dimensions of $28.62 \times 28.62 \text{ mm}^2$ [24, 20]. Figure 2.5 shows the layout of the ECAL.

The signals in the crystals are collected by avalanche photodiodes in the barrel region and vacuum phototriodes in the endcaps. The numbers of photoelectrons produced is dependent on temperature, with increasing temperature resulting in a decrease in the number of electrons at a rate of $-3.8 \pm 0.4\%/\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$. A cooling system is thus employed which maintains a stable operating temperature of the ECAL system to within $\pm 0.05\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$, with a nominal operating temperature of $18\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ [24]. The energy resolution of the ECAL has been shown to follow $\sigma_E/E = 2.8\%/\sqrt{E} \oplus 12\%/E \oplus 0.3\%$ where the three constant terms come from stochastic fluctuations such as photostatistics, electronics noise and temperature stability and calibration uncertainties [30].

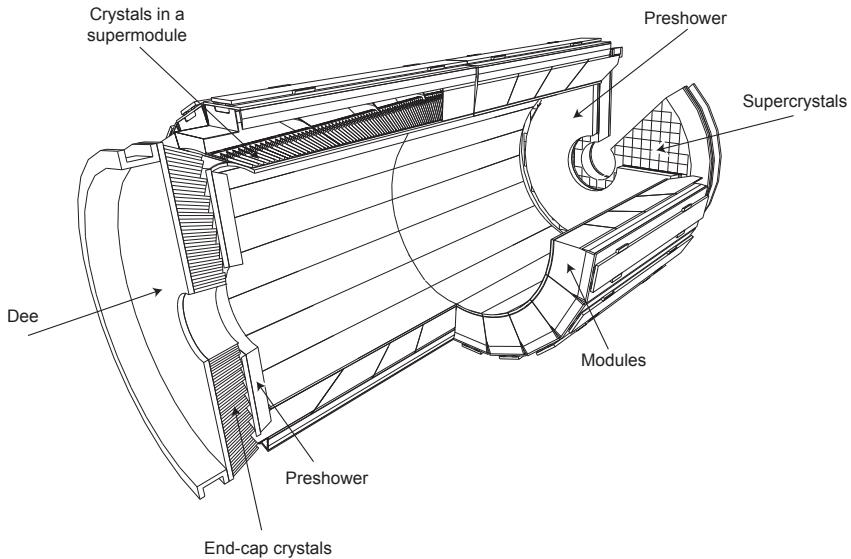


Figure 2.5: Diagram of the ECAL showing barrel supermodules, endcaps and preshower detectors. [30]

2.3.3 Hadronic Calorimeter

The next subdetector outside the ECAL is the hadronic calorimeter (HCAL) which works in a similar way to the ECAL, in this case by absorbing hadron jets. The HCAL is located at a distance of 1.77 m to 2.95 m from the beamline, with an additional outer hadronic calorimeter also installed outside the magnet due to radial restrictions imposed by the magnet coil. The HCAL barrel (HB), outer (HO) and endcaps (HE) cover the η range up to 3.0, with the forward HCAL (HF) placed at η up to 5.2 increasing the coverage. Figure 2.6 shows the a quarter of the HCAL endcap.

The HB The HCAL is a sampling calorimeter, meaning it is composed of alternating absorber layers (made of brass) and scintillator layers (made of plastic). A hadronic particle produces a shower of secondary particles when it strikes an absorber layer; this process is repeated as these secondary particles themselves pass through successive absorber layers. The scintillator layers in between absorb the energy of these particles, emitting light as they do which is fed to readout electronics via optical fibres to measure the particle energies.

2.3.4 Superconducting Magnet

The magnet of the CMS detector is the largest and highest field strength superconducting solenoid ever constructed. It can produce a magnetic field up to 4 T (a field strength of 3.8 T is used in running) with a stored energy of 2.7 GJ [70]. The cold bore, cooled to 4.5 K using liquid helium, has dimensions of 12.5 m length and 6 m diameter, and weighs 220 tonnes [41]. Due to design constraints and structural requirements, the magnet itself provides some of the structural strength both to support itself and to withstand its own magnetic bursting force on the coil [24].

The cold bore, pictured in Figure 2.7 in the CMS assembly hall, is enclosed in a steel return yoke weighing 10,000 tonnes with the aim of containing and returning the magnetic field. The yoke is interspersed in the muon chambers and is made up of 5 barrel segments and 6

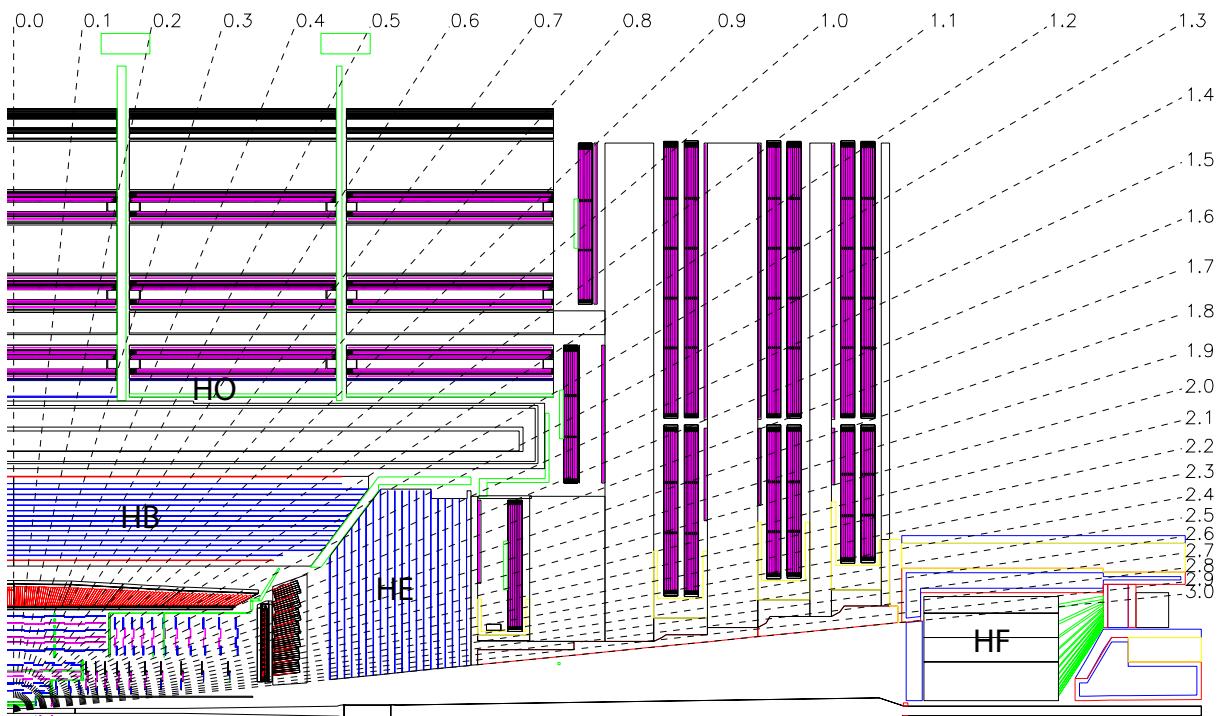


Figure 2.6: A longitudinal schematic of the HCAL showing the location of the hadron barrel (HB), endcap (HE), outer (HO) and forward (HF) calorimeters [24]



Figure 2.7: Bore of the CMS solenoid magnet in vertical position in the CMS assembly hall, SX5, prior to installation [24]

endcap discs. The magnet was designed in a manner such as to facilitate assembly at ground level prior to lowering into the CMS experimental cavern, UX5. Despite the challenges involved in constructing such a powerful magnet, the high track-curving power created by the high magnetic field was desirable in order to provide good momentum resolution of the tracking components.

2.3.5 Muon Chambers

Muons pass through all the previous inner sub-detectors, losing very little energy as they traverse them (around 1 MeV/mm), leading to the muon chambers being located outermost in the detector. There are, in fact, three types of muon detectors in use in CMS. The endcaps contain Cathode Strip Chambers (CSCs), the central barrel regions contain Drift Tubes (DTs), and both regions are reinforced with Resistive Plate Chambers (RPCs). These systems, in combination with the silicon tracker, are used to determine the momentum of muons by taking advantage of their curved tracks due to the magnetic field. The different technologies are used due to the different numbers of particles expected in different areas of the detector and because of technological considerations regarding the physical areas to be covered [70]. Figure 2.8 shows a diagrammatic representation of one quarter of the CMS muon detectors. The CSCs are used in the endcaps to cover $|\eta|$ values between 1.2 and 2.4 that experience high muon rates and where the magnetic field of the solenoid is high [70]. They take the form of four disc layers each made of 2 (inner layer) or 3 (outer 3 layers) concentric rings. They consist of volumes of gas in which are found positively charged wires placed at right angles to negatively charged copper strips. To relate these to the name given to these detectors, the positive wires are the anodes and the negative strips are the cathodes. As a charged particle passes through the gas it ionises gas atoms and the electrons that are knocked out travel towards the anode wires. At the same time the resulting positively charged ions in the gas travel towards the cathode strips. Since the wires and strips are at right angles to each other, the CSCs provide two position co-ordinates for the passing muon. The CSC detection mechanism is a fast process so their signals are used for muon triggering [24].

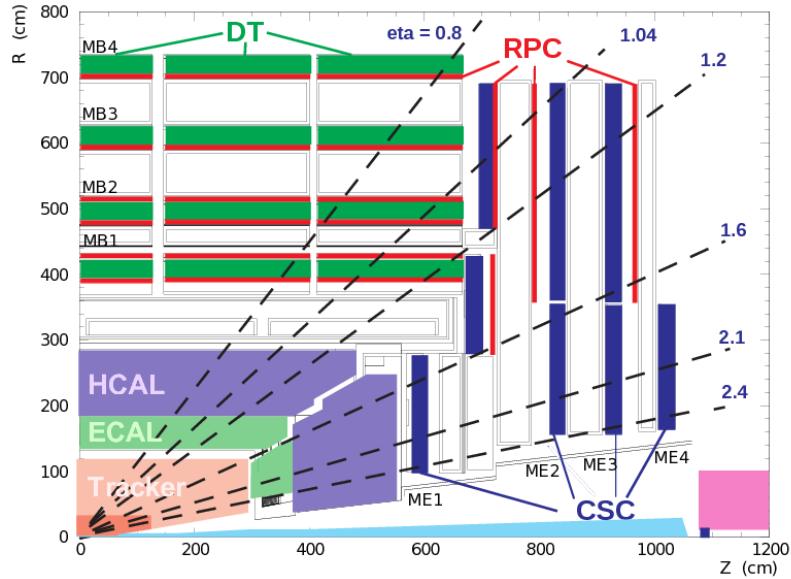


Figure 2.8: Schematic representation of a quarter of the CMS muon system [59]

The barrel region DTs cover $|\eta|$ values of less than 1.2, that encounter low rates of low transverse momentum muons [70]. They are arranged in four cylindrical layers among the layers of the magnet's iron return yoke and RPC layers. The layers are slightly staggered to ensure that even a muon of high transverse momentum will be detected by at least three of the four layers. The drift tubes are gas tubes containing a stretched wire and enclosed by aluminium plates. As a particle with a charge traverses the volume of gas, atoms in the gas are ionised and the resulting free electrons travel along electric field lines towards the positively charged wire. By using the position of the electron along the wire and the time taken for the wire to detect the electron, two coordinates of the muon position can be deduced. In comparison to the DTs and CSCs, the RPCs that complement them provide a better resolution in terms of time (1ns) but a worse resolution in terms of position, and so provide additional trigger information. As their name suggests, they are constructed of plates, one negatively charged (cathode) and one positively charged (anode) and made of a plastic with high resistance. In a similar process to the other muon detectors, a gas that makes up the volume in between the plates is ionised by a passing charged muon. The resulting electrons create an avalanche of electrons by, in turn, ionising other gas atoms; this avalanche of electrons moves towards the anode and metal readout strips outside the plastic anode detect the signal for readout. The hit strips pattern allows a calculation of the muon

momentum which is then fed to trigger algorithms.

Neutrinos, like muons, also pass through all the layers of the detector, but cannot be detected directly and their presence must therefore be deduced by the presence of missing energy in the transverse plane (perpendicular to the beam directions).

2.3.6 Trigger and Data Acquisition

The data acquisition system (DAQ) is the name given to the combination of the trigger and data recording systems. At the design bunch crossing frequency of 40 MHz and at the design luminosity of $10^{34} \text{ cm} - 2\text{s} - 1$, the expected number of proton-proton collisions per second is approximately 10^9 , translating to 21 proton-proton collisions per bunch crossing on average. Each bunch crossing produces approximately 1 MB of data, leading to 40,000 GB/s of data. This extremely large amount of data, which is impractical to record, means that a trigger system is required to filter the events in order to record only data that are of interest for physics analyses.

There are two levels to the CMS trigger, named Level 1 Trigger (L1) and High Level Trigger (HLT). These work in sequence with the electronics and readout systems in place in the detector to filter the events to a practically manageable amount for processing. In combination, these triggers reduce the data rate by at least a factor of 10^6 [24].

The L1 Trigger is a pipelined deadtimeless system comprised of calorimeter triggers, muon triggers and a global trigger that works on a combination of data from the former two. The decisions made by the L1 Trigger are carried out by 'custom hardware processors', such as Field Programmable Gate Arrays (FPGAs). The data from a bunch crossing are held in pipeline buffers in the electronics at the front end whilst the information for the triggers is processed in the CMS service cavern (USC) and the decisions transmitted back to the front end. The maximum time allowed for this process for each event is $3.2 \mu\text{s}$, which is the time taken for the signals to be transmitted via optical fibres from the detector to the processors and back again, known as the latency [70]. The L1 Trigger outputs data to the HLT at a

rate of 100 kHz [24].

As already mentioned, the trigger uses calorimeter and muon chamber data to reach a decision on an event within the required timeframe. Tracker data are not currently used since track reconstruction exceeds the amount of time allowed for the L1 trigger decision. Good trigger performance is related to the quality of the calorimeters and muon systems. Factors such as good momentum resolution of high momentum muons, good charge determination of muons, good ECAL energy resolution and good missing transverse energy resolution are required for the trigger to select interesting events. The trigger was designed as described in order to allow the CMS experiment to meet the goals of the LHC physics programme [24].

Unlike the Level 1 Trigger, the High Level Trigger is software-based and run offline in separate processor farms [70]. If the Level 1 produces an accept decision, the data which was stored in buffers in the front end electronics is read into readout buffers from where the DAQ system accesses it. The L1 output rate of 100 kHz corresponds to a data rate of approximately 100 GB/s. The software making up the HLT processes these events in a computer farm that carries out fast processing of offline algorithms such as selections and object reconstructions to reduce the rate down to approximately 100 Hz. This accepted data are then stored on tape.

All sub-detector readout systems consist of front-end systems into which data is fed from the detector. When the L1 trigger accepts an event, the data corresponding to that event is extracted from these front-end buffers and front-end drivers (FEDs) enters the DAQ system. A more detailed description of the DAQ system can be found in [24] and [70].

2.4 CMS Computing

The CMS offline computing takes on the workload of transferring accepted data from the triggers to both permanent and temporary storage, and the processing of this data for subsequent analysis, in addition to the production of simulated CMS data. The resources

needed to process the high volumes of data involved require a distributed computing system; the Worldwide LHC Computing Grid (WLCG) infrastructure, an international collaboration of LHC experiments and computing centres, is employed to carried out these tasks.

The CMS computing resources are primarily divided into three tiers. Tier 0 (T0) consists of only one site, at CERN itself. The T0 centre has as its main aims to take accepted data from the detector and transfer it to permanent storage on tape. Tier 0 computing is also responsible for reconstructing the RAW data into RECO data formats (see Section 2.7 for more details on data formats). From the T0 centre, the copies of the data in RECO and RAW format is transferred to T1 centres around the world (there is also a Tier 1 (T1) centre at CERN, known as the CERN computing centre). Owing to its important role in ensuring the robust transfer of RAW and RECO data, the T0 resources are not available for analysis by CMS users. There are seven Tier 1 centres located in various countries within the CMS collaboration. In the UK, the T1 centre is located at the Rutherford Appleton Laboratory in Harwell, near Oxford. T1 centres provide reliable computing resources for data storage and processing; RAW data is spread between them, providing a second copy of the RAW data stored at CERN. The second reconstruction step is also carried out at T1 centres, in addition to the production of simulated data. These can then be provided to any of the Tier 2 centres at CMS institutes (typically universities) where they may be temporarily stored. Typically, T2 centres are used to run users' final analyses and produce simulations [24, 70].

2.5 Event Data Model

Reconstructed data from CMS uses a data model based around an event, called the Event Data Model (EDM), where one event is one crossing of proton bunches at the centre of CMS which passes the triggers. This model is created and manipulated within a CMS software framework (- ADD REFERENCE?) written in C++, with the event and related objects in the object oriented data analysis framework ROOT.

Everything in an event is passed through a sequence of framework modules to produce

subsequent versions of the data. The arrangement of these data takes the form of layers, with the first of these being RAW. This level contains the full information from the event in CMS and occupies approximately 1.5-2 MB/event. More information than is necessary for user analyses is included at this level, and so the majority of CMS users will not use this data format. Reconstructed level data (RECO) is slightly smaller in size (approximately 0.5 MB/event) and is essentially a compressed subset of the RAW data after modules performing reconstruction have been run. These modules produce physics objects (like electrons and jets) using algorithms to reconstruct tracks in the silicon tracker, clusters of deposits in the calorimeters, primary and secondary vertices, determine particle identification and to correct for detector characteristics such as non-functioning components.

The third level, Analysis Object Data (AOD), is the smallest of the data formats, requiring approximately 100 kB/event, which is small enough to allow the entire AOD data to be stored at computing centres worldwide. AOD format is a subset of the RECO data, and is produced by performing a skim on RECO leaving only high level physics objects (e.g. electrons, jets) which is adequate for most physics analyses.

In the different cross section analysis presented in this thesis, as in the majority of CMS physics analyses, this AOD data is processed using the Bristol Top Group’s NTupleProduction code ([REFERENCE TO NTT CODE ON GITHUB](#)) to produce private ntuples which are yet again smaller in size, at approximately 3 kB/event. These ntuples are then converted to simple ROOT histogram files after applying the required selections and corrections in the BristolAnalysisTools ([REFERENCE TO BAT CODE ON GITHUB](#)). Scripts written in Python in DailyPythonScripts ([REFERENCE TO DPS CODE ON GITHUB](#)) are then used to produce final plots and tables.

2.6 Upgrades

It is worth noting at this point, that the CMS experiment, along with the LHC and the other detectors are in a long term programme of upgrades and maintenance. By 2023 the

luminosity provided by the LHC is expected to be $2 \times 10^{34} \text{cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$ [35]. The various runs and shutdowns until 2023 are collectively referred to as Phase 1. In phase 2, or after 2023, long shutdown 3 is also planned to bring further improvements and upgrades to the performance of the LHC, after which the luminosity of the LHC is expected to reach $5 \times 10^{34} \text{cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$. The machine in this state will be known as the high luminosity LHC, HL-LHC (also sometimes referred to as Super LHC, SLHC).

Naturally, the above dates and schedules are the latest best estimates and are liable to change over time, particularly those further in the future, as work progresses.

2.7 Object Reconstruction and Identification

The process of producing a physics object such as an electron, photon or jet, from the data recorded by CMS is known as reconstruction and is carried out by “modules” known as EDProducers within CMSSW. The three step process of reconstructing high level objects consists of local reconstruction within a sub detector, global reconstruction using data from the whole CMS detector, and a final stage combining reconstructed objects from both of these. The reconstruction technique used in the majority of CMS analyses is called Particle Flow (PF) [1]. PF uses information from all of the sub-detectors of CMS to identify and reconstruct particles produced from a proton-proton collision.

2.7.1 Electron Reconstruction

ECAL local reconstruction algorithms calculate the time of arrival, position and the energy deposited by electromagnetic objects. After grouping together deposits in neighbouring crystals to form clusters, deposits are then matched to deposits in the HCAL, forming a Calo Tower. Electrons are completely stopped in the ECAL and deposit their energy in a narrow cluster of crystals.

However, electrons can interact with the material between the interaction point and the

ECAL, emitting a photon via bremsstrahlung radiation. Similarly, photons can convert to e^+e^- . Both of these processes result in ECAL deposits with a larger spread in ϕ because of the strong magnetic field in the inner section of CMS with the tracker. In the case of photons, several clusters are grouped together to form superclusters, which are then corrected for their energies to obtain the energies of the original photon [58].

Seeds for electrons are produced in the ECAL by two methods. The first matches superclusters with a trajectory compatible with two or three pixel detector hits and the interaction point. The second matches the supercluster to tracker tracks to identify electrons (and in the case of electrons emitting bremsstrahlung radiation, tracks with a low number of hits) [2]. Combining the seeds from the two methods, a Gaussian-Sum Filter, a generalisation of the Kalman Filter algorithm, is used to reconstruct electron paths [14].

Since other objects can leave similar signatures in the detector to electrons, such as jets or electrons from photon conversions, candidates are required to satisfy additional requirements of identification and isolation. Several electron identification methods exist and are used in CMS analyses. The main top cross sections analysis in this thesis uses the multivariate identification (MVA ID). As the name suggests, this approach uses a multivariate analysis, with track, track quality, and supercluster variables as input, to produce a discriminator value, with higher values indicating a higher likelihood for a candidate to be a real electron. The MVA ID algorithm is optimised for identifying electrons from W and Z boson decays [2].

The isolation of an electron is defined as the activity within a cone surrounding the electron. Isolation is used in parallel with identification to select electrons, in particular to distinguish electrons promptly produced in a proton-proton collision. Such isolated electrons would have less activity in its vicinity than electrons from within a jet, which could originate from leptonically decaying b hadrons, and jets faking electrons. Two methods exist in CMS of calculating the isolation of a particle: detector based isolation and particle based isolation. The detector based method is defined in each sub detector as the sum of the momenta or

energies in a cone of $\Delta R = 0.3$ around the electron. The particle based method uses the total transverse energy of PF reconstructed particles within a cone of $\Delta R = 0.3$ and can remove activity coming from collisions other than the interaction point. By normalising this isolation to the momentum or energy of the electron, a relative isolation is obtained, relating the cone activity to the electron. This relative isolation is the variable used in the top cross sections analysis to select electrons.

In order to avoid the selection of electrons originating from a photon conversion, a veto can be placed on a second electron in the event. However, since the two electrons in a photon conversion may not necessarily have equal transverse momentum, such a veto may be insufficient, and so further techniques to identify conversion events are used. Firstly, since an electron from a conversion would be produced at some distance from the interaction point and in the detector material, eliminating candidates with missing hits in the pixel tracker helps to distinguish such electrons from promptly produced electrons. In events in which the conversion occurs in the beam pipe or if the electron is matched to unassociated pixel hits, this method can also be insufficient, so an additional track matching step is used. Tracks are matched in pairs and following geometrical cuts, can be removed if they appear to originate from a conversion [2].

2.7.2 Muon Reconstruction

Local reconstruction in the muon chambers provide hit position and time of arrival of a muon. This information from the DTs and CSCs is then amalgamated to create muon track hits and segments. These are used by the muon global reconstruction algorithms to reconstruct “standalone” muons. An inner detector segment is used as a seed for a Kalman Filter (EXPLAIN THIS?) [47] and possible trajectories are generated. By removing hits which are not likely to have come from the track in question, the likely trajectory is constructed layer-by-layer. A final fit is carried out, including an extrapolation to the interaction point for greater momentum resolution.

The magnetic field in the muon system is only 2 T compared to 3.8 T in the tracker. Tracks reconstructed in the tracker can therefore be combined with the aforementioned muon chamber information to improve the p_T resolution of muons, as seen in Figure

Two methods are employed to combine the information from the two sub-detectors. *Global muon reconstruction* matches a tracker track to a standalone muon track and carries out a fit of the resulting *global muon* track. The second method, *tracker muon reconstruction*, tracker tracks are extrapolated outwards to the muon chambers and accepted as a muon candidate if a DT or CSC matching track is found [29].

In terms of triggering, the p_T of a muon is first estimated using the information available at Level 1 trigger stage from all three types of muon detectors. At HLT level, the muon candidates from Level 1 are further refined using track finding and fitting, but still using only information from muon chambers, leading to Level 2 muons. As mentioned in Section 2.3.6, due to the time constraints required of the trigger, full tracker data are not currently used. However, tracks of Level 2 muons are extrapolated into the tracker systems and a localised track finding algorithm is run to identify only nearby tracker hits. A track matching that of a Level 2 muon leads to a Level 3 muon.

2.7.3 Jet Reconstruction

As quarks produced in proton-proton interactions (except the top quark) hadronise, they form jets of particles in the direction of travel of the quark from which it originates. The time of arrival, position and the energy deposited by hadronic objects are locally reconstructed in the HCAL. If the deposit matches an ECAL deposit, a Calo Tower is formed for later use in jet reconstruction algorithms.

The particle flow (PF) algorithm performing the reconstruction of particles in the jet, and the $anti - k_t$ algorithm used to perform the clustering of these particles into jets. The $anti - k_t$ algorithm, explained in detail in [22] is one of several jet algorithms that exist in CMS to combine reconstructed particles into jets. It defines a distance d_{ik} between reconstructed

particles as

$$d_{ij} = \min\left(\frac{1}{p_{T,i}^2}, \frac{1}{p_{T,j}^2}\right) \frac{(y_i - y_j) + (\phi_i - \phi_j)^2}{R^2} \quad (2.2)$$

$p_{T,i}$ and $p_{T,j}$ are the transverse momenta of the two particles i and j , y_i and y_j are the rapidities and ϕ_i and ϕ_j are the azimuth angles and R is the radius of the jet cone. anti- k_t iteratively clusters together particles with the smallest d_{ij} between them until all jets are reconstructed and there are no particles remaining. Events will usually consist of a small number of high- p_T (hard) particles and a large number of low- p_T particles. The distance between hard particles is typically small, and the distance between softer particles is larger. Soft (low- p_T) particles tending to cluster around hard (high- p_T) particles, before clustering with other soft particles.

While the PF anti- k_t jets show high jet matching efficiency on Monte Carlo simulation samples, corrections are applied based on the jet p_T and η to correct for mismeasurements in the detector and thereby improve the agreement between generated and reconstructed particle flow jets. The factored approach to CMS jet energy corrections is comprised of three parts:

- L1 Pile Up: corrects for additional energy from charged particles from pile-up in the event 2.7.5.
- L2 Relative Jet Correction: corrects the reconstructed energy to match the generated jet with respect to η .
- L3 Absolute Jet Correction: corrects the reconstructed energy to match the generated jet with respect to p_T .
- L2L3Residuals: reduces any residual differences between the reconstructed and generated jet due to simulation not being perfectly tuned to data. This correction is applied to data only.

In order to identify jets in the differential cross sections analysis, further identification criteria are used to reduce electronic noise, to reduce the number of electrons mis-identified as jets and, in so doing, to ensure the selection of high quality jets. The requirements, which are known as the losse PF Jet ID, are:

- at least one constituent particle
- the neutral hadron energy fraction (NHF) must be < 0.99
- for jets with $\text{abseta} < 2.4$, the charged hadron energy fraction (CHF) must be > 0
- the neutral electromagnetic energy fraction (NEF) must be < 0.99
- for jets with $\text{abseta} < 2.4$, the charged electromagnetic energy fraction (CEF) must be < 0.99
- for jets with $\text{abseta} < 2.4$, the number of charged hadronic constituents (NCH) must be > 0

Jet energy resolution corrections are also applied (known as jet smearing) to account to the fact that jet energy resolution has been measured to be worse in data than in simulation. These PF jet corrections are obtained using 0.8fb^{-1} of 2011 dijet data and 19.7fb^{-1} of 2012 dijet data [26, 38].

B Jets

The process of identifying jets coming from b-quarks is known as b-tagging and is very important in top quark physics due to the decay of the top to a W-boson and a b-quark. B-tagging can therefore help to appreciably reduce background processes in signal. A description of the several algorithms available in CMS is given in 5. The algorithm used in the differential cross sections analysis is the combined secondary vertex tagger (CSV). The relatively long lifetime of b quarks means that they travel a significant distance (of the order of a few cm) before decaying. This leads to events with b-jets possessing a secondary vertex

distinguishable at a significant distance from the primary interaction vertex. This secondary vertex information, together with track based information such as the number of tracks in the jet, the invariant mass of the secondary vertex and the impact parameter significance of each jet track is used by the CSV algorithm to produce a discriminator ranging from 0 to 1, with larger numbers corresponding to a higher probability of a jet being a b-jet.
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Three working points are used in CMS: tight, medium and loose. The medium working point is used in the different cross sections analysis, which carries a 1 % mis-tag rate and approximately 70 % b-tag efficiency. The tight and loose working points have mis-tag rates of 0.1 % and 10 % respectively [31].

2.7.4 Track Reconstruction

Algorithms performing local reconstruction scan tracker modules in each layer with higher than a threshold signal and constructing clusters by adding adjacent strips or pixels to the original seed strip or pixel. In order to reconstruct complete tracks to obtain the position and momentum of the charged particle, algorithms based on specific requirements such as high or low transverse momentum tracks are used. These algorithms in CMS are collectively known as the Combinatorial Track Finder (CTF).

Multiple passes of the CTF reconstruction software are carried out to reconstruct tracks, in a process called iterative tracking. Earlier iterations identify tracks that are easy to find such as high p_T originating near the interaction point. As these tracks are reconstructed, the corresponding hits are removed from consideration in subsequent iterations, making it simpler for later iterations to identify tracks that are more difficult to find such as those of displaced particles or with low p_T .

Six iterations are carried out in total, and each iteration can be split into four steps. Seeds are created using 2 or 3 hits to produce initial track candidates. The seed gives an estimate of the trajectories of the potential track candidates. A Kalman Filter (EXPLAIN THIS?)

[47] based track finding algorithm then looks for further hits along an extrapolated path of the seed trajectory. A track fitter is then run using information from the previous steps to produce final values for trajectory parameters. The fourth and final step then rejects tracks which fail specified quality checks [33].

2.7.5 Pileup Subtraction

When reconstructing an event in CMS, all vertices in the event must be reconstructed. By ordering the vertices in by the sum of the transverse momenta of their tracks, it is possible to identify the the vertex of interest for physics analyses, known as the primary vertex (PV) as the vertex with the largest transverse momentum. The particle flow algorithm reconstructs objects, starting with those coming from the primary vertex, followed by other vertices (known as pileup). The reconstructed objects from the PV can be affected by the number of other vertices present in the event. For example, the jet momentum and lepton isolation could both increase with high pileup. This can, in turn, lead to signal events not passing selection requirements because a truly isolated lepton from the PV may appear not to be isolated. In addition, a larger number of events from background processes may pass selection requirements due to low energy jets appearing to have a higher energy. Hence, pileup subtraction, the removal of charged particles coming from vertices other than the PV is implemented to reduce these effects.

Neutral particles, however, pose a more difficult problem since they leave no tracker information for the reconstruction algorithms to easily identify their origin. One method of removing such particles from an event known as the $\Delta\beta$ correction, uses the fact that the estimated average energy in an event from neutral particles is half that from charged particles. Thus, it can be estimated that 0.5 times the charged particle energy comes from neutral particles. The second method, known as ρ correction, subtracts an average transverse momentum coming from pileup per unit area. While the two methods produce similar results, the ρ correction is used to correct the electron isolation and the $\Delta\beta$ correction is used to correct the muon isolation in the differential cross sections analysis presented in this thesis, as recommended

by the CMS TOP physics analysis group.

3 | The Standard Model

3.1 Introduction

The Standard Model is the name given to the theory developed during the course of the 20th century, which describes the elementary particles that make up all known, observable matter, and the three fundamental forces they interact by (electromagnetic, weak and strong forces). The Standard Model does not, however, describe the gravitational force as it is difficult to model mathematically at a quantum scale. The Standard Model puts forward twelve fermions, with a spin quantum number of $\frac{1}{2}$, as the matter particles, split into two groups of six quarks and six leptons, all of which are split into three generations. The six quarks are classified according to their charge and flavour: up, down, charm, strange, top and beauty quarks. The leptons are in turn classified according to their charge and flavour: electron, muon or tau leptons, together with their corresponding neutrinos). Neutrinos, although originally thought to be massless, are now believed to carry mass due to the observation of the oscillation of neutrinos between different flavours. Table 3.1 shows these particles of the Standard Model in their respective generations in tabular form. All of these particles have a respective antiparticle which has identical quantum numbers except opposite electric charge.

All known, observable matter in the universe is composed of the aforementioned twelve fermions or their antiparticles. The only particles which are stable are the proton, which is made of two up quarks and a down quark; the neutron, which is made of one up quark and two down quarks; and the electron. All other particles are unstable and decay; they are produced only in particle colliders such as the Large Hadron Collider, or in cosmic radiation. Quarks also carry the charge of the strong force, termed 'colour', of red, green or blue. The

Generation	Flavour	Charge / e	Spin	Mass / MeV
Leptons				
I	electron (e)	-1	$\frac{1}{2}$	0.511
	electron neutrino (ν_e)	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	0
II	muon (μ)	-1	$\frac{1}{2}$	105.66
	muon neutrino (ν_μ)	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	0
III	tau (τ)	-1	$\frac{1}{2}$	105.66
	tau neutrino (ν_τ)	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	0
Quarks				
I	up (u)	$+\frac{2}{3}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$2.3^{+0.7}_{-0.5}$
	down (d)	$-\frac{1}{3}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$4.8^{0.5}_{-0.3}$
II	charm (c)	$+\frac{2}{3}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$(1.275^{+0.025}_{-0.025}) \times 10^3$
	strange (s)	$-\frac{1}{3}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	95^{+5}_{-5}
III	top/truth (t)	$+\frac{2}{3}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$(173.21 \pm 0.51 \pm 0.71) \times 10^3$
	bottom/beauty (b)	$-\frac{1}{3}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$(4.18^{+0.03}_{-0.03}) \times 10^3$
Bosons				
Force	Gauge Boson(s)	Charge / e	Spin	Mass / GeV
Weak	$W^+/W^-/Z^0$	+/-0	1	$80.385 \pm 0.015/91.188 \pm 0.002$
Electromagnetic	photon (γ)	0	1	0
Strong	gluon (g)	0	1	0
Gravitation	graviton	0	1	0
-	Higgs (H)	0	0	125.7 ± 0.4

Table 3.1: Fundamental fermions, split into their three generations, and bosons of the Standard Model. Particle properties taken from [65].

only quark which does not 'hadronise' (form bound colourless states) is the top quark which has a very short lifetime of $\approx 5 \times 10^{-25} s$ [65] due to its large mass.

These fermions interact via the integer spin (spin 1) gauge bosons of the three fundamental forces. Electron, muon and tau leptons interact via the electromagnetic and weak forces; their neutrinos, since they carry no electric charge, interact only via the weak force; and the quarks interact via the electromagnetic, weak and strong forces. Each of the forces are mediated by gauge bosons that are the 'force carriers', and lead to the formation of hadrons and atoms. The mediator of the strong force is known as the gluon, that of the electromagnetic force is the photon and those of the weak force are the W^+ , W^- and Z bosons. Table 3.1 shows the

gauge bosons and their properties.

The range of action of the boson determines the interaction range of the force it carries. Heavier bosons, like the W^+ , W^- and Z bosons, have a short range of action, while massless bosons such as photons and gluons have a theoretically infinite range. In reality, this is not the case because the gluons themselves carry the strong colour charge and so interact with each other, reducing their interaction range. The range of the fundamental forces is quantified by their coupling strength, denoted α . Taking the strength of the strong force as the baseline, the relative strength of the electromagnetic force is 10^{-2} , that of the weak force is 10^{-13} and the strength of the gravitational force is 10^{-42} [50]. The electromagnetic coupling strength, also known as the fine-structure constant, is defined at low energies as $\alpha_{em} = \frac{e^2}{4\pi} \approx \frac{1}{137}$. Although the strong force is the strongest force, it has a limited range of only an estimated 10^{-15}m , and the weak force has an estimated range of 10^{-18}m , while the electromagnetic and gravitational forces have infinite range.

The Higgs boson, whose discovery was announced in July 2012 by the CMS and ATLAS experiments at the LHC, is the latest component of the Standard Model to be discovered [28, 8]. The mechanism of electroweak symmetry breaking through which other particles acquire mass is due to this Higgs field.

3.1.1 Gauge Principle

The underlying mathematical model of the Standard Model is a Quantum Field Theory (QFT) combining special relativity and quantum mechanics. All interactions in the the SM must conserve the kinematic quantities energy and momentum. In addition, the electromagnetic and strong forces conserve the dynamical quantities charge, colour, baryon number, lepton number and quark flavour. The weak force, if mediated by a charged propagator (W^\pm), can allow the violation of quark flavour, meaning a quark can decay into another flavour quark.

The laws of conservation occur as a result of underlying symmetries in the theories; for

instance, energy conservation stems from time symmetry and angular momentum conservation is a result of rotational symmetry. In addition to these classical symmetries, a quantum field theory can also possess gauge symmetries. The principle of gauge invariance refers to field theories in which the Lagrangian, which summarises the dynamics of the system, is invariant under local transformations (transformations that are a function of, and therefore different at all space-time points in, a field). The collection of all such transformations, called gauge transformations, are called the Lie group. If the Lie group is commutative, i.e. any order of application of the symmetry transformations produces the same result, the theory is termed Abelian. Conversely, if the group is non-commutative, the theory is non-Abelian. Each Lie group has an associated generator, and each generator has a corresponding vector field, or gauge field, whose purpose is ensuring invariance under local transformations. The quanta of these fields are the gauge bosons of the Standard Model. Note that the converse of local transformations are global transformations, in which the transformation takes place instantaneously at all space-time points.

Group transformations can be represented as groups of $n \times n$ matrices which possess properties such as unitarity (U) and orthogonality (O). A group of matrices with determinant 1 is called 'special' (S), leading to further groups of $SU(N)$ and $SO(N)$. The Standard Model is comprised of electroweak theory (combining electromagnetism and weak theory) a gauge group of $SU(2) \times U(1)$ and the theory of strong interactions that has a gauge symmetry of $SU(3)$. The Standard Model is therefore a gauge theory based on the gauge group $SU(3) \times SU(2) \times U(1)$.

3.1.2 Quantum Electrodynamics

Quantum electrodynamics (QED) is a component theory of the Standard Model that governs the interactions of electrically charged particles. The simplest electromagnetic process is shown in Figure 3.1a, and all real processes are made of some number of these processes combined together, such as electron-positron annihilation shown in Figure 3.1b.

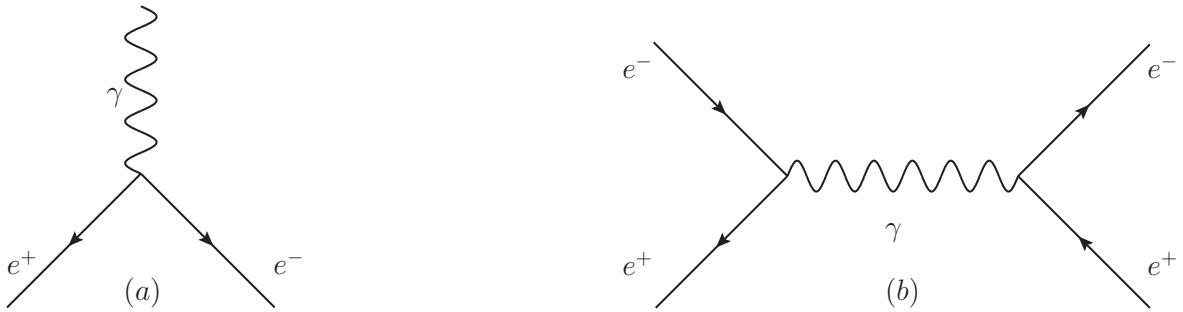


Figure 3.1: (a) the elementary electromagnetic process of an electron emitting a photon and (b) electron-positron annihilation.

The sum of all possible orders of Feynmann diagrams for a possible interaction is the representation of the real process. In practice, since at low energies, each vertex contributes a factor of α ($= \frac{1}{137}$, the fine structure constant, the coupling constant of the electromagnetic force), additional Feynmann diagrams with more than a few vertices contribute negligibly to the process and are often ignored.

The coupling strength of a force can be further explained in terms of vacuum polarisation. This refers to the phenomenon of electron-positron pairs and photons being spontaneously created and absorbed by an electron. These virtual particles, which would be represented in Feynmann diagrams as closed loops, shield the original electron leading to the electron charge being measured at a lower value than its true charge. This measured value is called the effective, or 'screened', charge. As a result, the coupling strength of the electromagnetic force decreases as a function of distance.

The mathematical formulation of QED stems from the Dirac equation, which describes the Lagrangian for a spin-half (Fermionic) field ψ .

$$\mathcal{L} = i(\hbar c)\bar{\psi}\gamma^{\mu}\partial_{\mu}\psi - (mc^2)\bar{\psi}\psi \quad (3.1)$$

Here, \hbar is the reduced Planck's constant, μ are the Lorentz indices and γ^{μ} are the gamma

(or Dirac) matrices. Under a global transformation of a phase $i\alpha$,

$$\psi(x) \rightarrow \psi'(x) = e^{i\alpha}\psi(x), \bar{\psi} \rightarrow \bar{\psi}'(x) = e^{-i\alpha}\bar{\psi}(x) \quad (3.2)$$

this Lagrangian is invariant (i.e. under a global transformation of the $U(1)$ group, since this is equivalent to multiplication of the field ψ by a 1×1 unitary matrix). However, under a local gauge transformation by a phase of $i\alpha(x)$, the symmetry is no longer true since the partial derivative

$$\partial_\mu(e^{i\alpha(x)}\psi) = i(\partial_\mu\alpha(x))e^{i\alpha(x)}\psi + e^{i\alpha(x)}\partial_\mu\psi, \quad (3.3)$$

meaning the Lagrangian is not invariant:

$$\mathcal{L} \rightarrow \mathcal{L} - \bar{\psi}(x)\gamma^\mu\psi(x)[\partial_\mu\alpha(x)]. \quad (3.4)$$

Local symmetry can be maintained in this case if a new gauge field, A_μ , is introduced to the Lagrangian by means of a covariant derivative D_μ :

$$D_\mu = \partial_\mu + ieA_\mu. \quad (3.5)$$

Under the local transformation, A_{mu} transforms as

$$A_\mu \rightarrow A'_\mu = A_\mu - \frac{1}{e}\partial_\mu\alpha(x). \quad (3.6)$$

If the partial derivatives in the Dirac equation are now replaced with the covariant derivatives,

the invariant Lagrangian is obtained:

$$\mathcal{L} = i(\hbar c)\bar{\psi}\gamma^{\mu}\partial_{\mu}\psi - e\bar{\psi}\gamma^{\mu}\psi A_{\mu} - (mc^2)\bar{\psi}\psi - \frac{1}{4}F^{\mu\nu}F_{\mu\nu}. \quad (3.7)$$

In this way, the principle of local gauge invariance under the $U(1)$ group is used to obtain the final Lagrangian, that of quantum electrodynamics. The physical interpretation of the gauge field A_{μ} is the photon, which couples to charged particles (electrons and positrons) with a coupling strength proportional to the charge. The term $\frac{1}{4}F_{\mu\nu}$ is an additional term to account for the kinetic energy of the free particle of the new gauge field, i.e. the photon; and there is no term giving the photon mass.

In this way, the principle of local gauge invariance under the $U(1)$ group is used to introduce additional fields to a Lagrangian in order to make it covariant with respect to a group $U(1)$ local gauge invariance

3.1.3 Electroweak Theory

The unification of the electromagnetic and weak forces in the 1960s provided a more complete theory of fundamental particles. This unification takes the form of an $SU(2) \times U(1)$ gauge group correlating the electromagnetic and weak forces, and can be constructed in a similar way to the QED formalism in Section 3.1.4.

First, it is necessary to define isospin, I an abstract fundamental property of fundamental particles that is conserved in weak interactions. Similarly, weak hypercharge, Y is also a quantum property, defined as $Y_W = 2(Q - I_3)$, where Q represents the charge of the particle and I_3 is the third component of isospin. I_3 takes a value of $\frac{1}{2}$ for up, charm and top quarks and for neutrinos; and $-\frac{1}{2}$ for down, strange, beauty and other leptons other than neutrinos.

It has been shown empirically that the weak interaction exhibits violation of parity (P)

and interacts only with left-handed particles via the charged gauge bosons (W^\pm). Hence, the fields representing fermions are split into left handed and right handed components by defining a left handed doublet containing the left handed electron and left handed neutrino, and a right handed singlet containing the right handed electron:

$$\chi_L = \begin{pmatrix} \nu_e \\ e \end{pmatrix}_L, e_R \quad (3.8)$$

Here, the left handed doublet has $I = \frac{1}{2}$, and the right handed lepton has $I = 0$. Similar doublets can be constructed for the other generations of leptons (μ and τ) and quarks in their pairs of three generations (ud , cs and tb). Right handed neutrinos, which would have $I = 0$ and $Y = 0$, do not exist in the Standard Model.

Four additional massless fields and their associated currents are introduced in order to impose invariance: W_μ^1 , W_μ^2 , W_μ^3 and B_μ . The W_μ fields form a triplet that transforms according to the $SU(2)$ group, and undergoes interactions with the third isospin component I_3 . The B_μ field similarly transforms by the unitary group $U(1)$, and interacts with the weak hypercharge Y . These additional fields lead to the construction of three weak isospin currents and a weak hypercharge current.

Requiring local gauge invariance under a the $SU(2) \times U(1)$ group, the covariant derivative is

$$D_\mu = \partial_\mu + \frac{i}{2}g_W \vec{\tau} \cdot \vec{W}_\mu + ig' \frac{Y}{2} B_\mu. \quad (3.9)$$

The vectors W_μ^1 , W_μ^2 , W_μ^3 have coupling strengths of g_W to the three isospin currents and B_μ couples to the hypercharge current with a strength of g' . These four bosons relate to the quanta of the new fields, i.e. the gauge bosons W^\pm , Z^0 and γ . In actual fact, the W^\pm bosons are linear superpositions of the W_μ^1 and W_μ^2 states, while the neutral states W_μ^3 and B_μ undergo a mixing related by the weak mixing angle, θ_W , to give the neutral Z^0 and γ bosons. The coupling constants of the electromagnetic and weak forces are related by the weak mixing angle, by $\tan\theta_W = \frac{g'}{g_W}$.

It has been experimentally observed that both W bosons and the Z boson have mass. Indeed, the strength of the electromagnetic force is of the same order as the weak force, but as a result of the weak gauge bosons having mass, the weak force appears weaker and has a shorter range. However, the local gauge invariance would be broken if terms are now included to give the bosons mass. The theory of spontaneous breaking of the symmetry underlying the $SU(2) \times U(1)$ group addresses this problem, as explained in Section 3.1.5.

The weak force has been shown to change the flavour of quarks in an interaction, meaning flavour conservation is broken [6]. As stated, the quarks, like leptons, come in the form of left handed doublets within each generation,

$$\begin{pmatrix} u_L \\ d'_L \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} c_L \\ s'_L \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} t_L \\ b'_L \end{pmatrix} \quad (3.10)$$

with isospin $\frac{1}{2}$. Note that the lower quarks of the doublets are denoted with primes as they indicate a rotated state of the quark, called Cabibbo-rotated states, which are superpositions of the physical quarks. This means that in, for example, the decay of a down quark to an up quark via emittance of a W^- , the down quark to which the W^- couples is actually a superposition of 'down type' quarks, i.e. down, charm and beauty quarks. The Cabibbo-Kobayashi-Maskawa matrix (CKM), relates the weak interaction mixed states to the physical quark states. This is the degree of quark mixing between the different generations, and results in the measured values below of $|V_{12}|$ for the probability of a transition from quark 1 to quark 2 in a weak interaction [65]. In reference to top physics, the $|V_{tb}|$ value of almost 1 means that the top quark almost always decays to a W boson and a b-quark.

$$\begin{pmatrix} V_{ud} & V_{us} & V_{ub} \\ V_{cd} & V_{cs} & V_{cb} \\ V_{td} & V_{ts} & V_{tb} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0.974 & 0.225 & 0.004 \\ 0.225 & 0.973 & 0.041 \\ 0.009 & 0.041 & 0.999 \end{pmatrix} \quad (3.11)$$

3.1.4 Quantum Chromodynamics

In the theory of quantum chromodynamics (QCD), the charge of the strong force is colour, and the force is independent of other particle properties such as charge and flavour. Empirical data has led to the conclusion that there are three colour charges: red, green and blue [50]. While the colour of a quark can be changed in a strong interaction, colour conservation is a requirement of strong processes (just as charge conservation in QED). The mediators of the strong force, gluons, carry a positive and a negative colour charge themselves, and so can interact directly with other gluons. The coupling constant of the strong force is a 'running' coupling constant, meaning that it varies depending on the distance between the particles undergoing the interaction. At small distances of the order of the size of the proton ($\tilde{0.1}$ fm), α_S is small and becomes larger as distance increases, leading to quarks and gluons being essentially free particles and interacting weakly with each other when confined within a hadron, a phenomenon termed asymptotic freedom.

The previously mentioned colourless bound quark states are called hadrons. The process in which free gluons and quarks form bound colourless states is called hadronisation and manifests as a cone of particles, termed jets. Hadrons are divided into two types: mesons are composed of a quark and an antiquark with the quark carrying a colour charge and the antiquark carrying the respective anticolour; baryons are composed of three quarks or three antiquarks. Recently, the LHCb experiment at CERN published first results of the observation of a pentaquark state [10] TODO:WORTH MENTIONING?

The proton, a baryon, consists of two u-quarks, one d-quark and gluons binding the qquarks together. However, the structure of the proton becomes more complicated, consisting of more particles, as the momentum of the probing particle increases. The aforementioned three-quark-structure of the proton is evident at low momenta, while at higher momenta, virtual pairs of quarks, antiquarks and gluons are visible. These virtual quarks and gluons are termed sea-quarks and make up most of the mass of the proton. In any proton, its constituent particles each carry some fraction, x , of the overall proton momentum.

The quantum field theory of QCD is determined to have an underlying symmetry of the group $SU(3)$, based on the fact that there are three colour charges. Imposing local gauge invariance, the Lagrangian contains eight generators of the $SU(3)$ group. These generators lead to eight gauge fields, whose physical interpretation are the eight massless gluons that mediate the strong force. Therefore, although in principle there could be nine gluons, since there are three colours and gluons carry a positive and a negative colour charge, the $SU(3)$ symmetry leads to a colour octet and a colour singlet. TODO: COULD STATE THEM HERE BUT DON'T THINK IT'S NECESSARY.

Any particle that occurs in nature must be a colour singlet, and so the gluons in the colour octet are never seen in nature. However, although the final gluon is a colour singlet, it has not been observed and is thought not to exist. If it did exist, it would result in a long range strong force, but it is known that the strong force has a short range of action.

3.1.5 Spontaneous Symmetry Breaking

The spontaneous breaking of the electroweak $SU(2)$ symmetry mentioned in Section 3.1.3, also known as the Higgs mechanism was put forward in the 1960s [51]. This theory was put forward as a mechanism by which the W^\pm and Z gauge bosons could acquire mass, since the Lagrangian of the electroweak interaction contains no mass term for these particles, and their inclusion would violate local gauge invariance.

The method by which this symmetry is spontaneously broken begins with the inclusion of two new complex scalar 'Higgs' fields (so in total there are four components to these two complex fields). The introduction of these fields results in an additional scalar potential energy term in the Lagrangian, $V(\Phi)$, where Φ represents the newly introduced complex scalar fields. The potential $V(\Phi)$ is defined as

$$V(\Phi) = -\mu^2 \Phi^\dagger \Phi + \lambda^2 (\Phi^\dagger \Phi)^2 \quad (3.12)$$

Imposing the requirement of μ^2 and λ both being greater than 0 (WHY?), gives a potential of the geometry shown in Figure 3.2. The minimum of this potential is clearly not at $\Phi = 0$, rather, the minimum has a circular form given by the formula $\Phi^\dagger\Phi = \frac{\mu^2}{2\lambda} = \frac{v^2}{2}$, where $v = \frac{|\mu|}{\sqrt{\lambda}}$, the 'vacuum expectation value' of the Higgs. Since the minimum, i.e. the vacuum, is at a location other than $\Phi = 0$, The new field is said to have a non-zero vacuum expectation value, and the $SU(2) \times U(1)$ symmetry is spontaneously broken. The observed Higgs boson is created as a result of perturbations in the potential about this minimum, which removes three of the four Φ components, with the remaining field being the scalar Higgs field. In addition to this new particle, introducing the new fields also results in the fields associated with the W^\pm and Z^0 bosons in the Lagrangian acquiring mass.

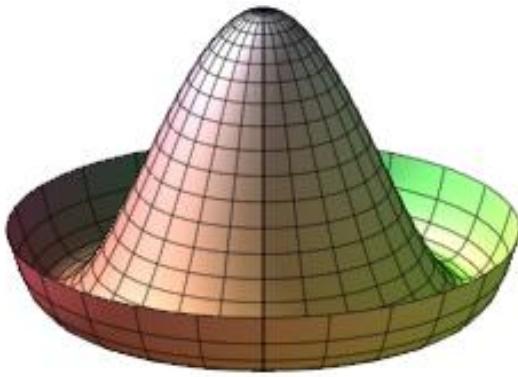


Figure 3.2: The Higgs field potential $V(\Phi)$ [63].

Terms known as Yukawa coupling terms can be introduced to specify the interactions of Φ with the fermion fields. It is this coupling of the Higgs field to any massive particle that gives them a proportional mass. The top quark, being the heaviest known particle at 173 GeV, has a Yukawa coupling to the Higgs close to 1.

Results published at the discovery of the Higgs boson are shown in Figure 3.3 in the $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ and $H \rightarrow ZZ$ channels. These plots of the invariant masses of the $\gamma\gamma$ and ZZ combinations show a clear excess of events around 125 GeV. The latest results from CMS and ATLAS state a Higgs mass of $125.09 \pm 0.21 \pm 0.11$ GeV [9], where the first uncertainty is statistical and the second is systematic. Since the announcement of the discovery of the Higgs boson in 2012, studies have continued to determine its quantum properties. Thus far, results show it

to be in agreement with predictions from the Standard Model.

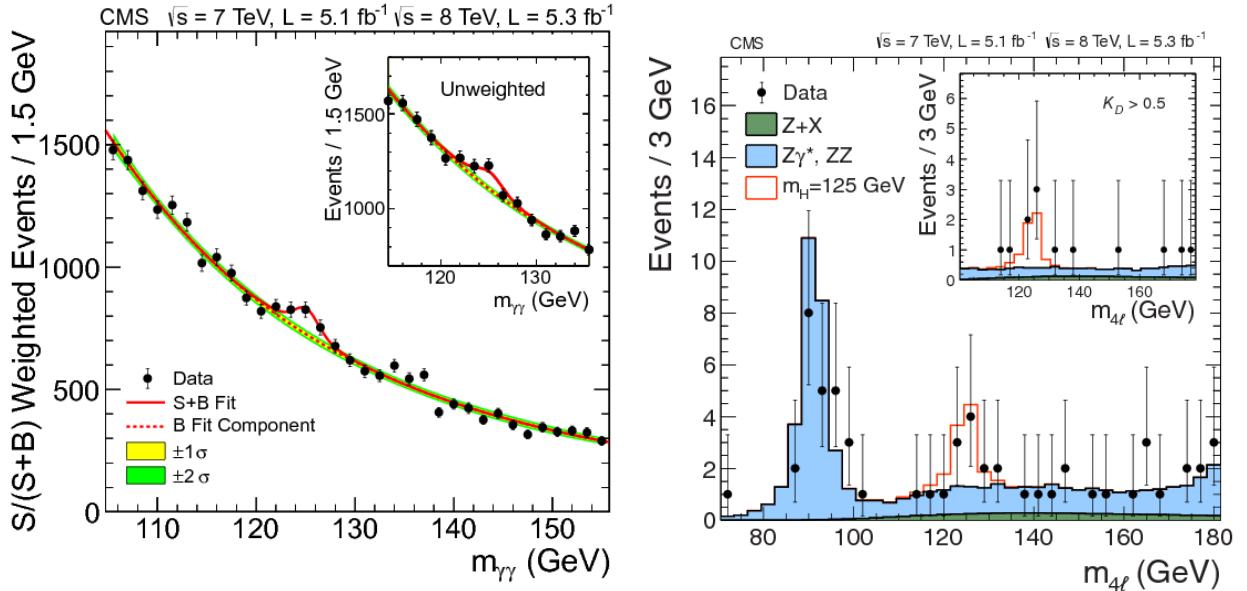


Figure 3.3: Invariant mass in $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ (left) and $H \rightarrow ZZ$ (right) channels [28].

3.2 Incompleteness of, and physics beyond, the SM

The Standard Model has proven to be an extremely successful theory thus far. However, its inability to describe many phenomena in the universe lead to it being considered currently incomplete. Indeed, a 'Grand Unified Theory' combining the electromagnetic, weak and strong interactions is considered to be the ultimate aim, with all of these forces being different physical manifestations of one single force.

There are many free parameters in the Standard Model and the very reason why it takes the form it has, with four fundamental forces, six quarks and six leptons, each divided into three generations, is not explained. The gravitational force is also conspicuous by its absence from the SM. The imbalance between matter and anti-matter in the universe, despite the generally accepted view that both were created in equal quantities in the Big Bang, is also not explained by the SM. Although the evident matter-antimatter asymmetry in the universe could be partially explained by the observed charge-parity (CP) symmetry violation in weak interactions [34], this is not sufficient to account for the observed excess.

Neither does the SM provide a theoretical explanation for neutrino mass. Originally thought to be massless, neutrinos are now thought to have mass, albeit extremely small, based on observations of neutrino oscillations between different flavours [56, 48].

The hierarchy problem, in terms of the Higgs boson, is the name given to the fact that the Higgs mass is so much smaller than the predicted value of the order of the Planck scale (1.22×10^{19} GeV). The observed mass is the sum of the bare particle mass and any corrections from high order processes. This disagreement suggests that there occurs some 'fine tuning' of the bare Higgs mass to lead to the measured mass of approximately 125 GeV.

Supersymmetry (SUSY) is one potential solution to hierarchy problem. This theory proposes a symmetry between fermions (spin $\frac{1}{2}$) and bosons (spin 1). Each particle has an associated 'superpartner' with identical quantum properties with the exception of spin, which differs by $\frac{1}{2}$, so that all Standard Model fermions have a boson superpartner, and all Standard Model bosons have a fermion superpartner. These super particles, or sparticles, are thought to have higher masses than their Standard Model counterparts since they have not been discovered yet. If this is the case, supersymmetry would be a broken symmetry. In many supersymmetry theories, the lightest SUSY particle (LSP) is stable and is a potential candidate to be a dark matter particle.

Dark matter and dark energy are thought to constitute about 27% dark matter, 68% dark energy and 5% ordinary matter (Figure 3.4) [15]. The origins and nature of the dark energy and dark matter are currently unknown and they are as yet unobserved, but their existence has been inferred from their gravitational effects on galactic masses composed of stars, gases and dust. The relatively large amounts of dark matter and dark energy hypothesised suggests that they are made up of weakly interacting massive particles.

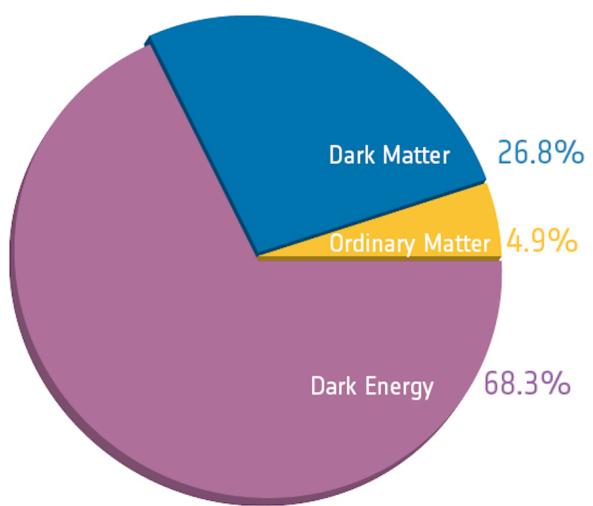


Figure 3.4: The composition of the universe showing the amounts of dark matter, dark energy and ordinary matter based on latest results from Planck/ESA [15]

4 | Top Physics at the LHC

4.1 Introduction

The top quark was discovered by the CDF and DØ collaborations at the Tevatron at Fermilab in 1995 [13, 11] and is still one of the less well studied fundamental particles in the Standard Model. The top quark is the heaviest fermion with its mass currently placed at $173.29 \pm 0.23(\text{stat.}) \pm 0.92(\text{syst.})$ GeV/c² [39]. Since the lifetime of the top quark is very short, approximately 5×10^{25} s [65], it is the only one of the quarks to decay before it hadronises, meaning that the bare quark properties can be investigated. These unique properties of the top quark within the Standard Model mean it is an interesting focus of study.

4.1.1 Top Quark Production and Decay

Top quarks can be produced either in top-antitop ($t\bar{t}$) production through the strong interaction or single top (t-quark) production through the electroweak mechanism. During Run 1 of data taking at the LHC produced millions of top quark pair events with gluon-gluon fusion or quark-antiquark annihilation being the primary production mechanisms, as shown in Figure 4.1. Gluon-gluon fusion dominates at the LHC since protons are collided with protons, meaning antiquarks are only available from sea quarks in the proton. In addition, at low momentum fractions, x , the gluon density in the proton is large compared to the sea quarks, and increases at a higher rate than that of the sea quarks. TODO: COULD INSERT PLOT OF PROTON PDFs IF NEEDED

At $\sqrt{s} = 7$ TeV, gluon-gluon fusion accounts for approximately 80% of the total t-quark production cross section, increasing to approximately 90% at $\sqrt{s} = 14$ TeV [65].

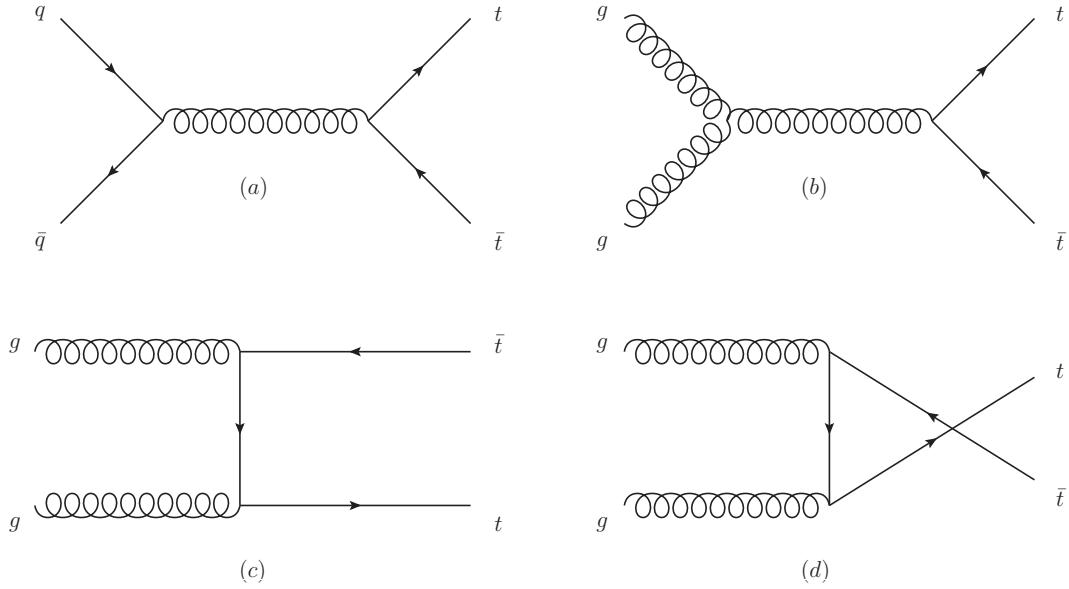


Figure 4.1: Feynman diagrams of leading order $t\bar{t}$ production processes. (a) depicts quark-antiquark annihilation, and (b), (c) and (d) depict gluon-gluon fusion in the s, t and u channels respectively.)

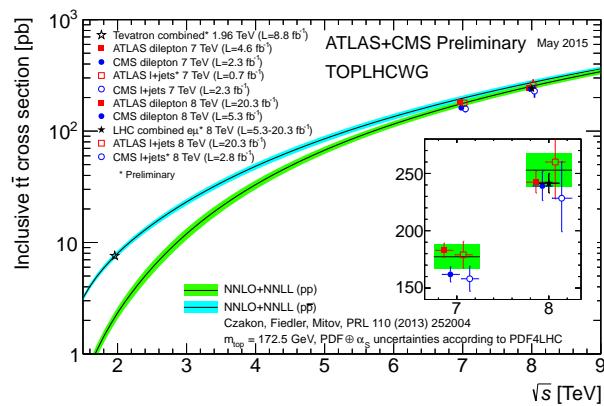


Figure 4.2: $t\bar{t}$ production cross sections at 1.96 TeV at CDF and DØ at the TeVatron and at 7 TeV and 8 TeV at CMS and ATLAS at the LHC. HOW REFERENCE IMAGE FROM <https://twiki.cern.ch/twiki/bin/view/LHCPhysics/TopLHCWGSummaryPlots>?

Top quarks decay almost 100% of the time to a W boson and a b flavour jet. The W boson then decays either hadronically (into two jets) or leptonically (lepton + neutrino). Top pair events are characterised by the decay of the W bosons:

- Leptonic: $t\bar{t} \rightarrow W^+ b W^- \bar{b} \rightarrow l\nu_l b l' \bar{\nu}_l \bar{b}$. Both W bosons decay to a lepton and a neutrino. The event would consist of 2 jets, 2 leptons and 2 neutrinos (which would show up as E_T^{miss} in the event). (10.5%)
- Hadronic: $t\bar{t} \rightarrow W^+ b W^- \bar{b} \rightarrow q\bar{q} b q\bar{q} \bar{b}$. Both W bosons decay to two jets. The event would consist of 6 jets. (45.7%)
- Semi-Leptonic: $t\bar{t} \rightarrow W^+ b W^- \bar{b} \rightarrow q\bar{q} b l \nu_l \bar{b}$. One W boson decays to a lepton and a neutrino, the other decays to two jets. The event would consist of 4 jets, 1 lepton and 1 neutrino. This decay is shown in Figure 4.3. (43.8%)

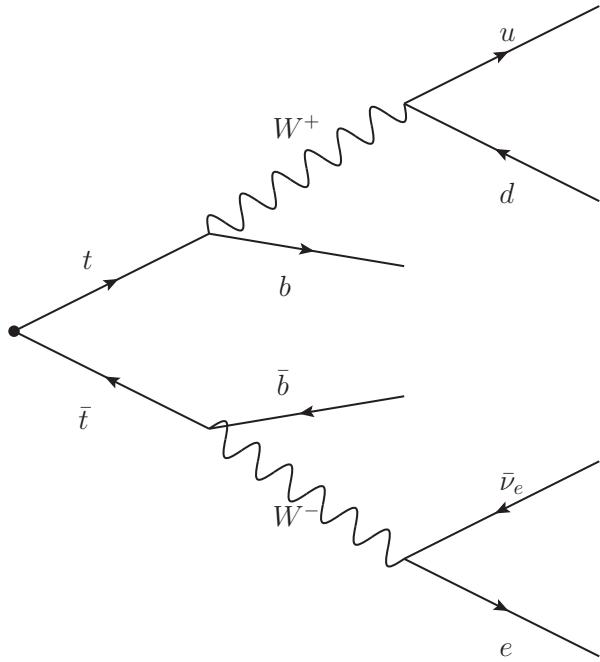


Figure 4.3: Feynman diagram of the electron+jets semi-leptonic $t\bar{t}$ decay channel

The branching ratios for each decay mode are quoted in brackets [65], and are represented graphically in Figure 4.4. The numbers of jets in the final state of each channel could be higher than the numbers quoted above as a result of higher order processes such as initial state radiation (radiation from the gluons before the $t\bar{t}$ production) or final state radiation.

The hadronic decay channel, with multiple jets and no leptons in the final state, is difficult to distinguish from the QCD multijet, W+jets and Z+jets backgrounds. Conversely, the leptonic channel has a very clean signature with two leptons, however the low branching ratio would limit the available statistics. The semi-leptonic channel, with one lepton and four jets provides a good balance between statistics and event identification. The lepton can be any of an electron, muon or τ , but τ s are not included in semi-leptonic t-quark analyses in general as they are difficult to identify (see Section 8.1.1).

Top Pair Decay Channels

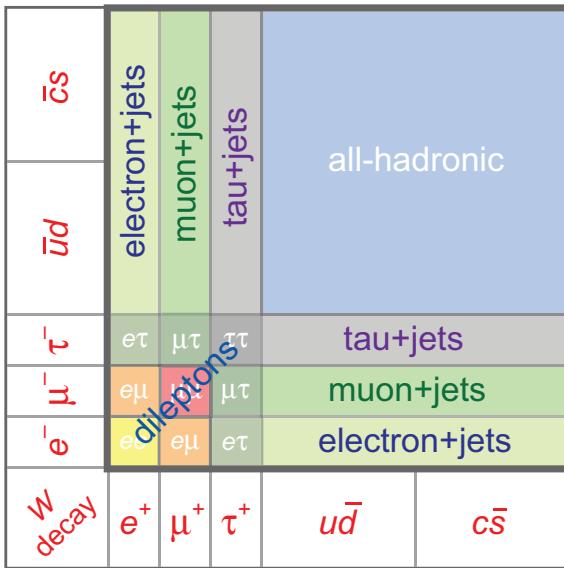


Figure 4.4: Relative branching ratios of the $t\bar{t}$ system

The signal event for this analysis is the semi-leptonic channel of the $t\bar{t}$ decay, also referred to as the lepton+jets channel, where the lepton is either an electron or a muon. These channels have a branching ratio of approximately 14.2 % and 14.4 % respectively [65].

4.1.2 Single Top background

Single top production is one of the backgrounds considered in this analysis, and can occur via the electroweak interaction in one of three channels: s-channel or t-channel which involve the exchange of a virtual W boson, or tW-channel which involves the associated production of a W boson and a top quark. Although semi-leptonic $t\bar{t}$ decays have more jets in the

final state than these single top production modes, initial state radiation and final state radiation, where low energy gluons and quarks are produced before and after the interaction that produces the single quark, can increase the numbers of jets in single top events. This can lead to such events having a similar signature to $t\bar{t}$ events, and providing a non-negligible background.

4.1.3 W/Z+jets background

$W + \text{jets}$ events present a significant background to semi-leptonic $t\bar{t}$ analyses. This background consists of events in which a real W boson is produced together with additional jets. Events in which these W bosons decay leptonically, can provide a similar event signature after reconstruction to that of a semi-leptonic $t\bar{t}$ decay. However, in general, these processes can be removed from the signal selection because the final decay products in $W + \text{jets}$ events have lower energies than those from semi-leptonic $t\bar{t}$ decays, since the top quark has a high mass. Another characteristic of $W + \text{jets}$ events is that the jets are more likely to be light quark jets and therefore less likely to be the necessary b-jet s from $t\bar{t}$ events. Thus, $W + \text{jets}$ events can be separated from the $t\bar{t}$ signal by using jet multiplicity, jet p_T and b-jet multiplicity.

Similarly, $Z + \text{jets}$ events can mimic $t\bar{t}$ events where the leptonic decay of Z bosons to a lepton and an anti-lepton takes place. This background can be distinguished and removed from semi-leptonic $t\bar{t}$ decays by vetoing on a second lepton and imposing jet multiplicity requirements. Misidentification and misreconstruction of these leptons as jets, however, such events could appear to be $t\bar{t}$ events and pass the signal selection, although this contamination would be small.

4.1.4 QCD background

The multi-jet background from QCD events is also a significant background to this semi-leptonic $t\bar{t}$ analysis. Gluon-gluon fusion and quark-antiquark annihilation in proton-proton collisions can produce energetic jets. Although these processes have only two jets in their

final state, higher order processes, including initial state radiation and final state radiation, can also produce additional jets, leading to potential mimicking of the semi-leptonic $t\bar{t}$ signal. The leptons required for this to happen can come from jets which are misreconstructed and misidentified as leptons, or real leptons in heavy flavour (b and c flavour) jets. Unfortunately the cross section of these processes is much higher (by several orders of magnitude) than the signal cross section. Although the lepton (either fake or real) is rarely one that passes selection, the much higher QCD cross section means that its contribution as a background is significant.

In the muon+jets channel, only highly energetic jets ($p_T > 500$ GeV) are capable of “punching through” from the calorimeters to leave tracks in the muon chambers. Such events can be removed by isolation (since it deposits significant amounts of energy in the calorimeters) requirements. Events with real electrons and muons from heavy quark jets can be identified by the track quality requirements in the selection since they would not begin from the primary vertex and so would have a distinct track signature compared to prompt leptons.

On the other hand, the electron channel poses a more problematic QCD background, due mainly to the conversion of photons, whether produced at the interaction point or through subsequent decays and radiation, into electrons and positrons. The identification and removal of such events is described in Section 2.7.1. However, the large uncertainty in the cross section of QCD events, large contamination from higher order processes with additional jets in the signal region of this analysis and the difficulty in Monte Carlo modelling of such contributions lead to significant disagreements in the numbers of events passing the signal selection in data and in simulation. Therefore, the QCD background is modelled using a data driven method.

The QCD background is difficult to model precisely because of large uncertainties on the cross sections and the significant higher contributions which can easily be mismodelled, leading to incorrect event kinematics and selection biases. Hence, the QCD background shape is modelled using a data driven method, described in Section 6.3.5 and then normalised to the

number of events passing the selection process in Monte Carlo.

4.2 Monte Carlo Simulation

Monte Carlo event simulation is used to simulate the aforementioned signal and background processes, and to compare the theoretical knowledge of the Standard Model incorporated therein with real data. Differences between simulation and data would then indicate the presence of new physics processes which are not present in the theoretical assumptions made in the Standard Model, or perhaps that the simulation process is sub-optimal. Different event generators exist, and samples produced by the MADGRAPH, PYTHIA, POWHEG and HERWIG generators are used in this analysis.

Different generators have characteristics which optimise them for different aspects of the production chain: the initial hard process scattering of the partons in the hadrons (protons), decay showers of the resulting partons, subsequent decays of resulting hadrons and hadronisation of resulting partons, and the underlying event (the parton showers produced from soft scattering between the remaining contents of the colliding protons).

4.2.1 MadGraph

MADGRAPH [18], a matrix element generator, works by taking into account every potential Feynman diagram for a given process and subsequently calculating the matrix elements for said diagrams over all phase space. The parton distribution functions are used to generate the incoming partons. The cross section of the process and various subprocesses and the structure and contents of the event (such as the partons present and their kinematics) are thus produced. Proton fragmentation and subsequent hadronisation are simulated using the PYTHIA generator, as explained in Section 4.2.3. The parton showers are then matched with the matrix element partons via the MLM method [52]. This method ensures that parton showers with a highly energetic jet are not double counted.

Matching is then carried out between parton showers in the hadronisation and the partons from the matrix element calculations. The matching is carried out by satisfying distance requirements in η and ϕ between the parton and parton shower. Only if the parton has a transverse energy above a certain threshold, is it considered for this matching, and if an event contains either too few or too many matching jets, it is discarded. The matching threshold is process dependent as follows:

- $t\bar{t}$: 20 GeV
- $W + \text{jets}$: 10 GeV
- $Z + \text{jets}$: 10 GeV

4.2.2 MCatNLO

The MC@NLO [44, 46] generator is a next-to-leading-order generator. These additional corrections provide more accurate simulations of physics processes in comparison to leading-order generators by including additional partons from the initial hard process in the final state of the event.

4.2.3 PYTHIA

PYTHIA [69] then simulates the proton fragmentation, the subsequent hadronisation of the resulting quarks and gluons resulting from the hard interaction and the underlying event. PYTHIA is considered to be particularly good at multi-particle simulation, modelling fragmentation and hadronisation, and matching parton showers. Therefore, PYTHIA carries out these steps after the initial partons are provided by other generators in most simulated samples, if it is not already used for the whole production chain (as is common in QCD multijet simulations).

4.2.4 POWHEG

One problem with the MC@NLO generator is that some events are given negative weights when matching the next-to-leading-order QCD multijet calculations to parton showers. The Positive Weight Hardest Emission Generator, POWHEG [45, 64, 17], is another next-to-leading-order generator which generates the hardest processes in the event first, which avoids double counting of softer radiation produced later in the chain, which is the cause of negative event weights.

4.3 Theoretical Systematics

4.3.1 Factorisation & Matching Threshold

Systematic uncertainties are present in the choice of the threshold transverse energy above which matching of matrix-element partons to parton showers is carried out. Simulated samples in which the threshold is increased and decreased by a factor of 2, are used to estimate the affect of this uncertainty on this analysis:

- $t\bar{t}$
 - + variation: 40 GeV
 - - variation: 10 GeV
- $W + \text{jets}$
 - + variation: 20 GeV
 - - variation: 5 GeV
- $Z + \text{jets}$
 - + variation: 20 GeV

– - variation: 5 GeV

Similarly, the factorisation scale at which α_S is varied up and down from the nominal value of $Q^2 = m^2 + \Sigma p_T^2$ by a factor of 2 to produce simulation samples to evaluate the systematic uncertainty resulting from this. The uncertainty resulting from these variations are evaluated in both $t\bar{t}$ and $W/Z + \text{jets}$ processes.

4.3.2 Detector Simulation (GEANT)

Following creation of the physics processes in proton-proton collisions, the simulated events are then put through a detector simulation to evaluate the interaction of the detector with the products of collisions. The Geometry and Tracking 4 (GEANT4) package is used for this purpose, which generally simulates what happens to particles as they travel through the geometry of the detector, including simulation of the detector components and materials and the interaction of particles with the detector such as particle tracks and energy deposits.

5 | B Tagging Studies

Since the t-quark decays to a W boson and a b-quark, the understanding of these decay products is important in studies of $t\bar{t}$ events. In particular, methods to identify jets coming from a b-quark, known as b-tagging, are commonly used to increase the efficiency of a signal selection. CMS has several algorithms for b-tagging: TrackCounting (High Efficiency) and TrackCounting (High Purity), JetBProbability; JetProbability; SoftMuon; SoftMuonByPt; SoftMuonByIP3d; SimpleSecondaryVertex (High Efficiency); SimpleSecondaryVertex (High Purity); CombinedSecondaryVertex; CombinedSecondaryVetexMVA. These algorithms produce a discriminator output for each jet which indicates how likely it is to be a flavour jet. In all cases, a more positive discriminator value indicates a jet that is more likely to be a flavour jet. Performance of the different algorithms varies owing to the fact that they use different jet properties to produce their discriminators.

5.1 Inputs to b-tagging algorithms

Jet are

5.1.1 Vertex Finding

The JetProbability algorithm calculates the signed impact parameter significance based on all good tracks in the jet, and uses this significance to calculate discriminator based on the confidence level that all tracks are from the primary vertex. The JetBProbability variant of this algorithm uses only the four most displaced tracks in the jet.

The Simple Secondary Vertex uses an adaptive vertex finder to reconstruct the secondary vertex and calculate the disciminator based on variables such as the decay length signifi-

cance.

The Soft Muon algorithms use the detection of a muon from the semi-leptonic decay of a b quark and a neural net analysis. The Track Counting algorithms simply take all the tracks within a jet and order them by decreasing order of signed impact parameter significance, with the discriminator being the significance of the second track (high efficiency) or the third track (high purity).

The current CMS recommendation is to use the Combined Secondary Vertex (CSV) algorithm for physics analyses. This algorithm reconstructs the event vertices using the Trimmed Kalman Vertex Finder, which fits tracks to a primary vertex after removing incompatible tracks and applies cuts to these vertices in order to find a secondary vertex (the `decay` vertex). Depending on how many candidate secondary vertices are found, different combinations of variables such as impact parameter, flight distance significance between primary and secondary vertices, event kinematics and secondary vertex information are used to calculate a discriminator value [71].

TODO: INCLUDE A MORE DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF EACH ALGORITHM? ALSO INCLUDE PLOTS FOR OTHER ALGORITHMS?

5.2 Algorithm analysis

Analysing a Fall 2011 $t\bar{t}$ Madgraph Monte Carlo sample (`/TTJets_TuneZ2_7TeV-madgraph-tauola/`) simulated in CMSSW 44X, all algorithms produced higher discriminator values for the b jets in the sample than the light jets (up, down and strange flavour), gluon jets and c flavour jets. All histograms were normalised to unity in order to facilitate shape comparison. Figure 5.1 shows these normalised histograms produced by the CSV algorithm.

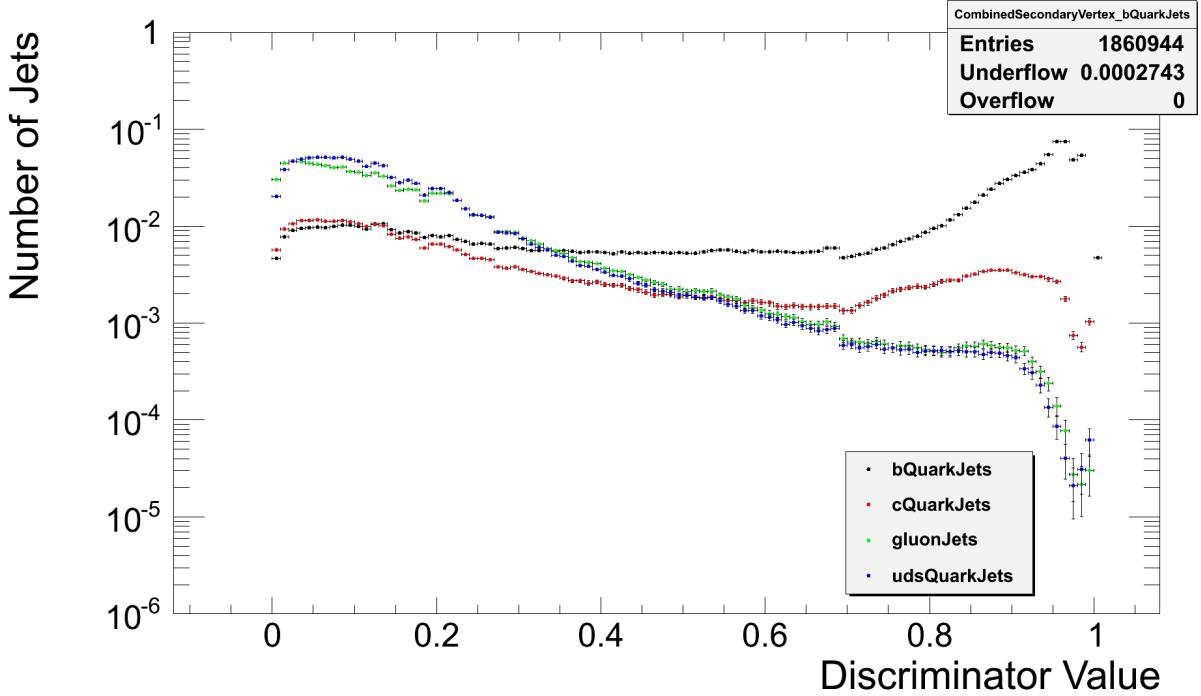


Figure 5.1: Discriminator values produced by the Combined Secondary Vertex algorithm for all 4 jet flavours after normalisation

5.3 Efficiency

Cutting on a desired discriminator value allows the efficiency of that cut value to be found by taking the area of the histogram to the right of the cut value, as a proportion of the total histogram area. Cuts were made through the whole range of discriminator values in order to create plots of b tag efficiency as a function of cut value. In practice, the aim is to achieve a high efficiency for b jets and a low efficiency for all other jet flavours. Figure 5.2 shows how the efficiency for light, gluon and c jets vary as a function of b jet efficiency for cuts made on the CSV discriminator.

5.4 Algorithm Comparison

The performances of the various algorithms can be compared in Figure 5.3.

Algorithms which reach closest to the lower lower right of the plot show better performance,

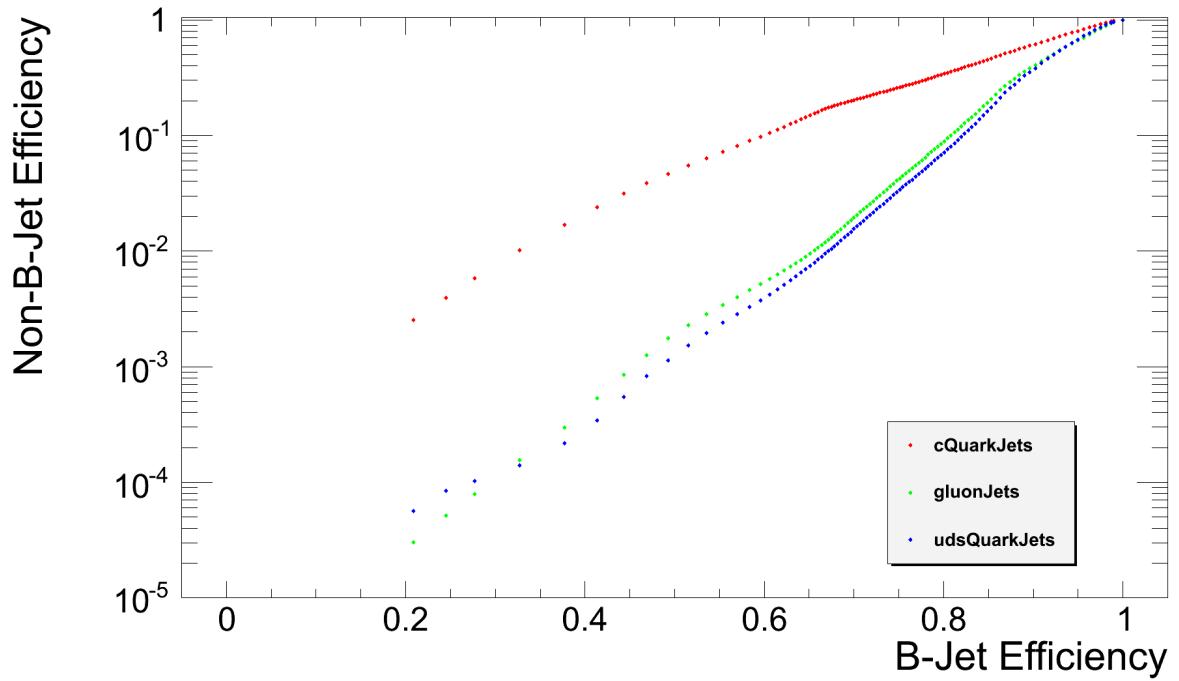


Figure 5.2: Non b jet efficiencies as a function of b jet efficiency for the CSV algorithm

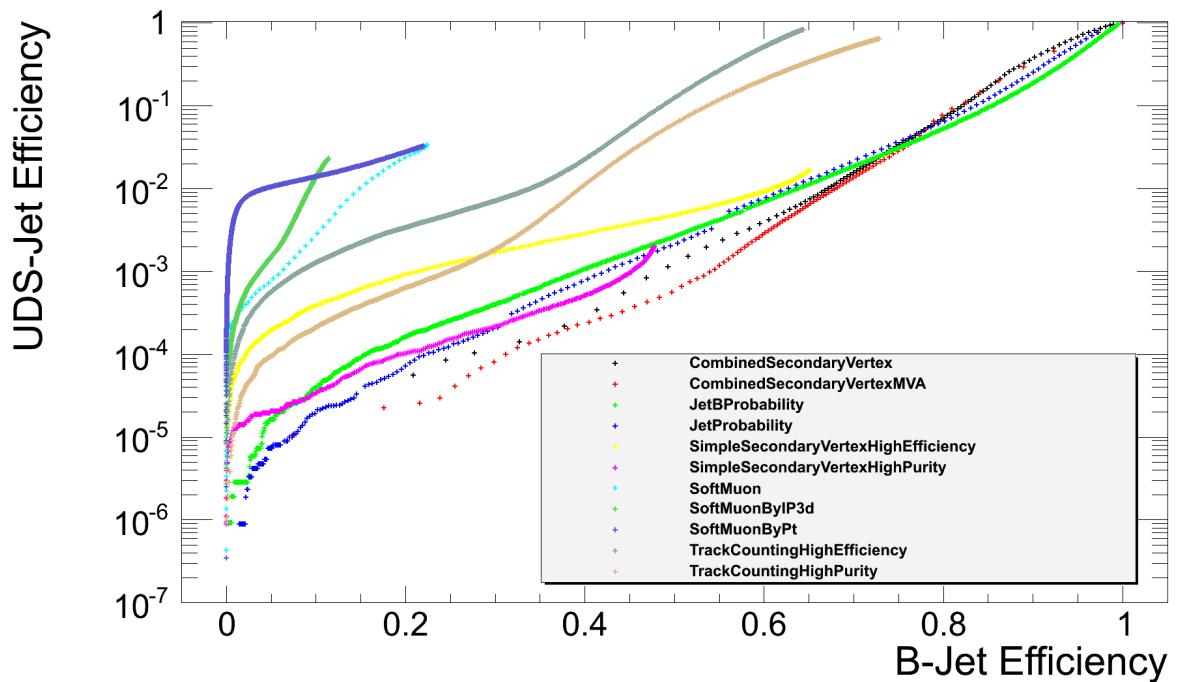


Figure 5.3: UDS jet efficiencies as a function of b jet efficiencies for all algorithms

according to the requirements of high b jet efficiency and low light jet efficiency. It can be seen that not all algorithms reach 100% efficiency for b jets due to some being inherently limited by their methods EXPAND ON THIS. For instance, the soft muon algorithms all show low maximum b jet efficiencies due to the low b hadron semi leptonic branching ratio to muon of approximately 11% (or 20% when further decays are included) [43]. The 2011 and 2012 CMS recommended b tagger is the Combined Secondary Vertex with operating point cuts of 0.244 (loose), 0.679 (medium) and 0.898 (tight) corresponding to 10%, 1% and 0.1% light jet and gluon jet efficiencies respectively. These cuts are indicated by the horizontal lines on Figure 5.3. It can be seen that for the tight and medium cuts, the CSV MVA algorithms provides highest b jet efficiency and lowest light jet efficiency, followed closely by the CSV algorithm. At approximately 3% light jet efficiency, there is a convergence of many b taggers which all provide similar performance, above which the JetBProbability algorithm gives marginally higher b jet efficiency.

6 | 7 TeV and 8 TeV Differential Cross Section Measurement: Data, Simulation and Selection

6.1 Introduction

This analysis measures the normalised differential $t\bar{t}$ cross section in the semi-leptonic channel and is carried out on 2011 and 2012 data recorded from the CMS detector. The measurement is carried out with respect to the following global, or primary, variables is carried out:

- E_T^{miss} , the missing transverse energy in an event
- H_T , the sum of the jet transverse momenta in an event
- S_T , the sum of the observed transverse momenta in an event
- M_T^W , the transverse mass of the leptonically decaying W boson
- p_T^W , the transverse momentum of the leptonically decaying W boson

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Previous analyses using 7 TeV data investigating E_T^{miss} and using 8 TeV data investigatin all the global variables listed above can be found in [4] and [5] respectively.

This investigation is motivated primarily by the importance of understanding $t\bar{t}$ events since they are a significant background in many new physics analyses. It is also helpful in understanding QCD and event generators. Rare Standard Model processes such as

$t\bar{t} + W \rightarrow l\nu$ or $t\bar{t} + Z \rightarrow \nu\bar{\nu}$ would appear in E_T^{miss} distribution tail, and $t\bar{t} + X$ where X is massive would appear in the H_T and S_T distributions. There are also possible new physics scenarios such as stop pair production, $\tilde{t}\bar{t} \rightarrow t\tilde{\chi}_0\bar{t}\tilde{\chi}_0$ which could show hints of dark matter.

6.2 Data and Simulated Samples

6.2.1 Data

Data collected in 2011 at a centre-of-mass energy of 7 TeV and in 2012 at a centre-of-mass energy of 8 TeV are used. The datasets are determined by the triggers that were used to record them. For 7 TeV, the ElectronHad dataset is used in the electron channel. It was recorded with triggers that select based on a single, isolated electron and additional jets. At 8 TeV, the SingleElectron dataset was used for the electron channel which is based on a single, isolated electron. In the muon channel, the SingleMu dataset was used for both centre-of-mass energies, requiring a single, isolated muon. See Section 6.3 for more details about triggers. The datasets used are shown in Tables A.1 and tab:datasets8TeV in Appendix A.1. Only data that is certified as “golden”, which is defined as data taken with the detector working without any major faults, is used. The masks used to filter out data taken in other periods are specified in Table A.3 in Appendix A.1.

6.2.2 Simulated Samples

The Monte Carlo generators used in this analysis are MADGRAPH [18], PYTHIA [69], POWHEG [64, 45, 17], HERWIG [49] and MC@NLO [44, 46].

The signal for this analysis is the production of a $t\bar{t}$ pair which decays semi-leptonically, i.e. each of the t quarks decays to a W boson and a b jet, with one of the W bosons decaying hadronically to two jets and the other decaying leptonically to a lepton (electron or muon) and an associated neutrino. Section ?? outlines the signal and background events

considered.

Additional, lower energy jets, can be produced from other scatterings in the same proton-proton interaction and from gluon radiation from quarks in the decay.

Tables 6.1 and 6.2 show the Monte Carlo signal and background samples respectively used in this analysis. Top pair production is modelled using MADGRAPH, single top events are modelled with POWHEG, W and Z boson plus jets production is modelled using MADGRAPH and QCD multi-jet events are modelled with PYTHIA. In all cases, PYTHIA is used to model radiation and hadronisation processes. Tables 6.3 and 6.6 show the samples used to evaluate the factorisation scale and matching threshold uncertainties. W + jets and Z + jets samples were not made available at 7 TeV, so the scaled distributions from 8 TeV were used, as described in Section 7.3.2.

Table 6.1: 7 TeV Monte Carlo signal datasets used for this analysis.

Process	Generator	σ (pb)	No. events	\mathcal{L}_{int} (fb^{-1})
$t\bar{t}$	MADGRAPH	177.31	17100187	96.4
$t\bar{t}$	MC@NLO	Not Available	-	-
$t\bar{t}$	POWHEG-PYTHIA	177.31	4833135	27.3
$t\bar{t}$	POWHEG-HERWIG	177.31	4480816	25.3

6.3 Selection

Selection algorithms are run on the data and samples listed in Sections 6.2 and 6.2.2 to identify $t\bar{t}$ events. The selection process is performed in two stages: a “pre-selection” using loose criteria to produce ntuples and a second full selection when processing these ntuples to produce histograms of variables of interest. The selection used follows the recommended criteria by the CMS TOP Physics Analysis Group (PAG) and is the same for 7 TeV and 8 TeV.

6.3.1 Preselection

The preselection is performed on the AOD datasets, with the aim of making the resulting ntuples smaller in size but still versatile enough for use later in the analysis chain.

The preselection requires at least one good primary vertex with at least four degrees of freedom, located within 24cm of the centre of the CMS detector in the z direction and within 2cm of the centre of the beam trajectory in the transverse plane. In addition, events are required to have at least one lepton candidate. In the case of electrons, a transverse energy of at least 30 GeV and $|\eta| < 2.5$ and in the muon channel a transverse momentum of at least 20 GeV and $|\eta| < 2.1$ are required.

Trigger flags are also required to pass a trigger. The triggers used in both 7 TeV and 8 TeV data are shown in Appendix 6.7. In the electron channel, an electron plus jets trigger was used in 2011 with a requirement of electron $E_T > 25$ GeV and at least three jets with $p_T > 20$ GeV; and a single electron trigger was used in 2012 with an electron E_T requirement of 27 GeV. In the muon channel, a single muon trigger was used in both data taking periods. In addition to these kinematic requirements, the triggers also have cuts for the electron on the ratio between the HCAL and the ECAL energy (H/E), track matching with ECAL ($\Delta\eta$ and $\Delta\phi$), cluster shape ($\sigma_{i\eta i\eta}$), ECAL isolation ($\frac{\text{ECAL iso}}{E_T}$), HCAL isolation ($\frac{\text{HCAL iso}}{E_T}$) and tracker isolation ($\frac{\text{tracker iso}}{p_T}$). In the muon triggers, similarly, they have additional cuts on... TODO:

Several filters are also applied in the preselection stage to remove events with significant levels of noise due to elements of the detector with sub-optimal performance during data-taking. These filters include a HCAL noise filter to remove events with high HCAL noise, a tracking failure filter to remove events with too few tracks, ECAL filters to remove events with signals in dead and/or noisy modules of the ECAL and a beam scraping veto which requires tracks of high purity in events with high track multiplicity.

6.3.2 Electron selection

The final event selection follows that recommended by the CMS TOP Physics Analysis Group (PAG). After having passed the electron trigger, events are further required to have an electron with an MVA electron identification of > 0.5 , with $E_T > 30 \text{ GeV}$ and $|\eta| < 2.5$ (excluding the transition region between the ECAL barrel and endcap of $1.4442 < |\eta| < 1.5660$). A transverse impact parameter, the distance between the electron and the primary vertex, of $d_{xy} < 0.02\text{cm}$ is also required. In addition, a ρ corrected (explained in Section 2.7.5) relative isolation of < 0.1 , within a cone of size $\Delta R = 0.3$ is required and electrons that are matched to a photon conversion are rejected. A veto on additional electrons with looser identification criteria than the signal requirements mentioned here include an MVA identification of > 0.5 , $E_T > 20 \text{ GeV}$, $|\eta| < 2.5$ and a ρ corrected relative isolation of < 0.15 .

6.3.3 Muon selection

As in the electron channel, the final selection in the muon channel is taken from the CMS TOP PAG recommendations. In this case, the muon identification requirement comprises several cuts: at least five hits in the tracker and at least one hit in the muon chambers, at least one layer of the muon chamber hits must be matched to a global muon, and the inner track must produce at least one hit in the pixel sub detector. Furthermore, the normalised chi-squared of the track fit should be less than 10. In addition, the muon identification algorithms should identify the particle as a global, particle flow (PF) muon, the muon track should pass within a z-distance of $d_z < 0.5\text{cm}$ of the primary vertex and the transverse impact parameter is required to be $d_{xy} < 0.2\text{cm}$. The signal selection also requires that the muon has a $p_T > 26 \text{ GeV}$, $|\eta| < 2.1$ and a $\Delta\beta$ corrected (explained in Section 2.7.5) relative isolation of < 0.12 , within a cone of size $\Delta R = 0.4$. Loose muons are vetoed, that satisfy the looser requirements of passing the particle flow identification, $p_T > 10 \text{ GeV}$, $|\eta| < 2.5$ and a $\Delta\beta$ corrected relative isolation < 0.2 .

6.3.4 Jets selection

In addition to the signal lepton, all events must also have at least four particle flow jets as reconstructed using the anti- kt algorithm [23] with a cone of $\Delta R = 0.5$. These jets must also have $p_{\text{T}} > 30 \text{ GeV}$, $|\eta| < 2.5$, be at least $\Delta R = 0.3$ from the signal electron or muon and satisfy the criteria for the loose particle flow jet identification. These criteria include a neutral hadron energy fraction of < 0.99 , a neutral electromagnetic energy fraction of < 0.99 and be comprised of at least one constituent. If the jet $|\eta| < 2.4$, the PF loose jet ID additionally requires a charged electromagnetic fraction of < 0.99 , a charged hadron fraction of > 0 and at least one charged hadronic constituent in the jet. Candidate particle flow jets from pileup are removed from the event; this is known as charged hadron subtraction. Events with at least four jets passing these criteria are permitted to have other lower energy jets passing the same requirements mentioned above, down to $p_{\text{T}} = 20 \text{ GeV}$. At least two of the four primary jets are further required to originate from b quarks (the process of identifying b jets is explained in Section 6.4.2.)

6.3.5 Multi-jet background selection

The QCD background is difficult to model in simulation and has been shown to be in poor agreement with data, therefore this background distribution is modelled from data. In the electron+jets channel, applying the full event selection with the exception of an inverted conversion veto provides a control region comprised primarily of QCD events in the photon conversion region. The ≥ 2 b tags requirement is also relaxed to select only events with 0 b tags to enrich the selection with QCD events. In order to evaluate a systematic uncertainty on the shape of this QCD background, an alternative control region is obtained by using the full signal selection but with the electron isolation requirement changed from < 0.1 to > 0.2 .

In the case of the muon+jets channel, the full selection is applied with the exception of the

muon relative isolation requirement, which is switched from < 0.12 to > 0.3 and with the b tag requirement reduced to only events with 0 b tags in order to remove most other $t\bar{t}$ background processes and produce a high purity QCD sample. In order to increase statistics the jet multiplicity requirement reduced to at least three jets.

Due to the low statistics of the QCD samples obtained from data, an inclusive sample is used over all bins of a primary variable. The remaining contribution from $t\bar{t}$, single-top and $W/Z+jets$ processes is subtracted from the data sample using the estimation from simulation and an uncertainty of $\pm 10\%$ of the subtracted events is applied TODO:CHECK IF WE STILL DO THIS. The resulting template of QCD events from data is then used later in the fitting procedure, in place of the Monte Carlo template.

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6.4 Data-MC scale factors

The data-MC scale factors used are in accordance with the CMS TOP PAG, and the relevant corrections are implemented for 7 TeV and 8 TeV. These correction factors account for the small but significant differences between data and Monte Carlo simulation distributions regarding pileup modelling; b tagging; trigger, identification and isolation efficiency; jet energy scale and jet energy resolution, and E_T^{miss} calculation.

6.4.1 Pileup

The pileup distribution in simulation does not reflect the true distribution in data, therefore pileup reweighting is carried out. The instantaneous luminosity is used to estimate the number of pileup instances in an event at $\sqrt{s} = 7$ TeV and $\sqrt{s} = 8$ TeV using a tool provided by the CMS Physics Validation Group. For each number of pileup interactions in simulation, a weight is then produced to match the respective distribution in data.

The estimation of the pileup distribution in data is obtained using the instantaneous luminosity

measured in each proton bunch crossing, and the total inelastic proton-proton cross section. There is an uncertainty on the measured luminosity which is currently 2.6% for 2012 data [37] and 2.2% for 2011 data [36]. The total inelastic cross section has been reported using CMS forward calorimetry [27] and by the TOTEM collaboration [19]. Based on these findings, the CMS recommended central values of 68mb for $\sqrt{s} = 7$ and 69.3mb for $\sqrt{s} = 8$ have been used, with a $\pm 5\%$ uncertainty to account for pileup and physics modelling in simulation. The distributions of the number of reconstructed vertices before and after applying pileup reweighting in the electron+jets channel is shown in Figure 6.1, and in the muon+jets channel is shown in Figure A.1 in Appendix A.2. The distributions show good agreement after reweighting.

6.4.2 b tagging

The combined secondary vertex b-tagging algorithm (CSV) described in Section 2.7.3 is used in this analysis to identify jets originating from b-quarks in $t\bar{t}$ events. The medium working point, CSVM, which corresponds to a cut on the discriminator output by the algorithm of 0.679, is used in this analysis. Discrepancies between the b-tagging efficiency in data and Monte Carlo simulation have been noted in $\sqrt{s} = 7$ TeV [3] and $\sqrt{s} = 8$ TeV [6]. To account for these differences, events are reweighted based on the recommendation of the CMS b-tagging Physics Object Group (POG), with the aim of ensuring that the probability of an event passing selection criteria in simulation matches the probability of an even in data with the same jet(s) passing the same selection. The result of this reweighting in the electron+jets channel is shown in Figure 6.2, and in the muon+jets channel in Figure A.2 in Appendix A.2 . The b-tagging efficiency uncertainty is evaluated by varying the scale factors by $\pm 1\sigma$.

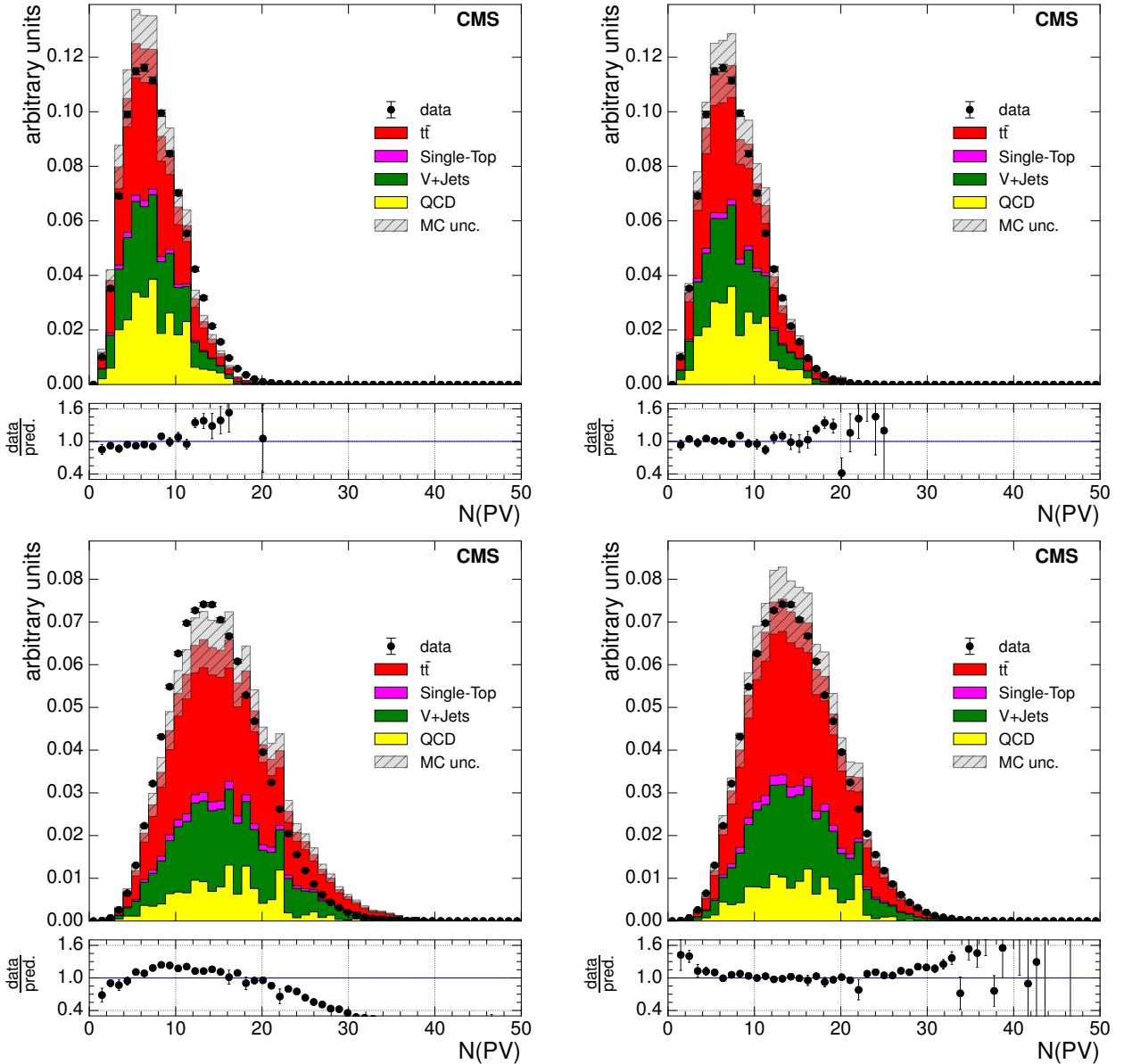


Figure 6.1: Distributions of the number of reconstructed vertices in an event in the electron+jets channel before implementing pileup reweighting (left) and after implementation (right) at $\sqrt{s} = 7 \text{ TeV}$ (upper) and $\sqrt{s} = 8 \text{ TeV}$ (lower). Both data and sum of MC simulations are normalised to one.

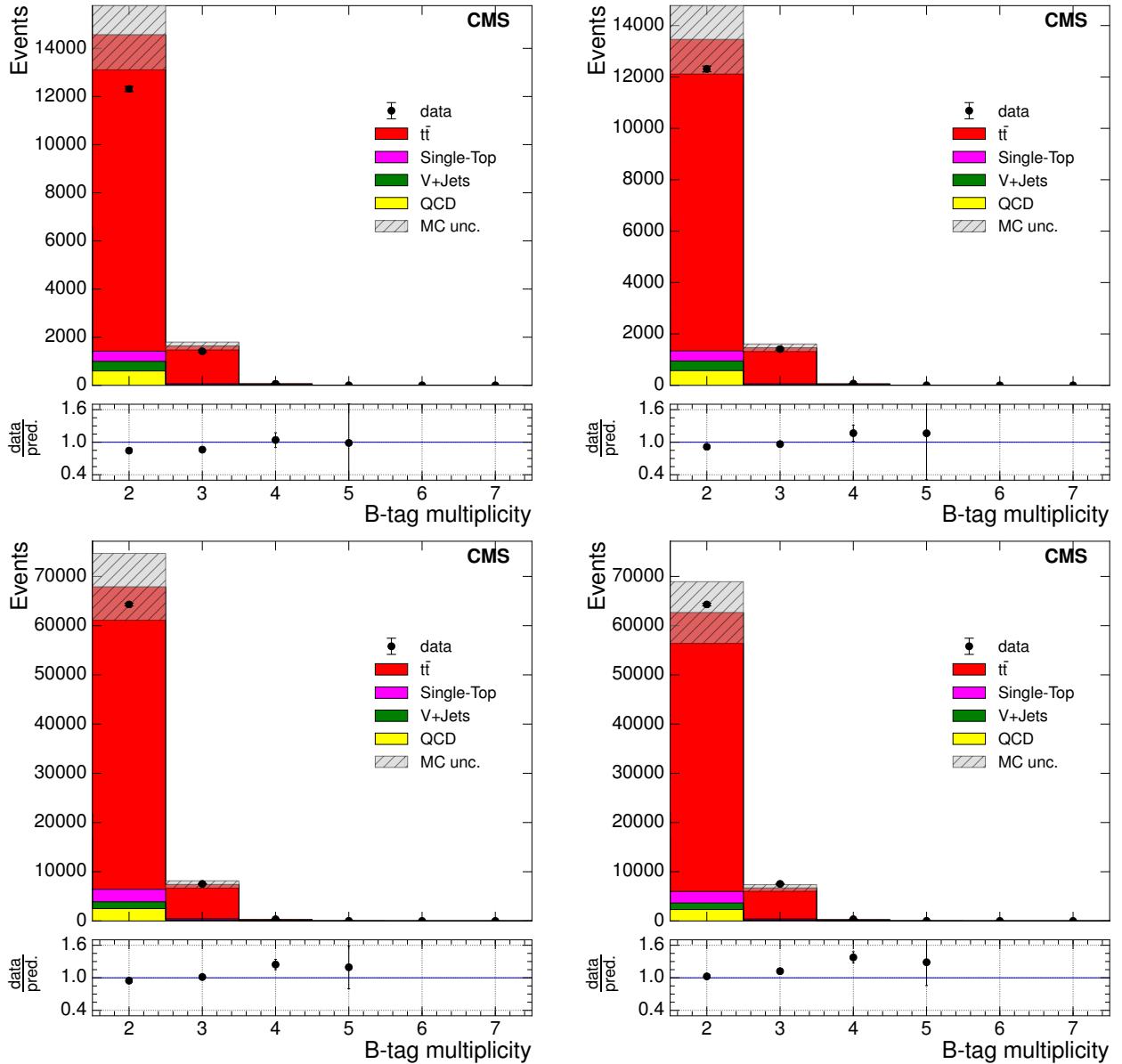


Figure 6.2: Distributions of the number of b-tags in an event in the electron+jets channel before applying b-tag scale factors (left) and after application (right) at $\sqrt{s} = 7 \text{ TeV}$ (upper) and $\sqrt{s} = 8 \text{ TeV}$ (lower).

6.4.3 Jet Energy Scale

Jet energies are corrected to take into account energy coming from other sources. Level 1 (L1 Pileup) corrections remove energy that comes from pileup collisions, Level 2 (L2 Relative) corrections remove the dependence of jet response on η , and Level 3 (L3 Absolute) corrections correct for the jet response dependence on p_T [26]. These corrections are applied to both data and Monte Carlo simulation events. An additional residual correction (L2L3Residual) is applied to data only for fine tuning of the agreement between data and simulation.

Furthermore, the jet energy resolution has been measured to be worse in data than in simulation. Therefore, jets in this analysis are “smeared” using scale factors provided by the CMS JETMET Physics Object Group. These factors were derived in [26] using 0.8fb^{-1} of dijet data at $\sqrt{s} = 7\text{TeV}$, and 19.7fb^{-1} of dijet data at $\sqrt{s} = 7\text{TeV}$ [38].

6.4.4 Missing Transverse Energy Corrections

The jet energy scale corrections mentioned in Section 6.4.3 in turn affect the distributions of E_T^{miss} and $E_T^{\text{miss}} \phi$. Corrections known as Type-I E_T^{miss} corrections are applied to propagate these changes to the E_T^{miss} distributions. In addition, Type-0 corrections

6.4.5 Trigger, Lepton ID and Isolation corrections

Corrections are also required for the trigger, identification and isolation efficiencies for muons and electrons. In the muon+jets channel, the corrections are provided by the CMS muon Physics Object Group for $\sqrt{s} = 8\text{TeV}$ TODO:REFERENCE TWIKI? and $\sqrt{s} = 7\text{TeV}$ [7].

For the electron+jets channel, the corrections are provided by the CMS EGamma Physics Object Group for $\sqrt{s} = 8\text{TeV}$, however the corrections for the $\sqrt{s} = 7\text{TeV}$ data are not provided and so were derived independently in this analysis using the same methods as used

by the EGamma POG.

In addition, the 7 TeV triggers used (ElectronHad) in this analysis were not present in the 7 TeV simulation, and so the trigger efficiency was calculated with respect to the full selection. This efficiency was then implemented in the Monte Carlo simulation, thereby imitating the trigger. It should be noted that it is assumed that the electron and hadron legs of the trigger are not correlated, since electrons are cleaned from the jet collection at HLT level.

The full reference selection is first applied with the exception of trigger, b-tagging and electron veto requirements, while in addition, a second loose electron is required. A Z mass constraint is placed on the two electrons in the event by requiring them to have an invariant mass of between 60 GeV and 120 GeV, thus ensuring that the pair of electrons originate from a Z boson decay. The tight ('tag') electron requirements are a $p_T > 30 \text{ GeV}$, $|\eta| < 0.8$, relative isolation < 0.1 , MVA identification > 0.9 , $d_{xy} < 0.02\text{cm}$ and reconstructed at HLT level. The loose ('probe') electron requirements are a $p_T > 30 \text{ GeV}$, $|\eta| < 2.5$ and $d_{xy} < 2\text{cm}$.

The events satisfying the above criteria are then fitted to the invariant mass of all pairs of tag and probe electrons. After applying the identification and isolation criteria to the probe electrons, a fit is also carried out to the invariant mass distribution of pairs of tag and probe electrons in which the probe electron passes the identification and isolation criteria. The fit is implemented in both Monte Carlo simulation and in data, and a Breit-Wigner distribution convoluted with a Crystal Ball function is used to model the invariant mass of the tag and probe electrons, with a falling exponential used to model the background distribution. The result of this fitting procedure can be seen in Figure 6.3.

The efficiency of the identification and isolation process is then calculated using the numbers extracted from the fits, in bins of p_T and η of the probe electron, as follows:

$$\epsilon(\text{identification and isolation}) = \frac{N_{\text{probe, passing}}^{\text{fit}}}{N_{\text{probe, all}}^{\text{fit}}} \quad (6.1)$$

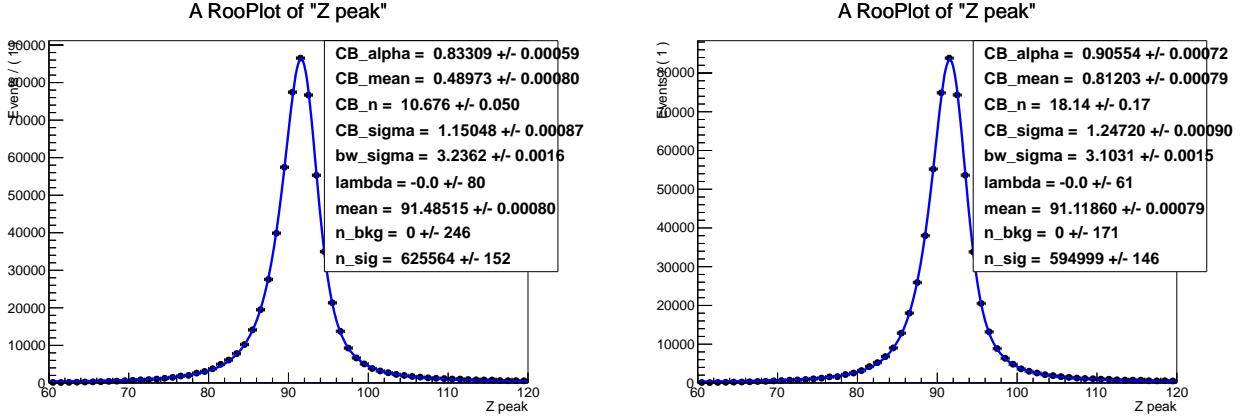


Figure 6.3: Fits of the invariant mass distribution of all tag-and-probe pairs (left) and for tag-and-probe pairs in which the probe satisfies the identification and isolation criteria (right).

The scale factor is then calculated as the ratio between the efficiencies in simulation and in data. The efficiencies in both can be seen to be similar in Figure 6.4, leading to scale factors close to one.

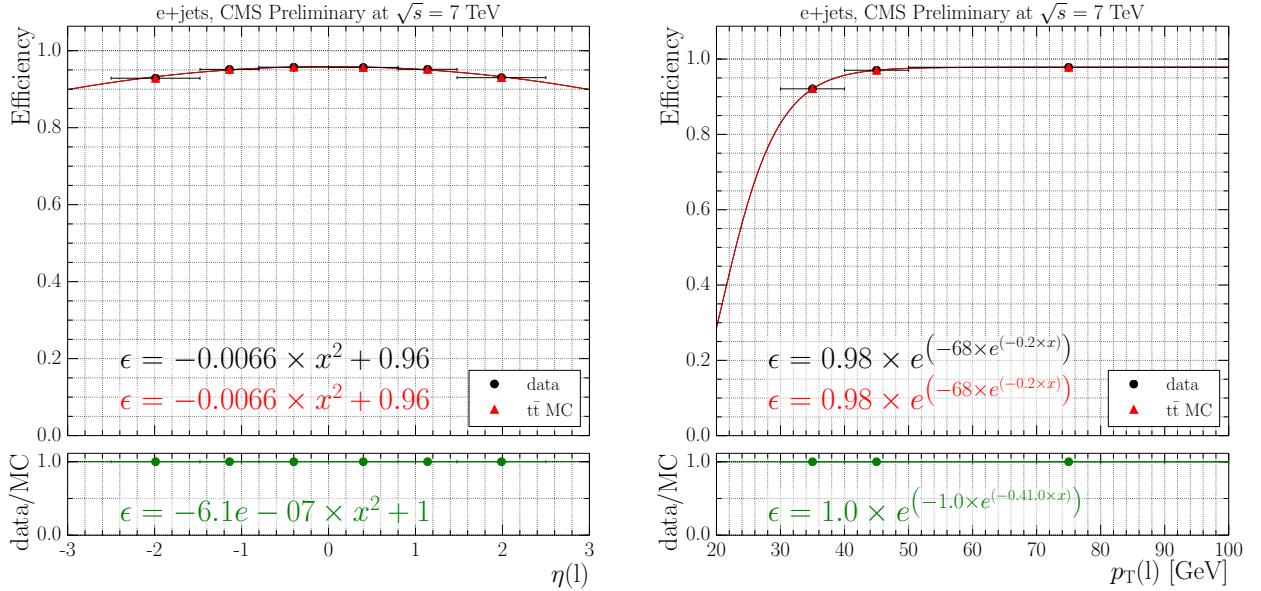


Figure 6.4: Identification and isolation efficiencies as a function of η and p_T in data and $t\bar{t}$ Monte Carlo simulation.

The efficiency of the electron part of the trigger is then similarly calculated, with respect to the identification and isolation requirements, meaning the events passing the identification and isolation requirements in the previous stage are then used as the baseline for the trigger efficiency. The subset of these in which the probe electron matches a HLT electron is then

used to calculate the efficiency as follows:

$$\epsilon(\text{trigger}) = \frac{N_{\text{probe, matching HLT}}^{\text{fit}}}{N_{\text{probe, identification and isolation}}^{\text{fit}}} \quad (6.2)$$

In order to calculate the efficiency of the hadron leg of the trigger, the full selection with only the electron part of the trigger and without b-tagging is taken as the baseline. The number of events passing the hadronic leg of the trigger is then used to calculate the hadronic leg efficiency as follows:

$$\epsilon(\text{hadron leg}) = \frac{N_{\text{hadron leg, passing}}}{N_{\text{selected}}} \quad (6.3)$$

The scale factors are produced in bins of p_T and η of the fourth most energetic jet, since this is the lowest energy jet that is selected. Parametrising as a function of higher energy jets would lead to a bias towards high efficiencies as the trigger will have a higher efficiency at higher jet energies.

Equivalent fit and efficiency plots for the trigger are included in Figures A.3 and A.4 in Appendix A.2. TODO:HAVE NOT INCLUDED MUON ID-ISO OR TRIGGER PLOTS ANYWHERE. HOPEFULLY OK WITH JUST ELECTRON PLOTS.

Table 6.2: 7 TeV Monte Carlo background datasets used for this analysis. All samples are generated inclusively if not marked otherwise (* generator cut on in-flight-decays of b- and c-hadrons, \ominus enriched in conversion electrons; l means all leptonic decays: $l = e, \mu, \tau$; • generator cut on $m_{Z/\gamma} > 50$ GeV).

Process	Generator	σ (pb)	No. events	\mathcal{L}_{int} (fb^{-1})
Single $t\bar{t}$ -channel ($W \rightarrow l\nu$)	POWHEG	64.6	3249530	50.3
Single $t\bar{t}$ t-channel ($W \rightarrow l\nu$)	POWHEG	64.6	1813615	28.1
Single $s\bar{s}$ -channel ($W \rightarrow l\nu$)	POWHEG	4.21	229786	54.6
Single $t\bar{t}$ s-channel ($W \rightarrow l\nu$)	POWHEG	4.21	138187	32.8
Single $t\bar{t}W$ -channel ($W \rightarrow l\nu$)	POWHEG	10.6	744859	70.3
Single $t\bar{t}W$ -channel ($W \rightarrow l\nu$)	POWHEG	10.6	801626	75.6
$W (\rightarrow l\nu) + 1$ Jet	MADGRAPH	4480.0	70430949	15.7
$W (\rightarrow l\nu) + 2$ Jets	MADGRAPH	1435.0	25069566	17.5
$W (\rightarrow l\nu) + 3$ Jets	MADGRAPH	304.2	6291772	20.7
$W (\rightarrow l\nu) + 4$ Jets	MADGRAPH	172.6	13240209	76.7
$Z/\gamma^* (\rightarrow l^+l^-) + \text{jets}^\bullet$	MADGRAPH	3048	32846945	10.8
QCD BCtoE p_T 20-30 *	PYTHIA	139299.0	1927944	1.4×10^{-2}
QCD BCtoE p_T 30-80 *	PYTHIA	143844.8	1946505	1.4×10^{-2}
QCD BCtoE p_T 80-170 *	PYTHIA	9431.1	1002427	0.1
QCD EM p_T 20-30 \ominus	PYTHIA	2502660.0	32976415	1.3×10^{-2}
QCD EM p_T 30-80 \ominus	PYTHIA	3625840.0	71775065	2.0×10^{-2}
QCD EM p_T 80-170 \ominus	PYTHIA	142813.8	7650319	5.4×10^{-2}
QCD EM p_T 170-250 \ominus	PYTHIA	142813.8	2968842	2.1×10^{-2}
QCD EM p_T 250-350 \ominus	PYTHIA	368.0	2952960	8.0
QCD EM p_T 350-inf \ominus	PYTHIA	55.0	2957326	53.8
$\gamma + \text{Jets HT } 40\text{-}100$	MADGRAPH	25690.0	9882860	0.4
$\gamma + \text{Jets HT } 100\text{-}200$	MADGRAPH	5213.0	1514347	0.3
$\gamma + \text{Jets HT } > 200$	MADGRAPH	798.3	9275592	11.6
QCD μ enriched p_T 15-20	PYTHIA	1668096.0	1901684	1.1×10^{-3}
QCD μ enriched p_T 20-30	PYTHIA	1342184.0	10173300	7.6×10^{-3}
QCD μ enriched p_T 30-50	PYTHIA	596506.8	11610111	1.9×10^{-2}
QCD μ enriched p_T 50-80	PYTHIA	140039.55	9870031	7.0×10^{-2}
QCD μ enriched p_T 80-120	PYTHIA	28546.2	9769136	0.3
QCD μ enriched p_T 120-170	PYTHIA	4692.91	7818474	1.7
QCD μ enriched p_T 170-300	PYTHIA	1445.96	8116409	5.6
QCD μ enriched p_T 300-470	PYTHIA	95.4464	7870002	82.5
QCD μ enriched p_T 470-600	PYTHIA	7.41697	3812529	514.0
QCD μ enriched p_T 600-800	PYTHIA	1.69145	4149911	2453.5
QCD μ enriched p_T 800-1000	PYTHIA	0.231869	4036867	17410.1
QCD μ enriched p_T 1000-inf	PYTHIA	0.053385	4133897	77435.6

Table 6.3: 7 TeV Monte Carlo systematic datasets used for this analysis. All samples are produced with the MADGRAPH generator. W + jets and Z + jets samples were not available and so have been scaled from available 8 TeV samples.

Process	Variation	Generator	σ (pb)	No. events	\mathcal{L}_{int} (fb^{-1})
$t\bar{t} 0.5 \times Q^2$ (normalisation & factorisation scale down)		MADGRAPH 177.31	9426377	53.2	
$t\bar{t} 2 \times Q^2$ (normalisation & factorisation scale up)		MADGRAPH 177.31	10095984	56.9	
$t\bar{t} 0.5 \times$ matching threshold (down)		MADGRAPH 177.31	4056487	22.9	
$t\bar{t} 2 \times$ matching threshold (up)		MADGRAPH 177.31	16727257	94.3	
$t\bar{t} 0.5 \times$ mass uncertainty (down)		MADGRAPH 177.31	4560762	25.7	
$t\bar{t} 2 \times$ mass uncertainty (up)		MADGRAPH 177.31	9151264	51.6	
W + jets $0.5 \times Q^2$ (scale down)		MADGRAPH 31314	20121177	0.6	
W + jets $2 \times Q^2$ (scale up)		MADGRAPH 31314	20711338	0.7	
W + jets $0.5 \times$ matching threshold (matching down)		MADGRAPH 31314	21341479	0.7	
W + jets $2 \times$ matching threshold (matching up)		MADGRAPH 31314	20594331	0.7	
Z + jets $0.5 \times Q^2$ (scale down)		MADGRAPH 3048.0	1934895	0.6	
Z + jets $2 \times Q^2$ (scale up)		MADGRAPH 3048.0	2159410	0.7	
Z + jets $0.5 \times$ matching threshold (matching down)		MADGRAPH 3048.0	2112383	0.7	
Z + jets $2 \times$ matching threshold (matching up)		MADGRAPH 3048.0	1985526	0.7	

Table 6.4: 8 TeV Monte Carlo signal datasets used for this analysis.

Process	Generator	σ (pb)	No. events	\mathcal{L}_{int} (fb^{-1})
$t\bar{t}$	MADGRAPH	252.89	6706068	26.5
$t\bar{t}$	MC@NLO	252.89	32852517	129.9
$t\bar{t}$	POWHEG-PYTHIA	252.89	21675913	85.7
$t\bar{t}$	POWHEG-HERWIG	252.89	27684194	109.5

Table 6.5: 8 TeV Monte Carlo background datasets used for this analysis. All samples are generated inclusively if not marked otherwise (* generator cut on in-flight-decays of b- and c-hadrons, \ominus enriched in conversion electrons; l means all leptonic decays: $l = e, \mu, \tau$; • generator cut on $m_{Z/\gamma} > 50$ GeV).

Process	Generator	σ (pb)	No. events	\mathcal{L}_{int} (fb^{-1})
Single t -channel ($W \rightarrow l\nu$)	POWHEG	55.531	3758221	67.7
Single \bar{t} t-channel ($W \rightarrow l\nu$)	POWHEG	30.0042	1906041	63.5
Single s -channel ($W \rightarrow l\nu$)	POWHEG	3.89394	259960	66.8
Single \bar{s} s-channel ($W \rightarrow l\nu$)	POWHEG	1.75776	139974	79.6
Single $t\bar{W}$ -channel ($W \rightarrow l\nu$)	POWHEG	11.1773	497657	44.5
Single $\bar{t}\bar{W}$ -channel ($W \rightarrow l\nu$)	POWHEG	11.1773	473721	42.4
$W (\rightarrow l\nu) + 1$ Jet	MADGRAPH	5400.0	23129996	15.7
$W (\rightarrow l\nu) + 2$ Jets	MADGRAPH	1750.0	34027847	17.5
$W (\rightarrow l\nu) + 3$ Jets	MADGRAPH	519.0	15539463	20.7
$W (\rightarrow l\nu) + 4$ Jets	MADGRAPH	214.0	13373865	76.7
Z/γ^* ($\rightarrow l^+l^-$) + 1 jet•	MADGRAPH	561.0	24032529	42.8
Z/γ^* ($\rightarrow l^+l^-$) + 2 jets•	MADGRAPH	181.0	21840628	0.1
Z/γ^* ($\rightarrow l^+l^-$) + 3 jets•	MADGRAPH	51.1	10819603	0.2
Z/γ^* ($\rightarrow l^+l^-$) + 4 jets•	MADGRAPH	23.04	6381467	0.3
QCD BCtoE p_T 20-30 *	PYTHIA	167388.0	1731522	1.0×10^{-2}
QCD BCtoE p_T 30-80 *	PYTHIA	167040.0	2037907	1.2×10^{-2}
QCD BCtoE p_T 80-170 *	PYTHIA	12981.9	1945523	0.1
QCD BCtoE p_T 170-250 *	PYTHIA	632.0	1948112	3.1
QCD BCtoE p_T 250-350 *	PYTHIA	103.3	2026516	19.6
QCD BCtoE p_T 350-inf *	PYTHIA	23.9	1948525	81.5
QCD EM p_T 20-30 \ominus	PYTHIA	2914860.0	34830398	1.2×10^{-2}
QCD EM p_T 30-80 \ominus	PYTHIA	4615893.0	32443607	7.0×10^{-3}
QCD EM p_T 80-170 \ominus	PYTHIA	183294.9	34024542	0.2
QCD EM p_T 170-250 \ominus	PYTHIA	4586.5	31696985	6.9
QCD EM p_T 250-350 \ominus	PYTHIA	556.7	33659467	60.5
QCD EM p_T 350-inf \ominus	PYTHIA	89.1	33756727	378.8
$\gamma + \text{Jets HT}$ 200-400	MADGRAPH	960.5	47316433	49.3
$\gamma + \text{Jets HT}$ 400-inf	MADGRAPH	107.5	9491846	88.3
QCD μ enriched p_T 15-20	PYTHIA	2738580.0	1722678	0.6×10^{-3}
QCD μ enriched p_T 20-30	PYTHIA	1865500.0	8486893	4.5×10^{-3}
QCD μ enriched p_T 30-50	PYTHIA	806298.0	9560248	1.2×10^{-2}
QCD μ enriched p_T 50-80	PYTHIA	176187.6	10365209	5.9×10^{-2}
QCD μ enriched p_T 80-120	PYTHIA	40448.0	9238622	0.2
QCD μ enriched p_T 120-170	PYTHIA	7463.94	8501920	1.1
QCD μ enriched p_T 170-300	PYTHIA	2299.752	7669932	3.3
QCD μ enriched p_T 300-470	PYTHIA	151.8048	7832248	51.6
QCD μ enriched p_T 470-600	PYTHIA	11.79648	3783066	320.7
QCD μ enriched p_T 600-800	PYTHIA	2.690196	4118988	1531.1
QCD μ enriched p_T 800-1000	PYTHIA	0.3687810	4099633	11116.7
QCD μ enriched p_T 1000-inf	PYTHIA	0.0849078	9238622	108807.7

Table 6.6: 8 TeV Monte Carlo systematic datasets used for this analysis. All samples are produced with the MADGRAPH generator.

Process	Variation	Generator	σ (pb)	No. events	\mathcal{L}_{int} (fb^{-1})
t̄t 0.5×Q ² (normalisation & factorisation scale down)	MADGRAPH 252.89		5387169		21.3
t̄t 2×Q ² (normalisation & factorisation scale up)	MADGRAPH 252.89		5009481		19.8
t̄t 0.5×matching threshold (down)	MADGRAPH 252.89		5476715		21.7
t̄t 2×matching threshold (up)	MADGRAPH 252.89		5415003		21.4
t̄t 0.5×mass uncertainty (down)	MADGRAPH 252.89		39423535		155.9
t̄t 2×mass uncertainty (up)	MADGRAPH 252.89		26488957		104.7
W + jets 0.5×Q ² (scale down)	MADGRAPH 36257.2		20121177		0.6
W + jets 2×Q ² (scale up)	MADGRAPH 36257.2		20711338		0.6
W + jets 0.5×matching threshold (down)	MADGRAPH 36257.2		21341479		0.6
W + jets 2×matching threshold (up)	MADGRAPH 36257.2		20594331		0.6
Z + jets 0.5×Q ² (scale down)	MADGRAPH 3503.71		1934895		0.6
Z + jets 2×Q ² (scale up)	MADGRAPH 3503.71		2159410		0.6
Z + jets 0.5×matching threshold (down)	MADGRAPH 3503.71		2112383		0.6
Z + jets 2×matching threshold (up)	MADGRAPH 3503.71		1985526		0.6

Year	\sqrt{s} (TeV)	Channel	HLT Trigger
2011	7	electron	HLT_Ele25_CaloIdVT_TrkIdT_CentralTriJet30
2011	7	electron	HLT_Ele25_CaloIdVT_TrkIdT_TriCentralJet30
2011	7	electron	HLT_Ele25_CaloIdVT_CaloIsoT_TrkIdT_TrkIsoT_TriCentralJet30
2011	7	electron	HLT_Ele25_CaloIdVT_CaloIsoT_TrkIdT_TrkIsoT_TriCentralPFJet30
2012	8	electron	HLT_Ele27_WP80
2011	7	muon	HLT_IsoMu24
2011	7	muon	HLT_IsoMu24_eta2p1
2012	8	muon	HLT_IsoMu24_eta2p1_v

Table 6.7: HLT Triggers used in 2011 and 2012 data in the electron and muon channels.
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7 | 7 TeV and 8 TeV Differential Cross Section Measurement: Fitting, Unfolding and Measurement

7.1 Data-MC Comparison

Following the full event selection, the simulated events are scaled to match the luminosity of the data using the following scale factor:

$$S = \frac{\mathcal{L} \times \sigma}{N_{\text{processed}}} \quad (7.1)$$

where $N_{\text{processed}}$ is the total number of events processed for each Monte Carlo sample and σ is the production cross section of each process. The numbers of events passing each selection step in data and in Monte Carlo simulation are shown for both the electron channel and muon channel channels in Table 7.1 at $\sqrt{s} = 7 \text{ TeV}$, and in Table 7.2 at $\sqrt{s} = 8 \text{ TeV}$.

The distributions of the primary variables E_T^{miss} , H_T , S_T , p_T^W and M_T^W after the full selection requirements are applied are shown in Figures 7.1 and 7.2 for the electron and muon channels respectively at $\sqrt{s} = 7 \text{ TeV}$; and in Figures 7.3 and 7.4 respectively at $\sqrt{s} = 8 \text{ TeV}$. The normalisations and shapes are all obtained from simulation except in the case of QCD which is taken from data: the conversion region is used in the electron channel and the non-isolated region is used in the muon channel. In general, the agreement between data and simulation is good, with the distributions in simulation peaking at slightly higher energies because event reweighting to account for the p_T mismodelling of the top quark in simulation has not yet

Table 7.1: Expected and observed event yields at several stages of the electron channelselection (upper) and the muon channelselection(lower).

Selection step	t̄ + jets	W + jets	Z + jets	Single-Top	QCD	Sum MC	Data
Preselection	248837 ± 131	296487 ± 255	87027 ± 237	26397 ± 43	24578753 ± 81165	25237503 ± 81166	4928736
Event cleaning/HLT	248712 ± 131	296343 ± 255	86964 ± 237	26385 ± 43	24574668 ± 81161	25233075 ± 81162	1103841
One isolated electron	70973 ± 69	91618 ± 132	26311 ± 122	5355 ± 17	263313 ± 6601	457572 ± 6604	299020
Muon veto	67163 ± 67	91581 ± 132	26196 ± 122	5269 ± 17	263195 ± 6601	453405 ± 6604	295961
Dilepton veto	66336 ± 67	91559 ± 132	20560 ± 107	5251 ± 17	263183 ± 6601	446892 ± 6603	289456
Conversion veto	64497 ± 66	87866 ± 130	19671 ± 105	5106 ± 16	174315 ± 5761	351458 ± 5763	243472
≥ 1 jets	64497 ± 66	87866 ± 130	19671 ± 105	5106 ± 16	174315 ± 5761	351457 ± 5763	243471
≥ 2 jets	64489 ± 66	87789 ± 130	19633 ± 105	5104 ± 16	173680 ± 5748	350697 ± 5750	243446
≥ 3 jets	63514 ± 65	82167 ± 123	18188 ± 101	4912 ± 16	126305 ± 4416	295088 ± 4420	236124
≥ 4 jets	35285 ± 48	17935 ± 42	3618 ± 45	1461 ± 8	21354 ± 1507	79656 ± 1509	71414
≥ 1 b-tagged jets	29777 ± 44	2764 ± 17	562 ± 17	1160 ± 7	3601 ± 513	37864 ± 516	34671
≥ 2 b-tagged jets	13777 ± 30	326 ± 4	76 ± 6	434 ± 4	590 ± 220	15205 ± 222	13792
Selection step	t̄ + jets	W + jets	Z + jets	Single-Top	QCD	Sum MC	Data
Preselection	248280 ± 131	296599 ± 255	87128 ± 237	26362 ± 43	18658866 ± 41697	19317237 ± 41699	4201249
Event cleaning/HLT	248155 ± 131	296455 ± 255	87065 ± 237	26350 ± 43	18655836 ± 41690	19313864 ± 41692	444679
One isolated muon	74418 ± 71	93902 ± 132	22774 ± 115	5724 ± 19	45516 ± 2160	242336 ± 2168	206738
Second muon veto	73036 ± 70	93893 ± 132	14109 ± 89	5690 ± 19	44741 ± 2153	231470 ± 2161	194980
Electron veto	69681 ± 69	93852 ± 132	14020 ± 89	5615 ± 19	44666 ± 2153	227835 ± 2160	192335
≥ 1 jets	69680 ± 69	93851 ± 132	14020 ± 89	5615 ± 19	44648 ± 2153	227816 ± 2160	192335
≥ 2 jets	69675 ± 69	93791 ± 132	14007 ± 89	5613 ± 19	43404 ± 2139	226492 ± 2146	192310
≥ 3 jets	69054 ± 68	89508 ± 126	13186 ± 86	5455 ± 18	14627 ± 1059	191831 ± 1072	186061
≥ 4 jets	38222 ± 50	19234 ± 42	2707 ± 38	1573 ± 8	2028 ± 242	63766 ± 254	54684
≥ 1 b-tagged jets	32268 ± 46	2965 ± 16	463 ± 15	1250 ± 7	873 ± 148	37821 ± 157	30852
≥ 2 b-tagged jets	15016 ± 30	355 ± 5	60 ± 5	468 ± 4	180 ± 48	16081 ± 58	13128

Table 7.2: Expected and observed event yields at several stages of the electron channelselection (upper) and the muon channelselection (lower).

Selection step	t̄ + jets	W + jets	Z + jets	Single-Top	QCD	Sum MC	Data
Preselection	1389239 ± 1071	1748404 ± 1149	385132 ± 236	170598 ± 265	131270649 ± 477929	134964023 ± 477932	13219192
Event cleaning/HLT	376950 ± 547	493785 ± 573	143253 ± 138	35559 ± 122	3844108 ± 83191	4893656 ± 83195	5952438
One isolated electron	335908 ± 515	427471 ± 520	95501 ± 111	31520 ± 115	554050 ± 27723	1444453 ± 27733	1754243
Muon veto	316823 ± 500	427354 ± 520	95069 ± 111	30820 ± 113	553991 ± 27723	1424058 ± 27733	1733585
Dilepton veto	312321 ± 497	427247 ± 520	70836 ± 96	30648 ± 113	553952 ± 27723	1395005 ± 27733	1692425
Conversion veto	304300 ± 490	411661 ± 510	68005 ± 94	29849 ± 111	309968 ± 20284	1123785 ± 20297	1447105
≥ 1 jets	304300 ± 490	411658 ± 510	68005 ± 94	29849 ± 111	309968 ± 20284	1123781 ± 20297	1447105
≥ 2 jets	304264 ± 490	411028 ± 510	67901 ± 94	29834 ± 111	307974 ± 20200	1121003 ± 20213	1446970
≥ 3 jets	299232 ± 486	372483 ± 472	61904 ± 87	28518 ± 109	226054 ± 16034	988193 ± 16049	1251530
≥ 4 jets	172557 ± 369	76326 ± 175	13484 ± 35	9524 ± 64	43901 ± 4145	315795 ± 4165	361692
≥ 1 b-tagged jets	142836 ± 332	10417 ± 65	2019 ± 13	7296 ± 55	8705 ± 1812	171275 ± 1845	181705
≥ 2 b-tagged jets	63233 ± 215	1114 ± 21	291 ± 4	2566 ± 32	2427 ± 1660	69632 ± 1675	72176
Selection step	t̄ + jets	W + jets	Z + jets	Single-Top	QCD	Sum MC	Data
Preselection	1400798 ± 1080	1765900 ± 1159	389320 ± 239	171677 ± 266	104820777 ± 238065	108548474 ± 238070	20815265
Event cleaning/HLT	469828 ± 622	669486 ± 711	153379 ± 147	46228 ± 141	1673119 ± 33684	3012042 ± 33698	3166723
One isolated muon	385092 ± 562	496720 ± 582	92752 ± 111	37012 ± 126	89801 ± 6391	1101379 ± 6444	1373749
Second muon veto	377038 ± 556	496660 ± 582	54606 ± 85	36705 ± 126	89060 ± 6380	1054070 ± 6433	1292713
Electron veto	358624 ± 542	496506 ± 582	54260 ± 85	36049 ± 124	89037 ± 6380	1034478 ± 6431	1274884
≥ 1 jets	358624 ± 542	496498 ± 582	54259 ± 85	36049 ± 124	89037 ± 6380	1034470 ± 6431	1274884
≥ 2 jets	358592 ± 542	495658 ± 581	54186 ± 85	36029 ± 124	88048 ± 6354	1032515 ± 6405	1274817
≥ 3 jets	354271 ± 539	448652 ± 534	49426 ± 78	34498 ± 122	34560 ± 2810	921409 ± 2914	1138923
≥ 4 jets	202771 ± 407	90874 ± 199	10999 ± 32	11233 ± 71	8003 ± 1304	323883 ± 1383	351087
≥ 1 b-tagged jets	168125 ± 367	12499 ± 73	1715 ± 12	8660 ± 61	4252 ± 1036	195253 ± 1104	197025
≥ 2 b-tagged jets	74995 ± 238	1367 ± 23	229 ± 4	3023 ± 35	527 ± 410	80143 ± 476	81047

been carried out at this stage.

A comparison between data and simulation in the electron+jets QCD selections is shown in Figure 7.5. There is reasonably good agreement between the data and simulation in the conversion selection but low statistics in the $\sqrt{s} = 8$ TeV simulation lead to some events with large weights, leading to peaks in the distribution. It can also be seen that there are more conversion events in the regions of the endcaps, where the larger amount of detector material for electrons to traverse leads to a higher number of conversions. The non-isolated QCD selection shows more discrepancies between the simulation and data, but it should be noted that at $\sqrt{s} = 7$ TeV the simulation does not contain the triggers used in this analysis, unlike at $\sqrt{s} = 8$ TeV, therefore the simulation distribution at $\sqrt{s} = 7$ TeV is not affected by the trigger isolation requirements.

The true QCD background distribution is a mixture of the conversion and non-isolated distributions. A comparison of the two QCD background selections at $\sqrt{s} = 7$ TeV and $\sqrt{s} = 8$ TeV is also shown in the lower plots in Figure 7.5. Background events in which electrons come from jets misreconstructed as electrons or from b-quark or c-quark decays will pass the non-isolated selection, whereas conversion events in which the second electron is not rejected by the electron veto will pass the conversion selection. Another point to note is that, while the general shape of the conversion selection is expected to be the same in both signal and QCD background selections, the same may not be true of the non-isolated selection due to the isolation requirement in the signal selection. In addition, the number of events passing the QCD background selections will be very small compared to the number of events passing the signal selection, so the effect of even large uncertainties in the QCD background on the total number of events will be minimal. In the muon+jets channel, similarly, it is clear that the data and simulation are not in agreement and that there is a low amount of statistics available in simulation.

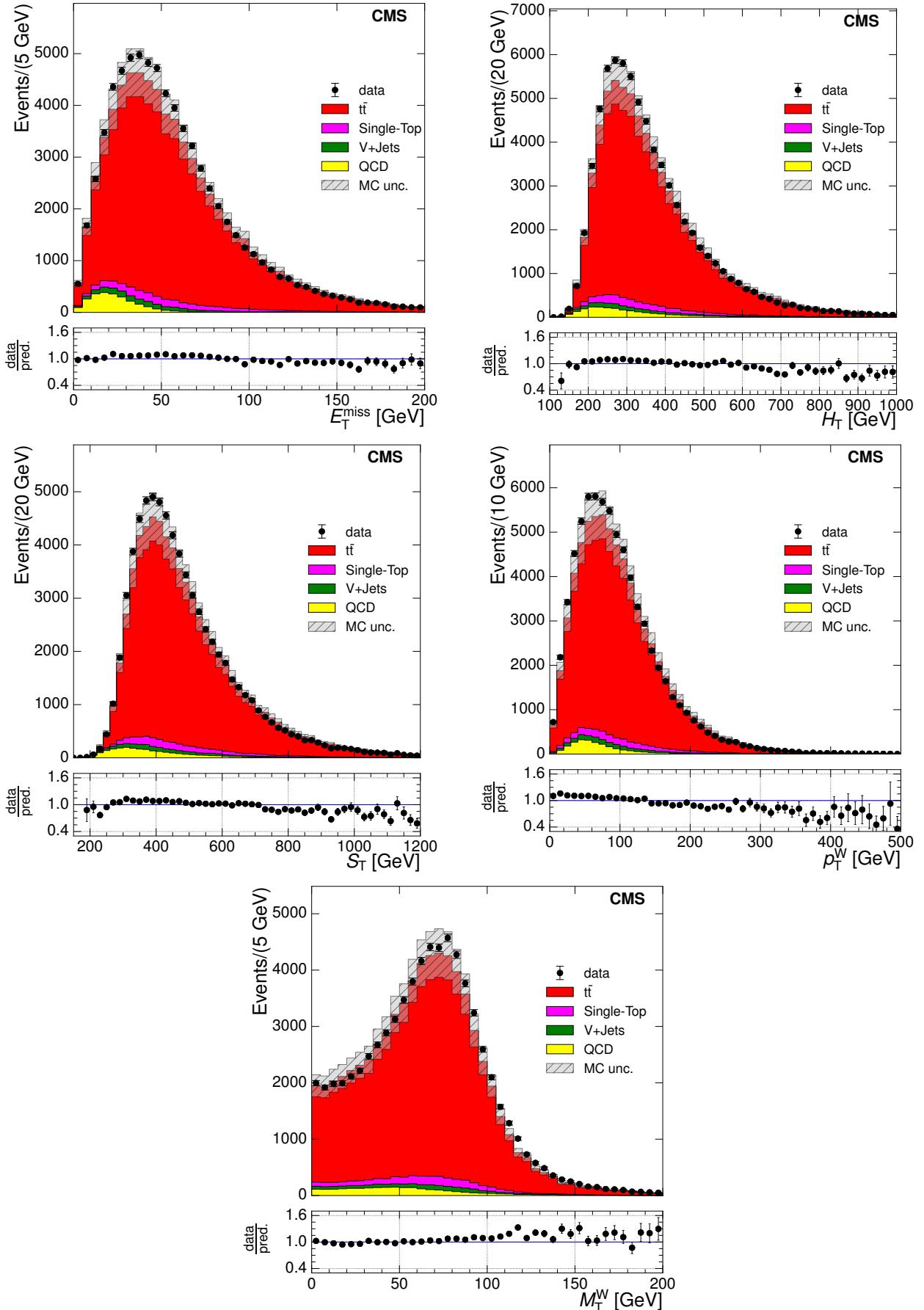


Figure 7.1: Comparison of Monte Carlo simulation to data in the electron+jets channel after final selection at $\sqrt{s} = 7 \text{ TeV}$.

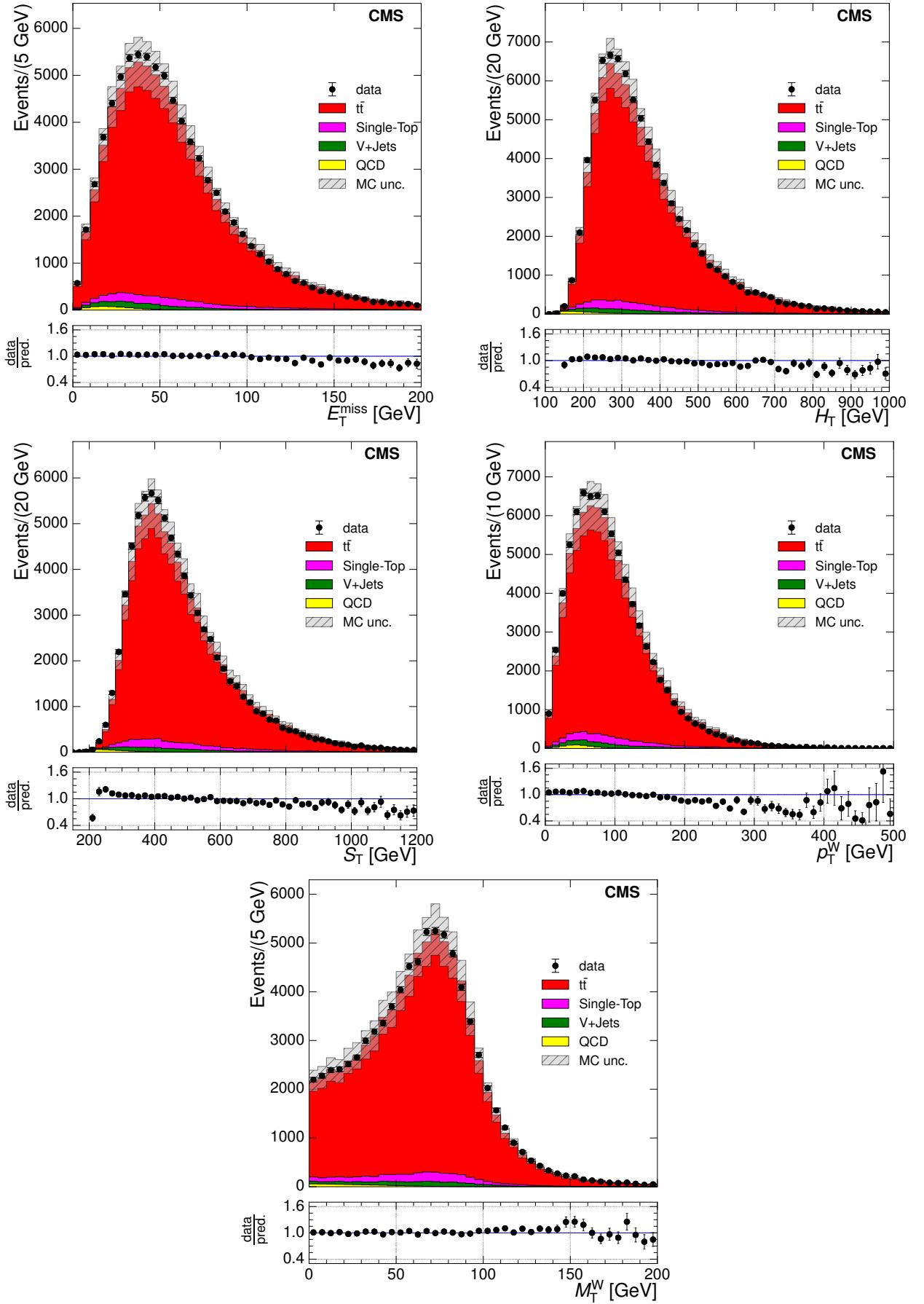


Figure 7.2: Comparison of Monte Carlo simulation to data in the muon+jets channel after final selection at $\sqrt{s} = 7 \text{ TeV}$.

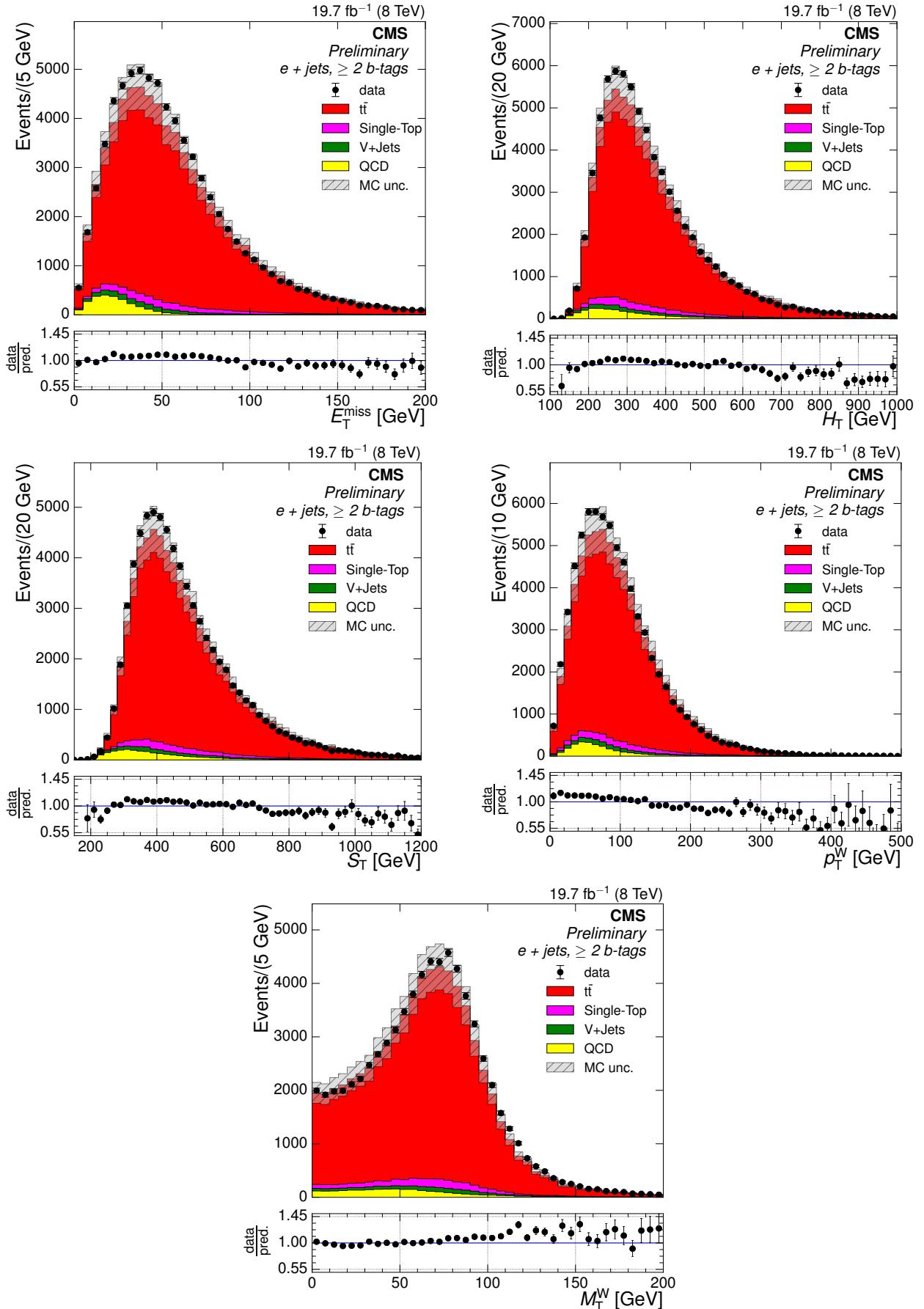


Figure 7.3: Comparison of Monte Carlo simulation to data in the electron+jets channel after final selection at $\sqrt{s} = 8 \text{ TeV}$.

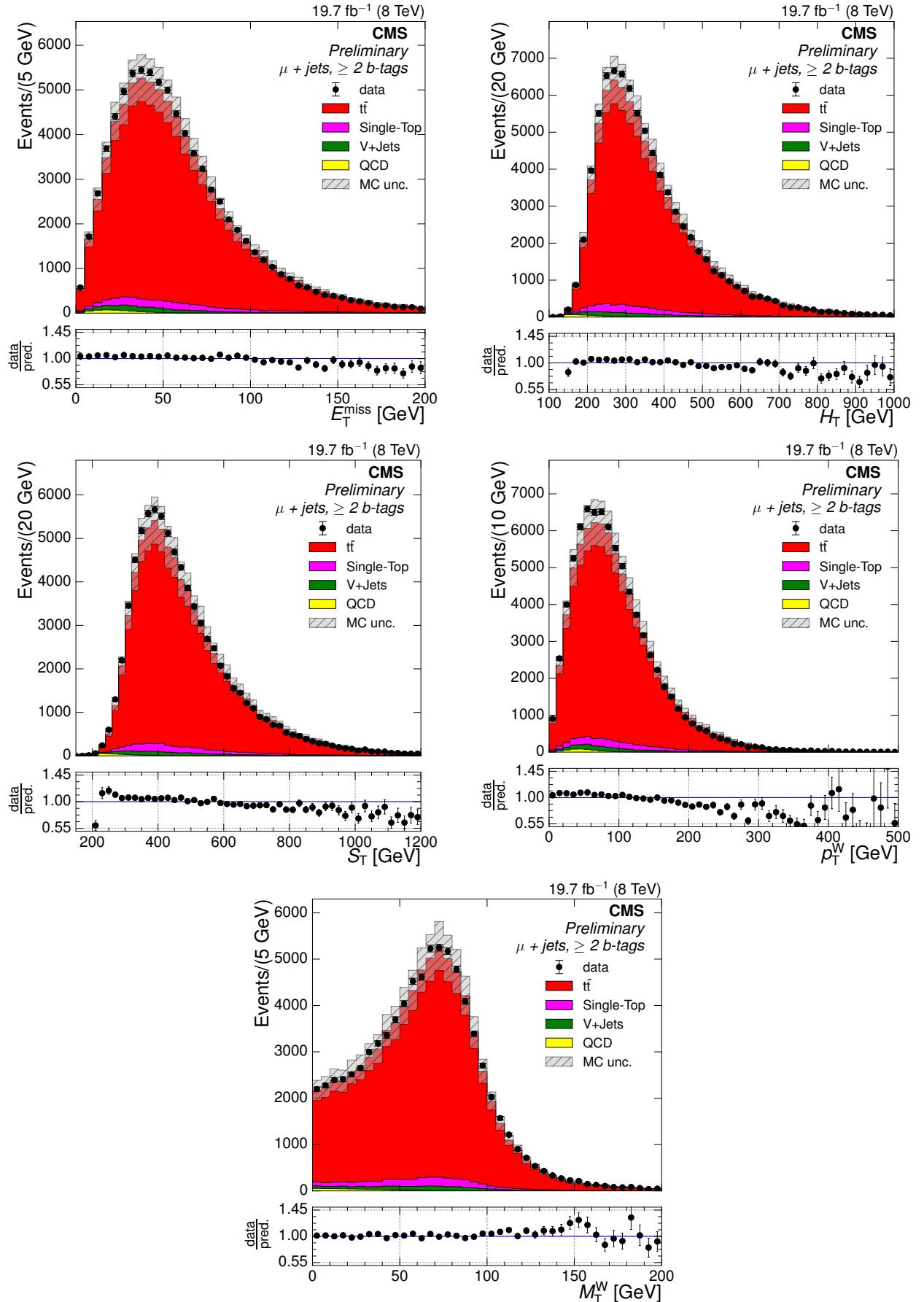


Figure 7.4: Comparison of Monte Carlo simulation to data in the muon+jets channel after final selection at $\sqrt{s} = 8 \text{ TeV}$.

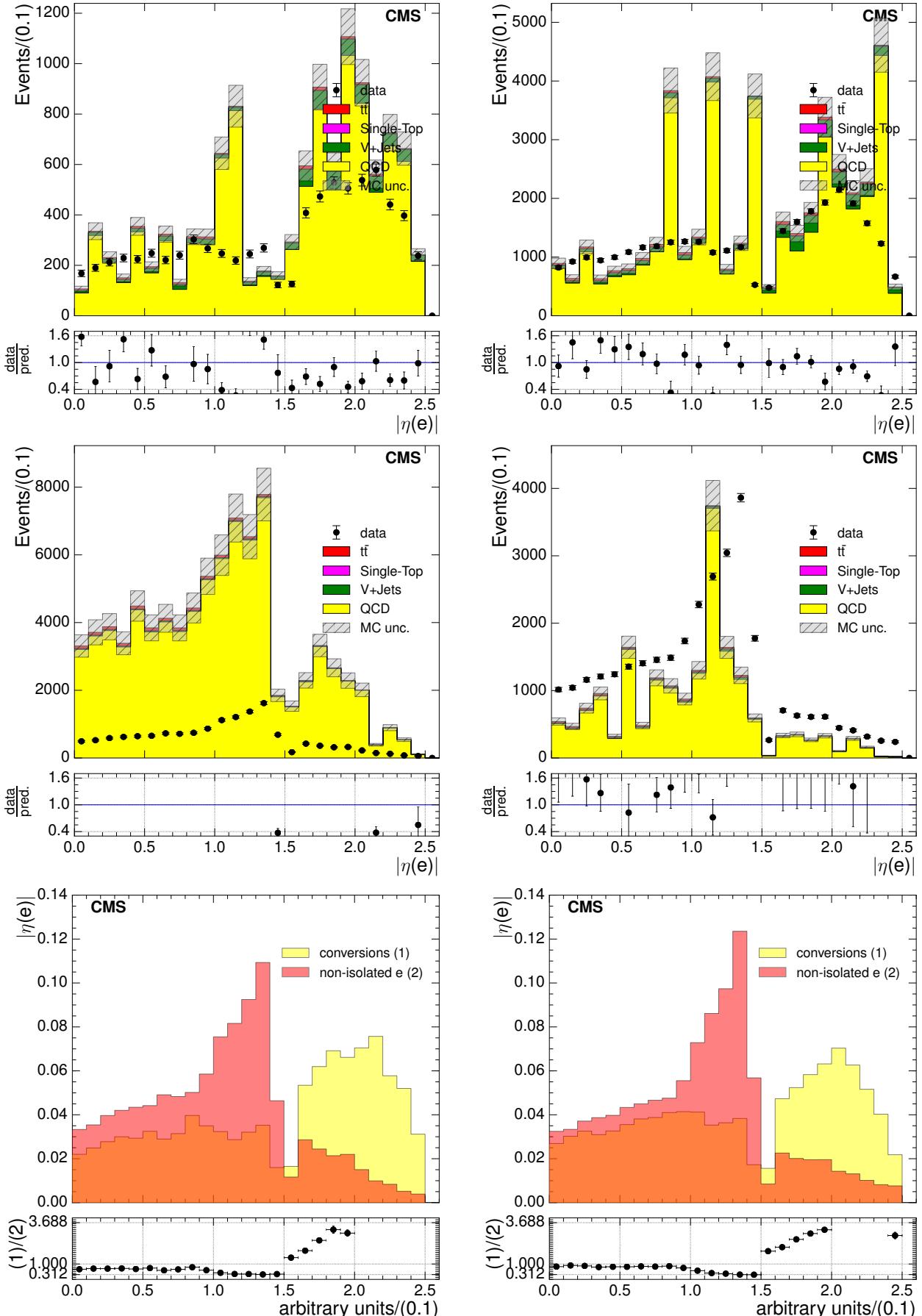


Figure 7.5: Comparison of QCD selections in the electron+jets channel at $\sqrt{s} = 7$ TeV on the left and at $\sqrt{s} = 8$ TeV on the right. Conversion region is shown at the top, non-isolated selection in the middle and a comparison of the two selections in data (TODO:CHECK THIS) is shown in the lower plots.

7.2 Binning Choice

The bin boundaries in the primary variable distributions are important because events generated in one bin can migrate to another bin after reconstruction due to the finite resolution of the detector. This altering of the number of events, either as a result of events moving into, or out of, a bin is important to understand so that the final reconstructed distribution can be deconvoluted (unfolded) to the true distribution.

In light of this, the binning choice is made based on two variables defined as purity (p^k) and stability (s^k):

$$p^k = \frac{N_{\text{rec\&gen}}^k}{N_{\text{rec}}^k} s^k = \frac{N_{\text{rec\&gen}}^k}{N_{\text{gen}}^k}, \quad (7.2)$$

$N_{\text{rec\&gen}}^k$ is the number of events generated and reconstructed in bin k , N_{rec}^k is the number of events reconstructed in bin k and N_{gen}^k is the number of events generated in bin k . The stability of a bin is sensitive to the migration of events out of a bin, while the purity is sensitive to the migration of events into a bin (see Figure 7.6).

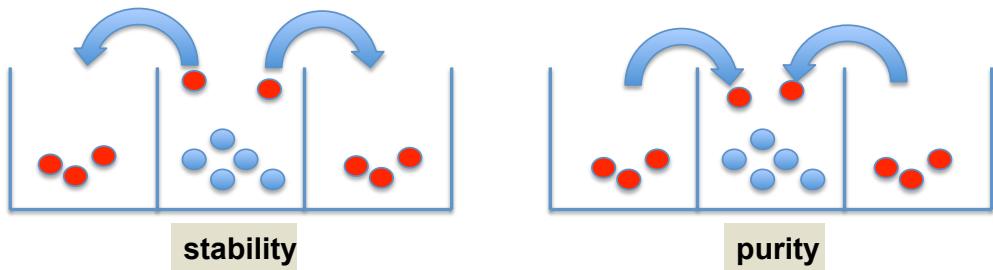


Figure 7.6: Stability quantifies the migration of events out of a bin while purity quantifies the migration of events into a bin. Both quantities compare the variable range (bin) in which an event is generated to the range in which they are reconstructed.

In this analysis, the bins for each primary variable distribution were chosen such that all bins have purity and stability values of 0.5 or greater, meaning that at least half of the events generated in a bin remain in that bin after reconstruction, and that at least half of

the events reconstructed in a bin were generated in that bin. In order to avoid very small bins, a requirement that all bins have at least 100 events is also enforced.

The determination of the bin boundaries following these criteria is carried out simultaneously in (and therefore the binning is identical in) both centre of mass energies and both the electron+jets and muon+jets channel.

Plots of generated versus reconstructed events for all primary variables are shown in the electron+jets channel in Figure 7.7 for $\sqrt{s} = 7$ TeV and in Figure 7.8 for $\sqrt{s} = 8$ TeV. The corresponding plots in the muon+jets channel are shown in Figures A.5 and A.6 in Appendix A.3. The purity and stability values of the chosen bins are shown in Appendix A.4.

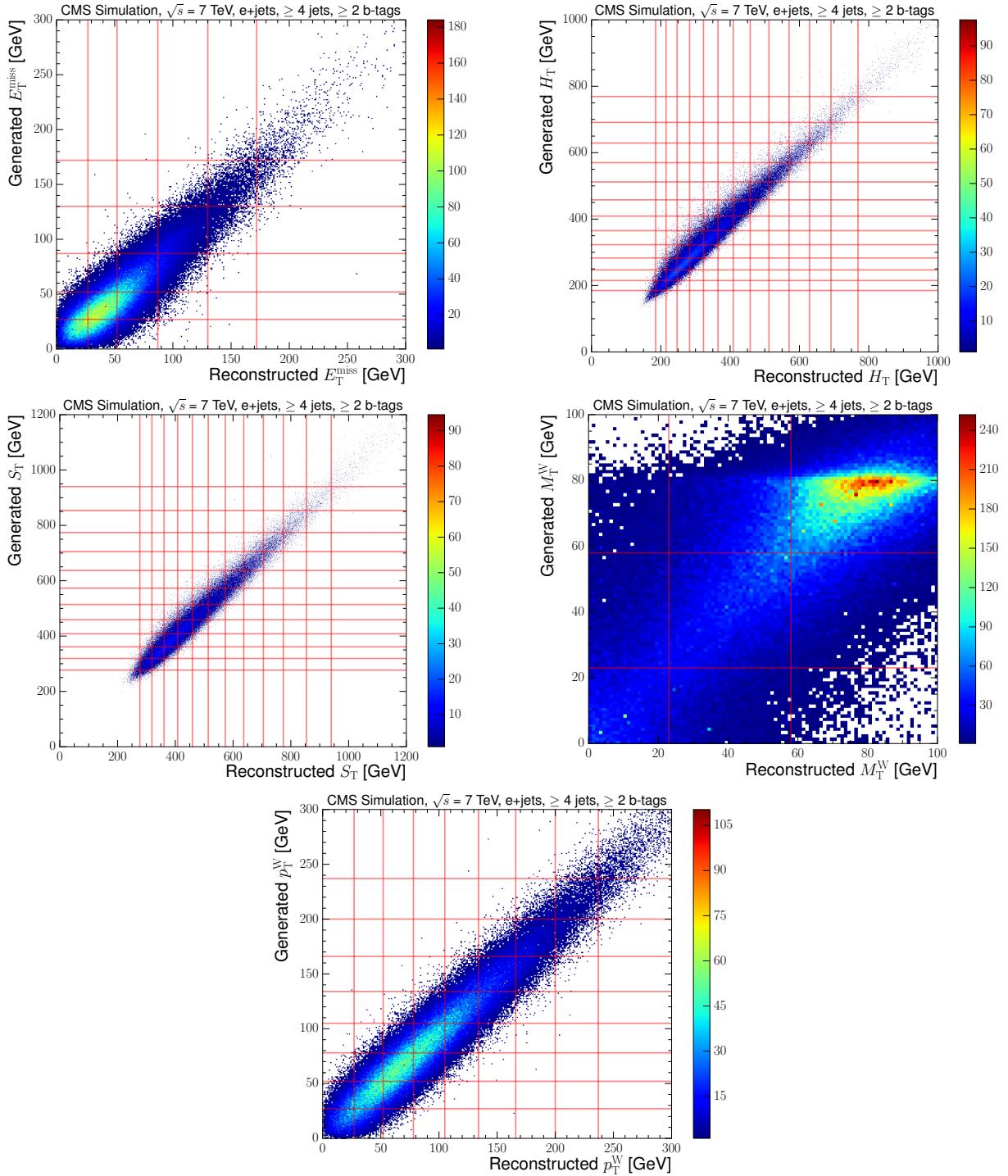


Figure 7.7: Generated versus reconstructed distributions of the primary variables E_T^{miss} (upper left), H_T (upper right), S_T (middle left), M_T^W (middle right) and p_T^W (lower) with horizontal and vertical lines representing the boundaries of the selected bins at $\sqrt{s} = 7 \text{ TeV}$ in the electron+ jets channel. These distributions are obtained using $t\bar{t}$ Monte Carlo simulation.

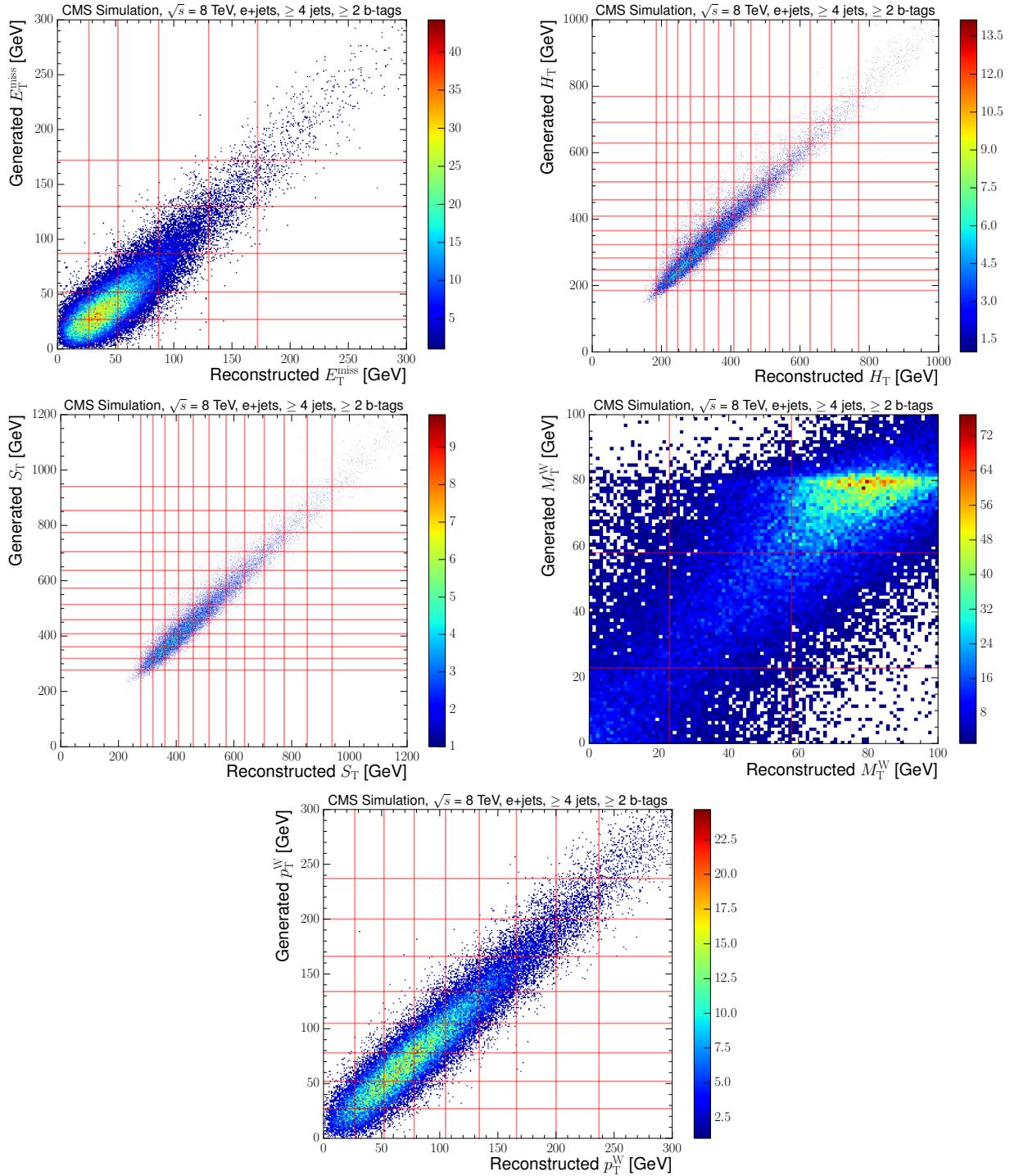


Figure 7.8: Generated versus reconstructed distributions of the primary variables E_T^{miss} (upper left), H_T (upper right), S_T (middle left), M_T^W (middle right) and p_T^W (lower) with horizontal and vertical lines representing the boundaries of the selected bins at $\sqrt{s} = 8$ TeV in the electron+ jets channel. These distributions are obtained using $t\bar{t}$ Monte Carlo simulation.

7.3 Maximum Likelihood Fit

A maximum log likelihood fit of four templates to data in each bin of the primary variables is used to obtain the number of events in each bin. The four templates used are $t\bar{t}$, single top, V+Jets (a combination of W+Jets and Z+Jets events) and QCD. The template distributions are obtained from the following three variables: the absolute pseudorapidity of the lepton ($|\eta|$), the three-dimensional angle between the lepton and the nearest b-jet (α), and the invariant mass of the three jets with the highest p_T sum ($M3$).

The fit is carried out by maximising the log of the likelihood function (LL):

$$LL(x_i, d_i) = -2 \log \prod_i \frac{x_i^{d_i} \cdot e^{-x_i}}{d_i!} = -2 \sum_i \log \left(\frac{x_i^{d_i} \cdot e^{-x_i}}{d_i!} \right). \quad (7.3)$$

where i is the bin index in the template, x_i is the total of all the templates in bin i , and d_i is the observed number of data events in bin i . x_i is defined to be

$$x_i = \sum_j N_j x_{ij}, \text{ with } \sum_i x_{ij} = 1 \text{ for each process.} \quad (7.4)$$

where x_{ij} represents the templates and N_j represents the normalisations of the templates. Fitting using more than one fitting variable (the three aforementioned fitting variables), the log likelihoods are summed:

$$LL(x, d) = -\frac{2}{k} \sum_k \log L_k \quad (7.5)$$

where L_k is the likelihood function of each of the different fit variables. Here the division by k accounts for the fact that the same information is used in all three fit variables, and so full correlation is assumed between the three fitting variables, which provides a conservative estimate of the uncertainties in the resulting fitted parameters. The fit functions by adjusting

the normalisation of each template with the aim of equating x_i and d_i in each bin of each template. The starting normalisations in the templates are obtained from simulation after the full selection has been applied (this includes the QCD template, although the shape for this is obtained from data).

7.3.1 Choice of templates

Three fitting variables are used because no individual variable is able to distinguish between all four templates used in the fit:

- $t\bar{t}$
- single-top
- V+jets ($W+jets + Z+jets$)
- QCD multi-jet

$t\bar{t}$, single-top and V+jets templates are taken from simulation, while the QCD template is extracted from data as described in Section 6.3.5. The $W+jets$ and $Z+jets$ templates are combined firstly due to the similar shapes of the distributions in these two background processes, and secondly due to limited statistics available in simulation. The four template shapes in each of the three fitting variables are shown in Figures 7.9 and 7.10 for the electron+jets channel and the muon+jets channel respectively at $\sqrt{s} = 7 \text{ TeV}$. The corresponding plots for $\sqrt{s} = 8 \text{ TeV}$ are shown in Appendix A.5.

This combination of fitting variables was selected because they are uncorrelated to the primary variables under investigation, and they show good discrimination between the four templates. Single top events have similar signatures to $t\bar{t}$ events, with a central lepton from the decay of the single top, leading to a single top template that is similar to the $t\bar{t}$ template in the electron $|\eta|$ and muon $|\eta|$ distributions. In the α distribution, the similarity is attributable to the fact that the closest b-jet from the lepton is generally a b-jet from

the decay of a t-quark. However, the average boost for single top events is lower than in $t\bar{t}$ events, leading to a wider single top template. The M3 variable will be a combination of the jets from the hadronically decaying t-quark (a b-jet and two other jets from the W-boson) in $t\bar{t}$ events, whereas in the other templates, M3 will simply correspond to some random combination of jets in the event. Hence, M3 shows the best discrimination between the single top and $t\bar{t}$ templates.

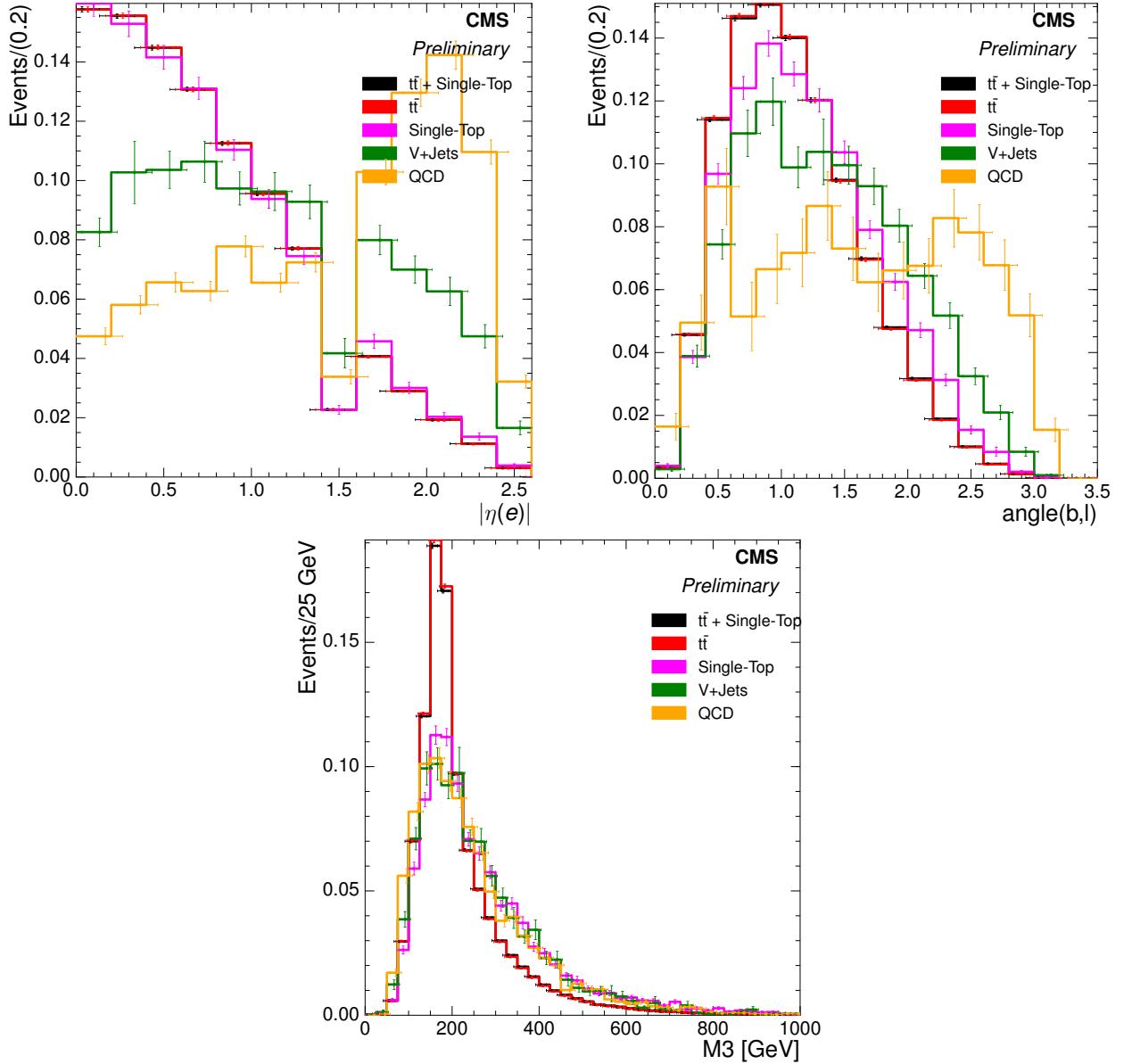


Figure 7.9: Normalised distributions of the templates for the three fit variables at $\sqrt{s} = 7$ TeV, inclusive across all primary variable bins in the electron+jets channel: electron $|\eta|$ (upper left), muon $|\eta|$ (upper right), α (lower left) and M_3 (lower right).

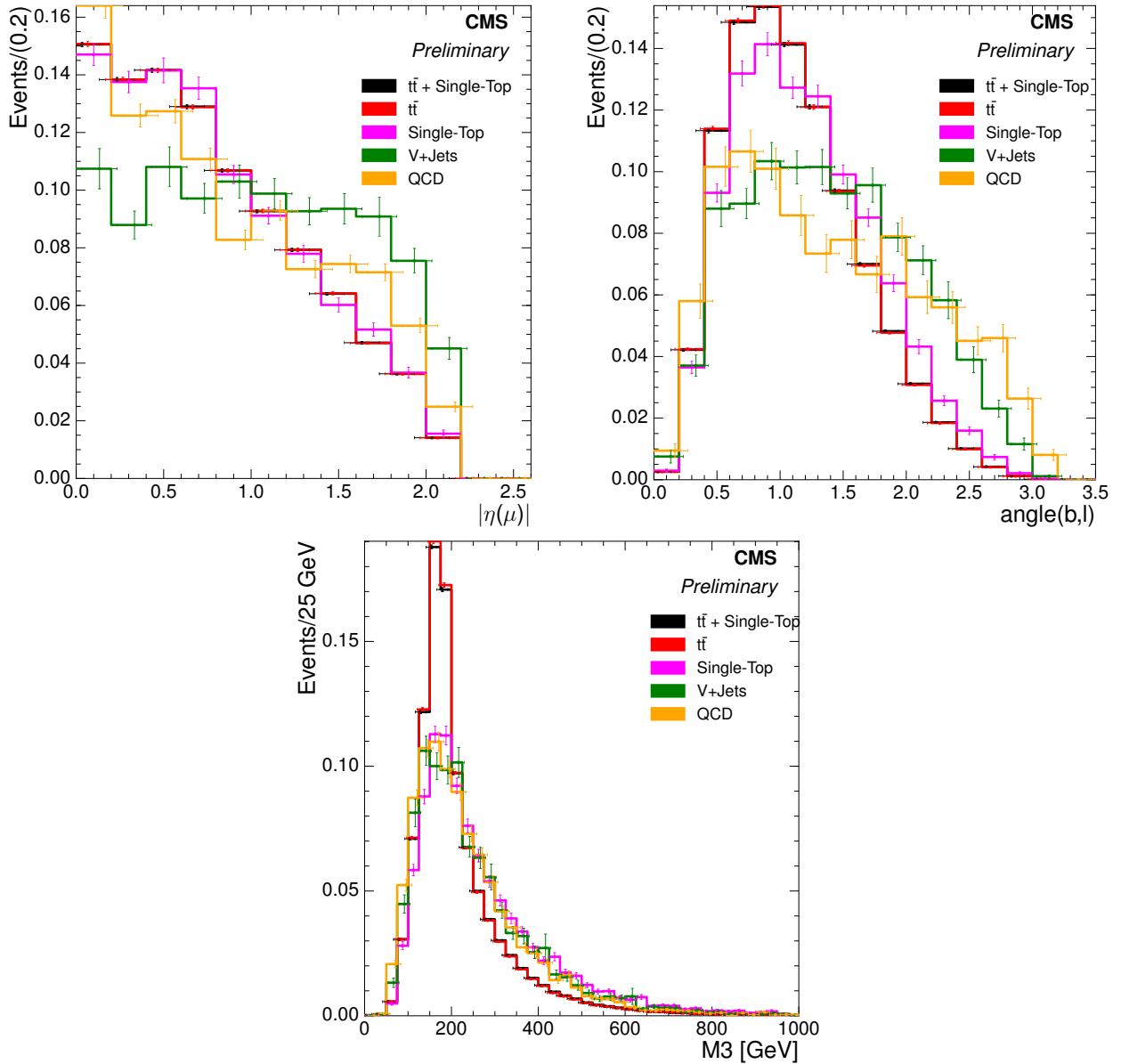


Figure 7.10: Normalised distributions of the four templates for the three fit variables at $\sqrt{s} = 7 \text{ TeV}$, inclusive across all primary variable bins in the muon+jets channel: muon $|\eta|$ (upper left), α (upper right) and $M3$ (lower).

The QCD templates inclusive across all bins of the primary variables are used because of low statistics in the QCD background selection in higher bins. Figure 7.11 shows a comparison between QCD templates at $\sqrt{s} = 8$ TeV in the lowest three bins of the E_T^{miss} variable and also the inclusive E_T^{miss} QCD template. It can be seen that the third E_T^{miss} bin already shows low numbers of events, and that the inclusive template is largely shaped by events in the first two bins. Therefore, the inclusive QCD template is used rather than those in individual bins. Similar plots showing the same behaviour for the other primary variables at $\sqrt{s} = 8$ TeV are shown in Appendix A.6. TODO: INCLUDE THE 7TEV COMPARISONS ALSO?

An inclusive template is also used in the V+jets (W+jets + Z+jets) template for the same reason. Figure 7.12 shows a comparison between the V+jets templates at $\sqrt{s} = 8$ TeV in each E_T^{miss} bin and also the inclusive E_T^{miss} V+jets template. As is the case for the QCD background template, it can be seen in the V+jets templates that there are diminished statistics available in higher bins, and the inclusive template shape is largely governed by the lower bins. Similar plots demonstrating the same behaviour for the other primary variables at $\sqrt{s} = 8$ TeV are shown in Appendix A.7. TODO: INCLUDE THE 7TEV COMPARISONS ALSO?

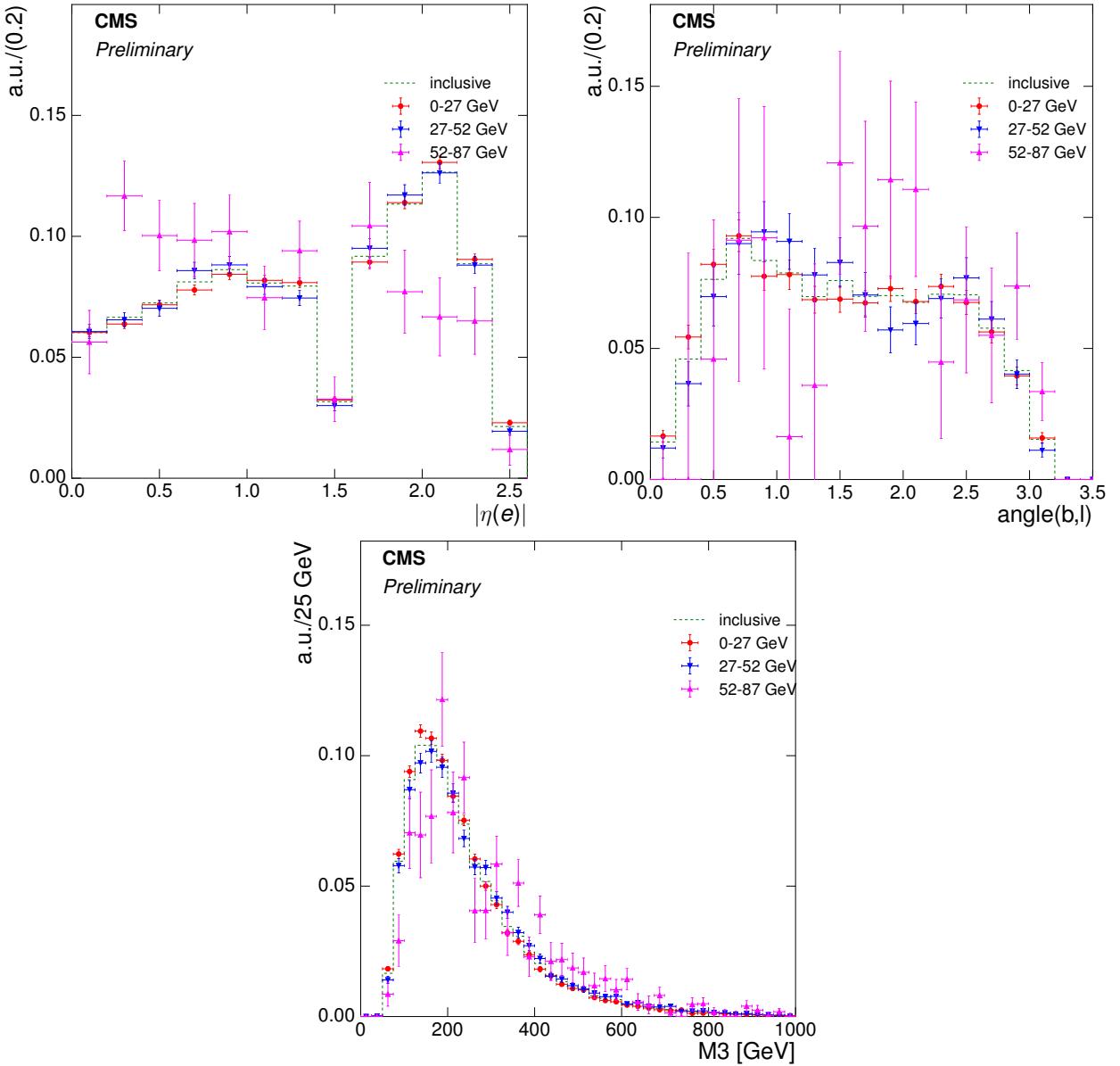


Figure 7.11: Normalised distributions of the QCD templates for the three fit variables at $\sqrt{s} = 8 \text{ TeV}$ inclusive across all E_T^{miss} bins and for the lowest three E_T^{miss} bins in the electron+jets channel: electron $|\eta|$ (upper left), muon $|\eta|$ (upper right), α (lower left) and M_3 (lower right).

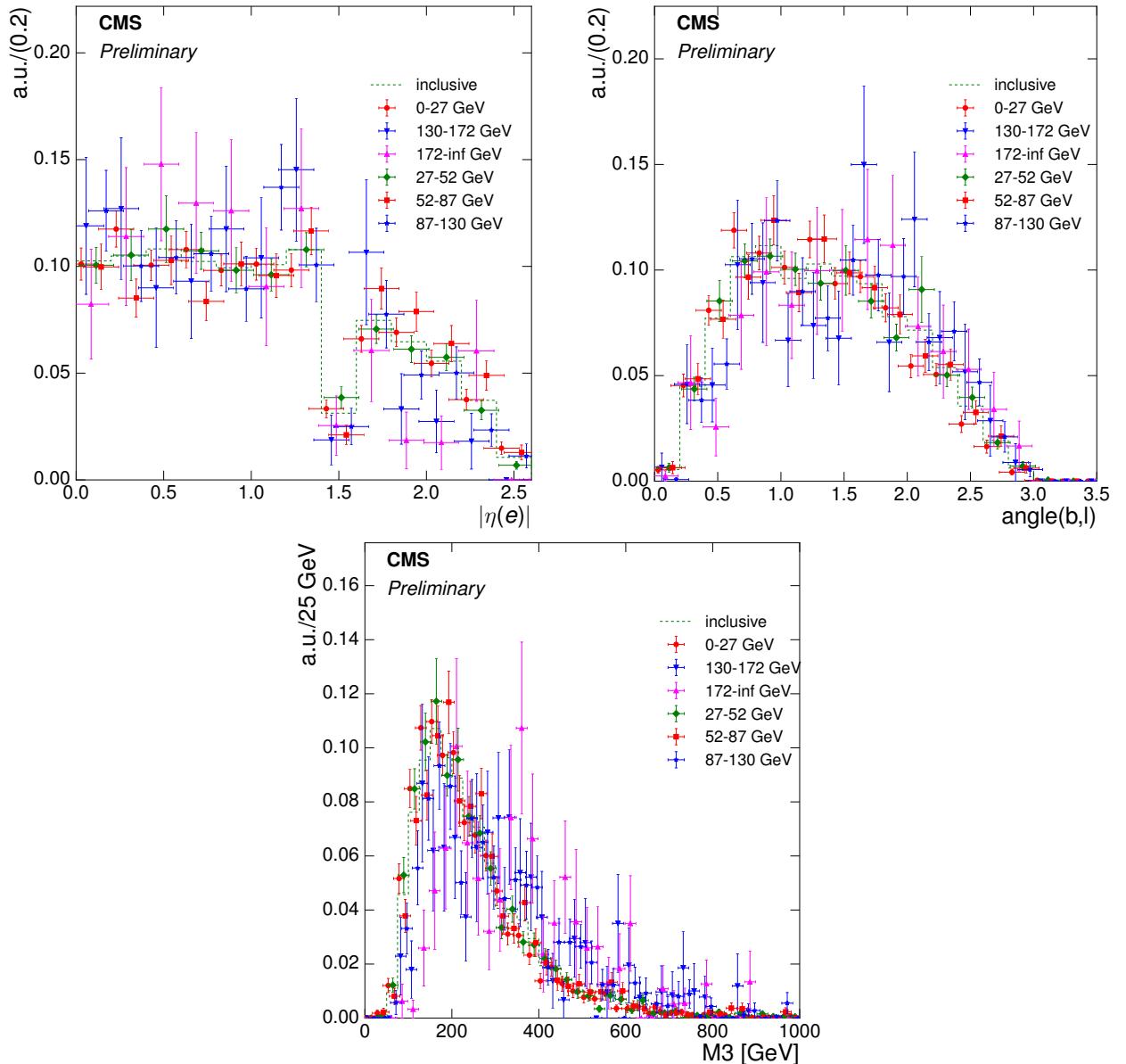


Figure 7.12: Normalised distributions of the V+jets templates for the three fit variables at $\sqrt{s} = 8 \text{ TeV}$ inclusive across all E_T^{miss} bins and for the lowest three E_T^{miss} bins in the electron+jets channel: electron $|\eta|$ (upper left), muon $|\eta|$ (upper right), α (lower left) and $M3$ (lower right).

7.3.2 7TeV V+Jets theory systematic template

Unfortunately, Monte Carlo simulation for theoretical systematic uncertainties at $\sqrt{s} = 7\text{ TeV}$ have not been made available for W+jets and Z+jets processes. However, it can be seen in Figure 7.13 that the W+jets template shapes at $\sqrt{s} = 7\text{ TeV}$ and $\sqrt{s} = 8\text{ TeV}$ are similar. The V+jets template shapes used to evaluate these theoretical systematics are therefore obtained from $\sqrt{s} = 8\text{ TeV}$ theoretical systematic datasets, and then scaled to the normalisation in the nominal sample at $\sqrt{s} = 7\text{ TeV}$.

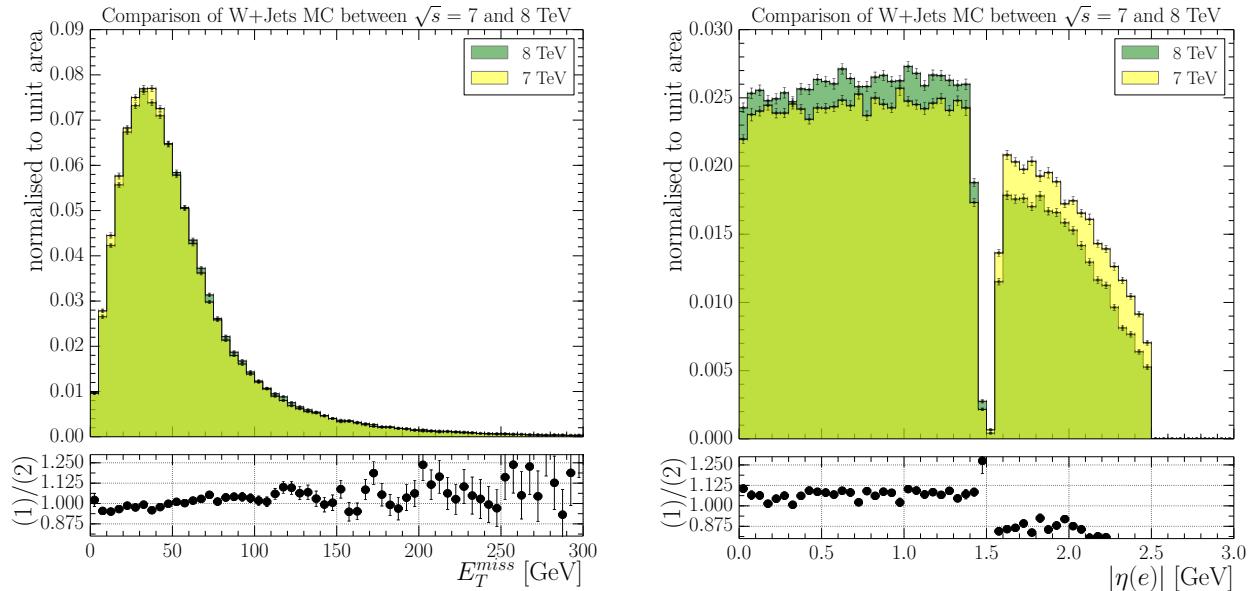


Figure 7.13: Shape comparison of W+jets templates in $\sqrt{s} = 7\text{ TeV}$ and $\sqrt{s} = 8\text{ TeV}$ Monte Carlo simulation for E_T^{miss} (left) and electron $|\eta|$ (right) in the electron+jets channel.

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7.3.3 Fit Results

The results from the fit are shown in Figures 7.14 and 7.15 for the electron and muon channels respectively at $\sqrt{s} = 7\text{ TeV}$, and in Figures 7.16 and 7.17 for the electron and muon channels at $\sqrt{s} = 8\text{ TeV}$. The corresponding numerical values from the fit can be found in Appendix A.8. Overall, the agreement between the data and the simulation is within the fit uncertainty.

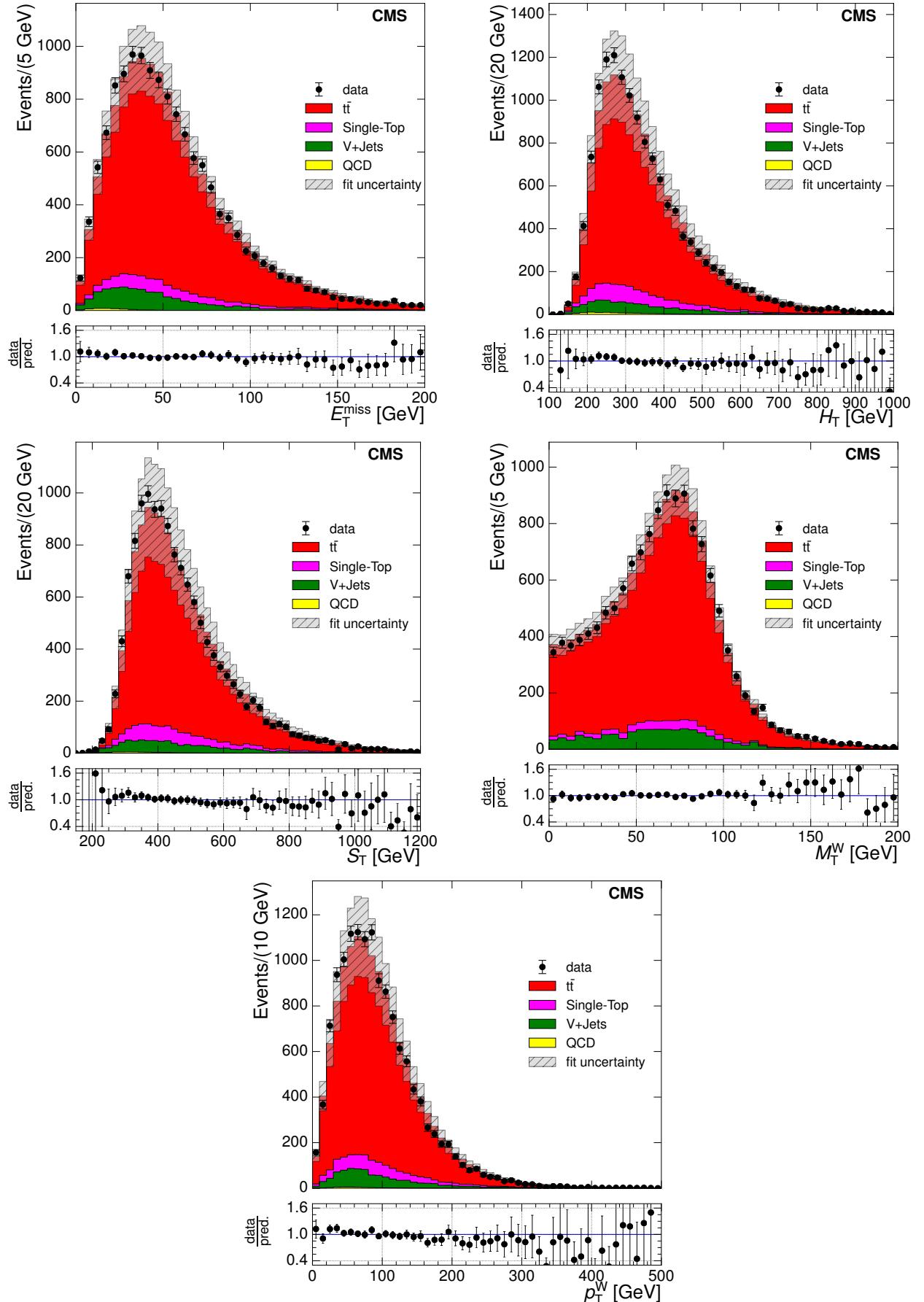


Figure 7.14: Comparison of Monte Carlo simulation to data in the electron+jets channel after fitting at $\sqrt{s} = 7 \text{ TeV}$.

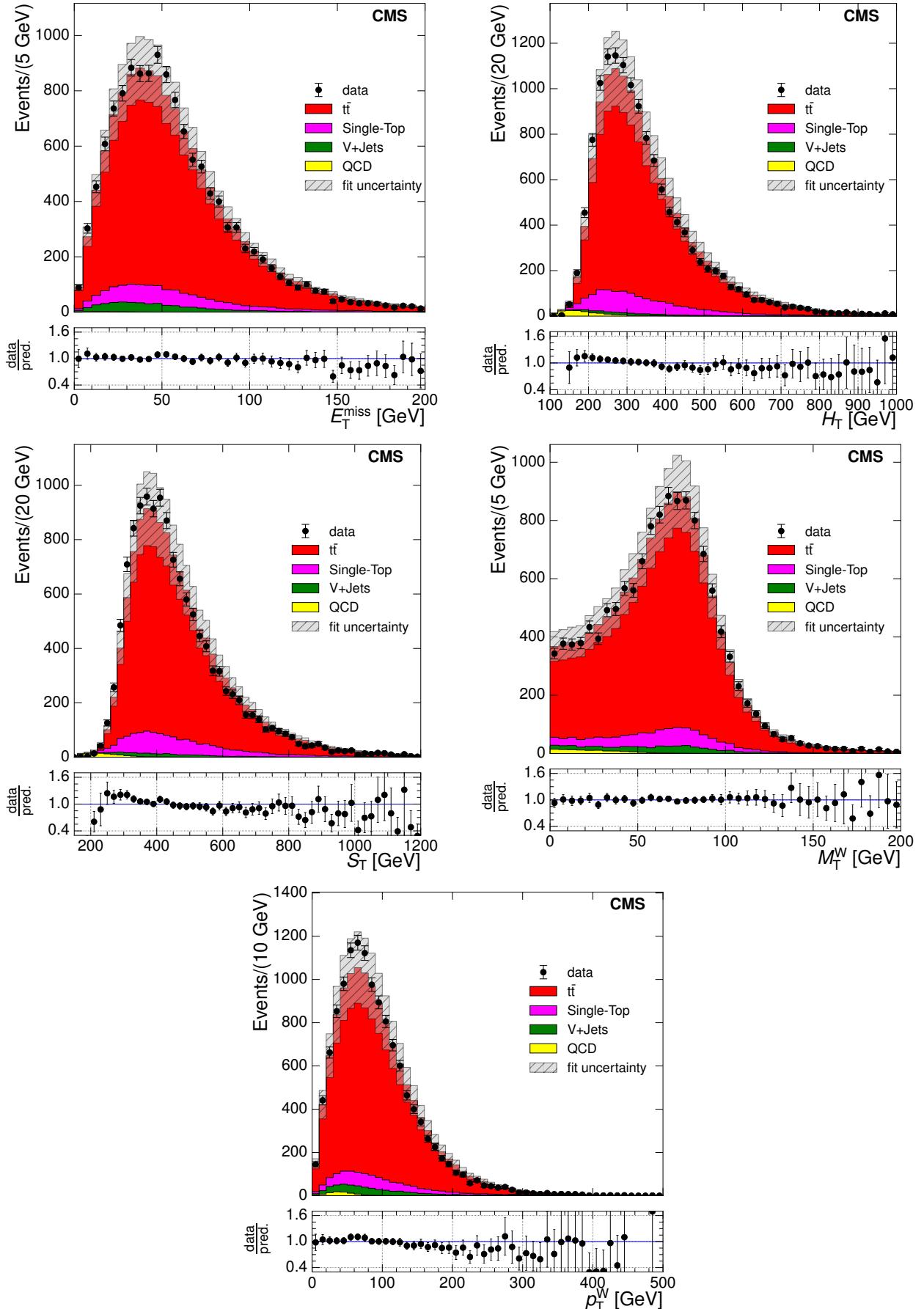


Figure 7.15: Comparison of Monte Carlo simulation to data in the muon+jets channel after fitting at $\sqrt{s} = 7$ TeV.

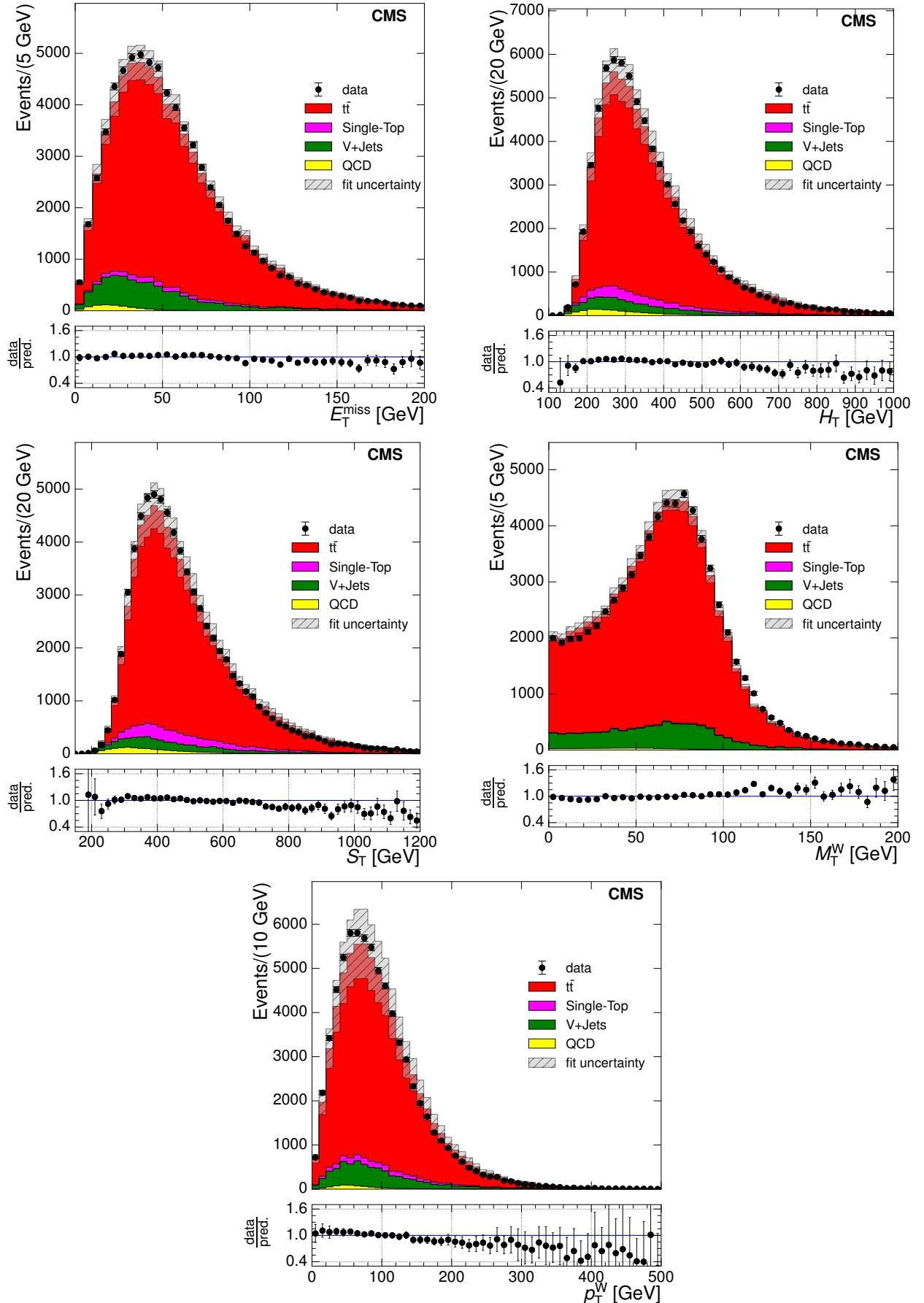


Figure 7.16: Comparison of Monte Carlo simulation to data in the electron+jets channel after fitting at $\sqrt{s} = 8$ TeV.

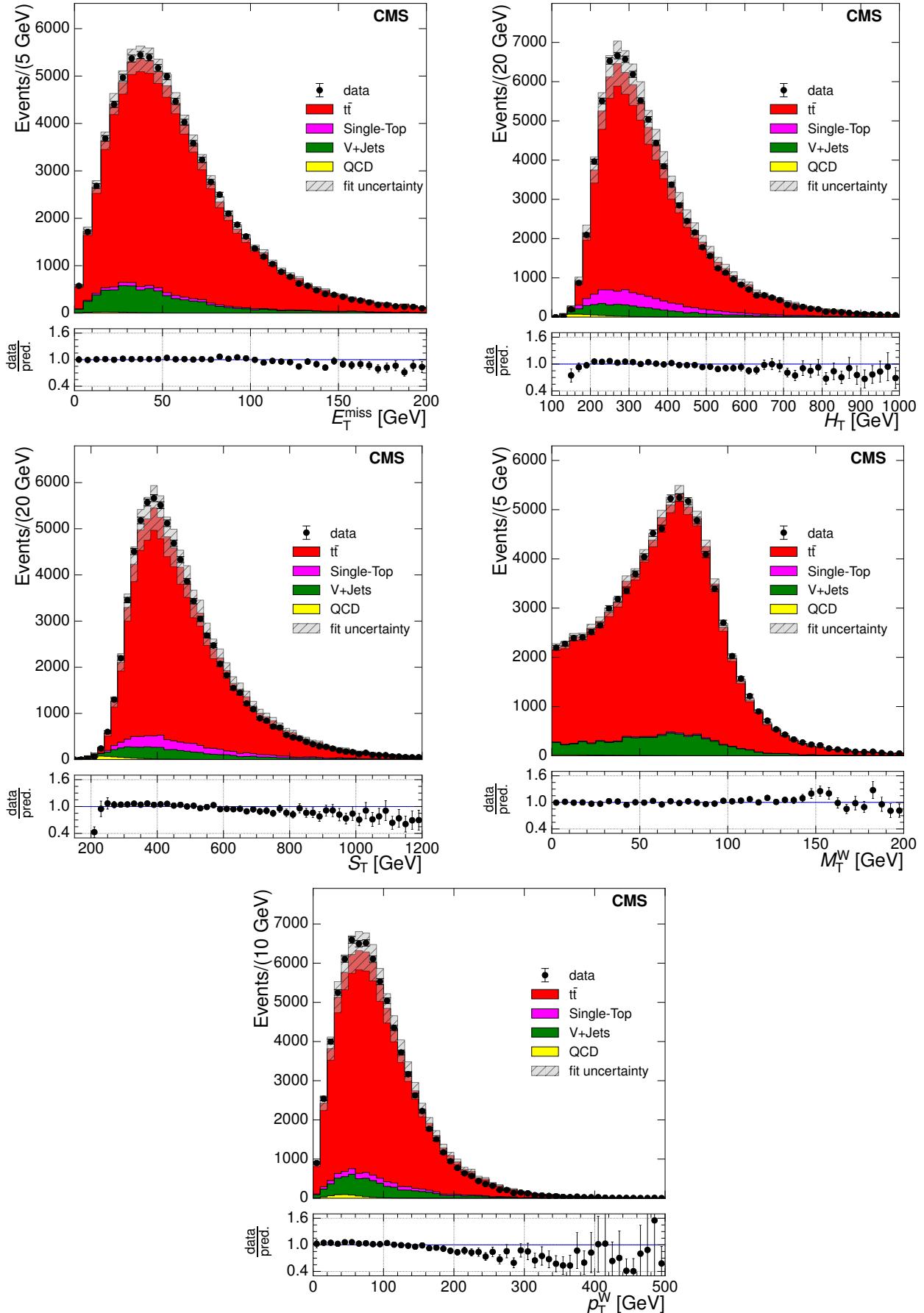


Figure 7.17: Comparison of Monte Carlo simulation to data in the muon+jets channel after fitting at $\sqrt{s} = 8 \text{ TeV}$.

7.4 Unfolding

The measurement of the differential cross section will be limited by the finite resolution of the detector, detector acceptance and selection efficiency, and also by the presence of a small number of dilepton and fully hadronic $t\bar{t}$ events, and semi-leptonic events in the tau channel. In order to allow later comparison of results with theory predictions and with measurements from other experiments, deconvolution, or unfolding, is employed to provide an estimate of the true distributions of the measured variables.

Generally speaking, some variable can be simulated to produce a true distribution, denoted by a vector x_0 , and after performing the reconstruction algorithms on this, a corresponding measured distribution in simulation, b_0 . These are related by

$$\hat{A}x_0 = b_0. \quad (7.6)$$

where \hat{A} is the response matrix, containing information about how the true distribution is reconstructed and measured as the distribution obtained in the real world. The variable in question is then measured in reality to have some distribution, b , which is then related to the true distribution by

$$\hat{A}x = b. \quad (7.7)$$

Directly inverting the response matrix results in rapidly oscillating solutions [53]. Therefore, in this analysis, the system is solved to identify the true underlying distribution, x , using Singular Value Decomposition (SVD) [53] of the response matrix, with the RooUnfold package [16]. In SVD unfolding, the response matrix is factorised as follows:

$$\hat{A} = USV^T. \quad (7.8)$$

S is a diagonal matrix with non-negative diagonal elements of dimensions $m \times n$, and U and V are orthogonal matrices of dimensions $m \times m$ and $n \times n$ respectively. The diagonal elements of S are called *singular values* of the matrix A and the columns of U and V are called the left and right *singular vectors*. The inverse of the response matrix can then be stated as

$$\hat{A}^{-1} = VS^{-1}U^T. \quad (7.9)$$

In systems with a full rank response matrix and statistical errors in the bins of the distribution are small, the problem can be solved simply using the inverted response matrix \hat{A}^{-1} . However, in ill-defined systems, the response matrix A is almost degenerate and has singular values near zero and in cases where the measurement has significant statistical errors, the problem produces an oscillating solution of no meaning, since random components will be amplified [53]. Regularisation is used in the SVD unfolding method to help overcome this problem.

Considering a measured variable that follows a smooth distribution, only the first few bins are expected to be significant, with following bins expected to be compatible with zero. Using d , a vector obtained by rotating the measured distribution

$$d = U^T \times b, \quad (7.10)$$

a plot of $\log|d_i|$ versus i can be plotted, where the bin number is represented by i . This will show d_i as being statistically significant for small i , and falling exponentially to a random Gaussian distribution for larger i . A falling exponential function plus a flat line is fitted to this distribution, and the value of i at which the d_i changes from exponentially falling to within 10% of the flat component is taken as the value of the regularisation parameter, k , which represents the number of significant bins in the distribution [53].

The value of k should be between 2 and the number of bins in the distribution, and aims

to prevent statistical fluctuations in the distribution being interpreted as real variations in the true data. A low value of k favours the Monte Carlo truth input, while a high value of k favours the measured data which is to be unfolded. The $\log|d_i|$ plots for E_T^{miss} variable at $\sqrt{s} = 7 \text{ TeV}$ is shown in Figure 7.18. The resulting k values for both channels and both centre of mass energies are shown in Table 7.3.

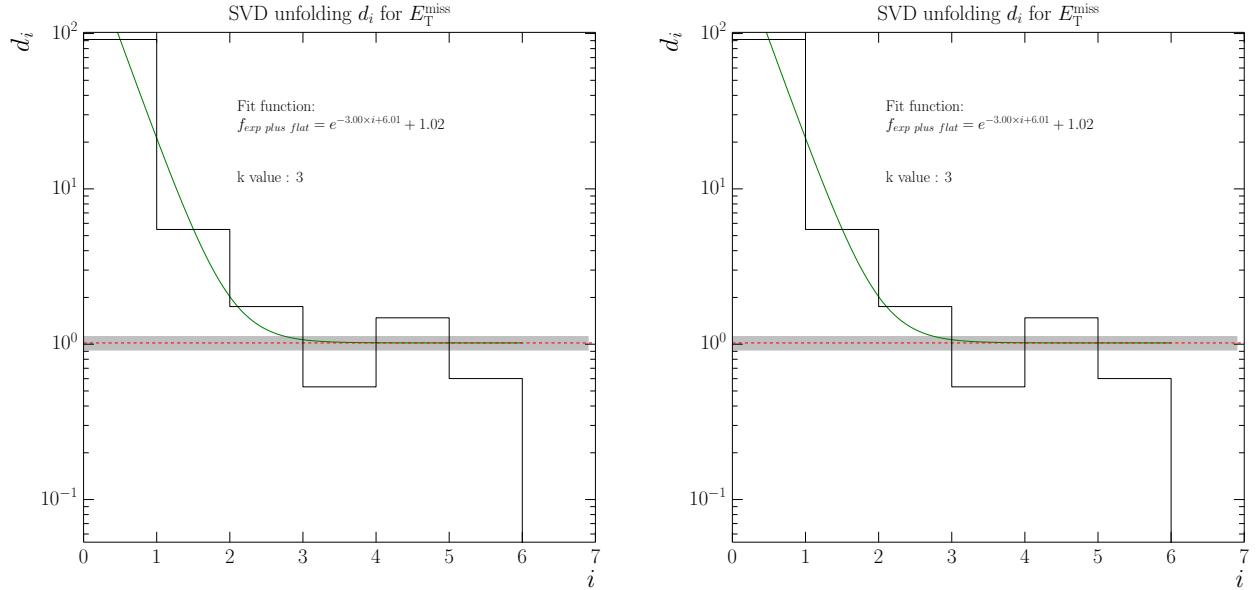


Figure 7.18: $\log|d_i|$ plots at $\sqrt{s} = 8 \text{ TeV}$ for the electron+jets channel (left) and the muon+jets channel (right). TODO: INSERT UPDATED PLOTS

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In summary, the required inputs to unfolding are the Monte Carlo simulated true distribution before selection, the Monte Carlo simulated reconstructed distribution after selection, and the two-dimensional reconstruction matrix of the true variables after selection versus the measured distributions after selection. These are all obtained from Monte Carlo simulations of $t\bar{t}$ events.

Unfolding is carried out to the semi-leptonic phase space, where the lepton is either an electron or a muon. In the cases of E_T^{miss} , p_T^W and M_T^W , unfolding is carried out to the full phase-space where the E_T^{miss} is defined as the p_T of the neutrino from the semi-leptonic decay; and in the cases of H_T and S_T , unfolding is carried out to particle level where the generated jets have $p_T \geq 20 \text{ GeV}$.

variable	k-value (electron)	k-value (muon)
$\sqrt{s} = 7 \text{ TeV}$		
E_T^{miss}	2	2
H_T	3	3
S_T	3	3
M_T^W	2	2
p_T^W	3	3
$\sqrt{s} = 8 \text{ TeV}$		
E_T^{miss}	3	3
H_T	3	3
S_T	4	4
M_T^W	2	2
p_T^W	3	3

Table 7.3: Optimal k -values for all primary variables at both 7 and 8 TeV.

Closure tests were carried out to verify the unfolding method using reconstructed simulated events as pseudo-data. A successful closure test results in the unfolded values matching the simulated truth of the same simulation sample, as can be seen in Figure 7.19.

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The unfolding method described here was tested using toy Monte Carlo sets and producing pull distributions to investigate any potential bias in the method and to verify the unfolding error is estimated correctly. The central $t\bar{t}$ MADGRAPH sample is used to vary the contents in each bin of each primary variable distribution based on assumed Poissonian behaviour around the observed values. 300 sets of variations (henceforth referred to as models) are created, with the truth and reconstructed distributions varied independently, while another independent variation of the reconstructed distribution is used as the pseudo-data to be unfolded. This therefore creates 300×300 combinations of model and pseudo-data. The pull distributions are created as follows

$$\frac{N^{\text{unfolded}} - N^{\text{true}}}{\sigma} \quad (7.11)$$

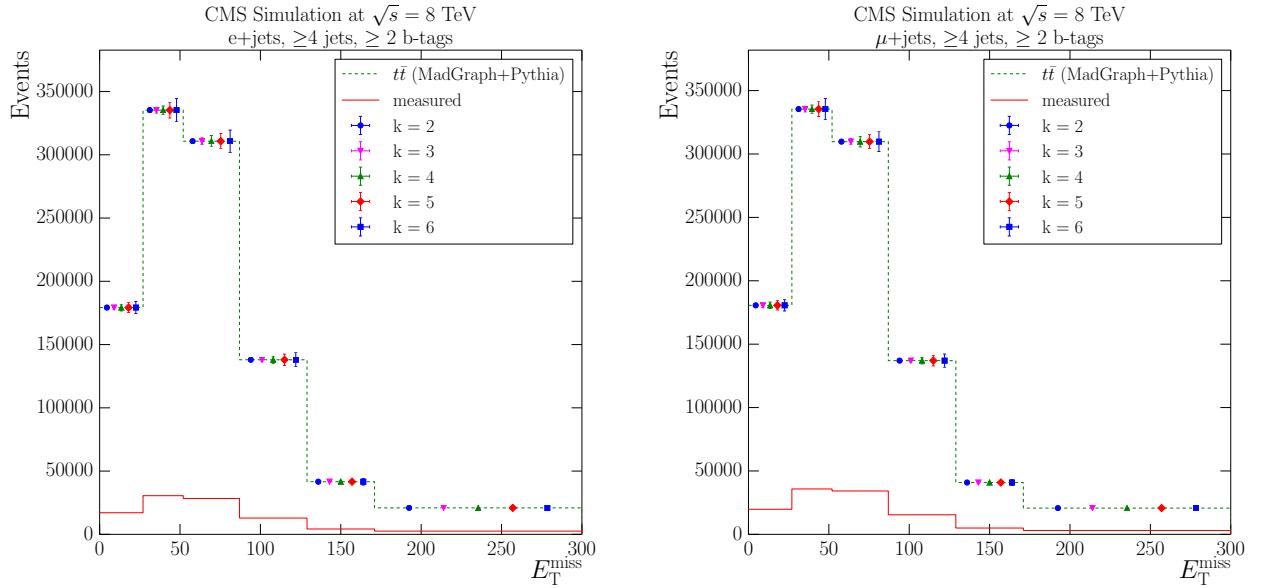


Figure 7.19: Unfolding closure tests performed by unfolding the reconstructed MADGRAPH distribution (“measured”) to generated values for the E_T^{miss} variable in the electron+jets channel (left) and the muon+jets channel (right) at $\sqrt{s} = 8 \text{ TeV}$. TODO: INSERT UPDATED PLOTS

where N^{unfolded} is the number of events in the unfolded result, N^{true} is the number of events in the expected distribution after unfolding (Monte Carlo truth), and σ is the unfolding uncertainty. Provided the unfolding uncertainty is estimated correctly and that there is no bias in the method, the pull distribution is expected to have a Gaussian distribution around a mean of 0 and a σ of 1. Any bias would manifest as a pull distribution centred at a non-zero value, and any miscalculation of the unfolding uncertainty will result in a width of < 1 or > 1 for an overestimation or an underestimation respectively.

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7.4.1 Measurement

The unfolded number of $t\bar{t}$ events can now be used to calculate the normalised differential cross-section in each bin of the primary variables by first calculating the average cross-section in each bin using

$$\Delta\sigma_{t\bar{t}}^i = \frac{N_{t\bar{t}}^i}{\text{BR} \times \epsilon \times \mathcal{L}}. \quad (7.12)$$

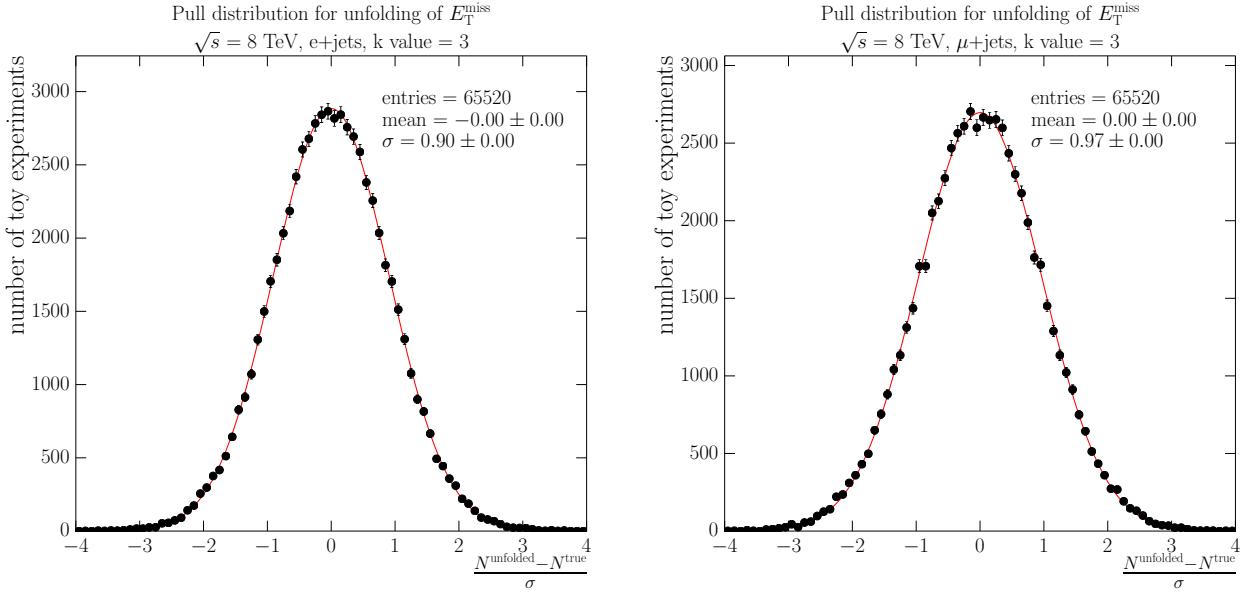


Figure 7.20: Pull distribution using toy Monte Carlo datasets for the E_T^{miss} variable using a k value of 3 in the electron+jets channel (left) and in the muon+jets channel (right) at $\sqrt{s} = 8 \text{ TeV}$. TODO:INSERT UPDATED PLOTS

Here, the theoretical $t\bar{t}$ semi-leptonic branching ratio is denoted by BR , ϵ is the total efficiency of the $t\bar{t}$ simulation sample, and L is the luminosity of the recorded dataset. The efficiency term can be disregarded since the unfolding procedure takes account of the efficiency, so ϵ can be set to 1. Subsequently, the differential cross section in each primary variable bin is calculated by dividing by the bin width ΔX as follows:

$$\frac{d\sigma_{t\bar{t}}^i}{dX} = \frac{\Delta\sigma_{t\bar{t}}^i}{\Delta X} = \frac{N_{t\bar{t}}^i}{\text{BR} \times \mathcal{L} \times \Delta X}. \quad (7.13)$$

Finally, the normalised differential cross section in each bin is obtained by normalising to the total measured cross section

$$\frac{1}{\sigma_{t\bar{t}}^{\text{tot}}} \frac{d\sigma_{t\bar{t}}^i}{dX} = \frac{1}{\sum_j d\sigma_{t\bar{t}}^j} \frac{d\sigma_{t\bar{t}}^j}{dX} = \frac{\text{BR} \times \mathcal{L}}{\sum_j N_{t\bar{t}}^j} \frac{N_{t\bar{t}}^i}{\text{BR} \times \mathcal{L} \times \Delta X} = \frac{1}{\sum_j N_{t\bar{t}}^j} \frac{N_{t\bar{t}}^i}{\Delta X} \quad (7.14)$$

8 | 7 TeV and 8 TeV Differential Cross Section Measurement: Systematic Uncertainties and Results

8.1 Systematic uncertainties

The systematic uncertainties in this analysis are evaluated by changing the inputs by the associated uncertainties and measuring the change in the final result compared to the nominal measurement. The uncertainty from a systematic source is then taken as the maximum value between the up or down systematic variation. The total measurement error is obtained by adding the fitting, unfolding and systematic uncertainties in quadrature.

In the case of experimental systematics, the uncertainty is calculated by changing the templates in the fitting process and/or their normalisations, and using the nominal MADGRAPH response matrix in the unfolding process. In the case of theoretical systematics, the central fitting templates and normalisation are used, while the response matrix information is changed according to the systematic being investigated.

The systematic uncertainties are summarised in Tables 8.2 to 8.11.

8.1.1 Experimental Uncertainties

Jet energy scale uncertainty is evaluated as a function of jet p_T and jet η and a 10% jet energy resolution uncertainty is applied. The jet energy scale uncertainty becomes significant at higher values of the primary variables, in particular of E_T^{miss} . This is because the jet energy

corrections directly affects the E_T^{miss} measurement by virtue of the jet energy corrections being propagated to the E_T^{miss} (see Section 6.4.4). The H_T and S_T variables are also affected, as the jet energy corrections directly change the p_T of jets in the event.

Together with jet energy scale uncertainty, the E_T^{miss} energy uncertainties are the only systematics applied to both simulation and data. These affect how the uncertainty on the energy of the lepton in the event affects the E_T^{miss} . While the electron and muon energy uncertainties are not dominant sources of error in this analysis, the tau energy has been calculated to be larger. Events with tau leptons can pass the signal selection (known as fake events, i.e. non semi-leptonic $t\bar{t}$ events which pass our signal selection) if they mimic the signature of an electron+jets or muon+jets $t\bar{t}$ event:

- semi-leptonic tau, where $\tau \rightarrow e/\mu + \bar{\nu}_{e/\mu} + \nu_\tau$
- di-leptonic $e\tau$ & $\mu\tau$, where $\tau \rightarrow q\bar{q}' + \nu_\tau$
- di-leptonic $\tau\tau$, where $\tau \rightarrow q\bar{q}' + \nu_\tau, \tau \rightarrow e/\mu + \bar{\nu}_{e/\mu}$

If, for example, the leptonically decaying W boson from a semi-leptonic $t\bar{t}$ decay decays to a tau lepton and a tau neutrino, and the tau lepton then decays to another tau neutrino, an electron/muon and an electron/muon neutrino via a virtual W boson, such an event would fake our signal and pass the $t\bar{t}$ signal selection. Although the unfolding process removes fake events by subtracting the fake distribution obtained from simulation, the shape of the fake distribution in the nominal measurement is also used to subtract from the systematic measurements with the tau energy varied up and down. The comparison of shapes in the fake and the signal distributions from $t\bar{t}$ simulation are shown on the left in Figure 8.1. It can be seen that relatively, the contribution from fakes increases as E_T^{miss} increases. The effect of varying the electron and muon energies is not so pronounced because there are not many electrons or muons in the fake collection (a dileptonic $t\bar{t}$ event with ee , $e\mu$ or $\mu\mu$ would have to be misreconstructed as a semi-leptonic event for this to happen). However, since approximately 14% of the reconstructed $t\bar{t}$ events in simulation are fake events (13.5% in

electron channel and 13.9% in muon channel), as seen on the right in Figure 8.1, varying the tau energy has a more significant influence on the measurement.

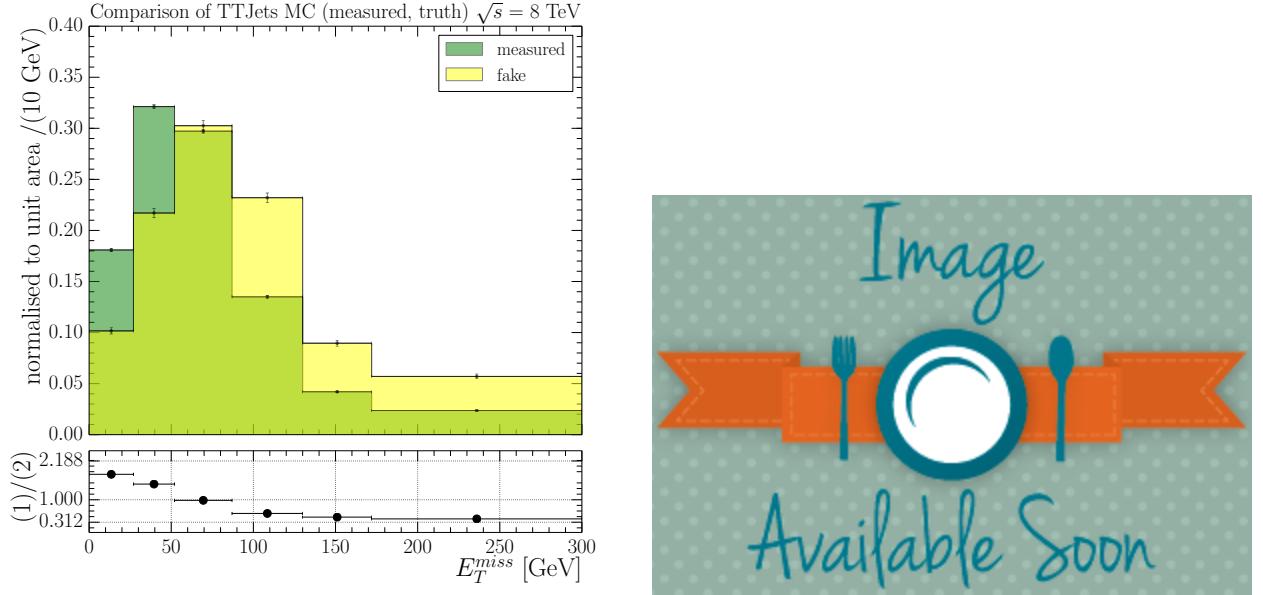


Figure 8.1: Comparison of the signal and fake distributions from semi-leptonic $t\bar{t}$ events after selection in simulation in the electron+jets channel at $\sqrt{s} = 8$ TeV normalised to one (left) and normalised to the numbers of events (right). TODO:MAKE SECOND PLOT

The difference between the tau energy down (-1σ) variation and the nominal measurements in the E_T^{miss} variable before fitting and unfolding is shown in Figure 8.2. In the highest E_T^{miss} bin, the difference is approximately 6%, and this value remains approximately constant after fitting and unfolding, as shown in Table 8.1. It can be seen therefore that the significant affect of varying the tau energy is not an artifact of the fitting and/or unfolding procedure, but a real difference in the number of events.

Table 8.1: Difference between central and tau energy up and down systematic value in highest E_T^{miss} bin at a centre-of-mass energy of 8 TeV in the electron channel TODO: FILL TABLE

Stage	τ energy up	τ energy down
Before Fitting & Unfolding(%)		
After Fitting, before Unfolding(%)		
After Fitting & Unfolding(%)		

Other small sources of experimental uncertainty include the non-clustered energy uncertainty

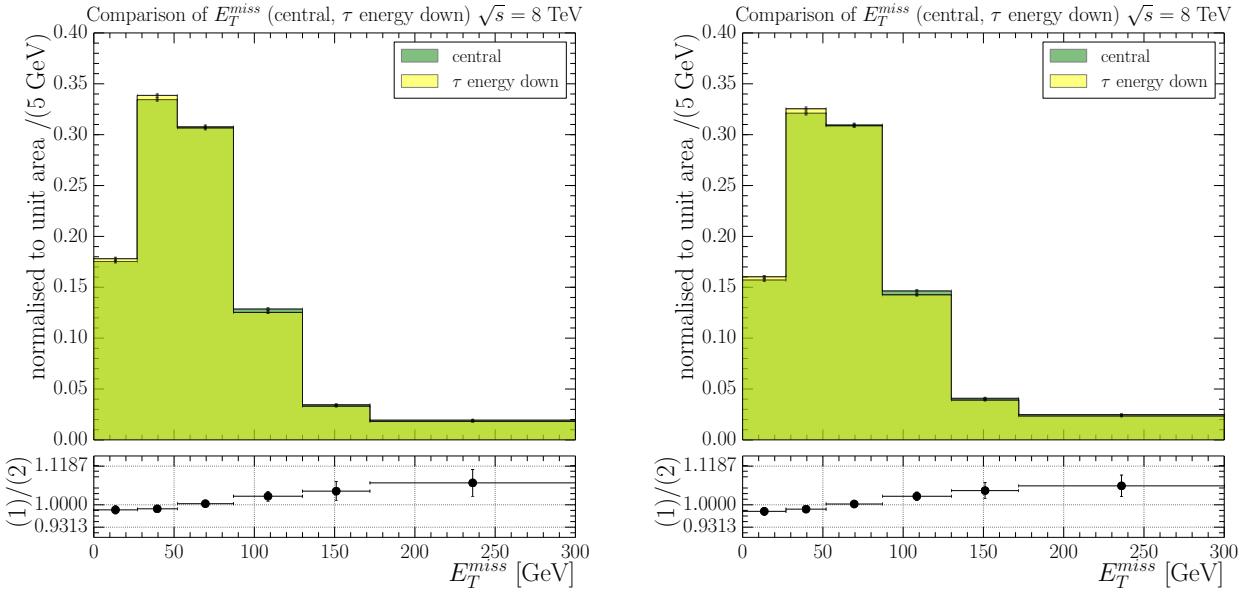


Figure 8.2: Comparison of the E_T^{miss} distributions in the nominal measurement and in the tau energy down variation before fitting and unfolding in data (left) and in $t\bar{t}$ simulation (right) at $\sqrt{s} = 8 \text{ TeV}$

(which refers to the fluctuations in deposits in the electromagnetic calorimeter that are not included in jet clusters), the matching threshold and factorisation and normalisation scale uncertainties in $W + \text{jets}$ and $Z + \text{jets}$ events, pileup uncertainty, the QCD template shape uncertainty, and the efficiency of electron, muon and b-tagging in the selection process.

The tau energy systematic becomes more significant in the region of higher primary variable values. This stems from $t\bar{t}$ events with tau leptons. Taus could pass the signal selection in two ways. Events in which one W boson decays to a muon or an electron and the associated neutrino, and the other W boson decays to a τ lepton which then decays hadronically; and also semi-leptonic events in which the lepton is a tau, which then decays to a tau neutrino, and electron or a muon and the associated neutrino. This

Rate changing systematics such as the uncertainty on the luminosity and the uncertainty on the theoretical cross-sections of the signal and background processes have a negligible effect on the final result, since they influence only the template normalisations that are input to the fitting process.

8.1.2 Theoretical Uncertainties

The factorisation and normalisation scale (Q^2 up/down) uncertainty is evaluated using simulation samples produced with the scale varied by factors of 2 (up) and 0.5 (down). This has been evaluated to be one of the dominating uncertainties in this analysis. The uncertainty in the matching threshold (matching up/down) for $t\bar{t}$ events is evaluated in the same way.

The uncertainty due to hadronisation modelling is evaluated by comparing a simulated sample generated using the POWHEG generator and PYTHIA to model the hadron showering (POWHEG +PYTHIA) to a sample generator using the same POWHEG generator and HERWIG to model the hadron showering (POWHEG +HERWIG). The difference between the PYTHIA and HERWIG samples is scaled to the nominal measurement and taken as the hadronisation uncertainty. All variables, and in particular those sensitive to hadronic aspects of an event such as H_T and S_T , are significantly affected by this systematic, with a larger uncertainty at lower values of the primary variables.

The proton PDF uncertainties are evaluated similarly, with 44 distinct weights from the CTEQ 6.6 PDF sets used to reweight events in the simulated samples and repeat the analysis. Top quark mass uncertainty is evaluated using $t\bar{t}$ samples produced with two different top quark masses of 169.5 GeV and 173.5 GeV, and scaling the error obtained using these samples to the top mass uncertainty of ± 1.0 GeV.

There is a known problem with event generators mismodelling the top quark p_T distribution; the distribution of the transverse momentum of top quarks in data was found to be softer than that in simulation [32]. The effect of this correction on the nominal measurement was evaluated to be negligible for low values of the primary variables, increasing to 3-7% at higher values. The MADGRAPH simulation after applying the t-quark p_T correction is also included in the results plots (Figures 8.3 to 8.12).

The most significant shape changing uncertainties typically arise from the factorisation scale

variations in the $t\bar{t}$ process and the hadronisation.

8.1.3 Systematic Uncertainty Tables

Table 8.2: Systematic uncertainties for the normalised $t\bar{t}$ cross section measurement with respect to E_T^{miss} variable at a centre-of-mass energy of 7 TeV (combination of electron and muon channels).

Uncertainty source	0–27 GeV	27–52 GeV	52–87 GeV	87–130 GeV	130–172 GeV	≥ 172 GeV
b-tagging efficiency -1σ (%)	0.03	0.01	-0.01	-0.03	-0.05	-0.07
b-tagging efficiency $+1\sigma$ (%)	-0.03	-0.01	0.01	0.03	0.05	0.07
Electron efficiency -1σ (%)	-0.00	0.00	0.00	-0.00	-0.00	-0.01
Electron efficiency $+1\sigma$ (%)	0.01	0.01	-0.01	-0.02	-0.01	0.01
Jet energy resolution -1σ (%)	-0.00	-0.02	-0.02	0.04	0.14	0.25
Jet energy resolution $+1\sigma$ (%)	0.06	0.03	-0.01	-0.08	-0.14	-0.17
Jet energy scale -1σ (%)	-0.18	-0.11	0.03	0.25	0.51	0.72
Jet energy scale $+1\sigma$ (%)	-0.11	0.02	0.10	-0.01	-0.23	-0.43
Muon efficiency -1σ (%)	-0.00	-0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.01
Muon efficiency $+1\sigma$ (%)	0.00	0.00	-0.00	-0.00	-0.00	-0.01
PDF uncertainty -1σ (%)	1.23	0.57	0.49	0.68	0.65	2.08
PDF uncertainty $+1\sigma$ (%)	1.23	0.57	0.49	0.68	0.65	2.08
Pile-up -1σ (%)	-0.00	-0.00	0.00	0.01	0.01	0.01
Pile-up $+1\sigma$ (%)	0.04	0.03	-0.01	-0.05	-0.10	-0.13
QCD cross section $+1\sigma$ (%)	0.00	0.00	0.00	-0.00	-0.00	-0.00
QCD cross section -1σ (%)	0.16	-0.02	-0.13	-0.02	0.24	0.49
QCD shape uncertainty (%)	0.02	0.01	-0.01	-0.02	-0.03	-0.04
Single top cross section $+1\sigma$ (%)	-0.00	-0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-0.00
Single top cross section -1σ (%)	-0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-0.00	-0.00
$t\bar{t}$ cross section $+1\sigma$ (%)	0.00	0.00	0.00	-0.00	-0.00	-0.00
$t\bar{t}$ cross section -1σ (%)	0.00	0.00	-0.00	-0.00	-0.00	-0.00
$t\bar{t}$ (top mass down) (%)	-0.02	0.02	0.10	-0.18	-0.26	-0.02
$t\bar{t}$ (top mass up) (%)	0.20	-0.16	0.02	-0.17	1.07	-0.20
$t\bar{t}$ (matching down) (%)	0.03	0.14	-0.00	-0.66	-0.21	2.55
$t\bar{t}$ (matching up) (%)	-0.07	-0.12	0.34	0.06	-0.86	-1.57
$t\bar{t}$ (Q^2 down) (%)	-0.09	0.08	0.20	-0.37	-0.24	-1.04
$t\bar{t}$ (Q^2 up) (%)	-0.57	0.03	0.38	-0.26	0.09	0.38
V+jets cross section $+1\sigma$ (%)	-0.00	-0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
V+jets cross section -1σ (%)	0.00	0.00	0.00	-0.00	-0.00	-0.00
V+jets (matching down) (%)	-0.31	-0.14	0.11	0.33	0.51	0.63
V+jets (matching up) (%)	-0.42	-0.18	0.16	0.42	0.58	0.69
V+jets (Q^2 down) (%)	-0.62	-0.28	0.21	0.66	1.00	1.25
V+jets (Q^2 up) (%)	-0.39	-0.17	0.14	0.41	0.60	0.72
Hadronisation uncertainty (%)	1.08	1.27	0.14	2.84	6.22	7.31
Luminosity $+1\sigma$ (%)	0.00	0.00	-0.00	-0.00	-0.00	-0.00
Luminosity -1σ (%)	0.00	0.00	-0.00	-0.00	-0.00	-0.00
Electron energy -1σ (%)	-0.07	-0.05	0.01	0.10	0.20	0.27
Electron energy $+1\sigma$ (%)	0.03	0.02	-0.00	-0.05	-0.10	-0.14
Muon energy -1σ (%)	0.00	-0.00	-0.00	0.00	0.01	0.02
Muon energy $+1\sigma$ (%)	0.03	0.02	-0.01	-0.04	-0.07	-0.10
Tau energy -1σ (%)	1.09	0.61	-0.27	-1.36	-2.45	-3.33
Tau energy $+1\sigma$ (%)	-1.07	-0.61	0.24	1.37	2.51	3.41
Unclustered energy -1σ (%)	0.29	0.19	-0.05	-0.41	-0.79	-1.11
Unclustered energy $+1\sigma$ (%)	-0.17	-0.11	0.02	0.24	0.48	0.66
$p_T(t, \bar{t})$ reweighting (%)	0.91	1.36	1.41	1.86	6.51	14.73
Total (%)	3.03	2.49	2.15	4.36	9.94	17.53

Table 8.3: Systematic uncertainties for the normalised $t\bar{t}$ cross section measurement with respect to H_T variable at a centre-of-mass energy of 7 TeV (combination of electron and muon channels).

Uncertainty source	120–185 GeV	185–215 GeV	215–247 GeV	247–283 GeV	283–323 GeV	323–365 GeV	365–409 GeV	409–458 GeV	458–512 GeV	512–570 GeV	570–629 GeV	629–691 GeV	691–769 GeV	≥ 769 GeV
b-tagging efficiency -1σ (%)	-0.02	-0.02	-0.02	-0.03	-0.03	-0.01	0.01	0.06	0.11	0.16	0.20	0.24	0.26	0.27
b-tagging efficiency $+1\sigma$ (%)	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.01	0.00	-0.02	-0.06	-0.10	-0.14	-0.17	-0.20	-0.21	-0.22
Electron efficiency -1σ (%)	-0.23	-0.23	-0.21	-0.14	0.02	0.22	0.41	0.56	0.66	0.72	0.75	0.74	0.74	0.74
Electron efficiency $+1\sigma$ (%)	0.65	0.62	0.55	0.35	-0.07	-0.60	-1.10	-1.50	-1.78	-1.94	-1.99	-1.95	-1.89	-1.83
Jet energy resolution -1σ (%)	0.67	0.53	0.29	-0.02	-0.33	-0.60	-0.81	-0.90	-0.90	-0.80	-0.66	-0.50	-0.35	-0.21
Jet energy resolution $+1\sigma$ (%)	-3.46	-2.71	-1.41	0.16	1.72	3.01	3.88	4.29	4.32	4.08	3.66	3.21	2.76	2.44
Jet energy scale -1σ (%)	-3.16	-2.47	-1.27	0.11	1.37	2.41	3.24	3.87	4.28	4.49	4.55	4.53	4.39	4.25
Jet energy scale $+1\sigma$ (%)	-1.54	-1.00	-0.13	0.67	1.09	1.23	1.16	0.94	0.57	0.10	-0.48	-1.07	-1.60	-1.99
Muon efficiency -1σ (%)	0.02	0.01	0.00	-0.00	-0.01	-0.01	-0.02	-0.02	-0.01	-0.01	0.00	0.01	0.02	0.03
Muon efficiency $+1\sigma$ (%)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-0.00	-0.01	-0.01	-0.02	-0.03	-0.03	-0.04
PDF uncertainty -1σ (%)	0.79	0.32	0.34	0.48	0.61	0.81	0.63	0.63	0.79	1.02	1.27	1.41	1.58	1.21
PDF uncertainty $+1\sigma$ (%)	0.79	0.32	0.34	0.48	0.61	0.81	0.63	0.63	0.79	1.02	1.27	1.41	1.58	1.21
Pile-up -1σ (%)	0.05	0.02	-0.02	-0.07	-0.09	-0.07	-0.01	0.08	0.16	0.23	0.28	0.32	0.32	0.30
Pile-up $+1\sigma$ (%)	-0.13	-0.09	-0.01	0.06	0.12	0.12	0.08	0.03	-0.01	-0.05	-0.07	-0.08	-0.07	-0.04
QCD cross section $+1\sigma$ (%)	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01	-0.00	0.00	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02
QCD cross section -1σ (%)	-2.11	-1.44	-0.26	1.05	1.81	1.93	1.56	0.95	0.21	-0.54	-1.23	-1.80	-2.27	-2.63
QCD shape uncertainty (%)	0.10	0.09	0.07	0.04	-0.01	-0.08	-0.14	-0.18	-0.21	-0.24	-0.27	-0.31	-0.36	-0.41
Single top cross section $+1\sigma$ (%)	-0.00	-0.00	-0.00	-0.00	-0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01
Single top cross section -1σ (%)	-0.01	-0.01	-0.00	-0.00	0.00	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01
$t\bar{t}$ cross section $+1\sigma$ (%)	0.00	0.00	-0.00	-0.00	-0.00	-0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
$t\bar{t}$ cross section -1σ (%)	0.01	0.00	-0.00	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01	-0.00	-0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01
$t\bar{t}$ (top mass down) (%)	-0.12	0.11	-0.10	0.20	-0.01	-0.00	0.02	-0.07	-0.14	-0.11	-0.03	0.20	0.12	-0.27
$t\bar{t}$ (top mass up) (%)	0.11	0.09	-0.17	0.39	-0.46	0.40	-0.22	-0.29	0.28	-0.79	-1.67	0.18	1.16	0.21
$t\bar{t}$ (matching down) (%)	-1.21	-0.21	-0.38	0.72	0.58	0.73	0.36	1.69	0.26	-0.56	-0.08	0.14	-1.38	-3.95
$t\bar{t}$ (matching up) (%)	-1.26	-0.44	-0.01	0.88	0.14	0.23	0.33	1.21	0.43	-0.17	-0.41	-0.19	1.66	3.68
$t\bar{t}$ (Q^2 down) (%)	-7.76	-4.32	-0.85	2.30	3.62	5.13	5.49	5.26	4.81	4.33	2.72	2.50	3.04	2.12
$t\bar{t}$ (Q^2 up) (%)	5.26	2.43	-0.12	-1.07	-2.97	-3.04	-3.31	-2.32	-1.89	-2.29	-2.20	-2.36	0.53	-0.66
V+jets cross section $+1\sigma$ (%)	-0.00	-0.00	-0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02
V+jets cross section -1σ (%)	-0.01	-0.01	-0.00	-0.00	0.00	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.02	0.02	0.01	0.01	0.01
V+jets (matching down) (%)	-0.41	-0.42	-0.40	-0.26	0.04	0.41	0.76	1.03	1.21	1.31	1.37	1.39	1.42	1.44
V+jets (matching up) (%)	0.87	0.59	0.15	-0.24	-0.46	-0.54	-0.57	-0.60	-0.69	-0.80	-0.86	-0.85	-0.80	-0.74
V+jets (Q^2 down) (%)	1.19	0.79	0.14	-0.49	-0.90	-1.02	-0.92	-0.68	-0.36	0.00	0.39	0.73	1.04	1.28
V+jets (Q^2 up) (%)	-0.16	-0.21	-0.26	-0.23	-0.07	0.19	0.47	0.70	0.84	0.89	0.89	0.86	0.84	0.84
Hadronisation uncertainty (%)	35.19	12.24	3.66	11.03	12.62	13.45	11.89	10.16	8.63	9.66	7.04	5.77	5.05	1.15
Luminosity $+1\sigma$ (%)	0.02	0.01	0.01	-0.00	-0.01	-0.01	-0.02	-0.02	-0.02	-0.02	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01
Luminosity -1σ (%)	0.01	0.01	0.00	-0.00	-0.01	-0.01	-0.02	-0.02	-0.02	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01	-0.00	-0.00
$p_T(t, \bar{t})$ reweighting (%)	1.91	0.76	0.22	0.96	1.22	1.06	0.57	0.05	0.57	0.84	0.93	0.65	0.01	4.85
Total (%)	36.64	13.90	4.91	11.68	13.72	15.32	14.41	13.34	12.03	12.69	10.37	9.60	9.73	10.04

Table 8.4: Systematic uncertainties for the normalised $t\bar{t}$ cross section measurement with respect to S_T variable at a centre-of-mass energy of 7 TeV (combination of electron and muon channels).

Uncertainty source	146–277 GeV	277–319 GeV	319–361 GeV	361–408 GeV	408–459 GeV	459–514 GeV	514–573 GeV	573–637 GeV	637–705 GeV	705–774 GeV	774–854 GeV	854–940 GeV	≥ 940 GeV
b-tagging efficiency -1σ (%)	0.05	0.05	0.04	0.02	-0.03	-0.09	-0.17	-0.21	-0.20	-0.12	0.06	0.27	0.46
b-tagging efficiency $+1\sigma$ (%)	1.78	1.41	0.64	-0.26	-1.07	-1.67	-2.09	-2.43	-2.72	-2.89	-2.96	-2.93	-2.85
Electron efficiency -1σ (%)	0.33	0.27	0.13	-0.03	-0.18	-0.31	-0.42	-0.52	-0.60	-0.64	-0.61	-0.55	-0.48
Electron efficiency $+1\sigma$ (%)	1.41	1.11	0.47	-0.29	-0.97	-1.43	-1.66	-1.76	-1.79	-1.70	-1.50	-1.22	-0.96
Jet energy resolution -1σ (%)	1.17	0.96	0.54	-0.04	-0.69	-1.27	-1.69	-1.94	-2.06	-2.05	-1.94	-1.77	-1.58
Jet energy resolution $+1\sigma$ (%)	-0.06	-0.03	0.00	0.04	0.08	0.09	0.01	-0.15	-0.26	-0.22	-0.01	0.31	0.62
Jet energy scale -1σ (%)	0.38	0.26	0.04	-0.17	-0.36	-0.46	-0.42	-0.25	0.03	0.31	0.52	0.68	0.86
Jet energy scale $+1\sigma$ (%)	0.47	0.49	0.48	0.30	-0.05	-0.52	-1.13	-1.76	-2.24	-2.39	-2.22	-1.90	-1.62
Muon efficiency -1σ (%)	-0.00	-0.00	-0.00	-0.00	-0.00	-0.00	0.00	0.01	0.01	0.02	0.03	0.03	0.03
Muon efficiency $+1\sigma$ (%)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-0.00	-0.00	-0.01	-0.02	-0.03	-0.03	-0.04	-0.05
PDF uncertainty -1σ (%)	0.88	0.48	0.39	0.51	0.82	0.94	0.77	0.77	0.93	1.30	1.66	1.71	1.49
PDF uncertainty $+1\sigma$ (%)	0.88	0.48	0.39	0.51	0.82	0.94	0.77	0.77	0.93	1.30	1.66	1.71	1.49
Pile-up -1σ (%)	0.13	0.12	0.08	0.06	0.04	-0.01	-0.12	-0.31	-0.57	-0.85	-1.12	-1.35	-1.50
Pile-up $+1\sigma$ (%)	2.08	1.65	0.76	-0.31	-1.31	-2.04	-2.54	-2.90	-3.12	-3.13	-2.96	-2.68	-2.40
QCD cross section $+1\sigma$ (%)	-0.05	-0.04	-0.02	0.01	0.03	0.05	0.06	0.06	0.07	0.07	0.06	0.06	0.05
QCD cross section -1σ (%)	3.33	2.76	1.61	-0.03	-1.76	-3.31	-4.64	-5.78	-6.63	-7.10	-7.20	-7.04	-6.77
QCD shape uncertainty (%)	1.84	1.48	0.71	-0.21	-1.06	-1.73	-2.23	-2.67	-3.02	-3.26	-3.37	-3.41	-3.37
Single top cross section $+1\sigma$ (%)	1.59	1.25	0.56	-0.25	-0.99	-1.51	-1.86	-2.12	-2.31	-2.41	-2.43	-2.37	-2.27
Single top cross section -1σ (%)	1.77	1.40	0.63	-0.28	-1.11	-1.70	-2.08	-2.37	-2.57	-2.67	-2.68	-2.61	-2.50
$t\bar{t}$ cross section $+1\sigma$ (%)	1.61	1.27	0.56	-0.27	-1.02	-1.55	-1.88	-2.12	-2.29	-2.37	-2.36	-2.30	-2.19
$t\bar{t}$ cross section -1σ (%)	1.78	1.41	0.63	-0.28	-1.10	-1.70	-2.10	-2.39	-2.61	-2.73	-2.74	-2.68	-2.57
$t\bar{t}$ (top mass down) (%)	-0.13	-0.08	0.00	0.05	0.22	0.07	-0.10	-0.20	0.07	0.22	0.29	0.40	0.13
$t\bar{t}$ (top mass up) (%)	-0.35	-0.41	0.06	0.40	0.20	0.26	-0.52	0.82	-0.23	-0.41	1.44	0.97	1.00
$t\bar{t}$ (matching down) (%)	-0.85	-0.53	-0.17	0.59	0.95	0.91	0.72	0.05	-1.26	0.89	0.28	-2.05	-2.88
$t\bar{t}$ (matching up) (%)	-1.04	-0.47	0.37	0.34	0.32	0.32	0.31	0.20	0.18	1.02	0.78	1.94	2.98
$t\bar{t}$ (Q^2 down) (%)	-8.15	-4.40	0.17	3.23	4.38	5.37	5.75	4.98	3.97	4.55	3.03	2.71	2.13
$t\bar{t}$ (Q^2 up) (%)	5.43	2.06	-0.32	-2.00	-2.96	-3.20	-3.46	-2.03	-1.93	-1.14	-1.21	0.16	0.38
V+jets cross section $+1\sigma$ (%)	-0.02	-0.01	0.01	0.02	0.03	0.03	0.01	-0.02	-0.06	-0.10	-0.11	-0.12	-0.11
V+jets cross section -1σ (%)	1.61	1.27	0.57	-0.25	-0.99	-1.53	-1.89	-2.15	-2.36	-2.47	-2.49	-2.43	-2.33
V+jets (matching down) (%)	-1.03	-0.83	-0.43	0.12	0.70	1.18	1.46	1.48	1.35	1.21	1.11	1.07	1.08
V+jets (matching up) (%)	0.03	0.01	-0.04	-0.05	0.05	0.16	0.15	0.01	-0.18	-0.35	-0.48	-0.56	-0.59
V+jets (Q^2 down) (%)	-1.47	-1.21	-0.69	0.03	0.89	1.66	2.19	2.44	2.47	2.38	2.24	2.11	2.02
V+jets (Q^2 up) (%)	-1.25	-1.05	-0.63	-0.01	0.73	1.42	1.91	2.15	2.22	2.23	2.19	2.16	2.14
Hadronisation uncertainty (%)	31.86	8.22	5.00	11.50	12.05	12.01	9.33	8.68	7.20	6.45	6.24	5.07	0.42
Luminosity $+1\sigma$ (%)	1.76	1.40	0.63	-0.28	-1.09	-1.69	-2.08	-2.37	-2.58	-2.70	-2.71	-2.64	-2.53
Luminosity -1σ (%)	1.74	1.38	0.61	-0.28	-1.09	-1.67	-2.04	-2.31	-2.50	-2.60	-2.60	-2.53	-2.43
Electron energy -1σ (%)	1.65	1.30	0.58	-0.28	-1.03	-1.55	-1.89	-2.17	-2.40	-2.52	-2.53	-2.46	-2.35
Electron energy $+1\sigma$ (%)	0.33	0.27	0.15	-0.02	-0.18	-0.33	-0.47	-0.60	-0.65	-0.62	-0.52	-0.41	-0.31
Muon energy -1σ (%)	0.01	0.01	0.01	-0.00	-0.02	-0.03	-0.03	-0.02	0.00	0.03	0.06	0.08	0.11
Muon energy $+1\sigma$ (%)	0.04	0.04	0.03	0.02	-0.00	-0.03	-0.05	-0.09	-0.13	-0.19	-0.24	-0.29	-0.32
Tau energy -1σ (%)	0.90	0.73	0.38	-0.08	-0.52	-0.85	-1.09	-1.31	-1.55	-1.77	-1.89	-1.87	-1.80
Tau energy $+1\sigma$ (%)	1.35	1.04	0.37	-0.40	-1.03	-1.38	-1.47	-1.44	-1.29	-1.02	-0.69	-0.39	-0.15
Unclustered energy -1σ (%)	0.21	0.18	0.08	-0.03	-0.14	-0.18	-0.20	-0.24	-0.33	-0.44	-0.55	-0.64	-0.68
Unclustered energy $+1\sigma$ (%)	0.66	0.55	0.31	-0.02	-0.35	-0.65	-0.91	-1.17	-1.38	-1.46	-1.35	-1.14	-0.92
$p_T(t, \bar{t})$ reweighting (%)	2.98	1.24	0.20	1.25	1.67	1.61	1.32	0.88	0.53	0.21	0.24	1.29	6.80
Total (%)	33.95	11.40	6.31	12.31	13.90	15.22	14.45	14.82	14.64	15.11	14.87	14.42	14.91

Table 8.5: Systematic uncertainties for the normalised $t\bar{t}$ cross section measurement with respect to p_T^W variable at a centre-of-mass energy of 7 TeV (combination of electron and muon channels).

Uncertainty source	0--27 GeV	27--52 GeV	52--78 GeV	78--105 GeV	105--134 GeV	134--166 GeV	166--200 GeV	200--237 GeV	≥ 237 GeV
b-tagging efficiency -1σ (%)	0.06	0.05	0.03	-0.01	-0.06	-0.09	-0.12	-0.14	-0.16
b-tagging efficiency $+1\sigma$ (%)	-0.23	-0.20	-0.09	0.06	0.21	0.32	0.40	0.45	0.48
Electron efficiency -1σ (%)	-0.02	-0.02	-0.01	0.01	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.01	0.01
Electron efficiency $+1\sigma$ (%)	-1.13	-0.63	-0.10	0.26	0.54	0.85	1.22	1.56	1.80
Jet energy resolution -1σ (%)	0.39	0.21	-0.07	-0.30	-0.37	-0.12	0.39	0.96	1.44
Jet energy resolution $+1\sigma$ (%)	0.56	0.40	0.07	-0.23	-0.44	-0.48	-0.43	-0.35	-0.31
Jet energy scale -1σ (%)	0.29	-0.02	-0.31	-0.31	-0.02	0.46	1.02	1.51	1.82
Jet energy scale $+1\sigma$ (%)	0.60	0.85	0.76	0.10	-0.90	-1.93	-2.81	-3.38	-3.63
Muon efficiency -1σ (%)	-0.00	-0.00	-0.00	-0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.02	0.02
Muon efficiency $+1\sigma$ (%)	0.01	0.01	0.00	-0.00	-0.01	-0.01	-0.02	-0.02	-0.03
PDF uncertainty -1σ (%)	1.07	0.63	0.10	0.45	0.38	0.96	1.15	1.38	1.25
PDF uncertainty $+1\sigma$ (%)	1.07	0.63	0.10	0.45	0.38	0.96	1.15	1.38	1.25
Pile-up -1σ (%)	-0.65	-0.45	-0.14	0.18	0.47	0.70	0.82	0.84	0.82
Pile-up $+1\sigma$ (%)	-0.32	-0.17	0.01	0.10	0.12	0.14	0.23	0.36	0.45
QCD cross section $+1\sigma$ (%)	0.07	0.07	0.06	-0.01	-0.09	-0.16	-0.20	-0.22	-0.23
QCD cross section -1σ (%)	1.89	1.43	0.39	-0.79	-1.56	-1.86	-1.81	-1.61	-1.42
QCD shape uncertainty (%)	0.05	0.05	0.04	0.02	-0.03	-0.11	-0.20	-0.28	-0.34
Single top cross section $+1\sigma$ (%)	0.02	0.01	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01	-0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01
Single top cross section -1σ (%)	0.19	0.13	0.03	-0.08	-0.14	-0.17	-0.17	-0.16	-0.15
$t\bar{t}$ cross section $+1\sigma$ (%)	-0.58	-0.20	0.23	0.38	0.27	-0.08	-0.60	-1.12	-1.51
$t\bar{t}$ cross section -1σ (%)	0.02	0.02	0.01	-0.01	-0.02	-0.03	-0.03	-0.03	-0.03
$t\bar{t}$ (top mass down) (%)	-0.09	-0.14	0.04	-0.03	0.07	0.29	0.09	0.15	0.24
$t\bar{t}$ (top mass up) (%)	0.26	-0.14	-0.02	-0.30	0.42	0.08	-0.36	-0.25	1.83
$t\bar{t}$ (matching down) (%)	0.45	0.44	0.22	-0.45	-0.75	-0.62	0.59	0.27	0.48
$t\bar{t}$ (matching up) (%)	-0.12	-0.11	0.02	-0.15	0.17	0.18	-0.13	0.96	1.12
$t\bar{t}$ (Q^2 down) (%)	0.33	-0.15	-0.06	-0.53	0.20	0.71	0.47	0.85	1.04
$t\bar{t}$ (Q^2 up) (%)	-0.13	-0.58	0.09	0.22	0.15	0.03	0.32	1.43	1.25
V+jets cross section $+1\sigma$ (%)	0.02	0.02	0.00	-0.01	-0.02	-0.02	-0.03	-0.03	-0.03
V+jets cross section -1σ (%)	0.03	0.02	0.01	-0.01	-0.02	-0.03	-0.04	-0.04	-0.04
V+jets (matching down) (%)	0.02	-0.02	-0.02	0.02	0.08	0.07	-0.04	-0.22	-0.39
V+jets (matching up) (%)	0.45	0.28	0.08	-0.07	-0.20	-0.39	-0.69	-1.00	-1.25
V+jets (Q^2 down) (%)	-0.03	-0.13	-0.17	-0.01	0.23	0.39	0.37	0.26	0.14
V+jets (Q^2 up) (%)	0.32	0.20	0.04	-0.11	-0.26	-0.34	-0.22	-0.02	0.18
Hadronisation uncertainty (%)	3.13	2.89	2.04	1.02	3.75	5.46	6.72	7.62	9.73
Luminosity $+1\sigma$ (%)	0.01	0.01	0.00	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01
Luminosity -1σ (%)	0.03	0.02	0.00	-0.01	-0.02	-0.02	-0.03	-0.02	-0.02
Electron energy -1σ (%)	-0.55	-0.39	-0.14	0.11	0.35	0.59	0.85	1.11	1.33
Electron energy $+1\sigma$ (%)	0.37	0.24	0.06	-0.07	-0.17	-0.32	-0.53	-0.83	-1.13
Muon energy -1σ (%)	-0.14	-0.12	-0.07	0.01	0.12	0.23	0.32	0.40	0.48
Muon energy $+1\sigma$ (%)	0.19	0.13	0.03	-0.06	-0.14	-0.18	-0.19	-0.18	-0.16
Tau energy -1σ (%)	3.55	2.62	0.97	-0.88	-2.56	-3.95	-5.15	-6.36	-7.53
Tau energy $+1\sigma$ (%)	-0.74	-0.87	-0.91	-0.48	0.58	2.25	4.31	6.20	7.54
Unclustered energy -1σ (%)	2.37	1.57	0.30	-0.83	-1.64	-2.07	-2.17	-2.03	-1.76
Unclustered energy $+1\sigma$ (%)	-0.44	-0.32	-0.11	0.14	0.36	0.47	0.53	0.52	0.40
$p_T(t, \bar{t})$ reweighting (%)	1.10	0.14	0.75	0.22	0.10	0.07	0.21	0.20	5.96
Total (%)	6.76	5.23	3.23	2.88	5.74	8.13	9.98	11.82	15.61

Table 8.6: Systematic uncertainties for the normalised $t\bar{t}$ cross section measurement with respect to M_T^W variable at a centre-of-mass energy of 7 TeV (combination of electron and muon channels).

Uncertainty source	0--23 GeV	23--58 GeV	≥ 58 GeV
b-tagging efficiency -1σ (%)	0.08	0.03	-0.03
b-tagging efficiency $+1\sigma$ (%)	-0.06	-0.02	0.02
Electron efficiency -1σ (%)	0.01	0.00	-0.00
Electron efficiency $+1\sigma$ (%)	-0.68	-0.27	0.27
Jet energy resolution -1σ (%)	-0.58	-0.19	0.21
Jet energy resolution $+1\sigma$ (%)	-0.47	-0.00	0.09
Jet energy scale -1σ (%)	-1.48	-0.44	0.50
Jet energy scale $+1\sigma$ (%)	-1.13	-0.39	0.41
Muon efficiency -1σ (%)	0.02	0.01	-0.01
Muon efficiency $+1\sigma$ (%)	-0.02	-0.01	0.01
PDF uncertainty -1σ (%)	1.23	0.82	0.64
PDF uncertainty $+1\sigma$ (%)	1.23	0.82	0.64
Pile-up -1σ (%)	-0.36	-0.08	0.11
Pile-up $+1\sigma$ (%)	-0.00	-0.03	0.02
QCD cross section $+1\sigma$ (%)	0.00	0.00	-0.00
QCD cross section -1σ (%)	-0.41	-0.14	0.15
QCD shape uncertainty (%)	-0.15	-0.05	0.06
Single top cross section $+1\sigma$ (%)	0.01	0.00	-0.00
Single top cross section -1σ (%)	0.01	0.00	-0.00
$t\bar{t}$ cross section $+1\sigma$ (%)	0.00	0.00	-0.00
$t\bar{t}$ cross section -1σ (%)	0.01	0.00	-0.00
$t\bar{t}$ (top mass down) (%)	0.00	0.06	-0.03
$t\bar{t}$ (top mass up) (%)	-0.32	0.21	-0.04
$t\bar{t}$ (matching down) (%)	-0.95	0.02	0.17
$t\bar{t}$ (matching up) (%)	-0.29	0.31	-0.10
$t\bar{t}$ (Q^2 down) (%)	0.40	0.47	-0.31
$t\bar{t}$ (Q^2 up) (%)	-1.25	-0.00	0.24
V+jets cross section $+1\sigma$ (%)	0.00	-0.00	-0.00
V+jets cross section -1σ (%)	0.01	0.00	-0.00
V+jets (matching down) (%)	1.19	0.45	-0.45
V+jets (matching up) (%)	-0.49	-0.17	0.18
V+jets (Q^2 down) (%)	1.74	0.67	-0.67
V+jets (Q^2 up) (%)	1.65	0.69	-0.66
Hadronisation uncertainty (%)	1.88	1.10	0.91
Luminosity $+1\sigma$ (%)	0.01	0.00	-0.00
Luminosity -1σ (%)	0.00	0.00	-0.00
Electron energy -1σ (%)	1.20	0.52	-0.49
Electron energy $+1\sigma$ (%)	-0.78	-0.38	0.34
Muon energy -1σ (%)	0.05	0.03	-0.03
Muon energy $+1\sigma$ (%)	-0.17	-0.07	0.07
Tau energy -1σ (%)	-1.92	-0.64	0.69
Tau energy $+1\sigma$ (%)	0.67	0.18	-0.22
Unclustered energy -1σ (%)	-0.32	-0.24	0.18
Unclustered energy $+1\sigma$ (%)	1.32	0.38	-0.44
$p_T(t, \bar{t})$ reweighting (%)	123	0.76	0.42
Total (%)		5.85	2.94
			2.13

Table 8.7: Systematic uncertainties for the normalised $t\bar{t}$ cross section measurement with respect to E_T^{miss} variable at a centre-of-mass energy of 8 TeV (combination of electron and muon channels).

Uncertainty source	0--27 GeV	27--52 GeV	52--87 GeV	87--130 GeV	130--172 GeV	≥ 172 GeV
b-tagging efficiency -1σ (%)	0.07	0.03	-0.03	-0.07	-0.06	-0.02
b-tagging efficiency $+1\sigma$ (%)	-0.32	-0.16	0.18	0.40	0.24	-0.16
Electron efficiency -1σ (%)	-0.03	-0.02	0.02	0.03	0.03	0.04
Electron efficiency $+1\sigma$ (%)	-0.19	-0.10	0.10	0.21	0.23	0.21
Jet energy resolution -1σ (%)	0.13	-0.12	-0.13	0.19	0.59	0.92
Jet energy resolution $+1\sigma$ (%)	-0.26	-0.07	0.11	0.12	0.30	0.75
Jet energy scale -1σ (%)	-0.11	-0.55	-0.17	0.99	2.26	3.43
Jet energy scale $+1\sigma$ (%)	0.09	0.12	0.01	-0.33	-0.44	-0.14
Muon efficiency -1σ (%)	0.01	0.00	-0.01	-0.01	0.02	0.06
Muon efficiency $+1\sigma$ (%)	-0.01	-0.00	0.01	0.01	-0.02	-0.06
PDF uncertainty -1σ (%)	0.56	0.19	0.24	0.43	0.82	0.75
PDF uncertainty $+1\sigma$ (%)	0.56	0.19	0.24	0.43	0.82	0.75
Pile-up -1σ (%)	-0.18	-0.13	0.10	0.26	0.27	0.26
Pile-up $+1\sigma$ (%)	0.09	0.05	-0.08	-0.21	0.16	0.81
QCD cross section $+1\sigma$ (%)	0.00	0.00	-0.00	-0.00	-0.00	-0.00
QCD cross section -1σ (%)	-3.01	-1.88	0.51	3.62	9.03	15.97
QCD shape uncertainty (%)	0.23	0.06	-0.11	-0.21	-0.12	0.06
Single top cross section $+1\sigma$ (%)	-0.00	-0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-0.00
Single top cross section -1σ (%)	0.00	0.00	-0.00	-0.00	-0.00	0.00
$t\bar{t}$ cross section $+1\sigma$ (%)	-0.00	-0.00	0.00	0.00	-0.00	-0.01
$t\bar{t}$ cross section -1σ (%)	0.00	0.00	-0.00	-0.00	-0.00	0.01
$t\bar{t}$ (top mass down) (%)	-0.39	-0.03	0.08	0.26	0.41	0.43
$t\bar{t}$ (top mass up) (%)	0.38	-0.07	-0.26	-0.10	0.95	1.16
$t\bar{t}$ (matching down) (%)	0.82	0.03	-0.40	0.05	-0.64	-1.31
$t\bar{t}$ (matching up) (%)	-0.85	-0.61	0.04	1.90	2.35	1.39
$t\bar{t}$ (Q^2 down) (%)	7.37	2.72	-2.98	-6.29	-9.25	-12.96
$t\bar{t}$ (Q^2 up) (%)	-0.15	-0.19	-0.06	0.41	0.64	2.22
V+jets cross section $+1\sigma$ (%)	0.00	0.00	0.00	-0.00	-0.00	-0.01
V+jets cross section -1σ (%)	0.00	0.00	-0.00	-0.00	0.00	0.01
V+jets (matching down) (%)	-0.99	-0.55	0.45	1.28	1.36	1.03
V+jets (matching up) (%)	-0.26	-0.27	0.22	0.51	0.21	-0.32
V+jets (Q^2 down) (%)	-1.21	-0.48	0.62	1.18	0.89	0.29
V+jets (Q^2 up) (%)	-0.92	-0.44	0.45	1.04	0.92	0.60
Hadronisation uncertainty (%)	3.30	2.19	0.93	5.16	7.94	11.30
Luminosity $+1\sigma$ (%)	0.00	0.00	-0.00	-0.00	0.00	0.01
Luminosity -1σ (%)	-0.00	-0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.01
Electron energy -1σ (%)	-0.15	-0.17	0.03	0.32	0.62	0.87
Electron energy $+1\sigma$ (%)	-0.07	0.00	0.08	-0.03	-0.12	-0.19
Muon energy -1σ (%)	0.05	-0.01	-0.05	0.00	0.11	0.24
Muon energy $+1\sigma$ (%)	-0.05	0.01	0.03	0.01	-0.07	-0.16
Tau energy -1σ (%)	2.14	1.05	-0.65	-2.37	-4.18	-6.05
Tau energy $+1\sigma$ (%)	-2.13	-1.33	0.54	2.86	5.28	7.44
Unclustered energy -1σ (%)	1.22	0.48	-0.43	-1.24	-1.75	-1.94
Unclustered energy $+1\sigma$ (%)	-1.13	-0.55	0.40	1.22	1.93	2.65
$p_T(t, \bar{t})$ reweighting (%)	0.86	0.69	0.74	0.79	2.55	7.89
Total (%)	9.34	4.48	3.63	9.90	16.86	26.54

Table 8.8: Systematic uncertainties for the normalised $t\bar{t}$ cross section measurement with respect to H_T variable at a centre-of-mass energy of 8 TeV (combination of electron and muon channels).

Uncertainty source	120–185 GeV	185–215 GeV	215–247 GeV	247–283 GeV	283–323 GeV	323–365 GeV	365–409 GeV	409–458 GeV	458–512 GeV	512–570 GeV	570–629 GeV	629–691 GeV	691–769 GeV	≥ 769 GeV
b-tagging efficiency -1σ (%)	0.02	0.01	0.01	0.00	-0.00	-0.01	-0.03	-0.03	-0.03	-0.02	-0.01	0.01	0.02	0.03
b-tagging efficiency $+1\sigma$ (%)	-0.03	-0.02	-0.01	-0.00	0.01	0.03	0.04	0.04	0.03	0.02	0.00	-0.02	-0.04	-0.06
Electron efficiency -1σ (%)	-0.00	-0.00	-0.00	-0.00	-0.00	-0.00	0.00	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.02	0.02	0.02
Electron efficiency $+1\sigma$ (%)	-0.07	-0.07	-0.07	-0.06	-0.02	0.04	0.10	0.15	0.19	0.21	0.23	0.24	0.24	0.24
Jet energy resolution -1σ (%)	-0.25	-0.26	-0.26	-0.24	-0.07	0.14	0.34	0.51	0.64	0.77	0.90	1.03	1.14	1.23
Jet energy resolution $+1\sigma$ (%)	0.01	0.00	-0.01	0.01	0.07	0.11	0.08	0.00	-0.09	-0.18	-0.28	-0.39	-0.48	-0.54
Jet energy scale -1σ (%)	-1.44	-1.26	-0.89	-0.39	0.22	0.85	1.43	1.92	2.32	2.51	2.55	2.46	2.33	2.23
Jet energy scale $+1\sigma$ (%)	-0.16	-0.12	-0.03	0.08	0.27	0.39	0.36	0.18	-0.09	-0.44	-0.84	-1.27	-1.63	-1.89
Muon efficiency -1σ (%)	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01	-0.00	0.01	0.01	0.02	0.03	0.03	0.04	0.05	0.05	0.06
Muon efficiency $+1\sigma$ (%)	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.00	-0.01	-0.01	-0.02	-0.02	-0.03	-0.03	-0.04	-0.05	-0.05
PDF uncertainty -1σ (%)	0.44	0.39	0.32	0.28	0.24	0.18	0.34	0.56	0.80	1.25	1.54	1.88	2.04	0.90
PDF uncertainty $+1\sigma$ (%)	0.44	0.39	0.32	0.28	0.24	0.18	0.34	0.56	0.80	1.25	1.54	1.88	2.04	0.90
Pile-up -1σ (%)	-0.16	-0.19	-0.23	-0.25	-0.14	0.05	0.28	0.50	0.67	0.80	0.89	0.95	0.99	1.01
Pile-up $+1\sigma$ (%)	-0.05	-0.03	0.01	0.04	0.06	0.05	0.02	-0.02	-0.07	-0.10	-0.12	-0.13	-0.14	-0.13
QCD cross section $+1\sigma$ (%)	-0.00	-0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-0.00	-0.00	-0.00	-0.00	-0.00	-0.00	-0.00	-0.00
QCD cross section -1σ (%)	-9.85	-8.55	-5.96	-2.33	1.73	5.53	8.64	11.32	13.74	16.10	18.38	20.52	22.45	23.93
QCD shape uncertainty (%)	-0.30	-0.25	-0.16	-0.03	0.12	0.24	0.31	0.34	0.33	0.30	0.24	0.18	0.12	0.08
Single top cross section $+1\sigma$ (%)	-0.00	-0.00	-0.00	-0.00	-0.00	-0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.01	0.01
Single top cross section -1σ (%)	-0.00	-0.00	-0.00	-0.00	-0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
$t\bar{t}$ cross section $+1\sigma$ (%)	-0.00	-0.00	-0.00	-0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-0.00	-0.00	-0.00
$t\bar{t}$ cross section -1σ (%)	0.00	0.00	0.00	-0.00	-0.00	-0.00	-0.00	-0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01
$t\bar{t}$ (top mass down) (%)	1.77	0.19	-0.43	-0.62	-0.43	-0.42	-0.30	0.10	0.09	0.28	0.13	0.53	-0.23	-2.44
$t\bar{t}$ (top mass up) (%)	-2.31	-0.86	0.63	0.67	1.08	0.59	0.38	1.12	0.91	0.95	0.15	0.97	-1.20	-7.22
$t\bar{t}$ (matching down) (%)	3.57	2.12	1.35	-0.21	-1.28	-1.77	-2.77	-3.35	-2.60	-1.40	-3.25	-2.09	-4.27	-2.79
$t\bar{t}$ (matching up) (%)	-1.44	-1.23	0.03	0.29	0.99	0.68	0.49	0.44	1.02	0.71	0.15	1.82	-0.24	0.33
$t\bar{t}$ (Q^2 down) (%)	-8.03	-4.88	-1.11	1.79	4.07	4.25	4.15	4.75	4.11	3.18	1.90	1.46	0.11	-1.91
$t\bar{t}$ (Q^2 up) (%)	4.85	2.57	0.87	-0.84	-1.74	-2.27	-2.39	-3.21	-2.55	-3.36	-4.11	-0.72	-1.09	-1.72
V+jets cross section $+1\sigma$ (%)	-0.00	-0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-0.00	-0.00	-0.00	-0.00	-0.00	-0.00	0.00	0.00
V+jets cross section -1σ (%)	-0.00	-0.00	-0.00	-0.00	-0.00	-0.00	-0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.02
V+jets (matching down) (%)	-1.15	-1.05	-0.83	-0.50	0.01	0.62	1.24	1.79	2.23	2.51	2.64	2.67	2.64	2.61
V+jets (matching up) (%)	-0.44	-0.40	-0.33	-0.20	0.08	0.41	0.69	0.81	0.78	0.64	0.45	0.26	0.11	0.01
V+jets (Q^2 down) (%)	-0.73	-0.68	-0.58	-0.41	-0.07	0.39	0.86	1.25	1.55	1.76	1.88	1.95	1.99	2.00
V+jets (Q^2 up) (%)	-1.02	-0.95	-0.77	-0.50	-0.04	0.52	1.11	1.65	2.10	2.43	2.60	2.64	2.62	2.59
Hadronisation uncertainty (%)	1.13	2.96	3.29	2.32	0.27	1.74	3.66	5.46	6.60	7.17	7.54	7.48	7.96	9.89
Luminosity $+1\sigma$ (%)	0.00	0.00	-0.00	-0.00	-0.00	-0.00	-0.00	-0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.01	0.01
Luminosity -1σ (%)	-0.00	-0.00	-0.00	-0.00	-0.00	-0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
$p_T(t, \bar{t})$ reweighting (%)	0.51	0.29	0.55	0.57	0.37	0.06	0.46	1.00	1.36	1.65	1.68	1.76	1.03	3.59
Total (%)	14.15	10.65	7.31	4.09	4.77	7.42	10.63	14.02	16.53	18.81	21.32	22.81	24.91	27.17

Table 8.9: Systematic uncertainties for the normalised $t\bar{t}$ cross section measurement with respect to S_T variable at a centre-of-mass energy of 8 TeV (combination of electron and muon channels).

Uncertainty source	146–277 GeV	277–319 GeV	319–361 GeV	361–408 GeV	408–459 GeV	459–514 GeV	514–573 GeV	573–637 GeV	637–705 GeV	705–774 GeV	774–854 GeV	854–940 GeV	≥ 940 GeV
b-tagging efficiency -1σ (%)	0.07	0.07	0.06	0.02	-0.03	-0.07	-0.10	-0.13	-0.16	-0.18	-0.20	-0.23	-0.25
b-tagging efficiency $+1\sigma$ (%)	-0.04	-0.05	-0.04	-0.02	0.01	0.04	0.07	0.10	0.12	0.13	0.15	0.16	0.18
Electron efficiency -1σ (%)	0.02	0.02	0.00	-0.02	-0.02	-0.02	-0.01	0.00	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01
Electron efficiency $+1\sigma$ (%)	-0.01	-0.00	0.01	0.02	0.02	0.00	-0.02	-0.03	-0.04	-0.04	-0.04	-0.04	-0.04
Jet energy resolution -1σ (%)	0.67	0.52	0.26	0.01	-0.28	-0.60	-0.85	-1.00	-1.02	-0.79	-0.38	0.15	0.59
Jet energy resolution $+1\sigma$ (%)	-0.21	-0.10	0.07	0.09	-0.01	-0.08	0.01	0.23	0.44	0.45	0.29	0.00	-0.26
Jet energy scale -1σ (%)	-0.91	-0.91	-0.85	-0.47	0.23	0.80	1.38	2.07	2.58	3.02	3.15	3.02	3.01
Jet energy scale $+1\sigma$ (%)	0.56	0.38	0.14	-0.02	-0.17	-0.39	-0.49	-0.43	-0.42	-0.58	-0.82	-1.21	-1.59
Muon efficiency -1σ (%)	0.01	0.01	0.00	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01	-0.00	0.01	0.03	0.05	0.06	0.08
Muon efficiency $+1\sigma$ (%)	-0.01	-0.00	-0.00	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	-0.00	-0.01	-0.03	-0.04	-0.05	-0.07
PDF uncertainty -1σ (%)	0.48	0.45	0.33	0.18	0.16	0.35	0.52	0.69	0.91	1.26	1.78	2.30	1.63
PDF uncertainty $+1\sigma$ (%)	0.48	0.45	0.33	0.18	0.16	0.35	0.52	0.69	0.91	1.26	1.78	2.30	1.63
Pile-up -1σ (%)	0.19	0.10	-0.04	-0.14	-0.14	-0.06	0.02	0.08	0.13	0.06	-0.03	-0.05	-0.01
Pile-up $+1\sigma$ (%)	-0.21	-0.12	0.01	0.13	0.16	0.10	0.02	-0.04	-0.07	-0.01	0.08	0.10	0.05
QCD cross section $+1\sigma$ (%)	0.01	0.01	0.01	-0.00	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01	-0.02
QCD cross section -1σ (%)	-8.32	-6.90	-3.94	0.27	4.51	6.54	7.71	9.02	10.32	11.47	12.64	14.05	15.46
QCD shape uncertainty (%)	0.22	0.17	0.03	-0.13	-0.14	-0.08	-0.02	0.01	-0.04	-0.18	-0.35	-0.53	-0.65
Single top cross section $+1\sigma$ (%)	0.00	0.00	0.00	-0.00	-0.00	-0.00	-0.00	-0.00	-0.00	-0.00	-0.00	-0.00	-0.01
Single top cross section -1σ (%)	0.01	0.01	0.01	-0.00	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01
$t\bar{t}$ cross section $+1\sigma$ (%)	0.01	0.01	0.01	-0.00	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01
$t\bar{t}$ cross section -1σ (%)	0.01	0.01	0.01	-0.00	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01
$t\bar{t}$ (top mass down) (%)	1.16	-0.36	-0.57	-0.25	0.10	-0.10	0.06	-0.10	0.03	0.25	0.36	0.98	-0.29
$t\bar{t}$ (top mass up) (%)	-1.24	0.42	1.19	0.72	0.15	-0.72	-0.52	-1.13	-0.59	-1.08	-0.55	1.87	-2.84
$t\bar{t}$ (matching down) (%)	2.65	1.73	0.72	-0.11	-1.26	-1.92	-2.13	-2.45	-1.81	-1.99	-4.58	-3.05	-3.50
$t\bar{t}$ (matching up) (%)	-1.70	-0.94	0.44	0.90	0.84	0.21	0.08	-0.35	0.56	0.21	1.10	2.64	2.22
$t\bar{t}$ (Q^2 down) (%)	-4.81	-1.10	1.28	2.06	2.11	0.85	1.36	-0.04	0.40	-1.64	-1.03	-0.82	-2.31
$t\bar{t}$ (Q^2 up) (%)	3.15	0.90	-0.14	-0.70	-0.85	-1.61	-0.82	-2.11	-1.55	-0.80	-2.32	-0.56	0.45
V+jets cross section $+1\sigma$ (%)	0.01	0.01	0.01	-0.00	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01
V+jets cross section -1σ (%)	0.01	0.01	0.01	-0.00	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01
V+jets (matching down) (%)	-0.78	-0.83	-0.84	-0.52	0.23	1.09	1.69	1.98	2.04	1.99	1.88	1.79	1.73
V+jets (matching up) (%)	-0.88	-0.86	-0.74	-0.25	0.62	1.37	1.66	1.57	1.24	0.82	0.41	0.09	-0.12
V+jets (Q^2 down) (%)	-0.90	-0.91	-0.84	-0.44	0.37	1.22	1.76	1.95	1.91	1.79	1.63	1.53	1.54
V+jets (Q^2 up) (%)	-0.85	-0.88	-0.84	-0.47	0.27	1.06	1.58	1.86	2.01	2.14	2.30	2.49	2.66
Hadronisation uncertainty (%)	5.03	5.37	3.73	0.73	2.38	5.73	8.74	9.40	10.10	10.95	8.49	7.15	8.22
Luminosity $+1\sigma$ (%)	0.01	0.01	0.01	-0.00	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01	-0.02
Luminosity -1σ (%)	0.01	0.01	0.01	-0.00	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01
Electron energy -1σ (%)	0.16	0.10	-0.00	-0.08	-0.12	-0.12	-0.06	0.02	0.07	0.06	0.01	-0.08	-0.15
Electron energy $+1\sigma$ (%)	0.00	0.03	0.06	0.04	-0.02	-0.05	-0.03	-0.03	-0.07	-0.12	-0.15	-0.16	-0.16
Muon energy -1σ (%)	0.09	0.06	0.00	-0.05	-0.06	-0.06	-0.04	-0.01	0.00	-0.01	-0.01	0.01	0.03
Muon energy $+1\sigma$ (%)	0.05	0.05	0.03	0.00	-0.03	-0.05	-0.07	-0.07	-0.06	-0.04	-0.05	-0.08	-0.11
Tau energy -1σ (%)	0.94	0.74	0.39	-0.04	-0.42	-0.72	-0.91	-1.05	-1.18	-1.28	-1.29	-1.29	-1.23
Tau energy $+1\sigma$ (%)	-0.62	-0.51	-0.29	-0.05	0.18	0.42	0.64	0.84	1.01	1.14	1.33	1.49	1.53
Unclustered energy -1σ (%)	0.34	0.32	0.25	0.07	-0.18	-0.38	-0.48	-0.52	-0.56	-0.60	-0.60	-0.58	-0.58
Unclustered energy $+1\sigma$ (%)	0.13	0.04	-0.09	-0.18	-0.16	-0.07	0.05	0.19	0.31	0.42	0.54	0.57	0.55
$p_T(t, \bar{t})$ reweighting (%)	0.53	0.43	0.49	0.22	0.08	0.30	0.46	0.62	0.68	0.81	1.10	1.14	4.18
Total (%)	11.89	9.38	6.23	2.90	5.78	9.51	12.54	14.23	15.49	16.96	17.06	17.45	19.37

Table 8.10: Systematic uncertainties for the normalised $t\bar{t}$ cross section measurement with respect to p_T^W variable at a centre-of-mass energy of 8 TeV (combination of electron and muon channels).

Uncertainty source	0–27 GeV	27–52 GeV	52–78 GeV	78–105 GeV	105–134 GeV	134–166 GeV	166–200 GeV	200–237 GeV	≥ 237 GeV
b-tagging efficiency -1σ (%)	0.08	0.06	0.03	-0.01	-0.05	-0.11	-0.17	-0.24	-0.30
b-tagging efficiency $+1\sigma$ (%)	-0.11	-0.09	-0.04	0.02	0.08	0.14	0.20	0.24	0.27
Electron efficiency -1σ (%)	0.01	0.00	-0.01	-0.01	-0.00	0.01	0.02	0.02	0.02
Electron efficiency $+1\sigma$ (%)	-0.86	-0.62	-0.13	0.39	0.69	0.75	0.67	0.51	0.34
Jet energy resolution -1σ (%)	0.40	0.24	-0.01	-0.19	-0.23	-0.19	-0.16	-0.18	-0.25
Jet energy resolution $+1\sigma$ (%)	-0.29	-0.17	-0.00	0.11	0.21	0.27	0.17	-0.06	-0.32
Jet energy scale -1σ (%)	-0.27	-0.32	-0.34	-0.22	0.13	0.79	1.73	2.61	3.18
Jet energy scale $+1\sigma$ (%)	-0.49	-0.33	-0.02	0.29	0.45	0.33	0.04	-0.26	-0.46
Muon efficiency -1σ (%)	-0.02	-0.01	-0.01	-0.00	0.01	0.03	0.05	0.08	0.10
Muon efficiency $+1\sigma$ (%)	0.02	0.02	0.01	0.00	-0.01	-0.03	-0.06	-0.09	-0.12
PDF uncertainty -1σ (%)	0.50	0.25	0.22	0.10	0.30	0.48	0.78	1.07	0.69
PDF uncertainty $+1\sigma$ (%)	0.50	0.25	0.22	0.10	0.30	0.48	0.78	1.07	0.69
Pile-up -1σ (%)	-0.81	-0.58	-0.13	0.34	0.64	0.76	0.73	0.58	0.39
Pile-up $+1\sigma$ (%)	0.18	0.10	0.01	-0.04	-0.06	-0.10	-0.21	-0.34	-0.46
QCD cross section $+1\sigma$ (%)	0.00	0.00	-0.00	-0.00	-0.00	-0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
QCD cross section -1σ (%)	-8.07	-6.29	-2.55	2.08	5.76	9.14	12.84	16.68	20.00
QCD shape uncertainty (%)	-0.15	-0.11	-0.03	0.04	0.12	0.17	0.18	0.17	0.15
Single top cross section $+1\sigma$ (%)	0.00	0.00	0.00	-0.00	-0.00	-0.00	-0.00	-0.00	-0.00
Single top cross section -1σ (%)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-0.00	-0.00	-0.00	-0.01	-0.00
$t\bar{t}$ cross section $+1\sigma$ (%)	-0.00	-0.00	-0.00	0.00	0.00	0.01	0.00	-0.00	-0.01
$t\bar{t}$ cross section -1σ (%)	0.00	0.00	0.00	-0.00	-0.00	-0.00	-0.00	-0.00	-0.00
$t\bar{t}$ (top mass down) (%)	0.03	-0.06	-0.09	0.02	-0.01	0.10	0.39	0.29	0.32
$t\bar{t}$ (top mass up) (%)	-0.76	-0.47	0.03	0.41	-0.15	0.54	1.14	0.92	1.05
$t\bar{t}$ (matching down) (%)	-0.13	0.18	0.04	0.40	-0.27	-0.77	0.01	-0.38	-1.15
$t\bar{t}$ (matching up) (%)	-0.33	-0.70	-0.64	0.64	0.61	0.47	1.87	0.96	1.83
$t\bar{t}$ (Q^2 down) (%)	3.11	2.81	0.99	-0.36	-2.53	-4.09	-6.03	-8.38	-9.23
$t\bar{t}$ (Q^2 up) (%)	-0.24	-0.01	-0.00	0.41	-0.35	-0.57	0.08	0.54	1.39
V+jets cross section $+1\sigma$ (%)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-0.00	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01
V+jets cross section -1σ (%)	0.00	0.00	0.00	-0.00	-0.00	-0.00	-0.00	-0.00	-0.00
V+jets (matching down) (%)	-0.24	-0.36	-0.32	0.07	0.61	0.89	0.75	0.30	-0.22
V+jets (matching up) (%)	-0.25	-0.29	-0.20	0.13	0.55	0.69	0.36	-0.28	-0.94
V+jets (Q^2 down) (%)	-0.33	-0.40	-0.32	0.08	0.62	0.94	0.84	0.45	0.01
V+jets (Q^2 up) (%)	-0.10	-0.27	-0.34	-0.02	0.49	0.81	0.76	0.47	0.14
Hadronisation uncertainty (%)	2.30	2.79	1.98	0.75	3.06	4.92	5.97	7.85	10.28
Luminosity $+1\sigma$ (%)	-0.00	-0.00	-0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-0.00	-0.01
Luminosity -1σ (%)	0.00	0.00	0.00	-0.00	-0.00	-0.00	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01
Electron energy -1σ (%)	-0.71	-0.52	-0.15	0.26	0.59	0.75	0.74	0.65	0.56
Electron energy $+1\sigma$ (%)	0.36	0.26	0.10	-0.08	-0.26	-0.42	-0.53	-0.63	-0.71
Muon energy -1σ (%)	0.02	0.02	0.01	-0.01	0.00	0.01	-0.05	-0.15	-0.25
Muon energy $+1\sigma$ (%)	0.18	0.14	0.04	-0.05	-0.11	-0.16	-0.25	-0.39	-0.54
Tau energy -1σ (%)	2.06	1.59	0.74	-0.28	-1.39	-2.63	-3.95	-5.19	-6.19
Tau energy $+1\sigma$ (%)	-1.12	-0.99	-0.70	-0.11	0.81	1.99	3.27	4.55	5.64
Unclustered energy -1σ (%)	1.05	0.79	0.32	-0.24	-0.78	-1.27	-1.67	-1.93	-2.05
Unclustered energy $+1\sigma$ (%)	-0.55	-0.44	-0.25	0.07	0.48	0.86	1.09	1.19	1.23
$p_T(t, \bar{t})$ reweighting (%)	0.51	0.34	0.65	0.11	0.40	0.45	0.26	0.35	6.93
Total (%)	9.46	7.80	3.69	2.64	7.43	11.87	16.32	21.32	26.46

TODO:COULD PUT THE TYPICAL SYSTEMATICS TABLE FROM THE PAPER IN HERE AND PUT THE FULL SYSTEMATICS TABLES IN THE APPENDICES?

8.2 Results

The fitting and unfolding explained in Sections 7.3 and 7.4 is performed individually in the electron+jets and muon+jets channels, resulting in a number of $t\bar{t}$ events in each channel.

Table 8.11: Systematic uncertainties for the normalised $t\bar{t}$ cross section measurement with respect to M_T^W variable at a centre-of-mass energy of 8 TeV (combination of electron and muon channels).

Uncertainty source	0--23 GeV	23--58 GeV	≥ 58 GeV
b-tagging efficiency -1σ (%)	-0.04	-0.01	0.01
b-tagging efficiency $+1\sigma$ (%)	-0.01	-0.01	0.01
Electron efficiency -1σ (%)	0.03	0.01	-0.01
Electron efficiency $+1\sigma$ (%)	0.19	0.07	-0.07
Jet energy resolution -1σ (%)	0.54	0.26	-0.23
Jet energy resolution $+1\sigma$ (%)	0.22	0.10	-0.09
Jet energy scale -1σ (%)	1.63	0.70	-0.65
Jet energy scale $+1\sigma$ (%)	0.03	0.01	-0.01
Muon efficiency -1σ (%)	0.02	0.01	-0.01
Muon efficiency $+1\sigma$ (%)	-0.02	-0.01	0.01
PDF uncertainty -1σ (%)	0.14	0.27	0.15
PDF uncertainty $+1\sigma$ (%)	0.14	0.27	0.15
Pile-up -1σ (%)	0.51	0.23	-0.21
Pile-up $+1\sigma$ (%)	0.08	0.04	-0.04
QCD cross section $+1\sigma$ (%)	-0.01	-0.00	0.00
QCD cross section -1σ (%)	1.23	0.46	-0.46
QCD shape uncertainty (%)	-0.67	-0.28	0.26
Single top cross section $+1\sigma$ (%)	-0.00	-0.00	0.00
Single top cross section -1σ (%)	-0.00	-0.00	0.00
$t\bar{t}$ cross section $+1\sigma$ (%)	0.00	0.00	-0.00
$t\bar{t}$ cross section -1σ (%)	0.00	0.00	-0.00
$t\bar{t}$ (top mass down) (%)	0.06	0.13	-0.07
$t\bar{t}$ (top mass up) (%)	0.10	0.04	-0.04
$t\bar{t}$ (matching down) (%)	-0.32	-0.01	0.06
$t\bar{t}$ (matching up) (%)	1.11	0.29	-0.35
$t\bar{t}$ (Q^2 down) (%)	-1.56	-1.31	0.93
$t\bar{t}$ (Q^2 up) (%)	-0.57	-0.14	0.18
V+jets cross section $+1\sigma$ (%)	0.00	0.00	-0.00
V+jets cross section -1σ (%)	0.00	0.00	-0.00
V+jets (matching down) (%)	1.95	0.77	-0.74
V+jets (matching up) (%)	1.13	0.45	-0.43
V+jets (Q^2 down) (%)	1.36	0.53	-0.51
V+jets (Q^2 up) (%)	1.66	0.64	-0.62
Hadronisation uncertainty (%)	2.87	1.44	1.26
Luminosity $+1\sigma$ (%)	0.00	0.00	-0.00
Luminosity -1σ (%)	-0.00	-0.00	0.00
Electron energy -1σ (%)	0.70	0.31	-0.28
Electron energy $+1\sigma$ (%)	-0.42	-0.16	0.15
Muon energy -1σ (%)	0.18	0.09	-0.08
Muon energy $+1\sigma$ (%)	-0.14	-0.06	0.05
Tau energy -1σ (%)	-1.08	-0.41	0.40
Tau energy $+1\sigma$ (%)	0.85	0.38	-0.34
Unclustered energy -1σ (%)	-0.29	-0.06	0.09
Unclustered energy $+1\sigma$ (%)	1.17	0.50	-0.46
$p_T(t, \bar{t})$ reweighting (%)	128	1.20	0.73
Total (%)		5.71	2.86
			0.58

The measurement is then carried out as outlined in Section 7.4.1 on the numbers of events in each channel, in addition to the sum total of the two channels to calculate the cross section in the combined semi-leptonic channel. This section summarises the normalised differential cross sections for the primary variables investigated in this analysis. Figures 8.3 to 8.7 show the distributions at $\sqrt{s} = 7\text{ TeV}$ and Figures 8.8 to 8.12 show the distributions at $\sqrt{s} = 8\text{ TeV}$. The numerical values are included in Appendix A.9.

The normalised cross section distributions are shown compared with predictions from MADGRAPH, POWHEG +PYTHIA, POWHEG +HERWIG, MC@NLO ($\sqrt{s} = 8\text{ TeV}$ only) and a MADGRAPH prediction with corrected t-quark p_T in the left hand plots. The error bars on the data points represent the statistical +unfolding (inner) and systematic (outer) uncertainties summed in quadrature. In the right hand plots a comparison with the MADGRAPH prediction with matching threshold, and factorisation and renormalisation scale up and down. Ratio plots are shown below the distribution plots to allow easier comparison of the distribution in data to the different simulations, with a line at 1.0 for reference. In the ratio plots, the grey error bands represent the statistical + unfolding uncertainty, while the yellow error bands represent the systematic uncertainties added in quadrature. The systematic uncertainties resulting from matching and factorisation and renormalisation scale are excluded from the systematic uncertainties in plots comparing the data distribution with theoretical variations. Similarly, the hadronisation uncertainty is excluded in plots comparing the data distribution with different simulation generators. It can be seen that the data distributions show softer distributions than in simulation as a result of the mismodelling of the t-quark p_T in the generators [32]. The corrected MADGRAPH distribution, however, shows good agreement with the data.

TODO: INDIVIDUAL ELECTRON CHANNEL AND MUON CHANNEL RESULTS IN APPENDIX?

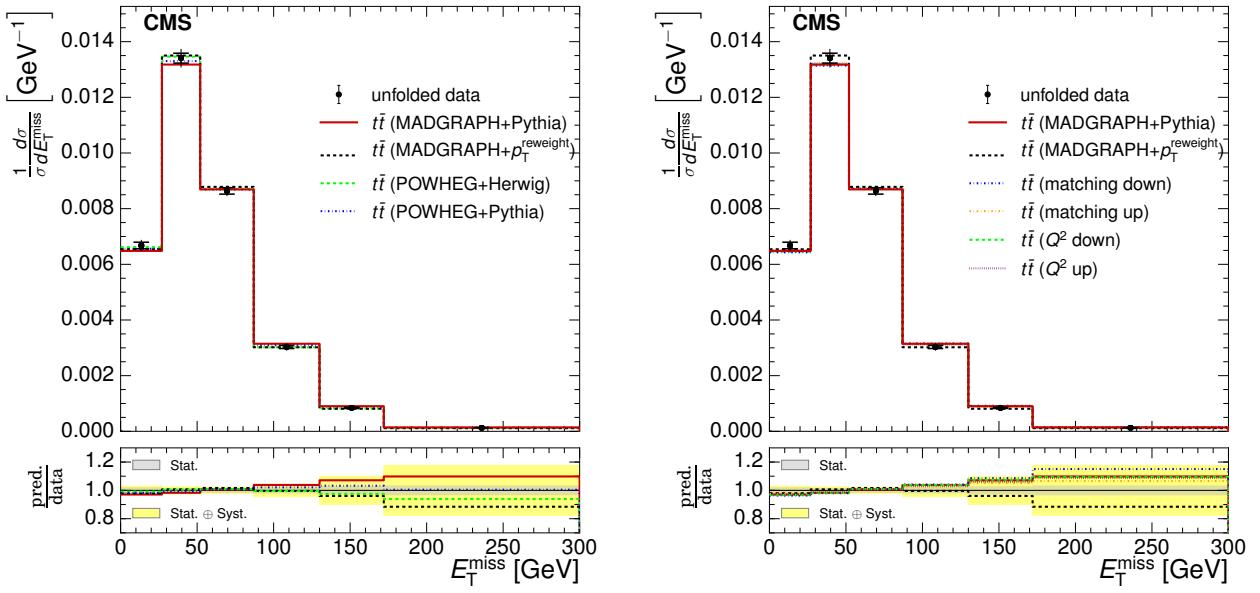


Figure 8.3: Comparison of the measured normalised differential cross section with respect to E_T^{miss} to different Monte Carlo generators: MADGRAPH, POWHEG +HERWIG, POWHEG +PYTHIA and MADGRAPH corrected for top p_T mismodelling (left) and to different Monte Carlo predictions matching threshold up/down and factorisation scale up/down (right) in the combined electron+jets and muon+jets channel at $\sqrt{s} = 7 \text{ TeV}$.

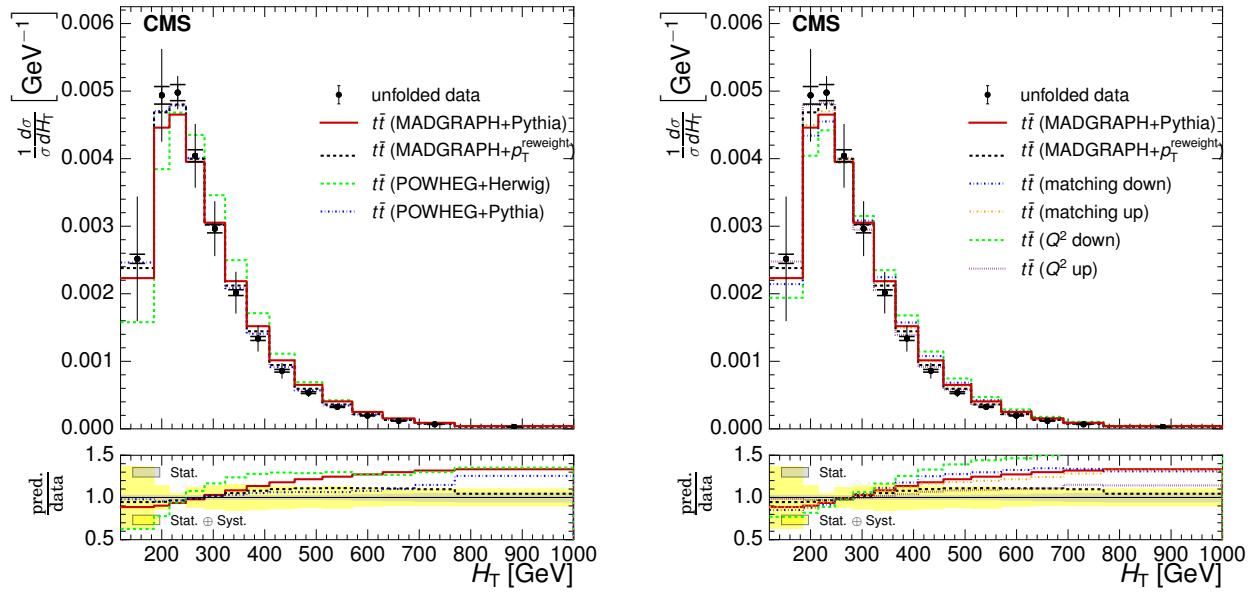


Figure 8.4: Comparison of the measured normalised differential cross section with respect to H_T to different Monte Carlo generators: MADGRAPH, POWHEG +HERWIG, POWHEG +PYTHIA and MADGRAPH corrected for top p_T mismodelling (left) and to different Monte Carlo predictions matching threshold up/down and factorisation scale up/down (right) in the combined electron+jets and muon+jets channel at $\sqrt{s} = 7 \text{ TeV}$.

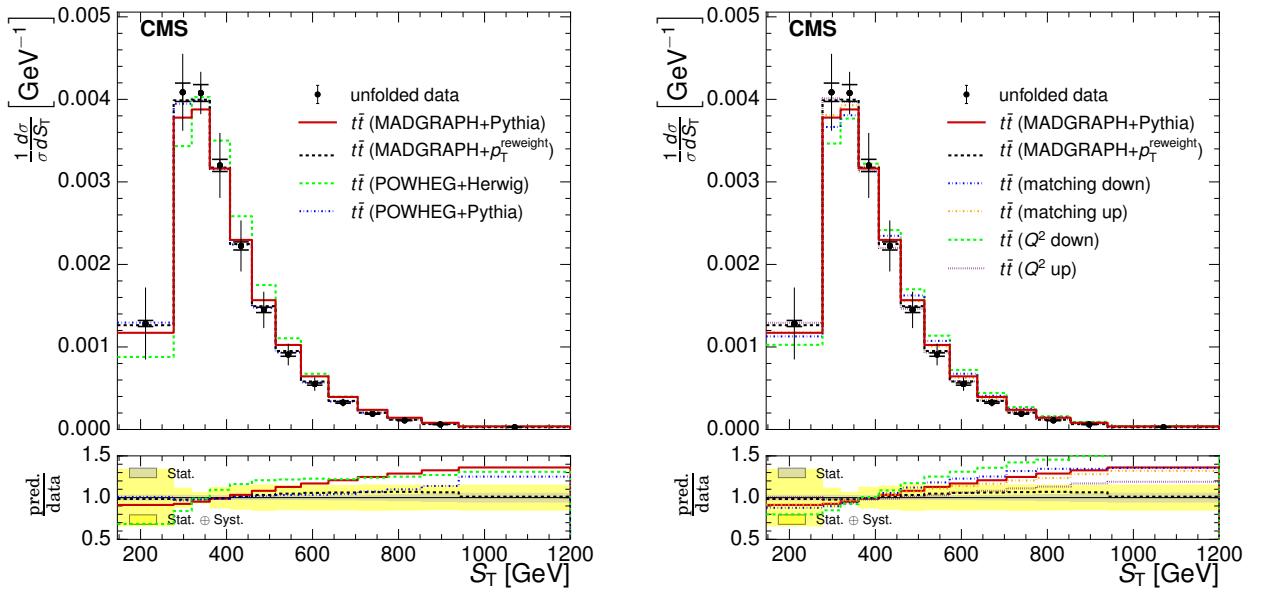


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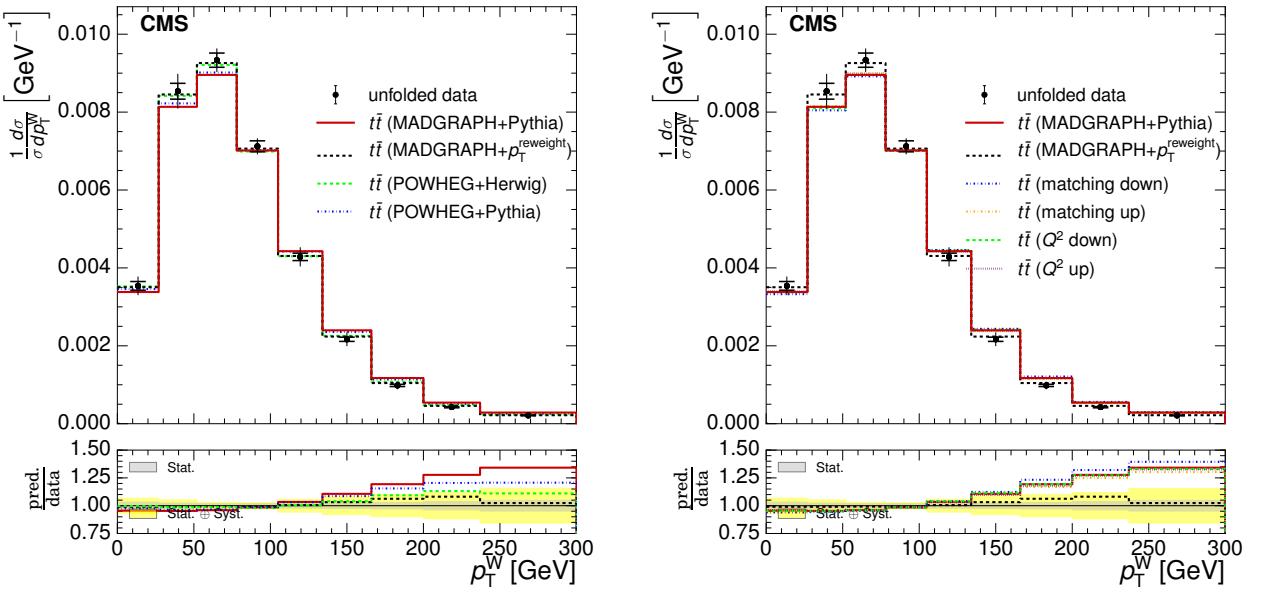


Figure 8.6: Comparison of the measured normalised differential cross section with respect to p_T^W to different Monte Carlo generators: MADGRAPH, POWHEG +HERWIG, POWHEG +PYTHIA and MADGRAPH corrected for top p_T mismodelling (left) and to different Monte Carlo predictions matching threshold up/down and factorisation scale up/down (right) in the combined electron+jets and muon+jets channel at $\sqrt{s} = 7$ TeV.

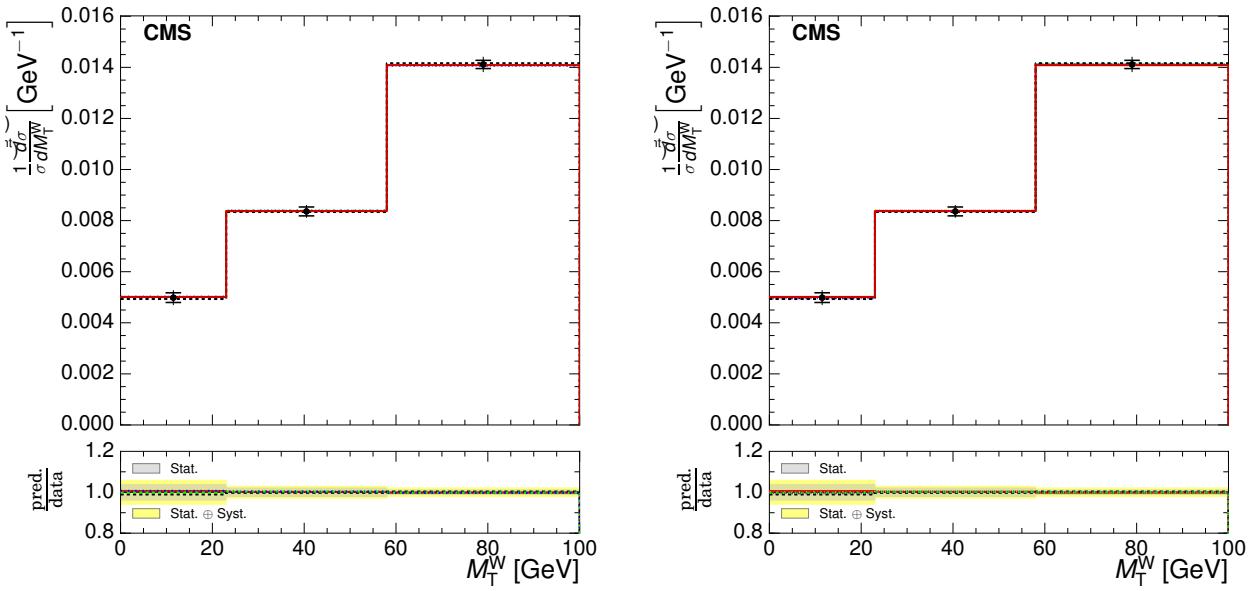


Figure 8.7: Comparison of the measured normalised differential cross section with respect to M_T^W to different Monte Carlo generators: MADGRAPH, POWHEG + HERWIG, POWHEG + PYTHIA and MADGRAPH corrected for top p_T mismodelling (left) and to different Monte Carlo predictions matching threshold up/down and factorisation scale up/down (right) in the combined electron+jets and muon+jets channel at $\sqrt{s} = 7 \text{ TeV}$.

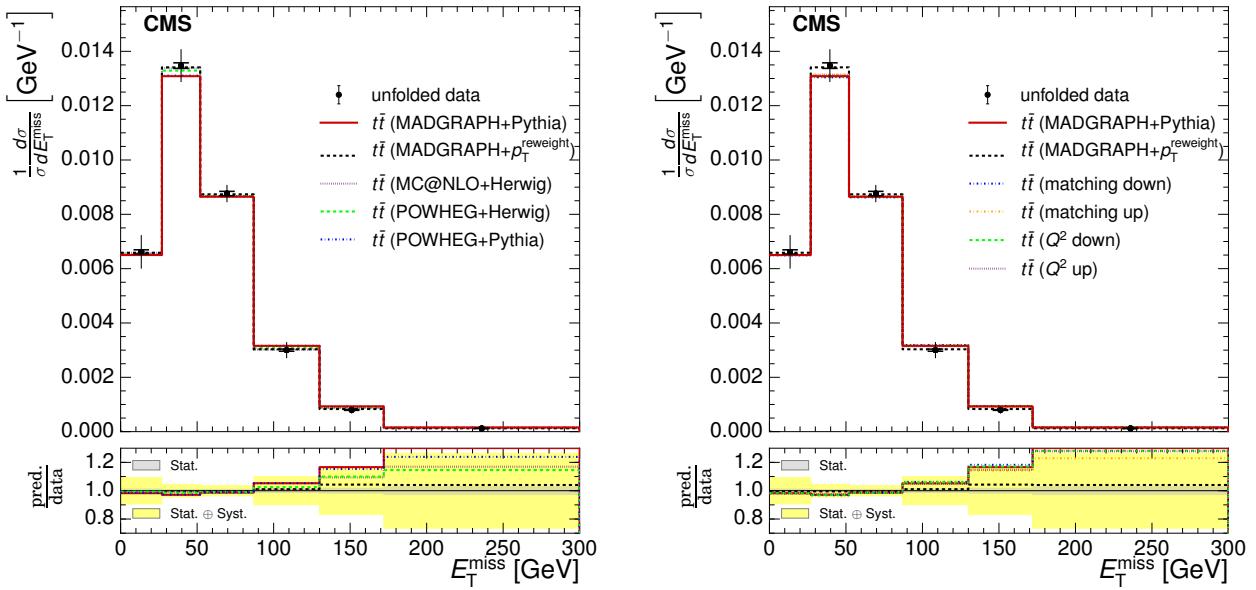


Figure 8.8: Comparison of the measured normalised differential cross section with respect to E_T^{miss} to different Monte Carlo generators: MADGRAPH, POWHEG + HERWIG, POWHEG + PYTHIA and MADGRAPH corrected for top p_T mismodelling (left) and to different Monte Carlo predictions matching threshold up/down and factorisation scale up/down (right) in the combined electron+jets and muon+jets channel at $\sqrt{s} = 8 \text{ TeV}$.

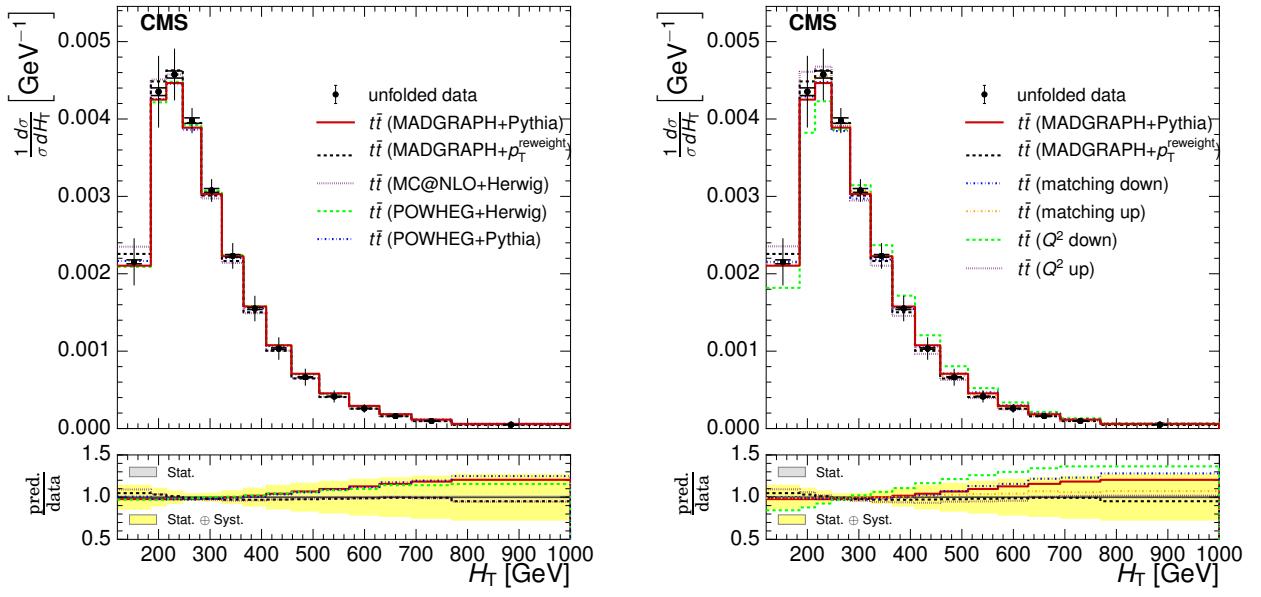


Figure 8.9: Comparison of the measured normalised differential cross section with respect to H_T to different Monte Carlo generators: MADGRAPH, POWHEG +HERWIG, POWHEG +PYTHIA and MADGRAPH corrected for top p_T mismodelling (left) and to different Monte Carlo predictions matching threshold up/down and factorisation scale up/down (right) in the combined electron+jets and muon+jets channel at $\sqrt{s} = 8$ TeV.

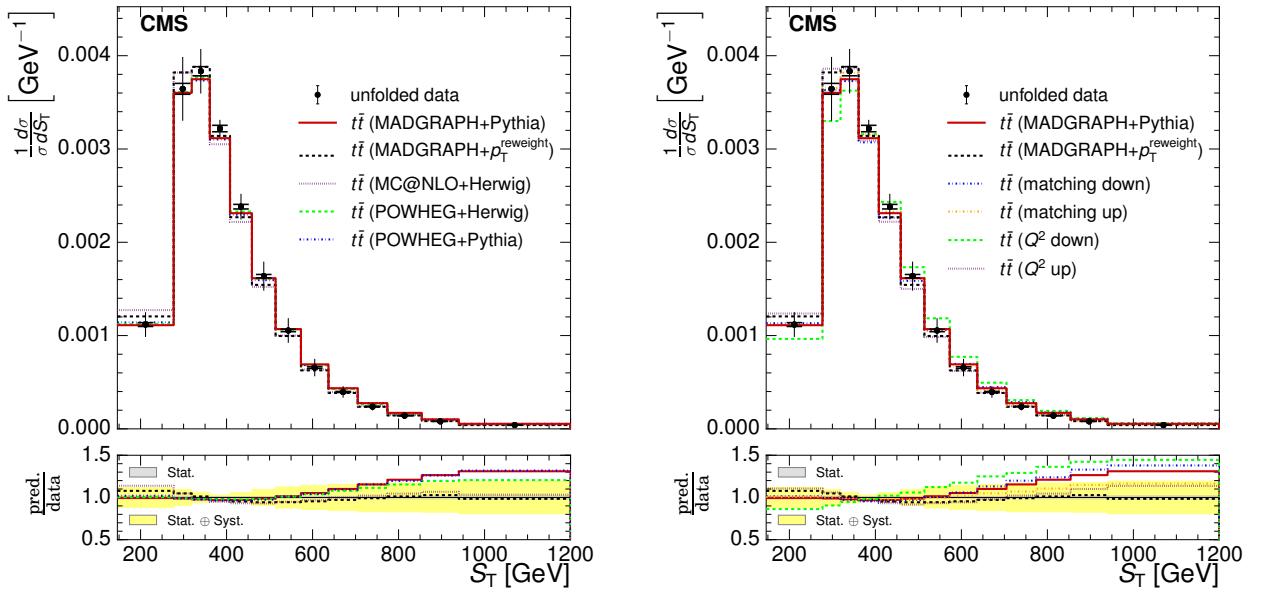


Figure 8.10: Comparison of the measured normalised differential cross section with respect to S_T to different Monte Carlo generators: MADGRAPH, POWHEG +HERWIG, POWHEG +PYTHIA and MADGRAPH corrected for top p_T mismodelling (left) and to different Monte Carlo predictions matching threshold up/down and factorisation scale up/down (right) in the combined electron+jets and muon+jets channel at $\sqrt{s} = 8$ TeV.

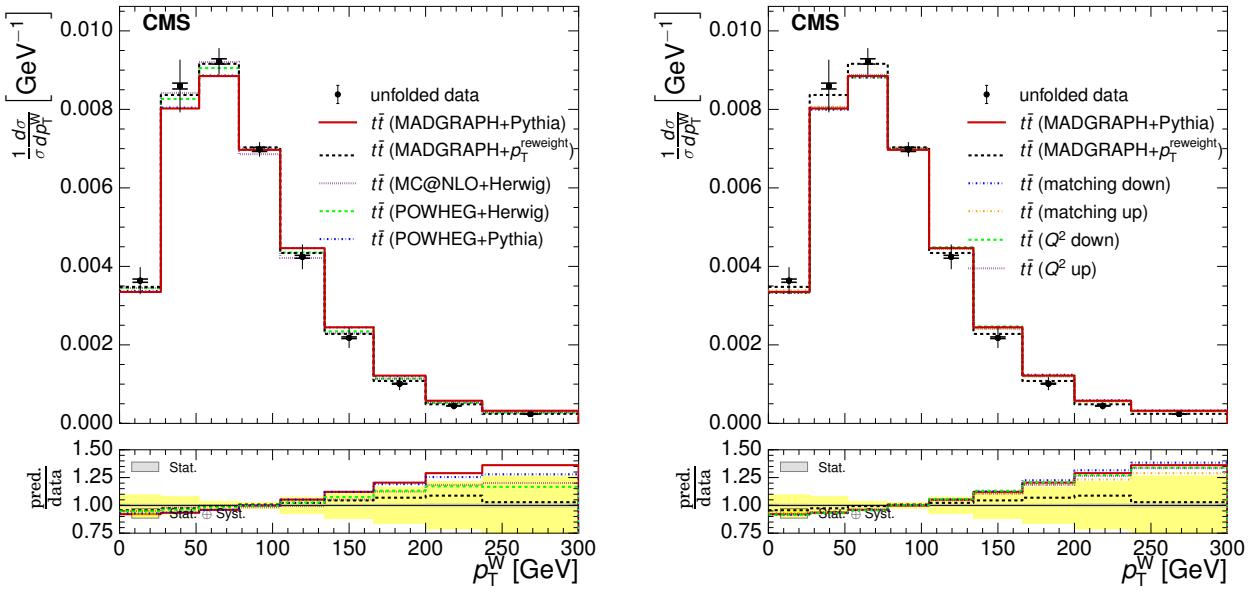


Figure 8.11: Comparison of the measured normalised differential cross section with respect to p_T^W to different Monte Carlo generators: MADGRAPH, POWHEG + HERWIG, POWHEG + PYTHIA and MADGRAPH corrected for top p_T mismodelling (left) and to different Monte Carlo predictions matching threshold up/down and factorisation scale up/down (right) in the combined electron+jets and muon+jets channel at $\sqrt{s} = 8$ TeV.

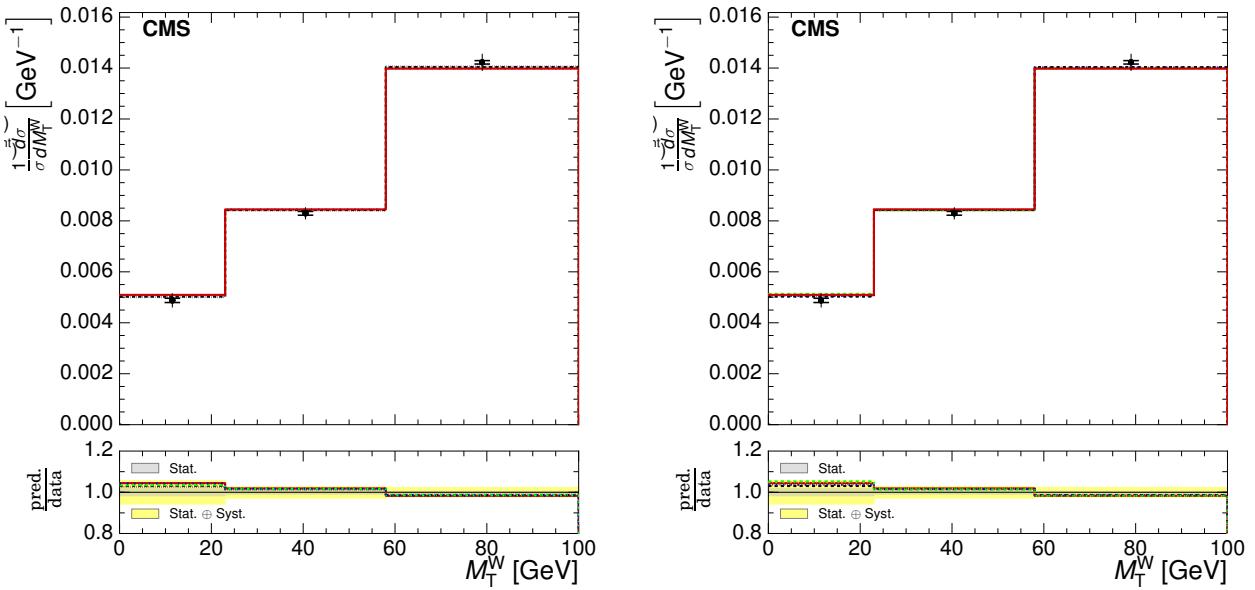


Figure 8.12: Comparison of the measured normalised differential cross section with respect to M_T^W to different Monte Carlo generators: MADGRAPH, POWHEG + HERWIG, POWHEG + PYTHIA and MADGRAPH corrected for top p_T mismodelling (left) and to different Monte Carlo predictions matching threshold up/down and factorisation scale up/down (right) in the combined electron+jets and muon+jets channel at $\sqrt{s} = 8$ TeV.

9 | Summary

This thesis has presented an overview of the theoretical background to the Standard Model, a summary of the CMS detector at the LHC, and a measurement of differential $t\bar{t}$ cross sections with respect to global variables E_T^{miss} , H_T , S_T , M_T^W and p_T^W in proton-proton collisions with 5.0fb^{-1} of data at $\sqrt{s}=7$ TeV and with 19.7fb^{-1} of data at $\sqrt{s}=8$ TeV collected with the CMS experiment at the LHC.

The main objective of these measurements is to verify the generators used to produce simulations of the signal and background events in CMS. This understanding provides a good basis in new physics analyses where such events constitute a significant background. In addition, the distributions under investigation would be sensitive to rare standard model processes ; for example, deviations from theory in the E_T^{miss} or M_T^W distributions would show signs of $t\bar{t} + Z/W$, while the H_T , S_T and p_T^W distributions would provide information on $t\bar{t} + X$ production where X is massive and decays to hadrons or stop pair production. The results in this analysis showed the previously observed characteristic of a softer p_T distribution in data than in the simulation. The simulated distribution corrected for this mismodelling show good agreement with data, however. Otherwise, the data shows good general agreement with the theoretical predictions, showing that these commonly used Monte Carlo simulation generators can be used with confidence to model $t\bar{t}$ events.

Run 2 of the LHC after Long Shutdown 1 began in June 2015 with proton-proton collisions occurring at $\sqrt{s} = 13$ TeV. Further measurements of $t\bar{t}$ events are on-going at the LHC on Run 2 data and will no doubt continue to do so. Currently an Early Analysis (analyses aimed to obtain and demonstrate that the detector and simulations are well understood at this early stage of Run 2) is being carried out by the same group that worked on the analysis presented in this thesis on 40pb^{-1} of LHC Run 2 data from CMS. As collision energies and

luminosities at the LHC increase, higher statistics, higher cross-sections in the following years could lead to the observation of rare physics processes and/or the production of potential heavier particles than are currently known.

Run 2 is scheduled to continue until Long Shutdown 2 in 2018 when major accelerator and experiment upgrades will take place. Until then, regular technical stops, such as over vacation periods, will allow for routine maintenance to be carried out. Included in Appendix B is a summary of the service carried out by the author for the CMS experiment, relating to the strip tracker operations and maintenance, and investigation of the new binary CBC readout chip for the strip tracker. Currently the newer CBC2 is undergoing testing, with a CBC3 already in the design stages and final testing to begin in 2018 for a scheduled installation in CMS at the HL-LHC from 2023 onwards.

A | Appendices

A.1 Datasets in differential cross section analysis

Data set name	Run period	L_{int} / pb $^{-1}$	Runs
ElectronHad 12 Oct 2013 ReReco	Run2011A	2,333	160404--173692
ElectronHad 12 Oct 2013 ReReco	Run2011B	2,738	175833--180252
SingleMu 12 Oct 2013 ReReco	Run2011A	2,331	160404--173692
SingleMu 12 Oct 2013 ReReco	Run2011B	2,766	175833--180252

Table A.1: 7 TeV data sets by run period with the corresponding integrated luminosities (L_{int}) and run numbers.

Data set name	Run period	L_{int} / pb $^{-1}$	Runs
SingleElectron 22 Jan 2013 ReReco	Run2012A	883.3	190456--193621
SingleElectron 22 Jan 2013 ReReco	Run2012B	4,389.0	193834--196531
SingleElectron 22 Jan 2013 ReReco	Run2012C	7,137.0	198022--203742
SingleElectron 22 Jan 2013 ReReco	Run2012D	7,318.0	203777--208686
SingleMu 22 Jan 2013 ReReco	Run2012A	889.4	190456--193621
SingleMu 22 Jan 2013 ReReco	Run2012B	4,424.0	193834--196531
SingleMu 22 Jan 2013 ReReco	Run2012C	7,152.0	198022--203742
SingleMu 22 Jan 2013 ReReco	Run2012D	7,280.0	203777--208686

Table A.2: 8 TeV data sets by run period with the corresponding integrated luminosities (L_{int}) and run numbers.

Data Period	Mask
2011	Cert_160404-180252_7TeV_ReRecoNov08_Collisions11_JSON_v2.txt
2012	Cert_190456-208686_8TeV_22Jan2013ReReco_Collisions12_JSON.txt

Table A.3: JSON files used for the 2011 and 2012 data taking periods.

A.2 Data-MonteCarlo corrections

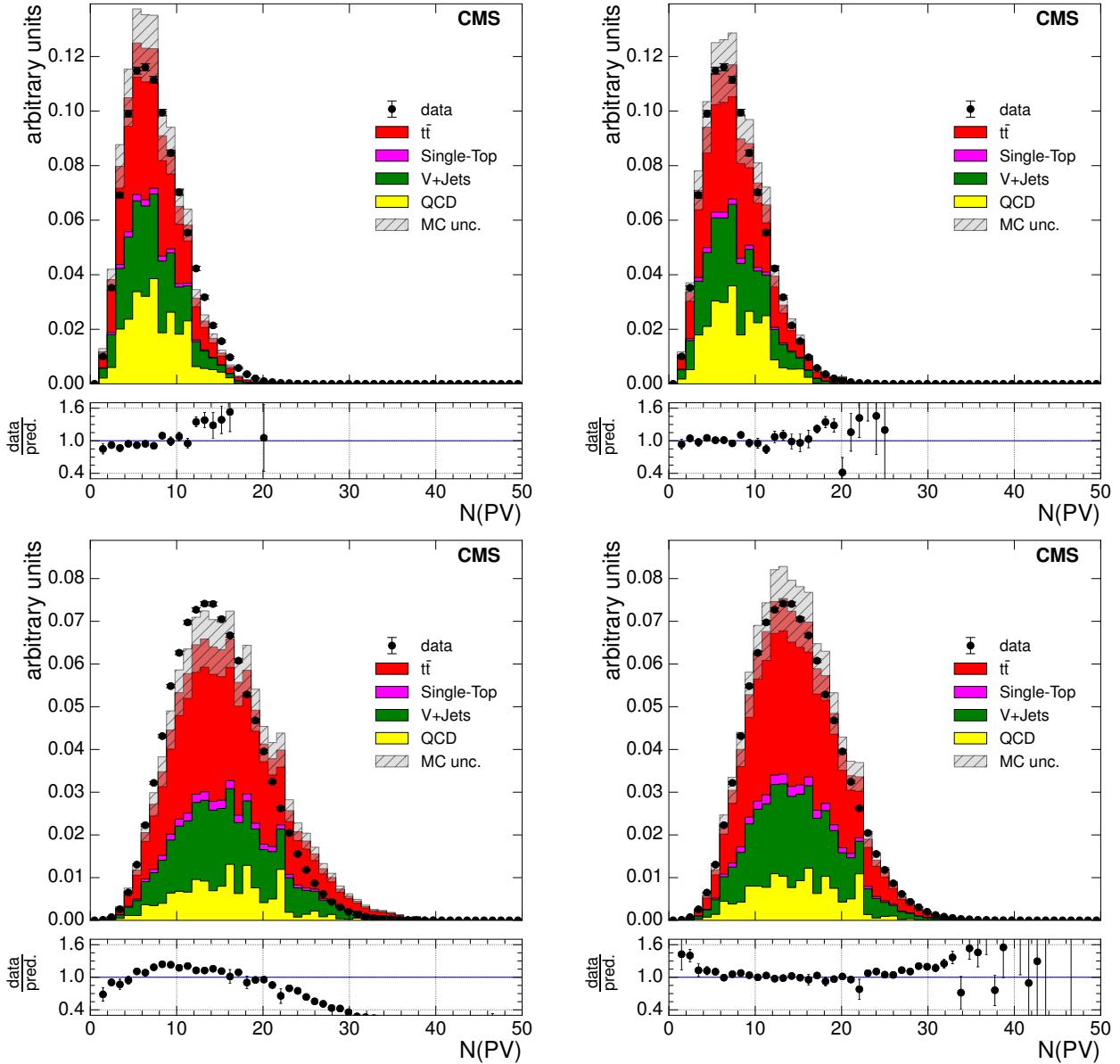


Figure A.1: Distributions of the number of reconstructed vertices in an event in the muon+jets channel before implementing pileup reweighting (left) and after implementation (right) at $\sqrt{s} = 7$ TeV (upper) and $\sqrt{s} = 8$ TeV (lower).

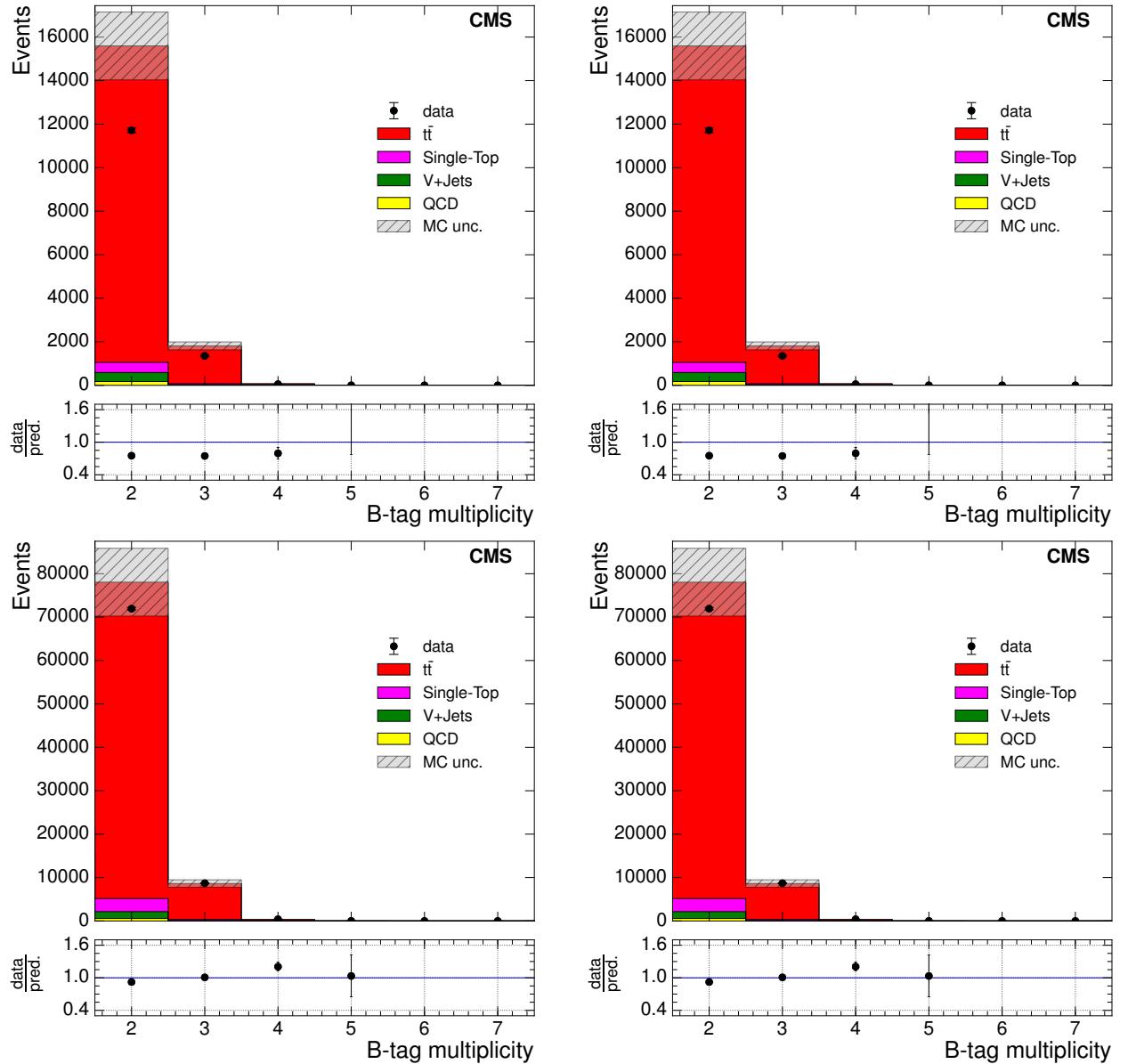


Figure A.2: Distributions of the number of b-tags in an event in the muon+jets channel before applying b-tag scale factors (left) and after application (right) at $\sqrt{s} = 7 \text{ TeV}$ (upper) and $\sqrt{s} = 8 \text{ TeV}$ (lower).

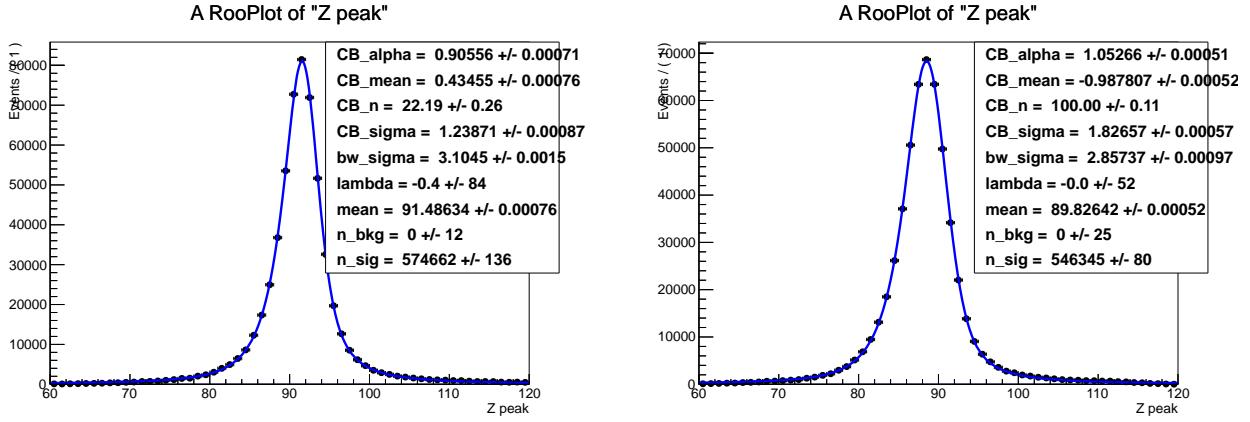


Figure A.3: Fits of the invariant mass distribution of all tag-and-probe pairs (left) and for tag-and-probe pairs in which the probe passes the trigger (right).

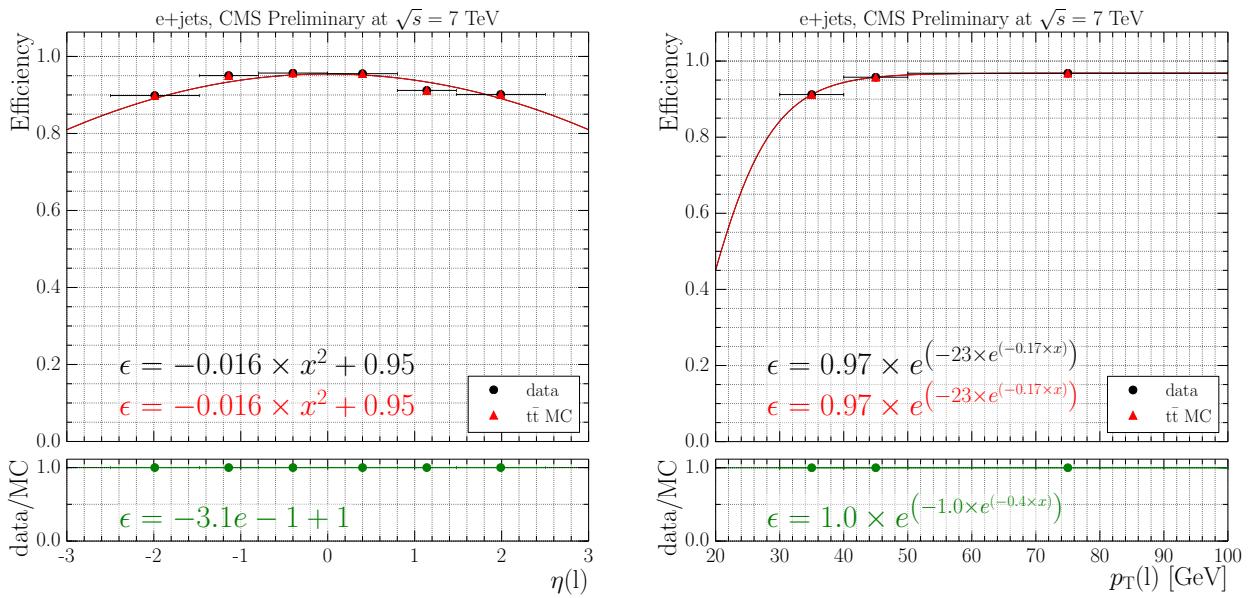


Figure A.4: Trigger efficiencies as a function of η and p_T in data and $t\bar{t}$ Monte Carlo simulation.

A.3 Binning in the muon+jets channel

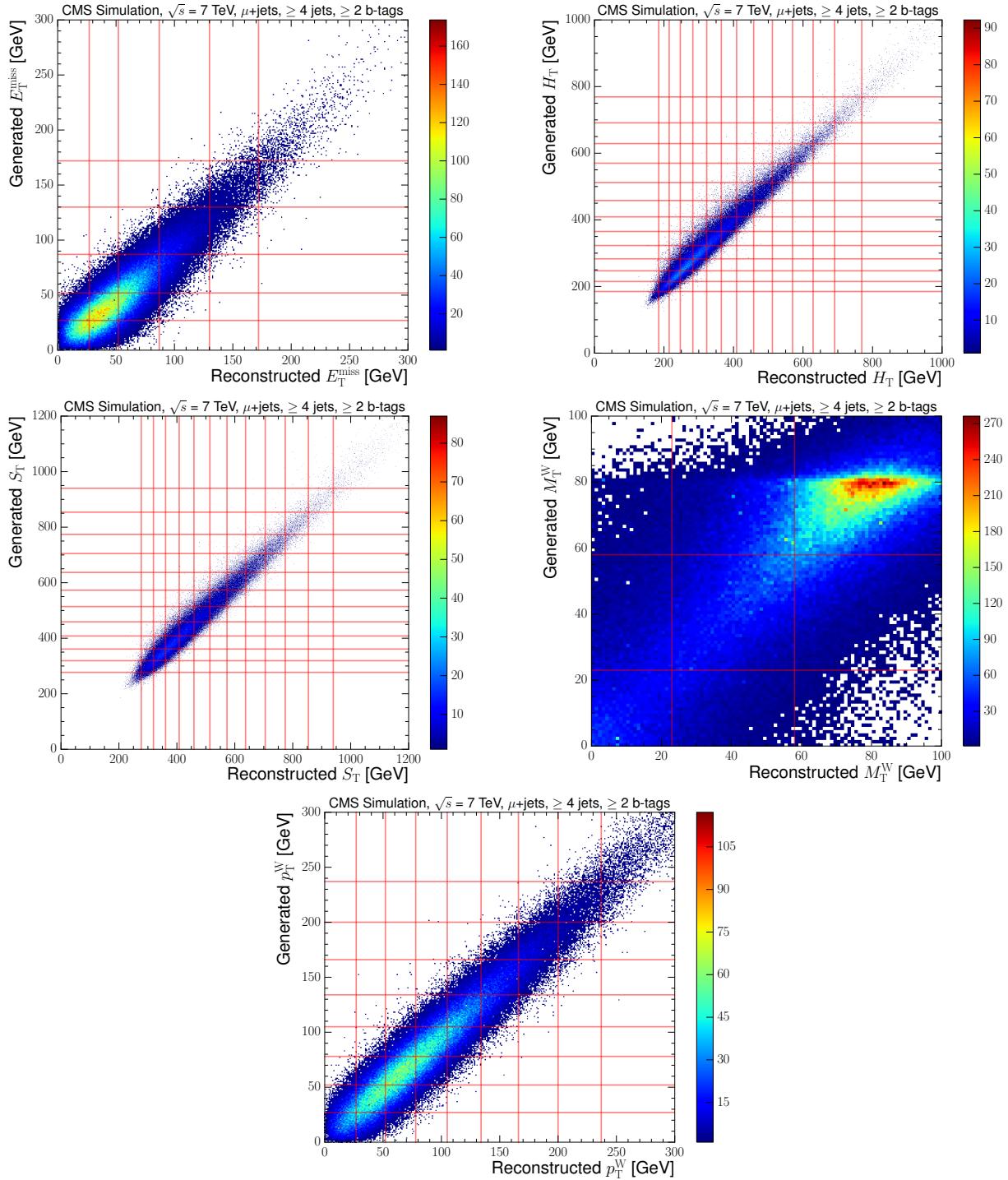


Figure A.5: Generated versus reconstructed distributions of the primary variables E_T^{miss} (upper left), H_T (upper right), S_T (middle left), M_T^W (middle right) and p_T^W (lower) with horizontal and vertical lines representing the boundaries of the selected bins at $\sqrt{s} = 7$ TeV in the muon+jets channel. These distributions are obtained using $t\bar{t}$ Monte Carlo simulation.

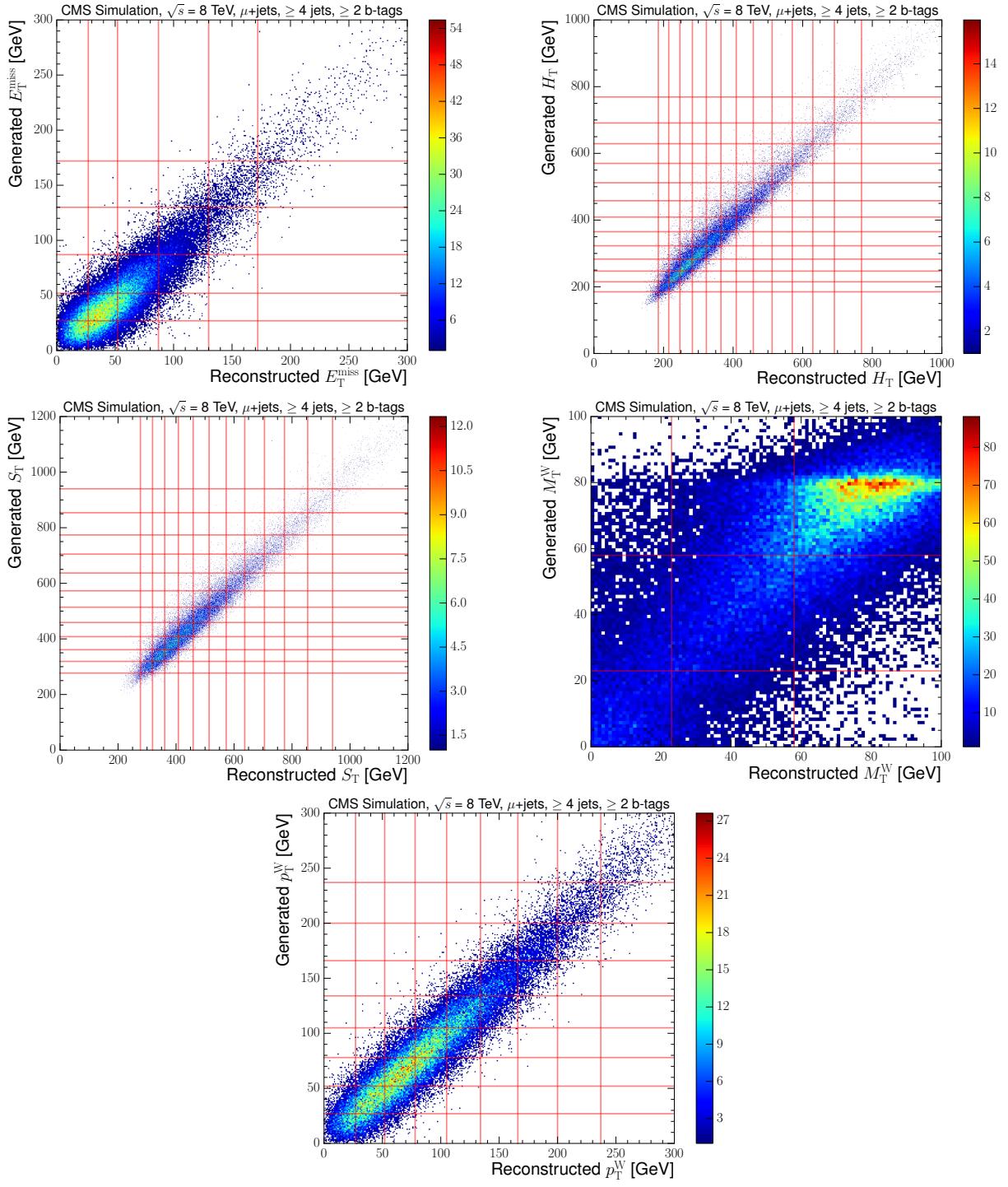


Figure A.6: Generated versus reconstructed distributions of the primary variables E_T^{miss} (upper left), H_T (upper right), S_T (middle left), M_T^W (middle right) and p_T^W (lower) with horizontal and vertical lines representing the boundaries of the selected bins at $\sqrt{s} = 8 \text{ TeV}$ in the muon+jets channel. These distributions are obtained using $t\bar{t}$ Monte Carlo simulation.

A.4 Binning choice tables

E_T^{miss} bin (GeV)	purity	stability	number of events
0 - 27	0.649	0.533	1367
27 - 52	0.588	0.538	2187
52 - 87	0.537	0.636	1691
87 - 130	0.542	0.666	660
130 - 172	0.521	0.624	179
≥ 172	0.711	0.824	119
H_T bin (GeV)	purity	stability	number of events
0 - 186	0.589	0.567	102
186 - 216	0.546	0.565	344
216 - 249	0.542	0.585	676
249 - 286	0.541	0.575	884
286 - 326	0.543	0.556	896
326 - 368	0.536	0.538	765
368 - 412	0.537	0.517	598
412 - 462	0.566	0.538	518
462 - 516	0.573	0.531	375
516 - 574	0.580	0.537	264
574 - 634	0.590	0.529	172
634 - 696	0.581	0.539	113
696 - 781	0.660	0.624	100
≥ 781	0.886	0.814	117
S_T bin (GeV)	purity	stability	number of events
0 - 277	0.565	0.550	108
277 - 319	0.564	0.549	422
319 - 361	0.538	0.543	743
361 - 408	0.530	0.547	939
408 - 459	0.527	0.539	897
459 - 514	0.534	0.536	764
514 - 573	0.539	0.530	601
573 - 637	0.548	0.532	449
637 - 705	0.548	0.534	305
705 - 774	0.540	0.523	194
774 - 854	0.576	0.566	151
854 - 946	0.613	0.580	102
≥ 946	0.838	0.837	133
M_T^W bin (GeV)	purity	stability	number of events
0 - 23	0.528	0.598	659
23 - 58	0.515	0.562	1557
≥ 58	0.845	0.786	4518
p_T^W bin (GeV)	purity	stability	number of events
0 - 27	0.597	0.549	467
27 - 52	0.551	0.526	960
52 - 78	0.550	0.540	1228
78 - 105	0.539	0.538	1107
105 - 134	0.537	0.554	857
134 - 166	0.537	0.568	570
166 - 200	0.524	0.564	314
200 - 237	0.536	0.573	177
≥ 237	0.707	0.789	145

Table A.4: The selected bins for the measurement in the electron channel at a centre-of-mass energy of 7 TeV. In addition to the bin ranges the purity, stability and number of expected $t\bar{t}$ events are shown.

E_T^{miss} bin (GeV)	purity	stability	number of events
0 - 27	0.641	0.533	1445
27 - 52	0.587	0.536	2374
52 - 87	0.552	0.638	1982
87 - 130	0.550	0.673	770
130 - 172	0.533	0.634	207
≥ 172	0.706	0.844	133
H_T bin (GeV)	purity	stability	number of events
0 - 186	0.595	0.568	121
186 - 216	0.543	0.563	397
216 - 249	0.545	0.583	787
249 - 286	0.541	0.576	1008
286 - 326	0.546	0.559	1010
326 - 368	0.540	0.538	841
368 - 412	0.547	0.529	675
412 - 462	0.569	0.542	558
462 - 516	0.584	0.537	406
516 - 574	0.585	0.547	281
574 - 634	0.590	0.542	181
634 - 696	0.597	0.546	119
696 - 781	0.682	0.623	105
≥ 781	0.885	0.818	117
S_T bin (GeV)	purity	stability	number of events
0 - 277	0.562	0.552	135
277 - 319	0.560	0.542	503
319 - 361	0.536	0.546	866
361 - 408	0.532	0.546	1056
408 - 459	0.530	0.543	1003
459 - 514	0.538	0.540	853
514 - 573	0.543	0.531	645
573 - 637	0.553	0.534	477
637 - 705	0.548	0.539	326
705 - 774	0.542	0.523	200
774 - 854	0.571	0.557	152
854 - 946	0.598	0.585	101
≥ 946	0.847	0.832	138
M_T^W bin (GeV)	purity	stability	number of events
0 - 23	0.535	0.608	742
23 - 58	0.523	0.574	1777
≥ 58	0.851	0.789	5093
p_T^W bin (GeV)	purity	stability	number of events
0 - 27	0.599	0.544	558
27 - 52	0.559	0.529	1141
52 - 78	0.549	0.539	1369
78 - 105	0.531	0.538	1190
105 - 134	0.537	0.557	928
134 - 166	0.537	0.569	610
166 - 200	0.526	0.568	336
200 - 237	0.532	0.575	183
≥ 237	0.689	0.794	150

Table A.5: The selected bins for the measurement in the muon channel at a centre-of-mass energy of 7 TeV. In addition to the bin ranges¹⁴⁶ the purity, stability and number of expected $t\bar{t}$ events are shown.

E_T^{miss} bin (GeV)	purity	stability	number of events
0 - 27	0.634	0.505	6400
27 - 52	0.557	0.507	9823
52 - 87	0.503	0.606	7792
87 - 130	0.517	0.643	3239
130 - 172	0.500	0.598	904
≥ 172	0.700	0.840	670
H_T bin (GeV)	purity	stability	number of events
0 - 186	0.556	0.514	430
186 - 216	0.511	0.508	1408
216 - 249	0.508	0.540	2878
249 - 286	0.511	0.540	3869
286 - 326	0.502	0.524	3892
326 - 368	0.508	0.511	3463
368 - 412	0.506	0.500	2828
412 - 462	0.532	0.510	2457
462 - 516	0.534	0.509	1857
516 - 574	0.547	0.500	1256
574 - 634	0.557	0.512	902
634 - 696	0.518	0.505	584
696 - 781	0.627	0.551	572
≥ 781	0.872	0.815	801
S_T bin (GeV)	purity	stability	number of events
0 - 277	0.580	0.500	463
277 - 319	0.539	0.500	1769
319 - 361	0.509	0.515	3204
361 - 408	0.505	0.522	4126
408 - 459	0.501	0.514	4035
459 - 514	0.504	0.510	3532
514 - 573	0.503	0.502	2780
573 - 637	0.517	0.510	2179
637 - 705	0.517	0.504	1507
705 - 774	0.506	0.508	1039
774 - 854	0.540	0.504	769
854 - 946	0.552	0.550	551
≥ 946	0.842	0.831	909
M_T^W bin (GeV)	purity	stability	number of events
0 - 23	0.515	0.577	3245
23 - 58	0.507	0.541	7446
≥ 58	0.823	0.774	20751
p_T^W bin (GeV)	purity	stability	number of events
0 - 27	0.556	0.505	1962
27 - 52	0.531	0.507	4354
52 - 78	0.527	0.513	5536
78 - 105	0.515	0.510	5131
105 - 134	0.510	0.533	4051
134 - 166	0.518	0.546	2775
166 - 200	0.502	0.544	1590
200 - 237	0.511	0.545	903
≥ 237	0.683	0.790	792

Table A.6: The selected bins for the measurement in the electron channel at a centre-of-mass energy of 8 TeV. In addition to the bin ranges¹⁴⁷ the purity, stability and number of expected $t\bar{t}$ events are shown.

E_T^{miss} bin (GeV)	purity	stability	number of events
0 - 27	0.638	0.511	7341
27 - 52	0.563	0.515	11569
52 - 87	0.526	0.610	9865
87 - 130	0.506	0.651	3814
130 - 172	0.504	0.592	1050
≥ 172	0.695	0.845	802
H_T bin (GeV)	purity	stability	number of events
0 - 186	0.559	0.514	527
186 - 216	0.518	0.515	1698
216 - 249	0.518	0.537	3521
249 - 286	0.507	0.548	4735
286 - 326	0.507	0.523	4725
326 - 368	0.500	0.504	4032
368 - 412	0.503	0.501	3297
412 - 462	0.536	0.503	2815
462 - 516	0.529	0.503	2087
516 - 574	0.549	0.520	1551
574 - 634	0.542	0.502	987
634 - 696	0.560	0.504	656
696 - 781	0.644	0.607	641
≥ 781	0.886	0.796	842
S_T bin (GeV)	purity	stability	number of events
0 - 277	0.583	0.523	629
277 - 319	0.548	0.519	2276
319 - 361	0.511	0.508	3895
361 - 408	0.504	0.522	5021
408 - 459	0.502	0.519	4855
459 - 514	0.508	0.512	4170
514 - 573	0.511	0.500	3248
573 - 637	0.502	0.504	2393
637 - 705	0.522	0.517	1766
705 - 774	0.519	0.500	1135
774 - 854	0.546	0.529	884
854 - 946	0.571	0.558	621
≥ 946	0.836	0.837	961
M_T^W bin (GeV)	purity	stability	number of events
0 - 23	0.506	0.589	3712
23 - 58	0.511	0.554	9078
≥ 58	0.836	0.774	25227
p_T^W bin (GeV)	purity	stability	number of events
0 - 27	0.589	0.520	2700
27 - 52	0.535	0.509	5484
52 - 78	0.524	0.509	6644
78 - 105	0.507	0.515	5918
105 - 134	0.509	0.526	4588
134 - 166	0.504	0.544	3012
166 - 200	0.513	0.546	1767
200 - 237	0.506	0.558	994
≥ 237	0.676	0.801	894

Table A.7: The selected bins for the measurement in the muon channel at a centre-of-mass energy of 8 TeV. In addition to the bin ranges¹⁴⁸ the purity, stability and number of expected $t\bar{t}$ events are shown.

A.5 Fitting Variable Distributions

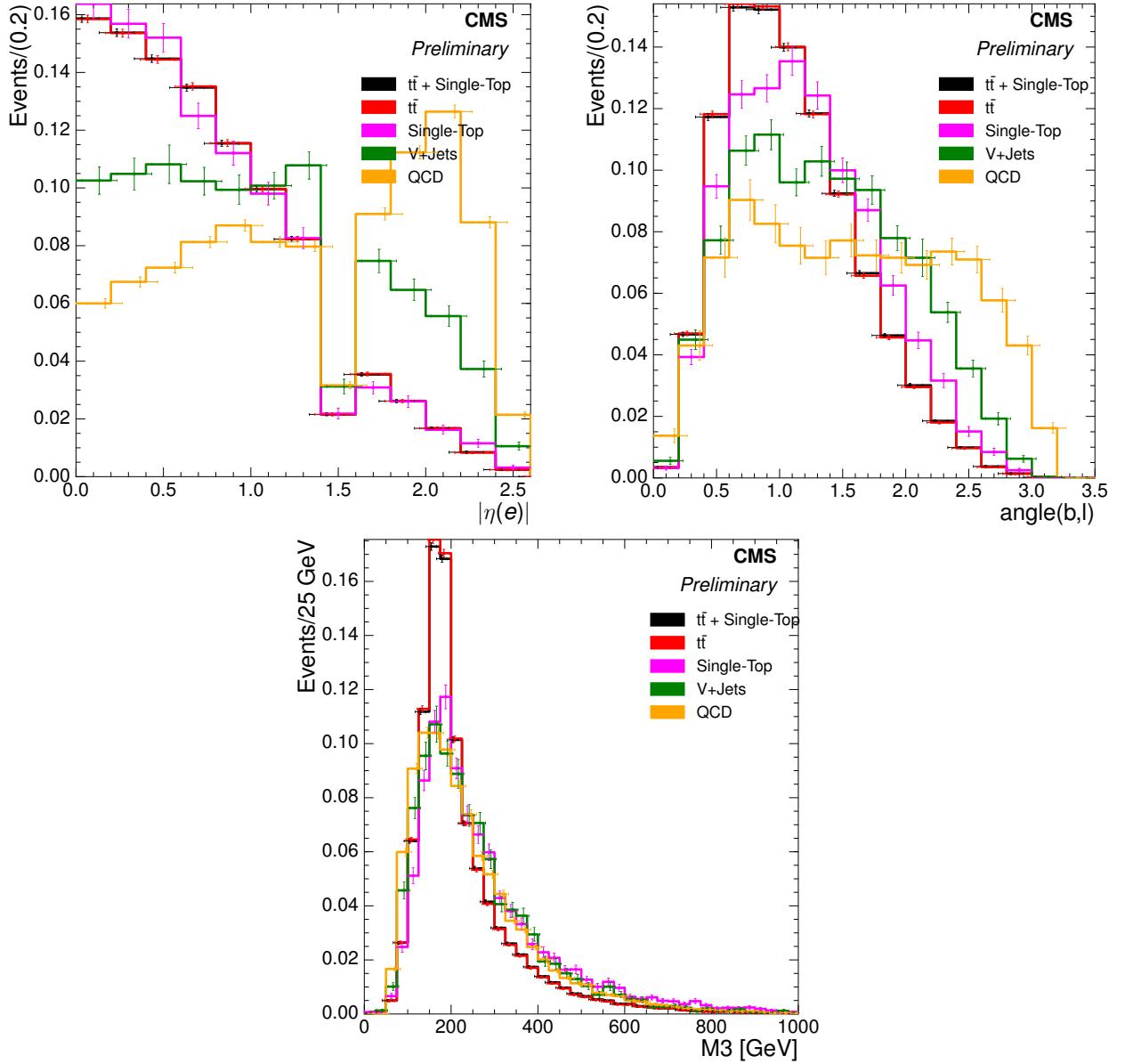


Figure A.7: Normalised distributions of the templates for the three fit variables at $\sqrt{s} = 8 \text{ TeV}$, inclusive across all primary variable bins in the electron+jets channel: electron $|\eta|$ (upper left), α (upper right) and $M3$ (lower).

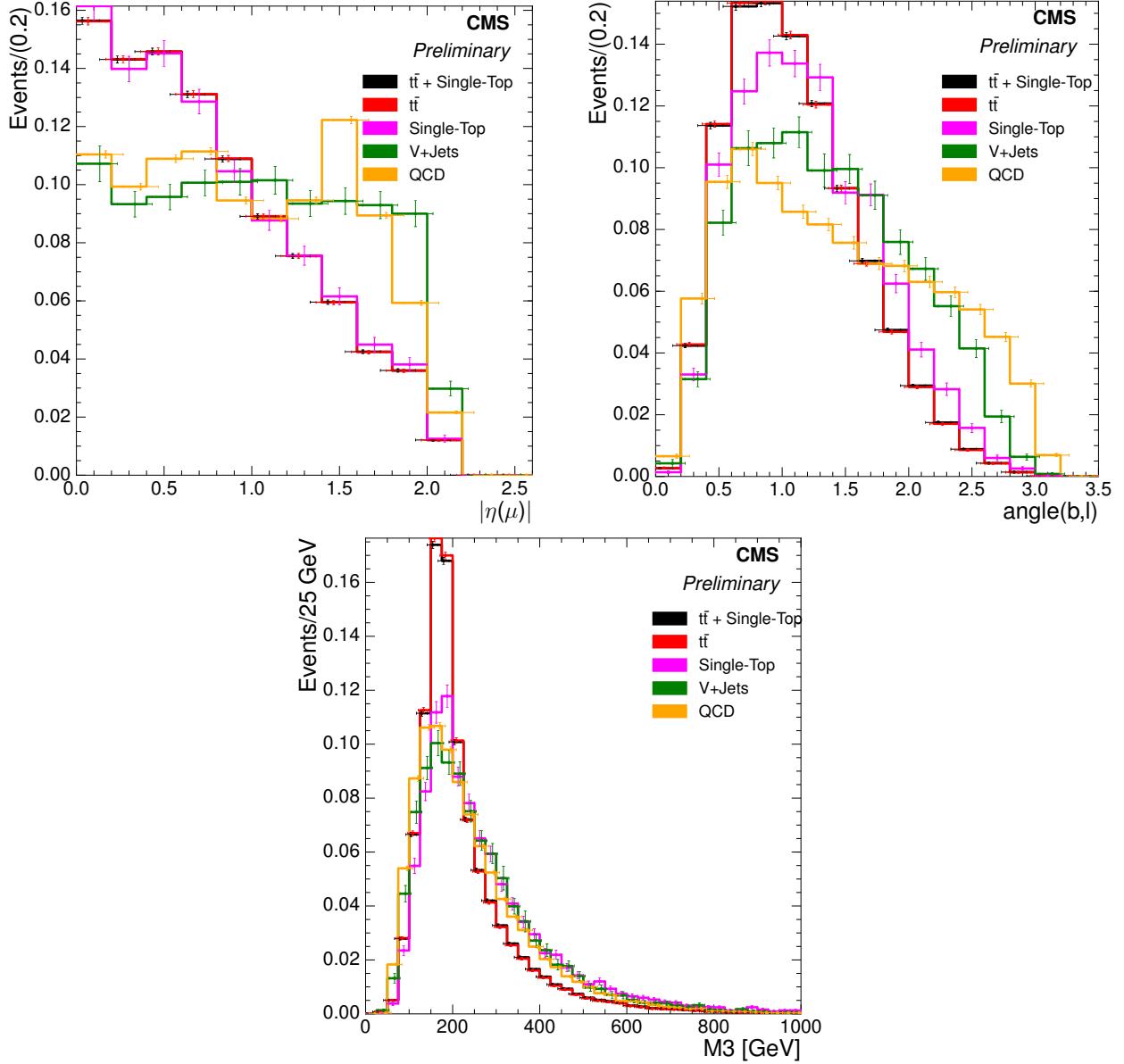


Figure A.8: Normalised distributions of the templates for the three fit variables at $\sqrt{s} = 8 \text{ TeV}$, inclusive across all primary variable bins in the muon+jets channel: muon $|\eta|$ (upper left), α (upper right) and $M3$ (lower).

A.6 Fitting variable QCD background template comparisons

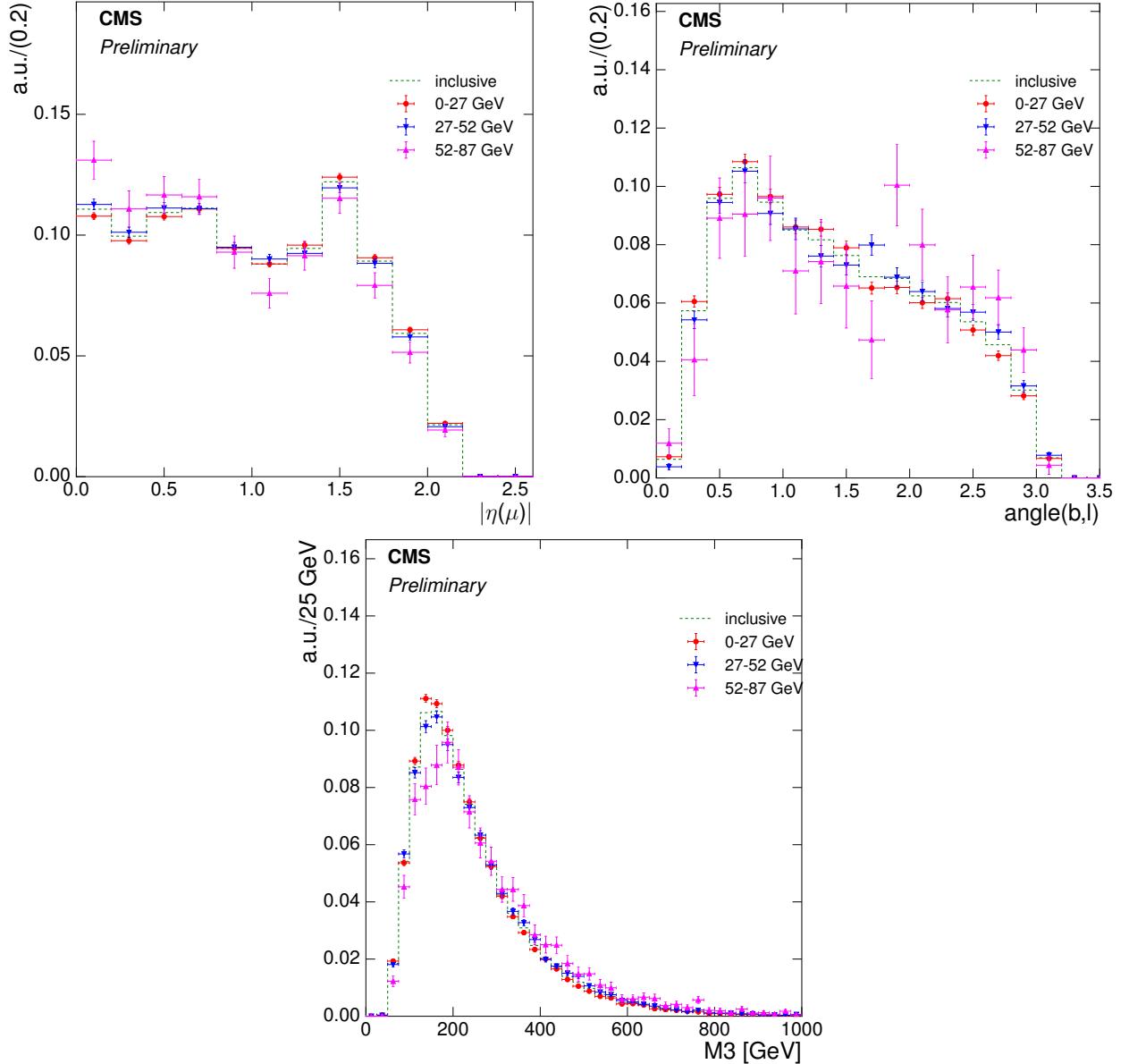


Figure A.9: Normalised distributions of the QCD templates for the three fit variables at $\sqrt{s} = 8 \text{ TeV}$ inclusive across all E_T^{miss} bins and for the lowest three E_T^{miss} bins in the muon+jets channel: muon $|\eta|$ (upper left), α (upper right) and $M3$ (lower).

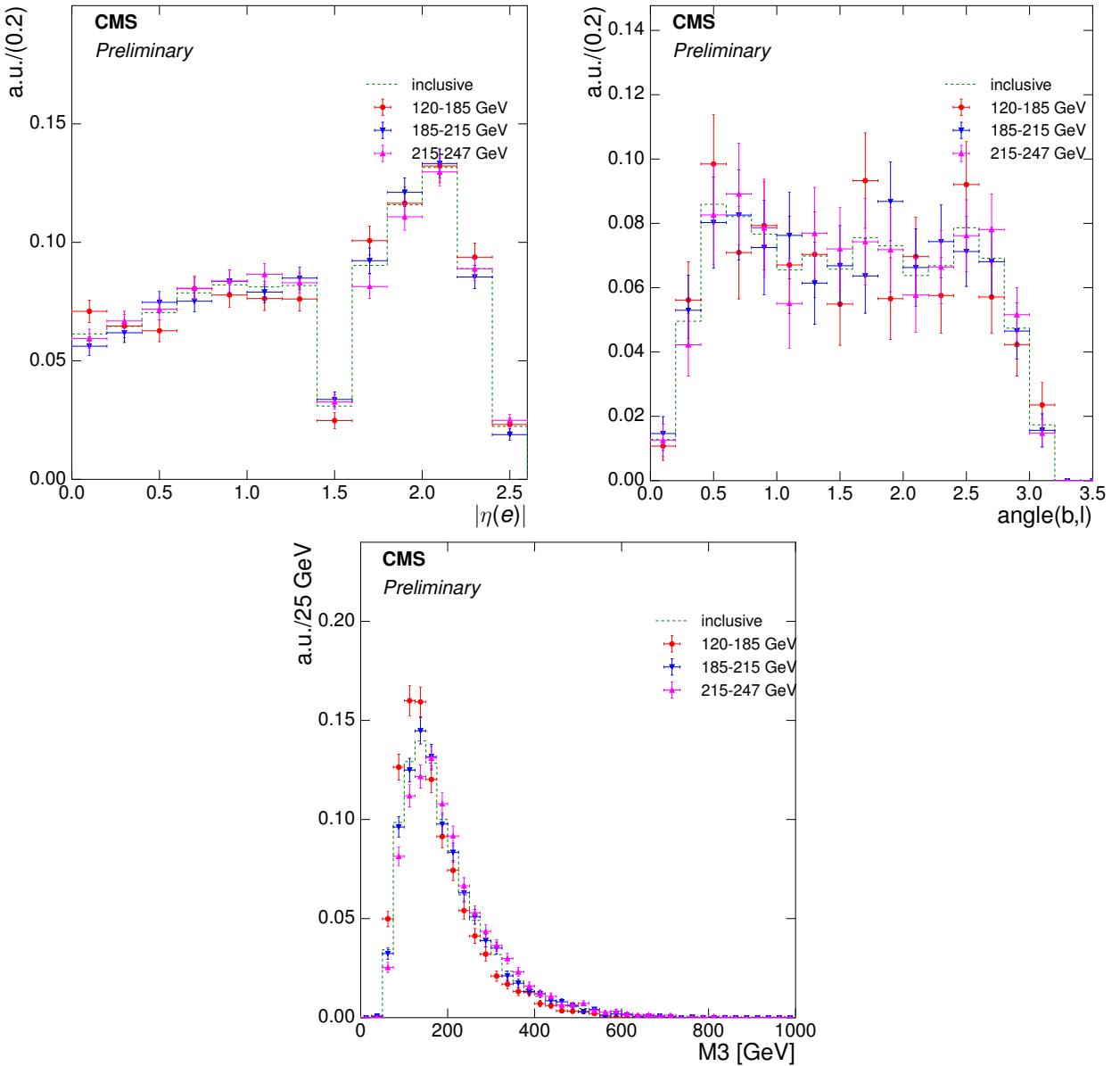


Figure A.10: Normalised distributions of the QCD templates for the three fit variables at $\sqrt{s} = 8\text{ TeV}$ inclusive across all H_T bins and for the lowest three H_T bins in the electron+jets channel: electron $|\eta|$ (upper left), α (upper right) and $M3$ (lower right).

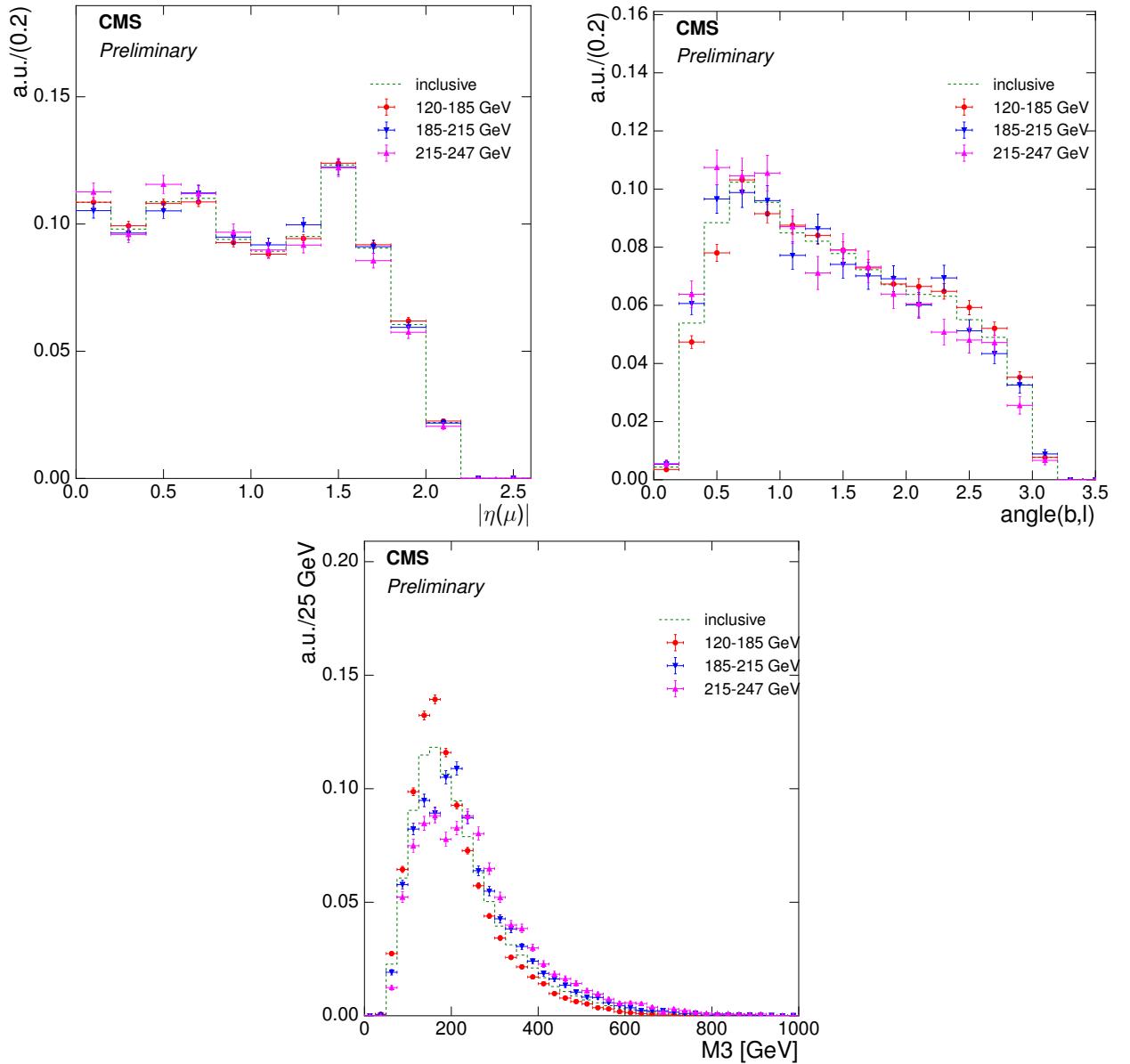


Figure A.11: Normalised distributions of the QCD templates for the three fit variables at $\sqrt{s} = 8 \text{ TeV}$ inclusive across all H_T bins and for the lowest three H_T bins in the muon+jets channel: muon $|\eta|$ (upper left), α (upper right) and M_3 (lower right).

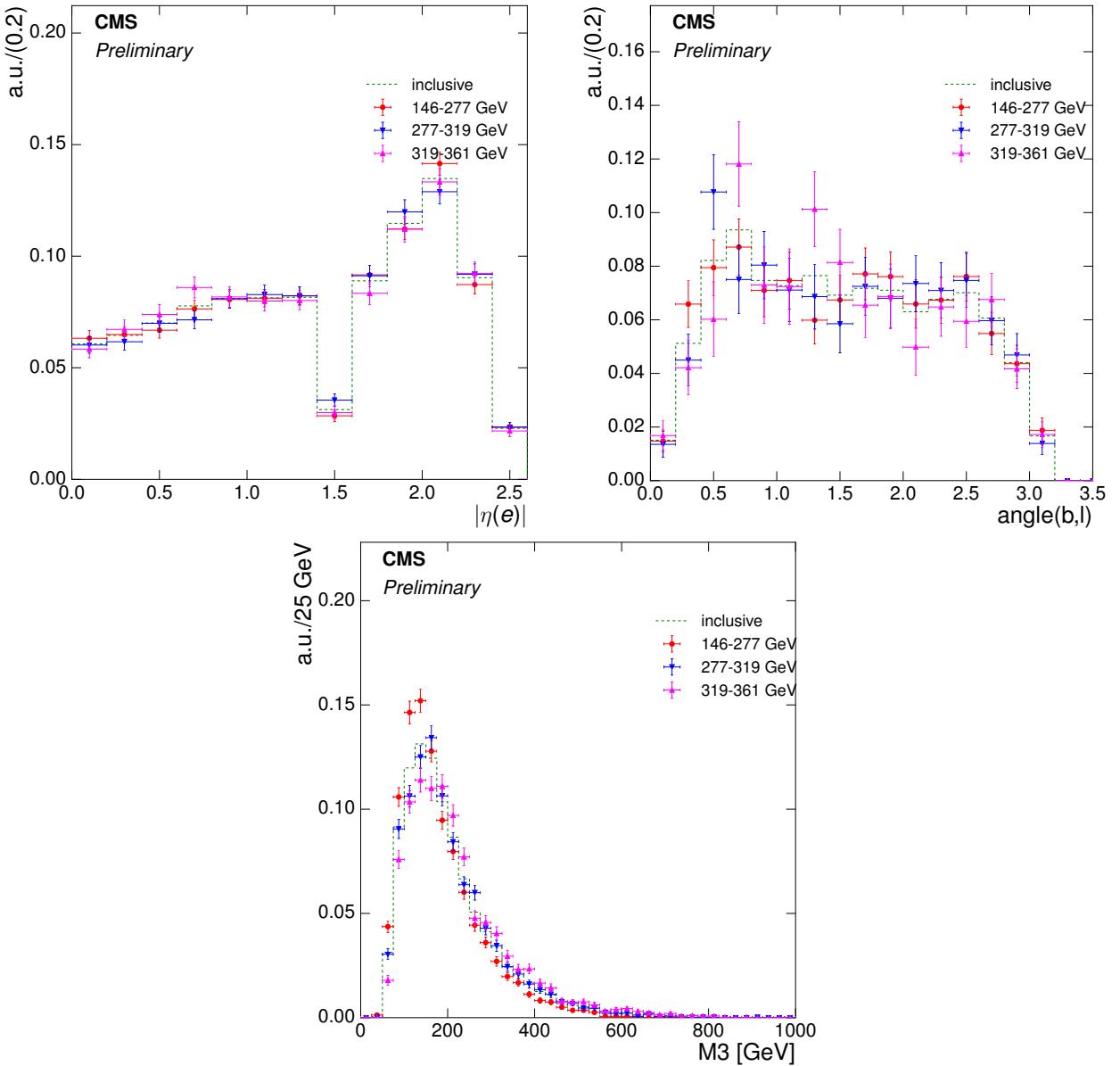


Figure A.12: Normalised distributions of the QCD templates for the three fit variables at $\sqrt{s} = 8 \text{ TeV}$ inclusive across all S_T bins and for the lowest three S_T bins in the electron+jets channel: electron $|\eta|$ (upper left), α (upper right) and M_3 (lower right).

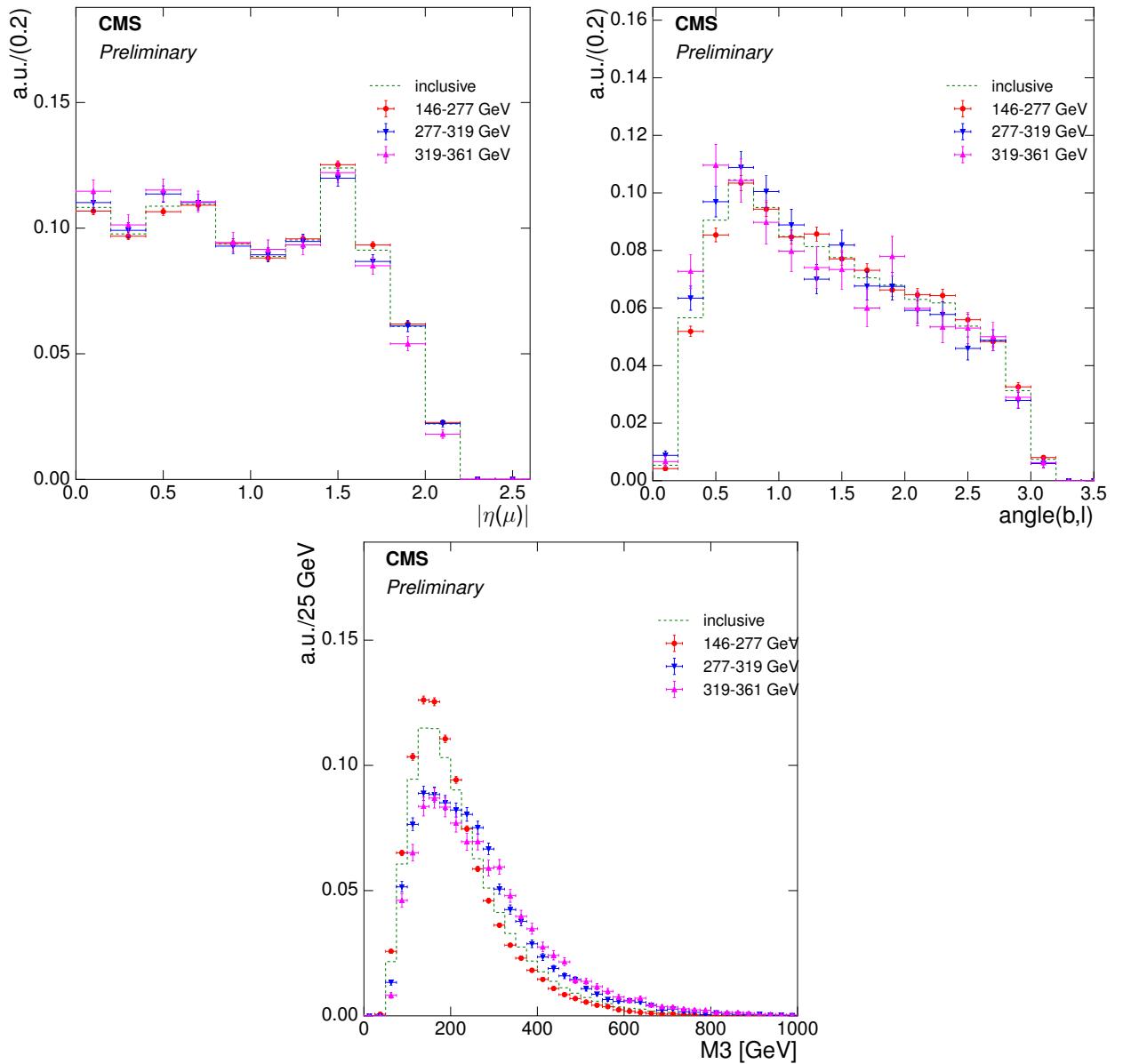


Figure A.13: Normalised distributions of the QCD templates for the three fit variables at $\sqrt{s} = 8 \text{ TeV}$ inclusive across all S_T bins and for the lowest three S_T bins in the muon+jets channel: muon $|\eta|$ (upper left), α (upper right) and M_3 (lower right).

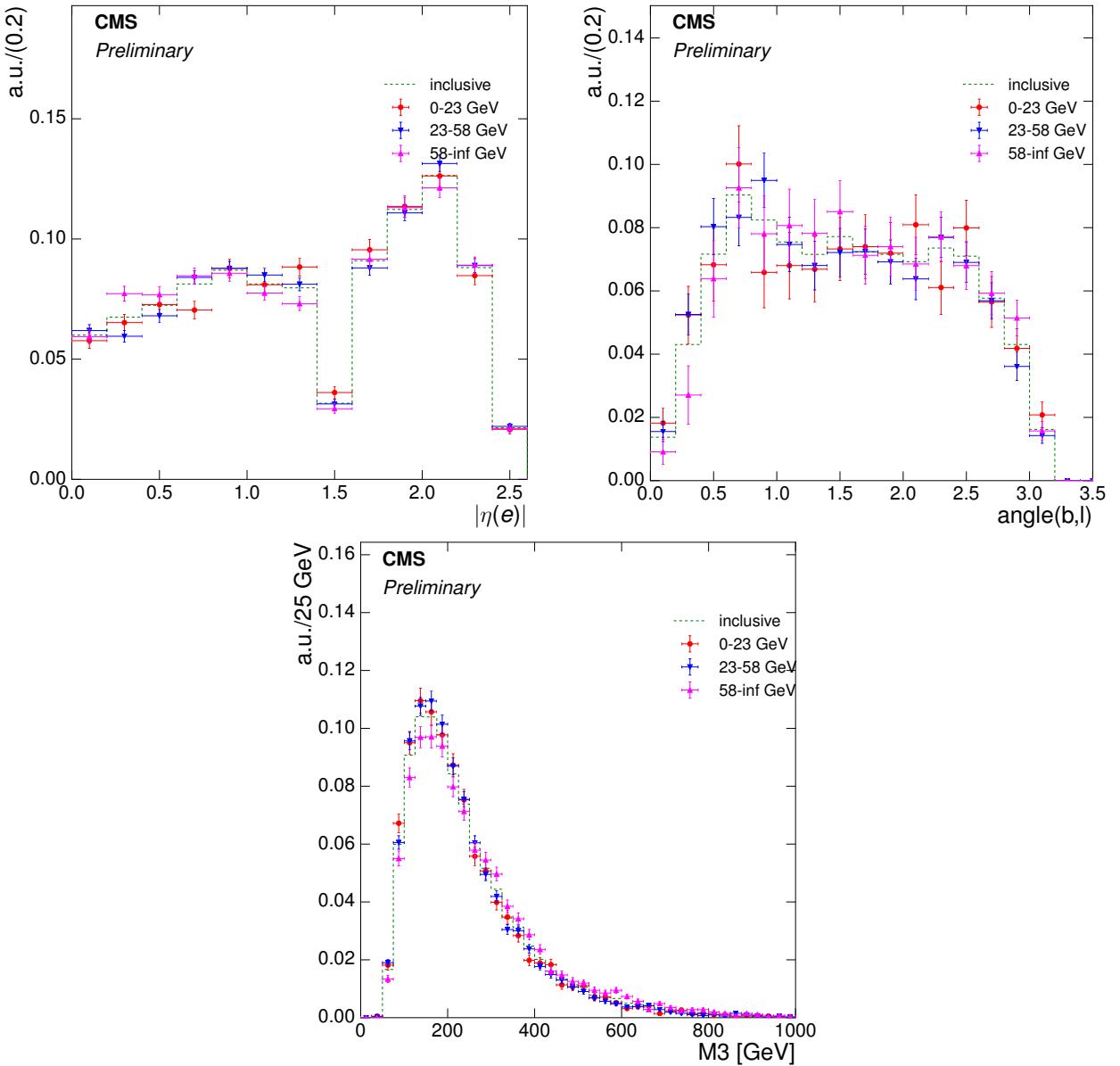


Figure A.14: Normalised distributions of the QCD templates for the three fit variables at $\sqrt{s} = 8 \text{ TeV}$ inclusive across all M_T^W bins and for the lowest three M_T^W bins in the electron+jets channel: electron $|\eta|$ (upper left), α (upper right) and M_3 (lower right).

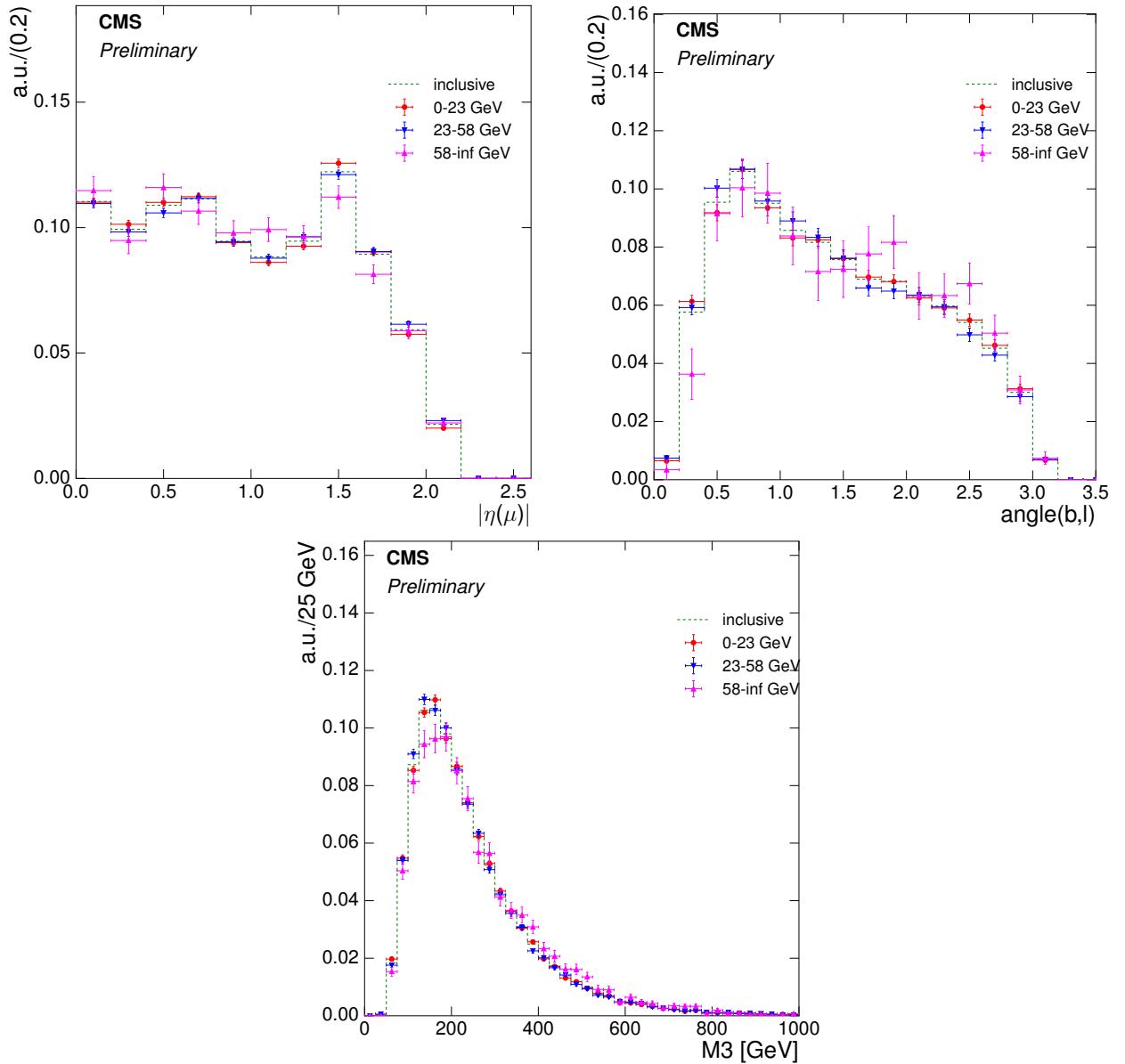


Figure A.15: Normalised distributions of the QCD templates for the three fit variables at $\sqrt{s} = 8 \text{ TeV}$ inclusive across all M_T^W bins and for the lowest three M_T^W bins in the muon+jets channel: muon $|\eta|$ (upper left), α (upper right) and M_3 (lower right).

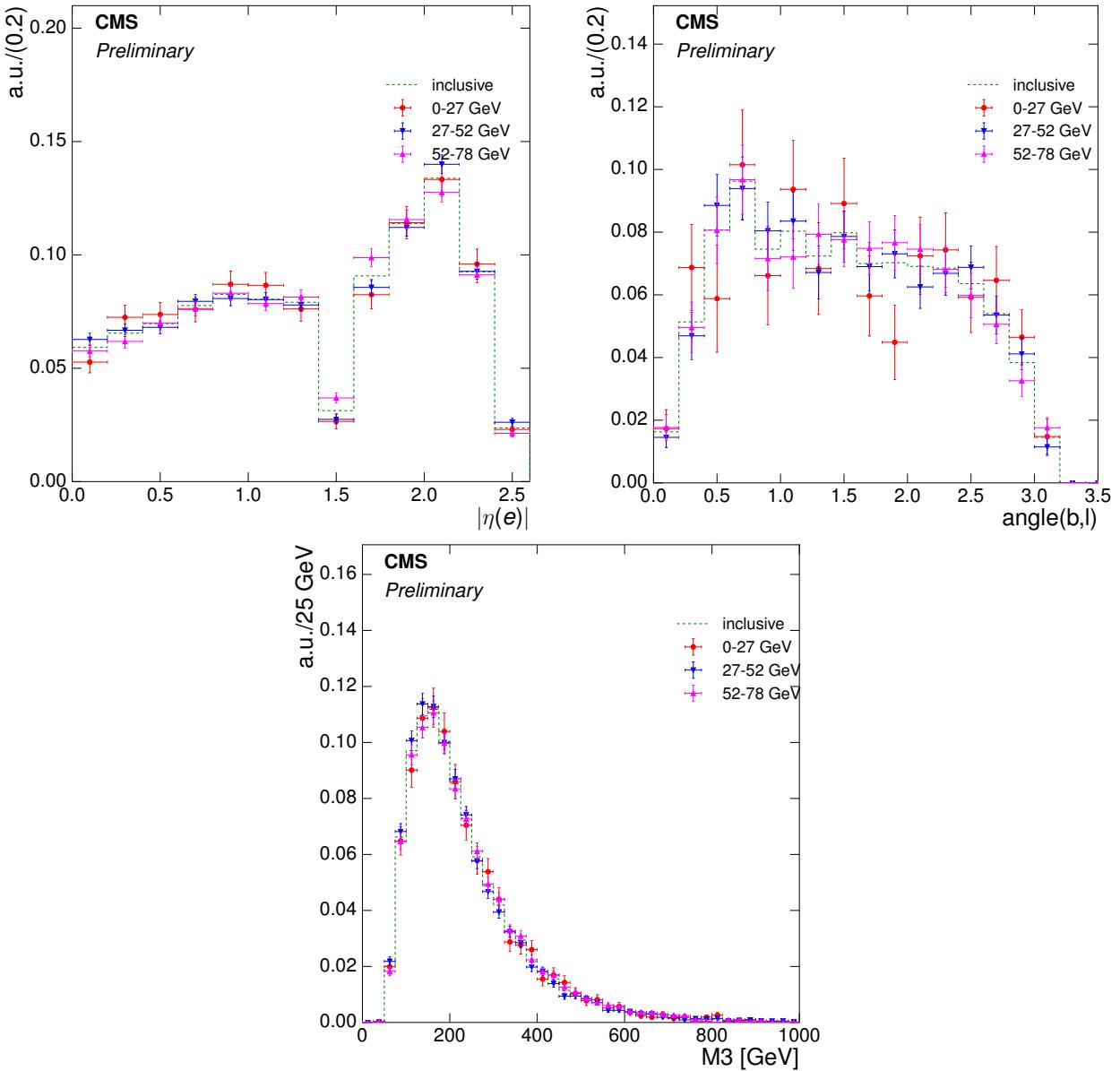


Figure A.16: Normalised distributions of the QCD templates for the three fit variables at $\sqrt{s} = 8 \text{ TeV}$ inclusive across all p_T^W bins and for the lowest three p_T^W bins in the electron+jets channel: electron $|\eta|$ (upper left), α (upper right) and $M3$ (lower right).

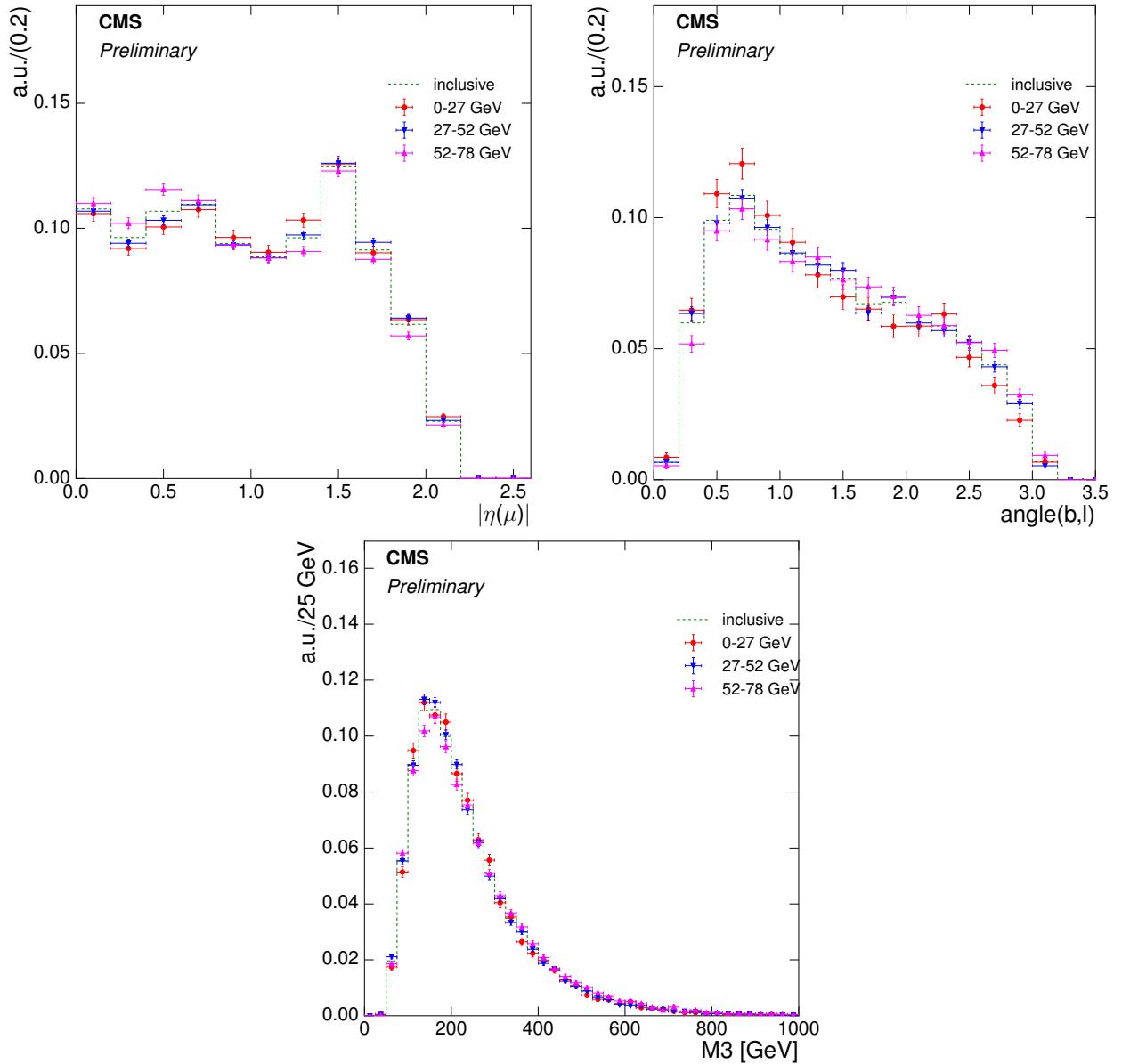


Figure A.17: Normalised distributions of the QCD templates for the three fit variables at $\sqrt{s} = 8 \text{ TeV}$ inclusive across all p_T^W bins and for the lowest three p_T^W bins in the muon+jets channel: muon $|\eta|$ (upper left), α (upper right) and M_3 (lower right).

A.7 Fitting variable V+jets background template comparisons

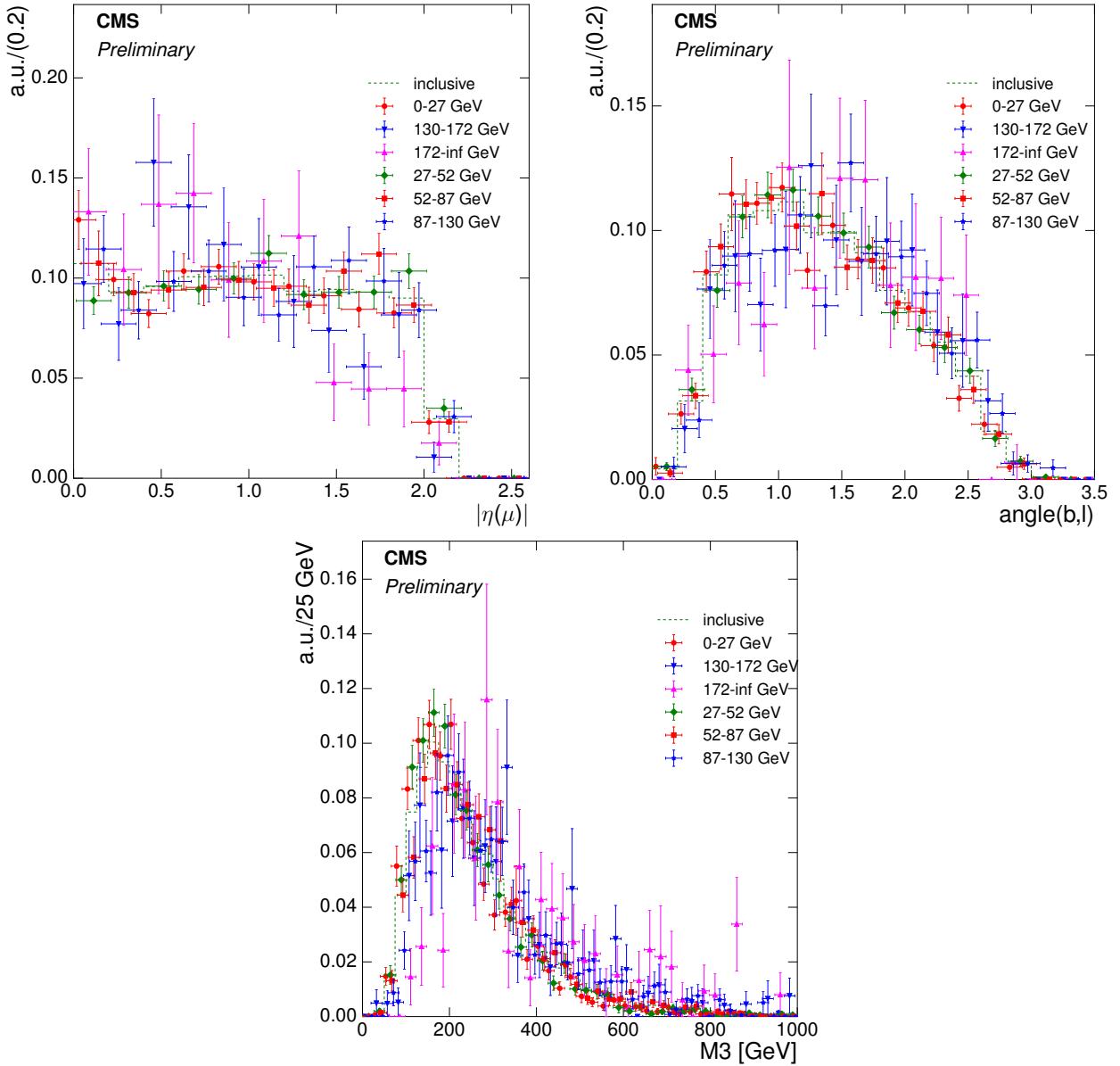


Figure A.18: Normalised distributions of the V+jets templates for the three fit variables at $\sqrt{s} = 8$ TeV inclusive across all E_T^{miss} bins and for the lowest three E_T^{miss} bins in the muon+jets channel: muon $|\eta|$ (upper left), α (upper right) and M_3 (lower).

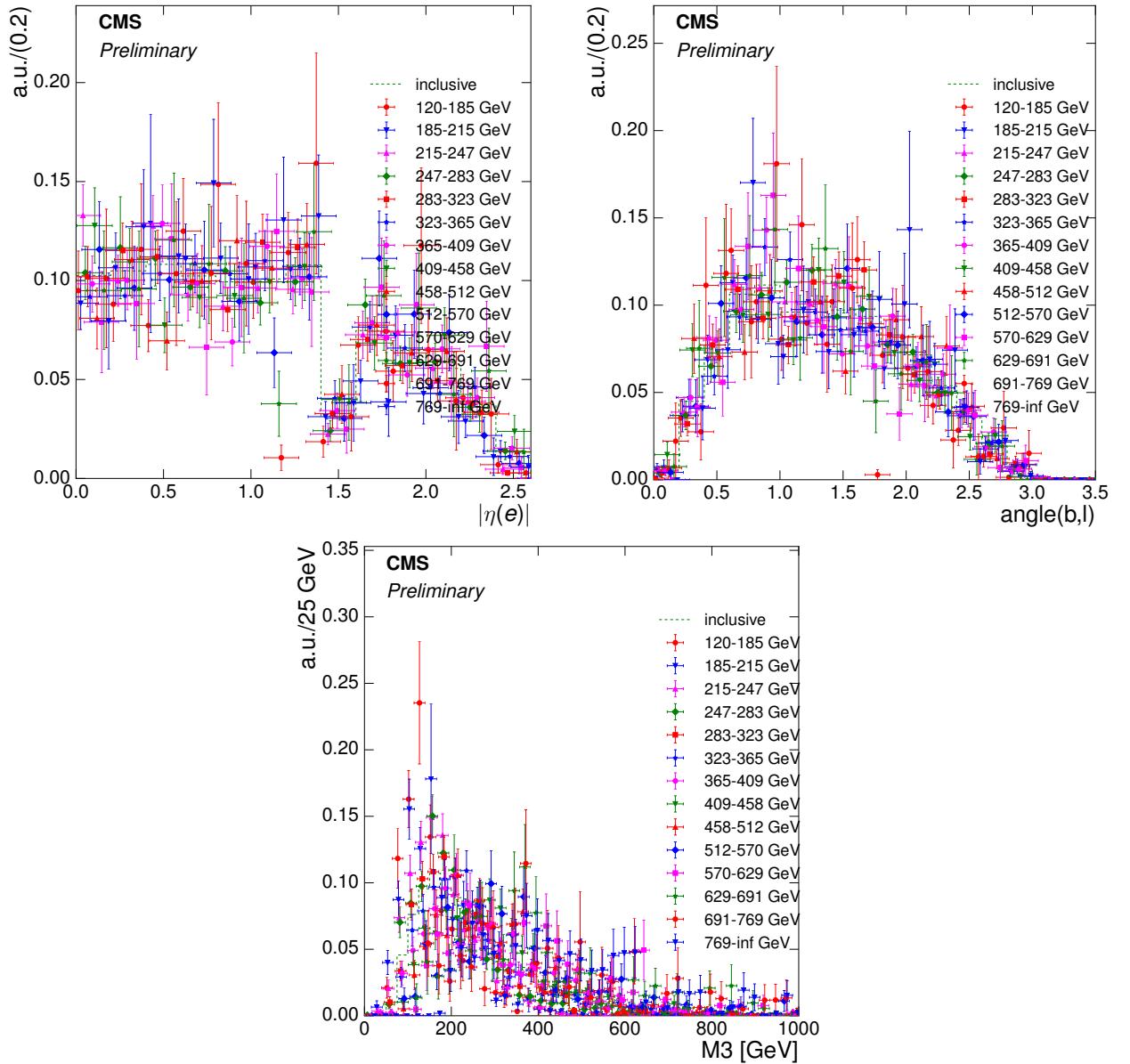


Figure A.19: Normalised distributions of the V+jets templates for the three fit variables at $\sqrt{s} = 8$ TeV inclusive across all H_T bins and for individual H_T bins in the electron+jets channel: electron $|\eta|$ (upper left), muon $|\eta|$ (upper right), α (lower left) and M_3 (lower right).

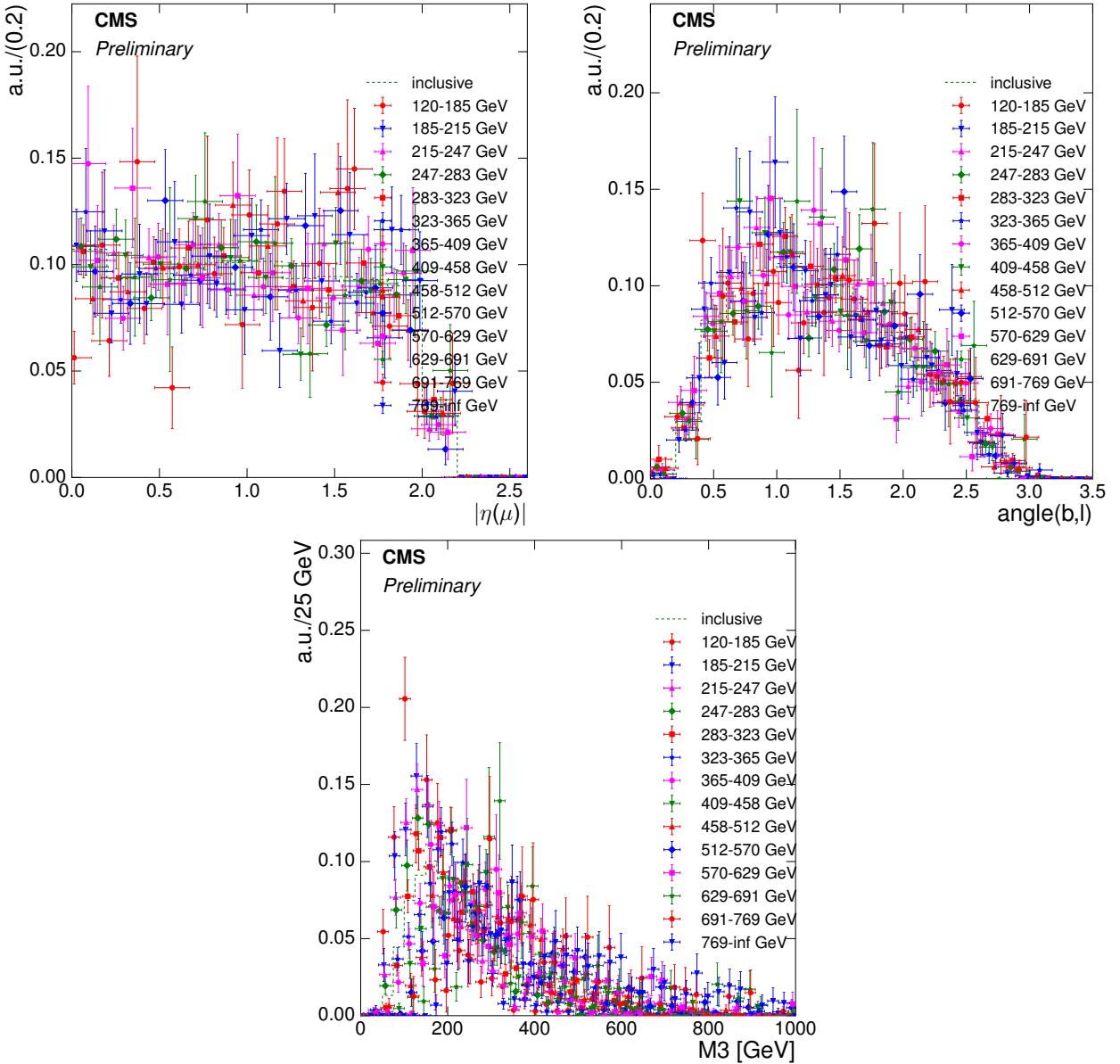


Figure A.20: Normalised distributions of the V+jets templates for the three fit variables at $\sqrt{s} = 8$ TeV inclusive across all H_T bins and for individual H_T bins in the muon+jets channel: muon $|\eta|$ (upper left), muon $|\eta|$ (upper right), α (lower left) and M_3 (lower right).

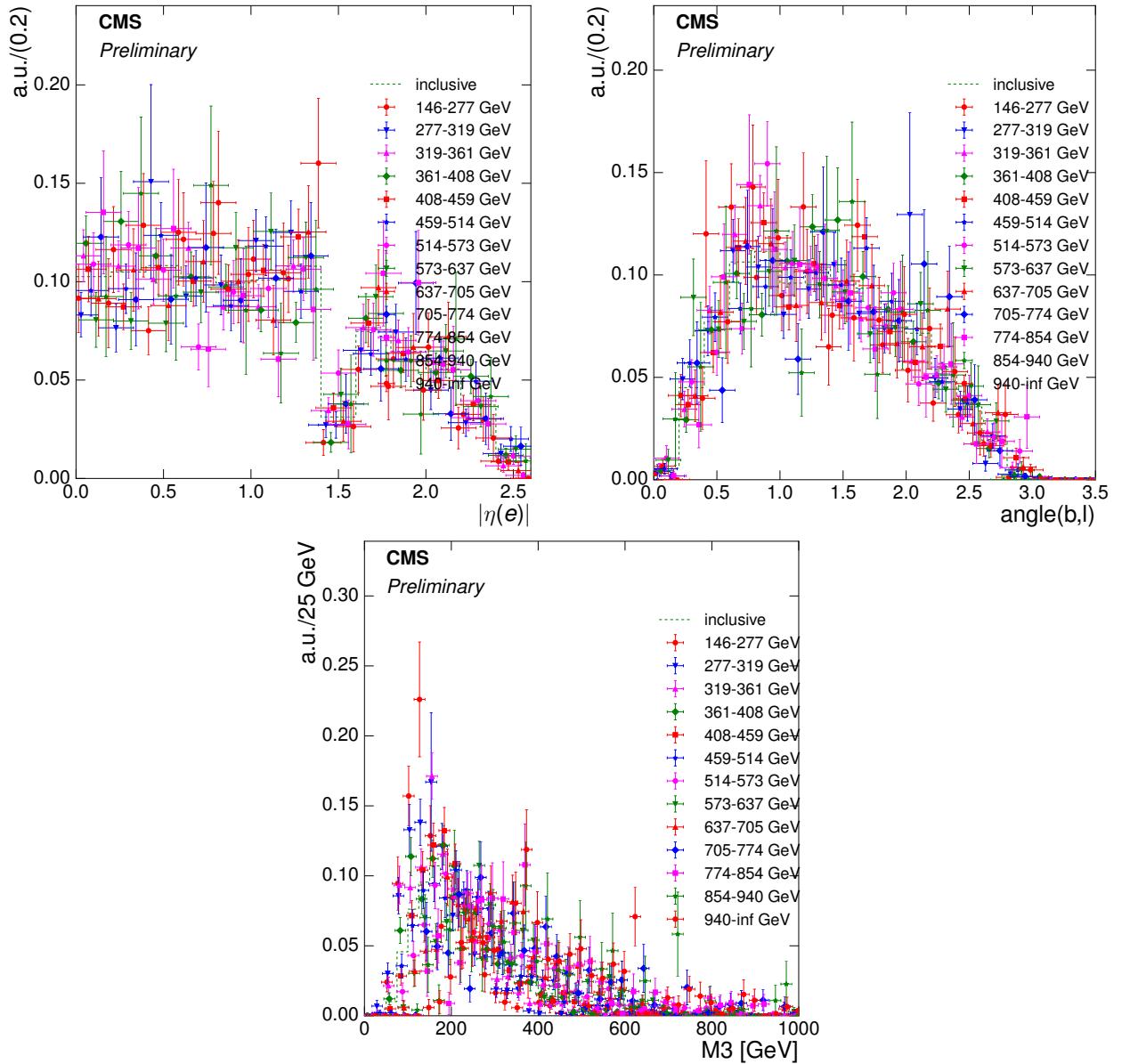


Figure A.21: Normalised distributions of the V+jets templates for the three fit variables at $\sqrt{s} = 8$ TeV inclusive across all S_T bins and for individual S_T bins in the electron+jets channel: electron $|\eta|$ (upper left), muon $|\eta|$ (upper right), α (lower left) and M_3 (lower right).

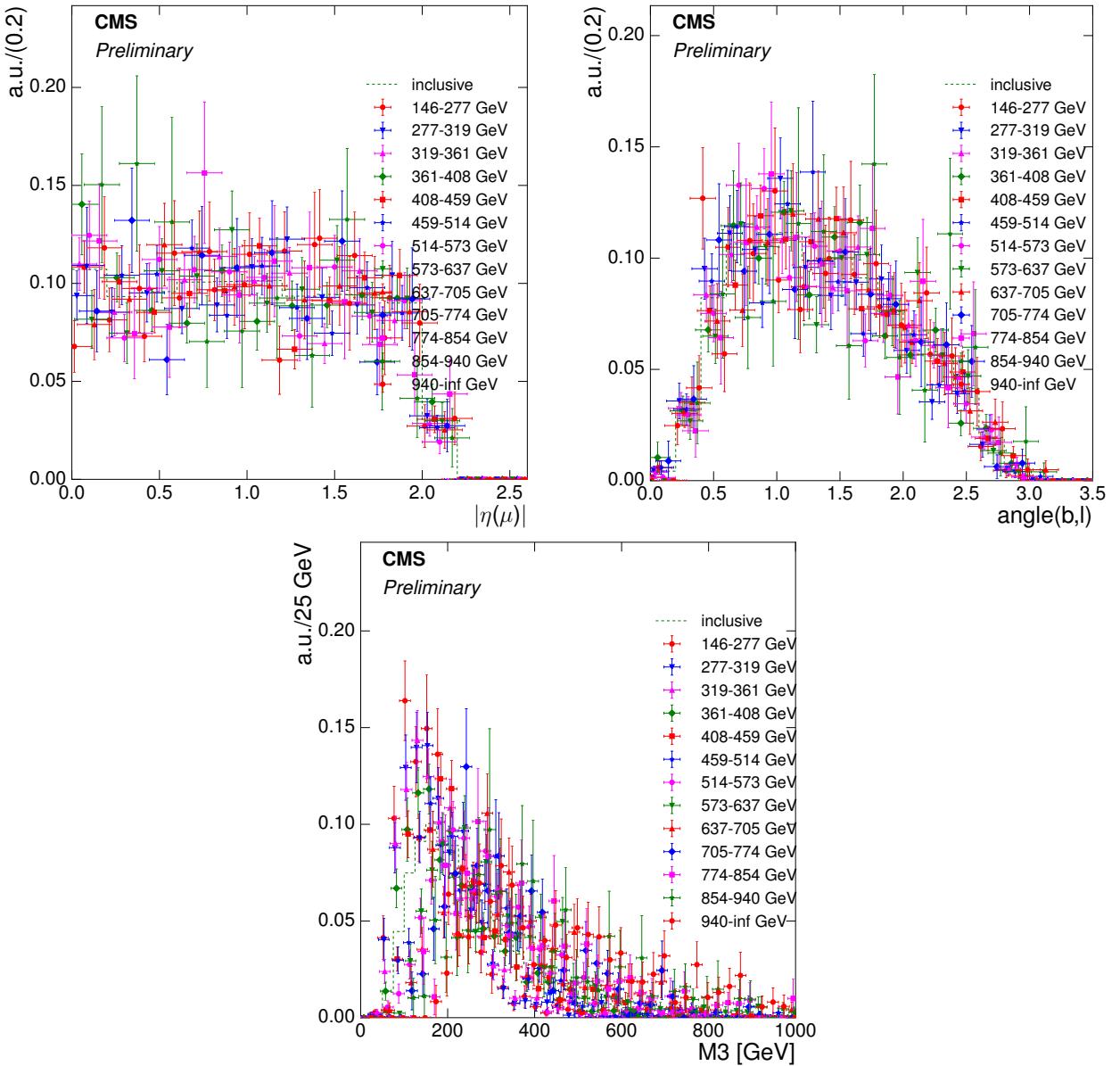


Figure A.22: Normalised distributions of the V+jets templates for the three fit variables at $\sqrt{s} = 8 \text{ TeV}$ inclusive across all S_T bins and for individual S_T bins in the muon+jets channel: muon $|\eta|$ (upper left), α (upper right) and $M3$ (lower right).

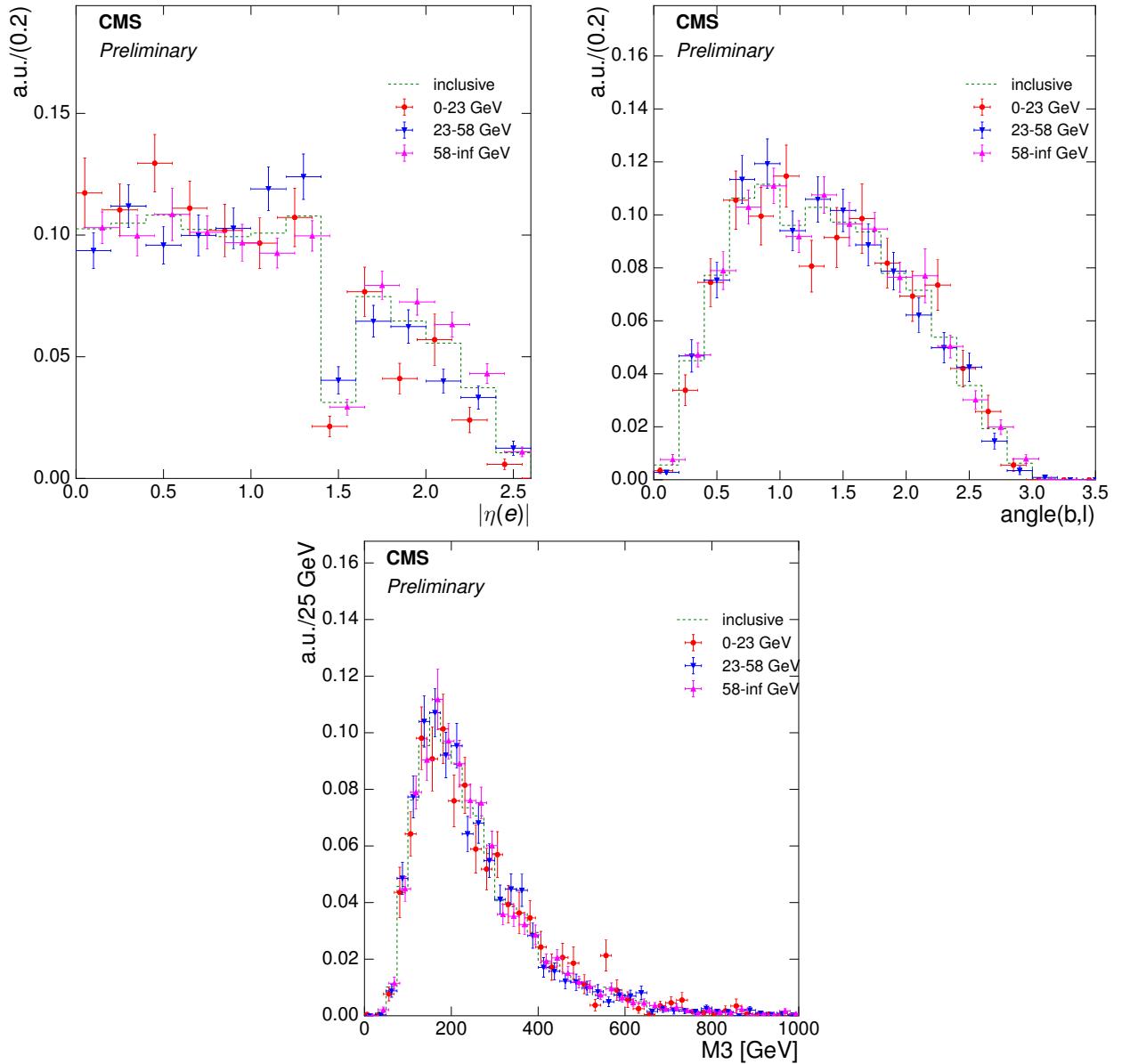


Figure A.23: Normalised distributions of the V+jets templates for the three fit variables at $\sqrt{s} = 8 \text{ TeV}$ inclusive across all M_T^W bins and for individual M_T^W bins in the electron+jets channel: electron $|\eta|$ (upper left), α (upper right) and M_3 (lower).

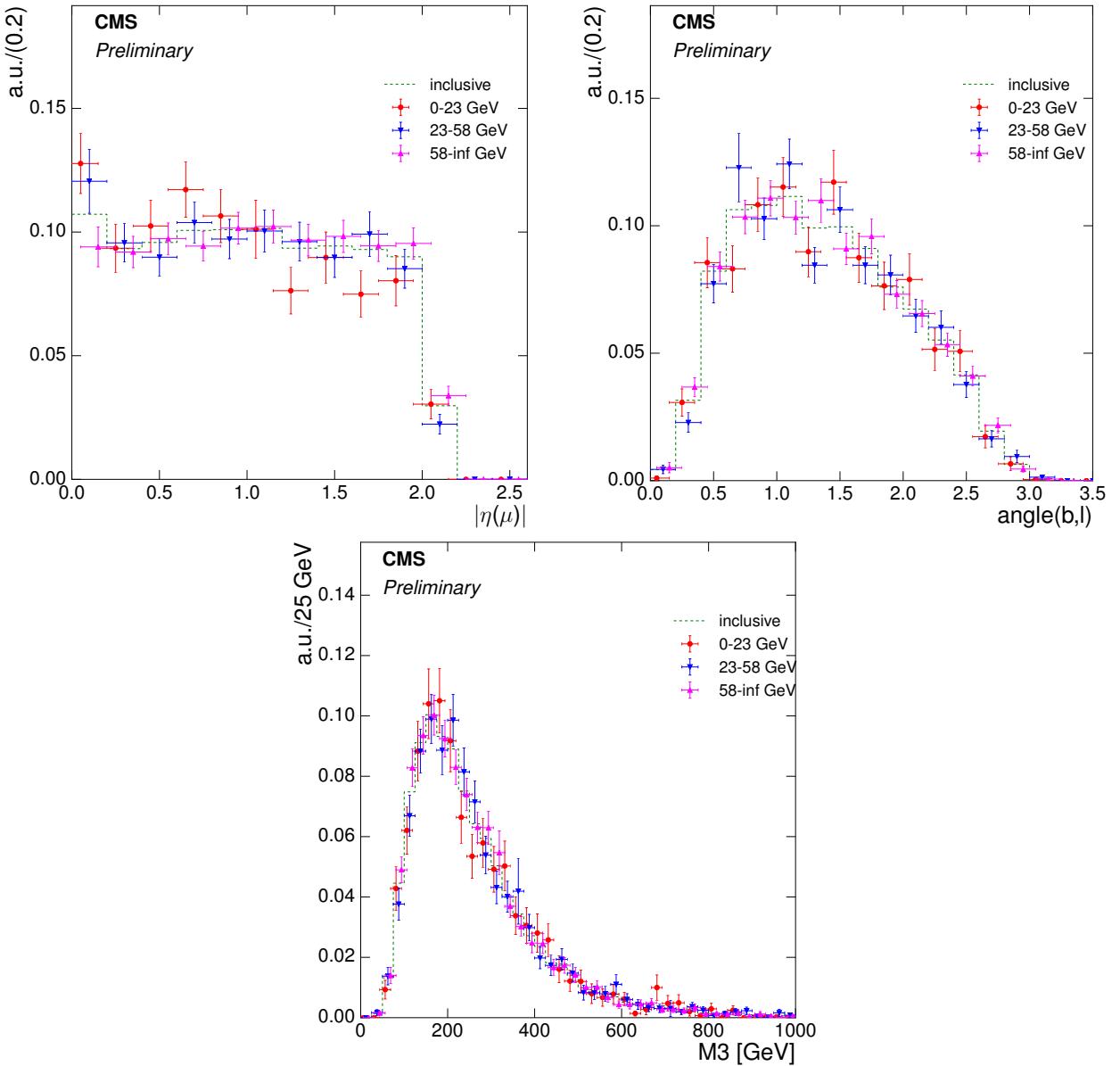


Figure A.24: Normalised distributions of the V+jets templates for the three fit variables at $\sqrt{s} = 8$ TeV inclusive across all M_T^W bins and for individual M_T^W bins in the muon+jets channel: muon $|\eta|$ (upper left), α (upper right) and M_3 (lower).

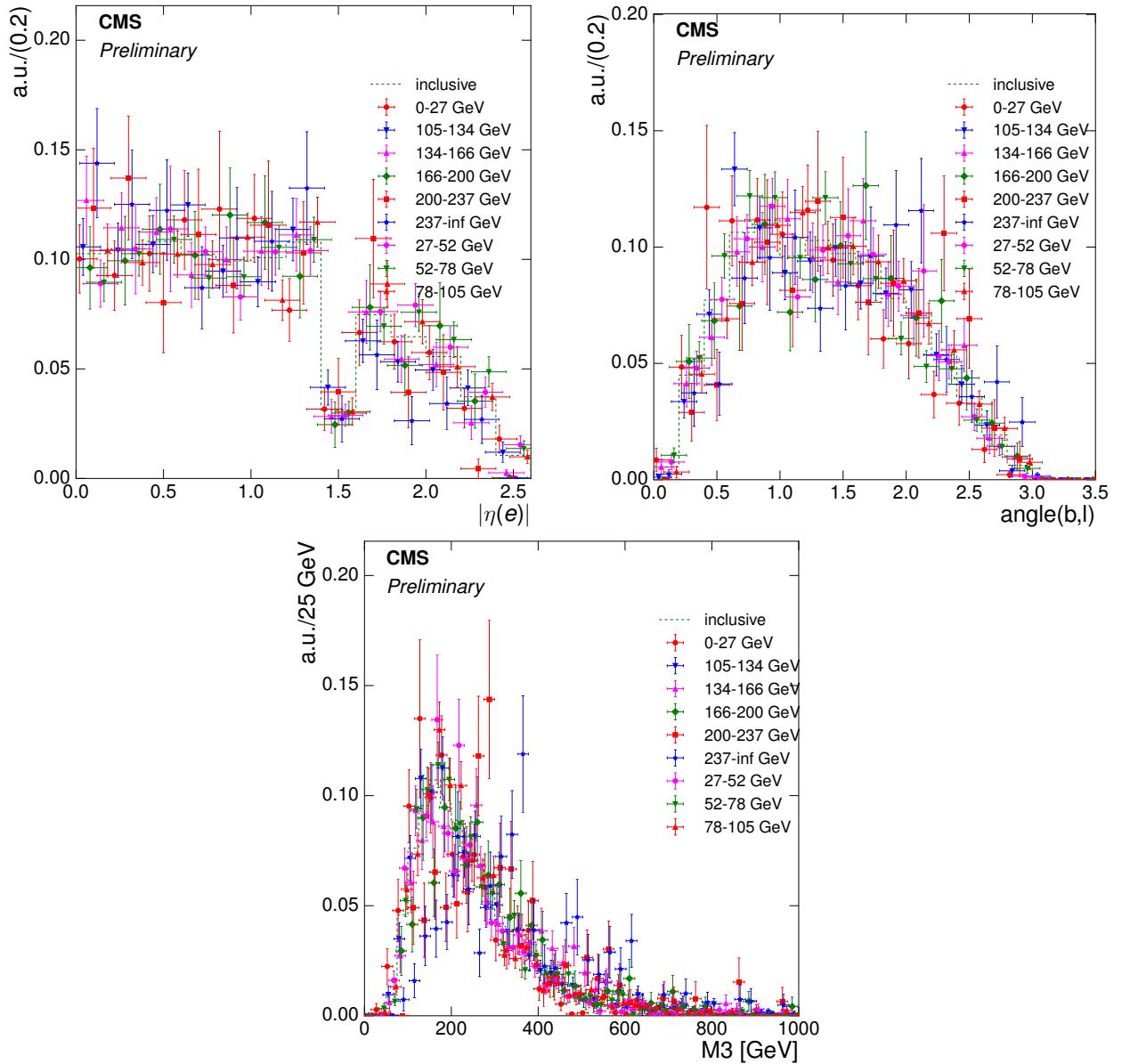


Figure A.25: Normalised distributions of the V+jets templates for the three fit variables at $\sqrt{s} = 8$ TeV inclusive across all p_T^W bins and for individual p_T^W bins in the electron+jets channel: electron $|\eta|$ (upper left), α (upper right) and M_3 (lower).

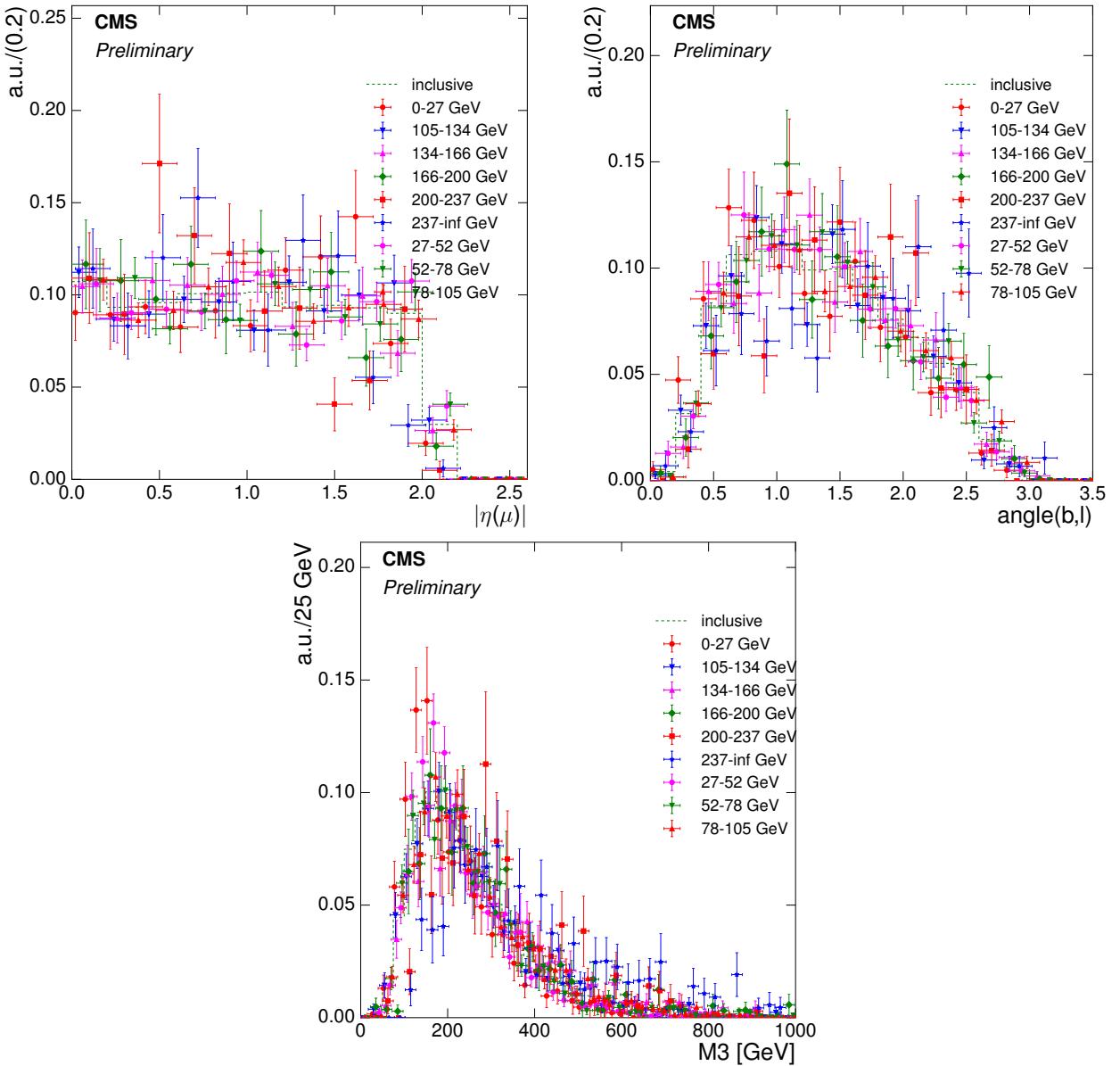


Figure A.26: Normalised distributions of the V+jets templates for the three fit variables at $\sqrt{s} = 8$ TeV inclusive across all p_T^W bins and for individual p_T^W bins in the muon+jets channel: muon $|\eta|$ (upper left), α (upper right) and M_3 (lower).

A.8 Fit Results Tables

Table A.8: Fit results for the E_T^{miss} variable at a centre-of-mass energy of 7 TeV (electron channel).

Process	0–27 GeV	27–52 GeV	52–87 GeV	87–130 GeV	130–172 GeV	≥ 172 GeV	Total
t̄t in	2526.0 ± 41.1	4512.2 ± 54.0	4013.3 ± 55.7	1725.2 ± 33.3	518.4 ± 18.5	287.8 ± 12.2	13582.9 ± 214.8
t̄t fit	2444.9 ± 90.2	3902.5 ± 159.0	3610.7 ± 148.6	1447.3 ± 83.5	366.1 ± 34.8	202.0 ± 24.1	11973.6 ± 540.2
Single-Top in	82.4 ± 6.7	143.2 ± 8.9	120.1 ± 7.7	50.5 ± 4.9	19.6 ± 3.1	12.0 ± 2.1	427.8 ± 33.4
Single-Top fit	0.0 ± 381.7	341.0 ± 197.4	212.6 ± 181.9	82.4 ± 88.3	59.3 ± 33.1	57.1 ± 21.2	752.3 ± 903.6
W/Z + jets in	121.0 ± 8.7	138.7 ± 9.9	82.9 ± 5.9	30.9 ± 2.2	12.8 ± 0.9	9.4 ± 0.7	395.7 ± 28.3
W/Z + jets fit	403.7 ± 125.3	342.4 ± 110.5	160.7 ± 105.0	109.3 ± 58.0	0.0 ± 40.5	4.9 ± 13.6	1021.0 ± 452.9
QCD in	323.3 ± 15.0	242.9 ± 11.3	9.0 ± 0.4	1.3 ± 0.1	1.0 ± 0.0	1.0 ± 0.0	578.5 ± 26.8
QCD fit	31.4 ± 56.6	0.0 ± 25.7	0.0 ± 88.1	0.0 ± 15.5	13.6 ± 11.0	0.0 ± 82.7	45.1 ± 279.6
Sum MC in	3052.7 ± 71.5	5037.0 ± 84.1	4225.3 ± 69.7	1807.8 ± 40.5	551.8 ± 22.6	310.3 ± 15.0	14984.9 ± 303.4
Sum MC fit	2880.0 ± 653.8	4586.0 ± 492.5	3984.0 ± 523.6	1639.0 ± 245.3	439.0 ± 119.5	264.0 ± 141.6	13792.0 ± 2176.3
Data	2880.0 ± 180.1	4586.0 ± 226.1	3984.0 ± 207.8	1639.0 ± 132.0	439.0 ± 66.7	264.0 ± 49.6	13792.0 ± 862.2

Table A.9: Fit results for the E_T^{miss} variable at a centre-of-mass energy of 7 TeV (muon channel).

Process	0–27 GeV	27–52 GeV	52–87 GeV	87–130 GeV	130–172 GeV	≥ 172 GeV	Total
t̄t in	2697.6 ± 41.5	4877.4 ± 57.9	4542.1 ± 52.0	1983.5 ± 34.2	594.9 ± 18.8	320.7 ± 13.0	15016.1 ± 217.4
t̄t fit	2026.2 ± 122.4	3800.8 ± 157.6	3729.3 ± 145.1	1475.9 ± 85.8	413.7 ± 39.0	200.7 ± 24.9	11646.6 ± 574.9
Single-Top in	88.4 ± 6.7	150.6 ± 8.4	138.4 ± 8.4	57.6 ± 5.1	20.1 ± 3.0	13.9 ± 2.3	468.9 ± 33.9
Single-Top fit	269.5 ± 150.0	397.2 ± 203.6	200.9 ± 164.4	83.5 ± 88.4	21.4 ± 33.7	35.3 ± 24.2	1007.8 ± 664.1
W/Z + jets in	107.9 ± 6.4	144.1 ± 8.6	103.6 ± 6.2	39.0 ± 2.3	11.5 ± 0.7	10.5 ± 0.6	416.5 ± 24.8
W/Z + jets fit	178.6 ± 119.9	198.1 ± 116.8	28.8 ± 101.6	43.6 ± 62.1	0.0 ± 35.8	9.0 ± 15.9	458.0 ± 452.1
QCD in	122.6 ± 5.1	22.6 ± 0.9	34.9 ± 1.5	0.1 ± 0.0	0.1 ± 0.0	0.1 ± 0.0	180.4 ± 7.5
QCD fit	4.7 ± 335.7	0.0 ± 370.4	0.0 ± 714.2	0.0 ± 253.2	10.9 ± 20.4	0.0 ± 18.8	15.6 ± 1712.7
Sum MC in	3016.5 ± 59.8	5194.7 ± 75.9	4819.1 ± 68.1	2080.2 ± 41.6	626.5 ± 22.4	345.1 ± 15.9	16082.0 ± 283.7
Sum MC fit	2479.0 ± 727.9	4396.1 ± 848.5	3959.0 ± 1125.3	1603.0 ± 489.5	446.0 ± 128.9	245.0 ± 83.8	13128.1 ± 3403.9
Data	2479.0 ± 159.2	4396.0 ± 211.6	3959.0 ± 200.7	1603.0 ± 126.7	446.0 ± 65.9	245.0 ± 46.9	13128.0 ± 811.0

Table A.10: Fit results for the H_T variable at a centre-of-mass energy of 7 TeV (electron channel).

Process	120–185 GeV	185–215 GeV	215–247 GeV	247–283 GeV	283–323 GeV	323–365 GeV	365–409 GeV	409–458 GeV	458–512 GeV	512–570 GeV	570–629 GeV	629–691 GeV	691–769 GeV	≥ 769 GeV	Total
t̄t in	220.2 ± 11.4	769.6 ± 24.0	1478.9 ± 29.9	2001.7 ± 40.5	2101.2 ± 37.0	1827.6 ± 37.5	1451.0 ± 31.1	1176.7 ± 25.8	868.9 ± 23.5	602.5 ± 18.7	384.4 ± 14.7	257.2 ± 11.9	193.0 ± 10.5	249.9 ± 12.1	13582.9 ± 328.7
t̄t fit	197.0 ± 42.8	705.9 ± 72.2	1399.3 ± 91.5	1998.6 ± 110.9	1782.1 ± 89.0	1533.8 ± 71.0	1235.2 ± 66.6	934.0 ± 67.5	671.5 ± 49.7	533.4 ± 47.5	342.1 ± 34.4	200.0 ± 23.6	152.7 ± 20.1	188.2 ± 29.3	11873.8 ± 816.0
Single-Top in	12.9 ± 2.5	32.2 ± 4.2	49.4 ± 5.0	59.5 ± 5.7	64.1 ± 5.9	53.3 ± 5.4	41.4 ± 4.6	33.6 ± 4.0	27.2 ± 3.6	18.2 ± 2.9	13.0 ± 2.6	7.7 ± 1.8	6.2 ± 1.7	9.2 ± 2.0	427.8 ± 51.7
Single-Top fit	106.7 ± 45.0	120.0 ± 83.5	239.4 ± 101.8	13.1 ± 367.3	109.0 ± 121.5	48.5 ± 88.6	64.8 ± 68.8	134.0 ± 68.1	82.5 ± 46.9	31.4 ± 40.3	28.1 ± 30.7	7.2 ± 19.0	11.3 ± 18.0	45.6 ± 27.5	1041.6 ± 1127.1
W/Z + jets in	24.2 ± 1.7	34.0 ± 2.4	47.4 ± 3.4	47.3 ± 3.4	50.7 ± 3.6	43.5 ± 3.1	34.8 ± 2.5	31.8 ± 2.3	24.2 ± 1.7	22.0 ± 1.6	14.1 ± 1.0	6.1 ± 0.4	6.6 ± 0.5	9.1 ± 0.7	395.7 ± 28.3
W/Z + jets fit	0.0 ± 16.7	14.2 ± 47.5	10.2 ± 33.9	181.3 ± 65.1	218.9 ± 76.0	174.6 ± 65.4	21.3 ± 99.6	55.0 ± 36.8	50.0 ± 29.4	11.2 ± 41.9	7.8 ± 16.3	30.8 ± 14.2	0.0 ± 13.1	0.0 ± 16.6	775.4 ± 572.6
QCD in	0.3 ± 0.0	102.4 ± 4.7	46.5 ± 2.2	193.7 ± 9.0	82.0 ± 3.8	86.8 ± 4.0	13.2 ± 0.6	17.5 ± 0.8	2.8 ± 0.1	4.6 ± 0.2	13.1 ± 0.6	5.5 ± 0.3	2.0 ± 0.1	6.0 ± 0.3	576.5 ± 26.7
QCD fit	13.4 ± 10.8	11.9 ± 29.5	0.0 ± 69.3	0.0 ± 14.8	0.0 ± 90.2	0.0 ± 36.5	50.7 ± 40.1	0.0 ± 18.6	0.0 ± 10.9	17.9 ± 19.9	0.0 ± 6.9	0.0 ± 5.1	0.0 ± 1.9	7.2 ± 5.8	101.1 ± 360.4
Sum MC in	257.7 ± 15.6	938.2 ± 35.3	1622.1 ± 40.4	2302.1 ± 58.5	2298.0 ± 50.4	2011.2 ± 50.0	1540.4 ± 38.8	1259.6 ± 32.9	923.2 ± 28.9	647.3 ± 23.4	424.6 ± 19.0	276.5 ± 14.4	207.7 ± 12.8	274.1 ± 15.0	14982.9 ± 435.5
Sum MC fit	317.0 ± 115.4	852.0 ± 232.7	1649.0 ± 296.6	2193.0 ± 558.0	2110.0 ± 376.7	1757.0 ± 261.5	1372.0 ± 275.0	1123.0 ± 191.1	804.0 ± 136.8	594.0 ± 149.6	378.0 ± 88.3	238.0 ± 61.9	164.0 ± 53.1	241.0 ± 79.2	13791.9 ± 2876.0
Data	317.0 ± 61.1	852.0 ± 97.6	1649.0 ± 135.2	2193.0 ± 155.3	2110.0 ± 153.2	1757.0 ± 139.5	1372.0 ± 122.7	1123.0 ± 109.6	804.0 ± 92.2	594.0 ± 79.5	378.0 ± 62.2	238.0 ± 49.8	164.0 ± 38.8	241.0 ± 49.6	13792.0 ± 1346.4

Table A.11: Fit results for the H_T variable at a centre-of-mass energy of 7 TeV (muon channel).

Process	120–185 GeV	185–215 GeV	215–247 GeV	247–283 GeV	283–323 GeV	323–365 GeV	365–409 GeV	409–458 GeV	458–512 GeV	512–570 GeV	570–629 GeV	629–691 GeV	691–769 GeV	≥ 769 GeV	Total
t̄t in	253.7 ± 12.0	882.4 ± 22.4	1711.4 ± 31.2	2273.6 ± 37.9	2358.3 ± 40.4	2019.1 ± 35.9	1586.2 ± 34.1	1258.0 ± 27.4	916.9 ± 22.6	636.0 ± 18.5	400.4 ± 14.8	269.7 ± 13.0	196.2 ± 10.4	254.3 ± 12.5	15016.1 ± 333.1
t̄t fit	337.9 ± 18.7	839.0 ± 104.1	1394.6 ± 101.4	1883.0 ± 101.4	1937.2 ± 79.3	1498.0 ± 81.8	1100.7 ± 63.9	901.6 ± 55.1	595.8 ± 48.0	450.8 ± 38.7	253.6 ± 33.4	146.6 ± 24.4	112.7 ± 20.9	127.1 ± 28.9	11578.5 ± 799.9
Single-Top in	17.4 ± 3.2	35.4 ± 4.0	56.1 ± 5.3	63.2 ± 5.6	67.6 ± 6.1	55.0 ± 5.0	46.4 ± 4.6	37.4 ± 4.1	29.4 ± 3.7	19.8 ± 2.9	13.5 ± 2.4	8.0 ± 1.8	8.1 ± 1.9	11.6 ± 2.2	468.9 ± 52.8
Single-Top fit	0.0 ± 46.2	61.1 ± 110.5	90.4 ± 135.6	121.0 ± 119.8	86.6 ± 93.2	279.0 ± 77.9	157.3 ± 60.1	94.4 ± 51.2	99.2 ± 45.2	63.9 ± 35.5	50.4 ± 31.7	34.2 ± 21.9	29.0 ± 18.5	70.9 ± 28.3	1237.3 ± 875.6
W/Z + jets in	26.6 ± 1.6	37.5 ± 2.2	49.4 ± 2.9	52.9 ± 3.2	57.4 ± 3.4	47.0 ± 2.8	36.9 ± 2.2	30.0 ± 1.8	25.3 ± 1.5	17.5 ± 1.0	9.8 ± 0.6	8.1 ± 0.5	6.3 ± 0.4	11.6 ± 0.7	416.5 ± 24.8
W/Z + jets fit	0.0 ± 39.9	21.9 ± 25.0	32.3 ± 101.5	12.6 ± 248.9	62.7 ± 92.7	0.0 ± 149.0	0.0 ± 108.6	0.0 ± 36.1	0.0 ± 100.7	0.0 ± 18.6	0.0 ± 47.9	4.9 ± 50.0	7.3 ± 8.9	0.0 ± 5.3	141.7 ± 1033.1
QCD in	12.2 ± 0.5	27.3 ± 1.2	30.0 ± 1.3	42.7 ± 1.9	21.7 ± 0.9	19.8 ± 0.9	19.6 ± 0.9	1.4 ± 0.1	1.6 ± 0.1	1.8 ± 0.1	0.8 ± 0.0	0.1 ± 0.0	1.1 ± 0.0	0.3 ± 0.0	180.3 ± 7.9
QCD fit	7.2 ± 13.5	0.0 ± 26.3	106.7 ± 87.2	24.3 ± 100.8	18.6 ± 69.4	0.0 ± 97.9	0.0 ± 42.7	0.0 ± 15.8	0.0 ± 14.0	3.3 ± 12.6	0.0 ± 10.2	10.4 ± 29.6	0.0 ± 24.4	0.0 ± 3.2	170.5 ± 547.6
Sum MC in	309.9 ± 17.3	982.6 ± 29.9	1846.9 ± 40.7	2432.4 ± 48.5	2505.0 ± 50.9	2140.8 ± 44.6	1689.0 ± 41.8	1326.8 ± 33.3	973.3 ± 27.9	675.1 ± 22.6	424.5 ± 17.8	286.0 ± 15.3	211.6 ± 12.7	277.7 ± 15.4	16081.9 ± 418.7
Sum MC fit	345.0 ± 118.3	922.0 ± 265.9	1624.0 ± 425.7	2041.0 ± 570.9	2105.0 ± 334.6	1777.0 ± 406.6	1258.0 ± 275.3	996.0 ± 158.1	695.0 ± 207.9	518.0 ± 105.4	304.0 ± 123.1	196.0 ± 125.9	149.0 ± 72.7	198.0 ± 65.6	13128.0 ± 3256.2
Data	345.0 ± 59.2	922.0 ± 97.6	1624.0 ± 129.6	2041.0 ± 143.7	2105.0 ± 146.0	1777.0 ± 133.9	1258.0 ± 112.8	996.0 ± 100.5	695.0 ± 83.3	518.0 ± 71.0	304.0 ± 53.8	196.0 ± 43.3	149.0 ± 38.4	198.0 ± 43.6	13128.0 ± 1256.8

Table A.12: Fit results for the S_T variable at a centre-of-mass energy of 7 TeV (electron channel).

Process	146–277 GeV	277–319 GeV	319–361 GeV	361–408 GeV	408–459 GeV	459–514 GeV	514–573 GeV	573–637 GeV	637–705 GeV	705–774 GeV	774–854 GeV	854–940 GeV	≥ 940 GeV	Total
t̄t in	243.0 \pm 12.7	925.4 \pm 23.2	1705.6 \pm 38.2	2198.3 \pm 38.3	2139.4 \pm 37.3	1836.8 \pm 38.1	1440.0 \pm 30.2	1057.2 \pm 25.5	726.1 \pm 20.4	466.2 \pm 15.8	341.3 \pm 14.1	210.2 \pm 10.4	293.3 \pm 12.9	13582.9 \pm 317.1
t̄t fit	247.0 \pm 46.2	1009.4 \pm 199.6	1619.0 \pm 97.4	2014.1 \pm 122.4	1943.0 \pm 83.4	1619.5 \pm 82.4	1108.8 \pm 66.6	795.9 \pm 64.0	623.0 \pm 41.9	344.9 \pm 71.7	261.2 \pm 26.4	185.7 \pm 22.8	185.8 \pm 26.5	11957.3 \pm 951.3
Single-Top in	15.1 \pm 2.8	34.2 \pm 4.1	56.1 \pm 5.5	61.8 \pm 5.8	62.6 \pm 6.0	54.6 \pm 5.4	40.9 \pm 4.4	31.9 \pm 3.6	23.8 \pm 3.4	16.4 \pm 2.8	11.1 \pm 2.2	7.4 \pm 1.8	11.9 \pm 2.2	427.8 \pm 50.1
Single-Top fit	70.6 \pm 53.4	0.0 \pm 2172.9	152.3 \pm 114.4	48.2 \pm 174.0	86.9 \pm 105.7	21.8 \pm 102.5	155.6 \pm 69.8	169.7 \pm 64.4	77.8 \pm 38.8	40.9 \pm 32.9	59.8 \pm 24.3	25.3 \pm 20.9	62.7 \pm 25.5	971.6 \pm 2999.4
W/Z + jets in	29.3 \pm 2.1	41.3 \pm 3.0	45.7 \pm 3.3	51.1 \pm 3.7	52.3 \pm 3.7	39.4 \pm 2.8	38.6 \pm 2.8	28.2 \pm 2.0	25.3 \pm 1.8	15.4 \pm 1.1	10.4 \pm 0.7	6.8 \pm 0.5	12.0 \pm 0.9	395.7 \pm 28.3
W/Z + jets fit	8.2 \pm 31.4	103.5 \pm 95.8	86.7 \pm 46.7	198.7 \pm 87.8	142.1 \pm 69.8	159.7 \pm 61.2	59.5 \pm 44.5	3.0 \pm 416.6	0.0 \pm 999.9	39.0 \pm 142.0	0.0 \pm 53.6	0.0 \pm 22.2	0.0 \pm 390.9	800.5 \pm 2462.5
QCD in	3.1 \pm 0.1	146.2 \pm 6.8	43.6 \pm 2.0	234.5 \pm 10.9	79.1 \pm 3.7	10.6 \pm 0.5	16.5 \pm 0.8	14.3 \pm 0.7	4.0 \pm 0.2	8.7 \pm 0.4	7.8 \pm 0.4	3.5 \pm 0.2	4.7 \pm 0.2	576.5 \pm 26.7
QCD fit	25.2 \pm 21.3	1.0 \pm 206.6	0.0 \pm 60.7	0.0 \pm 32.3	0.0 \pm 20.0	0.0 \pm 47.1	0.0 \pm 26.6	24.5 \pm 31.8	5.2 \pm 9.8	0.2 \pm 514.4	0.0 \pm 3.5	0.0 \pm 5.4	6.5 \pm 6.1	62.6 \pm 985.6
Sum MC in	290.4 \pm 17.7	1147.1 \pm 37.1	1851.0 \pm 49.0	2545.7 \pm 58.6	2333.4 \pm 50.7	1941.3 \pm 46.8	1536.0 \pm 38.2	1131.6 \pm 31.9	779.3 \pm 25.9	506.7 \pm 20.1	370.6 \pm 17.5	228.0 \pm 12.9	321.9 \pm 16.1	14982.9 \pm 422.3
Sum MC fit	351.0 \pm 152.3	1114.0 \pm 2674.9	1858.0 \pm 319.3	2261.0 \pm 416.5	2172.0 \pm 278.9	1801.0 \pm 293.3	1324.0 \pm 207.4	993.0 \pm 576.7	706.0 \pm 1090.5	425.0 \pm 760.9	321.0 \pm 107.8	211.0 \pm 71.3	255.0 \pm 449.1	13792.0 \pm 7398.8
Data	351.0 \pm 64.6	1114.0 \pm 113.2	1858.0 \pm 143.3	2261.0 \pm 158.2	2172.0 \pm 154.8	1801.0 \pm 141.3	1324.0 \pm 119.1	993.0 \pm 102.0	706.0 \pm 86.0	425.0 \pm 66.6	321.0 \pm 54.5	211.0 \pm 46.3	255.0 \pm 50.2	13792.0 \pm 1300.1

Table A.13: Fit results for the S_T variable at a centre-of-mass energy of 7 TeV (muon channel).

Process	146–277 GeV	277–319 GeV	319–361 GeV	361–408 GeV	408–459 GeV	459–514 GeV	514–573 GeV	573–637 GeV	637–705 GeV	705–774 GeV	774–854 GeV	854–940 GeV	≥ 940 GeV	Total
t̄t in	305.9 \pm 13.3	1099.3 \pm 25.8	1979.3 \pm 33.4	2478.8 \pm 39.3	2392.5 \pm 41.7	2008.9 \pm 37.6	1522.1 \pm 30.1	1115.1 \pm 25.3	772.0 \pm 21.3	483.2 \pm 16.1	350.4 \pm 13.8	213.5 \pm 10.5	295.2 \pm 13.4	15016.1 \pm 321.6
t̄t fit	313.1 \pm 53.1	1116.8 \pm 92.5	1713.7 \pm 89.1	1927.7 \pm 105.7	1857.9 \pm 83.2	1396.0 \pm 87.2	1084.6 \pm 64.4	813.8 \pm 52.6	512.4 \pm 44.6	345.3 \pm 31.8	218.7 \pm 26.3	117.8 \pm 22.2	149.5 \pm 26.4	11567.2 \pm 779.1
Single-Top in	18.3 \pm 3.2	42.7 \pm 4.6	57.8 \pm 5.3	71.6 \pm 6.3	64.6 \pm 5.4	56.6 \pm 5.1	46.4 \pm 4.6	35.7 \pm 3.9	24.6 \pm 3.4	15.9 \pm 2.6	11.9 \pm 2.2	8.4 \pm 1.8	14.4 \pm 2.3	468.9 \pm 50.9
Single-Top fit	47.3 \pm 54.3	48.3 \pm 102.8	87.6 \pm 118.4	197.6 \pm 132.2	181.1 \pm 83.9	257.5 \pm 98.0	111.4 \pm 60.4	57.2 \pm 48.7	63.6 \pm 44.1	34.6 \pm 29.4	50.7 \pm 26.3	32.0 \pm 20.6	67.5 \pm 25.6	1236.6 \pm 844.8
W/Z + jets in	30.2 \pm 1.8	45.8 \pm 2.7	53.8 \pm 3.2	55.2 \pm 3.3	55.6 \pm 3.3	45.7 \pm 2.7	38.6 \pm 2.3	24.3 \pm 1.4	22.1 \pm 1.3	15.6 \pm 0.9	9.6 \pm 0.6	6.5 \pm 0.4	13.6 \pm 0.8	416.5 \pm 24.8
W/Z + jets fit	0.0 \pm 15.6	41.5 \pm 61.3	43.7 \pm 61.2	83.7 \pm 66.0	0.0 \pm 90.6	14.6 \pm 54.8	0.0 \pm 20.3	0.0 \pm 35.1	5.0 \pm 25.7	2.1 \pm 24.7	1.6 \pm 27.4	10.1 \pm 9.3	0.0 \pm 3.8	202.3 \pm 495.9
QCD in	39.5 \pm 1.7	15.2 \pm 0.6	57.3 \pm 2.4	24.5 \pm 1.0	17.2 \pm 0.7	19.6 \pm 0.8	3.9 \pm 0.2	1.0 \pm 0.0	0.8 \pm 0.0	0.1 \pm 0.0	1.1 \pm 0.0	0.1 \pm 0.0	0.2 \pm 0.0	180.4 \pm 7.6
QCD fit	12.6 \pm 16.7	24.4 \pm 65.5	0.0 \pm 122.8	0.0 \pm 68.1	85.0 \pm 43.1	0.0 \pm 169.6	0.0 \pm 12.4	0.0 \pm 13.0	0.0 \pm 755.8	0.0 \pm 17.3	0.0 \pm 427.0	0.0 \pm 30.1	0.0 \pm 2.3	121.9 \pm 1743.7
Sum MC in	393.9 \pm 20.0	1202.9 \pm 33.8	2148.2 \pm 44.4	2630.1 \pm 50.0	2529.9 \pm 51.2	2130.7 \pm 46.2	1611.1 \pm 37.2	1176.1 \pm 30.7	819.4 \pm 26.0	514.8 \pm 19.6	373.0 \pm 16.7	228.5 \pm 12.7	323.5 \pm 16.5	16082.0 \pm 404.9
Sum MC fit	373.0 \pm 139.7	1231.0 \pm 322.0	1845.0 \pm 391.6	2209.0 \pm 372.0	2124.0 \pm 300.8	1668.0 \pm 409.7	1196.0 \pm 157.5	871.0 \pm 149.3	581.0 \pm 870.2	382.0 \pm 103.3	271.0 \pm 507.0	160.0 \pm 82.2	217.0 \pm 58.1	13128.0 \pm 3863.5
Data	373.0 \pm 62.2	1231.0 \pm 112.7	1845.0 \pm 138.4	2209.0 \pm 149.7	2124.0 \pm 147.1	1668.0 \pm 129.1	1196.0 \pm 109.7	871.0 \pm 92.7	581.0 \pm 75.9	382.0 \pm 60.5	271.0 \pm 51.4	160.0 \pm 38.9	217.0 \pm 45.1	13128.0 \pm 1213.5

Table A.14: Fit results for the p_T^W variable at a centre-of-mass energy of 7 TeV (electron channel).

Process	0--27 GeV	27--52 GeV	52--78 GeV	78--105 GeV	105--134 GeV	134--166 GeV	166--200 GeV	200--237 GeV	≥ 237 GeV	Total
t̄t in	953.0 \pm 26.1	2150.1 \pm 35.2	2788.4 \pm 45.5	2617.7 \pm 40.9	2058.0 \pm 37.0	1379.9 \pm 34.1	782.4 \pm 22.0	431.9 \pm 15.5	421.8 \pm 14.8	13582.9 \pm 270.9
t̄t fit	821.0 \pm 63.4	2182.9 \pm 125.8	2544.3 \pm 132.8	2380.5 \pm 119.5	1781.9 \pm 92.8	1139.6 \pm 71.2	548.8 \pm 51.9	296.2 \pm 31.4	277.4 \pm 26.2	11972.7 \pm 715.1
Single-Top in	30.0 \pm 4.1	67.8 \pm 6.1	80.6 \pm 6.8	78.7 \pm 6.4	61.7 \pm 5.6	43.3 \pm 4.6	26.5 \pm 3.3	17.2 \pm 2.7	22.0 \pm 2.8	427.8 \pm 42.4
Single-Top fit	12.8 \pm 112.3	17.6 \pm 311.9	159.1 \pm 179.7	207.9 \pm 134.8	108.6 \pm 105.5	68.5 \pm 77.6	110.2 \pm 54.0	88.8 \pm 29.7	93.6 \pm 24.4	867.1 \pm 1029.8
W/Z + jets in	28.0 \pm 2.0	73.6 \pm 5.3	89.0 \pm 6.4	66.7 \pm 4.8	48.3 \pm 3.5	34.9 \pm 2.5	22.7 \pm 1.6	14.3 \pm 1.0	18.3 \pm 1.3	395.7 \pm 28.3
W/Z + jets fit	146.2 \pm 50.4	264.5 \pm 80.0	122.8 \pm 155.1	104.6 \pm 78.9	116.5 \pm 67.9	111.9 \pm 51.8	46.2 \pm 67.3	0.0 \pm 6.1	0.0 \pm 12.3	912.7 \pm 569.8
QCD in	6.0 \pm 0.3	95.9 \pm 4.4	95.7 \pm 4.4	268.5 \pm 12.4	85.2 \pm 3.9	15.9 \pm 0.7	3.2 \pm 0.1	2.2 \pm 0.1	3.9 \pm 0.2	576.5 \pm 26.7
QCD fit	0.0 \pm 42.3	0.0 \pm 71.6	32.8 \pm 54.2	0.0 \pm 14.7	0.0 \pm 18.7	0.0 \pm 39.5	6.8 \pm 30.8	0.0 \pm 5.6	0.0 \pm 5.2	39.6 \pm 282.8
Sum MC in	1017.0 \pm 32.4	2387.4 \pm 51.0	3053.6 \pm 63.1	3031.6 \pm 64.5	2253.1 \pm 50.0	1474.0 \pm 42.0	834.8 \pm 27.1	465.6 \pm 19.3	465.9 \pm 19.1	14982.9 \pm 368.4
Sum MC fit	980.0 \pm 268.5	2465.0 \pm 589.4	2859.0 \pm 521.8	2693.0 \pm 347.9	2007.0 \pm 284.9	1320.0 \pm 240.1	712.0 \pm 204.0	385.0 \pm 72.8	371.0 \pm 68.2	13792.0 \pm 2597.6
Data	980.0 \pm 105.9	2465.0 \pm 168.1	2859.0 \pm 177.5	2693.0 \pm 171.1	2007.0 \pm 147.4	1320.0 \pm 118.8	712.0 \pm 86.4	385.0 \pm 60.3	371.0 \pm 58.5	13792.0 \pm 1094.1

Table A.15: Fit results for the p_T^W variable at a centre-of-mass energy of 7 TeV (muon channel).

Process	0--27 GeV	27--52 GeV	52--78 GeV	78--105 GeV	105--134 GeV	134--166 GeV	166--200 GeV	200--237 GeV	≥ 237 GeV	Total
t̄t in	1123.0 \pm 27.5	2494.5 \pm 38.8	3109.7 \pm 46.3	2846.6 \pm 40.7	2224.3 \pm 37.9	1487.2 \pm 30.4	843.1 \pm 21.4	457.2 \pm 16.4	430.6 \pm 15.5	15016.1 \pm 274.8
t̄t fit	840.6 \pm 64.9	1962.2 \pm 118.8	2766.6 \pm 141.1	2204.6 \pm 118.1	1763.2 \pm 91.6	1084.0 \pm 71.8	569.9 \pm 48.6	278.9 \pm 31.4	269.0 \pm 26.2	11739.0 \pm 712.6
Single-Top in	34.2 \pm 4.1	78.6 \pm 6.9	92.3 \pm 6.8	85.6 \pm 6.4	64.2 \pm 5.4	46.5 \pm 4.5	28.1 \pm 3.4	15.7 \pm 2.4	23.9 \pm 2.8	468.9 \pm 42.7
Single-Top fit	48.7 \pm 74.0	246.6 \pm 140.4	46.9 \pm 164.3	236.8 \pm 143.3	53.6 \pm 103.3	71.1 \pm 67.7	59.6 \pm 45.8	34.9 \pm 30.1	43.7 \pm 25.4	842.0 \pm 794.3
W/Z + jets in	39.5 \pm 2.4	75.4 \pm 4.5	89.8 \pm 5.4	68.3 \pm 4.1	52.4 \pm 3.1	38.4 \pm 2.3	19.2 \pm 1.1	14.3 \pm 0.9	19.1 \pm 1.1	416.5 \pm 24.8
W/Z + jets fit	77.4 \pm 80.6	71.9 \pm 147.0	183.3 \pm 168.4	48.6 \pm 86.8	77.2 \pm 73.9	0.0 \pm 109.0	0.0 \pm 16.2	0.0 \pm 21.5	5.3 \pm 14.2	463.8 \pm 717.6
QCD in	3.8 \pm 0.2	85.7 \pm 3.6	51.7 \pm 2.2	20.2 \pm 0.8	1.1 \pm 0.0	17.0 \pm 0.7	0.7 \pm 0.0	0.1 \pm 0.0	0.1 \pm 0.0	180.4 \pm 7.5
QCD fit	50.3 \pm 67.6	1.4 \pm 3131.1	4.2 \pm 911.5	0.0 \pm 54.1	0.0 \pm 63.5	15.9 \pm 34.7	8.4 \pm 15.5	3.2 \pm 13.6	0.0 \pm 8.4	83.4 \pm 4300.0
Sum MC in	1200.6 \pm 34.1	2734.1 \pm 53.8	3343.4 \pm 60.6	3020.7 \pm 52.0	2342.0 \pm 46.5	1589.1 \pm 37.9	891.1 \pm 26.0	487.3 \pm 19.6	473.7 \pm 19.5	16082.0 \pm 350.0
Sum MC fit	1017.0 \pm 287.2	2282.1 \pm 3537.4	3001.0 \pm 1385.3	2490.0 \pm 402.3	1894.0 \pm 332.3	1171.0 \pm 283.2	638.0 \pm 126.1	317.0 \pm 96.6	318.0 \pm 74.2	13128.1 \pm 6524.5
Data	1017.0 \pm 102.8	2282.0 \pm 152.9	3001.0 \pm 175.6	2490.0 \pm 159.4	1894.0 \pm 138.0	1171.0 \pm 107.1	638.0 \pm 78.3	317.0 \pm 54.8	318.0 \pm 54.2	13128.0 \pm 1023.1

Table A.16: Fit results for the M_T^W variable at a centre-of-mass energy of 7 TeV (electron channel).

Process	0--23 GeV	23--58 GeV	≥ 58 GeV	Total
t̄t in	1734.8 \pm 37.6	3862.1 \pm 49.1	7985.4 \pm 74.2	13582.3 \pm 160.8
t̄t fit	1411.7 \pm 85.9	3451.4 \pm 145.5	7204.3 \pm 215.0	12067.4 \pm 446.4
Single-Top in	52.9 \pm 5.1	126.8 \pm 8.3	248.1 \pm 11.4	427.8 \pm 24.7
Single-Top fit	27.6 \pm 100.7	151.2 \pm 172.1	318.0 \pm 264.4	496.8 \pm 537.2
W/Z + jets in	58.4 \pm 4.2	119.7 \pm 8.6	217.6 \pm 15.6	395.7 \pm 28.3
W/Z + jets fit	242.8 \pm 123.3	348.4 \pm 103.7	608.6 \pm 145.8	1199.8 \pm 372.9
QCD in	163.4 \pm 7.6	223.6 \pm 10.4	189.4 \pm 8.8	576.5 \pm 26.7
QCD fit	27.9 \pm 45.6	0.0 \pm 37.5	0.0 \pm 34.6	27.9 \pm 117.7
Sum MC in	2009.5 \pm 54.4	4332.3 \pm 76.3	8640.5 \pm 110.0	14982.3 \pm 240.6
Sum MC fit	1710.0 \pm 355.4	3951.0 \pm 458.9	8131.0 \pm 659.8	13792.0 \pm 1474.1
Data	1710.0 \pm 138.3	3951.0 \pm 208.3	8131.0 \pm 298.4	13792.0 \pm 645.0

Table A.17: Fit results for the M_T^W variable at a centre-of-mass energy of 7 TeV (muon channel).

Process	0--23 GeV	23--58 GeV	≥ 58 GeV	Total
t̄t in	1937.1 \pm 35.5	4372.8 \pm 54.9	8706.2 \pm 72.1	15016.1 \pm 162.5
t̄t fit	1612.1 \pm 68.2	3424.7 \pm 136.2	6685.5 \pm 215.8	11722.2 \pm 420.1
Single-Top in	63.2 \pm 5.6	137.3 \pm 7.9	268.4 \pm 11.6	468.9 \pm 25.1
Single-Top fit	0.0 \pm 581.2	137.4 \pm 165.6	777.2 \pm 265.1	914.5 \pm 1011.9
W/Z + jets in	65.9 \pm 3.9	118.2 \pm 7.0	232.4 \pm 13.9	416.5 \pm 24.8
W/Z + jets fit	121.9 \pm 62.3	232.9 \pm 110.9	18.6 \pm 757.6	373.4 \pm 930.8
QCD in	58.5 \pm 2.4	106.7 \pm 4.5	15.1 \pm 0.6	180.3 \pm 7.5
QCD fit	0.0 \pm 95.8	0.0 \pm 55.7	117.8 \pm 158.0	117.8 \pm 309.5
Sum MC in	2124.6 \pm 47.5	4735.1 \pm 74.4	9222.1 \pm 98.2	16081.8 \pm 220.0
Sum MC fit	1734.0 \pm 807.5	3795.0 \pm 468.3	7599.0 \pm 1396.5	13128.0 \pm 2672.2
Data	1734.0 \pm 132.8	3795.0 \pm 197.7	7599.0 \pm 276.5	13128.0 \pm 607.0

Table A.18: Fit results for the E_T^{miss} variable at a centre-of-mass energy of 8 TeV (electron channel).

Process	0--27 GeV	27--52 GeV	52--87 GeV	87--130 GeV	130--172 GeV	≥ 172 GeV	Total
t̄t in	11394.8 \pm 297.5	20257.4 \pm 397.5	18771.6 \pm 379.9	8534.4 \pm 253.3	2662.8 \pm 141.6	1612.1 \pm 108.5	63233.1 \pm 1578.2
t̄t fit	11258.8 \pm 307.4	21023.0 \pm 265.5	19133.9 \pm 359.0	7721.3 \pm 207.2	2394.7 \pm 92.0	1212.7 \pm 58.0	62744.4 \pm 1289.2
Single-Top in	470.0 \pm 44.6	804.0 \pm 58.5	729.8 \pm 55.0	348.6 \pm 38.9	124.1 \pm 21.9	90.5 \pm 18.7	2566.9 \pm 237.6
Single-Top fit	610.9 \pm 421.8	0.0 \pm 6921.1	380.7 \pm 413.8	305.3 \pm 199.2	100.3 \pm 85.8	127.1 \pm 52.8	1524.3 \pm 8094.5
W/Z + jets in	418.9 \pm 22.7	493.4 \pm 26.8	309.9 \pm 16.8	110.9 \pm 6.0	37.4 \pm 2.0	35.1 \pm 1.9	1405.6 \pm 76.2
W/Z + jets fit	2165.4 \pm 396.9	2845.1 \pm 346.6	1638.9 \pm 366.8	469.8 \pm 264.5	0.0 \pm 71.6	66.1 \pm 30.8	7185.4 \pm 1477.3
QCD in	2285.7 \pm 54.4	104.0 \pm 2.5	35.5 \pm 0.8	0.8 \pm 0.0	1.0 \pm 0.0	0.4 \pm 0.0	2427.4 \pm 57.8
QCD fit	443.8 \pm 160.7	112.9 \pm 147.8	11.6 \pm 333.2	77.4 \pm 107.0	76.0 \pm 24.4	0.0 \pm 23.7	721.7 \pm 796.9
Sum MC in	14569.4 \pm 419.3	21658.8 \pm 485.2	19846.7 \pm 452.6	8994.7 \pm 298.2	2825.3 \pm 165.5	1738.1 \pm 129.0	69633.0 \pm 1949.8
Sum MC fit	14478.9 \pm 1286.9	23981.0 \pm 7681.0	21165.0 \pm 1472.8	8573.9 \pm 777.9	2570.9 \pm 273.8	1406.0 \pm 165.3	72175.7 \pm 11657.7
Data	14479.0 \pm 402.7	23981.0 \pm 513.6	21165.0 \pm 476.2	8574.0 \pm 301.0	2571.0 \pm 162.1	1406.0 \pm 118.1	72176.0 \pm 1973.6

Table A.19: Fit results for the E_T^{miss} variable at a centre-of-mass energy of 8 TeV (muon channel).

Process	0--27 GeV	27--52 GeV	52--87 GeV	87--130 GeV	130--172 GeV	≥ 172 GeV	Total
t̄t in	13206.5 \pm 318.6	23819.0 \pm 428.4	22684.5 \pm 416.1	10234.5 \pm 279.2	3132.3 \pm 153.1	1918.5 \pm 117.3	74995.1 \pm 1712.8
t̄t fit	12976.6 \pm 179.3	23608.5 \pm 428.3	22339.7 \pm 413.8	9636.1 \pm 215.5	2774.5 \pm 108.0	1343.1 \pm 69.8	72678.4 \pm 1414.7
Single-Top in	539.8 \pm 47.6	892.7 \pm 60.6	894.2 \pm 60.9	417.6 \pm 41.8	161.0 \pm 26.2	118.7 \pm 22.5	3024.0 \pm 259.5
Single-Top fit	0.0 \pm 193.8	680.4 \pm 539.3	58.4 \pm 1080.7	194.1 \pm 237.3	13.5 \pm 198.0	206.7 \pm 65.0	1153.1 \pm 2314.1
W/Z + jets in	407.9 \pm 20.2	566.7 \pm 28.1	372.4 \pm 18.4	143.3 \pm 7.1	64.2 \pm 3.2	42.3 \pm 2.1	1596.7 \pm 79.1
W/Z + jets fit	1904.6 \pm 272.5	2174.5 \pm 396.5	2037.9 \pm 279.9	627.6 \pm 251.6	229.7 \pm 101.8	73.2 \pm 37.7	7047.5 \pm 1340.0
QCD in	440.9 \pm 6.0	43.4 \pm 0.6	42.5 \pm 0.6	0.1 \pm 0.0	0.5 \pm 0.0	0.1 \pm 0.0	527.6 \pm 7.2
QCD fit	62.8 \pm 206.5	34.6 \pm 315.9	0.0 \pm 135.1	59.2 \pm 157.5	11.4 \pm 52.3	0.0 \pm 82.9	168.1 \pm 950.3
Sum MC in	14595.0 \pm 392.5	25321.8 \pm 517.6	23993.6 \pm 496.0	10795.5 \pm 328.2	3357.9 \pm 182.4	2079.5 \pm 141.9	80143.4 \pm 2058.6
Sum MC fit	14944.0 \pm 852.1	26498.0 \pm 1680.1	24436.1 \pm 1909.5	10517.0 \pm 861.9	3029.0 \pm 460.2	1623.0 \pm 255.4	81047.1 \pm 6019.1
Data	14944.0 \pm 392.0	26498.0 \pm 520.6	24436.0 \pm 499.9	10517.0 \pm 325.7	3029.0 \pm 174.3	1623.0 \pm 125.6	81047.0 \pm 2038.2

Table A.20: Fit results for the H_T variable at a centre-of-mass energy of 8 TeV (electron channel).

Process	120–185 GeV	185–215 GeV	215–247 GeV	247–283 GeV	283–323 GeV	323–365 GeV	365–409 GeV	409–458 GeV	458–512 GeV	512–570 GeV	570–629 GeV	629–691 GeV	691–769 GeV	≥ 769 GeV	Total
t̄t in	937.5 \pm 85.8	3148.7 \pm 156.7	6333.1 \pm 223.2	8687.4 \pm 259.1	9454.1 \pm 270.1	8327.7 \pm 253.4	6889.5 \pm 231.1	5669.7 \pm 207.2	4326.6 \pm 181.5	2961.6 \pm 150.2	2066.7 \pm 125.1	1465.1 \pm 105.4	1104.5 \pm 90.2	1815.9 \pm 116.3	63233.1 \pm 2455.3
t̄t fit	1071.7 \pm 67.9	3100.1 \pm 176.4	7037.8 \pm 110.8	9677.3 \pm 138.5	9700.1 \pm 207.8	8309.8 \pm 167.0	6494.9 \pm 171.0	5399.5 \pm 143.9	4263.9 \pm 122.9	3005.0 \pm 104.6	1828.2 \pm 75.7	1289.0 \pm 48.1	898.4 \pm 47.0	1388.5 \pm 72.3	63464.3 \pm 1653.8
Single-Top in	64.0 \pm 16.4	182.6 \pm 27.7	260.2 \pm 33.0	360.2 \pm 39.7	359.2 \pm 38.0	297.8 \pm 35.8	279.6 \pm 34.3	210.7 \pm 29.8	164.2 \pm 25.9	128.9 \pm 23.4	78.9 \pm 17.9	52.9 \pm 14.1	47.3 \pm 13.0	80.3 \pm 17.9	2566.9 \pm 366.8
Single-Top fit	38.9 \pm 69.0	517.5 \pm 220.5	0.0 \pm 155.1	0.0 \pm 875.3	333.0 \pm 270.7	540.9 \pm 205.6	874.3 \pm 185.9	334.2 \pm 145.7	140.1 \pm 112.1	75.8 \pm 93.9	210.1 \pm 65.7	67.4 \pm 39.1	88.1 \pm 40.2	137.5 \pm 64.8	3357.9 \pm 2543.6
W/Z + jets in	95.7 \pm 5.2	124.4 \pm 6.7	166.0 \pm 9.0	191.1 \pm 10.4	172.8 \pm 9.4	144.5 \pm 7.8	121.6 \pm 6.6	104.3 \pm 5.7	84.1 \pm 4.6	60.1 \pm 3.3	41.6 \pm 2.3	33.0 \pm 1.8	25.1 \pm 1.4	41.1 \pm 2.2	1405.6 \pm 76.2
W/Z + jets fit	0.0 \pm 37.3	121.4 \pm 128.9	280.7 \pm 160.5	665.1 \pm 183.3	884.5 \pm 272.8	861.4 \pm 156.4	304.7 \pm 181.8	397.4 \pm 143.6	88.1 \pm 135.5	149.0 \pm 106.8	43.7 \pm 59.7	0.0 \pm 46.9	80.2 \pm 51.5	3876.1 \pm 1727.1	
QCD in	2.6 \pm 0.1	17.4 \pm 0.4	1827.4 \pm 43.5	221.1 \pm 5.3	47.8 \pm 1.1	32.6 \pm 0.8	41.1 \pm 1.0	123.8 \pm 2.9	30.5 \pm 0.7	12.1 \pm 0.3	21.7 \pm 0.5	11.1 \pm 0.3	19.2 \pm 0.5	18.9 \pm 0.5	2427.4 \pm 57.8
QCD fit	178.5 \pm 27.1	287.0 \pm 75.5	329.5 \pm 102.3	228.7 \pm 99.8	167.3 \pm 109.1	0.0 \pm 145.6	21.2 \pm 71.2	28.9 \pm 59.4	91.9 \pm 64.9	36.1 \pm 53.4	28.0 \pm 28.8	29.6 \pm 15.0	42.5 \pm 13.4	8.8 \pm 31.6	1477.8 \pm 897.3
Sum MC in	1099.8 \pm 107.4	3473.2 \pm 191.6	8586.7 \pm 308.7	9459.9 \pm 314.5	10033.9 \pm 318.7	8847.7 \pm 297.8	7331.8 \pm 273.0	6108.5 \pm 245.5	4605.5 \pm 212.7	3162.7 \pm 177.1	2208.9 \pm 145.7	1562.1 \pm 121.5	1196.2 \pm 105.0	1956.1 \pm 136.9	69633.0 \pm 2956.2
Sum MC fit	1289.0 \pm 201.3	4026.0 \pm 601.3	7648.0 \pm 528.7	10571.0 \pm 1296.9	11085.0 \pm 860.5	9712.0 \pm 674.6	7695.0 \pm 609.9	6160.0 \pm 492.6	4584.0 \pm 435.4	3266.0 \pm 358.8	2110.0 \pm 229.9	1386.0 \pm 149.1	1029.0 \pm 162.6	1615.0 \pm 220.2	72176.1 \pm 6821.9
Data	1289.0 \pm 122.5	4026.0 \pm 213.0	7648.0 \pm 292.2	10571.0 \pm 339.5	11085.0 \pm 349.0	9712.0 \pm 323.9	7695.0 \pm 286.5	6160.0 \pm 256.1	4584.0 \pm 219.4	3266.0 \pm 186.4	2110.0 \pm 149.0	1386.0 \pm 120.1	1029.0 \pm 104.2	1615.0 \pm 130.6	72176.0 \pm 3092.5

 Table A.21: Fit results for the H_T variable at a centre-of-mass energy of 8 TeV (muon channel).

Process	120–185 GeV	185–215 GeV	215–247 GeV	247–283 GeV	283–323 GeV	323–365 GeV	365–409 GeV	409–458 GeV	458–512 GeV	512–570 GeV	570–629 GeV	629–691 GeV	691–769 GeV	≥ 769 GeV	Total
t̄t in	1092.4 \pm 92.3	3830.8 \pm 171.8	7685.2 \pm 242.5	10846.7 \pm 288.8	11271.8 \pm 294.2	10014.3 \pm 276.9	8183.4 \pm 250.4	6533.5 \pm 222.4	5036.2 \pm 195.2	3579.8 \pm 164.9	2347.3 \pm 133.4	1507.1 \pm 106.1	1227.8 \pm 95.8	1838.7 \pm 117.5	74995.1 \pm 2652.1
t̄t fit	1069.3 \pm 81.0	3678.4 \pm 198.3	7970.7 \pm 284.4	10932.2 \pm 139.4	10967.8 \pm 269.3	9560.9 \pm 202.1	7915.8 \pm 167.8	5851.0 \pm 153.5	4404.6 \pm 135.7	2977.4 \pm 105.9	1912.9 \pm 83.0	1386.4 \pm 60.4	1046.2 \pm 53.1	1446.3 \pm 73.3	71155.9 \pm 2007.3
Single-Top in	88.6 \pm 18.7	195.9 \pm 28.5	338.8 \pm 37.7	374.5 \pm 39.4	428.9 \pm 42.5	380.3 \pm 39.7	312.5 \pm 35.6	259.8 \pm 32.8	189.5 \pm 27.6	144.4 \pm 24.7	96.0 \pm 20.1	70.5 \pm 17.2	57.6 \pm 15.1	86.7 \pm 18.5	3024.0 \pm 398.2
Single-Top fit	248.5 \pm 83.4	671.1 \pm 219.9	410.2 \pm 369.8	0.0 \pm 805.2	1029.7 \pm 346.2	535.0 \pm 267.0	143.3 \pm 191.0	793.0 \pm 153.2	446.6 \pm 132.3	357.8 \pm 92.1	214.4 \pm 75.2	123.5 \pm 52.5	2.5 \pm 191.2	117.2 \pm 68.9	5092.8 \pm 3048.1
W/Z + jets in	101.3 \pm 5.0	143.7 \pm 7.1	172.3 \pm 8.5	200.6 \pm 9.9	209.1 \pm 10.4	179.3 \pm 8.9	144.4 \pm 7.2	117.4 \pm 5.8	97.1 \pm 4.8	65.0 \pm 3.2	52.6 \pm 2.6	37.4 \pm 1.9	25.8 \pm 1.3	50.8 \pm 2.5	1596.7 \pm 79.1
W/Z + jets fit	72.2 \pm 85.0	0.0 \pm 59.6	391.0 \pm 221.4	982.7 \pm 214.9	585.5 \pm 176.0	718.5 \pm 237.8	672.4 \pm 194.1	188.0 \pm 97.3	224.7 \pm 81.5	155.8 \pm 56.0	85.7 \pm 42.2	73.0 \pm 46.8	78.2 \pm 26.4	20.2 \pm 61.7	4248.1 \pm 1600.8
QCD in	1.0 \pm 0.0	408.5 \pm 5.8	28.0 \pm 0.4	18.9 \pm 0.3	1.0 \pm 0.0	7.5 \pm 0.1	1.0 \pm 0.0	5.4 \pm 0.1	11.8 \pm 0.2	7.9 \pm 0.1	14.1 \pm 0.2	16.3 \pm 0.2	7.7 \pm 0.1	1.3 \pm 0.0	530.4 \pm 7.5
QCD fit	58.0 \pm 83.1	215.6 \pm 69.5	76.9 \pm 159.0	97.2 \pm 176.3	0.0 \pm 477.2	6.6 \pm 587.6	39.5 \pm 111.3	0.0 \pm 51.8	0.0 \pm 60.9	0.0 \pm 80.2	0.0 \pm 885.9	13.1 \pm 28.9	0.0 \pm 22.5	43.3 \pm 48.6	550.2 \pm 2842.7
Sum MC in	1283.3 \pm 116.1	4578.9 \pm 213.2	8224.3 \pm 289.2	11440.7 \pm 338.4	11910.9 \pm 347.1	10581.4 \pm 325.6	8641.4 \pm 293.2	6916.2 \pm 261.1	5334.6 \pm 227.7	3797.1 \pm 192.9	2510.0 \pm 156.3	1631.3 \pm 125.4	1318.9 \pm 112.2	1977.4 \pm 138.5	80146.2 \pm 3136.9
Sum MC fit	1448.0 \pm 332.6	4565.0 \pm 547.3	8848.9 \pm 1034.6	12012.1 \pm 1335.8	12583.0 \pm 1268.7	10821.0 \pm 1294.5	8771.0 \pm 664.2	6832.0 \pm 455.8	5112.0 \pm 410.5	3491.0 \pm 334.2	2213.0 \pm 1086.3	1596.0 \pm 188.6	1127.0 \pm 293.1	1627.0 \pm 252.6	81047.0 \pm 9498.8
Data	1448.0 \pm 123.2	4565.0 \pm 217.3	8849.0 \pm 301.6	12012.0 \pm 351.4	12583.0 \pm 358.7	10821.0 \pm 332.3	8771.0 \pm 298.7	6832.0 \pm 262.3	5112.0 \pm 227.2	3491.0 \pm 188.2	2213.0 \pm 149.1	1596.0 \pm 126.2	1127.0 \pm 106.7	1627.0 \pm 126.2	81047.0 \pm 3169.1

Table A.22: Fit results for the S_T variable at a centre-of-mass energy of 8 TeV (electron channel).

Process	146–277 GeV	277–319 GeV	319–361 GeV	361–408 GeV	408–459 GeV	459–514 GeV	514–573 GeV	573–637 GeV	637–705 GeV	705–774 GeV	774–854 GeV	854–940 GeV	≥ 940 GeV	Total
t̄t in	946.0 \pm 87.2	3777.2 \pm 171.5	7287.4 \pm 239.9	9617.1 \pm 273.1	9713.1 \pm 273.6	8539.6 \pm 256.1	6791.6 \pm 227.5	5216.9 \pm 199.3	3637.8 \pm 166.4	2574.4 \pm 139.5	1838.8 \pm 117.3	1237.2 \pm 94.8	2056.0 \pm 122.6	63233.1 \pm 2368.9
t̄t fit	1066.4 \pm 80.3	4208.8 \pm 192.0	7559.1 \pm 243.6	10629.2 \pm 151.9	9980.6 \pm 202.8	8411.8 \pm 186.3	6401.4 \pm 171.3	4962.8 \pm 143.5	3510.8 \pm 112.5	2237.7 \pm 85.8	1524.8 \pm 59.5	954.0 \pm 48.7	1560.5 \pm 65.4	63007.8 \pm 1743.6
Single-Top in	67.0 \pm 16.8	186.6 \pm 27.6	281.6 \pm 34.7	374.4 \pm 39.3	361.5 \pm 39.2	304.1 \pm 35.9	270.3 \pm 33.3	220.0 \pm 30.5	155.8 \pm 25.6	103.9 \pm 21.1	85.7 \pm 18.7	52.3 \pm 14.3	103.6 \pm 20.3	2566.9 \pm 357.2
Single-Top fit	167.4 \pm 80.9	309.7 \pm 220.2	551.9 \pm 322.4	0.0 \pm 333.2	116.7 \pm 254.4	600.2 \pm 224.4	617.1 \pm 180.1	664.1 \pm 147.6	444.2 \pm 106.9	205.7 \pm 84.4	167.6 \pm 53.9	128.3 \pm 45.2	224.3 \pm 61.8	4197.3 \pm 2115.5
W/Z + jets in	108.1 \pm 5.9	141.1 \pm 7.6	176.8 \pm 9.6	197.5 \pm 10.7	169.7 \pm 9.2	147.1 \pm 8.0	119.5 \pm 6.5	102.9 \pm 5.6	71.6 \pm 3.9	47.3 \pm 2.6	44.6 \pm 2.4	27.0 \pm 1.5	52.4 \pm 2.8	1405.6 \pm 76.2
W/Z + jets fit	0.0 \pm 171.0	47.1 \pm 146.2	425.7 \pm 216.2	631.1 \pm 203.2	1228.2 \pm 231.7	619.9 \pm 244.3	414.5 \pm 186.8	81.0 \pm 83.0	0.0 \pm 39.6	0.0 \pm 107.6	27.3 \pm 52.0	0.0 \pm 46.0	0.0 \pm 56.4	3474.8 \pm 1784.0
QCD in	8.4 \pm 0.2	1757.3 \pm 41.8	134.9 \pm 3.2	192.2 \pm 4.6	44.0 \pm 1.0	38.0 \pm 0.9	128.6 \pm 3.1	29.8 \pm 0.7	20.8 \pm 0.5	19.0 \pm 0.5	17.3 \pm 0.4	19.8 \pm 0.5	17.2 \pm 0.4	2427.4 \pm 57.8
QCD fit	257.2 \pm 31.9	387.4 \pm 89.5	260.4 \pm 102.1	261.8 \pm 107.3	4.5 \pm 323.7	32.1 \pm 91.7	30.9 \pm 75.6	0.0 \pm 79.0	84.0 \pm 29.7	68.6 \pm 24.9	25.3 \pm 25.7	39.8 \pm 14.0	44.2 \pm 16.1	1496.3 \pm 1011.3
Sum MC in	1129.4 \pm 110.1	5862.2 \pm 248.5	7880.7 \pm 287.4	10381.2 \pm 327.7	10288.3 \pm 323.0	9028.8 \pm 300.9	7310.0 \pm 270.4	5569.5 \pm 236.1	3886.1 \pm 196.3	2744.6 \pm 163.6	1986.4 \pm 138.8	1336.3 \pm 111.0	2229.2 \pm 146.1	69633.0 \pm 2860.1
Sum MC fit	1491.0 \pm 364.2	4953.0 \pm 647.9	8797.1 \pm 884.3	11522.0 \pm 795.6	11330.0 \pm 1012.7	9664.0 \pm 746.7	7463.9 \pm 613.8	5708.0 \pm 453.1	4039.0 \pm 288.7	2512.0 \pm 302.7	1745.0 \pm 191.2	1122.0 \pm 153.9	1829.0 \pm 199.7	72176.2 \pm 6654.4
Data	1491.0 \pm 133.1	4953.0 \pm 237.2	8797.0 \pm 313.0	11522.0 \pm 355.2	11330.0 \pm 351.5	9664.0 \pm 322.3	7464.0 \pm 282.5	5708.0 \pm 244.1	4039.0 \pm 206.4	2512.0 \pm 162.4	1745.0 \pm 134.9	1122.0 \pm 108.3	1829.0 \pm 136.8	72176.0 \pm 2987.6

Table A.23: Fit results for the S_T variable at a centre-of-mass energy of 8 TeV (muon channel).

Process	146–277 GeV	277–319 GeV	319–361 GeV	361–408 GeV	408–459 GeV	459–514 GeV	514–573 GeV	573–637 GeV	637–705 GeV	705–774 GeV	774–854 GeV	854–940 GeV	≥ 940 GeV	Total
t̄t in	1308.6 \pm 101.5	4828.7 \pm 193.7	8949.3 \pm 262.8	11773.4 \pm 300.8	11661.3 \pm 298.9	10029.2 \pm 277.1	7959.9 \pm 246.2	5966.6 \pm 212.4	4245.7 \pm 178.9	2786.3 \pm 144.3	2065.1 \pm 124.2	1313.2 \pm 99.4	2107.8 \pm 123.8	74995.1 \pm 2564.1
t̄t fit	1361.6 \pm 99.9	4983.2 \pm 202.9	9217.9 \pm 363.6	11693.6 \pm 271.8	11405.1 \pm 253.6	9817.7 \pm 202.3	7764.1 \pm 184.3	5374.4 \pm 149.9	3516.8 \pm 119.7	2394.0 \pm 90.7	1767.1 \pm 69.0	1076.0 \pm 48.8	1599.7 \pm 68.7	71971.1 \pm 2125.3
Single-Top in	89.5 \pm 18.9	219.7 \pm 30.5	360.3 \pm 38.4	429.6 \pm 42.0	422.2 \pm 41.8	370.2 \pm 39.2	315.7 \pm 36.4	237.0 \pm 31.4	178.6 \pm 26.9	122.3 \pm 22.5	92.1 \pm 20.0	70.6 \pm 16.8	116.2 \pm 21.7	3024.0 \pm 386.5
Single-Top fit	418.1 \pm 109.6	447.5 \pm 253.0	129.5 \pm 443.4	546.0 \pm 328.1	490.6 \pm 349.4	93.5 \pm 251.2	188.6 \pm 206.0	586.1 \pm 158.7	596.8 \pm 115.1	194.4 \pm 87.7	161.2 \pm 63.5	76.9 \pm 43.8	125.2 \pm 64.9	4054.4 \pm 2474.5
W/Z + jets in	115.7 \pm 5.7	164.1 \pm 8.1	183.0 \pm 9.1	220.4 \pm 10.9	199.9 \pm 9.9	176.4 \pm 8.7	141.7 \pm 7.0	119.7 \pm 5.9	83.1 \pm 4.1	60.2 \pm 3.0	41.1 \pm 2.0	31.4 \pm 1.6	60.0 \pm 3.0	1596.7 \pm 79.1
W/Z + jets fit	8.7 \pm 259.4	136.3 \pm 143.2	735.4 \pm 229.8	707.6 \pm 254.7	984.1 \pm 273.4	947.7 \pm 169.8	408.3 \pm 126.1	91.5 \pm 90.2	110.4 \pm 65.8	116.6 \pm 46.7	0.0 \pm 140.8	77.9 \pm 82.7	45.3 \pm 62.3	4369.7 \pm 1944.9
QCD in	408.5 \pm 5.6	1.0 \pm 0.0	1.0 \pm 0.0	18.9 \pm 0.3	35.4 \pm 0.5	5.4 \pm 0.1	5.7 \pm 0.1	15.2 \pm 0.2	12.9 \pm 0.2	16.3 \pm 0.2	7.7 \pm 0.1	1.0 \pm 0.0	1.3 \pm 0.0	530.4 \pm 7.3
QCD fit	182.7 \pm 95.6	120.1 \pm 114.8	89.2 \pm 169.1	212.8 \pm 191.5	5.2 \pm 1056.3	0.0 \pm 91.3	0.0 \pm 72.2	0.0 \pm 69.2	0.0 \pm 101.1	0.0 \pm 65.1	17.7 \pm 17.3	2.2 \pm 478.9	21.8 \pm 47.3	651.8 \pm 2569.9
Sum MC in	1922.3 \pm 131.8	5213.5 \pm 232.3	9493.6 \pm 310.2	12442.3 \pm 354.0	12318.8 \pm 351.1	10581.2 \pm 325.1	8423.0 \pm 289.7	6338.6 \pm 250.0	4520.2 \pm 210.1	2985.2 \pm 170.1	2206.0 \pm 146.4	1416.2 \pm 117.8	2285.3 \pm 148.4	80146.2 \pm 3036.9
Sum MC fit	1971.0 \pm 564.5	5687.0 \pm 714.0	10172.0 \pm 1205.9	13160.0 \pm 1046.1	12884.9 \pm 1932.6	10859.0 \pm 714.6	8361.0 \pm 588.6	6052.0 \pm 468.0	4224.0 \pm 401.6	2705.0 \pm 290.1	1946.0 \pm 290.7	1233.0 \pm 654.3	1792.0 \pm 243.3	81047.0 \pm 9114.5
Data	1971.0 \pm 144.0	5687.0 \pm 243.2	10172.0 \pm 324.3	13160.0 \pm 367.7	12885.0 \pm 363.1	10859.0 \pm 332.2	8361.0 \pm 290.6	6052.0 \pm 246.6	4224.0 \pm 206.4	2705.0 \pm 165.0	1946.0 \pm 138.4	1233.0 \pm 110.4	1792.0 \pm 131.4	81047.0 \pm 3063.1

Table A.24: Fit results for the p_T^W variable at a centre-of-mass energy of 8 TeV (electron channel).

Process	0--27 GeV	27--52 GeV	52--78 GeV	78--105 GeV	105--134 GeV	134--166 GeV	166--200 GeV	200--237 GeV	≥ 237 GeV	Total
t̄t in	4063.8 \pm 178.3	9575.7 \pm 274.6	12466.8 \pm 311.8	12054.9 \pm 304.4	9721.1 \pm 273.6	6755.9 \pm 225.8	3958.3 \pm 171.7	2289.9 \pm 129.7	2346.9 \pm 128.0	63233.1 \pm 1997.8
t̄t fit	4381.0 \pm 159.3	10707.3 \pm 189.9	12562.1 \pm 298.2	12407.8 \pm 206.1	9614.2 \pm 232.1	6076.1 \pm 179.5	3434.6 \pm 126.2	1867.7 \pm 76.3	1811.4 \pm 61.0	62862.3 \pm 1528.7
Single-Top in	144.4 \pm 24.6	362.1 \pm 38.4	461.3 \pm 43.5	437.1 \pm 43.1	393.5 \pm 40.8	289.3 \pm 35.8	185.6 \pm 27.5	120.5 \pm 22.5	173.2 \pm 26.5	2566.9 \pm 302.8
Single-Top fit	125.3 \pm 152.4	0.0 \pm 1691.4	577.1 \pm 377.9	0.0 \pm 665.0	351.1 \pm 262.5	218.1 \pm 203.0	249.3 \pm 126.6	259.3 \pm 75.6	298.5 \pm 57.0	2078.7 \pm 3611.4
W/Z + jets in	112.1 \pm 6.1	249.4 \pm 13.5	292.8 \pm 15.9	246.7 \pm 13.4	184.1 \pm 10.0	127.5 \pm 6.9	74.3 \pm 4.0	48.4 \pm 2.6	70.4 \pm 3.8	1405.6 \pm 76.2
W/Z + jets fit	581.7 \pm 176.4	1129.6 \pm 256.9	1781.6 \pm 346.7	1408.3 \pm 270.2	748.8 \pm 298.8	682.9 \pm 150.0	221.5 \pm 139.2	0.0 \pm 4263.1	0.0 \pm 35.6	6554.4 \pm 5936.9
QCD in	20.4 \pm 0.5	150.6 \pm 3.6	1811.5 \pm 43.1	164.9 \pm 3.9	52.4 \pm 1.2	177.2 \pm 4.2	19.3 \pm 0.5	10.7 \pm 0.3	20.4 \pm 0.5	2427.4 \pm 57.8
QCD fit	79.0 \pm 80.5	188.2 \pm 114.7	167.2 \pm 128.2	134.9 \pm 114.1	8.8 \pm 334.1	0.0 \pm 8816.9	29.5 \pm 58.5	34.0 \pm 29.1	39.1 \pm 17.9	680.8 \pm 9694.1
Sum MC in	4340.7 \pm 209.5	10337.8 \pm 330.1	15032.3 \pm 414.3	12903.5 \pm 364.7	10351.0 \pm 325.6	7349.9 \pm 272.8	4237.5 \pm 203.7	2469.5 \pm 155.1	2610.8 \pm 158.8	69633.0 \pm 2434.6
Sum MC fit	5167.0 \pm 568.6	12025.1 \pm 2252.9	15088.0 \pm 1151.0	13951.1 \pm 1255.5	10723.0 \pm 1127.5	6977.0 \pm 9349.4	3935.0 \pm 450.6	2161.0 \pm 4444.2	2149.0 \pm 171.4	72176.2 \pm 20771.1
Data	5167.0 \pm 241.9	12025.0 \pm 365.6	15088.0 \pm 408.6	13951.0 \pm 389.9	10723.0 \pm 337.9	6977.0 \pm 271.7	3935.0 \pm 201.7	2161.0 \pm 147.2	2149.0 \pm 144.2	72176.0 \pm 2508.7

Table A.25: Fit results for the p_T^W variable at a centre-of-mass energy of 8 TeV (muon channel).

Process	0--27 GeV	27--52 GeV	52--78 GeV	78--105 GeV	105--134 GeV	134--166 GeV	166--200 GeV	200--237 GeV	≥ 237 GeV	Total
t̄t in	5359.1 \pm 204.0	12104.9 \pm 307.4	15135.4 \pm 341.7	14178.5 \pm 329.0	11157.9 \pm 291.2	7537.5 \pm 238.6	4379.9 \pm 181.3	2488.1 \pm 134.4	2653.8 \pm 136.8	74995.1 \pm 2164.4
t̄t fit	5523.7 \pm 110.1	12780.5 \pm 176.2	14949.0 \pm 354.0	13818.3 \pm 340.9	10693.5 \pm 168.2	7116.8 \pm 206.6	3701.0 \pm 118.1	1994.8 \pm 79.5	1957.0 \pm 70.7	72534.6 \pm 1624.2
Single-Top in	204.1 \pm 28.4	449.7 \pm 42.5	559.3 \pm 48.7	534.4 \pm 47.1	439.8 \pm 42.4	314.4 \pm 36.7	188.7 \pm 28.2	126.7 \pm 23.1	206.8 \pm 29.2	3024.0 \pm 326.2
Single-Top fit	0.0 \pm 658.0	0.0 \pm 138.4	565.5 \pm 480.5	214.8 \pm 439.8	0.0 \pm 2205.0	363.6 \pm 249.7	483.7 \pm 128.7	188.2 \pm 84.7	209.1 \pm 72.1	2024.9 \pm 4457.0
W/Z + jets in	131.6 \pm 6.5	289.6 \pm 14.3	329.6 \pm 16.3	281.7 \pm 13.9	190.9 \pm 9.5	153.2 \pm 7.6	84.9 \pm 4.2	59.1 \pm 2.9	76.2 \pm 3.8	1596.7 \pm 79.1
W/Z + jets fit	574.2 \pm 98.0	1139.1 \pm 237.7	1533.5 \pm 260.9	1361.7 \pm 359.5	1014.7 \pm 242.4	179.1 \pm 239.3	14.1 \pm 376.4	119.0 \pm 56.1	12.9 \pm 198.7	5948.4 \pm 2069.0
QCD in	5.7 \pm 0.1	422.6 \pm 5.8	5.7 \pm 0.1	39.1 \pm 0.5	19.7 \pm 0.3	34.0 \pm 0.5	0.5 \pm 0.0	0.1 \pm 0.0	0.1 \pm 0.0	527.6 \pm 7.2
QCD fit	0.0 \pm 23.1	55.4 \pm 158.1	0.0 \pm 104.4	97.2 \pm 209.3	119.9 \pm 173.5	181.6 \pm 146.0	64.2 \pm 94.1	0.0 \pm 18.0	21.0 \pm 81.9	539.3 \pm 1008.5
Sum MC in	5700.5 \pm 239.1	13266.8 \pm 370.0	16030.0 \pm 406.7	15033.8 \pm 390.6	11808.2 \pm 343.3	8039.2 \pm 283.4	4654.0 \pm 213.7	2674.0 \pm 160.5	2936.9 \pm 169.7	80143.4 \pm 2576.9
Sum MC fit	6098.0 \pm 889.2	13975.1 \pm 710.3	17048.0 \pm 1199.9	15492.0 \pm 1349.6	11828.0 \pm 2789.1	7841.0 \pm 841.6	4263.0 \pm 717.3	2302.1 \pm 238.4	2200.0 \pm 423.4	81047.2 \pm 9158.7
Data	6098.0 \pm 251.0	13975.0 \pm 380.4	17048.0 \pm 419.8	15492.0 \pm 398.0	11828.0 \pm 346.0	7841.0 \pm 279.4	4263.0 \pm 205.4	2302.0 \pm 150.2	2200.0 \pm 143.1	81047.0 \pm 2573.4

Table A.26: Fit results for the M_T^W variable at a centre-of-mass energy of 8 TeV (electron channel).

Process	0--23 GeV	23--58 GeV	≥ 58 GeV	Total
t̄t in	8261.6 ± 252.9	17940.6 ± 372.0	37026.8 ± 533.7	63229.0 ± 1158.5
t̄t fit	8012.3 ± 211.3	17460.8 ± 329.3	38017.8 ± 364.2	63491.0 ± 904.8
Single-Top in	348.2 ± 39.1	733.5 ± 55.9	1485.2 ± 78.9	2566.9 ± 174.0
Single-Top fit	26.9 ± 506.0	245.5 ± 395.8	0.1 ± 4833.9	272.5 ± 5735.7
W/Z + jets in	220.2 ± 11.9	403.2 ± 21.9	782.2 ± 42.4	1405.6 ± 76.2
W/Z + jets fit	959.9 ± 292.4	1784.9 ± 403.2	5102.4 ± 487.8	7847.2 ± 1183.4
QCD in	67.7 ± 1.6	1961.0 ± 46.7	398.7 ± 9.5	2427.4 ± 57.8
QCD fit	169.8 ± 111.3	371.9 ± 146.7	21.8 ± 479.5	563.6 ± 737.5
Sum MC in	8897.6 ± 305.6	21038.3 ± 496.4	39693.0 ± 664.5	69628.8 ± 1466.5
Sum MC fit	9169.0 ± 1121.0	19863.0 ± 1275.0	43142.2 ± 6165.4	72174.2 ± 8561.4
Data	9169.0 ± 316.6	19863.0 ± 465.2	43142.0 ± 684.4	72174.0 ± 1466.2

Table A.27: Fit results for the M_T^W variable at a centre-of-mass energy of 8 TeV (muon channel).

Process	0--23 GeV	23--58 GeV	≥ 58 GeV	Total
t̄t in	9827.5 ± 274.7	21864.3 ± 409.9	43303.4 ± 574.6	74995.1 ± 1259.2
t̄t fit	9392.8 ± 239.2	21147.1 ± 240.7	42723.5 ± 560.5	73263.4 ± 1040.4
Single-Top in	409.5 ± 41.6	903.5 ± 61.7	1710.9 ± 84.0	3024.0 ± 187.3
Single-Top fit	82.7 ± 277.9	0.0 ± 313.9	303.9 ± 700.1	386.6 ± 1291.9
W/Z + jets in	239.4 ± 11.9	490.2 ± 24.3	867.1 ± 42.9	1596.7 ± 79.1
W/Z + jets fit	1131.5 ± 290.2	2366.8 ± 220.4	3720.6 ± 382.0	7218.8 ± 892.7
QCD in	67.7 ± 0.9	458.8 ± 6.3	0.9 ± 0.0	527.4 ± 7.2
QCD fit	178.0 ± 179.9	0.0 ± 537.4	0.1 ± 177.1	178.2 ± 894.4
Sum MC in	10544.1 ± 329.1	23716.8 ± 502.1	45882.3 ± 701.5	80143.2 ± 1532.8
Sum MC fit	10785.1 ± 987.2	23514.0 ± 1312.3	46748.0 ± 1819.7	81047.1 ± 4119.3
Data	10785.0 ± 333.0	23514.0 ± 491.1	46748.0 ± 689.2	81047.0 ± 1513.3

A.9 Results Tables

A.9.1 7 TeV

Table A.28: Normalised $t\bar{t}$ cross section measurement with respect to E_T^{miss} variable at a centre-of-mass energy of 7 TeV (combination of electron and muon channels). The errors shown are combined statistical, fit and unfolding errors (\dagger) and systematic uncertainty (*).

E_T^{miss} bin [GeV]	$\sigma_{\text{meas}} (\times 10^3)$
0--27 GeV	$6.68 \pm 0.12^\dagger \pm 0.16^* (3.03\%)$
27--52 GeV	$13.41 \pm 0.18^\dagger \pm 0.28^* (2.49\%)$
52--87 GeV	$8.64 \pm 0.12^\dagger \pm 0.14^* (2.15\%)$
87--130 GeV	$3.03 \pm 0.06^\dagger \pm 0.12^* (4.36\%)$
130--172 GeV	$0.84 \pm 0.02^\dagger \pm 0.08^* (9.94\%)$
≥ 172 GeV	$0.13 \pm 0.00^\dagger \pm 0.02^* (17.53\%)$

Table A.29: Normalised $t\bar{t}$ cross section measurement with respect to H_T variable at a centre-of-mass energy of 7 TeV (combination of electron and muon channels). The errors shown are combined statistical, fit and unfolding errors (\dagger) and systematic uncertainty (*).

H_T bin [GeV]	$\sigma_{\text{meas}} (\times 10^3)$
120--185 GeV	$2.52 \pm 0.07^\dagger \pm 0.92^* (36.64\%)$
185--215 GeV	$4.94 \pm 0.13^\dagger \pm 0.67^* (13.90\%)$
215--247 GeV	$4.98 \pm 0.12^\dagger \pm 0.21^* (4.91\%)$
247--283 GeV	$4.04 \pm 0.09^\dagger \pm 0.46^* (11.68\%)$
283--323 GeV	$2.96 \pm 0.06^\dagger \pm 0.40^* (13.72\%)$
323--365 GeV	$2.02 \pm 0.04^\dagger \pm 0.31^* (15.32\%)$
365--409 GeV	$1.34 \pm 0.03^\dagger \pm 0.19^* (14.41\%)$
409--458 GeV	$0.86 \pm 0.02^\dagger \pm 0.11^* (13.34\%)$
458--512 GeV	$0.54 \pm 0.01^\dagger \pm 0.06^* (12.03\%)$
512--570 GeV	$0.33 \pm 0.01^\dagger \pm 0.04^* (12.69\%)$
570--629 GeV	$0.20 \pm 0.01^\dagger \pm 0.02^* (10.37\%)$
629--691 GeV	$0.12 \pm 0.00^\dagger \pm 0.01^* (9.60\%)$
691--769 GeV	$0.07 \pm 0.00^\dagger \pm 0.01^* (9.73\%)$
≥ 769 GeV	$0.03 \pm 0.00^\dagger \pm 0.00^* (10.04\%)$

A.9.2 8 TeV

Table A.30: Normalised $t\bar{t}$ cross section measurement with respect to S_T variable at a centre-of-mass energy of 7 TeV (combination of electron and muon channels). The errors shown are combined statistical, fit and unfolding errors (\dagger) and systematic uncertainty (*).

S_T bin [GeV]	$\sigma_{meas} (\times 10^3)$
146--277 GeV	$1.28 \pm 0.04^\dagger \pm 0.43^* (33.95\%)$
277--319 GeV	$4.09 \pm 0.11^\dagger \pm 0.45^* (11.40\%)$
319--361 GeV	$4.08 \pm 0.10^\dagger \pm 0.24^* (6.31\%)$
361--408 GeV	$3.20 \pm 0.07^\dagger \pm 0.39^* (12.31\%)$
408--459 GeV	$2.22 \pm 0.05^\dagger \pm 0.31^* (13.90\%)$
459--514 GeV	$1.45 \pm 0.03^\dagger \pm 0.22^* (15.22\%)$
514--573 GeV	$0.91 \pm 0.02^\dagger \pm 0.13^* (14.45\%)$
573--637 GeV	$0.55 \pm 0.01^\dagger \pm 0.08^* (14.82\%)$
637--705 GeV	$0.33 \pm 0.01^\dagger \pm 0.05^* (14.64\%)$
705--774 GeV	$0.19 \pm 0.01^\dagger \pm 0.03^* (15.11\%)$
774--854 GeV	$0.11 \pm 0.00^\dagger \pm 0.02^* (14.87\%)$
854--940 GeV	$0.06 \pm 0.00^\dagger \pm 0.01^* (14.42\%)$
≥ 940 GeV	$0.03 \pm 0.00^\dagger \pm 0.00^* (14.91\%)$

Table A.31: Normalised $t\bar{t}$ cross section measurement with respect to M_T^W variable at a centre-of-mass energy of 7 TeV (combination of electron and muon channels). The errors shown are combined statistical, fit and unfolding errors (\dagger) and systematic uncertainty (*).

M_T^W bin [GeV]	$\sigma_{meas} (\times 10^3)$
0--23 GeV	$4.98 \pm 0.19^\dagger \pm 0.22^* (5.85\%)$
23--58 GeV	$8.36 \pm 0.17^\dagger \pm 0.17^* (2.94\%)$
≥ 58 GeV	$14.11 \pm 0.16^\dagger \pm 0.25^* (2.13\%)$

Table A.32: Normalised $t\bar{t}$ cross section measurement with respect to p_T^W variable at a centre-of-mass energy of 7 TeV (combination of electron and muon channels). The errors shown are combined statistical, fit and unfolding errors (\dagger) and systematic uncertainty (*).

p_T^W bin [GeV]	$\sigma_{meas} (\times 10^3)$
0--27 GeV	$3.54 \pm 0.11^\dagger \pm 0.21^* (6.76\%)$
27--52 GeV	$8.54 \pm 0.20^\dagger \pm 0.40^* (5.23\%)$
52--78 GeV	$9.33 \pm 0.18^\dagger \pm 0.24^* (3.23\%)$
78--105 GeV	$7.12 \pm 0.14^\dagger \pm 0.15^* (2.88\%)$
105--134 GeV	$4.28 \pm 0.10^\dagger \pm 0.23^* (5.74\%)$
134--166 GeV	$2.17 \pm 0.05^\dagger \pm 0.17^* (8.13\%)$
166--200 GeV	$0.98 \pm 0.03^\dagger \pm 0.09^* (9.98\%)$
200--237 GeV	$0.42 \pm 0.02^\dagger \pm 0.05^* (11.82\%)$
≥ 237 GeV	$0.21 \pm 0.01^\dagger \pm 0.03^* (15.61\%)$

Table A.33: Normalised $t\bar{t}$ cross section measurement with respect to E_T^{miss} variable at a centre-of-mass energy of 8 TeV (combination of electron and muon channels). The errors shown are combined statistical, fit and unfolding errors (\dagger) and systematic uncertainty (*).

E_T^{miss} bin [GeV]	$\sigma_{\text{meas}} (\times 10^3)$
0--27 GeV	$6.62 \pm 0.08^\dagger \pm 0.61^* (9.34\%)$
27--52 GeV	$13.47 \pm 0.10^\dagger \pm 0.60^* (4.48\%)$
52--87 GeV	$8.76 \pm 0.08^\dagger \pm 0.31^* (3.63\%)$
87--130 GeV	$3.00 \pm 0.04^\dagger \pm 0.29^* (9.90\%)$
130--172 GeV	$0.80 \pm 0.01^\dagger \pm 0.13^* (16.86\%)$
≥ 172 GeV	$0.12 \pm 0.00^\dagger \pm 0.03^* (26.54\%)$

Table A.34: Normalised $t\bar{t}$ cross section measurement with respect to H_T variable at a centre-of-mass energy of 8 TeV (combination of electron and muon channels). The errors shown are combined statistical, fit and unfolding errors (\dagger) and systematic uncertainty (*).

H_T bin [GeV]	$\sigma_{\text{meas}} (\times 10^3)$
120--185 GeV	$2.15 \pm 0.03^\dagger \pm 0.30^* (14.15\%)$
185--215 GeV	$4.35 \pm 0.05^\dagger \pm 0.46^* (10.65\%)$
215--247 GeV	$4.58 \pm 0.05^\dagger \pm 0.33^* (7.31\%)$
247--283 GeV	$3.98 \pm 0.04^\dagger \pm 0.16^* (4.09\%)$
283--323 GeV	$3.08 \pm 0.02^\dagger \pm 0.14^* (4.77\%)$
323--365 GeV	$2.23 \pm 0.02^\dagger \pm 0.16^* (7.42\%)$
365--409 GeV	$1.55 \pm 0.01^\dagger \pm 0.16^* (10.63\%)$
409--458 GeV	$1.03 \pm 0.01^\dagger \pm 0.14^* (14.02\%)$
458--512 GeV	$0.66 \pm 0.01^\dagger \pm 0.11^* (16.53\%)$
512--570 GeV	$0.41 \pm 0.00^\dagger \pm 0.08^* (18.81\%)$
570--629 GeV	$0.26 \pm 0.00^\dagger \pm 0.06^* (21.32\%)$
629--691 GeV	$0.16 \pm 0.00^\dagger \pm 0.04^* (22.81\%)$
691--769 GeV	$0.10 \pm 0.00^\dagger \pm 0.02^* (24.91\%)$
≥ 769 GeV	$0.05 \pm 0.00^\dagger \pm 0.01^* (27.17\%)$

Table A.35: Normalised $t\bar{t}$ cross section measurement with respect to S_T variable at a centre-of-mass energy of 8 TeV (combination of electron and muon channels). The errors shown are combined statistical, fit and unfolding errors (\dagger) and systematic uncertainty (*).

S_T bin [GeV]	$\sigma_{meas} (\times 10^3)$
146--277 GeV	$1.12 \pm 0.02^\dagger \pm 0.13^* (11.89\%)$
277--319 GeV	$3.64 \pm 0.06^\dagger \pm 0.34^* (9.38\%)$
319--361 GeV	$3.83 \pm 0.05^\dagger \pm 0.23^* (6.23\%)$
361--408 GeV	$3.22 \pm 0.03^\dagger \pm 0.09^* (2.90\%)$
408--459 GeV	$2.38 \pm 0.02^\dagger \pm 0.14^* (5.78\%)$
459--514 GeV	$1.64 \pm 0.02^\dagger \pm 0.15^* (9.51\%)$
514--573 GeV	$1.05 \pm 0.01^\dagger \pm 0.13^* (12.54\%)$
573--637 GeV	$0.66 \pm 0.01^\dagger \pm 0.09^* (14.23\%)$
637--705 GeV	$0.40 \pm 0.01^\dagger \pm 0.06^* (15.49\%)$
705--774 GeV	$0.24 \pm 0.00^\dagger \pm 0.04^* (16.96\%)$
774--854 GeV	$0.14 \pm 0.00^\dagger \pm 0.02^* (17.06\%)$
854--940 GeV	$0.08 \pm 0.00^\dagger \pm 0.01^* (17.45\%)$
≥ 940 GeV	$0.04 \pm 0.00^\dagger \pm 0.01^* (19.37\%)$

Table A.36: Normalised $t\bar{t}$ cross section measurement with respect to M_T^W variable at a centre-of-mass energy of 8 TeV (combination of electron and muon channels). The errors shown are combined statistical, fit and unfolding errors (\dagger) and systematic uncertainty (*).

M_T^W bin [GeV]	$\sigma_{meas} (\times 10^3)$
0--23 GeV	$4.88 \pm 0.08^\dagger \pm 0.27^* (5.71\%)$
23--58 GeV	$8.30 \pm 0.07^\dagger \pm 0.23^* (2.86\%)$
≥ 58 GeV	$14.22 \pm 0.07^\dagger \pm 0.33^* (2.37\%)$

Table A.37: Normalised $t\bar{t}$ cross section measurement with respect to p_T^W variable at a centre-of-mass energy of 8 TeV (combination of electron and muon channels). The errors shown are combined statistical, fit and unfolding errors (\dagger) and systematic uncertainty (*).

p_T^W bin [GeV]	$\sigma_{meas} (\times 10^3)$
0--27 GeV	$3.64 \pm 0.04^\dagger \pm 0.34^* (9.46\%)$
27--52 GeV	$8.59 \pm 0.07^\dagger \pm 0.67^* (7.80\%)$
52--78 GeV	$9.22 \pm 0.07^\dagger \pm 0.33^* (3.69\%)$
78--105 GeV	$6.98 \pm 0.05^\dagger \pm 0.18^* (2.64\%)$
105--134 GeV	$4.24 \pm 0.04^\dagger \pm 0.31^* (7.43\%)$
134--166 GeV	$2.18 \pm 0.02^\dagger \pm 0.26^* (11.87\%)$
166--200 GeV	$1.01 \pm 0.01^\dagger \pm 0.16^* (16.32\%)$
200--237 GeV	$0.45 \pm 0.01^\dagger \pm 0.10^* (21.32\%)$
≥ 237 GeV	$0.24 \pm 0.00^\dagger \pm 0.06^* (26.46\%)$

B | Service Work

B.1 Tracker Detector On Call (DOC)

The author's service work contribution to the CMS experiment consisted in part of providing on-call duties to the CMS strip tracker sub-detector.

B.2 Tracker Upgrade

Maintenance is also being carried out on the strip tracker during Long Shutdown 1 to recover damaged channels and also to improve the dry-gas supply and sealing to ensure the running temperature can be lowered to mitigate radiation damage when operations are started in the first half of 2015.

B.3 CMS Binary Chip

Prior to PhD research, the author carried out characterisation studies of the CMS Binary Chip (CBC) for his MSc thesis. The CBC is the proposed 128 channel application specific integrated-circuit (ASIC) readout chip for the silicon strip tracker sub-detector of CMS [54][TODO:OK TO REFERENCE MASTERS THESIS?]. These studies were continued during beginning months of the PhD, as presented in the following sections.

B.3.1 Introduction and previous studies

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Upgrades to the LHC over the coming years (Phase I) will lead to improvements on the operating parameters of the LHC detailed in Section 2.1. By 2023, the luminosity delivered by the LHC is expected to be $2 \times 10^{34} \text{cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$. After 2023 (Phase 2), Long Shutdown 3 is planned to implement further performance upgrades and will lead to a luminosity of $5 \times 10^{34} \text{cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$. Figure B.1 shows the planned shutdowns and upgrades over the next decade.

The High Luminosity LHC (HL-LHC), as the machine will be known then, will experience higher collision rates, leading to a requirement for an upgraded CMS tracker in order to remove the radiation damage suffered by the tracker until that point, to ensure it is capable of withstanding the subsequent higher radiation levels, and to allow the tracker to maintain performance with the resulting 100-200 proton-proton interactions per bunch crossing [62].

The inclusion of the CBC in the CMS strip tracker will also lead to the provision of tracker data to the L1 trigger, whereas currently the tracker data is only used at HLT level, and L1 trigger decisions are made using muon chambers and calorimeters. The design of the CBC is largely driven by this trigger contribution requirement in order to maintain a

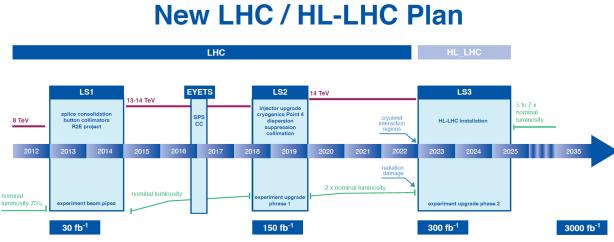


Figure B.1: Schedule of LHC upgrades over the next decade.

practical L1 trigger rate in the high luminosity environment. The upgraded strip tracker will also require a higher granularity in order to maintain low occupancy (a few percent), but simultaneously will need to maintain a low amount of material in order that particle interactions with dead material is minimised so tracks with low p_T can be resolved efficiently. The increased number of channels will require the design power demand of the CBC to be lowered (accomplished in part through the digital readout) from the current 2.7 mW/channel to a targeted 0.5 mW/channel [55, 42, 67].

A description of the CBC is given in [55], and summarised together with a description of the laboratory setup in [54]. In summary, the setup consisted of the CBC held on a CBC carrier board, connected via an FPGA mezzanine card (FMC) to a field programmable gate array (FPGA) which was connected to a controlling computer. In summary, the signal created in a connected silicon sensor would enter the CBC through the analogue front end and a comparator digitises the signal to produce a binary output, a '1' to indicate a 'hit' or '0'. The CBC includes a setting to read out either 'electrons' or 'holes', and 24 of the 128 channels were wire bonded out from the chip to allow signal to be injected if desired.

Tests were carried out on the CBCv1 to verify its operation, to get information about the behaviour of the analogue front-end, to test the response of the CBC to varying sizes of injected charges, to measure the gain at a range of temperatures from -40 °C and 40 °C and to measure the channel to channel variation in pedestal voltage. The basic principle of the tests involved scanning through the values of comparator threshold voltage, creating an 's-curve', and evaluating the point at which the mean output changed from '0's to '1's or vice versa.

Tests were carried out only on one chip, however. Continuation of this work, including some studies on a second CBCv1 chip, are outlined below.

B.3.2 Measuring signal noise using a capacitor

The noise in the test setup was investigated by attaching a capacitor to the CBC Carrier board inputs for one of the channels which were wire bonded out from the CBC. At first, short wires were used (1cm in length) to introduce a capacitance to the input signal. However, the capacitance of the board was so low (meaning the capacitance of even very short wires was too high) that no useful measure of the noise in the signal could be obtained from the resulting s-curves. In fact, at no point during the scan of the channel offsets did the comparator return all $\text{â} \ddot{\text{Y}} 1 \text{â} \acute{\text{Z}}$ s or all $\text{â} \ddot{\text{Y}} 0 \text{â} \acute{\text{Z}}$ s. After modifying the CBC carrier board to allow a capacitor to be plugged directly into an input socket for the bonded channels, the tests were carried out with capacitors ranging from 1pF to 10pF. The variation in the widths of these s-curves, a measure of the gaussian distribution of noise in the signal, are shown in Figure B.2. The plots for both electrons and holes show similar trends.

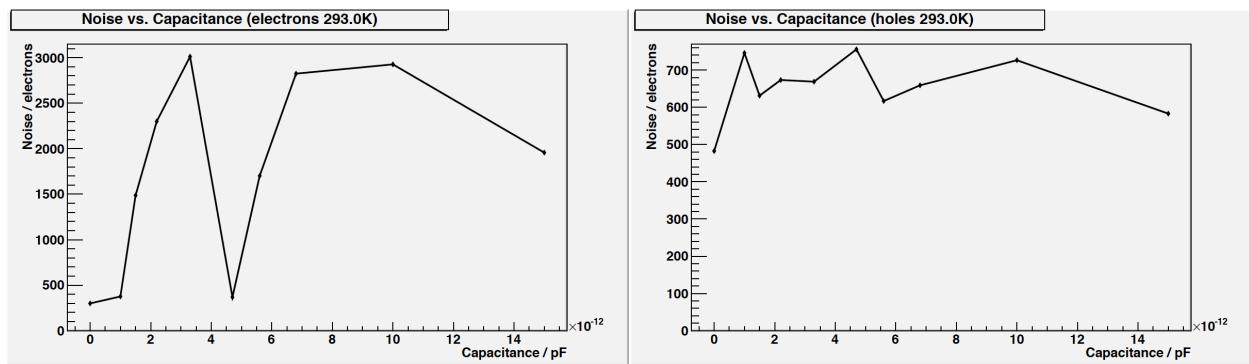


Figure B.2: Noise as a function of added capacitance for channel 65 in 'electrons' mode (left) and 'holes' mode (right).

The erratic variations over such small changes in capacitance may be explained by the fact that the noise present in the test setup was showing levels of the order of thousands of electrons. The tests to study the variation in noise as a function of added capacitance to an injection channel were therefore of little use, due to the added noise now being so small compared to the noise in the test setup. After establishing that the noise in the system

was associated to the incoming pulse, additional grounding and shielding was introduced in the form of copper tape, insulation between the connecting cables, placing the chip and its carrier board inside an aluminium box and injecting the pulse through a triaxial cable rather than a coaxial cable. Unfortunately the latest results after all these modifications (Figure B.3) show that although the noise on channels which are not connected to the pulse injection cable was reduced to an acceptable level (about 200 electrons), the noise on the connected channel is still extremely high. The apparent limit of 200 electrons at the lower end of the scale is assumed to be due to the granularity of the threshold voltage scans; using finer steps would have resulted in a smaller s-curve width, i.e. lower noise.

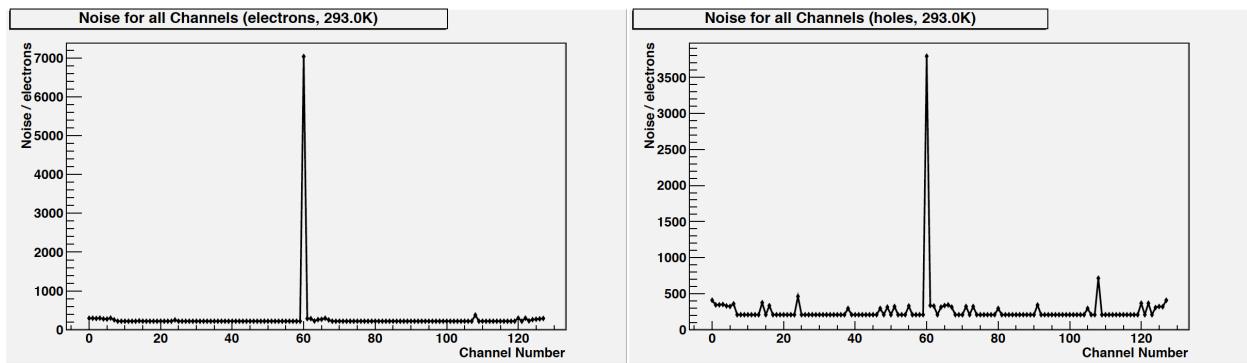


Figure B.3: Noise for all channels with injection cable connected to channel 60 but with no pulse injected, in 'electrons' mode (left) and 'holes' mode (right).

B.3.3 Gain

The gain measurement for a second CBC was measured from the data obtained by varying the injected pulse magnitude from the pulse generator to the CBC between 0.3 fC and 4.8 fC. Firstly, by varying the delay between sending a pulse and taking a triggered data sample from the CBC, a picture can be built up of the behaviour of the analogue front-end of the CBC. This will, in fact, give a measure of the voltage in the postamplifier convoluted with any voltage offset in the comparator. Plots of the s-curve mid-point for the range of delays (in steps of 1ns) is shown for four injected sizes of injected charge in Figure B.4a.

The gain, defined as the mean ratio of the output signal to the input of a system. A plot of the difference between the peak and the pedestal voltages as a function of injected charge

can be produced (Figure B.4b), from which the gradient gives the gain of the CBC at 2020°C in 'holes' mode. This value was calculated as $31.7 \pm 1.1\text{mV/fC}$

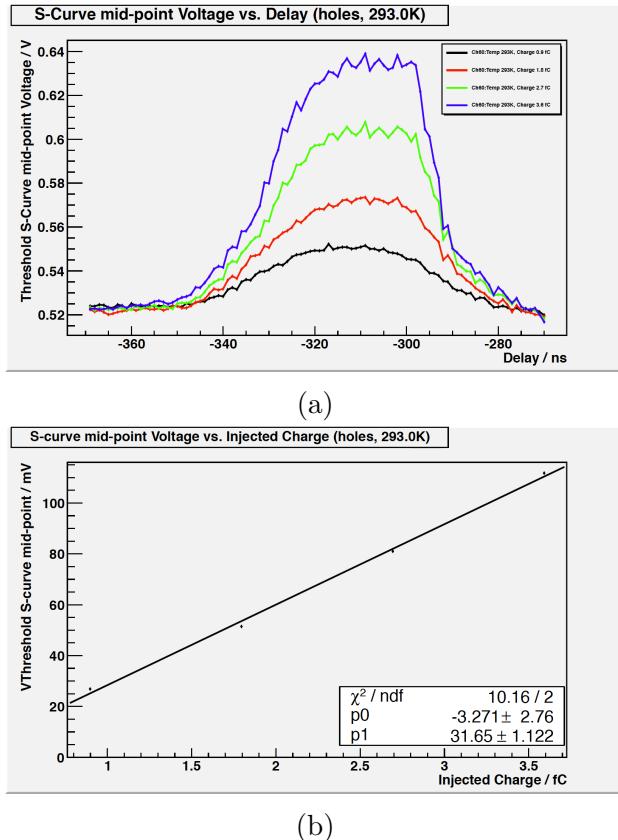


Figure B.4: S-curve mid-point (a) as a function of pulse generator delay and (b) as a function of injected charge in 'holes' mode at 20 °C.

B.3.4 Investigating change in Preampl Input Branch Bias Current

The 'Ipre1' bias generator register of the CBC governs the current in the input to the preamplifier in the front-end of the chip. Following scans over the Ipre1 range for a range of temperatures from -40 °C to 40 °C (Figure B.5, it was noted that the effect of modifying the current in the preamplifier input seems to flatten out after showing an initial decrease between 10 μA and 100 μA for 'electrons' mode, and after an initial increase between values of 10 μA to 50 μA for 'holes' mode. NOT REALLY SURE WHAT THIS SHOWS, JUST INVESTIGATED THE EFFECT OF IPRE1. NEED TO PUT A SENTENCE IN HERE ABOUT WHAT THIS TELLS US.

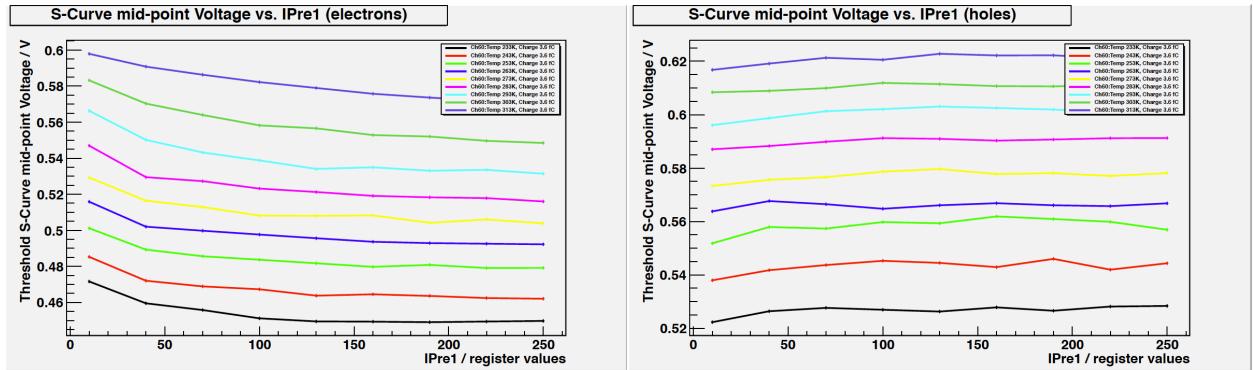


Figure B.5: Variation in s-curve mid-point over range of Ipre1 register values for temperatures from -40 °C to 40 °C.

B.3.5 Summary

This chapter has presented a short report based on the continuation of work from the author's MSc investigation the CBC. Attempts were made to characterise the noise in the CBC using additional capacitors, but these showed that the noise levels in the test setup were excessively high. Attempts were made to reduce this to below the design target of 1000 electrons. However, the impact of the actions taken were enough only to reduce the noise on CBC channels that are not wire-bonded to approximately 200 electrons, while the noise present in a bonded channel connected to the pulse generator was still several thousand electrons.

The gain of a second CBC was measured in 'holes' mode at 20 °C as $31.7 \pm 1.1\text{mV/fC}$, which is in agreement with typical values of readout chips in silicon detectors of between approximately 15mV/fC and 40mV/fC [57]. The bias generator regulating the current input to the preamplifier was investigated over its register range at temperatures from -40 °C to 40 °C. It was found that in the region up to 100 μA , the comparator voltage decreased in 'electrons' mode, and up to 50 μA increased for 'holes' mode.

Following the work in [54] and that presented here, testing has continued on a newer 254-channel version of the chip (CBC2), with triggering capability on-board to contribute to the Level 1 trigger and designed to be bump-bonded as opposed to wire bonded [60, 12]. Prototypes of the modules that will carry the CBCs when installed in the CMS detector

have also been produced and tested. The subsequent CBC3 is currently in the design and manufacture stage (TODO:CAN I REFERENCE PRESENTATIONS IN A PHD THESIS?) and is scheduled to be available for testing in approximately May 2016, with an 'insurance' CBC4 scheduled, if necessary, for testing to begin with the final version in 2018.

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