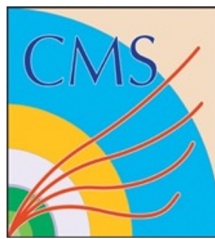




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# CMS overview

“When charm and beauty adjoin the top”

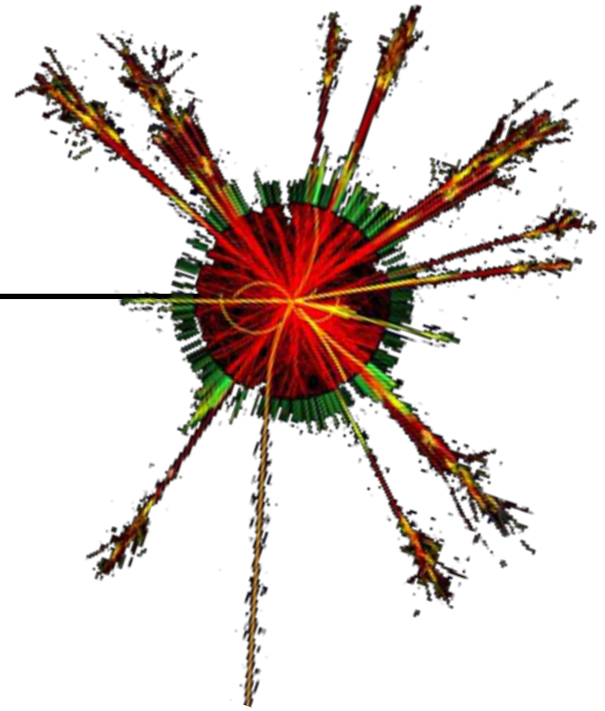
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# The LHC and CMS

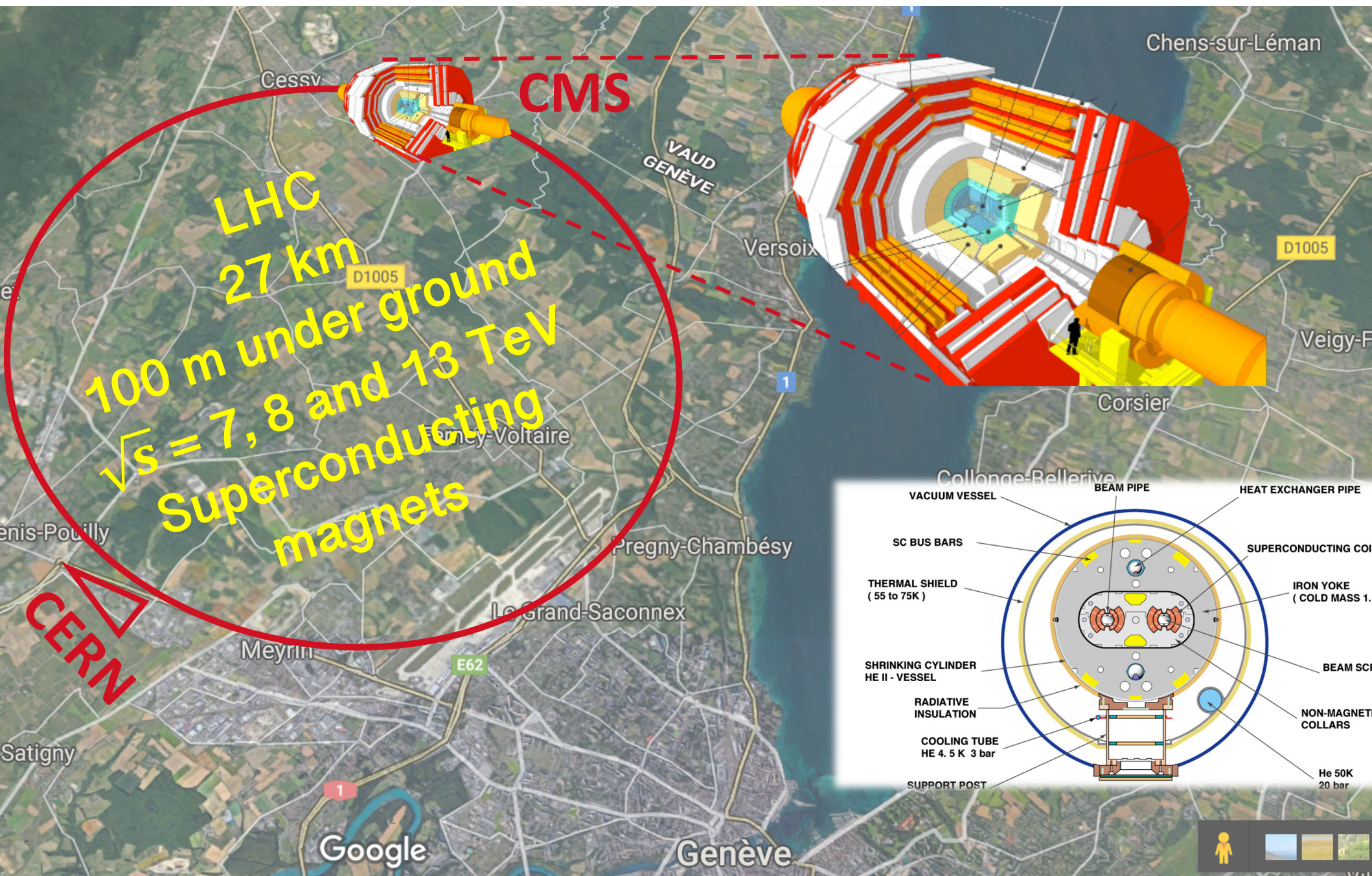
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# The Large hadron collider at CERN

## High energy proton collisions + high luminosity





# The Compact Muon Solenoid (CMS)

## Particle detector with layered cylindrical structure

### CMS DETECTOR

Total weight : 14,000 tonnes  
 Overall diameter : 15.0 m  
 Overall length : 28.7 m  
 Magnetic field : 3.8 T

STEEL RETURN YOKE  
 12,500 tonnes

SILICON TRACKERS  
 Pixel ( $100 \times 150 \mu\text{m}$ )  $\sim 16\text{m}^2 \sim 66\text{M}$  channels  
 Microstrips ( $80 \times 180 \mu\text{m}$ )  $\sim 200\text{m}^2 \sim 9.6\text{M}$  channels

SUPERCONDUCTING SOLENOID  
 Niobium titanium coil carrying  $\sim 18,000\text{A}$

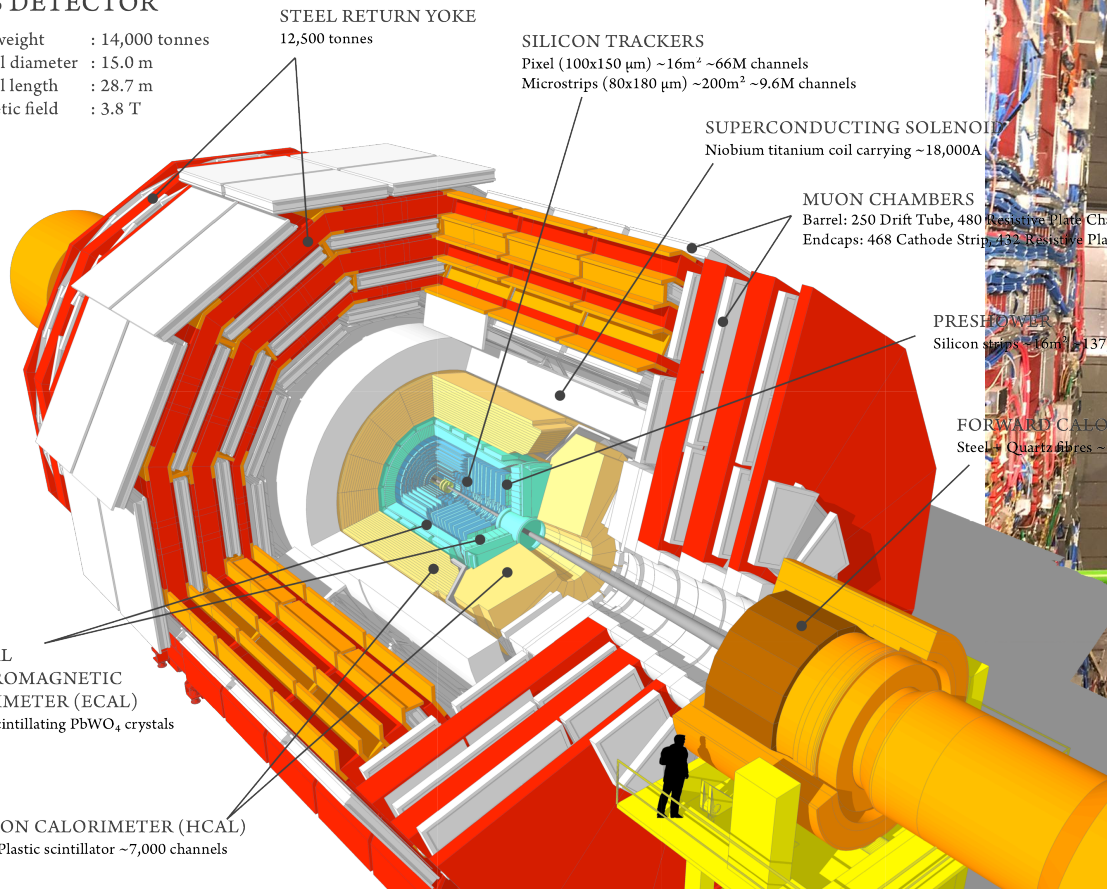
MUON CHAMBERS  
 Barrel: 250 Drift Tube, 480 Resistive Plate Chambers  
 Endcaps: 468 Cathode Strip, 432 Resistive Plate Chambers

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 Silicon strips  $\sim 16\text{m}^2 \sim 137,000$  channels

FORWARD CALORIMETER  
 Steel + Quartz fibres  $\sim 2,000$  channels

CRYSTAL ELECTROMAGNETIC CALORIMETER (ECAL)  
 $\sim 76,000$  scintillating  $\text{PbWO}_4$  crystals

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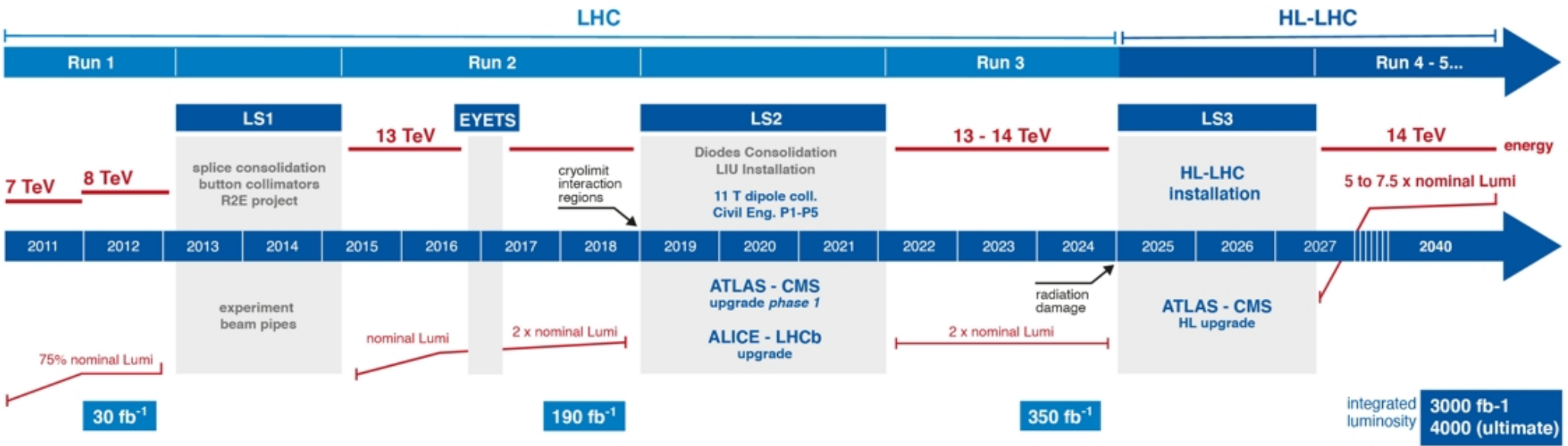
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# LHC data-taking

## Schedule of the LHC over the past and future years



### LHC / HL-LHC Plan



#### HL-LHC TECHNICAL EQUIPMENT:



#### HL-LHC CIVIL ENGINEERING:



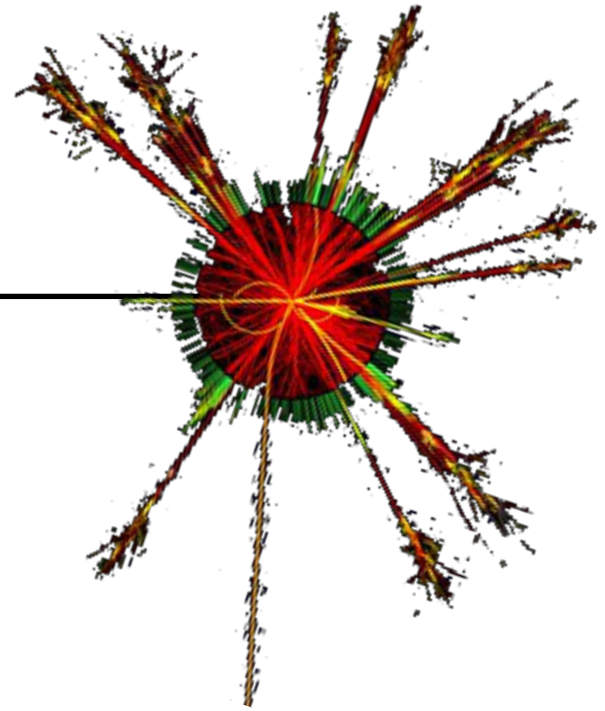
Run-2

Run-3

Phase-2

Run-2 has finished!

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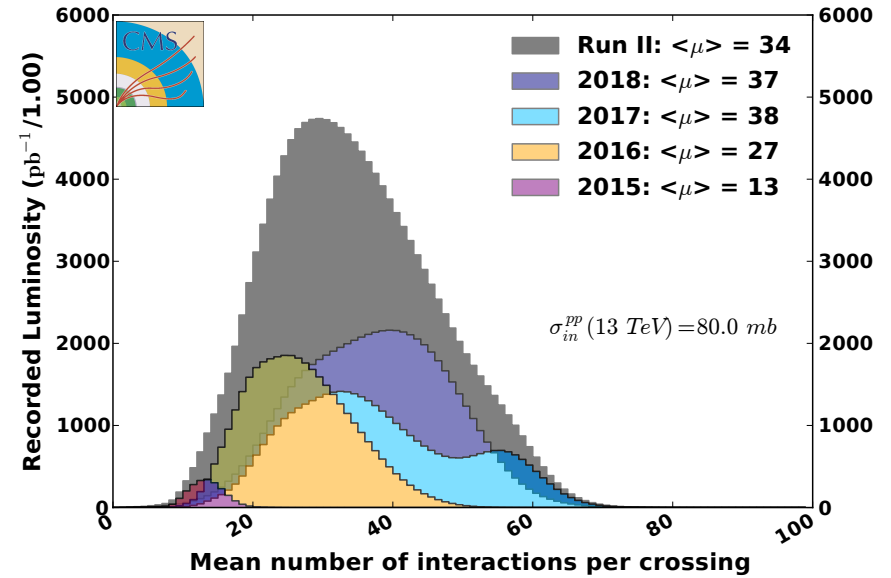


# Run-2 achievements

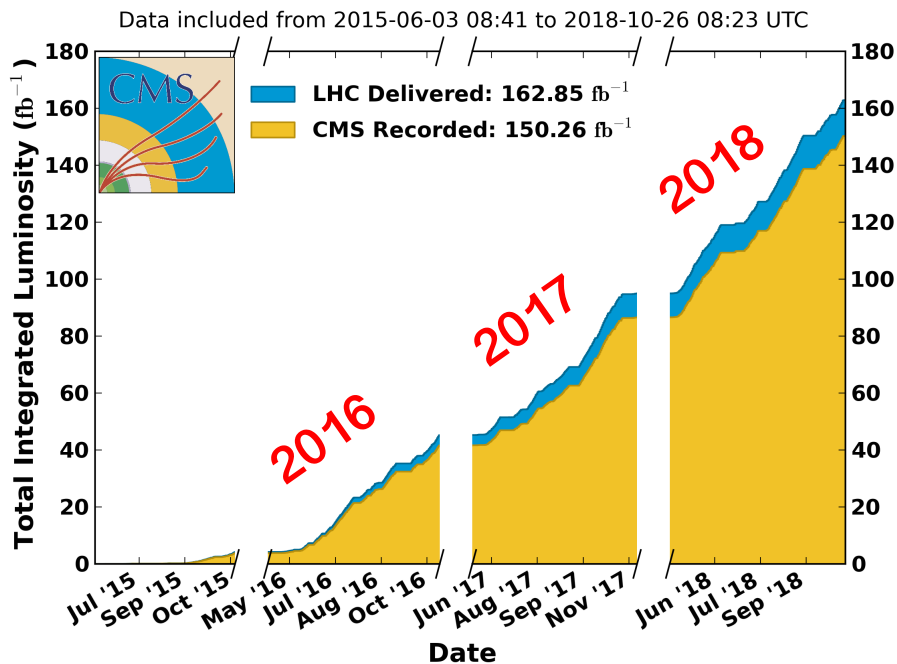
CMS accumulated 137 fb<sup>-1</sup> of data for physics analyses!

**137 fb<sup>-1</sup> =**  
**~ O(100 million) top-quark pairs**  
**~ O(10 million) Higgs bosons**

CMS Average Pileup (pp,  $\sqrt{s}=13$  TeV)



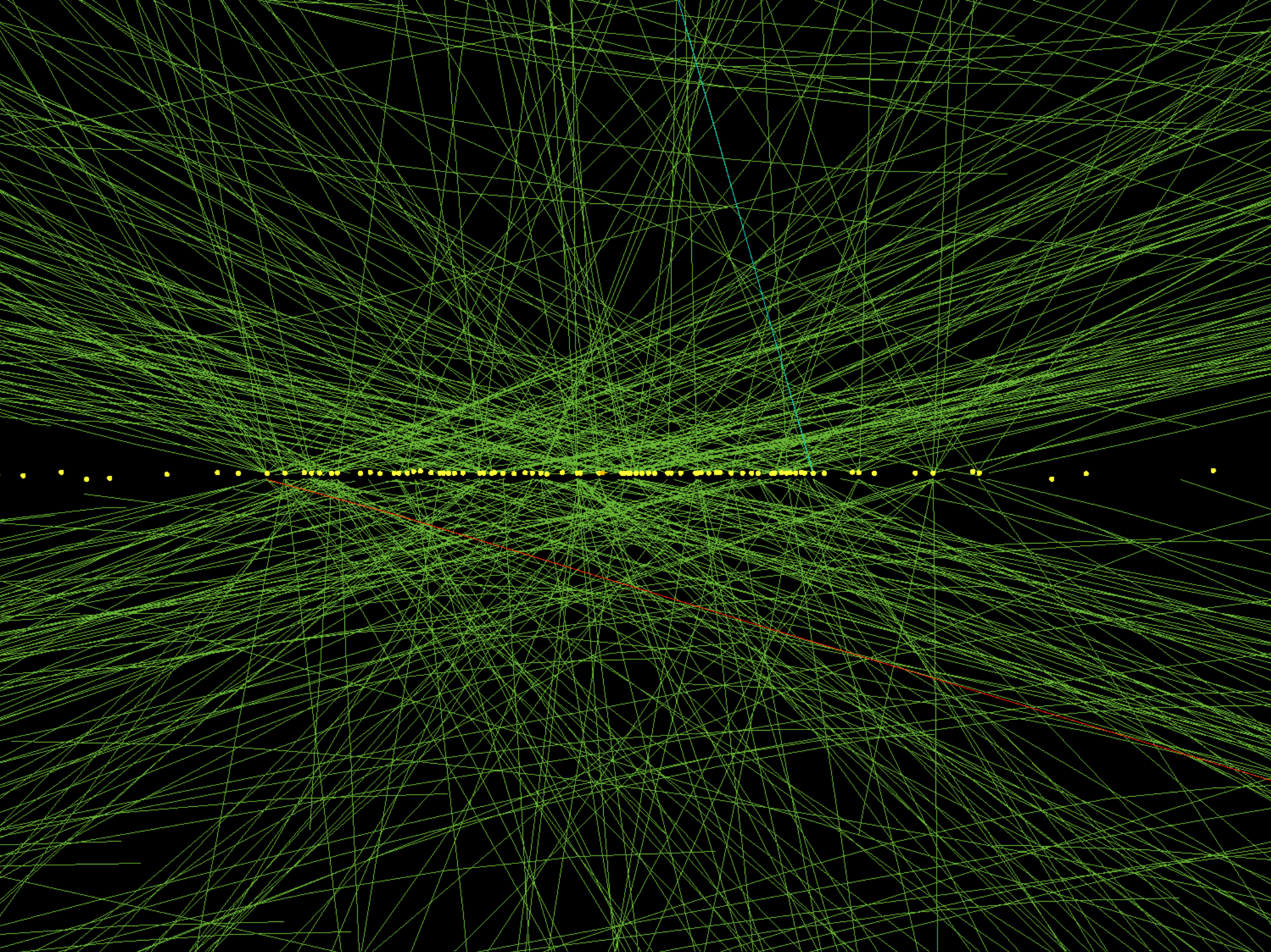
CMS Integrated Luminosity, pp,  $\sqrt{s} = 13$  TeV



Pileup grows over the years!  
Average growing close to 40 interactions per bunch crossing in Run-2.

We can handle this, and more in the future!

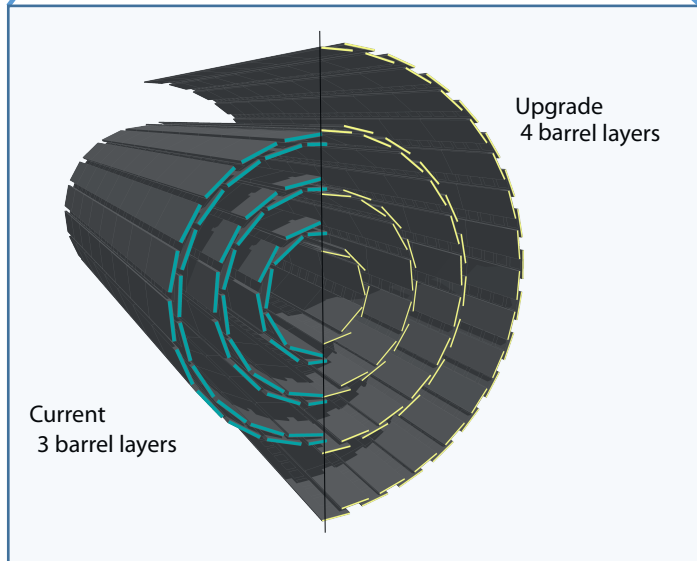
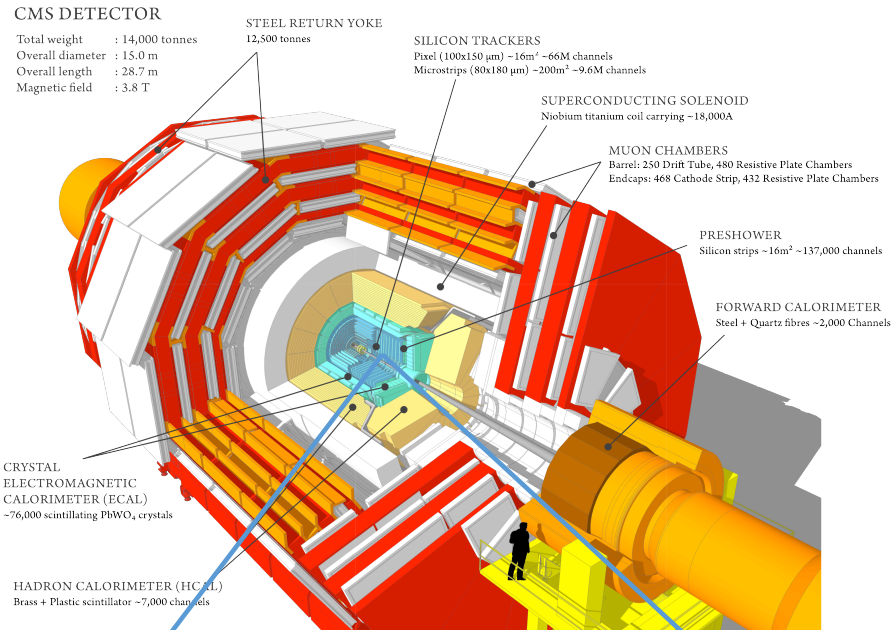
Phase-2 (2030?) ~ 200 average pileup!  
Requires innovation both in software and hardware.





# Run-2 achievements

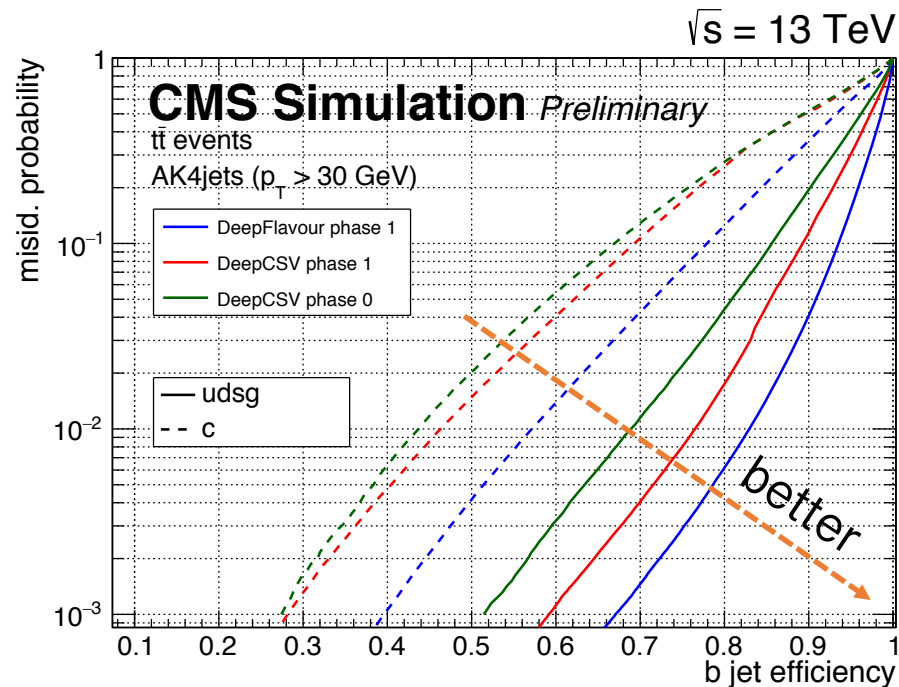
## New pixel tracker clearly benefits the Collaboration!



After years of preparation:  
2016-2017: upgrade to 'Phase-1' Pixel tracker (repair for radiation damage)

New 4-layer pixel tracker geometry  
Additional layer closer to the beampipe

Clear improved performance, for example for  $b$  tagging ( $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$ ,  $t \rightarrow bW$ )! But also from software developments (@IHE)!



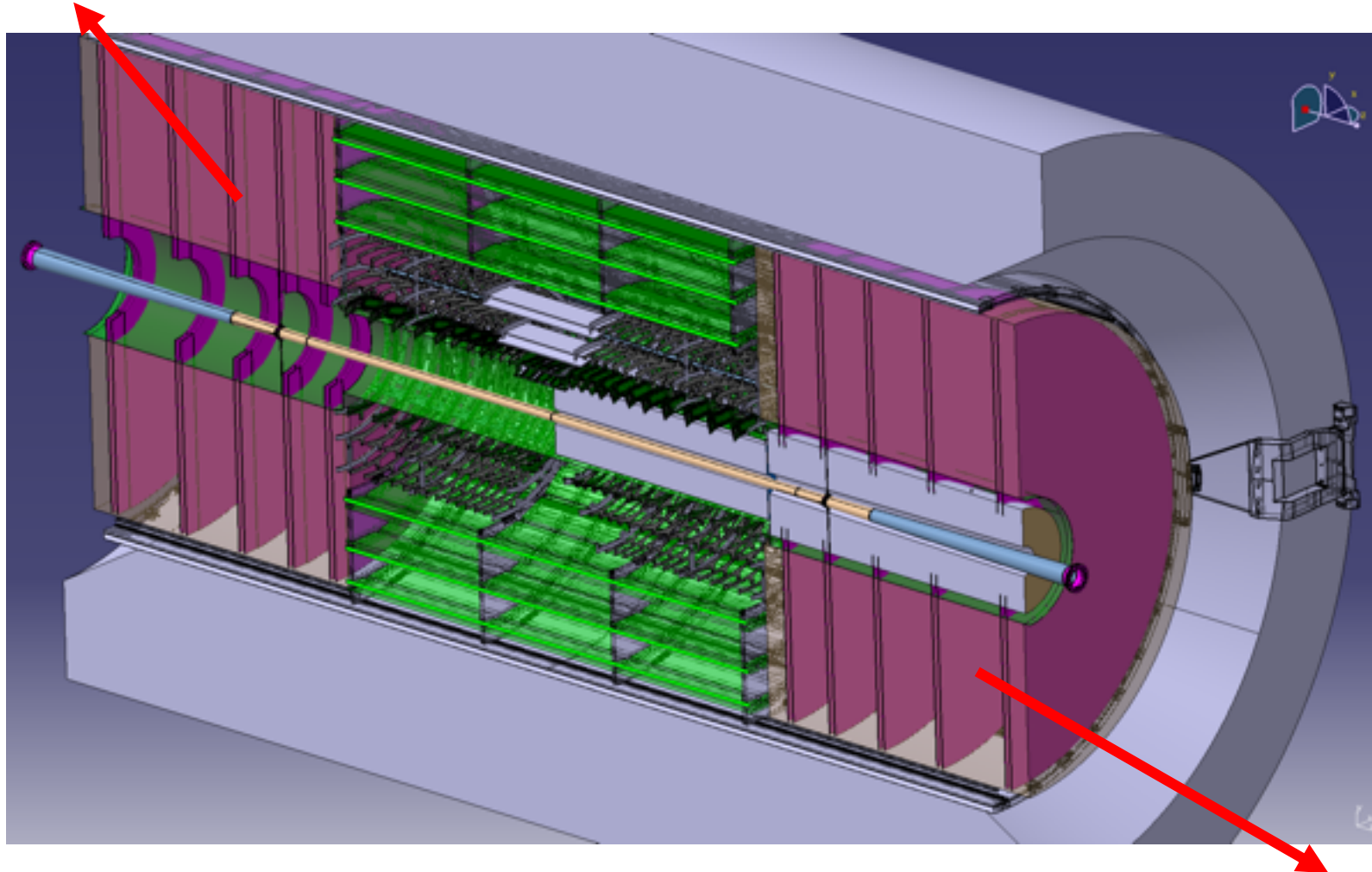
# Phase-2 tracker assembly @ IHE

Belgium was assigned to construct one endcap of the Phase-2 tracker!

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Phase-2 tracker upgrade, intended for the High-luminosity upgrade of the LHC

Belgium



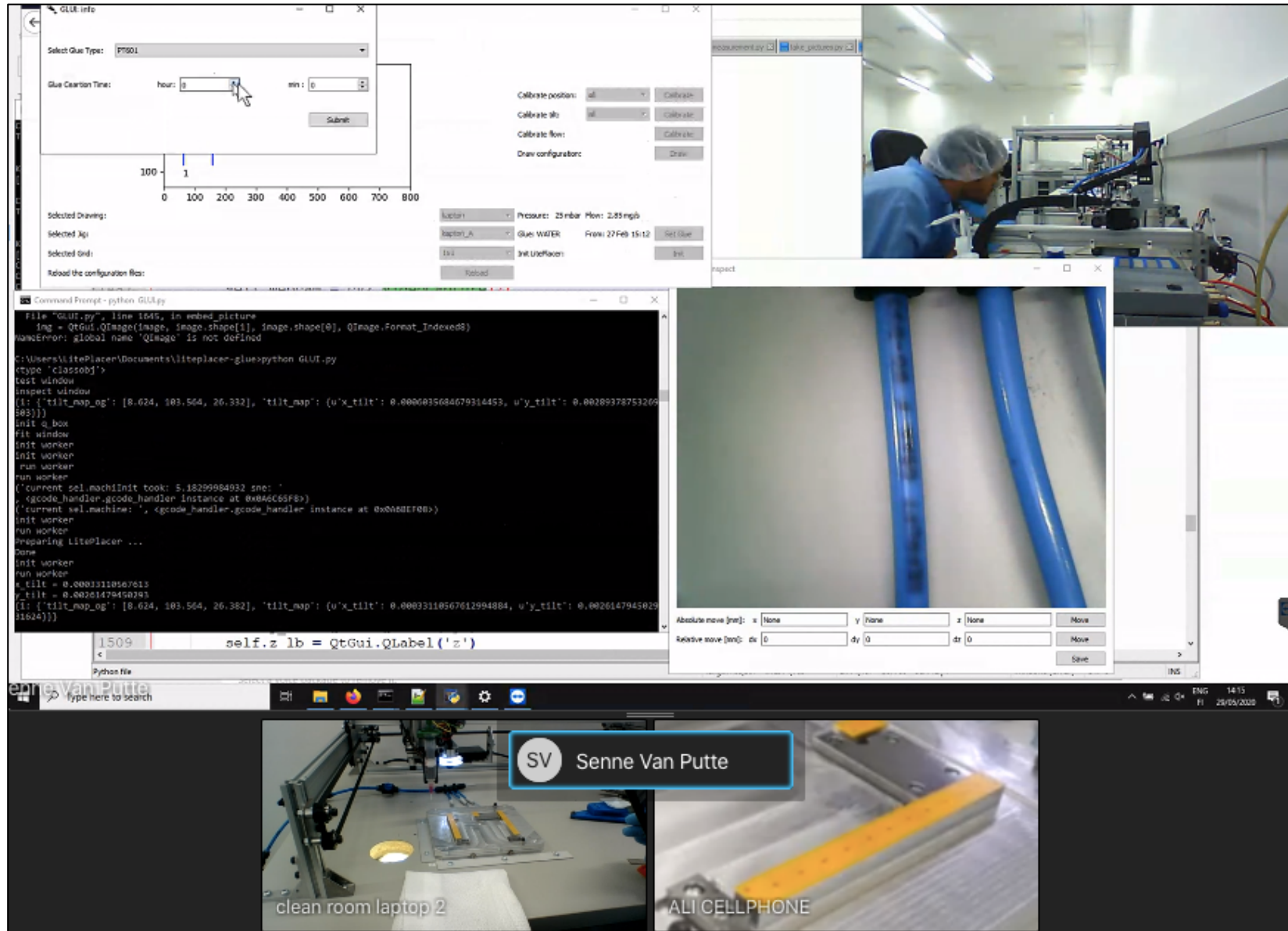
DESY



# Phase-2 tracker assembly @ IIHE

## Successful “remote prototyping of CMS modules” in times of COVID-19!

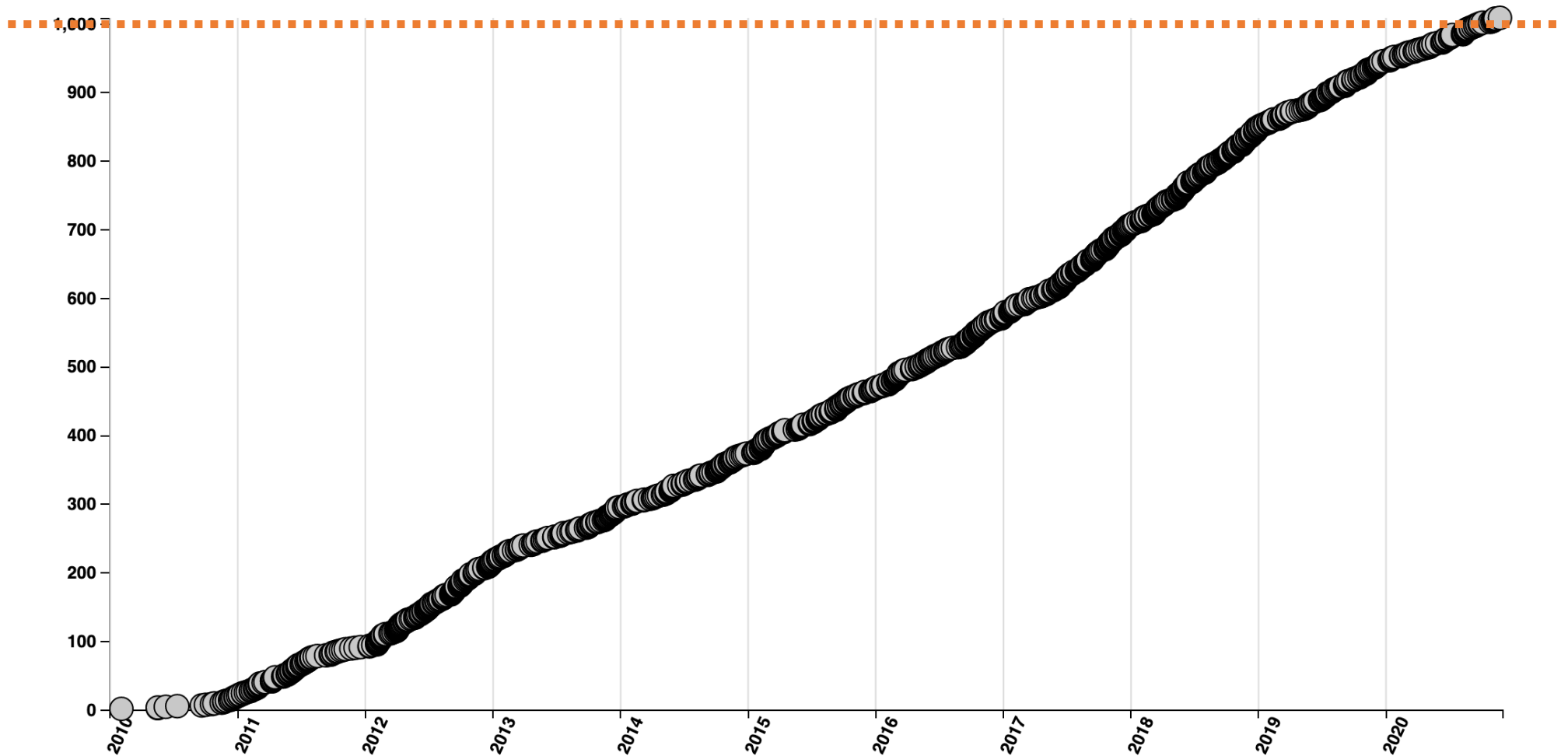
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assembly control room as a shared screen, displaying the previously-prepared assembly workflow, the gluing robot control interface, front and side views of the robot with Ali handling the gluing jigs, and the view from Ali's cell phone camera.

# CMS has published > 1000 papers!

1007 collider data papers submitted as of 2020-11-24

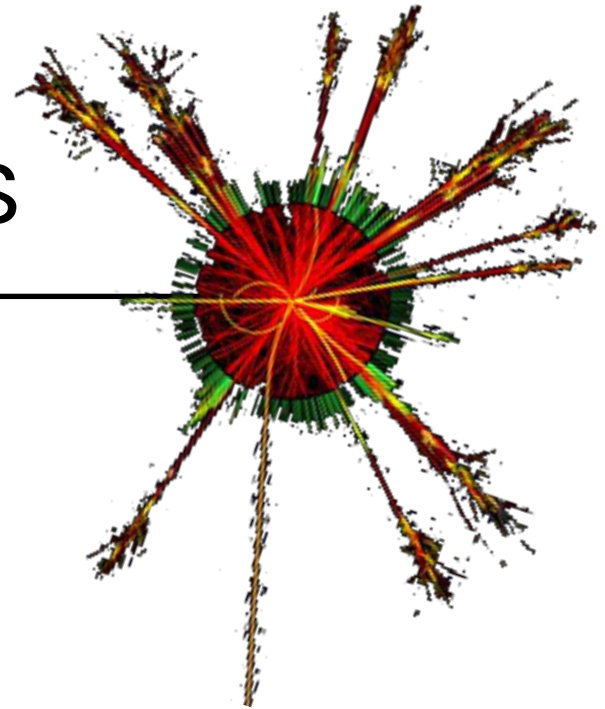


# Run-2 physics highlights

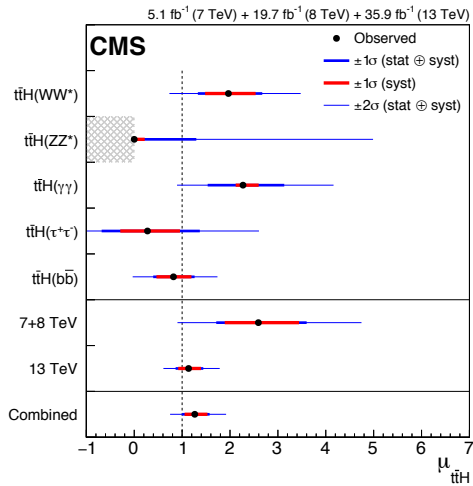
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*Non exhaustive list!*

*Focusing on the Higgs-top interplay*

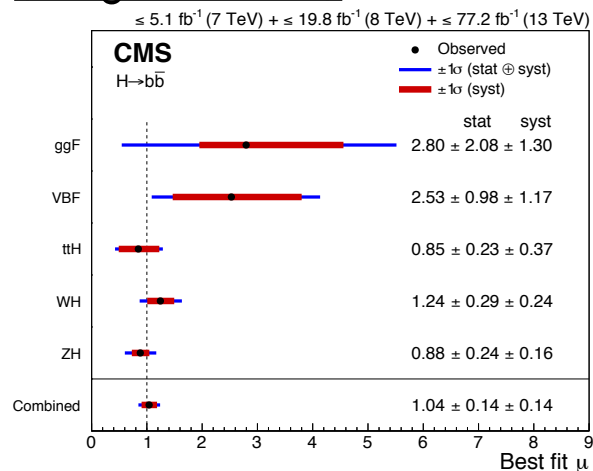


### Observation of $t\bar{t}H$ production! (April 2018)

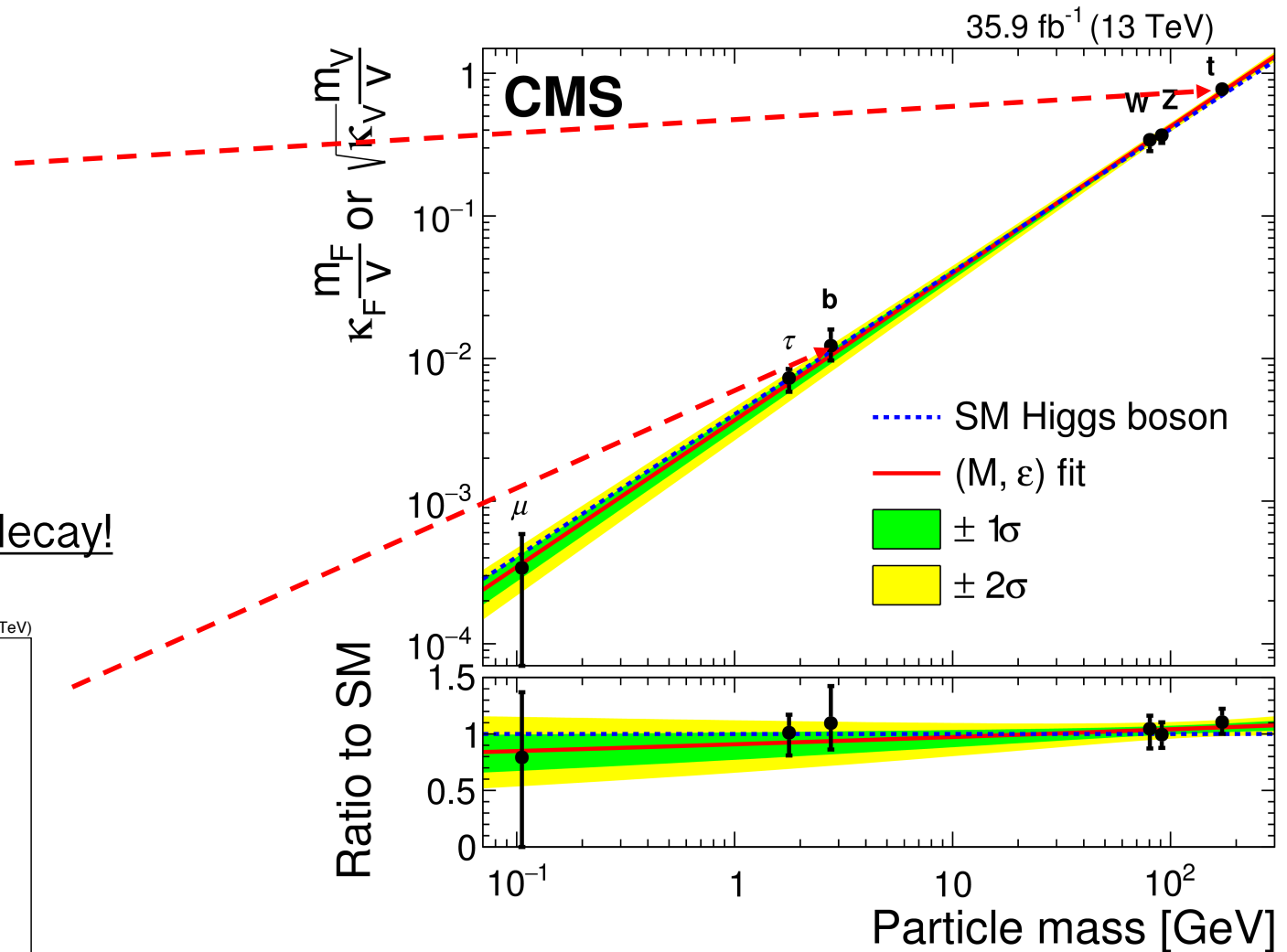


[arXiv:1804.02610](https://arxiv.org/abs/1804.02610)

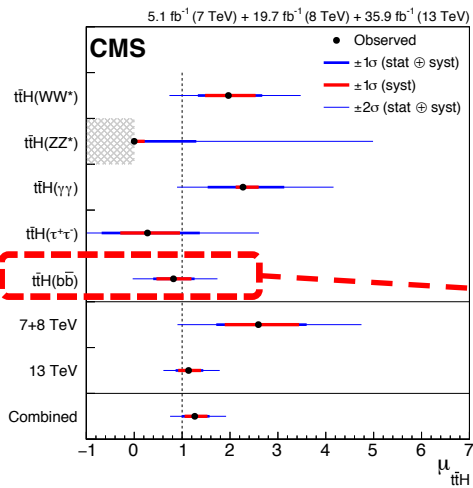
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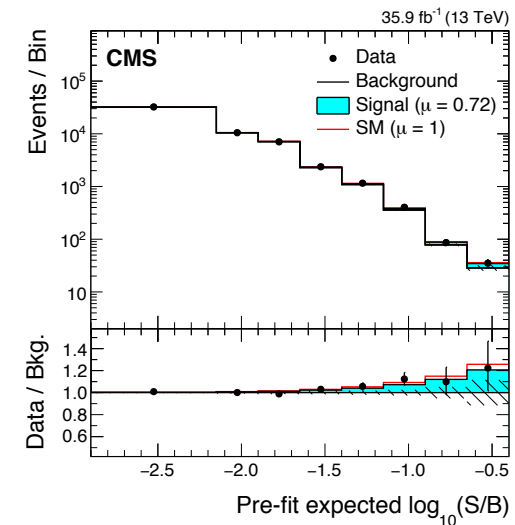
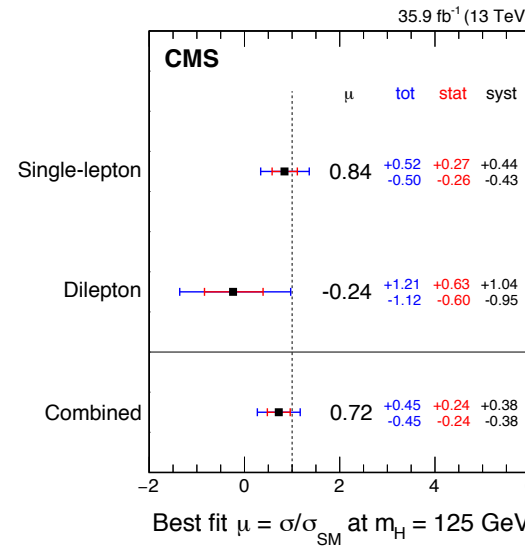
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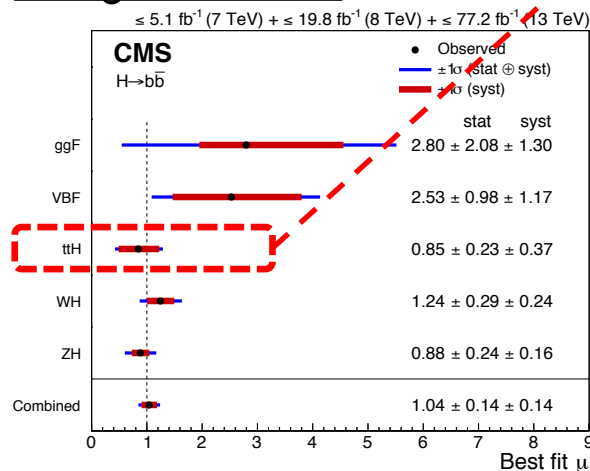
Both discoveries rely on a measurement of  $t\bar{t}H(H \rightarrow b\bar{b})$

[arXiv:1804.03682](https://arxiv.org/abs/1804.03682)



*observed (expected) significance of 1.6 (2.2)*

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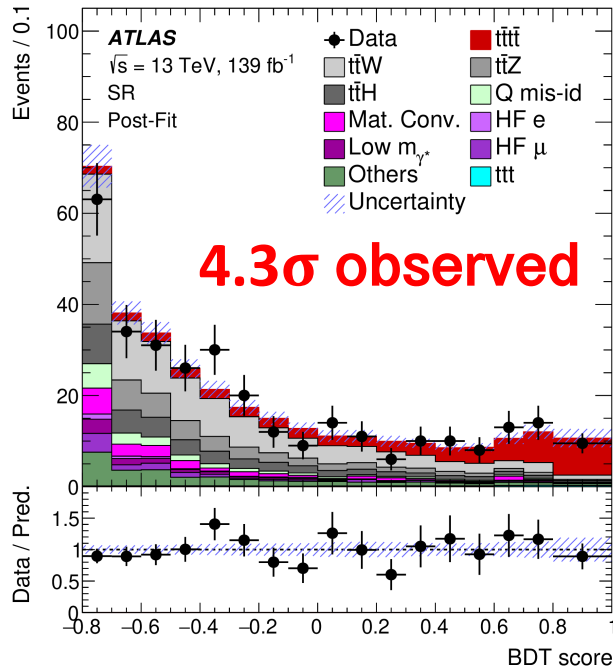


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$t\bar{t}H(H \rightarrow b\bar{b})$  suffers from an irreducible (non-resonant) background of (gluon-induced)  $t\bar{t}+b\bar{b}$  and  $t\bar{t}+c\bar{c}$  (through mistags)

Topic of the 2<sup>nd</sup> part!

## Evidence for four top quark production + EFT interpretations



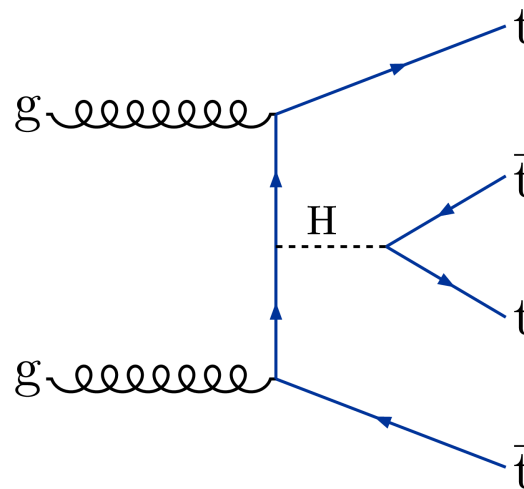
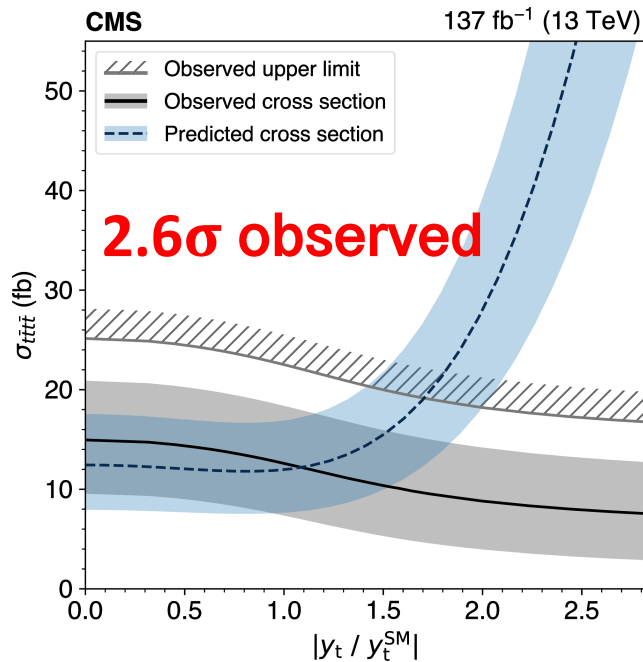
The extensive content of the Run-2 Legacy dataset triggers **global EFT interpretations**.

ex. ML for EFT in  $t\bar{t}b\bar{b} \rightarrow$  [Arxiv:1807.02130](https://arxiv.org/abs/1807.02130)  
 (@IHE collab between pheno and CMS group)

Global EFT interpretation already exists in CMS for  $tt+Z/W/H/tZq/tHq$  ([PAS-TOP-19-001](https://arxiv.org/abs/1901.00101))

Could be also very promising to have a global EFT interpretation in  $tt+HF/tttt/ttH$

$\rightarrow$  **modified tH, tg or four-quark vertices**



Is this  $t\bar{t}H$ ?

Or  $t\bar{t}t\bar{t}$ ?

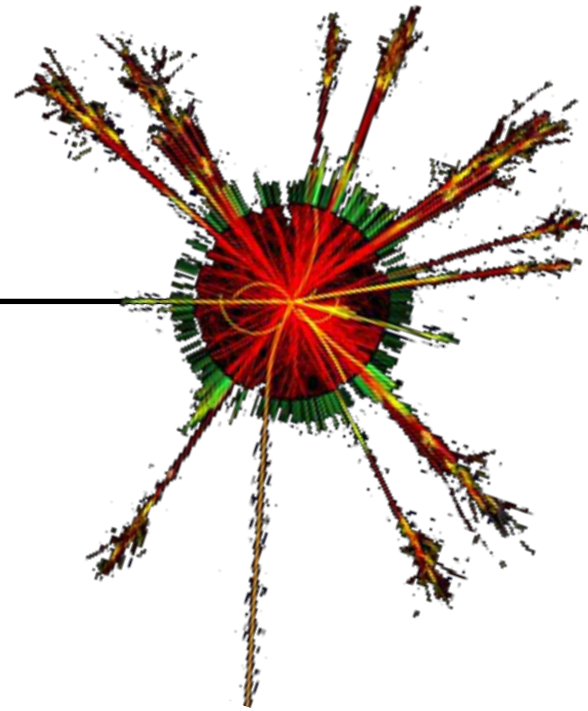
Or  $t\bar{t}b\bar{b}$   
 (replace t by b)?

Or all together?

**Run-2** was for the  
**3<sup>rd</sup> generation**

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**Run-3** will be for  
**the 2<sup>nd</sup> generation**

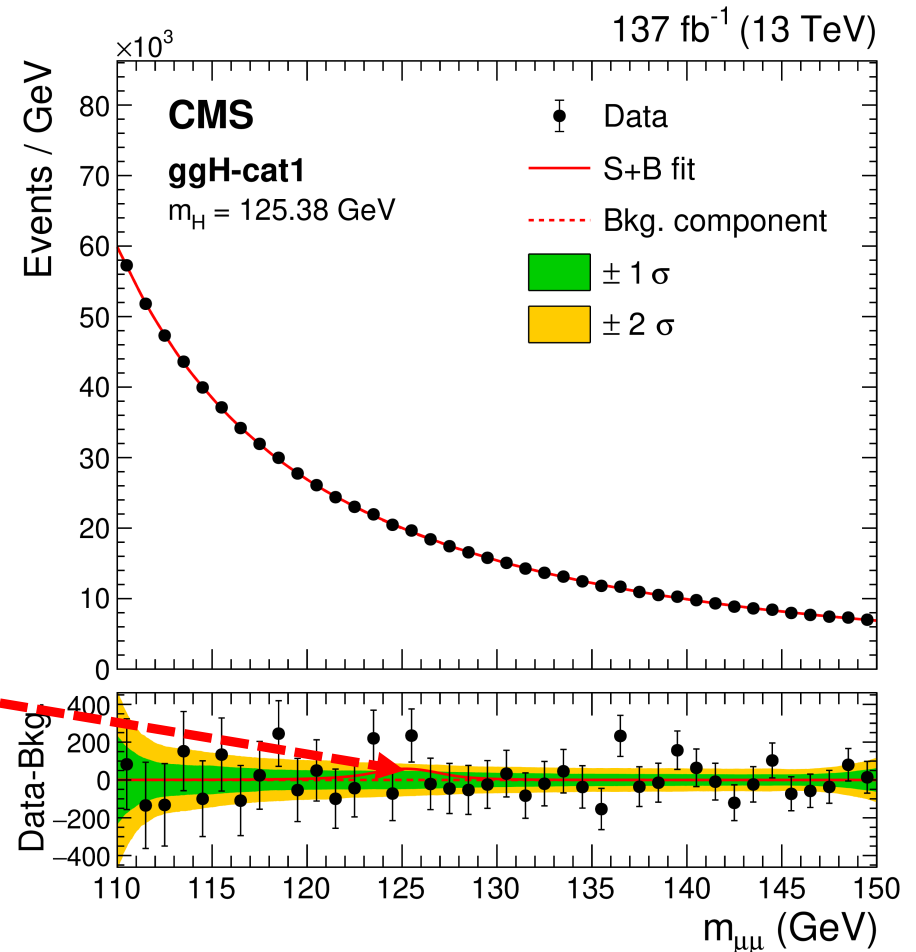
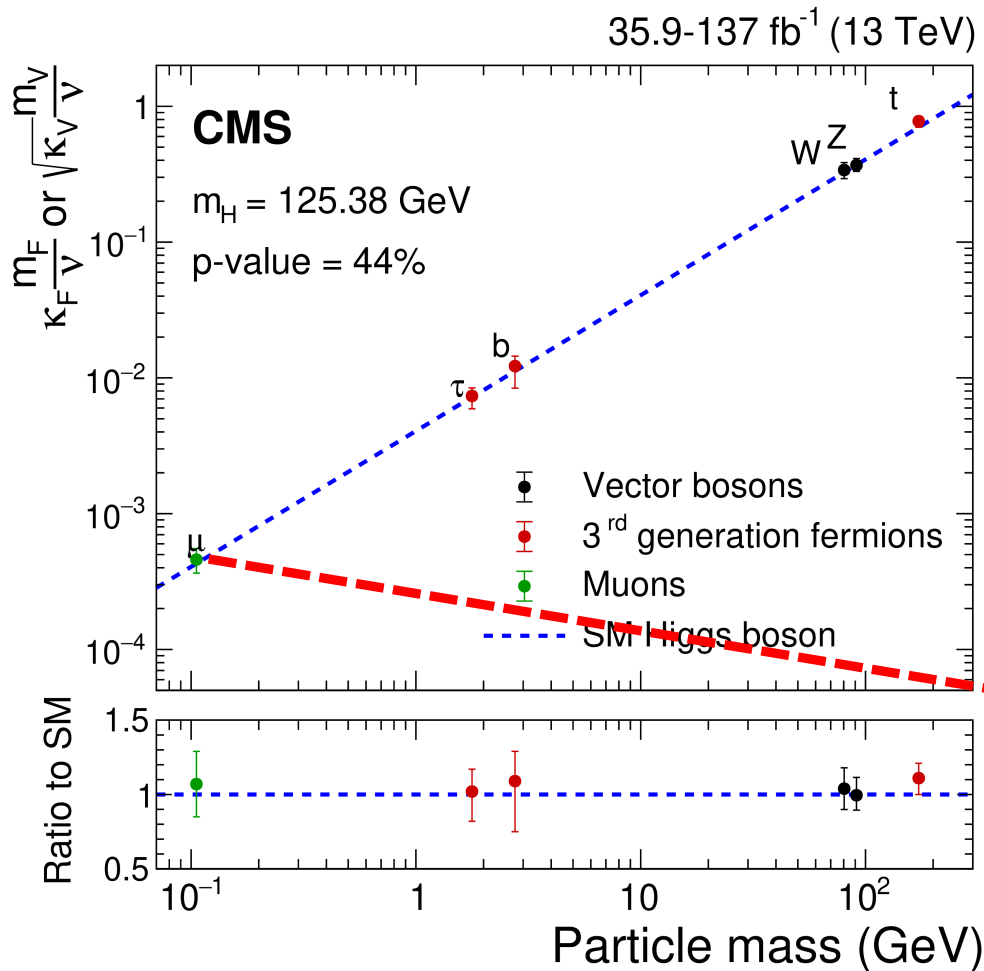


# Run-2 achievements → Run-3 prospects

## Probing interactions between Higgs and 2<sup>nd</sup> generation: Muons

[PAS-HIG-19-006](#)

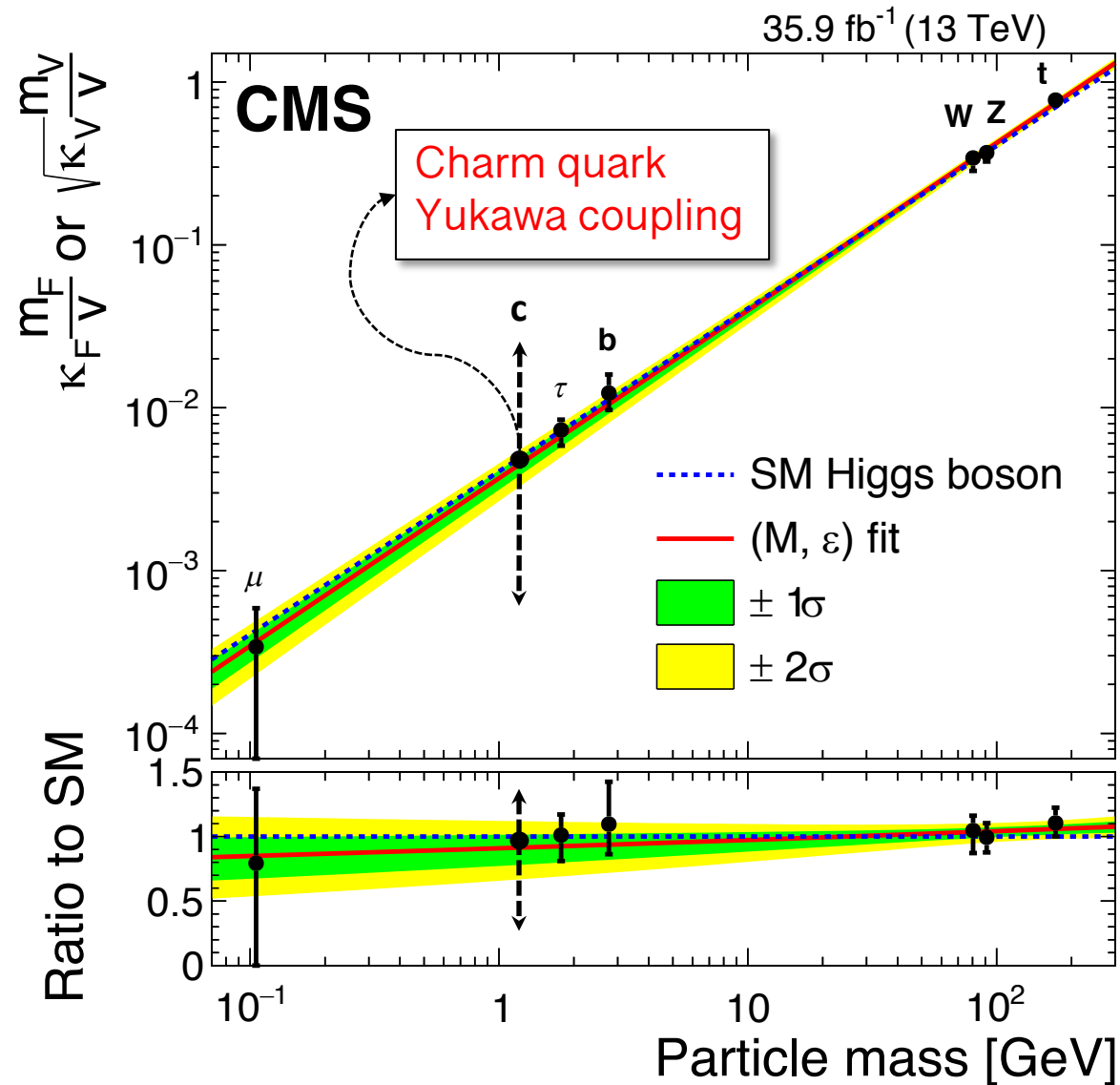
Evidence for H- $\mu$  coupling (significance of  $3\sigma$ )  
 → Observation in Run-3?





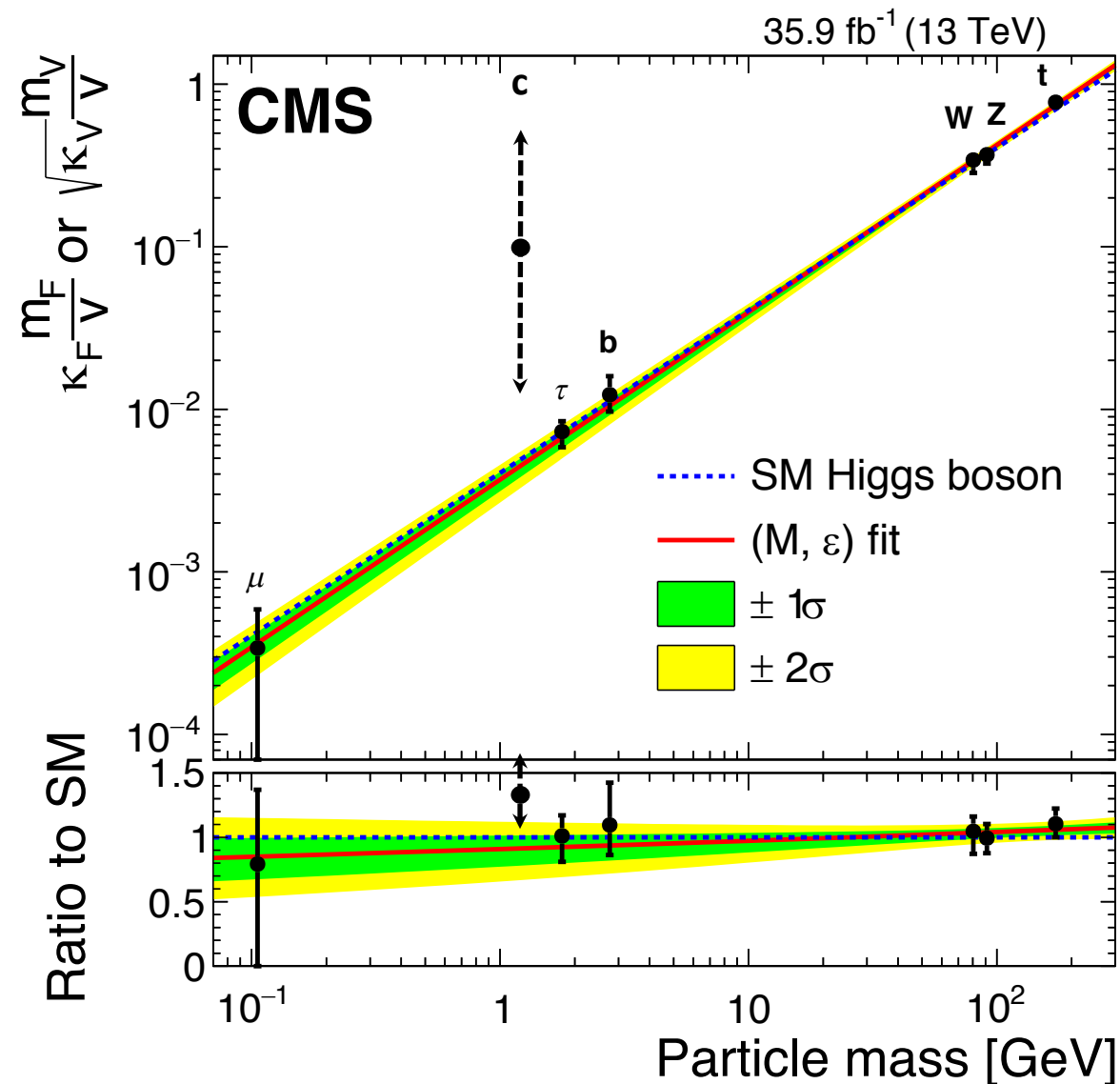
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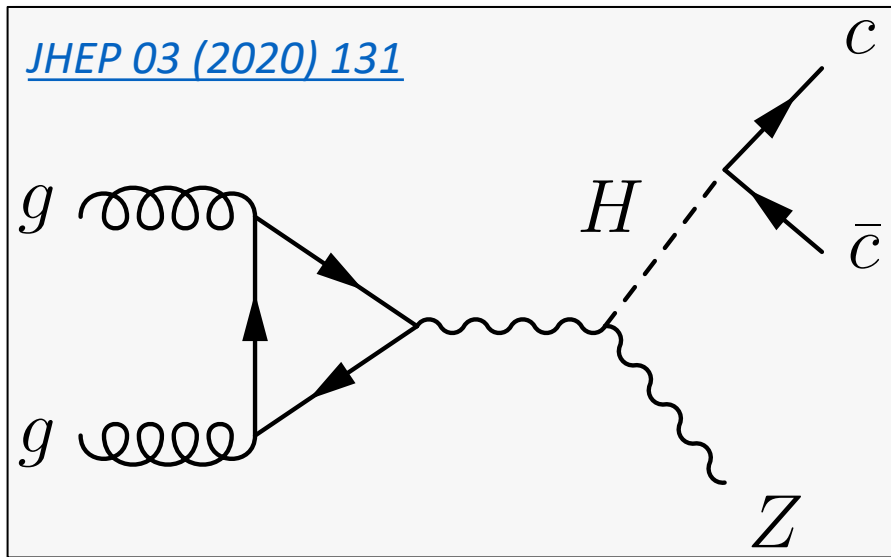


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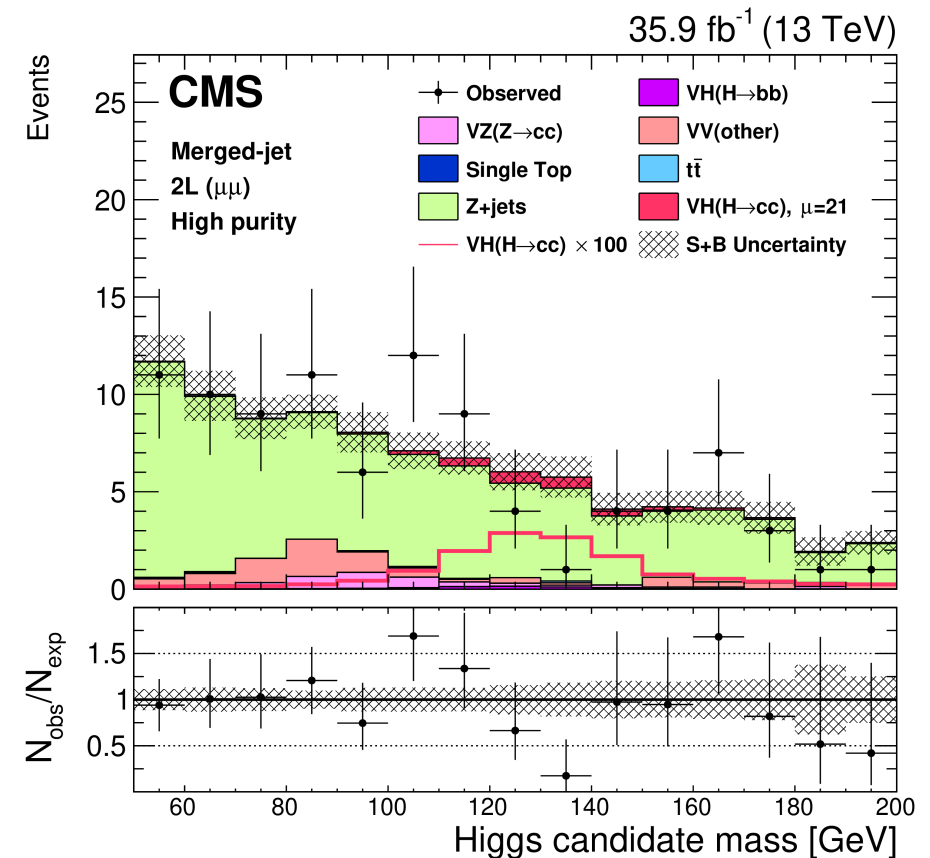
Beyond  
Standard  
Model ?



How? Through decay of  $H \rightarrow c\bar{c}$  (Run-2 result)



$$\mu = \frac{\sigma(pp \rightarrow ZH) \times \text{BR}(H \rightarrow c\bar{c})}{\sigma_{\text{SM}}(pp \rightarrow ZH) \times \text{BR}_{\text{SM}}(H \rightarrow c\bar{c})} < 70 \quad (95\% \text{ CL})$$

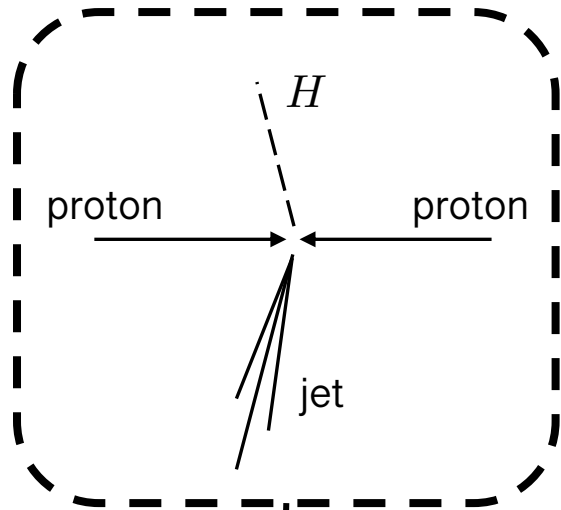


This analysis relies a lot on **charm-tagging!**  
 → relies on techniques developed at IHE

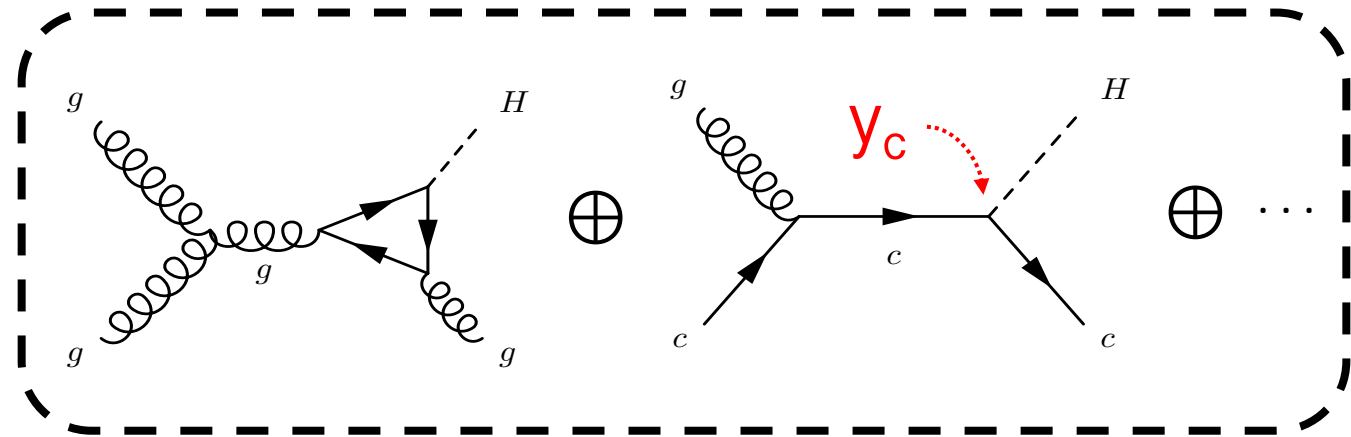
# Run-3 objectives

## How? Through H+jet production

In the detector

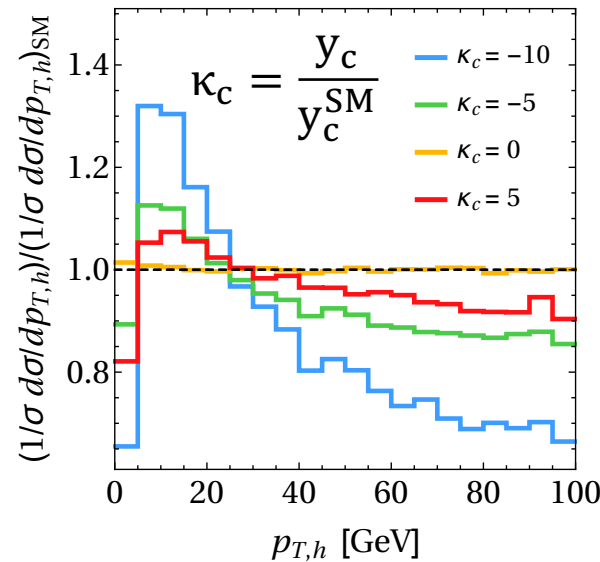


In the theory



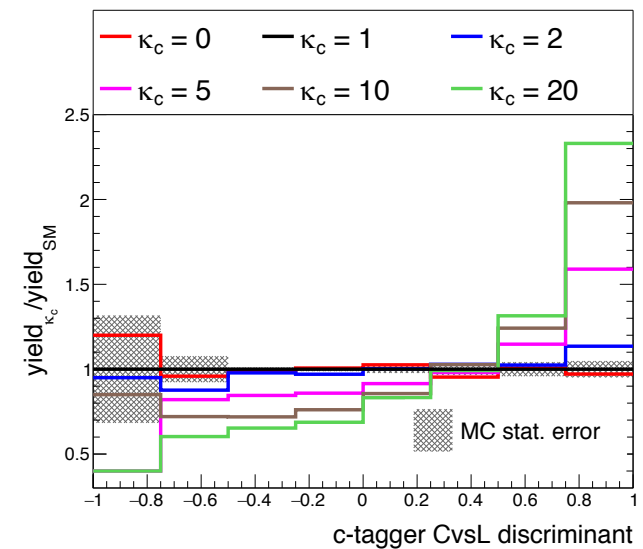
Sensitive properties:

Higgs kinematics



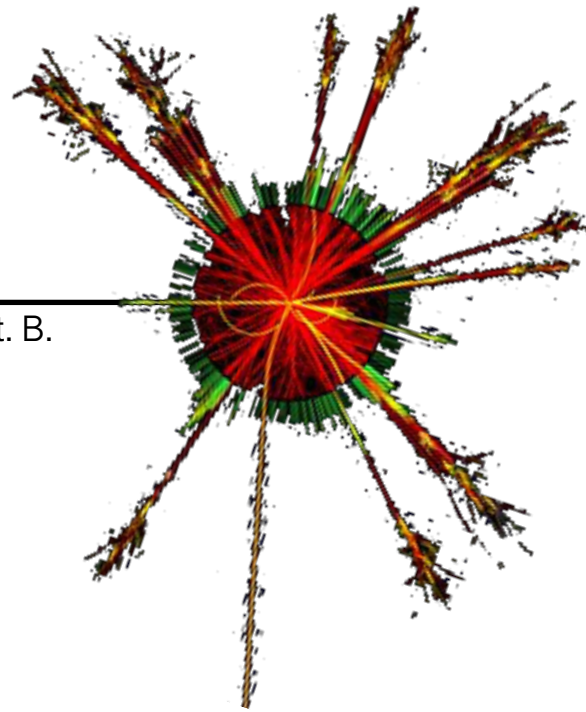
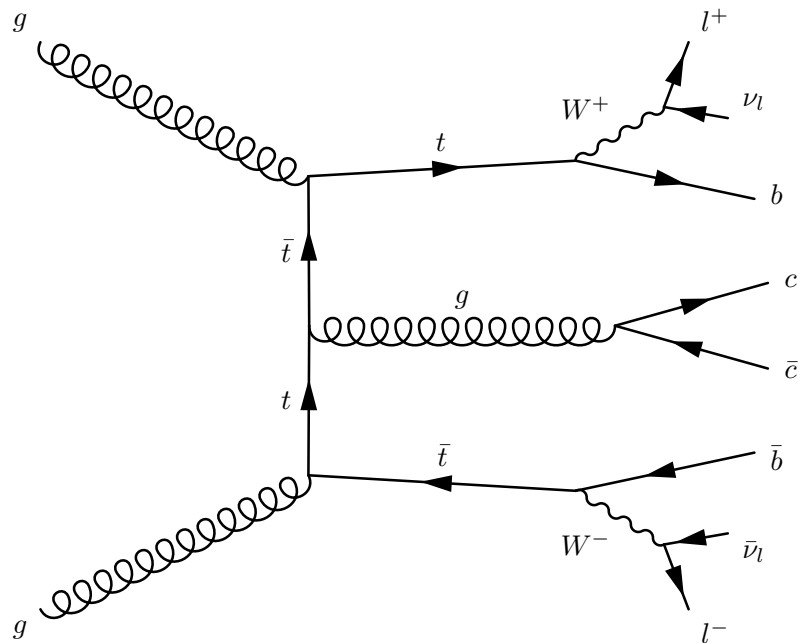
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Jet flavour  $\rightarrow$  c-tagging



# $t\bar{t}$ + charm jets!

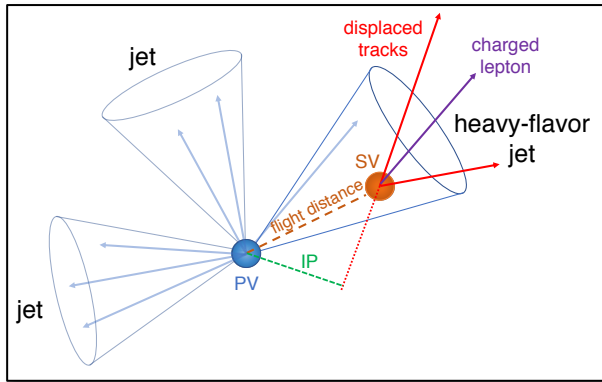
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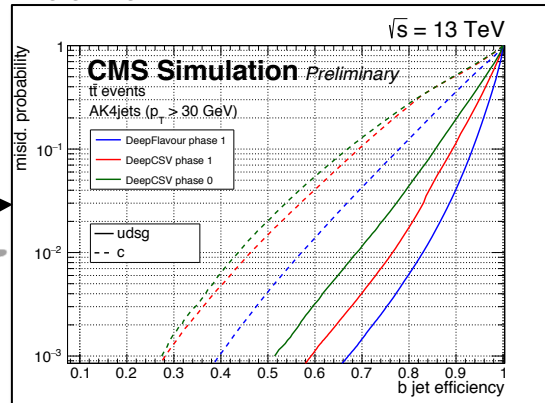
# Measurement of $t\bar{t}+c\bar{c}$ production

## A roadmap towards a successful measurement

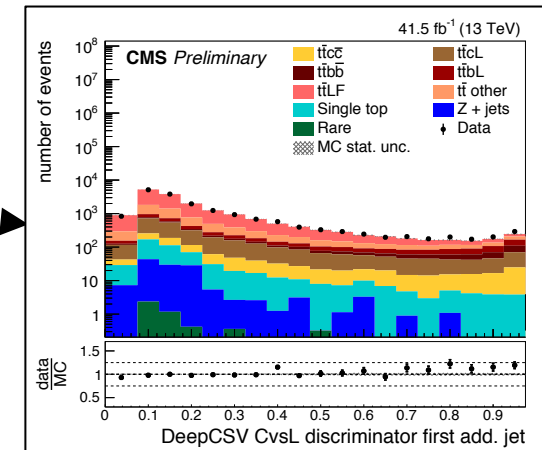
① c, b and t quarks require jets and heavy flavor tagging (new **c-tagger**)



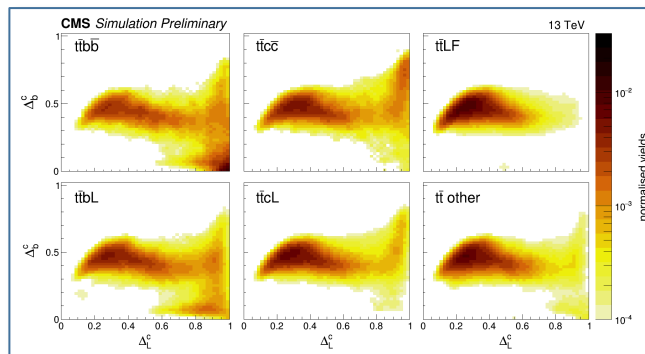
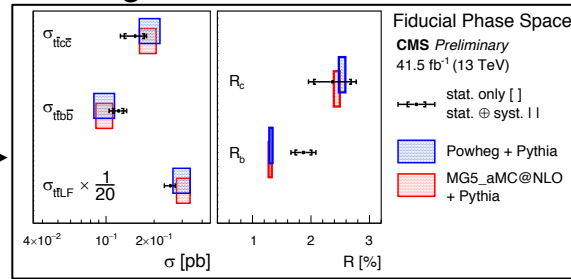
② Improved ML techniques for HF tagging (**DeepCSV/DeepJet**)



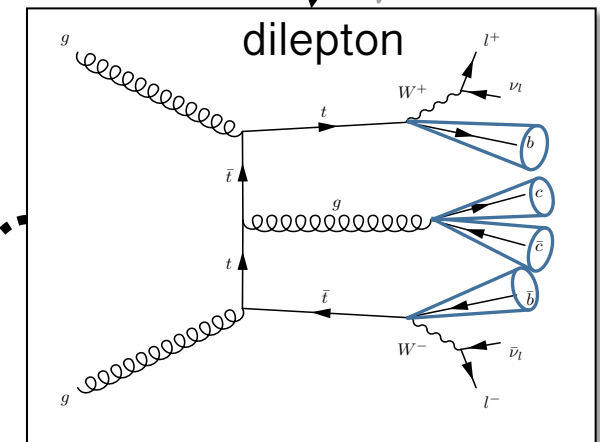
③ Calibration performance (charm tagger shape)



⑥ Resulting cross section measurement



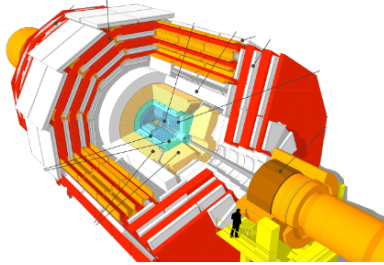
⑤ Differentiating  $t\bar{t}+HF$  categories (ML classifier)



④ Selection and reconstruction of the  $t\bar{t}+HF$  topology (jet-parton match)

### Fiducial phase space

*“what the detector can see”*



- $pp \rightarrow t\bar{t}jj \rightarrow \ell^+ \bar{\nu}_\ell b \ell^- \nu_\ell \bar{b} jj$  (dilepton)
- Two generated leptons with  $p_T > 25$  GeV and  $|\eta| < 2.4$  (electron/muon/tau)
- Two particle-level b jets from top quark decay with  $p_T > 20$  GeV and  $|\eta| < 2.4$
- At least two additional particle-level jets (not from top quark decay) with  $p_T > 20$  GeV and  $|\eta| < 2.4$  and  $\Delta R(l, \text{jet}) > 0.4$

### Full phase space

*“what a theorist can see”*



- $pp \rightarrow t\bar{t}jj \rightarrow W^+ b W^- \bar{b} jj$
- dilepton / single lepton / all-hadronic
- At least two additional particle-level jets (not from top quark decay) with  $p_T > 20$  GeV and  $|\eta| < 2.4$  and  $\Delta R(l, \text{jet}) > 0.4$

### Categorization based on flavor of additional jets

- $t\bar{t}b\bar{b}$ :  $\geq 2$  add. b jets with at least one b hadron
- $t\bar{t}bL$ : 1 add. b jet with at least one b hadron (merged or missing jet)
- $t\bar{t}c\bar{c}$ :  $\geq 2$  add. c jets with at least one c hadron (if not  $t\bar{t}b\bar{b}/t\bar{t}bL$ )
- $t\bar{t}cL$ : 1 add. c jet with at least one c hadron (if not  $t\bar{t}b\bar{b}/L$ , merge/missing jet)
- $t\bar{t}LL$ : no add. b or c jets, but 2 add. light jets pass acceptance requirements.
- $t\bar{t}$  other: failing visible/full phase space requirements

## Dileptonic top quark pair events + 2 additional jets: **low backgrounds**

### Global

- ==2 isolated leptons (e/μ)
- >= 4 jets
- >= 2 b-tagged jets

### Jets

- $p_T > 30$  GeV
- $|\eta| < 2.5$
- $\Delta R(\text{lepton}, \text{jet}) > 0.5$
- DeepCSV value > 0

### b-jets/c-jets

- 2 top-matched jets: Medium
- DeepCSV b-tagged

### Electrons

- $p_T > 25$  GeV
- $|\eta| < 2.4$
- $|\eta| \notin [1.4442 - 1.566]$   
("transition region")
- Rel. Iso < 0.15

### Muons

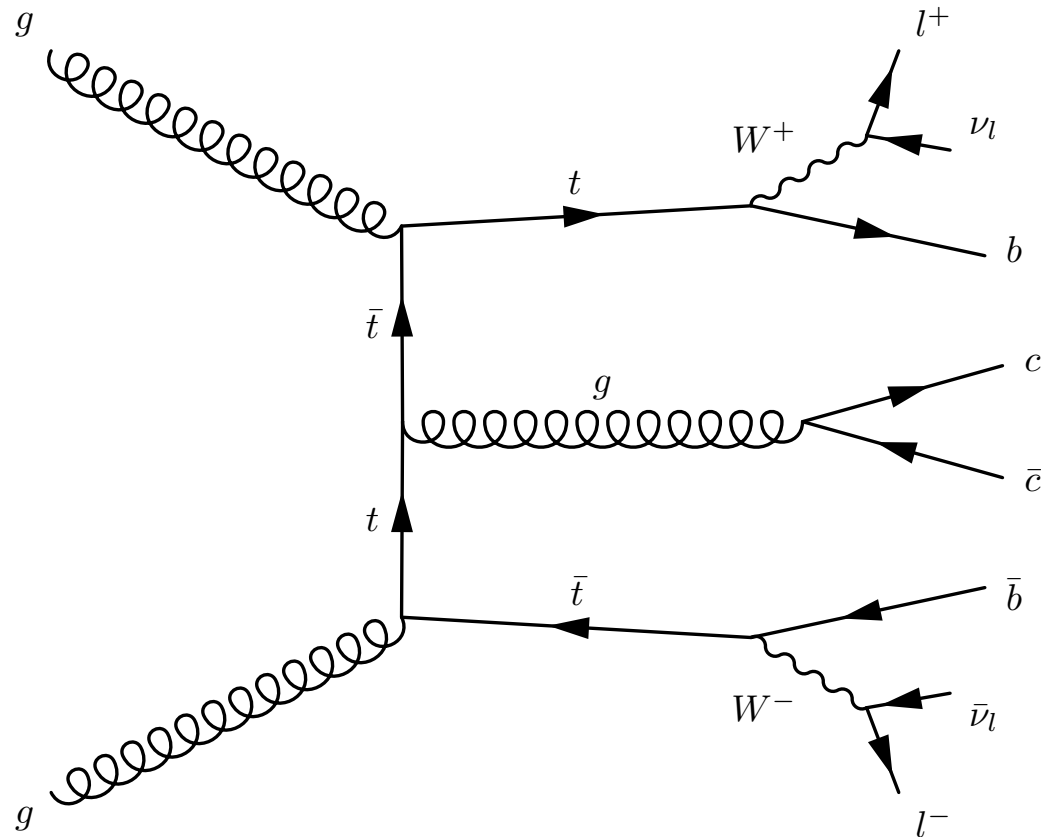
- $p_T > 25$  GeV
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### Dilepton invariant mass

- $m_{ll} > 12$  GeV
- $\mu\mu/ee: m_{ll} \notin [m_Z - 15 \text{ GeV}, m_Z + 15 \text{ GeV}]$

### MET

- $\mu\mu/ee: \text{MET} > 30$  GeV

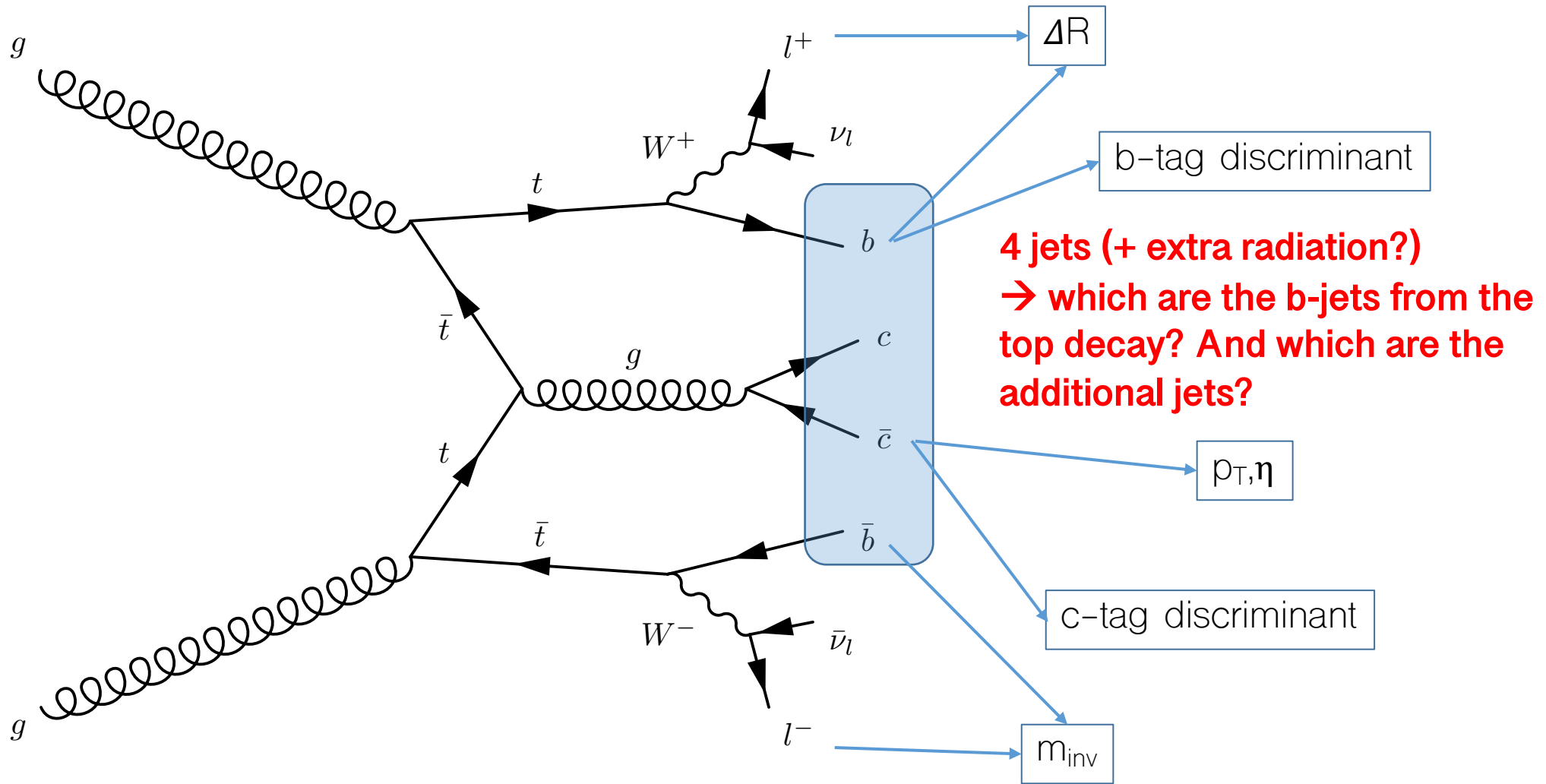


**Results in >95%  $t\bar{t}+2$  jet events**



# Jet-parton matching

Event kinematics + jet flavour as input to a neural network (NN)



→ Combine in a NN and pick the best jet-parton assignment

[JINST 13 \(2018\) P05011](#)

The **DeepCSV heavy-flavour tagging algorithm** is a multi-class algorithm that predicts probabilities (P) for jets to originate from a b, c or light-flavour (udsg) quark (or gluon).

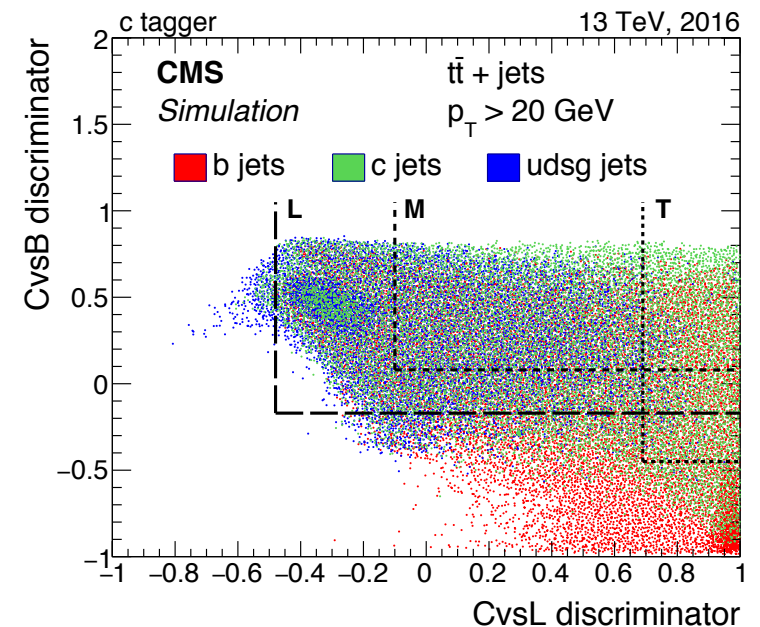
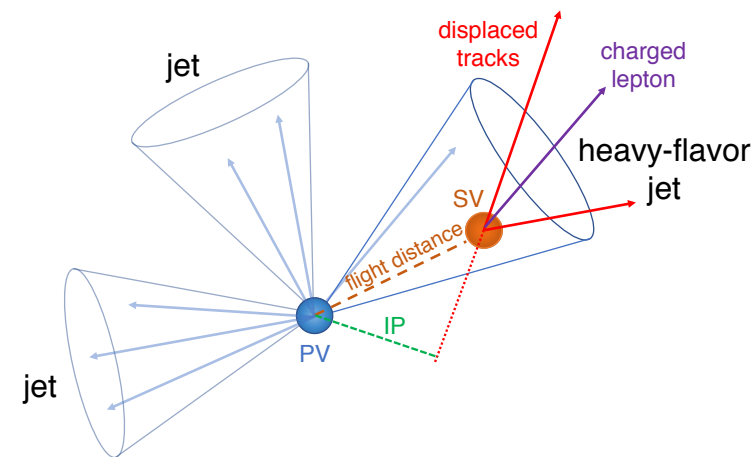
This discrimination is based on properties such as track displacement, secondary vertex mass/flight distance, ...

Properties from c jets are distributed midway between those of b or light-flavour jets → **two c-tagging discriminants!**

$$P(C_{vsL}) = \frac{P(c)}{P(c) + P(udsg)}, \quad P(C_{vsB}) = \frac{P(c)}{P(c) + P(b) + P(bb)}$$

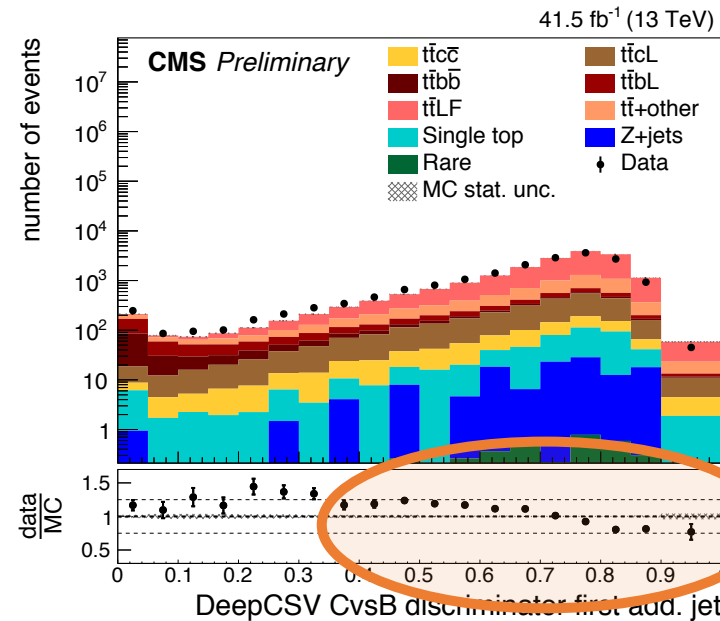
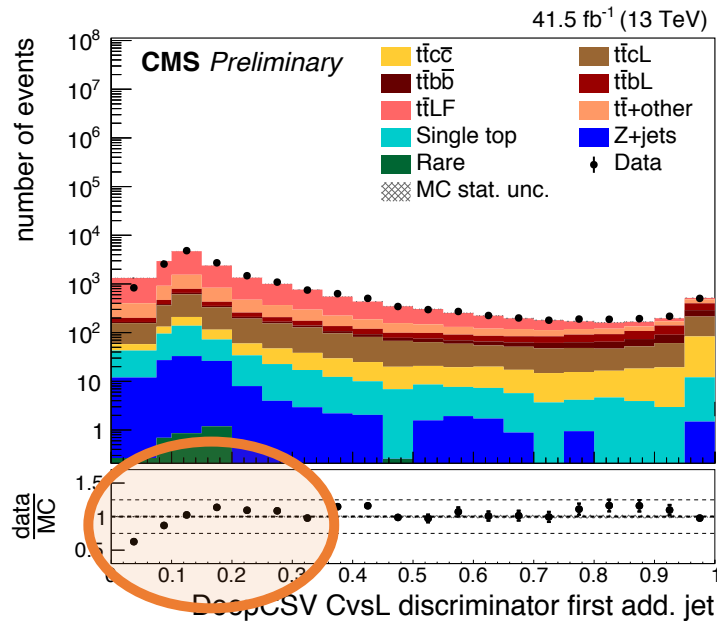
To use these discriminants in a neural network, the 2-dim **shape in simulations needs to be calibrated to the data!**

**Novel shape calibration of the two-dimensional CvsL and CvsB DeepCSV c-tagger discriminators**

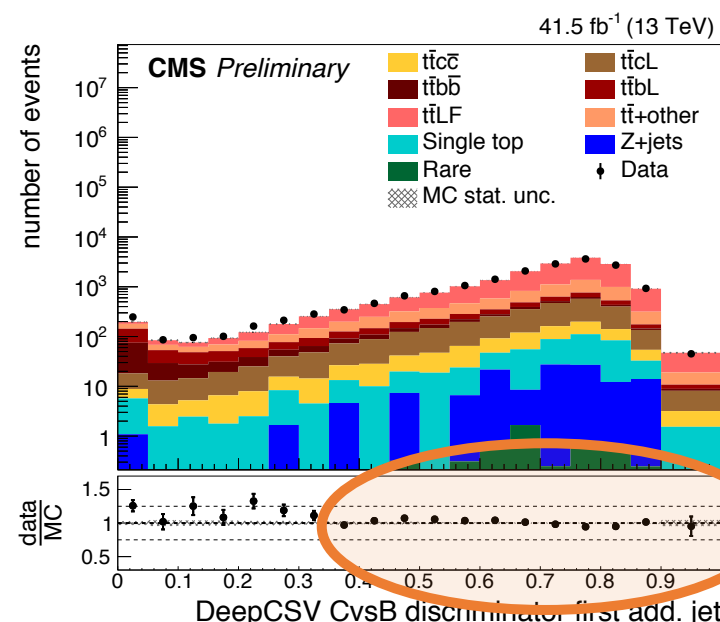
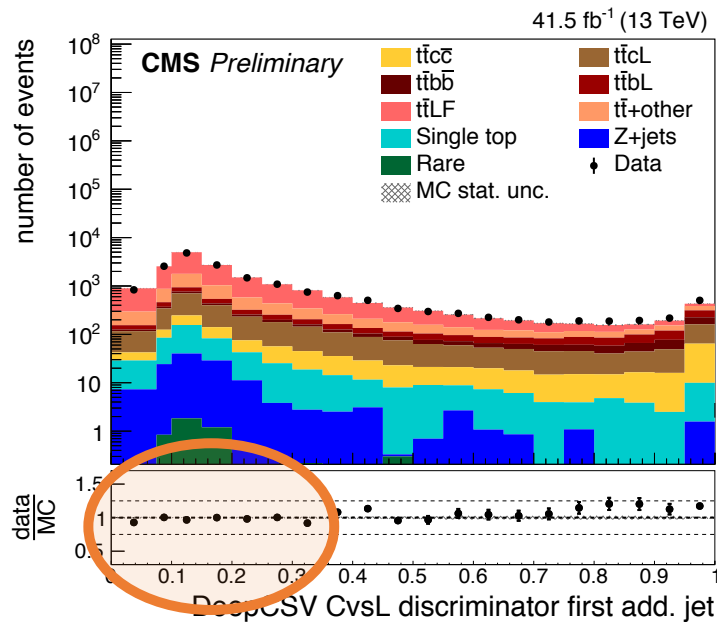


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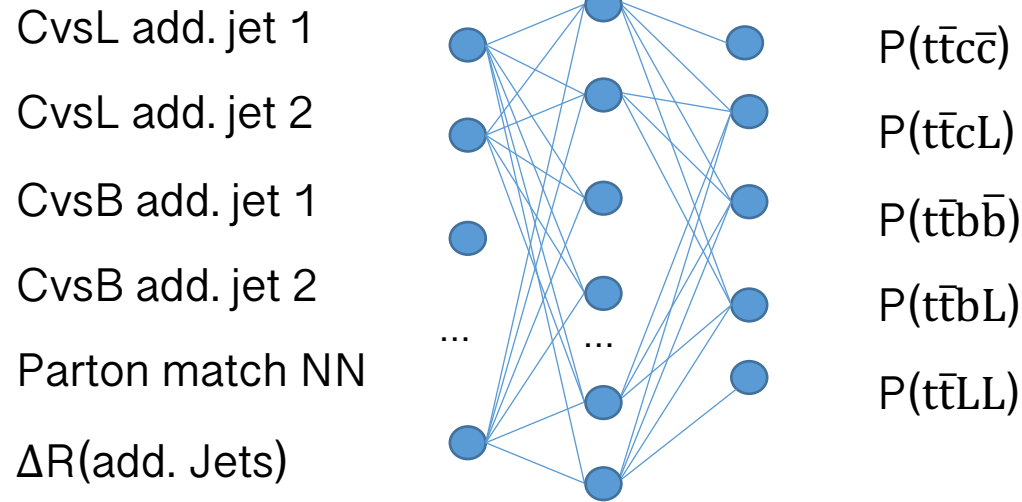
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# Template fit using NN discriminator

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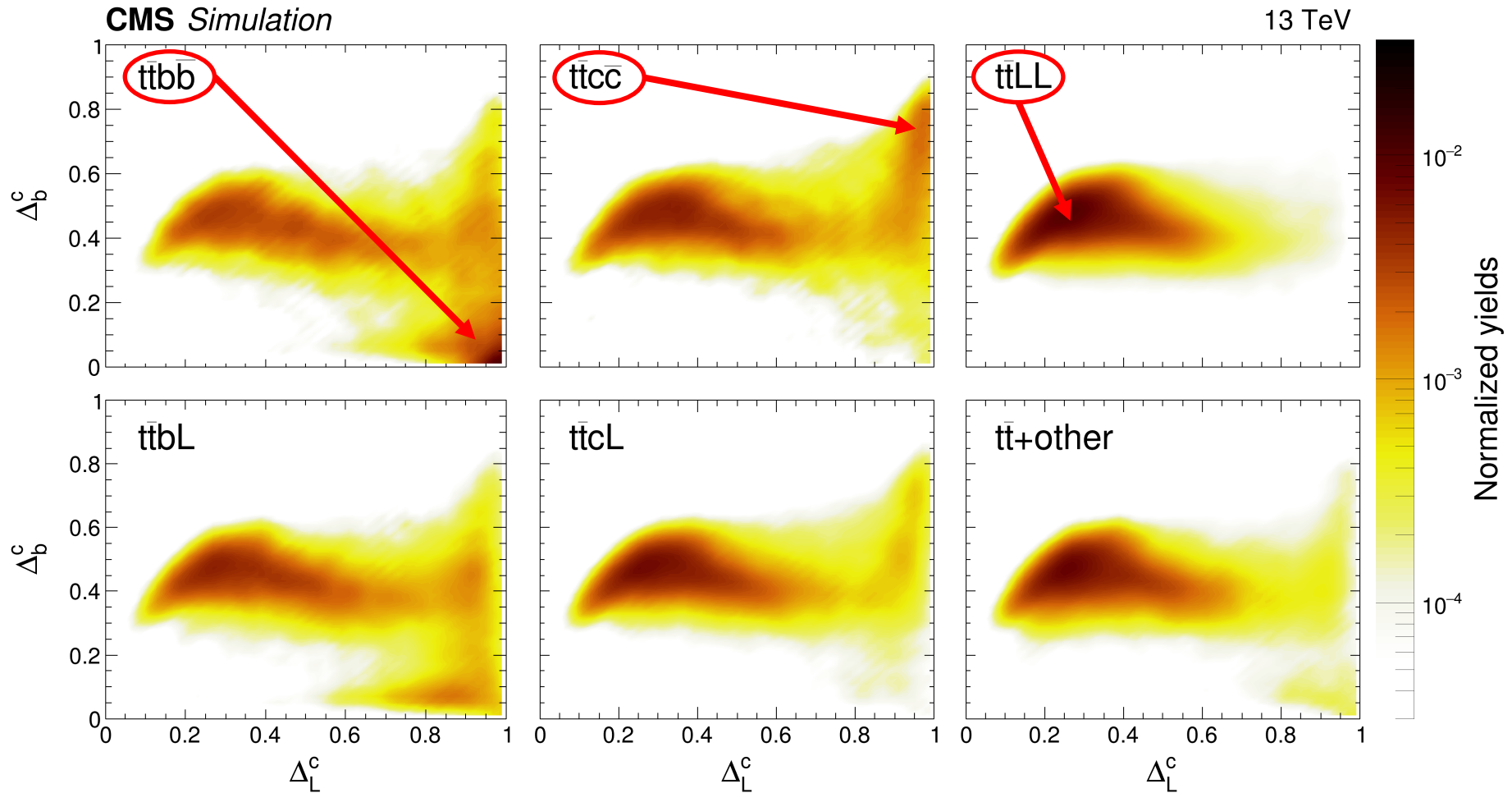
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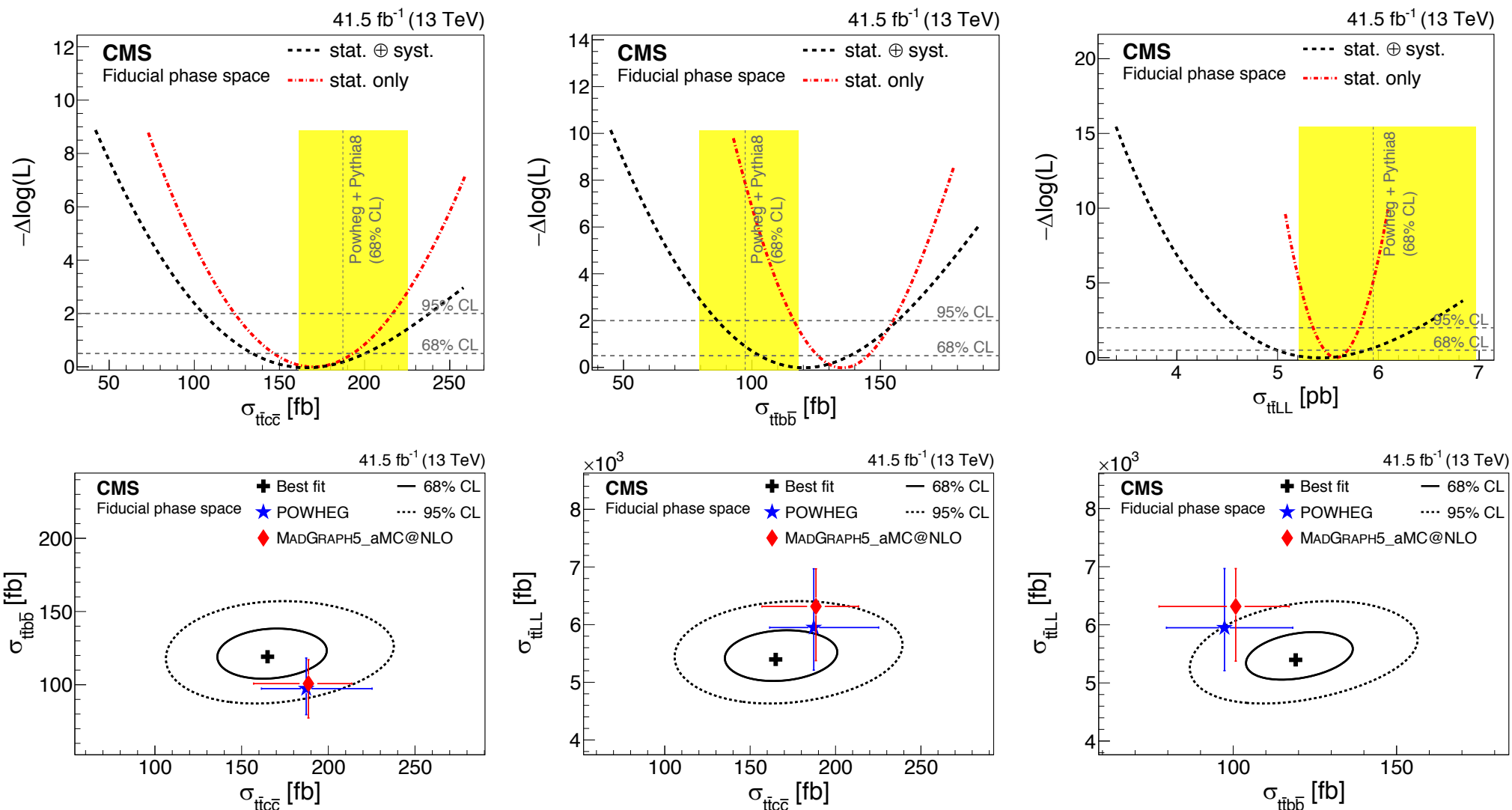
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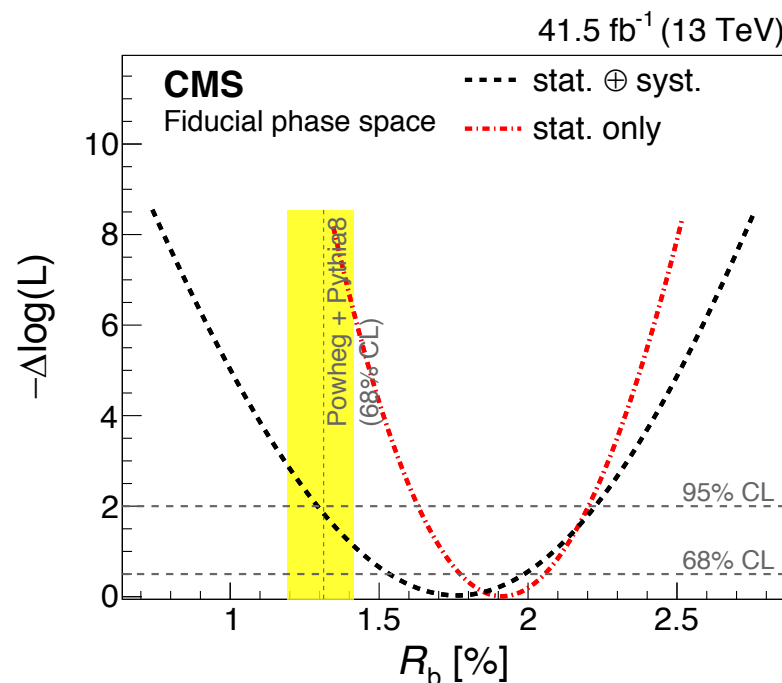
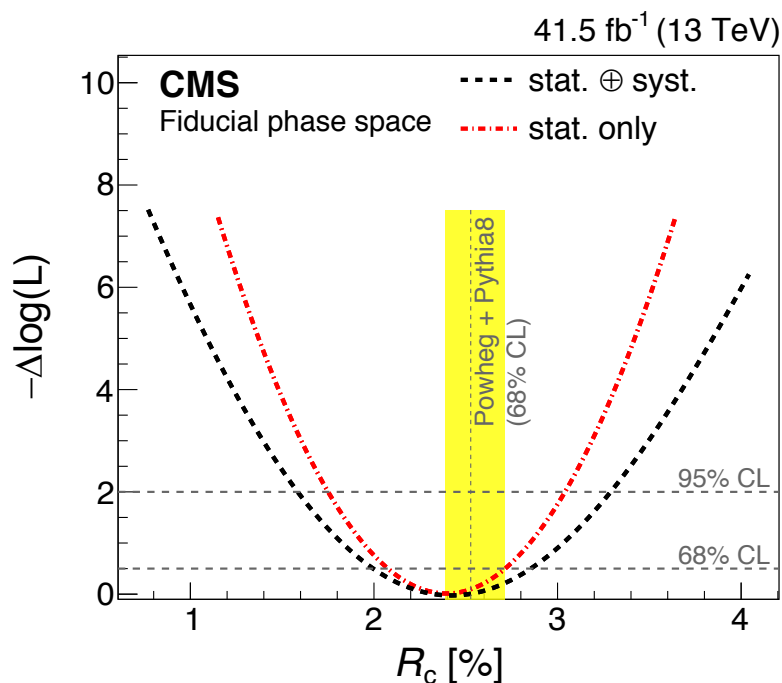
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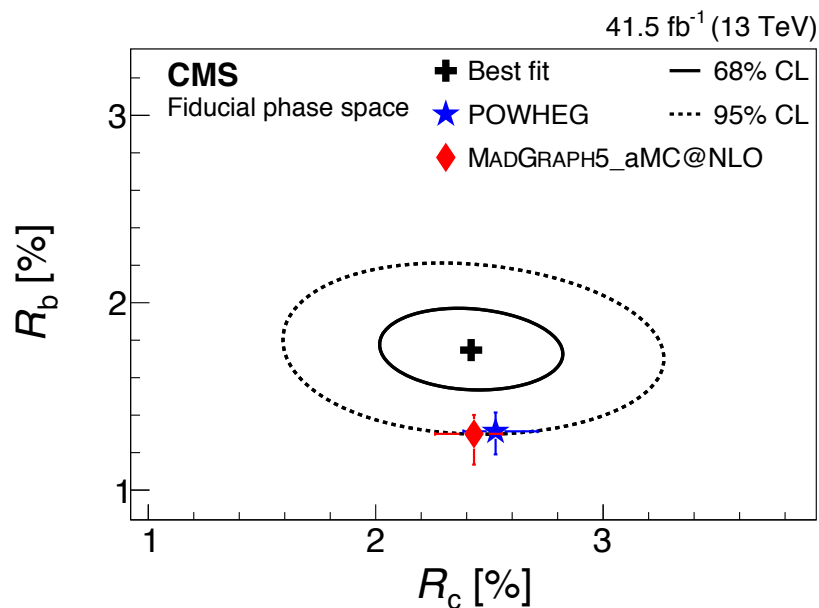


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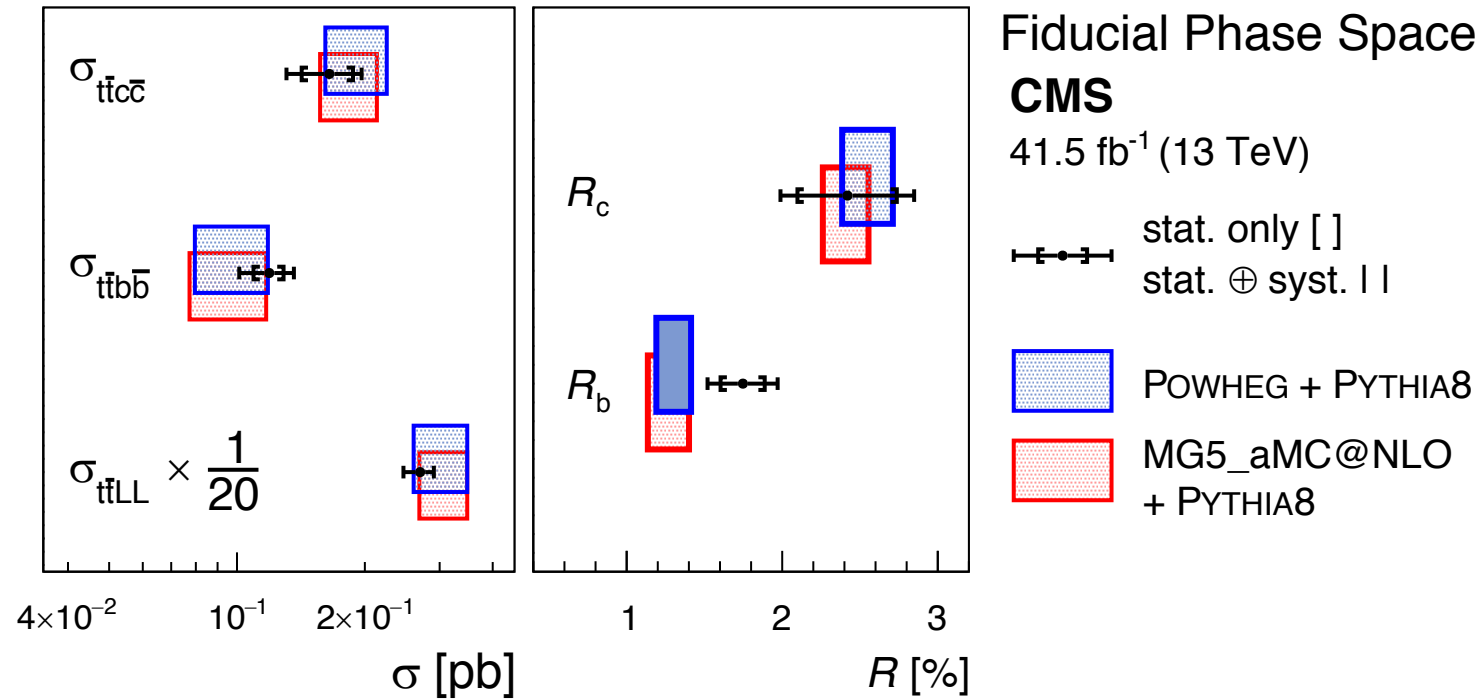
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# The CMS dilepton $t\bar{t}c\bar{c}$ measurement

## Summary of the results



..... First measurement of the  $t\bar{t} + c\bar{c}$  cross section! .....

**Fiducial PS:**

$$\sigma(t\bar{t}c\bar{c}) = 165 \pm 23 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 25 \text{ (syst.) fb } (\sim 20\% \text{ uncertainty})$$

$$R_c = 2.42 \pm 0.32 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 0.29 \text{ (syst.) \% } (\sim 18\% \text{ uncertainty})$$

**Full PS:**

$$\sigma(t\bar{t}c\bar{c}) = 8.0 \pm 1.1 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 1.3 \text{ (syst.) pb}$$

$$R_c = 2.69 \pm 0.36 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 0.32 \text{ (syst.) \%}$$



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Consistently, the  $t\bar{t}b\bar{b}$  cross section is under-estimated in simulations

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*Preliminary*

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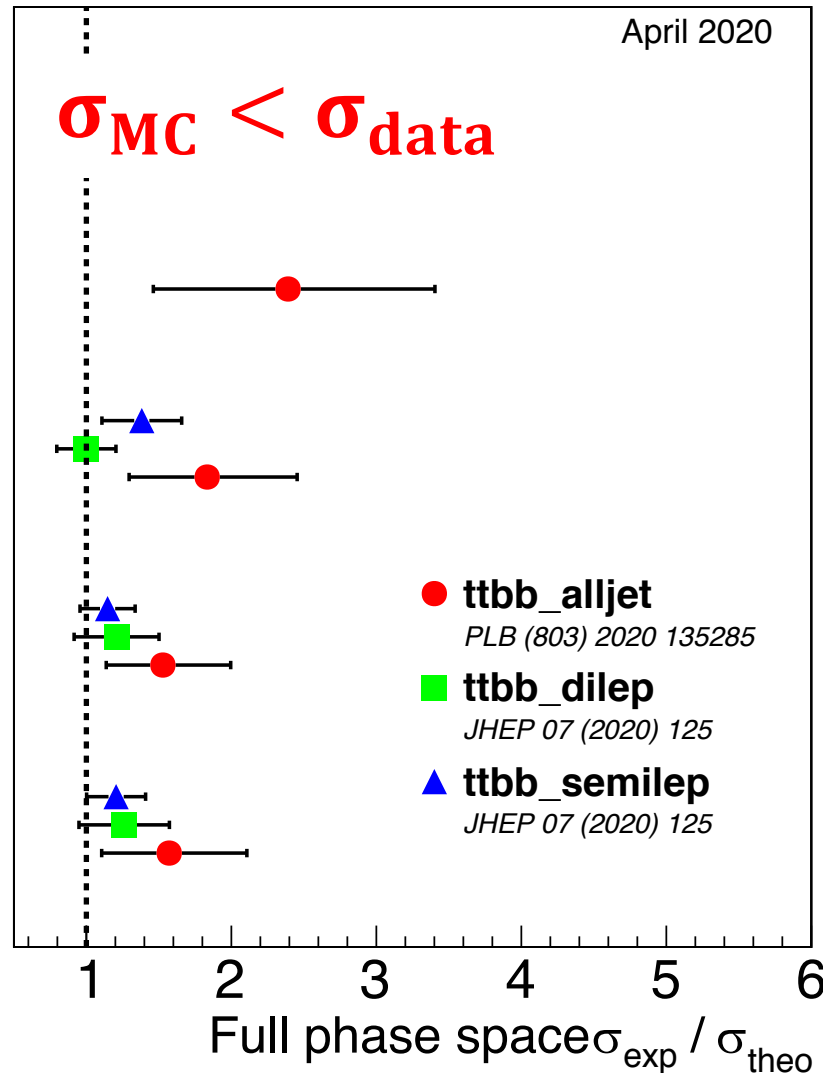
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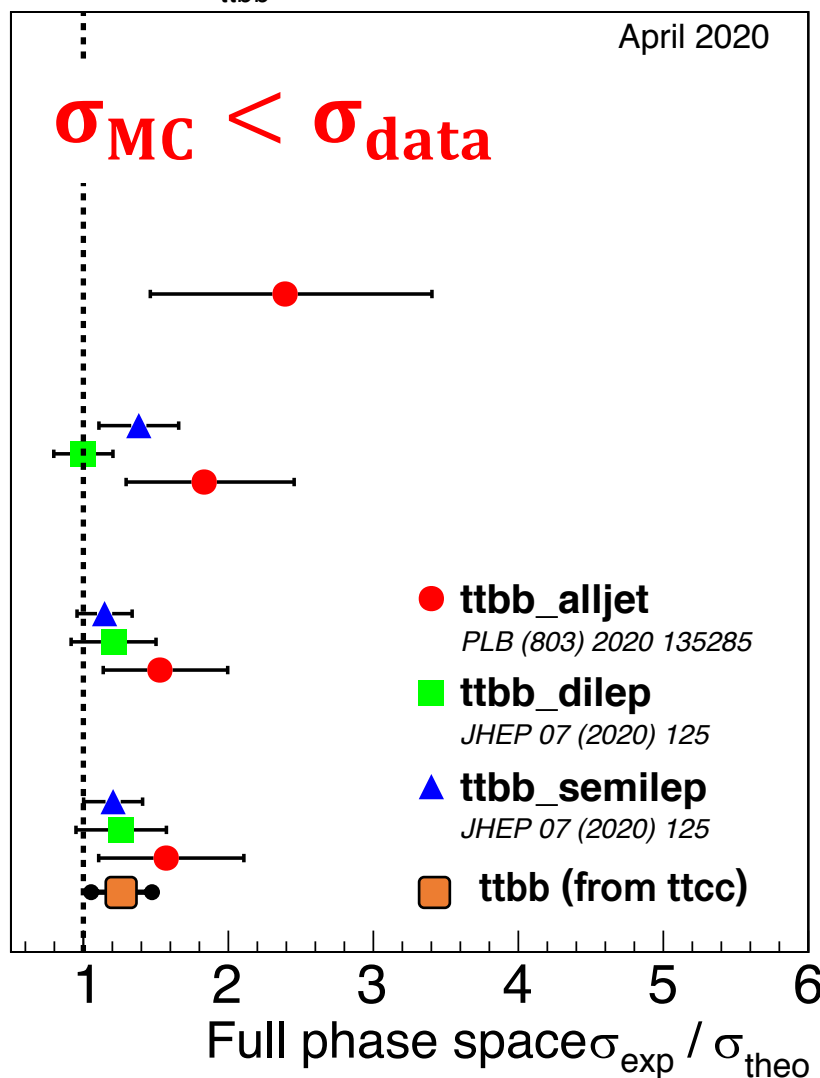
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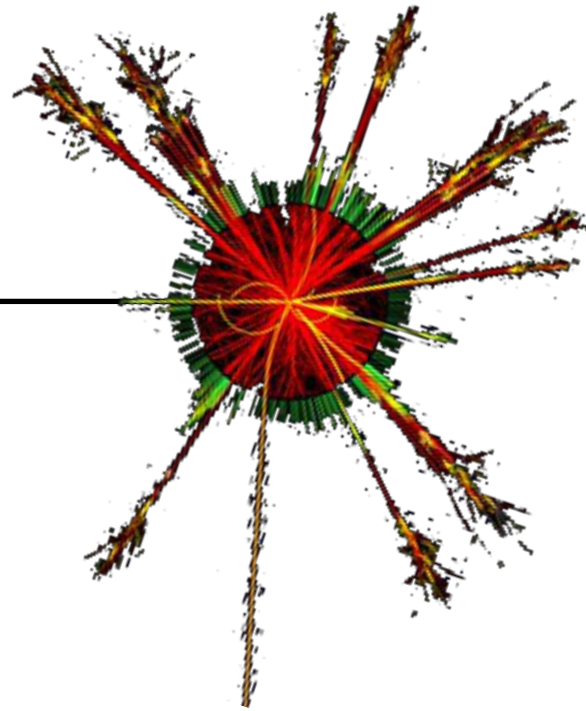
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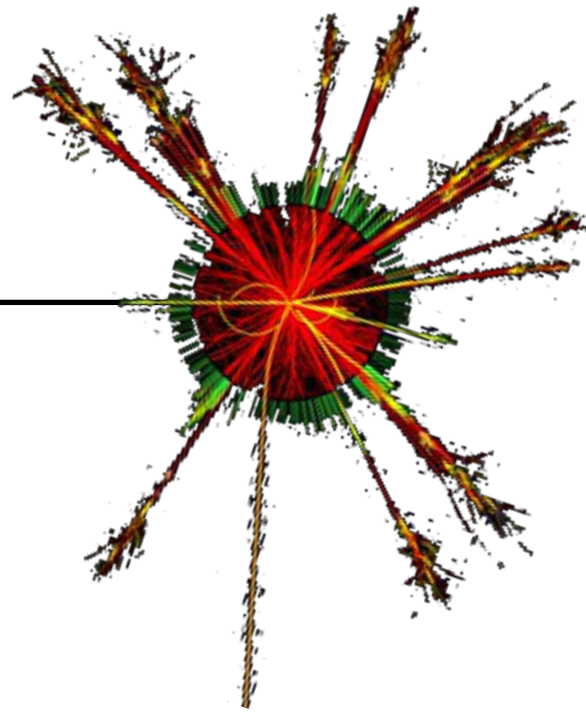
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With state-of-the art HF-taggers  
we can explore the charm quark!

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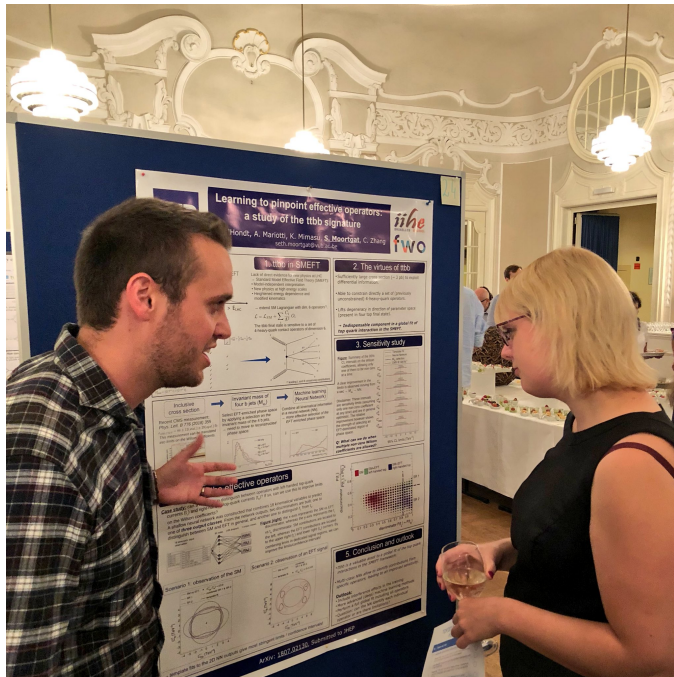
# Backup

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# The CMS dilepton $t\bar{t}c\bar{c}$ measurement

## Inspiration/Motivation



## Throwback: TOP2018 - Bad Neuenahr

Poster session:

[t \$\bar{t}b\bar{b}\$  in the SMEFT using ML](#)

Plenaries:

[Theory progress on  \$t\bar{t}H\(b\bar{b}\)\$  backgrounds](#)  
(S. Pozzorini)

[t \$\bar{t}b\bar{b}\$  @ CMS and ATLAS](#) (A. Khanov)

Take-home messages (with personal bias):

1. **Theoretical modelling** of  $t\bar{t}$ +heavy-flavour (HF) jets is very challenging!
2. You can not simply consider **t $\bar{t}b\bar{b}$**  without considering at the same time **t $\bar{t}c\bar{c}$**  and  $t\bar{t}$  + light-flavour jets (**t $\bar{t}$ LF**).
3. Not only b-tagging, but **c-tagging** is crucial!



### First measurement of the inclusive $t\bar{t}c\bar{c}$ cross section

Simultaneously measure  $\sigma(t\bar{t}c\bar{c})$ ,  $\sigma(t\bar{t}b\bar{b})$ ,  $\sigma(t\bar{t}LF)$

$$\text{and } R_{c/b} = \frac{\sigma(t\bar{t} + c\bar{c}/b\bar{b})}{\sigma(t\bar{t} + jj)}$$

Measurement performed in the **dilepton channel**

Data collected by CMS in 2017, corresponding to **41.5 fb<sup>-1</sup>** of integrated luminosity

Key ingredients:

- Use neural network for **matching jets to partons**.

- Rely on **charm-jet identification** to separate the different signals!

- Calibrate** the c-tagger discriminants (full shape)

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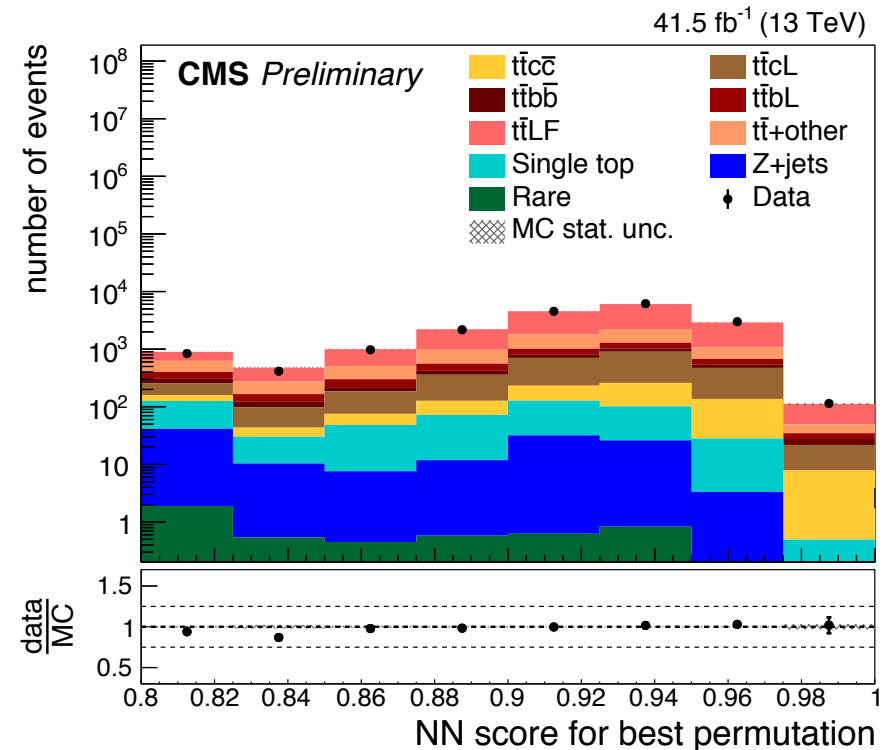
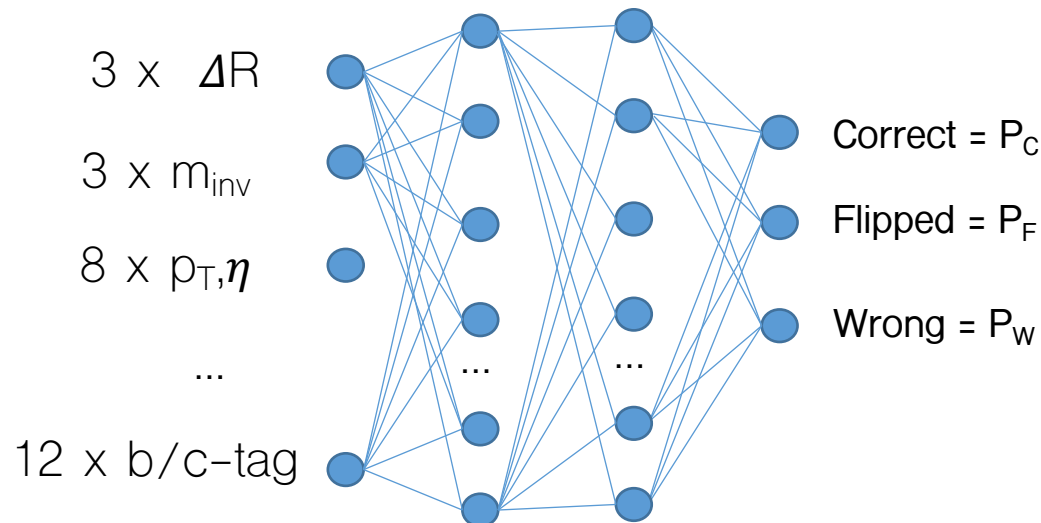
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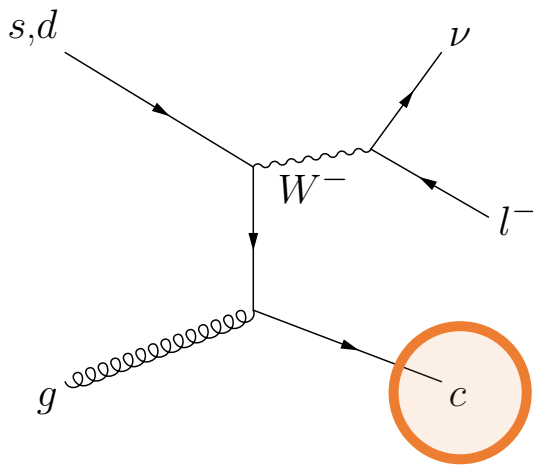


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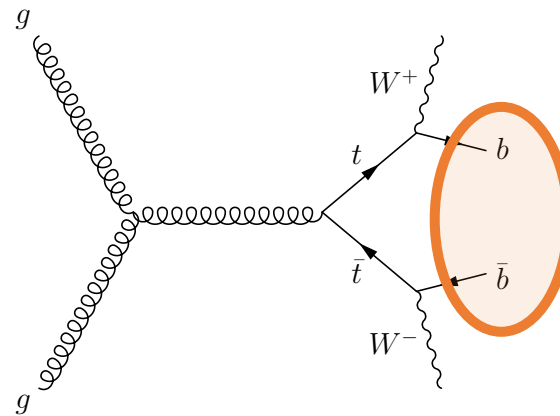


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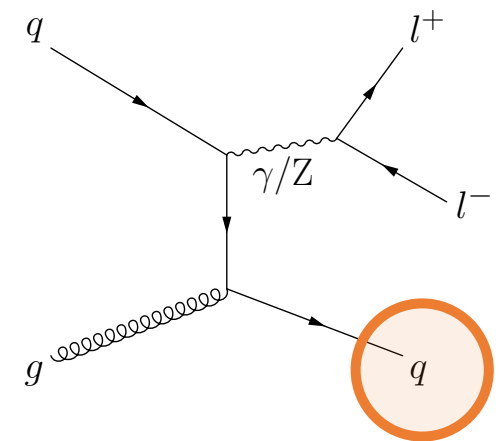
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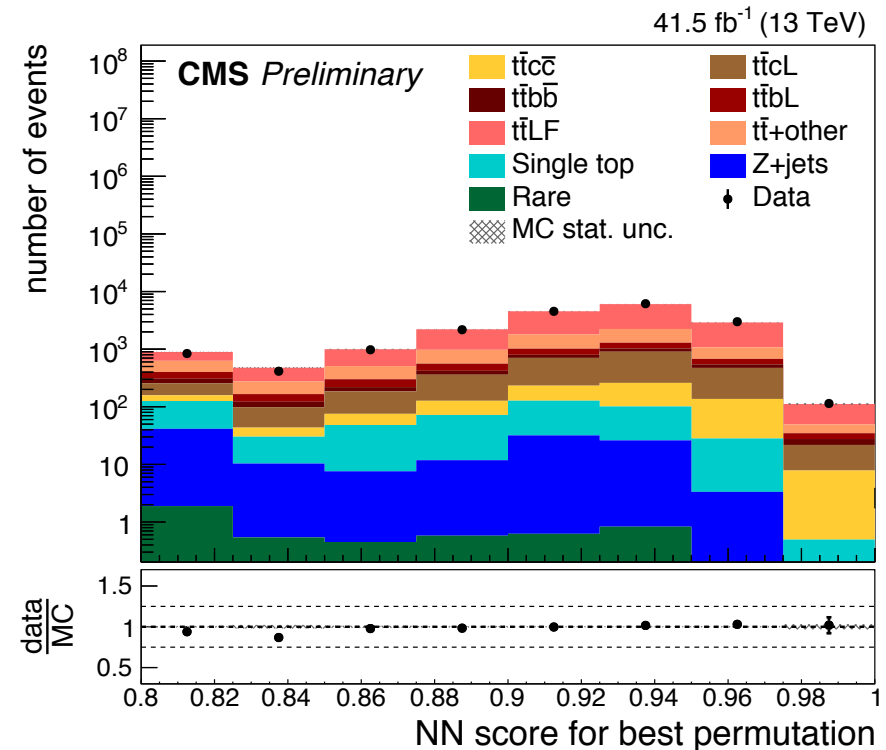
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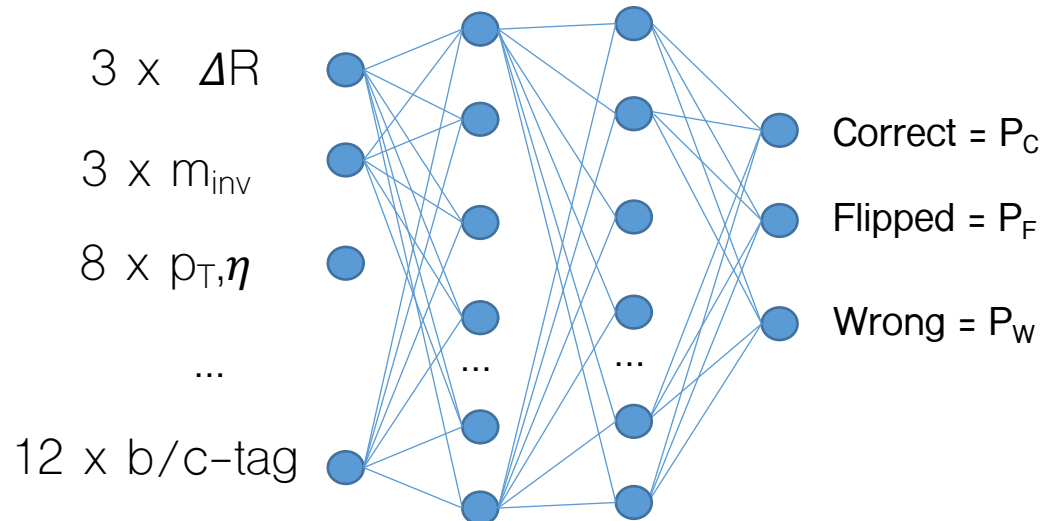
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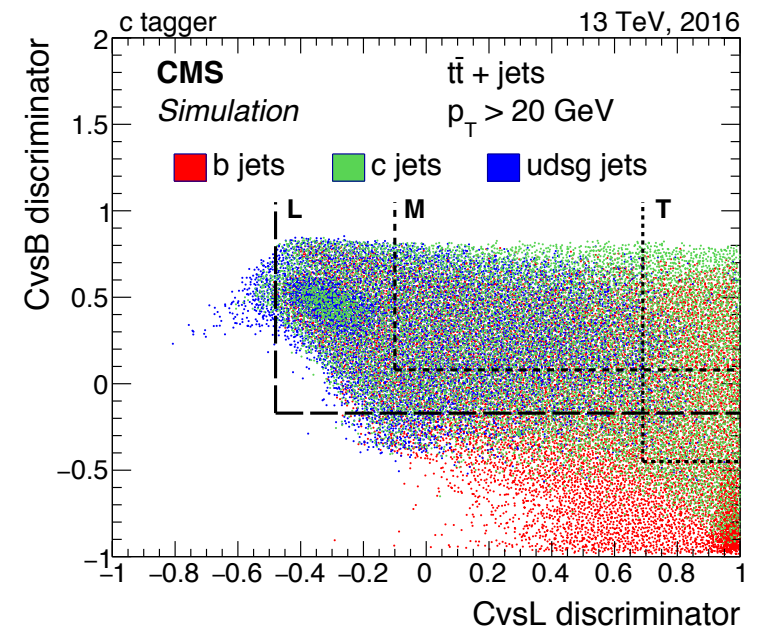
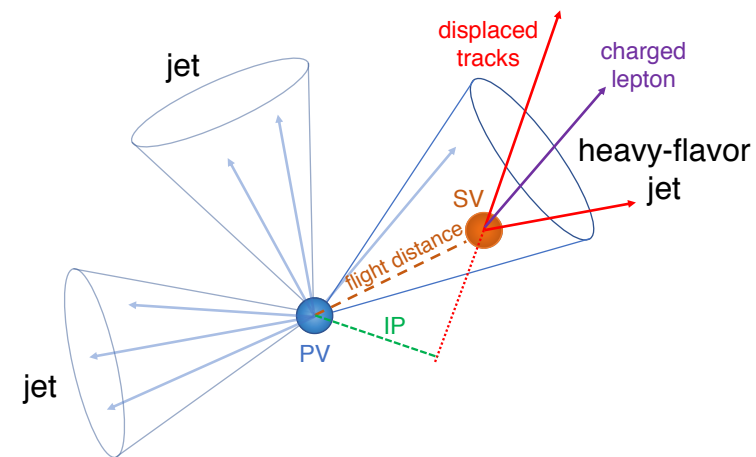
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Properties from c jets are distributed midway between those of b or light-flavour jets → **two c-tagging discriminants!**

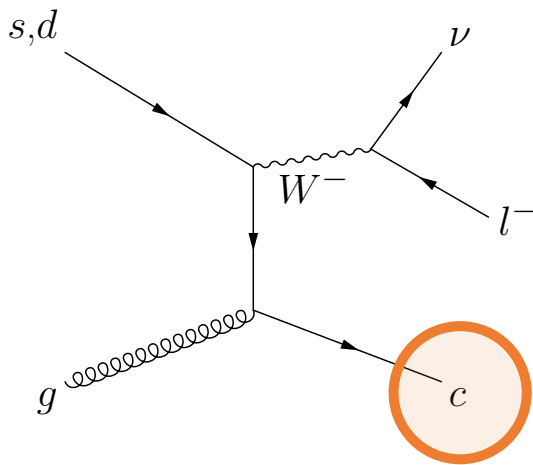
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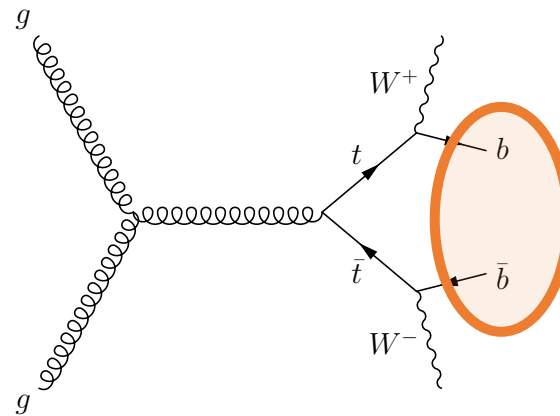


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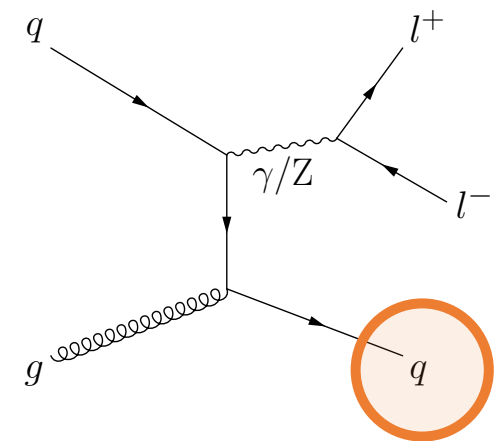
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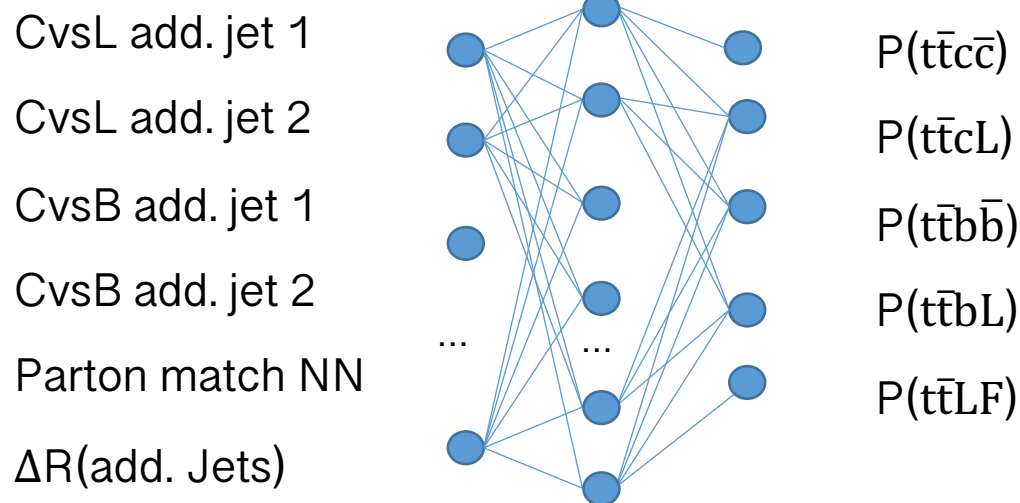
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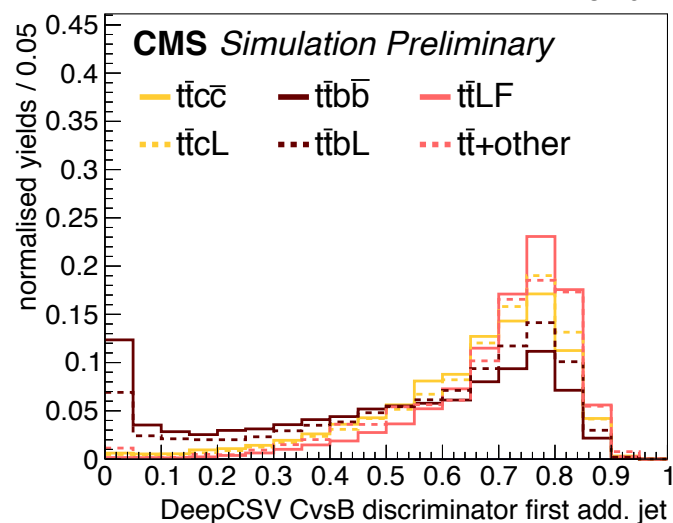
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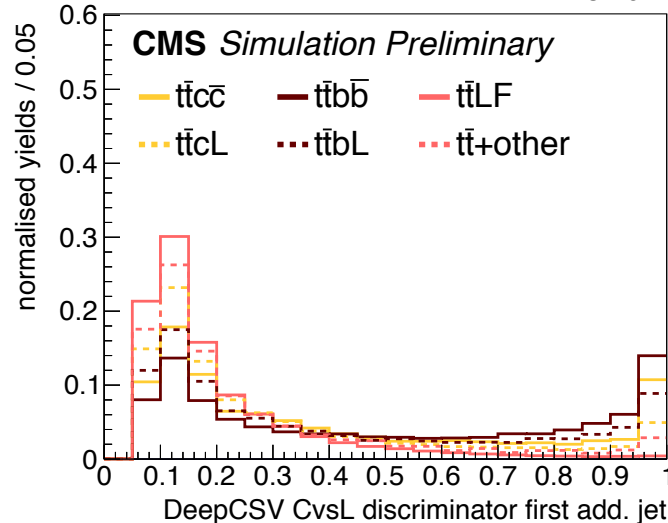
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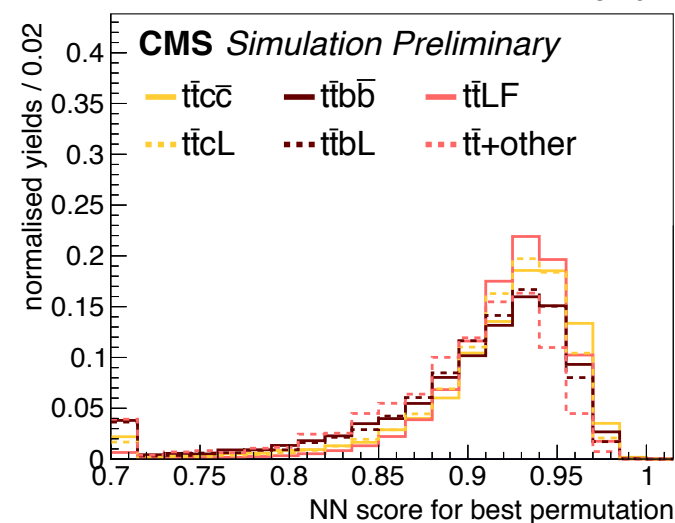
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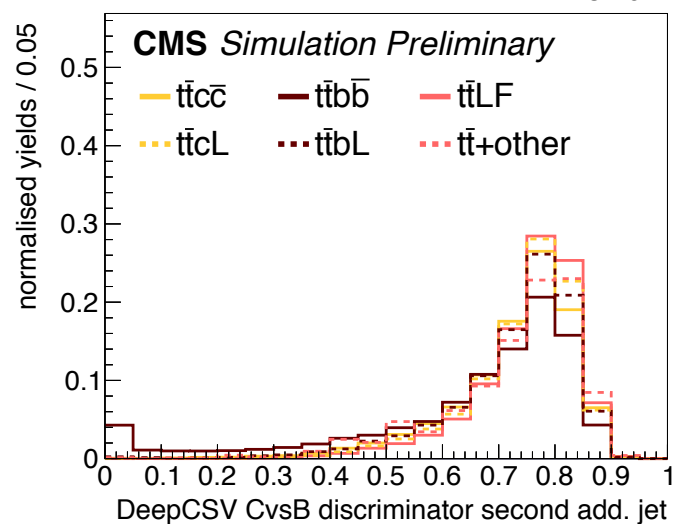
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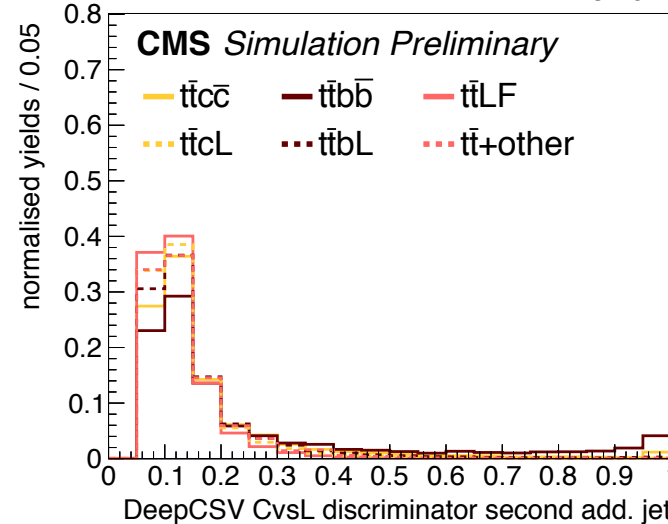
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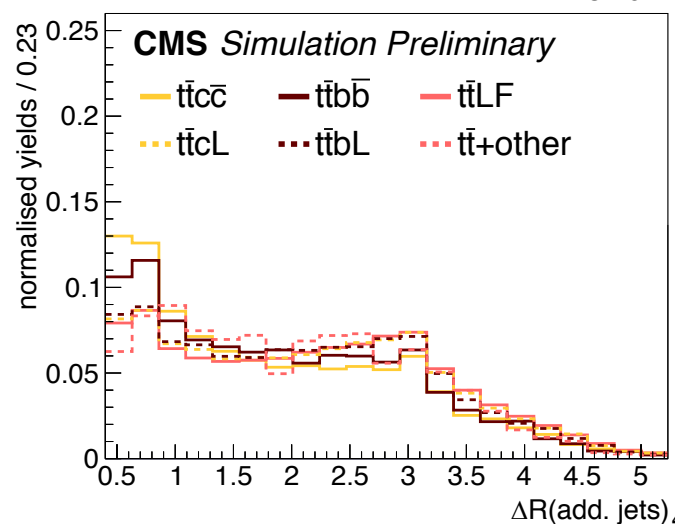
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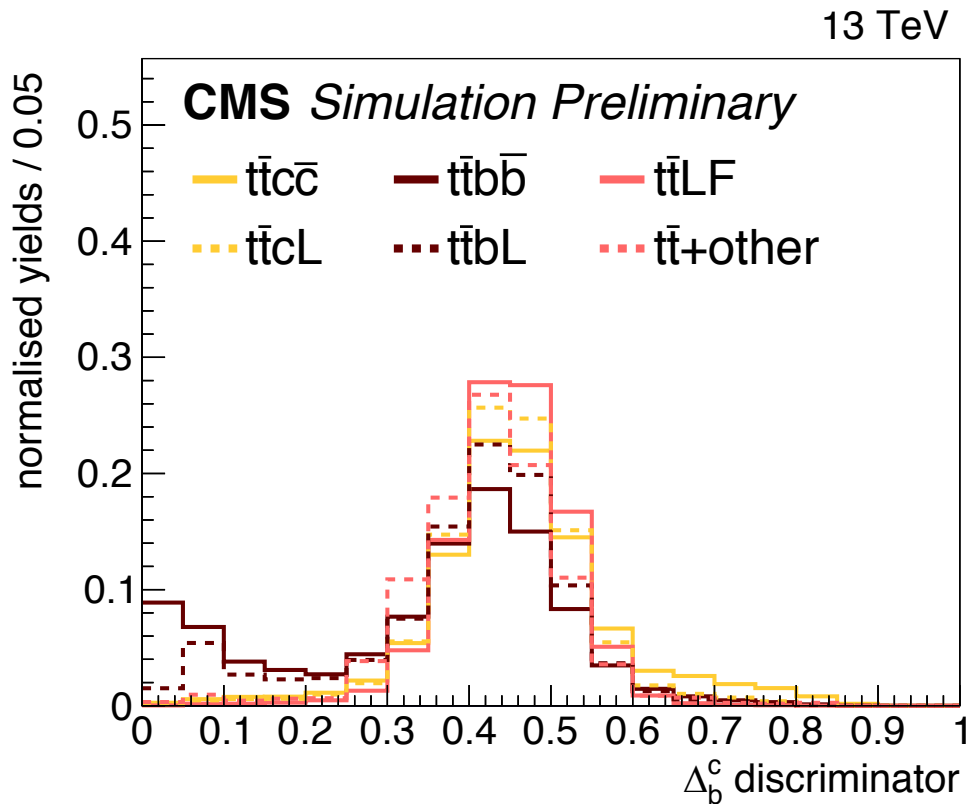
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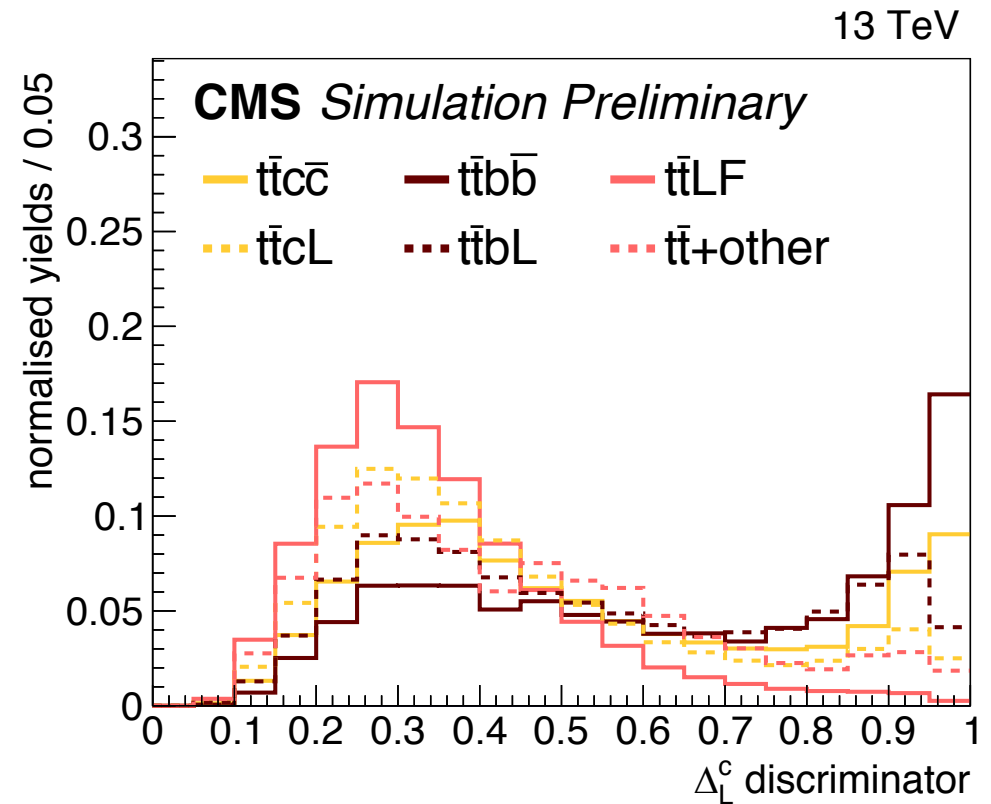


# Template fit using NN discriminator

## Templates from simulated top quark pair events



Constructed to separate  $t\bar{t}c\bar{c}$  from  $t\bar{t}b\bar{b}$  events



Constructed to separate  $t\bar{t}c\bar{c}$  from  $t\bar{t}LF$  events

Fitting these templates to the data allows to extract the cross sections for each of the signal processes

# Template fit using NN discriminator

## Fits to extract inclusive cross sections and their ratios

Full phase space

Fiducial phase space

Fit provides results in the fiducial phase space by taking into account an efficiency  $\epsilon$ .

$\bar{t}\bar{t}cL$  ( $\bar{t}\bar{t}bL$  /  $\bar{t}\bar{t}$  other) scaled with the same factor as  $\bar{t}\bar{t}c\bar{c}$  ( $\bar{t}\bar{t}b\bar{b}$  /  $\bar{t}\bar{t}LF$ ), i.e. ratio fixed to MC prediction (with uncertainties)

Reconstructed phase space

Higgs Combine framework

**Absolute cross sections**

$$\sigma_{\bar{t}\bar{t}c\bar{c}}, \sigma_{\bar{t}\bar{t}b\bar{b}}, \sigma_{\bar{t}\bar{t}LF}$$

**Ratios**

$$R_b = \sigma_{\bar{t}\bar{t}b\bar{b}} / \sigma_{\bar{t}\bar{t}jj} \text{ and } R_c = \sigma_{\bar{t}\bar{t}c\bar{c}} / \sigma_{\bar{t}\bar{t}jj}$$

Event category	$\bar{t}\bar{t}b\bar{b}$	$\bar{t}\bar{t}bL$	$\bar{t}\bar{t}c\bar{c}$	$\bar{t}\bar{t}cL$	$\bar{t}\bar{t}LF$
Efficiency $\epsilon$ (%)	12.5	8.9	7.1	5.9	4.7
Acceptance $\mathcal{A}$ (%)	2.9	2.5	2.0	2.0	2.3

Results in the fiducial phase space are extrapolated to the full phase space by means of an acceptance  $\mathcal{A}$ .



# Template fit using NN discriminator

## Impact of the systematic uncertainties on parameters of interest

numbers in %	fiducial phase space				
	$\Delta\sigma_{\bar{t}t\bar{c}c}$	$\Delta\sigma_{\bar{t}t\bar{b}b}$	$\Delta\sigma_{\bar{t}tLF}$	$\Delta R_c$	$\Delta R_b$
Jet energy scale	7.3	3.3	5.7	3.2	3.4
Jet energy resolution	1.4	0.3	1.2	2.1	1.2
c-tagging calibration	6.7	6.9	2.2	6.9	7.4
Lepton id and isolation	1.3	1.2	1.2	0.2	0.1
Trigger	2.0	2.0	2.0	< 0.1	< 0.1
Pileup	1.2	0.8	0.7	1.6	0.4
Total integrated luminosity	2.4	2.3	2.3	< 0.1	< 0.1
$\mu_R$ and $\mu_F$ scales in ME	4.3	2.4	0.8	4.1	2.7
Parton shower scale	0.4	1.0	0.1	0.4	0.9
PDF $\alpha_s$	0.5	< 0.1	0.1	0.4	0.1
Matching ME-PS (hdamp)	6.5	4.9	3.1	2.9	1.4
Underlying event	1.2	1.3	0.7	0.3	0.4
$\bar{t}t\bar{b}L(cL)/\bar{t}t\bar{b}\bar{b}(c\bar{c})$ and $\bar{t}t$ +other/ $\bar{t}tLF$	2.4	1.7	1.2	2.0	1.5
Efficiency (theoretical)	2.0	2.0	2.0	< 0.1	< 0.1
Simulated sample size	4.3	2.7	1.1	4.2	2.7
Background normalisation	0.7	0.1	0.5	0.2	0.5

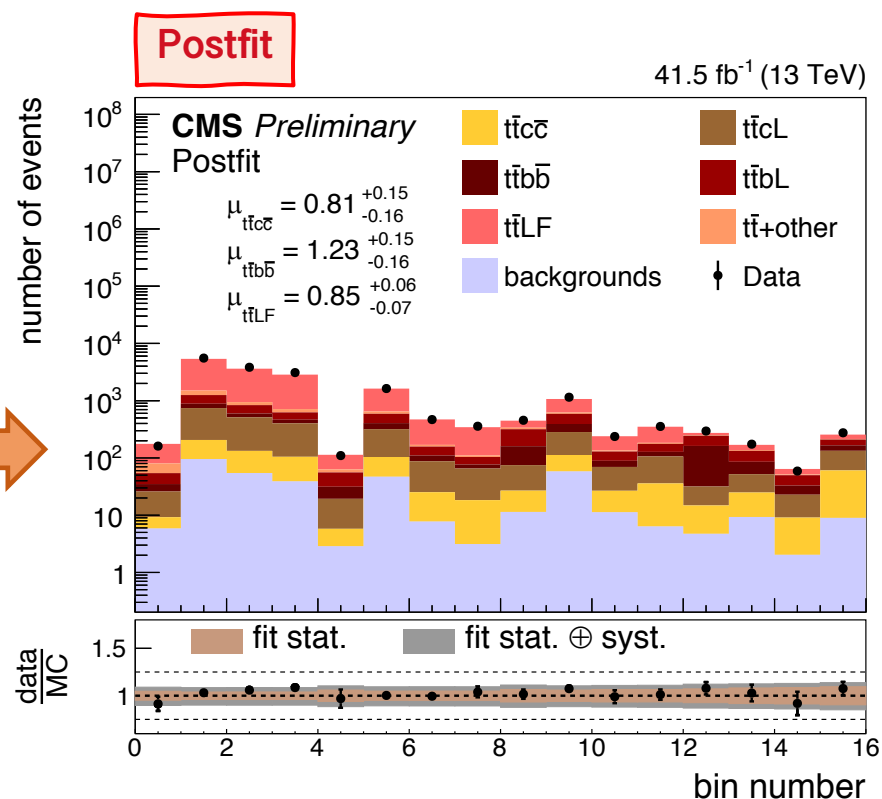
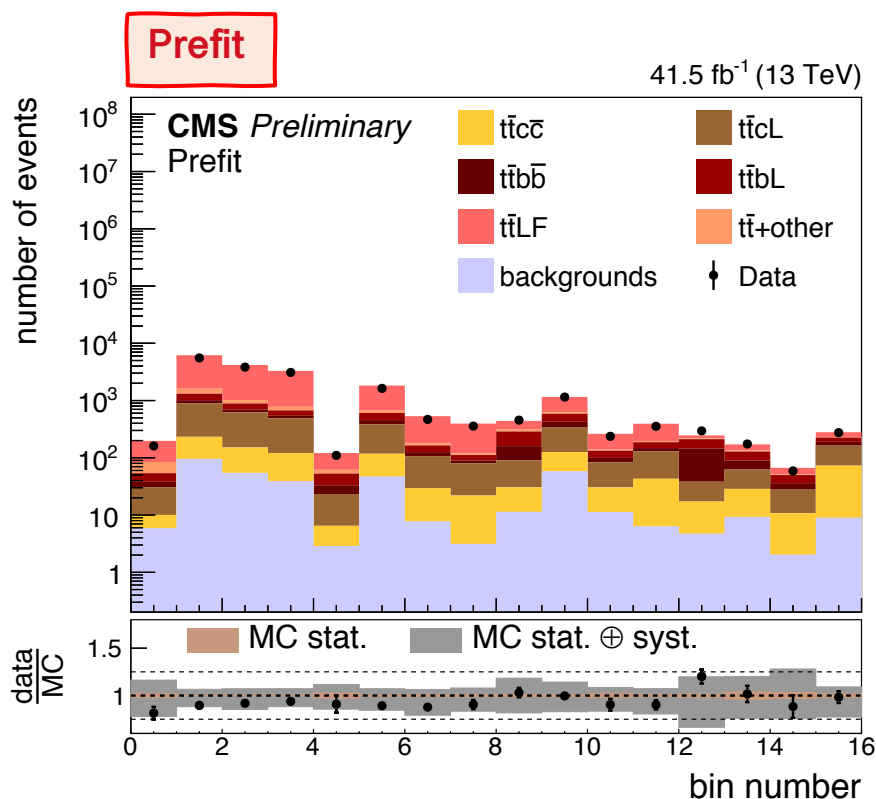
Dominant experimental uncertainties from c-tagging calibration and JES

Dominant theoretical uncertainties from QCD scales in the ME and ME-PS matching

## Comparison between the prefit and the postfit distributions

Two-dimensional distributions are unrolled onto a one-dimensional histogram  
 4x4 binning results in **16 bins with varying flavor composition**:

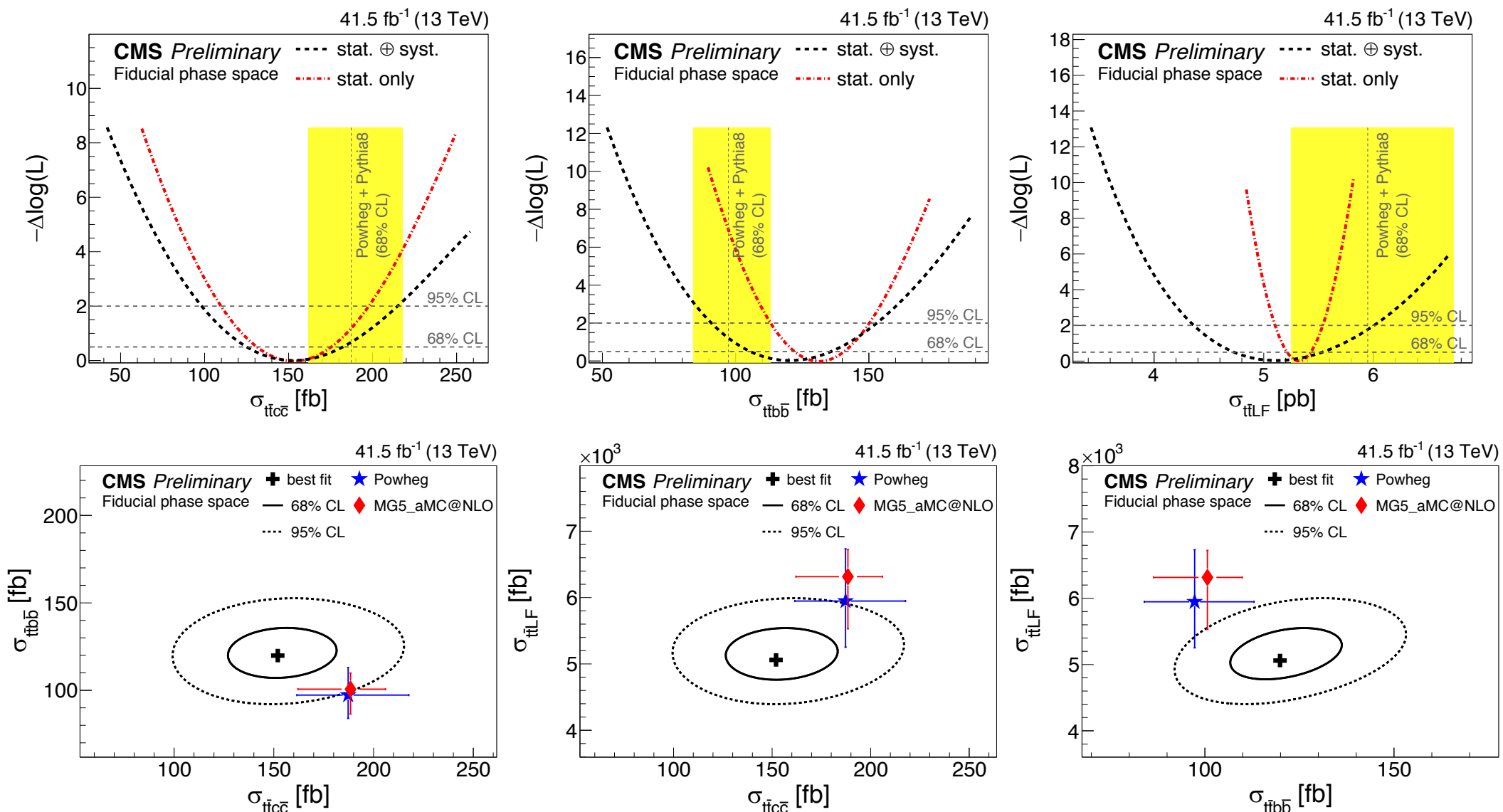
$$\Delta_L^c \otimes \Delta_b^c : [0, 0.45, 0.6, 0.9, 1.0] \otimes [0, 0.3, 0.45, 0.5, 1.0]$$



$\mu$  represents the **scaling factor of the simulated templates**  
 (cross section above or below theory prediction)

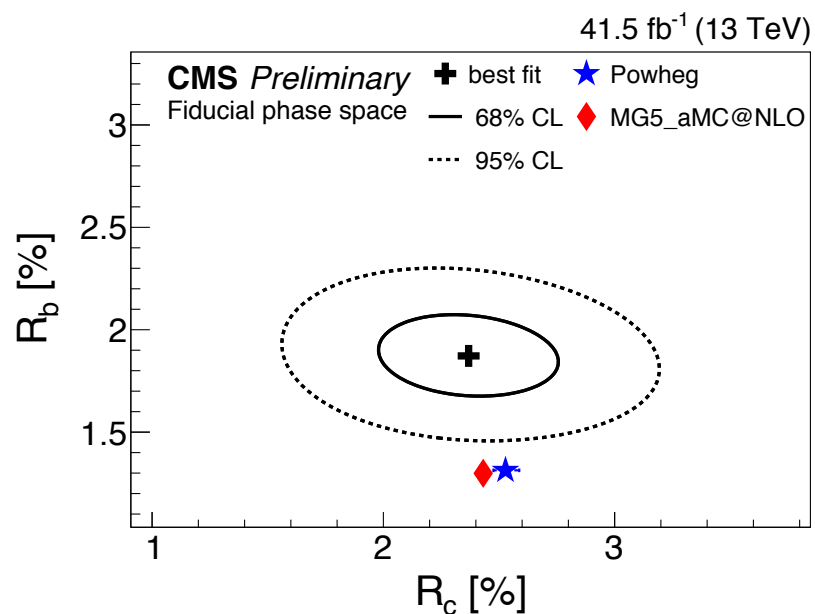
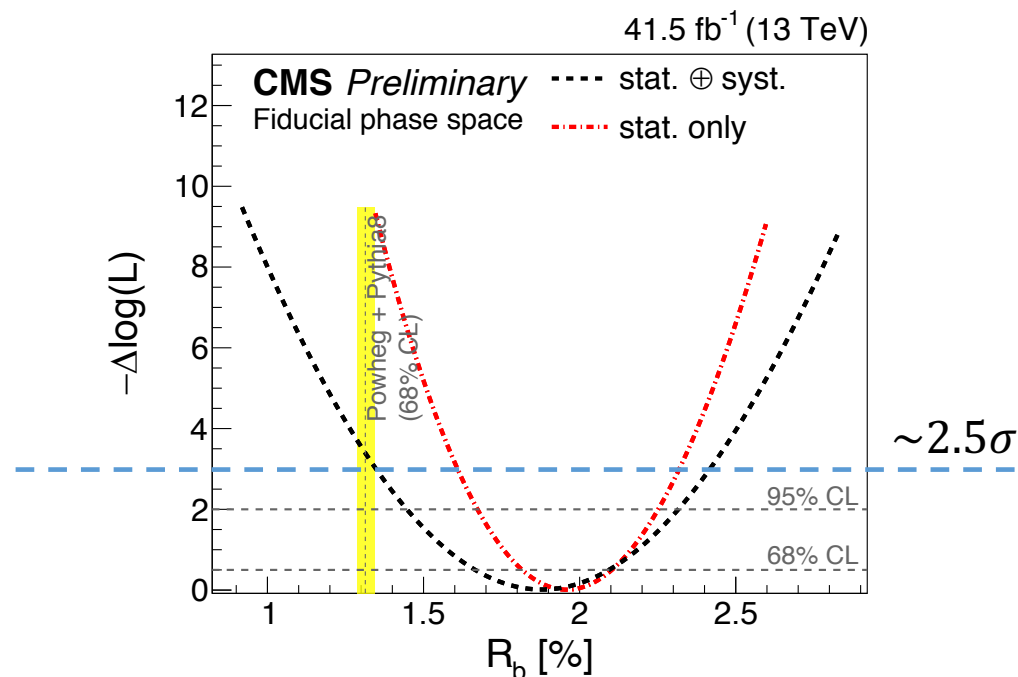
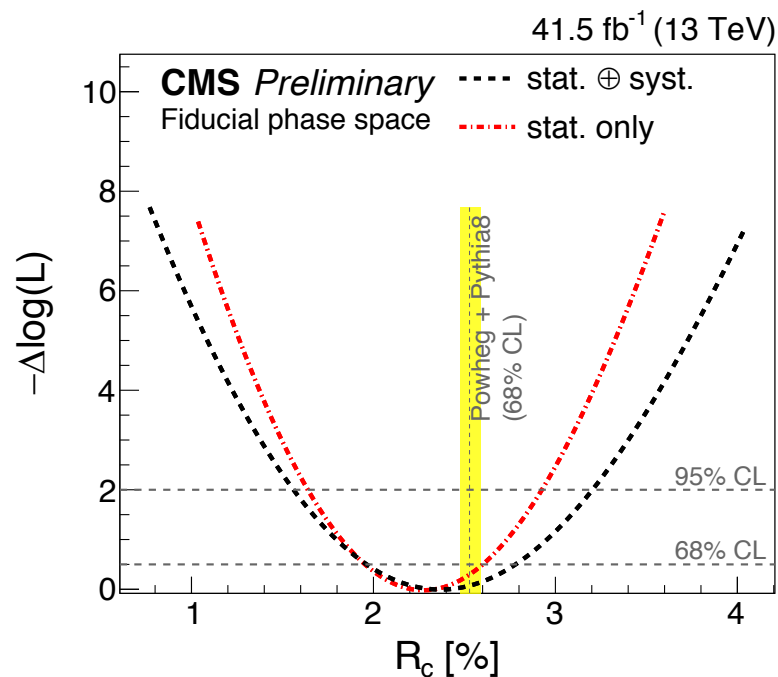
related to the cross section:  $\sigma = \frac{\mu \times N^{MC}}{\mathcal{L}^{int} \times \epsilon}$

## Inclusive cross sections in the fiducial phase space



Some tension observed, but **overall agreement within 1-2 standard deviations**  
 → measured  $t\bar{t}b\bar{b}$  ( $t\bar{t}c\bar{c}$  and  $t\bar{t}LF$ ) cross section higher (lower) than predicted.

## Ratios $R_c$ and $R_b$ in the fiducial phase space



$R_c$  is in very good agreement with theory prediction.

Largest tension observed for  $R_b$   
 $-\Delta\log L \sim 3 \rightarrow \sim 2.5\sigma$

## Numerical values + extrapolation to the full phase space

	Result	Uncertainty	POWHEG	MG5_AMC@NLO	
<b>Fiducial phase space</b>					
$\sigma_{\bar{t}t\bar{c}c}$ [pb]	0.152	$\pm 0.022$ (stat.) $\pm 0.019$ (syst.)	$0.187 \pm 0.030$	$0.188 \pm 0.026$	$\sim 19\%$
$\sigma_{\bar{t}t\bar{b}b}$ [pb]	0.120	$\pm 0.009$ (stat.) $\pm 0.012$ (syst.)	$0.097 \pm 0.016$	$0.101 \pm 0.014$	
$\sigma_{\bar{t}tLF}$ [pb]	5.06	$\pm 0.11$ (stat.) $\pm 0.41$ (syst.)	$5.95 \pm 0.79$	$6.32 \pm 0.79$	
$R_c$ [%]	2.37	$\pm 0.32$ (stat.) $\pm 0.25$ (syst.)	$2.53 \pm 0.06$	$2.43 \pm 0.06$	$\sim 17\%$
$R_b$ [%]	1.87	$\pm 0.14$ (stat.) $\pm 0.16$ (syst.)	$1.31 \pm 0.03$	$1.30 \pm 0.03$	
<b>Full phase space</b>					
$\sigma_{\bar{t}t\bar{c}c}$ [pb]	7.43	$\pm 1.07$ (stat.) $\pm 0.95$ (syst.)	$9.15 \pm 1.44$	$8.92 \pm 1.26$	
$\sigma_{\bar{t}t\bar{b}b}$ [pb]	4.12	$\pm 0.32$ (stat.) $\pm 0.42$ (syst.)	$3.35 \pm 0.54$	$3.39 \pm 0.49$	
$\sigma_{\bar{t}tLF}$ [pb]	217.0	$\pm 4.6$ (stat.) $\pm 18.1$ (syst.)	$255.1 \pm 32.0$	$260.6 \pm 32.8$	
$R_c$ [%]	2.64	$\pm 0.36$ (stat.) $\pm 0.28$ (syst.)	$2.82 \pm 0.07$	$2.72 \pm 0.05$	
$R_b$ [%]	1.47	$\pm 0.11$ (stat.) $\pm 0.13$ (syst.)	$1.03 \pm 0.03$	$1.03 \pm 0.02$	

## Comparison to other ttbb analyses

	Result	Uncertainty	POWHEG	MG5_AMC@NLO
<b>Fiducial phase space</b>				
$\sigma_{\text{tt}\bar{c}\bar{c}}$ [pb]	0.152	$\pm 0.022$ (stat.) $\pm 0.019$ (syst.)	$0.187 \pm 0.030$	$0.188 \pm 0.026$
$\sigma_{\text{tt}\bar{b}\bar{b}}$ [pb]	0.120	$\pm 0.009$ (stat.) $\pm 0.012$ (syst.)	$0.097 \pm 0.016$	$0.101 \pm 0.014$
$\sigma_{\text{tt}\bar{l}\bar{l}\text{F}}$ [pb]	5.06	$\pm 0.11$ (stat.) $\pm 0.41$ (syst.)	$5.95 \pm 0.79$	$6.32 \pm 0.79$
$R_c$ [%]	2.37	$\pm 0.32$ (stat.) $\pm 0.25$ (syst.)	$2.53 \pm 0.06$	$2.43 \pm 0.06$
$R_b$ [%]	1.87	$\pm 0.14$ (stat.) $\pm 0.16$ (syst.)	$1.31 \pm 0.03$	$1.30 \pm 0.03$
<b>Full phase space</b>				
$\sigma_{\text{tt}\bar{c}\bar{c}}$ [pb]	7.43	$\pm 1.07$ (stat.) $\pm 0.95$ (syst.)	$9.15 \pm 1.44$	$8.92 \pm 1.26$
$\sigma_{\text{tt}\bar{b}\bar{b}}$ [pb]	4.12	$\pm 0.32$ (stat.) $\pm 0.42$ (syst.)	$3.35 \pm 0.54$	$3.39 \pm 0.49$
$\sigma_{\text{tt}\bar{l}\bar{l}\text{F}}$ [pb]	217.0	$\pm 4.6$ (stat.) $\pm 18.1$ (syst.)	$255.1 \pm 32.0$	$260.6 \pm 32.8$
$R_c$ [%]	2.64	$\pm 0.36$ (stat.) $\pm 0.28$ (syst.)	$2.82 \pm 0.07$	$2.72 \pm 0.05$
$R_b$ [%]	1.47	$\pm 0.11$ (stat.) $\pm 0.13$ (syst.)	$1.03 \pm 0.03$	$1.03 \pm 0.02$

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+2.5 $\sigma$

	<b>TOP-18-002</b>	$R_{\text{tt}\bar{b}\bar{b}/\text{ttij}}$	$\sigma_{\text{ttij}}$ [pb]	$\sigma_{\text{tt}\bar{b}\bar{b}}$ [pb]
<b>Dilepton channel (VPS)</b>				
POWHEG + PYTHIA8		$0.013 \pm 0.002$	$2.41 \pm 0.21$	$0.032 \pm 0.004$
Measurement		$0.017 \pm 0.001 \pm 0.001$	$2.36 \pm 0.02 \pm 0.20$	$0.040 \pm 0.002 \pm 0.005$
<b>Dilepton channel (FPS)</b>				
POWHEG + PYTHIA8		$0.014 \pm 0.003$	$163 \pm 21$	$2.3 \pm 0.4$
MG_aMC@NLO + PYTHIA8 5FS [FxFx]		$0.015 \pm 0.003$	$159 \pm 25$	$2.4 \pm 0.4$
POWHEG + HERWIG++		$0.011 \pm 0.002$	$170 \pm 25$	$1.9 \pm 0.3$
Measurement		$0.018 \pm 0.001 \pm 0.002$	$159 \pm 1 \pm 15$	$2.9 \pm 0.1 \pm 0.5$
<b>Lepton+jets channel (VPS)</b>				
POWHEG + PYTHIA8		$0.017 \pm 0.002$	$30.5 \pm 3.0$	$0.52 \pm 0.06$
Measurement		$0.020 \pm 0.001 \pm 0.001$	$31.0 \pm 0.2 \pm 2.9$	$0.62 \pm 0.03 \pm 0.07$
<b>Lepton+jets channel (FPS)</b>				
POWHEG + PYTHIA8		$0.013 \pm 0.002$	$290 \pm 29$	$3.9 \pm 0.4$
MG_aMC@NLO + PYTHIA8 5FS [FxFx]		$0.014 \pm 0.003$	$280 \pm 40$	$4.1 \pm 0.4$
POWHEG + HERWIG++		$0.011 \pm 0.002$	$321 \pm 36$	$3.4 \pm 0.5$
Measurement		$0.016 \pm 0.001 \pm 0.001$	$292 \pm 1 \pm 29$	$4.7 \pm 0.2 \pm 0.6$

+1.8 $\sigma$

30 GeV

+2.1 $\sigma$

**TOP-18-011**

	Fiducial, parton-independent (pb)	Fiducial, parton-based (pb)	Total (pb)
Measurement	$1.6 \pm 0.1^{+0.5}_{-0.4}$	$1.6 \pm 0.1^{+0.5}_{-0.4}$	$5.5 \pm 0.3^{+1.6}_{-1.3}$
POWHEG (tt)	$1.1 \pm 0.2$	$1.0 \pm 0.2$	$3.5 \pm 0.6$
POWHEG (tt) + HERWIG++	$0.8 \pm 0.2$	$0.8 \pm 0.2$	$3.0 \pm 0.5$
MADGRAPH5_aMC@NLO (4FS ttbb)	$0.8 \pm 0.2$	$0.8 \pm 0.2$	$2.3 \pm 0.7$
MADGRAPH5_aMC@NLO (5FS tt+jets, FxFx)	$1.0 \pm 0.1$	$1.0 \pm 0.1$	$3.6 \pm 0.3$

**TOP-16-010**

Phase space		$\sigma_{\text{tt}\bar{b}\bar{b}}$ [pb]	$\sigma_{\text{ttij}}$ [pb]	$\sigma_{\text{tt}\bar{b}\bar{b}}/\sigma_{\text{ttij}}$
Visible	Measurement	$0.088 \pm 0.012 \pm 0.029$	$3.7 \pm 0.1 \pm 0.7$	$0.024 \pm 0.003 \pm 0.007$
	SM (POWHEG)	$0.070 \pm 0.009$	$5.1 \pm 0.5$	$0.014 \pm 0.001$
Full	Measurement	$4.0 \pm 0.6 \pm 1.3$	$184 \pm 6 \pm 33$	$0.022 \pm 0.003 \pm 0.006$
	SM (POWHEG)	$3.2 \pm 0.4$	$257 \pm 26$	$0.012 \pm 0.001$

+1.5 $\sigma$