

When charm and beauty adjoin the top

First measurement of the cross section of top quark pair production with additional charm jets using the dilepton final state in pp collisions at $\sqrt{s}=13$ TeV

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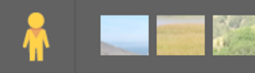
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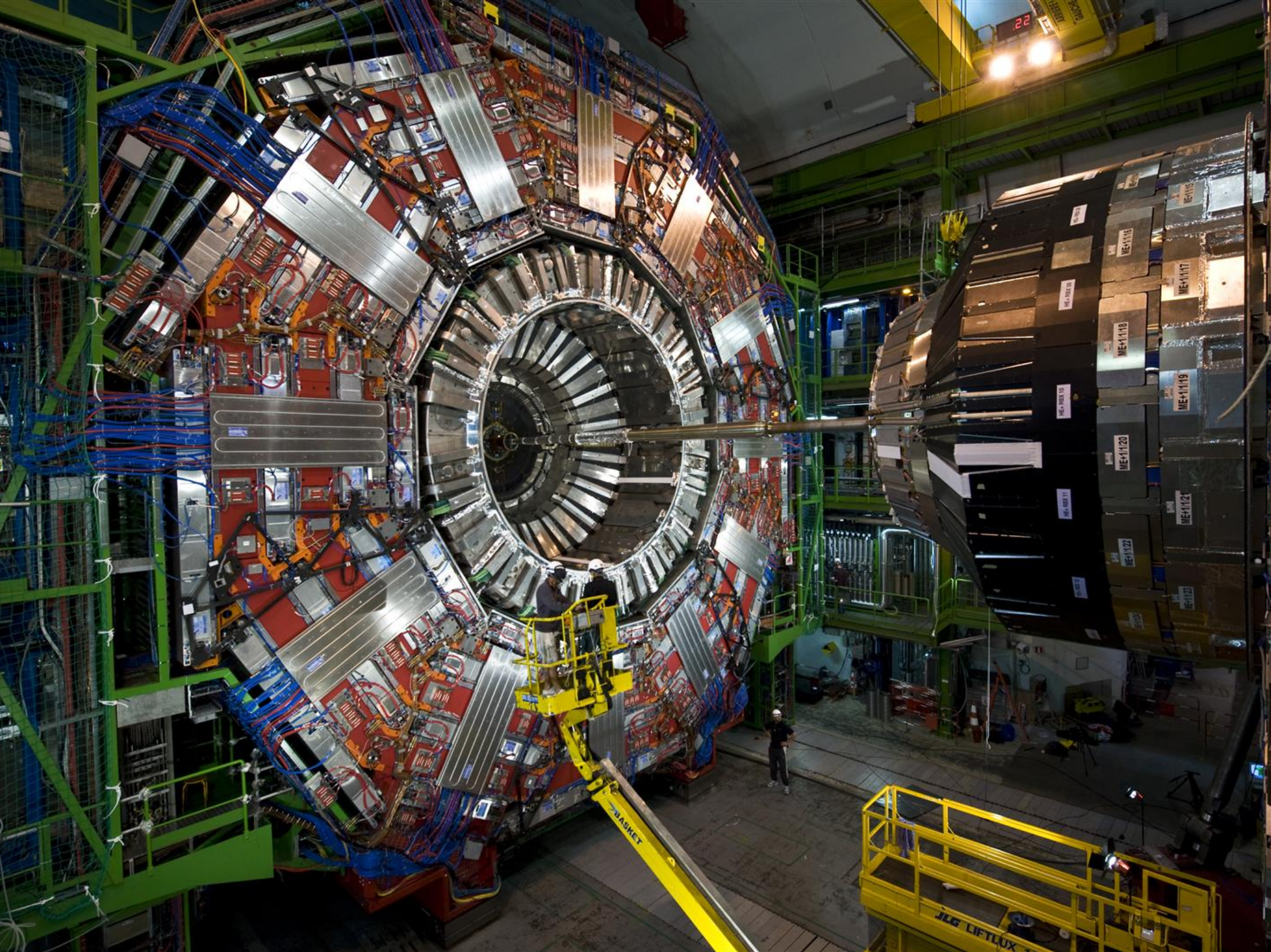
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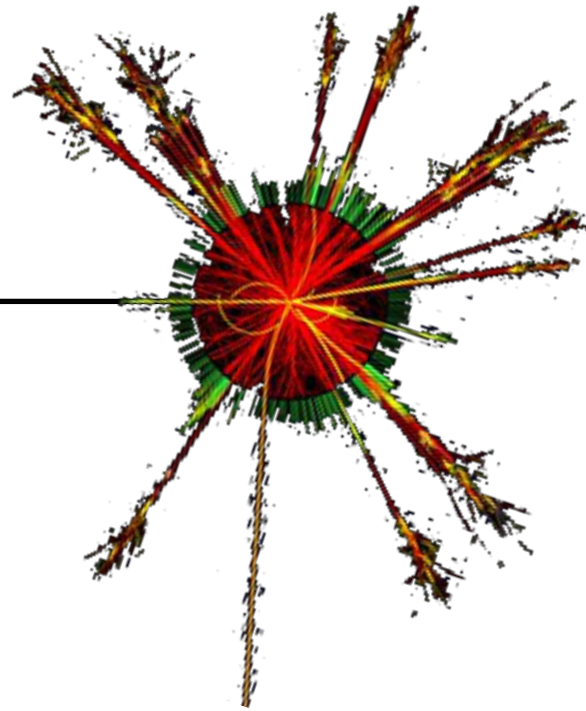
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$t\bar{t} + \text{HF}$: Theory



Theoretical modelling of $t\bar{t}$ +HF

Simulating these processes remains an active field of study

Theory predictions / Simulation of the $t\bar{t}$ +HF final state is highly non-trivial. It deals with very different scales ranging from the top quark mass down to momenta of the relatively soft additional jets.

- Matrix Element vs Parton Shower.
- $t\bar{t}b\bar{b}$ @LO vs NLO vs $t\bar{t}b\bar{b}j$ @NLO (large k-factor, depending on scale choice) [[Buccioni F. et al, JHEP 12 \(2019\), 015](#)].
- Factorization/Renormalization/Shower/matching scales.
- Inclusive $t\bar{t}$ +jets versus dedicated $t\bar{t}b\bar{b}$ and $t\bar{t}c\bar{c}$ simulation.

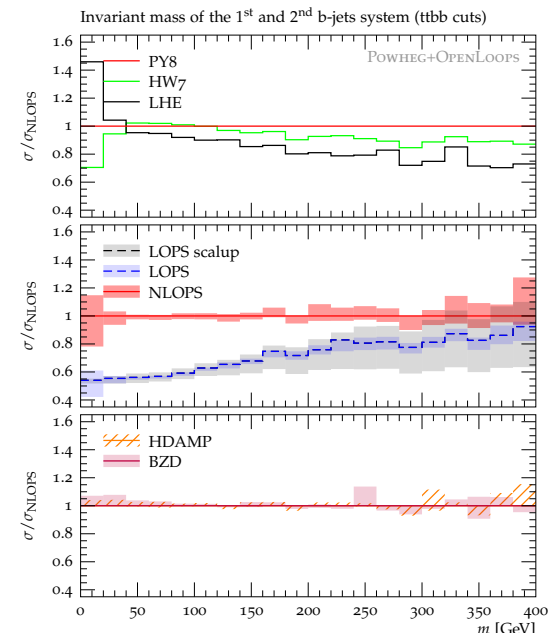
Still a very active field of study!

[[Sigert F, Jan 2020, Zürich Phenomenology Workshop](#)]

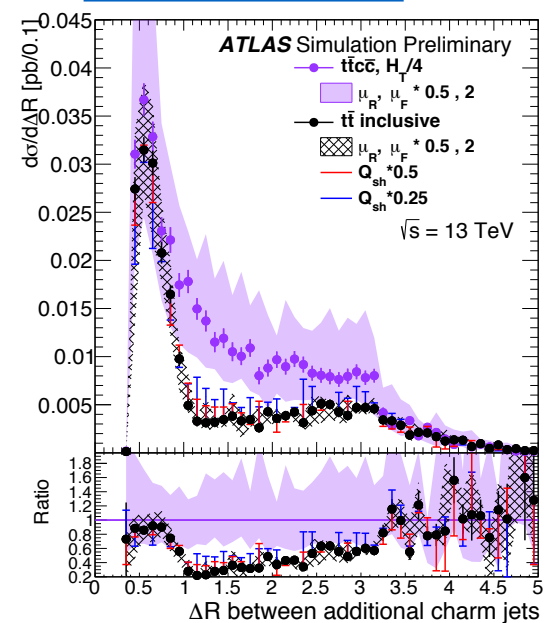
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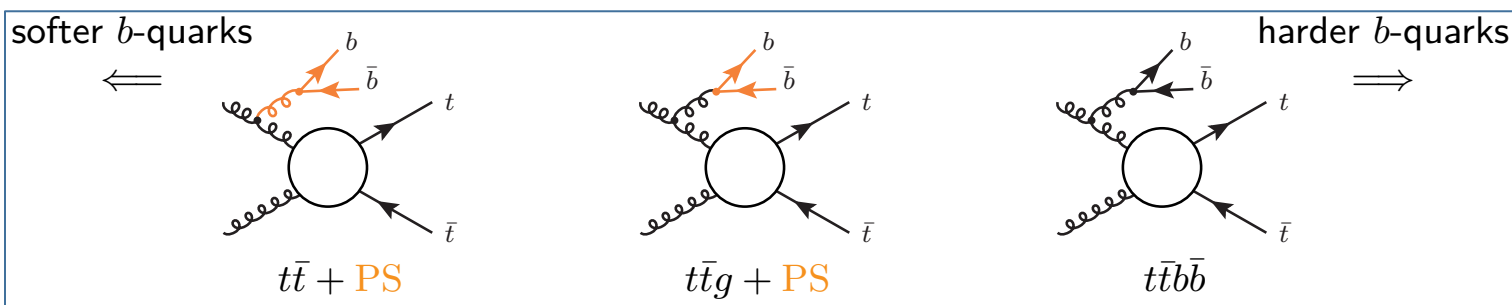
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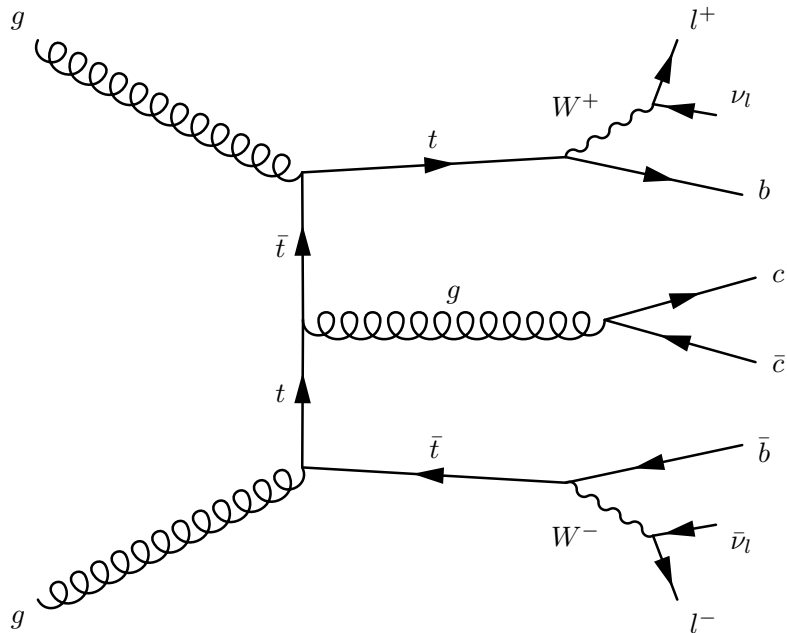
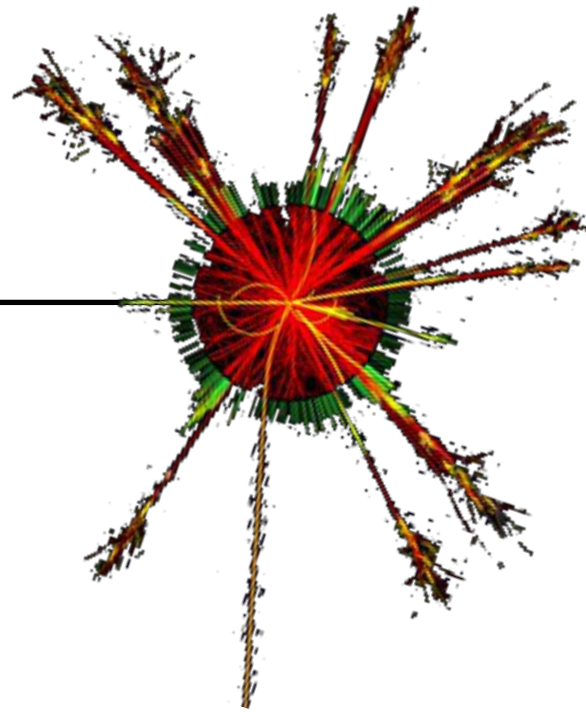
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[S. Pozzorini, Theory progress on \$t\bar{t}H\(b\bar{b}\)\$ background, TOP2018 @ Bad Neuenahr, Germany](#)



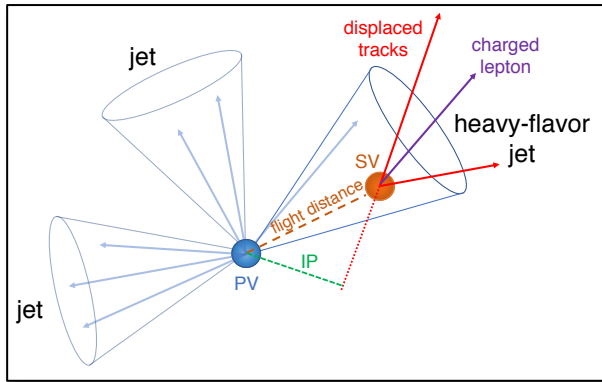
$t\bar{t}$ + charm jets!



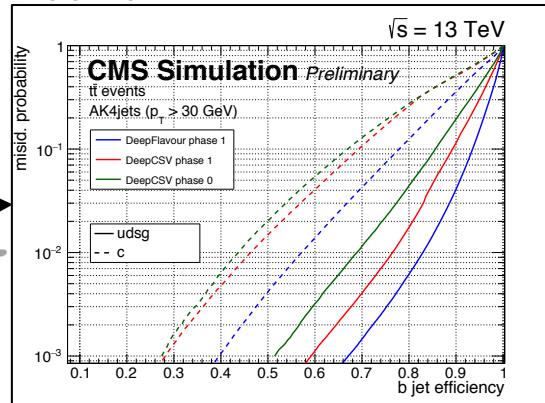
Measurement of $t\bar{t}+c\bar{c}$ production

A roadmap towards a successful measurement

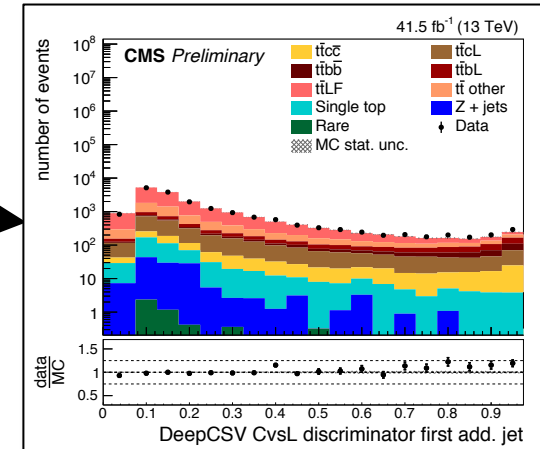
① c, b and t quarks require jets and heavy flavor tagging (new **c-tagger**)



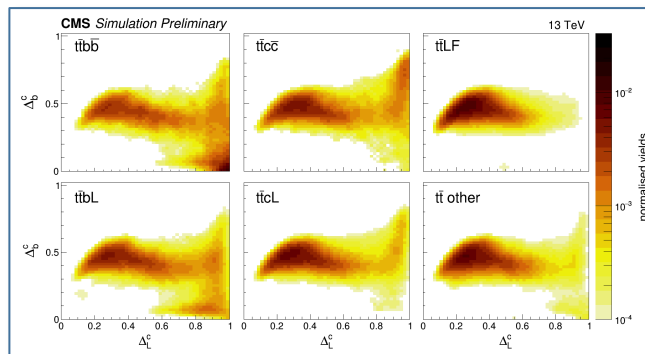
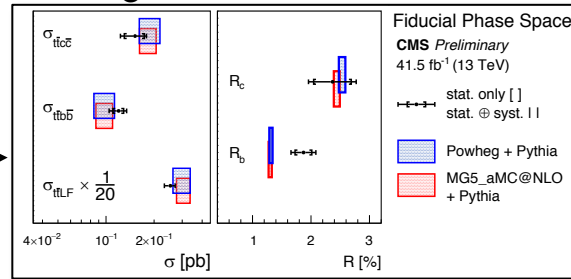
② Improved ML techniques for HF tagging (**DeepCSV/DeepJet**)



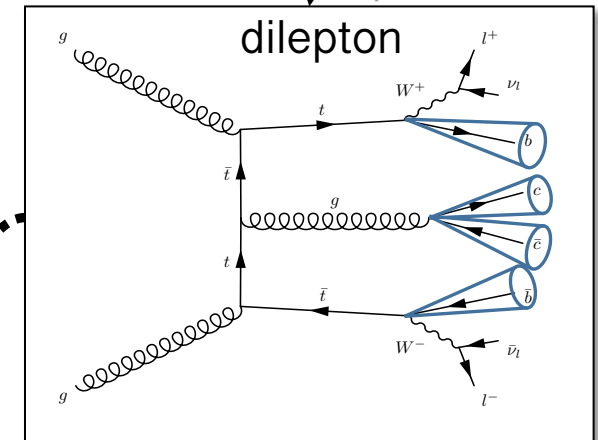
③ Calibration performance (charm tagger shape)



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)

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⁻¹** of integrated luminosity

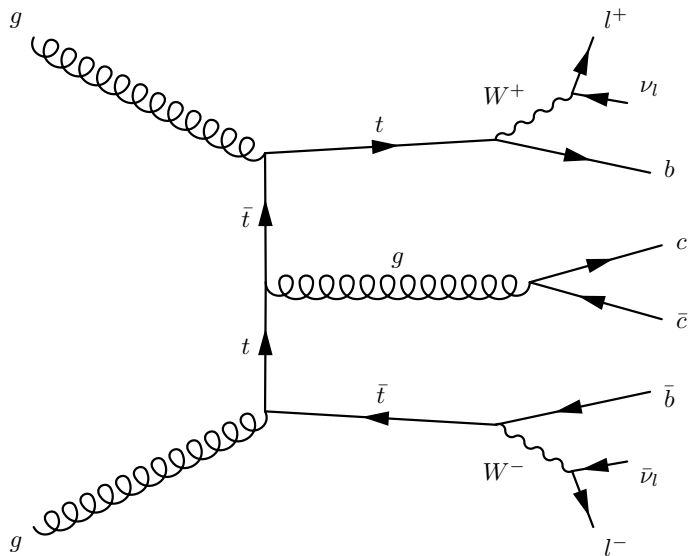
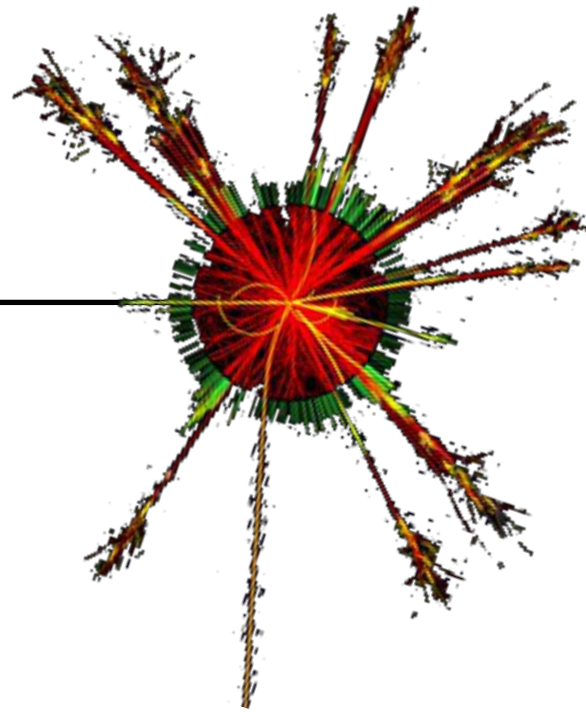
Key ingredients:

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)

Signal definition + event selection



Definition of heavy-flavor jets

Heavy-flavor definition in simulation based on ghost hadron clustering [Phys.Lett.B 659 \(2008\) 119-126](#)

Fiducial phase space

- $pp \rightarrow t\bar{t}jj \rightarrow \ell^+ \bar{\nu}_\ell b \ell^- \nu_\ell \bar{b} jj$ (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

- $pp \rightarrow t\bar{t}jj \rightarrow W^+ b W^- \bar{b} jj$
- 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

- $t\bar{t}b\bar{b}$: ≥ 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)
- $t\bar{t}c\bar{c}$: ≥ 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)
- $t\bar{t}LF$: 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

Global

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

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
- $|\eta| < 2.4$
- Rel. Iso < 0.15

Dilepton invariant mass

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

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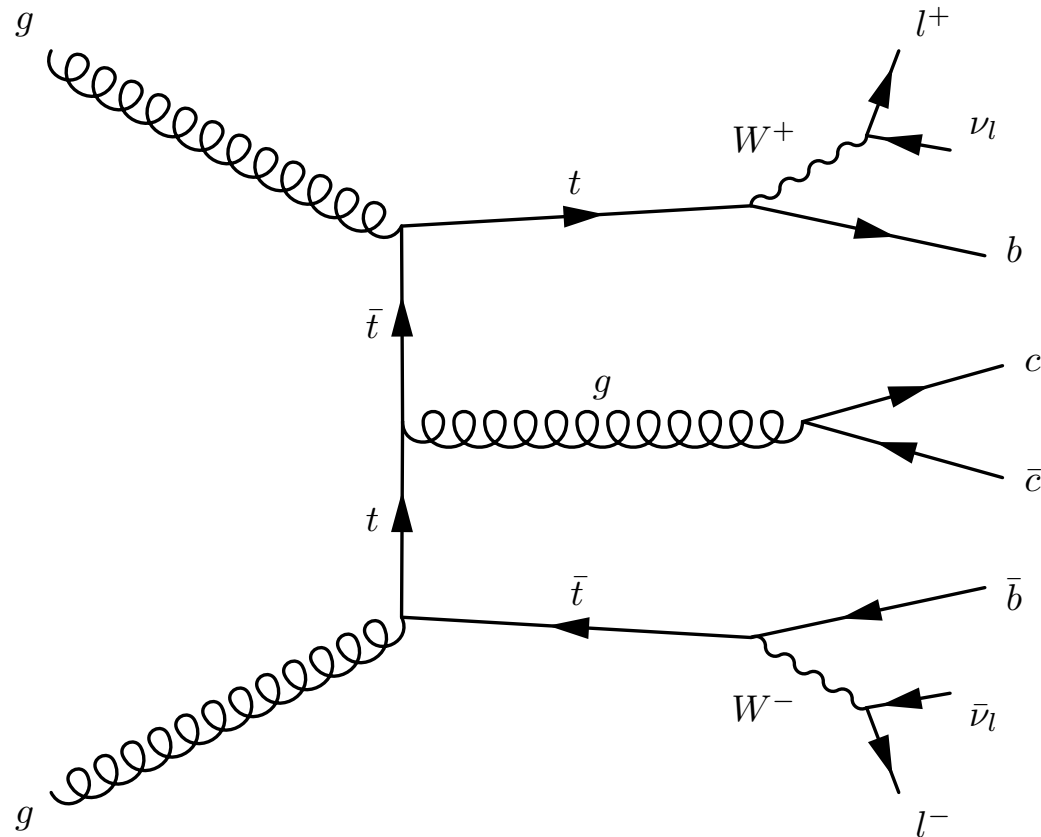
- $\mu\mu/ee$: MET > 30 GeV

Jets

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

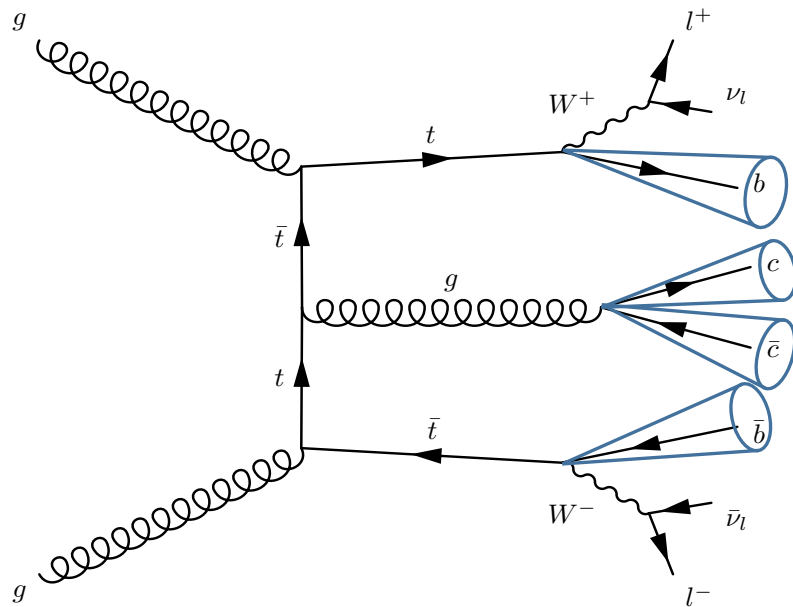
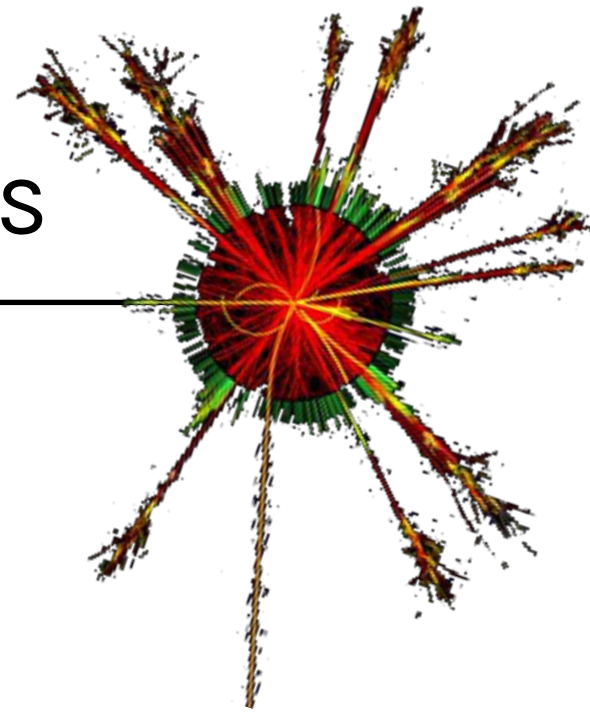
b-jets/c-jets

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



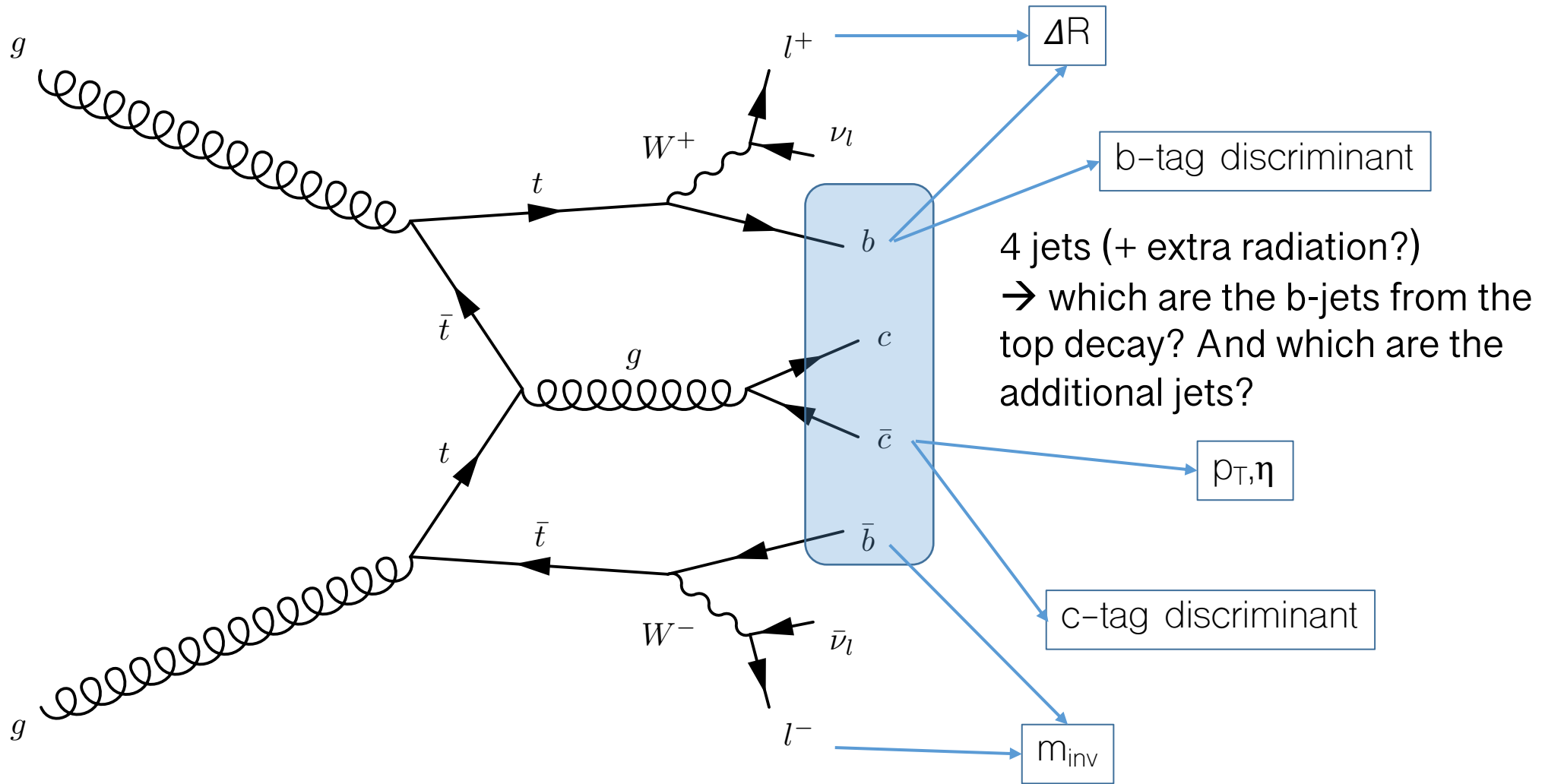
Results in $>95\%$ $t\bar{t}$ + ≥ 2 jets!

Matching jets to partons



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

Jet-parton matching

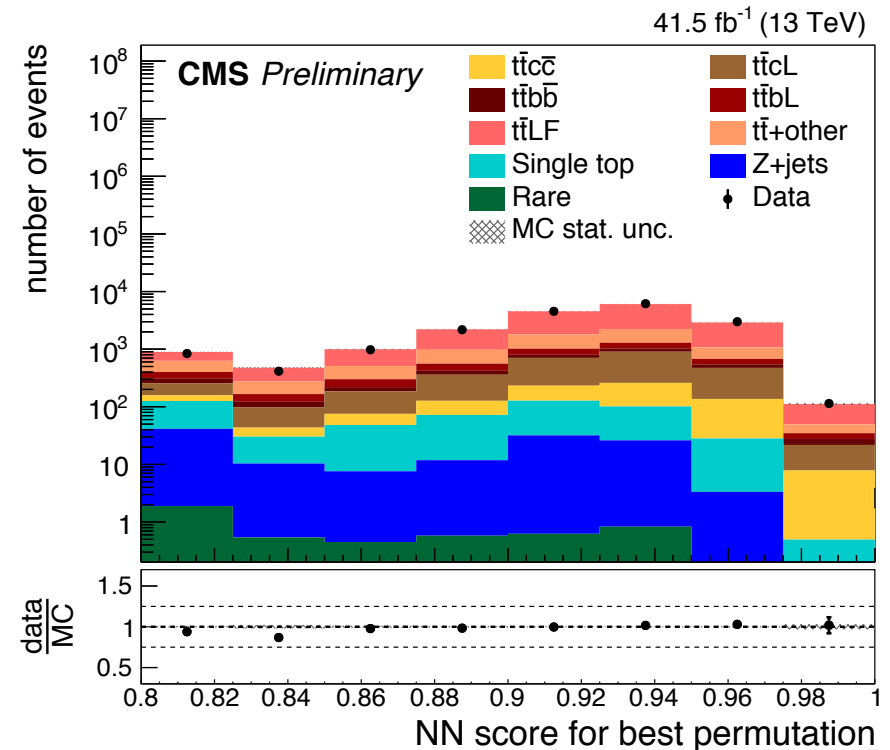
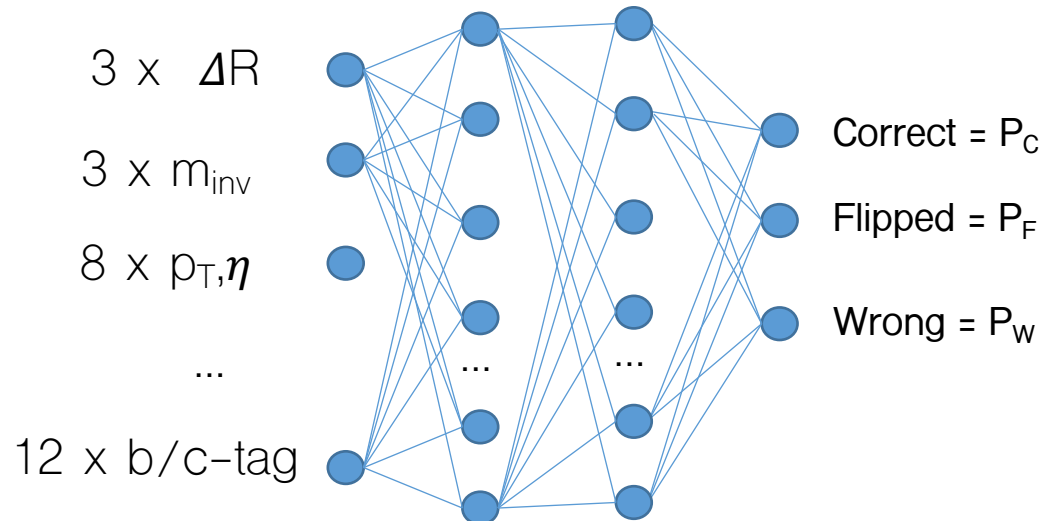
Performance and neural network output

Only $\sim 76\%$ of events have two b jets matched to two gen-level b quarks from top quark within $\Delta R < 0.3$. Only these are used in the training of the NN.

The network correctly identifies the two additional c (b) jets in **50% (30%)** of the cases for $t\bar{t}c\bar{c}$ ($t\bar{t}b\bar{b}$) events.

Good agreement between the data (black markers) and the simulation (filled histograms).

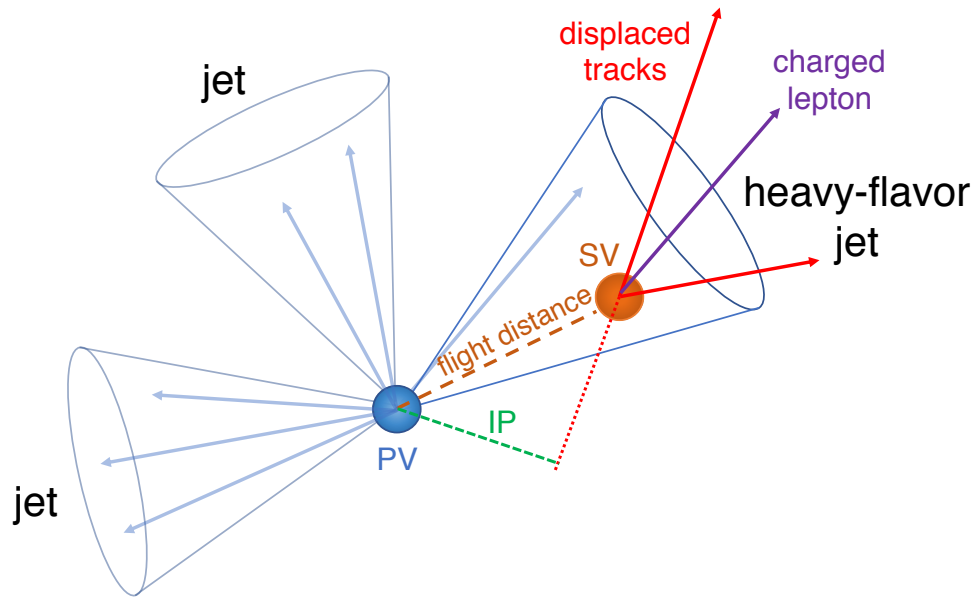
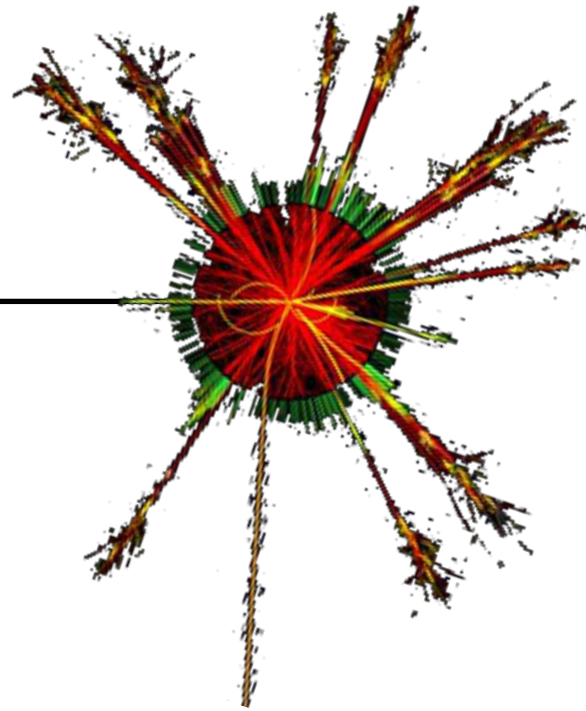
Two hidden layers that comprise 50 neurons each, with ReLU activation functions and a 10% dropout



NN score for best permutation

$$= \max\left(\frac{P_C}{P_C + P_W}, \frac{P_F}{P_F + P_W}\right)$$

Charm tagging



[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).

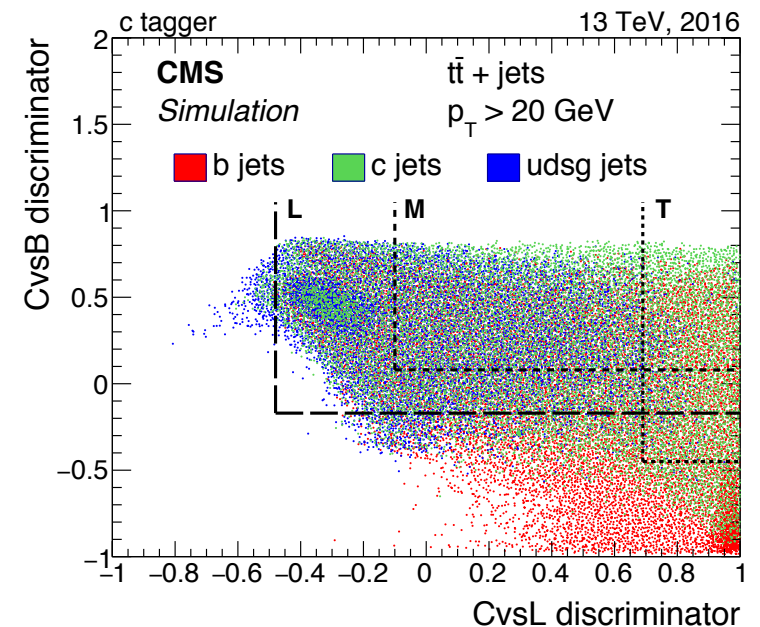
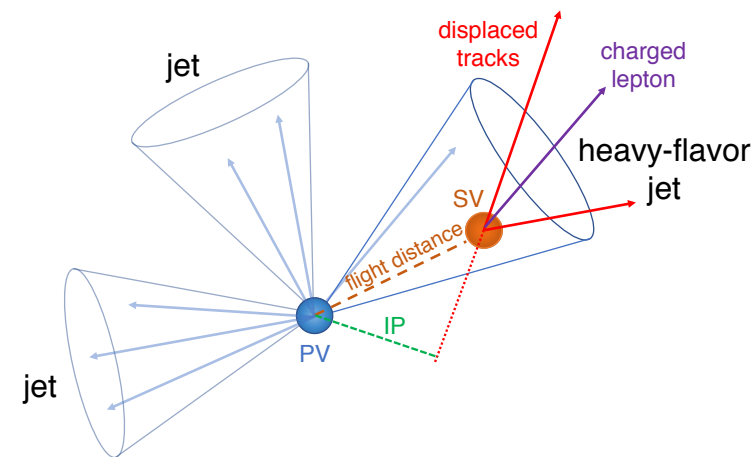
This discrimination is based on properties such as track displacement, secondary vertex mass/flight distance, ...

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

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

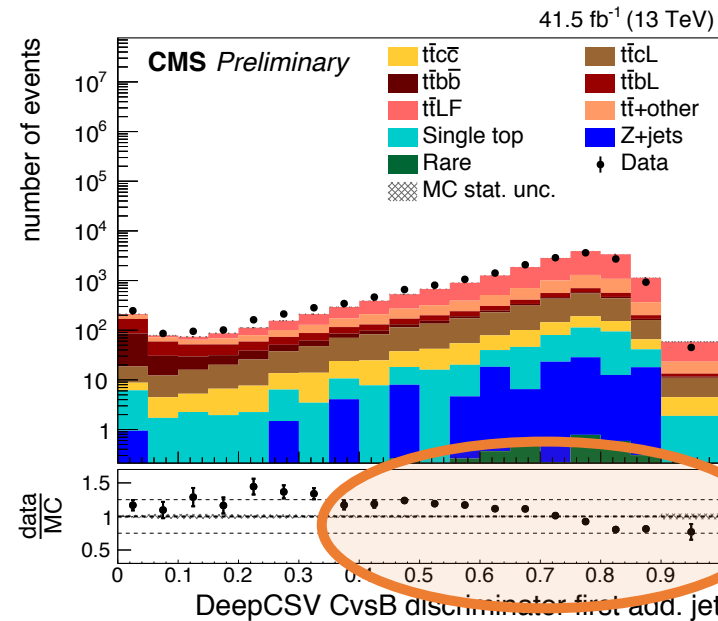
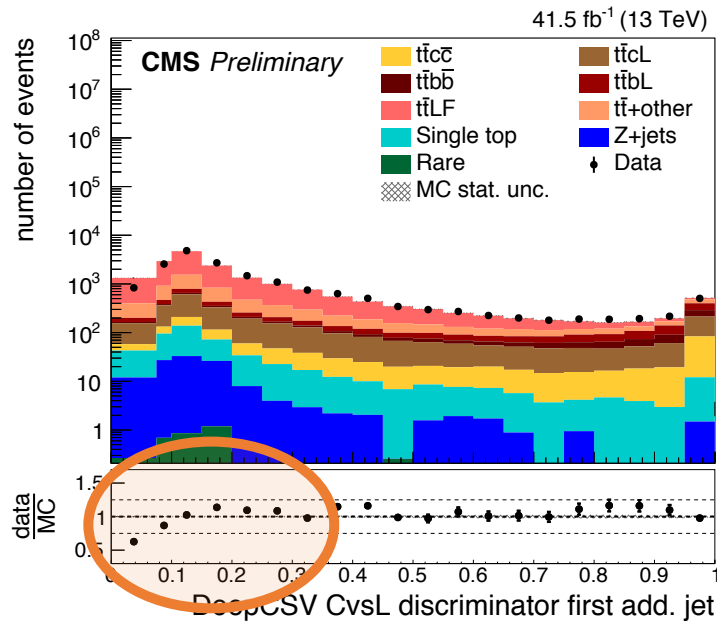
To use these discriminants in a neural network, the 2-dim **shape in simulations needs to be calibrated to the data!**

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

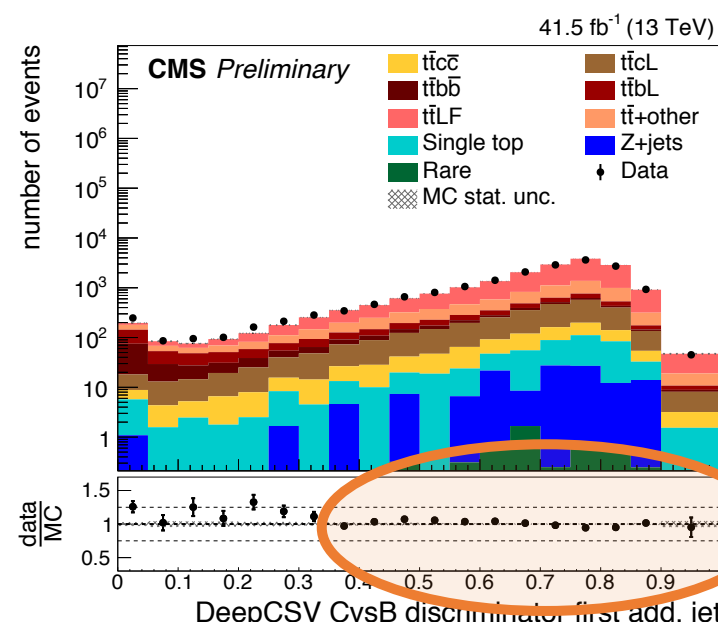
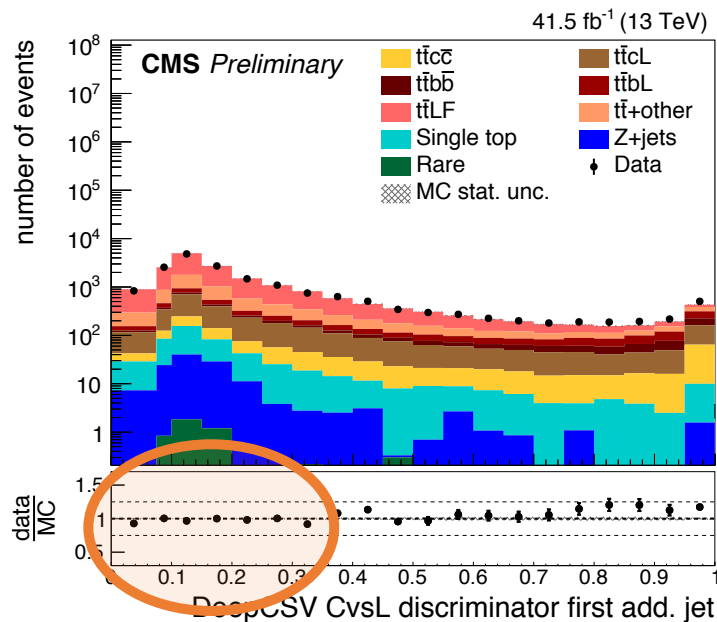


Effect of the calibration on the additional jet CvsL/CvsB

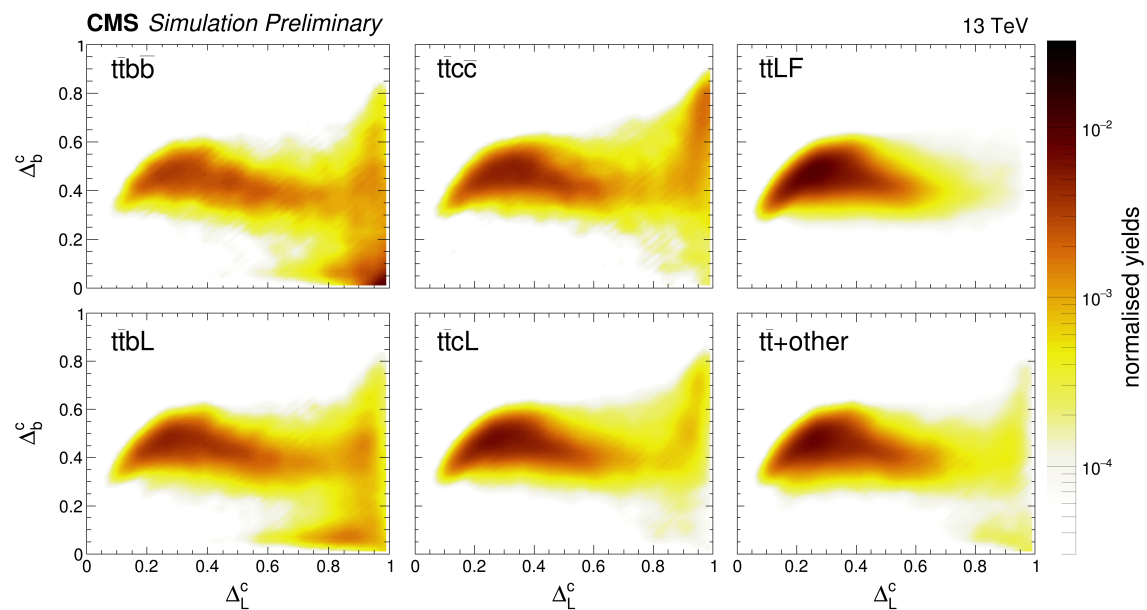
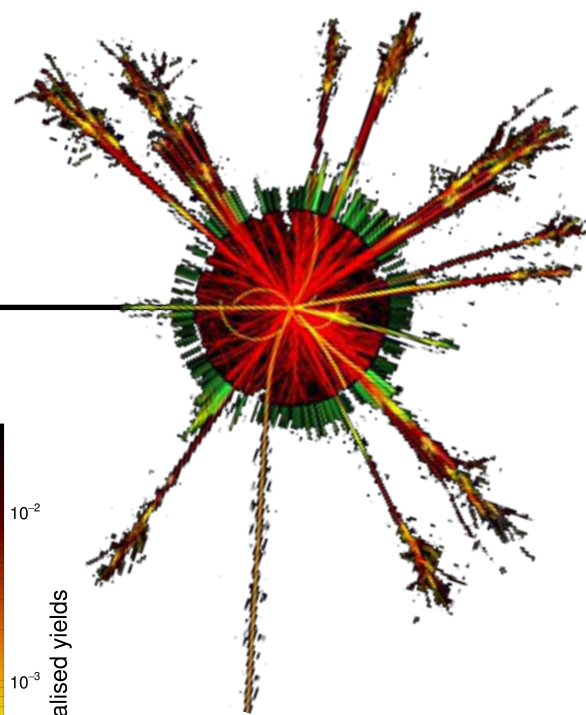
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After



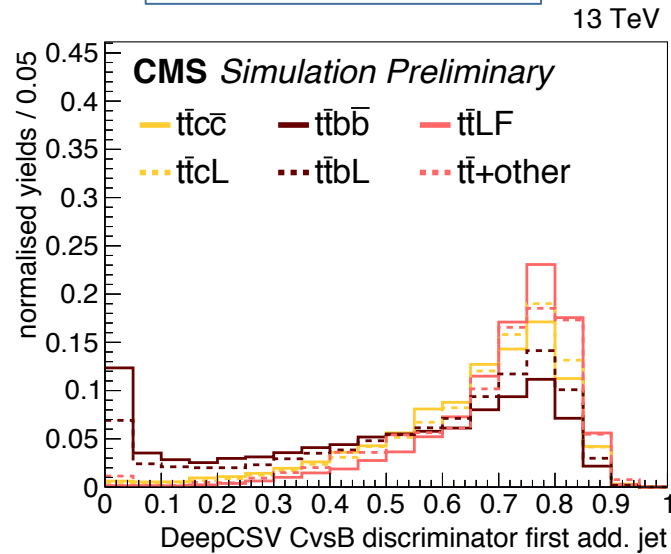
Template fit to a neural network classifier



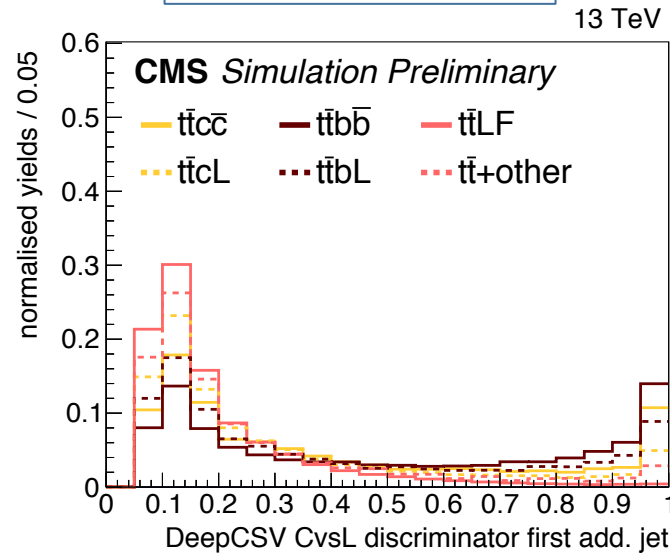
Template fit using NN discriminator

Sensitive observables to distinguish between $t\bar{t}c\bar{c}$, $t\bar{t}b\bar{b}$, $t\bar{t}LF$

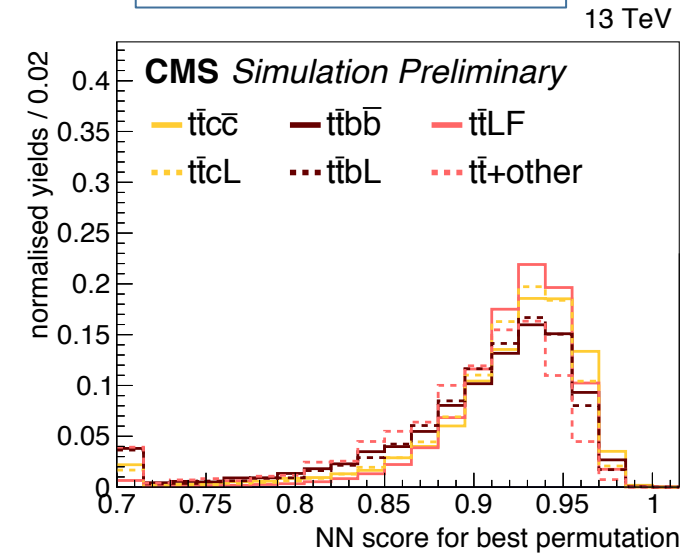
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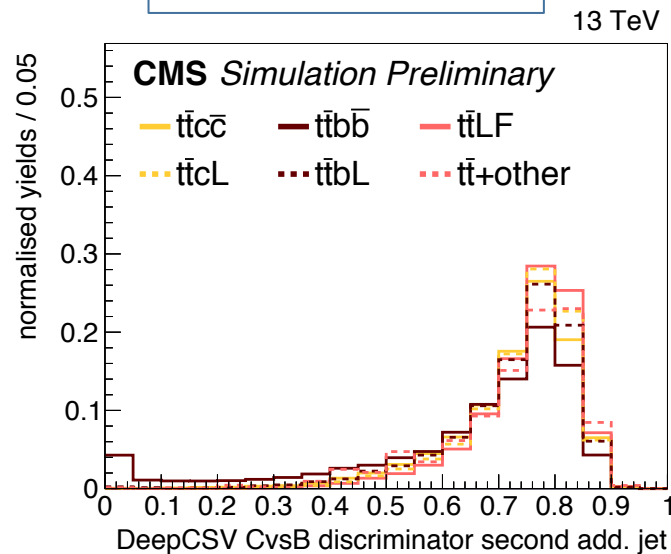
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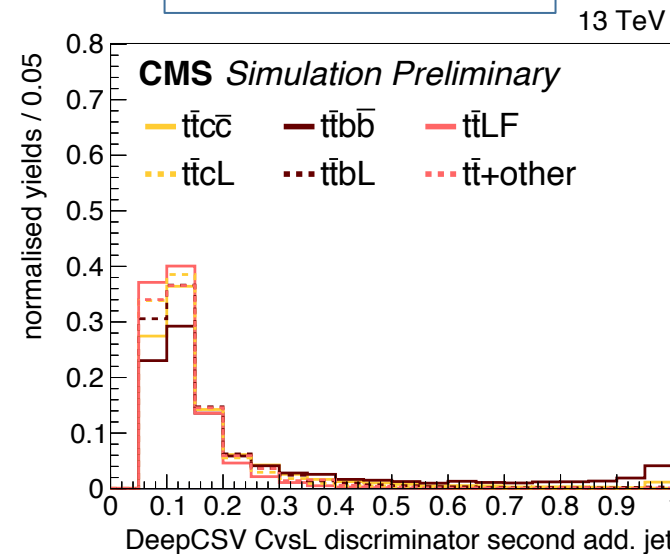
parton match NN



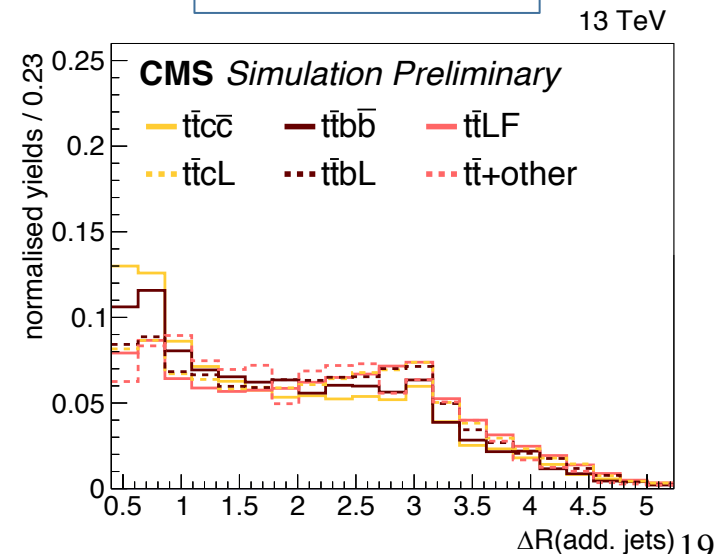
CvsB add. Jet 2



CvsL add. Jet 2



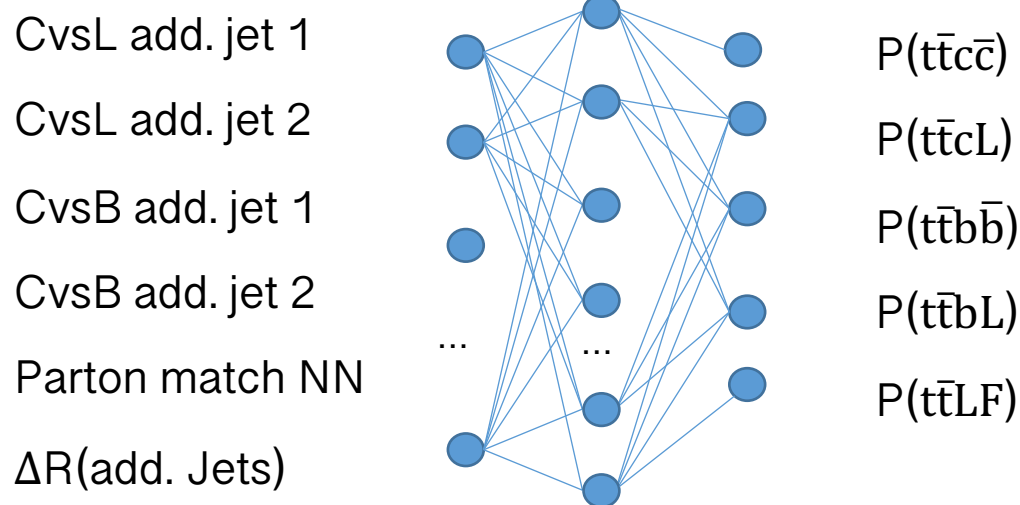
$\Delta R(\text{add. Jets})$



Template fit using NN discriminator

Defining the neural network

one hidden layer that comprises 30 neurons with ReLu activation functions and a 10% dropout



$$\Delta_b^c = \frac{P(t\bar{t}c\bar{c})}{P(t\bar{t}c\bar{c}) + P(t\bar{t}b\bar{b})}$$

$$\Delta_L^c = \frac{P(t\bar{t}c\bar{c})}{P(t\bar{t}c\bar{c}) + P(t\bar{t}LF)}$$

Δ_b^c and Δ_L^c can be interpreted as **topology-specific c-tagger discriminants**

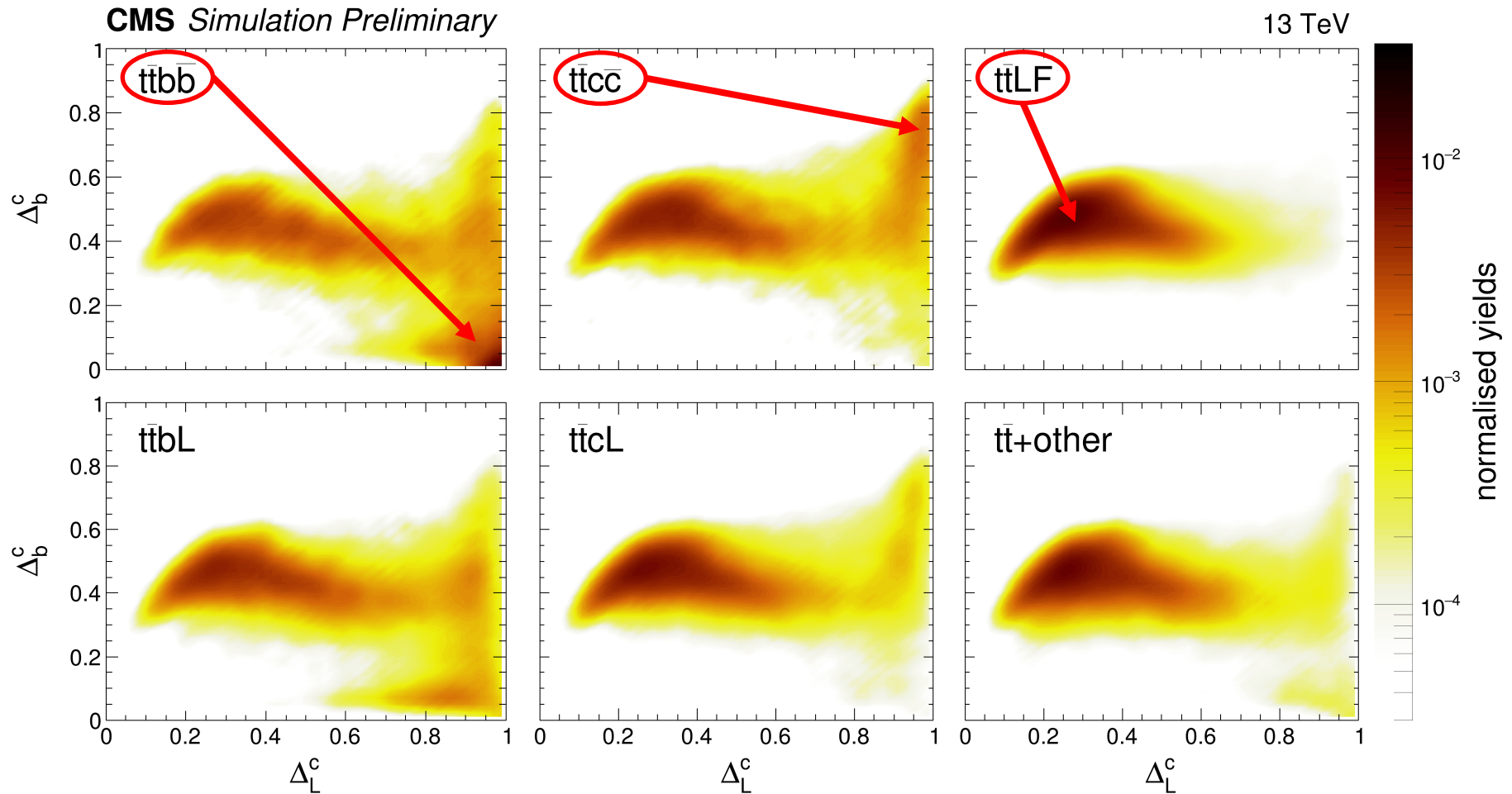
Information on the **flavour of the two additional jets**

Additional **information on the event kinematics** to most optimally distinguish different signal categories

Template fit using NN discriminator

Two-dimensional simulated templates used in the fit

The fit is performed on two-dimensional distributions

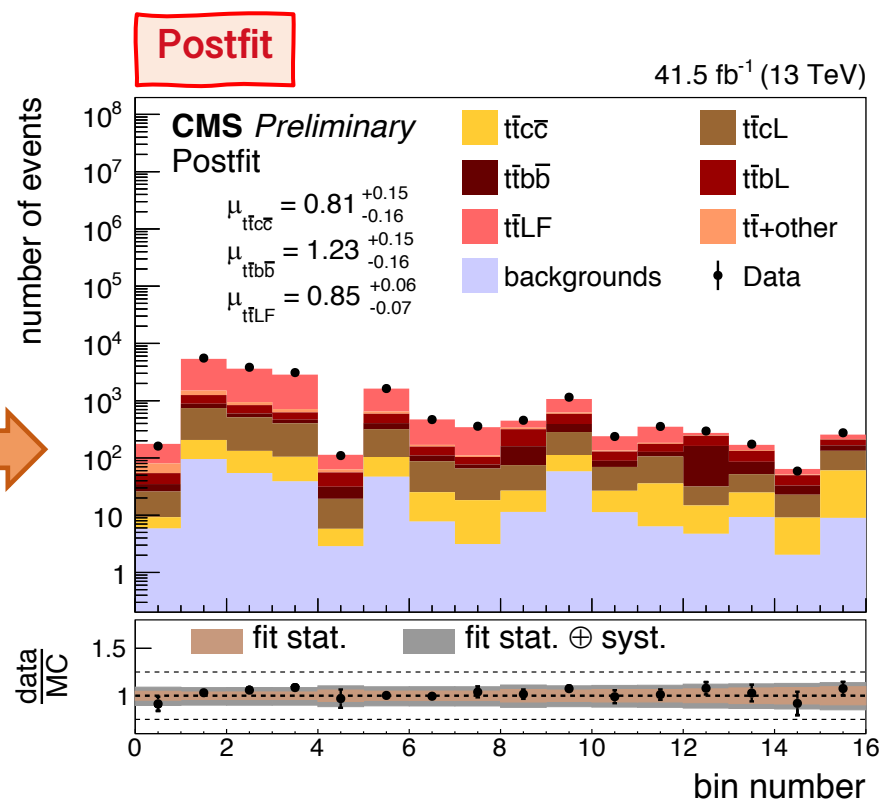
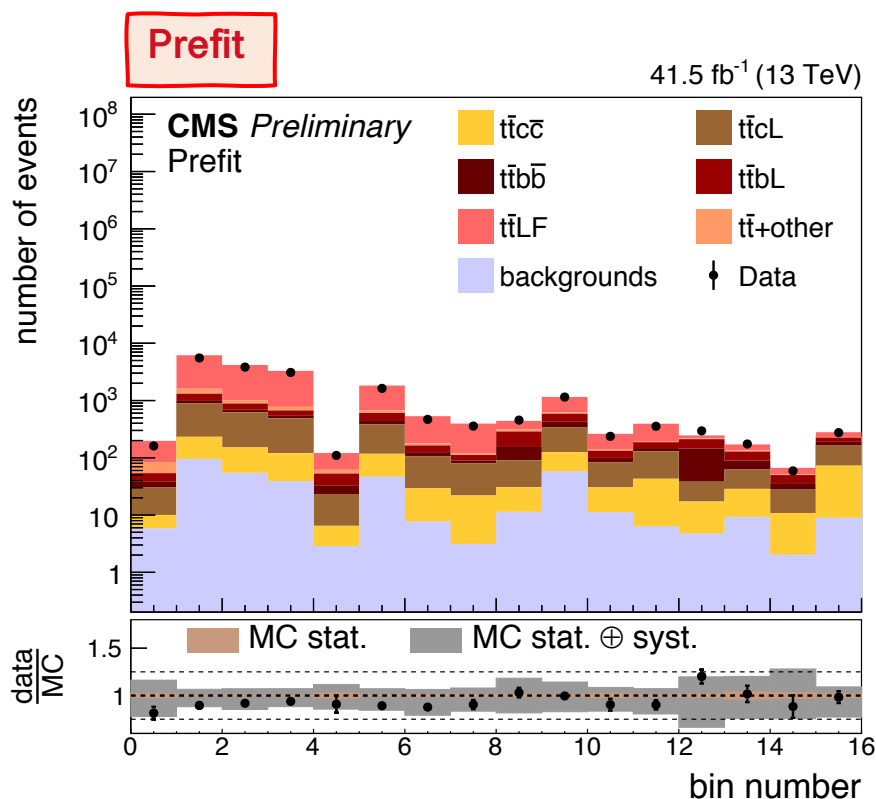


Clear separation between the $t\bar{t}b\bar{b}$, $t\bar{t}c\bar{c}$ and $t\bar{t}LF$ contributions

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**:

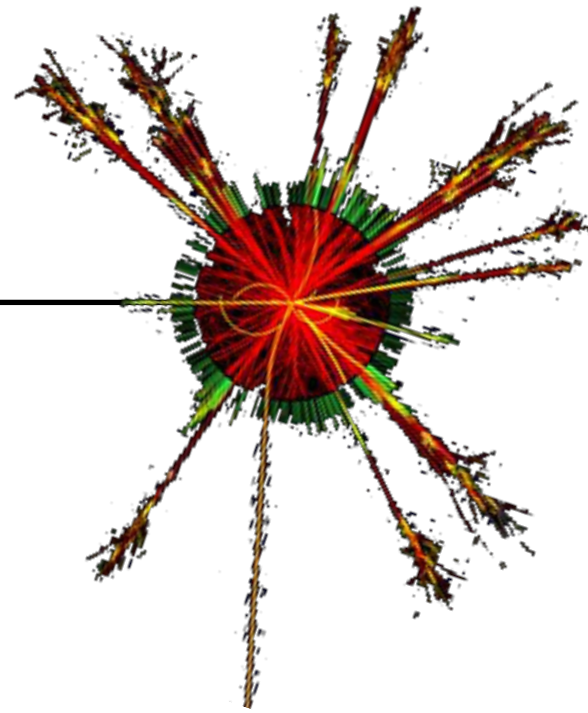
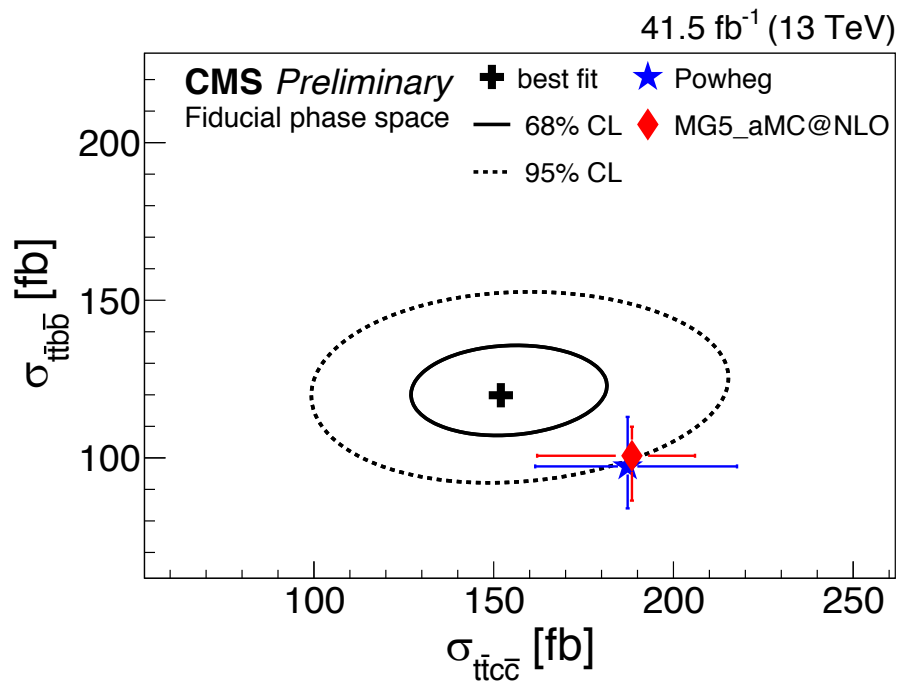
$$\Delta_L^c \otimes \Delta_b^c : [0, 0.45, 0.6, 0.9, 1.0] \otimes [0, 0.3, 0.45, 0.5, 1.0]$$



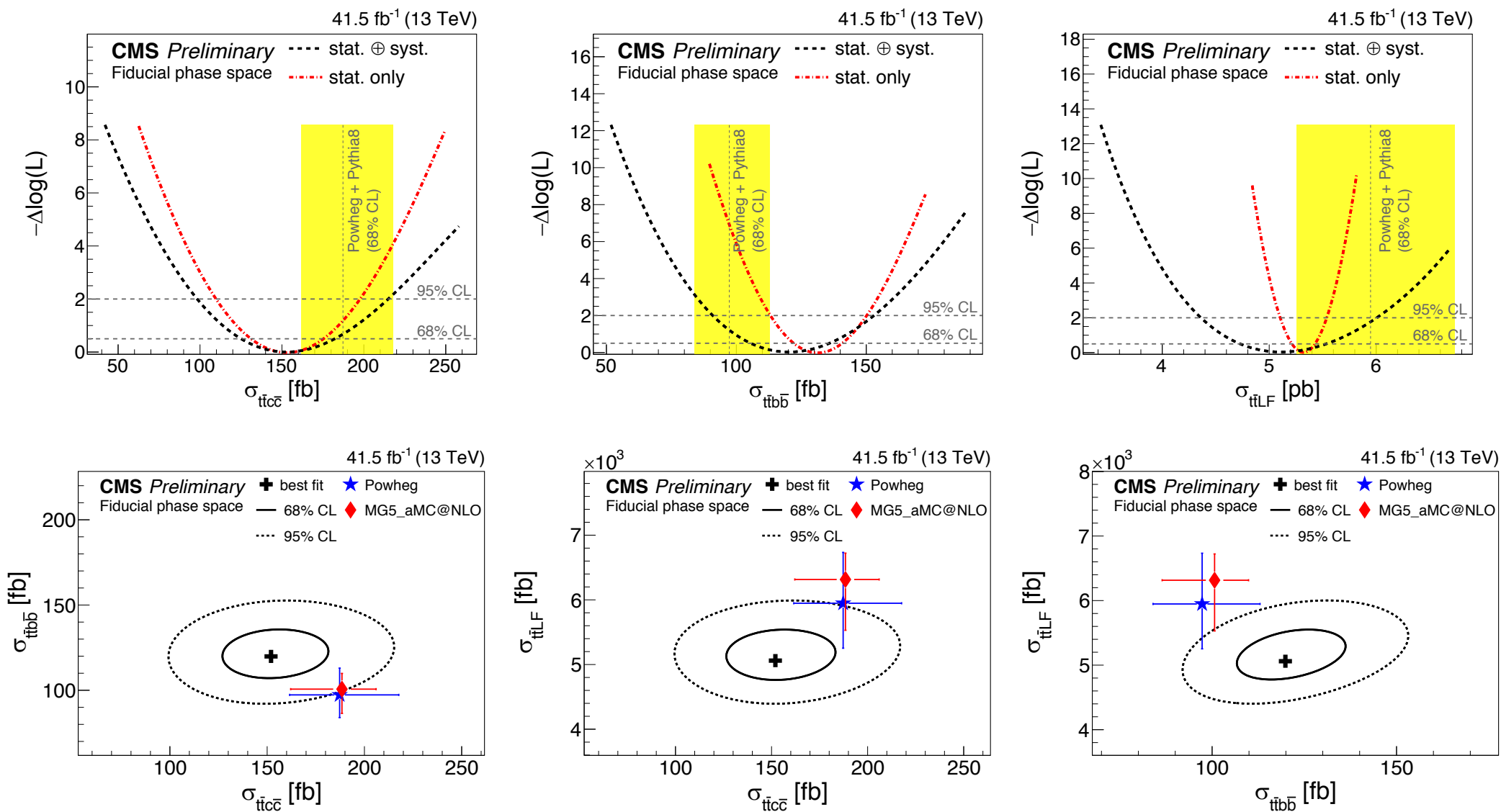
μ represents the **scaling factor of the simulated templates**
 (cross section above or below theory prediction)

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

Results



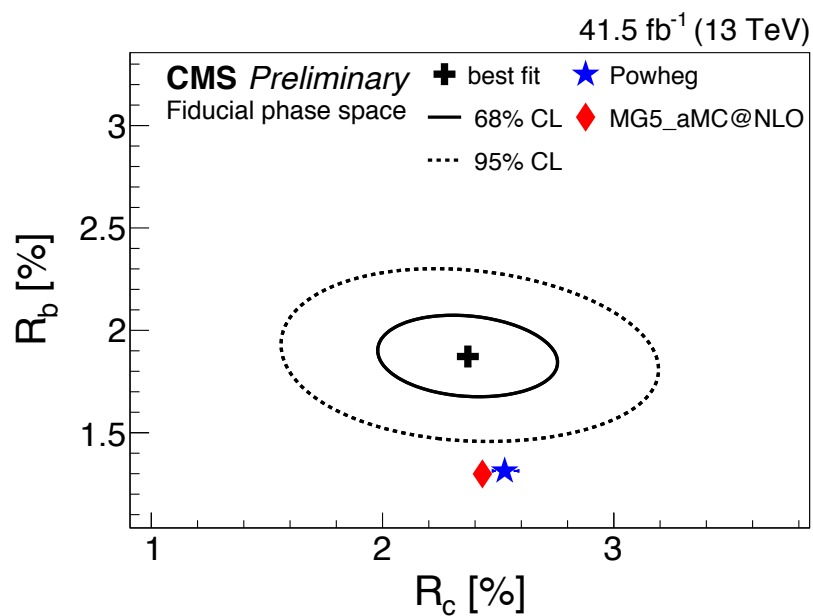
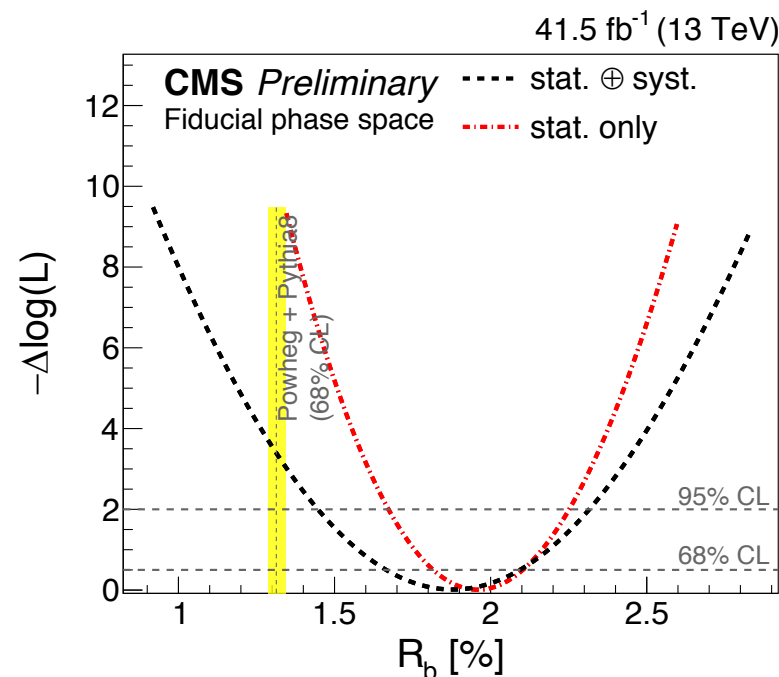
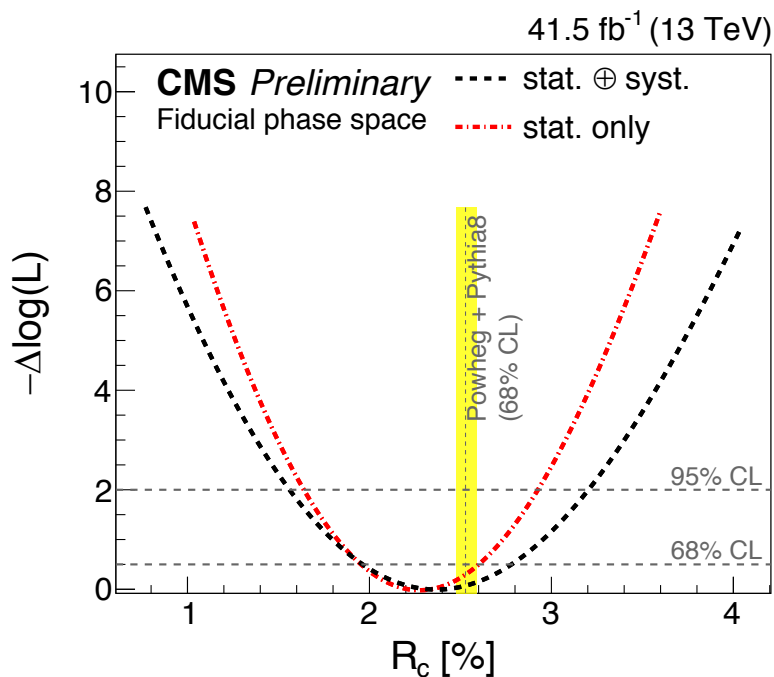
Inclusive cross sections in the fiducial phase space



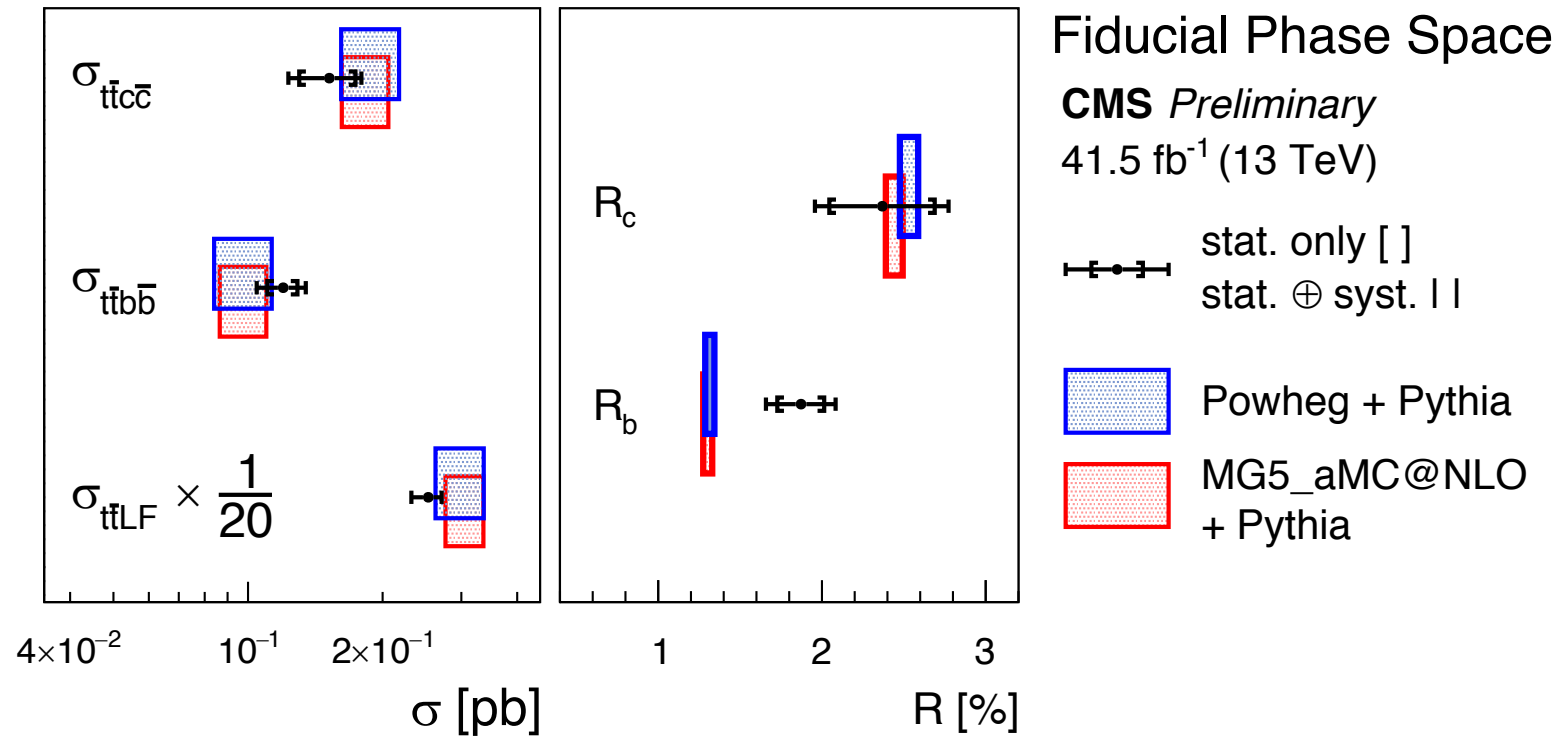
Some tension observed, but **overall agreement within 1-2 standard deviations**
 Dominant uncertainties from **flavour-tagging, JES, and modelling**

Ratios R_c and R_b in the fiducial phase space

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



Summary in the fiducial phase space (visual)



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Fiducial PS:

$$\sigma(t\bar{t} + c\bar{c}) = 152 \pm 22 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 19 \text{ (syst.) fb } (\sim 19\% \text{ uncertainty})$$

$$R_c = 2.37 \pm 0.32 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 0.25 \text{ (syst.) \% } (\sim 17\% \text{ uncertainty})$$

Full PS:

$$\sigma(t\bar{t} + c\bar{c}) = 7.43 \pm 1.07 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 0.95 \text{ (syst.) pb}$$

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Comparison of the CMS $t\bar{t}b\bar{b}$ measurements

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Reference for σ_{theo}

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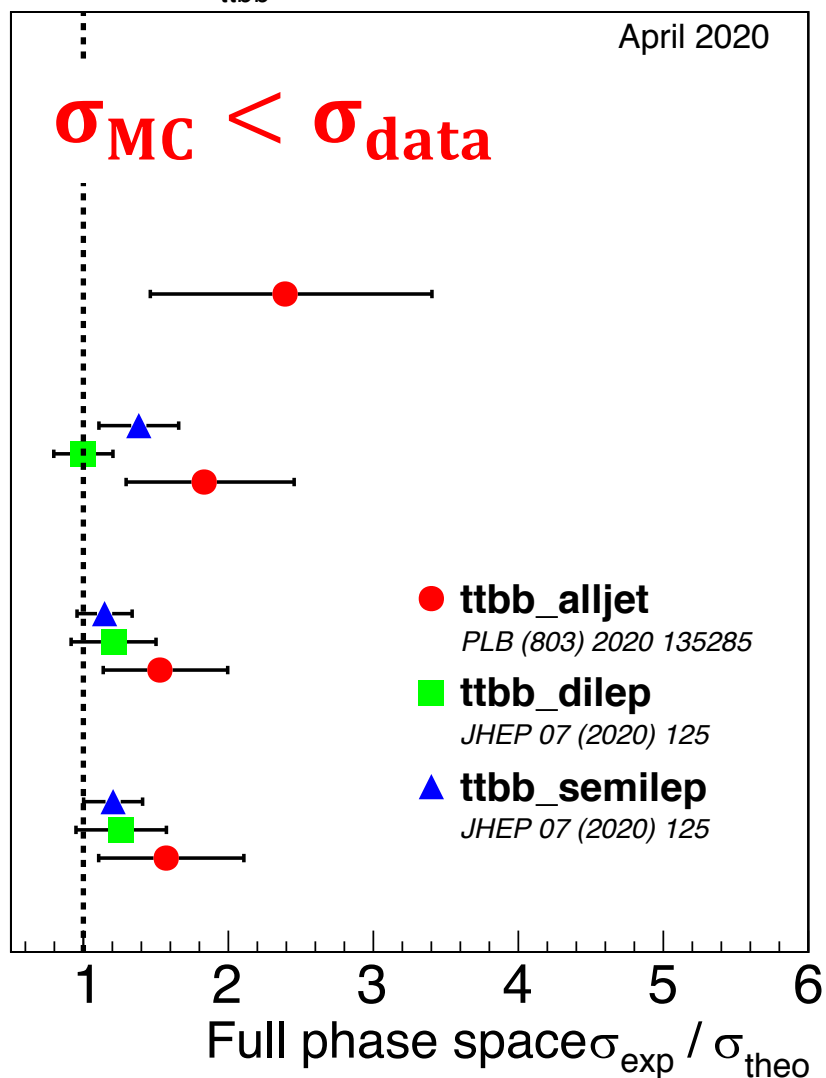
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$\sigma_{t\bar{t}b\bar{b}}$ summary, 35.9 fb⁻¹ (13 TeV)

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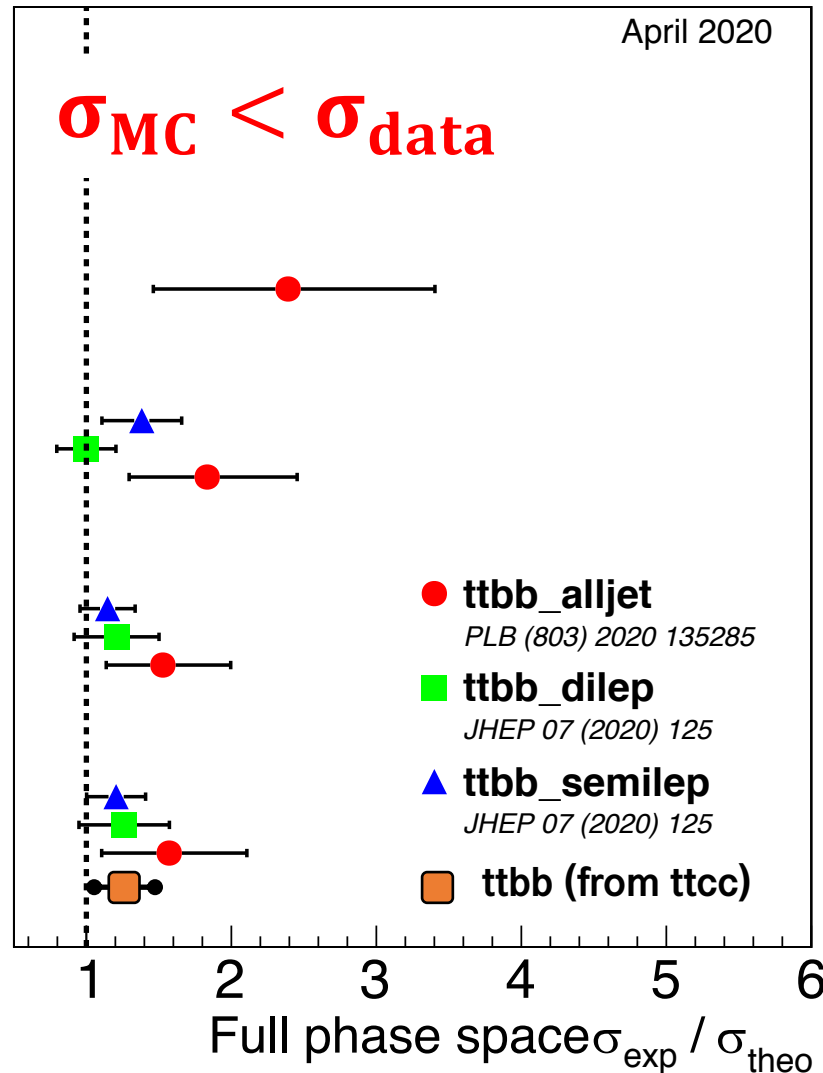
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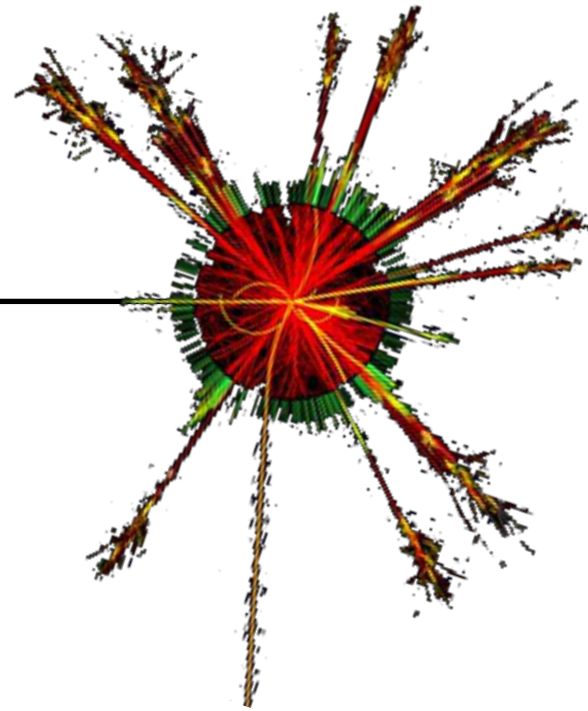
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Conclusion



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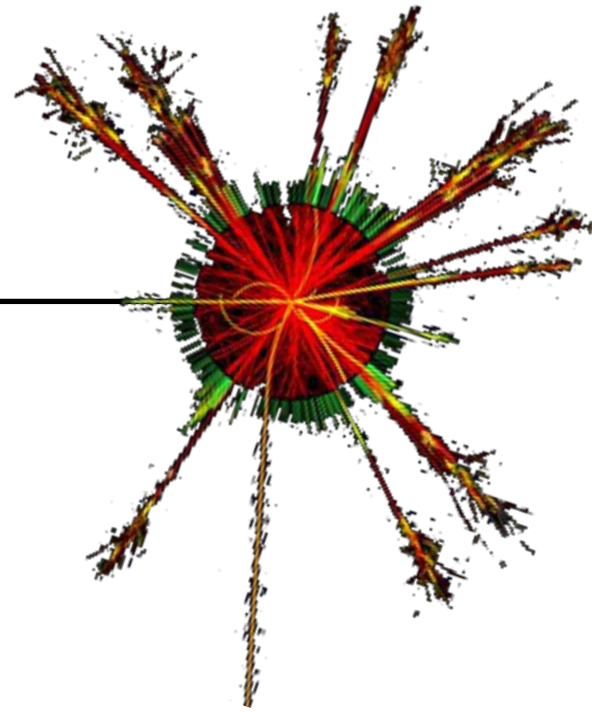
Simultaneous extraction $\sigma_{t\bar{t}c\bar{c}}, \sigma_{t\bar{t}b\bar{b}}, \sigma_{t\bar{t}LF}, R_b = \sigma_{t\bar{t}b\bar{b}}/\sigma_{t\bar{t}jj}$ and $R_c = \sigma_{t\bar{t}c\bar{c}}/\sigma_{t\bar{t}jj}$
 → Fully coherent treatment of different jet flavours in $t\bar{t} + 2$ jets!

Results are consistent with Powheg predictions within $\sim 1 - 2 \sigma$.

Higher observed $\sigma_{t\bar{t}b\bar{b}}$ (or R_b) is consistent with previous $t\bar{t}b\bar{b}$ analyses.

For the first time, we also see that the $t\bar{t}c\bar{c}$ process is slightly overestimated in simulations (but within uncertainties)

Backup



Motivation for measuring $t\bar{t}+HF$

Theoretical modelling

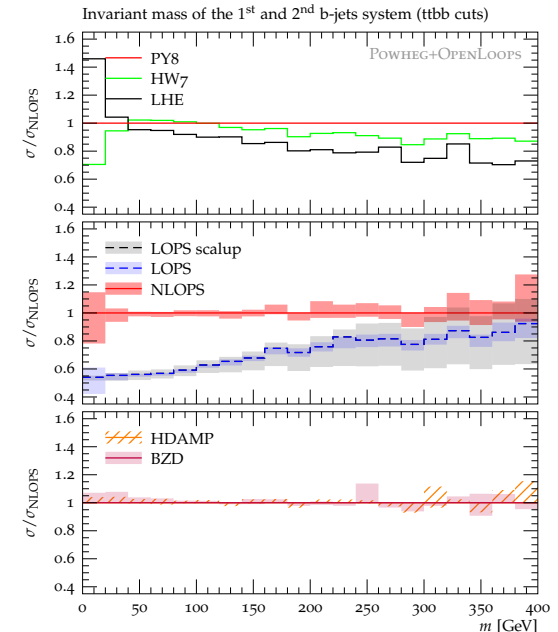
Theory predictions / Simulation of the $t\bar{t}+HF$ final state is highly non-trivial. It deals with very different scales from the top quark mass down to momenta of the relatively soft additional jets

1. Matrix Element vs Parton Shower
2. LO vs NLO (large k-factor, depending on scale choice)
3. Factorization/Renormalization/Shower scales
4. Inclusive $t\bar{t}+jets$ versus separate $t\bar{t}b\bar{b}$ and $t\bar{t}c\bar{c}$ sim.

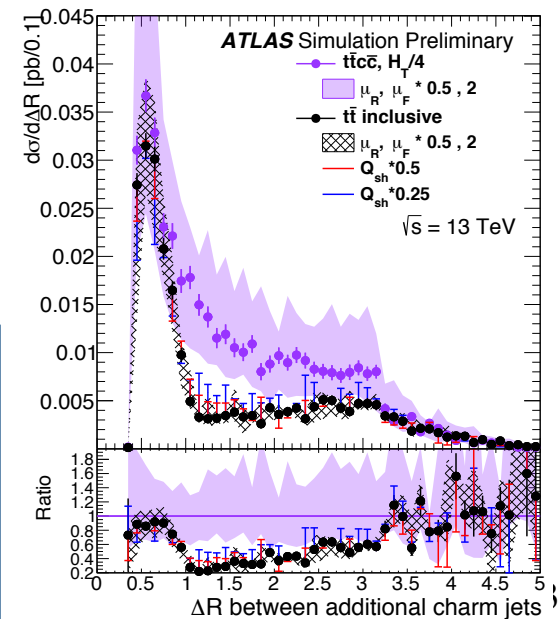
Motivated CMS and ATLAS to measure $t\bar{t}+b\bar{b}$ [arXiv:[1411.5621](#), [1705.10141](#), [2003.06467](#), [1909.05306](#), [1304.6386](#), [1508.06868](#), [1811.12113](#)]

$t\bar{t}c\bar{c}$ has not been measured experimentally!

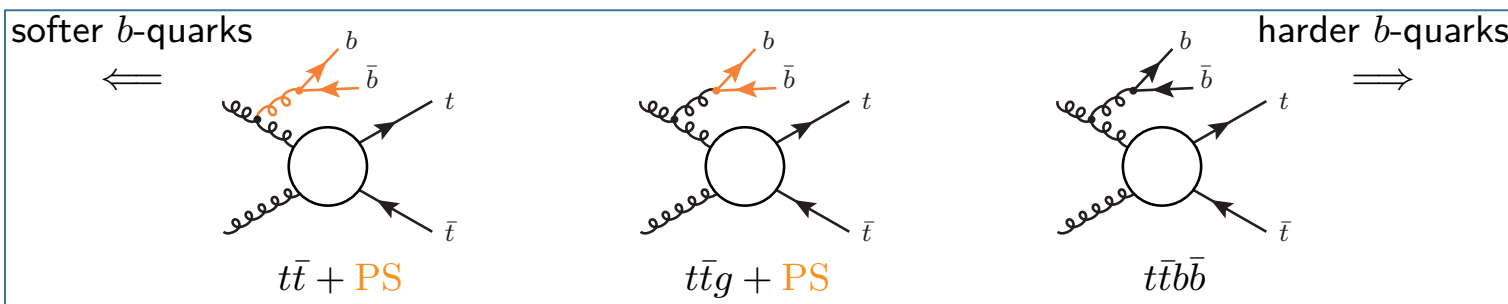
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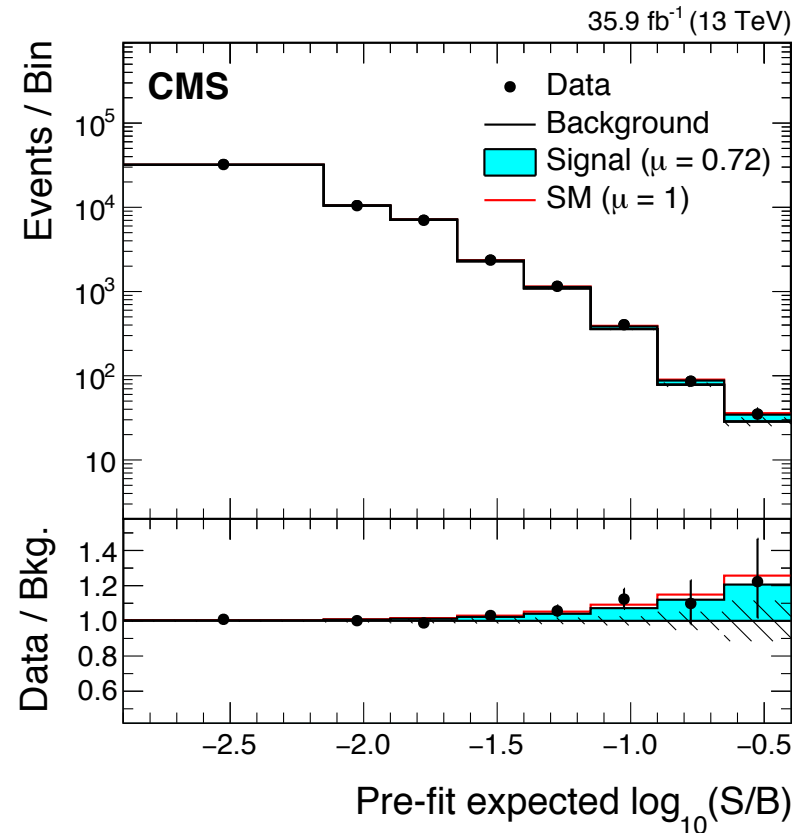
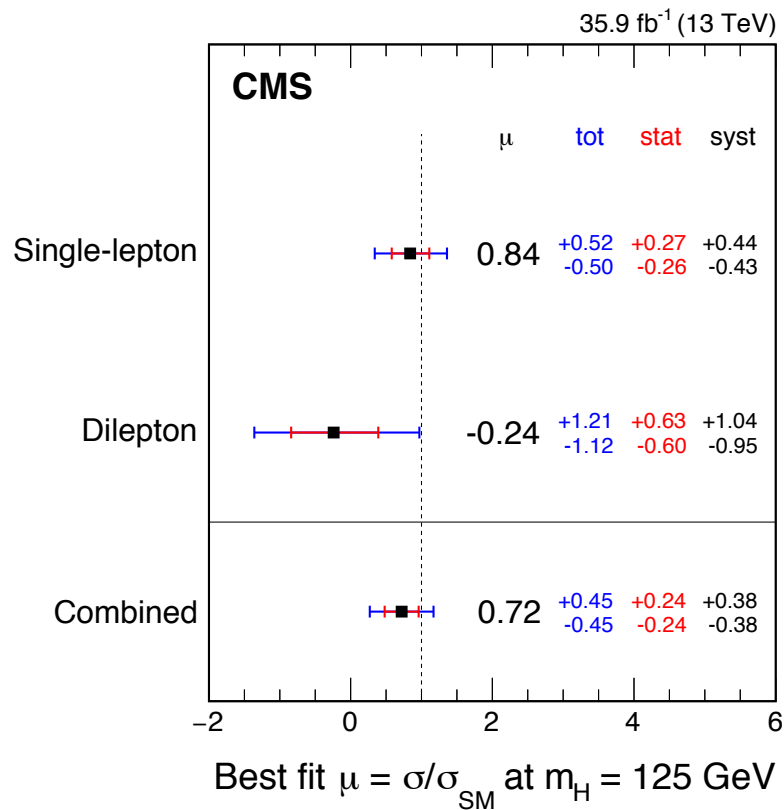
[S. Pozzorini, Theory progress on \$t\bar{t}H\(b\bar{b}\)\$ background, TOP2018 @ Bad Neuenahr, Germany](#)



Motivation for measuring $t\bar{t}+HF$

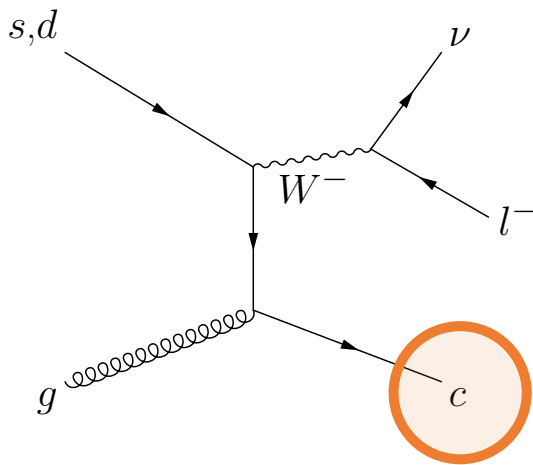
Interplay between Higgs boson and top/bottom quarks

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)



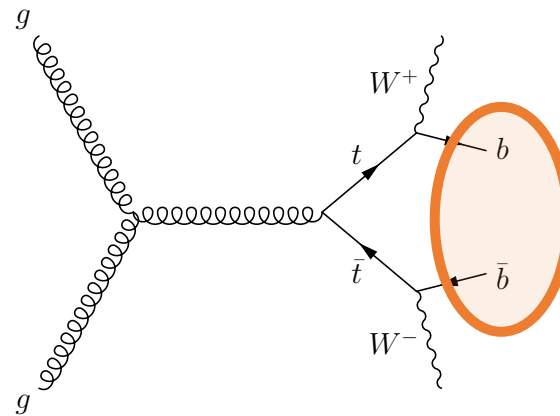
$t\bar{t}H(H \rightarrow b\bar{b})$ suffers from an irreducible background of (gluon-induced) $t\bar{t}b\bar{b}$ and $t\bar{t}c\bar{c}$ (through mistags) events!

W+charm



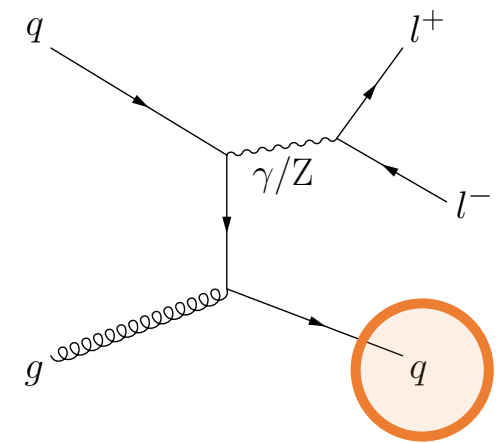
c-enriched (93% pure)
(after OS-SS subtraction)

semi-leptonic $t\bar{t}$



b-enriched (81% pure)

DY + jets



light-enriched (86% pure)

Very good purity in different control regions!

Iterative fitting procedure per (2-dim.) bin, by iterating multiple times over the three control regions \rightarrow 2-dim SF maps
i.e. SF(CvsL, CvsB, flavour)

Comparison to other ttbb analyses

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

PAS-TOP-20-003

+2.5 σ

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

30 GeV

+2.1 σ

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 ± 0.2	1.0 ± 0.2	3.5 ± 0.6
POWHEG (tt) + HERWIG++	0.8 ± 0.2	0.8 ± 0.2	3.0 ± 0.5
MADGRAPH5_aMC@NLO (4FS ttbb)	0.8 ± 0.2	0.8 ± 0.2	2.3 ± 0.7
MADGRAPH5_aMC@NLO (5FS tt+jets, FxFx)	1.0 ± 0.1	1.0 ± 0.1	3.6 ± 0.3

TOP-16-010

Phase space		σ_{ttbb} [pb]	σ_{ttij} [pb]	$\sigma_{\text{ttbb}}/\sigma_{\text{ttij}}$
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 ± 0.009	5.1 ± 0.5	0.014 ± 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 ± 0.4	257 ± 26	0.012 ± 0.001

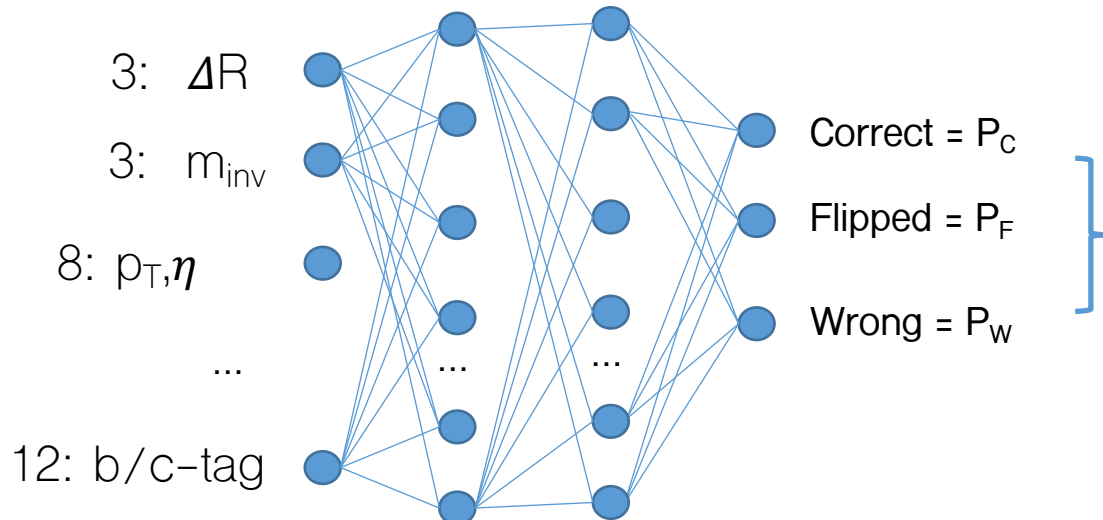
+1.5 σ

Jet-parton matching

Performance and neural network output

- Neural network trained with Keras (TensorFlow backend)
- 26 inputs (Standard Normalization, $\mu=0, \sigma=1$) \rightarrow see backup
- 2 hidden layers with 50 neurons each and ReLu activation
- 10% Dropout in each hidden layer (regularization)
- 3 outputs with SoftMax activation
 - Correctly matched
 - Flipped matching
 - Wrong matching
- Loss function = categorical cross-entropy
- Optimizer = Stochastic Gradient Decent
 - learning rate (init) = 0.001, decay = init / (5*n_epoch), nesterov momentum = 0.8*
- n_epoch = 100, batch_size = 128
- Weights added after 30 epochs (ttbb/tcc = 20, ttbL = 10, ttcL = 5, ttLL = 1)

jet p_T	jet η	b -tag	CvsL c -tag	CvsB c -tag	m_{inv}	ΔR
$p_T(b_t)$	$\eta(b_t)$	BvsAll(b_t)	CvsL(b_t)	CvsB(b_t)	$m_{inv}(b_t, \ell^+)$	$\Delta R(b_t, \ell^+)$
$p_T(b_{\bar{t}})$	$\eta(b_{\bar{t}})$	BvsAll($b_{\bar{t}})$	CvsL($b_{\bar{t}})$	CvsB($b_{\bar{t}})$	$m_{inv}(b_{\bar{t}}, \ell^-)$	$\Delta R(b_{\bar{t}}, \ell^-)$
$p_T(j_1)$	$\eta(j_1)$	BvsAll(j_1)	CvsL(j_1)	CvsB(j_1)	$m_{inv}(j_1, j_2)$	$\Delta R(j_1, j_2)$
$p_T(j_2)$	$\eta(j_2)$	BvsAll(j_2)	CvsL(j_2)	CvsB(j_2)		



$$\text{NN matching output} = \max\left(\frac{P_C}{P_C + P_W}, \frac{P_F}{P_F + P_W}\right)$$

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 ϵ .

$\bar{t}\bar{t}cL$ ($\bar{t}\bar{t}bL$ / $\bar{t}\bar{t}$ 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 ϵ (%)	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} .

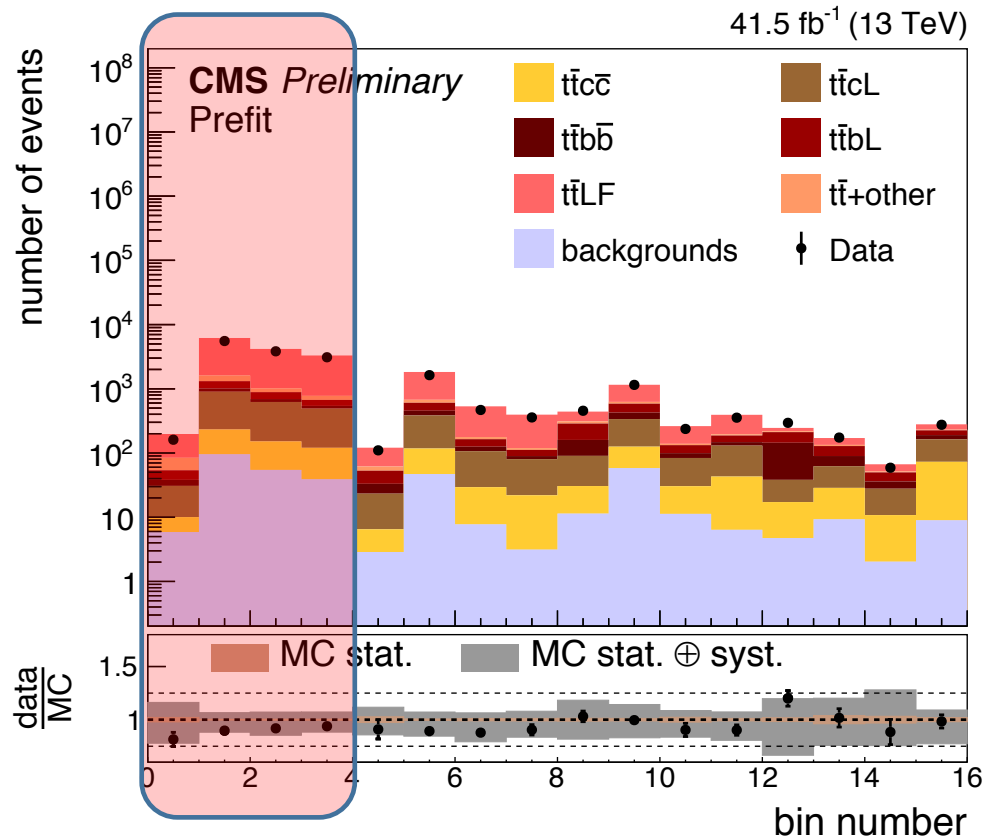
Template fit using NN discriminator

Unrolling the 2-dim. templates into 1-dim. histograms

Unrolling 2D histogram into 1D

4x4 binning results in 16 bins with varying flavor composition

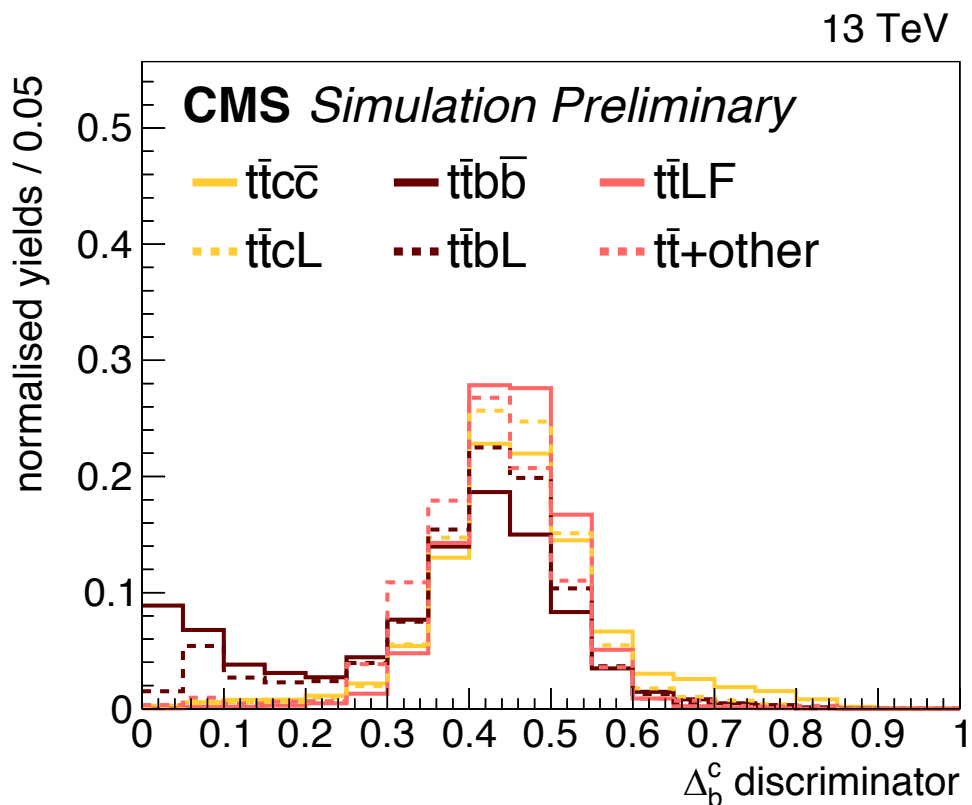
$$\Delta_L^c \otimes \Delta_b^c : [0, 0.45, 0.6, 0.9, 1.0] \otimes [0, 0.3, 0.45, 0.5, 1.0]$$



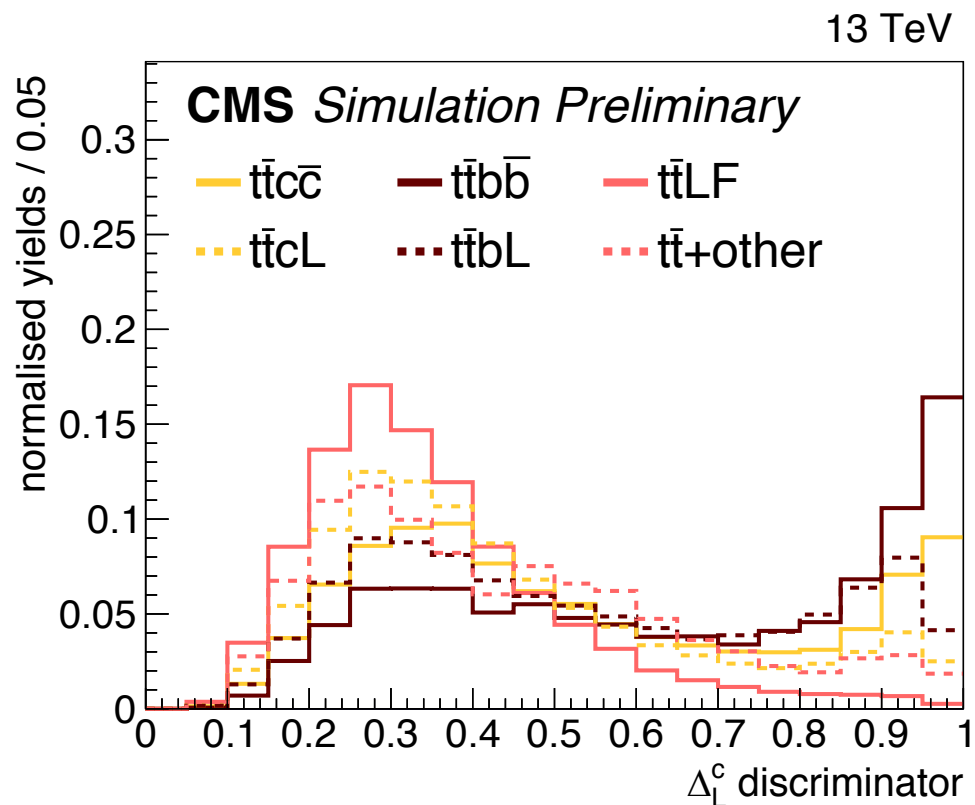
Bins 1 – 4 : $\Delta_L^c \in [0, 0.45]$, and increasing bins in Δ_b^c

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

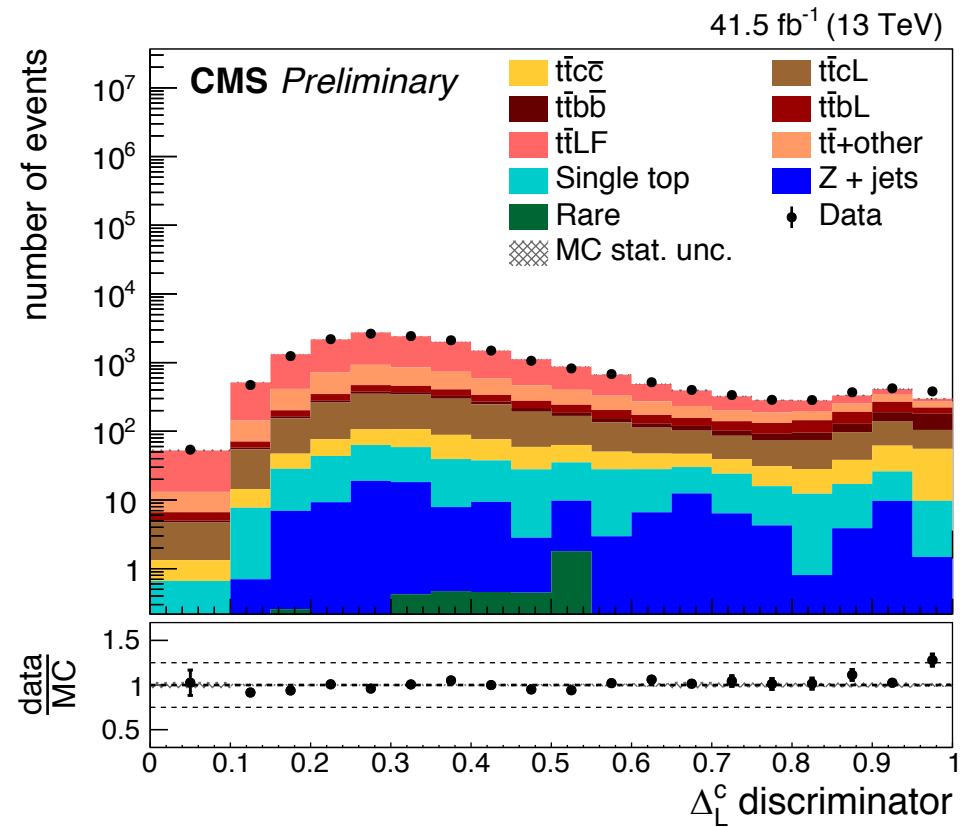
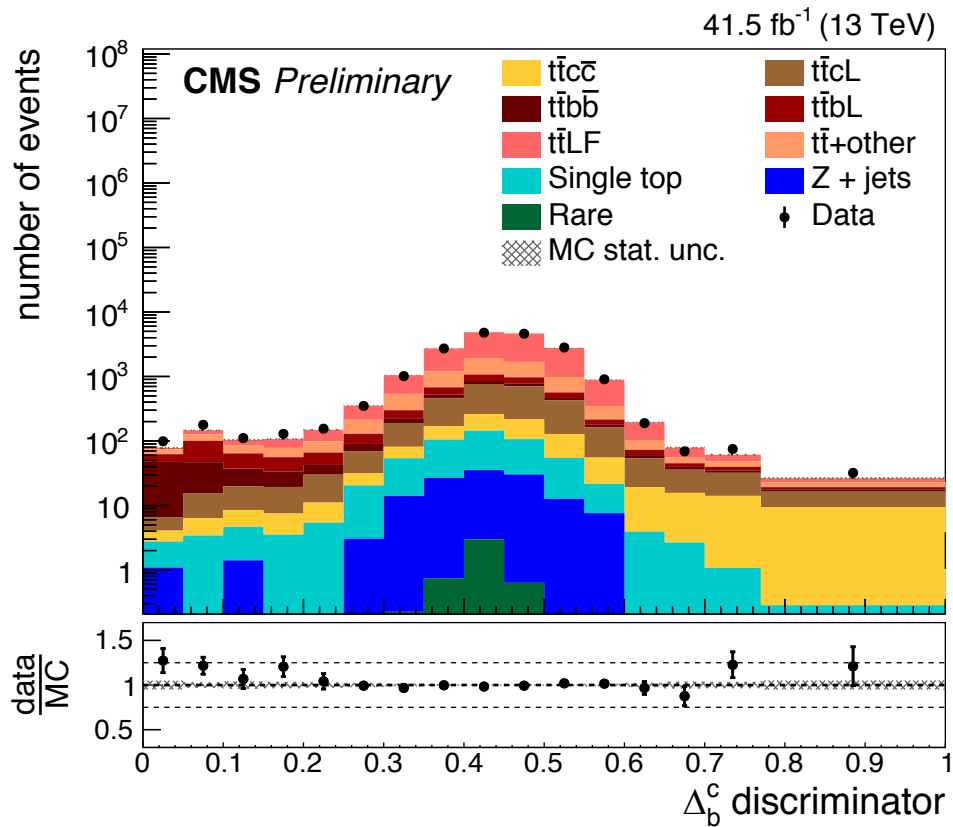


Constructed to separate $t\bar{t}c\bar{c}$ from $t\bar{t}LF$ events

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

Template fit using NN discriminator

Comparison between data and simulation (prefit)



Template fit using NN discriminator

Impact of the systematic uncertainties on parameters of interest

numbers in %	fiducial phase space				
	$\Delta\sigma_{t\bar{t}c\bar{c}}$	$\Delta\sigma_{t\bar{t}b\bar{b}}$	$\Delta\sigma_{t\bar{t}LF}$	ΔR_c	ΔR_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
μ_R and μ_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 α_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
$t\bar{t}bL(cL)/t\bar{t}b\bar{b}(c\bar{c})$ and $t\bar{t}+other/t\bar{t}LF$	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**

Template fit using NN discriminator

Systematic uncertainties

Normalization only:

- Luminosity (2.3%)
- background normalization (25%)
- Efficiency (theoretical) (2%)
- Fixed ratios from MC
(ttbL/ttbb, ttCL/ttcc, tt other/ttLF)
- Bin-by-bin statistical uncertainty (MC)

These experimental uncertainties **affect the overall efficiency** from the fiducial to the reconstructed phase space, but do not change the shapes of the simulated templates.

Shape + normalization:

- JES, JER
- lepton ID/iso/reco/trigger
- Pileup
- c-tagging calibration

On top of affecting the selection efficiency, these experimental uncertainties **also change the shapes of the templates.**

Shape only:

- μ_R, μ_F in ME generator
- ISR+FSR: α_s in PS
- Parton distribution function
- Matching between ME/PS
- Underlying event Tune
- B-Fragmentation (not considered for now)**

For these theoretical uncertainties, **only the change in shape of the templates** and their impact on the **acceptance** is considered in the extraction of the results. Their impact on the yield is quoted as an uncertainty on the theory prediction to which the measurement is compared.

Template fit using NN discriminator

Fits to extract inclusive cross sections and their ratios

- Two fits, one to extract the inclusive cross sections, one to extract their ratios
- Systematic uncertainties as nuisance parameters in the fit
- Fit is performed simultaneously in the $ee/\mu\mu$ and $e\mu$ channels
- $t\bar{t}cL$ ($t\bar{t}bL$ / $t\bar{t}$ other) scaled with the same factor as $t\bar{t}c\bar{c}$ ($t\bar{t}b\bar{b}$ / $t\bar{t}LF$), i.e. ratio fixed to MC prediction (with uncertainties)
- Background contribution (<5%) is fixed at MC prediction (with 25% uncertainty)

Absolute cross sections

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

$$f(\sigma_{t\bar{t}c\bar{c}}^{\text{vis}}, \sigma_{t\bar{t}b\bar{b}}^{\text{vis}}, \sigma_{t\bar{t}LF}^{\text{vis}}) = \mathcal{L}^{\text{int}} \cdot \left\{ \begin{aligned} &\sigma_{t\bar{t}c\bar{c}}^{\text{vis}} \cdot \epsilon_{t\bar{t}c\bar{c}} \cdot \left(H_{t\bar{t}c\bar{c}}^{\text{norm}} + \frac{N_{t\bar{t}cL}^{\text{MC}}}{N_{t\bar{t}c\bar{c}}^{\text{MC}}} \cdot H_{t\bar{t}cL}^{\text{norm}} \right) \\ &+ \sigma_{t\bar{t}b\bar{b}}^{\text{vis}} \cdot \epsilon_{t\bar{t}b\bar{b}} \cdot \left(H_{t\bar{t}b\bar{b}}^{\text{norm}} + \frac{N_{t\bar{t}bL}^{\text{MC}}}{N_{t\bar{t}b\bar{b}}^{\text{MC}}} \cdot H_{t\bar{t}bL}^{\text{norm}} \right) \\ &+ \sigma_{t\bar{t}LF}^{\text{vis}} \cdot \epsilon_{t\bar{t}LF} \cdot \left(H_{t\bar{t}LF}^{\text{norm}} + \frac{N_{t\bar{t}+Other}^{\text{MC}}}{N_{t\bar{t}LF}^{\text{MC}}} \cdot H_{t\bar{t}+Other}^{\text{norm}} \right) \\ &+ \sigma_{\text{DY}} \cdot H_{\text{DY}}^{\text{norm}} + \sigma_{\text{ST}} \cdot H_{\text{ST}}^{\text{norm}} + \sigma_{\text{Rare}} \cdot H_{\text{Rare}}^{\text{norm}} \end{aligned} \right\}$$

Ratios

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

$$f(\sigma_{t\bar{t}jj}^{\text{vis}}, R_c, R_b) = \mathcal{L}^{\text{int}} \cdot \sigma_{t\bar{t}jj}^{\text{vis}} \cdot \left\{ \begin{aligned} &R_c \cdot \epsilon_{t\bar{t}c\bar{c}} \cdot \left(H_{t\bar{t}c\bar{c}}^{\text{norm}} + \frac{N_{t\bar{t}cL}^{\text{MC}}}{N_{t\bar{t}c\bar{c}}^{\text{MC}}} \cdot H_{t\bar{t}cL}^{\text{norm}} \right) \\ &+ R_b \cdot \epsilon_{t\bar{t}b\bar{b}} \cdot \left(H_{t\bar{t}b\bar{b}}^{\text{norm}} + \frac{N_{t\bar{t}bL}^{\text{MC}}}{N_{t\bar{t}b\bar{b}}^{\text{MC}}} \cdot H_{t\bar{t}bL}^{\text{norm}} \right) \\ &+ (1 - R_c - R_{cL} - R_b - R_{bL}) \cdot \epsilon_{t\bar{t}LF} \cdot \left(H_{t\bar{t}LF}^{\text{norm}} + \frac{N_{t\bar{t}+Other}^{\text{MC}}}{N_{t\bar{t}LF}^{\text{MC}}} \cdot H_{t\bar{t}+Other}^{\text{norm}} \right) \\ &+ \mathcal{L}^{\text{int}} \cdot \{ \sigma_{\text{DY}} \cdot H_{\text{DY}}^{\text{norm}} + \sigma_{\text{ST}} \cdot H_{\text{ST}}^{\text{norm}} + \sigma_{\text{Rare}} \cdot H_{\text{Rare}}^{\text{norm}} \} \end{aligned} \right\}$$

with $\begin{cases} R_{cL} = R_c \cdot \left(\frac{N_{t\bar{t}cL}^{\text{MC}} \epsilon_{t\bar{t}cL}}{N_{t\bar{t}c\bar{c}}^{\text{MC}} \epsilon_{t\bar{t}c\bar{c}}} \right) \\ R_{bL} = R_b \cdot \left(\frac{N_{t\bar{t}bL}^{\text{MC}} \epsilon_{t\bar{t}bL}}{N_{t\bar{t}b\bar{b}}^{\text{MC}} \epsilon_{t\bar{t}b\bar{b}}} \right) \end{cases}$

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

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Template fit using NN discriminator

Defining the neural network

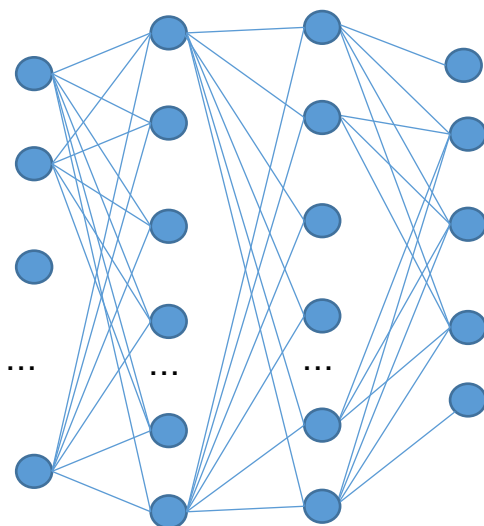
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- 1 hidden layer with 30 neurons and ReLu activation
- 10% Dropout in hidden layer (regularization)
- 5 outputs with SoftMax activation
- Loss function = categorical cross-entropy
- Optimizer = Stochastic Gradient Decent
*learning rate (init) = 0.001, decay = init / (5*n_epoch), nesterov momentum = 0.8*
- n_epoch = 100, batch_size = 128

CvsL add. Jets

CvsB add. Jets

Parton match NN

$\Delta R(\text{add. Jets})$



P(ttcc)

P(ttcL)

P(ttbb)

P(ttL)

P(ttLF)

$$\Delta_b^c = \frac{P(t\bar{t}c\bar{c})}{P(t\bar{t}c\bar{c}) + P(t\bar{t}b\bar{b})}$$
$$\Delta_L^c = \frac{P(t\bar{t}c\bar{c})}{P(t\bar{t}c\bar{c}) + P(t\bar{t}LF)}$$

Numerical values + extrapolation to the full phase space

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