

All-hadronic $a\tau$ search for SUSY with 2.2/fb of 13TeV data at CMS

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Introduction

- SUSY solves many limitations of the SM

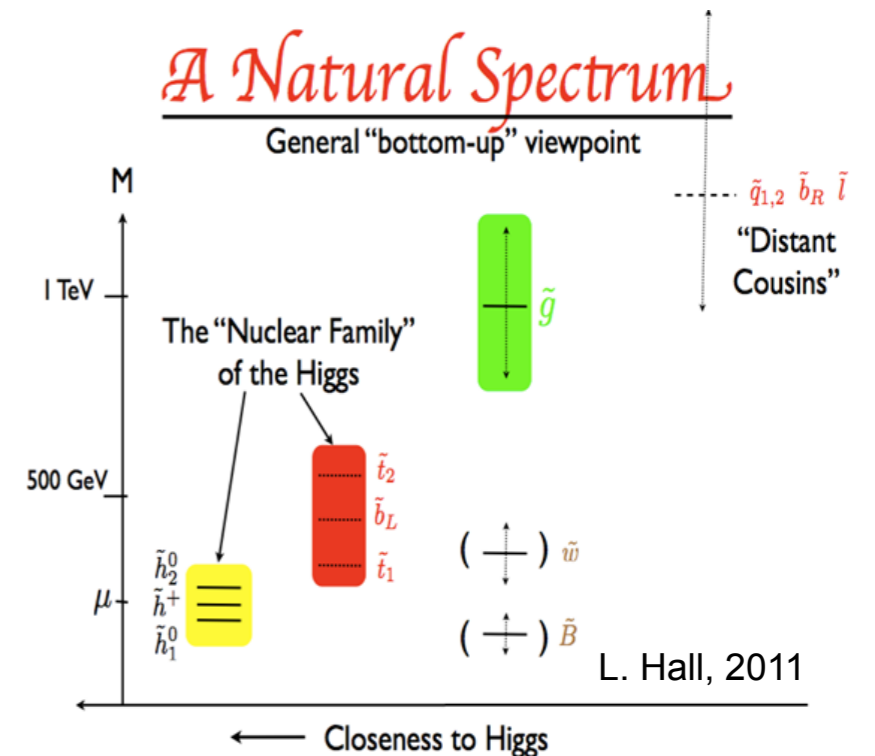
- Hierarchy problem → TeV-scale superpartners
- Dark Matter → neutralino LSP is a possible candidate (assuming R parity)
- Grand unification → modified running of gauge couplings

- LHC @ 13 TeV provides perfect conditions for natural SUSY discovery!

- Present **CMS a_T search**: all-hadronic jets + MET search

- Stringent new limits with 2.2/fb of data at 13 TeV on wide range of SUSY (+DM) models

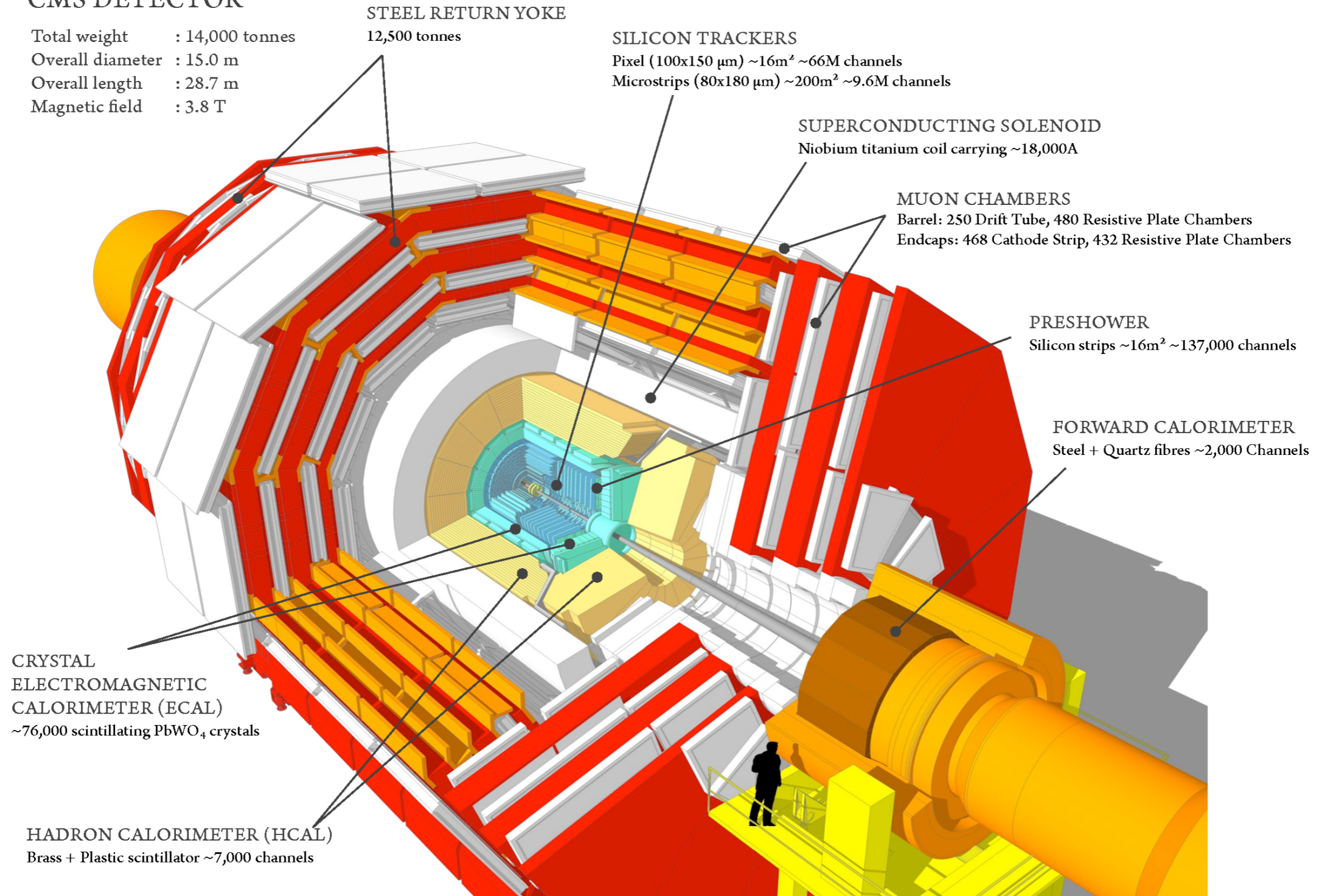
- Show interpretations for two gluino simplified models



The CMS detector

CMS DETECTOR

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

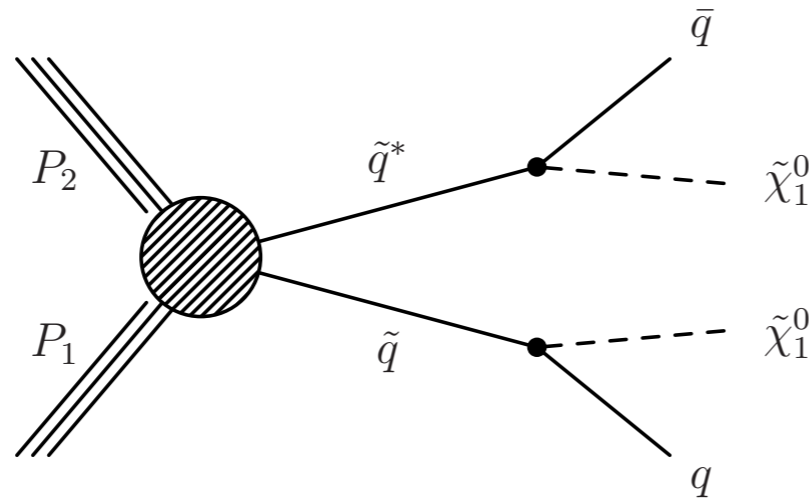


Hadronic SUSY signatures

H_T = total jet energy

MH_T = 'missing' momentum from jets

Uncompressed (large mass splittings)



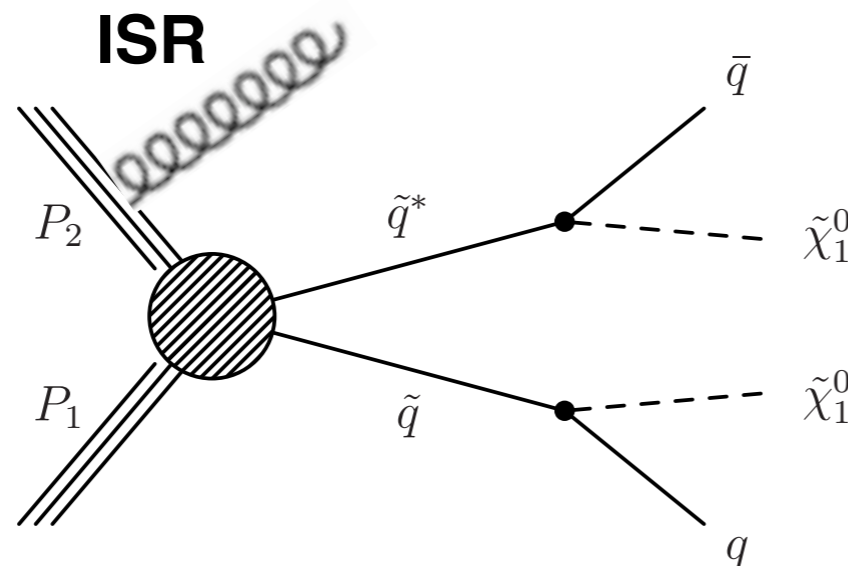
H_T :

$$m_{\tilde{q}} - m_{\tilde{\chi}_1^0}$$

MH_T : + jets

$$p_{T_{\tilde{\chi}_1^0}}$$

Compressed (small mass splittings)



H_T :

$p_T(ISR) \rightarrow$ softer

MH_T :

+ jets

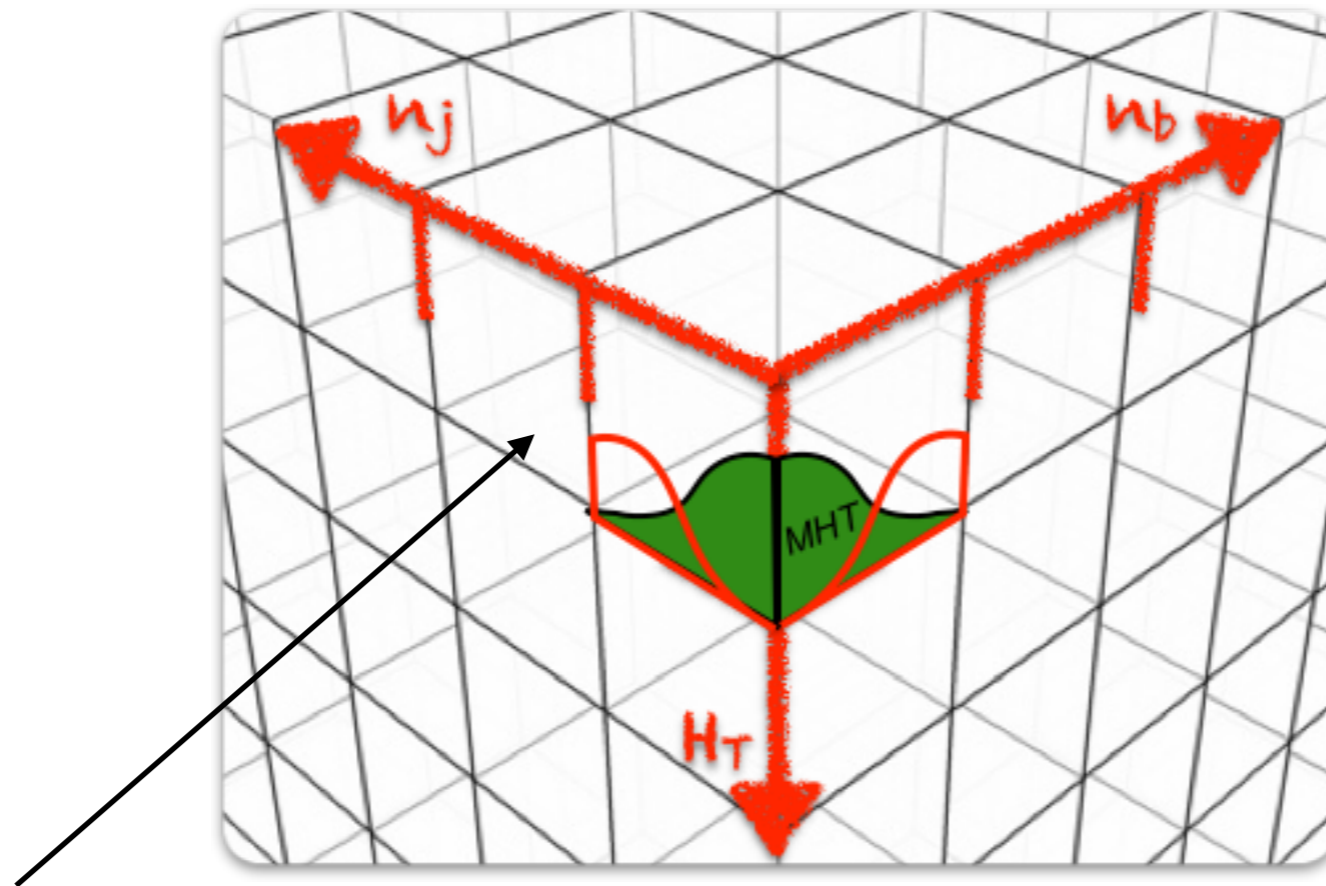
$$p_{T_{\tilde{\chi}_1^0}}$$

**+ b jets from 3rd generation decays
(lightest squarks for natural SUSY)**

Analysis strategy

- Reject electroweak backgrounds with lepton/photon veto - all hadronic jets + ME_{τ} final state
- Maximise sensitivity by binning in $n_{\text{jet}}, n_b, H_{\tau}, MH_{\tau}$
- Two key variables: α_{τ} and $\Delta\phi^*$ used to reduce dominant QCD background to negligible level
 - Additional cleaning cuts applied (e.g. $MH_{\tau}/ME_{\tau} < 1.25$) - see backup for full selection
 - Residual QCD measured in data (see backup and added in likelihood)
- Data driven estimates of remaining ewk backgrounds in signal region from several control samples

Control region prediction



+ Split into symmetric, asymmetric and monojet topologies based on second jet p_T ($> 100, 40 - 100, < 40$ GeV)

Boost sensitivity for softer signal models

Control region binned identically in H_T, n_{jet}, n_b for prediction of ewk backgrounds: $Z \rightarrow \nu\nu$ (+jets), tt (+jets) + W (+jets) + residual

$$N_{\text{pred}}^{\text{signal}}(n_{\text{jet}}, n_b, H_T) = \frac{N_{\text{MC}}^{\text{signal}}(n_{\text{jet}}, n_b, H_T)}{N_{\text{MC}}^{\text{control}}(n_{\text{jet}}, n_b, H_T)} \times N_{\text{obs}}^{\text{control}}(n_{\text{jet}}, n_b, H_T)$$

transfer factor

X systematic terms

Transfer factor systematic summary

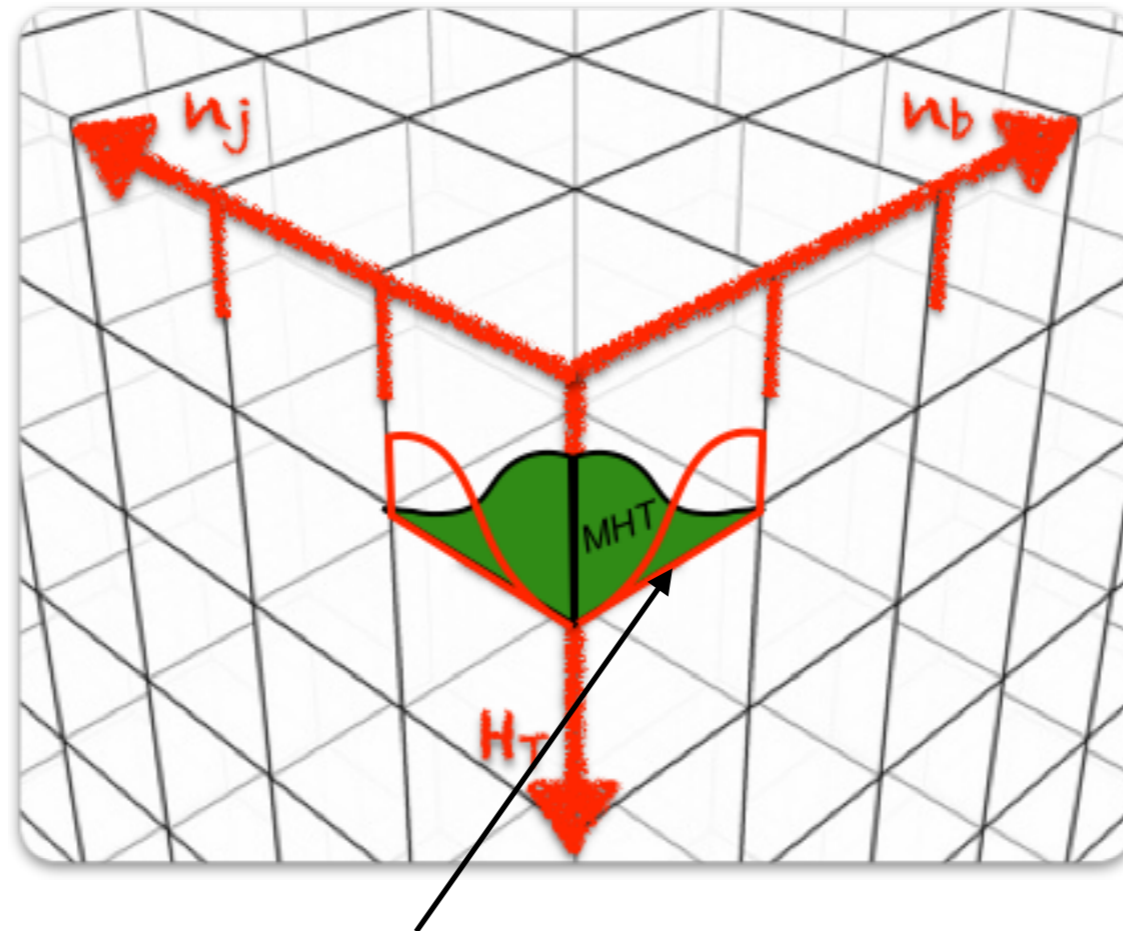
Source	Method	Uncertainty on transfer factor			
		$\mu \rightarrow Z_{inv}$	$\mu\mu \rightarrow Z_{inv}$	$\gamma \rightarrow Z_{inv}$	$\mu \rightarrow tt+W$
JEC	variation of JECs	< 15%	< 10%	< 15%	< 15%
b-tag	variation of b-tag SFs	< 5%	< 2%	< 2%	< 5%
PU	variation of min. bias xs	< 6%	< 4%	< 3%	< 10%
Top p_T	variation of top p_T weights	< 20%	< 4%	-	< 5%
Lepton ID/iso/ trigger	variation of lepton SFs	-	-	-	~3%
W polarisation	$\mu^+ \rightarrow \mu^-$ closure test	5-10%	-	-	5-50%
$\alpha_T/\Delta\phi^*$ extrapolation	α_T closure test	5-80%	50-80%	-	5-80%
W/Z ratio	$\mu \rightarrow \mu\mu$ closure test	10-30%	-	-	-
Z/g ratio	$g \rightarrow \mu\mu$ closure test	-	-	10-30%	-
tt/W admixture	0 \rightarrow 1 b-tag closure test	-	-	-	10-100%

Fully correlated

Uncorrelated across H_T /jet top. (sym/asym)

MH_T dimension

MH_T binning provides additional separation between SUSY and Ewk backgrounds for a range of models



Use MH_T dimension **binned** in H_T (+n_j) → **negates the effect of missing higher order corrections** that otherwise bias Data/MC agreement

MH_T dimension probes only the **kinematics** of events fixed at a certain scale
- predict MH_T distribution with MC (normalisation set in data)

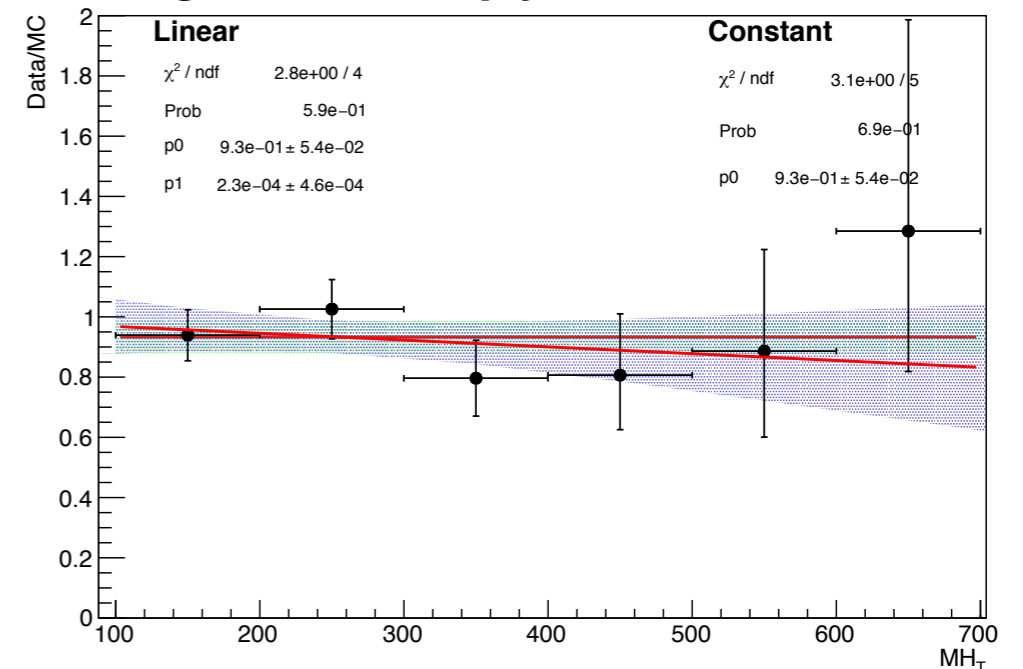
Fully validated using control regions (next slide)

MH_T dimension

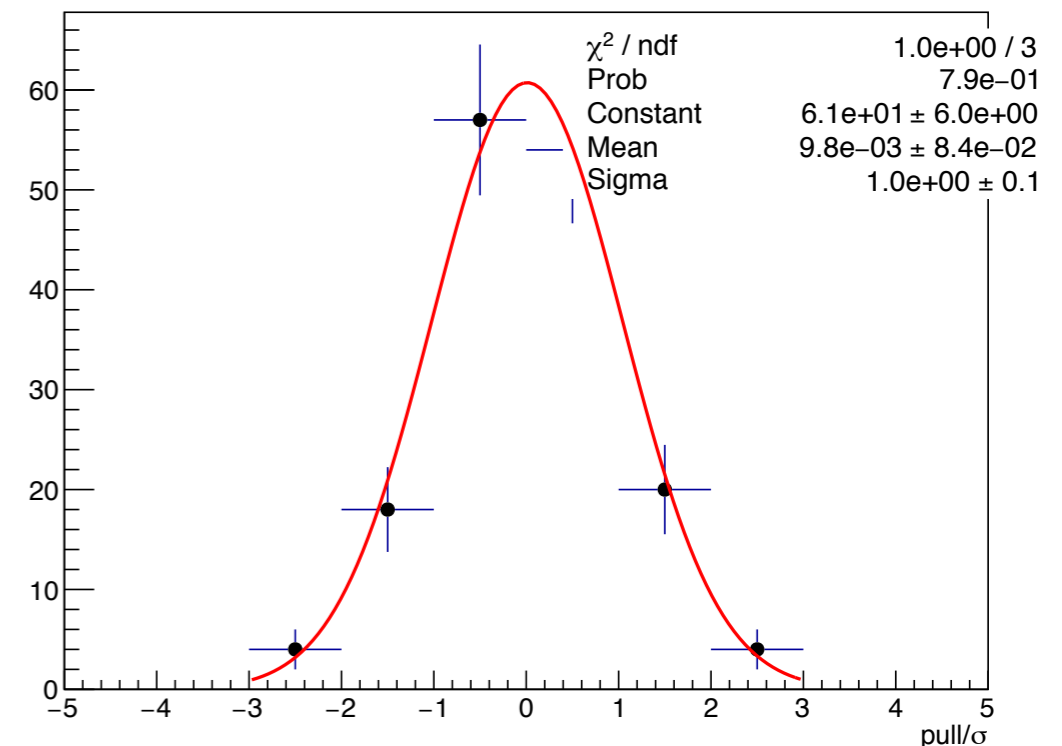
- Nominal templates taken directly from MC (normalisation from control regions)
- In each (n_{jet}, n_b, H_T) bin, the data/MC ratio is validated in multiple control regions and used to derive uncertainties in templates
- Fit linear orthogonal polynomial and check linear term is compatible with 0 over all bins
 - Linear function with intercept (p₀ - norm changing) and slope (p₁ - shape changing) components decorrelated
 - p₁ uncertainty and best fit value are propagated to derive alternative templates for systematics
- Validated with full 13 TeV and 8 TeV datasets

$$f(x) = p_0 + (x - \langle x \rangle) \times p_1$$

Single Mu 0b eq4j H_T 600-800



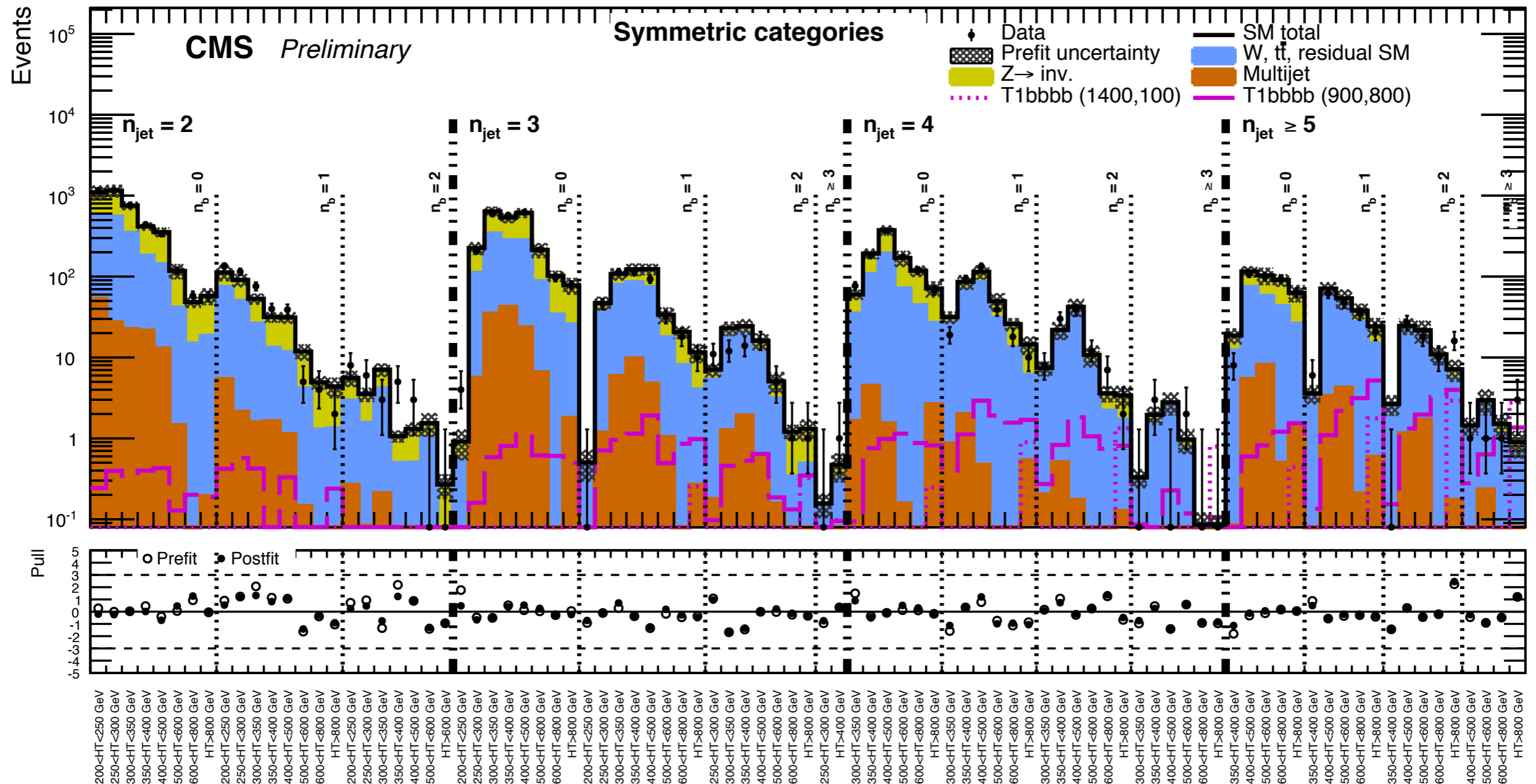
Example validation in control region



Pull distribution (p₁/p_{1,Err}) showing linear parameter consistent with 0

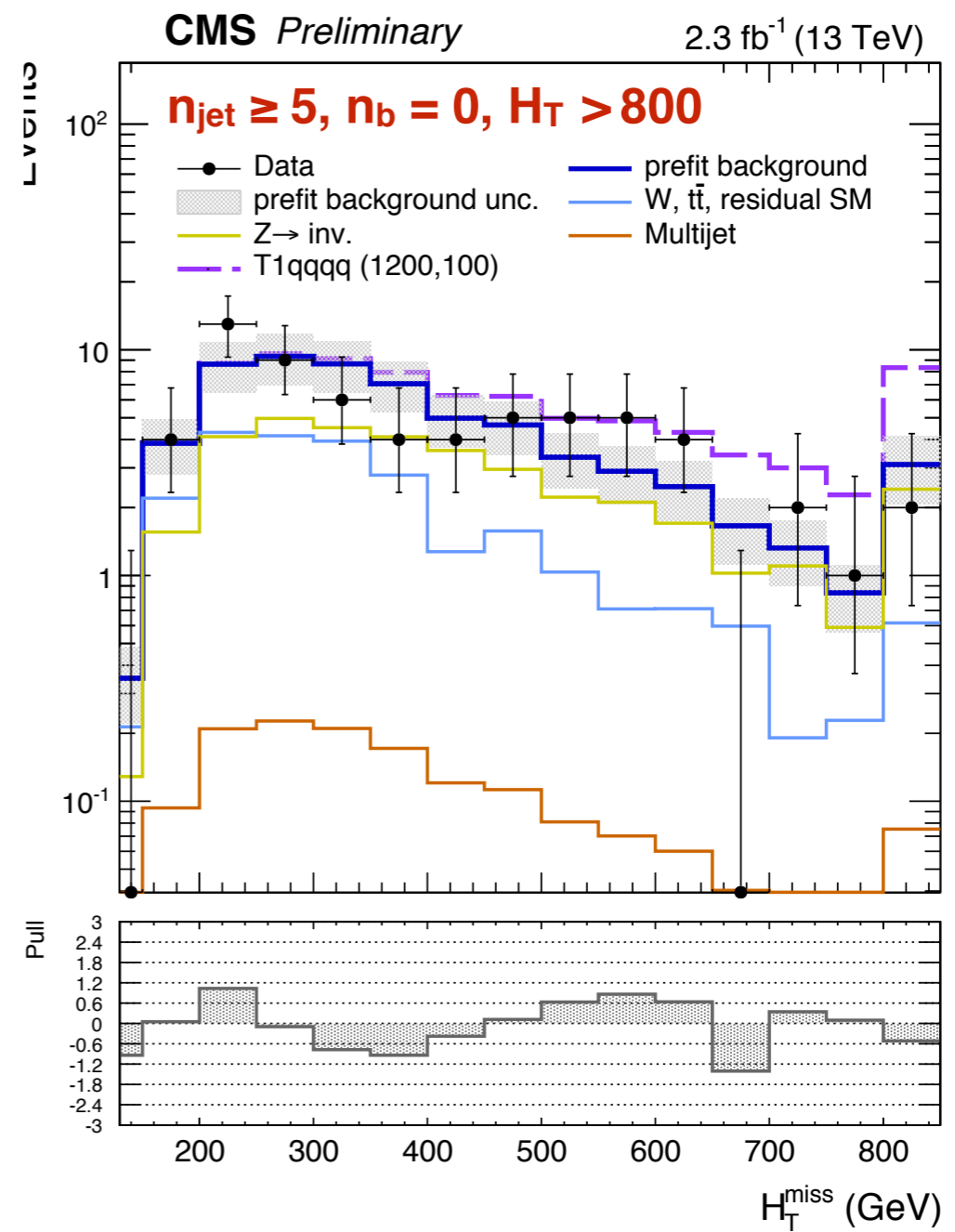
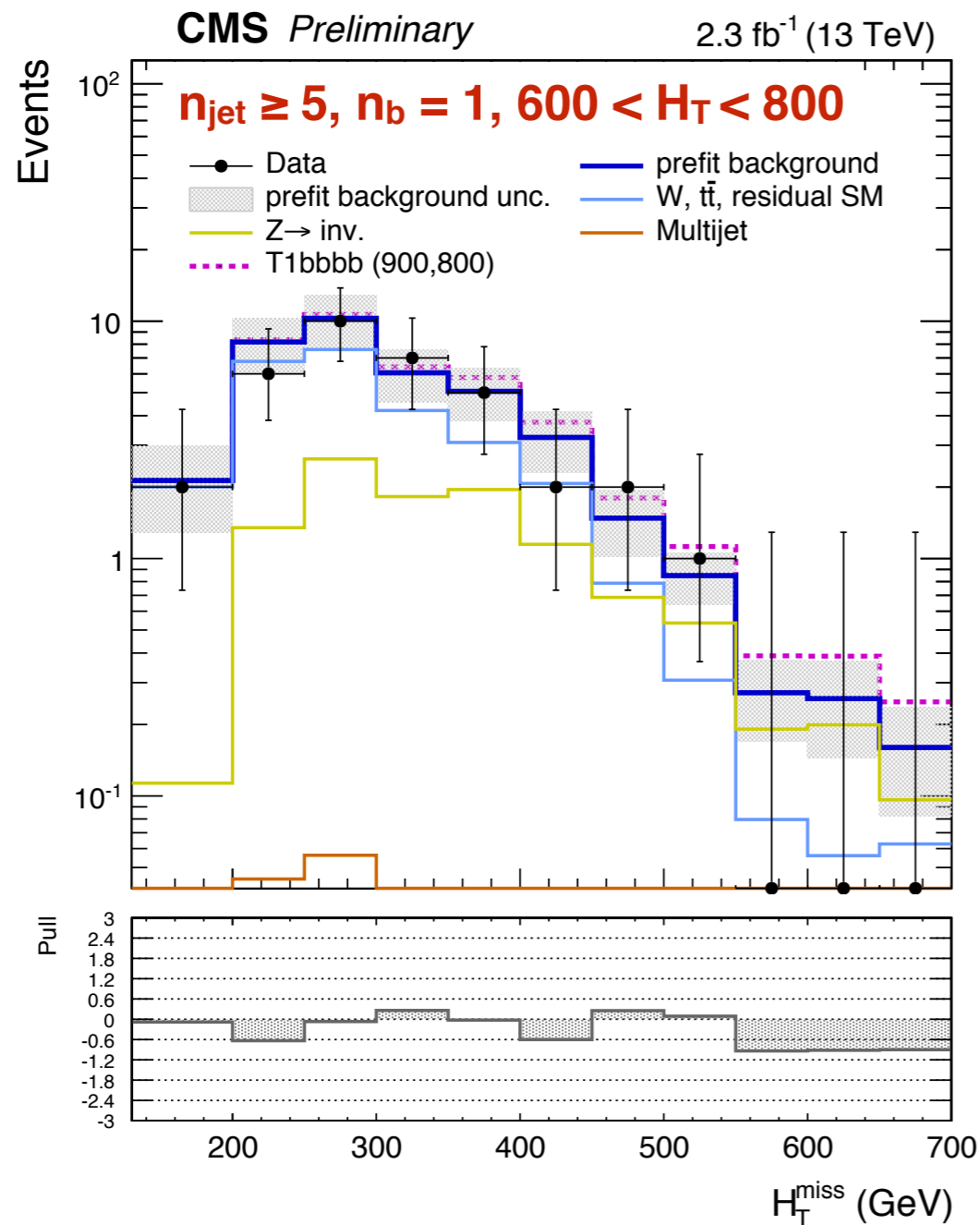
Symmetric category predictions

2.3 fb⁻¹ (13 TeV)



Predictions agree well with data across the signal region

Prefit M_{H_T} distribution examples



Example **sensitive** categories show pre-fit M_{H_T} distributions agree well with data

Likelihood model

$i = H_T/n_{jet}/n_b$ bin

signal strength

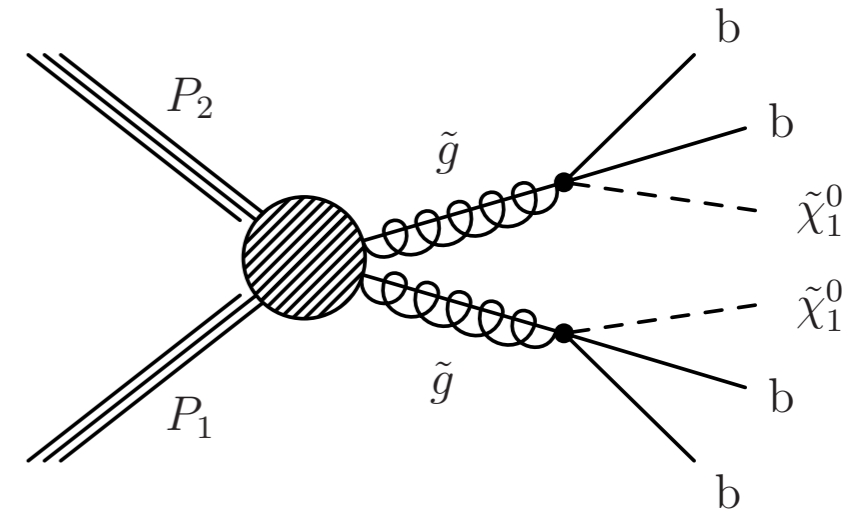
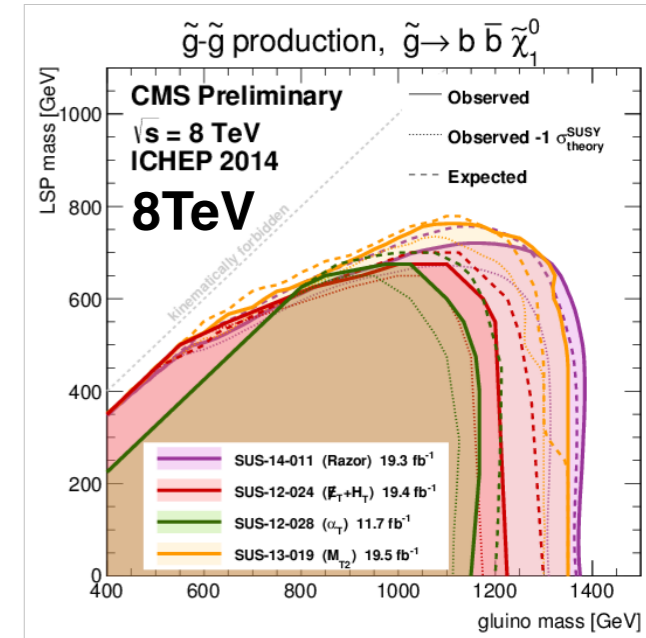
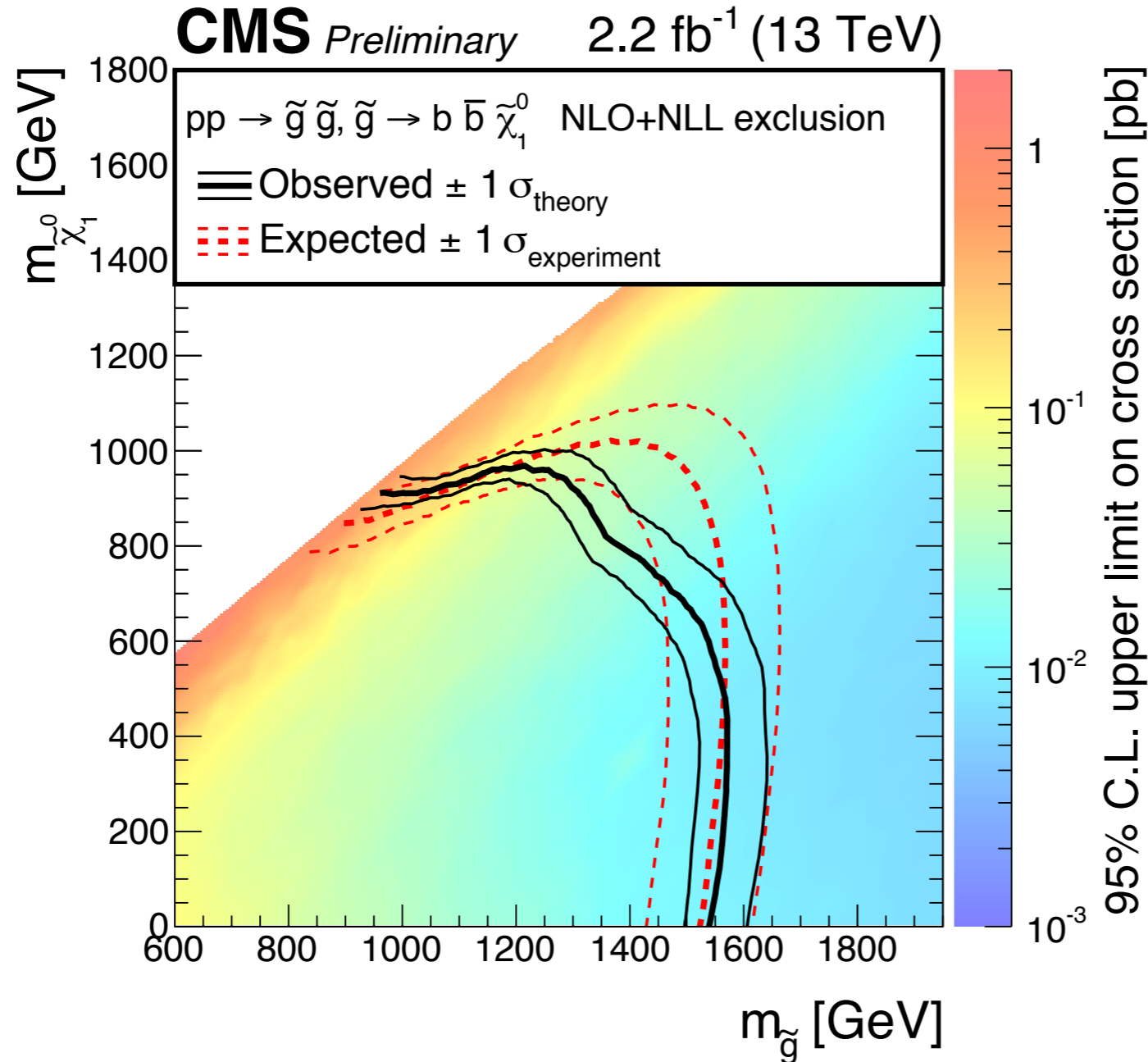
$$L(\mu, \underline{\theta}(\mu)) = \prod_i (L_{had}^i(\mu, \underline{\theta}(\mu))) \times \prod_{control} L_{control}^i(\mu, \underline{\theta}(\mu))$$

↑
nuisances

- **Binned analysis** - L is a product of **poisson terms** of the likelihood of the observation in each bin given the expected counts from background and signal processes (+ systematics)
- Likelihood broken into two parts per $H_T/n_j/n_b$ - had (signal region) and control
 - L_{had}^i contains the signal and background yields per MH_T bin and relevant (shape) systematics on the MH_T distribution within the signal bin
 - $L_{control}^i$ contains the prediction of the dominant background yields by the control regions inclusive in MH_T including the relevant (log normal) systematics
- Signal contribution in signal and control regions (with relevant systematics) included
- Set limits based on value of μ excluded with CLs > 95% derived using LHC test statistic*

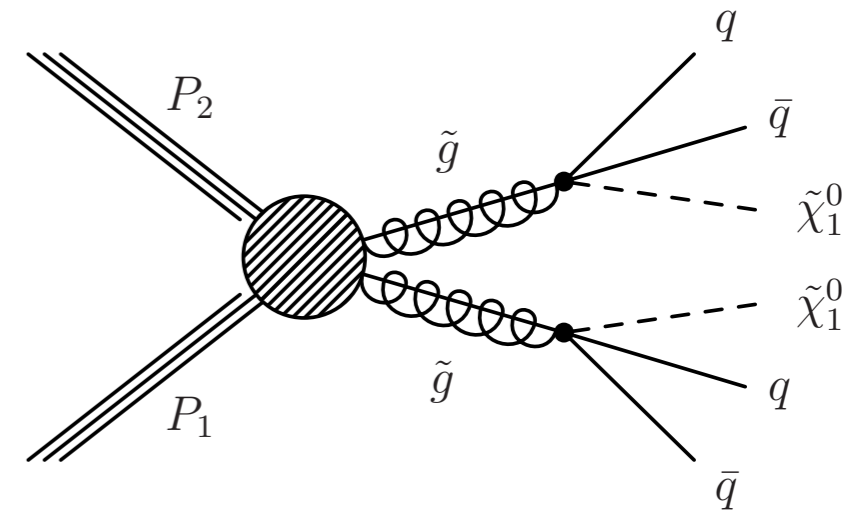
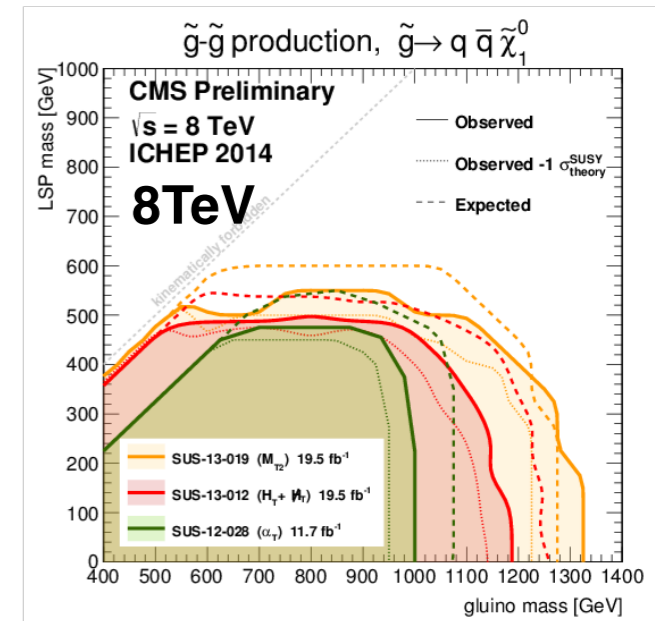
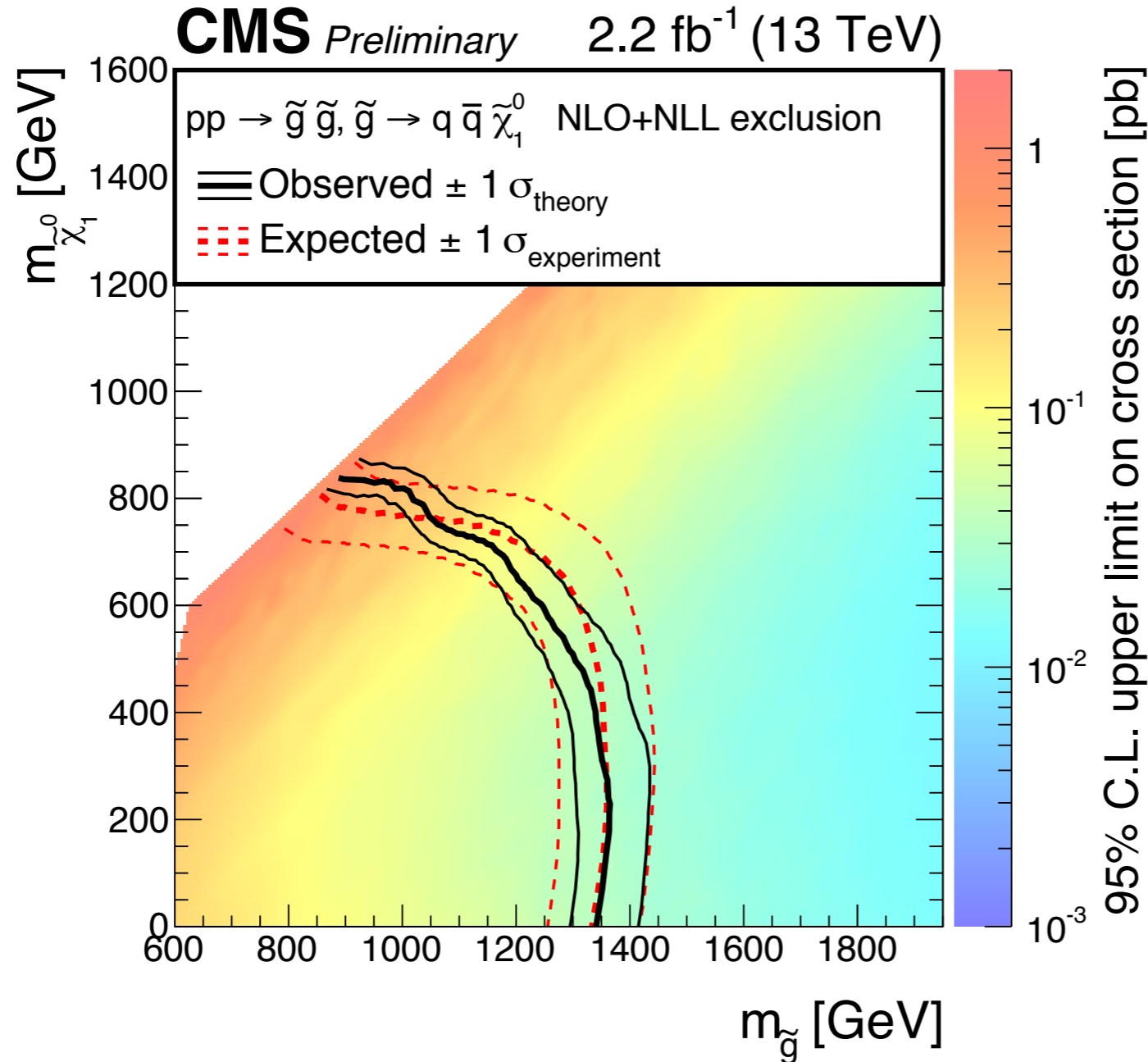
*ATL-PHYS-PUB-2011-11

Interpretation - T1bbbb



- Exclude up to a maximum of $m_{\text{gluino}} \sim 1550$ GeV and $m_{\text{LSP}} \sim 950$ GeV

Interpretation - T1qqqq



- Exclude up to a maximum of $m_{\text{gluino}} \sim 1350 \text{ GeV}$ and $m_{\text{LSP}} \sim 800 \text{ GeV}$

Conclusions

- Inclusive and robust α_τ search provides good sensitivity to a range of SUSY models
- Sensitivity optimised through binning in $H_\tau/n_j/n_b$ and the M_{H_τ} dimension
- Limits extend reach beyond 8TeV
- With additional data ($\sim O(10)/\text{fb}$) coming this year primed for discovery of natural SUSY

Backup

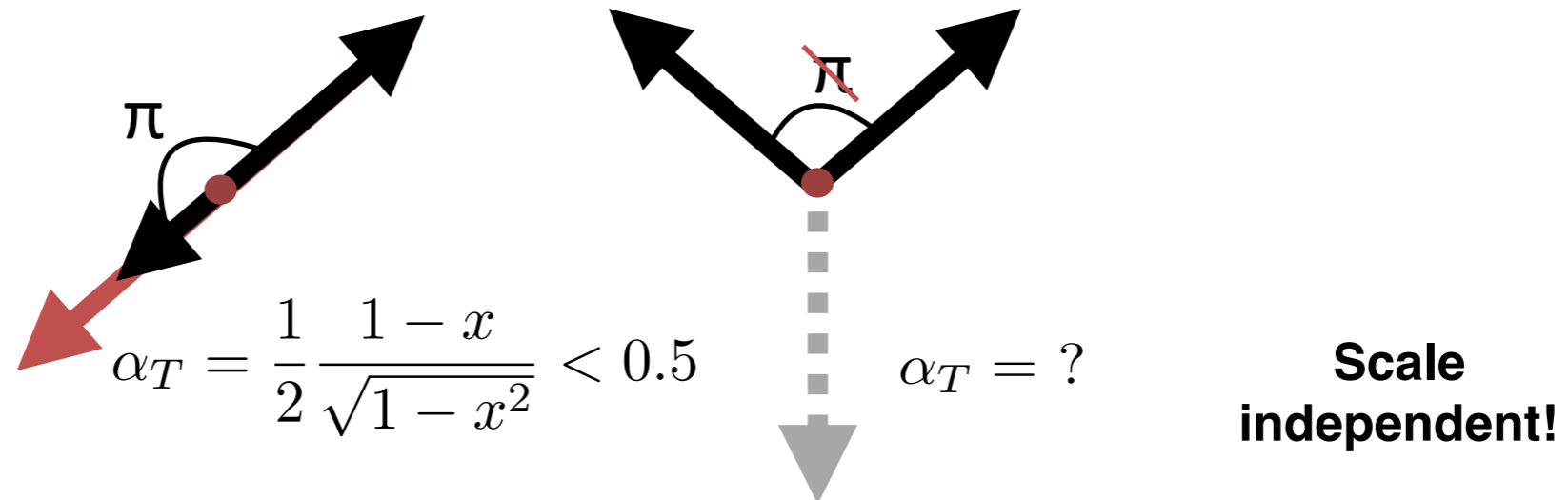
Transfer factor systematics

- Systematics from known experimental / theoretical uncertainties
 - Consider variations for: JEC, lepton ID/ISO/Trigger, PU weight, top pT reweighting, B-tag SF, signal trigger
 - Use $\pm 1 \sigma$ variations of known effects to define correlation and magnitude of systematics on transfer factors and encode in likelihood
- Data driven systematics from ‘closure tests’
 - Derive systematic per H_T / jet topology **per effect**
 - Systematic applied on relevant transfer factor(s) from control to signal region in likelihood

The α_T variable

$$\alpha_T = \frac{1}{2} \frac{1 - (\Delta H_T / H_T)}{\sqrt{1 - (H_T / H_T)^2}}$$

- Mis-measured jets from QCD events cause ‘fake’ MH_T
 - Very high cross section means dominant background source
- α_T is designed to reduce this ‘fake’ MH_T to sub-percent level

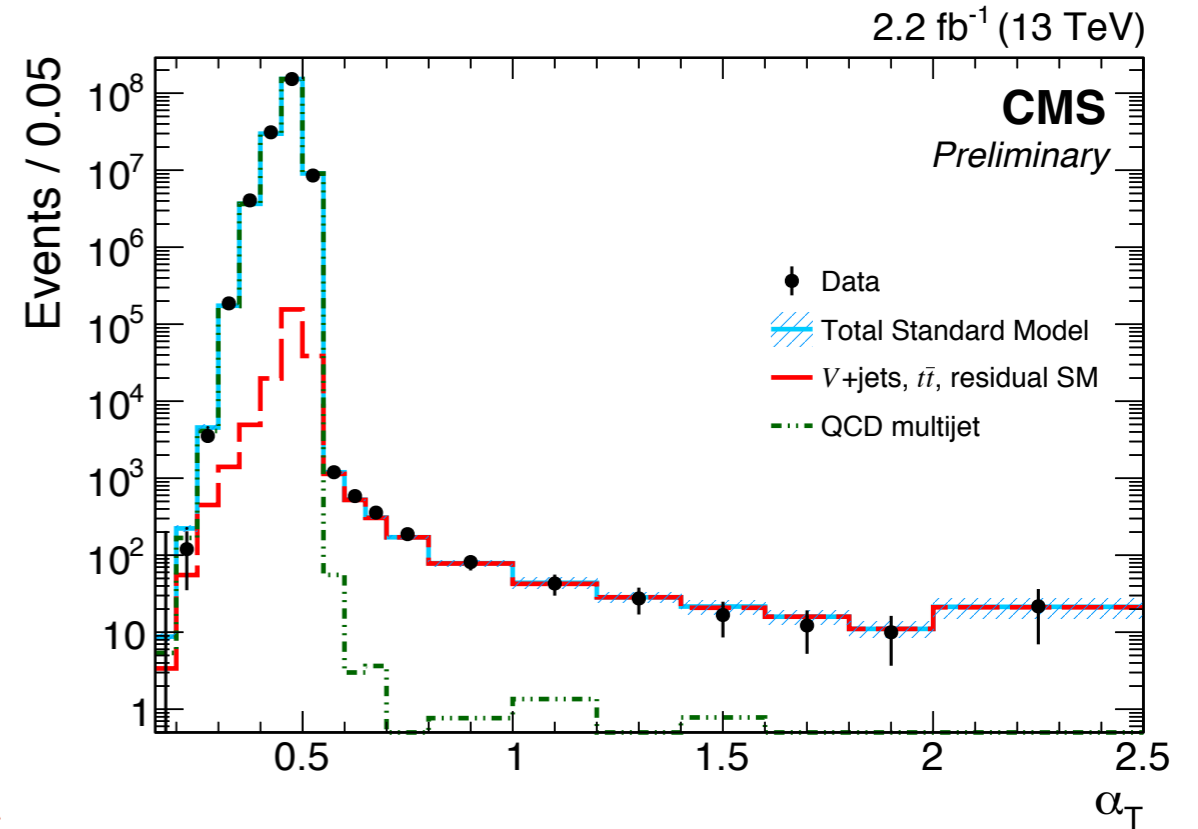
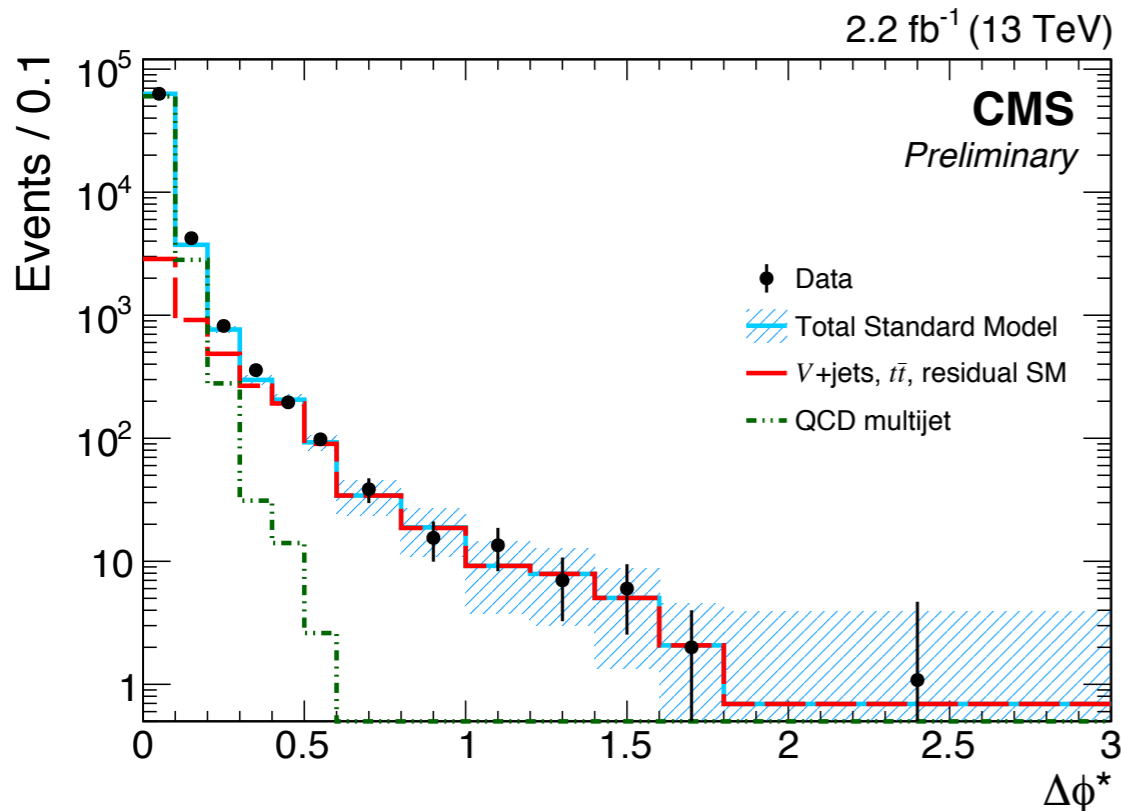


- Back to back jets must have $\alpha_T < 0.5$ but unconstrained for true MH_T
 - Balanced (no MH_T) events have $\alpha_T = 0.5$
- For N-jets define pseudo dijet system as one which minimises energy difference between the jets (ΔH_T) - aggressively kills QCD

Key variables - α_T and $\Delta\phi^*$

$$\alpha_T = \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{H_T - \Delta H_T}{\sqrt{H_T^2 - \cancel{H}_T^2}}$$

- Effective in rejecting QCD multijet events (and keeping low trigger thresholds)
 - Back-to-back events $\Rightarrow \alpha_T = 0.5$
 - “mismeasured” balanced events $\Rightarrow \alpha_T < 0.5$
 - genuine MET events $\Rightarrow \alpha_T > 0.5$



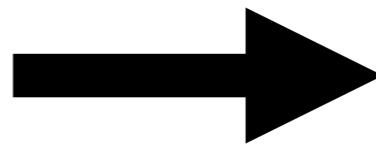
$\Delta\phi^*$

- Minimum $\Delta\phi$ between jet and the MH_T vector computed without that jet (“biased MH_T ”)
- Compute minimum $\Delta\phi^*$ with ALL jets in the event - very robust even against even severe under/over measurement (but at the expense of signal)
- Mis-reconstructed jets and jets with significant neutrino component peak at low min $\Delta\phi^*$

Baseline Selection

Selection

- $n_{\text{jet}} \geq 1$
 - $p_{T,j1} > 100 \text{ GeV}, |\eta_{j1}| < 2.5$
 - $p_{T,j2} > 40 \text{ GeV}, |\eta_{j2}| < 3$
- $H_T > 200$ (bins up to 800-Inf) GeV
- $MHT > 130 \text{ GeV}$
- Forward jet veto
 - $p_{T,j} > 40 \text{ GeV}, |\eta_j| > 3$ (regardless of ID)
- Isolated track veto
 - $p_{T,t} > 10 \text{ GeV}, |\eta_t| < 2.5$
- $MHT/MET < 1.25$
- Recommended MET filters



Categorisation

Based on 2nd jet

- **Symmetric**
 - $p_{T,j2} > 100 \text{ GeV}$
- **Monojet** **NEW**
 - $p_{T,j2} < 40 \text{ GeV}$
- **Asymmetric** **NEW**
 - $40 < p_{T,j2} < 100 \text{ GeV}$
- Compressed SUSY and Generic DM
⇒ Monojet + Asymmetric
- Un-compressed SUSY
⇒ Symmetric

Selection - Single Lepton

- Single Electron + Single Muon control region selections
- Baseline selection +
 - Exactly one muon/electron with $p_T > 30$ GeV, $|\eta| < 2.1$ (1.479 for electron)
 - Relative isolation requirement
 - $30 \text{ GeV} < M_T(\mu/e, ME_T) < 125 \text{ GeV}$
 - $dR(\text{lepton}, \text{jet}) > 0.5$
 - Muon/electron ignored when computing ME_T , MH_T , α_T

Selection - Double Lepton

- Double Electron + Double Muon control region selections
- Baseline selection +
 - exactly two muon/electrons with $p_T > 30$ GeV, $|\eta| < 2.1$ (1.479 for electron) and opposite charge
 - relative isolation requirement
 - $|M_{||} - M_Z| < 25$ GeV
 - $dR(\text{lepton}, \text{jet}) > 0.5$
 - Muons/electrons ignored when computing M_{E_T} , M_{H_T} , α_T

Selection - Single Photon

- Single Photon control region selections
- Baseline selection +
 - Exactly one photon with $p_T > 200$ GeV, $|\eta| < 1.479$
 - Relative isolation requirement
 - $dR(\text{photon}, \text{jet}) > 0.5$
 - Photon ignored when computing M_{E_T} , M_{H_T} , a_T

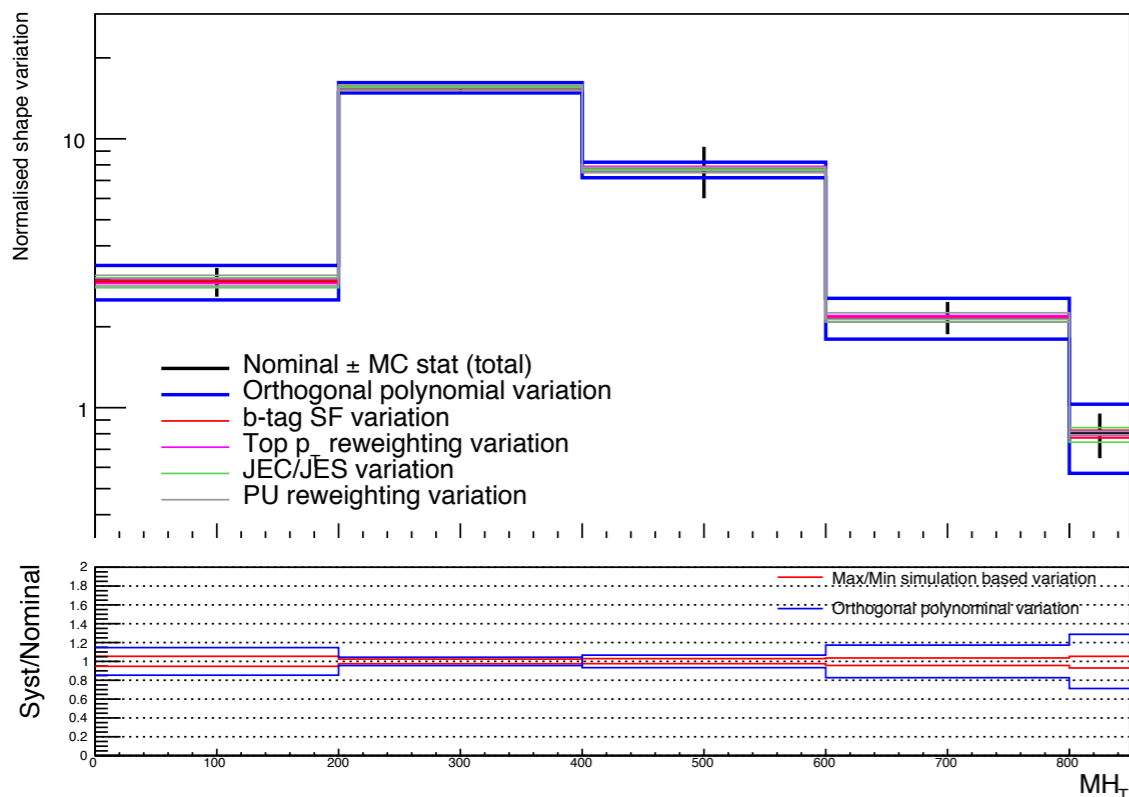
Signal

- Baseline selection +
- Signal selection
 - $MHT/MET < 1.25$
 - $\Delta\phi^* > 0.5$
 - HT-dependent aT cut (see next slide) for $HT < 800$ GeV
 - $MHT > 130$ GeV for $HT > 800$ GeV

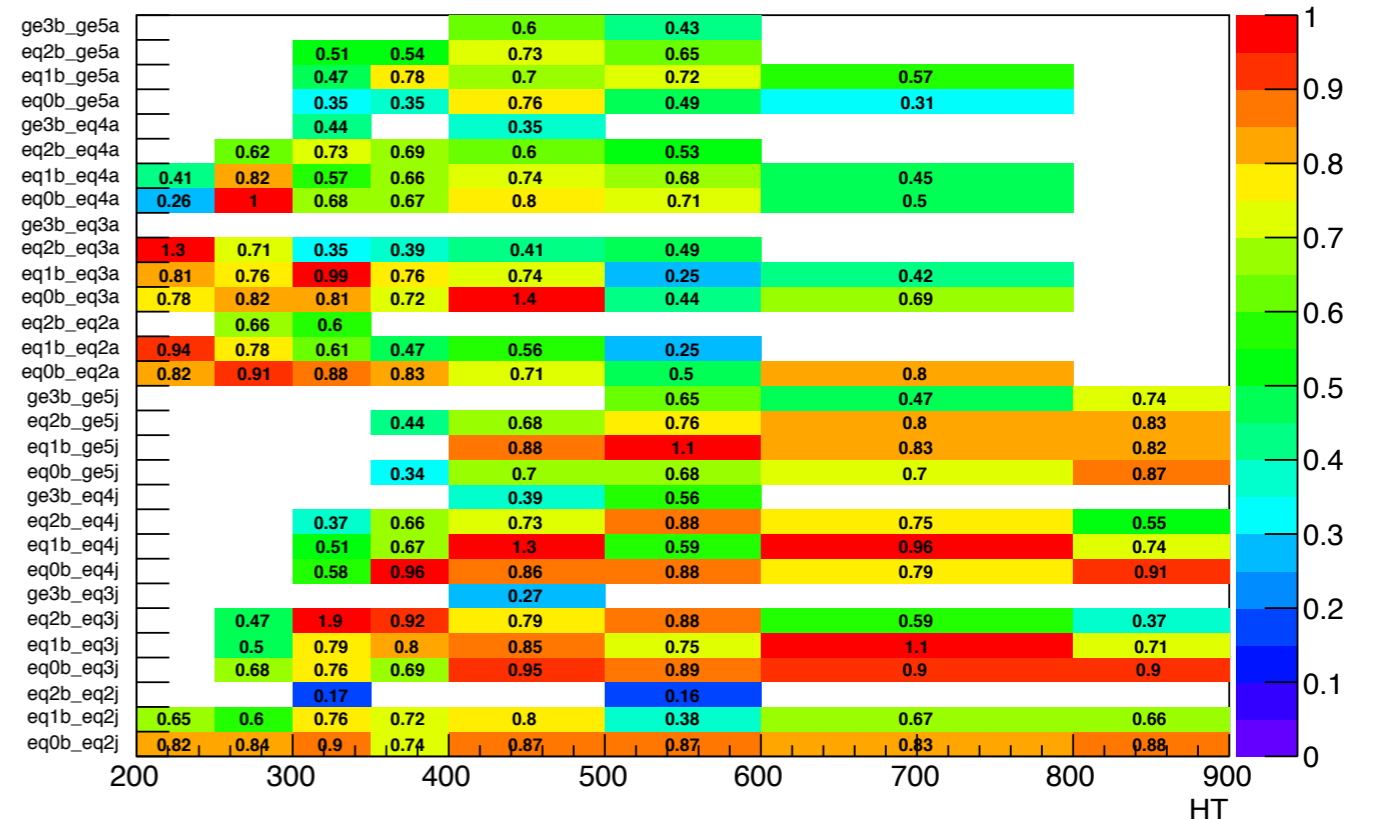
MH_T dimension systematic (MC comparison)

- Compare data-driven MH_T dimension systematic for one category and across whole plane
 - Normalise MH_T distribution and compare MC based variations to data driven systematic
- MC based variations are **subdominant** compared to data driven (orthogonal polynomial) systematic

eq1b, ge5j



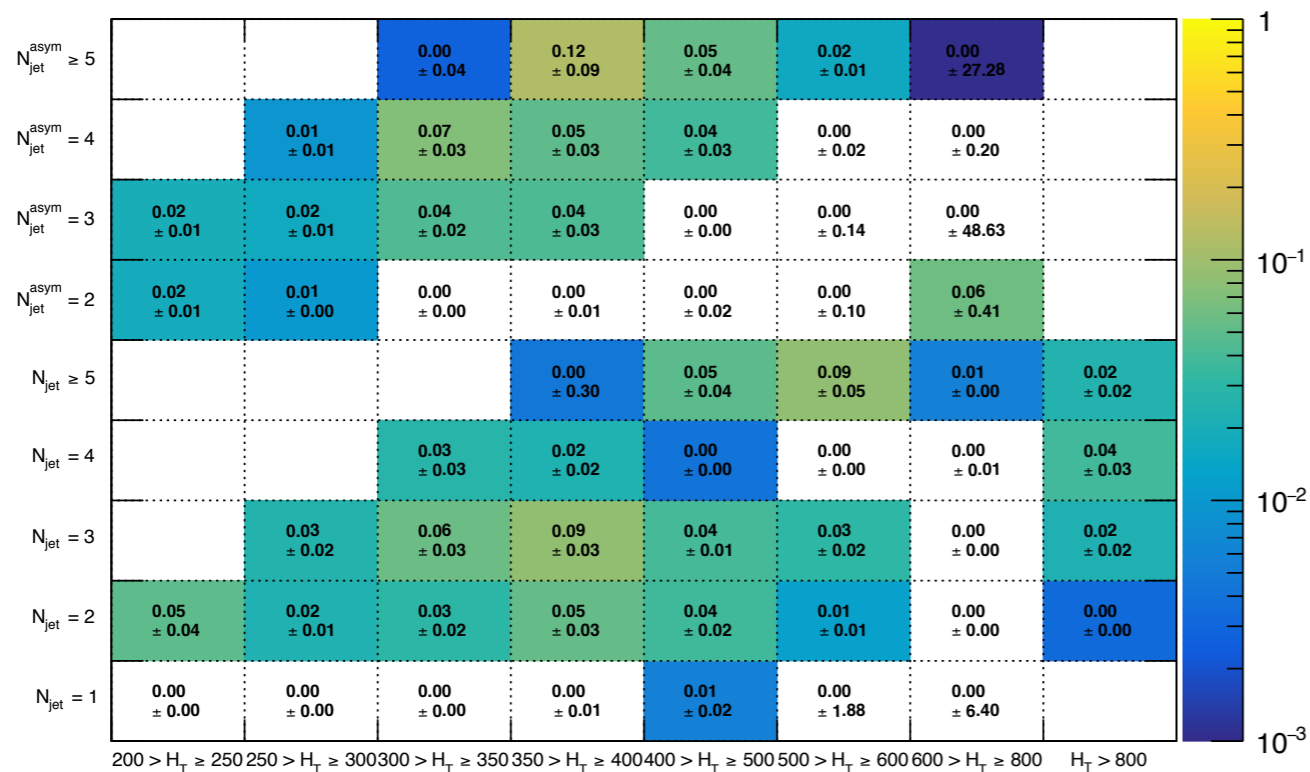
Last MH_T bin max MC variation/ortho. poly



QCD Prediction

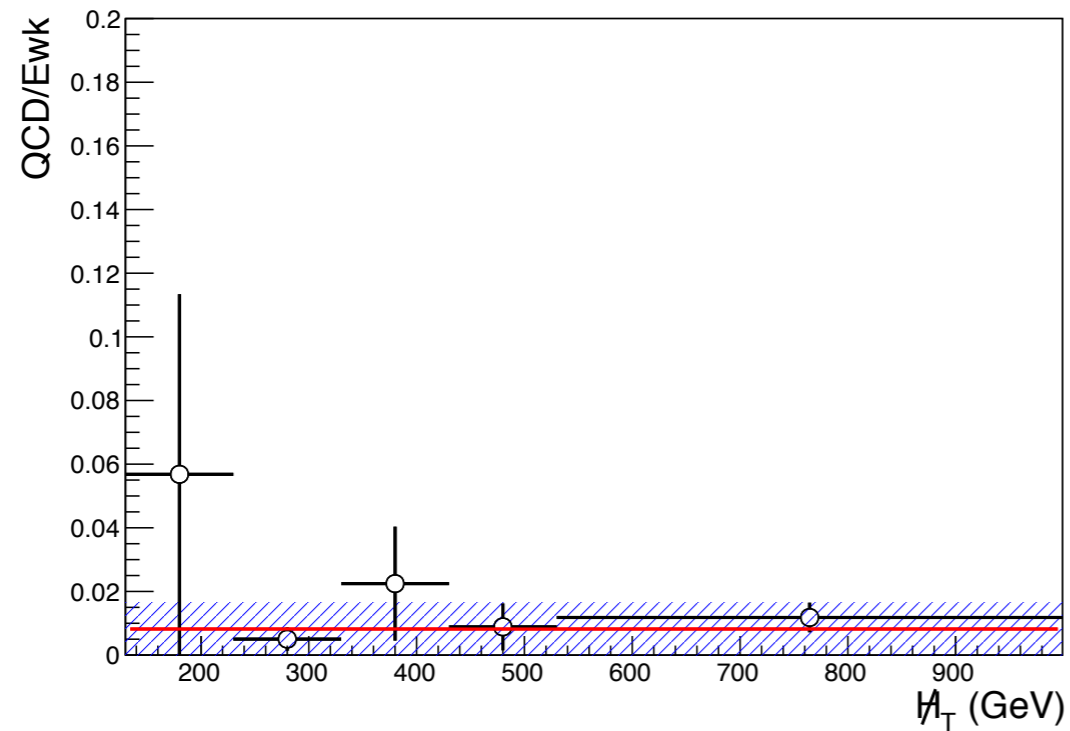
- The residual QCD contamination is measured and included in likelihood
- Extrapolate yields in n_{jet}, H_T bins from $M_{H_T}/M_{E_T} > 1.25$ data sideband using ratio taken from MC.
- MC ratio validated with data control regions (see backup)
- MC studies demonstrate no enrichment of QCD w.r.t non-QCD vs MHT nor N_b , within assumed uncertainties (statistical up to $\sim 100\%$, systematic 100%)

QCD/Ewk relative contamination

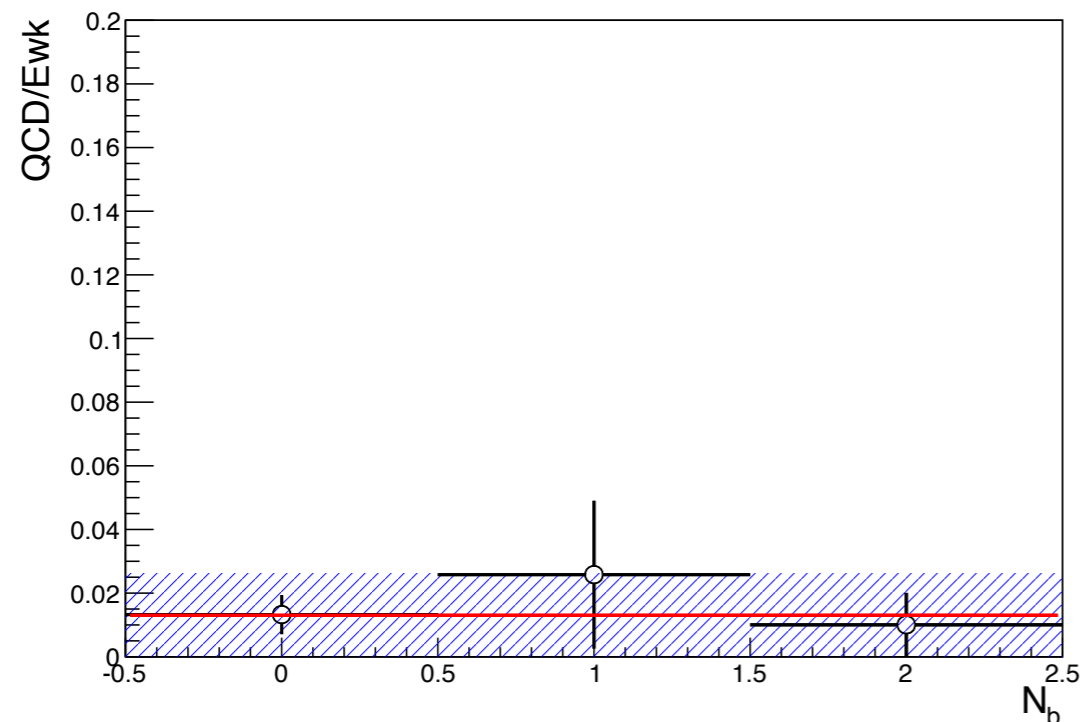


QCD/Ewk relative contamination at percent level

QCD Validation e.g. $H_T > 800$

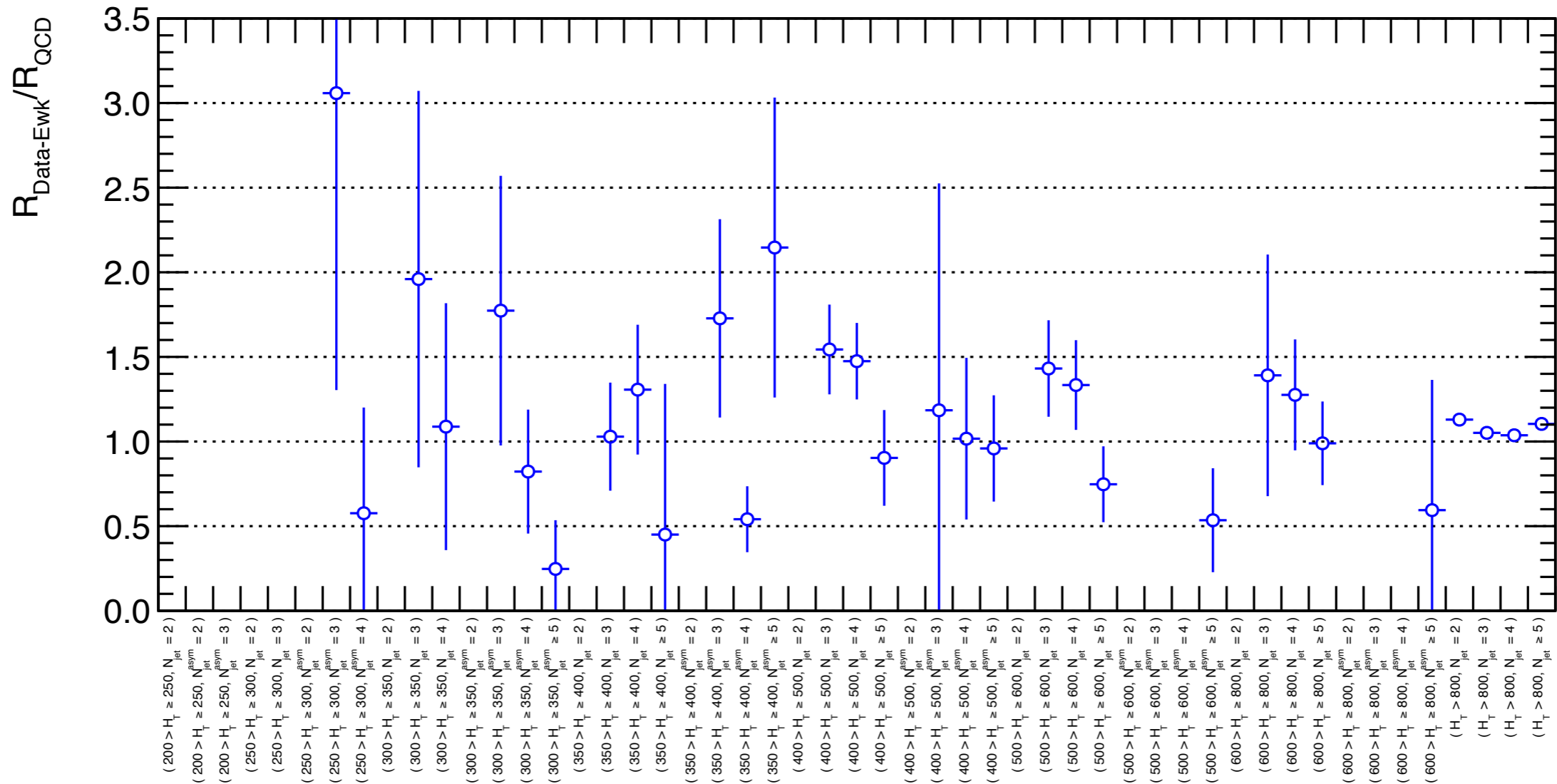


QCD relative contamination is flat in M_{H_T} (within uncertainties)



QCD relative contamination is flat in n_B (within uncertainties)

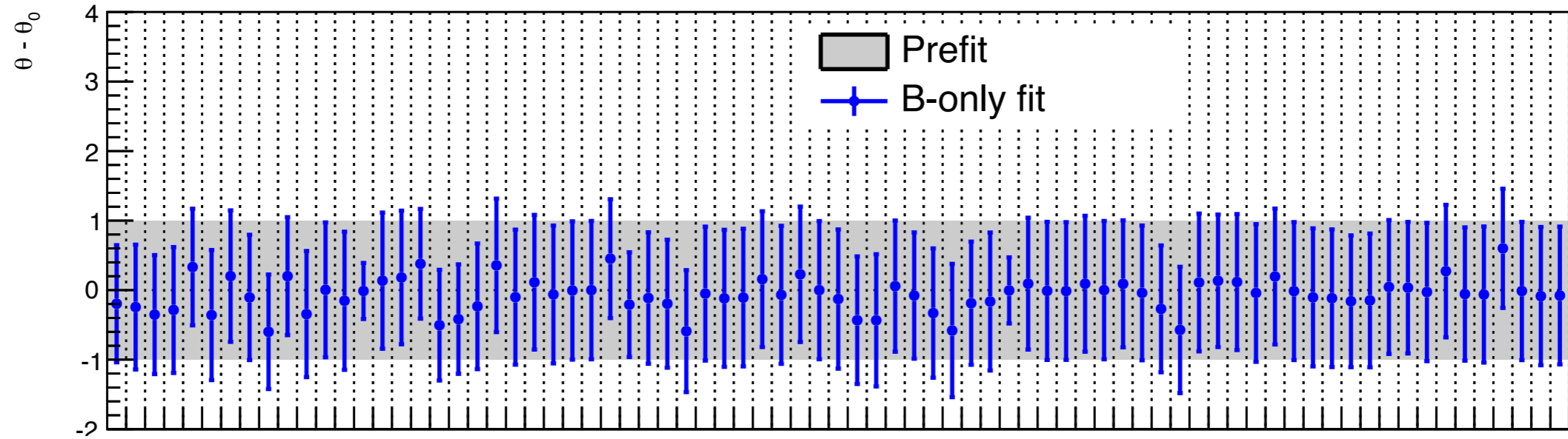
QCD Ratio validation in data sideband



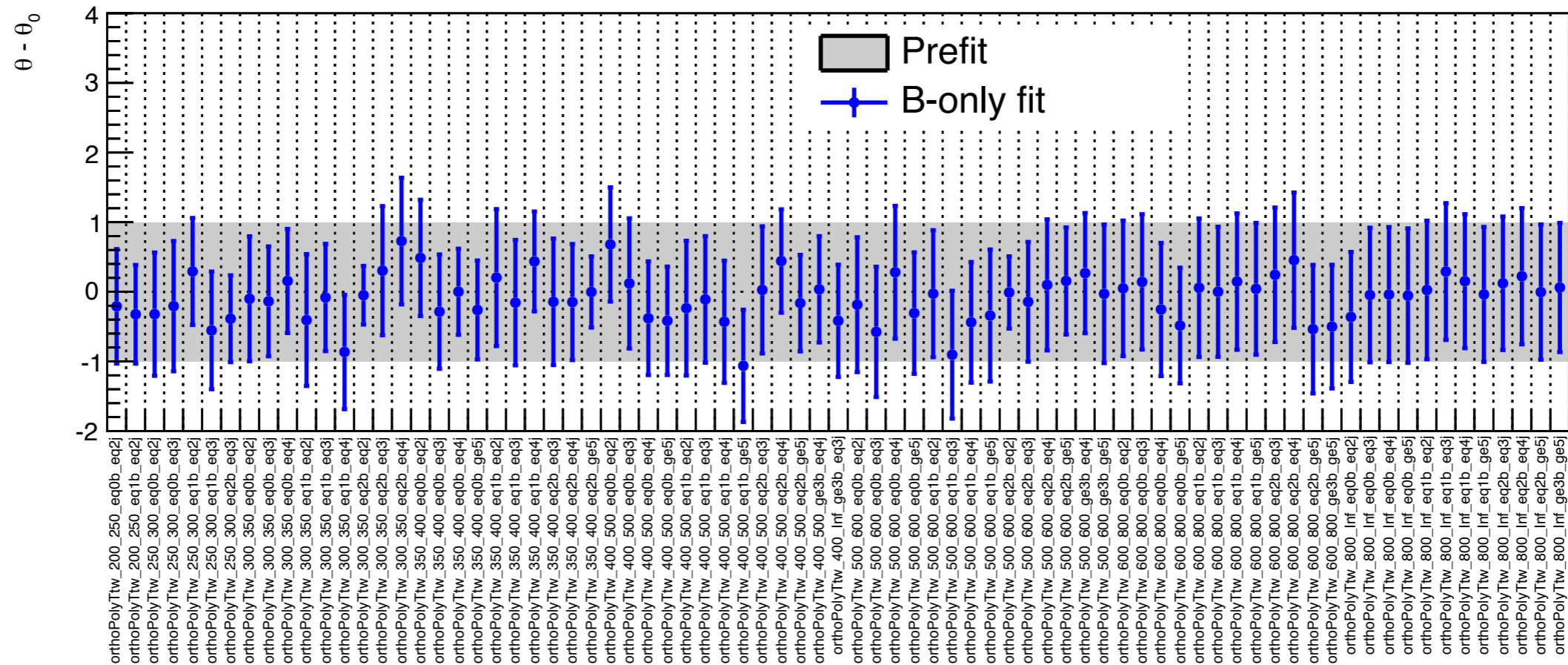
Ratio of pass/fail ratio of MHT/MET < 1.25 cut measured in data and MC in $\Delta\phi^*$ sideband

Template nuisances post-fit not significantly pulled/ constrained

Zinv template (symmetric categories) nuisances



Ttw template (symmetric categories) nuisances



High nJet/nB predictions for HT 600-800 and HT > 800

	HT 600-800	HT >800
nJet = 4 nB = 2	Data	7
	SM	3.6 ± 0.8
	Ttw	2.2 ± 0.6
	Zinv	1.4 ± 0.3
	QCD	0.0 ± 0.0
nJet = 4 nB \geq 3	Data	0
	SM	0.1 ± 0.0
	Ttw	0.0 ± 0.0
	Zinv	0.0 ± 0.0
	QCD	0.0 ± 0.0
nJet \geq 5 nB = 2	Data	10
	SM	10.9 ± 2.9
	Ttw	8.9 ± 2.7
	Zinv	1.9 ± 0.4
	QCD	0.1 ± 0.1
nJet \geq 5 nB \geq 3	Data	1
	SM	1.5 ± 0.4
	Ttw	1.1 ± 0.4
	Zinv	0.3 ± 0.1
	QCD	0.0 ± 0.0

In region around bins with excess the data agrees well with prediction

Signal systematics

The following sources of uncertainties are considered (following SUS PAG recommendations)

Systematic	Benchmark model			
	T1bbbb		T1qqqq	
	compressed	uncompressed	compressed	uncompressed
Luminosity	4.6%	4.6%	4.6%	4.6%
Trigger	0-15%	3-5%	0-15%	3-5%
MC statistics	0-50%	0-50%	0-50%	0-50%
PU reweighting	1-5%	1-5%	1-5%	1-5%
B-tag efficiency	0-10%	0-20%	0-10%	0-10%
Lepton efficiency	10%	10%	10%	10%
Jet energy scale	5-20%	0-10%	5-20%	0-10%
Initial state radiation	0-15%	1-2%	0-15%	1-2%

Data driven systematics

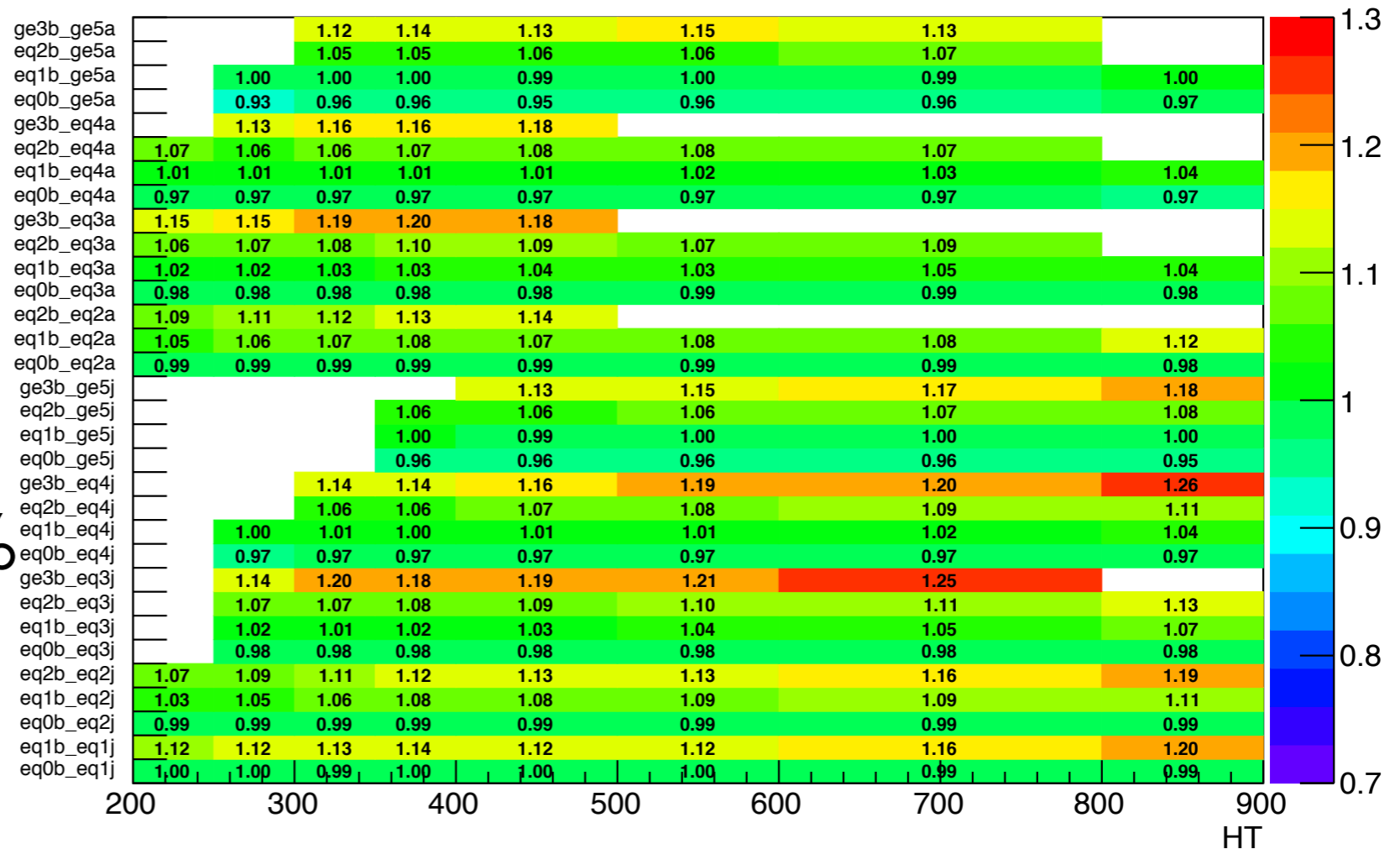
$$\delta TF_i = \sqrt{r_i^2 + \delta r_i^2}, \quad r_i = (N_i^{obs} - N_i^{pred}) / N_i^{pred} \quad [1]$$

- Each source of systematic considered separately
- Look at closure (r_i) in using one sample to predict another within the control regions - e.g. $\alpha_T < \alpha_T^{cut} \rightarrow \alpha_T > \alpha_T^{cut}$ (see next slide)
 - Inspect trend of r_i vs H_T (integrated in n_b) per n_{jet} and inclusively in topology
 - In absence of bias, collapse n_{jet} dimension and calculate systematic per H_T for symmetric and asymmetric topologies (Eq. [1])
 - For tests involving $\mu\mu$ +jets pairs of H_T bins merged to gain statistics
- Systematic is correlated in n_{jet}/n_b , decorrelated in H_T and jet topology

Example TF variation (B-tag weight)

- Eg. Change in μ -> tt+W TF under variation of btag SF weight
- Effect on **all** transfer factors encoded in likelihood for each systematic variation

$$TF = MC_{\text{signal}}/MC_{\text{control}}$$



Btag variation up

Systematic size ~5-30%

Likelihood model - MH_T

j = MH_T bin

i = HT/njet/nb bin

observation **background yield** **signal yield**

$$L_{had}^i = \prod_j Pois(n^{ji} | \rho^j b^{ji} + \mu \prod_n \eta_{had}^{jin} s^{ji})$$

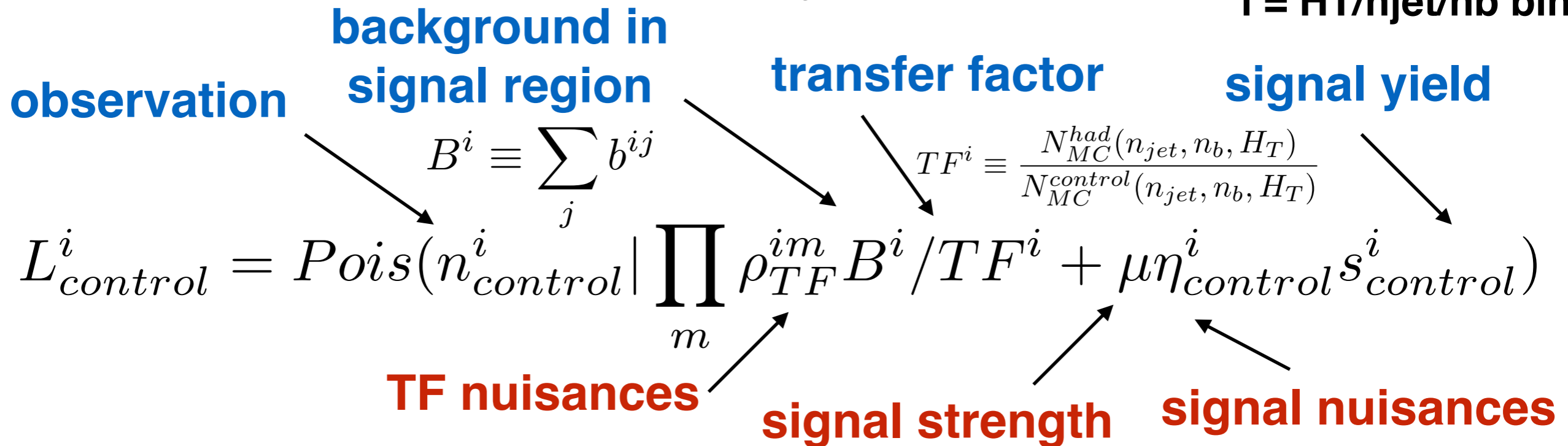
MH_T shape nuisance **signal strength** **signal nuisances**

- For H_T/n_j/n_b bin there is an uncorrelated nuisance on the MH_T distribution for the background
- Signal nuisances affect the signal shape in all binning dimensions
- Shape variations implemented by providing alternative templates for $\pm 1 \sigma$ variations (interpolation by ‘vertical morphing’)*
- In full likelihood have term per dominant background + QCD

Likelihood model - $H_T/n_j/n_b$

$j = \text{MH}_T \text{ bin}$

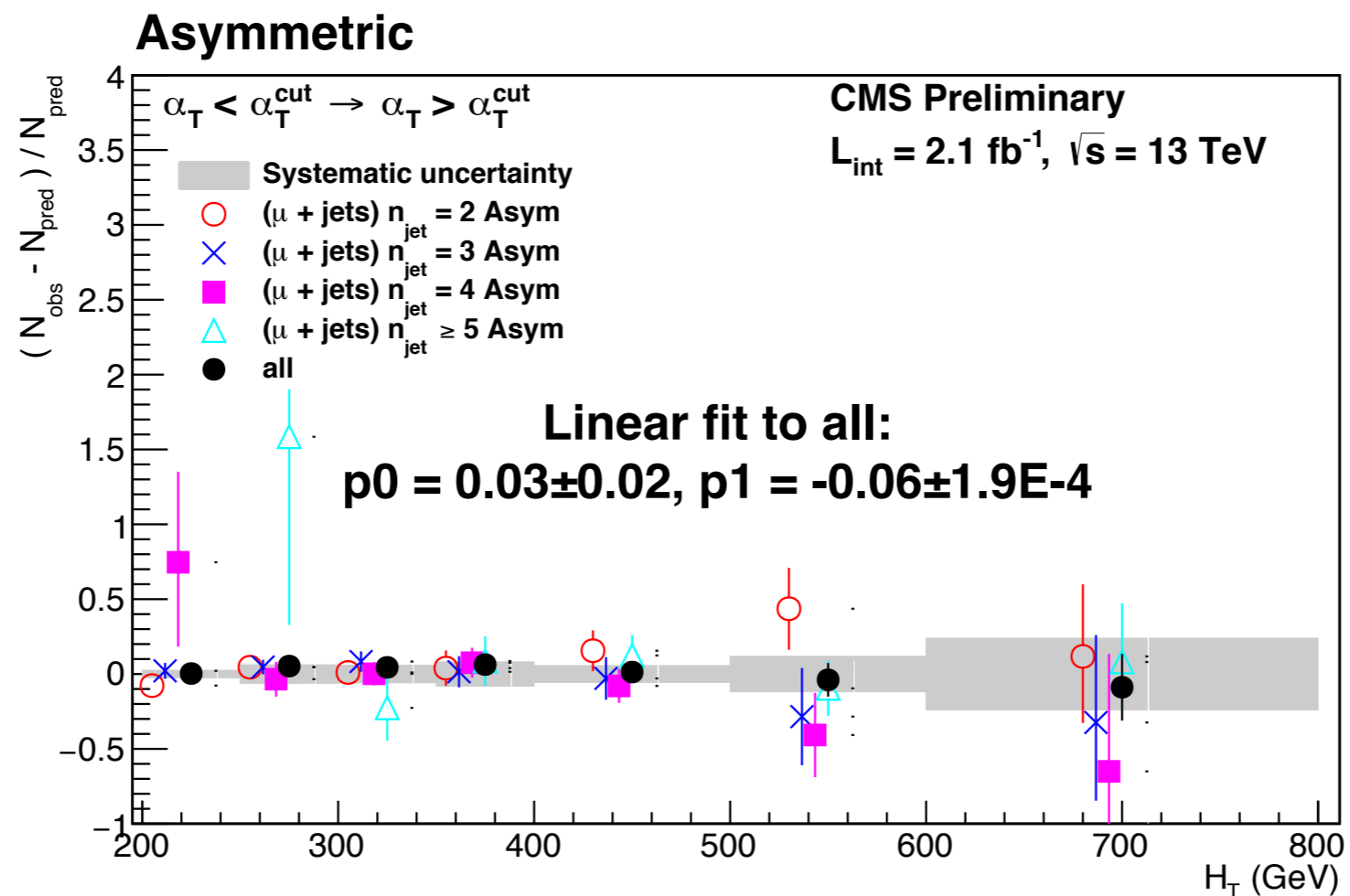
$i = \text{HT}/n_{\text{jet}}/n_b \text{ bin}$



- Control yields connected to signal region yields via transfer factors
- Have correlated and uncorrelated nuisances on TF between signal and control regions per $H_T/n_j/n_b$ bin
- Account for signal contamination in control region

Example closure test - $\alpha_T/\Delta\phi^*$ extrapolation

- This test probes the prediction from muon CRs with no $\alpha_T/\Delta\phi^*$ cut to SR containing this cut
- Use $\mu + \text{jets}$ for this test due to highest statistics
- Systematics (grey bands) taken **per H_T** based on difference in prediction and observation for symmetric and asymmetric topologies separately
- All closure tests fully documented in AN



Run 1 legacy

Summary of CMS SUSY Results* in SMS framework

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