

Combinations of top quark measurements at the LHC

(excluding mass)

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Outline:

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presenting ATLAS+CMS combinations on

Top production

- $t\bar{t}$, single top

Top properties

- charge asymmetry, W helicity

Other LHCTOPWG activities

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- **Technical aspects:**

- Combining measurements is all about correlations
- Identify uncertainties of similar source and their correlations
 - for different data taking periods
 - across decay channels
 - across experiments...
- Much of the work used for results in this talk was developed in the context of top quark mass combinations
 - *See talk from Andreas Maier (Session 10)*

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- **Input correlations: not always “black-and-white”:**

- some partial correlations hard to estimate, knowledge already increased with experience

- **hypotheses tests: check stability re-running combinations varying ρ over a large range**

Top quark production: $t\bar{t}$

Top quark pair cross sections [8TeV]

Input measurements:

CMS TOP-14-016
ATLAS-CONF-2014-054

ATLAS (20.3 fb⁻¹) $e\mu$ channel

Simultaneous fit for cross-section and ϵ_b (*probability for a jet from a top decay to be in the acceptance and b-tagged*)

$$N_1 = L\sigma_{t\bar{t}} \epsilon_{e\mu} 2\epsilon_b(1 - C_b\epsilon_b) + N_1^{\text{bkg}}$$
$$N_2 = L\sigma_{t\bar{t}} \epsilon_{e\mu} C_b\epsilon_b^2 + N_2^{\text{bkg}}$$

- $\sigma(\text{tt}) = 237.7 \pm 1.7(\text{stat}) \pm 7.4(\text{sys}) \pm 7.4(\text{lumi})$

CMS (5.3 fb⁻¹) *originally: ee, eμ, μμ channels; only eμ used*

Simple cut-and-count analysis

different systematics

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Uncertainty [pb]				
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Detector model				
Trigger	0.4	3.6	0	1.0
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Lepton identification	1.7	4.0	0	1.6
Jet resolution	1.2	3.0	0	1.2
Jet identification	0.1	—	—	0.1
b-tagging	1.0	1.7	0	0.8
Pileup	—	2.0	—	0.5
Non-JES subtotal	2.6	6.7	0	2.6
UncorrJES	0.6	4.3	0	1.2
InsituJES	0.6	0.6	0	0.5
IntercalibJES	0.3	0.1	0.5	0.2
FlavourJES	0.9	2.9	1	1.4
bJES	0.1	—	—	0.1
JES subtotal	1.3	5.2	0.4	1.9
Class subtotal	2.9	8.5		3.2
Signal model				
Scale	0.7	5.6	0.5	1.9
Radiation	—	3.8	—	1.0
Generator and parton shower	3.0	3.3	0.5	2.7
PDF	2.7	0.5	1	2.1
Class subtotal	4.1	7.5	0.3	4.0
Background from data				
Z+jets	<0.1	1.5	0	0.4
Lepton misidentification	0.8	1.9	0	0.8
Class subtotal	0.8	2.4	0	0.9
Background from simulation				
Dibosons	0.3	0.5	1	0.4
Single top quark	2.0	2.3	1	2.1
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Luminosity				
Beam modelling	2.9	5.0	1	3.5
Luminosity determination	6.9	3.6	0	5.1
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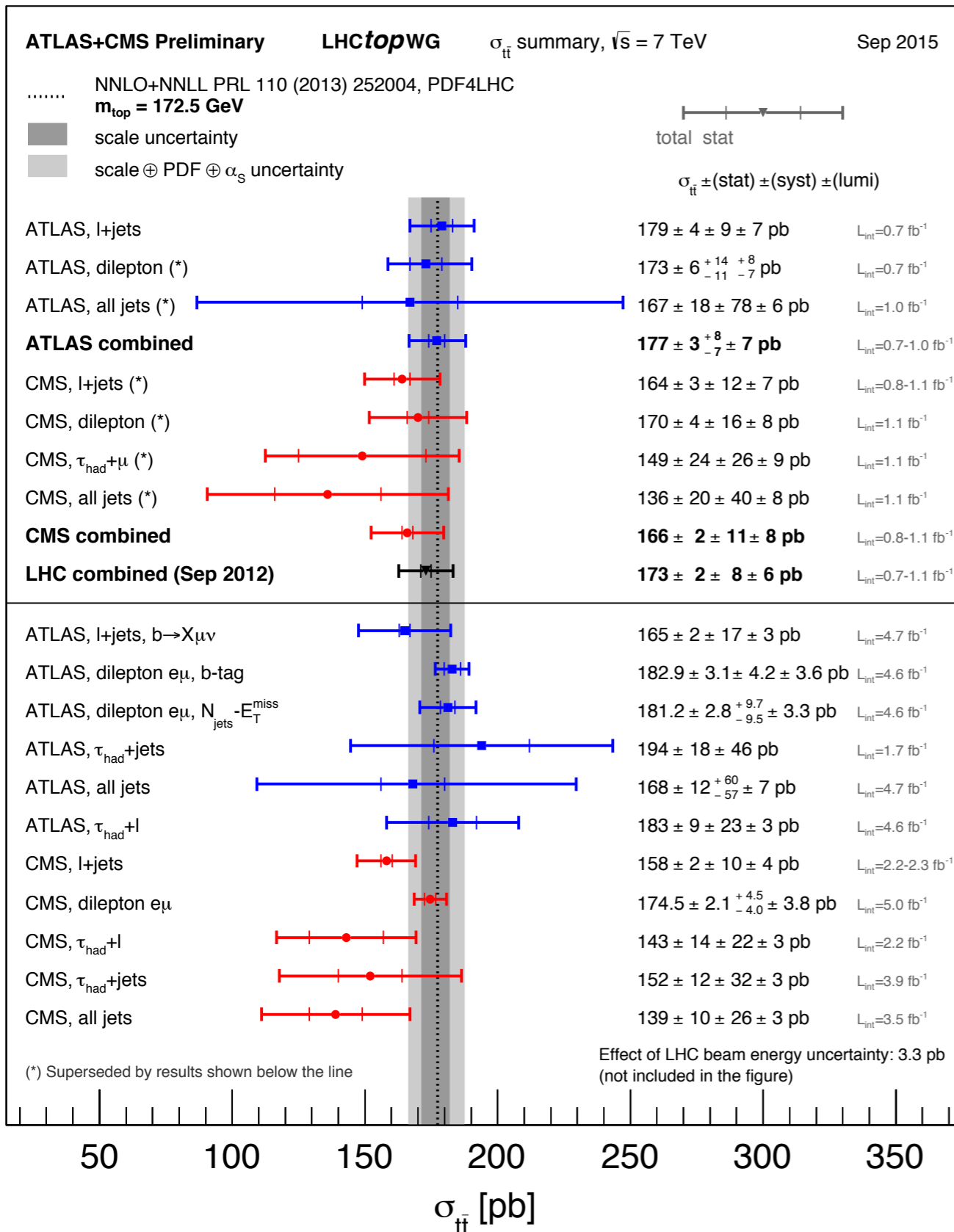
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χ^2 probability of combination = 82%
 ATLAS weight: 73% CMS weight: 27%

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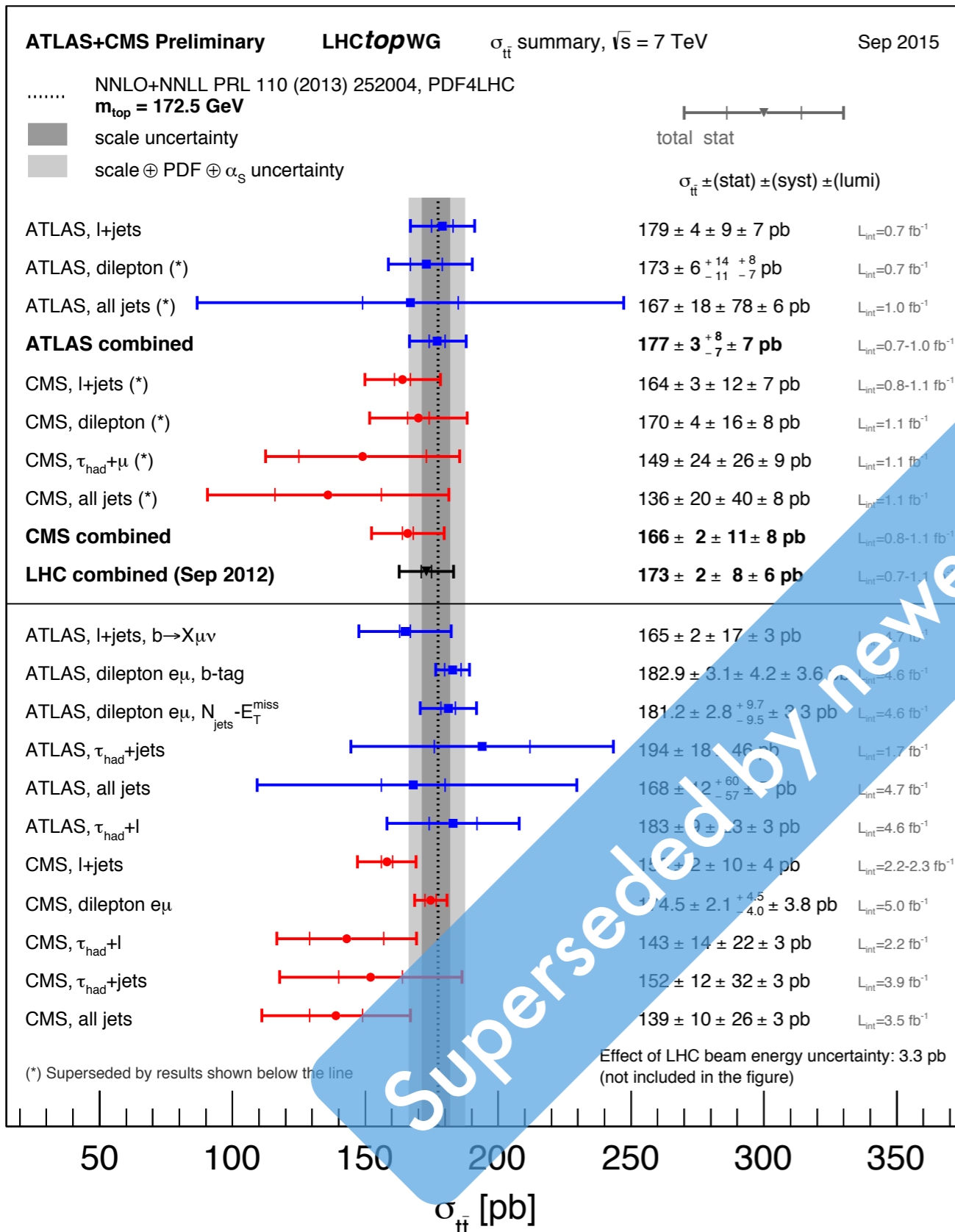


CMS TOP-12-003
 ATLAS-CONF-2012-134

7 TeV input measurements:

- ATLAS (0.7-1.02 fb $^{-1}$):
 - dilepton (ee, e μ , $\mu\mu$), single lepton+jets and all jets final states
- CMS (1.09-1.14 fb $^{-1}$):
 - dilepton (ee, e μ , $\mu\mu$), $\mu\tau_{\text{hadronic}}$, single lepton+jets and all jets final states
- Measurements pre-combined per experiment
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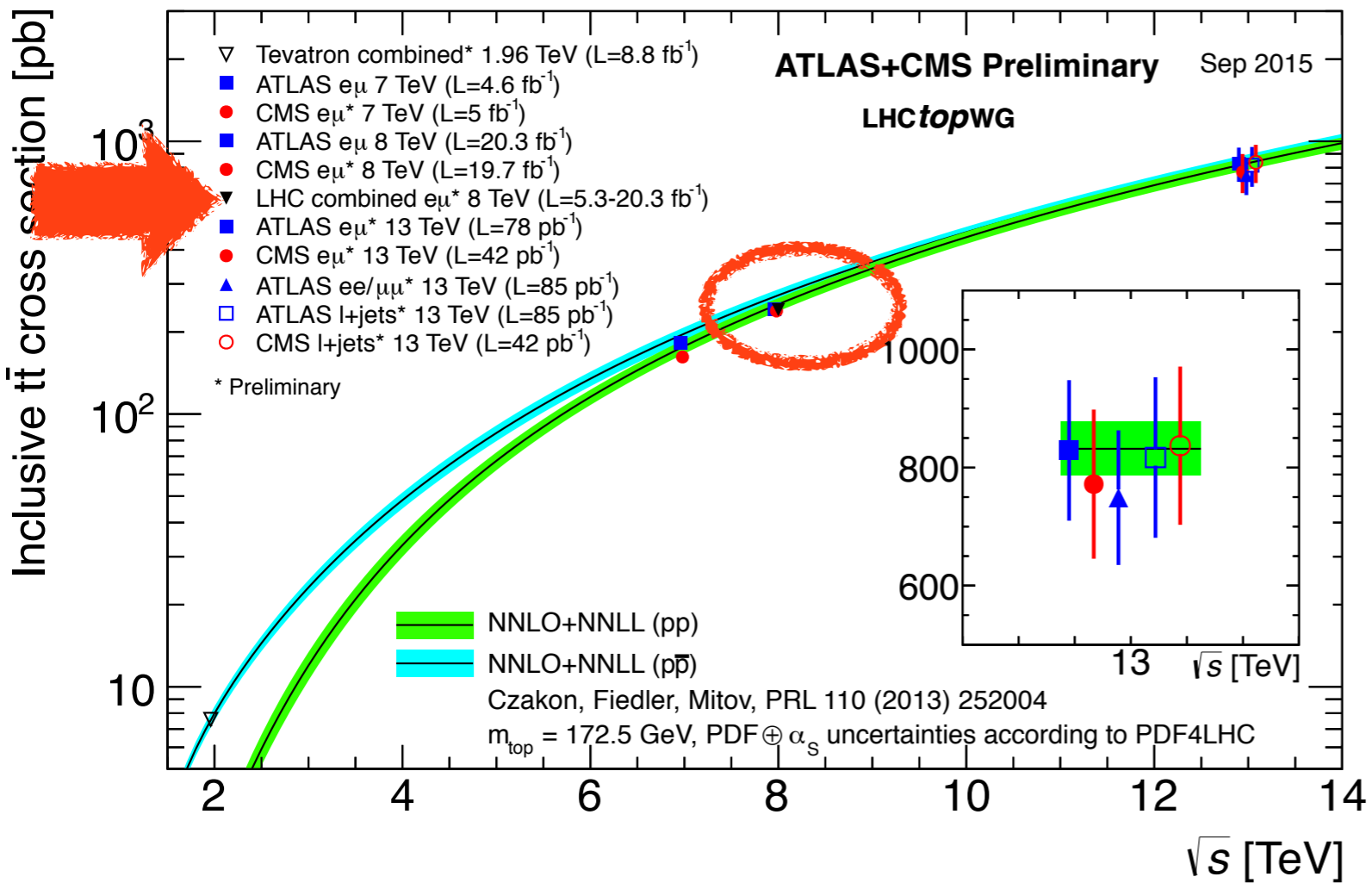


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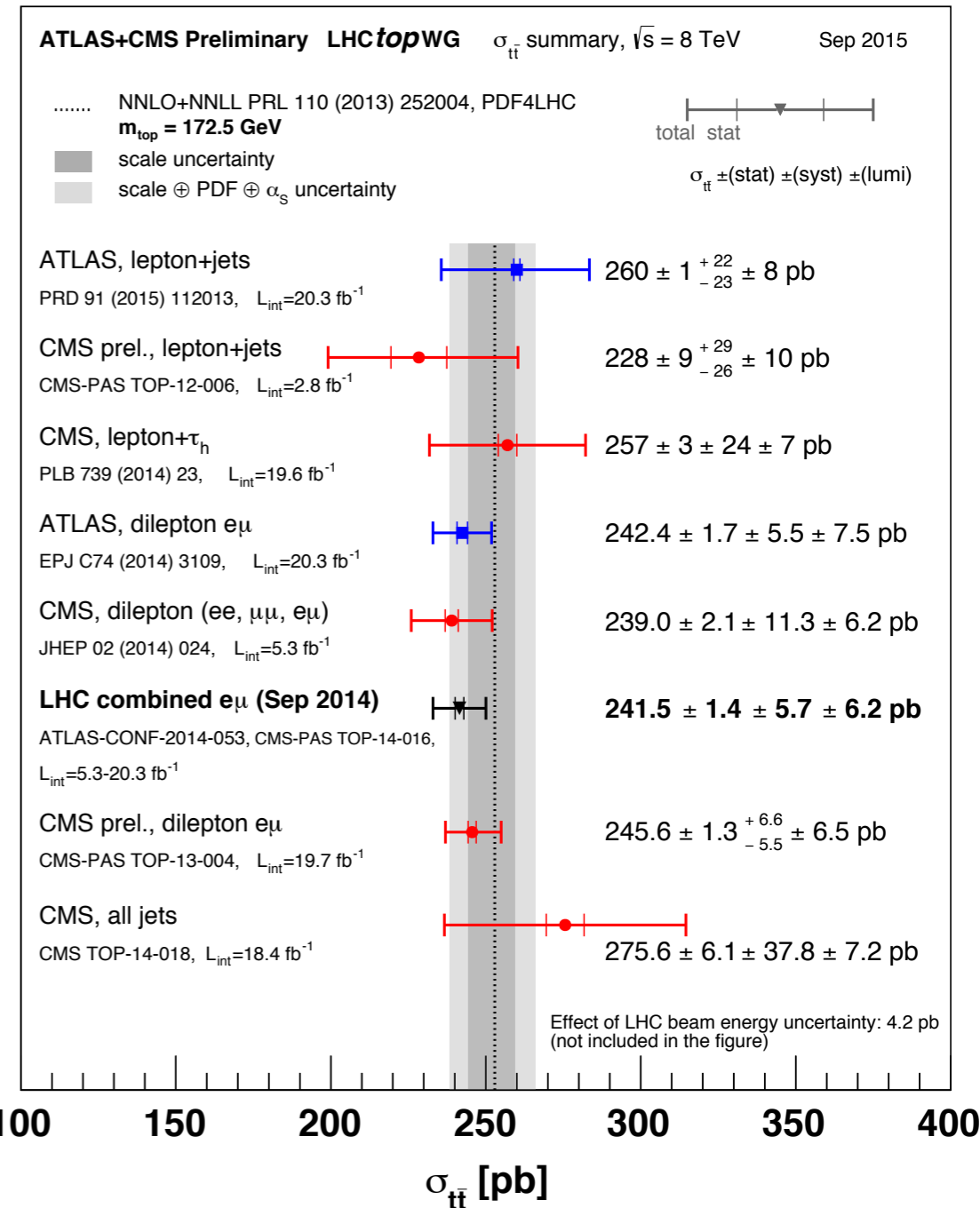
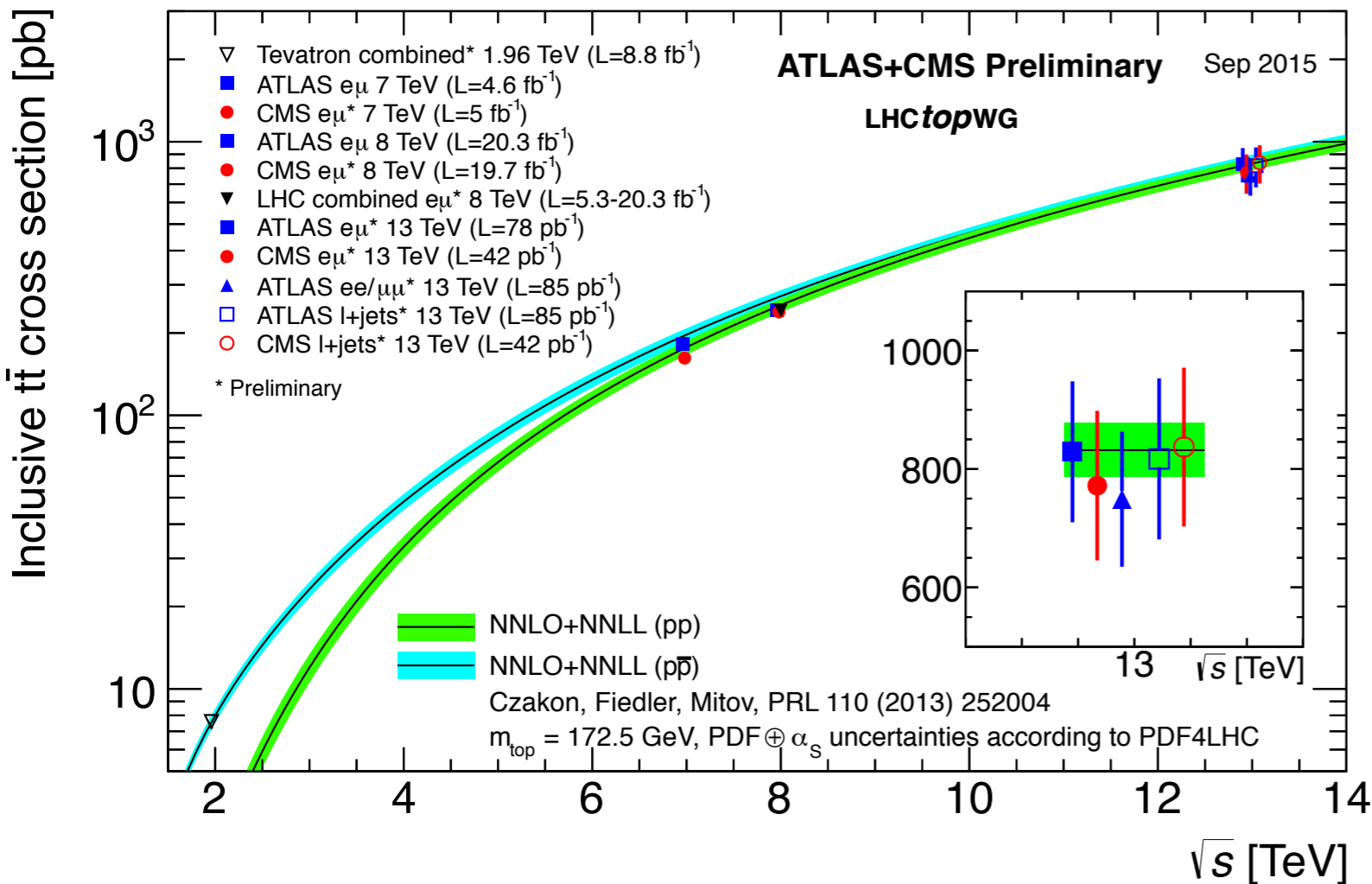
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Top quark pair summary



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- Most precise single measurements (8 TeV)
 - $242.4 \pm 9.5 \text{ pb}$ **3.9%**
 - $245.6 \pm 9.3 \text{ pb}$ [CMS update, not used]
- Combination:
 - $241.5 \pm 8.5 \text{ pb}$ **3.5%**

Top quark production: single top quark

tW production cross section

CMS TOP-14-009
ATLAS-CONF-2014-052

Input measurements:

- ATLAS (20.3 fb⁻¹):
 - eμ final state
 - 27.2 ± 5.8 pb
- CMS (12.2 fb⁻¹):
 - ee, eμ, μμ final states
 - 23.4 ± 5.4 pb
- Similar analysis strategies: BDT to separate signal and background

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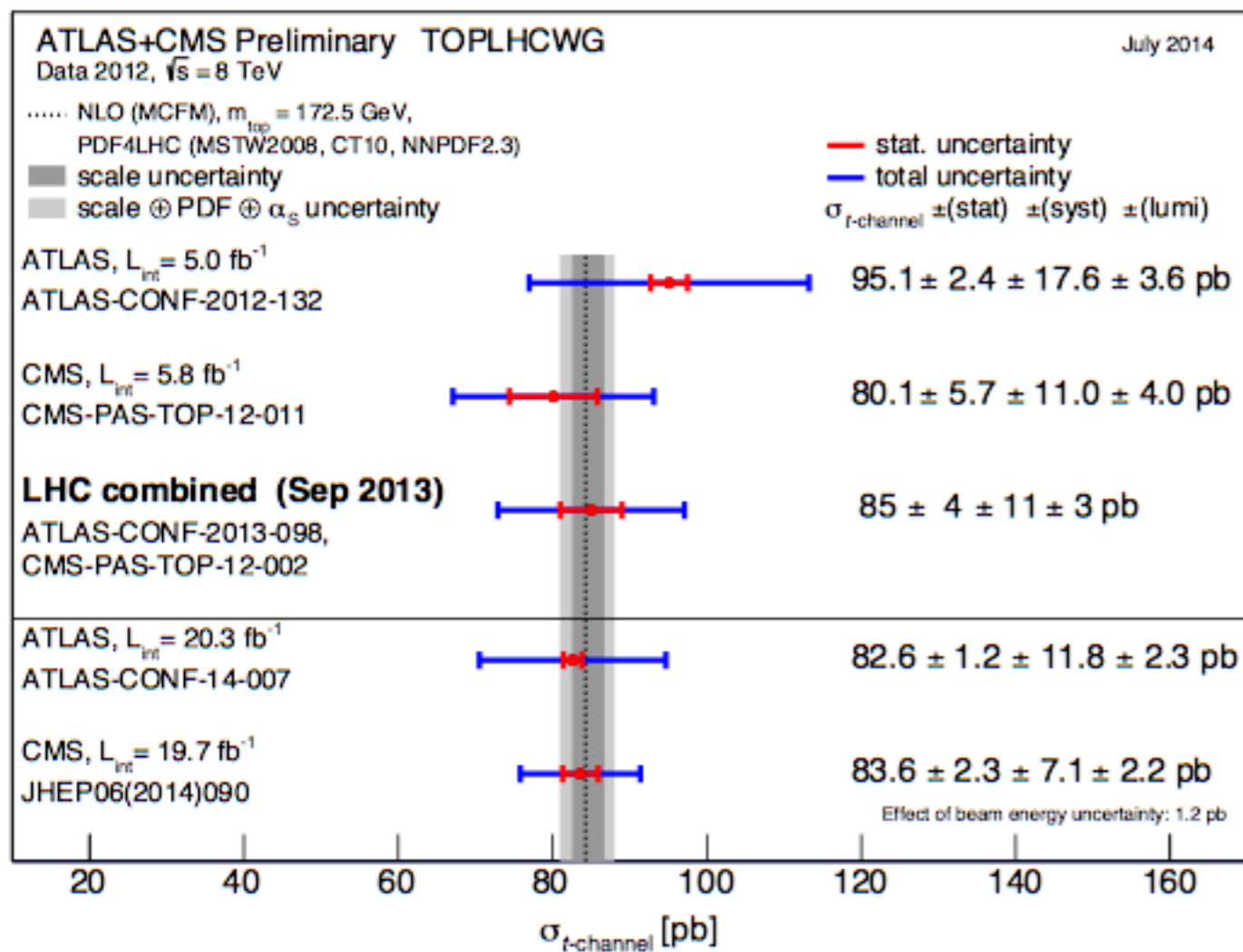
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Single top quark t channel

CMS TOP-12-002
ATLAS-CONF-2013-061

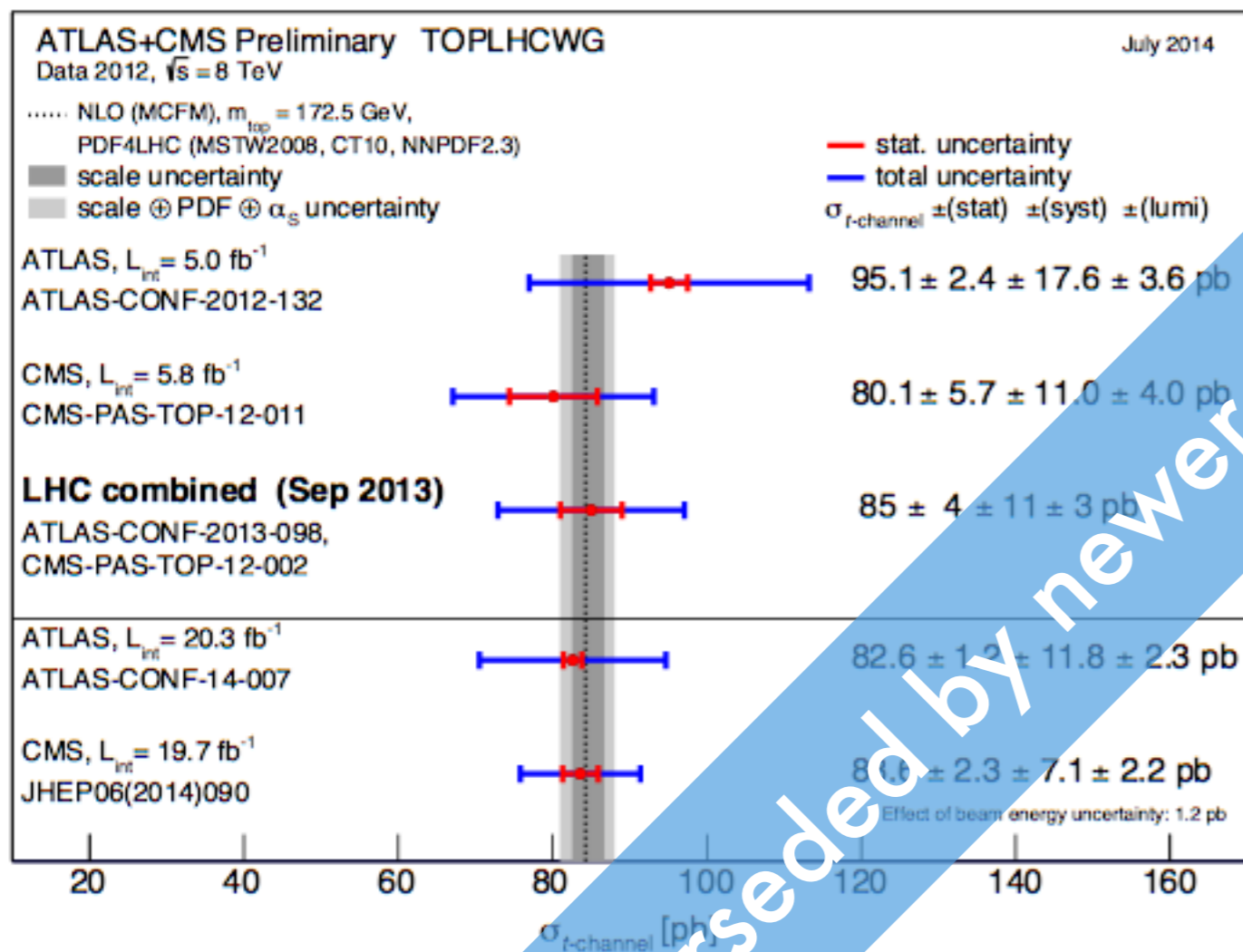


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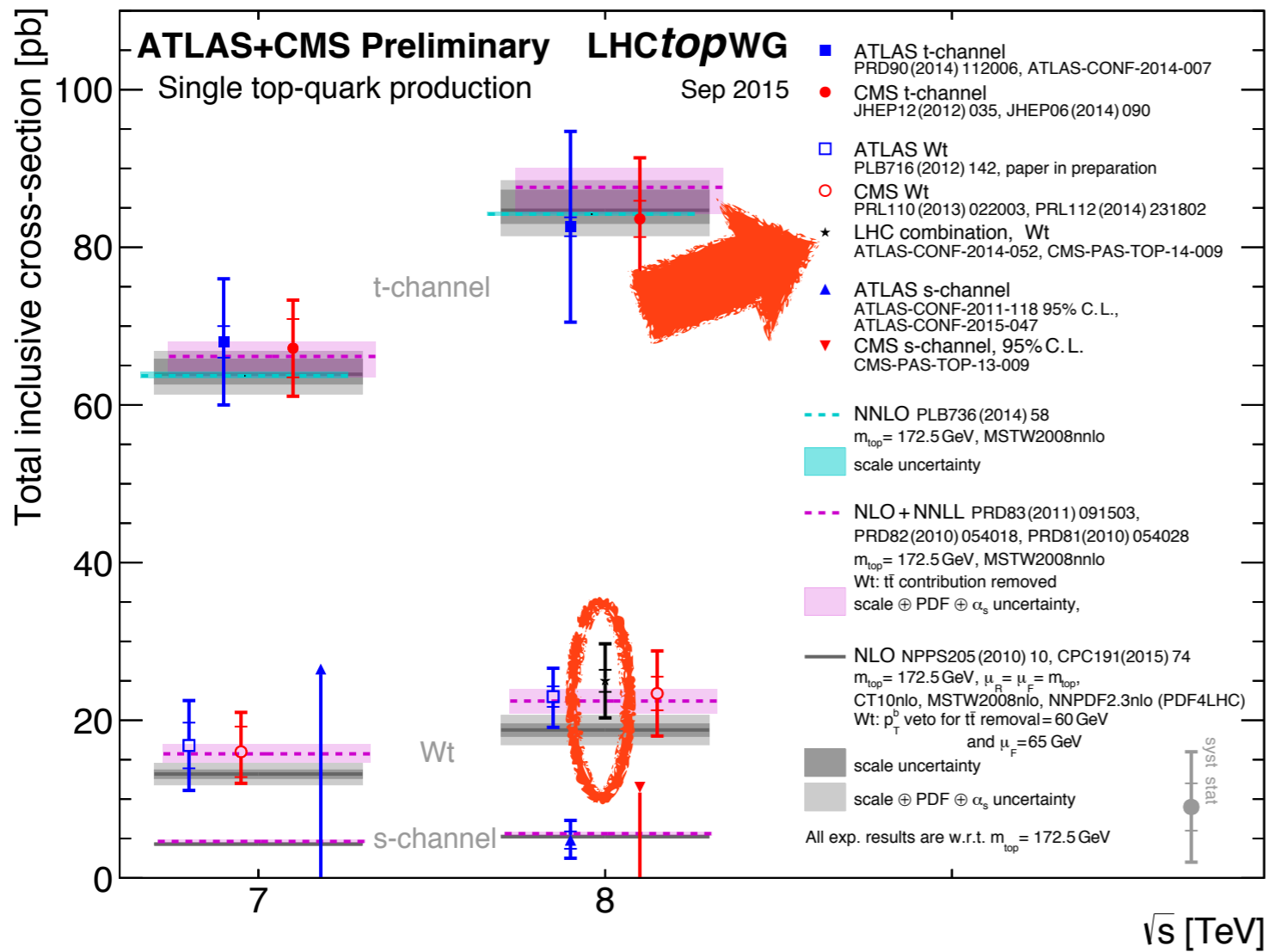


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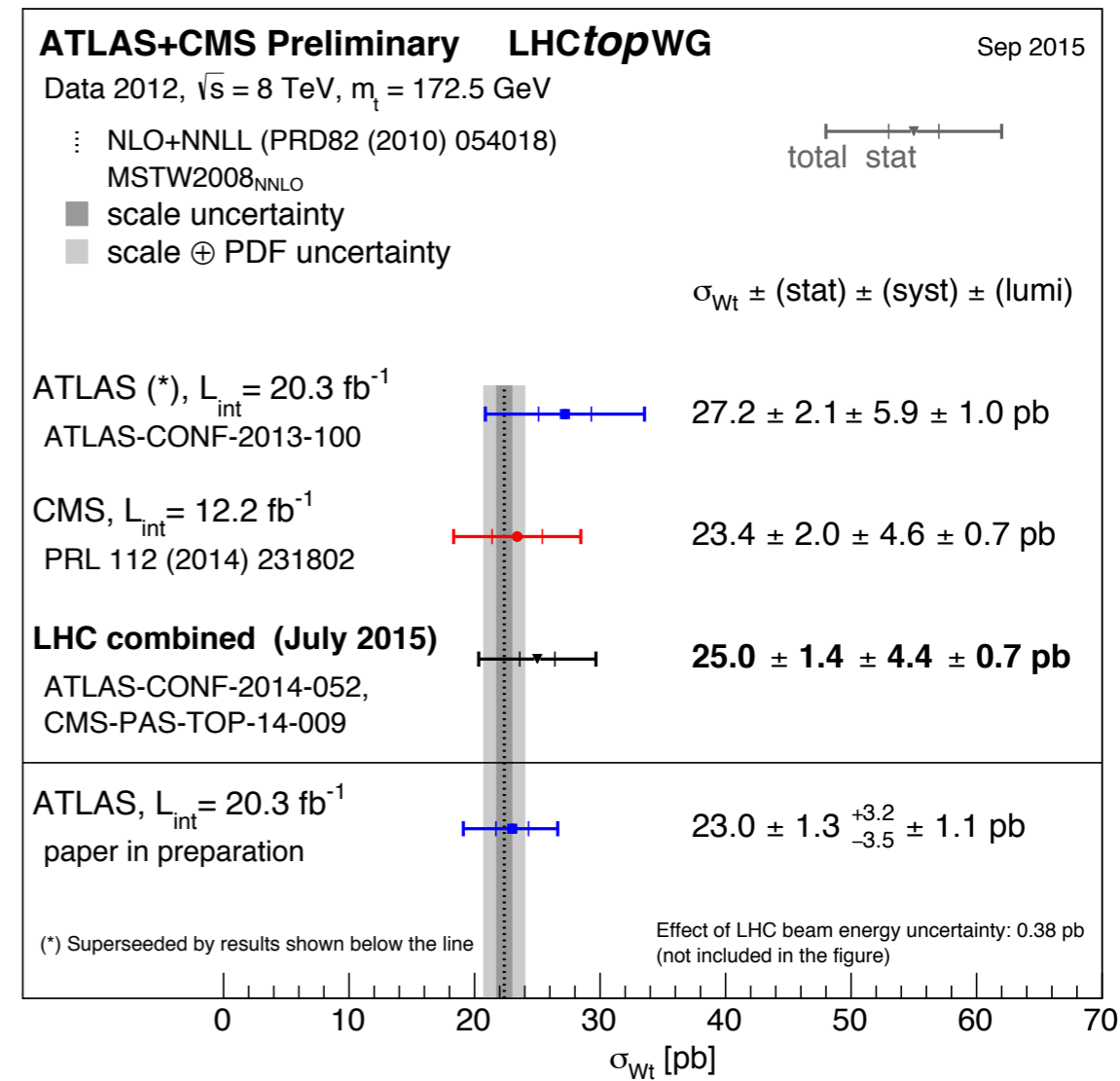
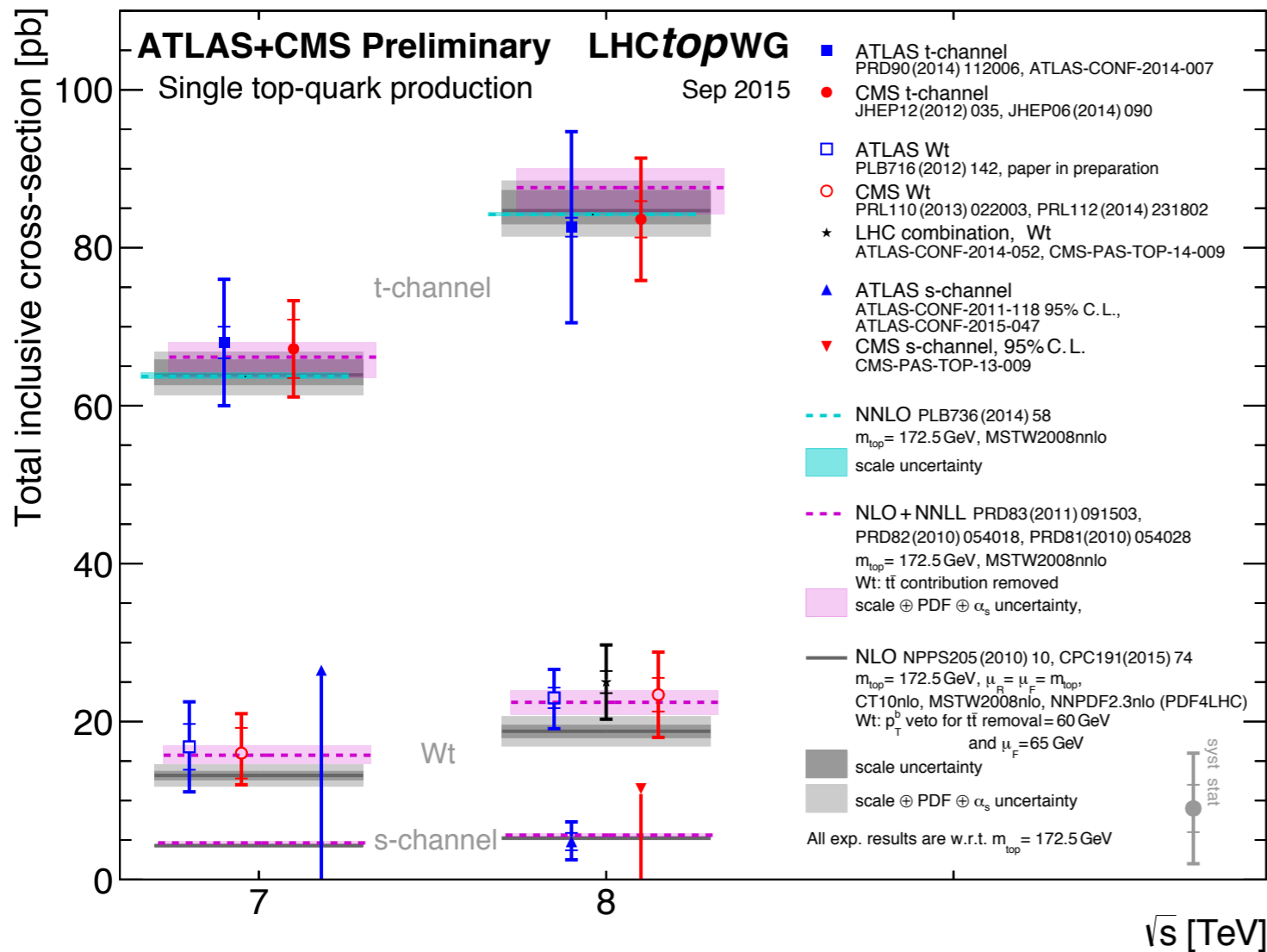
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Superseded by newer measurements

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21%

...until yesterday! 😊

- Combination:

- $25.0 \pm 4.6\text{ pb}$

19%

(New ATLAS measurement 17% [not used])

V_{tb} from single top quark production

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Assuming Wtb vertex is left-handed and V_{ts} and $V_{td} \ll V_{tb}$

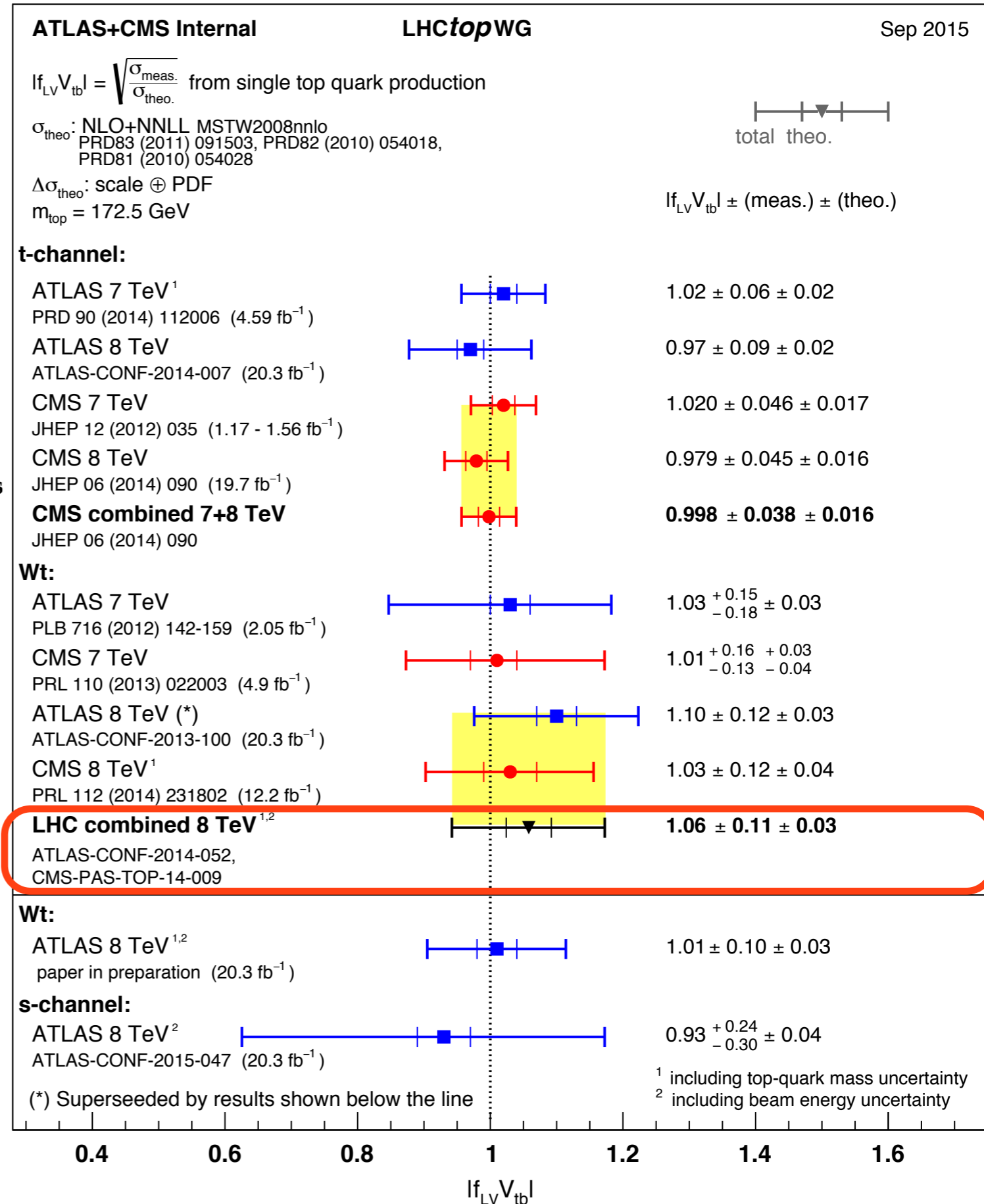
$$|V_{tb}| = \sigma_{\text{meas}} / \sigma_{\text{theor}}$$

Beam energy affects theory calculation: uncertainty 0.38 pb added

Top quark mass affects measurements and theory calculation: uncertainties added

Requiring $|V_{tb}| \leq 1$:

$|V_{tb}| > 0.79$ at 95% CL



Top quark properties

$t\bar{t}$ charge asymmetry (7 TeV)

CMS TOP-14-006
ATLAS-CONF-2014-012

pp collisions: on average quarks (valence&sea) carry more momentum than antiquarks (sea)

Top quarks rapidity distribution slightly broader than antiquarks

$$\Delta|y| = |y_t| - |y_{t\bar{b}}|$$

$$N^+ \Rightarrow \Delta|y| > 0$$

$$N^- \Rightarrow \Delta|y| < 0$$

$$A_C = \frac{N^+ - N^-}{N^+ + N^-}$$

Related to Tevatron asymmetry (excess seen), but much milder effect

Deviations from SM ($A_c = 0.0115 \pm 0.0006$) in new physics models

Using 1+jets final states at 7 TeV

$t\bar{t}$ charge asymmetry (7 TeV)

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ATLAS-CONF-2014-012

- ATLAS measurement: 4.7 fb-1
 - $A_c = 0.006 \pm 0.010$ [stat+sys]
- Unfolding:
 - Fully Bayesian Unfolding
 - Marginalization procedure for systematic uncertainties (likelihood used in unfolding is marginalized integrating out its dependency on nuisance parameters)
 - **For combination:** used uncertainties before marginalization to access systematic uncertainties one by one
 - $A_c = 0.006 \pm 0.010 \pm 0.005$ **[0.011]**
 - Model dependence: check dependence on $t\bar{t}$ kinematics using MC with various axigluon models

- CMS measurement: 5 fb-1
 - $A_c = 0.004 \pm 0.010 \pm 0.011$
- Unfolding:
 - Generalized matrix inversion method
 - No marginalization, original measurement used
 - Model dependence: check dependence on $t\bar{t}$ kinematics using pseudo-experiments with (model independent) asymmetries generated by reweighting

$t\bar{t}$ charge asymmetry (7 TeV)

	ATLAS	CMS	Comb.	Corr.
A_C	0.006	0.004	0.005	0.058
Statistical	0.010	0.010	0.007	0
Detector response model	0.004	0.007	0.004	0
Signal model	< 0.001	0.002	0.001	1
W+jets model	0.002	0.004	0.003	0.5
QCD model	< 0.001	0.001	0.000	0
Pileup+MET	0.002	< 0.001	0.001	0
PDF	0.001	0.002	0.001	1
MC statistics	0.002	0.002	0.001	0
Model dependence				
Specific physics models	< 0.001	*	0.000	0
General simplified models	*	0.007	0.002	0
Systematic uncertainty	0.005	0.011	0.006	
Total uncertainty	0.011	0.015	0.009	

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$$A_c = 0.005 \pm 0.007 \pm 0.006$$

χ^2 of combination = 0.012 Prob = 91%

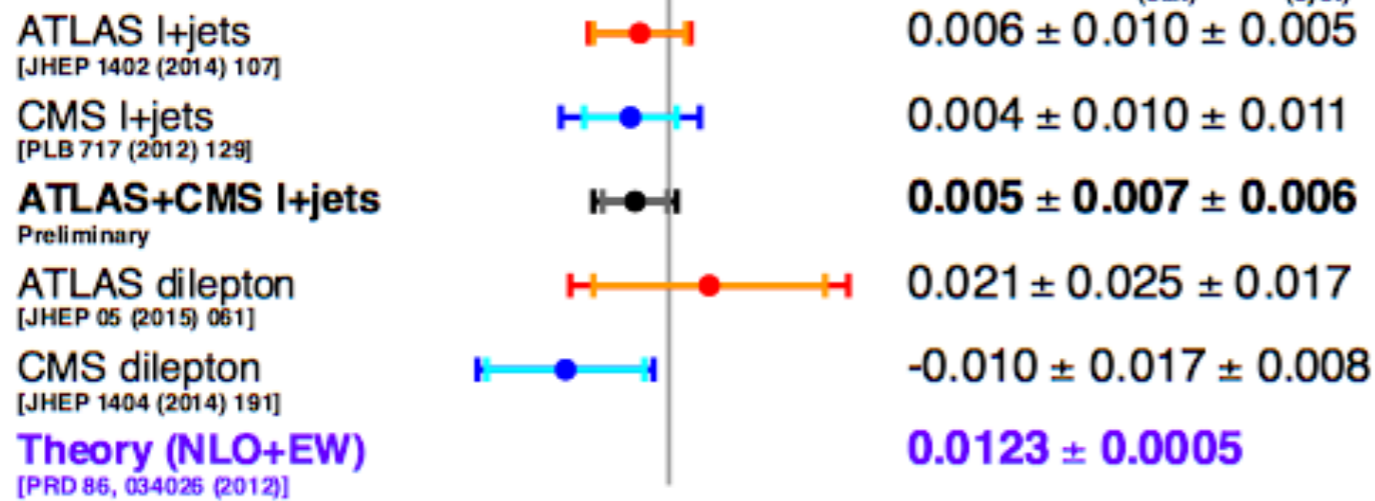
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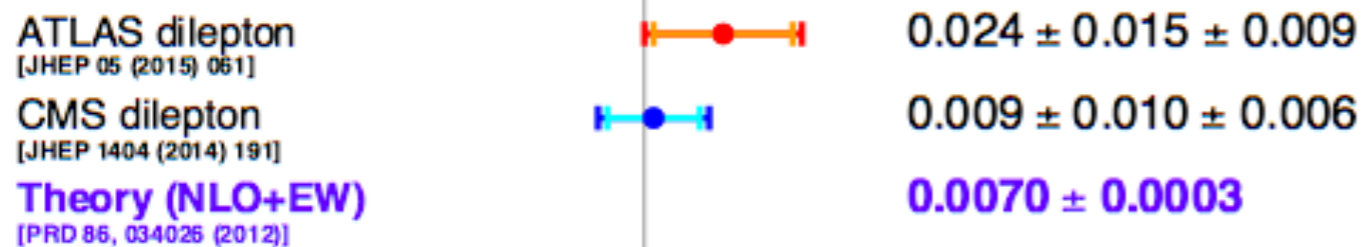
CMS TOP-14-006
ATLAS-CONF-2014-012

ATLAS+CMS, $\sqrt{s} = 7$ TeV Preliminary TOPLHCWG, May 2015

$t\bar{t}$ asymmetry



lepton asymmetry



- Most precise single measurement
 - 0.006 ± 0.011
- Combination:
 - 0.005 ± 0.009

10% improvement

W-boson helicity in $t\bar{t}$ decays

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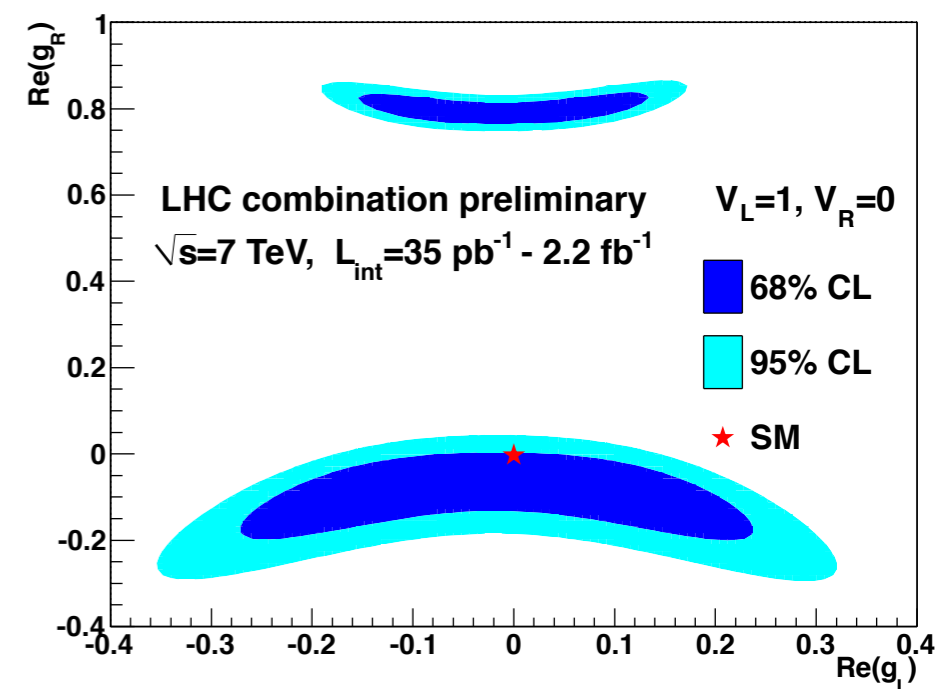
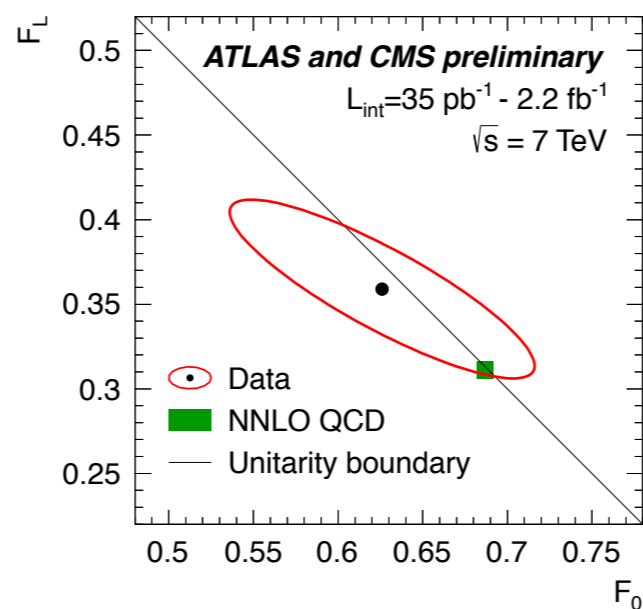
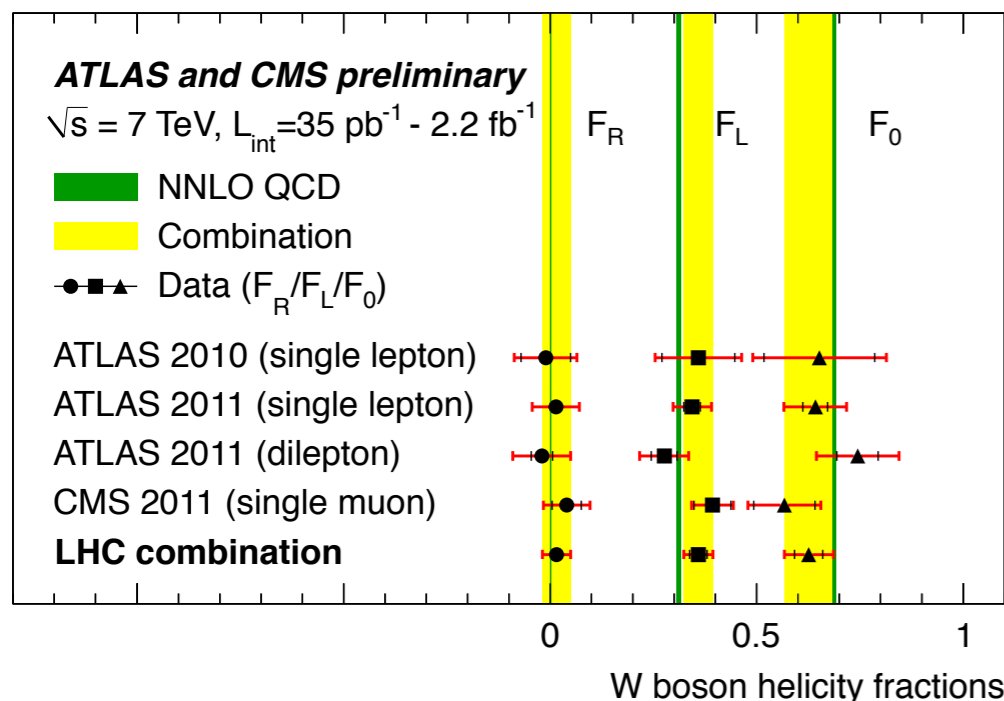
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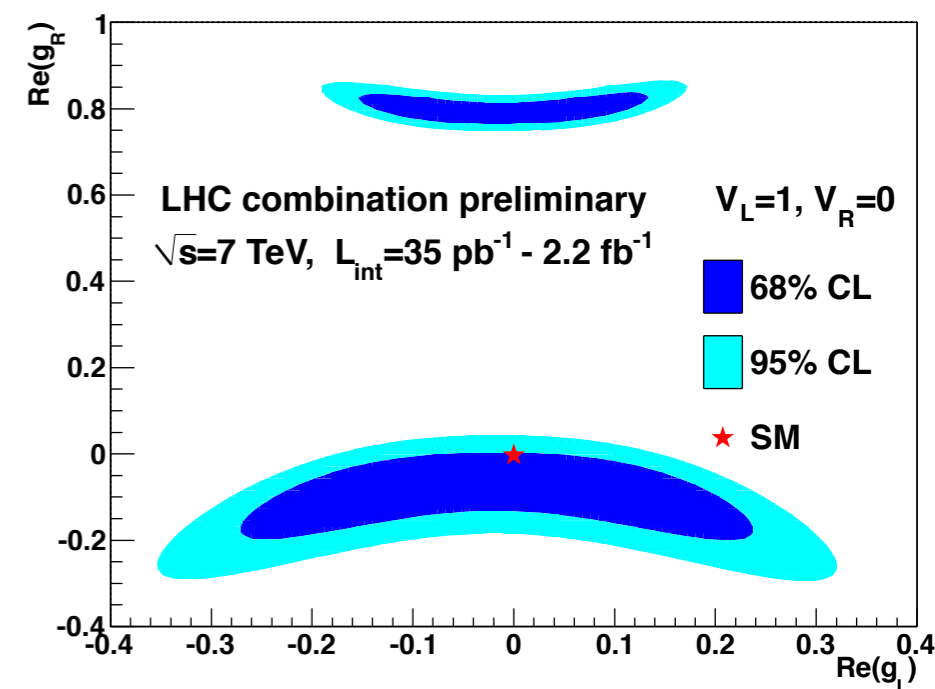
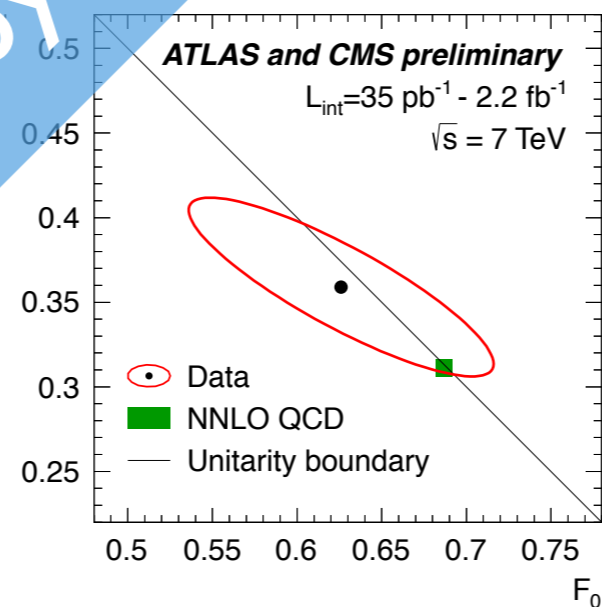
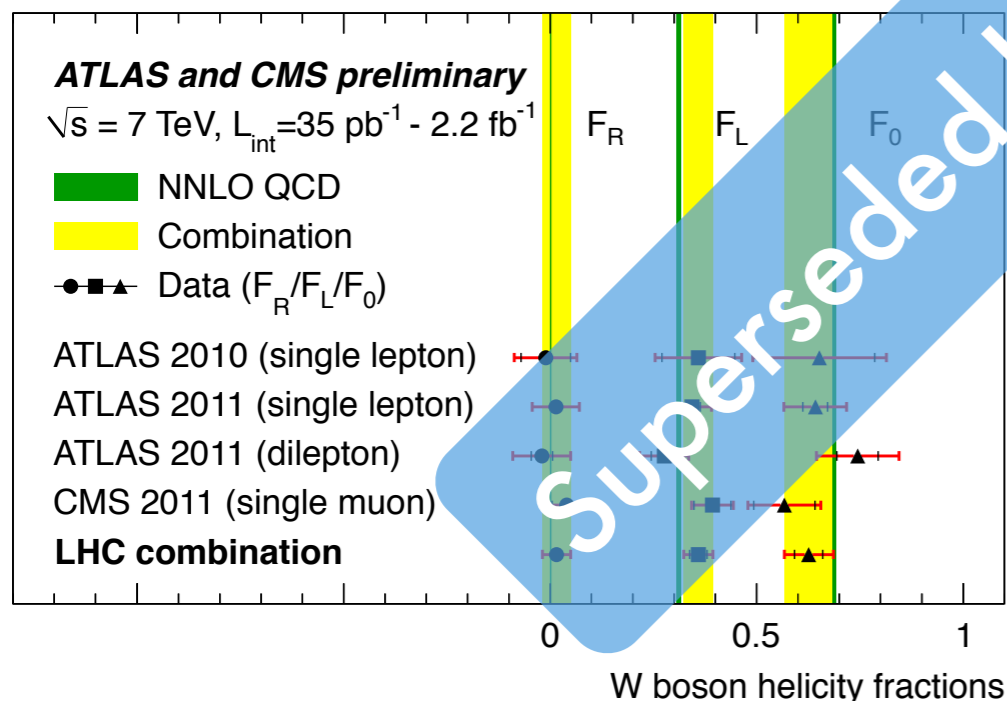
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Much of the work involved in combinations is “unseen”

Since 2011 Collaborations worked hard to understand / homogenize systematic uncertainties as much as possible

Examples:

- jet energy scale —> both experiments now estimate uncertainties subdivided in categories correlated/uncorrelated
- Initial/final state radiation widely debated in first combinations
 - for CMS: included in “renorm and factorisation scale uncertainties”
 - for ATLAS: alternative samples

CMS JME-14-003
ATLAS-PHYS-PUB-2014-020

Understand different
MC/tunes

For Run II: *a priori* work to compare Monte Carlo tunes/parameters

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NNLO+NNLL top-quark-pair cross sections

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Predictions for top-quark-pair cross sections at NNLO+NNLL soft gluon resummation (M. Czakon, A. Mitov, [Comput.Phys.Commun. 185 \(2014\) 2930](#)) in a common ATLAS-CMS effort. The goal is to provide a common production to be used by the ATLAS and CMS collaborations.

Prescription

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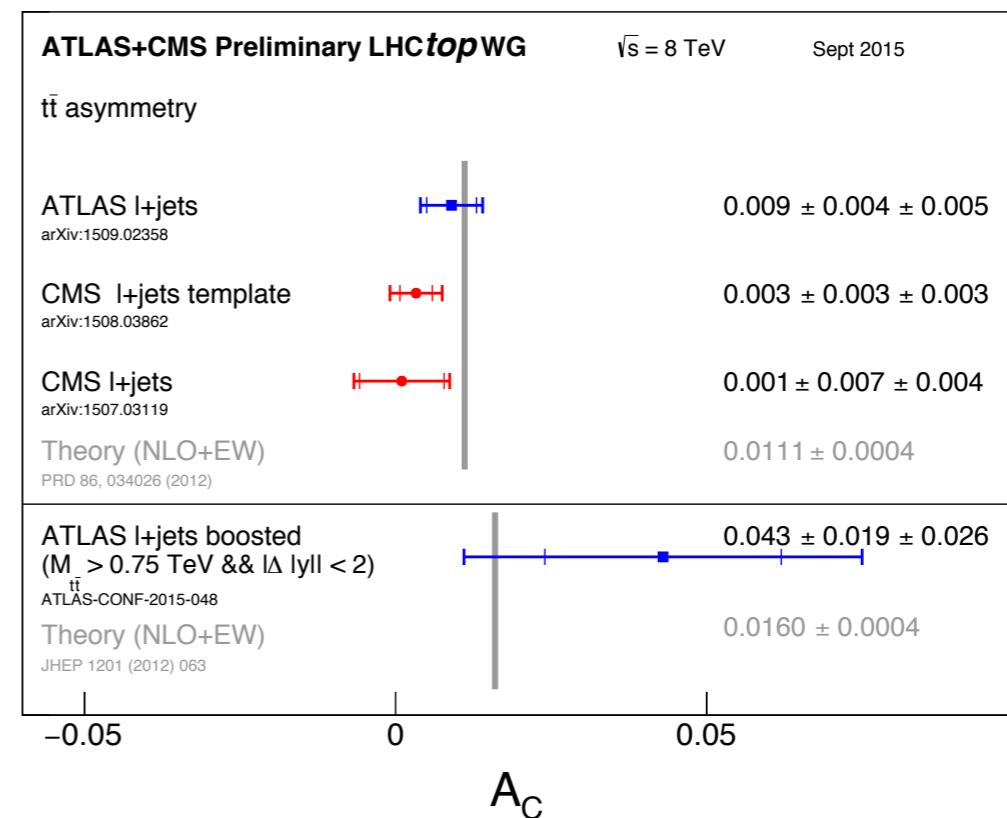
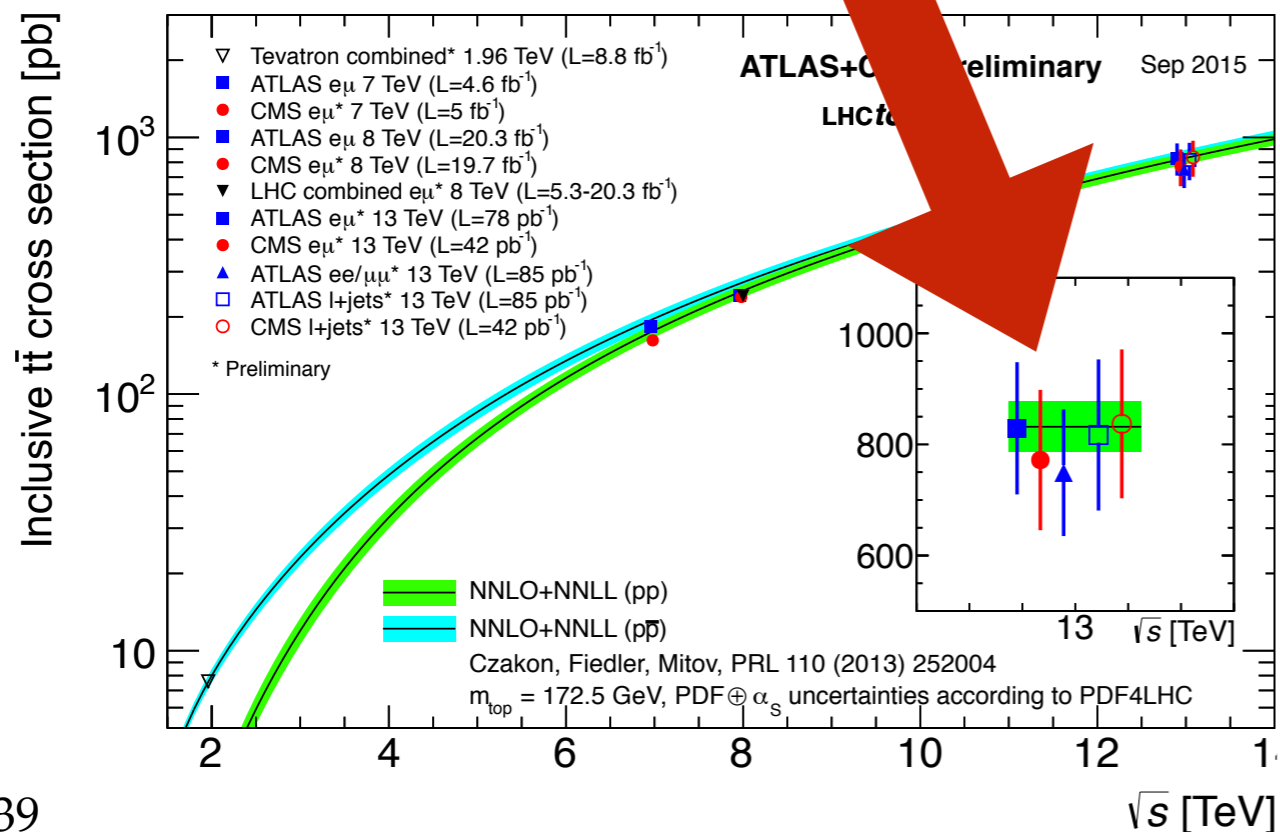
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 - Differential cross sections
 - detailed comparison of simulation: top p_T spectra was investigated
 - At 13 TeV, very high p_T : measurements on boosted regimes serious candidates
 - “Associated” top quark production (backgrounds to ttH)
 - $t\bar{t}W, t\bar{t}Z$
 - $t\bar{t}bb$
- Properties and more:
 - lepton asymmetry, spin correlations, top polarization, limits on anomalous couplings from single-top, R_b
 - Single top cross sections: inclusive; combine top / anti-top separately probes quark content of the proton (PDF)
 - Limits on FCNC from top decays and single top production

ongoing discussions
suggestions/possibilities

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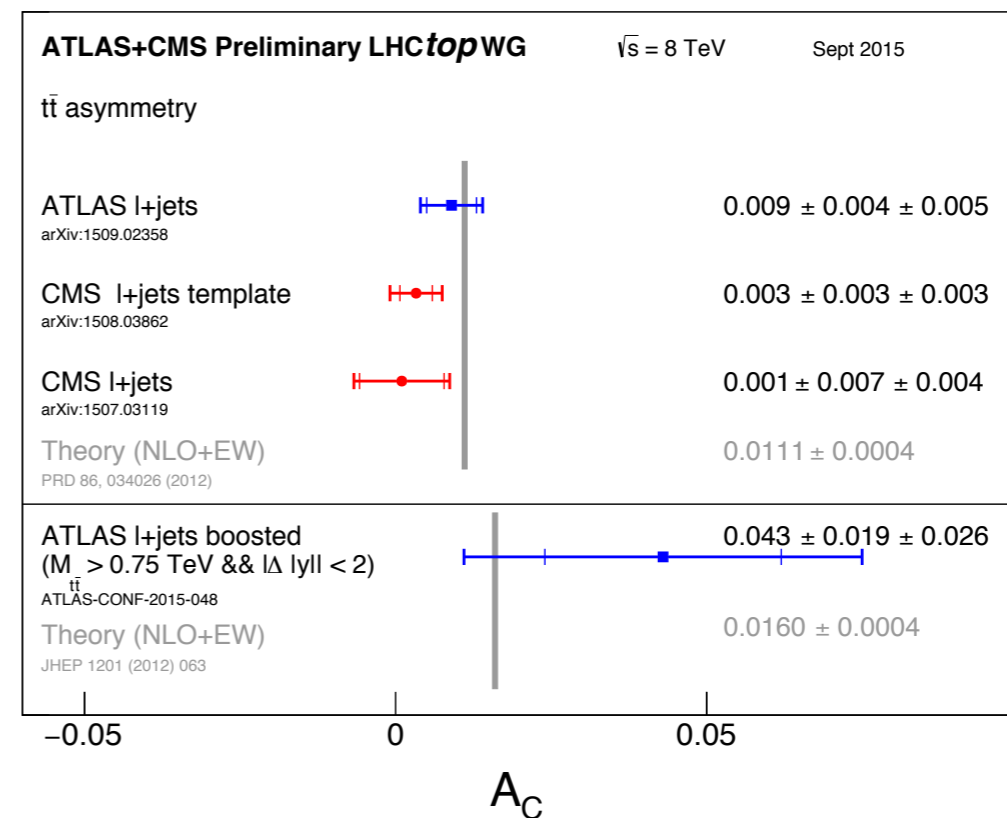
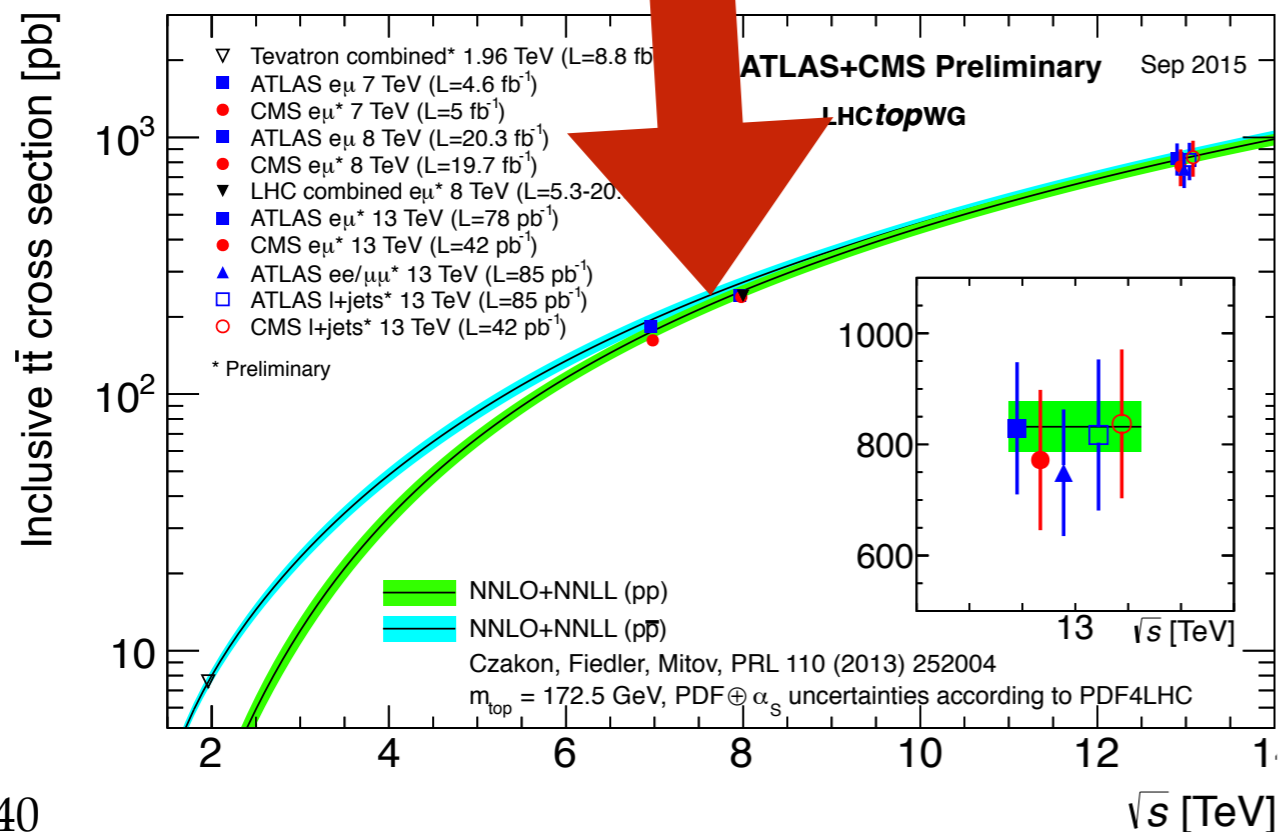
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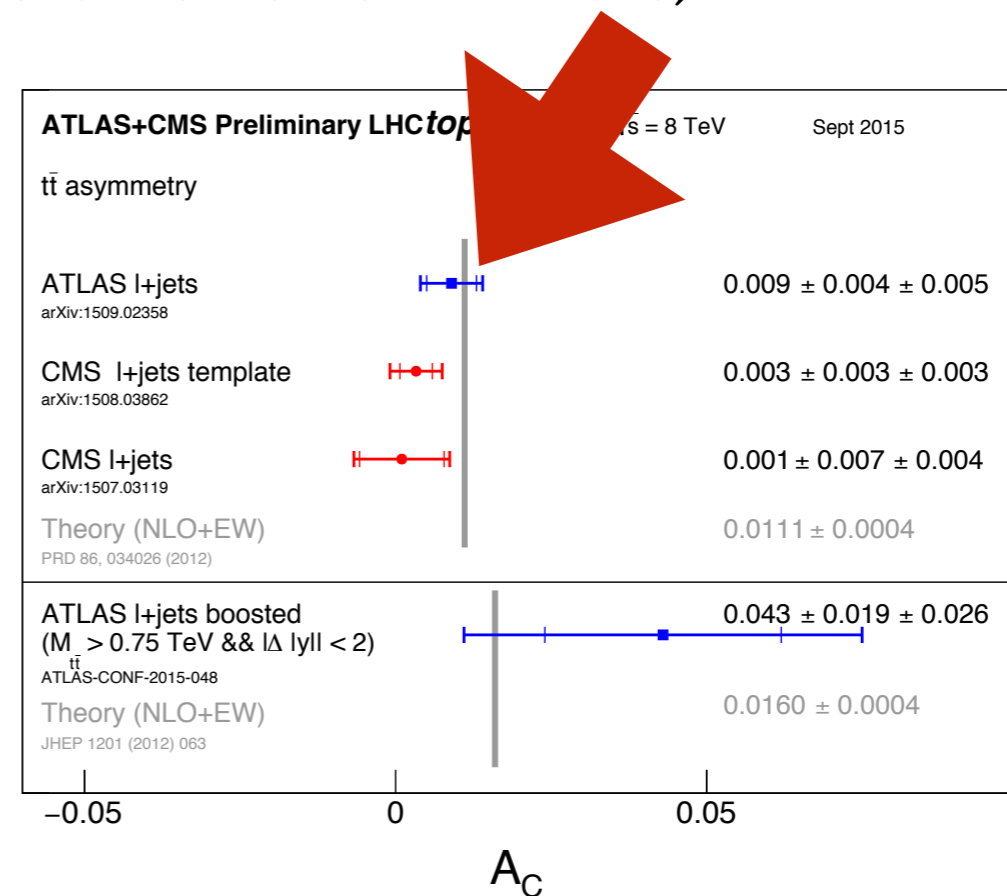
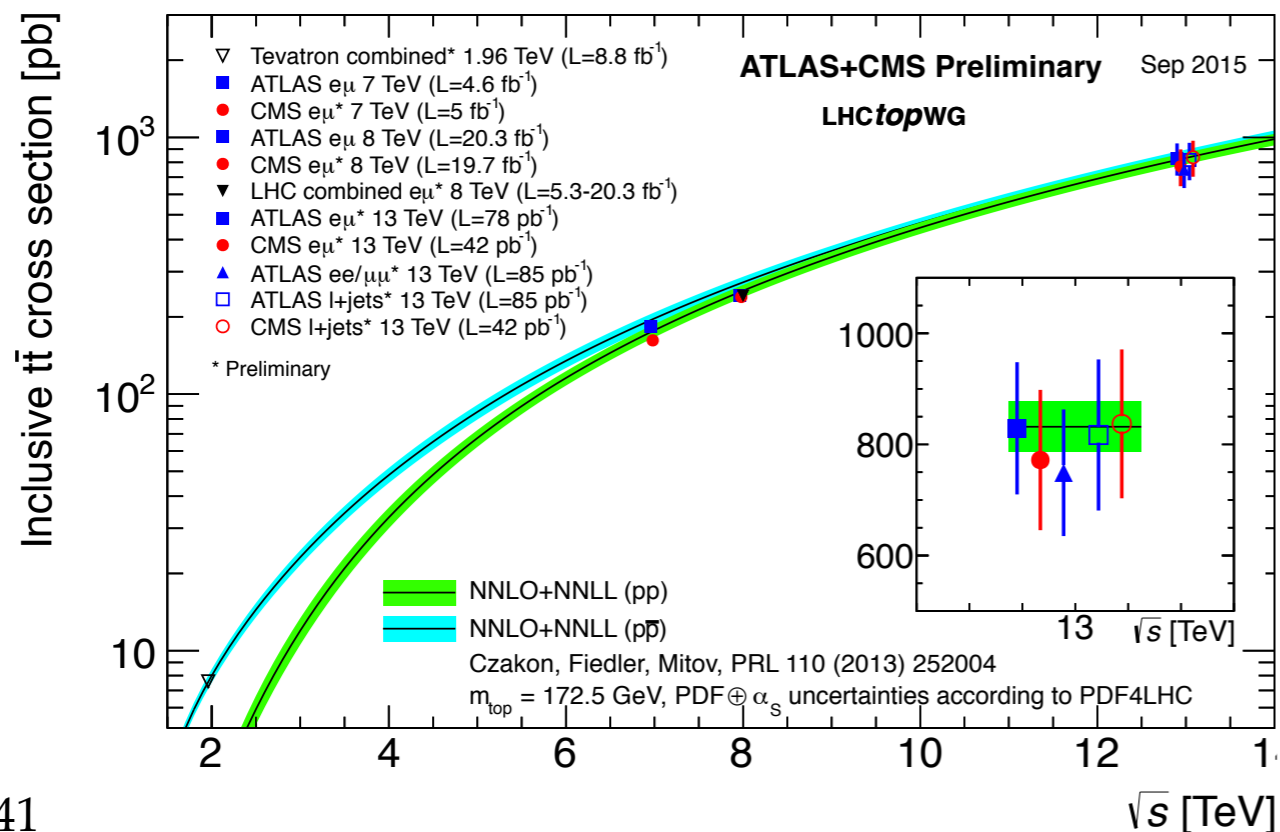
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 - **W boson helicity, single top cross section**
 - **V_{tb} from t-channel**
- Improve combinations using other methods?
 - **Combine likelihoods?**

ongoing discussions
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Summary and conclusions

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LHCTOPWG

activities:

- $t\bar{t}$ cross sections:
 - at 7 TeV
 - at 8 TeV: (improves precision w.r.t. “legacy” measurements)
- single top cross sections:
 - t-channel
 - tW-channel (until this conference, 3% improvement w.r.t. more precise)
- charge asymmetry (10% improvement w.r.t. more precise)
- W-boson polarization in top decays

Conclusions

Advantages of combinations go beyond precision:

- Forum for discussions, beneficial to the collaborations
 - Involving theorists on discussions helps improving consistency in theory modeling uncertainties
 - Checks consistency across experiments
- Early measurements combinations: exercise harmonization of systematics, methodologies, etc
- Exploits full LHC potential (systematics and statistics)...

...one way of maximizing the chances of seeing our so desired signs of new physics

Backup slides

Model uncertainties

Generator & Parton Shower

CMS: POWHEG+PYTHIA vs POWHEG+HERWIG

ATLAS: POWHEG+PYTHIA vs MC@NLO+HERWIG

$\sigma_{t\bar{t}}$ 8 TeV

Radiation

ATLAS: different PYTHIA tunes, guided by additional jets measurements

CMS: matching scale (Matrix Elements vs Parton Shower)

Scale

ATLAS: factorization and renormalization summed up; POWHEG (NLO)

CMS: factorization and renormalization simultaneously; MADGRAPH+
PYTHIA (LO)

top pair Generator & Parton Shower

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tW Generator & Parton Shower

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CMS: Diagram Subtraction vs Diagram Removal schemes

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