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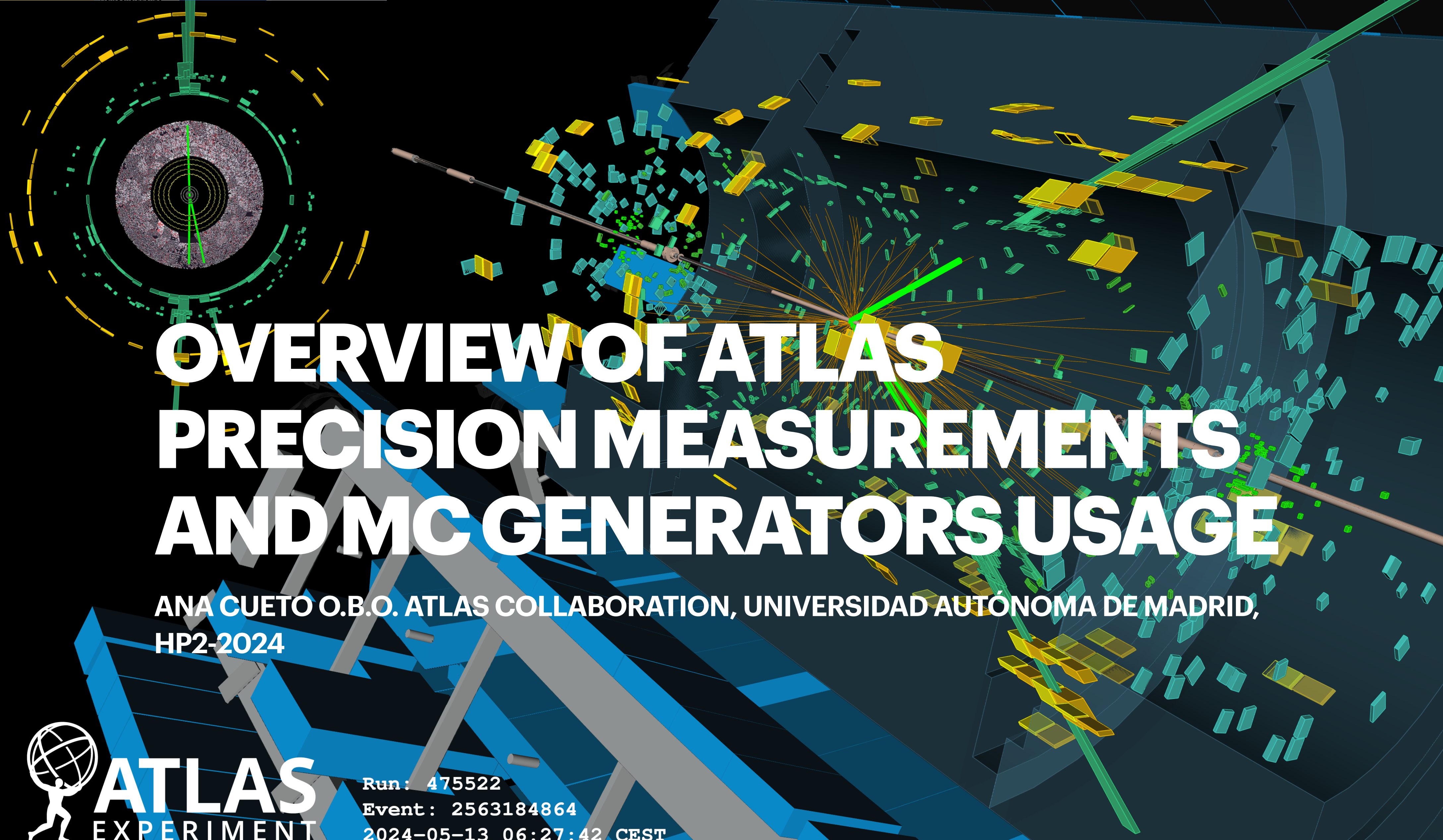
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# OVERVIEW OF ATLAS PRECISION MEASUREMENTS AND MC GENERATORS USAGE

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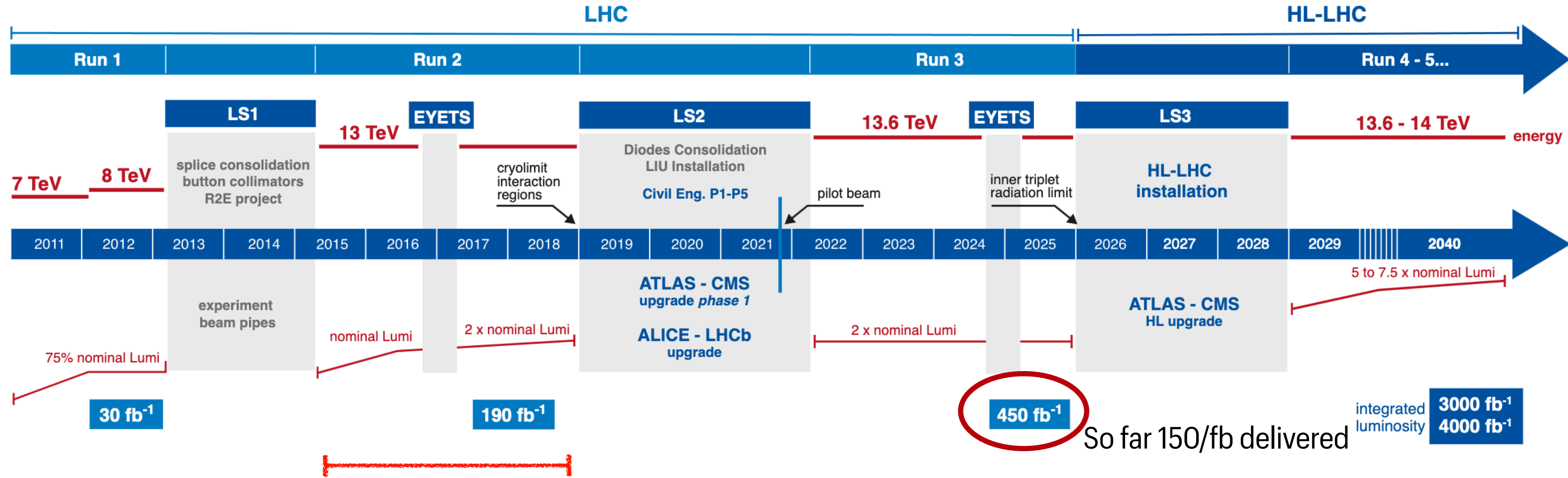


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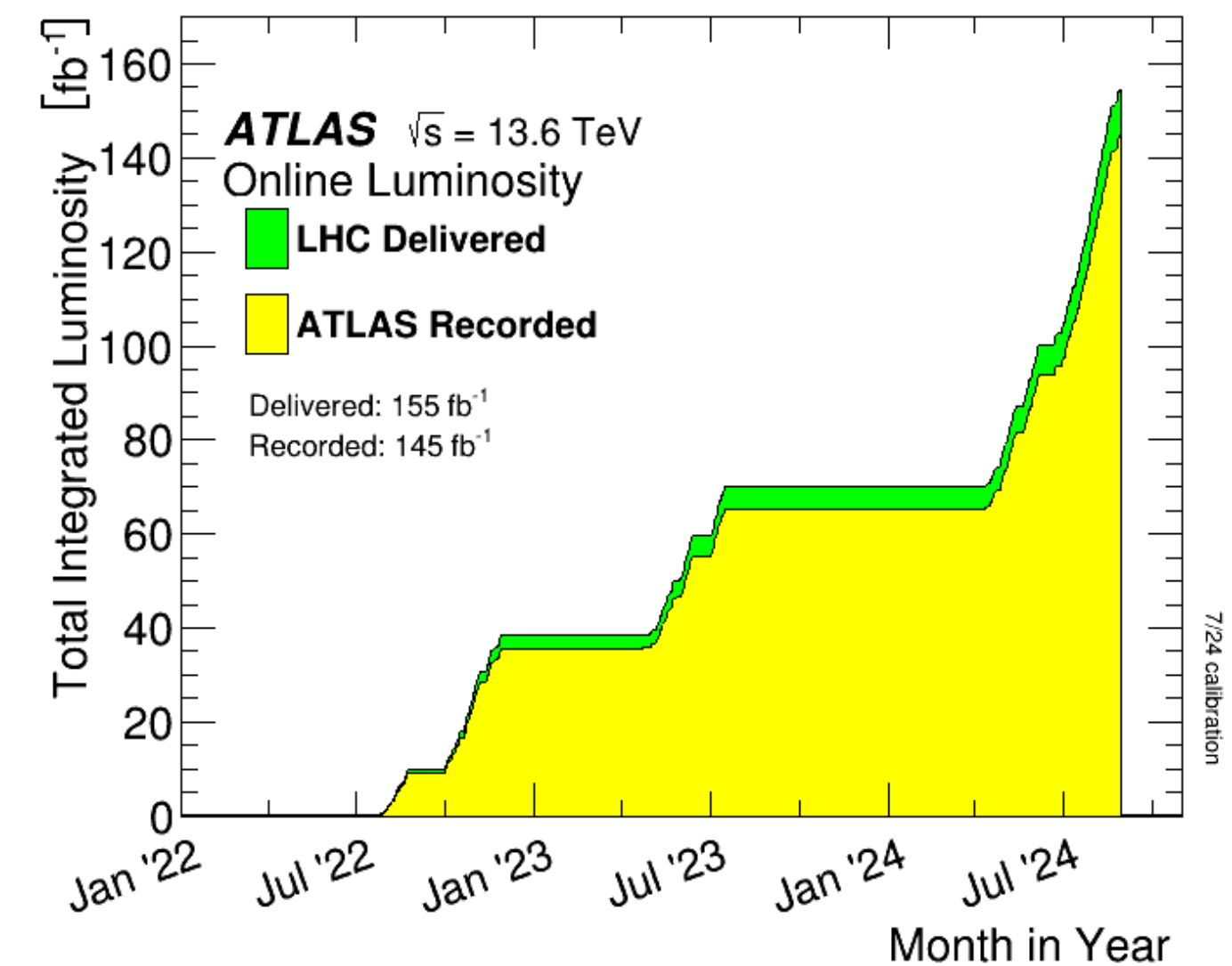
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# LHC PLAN AND STATUS



Best known data-set



# ATLAS PRECISION PHYSICS PROGRAMME

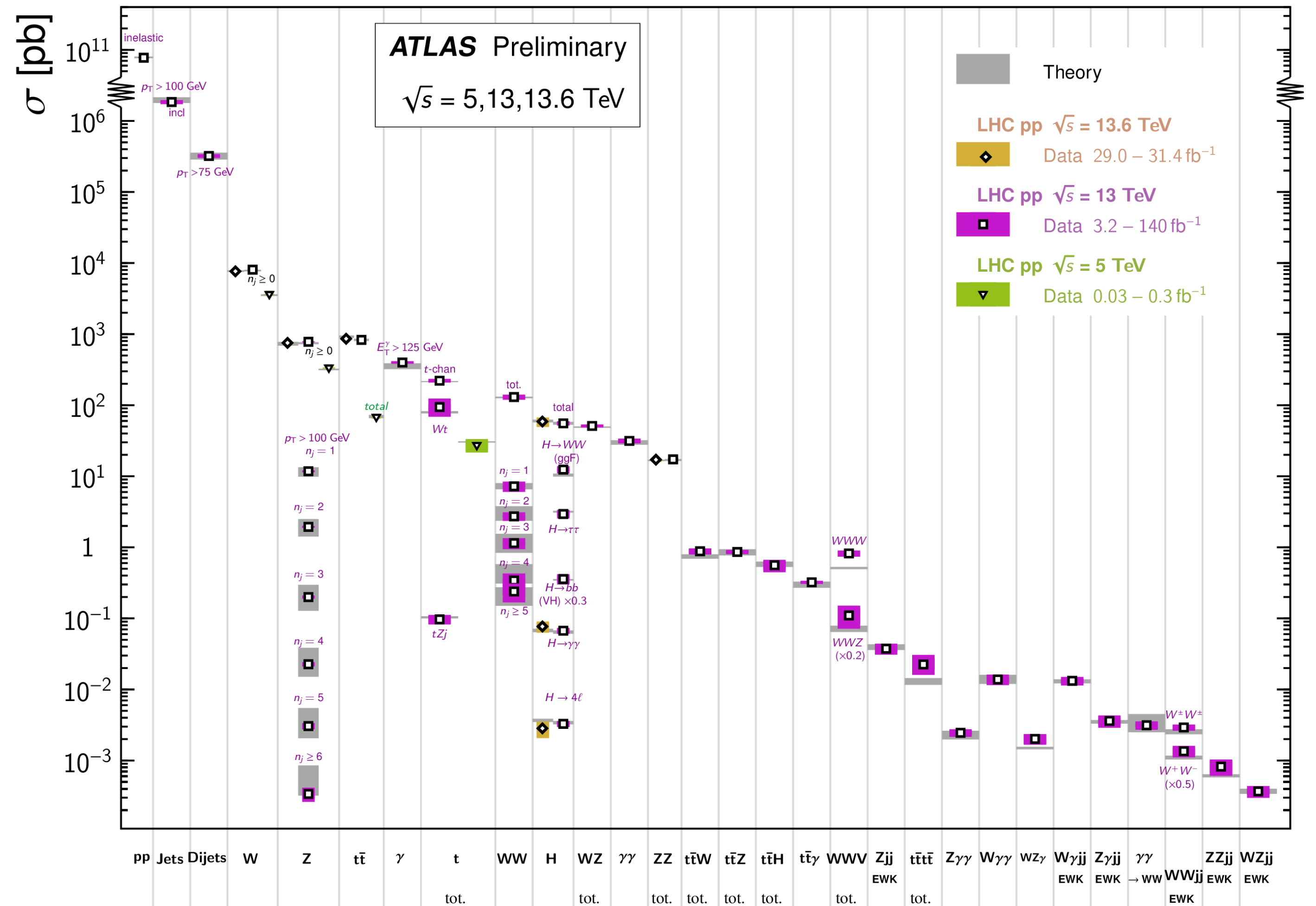
- ➔ Jets and photons
- ➔ Electroweak precision measurements
- ➔ W/Z + jets
- ➔ Top production
- ➔ Higgs
- ➔ Multi-boson measurements

★ **Caveat: Heavy ion not covered in the talk**

★ **Only few results shown. ATLAS results public pages: [SM](#), [Top](#), [Higgs](#), [diHiggs](#), [B-Physics](#) and [light states](#)**

Standard Model Production Cross Section Measurements

Status: June 2024

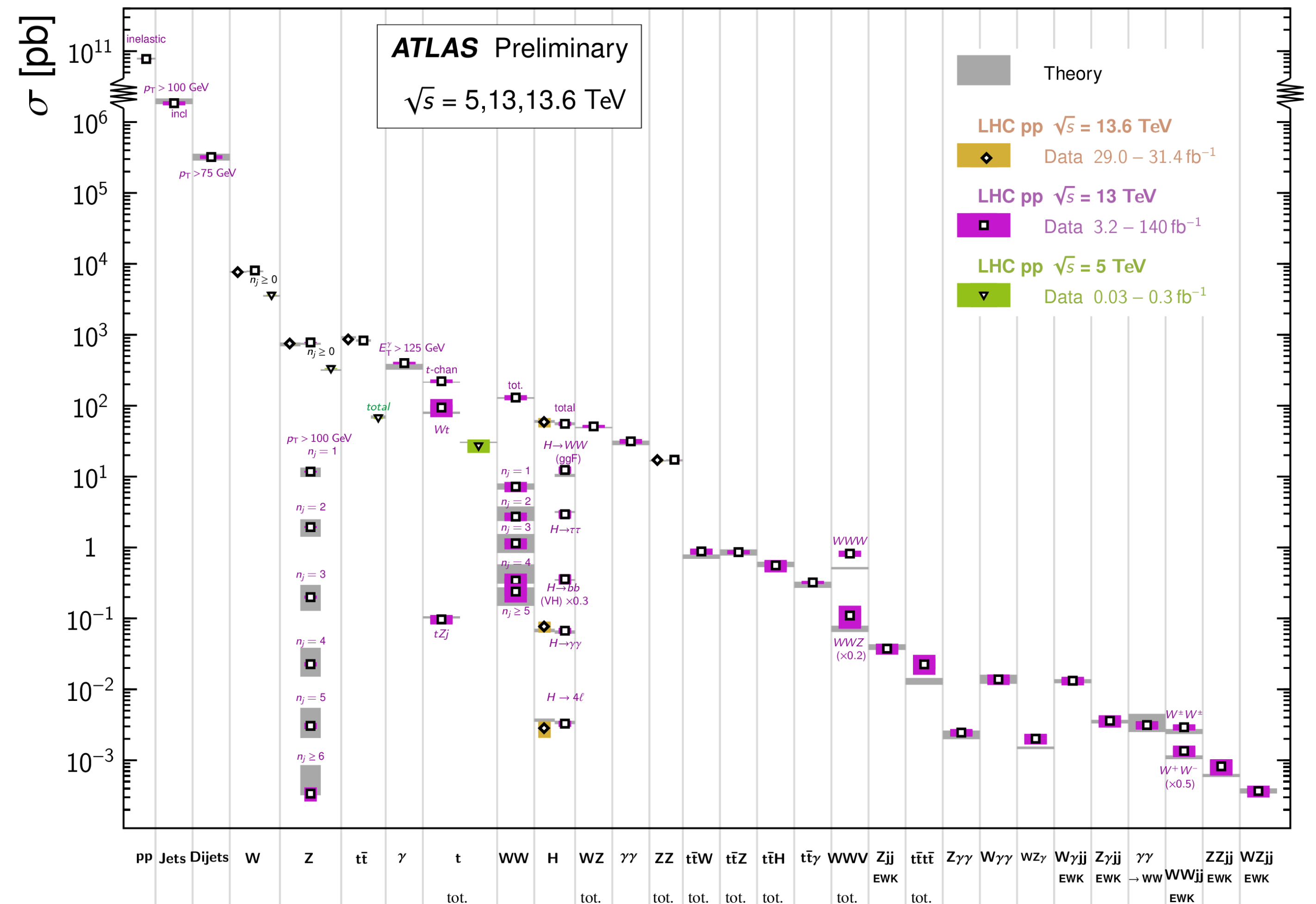


# ATLAS PRECISION PHYSICS PROGRAMME

- ATLAS has a wide programme of Standard Model physics with different groups focused on different final states (SM, Top, Higgs and DiHiggs)
- Measurements of total or fiducial differential cross sections, SM parameters, but also new avenues of testing the SM (polarisation, entanglement,...) and new methodologies (e.g. unbinned cross sections)
- Large number of observation of rare SM processes during Run 2 (diboson VBS, photon induced, triboson, 4tops) and new Higgs decay channels
- Similar programme in Run 3 benefitting of the updates in the detector (e.g. New Small Wheel) and performance (e.g. x4 better b-tagging background rejection)

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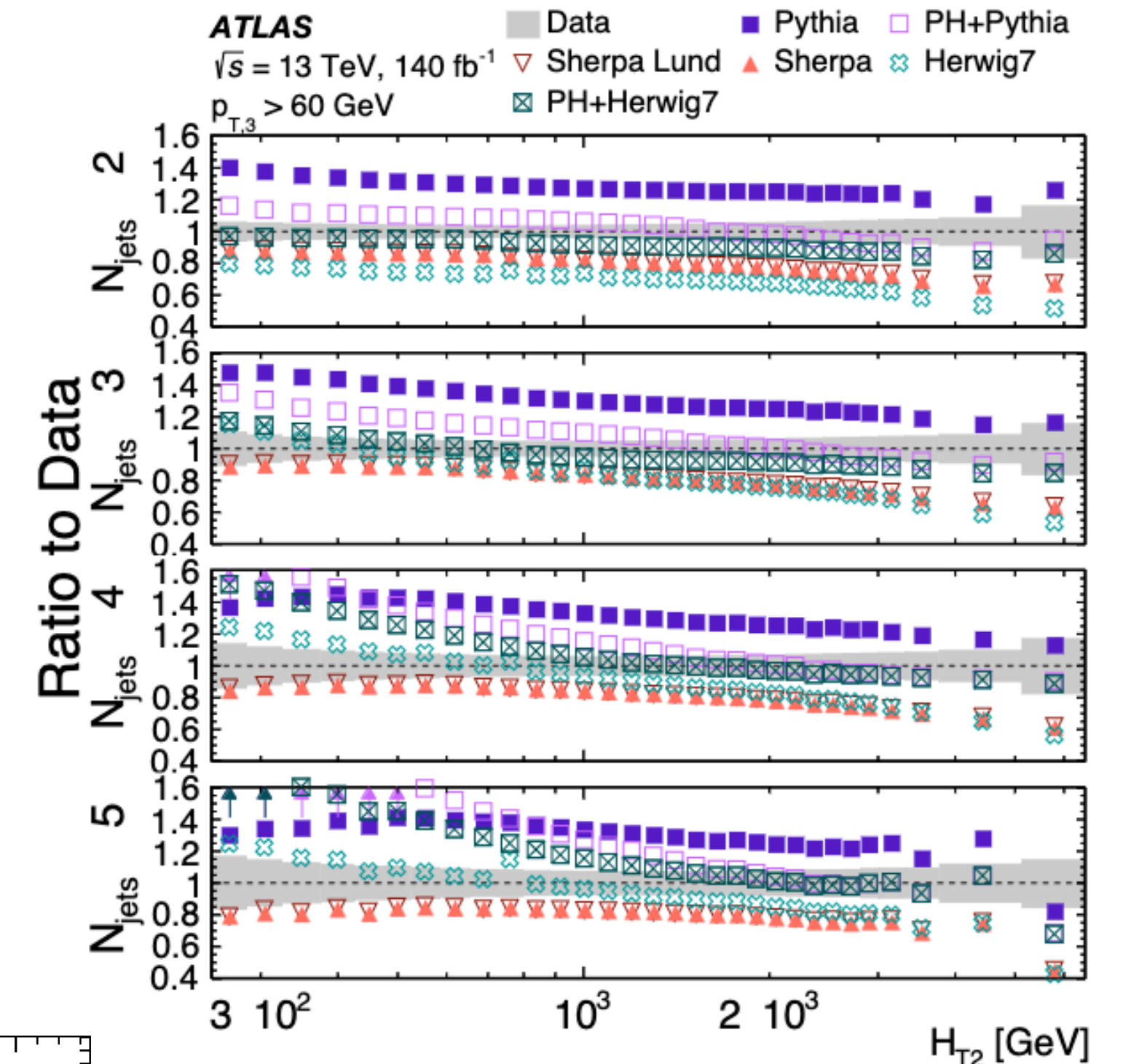
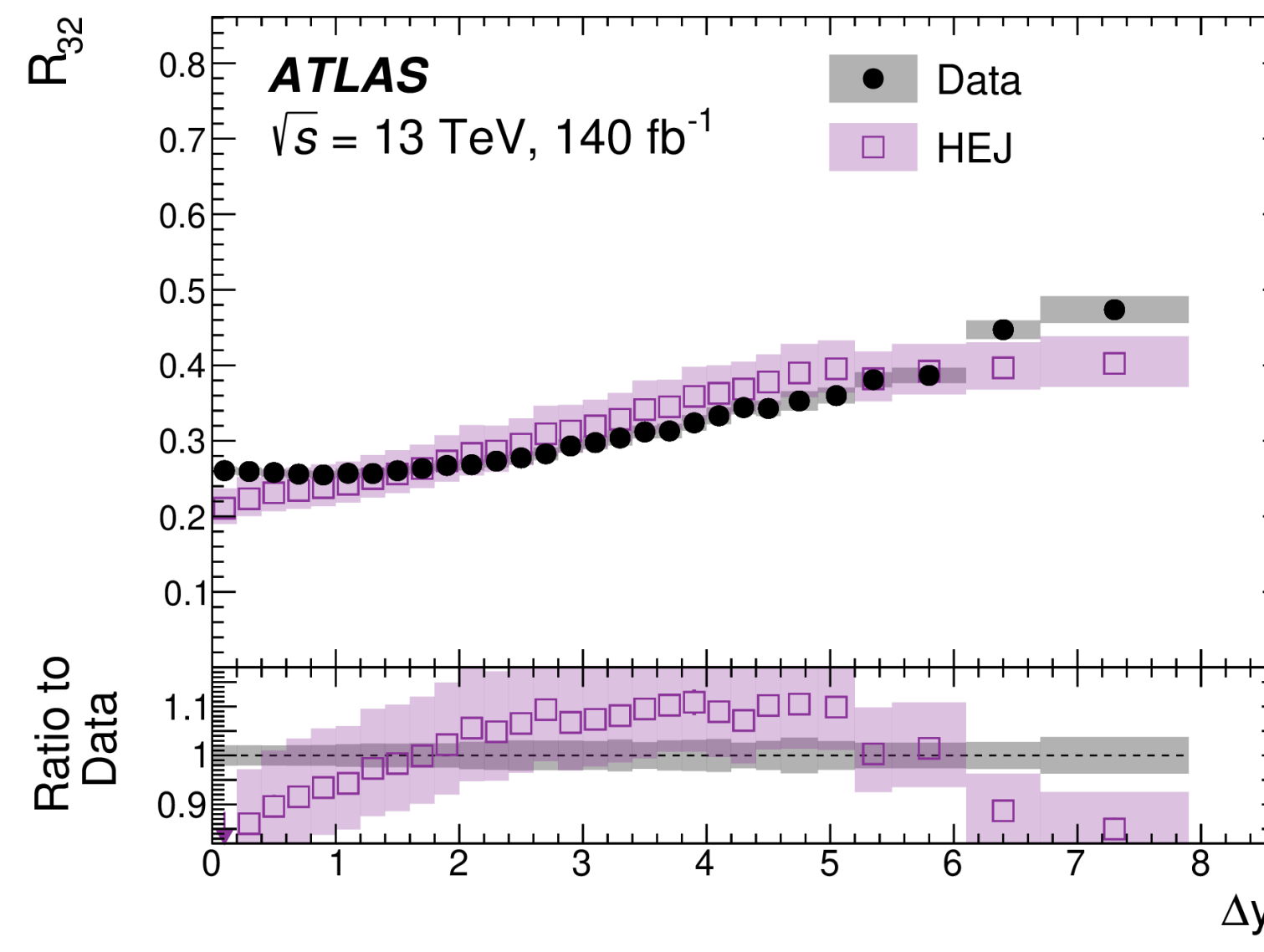
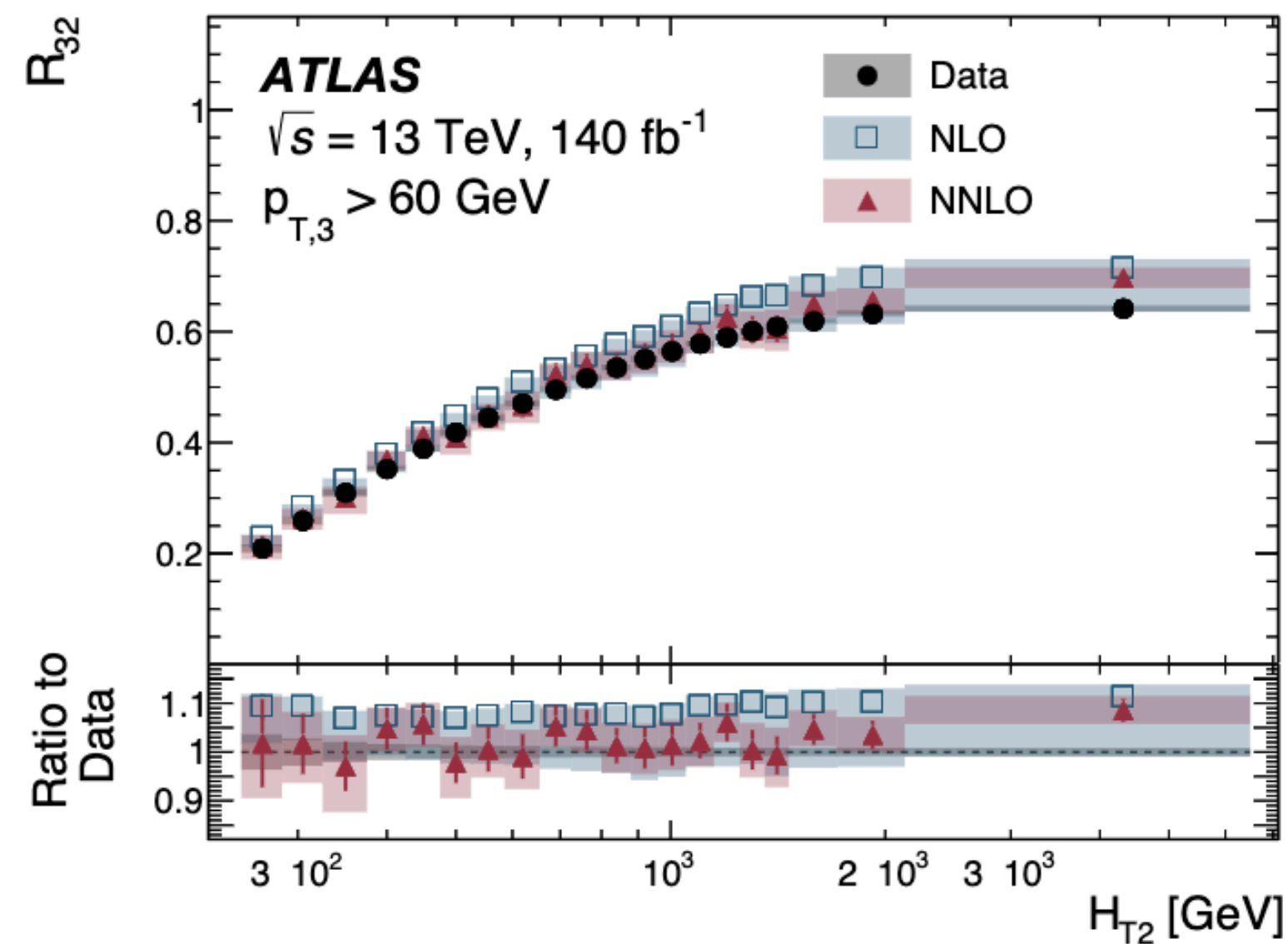


# JETS PHYSICS: R3/2 RATIO

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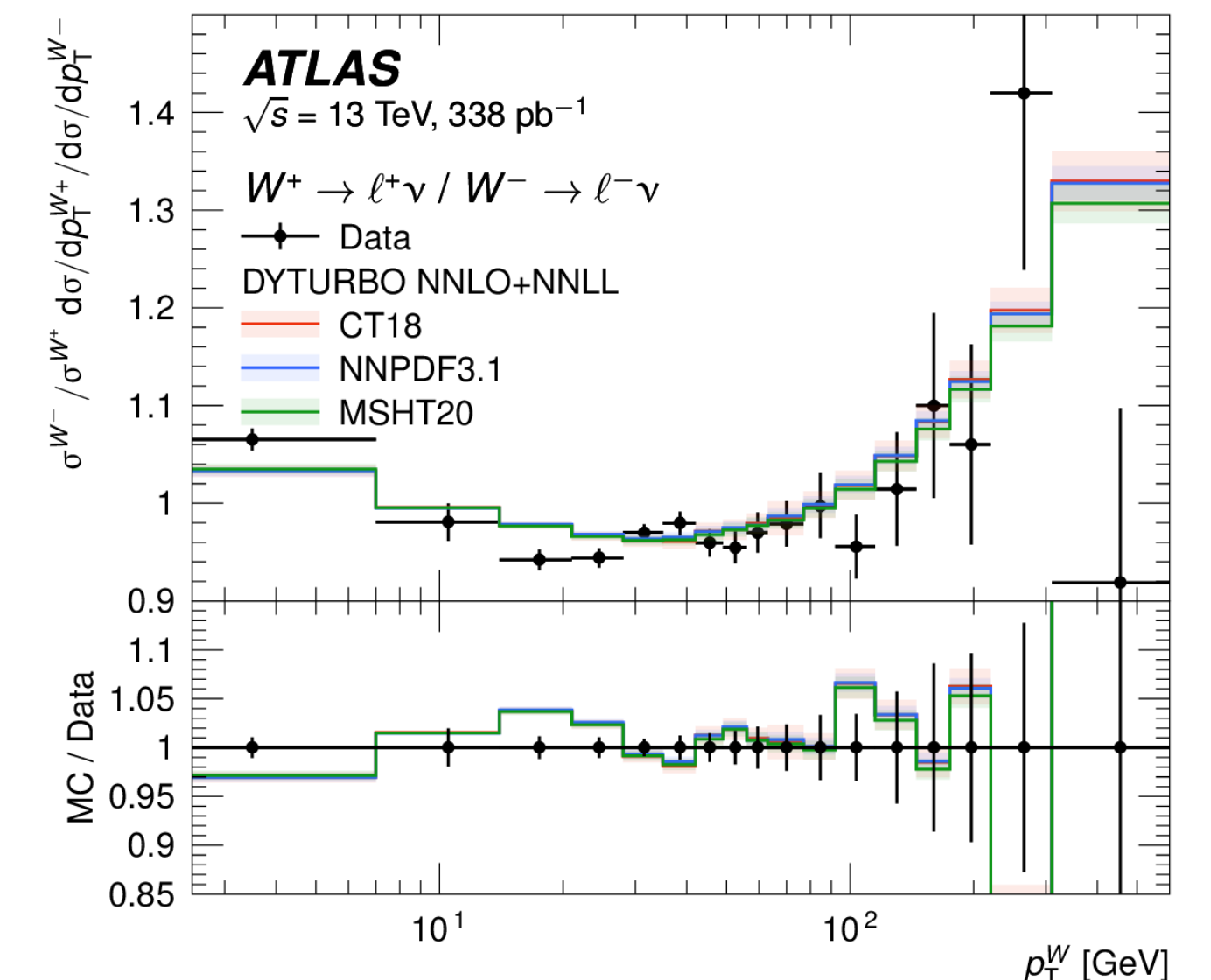
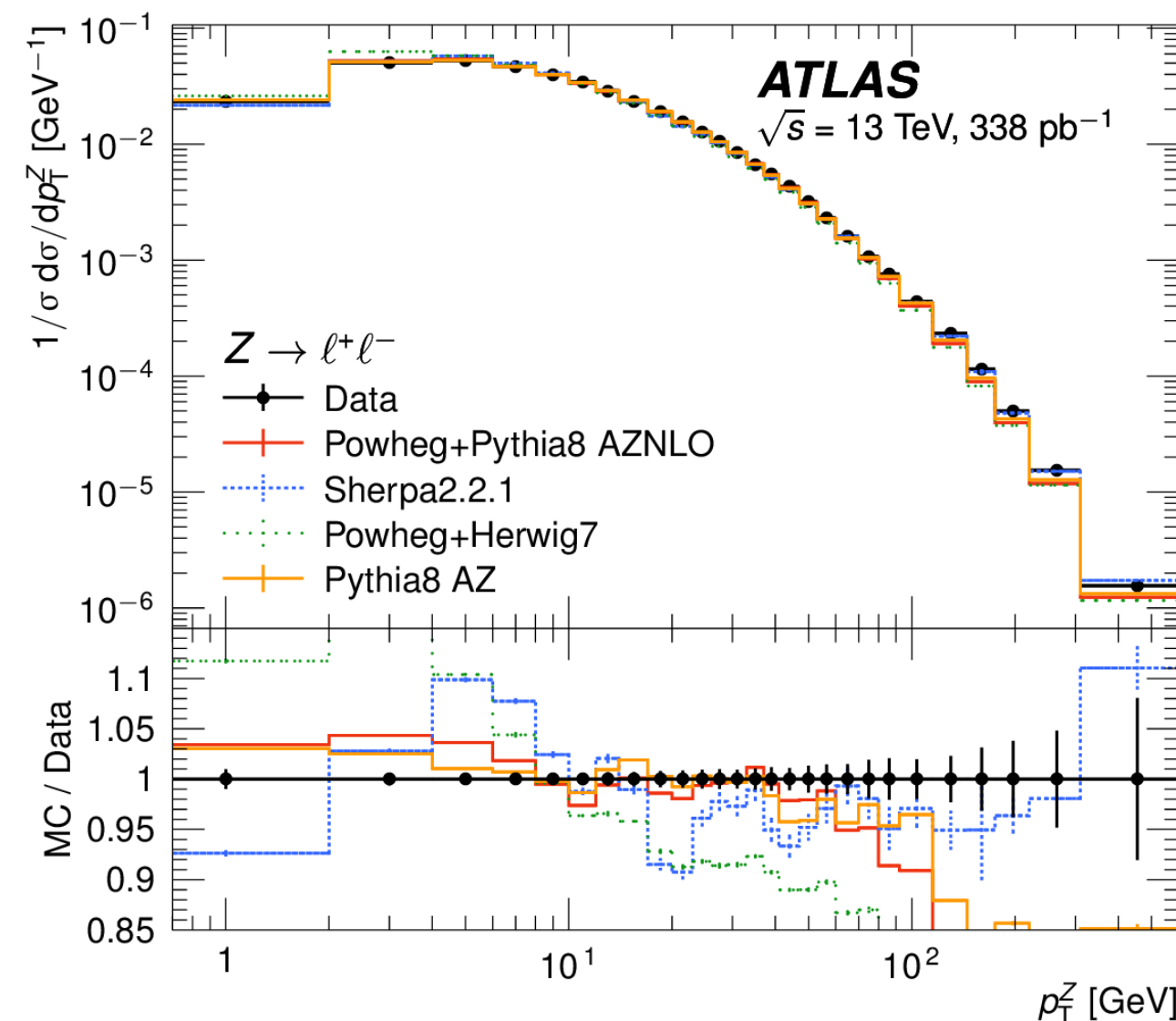
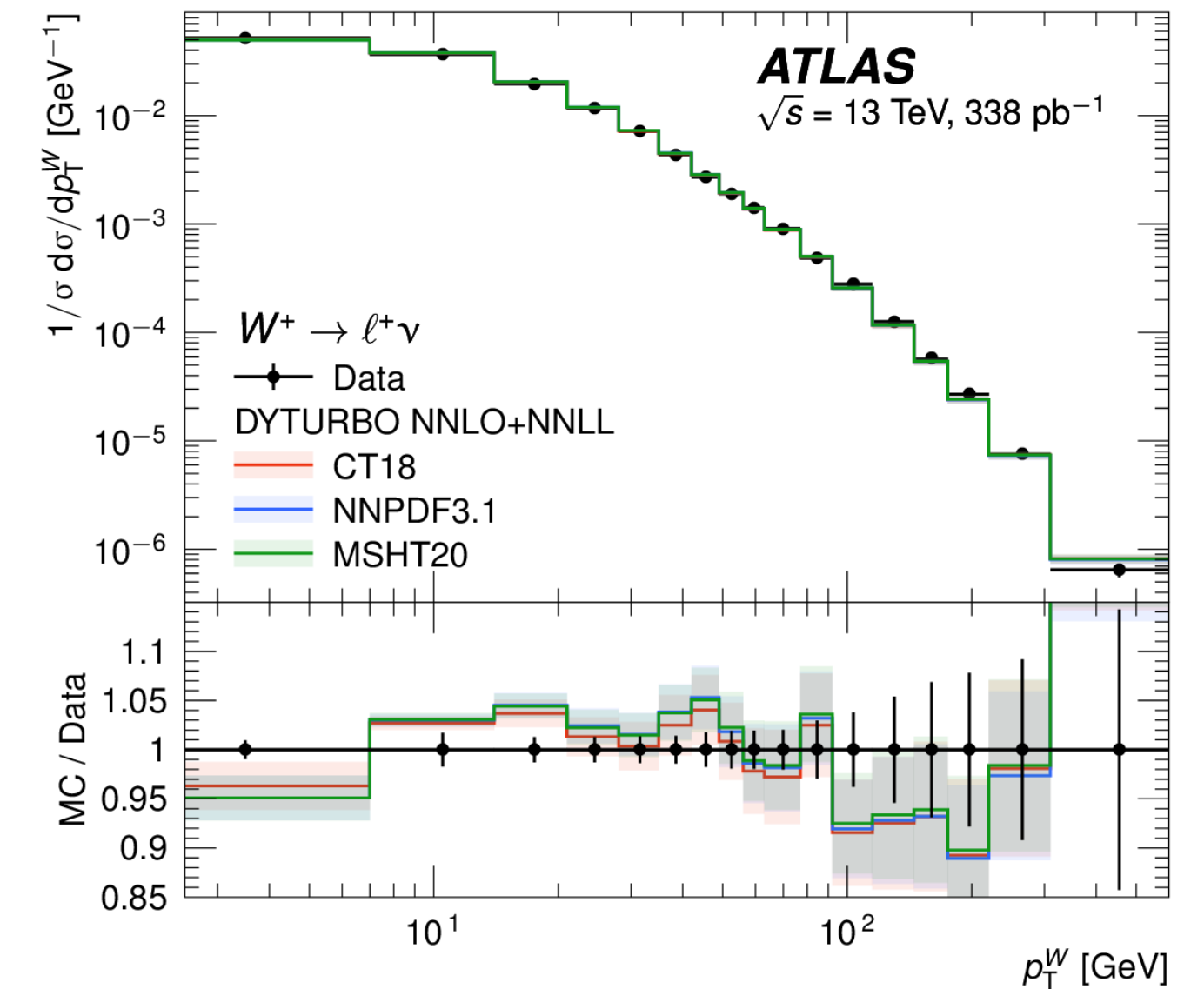
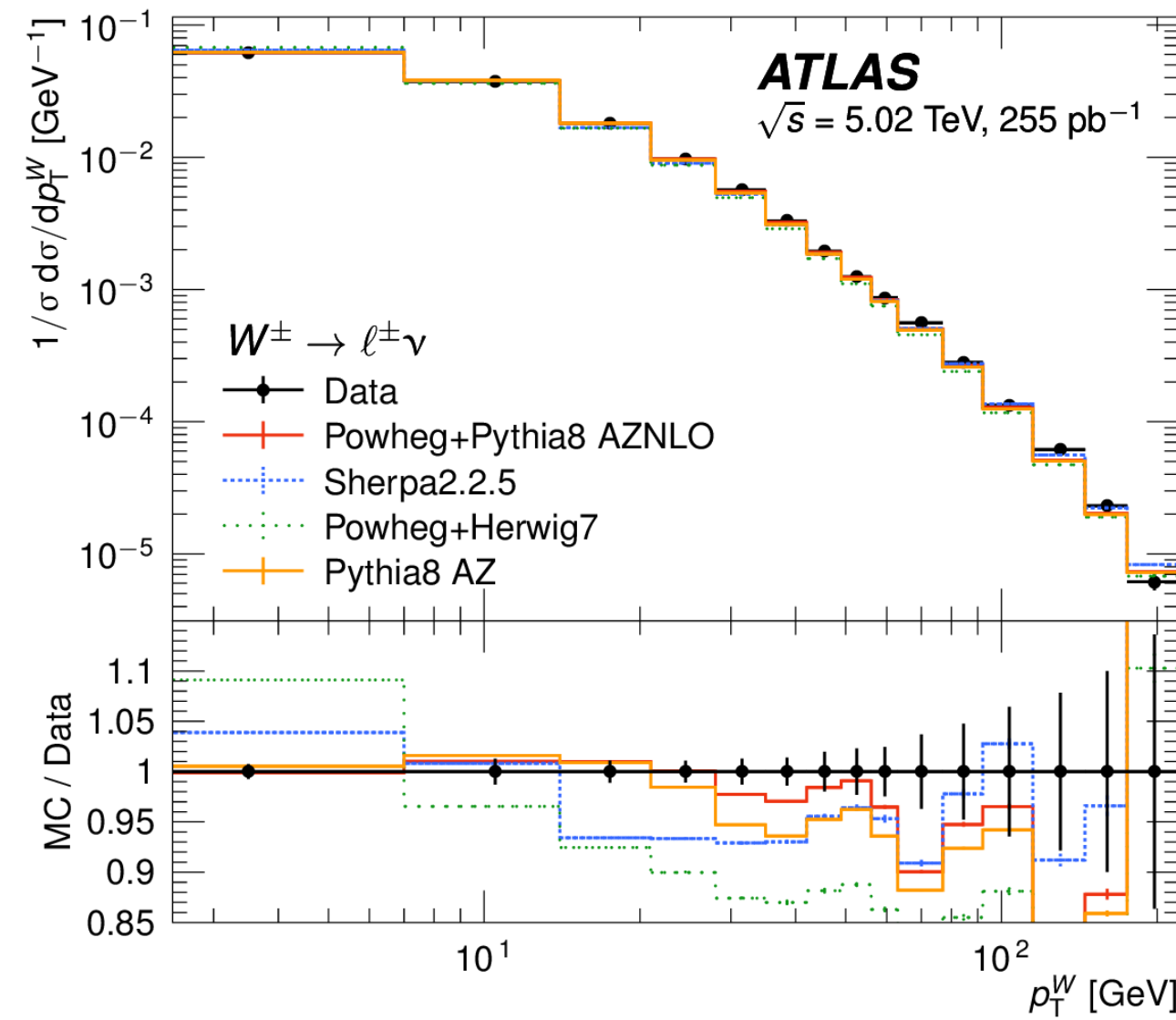
$$\text{where } x = H_{T2}, m_{jj,\max}, |\Delta y_{jj,\max}|, m_{jj}, |\Delta y_{jj}|$$

- Differential cross sections in different jet multiplicity bins
- ➔ Several  $p_{T3}$  thresholds for  $H_{T2}$  measurements: explore sensitivity to resummation effects
- ➔ Ratios for better sensitivity to  $\alpha_s$  (smaller uncertainties)
- ➔ NNLO needed for a good description of the data.
- ➔ HEJ description is better in regions with large contributions of  $\log(p_{T\text{jet}}/\sqrt{s})$



# PRECISE MEASUREMENTS OF W AND Z TRANSVERSE MOMENTUM SPECTRA

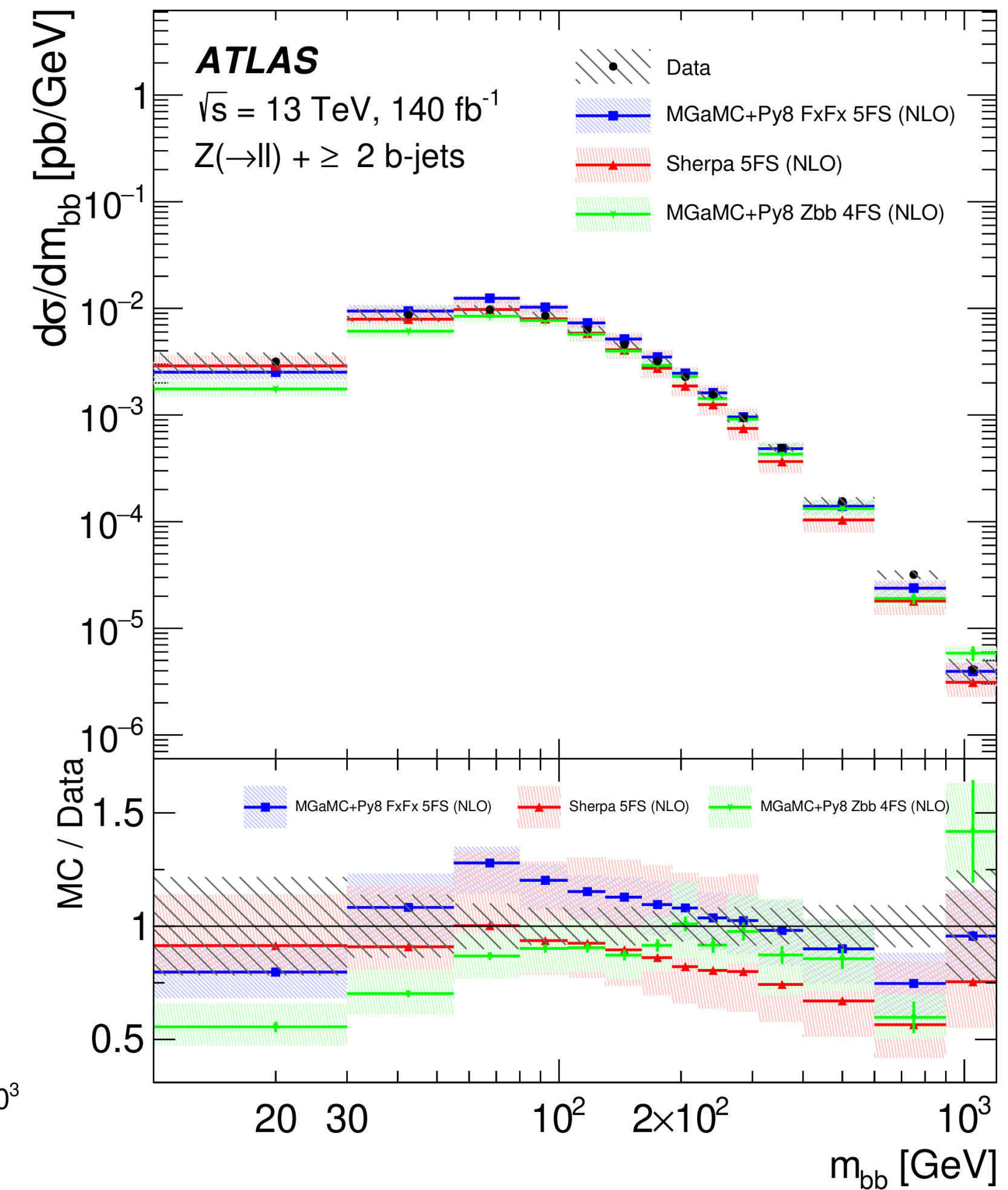
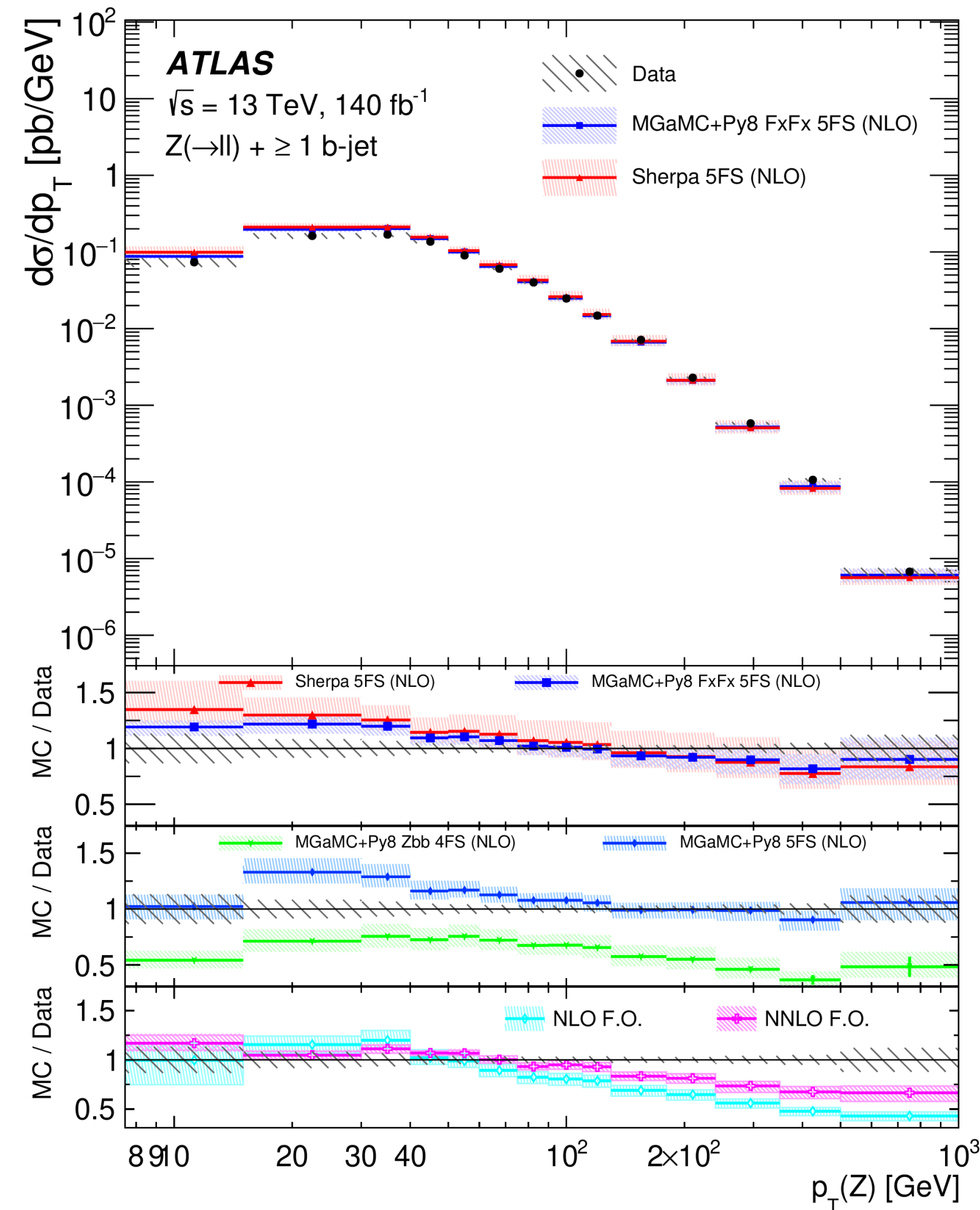
- Performed with dedicated runs of the LHC with an average of two interactions per bunch crossing at  $\sqrt{s}=5.02$  and 13 TeV
  - ➔ Optimize the reconstruction of the hadronic recoil
  - ➔ Needed for a precise measurement of  $m_W$  ( $m_W = 80366.5 \pm 15.9$  MeV in the latest ATLAS measurement)
- Unprecedented granularity in the distributions of around 7 GeV
- Improved precision by a factor 3.5 (1.7) for the W (Z) measurement
- Several deficits in the descriptions of MC generators
  - ➔ Better description at 5.02 TeV with showers tuned to ATLAS 7 TeV Z data





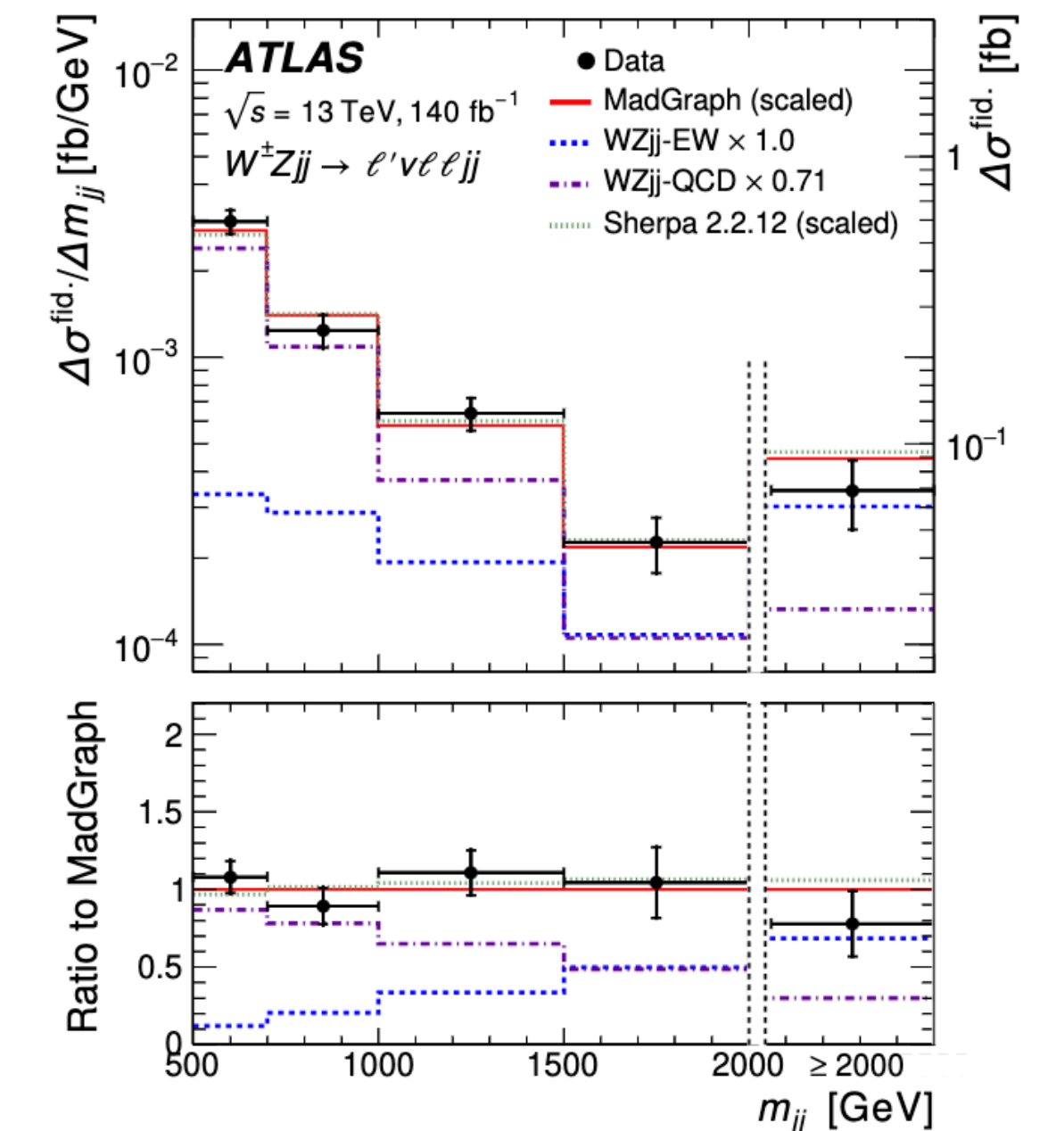
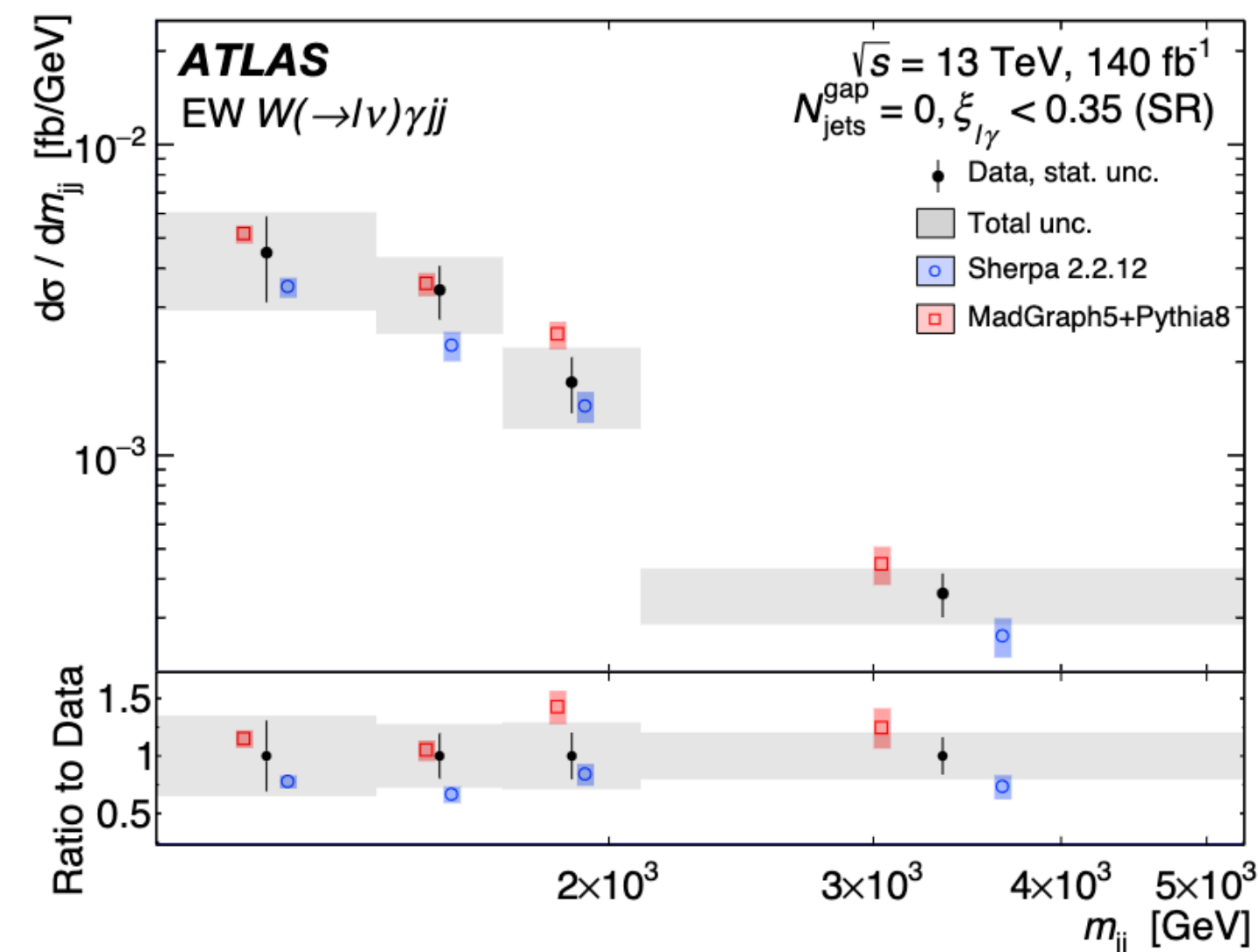
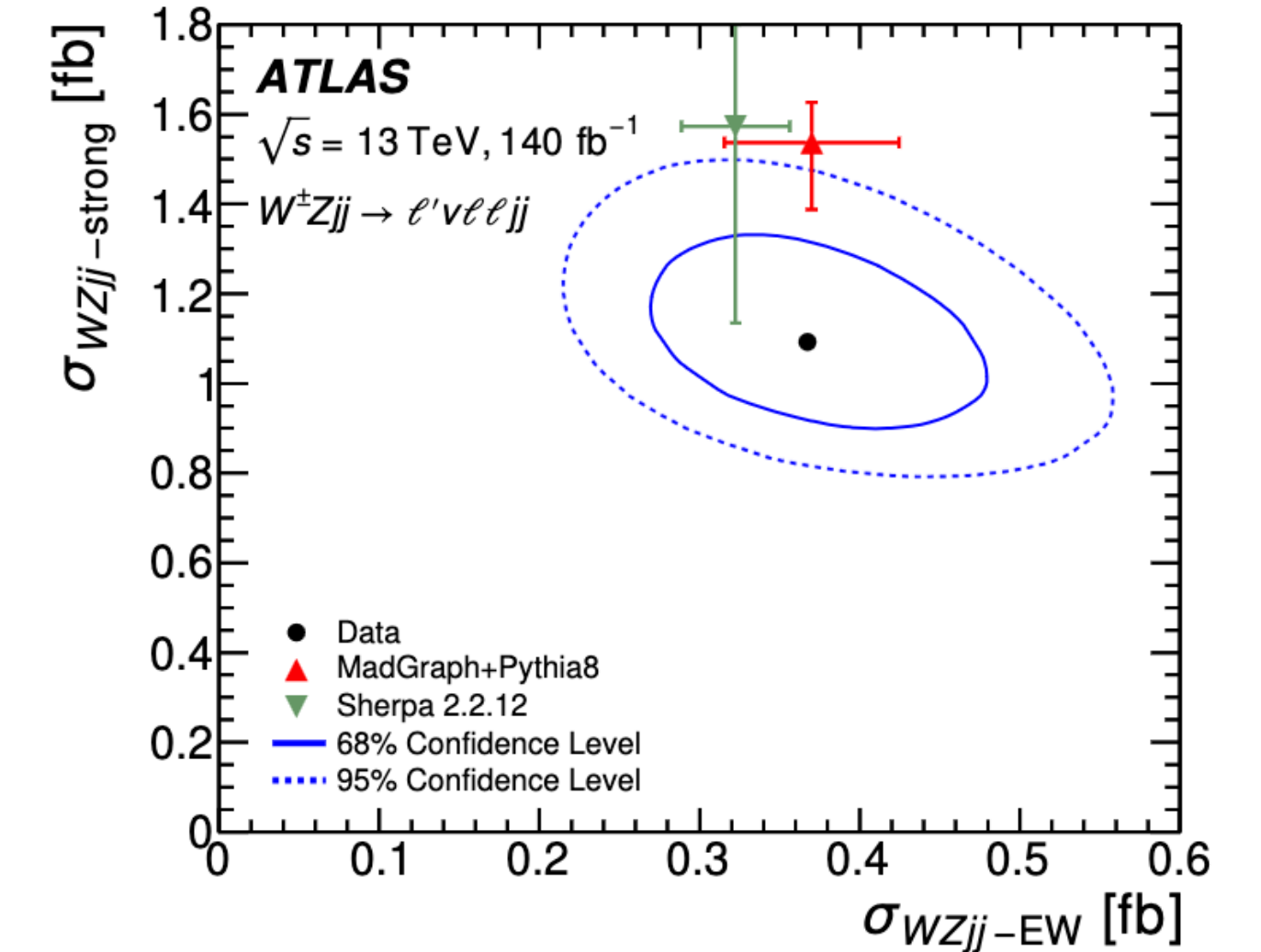
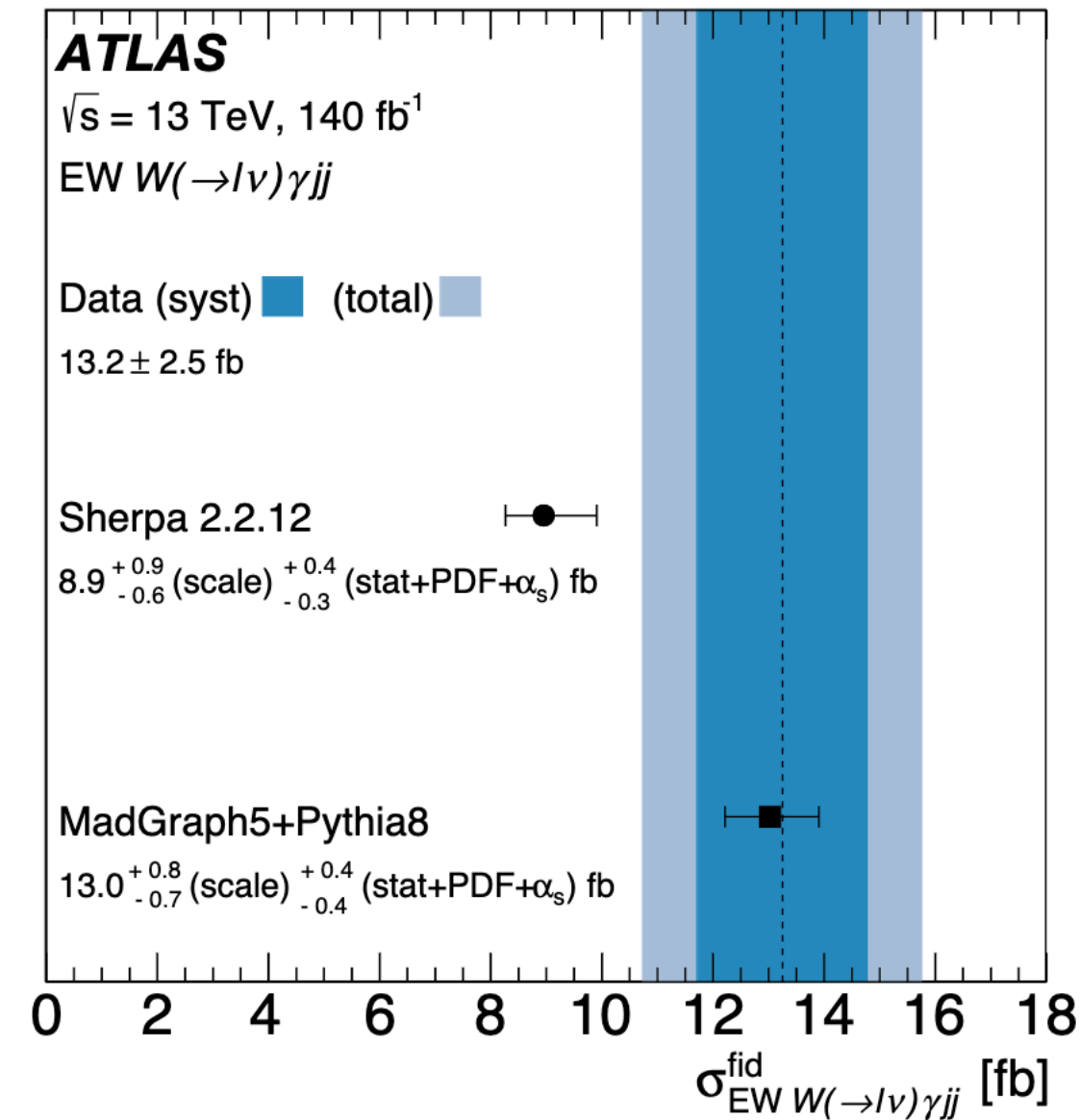
# Z BOSON IN ASSOCIATION WITH ONE OR TWO B- OR C-JETS

- **Modelling relevant for Z+HF production**  
 ➔ **Differences between FS**
- **Harder p<sub>T</sub> spectra by predictions in Z+1bjet**
- **Fixed-order predictions corrected for non-perturbative effects and different b-jet definition**  
 ➔ **Show discrepancies with data at high p<sub>T</sub>(Z)**
- **No prediction has agreement with m<sub>bb</sub> in the full spectrum**



# ELECTROWEAK VBS PRODUCTION OF WZ AND $W\gamma$

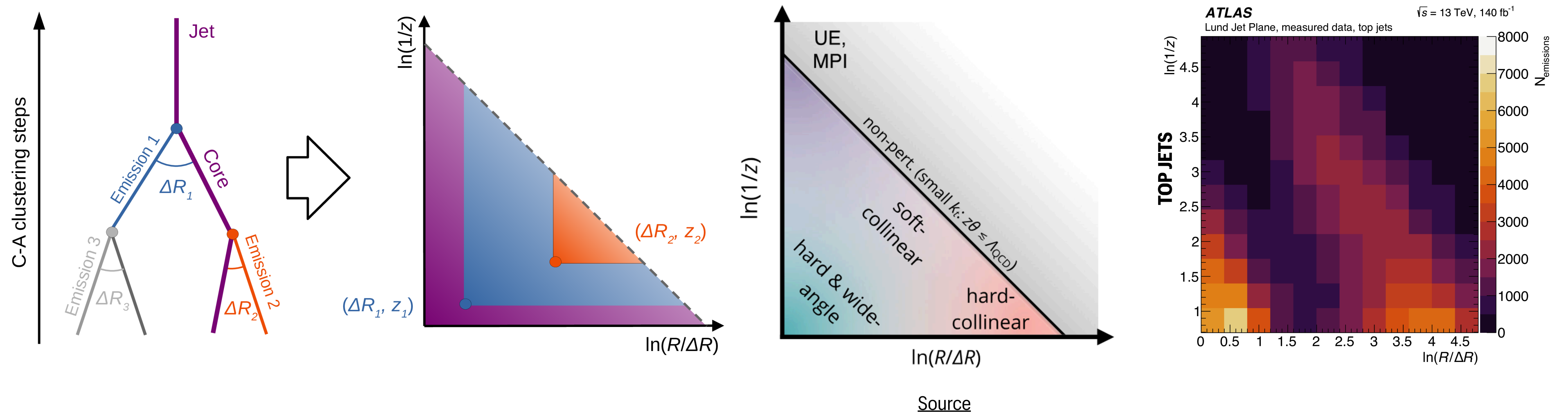
- VVjj production being tested differentially  
 ➔ Helpful to test the modelling of key observables
- Multivariate techniques used to distinguish the EW production from the irreducible background
- Measurements compared to aMC@NLO and Sherpa both at LO but Sherpa includes an additional parton in the ME
- Sensitivity of the measurement to deviations of quartic gauge couplings exploited through SMEFT





# LUND JET PLANE IN HADRONIC DECAYS OF TOP QUARKS AND W BOSONS

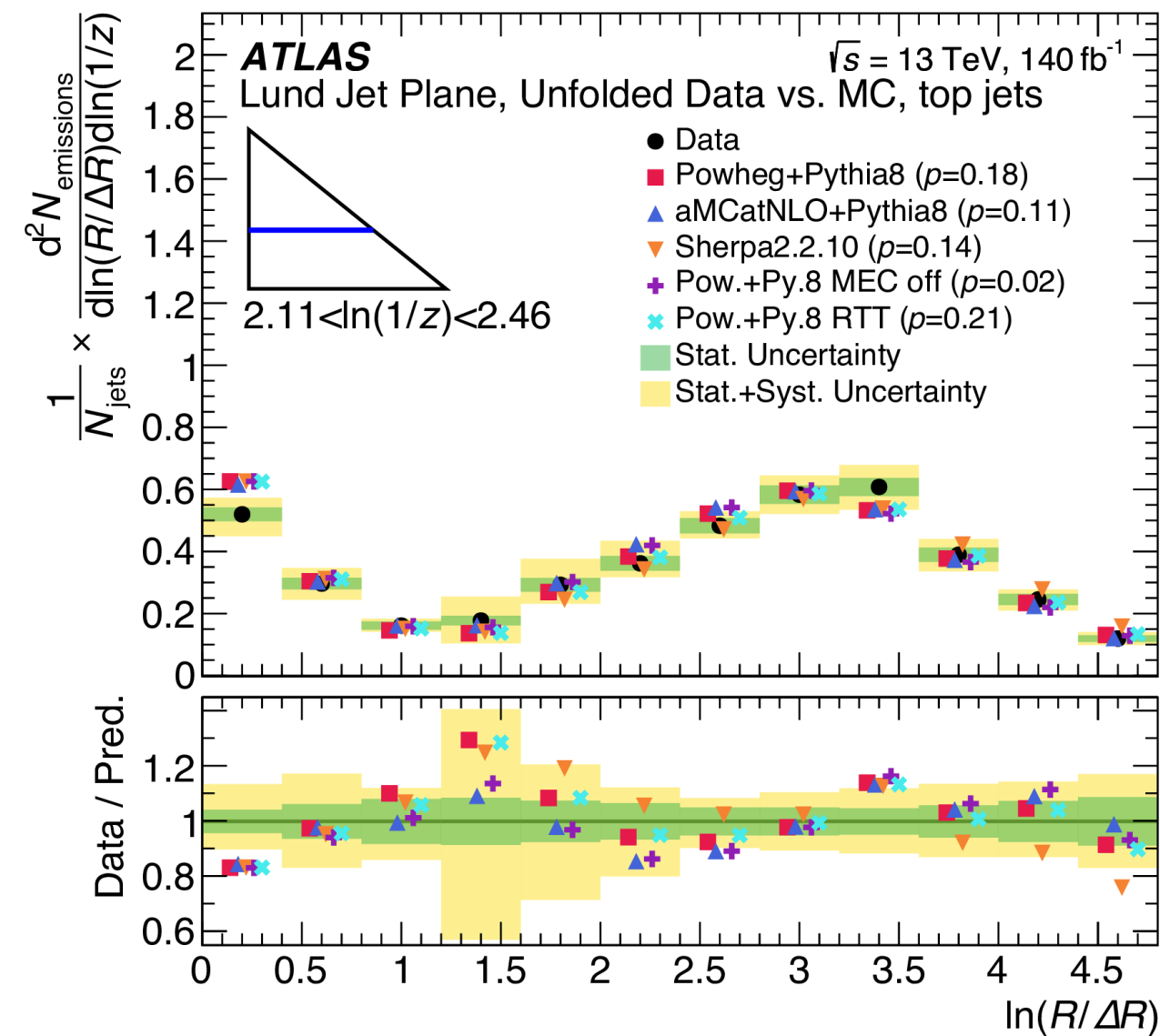
- Lund jet plane (LJP) representation provides a significant amount of information about the jet radiation pattern
  - ➔ Parton shower, hadronisation and UE approximately factored in LJP



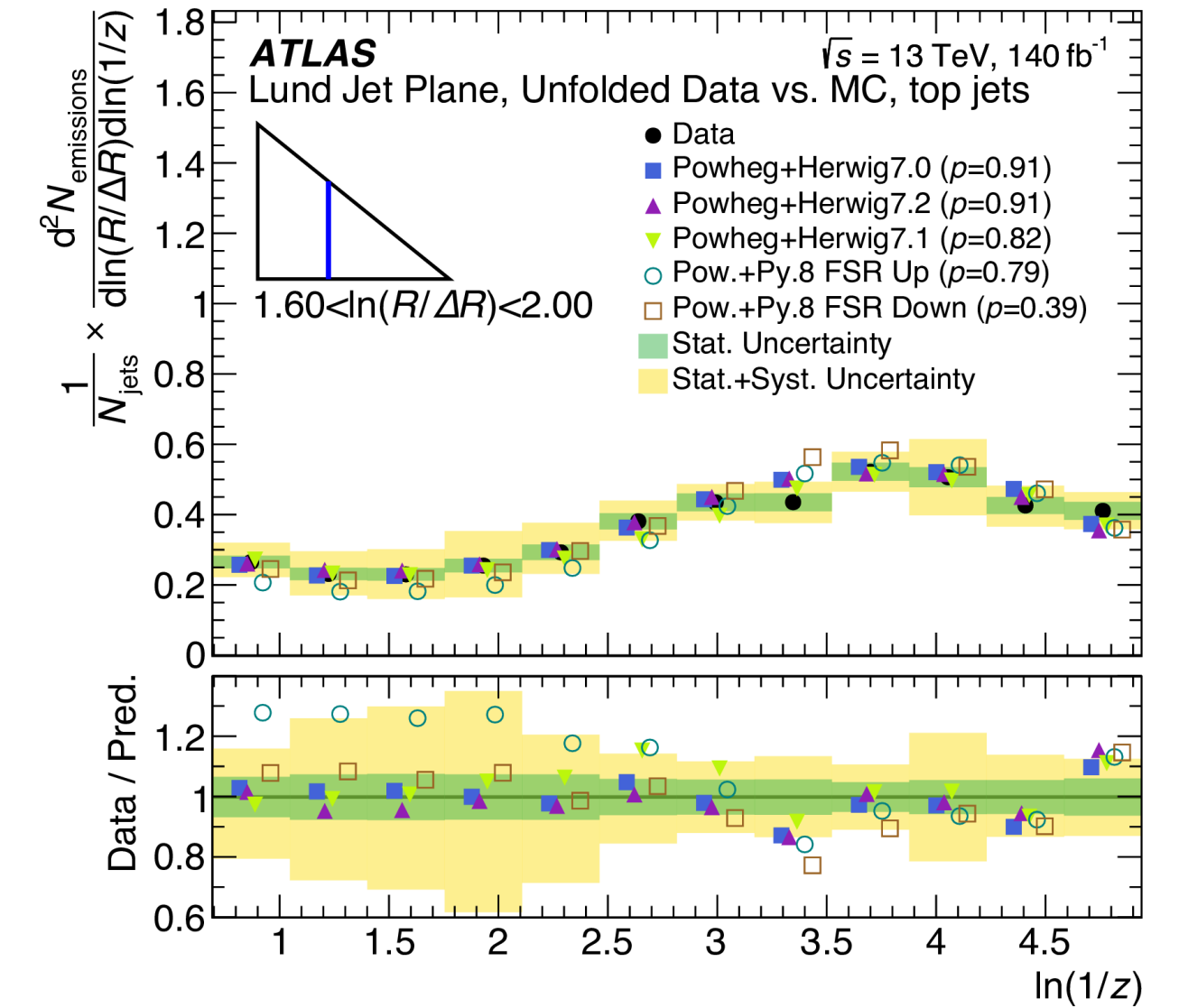
- Measurement of W- and top-initiated anti-kt jets  $R=1.0$  ( $p_T > 350 \text{ GeV}$ ) using charged particles
  - ➔ Help to understand reconstruction and modelling of hadronic tops
  - ➔ Complement other jet substructure measurements and can serve as input for MC tuning

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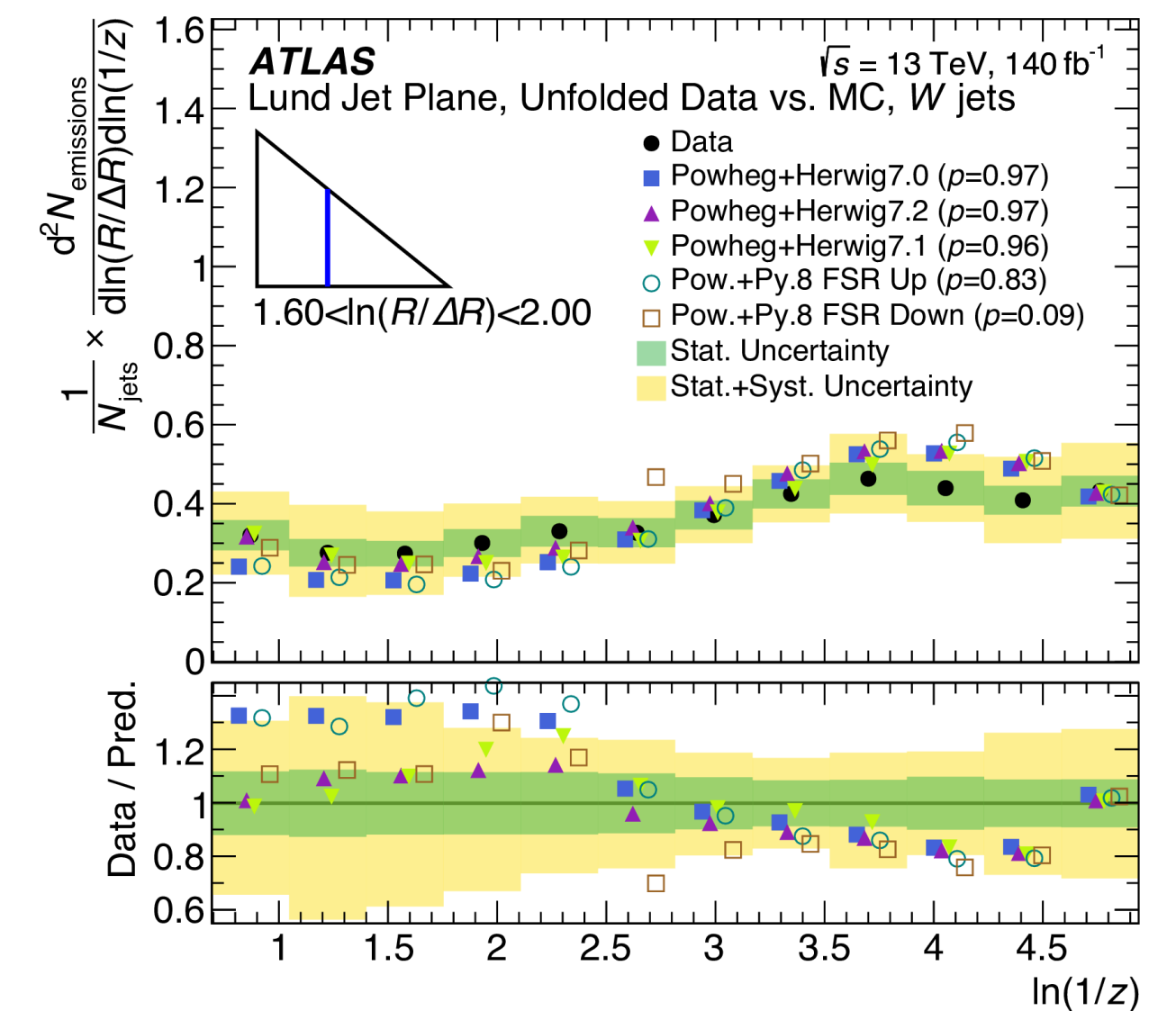
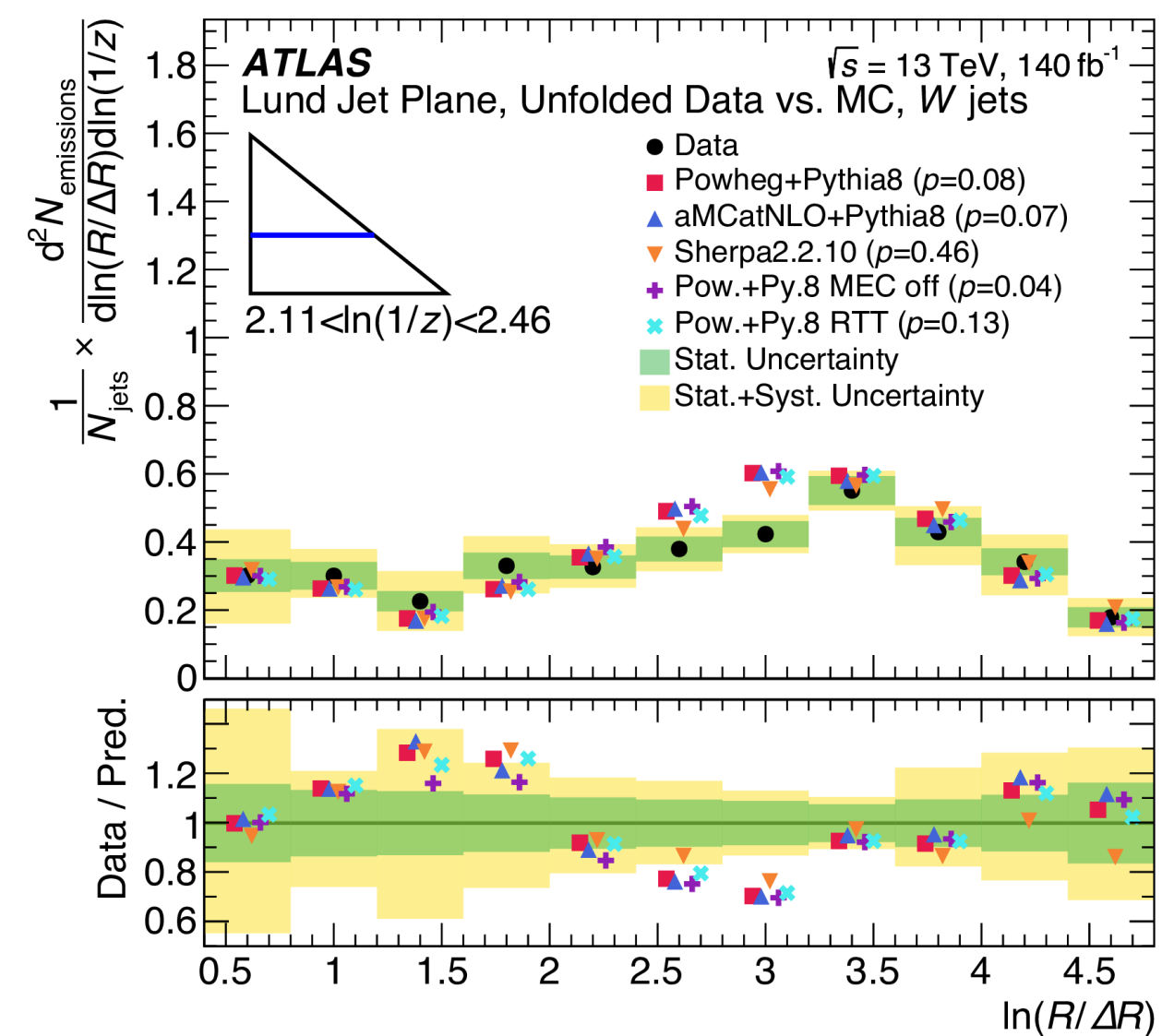
- Agreement with predictions but regions with low p-value, specially in W-jets
- ➔ Systematics dominated by the top-pair and parton shower modelling



TOP JETS



W JETS





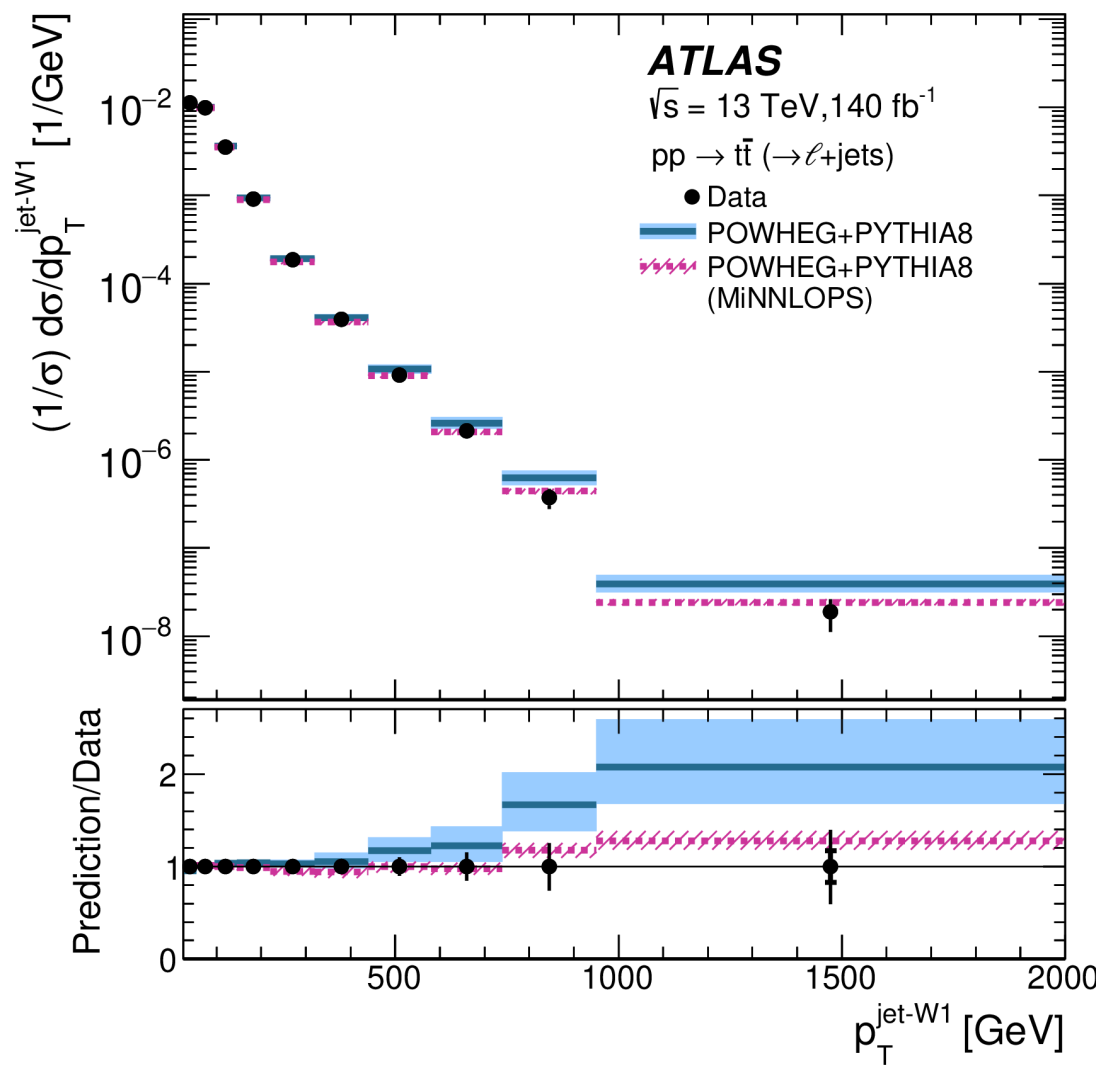
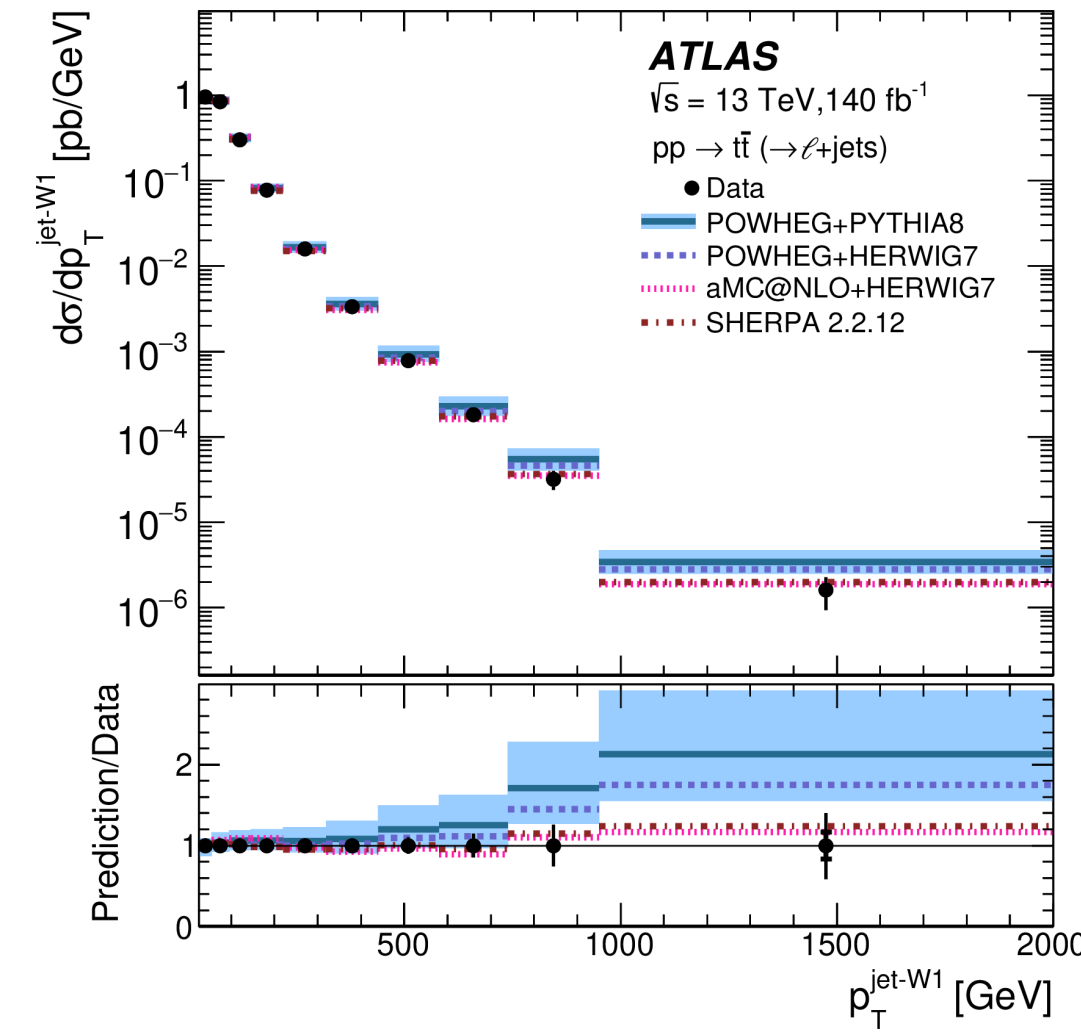
# DIFFERENTIAL $t\bar{t}$ AND $t\bar{t}$ +JETS CROSS SECTIONS IN L+JETS FINAL STATES

- Test of the dynamics and topology of the  $t\bar{t}$  system and the hardest emissions
- ➔ Characterisation with a wide number of observables, many of them not previously measured.

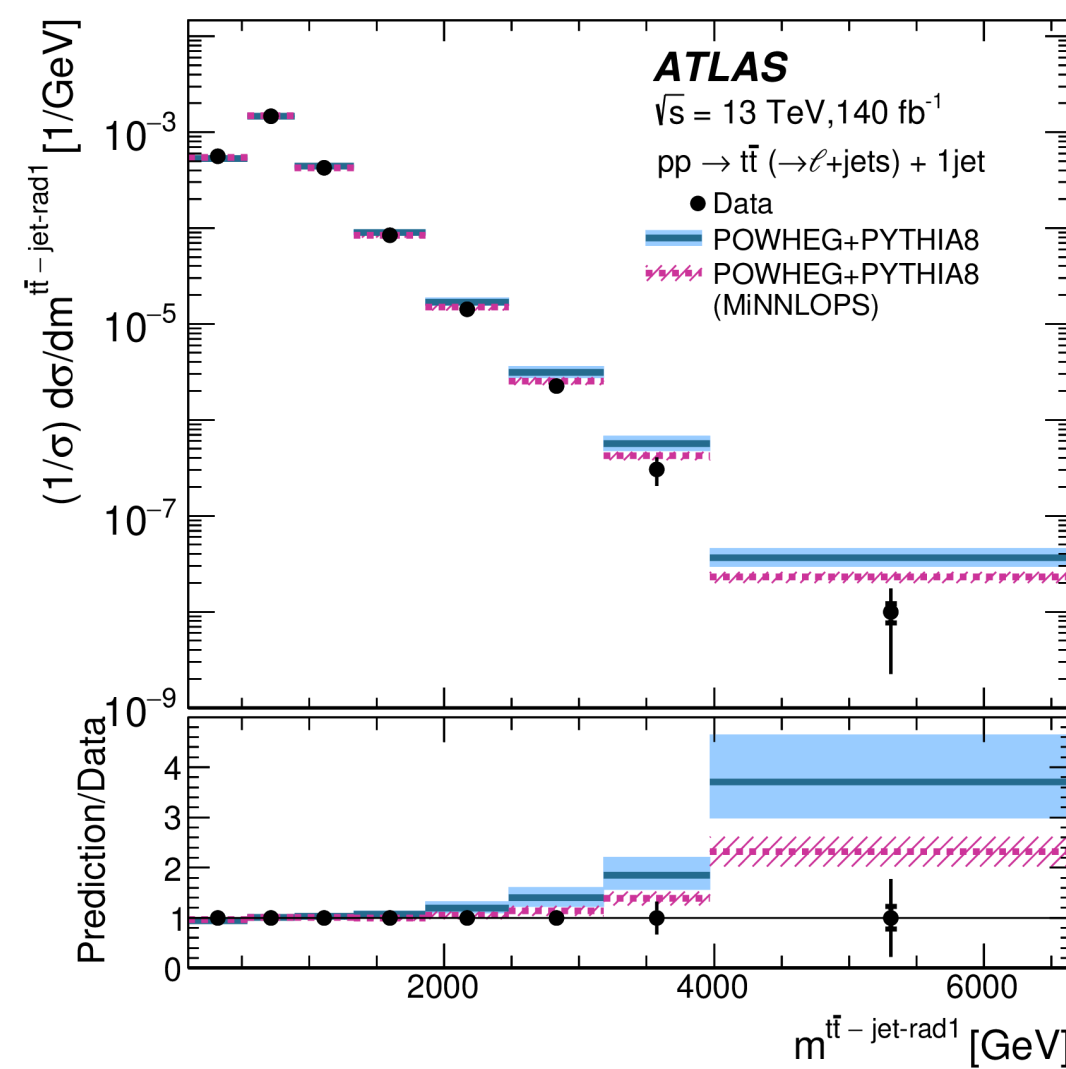
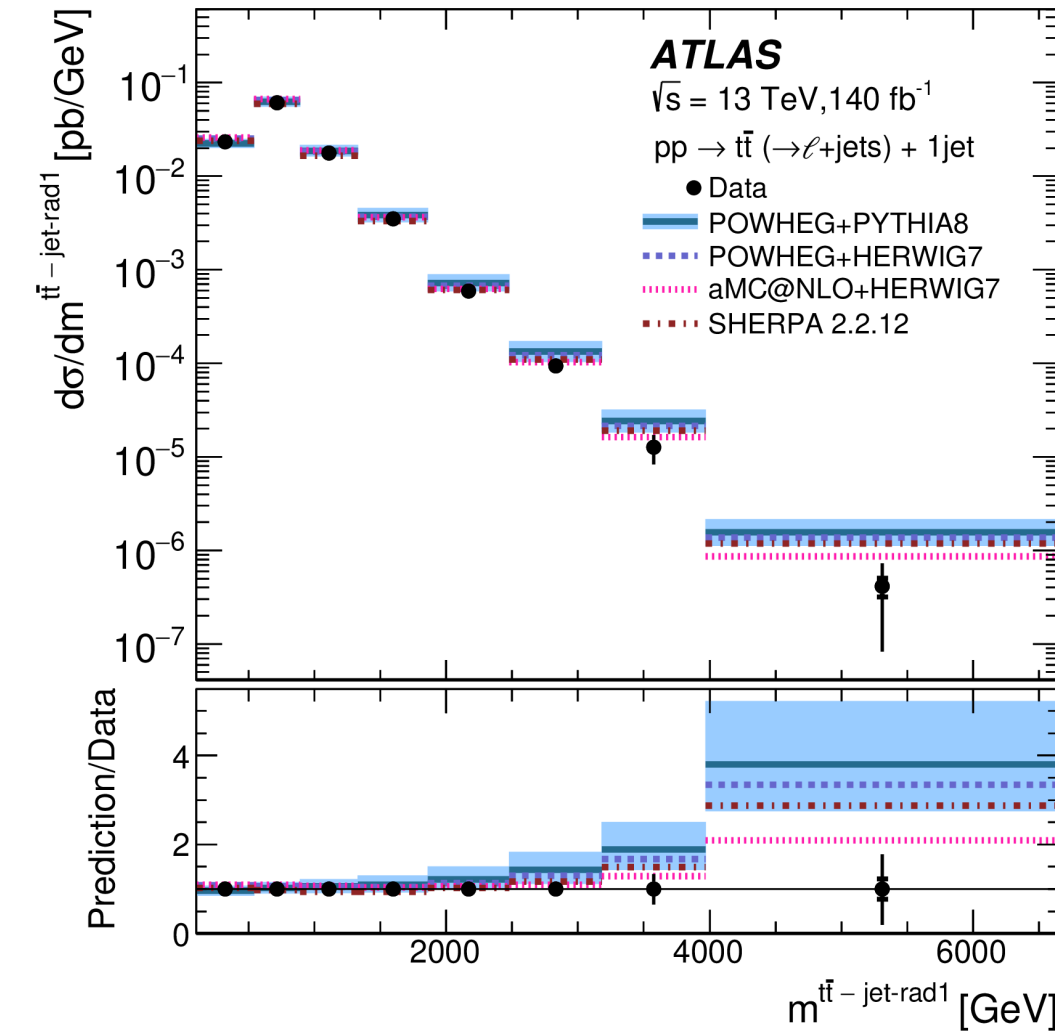
Absolute differential cross sections.

$t\bar{t}$  inclusive,  $N_{\text{jets}} \geq 4$

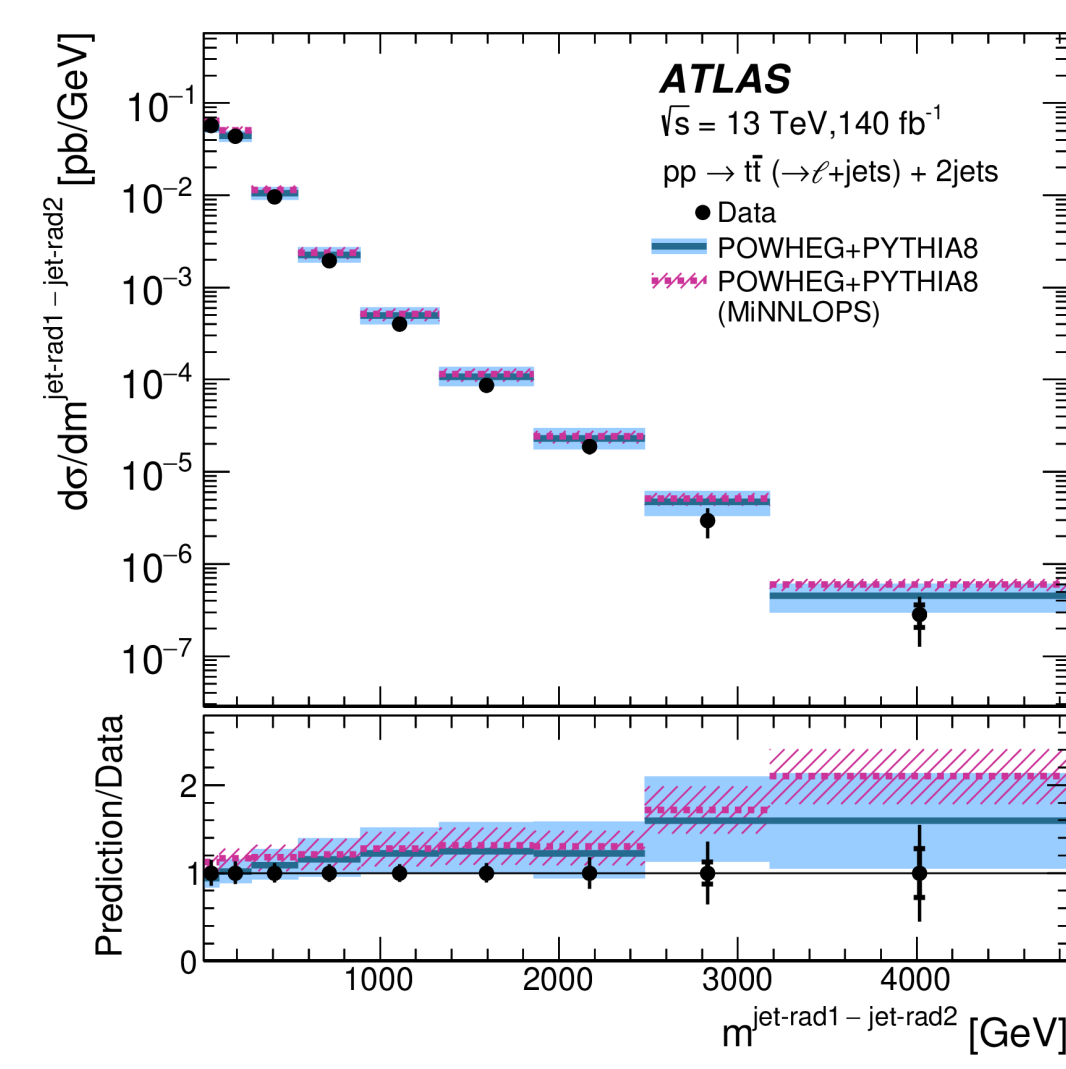
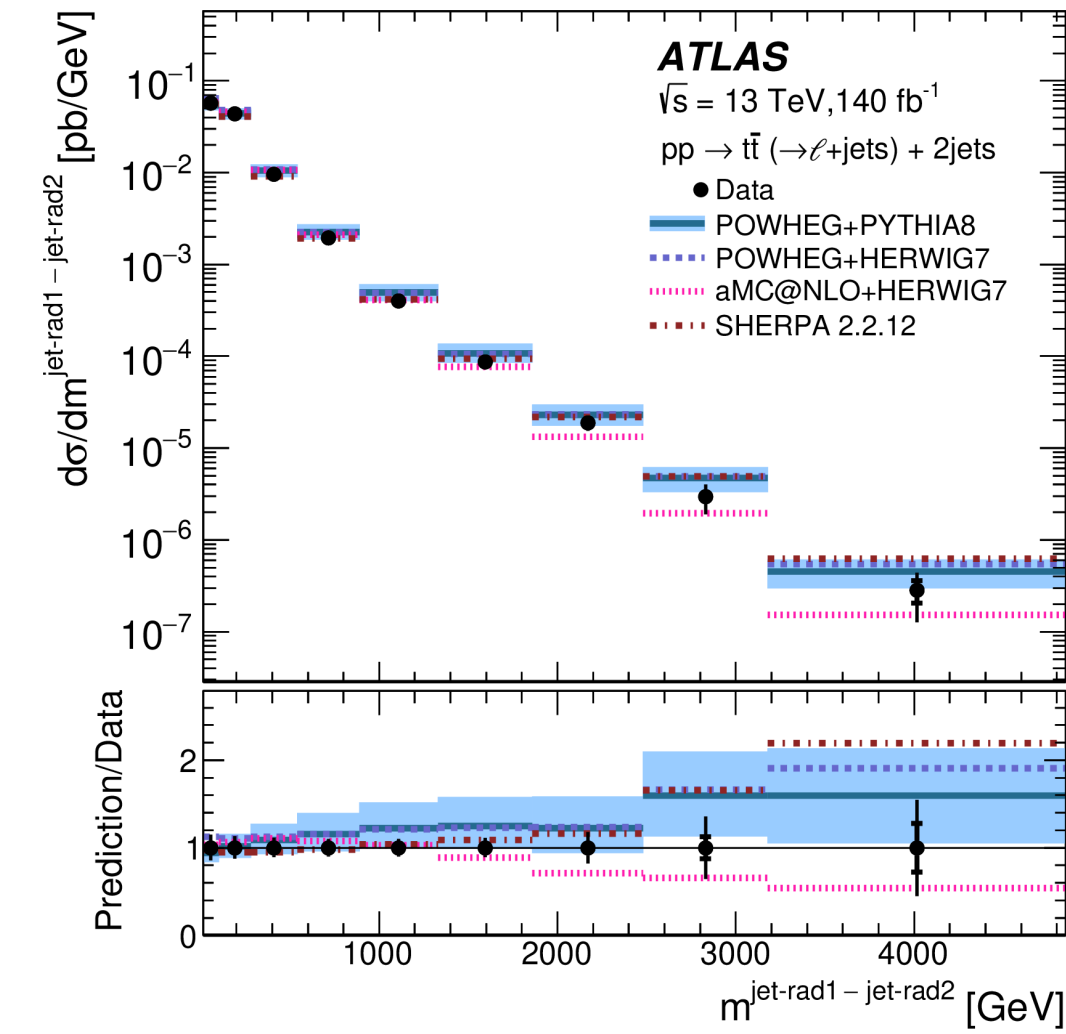
Normalised differential cross sections.



$t\bar{t}$  + 1jet,  $N_{\text{jets}} \geq 5$



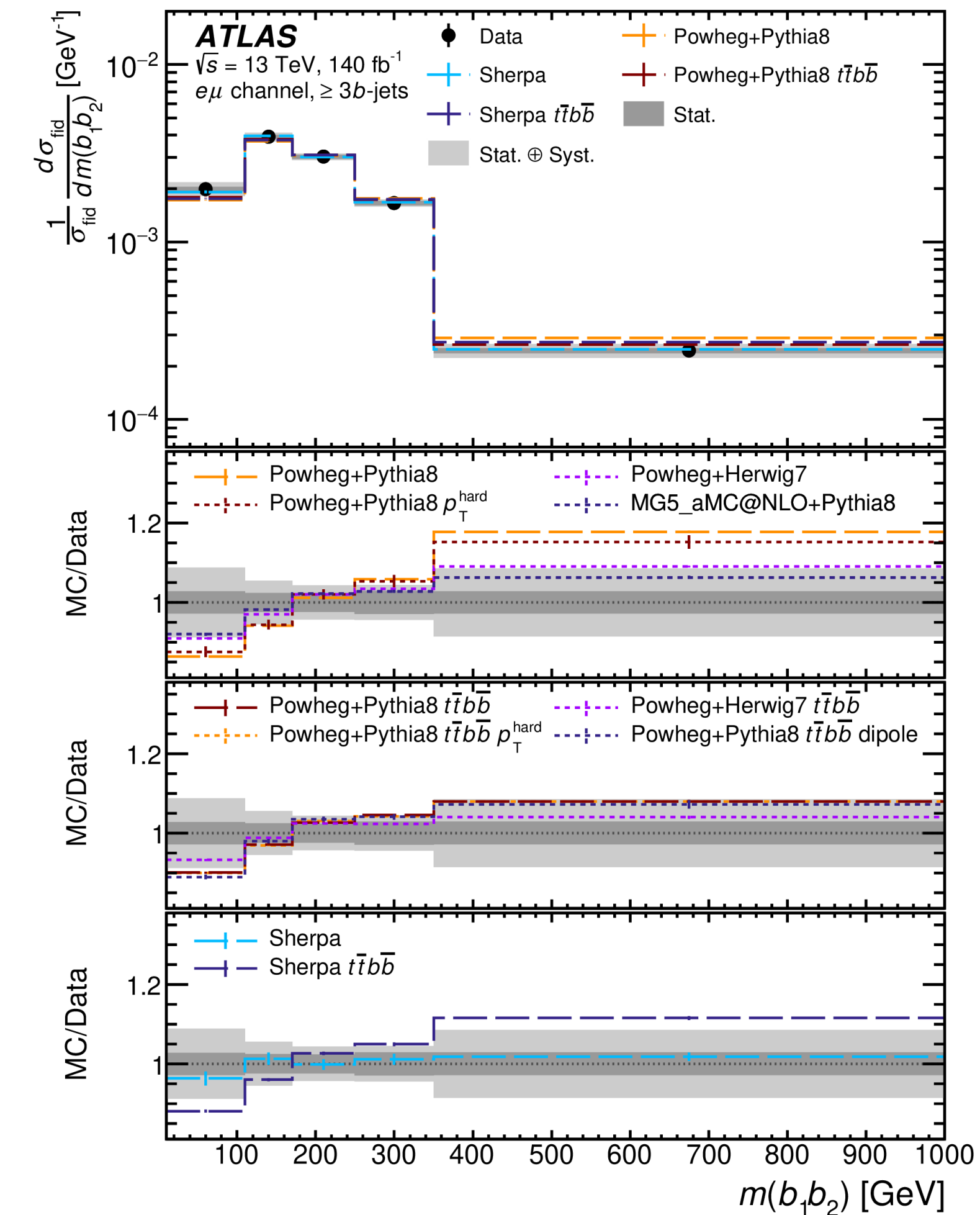
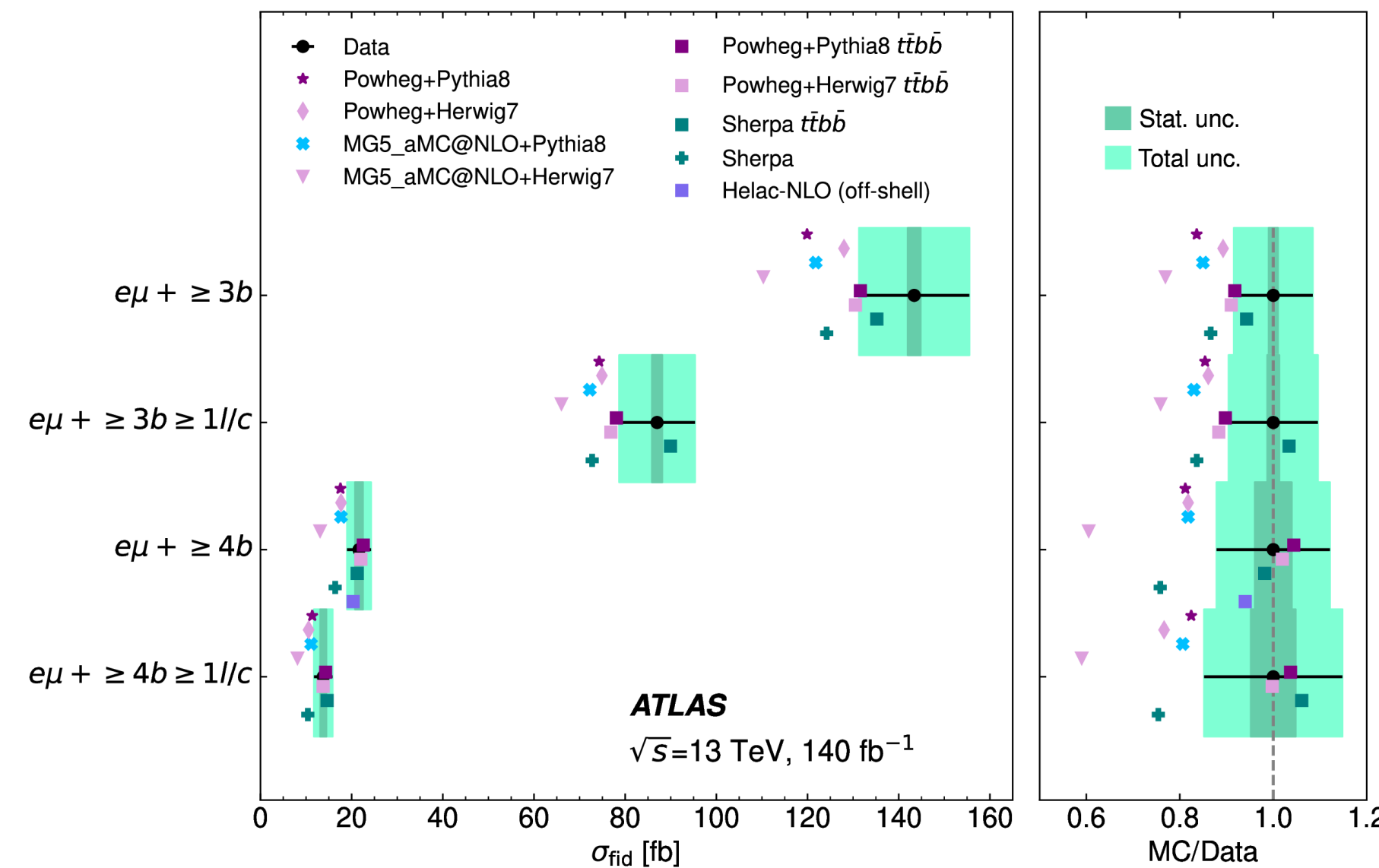
$t\bar{t}$  + 2jet,  $N_{\text{jets}} \geq 6$



Usage of NNLO MC+PS with better agreement to data than NLO MC+PS

# DIFFERENTIAL CROSS SECTIONS OF $t\bar{t}$ PLUS HEAVY FLAVOUR IN THE $e\mu$ CHANNEL

- Important and poorly constrained background of  $t\bar{t}H$ ,  $t\bar{t}t$ 
  - ➔ Challenging calculations with very different scales involved ( $t\bar{t}$  system and  $b\bar{b}$  from gluon splitting)
  - ➔ MC calculations with different treatments of: b-quark mass, production of the extra b-quarks or merging of the b-quark production with the inclusive  $t\bar{t}$  prediction
- Most observables are generally well described by the majority of MC predictions





# DIFFERENTIAL CROSS SECTIONS IN $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$ AND COUPLINGS MEASUREMENT

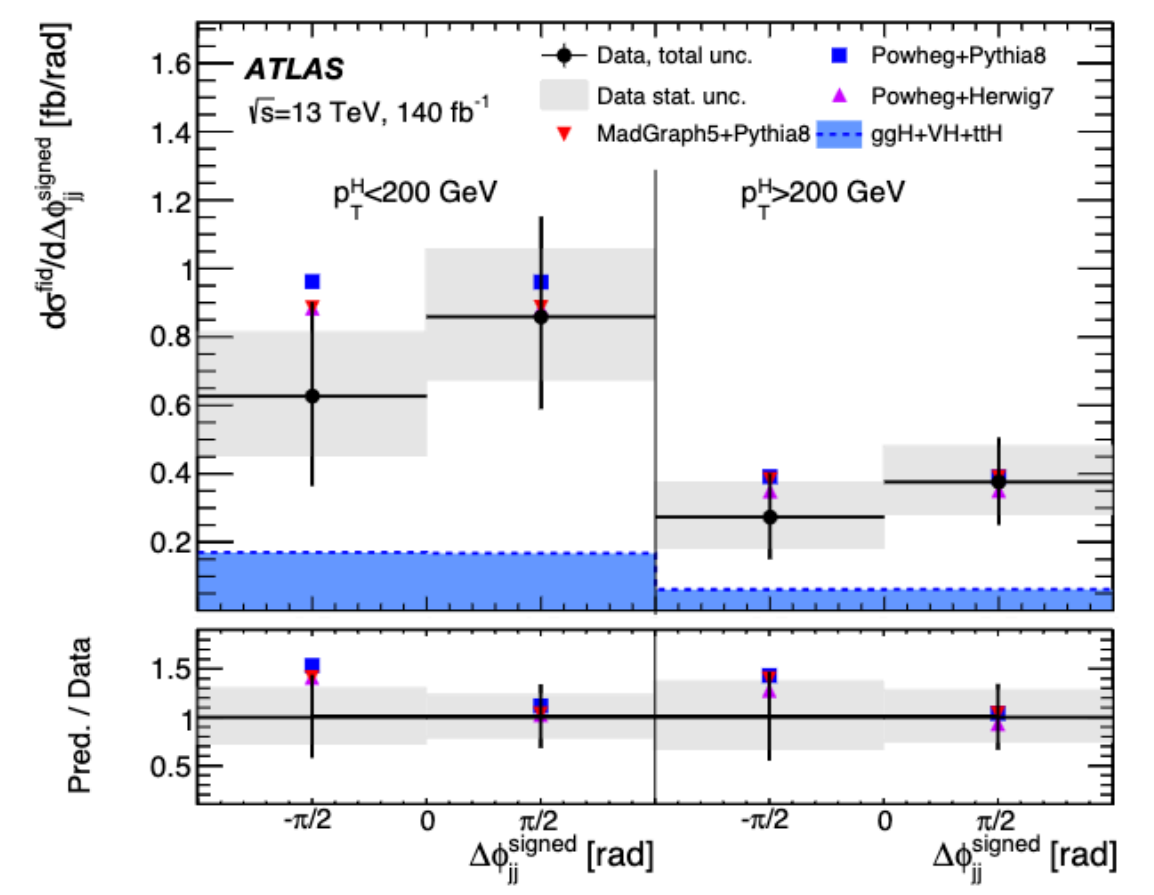
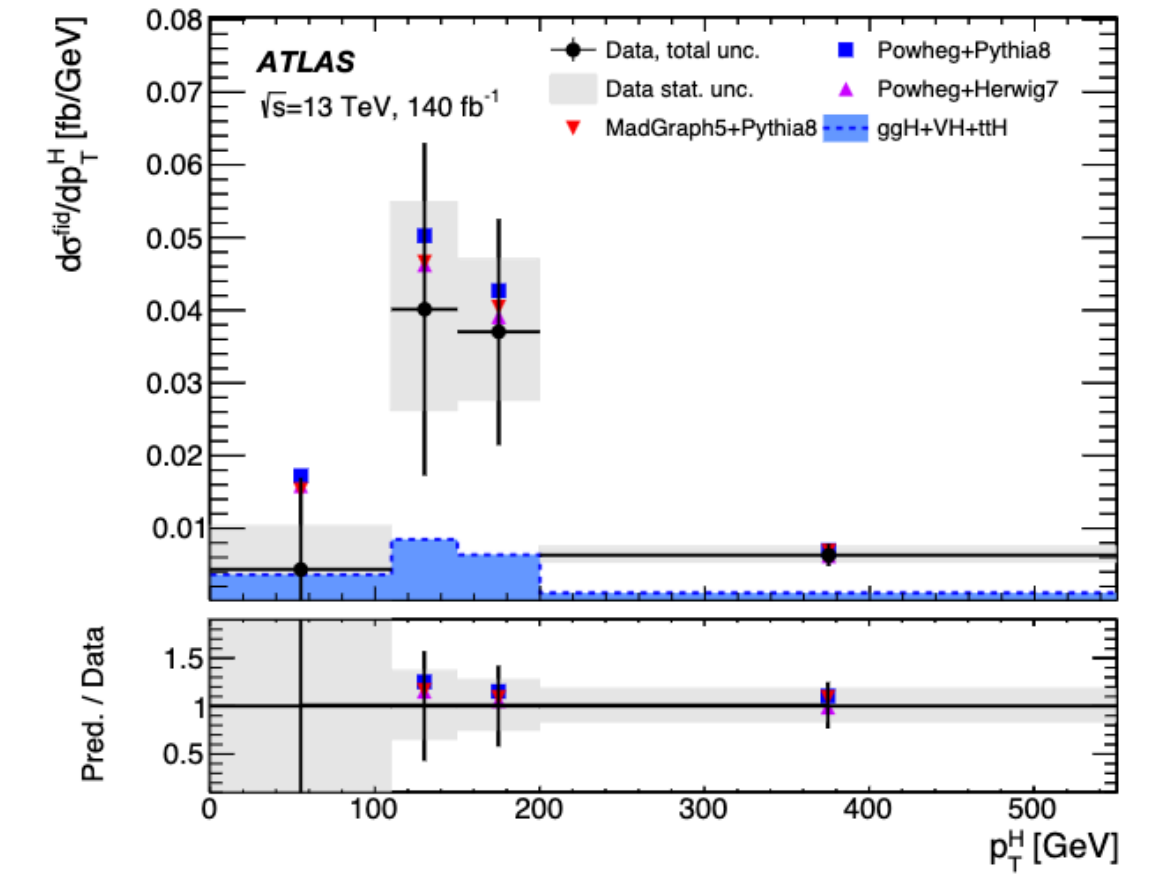
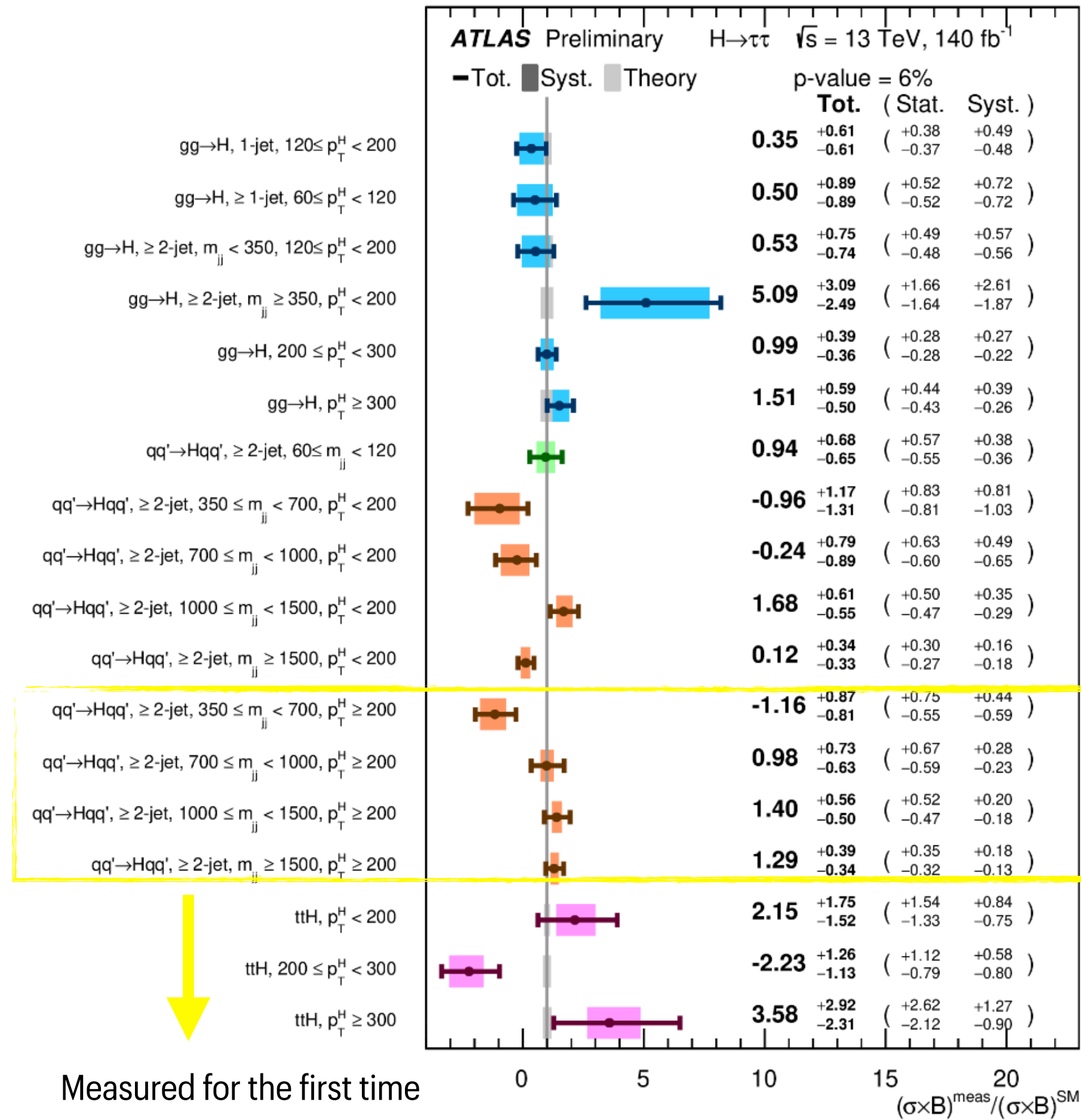
- $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$  with a BR of 6% is in a unique position of having sufficient statistics and low enough backgrounds for precise Higgs production

➔ Reconstruction of leptonic and hadronically decaying tau leptons

- Higher granularity and improvement in the VBF and ttH measurement over previous measurements in the channel

- Theory uncertainty is dominant

Production mode	ggF	ttH	VBF	VH
Best-fit value	0.94	0.77	0.93	0.91
Total uncertainty	$\pm 0.30$	$\pm 0.97$	$\pm 0.16$	$\pm 0.62$
Samples size	$\pm 0.09$	$\pm 0.32$	$\pm 0.03$	$\pm 0.25$
Theoretical uncertainty in signal	$\pm 0.19$	$\pm 0.14$	$\pm 0.10$	$\pm 0.13$
Jet and $E_T^{\text{miss}}$	$\pm 0.12$	$\pm 0.14$	$\pm 0.03$	$\pm 0.11$



# AVAILABILITY OF GENERATORS IN ATLAS

- All MC samples sets used in data analysis are centrally produced and managed in ATLAS.
- Wide range of MC event generator programs
  - ➔ Powheg, MadGraph, Sherpa, Pythia8 and Herwig7 most commonly used.

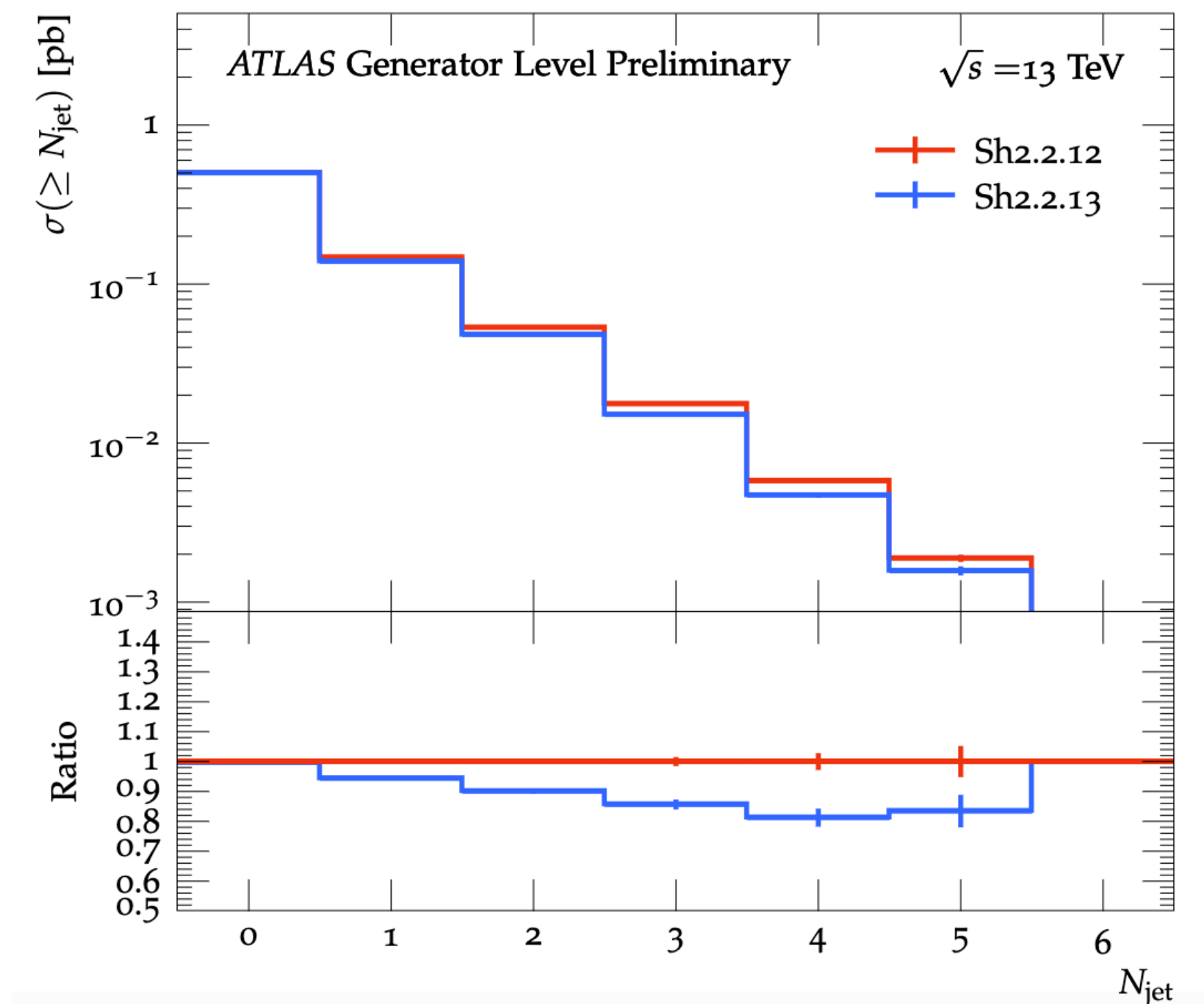
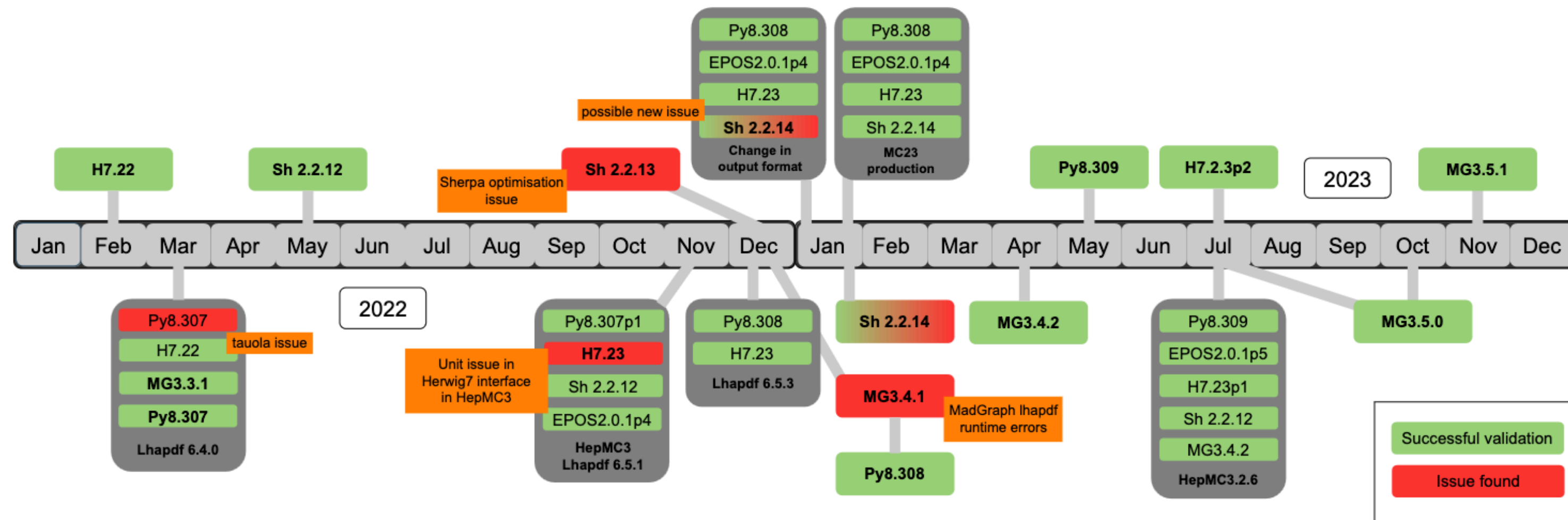


- ➔ Afterburners run as secondary in Athena: Photos++ (refinement of FSR), Tauola++ (precise tau leptonic decays) or EvtGen (for heavy flavour hadron decays)
- ➔ Several other limited-use generators: EPOS, Hijing, Hto4l, Pythia8B, Starlight, SuperChic, etc...
- Dedicated team outside ATLAS (CERN EP-SFT) maintain the LCG software stack that provide the MC generators installation
  - ➔ The GENSER (GENerator SERVICES) in charge of MC programmes
- ATLAS software (Athena) publicly available in gitlab
  - ➔ Generator interfaces, MC default settings or MC samples steering files can be found

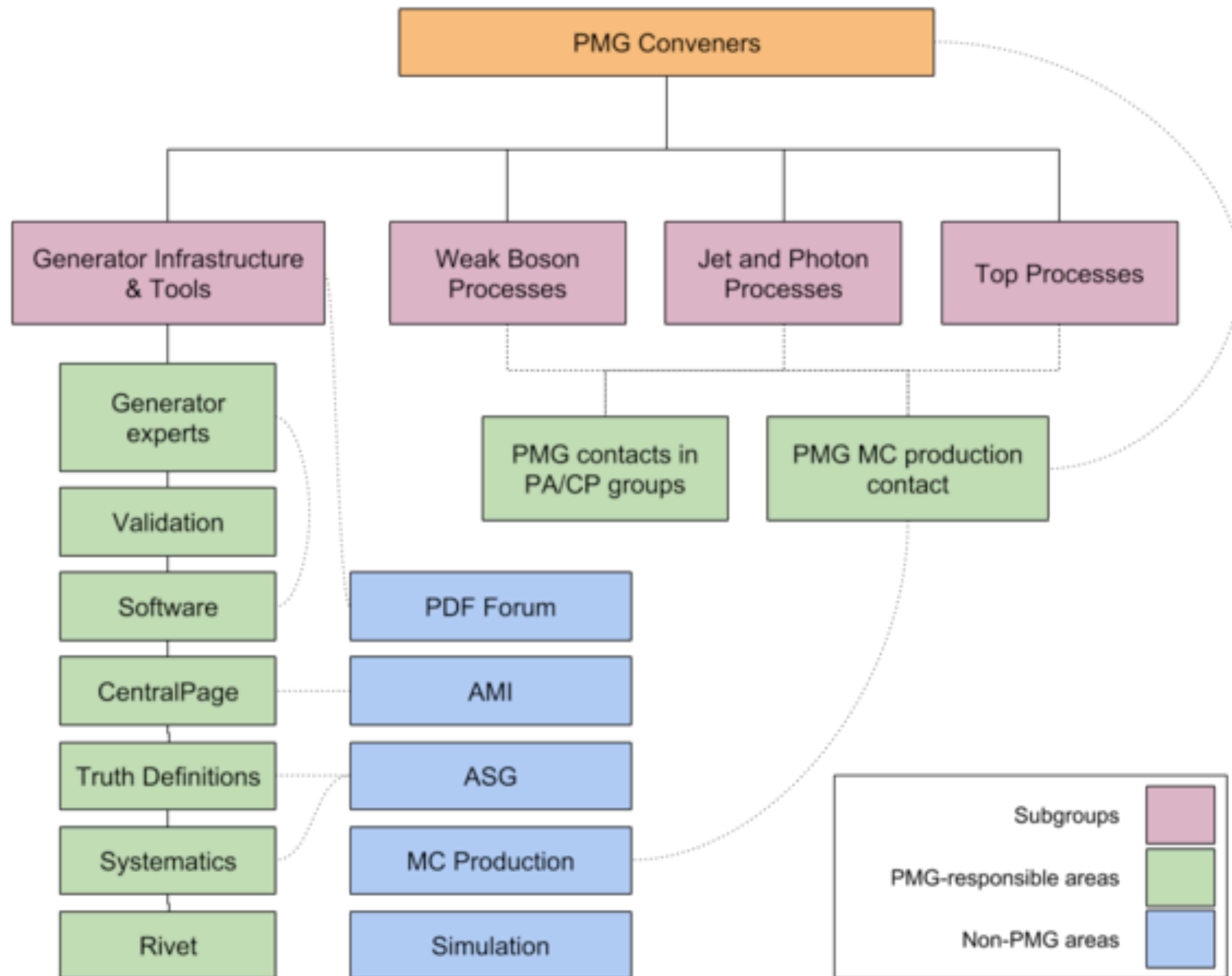


# GENERATOR VALIDATION WITHIN ATLAS

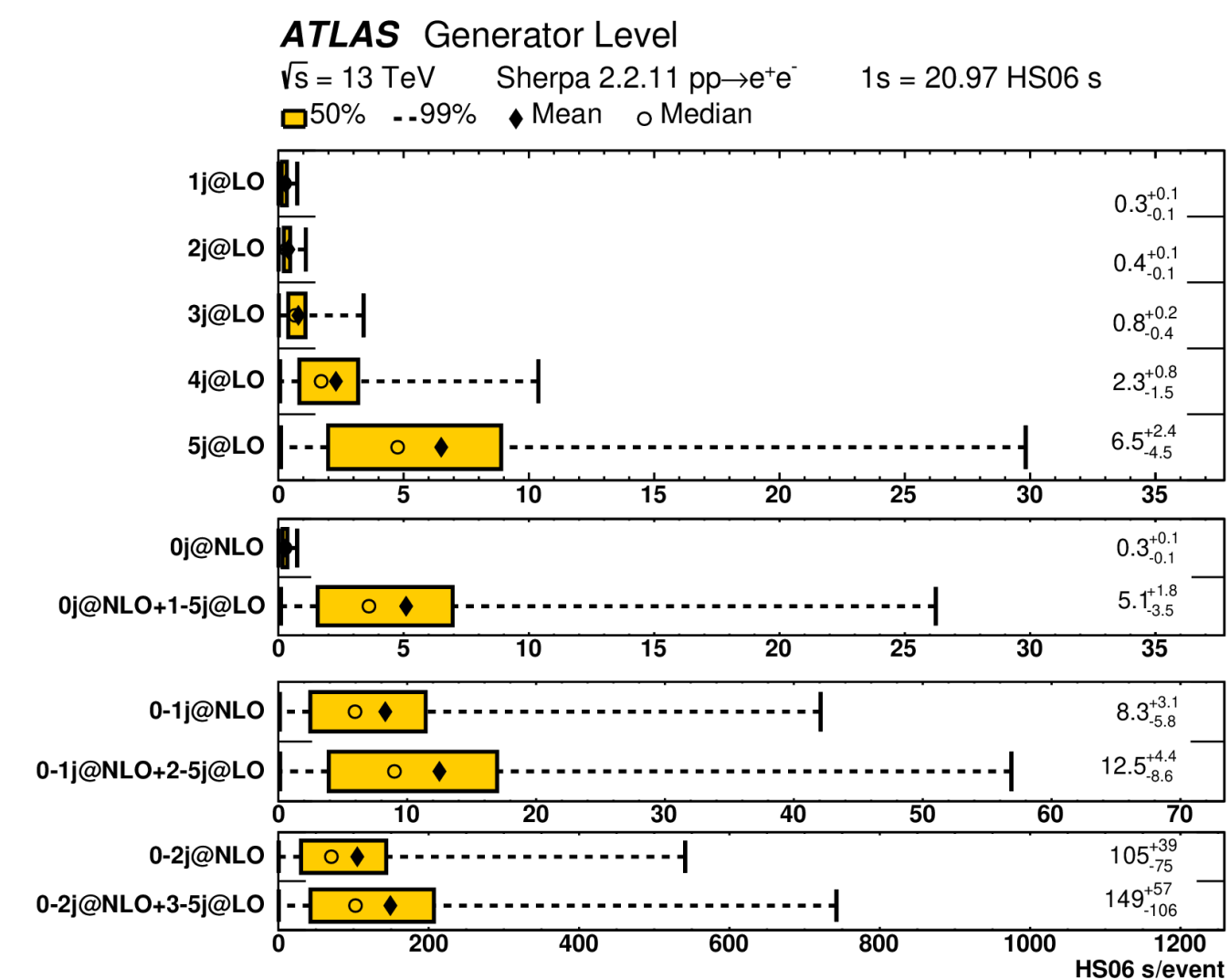
- Regular validation of event generation performed as part of the ATLAS Release Testing
  - ➔ A small output is automatically compared to a reference output from previous test
- In case of change of generator version, a more thorough validation is performed based on PAVER
  - ➔ Event samples for a variety of processes and generators are analysed with several Rivet routines and the results are compared to those of previous runs
  - ➔ Technical parameters are also compared (cross sections, event on-the-fly weights, filter efficiencies...)



# THE ATLAS PHYSICS MODELLING GROUP



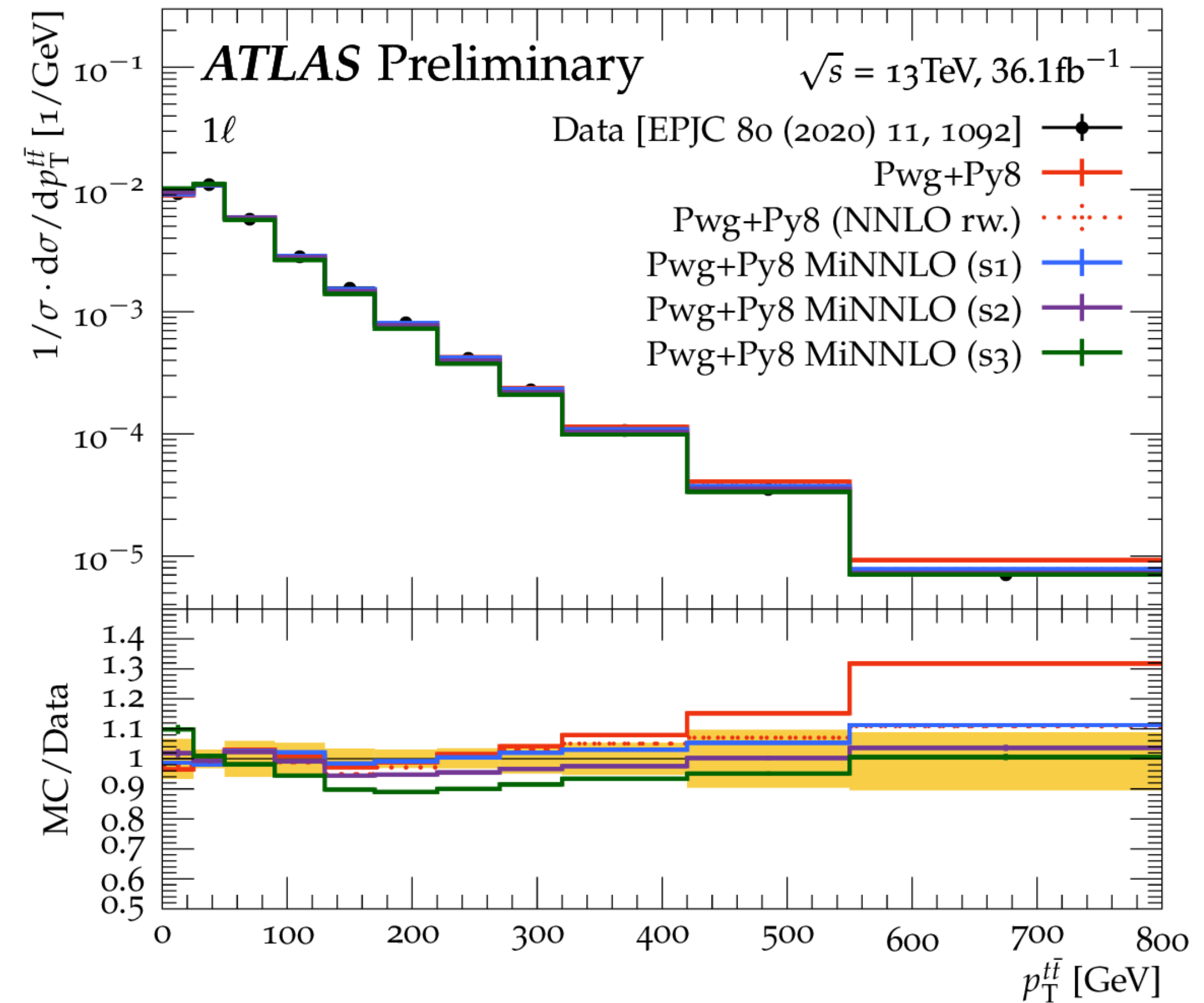
- PMG responsible for the developments and validation of MC generators and samples
  - ➔ Also responsible for setting theory uncertainty recipes for the developed samples
- Central samples developments focused on bulk SM that are used across the whole collaboration
  - ➔ Largest and most CPU consuming samples are V+jets
  - ➔ Seek for ways to improving effective statistics and reducing CPU time without compromising much the accuracy
- Studies within the group published as PUB notes





# THE ATLAS PHYSICS MODELLING GROUP

- **Slow but continuous efforts to:**
  - ➔ Update to the highest accuracy available (e.g. MiNNLO+PS)
  - ➔ Include new features in samples (e.g. EW corrections)
  - ➔ Test additional generators (e.g. Geneva)
  - ➔ New parton showers and their matching to matrix-element calculations (e.g. Vincia)
  - ➔ Tools to reduce the fraction of negative weights in samples (e.g. cell resampler or MC@NLO-Delta matching)
  - ➔ Usage of GPUs (e.g. Madgraph GPU or Pepper)
- **Difficulties in forming and retaining expertise in MC event generators within the collaboration**
  - ➔ Easy interaction with MC authors is key
  - ➔ Possibility of having an ATLAS author qualifier working with MC authors
  - ➔ MCI figure to allow MC authors attend ATLAS meetings and ease the exchange of information



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# **(SOME) MC GENERATORS CODES WISHLIST**

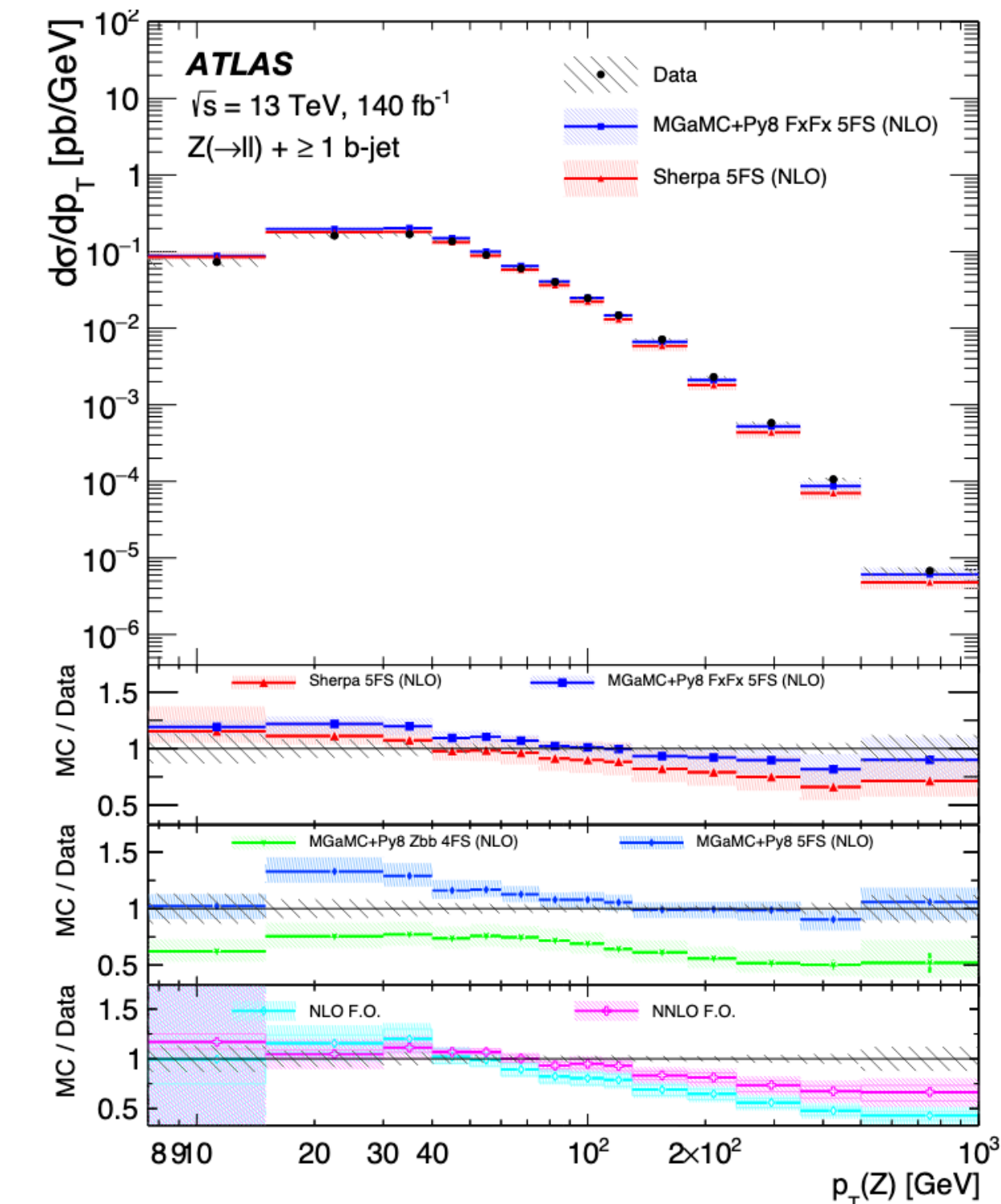
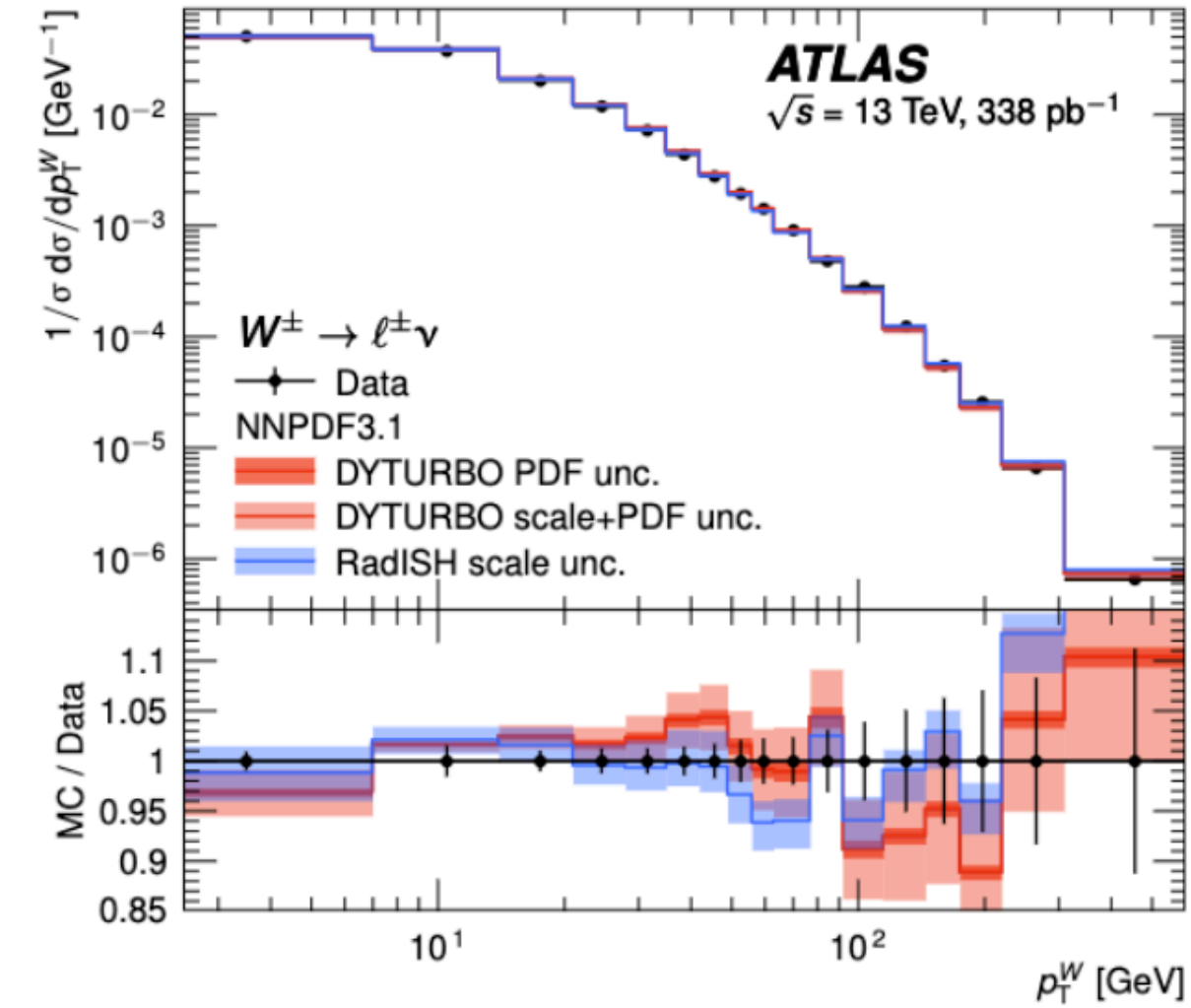
- **Many new features and fancy generator versions take long to make production ready in ATLAS**
  - ➔ **Experienced problems with e.g bb4l, Vincia**
  - ➔ **Lack of knowledge within the collaboration that need assistance from authors**
- **Efficient phase-space biasing and filtering**
  - ➔ **ATLAS has gained some experience with phase-space biasing in V+jets production**
  - ➔ **Time consuming to ensure proper working of biasing and no issues with physics results. Any regular checks that can be performed?**
  - ➔ **Heavy-flavour filtering: many events thrown away. Exploring ways of enhancing heavy flavour production and improve filter efficiency is needed**
- **Optimisation of parallelisation: integration of processes does not scale with CPU**
- **Improvement of negative weights**
- **Sharing of samples and common tuning with CMS**

**Many of these topics to be discussed in the recently formed LHC MC working group**



# (SOME) PHYSICS MODELLING POINTS

- Going beyond NNLO seems needed for some processes (e.g. DY, top)
  - ➔ N<sup>3</sup>LOPS for specific processes
  - ➔ How far are we from NNLO QCD + NLO EW + PS ?
- Sometimes we are interested in interference effects which are intrinsically difficult to model (e.g.  $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$  and  $\gamma\gamma$  QCD)
- Better accuracy/control of parton showers, mass effects and non-perturbative models
- **UNCERTAINTIES!!**
  - ➔ It is taking years to build a systematic uncertainty model for the different processes
  - ➔ Limiting several measurements
  - ➔ Theory guidance is key



# SUMMARY

- **ATLAS has a wide programme for precision measurements**
  - ➔ **At the same time looking for new physics and rare production never observed before**
- **It combine standard analysis strategies of measurement of differential cross sections or extraction of SM parameters with new methodologies**
- **Improving the precision of the measurements and understanding the modelling in MC generators is key to improve the sensitivity to new physics effects**
  - ➔ **A large number of measurements currently including SMEFT interpretations**
- **ATLAS has a continuous effort to adapt to the newest MC versions and provide samples for the general use of the collaboration**
  - ➔ **Improvement in the knowledge exchange with MC authors is key for the success of the ATLAS SM and BSM programme**
  - ➔ **Many of the topics can be discussed in the LHC MC working group**

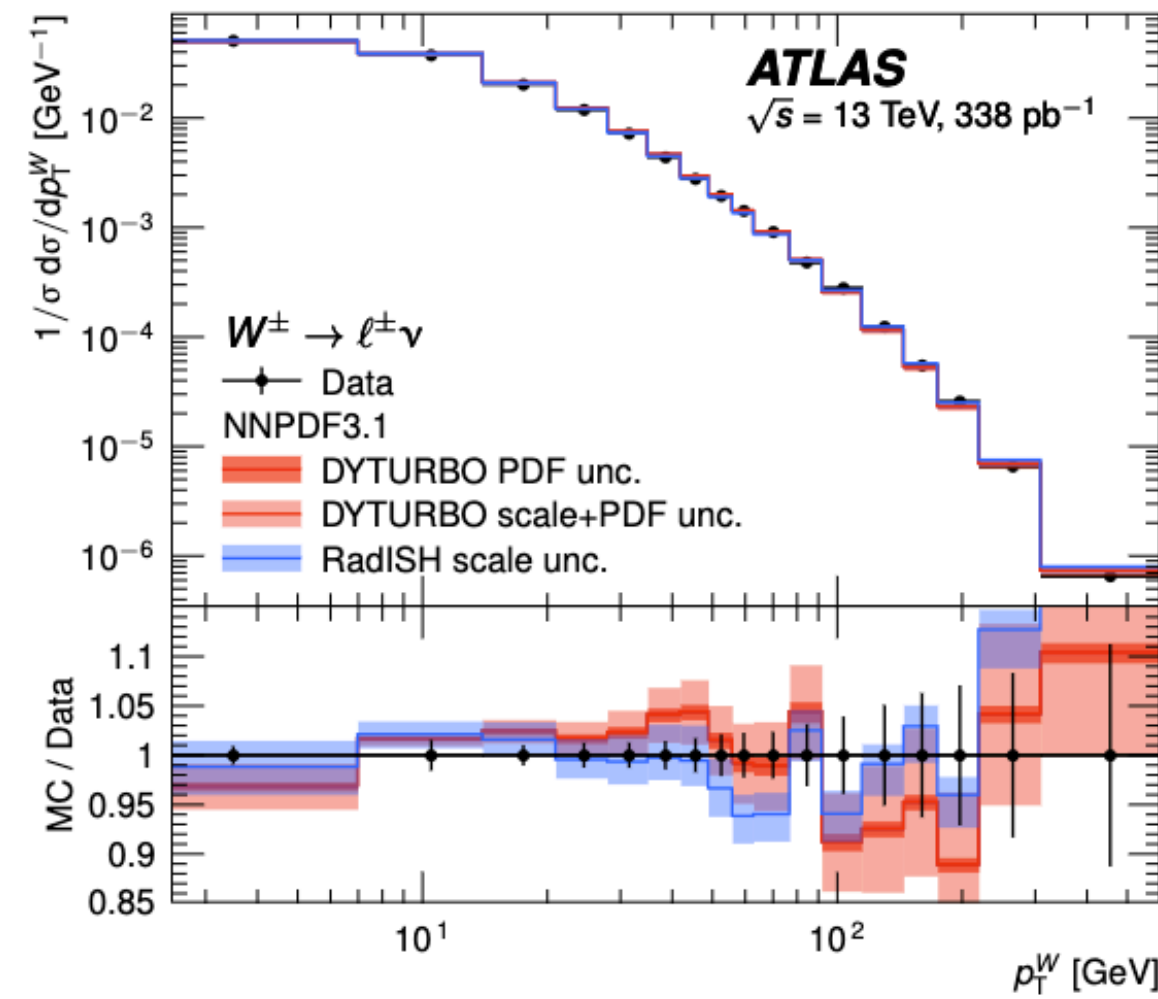
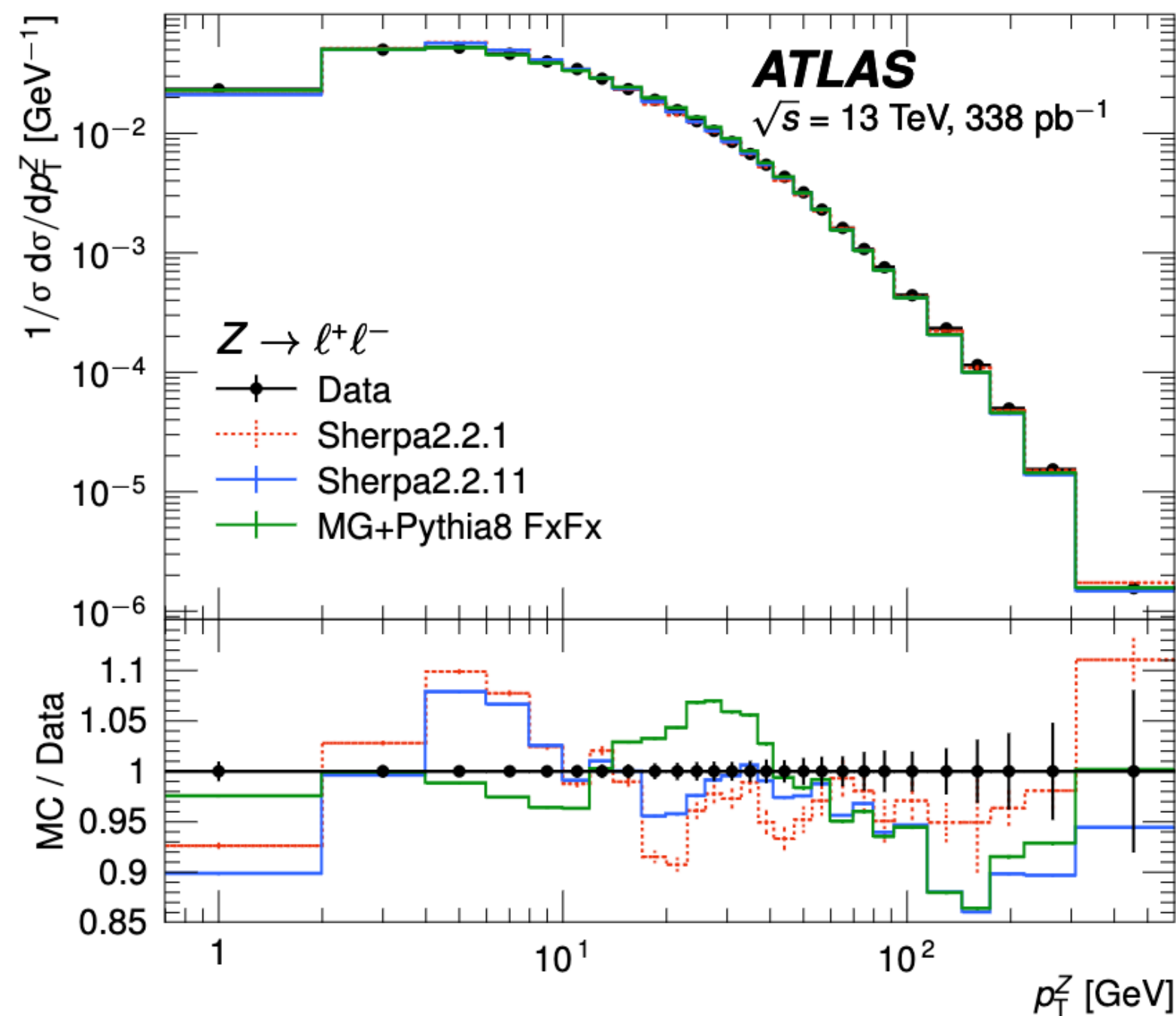


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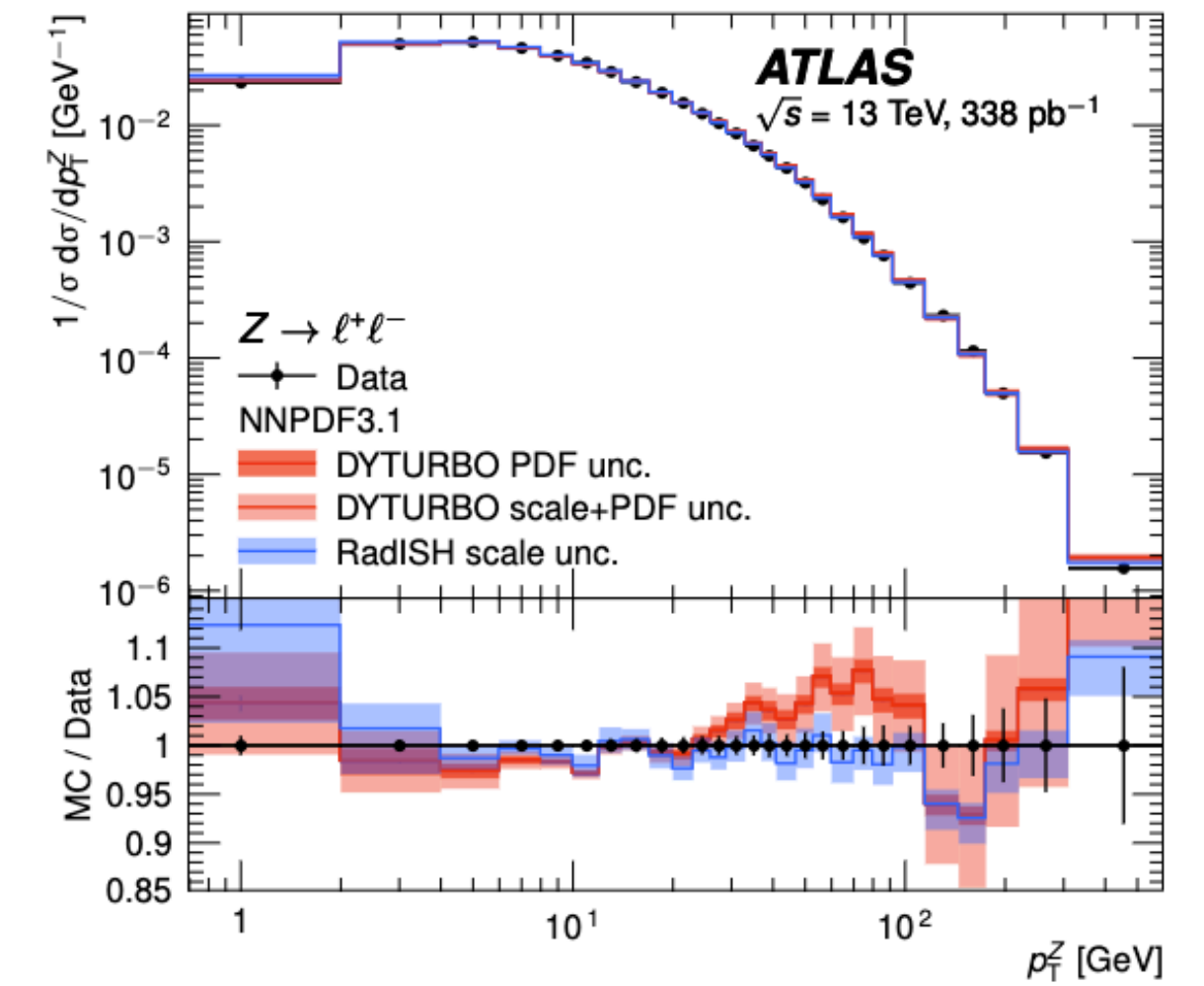
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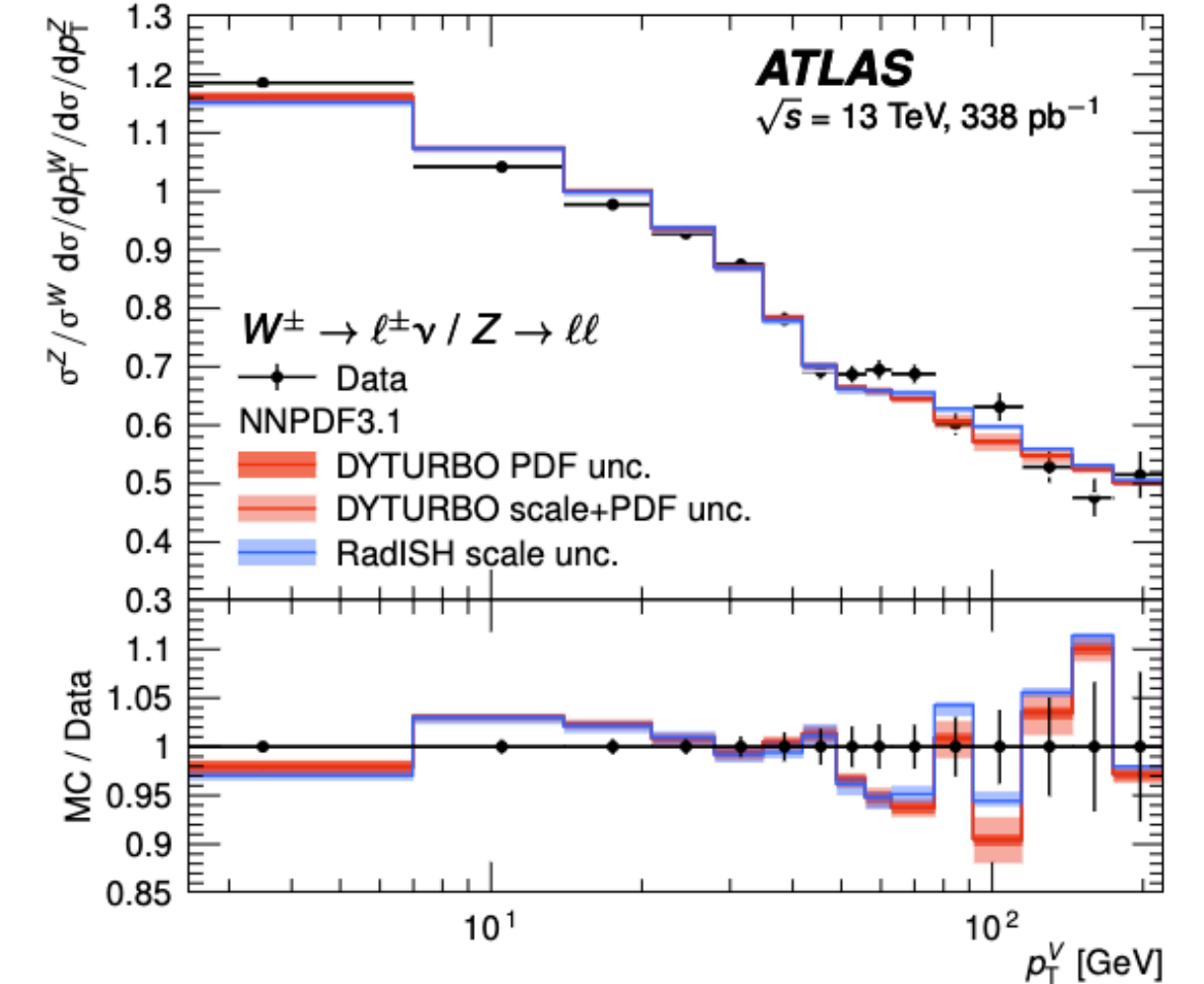
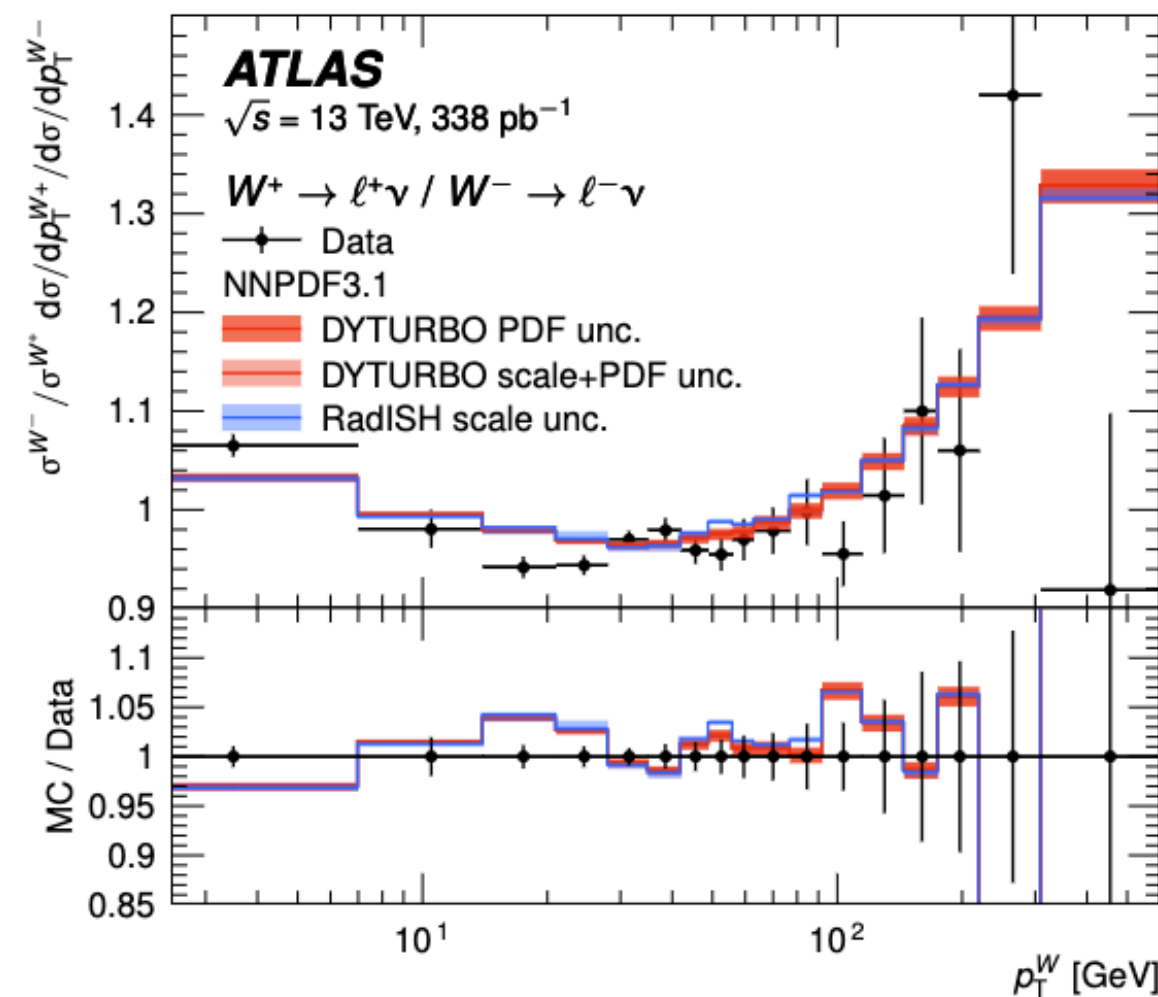
- Comparisons to Radish at  $\sqrt{s}=13$  TeV and multi-leg predictions
- ➔ Radish is NNLO QCD + N3LL



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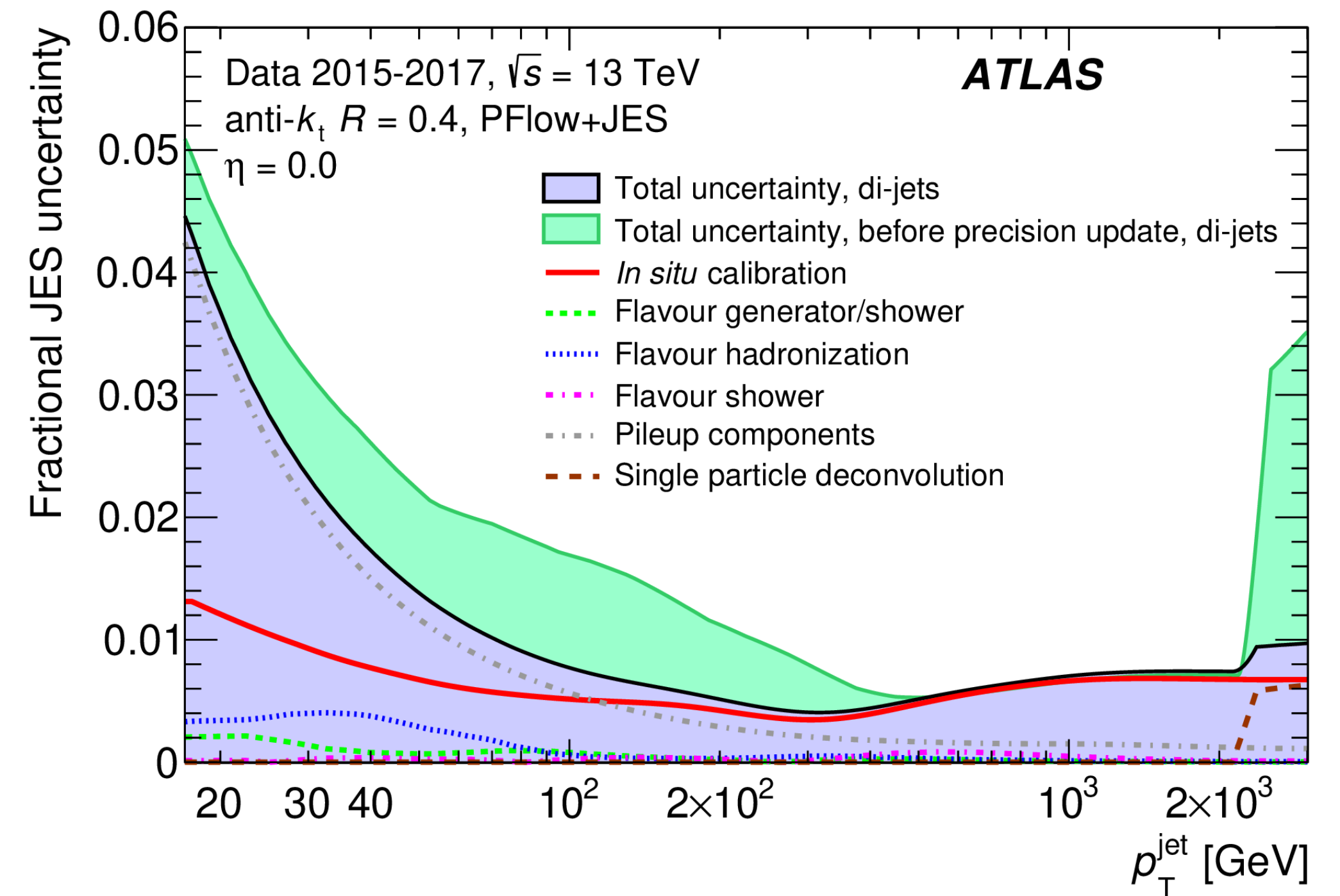
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# JETS PHYSICS: R3/2 RATIO

- Revisited “flavour response uncertainty” of jet energy scale
  - ➔ Flavour response depends on particle content and their  $p_T$  spectrum which can have noticeable differences in different hadronisation models
  - ➔ New factorised uncertainty targeting different regimes of the parton shower, hadronization or UE
  - ➔ Improvements at low and medium transverse momenta



# UNBINNED DIFFERENTIAL CROSS SECTIONS IN Z+JETS

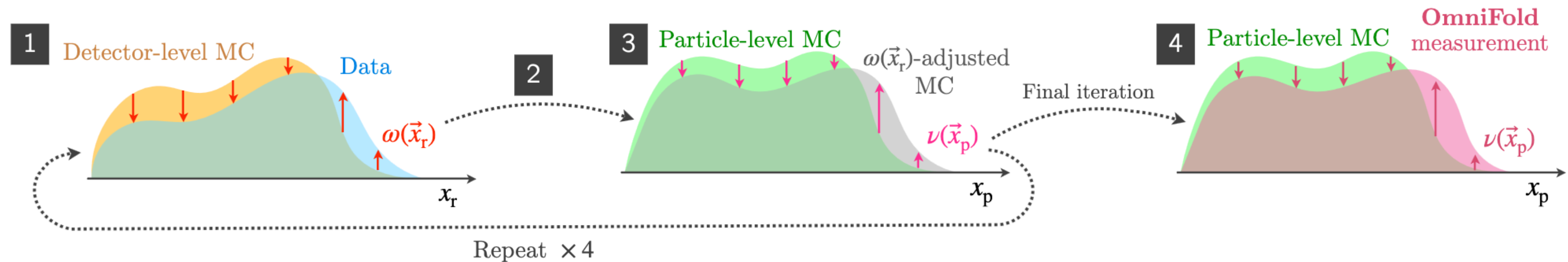


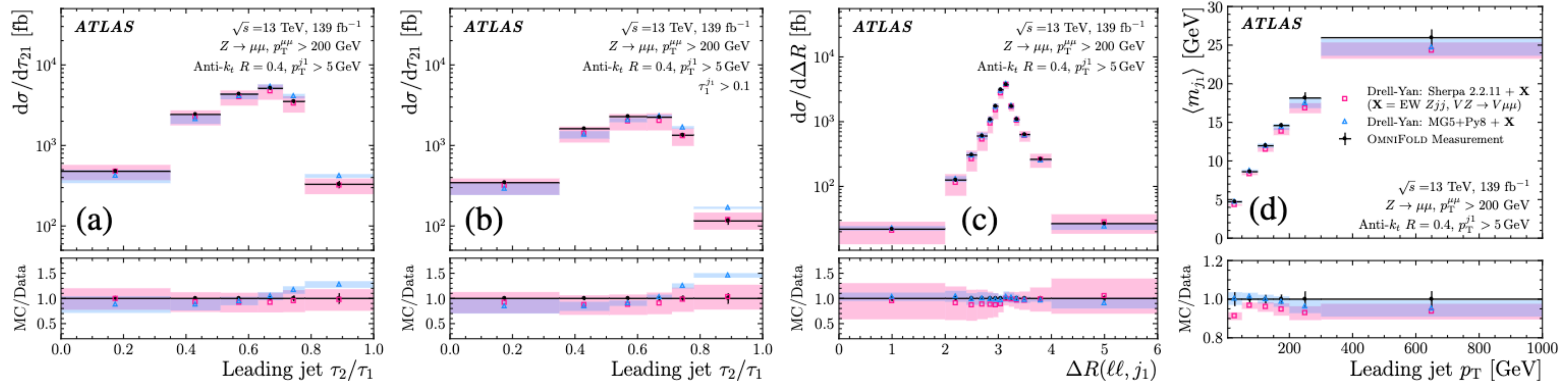
Figure 3: Illustration of the OMNIFOLD method. First, MC is corrected to match data at the detector level. Second, particle-level MC is adjusted by propagating the learned correction through the MC using a weighting function  $\omega(\vec{x}_r)$ . Third, a new correction  $\nu(\vec{x}_p)$  is learned based on particle-level quantities only. Finally,  $\nu(\vec{x}_p)$  is propagated through the MC back to the detector level achieving an improved agreement to data. The method proceeds iteratively four more times, achieving a combined function  $\nu(\vec{x}_p)$  that reweights the MC such that the event yields and kinematics match those observed in the data.



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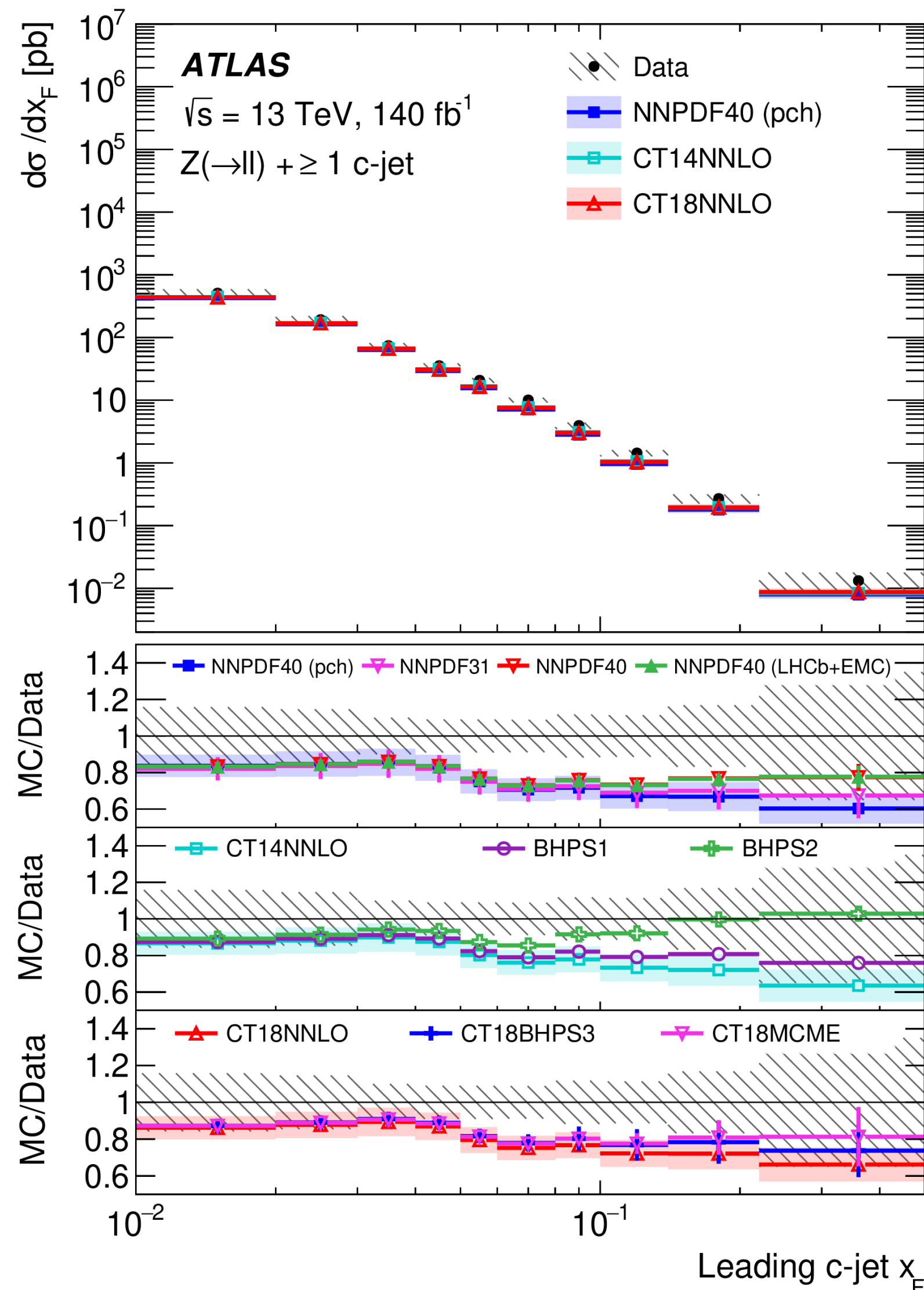
Z+b and Z+bb / modelling is important 4FS and 5FS, fixed-order NLO and NNLO

- Z+jets cross section in 24 observables using Omnifold
  - ➔ Machine learning technique using discriminative NN that generalises the Iterative Bayesian Unfolding for correction for detector effects
- Results are presented as an unbinned dataset allowing the re-use adjusting the binning or building new observables starting from the 24 ones originally measured
- Recommendations on how to use the dataset formatted as Panda DataFrame also provided



# Z BOSON IN ASSOCIATION WITH ONE OR TWO B- OR C-JETS

$$x_F = 2|p_z(c)|/\sqrt{s}$$



- aMC@NLO+Pythia FxFx (5FS) compared to data with several PDF sets testing different intrinsic charm models
  - ➔ PDFs with large IC contribution, such as CT14 BHPS2 (2.1% IC) agree at large  $x_F$
  - ➔ More realist PDF fits (NNPDF4.0 + LHCb + EMC) only marginal improvement at high  $x_F$