

Background estimation for searches for supersymmetry in the single lepton final state in 13 TeV pp collisions

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Supersymmetry (SUSY)

Symmetry between **bosons** and **fermions**

Supersymmetric particle is assigned to each particle in the SM

Quantum numbers remain unchanged, **spin differs** by $\pm 1/2$

Chiral supermultiplet

- leptons and quarks have spin-0 super partners (sleptons and squarks)
- 2 chiral Higgs doublets are necessary, partners are the higgsinos

Vector supermultiplet

- SM gauge bosons have spin-1/2 superpartners, called gauginos
- charged (neutral) higgsinos, winos and binos can mix to charged (neutral) mass eigenstates, called charginos (neutralinos)

SUSY particle masses $\neq$ SM particle masses $\rightarrow$ **broken symmetry**

name	spin 0	spin 1/2
squarks, quarks ($\times 3$ families)	$(\tilde{u}_L \ \tilde{d}_L)$ $\tilde{u}_R^*$ $\tilde{d}_R^*$	$(u_L \ d_L)$ $u_R^\dagger$ $d_R^\dagger$
sleptons, leptons ($\times 3$ families)	$(\tilde{\nu} \ \tilde{e}_L)$ $\tilde{e}_R^*$	$(\nu \ e_L)$ $e_R^\dagger$
Higgs, higgsinos	$(H_u^+ \ H_u^0)$ $(H_d^0 \ H_d^-)$	$(\tilde{H}_u^+ \ \tilde{H}_u^0)$ $(\tilde{H}_d^0 \ \tilde{H}_d^-)$

name	spin 1/2	spin 1
gluino, gluon	$\tilde{g}$	g
winos, W bosons	$\tilde{W}^\pm \ \tilde{W}^0$	$W^\pm \ W^0$
binos, B bosons	$\tilde{B}^0$	B^0

Compact Muon Solenoid (CMS)

CMS DETECTOR

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

STEEL RETURN YOKE
12,500 tonnes

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

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

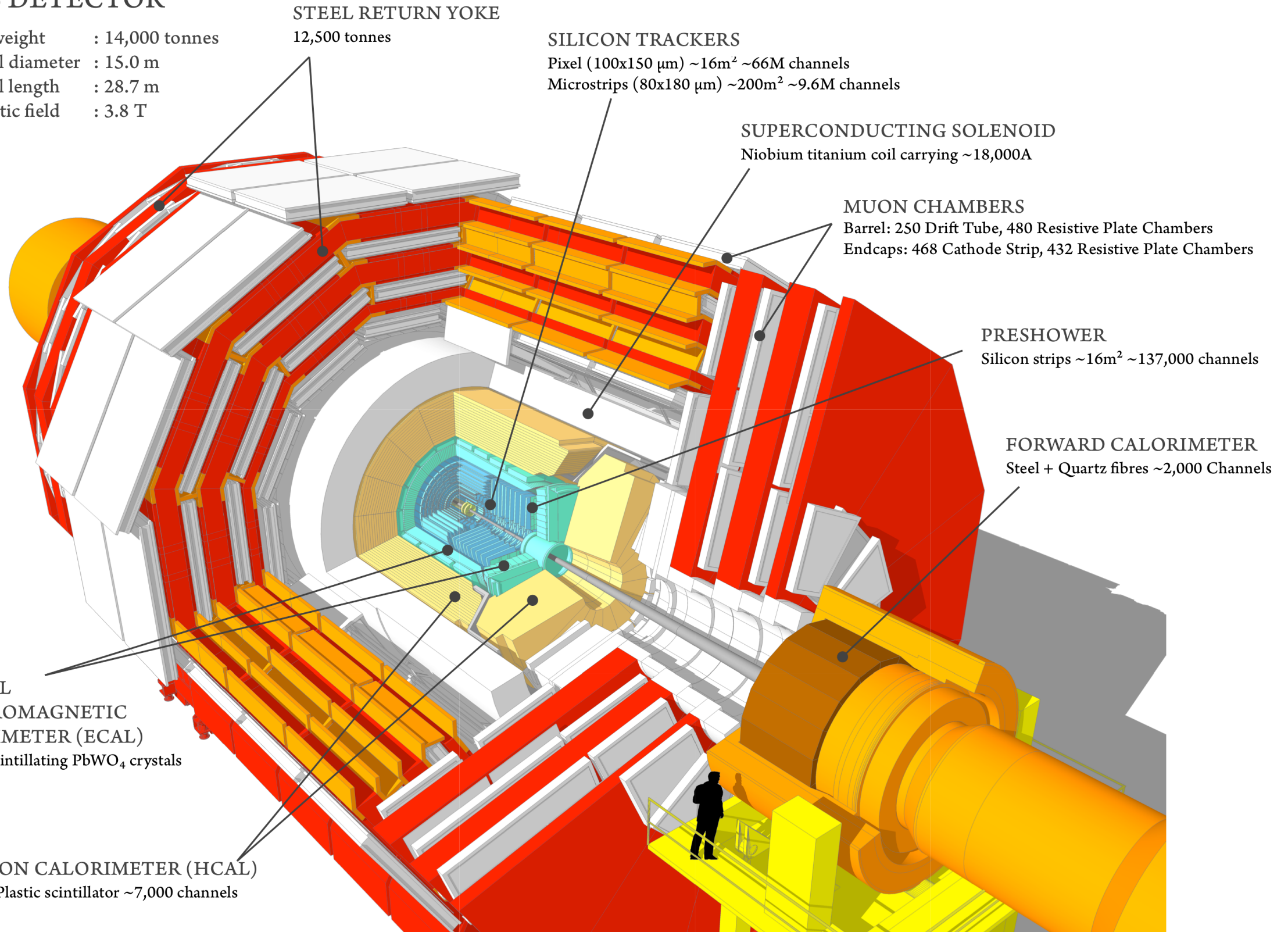
MUON CHAMBERS
Barrel: 250 Drift Tube, 480 Resistive Plate Chambers
Endcaps: 468 Cathode Strip, 432 Resistive Plate Chambers

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

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

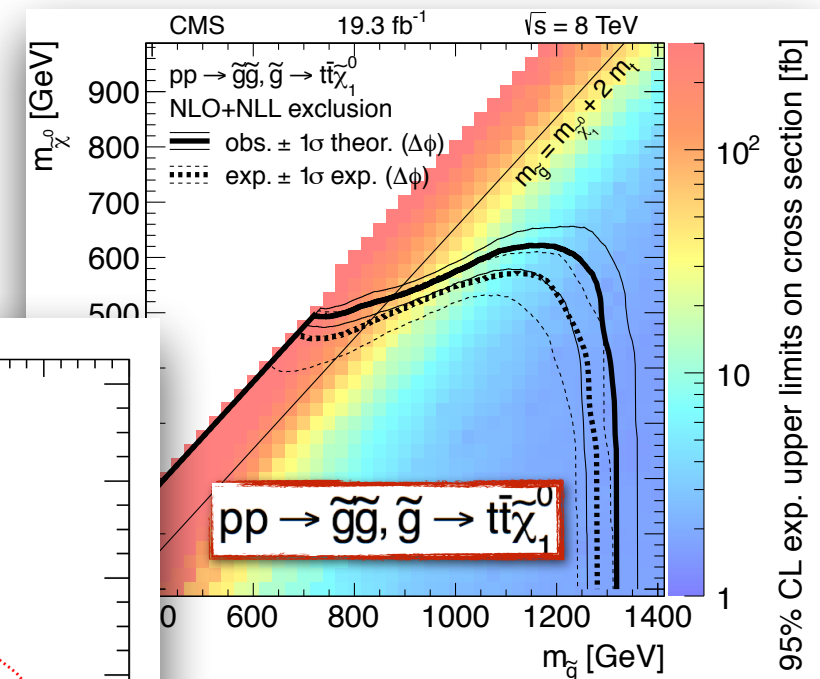
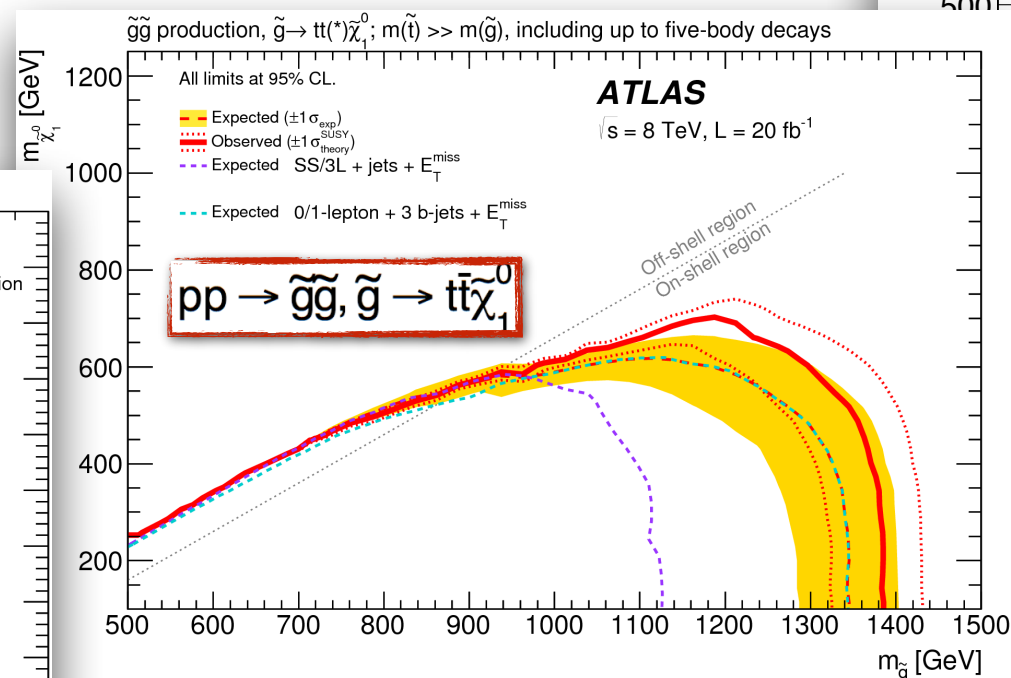
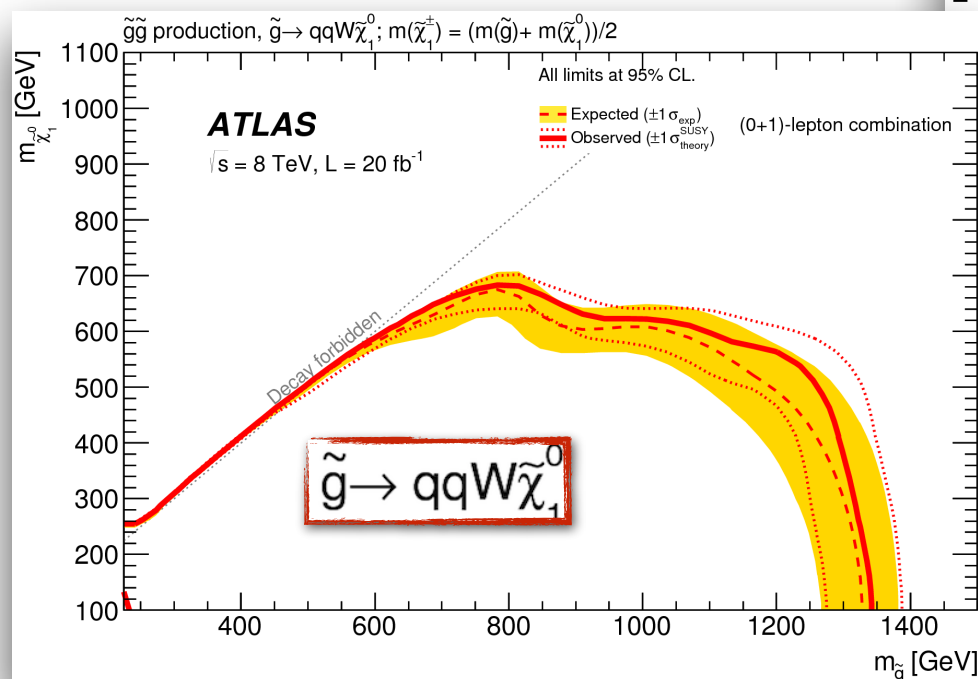
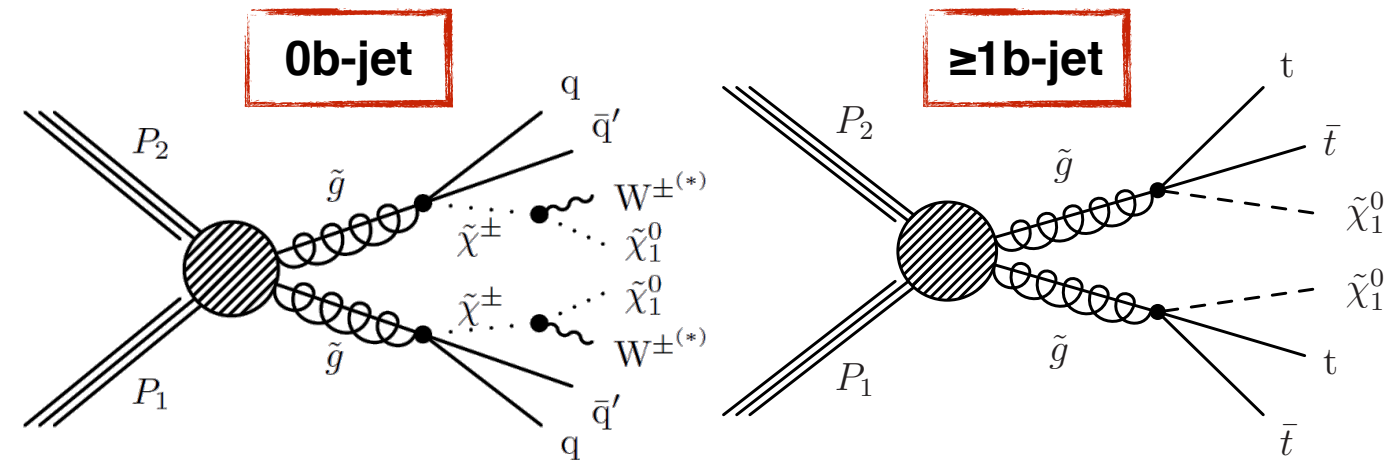
CRYSTAL
ELECTROMAGNETIC
CALORIMETER (ECAL)
 $\sim 76,000$ scintillating PbWO_4 crystals

HADRON CALORIMETER (HCAL)
Brass + Plastic scintillator $\sim 7,000$ channels



Search for SUSY in events with one electron or muon

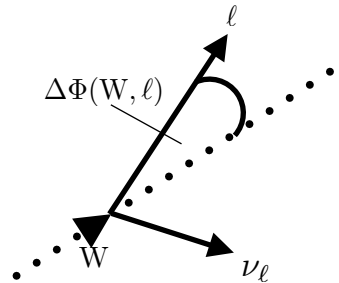
- joint effort of data analysis groups from Athens, CERN, DESY Hamburg and HEPHY Vienna
- consider **simplified models**
- **separated** by the number of **bottom quarks**
- search focuses on **gluino pair production**
- **First analysis** in **CMS** of $\tilde{g}\tilde{g} \rightarrow q\bar{q}q\bar{q}WW\tilde{\chi}_1^0\tilde{\chi}_1^0$ model
- CMS results from 8 TeV data exclude gluino masses < 1.26 TeV [1]
- ATLAS performed searches for both models [2] on 8 TeV data
- masses up to **1.2 - 1.31 TeV** are excluded



Analysis strategy

- **Vienna** performed the SUSY search in **0b-jet channel**
- search focuses on **gluino pair production** and **decay** through **chargino**
 - large number of jets, n_{jets}
 - high hadronic activity, $H_T = \sum p_T(\text{jets})$
 - high momentum imbalance, $L_T = p_T(\text{lepton}) + E_T^{\text{miss}}$

- search variable: **azimuthal angle between W and lepton**

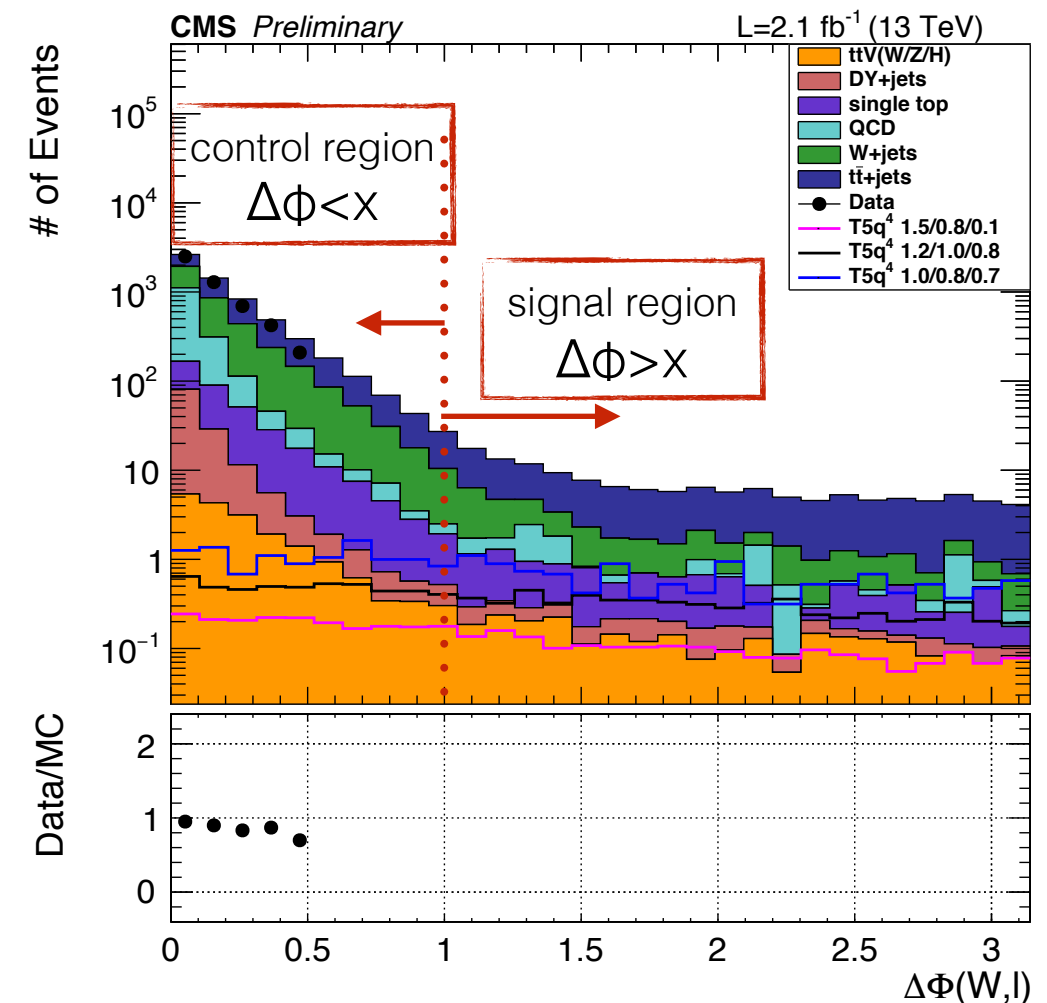
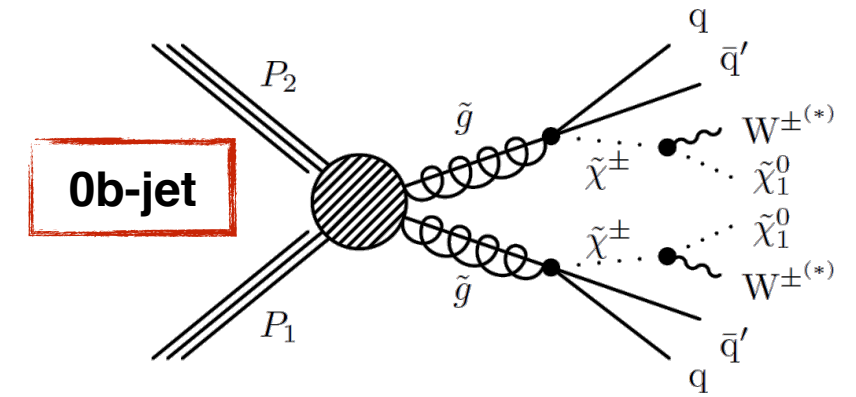


- events with a genuine $W \rightarrow \ell \nu$ decay have a maximum
- SUSY signal has a uniform distribution because of two neutralinos

- expected signal yields after event selection:

	T5q ⁴ 1/0.8/0.7	T5q ⁴ 1.2/1.0/0.8	T5q ⁴ 1.5/0.8/0.1	All BKG
$\Delta\Phi > x$	18.3	9.2	2.9	44

- search performed on **2.1fb⁻¹ dataset** recorded in 2015
- data was blinded during the completion of my thesis



Data-driven background estimation

Dominant backgrounds are **tt+jets** and **W+jets**

- estimation is based on the **R_{CS} transfer factor**:

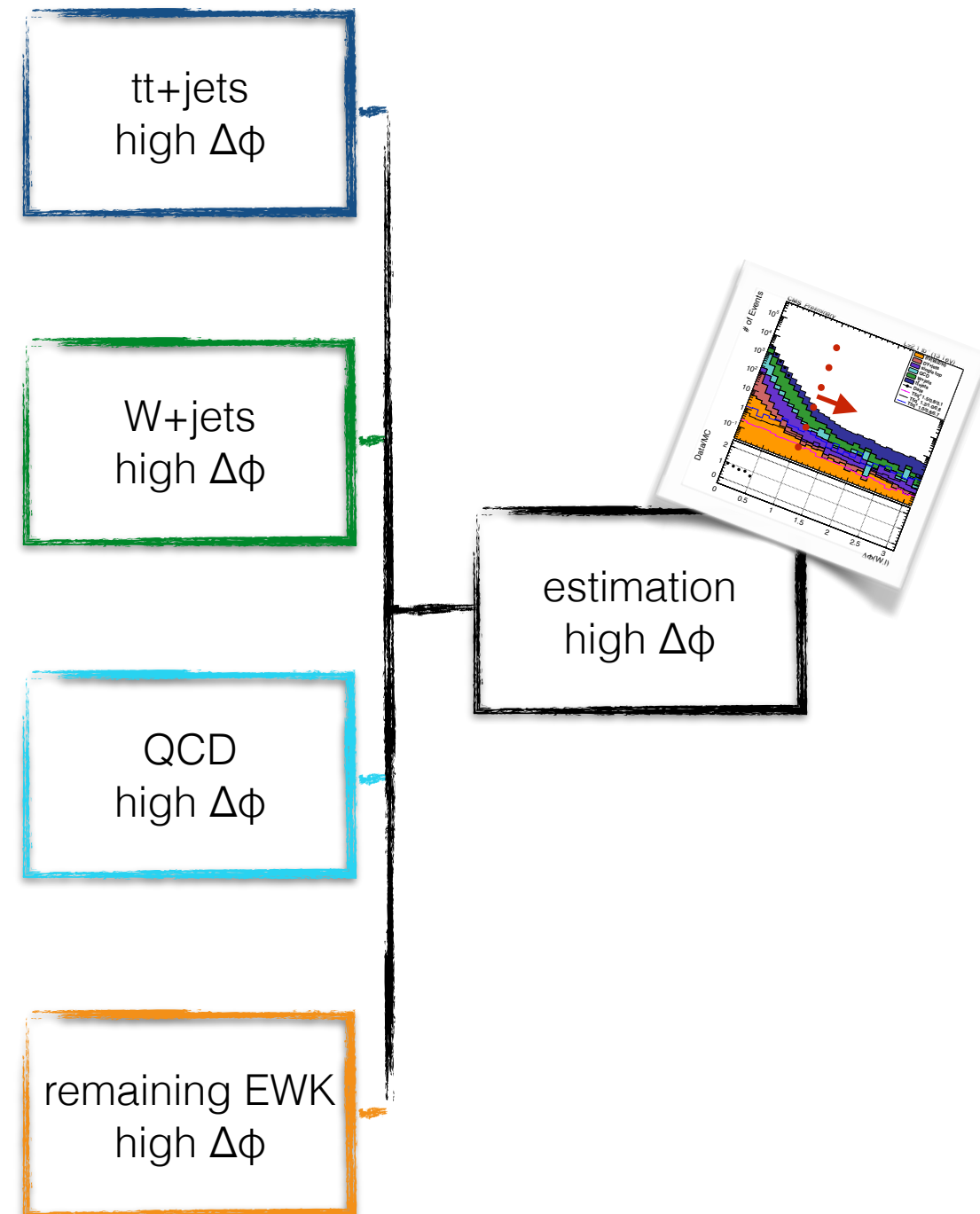
$$R_{CS} = \frac{N_{SR}}{N_{CR}} = \frac{\text{Number of events with } \Delta\Phi(W,\ell) > x}{\text{Number of events with } \Delta\Phi(W,\ell) < x}$$

- determine **R_{CS}** in **data** in a **low jet sideband** region
- R_{CS} is almost **independent** of jet multiplicity
- scale** the event yield from **low Δφ region** to **signal region**

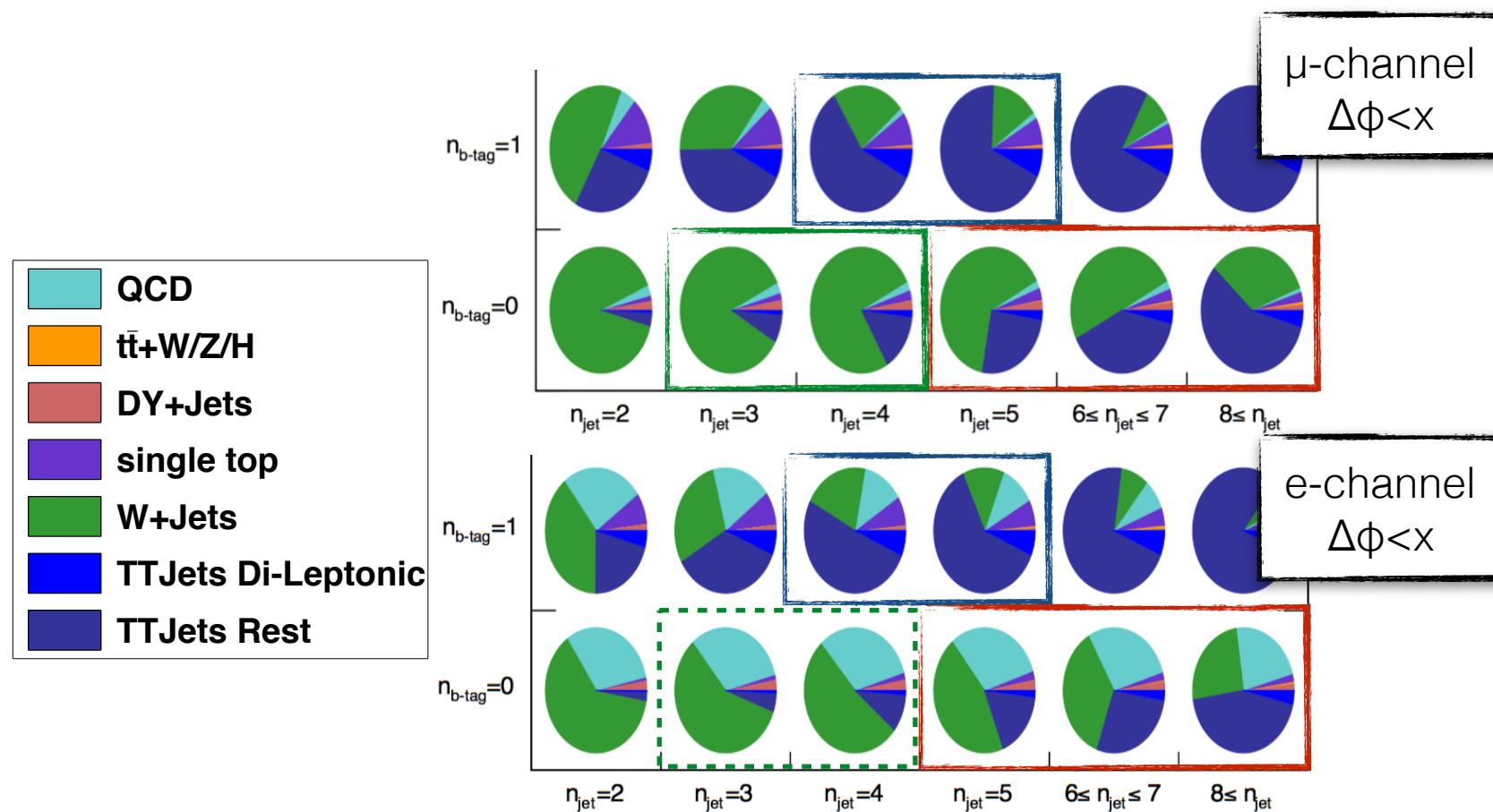
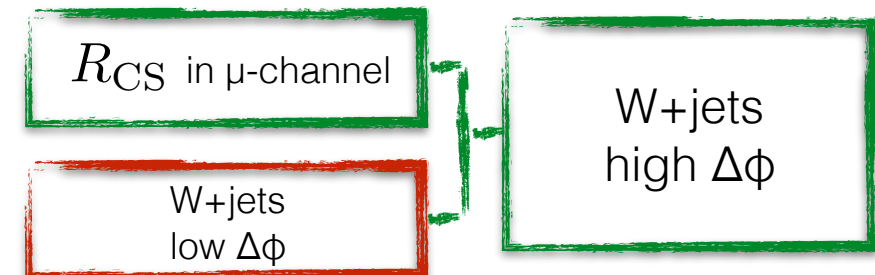
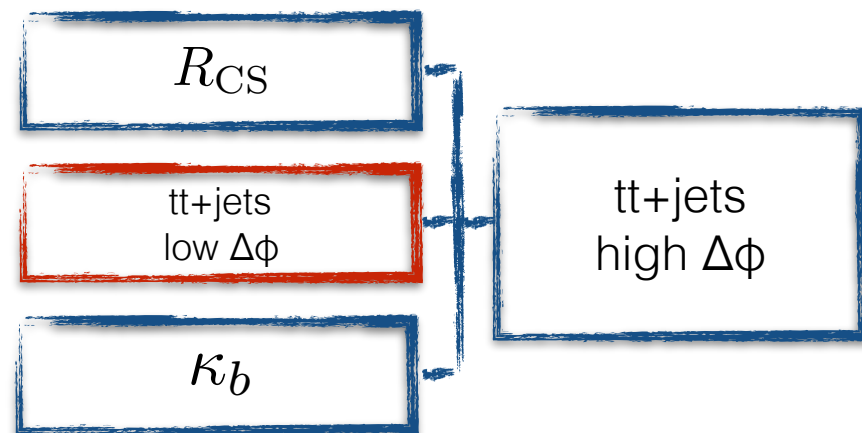
QCD multijet background is estimated with a different approach

- separately estimated in electron and muon channel
- subtraction** in low jet **sidebands**

Remaining EWK backgrounds are taken from **MC** simulations

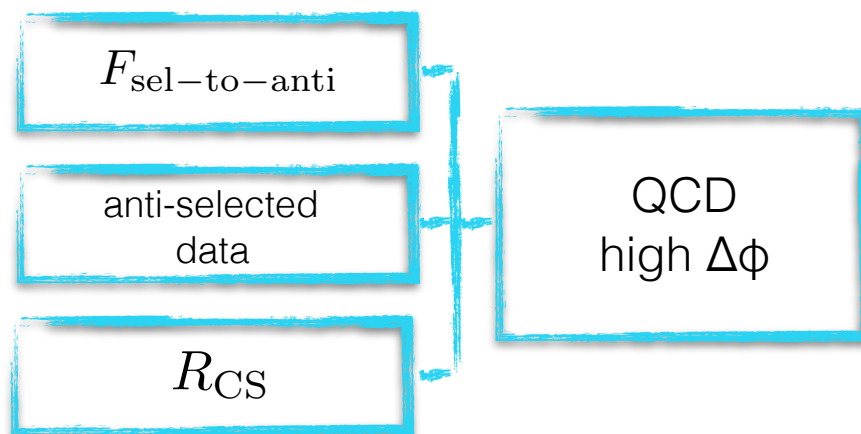
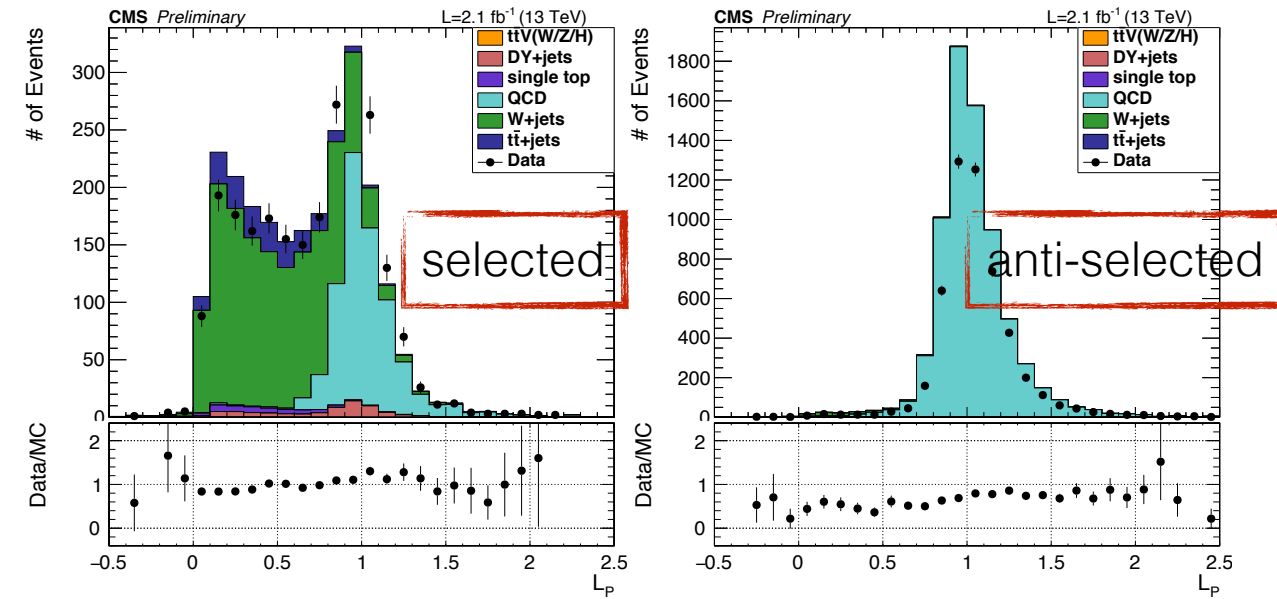


Prediction of the $t\bar{t}$ +jets and W +jets background



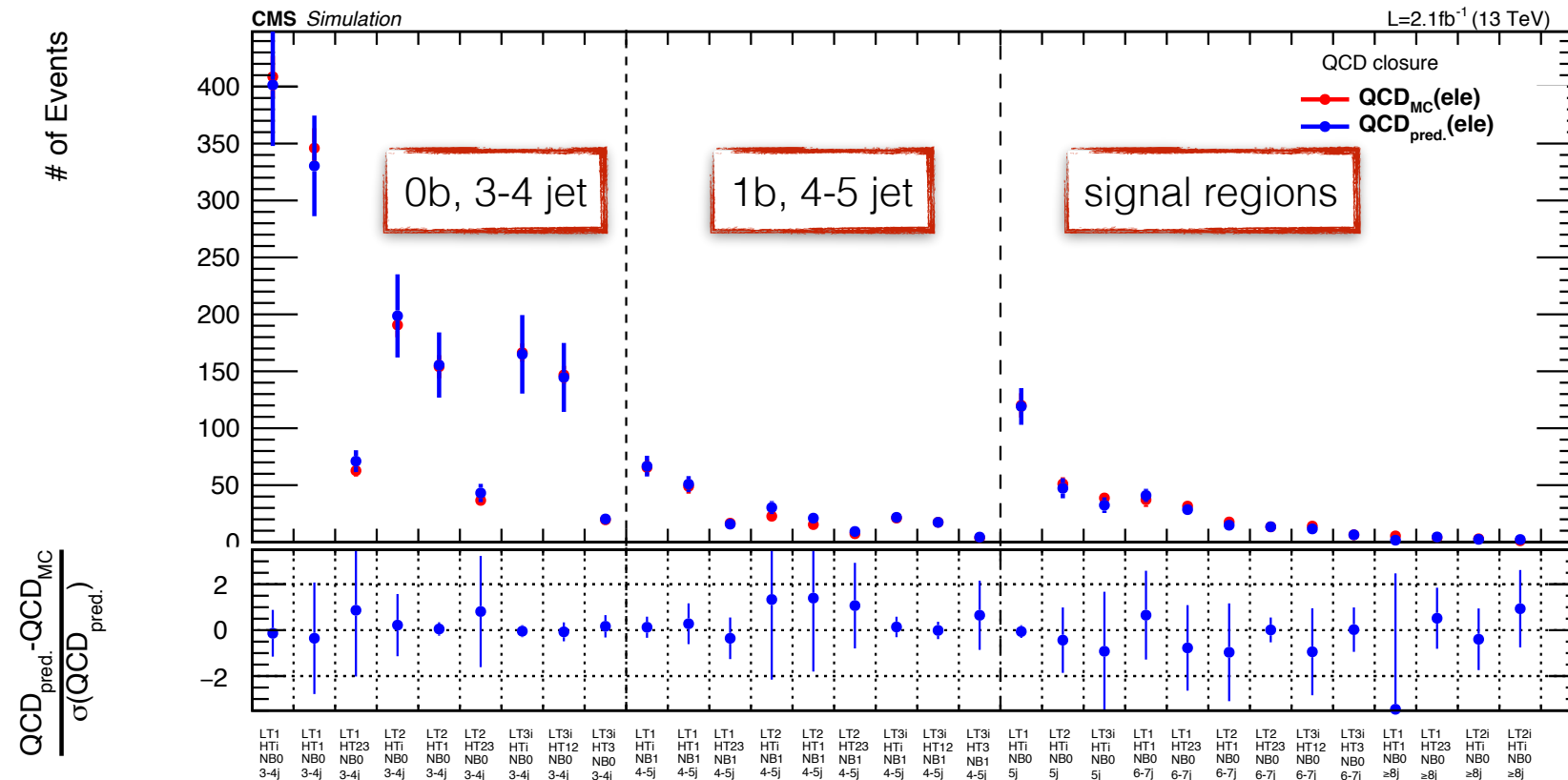
QCD multijet background estimation

- estimated in the **electron channel**
- data-driven method based on L_P variable
- L_P reflects the **W boson polarization**
- **invert** the electron **identification** requirements
- **no impact** on L_P distribution

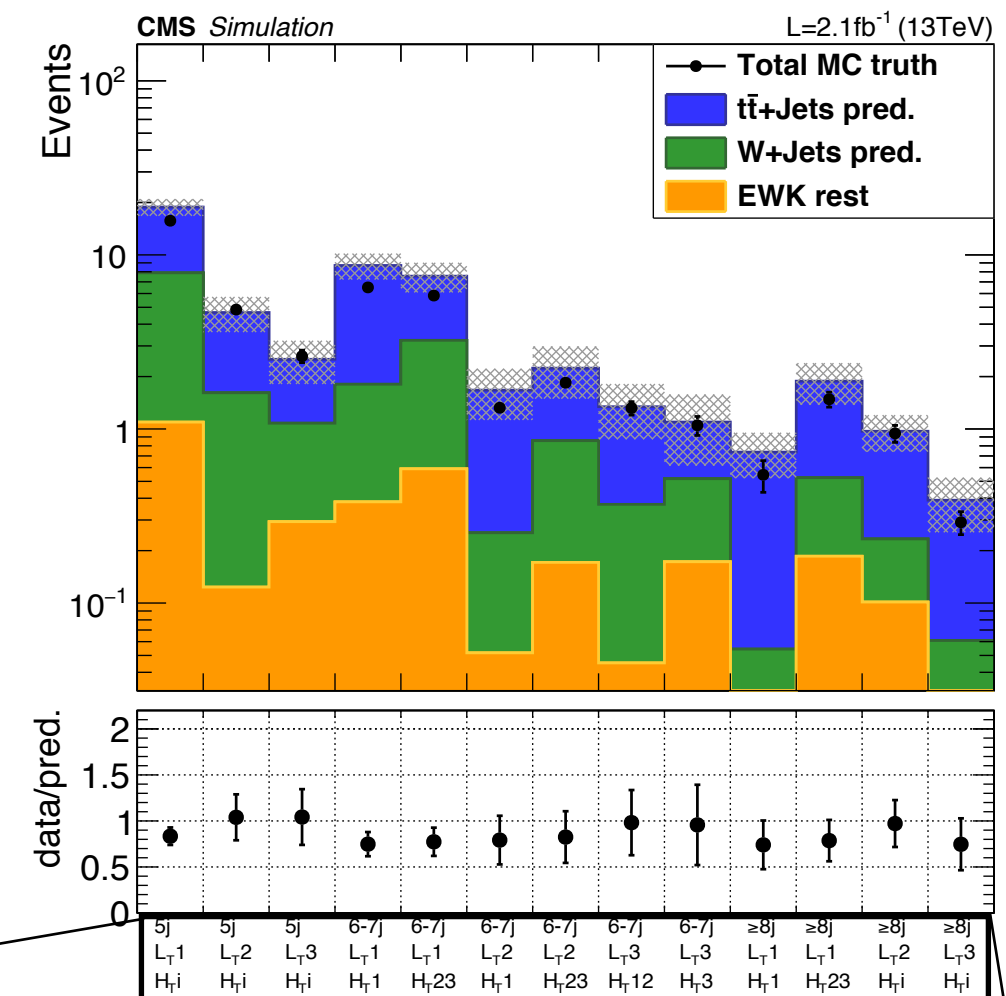


- ratio of '**selected**' to '**anti-selected**' events in 3-4 jet, 0b-jets sideband
- **F_{sel-to-antisel}** almost independent of the jet multiplicity
- R_{CS} **well below 1%**
- QCD multijet background **negligible** in **signal regions**

Closure test

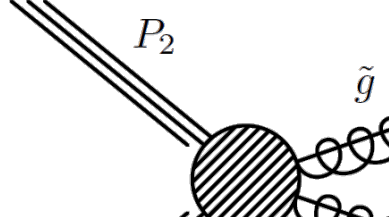


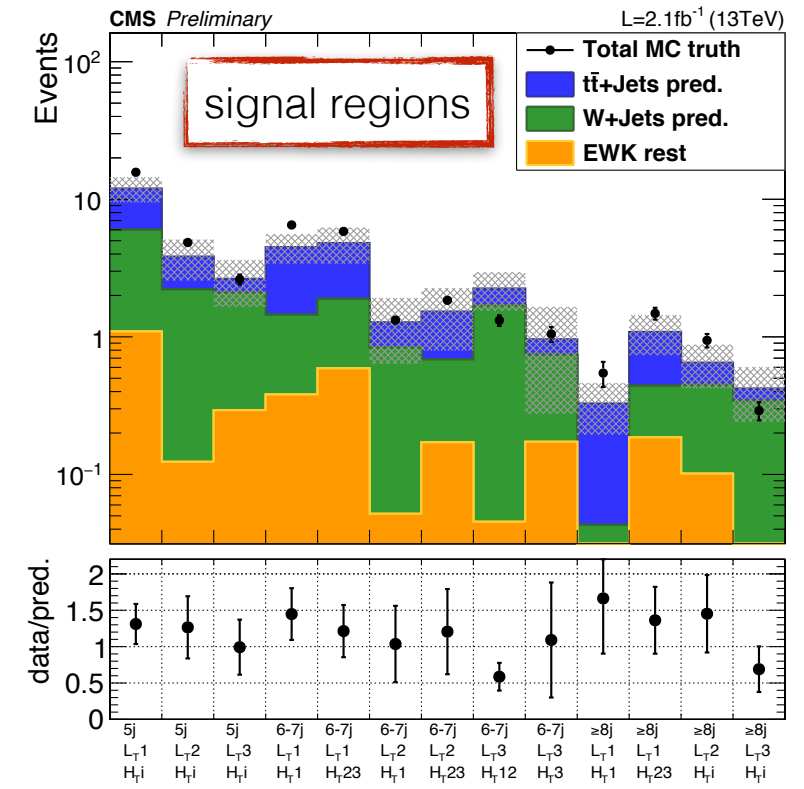
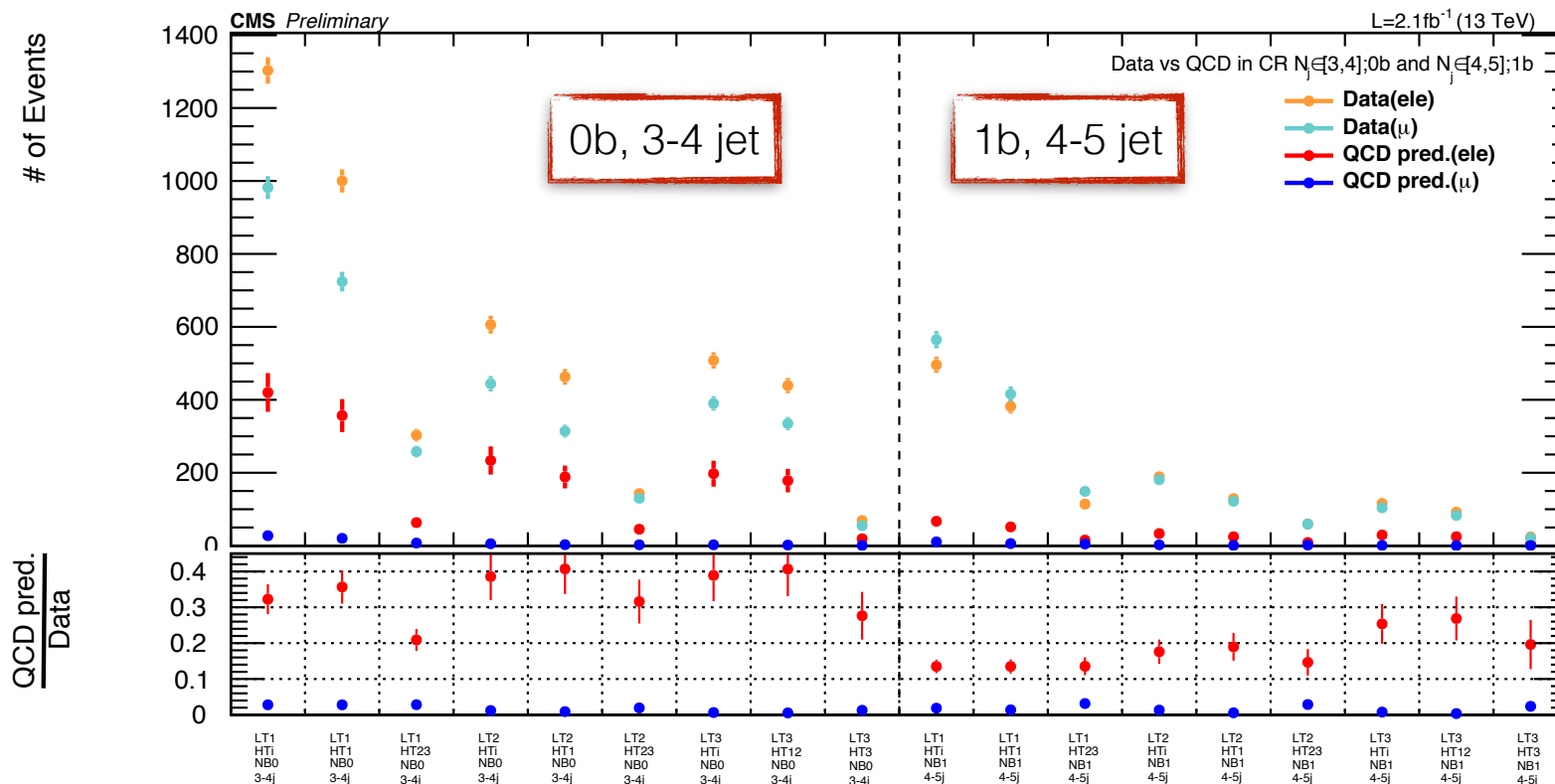
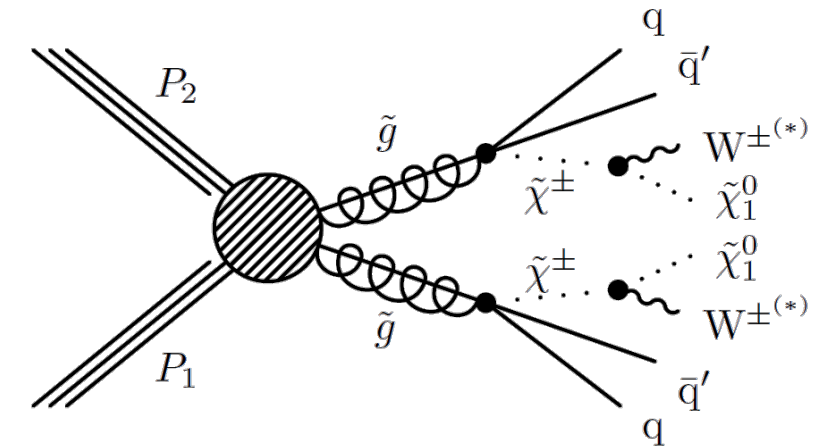
- combined EWK and QCD MC samples are used as a data template
- closure test performed in the two sidebands and the high jet multiplicity search regions
- good agreement between prediction and expectation
- derived results are reliable



5j	5j	5j	6-7j	6-7j	6-7j	6-7j	6-7j	6-7j	≥8j	≥8j	≥8j	≥8j
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Summary and conclusion

- First analysis in CMS, focussing on gluino pair production and decay through chargino
 - data-driven methods to estimate tt+jets, W+jets and multijet backgrounds
 - reliable results are obtained
 - analysis was still under study
 - data in signal regions is concealed
 - comparison of the background prediction and data is omitted
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- A Feynman diagram illustrating a particle interaction. Two incoming lines, labeled P_2 , meet at a vertex represented by a shaded circle. From this vertex, two outgoing lines emerge: one is a gluon, represented by a curly line and labeled $\tilde{g}$, and the other is a chargino, represented by a solid line.



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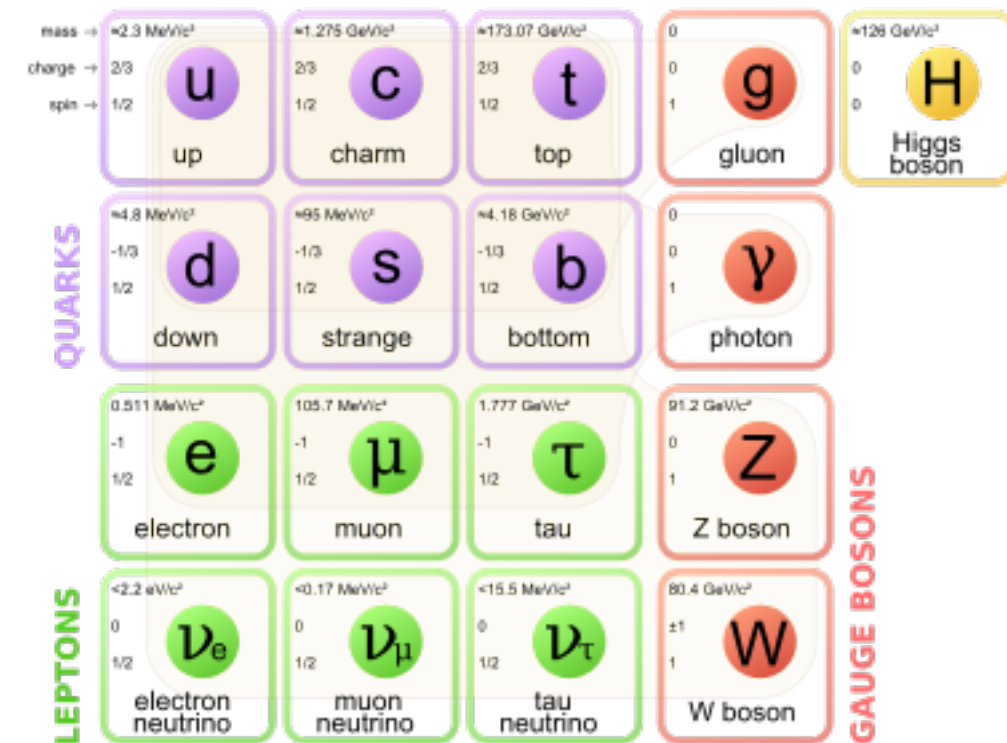
Backup

Motivation

Standard Model of particle physics (SM)

- **matter** is made of elementary particles, known as the **fermions**
- fermions have **spin $1/2$** , separated into **leptons** and **quarks**
- three fundamental forces: electro-weak and strong nuclear force
- **interactions** are mediated by the **exchange of bosons**
- the **Higgs mechanism** describes how **particles acquire mass**
- the **discovery** of the **Higgs boson** in **2012** completed the SM
- theoretical **predictions** are **verified** by various **experiments**

particle content of the SM

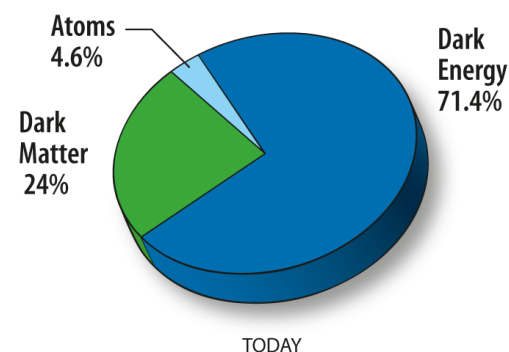


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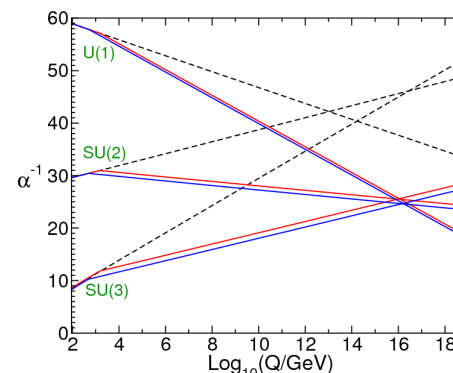
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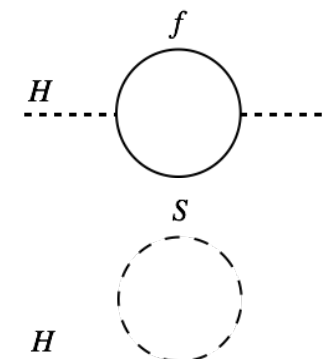
Dark matter



Grand unification



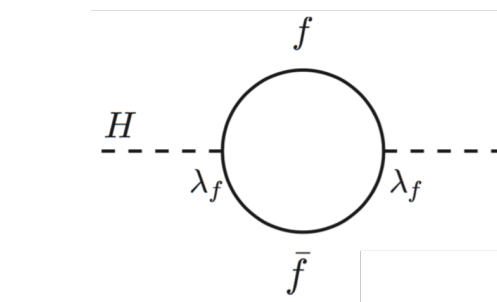
Hierarchy problem



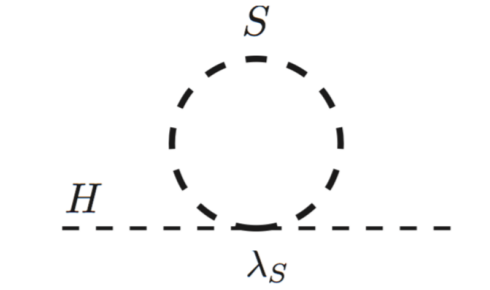
Hierarchy problem

Hierarchy problem

- Particles that couple to the Higgs field induce large quantum corrections to the Higgs boson mass
- Quantum corrections are some orders larger than the mass of the Higgs boson itself



$$\Delta m_H^2 = -\frac{\lambda_f^2}{8\pi^2} \Lambda_{UV}^2 + \dots$$



$$\Delta m_H^2 = \frac{\lambda_s}{16\pi^2} \Lambda_{UV}^2 - \dots$$

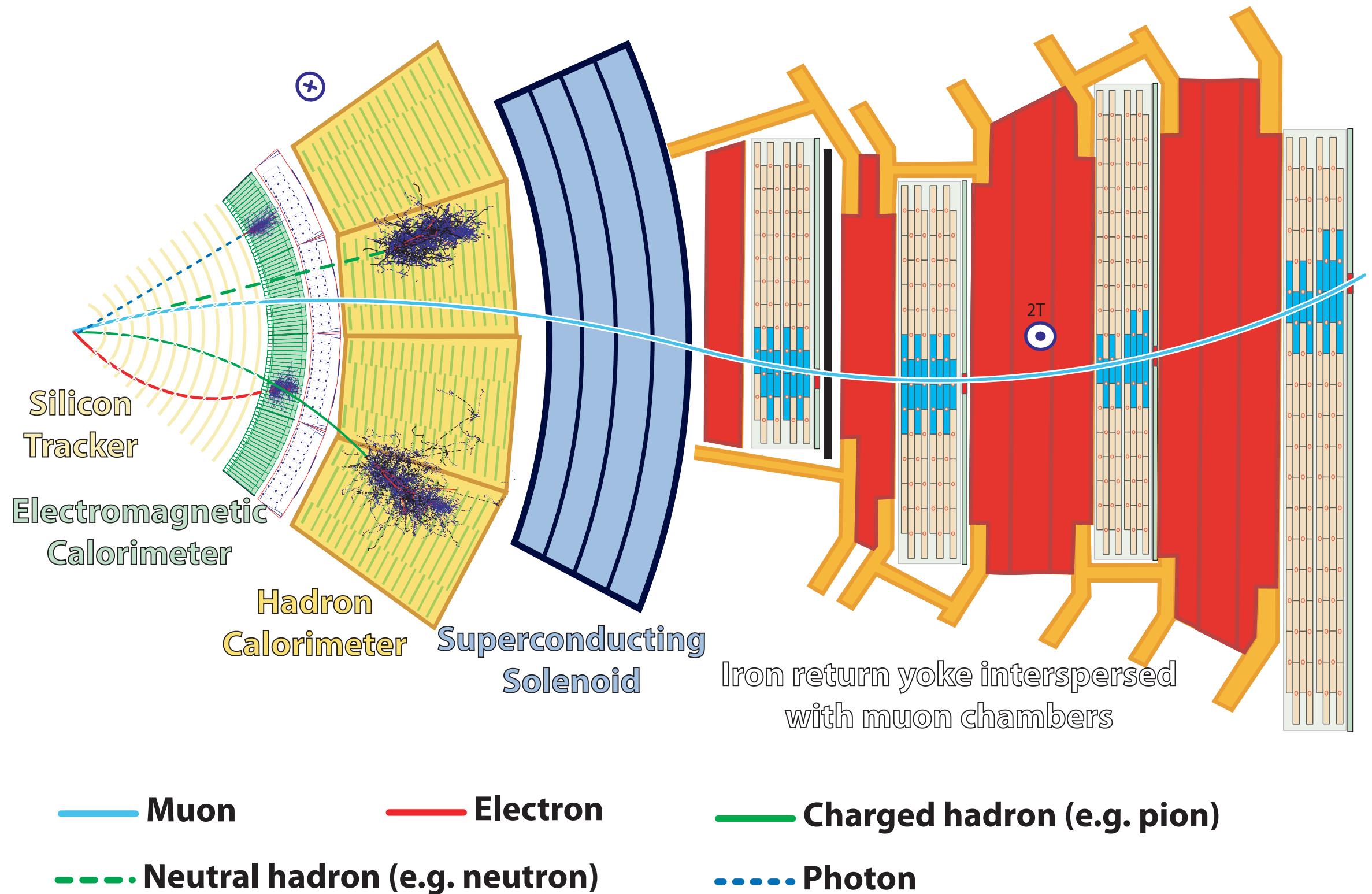
Supersymmetry can **solve** the **hierarchy problem** in an elegant way

$$Q |\text{Boson}\rangle = |\text{Fermion}\rangle \quad Q |\text{Fermion}\rangle = |\text{Boson}\rangle$$

Fermionic operator Q must satisfy **anti-commutation** relations

SUSY algebra **extend** usual **space-time** to **super-space**

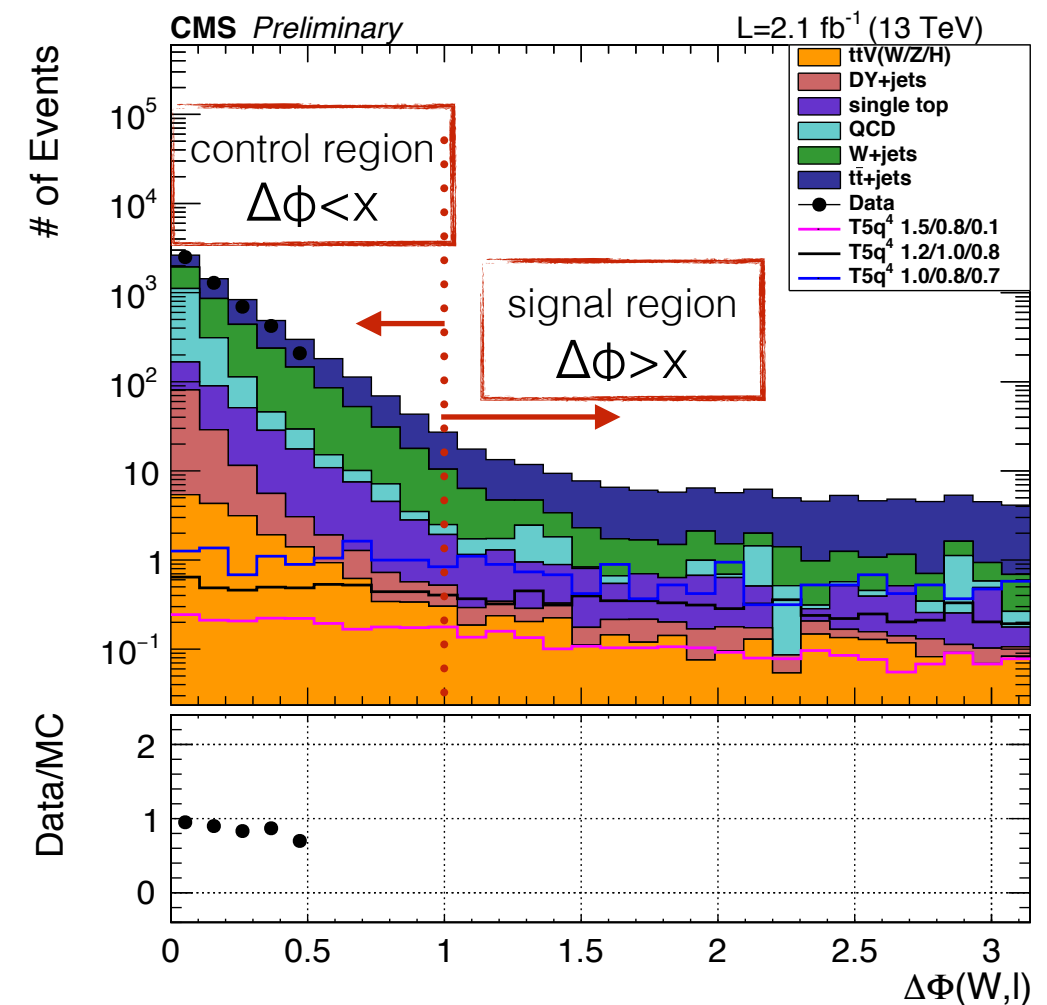
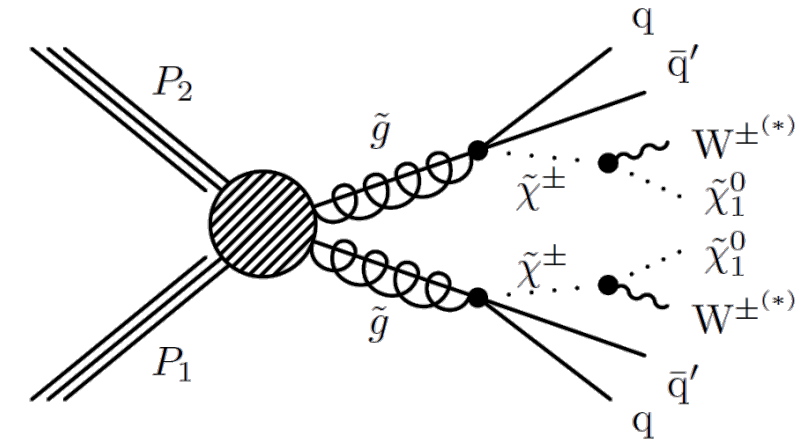
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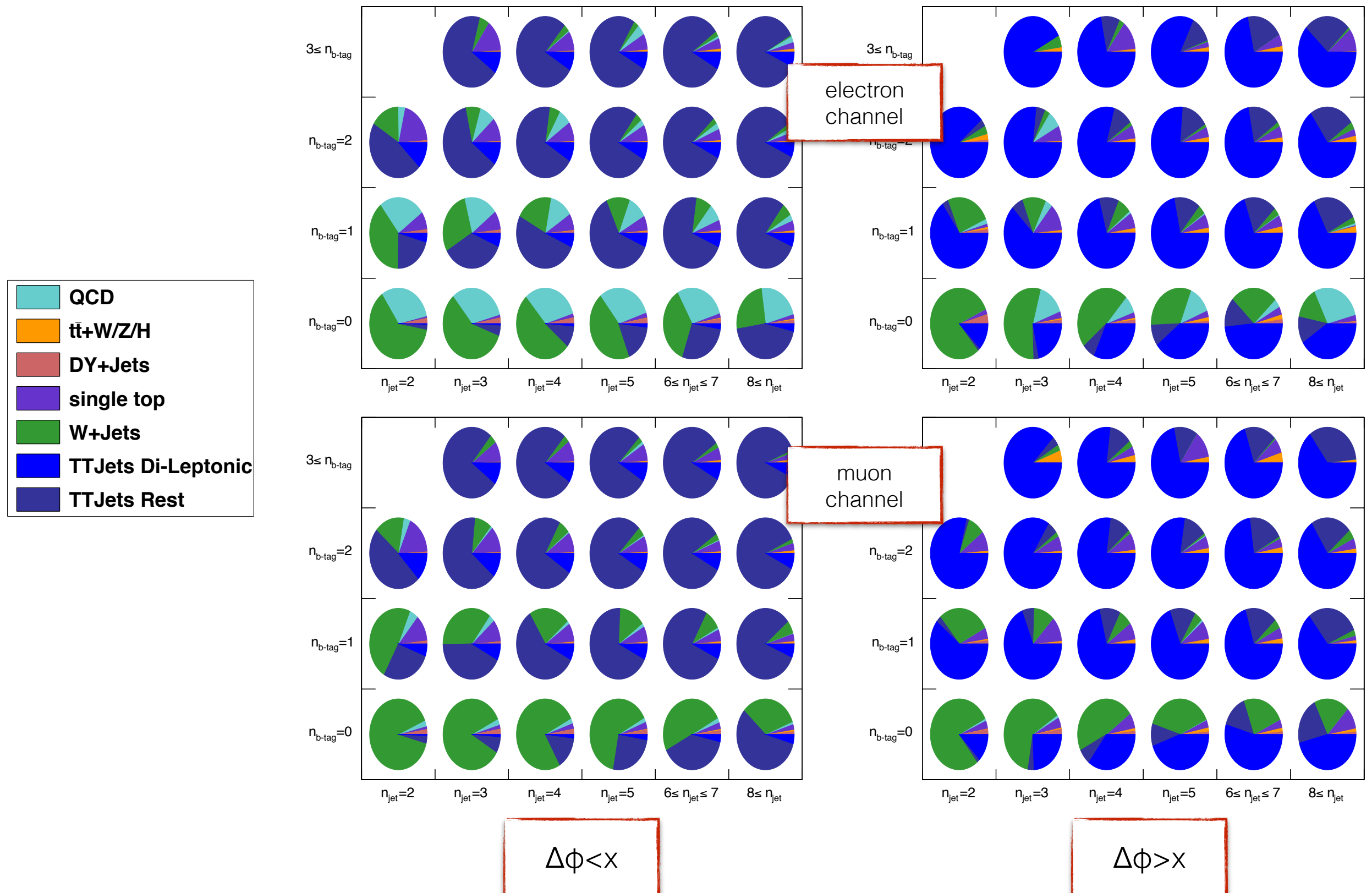
Event selection

- exactly one electron or muon, $p_T > 25$ GeV
- veto events with additional soft leptons ($p_T > 10$ GeV)
- at least five jets ($p_T > 30$ GeV)
- two jets should have at least $p_T > 80$ GeV
- no jet tagged as a bottom quark

n_{jet}	L_T [GeV]	H_T [GeV]	$\Delta\Phi(W, \ell)$
5	[250, 350]	≥ 500	1.0
	[350, 450]	≥ 500	1.0
	≥ 450	≥ 500	1.0
[6, 7]	[250, 350]	[500, 750]	1.0
		≥ 750	1.0
	[350, 450]	[500, 750]	1.0
		≥ 750	1.0
	≥ 450	[500, 1000]	0.75
≥ 8	[250, 350]	[500, 750]	1.0
	[350, 450]	≥ 500	0.75
	≥ 450	≥ 500	0.75



Background composition



Prediction of the tt+jets background (contd.)

- R_{CS} obtained in **1b-jet, 4-5 jet region**
- small **differences** between **0b-jet and 1b-jet** regions and possible **contamination** from other **EWK** sources are corrected by:

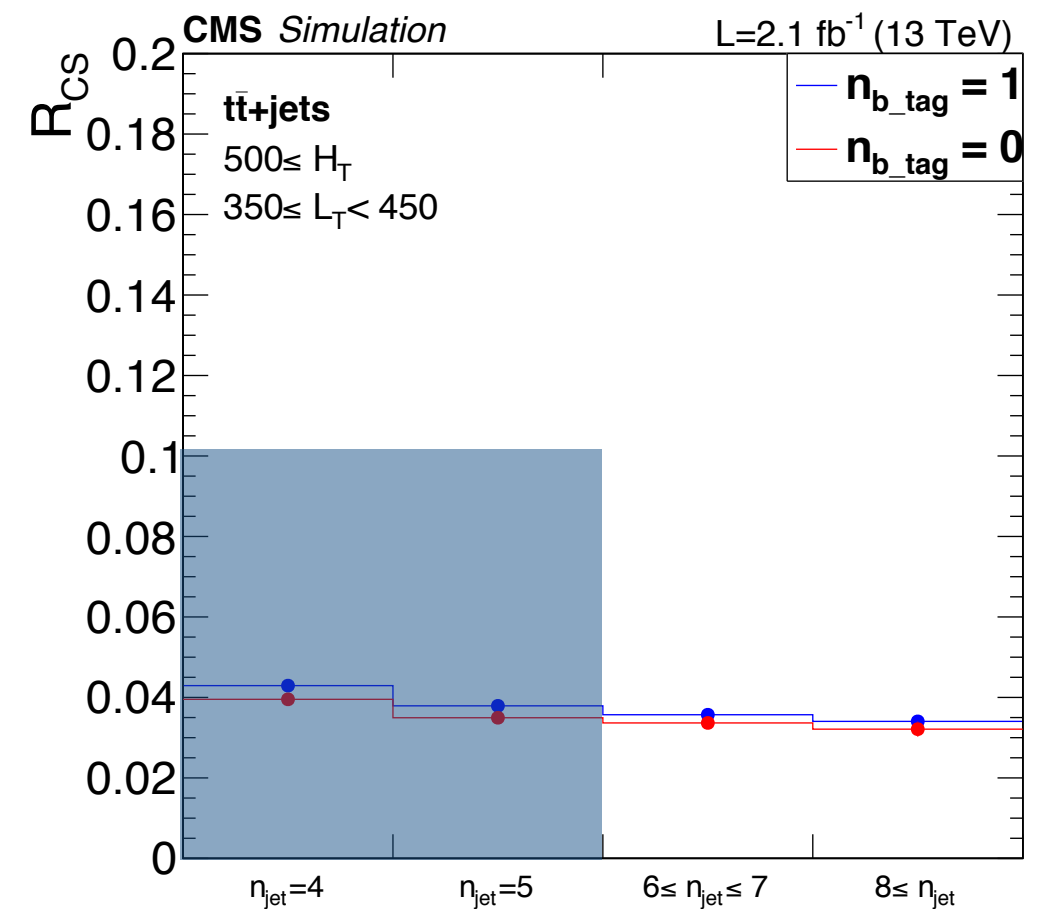
$$\kappa_b^{MC} = \frac{R_{CS}^{MC}(n_{jet} \in [4, 5], 0b, t\bar{t} + jets)}{R_{CS}^{MC}(n_{jet} \in [4, 5], 1b, EWK)}$$

- expected number of tt+jets events in the signal region

$$N_{t\bar{t}+jets}^{pred.}(n_{jet}^{SR}, 0b, \Delta\Phi > x) = \kappa_b^{MC} \cdot R_{CS}^{data}(n_{jet} \in [4, 5], 1b) \cdot y_{t\bar{t}+jets}^{fit}(n_{jet}^{SR}, 0b, \Delta\Phi < x)$$

- the fraction of tt+jets in the low $\Delta\phi$ control region, y^{fit} is derived by a data/MC fit
- subtraction of QCD multijet background is considered in the fit method
- dependency of R_{CS} as a function of jet multiplicity is covered by a systematic uncertainty

	$n_{b-jet} = 0$	$n_{b-jet} = 1$
$n_{jet} = 3$	Bkg. estimation of W+jets and QCD multijets	
$n_{jet} = 4$		Bkg. estimation of $t\bar{t} + jets$
$n_{jet} = 5$		
$6 \geq n_{jet} \geq 7$	Search regions	
$n_{jet} \geq 8$		



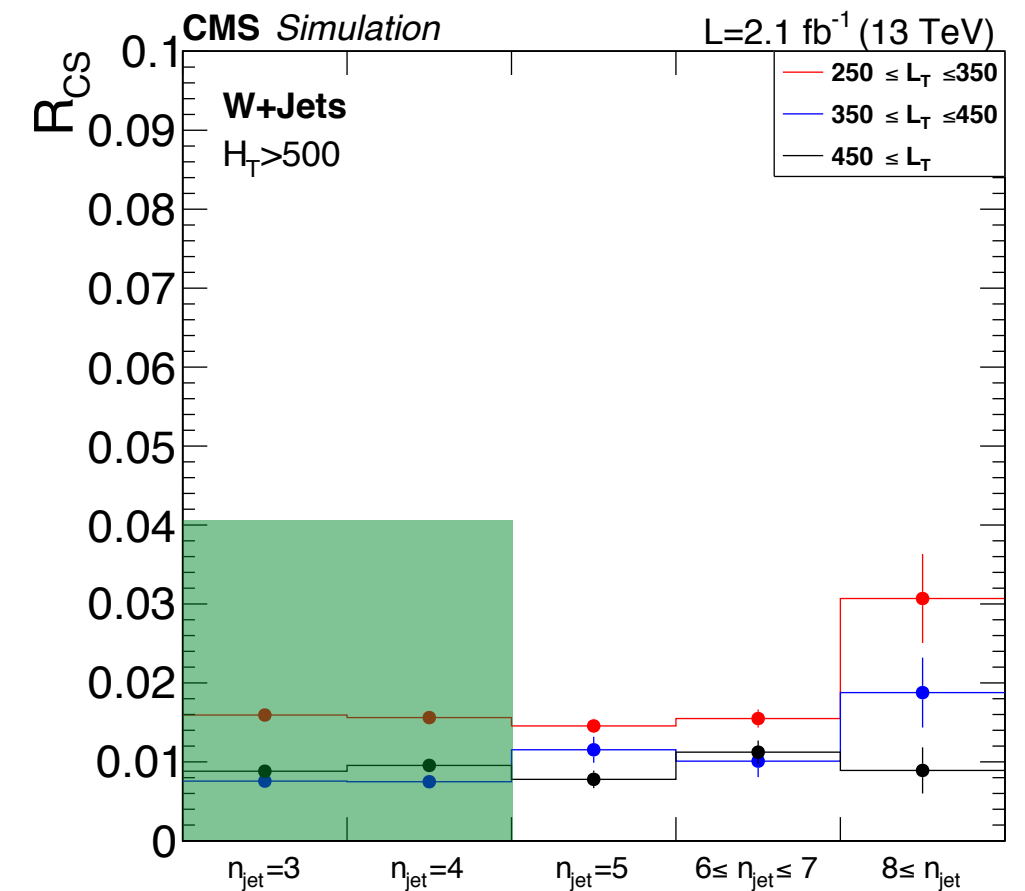
Prediction of the W+jets background (contd.)

- R_{CS} obtained in **0b-jet, 3-4 jet region**
- R_{CS} is measured in the **μ -channel** to avoid significant **QCD contribution**
- ratio $R_{CS}(\mu)/R_{CS}(e+\mu)$ is assigned as an uncertainty
- expected number of W+jets events in the signal region

$$N_{W+jets}^{\text{pred.}}(n_{\text{jet}}^{\text{SR}}, 0b, \Delta\Phi > x) = R_{CS}^{\text{corr.}}(n_{\text{jet}} \in [3, 4], 0b, \mu) \cdot y_{W+jets}^{\text{fit}}(n_{\text{jet}}^{\text{SR}}, 0b, \Delta\Phi < x)$$

- possible contribution from $t\bar{t}$ +jets is considered in $R_{CS}^{\text{corr.}}$
- dependency of R_{CS} as a function of jet multiplicity is covered by a systematic uncertainty

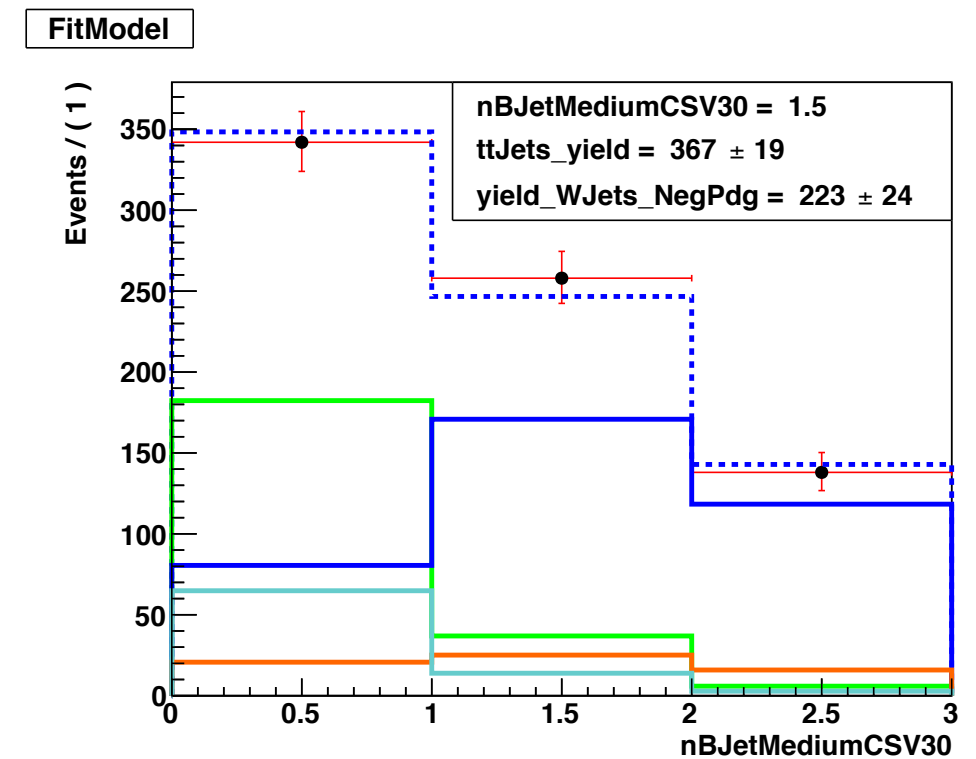
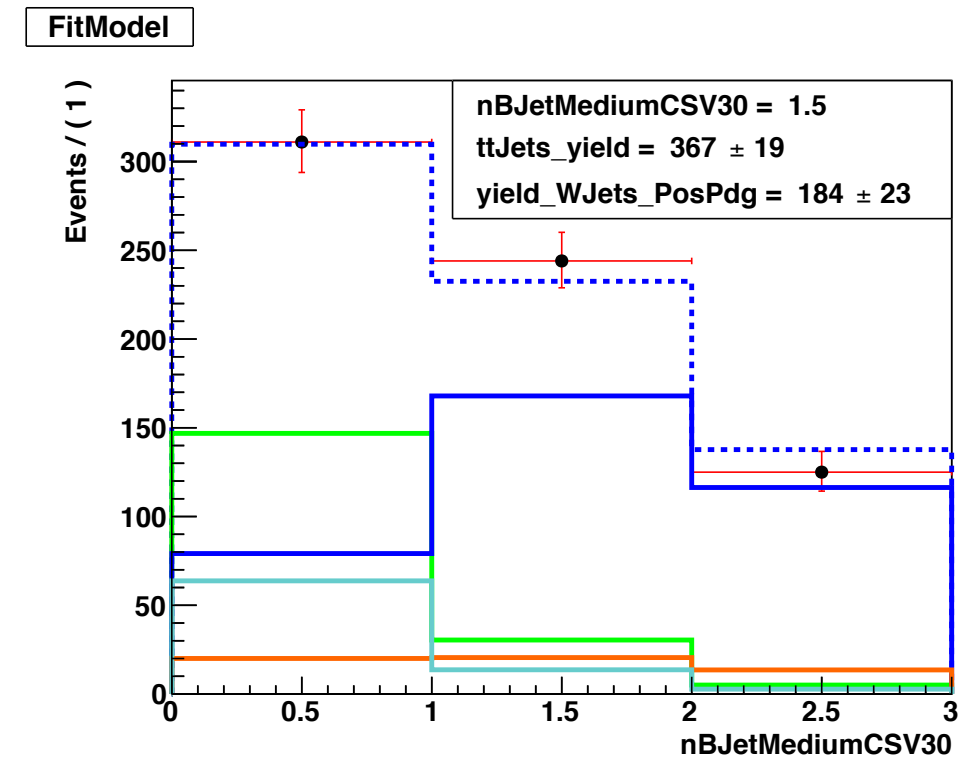
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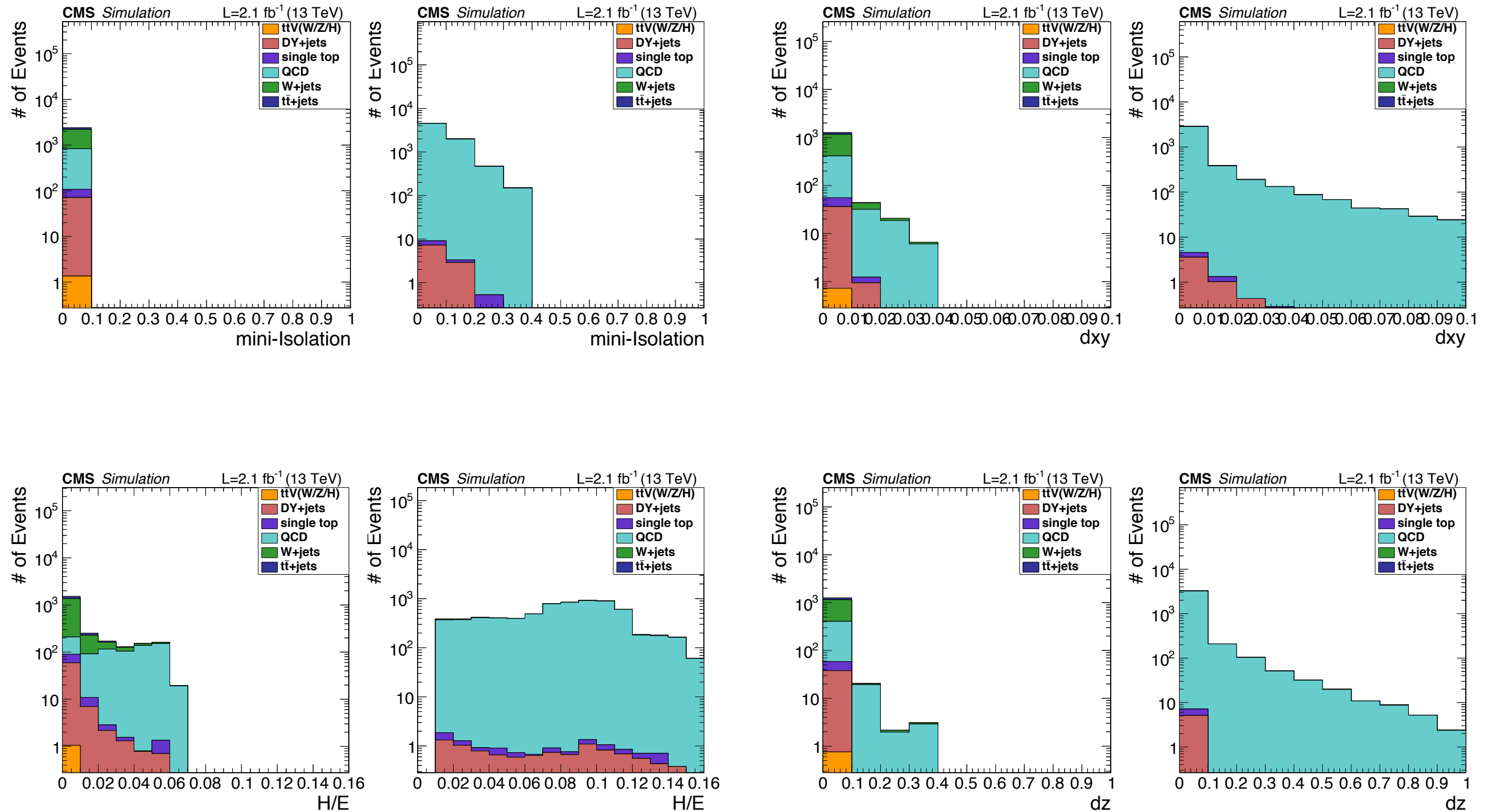
b-tag multiplicity fit

determine fractions $tt+jets/W+jets$ in low $\Delta\Phi$ control region

- binned likelihood fit in low $\Delta\Phi$ control region
- make $W^\pm+jets$ / $tt+jets$ templates in b-jet multiplicity
- create constant QCD template from L_P -method
- set remaining EWK background as constant
- fit $W^\pm+jets$ / $tt+jets$ templates to data



Electron identification inversion for the QCD background estimation



QCD multijet background estimation

electron channel

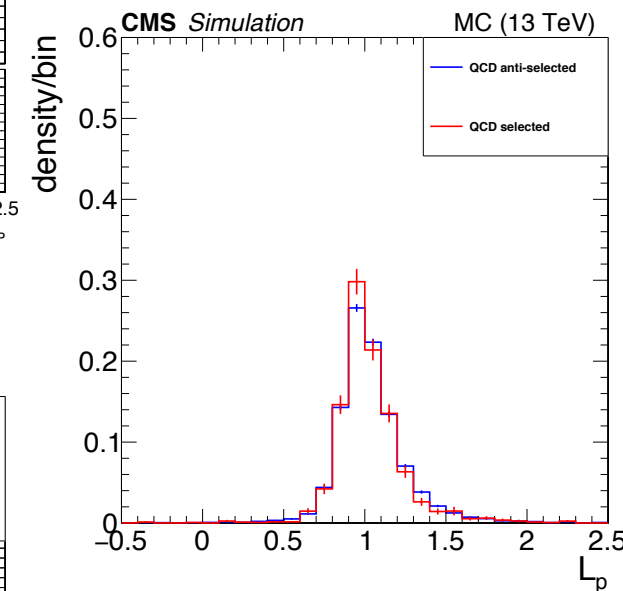
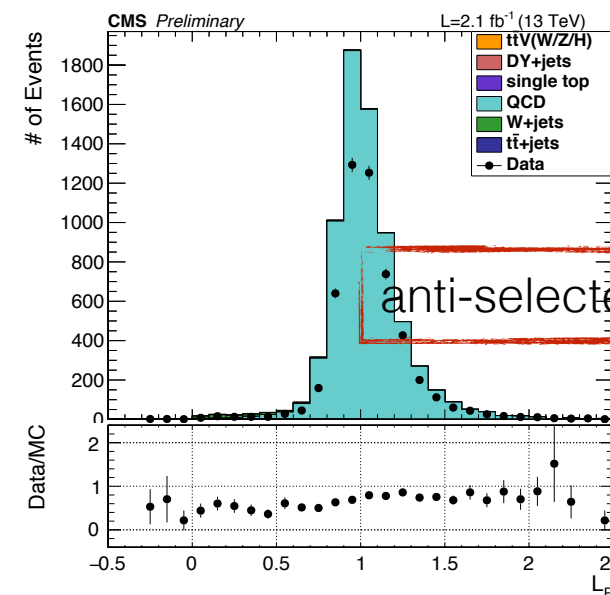
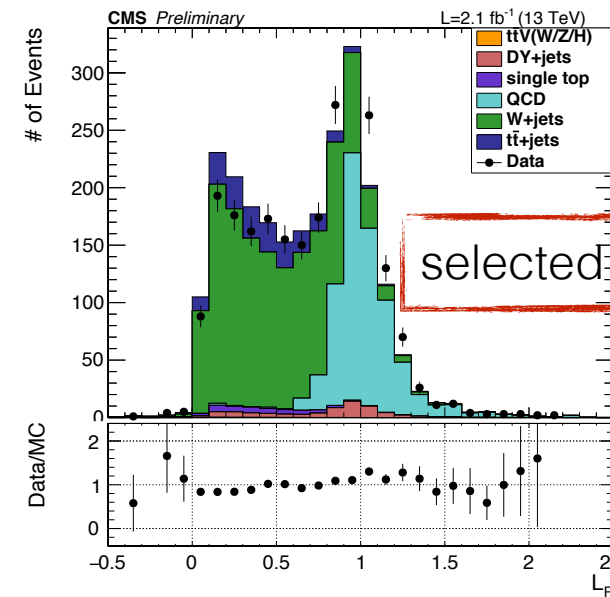
- **majority** of electrons are **misidentified jets** and **converted photons**

- method is based on the L_P variable:

$$L_P = \frac{p_T(\ell)}{p_T(W)} \cdot \cos(\Delta\Phi(W, \ell))$$

- reflects the **W boson polarization**
- well understood for events with a genuine W decay
- different L_P distribution for lepton candidates from QCD sample

- **invert** electron identification requirements
 - dominated by fake electrons
 - **QCD enriched** and **EWK suppressed** sample
- 2 orthogonal lepton criteria: '**selected**' — '**anti-selected**'
- **no impact** on the L_P distribution



QCD multijet background estimation (contd.)

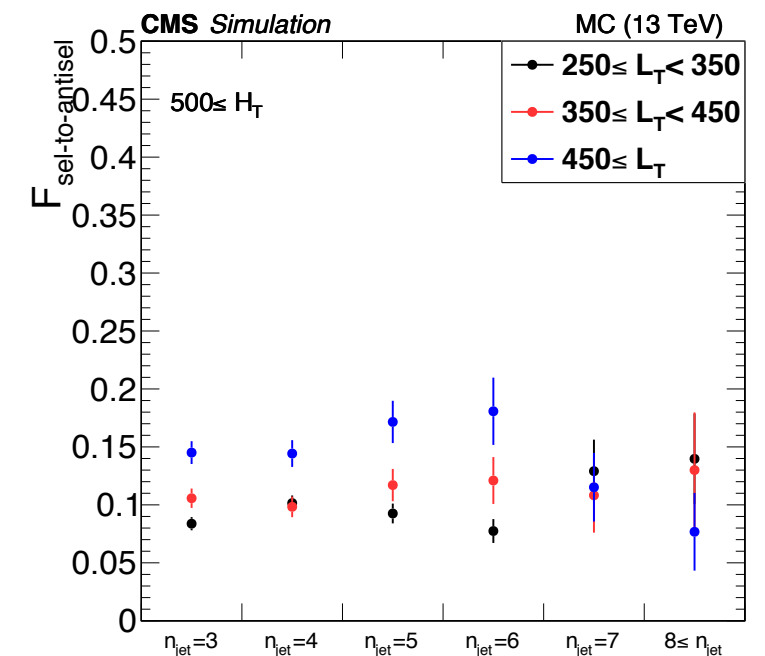
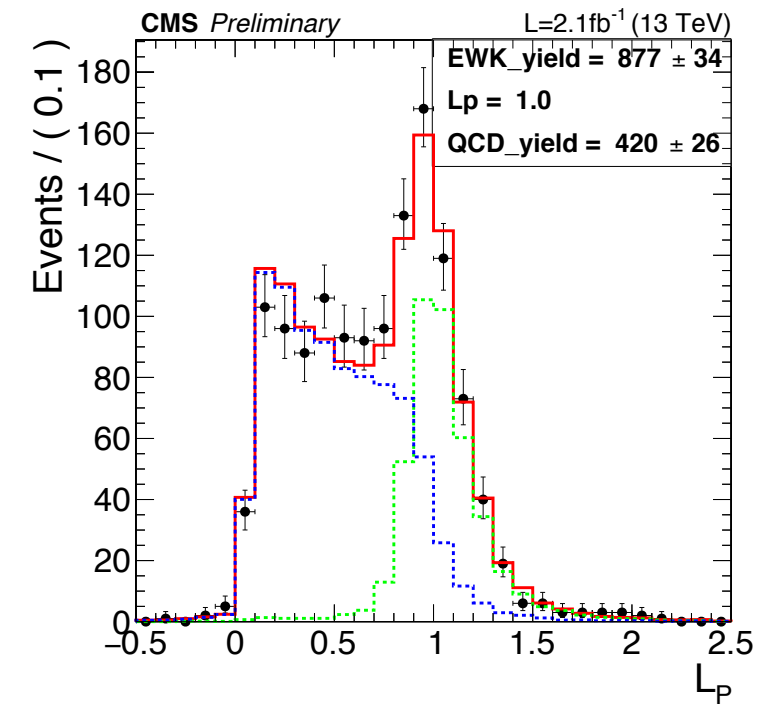
electron channel

- perform a **binned likelihood fit** in the **0b-jet, 3-4 n_{jet} region**
 - '**selected**'-EWK template from simulation
 - '**anti-selected**' data template
- fit result**: expected number of multijet events in the low n_{jet} region
- derive a ratio of 'selected' to 'anti-selected' events

$$F_{\text{sel-to-anti}}(L_T, n_{\text{jet}} \in [3, 4] n_{\text{b-jet}} = 0) = \frac{N_{\text{QCD selected}}^{\text{fit}}(L_T, n_{\text{jet}} \in [3, 4] n_{\text{b-jet}} = 0)}{N_{\text{QCD anti-selected}}^{\text{data}}(L_T, n_{\text{jet}} \in [3, 4] n_{\text{b-jet}} = 0)}$$

- $F_{\text{sel-to-antisel}}$ is almost **independent** of n_{jet} multiplicity and H_T
- expected number of QCD events can be predicted:

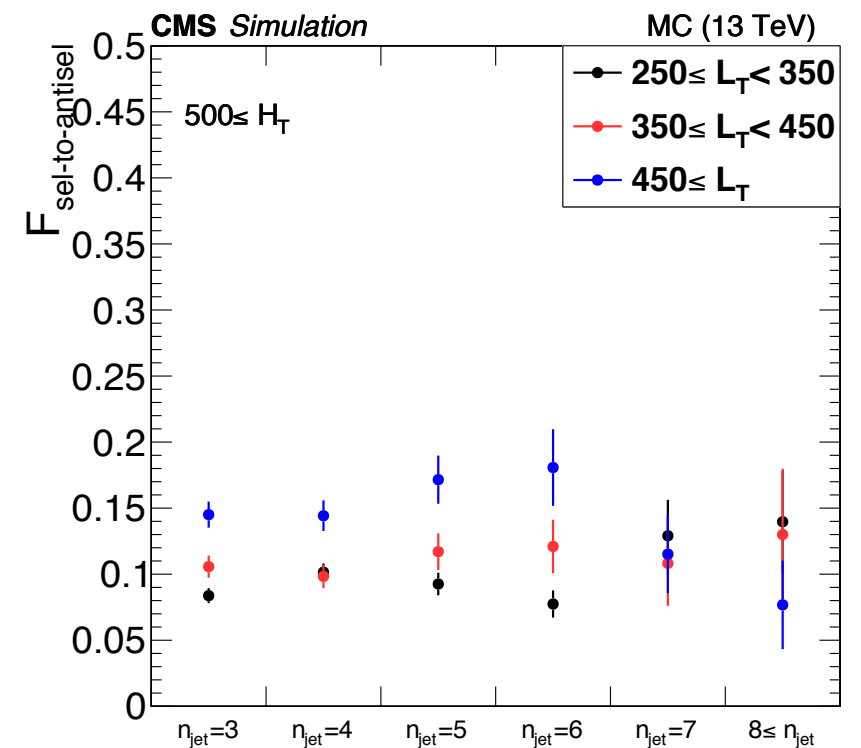
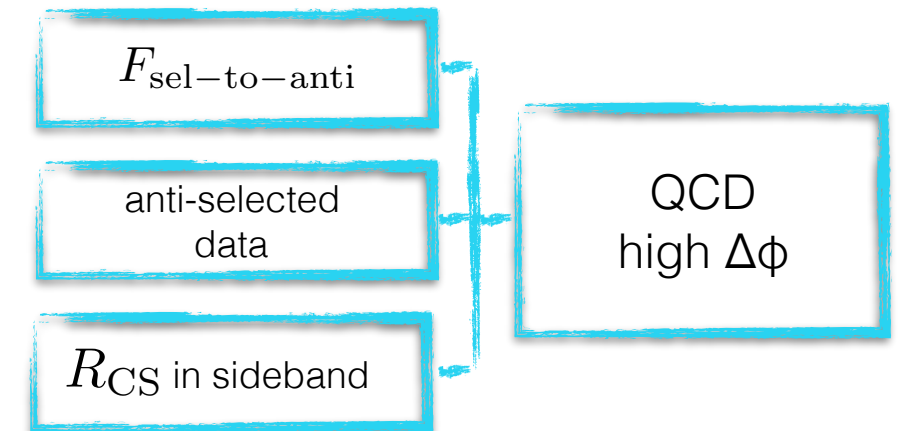
$$N_{\text{QCD selected}}^{\text{pred.}}(L_T, H_T, n_{\text{jet}}) = F_{\text{sel-to-anti}} \cdot N_{\text{anti-selected}}^{\text{data}}(L_T, H_T, n_{\text{jet}})$$



QCD multijet background estimation

electron channel

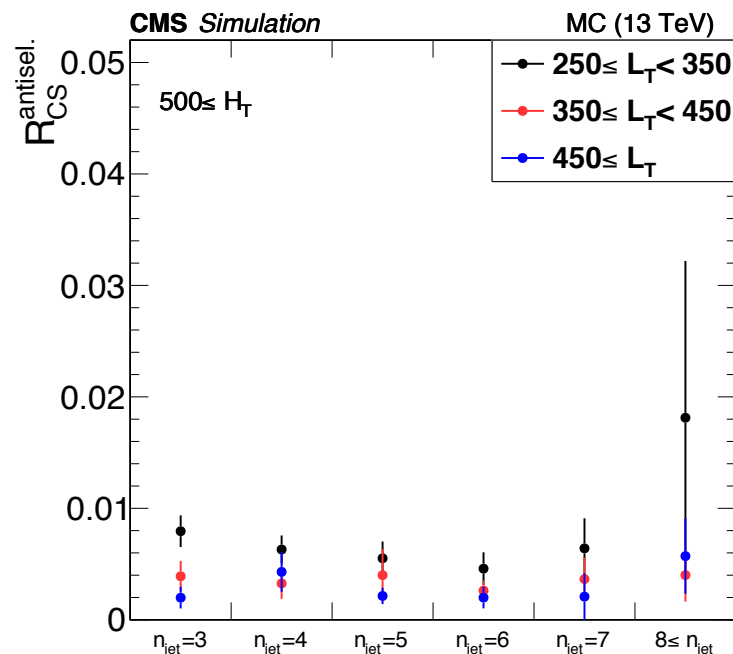
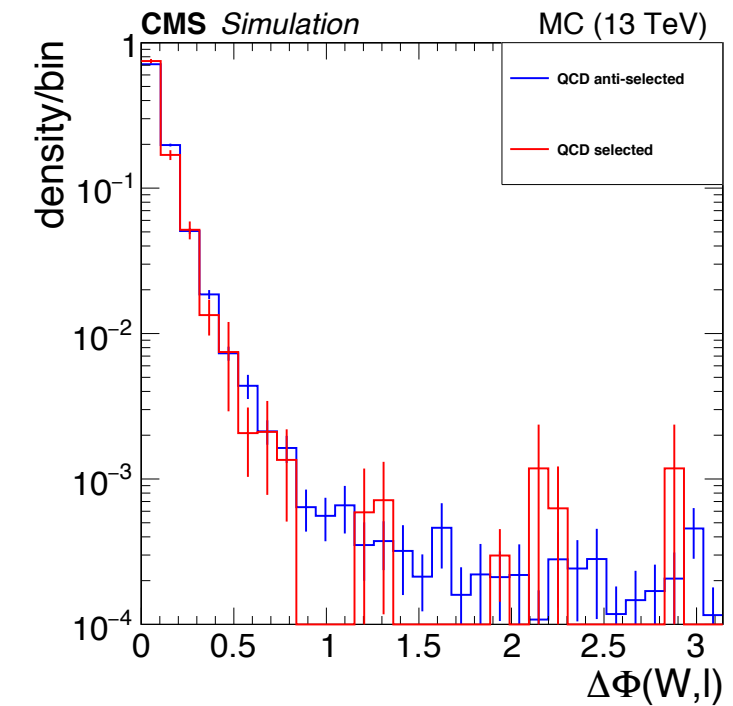
- perform a **data/MC fit** in the **0b-jet, 3-4 jet region**
 - '**selected**'-EWK template from simulation
 - '**anti-selected**' data template
- fit result**: expected number of multijet events in the sideband
- derive a **ratio** of '**selected**' to '**anti-selected**' events in sideband
- $F_{\text{sel-to-antisel}}$ is almost **independent** of n_{jet} multiplicity and H_T
- estimate the number of QCD events by scaling 'anti-selected' data with $F_{\text{sel-to-antisel}}$



QCD multijet background estimation

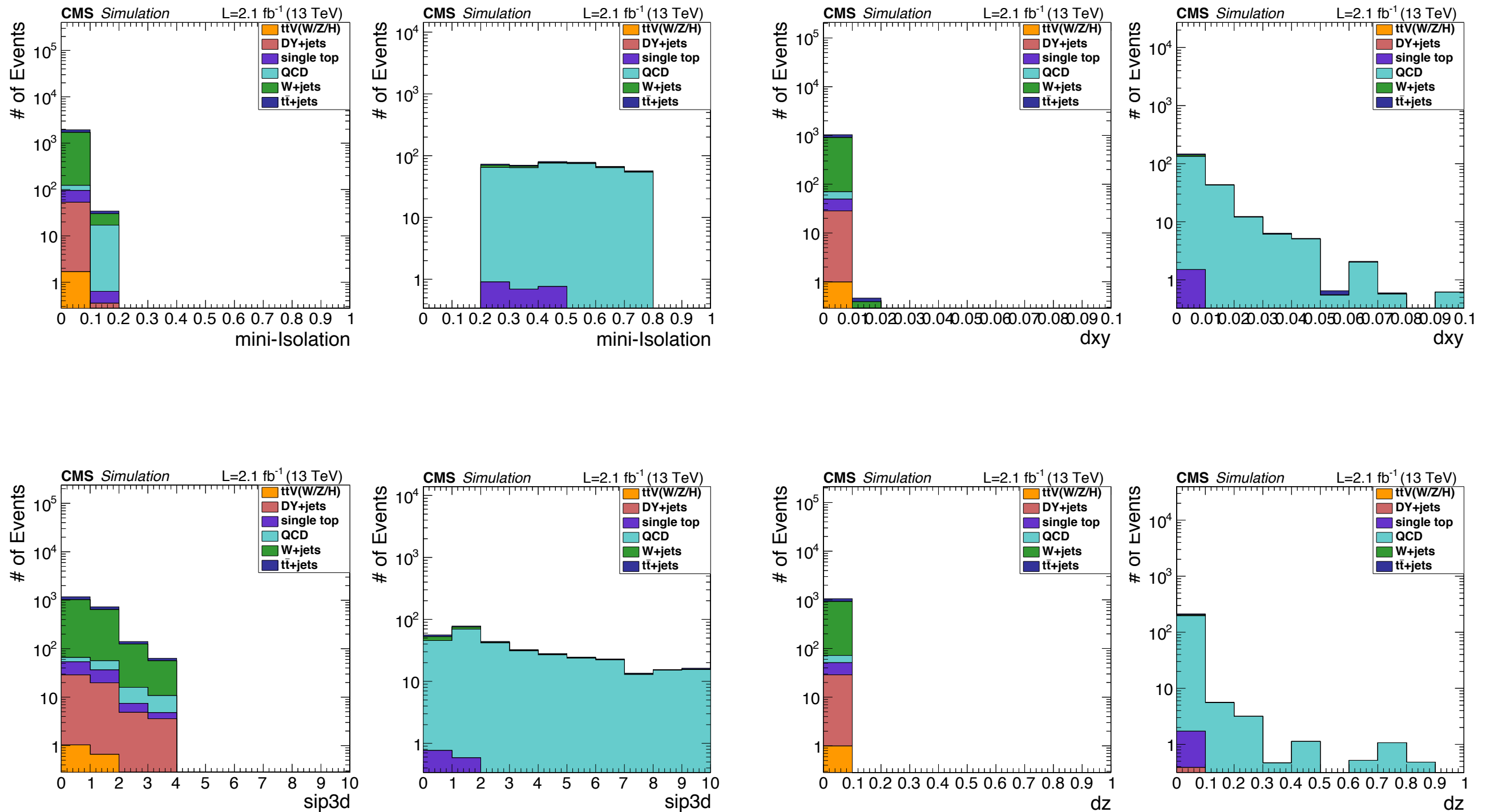
electron channel

- **estimation** of multijet background over the **full $\Delta\phi$ range**
- subtraction of QCD background in ' **R_{CS} -method**' requires **separation** into **low $\Delta\phi$** and **high $\Delta\phi$** fractions
- **$\Delta\phi$ distributions** of 'selected' and 'anti-selected' samples **agree**
- **better statistics** in the '**anti-selected**' sample



- R_{CS} transfer factors measured in '**anti-selected**' data
- **R_{CS}** transfer factors are **stable** and always **below 1%**
- **contribution** of multijet events in **signal regions** is **negligible**
- QCD background needs to be **subtracted** in the **control regions**

Muon identification inversion for the QCD background estimation



QCD multijet background estimation

muon channel

- very **small contribution** of multijet background in the **μ -channel**
- derive an **upper limit**
- method is similar to the electron channel, but relies more on properties from simulations
- **2 orthogonal lepton criteria** are defined to derive **$F_{\text{sel-to-antisel}}$**
- very **small R_{CS}** transfer factors in 'anti-selected' sample
- **low contamination** of QCD background in full $\Delta\phi$ range

→ contribution of multijet events in **control** and **signal regions** is **negligible**

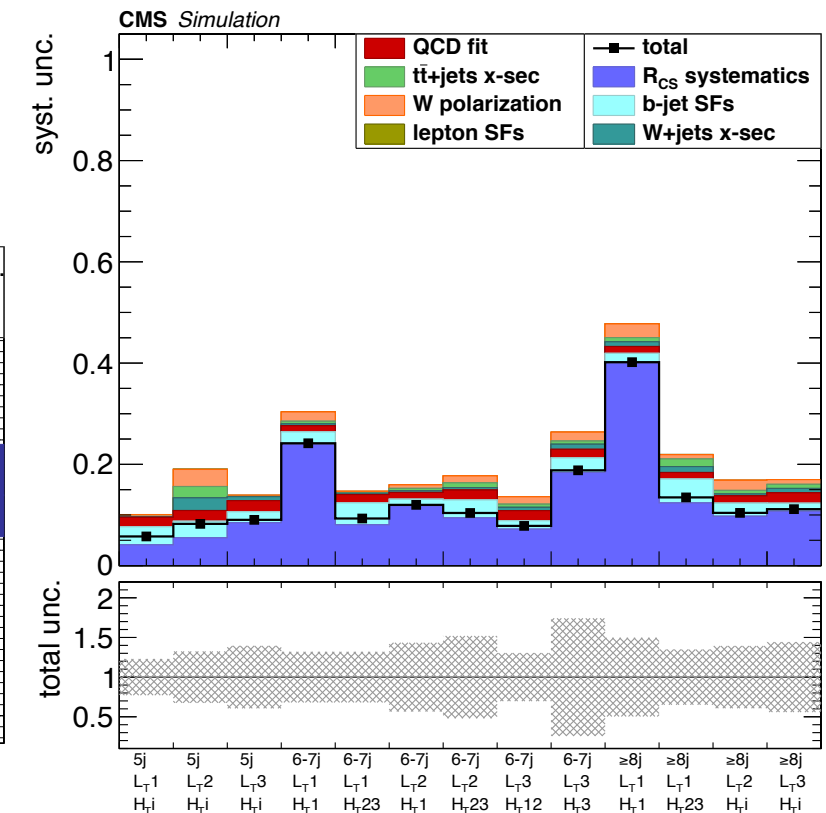
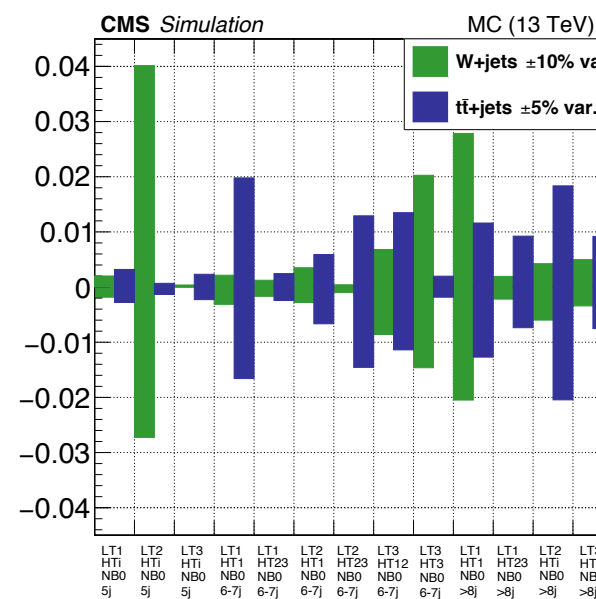
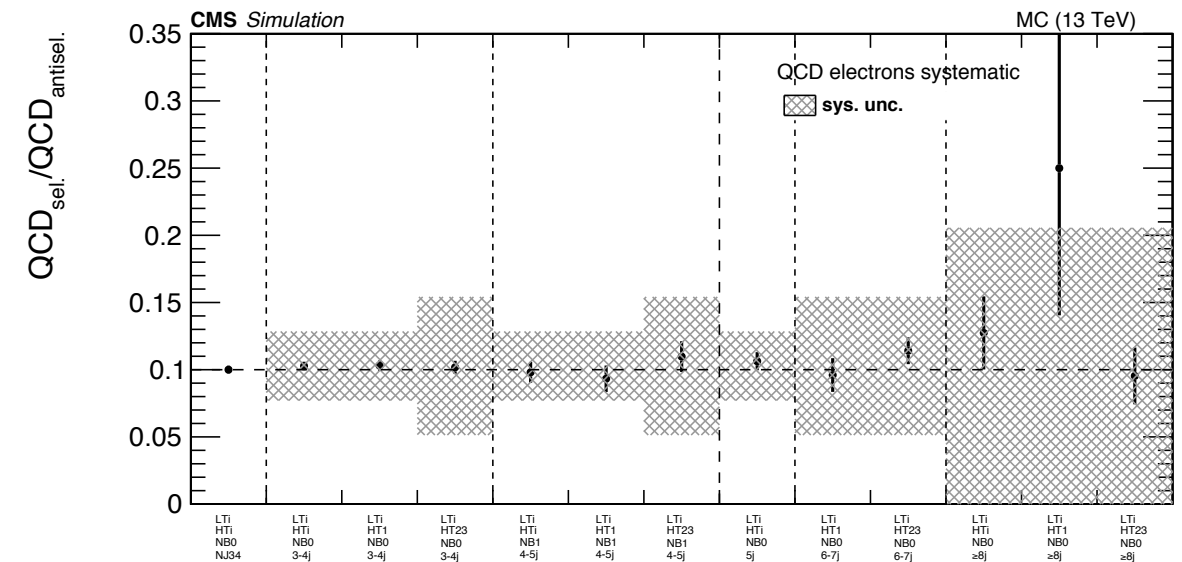
Systematic uncertainties

Systematic effects in the **multijet background**:

- $F_{\text{sel-to-antisel}}$ is independent of H_T and L_T
- conservative uncertainty of 25%-100% is assigned

Systematic uncertainties of the background estimation:

- b-jet scale factor uncertainty
- Jet energy and E_T^{miss} uncertainty
- Lepton identification and reconstruction efficiency
- Fraction of dilepton events
- Pileup
- Uncertainty on the QCD multijet prediction
- W+jet cross-section uncertainty
- **W polarization**
 - W+jets varied $\pm 10\%$, tt+jets varied $\pm 5\%$
 - $w = (1 \pm (0.1 \text{ or } 0.05) \cdot (1 - \cos(\theta^*))^2) \cdot x^{\pm 1}$
- tt+jets cross-section uncertainty
- Top-quark p_T reweighting



Simulated samples

Sample name	cross section [pb]
TTJets_LO_25ns	831.76
TTJets_SingleLeptonFromT	269.49
TTJets_SingleLeptonFromTbar	269.49
TTJets_DiLepton	87.315
TTJets_HT600to800	2.665
TTJets_HT800to1200	1.097
TTJets_HT1200to2500	0.199
TTJets_HT2500toInf	0.002
TToLeptons_tch	70.314
TToLeptons_sch	3.681
TBar_tWch	35.6
T_tWch	35.6
DYJetsToLL_M50_HT100to200	177.038
DYJetsToLL_M50_HT200to400	54.293
DYJetsToLL_M50_HT400to600	6.981
DYJetsToLL_M50_HT600toInf	2.807
TTZToLLNuNu_25ns	0.2529
TTZToQQ_25ns	0.5297
TTWJetsToLNu_25ns	0.2043
TTWJetsToQQ_25ns	0.4062
WJetsToLNu_HT100to200	1656.81
WJetsToLNu_HT200to400	442.8
WJetsToLNu_HT400to600	60.147
WJetsToLNu_HT600toInf	23.087
WJetsToLNu_HT600to800	15.744
WJetsToLNu_HT800to1200	6.47
WJetsToLNu_HT1200to2500	1.636
WJetsToLNu_HT2500toInf	0.038
QCD_HT100to200	27540000
QCD_HT200to300	1735000
QCD_HT300to500	366800
QCD_HT500to700	29370
QCD_HT700to1000	6524
QCD_HT1000to1500	1064
QCD_HT1500to2000	121.5
QCD_HT2000toInf	25.42

simulated SM background samples

Sample name	cross section [pb]
T5q ⁴ 1/0.8/0.7	0.325
T5q ⁴ 1.2/1/0.8	0.086
T5q ⁴ 1.5/0.8/0.1	0.014

simulated SUSY signal samples