



Measurements of $t\bar{t}$ production and fermion associated $t\bar{t}$ production in CMS

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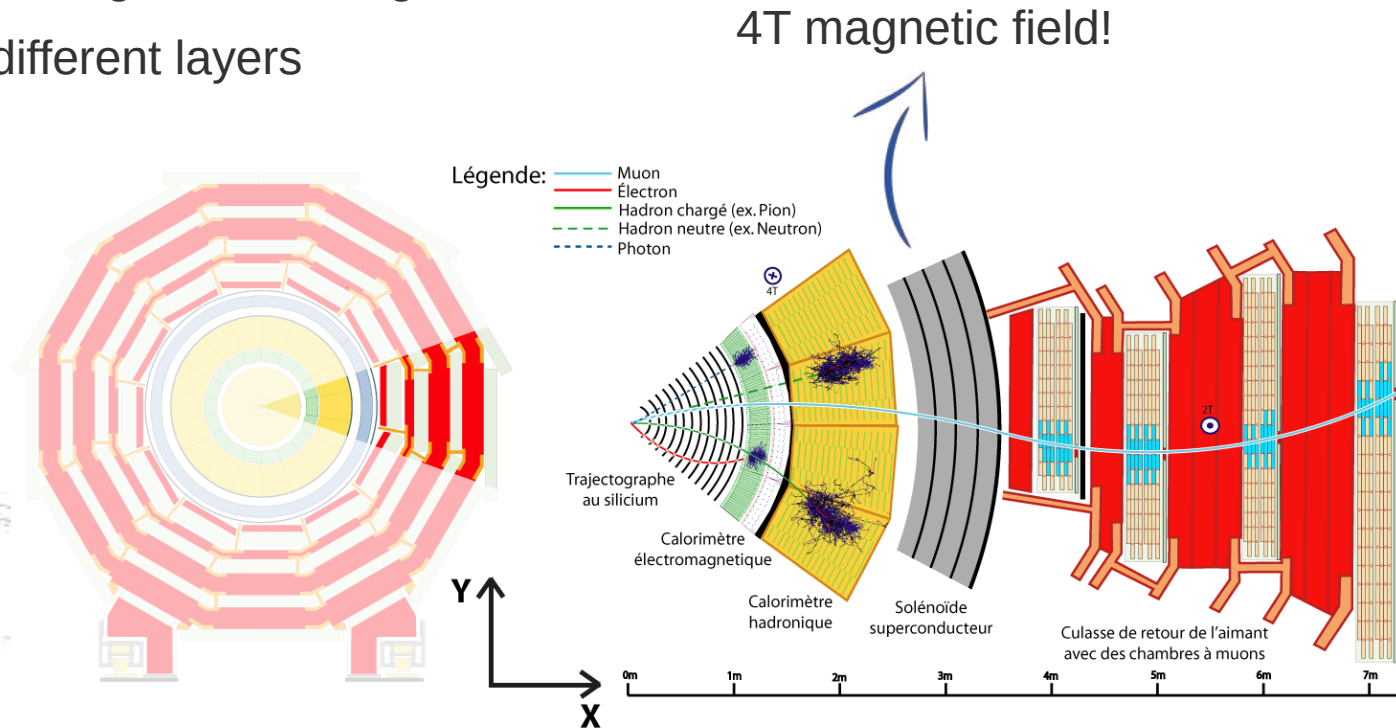
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The CMS detector



- General-purpose detector along the LHC ring
- Cylindrical structure with different layers
 - Tracker
 - ECAL
 - HCAL
 - Solenoid magnet
 - Muon chambers
- Two-level trigger
 - ~40 MHz → ~1 kHz



The top quark

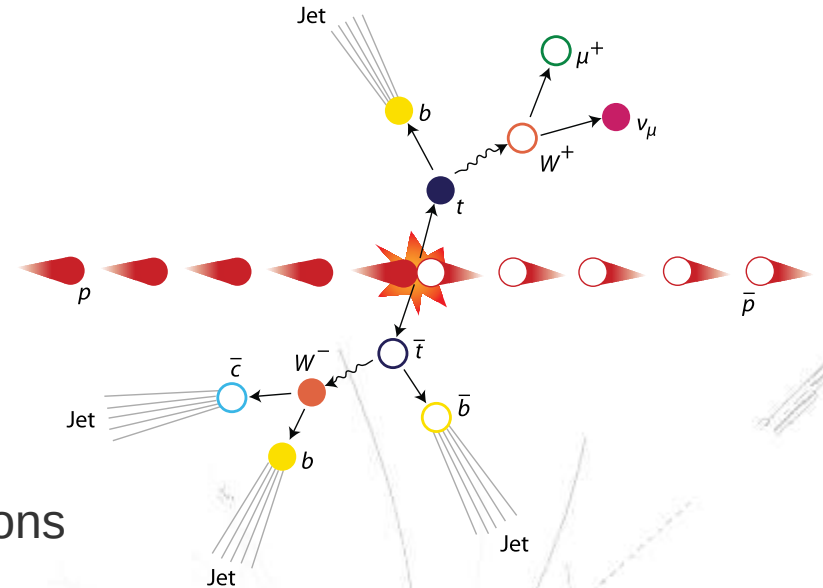


- **Heaviest** known elementary particle
 - Large Yukawa coupling to the Higgs boson
 - Decays before hadronization

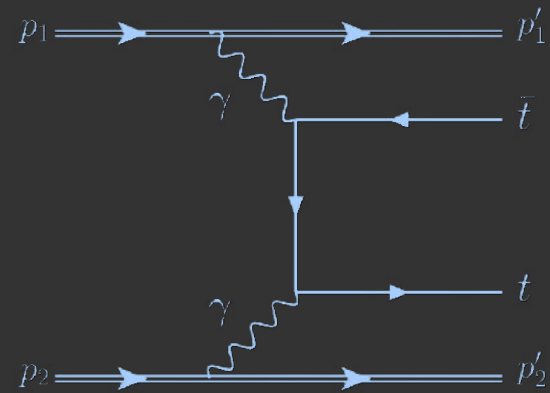
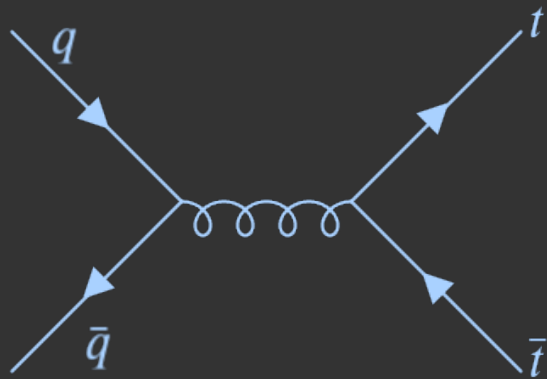


allows to study bare quark properties

- Special role in QCD
 - provides access to α_s and PDF
- Sensitive to **BSM scenarios**, allows **EFT** interpretations



Pair production

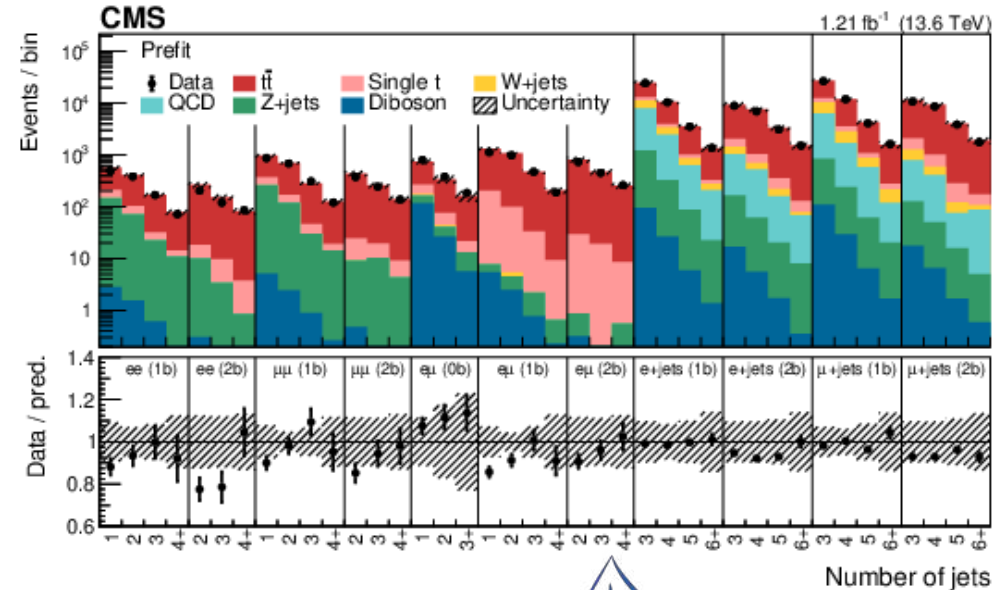


Inclusive $t\bar{t}$ cross section

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- Run-3 started in July 2022
 - **13.6 TeV**
 - aim to 300 fb^{-1} of integrated luminosity
- First measurement at new energy
 - $t\bar{t}$ cross section expected to rise by **10%**
- **1.21 fb^{-1}** of luminosity
- **2ℓ** and **ℓ +jets** combined for the first time
- b-jet efficiencies measured simultaneously in the fit



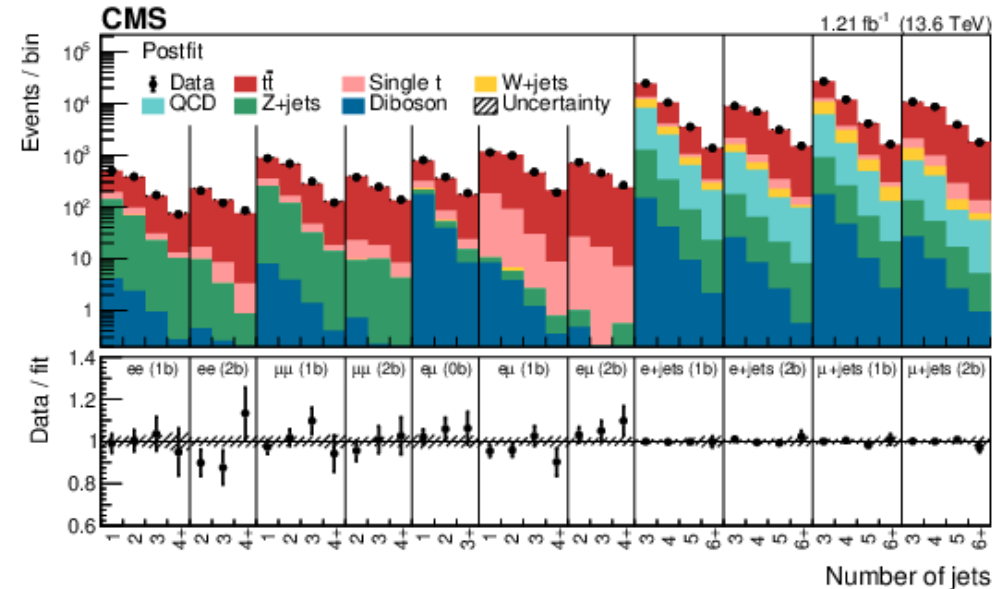
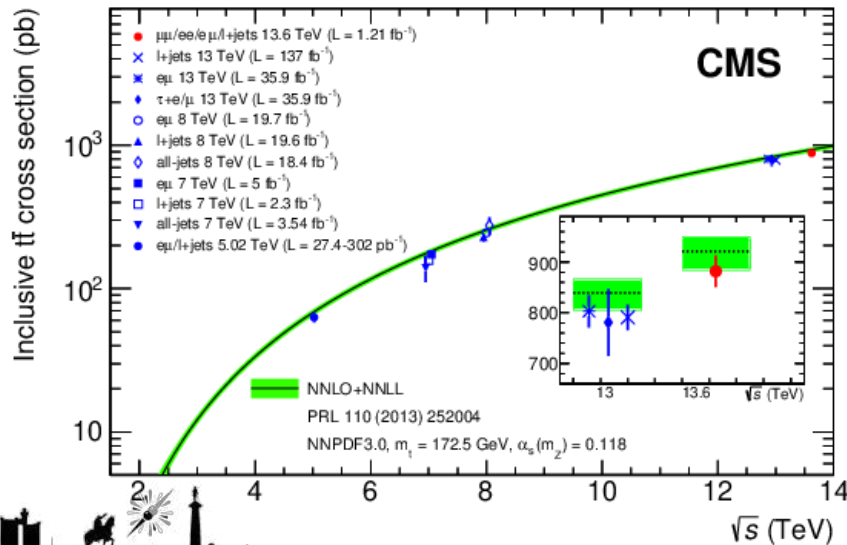
profile likelihood fit in lepton and b-jet categories

Inclusive $t\bar{t}$ cross section

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- **3.5%** total uncertainty!
- Main uncertainties: luminosity, lepton and b-tag efficiencies



$$\sigma_{t\bar{t}} = 882 \pm 23 (\text{stat.} + \text{syst.}) \pm 20 (\text{lumi}) \text{ pb}$$

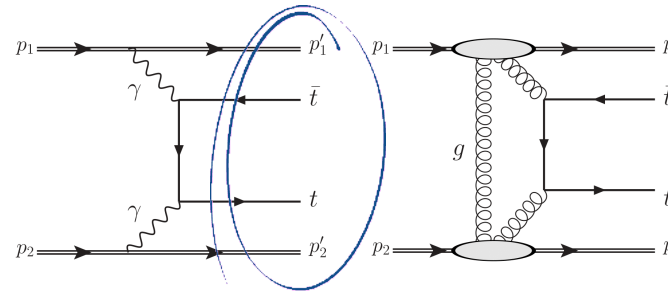
$$\sigma_{t\bar{t}}^{\text{th}} = 921^{+29}_{-37} \text{ pb}$$

Exclusive $t\bar{t}$ production

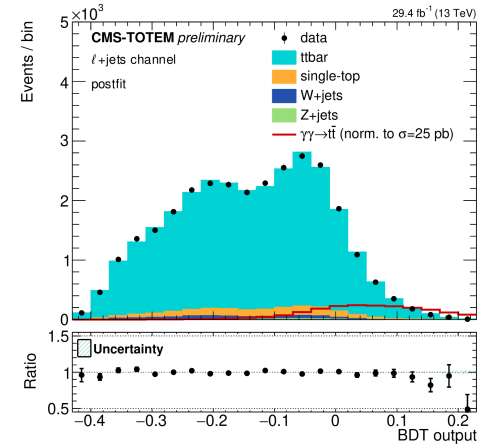
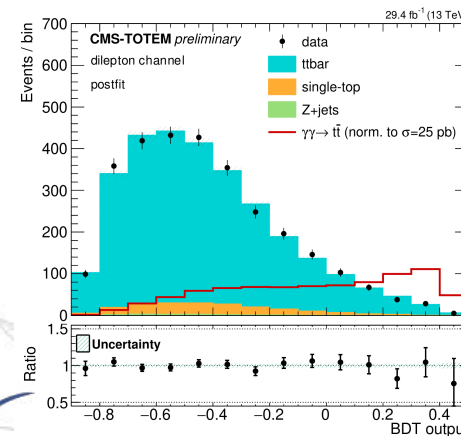
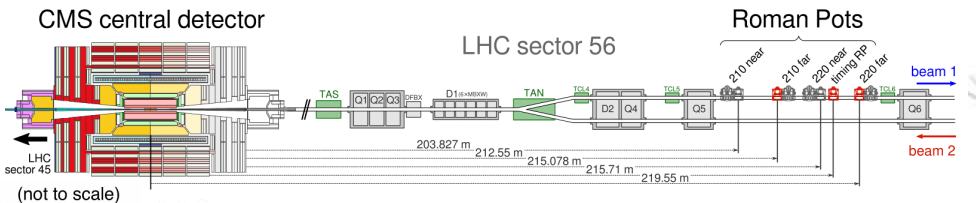
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- Really rare, ~ 0.1 fb
- Observation expected with HL-LHC
- Intact protons in final state
 - allows full $t\bar{t}$ reconstruction
- Proton-tagged events in **2017**
 - binned fit to BDT output
- CMS-TOTEM Precision Proton Spectrometer

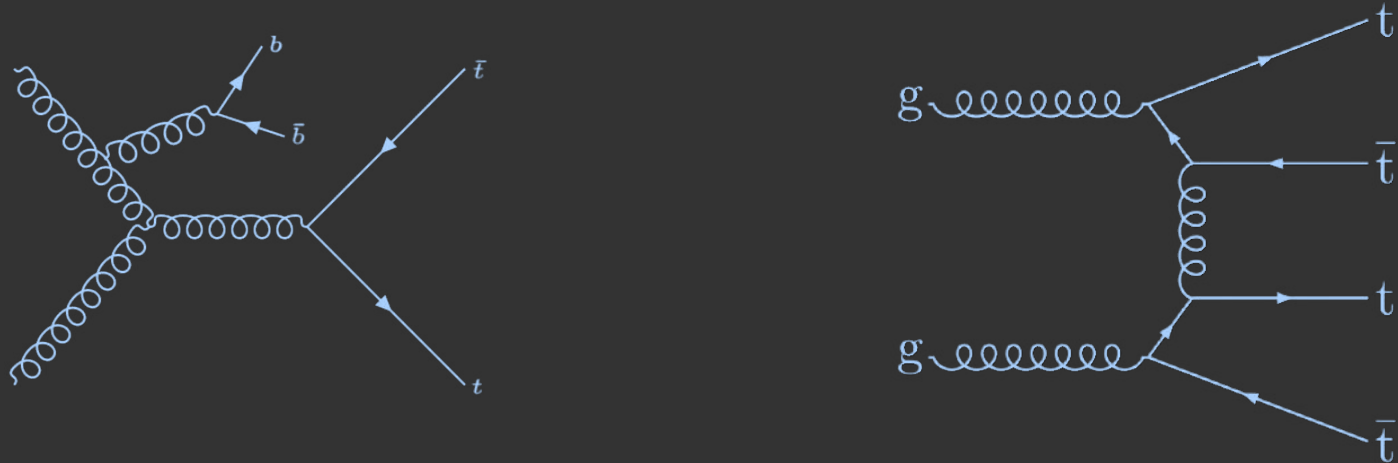


Observed (expected) limits:
0.59 pb (1.14 pb)



Signal normalized to $\sigma=25$ pb

Associated production with fermions



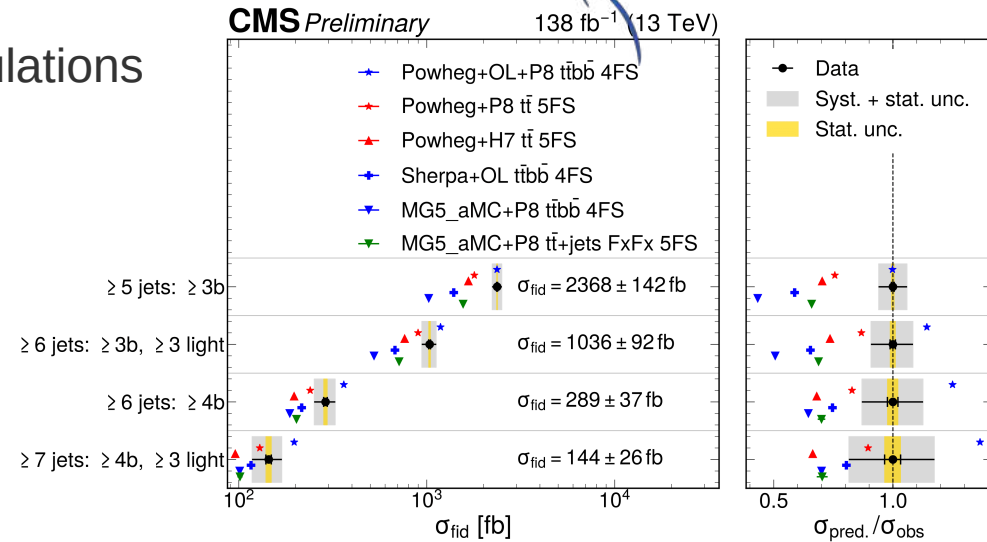
Inclusive and differential $t\bar{t}b\bar{b}$

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- Challenging to model
 - Important test for pQCD and PS calculations
- Important background to $t\bar{t}H$ and $t\bar{t}t\bar{t}$
- $1\ell, \geq 5$ jets, ≥ 3 b-jets
- Binned maximum likelihood fit
- Inclusive cross section generally **higher** than predicted by ~ 10 -50%

reduced normalization and factorization scale



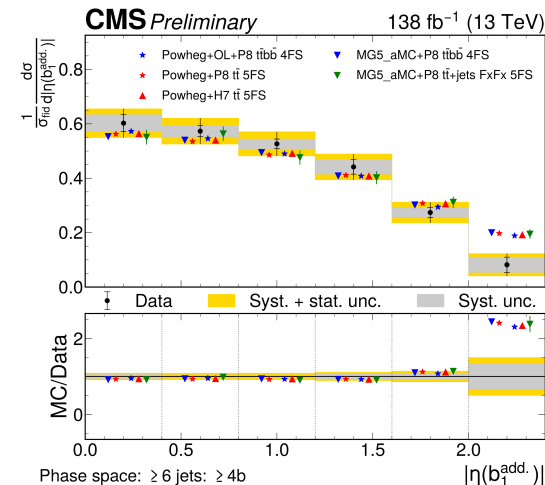
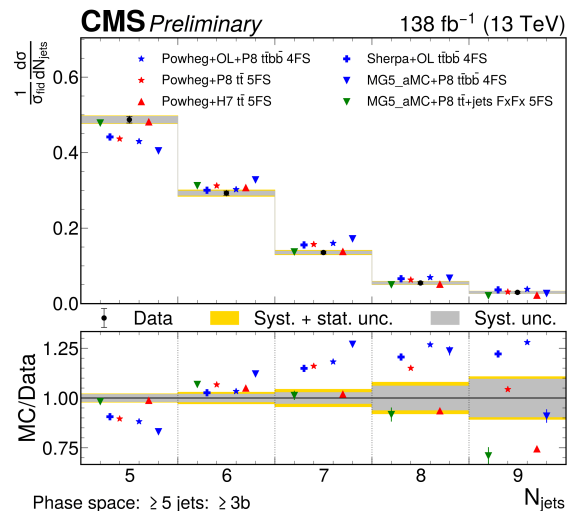
Most precise measurement of the $t\bar{t}b\bar{b}$ cross section to date!

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- Normalized differential cross sections tested for different generators
- Two classes of observables, depending on $b\bar{b}^{\text{add}}$
 - no identification
 - MVA algorithm
 - more accurate, but depends on event generator
- No simulation describes all the distributions properly
 - strongly depends on scale and shower tuning

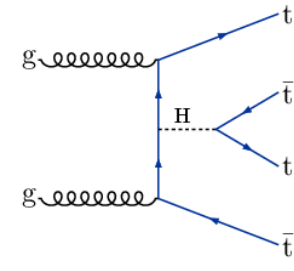
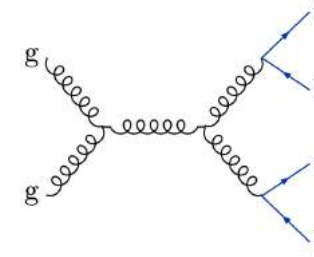
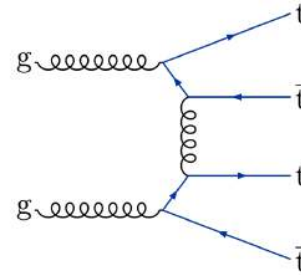


Four top quark production

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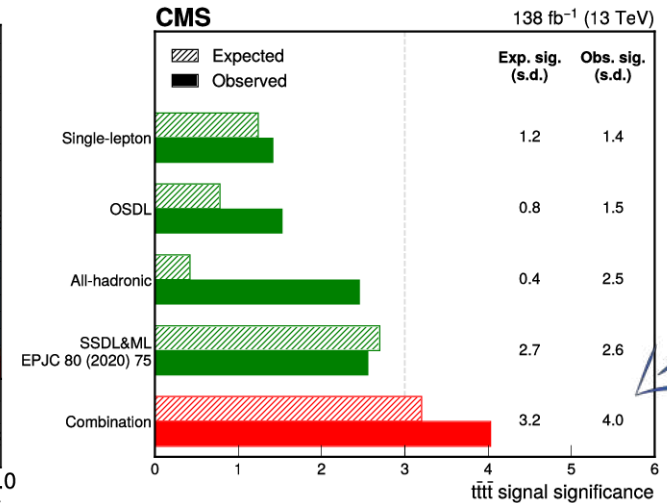
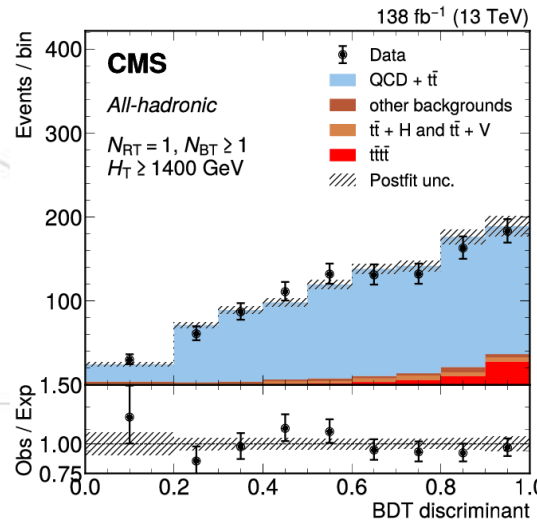


- One of the **rarest** processes of the SM
- Sensitive to top quark Yukawa coupling
- Opens the way to new physics: BSM, SUSY, EFT



- BDT classifier and likelihood fit
- All-hadronic final state included for the first time:

2.5 σ (obs) / 0.4 σ (exp)



Four top quark production

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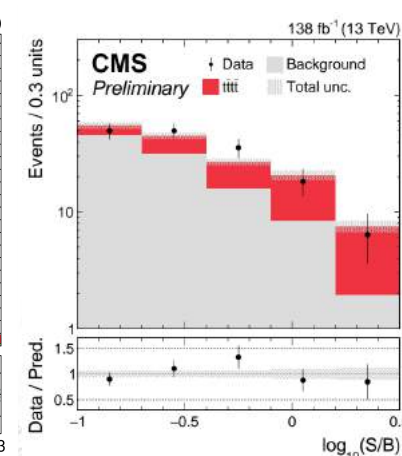
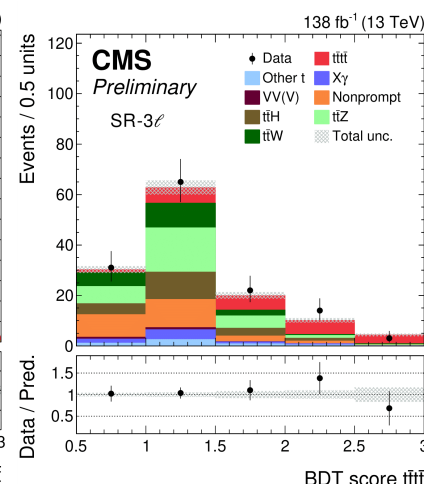
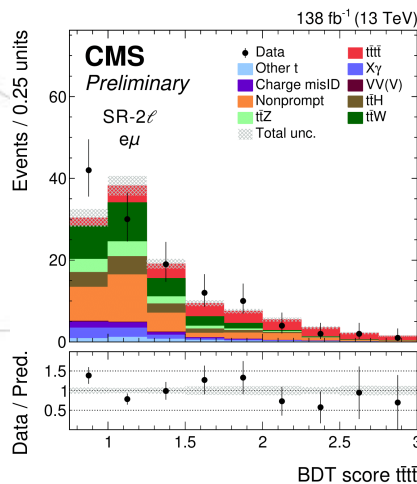
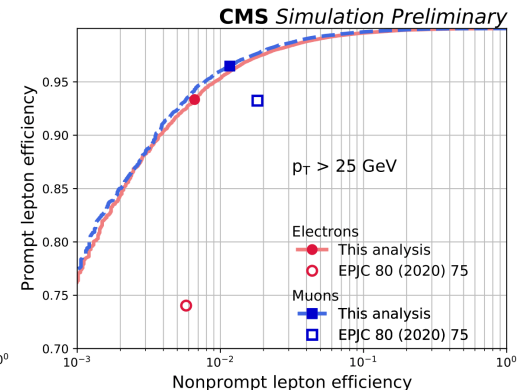
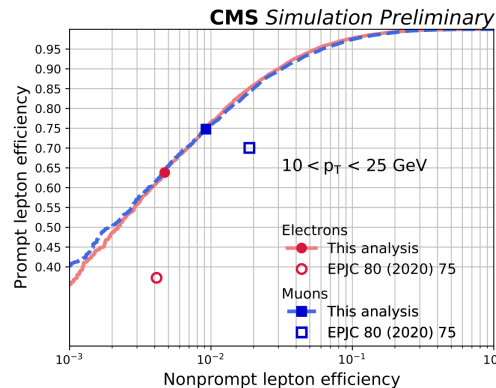


- Optimization of 2020 analysis
 - lepton MVA-based ID → TOP MVA
 - b-tagging algorithm → DeepJet
 - BDT (signal vs background)
- 2ℓ (same charge), 3ℓ and 4ℓ channels
- Observation from CMS:

5.5σ (obs) / 4.9σ (exp)

$$\sigma_{t\bar{t}\bar{t}\bar{t}} = 17.9^{+3.7}_{-3.5} (\text{stat.})^{+2.4}_{-2.1} (\text{syst.}) \text{ fb}$$

$$\sigma_{t\bar{t}\bar{t}\bar{t}}^{\text{th}} = 13.4^{+1.0}_{-1.8} \text{ fb}$$



Four top quark production

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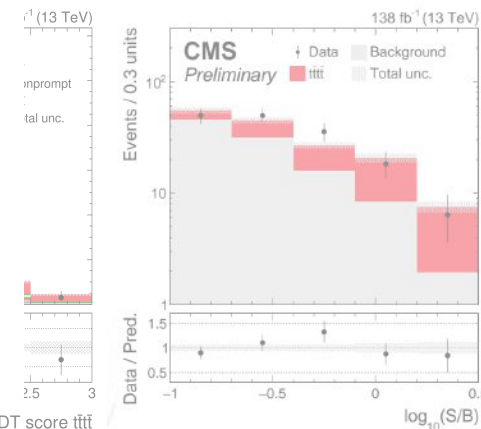
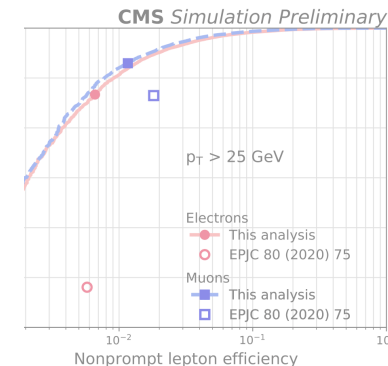
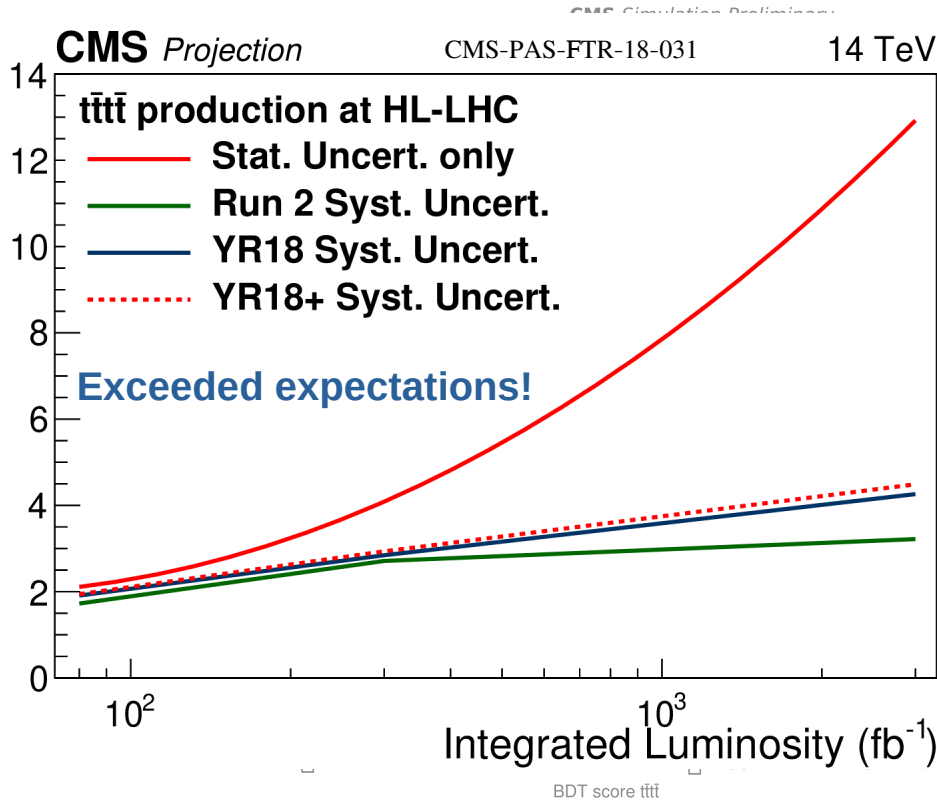


- Optimization of 2022
 - lepton MVA-based
 - b-tagging algorithm
 - BDT (signal vs background)
- 2ℓ (same sign), 3ℓ (opposite sign)
- Observation from CMS: 5.5σ (obs) / 4.9σ (exp)

$$\sigma_{t\bar{t}\bar{t}} = 17.9^{+3.7}_{-3.5} \text{ (stat.)}$$

$$\sigma_{t\bar{t}\bar{t}}^{th} = 13.4^{+1.0}_{-1.1}$$

Expected Significance (s.d.)



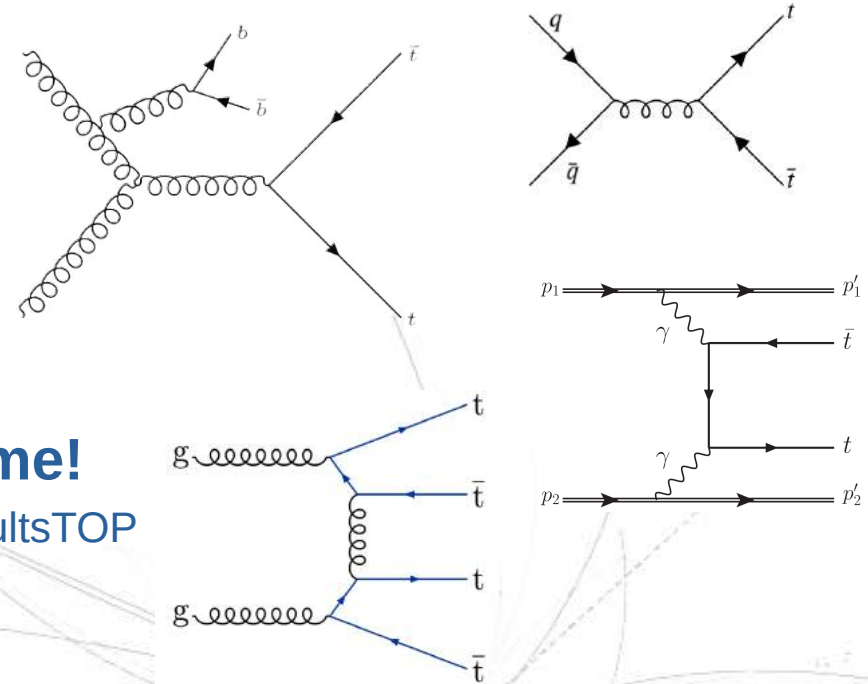
Summary



- After almost 30 years, top quark physics still offers **unique** opportunities:
 - modeling of theory prediction
 - test of SM
 - search for new physics
- Many new results at **13** and **13.6 TeV**
 - precision measurements ($t\bar{t}$, $t\bar{t}$ +jets)
 - rare processes (exclusive $t\bar{t}$, 4-top)

Run-3 has started, the best is yet to come!

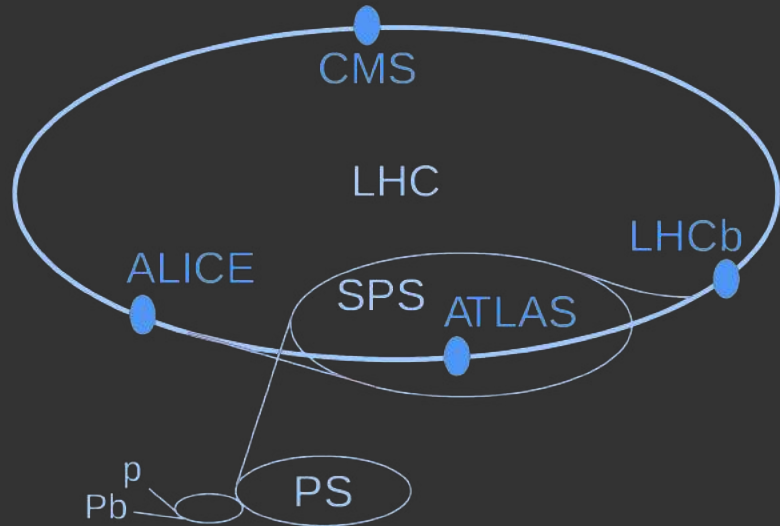
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Thank you !



Backup



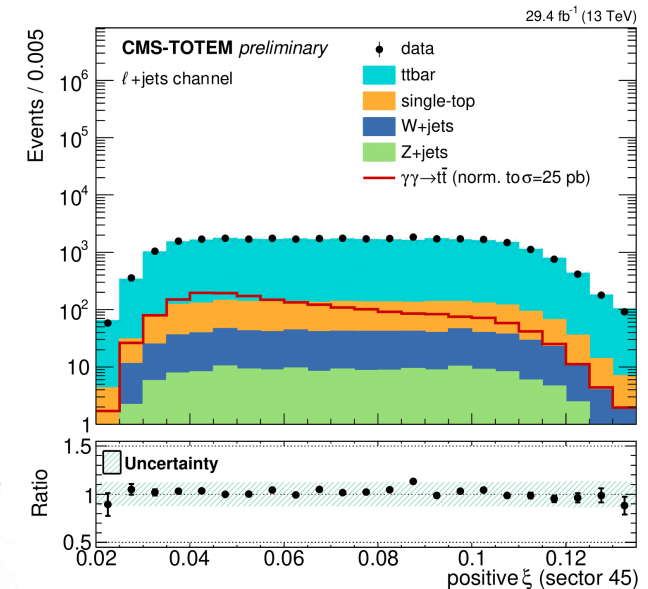
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multi-track inefficiency >50%

- Proton reconstruction efficiency affected by strip and pixel detectors efficiency, acceptance and reconstruction algorithm
- **Pileup protons** estimated from data: region (*pool*) with no b- and proton-tag requirements
 - probability of having protons $P(0,0)$, $P(1,0)$, $P(1,0)$, $P(2,2)$ estimated
 - bkg (MC, SR): proton pair added from pool and $P(2,2)$ added as weight
 - signal (MC, SR): if reco protons are missing, taken from pool with probability as weight



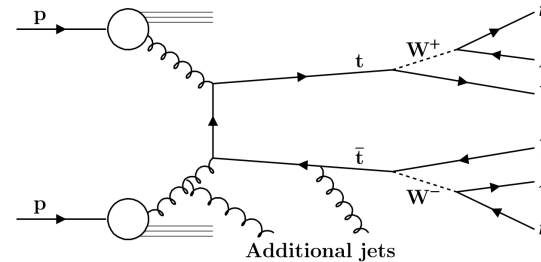
$$\xi = (|\vec{p}_i| - |\vec{p}_f|) / |\vec{p}_i|$$

Differential $t\bar{t}$ +jets cross section

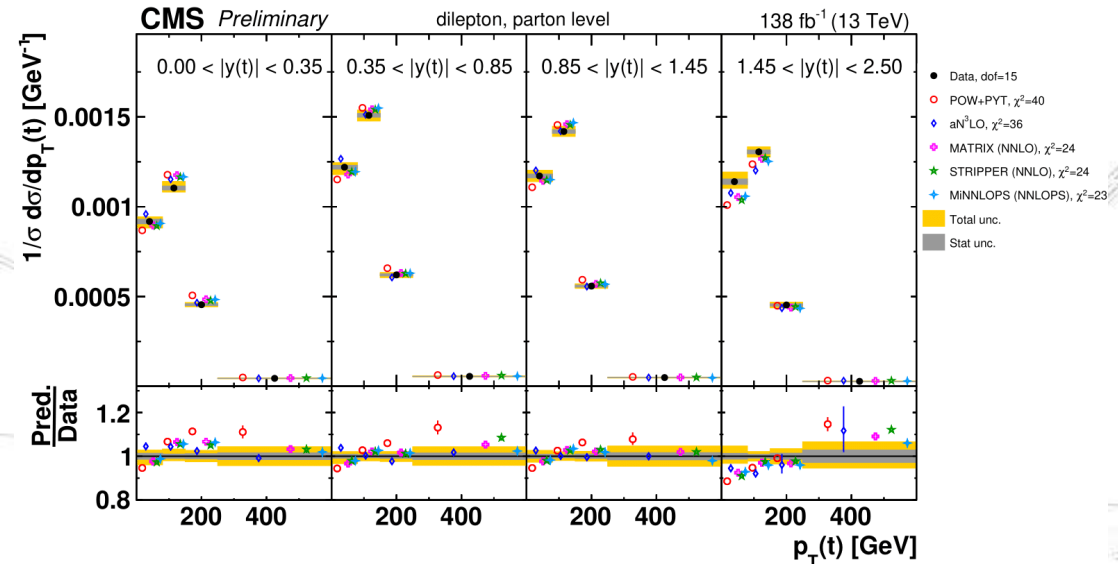
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- $t\bar{t}$ and $t\bar{t}$ +jets, useful test for
 - pQCD
 - BSM
- 2ℓ final states (e/ μ)
- Many (N)NLO MC generators predict **harder p_T spectra** than seen in data
- Jet multiplicity-dependent **shape differences** between data and models



multi-differential measurements

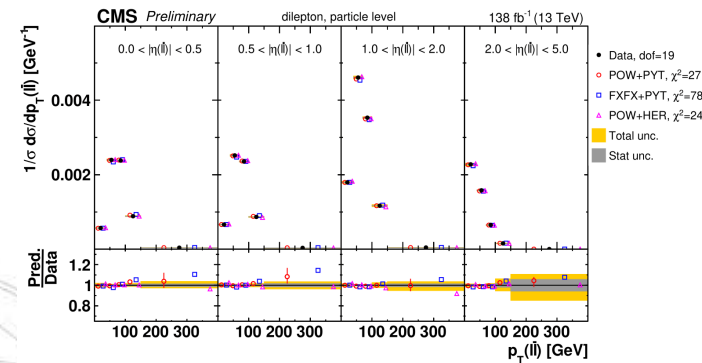
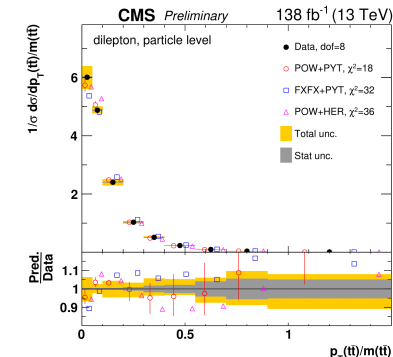
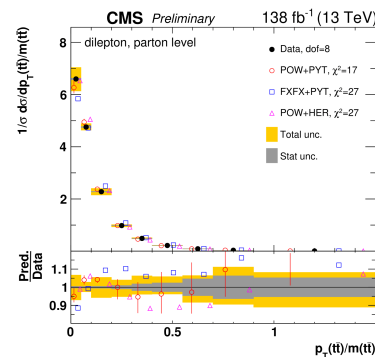


Differential $t\bar{t}$ +jets cross section

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- Improvements from previous analyses:
 - new observables
 - refined binnings
 - extended phase space
 - reduced uncertainties
- Measurements performed at parton and particle level
- Stronger disagreement in multi-differential measurements



Inclusive and differential $t\bar{t}b\bar{b}$

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- Fiducial phase space regions:

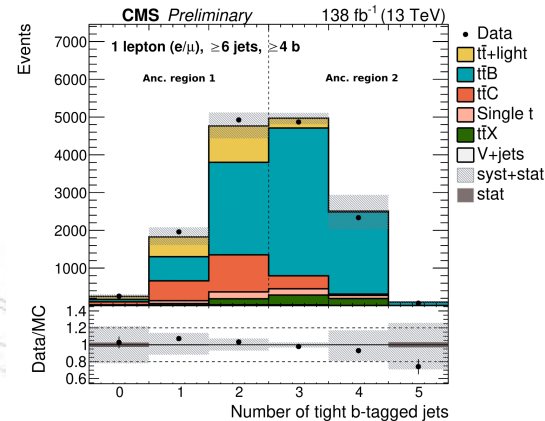
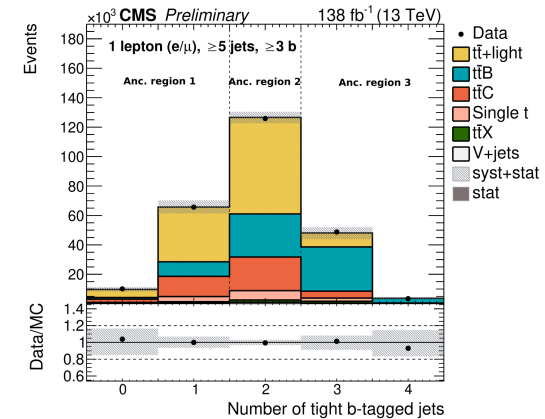
- 5j3b $\rightarrow t\bar{t}b$
- 6j4b $\rightarrow t\bar{t}b\bar{b}$
- 5j3b $\rightarrow t\bar{t}b\bar{j}$
- 6j4b $\rightarrow t\bar{t}b\bar{b}\bar{j}$

\rightarrow additional light jets

- “extra” b jets defined as pair of b-jets with smallest

$$\Delta R_{bb} = \sqrt{(\Delta \phi_{bb})^2 + (\Delta \eta_{bb})^2}$$

- Additional b-jets defined in 6j4b region
- Main unc. (inclusive): b-tag, JES, renormalization scale
- Differential measurement dominated by stat. unc.



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- Sensitivity dominated by statistical unc., $t\bar{t}H$ cross section and $t\bar{t}$ +heavy-jets modeling

Analysis	Signal strength (μ)			Cross section (fb)			Significance (s.d.)	
	(stat.)	(syst.)		(stat.)	(syst.)	Exp.	Obs.	
OSDL (2017+2018)	2.8	± 1.0	$+1.9$ -1.2	33	± 12	$+15$ -14	0.6	1.8
Single-lepton	1.2	$+0.7$ -0.6	± 0.6	15	± 8	$+10$ -7	1.2	1.4
All-hadronic	5.8	± 1.4	± 2.0	70	± 17	$+25$ -23	0.4	2.5
Combination of above	2.5	± 0.5	± 0.5	36	± 7	$+10$ -8	1.5	3.9
SSDL&ML (2016–2018) [21]	1.0	± 0.4	$+0.3$ -0.2	13	$+5$ -4	± 3	2.7	2.6
OSDL (2016) [22]	-0.2	$+1.7$ -1.5	± 1.5	-2	$+20$ -18	± 18	0.4	0
Full combination	1.4	± 0.3	± 0.2	17	± 4	± 3	3.2	4.0