

# Latest results from $t\bar{t}H$ and $tH$ in $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$ at CMS

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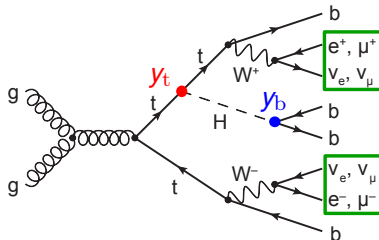
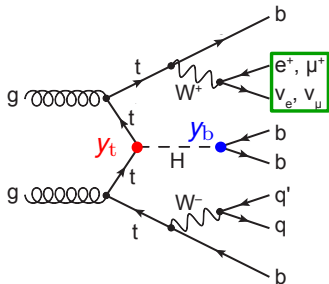


- SM: Yukawa-type coupling of Higgs boson to fermions ( $y_f \propto m_f/v$ )
  - proportional to fermion mass
  - expect largest coupling to top quark
- $t\bar{t}H$  and  $tH$ : direct access to the coupling (no indirect loop contributions)
- $\sigma(t\bar{t}H) \approx 0.5 \text{ pb}$  and  $\sigma(tH) \approx 90 \text{ fb}$  at  $\sqrt{s} = 13 \text{ TeV}$
- $t\bar{t}H$ : sensitive to magnitude of  $y_t$
- $tH$ : also sensitive to relative sign between top-Higgs coupling and coupling of Higgs to W boson
- This talk:  $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$  decay channel (coupling  $y_b$ ) and total 2016 dataset collected by CMS corresponding to  $35.9 \text{ fb}^{-1}$

	$t\bar{t}H$		$tH$
	leptonic	fully-hadronic	leptonic
$H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$	arXiv:1804.03682, submitted to JHEP	JHEP 06 (2018) 101	CMS-PAS-HIG-17-016

# $t\bar{t}H, H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$ (leptonic)

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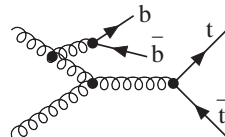
# Signal and background modeling

## Signal and background prediction from MC simulation

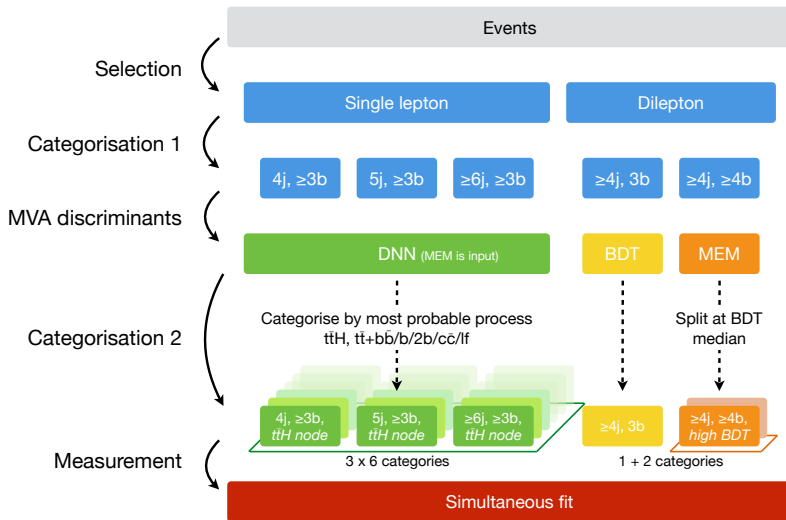
- Signal ( $t\bar{t}H$ ): Powheg+Pythia8 @ NLO QCD (cross sections @ NLO QCD and EW)
- Backgrounds:  $t\bar{t}$ , single top, V+jets,  $t\bar{t} + V$ , Diboson

## Dominant background: $t\bar{t}$

- $\sigma(t\bar{t}) \approx 832 \text{ pb}$  @ NNLO + NNLL @ 13 TeV
- Problematic: additional heavy flavor jets not from top
- Irreducible  $t\bar{t} + b\bar{b}$  contribution with large uncertainties  $\mathcal{O}(\sigma(t\bar{t} + b\bar{b})/\sigma(t\bar{t}H)) \approx 10$
- Inclusive  $t\bar{t}$  simulation by Powheg @ NLO QCD
- Additional b-jets (not from top) modeled by parton shower
- Split according to flavor of additional jets and add 50% normalization uncertainties

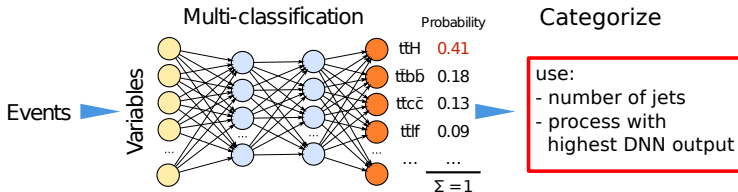


# Analysis overview

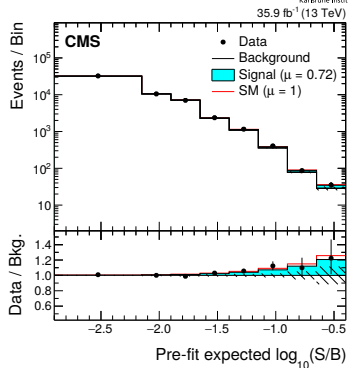
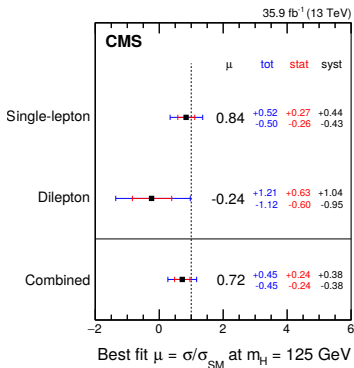


# Classification semileptonic channel

- Split events according to number of jets (4, 5,  $\geq 6$ )
- Multi-class DNN classifies events into classes corresponding to
  - Main  $t\bar{t} + X$  backgrounds
  - $t\bar{t}H$  signal
- DNN uses kinematic, event-shape and b-tagging variables as well as matrix element method
- $t\bar{t}H$  node: signal enriched category
- Background nodes (control regions): constrain large systematic uncertainties on  $t\bar{t} + hf$  processes



# Results



Channel & Analysis	Significance
dilepton BDT+MEM	-
single lepton DNN	1.68 $\sigma$
combination	1.59 $\sigma$

# Systematic uncertainties

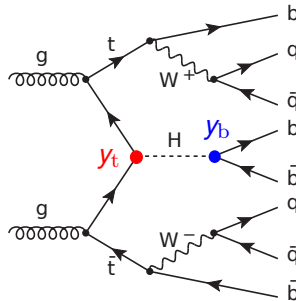
- Several experimental and theoretical uncertainties considered
- Considered as nuisance parameters in profile likelihood fit
- Most important uncertainties in table below

Uncertainty source	$\pm\Delta\mu$ (observed)	$\pm\Delta\mu$ (expected)
Total experimental	+0.15/-0.16	+0.19/-0.17
<b>b tagging</b>	<b>+0.11/-0.14</b>	<b>+0.12/-0.11</b>
jet energy scale and resolution	+0.06/-0.07	+0.13/-0.11
Total theory	+0.28/-0.29	+0.32/-0.29
<b><math>t\bar{t}</math> +hf cross-section and parton shower</b>	<b>+0.24/-0.28</b>	<b>+0.28/-0.28</b>
Size of MC samples	+0.14/-0.15	+0.16/-0.16
Total systematic	+0.38/-0.38	+0.45/-0.42
Statistical	+0.24/-0.24	+0.27/-0.27
Total	+0.45/-0.45	+0.53/-0.49



# $t\bar{t}H, H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$ (hadronic)

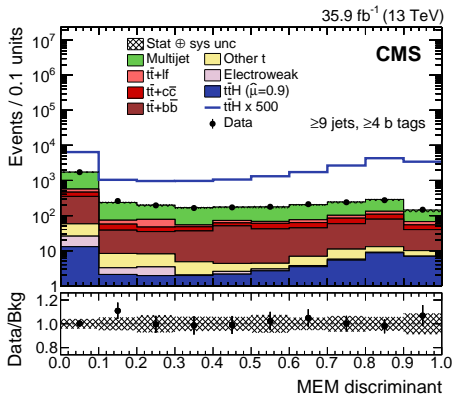
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- Selection:  $\geq 7$  jets,  $\geq 3$  b-tagged jets,  $H_T \geq 500$  GeV, lepton veto
- Categorization: jet and b-tag multiplicity
- 2 main backgrounds: QCD multijet and  $t\bar{t}$
- QCD multijet:
  - Discriminate against QCD multijet with Quark-Gluon-Likelihood-Ratio
  - Estimate shape from control region with low number of b-tags
  - Rate is obtained during final fit to data
- $t\bar{t}$ :
  - Estimated from MC simulation (same as in leptonic analysis)
  - Difficult contribution:  $t\bar{t} + b\bar{b}$
- Final discrimination with matrix element method separating  $t\bar{t}H, H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$  with  $t\bar{t} + b\bar{b}$

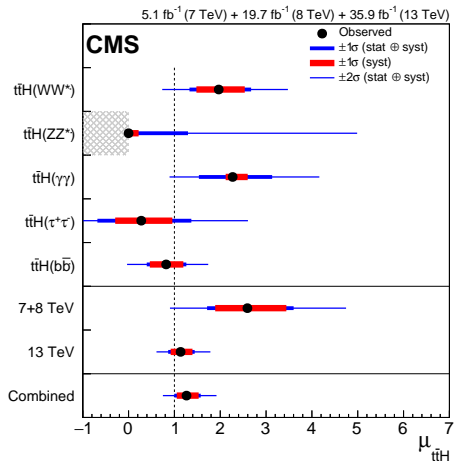
# Results

- Best fit:  $\mu = 0.9^{+1.5}_{-1.5}$
- Upper observed (expected) 95% C.L. limit:  $\mu < 3.8(3.1)$
- Dominant uncertainties: QCD estimation, b-tagging,  $t\bar{t} + hf$  contribution



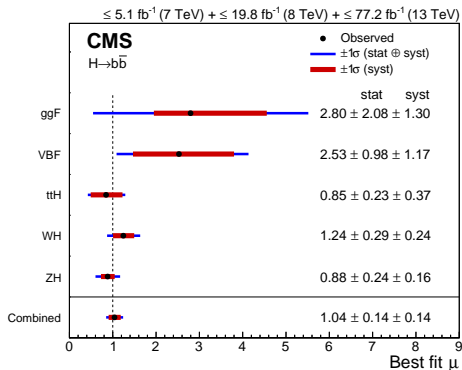
# Input to $t\bar{t}H$ observation, Phys. Rev. Lett. 120, 231801 (2018)

- Combination of several  $t\bar{t}H$  analyses in different decay channels
- Result:  $\mu_{t\bar{t}H} = 1.26^{+0.31}_{-0.26}$  with  $5.2\sigma$  significance above background-only hypothesis
- Higgs coupling to top quarks established
- $t\bar{t}H$  ( $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$ ) most sensitive input channel



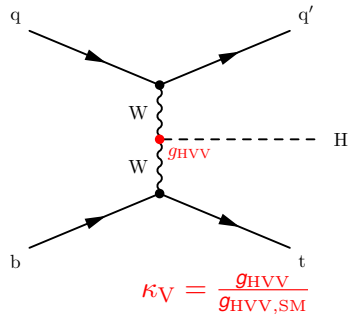
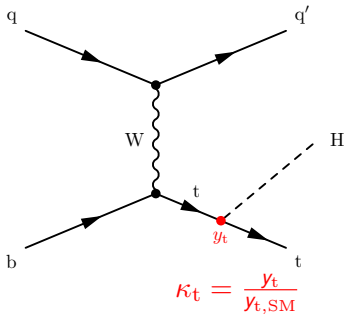
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- Combination of several Higgs analyses in  $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$  channel
- Result:  $\mu = 1.04^{+0.20}_{-0.19}$  with  $5.6\sigma$  signal significance
- Higgs coupling to bottom quarks established
- $t\bar{t}H$  ( $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$ ) significant contribution



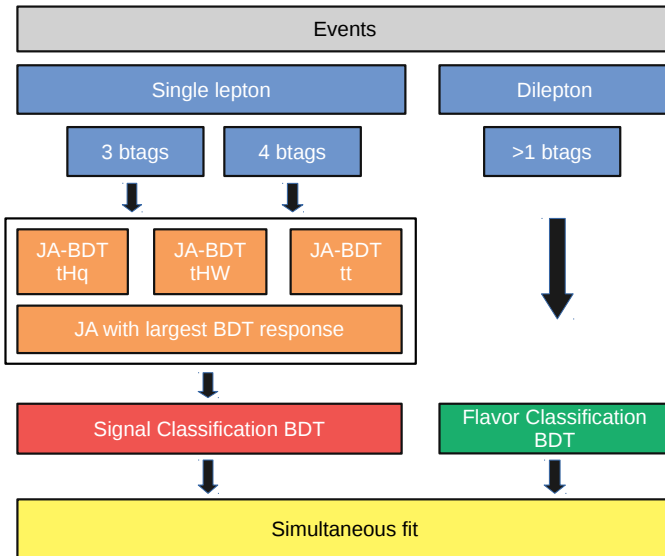
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- Signal and background from MC simulation
- Signal (tHq, tHW):
  - MadGraph @ LO (normalized to NLO cross section)
  - Generated for inverted top coupling (ITC) case:  $\kappa_t = -1$ ,  $\kappa_V = 1$
  - Reweighted to other  $\kappa_t/\kappa_V$  scenarios  $\rightarrow$  account not only for different cross sections and branching fractions but also kinematics
  - $\kappa_t$  from -3 to 3,  $\kappa_V$  from 0.5 to 1.5
  - s-channel production neglected due to vanishingly small cross section
  - SM:  $\sigma(\text{tHq}) \approx 71 \text{ fb}$ ,  $\sigma(\text{tHW}) \approx 16 \text{ fb}$
  - ITC:  $\sigma(\text{tHq}) \approx 739 \text{ fb}$ ,  $\sigma(\text{tHW}) \approx 147 \text{ fb}$
- Main backgrounds:  $t\bar{t}$ , single top,  $t\bar{t}H$ ,  $t\bar{t} + V$ 
  - $t\bar{t}H$ ,  $t\bar{t}$  and single top with Powheg @ NLO
  - $t\bar{t}$  is also splitted into  $t\bar{t} + l\bar{l}/c\bar{c}/b/2b/b\bar{b}$

# Analysis overview





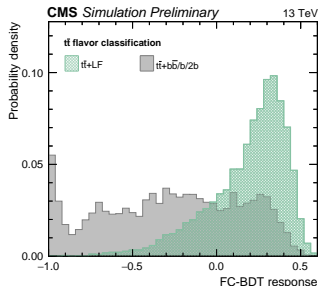
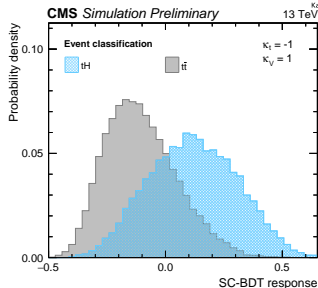
# Event classification

## Signal classification:

- BDT used in signal regions
- Discriminate  $tH_q$ ,  $tH_W$  (signal) from  $t\bar{t}$  (background)
- Uses jet assignment, kinematic, and event-shape variables

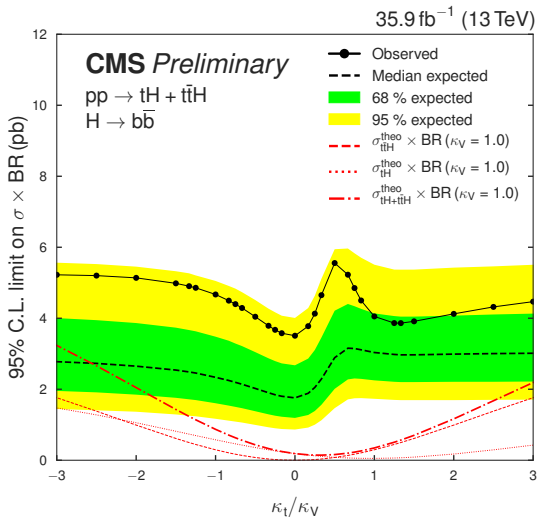
## Flavor classification:

- BDT used in dilepton control region
- Discriminate  $t\bar{t} + l\bar{l}$  events from  $t\bar{t} + b/2b/\bar{b}\bar{b}$  events
- Constrain normalization uncertainties regarding  $t\bar{t}$  processes (main background)



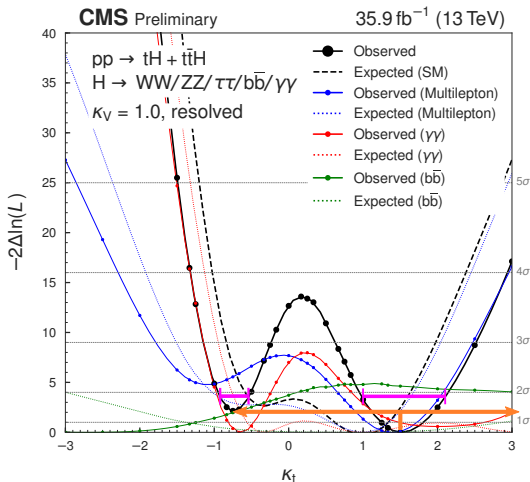
# Results

- Observed (expected) upper limits on cross section times branching fraction
- dominant uncertainties are:  $t\bar{t}$  + hf normalizations, b-tagging, JES
- $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$  channel starting to get sensitive



# tH combination, CMS-HIG-18-009, submitted to Phys. Rev. D

- Profile likelihood scan as function of  $\kappa_t$
- $\kappa_t$  affects cross section, branching fractions, and kinematics
- $-2\Delta \ln(\mathcal{L}) = -2 \ln(\mathcal{L}(\kappa_t)/\mathcal{L}(\hat{\kappa}_t))$
- Data favors positive  $\kappa_t$  value over negative with around  $1.5\sigma$
- $\kappa_t$  outside of  $[-0.9, -0.5]$  and  $[1.0, 2.1]$  excluded @ 95% C.L. for  $\kappa_V = 1$



- Overview about latest  $t\bar{t}H$  and  $tH$  results with  $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$  and  $35.9 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  of 2016 data collected by CMS
- All analyses rely heavily on b-tagging and description of  $t\bar{t} + hf$  processes (dominant uncertainties)
- $t\bar{t}H, H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$ : most sensitive input to  $t\bar{t}H$  observation
- $tH, H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$ : starting to get sensitive, more data will help

# Backup

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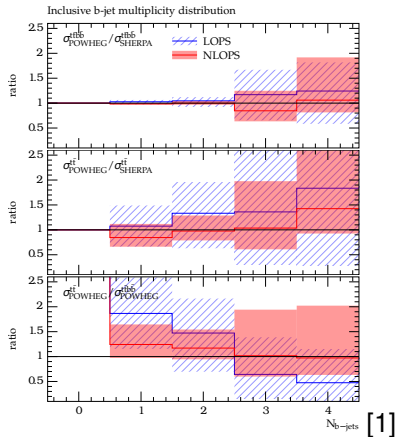
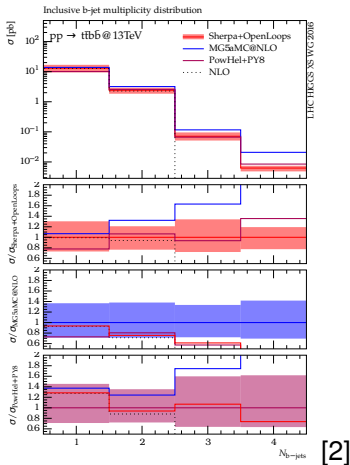
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# $t\bar{t}$ + additional b-jets



**Conclusion:** account for uncertainties of around 30% (left plot) and consider differences between inclusive  $t\bar{t}$  and  $t\bar{t} + b\bar{b}$  simulation (right plot)  $\Rightarrow$  50% uncertainties on  $t\bar{t} + h\bar{f}$  processes

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# $t\bar{t}$ + heavy flavor splitting

$t\bar{t}$  sample split further according to **gen-jets** containing additional b/c hadrons with CMSSW GenHFHadronMatcher tool

- **gen-jets**: clustered from final state generator particles,  $p_T > 20$ ,  $|\eta| < 2.4$
- **containing hadrons**: jets into which b/c hadrons (before decay) that are injected as “ghosts” (energy scaled  $\rightarrow 0$ ) are clustered
- **additional hadrons**: cannot be traced back to top-decay products

## $t\bar{t}$ +HF classes:

$t\bar{t} + b\bar{b}$ : at least two add. b-jets

$t\bar{t} + b$ : one add. b-jet from a single b hadron

$t\bar{t} + 2b$ : one add. b-jet from two or more overlapping b hadrons

$t\bar{t} + c\bar{c}$ : at least one add. c-jet, no add. b-jets

$t\bar{t} + lf$ : does not belong to any of the above

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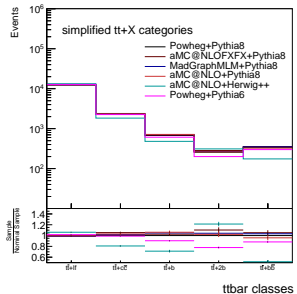
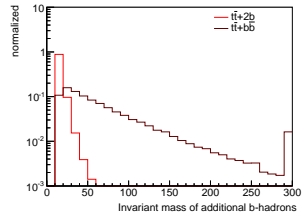
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# $t\bar{t}$ + heavy flavor splitting

- Physics motivation
  - $t\bar{t} + b\bar{b}$  and  $t\bar{t} + b$  in principle same process, well separated jets  $\Rightarrow$  can be treated perturbatively
  - $t\bar{t} + b\bar{b}$  signal-like in terms of jets and tags
  - $t\bar{t} + 2b$  different: collinear gluon splitting within one jet  $\Rightarrow$  depends on parton shower tuning
  - $t\bar{t} + c\bar{c}$  Similar issues, but less signal-like
- Scheme developed in coordination with ATLAS
- Assigning 50% rate uncertainty for  $t\bar{t}$  subprocesses



# Systematic uncertainties

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Source	Type	Notes
Luminosity	InN	Signal and all backgrounds
Lepton ID/Iso	shape	Signal and all backgrounds
Trigger efficiency	shape	Signal and all backgrounds
Pileup	shape	Signal and all backgrounds
JES and JER	shape	Signal and all backgrounds
<i>b</i> -Tag HF fraction	shape	Signal and all backgrounds
<i>b</i> -Tag HF stats (linear)	shape	Signal and all backgrounds
<i>b</i> -Tag HF stats (quadratic)	shape	Signal and all backgrounds
<i>b</i> -Tag LF fraction	shape	Signal and all backgrounds
<i>b</i> -Tag LF stats (linear)	shape	Signal and all backgrounds
<i>b</i> -Tag LF stats (quadratic)	shape	Signal and all backgrounds
<i>b</i> -Tag Charm (linear)	shape	Signal and all backgrounds
<i>b</i> -Tag Charm (quadratic)	shape	Signal and all backgrounds
QCD Scale ( $t\bar{t}H$ )	InN	Scale uncertainty for NLO $t\bar{t}H$ prediction
QCD Scale ( $t\bar{t}$ )	InN	Scale uncertainty for NLO $t\bar{t}$ prediction
QCD Scale ( $t\bar{t}$ +HF)	InN	Additional scale uncertainty for NLO $t\bar{t}$ +HF predictions
QCD Scale ( $t$ )	InN	Scale uncertainty for NLO single top prediction
QCD Scale ( $V$ )	InN	Scale uncertainty for NNLO $W$ and $Z$ prediction
QCD Scale ( $VV$ )	InN	Scale uncertainty for NLO diboson prediction

# Systematic uncertainties

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Source	Type	Notes
pdf ( $gg$ )	lnN	Pdf uncertainty for $gg$ initiated processes except $t\bar{t}H$ ( $t\bar{t}$ , $t\bar{t}Z$ )
pdf ( $gg\bar{t}H$ )	lnN	Pdf uncertainty for $t\bar{t}H$
pdf ( $q\bar{q}$ )	lnN	Pdf uncertainty for $q\bar{q}$ initiated processes ( $t\bar{t}W$ , $W$ , $Z$ ).
pdf ( $qg$ )	lnN	Pdf uncertainty for $qg$ initiated processes (single top)
Q2 Scale ( $t\bar{t}$ )	shape	Renormalization and factorization scale uncertainties of the $t\bar{t}$ ME generator, independent for additional jet flavors
PS Scale: ISR ( $t\bar{t}$ )	lnN	Parton-shower scale uncertainties (for $t\bar{t}$ events), independent for additional jet flavors
PS Scale: FSR ( $t\bar{t}$ )	lnN	Parton-shower scale uncertainties (for $t\bar{t}$ events), independent for additional jet flavors
ME-PS matching ( $t\bar{t}$ )	lnN	NLO parton-shower matching, hdamp (for $t\bar{t}$ events), independent for additional jet flavors
Underlying Event ( $t\bar{t}$ )	lnN	Underlying event (for $t\bar{t}$ events)
NNPDF3.0 ( $t\bar{t}$ )	shape	Pdf uncertainty for $t\bar{t}$
Bin-by-bin statistics	shape	statistical uncertainty of the signal and background prediction due o the limited sample size

# Matrix Element for ttH(bb) vs ttbb

- Signal extraction via Matrix Element Methods (MEM):
  - Event-by-event discriminator build upon matrix elements, combined with reconstruction-level information.

Numerical integration	Momentum conservation	Resolution function (allow ISR)
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$$w(\vec{y}|\mathcal{H}) = \sum_{i=1}^{N_C} \int \frac{dx_a dx_b}{2x_a x_b s} \int \prod_{k=1}^8 \left( \frac{d^3 \vec{p}_k}{(2\pi)^3 2E_k} \right) (2\pi)^4 \delta^{(E,z)} \left( p_a + p_b - \sum_{k=1}^8 p_k \right) \mathcal{R}^{(x,y)} \left( \vec{p}_T, \sum_{k=1}^8 p_k \right) \\ \times g(x_a, \mu_F) g(x_b, \mu_F) |\mathcal{M}(p_a, p_b, p_1, \dots, p_8)|^2 W(\vec{y}, \vec{p})$$

Parton density functions	LO scattering amplitude (Open Loops)	Detector transfer function
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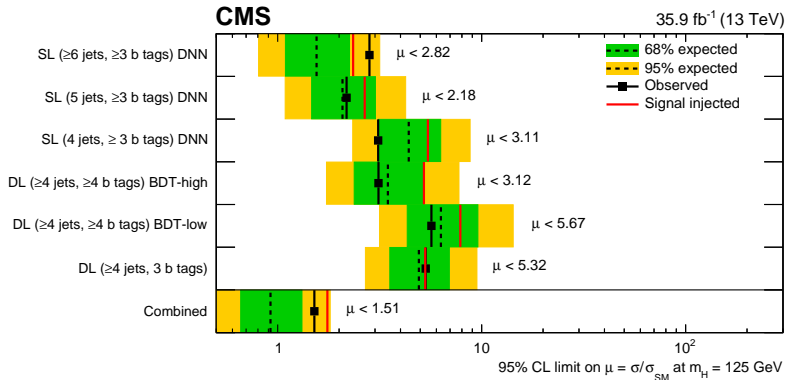
- Construct per-event signal/background probability using full kinematic information in an analytic approach

$$P_{s/b} = \frac{w(\vec{y}|\bar{t}\bar{t}H)}{w(\vec{y}|\bar{t}\bar{t}H) + k_{s/b} w(\vec{y}|\bar{t}\bar{t}+bb)}$$

- $\bar{t}\bar{t} + b\bar{b}$  taken as background hypothesis, permuting over all jet assignments

# Upper limits, $t\bar{t}H$ , $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$ leptonic

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- 3 final state hypotheses used:  $tHq$ ,  $tHW$ ,  $t\bar{t}$
- Search for best possible assignment between reconstructed jets and final-state quark
- BDTs used to discriminate between correct and incorrect assignments
- "Correct" assignment for one jet:  $\Delta R \leq 0.3$
- Overall assignment with lowest sum of all  $\Delta R$  considered to be "correct"
- Jet assignment with highest BDT response (3 hypotheses) chosen
- JA-BDTs use kinematics, b-tagging information and angular variables

# tHq and tHW cross sections

$$\sigma_{tHq} = (2.633\kappa_t^2 + 3.578\kappa_V^2 - 5.211\kappa_t\kappa_V) \times \sigma_{tHq}^{\text{SM}} \quad (1)$$

$$\sigma_{tHW} = (2.909\kappa_t^2 + 2.310\kappa_V^2 - 4.220\kappa_t\kappa_V) \times \sigma_{tHW}^{\text{SM}} \quad (2)$$

# tH only limits

