

$t\gamma q + t\bar{t}\gamma$ — methodology

Background estimation ($t\bar{t}\gamma$ as signal):

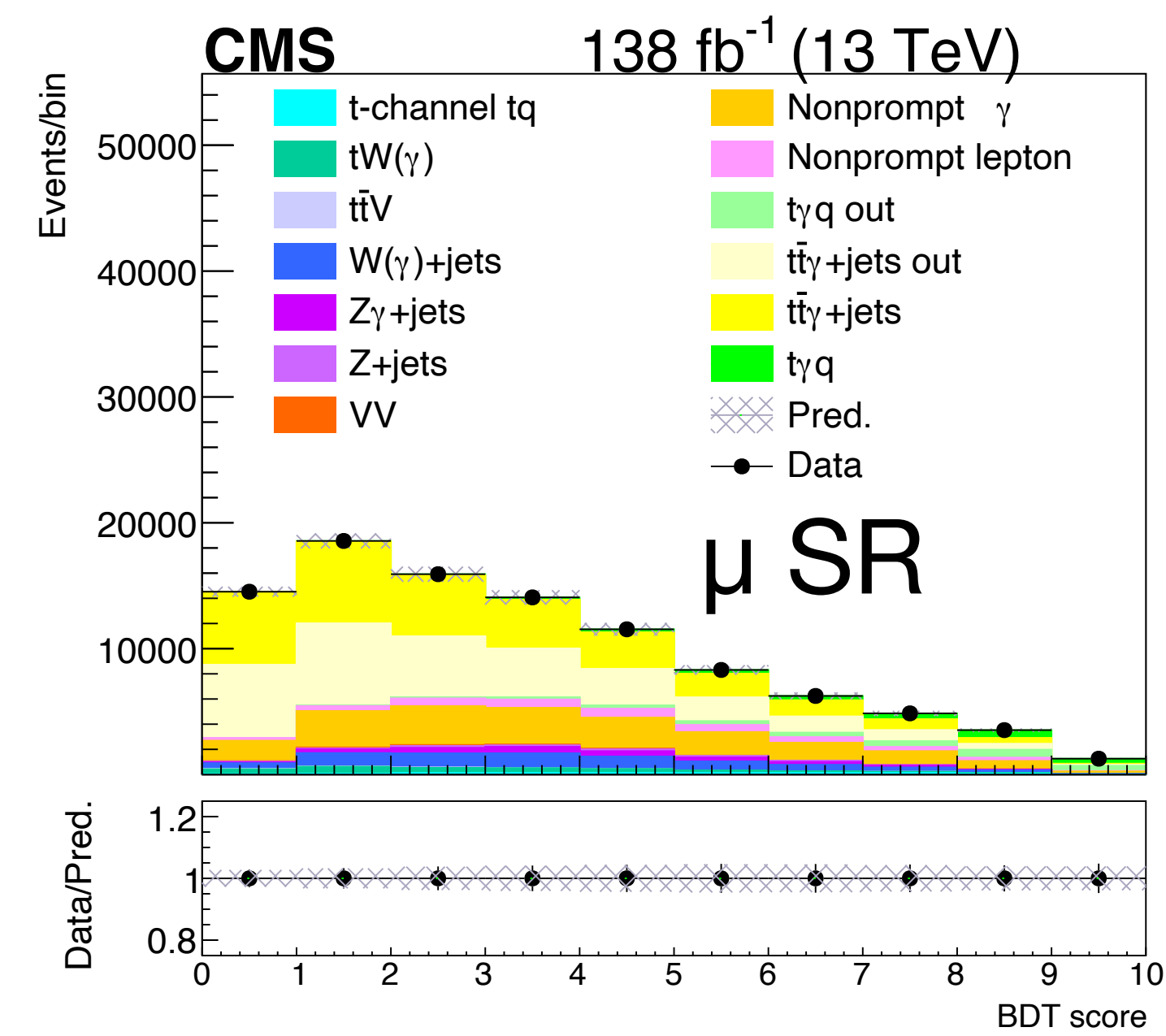
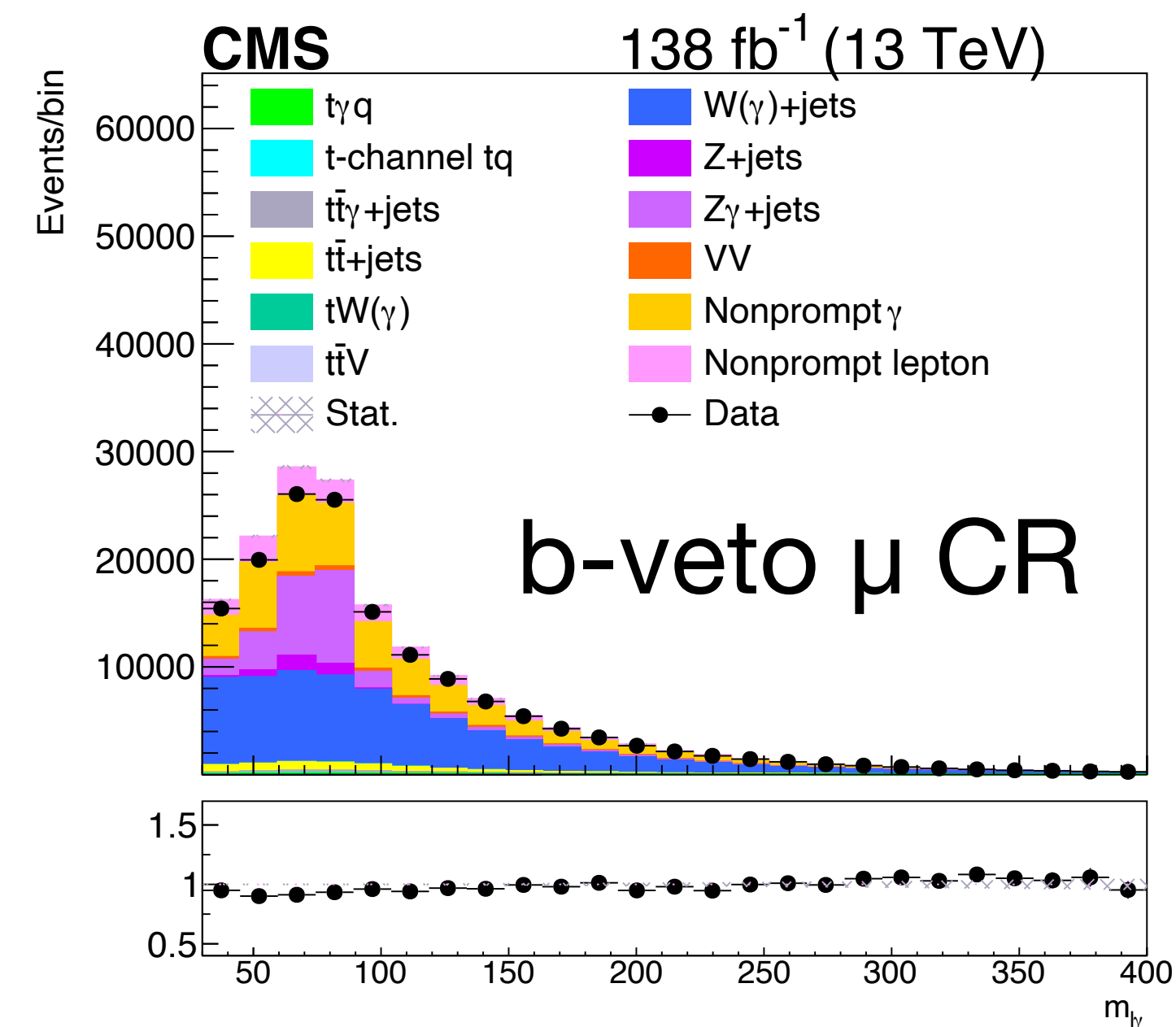
- Simulation: $t\bar{t}$, V +Jets/ $V\gamma$ +Jets, tW / $tW\gamma$, TTV , VV
 - Brief overlap removal explanation
- Data-Driven backgrounds:
 - $j \rightarrow \gamma$ (nonprompt γ) from data-driven
 - $j \rightarrow \ell$ (nonprompt ℓ) from data-driven
 - $e \rightarrow \gamma$ (mainly in e channel) from fit

Separate signal and background

- Train **BDT** to separate $t\gamma q$, $t\bar{t}\gamma$ and others

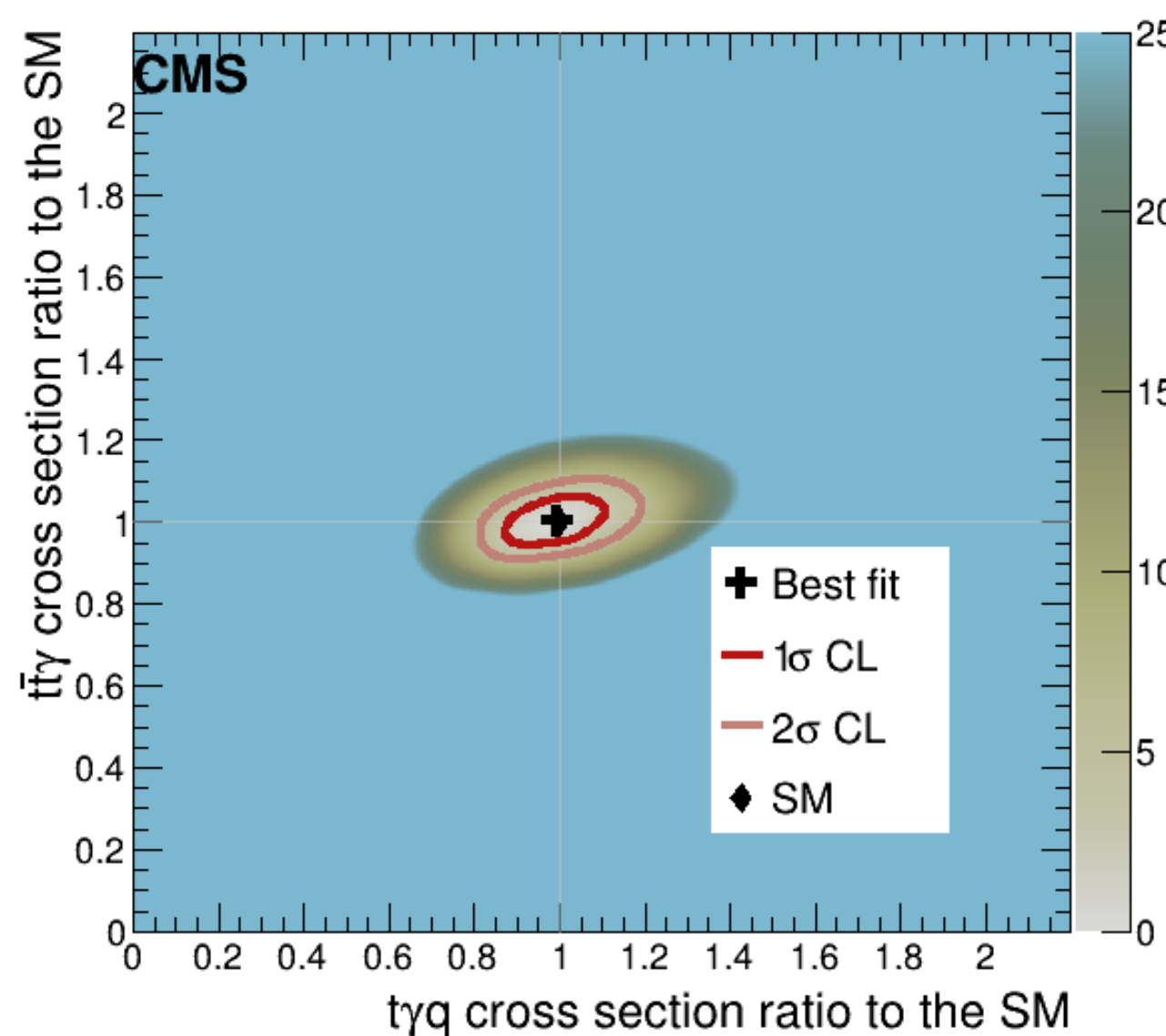
Signal and control regions definition

- Signal regions in e or μ channel
- b -veto control region in e or μ channel
- $V\gamma$ validation region in e or μ channel



$t\gamma q + t\bar{t}\gamma$ — Fit and Results

- Perform a simultaneous fit for events in the **signal** and **b-veto control regions**
 - The signal region uses the BDT distribution
 - The control region uses the $m_{\ell\gamma}$ distribution
- Float Z+jets ($e \rightarrow \gamma$) normalisation in electron channels
- Differential fits are as functions of photon p_T , lepton p_T , and $m_{\ell\gamma}$ in particle level
 - Top related variables will be added in parton level



$$r_{t\gamma q} = 1.0^{+0.077}_{-0.077}$$

$$r_{t\bar{t}\gamma} = 1.0^{+0.040}_{-0.041}$$

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$$r = 1.0 \pm 0.009 \text{ stat} \pm 0.062 \text{ syst}$$

