

$t\bar{t}H$ measurement in multilepton final states in pp collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 13$ TeV with the ATLAS detector

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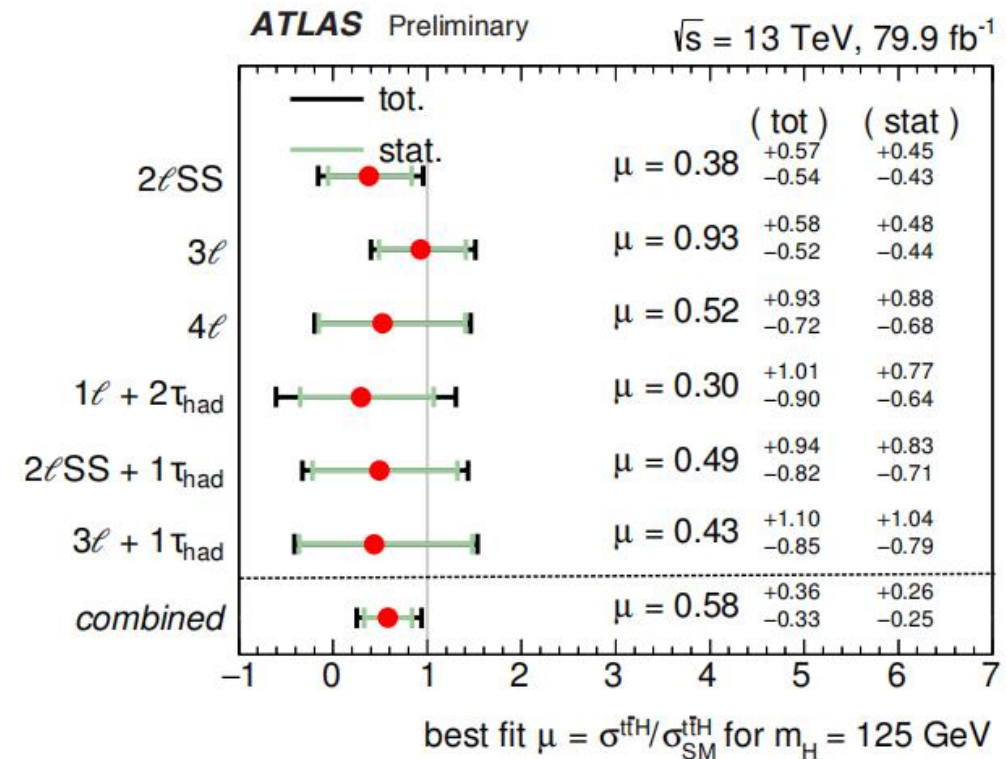
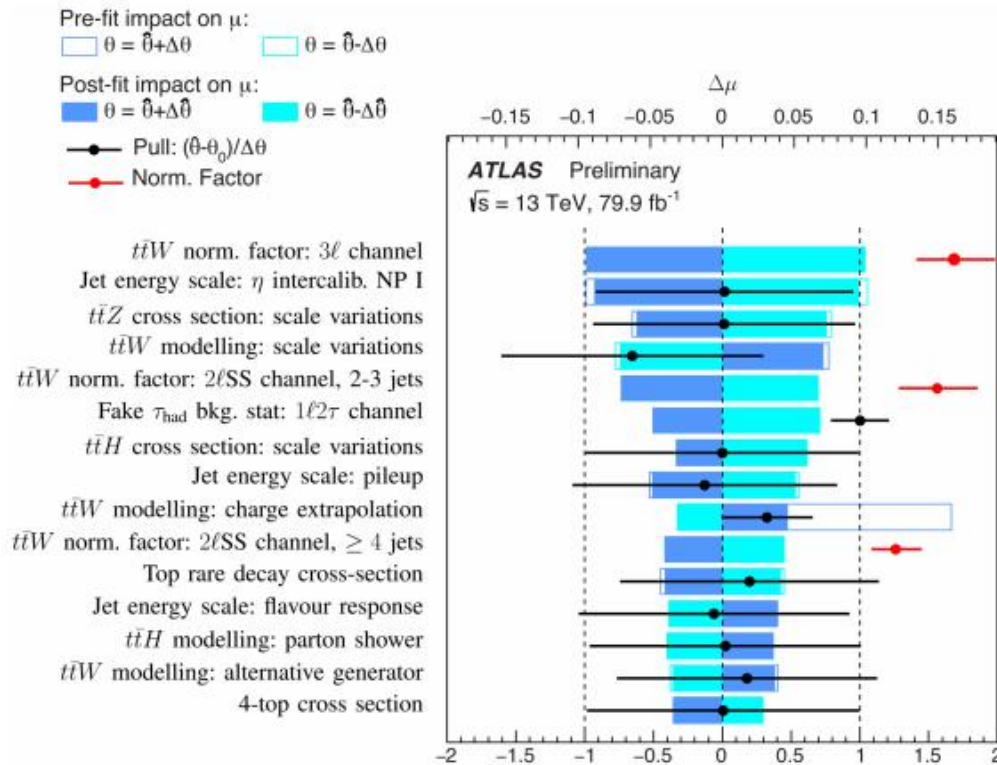
Outline

- Overview of $t\bar{t}H$ multilepton ($t\bar{t}HML$) results @80 fb⁻¹
- Overview of $t\bar{t}WML$ inclusive measurement @139 fb⁻¹
- Analysis of $t\bar{t}HML$ legacy paper
 - ✓ MC samples
 - ✓ Objects selection
 - ✓ Main backgrounds estimation in 0tau channel
 - ✓ SRs/CRs definition in 2LSS0tau channel
 - ✓ Combined fit

• Previous Run2 result

- ✓ NF(ttW) very high ----- Predict $\sigma(\text{ttW})=600.8 \text{ fb}$
- ✓ $\mu(\text{ttH})$ quite low (0.58)
- ✓ Observed significance: 1.8σ (expected 3.1σ)

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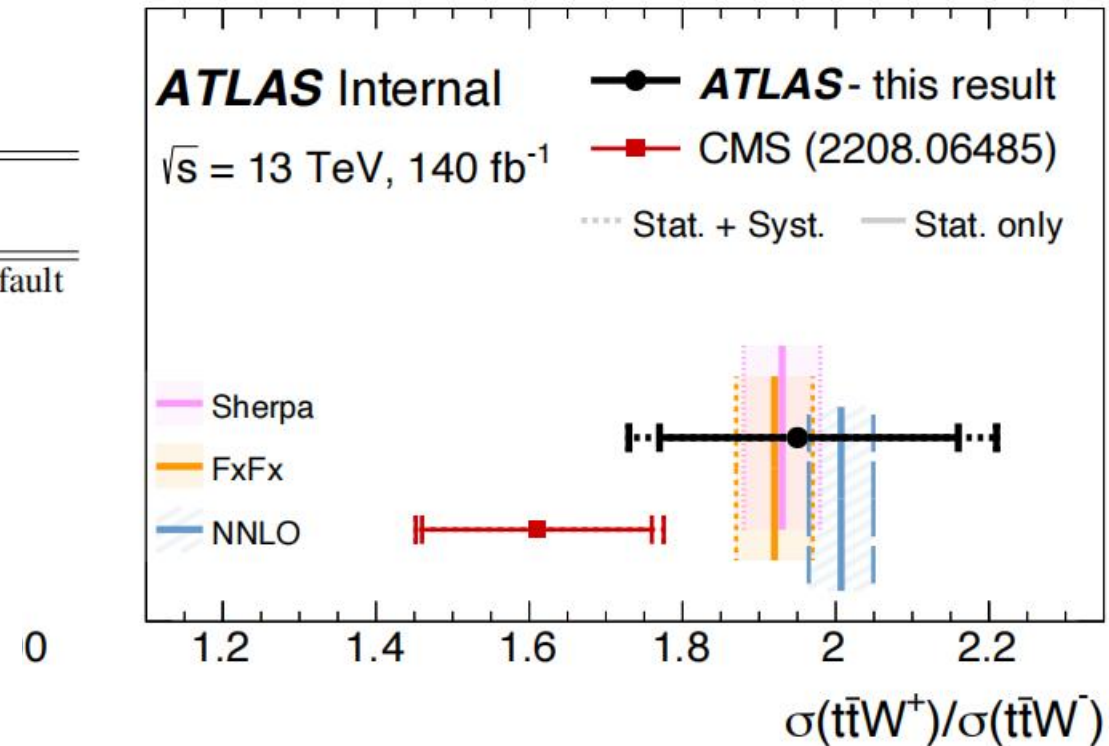


ttW inclusive (XS and charge ratio)

- $\sigma(\text{tt}W) = 890 \pm 50 \text{ (stat)} \pm 70 \text{ (syst) fb}$ (9% relative uncertainty)
 - ✓ Predict $\sigma(\text{tt}W) = 615.78 \text{ fb}$, $\mu_{t\bar{t}W} = 1.44^{+0.14}_{-0.13}$ (*tot.*)
- $\sigma(\text{tt}W+)/\sigma(\text{tt}W-) = 1.95 \pm 0.21 \text{ (stat)} \pm 0.16 \text{ (syst)} \rightarrow \text{consistent with SM}$

Process	Generator (alternative)	Parton Shower (alternative)	PDF	Tune
$t\bar{t}W$	SHERPA-2.2.10 (MADGRAPH5_AMC@NLO)	SHERPA-2.2.10 (PYTHIA-8)	NNPDF 3.0 NNLO	SHERPA default
$t\bar{t}H$	POWHEG-BOX	PYTHIA 8	NNPDF 3.0 NLO / A14 NNPDF 2.3 LO	

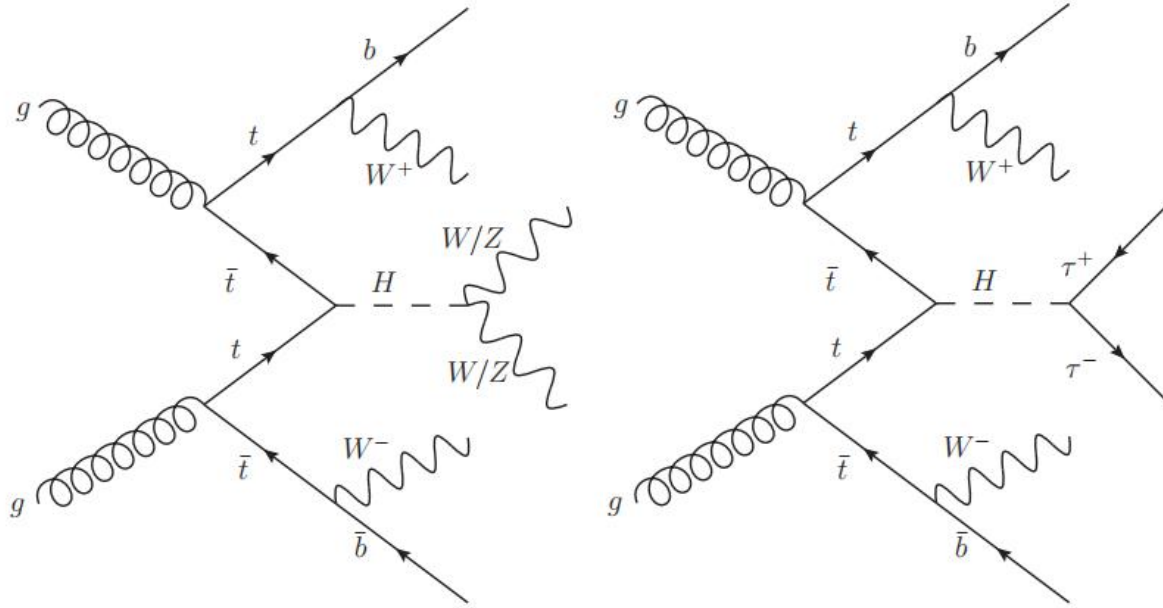
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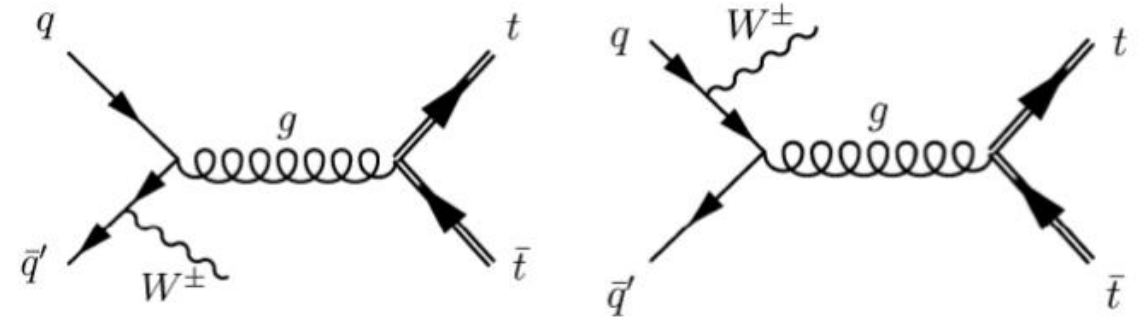
Legacy Run 2 ttHML Analysis strategy

- **Full Run 2!**
- **Build on ttW measurement for 0tau channels**
 - ✓ Make use of improved understanding of fakes and ttW modelling
 - ✓ Fake estimate similar but improved
- **Similar approach as 80 fb⁻¹ analysis for tau channels**
 - ✓ Dedicated fake estimates
- **Combined inclusive fit result**
- **New interpretations**
 - ✓ Higgs reconstruction with GNN
 - ✓ Differential STXS measurement
 - ✓ Higgs CP measurement
 - Significant sensitivity coming from measuring tH
 - ✓ EFT and self-coupling sensitivity has been studied but would be left for combination rather than dedicated interpretation in this paper.

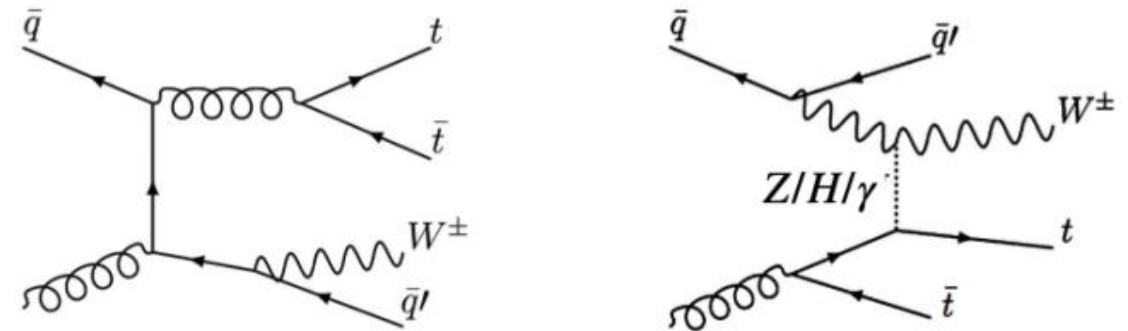
Feynman diagrams



$t\bar{t}H$ process



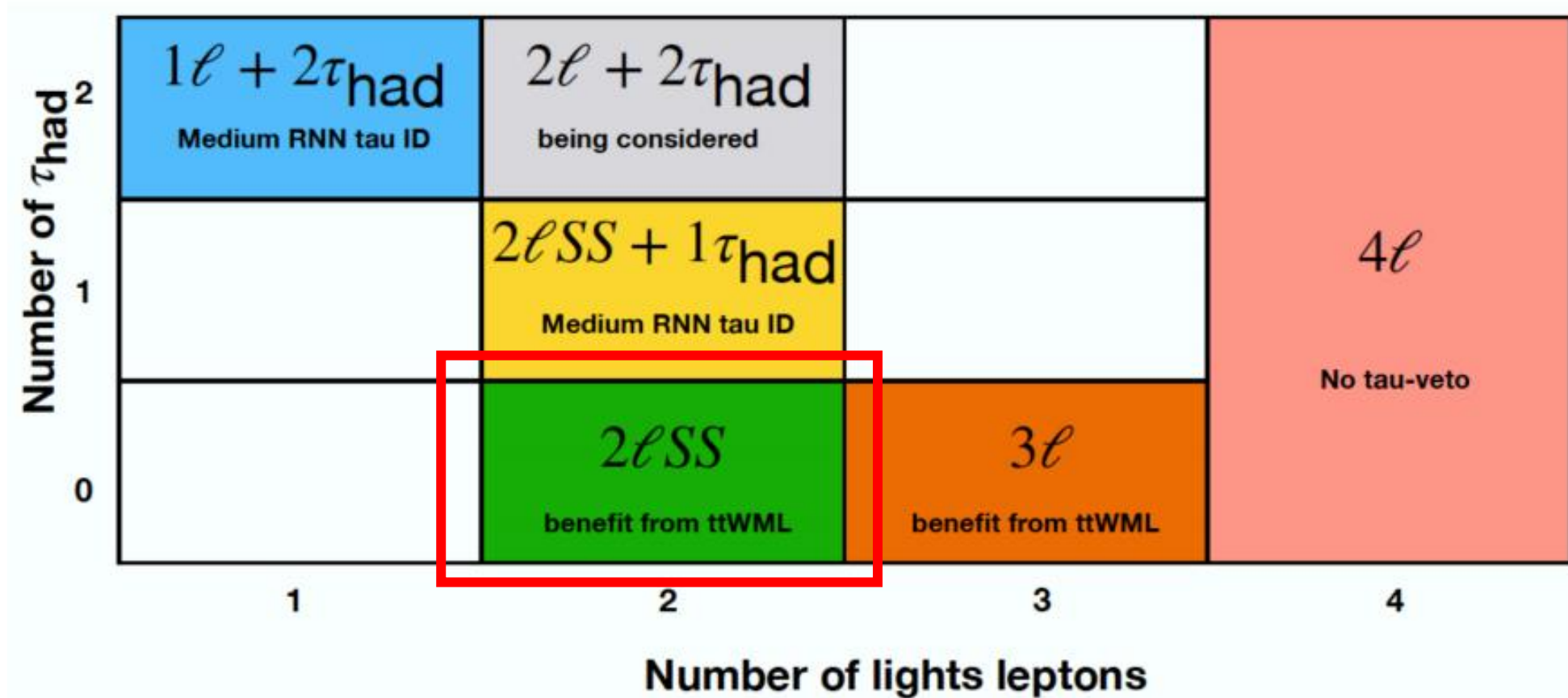
(a) LO $t\bar{t}W$ production



(b) NLO $t\bar{t}W$ production

$t\bar{t}W$ process

Legacy Run 2 ttHML



- **$2\text{LOS}+1\tau_{\text{had}}$ also shows good sensitivity ($\sim 1.5\sigma$)**
 - ✓ More tests are still ongoing to determine whether adding this channel

MC sample

- **Latest samples used:**
 - ✓ Powheg+Py8 for ttH signal
 - ✓ Sherpa for ttW
 - ✓ aMC+Py8 for ttZ
- **Standard alternative samples used for systematics**

Process	Generator	ME order	Parton shower	PDF	Tune
$t\bar{t}H$	POWHEG-BOX (POWHEG-BOX) (MG5_aMC)	NLO (NLO) (NLO)	PYTHIA 8 (HERWIG7.0.4) (PYTHIA 8)	NNPDF3.0NLO (NNPDF3.0NLO) (NNPDF3.0NLO)	A14 (H7-UE-MMHT) (A14)
$t\bar{t}W$	SHERPA 2.2.10 (MG5_aMC) (POWHEG) (POWHEG)	MePs@NLO (FxFx NLO) (NLO) (NLO)	SHERPA (PYTHIA 8) (PYTHIA 8) (HERWIG 7)	NNPDF3.0NNLO (NNPDF3.0NLO) (NNPDF3.0NLO) (NNPDF3.0NLO)	SHERPA default (A14) (A14) (H7-UE-MMHT)
$t\bar{t}W$ (EW)	SHERPA 2.2.10 (MG5_aMC)	LO (LO)	SHERPA (PYTHIA 8)	NNPDF3.0NNLO (NNPDF3.0NLO)	SHERPA default (A14)
$t\bar{t}\ell\ell$	MG5_aMC (MG5_aMC) (MG5_aMC)	NLO (NLO) (NLO)	PYTHIA 8 (HERWIG 7) (PYTHIA 8)	NNPDF3.0NLO (NNPDF3.0NLO) (NNPDF3.0NLO)	A14 (H7-UE-MMHT) (A14 Var3c)
$t\bar{t} \rightarrow W^+bW^-\bar{b}\ell^+\ell^-$	MG5_aMC	LO	PYTHIA 8	NNPDF3.0LO	A14
$t\bar{t}t\bar{t}$	MG5_aMC	NLO	PYTHIA 8	NNPDF3.1NLO	A14
$t\bar{t}$	POWHEG-BOX (POWHEG-BOX)	NLO (NLO)	PYTHIA 8 (HERWIG7.1.3)	NNPDF3.0NLO (NNPDF3.0NLO)	A14 (H7-UE-MMHT)
$t\bar{t}t$	MG5_aMC	LO	PYTHIA 8	NNPDF2.3LO	A14
Single top (t -, Wt -, s -channel)	POWHEG-Box	NLO	PYTHIA 8	NNPDF3.0NLO	A14
$VV, qqVV, VVV$	SHERPA 2.2.2(1)	MePs@NLO	SHERPA	NNPDF3.0NNLO	SHERPA default
$Z \rightarrow \ell^+\ell^-$	SHERPA 2.2.1	MePs@NLO	SHERPA	NNPDF3.0NNLO	SHERPA default
$Z \rightarrow \ell^+\ell^-(\gamma \rightarrow e^+e^-)$	POWHEG-BOX	NLO	PYTHIA 8	CTEQ6L1NLO	A14
$Z \rightarrow \ell^+\ell^-(\gamma^* \rightarrow e^+e^-)$	POWHEG-BOX	NLO	PYTHIA 8	CTEQ6L1NLO	A14

Objects selection

- **Triggers:**

Channel	2ℓ SS	3ℓ	4ℓ	2ℓ SS+ $1\tau_{\text{had}}$	$1\ell+2\tau_{\text{had}}$	$2\ell+2\tau_{\text{had}}$
Triggers	SL DL	SL DL	DL only	DL only	SL only	DL only

- **Loose light leptons: used for channels association**

- ✓ Loose (-LH) ID and FCLoose isolation for $\mu(e)$

- **Jets: PFlow collection w/ anti-kt R=0.4**

- **Flavour-tagging: DL1r b-tagger**

- **Overlap removal procedure used**

- **Tighter light leptons required within channels (except 4L)**

- ✓ Tighter ID and PLIV-based isolation

- **Additional cuts on electrons to reject those from conversion/QMisID**

- **Changes wrt ttW analysis**

- ✓ Use a looser b-tagging WP from [$=1b$ @60% || $\geq 2b$ @77%] to [$\geq 1b$ @85%]

- ✓ Relaxing pT cut of the 2LSS leptons in 3L regions: from 20 GeV to 15 GeV

Leptons selection

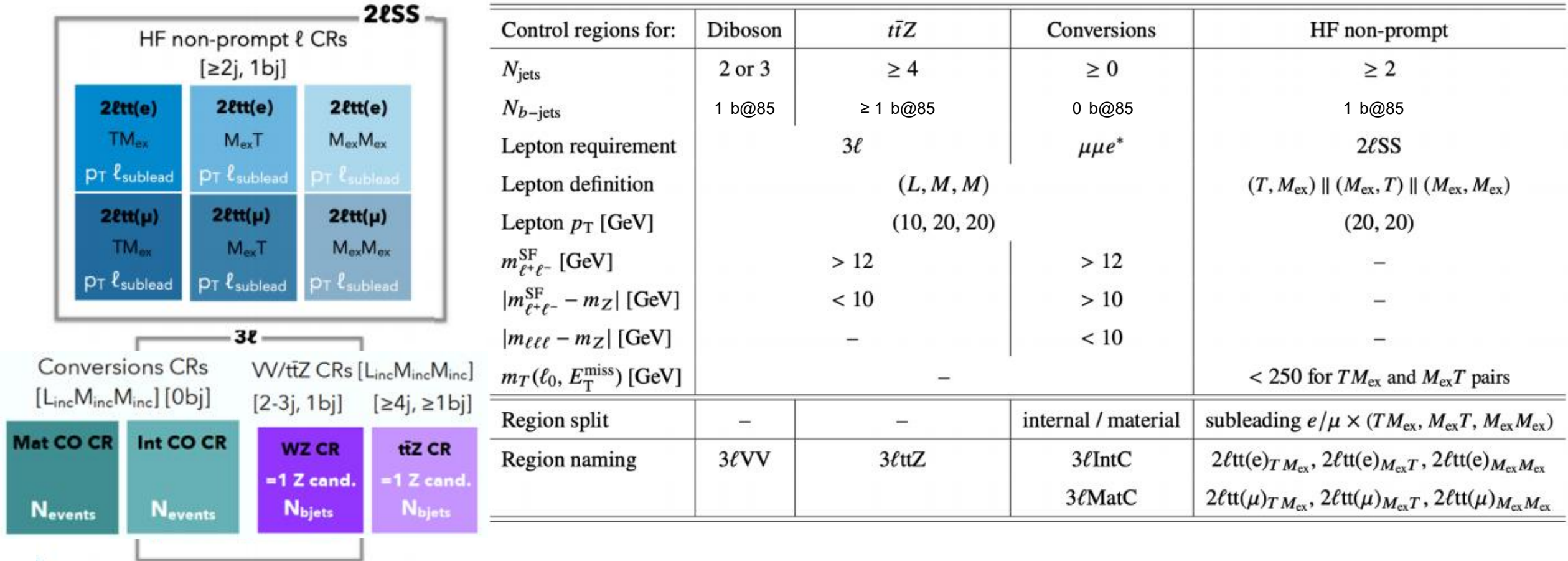
- Pseudo-continuous **P**rompt **L**epton **I**mproved **V**eto (**PLIV**) WPs definition:

	e				μ			
	L	M	M _{ex}	T	L	M	M _{ex}	T
LooseVar_Rad isolation	Yes				Yes			
Non-prompt lepton BDT (PLIV)	No	<i>Tight</i>	<i>Tight-not-VeryTight</i>	<i>VeryTight</i>	No	<i>Tight</i>	<i>Tight-not-VeryTight</i>	<i>VeryTight</i>
Identification	Loose	Tight			Loose	Medium		
Charge mis-assignment veto (ECIDS)	No	Yes			N/A			
Conversion rejection	No	Yes			N/A			
Transverse impact parameter significance $ d_0 /\sigma_{d_0}$	< 5				< 3			
Longitudinal impact parameter $ z_0 \sin \theta $	$< 0.5 \text{ mm}$							

Table 5: Loose (L), Medium (M), Medium exclusive (M_{ex}), and Tight (T) light lepton definitions.

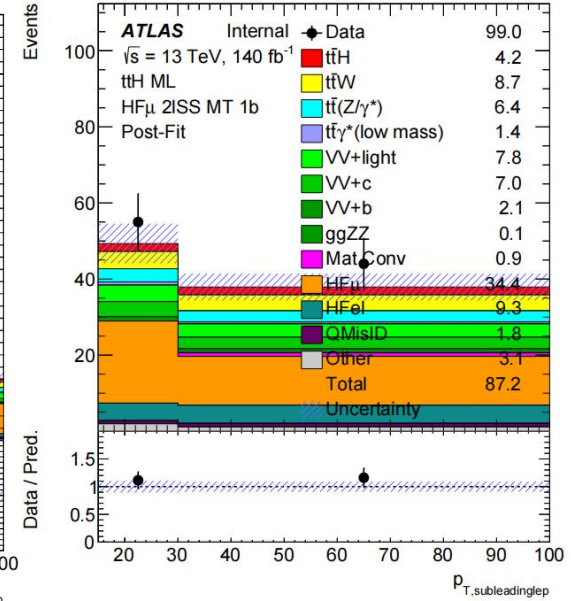
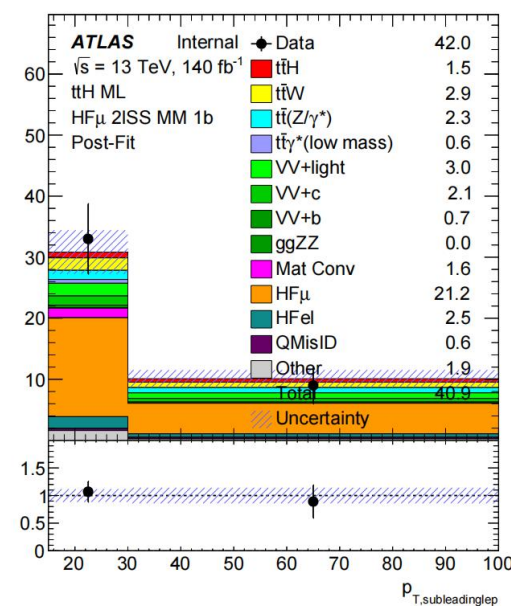
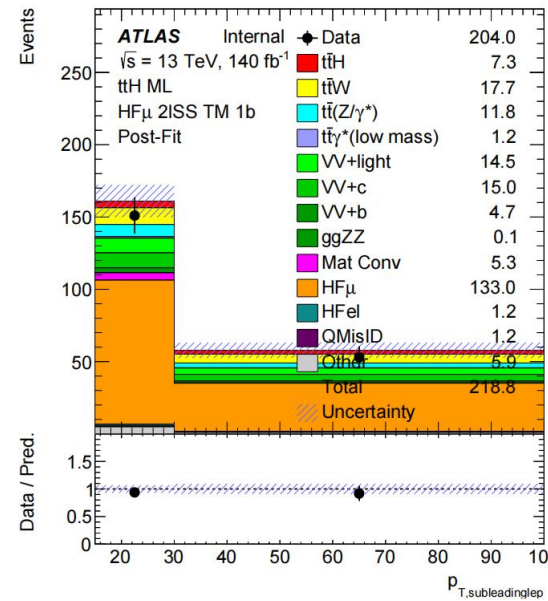
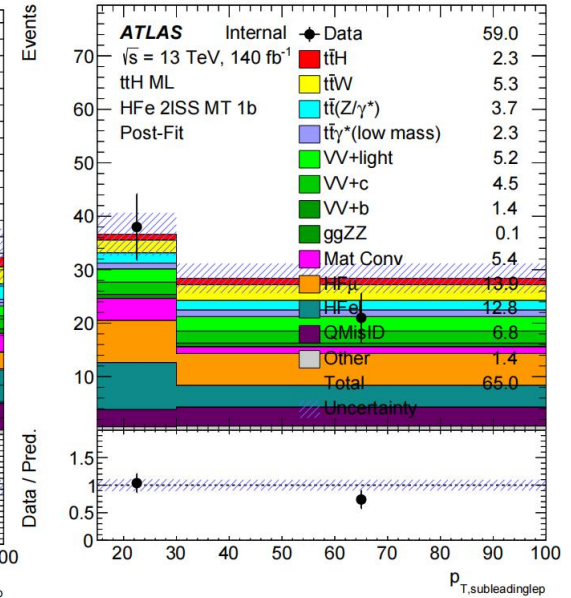
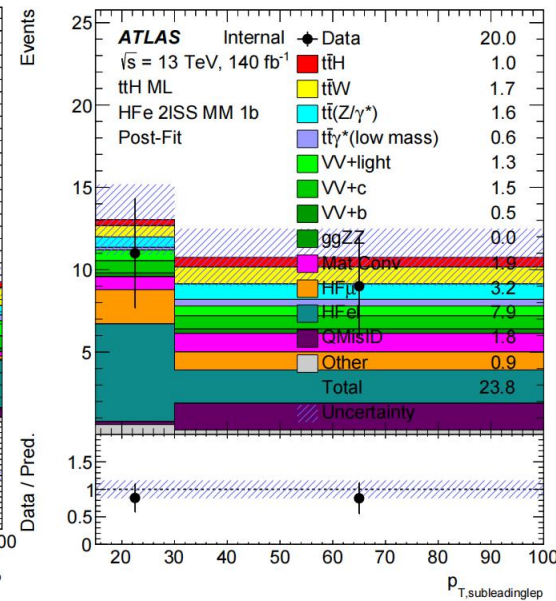
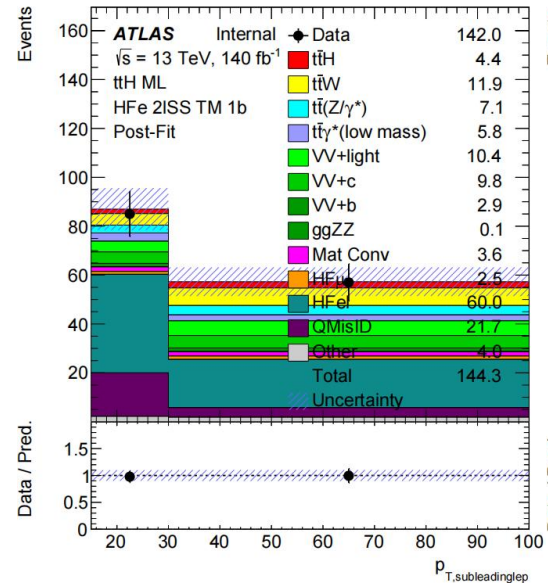
Main backgrounds estimation in 0tau

- Background estimate through “Template fit”



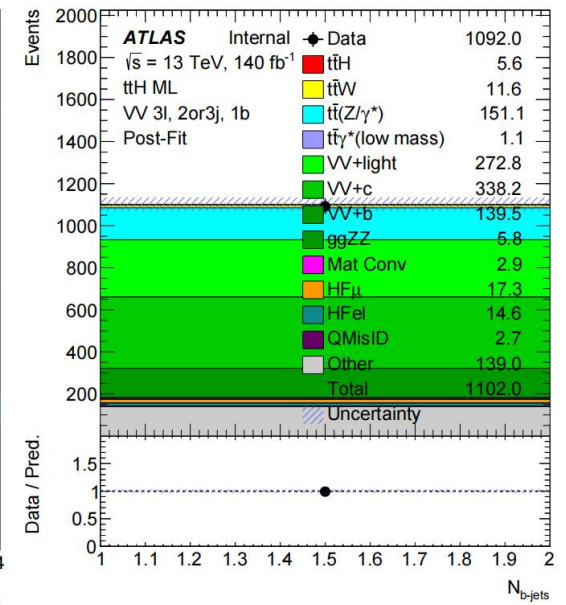
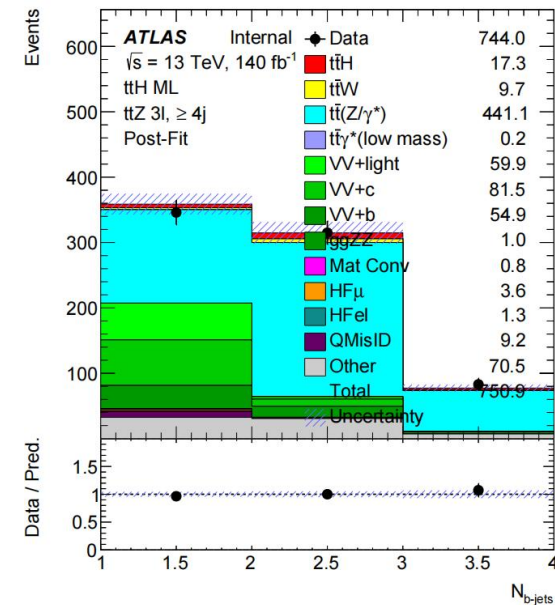
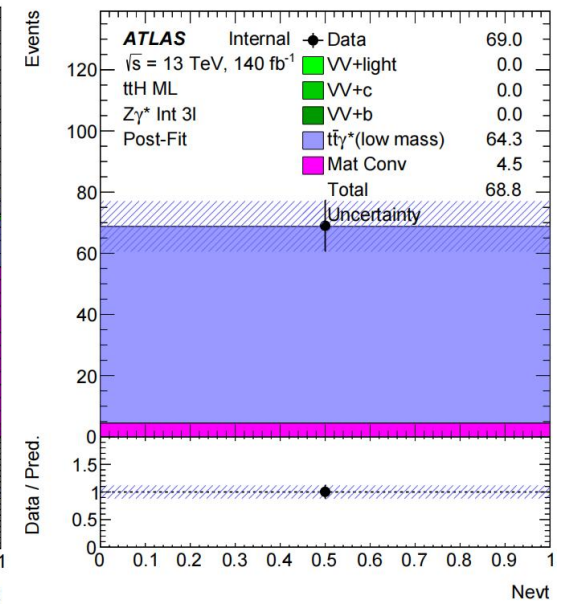
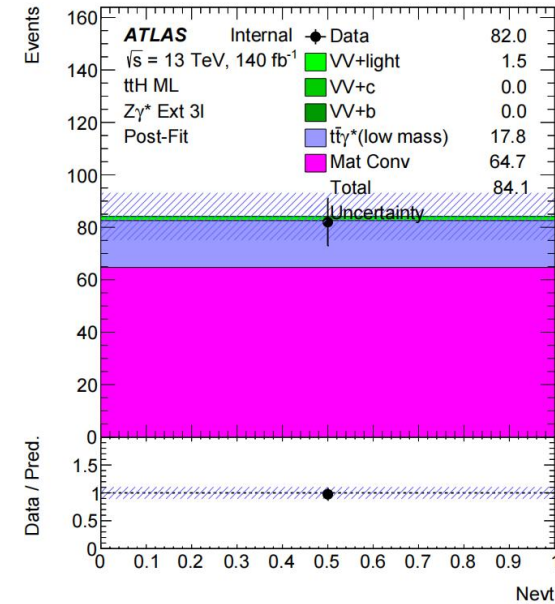
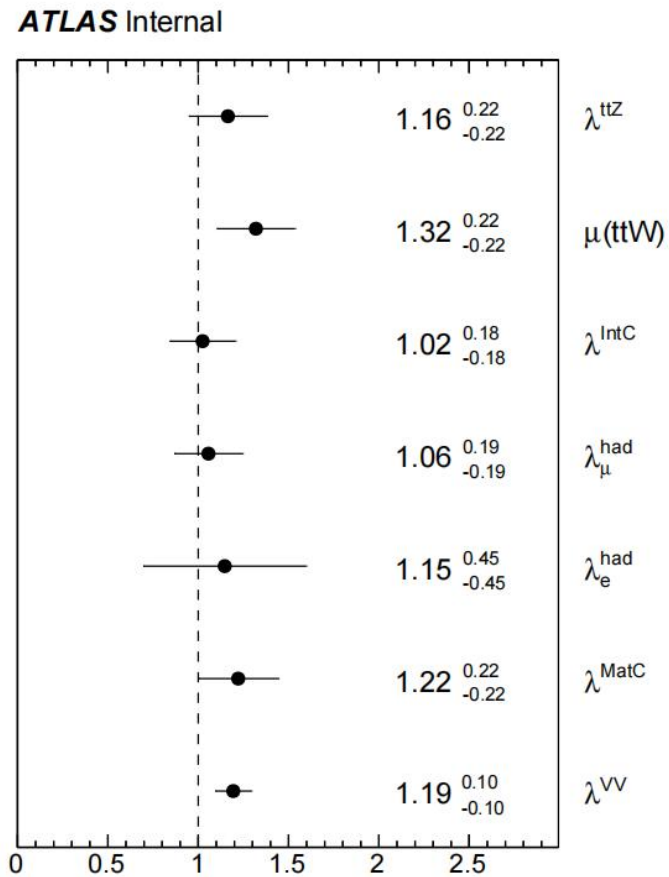
Main backgrounds estimation in 0tau

- Fake lepton regions
- Good modelling using pseudo-continuous PLIV WPs



Main backgrounds estimation in 0tau

- Good modelling in conversions, diboson and ttZ CRs
- CR-only results are shown

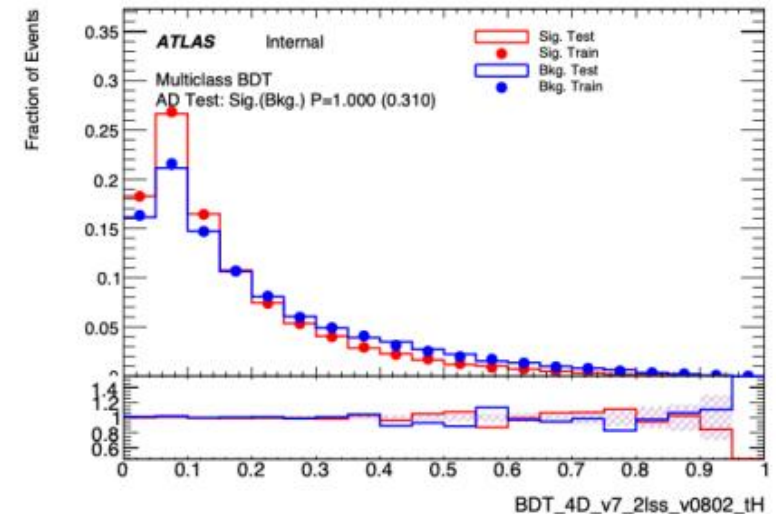
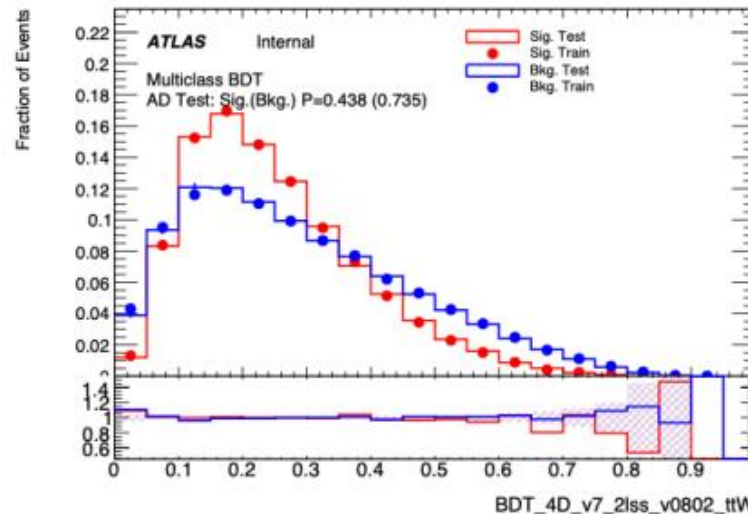
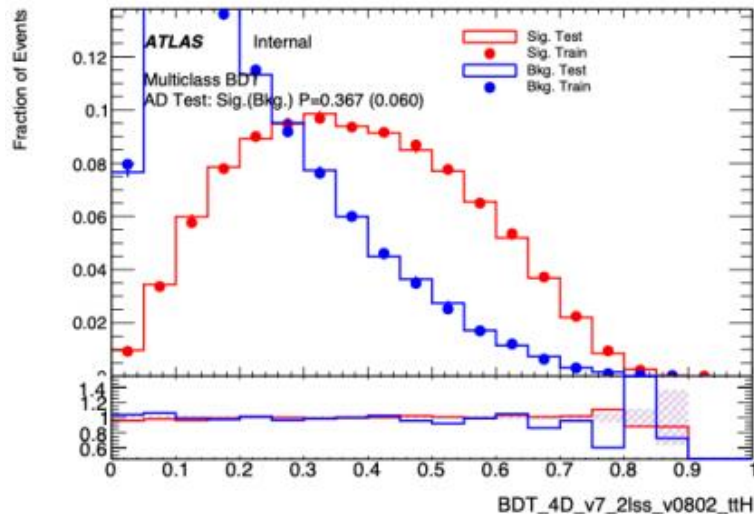
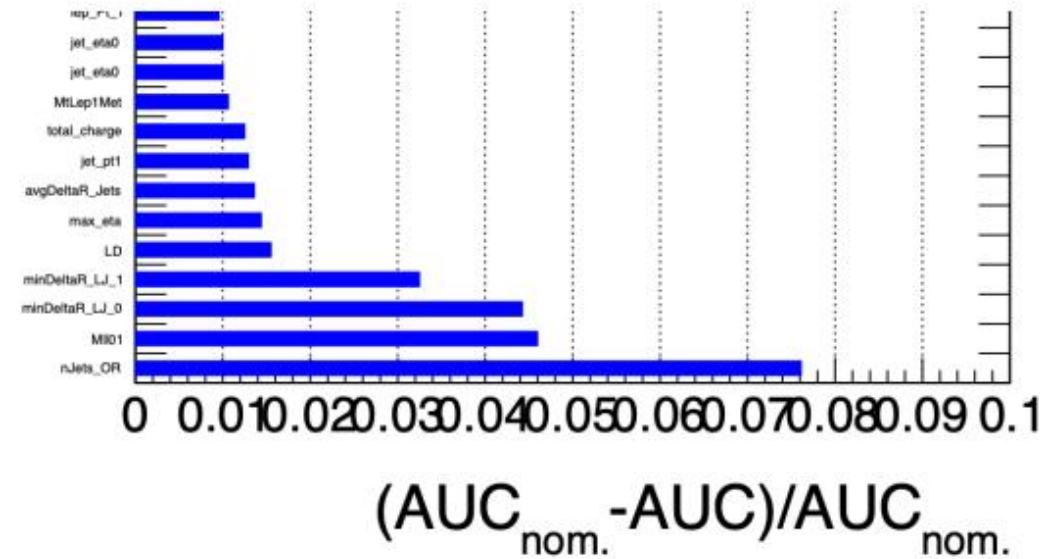


Signal region strategy

- **Define individual channel inclusive SRs**
 - ✓ Determine sensitivity and understand CRs and fit
 - ✓ Compare to results in 80 fb⁻¹ analysis
- **2LSS0tau pre-selection for MVA**
 - ✓ ==2 SS VeryTight PLIV leptons with $p_T > 15$ GeV
 - ✓ No $\tau(\text{had})$ candidates in the event
 - ✓ ≥ 3 jets, of which ≥ 1 must be b-tagged with 85% WP

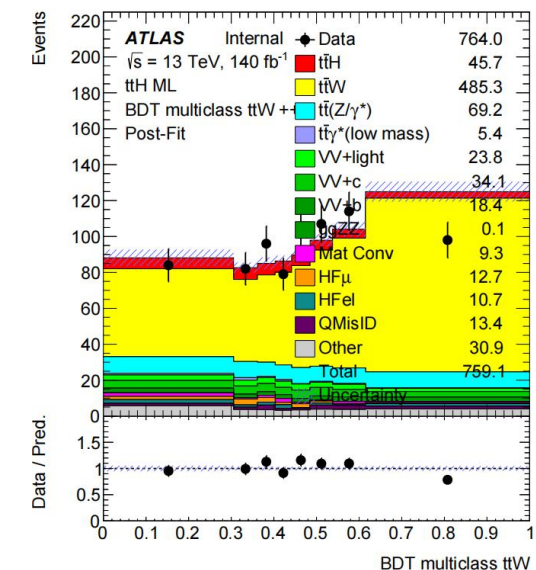
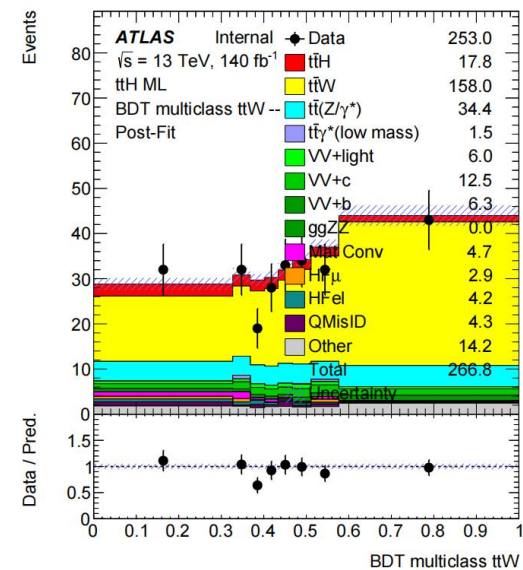
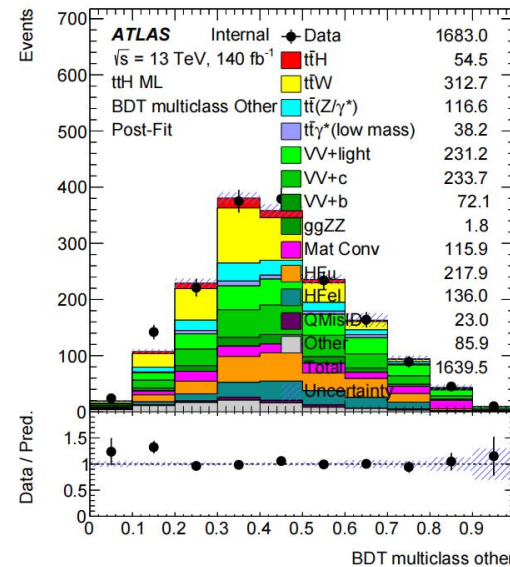
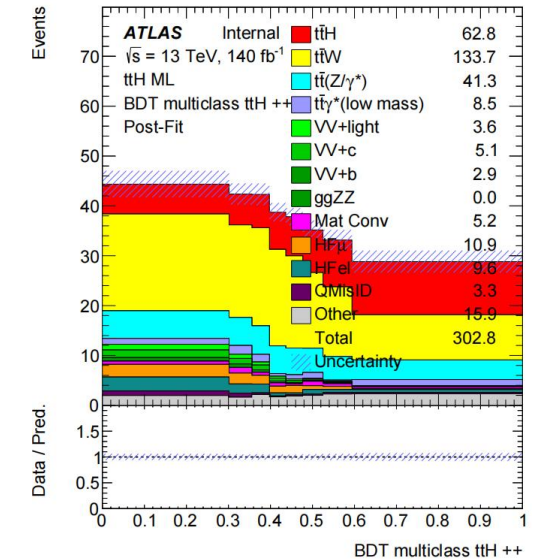
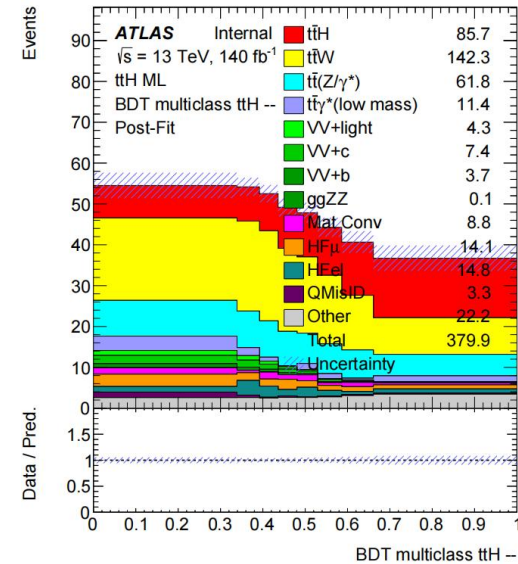
2LSS0tau MVA

- 4D multiclass BDT is employed
 - ✓ Trained using [mva-trainer](#)
 - ✓ 20 input variables
 - ✓ 4 output nodes: ttH, tH, ttW and Other
- NJets, m(l), and dR(l, jet) among most important inputs



2LSS0tau SR/CR

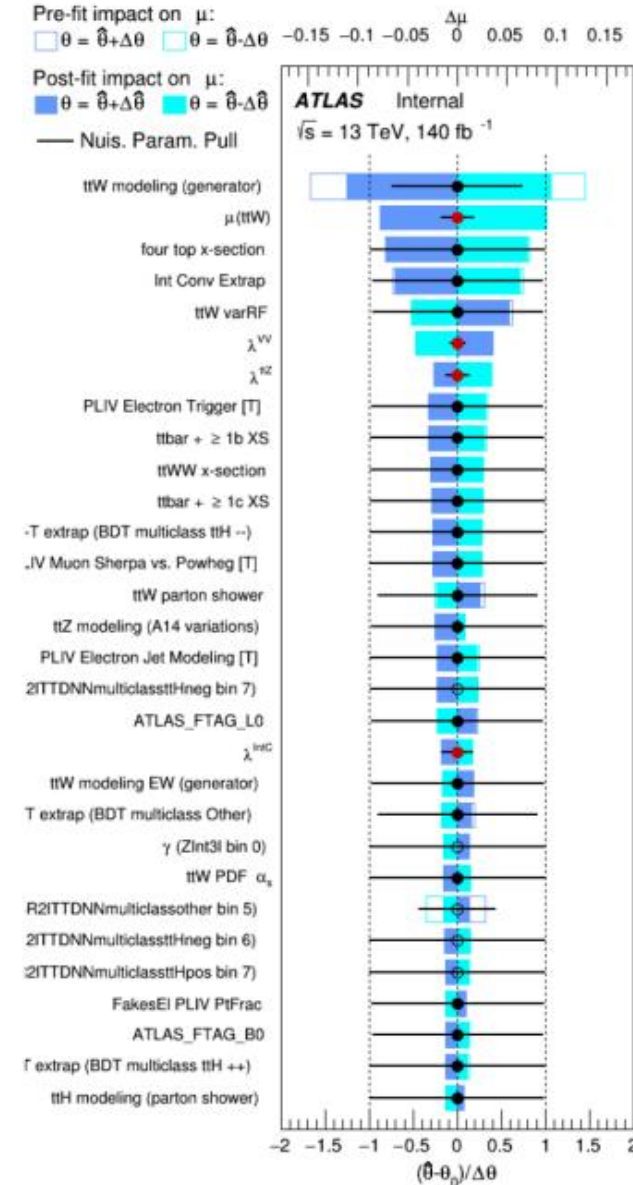
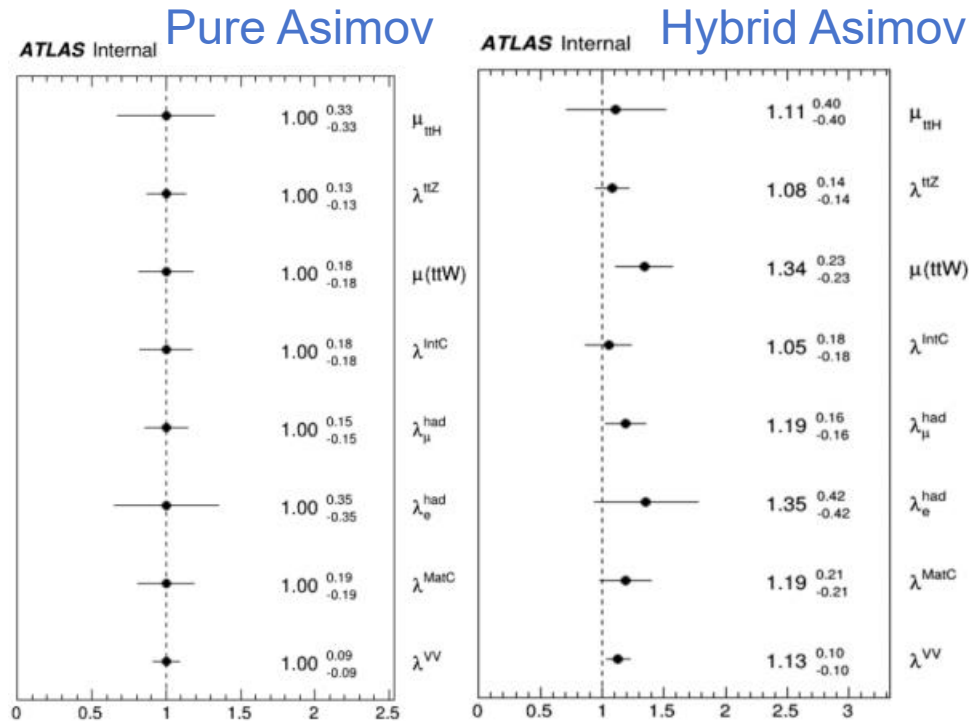
- Standalone channel results
- Each event goes into which region depends on its largest BDT score
 - ✓ tH node score is ignored
 - ✓ ttH SR: ttH > ttW && ttH > other
- ttH and ttW regions split by charge
- Generally good modelling seen in CRs
- SRs blinded



2LSS0tau Fit results

- Standalone channel results
- $\Delta\mu(\text{ttH})=0.33$, 3.12σ significance
✓ $80 \text{ fb}^{-1} = 2.3\sigma$ expected
- NFs compatible with unity except NF(ttW) similar to previous measurements
- Highest ranked uncertainties
 - ✓ ttW modelling
 - ✓ NF(ttW)
 - ✓ 4-tops XS (50%)

Hybrid Asimov: Real data in CRs and Asimov data in SRs



- **Combined fit correlations:**

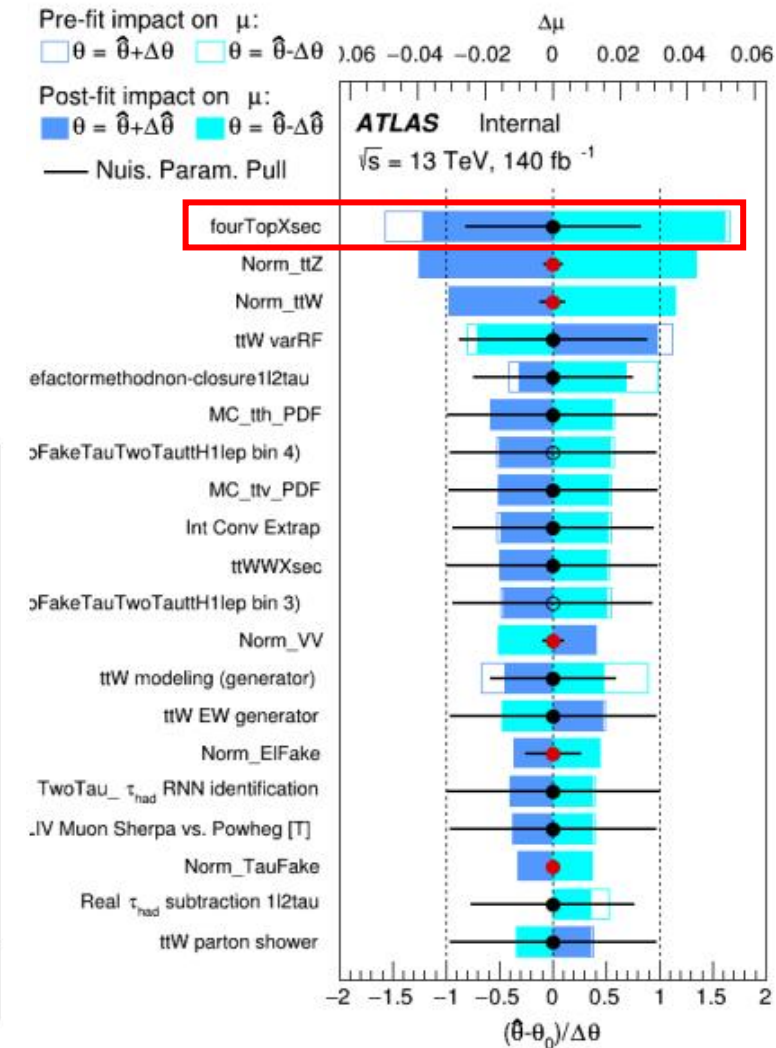
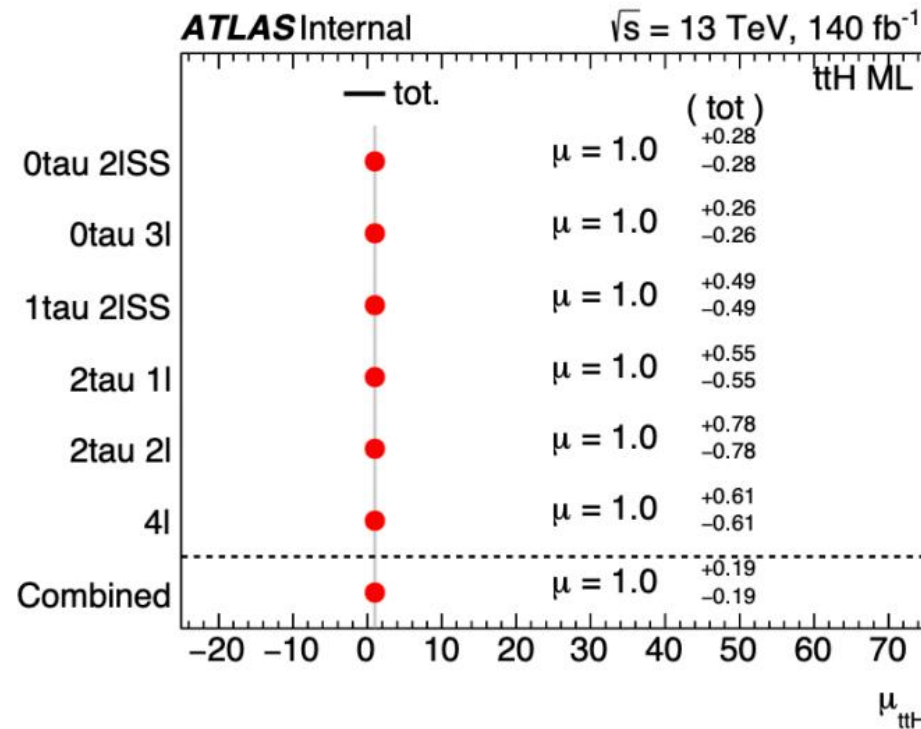
- μ_{ttH} : correlated through all channels
- μ_{ttZ} : correlated in 0τ , 1τ and $4l$ channels
- μ_{VV} : correlated in 0τ , 1τ and $4l$ channels
- μ_{ttW} : correlated in 0τ , 1τ
- Fake norm factors not correlated, as different fake estimation techniques and different fake lepton working points are used

- **Systematics**

- ✓ All included where they exist for a given channel
- ✓ Correlated when identical, otherwise uncorrelated

Combined fit

- $\Delta\mu(\text{ttH}) = \pm 0.19$ (significance is 5.7σ)
 - ✓ $80 \text{ fb}^{-1} = 3.1\sigma$ (expected)
- Both statistics and systematics have a large impact on the uncertainty
 - ✓ 12% statistics
 - ✓ 15% systematics
- 2LSS0tau and 3L0tau are most sensitive channels
 - ✓ 1Tau channel helps reduce correlation with $\mu(\text{ttW})$
- Preliminary ranking shows the largest uncertainties coming from $\sigma(\text{tttt})$, $\text{NF}(\text{ttZ})$ and $\text{NF}(\text{ttW})$



Summary

- **Significant sensitivity improvements since previous result**
- **Analysis strategy is frozen**
- **Some items still to be completed but these are well defined**
 - ✓ STXS measurement
 - ✓ Systematics correlation among all channels in the fit
 - ✓ CP measurement
 - ✓ ttH combination

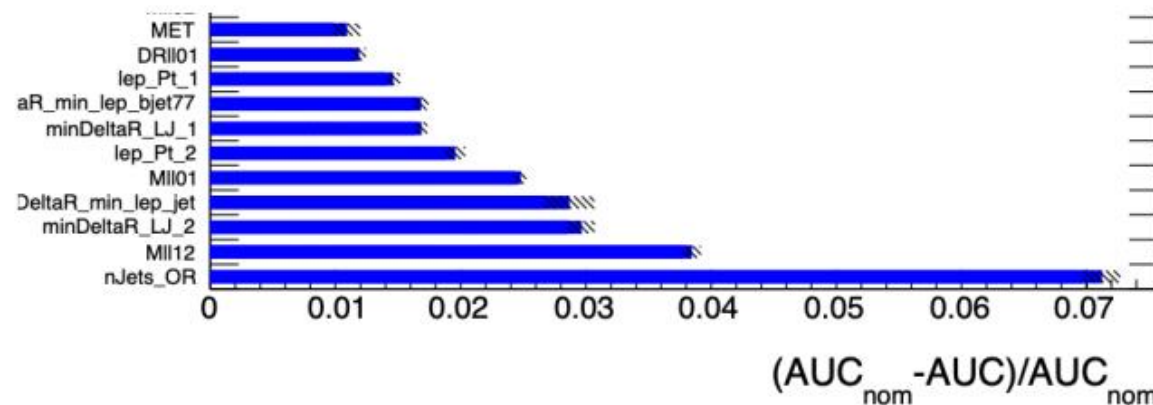
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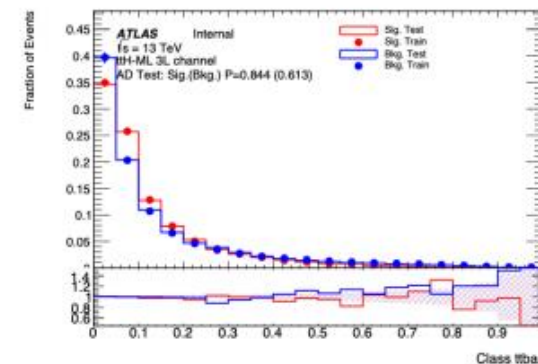
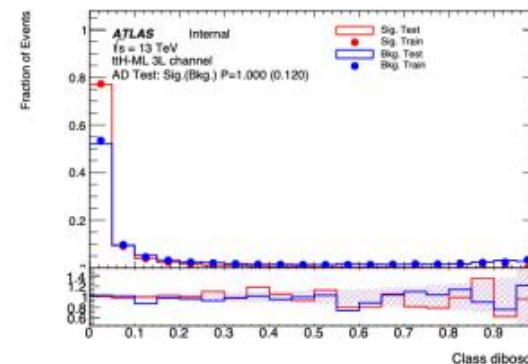
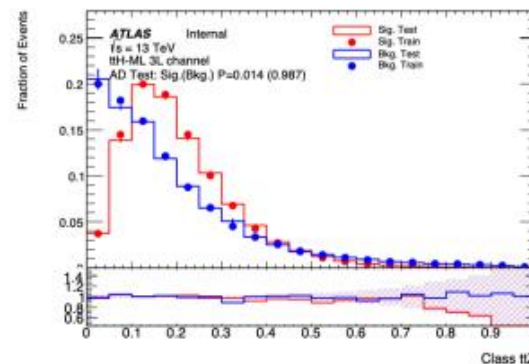
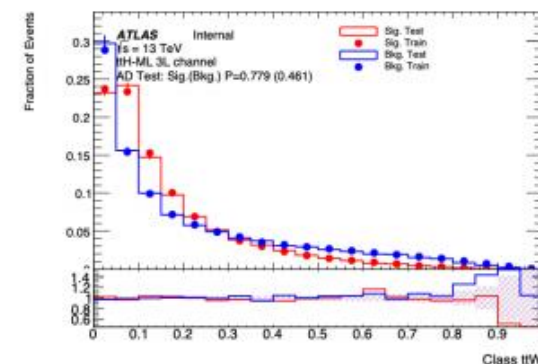
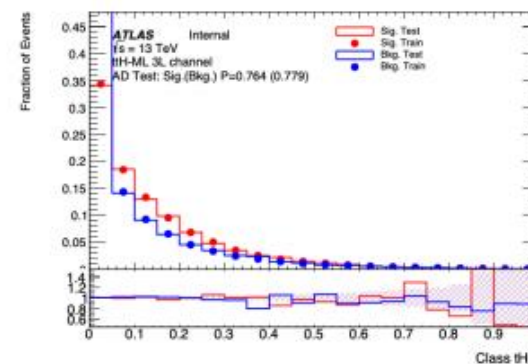
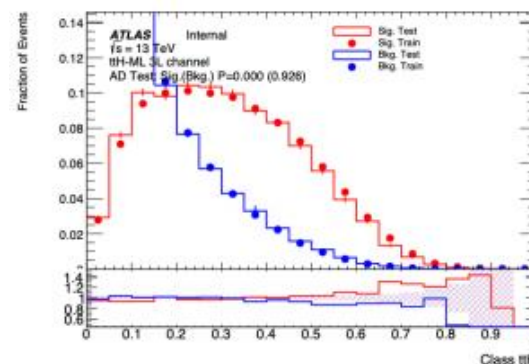
3L0tau MVA

- 6D multiclass BDT is employed

- ✓ Trained using mva-trainer
- ✓ 16 input variables
- ✓ 6 output nodes: ttH, tH, ttW, ttZ, VV & ttbar

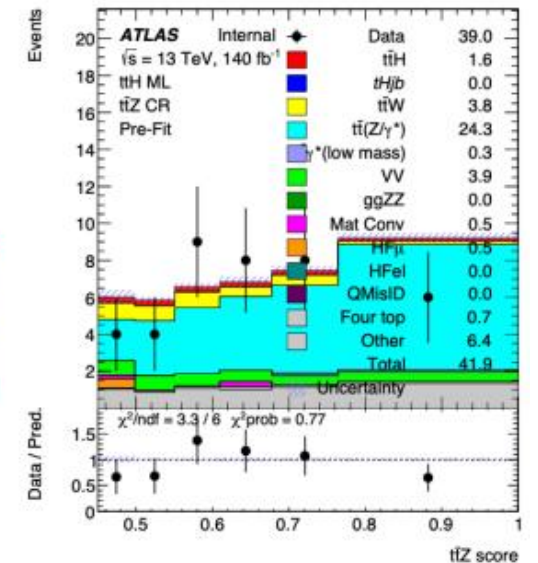
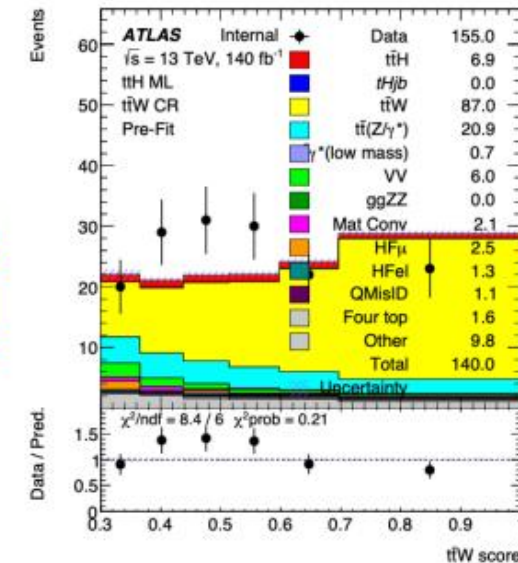
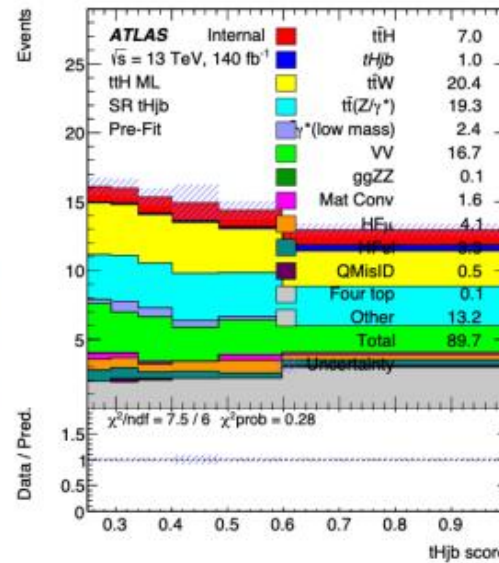
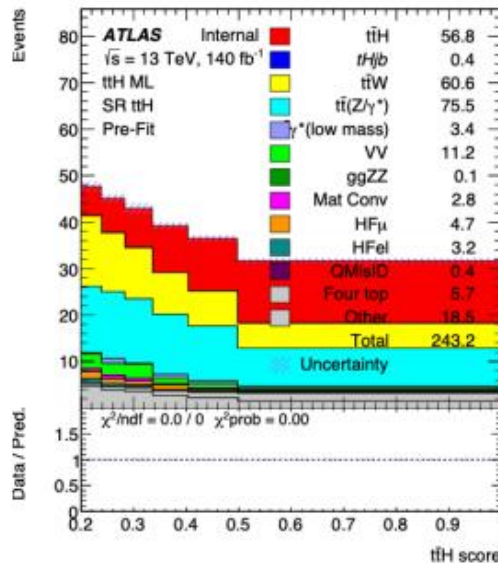
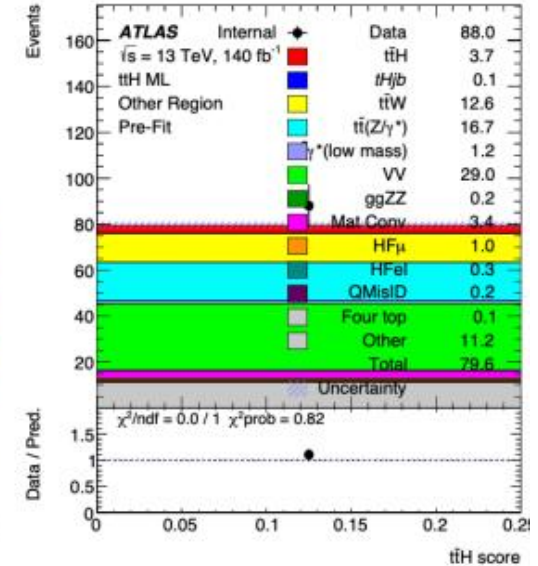
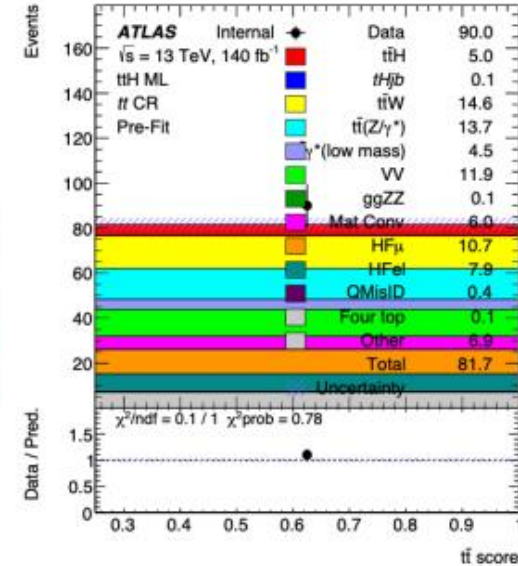
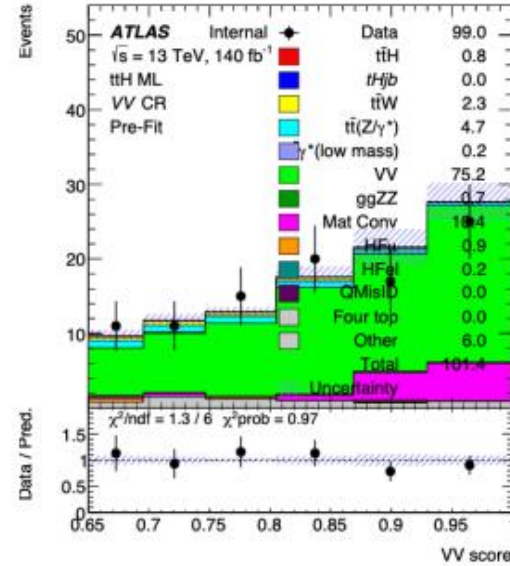


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3L0tau SR/CR

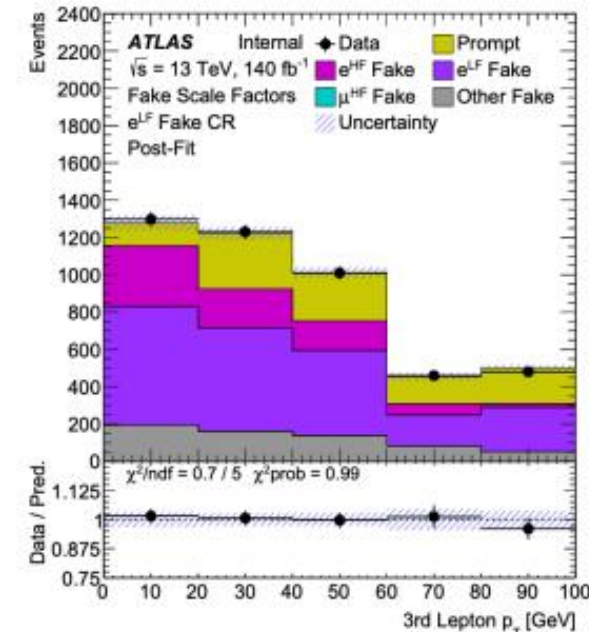
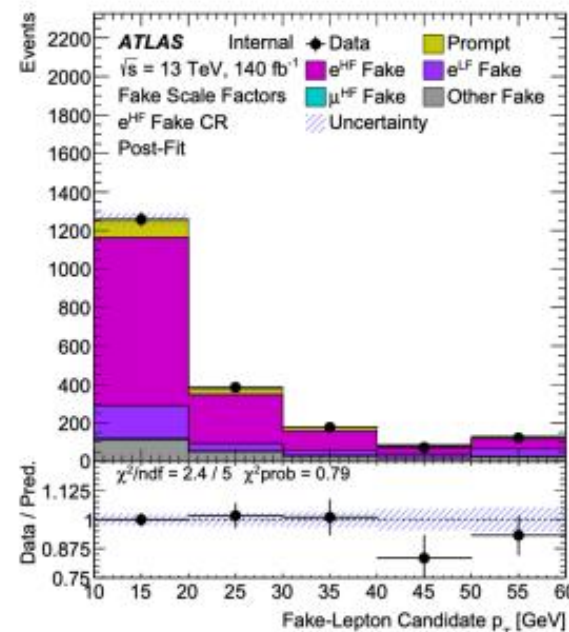
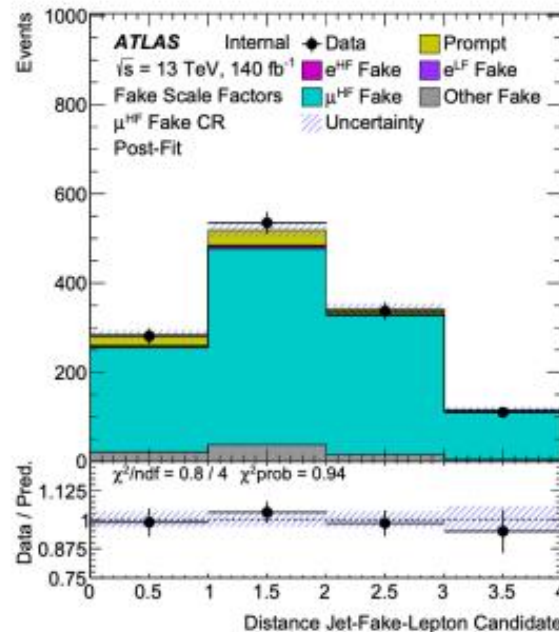
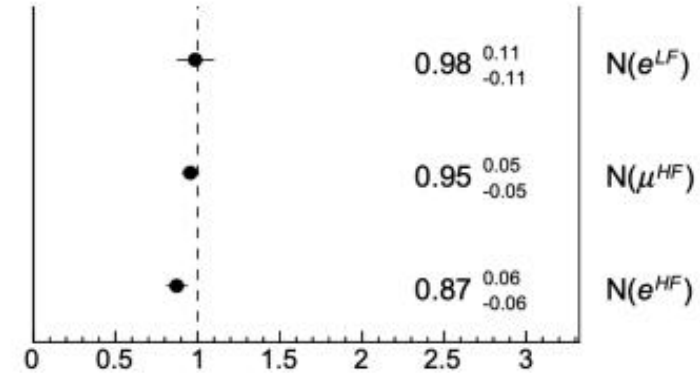
- Pre-fit modelling generally good in CRs
- Uncertainty band does not yet systematics





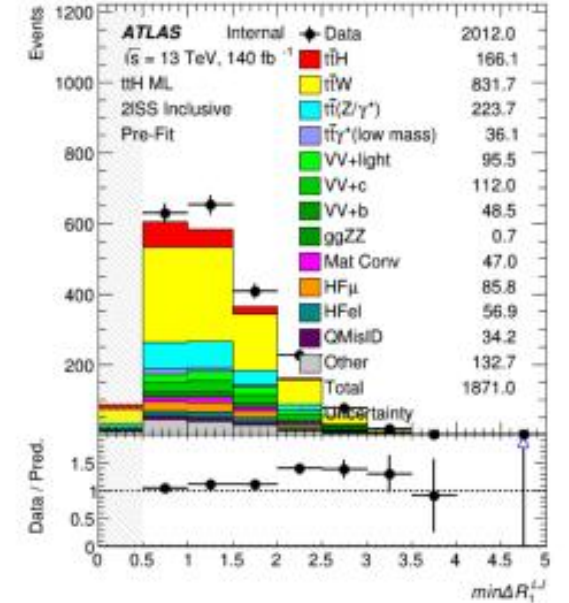
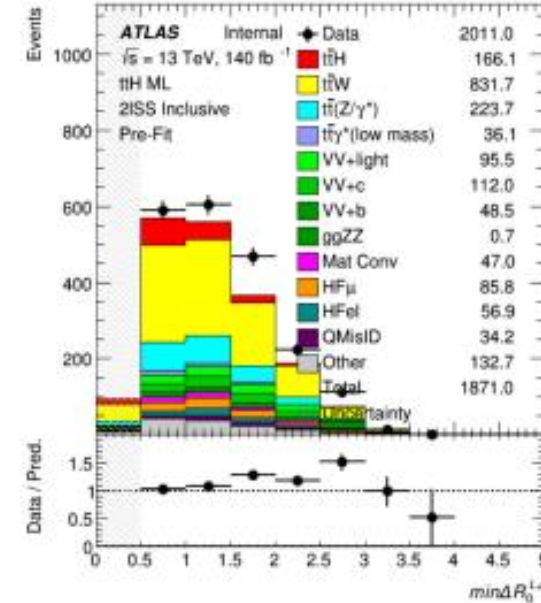
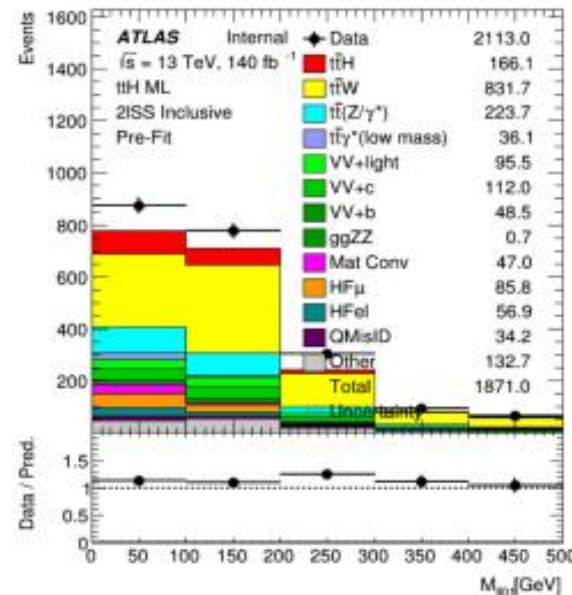
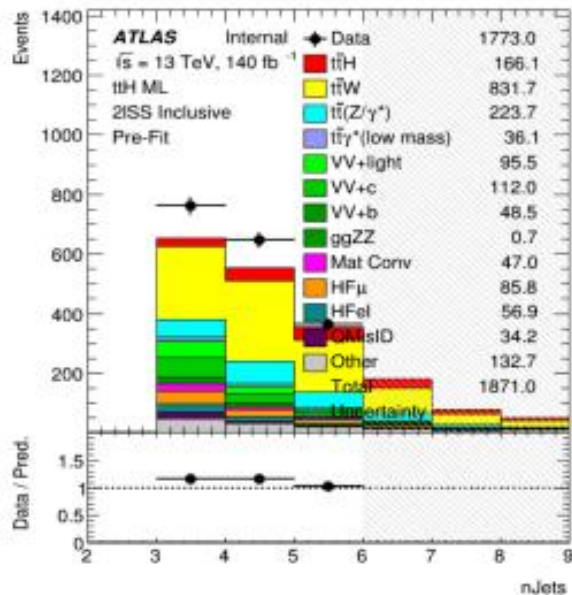
Extended template fit - 4L

- ▶ Identical philosophy to standard template fit
- ▶ But modified to looser lepton definitions and adding dedicated light flavour electron region
- ▶ Classification by highest p_T lepton in event



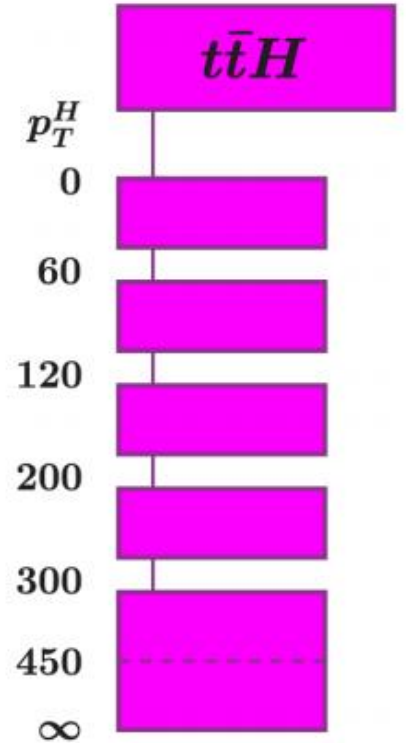
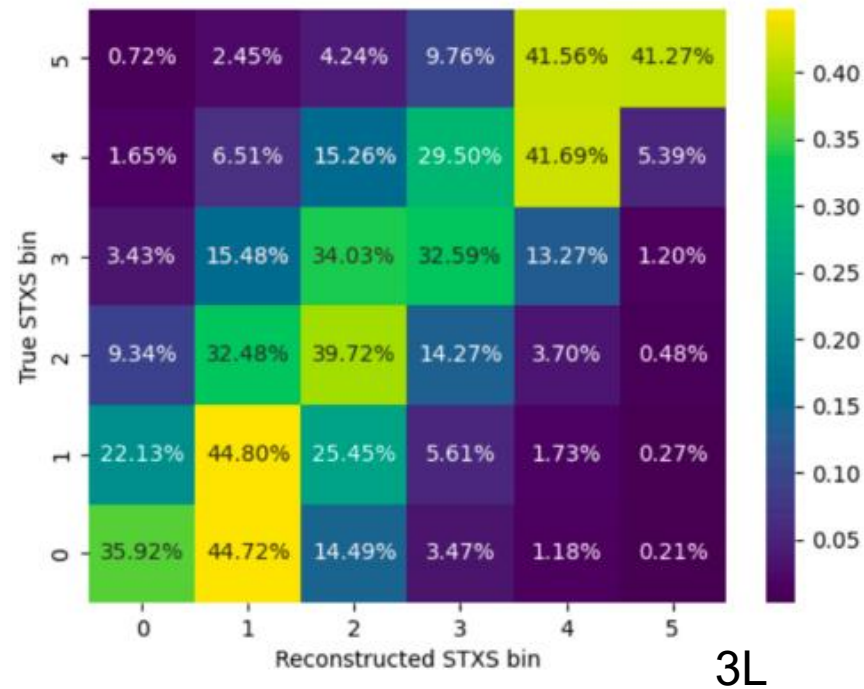
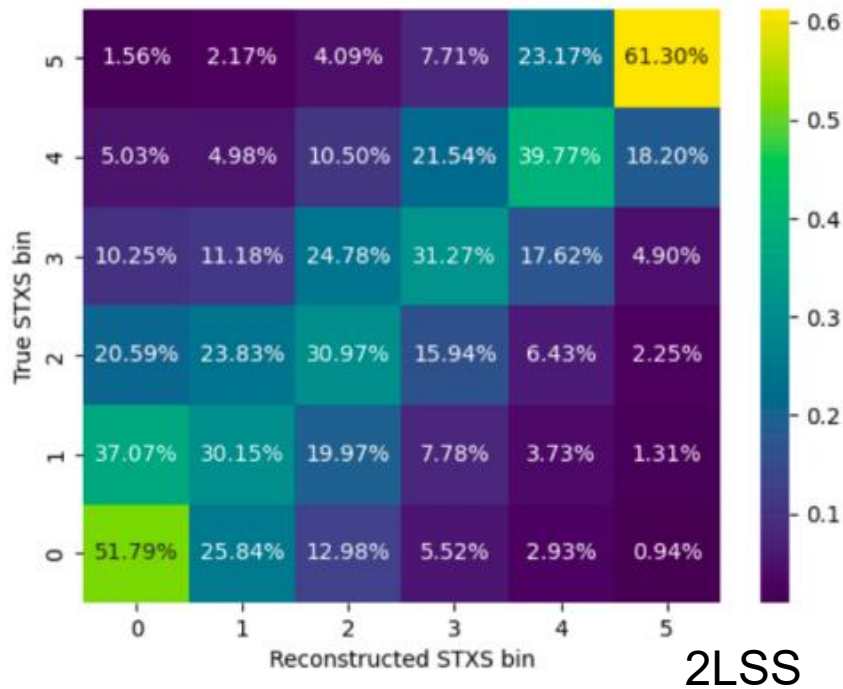
2LSS0tau

- **Modelling of input variables is checked**
 - ✓ Pre-fit normalisation off-set, this is expected to be fixed with ttW NF post-fit
- **Otherwise modelling is generally very good**



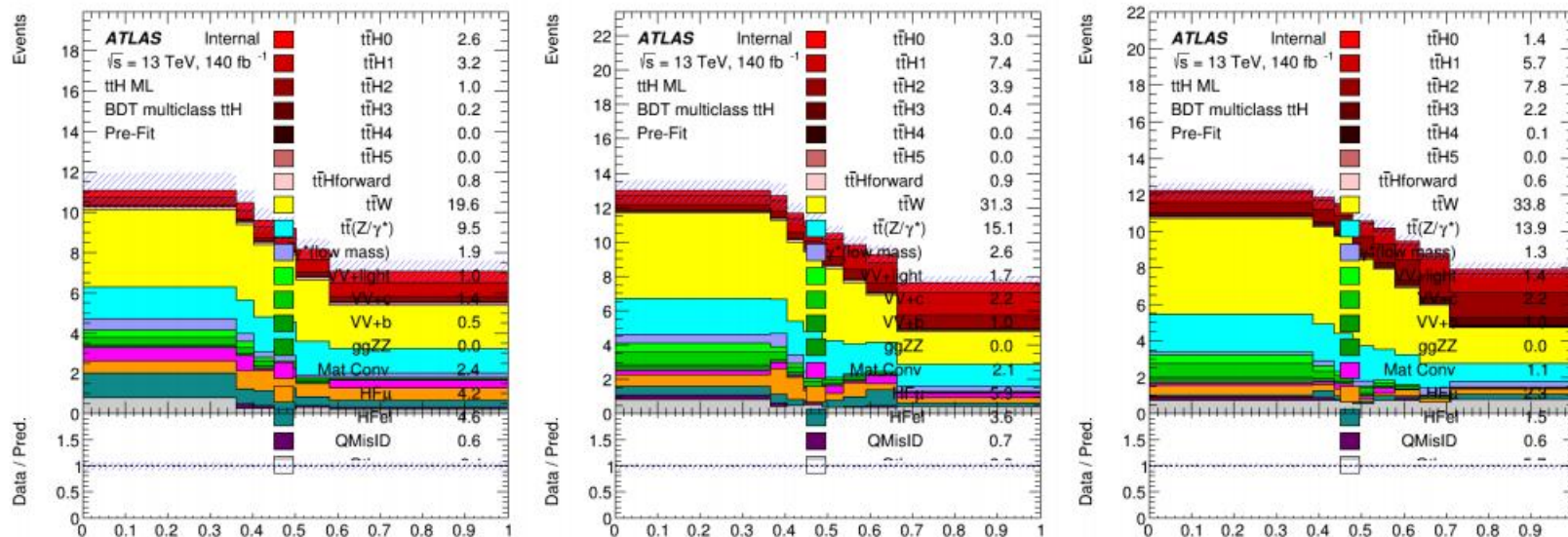
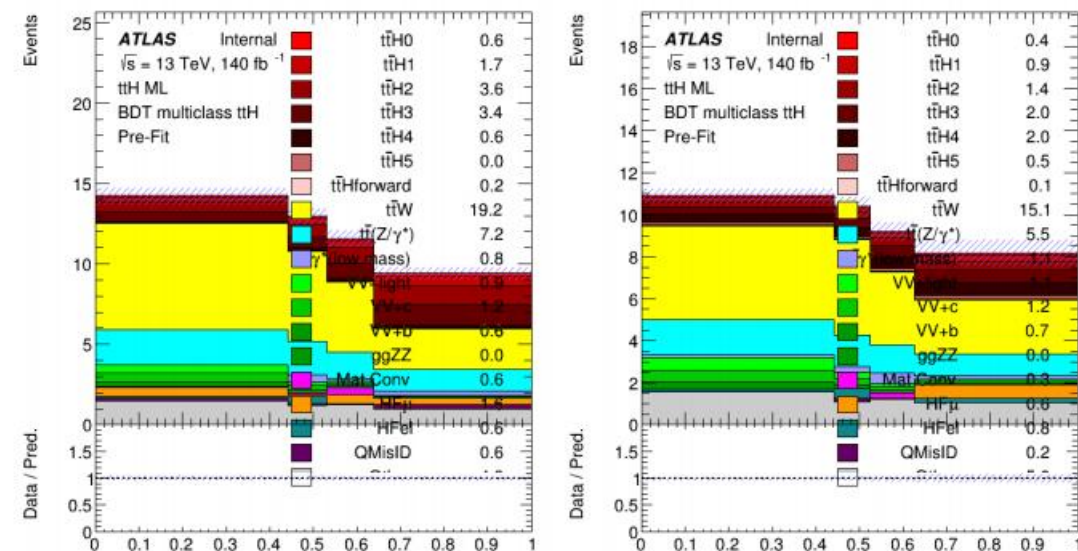
STXS | GNN

- **STXS interpretation is new for this round**
 - ✓ Used in 2LSS0tau and 3L0tau
- **Full Higgs reconstruction not possible in ML final state**
- **Using GNN for $p_T(H)$ reconstruction**
 - ✓ Trained for true STXS bin as a global attribute



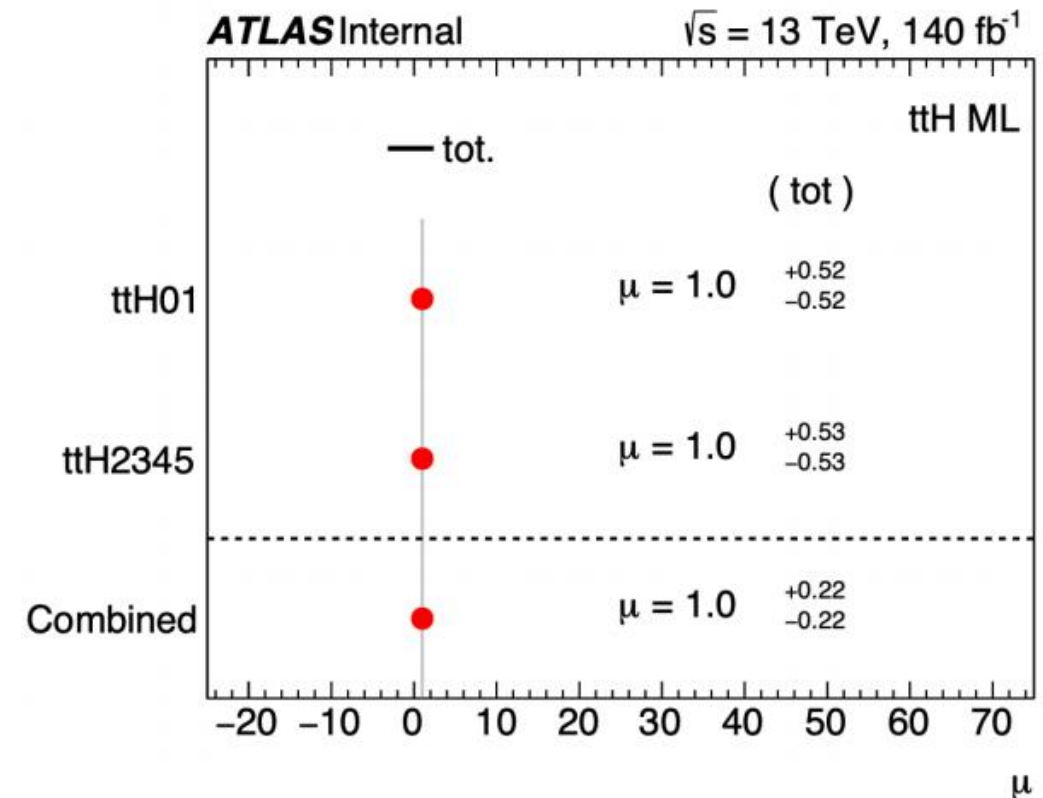
STXS | 2LSS0tau negative SR

- **Several optimisations tried**
 - ✓ Conservative vs aggressive binning
 - ✓ Different combinations of STXS bins
- **Decided to go with**
 - ✓ 5 reco bins (merging two highest bins)
 - ✓ More aggressive BDT binning
 - ✓ Fitting two STXS bins for ttHML alone
 - All 6 STXS bins in ttH combination



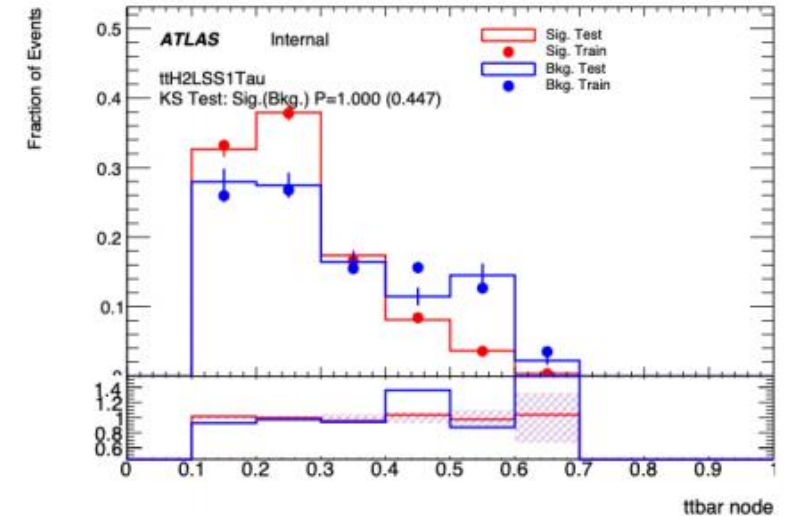
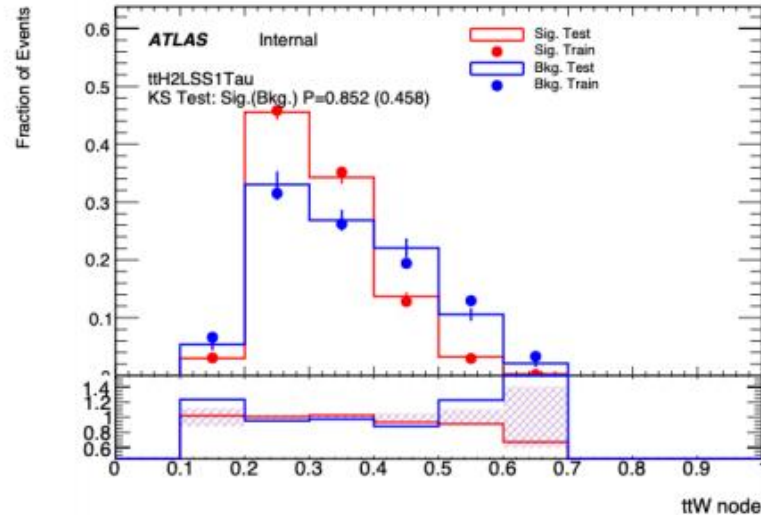
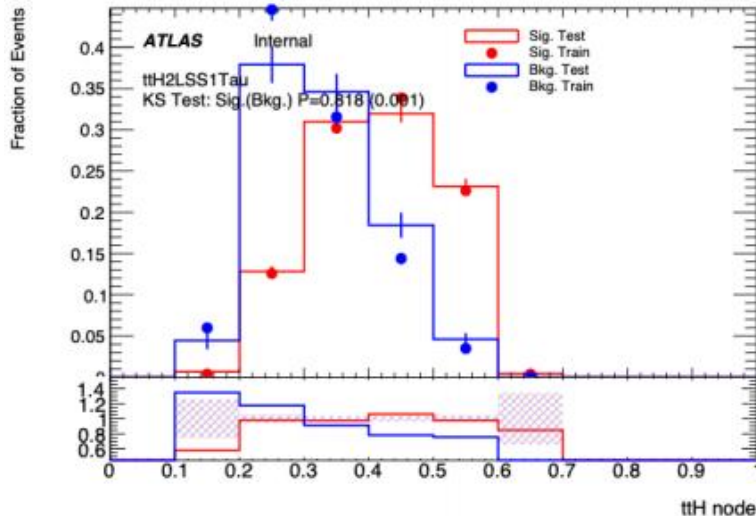
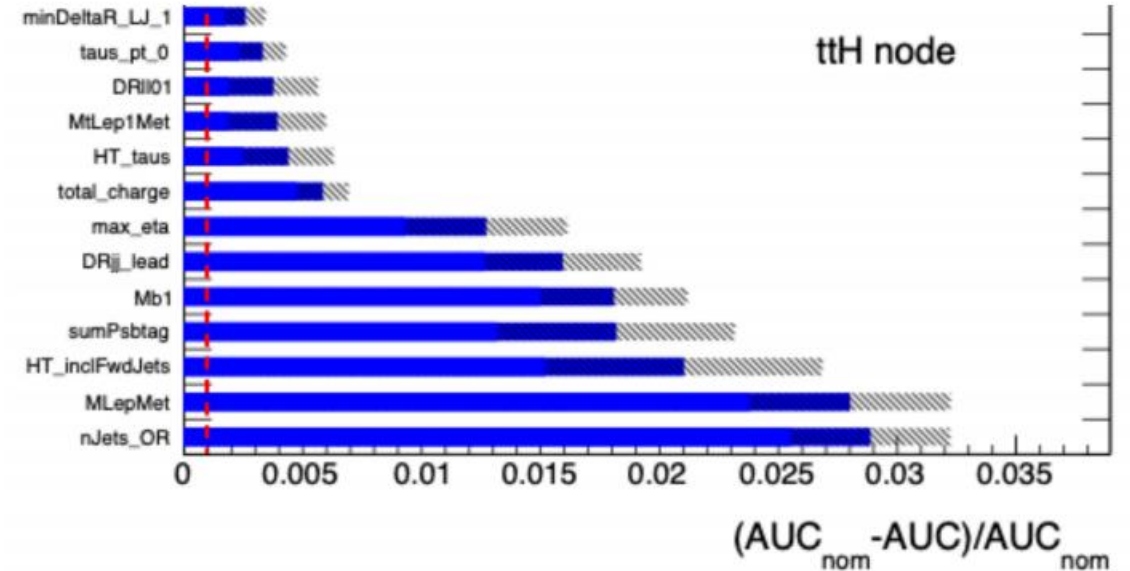
STXS | Results

- Results in ~50% uncertainty on combined bins
- ~50% correlation between signal strengths
- Combined fit is compatible with previously shown inclusive fit
 - ✓ Will use STXS binning for inclusive fit from now on.
- Planning to also include 2tau channels in STXS fit
 - ✓ Studies ongoing



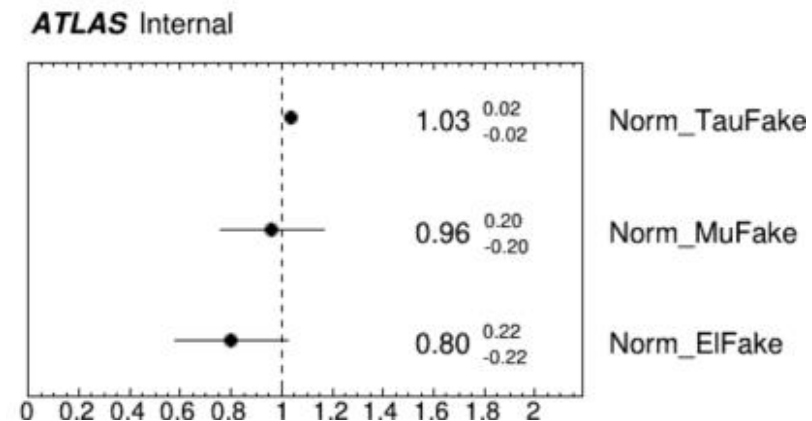
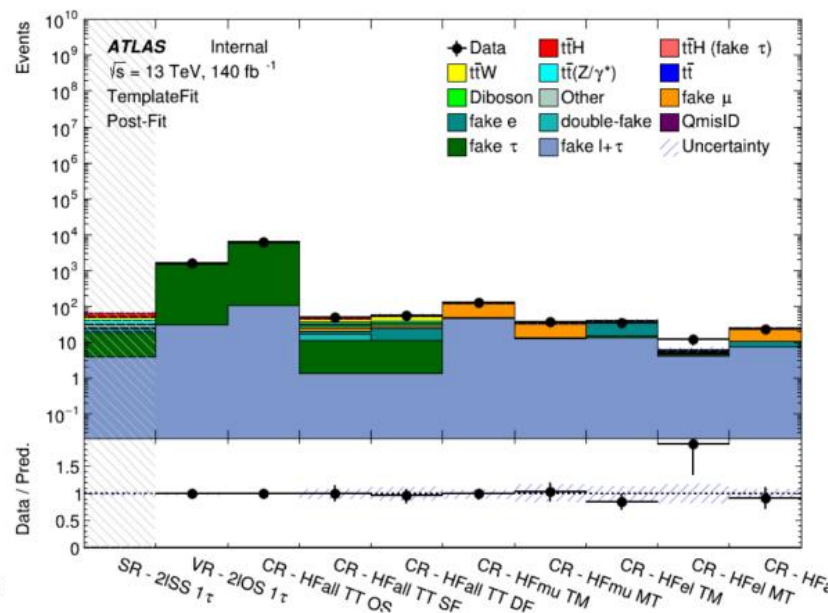
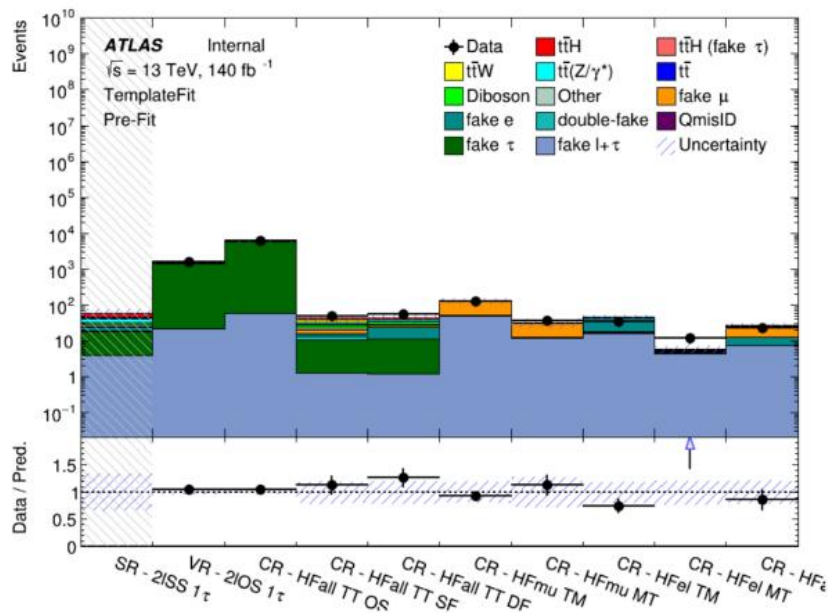
2LSS1tau MVA

- 3D multiclass BDT is employed
 - ✓ Trained using [mva-trainer](#)
 - ✓ 17 input variables
 - ✓ 3 output nodes: ttH, ttW and tt
- nJets, MLepMet, HT



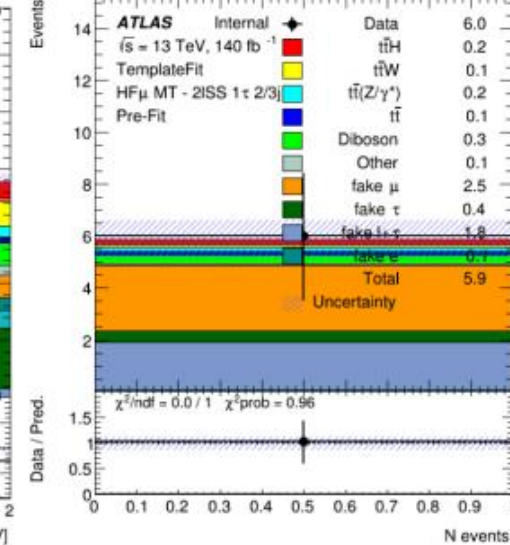
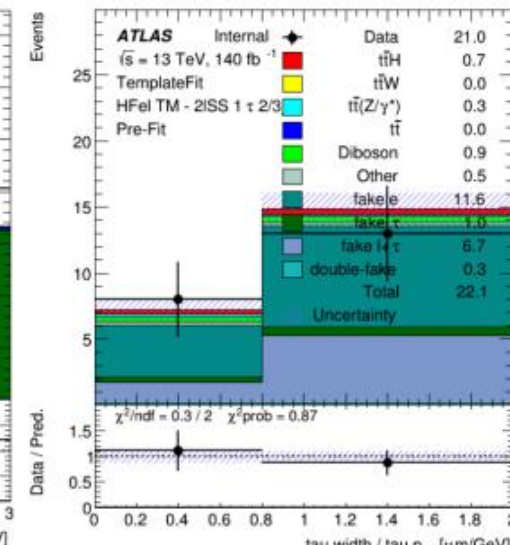
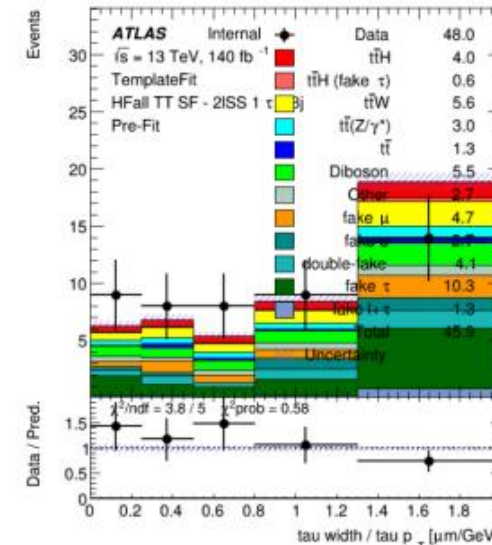
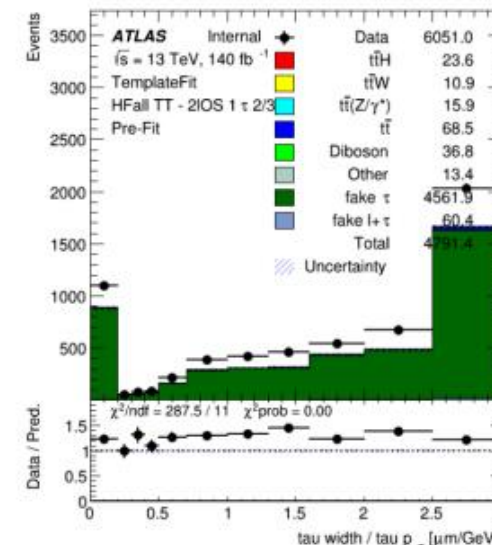
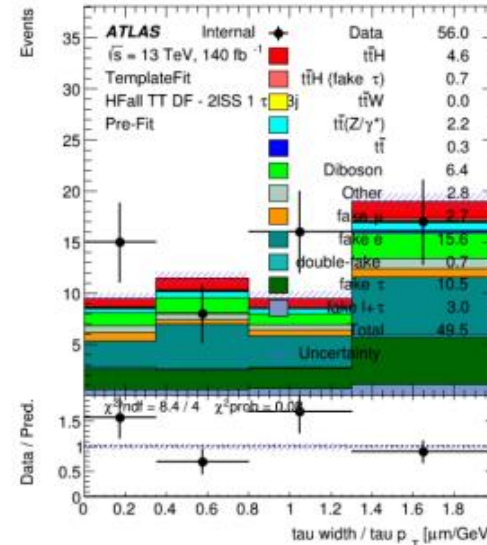
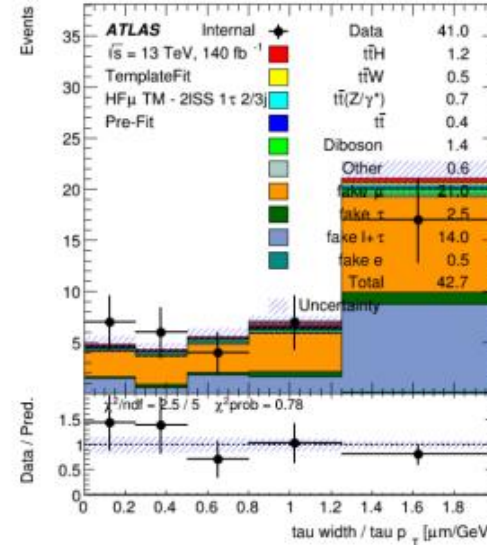
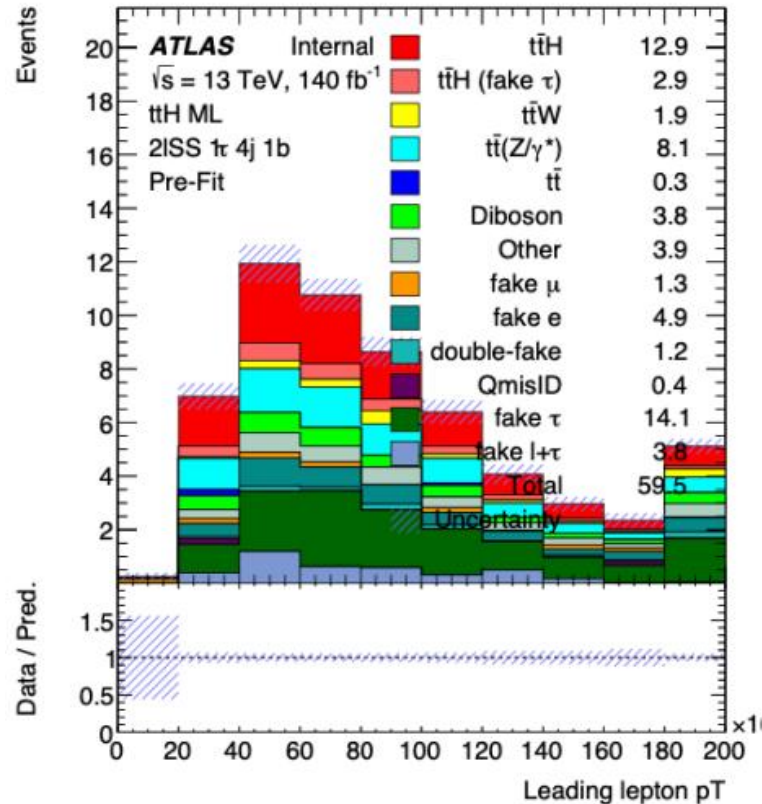
Extended template fit - 2LSS1tau

- **Template Fit method extended to include the fake- τ (had) scale factor**
 - ✓ 8 control regions with mixed e/ μ definitions (TT, TM, MT, MM)
 - ✓ 8 templates with single and double fake leptons (e/ μ / τ)
 - fake component selected using truth class information
 - no distinction between HF/LF/ γ -conv
 - ✓ 3 scale factors: N_e , N_μ and N_τ
 - double-fake templates use multiple scale factors (e.g., fake e+ τ is scaled by $N_e \cdot N_\tau$)



2LSS1tau SR/CR

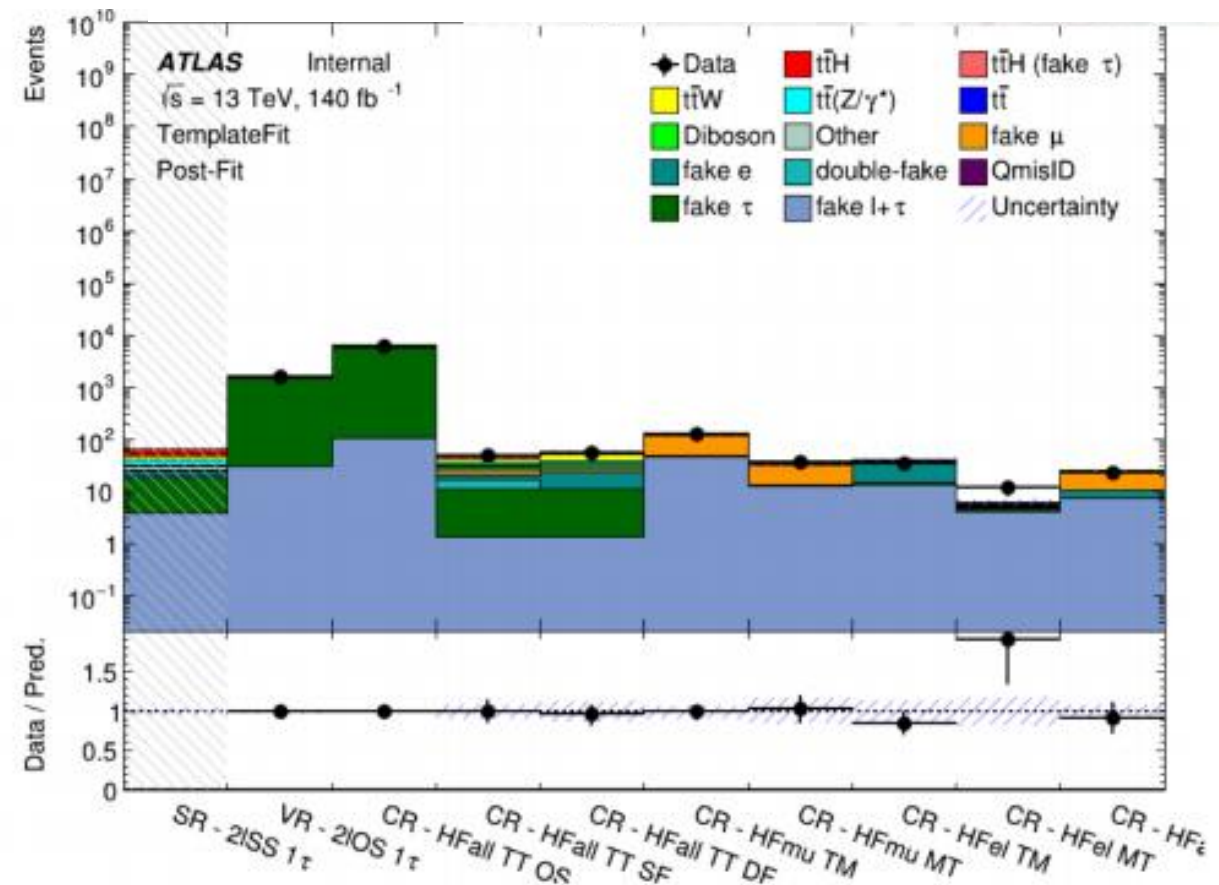
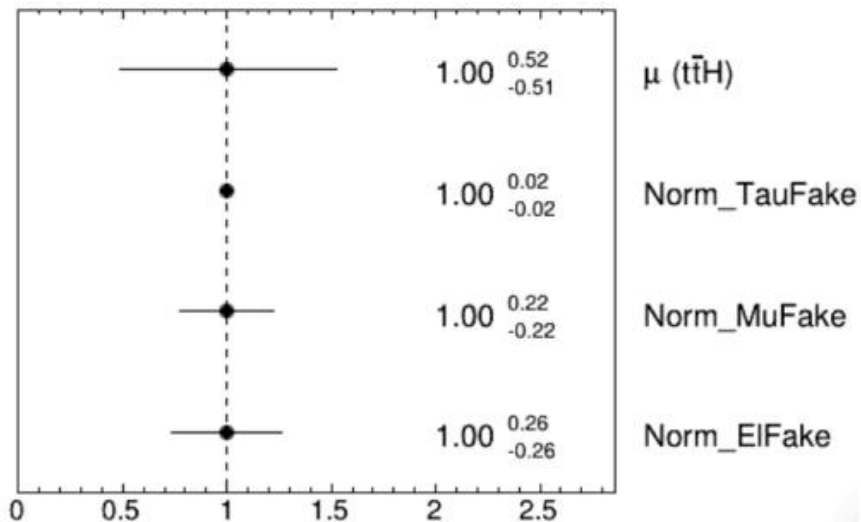
- BDT still needs to be implemented in fit.
- Cut-based SR used for current fits



2LSS1tau Fit results

- **Standalone channel results**
 - ✓ total unc on $\mu(\text{ttH})$ is 0.51
 - ✓ 80ifb = ~ 0.95 expected
- **Several systematics still missing**
 - ✓ JES/JER/Ftag/ttH&ttbar modelling/...

ATLAS Internal



Preselection regions

- **2LSS0tau**
 - ✓ ==2 SS VeryTight leptons with $p_T > 15$ GeV
 - ✓ No $\tau(\text{had})$ candidates in the event
 - ✓ ≥ 2 jets, of which ≥ 1 must be b-tagged with 85% WP
- **3L0tau**
 - ✓ ==3 leptons with total charge equal to ± 1
 - Opposite charge to others is loose with $p_T > 10$ GeV
 - SS di-lep pair is tight with $p_T > 15$ GeV
 - OS $m_{ll} 10$ GeV Z veto and $m_{ll} > 12$ GeV
 - ✓ ≥ 2 jets, of which ≥ 1 must be b-tagged with 85% WP
- **4L**
 - ✓ ==4 loose light leptons
 - ✓ sum of lepton charges is zero
 - ✓ $\geq 2j \geq 1$ must be b-tagged with 85% WP
 - ✓ Mass cuts
 - Each OS $m_{ll} > 12$ GeV, Higgs ($\rightarrow 4l$) 5 GeV veto
- **1L2tau**
 - ✓ ==1 light lepton $p_T > 27$
 - ✓ ==2 OS RNN Medium had. taus $p_T > 20$ GeV
 - ✓ ≥ 3 jets + 1 b-tag (77% WP)
- **2SSL1tau (cut-based SR)**
 - ✓ ==1 RNN Medium hadronic tau
 - ✓ ==2 SS PLIV tight light leptons $p_T > 15$ GeV
 - ✓ SF leptons $m_{ll} 10$ GeV Z veto
 - ✓ ≥ 3 jets + 1 b-tag
- **2LOS2tau**
 - ✓ ==2 OS light lepton $p_T > 10$
 - OS $m_{ll} 10$ GeV Z veto and $m_{ll} > 12$ GeV
 - ✓ ==2 OS RNN Medium had. taus $p_T > 20$ GeV
 - ✓ $N_{bjet} > 0$

