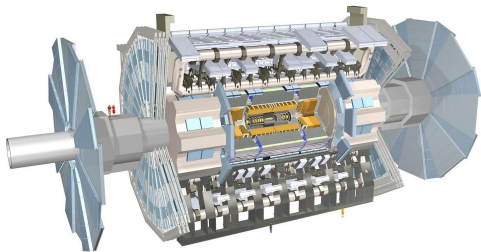


# Measurement of $t\bar{t} + X$ using the ATLAS detector

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# What is $X$ ?

$X = W/Z/\gamma \rightarrow$  probe  $t$ - $Z/\gamma$  coupling

- $t\bar{t} + W/Z$  @8 TeV [JHEP 11 \(2015\) 172](#)
- $t\bar{t} + W/Z$  @13 TeV [ATLAS-CONF-2016-003](#)
- $t\bar{t} + \gamma$  @7 TeV [Phys. Rev. D 91, 072007 \(2015\)](#)

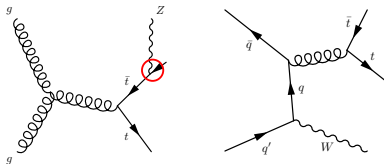
$X =$  light/heavy quark  $\rightarrow$  test QCD, background to NP

- $t\bar{t} +$  jets @8 TeV [arXiv:1606.09490 \(submitted to JHEP\)](#)
- $t\bar{t} +$  jets @13 TeV [ATLAS-CONF-2015-065](#)
- $t\bar{t} + b$ -jets @8 TeV [Eur. Phys. J. C \(2016\) 76:11](#)

\* data with 4.6/20.3/3.2  $\text{fb}^{-1}$  integrated luminosity used for  $\sqrt{s} = 7/8/13$  TeV

# $t\bar{t} + W/Z$ @8 TeV: Introduction

- $t\bar{t}Z$ : probe  $tZ$  coupling, which was never directly measured; BSM sensitivity (technicolor, little Higgs, etc.)
- $t\bar{t}W$ : background for new physics search in same-sign dilepton events



- Depending on decay mode of  $t\bar{t}$  and  $W/Z$ , 0-4 leptons in final state ( $t\bar{t} \rightarrow 0-2 \ell s$ ,  $W \rightarrow 0-1 \ell$ ,  $Z \rightarrow 0$  or  $2 \ell s$ ): dilepton, trilepton, tetralepton channels
- Channel further split for multiple times according to  $\ell$  flavors,  $\ell$  charges, etc. either to disentangle  $t\bar{t}W$  and  $t\bar{t}Z$  or to do separate optimization to enhance signal sensitivity

Opposite-sign dilepton (2L OS)		Same-sign dilepton (2L SS)			Trilepton (3L)		Tetralepton (4L)	
different flavor (DF)	same flavor (SF)	$ee$	$e\mu$	$\mu\mu$	$W$ enriched	$Z$ enriched	DF	SF
$t\bar{t} \rightarrow \ell^\pm$ & $W \rightarrow \ell^\mp$	$t\bar{t} \rightarrow \ell^+\ell^-$ or $Z \rightarrow \ell^+\ell^-$	$t\bar{t} \rightarrow \ell^\pm$ & $W \rightarrow \ell^\pm$			$t\bar{t} \rightarrow \ell^+\ell^-$ $W \rightarrow \ell$	$t\bar{t} \rightarrow \ell$ $Z \rightarrow \ell^+\ell^-$	$Z \rightarrow \ell^+\ell^-$ $t\bar{t} \rightarrow$ DF	$Z \rightarrow \ell^+\ell^-$ $t\bar{t} \rightarrow$ SF

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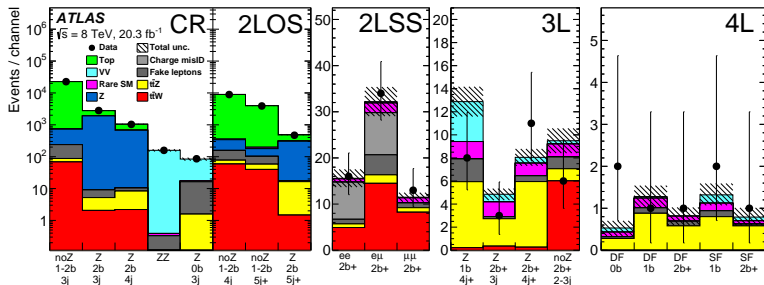
# $t\bar{t} + W/Z$ @8 TeV: Backgrounds

- Background (Bkg) compositions vary across different channels

Channel	Sub-channel	Main Background
2L OS	different (same) flavor	$t\bar{t}$ ( $Z$ ) dileptonic decay
2L SS	$ee, e\mu$ ( $\mu\mu$ )	charge mis-ID (fake $\ell$ )
3L	$t\bar{t}Z$ ( $t\bar{t}W$ ) enriched	leptonic decay $WZ$ (rare SM)
4L	$t\bar{t} \rightarrow$ same (different) flavor	leptonic decay $ZZ$ (rare SM)

(\* rare SM mainly means  $t\bar{t}H$ ,  $tZ$ ,  $WtZ$ )

- Backgrounds estimated via MC or data, or normalized via control region (CR)  $t\bar{t}/Z/VV$  via CRs, instrumental bkg via data, others small bkg via MC



# $t\bar{t} + W/Z$ @8 TeV: Results

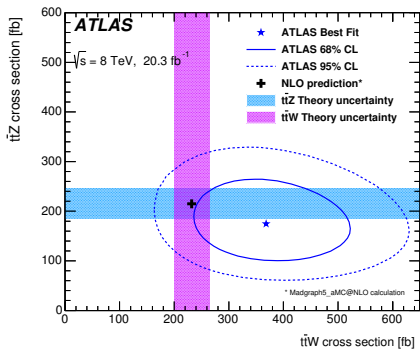
- Measured total cross sections

$$\sigma_{t\bar{t}W} = 369^{+86}_{-79}(\text{stat.}) \pm 44(\text{syst.}) \text{ fb}$$

$$\sigma_{t\bar{t}Z} = 176^{+52}_{-48}(\text{stat.}) \pm 24(\text{syst.}) \text{ fb}$$

- To be compared with NLO prediction of  $232 \pm 32$  ( $t\bar{t}W$ ) and  $215 \pm 30$  ( $t\bar{t}Z$ ) fb
- Statistical uncertainty dominates
- Systematic uncertainty mainly from background estimation

Uncertainty	$\sigma_{t\bar{t}W}$	$\sigma_{t\bar{t}Z}$
Luminosity	3.2%	4.6%
Reconstructed objects	3.7%	7.4%
Backgrounds from simulation	5.8%	8.0%
Fake leptons and charge misID	7.5%	3.0%
Signal modelling	1.8%	4.5%
Total systematic	12%	13%
Statistical	+24% / -21%	+30% / -27%
Total	+27% / -24%	+33% / -29%



- 5.0 $\sigma$  (4.2 $\sigma$ ) significance of  $t\bar{t}W$  ( $t\bar{t}Z$ ) signal over signal-free model
- bkg-only hypothesis with neither  $t\bar{t}W$  nor  $t\bar{t}Z$  excluded with 7.1 $\sigma$

# $t\bar{t} + W/Z$ @13 TeV

- Check of SM at new energy regime
- Similar to 8 TeV analysis
- Only the most sensitive channels used
- Measured cross sections

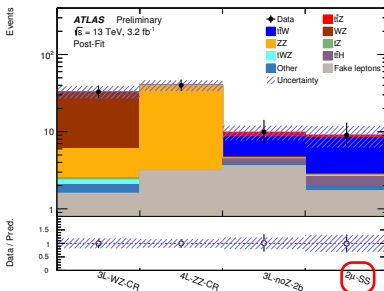
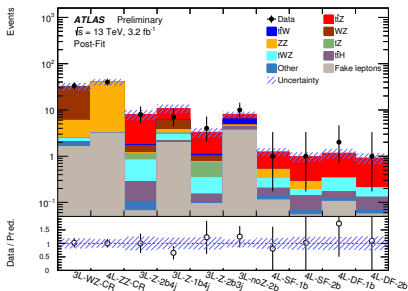
$$\sigma_{t\bar{t}W} = 1.38 \pm 0.70(\text{stat.}) \pm 0.33(\text{syst.}) \text{ pb}$$

$$\sigma_{t\bar{t}Z} = 0.92 \pm 0.30(\text{stat.}) \pm 0.11(\text{syst.}) \text{ pb}$$

- Compare to NLO prediction of  $0.57 \pm 0.06$  ( $t\bar{t}W$ ) and  $0.76 \pm 0.08$  ( $t\bar{t}Z$ ) pb

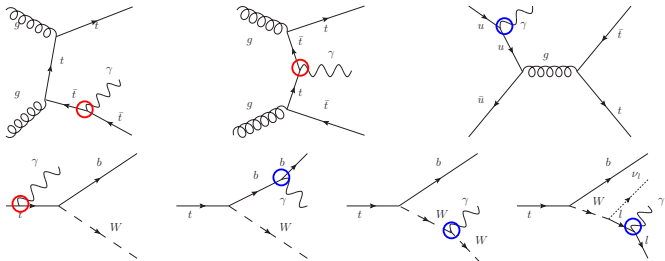
significance in 8 TeV measurement

Channel	$t\bar{t}W$ significance		$t\bar{t}Z$ significance	
	Expected	Observed	Expected	Observed
2 $\ell$ OS	0.4	0.1	1.4	1.1
2 $\ell$ SS	2.8	5.0	-	-
3 $\ell$	1.4	1.0	3.7	3.3
4 $\ell$	-	-	2.0	2.4
Combined	3.2	5.0	4.5	4.2



# $t\bar{t} + \gamma$ @7 TeV: Introduction

- Process not established before (1st evidence reported by CDF)
- Direct probing of  $t\gamma$  coupling, BSM sensitivity (composite/excited  $top$ )
- Analysis performed in single lepton channel (more statistics)
- Events with 1 photon selected:  $\gamma$  radiation not from  $t\gamma$  vertex (e.g.  $b\gamma$  or  $q\ell$  vertex) suppressed by rejecting event with  $\gamma$  too close to  $\ell$  or jet



- Fake photon event should be removed/subtracted
  - hadron fake:  $\text{jet} \rightarrow \gamma$ , by exploiting the discrimination power of  $\gamma$  isolation
  - egamma fake:  $e \rightarrow \gamma$ , by estimating  $e \rightarrow \gamma$  fake rate with Tag & Probe method
- Prompt  $\gamma$  backgrounds (minor) estimated from MC or data-driven
  - $W$ ,  $Z$ , single  $top$ , diboson processes with prompt  $\gamma$  radiation

# $t\bar{t} + \gamma$ @7 TeV: Results

- Cross section per lepton flavor flavor measured to be

$$\sigma_{t\bar{t}\gamma}^{\text{fid}} \times \text{BR} = 63 \pm 8(\text{stat.})_{-13}^{+17}(\text{syst.}) \pm 1(\text{lumi.}) \text{ fb}$$

in a fiducial region

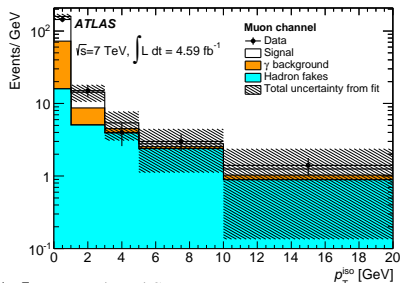
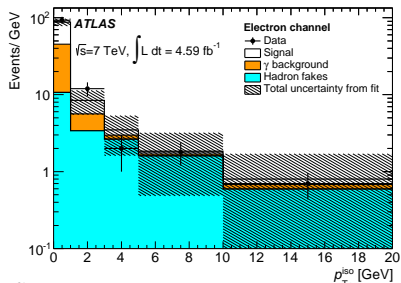
$$p_T(\gamma/\ell/j) > 20/20/25 \text{ GeV}$$

$$|\eta(\gamma/\ell/j)| < 2.37/2.5/2.5$$

$$\Delta R(\gamma, j) > 0.5 \text{ and } \Delta R(\gamma, \ell) > 0.7$$

- WHIZARD (MadGraph) prediction with NLO k-factor:  $48$  ( $47$ )  $\pm 10$  fb
- Systematics dominated by jet modelling
- Signal significance of  $5.3\sigma$

Uncertainty source	Uncertainty [%]
Background template shapes	3.7
Signal template shapes	6.6
Signal modeling	8.4
Photon modeling	8.8
Lepton modeling	2.5
Jet modeling	16.6
$b$ -tagging	8.2
$E_T^{\text{miss}}$ modeling	0.9
Luminosity	1.8
Background contributions	7.7





# $t\bar{t}$ + jets @8 TeV: Introduction

- Measurement of the activity of *additional* jets in  $t\bar{t}$  events:  
jets originating from quark and gluon radiation in association with  $t\bar{t}$  system
- Test QCD at the highest accessible energy scale (large  $m_t$ )
- Primary source of background for new physics search
- Check generator modelling and parton shower tuning
- Analysis performed in  $e\mu$  final state plus 2  $b$ -jets

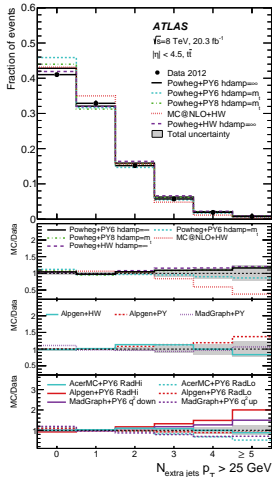
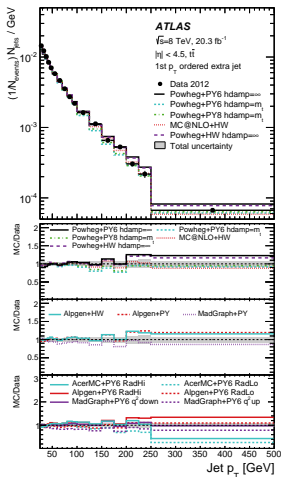
	$e\mu$	[%]	$\geq 2$ $b$ -jets	[%]
Data	70854		12437	
Total simulation	66200	100.0	12400	100.0
$t\bar{t}$	40300	60.8	11900	96.3
$Wt$ single top	3840	5.8	360	2.9
$Z(\rightarrow \tau\tau \rightarrow e\mu)$ +jets	12800	19.4	6	0.1
Dibosons	8030	12.3	2	0.0
Misidentified leptons	1200	1.8	96	0.8

- $t\bar{t}$  highly enriched SR
- bkg:  $Wt$ , fake lepton,  $Z \rightarrow \tau\tau$ , diboson
- All from simulation
- doubling/removing to evaluate bkg systematics

- Jet activities at particle level in fiducial region are measured:  
additional jet multiplicity with different  $p_T$  thresholds,  
normalized additional jet  $p_T$  spectrums,  
gap fractions with different thresholds in different regions

# $t\bar{t}$ + jets @8 TeV: Jet $p_T$ and Multiplicity

- NLO generators provide reasonable description of the leading jet
- LO generators give reasonable agreement with appropriate parameter choice
- MC@NLO + Herwig gives much less radiation in high jet multiplicity

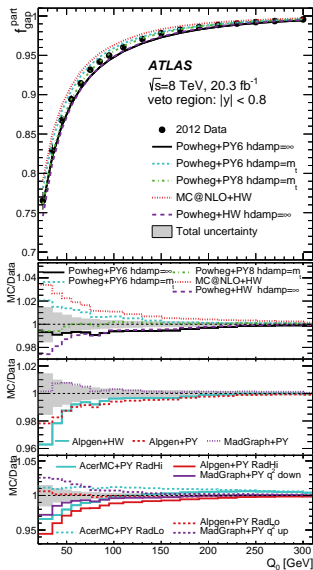


- low (high) radiation tune of Alpgen (MG) + Pythia describes better the data than nominal tune
- $\chi^2$  test (41 d.o.f) of compatibility

Generator	$\chi^2$	$p$ -value
POWHEG+PYTHIA6 $h_{\text{damp}} = \infty$	55.3	$6.7 \times 10^{-2}$
POWHEG+PYTHIA6 $h_{\text{damp}} = m$	57.4	$4.6 \times 10^{-2}$
POWHEG+PYTHIA8 $h_{\text{damp}} = m$	78.0	$4.4 \times 10^{-4}$
MC@NLO+HERWIG	108.2	$5.8 \times 10^{-8}$
POWHEG+HERWIG $h_{\text{damp}} = \infty$	51.4	$1.3 \times 10^{-1}$
ALPGEN+HERWIG	64.0	$1.2 \times 10^{-2}$
ALPGEN+PYTHIA6	55.5	$6.4 \times 10^{-2}$
MADGRAPH+PYTHIA6	54.7	$7.4 \times 10^{-2}$
ACERMC+PYTHIA6 RadHi	138.4	$1.8 \times 10^{-12}$
ACERMC+PYTHIA6 RadLo	148.1	$4.9 \times 10^{-14}$
ALPGEN+PYTHIA6 RadHi	104.7	$1.8 \times 10^{-7}$
ALPGEN+PYTHIA6 RadLo	47.9	$2.1 \times 10^{-1}$
MADGRAPH+PYTHIA6 $q^2$ down	50.2	$1.5 \times 10^{-1}$
MADGRAPH+PYTHIA6 $q^2$ up	78.7	$3.6 \times 10^{-4}$

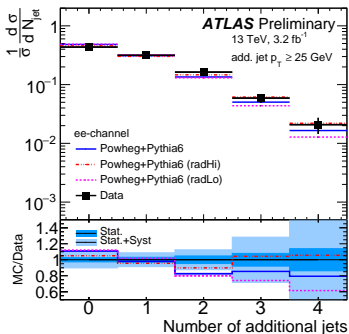
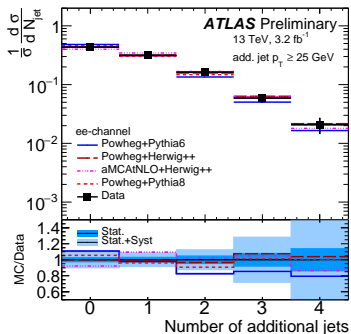
# $t\bar{t}$ + jets @8 TeV: Gap Fraction

- Gap fraction: fraction of events without additional jet activity in given detector rapidity region  
 $f(Q_0)$ : no jet with  $p_T > Q_0$ , sensitive to 1st additional radiation  
 $f(Q_{\text{sum}})$ : scalar  $\sum_j p_T < Q_{\text{sum}}$ ,  $p_T > 25$  GeV, sensitive to all additional radiation
- Measured in 4 rapidity regions  $|y|$ :  
 $(0,0.8)$   $(0.8,1.5)$ ,  $(1.5,2.1)$ ,  $(0,2.1)$
- Measured in 4  $m_{e\mu bb}$  regions with  $|y| < 2.1$ :  
 $(0,300)$ ,  $(300,425)$ ,  $(425,600)$ ,  $(600,\infty)$
- Powheg + Pythia8 describes best of  $f(Q_0)$
- Powheg + Pythia6 disfavored from  $f(Q_{\text{sum}})$
- There are also some similar conclusions  
 e.g. MC@NLO+Herwig disfavoured  
 non-nominal tune preferred over nominal  
 tune for some LO generators



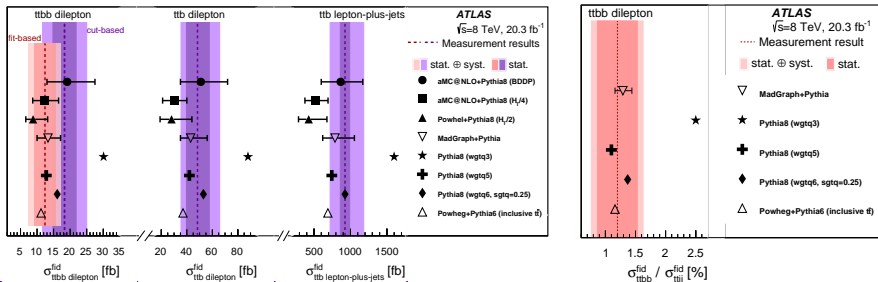
# $t\bar{t}$ + jets @13 TeV

- Analysis performed in all OS  $2\text{-}\ell$  ( $ee/\mu\mu/e\mu$ ) channels
- Normalized additional jet multiplicity with different  $p_T$  thresholds
- Dominating systematics from  $t\bar{t}$  modelling and jet modelling
- Good agreement between data and several NLO generators
- Radiation high tuning for Powheg + Pythia6 describes better the data than the nominal tuning



# $t\bar{t} + b$ -jets @8 TeV

- Important bkg to other measurement (e.g.  $t\bar{t}H \rightarrow t\bar{t}b\bar{b}$ )
- Analysis performed both in single lepton and dilepton channels
- Fiducial cross section for 1 or 2 additional  $b$ -jets separately measured
- Background dominated by light or charm jet
- Systematics dominated by  $t\bar{t}$ /jet modeling and  $b$ -tagging uncertainty
- Generally good agreement between data and NLO / LO generators
- Measurement sensitive to  $g \rightarrow b\bar{b}$  splitting modelling in the parton shower



# Summary

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With the large mass of top quark and high  $t\bar{t}$  production rate at LHC, perturbative QCD and top coupling at EW sector are tested at highest accessible energy scale with high precision

- Associated production of top pair with vector boson is measured; good agreement with SM prediction is achieved; with the incoming 13 TeV data, these measurements will be greatly improved
- QCD radiation in top pair production is measured and compared with several generators, implying good QCD modelling and providing information for further tuning of these models
- Other analyses where  $t\bar{t} + X$  backgrounds are important can benefit from these measurements