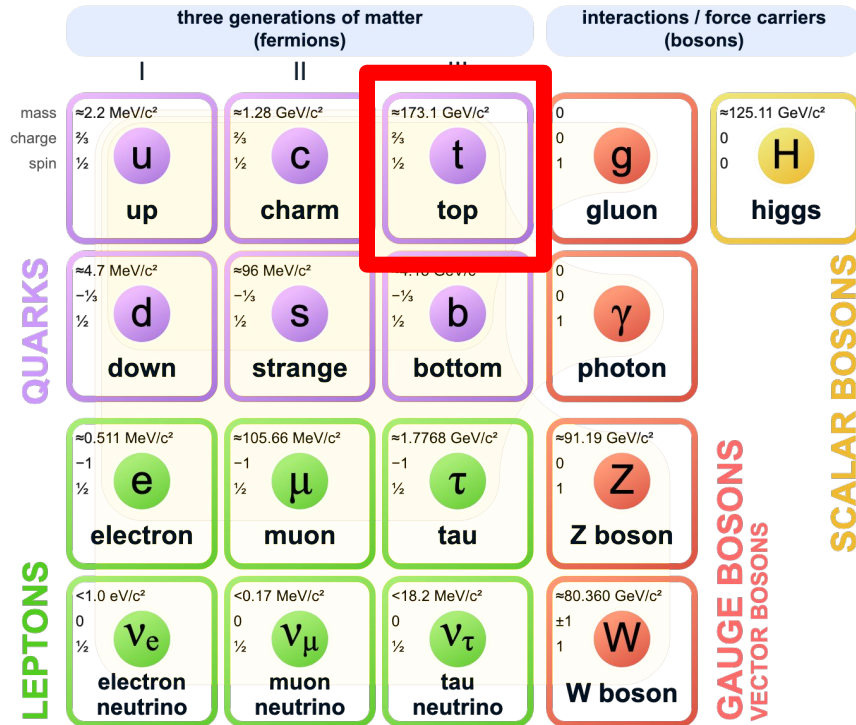


# CP violation and tqg FCNC in single top quark t-channel

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# Top quark

## Standard Model of Elementary Particles



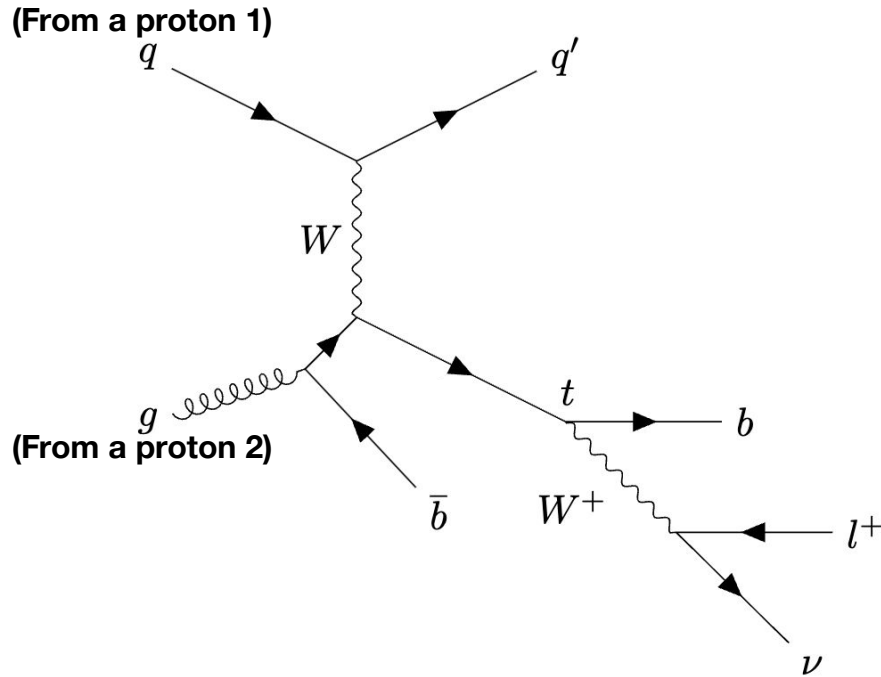
- Top quark: One of the fundamental particles in Standard Model
  - Discovered in 1995 (CDF, D0)
- The heaviest elementary particle in Standard Model
- Top quark physics is one of most active field in particle physics
  - Top quark properties (e.g., mass) are sensitive to high energy phenomena, such as Higgs physics and Beyond Standard Model (BSM)
  - Many studies of search for BSM relate to top quark sector

(From [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Standard\\_Model](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Standard_Model))

[Top quark doll, in sale!](#)



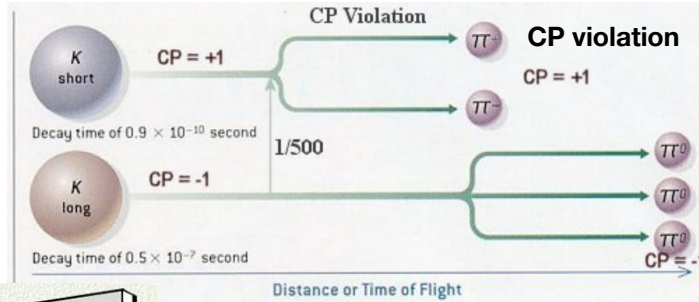
# Single top quark t-channel process



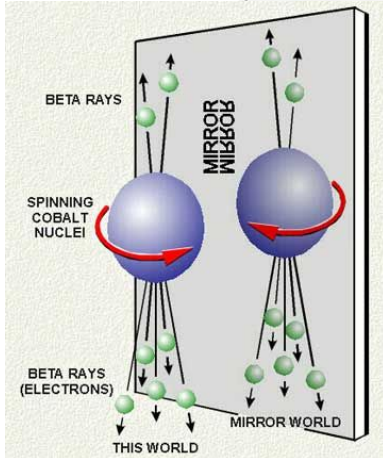
- Single top quark t-channel process:
  - One of process producing only one top quark
  - The others: tW, s-channel
- From the collision, one top quark and a quark is produced
  - The top quark decays immediately to bottom quark and W boson
  - The W boson decays to a pair of quark (**hadronic decay**) or lepton+neutrino (**leptonic decay**)
  - In my studies, only the case of leptonic decay is considered
    - Hadronic decay mode is hard to be extracted from backgrounds

# CP violation

# About CP violation



Parity violation



[https://www.physi.uni-heidelberg.de/~reygers/seminars/2015/nobel\\_prizes\\_in\\_particle\\_physics/talks/paul\\_cp\\_violation.pdf](https://www.physi.uni-heidelberg.de/~reygers/seminars/2015/nobel_prizes_in_particle_physics/talks/paul_cp_violation.pdf)

<https://www.aps.org/publications/apsnews/200112/history.cfm>

- In 1956, Wu has found a **parity violation** in an experiment (Co-60 experiment [1])
  - Weak interaction occurs only with left-handed fermions
- In 1964, Cronin and Fitch have found a **CP violation** in an experiment of neutral Kaon decay [2]

[1] Wu, C. S.; Ambler, E.; Hayward, R. W.; Hoppes, D. D.; Hudson, R. P. (1957). "Experimental Test of Parity Conservation in Beta Decay". *Physical Review*. 105 (4): 1413–1415  
[2] J. H. Christenson, J. W. Cronin, V. L. Fitch and R. Turlay, "Evidence for the  $2\pi$  Decay of the  $K_2^0$  Meson," *Phys. Rev. Lett.* 13, 138 (1964).

# Why CP violation?



- Since the discovery of antimatter (1932, C. D. Anderson), this question follows physicists:

Why does the observable universe have more matter than antimatter?

- Sakharov suggested Sakharov conditions to solve this puzzle, which requires significant violation of CP symmetry
- Since its discovery, but still with a too few fraction to explain the puzzle, physicists are looking for more source of CP violation

# Introduction to CP violation in top decay

## Effective Lagrangian of tWb vertex:

$$\mathcal{L}_{tWb} = -\frac{g}{\sqrt{2}} \bar{b} \gamma^\mu (V_L P_L + V_R P_R) t W_\mu^-$$

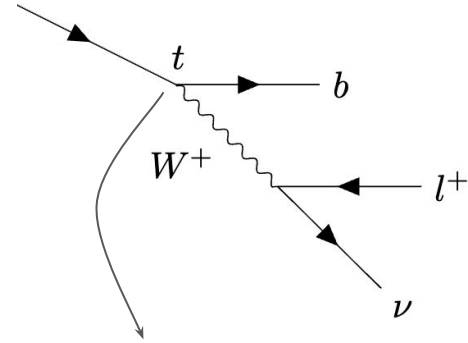
$$- \frac{g}{\sqrt{2}} \bar{b} \frac{i\sigma^{\mu\nu} q_\nu}{M_W} (g_L P_L + \underline{g_R P_R}) t W_\mu^- + \text{h.c.},$$

There might be an anomalous coupling  $g_R$ ,  
 of which the complex phase makes  
 the term **CP violating**

(See [arXiv:1005.5382](https://arxiv.org/abs/1005.5382))

In SM:  $g_R = (-7.17 - 1.23i) \times 10^{-3}$

## The tWb vertex of top decay



The strength of CP violating term in  
 the tWb vertex can be estimated by  
 measuring a forward-backward  
 asymmetry ( $A_{FB}^N$ )

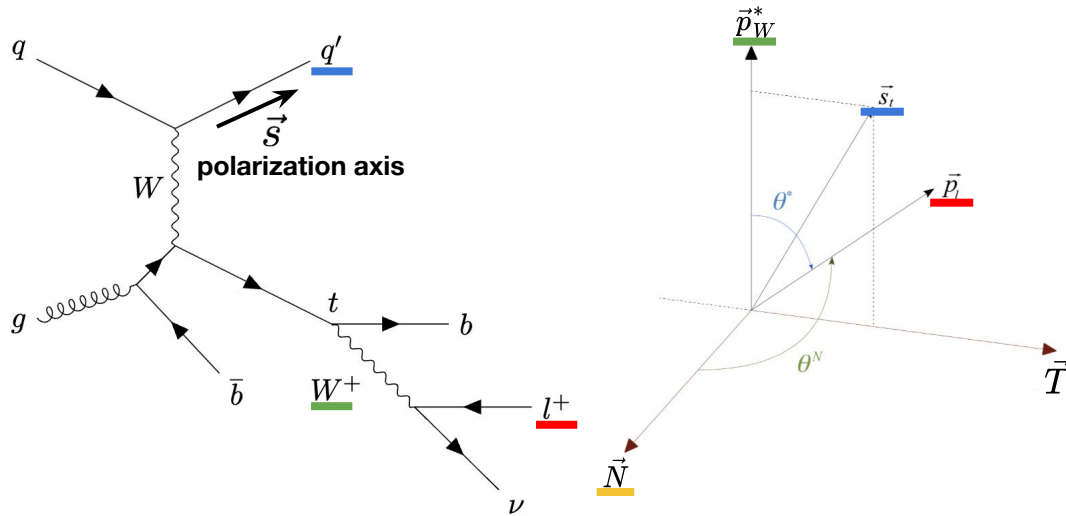
$$A_{FB}^N = -0.64P \text{Im}(V_L g_R^*)$$

( $P$  : top quark polarization)

(Assuming  $V_L = 1, P = 0.9$ )

SM expectation:  $A_{FB}^N = -0.708 \times 10^{-3}$

# Measurement of $A_{FB}^N$ in t-channel process



(In the W rest frame)

$\vec{p}_l$  : the momentum of the lepton

(In the top quark rest frame)

$\vec{p}_W^*$  : the momentum of W boson

$\vec{s}_t$  : top quark polarization axis

(The direction of  $q'$ )

$\vec{N}$  :  $\vec{s}_t \times \vec{p}_W^*$

$\vec{T}$  :  $\vec{p}_W^* \times \vec{N}$

(Following notation of [arXiv:1005.5382](https://arxiv.org/abs/1005.5382))

## Target variable

$$A_{FB}^N = \frac{\#(\cos \theta^N > 0) - \#(\cos \theta^N < 0)}{\#(\cos \theta^N > 0) + \#(\cos \theta^N < 0)},$$

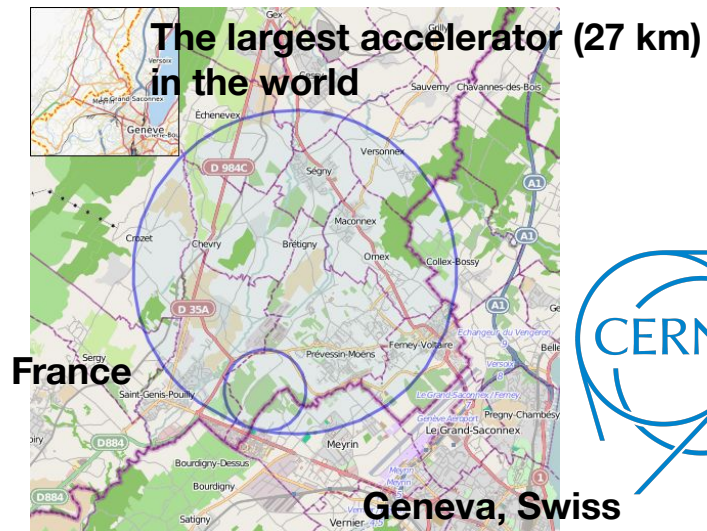
where  $\theta^N$  is the opening angle between  $\vec{N}$  and  $\vec{p}_l$

### A result on Run I:

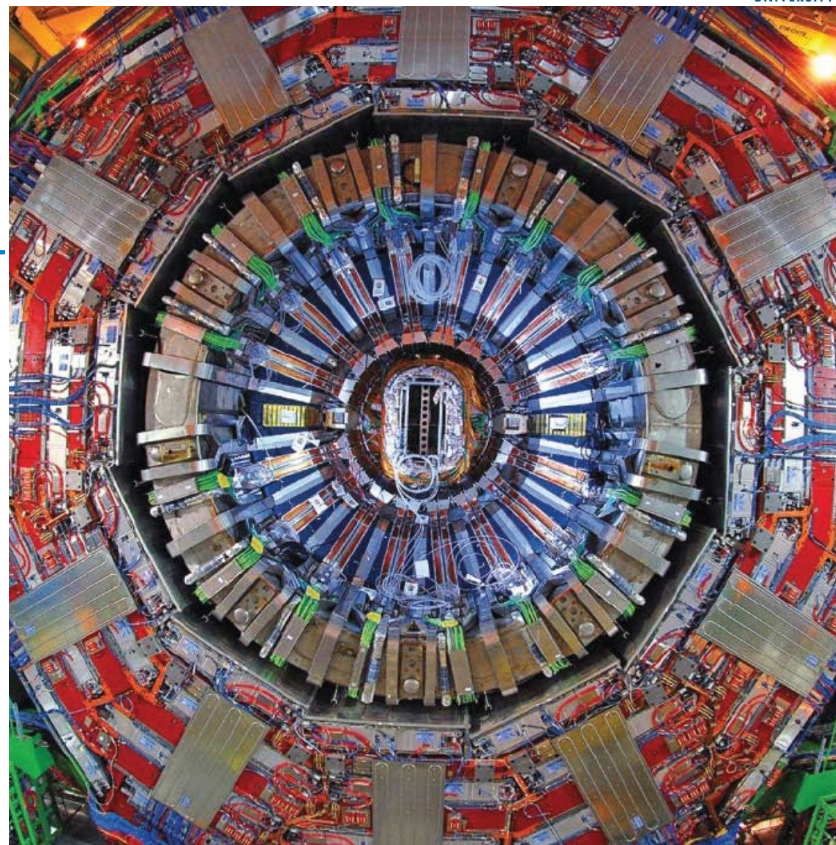
Search for CP violation in single top quark events in pp collisions at  $\sqrt{s} = 7$  TeV with the ATLAS detector (ATLAS-CONF-2013-032)



# About LHC and CMS

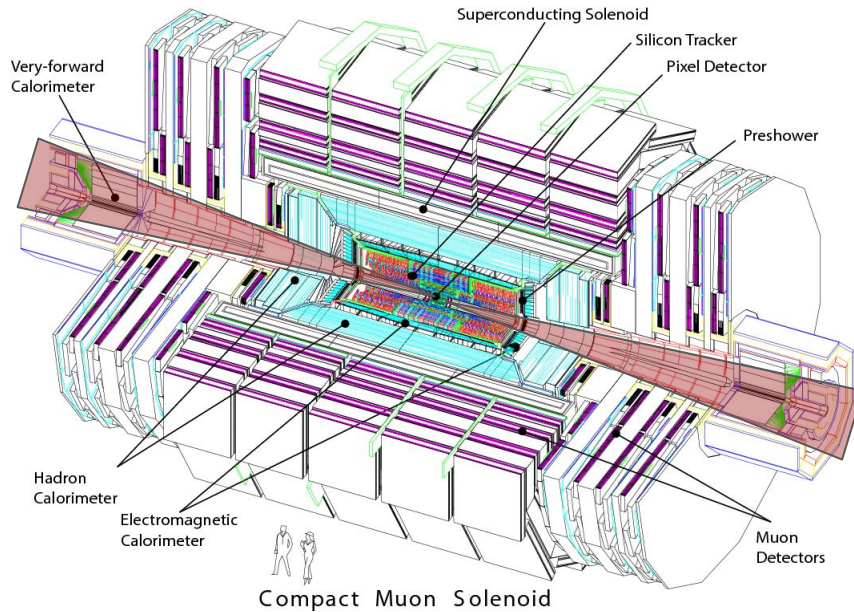


LHC  
(Large Hadron Collider)



CMS  
(Compact Muon Solenoid)

# About LHC and CMS

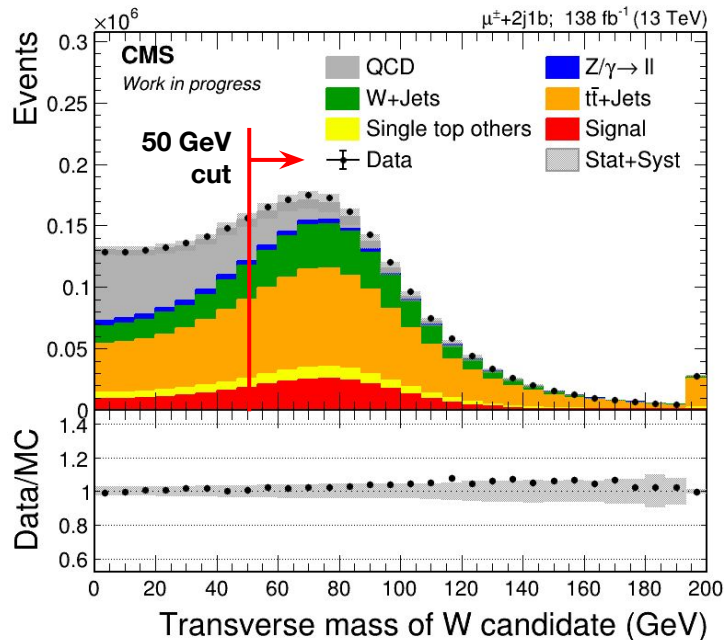


- CMS is one of general-purpose detectors of LHC
- One collision per 25 ns
- Although only triggered data are taken, CMS collects 4 PB of data per year
- For this analysis 380 TB of data ( $1.2 \times 10^9$  events) taken in 2017 are used
  - Only single muon or single electron triggered events

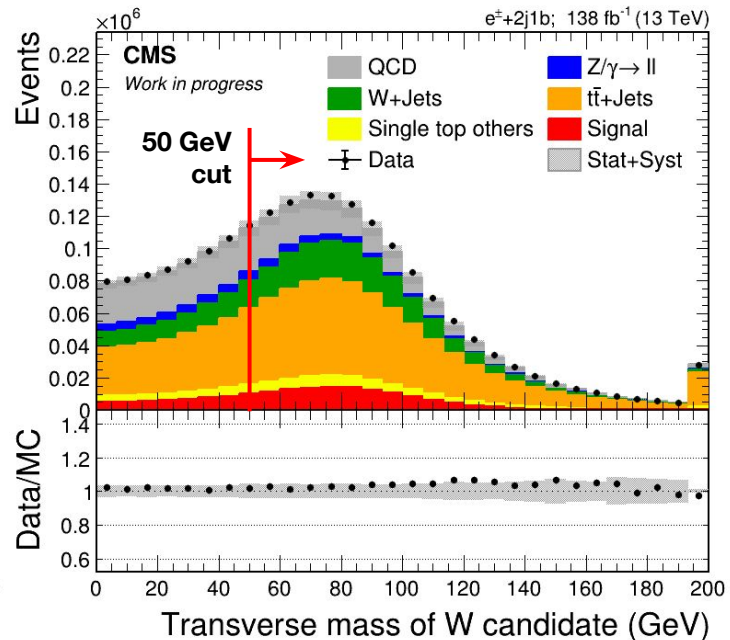
# Data and event selection

- Target: Full Run II (pp-collision, 2016-2018,  $138 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ ) in CMS
- Monte-Carlo (MC) simulations
  - Signal
    - Single top quark t-channel process
  - Background
    - Top quark pair production, single top quark associated with W boson (tW)
    - W+jets, DY+jets
- Object selection
  - **Lepton:** Muon ( $p_T > 26 \text{ GeV}$ ,  $|\eta| < 2.4$ ) or electron ( $p_T > 29 \text{ GeV}$ ,  $|\eta| < 2.4$ )
  - **Jet:** Reconstructed by anti- $k_T$  (cone size 0.4),  $p_T > 40 \text{ GeV}$ ,
  - **b-tagged jet:** DeepJet for b-tagging (eff.  $> 0.5$ )
- Event selection for signal region
  - Exactly one muon or electron, no additional lepton with looser condition
  - 2j1b (exactly 2 jets, exactly 1 b-tagged jet and 1 non-b-tagged jet)
- All backgrounds except QCD are taken from MC simulation, while QCD background is taken from a data-driven method

# Transverse W mass distributions



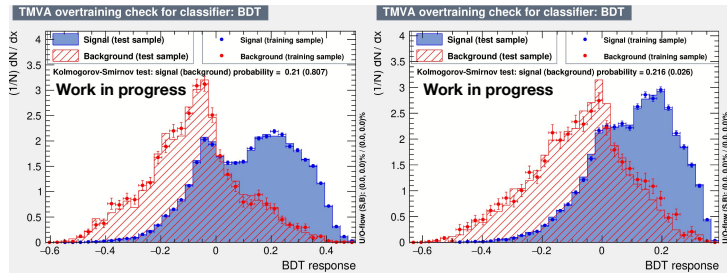
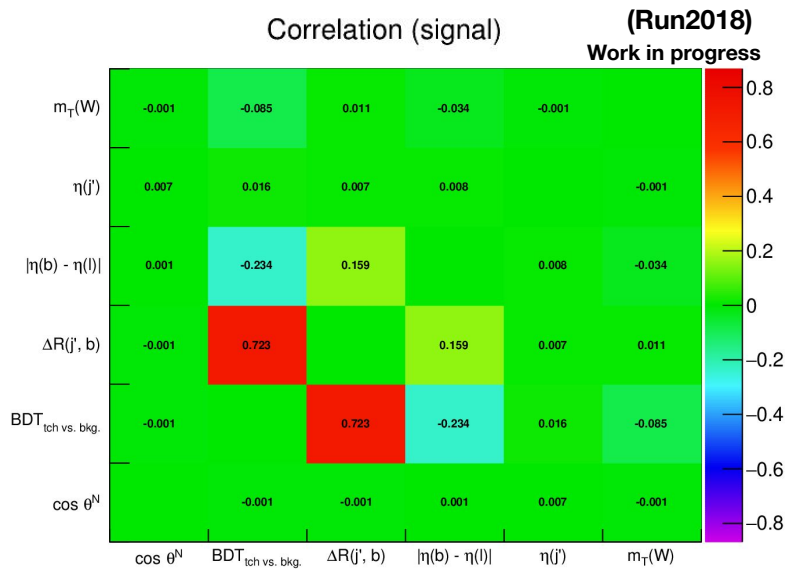
**Muon channel**



**Electron channel**

# Signal extraction (MVA configuration)

- Used variables
  - $\Delta R(j', b)$  ( $j'$ : the associated quark)
  - $\Delta\eta(l, b)$  ( $l$ : lepton,  $b$ : the  $b$ -quark)
  - $\eta(j')$
  - $m_{\tau}(W)$
- Used method
  - BDT (with adaBoost)
  - Hyperparameter: Default
  - Cut: 2 jets (one of them  $b$ -tagged),  $m_{\tau}(W) > 50$  GeV
- Signal:  $t$ -channel process  
Background: All others
- No significant correlation between the BDT score and  $\cos\theta^N$
- A cut at the BDT score giving the maximal significance is applied

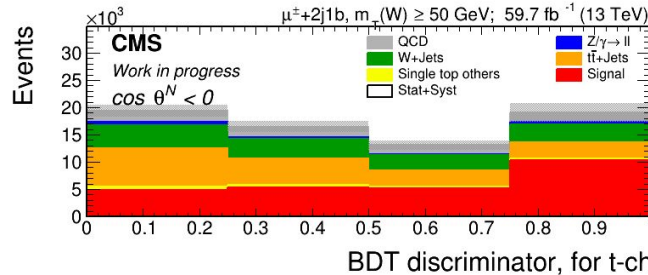
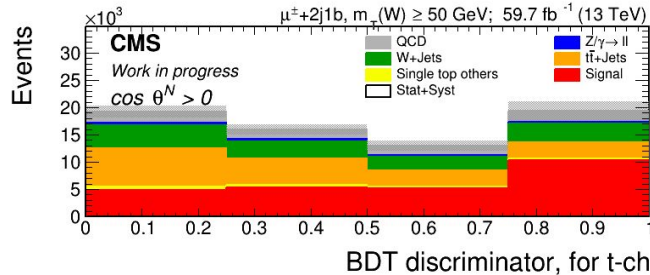


Muon channel

Electron channel

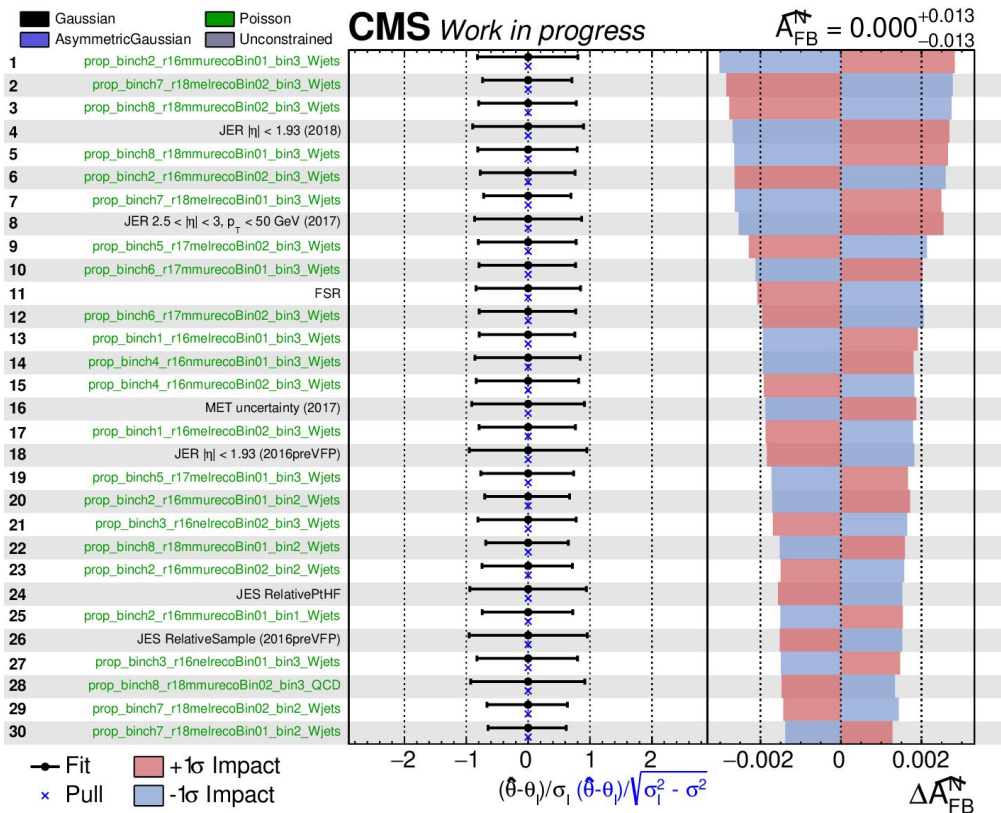
# Estimation of $A_{FB}^N$ at parton level

- Binned likelihood fit with profiling is employed to unfold  $\cos \theta^N$  at parton level
- BDT score is used for the template variable for binned likelihood fit
- To avoid a difficulty to deal with scale uncertainties, we express positive and negative  $\cos \theta^N$  yields with  $A_{FB}^N$  and the scale of signal and perform the fit procedure to estimate  $A_{FB}^N$  directly
- The fit is performed in each lepton channels and eras simultaneously
- Uncertainties are taken account by Conways method [1] with Barlow-Beeston method [2]
- Higgs combine tool is used to unfold  $\cos \theta^N$  distribution at parton level



**Template variable distributions in  $\cos \theta^N > 0$  and  $\cos \theta^N < 0$  (in Run2018 muon channel)**

# Preliminary result: Pull and impact



- Pull and impacts (top 30)
- Asimov dataset is used
- Green: From MC stat. uncertainty
  - Mostly from lack of W+jets MC sample
- Parts of JES, JER, MET, and FSR are dominant

Expected precision (using Asimov dataset):

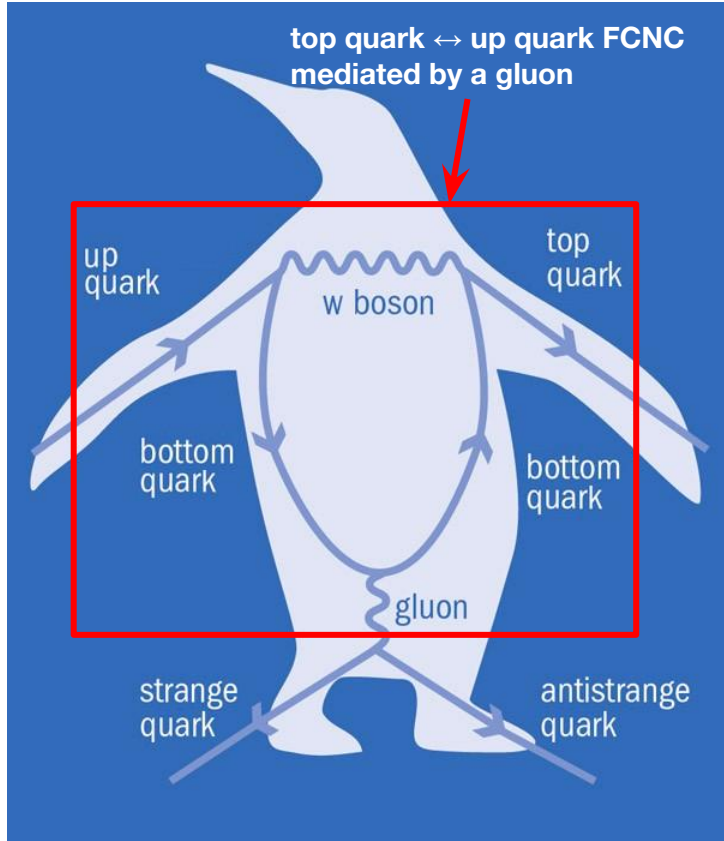
$$\Delta A_{FB}^N = \pm 0.013$$

Previous result from ATLAS Run I (ATLAS-CONF-2013-032):

$$A_{FB}^N = 0.031 \pm 0.065 \text{ (stat.)}^{+0.029}_{-0.031} \text{ (syst.)}$$

tqg FCNC



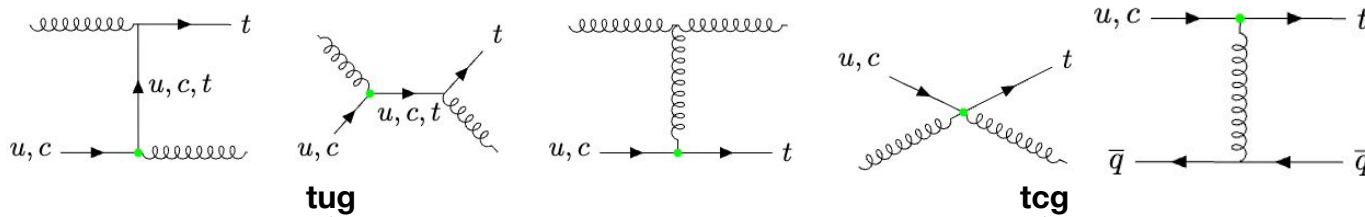


(But this process is suppressed in Standard Model...)

- Flavor-changing neutral current (FCNC)
  - An interaction changing the type (flavor) of an incoming particle without changing its charge (E.g., top quark  $\rightarrow$  up quark, top quark  $\rightarrow$  charm quark)
- Suppressed in Standard Model
  - Not allowed in tree level (i.e., the lowest perturbation order)
  - Suppressed in the next-leading order by GIM mechanism (or Glashow–Iliopoulos–Maiani mechanism)

# Introduction

- Several beyond-Standard Models (BSM), e.g., 2HDM, MSSM, SUSY with R-parity violation, predict a significant increase of flavor-changing neutral current (FCNC) strength
- **Target:** Discrimination of tg/tq production from tqg FCNC from Standard Model (SM) backgrounds
- The predicted upper limit of  $|\kappa_{tqg}|/\Lambda$  ( $q = u, c$ ) :  $\sim 10^{-7} \text{ TeV}^{-1}$  (SM)  $\rightarrow \sim 10^{-3} \text{ TeV}^{-1}$  (BSM)



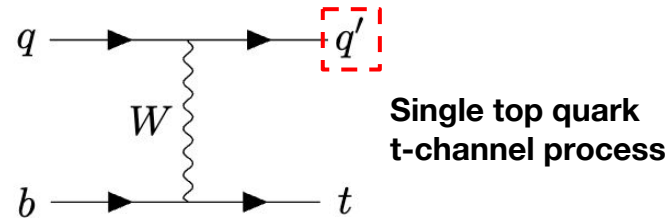
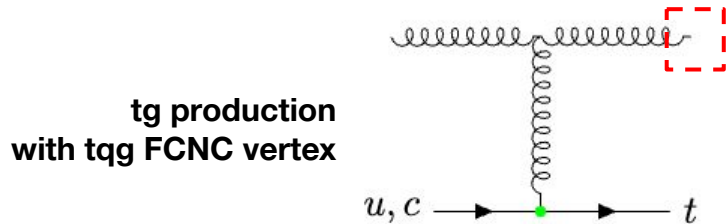
$$\left( \frac{\kappa_{tug}}{\Lambda} \bar{q}_1 \sigma^{\mu\nu} t^a t + \frac{(\kappa_{tug})^*}{\Lambda} \bar{t} \sigma^{\mu\nu} t^a q_1 \right) g_s G_{\mu\nu}^a + \left( \frac{\kappa_{tcg}}{\Lambda} \bar{q}_2 \sigma^{\mu\nu} t^a t + \frac{(\kappa_{tcg})^*}{\Lambda} \bar{t} \sigma^{\mu\nu} t^a q_2 \right) g_s G_{\mu\nu}^a$$

The 5-dim effective Lagrangian of theory-independent tqg FCNC interaction

Experimental limit:  $|\kappa_{tug}|/\Lambda < 4.1 \times 10^{-3} \text{ TeV}^{-1}$ ,  $|\kappa_{tcg}|/\Lambda < 1.8 \times 10^{-2} \text{ TeV}^{-1}$

([arXiv:1610.03545](https://arxiv.org/abs/1610.03545))

# Signal and Backgrounds



- The presence of tqg FCNC yields tg productions, which is significantly different from SM events with top quark
  - tg production is ~80% (~50%) from tug (tcg) vertex
- Three signal samples of tqg FCNC processes
  - Only from tug vertex
  - Only from tcg vertex
- Main SM backgrounds
  - Single top quark t-channel process, top quark pair production, W+jets

## Boosted decision tree (BDT)

- A widely used machine learning technique in particle physics field
- Used for benchmark
- Used variables
  - Lepton kinematics & PID & charge
  - leading light jet, leading b-tagged jet kinematics
  - MET, MET  $\phi$
  - Reconstructed top quark kinematics
  - $H_T$ , Several angular variables between objects
  - **Jet shape variables** of leading light jet  
(See the table on the right)

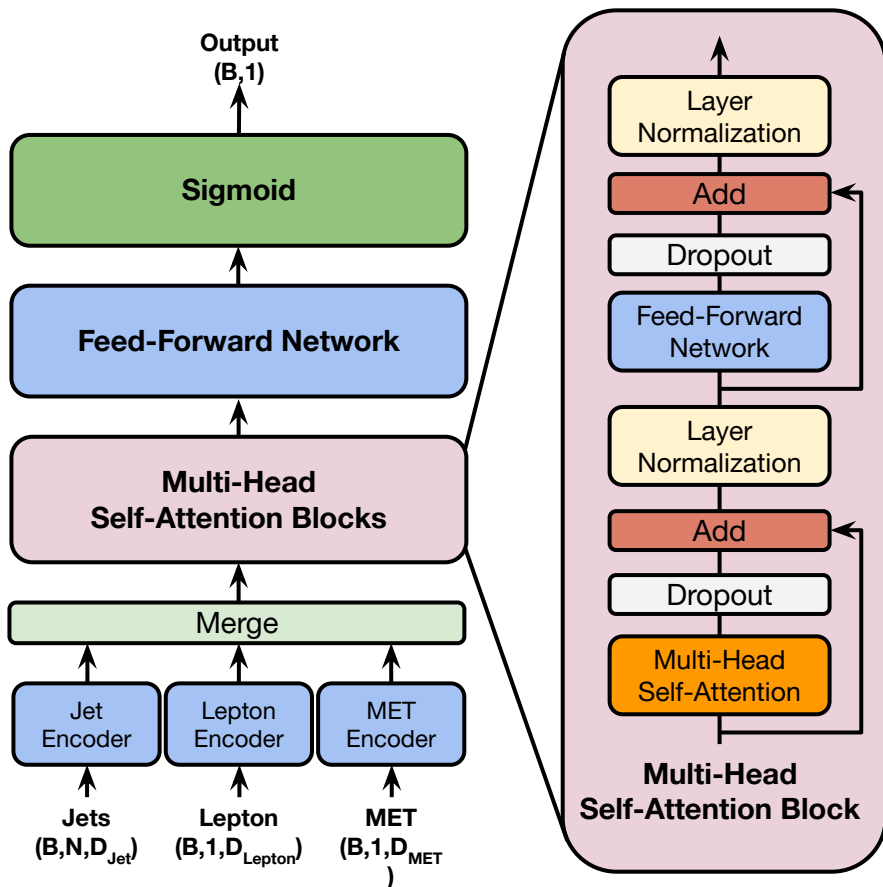
## Self-attention jet-parton assignment (SAJA)<sup>[1]</sup>

- Self-attention technique for assignment of physical objects in particle physics
- It takes into account the event topology and the all jet information together
  - This property gives an advantage on the use of the jet information for jet flavor determination
- Used variables

|   |  |   |
|---|--|---|
| Lepton kinematics & PID & charge, MET, MET $\phi$ |  |   |
| <b>Jets</b><br>(all)                              | $p_T$ , $\eta$ , $\phi$ , mass<br>b-tagging flag | <b>Jet shape variables</b><br># of charged hadron<br># of neutral hadron<br># of electron<br># of muon<br># of photon<br>major axis, minor axis<br>$\rho_T^D$ |

For each BDT and SAJA, two models with/without **jet shape variables** are trained

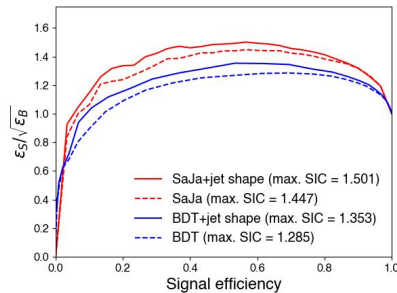
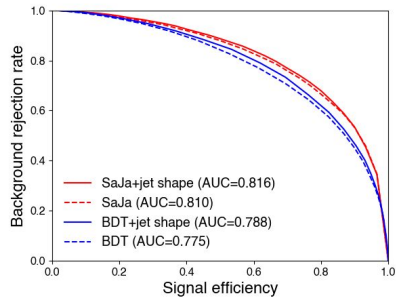
# SAJA: Architecture



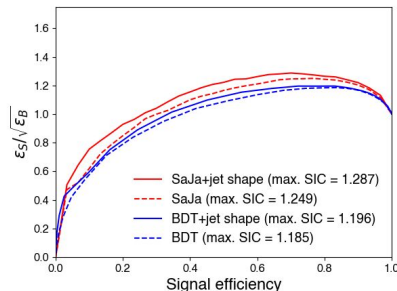
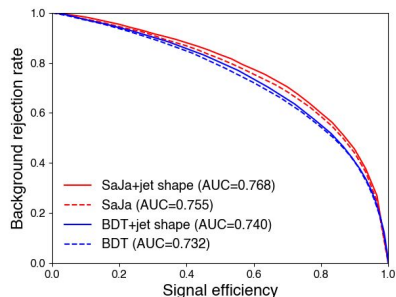
- Modified model from SAJA
  - Modified for single lepton channel
- Variables of physical objects are entered to encoder and concatenated to pass through a sequence of self-attention blocks
- The output is a binary classification between signal (FCNC events) and background (SM)

# Results

tug FCNC



tcg FCNC



- Trains with tg production samples, tug FCNC samples, and tcg FCNC samples
- ROC curves and SIC from the trainings
  - SIC: Significance Improvement Curve  
(= [efficiency of signal ( $\epsilon_S$ )] /  $\sqrt{[\text{efficiency of background } (\epsilon_B)]}$ )
- The maximal significance of SAJA+jet shapes is significantly higher than others
  - The difference of quark jet and gluon jet is crucial

# Summary

- Studies in single top quark t-channel process
- CP violation
  - Estimation of the strength of CP-violation by  $A_{FB}^N$  measurement is performed in the t-channel production of single top quarks in proton-proton collision at 13 TeV using data in full Run II (2016-2018) collected by the CMS detector
  - Expected precision has been estimated preliminarily using MC simulation
- tqg FCNC
  - Discrimination of tqg FCNC events from Standard Model (SM) backgrounds
  - The enrichment of tg production in tqg FCNC processes will be useful for this purpose
  - We have observed an improvement using SAJA with jet shape information
- Talks
  - Measurement of CP violation in single top t-channel production at 13 TeV (2023 KPS Spring Meeting)
  - Identification of tqg FCNC process using machine learning techniques (2023 KPS Fall Meeting)



# Backup



# Object and event selection

- Object selection

Muon:  $p_T > 29 \text{ GeV}$  (2017),  $|\eta| < 2.4$ , Tight ID, rel. Iso  $< 0.06$   
 $26 \text{ GeV}$  (2016, 2018)

Electron:  $p_T > 29 \text{ GeV}$  (2016),  $|\eta| < 2.4$ , cutBased TightWP  
 $35 \text{ GeV}$  (2017, 2018)

Veto muon:  $p_T > 10 \text{ GeV}$ ,  $|\eta| < 2.4$ , Loose ID, rel. Iso  $< 0.2$

Veto electron:  $p_T > 15 \text{ GeV}$ ,  $|\eta| < 2.4$ , cutBased VetoWP

Jet:  $p_T > 40 \text{ GeV}$ ,  $|\eta| < 4.7$  (2.4 for b-tagged),  
 Loose ID,  $\Delta R(\text{lepton}, \text{jet}) > 0.4$ , DeepJet TightWP

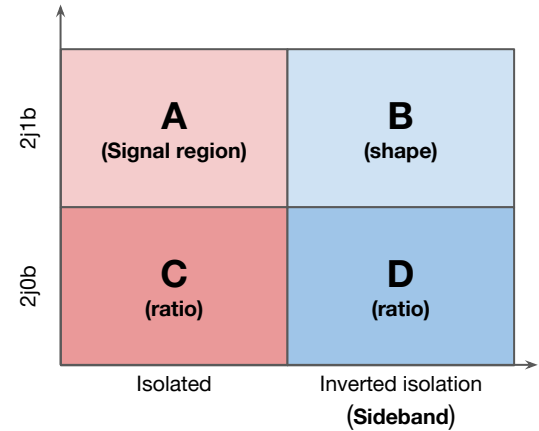
- Lepton selection: Exactly one “tight” lepton (muon, electron), no additional veto lepton

- Corrections: Using [correctionlib](#) with [JSON POG integration](#)

Muon efficiency corrections for iso  $< 0.06$  provided by Matteo (#)

# Background Estimations

- Control regions by the number of jets and b-tagged jets
  - 2j0b: QCD control region
- QCD: ABCD method is applied to take shapes and scales
  - QCD shape is taken from sideband region
    - Sideband region is set by inverse of lepton isolation
  - The scale is estimated in 2j0b region
    - Fitting with  $m_T(W)$  distribution
  - For muon channel, the estimation is performed in  $|\eta_{\text{muon}}| < 1.4$  and  $|\eta_{\text{muon}}| > 1.4$ , separately
- Other backgrounds are from MC



ABCD regions for QCD estimation

# Estimation of $A_{FB}^N$ at parton level

$$L = \prod_i^{\text{years, bins}} \prod_{j \in \{+, -\}} \text{Poi} \left( \left( \frac{s}{2} \right) (1 + A_{FB}^N) S_{ij+}(\vec{\theta}) + \left( \frac{s}{2} \right) (1 - A_{FB}^N) S_{ij-}(\vec{\theta}) + B_{ij}(\vec{\theta}) \middle| N_{ij} \right) \times (\text{constraints})$$

$N_{i\pm}$  : Event yield of data in bin  $i$  with  $\pm \cos \theta_{\text{reco}}^N > 0$

$B_{i\pm}$  : Background yield in bin  $i$  with  $\pm \cos \theta_{\text{reco}}^N > 0$

$S_{i\pm+}$  : Signal yield in bin  $i$  with  $\pm \cos \theta_{\text{reco}}^N > 0$  and  $\cos \theta_{\text{parton}}^N > 0$

$S_{i\pm-}$  : Signal yield in bin  $i$  with  $\pm \cos \theta_{\text{reco}}^N > 0$  and  $\cos \theta_{\text{parton}}^N < 0$

$\vec{\theta}$  : Nuisance parameters

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Higgs combine tool)

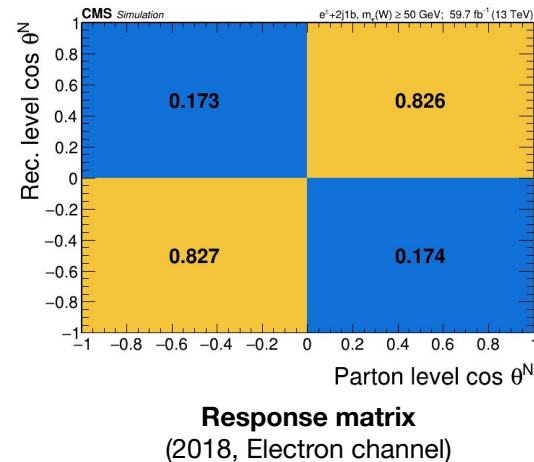
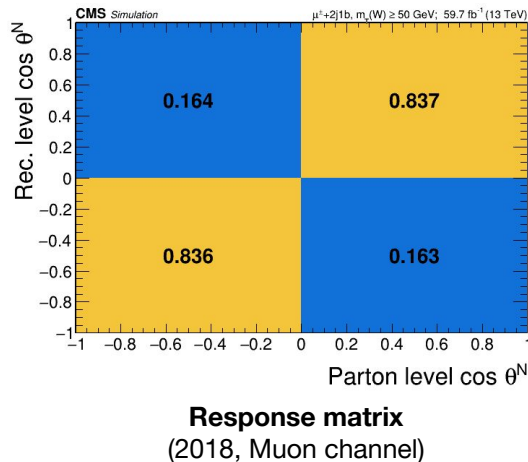
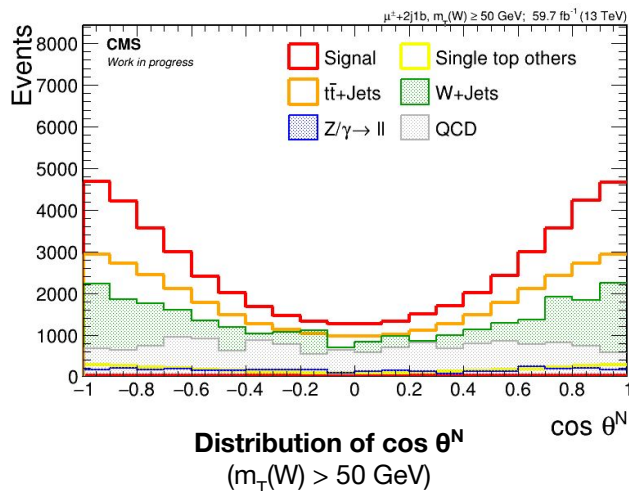
- To estimated  $A_{FB}^N$ , binned likelihood with profiling is employed
- The parameters of yields with positive and negative  $\cos \theta_{\text{parton}}^N$  in the fit model are set to be  $(s/2)(1 + A_{FB}^N)$  and  $(s/2)(1 - A_{FB}^N)$ , respectively
- Letting  $A_{FB}^N$  be the only POI (Parameter Of Interest)
- Uncertainties are taken account by Conways method [1] with Barlow-Beeston method [2]
- The fit is performed in each lepton channels and eras simultaneously

[1] J. S. Conway, "Incorporating Nuisance Parameters in Likelihoods for Multisource Spectra", in PHYSTAT 2011, pp. 115–120. 2011. arXiv:1103.0354.

[2] R. J. Barlow and C. Beeston, "Fitting using finite Monte Carlo samples", Comput. Phys. Commun. 77 (1993) 219–228, doi:10.1016/0010-4655(93)90005-W.

# Unfolding setup for $\cos \theta^N$

(Run2018)



- Response matrices of  $\cos \theta^N$  in each lepton channels
  - The off-diagonal components are smaller than 0.2
  - No regularization is used

# Systematic uncertainties

## Experimental uncertainties

- Luminosity
- Pileup
- Trigger efficiency
- Muon ID efficiency
- Muon isolation efficiency
- Electron ID efficiency
- Electron reconstruction efficiency
- b-tagging efficiency
- Jet energy resolution
- Jet energy scale
- Missing transverse energy reconstruction
- Other minor sources

## Theoretical uncertainties

- Parton Shower (ISR); t-ch, ttbar
- Parton Shower (FSR); t-ch, ttbar
- Matrix element scale  $\mu_R$ ; t-ch, ttbar, W+jet
- Matrix element scale  $\mu_F$ ; t-ch, ttbar, W+jet
- Resummation ( $h_{\text{damp}}$ ); ttbar
- UE tune (t-ch, ttbar)
- top quark mass; t-ch, tt/tW ( $\pm 1$  GeV)
- PDF
- top quark pair  $p_T$  reweight

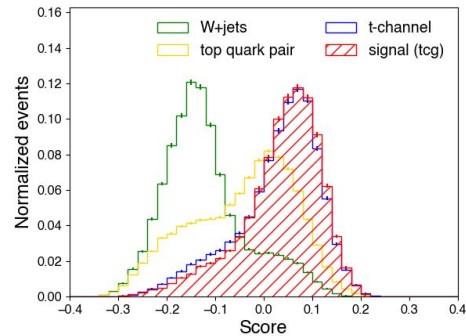
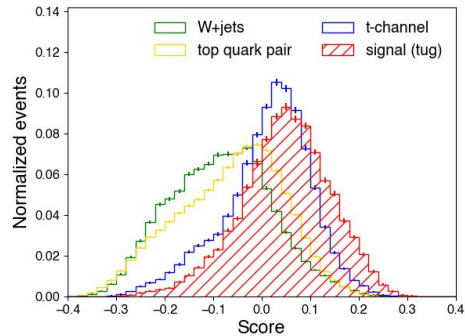
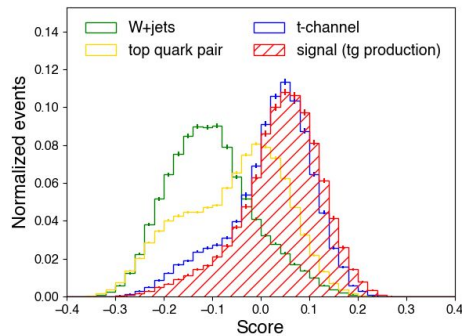
## MC sample size uncertainties

# Event Selection

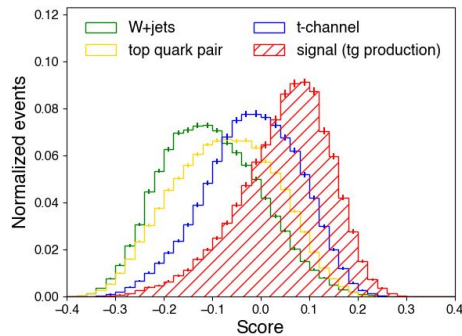
- Following a CMS study of single top quark t-channel process<sup>[1]</sup>
- Lepton
  - Muon:  $p_T > 30$  GeV,  $|\eta| < 2.4$ , rel. iso <sub>$\Delta R < 0.4$</sub>   $< 0.06$
  - Electron:  $p_T > 30$  GeV,  $|\eta| < 2.4$ , rel. iso <sub>$\Delta R < 0.3$</sub>   $< 0.06$
  - Veto muon:  $p_T > 15$  GeV,  $|\eta| < 2.4$ , rel. iso  $< 0.20$
  - Veto electron:  $p_T > 15$  GeV,  $|\eta| < 2.4$ , rel. iso  $< 0.20$
- Jet
  - anti- $k_T$  0.4,  $p_T > 40$  GeV,  $|\eta| < 2.4$ ,  $\Delta R(\text{lepton, jet}) > 0.4$
- b-tagged jet
  - $p_T > 40$  GeV,  $|\eta| < 2.4$ ,  $\Delta R(\text{lepton, jet}) > 0.4$
  - b-tagging efficiency: Like CMS CSVv2 medium working point
- Only one lepton without any additional veto lepton is required
- (the number of jets)  $\geq 2$ , (the number of b-tagged jets)  $\geq 1$
- $m_T(W) > 50$  GeV
  - In this region, we can ignore QCD background
- Two machine learning techniques, boosted decision tree (BDT) and self-attention jet-parton assignment (SAJA), are used to discriminate the FCNC events and SM events

# Results

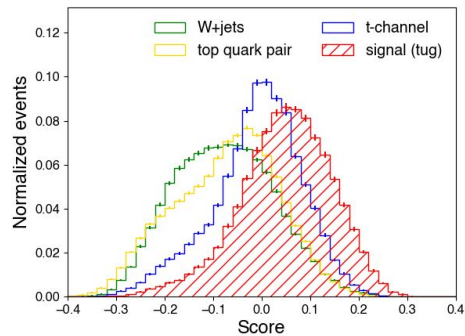
BDT



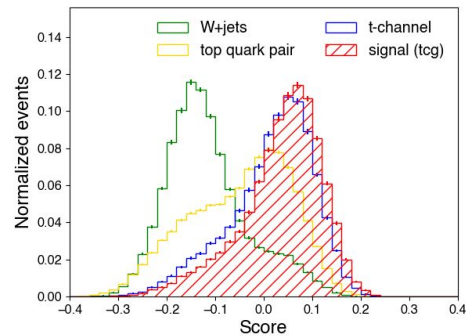
BDT+jet shape



tg production  
from tug + tcg FCNC



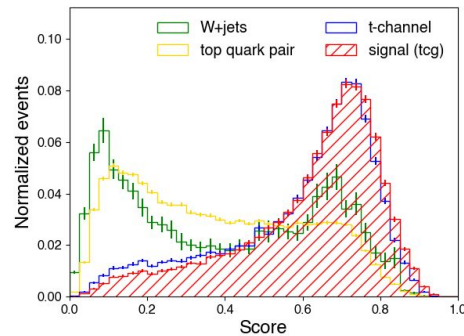
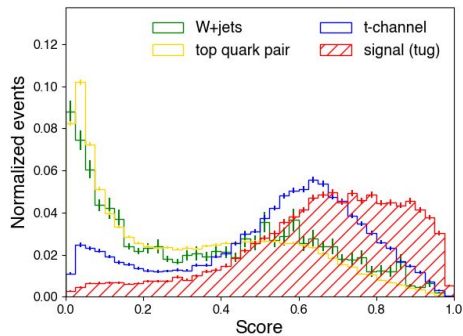
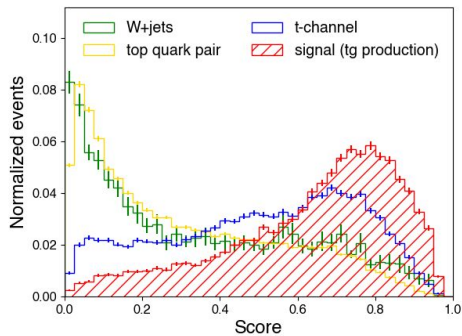
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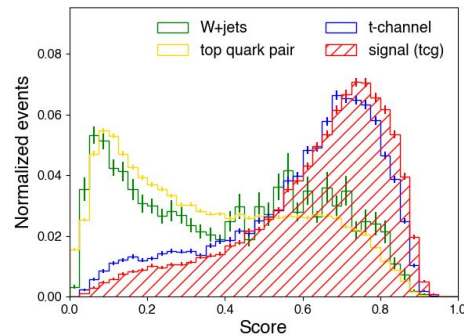
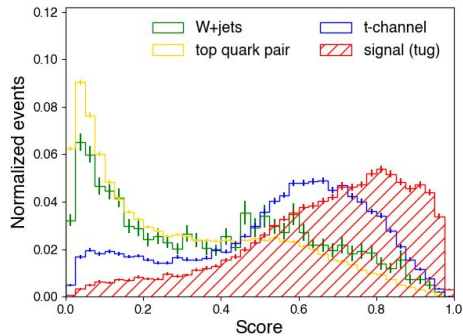
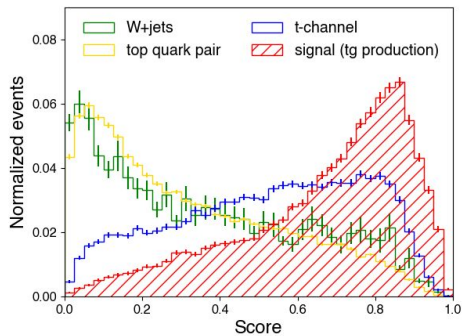
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# Results

SAJA



SAJA+jet shape



tg production  
from tug + tcg FCNC

tg/tq production  
from tug FCNC

tg/tq production  
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