

# Z+jets/ $\gamma$ +jets

Crucial for searches based on MET because  $\gamma$ +jets is used to estimate  $Z \rightarrow \nu\nu$  background

Results recently submitted by CMS: arXiv.1505.06250

- ▶ measures both Z and  $\gamma$  differential  $p_T$  distribution vs number of jets and calculate the ratio
- ▶ many details and plots can be found in <https://twiki.cern.ch/twiki/bin/view/CMSPublic/PhysicsResultsSMP14005>

For Z+jets events we select:

- ▶ two same flavour opposite sign leptons with  $p_T > 20$  GeV and  $|\eta| < 2.4$  and  $71 < M_{ll} < 111$  and  $p_T(l_2) > 40$  GeV
- ▶  $N_{jet} \geq 1$ , jet selection:  $p_T > 30$  GeV and  $|\eta| < 2.4$ , we remove jets within a radius of  $\Delta R < 0.5$  with respect to the axes of each lepton

For  $\gamma$ +jets events we select:

- ▶ a photon with  $p_T > 100$  GeV and  $|\eta| < 1.4$
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# Theory predictions

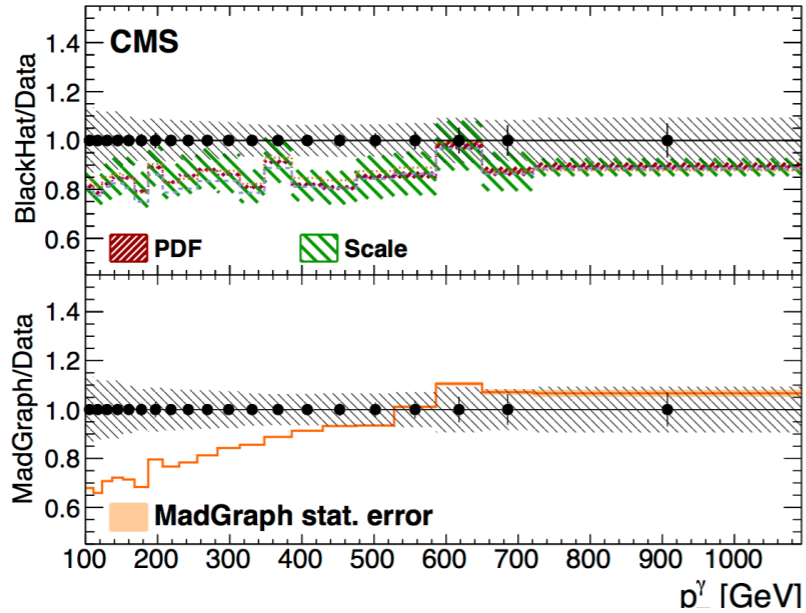
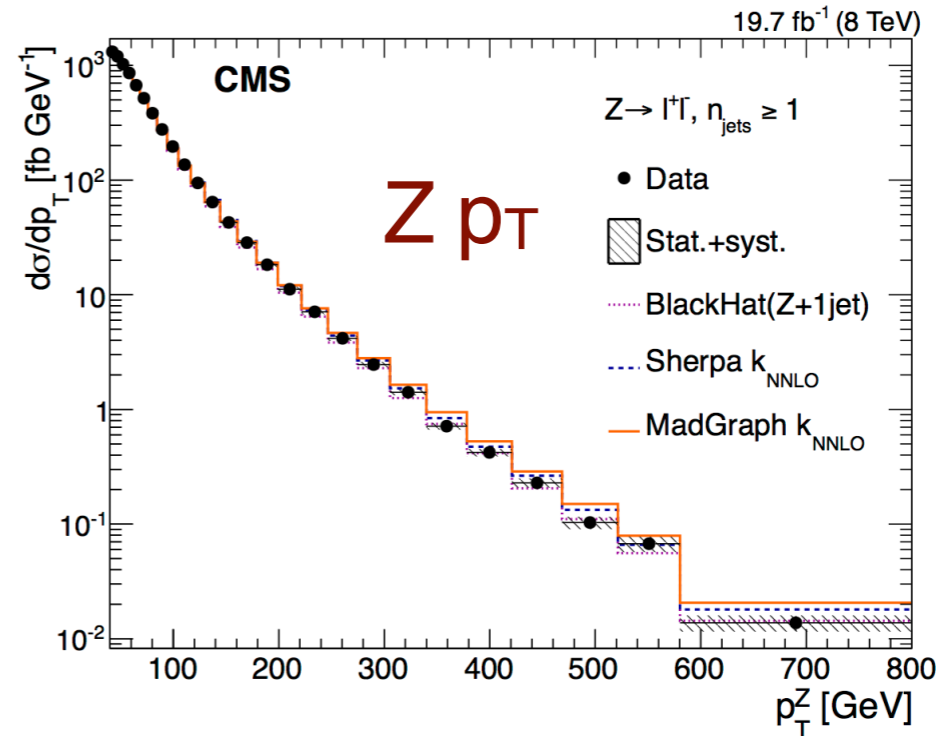
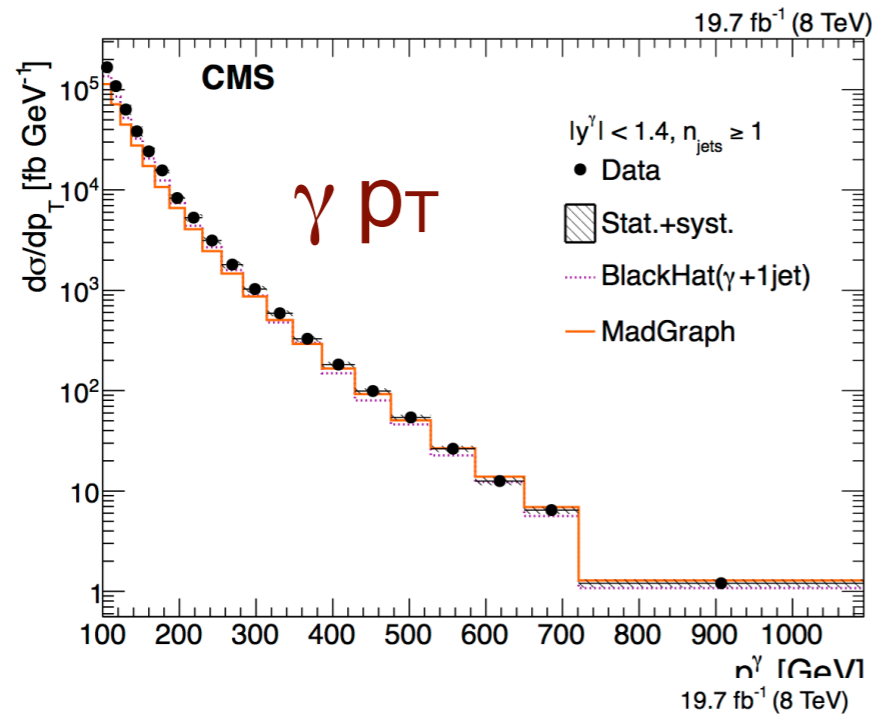
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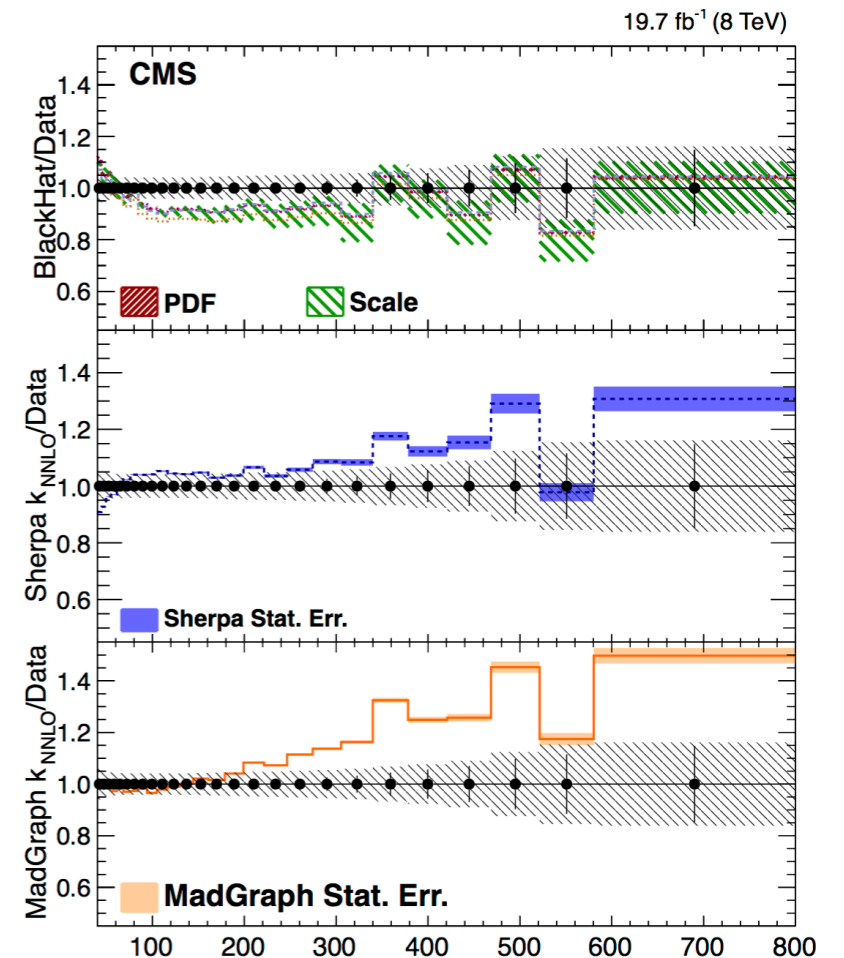
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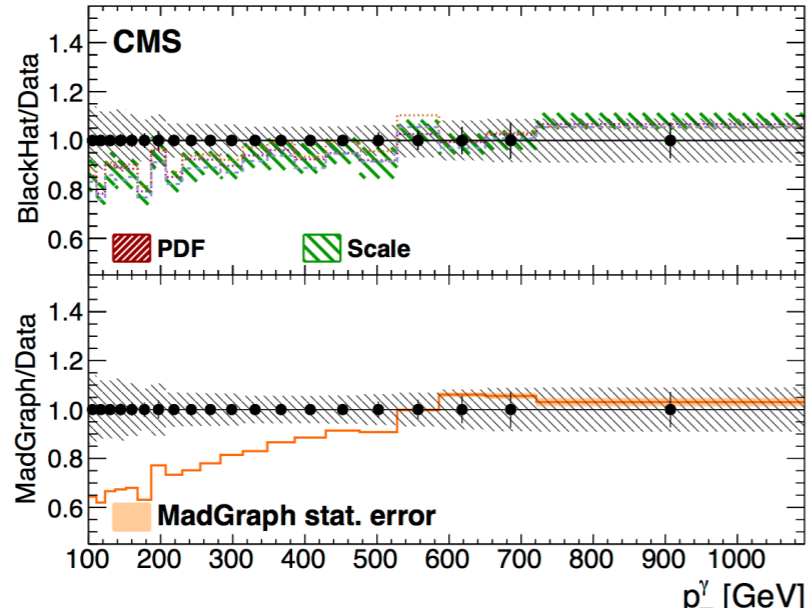
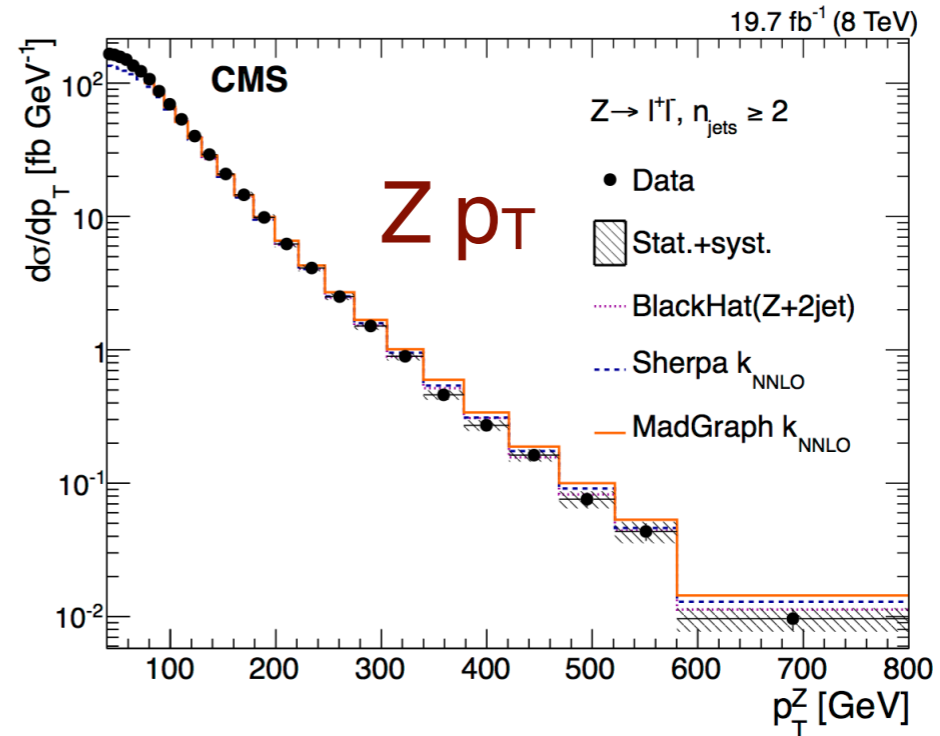
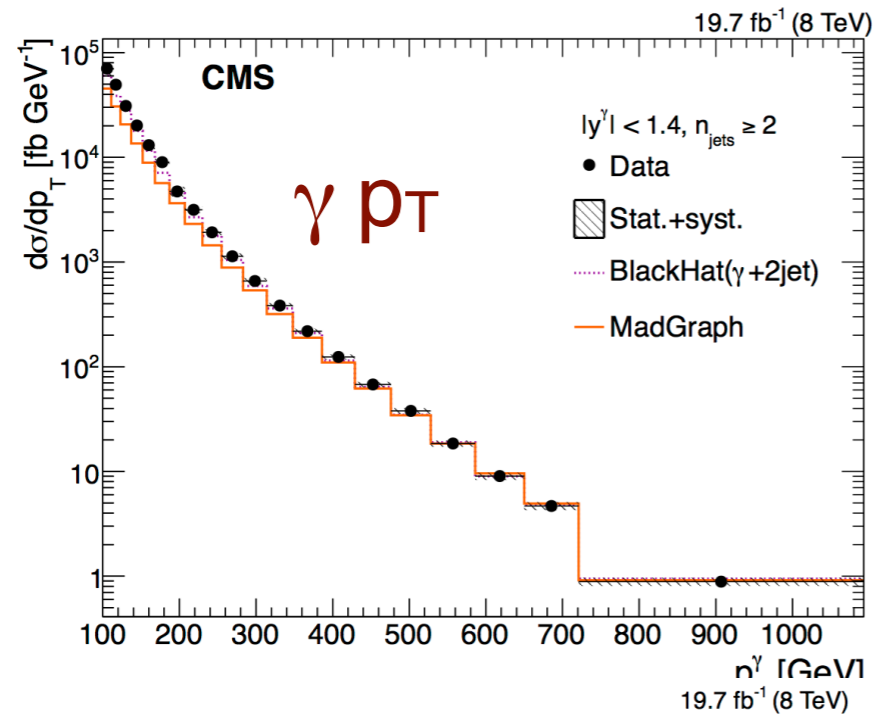


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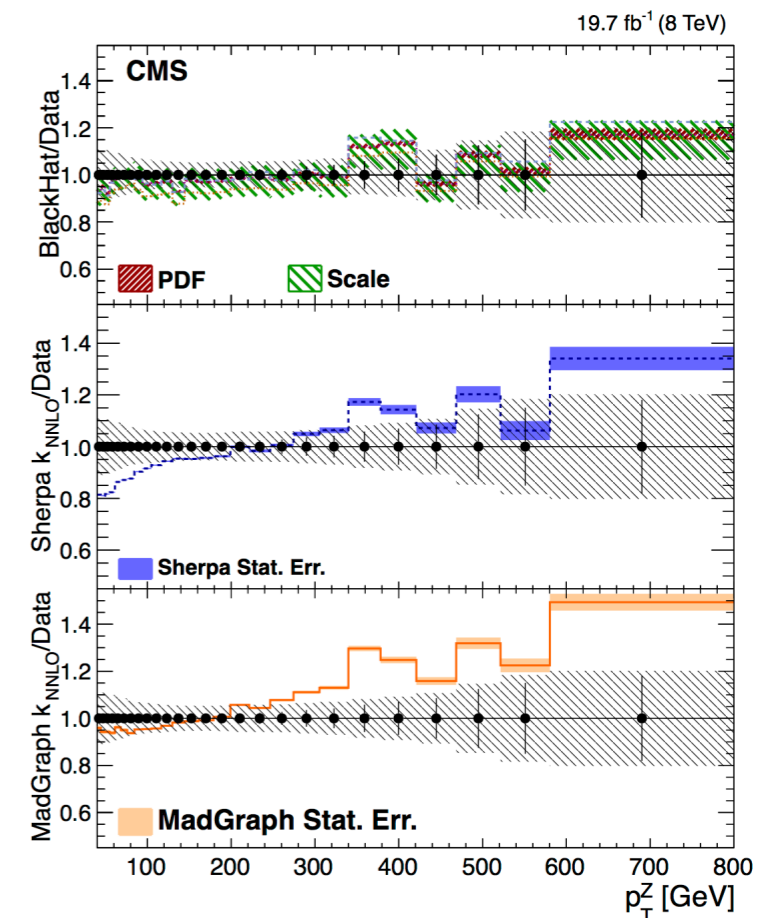


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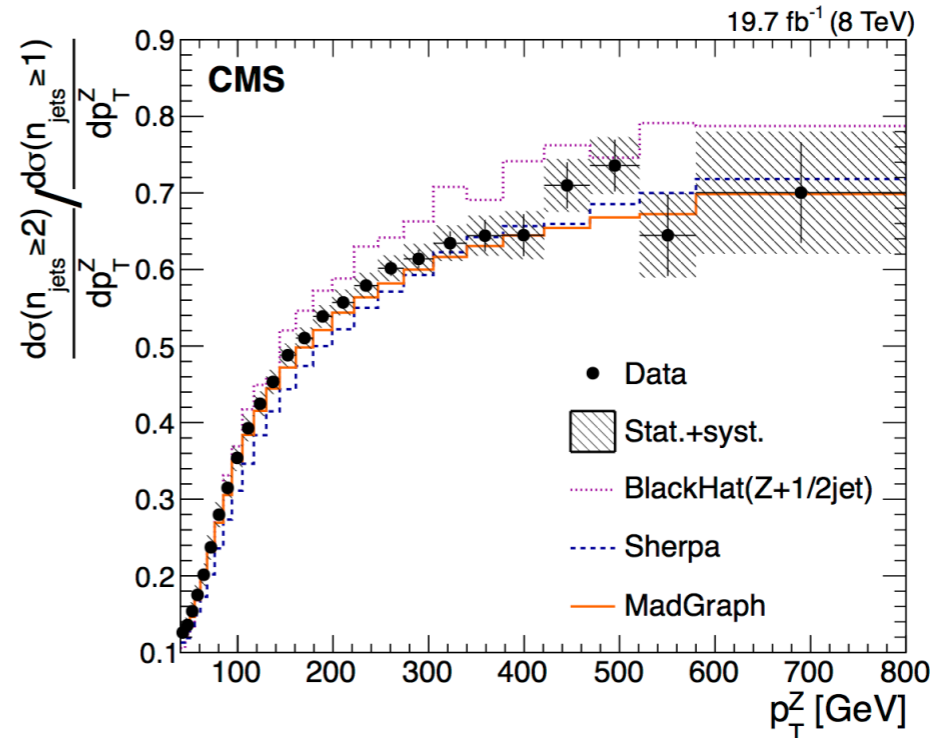
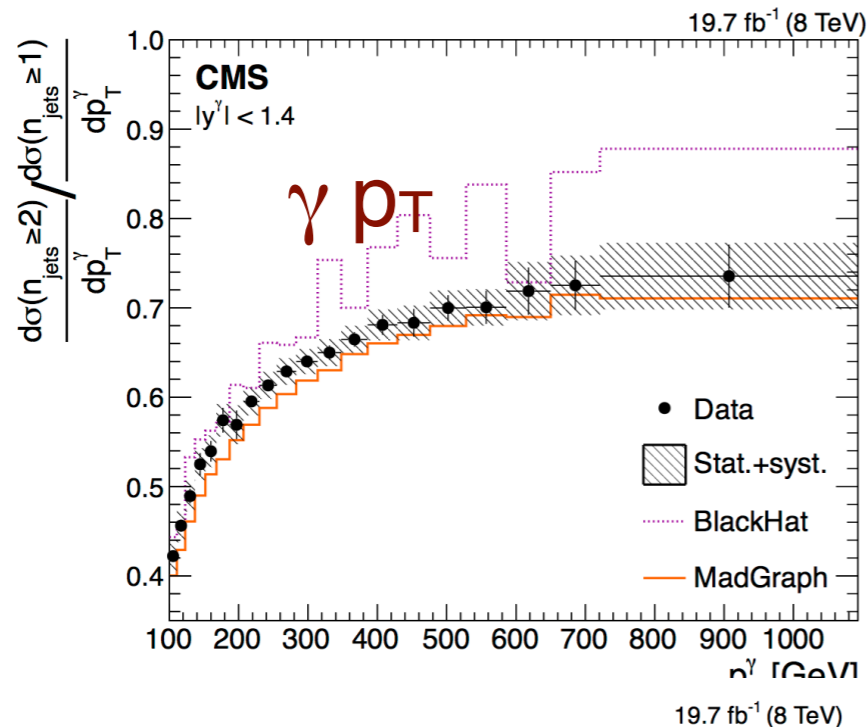


$N_{\text{jet}} \geq 2$



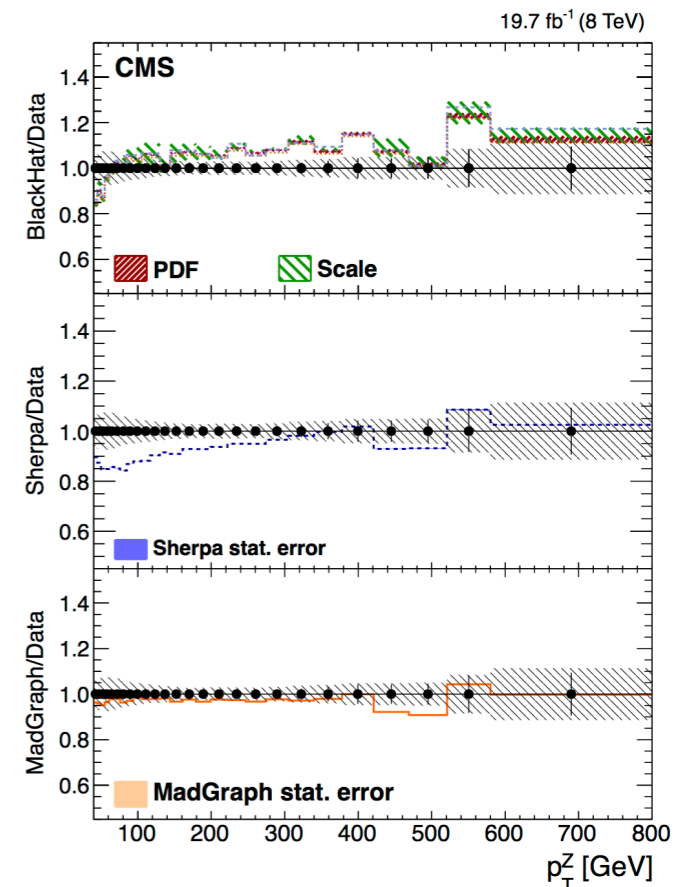
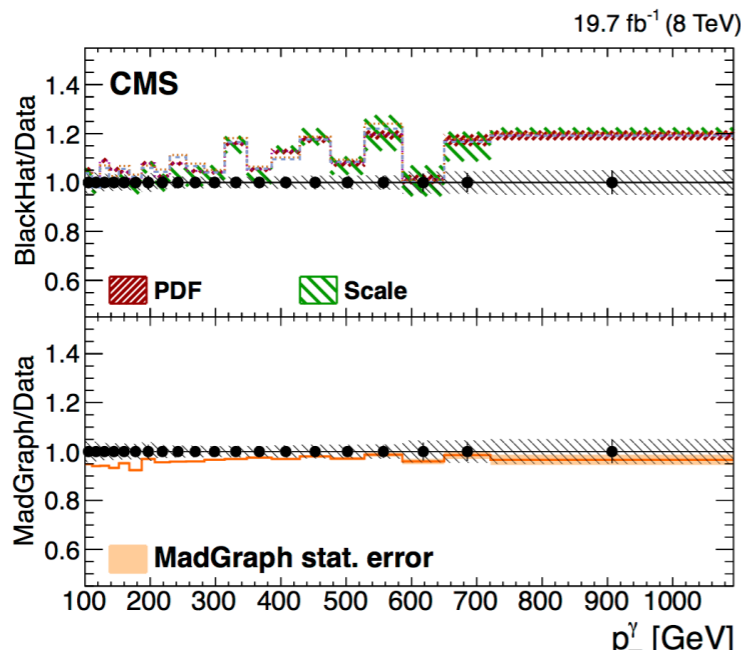
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Z  $p_T$

$N_{jet} \geq 1 / N_{jet} \geq 2$

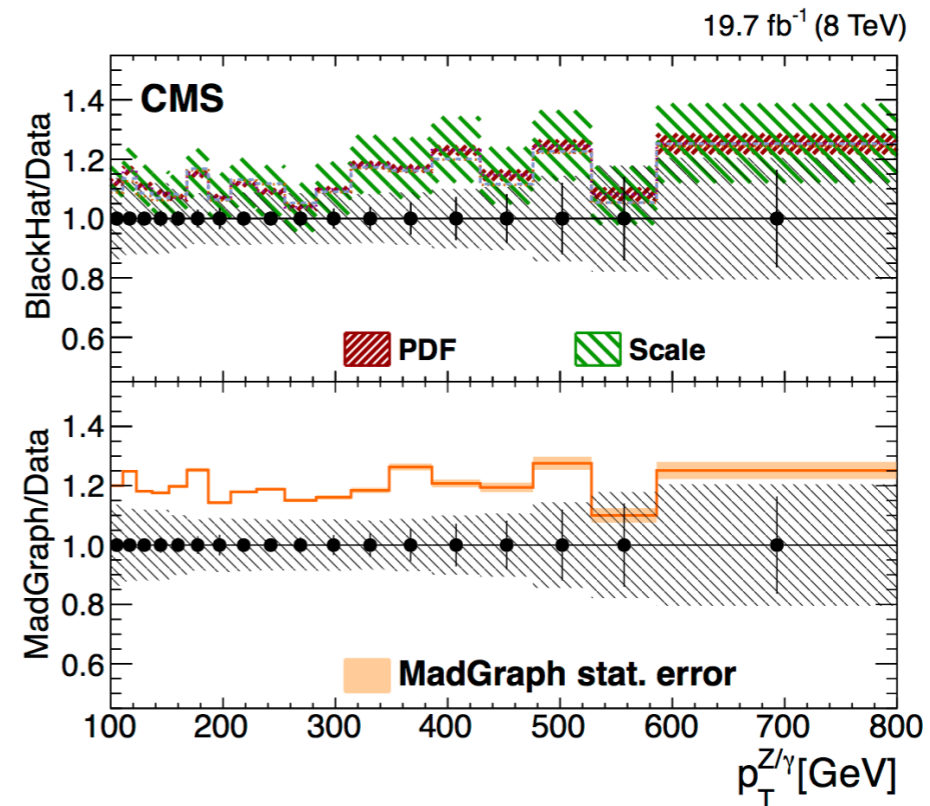
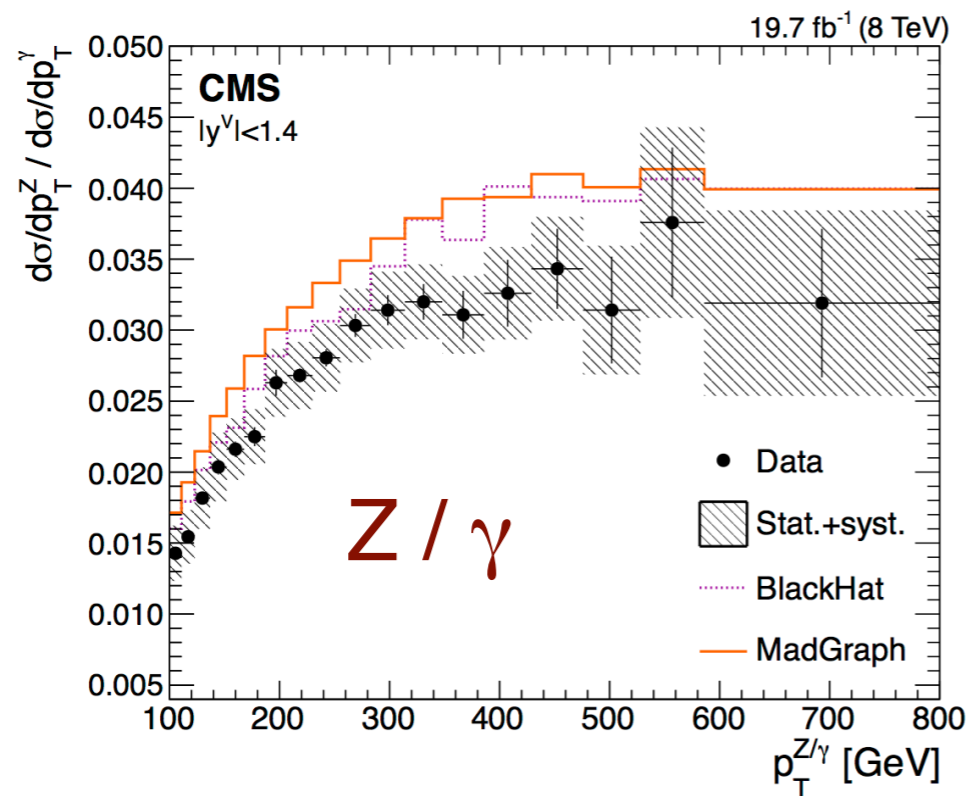


- ▶ ratio  $N_{jet} \geq 1 / N_{jet} \geq 2$  is well described by MadGraph and BH
- ▶ some discrepancy at low  $p_T$  in Sherpa

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LO predictions for the ratio vs data off by 20% but flat!

BH prediction (NLO for both processes) are also  $\sim 10\%$  larger than data



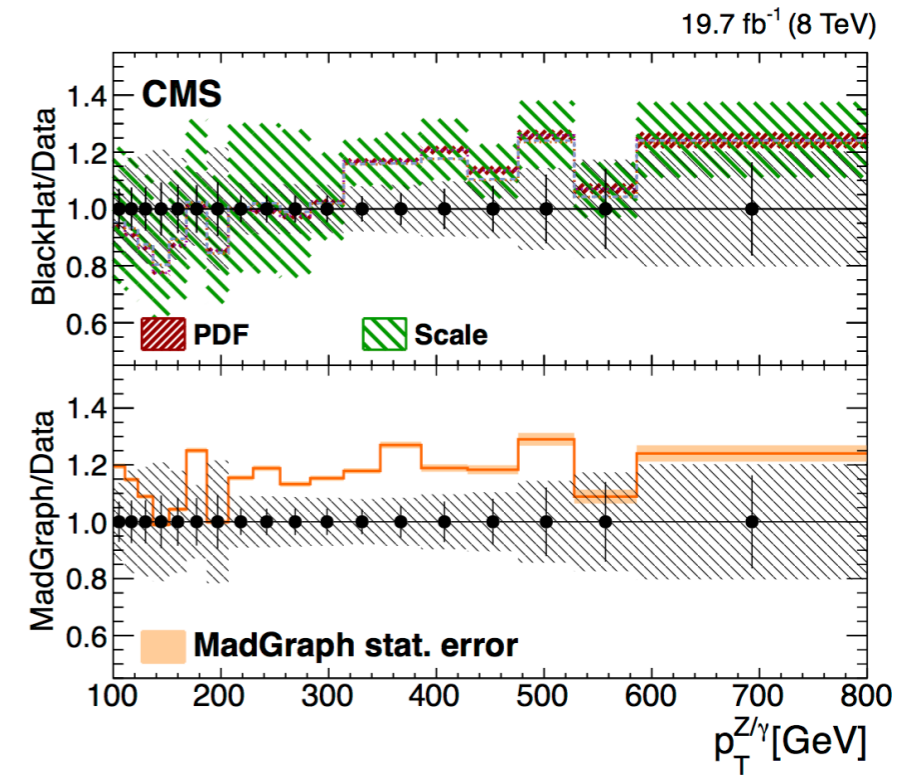
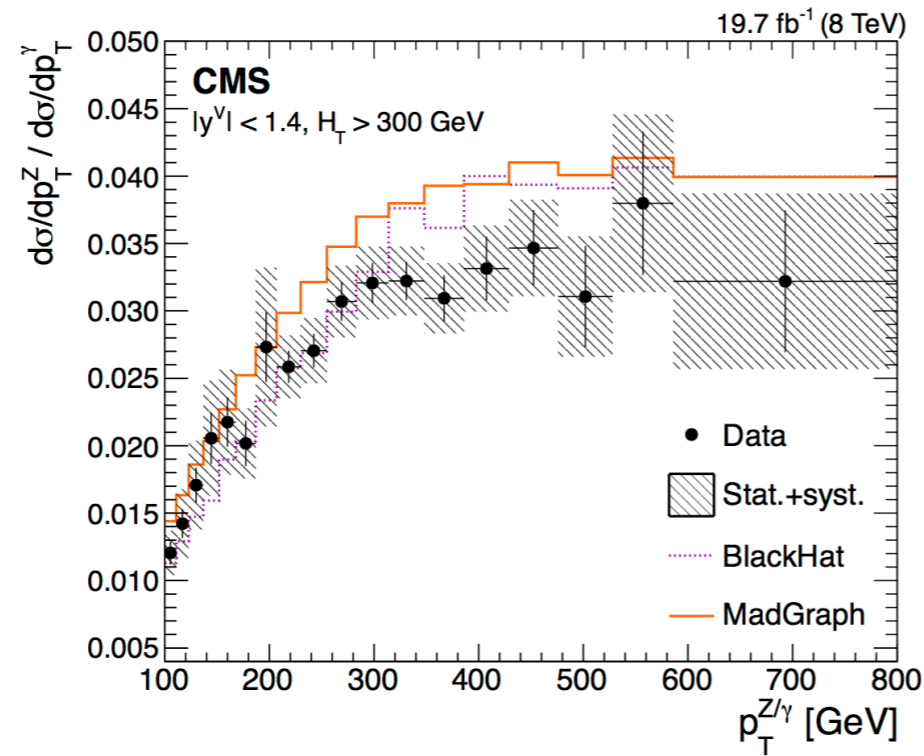
## Scale uncertainty of NLO predictions

- ▶ scale  $H_T' = H_T + E_T(Z, \gamma)$
- ▶ cancel in the ratio if considered fully correlated between the two processes
- ▶ would clearly underestimate the theoretical uncertainty
- ▶ largest relative scale uncertainty on each process used for the uncertainty on the ratio

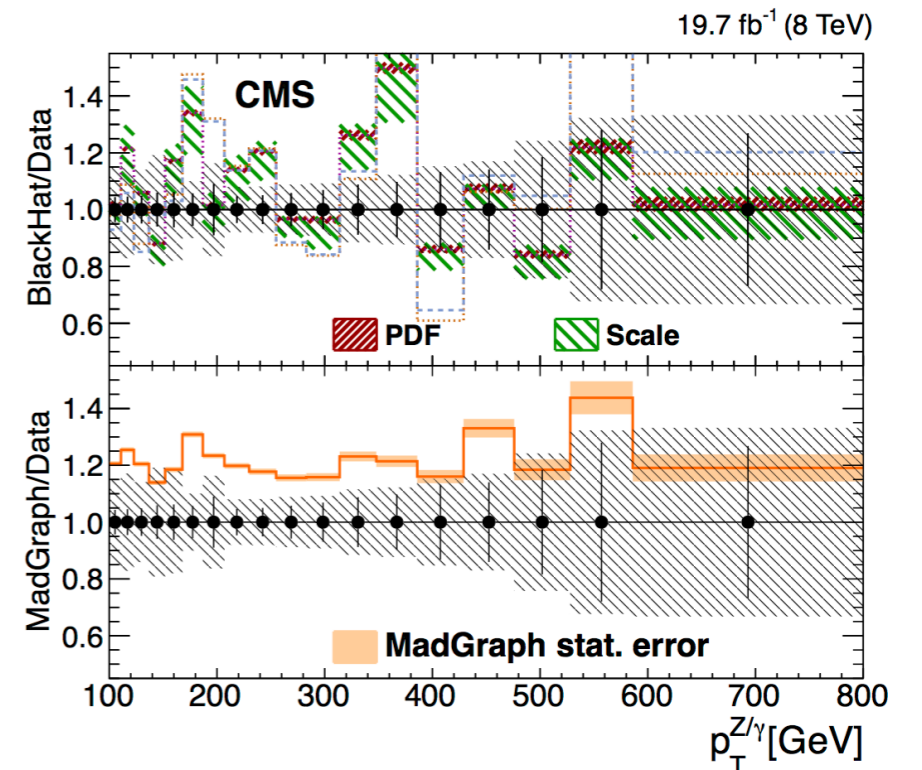
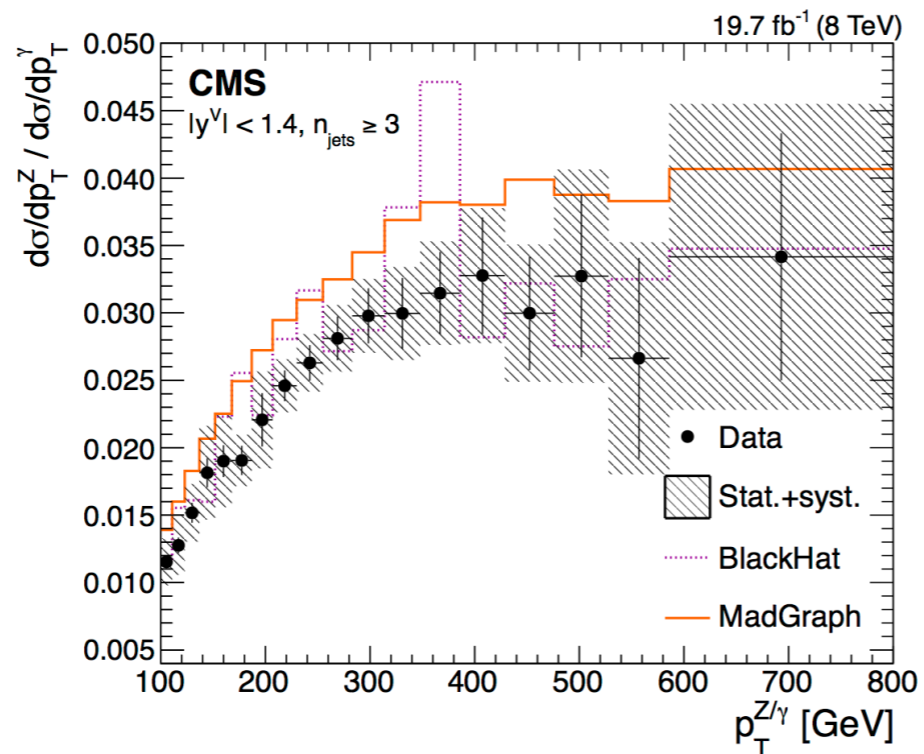
# Z+jets/ $\gamma$ +jets

The ratio mc/data improves for events with many jets or larger HT

HT > 300 GeV



Njet ≥ 3

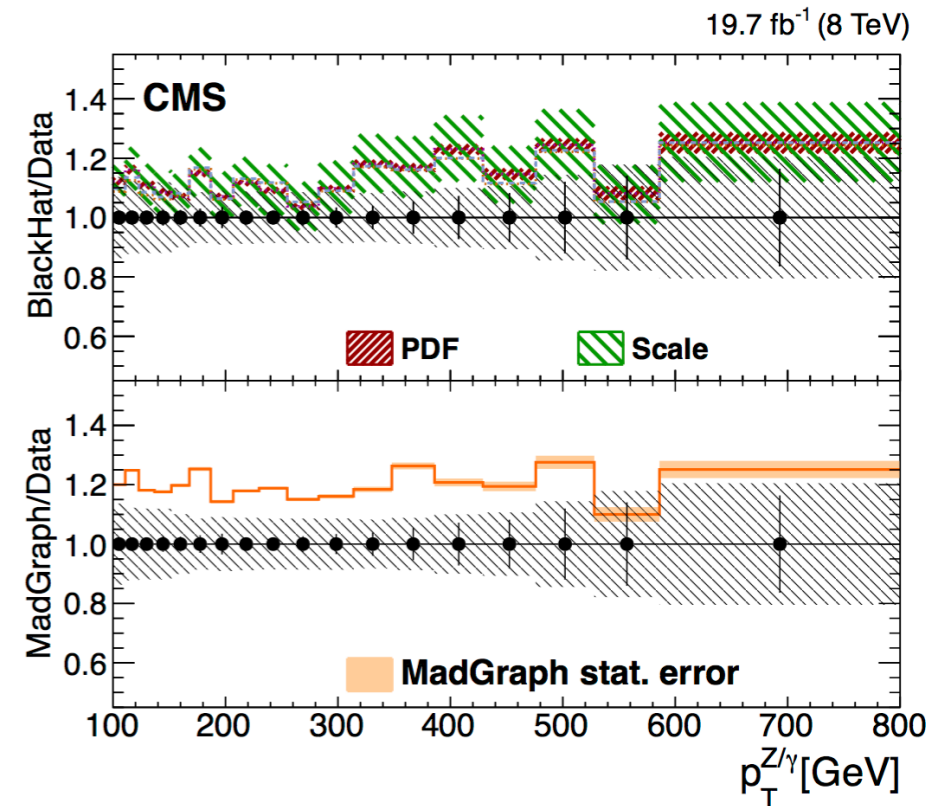
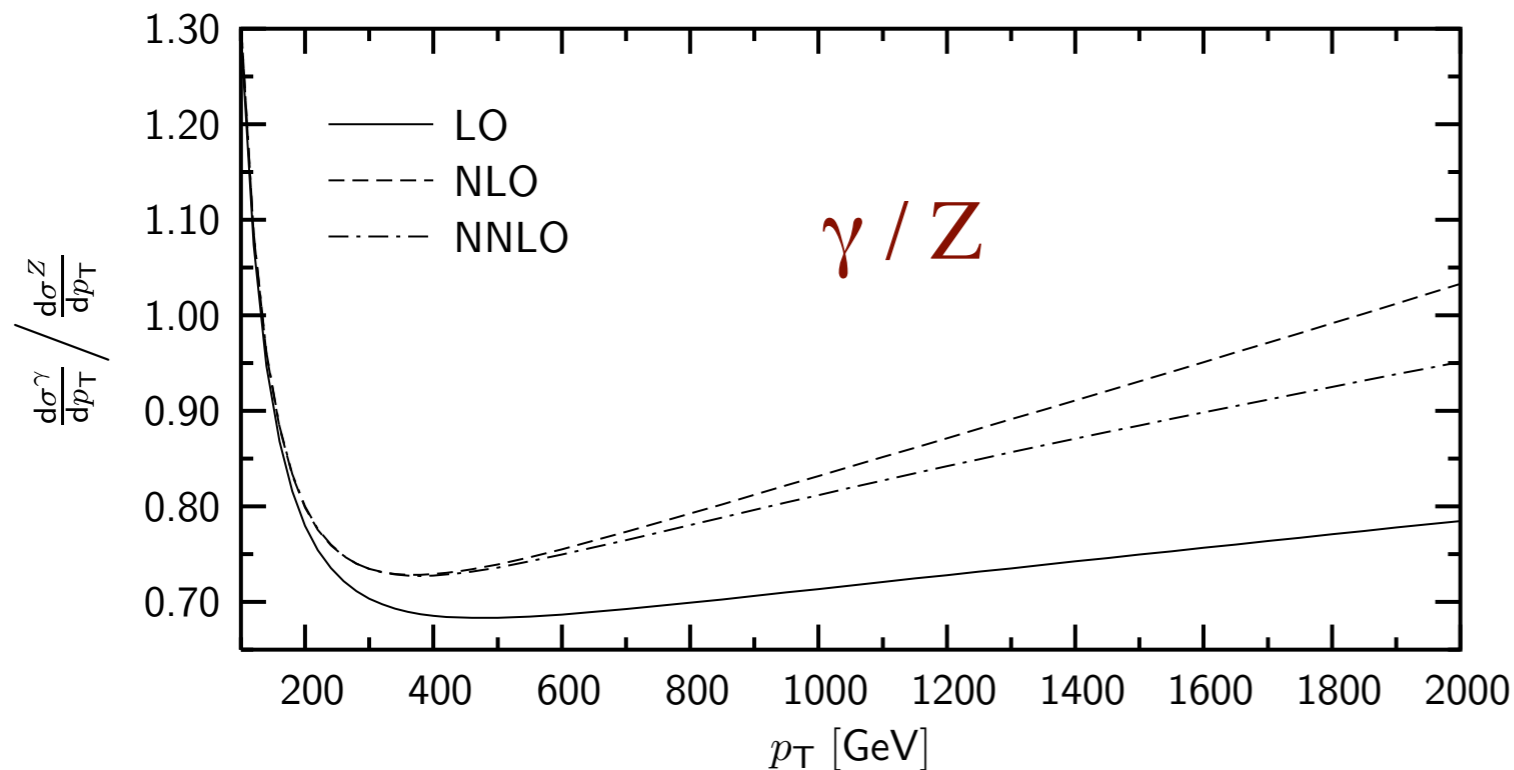


# EWK corrections to $Z$ +jets/ $\gamma$ +jets

Khün et al. JHEP0603:059,2006

EWK corrections are  $\sim 10\%$  at  $\sqrt{s} = 14$  TeV for up to 1 TeV

- ▶ *NNLO here means dominant 2-loop EWK*



Somewhat smaller at 8 TeV but they could explain the difference

- ▶ *for  $\sqrt{s} = 2$  TeV corrections are  $< 5\%$  for up to 400 GeV  $p_T$ )*