|                             | Run 1   | Run 2   |
|-----------------------------|---|---|
| Final state                 | $\mu$ +jets   | $\mu$ +jets and <b>e+jets</b>   |
| Strategy                    | Cutoff-based:<br>untagged jet $ \eta  > 2.5$<br>$\mu$ charge = +1 | Multivariate:<br>Boosted decision tree (BDT) per lepton flavour<br>Any lepton charge<br>Optimised thresholds on BDT responses |
| Fit observable              | Reconstructed $m_t (m_{\mu\nu b})$                                | $\zeta = \ln(m_{\rm t}/1{\rm GeV})$   |
| Signal and background norm. | No constraints  | Constrained in final fit  |
| QCD multijet background     | Absorbed into EW (V+jets and VV) category during final fit        | Subtracted from data before final fit;<br>separate systematic uncertainty for its modelling                                   |
| Fit model validation        | Using events with $\mu$ charge = $-1$                             | Using orthogonal region based on the BDT values   |