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## (G\*) Most precise measurement of the top-quark pair production cross-section in the single-lepton channel

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The inclusive top-quark pair  $(t\bar{t})$  production cross-section was measured in proton-proton collisions at a center of mass energy of 5 TeV with 257 pb $^{-1}$  of data collected by the ATLAS detector. The  $t\bar{t}$  cross-section measurement at a lower center of mass helps to further constrain the gluon Parton Distribution Function (PDF) at high Bjorken x. The cross-section is first measured individually in both the dilepton and single-lepton channels of the  $t\bar{t}$  decay before being combined. The measurement in the dilepton channel is measured using a "cut-and-count" approach whereas the single-lepton measurement utilizes a Boosted Decision Tree (BDT) trained on Monte Carlo to separate signal from background. The output distribution of the BDT is the fit to data in a profile-likelihood fit leading to the single-lepton measurement being the most precise single measurement of the  $t\bar{t}$  cross-section. The combined cross-section improves this measurement by an additional 10%. The results are used to further constrain PDFs at 5 TeV center-of-mass energy.

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