

Recent Di-boson & Polarization Measurement in ATLAS

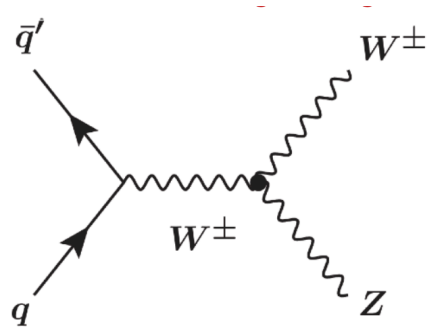
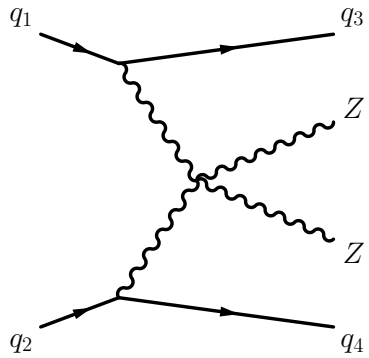
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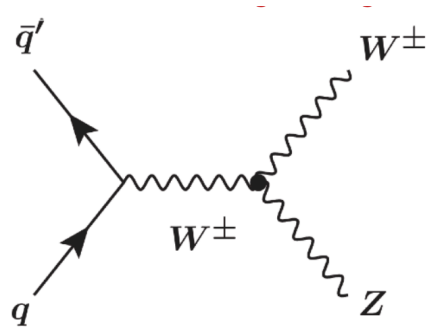
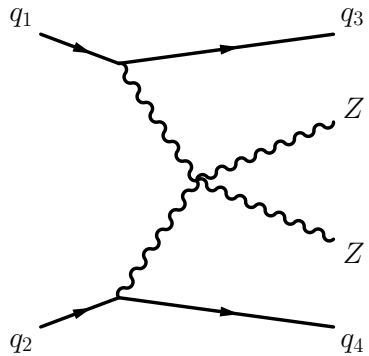
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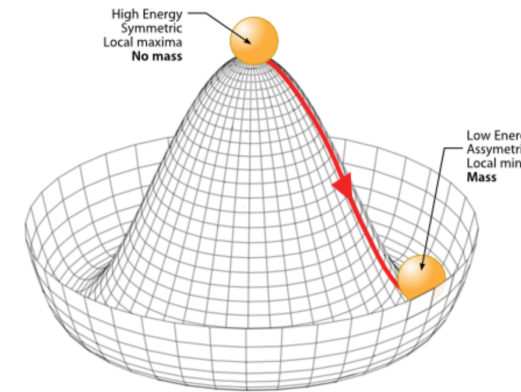
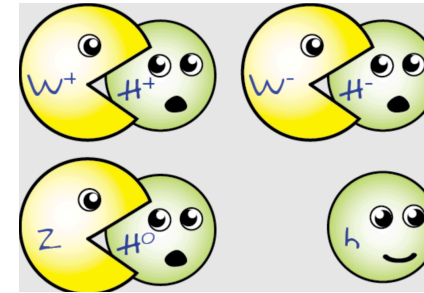
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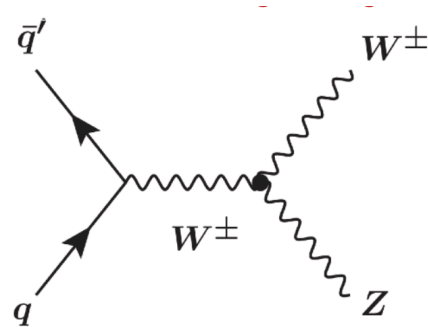
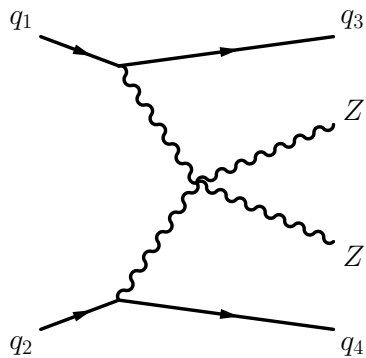
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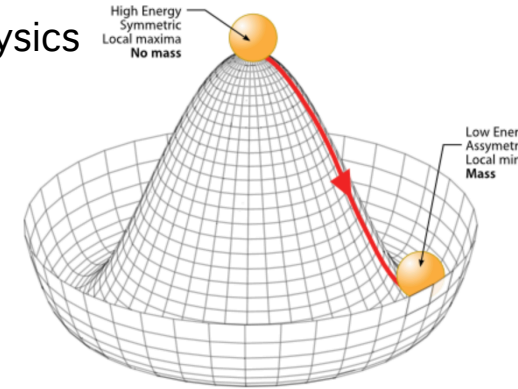
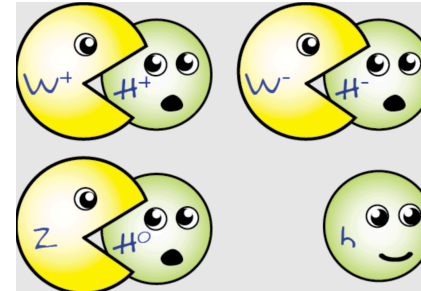
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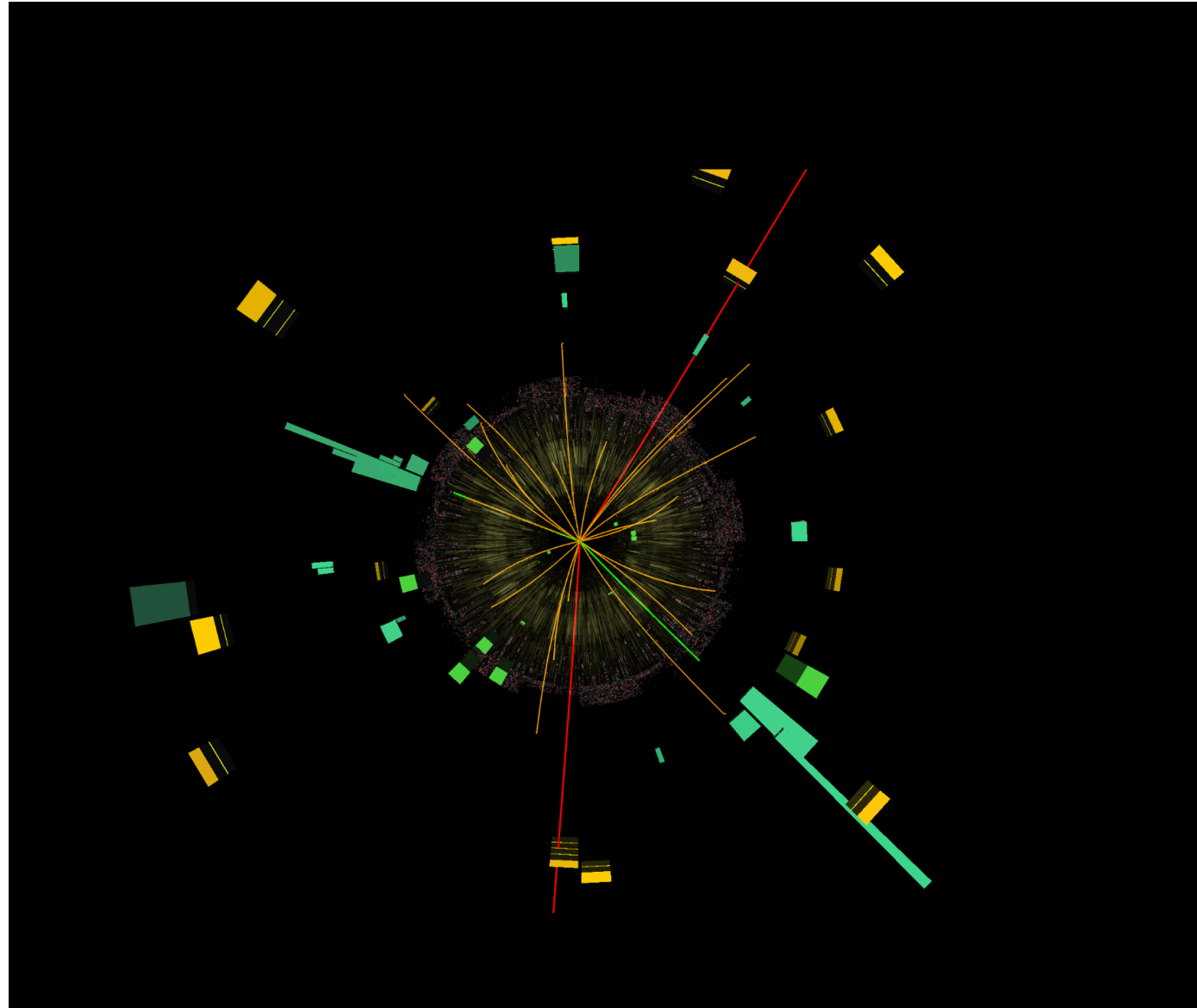
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- ➔ This talk focuses on 3 recent analyses from ATLAS with ZZ & WZ in leptonic final state
 - ▶ Clean detector signature with prompt leptons

- ▶ 13.6 TeV ZZ measurement [arXiv:2311.09715](https://arxiv.org/abs/2311.09715)
- ▶ 13 TeV measurement ZZ Polarization & CP violation search [JHEP12\(2023\)107](https://arxiv.org/abs/2205.12712)
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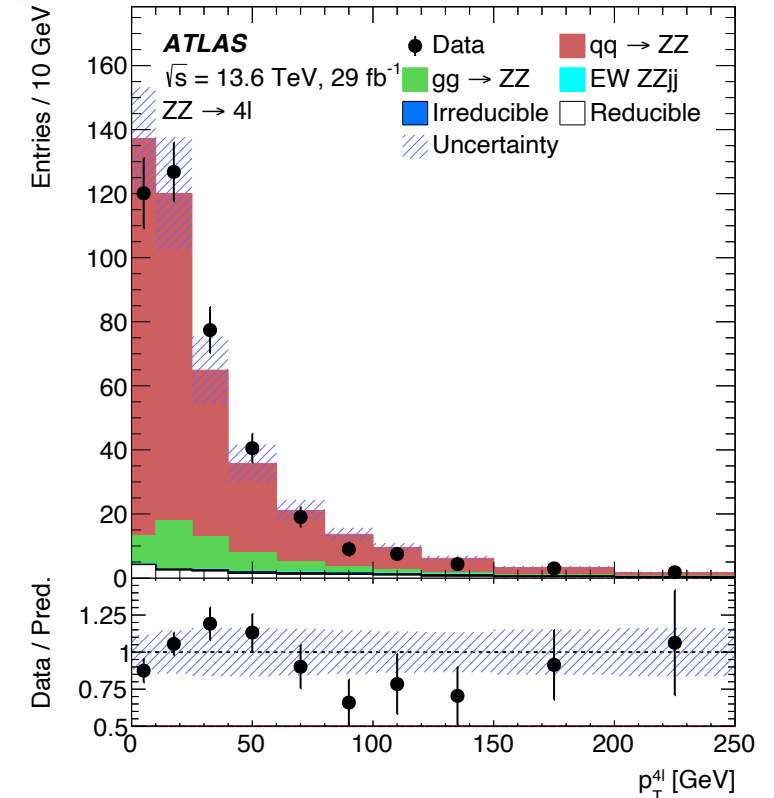
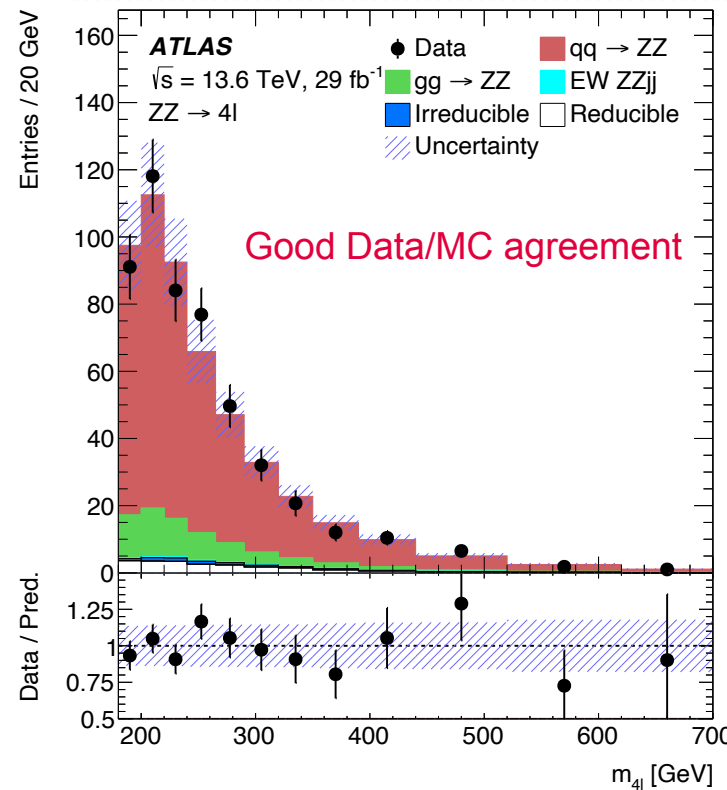
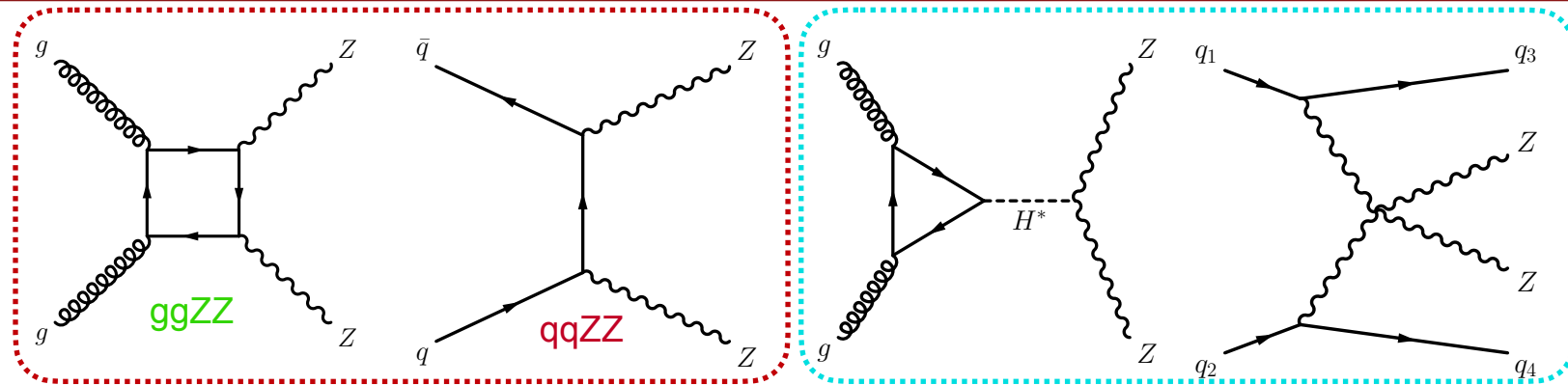
- First measurement of ZZ cross-section at 13.6 TeV
- Partial Run-3 29fb⁻¹ of data



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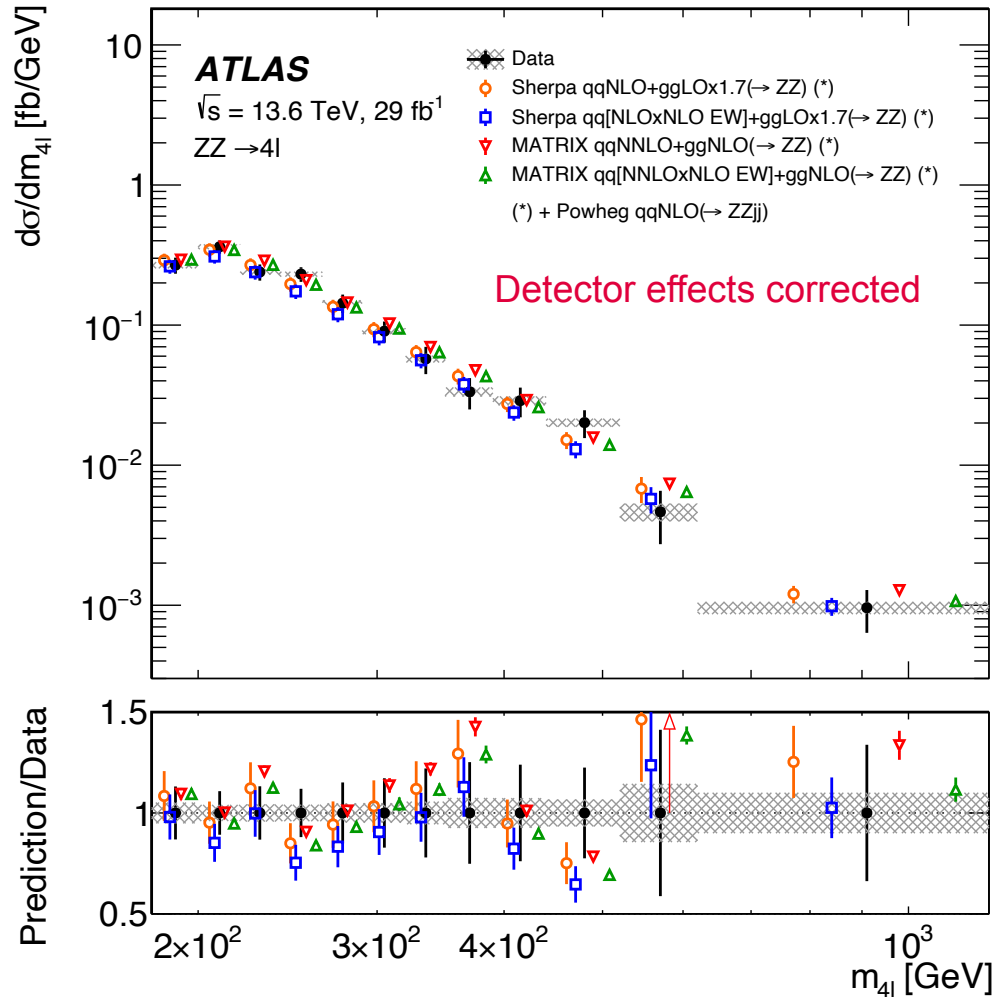
- QCD (dominant) & EWK production
- On-shell ZZ measurement

- Each Z decay to same flavor opposite sign lepton pairs
- Small fraction of irreducible (ttV & VVV) and non-prompt lepton background



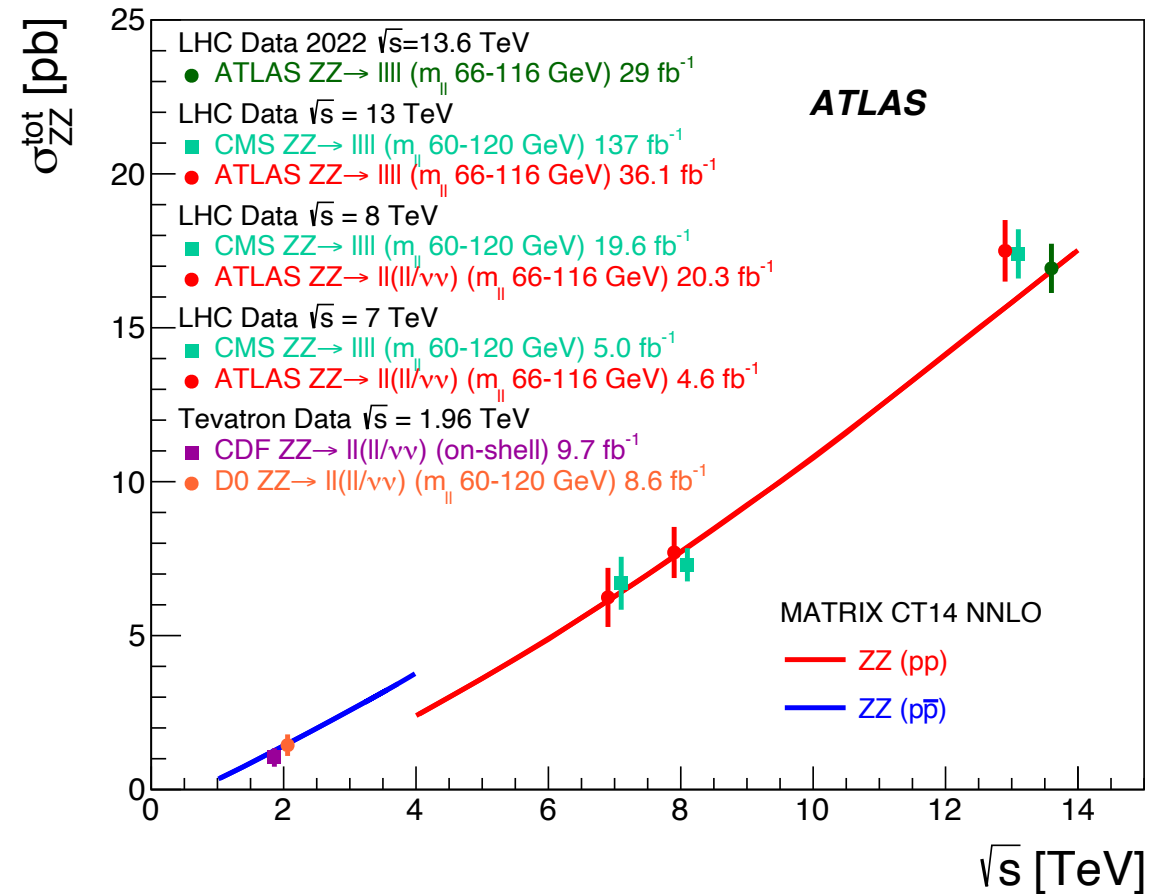
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➔ Inclusive & differential cross-section measurements with comparison to various state-of-the-art MC predictions

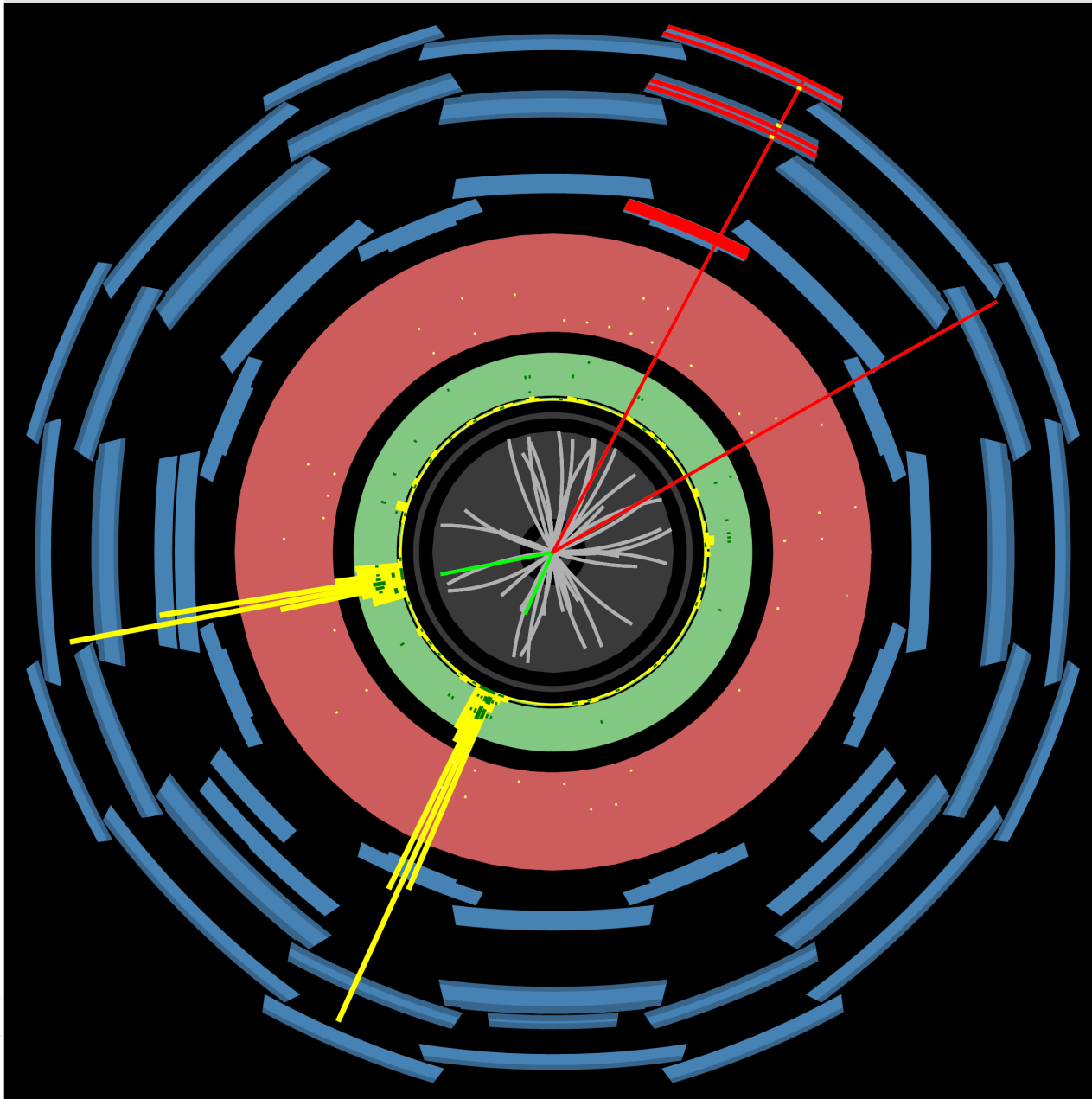


➔ No deviation from Standard Model prediction

➔ ZZ(4l) total cross-section vs center of mass energy



Full Run-2 13TeV ZZ Angular CP & Polarization

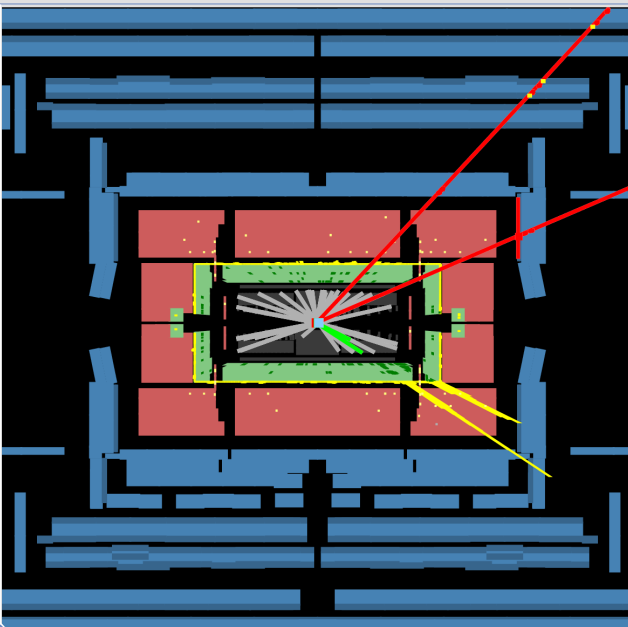


→ 13 TeV Full Run-2 analysis



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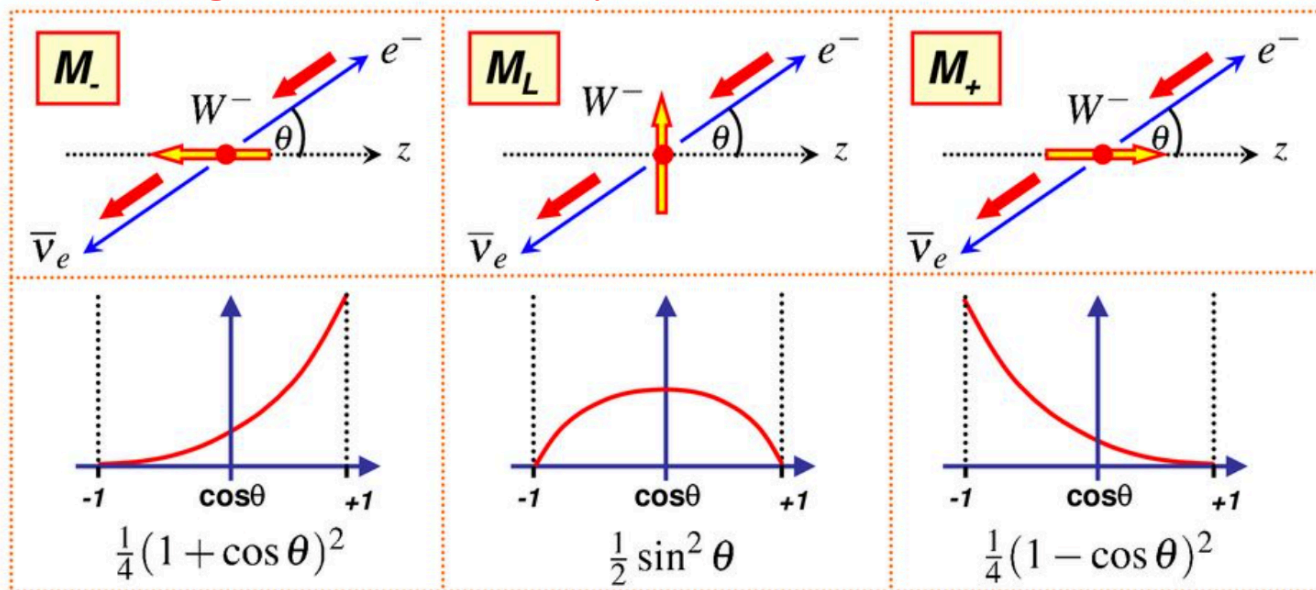


A smaller version of the detector cross-section shown in the main figure, positioned in the bottom right of the panel. It features the same concentric rings and central track structure.

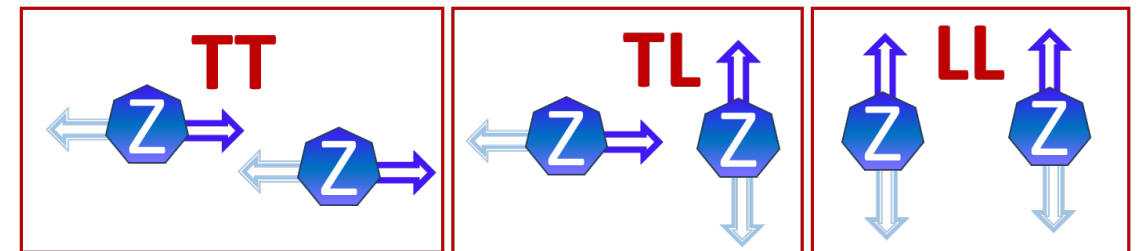
ZZ Angular CP & Polarization

- Reconstructed angular information for all final state particle, **golden channel for polarization measurement**
- Target to measure simultaneously longitudinally polarized ZZ & search for CP violation
- Due to conservation of angular momentum, vector bosons with different polarization states have different production & decay angular distributions

For single Vector boson decay



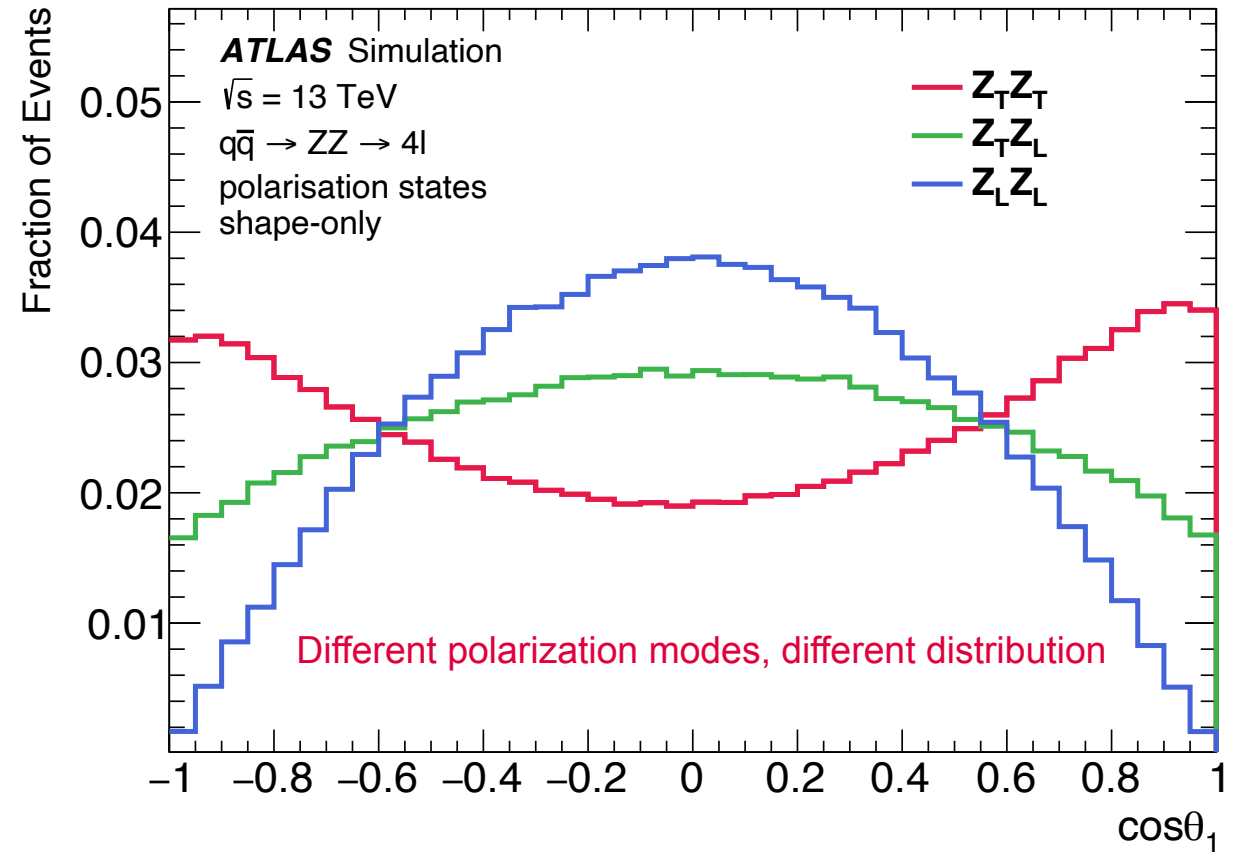
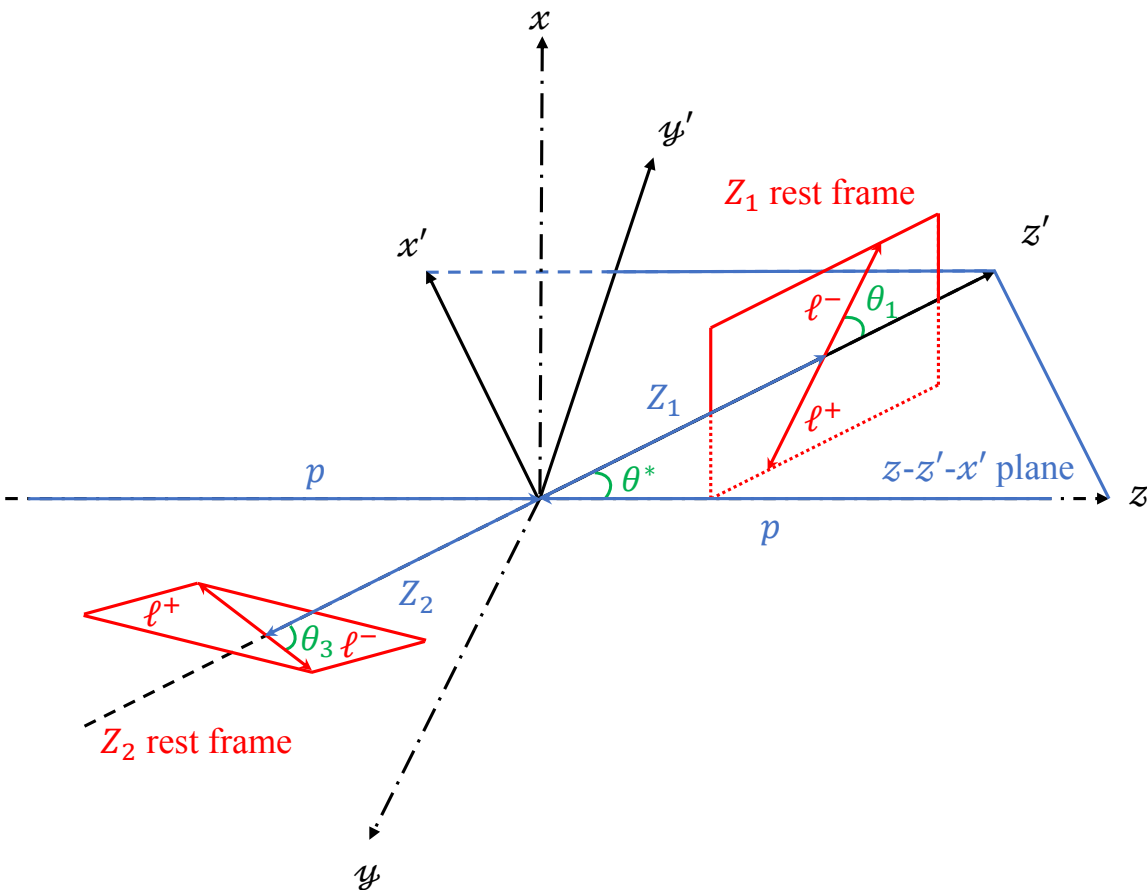
For two vector boson decay



Direction of motion

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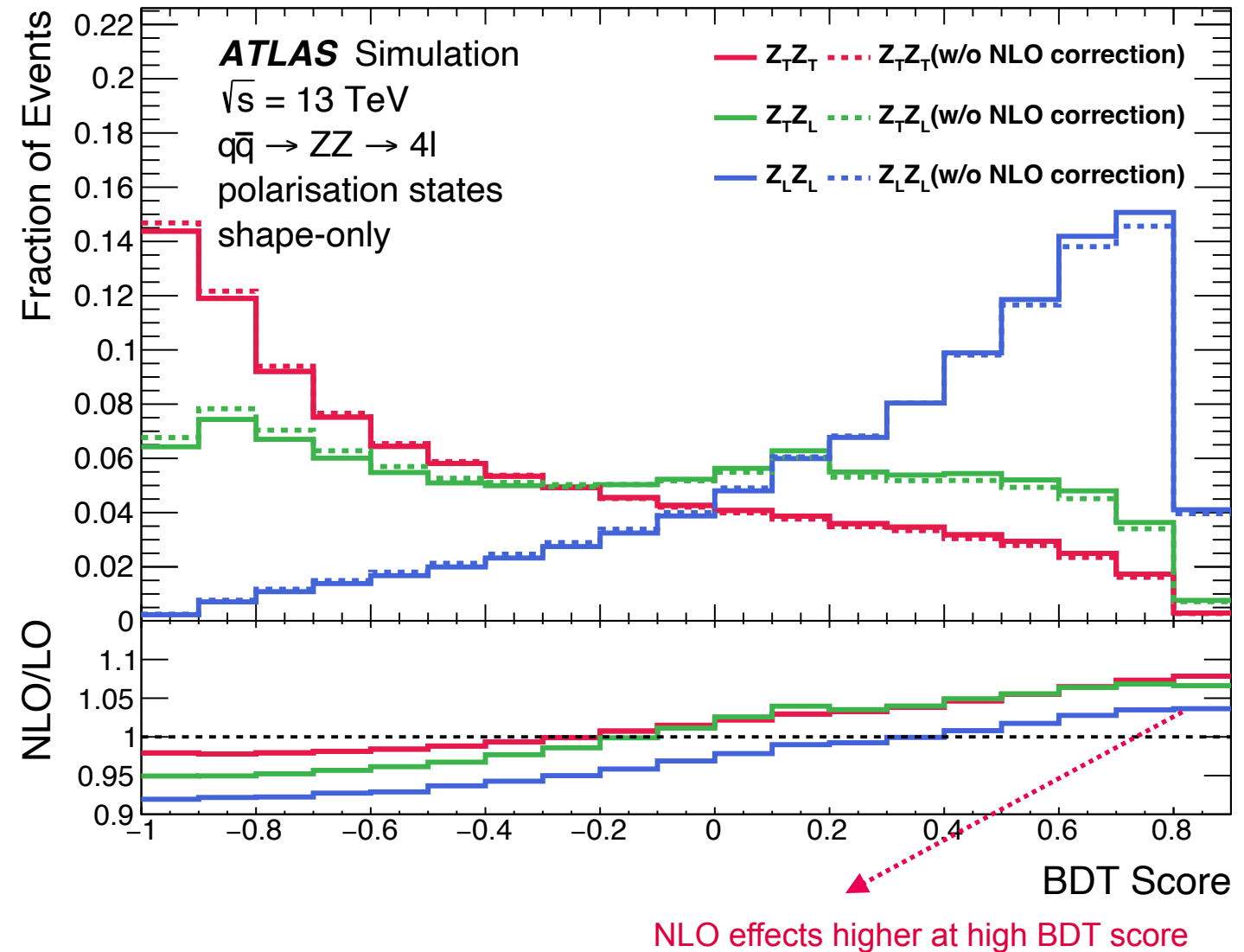
Angles defined in either ZZ or Z rest frames



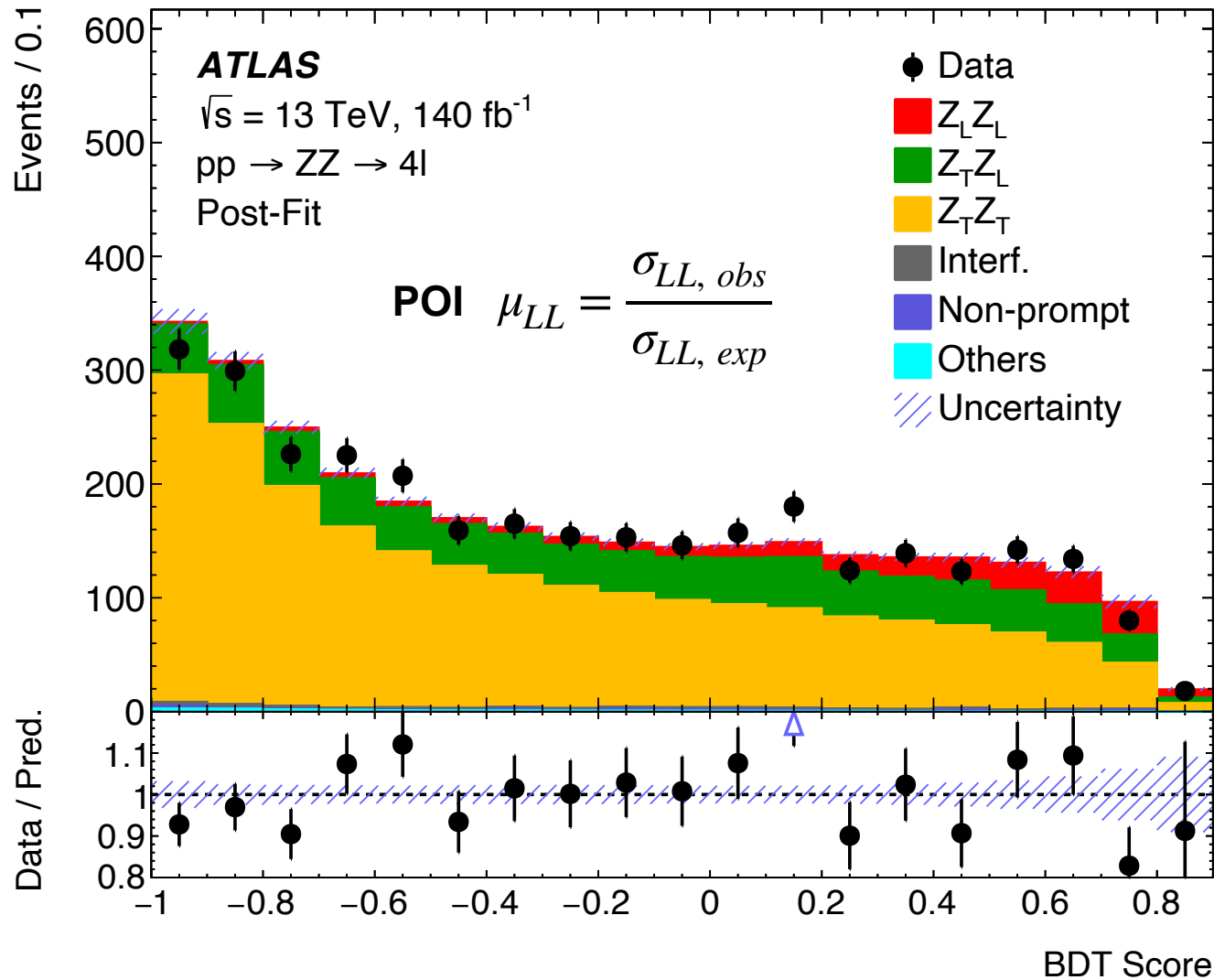
➔ MVA trained using angular observables to extract $Z_L Z_L$

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- ➔ Main challenge, getting NLO corrected polarized template
- ➔ qqZZ LO template available, additional NLO correction
 - ▶ Correction applied using 1 & 2 dimensional reweighing process using numerical calculations from [JHEP10\(2021\)097](#)



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$$\mu_{LL} = 1.15 \pm 0.27 \pm 0.11$$

stat sys

**First experimental
 4.3 σ evidence of $Z_L Z_L$**

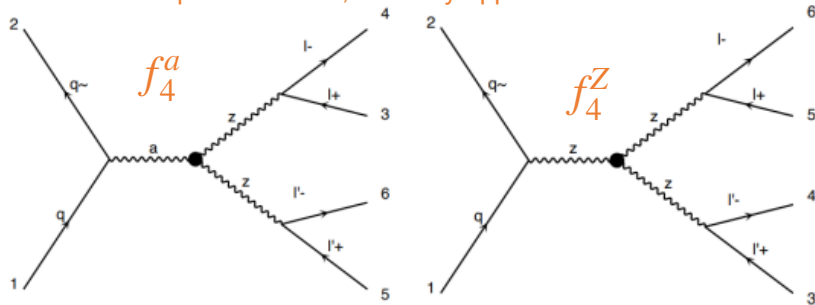
	σ [fb]
Observed	$2.45 \pm 0.56 \pm 0.21$
Expected	2.10 ± 0.09

➔ No deviation from Standard Model prediction

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- ➔ Model independent dimension-8 EFT to search for CP violation in diboson sector
- ➔ Consider two CP-odd operators

These vertices not present in SM, and only appears at dimension-8 EFT

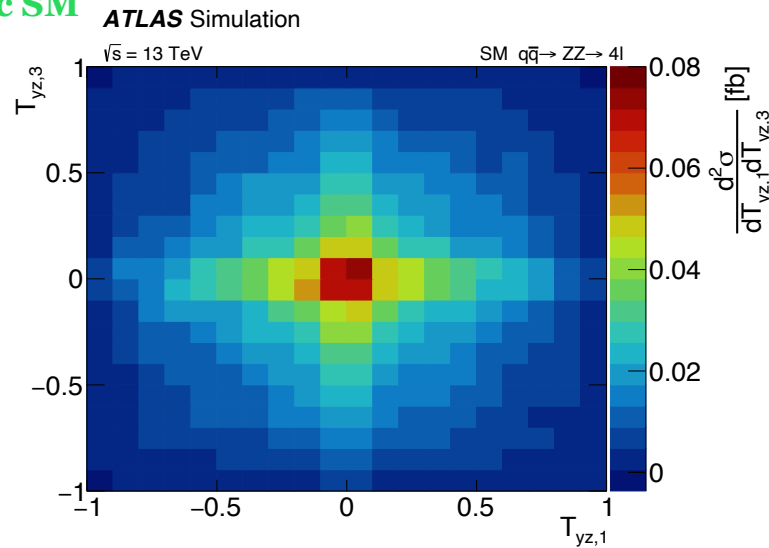


$$\sigma_{pred} = \sigma_{SM} + \boxed{c \cdot \sigma_{interf}} + c^2 \cdot \sigma_{quad}$$

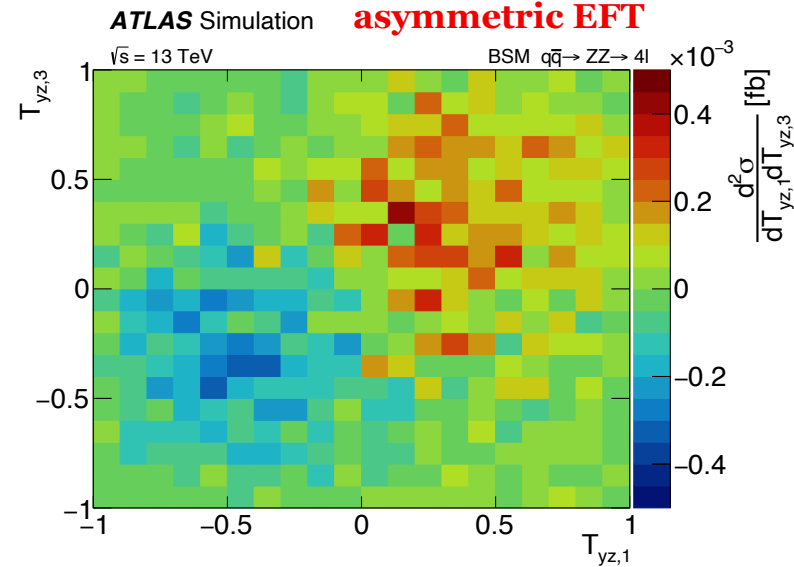
SM cross-section CP odd & main target of the analysis EFT only contribution
interference between SM & EFT

- ➔ Angular observable sensitive to CP violating effects, analysis constructs a observable to enhance sensitivity

Symmetric SM

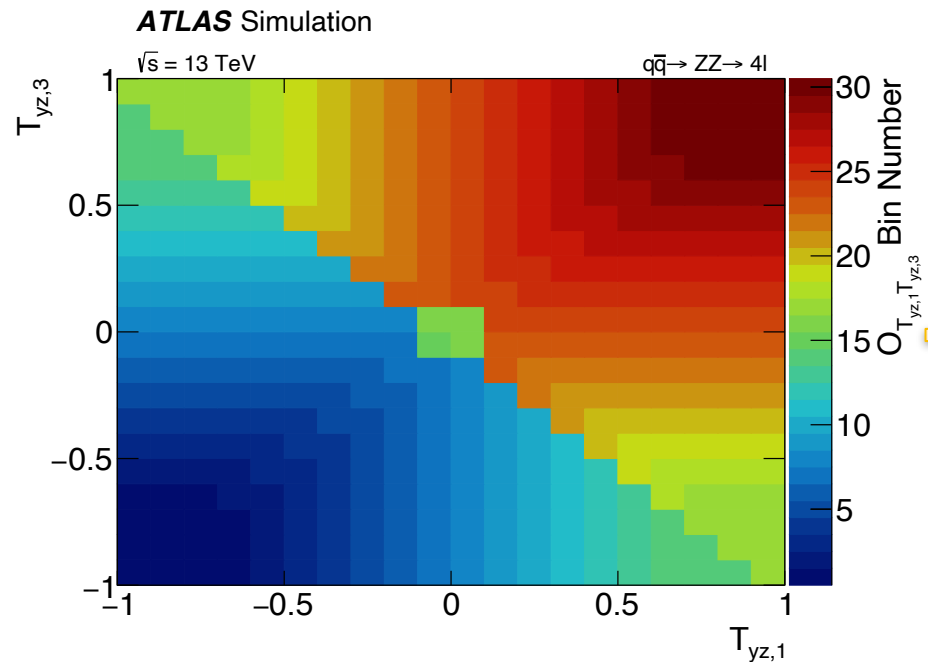


asymmetric EFT



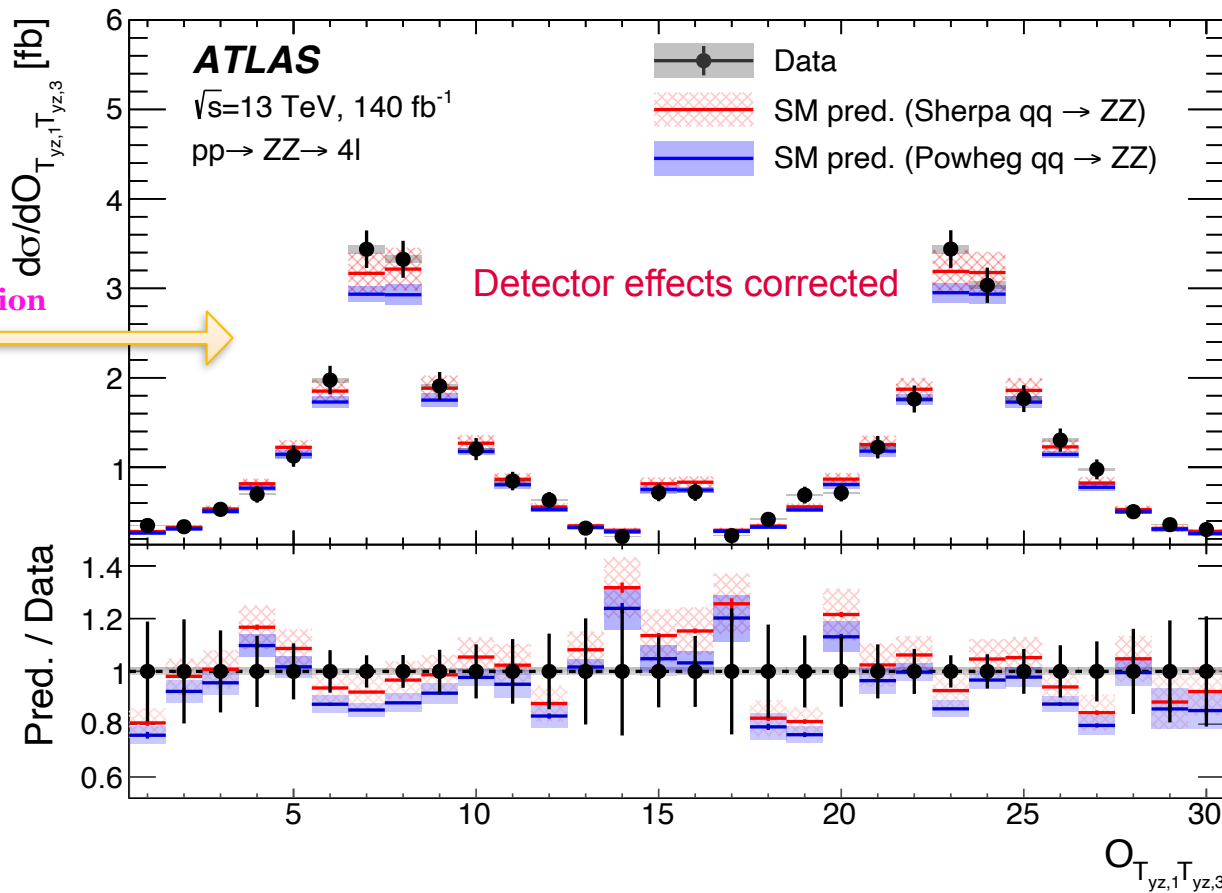
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→ Construct 1D map observable based on 2D distribution



1D projection

→ Unfolded differential cross-section of 1D map



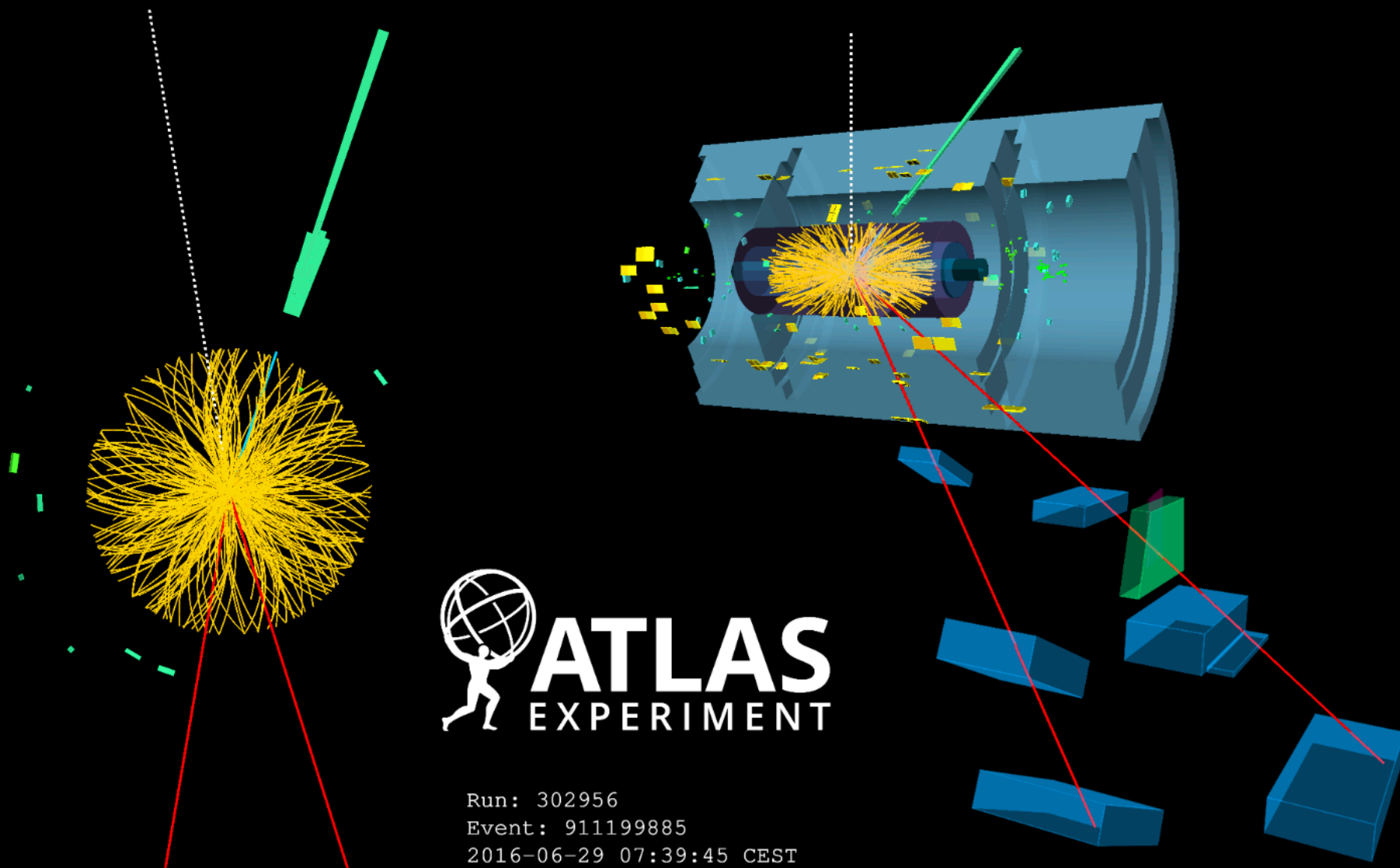
→ Constraints on EFT operators using unfolded differential cross-section

aNTGC parameter	Interference only	
	Expected	Observed
f_Z^4	[-0.16, 0.16]	[-0.12, 0.20]
f_γ^4	[-0.30, 0.30]	[-0.34, 0.28]

10-30%

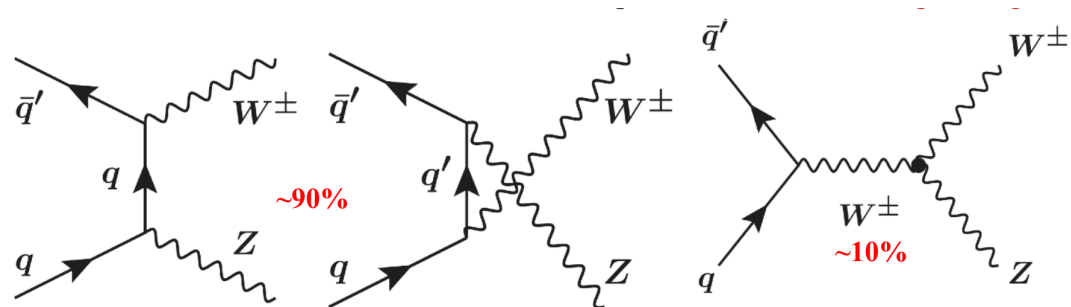
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Full Run-2 13TeV WZ Polarization at high p_T



WZ High pT Polarization

→ LO inclusive WZ production



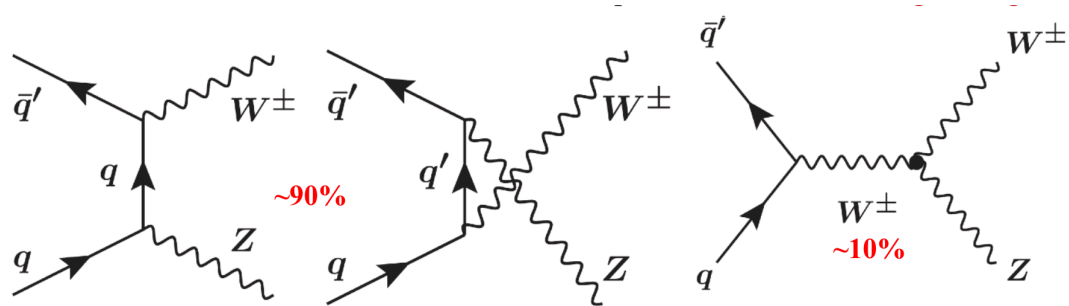
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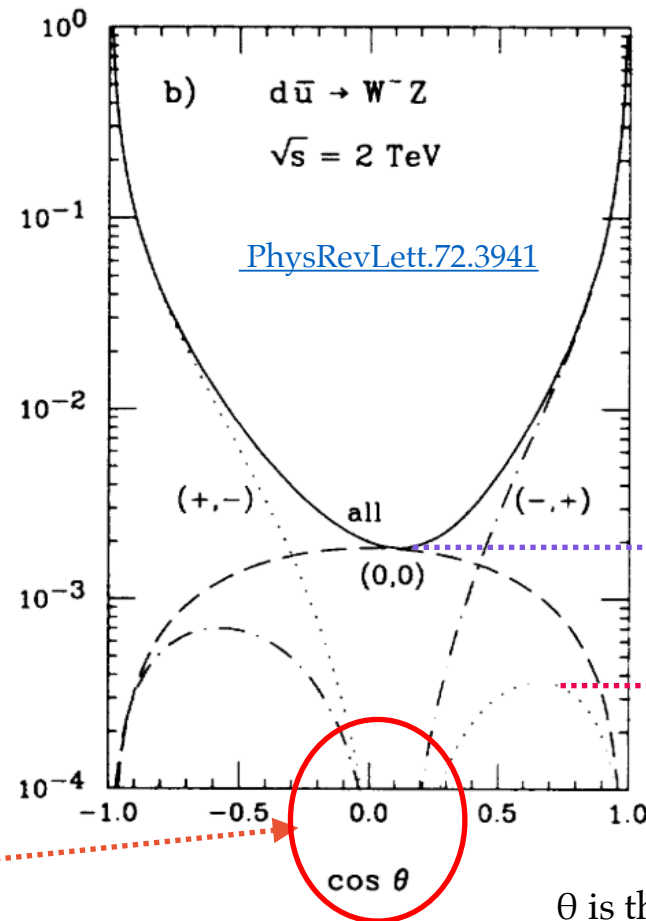
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- ▶ LO QCD effect in TT events
- ▶ Destructive interference due to helicity resulting in 0 cross-sections at certain **phase space**



θ is the angle between the W boson and the incident fermion (d)

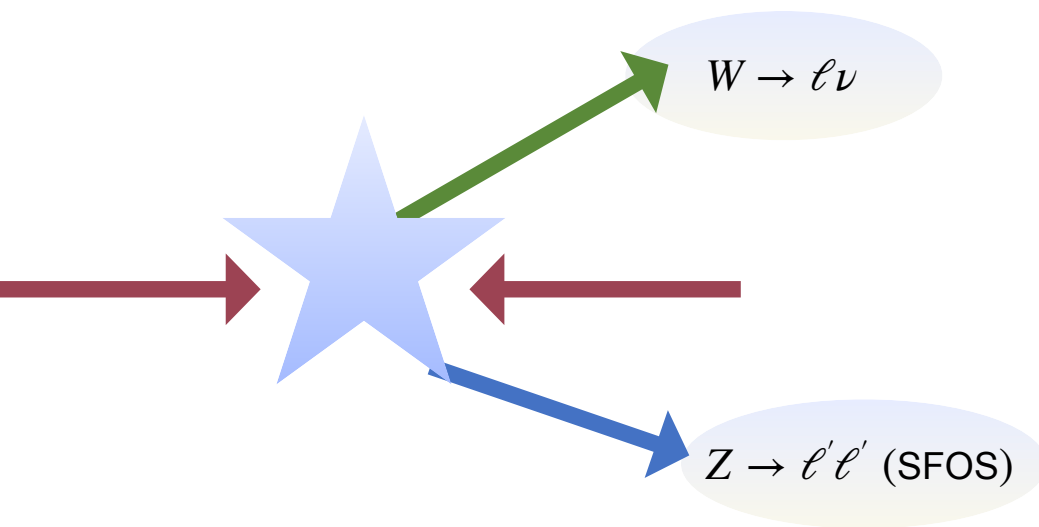
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Inclusive WZ selection

- ▶ $m_T^W > 30$ GeV
- ▶ $\Delta R(\ell'\ell) > 0.3$
- ▶ $\Delta R(\ell'+\ell'') > 0.2$
- ▶ $|m_{\ell\ell} - m_Z| < 10$ GeV

	Signal regions		
	Radiation Amplitude Zero	00-enhanced region 1	00-enriched region 2
Pass inclusive WZ event selection	✓	✓	✓
Transverse momentum of the Z boson (p_T^Z)	-	[100, 200] GeV	> 200 GeV
Transverse momentum of the WZ system (p_T^{WZ})	< 20, 40, 70 GeV		< 70 GeV

Motivated to increase 00 fraction from 5-7% to 20-30%

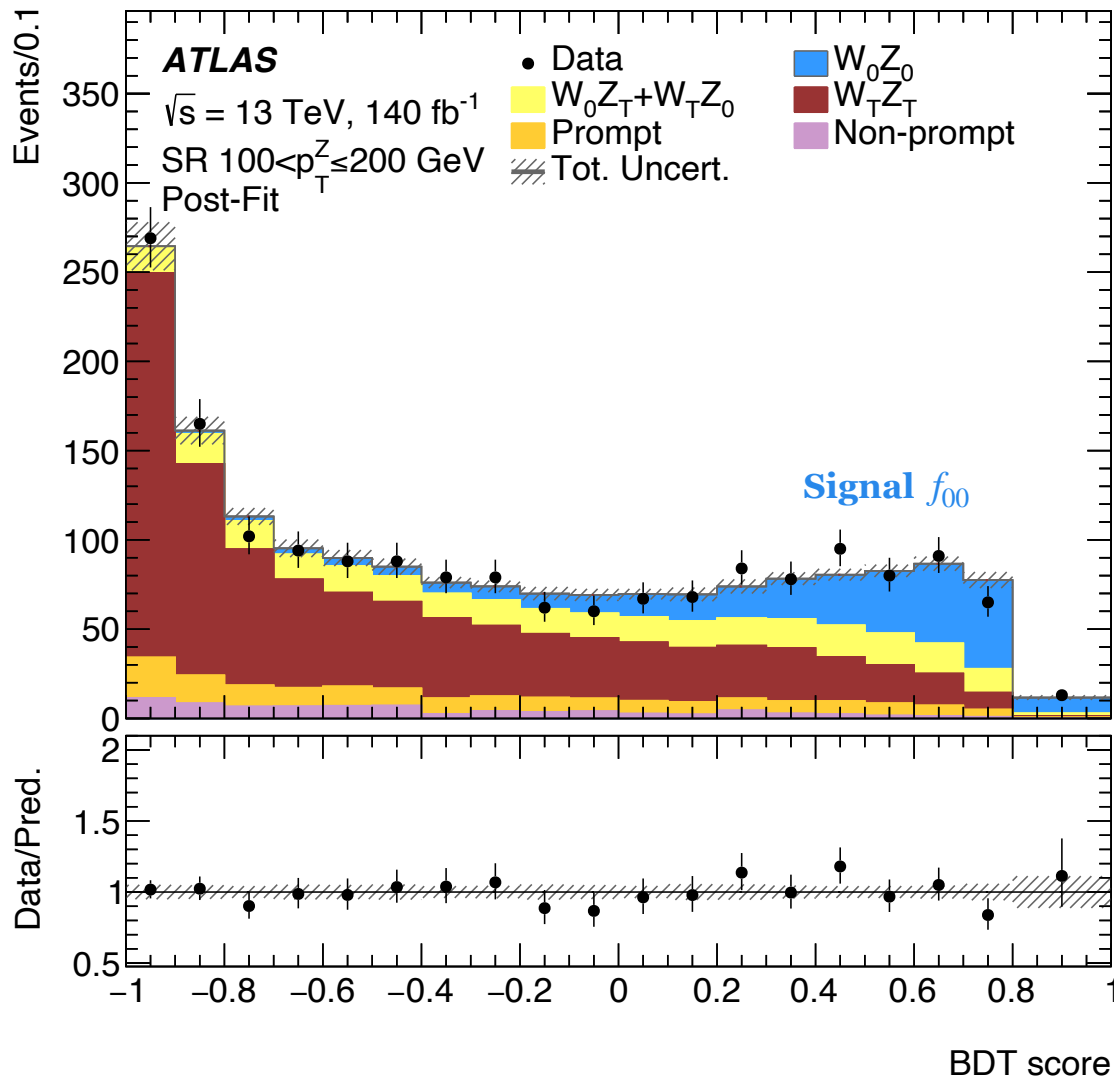


- ➔ Four polarization fraction $f_{00}, f_{T0}, f_{0,T}$ & f_{TT}
 - 0 longitudinal polarization
 - T transverse

Signal f_{00}
- ➔ Similar to ZZ, NLO polarized templates unavailable, LO WZ+0jets and WZ+1jet event generated with Madgraph to emulate NLO QCD effects
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	Measurement	
	$100 < p_T^Z \leq 200 \text{ GeV}$	$p_T^Z > 200 \text{ GeV}$
f_{00}	$0.19 \pm_{0.03}^{0.03} \text{ (stat)} \pm_{0.02}^{0.02} \text{ (syst)}$	$0.13 \pm_{0.08}^{0.09} \text{ (stat)} \pm_{0.02}^{0.02} \text{ (syst)}$
f_{0T+T0}	$0.18 \pm_{0.08}^{0.07} \text{ (stat)} \pm_{0.06}^{0.05} \text{ (syst)}$	$0.23 \pm_{0.18}^{0.17} \text{ (stat)} \pm_{0.10}^{0.06} \text{ (syst)}$
f_{TT}	$0.63 \pm_{0.05}^{0.05} \text{ (stat)} \pm_{0.04}^{0.04} \text{ (syst)}$	$0.64 \pm_{0.12}^{0.12} \text{ (stat)} \pm_{0.06}^{0.06} \text{ (syst)}$
$f_{00} \text{ obs (exp) sig.}$	$5.2 \text{ (4.3)} \sigma$	$1.6 \text{ (2.5)} \sigma$

5 sigma observation in $100 < p_{T,Z} < 200 \text{ GeV}$ for f_{00}

Measurement limited by stat uncertainty

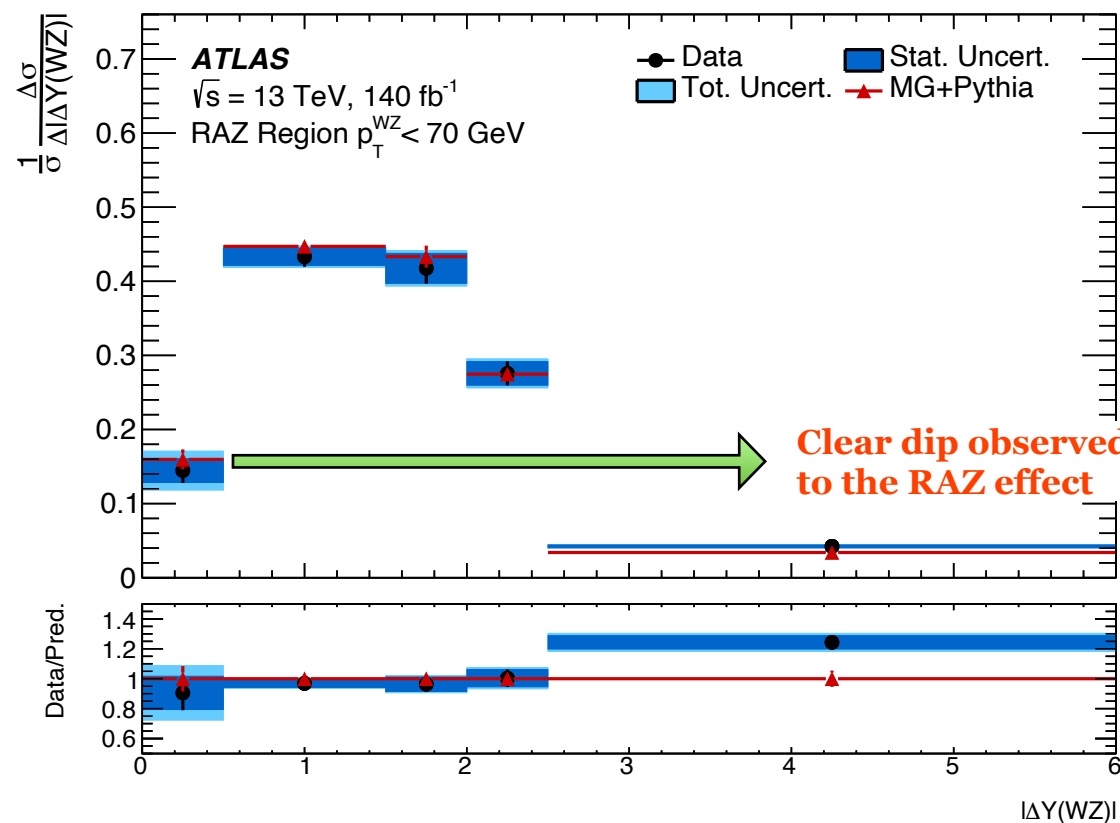
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→ Unfolded rapidity difference between W & Z [$\Delta Y(WZ)$] for TT events

Motivated to suppress background events from WZ+jets



→ Similar effects observed in all SR

Conclusion

→ Presented 3 results from ATLAS

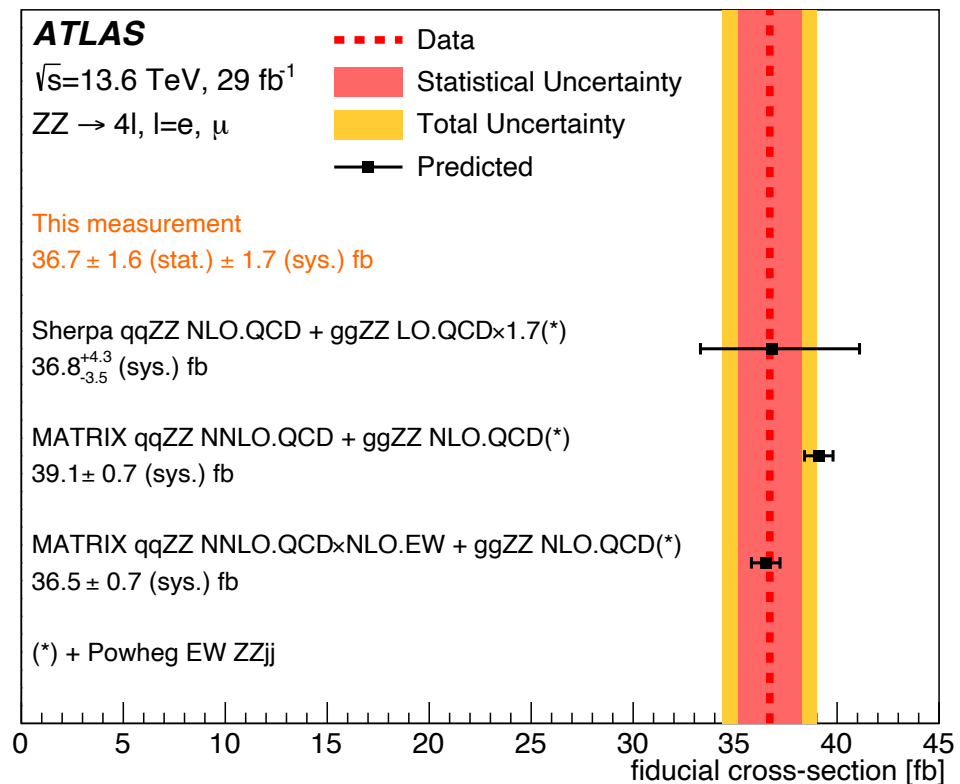
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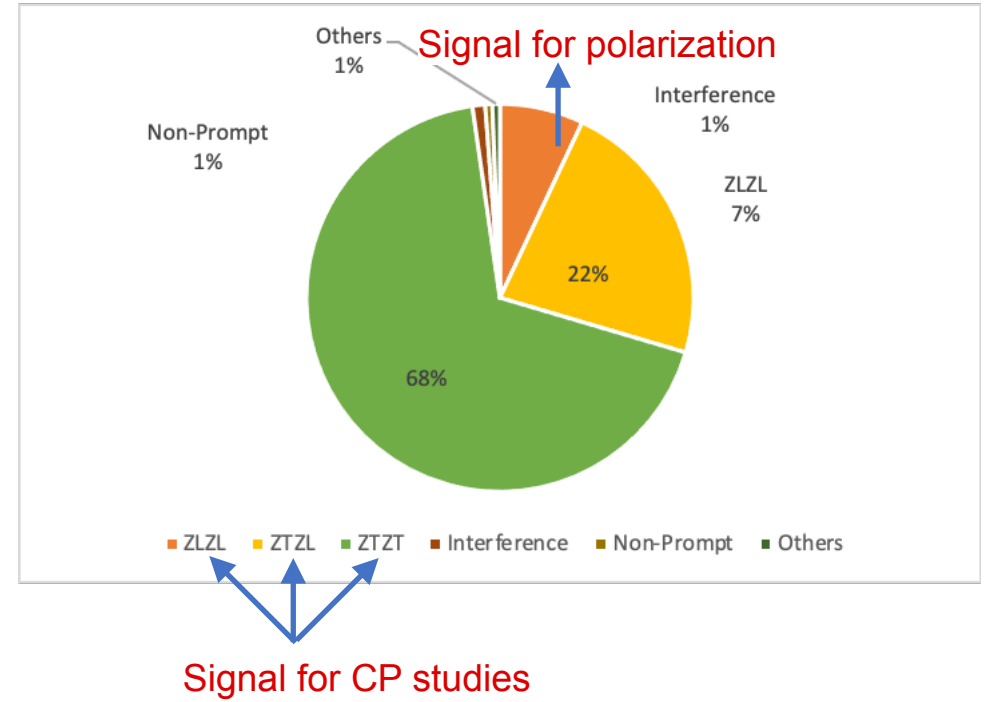
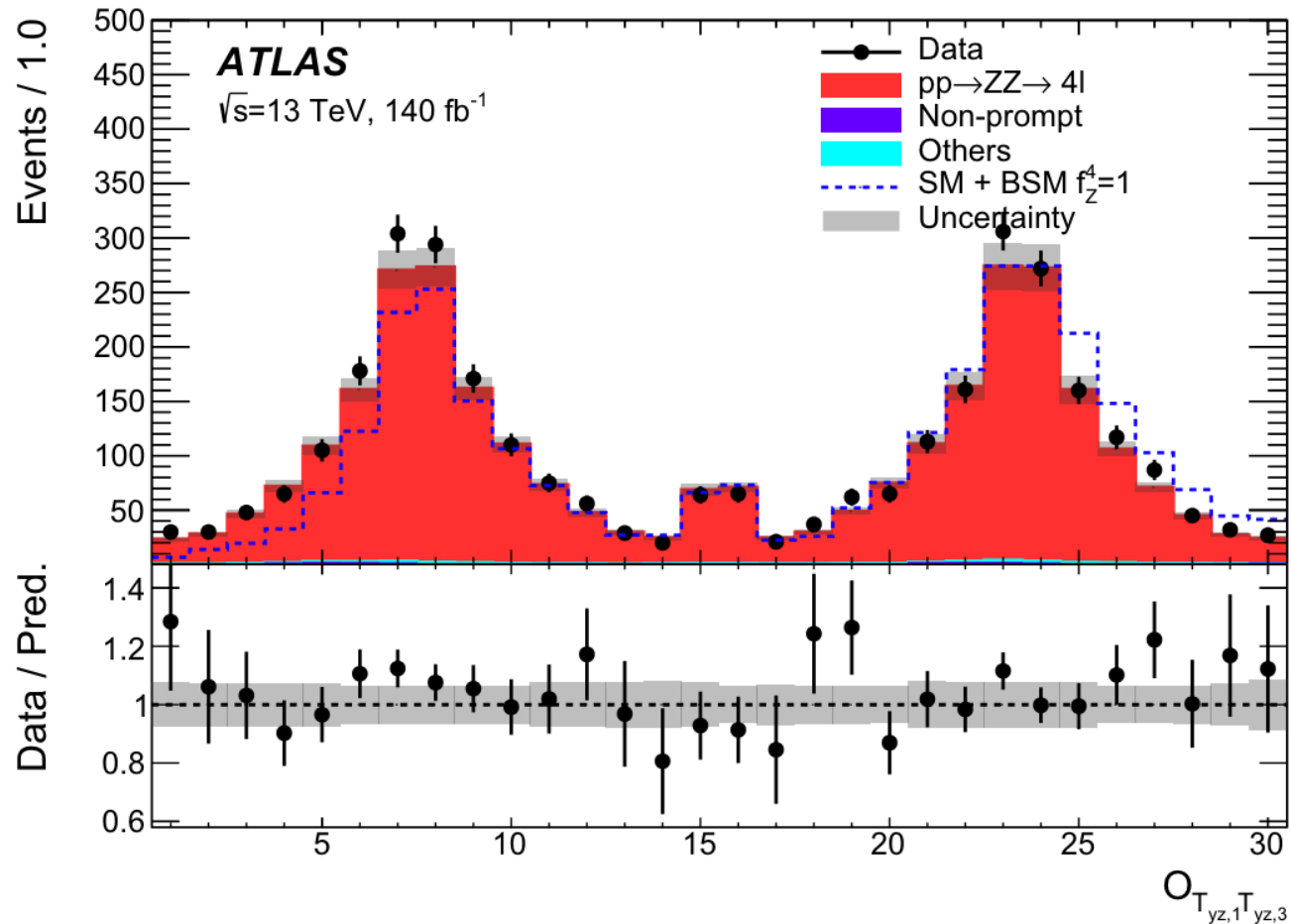
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Backup

Source	Relative uncertainty(%)
Data statistical uncertainty	4.2
MC statistical uncertainty	0.3
Luminosity	2.2
Lepton momentum	0.2
Lepton efficiency	3.7
Background	1.6
Theoretical uncertainty	1.0
Total	6.3



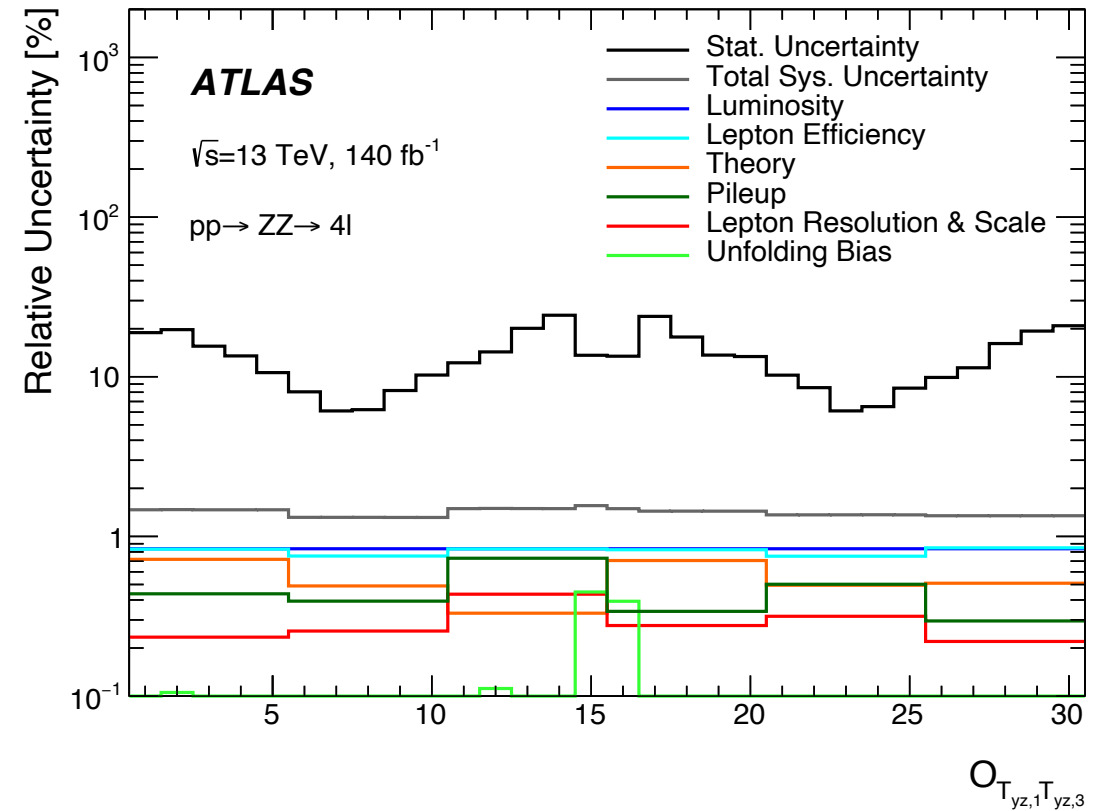
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$$ggZZ_{pol}^{reco} = \frac{MoCaNLO_{pol}^{ggZZ,parton}}{MoCaNLO_{incl}^{ggZZ,parton}} \times Sherpa_{incl}^{ggZZ,reco}$$

Contribution	Relative uncertainty [%]
Total	24
Data statistical uncertainty	23
Total systematic uncertainty	8.8
MC statistical uncertainty	1.7
Theoretical systematic uncertainties	
$q\bar{q} \rightarrow ZZ$ interference modelling	6.9
NLO reweighting observable choice for $q\bar{q} \rightarrow ZZ$	3.7
PDF, α_s and parton shower for $q\bar{q} \rightarrow ZZ$	2.2
NLO reweighting non-closure	1.0
QCD scale for $q\bar{q} \rightarrow ZZ$	0.2
NLO EW corrections for $q\bar{q} \rightarrow ZZ$	0.2
$gg \rightarrow ZZ$ modelling	1.4
Experimental systematic uncertainties	
Luminosity	0.8
Muons	0.6
Electrons	0.4
Non-prompt background	0.3
Pile-up reweighting	0.3
Triboson and $t\bar{t}Z$ normalisations	0.1

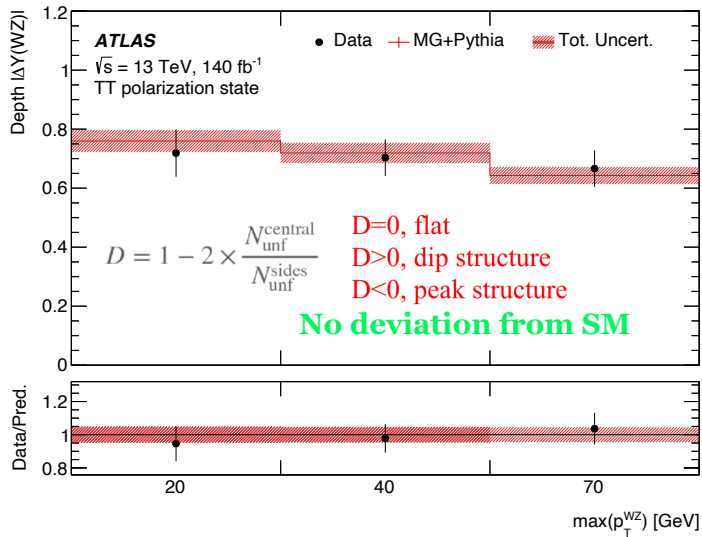


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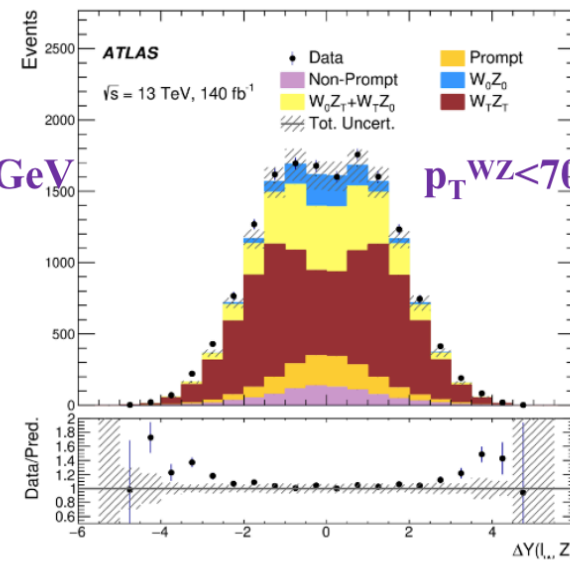
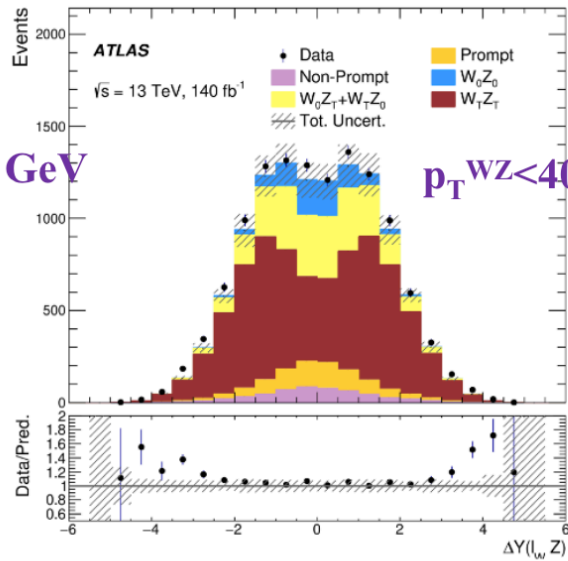
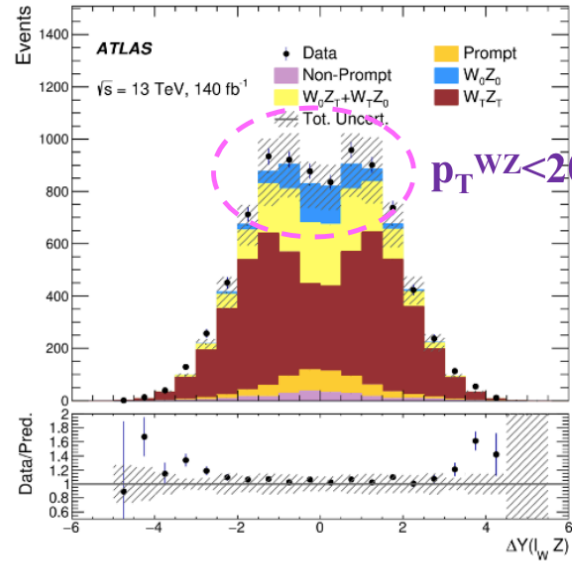
To Do: add systematic uncertainties & detail on reweighing

Source	Impact on f_{00} [%]	
	$100 < p_T^Z \leq 200$ GeV	$p_T^Z > 200$ GeV
Experimental		
Luminosity	0.1	0.2
Electron calibration	1.0	0.9
Muon calibration	1.1	1.3
Jet energy scale and resolution	5.9	9.0
E_T^{miss} scale and resolution	1.0	0.6
Flavor-tagging inefficiency	0.1	0.2
Pileup modelling	1.6	1.1
Non-prompt background estimation	5.8	0.8
Modelling		
Background, other	1.4	1.6
Model statistical	2.5	5.6
NLO QCD effects	6.8	8.2
NLO EW effects	1.1	3.3
Effect of additive vs multiplicative QCD+EW combination	1.3	3.8
Interference impact	1.4	0.7
PDF, Scales, and shower settings	3.5	9.2
Experimental and modelling	12.1	17.7
Data statistical	18.0	64.5
Total	21.7	66.9

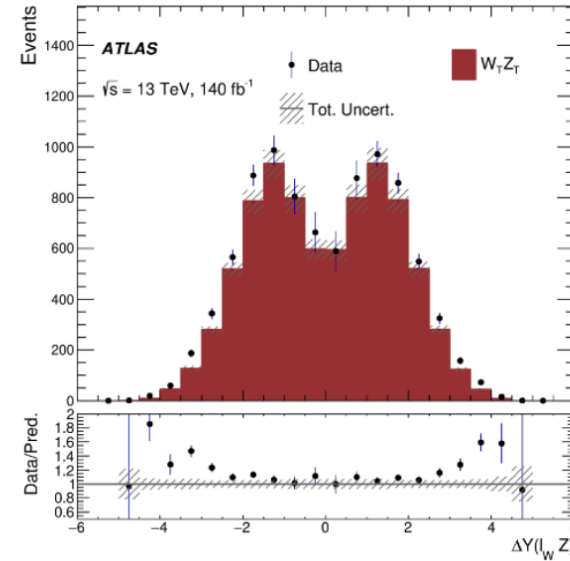
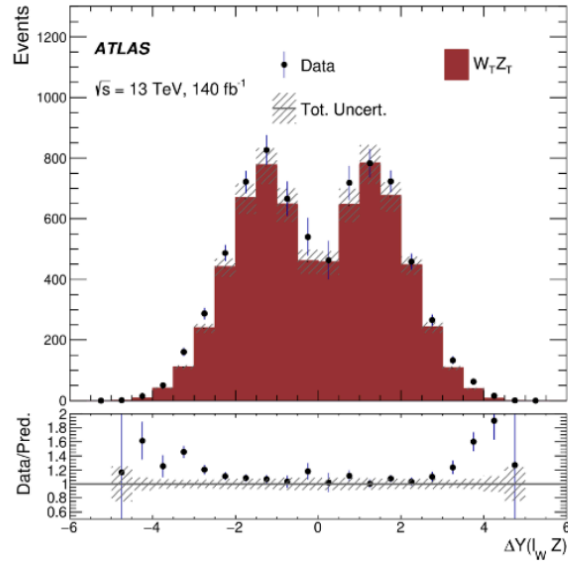
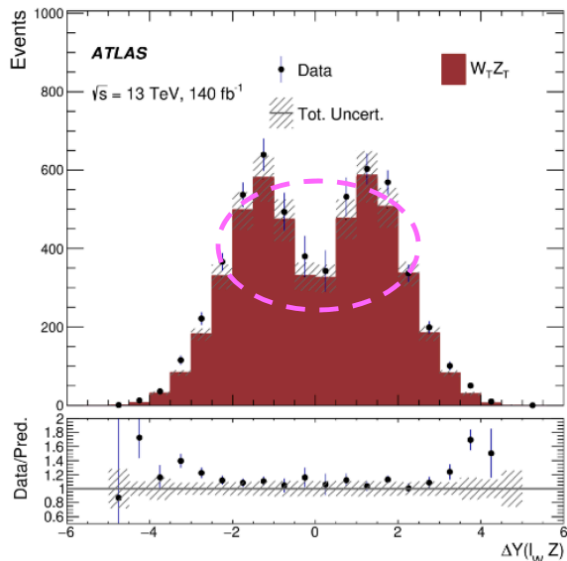
Source	Impact [%]			
	TT state		Sum of polarizations	
Experimental	$\Delta Y(\ell_W Z)$	$\Delta Y(WZ)$	$\Delta Y(\ell_W Z)$	$\Delta Y(WZ)$
Luminosity	1.5	0.6	0.5	0.1
Electron calibration	0.9	0.5	1.7	0.4
Muon calibration	1.6	0.8	1.4	0.5
Jet energy scale and resolution	3.4	1.9	1.8	1.2
E_T^{miss} scale and resolution	1.3	1.0	2.2	1.4
Flavor-tagging inefficiency	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0
Pileup modelling	0.0	0.4	3.4	0.4
Non-prompt background estimation	9.5	3.6	13.5	3.7
Modelling				
Background, other	5.7	2.1	8.0	2.1
Model statistical	2.4	1.3	4.6	2.0
NLO corrections	9.2	1.0	0.0	0.0
PDF, Scale and shower settings	7.5	3.9	0.7	0.2
Unfolding uncertainty	0.0	2.3	0.0	2.6
Experimental and modelling	17.0	6.8	17.2	5.7
Data statistical	12.8	6.2	27.0	10.3
Total	21.3	9.3	32.0	11.8



WZ High p_T Polarization



Inclusive events with contributions from all polarization states



TT-only events and contributions from 00, 0T, and T0 are removed