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# Measurements of W, Z and Drell-Yan processes in ATLAS



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# W, Z and Drell-Yan measurements





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Albajar et al. (UA1 Collaboration), Z. Phys. C 44, 15 (1989).



### Long history of W, Z measurements

- Stringent tests of the electroweak theory and perturbative and non-perturbative QCD
- Provides important information on the partonic structure Set limit to new physics
  - Milestone for more precision fundamental parameters measurements, e.g. W mass

### **ATLAS** miscellanea for this talk:

- W, Z cross section measurement
- Low- and high-mass Drell-Yan
- W hadronic decay mode search
- W, Z transverse momentum measurement



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#### Low-order Drell-Yan process



(b) More realistic Drell-Yan diagram.

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# **Drell-Yan Process**



#### LHC parton kinematics





# W, Z topology at ATLAS

### Typical W, Z selection: Electron and muon: $p_T^l > 25$ GeV, tight isolation Z-boson event: 2 opposite sign, same flavor leptons, 66 < $m_{ll}$ <116 GeV W-boson event: exactly 1 lepton, $E_T^{miss}$ > 25 GeV, $m_T^W$ > 50 GeV



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### around Z-resonance



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- different sensitivity to the up- and down-type quarks







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# - Data



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 $|\Delta \eta_{\parallel}|$ 

Sys. uncertainty

Total uncertainty



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- **Background estimation** EW and top-quark process: MC simulation Multi-jet: data driven
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- Compare linear fit and quadratic fit as systematics









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#### Measurement Strategy:

- Fiducial cross sections are extracted with **binned profile likelihood** fits using all channels: 2 Z-boson channels (ee and μμ) and 4 Wboson channels (e+v, e-v,  $\mu$ +v and  $\mu$ -v)
- Cross section ratio extracts as well by fitting with different parameterizations
- The total cross section: Fiducial / Acceptance



**Dominant Uncertainty:** MJ background, jet, ttbar modeling

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#### W: Luminosity, jet and MJ background Z : Luminosity, lepton reconstruction $\sigma_{pred}^{fid}$ / $\sigma_{meas}^{fid}$ ATLAS Total uncertainty (w/o luminosity) $\sqrt{s} = 13.6 \text{ TeV}, 29 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ 1.15 Total uncertainty 1.05 ATLAS √s = 13.6 TeV, 29 fb<sup>-1</sup> Data (stat.⊕ syst. CT18 CT18A 0.95 MSHT20 Ŵ $W^+$ PDF4LHC21(m=171.5 Ge\ PDF4LHC21(m=172.5 GeV 0.9 PDF4LHC21(m=173.5 GeV) ATLASpdf2 Good agreement with theory prediction (Inner uncert.: PDF only (NNLO+NNLL QCD+ NLO EW) 0.1 0.11 0.12 0.13 0.14 0.15 0.16 $R_{t\bar{t}/W^{\pm}} = \sigma_{t\bar{t}}^{fid} / \sigma_{W^{\pm}}^{fid}$











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Same data/prediction agreement found in tt/Z measurement Phys. Lett. B 848 (2024) 138376

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**Event selection:**  $W^{\pm} \rightarrow \pi^{\pm} \gamma, W^{\pm} \rightarrow K^{\pm} \gamma$ : track+ photon  $W^{\pm} \rightarrow \rho^{\pm} \gamma : \tau_{1-prong} + \text{photon}$ •  $\rho^{\pm} \rightarrow \pi^{\pm} \pi^{0}$  indistinguishable to tau, except impact parameter

benefit from ATLAS refined algorithms

# Search for the exclusive W boson hadronic decays

$$V^{\pm} 
ightarrow 
ho^{\pm} \gamma$$
 at  $\sqrt{s}$ = 13 TeV, 140  $fb^{-1}$ 

Larger integrated luminosity and CME w.r.t. CDF From pQCD to strongly-coupled QCD regime First ATLAS  $W^{\pm} \rightarrow \pi^{\pm} \gamma$  search First  $W^{\pm} \to K^{\pm} \gamma$ ,  $W^{\pm} \to \rho^{\pm} \gamma$  search

**Background:** 

- $Z \rightarrow e^+e^-$  background rejected with TRT track information and hadronic leakage
- Multijet: data driven method, sample from template that mimicking the data correlations

Submitted to PRL https://arxiv.org/abs/2309.15887 009









- No significant excess found
- Improve the previous upper limit on  $B(W^{\pm} \rightarrow \pi^{\pm} \gamma)$ ~ a factor of four
- First upper limits on  $W^{\pm} \to K^{\pm}\gamma$ ,  $W^{\pm} \to \rho^{\pm}\gamma$ .
- Constrain theoretical predictions based on the QCD factorization approach



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![](_page_12_Picture_9.jpeg)

Joint fit across all channels with binned maximum likelihood fit S+B at W invariant mass region [60,110] GeV

	Number of events				
	Track-photon SR	Tau-photon S			
Multijet	$632000 \pm 2200$	$43200 \pm 600$			
$Z \rightarrow e^+ e^-$	$6100 \pm 1500$	$-200 \pm 400$			
$W^{\pm}  ightarrow \pi^{\pm}/K^{\pm}\gamma$	$1000\pm800$	_			
$W^{\pm}  ightarrow  ho^{\pm} \gamma$	$-100 \pm 400$	$-90 \pm 240$			
Data	638962	42918			

	95% CL upper limits				
Branching fraction	Expected $\times 10^{-6}$	Observed ×10 <sup>-</sup>			
$\mathcal{B}(W^{\pm}  ightarrow \pi^{\pm} \gamma)$	$1.2^{+0.5}_{-0.3}$	1.9			
$\mathcal{B}(W^{\pm} \to K^{\pm} \gamma)$	$1.1^{+0.4}_{-0.3}$	1.7			
$\mathcal{B}(W^{\pm} \to \rho^{\pm} \gamma)$	$6.0^{+2.3}_{-1.7}$	5.2			

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#### SR

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### Low pile-up data:

- $\sqrt{s}$  = 5.02 TeV: Nov 2017, 255 ± 1% pb<sup>-1</sup>
- $\sqrt{s}$  = 13 TeV: Nov 2017 + Jun 2018, 335 ± 0.92% pb<sup>-1</sup>
- Standard W and Z selection 1.45 M (5 TeV) and 4.35 M (13 TeV) W events 111 K (5 TeV) and 366 K (13 TeV) Z events

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![](_page_13_Picture_6.jpeg)

#### Boson transverse momentum reconstruction

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# W and Z pT with low-pileup data

![](_page_13_Picture_10.jpeg)

https://arxiv.org/abs/2404.06204

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### **13 TeV W**—> $\mu\nu$ candidate $m_T = 77 \text{ GeV}$ $u_T = 16 \text{ GeV}$

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# W and Z pT with low-pileup data

- Lepton and recoil calibration and MC dedicated to special low pile-up data conditions
- Standard background: EW and top background estimated from MC, Multijet estimated with data-driven method
- Bayesian unfolding of  $u_T$  in the W and  $p_T(\ell \ell)$  in the Z
- Electron and muon channels combined with BLUE, good  $\chi^2$

### Z acts as a cross check of recoil measurement

![](_page_15_Figure_7.jpeg)

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![](_page_15_Figure_13.jpeg)

➡ General agree with prediction - Further validation of the AZNLO Provide test and constrains for theory \*Milestone for future next ATLAS low pile-up W mass measurement Save extrapolate WpT from Z. Reduce modelling uncertainty

Latest mW measurement in Jakub Kremer's talk

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# Summary

- Precision measurement of W, Z properties at ATLAS
  - Low- and high-mass Drell-Yan
  - First 13.6 TeV W, Z cross section measurement and their ratios
  - W exclusive decay search
  - Precision W, Z pT of low pile-up data
- They all provide stringent tests of the electroweak and QCD theory
- Key input and facilitating future ATLAS W mass measurement.

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Fit region (FR)	Signal region (SR)
• Lepton $p_T > 27 \text{ GeV}$	• Lepton pT > 27 GeV
• $E_T^{\text{miss}} < 25 \text{ GeV}$	• $E_{T}^{miss} > 25 \text{ GeV}$
• $m_T^W < 50 \text{ GeV}$	• $m_{T}^{W} > 50 \text{ GeV}$
• Pass isolation	• Pass isolation
Control region 1 (CR1)	Control region 2 (CR2)
• Lepton $p_T > 27 \text{ GeV}$	• Lepton pT > 27 GeV
• $E_T^{\text{miss}} < 25 \text{ GeV}$	• $E_{T}^{miss} > 25 \text{ GeV}$
• $m_T^W < 50 \text{ GeV}$	• $m_{T}^{W} > 50 \text{ GeV}$
• Fail isolation	• Fail isolation

![](_page_18_Picture_9.jpeg)

**NEW** Phys. Lett. B 854 (2024) 138725

![](_page_18_Figure_13.jpeg)

- Combine from two discriminating variables  $E_T^{miss}$  and  $m_T^W$
- Compare linear fit and quadratic fit as systematics

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# W and Z pT with low-pileup data

- Hadronic recoil:
  - than calorimeter reconstruction.
  - Calibrated with in-situ Z events

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![](_page_20_Picture_0.jpeg)

Category	$\sigma(Z \to ee)$	$\sigma(Z\to\mu\mu)$	$\sigma(Z \to \ell \ell)$	$\sigma(W^- \to e^- \bar{\nu})$	$\sigma(W^+\to e^+\nu)$	$\sigma(W^- \to \mu^- \bar{\nu})$	$\sigma(W^+ \to \mu^+ \nu)$
Luminosity	2.2	2.2	2.2	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.4
Pile-up	1.2	0.3	0.8	1.1	1.1	0.3	0.4
MC statistics	< 0.2	< 0.2	< 0.2	< 0.2	0.4	< 0.2	0.4
Lepton trigger	0.2	0.4	0.2	1.2	1.3	1.0	1.0
Electron reconstruction	1.4	-	0.9	0.7	0.8	-	_
Muon reconstruction	-	2.1	1.4	-	_	1.0	1.0
Multi-jet	-	_	-	2.9	2.4	1.3	1.1
Other background modelling	< 0.2	< 0.2	< 0.2	< 0.2	< 0.2	0.5	0.4
Jet energy scale	-	_	-	1.4	1.4	1.3	1.4
Jet energy resolution	-	_	-	< 0.2	0.3	0.2	0.2
NNJVT	-	_	-	1.6	1.5	1.3	1.3
$E_{\rm T}^{\rm miss}$ track soft term	-	_	-	< 0.2	0.4	< 0.2	< 0.2
PDF	0.2	0.2	< 0.2	0.8	0.8	0.6	0.5
QCD scale (ME and PS)	0.6	< 0.2	0.3	1.3	1.2	0.6	0.6
Flavour tagging	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
tī modelling	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total systematic impact [%]	3.0	3.1	2.7	5.0	4.5	3.8	3.6
Statistical impact [%]	0.04	0.03	0.02	0.02	0.01	0.01	0.01

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![](_page_21_Picture_0.jpeg)

Category	$\sigma(W^- \to \ell^- \bar{\nu})$	$\sigma(W^+ \to \ell^+ \nu)$	$\sigma(W^\pm \to \ell^\prime \nu)$	$R_{W^+/W^-}$	$R_{W^{\pm}/Z}$	$R_{t\bar{t}/W^{\pm}}$
Luminosity	2.5	2.4	2.4	< 0.2	0.3	< 0.2
Pile-up	0.5	0.7	0.6	< 0.2	< 0.2	< 0.2
MC statistics	< 0.2	0.2	< 0.2	< 0.2	< 0.2	< 0.2
Lepton trigger	1.0	0.9	0.9	< 0.2	0.7	0.8
Electron reconstruction	0.4	0.5	0.4	< 0.2	0.5	0.4
Muon reconstruction	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.2	0.8	0.6
Multi-jet	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.6	1.1	1.0
Other background modelling	0.4	0.4	0.4	< 0.2	0.3	0.9
Jet energy scale	1.3	1.3	1.3	< 0.2	1.3	1.3
Jet energy resolution	< 0.2	0.2	< 0.2	< 0.2	< 0.2	< 0.2
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PDF	0.5	0.5	0.3	0.5	0.2	0.4
QCD scale (ME and PS)	0.8	0.7	0.6	< 0.2	0.7	0.7
Flavour tagging	_	_	-	_	_	< 0.2
tī modelling	_	_	-	-	-	1.1
Total systematic impact [%]	3.7	3.5	3.5	1.7	2.4	2.5
Statistical impact [%]	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.02	0.32

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