

# Inclusive Search for Same-Sign Dileptons at ATLAS



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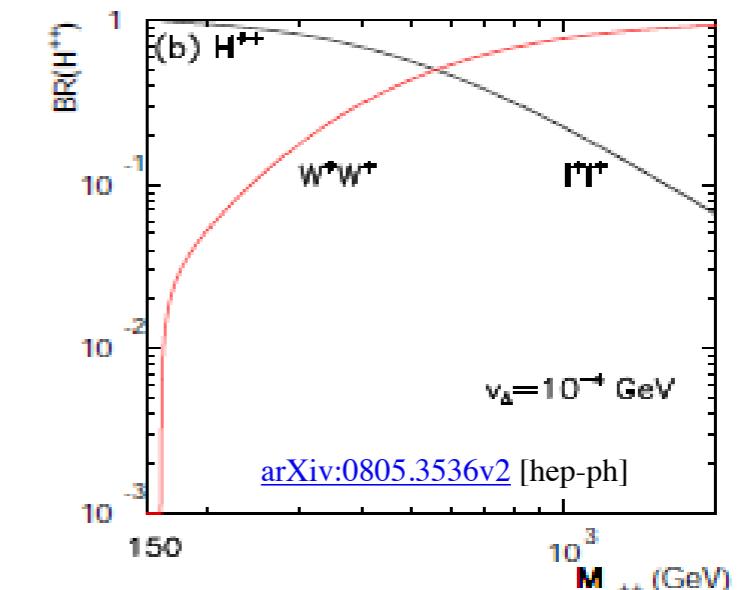
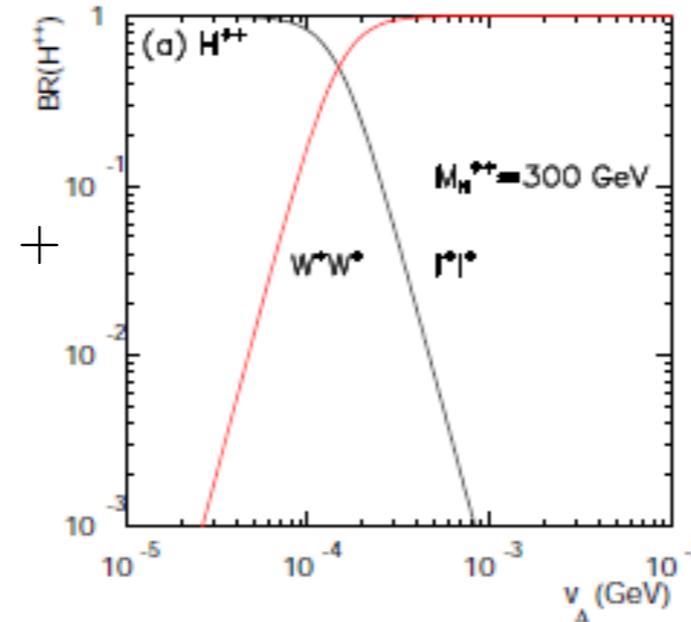
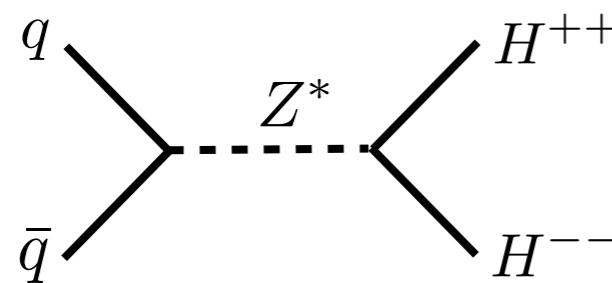
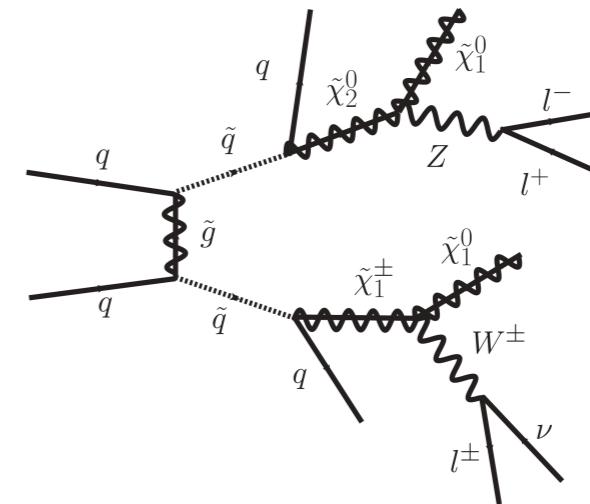
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# Same-sign leptons

Same-sign leptons appear in a range of models

- ▶ SUSY - produced in lepton cascade topologies
- ▶ Heavy Majorana neutrinos
- ▶ Universal extra dimensions
- ▶ Doubly-charged Higgs bosons  
eg) Type-II Seesaw



$$H^{\pm\pm} \rightarrow l^\pm l^\pm \quad \text{OR} \quad H^{\pm\pm} \rightarrow W^\pm W^\pm \rightarrow l^\pm \nu l^\pm \nu$$

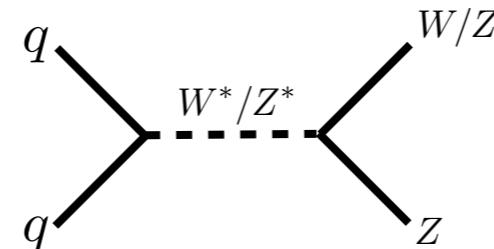
An *inclusive* search is a promising testing ground for new physics

Selection with lepton kinematics, not other event activity

# Backgrounds

- ▶ Understanding and estimating the backgrounds is the most challenging part of the SS analysis
- ▶ Three SM background contributions:
  1. Production of same sign dileptons in diboson processes

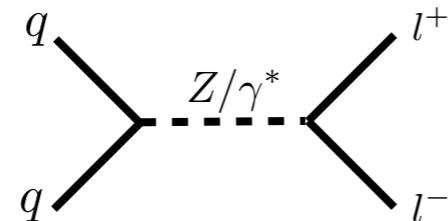
main contribution from  $ZZ$ ,  $WZ$



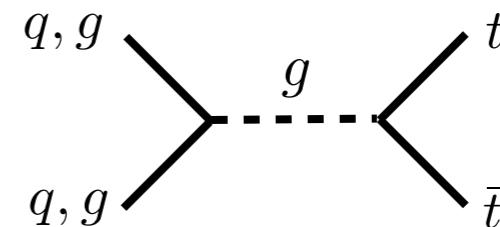
less significant contribution from  $WWjj$  and  $t\bar{t}W$

2. SM processes with opposite sign leptons and the charge of one lepton is mis-measured -- called charge flip more dominant with electrons

Drell-Yan

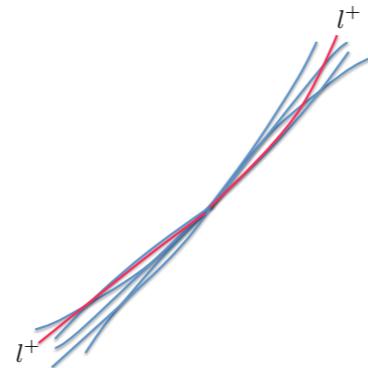


Top pair

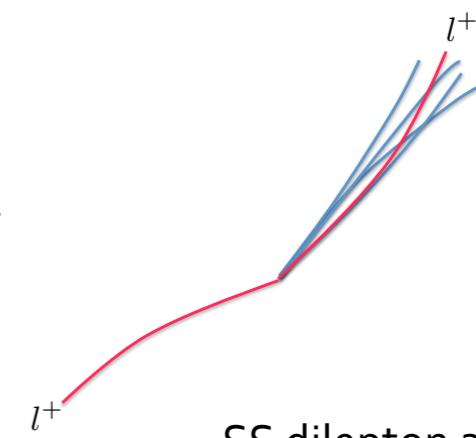


3. Hadronic decay leptons - “fakes”

Dijet events



$Wj \rightarrow l\nu j$



# 2010 Analysis

- ▶ Three channels:  $\mu\mu, e\mu, ee$
- ▶  $34 \text{ pb}^{-1}$

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lepton candidates required to have  $p_T > 20 \text{ GeV}$

one lepton must have triggered the event

$|\eta| < 2.47$

high quality tracks: requirements on the minimum number of track hits; for muons, the charge as measured in the inner detector matches that measured by the muon system

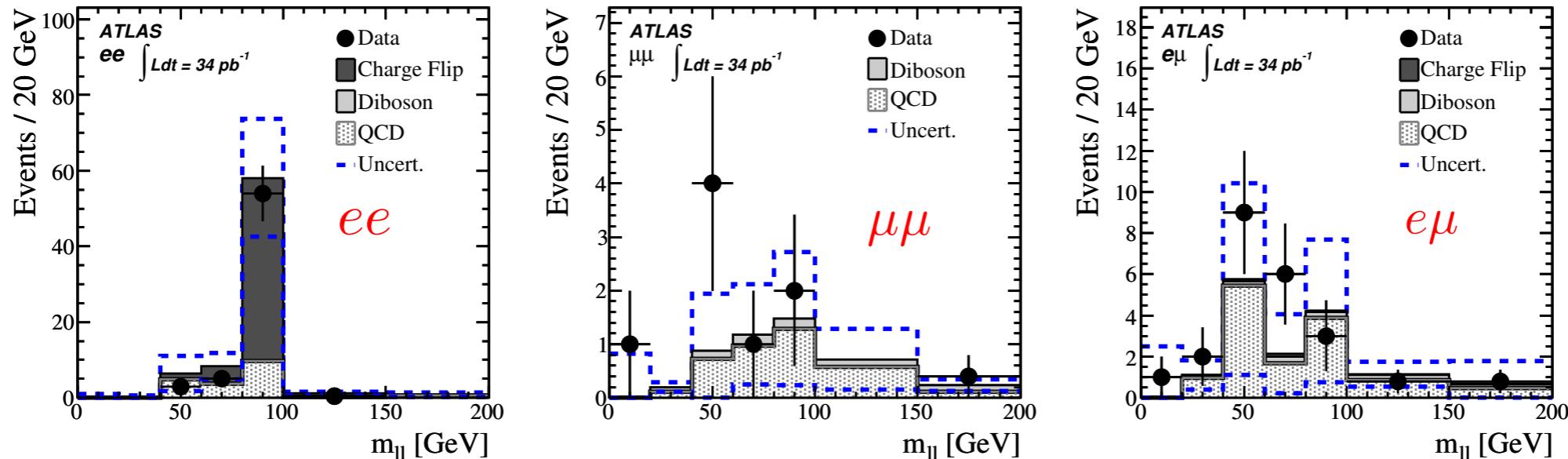
isolation: sum of transverse energy in calorimeter deposition in cone of radius  $\Delta R = 0.2$  required to be less than 15% of lepton transverse energy

leptons must originate from the same primary vertex and have same charge

- ▶ Analysis-approach:
  - ▶ data-driven fake background estimate
  - ▶ simulation used to estimate background from dibosons
  - ▶ data and simulation used to estimate charge flip

# 2010 Analysis Results

- Agreement between observed data and the SM prediction for all channels



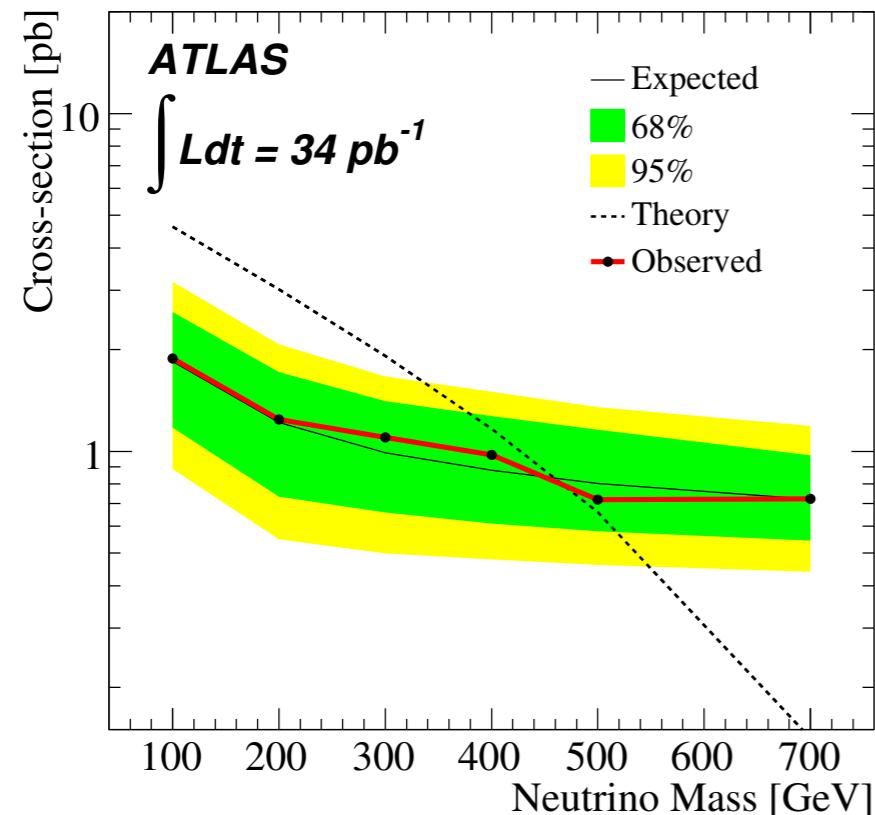
- Fiducial cross section limit set on generic same-sign production cross section:

$$m_{ll} > 110 \text{ GeV}$$

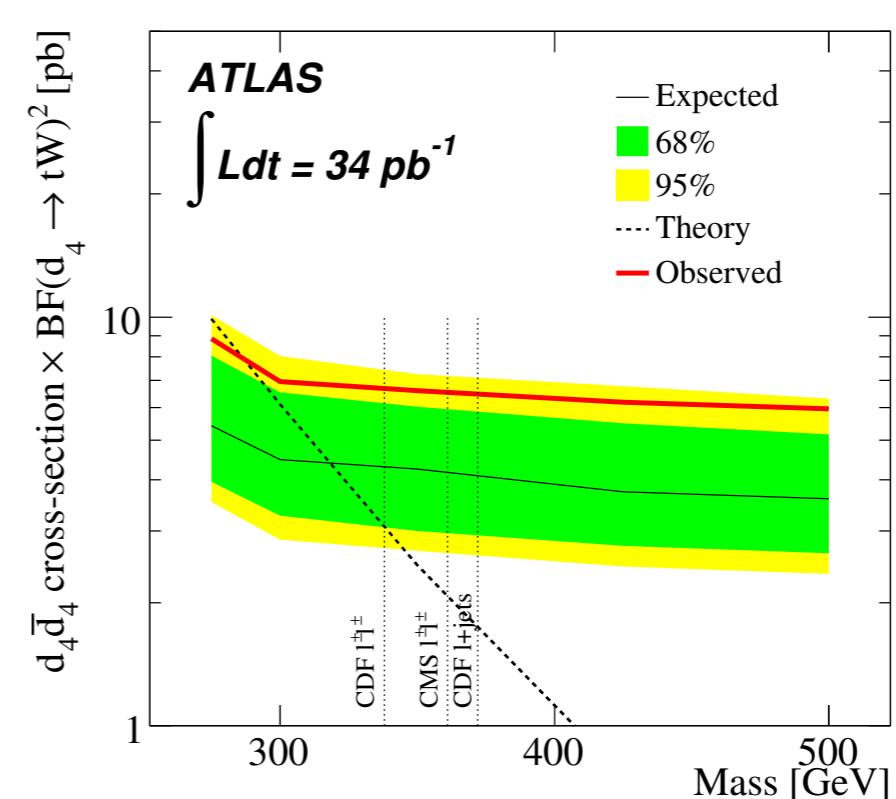
	$n_{\text{obs}}$	$n_{\text{pred}}$	$\sigma_{\text{obs}}^{95} [\text{pb}]$	$\sigma_{\text{exp}}^{95} [\text{pb}]$
$ee$	0	$3.1 \pm 2.1 \pm 0.5$	0.15	0.46
$\mu\mu$	1	$2.2 \pm 1.4 \pm 0.4$	0.17	0.25
$e\mu$	3	$3.2 \pm 2.9 \pm 0.5$	0.28	0.28

# 2010 Analysis Limits

- ▶ Cross section upper limits on specific models
  - ▶ Heavy Majorana neutrinos
  - ▶ Lepton cascades
  - ▶ L-R symmetric model
  - ▶ Fourth generation d quark



▶ Exclusion below 460 GeV, assuming Majorana neutrinos are produced by a four fermion operator, and  $\Lambda \sim 1 \text{ TeV}$ .



▶ Exclusion below 320 GeV, using  $d_4\bar{d}_4 \rightarrow tW\bar{t}W$  assuming  $\text{Br}(d_4 \rightarrow tW) = 100\%$

# 2011 Analysis

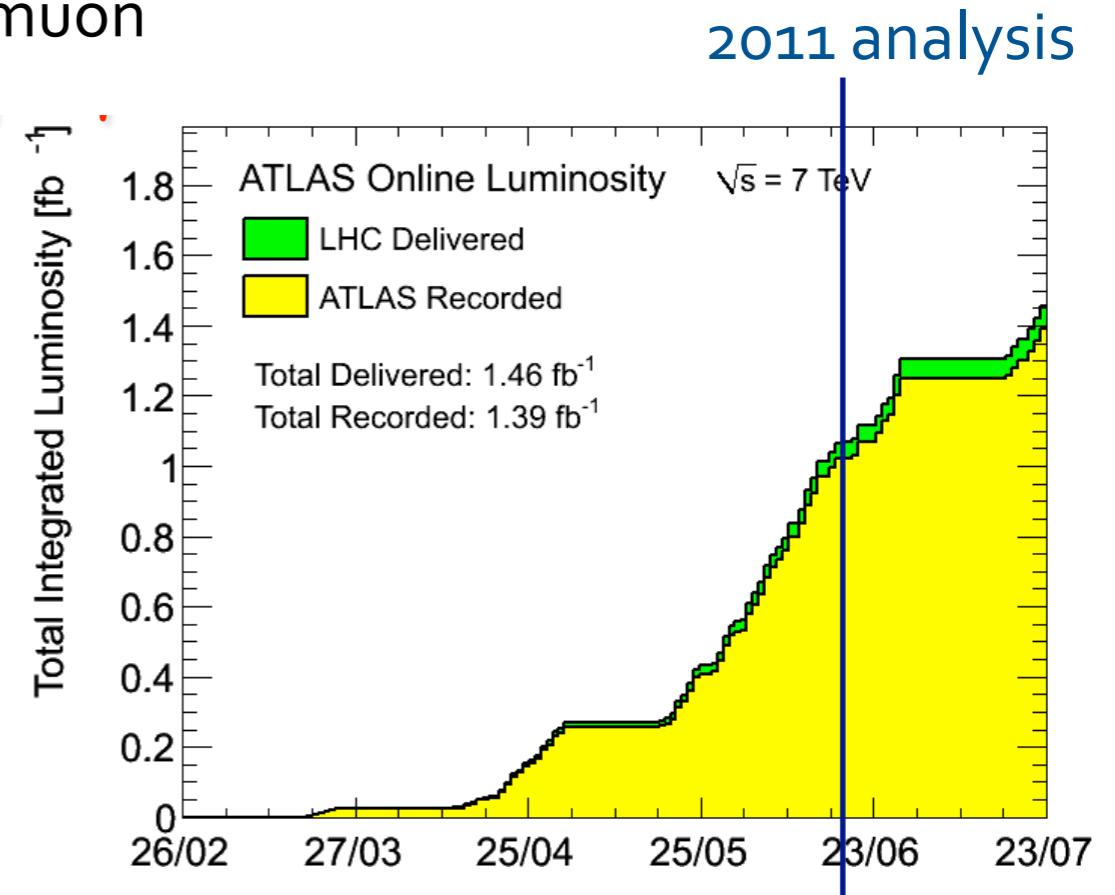
- ▶ same channels as 2010 analysis, but focus on dimuon
- ▶ MUCH more data:  $1.07 \text{ fb}^{-1}$

## Selection improvements

- ▶ only one muon with  $p_T > 20 \text{ GeV}$ , the other with  $p_T > 10 \text{ GeV}$   
**greater signal acceptance**
- ▶ track-based isolation requirement: sum of track  $p_T$  within cone of  $\Delta R = 0.4$  less than 10% of muon  $p_T$  AND less than 5 GeV  
**shown to have less pileup dependence**

pileup bigger issue in 2011, with ~6 interactions per bunch crossing

- ▶ impact parameter significance:  $|d_0|/\sigma(d_0) < 3$   
**~99% efficient for prompt muons; rejection factor of ~3 for b hadron decays**

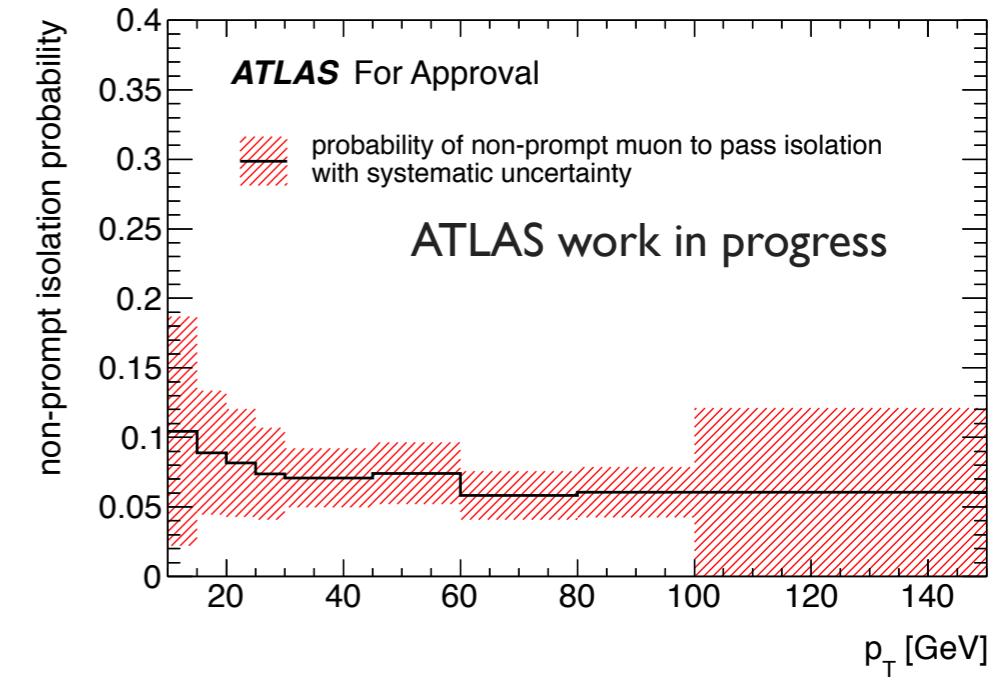


# Background estimation

Non-prompt (“fake”) muons are **dominant** background (83%)

- 1) semi-leptonic b-hadron decays
- 2) pion and kaon decay-in-flight

- ▶ Data-driven technique applied to obtain event yield for fakes
- ▶ From heavy-flavor-enriched control samples, obtain fake rate
  - fake rate = fraction of non-prompt muons that pass isolation requirement (among those passing other selection requirements)
- ▶ differences among control samples used to derive systematic uncertainty
- ▶ at least 30% uncertainty
- ▶ 80% systematic in low  $p_T$  bins
- ▶ fake rate approximately flat (7%) above 100 GeV
- ▶ With fake rate, extract background estimate from pairs where one or both muons in the signal region are non-prompt
- ▶ Other backgrounds
  - ▶ charge-flip: estimate obtained from data driven upper limit on charge-flip rate
  - ▶ SM background from dibosons: estimate obtained from MC



# Control region with intermediate isolation

► To test the fake rate method, fake enhanced control region considered

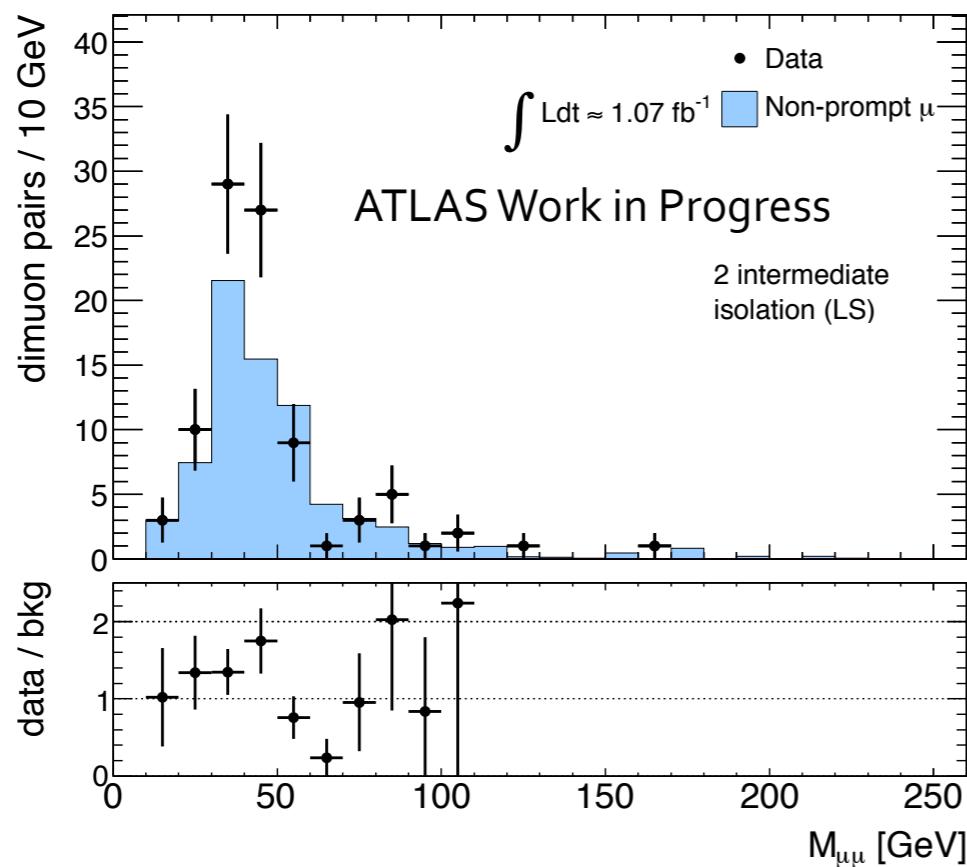
► All other muon selections the same, except for intermediate isolation:

if  $p_T < 50 \text{ GeV}$ :  $0.2 > p_{T\text{cone}0.4}/p_T > 0.1$

if  $p_T > 50 \text{ GeV}$ :  $5 > p_{T\text{cone}0.4} > 10 \text{ GeV}$

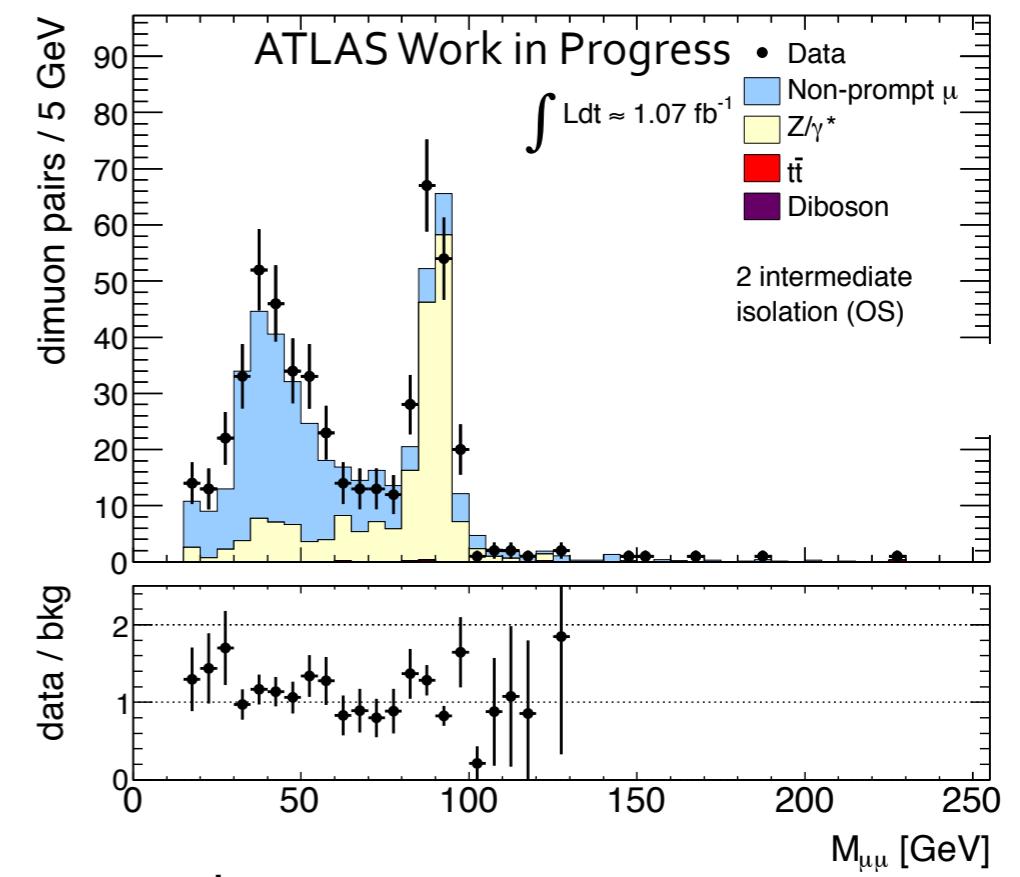
► Agreement between observation and prediction within systematic uncertainties

same-sign



prediction: 73  
observation: 90

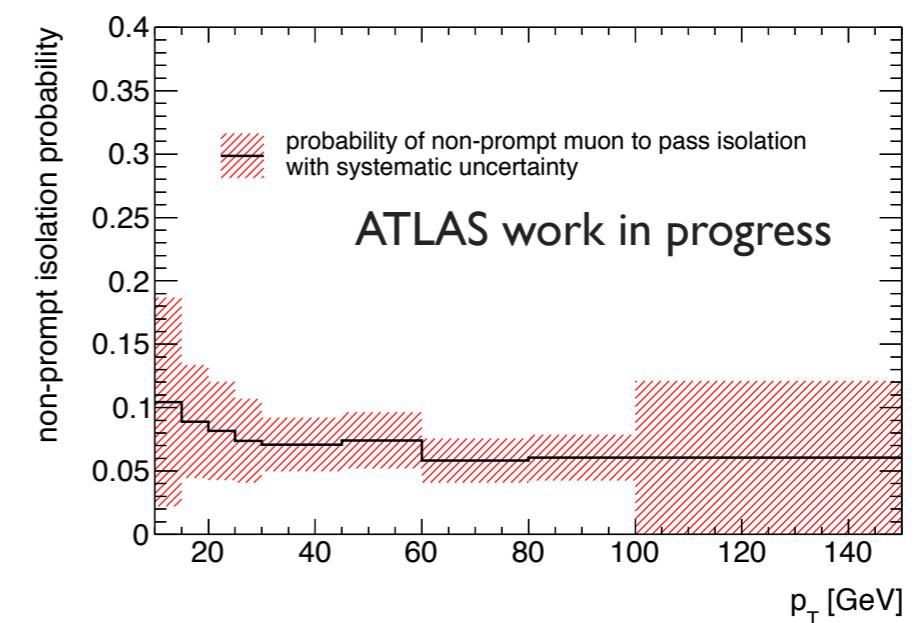
opposite-sign



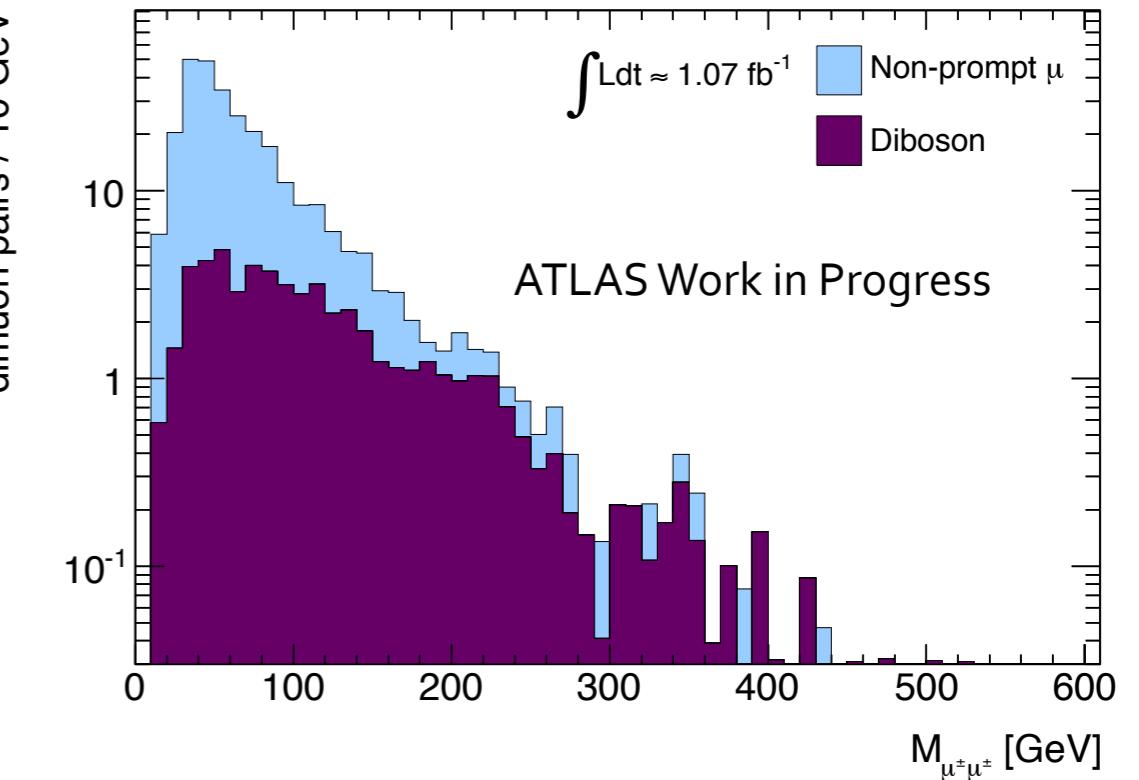
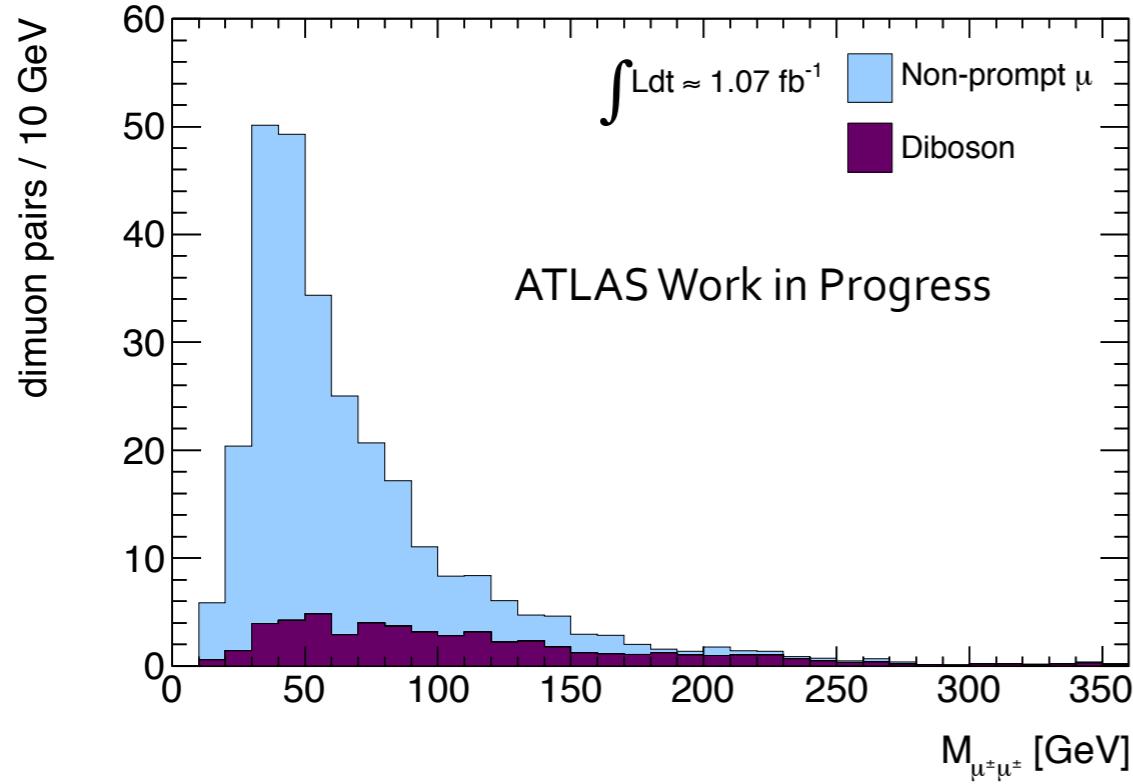
prediction: 224  
observation: 267  
( $m_{\mu\mu} < 60 \text{ GeV}$ )

# Systematic uncertainties

▶ Muon identification efficiency	1%
▶ Muon isolation efficiency	2.5%
▶ Muon momentum measurement	0.5%
▶ Trigger efficiency	0.4%
▶ Luminosity uncertainty	3.7%
▶ Non-prompt background estimate (binned in $p_T$ and $\eta$ )	30-100%
▶ Diboson cross section	15%

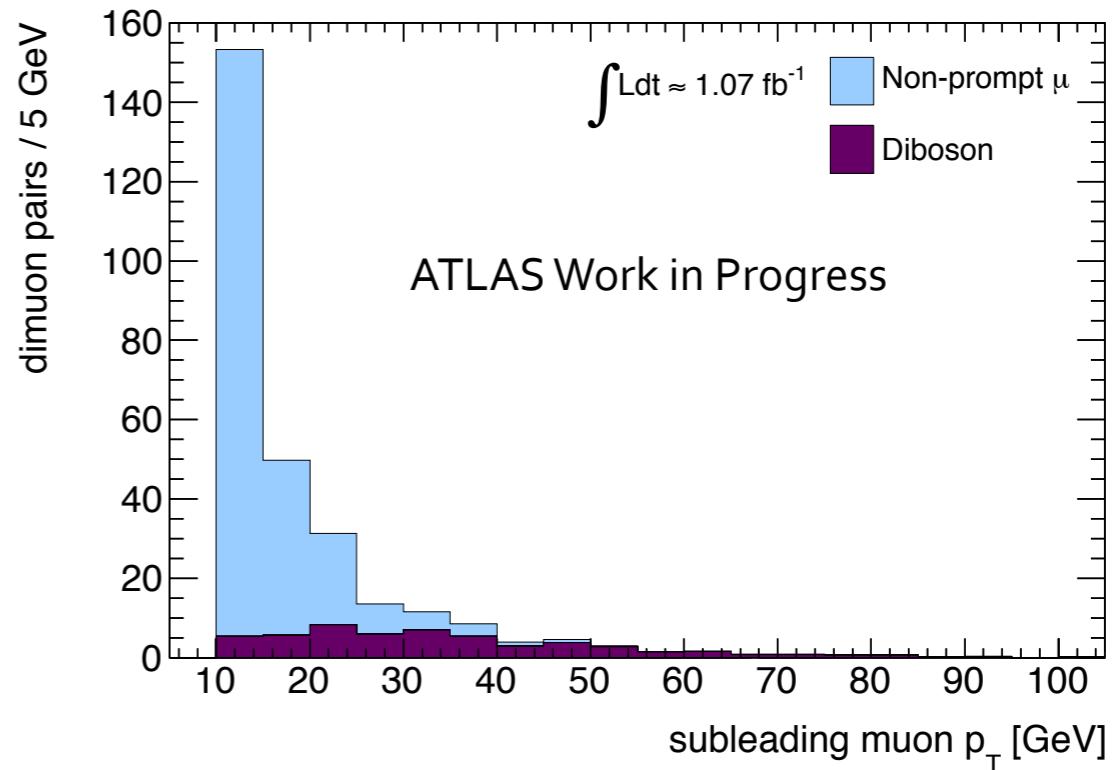
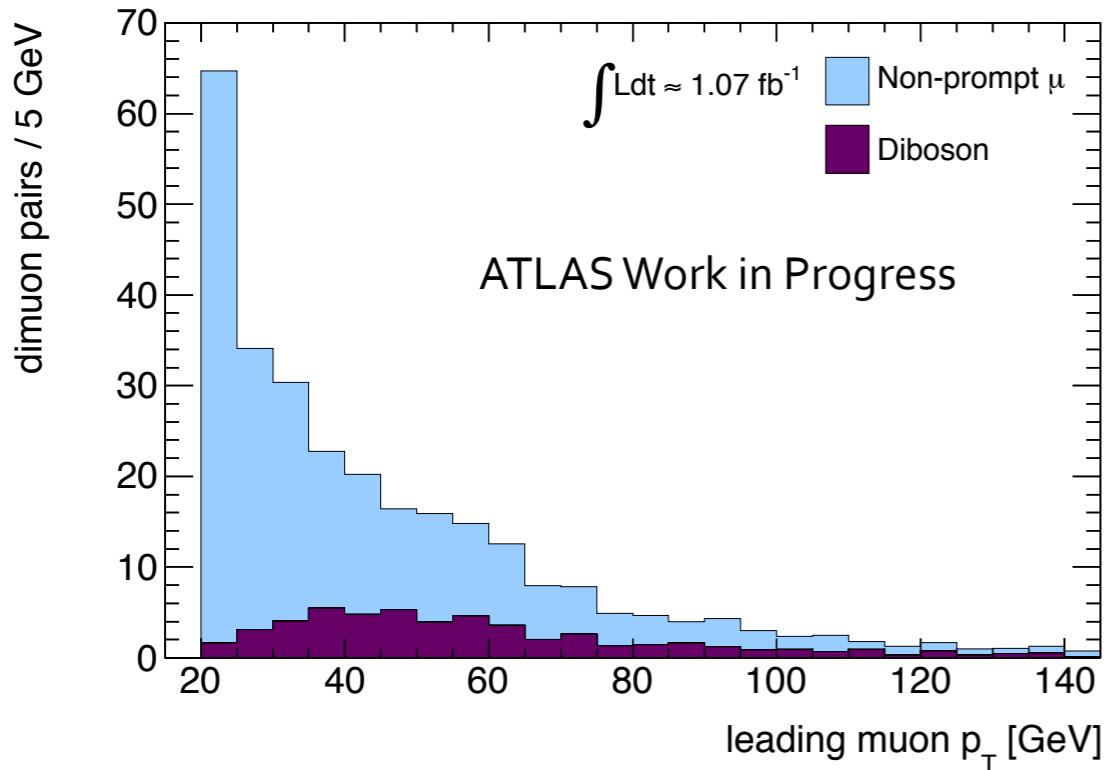


# Signal region prediction: invariant mass



- ▶ non-prompt background is dominant
- ▶ smaller contribution from dibosons
- ▶ since charge flip rate is small for muons, no contribution

# Signal region muon kinematics



- ▶ data comparison coming soon!

# Event yield with systematics

2010 with  $34 \text{ pb}^{-1}$ :

	$n_{\text{obs}}$	$n_{\text{pred}}$	$n_{\text{fake}}$	$n_{\text{charge-flip}}^{\text{sim}}$	$n_{\text{diboson}}^{\text{sim}}$
$ee$	10	$21.8 \pm 9.4 \pm 3.8$	$11.1 \pm 9.4 \pm 2.8$	$10.1 \pm 0.9 \pm 2.5$	$0.6 \pm 0.0 \pm 0.1$
$\mu\mu$	9	$6.1 \pm 2.8 \pm 1.2$	$4.8 \pm 2.8 \pm 1.2$	—	$1.3 \pm 0.0 \pm 0.1$
$e\mu$	25	$17.5 \pm 9.3 \pm 3.7$	$15.0 \pm 9.3 \pm 3.7$	$0.5 \pm 0.2 \pm 0.1$	$2.1 \pm 0.0 \pm 0.2$

2011 with  $1.07 \text{ fb}^{-1} (\mu\mu)$ :

Sample	Number of Events			
	$M_{ll} > 15 \text{ GeV}$	$M_{ll} > 100 \text{ GeV}$	$M_{ll} > 200 \text{ GeV}$	$M_{ll} > 300 \text{ GeV}$
non-prompt muons	$227^{+67}_{-119}$	$26.1^{+11.2}_{-12.4}$	$3.25^{+1.97}_{-1.79}$	$0.49 \pm 0.35$
charge flip	$0.0^{+2.0}_{-0.0}$	$0.0^{+0.6}_{-0.0}$	$0.0^{+0.4}_{-0.0}$	$0.0^{+0.4}_{-0.0}$
$W^\pm Z$	$34.9 \pm 5.2$	$16.2 \pm 2.7$	$5.08 \pm 0.98$	$1.17 \pm 0.33$
$ZZ$	$7.97 \pm 1.22$	$3.04 \pm 0.52$	$0.56 \pm 0.11$	$0.16 \pm 0.045$
$W^\pm W^\pm jj$	$1.79 \pm 0.91$	$1.16 \pm 0.59$	$0.53 \pm 0.27$	$0.17 \pm 0.09$
$t\bar{t}W^\pm$	$0.81 \pm 0.40$	$0.41 \pm 0.21$	$0.12 \pm 0.06$	$0.042 \pm 0.025$
sum	$272^{+67}_{-119}$	$46.9^{+11.5}_{-12.7}$	$9.55^{+2.22}_{-2.06}$	$2.03^{+0.63}_{-0.49}$
data	observed yield coming soon!			

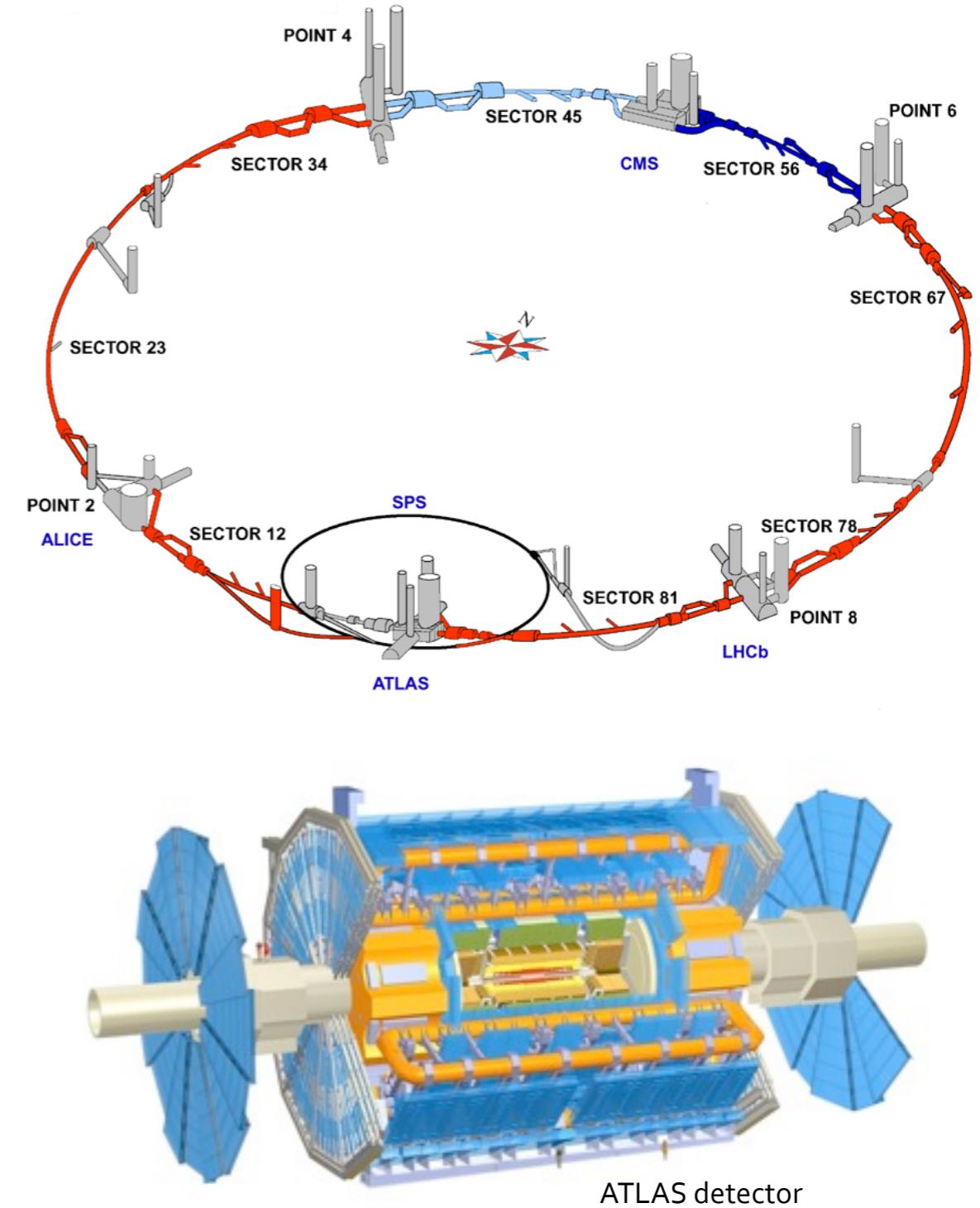
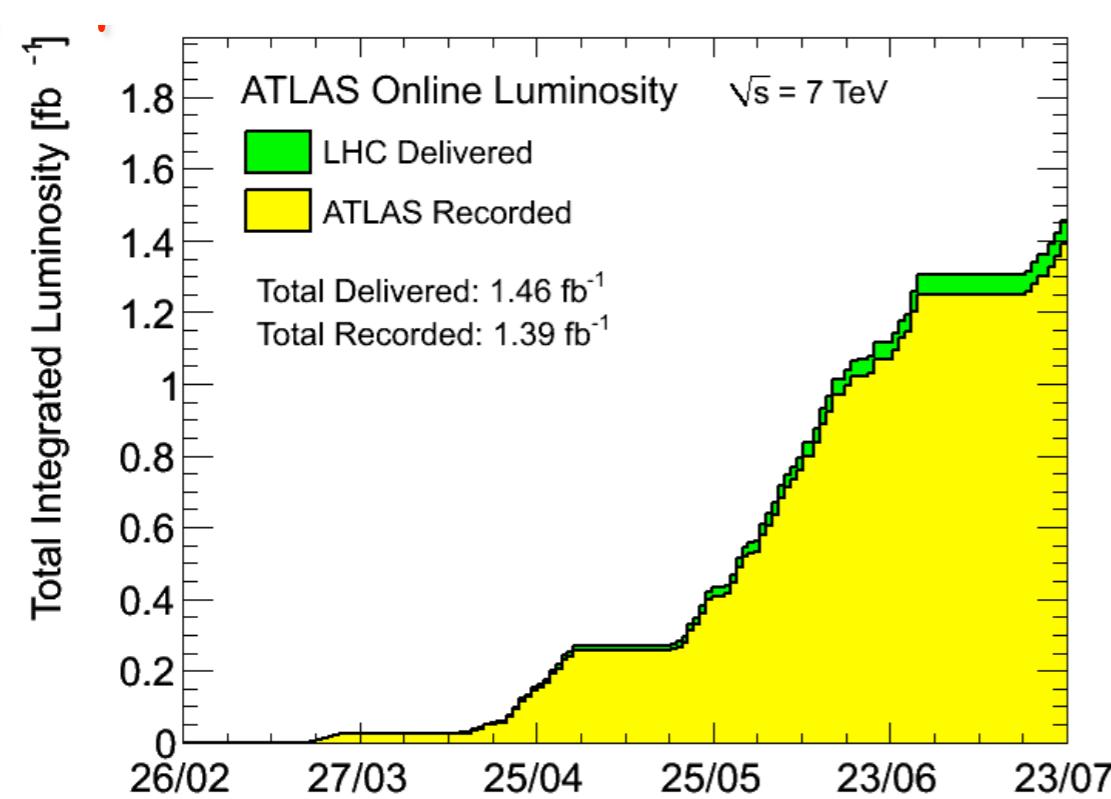
# Conclusion

- ▶ An inclusive search for anomalous production of same-sign dileptons was performed with the 2010 dataset, and is in progress for the 2011 data
- ▶ In 2010, no excess beyond the Standard Model was observed, and competitive limits were placed on four BSM models
- ▶ With a factor of 30 more data, expect that the limits with the 2011 dataset will be MUCH more stringent, if no disagreement with SM is found
- ▶ Currently investigating limits on specific model: doubly charged Higgs bosons

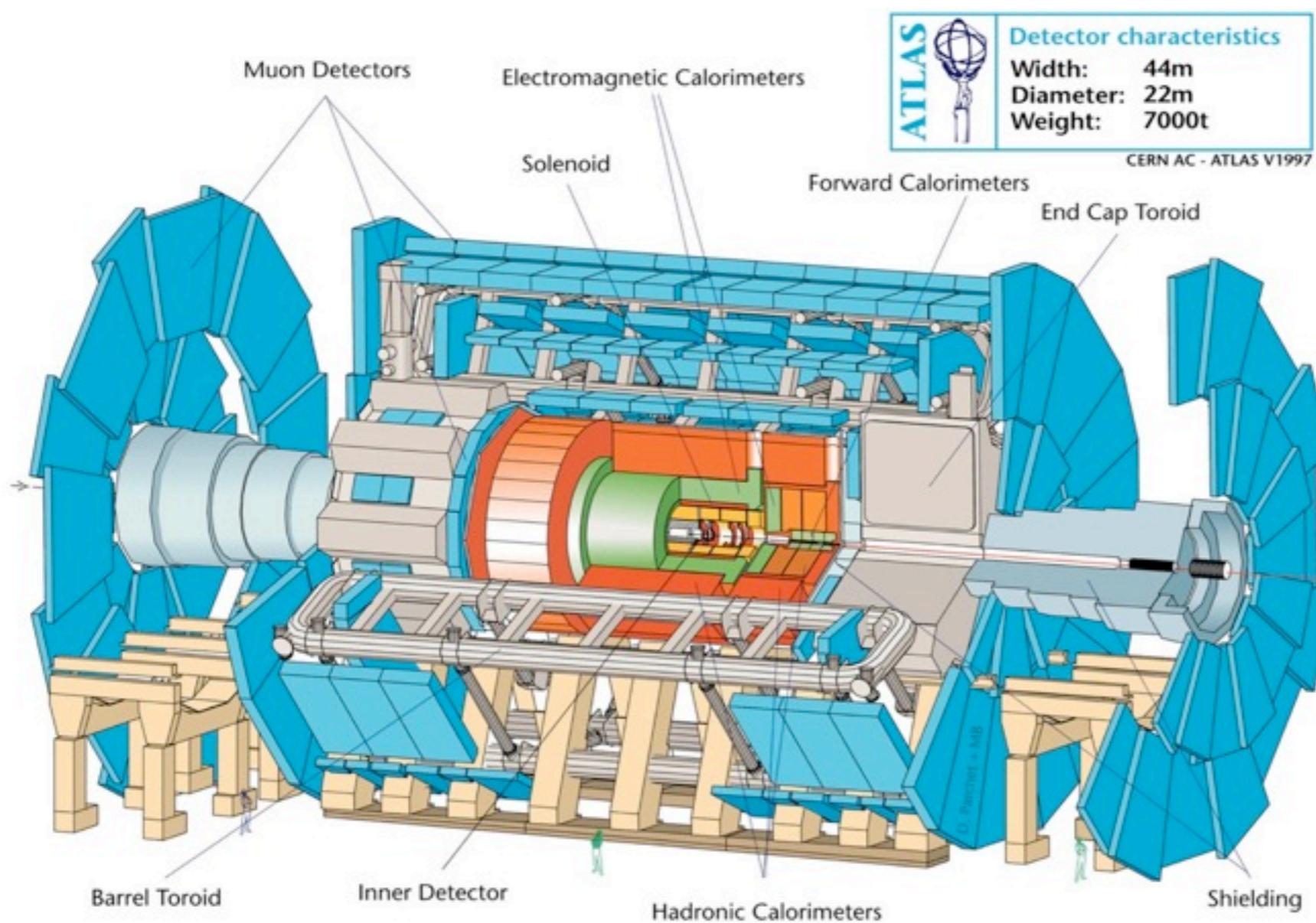
# Backup

# Large Hadron Collider

- ▶ proton-proton collider
- ▶ four detectors along beamline
  - ▶ ATLAS
  - ▶ CMS
  - ▶ LHCb
  - ▶ ALICE



# ATLAS detector



- ▶ Inner detector (yellow) - responsible for particle tracking
- ▶ Calorimeters (green and orange) - records energy of electromagnetically and strongly interacting particles
- ▶ Muon system (blue) - measures muon momentum

# Systematic uncertainties

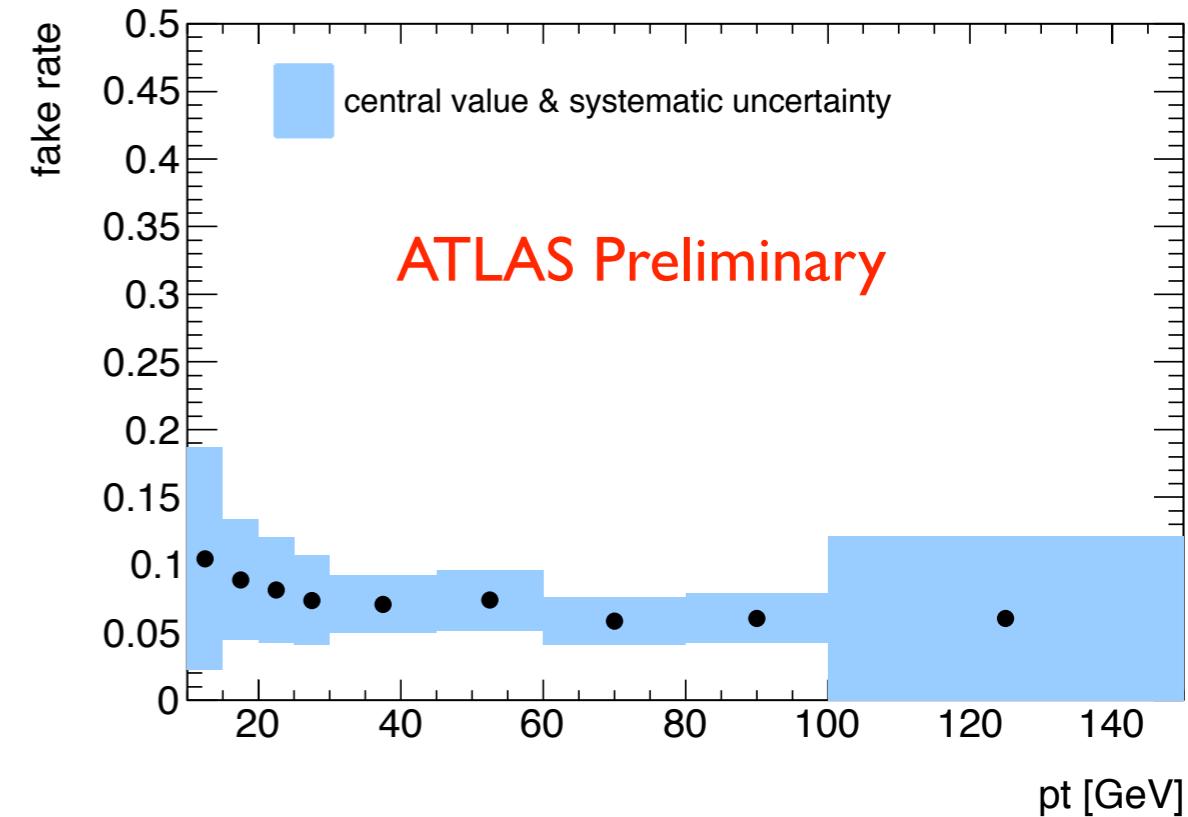
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*evaluated separately in each invariant mass bin*
- ▶ Diboson cross section
  - ▶ WZ/WW: 15%  
*depending on cuts, k-factor varied from 1.4 to 1.7*
  - ▶ WWjj, ttbarW: 50%

# Derivation of fake rate

- ▶ Heavy-flavor enhanced control samples used to derive fake rate

## 1) Dimuon sample

- ▶ two muon trigger with lower threshold of 10 GeV
- ▶ two muons passing selection except for isolation and  $d_0$  significance
- ▶  $15 < M_{\mu\mu} < 45$  GeV  
**suppresses Drell-Yan**
- ▶  $d_0$  significance  $> 5$



## 2) Same trigger sample

- ▶ use same trigger as analysis for  $p_T > 20$  GeV
- ▶  $d_0$  significance  $> 5$
- ▶ control sample factors in fake rate dependence on muon trigger

## 3) Low $m_T$ sample

- ▶ single muon trigger used, and away side jet with  $p_T$  greater than 20 GeV required
- ▶  $m_T < 10$  GeV  
**reduces contribution from prompt muons from W**
- ▶ this sample probes fake rate from decay-in-flights in addition to heavy flavor decays

- ▶ differences among control samples used to derive systematic uncertainty
- ▶ at least 30% uncertainty
- ▶ 80% systematic in low  $p_T$  bins
- ▶ fake rate approximately flat (7%) above 100 GeV



# Application of fake rate

- ▶ Background estimate from matrix method
- ▶ Two sets of muons
  - ▶ TIGHT - pass isolation
  - ▶ LOOSE - fail isolation
- ▶ Four observables:  $N_{TT}$ ,  $N_{TL}$ ,  $N_{LT}$ ,  $N_{LL}$

$$\begin{pmatrix} N_{TT} \\ N_{TL} \\ N_{LT} \\ N_{LL} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} rr & rf & fr & ff \\ r(1-r) & r(1-f) & f(1-r) & f(1-f) \\ (1-r)r & (1-r)f & (1-f)r & (1-f)f \\ (1-r)(1-r) & (1-r)(1-f) & (1-f)(1-r) & (1-f)(1-f) \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} N_{RR} \\ N_{RF} \\ N_{FR} \\ N_{FF} \end{pmatrix}$$

- ▶ Fake rate and signal efficiency used to relate observables to true composition in signal region

$$N_f = rfN_{RF} + frN_{FR} + ffN_{FF}$$

- ▶ Invert first equation to get signal prediction,  $N_{TT}$

$$N_{TT} = rrN_{RR} + rfN_{RF} + frN_{FR} + ffN_{FF}$$

↑  
MC-derived