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## Top-quark pair production in Pb+Pb collisions in the ATLAS experiment

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In relativistic heavy-ion collisions, top quarks are expected to be attractive candidates for probing the quark-gluon plasma as well as to bring unique information about the time evolution of strongly interacting matter. We report the first study of top-quark pair production in lead-lead collisions at the centre-of-mass energy of 5.02 TeV with the ATLAS experiment at the LHC. The dataset was recorded in 2015 and 2018, amounting to an integrated luminosity of  $1.9~{\rm nb}^{-1}$ . Top-quark pair production cross section is studied in the e $\mu$  channel. The result is compared to theory predictions based on different nuclear PDF sets.

## Category

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