

Multi-boson production at the LHC

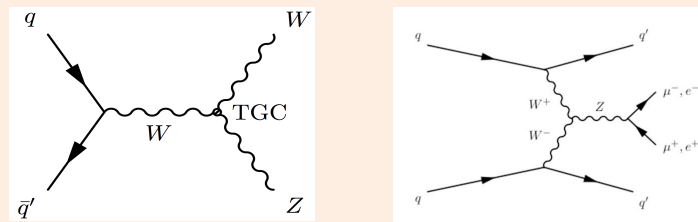


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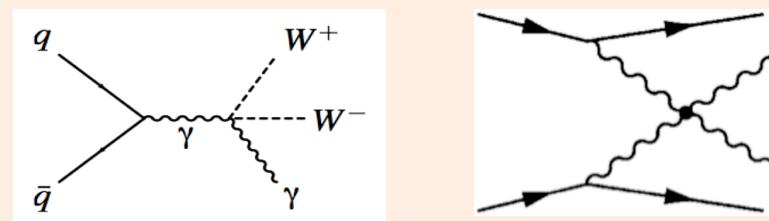
Multi-boson final states

- Rich physics program to test the **electro-weak self-coupling**.
- Constrain new physics in the framework of **effective Lagrangian** and **anomalous gauge couplings**.
- Main background to many Higgs channels and BSM searches.
- Accessible couplings

- Triple gauge couplings (TGC)
 - Di-boson final states.
 - Vector Boson Fusion



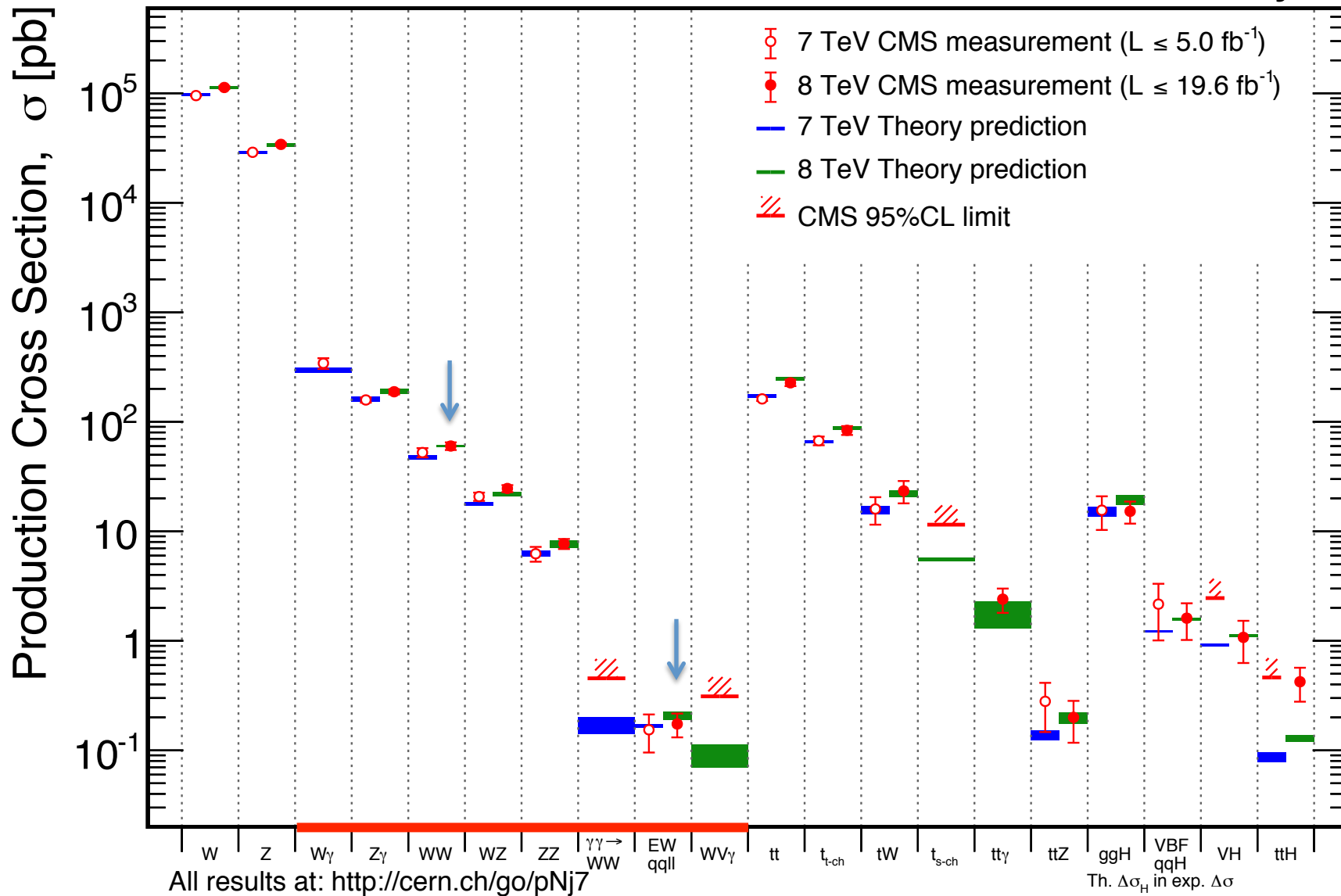
- Quartic gauge couplings (QGC)
 - Tri-boson final states.
 - Vector Boson scattering / gamma-gamma induced exclusive production.



Overview

CMS Preliminary

Mar 2015



Overview

Multiboson Cross Section Measurements

Status: March 2015

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[fb⁻¹]

Reference

$\sigma^{\text{fid}}(\gamma\gamma)[\Delta R_{\gamma\gamma} > 0.4]$

$\sigma = 44.0 \pm 3.2 \pm 4.2 \text{ pb (data)}$
 $2\gamma\text{NNLO (theory)}$

ATLAS Preliminary

4.9

JHEP 01, 086 (2013)

$\sigma^{\text{fid}}(W\gamma \rightarrow \ell\nu\gamma)$

$\sigma = 2.77 \pm 0.03 \pm 0.36 \text{ pb (data)}$
NNLO (theory)

4.6

PRD 87, 112003 (2013)
arXiv:1407.1618 [hep-ph]

$- [n_{\text{jet}} = 0]$

$\sigma = 1.76 \pm 0.03 \pm 0.22 \text{ pb (data)}$
NNLO (theory)

4.6

PRD 87, 112003 (2013)

$\sigma^{\text{fid}}(Z\gamma \rightarrow \ell\ell\gamma)$

$\sigma = 1.31 \pm 0.02 \pm 0.12 \text{ pb (data)}$
NNLO (theory)

4.6

PRD 87, 112003 (2013)
arXiv:1407.1618 [hep-ph]

$- [n_{\text{jet}} = 0]$

$\sigma = 1.05 \pm 0.02 \pm 0.11 \text{ pb (data)}$
NNLO (theory)

4.6

PRD 87, 112003 (2013)

$\sigma^{\text{fid}}(W\gamma\gamma \rightarrow \ell\nu\gamma\gamma)$

$\sigma = 6.1 \pm 1.1 \pm 1.0 \pm 1.2 \text{ fb (data)}$
MCFM NLO (theory)

Run 1 $\sqrt{s} = 7, 8 \text{ TeV}$

20.3

arXiv:1503.03243 [hep-ex]

$- [n_{\text{jet}} = 0]$

$\sigma = 2.9 \pm 0.8 \pm 0.7 \pm 1.0 \pm 0.9 \text{ fb (data)}$
MCFM NLO (theory)

20.3

arXiv:1503.03243 [hep-ex]

$\sigma^{\text{fid}}(pp \rightarrow WV \rightarrow \ell\nu qq)$

$\sigma = 1.37 \pm 0.14 \pm 0.37 \text{ pb (data)}$
MC@NLO (theory)

4.6

JHEP 01, 049 (2015)

$\sigma^{\text{fid}}(W^\pm W^\pm jj) \text{ EWK}$

$\sigma = 1.3 \pm 0.4 \pm 0.2 \text{ fb (data)}$
PowhegBox (theory)

20.3

PRL 113, 141803 (2014)

$\sigma^{\text{total}}(pp \rightarrow WW)$

$\sigma = 51.9 \pm 2.0 \pm 4.4 \text{ pb (data)}$
MCFM (theory)

4.6

PRD 87, 112001 (2013)

$- \sigma^{\text{fid}}(WW \rightarrow ee) [n_{\text{jet}}=0]$

$\sigma = 71.4 \pm 1.2 \pm 5.5 \pm 4.9 \text{ pb (data)}$
MCFM (theory)

20.3

ATLAS-CONF-2014-033

$- \sigma^{\text{fid}}(WW \rightarrow \mu\mu) [n_{\text{jet}}=0]$

$\sigma = 56.4 \pm 6.8 \pm 10.0 \text{ fb (data)}$
MCFM (theory)

4.6

PRD 87, 112001 (2013)

$- \sigma^{\text{fid}}(WW \rightarrow \mu\mu) [n_{\text{jet}}=0]$

$\sigma = 73.9 \pm 5.9 \pm 7.5 \text{ fb (data)}$
MCFM (theory)

4.6

PRD 87, 112001 (2013)

$- \sigma^{\text{fid}}(WW \rightarrow e\mu) [n_{\text{jet}}=0]$

$\sigma = 262.3 \pm 12.3 \pm 23.1 \text{ fb (data)}$
MCFM (theory)

4.6

PRD 87, 112001 (2013)

$- \sigma^{\text{fid}}(WW \rightarrow e\mu) [n_{\text{jet}} \geq 0]$

$\sigma = 563.0 \pm 28.0 \pm 79.0 \pm 85.0 \text{ fb (data)}$
MCFM (theory)

4.6

arXiv:1407.0573 [hep-ex]

$\sigma^{\text{total}}(pp \rightarrow WZ)$

$\sigma = 19.0 \pm 1.4 \pm 1.3 \pm 1.0 \text{ pb (data)}$
MCFM (theory)

4.6

EPJC 72, 2173 (2012)

$- \sigma^{\text{fid}}(WZ \rightarrow \ell\nu\ell\ell)$

$\sigma = 20.3 \pm 0.8 \pm 0.7 \pm 1.4 \pm 1.3 \text{ pb (data)}$
MCFM (theory)

13.0

ATLAS-CONF-2013-021

$\sigma^{\text{total}}(pp \rightarrow ZZ)$

$\sigma = 99.2 \pm 3.8 \pm 3.0 \pm 6.0 \pm 6.2 \text{ fb (data)}$
MCFM (theory)

13.0

ATLAS-CONF-2013-021

$- \sigma^{\text{total}}(pp \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 4\ell)$

$\sigma = 6.7 \pm 0.7 \pm 0.5 \pm 0.4 \text{ pb (data)}$
MCFM (theory)

4.6

JHEP 03, 128 (2013)

$- \sigma^{\text{fid}}(ZZ \rightarrow 4\ell)$

$\sigma = 7.1 \pm 0.5 \pm 0.4 \pm 0.4 \text{ pb (data)}$
MCFM (theory)

20.3

ATLAS-CONF-2013-020
arXiv:1403.5657 [hep-ex]

$- \sigma^{\text{fid}}(ZZ^* \rightarrow 4\ell)$

$\sigma = 76.0 \pm 18.0 \pm 4.0 \text{ fb (data)}$
Powheg (theory)

4.5

JHEP 03, 128 (2013)

$- \sigma^{\text{fid}}(ZZ^* \rightarrow \ell\nu\nu)$

$\sigma = 107.0 \pm 9.0 \pm 5.0 \text{ fb (data)}$
Powheg (theory)

20.3

arXiv:1403.5657 [hep-ex]

$\sigma = 25.4 \pm 3.3 \pm 3.0 \pm 1.6 \pm 1.4 \text{ fb (data)}$
PowhegBox & ggZZ (theory)

4.6

JHEP 03, 128 (2013)

$\sigma = 20.7 \pm 1.3 \pm 1.2 \pm 1.0 \text{ fb (data)}$
MCFM (theory)

20.3

ATLAS-CONF-2013-020

$\sigma = 29.8 \pm 3.8 \pm 3.5 \pm 2.1 \pm 1.9 \text{ fb (data)}$
PowhegBox & ggZZ (theory)

4.6

JHEP 03, 128 (2013)

$\sigma = 12.7 \pm 3.1 \pm 2.9 \pm 1.8 \text{ fb (data)}$
PowhegBox & ggZZ (theory)

4.6

JHEP 03, 128 (2013)

0.2 0.4 0.6 0.8 1.0 1.2 1.4 1.6 1.8 2.0 2.2 2.4 2.6

observed/theory

LHC pp $\sqrt{s} = 7 \text{ TeV}$

Theory

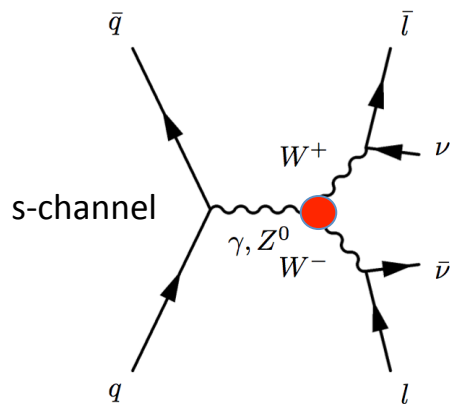
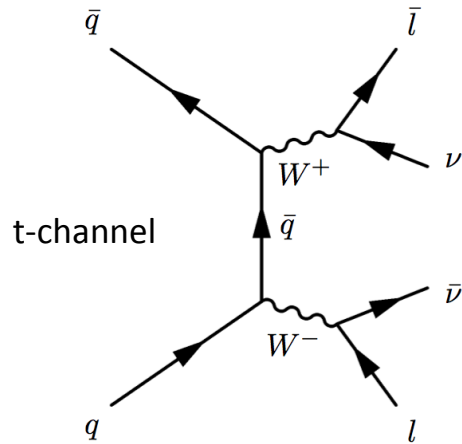
Observed
stat
stat+syst

LHC pp $\sqrt{s} = 8 \text{ TeV}$

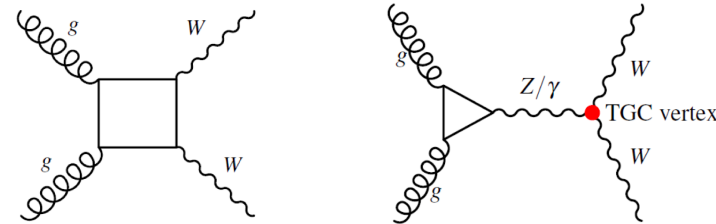
Theory

Observed
stat
stat+syst

WW production



- Signature two leptons and MET.
- Small contribution (3%) from gg:



- Important background to H->WW.
- Study of charge triple gauge boson vertex.
- Run-1 results:
ATLAS (20ifb 8TeV), CONF-2014-033
CMS (20ifb 8TeV), CMS-PAS-SMP-14-016

WW production

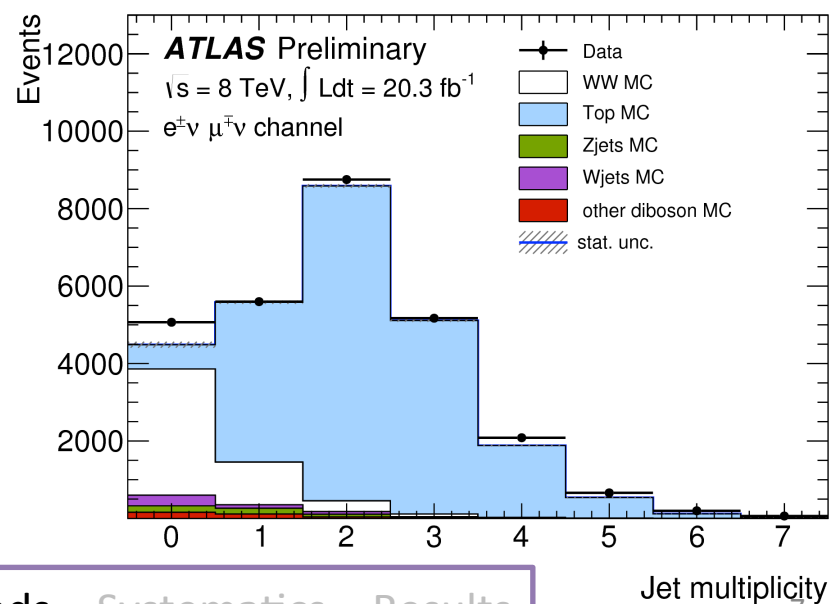
| | ATLAS | CMS |
|-----------------------------------|--------|------------|
| Fiducial and total cross section. | | |
| H→WW | signal | background |
| Signal Acceptance | ~5% | ~4.2% |

| Selection | ATLAS | CMS |
|-----------------------------------|--|---|
| 2 leptons OS | $e, \mu : p_T > 20 \text{ GeV}$ | $e, \mu : p_T > 20 \text{ GeV}$ |
| | $p_T(l_1) > 25 \text{ GeV}$ | |
| $m(l\bar{l})$ | $> 15 \text{ GeV} (ee, \mu\mu), > 10 \text{ GeV} (e\mu)$ | $> 12 \text{ GeV}$ |
| Z veto ($ m_{l\bar{l}} - m_Z $) | $< 15 \text{ GeV}$ | $< 15 \text{ GeV}$ |
| $E_T^{\text{miss}} (\text{rel})$ | $> (45, 45, 15) \text{ GeV}, (\mu\mu, ee, e\mu)$ | $> 20 \text{ GeV}$ |
| additional cuts | $p_T^{\text{miss}} > (45, 45, 20) \text{ GeV}, (\mu\mu, ee, e\mu)$ $\Delta\phi(p_T^{\text{miss}}, E_T^{\text{miss}}) < 0.6$ | MVA to reduce Drell Yan |
| Jet veto | $N > 0, p_T > 25 \text{ GeV}, \eta < 4.5, \text{anti-kt}, DR = 0.4$ | $N > 1, p_T > 25 \text{ GeV}, \eta < 4.5, \text{anti-kt}, DR = 0.4$ |
| heavy flavour | - | top veto |

Backgrounds WW

- Dominant backgrounds
 - Top pair
 - Use control regions to estimate top contribution.
 - V+jets
 - Estimate probability of jets being identified as leptons.
 - diboson
 - Use MC prediction (ATLAS).
 - $W\gamma^*$ normalised to control regions in data (CMS).

| Background | ATLAS | CMS |
|------------------|-------|------|
| top | 52% | 42% |
| W+j | 15% | 26% |
| Z+j | 20% | 10% |
| diboson | 14% | 12% |
| other (higgs) | | 10% |
| total bkg | 28% | 26% |
| total events exp | 5787 | 6981 |



Systematic uncertainties WW

- Cross section uncertainty
 - Theory 3-4%
 - dominant
 - Jet veto (ATLAS)
 - Jet counting (CMS)
 - Experimental 4-6%
 - dominant
 - Jet, MET related (ATLAS)
 - lepton efficiency (CMS)
 - background

| Source | Uncertainty (%) |
|---|-----------------|
| Statistical uncertainty | 1.5 |
| Luminosity | 2.6 |
| Lepton efficiency | 3.8 |
| Lepton momentum scale | 0.5 |
| E_T^{miss} resolution | 0.7 |
| Jet energy scale | 1.7 |
| $t\bar{t}+tW$ normalization | 2.2 |
| W + jets normalization | 1.3 |
| $Z/\gamma^* \rightarrow \ell^+\ell^-$ normalization | 0.6 |
| $Z/\gamma^* \rightarrow \tau^+\tau^-$ normalization | 0.2 |
| $W\gamma$ normalization | 0.3 |
| $W\gamma^*$ normalization | 0.4 |
| VV normalization | 3.0 |
| $H \rightarrow WW$ normalization | 0.8 |
| Jet counting theory model | 4.3 |
| PDFs | 1.2 |
| MC statistics | 0.9 |
| Total uncertainty | 7.9 |

CMS

Results WW

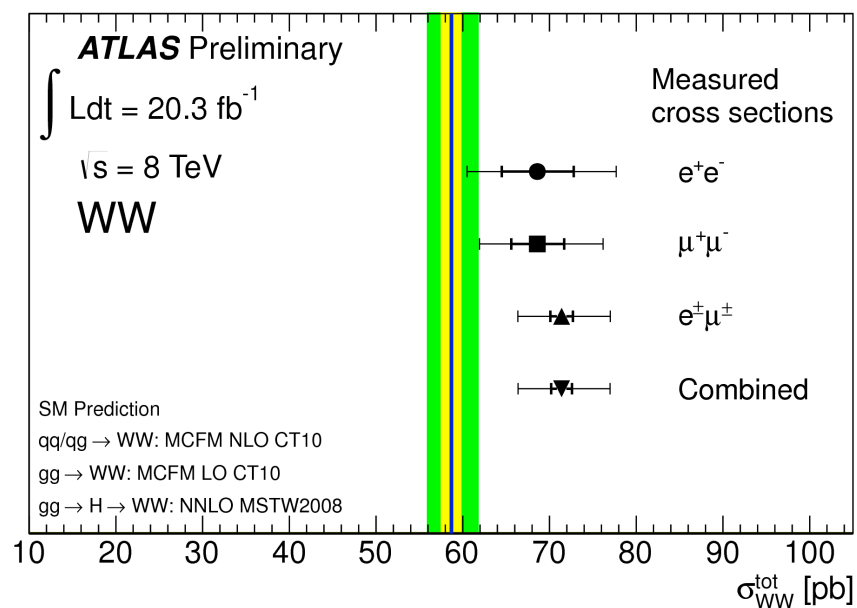
- Total cross section

CMS

$$60.1 \pm 0.9 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 3.2 \text{ (exp.)} \pm 3.1 \text{ (th.)} \pm 1.6 \text{ (lum.) pb.}$$

ATLAS

$$71.4^{+1.2}_{-1.2} \text{ (stat)} \text{ }^{+5.0}_{-4.4} \text{ (syst)} \text{ }^{+2.2}_{-2.1} \text{ (lumi) pb.}$$



ATLAS and CMS in agreement.

Theoretical predictions cited:

$59.8 \pm 1.2 \text{ pb}$ (CMS)

NNLO "qqbar+qq" (no H)

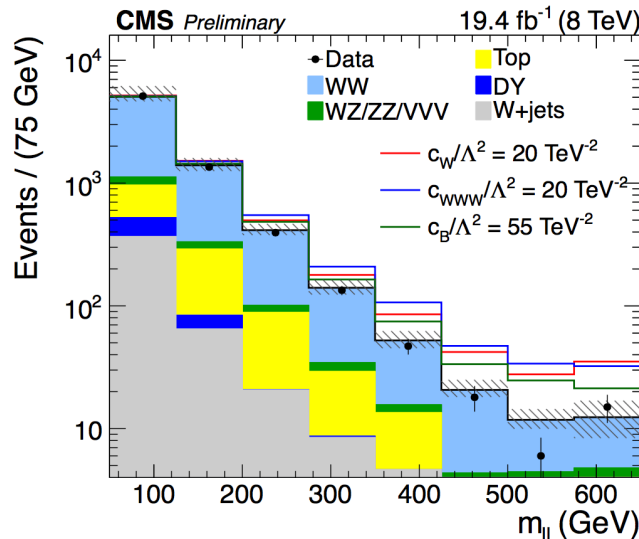
$58.7 \pm 2.9 \text{ pb}$ (ATLAS)

NLO qqbar + LO gg + NNLO H

Results WW

- Limits on charge aTGC in the EFT framework (CMS).

| Coupling constant | This result (TeV ⁻²) | This result 95% interval (TeV ⁻²) | World average (TeV ⁻²) |
|-----------------------|-------------------------------------|--|--|
| c_{WWW} / Λ^2 | $0.1^{+3.2}_{-3.2}$ | $[-5.7, 5.9]$ | -5.5 ± 4.8 (from λ_γ) |
| c_W / Λ^2 | $-3.6^{+5.0}_{-4.5}$ | $[-11.4, 5.4]$ | $-3.9^{+3.9}_{-4.8}$ (from g_1^Z) |
| c_B / Λ^2 | $-3.2^{+15.0}_{-14.5}$ | $[-29.2, 23.9]$ | $-1.7^{+13.6}_{-13.9}$ (from κ_γ and g_1^Z) |



$$\mathcal{O}_{WWW} = \frac{c_{WWW}}{\Lambda^2} \text{Tr}[W_{\mu\nu} W^{\nu\rho} W_\rho^\mu],$$

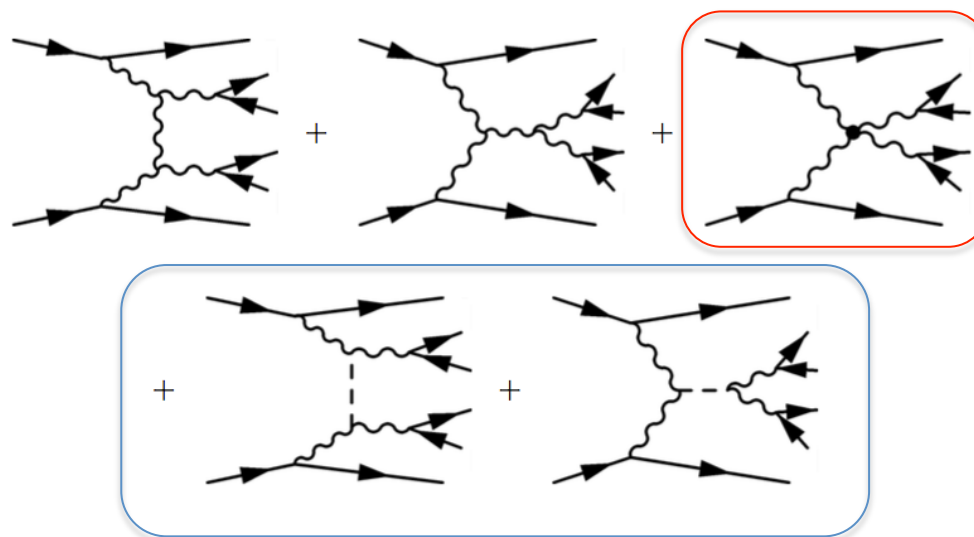
$$\mathcal{O}_W = \frac{c_W}{\Lambda^2} (D^\mu \Phi)^\dagger W_{\mu\nu} (D^\nu \Phi),$$

$$\mathcal{O}_B = \frac{c_B}{\Lambda^2} (D^\mu \Phi)^\dagger B_{\mu\nu} (D^\nu \Phi).$$

Dim 6 EFT operators

Multi-boson + 2 jets

- Study Vector Boson Scattering



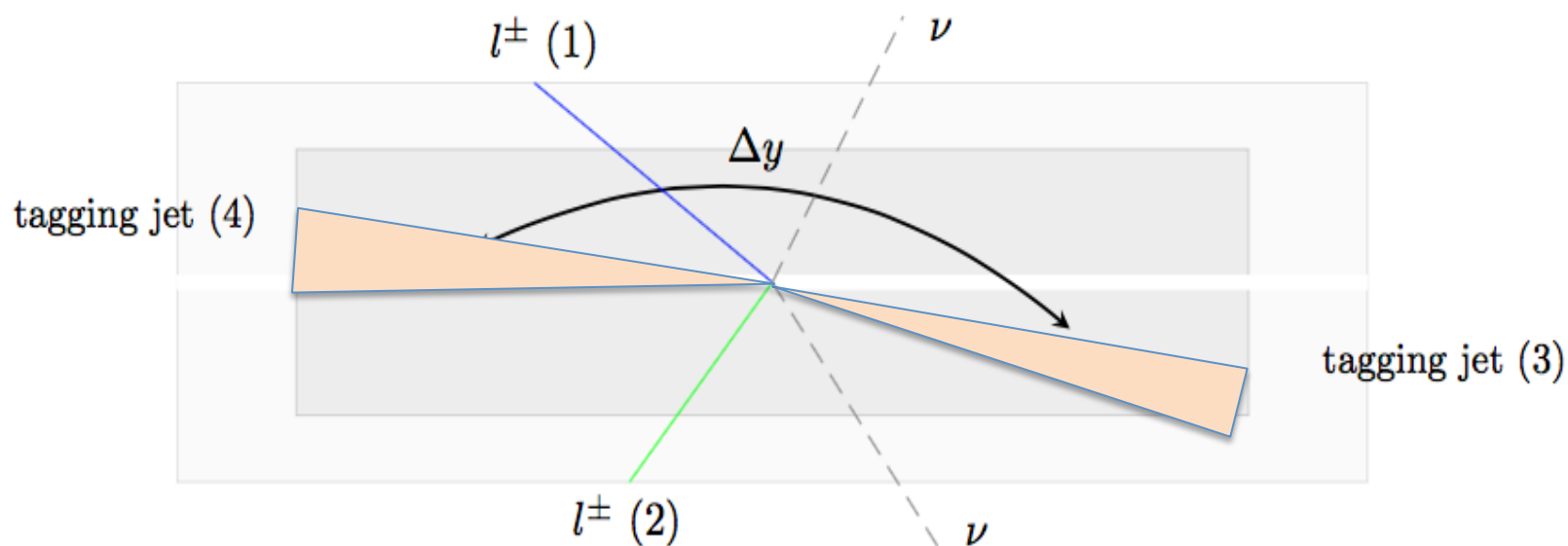
Quartic vertex and **Higgs** tame the cross section at high s .

Motivation: Discover VBS, set limits on BSM.

Signature: Two jets and two same sign W .

Multi-boson + 2 jets

- VBS topology: Two tagging jets, l^+l^+ , missing energy



Multi-boson + 2 jets

- Experimental results:

ATLAS – 8 TeV, 20 fb⁻¹

Phys. Rev. Lett. 113, 141803 (2014),

<http://arxiv.org/abs/1405.6241>

$\sigma(\text{QCD+EWK})$
 $\sigma(\text{EWK only})$
anomalous couplings

CMS – 8 TeV, 20 fb⁻¹

Phys. Rev. Lett. 114, 051801 (2015),

<http://arxiv.org/abs/1410.6315>

$\sigma(\text{EWK only})$
anomalous couplings
limits H⁺⁺, H⁻⁻

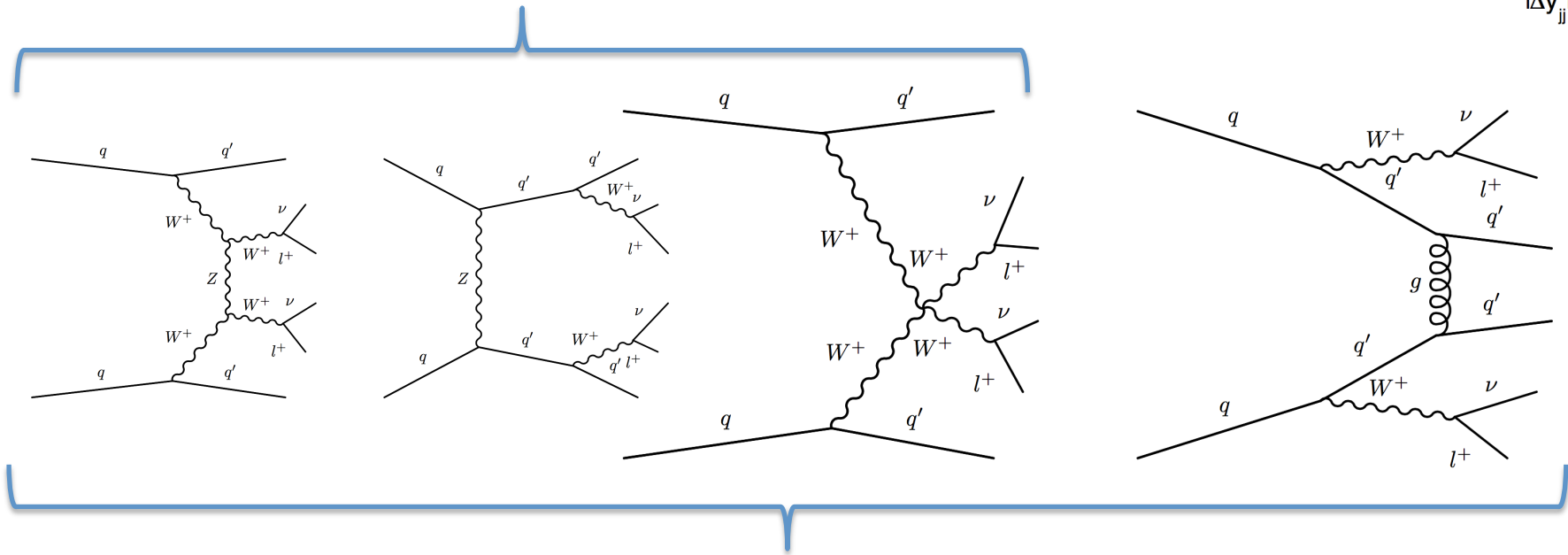
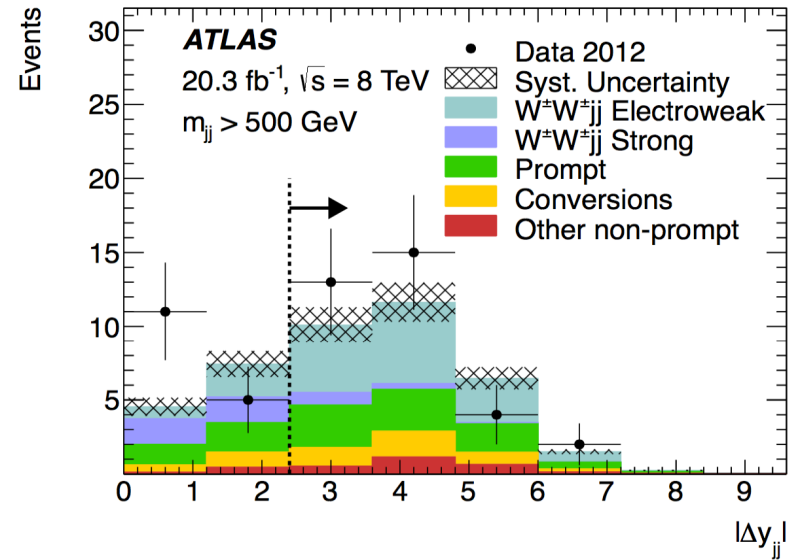
Multi-boson + 2 jets

- VBS topology: Two tagging jets, l^+l^+ , missing energy

| Object | ATLAS | CMS |
|---------------------|---------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 2 leptons | e, μ | $e, \mu, (\tau \rightarrow e, \mu)$ |
| lepton p_T | $> 25 \text{ GeV}$ | $> 20 \text{ GeV}$ |
| $\eta(l, \mu)$ | < 2.5 | $< 2.5 (2.4)$ |
| $m(l_l)$ | $> 20 \text{ GeV}$ | $> 50 \text{ GeV}$ |
| $\Delta R(l, l/j)$ | > 0.3 | > 0.3 |
| 2 jets anti-kT | $R=0.4$ | $R=0.5$ |
| $p_T(j)$ | $> 30 \text{ GeV}$ | $> 30 \text{ GeV}$ |
| $\eta(j)$ | < 4.5 | < 4.7 |
| $m(jj)$ | $> 500 \text{ GeV}$ | $> 500 \text{ GeV}$ |
| E_T^{miss} | $> 40 \text{ GeV}$ | $> 40 \text{ GeV}$ |

• Signal

EWK production:
 $\Delta y(jj) > 2.4$, ATLAS
 $\Delta \eta(jj) > 2.5$, CMS



EWK + QCD production (ATLAS)

Multi-boson + 2 jets

Main background sources:

prompt, conversions, other non-prompt.

- MC-based estimation:
 - WZ + jets
 - $W\gamma jj$, $tt+W/Z$, ZZ
 - Double parton scattering (negligible)
- Data-driven estimation:
 - Z + jets for ee and $e\mu$ channels (e charge miss identification)
 - Background with one or two jets mis-reconstructed as isolated leptons
- Top rejection (CMS)
 - Soft μ and b -jet detection to reduce top related backgrounds (tt , tW)

Multi-boson + 2 jets

- **Cross section extraction**

- Profile likelihood ratio method, simultaneous fit over all three channels.

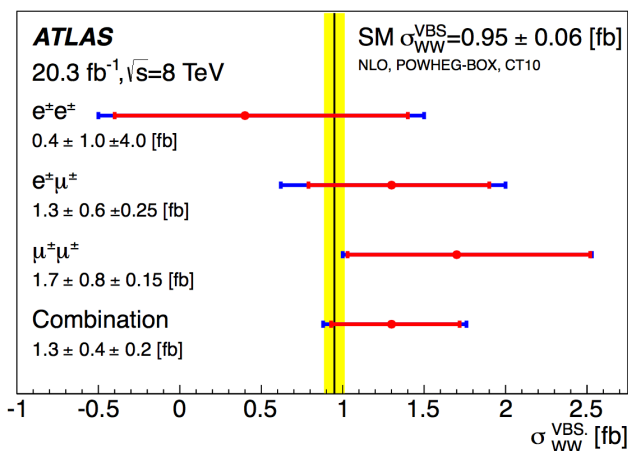
- **CMS** :

- Fiducial volume definition extrapolating from signal selection:

- **ATLAS**:

- Inclusive and VBS fiducial volumes corresponding to event selection.

$p_T(l) > 10 \text{ GeV}$
 $|\eta(l)| < 2.5$
 $p_T(j) > 20 \text{ GeV}$
 $|\eta(j)| < 5.0$
 $m(jj) > 300 \text{ GeV}$
 $|\Delta y(jj)| > 2.5$



$$\sigma_{\text{fid}}(W^\pm W^\pm jj) = 4.0_{-2.0}^{+2.4} (\text{stat})_{-1.0}^{+1.1} (\text{syst}) \text{ fb}$$

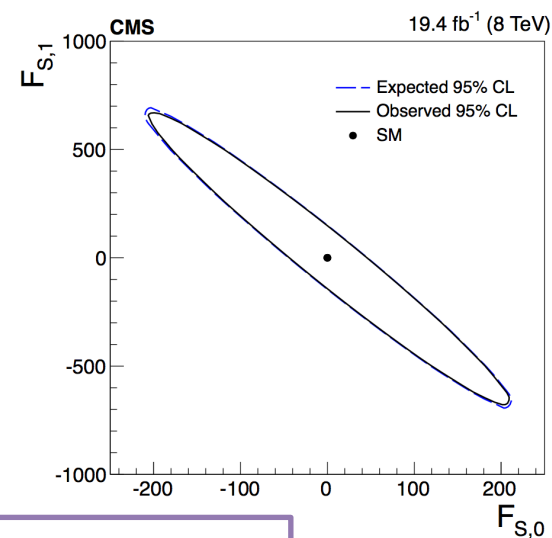
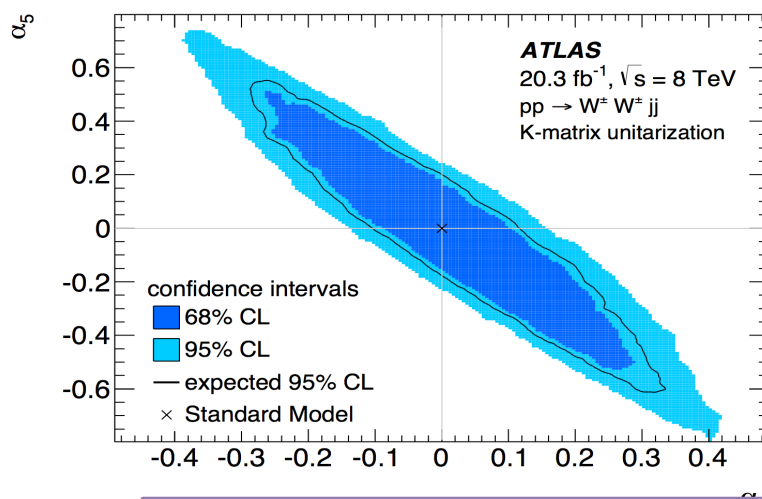
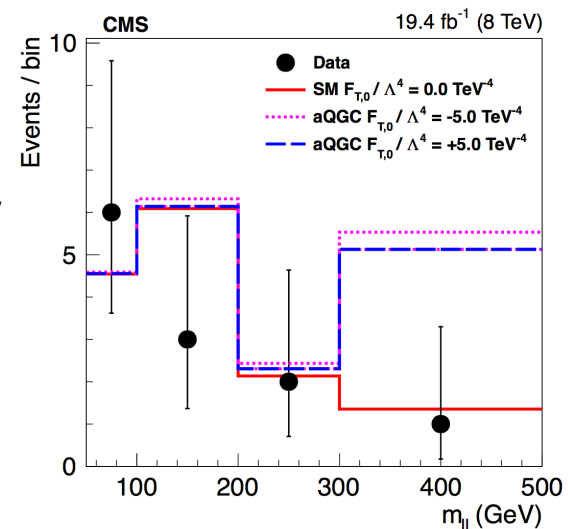
Expected : $5.8 \pm 1.2 \text{ fb}$

CMS

Multi-boson + 2 jets

- **Anomalous couplings**

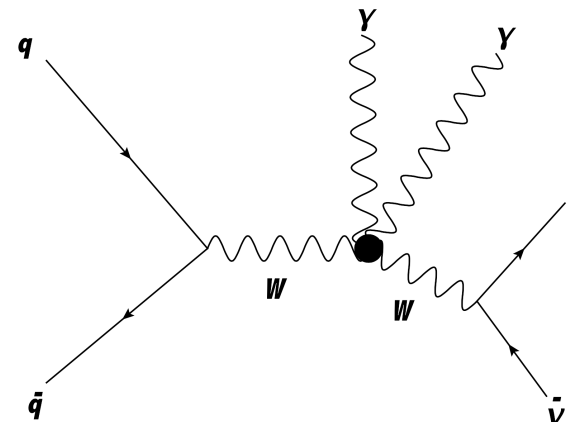
- Effective theory to assess agreement with SM.
- Constrain additional operators to guard unitarity
- **CMS** :
Dim-8 operators, C,P conserving.
 $m(\text{H})$ differential cross section.
- **ATLAS**:
k-matrix unitarisation and α parameterisation
VBS fiducial cross section.



- **Tri-boson final state**

- $\gamma\gamma(W \rightarrow l\nu)$, $l=e, \mu$
- First cross section measurement of tri-boson production.
 - Inclusive
 - Exclusive (no jets)
- Access to anomalous quartic gauge boson couplings.

$W \gamma\gamma$



| Cuts | $pp \rightarrow \ell\nu\gamma\gamma$ |
|---|--------------------------------------|
| Lepton | $p_T^\ell > 20 \text{ GeV}$ |
| | $p_T^\nu > 25 \text{ GeV}$ |
| | $ \eta^\ell < 2.5$ |
| W-Boson | $m_T > 40 \text{ GeV}$ |
| Photon | $E_T^\gamma > 20 \text{ GeV}$ |
| | $ \eta^\gamma < 2.37$ |
| | $\Delta R(\ell, \gamma) > 0.7$ |
| | $\Delta R(\gamma, \gamma) > 0.4$ |
| | iso. fraction $\epsilon_h^p < 0.5$ |
| Jets | $p_T^{\text{jet}} > 30 \text{ GeV}$ |
| | $ \eta^{\text{jet}} < 4.4$ |
| | $\Delta R(\ell, \text{jet}) > 0.3$ |
| | $\Delta R(\gamma, \text{jet}) > 0.3$ |
| Exclusive selection: $N_{\text{jet}} = 0$ | |

W $\gamma\gamma$

• Backgrounds

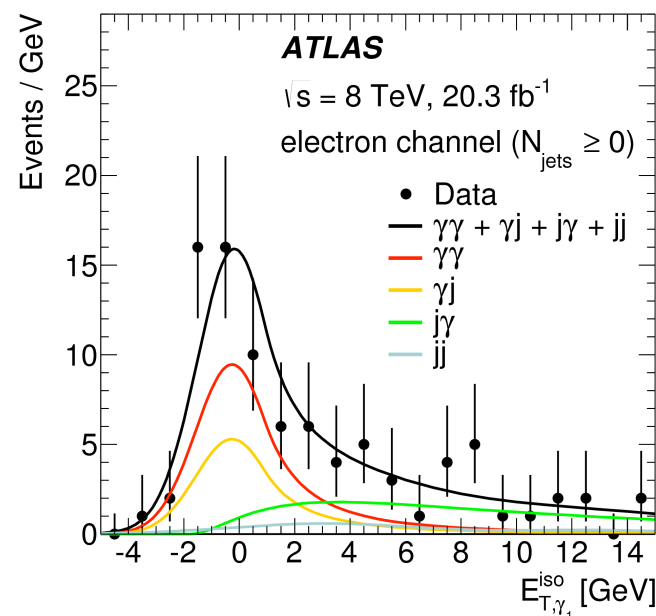
from MC

– $Z\gamma$, $Z\gamma\gamma$, WZ ,
 $W(\tau\nu)\gamma\gamma$

– $t\bar{t}$, WW

from Data

– Wj , $W\gamma j$, $\gamma\gamma j$



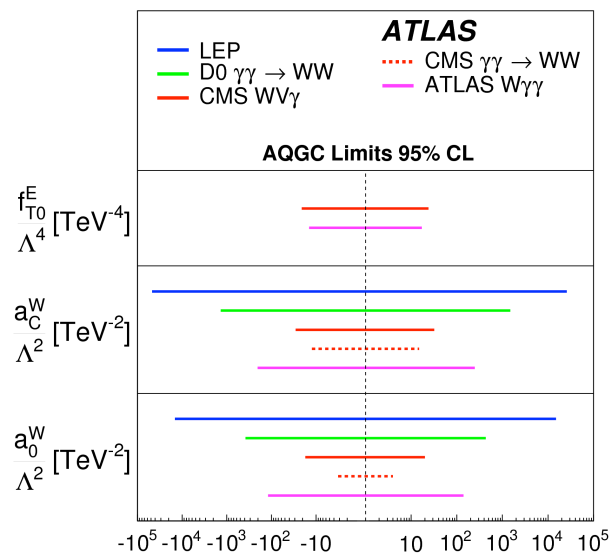
Fake photon estimated with two-dimensional template fit to transverse isolation distribution.
 Fake estimate dominant systematic $\sim 20\%$.

W $\gamma\gamma$

- Cross section**

| | σ^{fid} [fb] | σ^{MCFM} [fb] |
|---------------------------------------|---|-----------------------------|
| Inclusive ($N_{\text{jet}} \geq 0$) | | |
| $\mu\nu\gamma\gamma$ | $7.1^{+1.3}_{-1.2}$ (stat.) ± 1.5 (syst.) ± 0.2 (lumi.) | 2.90 ± 0.16 |
| $e\nu\gamma\gamma$ | $4.3^{+1.8}_{-1.6}$ (stat.) $+1.9$ (syst.) ± 0.2 (lumi.) | |
| $l\nu\gamma\gamma$ | $6.1^{+1.1}_{-1.0}$ (stat.) ± 1.2 (syst.) ± 0.2 (lumi.) | |
| Exclusive ($N_{\text{jet}} = 0$) | | |
| $\mu\nu\gamma\gamma$ | 3.5 ± 0.9 (stat.) $+1.1$ (syst.) ± 0.1 (lumi.) | 1.88 ± 0.20 |
| $e\nu\gamma\gamma$ | $1.9^{+1.4}_{-1.1}$ (stat.) $+1.1$ (syst.) ± 0.1 (lumi.) | |
| $l\nu\gamma\gamma$ | $2.9^{+0.8}_{-0.7}$ (stat.) $+1.0$ (syst.) ± 0.1 (lumi.) | |

- Anomalous couplings**



Limits provided for non-unitarised and unitarised with dipol-formfactor.

Summary

- **Run-1** allowed to explore di-boson production processes.
 - Most di-boson measurements systematically limited.
 - Rich legacy of 8TeV cross sections and unfolded distributions.
 - Tri-boson and VBS processes accessible.
- Awaiting combinations and Run-2 analysis.