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# $W$ and $Z/\gamma^*$ inclusive and differential cross sections in ATLAS

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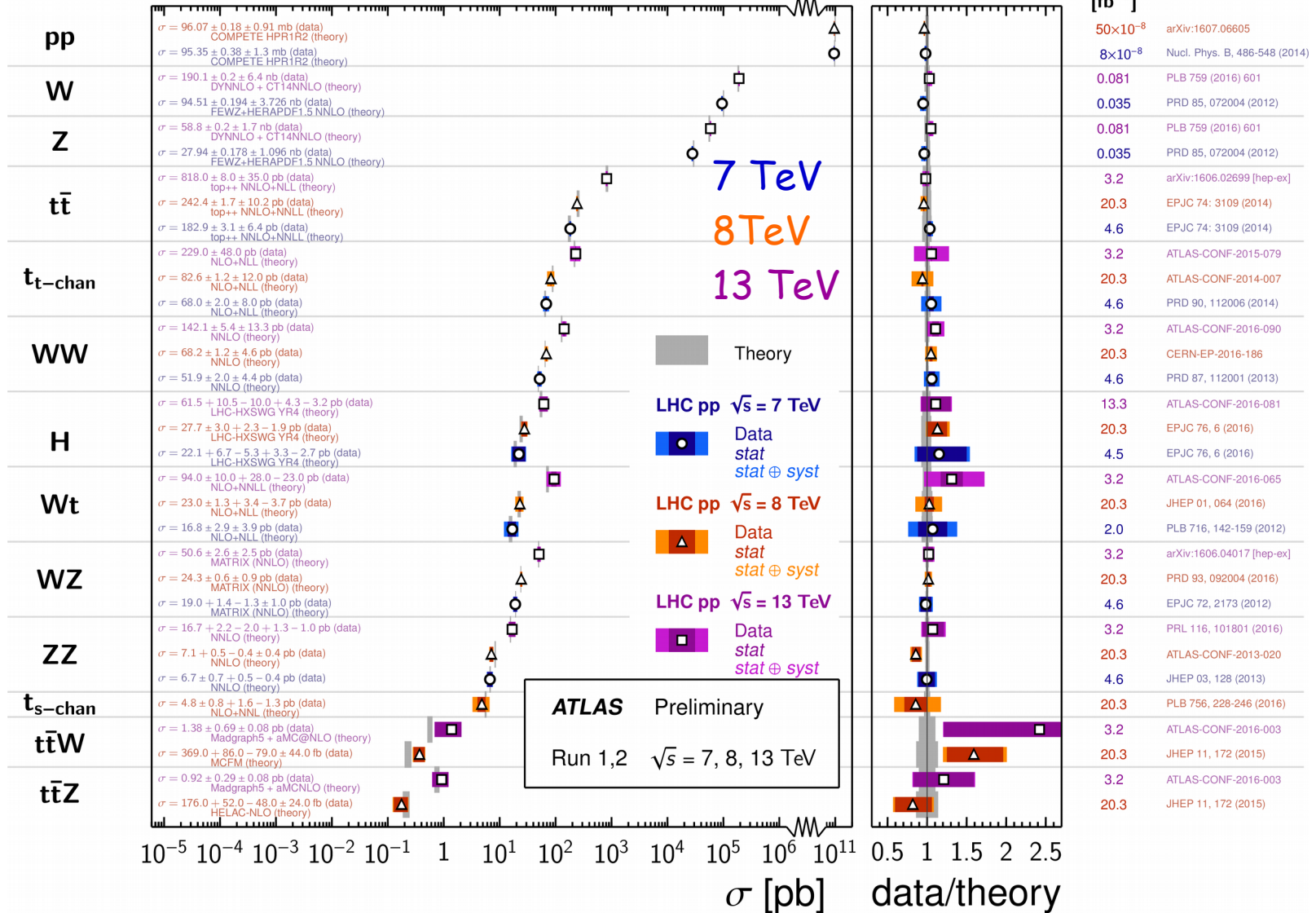
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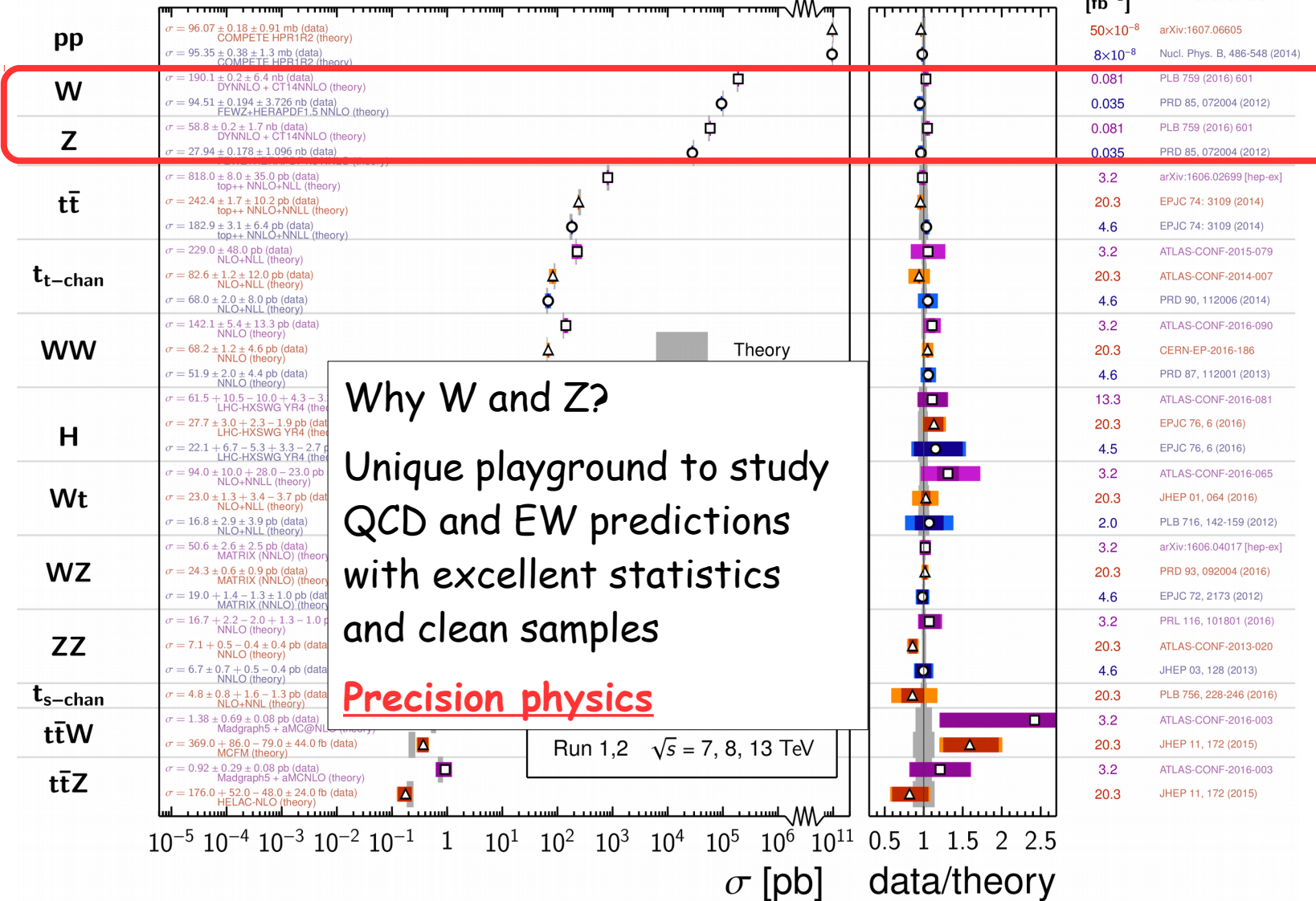
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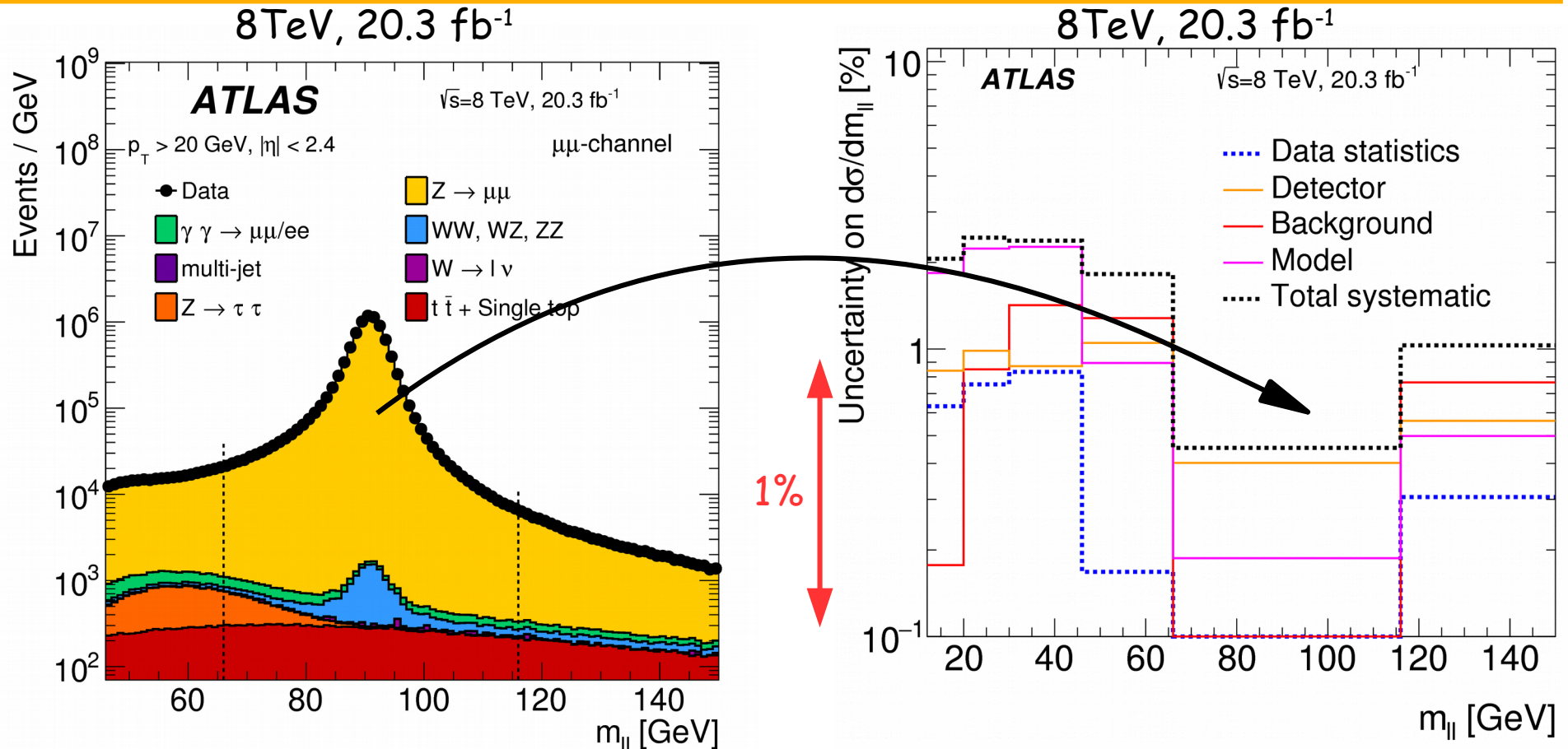
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# Precision with W & Z



- $O(10M)$  di-lepton pairs at Z peak --> huge statistics.
- Most systematic sources are constrained by the data --> syst ~ stat.
- Total uncertainties at permille level.
- Test QCD and EW corrections at sub-percent level and constrain PDFs.



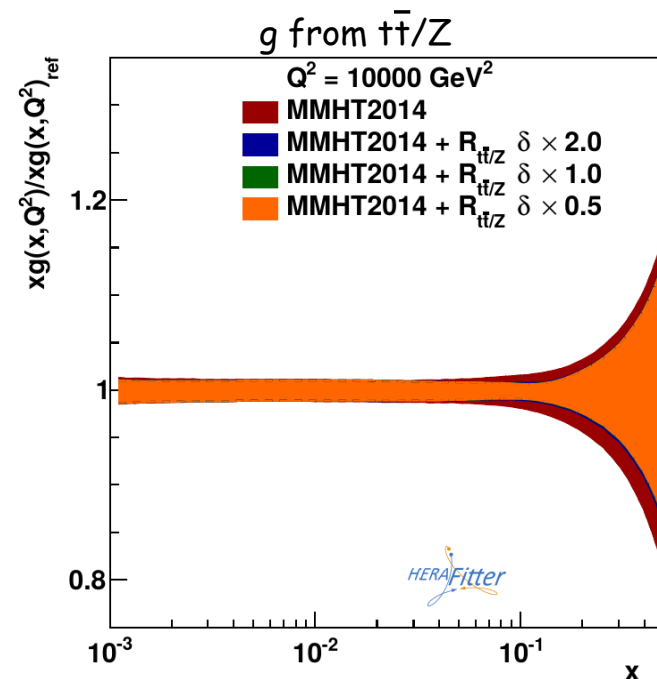
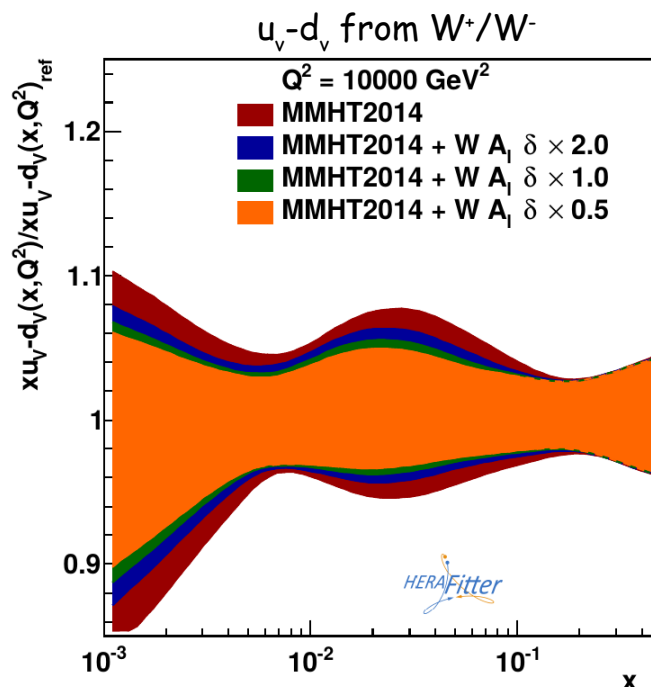
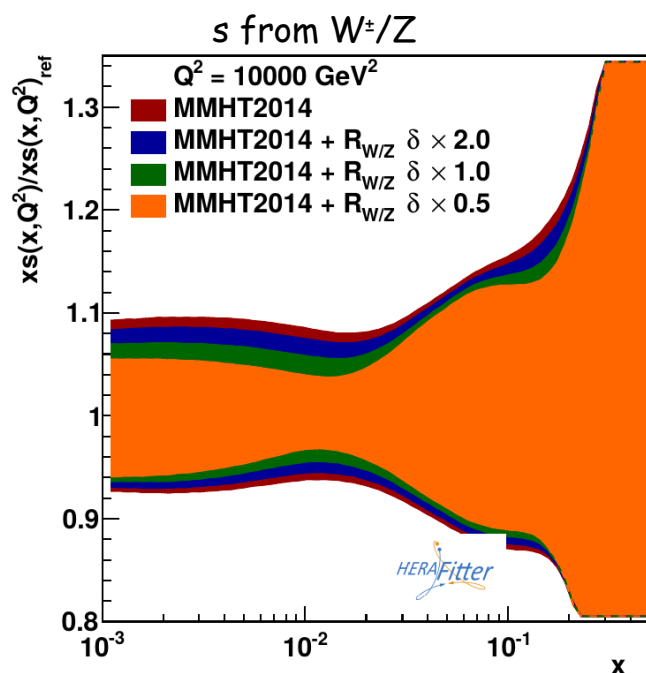
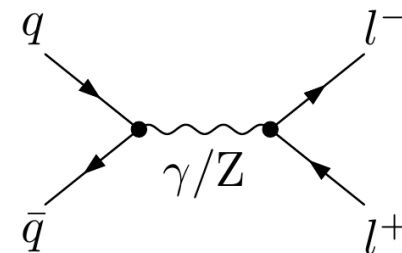
# Outline

- Integrated fiducial W and Z cross sections and ratios @ 13 TeV (PLB 759 (2016) 601)
- High-mass differential Drell-Yan cross sections @ 8 TeV (arXiv:1606.0173, subm. to JHEP)
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# W, Z @ 13 TeV: motivation

- Rediscover standard candles in the new kinematic regime!
- Measure cross-section ratios: fully cancel lumi uncertainties and partially systematics.
- W/Z: 2% exp. precision adds constraint on **strange PDF**
- $W^+/W^-$ : 2% constrains  **$u_v-d_v$  PDF**.
- $t\bar{t}/Z$ : 2-4% adds constraint on the **high-x gluon PDF**.



J. Rojo et al., [J.Phys.G 42 \(2015\) 103103](#)

# Analysis overview

$W^\pm$ :

- $p_T^l > 25 \text{ GeV}$
- $|\eta| < 2.5$
- $p_T^\nu > 25 \text{ GeV}$
- $m_T > 50 \text{ GeV}$

$Z$ :

- $p_T^l > 25 \text{ GeV}$
- $|\eta| < 2.5$
- $66 < M < 116 \text{ GeV}$

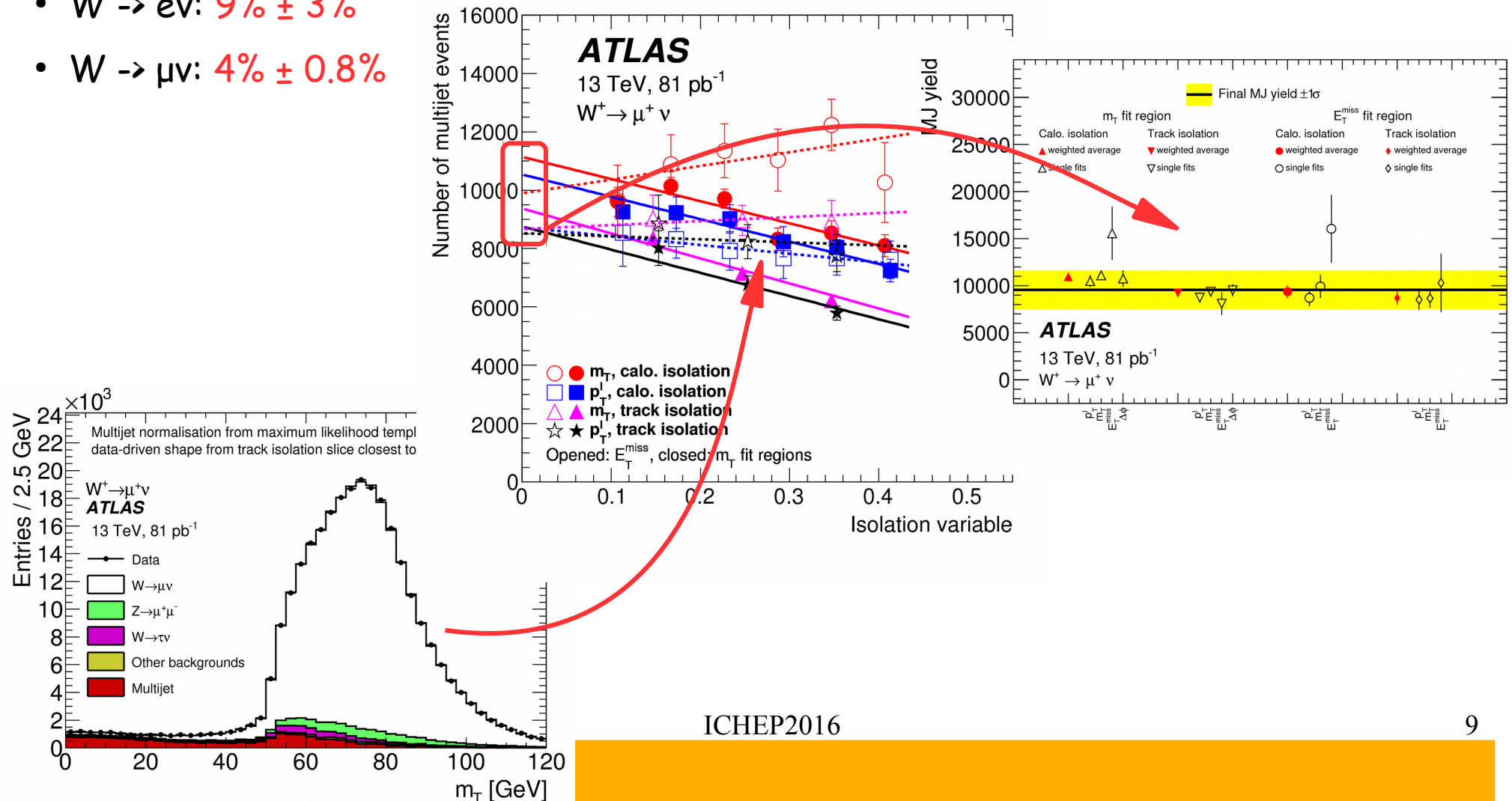
$$\sigma_{W,Z}^{fid} \times BR(W, Z \rightarrow l\nu, ll) = \sigma_{W,Z}^{tot} \times BR(W, Z \rightarrow l\nu, ll) \cdot A_{W,Z} = \frac{N - B}{C_{W,Z} \mathcal{L}_{W,Z}}$$

- **N**: di-lepton signal candidates  $W^\pm \sim O(1M)$ ,  $Z \sim O(100k)$
- **B**: estimated background candidates: EW+top from MC and data-driven multijet
- $C_{W,Z}$ : corrections factor (1-bin unfolding)
- **L**: luminosity,  $81 \text{ pb}^{-1} \pm 2.1\%$
- Combine ee and  $\mu\mu$  cross sections using HERAverager ( $\chi^2$  minimisation treating correlated systematics as nuisance parameters)



# Multijet background

- Key: isolated leptons from W and non-isolated from QCD.
- Template fit in either of  $m_T$ ,  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$ ,  $p_T^l$ ,  $\Delta\phi$  removing either  $m_T$  or  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$  cut for slices of calo- or track-based isolation. Extrapolated to the signal-like isolation topology.
- $W \rightarrow e\nu$ :  $9\% \pm 3\%$
- $W \rightarrow \mu\nu$ :  $4\% \pm 0.8\%$



# Measurement precision

- Already systematics-limited!
- Dominating uncertainties:
- Z: lepton reconstruction;
- W: multijet and JES+JER

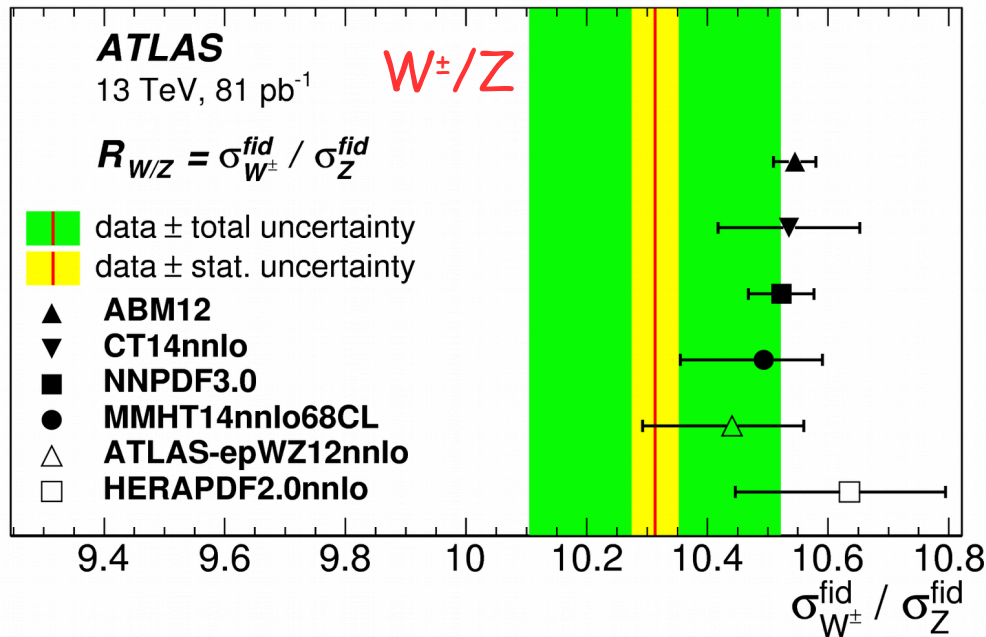
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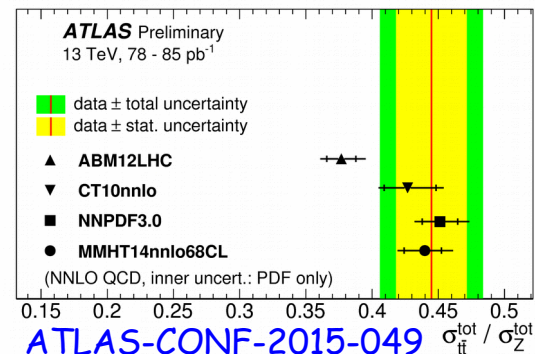
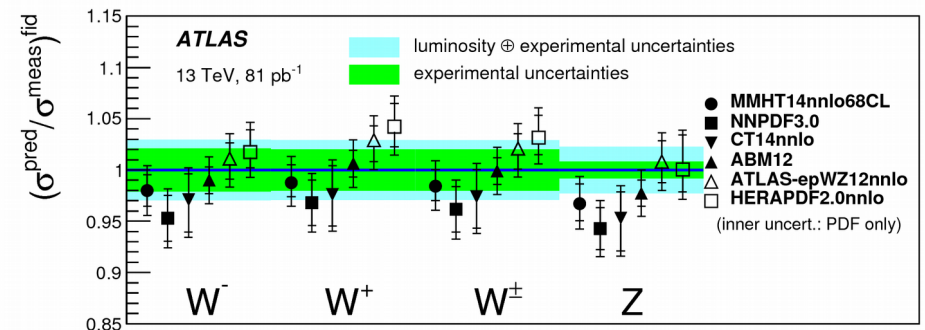
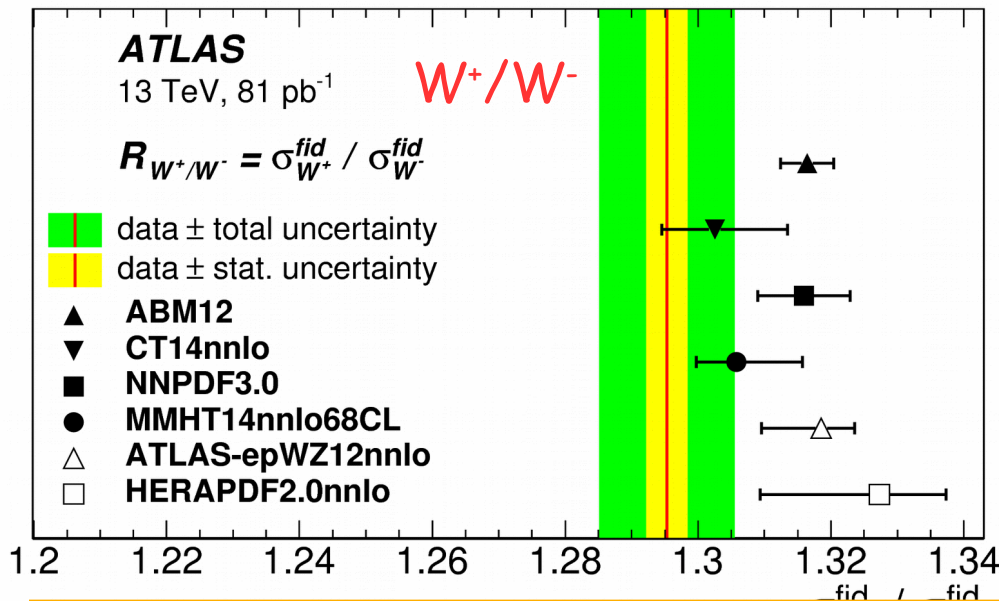
$\delta C/C$ [%]	$Z \rightarrow e^+e^-$	$W^+ \rightarrow e^+\nu$	$W^- \rightarrow e^-\bar{\nu}$	$Z \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$	$W^+ \rightarrow \mu^+\nu$	$W^- \rightarrow \mu^-\bar{\nu}$
Lepton trigger	0.1	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.6	0.6
Lepton reconstruction, identification	0.9	0.5	0.6	0.9	0.4	0.4
Lepton isolation	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.5	0.3	0.3
Lepton scale and resolution	0.2	0.4	0.4	0.1	0.1	0.1
Charge identification	0.1	0.1	0.1	–	–	–
JES and JER	–	1.7	1.7	–	1.6	1.7
$E_T^{\text{miss}}$	–	0.1	0.1	–	0.1	0.1
Pile-up modelling	< 0.1	0.4	0.3	< 0.1	0.2	0.2
PDF	0.1	0.1	0.1	< 0.1	0.1	0.1
Total	1.0	1.9	1.9	1.1	1.8	1.8
MJ	–	~3	~3	–	~1	~1
Statistical	0.5	~0.25	~0.25	0.5	~0.25	~0.25

# Results

PLB 759 (2016) 601



- Cross sections will constrain PDFs!
- $W/Z$ : Enhanced strangeness observed in 7 TeV ATLAS data (ATLAS-epWZ12nnlo) is confirmed with the 13 TeV data.
- $W^+/W^-$ :  $u_v-d_v$  PDF.
- $t\bar{t}/Z$ : statistics limited. Need more data!

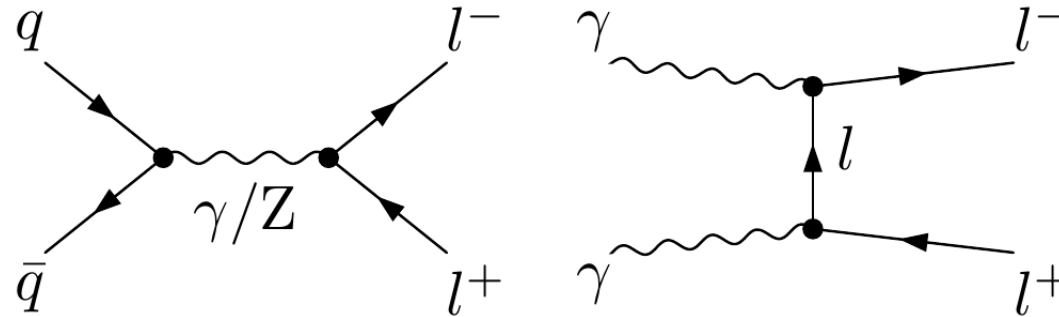


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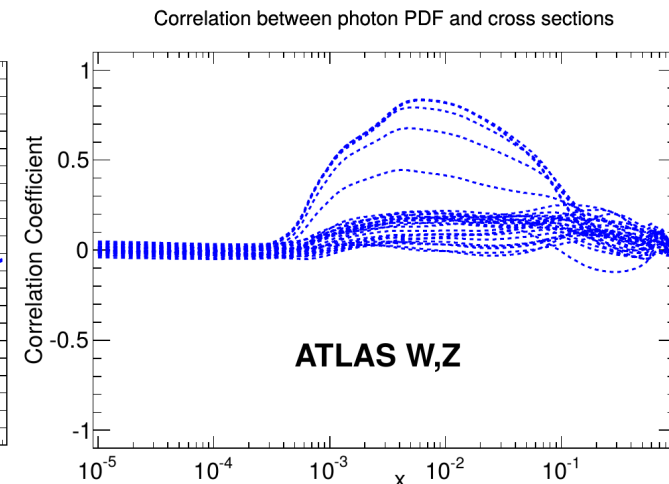
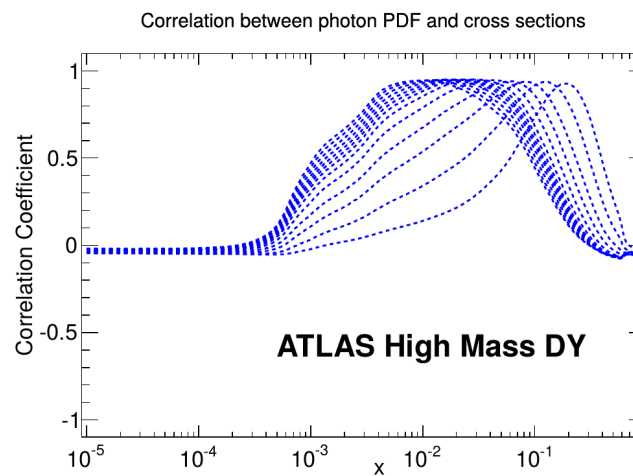
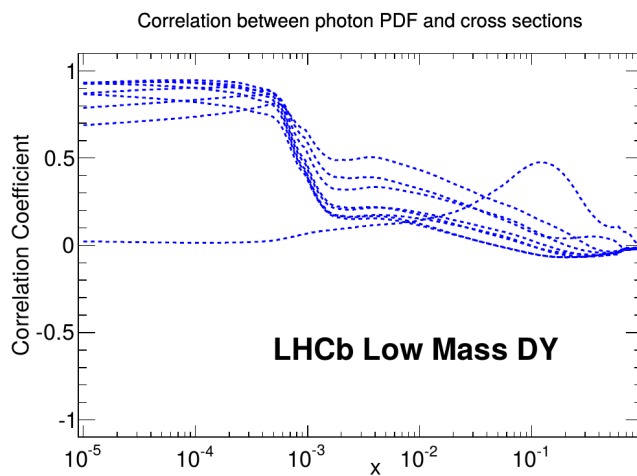
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# High-mass DY: motivation



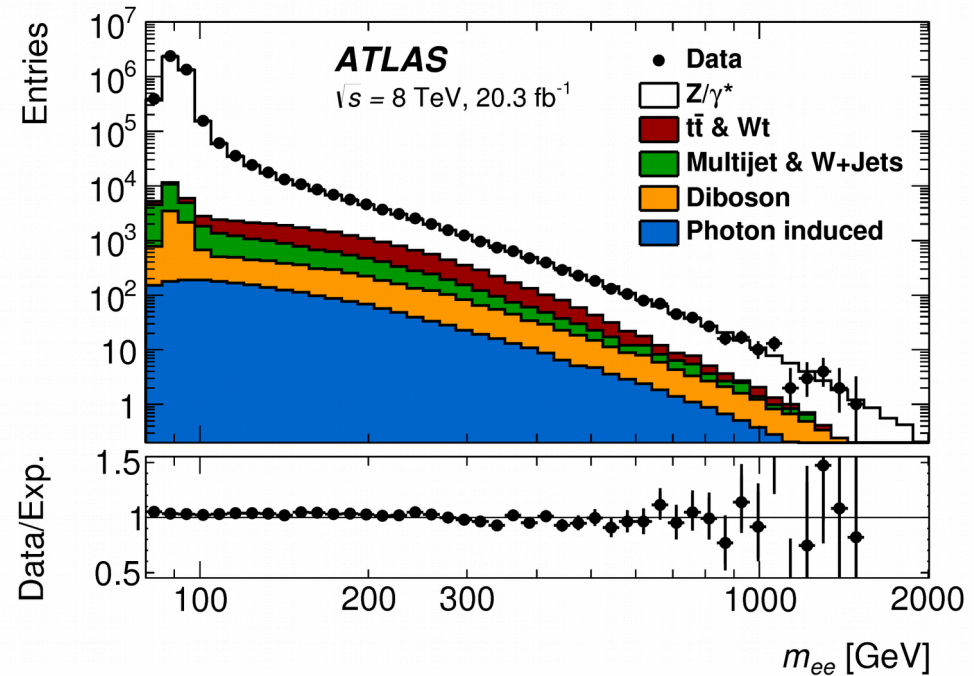
- Sensitivity to EW and QCD corrections.
- Constraints on PDFs (in particular on  $\gamma$ ): earlier 7 TeV data were used in NNPDF2.3\_qed (NPB 877 (2013) 290).



R. Ball et al., [NPB 877 \(2013\) 290](#)

# Analysis overview

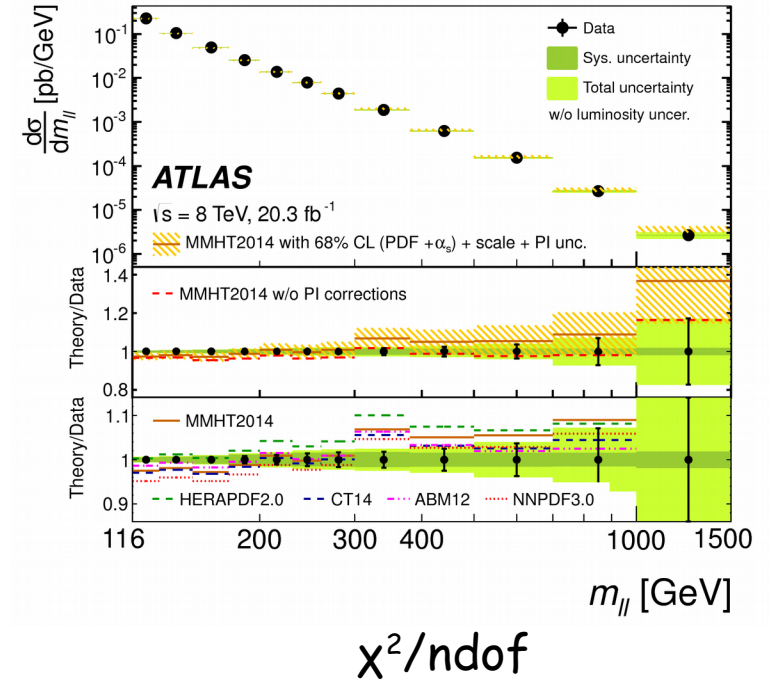
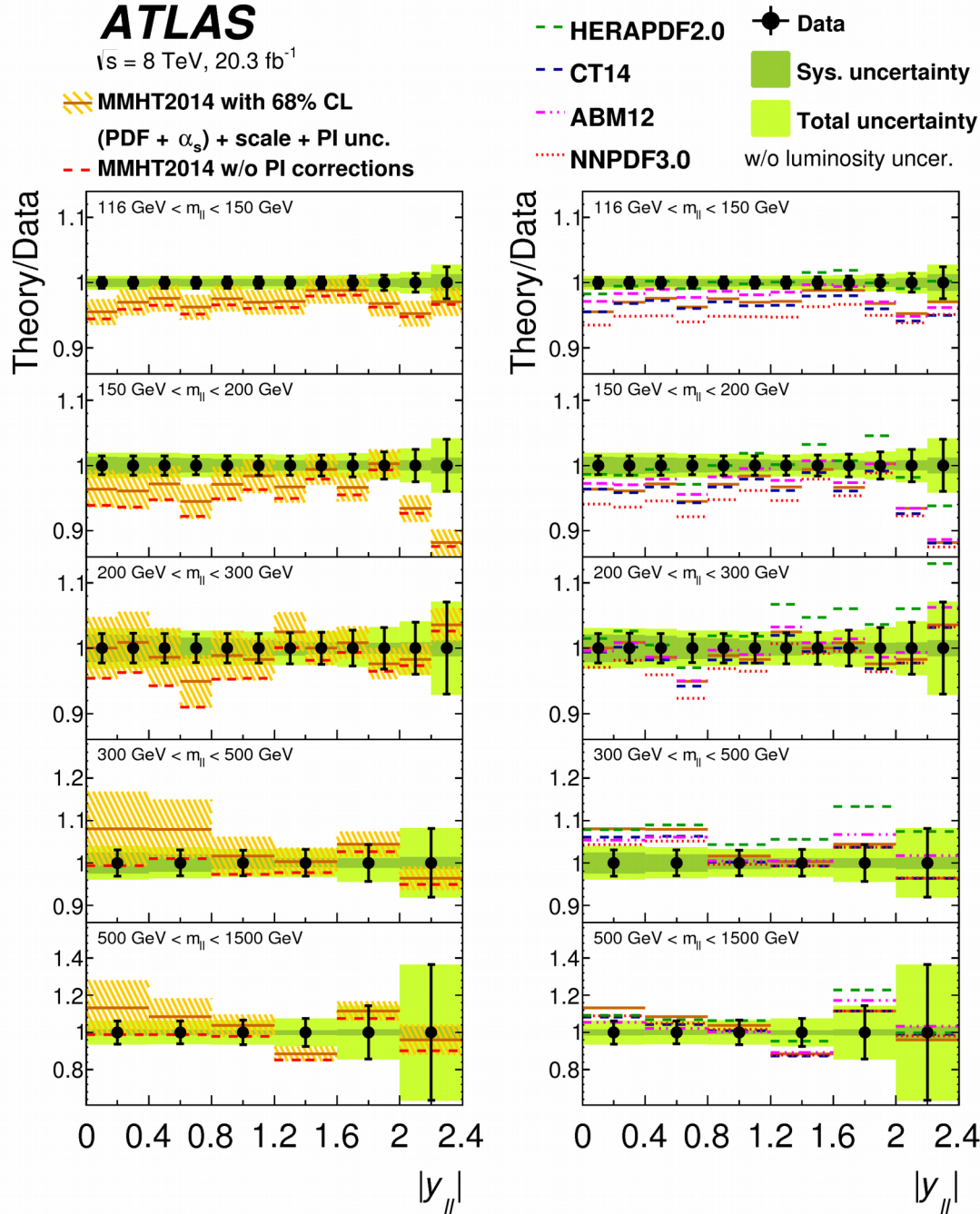
- $p_T^l > 40(30) \text{ GeV}$
- $|\eta^l| < 2.5$
- $116 < M < 1500 \text{ GeV}$



- Full 2012 sample:  $20.3 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ . --> Double-differential cross sections:  $d\sigma/dM$ ,  $d^2\sigma/dM/d|\gamma_{||}|$ ,  $d^2\sigma/dM/d|\Delta\eta_{||}|$
- Backgrounds: EW+top from MC and multijet data-driven.
- Bin-by-bin unfolding.
- Combine ee and  $\mu\mu$  cross sections using HERAverager.

# Comparison to predictions

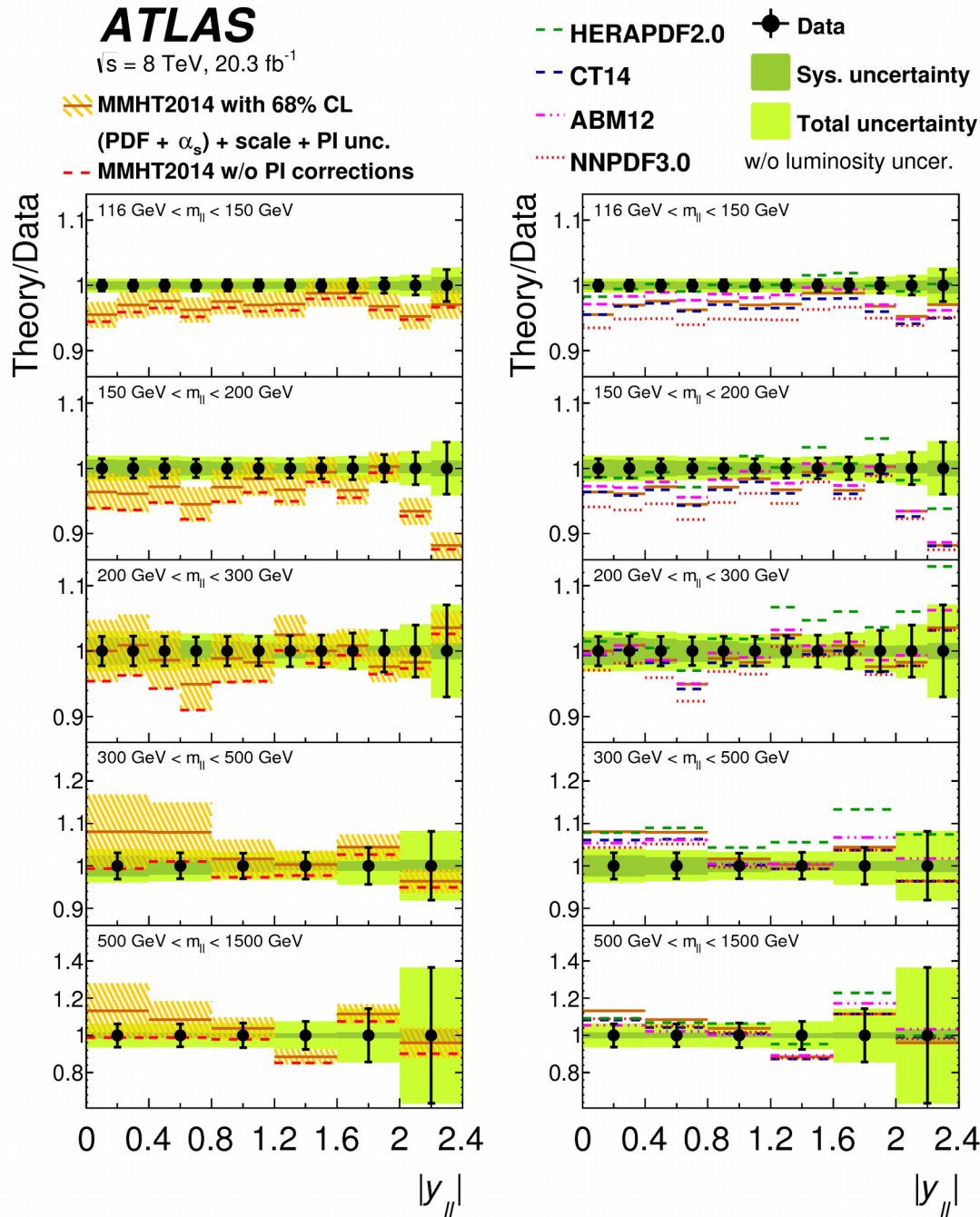
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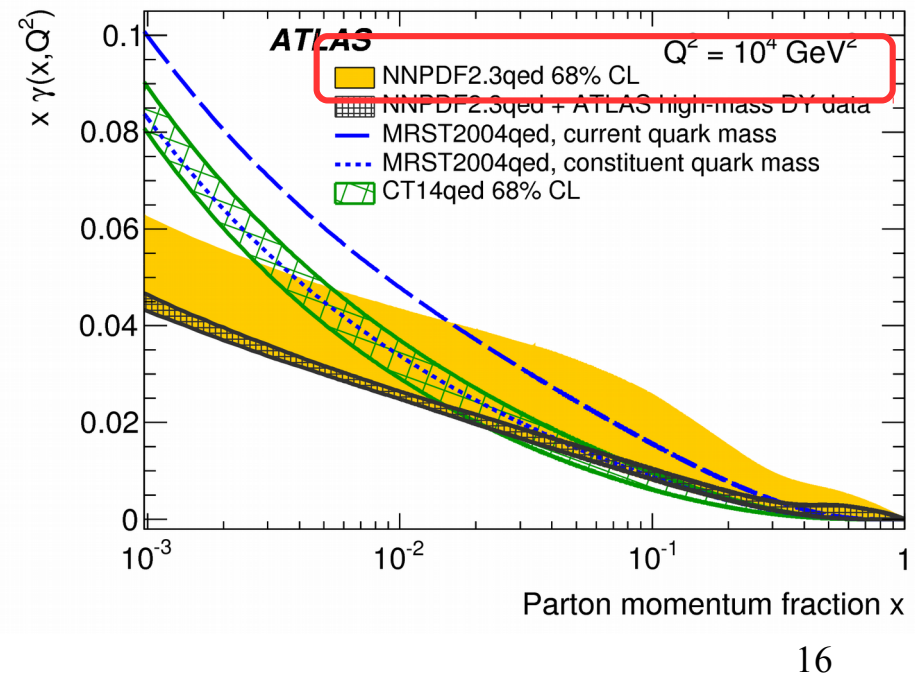
	$m_{\ell\ell}$	$ y_{\ell\ell} $	$ \Delta\eta_{\ell\ell} $
MMHT2014	18.2/12	59.3/48	62.8/47
CT14	16.0/12	51.0/48	61.3/47
NNPDF3.0	20.0/12	57.6/48	62.1/47
HERAPDF2.0	15.1/12	55.5/48	60.8/47
ABM12	14.1/12	57.9/48	53.5/47

# Photon PDF in proton

arXiv:1606.0173



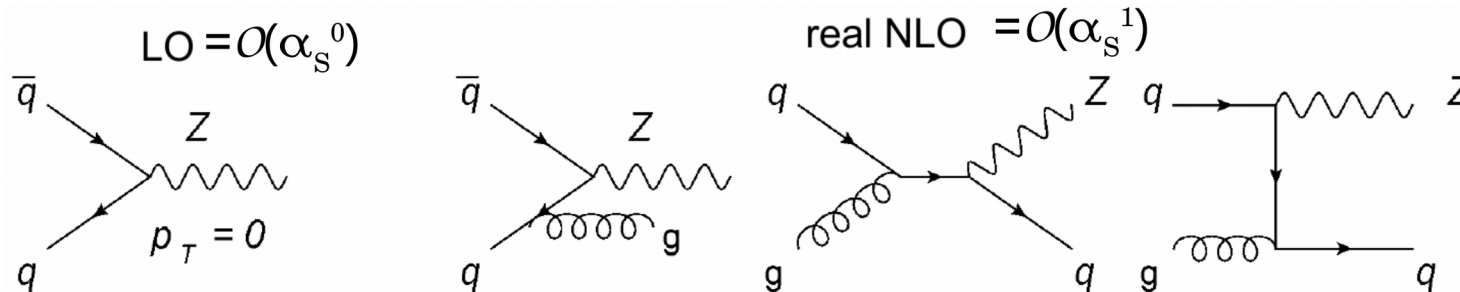
- Bayesian reweighting of  $q\bar{q}$  and  $\gamma\gamma$  predictions based on NNPDF2.3qed to illustrate constraining power of the data.
- Significant sensitivity to the photon PDF.





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# Z p<sub>T</sub>: motivation



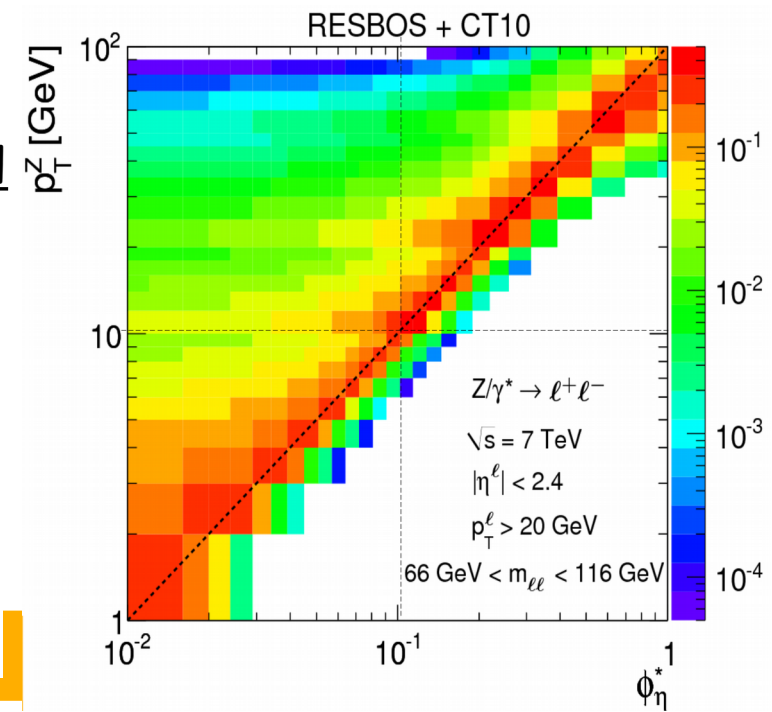
- Measure p<sub>T</sub> and φ<sub>η</sub><sup>\*</sup> distributions in Z-boson production:
  - **Low p<sub>T</sub>** (multiple soft-gluon emissions): resummation up to NNLL (RESBOS), parton shower (PS) techniques, ME+PS with ME O(α<sub>s</sub>).
  - **High p<sub>T</sub>** (hard-gluon emission): fixed-order calculations up to O(α<sub>s</sub><sup>2</sup>) (DNNLO) and beyond...
- At low p<sub>T</sub> measurements are limited by experimental resolution and uncertainties on momentum scale -->  
 Use φ<sub>η</sub><sup>\*</sup>, which depends on angular lepton measurements

$$\phi_{\eta}^* = \tan(\phi_{acop}/2) \times \sin(\theta_{\eta}^*)$$

$$\phi_{acop} = \pi - \Delta\phi(\ell, \ell)$$

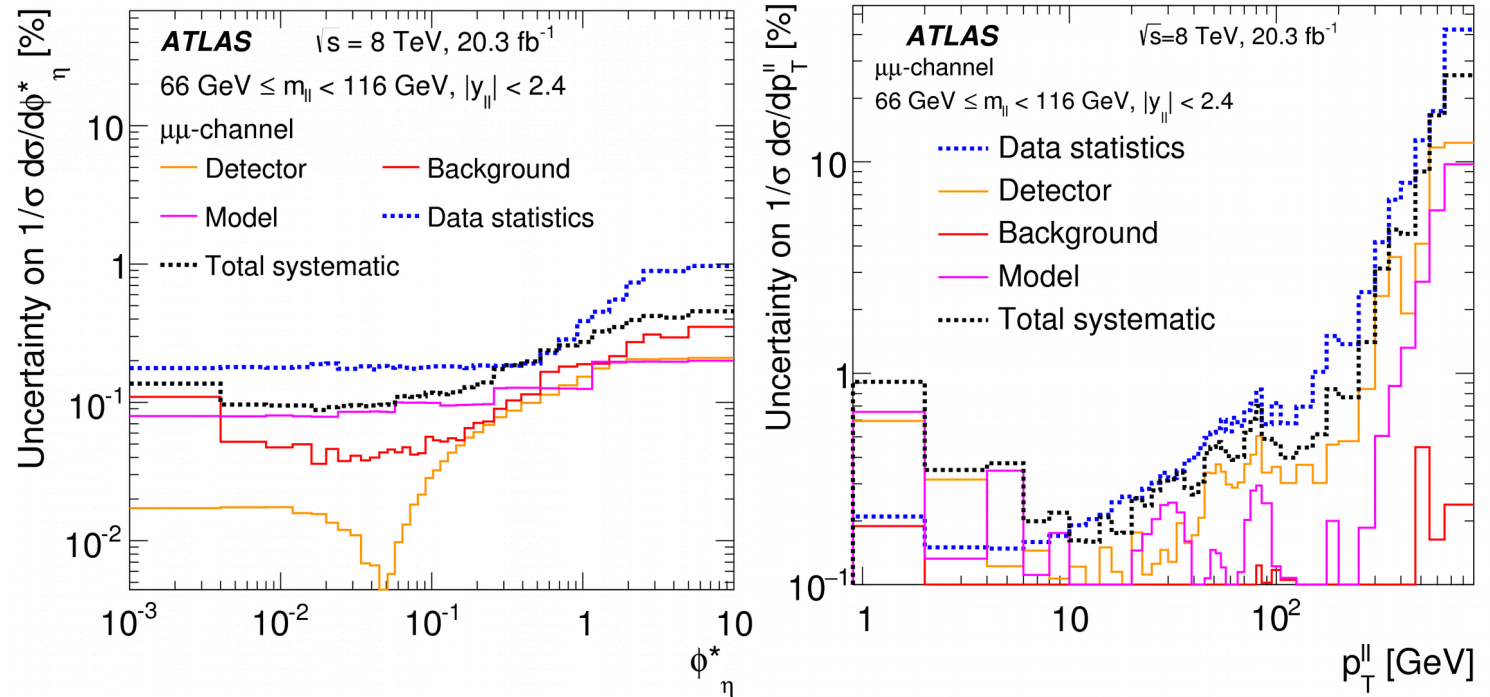
$$\cos(\theta_{\eta}^*) = \tanh[(\eta^- - \eta^+)/2]$$

$$\Phi^* \sim p_T/M_{ll}$$



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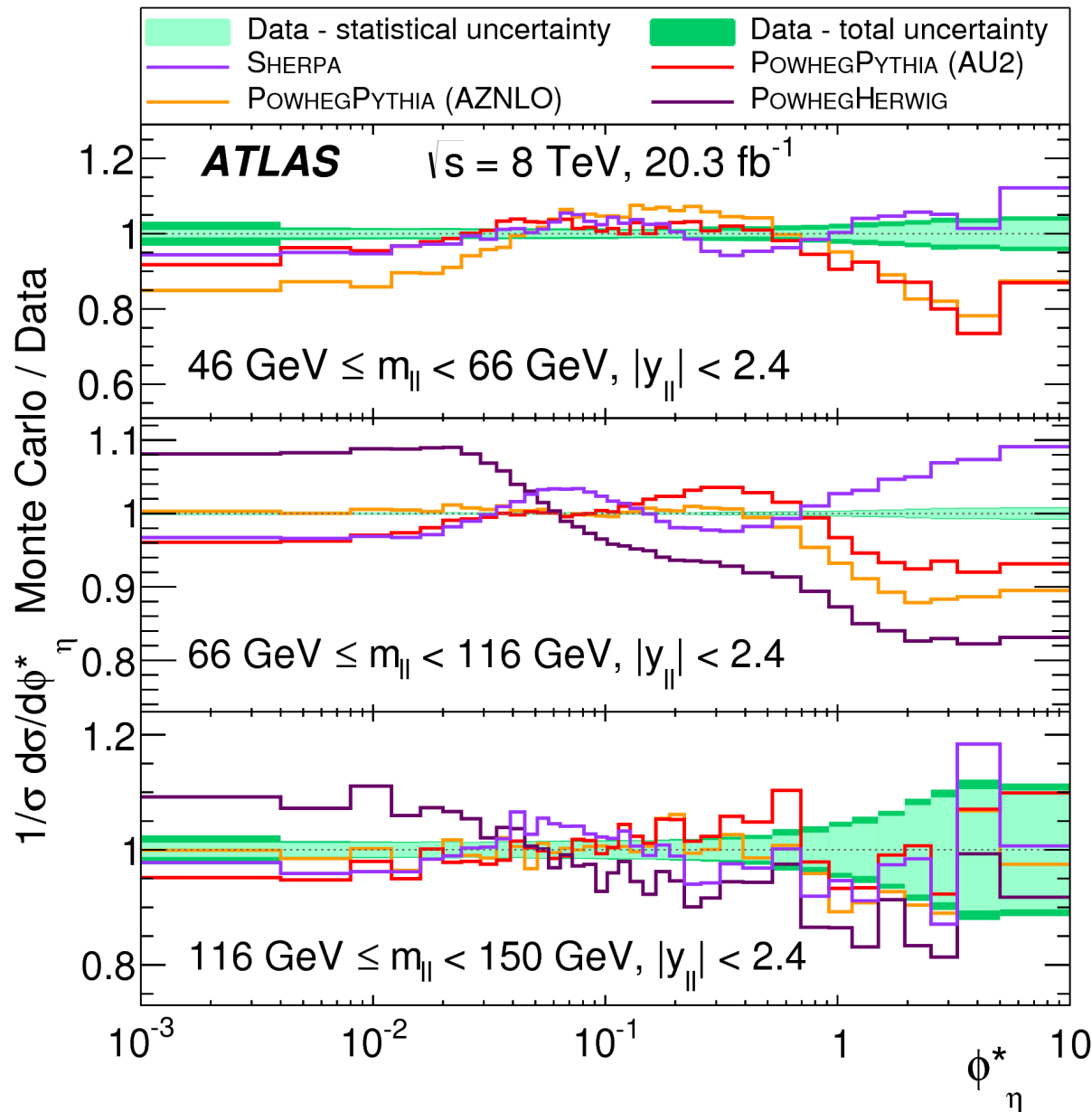
- $p_T^l > 20 \text{ GeV}$
- $|\eta^l| < 2.4$
- $|y_{ll}| < 2.4$
- $12 < M < 150 \text{ GeV}$



- Measure normalised cross sections (but also absolute as a function of  $p_T$  and integrated fiducial as a function of  $M$  in  $M$  and  $y_{ll}$  slices).
- $\phi_\eta^*$ : concentrate on the low- $p_T$  and medium- $p_T$  regions.
- $p_T$ : concentrate on the high- $p_T$  region.
- Combine  $ee$  and  $\mu\mu$  cross sections using HERAverager.

# Comparison to MC

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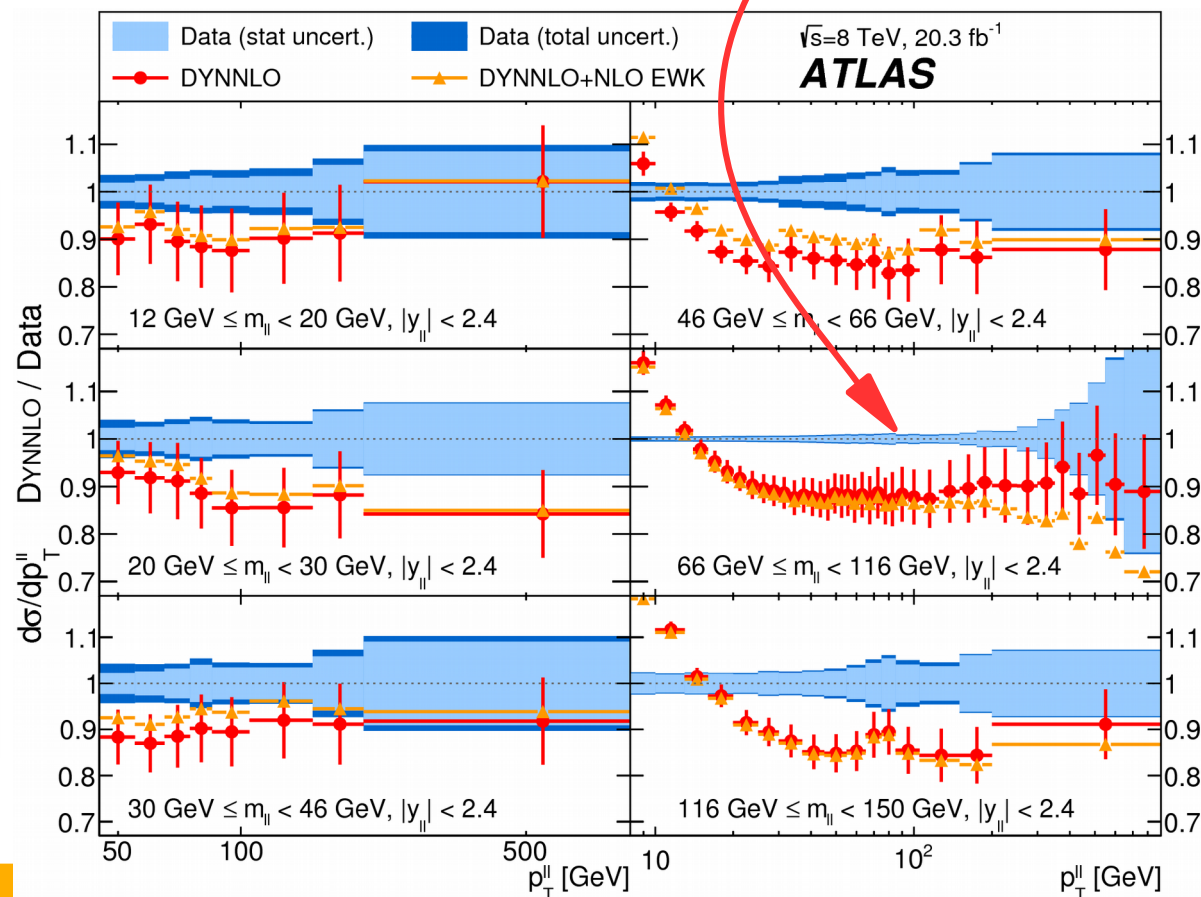
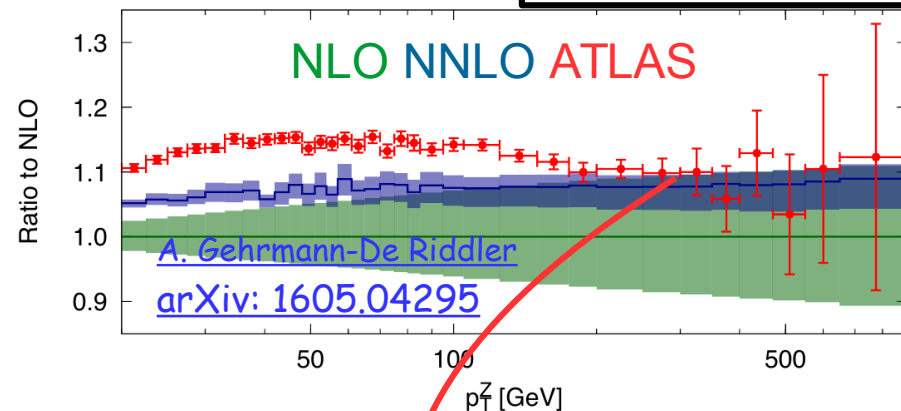
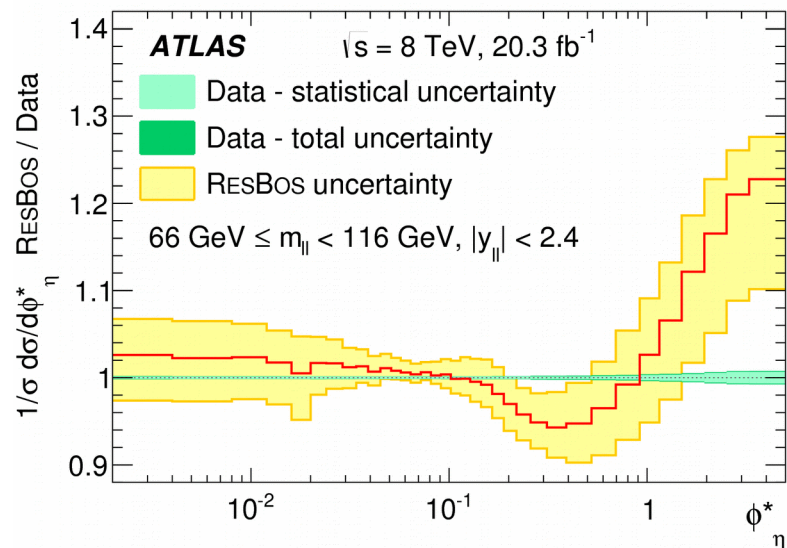
- The **data** have large constraining potential!
- **Powheg+Pythia AZNLO** was tuned to earlier 7 TeV Z  $p_T$  data (JHEP 09 (2014) 145). Good description in the phase space of the tune ( $66 < M < 116 \text{ GeV}$  and  $p_T < 100 \text{ GeV}$ ), but fails at low masses.
- High mass is reasonably described by all but **Powheg+Herwig**.



# Comparison to theory

EPJC 76 (2016) 291

- High- $p_T$  region is sensitive to higher-order QCD (and EW) corrections.
- Recent  $O(\alpha_s^3)$  corrections bring predictions closer to the data.
- The measurement has potential to be used for  $\alpha_s$  extraction.



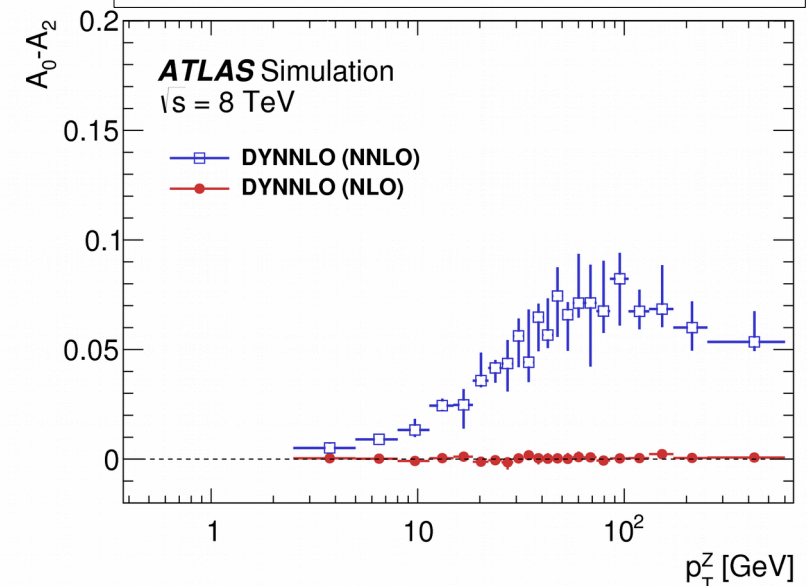
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# Angular coefficients

- Measure **angular distributions** of leptons from Z decays --> Access **production dynamics** and **polarisation**.
- Decomposition of cross section in QCD hold to all orders. Higher-order effects absorbed in **A<sub>i</sub>** coefficients.
- Goal: Measure all eight **A<sub>i</sub>**(**p<sub>T</sub><sup>Z</sup>**).
- Implications:
  - Stringent test of pQCD calculations and MC.
  - Sensitivity to EW parameters (in particular  $\sin\theta_W$ )

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dp_T^Z dy^Z dm^Z d\cos\theta d\phi} = \frac{3}{16\pi} \frac{d\sigma^{U+L}}{dp_T^Z dy^Z dm^Z} \left\{ (1 + \cos^2\theta) + \frac{1}{2} A_0 (1 - 3\cos^2\theta) + A_1 \sin 2\theta \cos\phi + \frac{1}{2} A_2 \sin^2\theta \cos 2\phi + A_3 \sin\theta \cos\phi + A_4 \cos\theta + A_5 \sin^2\theta \sin 2\phi + A_6 \sin 2\theta \sin\phi + A_7 \sin\theta \sin\phi \right\}$$

- Lam-Tung relation:  $A_0 = A_2 @ O(\alpha_s)$ .
- $A_{FB} \sim 3/8 * A_4$
- $A_3$  and  $A_4$  are sensitive to  $\sin\theta_W$ .
- $A_5, A_6, A_7$  are very small



# Analysis overview

- Use  $ee$  (central-central (CC) and central-forward (CF) topologies) and  $\mu\mu$  (CC).
- Log-likelihood template fit to the data in  $\cos\theta_{CS}$   $\phi_{CS}$  in  $p_T$  bins:

$$\mathcal{L}(A_{ij}, \mu_j | N) = \prod_{events} \left\{ \sum_{j=1}^{23} \mu_j \left[ T_{8,j} + \sum_{i=0}^7 A_{ij} \times T_{ij} \right] + \sum_{Bkg} T_B + T_{Fakes} \right\}$$

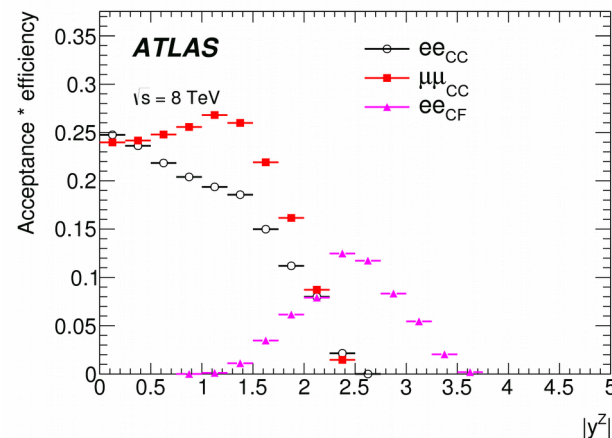
Sum over  $p_T$  bins

Floating normalisation to the data in each bin

Signal folded templates corresponding to the original polynomials

Fakes

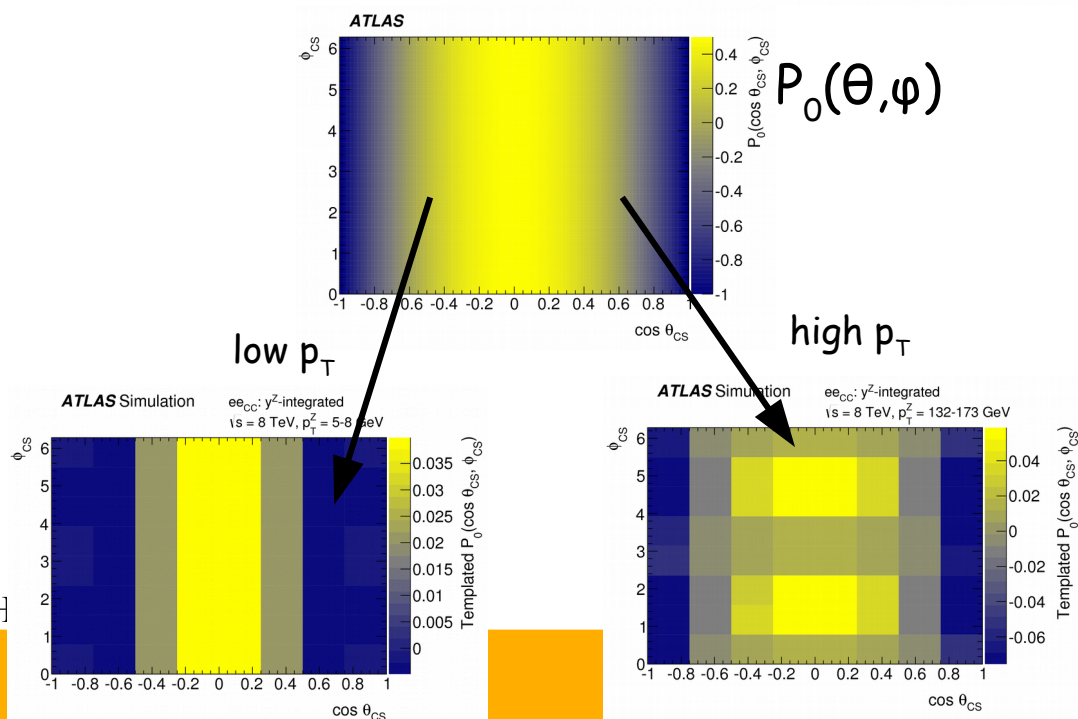
Backgrounds



- Original decomposition is valid in the full phase space --> additional folding to fiducial effects and detector effects
- Folded templates are extracted from MC un-weighted to flat distributions, removing any direct dependence on the physics modelling in the generator.

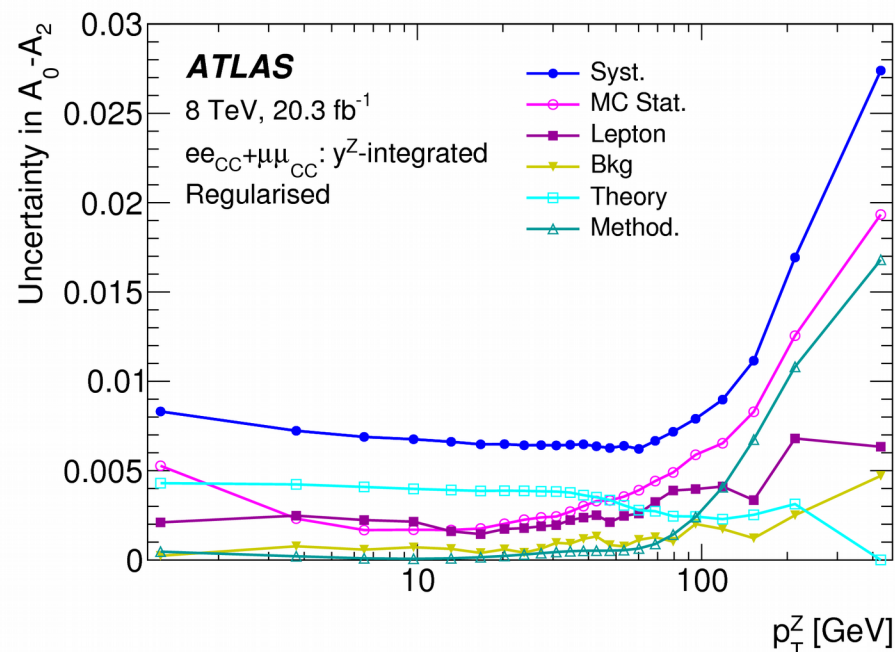
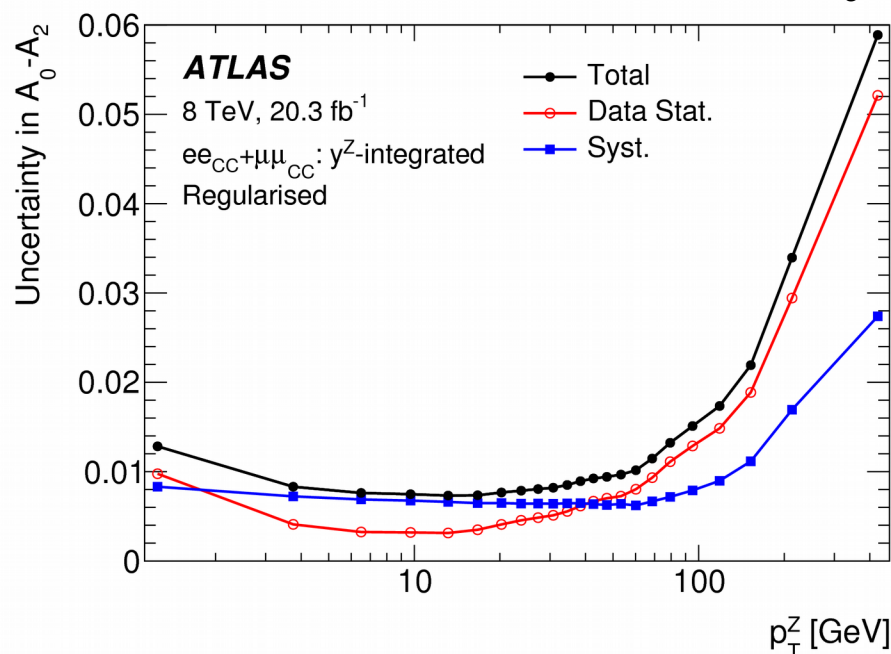
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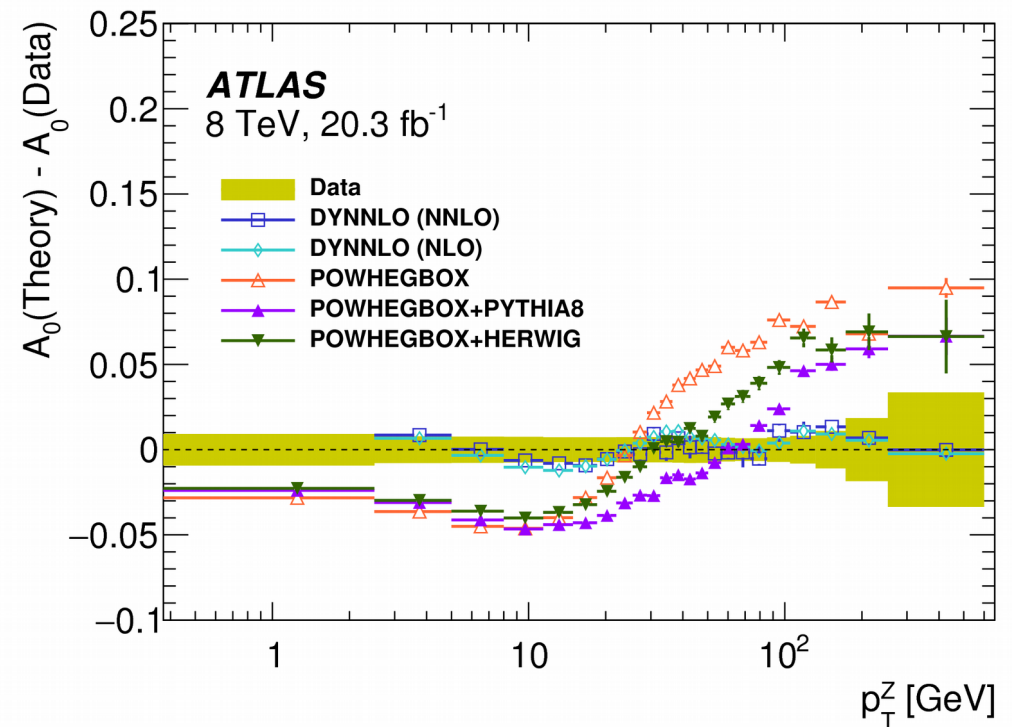
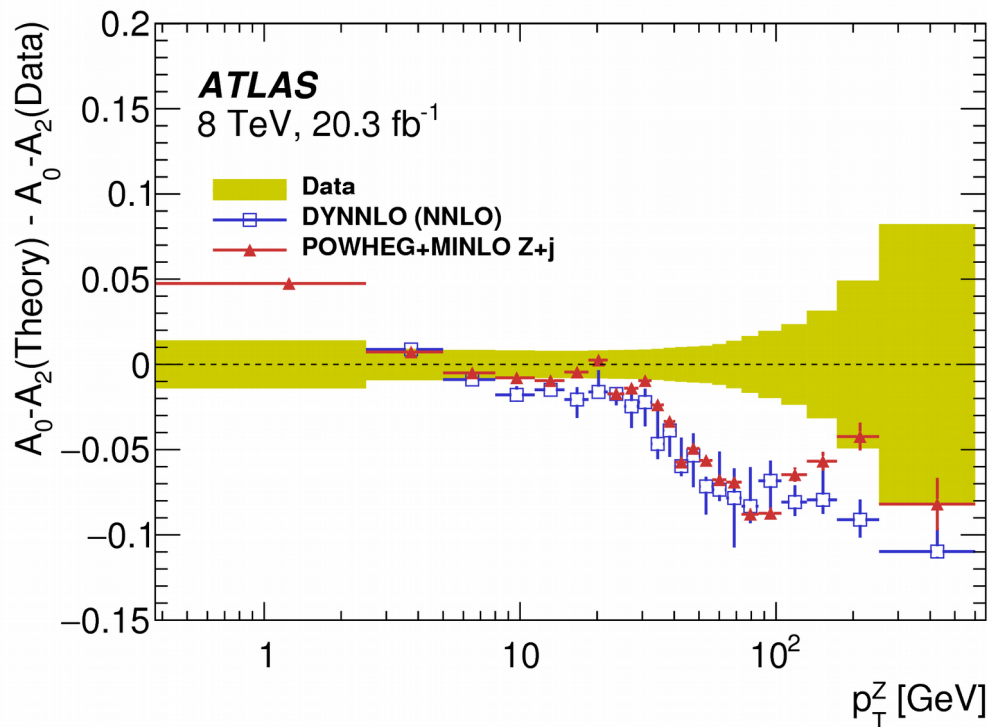
# Measurement precision

- Use regularisation criterion to smoothen measured coefficients --> significant statistical correlations between bins.
- Experimental systematics: MC stats, lepton efficiency, scale and resolution, background normalisation, methodology.
- Theoretical systematics: PDFs, QCD scale, parton shower.
- Systematic uncertainties are typically small.
- The first observation of non-zero  $A_5, A_6, A_7$  @  $3\sigma$ .



# Comparison to theory&MC

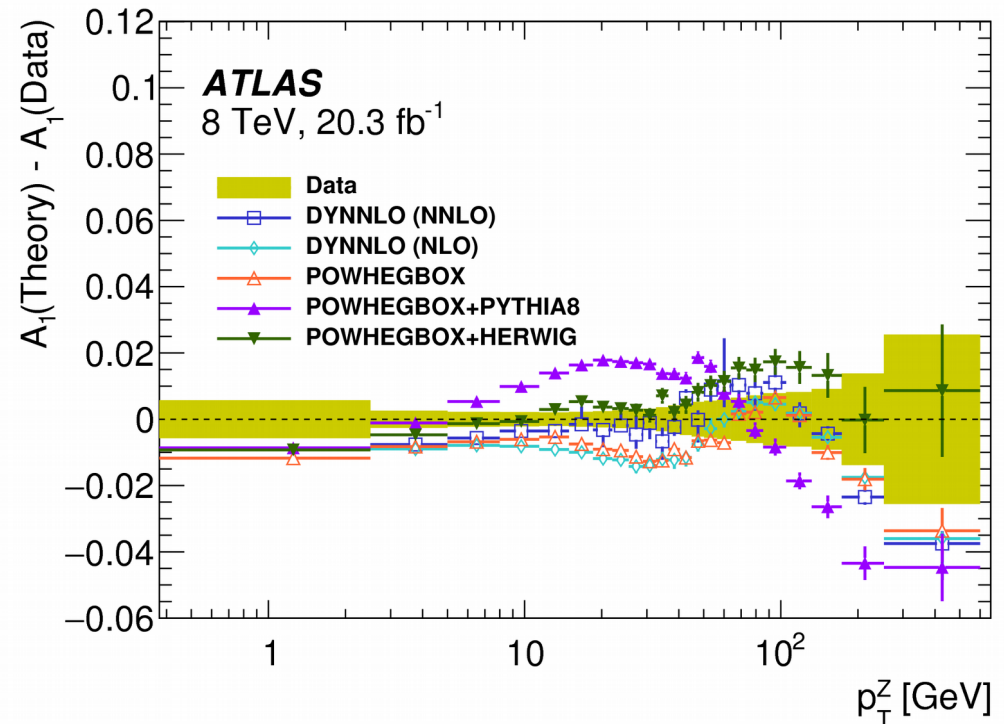
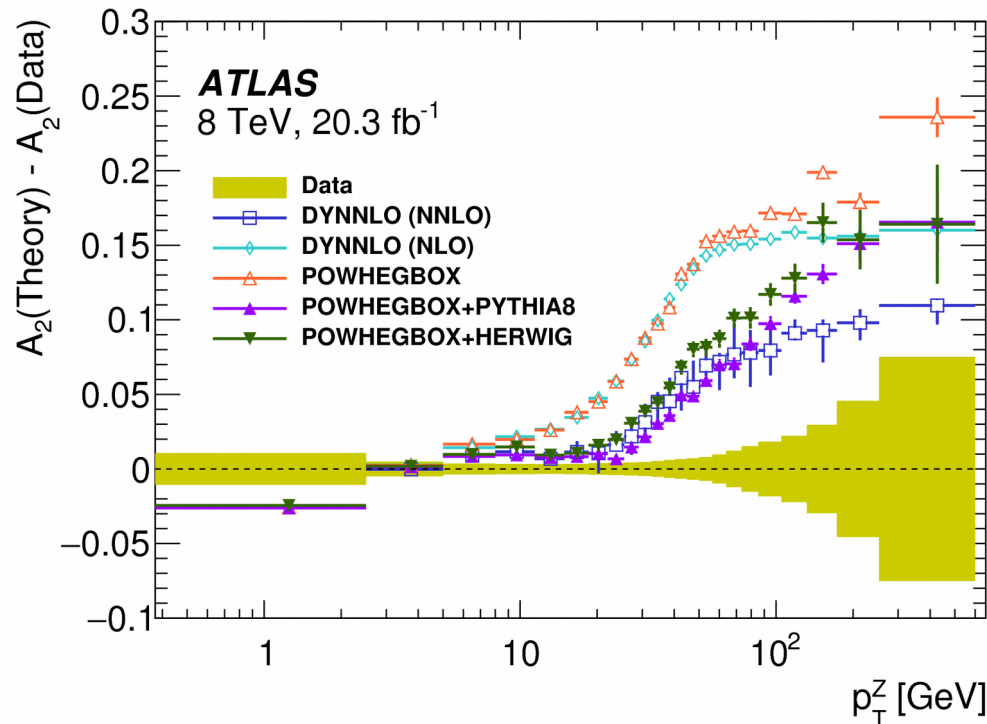
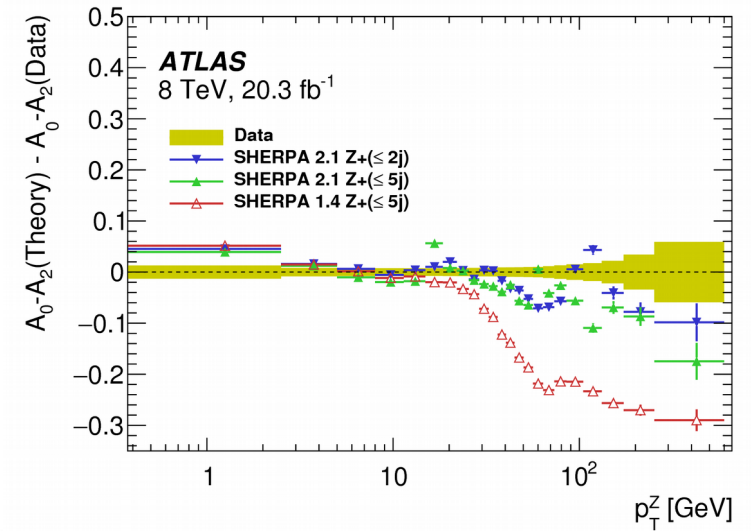
- $O(\alpha_s^2)$  predictions fail to describe the  $A_0$ - $A_2$  difference. Interesting to see effect of  $O(\alpha_s^3)$  corrections from arXiv:1605.04295!
- PowhegBox (v1/r2129) fails to describe  $A_0$  (related to the implementation of Sudakov form factor). Fixed in PowhegBox v2.1.





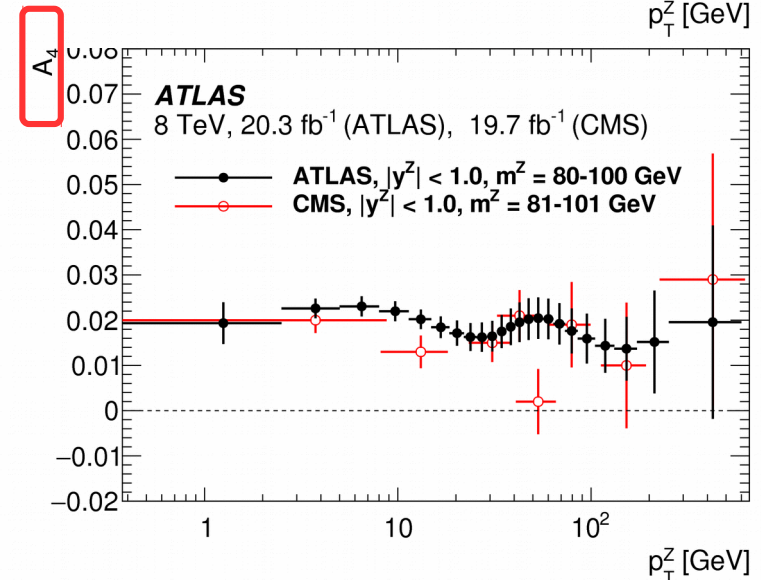
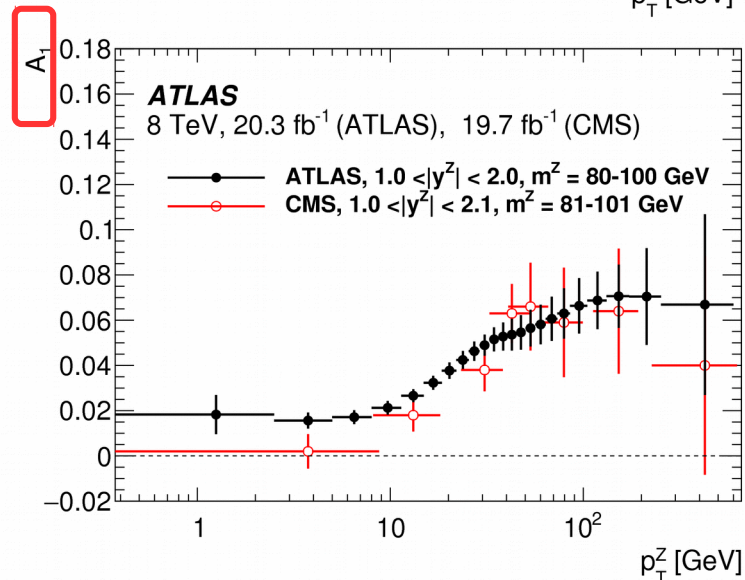
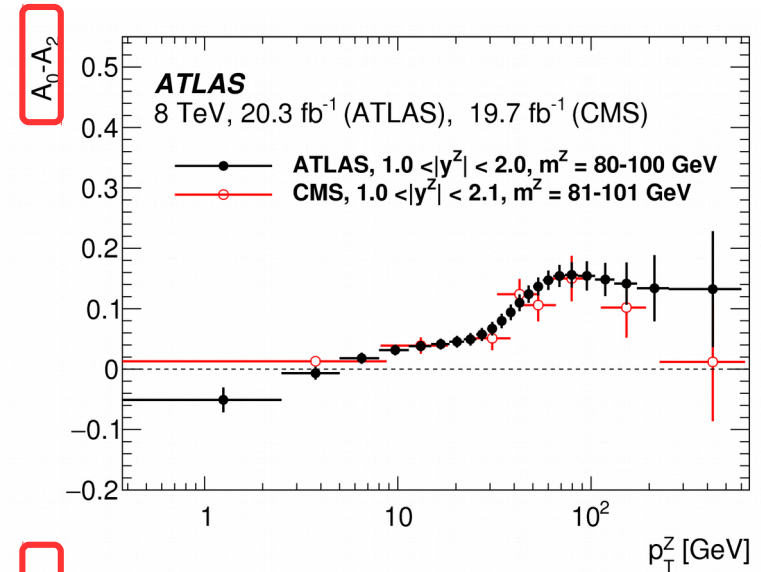
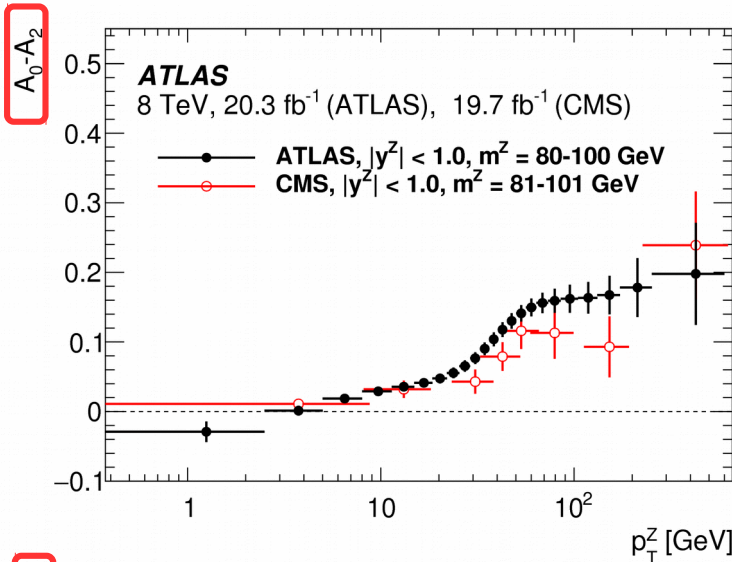
# Comparison to MC

- $A_1$  and  $A_2$  are sensitive to parton shower.
- Sherpa v1.4 and v2.1 do not describe  $A_0$ - $A_2$  well.
- Significant higher-order polynomial contribution in Sherpa version before v2.1.



# Comparison to CMS

- Good agreement with CMS ([PLB 750 \(2015\) 154](#))



# Summary

- Integrated  $W, Z$  cross sections @ 13 TeV: constraints on PDF with early 2015 data
- Differential in  $M$  and  $y$  or  $\Delta\eta$  high-mass Drell-Yan cross sections @ 8 TeV: tests of QCD and EW corrections, constraints on photon PDF in the proton.
- Differential in  $p_T$   $Z$  cross sections @ 8 TeV: test of QCD and potential for MC tuning.
- Differential in  $p_T$  measurement of  $Z$  angular coefficients @ 8 TeV: stringent test of pQCD and MC generators, sensitivity to WMA.
- $W$  and  $Z/\gamma^*$  measurements provide rich information about QCD and EW theories.

# Backup

Even more fun slides...

# Multijet background

