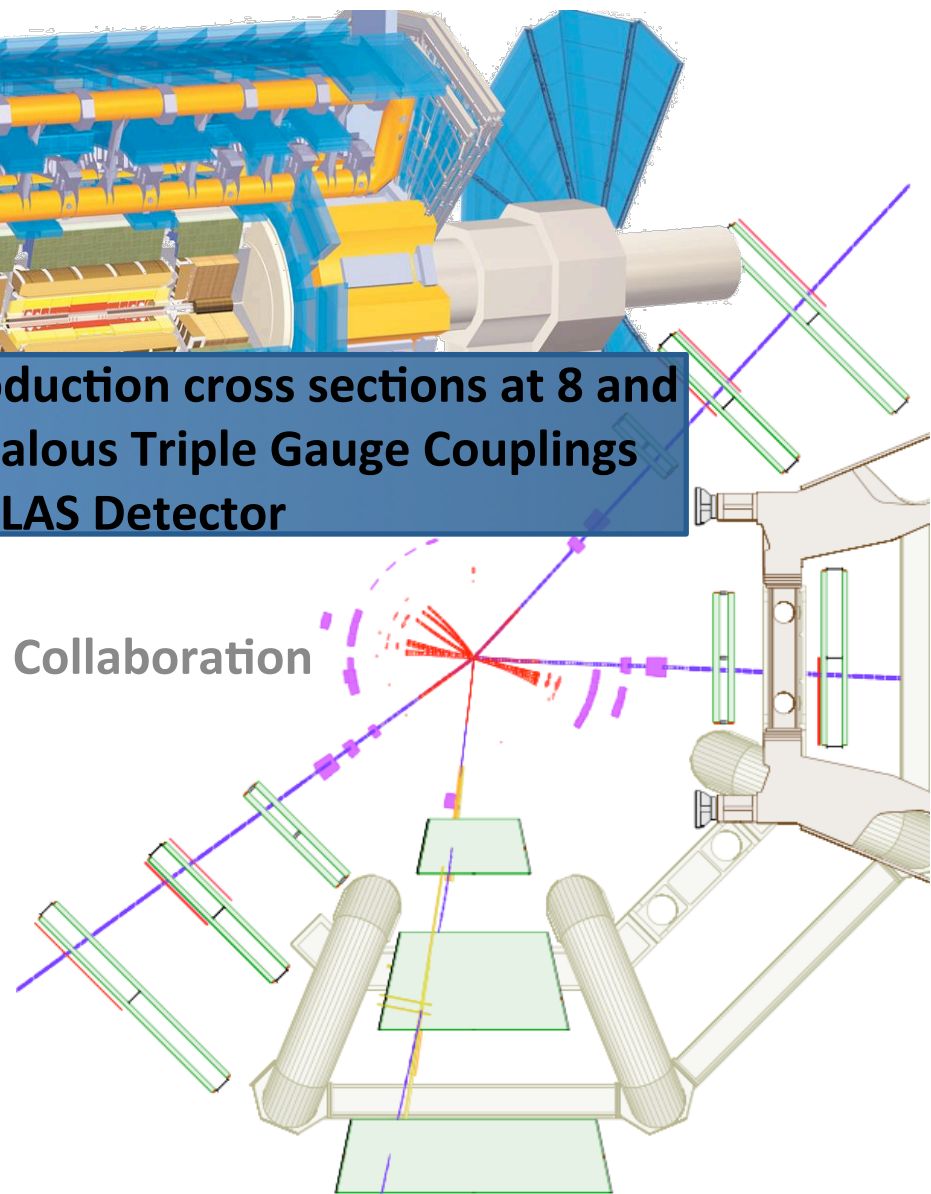




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New results  
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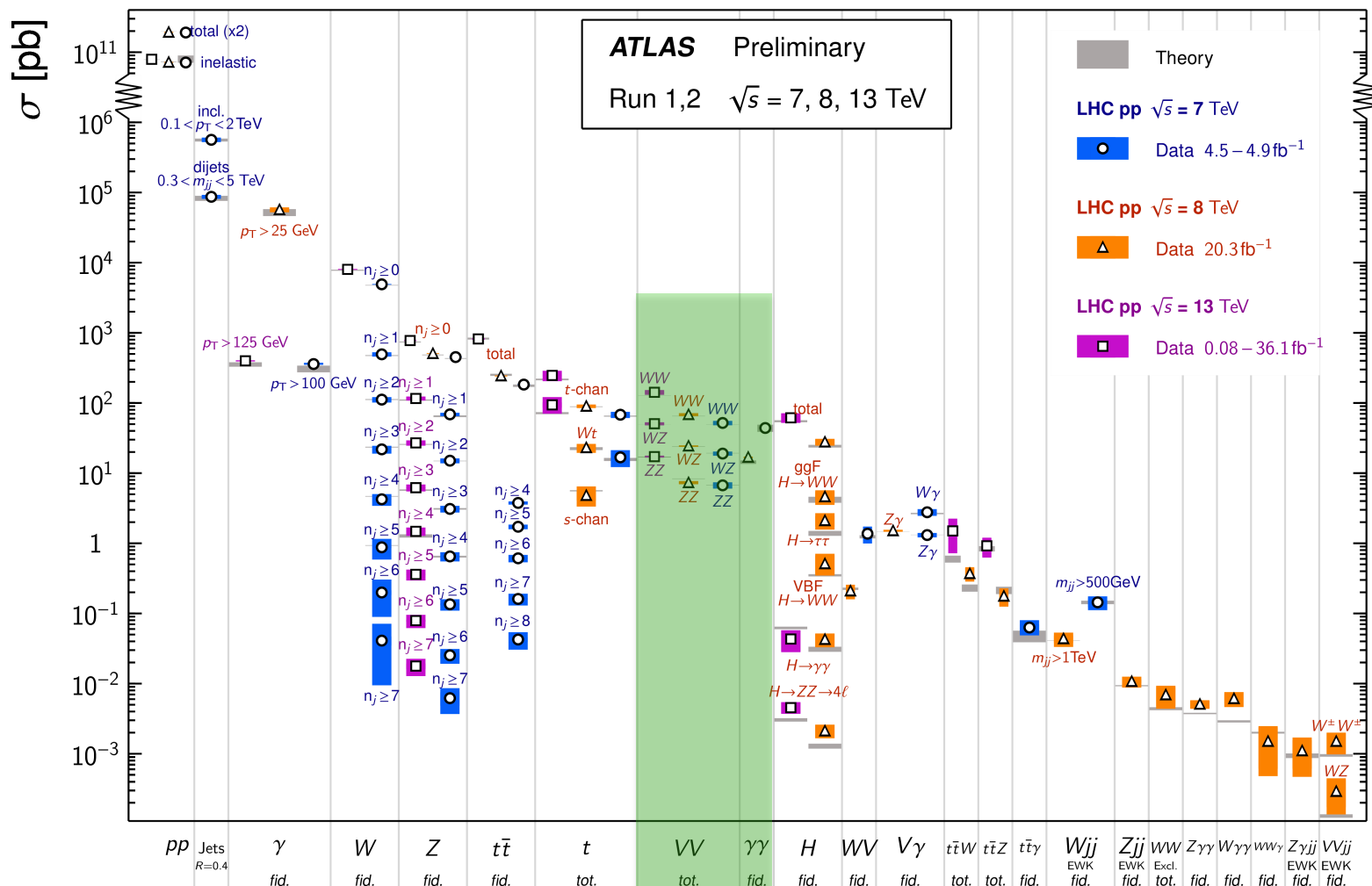
# Standard Model Measurements at ATLAS



- Diboson production is a significant irreducible background to many searches
- Diboson production cross-sections are sensitive to **higher order QCD effects**

## Standard Model Production Cross Section Measurements

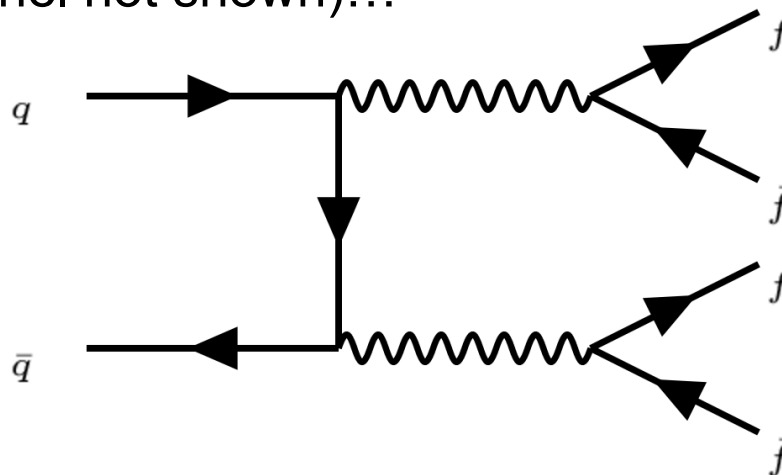
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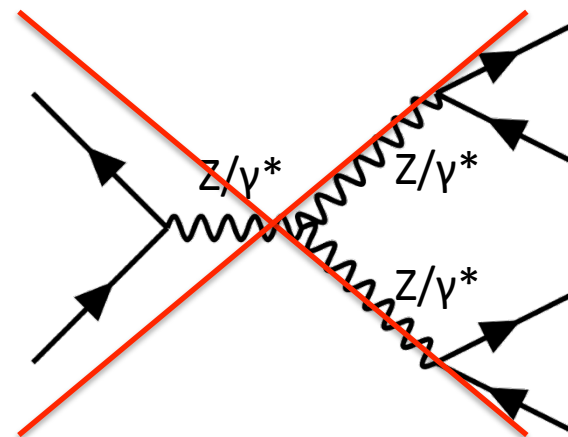
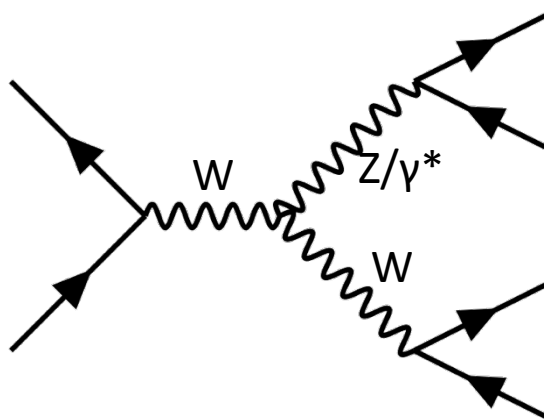
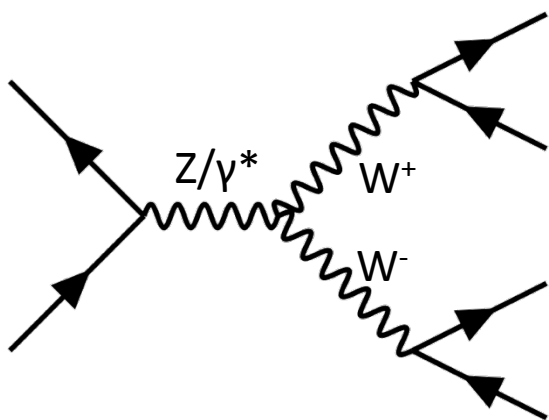
# Electroweak Diboson Production @ LO ( $\alpha^4$ )



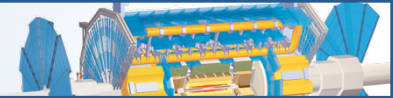
- LO process (u-channel not shown)...



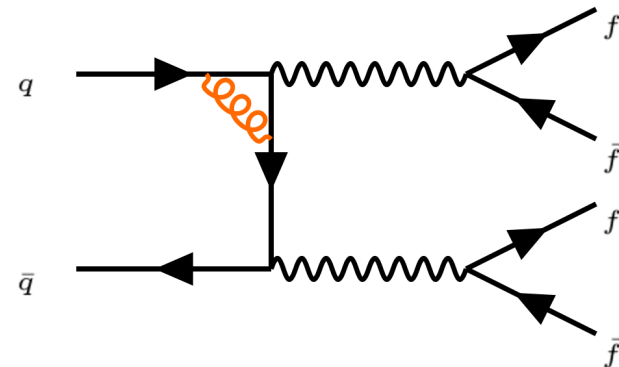
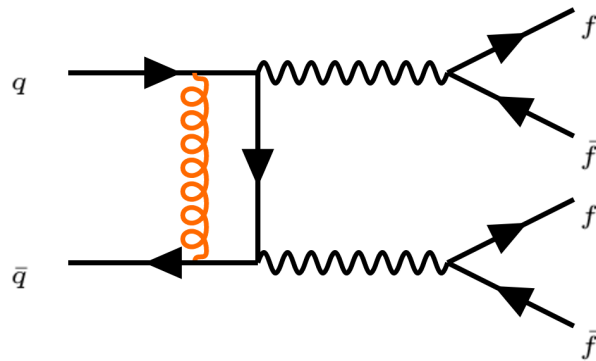
- + Triple Gauge Couplings – **WW and WZ production only!**



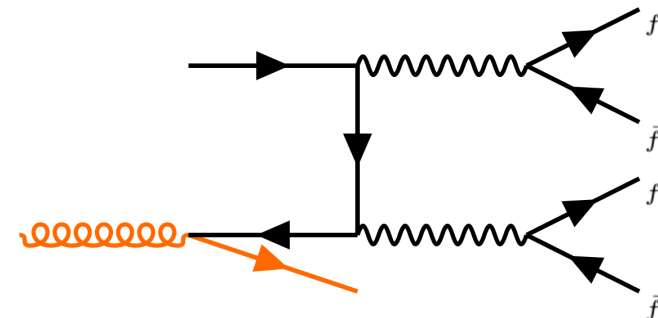
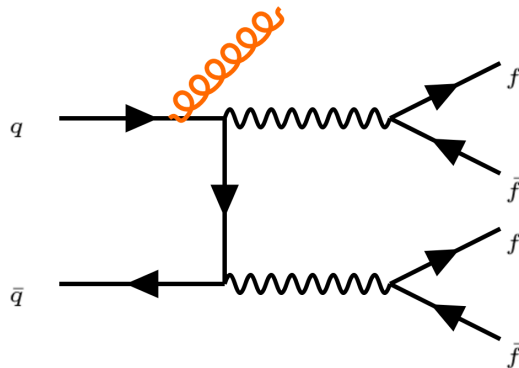
There are no Neutral Triple Gauge vertices (ZZZ, ZZ $\gamma$ ,...) in SM



- Interference with LO process ...



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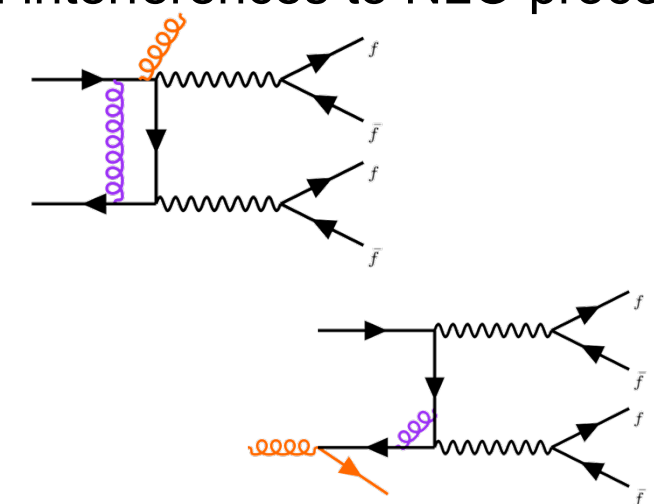
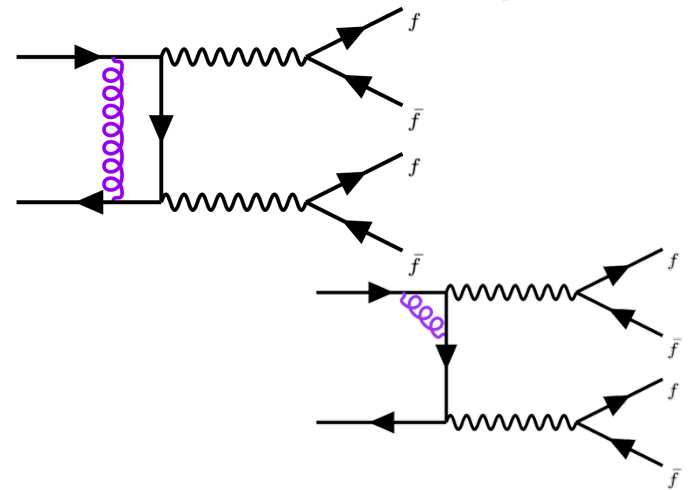


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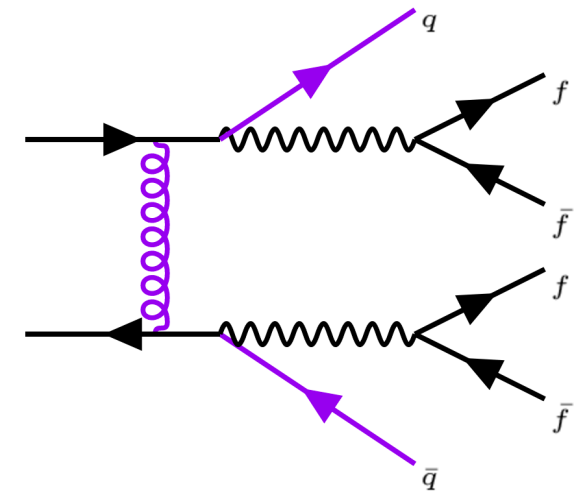
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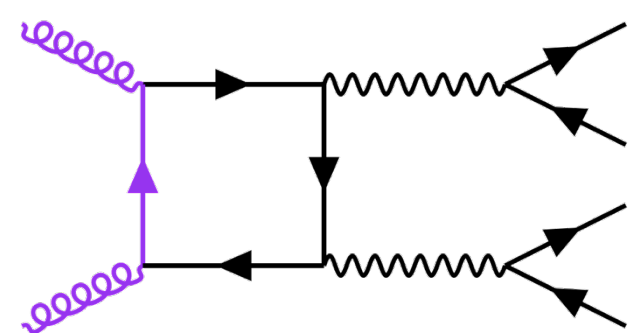
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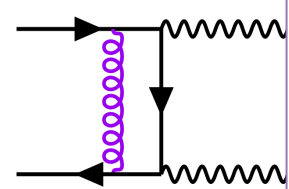
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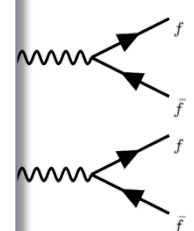
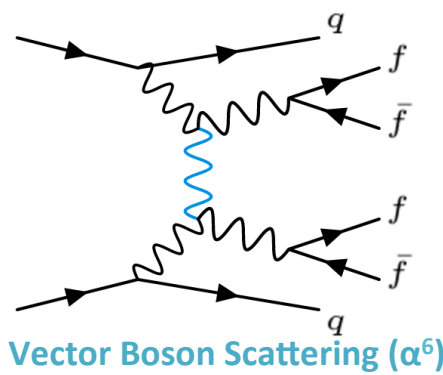
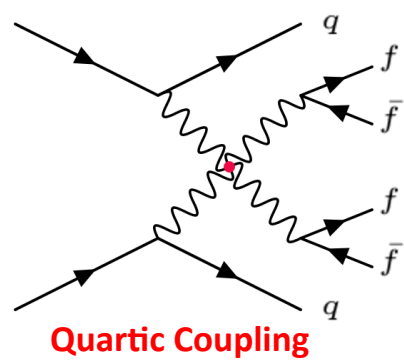
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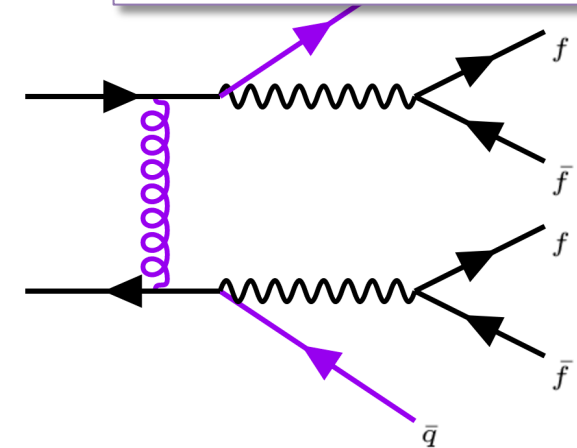


• NNLO QCD is major background when we want to probe rare EW processes

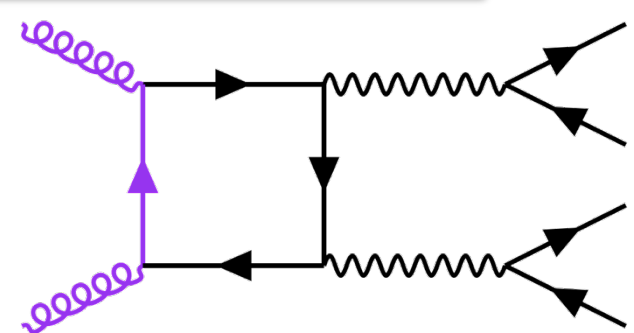


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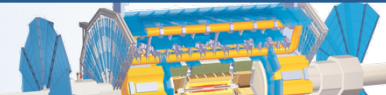
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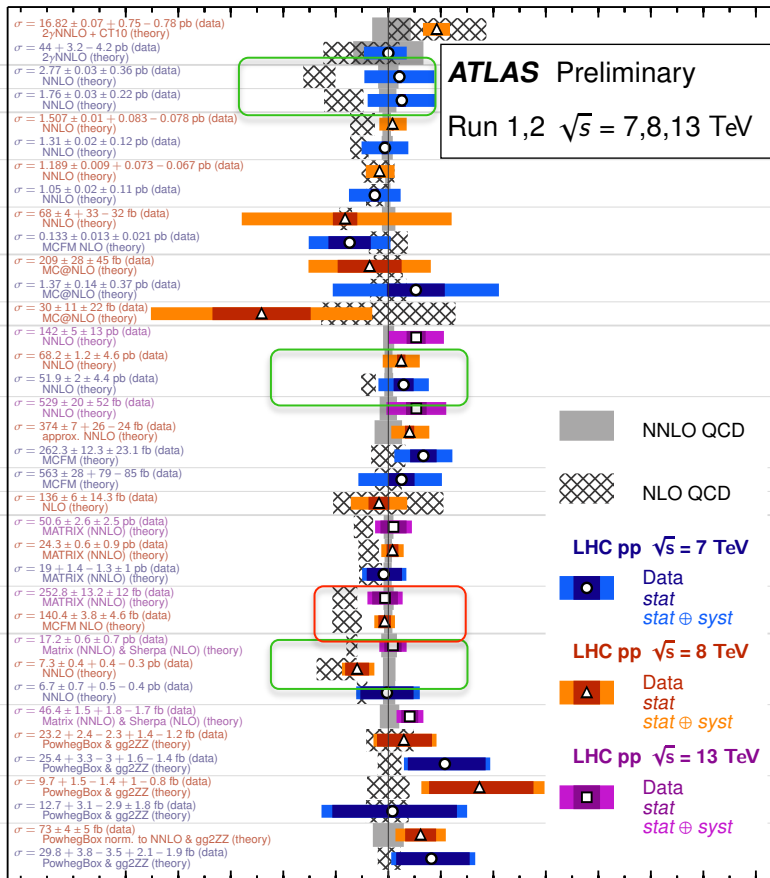


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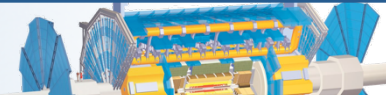
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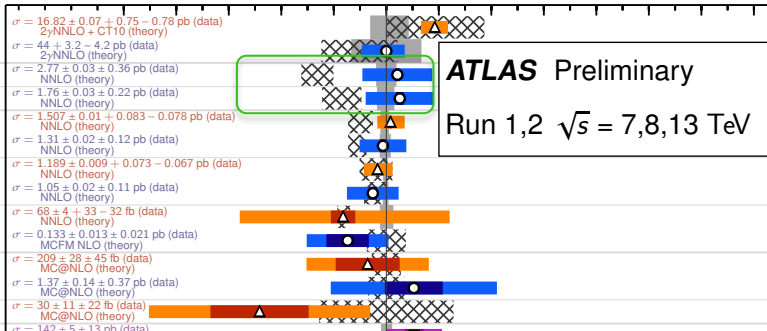


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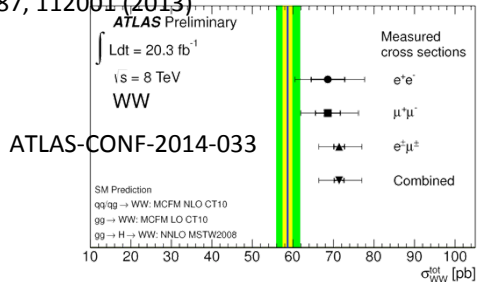


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## 2015 Flashback

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Combined	$51.9 \pm 2.0 \pm 3.9 \pm 2.0$	$44.7^{+2.1}_{-1.9}$

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8 TeV

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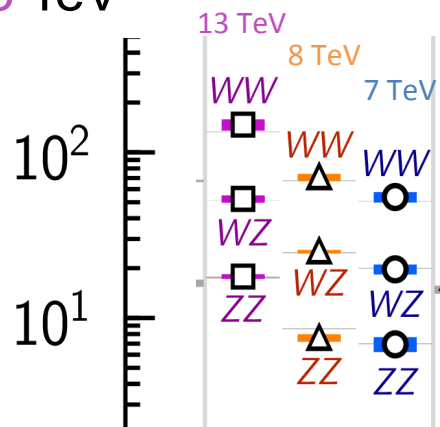
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# Diboson leptonic final states [lepton = e, $\mu$ ]



- ATLAS has measurements of WW, WZ, and ZZ cross-sections at 7, 8, and 13 TeV



← Statistics (Higher cross-sections)

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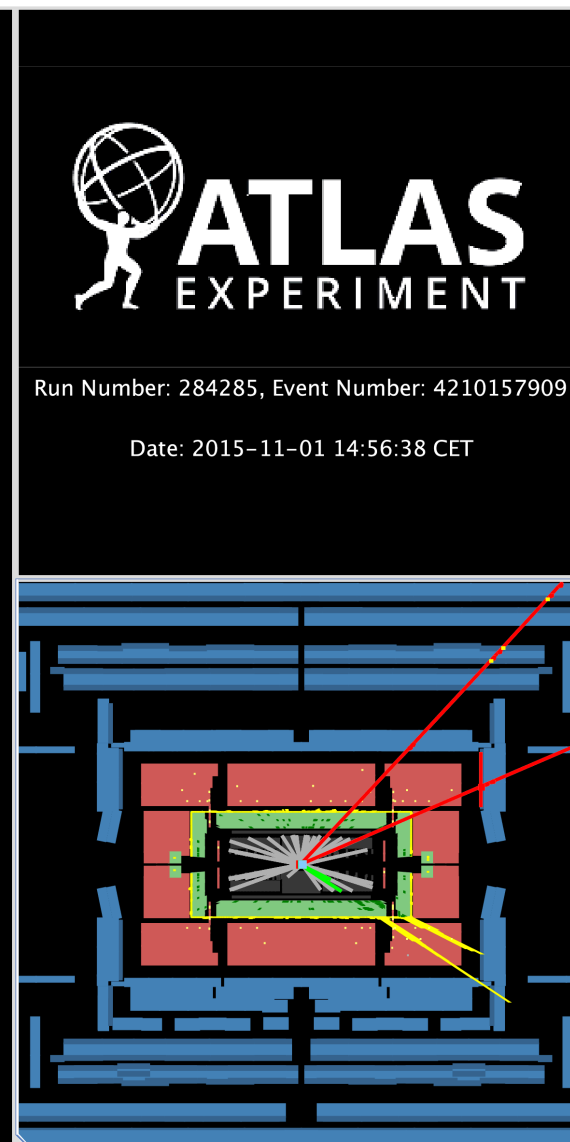
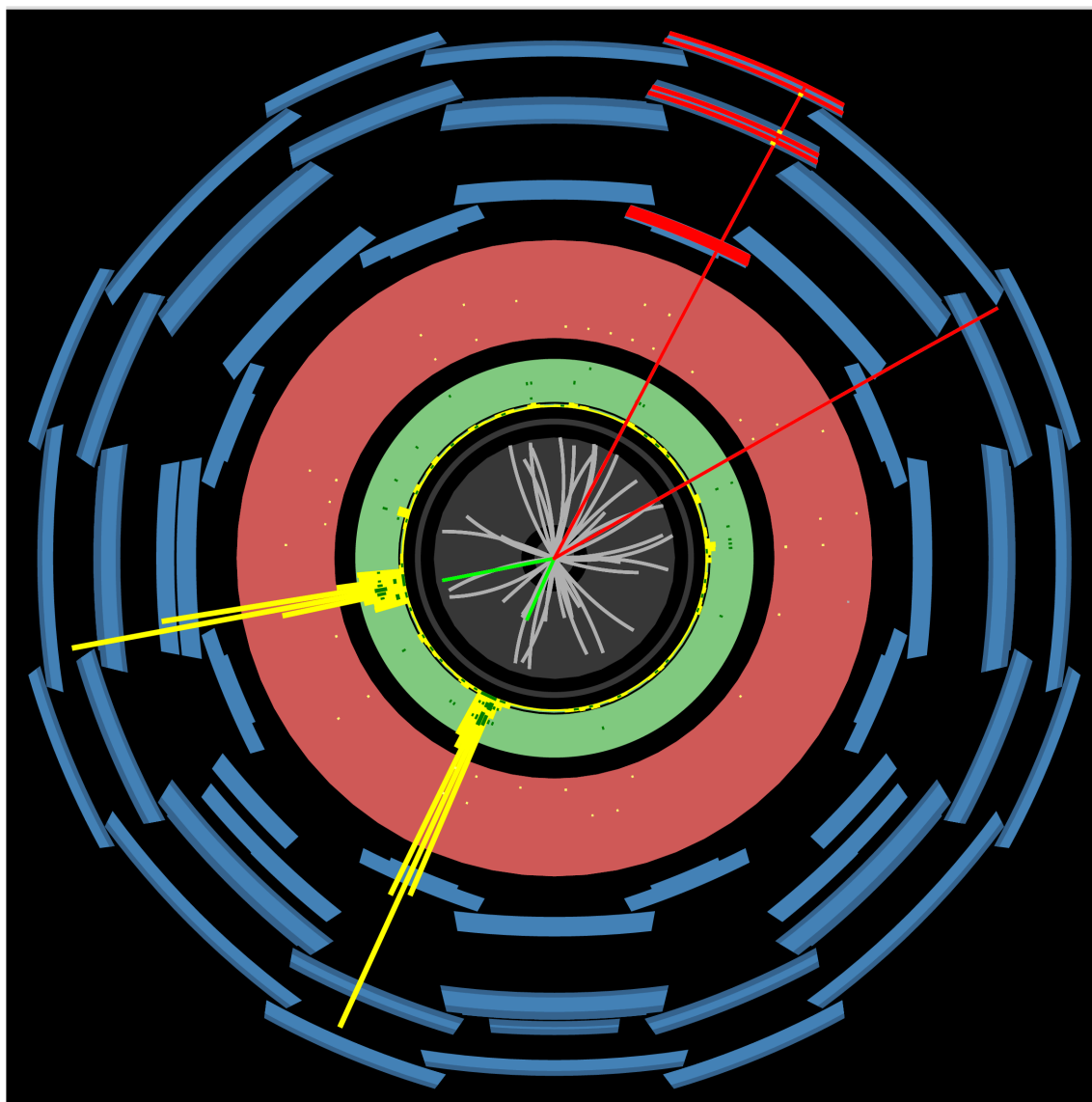
WZ

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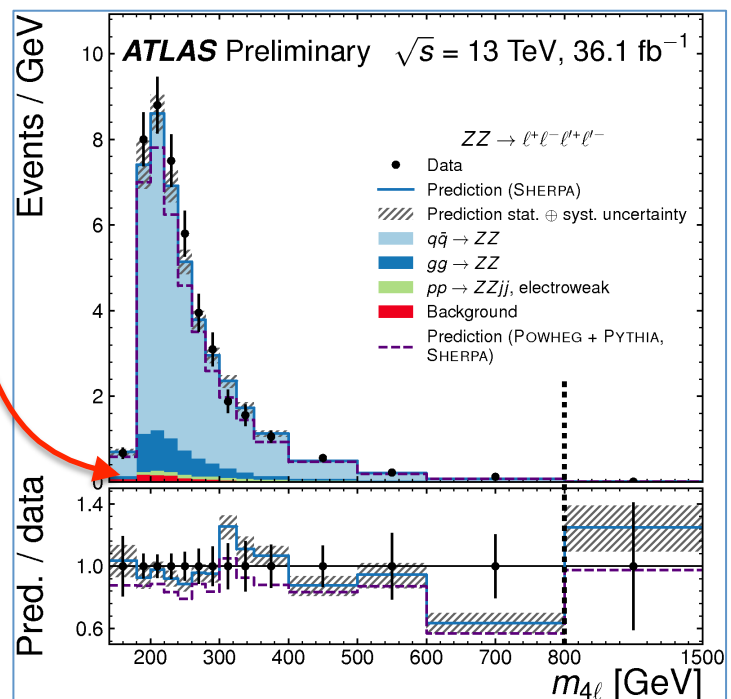
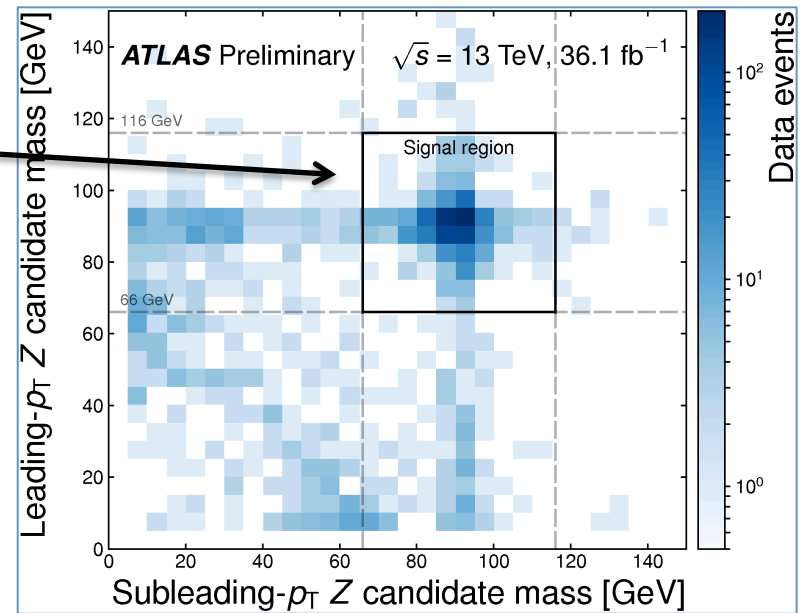
<b>Final State / Signature:</b>	2 leptons (+2 $\nu$ )	3 leptons (+1 $\nu$ )	4 leptons
<b>Main Backgrounds:</b>	(leptonic) tt, Drell-Yan	Drell-Yan + 1 fake lepton ZZ (1 missed lepton) WW, tt + 1 fake lepton	WZ + 1 fake WW, tt, Drell-Yan + 2 fake
<b>Signal region purity:</b>	~70%	~75%	~98%

→ Cleanliness (background rejection)

- An  $ee\mu\mu$  candidate ZZ event



- 36.1 fb<sup>-1</sup> (2015+2016)  $\sqrt{s} = 13$  TeV data
- Select events with *at least* 4 leptons
- Only on-shell: **66 < m<sub>ll</sub> < 116 GeV**
- **Fully leptonic final state** is very clean signature
  - Main backgrounds from fake leptons (e.g. in Z + jet events)
  - SM processes w/ > 4 leptons treated as background (e.g. ZZZ -> 6l)



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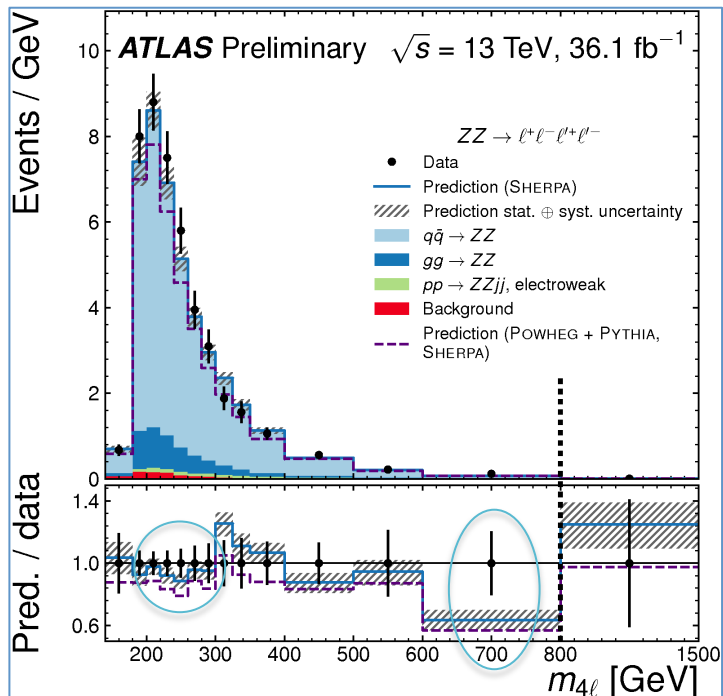
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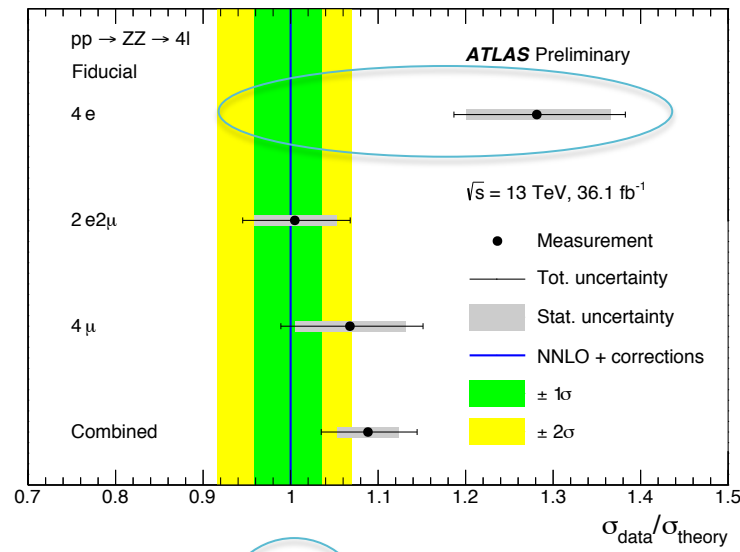
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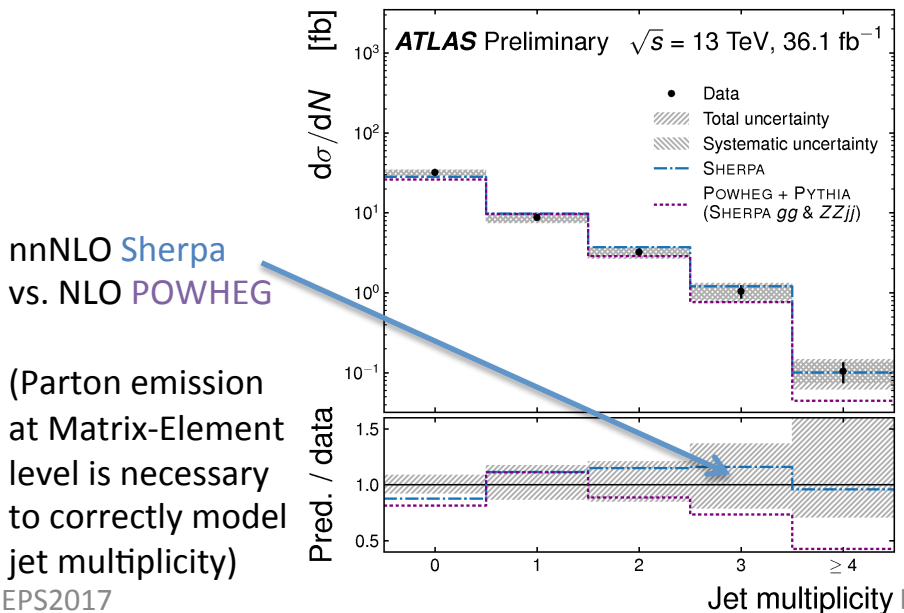
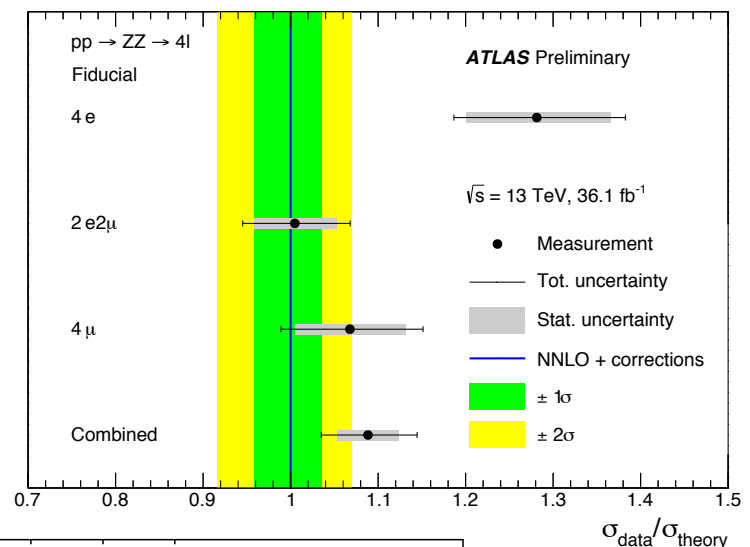
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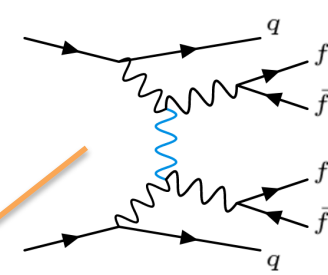
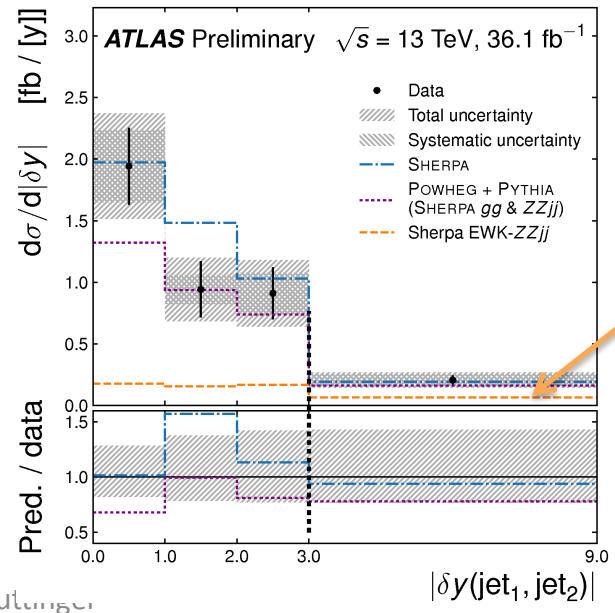
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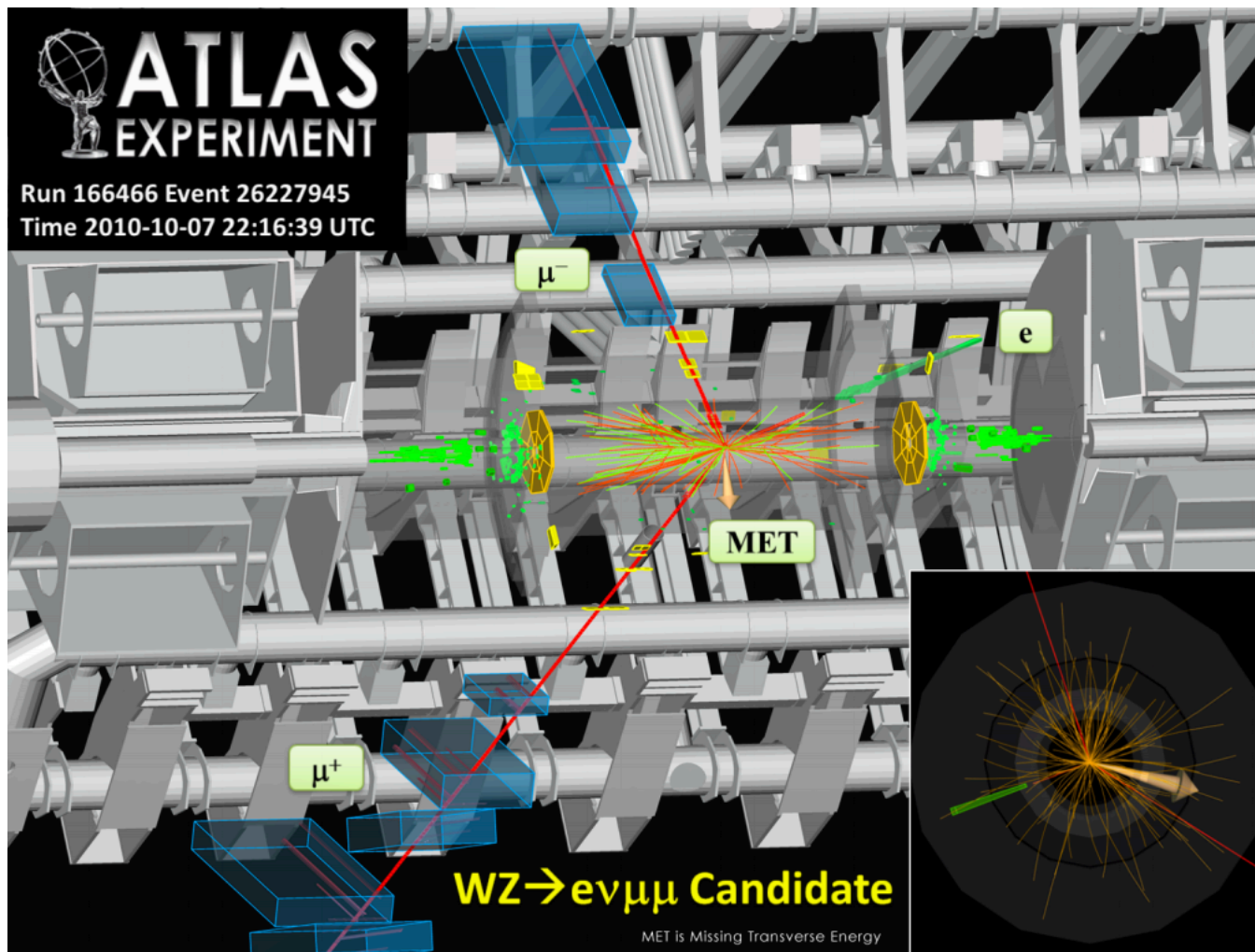
nnNLO Sherpa vs. NLO POWHEG  
(Parton emission at Matrix-Element level is necessary to correctly model jet multiplicity)



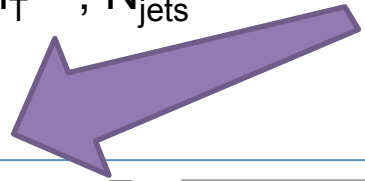
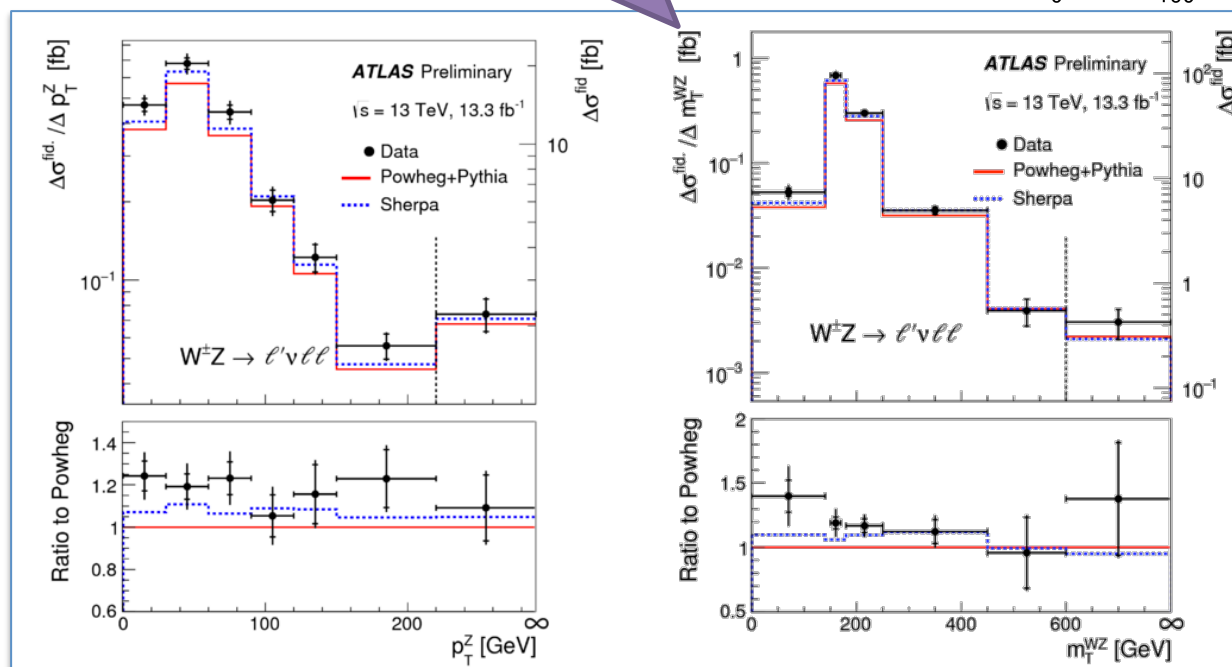
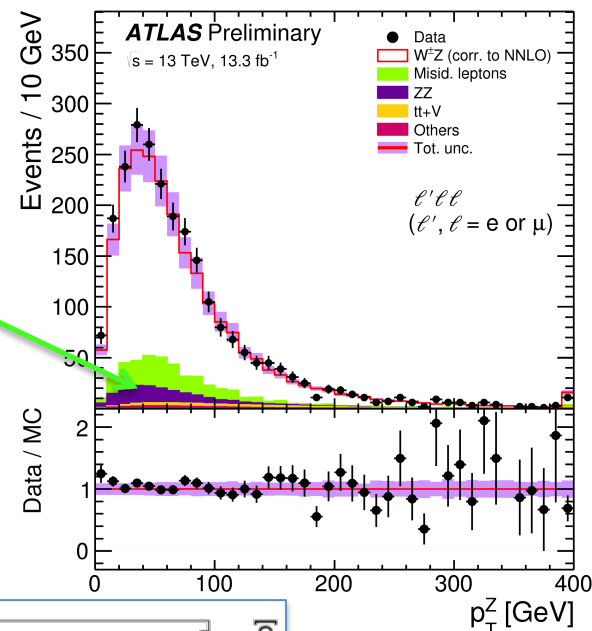
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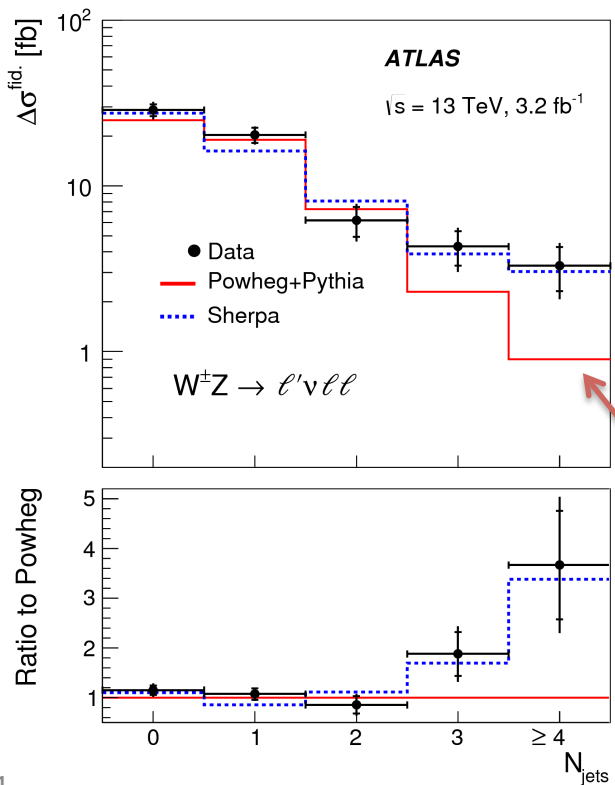
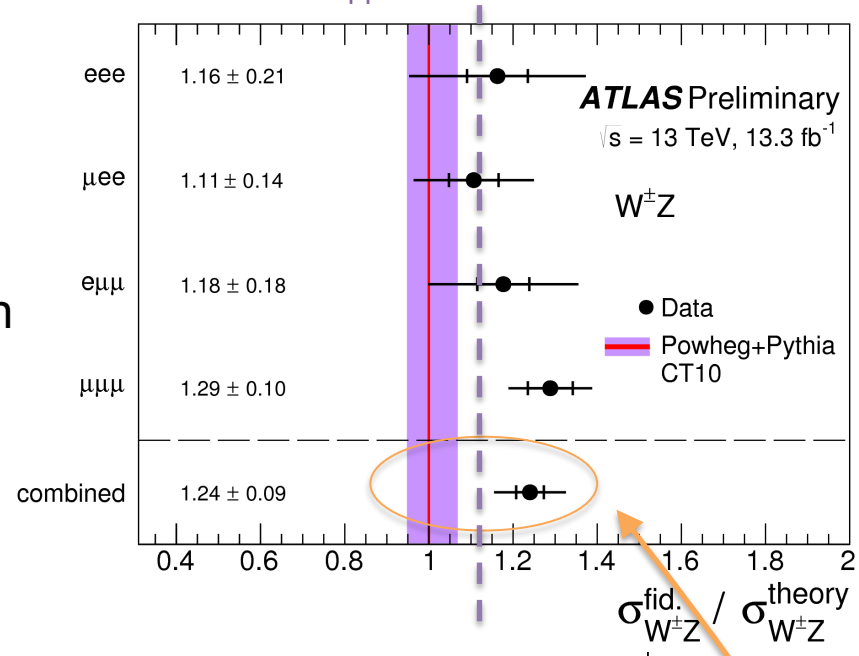
- An  $e\nu\mu\mu$  candidate WZ event



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- NNLO prediction from MATRIX agrees with total cross-section measurement

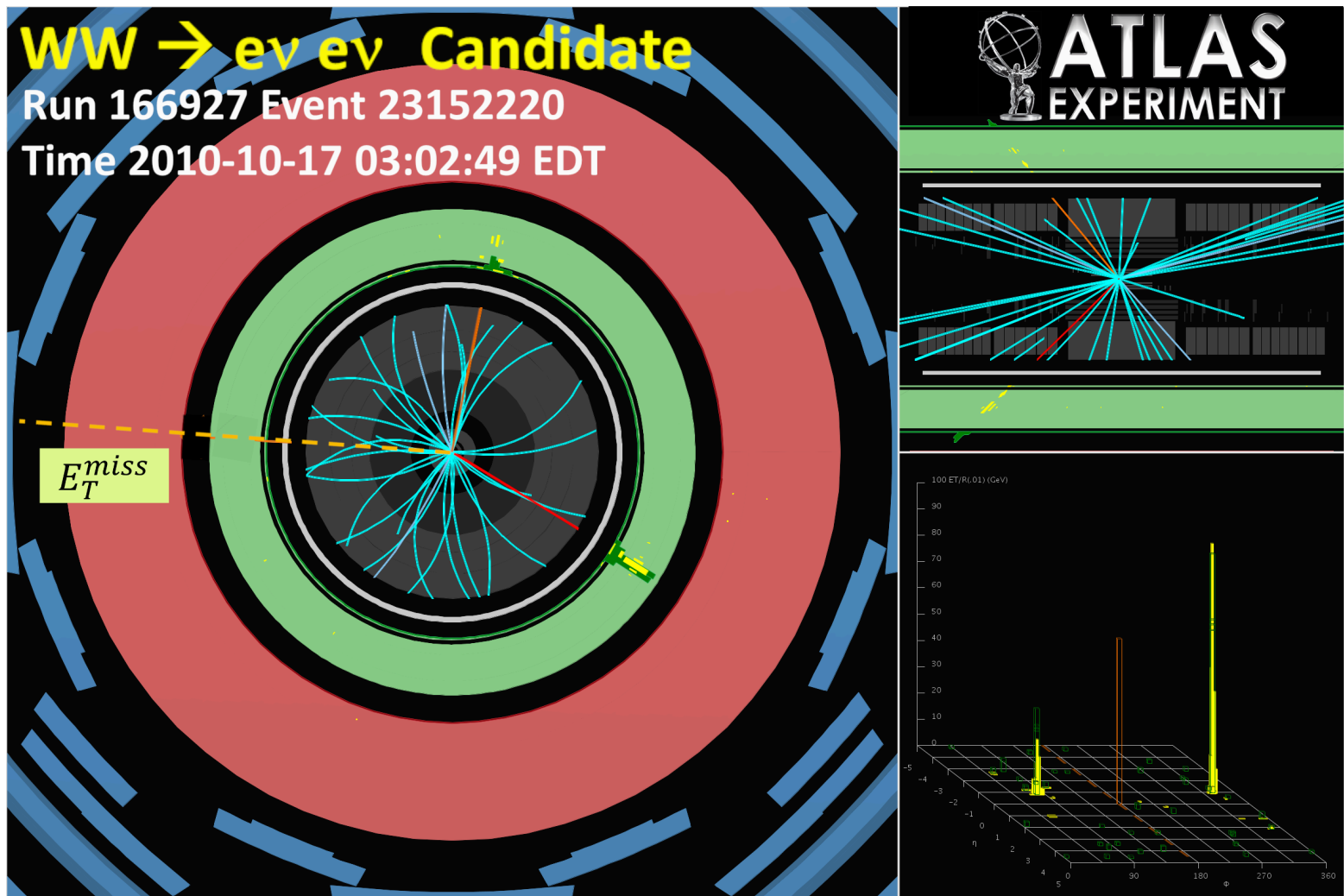
$$\sigma_{W^{\pm}Z}^{\text{tot.}} = 50.6 \pm 2.6 (\text{stat.}) \pm 2.0 (\text{sys.}) \pm 0.9 (\text{th.}) \pm 1.2 (\text{lumi.}) \text{ pb}$$

Predicted:  $48.2 \pm 1.1$  pb

- Powheg's NLO prediction shows difference to data in fiducial volume, particularly at high jet multiplicities
  - nnNLO sherpa shows better agreement

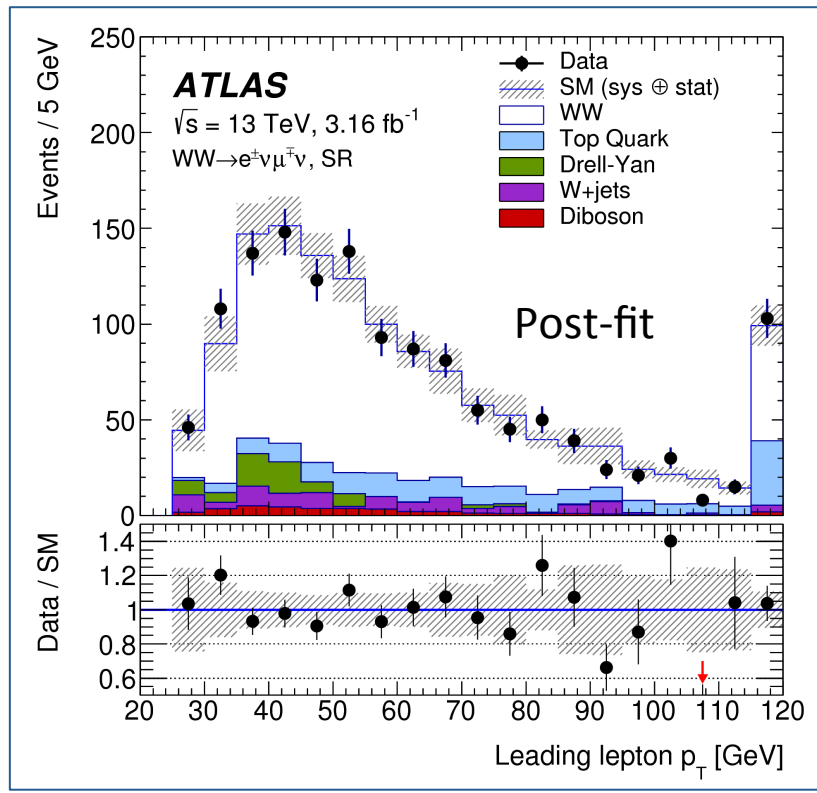


- An example WW event from run 1

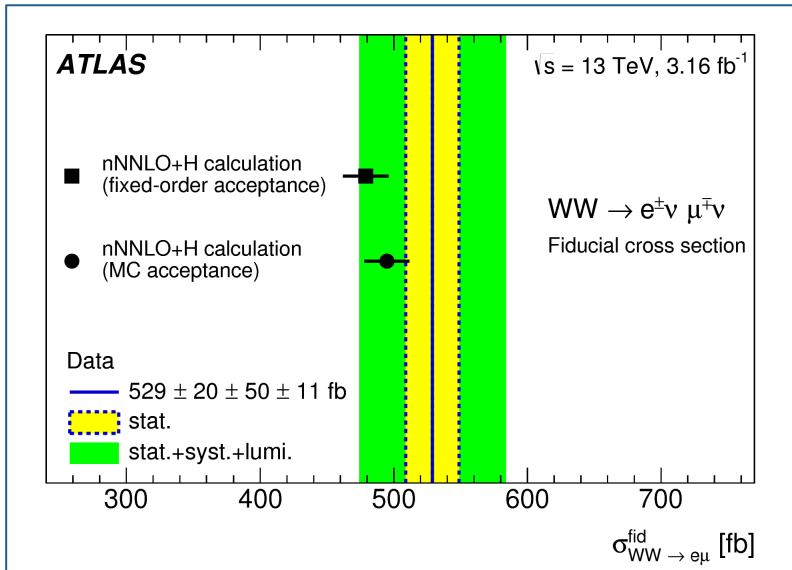


# WW Production at ATLAS @ 13 TeV

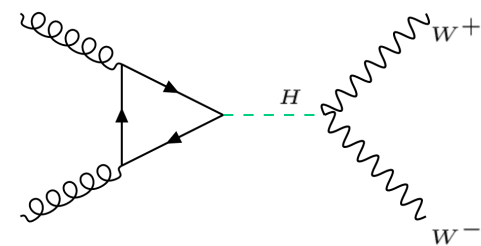
- 3.16 fb<sup>-1</sup> √s = 13 TeV data
- Only e μ channel, to suppress **Drell-Yan**
- Apply a **jet veto** to suppress **Top background**. Require MET > 20 GeV to further suppress **Drell-Yan**
  - Jet calibration is dominant uncertainty
- Top and Drell-Yan background shapes from MC, normalization from simultaneous fit in control regions:
  - Post-fit scale factors are 0.875 ± 0.035 for Top and 1.03 ± 0.03 for DY



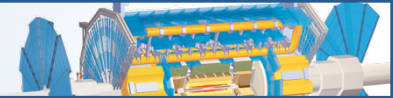
$$\sigma_{WW}^{\text{tot}} = 142 \pm 5 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 13 \text{ (syst.)} \pm 3 \text{ (lumi.) pb}$$



Predicted: 128.4<sup>+3.5</sup><sub>-3.8</sub> pb



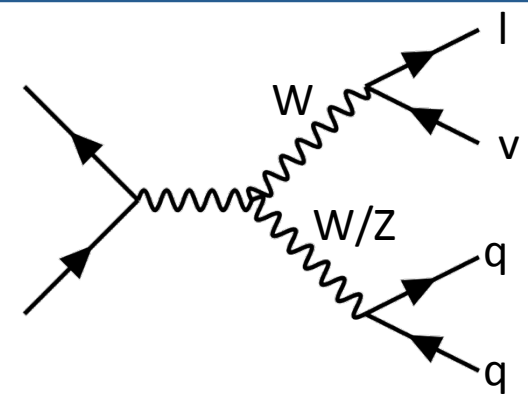
Prediction includes ~ 8% contribution from Higgs



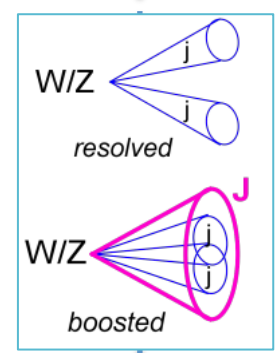
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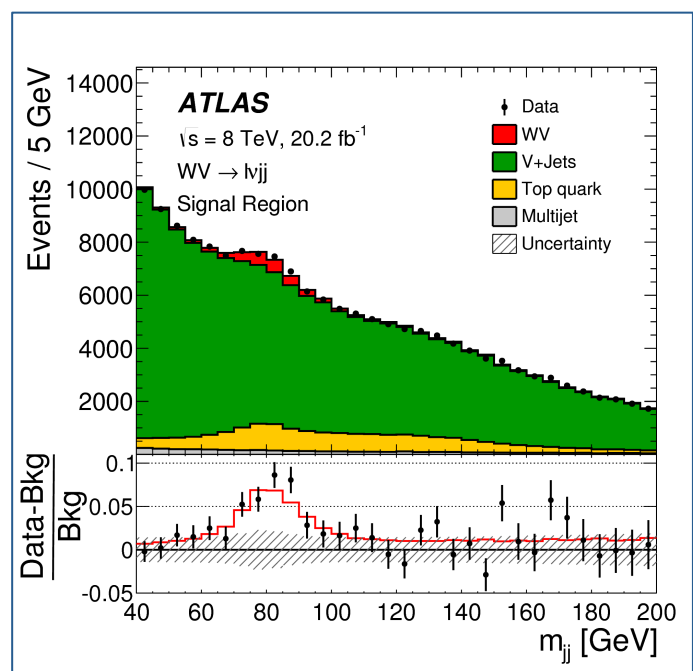
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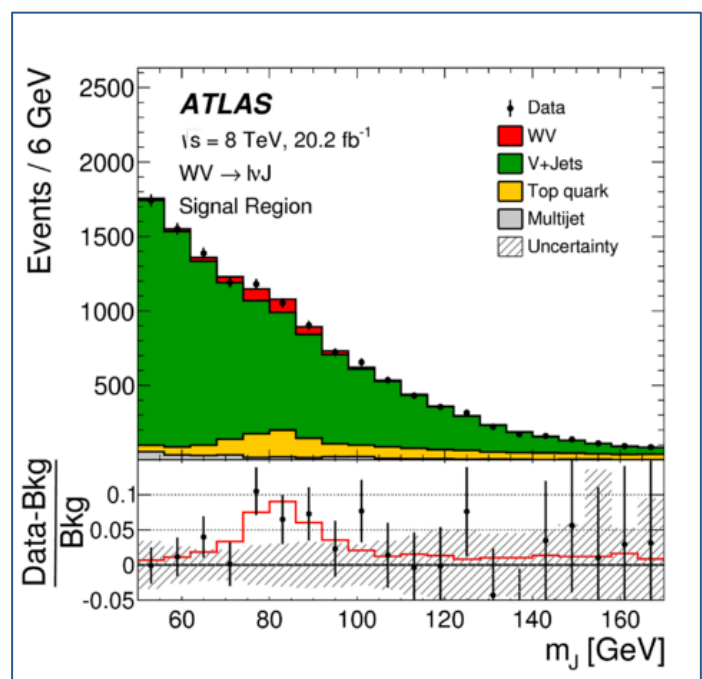
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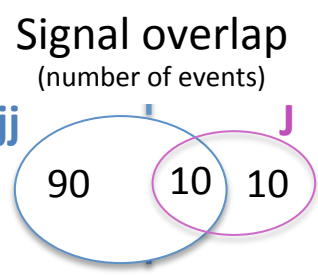
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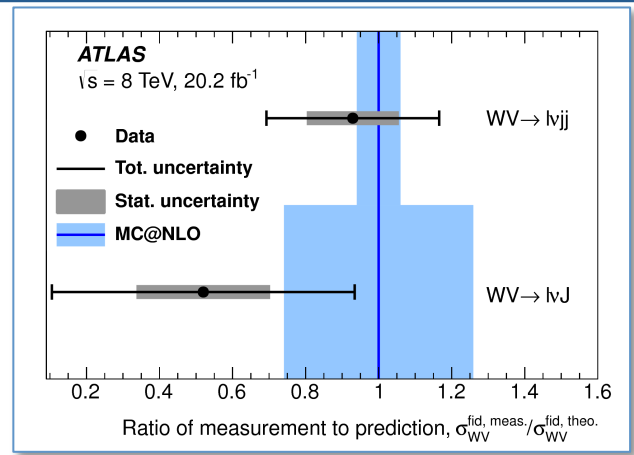
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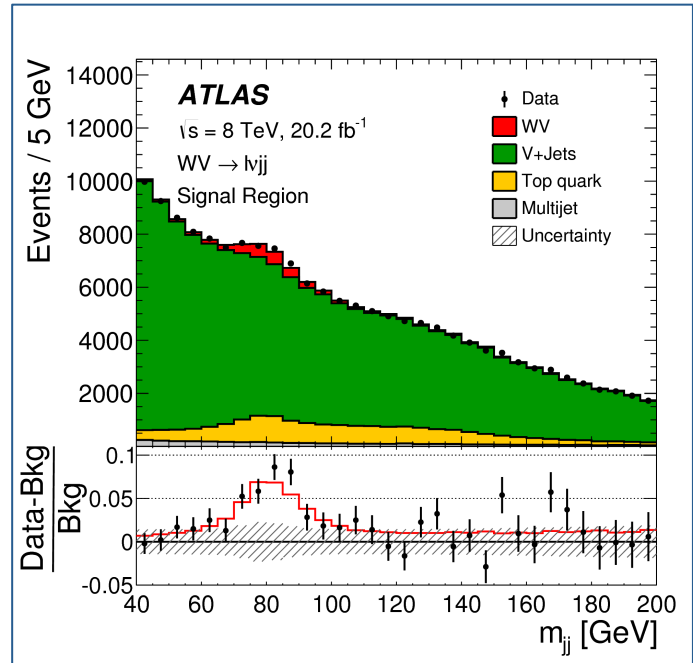
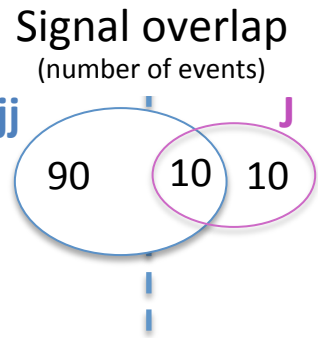
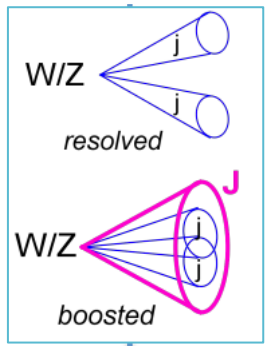
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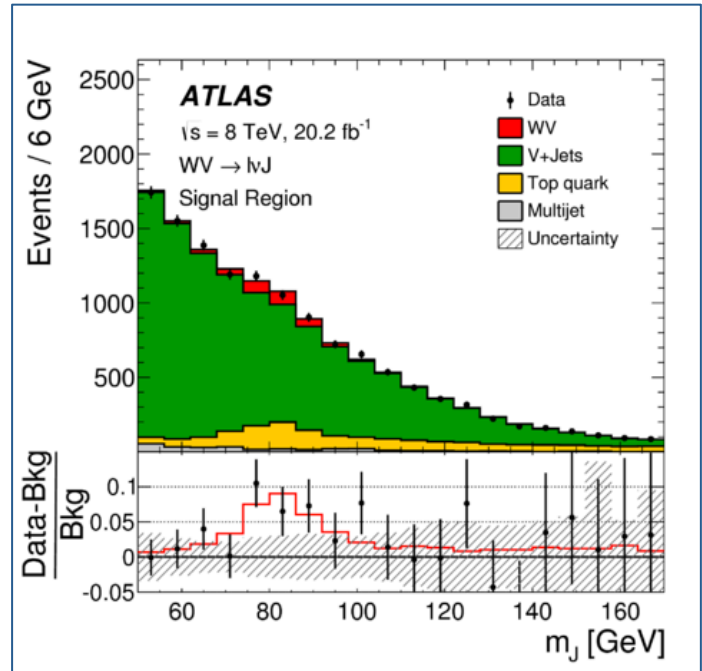
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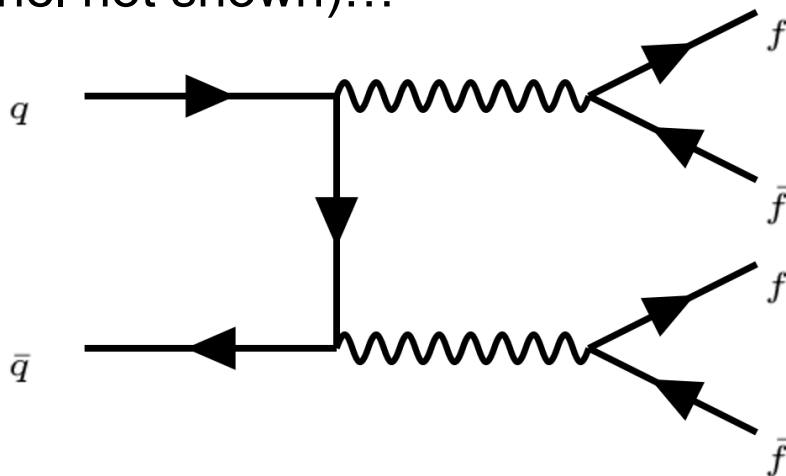


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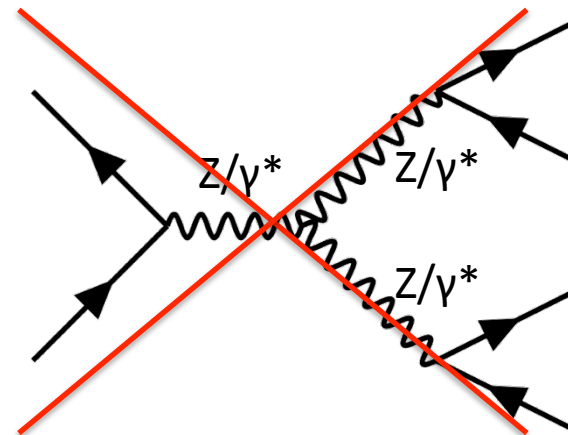
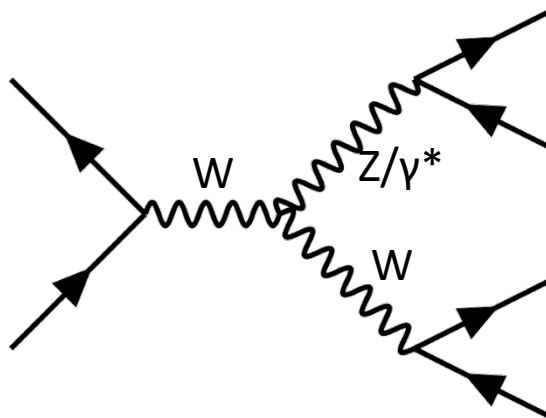
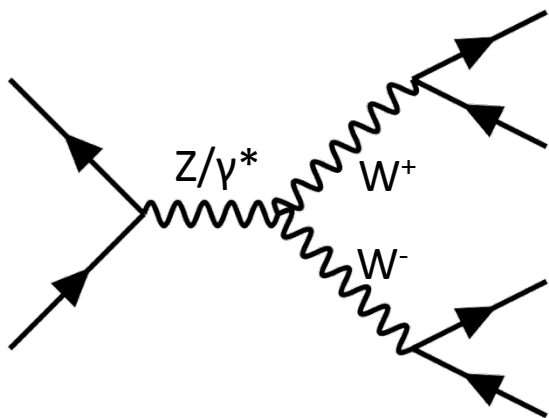
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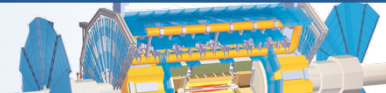


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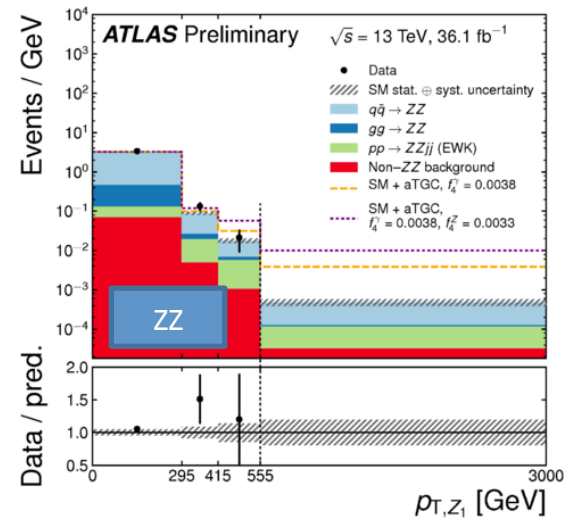
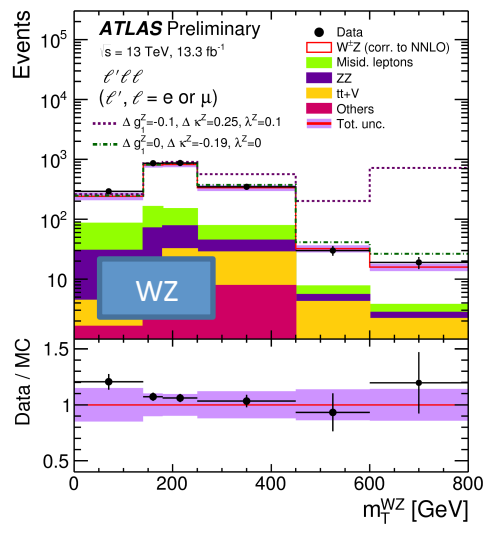
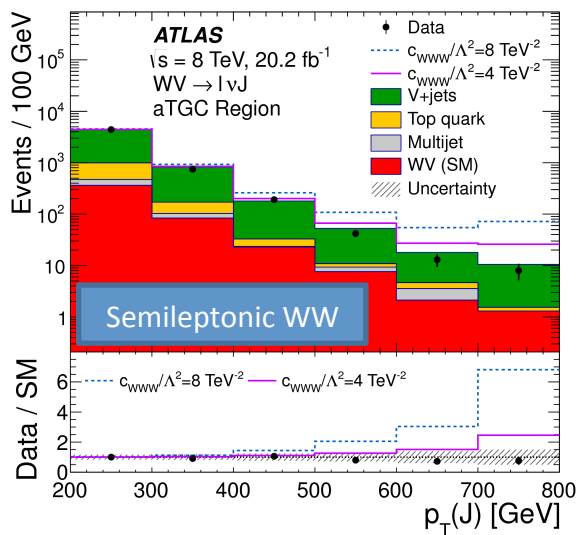


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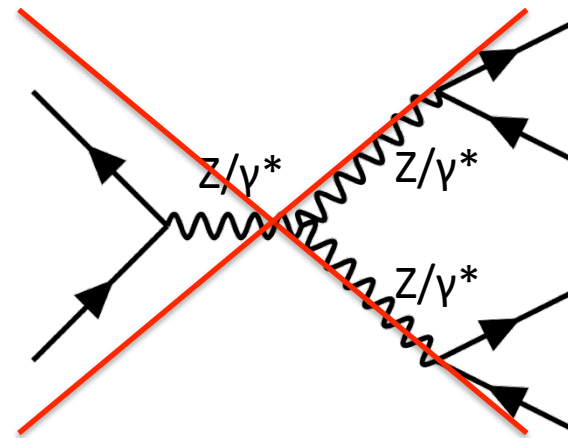
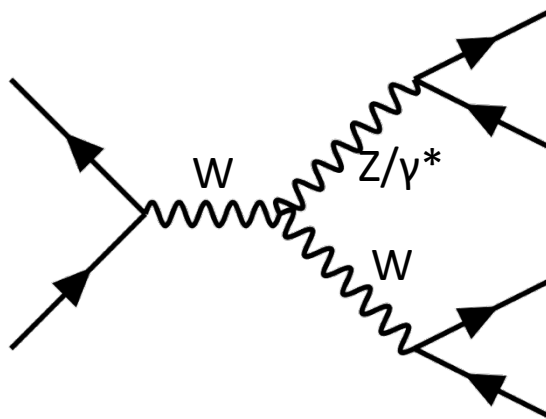
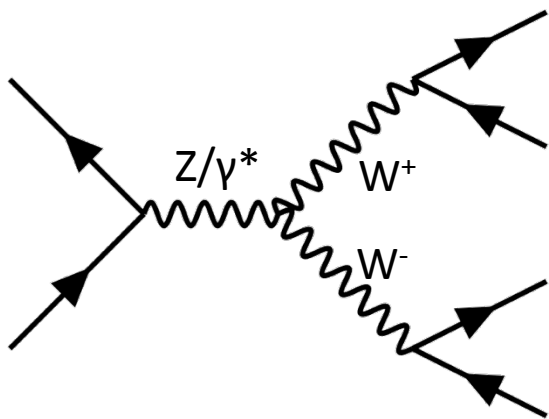
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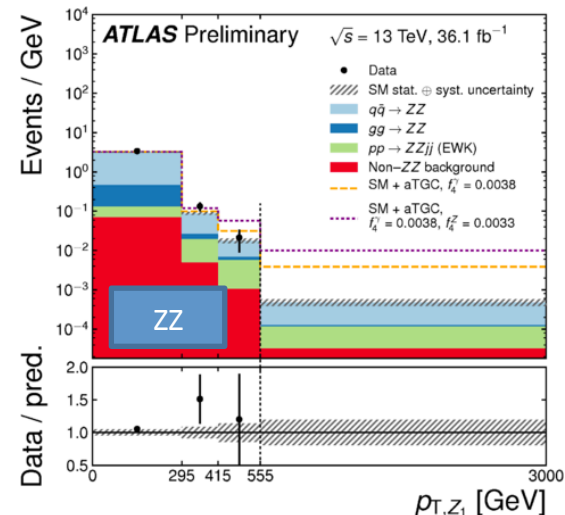
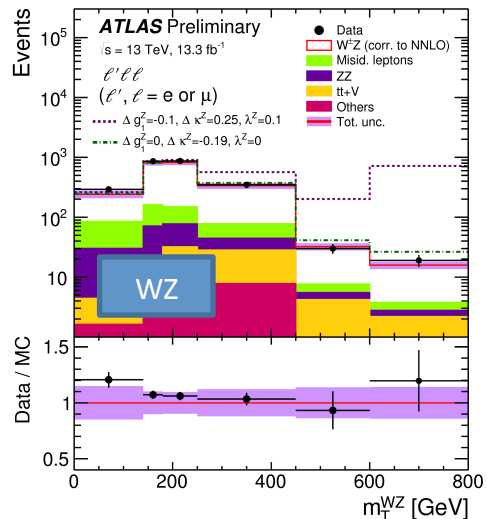
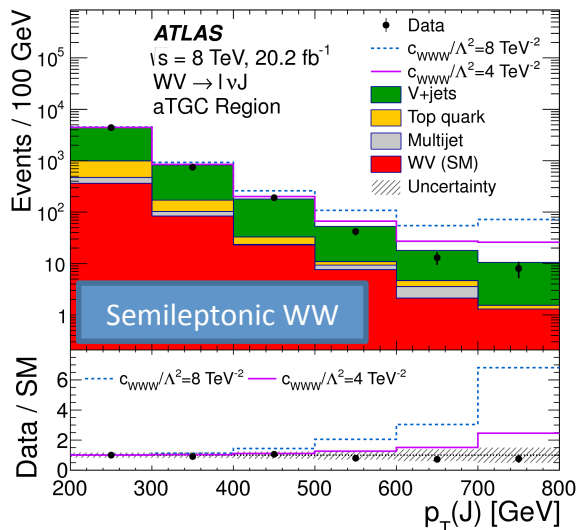


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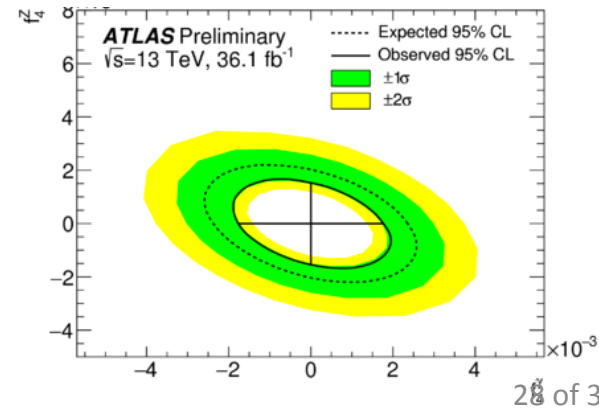
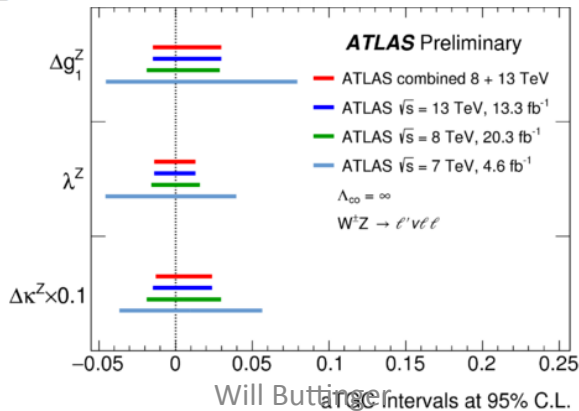
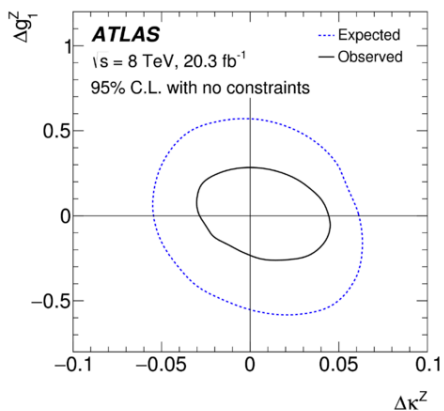


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$$\frac{\mathcal{L}_{WWV}}{g_{WWV}} = ig_1^V (W_{\mu\nu}^+ W^\mu V^\nu - W_\mu^+ V_\nu W^{\mu\nu}) + i\kappa_V W_\mu^+ W_\nu V^{\mu\nu} + \frac{i\lambda_V}{m_W^2} W_{\lambda\mu}^+ W_\nu^\mu V^{\nu\lambda}$$

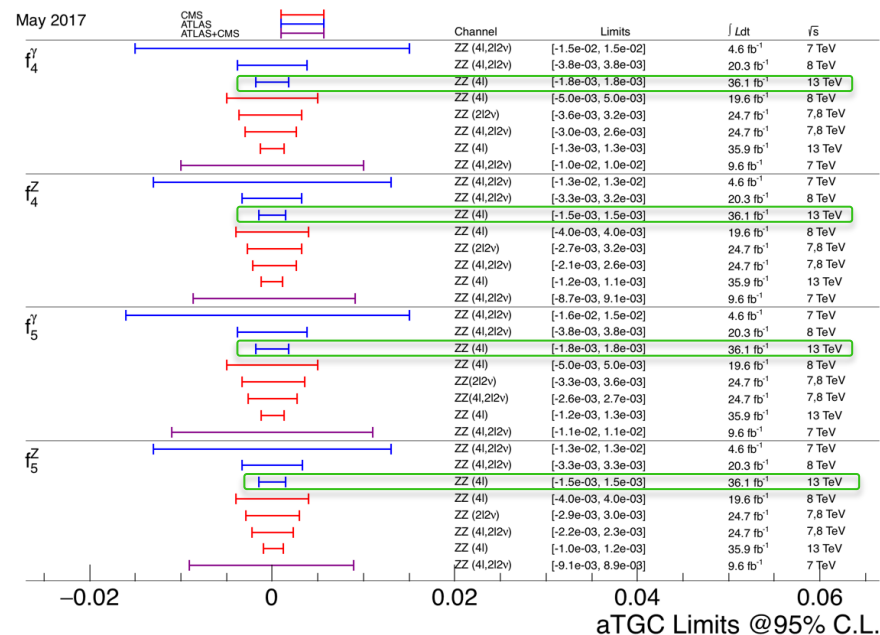
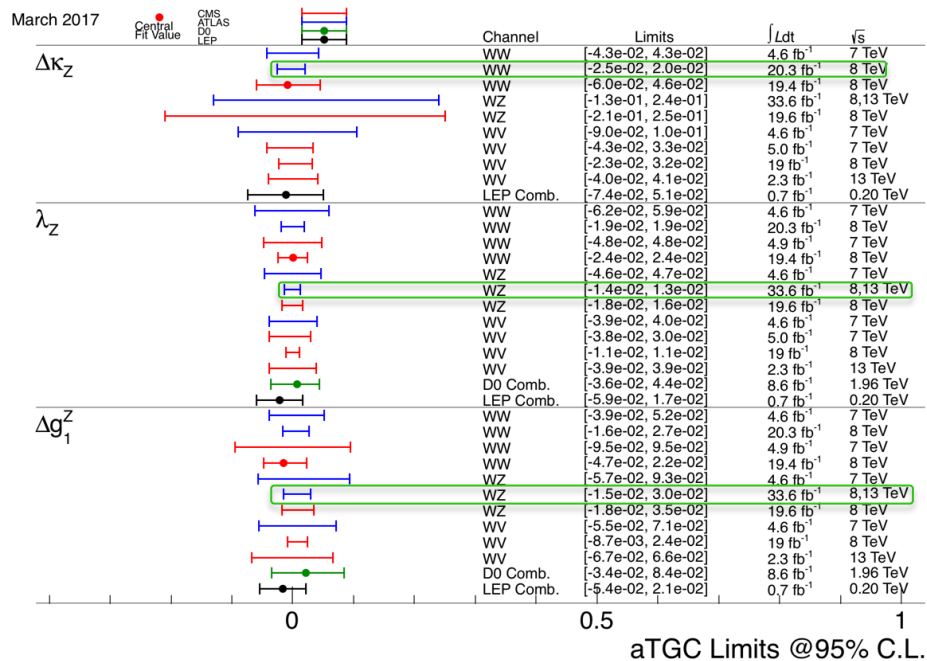
$$\mathcal{L}_{ZZV} = -\frac{e}{M_Z^2} \left( f_4^V (\partial_\mu V^{\mu\beta}) Z_\alpha (\partial^\alpha Z_\beta) + f_5^V (\partial^\sigma V_{\sigma\mu}) \tilde{Z}^{\mu\beta} Z_\beta \right)$$



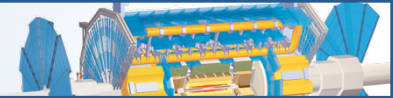
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- Limits are now tighter than at LEP
  - Limits also comparable between ATLAS and CMS, for similar datasets
- These aTGC limits constrain a variety of BSM models at higher energies



<https://twiki.cern.ch/twiki/bin/view/CMSPublic/PhysicsResultsSMPaTGC>



- ATLAS has a full programme of diboson cross-section measurements
  - SM diboson production is often a background to BSM physics searches
- Today I showcased electroweak diboson production (WW,WZ,ZZ)
  - Fully-leptonic final states are the first measurements we do of these processes
  - Also now gaining sensitivity to these processes in the semi-leptonic final states
- These measurements have challenged theorists to compute predictions to NNLO and beyond
  - So far, theorists (and the Standard Model) have risen to that challenge!
- No evidence yet of enhancement of these processes from BSM physics
  - Targeting high momentum transfer phase space we have continued to set limits on anomalous Triple Gauge boson Couplings