

# Study of Multiboson Production with the ATLAS detector

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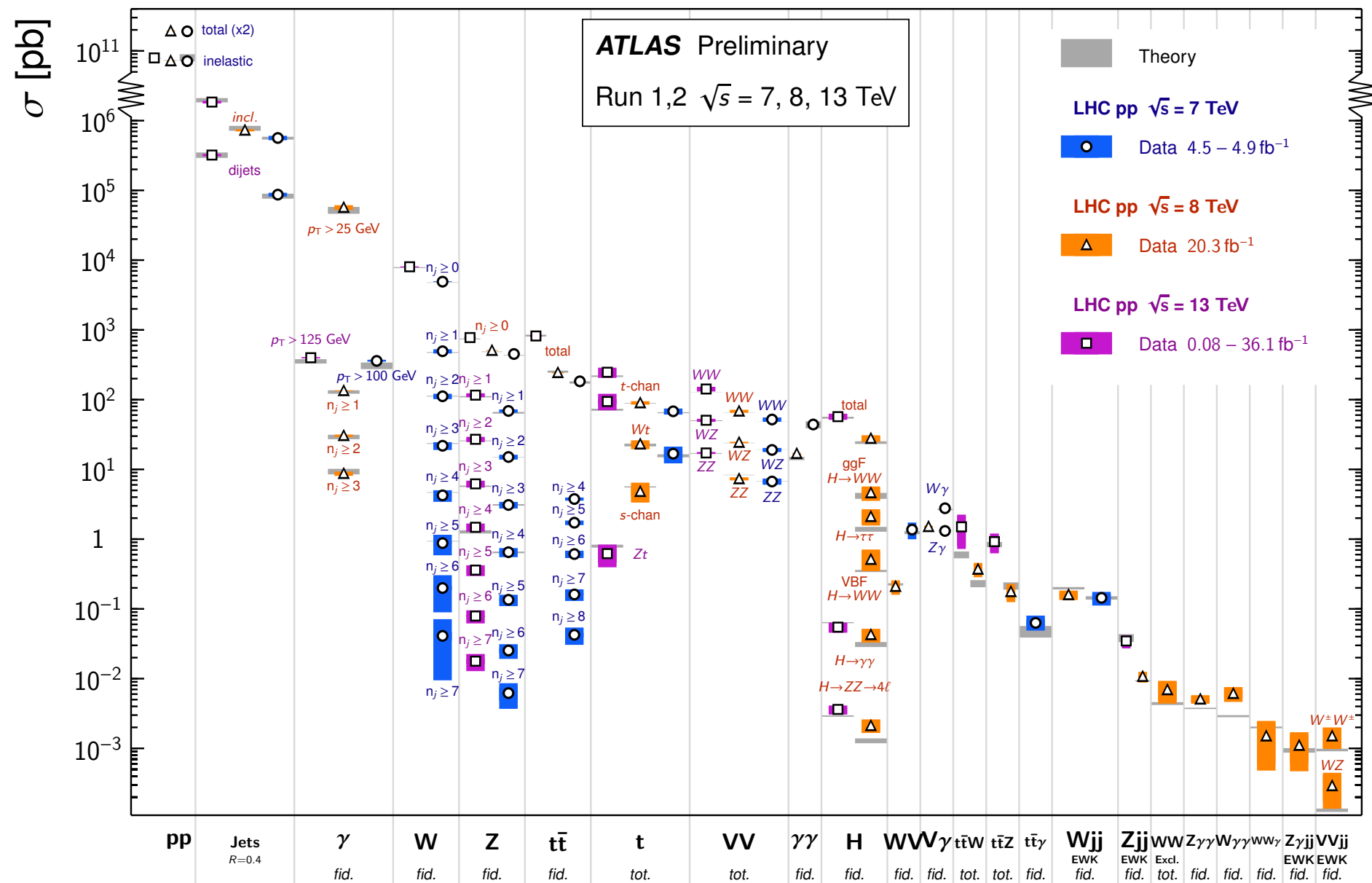


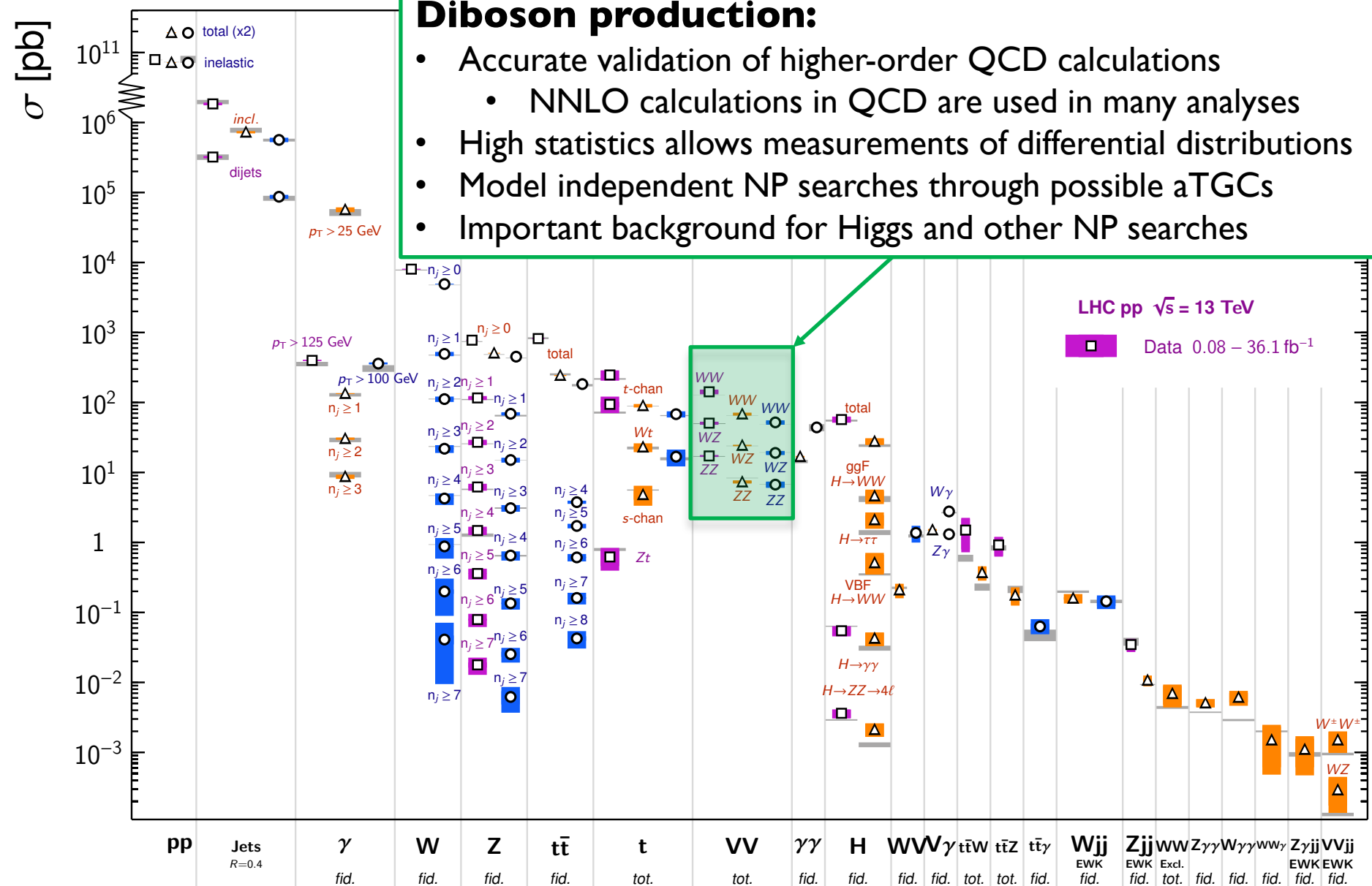
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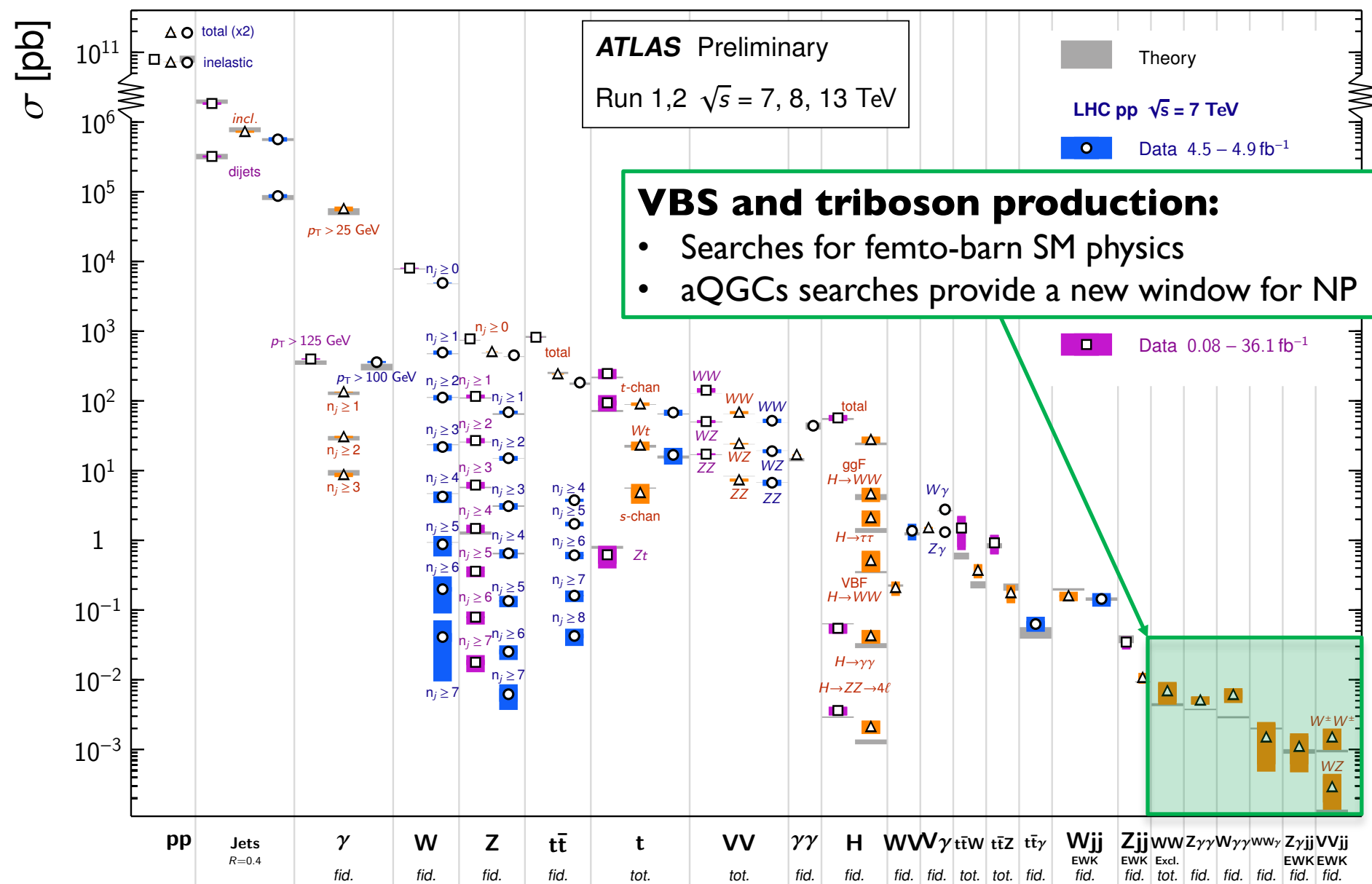


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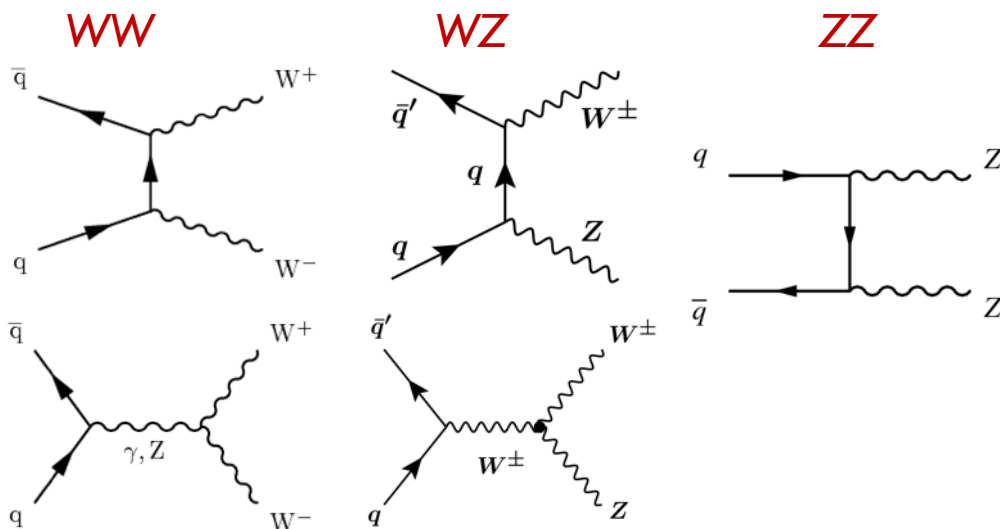


# Recent ATLAS multiboson measurements

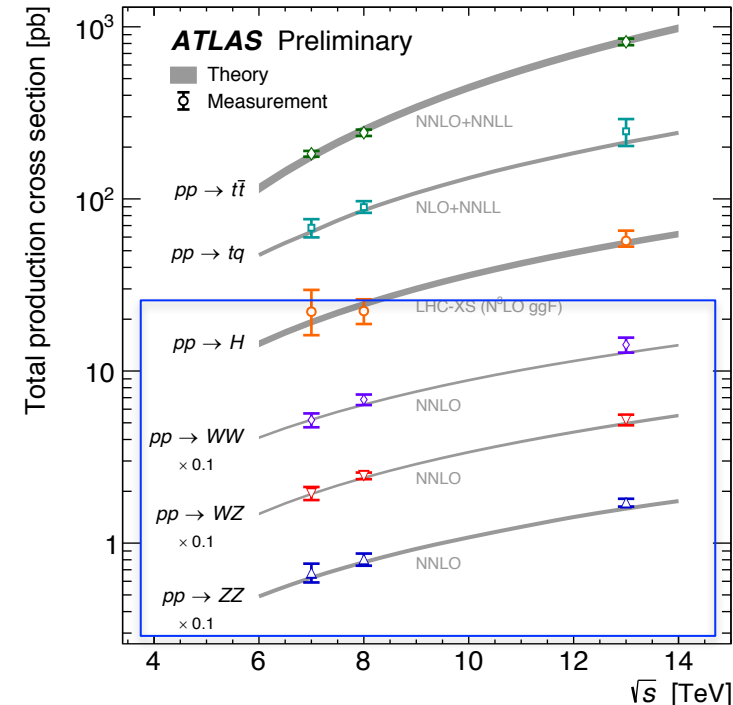
- Diboson Production
  - ZZ leptonic decay @ 13 TeV ([ATLAS-CONF-2017-031](#))
  - WZ leptonic decay @ 13 TeV ([ATLAS-CONF-2016-043](#), [Phys.Lett.B 762 \(2016\)1](#))
  - WW leptonic decay @ 13 TeV ([arXiv: 1702.04519](#))
  - WW/WZ semi-leptonic decay @ 8 TeV ([arXiv: 1706.01702](#))
- Vector Boson Scattering and triboson production
  - VBS  $Z\gamma jj$  production @ 8 TeV ([JHEP07\(2017\)107](#))
  - $WV\gamma$  production @ 8 TeV ([arXiv: 1707.05597](#))

# Diboson measurements

- WW, WZ and ZZ production
  - ZZ: smallest cross-section but clean  $4\ell$  signature : statistics dominant
  - WW: largest cross-section but difficult  $2\ell 2\nu$  final state: systematics dominant
  - WZ: nice balance
- First step are measurements of **full-leptonic** decay modes
  - 13 TeV results are published with all channels
- Then, analyses of **semi-leptonic** decay modes
  - More stat. gives us higher sensitivity to NP
  - 8 TeV result of WW/WZ production

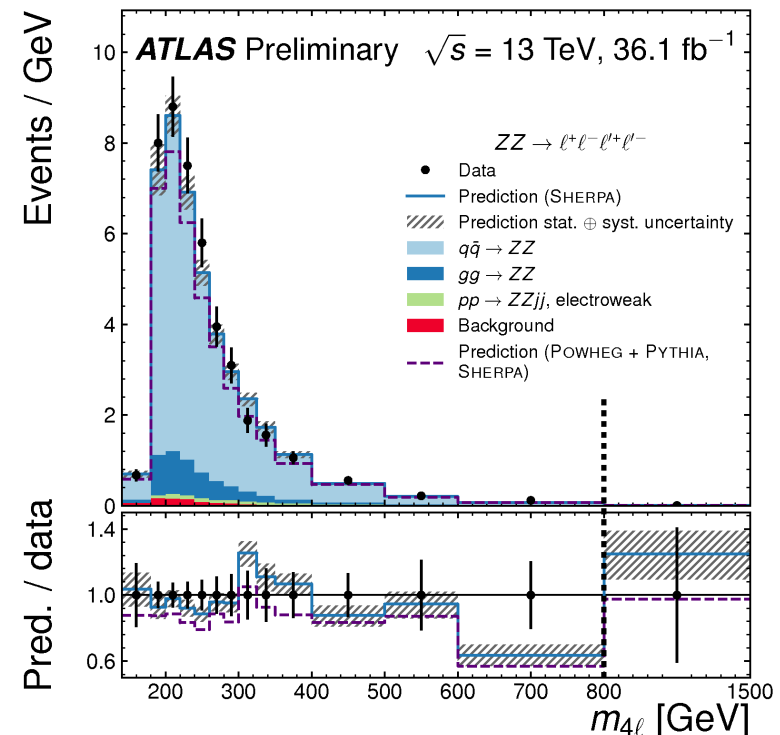
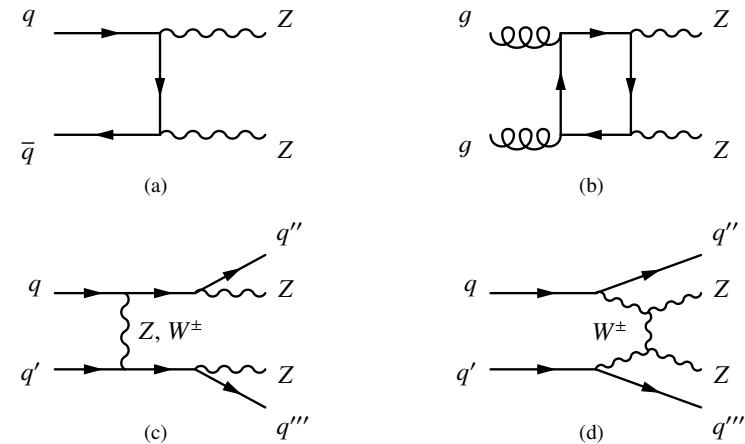


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# ZZ full-leptonic @ 13 TeV

- $ZZ \rightarrow l^+ l^- l'^+ l'^-$  signal (Nominal: Sherpa)
  - qq/gg processes are dominant
  - EW  $ZZjj$  (including VBS) is included
    - Also  $ZZV \rightarrow l^+ l^- l'^+ l'^- jj$  is included
- Compared two generators
  - **Powheg**: NLO ME calculation up to 1-jet
  - **Sherpa**: + LO ME calculation for 2, 3-jets
- 2 same-flavour opposite-sign e/ $\mu$  pairs
  - Only on-shell:  $66 < m_{ll} < 116$  GeV
  - Main background: fake-lepton
  - Main systematics: lepton ID

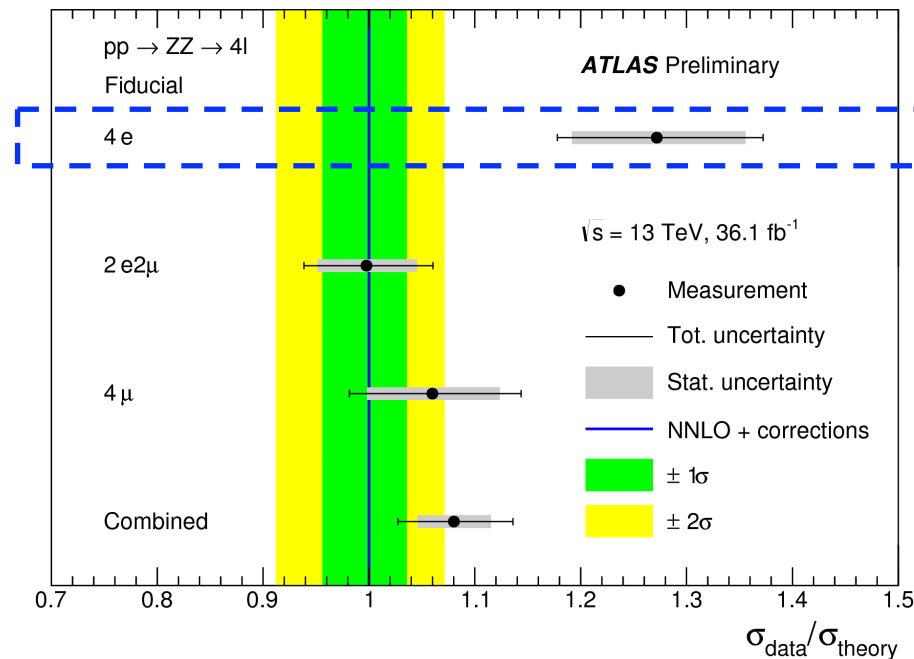


# ZZ full-leptonic @ 13 TeV

- Fiducial cross-section is measured with  $\sim 5\%$  uncertainty (combined)

Channel	Measurement [fb]	Prediction [fb]
$4e$	$13.8^{+1.1}_{-1.0} \left[ \pm 0.9 \text{ (stat.) } \pm 0.3 \text{ (syst.) } {}^{+0.5}_{-0.4} \text{ (lumi.)} \right]$	$10.9^{+0.5}_{-0.4}$
$2e2\mu$	$21.1^{+1.3}_{-1.2} \left[ \pm 1.0 \text{ (stat.) } {}^{+0.5}_{-0.4} \text{ (syst.) } {}^{+0.7}_{-0.6} \text{ (lumi.)} \right]$	$21.2^{+0.9}_{-0.8}$
$4\mu$	$11.5^{+0.9}_{-0.8} \left[ \pm 0.7 \text{ (stat.) } \pm 0.4 \text{ (syst.) } {}^{+0.4}_{-0.3} \text{ (lumi.)} \right]$	$10.9^{+0.5}_{-0.4}$
Combined	$46.4^{+2.4}_{-2.2} \left[ \pm 1.5 \text{ (stat.) } \pm 1.0 \text{ (syst.) } {}^{+1.5}_{-1.4} \text{ (lumi.)} \right]$	$42.9^{+1.9}_{-1.5}$

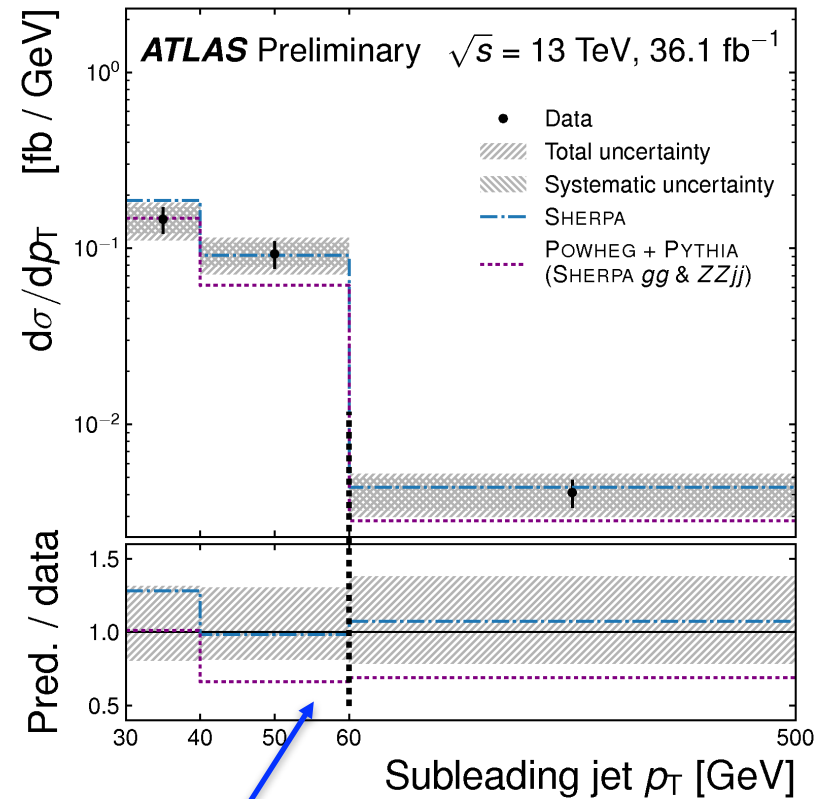
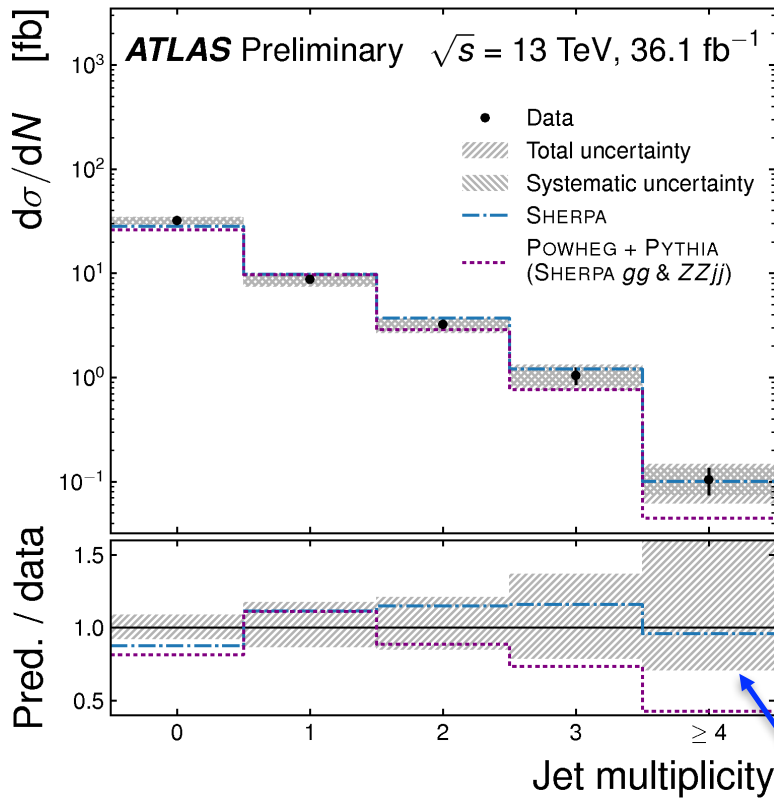
- Good agreement with MATRIX NNLO calculation
  - $2.7 \sigma$  tension in  $4e$  channel





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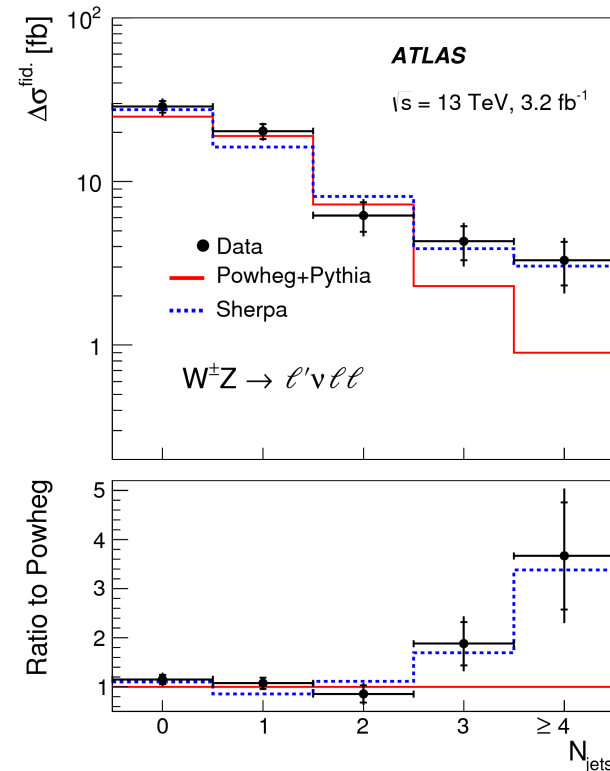
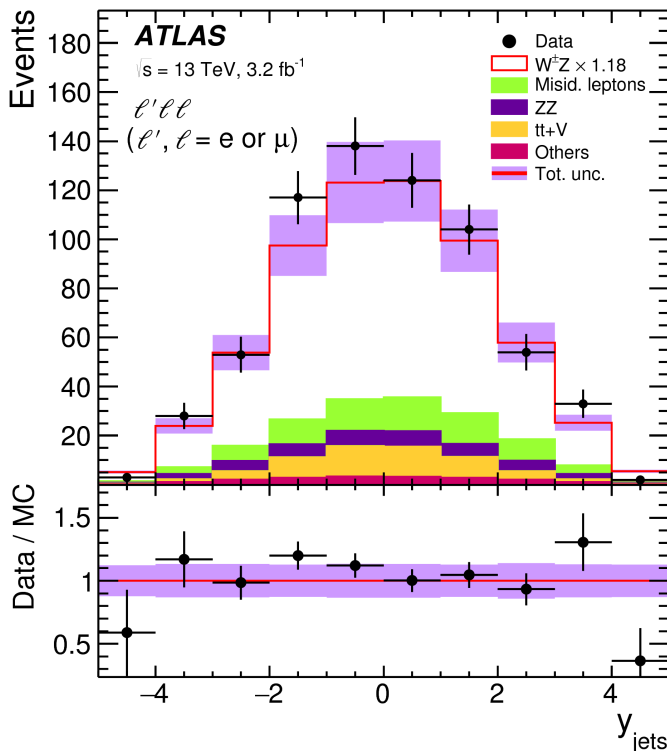
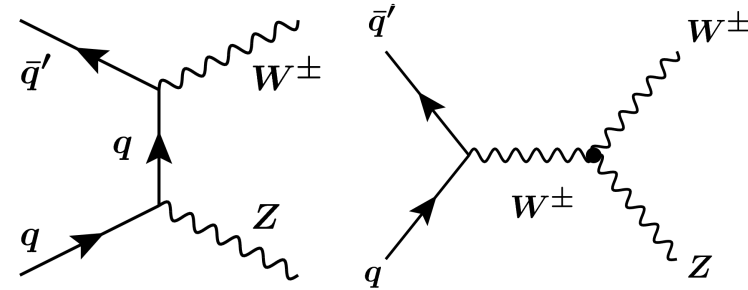
- 20 differential cross-sections are measured



Sherpa models better

# WZ full-leptonic @ 13 TeV

- $WZ \rightarrow \ell' \nu \ell^+ \ell^-$  signal (Nominal: Powheg+Pythia)
- Three high- $p_T$  e or  $\mu$ 
  - On-shell Z boson:  $|M_{||} - M_Z| < 10$  GeV
  - W boson selection:  $m_T^W > 30$  GeV
- Main background: mis-identified leptons
- Main systematics: Fake factor, lepton ID, luminosity

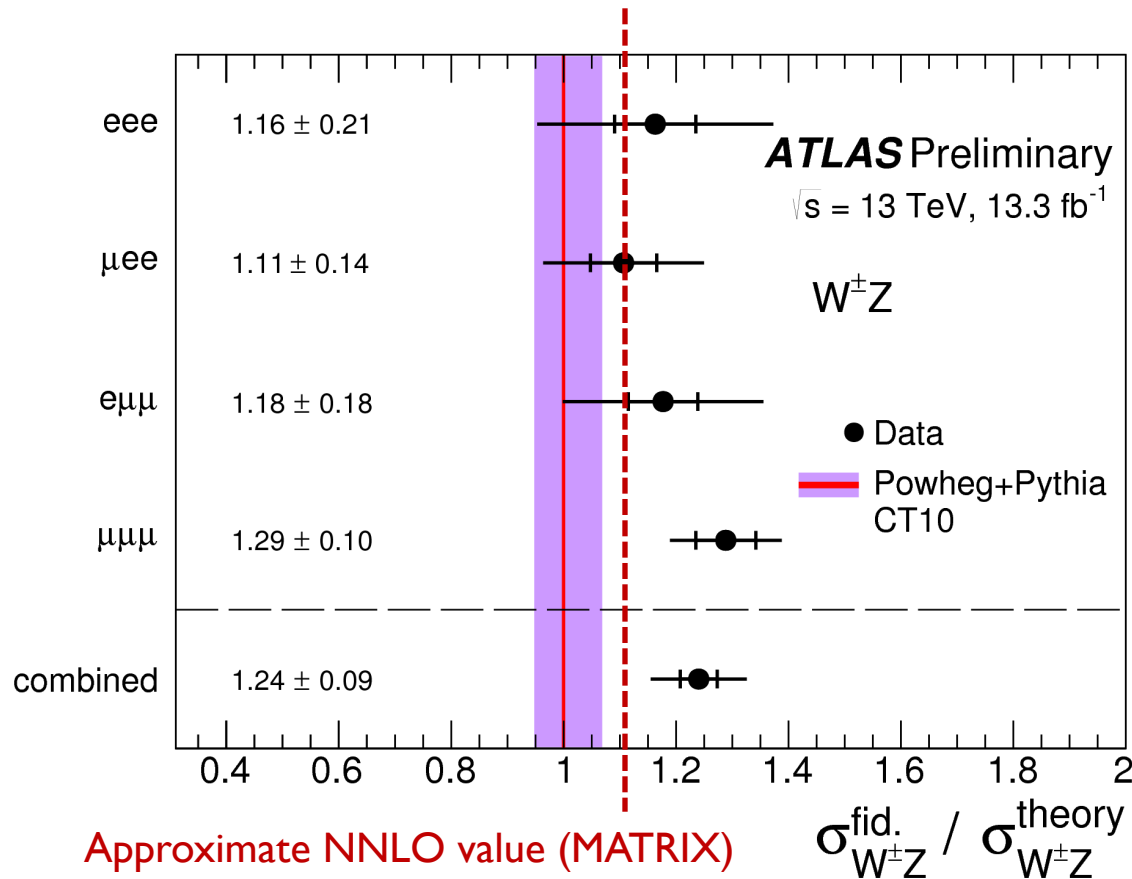


# WZ full-leptonic @ 13 TeV

- Fiducial cross-section measured with  $\sim 7\%$  uncertainty

$$\sigma_{W^{\pm}Z \rightarrow \ell' \nu \ell \ell}^{\text{fid.}} = 66.2 \pm 1.8 (\text{stat.}) \pm 3.6 (\text{sys.}) \pm 2.1 (\text{lumi.}) \text{ fb.}$$

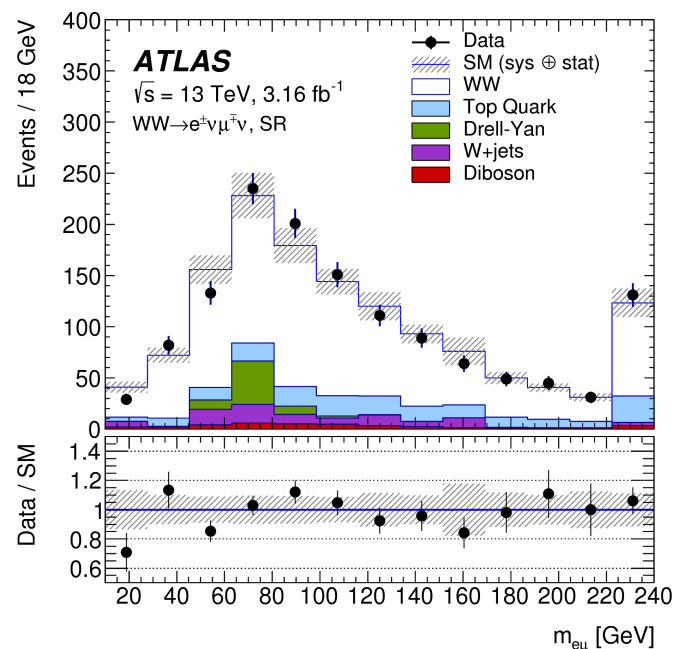
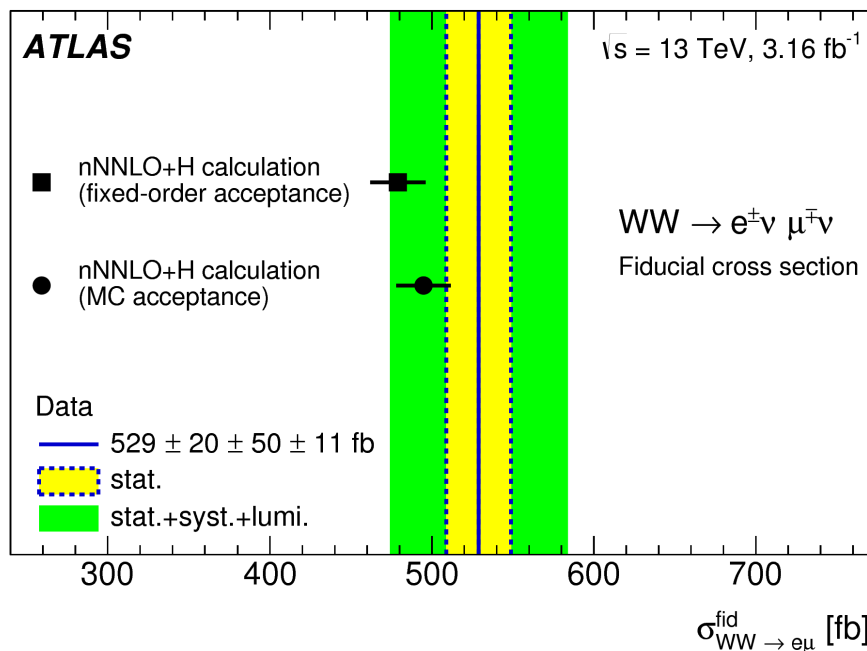
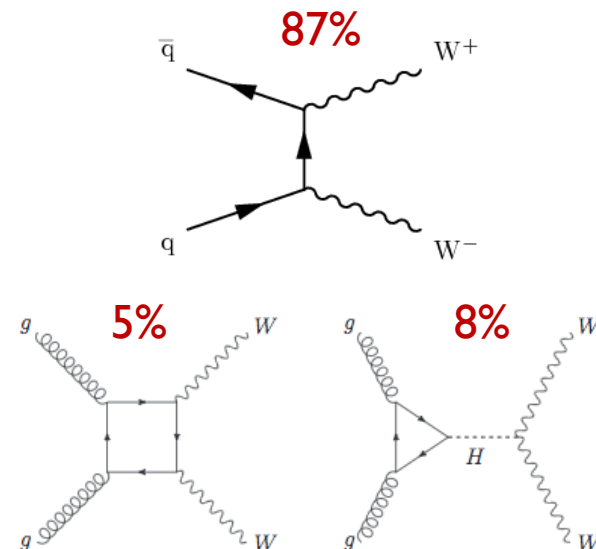
- Good agreement with Powheg+Pythia prediction
  - Even better with approximate scale factor of 1.11 to MATRIX NNLO



# WW full-leptonic @ 13 TeV

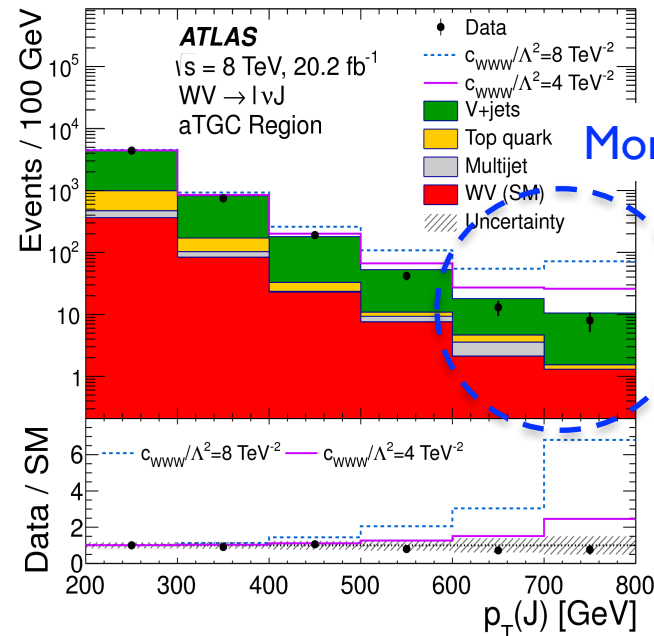
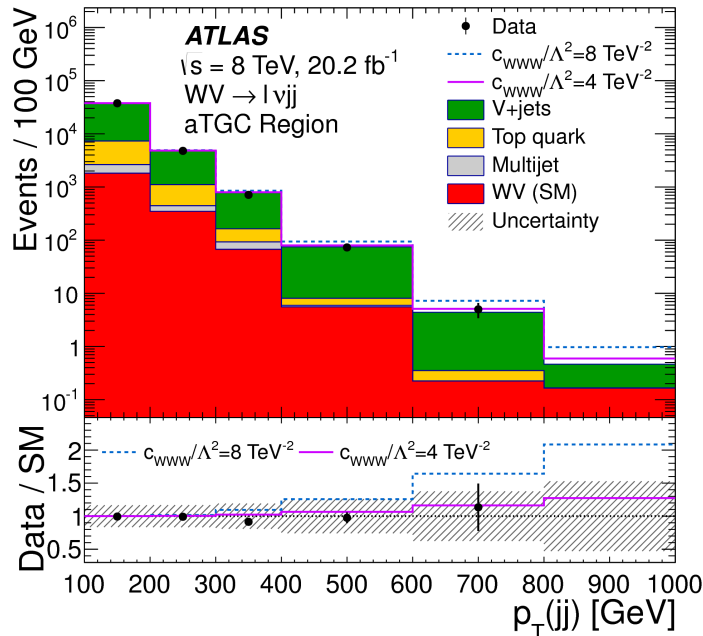
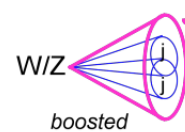
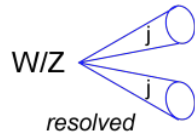
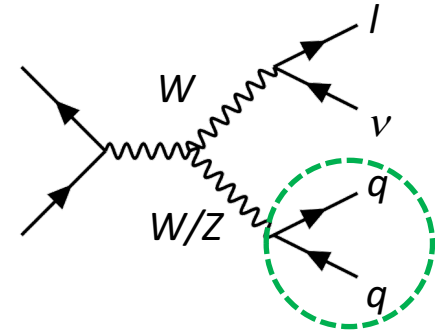
- $WW \rightarrow e\nu\mu\nu$  signal (nNNLO+H)
  - $qq \rightarrow WW$  (Powheg norm. to  $O(\alpha_S^2)$ )
  - $gg \rightarrow WW$  (Sherpa norm. to  $O(\alpha_S^3)$ )
  - $gg \rightarrow H \rightarrow WW$  (Powheg norm. to  $O(\alpha_S^3)$ )
- High- $p_T$   $e\mu$  pair with  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$  and no jet
  - Major systematics: Jet energy scale, fake factor
- Fiducial cross section measured with  $\sim 10\%$  uncert.

$$\sigma_{WW \rightarrow e\mu}^{\text{fid}} = 529 \pm 20 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 50 \text{ (syst.)} \pm 11 \text{ (lumi.) fb.}$$



# WZ/WW semi-leptonic @ 8 TeV

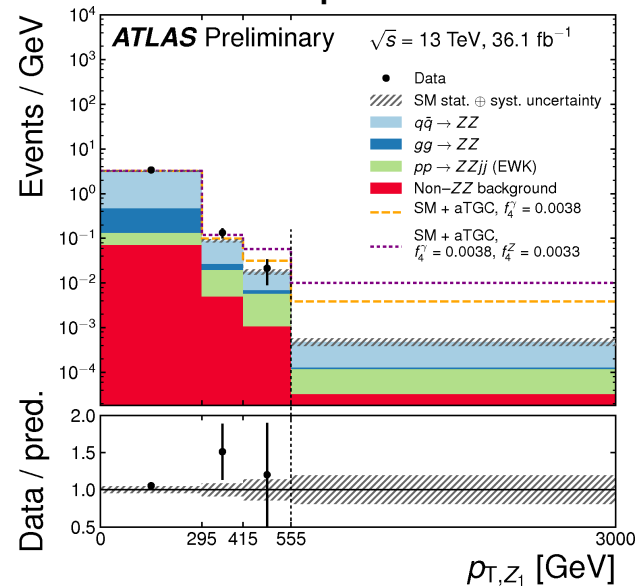
- Extend out sensitivity to NP
  - 6x BR than full-leptonic mode
  - Better kinematics reconstruction in WW
- Two jet reconstruction approaches
  - Resolved jet (lnjj): two jets with anti-kt (R=0.4)
  - Boosted jet (lnJ): one jet with anti-kt with R=1.0 and jet grooming



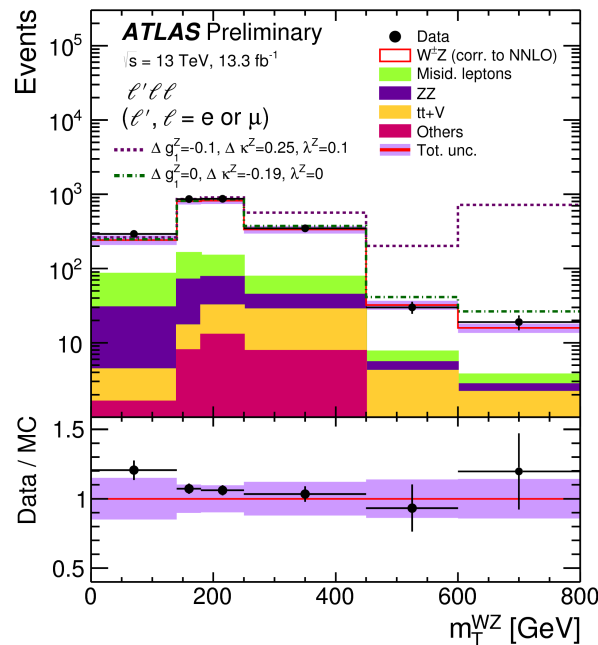
# aTGC search inputs

- Extract constraints on aTGC parameters in high  $\hat{s}$  regions

## ZZ leptonic

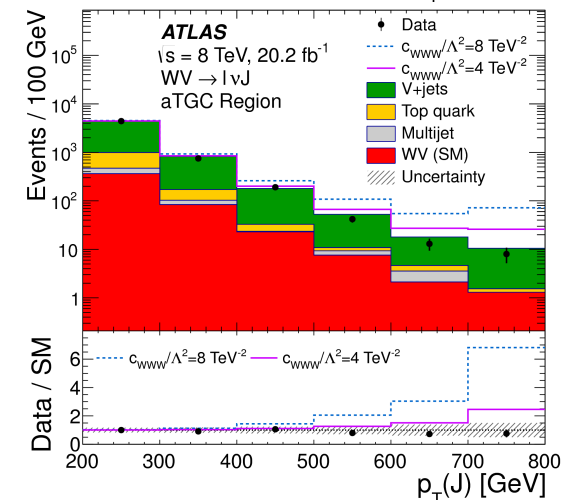
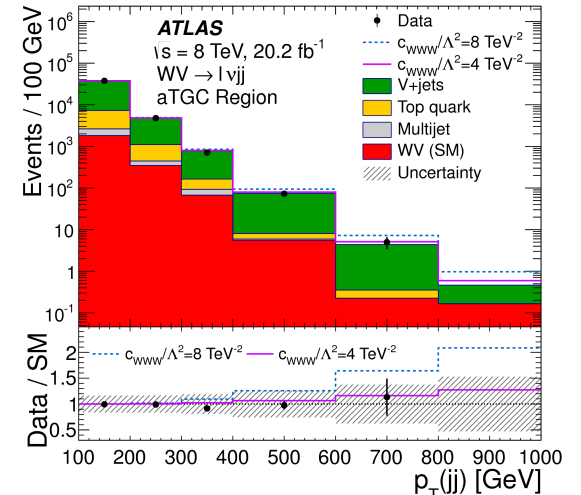


## WZ leptonic



$$m_T^{WZ} = \sqrt{\left( \sum_{\ell=1}^3 p_T^\ell + E_T^{\text{miss}} \right)^2 - \left[ \left( \sum_{\ell=1}^3 p_x^\ell + E_x^{\text{miss}} \right)^2 + \left( \sum_{\ell=1}^3 p_y^\ell + E_y^{\text{miss}} \right)^2 \right]}$$

## WW/WZ semi-leptonic



# aTGC constraints

- Results with effective Lagrangian approach are shown
  - Results with EFT approach are also available

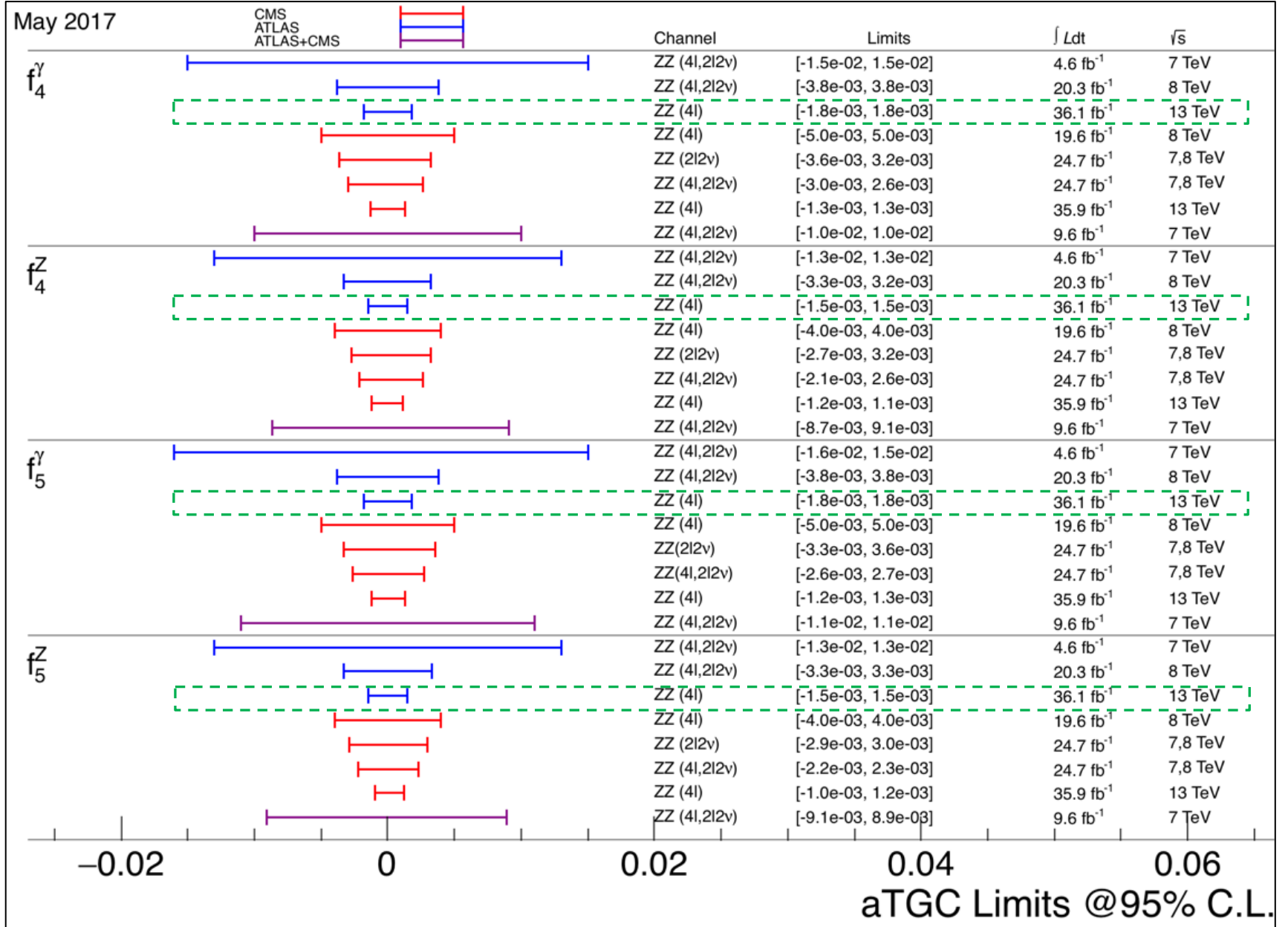
$$\mathcal{L}_{ZZV} = -\frac{e}{M_Z^2} \left( \textcircled{f_4^V} (\partial_\mu V^{\mu\beta}) Z_\alpha (\partial^\alpha Z_\beta) + \textcircled{f_5^V} (\partial^\sigma V_{\sigma\mu}) \tilde{Z}^{\mu\beta} Z_\beta \right)$$

$$\frac{\mathcal{L}_{WWV}}{g_{WWV}} = \textcircled{ig_1^V} (W_{\mu\nu}^+ W^\mu V^\nu - W_\mu^+ V_\nu W^{\mu\nu}) + \textcircled{i\kappa_V} W_\mu^+ W_\nu V^{\mu\nu} + \textcircled{i\lambda_V} \frac{1}{m_W^2} W_{\lambda\mu}^+ W_\nu^\mu V^{\nu\lambda}$$

$\textcircled{\phantom{x}} = 1$  in SM

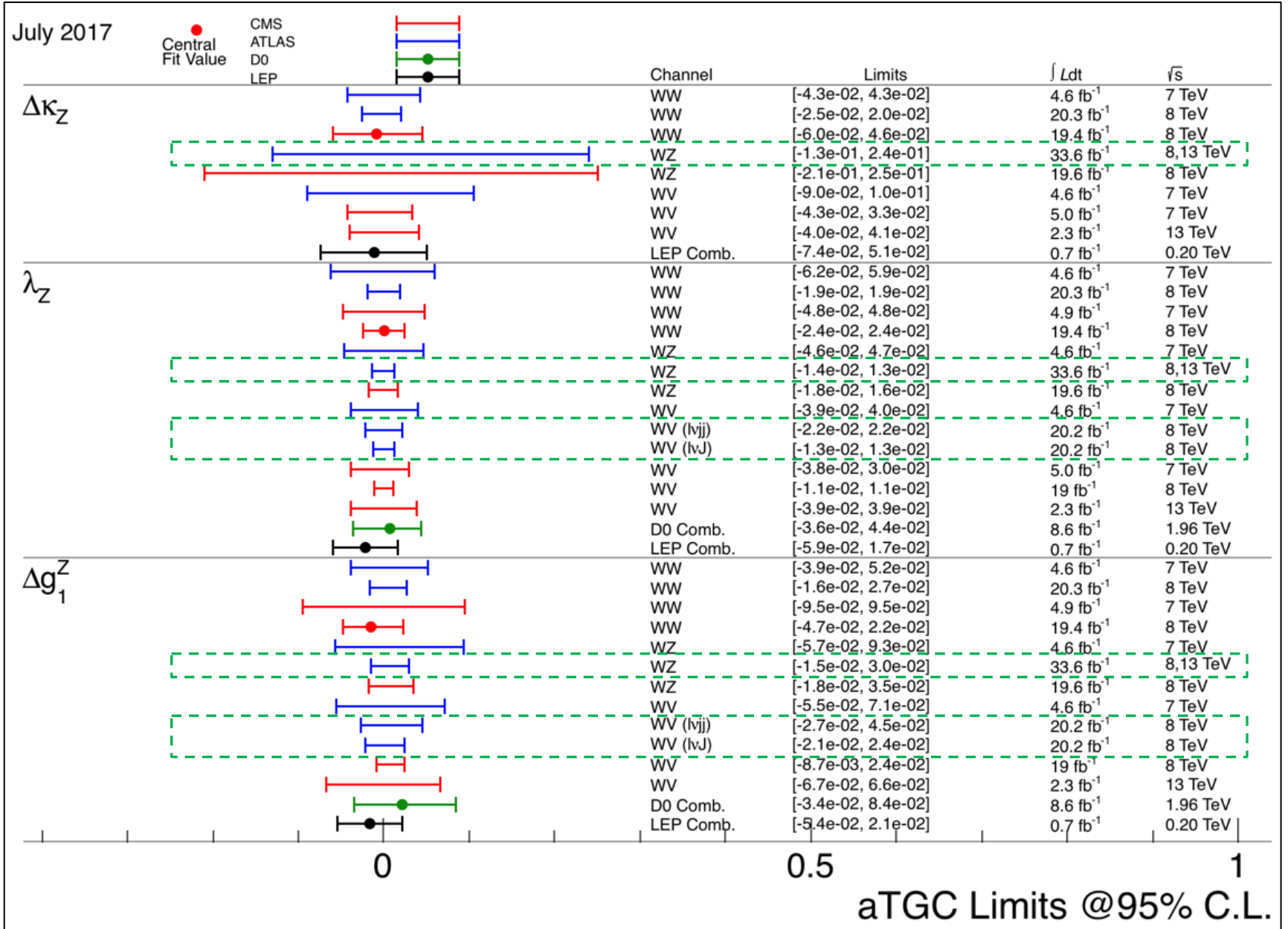
$\textcircled{\phantom{x}} = 0$  in SM

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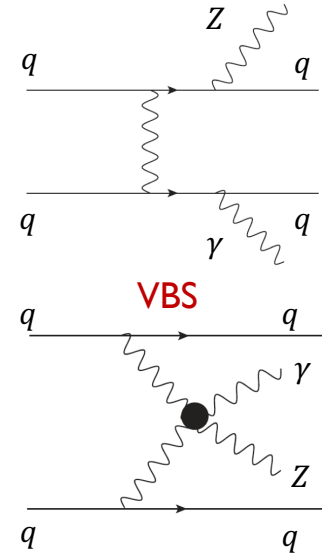
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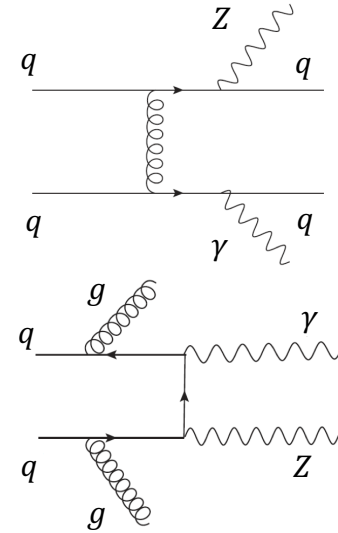
# $Z\gamma jj$ production @ 8 TeV

- EWK and QCD processes with Sherpa
- Clean  $\ell\ell\gamma jj$  channel for fiducial  $\sigma$ 
  - Same-flavour opposite-sign lepton pair
  - One isolated  $\gamma$
- EWK processes: energetic forward di-jet
  - $m_{jj}$  and  $\zeta^{Z\gamma}$  to separate from QCD bkg.

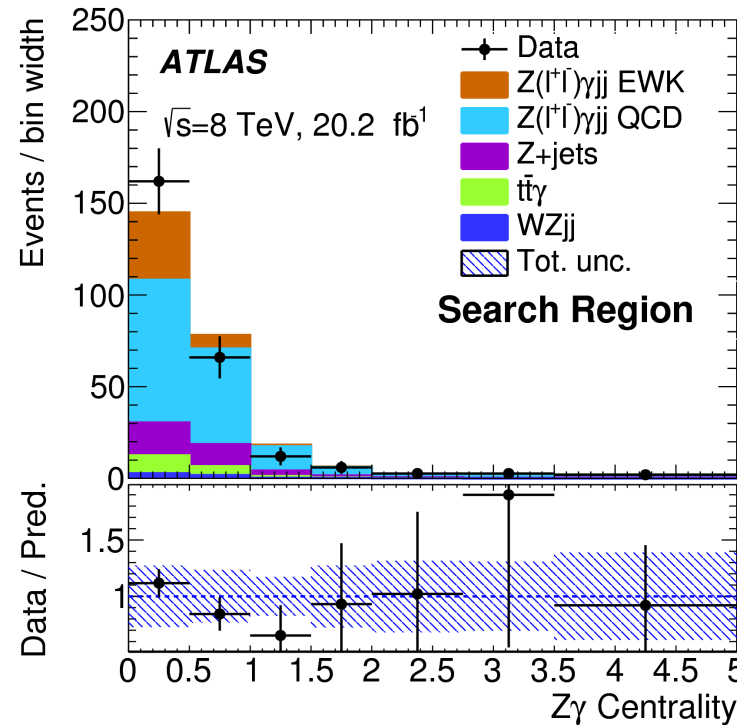
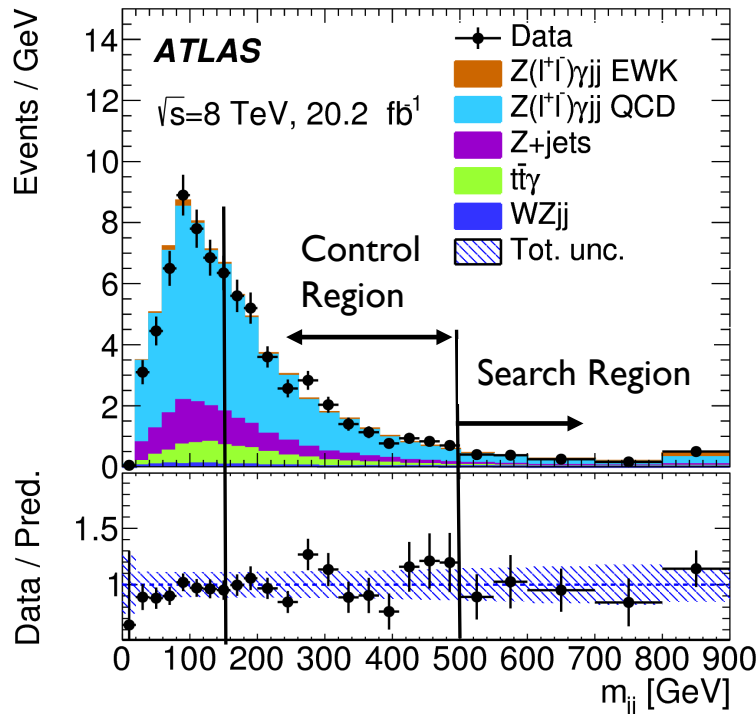
EW non-VBS



QCD backgrounds



gluon radiation



$$\zeta \equiv \left| \frac{\eta - \bar{\eta}_{jj}}{\Delta\eta_{jj}} \right|$$

$$\bar{\eta}_{jj} = \frac{\eta_{j1} + \eta_{j2}}{2}, \quad \Delta\eta_{jj} = \eta_{j1} - \eta_{j2}$$

# $Z\gamma jj$ production @ 8 TeV

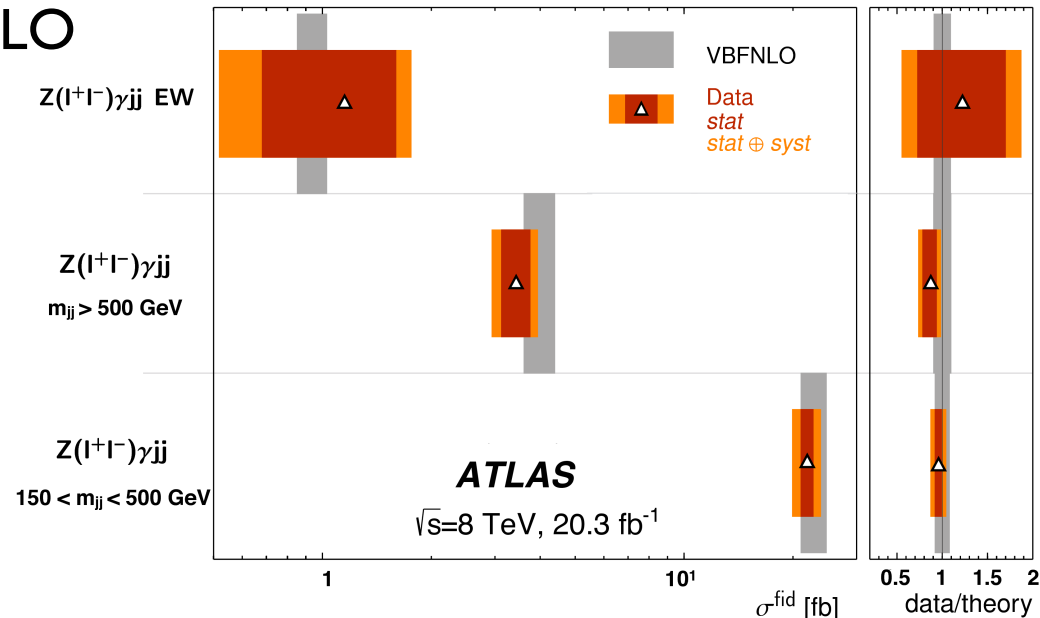
- Fiducial cross-section measured with  $\ell\ell\gamma jj$

2  $\sigma$  significance

Channel	Phase-space region	Process type	Measured cross-section [fb]	Predicted cross-section [fb]
$Z(\ell^+\ell^-)\gamma jj$	Search region	EWK	$1.1 \pm 0.5$ (stat) $\pm 0.4$ (syst)	$0.94 \pm 0.09$
$Z(\ell^+\ell^-)\gamma jj$	Search region	EWK+QCD	$3.4 \pm 0.3$ (stat) $\pm 0.4$ (syst)	$4.0 \pm 0.4$
$Z(\ell^+\ell^-)\gamma jj$	Control region	EWK+QCD	$21.9 \pm 0.9$ (stat) $\pm 1.8$ (syst)	$22.9 \pm 1.9$

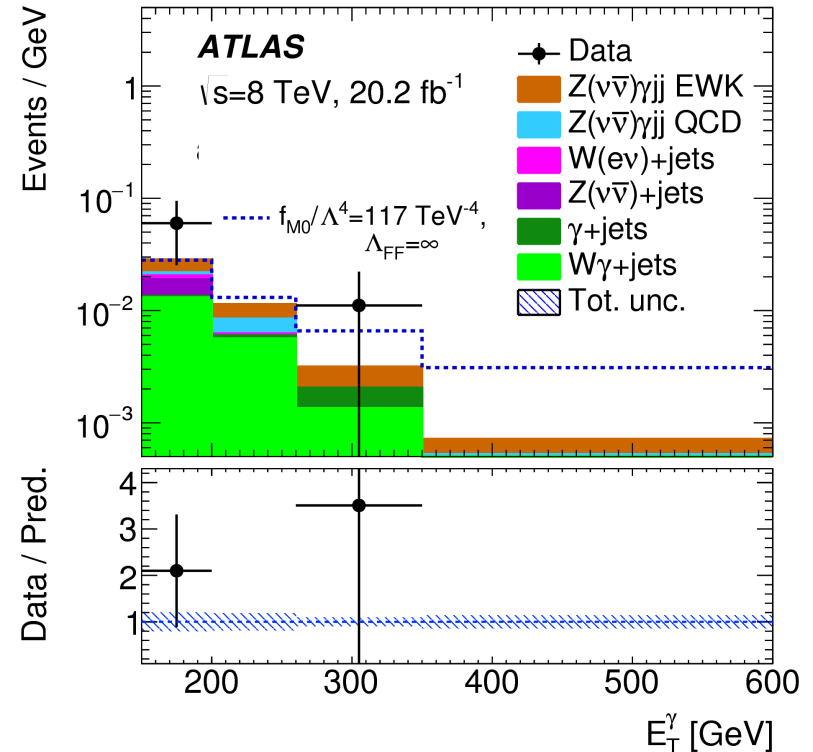
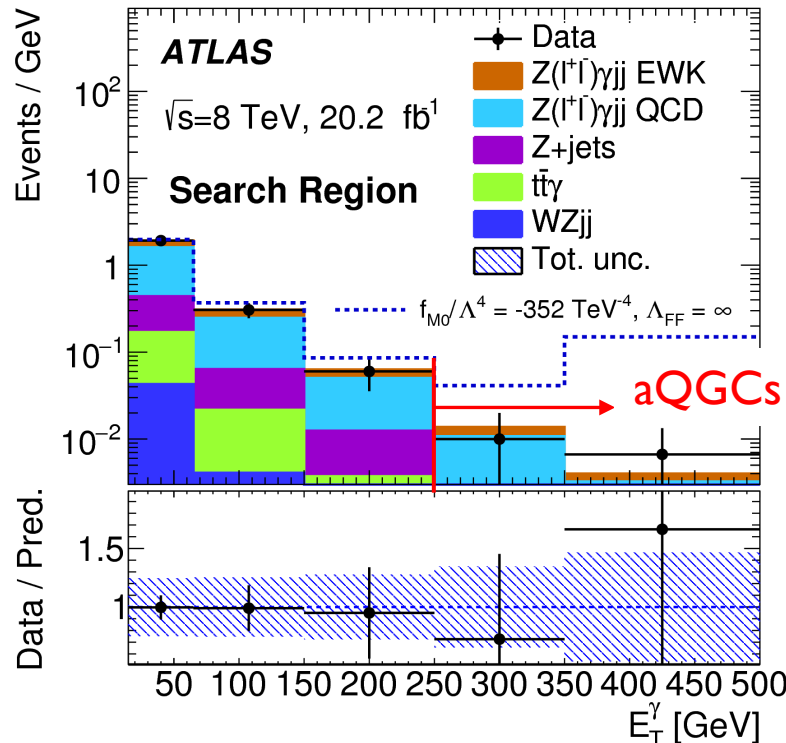
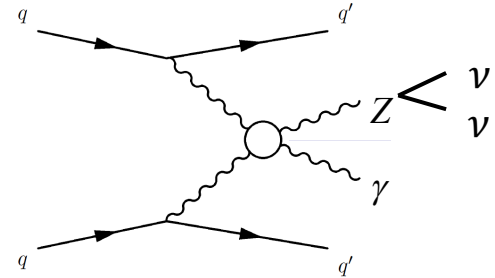
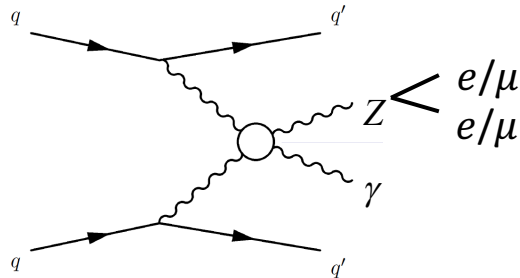
- Good agreement with VBFNLO

- Main uncertainties on  $\sigma_{EW}$ 
  - Statistical uncertainty: 40%
  - Jet energy scale: 36%
  - Sherpa modeling: 10%

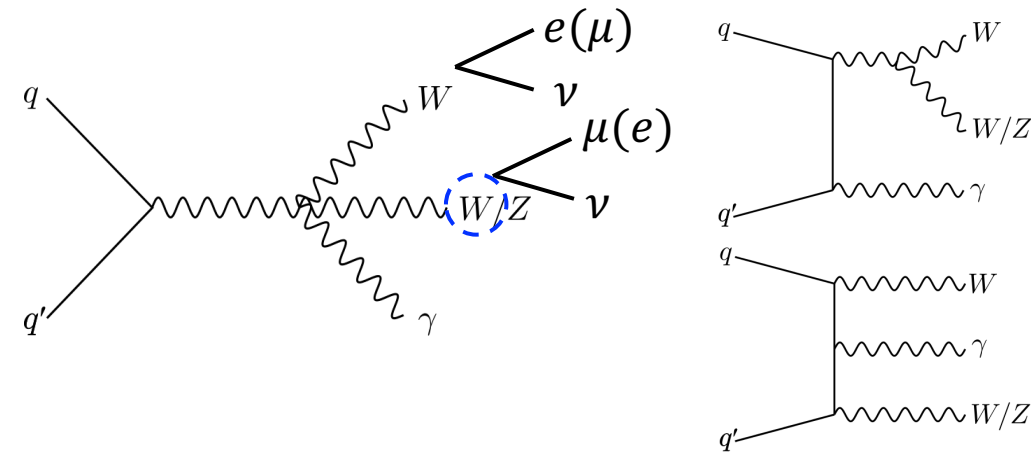


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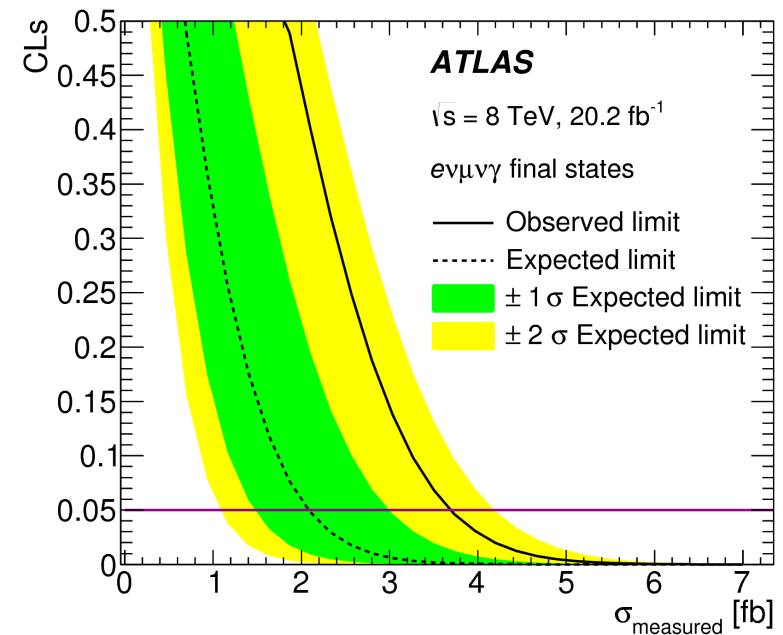
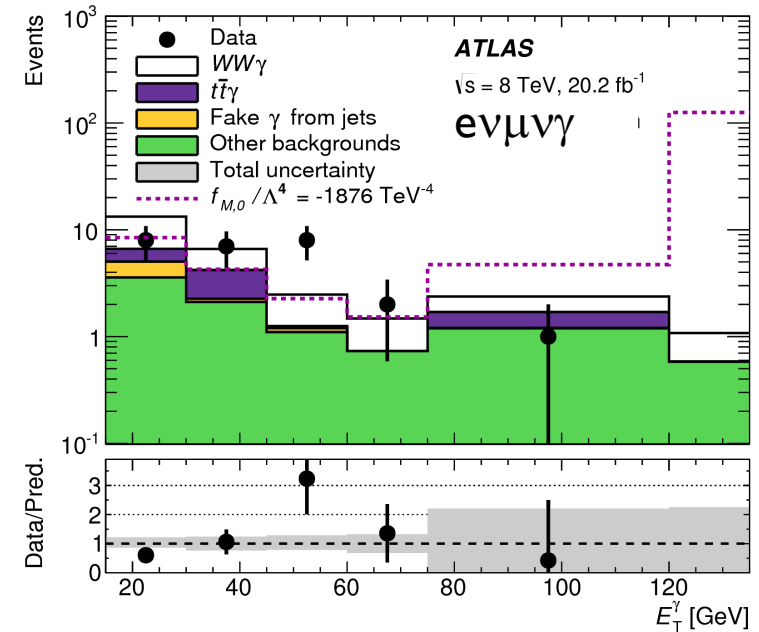
- $E_T^\gamma$  distributions to constrain aQGCs are obtained both in  $\ell\ell\gamma jj$  and  $\nu\nu\gamma jj$  samples



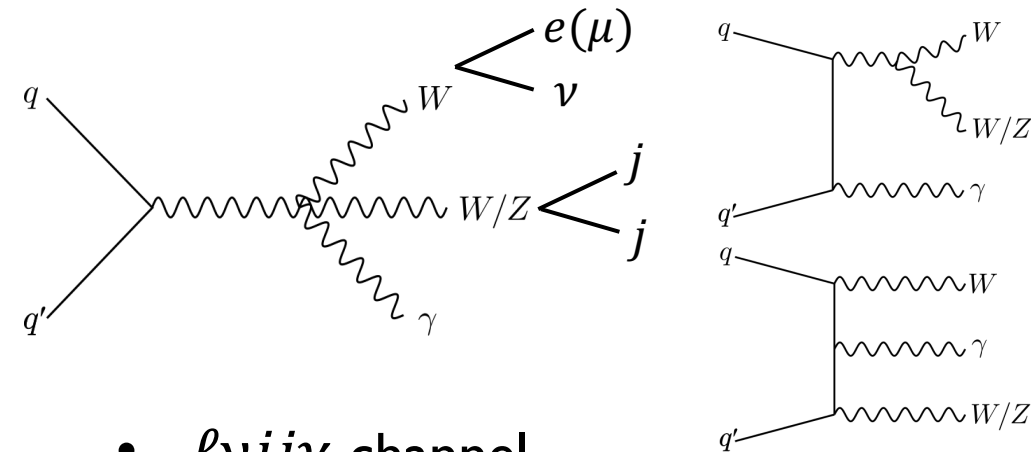
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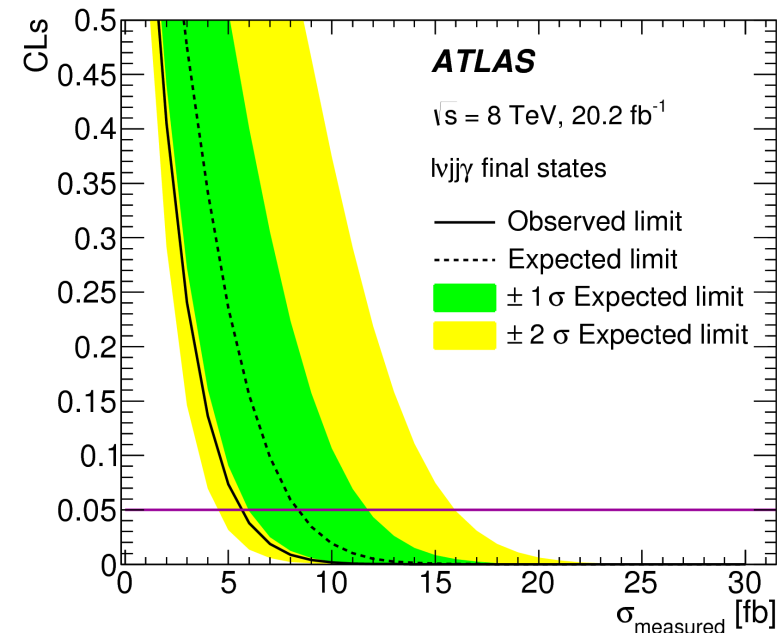
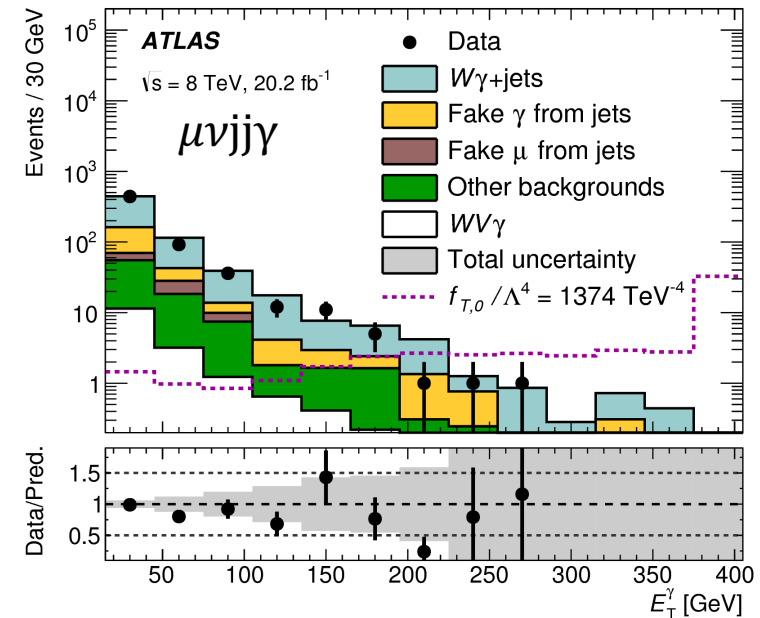
- Modelled with Sherpa (LO + 1 parton)
- $e\nu\mu\nu\gamma$  channel
  - Opposite-sign  $e\mu$  pair
  - One isolated  $\gamma$
  - $E_T^{\text{miss}}$  from neutrinos
  - Only  $N_{\text{jet}} = 0$  bin
- Fiducial cross section
  - $\sigma_{\text{fid}} = 1.5 \pm 0.9$  (stat.)  $\pm 0.5$  (syst.) fb
    - 1.4  $\sigma$  significance
    - 2.0 fb (theory: VBFNLO)
  - Observed limit (95% CL): 3.7 fb
    - $2.1^{+0.9}_{-0.6}$  fb (expected)



# $WV\gamma$ production @ 8 TeV



- $\ell\nu jj\gamma$  channel
  - One high- $p_T$   $e$  or  $\mu$
  - One isolated  $\gamma$
  - $E_T^{\text{miss}}$  from neutrinos
  - $\geq 2$  jet with  $70 < m_{jj} < 100$  GeV
- Fiducial cross section
  - Observed limit (95% CL): 6 fb
    - $8.4^{+3.4}_{-2.4}$  fb (expected: VBFNLO)
    - **Most stringent limit to date!**



# aQGC constraints

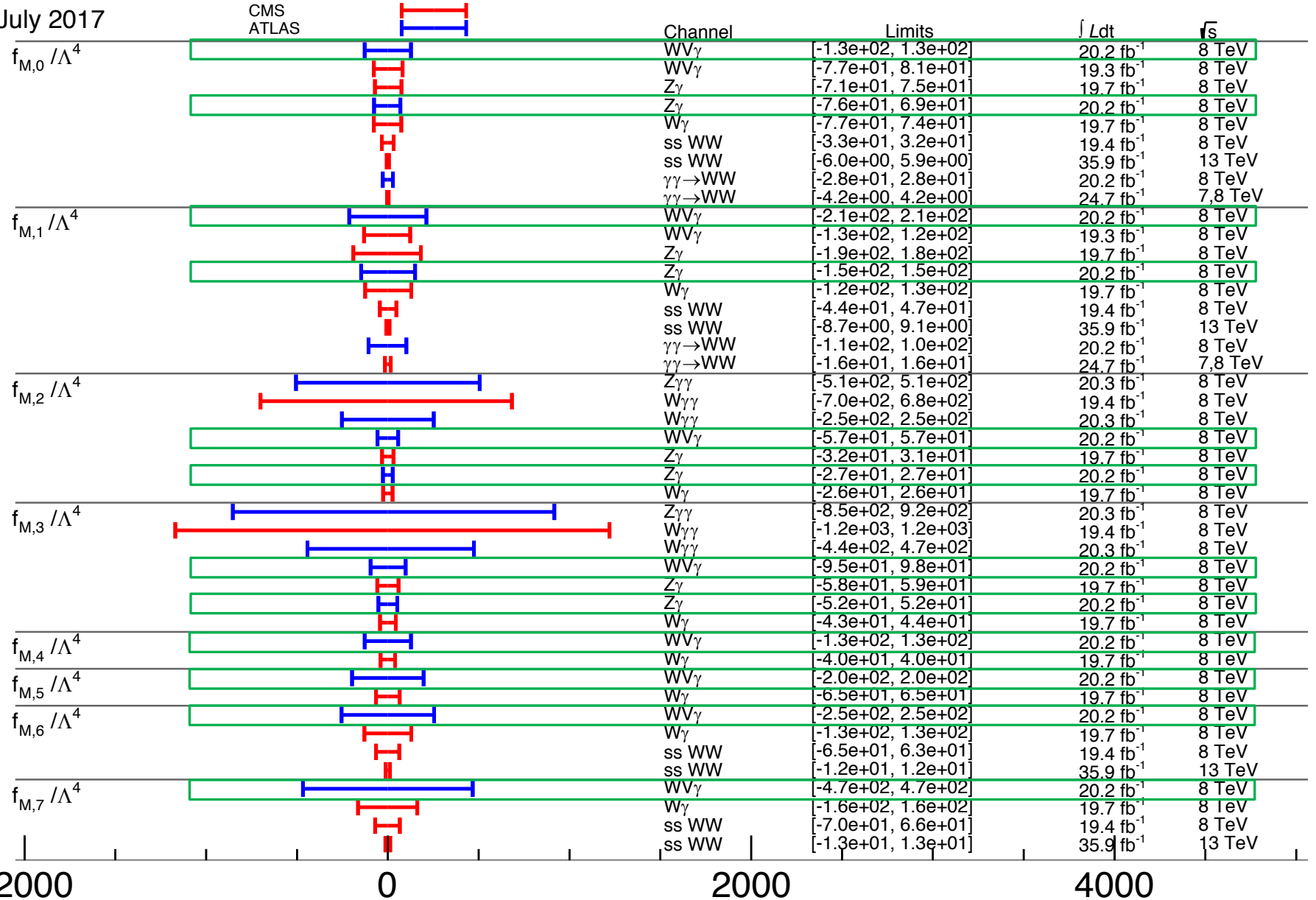
- 18 dim-8 aQGC parameters are assessed with an effective theory (Eboli *et al.*, Phys.Rev. D 74, 073005 (2006))

$$\mathcal{L}_{eff} = \mathcal{L}_{SM} + \sum_{j=0}^1 \frac{f_{S,j}}{\Lambda^4} \mathcal{O}_{S,j} + \sum_{j=0}^7 \frac{f_{M,j}}{\Lambda^4} \mathcal{O}_{M,j} + \sum_{j=0,1,2,5,6,7} \frac{f_{T,j}}{\Lambda^4} \mathcal{O}_{T,j}$$

3,4 and 6 vanished to  
respect gauge invariance

- $f_{S,j}$ : only cov. derivatives of Higgs field
- $f_{M,j}$ : only field strength tensors
- $f_{T,j}$ : field strength tensors and cov. derivatives of Higgs field

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ATLASaQGC Limits @95% C.L. [ $\text{TeV}^{-4}$ ]

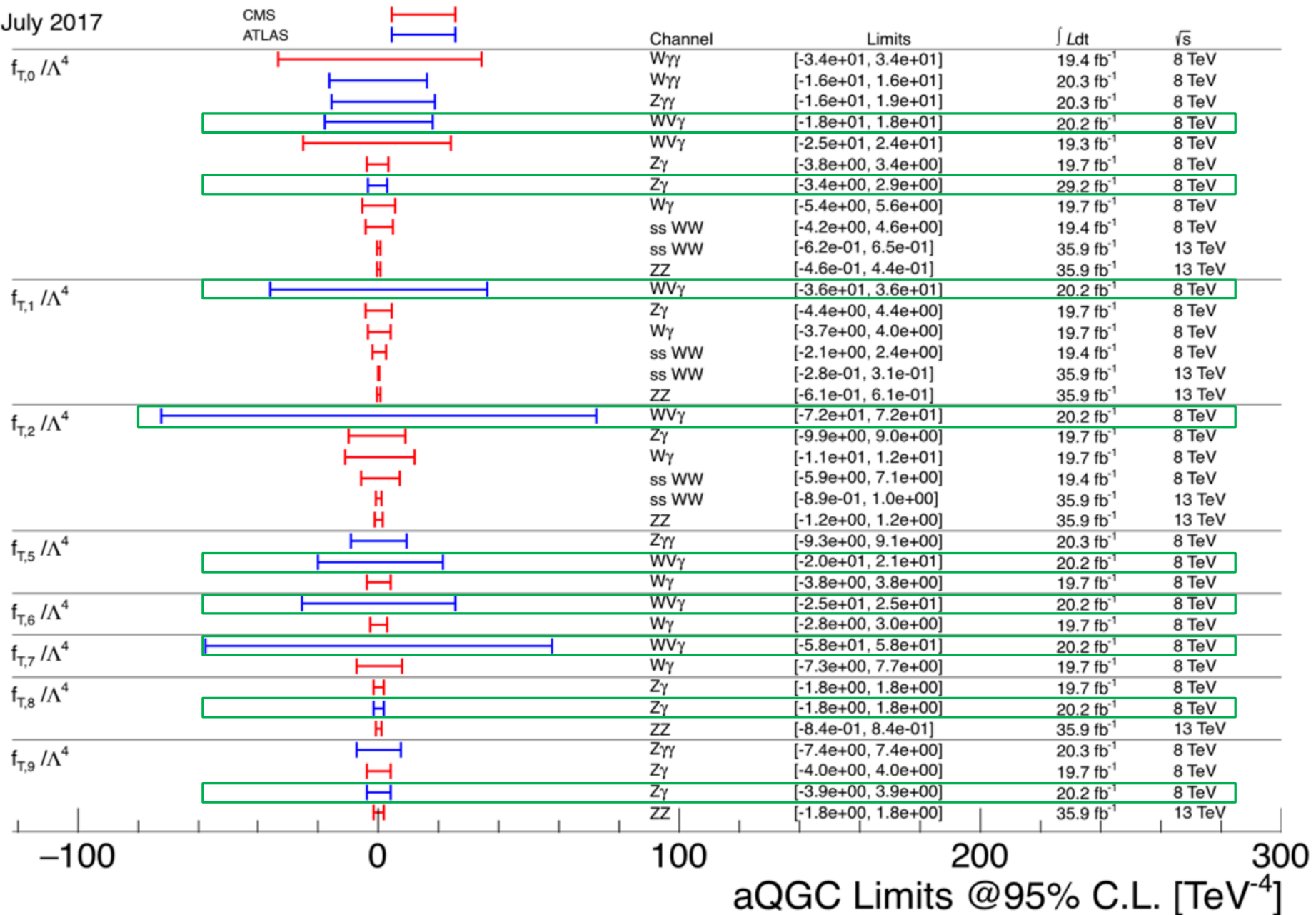


# aQGC constraints with $Z\gamma jj$ analysis

- Madgraph formalism with  $\Lambda_{\text{FF}} = \infty$

	Limits 95% CL	Measured [TeV <sup>-4</sup> ]	Expected [TeV <sup>-4</sup> ]
ATLAS $Z(\rightarrow \ell\bar{\ell}/\nu\bar{\nu})\gamma$ -EWK	$f_{T9}/\Lambda^4$	$[-3.9, 3.9]$	$[-2.7, 2.8]$
	$f_{T8}/\Lambda^4$	$[-1.8, 1.8]$	$[-1.3, 1.3]$
	$f_{T0}/\Lambda^4$	$[-3.4, 2.9]$	$[-3.0, 2.3]$
	$f_{M0}/\Lambda^4$	$[-76, 69]$	$[-66, 58]$
	$f_{M1}/\Lambda^4$	$[-147, 150]$	$[-123, 126]$
	$f_{M2}/\Lambda^4$	$[-27, 27]$	$[-23, 23]$
	$f_{M3}/\Lambda^4$	$[-52, 52]$	$[-43, 43]$
CMS $Z(\rightarrow \ell\bar{\ell})\gamma$ -EWK	$f_{T9}/\Lambda^4$	$[-4.0, 4.0]$	$[-6.0, 6.0]$
	$f_{T8}/\Lambda^4$	$[-1.8, 1.8]$	$[-2.7, 2.7]$
	$f_{T0}/\Lambda^4$	$[-3.8, 3.4]$	$[-5.1, 5.1]$
	$f_{M0}/\Lambda^4$	$[-71, 75]$	$[-109, 111]$
	$f_{M1}/\Lambda^4$	$[-190, 182]$	$[-281, 280]$
	$f_{M2}/\Lambda^4$	$[-32, 31]$	$[-47, 47]$
	$f_{M3}/\Lambda^4$	$[-58, 59]$	$[-87, 87]$
CMS $W(\rightarrow \ell\nu)\gamma$ -EWK	$f_{T0}/\Lambda^4$	$[-5.4, 5.6]$	$[-3.2, 3.4]$
	$f_{M0}/\Lambda^4$	$[-77, 74]$	$[-47, 44]$
	$f_{M1}/\Lambda^4$	$[-125, 129]$	$[-72, 79]$
	$f_{M2}/\Lambda^4$	$[-26, 26]$	$[-16, 15]$
	$f_{M3}/\Lambda^4$	$[-43, 44]$	$[-25, 27]$

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# Conclusions

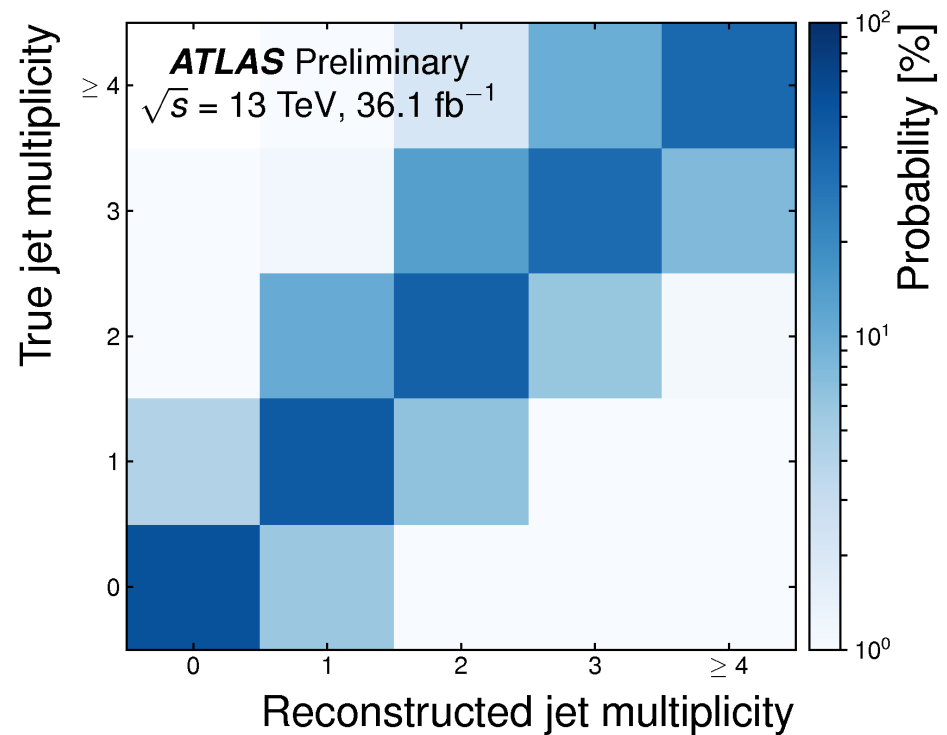
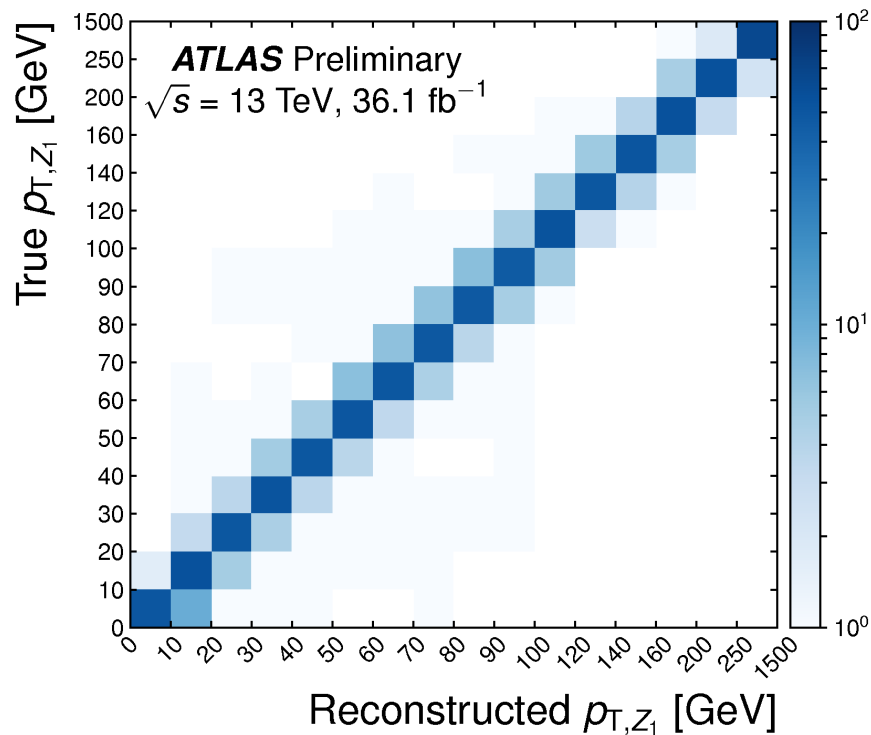
- Showcased the full ATLAS multiboson programme
- Diboson productions:
  - 13 TeV analysis for ZZ, WZ and WW with full-leptonic modes
    - Accurate validations of SM at NNLO with  $\leq 10\%$  precision
  - Adding sensitivity, in particular to aTGCs, with semileptonic modes
    - Developing new analysis technique (boosted jet reconstruction)
- Triboson productions and VBS:
  - ATLAS has more  $> 3.0 \sigma$  evidence
    - SM VBS ssWW ([Phys. Rev. D 96, 012007](#))
    - Exclusive  $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow WW$  ([Phys.Rev.D 94, 032011\(2016\)](#))
    - Triboson  $W\gamma\gamma$  ([Phys.Rev.Lett. 115 \(2015\) 3, 031802](#))
  - ATLAS measurements started setting stringent constraints on aQGCs
- No evidence for the BSM physics yet
  - Continue setting ever more stringent constraints on aTGCs/ aQGCs

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# ZZ full-leptonic @ 13 TeV

- $R_{ij}$  are defined as the probability of an event in true bin  $j$  being observed with the detector in bin  $i$

$$m_i = R_{ij} t_j.$$



# WW full-leptonic @ 13 TeV

$pp \rightarrow WW$ sub-process	Order of $\alpha_s$	$\sigma_{WW}^{\text{tot}}$ [pb]	$A$ [%]	$\sigma_{WW \rightarrow e\mu}^{\text{fid}}$ [fb]
$q\bar{q}$ [9,13]	$\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^2)$	$111.1 \pm 2.8$	$16.20 \pm 0.13$	$422 \begin{smallmatrix} +12 \\ -11 \end{smallmatrix}$
$gg$ (non-resonant) [33]	$\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^3)$	$6.82 \begin{smallmatrix} +0.42 \\ -0.55 \end{smallmatrix}$	$28.1 \begin{smallmatrix} +2.7 \\ -2.3 \end{smallmatrix}$	$44.9 \pm 7.2$
$gg \rightarrow H \rightarrow WW$ [67][30]	$\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^5)$ tot. / $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^3)$ fid.	$10.45 \begin{smallmatrix} +0.61 \\ -0.79 \end{smallmatrix}$	$4.5 \pm 0.6$	$11.0 \pm 2.1$
$q\bar{q} + gg$ (non-resonant) + $gg \rightarrow H \rightarrow WW$	nNNLO+H	$128.4 \begin{smallmatrix} +3.5 \\ -3.8 \end{smallmatrix}$	$15.87 \begin{smallmatrix} +0.17 \\ -0.14 \end{smallmatrix}$	$478 \pm 17$