

# ATLAS Search for Dark Matter Produced in Association with a Hadronically Decaying Vector Boson

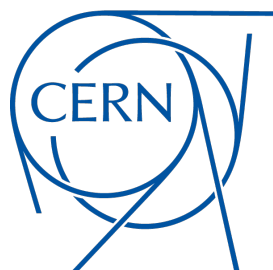
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# Introduction

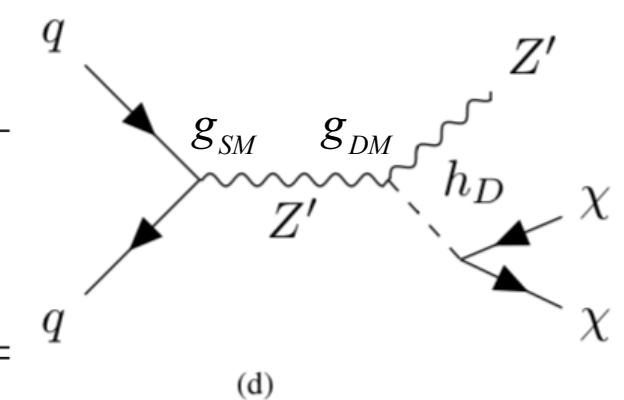
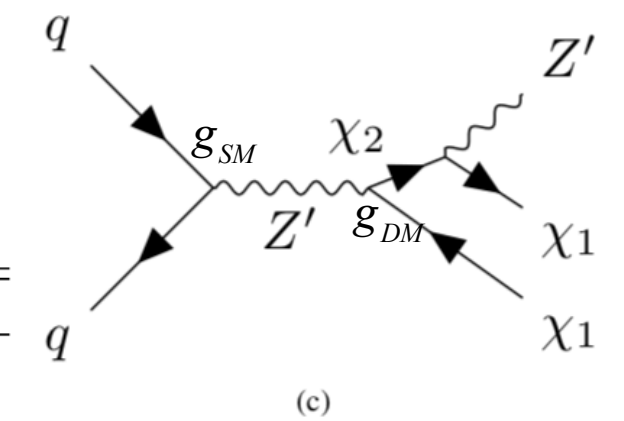
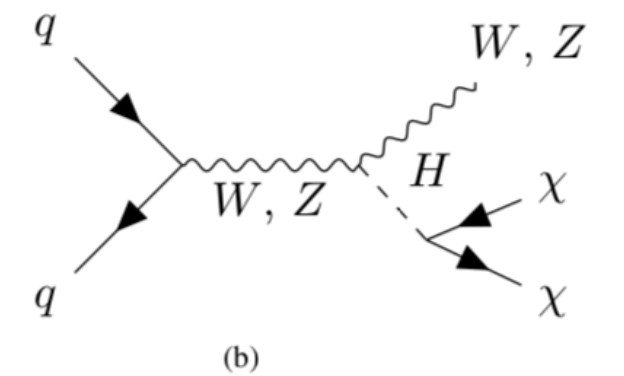
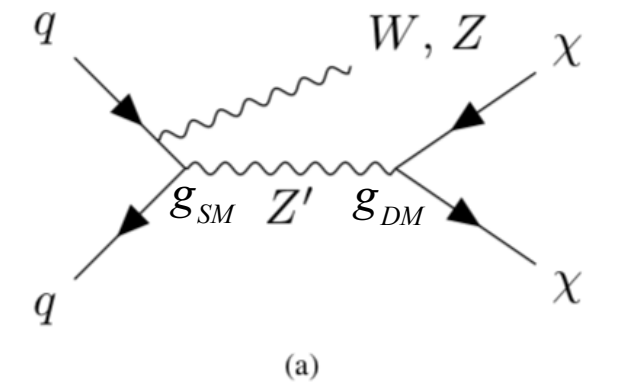
See talk from Mario Martinez:  
Overview of DM searches in ATLAS

- \* Weakly interacting massive particles (WIMPs)
  - \* can be produced in LHC
  - \* can be detected by the momentum imbalance of the recoiling SM particles
- \* Search for dark matter in events with a large missing transverse momentum (MET) and a vector boson, decaying hadronically, in ATLAS detector at LHC
  - \* DM production in associated with a W/Z boson (mono-V analysis)
  - \* SM-like Higgs boson decaying into a pair of DM particles (H->invisible analysis)
  - \* DM production in associated with a potentially new vector boson  $Z'$  (mono- $Z'$  analysis, **first time!**)
- \* Latest result performed with  $36.1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  of collision data at centre-of-mass energy of 13 TeV collected by ATLAS detector
  - \* published on April 2018 [ATLAS-CONF-2018-005](#)

# Signal models

- \* simplified vector-mediator model (mono-V), figure (a)
  - \* mass  $m_\chi$  {1 GeV, 1 TeV},  $m_{Z'}$  {10 GeV, 10 TeV}
  - \* coupling  $g_{SM} = 0.25$ ,  $g_{DM} = 1.0$
- \* invisible Higgs boson decays (H->invisible), figure (b)
  - \*  $B_{H \rightarrow \text{invisible}} = 1.0$
  - \* all SM production modes considered
- \* dark-fermion model and dark-Higgs model (mono- $Z'$ ), figure (c) (d)
  - \*  $m_{Z'}$  {50 GeV, 500 GeV},  $g_{SM} = 0.1$ ,  $g_{DM} = 1.0$

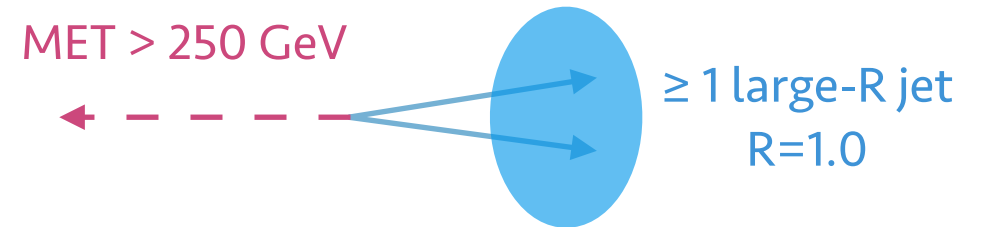
Scenario	Dark-fermion model	Dark-Higgs model
	$m_{\chi_1} = 5 \text{ GeV}$	$m_\chi = 5 \text{ GeV}$
Light dark sector	$m_{\chi_2} = m_{\chi_1} + m_{Z'} + 25 \text{ GeV}$	$m_{h_D} = \begin{cases} m_{Z'} & , m_{Z'} < 125 \text{ GeV} \\ 125 \text{ GeV} & , m_{Z'} > 125 \text{ GeV} \end{cases}$
	$m_{\chi_1} = m_{Z'}/2$	$m_\chi = 5 \text{ GeV}$
Heavy dark sector	$m_{\chi_2} = 2m_{Z'}$	$m_{h_D} = \begin{cases} 125 \text{ GeV} & , m_{Z'} < 125 \text{ GeV} \\ m_{Z'} & , m_{Z'} > 125 \text{ GeV} \end{cases}$



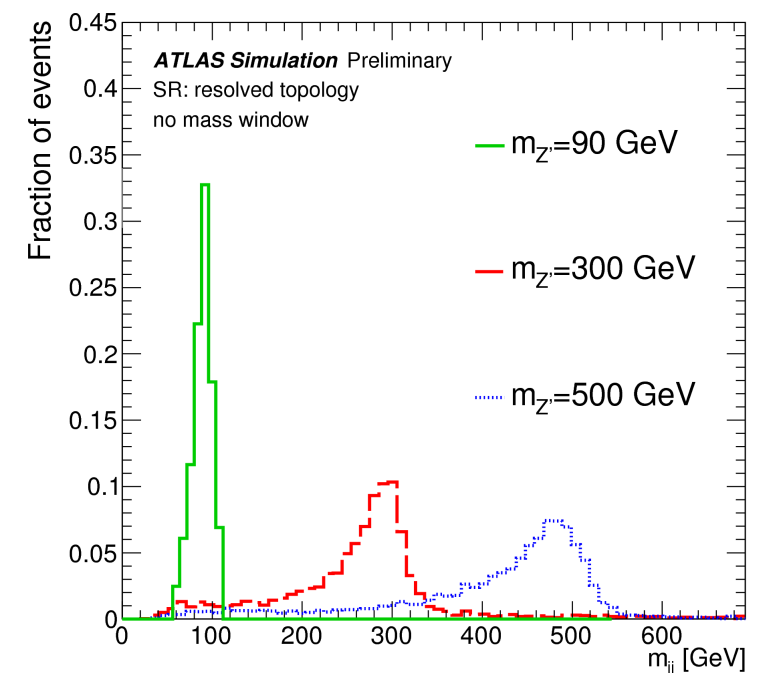
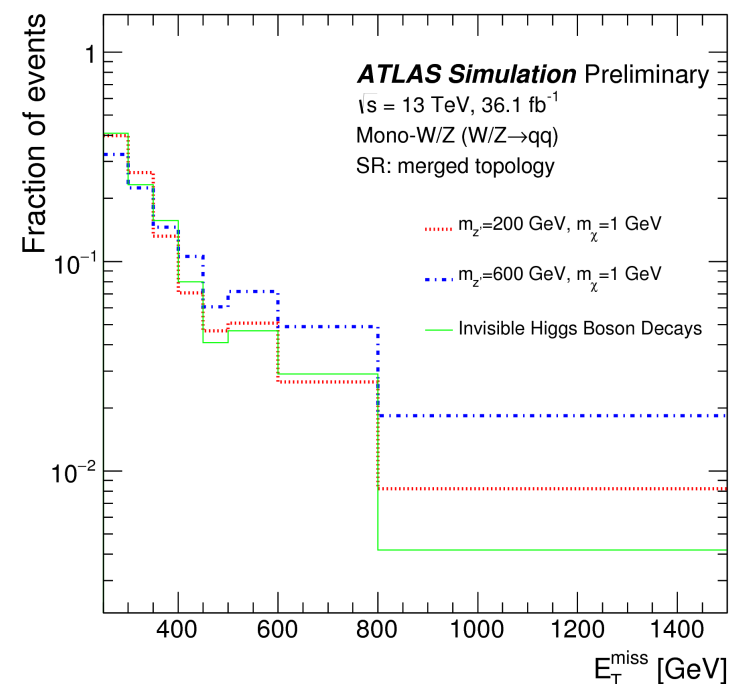
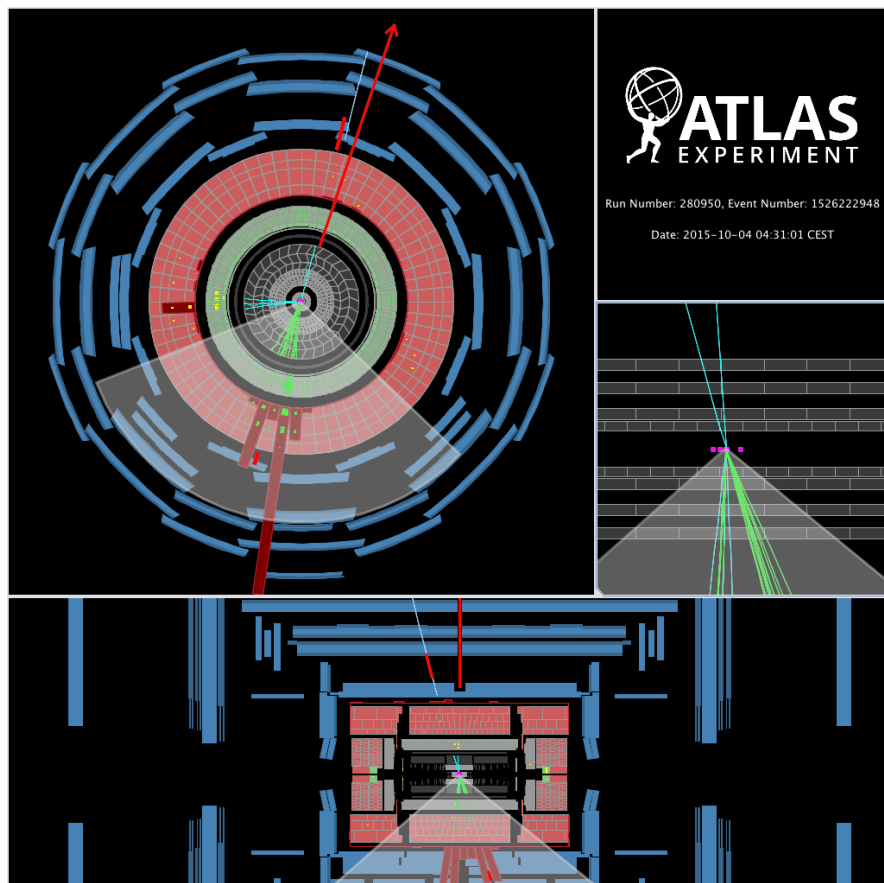
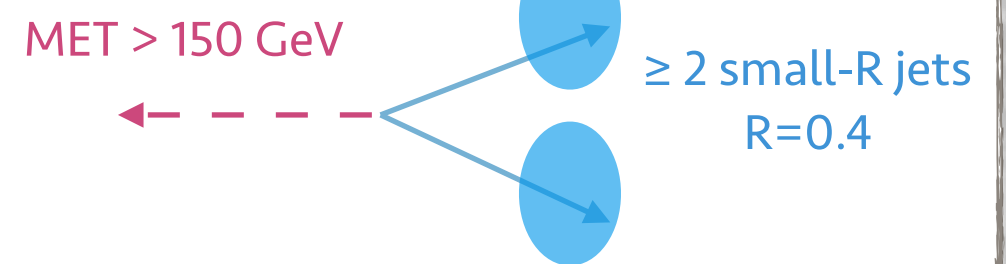
# Event selection

- \* at least one large-R jet or two small-R jets
- \* MET above 250 GeV (150 GeV)
- \* Lepton veto
- \* Vector boson mass window
- \* Events categorised into 0/1/2 b-jet region

Merged topology



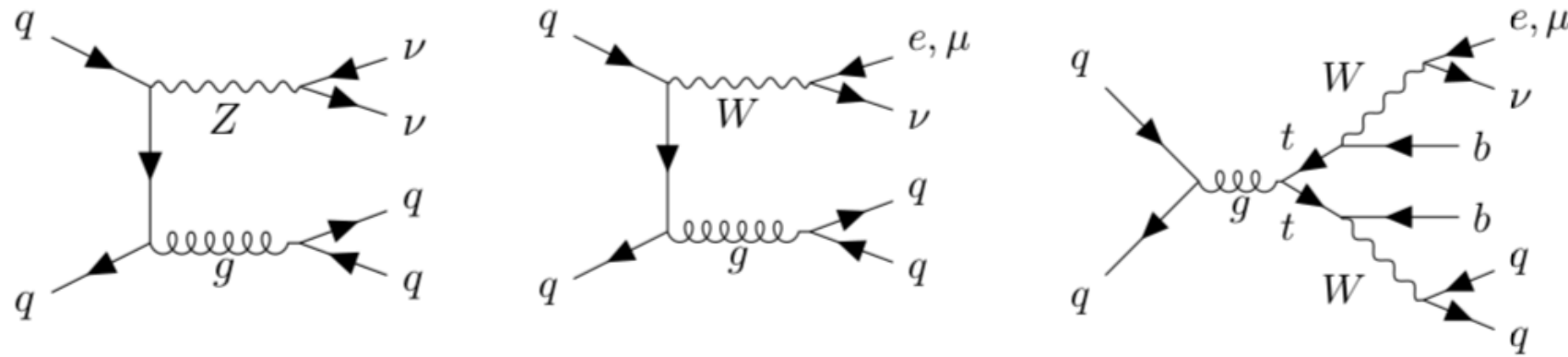
Resolved topology



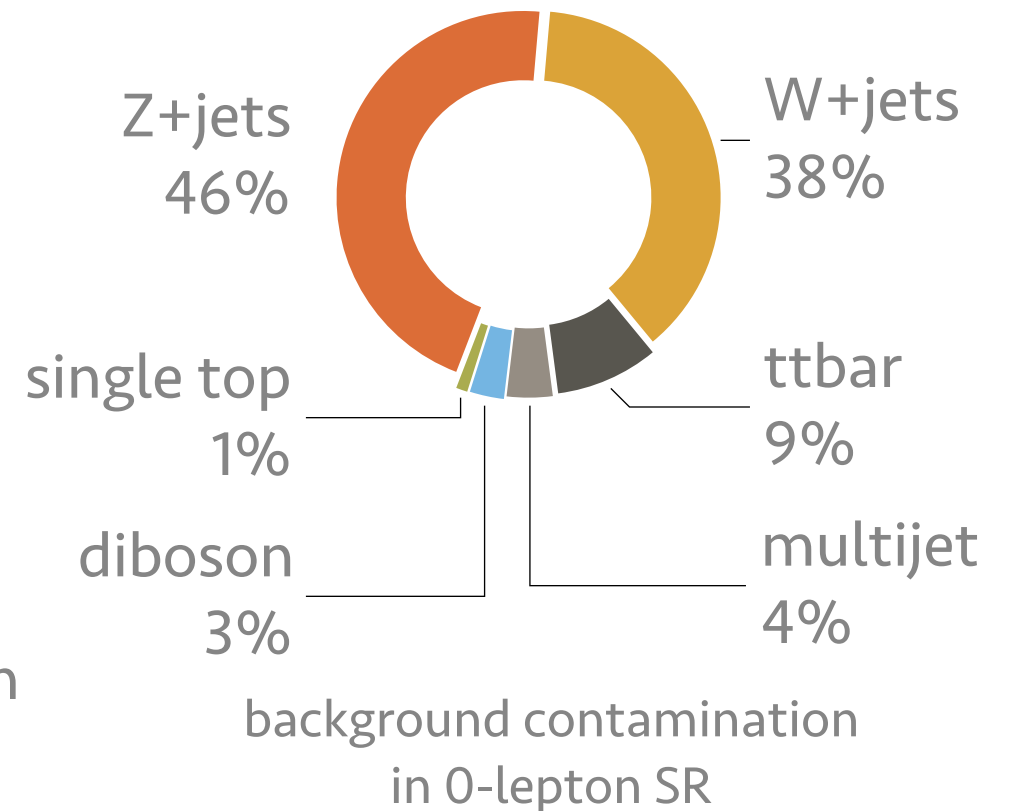


# Background estimation

- \* The dominant background in signal region (SR) are  $Z(\nu\nu)+\text{jets}$ ,  $W(l\nu)+\text{jets}$  and  $t\bar{t}$

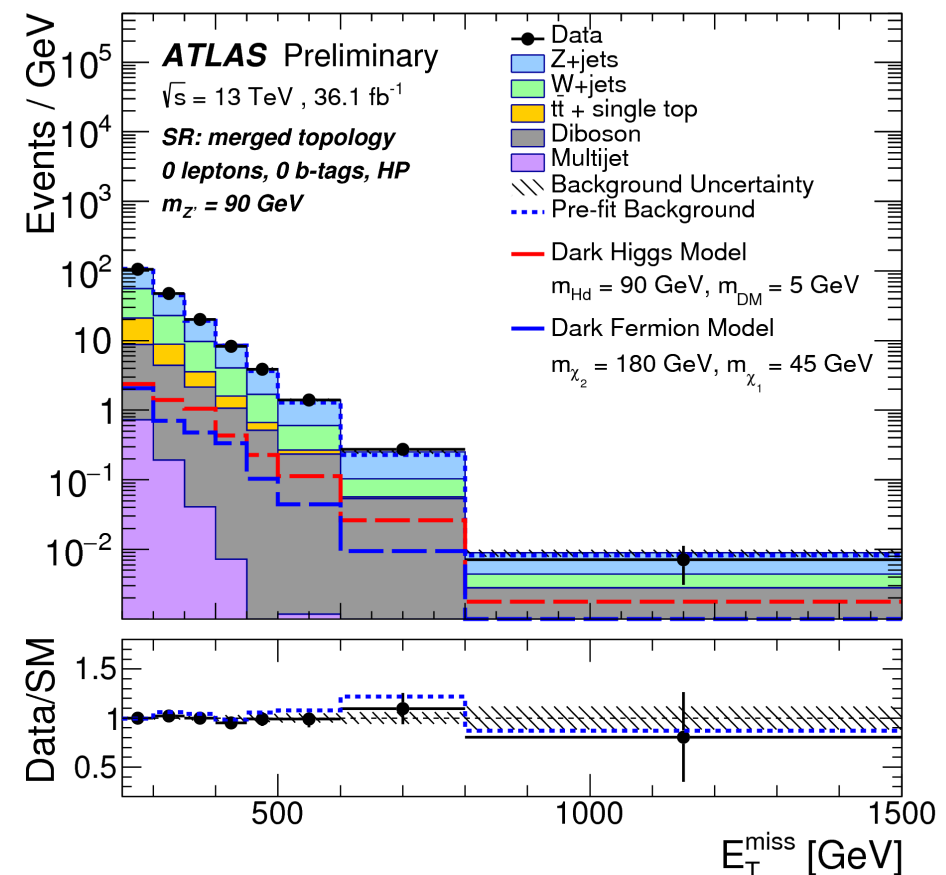
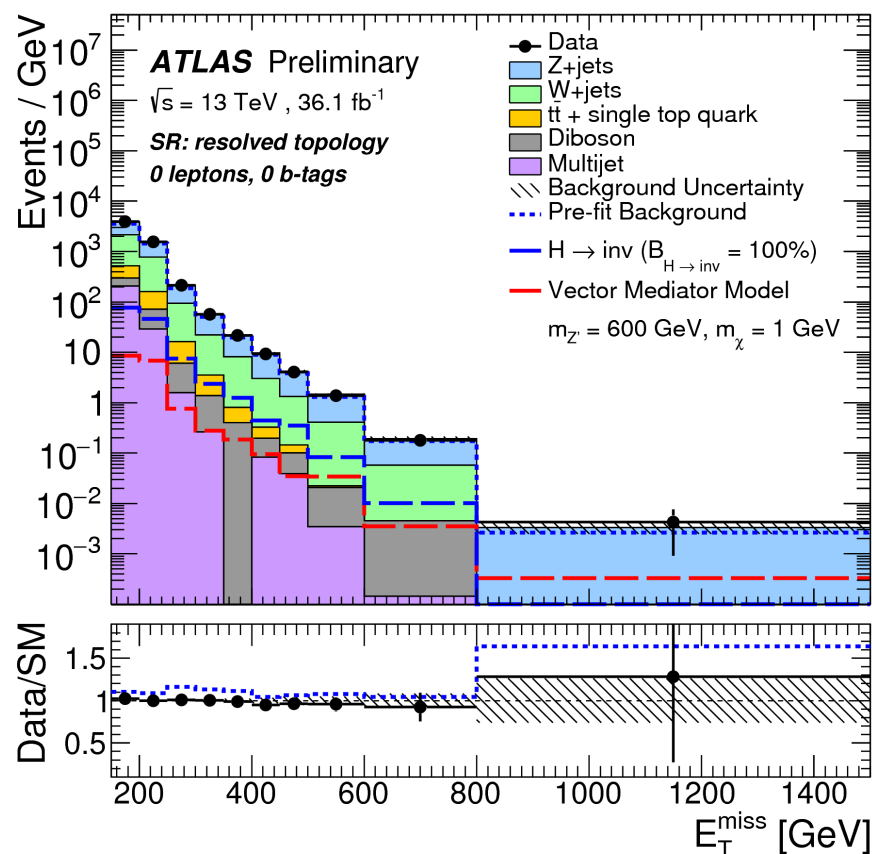


- \* Control regions (CR) with one or two leptons targeting  $W(l\nu)+\text{jets}$ ,  $Z(\ell\ell)+\text{jets}$  and  $t\bar{t}$ 
  - \* similar selections as in 0-lepton SR
  - \*  $t\bar{t}$  enriched in 1/2 b-jets categories
- \* Dedicated multijet control region with reverted angular cuts from SR
- \* Sideband of vector boson mass window in 0-lepton as a validation region for all the background



# Statistical analysis

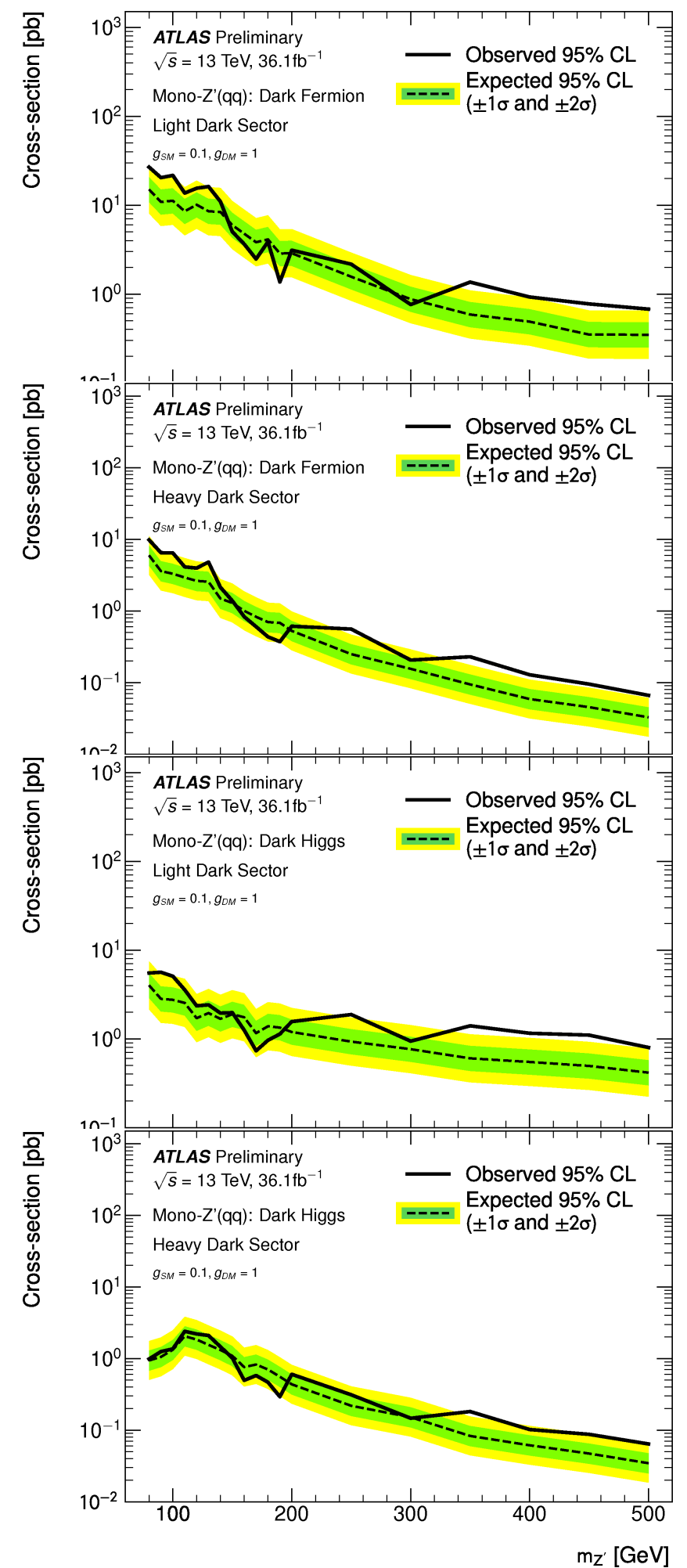
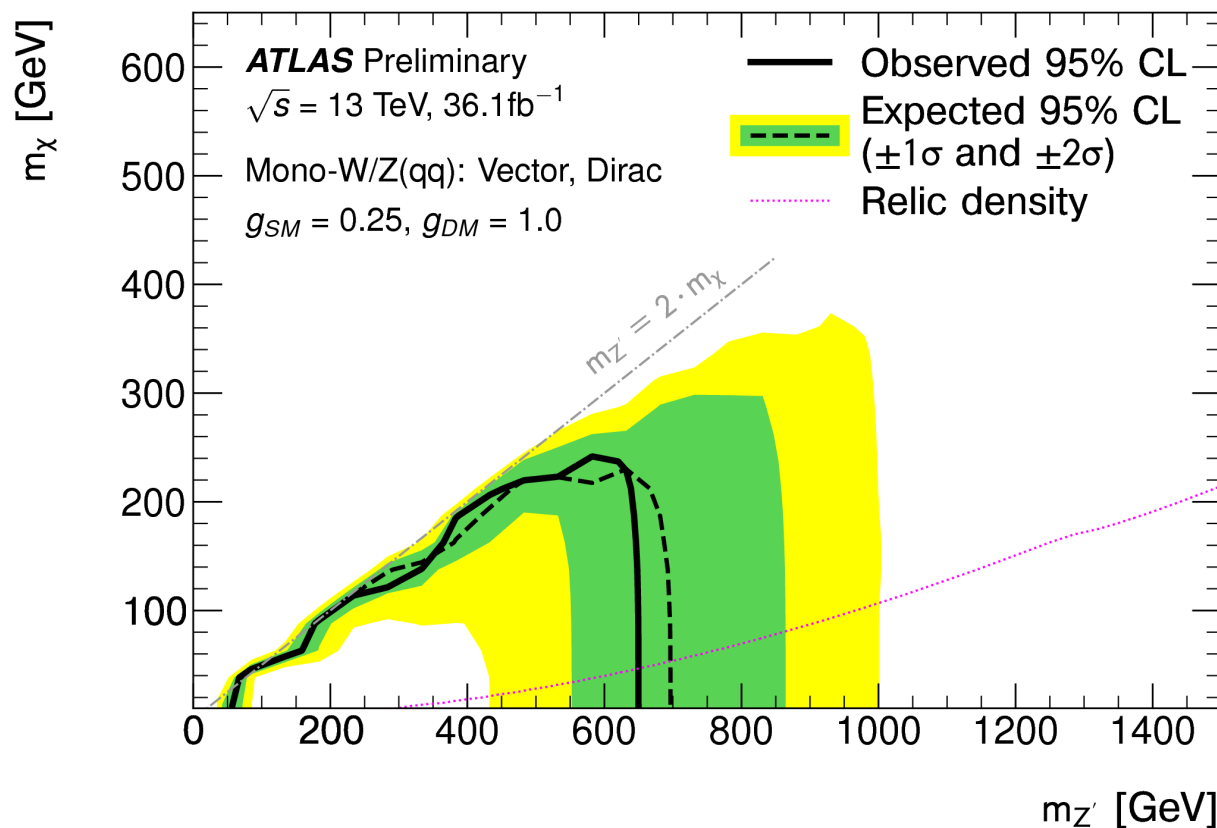
- \* A profile likelihood fit to the data on the discriminate variable MET is performed to interpret the observation of the search
  - \* signal strength  $\mu$  as the parameter of interest
  - \* background normalisation and systematics uncertainties as nuisance parameters



# Result

- \* No significant excess over the SM prediction observed
- \* Set limit on signal strength  $\mu$  at 95% CLs for each signal model and interpreted them into limit on:
  - \* DM and mediator mass for mono-V model
  - \* branching ratio of  $H \rightarrow$ invisible decay
  - \* cross section for mono- $Z'$  model

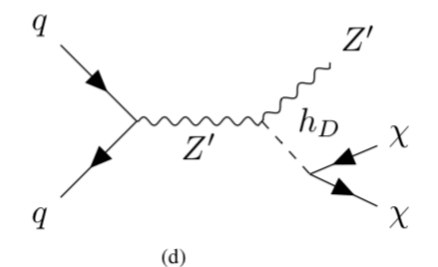
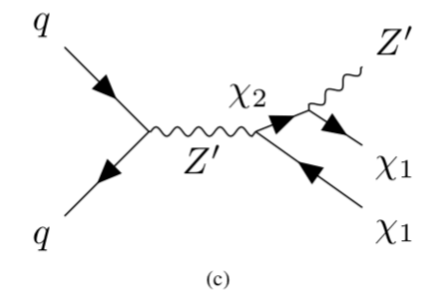
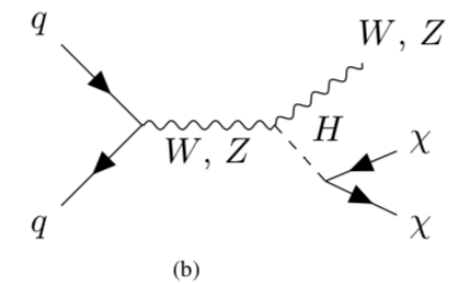
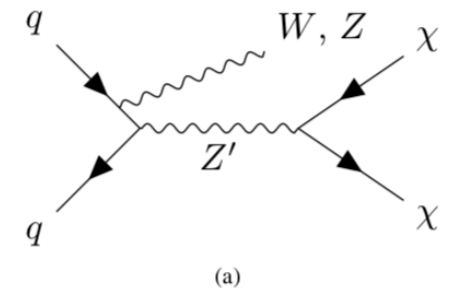
	observed	expected	+ 1 $\sigma$	- 1 $\sigma$
limit on BR( $H \rightarrow$ inv)	0.83	0.58	0.81	0.42



# Summary

- \* A search of dark matter has been performed in events with hadronically decaying vector boson and large MET in ATLAS detector
- \* Results are in agreement with SM and translated into exclusion limits on DM-pair production
- \* For simplified vector-mediator model
  - \* mediator mass  $m_{Z'}$  of up to 650 GeV are excluded for dark matter mass  $m_{\chi}$  of up to 250 GeV
- \* For invisible Higgs boson decays
  - \* upper limit of 0.83 is set on branching ratio  $B_{H \rightarrow \text{invisible}}$
- \* For dark-fermion and dark-Higgs model
  - \* cross section exclusion for dark-fermion and dark-Higgs model are set in light and heavy dark sector scenario

Xsec. Exclusion. for $80 < m_{Z'} < 500$ GeV	light dark sector scenario	heavy dark sector scenario
dark-fermion	0.68 - 27 pb	0.066 - 9.8 pb
dark-Higgs	0.80 - 5.5 pb	0.064 - 2.4 pb



Thank you!



# Publications

- \* ATLAS Run1
  - \* 2013, mono-W/Z [arXiv:1309.4017](#)
  - \* 2015, H->invisible [arXiv:1504.04324](#)
- \* ATLAS Run2
  - \* 2016, mono-W/Z [arXiv:1608.02372](#)
  - \* 2018, mono-W/Z, H->invisible and mono-Z' [ATLAS-CONF-2018-005](#)

# Event Selection

	Merged topology					Resolved topology		
<b>General requirements</b>								
$E_T^{\text{miss}}$	$> 250 \text{ GeV}$					$> 150 \text{ GeV}$		
Jets, leptons	$\geq 1J, 0\ell$					$\geq 2j, 0\ell$		
$b$ -jets	no $b$ -tagged track jets outside of $J$					$\leq 2$ $b$ -tagged small- $R$ jets		
Multijet suppression	$\Delta\phi(E_T^{\text{miss}}, J \text{ or } jj) > 120^\circ$ $\min_{i \in \{1,2,3\}} [\Delta\phi(E_T^{\text{miss}}, j_i)] > 20^\circ$ $p_T^{\text{miss}} > 30 \text{ GeV}$ or $\geq 2$ $b$ -jets $\Delta\phi(E_T^{\text{miss}}, p_T^{\text{miss}}) < 90^\circ$							
Signal properties						$p_T^{j_1} > 45 \text{ GeV}$ $\sum p_T^{j_i} > 120 (150) \text{ GeV}$ for 2 ( $\geq 3$ ) jets		
<b>Mono-<math>W/Z</math> signal regions</b>								
	$0b$ <b>HP</b>	$0b$ <b>LP</b>	$1b$ <b>HP</b>	$1b$ <b>LP</b>	$2b$	$0b$	$1b$	$2b$
$\Delta R_{jj}$	-	-	-	-	-	$< 1.4$	$< 1.4$	$< 1.25$
$D_2^{(\beta=1)}$ $p_T^J$ -dep.	pass	fail	pass	fail	-	-	-	-
Mass requirement (GeV)	$m_J$ $W/Z$ tagger requirement				$m_J$ [75, 100]	$m_{jj}$ [65, 105]		$m_{jj}$ [65, 100]
<b>Mono-<math>Z'</math> signal regions</b>								
	$0b$ <b>HP</b>	$0b$ <b>LP</b>	$1b$ <b>HP</b>	$1b$ <b>LP</b>	$2b$	$0b$	$1b$	$2b$
$D_2^{(\beta=1)} < 1.2$	pass	fail	pass	fail	-	-	-	-
Mass requirement (GeV)	For $m_{Z'} < 100 \text{ GeV}$ : $[0.85m_{Z'}, m_{Z'} + 10]$					For $m_{Z'} < 200 \text{ GeV}$ : $[0.85m_{Z'}, m_{Z'} + 10]$		
	For $m_{Z'} \geq 100 \text{ GeV}$ : no merged-topology selection applied					For $m_{Z'} \geq 200 \text{ GeV}$ : $[0.85m_{Z'}, m_{Z'} + 20]$		
						$[0.80m_{Z'}, m_{Z'} + 20]$		

# Yields - W/Z

Process	0b-HP	0b-LP	Merged topology		
			1b-HP	1b-LP	2b
Vector-mediator model,					
$m_\chi = 1 \text{ GeV}, m_{Z'} = 200 \text{ GeV}$	$814 \pm 48$	$759 \pm 45$	$96 \pm 18$	$99 \pm 16$	$49.5 \pm 4.3$
$m_\chi = 1 \text{ GeV}, m_{Z'} = 600 \text{ GeV}$	$280.9 \pm 9.0$	$268.5 \pm 8.8$	$34.7 \pm 3.6$	$33.8 \pm 3.1$	$15.38 \pm 0.84$
Invisible Higgs boson decays ( $m_H = 125 \text{ GeV}, \mathcal{B}_{H \rightarrow \text{inv.}} = 100\%$ )					
$VH$	$408.4 \pm 2.1$	$299.3 \pm 2.0$	$52.06 \pm 0.85$	$44.06 \pm 0.82$	$27.35 \pm 0.52$
$ggH$	$184 \pm 19$	$837 \pm 35$	$11.7 \pm 3.8$	$111 \pm 30$	$12.3 \pm 4.2$
VBF	$29.1 \pm 2.5$	$96.0 \pm 4.6$	$2.43 \pm 0.36$	$5.83 \pm 0.43$	$0.50 \pm 0.07$
$W$ +jets	$3170 \pm 140$	$10120 \pm 380$	$218 \pm 28$	$890 \pm 110$	$91 \pm 12$
$Z$ +jets	$4750 \pm 200$	$15590 \pm 590$	$475 \pm 52$	$1640 \pm 180$	$186 \pm 12$
$t\bar{t}$	$775 \pm 48$	$937 \pm 60$	$629 \pm 27$	$702 \pm 34$	$50 \pm 11$
Single top-quark	$159 \pm 12$	$197 \pm 13$	$89.7 \pm 6.7$	$125.5 \pm 8.7$	$16.1 \pm 1.7$
Diboson	$770 \pm 110$	$960 \pm 140$	$88 \pm 14$	$115 \pm 18$	$54 \pm 10$
Multijet	$12 \pm 35$	$49 \pm 140$	$3.7 \pm 3.3$	$15 \pm 13$	$9.3 \pm 9.4$
Total background	$9642 \pm 87$	$27850 \pm 150$	$1502 \pm 31$	$3490 \pm 52$	$407 \pm 15$
Data	9627	27856	1502	3525	414

Process	0b	Resolved topology	
		1b	2b
Vector-mediator model,			
$m_\chi = 1 \text{ GeV}, m_{Z'} = 200 \text{ GeV}$	$5050 \pm 130$	$342 \pm 29$	$136.7 \pm 6.0$
$m_\chi = 1 \text{ GeV}, m_{Z'} = 600 \text{ GeV}$	$840 \pm 16$	$59.9 \pm 4.6$	$27.86 \pm 0.94$
Invisible Higgs boson decays ( $m_H = 125 \text{ GeV}, \mathcal{B}_{H \rightarrow \text{inv.}} = 100\%$ )			
$VH$	$2129.6 \pm 6.4$	$171.7 \pm 2.2$	$104.7 \pm 1.2$
$ggH$	$4111 \pm 78$	$178 \pm 16$	$37 \pm 11$
VBF	$514 \pm 12$	$19.8 \pm 2.3$	$2.33 \pm 0.72$
$W$ +jets	$117500 \pm 4600$	$5000 \pm 680$	$598 \pm 98$
$Z$ +jets	$135400 \pm 5600$	$7710 \pm 780$	$1219 \pm 67$
$t\bar{t}$	$13800 \pm 780$	$12070 \pm 420$	$2046 \pm 70$
Single top-quark	$2360 \pm 140$	$1148 \pm 71$	$222 \pm 14$
Diboson	$6880 \pm 950$	$514 \pm 71$	$228 \pm 34$
Multijet	$11900 \pm 2300$	$1130 \pm 370$	$290 \pm 150$
Total background	$287770 \pm 570$	$27580 \pm 170$	$4601 \pm 90$
Data	287722	27586	4642

# Yields - Z' (90GeV)

Process	Merged topology				
	0b-HP	0b-LP	1b-HP	1b-LP	2b
Dark fermion, light sector	286 ± 54	125 ± 36	53 ± 23	26 ± 16	52 ± 23
Dark fermion, heavy sector	165 ± 18	71 ± 12	30.9 ± 7.7	18.6 ± 6.0	36.3 ± 8.4
Dark Higgs, light sector	253 ± 25	82 ± 14	37.7 ± 9.6	19.1 ± 6.9	45 ± 11
Dark Higgs, heavy sector	224 ± 14	75.9 ± 8.4	37.5 ± 5.9	21.2 ± 4.4	49.5 ± 6.8
W+jets	2960 ± 170	5180 ± 280	342 ± 52	680 ± 100	120 ± 120
Z+jets	4720 ± 190	7990 ± 310	628 ± 69	1280 ± 140	265 ± 22
t $\bar{t}$	780 ± 110	440 ± 59	646 ± 59	434 ± 49	59 ± 19
Single top-quark	161 ± 15	113 ± 14	93 ± 10	94.1 ± 8.9	17.8 ± 2.8
Diboson	830 ± 130	575 ± 95	129 ± 23	107 ± 18	61 ± 11
Multijet	48 ± 41	21 ± 66	1.2 ± 1.0	5.4 ± 5.1	0.52 ± 0.51
Total background	9498 ± 96	14310 ± 120	1840 ± 37	2600 ± 46	523 ± 19
Data	9516	14282	1845	2628	534

Process	Resolved topology		
	0b	1b	2b
Dark fermion, light sector	2060 ± 150	264 ± 52	228 ± 55
Dark fermion, heavy sector	976 ± 44	121 ± 15	164 ± 18
Dark Higgs, light sector	1206 ± 54	135 ± 18	197 ± 22
Dark Higgs, heavy sector	953 ± 30	112 ± 10	146 ± 12
W+jets	78400 ± 3400	4400 ± 690	1030 ± 190
Z+jets	91700 ± 3800	6970 ± 690	2140 ± 210
t $\bar{t}$	11170 ± 920	10590 ± 530	7760 ± 230
Single top-quark	1200 ± 170	1006 ± 74	602 ± 40
Diboson	6080 ± 930	514 ± 80	337 ± 55
Multijet	14700 ± 2500	1280 ± 540	540 ± 270
Total background	203990 ± 480	24770 ± 220	12400 ± 110
Data	203991	24783	12406

# Yields - $Z'$ (350GeV)

Process	Resolved topology		
	$0b$	$1b$	$2b$
Dark fermion, light sector	$655 \pm 14$	$104.2 \pm 5.8$	$89.5 \pm 5.3$
Dark fermion, heavy sector	$70.79 \pm 0.79$	$12.45 \pm 0.33$	$9.04 \pm 0.28$
Dark Higgs, light sector	$639 \pm 13$	$96.7 \pm 4.9$	$72.3 \pm 4.3$
Dark Higgs, heavy sector	$118.9 \pm 1.4$	$19.62 \pm 0.58$	$14.24 \pm 0.50$
$W$ +jets	$68300 \pm 4300$	$4270 \pm 1100$	$115 \pm 84$
$Z$ +jets	$72200 \pm 3000$	$7230 \pm 800$	$1160 \pm 110$
$t\bar{t}$	$3900 \pm 460$	$10320 \pm 720$	$4920 \pm 140$
Single top-quark	$752 \pm 69$	$1530 \pm 110$	$466 \pm 35$
Diboson	$2000 \pm 340$	$282 \pm 47$	$14.6 \pm 2.8$
Multijet	$17100 \pm 2300$	$7870 \pm 390$	$880 \pm 140$
Total background	$164310 \pm 650$	$31520 \pm 250$	$7567 \pm 85$
Data	164386	31465	7597



# Uncertainties

- \* Two parts of uncertainties are considered: data statistical uncertainty (5-21%) and systematic uncertainties (21-45%)
- \* Systematic uncertainties further contain **experimental uncertainties** and **modelling uncertainties**
  - \* large-R jet (9-23%), small-R jet (3-13%)
  - \* MET and MET trigger (1-4%)
  - \* b-tagging (2-11%), leptons (4-15%), luminosity (3-4%)
  - \* signal modeling (7-20%)
  - \* background modelling (0.3-15%)
  - \* MC statistical uncertainty (10-20%)
- \* The impact of uncertainties varies with different signals and analysis categories

# Systematics impact on signal strength

Source of uncertainty	Uncertainty on $\mu = 1$ [%]				
	Vector mediator, $m_{Z'} =$		$H \rightarrow \text{invisible}$ ( $\mathcal{B}_{H \rightarrow \text{inv.}} = 100\%$ )	Dark fermion, $m_{Z'} =$	
	200 GeV	600 GeV		90 GeV	300 GeV
Large- $R$ jets	9	20	17	23	-
Small- $R$ jets	3	8	7	13	6
Electrons	4	9	6	7	8
Muons	6	7	7	15	14
$E_T^{\text{miss}}$	1	4	3	4	3
$b$ -tagging (track jets)	4	4	4	8	-
$b$ -tagging (small- $R$ jets)	2	4	2	5	11
Luminosity	3	4	3	4	4
Multijet normalization	7	11	11	13	11
Diboson normalization	5	11	6	3	1
$Z$ +jets normalization	5	9	4	15	12
$W$ +jets normalization	3	4	2	8	7
$t\bar{t}$ normalization	3	1	0.3	8	6
Signal modeling	7	9	20	-	-
$V$ +jets modeling	4	10	4	7	13
$t\bar{t}$ modeling	2	4	3	10	8
$V$ +jets flavor composition	1	3	3	4	3
Diboson modeling	1	2	2	1	0.3
Background MC stat.	10	18	14	20	19
Total syst.	21	40	38	45	42
Data stat.	7	21	5	14	18
Total	22	45	39	47	47

# Profile likelihood fit

$$\mathcal{L}(\mu, \theta) = \prod_j^{N_{\text{categories}}} \prod_i^{N_{\text{bins}}} P(N_{ij} | \mu S_{ij}(\theta) + B_{ij}(\theta)) \prod_k^{N_{\text{nuisance}}} \mathcal{G}(\theta_k)$$

SR plus CR  
observed event  
expected signal and background  
Gaussian function for constraint on nuisance parameter

Poisson distribution  
signal strength  
nuisance parameters for background normalisation and systematic uncertainties

# Model independent interpretation

- \* A generic CLs upper limit on the allowed visible cross-section  $\sigma_{\text{vis}}$  of potential W+DM and Z+DM production are also performed with W/Z final state

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma_{\text{vis, W+DM}}(E_{\text{T}}^{\text{miss}}) &\equiv \sigma_{\text{W+DM}}(E_{\text{T}}^{\text{miss}}) \times \mathcal{B}_{\text{W} \rightarrow q'q} \times (A \times \varepsilon)(E_{\text{T}}^{\text{miss}}) \quad \text{for } W + \text{DM events,} \\ \sigma_{\text{vis, Z+DM}}(E_{\text{T}}^{\text{miss}}) &\equiv \sigma_{\text{Z+DM}}(E_{\text{T}}^{\text{miss}}) \times \mathcal{B}_{\text{Z} \rightarrow q\bar{q}} \times (A \times \varepsilon)(E_{\text{T}}^{\text{miss}}) \quad \text{for } Z + \text{DM events,}\end{aligned}$$

- \* Selections similar to SR but with inclusive b-jet multiplicity and no separation in W/Z mass window
- \* The exclusion upper limit on  $\sigma_{\text{vis}}$  thus apply to any processes which have a generic back-to-back topology with W/Z boson recoiling against MET from weak interacting particles

$E_{\text{T}}^{\text{miss}}$ range [GeV]	Upper limit at 95% CL [fb]				$A \times \varepsilon$
	$\sigma_{\text{vis}}^{\text{obs}}$	$\sigma_{\text{vis}}^{\text{exp}}$	$-1\sigma$	$+1\sigma$	
$W + \text{DM}, W \rightarrow q'q$					
[150, 200)	750	650	470	910	20%
[200, 250)	185	163	117	226	20%
[250, 300)	43	50	36	69	30%
[300, 400)	41	36	26	50	45%
[400, 600)	9.7	12.6	9.1	17.6	55%
[600, 1500)	5.1	3.1	2.2	4.3	55%

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	$\sigma_{\text{vis}}^{\text{obs}}$	$\sigma_{\text{vis}}^{\text{exp}}$	$-1\sigma$	$+1\sigma$	
$Z + \text{DM}, Z \rightarrow q\bar{q}$					
[150, 200)	313	225	162	314	20%
[200, 250)	69	60	43	83	20%
[250, 300)	39	29	21	40	30%
[300, 400)	31.1	18.5	13.3	25.7	45%
[400, 600)	9.2	9.1	6.5	12.6	50%
[600, 1500)	3.0	2.6	1.9	3.6	55%

# Upper limit on $g_{SM}$ in mono- $Z'$

- \* Upper limit on the coupling  $g_{SM}$  in mono- $Z'$  models is also performed, assuming  $g_{DM}=1$

