

# Search for heavy particles with leptons at ATLAS

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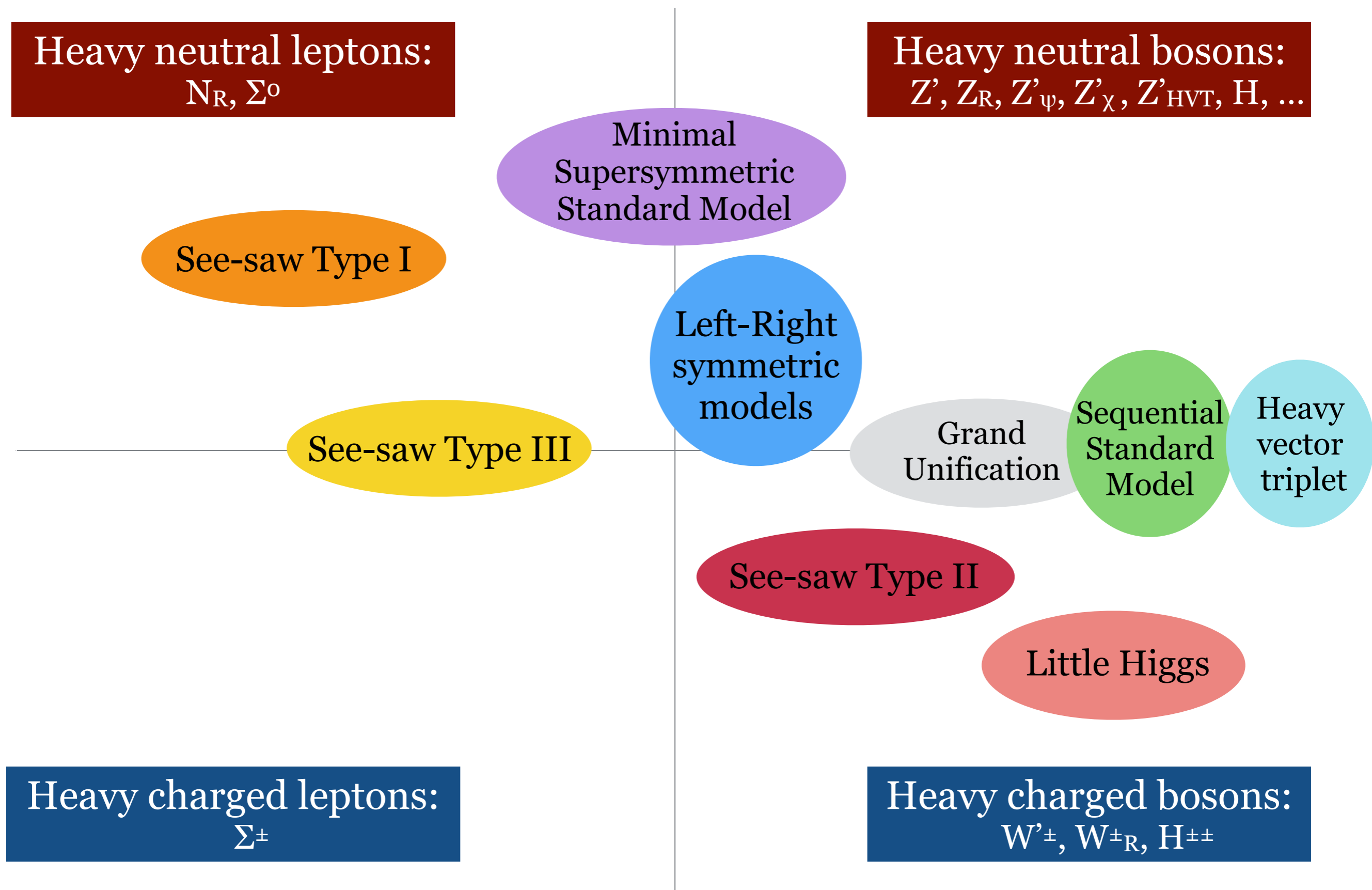
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# Search for new physics



# ATLAS searches @ 13 TeV

- **Di-lepton:**

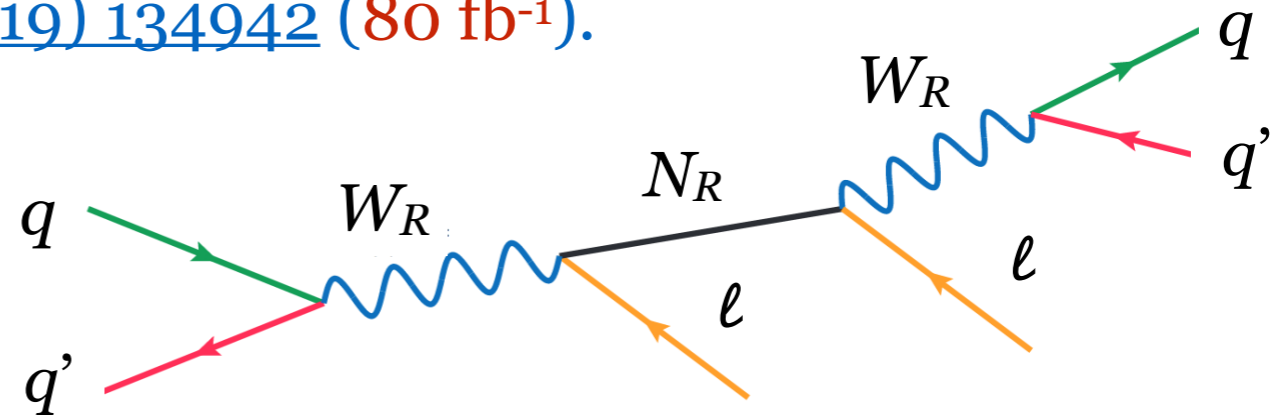
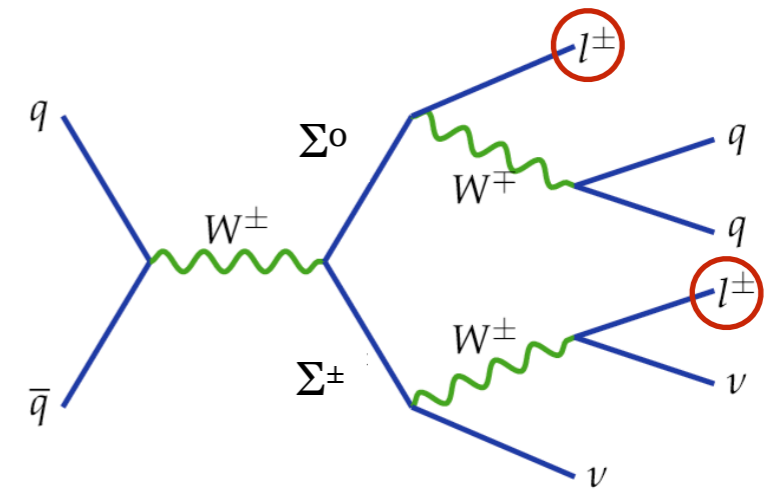
- **Resonant:** [Phys. Lett. B 796 \(2019\) 68](#) (139 fb<sup>-1</sup>).
- **Non-resonant:** [CERN-EP-2020-066](#) (139 fb<sup>-1</sup>).

- **Lepton + missing energy:**

- [Phys. Rev. D 100, 052013 \(2019\)](#) (139 fb<sup>-1</sup>).

- **Semi-leptonic:**

- **Heavy leptons:** [EXOT-2018-33](#) (139 fb<sup>-1</sup>).
- **Heavy neutrino and W:**
  - **Resolved:** [JHEP 01\(2019\) 016](#) (36.1 fb<sup>-1</sup>).
  - **Boosted:** [Phys. Lett. B 798 \(2019\) 134942](#) (80 fb<sup>-1</sup>).



# Di-lepton resonance

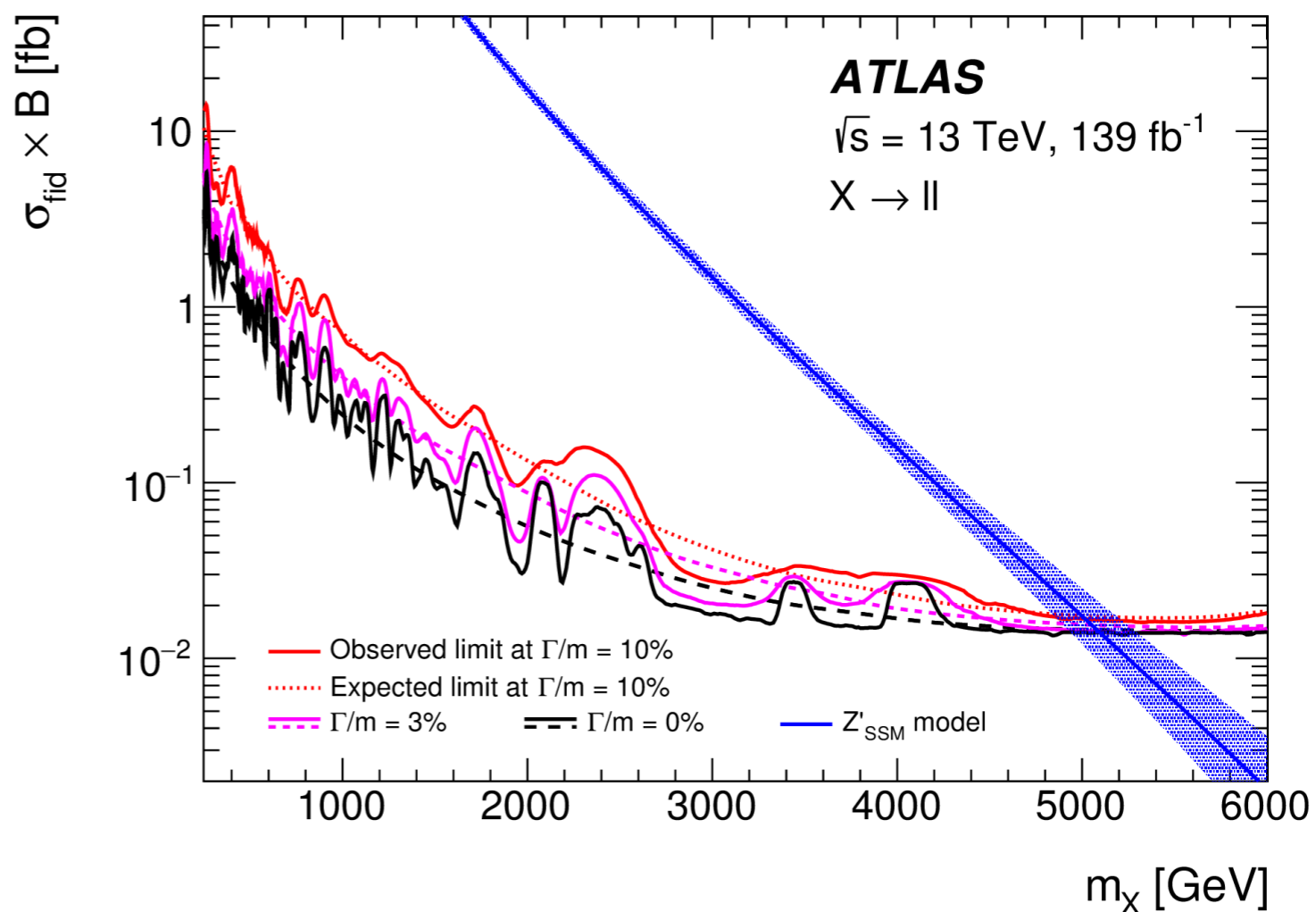
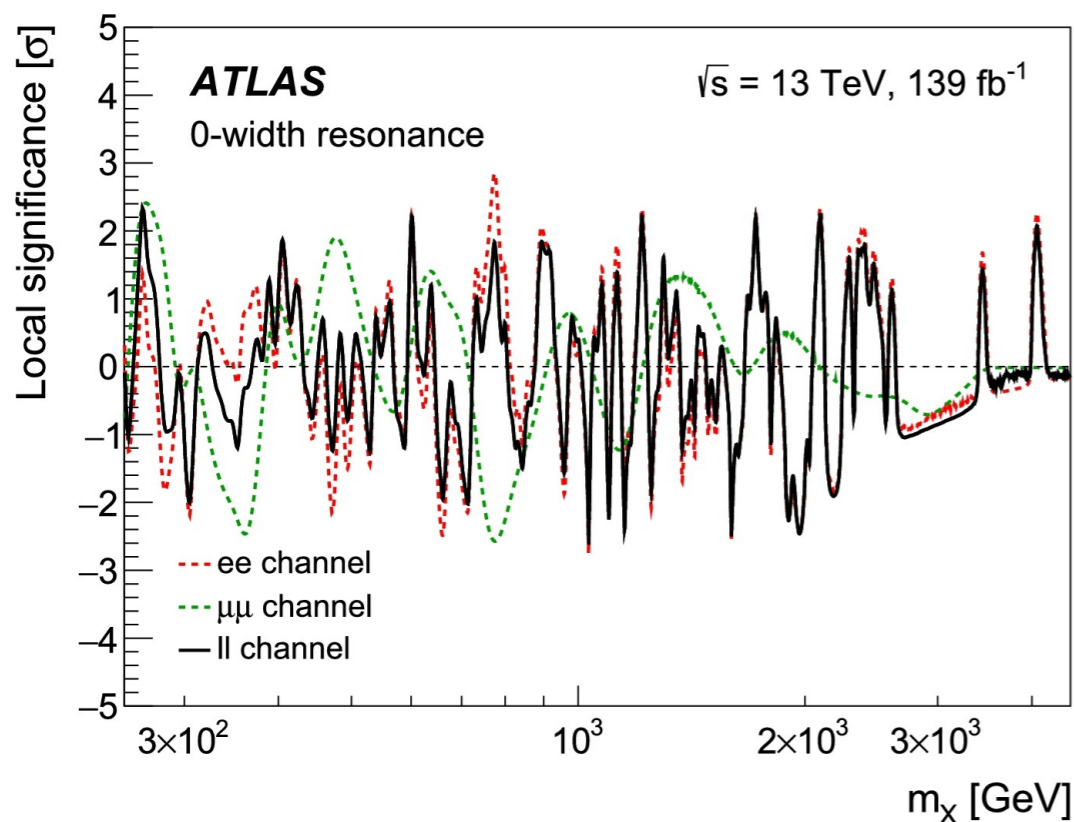
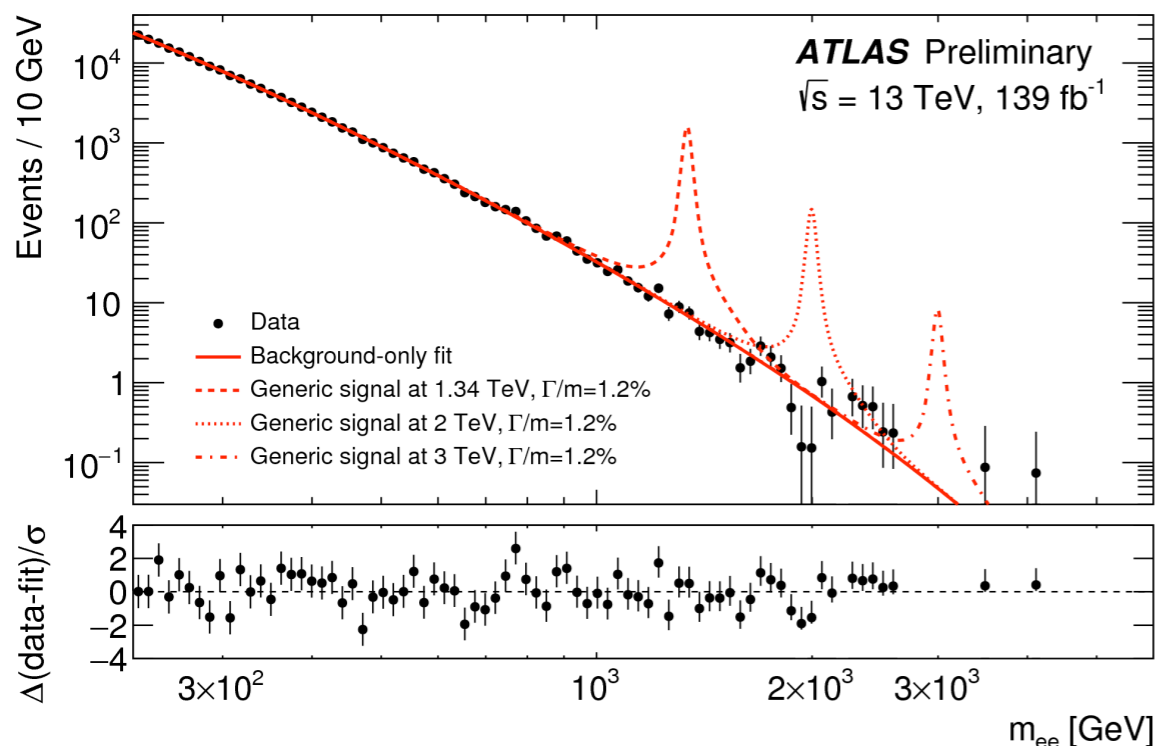
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- One  $ee$  or  $\mu\mu$  pair.
- Bkg modelled using:

$$f_{\ell\ell}(m_{\ell\ell}) = f_{\text{BW,Z}}(m_{\ell\ell}) \cdot (1 - x^c)^b \cdot x^{\sum_{i=0}^3 p_i \log(x)^i}$$

where  $x = m_{\ell\ell} / \sqrt{s}$ , and  $f_{\text{BW,Z}}$  is non-relativistic Breit-Wigner.

- Spin hypotheses 0, 1, 2 with consistent signal efficiency.

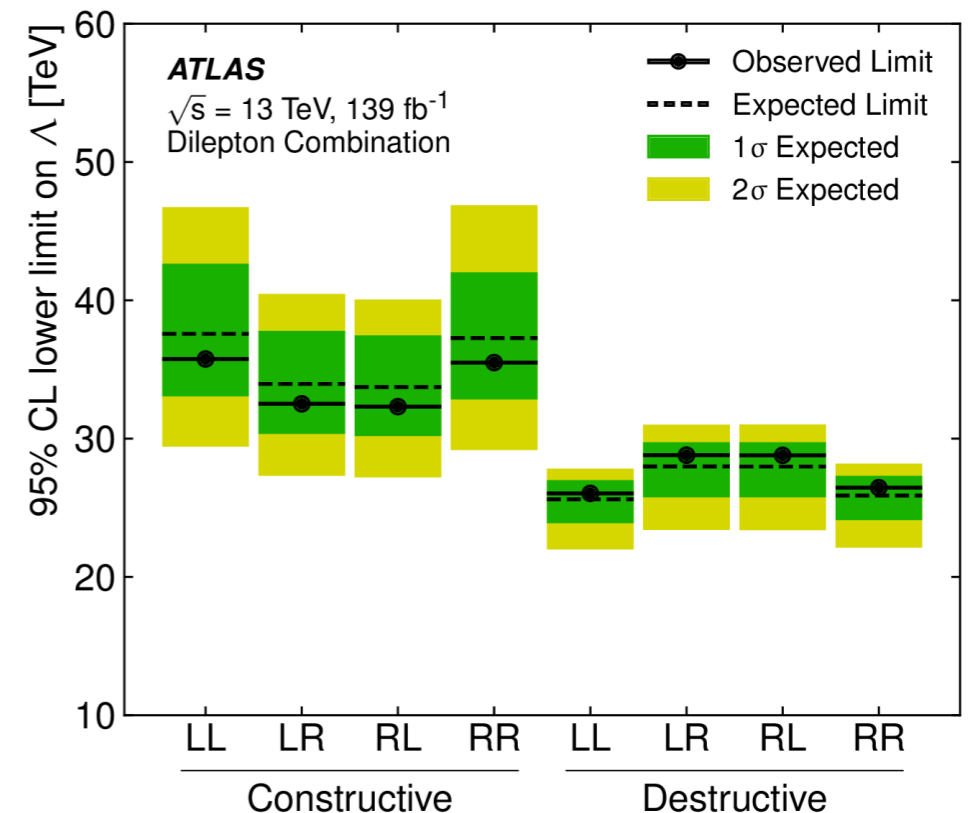
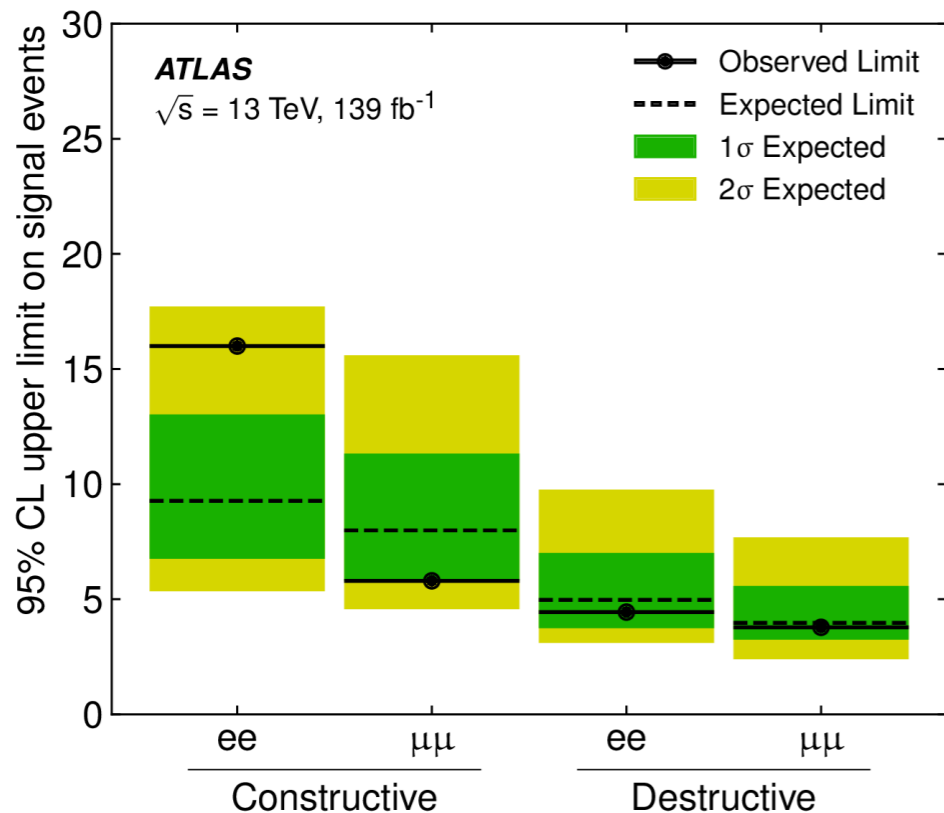
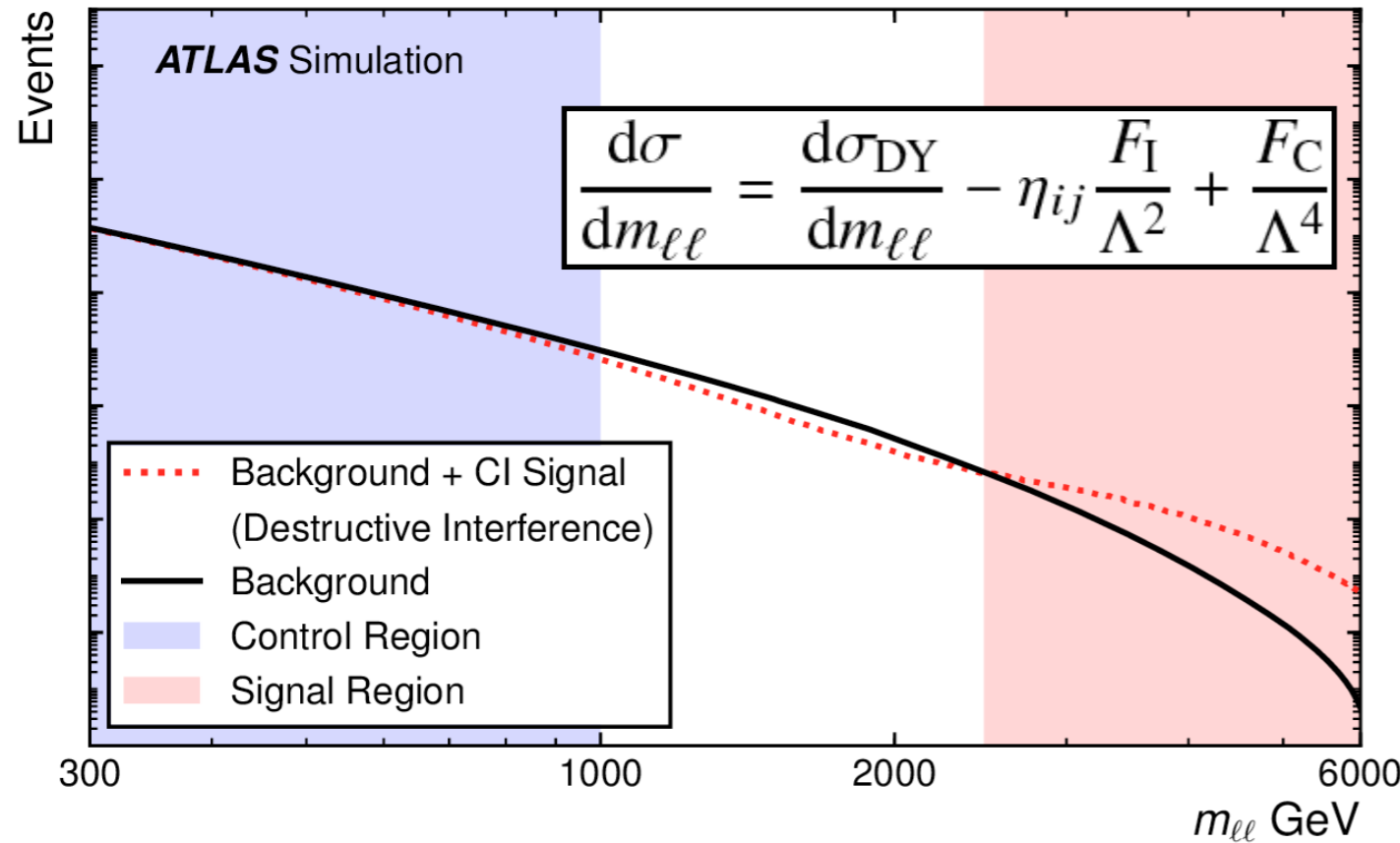


# Di-lepton non-resonant

[CERN-EP-2020-066](#)

- One  $ee$  or  $\mu\mu$  pair.
- Bkg constrained with data in low mass region.
- Contact interaction scale  $\Lambda$ .
- Chiral structure from  $\eta_{ij}$  in interference term.
- Signal + bkg model for signal contamination test in CR:

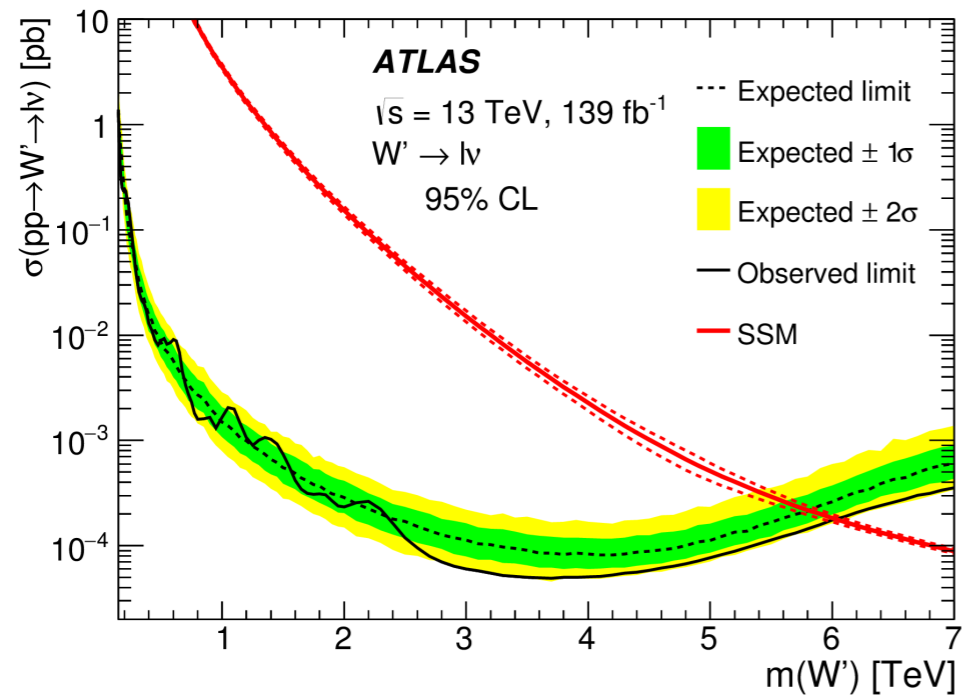
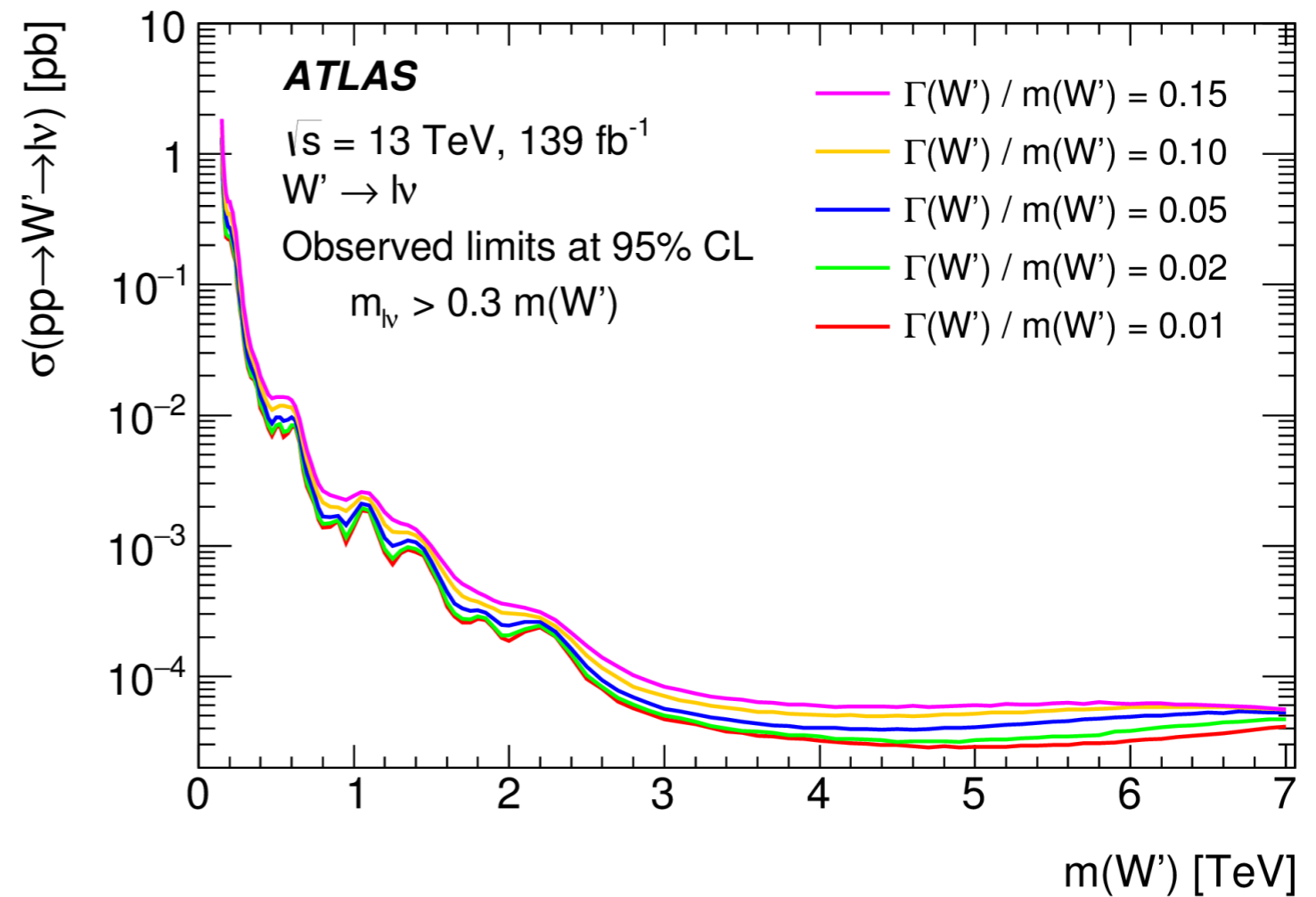
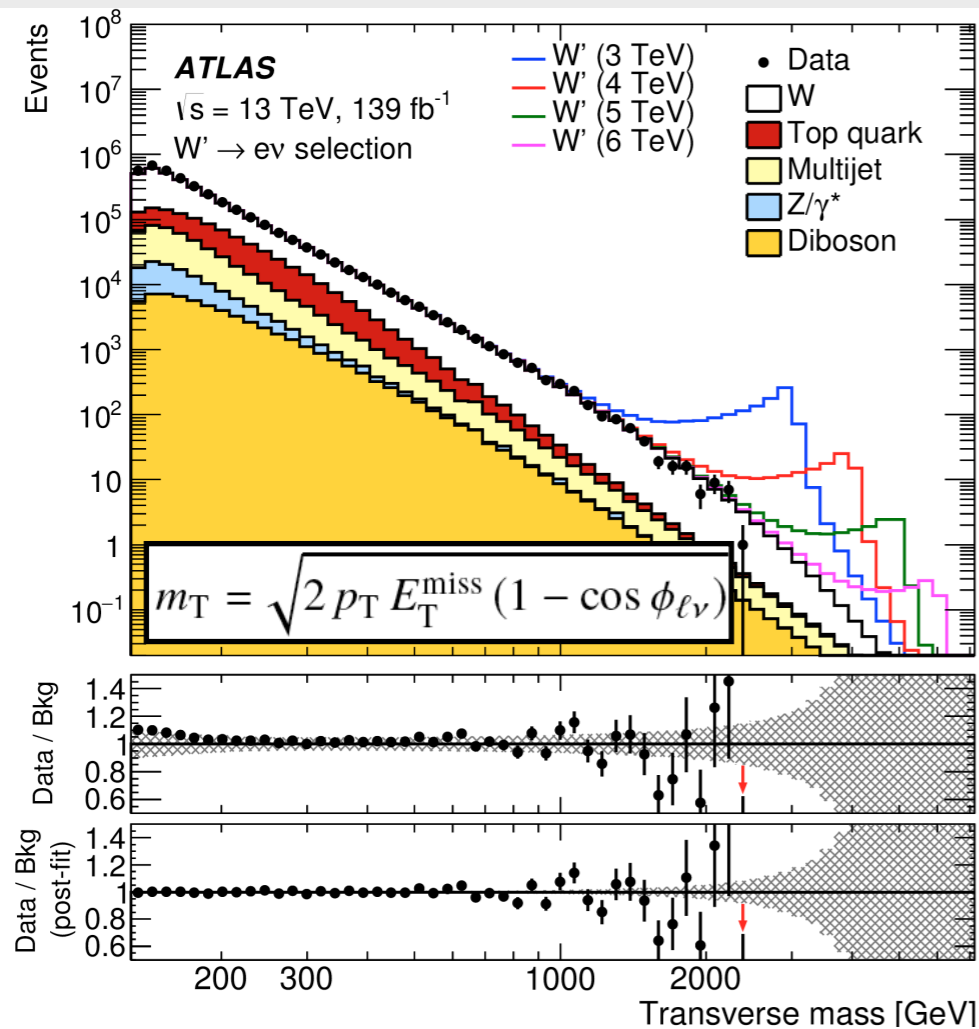
$$f_{b+s}(m_{\ell\ell}, \Lambda) = N_b \cdot f_b(m_{\ell\ell}) + N_s(\Lambda) \cdot f_s(m_{\ell\ell}, \Lambda)$$



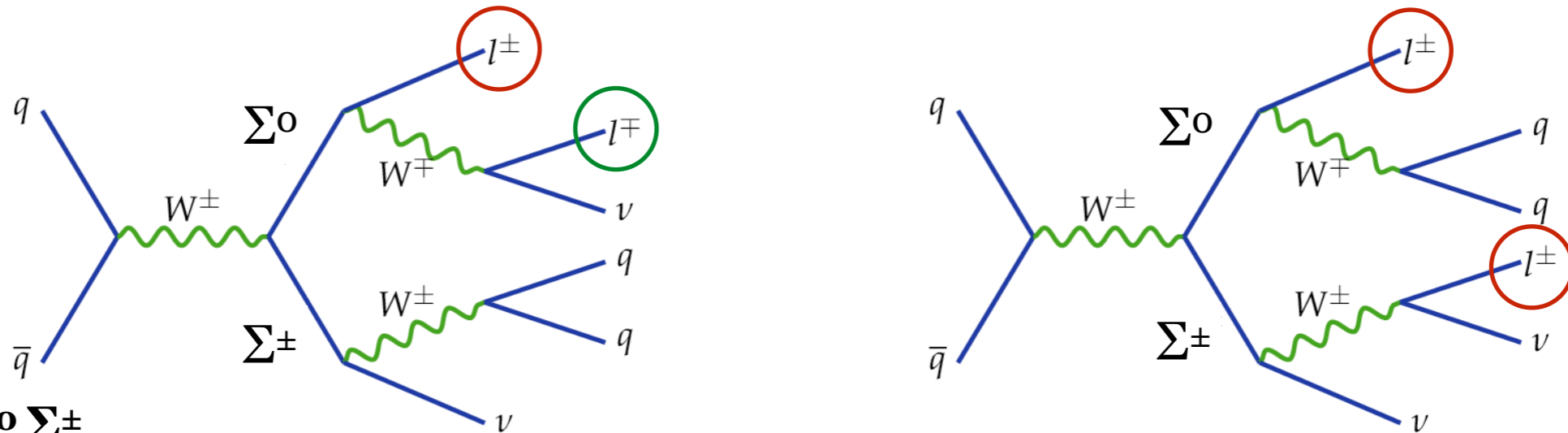
# lepton + missing energy

[Phys. Rev. D 100, 052013 \(2019\)](#)

- Final state with  $e\nu$  or  $\mu\nu$ .
- Jet  $\rightarrow$  leptons bkg modelled with data.
- Other bkg modelled with simulation.
- Different width/mass hypotheses considered.

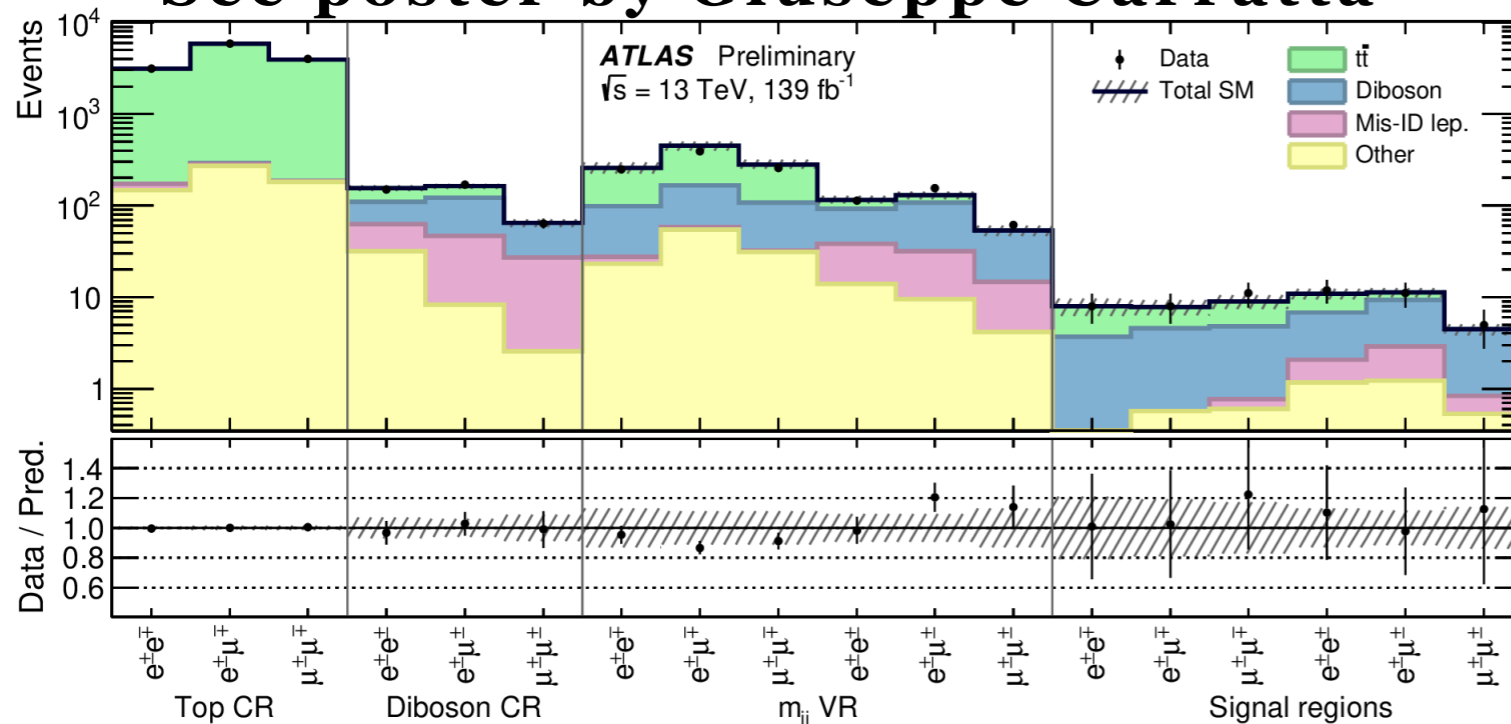


# Semi-leptonic: heavy leptons

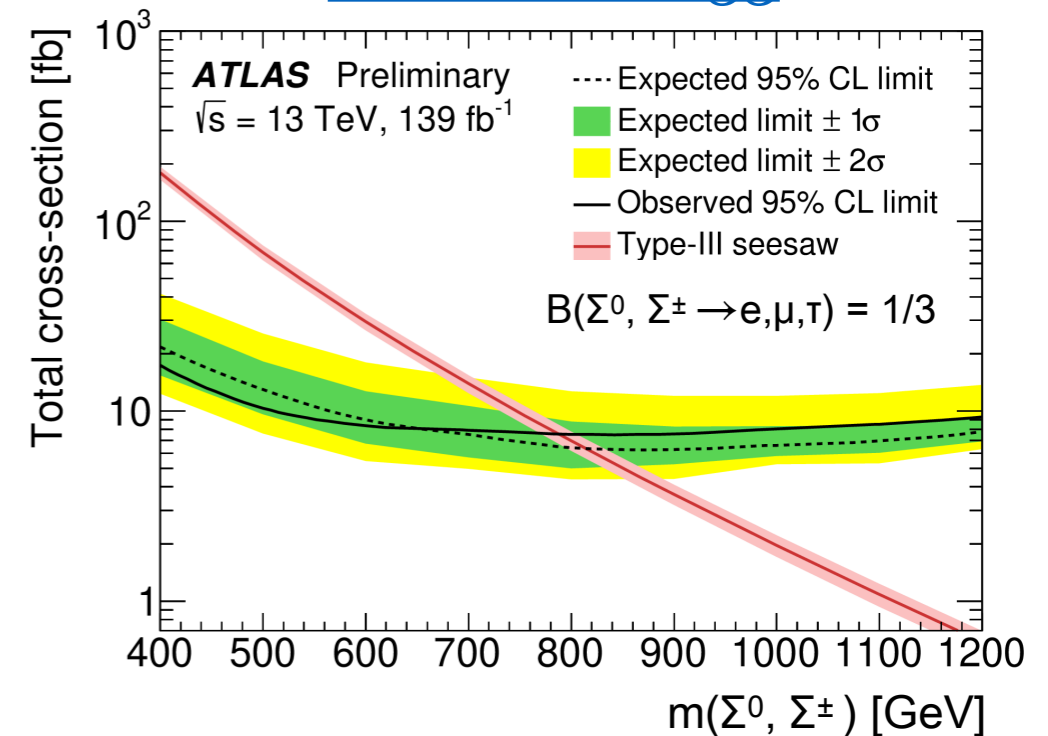


- $pp \rightarrow \Sigma^0 \Sigma^\pm$
- Opposite and same-charge **di-leptons** optimised independently ( $ee, e\mu, \mu\mu$ ).
- Two resolved jets in final state.  $M(j,j)$  consistent with  $W$  mass.  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$  required in final state.
- Scalar sum of  $p_T(\ell)$ , and  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$  are combined as primary discriminant.
- Assume equal branching ratio to all leptonic decays.

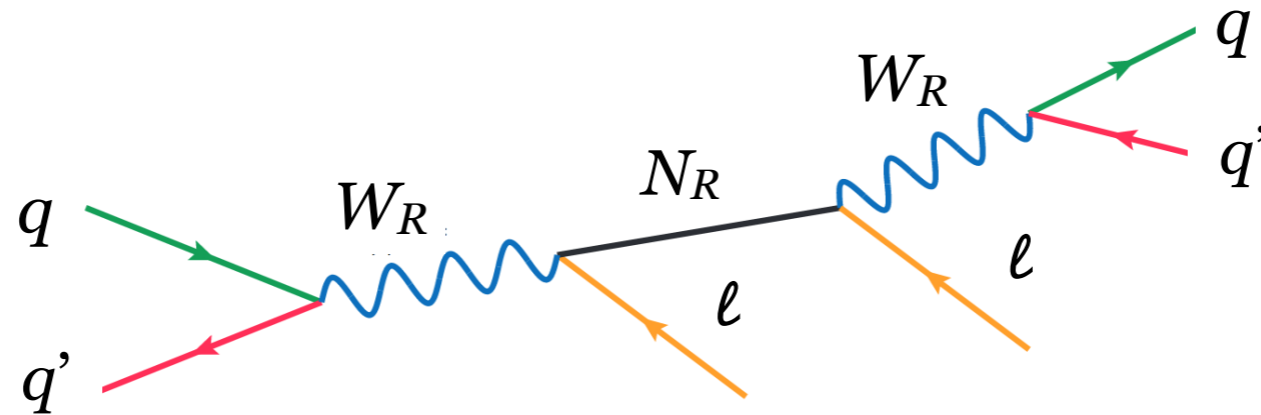
See poster by Giuseppe Carratta



EXOT-2018-33

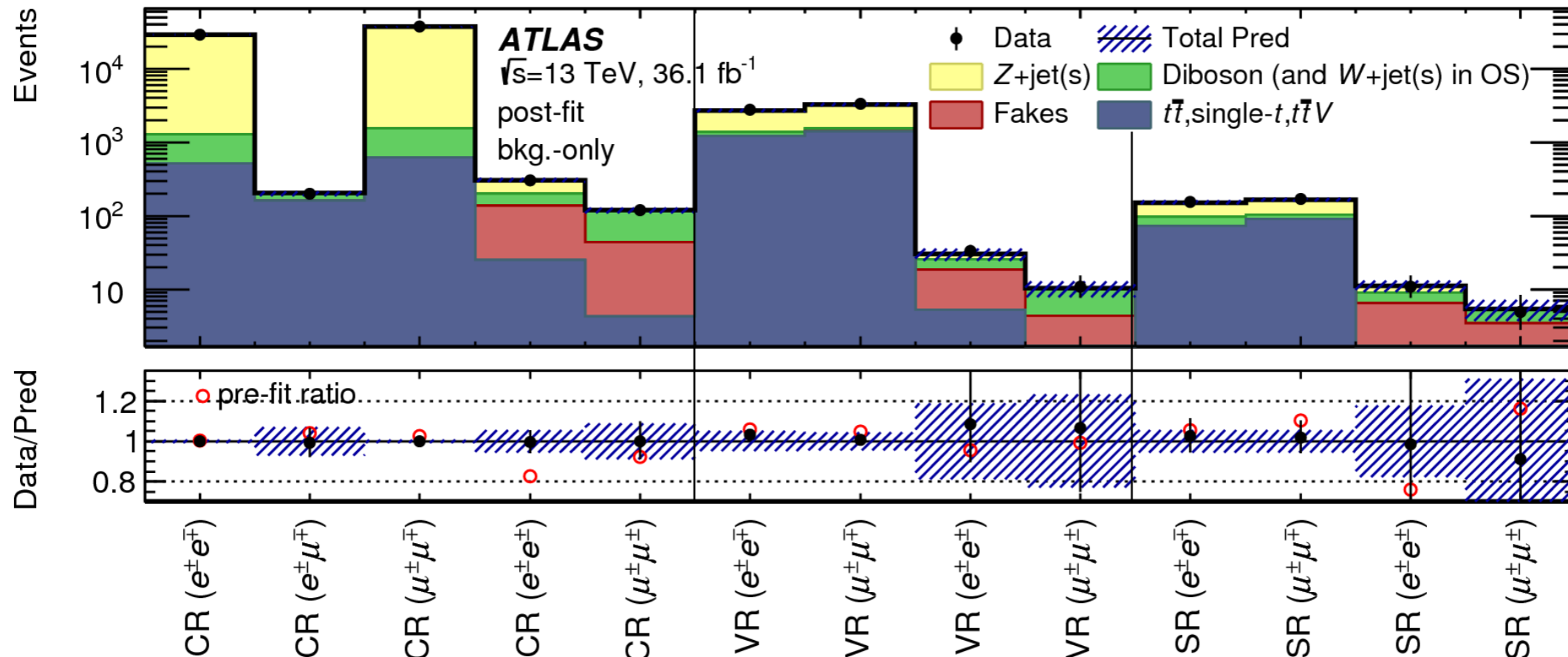


# Semi-leptonic heavy neutrino and W: resolved



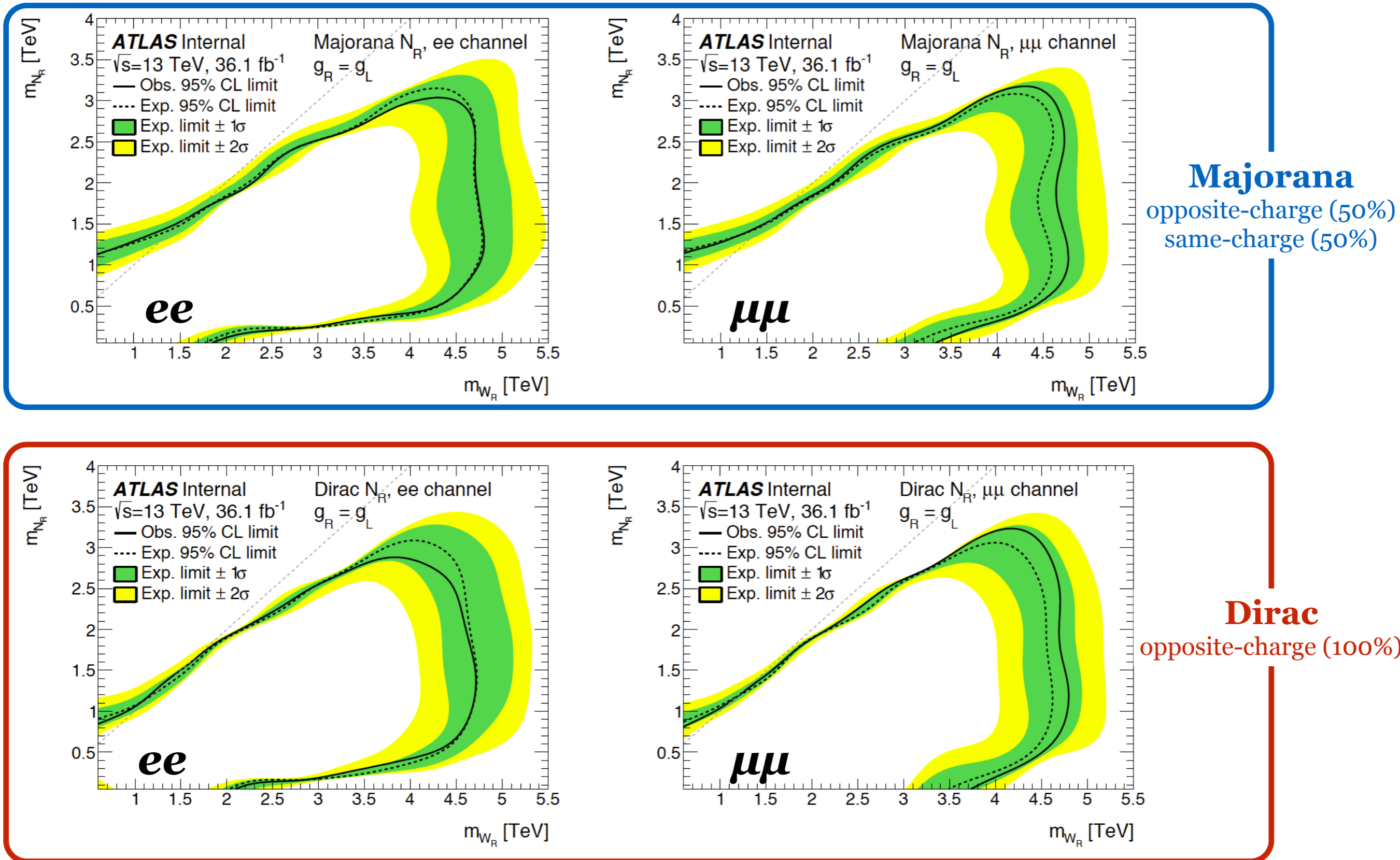
- Opposite and same -charge optimised independently. Only same-flavour leptons ( $ee$  or  $\mu\mu$ ).
- Two resolved jets in final state. No  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$  in the final state.
  - $m_{NR} < m_{WR}$ : reconstruct  $W_R$  from  $M(l, l, j, j)$ .
  - $m_{NR} > m_{WR}$ : reconstruct  $W_R$  from  $M(j, j)$ .
- $H_T > 400$  GeV,  $M(j, j) > 110$  GeV,  $p_T(j) > 100$  GeV.

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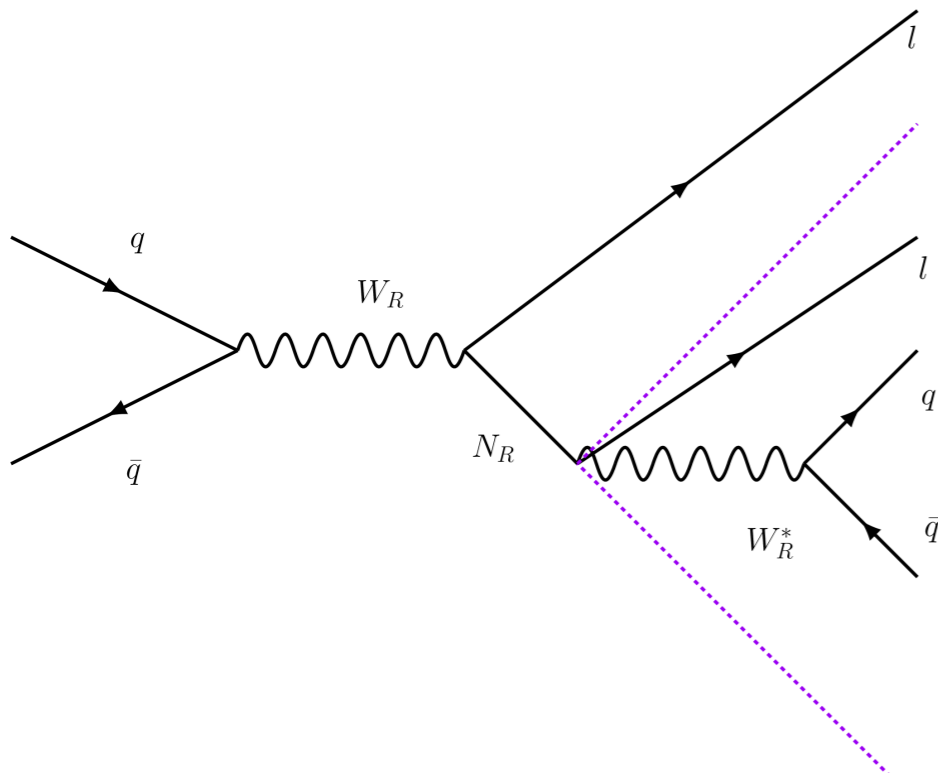




# Semi-leptonic heavy neutrino and W: resolved

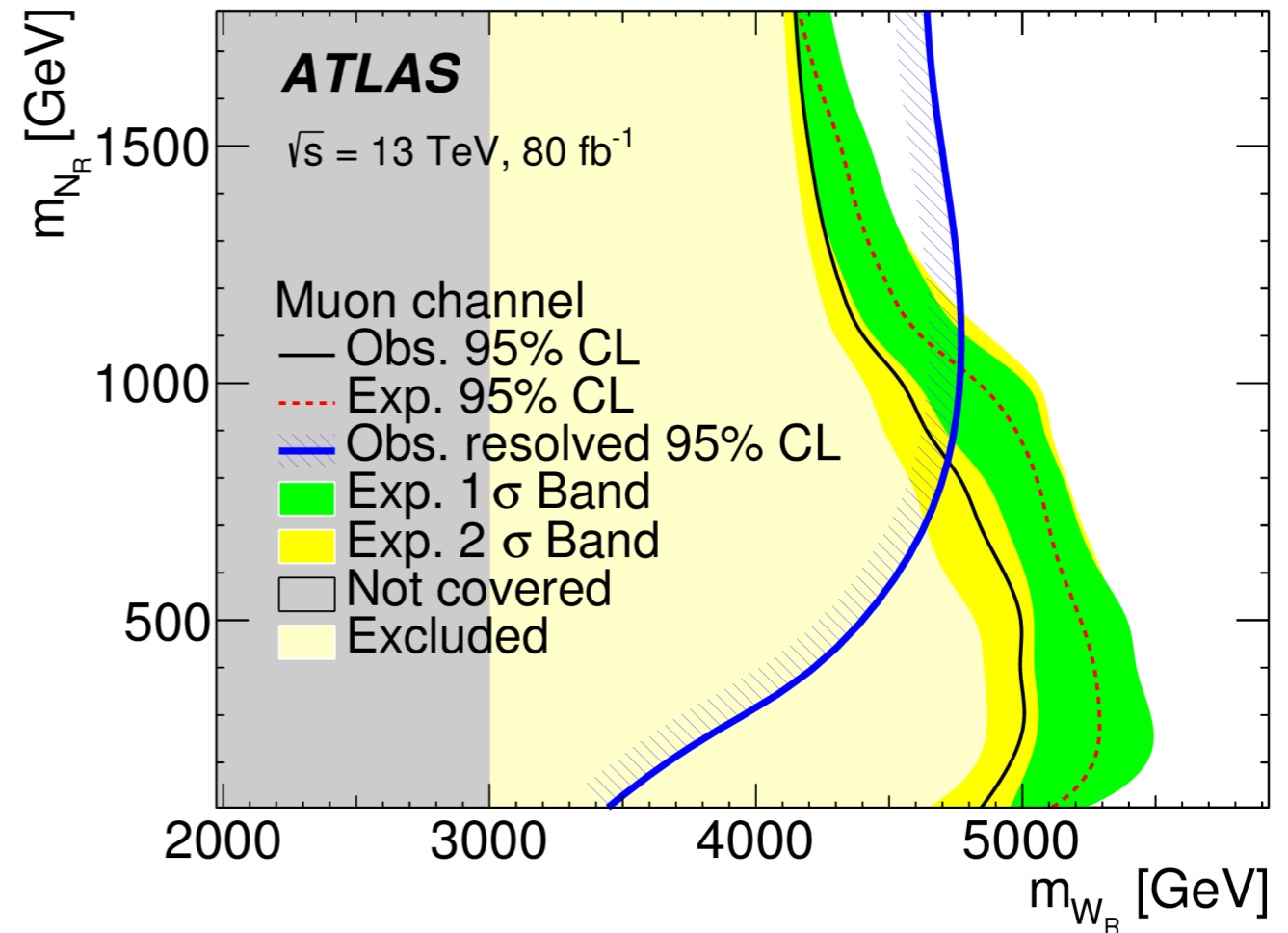
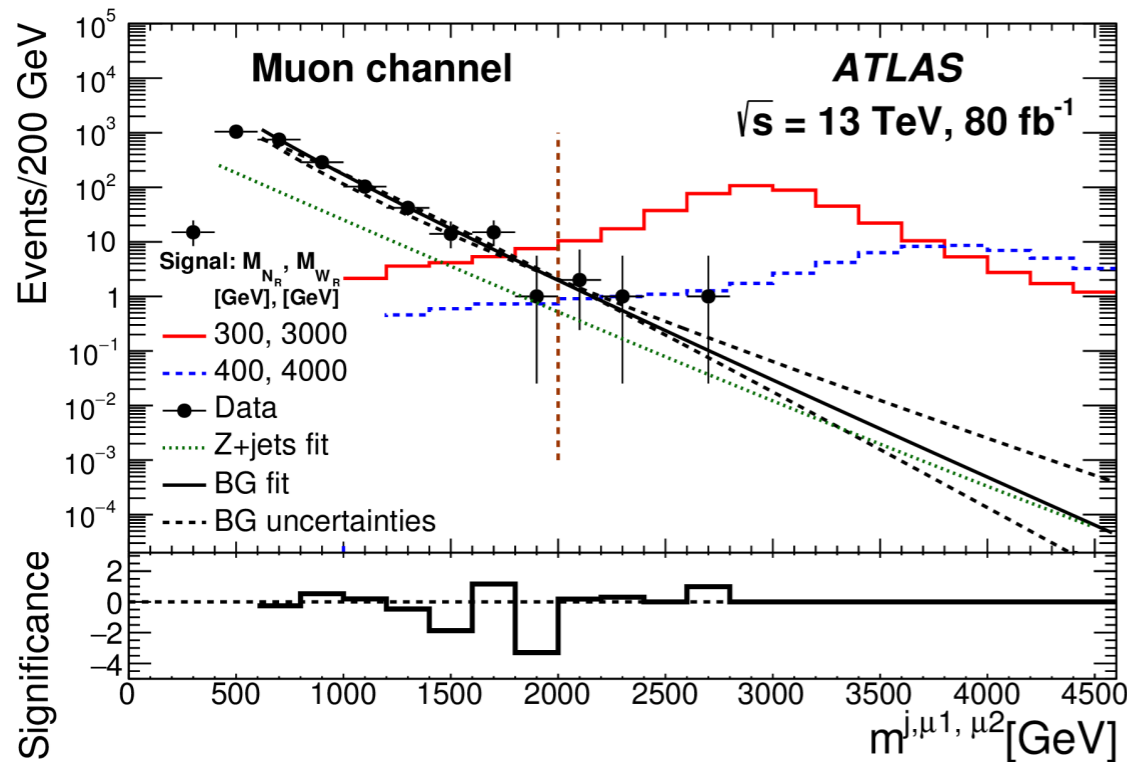


# Semi-leptonic heavy neutrino and W: boosted



- $ee$  or  $\mu\mu$  in the final state.
- Heavy neutrinos with large transverse momenta.
- Two same-flavour leptons and one large-R jet ( $R=1.0$ ) with  $p_T(J) > 200$  GeV.
- The large-R jet should contain the sub-leading lepton.
- Isolated lepton back-to-back in azimuth wrt the large-R jet.
- $m(l,l) > 200$  GeV to suppress Z+jets.

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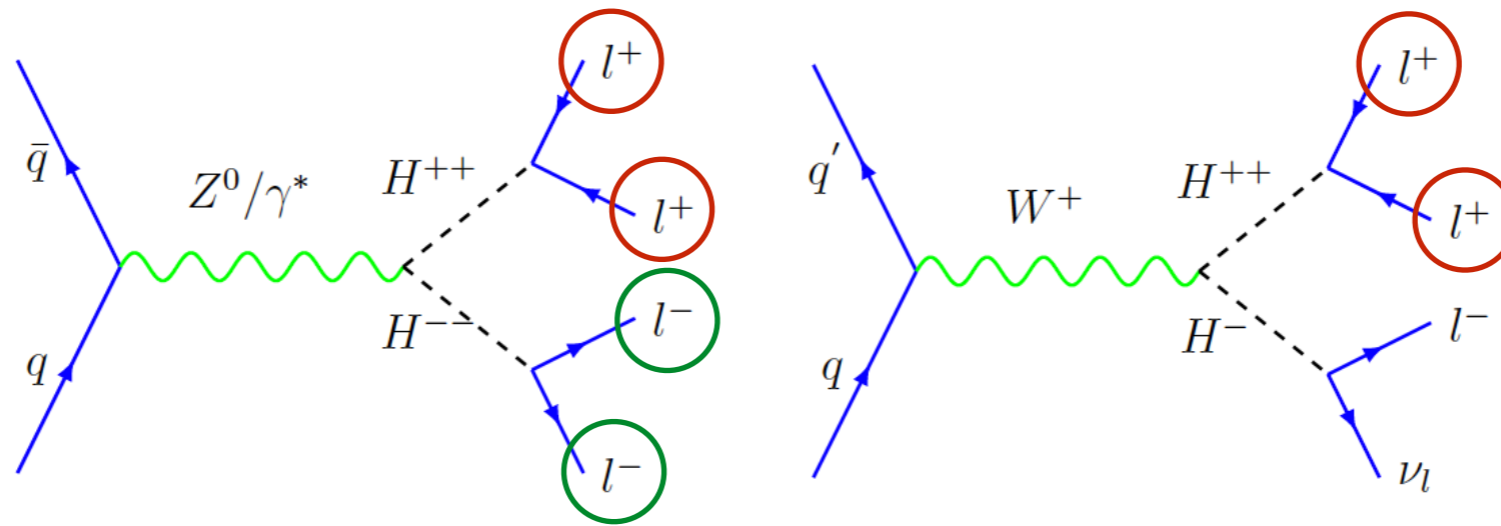


# Conclusions

- Decisive updates to several analyses, ranging from data-driven methods to broader interpretation of results.
- Considerable efforts ongoing using new signatures or updating previous analyses.
- More interesting results to come in the future!

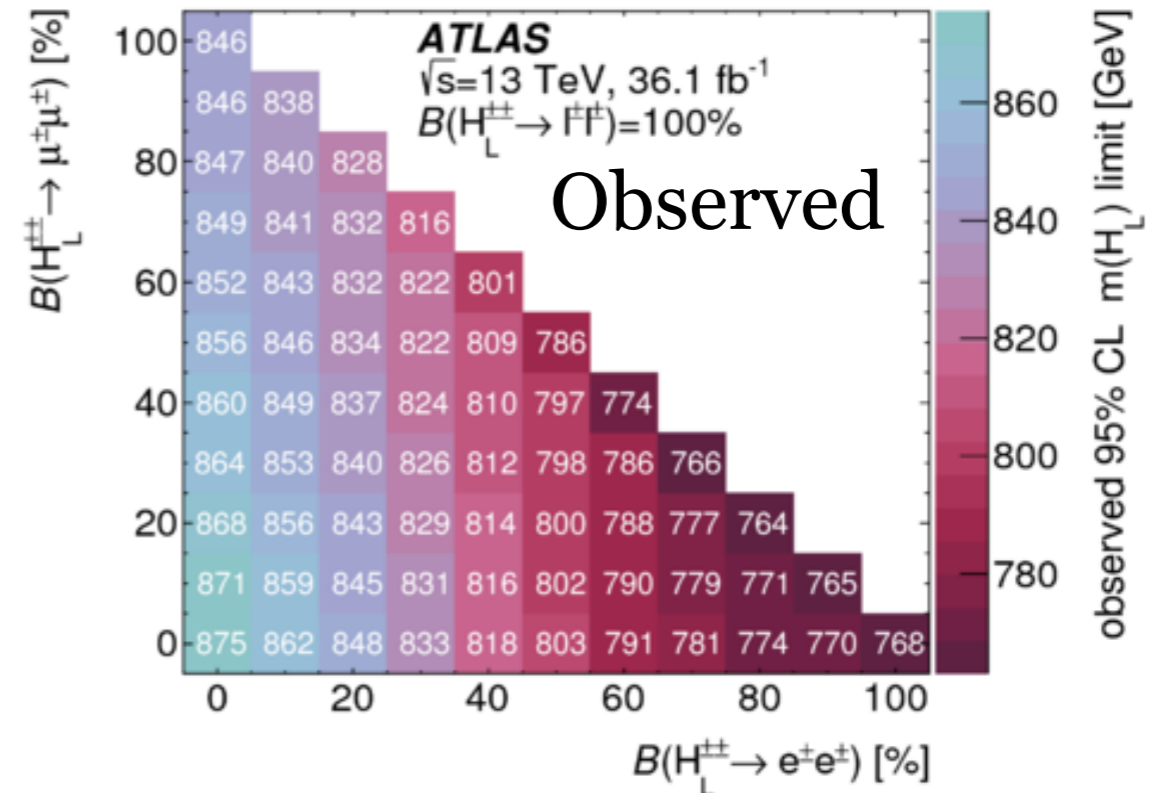
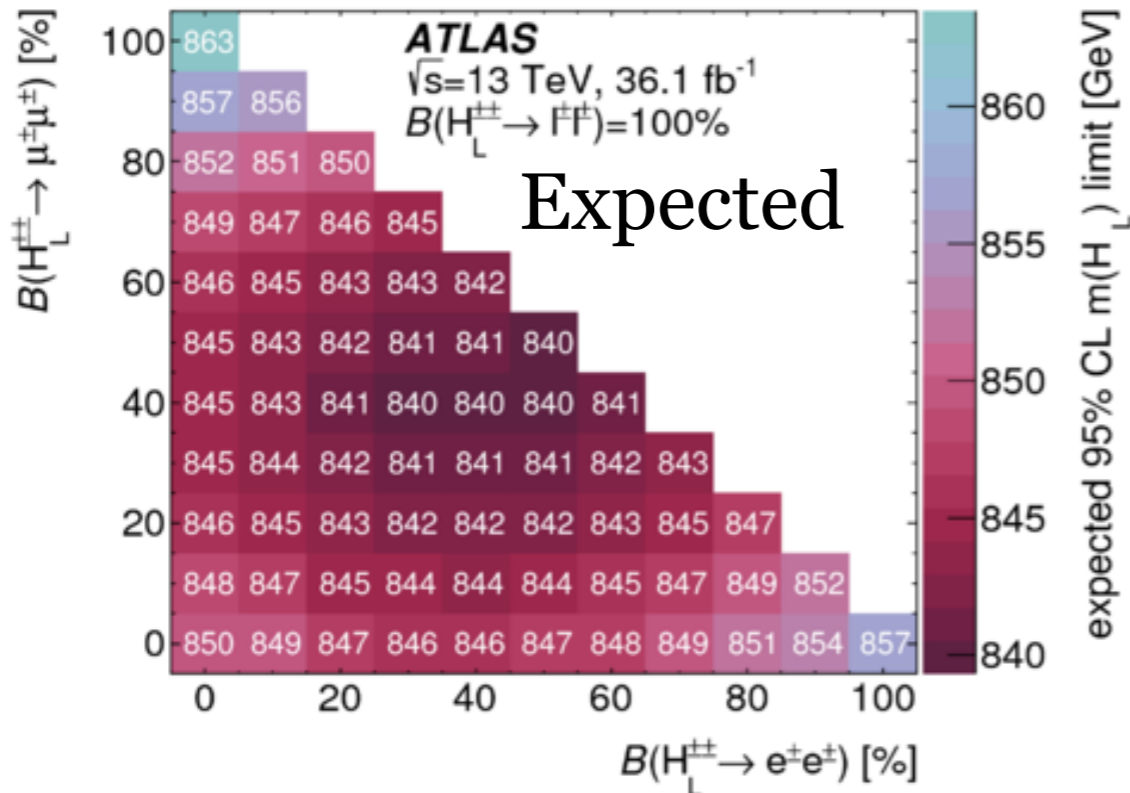
# Backup

# Same-sign leptons

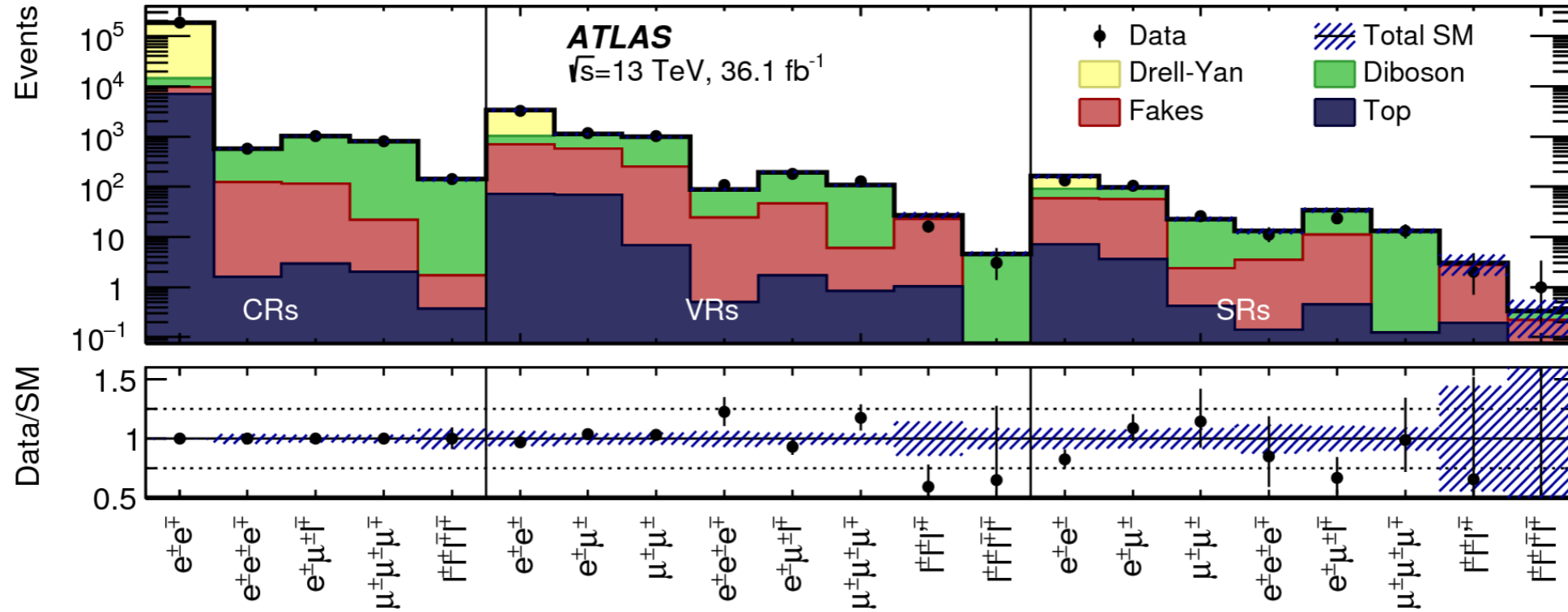


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- Same-charge pairs are boosted and consistent with a high mass state. Only electrons and muons.
- Categorised in same-charge pair multiplicity, lepton multiplicity and flavour combination.
- Mass exclusion limits obtained by varying branching ratios and fitting  $M(\ell^\pm, \ell^\pm)$ .



# Same-sign leptons



Region	Control Regions			Validation Regions			Signal Regions		
	OCCR	DBCR	4LCR	SCVR	3LVR	4LVR	1P2L	1P3L	2P4L
Electron channel	$e^\pm e^\mp$	$e^\pm e^\pm e^\mp$		$e^\pm e^\pm$	$e^\pm e^\pm e^\mp$		$e^\pm e^\pm$	$e^\pm e^\pm e^\mp$	
Mixed channel	-	$e^\pm \mu^\pm l^\mp$	$l^\pm l^\pm$ $l^\mp l^\mp$	$e^\pm \mu^\pm$	$e^\pm \mu^\pm l^\mp$ $l^\pm l^\pm l'^\mp$	$l^\pm l^\pm$ $l^\mp l^\mp$	$e^\pm \mu^\pm$	$e^\pm \mu^\pm l^\mp$ $l^\pm l^\pm l'^\mp$	$l^\pm l^\pm$ $l^\mp l^\mp$
Muon channel	-	$\mu^\pm \mu^\pm \mu^\mp$		$\mu^\pm \mu^\pm$	$\mu^\pm \mu^\pm \mu^\mp$		$\mu^\pm \mu^\pm$	$\mu^\pm \mu^\pm \mu^\mp$	
$m(e^\pm e^\pm)$ [GeV]	[130, 2000]	[90, 200)		[130, 200)	[90, 200)		[200, $\infty$ )	[200, $\infty$ )	
$m(l^\pm l^\pm)$ [GeV]	-	[90, 200)	[60, 150)	[130, 200)	[90, 200)	[150, 200)	[200, $\infty$ )	[200, $\infty$ )	[200, $\infty$ )
$m(\mu^\pm \mu^\pm)$ [GeV]	-	[60, 200)		[60, 200)	[60, 200)		[200, $\infty$ )	[200, $\infty$ )	
$b$ -jet veto	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
$Z$ veto	-	inverted	-	-	✓	-	-	✓	✓
$\Delta R(l^\pm, l^\pm) < 3.5$	-	-	-	-	-	-	✓	✓	-
$p_T(l^\pm l^\pm) > 100$ GeV	-	-	-	-	-	-	✓	✓	-
$\sum  p_T(l)  > 300$ GeV	-	-	-	-	-	-	✓	✓	-
$\Delta M/\bar{M}$ requirement	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	✓

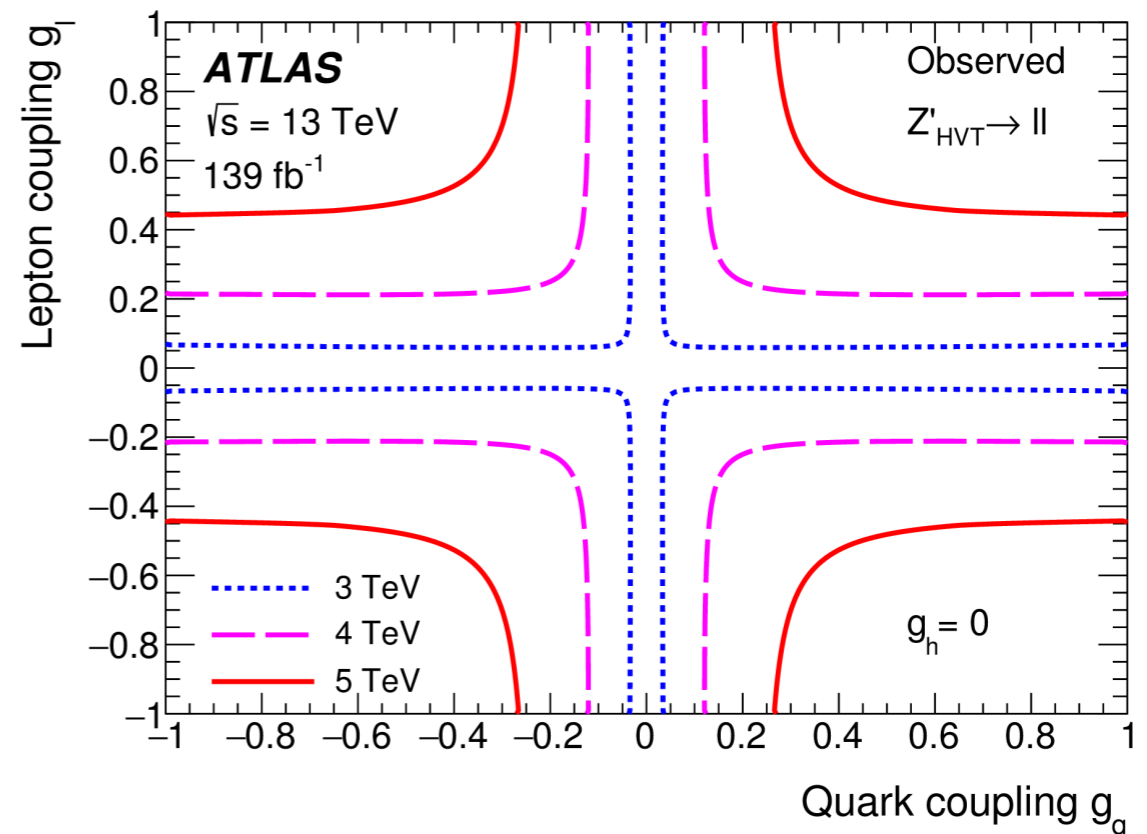
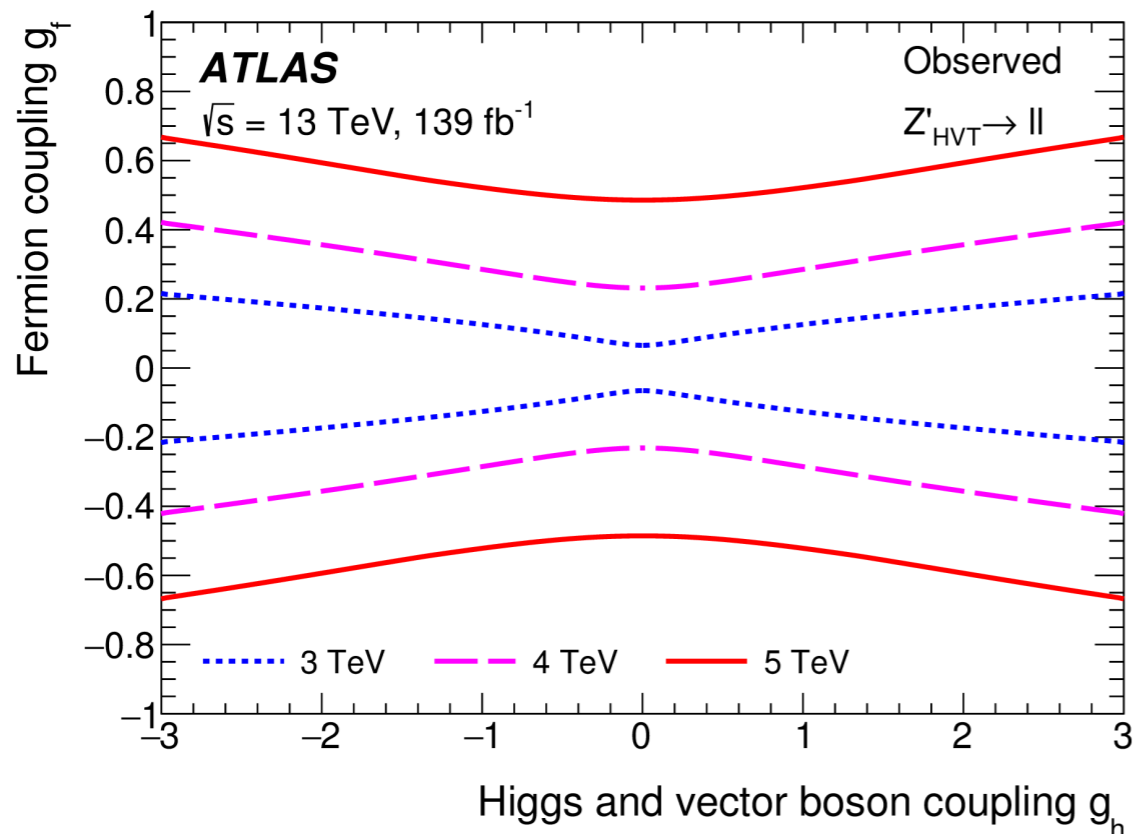
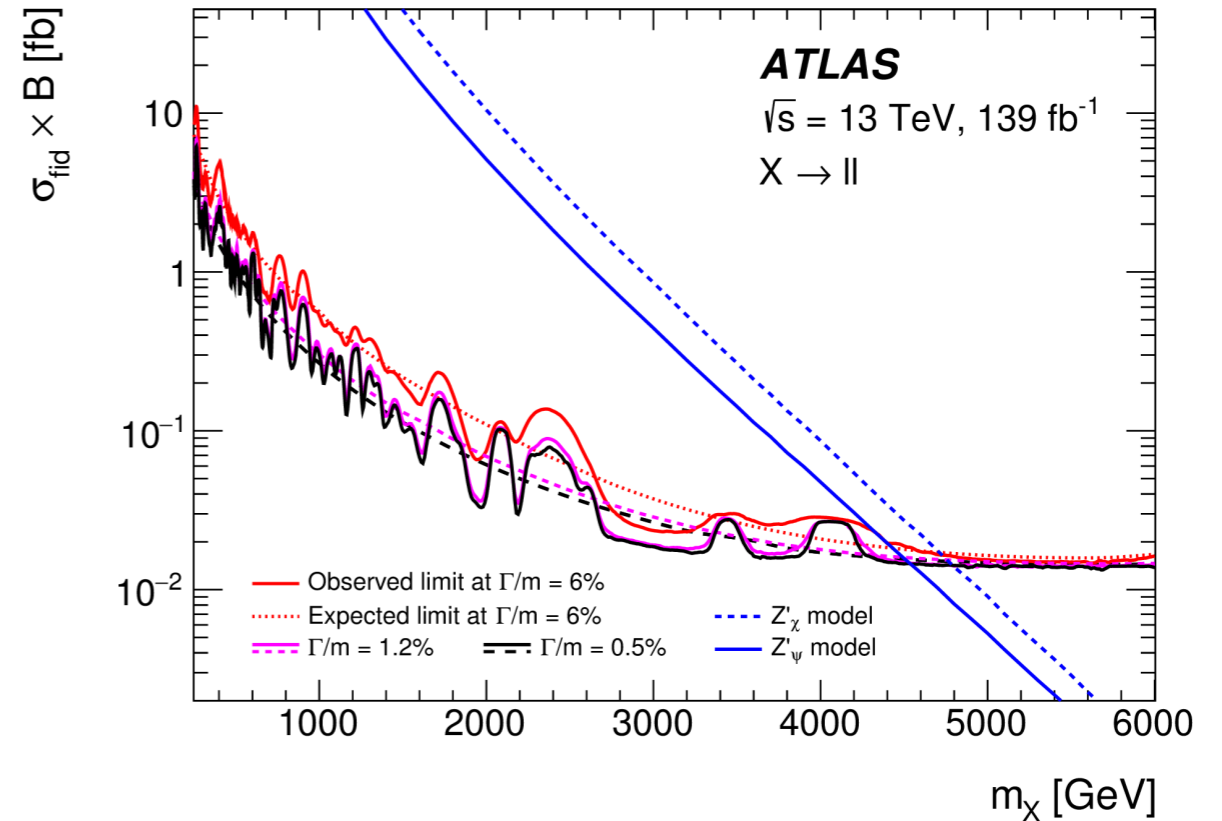
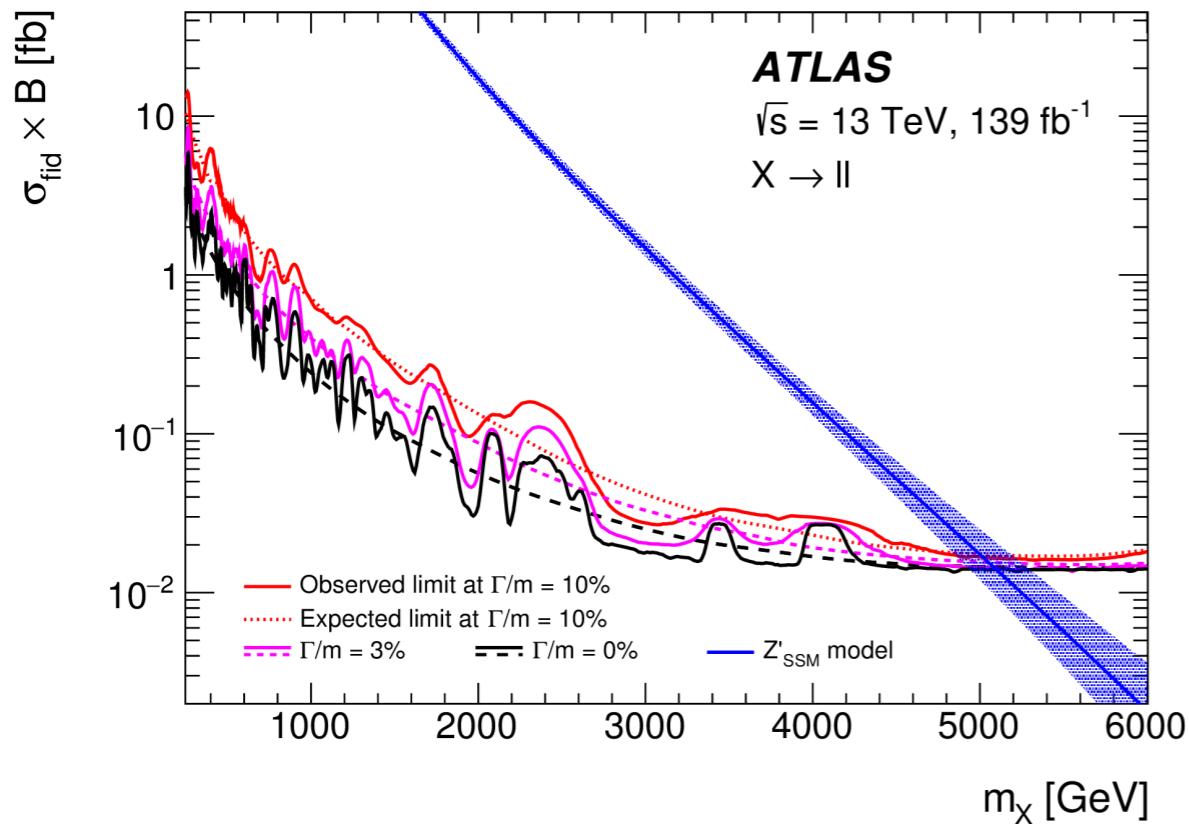
# Di-lepton resonance

$$f_{ee}(m_{ee}) = f_{\text{BW},Z}(m_{ee}) \cdot (1 - x^c)^b \cdot x^{\sum_{i=0}^3 p_i \log(x)^i}$$

Parameter	$ee$ channel	$\mu\mu$ channel
$a$	$178000 \pm 400$	$138700 \pm 400$
$b$	$1.5 \pm 1.0$	$11.8 \pm 0.5$
$p_0$	$-12.38 \pm 0.09$	$-7.38 \pm 0.12$
$p_1$	$-4.295 \pm 0.014$	$-4.132 \pm 0.017$
$p_2$	$-0.9191 \pm 0.0027$	$-1.0637 \pm 0.0029$
$p_3$	$-0.0845 \pm 0.0005$	$-0.1022 \pm 0.0005$

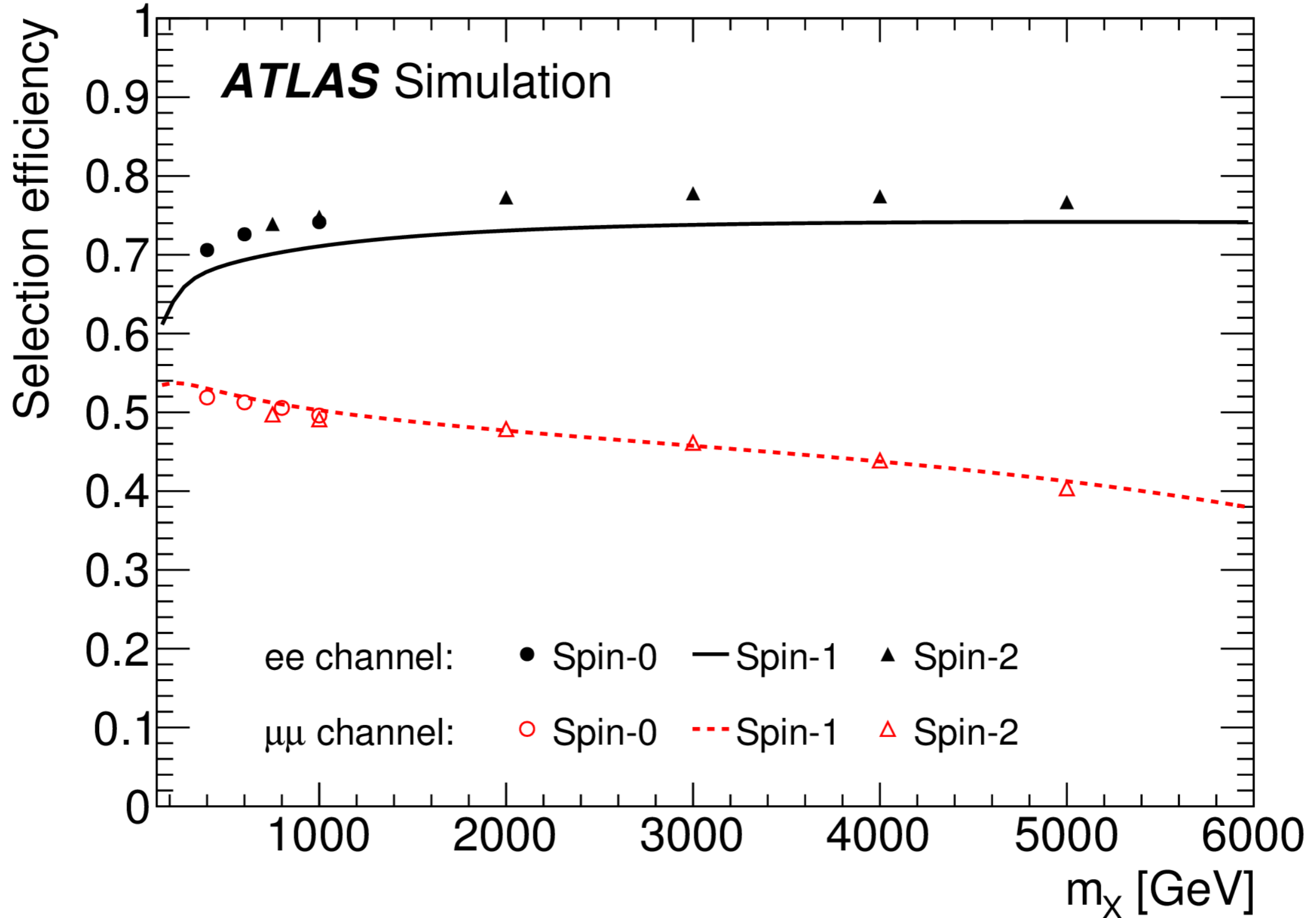
Uncertainty source for $m_X$ [GeV]	Dielectron			Dimuon		
	300	2000	5000	300	2000	5000
Spurious signal	$\pm 12.5$ (12.0)	$\pm 4.6$ (10.8)	$\pm 0.1$ (1.0)	$\pm 11.7$ (11.0)	$\pm 3.8$ (3.5)	$\pm 2.1$ (2.2)
Lepton identification	$\pm 1.6$ (1.6)	$\pm 5.6$ (5.6)	$\pm 5.6$ (5.6)	$\pm 1.8$ (1.8)	$^{+12}_{-10}$ ( $^{+12}_{-10}$ )	$^{+25}_{-20}$ ( $^{+25}_{-20}$ )
Isolation	$\pm 0.3$ (0.3)	$\pm 1.1$ (1.2)	$\pm 1.1$ (1.1)	$\pm 0.4$ (0.4)	$\pm 0.4$ (0.4)	$\pm 0.4$ (0.5)
Luminosity	$\pm 1.7$ (1.7)	$\pm 1.7$ (1.7)	$\pm 1.7$ (1.7)	$\pm 1.7$ (1.7)	$\pm 1.7$ (1.7)	$\pm 1.7$ (1.7)
Electron energy scale	$^{-1.7}_{-4.0}$ ( $^{+1.0}_{-1.8}$ )	$^{-1.9}_{-6.0}$ ( $^{+1.7}_{-2.9}$ )	$^{+0.1}_{-0.4}$ ( $\pm 0.8$ )	-	-	-
Electron energy resolution	$^{+7.9}_{-8.3}$ ( $^{+1.1}_{-0.9}$ )	$^{+9.0}_{-11.8}$ ( $^{+0.7}_{-0.5}$ )	$^{+0.4}_{-0.9}$ ( $\pm 0.1$ )	-	-	-
Muon ID resolution	-	-	-	$^{+0.8}_{-2.3}$ ( $^{+0.3}_{-0.8}$ )	$^{+0.9}_{-1.3}$ ( $^{+0.7}_{-1.1}$ )	$^{+0.6}_{-0.4}$ ( $^{+0.5}_{-0.3}$ )
Muon MS resolution	-	-	-	$^{+2.8}_{-3.8}$ ( $^{+1.0}_{-1.3}$ )	$^{+3.2}_{-3.0}$ ( $^{+2.6}_{-2.4}$ )	$\pm 2.4$ (2.1)
‘Good muon’ requirement	-	-	-	$\pm 0.6$ (0.6)	$^{+9.0}_{-8.2}$ ( $^{+9.0}_{-8.2}$ )	$^{+55}_{-35}$ ( $^{+55}_{-35}$ )

# Di-lepton resonance



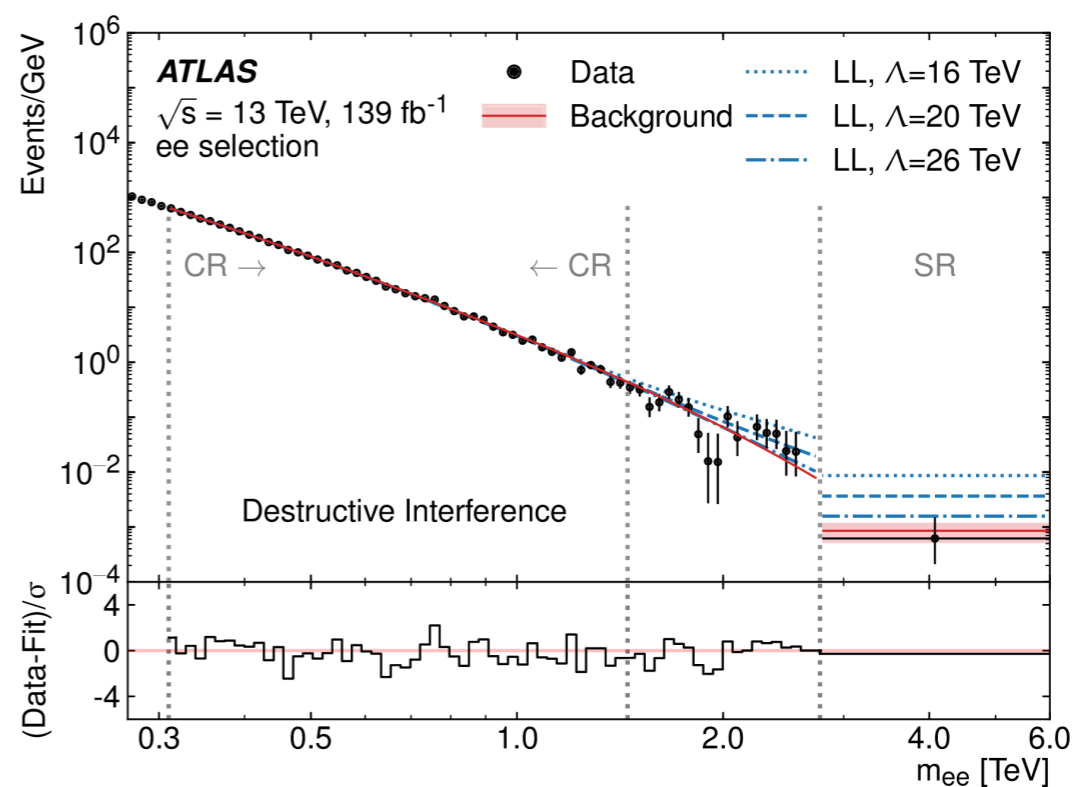
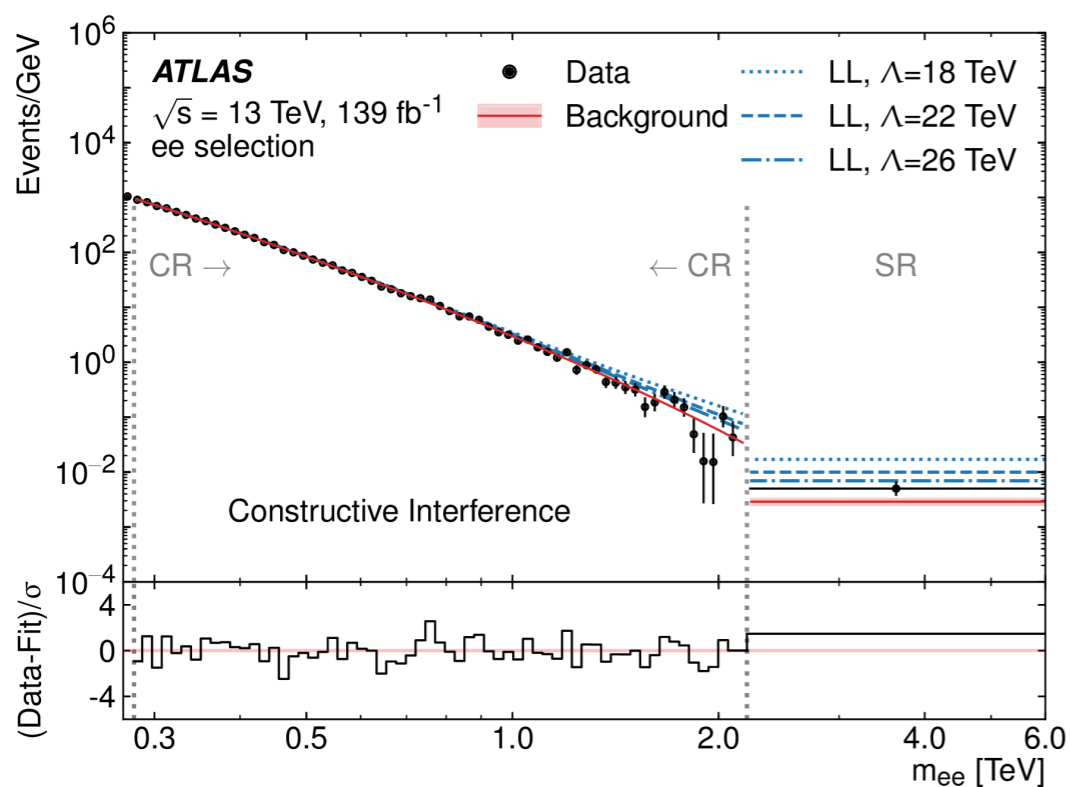


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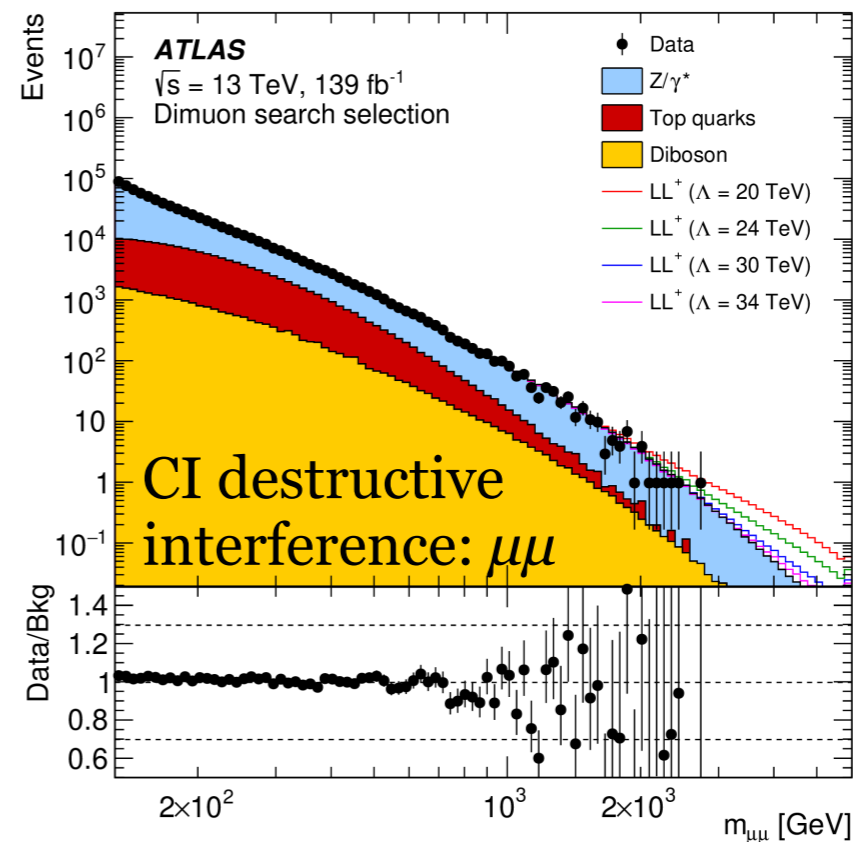
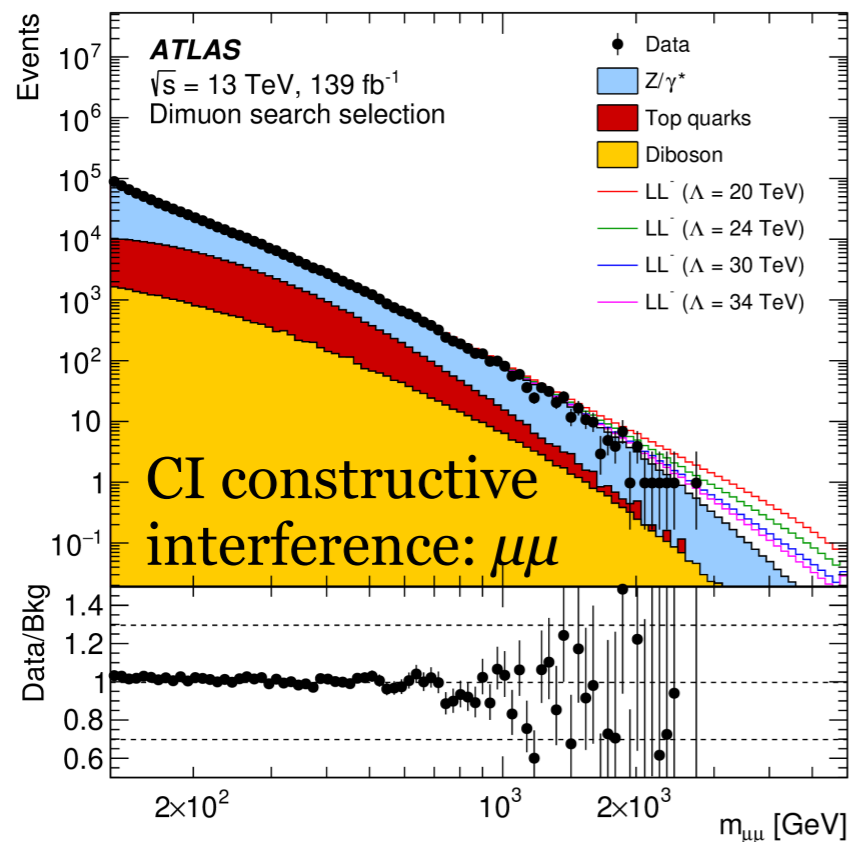
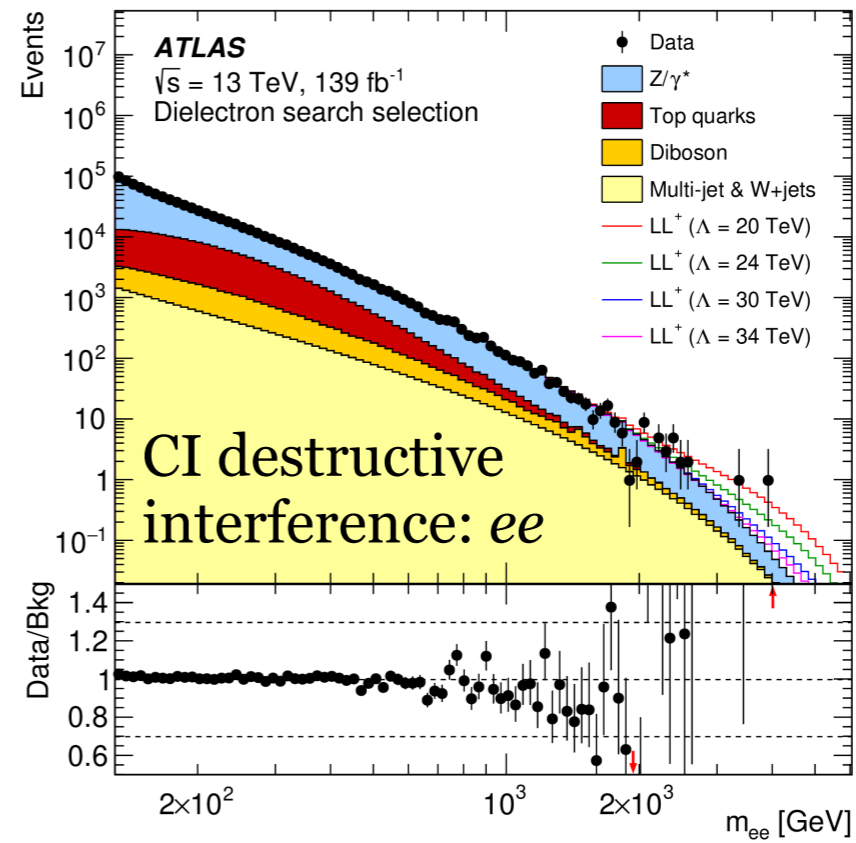
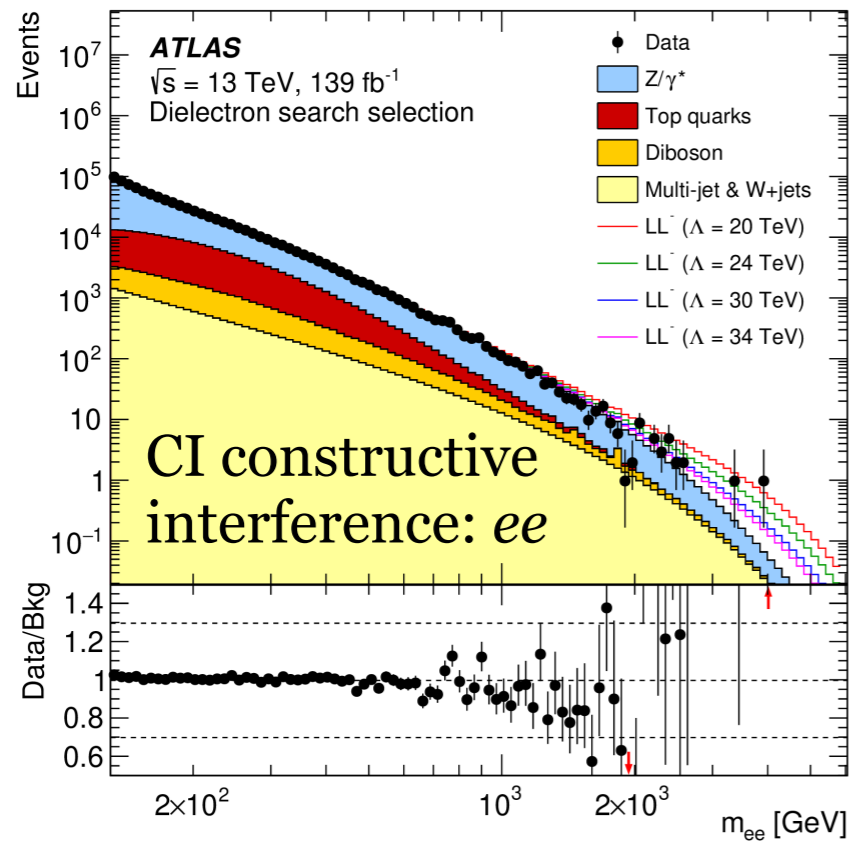


# Di-lepton non-resonant

Channel	Interference	Background uncertainties			Signal uncertainties	
		$\sigma_b^{\text{Stat}}$	$\sigma_b^{\text{ISS}}$	$\sigma_b^{\text{CRB}}$	$\sigma_s^{\text{Experiment}}$	$\sigma_s^{\text{Theory}}$
$e^+e^-$	Constructive	14%	4%	2%	8%	+11% -10%
$e^+e^-$	Destructive	34%	7%	1%	8%	+14% -13%
$\mu^+\mu^-$	Constructive	21%	6%	2%	+20% -17%	+10% -9%
$\mu^+\mu^-$	Destructive	58%	24%	4%	+27% -22%	+13% -12%



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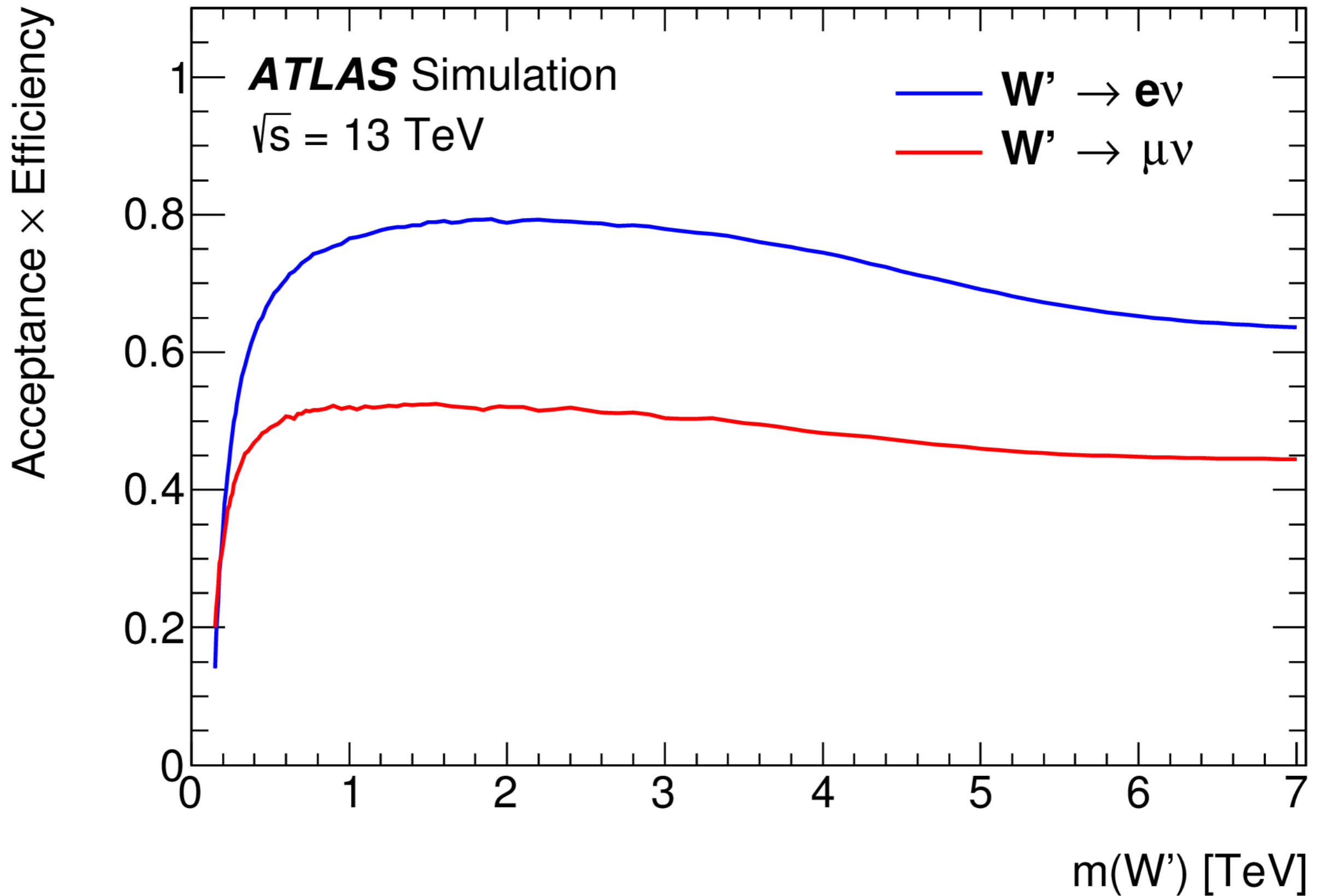
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Channel	Interference	$\Lambda = 20$ TeV		$\Lambda = 30$ TeV		$\Lambda = 40$ TeV	
		$N_{\text{sig}}$	$\mathcal{A} \times \epsilon_{\text{sig}}$ [%]	$N_{\text{sig}}$	$\mathcal{A} \times \epsilon_{\text{sig}}$ [%]	$N_{\text{sig}}$	$\mathcal{A} \times \epsilon_{\text{sig}}$ [%]
Signal(LL)							
$e^+e^-$	const	39.1±3.1	69	10.3±0.8	69	4.4±0.4	69
$e^+e^-$	dest	9.6±0.8	70	0.96±0.08	70	-0.10±0.01	69
$\mu^+\mu^-$	const	28.5±5.8	43	7.7±1.6	43	3.4±0.7	43
$\mu^+\mu^-$	dest	7.1±1.9	43	0.55±0.15	42	-0.21±0.05	44
Signal(LR)							
$e^+e^-$	const	34.0±2.7	69	8.0±0.6	69	3.1±0.25	69
$e^+e^-$	dest	11.7±1.0	70	1.9±0.2	70	0.41±0.03	70
$\mu^+\mu^-$	const	24.6±5.0	43	5.9±1.2	43	2.4±0.5	43
$\mu^+\mu^-$	dest	9.0±2.4	43	1.4±0.4	43	0.25±0.07	42
Signal(RL)							
$e^+e^-$	const	33.8±2.7	69	7.9±0.6	69	3.1±0.2	69
$e^+e^-$	dest	11.7±1.0	70	1.9±0.2	70	0.40±0.03	70
$\mu^+\mu^-$	const	24.3±4.9	43	5.8±1.2	43	2.3±0.5	43
$\mu^+\mu^-$	dest	9.0±2.4	43	1.4±0.4	43	0.26±0.07	42
Signal(RR)							
$e^+e^-$	const	38.6±3.1	69	10.1±0.8	69	4.3±0.3	69
$e^+e^-$	dest	9.9±0.8	70	1.1±0.1	70	$ N_{\text{sig}}  < 0.01$	67
$\mu^+\mu^-$	const	28.2±5.7	43	7.6±1.5	43	3.3±0.7	43
$\mu^+\mu^-$	dest	7.3±2.0	43	0.65±0.17	42	-0.15±0.04	44

# lepton + missing energy

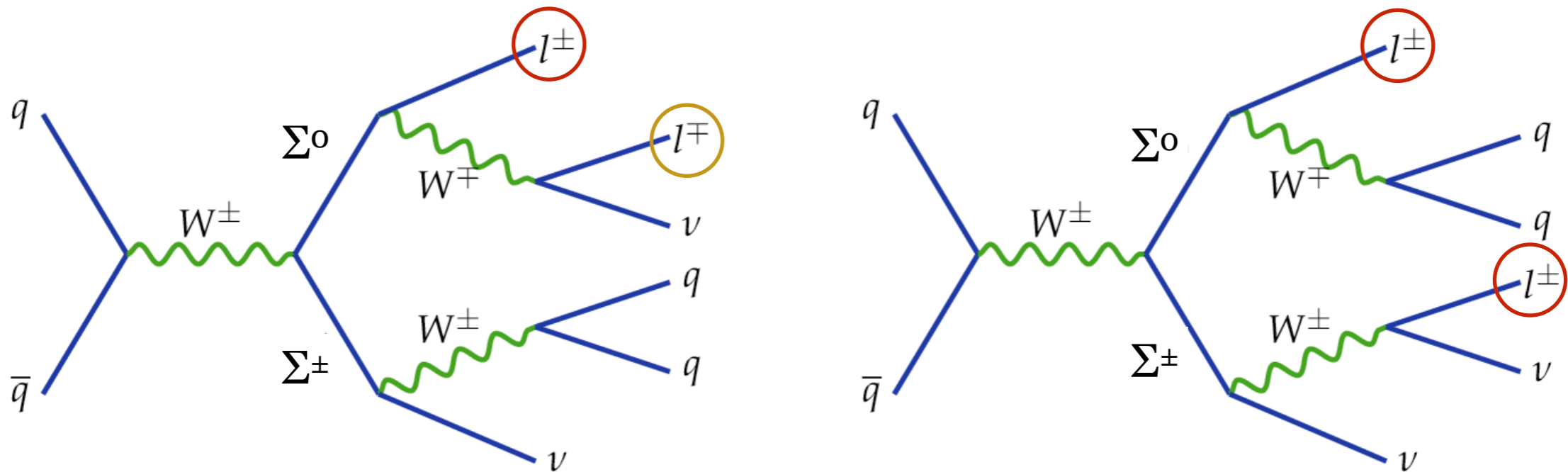
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	Background $m_T = 2$ (6) TeV	Signal $m_T = 2$ (6) TeV	Background $m_T = 2$ (6) TeV	Signal $m_T = 2$ (6) TeV
Trigger	negl. (negl.)	negl. (negl.)	1.1% (1.0%)	1.2% (1.2%)
Lepton reconstruction and identification	4.1% (1.4%)	4.3% (4.3%)	8.9% (37%)	6.6% (38%)
Lepton momentum scale and resolution	3.9% (2.7%)	2.7% (4.5%)	12% (47%)	13% (20%)
$E_T^{\text{miss}}$ resolution and scale	<0.5% (<0.5%)	<0.5% (<0.5%)	<0.5% (<0.5%)	<0.5% (<0.5%)
Jet energy resolution	<0.5% (<0.5%)	<0.5% (<0.5%)	<0.5% (0.6%)	<0.5% (<0.5%)
Multijet background	4.4% (420%)	N/A (N/A)	0.8% (1.5%)	N/A (N/A)
Top-quark background	0.8% (1.9%)	N/A (N/A)	0.7% (<0.5%)	N/A (N/A)
Diboson extrapolation	1.5% (47%)	N/A (N/A)	1.3% (9.7%)	N/A (N/A)
PDF choice for DY	1.0% (10%)	N/A (N/A)	<0.5% (1.0%)	N/A (N/A)
PDF variation for DY	8.1% (13%)	N/A (N/A)	7.4% (14%)	N/A (N/A)
EW corrections for DY	4.2% (4.5%)	N/A (N/A)	3.7% (7.0%)	N/A (N/A)
Luminosity	1.6% (1.1%)	1.7% (1.7%)	1.7% (1.7%)	1.7% (1.7%)
Total	12% (430%)	5.4% (6.4%)	17% (62%)	15% (43%)

# lepton + missing energy



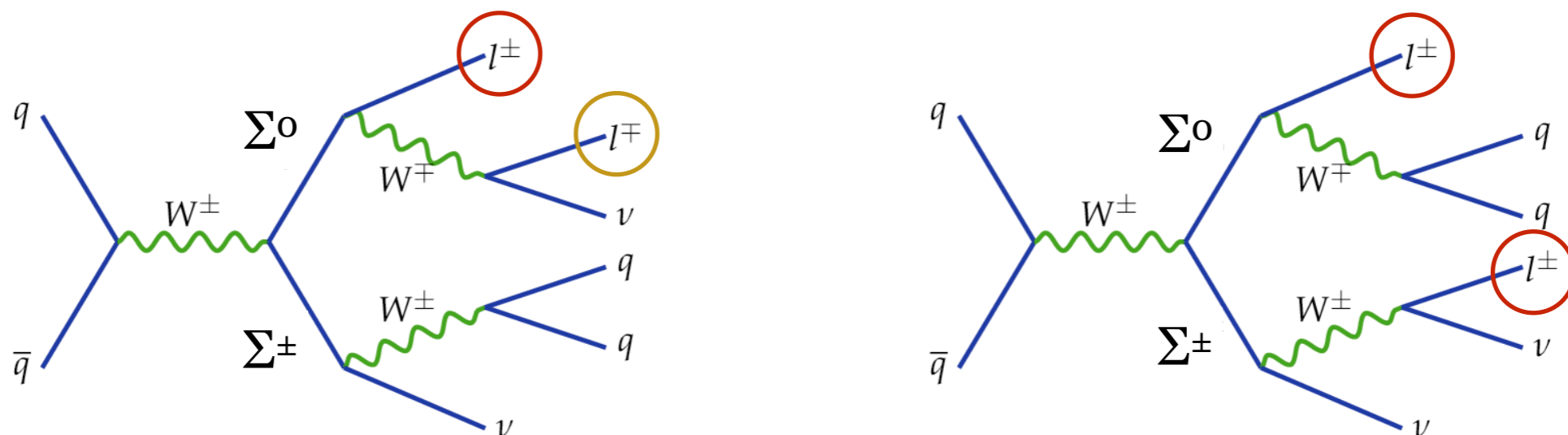
# Type-III signatures

- Mass degenerate  $\Sigma^0$  and  $\Sigma^\pm$  due to gauge invariance: one free parameter.
- Production of  $\Sigma$  via gauge interaction.



- **$pp \rightarrow \Sigma^0 \Sigma^\pm \rightarrow llqq$**
- Two leptons in final state with same or opposite charge.
- Other decay modes found negligible in final selection.

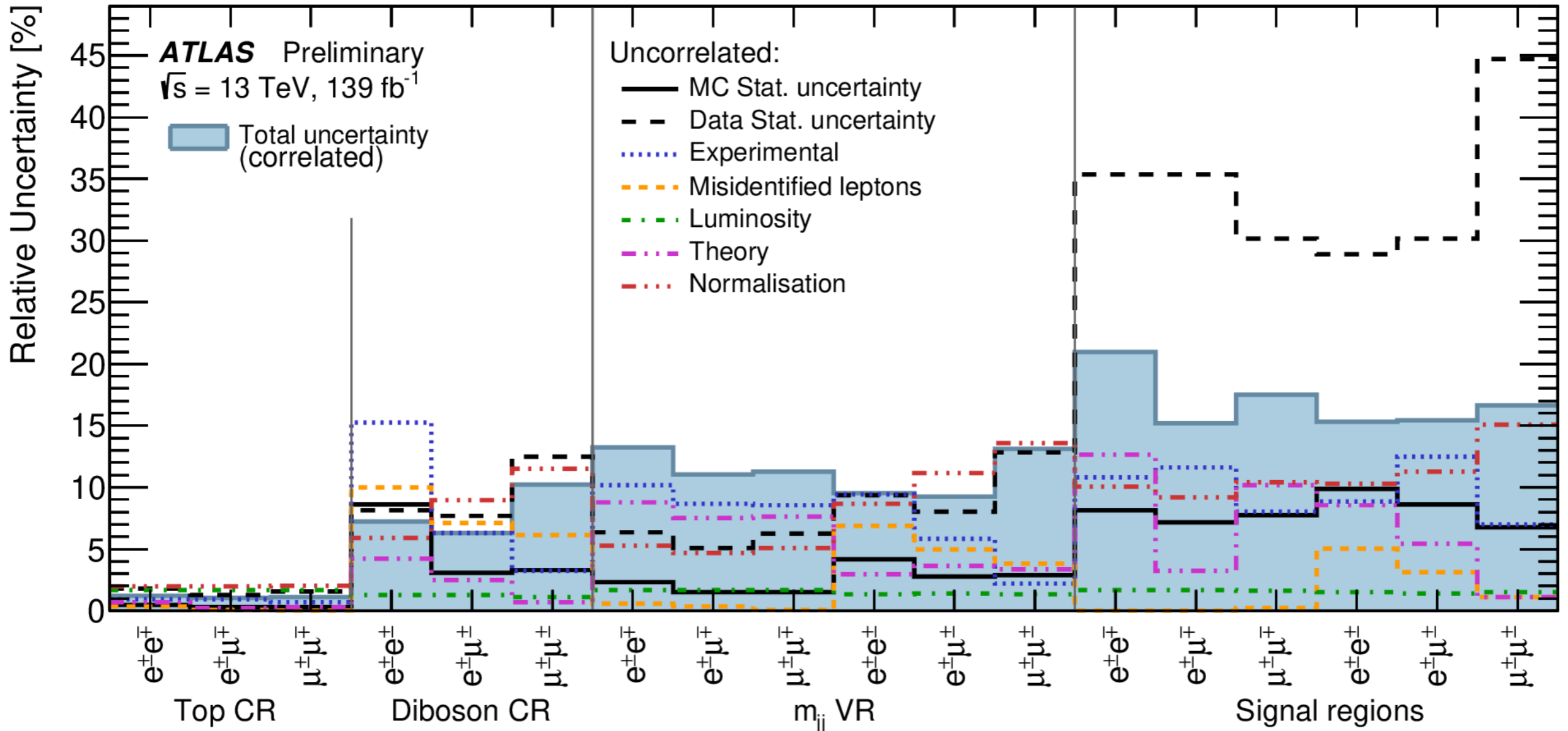
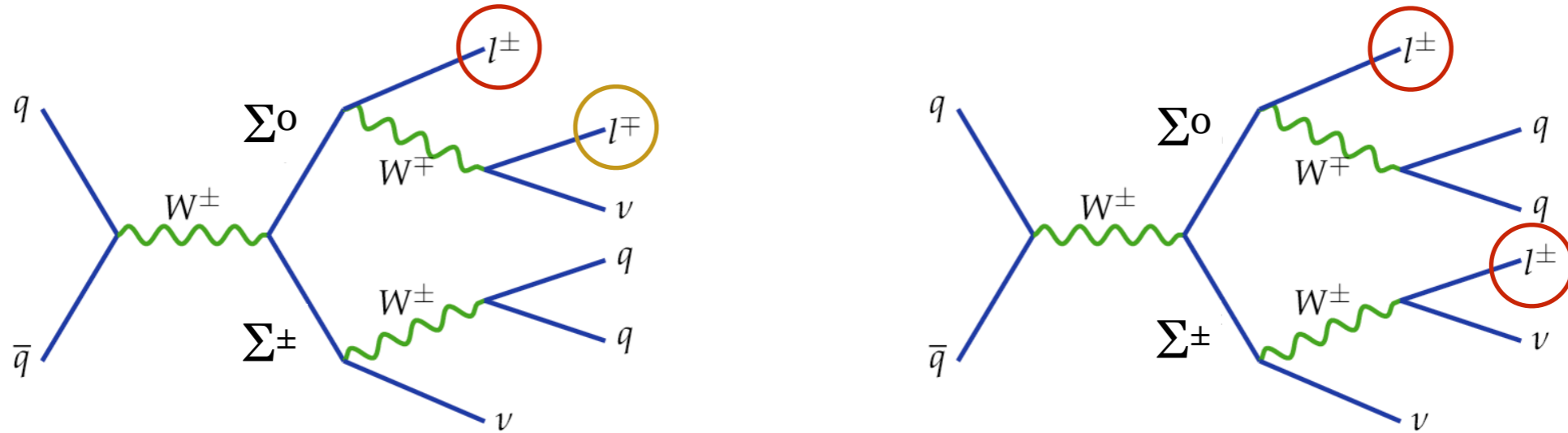
# Semi-leptonic: heavy leptons



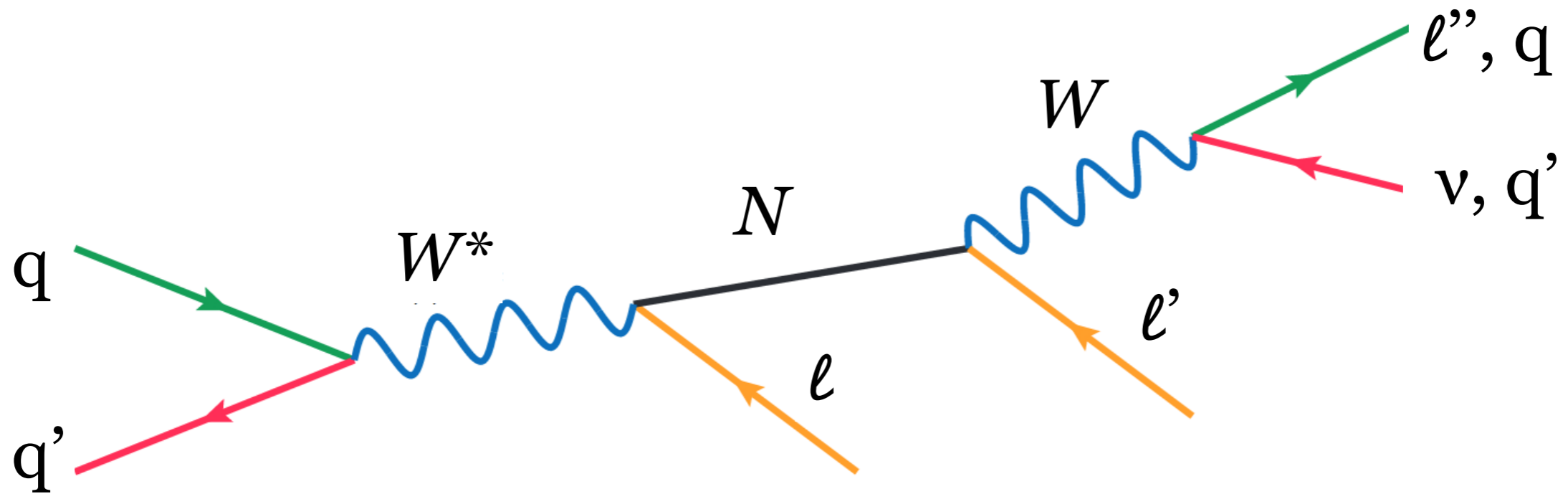
	<b>OS</b> ( $l^+l^- = e^+e^-, e^\pm\mu^\mp, \mu^+\mu^-$ )			<b>SS</b> ( $l^\pm l^\pm = e^\pm e^\pm, e^\pm\mu^\pm, \mu^\pm\mu^\pm$ )		
	Top CR	$m_{jj}$ VR	SR	Diboson CR	$m_{jj}$ VR	SR
$N(\text{jet})$	$\geq 2$	$\geq 2$	$\geq 2$	$\geq 2$	$\geq 2$	$\geq 2$
$N(b\text{-jet})$	$\geq 2$	0	0	0	0	0
$m_{jj}$ [GeV]	(60, 100)	$(35, 60) \cup (100, 125)$	(60, 100)	$(0, 60) \cup (100, 300)$	$(0, 60) \cup (100, 300)$	(60, 100)
$m_{\ell\ell}$ [GeV]	$\geq 110$	$\geq 110$	$\geq 110$	$\geq 100$	$\geq 100$	$\geq 100$
$\mathcal{S}(E_T^{\text{miss}})$	$\geq 5$	$\geq 10$	$\geq 10$	$\geq 5$	$\geq 5$	$\geq 7.5$
$\Delta\phi(E_T^{\text{miss}}, \ell)_{\min}$	—	—	$\geq 1$	—	—	—
$p_T(jj)$ [GeV]	—	—	$\geq 100$	—	—	$\geq 60$
$p_T(\ell\ell)$ [GeV]	—	—	$\geq 100$	—	—	$\geq 100$
$H_T + E_T^{\text{miss}}$ [GeV]	$\geq 300$	$\geq 300$	$\geq 300$	(300, 500)	$\geq 500$	$\geq 300$



# Semi-leptonic: heavy leptons



# Type-I signatures

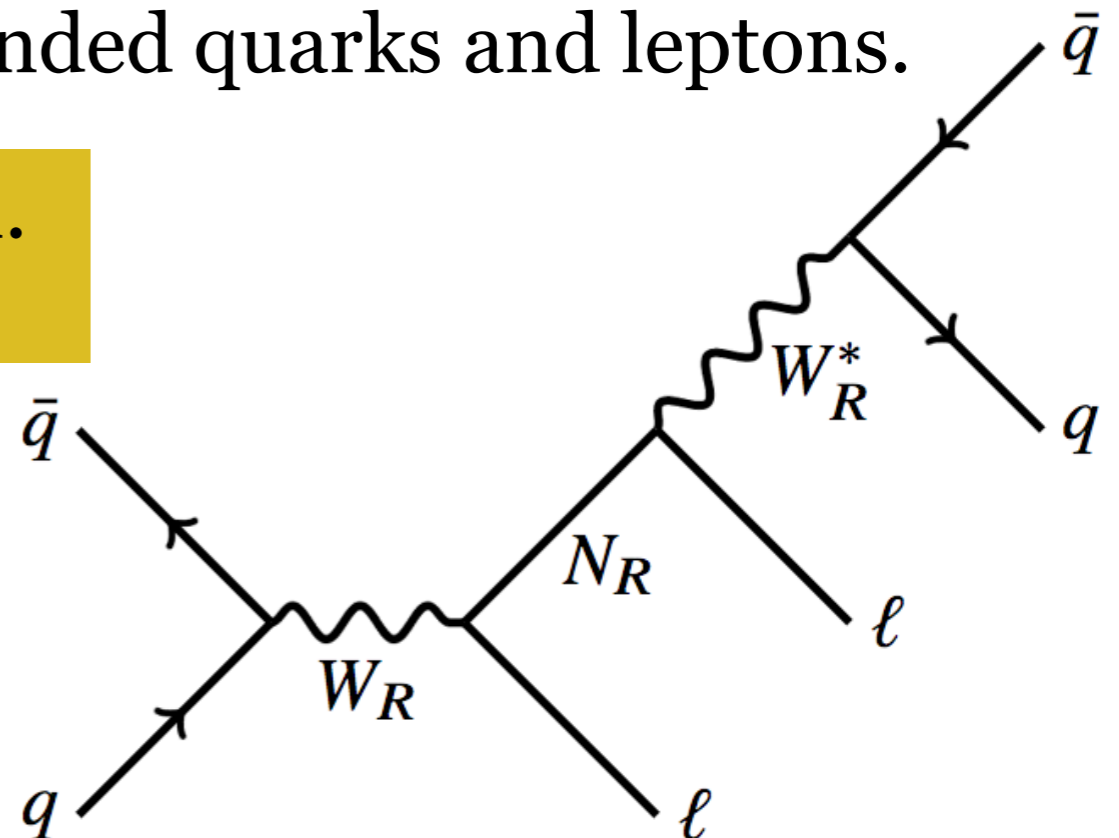


- In minimal and MI Type-I see-saw, the heavy neutrino parameters,  $\mathbf{m}_N$  and mixing matrix elements  $|\mathbf{U}_{\nu N}|^2$  are free.
- Heavy neutrino produced via mixings with SM neutrinos.
- Search strategies based on  $m_N$  vs  $m_W$  hypothesis.
- $W^*$  is **on-shell** at very low  $m_N$ . **Off-shell** otherwise. Also:
  - $\mathbf{m}_N \ll \mathbf{m}_W$ : soft and displaced  $N$  decay products.
  - $\mathbf{m}_N < / \approx / > \mathbf{m}_W$ : hierarchies of  $p_T(\ell)$  vs  $p_T(\ell')$ . E.g.  $\ell'$  dominates at high  $\mathbf{m}_N$ .
  - $\mathbf{m}_N \gg \mathbf{m}_W$ : boosted decay products (jets).

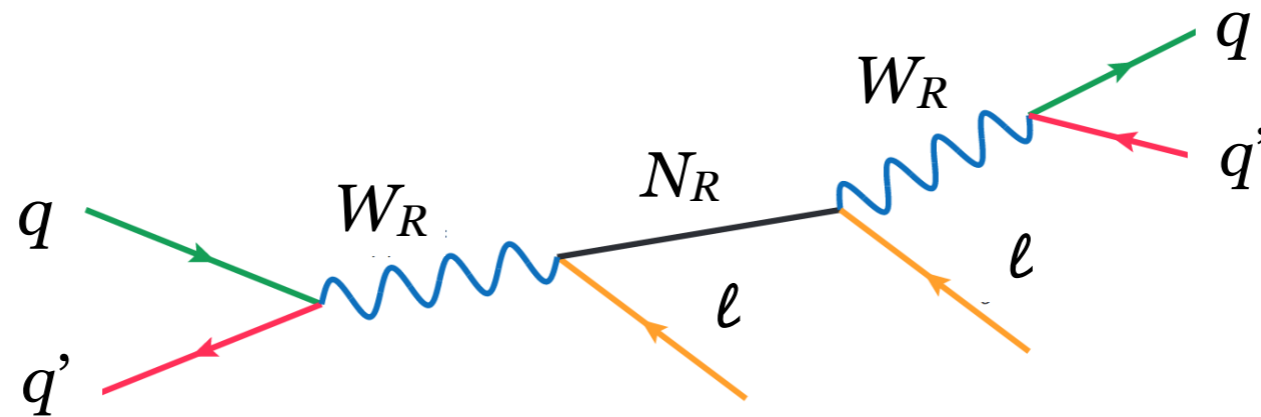
# Left-Right symmetric models

- Naturally embed the **Type-I** see-saw mechanism after EWSB.
- Motivated by explaining parity violation in weak decays by introducing a **new high-scale  $SU(2)_R$**  group.
- Extend gauge sector with  $W_R, Z'$  with right-handed counterparts of SM leptons, including three flavours of  $N_R$  with identical masses.
- Perfect symmetry at high-scales: new gauge bosons interact with SM particles with  $g_R = g_L$ . Also  $(CKM)_R = (CKM)_L$ .
- Assumes **universality** of all right-handed quarks and leptons.

- LRSM addressed in the  $\ell\ell qq$  channel.
- $m_N$  and  $m_W$  as free parameters.

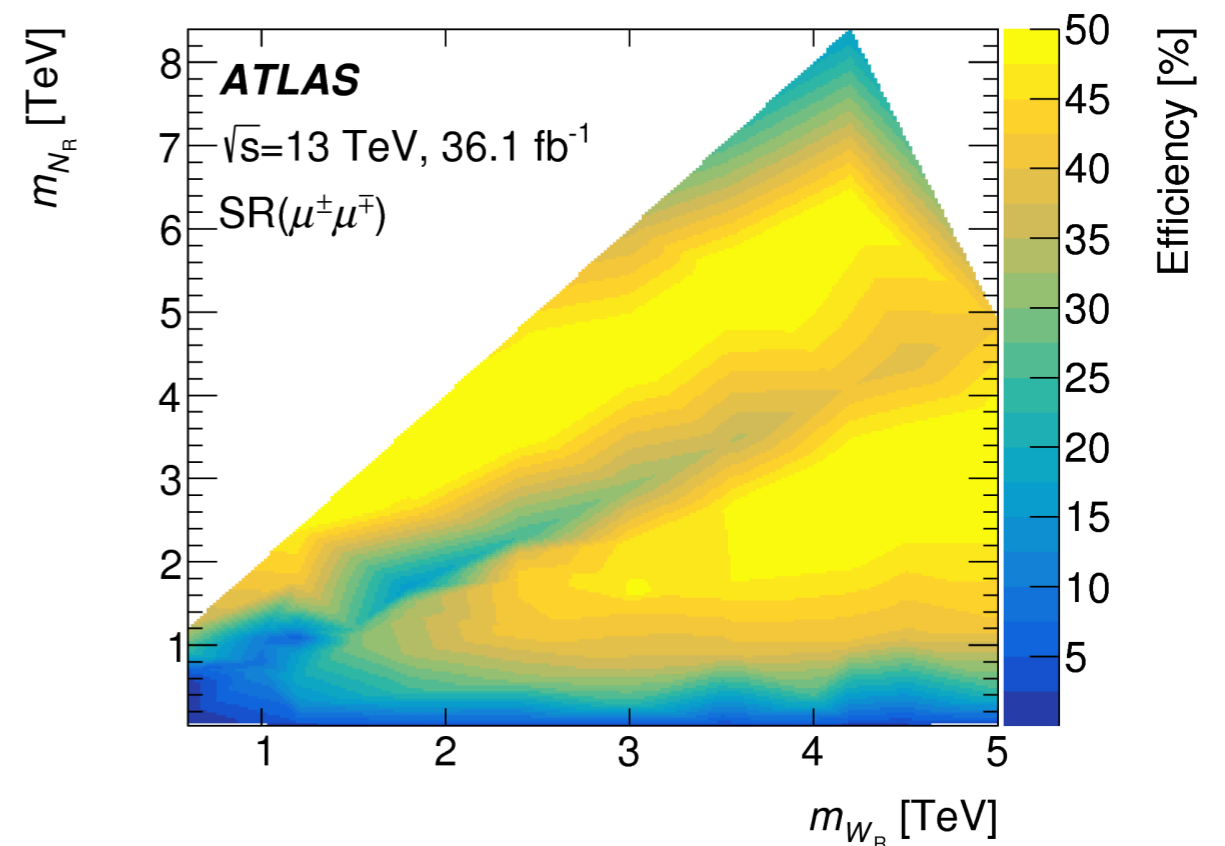
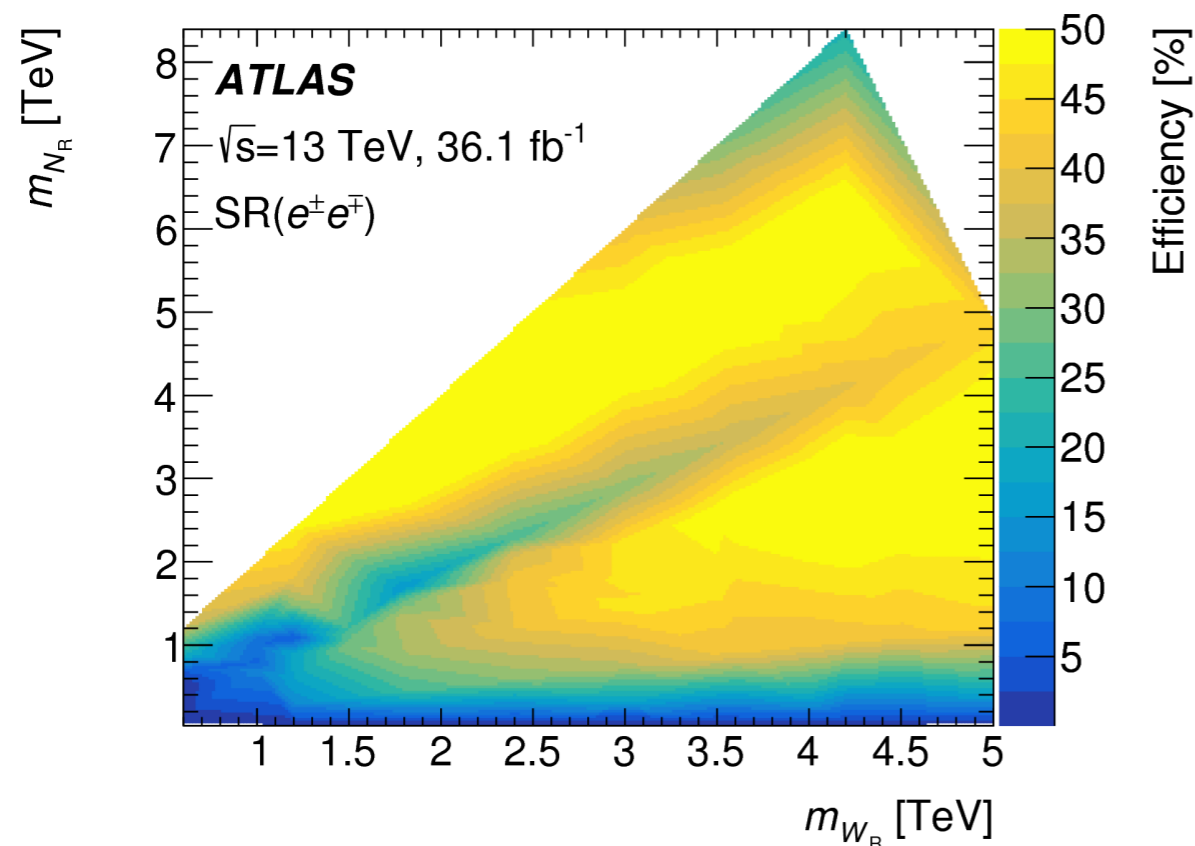
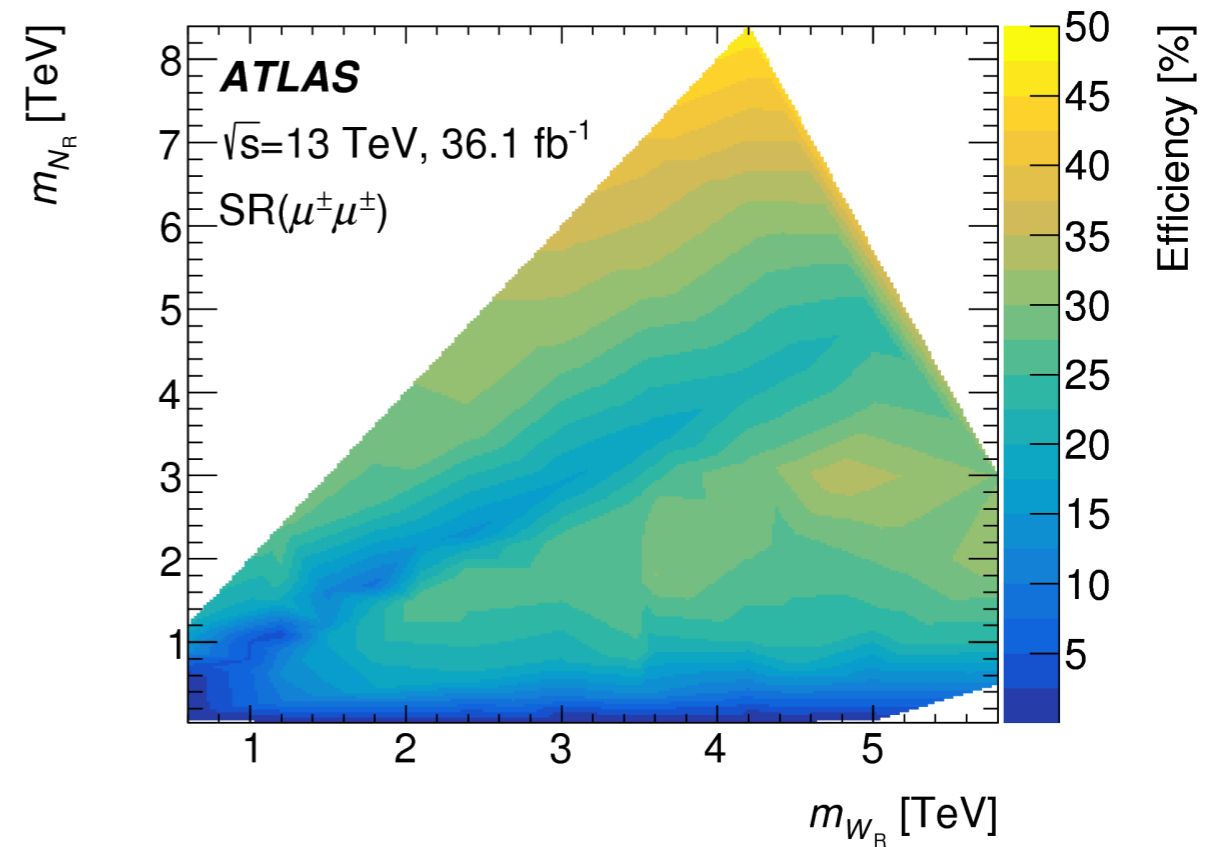
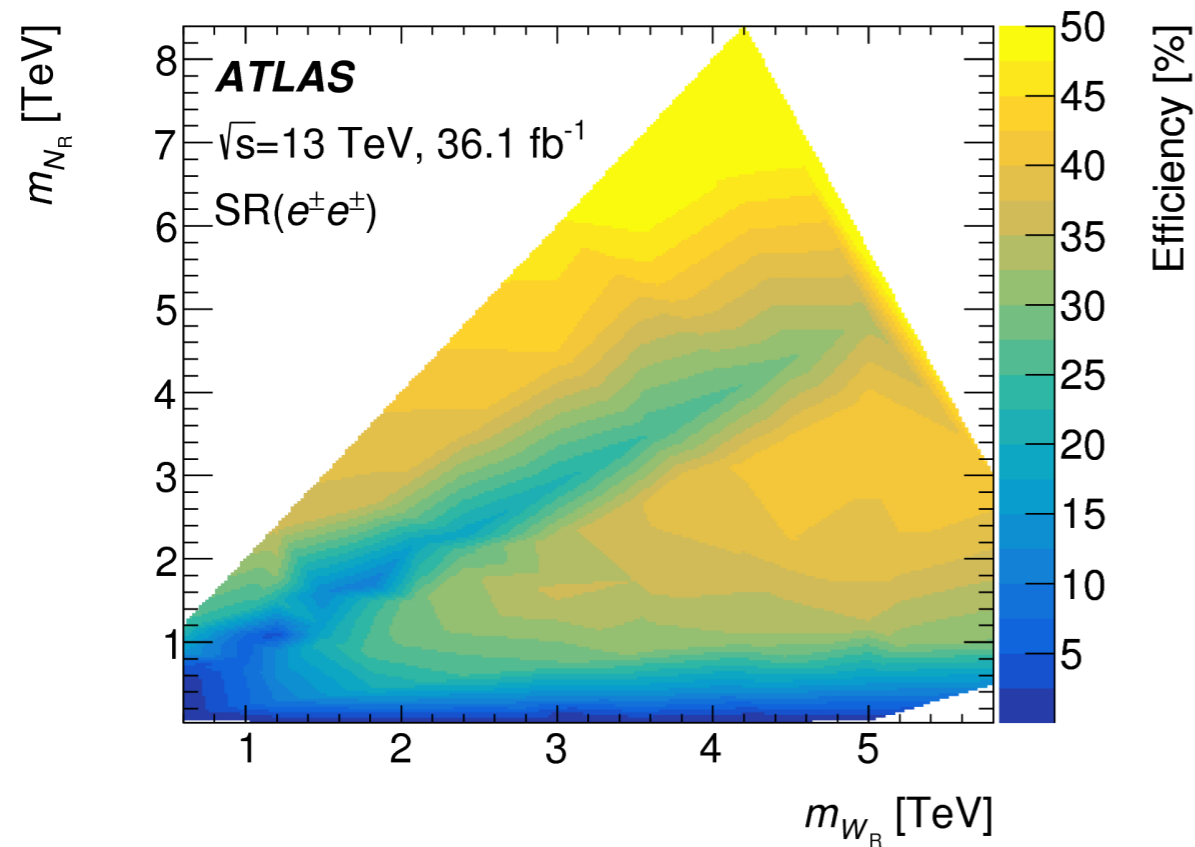


# Semi-leptonic heavy neutrino and W: resolved

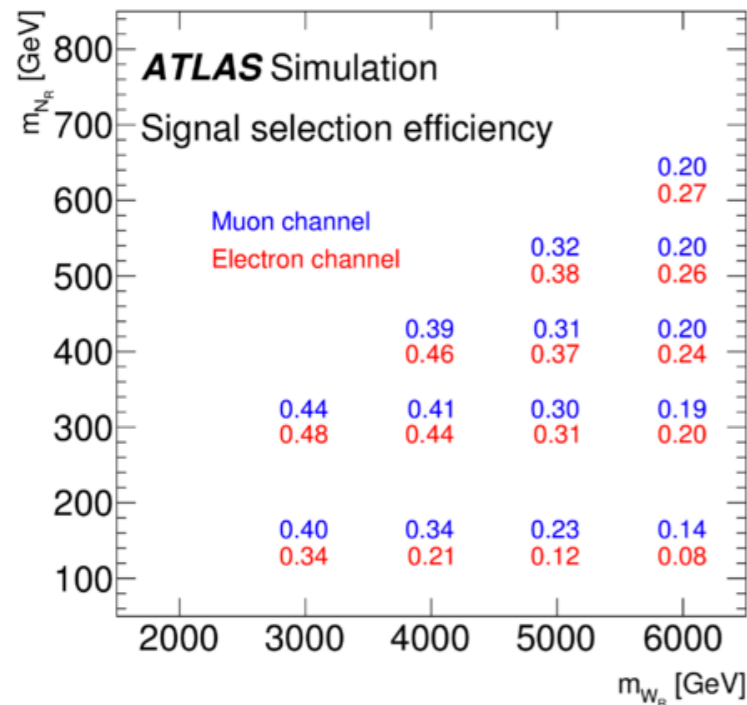
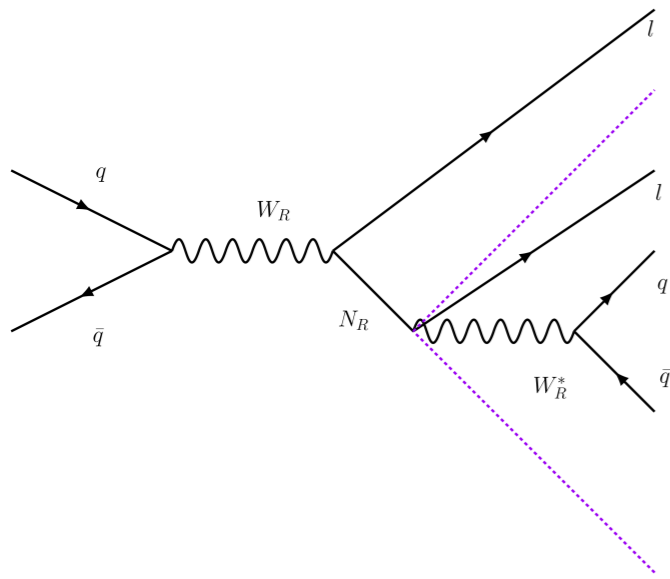


Region	Control region			Validation region		Signal region	
Channel	CR( $l^\pm l^\mp$ )	CR( $l^\pm l'^\mp$ )	CR( $l^\pm l^\pm$ )	VR( $l^\pm l^\mp$ )	VR( $l^\pm l^\pm$ )	SR( $l^\pm l^\mp$ )	SR( $l^\pm l^\pm$ )
$m_{ee}$ [GeV]	[60, 110]	—	[110, 300]	[110, 400]	[300, 400]	> 400	> 400
$m_{\mu\mu}$ [GeV]	[60, 110]	—	[60, 300]	[110, 400]	[300, 400]	> 400	> 400
$m_{e\mu}$ [GeV]	—	> 400	—	—	—	—	—
$H_T$ [GeV]	> 400	> 400	—	> 400	—	> 400	> 400
$m_{jj}$ [GeV]	> 110	> 110	—	> 110	—	> 110	> 110
Jet $p_T$ [GeV]	> 100	> 100	> 50	> 100	> 50	> 100	> 100

# Semi-leptonic heavy neutrino and W: resolved



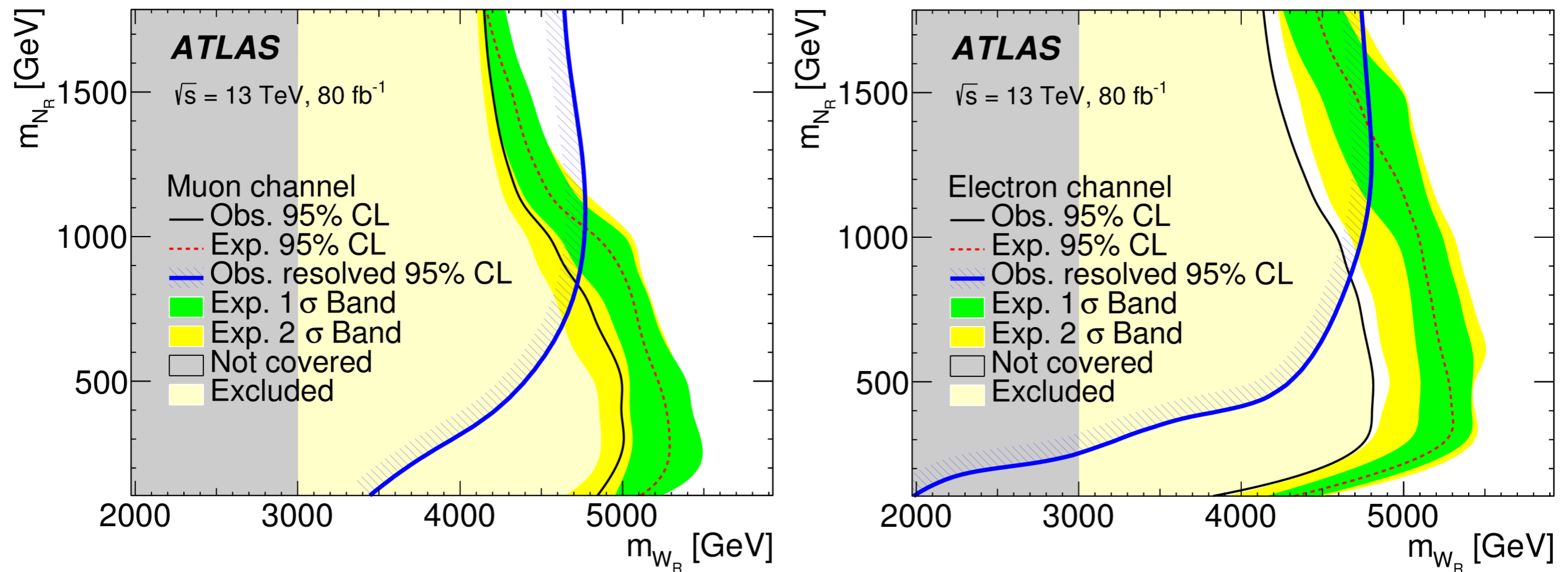
# Semi-leptonic heavy neutrino and W: boosted



	Electron channel	Muon channel
<b>Lepton:</b>		
$p_T$	$> 26$ GeV	$> 28$ GeV
$ \eta $	$ \eta  < 1.37$ or $1.52 <  \eta  < 2.47$	$< 2.5$
Leading lepton quality	Medium [61], isolated [61]	Medium [62], isolated [62]
Subleading lepton quality	Medium, no isolation	Medium, no isolation
Transverse impact parameter significance	$ d_0 /\sigma_{d_0} < 5.0$	$ d_0 /\sigma_{d_0} < 3.0$
Longitudinal impact parameter		$ z_0  \sin \theta < 0.5$ mm
<b>Trimmed large-<math>R</math> jet:</b>		
$p_T$		$> 200$ GeV
$ \eta $		$< 2.0$
Mass	$> 50$ GeV	None

Region	Range of $m_{W_R}^{\text{reco}}$	Lepton flavour
Signal region (SR)	$> 2$ TeV	Same flavour
Control region (CR)	$< 2$ TeV	Same flavour
Validation region (VR)	All	Mixed flavour (leading: muon; subleading: electron)

# Semi-leptonic heavy neutrino and W: resolved

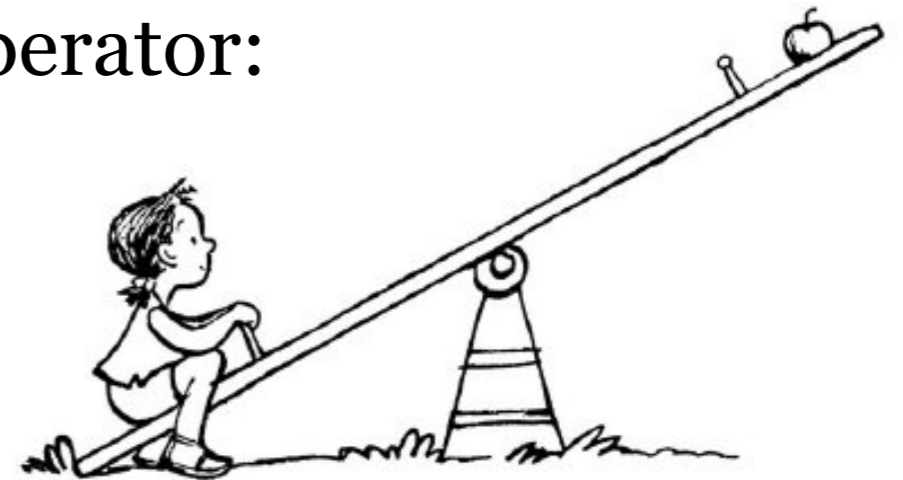


- Limits obtained from single-bin poissonian experiments show little dependence on the particle masses and are only sensitive to the signal efficiencies.

# The See-Saw mechanism

- **See-saw mechanisms:** neutrinos can be their own antiparticles. New heavy states generate a suppressed neutrino mass  $M_\nu$ .
- Within the Standard Model expand dim-5 operator:

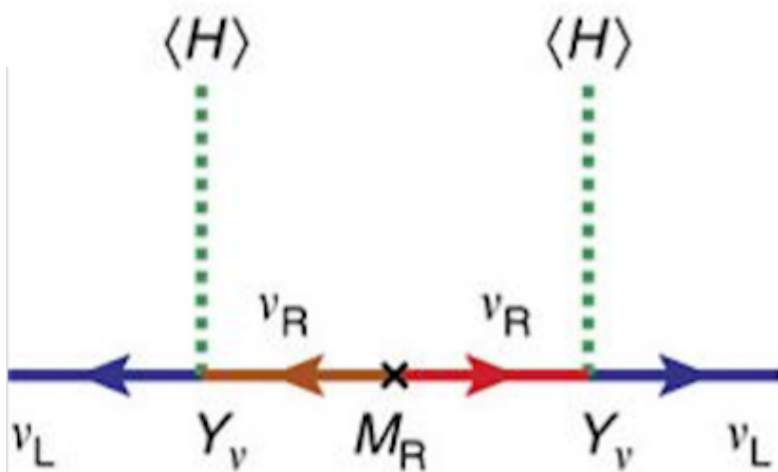
$$\mathcal{L}_Y(d=5) \approx \frac{Y_\nu^{ij} (\nu_L)_i H (\nu_L)_j H}{M}$$



## Type-I

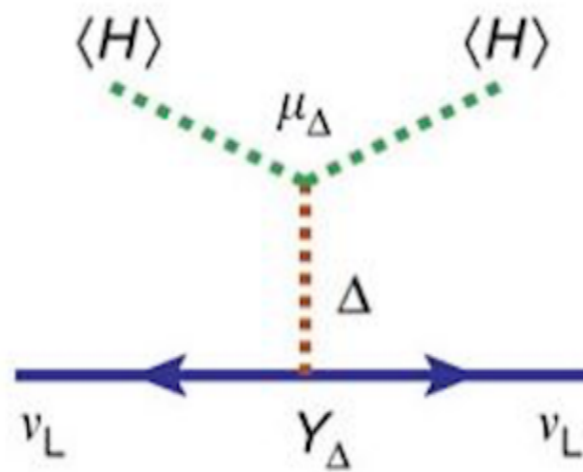
## Type-II

## Type-III



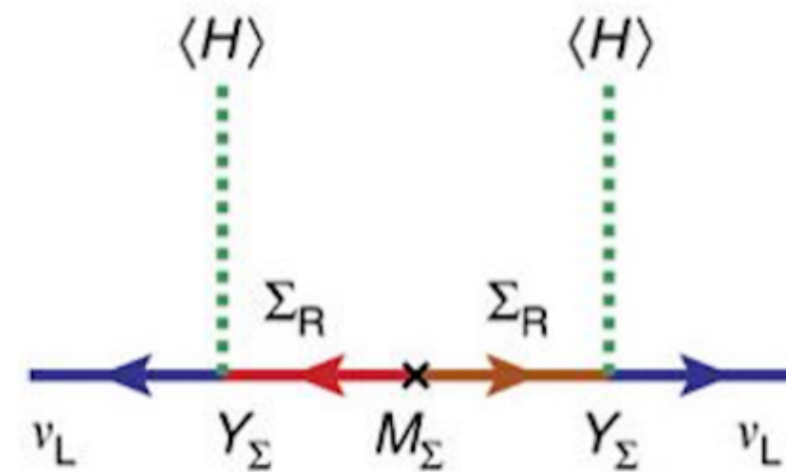
$$M_\nu = -\langle H \rangle^2 Y_\nu M_R^{-1} Y_\nu^T$$

Right-handed fermion singlet  $N_R$



$$M_\nu = \langle H \rangle^2 Y_\Delta \mu_\Delta / M_\Delta^2$$

Scalar triplet  $\Delta^{0,\pm,\pm\pm}$



$$M_\nu = -\langle H \rangle^2 Y_\Sigma M_\Sigma^{-1} Y_\Sigma^T$$

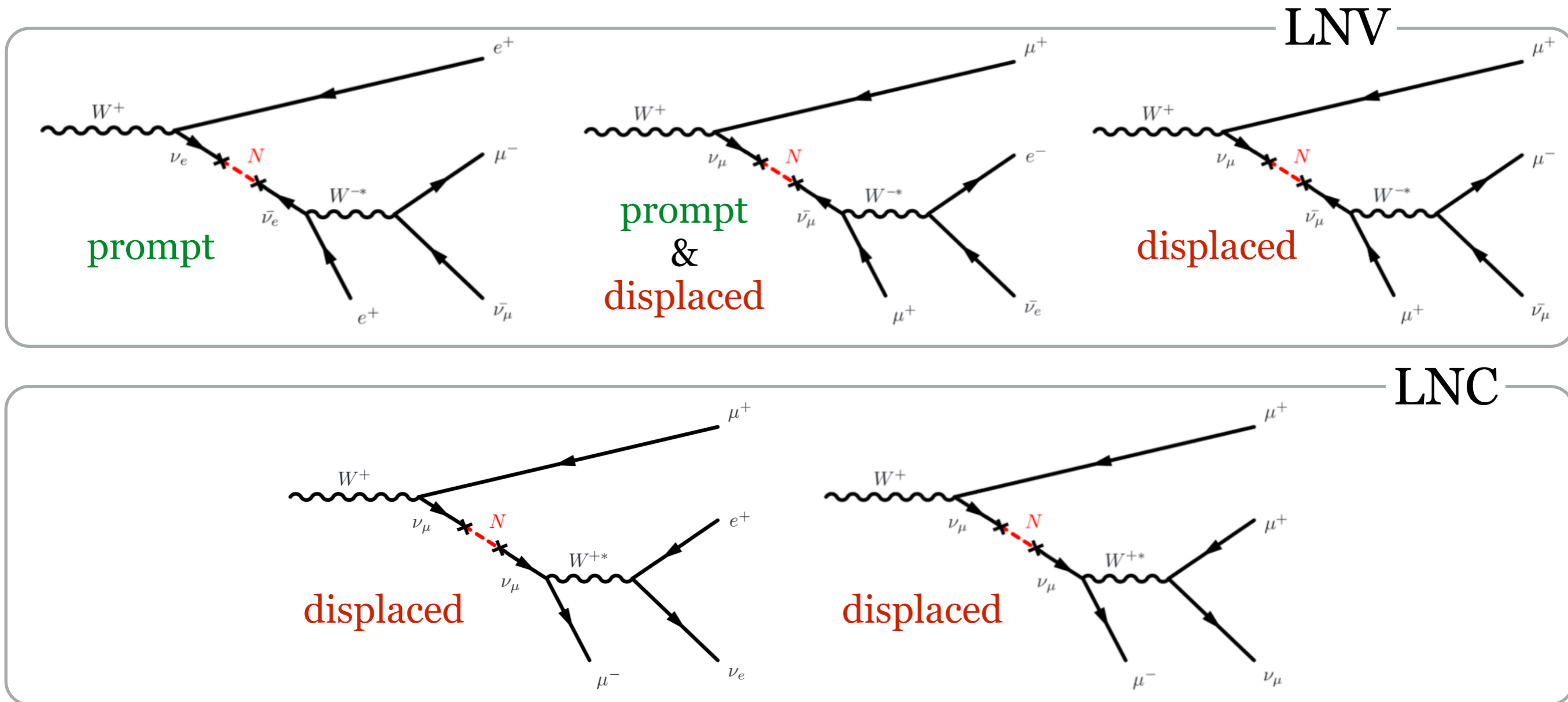
Fermion triplet  $\Sigma^{0,\pm}$



# Multi-leptonic prompt/displaced

- Signatures including muons and electrons probed using different strategies.
- Just a single right-handed Majorana neutrino postulated.
- Lepton number violated (LNV) or conserved (LNC).
- **Prompt**: tree leptons from the interaction point  $e^\pm e^\pm \mu^\mp, \mu^\pm \mu^\pm e^\mp$ .
- **Displaced**: prompt **muon** and displaced vertex with  $\mu\mu$  or  $\mu e$ .

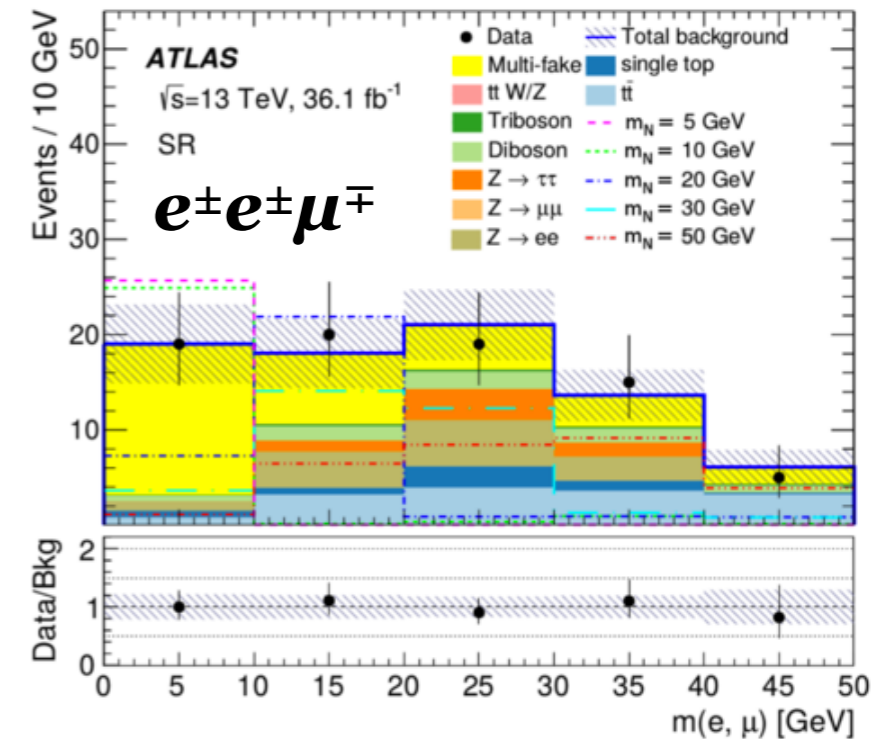
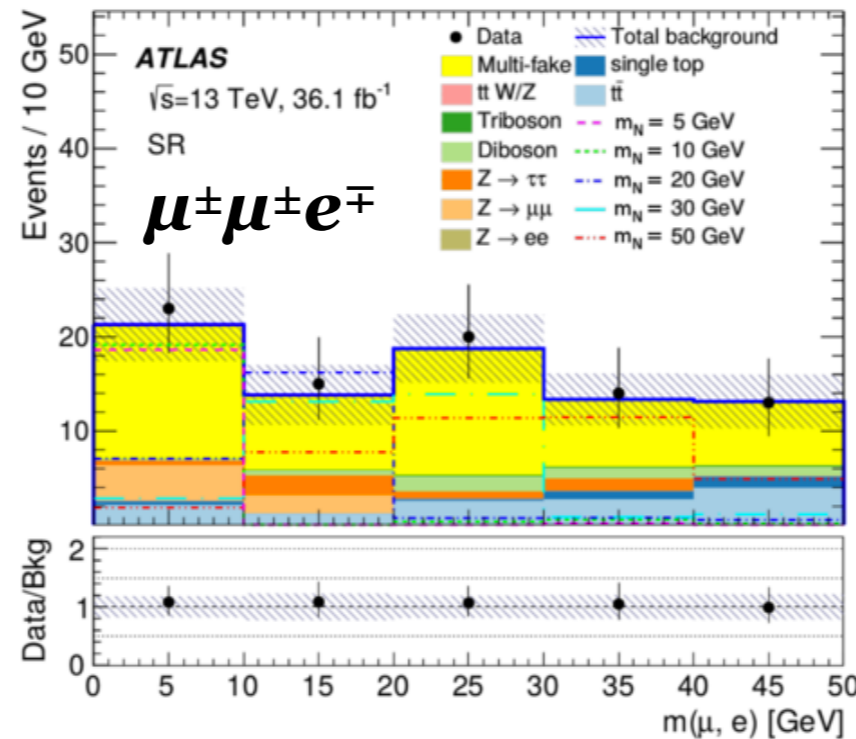
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# Multi-leptonic prompt/displaced

## Prompt

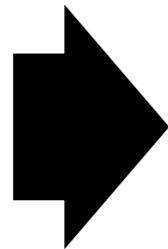
- $40 < m(l, l, l') < 90$  GeV
- b-jet veto
- $E_{T}^{\text{miss}} < 60$  GeV
- Mass reconstructed using  $e$  and  $\mu$  and excluding the leading lepton in the event.



## Displaced

- SM backgrounds mostly negligible.
- At least one displaced vertex (DV) within fiducial volume  $4 < r_{\text{DV}} < 300$  mm with two opposite charge particles.
- Cosmic ray veto eliminates fake “back-to-back” muons.
- $m_{\text{DV}} > 4$  GeV using tracks from the DV.

control regions  
for background  
estimation



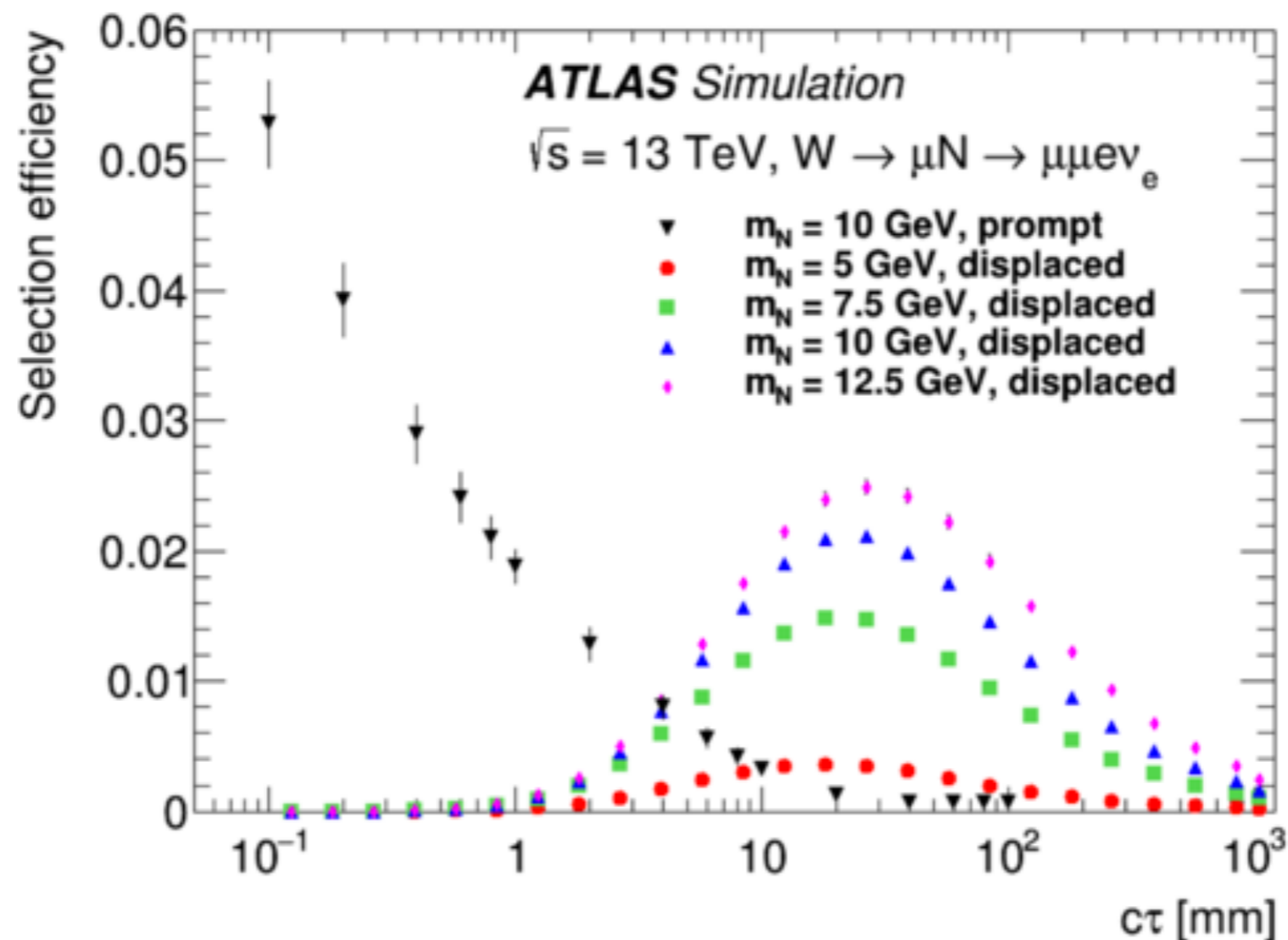
Leptons in DV	Same-charge DV	Opposite-charge DV	Opposite-charge DV estimated
2	0	0 (signal region)	$< 2.3$ at 90% CL
1 ( $\mu$ )	83	89	$82.4 \pm 9.0$
1 ( $e$ )	28	35	$27.8 \pm 5.3$
0	169254	168037	

# Multi-leptonic prompt/displaced

$$\tau_{N_e} = (4.15 \cdot 10^{-12} \text{ s}) |U|^{-2} (m_N / 1 \text{ GeV})^{-5.17}$$

$$\tau_{N_\mu} = (4.49 \cdot 10^{-12} \text{ s}) |U|^{-2} (m_N / 1 \text{ GeV})^{-5.19}$$

- These assume no LNV decays. If LNV is allowed twice as many decay channels are allowed and lifetime is reduced by a factor of two.



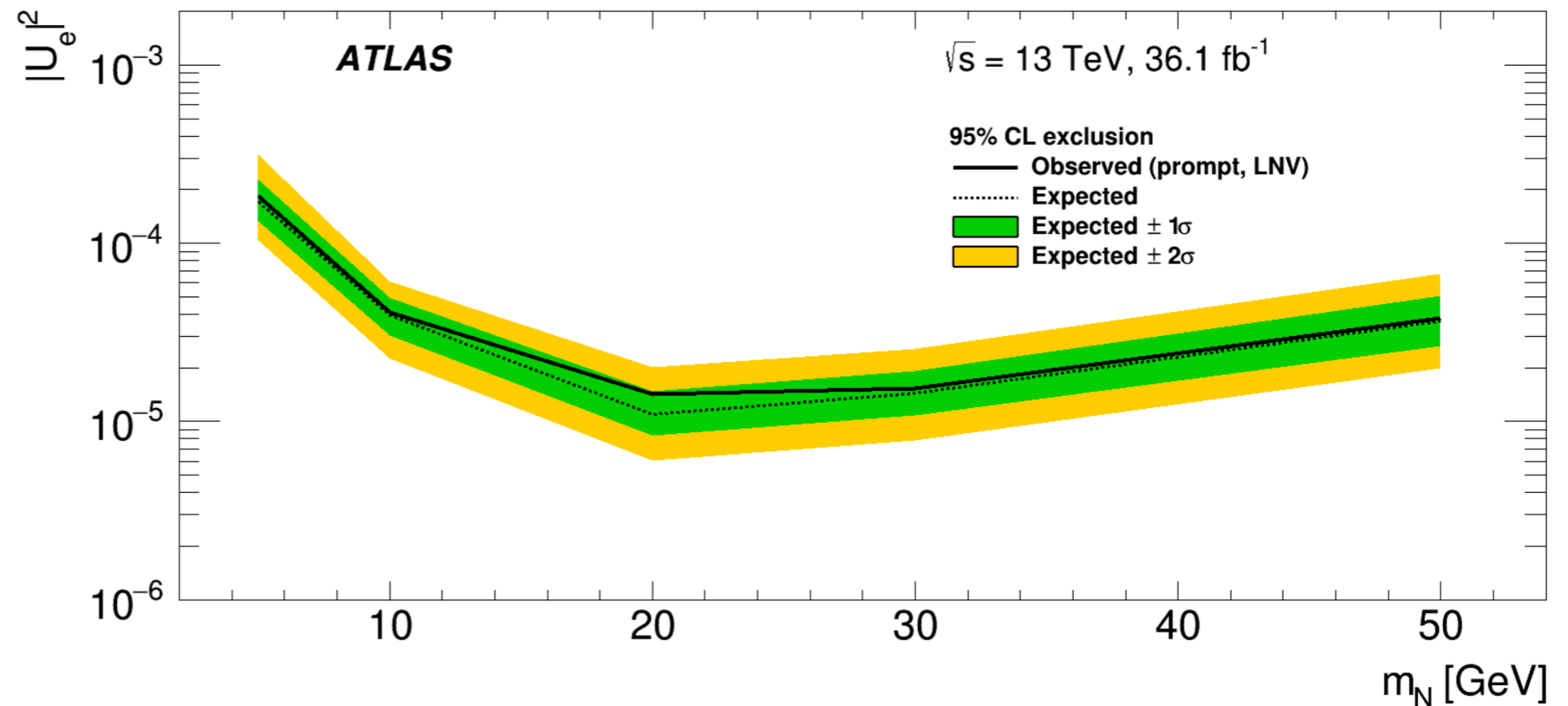
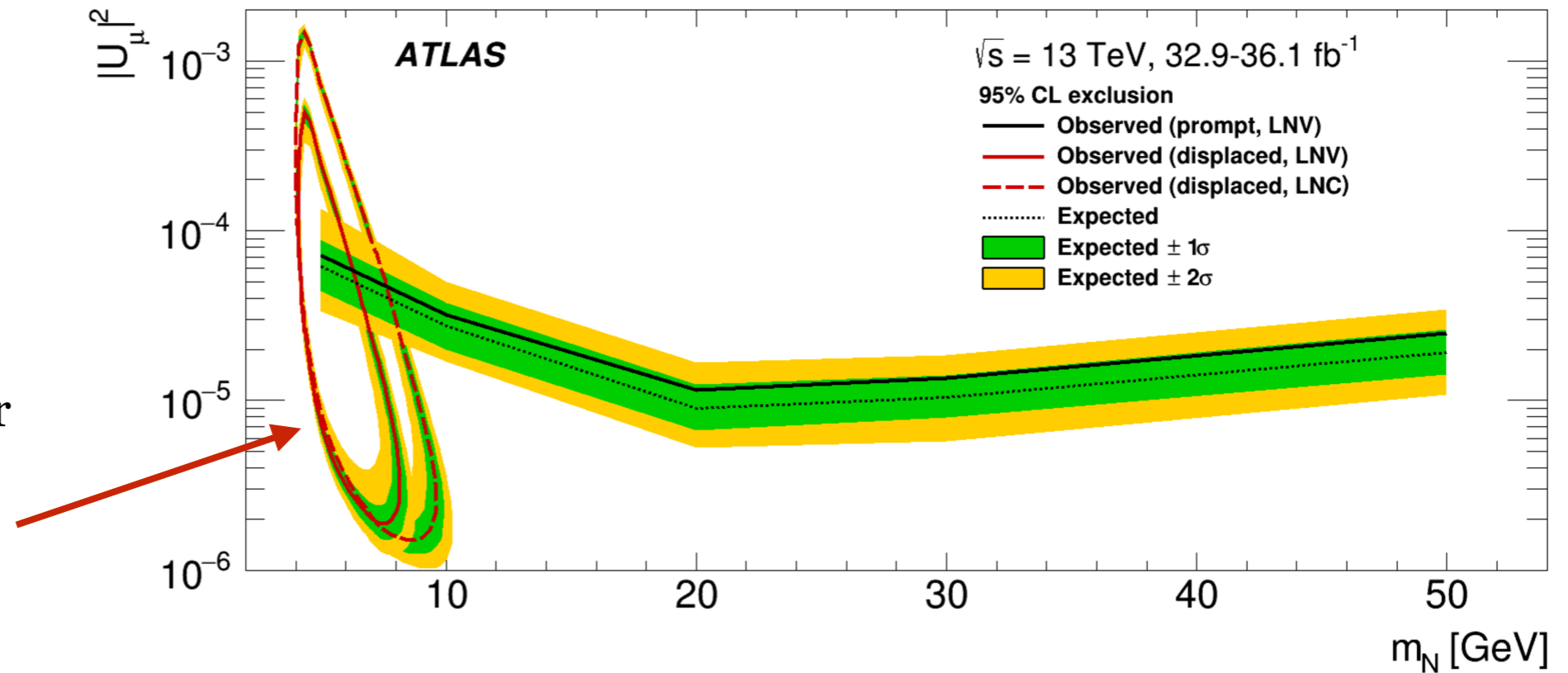
# Multi-leptonic prompt/displaced

Muon channel	Electron channel
exactly $\mu^\pm \mu^\pm e^\mp$ signature	exactly $e^\pm e^\pm \mu^\mp$ signature
$p_T(\mu) > 4 \text{ GeV}$ $p_T(e) > 7 \text{ GeV (2015), } 4.5 \text{ GeV (2016)}$	
leading muon $p_T > 23 \text{ GeV}$ subleading muon $p_T > 14 \text{ GeV}$	leading electron $p_T > 27 \text{ GeV}$ subleading electron $p_T > 10 \text{ GeV}$ $m(e, e) < 78 \text{ GeV}$
$40 < m(\ell, \ell, \ell') < 90 \text{ GeV}$ <i>b</i> -jet veto $E_T^{\text{miss}} < 60 \text{ GeV}$	

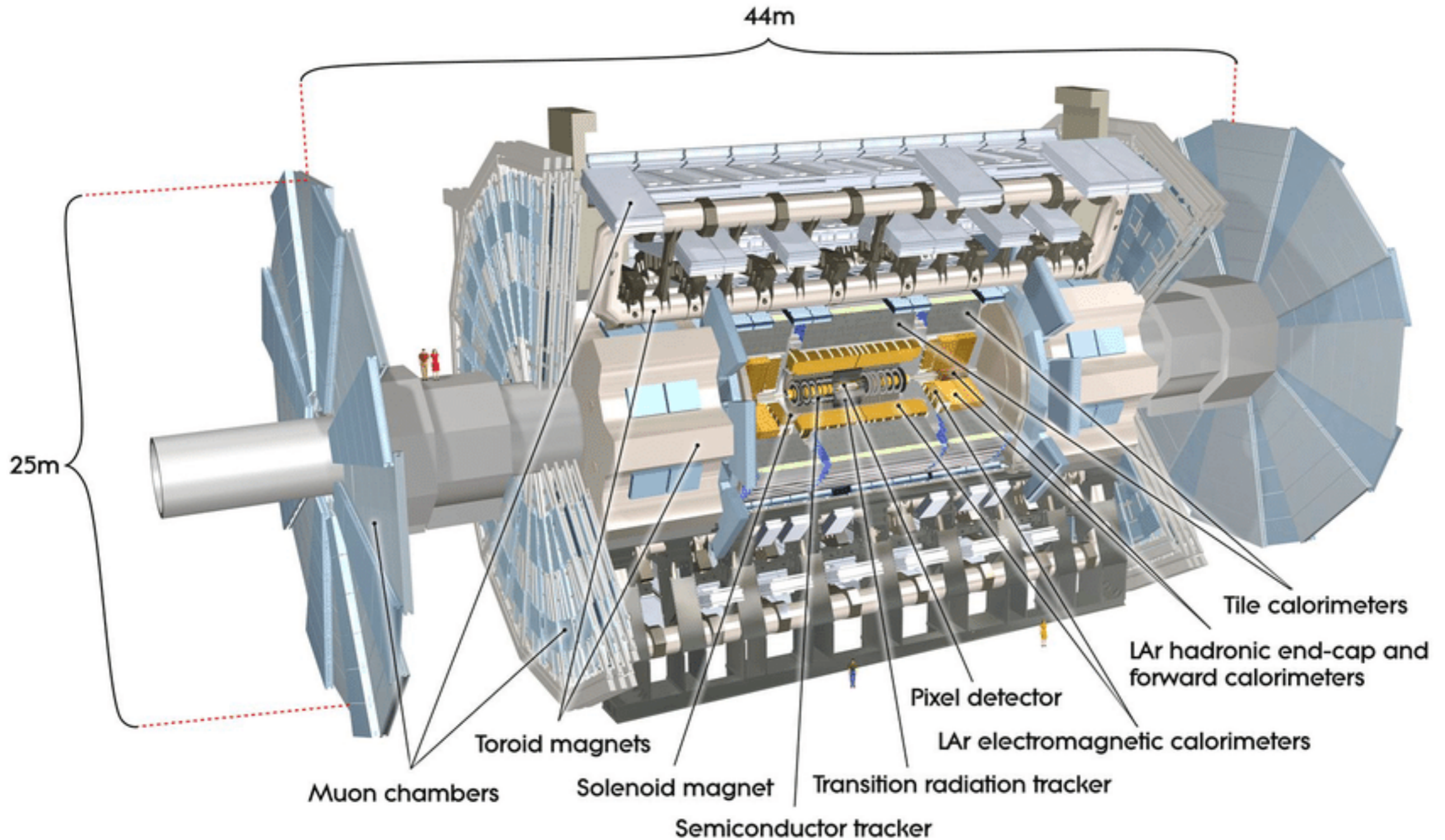
Criterion	Signal region	Control region	Fit distribution
0	exactly one SCSF lepton pair		$m(\ell, \ell')$
1	$40 < m(\ell, \ell, \ell') < 90 \text{ GeV}$	$m(\ell, \ell, \ell') \leq 40 \text{ GeV} \parallel m(\ell, \ell, \ell') \geq 90 \text{ GeV}$	$p_T(\ell')$
2	<i>b</i> -jet veto	at least one <i>b</i> -jet	$p_T(\ell')$
3	$E_T^{\text{miss}} < 60 \text{ GeV}$	$E_T^{\text{miss}} \geq 60 \text{ GeV}$	$p_T(\ell')$

# Multi-leptonic prompt/displaced

Assuming lepton number violation (LNV) for displaced signatures yields weaker limits as lifetime reduced by a factor of two for LNV for a given coupling strength

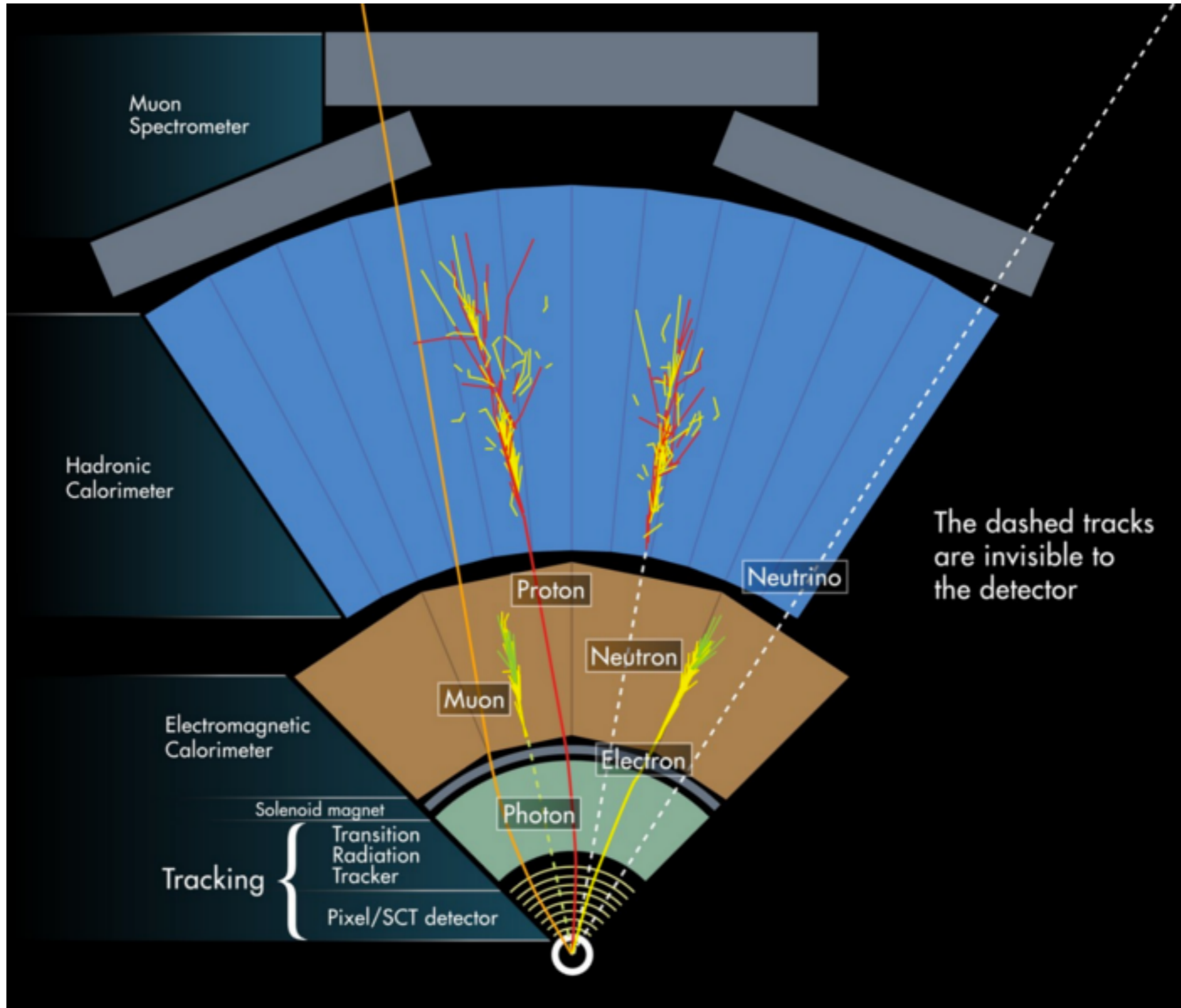


# The ATLAS detector



- In Run-II  $pp$  collisions were delivered at  $\sqrt{s} = 13$  TeV.

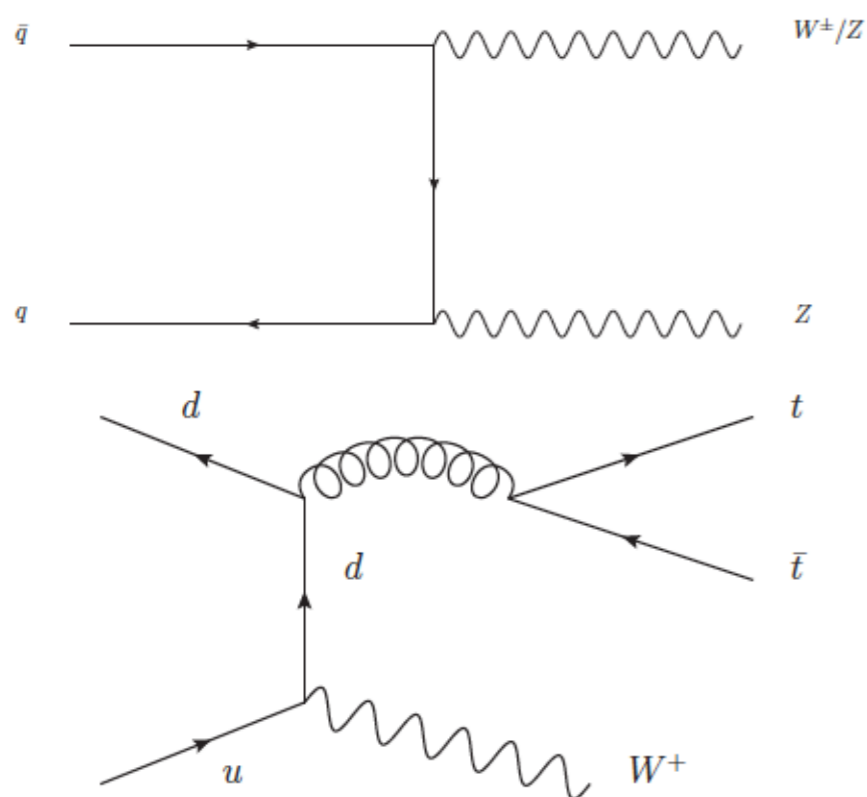
# ATLAS



# Backgrounds

## Prompt

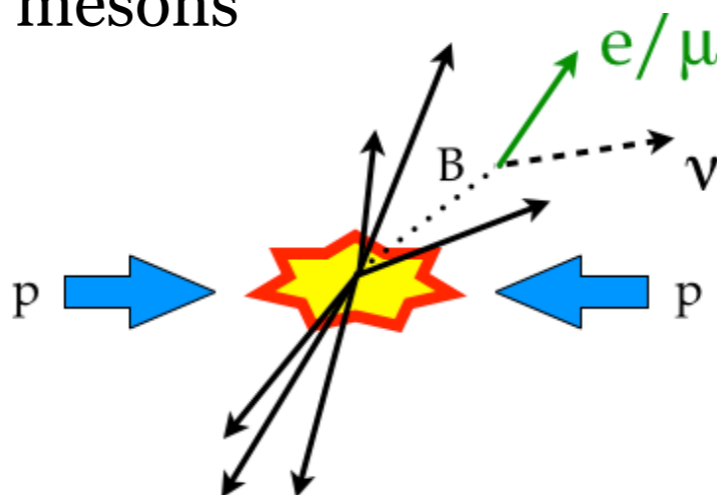
Real prompt leptons:  
 $ZW, ZZ, ttW, ttZ, ttH, W^\pm W^\pm$



Estimated with simulation.  
ttbar yield estimated using  
fit in control regions.

## Mis-ID leptons

- Real electrons or muons from non-prompt decays, e.g. from heavy flavoured mesons



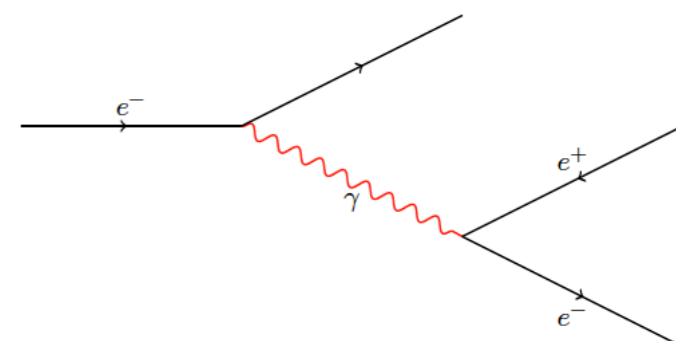
- Jets mis-reconstructed as electrons

Data-driven estimation

## Mis-ID charge

*If same-charge signatures required!*

Oppositely charged leptons with charge mis-identification:  
 $Z/\gamma^*, ZZ, W^\pm W^\mp, tt$

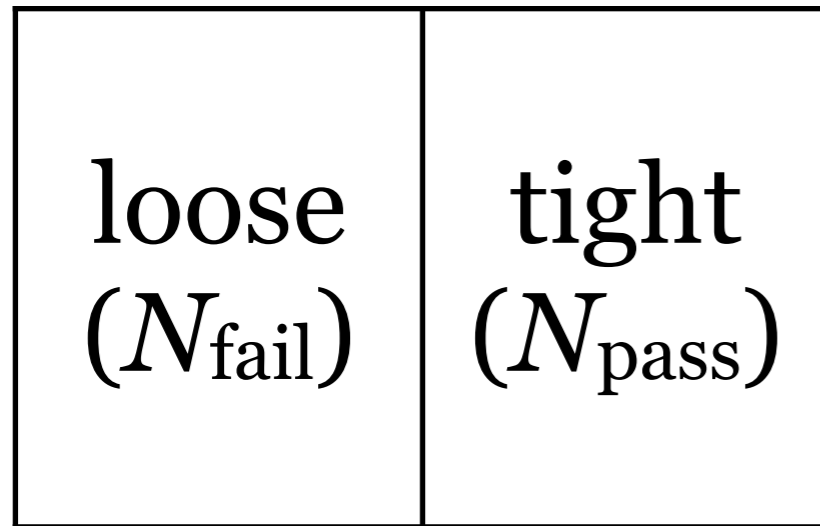


Mis-ID probability  
measured with a  
likelihood method



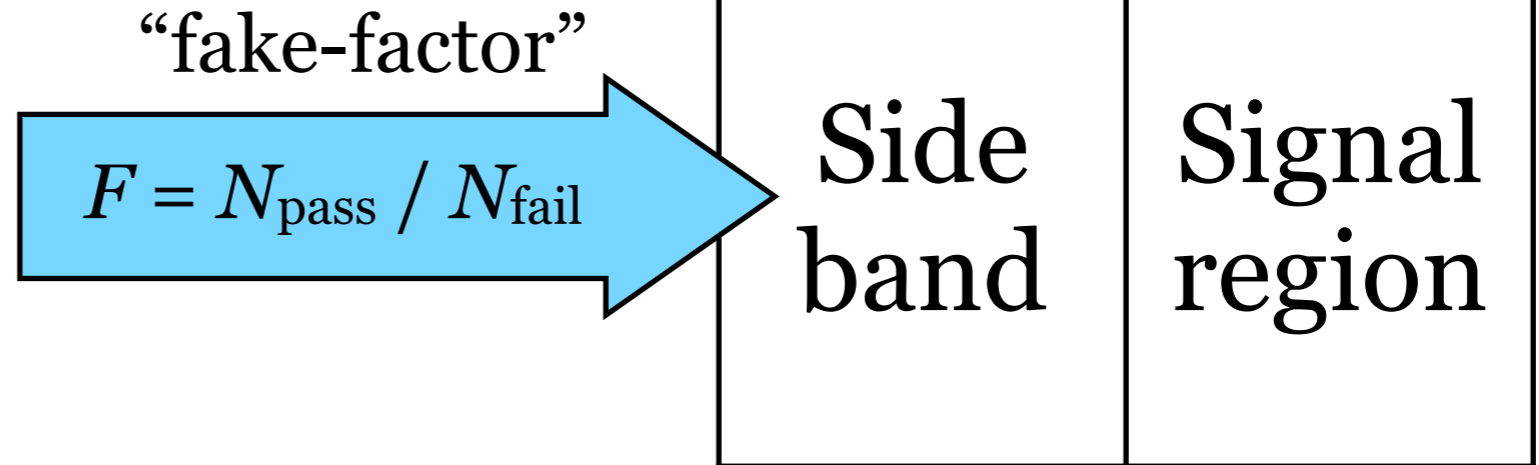
# Mis-identified leptons

Fakes enriched region

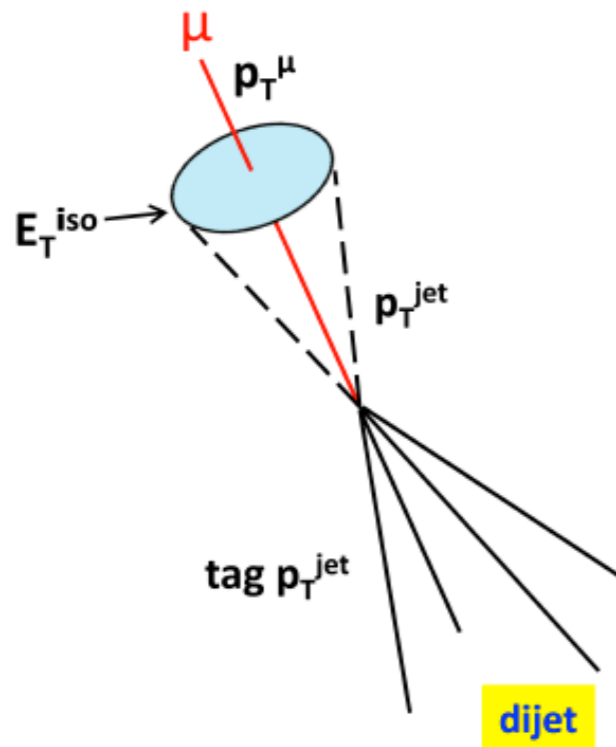


isolation threshold

Main selection



isolation threshold



Tag-and-probe  
selections on di-jet  
events

- Signal region extrapolation: e.g. two lepton case:

$$N_{TT}^{\text{fakes}} = \left[ \sum_{TL} F_2 + \sum_{LT} F_1 - \sum_{LL} F_1 F_2 \right]_{\text{data}} - \left[ \sum_{TL} F_2 + \sum_{LT} F_1 - \sum_{LL} F_1 F_2 \right]_{\text{prompt simulation}}$$

- Can be extended for more than two leptons
- Parameterisation of  $F$  based on lepton kinematic

# Mis-identified charge

- $Z \rightarrow ee$  events used from data and simulation.
- Fit simultaneously **opposite** and **same -charge events** and separately for data and simulation.
- Derive parameterised probabilities and measure a correction based on data/simulation trends.
- Correction is applied to any simulated electron with mis-identified charge.

