

QCD V and Multi V Production

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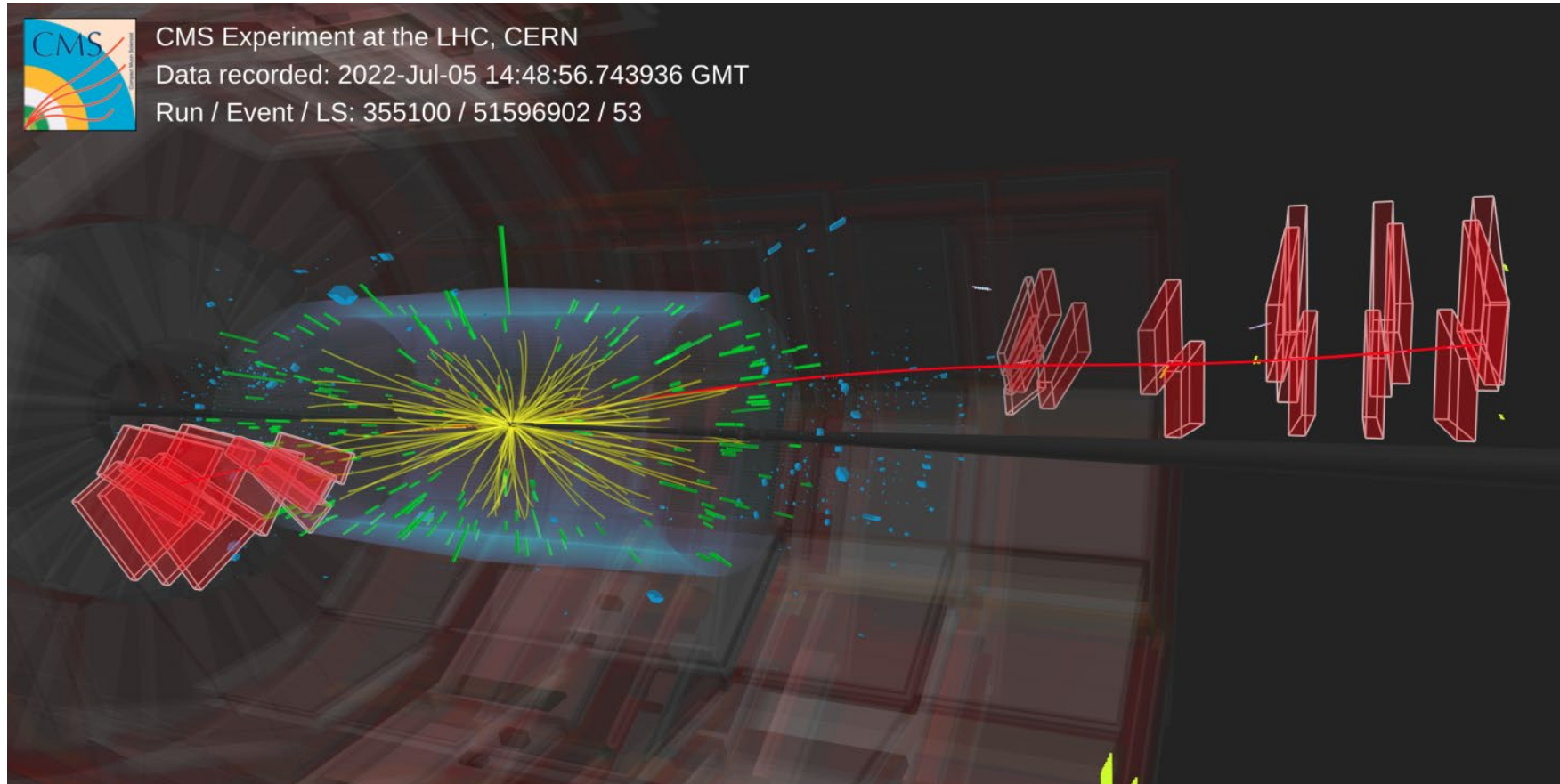
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Introduction

The LHC Run3 has started!



Z candidate in CMS recorded first collision events at 13.6 TeV

Introduction

QCD VV:

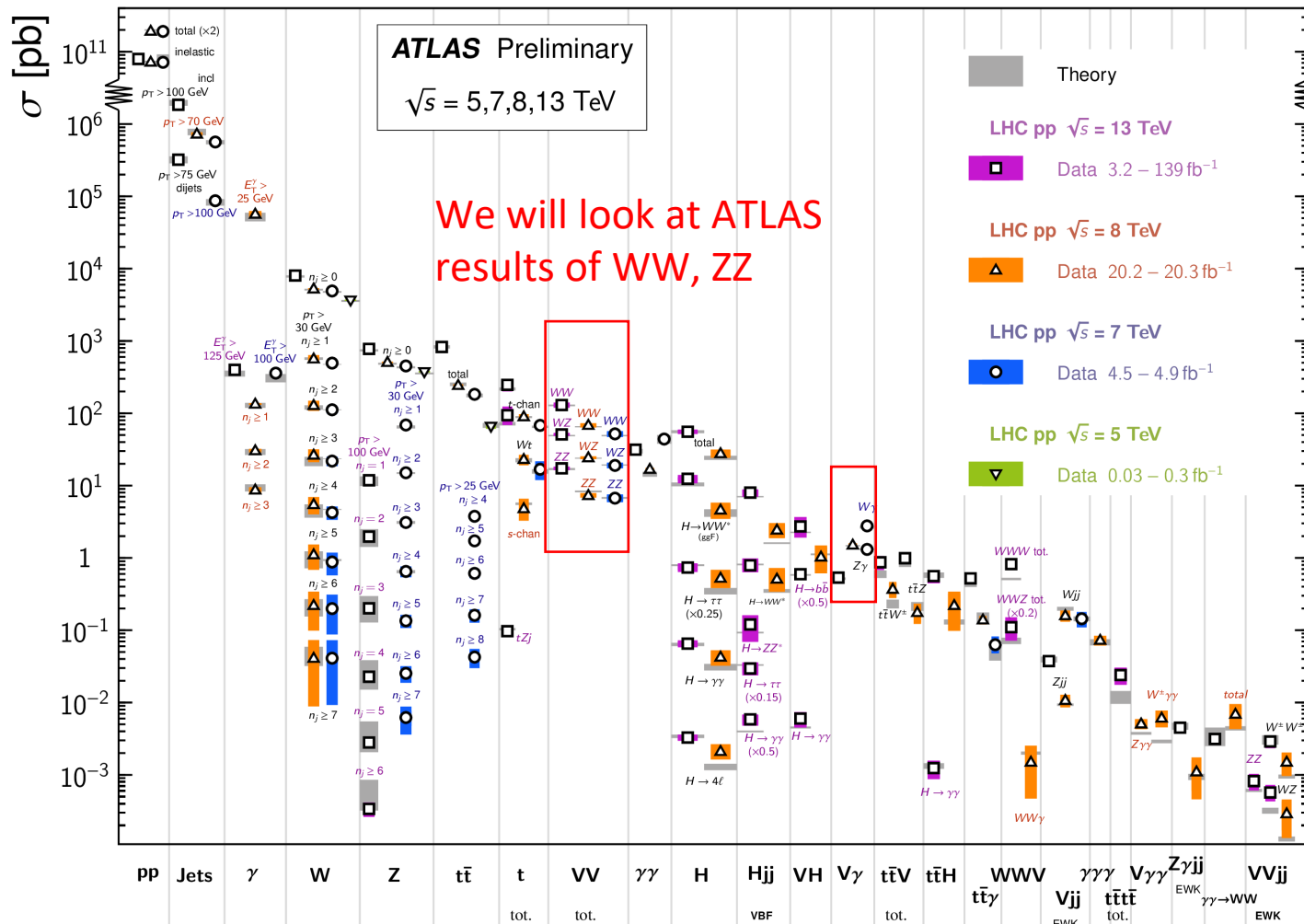
- Clean final states and large cross sections
- Good test for perturbative QCD and EWK theory
- Large background for EWK studies and Higgs production measurement
- Sensitive to variations in SM TGCs

We will present recent ATLAS and CMS results for **QCD VV production**

Introduction

Standard Model Production Cross Section Measurements

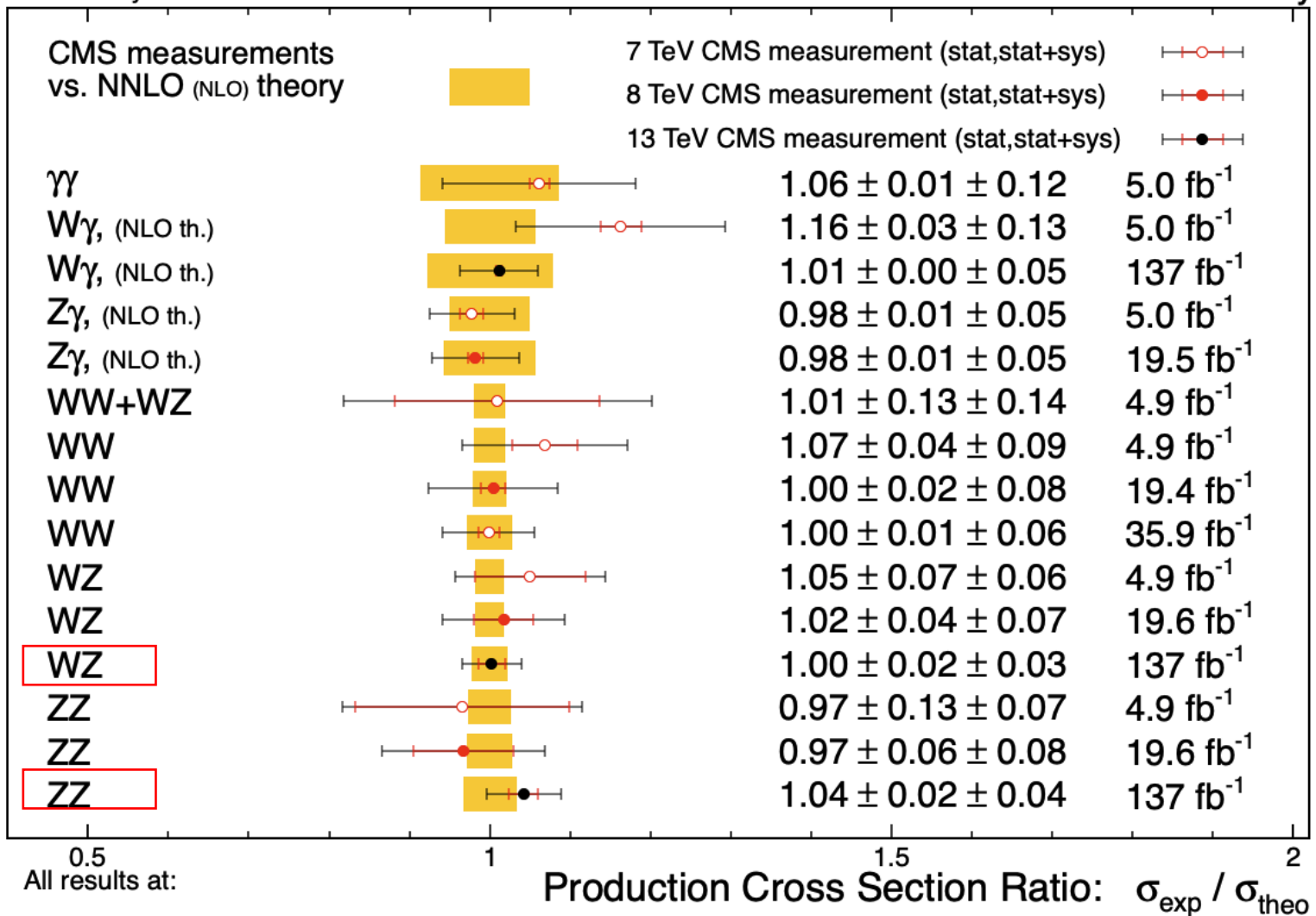
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Introduction

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CMS Preliminary



We will look at CMS results of WZ, ZZ

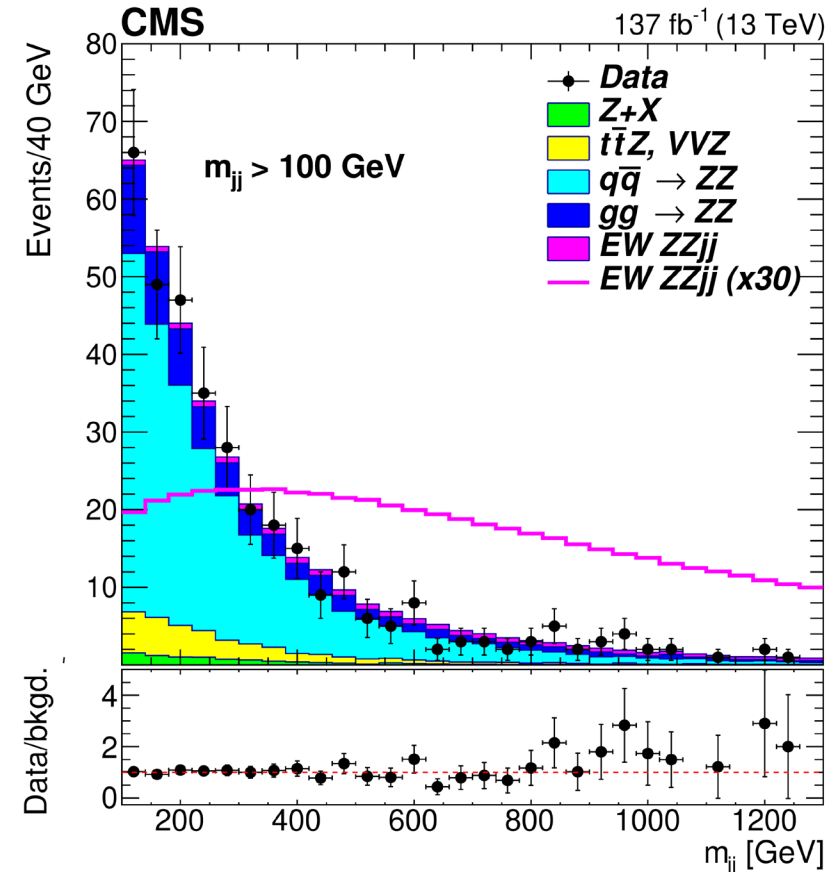
Relative unc. Less than 5%

Introduction: QCD VV as Dominant Background for EWK Studies

Evidence for EWK production of ZZjj

137 fb⁻¹ at 13 TeV with full Run2 dataset, [CMS-SMP-20-001](#), [Phys. Lett. B 812 \(2020\) 135992](#)

- A discriminant based on a matrix element likelihood approach (MELA) is used to extract the signal significance (observed (expected) significance of 4.0 (3.5) standard deviations) and to measure the cross sections for the EWK and the EWK+QCD production of the $ll'l'jj$ final state in a fiducial volume.
- Mingyi Liu: ATLAS ZZ VBS next talk
- Bing Li: EWK production Tue. 19:00
- **Large QCD-induced background. Additional analysis of QCD induced ZZ+jets production underway.**

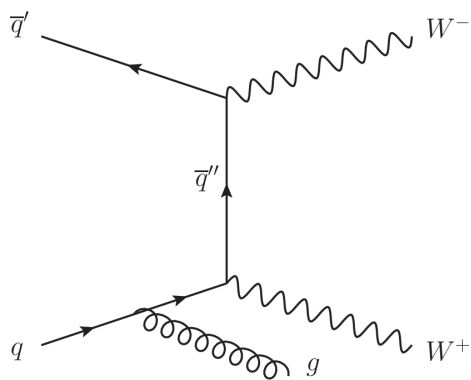


ATLAS $W^+W^- + \geq 1$ jet

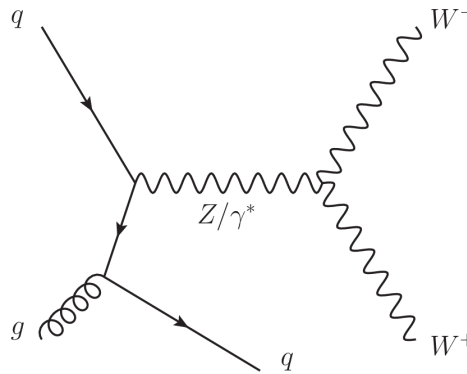
139 fb⁻¹ at 13 TeV with full Run2 dataset, [ATLAS-STDM-2018-34](#), [JHEP 06 \(2021\) 003](#)

- Measure fiducial and differential cross sections for $WW \rightarrow e^+\nu\mu^+\bar{\nu}$ produced in association with one or more jets
- Limits on aTGC obtained in phase space where interference between SM and anomalous amplitude is enhanced

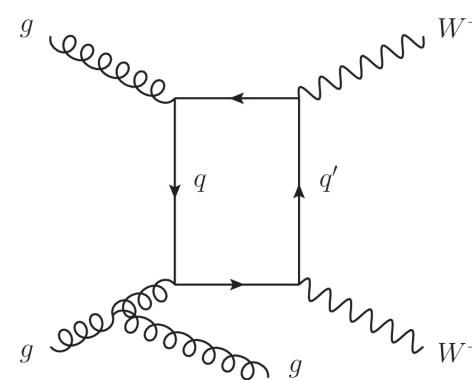
(Andrew Gilbert: Searches for NP and EFT limits in multi-boson final states Tuesday 21:45)



$q\bar{q} \rightarrow W^+W^- + \text{jet}$



$qg \rightarrow W^+W^- + \text{jet}$



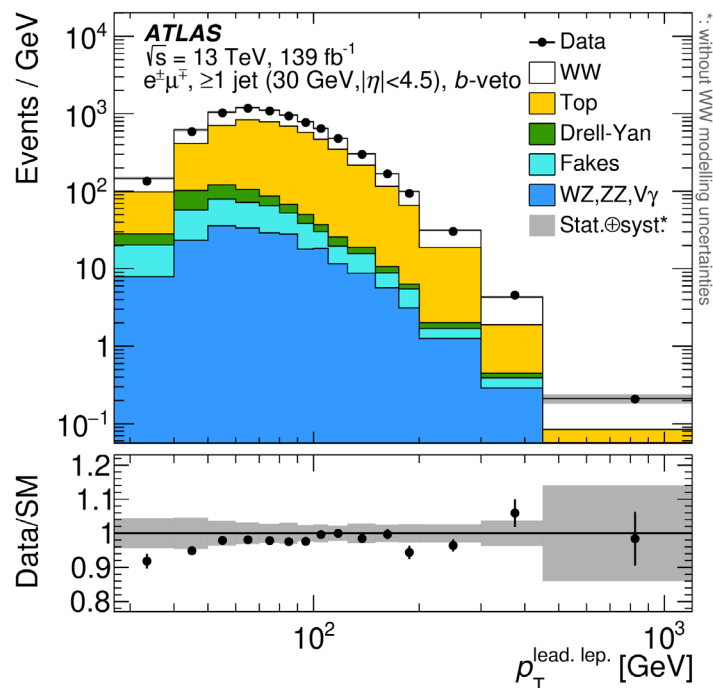
$gg \rightarrow W^+W^- + \text{jet}$

ATLAS $W^+W^- + \geq 1$ jet: Selection

- Select candidate WW by requiring exactly one isolated e and μ with opposite charge to reduce background from Drell-Yan events. Require at least one jet.
- Reject events containing b-tagged jets to reduce $t\bar{t}$ background
- Reject events with additional leptons with $p_T > 10\text{GeV}$ and loose requirements to reduce WZ and ZZ background

Fiducial selection requirements

p_T^ℓ	$> 27 \text{ GeV}$	
$ \eta^\ell $	< 2.5	
$m_{e\mu}$	$> 85 \text{ GeV}$	← Strongly suppress Drell-Yan Z+jets
p_T^j	$> 30 \text{ GeV}$	
$ y^j $	< 4.5	



SR region
 detector-level
 distribution

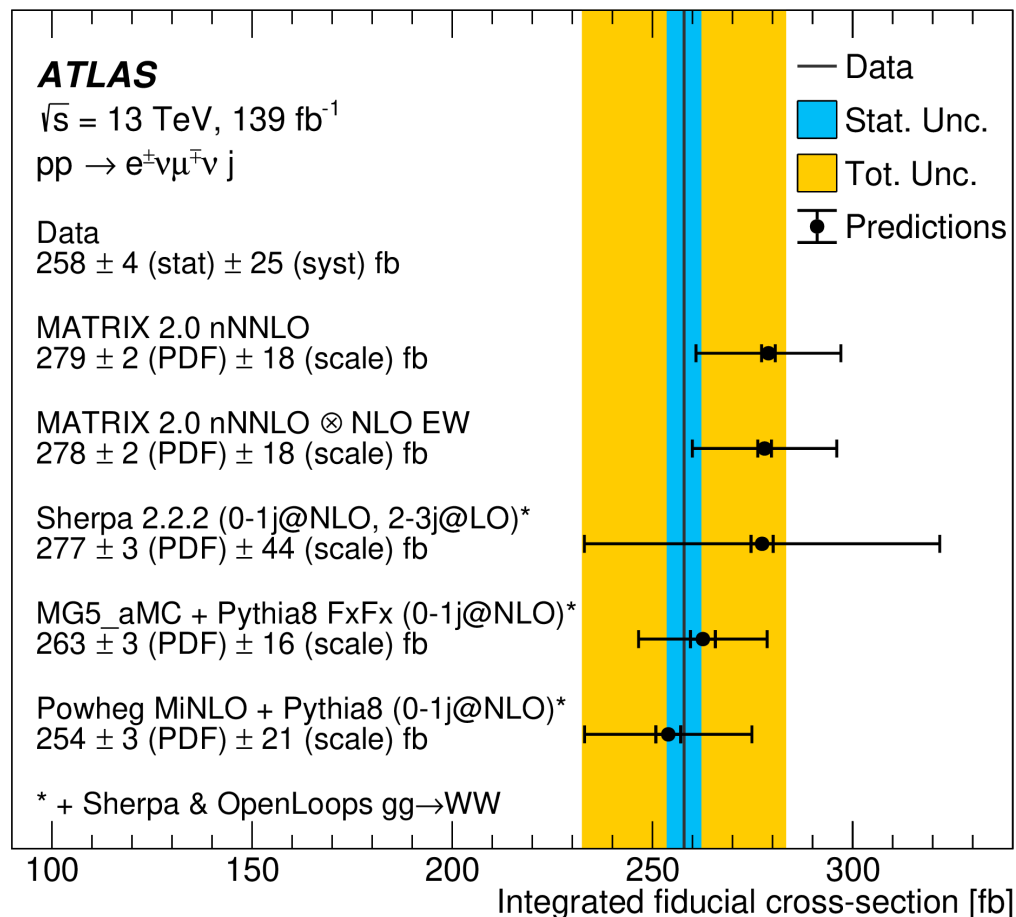
ATLAS $W^+W^- + \geq 1$ jet: Fiducial Cross Section

$$\sigma^{\text{fid}} = \frac{N_{\text{obs}} - N_{\text{bkg}}}{C \times \mathcal{L}}$$

- C : accounts for detector inefficiencies, resolution effects, and τ decays
- L : integrated luminosity
- N_{obs} : observed events
- N_{bkg} : estimated bkg events

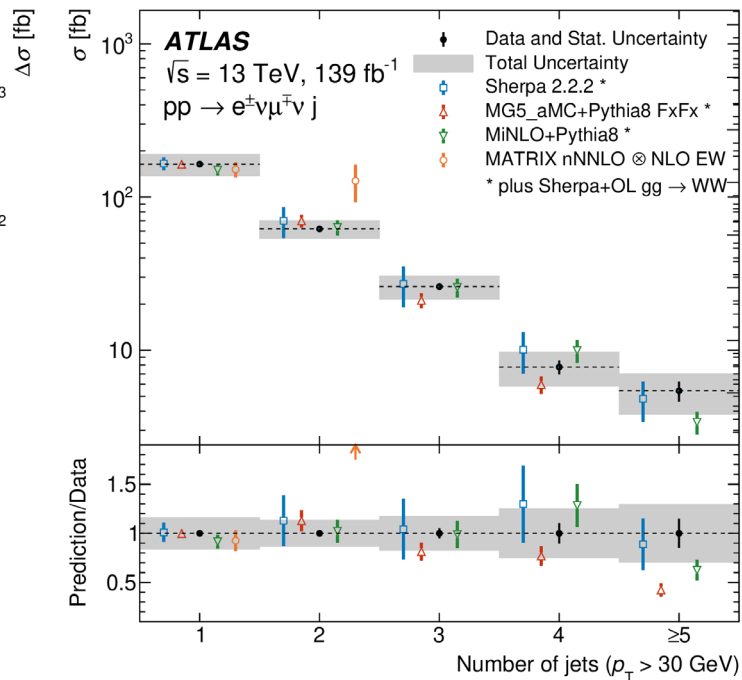
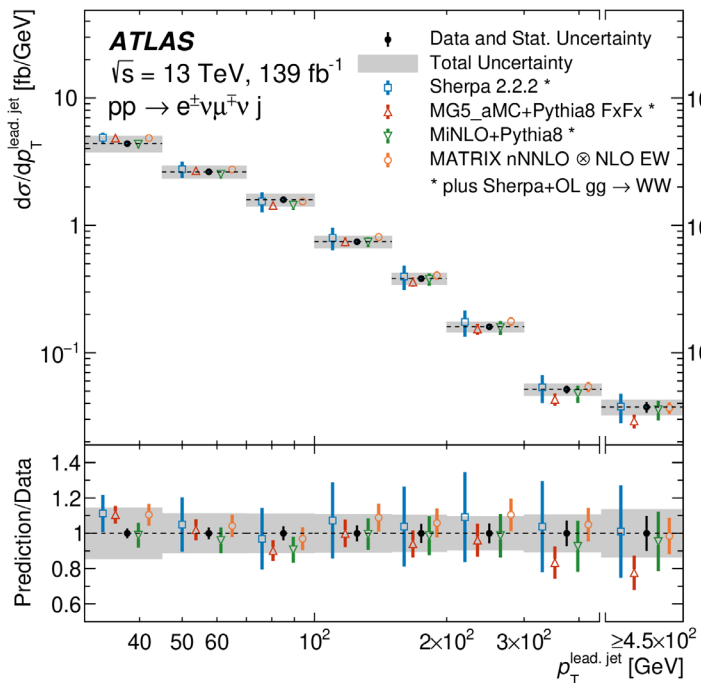
$$\sigma_{\text{fid}} = 258 \pm 4 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 25 \text{ (syst.) fb}$$

Good agreement with predictions

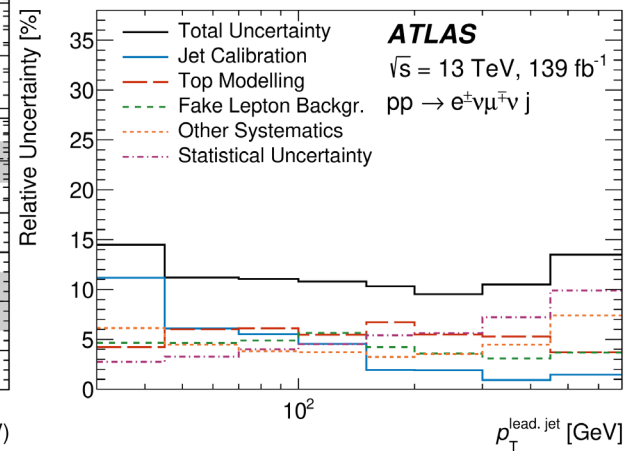


ATLAS $W^+W^- + \geq 1$ jet: Differential Cross Section

- Measured using iterative Bayesian unfolding method
- As function of lepton-related (e.g. p_T , $m_{e\mu}$) and jet-related (e.g. N_{jets} , $p_T^{\text{lead. jet}}$) kinematic variables
- All predictions give good description of the observed data within uncertainties
- ≥ 2 jets region relevant for EWK WW production shows good agreement



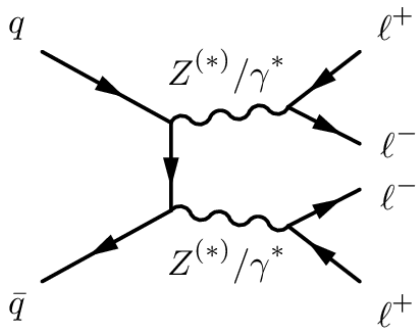
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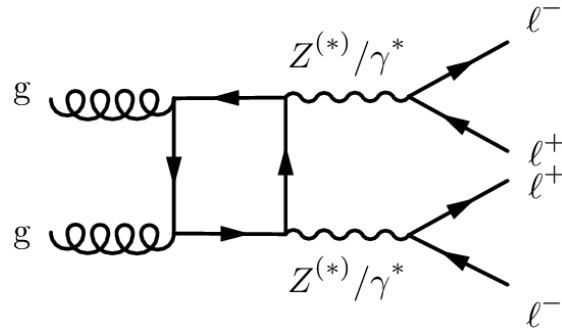
ATLAS 4l Events

139 fb⁻¹ at 13 TeV with full Run2 dataset, [ATLAS-STDM-2018-30](#), [JHEP 07 \(2021\) 005](#)

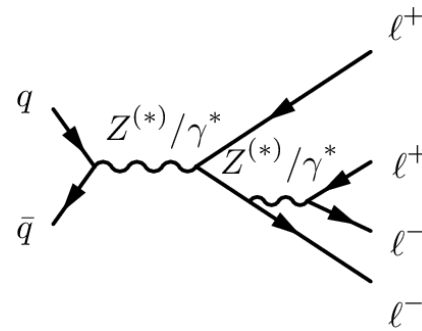
- Measure differential and integrated fiducial cross sections of four-lepton events consisting of OSSF electron and muon pairs
- Involves several interesting SM processes, with possible BSM contributions and can set limits on BSM models
- For more inclusive results, reduce requirement that specifically enhance contributions from SM ZZ. Similar measurement [CMS-SMP-19-001](#) which focuses on on-shell ZZ production.



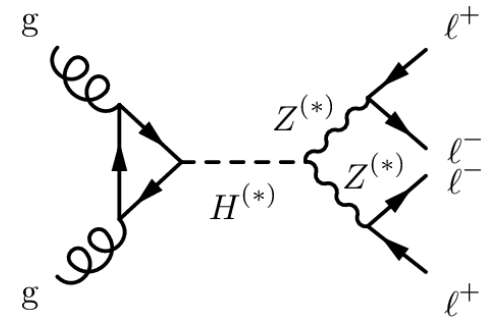
$q\bar{q} \rightarrow 4l$



gluon induced $gg \rightarrow 4l$
via quark loop



$Z \rightarrow 4l$



$(gg \rightarrow)H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 4l$

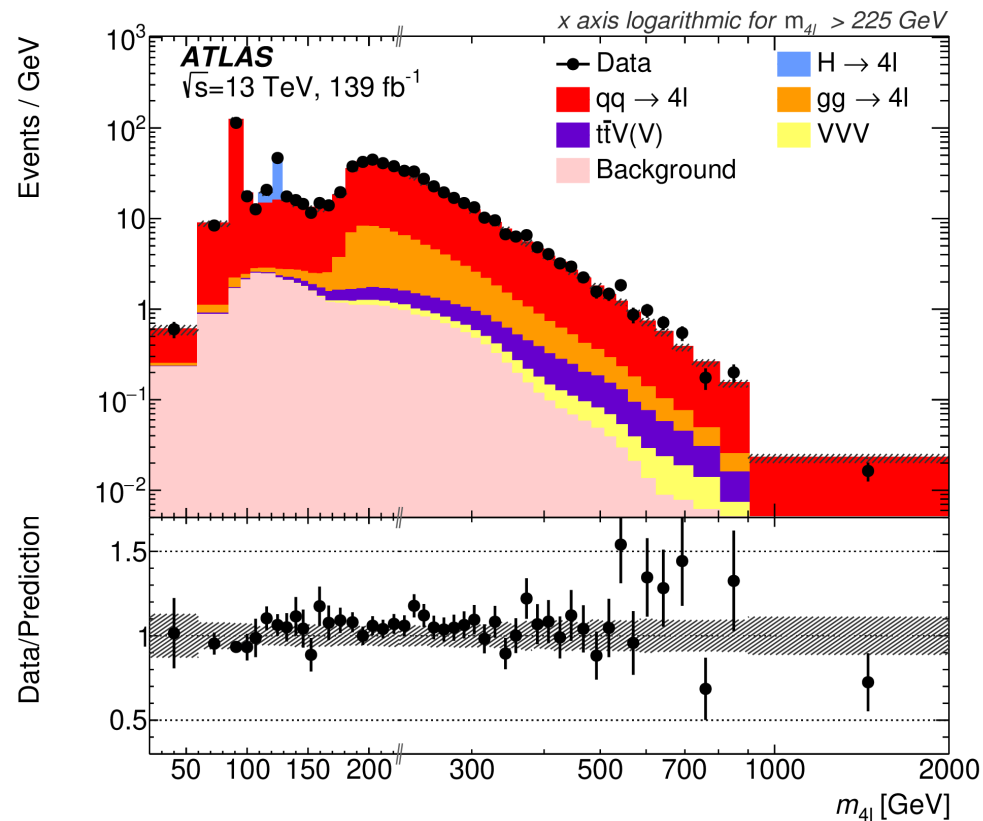
ATLAS 4l Events: Selection

Fiducial phase space:

- At least 4l forming 2 OSSF pairs
- $p_T > 7$ (5) GeV and $|\eta| < 2.47$ (2.7) for e (μ)
- $p_T^{l1} > 20$ GeV, $p_T^{l2} > 10$ GeV
- $m_{ll} > 5$ GeV OSSF pairs \leftarrow Suppress J/ ψ decays
- $\Delta R > 0.05$ any l, l' \leftarrow Suppress conversion e
- Additional particles allowed (leptons, neutrinos, etc. and possible BSM particles)

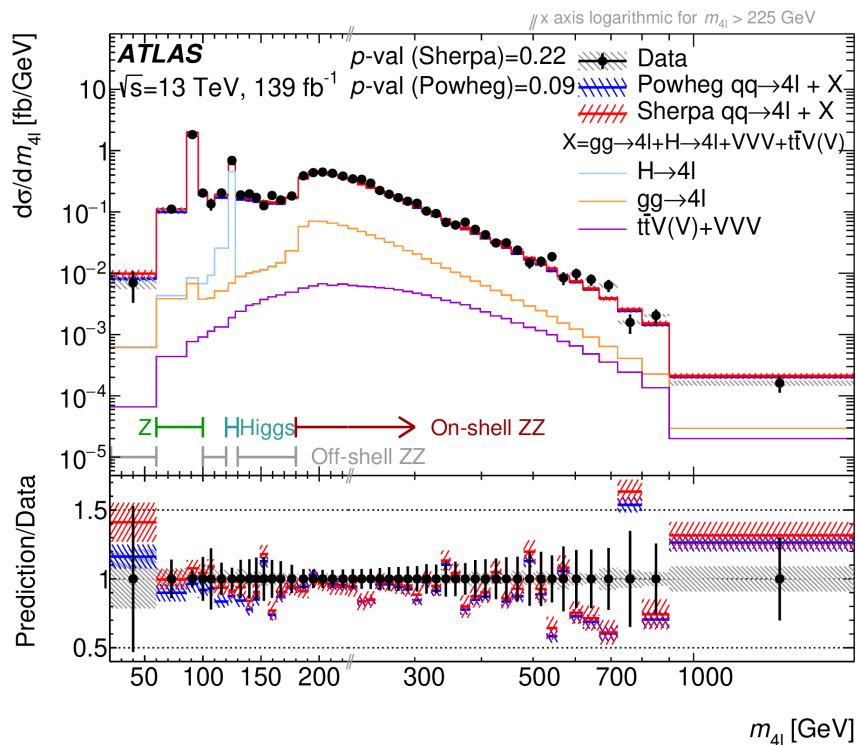
Also divided in 4 regions:

- $Z \rightarrow 4l$ ($60 < m_{4l} < 100$ GeV)
- $H \rightarrow 4l$ ($120 < m_{4l} < 130$ GeV)
- off-shell ZZ ($20 < m_{4l} < 60$ GeV or $100 < m_{4l} < 120$ GeV or $130 < m_{4l} < 180$ GeV)
- on-shell ZZ ($180 < m_{4l} < 2000$ GeV)

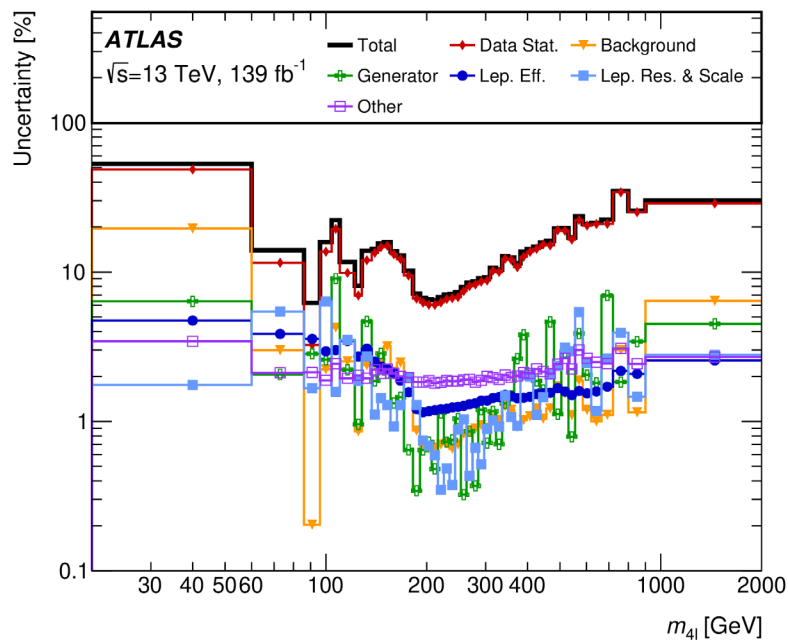


ATLAS 4l Events: Measured Cross Sections

- Measure differential and integrated fiducial cross sections by correcting for detector effects using iterative Bayesian unfolding technique
- Differential cross sections include m_{4l} , dilepton masses, and other kinematic variables of 4l and dilepton pairs, including angular correlations. In general measurements agrees with prediction within uncertainties, including the high m_{4l} region relevant for EFT.



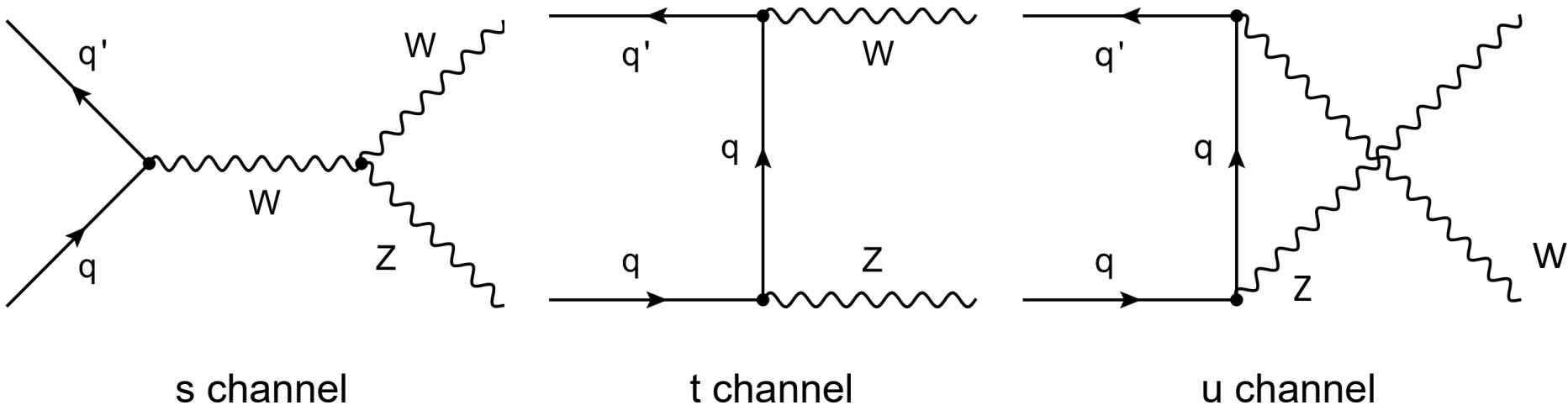
Uncertainty breakdown



CMS WZ production

137 fb⁻¹ at 13 TeV with full Run2 dataset, [CMS-SMP-20-014](#), [JHEP 07 \(2022\) 032](#)

- Measurement of the total inclusive production cross section
- Fiducial and differential cross sections for several key observables
- Direct measurement of charge asymmetry and W and Z vector boson polarization
- New constraints on aTGC



CMS WZ production: Selection

Fiducial region:

- Require exactly 3 final-state leptons (e/ μ not from leptonic τ decays), at least one OSSF pair. Assign OSSF pair with invariant mass closest to m_Z as l_{Z1} , l_{Z2} , the remaining lepton l_W
- $p_T(l_{Z1}) > 25$ GeV, $p_T(l_{Z2}) > 10$ GeV, $p_T(l_W) > 25$ GeV, $|\eta| < 2.5$
- $60 < m(l_{Z1}l_{Z2}) < 120$ GeV \leftarrow Reduce nonresonant contributions
- $m_{ll} > 4$ GeV OSSF pair \leftarrow Avoid low mass resonances, ensure infrared safety in MC
- $m(l_{Z1}, l_{Z2}, l_W) > 100$ GeV \leftarrow Suppress peaking contribution from $Z\gamma$

Total region for measuring total production cross section:

- Require 3 leptons (including τ) with at least 1 OSSF pair
- $60 < m(l_{Z1}l_{Z2}) < 120$ GeV
- $m_{ll} > 4$ GeV any OSSF pair

CMS WZ production: Total Inclusive Production Cross Section

$$\sigma_{\text{tot}}(\text{pp} \rightarrow \text{WZ}) = \frac{N_{\text{WZ}}^{\text{SR}}}{B(\text{W} \rightarrow \ell\nu)B(\text{Z} \rightarrow \ell'\ell')\mathcal{A}\epsilon\mathcal{L}}f_{\tau}$$

L: total collected integrated luminosity

N_{WZ}: postfit yield for the WZ process

f_τ: account for nonfiducial signal events in SR due to leptonic τ decays

ε: efficiency of SR selection over FR, computed with nom. and alt. WZ MC

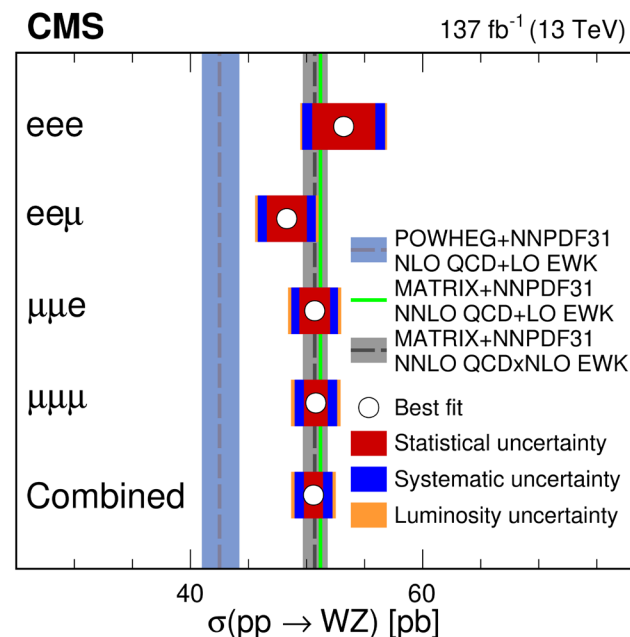
A: acceptance factor from TR to FR, computed with both WZ MC

B: branching fraction from current world averages

$$\sigma_{\text{tot}}(\text{pp} \rightarrow \text{WZ}) = 50.6 \pm 0.8 \text{ (stat)} \pm 1.5 \text{ (syst)} \\ \pm 1.1 \text{ (lumi)} \pm 0.5 \text{ (theo)} \text{ pb}$$

- Consistent with previous ATLAS and CMS results. With relative uncertainty of 4%.
- NNLO cross section predictions needed to describe the cross section within experimental uncertainty.

ATLAS results: 51.0 pb with relative uncertainty 4.8%



CMS WZ production: Boson Polarization

Results in helicity (HE) frame, where the polarization angle is measured between \mathbf{p}^l in rest frame of W/Z, and $\mathbf{p}^{W/Z}$ in lab frame.

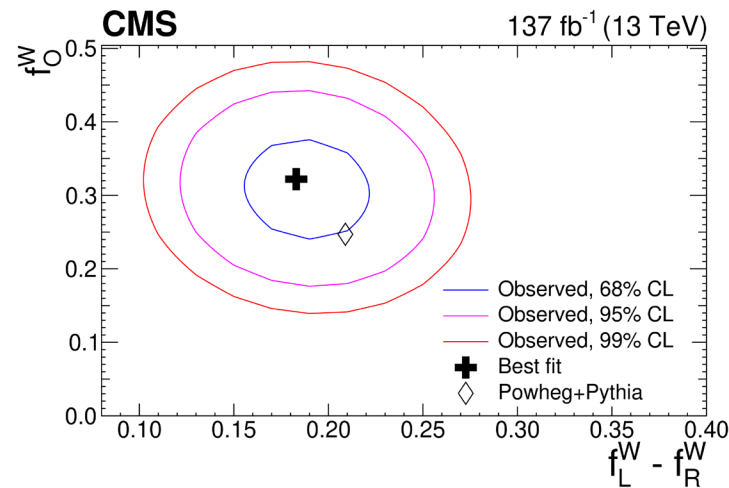
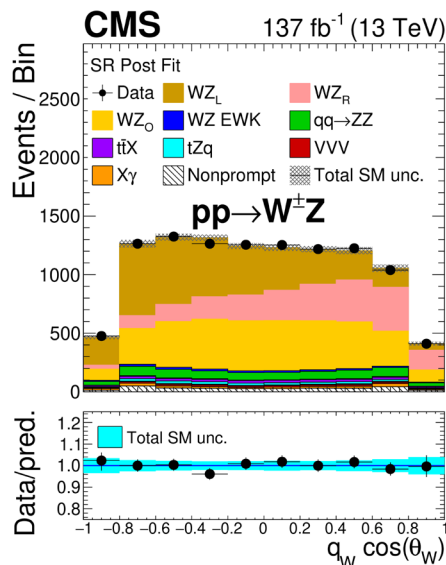
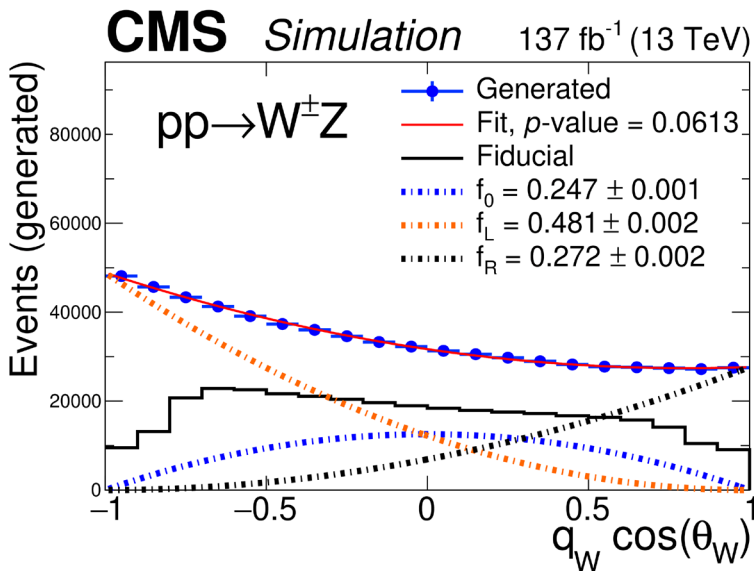
$$\frac{1}{\sigma} \frac{d\sigma}{d \cos \theta_{W^\pm}} = \frac{3}{8} \left\{ [1 \mp \cos(\theta_{W^\pm})]^2 f_L^W + [1 \pm \cos(\theta_{W^\pm})]^2 f_R^W + 2 \sin^2(\theta_{W^\pm}) f_0^W \right\}$$

$$\frac{1}{\sigma} \frac{d\sigma}{d \cos \theta_Z} = \frac{3}{8} \left\{ [1 + \cos^2(\theta_Z) - 2c \cos(\theta_Z)] f_L^Z + [1 + \cos^2(\theta_Z) + 2c \cos(\theta_Z)] f_R^Z + 2 \sin^2(\theta_Z) f_0^Z \right\}$$

Split MC into 3 polarization components. Extract expected polarization fractions from MC gen-level fit

Reweight WZ MC event to match gen-level distr. for each polarization state

Measure polarization fractions by likelihood fitting (Similar procedure for Z)



Also measure significance for longitudinally polarized bosons. Way above 5 σ for Z. Observed(expected) 5.6 (4.3) σ for W \rightarrow first observation in WZ channel

CMS ZZ Cross Sections

137 fb⁻¹ at 13 TeV, [CMS-SMP-19-001](#), [EPJC 81 \(2021\) 200](#)

ZZ total production cross section measured with ZZ → 2l2l' events, l, l' = e or μ:

$$\sigma_{\text{tot}}(\text{pp} \rightarrow \text{ZZ}) = 17.4 \pm 0.3(\text{stat}) \pm 0.5(\text{syst}) \pm 0.4(\text{theo}) \pm 0.3(\text{lumi}) \text{ pb}$$

- Consistent with SM prediction. Relative uncertainty less than 5%
- NNLO cross section prediction needed to describe the cross section within experimental uncertainty

Fiducial Region:

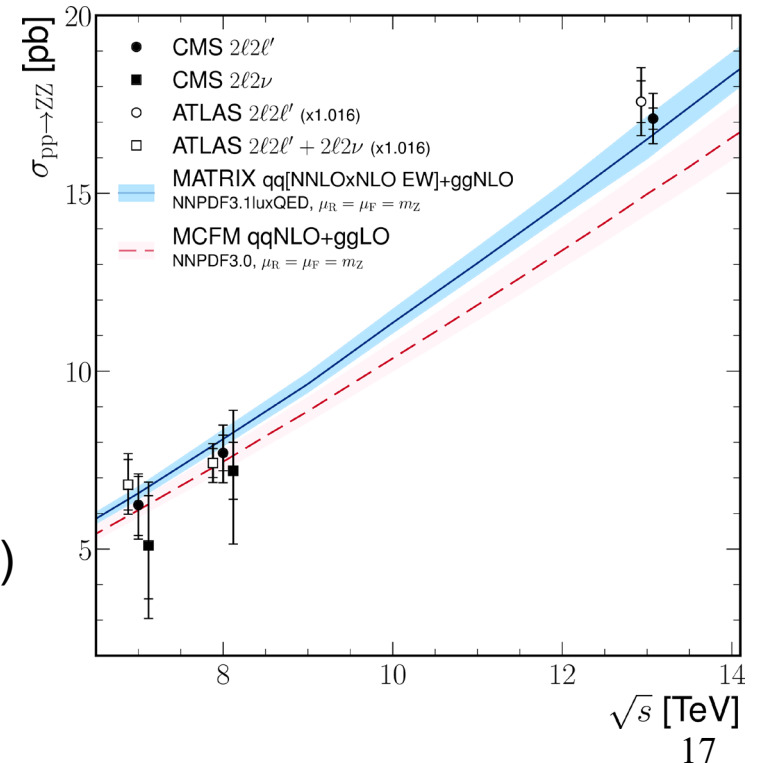
$$p_{\text{T}}^{l1} > 20 \text{ GeV}, p_{\text{T}}^{l2} > 10 \text{ GeV}, p_{\text{T}}^{l3,4} > 5 \text{ GeV}$$

$$|\eta^l| < 2.5,$$

$m_{ll} > 4 \text{ GeV}$ any OSSF pair (remove low mass resonances)

$$60 < m_{Z1}, m_{Z2} < 120 \text{ GeV (on-shell ZZ)}$$

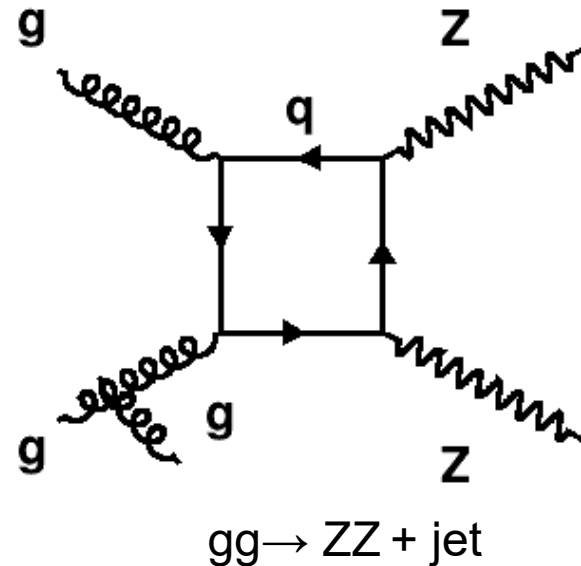
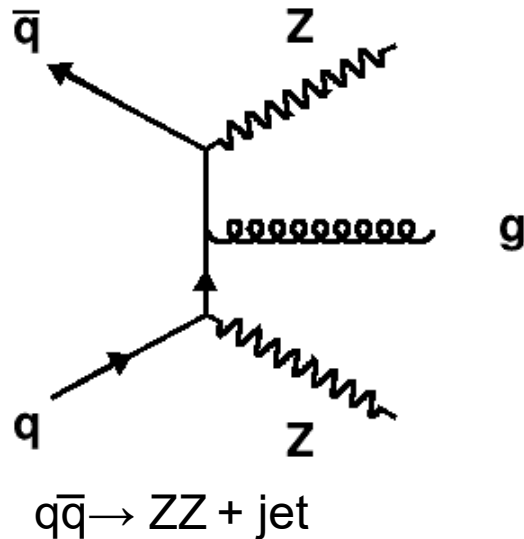
Fiducial and differential cross sections are also measured.



CMS ZZ+jets (Previous Results)

19.7 and 35.9 fb⁻¹ at 8 and 13 TeV respectively, [CMS-SMP-17-005](#), [Phys. Lett. B 789 \(2019\) 19](#)

- Measure in leptonic decay modes: $ZZ \rightarrow 2l2l'$, where $l, l' = e$ or μ , associated with jets
- Measure differential cross sections as function of jet multiplicity and the kinematic properties of the two p_T -leading jets, including variables sensitive to VBS, such as m_{jj} and $\Delta\eta_{jj}$



CMS ZZ+jets (Previous Results): Selection

Fiducial region definition:

8 TeV	13 TeV
$p_T^e > 7 \text{ GeV}, \eta^e < 2.5$	$p_T^e > 5 \text{ GeV}, \eta^e < 2.5$
$p_T^\mu > 5 \text{ GeV}, \eta^\mu < 2.4$	$p_T^\mu > 5 \text{ GeV}, \eta^\mu < 2.5$

Common definitions

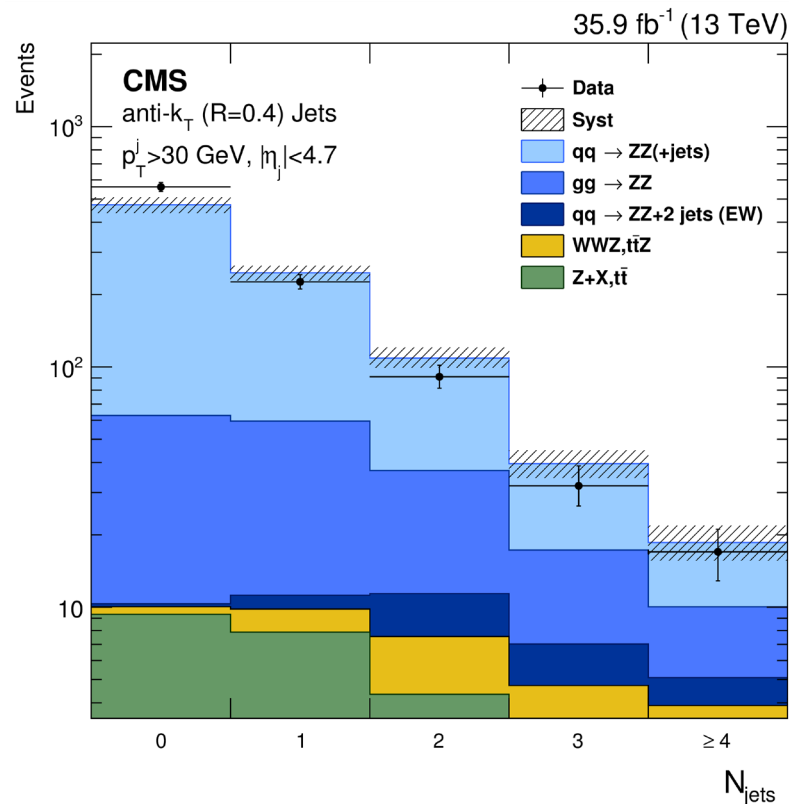
$$p_T^{\ell_1} > 20 \text{ GeV}, p_T^{\ell_2} > 10 \text{ GeV} \quad p_T^j > 30 \text{ GeV}, |\eta_j| < 4.7$$

$$m_{\ell^+\ell^-} > 4 \text{ GeV} \text{ (any opposite-sign same-flavor pair)}$$

$$60 < (m_{Z_1}, m_{Z_2}) < 120 \text{ GeV}$$

↑
on-shell ZZ

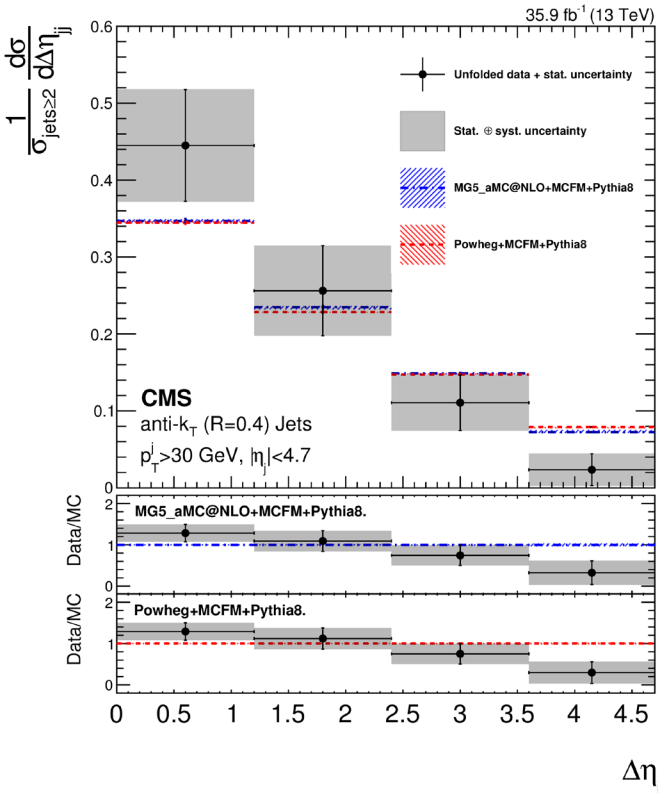
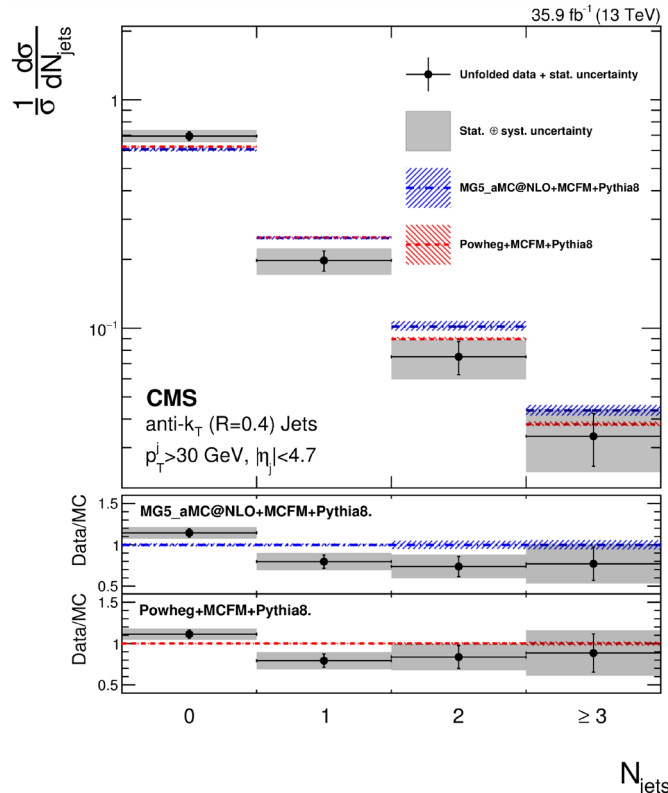
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Remove low mass resonances



Reconstructed distribution

CMS ZZ+jets (Previous Results): Differential Cross Sections

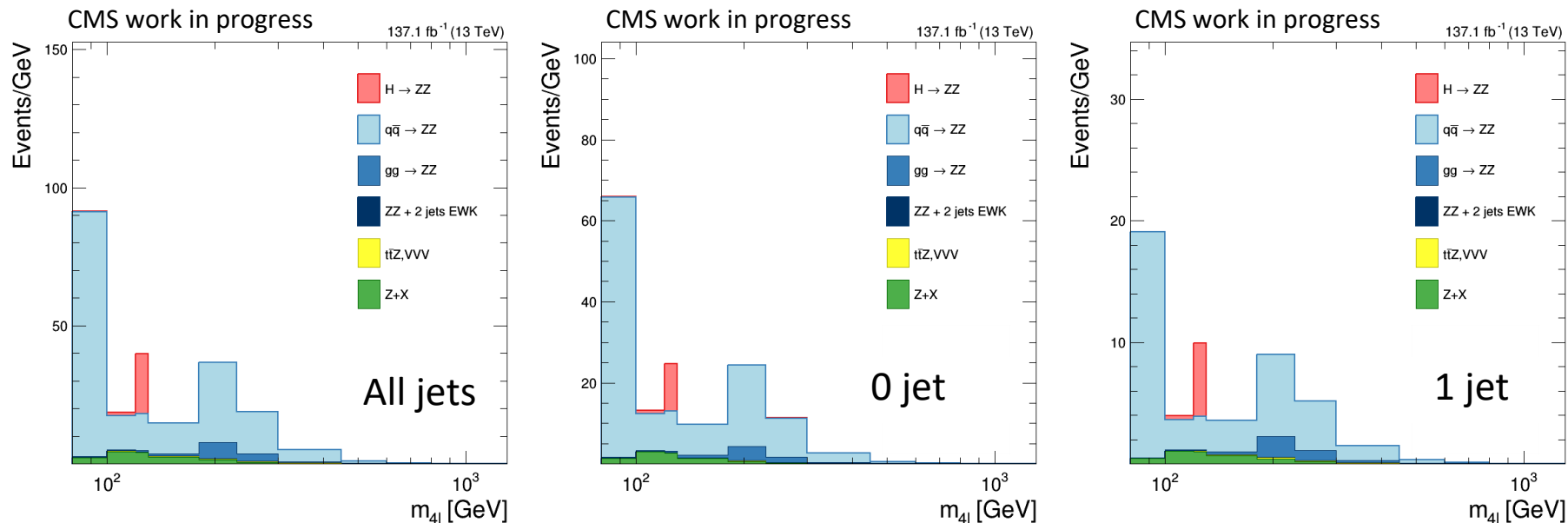
- Event selection efficiency and detector resolution effects corrected with iterative D'Agostini unfolding method
- Overall good agreement between data and theoretical predictions



Data/prediction comparison ranging from small Δη_{jj} (large jet production) to large Δη_{jj} (important for EWK ZZjj production) and in overall good agreement.

→ Understanding QCD ZZ is important for EWK ZZ discovery

CMS ZZ+jets: Work in Progress



etc.

- Similar to CMS-SMP-17-005 selections and analysis approach, with full Run2 dataset at 13 TeV
- Also include differential cross sections as function of m_{4l} , both with and without on-shell ZZ requirement ($60 < m_{Z1}, m_{Z2} < 120$ GeV), and requiring different numbers of jets
- At the top we show predictions for m_{4l} distributions for different jet multiplicities without on-shell ZZ requirement, where the number of events in each bin is normalized by bin width

Summary

Recent ATLAS and CMS QCD VV results presented:

- ATLAS WW+ ≥ 1 jet with full Run2 dataset
 - ATLAS four-lepton events with full Run2 dataset
 - CMS WZ production with full Run2 dataset
 - CMS ZZ cross section with full Run2 dataset
 - CMS ZZ+jets with full Run2 dataset (work in progress)
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- CMS and ATLAS measurements reaching better than 5% uncertainty -- NNLO prediction needed to describe the data
 - Agreement at high jet multiplicities and jet rapidity shown in several analyses, demonstrating understanding of background necessary for EWK measurements

Backup

ATLAS $W^+W^- + \geq 1$ jet: MC and Background

Nominal MC

Process	Generator	Parton shower	Matrix element $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s)$	Normalization
$q\bar{q} \rightarrow WW$	SHERPA 2.2.2	SHERPA	NLO (0–1 jet), LO (2–3 jets)	Generator [†]
$gg \rightarrow WW$	SHERPA 2.2.2	SHERPA	LO (0–1 jet)	Generator ← Includes Higgs contributions
$t\bar{t}$	POWHEG-BOX v2	PYTHIA 8	NLO	NNLO+NNLL
Wt	POWHEG-BOX v2	PYTHIA 8	NLO	NLO+NNLL
Z+jets	SHERPA 2.2.1	SHERPA	NLO (0–2 jets), LO (3–4 jets)	NNLO
WZ, ZZ	SHERPA 2.2.2	SHERPA	NLO (0–1 jet), LO (2–3 jets)	Generator [†]
$W\gamma, Z\gamma$	SHERPA 2.2.8	SHERPA	NLO (0–1 jet), LO (2–3 jets)	Generator [†]
VVV	SHERPA 2.2.2	SHERPA	NLO (0–1 jet), LO (2–3 jets)	Generator [†]

[†]: The cross-section calculated by SHERPA is found to be in good agreement with the NNLO result [67–70, 73].

Background Estimate:

- Top-quark background (90% of the total background)
 - $t\bar{t}$ from data-driven technique (correction factor from simulation)
 - Single-top Wt from simulation (16% of the top background)
- Drell-Yan Z+jets from simulation
- Events with nonprompt or misidentified leptons, estimated from data-driven technique
- Diboson (from simulation) and triboson production (negligible in simulation)

ATLAS $W^+W^- + \geq 1$ jet: EFT interpretation

- Q_W dim-6 aTGC operator of particular interest for VV analysis
- Interference of SM and anomalous amplitudes suppressed with increasing energy due to different helicities of the dominant contributions to the two amplitudes
- This weakens limits on Wilson coefficient c_W in VV measurement and poses problem for validity of interpretation in dim-6 model
- Requiring a hard jet ($p_T > 200$ GeV) reduces this interference suppression

CI for c_W from linearized/quadratic EFT fit of $m_{e\mu}$ cross section, $\Lambda = 1$ TeV

Jet p_T	Linear only	68% CI obs.	95% CI obs.	68% CI exp.	95% CI exp.
> 30 GeV	yes	[-1.64, 2.86]	[-3.85, 4.97]	[-2.30, 2.27]	[-4.53, 4.41]
> 30 GeV	no	[-0.20, 0.20]	[-0.33, 0.33]	[-0.28, 0.27]	[-0.39, 0.38]
> 200 GeV	yes	[-0.29, 1.84]	[-1.37, 2.81]	[-1.12, 1.09]	[-2.24, 2.10]
> 200 GeV	no	[-0.43, 0.46]	[-0.60, 0.58]	[-0.38, 0.33]	[-0.53, 0.48]

ATLAS 4l Events: MC and Background

- $q\bar{q} \rightarrow 4l$ including $Z \rightarrow 4l$: SHERPA at NLO (0-1 jet), LO (up to 3 jets)
alternatively with: POWHEG at NLO
- $gg \rightarrow 4l$: SHERPA at LO (0-1 jet)
- **Dedicated for on-shell Higgs production:**
 - **ggH**: POWHEG NNLOPS at NNLO
 - **VBF, VH, ttH**: POWHEG
- **VVV** with SHERPA at NLO (inclusive), LO (up to 2 jets)
ttV(V) with MadGraph5_aMC@NLO at NLO (for particle-level predictions)
with SHERPA at LO (0-1 jet) (for detector corrections)

Background

One or more non-prompt leptons in 4l, estimated using data-driven method (fake factor)

ATLAS 4l Events: Measured Cross Sections

	Region				
	Full	$Z \rightarrow 4\ell$	$H \rightarrow 4\ell$	Off-shell ZZ	On-shell ZZ
Measured	88.9	22.1	4.76	12.4	49.3
fiducial	± 1.1 (stat.)	± 0.7 (stat.)	± 0.29 (stat.)	± 0.5 (stat.)	± 0.8 (stat.)
cross-section	± 2.3 (syst.)	± 1.1 (syst.)	± 0.18 (syst.)	± 0.6 (syst.)	± 0.8 (syst.)
[fb]	± 1.5 (lumi.)	± 0.4 (lumi.)	± 0.08 (lumi.)	± 0.2 (lumi.)	± 0.8 (lumi.)
	± 3.0 (total)	± 1.3 (total)	± 0.35 (total)	± 0.8 (total)	± 1.3 (total)
SHERPA	86 ± 5	23.6 ± 1.5	4.57 ± 0.21	11.5 ± 0.7	46.0 ± 2.9
POWHEG + PYTHIA8	83 ± 5	21.2 ± 1.3	4.38 ± 0.20	10.7 ± 0.7	46.4 ± 3.0

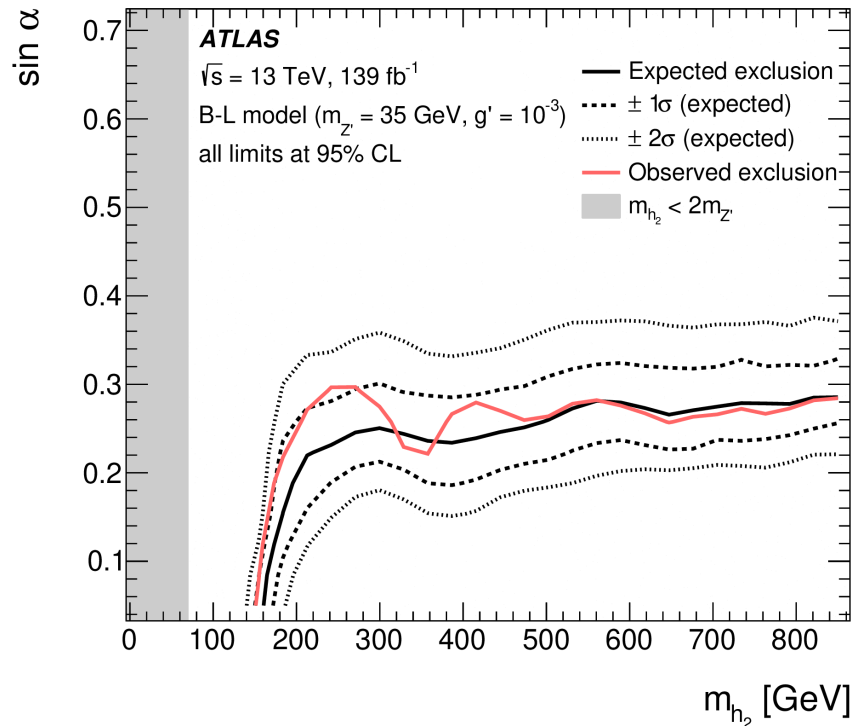
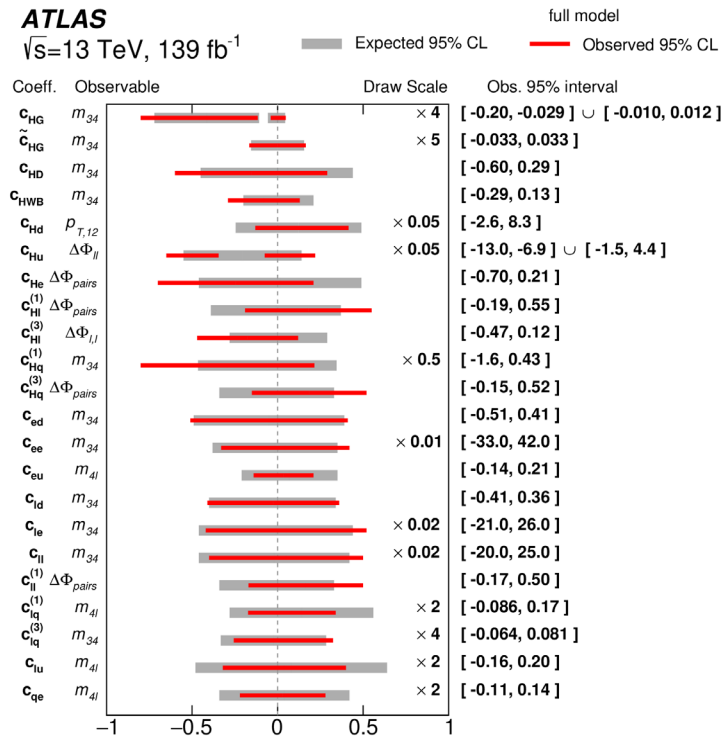
$Z \rightarrow 4l$ branching fraction extracted using the measured cross section in $Z \rightarrow 4l$ region:

$$B_{Z \rightarrow 4l} = (4.41 \pm 0.13 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 0.23 \text{ (syst.)} \pm 0.09 \text{ (theory)} \pm 0.12 \text{ (lumi.)}) \times 10^{-6}$$

Compatible with previous measurements and SM prediction with POWHEG. Current measurement is the most precise to date.

ATLAS 4I Events: Constraint on BSM

- Confidence intervals at 95% CL for the SMEFT Wilson coefficients. Most sensitive observable is used for the constraints for each coefficient.
- Exclusion contour at 95% CL for a model based on spontaneously broken B-L gauge symmetry.



CMS WZ production: MC and Background

- **WZ signal:** POWHEG at NLO
alternatively with: MadGraph5_aMC@NLO at NLO (0-1 jet)

SM Background MC

- **qq-initiated WW and ZZ:** POWHEG at NLO
- MadGraph5_aMC@NLO at NLO for:
 - **Other diboson processes** ($Z\gamma$, $W\gamma$, ZH , and WH)
 - **Triboson production** (WWW , WWZ , WZZ , ZZZ , and $WZ\gamma$)
 - **Associated production of top** ($t\bar{t}$, $t\bar{t}W$, $t\bar{t}Z$, $t\bar{t}H$, $t\bar{t}\gamma$, and tZq)
- **ggWW, ggZZ:** MCFM at LO
- **EW WZ:** MadGraph5_aMC@NLO at LO

Irreducible Background (14% SR yield)

Mainly ZZ production (6% of SR yield), $t\bar{t}Z$ and tZq (together 3.2% SR yield), $X\gamma$ (1.5% SR yield)
Each estimated from MC predictions and validated in corresponding CR

Reducible Background (2.4% SR yield)

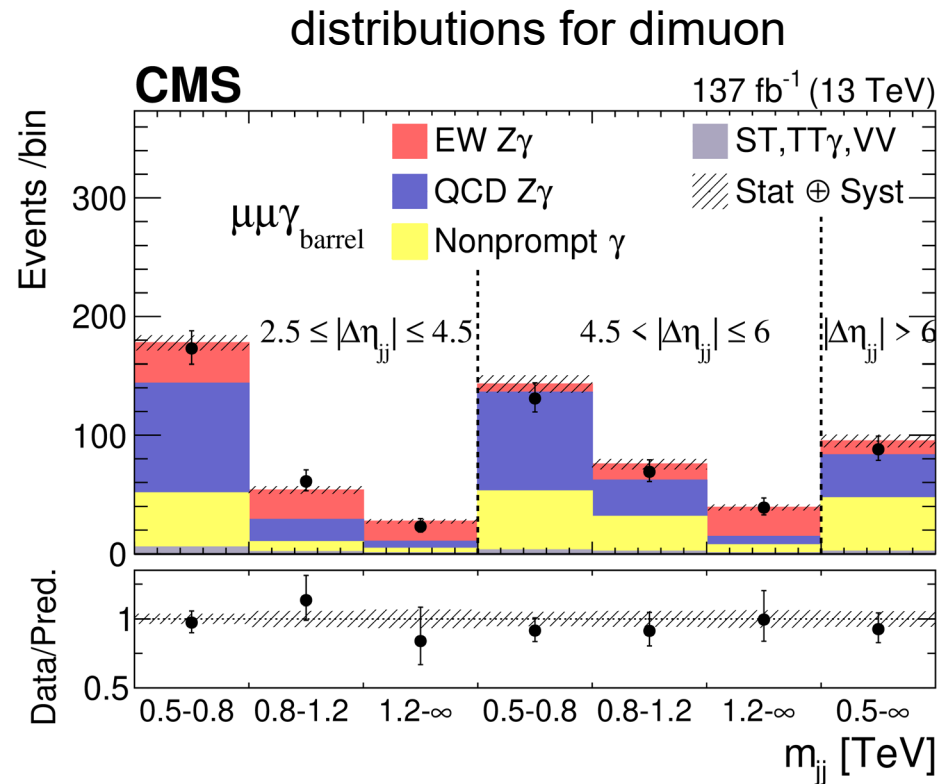
Events with nonprompt or misidentified lepton, mostly due to Z +jets and $t\bar{t}$ production
Estimated with tight-to-loose data-driven method

Introduction: QCD VV as Dominant Background for EW Studies

EW production of $Z\gamma$

137fb⁻¹ at 13 TeV with full Run2 dataset, [CMS-SMP-20-016](#), [Phys. Rev. D 104 \(2021\) 072001](#)

- A simultaneous maximum likelihood (ML) fit is used to extract the signal significance, signal strength, fiducial cross sections, and unfolded differential cross sections for both EW and EW+QCD production of $Z\gamma$.
- Constraints on EFT dim-8 operators for aQGC
- **QCD production constitutes major background for EW studies, and this is similar for the case of ZZ**



Z+jets differential cross sections

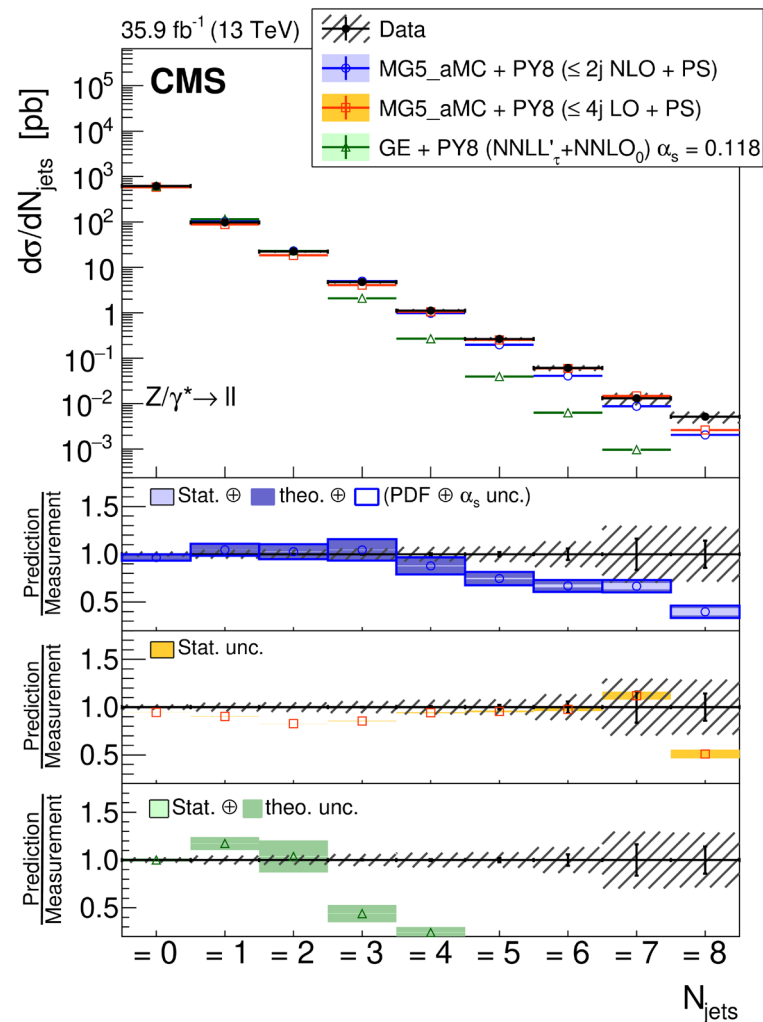
[CMS-SMP-19-009](#) Submitted to *Phys. Rev. D*

35.9 fb^{-1} at 13 TeV; jets with $p_T > 30 \text{ GeV}$, $|\eta| < 2.4$

Differential cross sections measured as function of exclusive/inclusive jet multiplicity, and kinematic variables such as p_T , y and HT

Compared with 3 predictions:

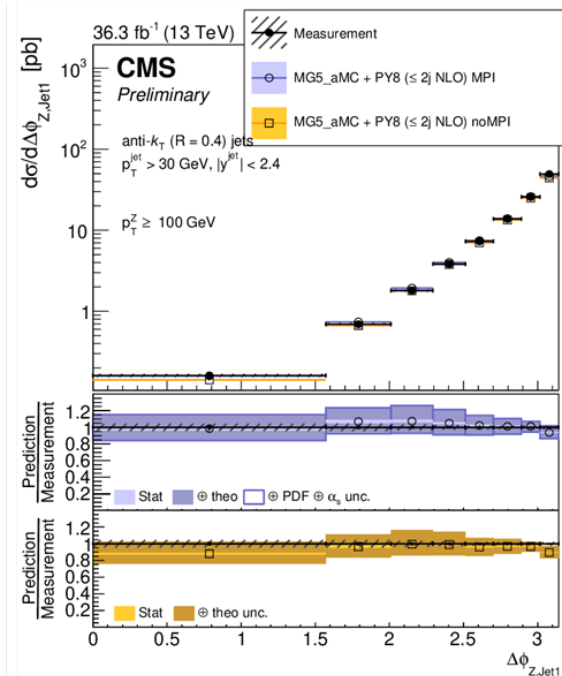
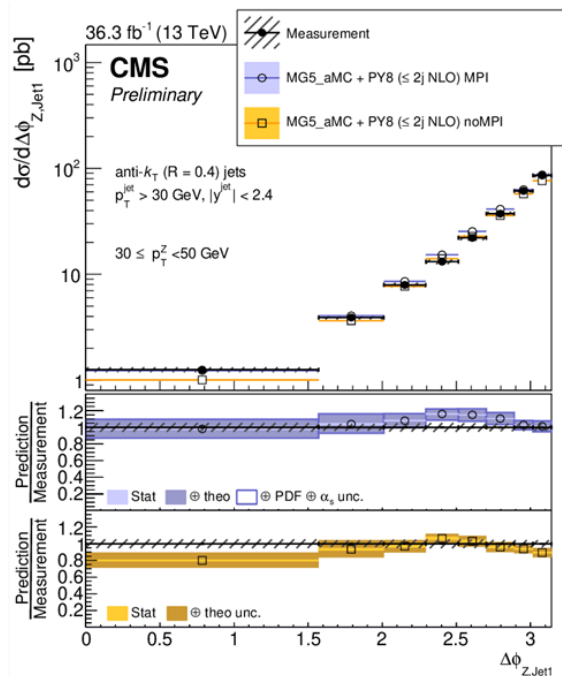
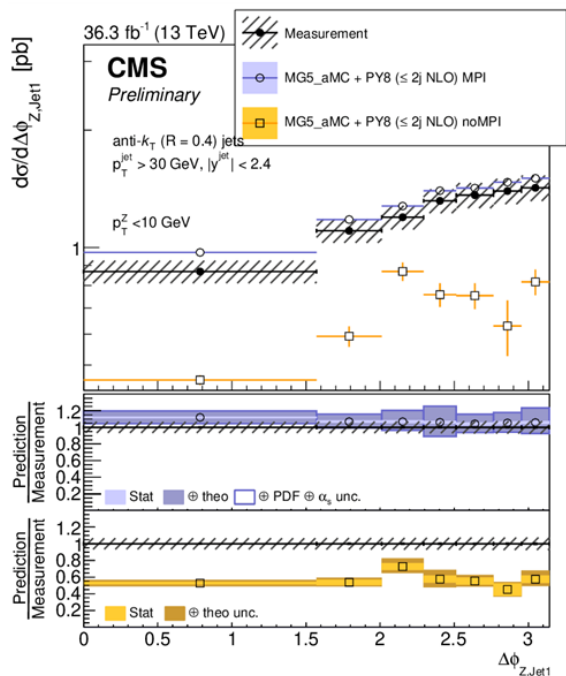
- MG5_aMC + PYTHIA 8 at NLO with 0,1,2 jets
 - MG5_aMC + PYTHIA 8 at LO with 0,1,2,3,4 jets
 - GENEVA (NNLL'_τ + NNLO₀) + PYTHIA 8
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- Good agreement for exclusive distributions for all theoretical predictions, up to maximum number of final-state partons in ME
 - GENEVA predicts steeper spectrum than observed, due to lack of hard jets at ME level beyond two



Z+jets differential cross sections: azimuthal correlations

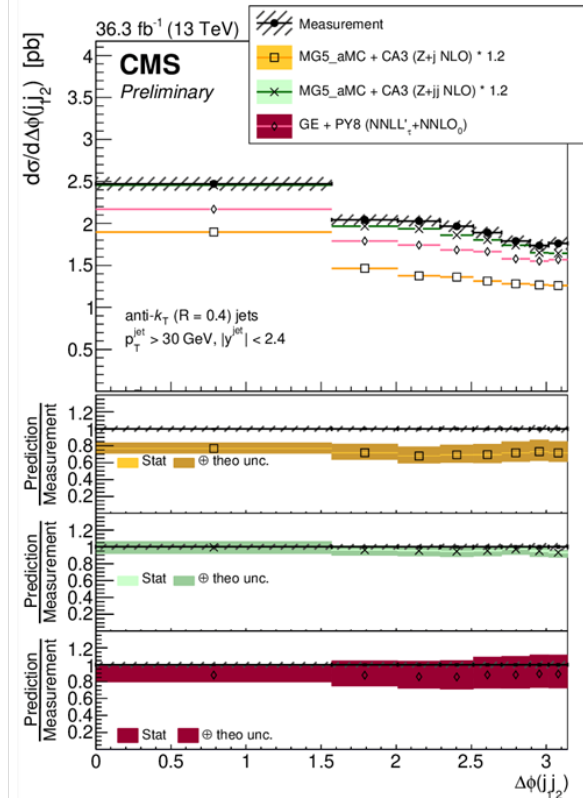
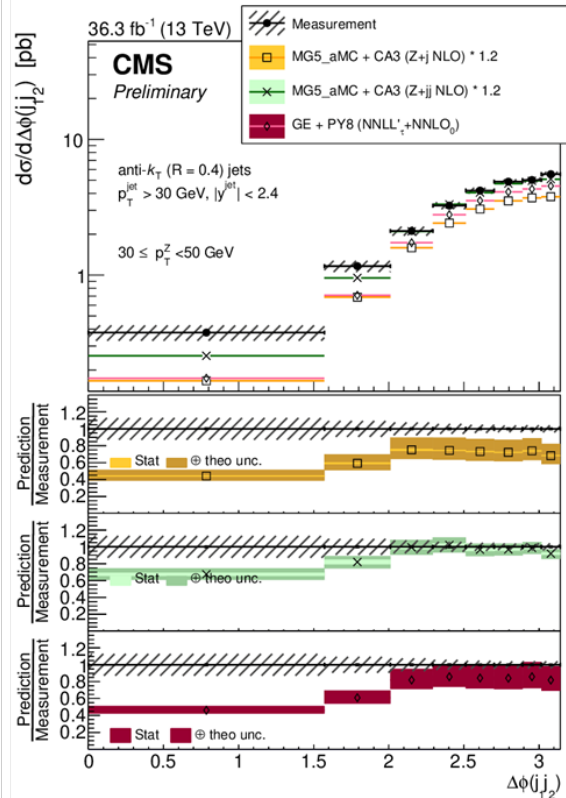
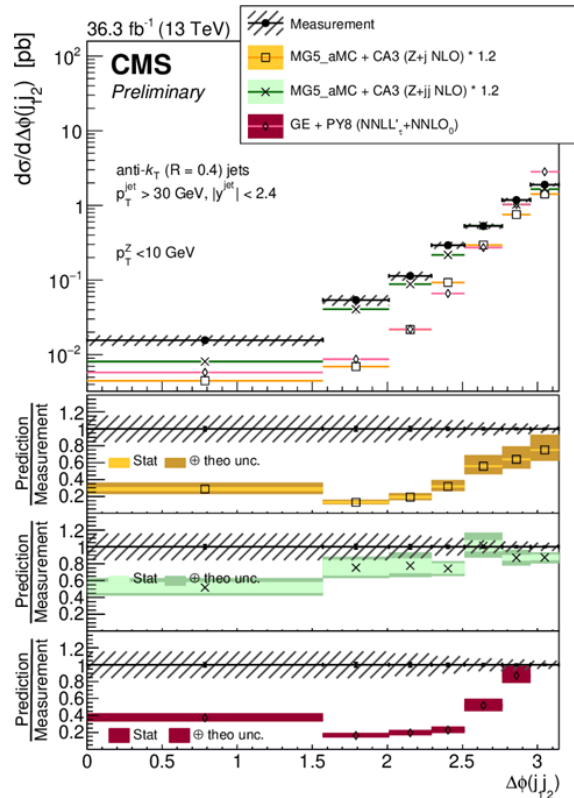
[CMS-SMP-21-003](#), results released July 2021, 36.3 fb⁻¹ at 13 TeV

- Azimuthal correlations $\Delta\phi$ (Z, j_1) and $\Delta\phi$ (j_1, j_2) for different p_T (Z) range are measured
- Measurement compared with MG5_aMC + PYTHIA 8 ($\leq 2j$) with and without multi-parton interactions. Predictions with MPI in good agreement with measurement.



Z+jets differential cross sections: azimuthal correlations

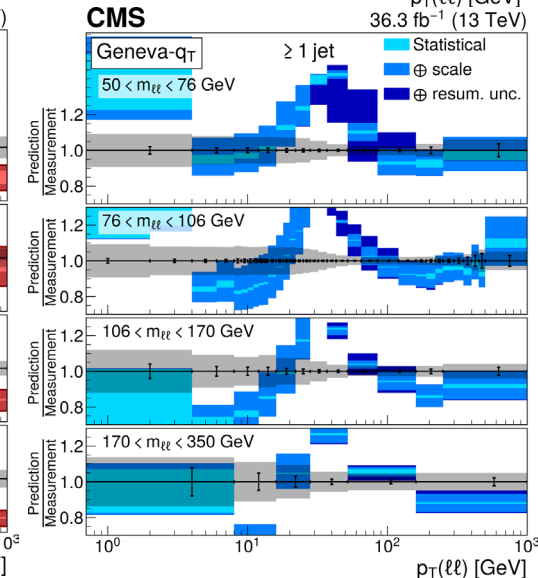
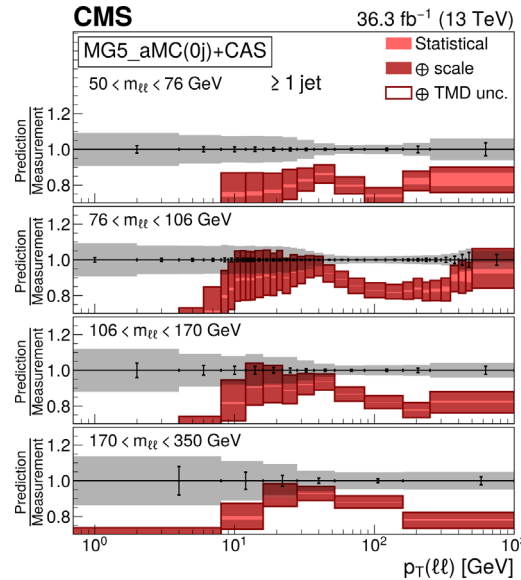
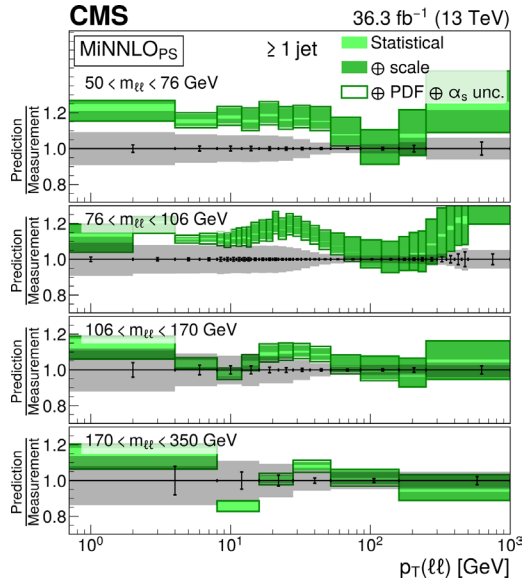
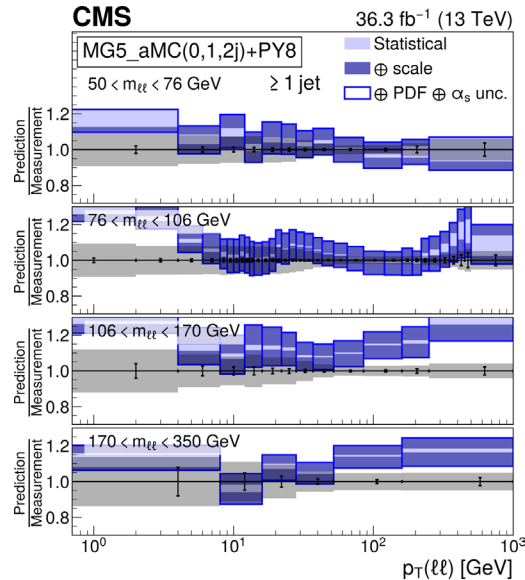
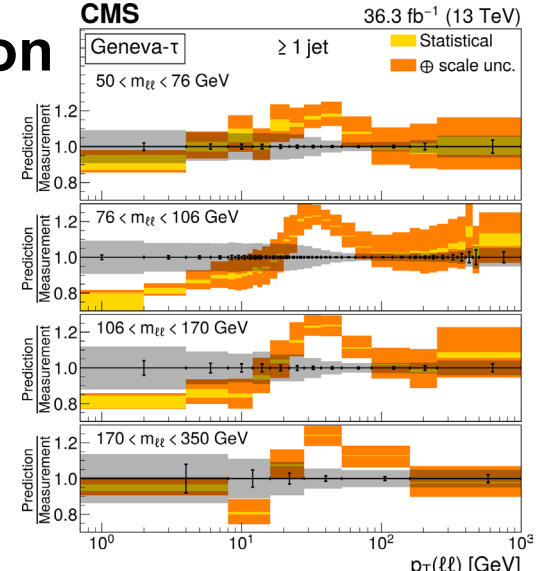
Also compare with predictions (MG5_aMC + CA3, Z+j & Z+jj) based on newly developed Parton Branching (PB) transverse momentum dependent (TMD) parton densities together with TMD based parton shower (CASCADE3), with hadronization using PYTHIA 6. MPI not simulated in this approach.



Mass dependence of di-lepton p_T in Drell-Yan production

[CMS-SMP-20-003](#), submitted to EPJC, 36.3 fb⁻¹ at 13 TeV

- Differential cross sections measured as function of $m_{\ell\ell}$, $p_T(\ell\ell)$ and φ_{η}^* (derived from angular measurement of leptons)
- Compared with 6 predictions (5 for measurement requiring ≥ 1 jet)
- None of the predictions describe data perfectly in the whole explored phase space



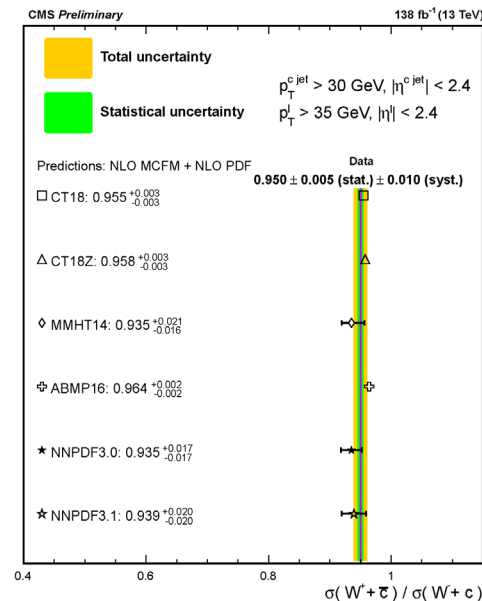
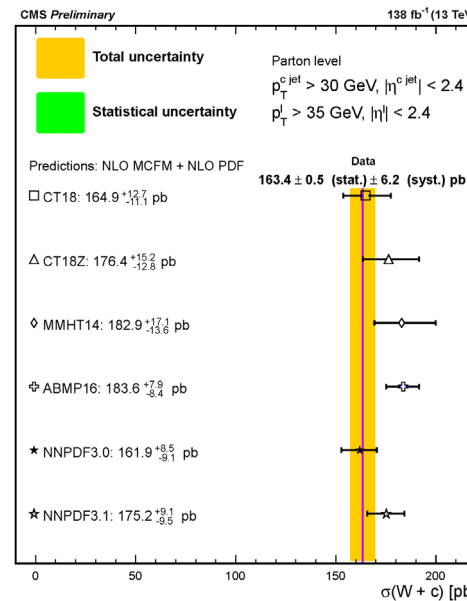
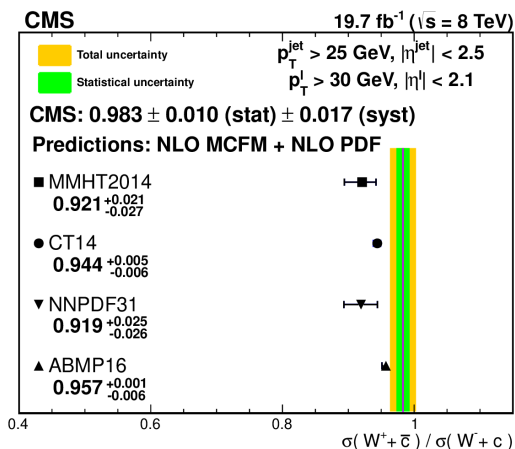
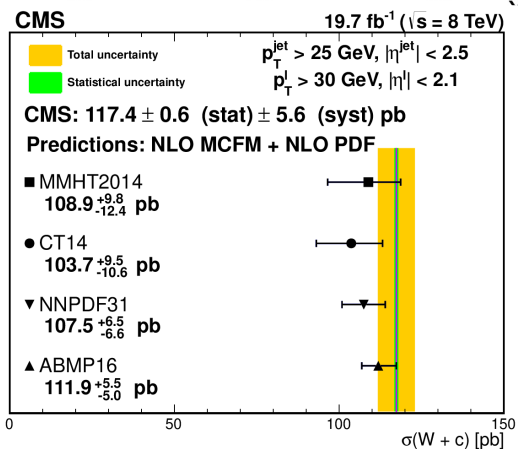
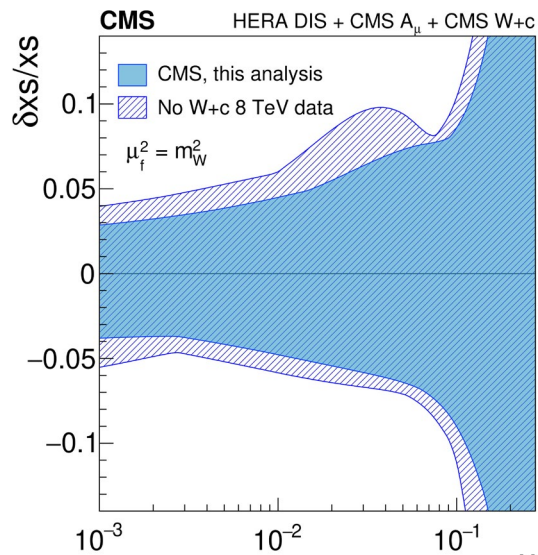
Effect of 8 TeV measurement on relative unc. in strange PDF

V + heavy flavor jets: W+c, 8 and 13 TeV

8 TeV: [CMS-SMP-18-013](#) submitted to EPJC

13 TeV full Run2: [CMS-PAS-SMP-21-005](#) new preliminary results

- Sensitive to strange quark content, constitutes major background in e.g. WH production with $H \rightarrow c\bar{c}$
- W+c production cross sections and the cross section ratio $\sigma(W^+ + \bar{c}) / \sigma(W^- + c)$ are measured inclusively (shown below) and differentially, and compared with theoretical predictions.



V + heavy flavor jets: Z+b

13 TeV with full Run2 dataset, [CMS-SMP-20-015](#), [Phys. Rev. D 105 \(2022\) 092014](#)

- Can test perturbative QCD, provides information on b quark PDFs, and constitutes major background for ZH, $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$
- Measurement includes integrated cross sections and differential distributions of Z ($\rightarrow \ell\ell$) + ≥ 1 b jet and Z ($\rightarrow \ell\ell$) + ≥ 2 b jet, and ≥ 1 jet, ≥ 2 jet cross section ratios.

