

# Multiboson measurements at ATLAS and CMS

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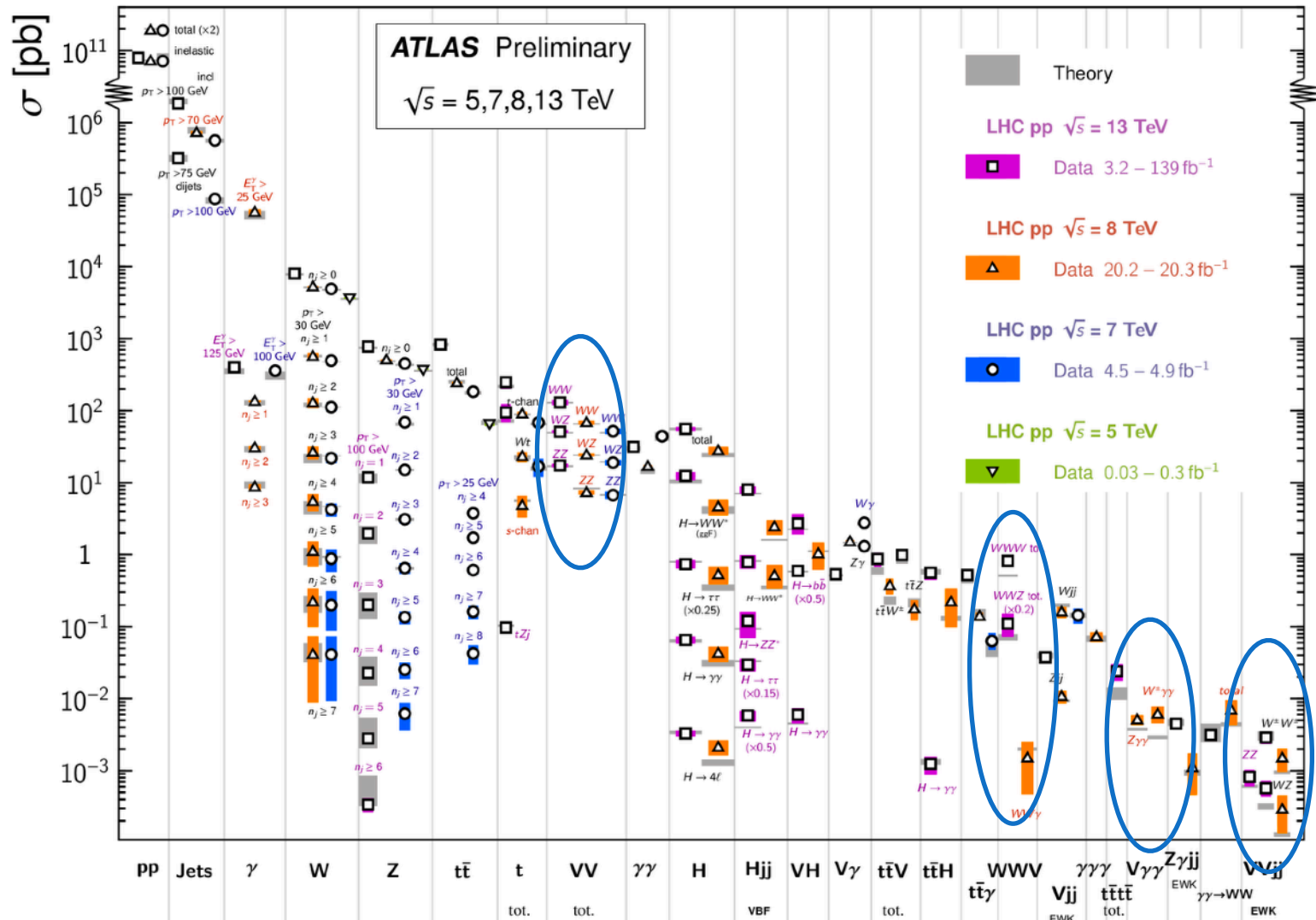


# Motivation

- Electroweak-boson self-interactions are rare processes that serve as:
  - an excellent probe to the Standard Model predictions
  - a portal to Physics Beyond the Standard Model, through the Effective Field Theories
- Going to focus to the newest results on **triboson**, **diboson** and processes that include **aQGCs**

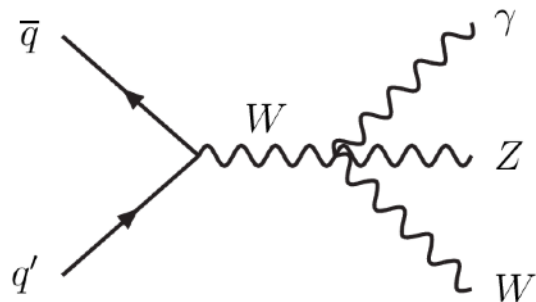
Standard Model Production Cross Section Measurements

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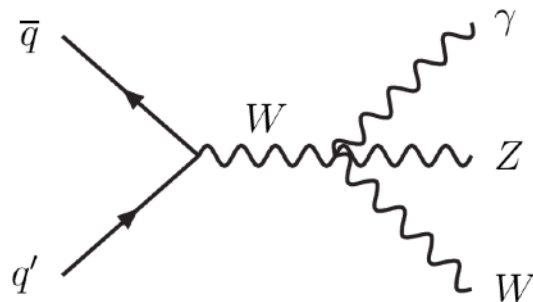
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Ana Cueto's talk on EFT's on Monday

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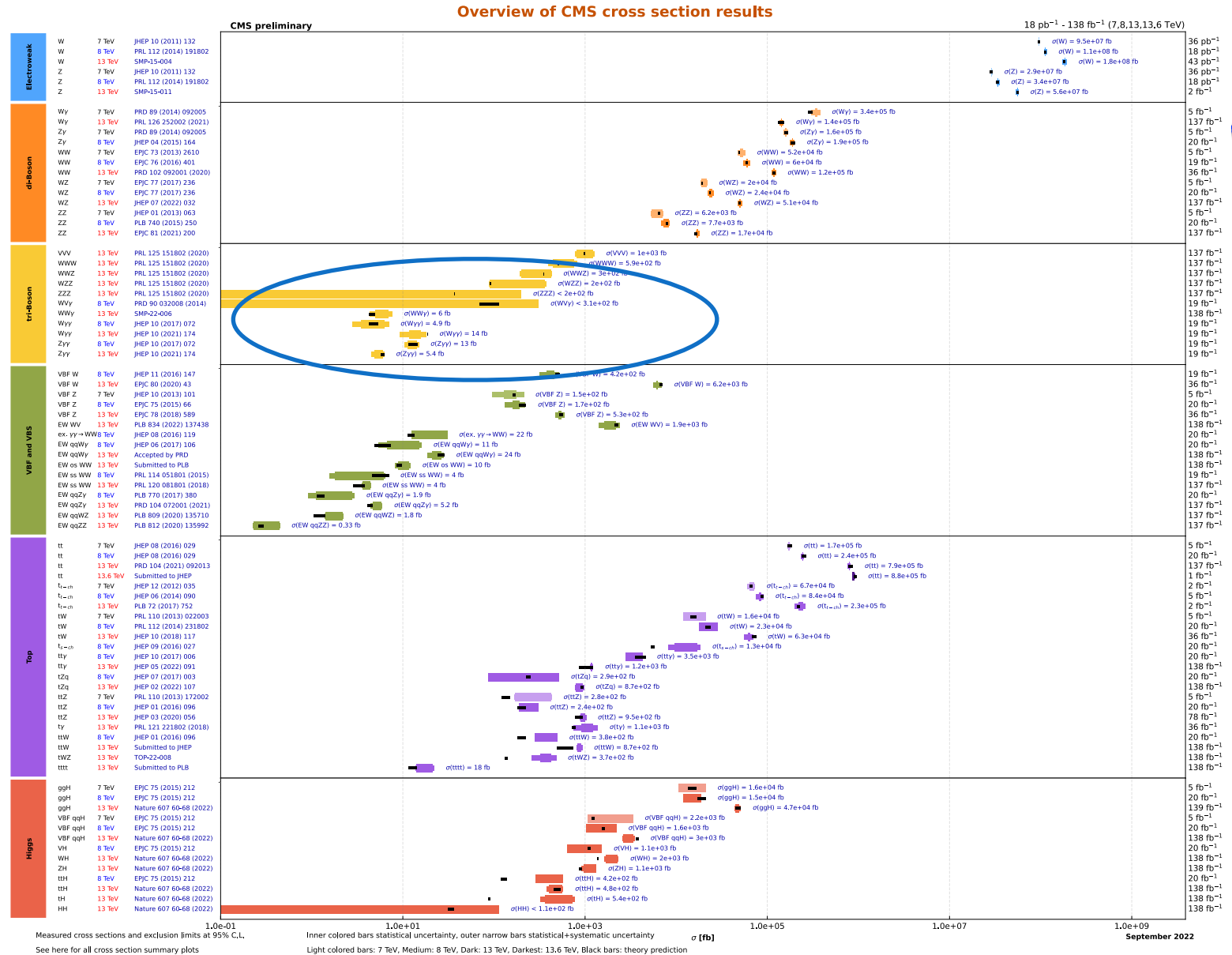


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# First results

- First results of triboson processes in ATLAS and CMS using Run 2 datasets
- First evidence for WWW and WWZ at ATLAS in 2019
  - Partial Run 2 dataset 80 fb<sup>-1</sup>
  - Observed: WWW 3.2σ
- First observation of VVV at CMS in 2020
  - Full Run 2 dataset 137 fb<sup>-1</sup>
  - Observed: VVV 5.7σ



# ATLAS WWW

- 2 final states:

- $W_{\pm}W_{\pm}W_{\mp} \rightarrow 2l2\nu2j$ :

- Signature:

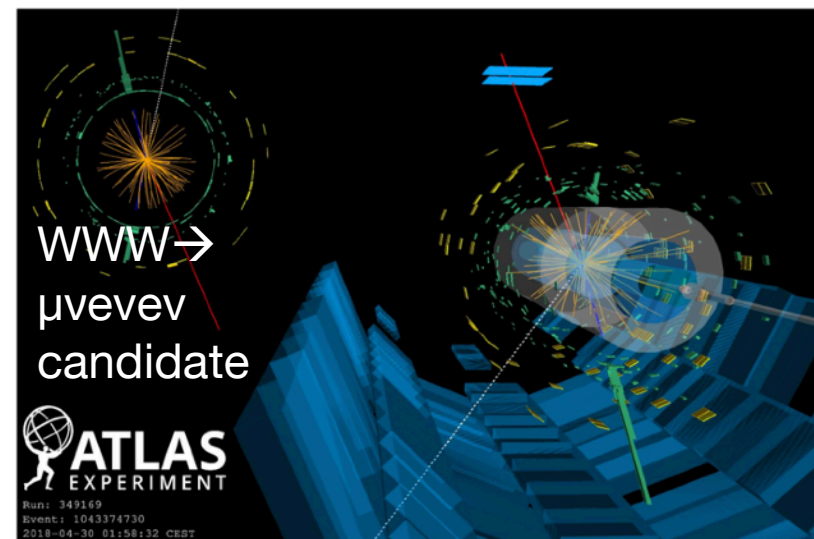
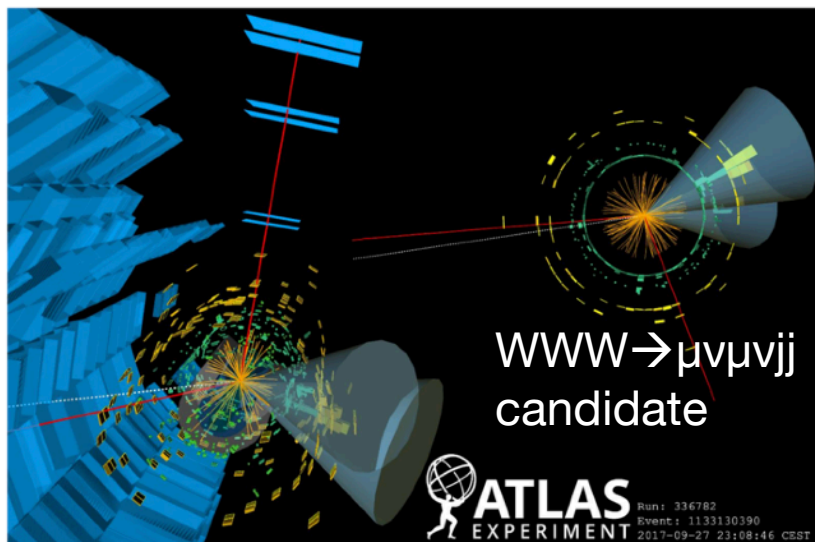
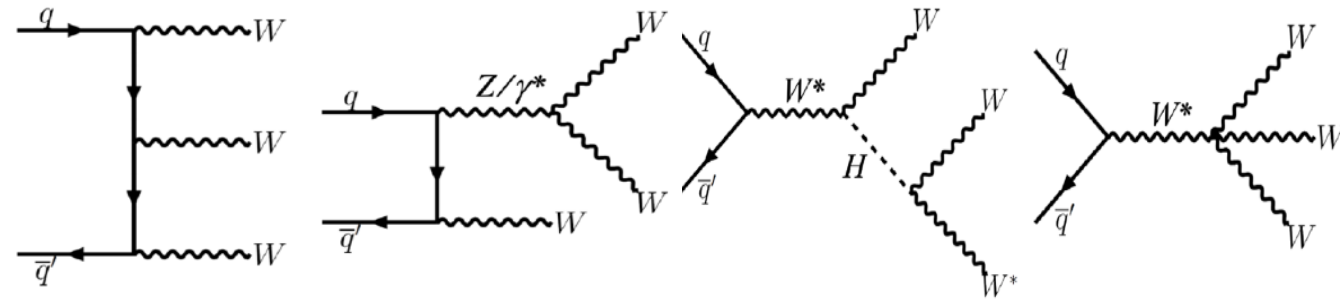
$e^{\pm} e^{\pm} jj +$ ETmiss	$e^{\pm} \mu^{\pm} jj +$ ETmiss	$\mu^{\pm} \mu^{\pm} jj +$ ETmiss
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- $W_{\pm}W_{\pm}W_{\mp} \rightarrow 3l3\nu$ :

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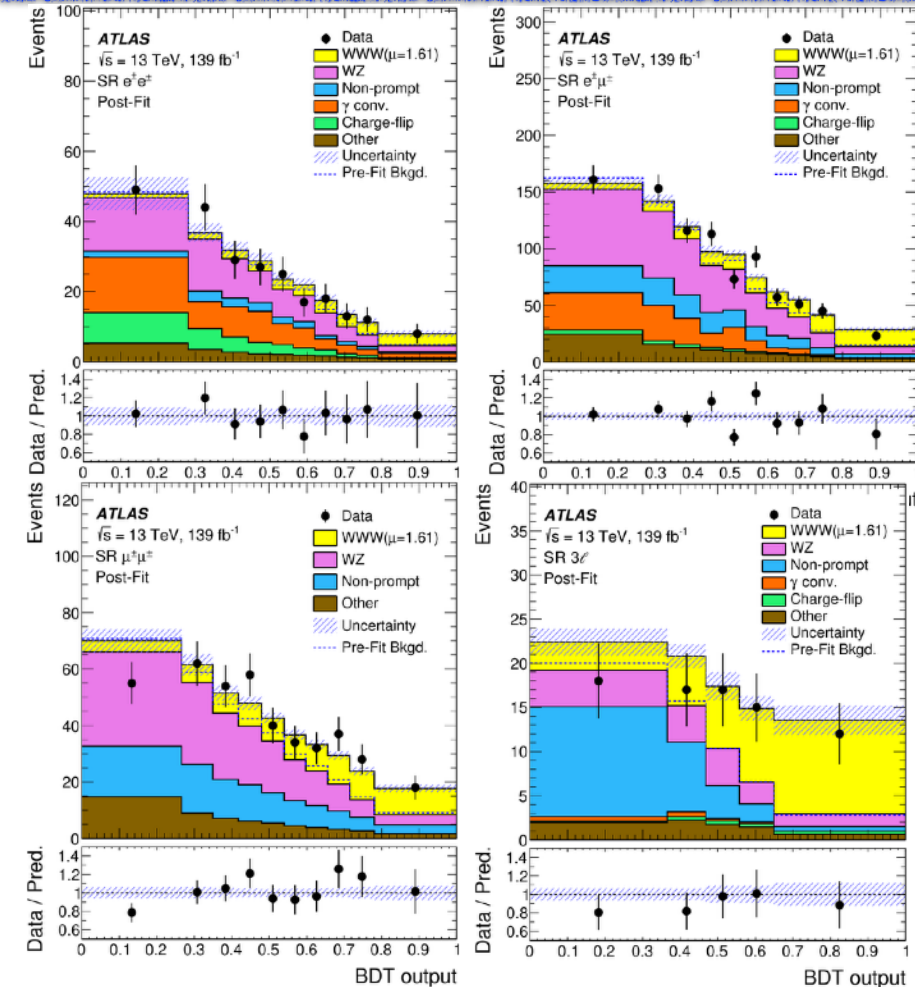
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- Principle: avoiding opposite sign, same flavor pairs of leptons (OSSF) and SM processes that produce oppositely charged leptons pairs



# WWW: Results

- Main background source is WZ: constrained using data from dedicated control regions (WZ+0,1,>1jets) to normalize the MC
- Data-driven methods to constrain:
  - Non-prompt leptons
  - $V\gamma$  events where the photon is misidentified as an electron
  - Prompt electron mis-identification (charge-flip)
- Fit strategy: simultaneous binned log-likelihood fit of BDT distributions in 21 and 31 signal regions



Observed cross-section with  $8.2\sigma$ :  $850 \pm 100$  (stat.)  $\pm 80$  (syst.) fb

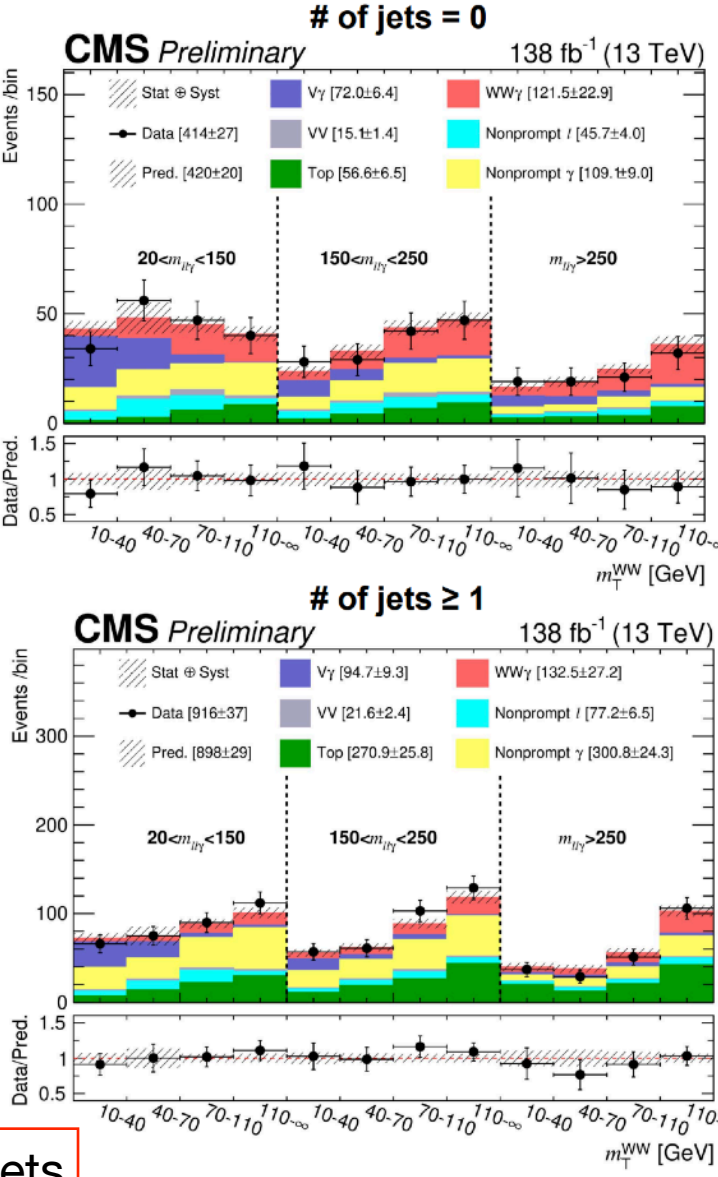
# CMS: WW $\gamma$

- Leptonic final state OFOS ( $W^+W^- \rightarrow e\nu\mu\nu$ )
- NLO QCD prediction
  - Non-prompt  $\gamma$ 
    - Data-driven fake rate estimate in W+jets CR by fitting the photon shower width to extract non-prompt component
  - Non-prompt leptons
    - Data driven fake rate estimate in dijet CR
- Top and SSWW CR :
  - $\geq 1$  b-jet used to constrain non-prompt lepton and non-prompt  $\gamma$  backgrounds in fit

Process	Signal region	SSWW $\gamma$ CR	Top $\gamma$ CR
WW $\gamma$	254.0 $\pm$ 47.3	1.2 $\pm$ 0.2	12.8 $\pm$ 2.7
QCD V $\gamma$	166.7 $\pm$ 13.8	12.2 $\pm$ 2.2	12.6 $\pm$ 1.2
VV	36.7 $\pm$ 3.5	24.9 $\pm$ 1.7	2.0 $\pm$ 0.3
Top	327.5 $\pm$ 32.2	2.4 $\pm$ 0.6	2433.5 $\pm$ 85.2
Nonprompt $\ell$	122.9 $\pm$ 9.7	196.6 $\pm$ 13.6	39.8 $\pm$ 10.7
Nonprompt $\gamma$	409.9 $\pm$ 31.7	19.9 $\pm$ 1.6	793.2 $\pm$ 62.1
Expected	1318 $\pm$ 43	257 $\pm$ 14	3294 $\pm$ 57
Observed	1330 $\pm$ 46	259 $\pm$ 20	3287 $\pm$ 59

Fit: 2D fit  $m_{TWW}$ - $m_{ll\gamma}$  used in the CRs and the 3 SR regions in  $m_{ll\gamma}$  for 0 and  $\geq 1$  jets

First observation with  $5.6\sigma$ :  $\sigma = 6.0 \pm 1.0$  (stat.)  $\pm 1.0$  (syst.)  $\pm 0.9$  (theo.) fb





# CMS: $WW\gamma$

- Search for  $H\gamma$  production with modified Higgs boson couplings to light quarks
- $H\gamma \rightarrow WW\gamma$ : similar selection with EW, adding
  - $\Delta\phi_{ll} < 2.5$
  - $\Delta R_{ll} < 2.3$
  - $\Delta R_{l\gamma} > 0.8$
- Yukawa couplings limits using  $\Delta R_{ll}$  and mTH distributions
- Expected and observed upper limits on the  $H\gamma$  cross sections at 95%

Limits set on Higgs Yukawa couplings to u, d, s, c quarks

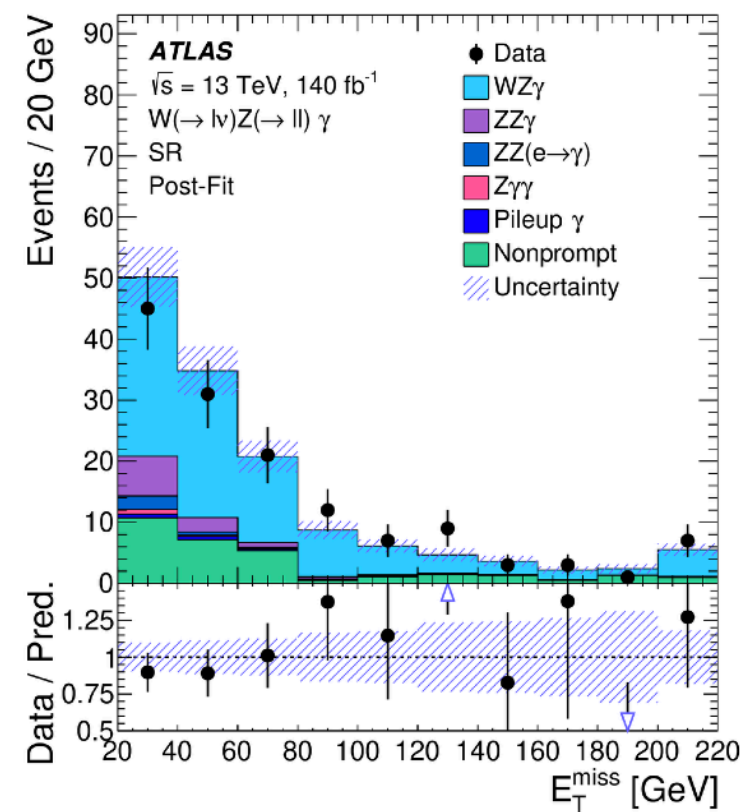
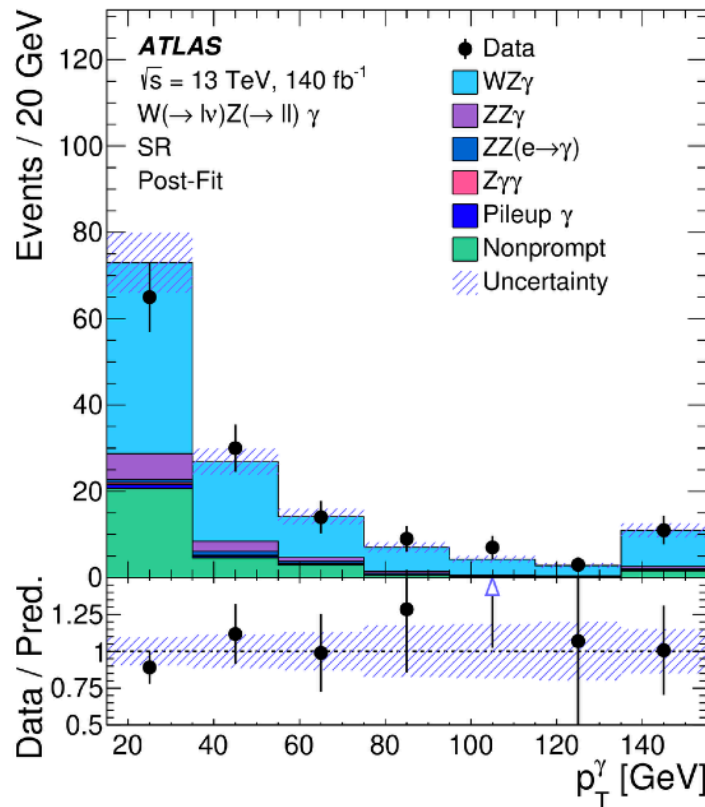
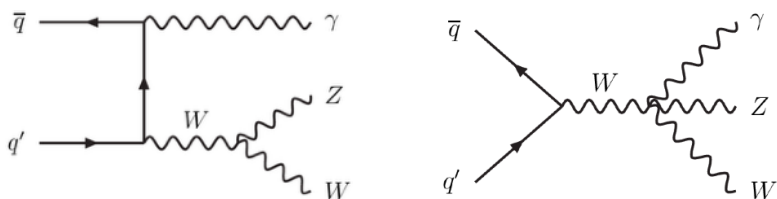
Process	$\sigma_{\text{up}}$ pb exp.(obs.)	Yukawa couplings limits exp.(obs.)
$u\bar{u} \rightarrow H + \gamma \rightarrow e\mu\gamma$	0.067 (0.085)	$ \kappa_u  \leq 13000$ (16000)
$d\bar{d} \rightarrow H + \gamma \rightarrow e\mu\gamma$	0.058 (0.072)	$ \kappa_d  \leq 14000$ (17000)
$s\bar{s} \rightarrow H + \gamma \rightarrow e\mu\gamma$	0.049 (0.068)	$ \kappa_s  \leq 1300$ (1700)
$c\bar{c} \rightarrow H + \gamma \rightarrow e\mu\gamma$	0.067 (0.087)	$ \kappa_c  \leq 110$ (200)

Under the assumption that that all other SM  $\kappa$  scale to give a signal strength of 1 for all other Higgs production decay processes

# ATLAS $WZ\gamma$

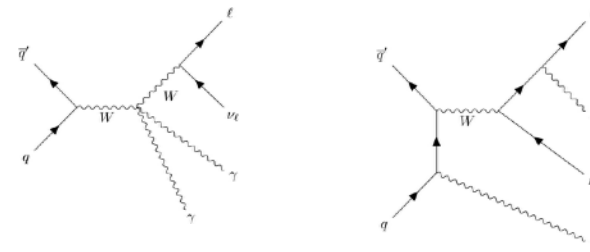
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- Final state: 3 charged leptons ( $e, \mu$ ) + MET + 1 isolated photon
- Dominant BG: non-prompt  $\gamma$  and leptons
  - Estimated using data-driven calculation
- $ZZ\gamma$  and  $ZZ(e \rightarrow \gamma)$  bkg normalization from simultaneous fit in CRs
- Fit in SR and the 2 CRs for all leptonic final states

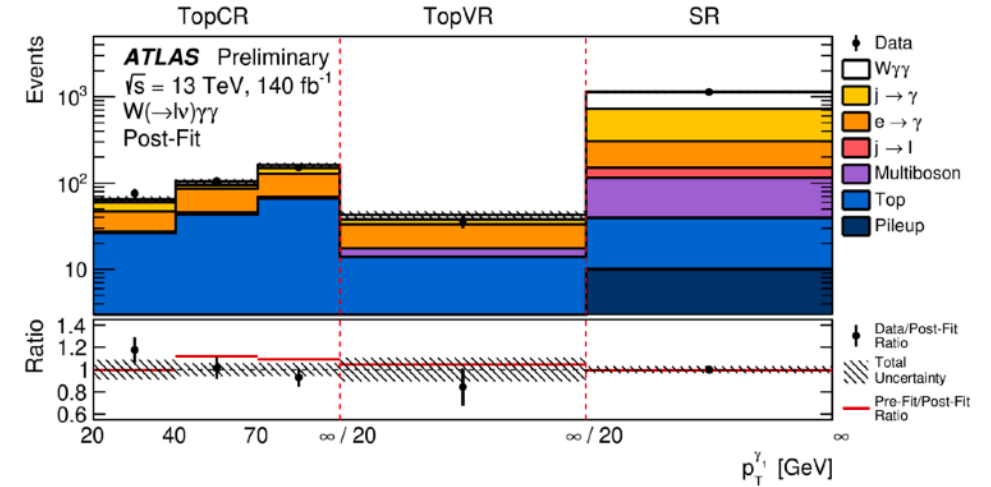


**First observation with significance:  $6.3\sigma$ !**  
**Observed cross section  $\sigma = 2.01 \pm 0.30$  (stat)  $\pm 0.16$  (syst) fb**

# ATLAS: $W\gamma\gamma$



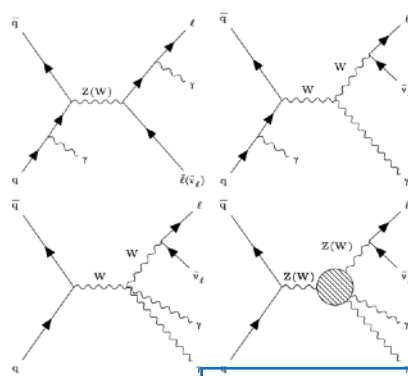
- Final state:  $lv\gamma\gamma$
- Dominant uncertainty: one or both signal photons originate from a misidentified jet or neutral hadron decay ( $j \rightarrow \gamma$ )
  - Data-driven two-dimensional template fit method
- $e \rightarrow \gamma$ , second largest background in e channel
  - Data-driven fake rate estimate  $Z \rightarrow ee/e\gamma$  CR
- Top background constrained in  $\geq 1$  b-jet CR simultaneously with SR
  - Validated in low ET miss region with  $\geq 1$  b-jet
- Dominant uncertainties : systematic on  $j \rightarrow \gamma$  followed by stat. uncertainty



Source	SR	TopCR
$W\gamma\gamma$	$410 \pm 60$	$28 \pm 5$
Non-prompt $j \rightarrow \gamma$	$420 \pm 50$	$42 \pm 20$
Misidentified $e \rightarrow \gamma$	$155 \pm 11$	$120 \pm 9$
Multiboson ( $WH(\gamma\gamma), WW\gamma, Z\gamma\gamma$ )	$76 \pm 13$	$5.2 \pm 1.7$
Non-prompt $j \rightarrow \ell$	$35 \pm 10$	–
Top ( $tt\gamma, tW\gamma, tq\gamma$ )	$30 \pm 7$	$136 \pm 32$
Pileup	$10 \pm 5$	–
Total	$1\ 136 \pm 34$	$332 \pm 18$
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**First observation with  $5.6\sigma$ : Observed cross-section:  $12.2 + 2.1 - 2.0\text{fb}$**

# CMS $V\gamma\gamma$



- Final states:  $ll\gamma\gamma$  and  $lv\gamma\gamma$
- if  $|m(e\gamma) - m(Z)|$  or  $|m(e\gamma\gamma) - m(Z)| < 5$  GeV  $\rightarrow$   $\gamma$  removed to reduce FSR
- Dominant background: misidentification of jets as photons  $\rightarrow$  Data-driven method
- Fit on distribution of diphoton  $p_T$  system for all final states

$Z\gamma\gamma$  :  $4.8\sigma$  obs  
 $W\gamma\gamma$  :  $3.1\sigma$  obs

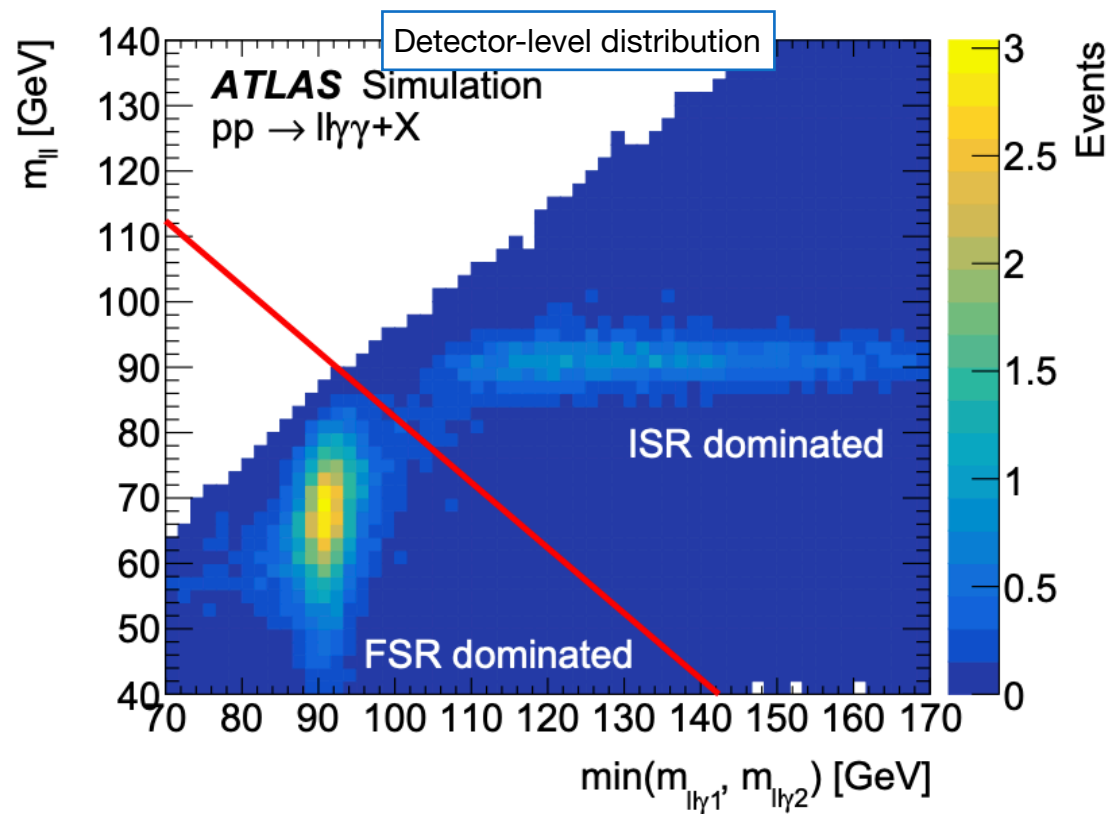
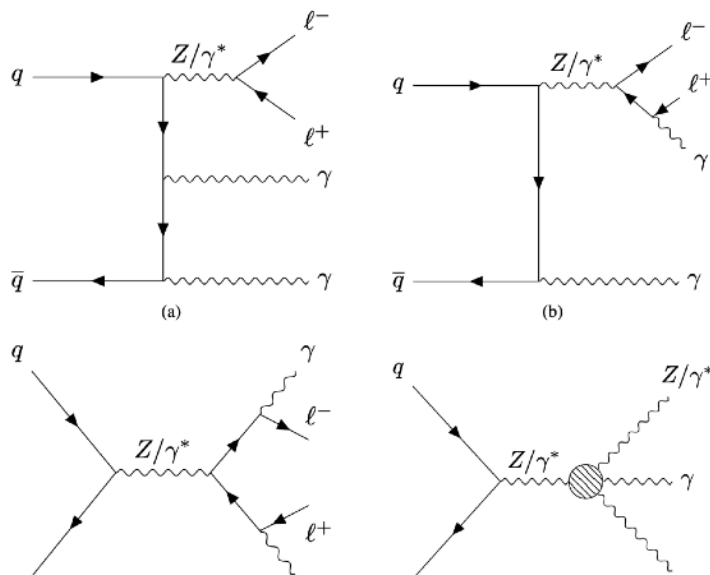
$\sigma(W\gamma\gamma)^{\text{meas}} = 13.6_{-1.9}^{+1.9} (\text{stat})_{-4.0}^{+4.0} (\text{syst}) \pm 0.08 (\text{PDF} + \text{scale}) \text{ fb},$   
 $\sigma(Z\gamma\gamma)^{\text{meas}} = 5.41_{-0.55}^{+0.58} (\text{stat})_{-0.70}^{+0.64} (\text{syst}) \pm 0.06 (\text{PDF} + \text{scale}) \text{ fb}.$

- Limits on Dim-8 EFT parameters
- $p_T$  of the diphoton system used as discriminating variable for the aQGCs
- Expected and observed constraints on the Dim-8 EFT parameters for both final states

Parameter	$W\gamma\gamma$ ( $\text{TeV}^{-4}$ )		$Z\gamma\gamma$ ( $\text{TeV}^{-4}$ )	
	Expected	Observed	Expected	Observed
$f_{M,2}/\Lambda^4$	[-57.3, 57.1]	[-39.9, 39.5]	-	-
$f_{M,3}/\Lambda^4$	[-91.8, 92.6]	[-63.8, 65.0]	-	-
$f_{T,0}/\Lambda^4$	[-1.86, 1.86]	[-1.30, 1.30]	[-4.86, 4.66]	[-5.70, 5.46]
$f_{T,1}/\Lambda^4$	[-2.38, 2.38]	[-1.70, 1.66]	[-4.86, 4.66]	[-5.70, 5.46]
$f_{T,2}/\Lambda^4$	[-5.16, 5.16]	[-3.64, 3.64]	[-9.72, 9.32]	[-11.4, 10.9]
$f_{T,5}/\Lambda^4$	[-0.76, 0.84]	[-0.52, 0.60]	[-2.44, 2.52]	[-2.92, 2.92]
$f_{T,6}/\Lambda^4$	[-0.92, 1.00]	[-0.60, 0.68]	[-3.24, 3.24]	[-3.80, 3.88]
$f_{T,7}/\Lambda^4$	[-1.64, 1.72]	[-1.16, 1.16]	[-6.68, 6.60]	[-7.88, 7.72]
$f_{T,8}/\Lambda^4$	-	-	[-0.90, 0.94]	[-1.06, 1.10]
$f_{T,9}/\Lambda^4$	-	-	[-1.54, 1.54]	[-1.82, 1.82]

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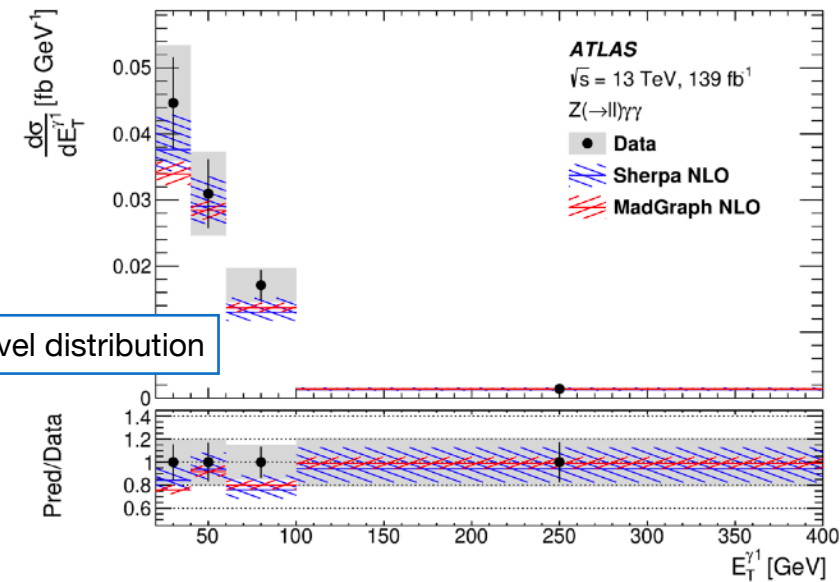
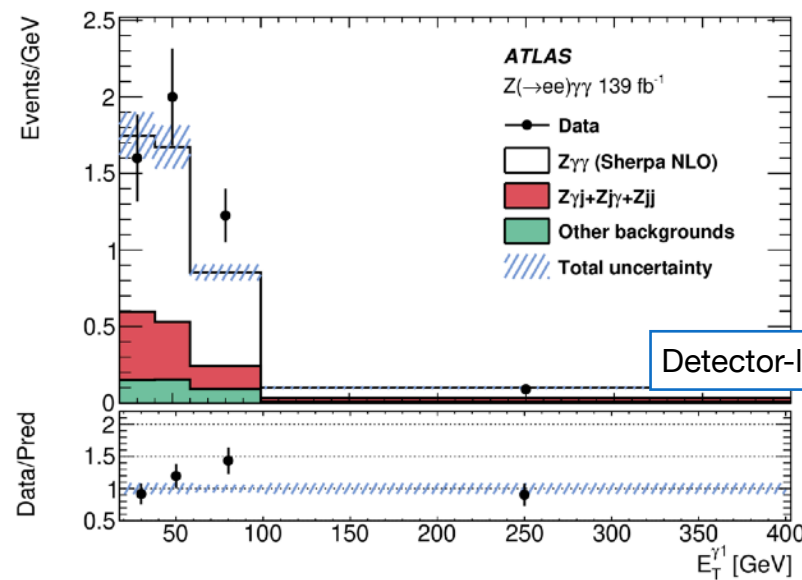
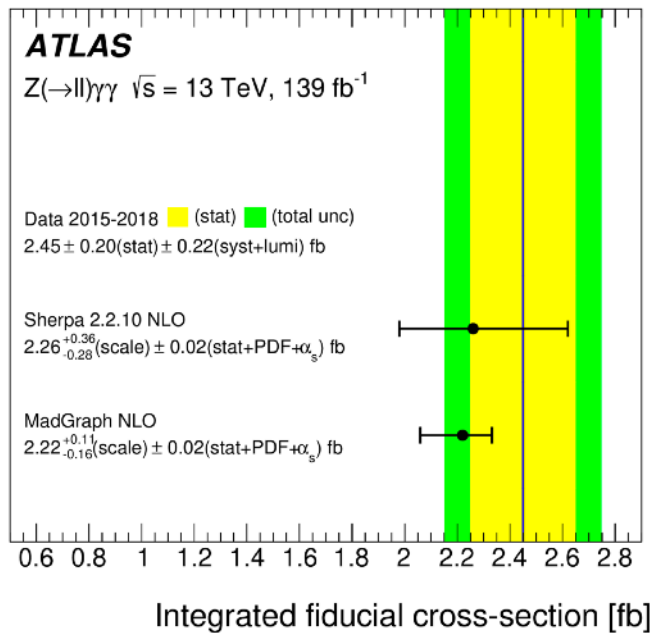
- $e/\mu$  channels, 13 TeV, 139 fb<sup>-1</sup>
  - Cut on  $m(\ell\ell)$  and  $\min(m(\ell\ell\gamma_1), m(\ell\ell\gamma_2))$  to minimize FSR
    - Enhance signal region (ISR):  $m_{\ell\ell} + \min(m_{\ell\ell\gamma_1}, m_{\ell\ell\gamma_2}) > 2m_Z$
- Dominant BG:  $jj \rightarrow \gamma$  mis-ID
  - Estimated using data-driven method
- Differential cross section along 6 kinematic variables



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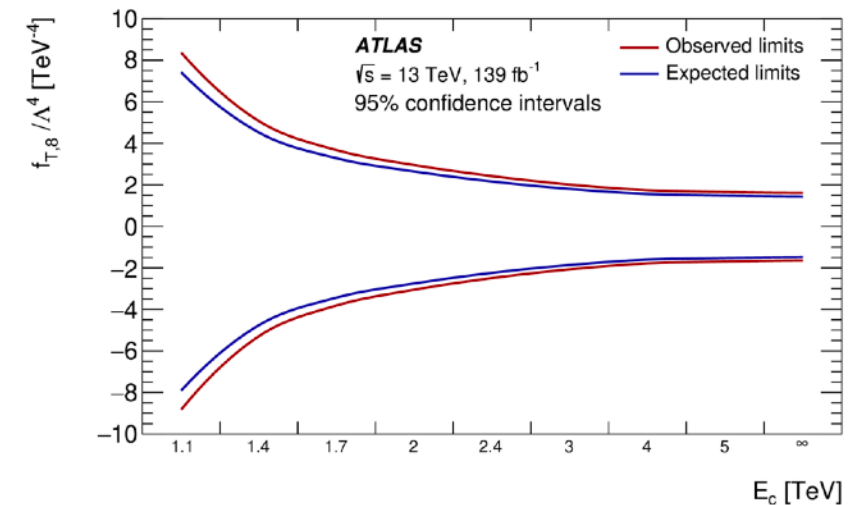
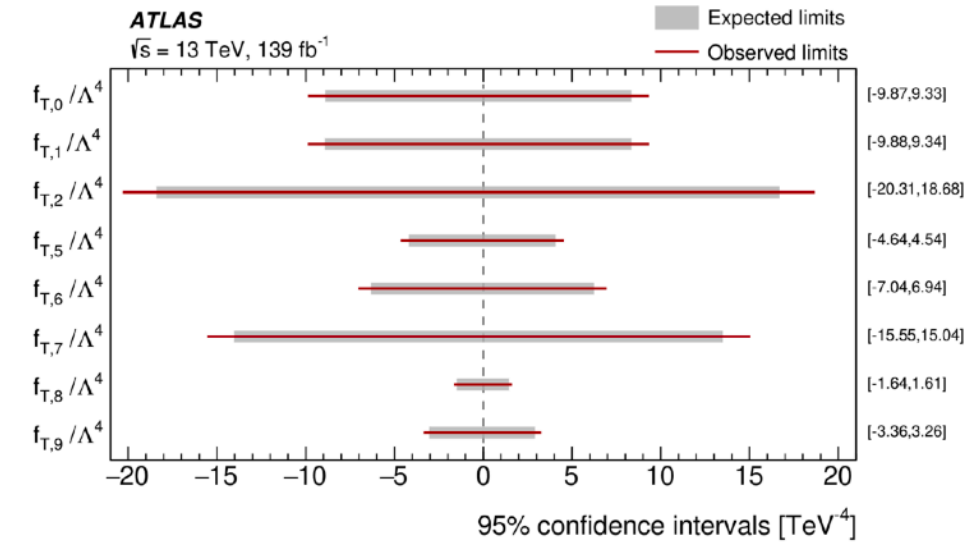
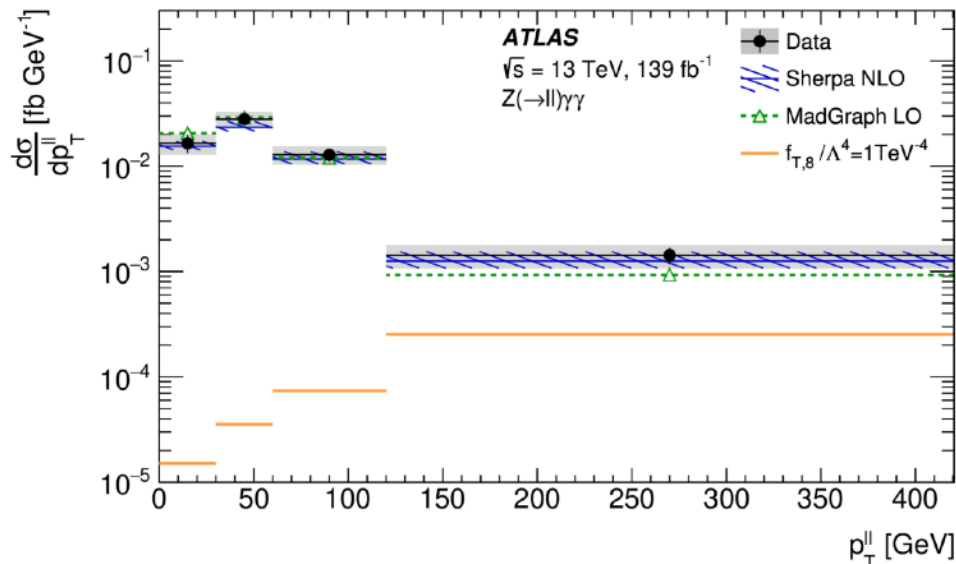
Measured cross section =  $2.45 \pm 0.20$  (stat.)  $\pm 0.22$  (syst.)  $\pm 0.04$  (lumi) fb

- Integrated cross-section measurement precision: 12%
- Test SM predictions at up to NLO accuracy with Sherpa & MG5
- Differential distributions for the first time



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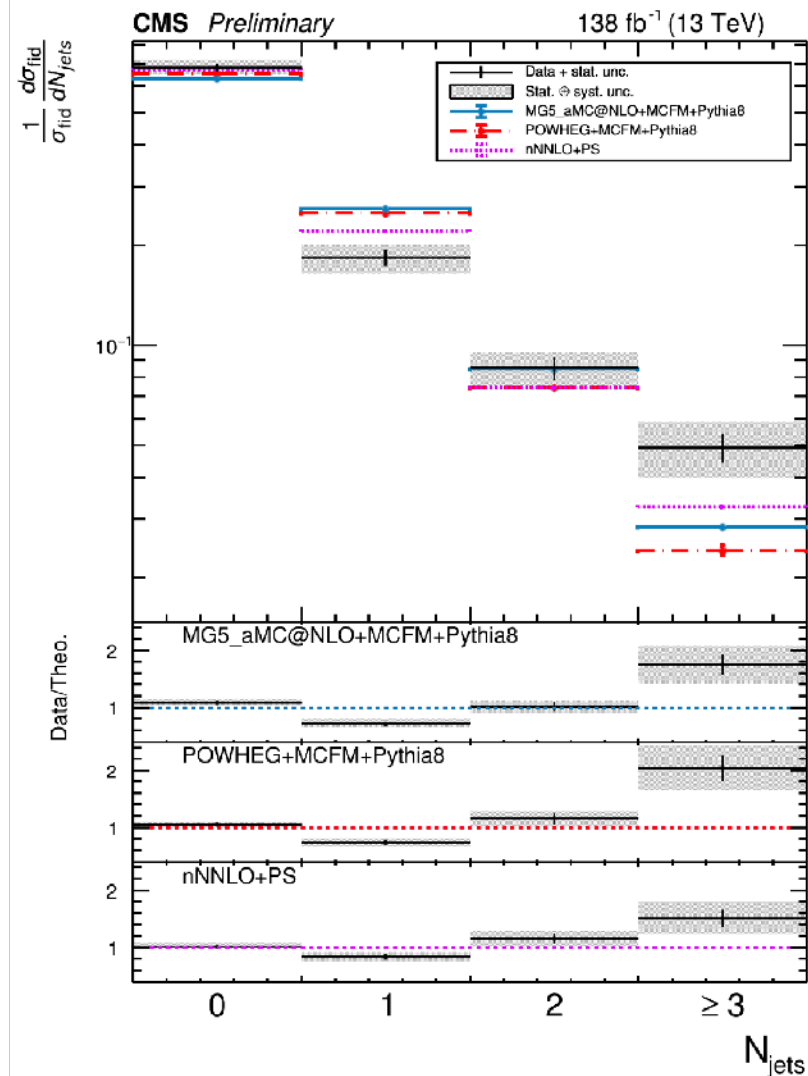
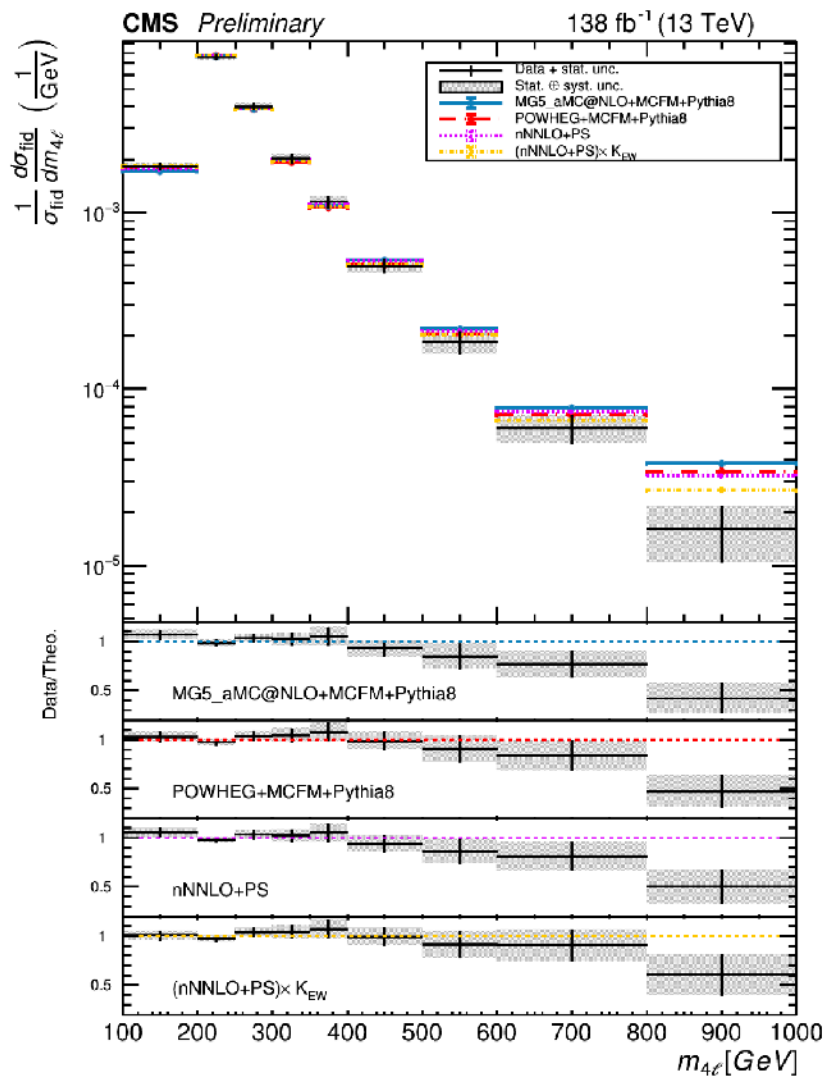
- Dim-8 EFT limits on  $f_T$  coefficients
- $p_T(\ell\ell)$  distribution used as discriminating variable
- Unitarized limits obtained
- Unitarization: Clipping method used
  - Limits as a function of  $E_c \rightarrow$  invariant mass of  $\ell\ell\gamma\gamma$  system
  - BSM events with  $E > E_c$  are removed from the signal MC



# CMS ZZ+jets

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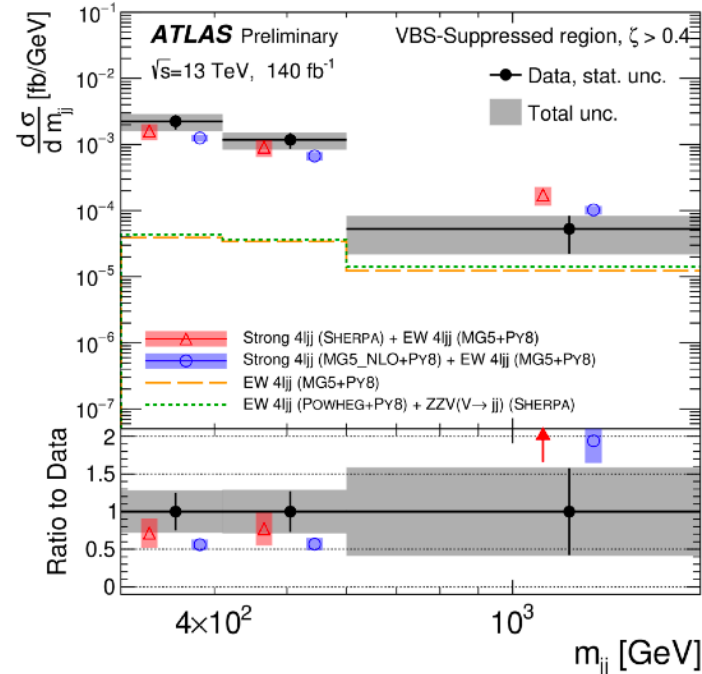
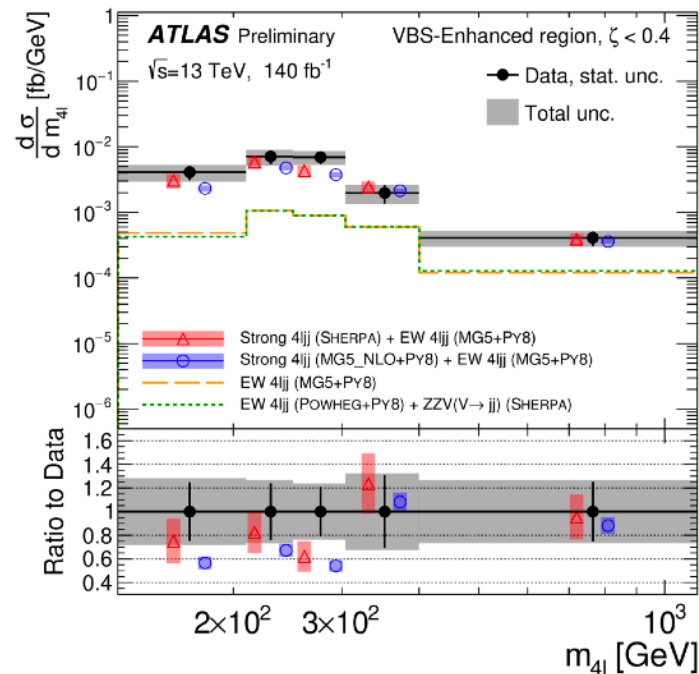
- 139 fb<sup>-1</sup>, fully leptonic final state
- Diboson production in association with jets
- Differential distributions
- General agreement between theoretical predictions and data
- In some regions discrepancies between predicted and measured values
- nNNLO+PS prediction describes the distribution of jet multiplicities better than MadGraph5 aMC@NLO and POWHEG
- Inclusion of EW corrections improves the description of the m<sub>4ℓ</sub> distribution.



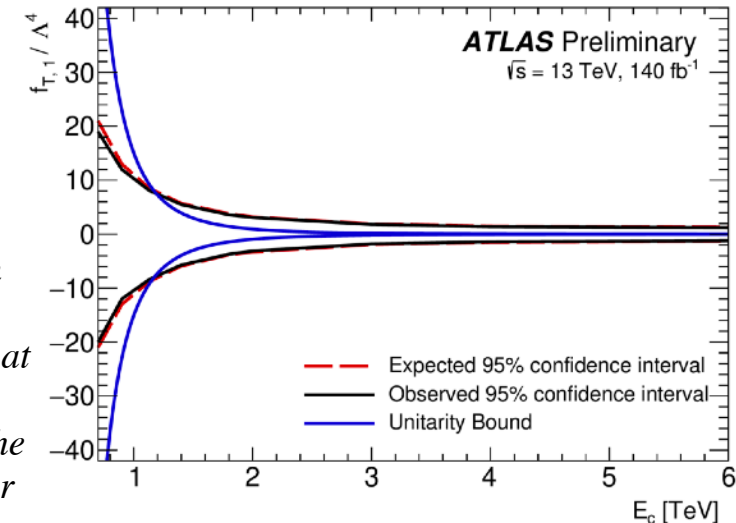
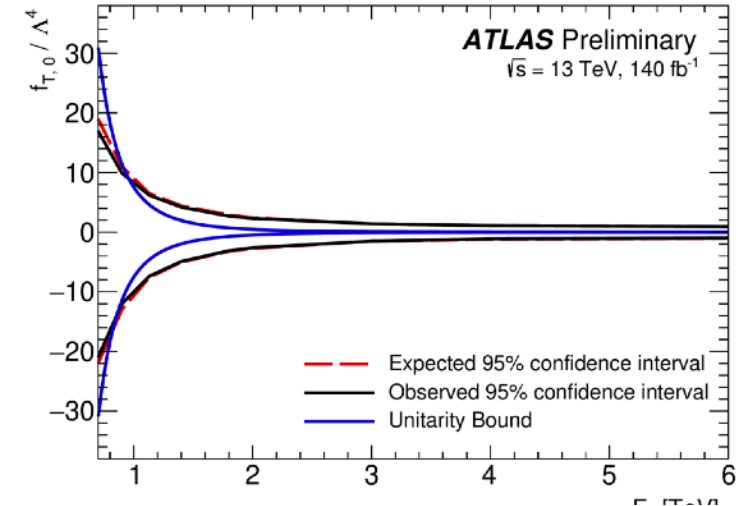


# ATLAS ZZjj

- EWK production of 4 leptons in association with two jets
- VBS enhanced and suppressed regions based on 4l system centrality
- Differential measurement of ZZjj with Full Run 2 dataset
- aQGC expected and observed limits as a function of energy cut-off

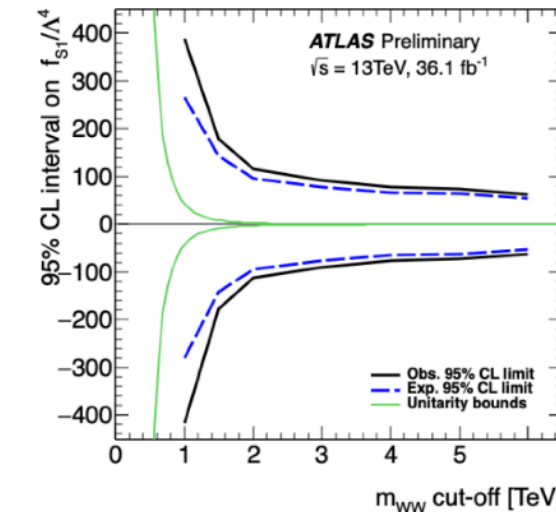
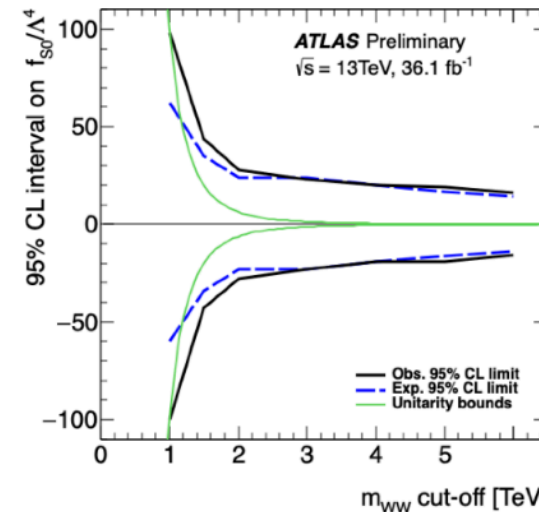
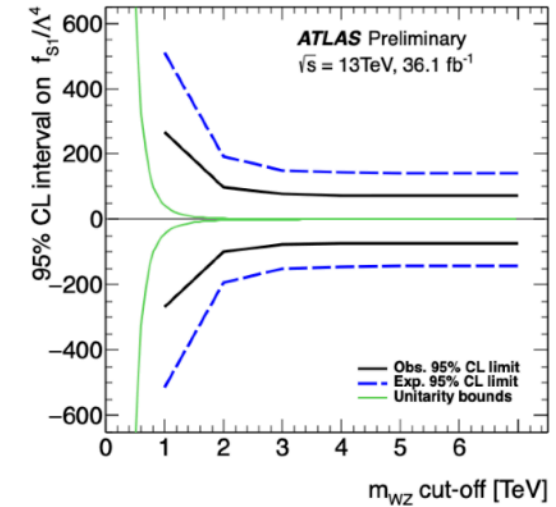
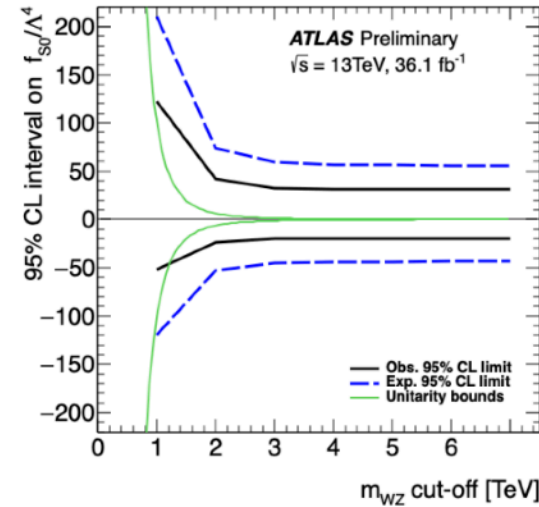


*In full agreement with Sherpa, simulation of additional jet activity at LO in QCD whereas MG5+Py8 relies on the Pythia8 parton shower*



# ATLAS $ssWW+WZ$

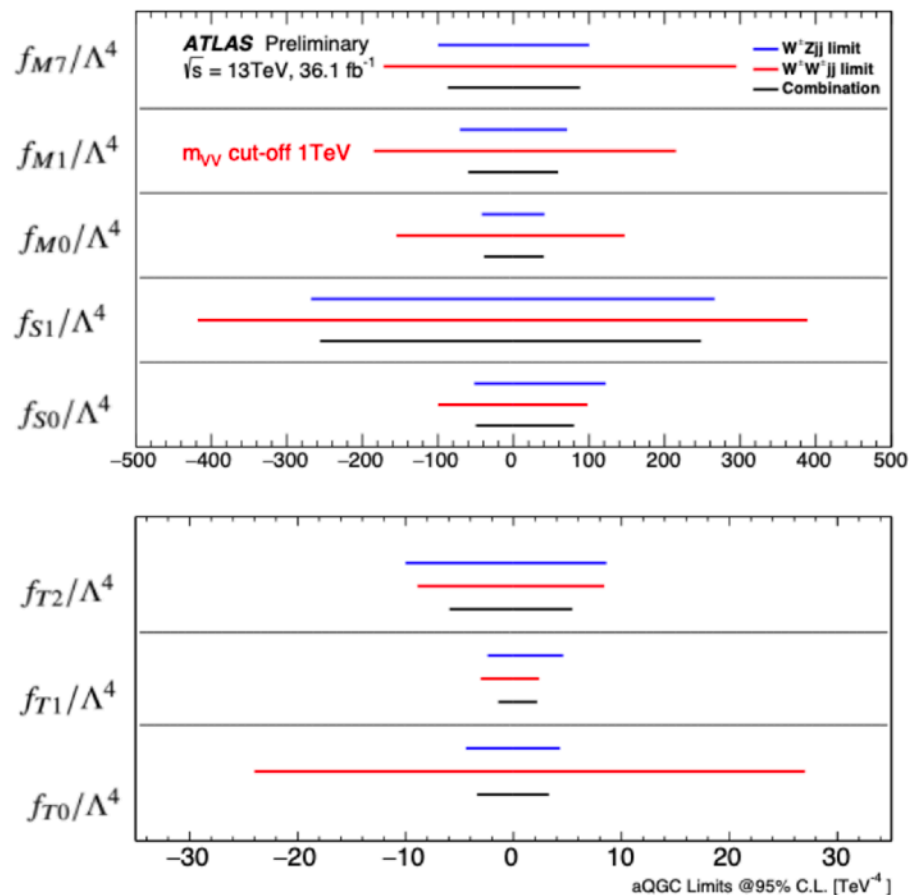
- Combined interpretation of  $ssWW$  and  $WZjj$  with Partial Run2 dataset
- Discriminating distributions:
  - $ssWW$ : Reco-level  $m_{ll}$
  - $WZjj$ : Differential distribution of  $m_{TWZ}$
- Experimental systematic uncertainties treated correlated between the two measurements
- Unitarization: clipping method used, limits as a function of  $E_c$ 
  - $WZjj$ :  $E_c \rightarrow m_{WZ}$  at generator level
  - $ssWW$ :  $E_c \rightarrow m_{WW}$  at generator level
- 1D and 2D limits



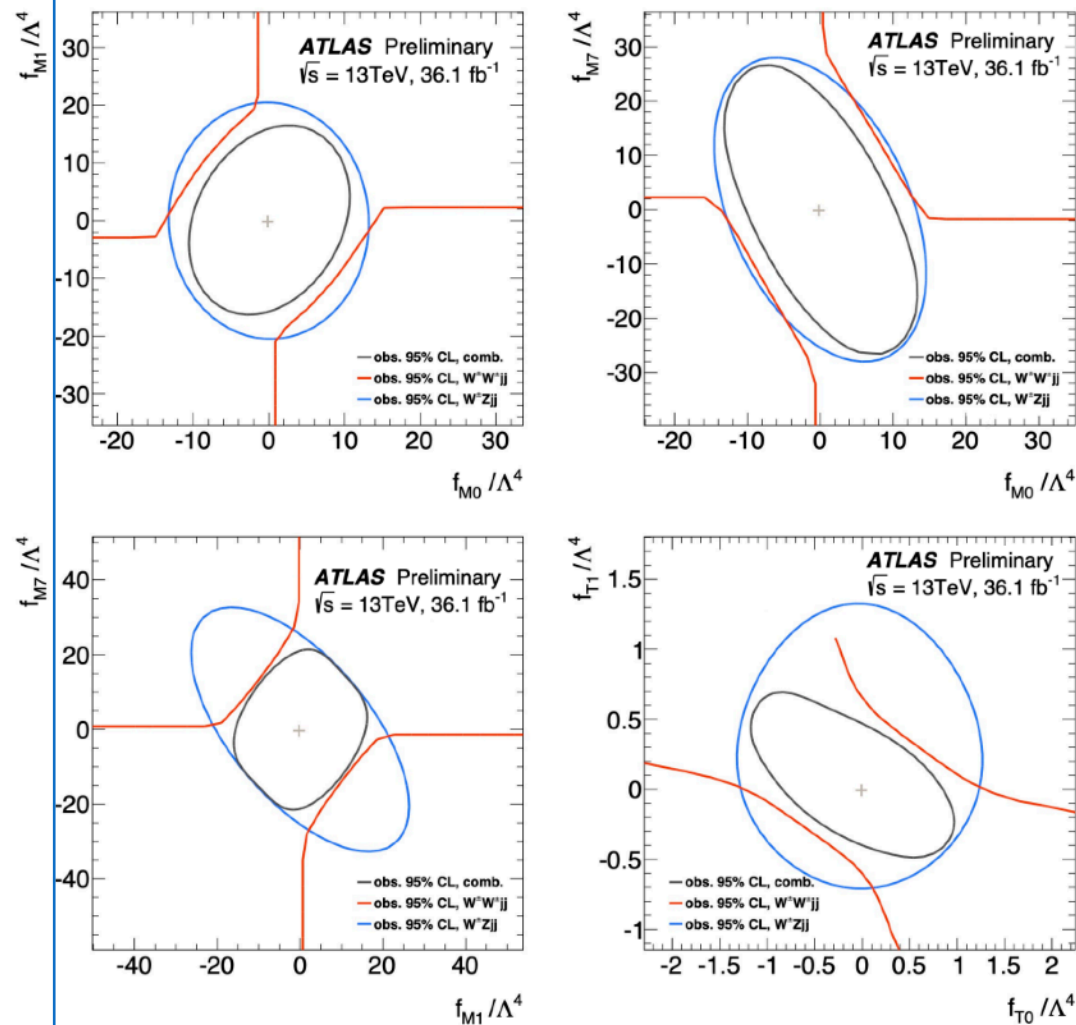
# ATLAS $ssWW$ and $WZjj$

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### Individual limits and combination



### 2D limits



# Conclusion

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- Precision measurements of triboson and diboson processes presented
- Exciting new first observations of triboson channels by ATLAS and CMS
- Improved limits set on aQGC operators with triboson and VBS analyses
- New limits on Higgs coupling to light quarks with  $WW\gamma$  analysis by CMS
- Differential cross sections on diboson  $ZZ$  in association with jets from CMS discussed
- Run3 ongoing: increased statistics are promising for new measurements and BSM interpretations!

# Thank you!

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# Backup-WWW

<b><math>\ell^\pm \nu \ell^\pm \nu jj</math> Signal Region</b>		
$e^\pm e^\pm$	$e^\pm \mu^\pm$	$\mu^\pm \mu^\pm$
2 SS leptons with leading lepton- $p_T > 27\text{GeV}$		
veto 3 <sup>rd</sup> lepton		
$40 < m_{\ell\ell} < 80 \text{ GeV}$	$40 < m_{\ell\ell} < 400 \text{ GeV}$	
$100 < m_{\ell\ell} < 400 \text{ GeV}$		
$\geq 2$ jets		
$b$ -jet veto @ 85% DL1r		
$ \Delta\eta_{jj}  < 1.5$		
$m_{jj} < 160 \text{ GeV}$		
$E_T^{miss}$ -significance $> 3$	None	

Table 14: Selection criteria for the  $\ell^\pm \nu \ell^\pm \nu jj$  SRs.

<b><math>\ell^\pm \nu \ell^\mp \nu \ell^\mp \nu</math> Signal Region</b>	
$e^\pm \mu^\mp \mu^\mp$	$\mu^\pm e^\mp e^\mp$
3 leptons with leading lepton- $p_T > 27\text{GeV}$	
$\Sigma q_\ell = \pm 1$	
veto 4 <sup>th</sup> lepton	
no SFOS lepton pairs	
$b$ -jet veto @ 85% DL1r	

Table 15: Selection criteria for the  $3\ell$  SR.