

Highlights and prospects on electroweak and top physics at the (HL)-LHC

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Physics performance at the LHC

pp collision data collected by each of the ATLAS and CMS experiments:

- Run-1 at $\sqrt{s} = 7, 8$ TeV (2010 - 2012): $\mathcal{L} \sim 20 \text{ fb}^{-1}$
- Run-2 at $\sqrt{s} = 13$ TeV (2015 - 2018): $\mathcal{L} \sim 140 \text{ fb}^{-1}$
- Run-3 at $\sqrt{s} = 13.6$ TeV (2022+2023): $\mathcal{L} \sim 70 \text{ fb}^{-1}$

Run-3 continues till 2025, expect at 13.6 TeV total $\mathcal{L} \sim 250 \text{ fb}^{-1}$

- No direct evidence for physics beyond standard model (SM)
→ can access higher mass scale physics in terms of virtual contribution.
- Compare measurements of the observables with precise SM predictions and look for deviations.
- New physics at high scale \Rightarrow **effectively modify couplings** in various processes observed.
- Study the impact of higher dimension operators as a function of energy.
- **Effective Field Theory (EFT)** describes possible pattern of deviations introduced by new physics

Low lumi datasets in 2017

$$\mathcal{L} = 298 \text{ pb}^{-1} @ \sqrt{s} = 5.02 \text{ TeV}$$

$$\mathcal{L} = 201 \text{ pb}^{-1} @ \sqrt{s} = 13 \text{ TeV}$$

+ Heavy ion runs

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{EFF}} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{SM}} + \frac{1}{\Lambda} \mathcal{L}_5 + \frac{1}{\Lambda^2} \mathcal{L}_6 + \frac{1}{\Lambda^3} \mathcal{L}_7 + \frac{1}{\Lambda^4} \mathcal{L}_8 + \dots, \quad \mathcal{L}_d = \sum_i c_i^{(d)} \mathcal{O}_i^{(d)}$$

EFT formalism does not assume the SM structure of the couplings, but respects the gauge symmetries of the SM.

Prospects at the HL-LHC

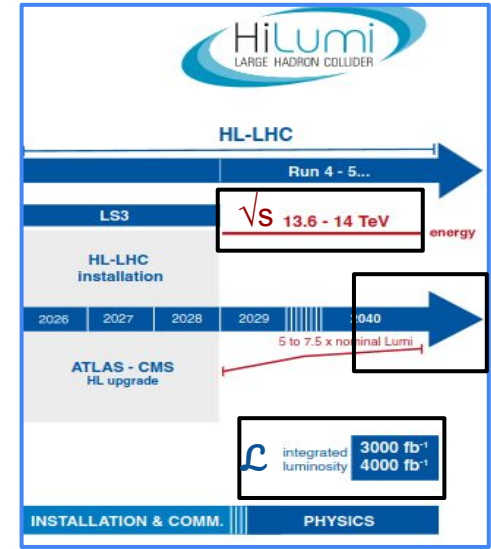
Start of the HL-LHC is ~ 5 years away, will continue till mid-2040s at least \Rightarrow **20 times more data** compared to current volume in about **20 years time** to be collected with **new avatars of the ATLAS and CMS detectors**.

With more data :

- Rare processes
- (Multi-) differential measurements
- Explore corners of phase space

With more time:

- More powerful analysis techniques
- More accurate theoretical tools
- Other “technological” breakthroughs (computing, AI, ...)
- New ideas!



Results from studies for Snowmass Workshop, 2021-22 and [CERN Yellow Report](#)
Assuming ultimate performance of experiments comparable to that achieved during the LHC Run 2.

Uncertainties considered in the projections studies:

- 1% in luminosity.
- Experimental uncertainties: scaled down with $\sqrt{\mathcal{L}}$.
- Theoretical uncertainties: halved with respect to current value.

This presentation is NOT an exhaustive discussion of the full electroweak and top physics projections at the HL-LHC.

More details in “Future physics with CMS detector at HL-LHC “ by Jyothisna Rani Komaragiri

Electroweak physics

Milestones by 2023:

- Neutral currents: 50 yrs
- QCD: 50 yrs
- W, Z turns 40
- Top: 28
- Higgs: 11

SM input parameters for predictions

- W Mass
- Top Mass
- Higgs Mass
- ...

⇒ Precision measurements at the LHC crucial

W,Z measurements are the experimental candles always.

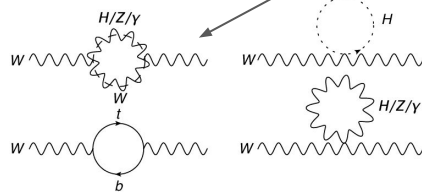
LHC unraveling in productions of

- Multiple bosons
- Multiple top quarks

LHC achieving much more than anticipated → able to mention only few.

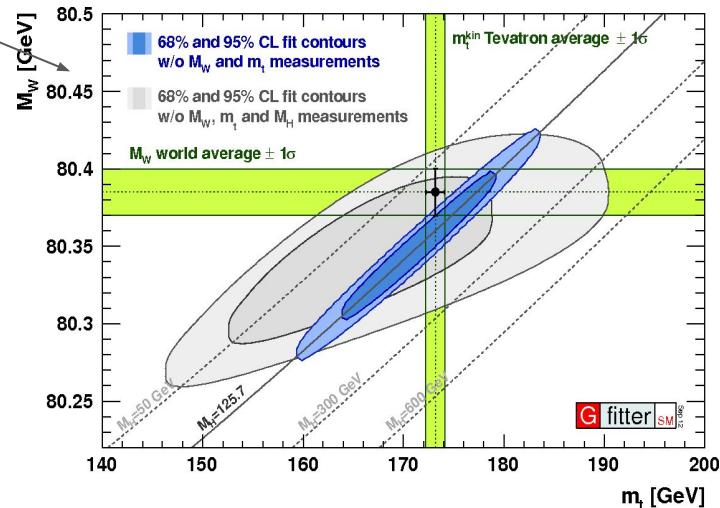
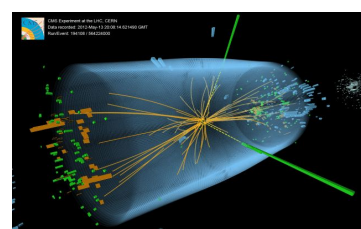
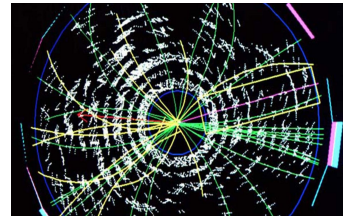
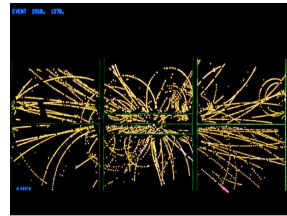
More in the talk by Mario Pelliccioni: Physics of the Electroweak sector in CMS

$$M_W^2 \left(1 - \frac{M_W^2}{M_Z^2}\right) = \frac{\pi \alpha_{EM}(M_Z)}{\sqrt{2} G_F (1 - \Delta r)}$$



Eg. theoretical uncertainty of
 $\Delta M_{top} = 2.1 \text{ GeV} \Rightarrow$
 $\Delta M_W = 1.9 \text{ GeV}$

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Measurement of W mass

Precise M_W value provides sensitive test for the consistency of the model.

- W/Z production described by differential xsec + angular coefficients (say, A_i 's) driven by polarization.
- Unpolarized cross-section & A_i 's can be determined in pQCD calculations
 - depends on parton density function (PDF)
 - Known at NNLO QCD + NLO EWK,
Resummation-improved calculations available at N3LL+NNLO. [arXiv:2207.07056](https://arxiv.org/abs/2207.07056)
- M_W extracted from fit of data to MC-based templates. *Current uncertainty of m_H ($\sim 0.1\%$) $\rightarrow \Delta M_W \sim 8$ MeV*
- Measurements limited by model-uncertainties: PDFs, p_T^ℓ and A_i

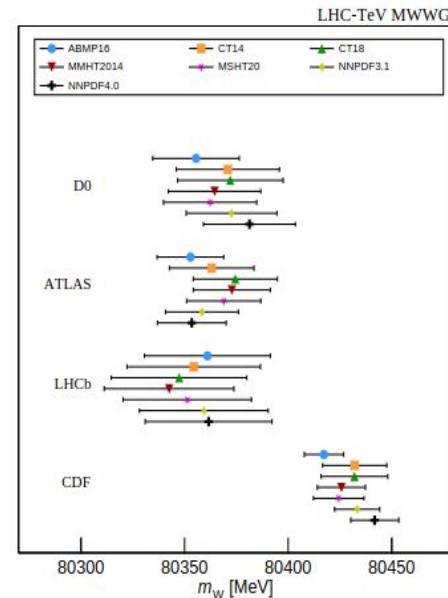
CDF-II : 80.4335 ± 0.0094 GeV [Science 376 \(2022\)](https://arxiv.org/abs/2207.07056)

ATLAS : 80.3665 ± 0.0159 GeV [9.8 (stat.) \pm 12.5 (syst.) MeV] [arXiv:2403.15085](https://arxiv.org/abs/2403.15085)

LHC EW WG: 80.377 ± 0.012 GeV [arXiv:2308.09417](https://arxiv.org/abs/2308.09417)

- LHC EW WG average and the **published CDF result** , when considered on equal footing but **statistically incompatible** (difference ~ 3.6 s.d.).
- Latest reanalysis of 7 TeV ATLAS data
 $\Gamma_W = 2202 \pm 32$ (stat.) ± 34 (syst.) MeV = **2.202 ± 0.047 GeV.**

New, independent measurements required.



Note: CDF and LHC experiments performed at different times, with different baseline PDFs and QCD tools, different experimental conditions,...

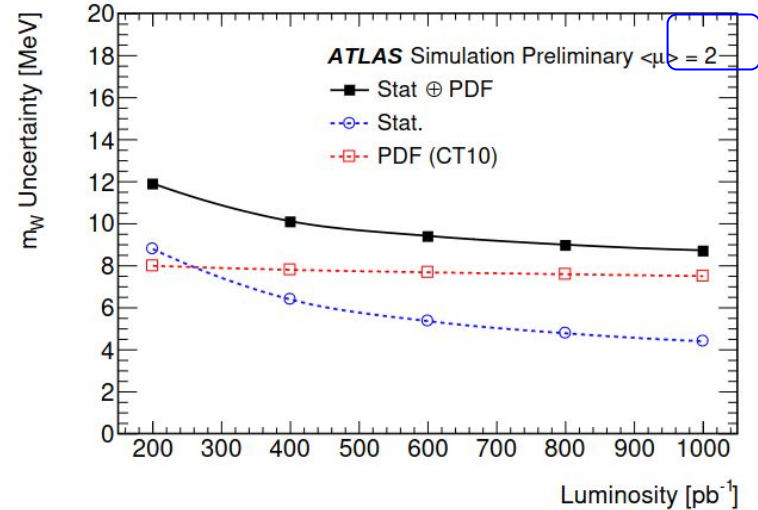
W mass measurement at the HL-LHC

[ATL-PHYS-PUB-2018-026](#)

Requirements for future improvements:

- May be a low instantaneous luminosity ? Likely to enable reconstruction of the missing transverse momentum with sufficient precision.
- Enhanced detector coverage in higher rapidity regions → forward lepton reconstruction.
- Since M_W determined from template fit ⇒ huge amount of simulation $\sim \mathcal{O}(10^{10})$ W events.

[arXiv:2308.09417](#)



**Expected ΔM_W (stat.): 10 MeV with 200 pb^{-1}
3 MeV with 1 fb^{-1} .**

LHCb data at the HL-LHC potentially would provide comprehensive information to reduce the PDF uncertainty for the LHC-wide combination of W mass and weak mixing angle.

Measurement of effective weak mixing angle $\sin^2\theta_{\text{eff}}^\ell$

Leptonic effective mixing angle: key SM parameter

$$\sin^2\theta_{\text{eff}}^\ell = (1 - m_W^2/m_Z^2)\kappa \quad (\kappa \sim 1.037)$$

[CMS-PAS -SMP-22-010](#)

Two most precise measurements of $\sin^2\theta_{\text{eff}}^\ell$, from LEP & SLC, differ by $\sim 3\sigma$. CDF II estimation of m_W prefers lower value.

LHC: use $pp \rightarrow Z/\gamma + X \rightarrow \ell + \bar{\ell} + X$: angular distribution of leptons in Collin-Soper frame

$$\cos\theta_{\text{CS}} = \frac{2(P_1^+P_2^- - P_1^-P_2^+)}{\sqrt{m_{\ell\bar{\ell}}^2(m_{\ell\bar{\ell}}^2 + p_{T,\ell\bar{\ell}}^2)}} \frac{y_{\ell\bar{\ell}}}{|y_{\ell\bar{\ell}}|}$$

$$\frac{16\pi}{3\sigma} \frac{d\sigma}{d\cos\theta d\phi} = 1 + \cos^2\theta + \sum_{i=0}^7 A_i f_i(\theta, \phi)$$

2 methods for measurements using large # of bins and 7 PDF sets

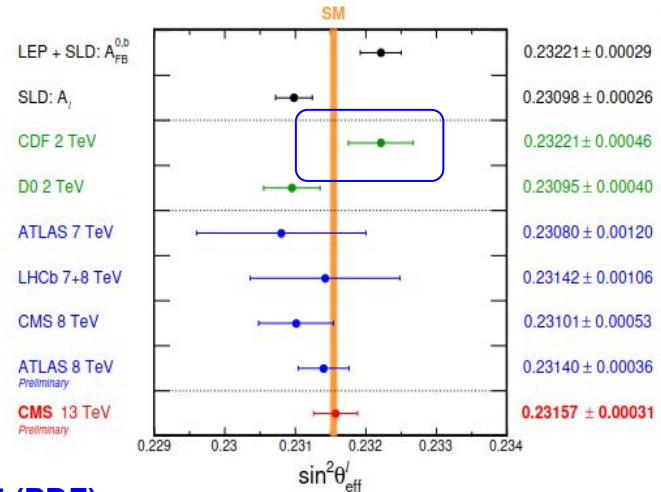
i) $A_{\text{FB}} = (\sigma_F - \sigma_B) / (\sigma_F + \sigma_B)$ where $\sigma_{F,B}$: $\cos\theta_{\text{CS}} > 0$, < 0

→ detector effects cancel out

ii) $A_{\text{FB}} = \frac{3}{8} A_4(y, m)$ before final state radiation

→ fit A_4 coeff. using measured differential distributions after unfolding

→ small theory and PDF uncertainties



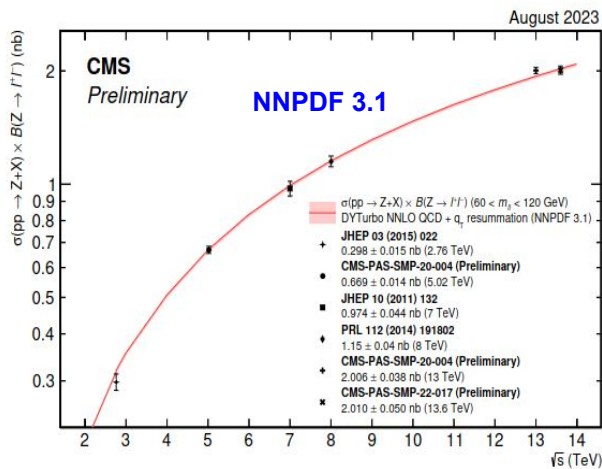
$$\sin^2\theta_{\text{eff}}^\ell = 0.23157 \pm 0.00010 \text{ (stat)} \pm 0.00015 \text{ (syst)} \pm 0.00009 \text{ (theo)} \pm 0.00027 \text{ (PDF)}$$

$$= 0.23157 \pm 0.00031 \text{ using } A_{\text{FB}} \text{ method}$$

$$= 0.23155 \pm 0.00032 \text{ using } A_4 \text{ method}$$

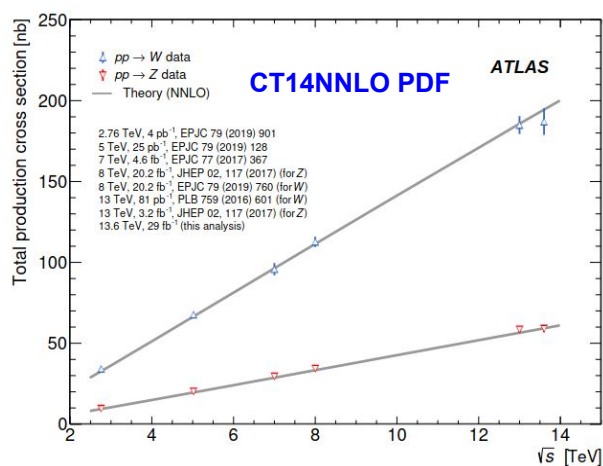
for CTZ18 PDF set

W/Z productions Run3 data, $\sqrt{s} = 13.6$ TeV

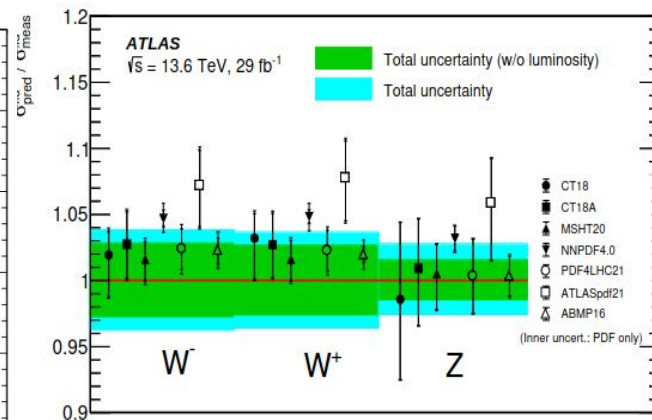


[CMS-PAS-SMP-22-017](#)

Evolution with energy matches well with prediction.



[arXiv:2403.12902](#)



Ratio of fiducial cross sections:

$$R_{W^+/W^-} = 1.286 \pm 0.022$$

$$R_{W^\pm/Z} = 10.17 \pm 0.25$$

$$R_{t\bar{t}/W^\pm} = 0.112 \pm 0.003$$

[arXiv:2403.12902](#)

Fiducial cross sections

$$\text{ATLAS: } \sigma(pp \rightarrow W^+ + X) \mathcal{B}(W^+ \rightarrow \ell^+ \nu) = 4250 \pm 150 \text{ pb} \quad \& \quad \sigma(pp \rightarrow W^- + X) \mathcal{B}(W^- \rightarrow \ell^- \nu) = 3310 \pm 120 \text{ pb}$$

$$\sigma(pp \rightarrow Z + X) \mathcal{B}(Z \rightarrow \ell^+ \ell^-) = 744 \pm 20 \text{ pb}, \quad m_{\ell\ell}: [66, 116] \text{ GeV}$$

$$\text{CMS: } \sigma(pp \rightarrow Z + X) \mathcal{B}(Z \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-) = 763.5 \pm 4(\text{stat}) \pm 6.9(\text{syst}) \pm 17.6(\text{lumi}) \text{ pb} \quad m_{\mu\mu}: [60, 120] \text{ GeV}$$

$$\sigma \mathcal{B}(\text{pred.})_{\mu\mu} = 766.6 \pm 6.5 \text{ (PDF)}^{+2.1}_{-4.5}(\text{scale}) \text{ pb} \quad \text{@N2LO of QCD + NLO of EW}$$

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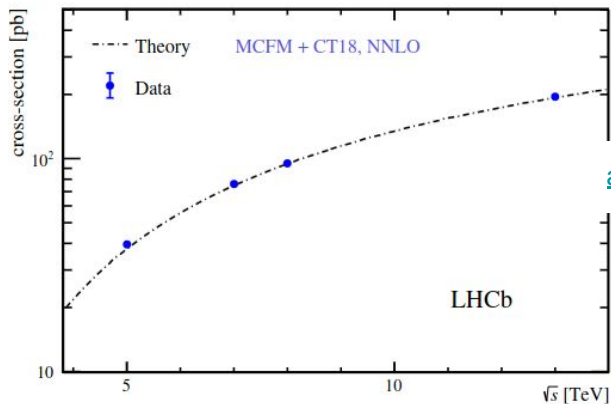
Z production at $\sqrt{s} = 5.02$ TeV

LHCb measurement, complementary phase space to ATLAS and CMS

$$\sigma(pp \rightarrow Z+X) \cdot \mathcal{B}(Z \rightarrow \mu+\mu-) = 39.6 \pm 0.7 \text{ (stat)} \pm 0.6 \text{ (syst)} \pm 0.8 \text{ (lumi)} \text{ pb}$$

Measurements validates theoretical calculations accurate to $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s^2)$.

Measurements probe nPDFs @Bjorken-x values of $10^{-4} < x < 10^{-3}$



Extraction of **nuclear modification factor** using measurements from p-Pb

collision dataset @ $\sqrt{s}_{\text{NN}} = 5.02$ TeV (208 binary NN collisions) for

forward $[1.53 < y^* < 4.03]$ and backward regions $[-4.97 < y^* < -2.47]$

y^*_μ : μ rapidity in CM frame.

$$\mathcal{L} = 100 \pm 2 \text{ pb}^{-1}, \text{ pp @ } \sqrt{s} = 5.02 \text{ TeV}$$

[arXiv:2308.12940](https://arxiv.org/abs/2308.12940)

$$2.0 < \eta < 4.5$$

$$p_T > 20 \text{ GeV},$$

$$m_{\mu\mu} : [60, 120] \text{ GeV}$$

Acceptance correction

$$R_{p\text{Pb}}^F = k_{p\text{Pb}}^F \cdot \frac{\sigma(p\text{Pb}, 1.53 < y_\mu^* < 4.03)}{208 \cdot \sigma(pp, 2.0 < \eta < 4.5)},$$

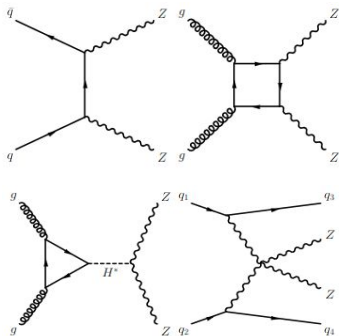
$$R_{p\text{Pb}}^F = 1.2^{+0.5}_{-0.3} \text{ (stat)} \pm 0.1 \text{ (syst)}$$

$$R_{p\text{Pb}}^F = 3.6^{+1.6}_{-0.9} \text{ (stat)} \pm 0.2 \text{ (syst)}$$

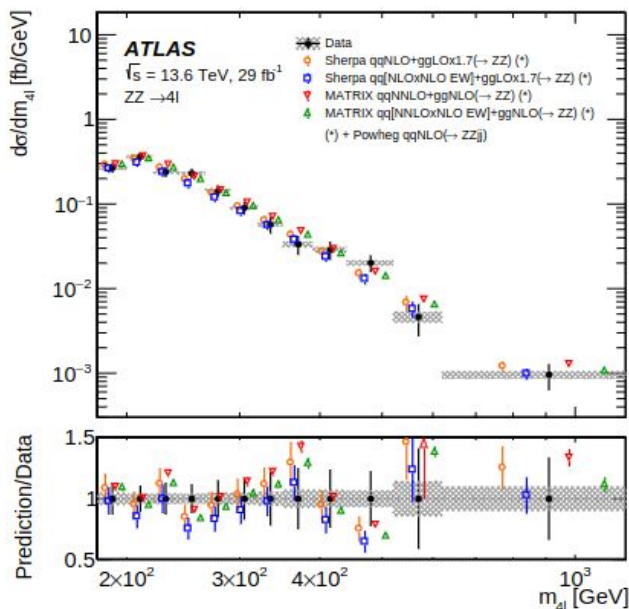
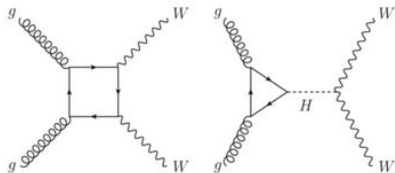
Inclusive ZZ, WW productions at $\sqrt{s} = 13.6$ TeV

Important for Higgs and gauge coupling studies; also BSM searches.

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WW



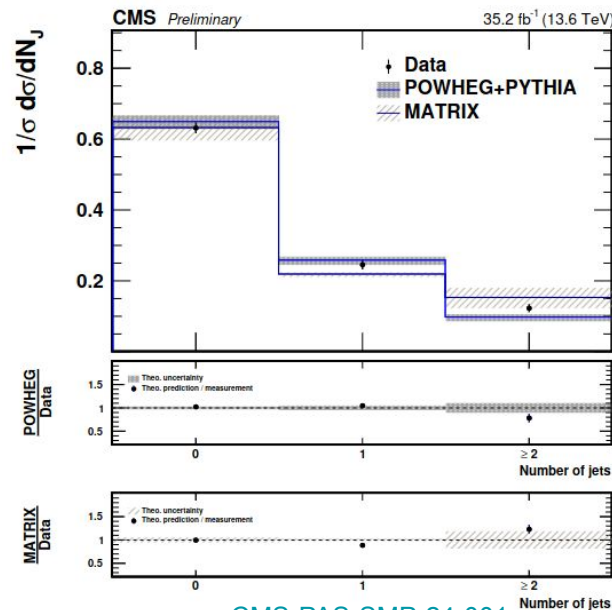
[arXiv:2311.09715](https://arxiv.org/abs/2311.09715)

$$\sigma(4\ell+X)_{\text{fid}} = 16.8 \pm 1.1 \text{ pb}$$

$$66 < m_Z < 116 \text{ GeV}, \ell = e, \mu$$

$$\sigma(\text{WW}+X)_{\text{fid}}$$

e, μ modes



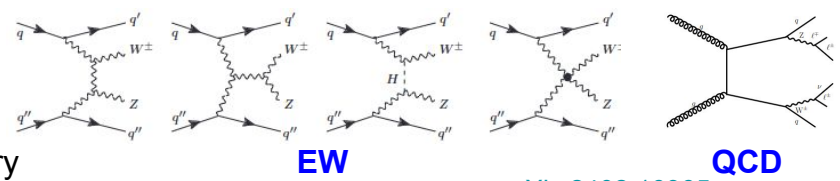
[CMS-PAS-SMP-24-001](https://arxiv.org/abs/2311.09715)

Observable	Expected	Observed
Cross section (fb)	812 ± 35	808 ± 36
0-jet fraction	0.648 ± 0.014	0.633 ± 0.015
1-jet fraction	0.256 ± 0.012	0.245 ± 0.012
≥ 2-jet fraction	0.096 ± 0.010	0.122 ± 0.014

$$\sigma(\text{WW}+X)_{\text{tot}} = 25.7 \pm 5.6 \text{ pb}$$

Detailed presentation of vector boson scattering results in parallel session: Costanza Carnvale

WZ productions at $\sqrt{s} = 13$ TeV



[arXiv:2402.16365](https://arxiv.org/abs/2402.16365)

- WZ polarisation measurements probe the nature of EW symmetry breaking. Polarization energy dependent.
- Analysis identifies 2 fiducial regions with different longitudinal (L) polarization.
- For low (high) p_T bosons polarization is mostly transverse (longitudinal).

Study rapidity difference ΔY between

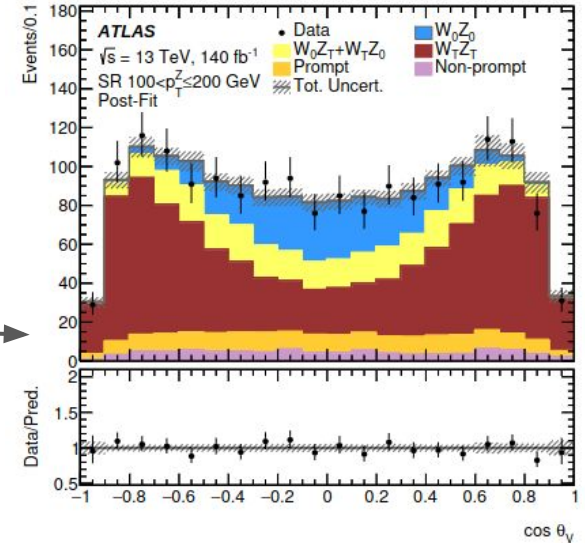
- lepton from the W boson decay and the Z boson
- the W boson and the Z boson.

⇒ TT amplitude vanishes for $\theta_v = 0$.

Significant suppression of events in both cases for $\Delta Y = 0$

First observation of radiation amplitude zero region!

- A non-zero fraction of events (e, μ modes) with diboson polarization
→ observed significance: 5.3 s.d, p_{T}^Z : [100, 200 GeV].



θ_v : scattering angle of the W boson in the WZ rest frame with respect to the z -axis.

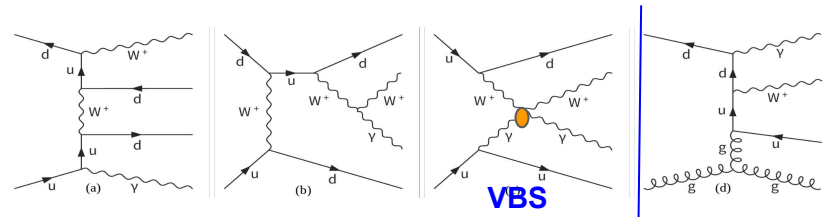
Fiducial $\sigma(WZjj \rightarrow \ell' \nu \ell \ell jj)_{EW} = 0.368 \pm 0.037$ (stat.) ± 0.059 (syst.) ± 0.003 (lumi.) fb

Constraint on dim-8 operators in EFT analysis of VBS production of WZ.

[arXiv: 2403.15296](https://arxiv.org/abs/2403.15296)

$W\gamma + jj$ at $\sqrt{s} = 13$ TeV

EW production probes quartic gauge coupling and related to CP nature $WW\gamma Z$ and $WW\gamma\gamma$ couplings \Rightarrow sensitive to the EWSB.



The interference term with QCD (~ 1 to 3% of EW signal depending on M_{jj} range)

CMS measurements:

$$\sigma_{EW}^{fid} = 23.5 \pm 2.8 \text{ (stat)}_{-1.7}^{+1.9} \text{ (theo)}_{-3.4}^{+3.5} \text{ (syst) fb} = 23.5_{-4.7}^{+4.9} \text{ fb.}$$

$$\sigma_{EW+QCD}^{fid} = 113 \pm 2.0 \text{ (stat)}_{-2.3}^{+2.5} \text{ (theo)}_{-13}^{+13} \text{ (syst) fb} = 113 \pm 13 \text{ fb.}$$

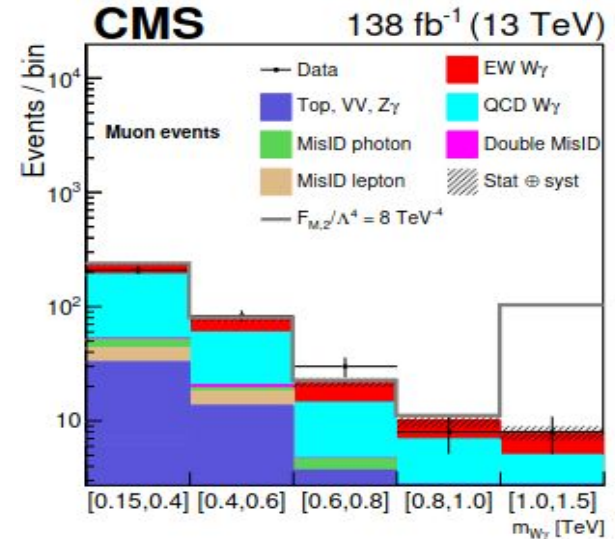
Effective field theory with dim-8 operators involving 2 types of operators: only field strengths (eg, $B_{\mu\nu}$) and both field strength & covariant derivative ($D_\mu\phi$),

[PRD 74 \(2006\) 073005](#)

ATLAS: $W\gamma + jj$ process observed with 6.3 s.d.
 \rightarrow studied various kinematic observables:
 ρ_T^{jj} most sensitive to the **tensor-type operators**
 \rightarrow **first LHC limits**

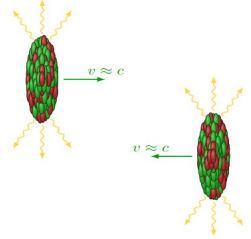
[arXiv:2403.02809](#)

ρ_T^ℓ most sensitive to the mixed scalar operators.



[PRD 108 \(2023\) 032017](#)

EW results in two-photon collisions



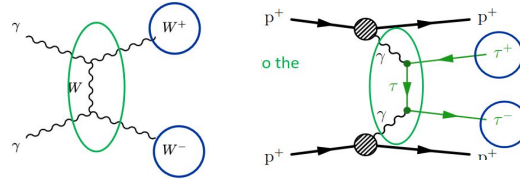
Photons can be simultaneously emitted by charged particles during p-p/ p-Pb/ Pb-Pb collisions

Cross section $\sim Z^4 \Rightarrow$ large rate of diphoton production in heavy ion runs.

At very high masses of $m_{\gamma\gamma}$, diffracted protons can be tagged by the forward detectors \Rightarrow study diffractive production of $WW / \tau\tau$

Utilize excellent tracking capability of experiments

CMS: $\sim 30\%$ of the 1 mm window around the beamspot not contain any pileup track.



- 2 back-to-back objects
- No hadronic activity close to the di- W/τ vertex
- $N_{\text{tracks}} = 0, p_T > 0.5 \text{ GeV}, |\eta| < 2$

First observation of $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow \tau\tau$ in pp collisions by CMS

$\sigma_{\text{fid}}(\text{obs}) = 11.2 + 3.1\text{--}2.4 \text{ (syst)} + 2.2\text{--}2.1 \text{ (stat)} \text{ fb}$, Significance 5.3 s.d. (6.5 exp.)

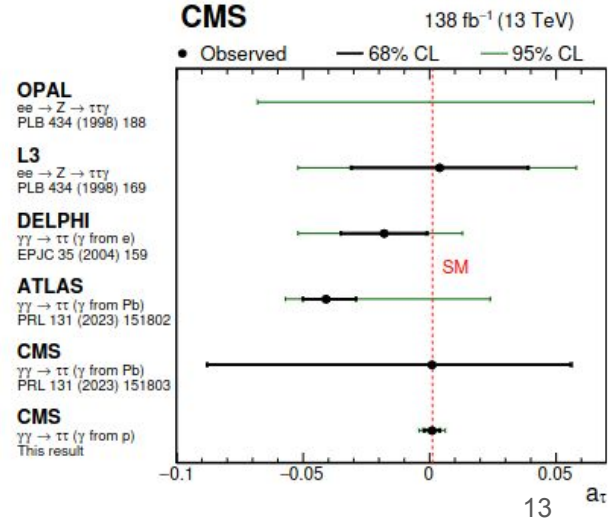
Constraints on the anomalous electromagnetic moments of τ :

$$a_{\tau} = 0.0009^{+0.0032}_{-0.0031}$$

Dirac a_{τ} : 0.0

Schwinger (SM) $a_{\tau} = 0.00116(9)$

Dipole moment: $-1.7 < d_{\tau} < 1.7 \times 10^{-17} \text{ e cm}$.



Exclusive production of high mass diphoton at 13 TeV

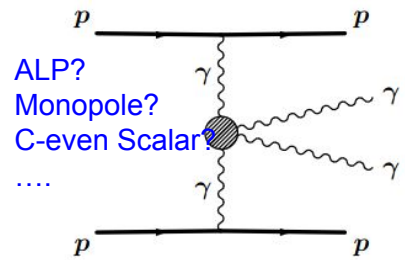
Also called light-by-light (LbyL) scattering .

Protons tagged in TOTEM precision proton spectrometer

Anomalous 4γ interaction in dim-8 EFT:

$$\mathcal{L}_{4\gamma} = \zeta_1 F_{\mu\nu} F^{\mu\nu} F_{\rho\sigma} F^{\rho\sigma} + \zeta_2 F_{\mu\nu} F^{\nu\rho} F_{\rho\lambda} F^{\lambda\mu},$$

$\zeta_i = 0$ in SM



Study differential cross section:

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \frac{1}{16\pi^2 s} (s^2 + t^2 + st)^2 [48\zeta_1^2 + 40\zeta_1\zeta_2 + 11\zeta_2^2]$$

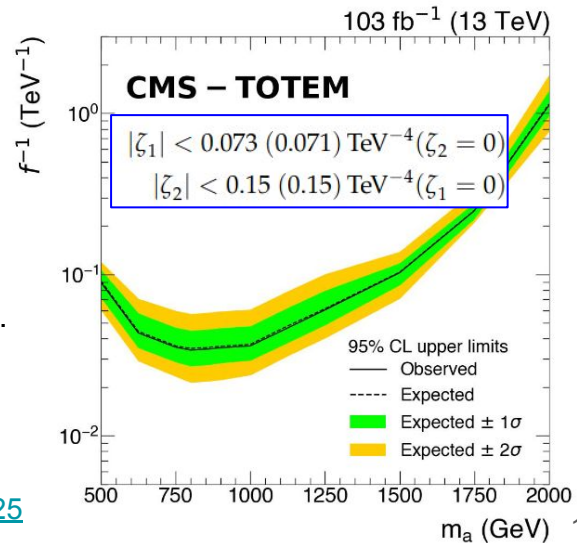
Only 1 event found in relevant phase-space, expected background: 1.1 event

CMS $\sigma(pp \rightarrow p\gamma\gamma p) < 0.61$ fb

for $p_T^{\gamma\gamma} > 100$ GeV, $|\eta^{\gamma\gamma}| < 2.5$, $m_{\gamma\gamma} > 350$ GeV
fractional proton energy loss of $0.035 < \xi_p < 0.150(0.180)$ for the +z (-z) arm of PPS.

Limits on axion-like particle (ALP) production in s-channel $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow a \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$

Coupling: $f^{-1} \geq 0.03$ to 1 TeV^{-1} for $m_a = 500\text{--}2000$ GeV

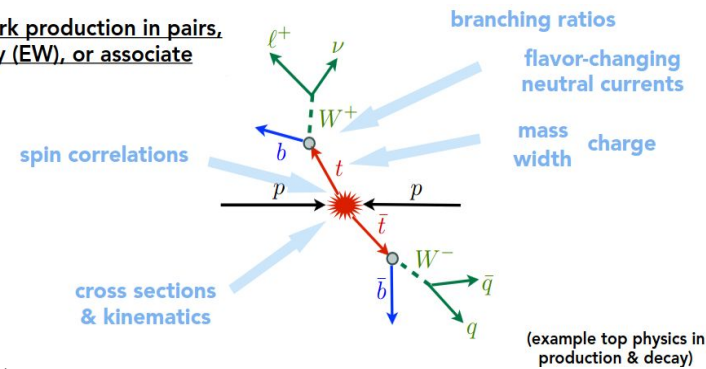


arXiv: [2311.02725](https://arxiv.org/abs/2311.02725)

Physics of the top quark

- Heaviest known elementary particle
- Abundant production at the LHC (in Run 2 $\sim 10^8$ per expt.)
- Extremely short-lived, decays before hadronizing \rightarrow allows to observe properties of the bare quark
- Mass/ Yukawa coupling: free parameter in SM, to be measured in experiments: $y_f = \sqrt{2} m_f / v$. **Also** key factor in stability of SM Higgs potential
- Top mass must be measured with precision.

Top quark production in pairs, singly (EW), or associate



[CERN-LPCC-2023-002](#)

[arXiv:2402.08713](#)

[CMS-PAS-TOP-022-001](#)

ATLAS & CMS combination of 15 measurements using Run1 data ($\sqrt{s} = 7$ & 8 TeV) uses top pair and single top productions:

$m_t = 172.52 \pm 0.33$ [0.14 (stat), 0.33(syst)] GeV \rightarrow impressive *precision of 0.18%*

Currently, best measurement in a single channel: $m_t = 171.77 \pm 0.37$ GeV

[CMS-PAS-TOP-022-008](#)

Issue: difference of ~ 0.5 GeV between direct measurement of m_t^{MC} (parameter in event generation tool), indirect measurement from cross section corr. m_t^{pole} (top-mass renormalization scheme in field-theory)

[A.Hoang: 2004.01915](#)

HL-LHC projection for $\Delta m_t \sim 200$ MeV
Ultimate precision expected $\sim 0.1\%$

[CERN YR](#)

More details in *Recent highlights of the top quark production from CMS* by Jeremy Andrea

Cross section for top quark pair production

Measurement of $t\bar{t}$ production cross section:

→ Test QCD predictions & extract SM parameters

→ Constrain top quarks as background process

Measurements at $\sqrt{s}=13.6$ TeV tests the scaling with energy & other experimental improvements

$$\sigma(\text{theo}) = 924^{+32}_{-40} \text{ pb}$$

ATLAS: $\sigma(t\bar{t}+X) = 850 \pm 3$ (stat) ± 18 (syst) ± 20 (lumi) pb

Total uncertainty $\sim 3.2\%$ using 29 fb^{-1}

[PLB 848 \(2024\) 138376](#)

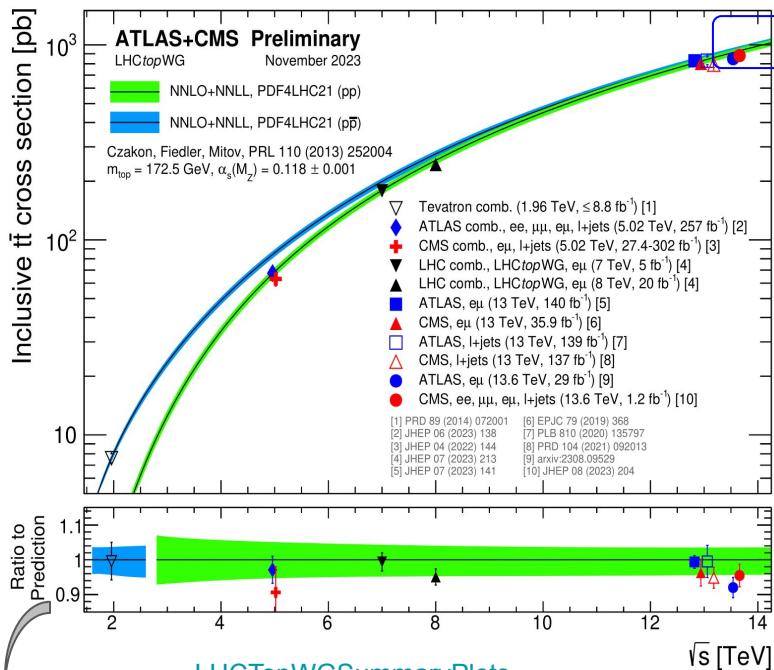
CMS: $\sigma(t\bar{t}+X) = 881 \pm 23$ (stat \pm syst) ± 20 (lumi) pb

Total uncertainty $\sim 3.5\%$ using 1.21 fb^{-1}

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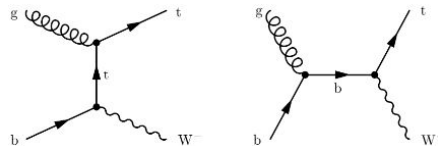
New ATLAS result at 13 TeV reaches precision of 1.8% !

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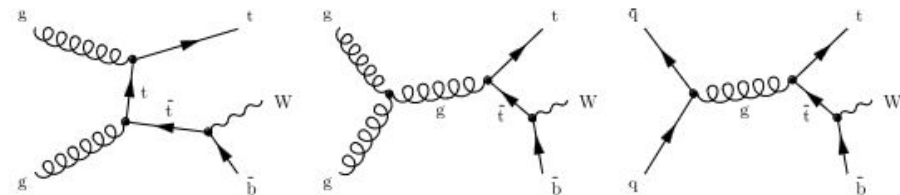


Compatibility with theory predictions at high order in perturbation theory

Measurements of tW production



Removed processes of tW production at NLO in simulation

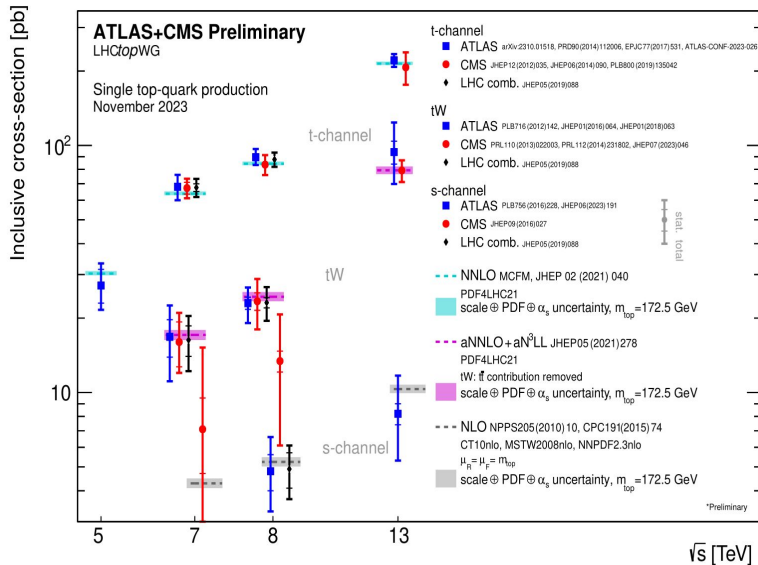


CMS: $\sigma(tW) = 84.1 \pm 2.1$ (stat) $^{+9.8}_{-10.2}$ (syst) ± 3.3 (lumi) pb at 13.6 TeV
 → total relative uncertainty ~ 13%

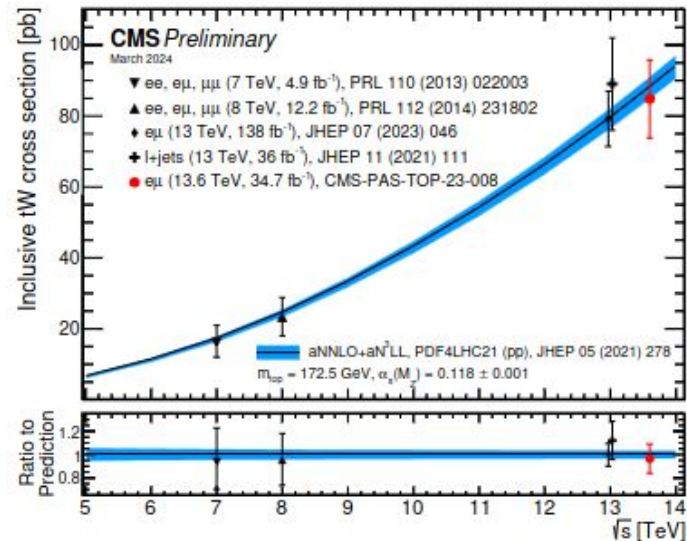
t-channel measurement with ~ 6% uncert. by ATLAS at 13 TeV

arXiv:2403.02126

HCTopWGSummaryPlots

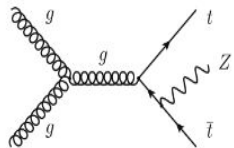


Ratio of tq to tbar-q productions can potentially differentiate between different PDF sets.



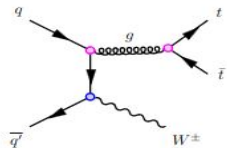
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ttZ, ttW, tZq productions at 13 TeV



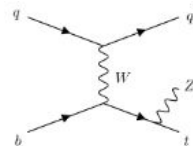
[arXiv:2312.04450](https://arxiv.org/abs/2312.04450)

[CMS-PAS-TOP-23-004](https://arxiv.org/abs/2303.004)



[arXiv:2401.05299](https://arxiv.org/abs/2401.05299)

[JHEP 07 \(2023\) 219](https://arxiv.org/abs/2207.219)



ATLAS:

- Measured total cross section: $\sigma(ttZ) = 0.86 \pm 0.04(\text{stat}) \pm 0.04(\text{syst}) \text{ pb}$
SM: $\sigma(ttZ) = 0.86 \pm 0.09 \text{ pb}$ at NLO(QCD+EW)+NNLL

[EPJC 79 \(2019\) 249](https://arxiv.org/abs/1907.249)

- Spin correlations of the top quarks consistent with the SM
1.8 s.d. difference from the hypothesis of no spin correlations

- Recent measurement $\sigma(tt\gamma)_{\text{fid}} = 793 \pm 38 \text{ fb} = 793 \pm 5 (\text{stat})^{+38}_{-37} (\text{syst}) \text{ fb.}$

[arXiv: 2403.09452](https://arxiv.org/abs/2403.09452)

- Combined EFT analysis for ttZ and tt γ measurements

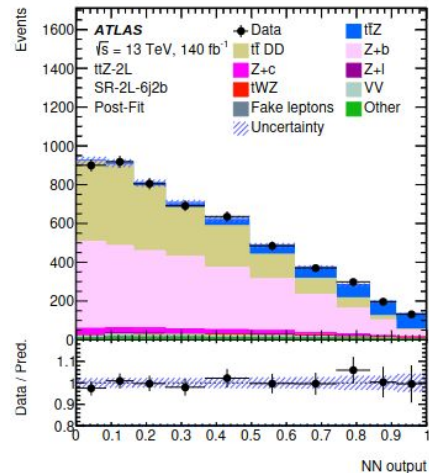
- Measured total cross section: $\sigma(ttW) = 0.88 \pm 0.08 \text{ pb}$
SM: $\sigma(ttW) = 0.75 \pm 0.05 \text{ pb}$ at NNLO(QCD)+NLO(EW))

[PRL 131 \(2023\) 231901](https://arxiv.org/abs/2303.231901)

CMS:

$\sigma(ttW) = 0.868 \pm 0.040 (\text{stat}) \pm 0.051 (\text{syst}) \text{ pb.}$

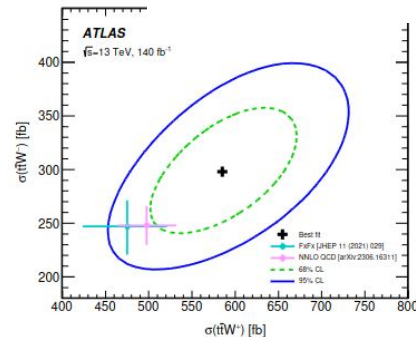
$\sigma(tZq) = 0.81 \pm 0.10 \text{ pb}$



[JHEP 03 \(2020\) 056](https://arxiv.org/abs/2003.056)

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*charge asymmetry
between ttW⁺ and ttW⁻*



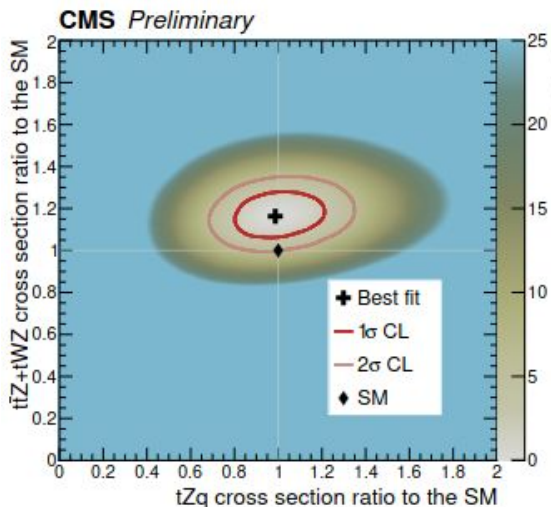
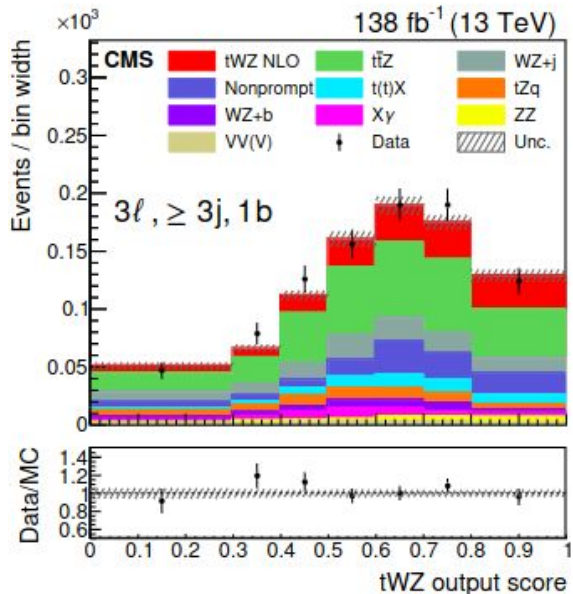
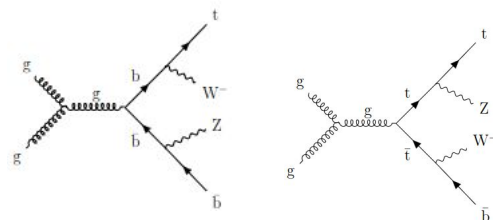
Evidence of tWZ production

Measured $\sigma(tWZ) = 354 \pm 54$ (stat) ± 95 (syst) fb
 statistical significance 3.4 s.d. (expected: 1.4 s.d.)

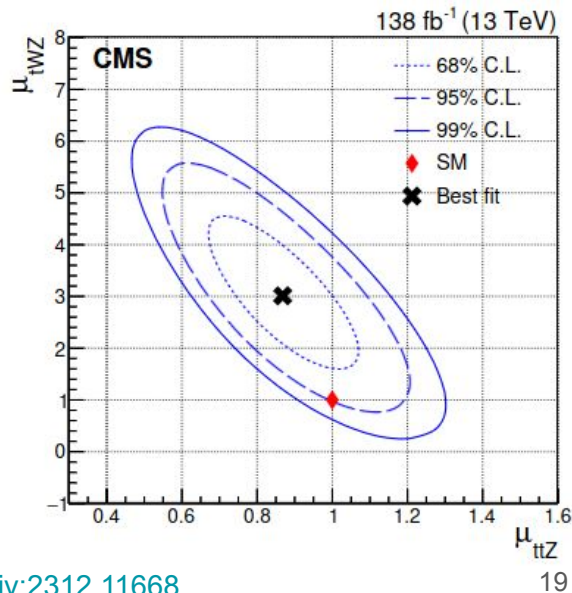
2σ above the SM prediction of 136 ± 9 fb at NLO(QCD)

Main background ttZ process

$$\sigma(ttZ + tWZ) = 1.14 \pm 0.07 \text{ pb}$$



Likelihood scan of signal strengths $\mu(ttZ + tWZ)$ vs $\mu(ttZq)$



[arXiv:2312.11668](https://arxiv.org/abs/2312.11668)

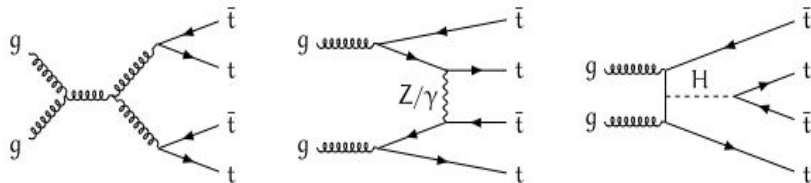
Observation of 4t production

- Heaviest final state \Rightarrow expect about 2k events @13 TeV

Observed (expected) significance

6.1(4.7) s.d. : ATLAS

5.6 (4.9) s.d.: CMS



[EPJC 83 \(2023\) 496](#)
[PLB 847 \(2023\) 138290](#)

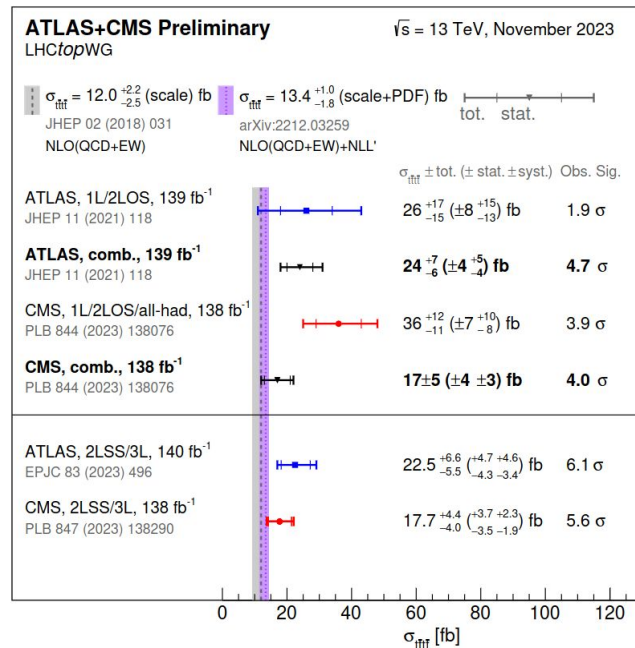
- Possible enhancement in BSM: \Rightarrow Several constraints on new physics.
- Cross section sensitive to top Yukawa coupling, its CP properties.
 Derive limits in 2d parameter space of $|\kappa_t \cos(\alpha)|$, $|\kappa_t \sin(\alpha)|$, $\kappa_t = y_t / y_t^{\text{SM}}$

Assuming a pure CP-even coupling ($\alpha = 0$), **observed upper limit on**

$|\kappa_t| = 1.9$ at 95% CL

[EPJC 84 \(2024\) 156](#)

- EFT: constrain 4-fermion interactions of dim-6
- Observed constraint on Higgs boson oblique parameter <0.2 at 95% CL
 \rightarrow coincides with the maximum allowed value compatible with perturbation theory

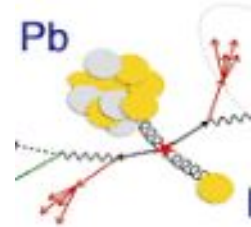


Top quark production in heavy ion collisions

First observation of tops in p-Pb collisions at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 8.16$ TeV by **CMS 45 ± 8 nb** [PRL 119 \(2017\) 242001](#)

New measurement by **ATLAS : = $57.9 \pm 2.0(\text{stat})^{+4.9}_{-4.5}(\text{syst})$ nb** at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 8.16$ TeV [ATLAS-CONF-2023-063](#)

Total uncertainty in integrated cross section: $\sim 9\%$

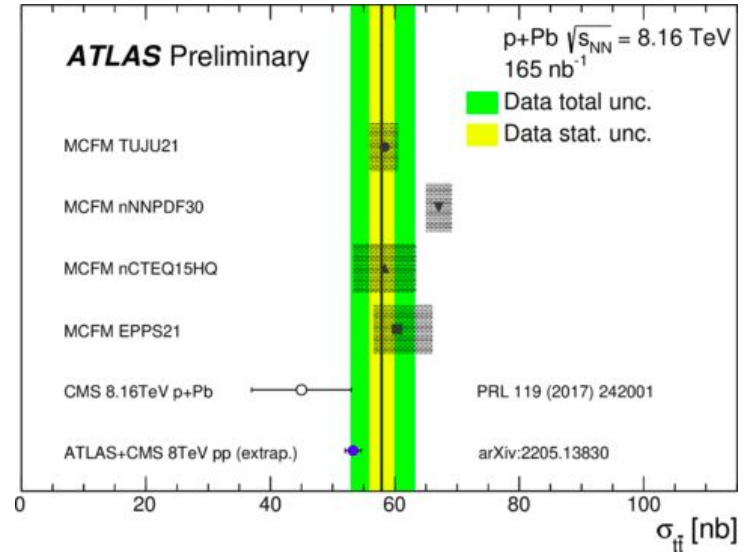


Measurement paves a new way to constraint nPDFs in the high- x region

Evidence for top quark production in Pb-Pb collisions (CMS)

→ Precise probe of nuclear gluon density [PRL 125 \(2020\) 222001](#)

Precision of the measurement in the individual $t\bar{t}$ decay channel limited by systematic uncertainties in both channels fr ATLAS, but for CMS the $t\bar{t}$ jets channel uncertainty is mainly due to systematics while the dilepton region is dominated by statistics.



Quantum entanglement (observed at the highest energy so far)

- Entanglement explored for the first time between a pair of quarks at relativistic energies.

$$|\mathcal{M}(q\bar{q}/gg \rightarrow t\bar{t} \rightarrow (\ell^+ \nu b)(\ell^- \bar{\nu} \bar{b}))|^2 \sim \text{tr}[PR\bar{P}].$$

R: production spin density matrix
P: decay spin density matrix of top

$$\underbrace{\frac{1}{m_t}}_{\text{production } 10^{-27} \text{ s}} < \underbrace{\frac{1}{\Gamma_t}}_{\text{lifetime } 10^{-26} \text{ s}} < \underbrace{\frac{1}{\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}}}_{\text{hadronization } 10^{-24} \text{ s}} < \underbrace{\frac{m_t}{\Lambda^2}}_{\text{spin-flip } 10^{-21} \text{ s}}$$

- In pair production of tt spin information is correlated and transferred to decay products.
- Spin correlations at low m(tt) used as a proxy to estimate the entanglement.
- Study two-qubit states at tt production threshold (system is spin-singlet, rotationally invariant), with well-specified fiducial phase-space.

[EPJ+ 136 \(2021\) 907](#)

$$\frac{1}{\sigma} \frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega_+ d\Omega_-} = \frac{1 + \mathbf{B}^+ \cdot \hat{\mathbf{q}}_+ - \mathbf{B}^- \cdot \hat{\mathbf{q}}_- - \hat{\mathbf{q}}_+ \cdot \mathbf{C} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{q}}_-}{(4\pi)^2}$$

$$D = \frac{\text{Tr}[\mathbf{C}]}{3} \Rightarrow D < -\frac{1}{3}$$

B : top polarization
C : spin correlation matrix
 $\text{Tr}[\mathbf{C}] < -1$

Observable dependent on the angle between the charged leptons in the rest frame of their parents

ATLAS: $D = -0.547 \pm 0.002$ (stat) ± 0.020 (syst)

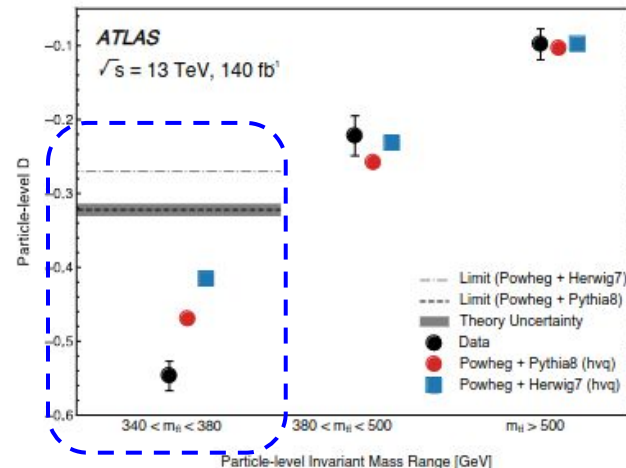
[arXiv:2311.07288](#)

CMS: $D = -0.478^{+0.025}_{-0.027}$

[CMS PAS-TOP-23-001](#)

Significance more than 5 s.d. compared to null hypothesis of no-entanglement.

Degree of entanglement depends on tt kinematics



Measurement: first step towards quantum tomography and coherence in top quark events.

Conclusion

Presented a non-exhaustive (personal) selection of topics to highlight the breadth of the electroweak and top physics analyses being performed at the LHC. Accurate measurements supported by precision theoretical work and better simulations.

Looking forward eagerly for healthy data collection during 2024 and 2025 to improve results from Run 3. This is critical to resolve some of the disagreements between measurements and predictions; eg., cross sections for $t\bar{t}W$, $t\bar{t}Z$, $t\bar{t}t\bar{t}$ etc.

Technical advancements are hard to predict \Rightarrow Expectations are often exceeded.

Hence did not delve much into the projection studies for HL-LHC, performed few years back,

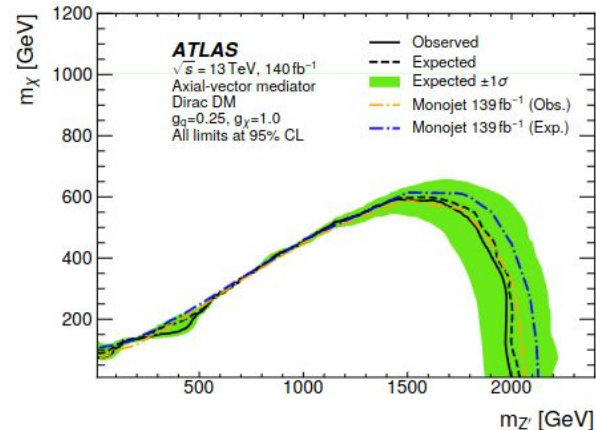
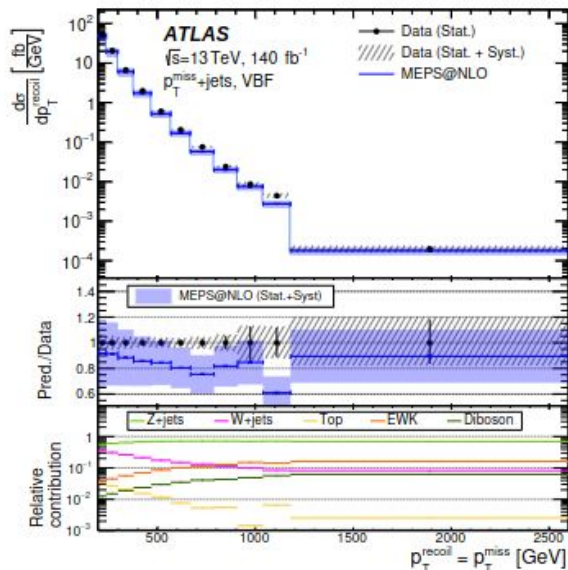
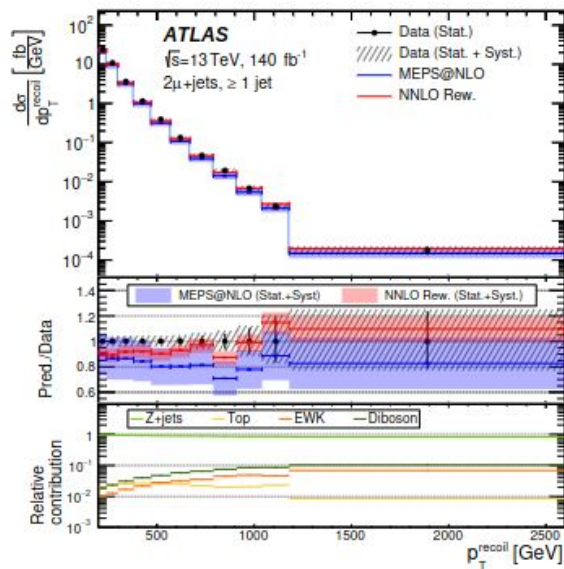
The diversity of analyses after more than a decade of the start of the LHC indicates that the mining of interesting physics will continue for next several decades.

On behalf of the LHC experimental community we congratulate the CERN accelerator team and the WLCG.

Thank you!

Backup

Differential measurement of p_T^{recoil} , p_T^{miss}



arXiv: [2403.02793](https://arxiv.org/abs/2403.02793)

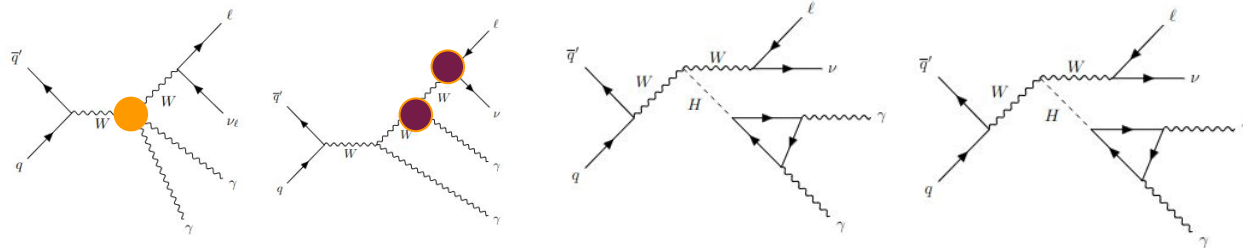
$$R^{\text{miss}} = \frac{\sigma_{\text{fid}}(p_T^{\text{miss}} + \text{jets})}{\sigma_{\text{fid}}(\ell^+ \ell^- + \text{jets})} \quad \text{This ratio won't reveal contribution of DM}$$

Search for dark matter (DM) in events with $p_T^{\text{miss}} + \text{jets}$ or 1, 2 leptons + jets or 1 photon + jets

BSM interpretation possible with reasonably good sensitivity: DM production via Z' respecting additional U(1) symmetry.

Electroweak production of tribosons $W\gamma\gamma$

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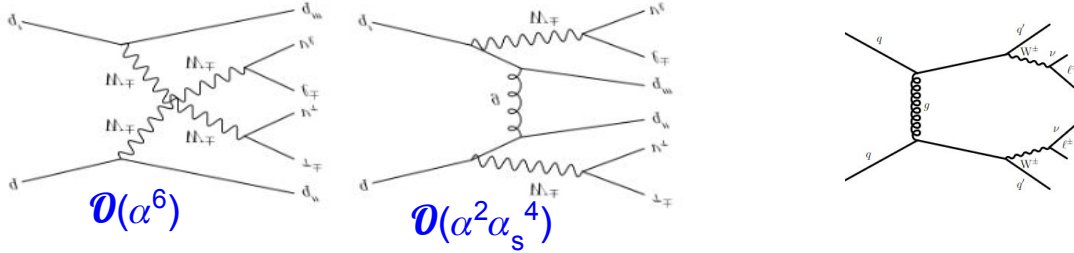
$W\gamma\gamma$ process: 5.6 s.d. observation
($e + \mu$ channel) $\sigma \sim 12.2 \pm 2$ fb

All measurements match with SM

Source of uncertainty	Impact [%]
Data-driven background estimates	13
Photon efficiency	4.5
Signal MC theoretical modeling	3.5
Background MC theoretical modeling	3.0
Monte Carlo statistics	2.8
Jet efficiency and calibration	2.4
Top normalization	2.4
Pileup reweighting	1.6
E_T^{miss} calibration	1.4
Muon efficiency and calibration	1.4
Luminosity	1.0
Electron and photon calibration	0.7
Flavor tagging efficiency	0.6
Systematic	15
Statistical	8.3
Total	17

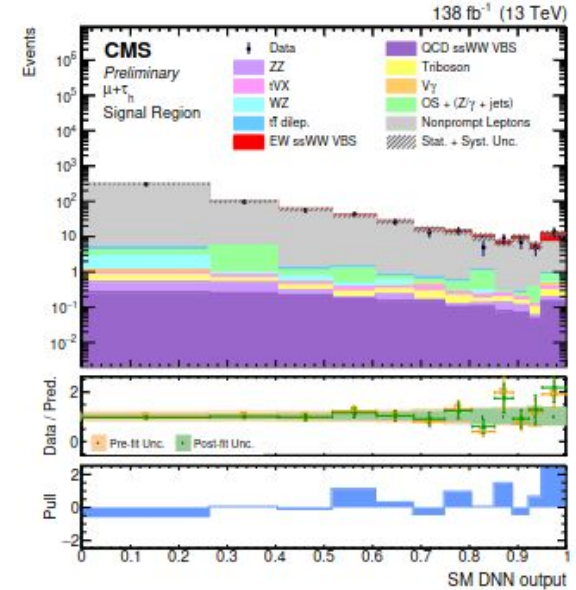
VBS: Same-sign W pair using one τ lepton at 13 TeV

CMS-PAS-SMP-22-008



- Measurement statistically limited.
- EFT interpretation of dim-6 and dim-8 coefficients

Total systematic uncertainty	+0.344	-0.302
Data statistical uncertainty	+0.522	-0.477
Total uncertainty	+0.625	-0.564



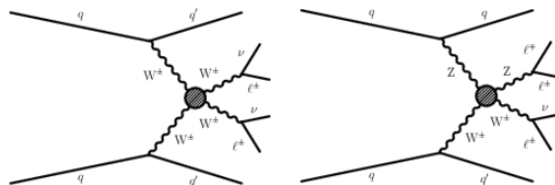
Observed (expected) EW signal strength (fixing QCD part to SM) : $1.44^{+0.63}_{-0.56}$

significance: 2.7 (1.9) s.d.

Vector boson scattering: WW, WZ at HL-LHC

VBS insight into EWSB of the SM

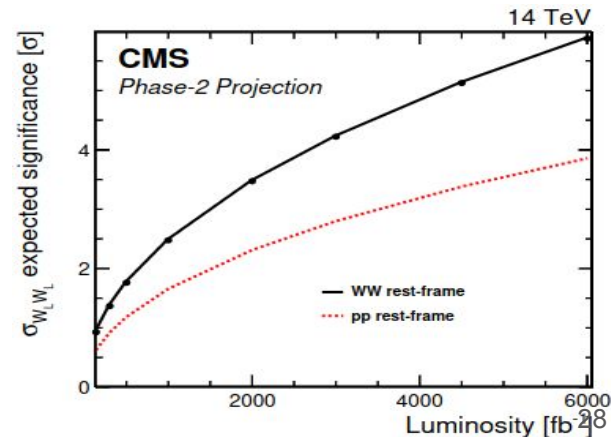
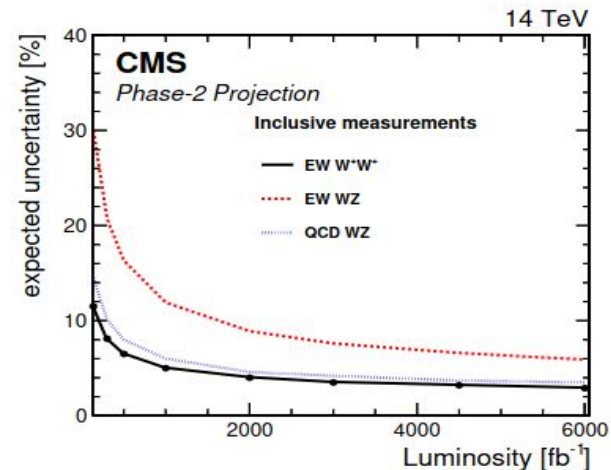
cross section can be modified via BSM contributions



- Two gauge bosons + two jets w/ large m_{jj} and large $|\Delta\eta_{jj}|$
- Three ($WL\pm WL\pm$, $WL\pm WT\pm$ and $WT\pm WT\pm$) polarization states
- Sensitivity to VBS & $WL\pm WL\pm$ as a function of luminosity
- Based on 13 TeV measurements, projected with the similar S/B ratio

o uncertainty for inclusive measurements: $\mathcal{O}(20\text{-}30\%)$

o estimated significance for observation of EW $WL\pm WL\pm$



Top Quark Spin Correlation at HL-LHC

CMS-PAS-FTR-18-034

Spin information can be used to search for new physics. eg.,: production of top squark pair \Rightarrow spin of daughter top quarks uncorrelated unlike the $t\bar{t}$ production in the Standard Model

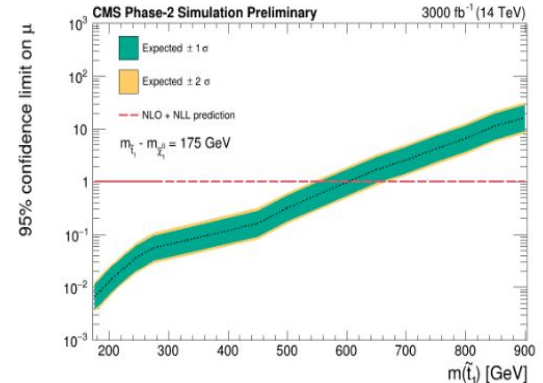
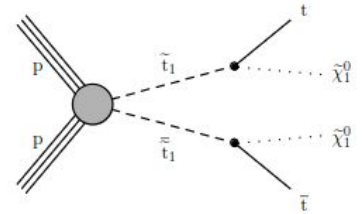
- HL-LHC projection at 14 TeV and 3000 fb^{-1} of angular distribution of leptons from the decay of top quark.

Spin correlation fraction f_{SM} : fraction of SM-like spin correlation events as opposed to events with no spin correlation \Rightarrow represents the strength of the given measure of spin correlation relative to the SM prediction.

$f_{\text{SM}} = 0 \rightarrow$ no correlation

- **The most accurate laboratory-frame observable can be measured with a 3% total uncertainty**

- Can be utilised to **extend the ultimate LHC reach to discover top squarks or exclude a mass above 600 GeV.**



Invisible width of Z boson

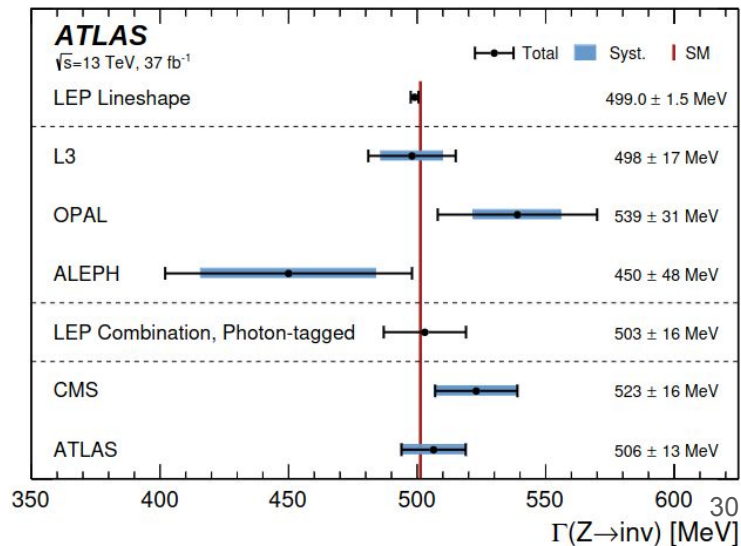
ATLAS arXiv:2312.02789
CMS: [PLB 843 \(2023\) 137563](#)

ATLAS, using 2015+2016 data $\mathcal{L} = 37 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ @ $\sqrt{s} = 13 \text{ TeV}$

Use ratio of $Z \rightarrow \nu\nu + X$ to $Z \rightarrow \ell\ell + X$

$506 \pm 2 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 12 \text{ (syst.) MeV}$

$$R^{\text{miss}}(p_{T,Z}) \equiv \frac{\frac{d\sigma(Z(\rightarrow\text{inv}) + \text{jets})}{dp_{T,Z}}}{\frac{d\sigma(Z(\rightarrow\ell\ell) + \text{jets})}{dp_{T,Z}}} = \frac{\frac{d\sigma(Z + \text{jets}) \times BR(Z \rightarrow \text{inv})}{dp_{T,Z}}}{\frac{d\sigma(Z + \text{jets}) \times BR(Z \rightarrow \ell\ell)}{dp_{T,Z}}}$$



Top related measurements at the HL-LHC

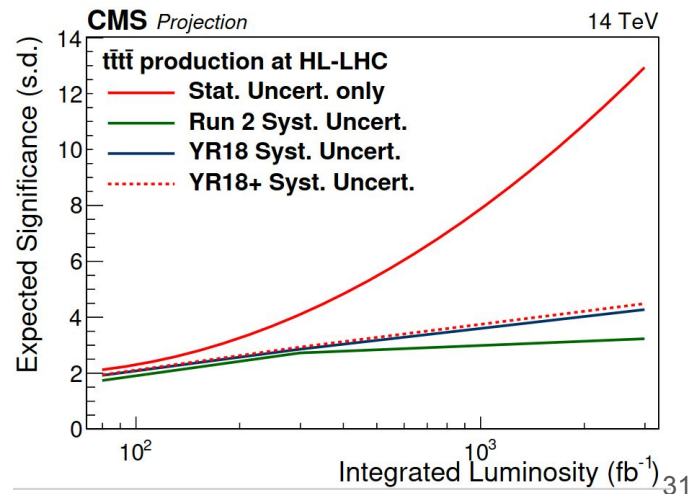
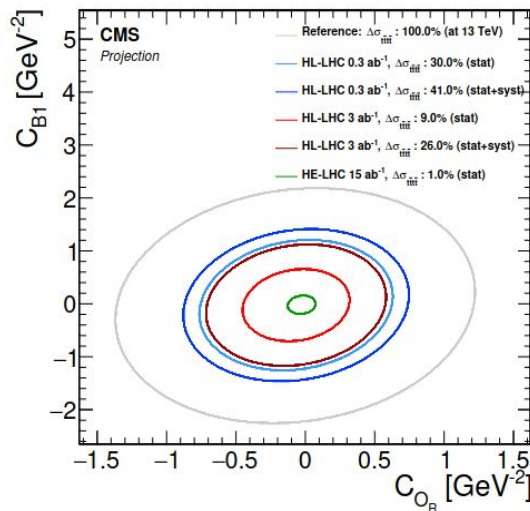
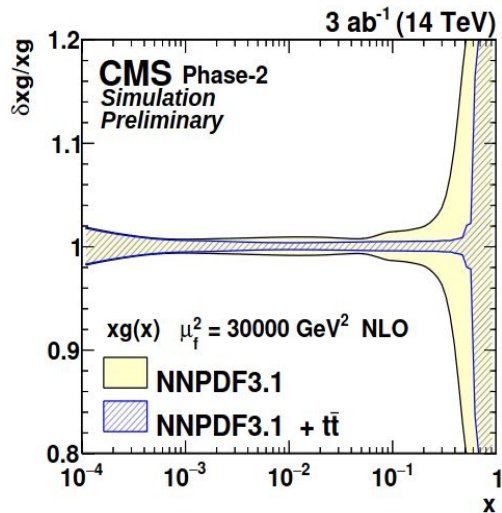
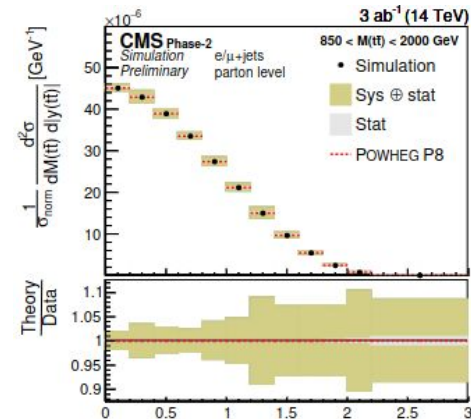
Measurements possible at higher rapidity with upgraded detectors

Huge pile up issue can be tackled efficiently.

Differential distributions: ultimate precision: $\sim 5\%$ due to improved jet energy calibration and a reduced uncertainty in the b-jet ident \Rightarrow Constrain PDFs

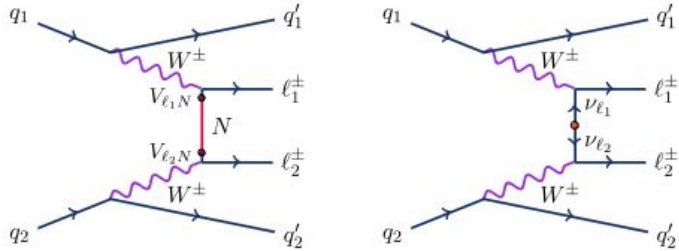
Measurement of 4 top production cross section constraints EFT parameter space [CMS-PAS-FTR-18-031](#)

[CMS-PAS-FTR-18-015](#)



Vector boson fusion process: novel tool for BSM search

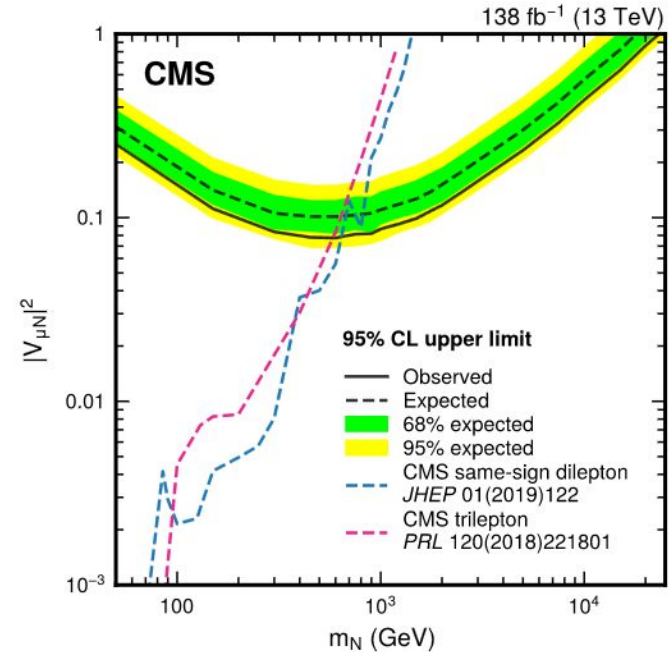
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- Same sign dilepton in central region of detector in VBF-like event topology
==> lepton number violation

i) Heavy, Majorana neutrino (N) production

ii) Process mediated by Weinberg operator (dim-5) with flavour-dependent coefficients



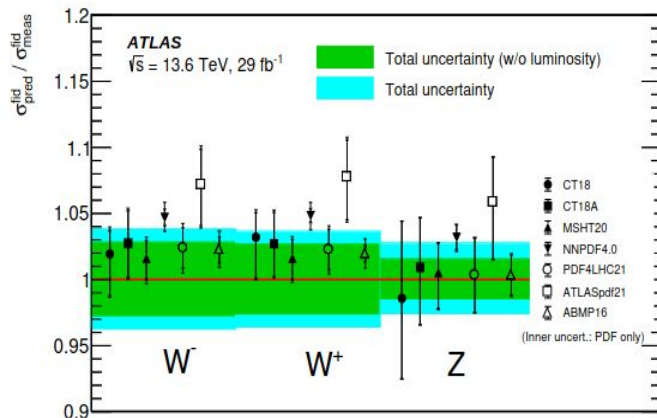
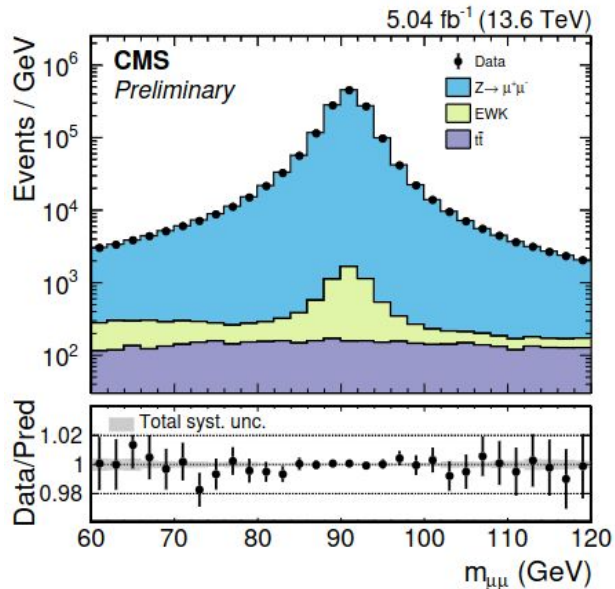
- Best limit on mixing element $|V_{\mu N}|^2$ puts the best constraint so far : $m_N > 650$ GeV
- Effective $\mu\mu$ Majorana neutrino mass associated with W-operator excluded : 10.8 GeV

W/Z production in Run3 data, $\sqrt{s} = 13.6$ TeV

W,Z processes marked by clear experimental signatures:

- standard candles
- ideal tools for QCD, EW studies
- determination of SM parameters
- extraction of PDFs
- testbed for state-of-the-art predictions
- important backgrounds to Higgs, BSM searches etc.

Precision EW measurements provide insight into BSM realm.



Ratio of fiducial cross sections:

$$R_{W^+/W^-} = 1.286 \pm 0.022$$

$$R_{W^\pm/Z} = 10.17 \pm 0.25$$

$$R_{t\bar{t}/W^\pm} = 0.112 \pm 0.003$$

[arXiv:2403.12902](https://arxiv.org/abs/2403.12902)

Fiducial cross sections

$$\text{ATLAS: } \sigma(pp \rightarrow W^+ + X) \mathcal{B}(W^+ \rightarrow \ell^+ \nu) = 4250 \pm 150 \text{ pb} \quad \sigma(pp \rightarrow W^- + X) \mathcal{B}(W^- \rightarrow \ell^- \nu) = 3310 \pm 120 \text{ pb}$$

$$\sigma(pp \rightarrow Z + X) \mathcal{B}(Z \rightarrow \ell^+ \ell^-) = 744 \pm 20 \text{ pb}, \quad m_{\mu\mu} : [66, 116] \text{ GeV}$$

$$\text{CMS: } \sigma(pp \rightarrow Z + X) \mathcal{B}(Z \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-) = 763.5 \pm 4(\text{stat}) \pm 6.9(\text{syst}) \pm 17.6(\text{lumi}) \text{ pb}, \quad m_{\mu\mu} : [60, 120] \text{ GeV}$$

$$\sigma^* \mathcal{B}(\text{pred.}) = 766.6 \pm 6.5 (\text{PDF})^{+2.1}_{-4.5} (\text{scale}) \text{ nb} \quad @\text{N2LO of QCD} + \text{NLO of EW}$$

ZZ + jets at $\sqrt{s} = 13$ TeV

Differential cross-section measurements of 4 charged leptons + 2 jets production in various kinematic variables:

i) VBS sensitive $\Rightarrow m_{4l}, p_T(4l), m_{jj}, \Delta y_{jj}, p_T(jj)$.

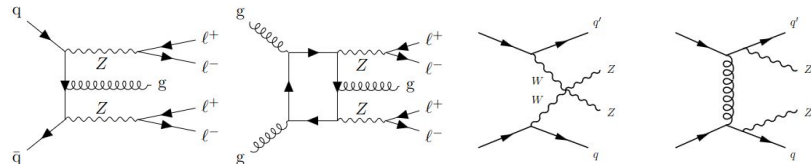
ii) Polarization and CP structure of WWZ & WWZZ self-interactions $\Rightarrow \cos\theta_{12}^*, \cos\theta_{34}^*, m_{jj}, \Delta\phi_{jj}, p_T(jj)$.

Note-1: NNLO + PS prediction improves the data / prediction agreement in the 1-jet and high jet multiplicity regions,

Note-2: Jet multiplicity description better than NLO samples generated with the event generators MADGRAPH5 aMC@NLO and POWHEG.

Note-3: Electroweak corrections improves the description of the m_{4l} distribution.

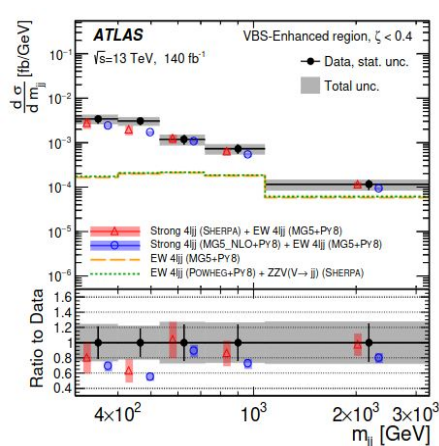
Required: better MC modeling for events with complex multiboson final states and extra jets.



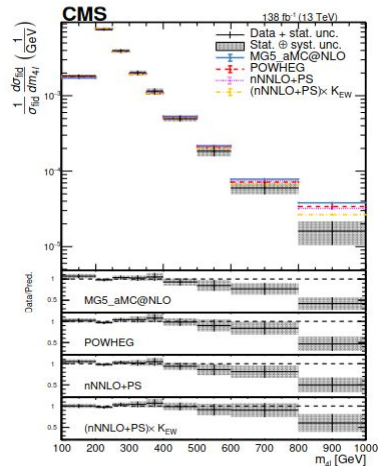
Test EFT dim-8 and dim-6 operators for aQGC.

$$|\mathcal{M}|^2 = |\mathcal{M}_{\text{SM}}|^2 + 2 \text{Re}(\mathcal{M}_{\text{SM}}^* \mathcal{M}_{\text{d8}}) + |\mathcal{M}_{\text{d8}}|^2,$$

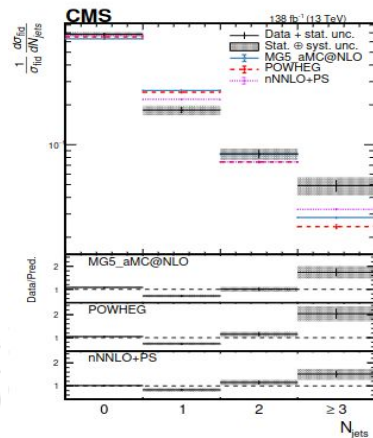
Constraints on the dim-8 aQGC by including/ excluding the pure dim-8 contributions for cut-off scale ($m_{4l} < E$ cutoff) using 2D (m_{jj}, m_{4l}) fit.



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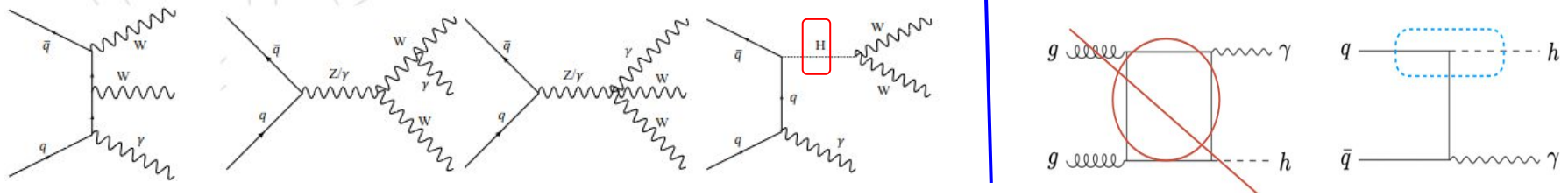


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Observation of $WW\gamma$ (and search for $H\gamma$) process

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- Anomalous coupling between Higgs and quarks can disturb the balance and create large cross sections at high energies.
- **First observation by CMS with significance 5.6 s.d. (5.1 s.d. exp.)**
- Measured **fiducial cross section for $WW\gamma$ process: 6.0 ± 1.2 fb.**
- **Upper limits** for H production and derived limits on Yukawa couplings of light quarks.
Note: recent constraint on anomalous Hcc coupling $1.1 < |\kappa_c| < 5.5$

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Process	σ upper limits obs. (exp.) [fb]	κ_q limits obs. (exp.) at 95% CL	$\bar{\kappa}_q$ limits obs. (exp.) at 95% CL
$u\bar{u} \rightarrow H + \gamma \rightarrow e\mu\nu_e\nu_\mu\gamma$	85 (67)	$ \kappa_u \leq 16000$ (13000)	$ \bar{\kappa}_u \leq 7.5$ (6.1)
$d\bar{d} \rightarrow H + \gamma \rightarrow e\mu\nu_e\nu_\mu\gamma$	72 (58)	$ \kappa_d \leq 17000$ (14000)	$ \bar{\kappa}_d \leq 16.6$ (14.7)
$s\bar{s} \rightarrow H + \gamma \rightarrow e\mu\nu_e\nu_\mu\gamma$	68 (49)	$ \kappa_s \leq 1700$ (1300)	$ \bar{\kappa}_s \leq 32.8$ (25.2)
$c\bar{c} \rightarrow H + \gamma \rightarrow e\mu\nu_e\nu_\mu\gamma$	87 (67)	$ \kappa_c \leq 200$ (110)	$ \bar{\kappa}_c \leq 45.4$ (25.0)