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SEARCHES FOR BSM IN TOP FINAL STATES IN ATLAS

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Top-quark physics

- **Heaviest** known elementary particle
 - Large coupling to Higgs boson
 - Potential large couplings to BSM particles
- **ATLAS Run 2 data** (140 fb^{-1}): pp collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 13 \text{ TeV}$, collected during 2015–2018
 - Abundant sample of top-quark events
 - BSM searches + precision measurements in the top sector



In this talk

1. Search for **charged-lepton-flavour violating** $\mu\tau q\bar{t}$ interactions in top-quark production and decay
2. Search for **flavour-changing neutral-current** couplings between the top quark and Higgs boson in multi-lepton final states
3. Precise test of **lepton flavour universality** in W boson decays into muons and electrons

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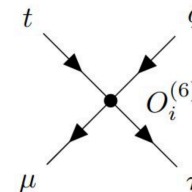


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cLFV in $\mu\tau qt$ processes

Motivation

- SM: charged lepton flavour is conserved in weak interactions
- Observed neutrino oscillations permit LFV processes (highly suppressed)
- Experimental evidence of cLFV: clear sign of BSM physics
- cLFV is featured in several BSM models (leptoquarks, SUSY, 2HDM)



This search

- First direct probe on 4-fermion contact interaction for $\mu\tau qt$ processes
- Model-independent EFT search with additional leptoquark interpretation

Previous searches

$$\mathcal{B}(t \rightarrow \ell\ell'q) < 1.86 \times 10^{-5}$$

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$$\mathcal{B}(t \rightarrow e\mu q) < 6.6 \times 10^{-6}$$

$$\mathcal{B}(t \rightarrow e\mu q) < 0.012 - 0.498 \times 10^{-6} \quad \text{[arXiv:2312.03199] (CMS)}$$

EFT operators

$$O_{lq}^{1(ijkl)} = (\bar{l}_i \gamma^\mu l_j) (\bar{q}_k \gamma_\mu q_l)$$

$$O_{lq}^{3(ijkl)} = (\bar{l}_i \gamma^\mu \sigma^I l_j) (\bar{q}_k \gamma_\mu \sigma^I q_l)$$

$$O_{eq}^{(ijkl)} = (\bar{e}_i \gamma^\mu e_j) (\bar{q}_k \gamma_\mu q_l)$$

$$O_{lu}^{(ijkl)} = (\bar{l}_i \gamma^\mu l_j) (\bar{u}_k \gamma_\mu u_l)$$

$$O_{eu}^{(ijkl)} = (\bar{e}_i \gamma^\mu e_j) (\bar{u}_k \gamma_\mu u_l)$$

$$O_{lequ}^{1(ijkl)} = (\bar{l}_i e_j) \varepsilon (\bar{q}_k u_l)$$

$$O_{lequ}^{3(ijkl)} = (\bar{l}_i \sigma^{\mu\nu} e_j) \varepsilon (\bar{q}_k \sigma_{\mu\nu} u_l)$$

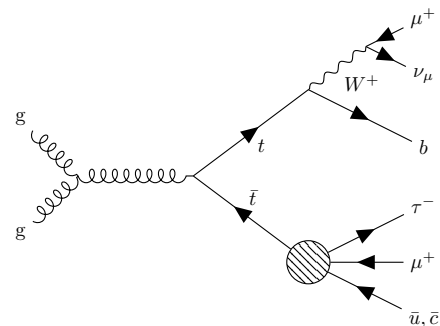
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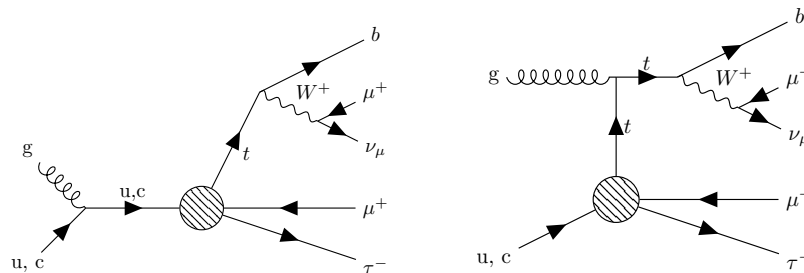
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- Signal modelling:
 - top-quark decay: $t\bar{t} \rightarrow (\mu\tau q)(\mu\nu_\mu b)$
 - single top-quark production: $qg \rightarrow \mu\tau t \rightarrow (\mu\tau)(\mu\nu_\mu b)$
- Background sources:
 - non-prompt (NP) muons: $t\bar{t}$ heavy-flavour hadron decays inside jets
 - prompt leptons: $t\bar{t} + X$ ($t\bar{t}Z, t\bar{t}W, t\bar{t}H$) and diboson (WZ, ZZ)
 - fake τ_{had} candidates

cLFV in top-quark decay



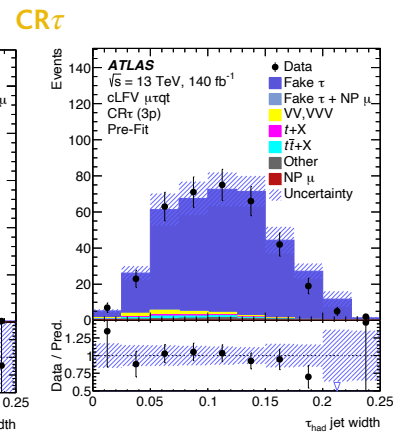
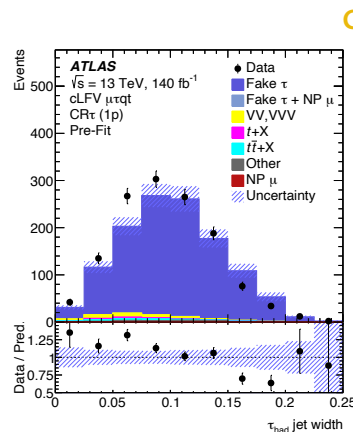
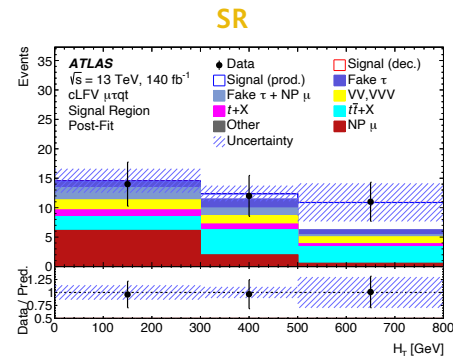
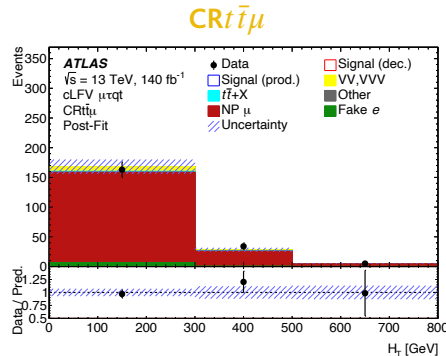
cLFV in top-quark production



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t-channel

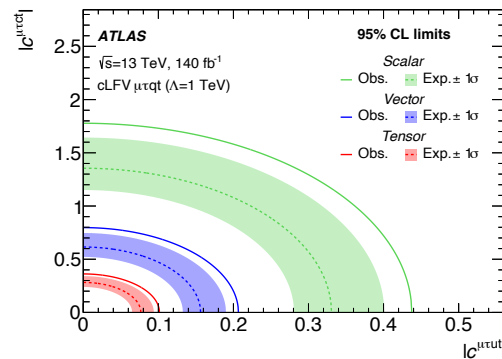
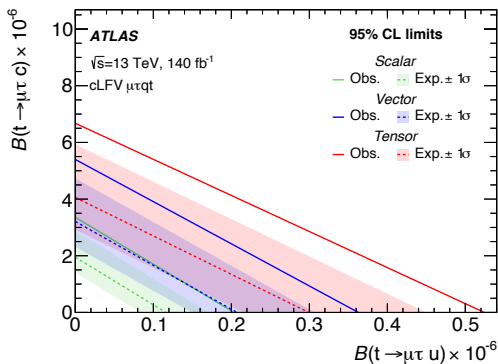
- **Signal Region (SR):**
 - $2\mu 1\tau_{\text{had}}$ (same-sign muons)
 - ≥ 1 jet (1 b -tagged)
- **Control Regions (CRs):**
 - $\text{CR}\tau$: data-driven corrections to fake τ_{had}
 - $\text{CR}t\bar{t}\mu$: NP muon background normalisation
- **Binned profile-likelihood fit over H_T across SR + $\text{CR}t\bar{t}\mu$ with systematic uncertainties**



- No significant excess above SM background
- Set first direct exclusion limit at 95% CL: $\mathcal{B}(t \rightarrow \mu\tau q) < 8.7 \times 10^{-7}$
- Improvement upon previous limits by up to a factor of 41

	95% CL upper limits on $ c /\Lambda^2$ [TeV ⁻²]					
	$c_{lq}^{*(ijk3)}$	$c_{eq}^{(ijk3)}$	$c_{lu}^{(ijk3)}$	$c_{eu}^{(ijk3)}$	$c_{lequ}^{1(ijk3)}$	$c_{lequ}^{3(ijk3)}$
Previous (u)	12	12	12	12	18	2.4
Expected (u)	0.33	0.31	0.3	0.32	0.33	0.08
Observed (u)	0.43	0.41	0.4	0.42	0.44	0.10
Previous (c)	14	14	14	14	21	2.6
Expected (c)	1.3	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.4	0.28
Observed (c)	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.8	0.36

$$*O_{lq}^- = O_{lq}^1 - O_{lq}^3$$

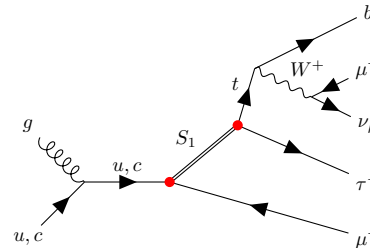


Results: leptoquark interpretation

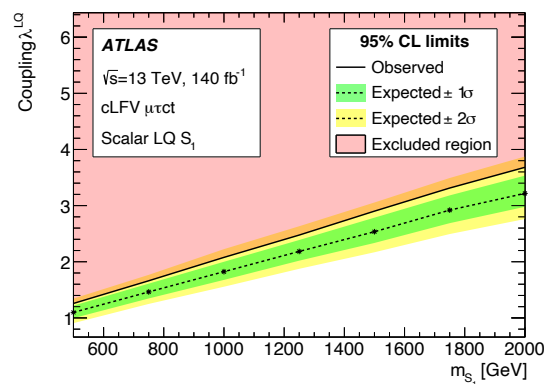
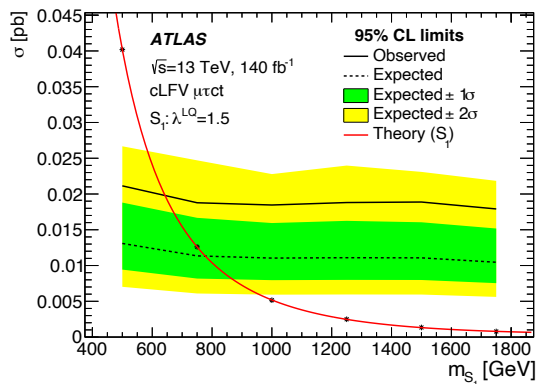
- Search for scalar leptoquark S_1 assuming fixed hierarchical couplings

$$\lambda_{ki} \in \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_{t\tau} & \lambda_{c\tau} & \lambda_{u\tau} \\ \lambda_{t\mu} & \lambda_{c\mu} & \lambda_{u\mu} \\ \lambda_{te} & \lambda_{ce} & \lambda_{ue} \end{pmatrix} \equiv \lambda^{\text{LQ}} \begin{pmatrix} 10 & 1 & 0.1 \\ 1 & 0.1 & 0.01 \\ 0.1 & 0.01 & 0.001 \end{pmatrix}$$

Resonant leptoquark production



- Upper limits on λ^{LQ} : 1.3 — 3.7 for masses between 0.5 and 2.0 TeV



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tHq FCNC
multi-lepton

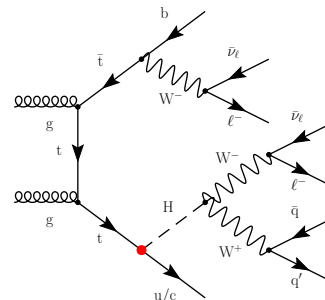
Motivation

- SM: FCNC interactions are forbidden at tree-level and highly suppressed at higher orders
- Branching ratios large enough to be measured in BSM models
- Experimental evidence of FCNC: clear sign of BSM physics

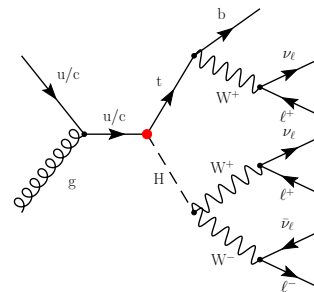
This search

- FCNC interactions of the top quark, the Higgs boson and a charm or up quark (tHq)
- Final states with 2 leptons of the same charge ($2\ell SS$) or with three leptons (3ℓ)
- Dominant Higgs decay in $2\ell SS$ and 3ℓ : $H \rightarrow V V^*$
- Model-independent EFT search
- Combination with other ATLAS Run 2 searches for tHq FCNC couplings in different final states
 - $H \rightarrow \tau^+ \tau^-$ [[JHEP 06 \(2022\) 155](#)]
 - $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$ [[JHEP 07 \(2023\) 199](#)]
 - $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ [[arXiv:2309.12817](#)]

FCNC in top decay ($2\ell SS$ final state)



FCNC in top production (3ℓ final state)



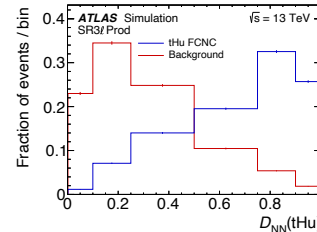
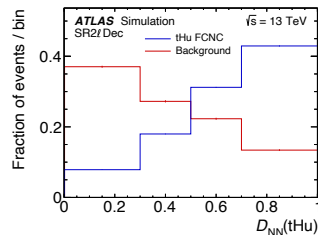
Definition of kinematic regions

- 2 SRs for 2ℓ SS and 2 SRs for 3ℓ focus on $t \rightarrow Hq$ decay or $q \rightarrow Ht$ production signal
- 3 CRs in 2ℓ SS and 4 CRs in 3ℓ final state for various bkg. processes (HF decay leptons, $t\bar{t}V$)

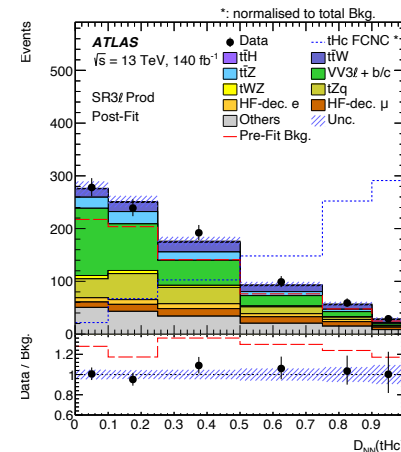
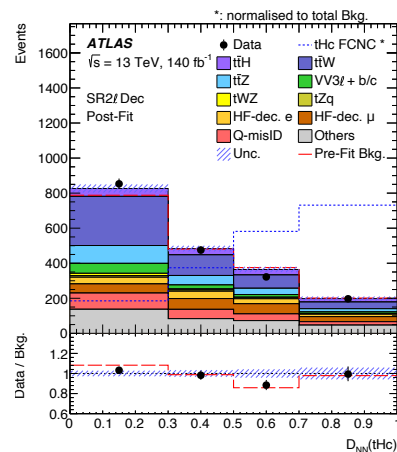
Event reconstruction + NN in SRs

- Recursive Jigsaw Reconstruction (2ℓ SS and 3ℓ)
- Neutrino Independent Combinatorics Estimator (3ℓ)
- Feed-forward Neural Networks
 - Reconstructed object variables as input
- Profile-Likelihood fit (simultaneously in all CRs and SRs)

NN discriminants



Post-fit plots



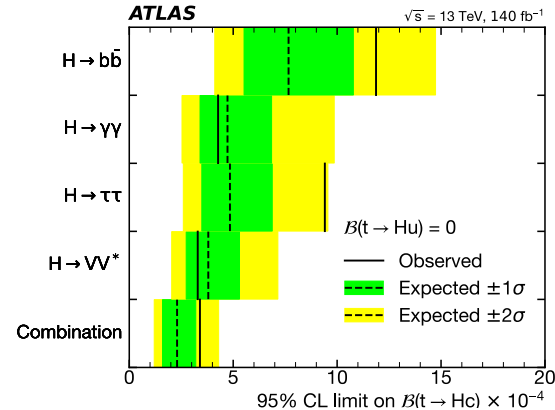
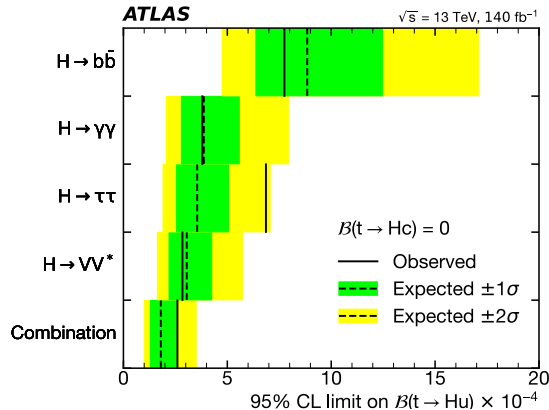
tHq results

- No observation of FCNC couplings
- Most stringent upper limits in multi-lepton final states

Signal	Observed (expected) 95% CL upper limits $\mathcal{B}(t \rightarrow Hq)$	95% CL upper limits $ C_{u\phi}^{qt, tq} $
tHu	2.8 (3.0) $\times 10^{-4}$	0.71 (0.73)
tHc	3.3 (3.8) $\times 10^{-4}$	0.76 (0.82)

Combination

- $\mathcal{B}^{(\text{comb})}(t \rightarrow Hu) < 2.6 (1.8) \times 10^{-4}$
- $\mathcal{B}^{(\text{comb})}(t \rightarrow Hc) < 3.4 (2.3) \times 10^{-4}$
- $C_{u\phi}^{ut, tu} < 0.68(0.56)$
- $C_{u\phi}^{ct, tc} < 0.78(0.64)$



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LFU test



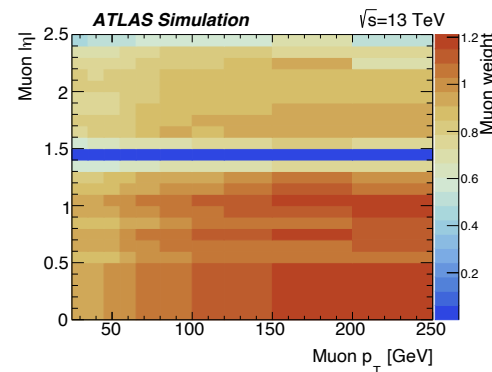
Motivation

- SM axiom: equality of e, μ, τ couplings to W boson
- Previous tests:
 - Tested in τ, π, K decays to 0.1-0.2%
 - Tested in real W decays in $e^+e^- \rightarrow WW, pp \rightarrow W, t\bar{t} \rightarrow WbWb$ to % level
 - Flavour anomalies: some tensions in $B \rightarrow D^{(*)}\tau$ vs. $B \rightarrow D^{(*)}\mu$

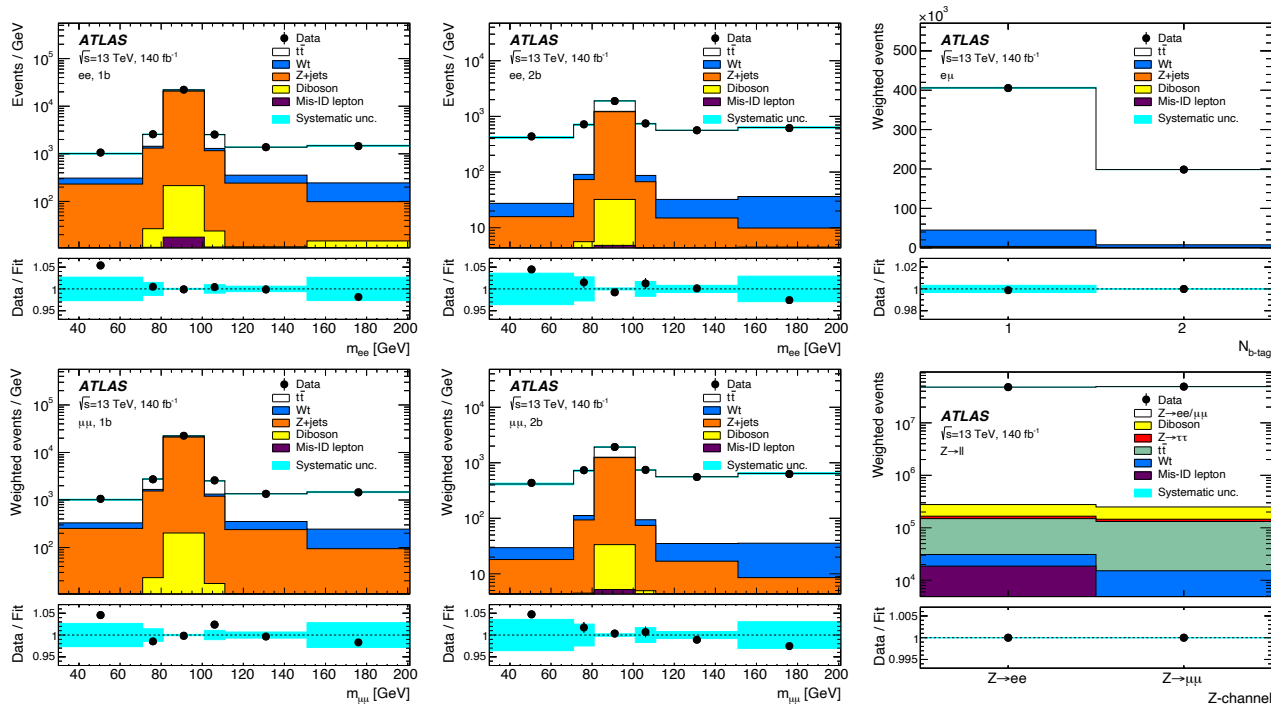
This measurement

- Simultaneous measurement of $\sigma_{i\bar{i}}$ in $ee, e\mu$ and $\mu\mu$ final states gives sensitivity to $R_W^{\mu e} = \frac{\mathcal{B}(W \rightarrow \mu\nu)}{\mathcal{B}(W \rightarrow e\nu)}$
- Strategy to reduce systematics:
 - Weight muons vs. (p_T, η) to give similar kinematic acceptance for ee and $\mu\mu$
 - Lepton isolation efficiency measured in data
 - Normalise $R_W^{\mu e}$ using $\sqrt{R_Z^{\mu\mu ee}}$ to reduce electron and muon efficiency systematics, measure $R_{WZ}^{\mu e}$

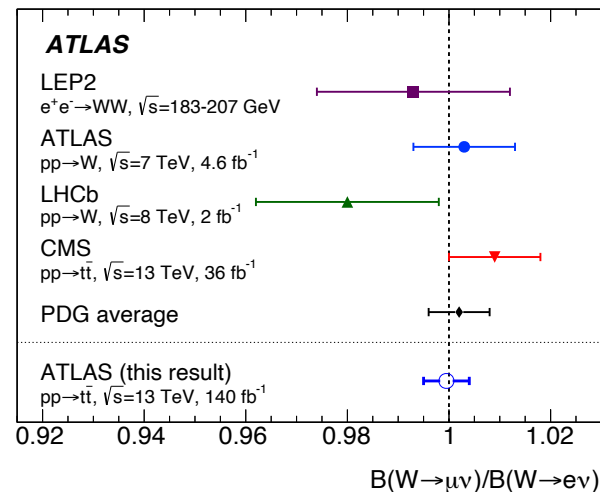
$$R_{WZ}^{\mu e} = \frac{R_W^{\mu e}}{\sqrt{R_Z^{\mu\mu ee}}} = \frac{\mathcal{B}(W \rightarrow \mu\nu)}{\mathcal{B}(W \rightarrow e\nu)} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{\mathcal{B}(Z \rightarrow ee)}{\mathcal{B}(Z \rightarrow \mu\mu)}}$$



- Fit numbers of dilepton events with 1 or 2 b -jets, vs $m_{\ell\ell}$ in $ee\ell\mu$ events
 - $m_{\ell\ell}$ exploited for Z +jets background separation
 - b -jet reconstruction and tagging are determined in data
- Fit number of inclusive $Z \rightarrow ee$ and $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$ events to measure $R_Z^{\mu\ell ee}$



- $\sigma_{t\bar{t}}$ measurement in agreement with previous results
- $R_Z^{\mu\mu le} = 0.9913 \pm 0.0002 \pm 0.0045$
 - 1.9σ below unity, similar to trend seen in other 13 TeV Z measurements
- $R_{WZ}^{\mu le} = 0.9990 \pm 0.0022 \pm 0.0036$
- Using external value of $R_Z^{\mu\mu le}$ from e^+e^- (LEP+SLD):
 - $R_{Z-ext}^{\mu\mu le} = 1.0009 \pm 0.0028$
 - Conversion: $R_W^{\mu le} = R_{WZ}^{\mu le} \sqrt{R_{Z-ext}^{\mu\mu le}}$
- $R_W^{\mu le} = 0.9995 \pm 0.0022$ (stat) ± 0.0036 (syst) ± 0.0014 (ext)
 - Total uncertainty: 0.0045
 - Most precise result to date (previous PDG average 1.002 ± 0.006)
 - No sign of lepton flavour violation



- ATLAS continues to take advantage of the LHC as top factory
- [Full programme](#) of ATLAS top physics results
- First direct search for cLFV $\mu\tau qt$ coupling
 - 2 interpretations: EFT and leptoquark
- Most stringent upper limits in tqH FCNC couplings in multi-lepton final states
 - Combination of several final states: $H \rightarrow VV^*$, $H \rightarrow \tau^+\tau^-$, $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$, $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$
- Most precise $R_W^{\mu/e}$ measurement to date
- Overall no disagreement with SM

Thank you for your attention!

A detailed black and white line drawing of a large, multi-story building with a prominent central dome and a smaller tower on top. The building is surrounded by trees and foliage, with some leaves appearing to be falling or blowing in the air. The drawing is rendered in a fine-line, etched style.

BACKUP

Top decay width

$$\Gamma(t \rightarrow \ell_i^+ \ell_j^- q_k) = \frac{m_t}{6144\pi^3} \left(\frac{m_t}{\Lambda}\right)^4 \left\{ 4 \left| c_{\text{q}}^{-(ijk3)} \right|^2 + 4 \left| c_{\text{eq}}^{(ijk3)} \right|^2 + 4 \left| c_{\text{lu}}^{(ijk3)} \right|^2 \right. \\ \left. + 4 \left| c_{\text{eu}}^{(ijk3)} \right|^2 + 2 \left| c_{\text{lequ}}^{1(ijk3)} \right|^2 + 96 \left| c_{\text{lequ}}^{3(ijk3)} \right|^2 \right\}$$

Cross-section for cLFV $t\bar{t}$ decay

$$\sigma_{\text{CLFV}} = 2 \cdot \sigma_{t\bar{t}} \cdot \mathcal{B}(t \rightarrow W(\rightarrow \ell\nu)b) \cdot \frac{\Gamma(t \rightarrow \ell_i^+ \ell_j^- q_k)}{\Gamma_t}$$

Common lepton selection

Preselection:	
Number of leptons	$N_\ell = 3, p_T > 10 \text{ GeV}, \eta < 2.5$
Leading muon / electron p_T	$p_T > 27 \text{ GeV}$
Trigger matching	≥ 1 trigger-matched muon / electron
Sum of lepton charges	$\sum q_i = \pm 1$

Theoretical cross-sections

	Cross-section $\sigma_{\text{scale}}^{+\text{scale}} \pm \text{PDF}$ [fb]		
	$c_{\text{vector}}^{(ijk3)}$	$c_{\text{lequ}}^{1(ijk3)}$	$c_{\text{lequ}}^{3(ijk3)}$
Production $\ell\ell'ut$	$118_{-19}^{+24} \pm 1$	$101_{-16}^{+21} \pm 1$	$2150_{-320}^{+410} \pm 20$
Production $\ell\ell'ct$	$7.9_{-1.0}^{+1.2} \pm 1.6$	$6.1_{-0.8}^{+1.0} \pm 1.5$	$153_{-18}^{+21} \pm 29$
Decay $\ell\ell'qkt$	$6.9_{-1.3}^{+1.8} \pm 0.1$	$3.46_{-0.66}^{+0.90} \pm 0.03$	$166_{-32}^{+43} \pm 2$

Region definitions

	SR	CRτ	CR$t\bar{t}\mu$
Lepton flavour	$2\mu 1\tau_{\text{had}}$		$2\mu 1e (\ell_3 = \mu)$
N_{jets}	≥ 1	≥ 2	≥ 1
$N_{b\text{-tags}}$	1	1	≤ 2
$\tau_{\text{had}} p_T$	$> 20 \text{ GeV}$	$> 20 \text{ GeV}$	–
Muon p_T	$> 15 \text{ GeV}$	$> 15 \text{ GeV}$	$> 10 \text{ GeV}$
Higher p_T muon	Tight	Tight	Tight
Lower p_T muon	Tight	Tight	Loose
Muon charges	SS	OS	–
$m_{\mu\mu}^{\text{OS}}$	–	–	$> 15 \text{ GeV}$
$ m_{\mu\mu}^{\text{OS}} - M_Z $	–	$< 10 \text{ GeV}$	$> 10 \text{ GeV}$
$3p_T^{\mu 1} + \sum m_{\ell\ell}^{\text{OS}}$	–	–	$< 400 \text{ GeV}$

Process	CR τ (1p)		CR τ (3p)	
Fake τ	1150	\pm 80	364	\pm 28
Fake τ + NP μ	1.6	\pm 1.2	0.3	\pm 0.5
WZ	22	\pm 7	6.5	\pm 2.0
ZZ	11	\pm 4	3.1	\pm 1.0
$t+X$	12.0	\pm 0.9	3.41	\pm 0.28
$i\bar{i}Z$	16	\pm 7	4.8	\pm 2.3
$i\bar{i}W$	0.65	\pm 0.34	0.25	\pm 0.15
$i\bar{i}H$	0.84	\pm 0.12	0.26	\pm 0.04
VVV	0.12	\pm 0.06	0.027	\pm 0.014
$i\bar{i}$ + NP μ	1.0	\pm 0.8	0.16	\pm 0.24
Z + NP μ	0.022	\pm 0.009	-	-
Other	17	\pm 9	6.1	\pm 3.1
Total	1230	\pm 90	389	\pm 30
Data	1324		373	

Process	SR		CR $i\bar{i}\mu$	
$i\bar{i}$ + NP μ	7.9	\pm 3.4	164	\pm 14
$i\bar{i}W$	3.5	\pm 1.8	1.2	\pm 0.6
$i\bar{i}H$	3.1	\pm 0.4	1.26	\pm 0.14
$i\bar{i}Z$	2.9	\pm 0.5	0.88	\pm 0.33
$t+X$	2.48	\pm 0.18	-	-
WZ	3.6	\pm 1.3	7.3	\pm 2.4
ZZ	0.59	\pm 0.22	1.8	\pm 0.6
VVV	0.01	\pm 0.05	0.47	\pm 0.24
Fake electron	-	-	7	\pm 4
Fake τ	3.3	\pm 0.4	-	-
Fake τ + NP μ	3.7	\pm 2.7	-	-
$t+X$ + NP μ	0.29	\pm 0.31	15	\pm 5
Z + NP μ	0.192	\pm 0.010	1.8	\pm 1.0
Other NP μ	0.051	\pm 0.010	-	-
Other	0.23	\pm 0.11	1.1	\pm 0.6
Signal ($i\bar{i}$)	0.19	\pm 0.14	0.025	\pm 0.019
Signal (single-top)	6	\pm 4	0.022	\pm 0.023
Total	38	\pm 5	201	\pm 14
Data	37		202	

	95% CL upper limits on $\mathcal{B}(t \rightarrow \mu\tau q)$ ($\times 10^{-7}$)					
	$c_{lq}^{-(ijk3)}$	$c_{eq}^{(ijk3)}$	$c_{lu}^{(ijk3)}$	$c_{eu}^{(ijk3)}$	$c_{lequ}^{1(ijk3)}$	$c_{lequ}^{3(ijk3)}$
Expected (u)	2.3	2.0	1.9	2.2	1.2	3.0
Observed (u)	4.0	3.6	3.3	3.8	2.0	5.2
Expected (c)	33	32	32	33	20	41
Observed (c)	56	54	53	54	34	67

	95% CL upper limits on $\mathcal{B}(t \rightarrow \mu\tau q)$	
	Stat. uncertainty	Stat.+syst. uncertainties
Expected	4.6×10^{-7}	5.0×10^{-7}
Observed	8.2×10^{-7}	8.7×10^{-7}

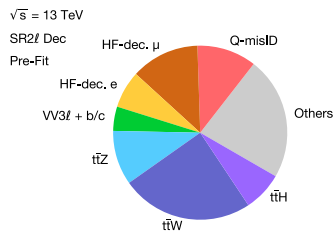
Preselection	
N_{jets}	≥ 1
$N_{b\text{-tags}}$	≥ 1
$p_{\text{T}}(\text{jet})$	$\geq 20 \text{ GeV}$
$p_{\text{T}}(\ell)$	$\geq 10 \text{ GeV}$
$p_{\text{T}}(\ell_0)$	$\geq 28 \text{ GeV}$
	$2\ell\text{SS} \quad 3\ell$
N_{ℓ}	$= 2 \quad = 3$
$\sum q(\ell_i)$	$= \pm 2e \quad = \pm 1e$

	SR2 ℓ Dec	SR2 ℓ Prod	SR3 ℓ Dec	SR3 ℓ Prod
N_{jets}	≥ 4	≤ 3	≥ 3	≤ 2
$N_{b\text{-tags}}$	$= 1$	$= 1$	$= 1$	$= 1$
$p_{\text{T}}(\ell_1)$	$\geq 12 \text{ GeV}$	$\geq 16 \text{ GeV}$	$\geq 20 \text{ GeV}$	$\geq 20 \text{ GeV}$
$p_{\text{T}}(\ell_2)$	–	–	$\geq 16 \text{ GeV}$	$\geq 16 \text{ GeV}$
$ m(e, e) - m_{\text{Z}} $	$\geq 10 \text{ GeV}$	$\geq 10 \text{ GeV}$	–	–

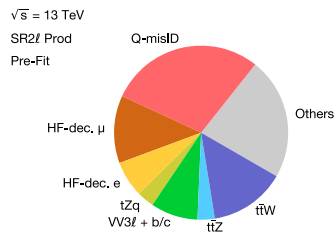
	CR2 $\ell\bar{t}\bar{t}V$	CR3 $\ell\bar{t}\bar{t}W$	CR3 $\ell\bar{t}\bar{t}Z$
N_{jets}	≥ 4	≥ 2	≥ 2
$N_{b\text{-tags}}$	$= 2$	$= 2$	$= 2$
ℓ_0 flavour	μ	–	–
$p_{\text{T}}(\ell_1)$	$\geq 18 \text{ GeV}$	$\geq 20 \text{ GeV}$	$\geq 20 \text{ GeV}$
$p_{\text{T}}(\ell_2)$	–	$\geq 16 \text{ GeV}$	$\geq 16 \text{ GeV}$
$ m(\ell^+, \ell^-) - m_{\text{Z}} $	–	$\geq 10 \text{ GeV}$	$< 10 \text{ GeV}$

	CR2 ℓHFe	CR2 $\ell\text{HF}\mu$	CR3 ℓHFe	CR3 $\ell\text{HF}\mu$
N_{jets}	≤ 3	≤ 3	≥ 1	≥ 1
$N_{b\text{-tags}}$	≥ 1	≥ 1	$= 1$	$= 1$
ℓ_0 flavour	μ	μ	–	–
ℓ_1 flavour	e	μ	–	–
$p_{\text{T}}(\ell_1)$	$< 16 \text{ GeV}$	$< 16 \text{ GeV}$	$\geq 20 \text{ GeV}$	$\geq 20 \text{ GeV}$
ℓ_2 flavour	–	–	e	μ
$p_{\text{T}}(\ell_2)$	–	–	$< 16 \text{ GeV}$	$< 16 \text{ GeV}$

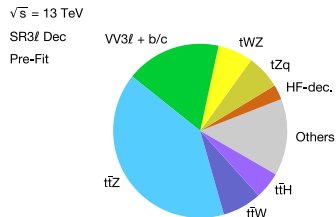
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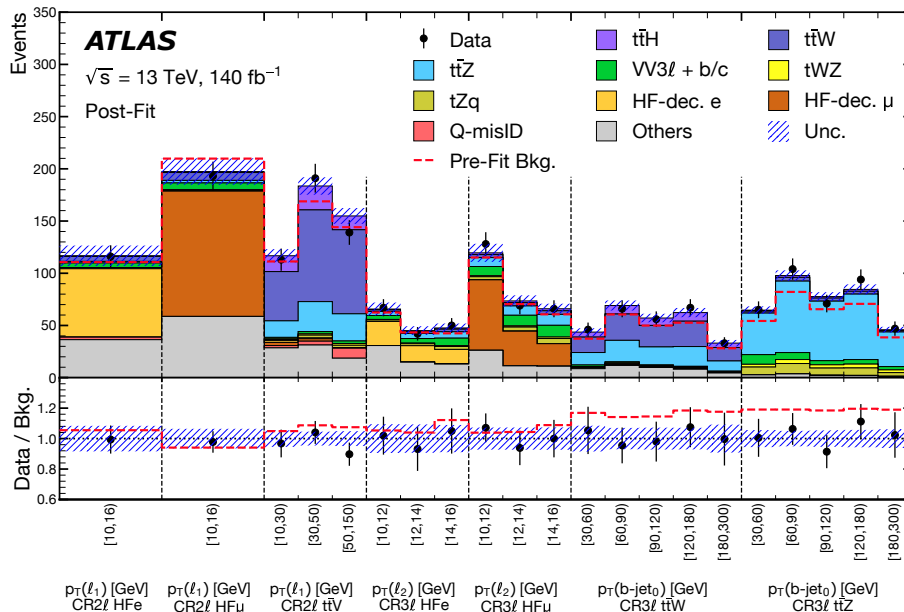
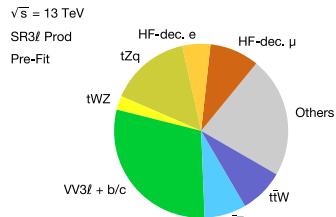
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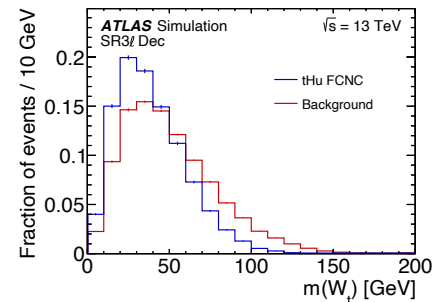
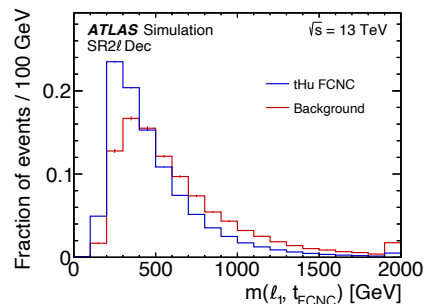
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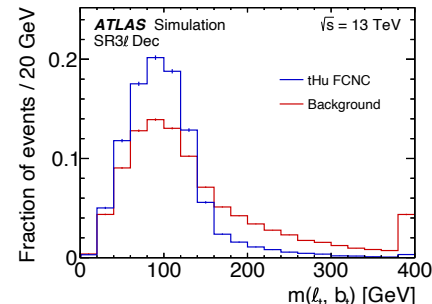
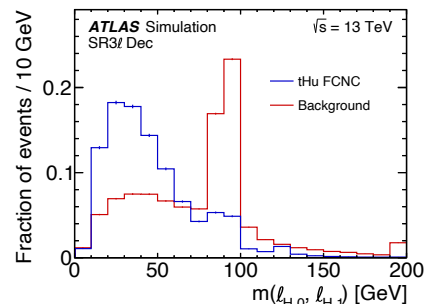
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Regions	Particle name	Description
	t_{SM}	The top quark decaying via $t \rightarrow Wb$
SR2/Dec/	W_t	The W boson from the SM top-quark decay
SR3/Dec	t_{FCNC}	The top quark decaying via $t \rightarrow Hq$
	H	The Higgs boson originating from th FCNC top-quark decay
SR2/Dec	W_{had}	The hadronically decaying W boson from the $H \rightarrow WW^*$ decay
SR2/Prod/	t_{SM}	The top quark produced in the $gq \rightarrow Ht$ process
SR3/Prod	W_t	The W boson from the top-quark decay
	H	The Higgs boson produced in the $gq \rightarrow Ht$ process

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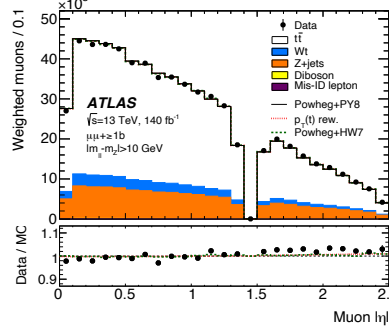
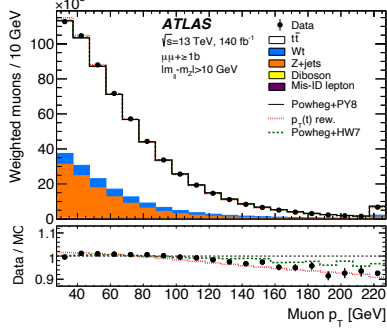
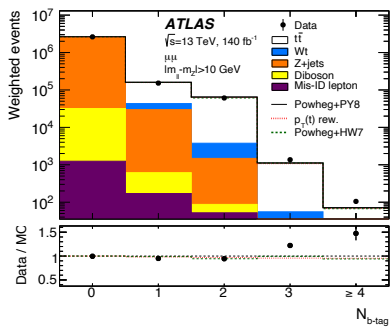
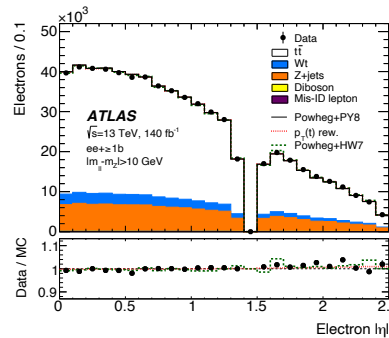
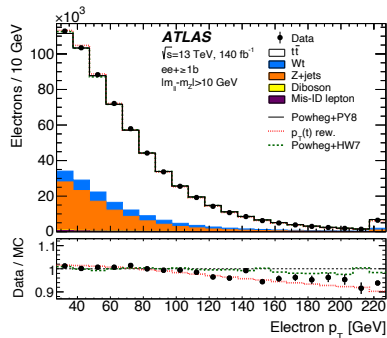
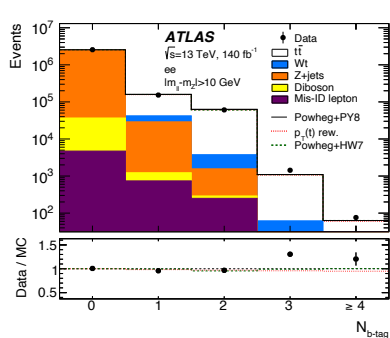
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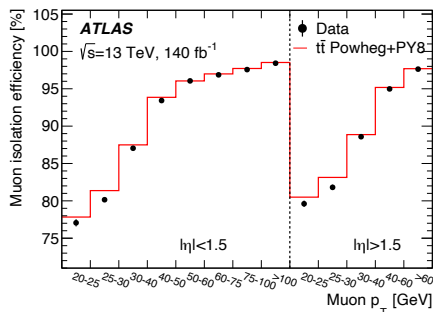
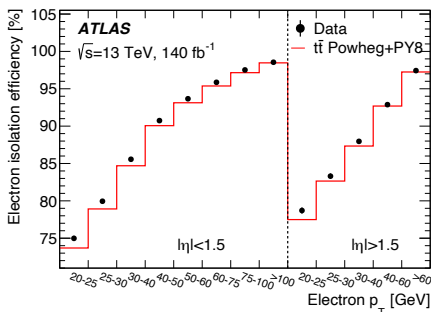
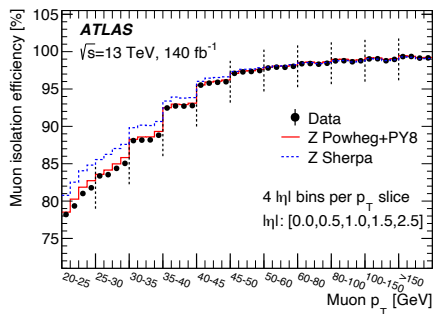
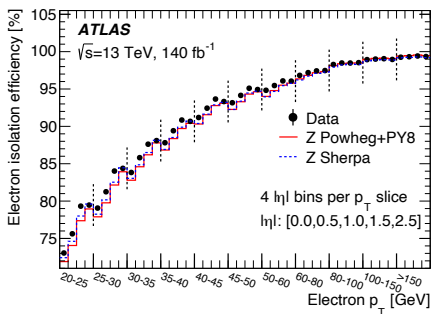
Process	SR2 ℓ Dec	SR2 ℓ Prod	CR2 ℓ HFe	CR2 ℓ HF μ	CR2 ℓ t \bar{t} V
HF-decay e	122 \pm 27	113 \pm 25	66 \pm 13	–	2.9 \pm 0.9
HF-decay μ	201 \pm 36	192 \pm 35	0.1 \pm 0.02	120 \pm 22	5.6 \pm 1.2
Q-misID	204 \pm 16	457 \pm 35	2.4 \pm 0.2	–	15.5 \pm 1.4
$t\bar{t}H$	132 \pm 20	27 \pm 5	0.6 \pm 0.1	1.0 \pm 0.2	51 \pm 8
$t\bar{t}W$	512 \pm 61	285 \pm 42	4.8 \pm 0.9	7.5 \pm 1.4	216 \pm 24
$t\bar{t}Z$	210 \pm 21	66 \pm 9	1.5 \pm 0.2	2.4 \pm 0.4	70 \pm 6
VV 3 ℓ +b/c	104 \pm 20	192 \pm 32	4.7 \pm 1.0	6.6 \pm 1.4	6.0 \pm 1.2
tWZ	23 \pm 7	12 \pm 4	0.11 \pm 0.04	0.17 \pm 0.06	3.6 \pm 1.1
tZq	26 \pm 8	63 \pm 18	0.7 \pm 0.2	1.1 \pm 0.3	5.8 \pm 1.7
Others	340 \pm 64	322 \pm 46	36 \pm 8	59 \pm 20	79 \pm 14
Pre-fit BG	1845 \pm 91	1585 \pm 70	111 \pm 11	210 \pm 32	424 \pm 22
Post-fit BG	1874 \pm 38	1729 \pm 36	117 \pm 10	198 \pm 12	455 \pm 17
$t\bar{t}(t \rightarrow Hu)$	207 \pm 22	181 \pm 10	3.4 \pm 0.3	5.4 \pm 0.7	6.8 \pm 0.6
$ug \rightarrow Ht$	31 \pm 4	68 \pm 2	1.2 \pm 0.1	2.1 \pm 0.2	1.1 \pm 0.1
$t\bar{t}(t \rightarrow Hc)$	196 \pm 22	180 \pm 10	3.5 \pm 0.4	5.9 \pm 0.7	13.4 \pm 1.5
$cg \rightarrow Ht$	5 \pm 1	11 \pm 1	0.2 \pm 0.1	0.4 \pm 0.1	0.2 \pm 0.1
Data	1847	1723	116	193	443

3 ℓ channel

Process	SR3 ℓ Prod	SR3 ℓ Dec	CR3 ℓ t $\bar{t}W$	CR3 ℓ t $\bar{t}Z$	CR3 ℓ HFe	CR3 ℓ HF μ
HF-decay e	38 \pm 9	14 \pm 3	1.3 \pm 0.3	0.28 \pm 0.09	53 \pm 11	–
HF-decay μ	63 \pm 11	22 \pm 4	1.6 \pm 0.3	0.37 \pm 0.08	0.2 \pm 0.1	122 \pm 19
Q-misID	–	–	–	–	–	–
$t\bar{t}H$	10 \pm 2	47 \pm 7	32 \pm 5	6.7 \pm 1.1	3.0 \pm 0.5	5.2 \pm 0.9
$t\bar{t}W$	77 \pm 12	80 \pm 10	98 \pm 16	12.5 \pm 1.6	5.8 \pm 1.0	9.5 \pm 1.4
$t\bar{t}Z$	75 \pm 11	438 \pm 40	78 \pm 7	261 \pm 20	14.7 \pm 1.8	28 \pm 3
VV 3 ℓ +b/c	296 \pm 49	215 \pm 39	4.8 \pm 0.9	27 \pm 5	15 \pm 3	30 \pm 5
tWZ	19 \pm 6	57 \pm 18	2.9 \pm 0.9	16 \pm 5	1.9 \pm 0.6	3.6 \pm 1.1
tZq	134 \pm 38	69 \pm 20	3.5 \pm 1.0	35 \pm 10	6.1 \pm 1.8	12 \pm 3
Others	171 \pm 32	119 \pm 23	43 \pm 7	11.7 \pm 1.5	59 \pm 8	48 \pm 9
Pre-fit BG	710 \pm 48	941 \pm 42	228 \pm 17	312 \pm 19	148 \pm 11	248 \pm 16
Post-fit BG	882 \pm 28	1061 \pm 28	265 \pm 14	371 \pm 17	159 \pm 10	258 \pm 14
$t\bar{t}(t \rightarrow Hu)$	26 \pm 2	39 \pm 3	1.2 \pm 0.2	0.7 \pm 0.1	4.6 \pm 0.5	8.0 \pm 0.8
$ug \rightarrow Ht$	14 \pm 1	7 \pm 1	0.4 \pm 0.1	0.2 \pm 0.1	1.2 \pm 0.1	2.1 \pm 0.2
$t\bar{t}(t \rightarrow Hc)$	27 \pm 2	37 \pm 3	4.3 \pm 0.4	1.5 \pm 0.1	4.4 \pm 0.5	7.8 \pm 0.7
$cg \rightarrow Ht$	2 \pm 1	1 \pm 1	0.1 \pm 0.1	0.1 \pm 0.1	0.2 \pm 0.1	0.4 \pm 0.1
Data	896	1046	268	381	159	263

Object selection		
Electrons	$p_T > 27.3 \text{ GeV}, \eta < 1.37 \text{ or } 1.52 < \eta < 2.47$	
Muons	$p_T > 27.3 \text{ GeV}, \eta < 2.5$	
b -tagged jets	$p_T > 30.0 \text{ GeV}, \eta < 2.5, b$ -tagging DL1r 70%	
Event selection	$t\bar{t} \rightarrow \ell\bar{\ell}b\bar{b}\nu\bar{\nu}$	$Z \rightarrow \ell\ell$
Dilepton flavour ($\ell^+\ell^-$)	$ee, e\mu, \mu\mu$	$ee, \mu\mu$
Dilepton invariant mass	$m_{\ell\ell} > 30 \text{ GeV}$	$66 \text{ GeV} < m_{\ell\ell} < 116 \text{ GeV}$
b -tagged jet multiplicity	1 or 2	-





$t\bar{t}$ selection

Event counts	$N_{1,\text{off-Z}}^{ee}$	$N_{1,\text{on-Z}}^{ee}$	$N_1^{e\mu}$	$N_{1,\text{off-Z}}^{\mu\mu}$	$N_{1,\text{on-Z}}^{\mu\mu}$
Data	222304	442108	405437	223085	448105
$t\bar{t}$	154800 ± 1700	24830 ± 850	361000 ± 4200	152500 ± 1800	24070 ± 860
Wt	17500 ± 1600	2770 ± 240	41500 ± 3800	17800 ± 1700	2730 ± 250
Z+jets	46880 ± 400	410700 ± 2000	859 ± 21	51010 ± 780	418000 ± 2000
Diboson	770 ± 160	3940 ± 840	790 ± 280	770 ± 160	3880 ± 830
Mis-ID leptons	1300 ± 500	360 ± 260	1740 ± 610	390 ± 150	172 ± 87
Total prediction	221280 ± 550	442600 ± 1100	405900 ± 1800	222390 ± 670	448900 ± 1100

Event counts	$N_{2,\text{off-Z}}^{ee}$	$N_{2,\text{on-Z}}^{ee}$	$N_2^{e\mu}$	$N_{2,\text{off-Z}}^{\mu\mu}$	$N_{2,\text{on-Z}}^{\mu\mu}$
Data	85936	37704	198502	86169	38512
$t\bar{t}$	79750 ± 920	13340 ± 480	191000 ± 1800	79770 ± 830	13180 ± 450
Wt	2860 ± 760	400 ± 110	6700 ± 1600	2940 ± 740	423 ± 90
Z+jets	2675 ± 68	23610 ± 590	78 ± 2	3095 ± 87	24110 ± 600
Diboson	67 ± 23	550 ± 110	29 ± 8	71 ± 30	570 ± 110
Mis-ID leptons	400 ± 290	96 ± 59	720 ± 520	350 ± 160	104 ± 56
Total prediction	85760 ± 360	38000 ± 190	198510 ± 440	86230 ± 300	38380 ± 210

Inclusive $Z \rightarrow \ell\ell$ selection

Event counts	$Z \rightarrow ee$	$Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$
Data	47898836	49016812
$Z \rightarrow \ell\ell$	47621000 ± 33000	48767000 ± 29000
Diboson	111000 ± 22000	104000 ± 21000
$Z \rightarrow \tau\tau$	16850 ± 140	13780 ± 110
$t\bar{t}$	119000 ± 14000	117000 ± 14000
Wt	12380 ± 890	12390 ± 880
Mis-ID leptons	19000 ± 18000	3000 ± 13000
Total prediction	47898800 ± 6900	49016800 ± 6200

Uncertainty [%]	$\sigma_{t\bar{t}}$	$\sigma_{Z\rightarrow\ell\ell}$	$R_{WZ}^{\mu/e}$	$R_Z^{\mu\mu/ee}$
Data statistics	0.13	0.01	0.22	0.02
$t\bar{t}$ modelling	1.68	0.03	0.10	0.00
Top-quark p_T modelling	1.42	0.00	0.06	0.00
Parton distribution functions	0.67	0.68	0.15	0.03
Single-top modelling	0.65	0.00	0.05	0.00
Single-top/ $t\bar{t}$ interference	0.54	0.00	0.09	0.00
Z(+jets) modelling	0.06	0.73	0.13	0.20
Diboson modelling	0.05	0.04	0.01	0.00
Electron energy scale/resolution	0.05	0.06	0.10	0.11
Electron identification	0.10	0.07	0.04	0.13
Electron charge misidentification	0.06	0.06	0.01	0.13
Electron isolation	0.09	0.02	0.08	0.04
Muon momentum scale/resolution	0.04	0.02	0.06	0.04
Muon identification	0.18	0.12	0.11	0.23
Muon isolation	0.09	0.01	0.07	0.01
Lepton trigger	0.09	0.12	0.01	0.23
Jet energy scale/resolution	0.08	0.00	0.03	0.00
b -tagging efficiency/mistag	0.14	0.00	0.00	0.00
Misidentified leptons	0.17	0.02	0.15	0.05
Simulation statistics	0.04	0.00	0.06	0.00
Integrated luminosity	0.93	0.83	0.00	0.00
Beam energy	0.23	0.09	0.00	0.00
Total uncertainty	2.66	1.32	0.42	0.45

Cross-section results

- $\sigma_{i\bar{i}} = 809.5 \pm 1.1 \pm 20.1 \pm 7.5 \pm 1.9 \text{ pb}$
- $\sigma_{Z \rightarrow \ell\ell} = 2019.4 \pm 0.2 \pm 20.7 \pm 16.8 \pm 1.8 \text{ pb}$
- $\sigma_{Z \rightarrow \ell\ell}^{\text{fid}} = 774.7 \pm 0.1 \pm 1.8 \pm 6.4 \pm 0.7 \text{ pb}$

Ratio of the number of events

