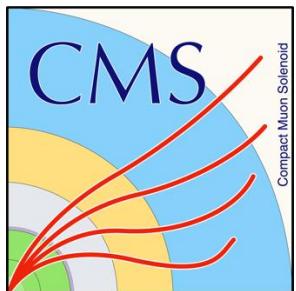


Multi-boson Highlights and Electroweak Summary

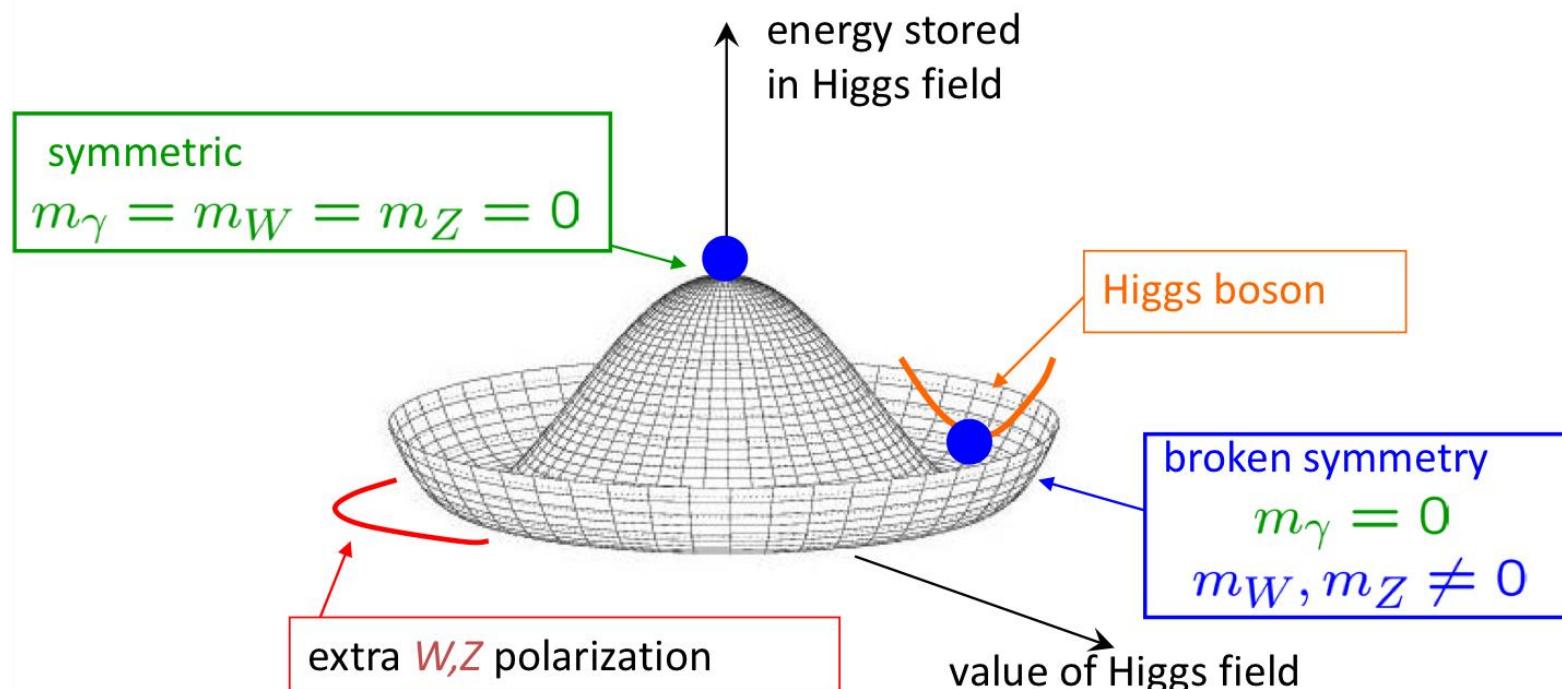


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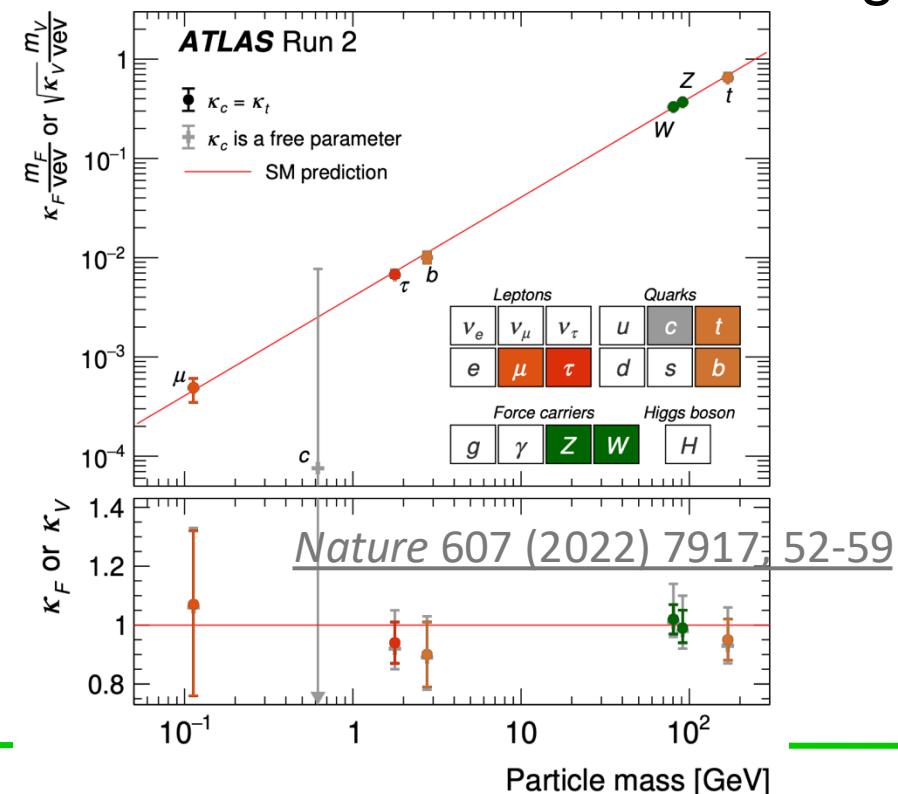
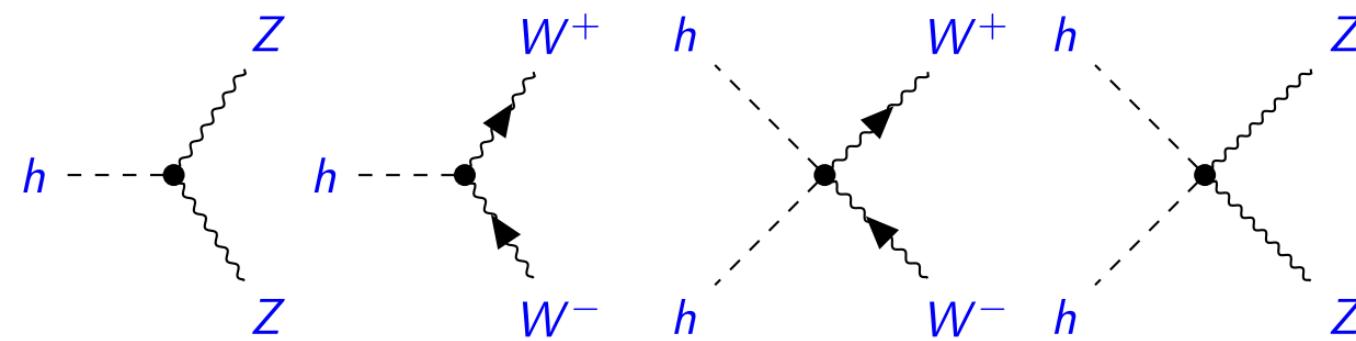
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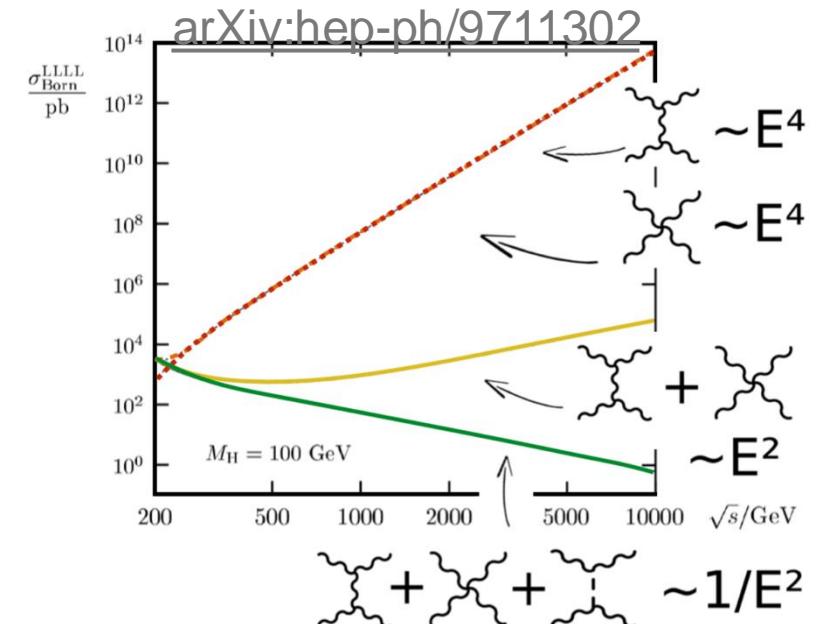
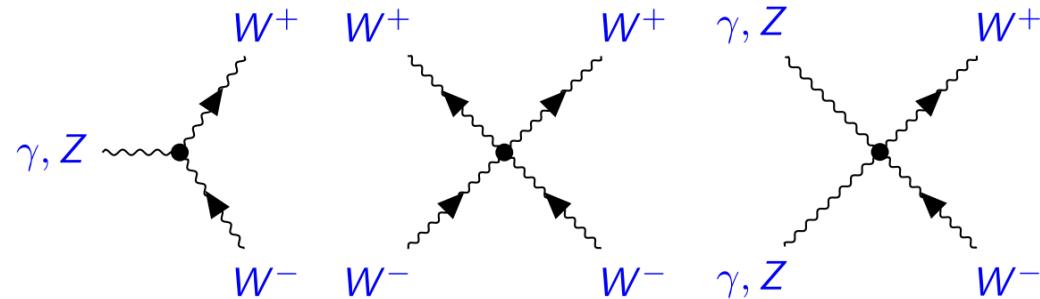
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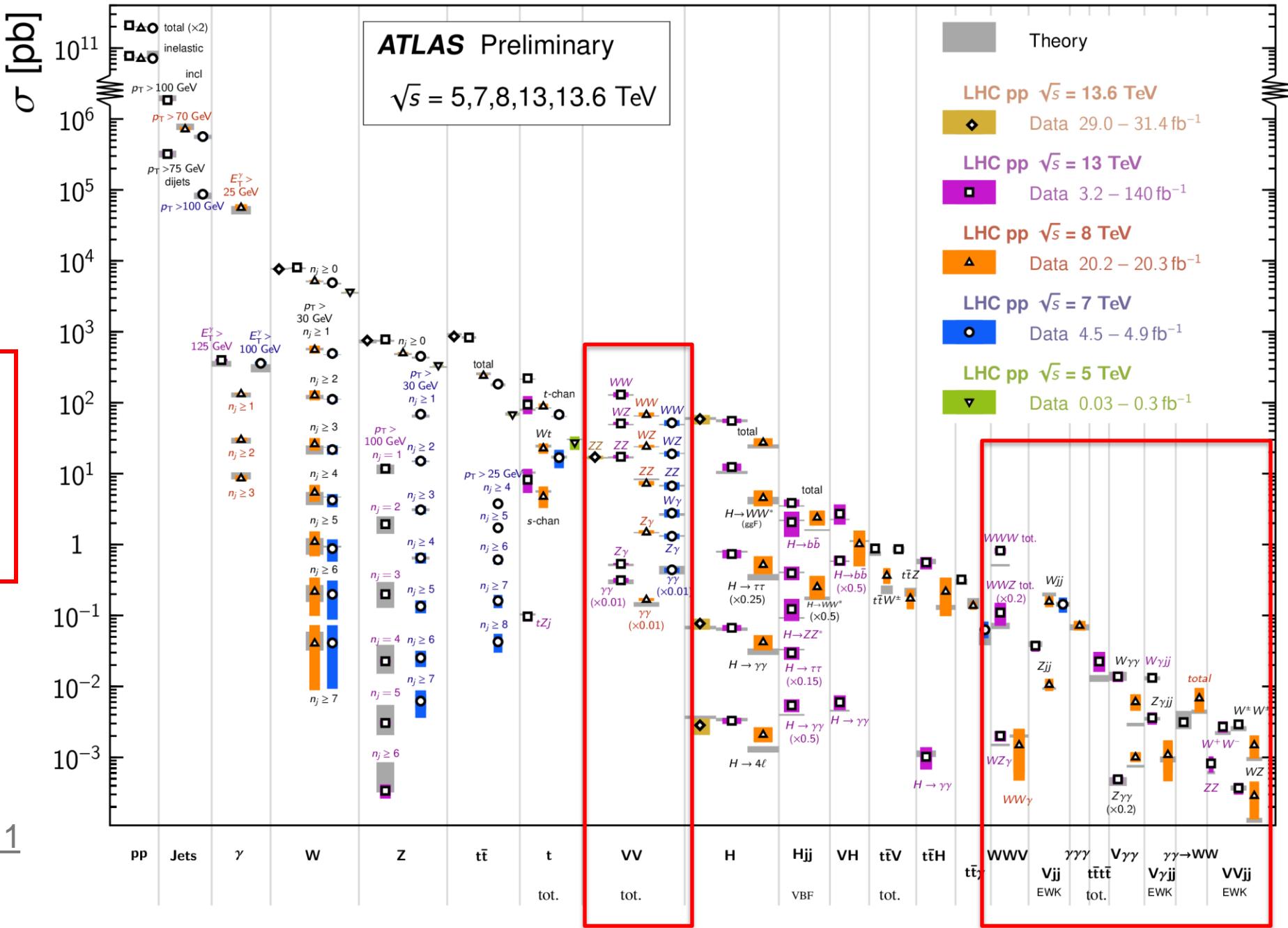


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 - Gauge boson self-couplings: unique windows to new physics beyond the SM
 - Anomalous triple gauge couplings
 - Anomalous quartic gauge couplings
 - Unitarity violation in $V_L V_L \rightarrow V_L V_L$ scattering



Standard Model Production Cross Section Measurements



Selected recent highlights

- Legacy measurement from **Full Run2**

Only show new results released after CLHCP 2023

13 TeV		
Diboson (VV)	WZ polarization	ATLAS, PRL133 (2024) 101802
	$Z(vv)\gamma$ and aTGC	CMS, SMP-22-009
Triboson(VVV)	$WZ\gamma$	CMS, SMP-22-018
VBS (VVjj)	$W^\pm W^\mp jj$ observation	ATLAS, JHEP 07 (2024) 254
	$W\gamma jj$ observation	ATLAS, EPJC 84 (2024) 1064
	$W^\pm W^\pm jj$ differential	ATLAS, JHEP 04 (2024) 026
	$W^\pm Z jj$ differential	ATLAS, JHEP 06 (2024) 192

- Fresh measurements from **early Run3**

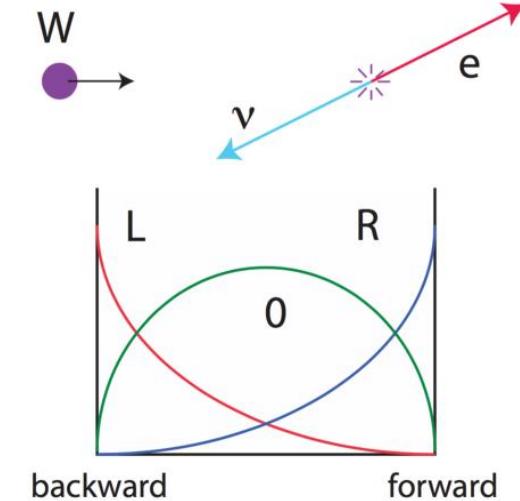
13.6 TeV		
Diboson (VV)	WW differential	CMS, arXiv:2406.05101
	WZ	CMS, SMP-24-005

Legacy measurements from Full Run2

Diboson polarization

- Diboson polarization measurements have gained increasing interest in both the theory and experiment community in recent years
 - Important probes of the EWK and Higgs sectors
 - Theory predictions already challenging beyond the Leading Order
 - Novel sensitivity to BSM
 - Closely connected to Quantum Entanglement
- Recent measurements
 - $pp \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 4l$, ATLAS [JHEP 12 \(2023\) 107](#) ($Z_L Z_L$ measured with 4.3σ)
 - $pp \rightarrow WZ \rightarrow llvv$, ATLAS [PLB 843 \(2023\) 137895](#) ($W_L Z_L$ observed with 7.1σ), CMS [JHEP 07 \(2022\) 032](#) ($W_L Z_L$ observed with 5.6σ)
 - $pp \rightarrow W^\pm W^\pm jj$ VBS, CMS [Phys. Lett. B 812 \(2020\) 136018](#) ($W_L W_X$ measured with 2.3σ)

	SM	BSM
$q_{L,R} \bar{q}_{L,R} \rightarrow V_L V_L(h)$	~ 1	$\sim E^2/M^2$
$q_{L,R} \bar{q}_{L,R} \rightarrow V_\pm V_L(h)$	$\sim m_W/E$	$\sim m_W E/M^2$
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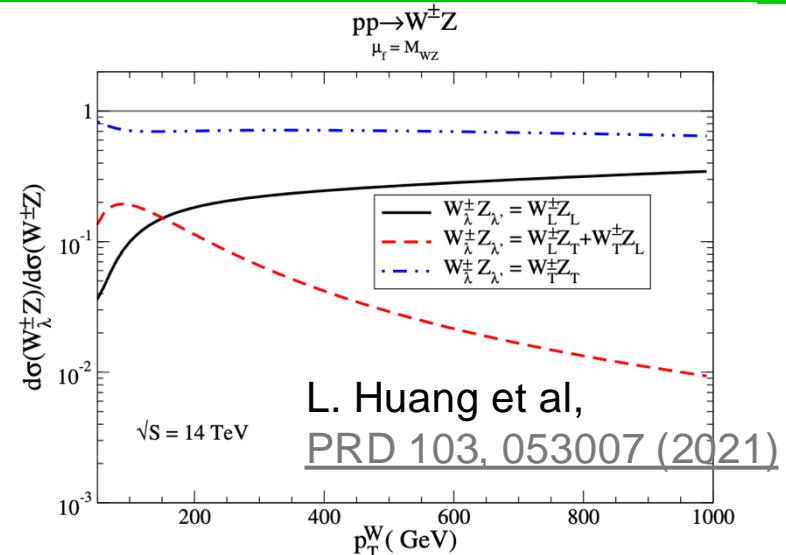
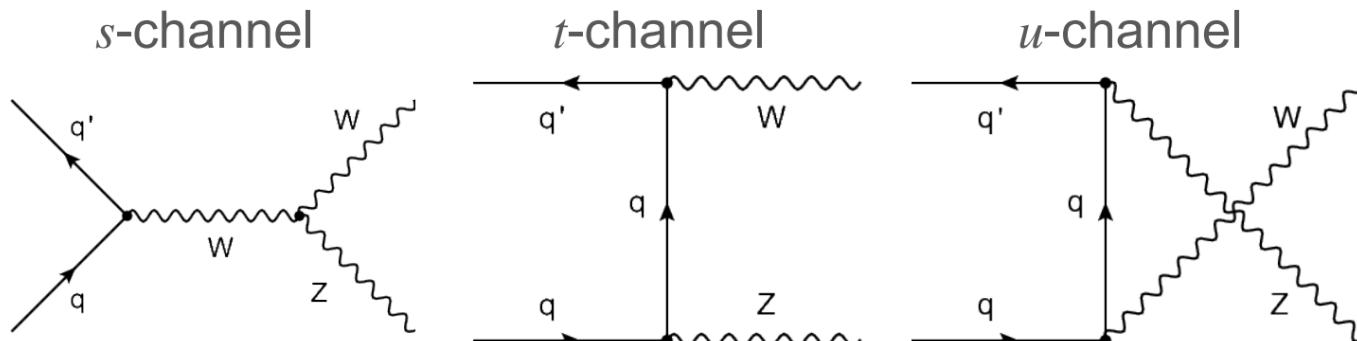


F. Riva et al, [arXiv:1712.01310](#)

Energy Dependence and the Radiation Amplitude Zero Effect

- Polarization fraction is p_T dependent
- RAZ effect**: at leading-order, the dominant helicity amplitude for $T\bar{T}$ vanishes when $\cos \theta_V \sim 0$
- RAZ **only** happens for WZ and $W\gamma$ processes and **not** for WW and ZZ processes
 - Observed in $W\gamma$ but not in WZ yet

$$\frac{d^2\sigma_{WZ}^{LL}}{d^2\sigma_{WZ}^{TT}} \sim \frac{1}{8 \cos^2 \theta_V} \frac{1 - \cos^2 \theta_V}{1 + \cos^2 \theta_V}$$



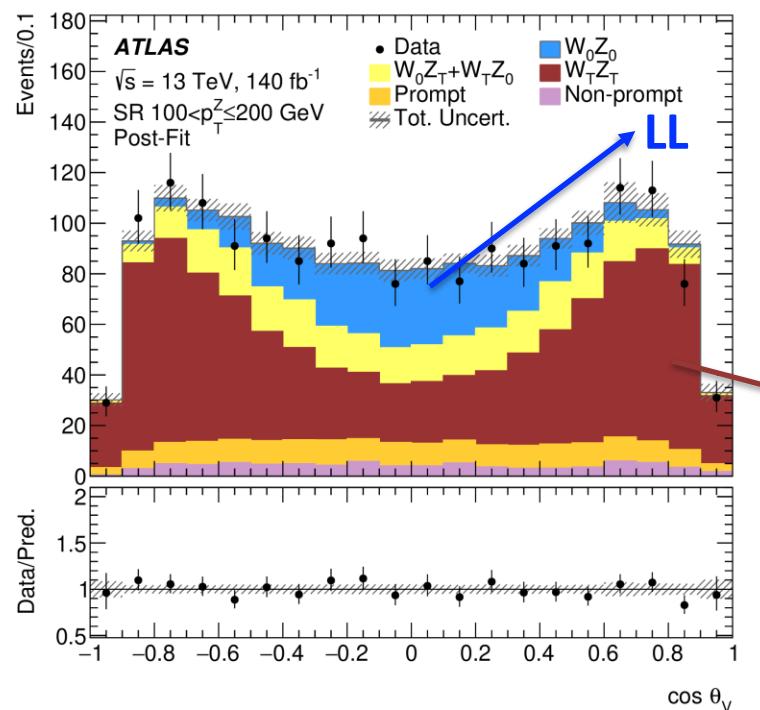
- High $p_T(Z)$ region enhances the LL fraction
- Low $p_T(WZ)$ region suppresses jet activity thus enhances the RAZ effect \rightarrow also enhancing the LL fraction

f_{LL} increases from 5 – 7% in the inclusive region to 20 – 30% in the region with high $p_T(Z)$ and low $p_T(WZ)$

Observation of WZ pol. and the Radiation Amplitude Zero effect

Measurement

	$100 < p_T^Z \leq 200 \text{ GeV}$	$p_T^Z > 200 \text{ GeV}$
f_{00}	$0.19 \pm^{0.03}_{0.03} (\text{stat}) \pm^{0.02}_{0.02} (\text{syst})$	$0.13 \pm^{0.09}_{0.08} (\text{stat}) \pm^{0.02}_{0.02} (\text{syst})$
f_{0T+T0}	$0.18 \pm^{0.07}_{0.08} (\text{stat}) \pm^{0.05}_{0.06} (\text{syst})$	$0.23 \pm^{0.17}_{0.18} (\text{stat}) \pm^{0.06}_{0.10} (\text{syst})$
f_{TT}	$0.63 \pm^{0.05}_{0.05} (\text{stat}) \pm^{0.04}_{0.04} (\text{syst})$	$0.64 \pm^{0.12}_{0.12} (\text{stat}) \pm^{0.06}_{0.06} (\text{syst})$
f_{00} obs (exp) sig.	$5.2 (4.3) \sigma$	$1.6 (2.5) \sigma$

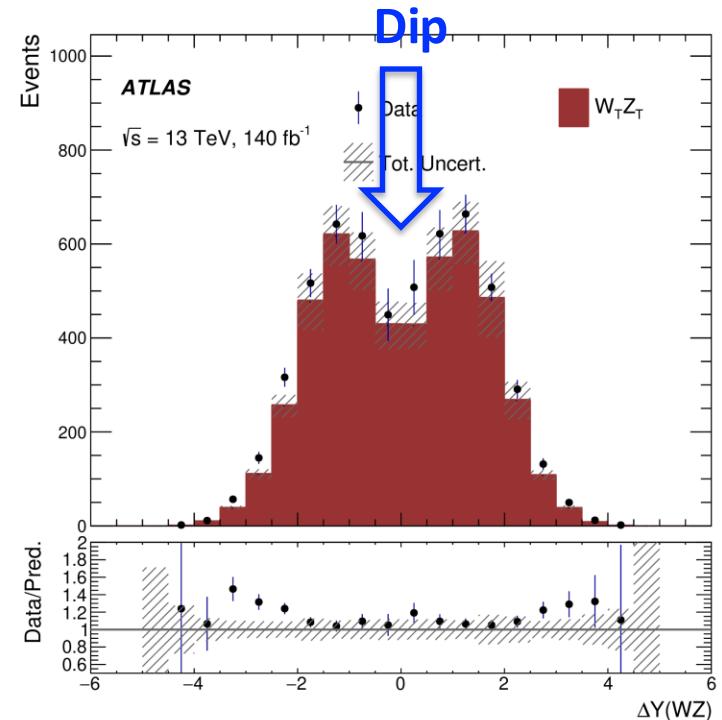


First measurement of energy dependence of diboson polarization

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See more details in Zhenyu Zhao's talk (Friday afternoon)

ATLAS, PRL133 (2024) 101802

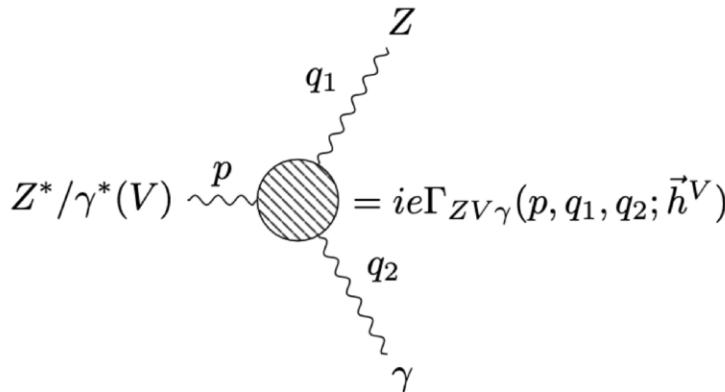


- RAZ effect leads to a dip around 0 in the $\Delta Y(WZ)$ and $\Delta Y(l_W Z)$ distributions
- Significant dips are observed
- Unfolded distributions also measured

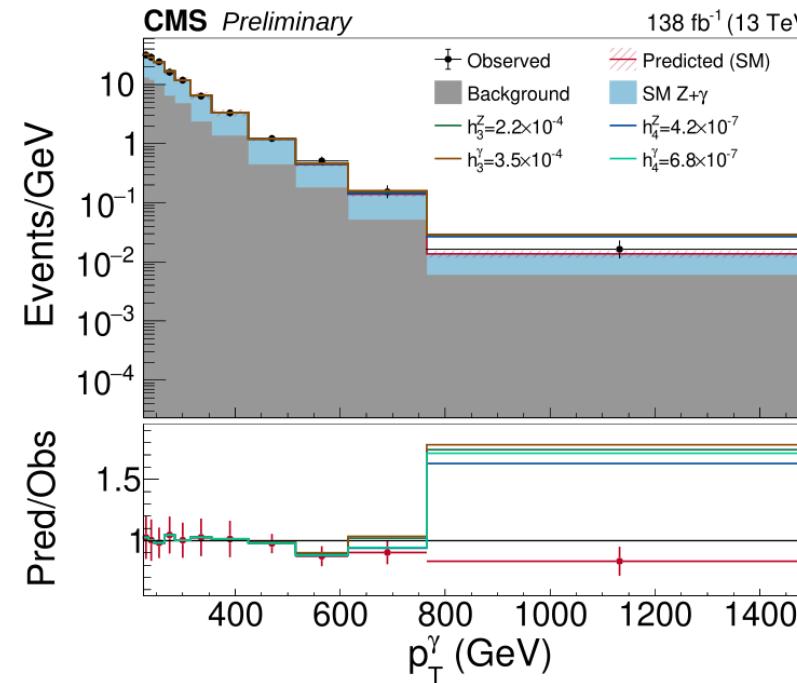
$Z(\nu\nu)\gamma$ measurement and aTGC

CMS, SMP-22-009

- $Z\gamma$ production sensitive to anomalous neutral TGC

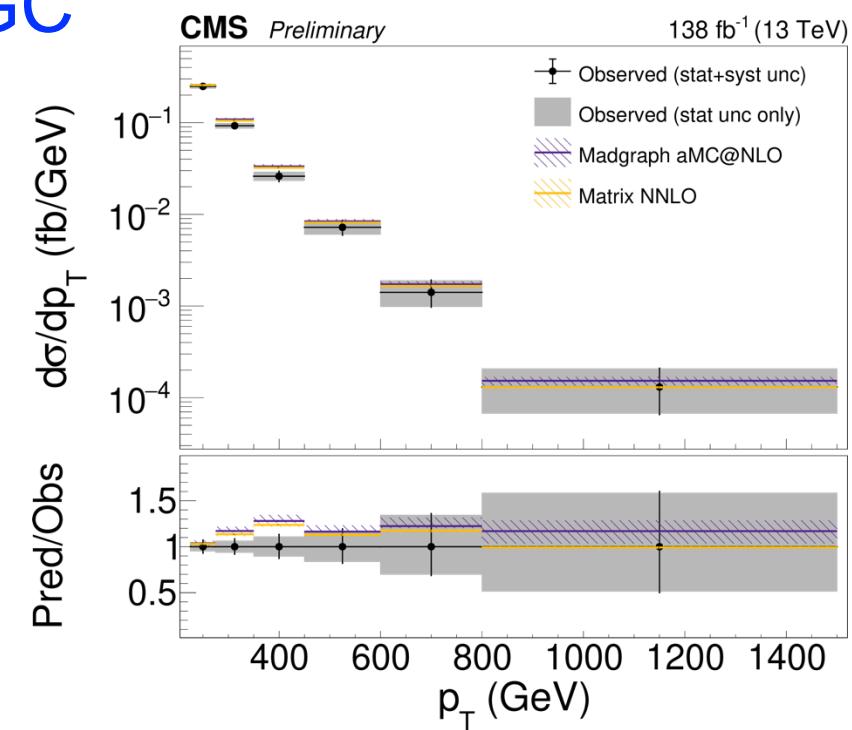


Events selected with an energetic photon and large E_T^{miss}



Parameter	Expected	Observed
$h_3^\gamma \times 10^4$	(-2.8, 2.9)	(-3.4, 3.5)
$h_4^\gamma \times 10^7$	(-5.9, 6.0)	(-6.8, 6.8)
$h_3^Z \times 10^4$	(-1.8, 1.9)	(-2.2, 2.2)
$h_4^Z \times 10^7$	(-3.7, 3.7)	(-4.1, 4.2)

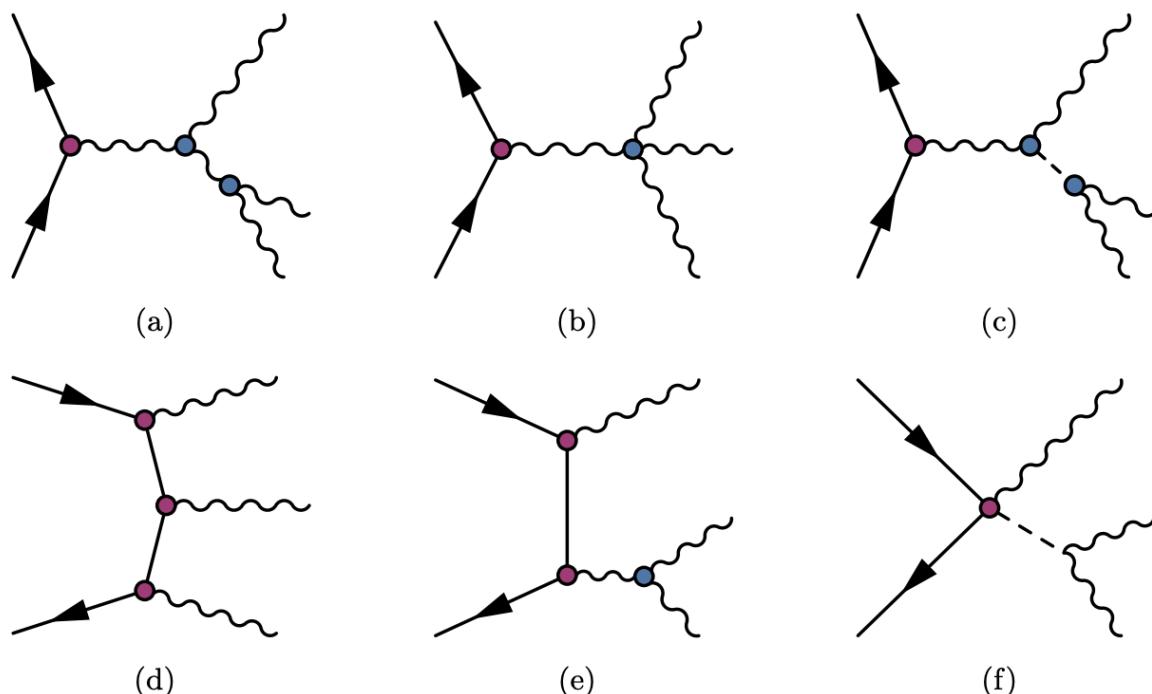
Stringent constraints on nTGCs



Measured cross section is compatible with NNLO predictions

Triboson production

- Rare and complicated processes
- Probe the EWK sector from a new angle
- Direct probe of quartic gauge couplings (QGC)



Triboson observations

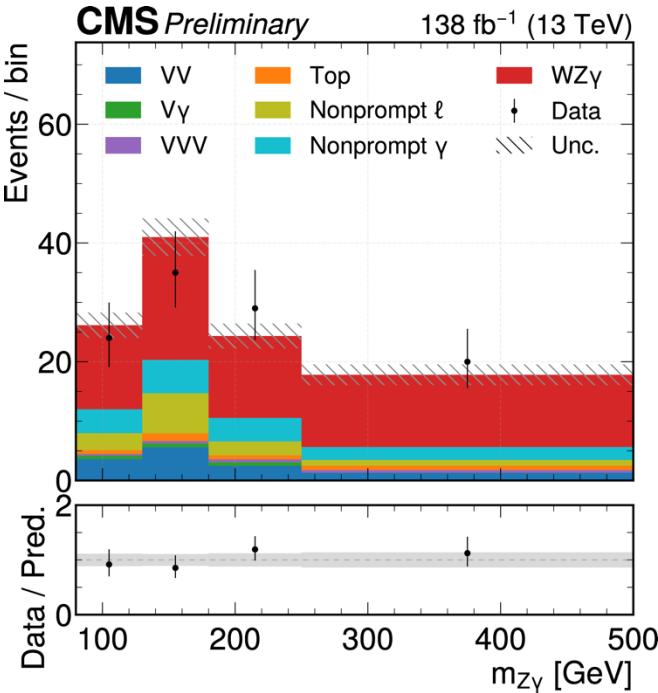
process	experiment	submission date	reference
VVV	CMS	Jun. 2020	[1]
WWW	ATLAS	Jan. 2022	[2, 3]
$WW\gamma$	CMS	Oct. 2023	[4]
$WZ\gamma$	ATLAS	May 2023	[5]
$V\gamma\gamma$	CMS	May 2021	[6]
$Z\gamma\gamma$	ATLAS	Nov. 2022	[7]
$W\gamma\gamma$	ATLAS	Aug. 2023	[8]

E. Celada et al, arXiv:2407.09600

CMS $WZ\gamma$ observation

CMS, SMP-22-018

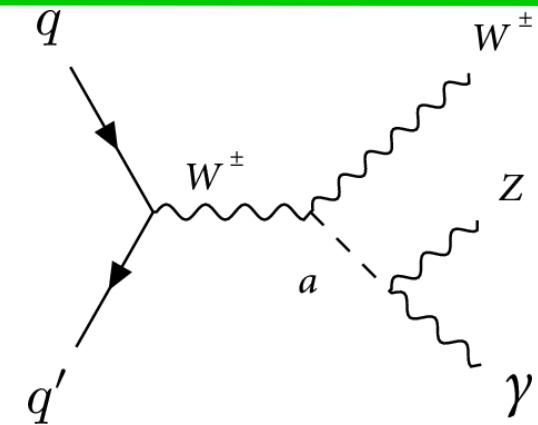
- Simultaneous production of three different gauge bosons



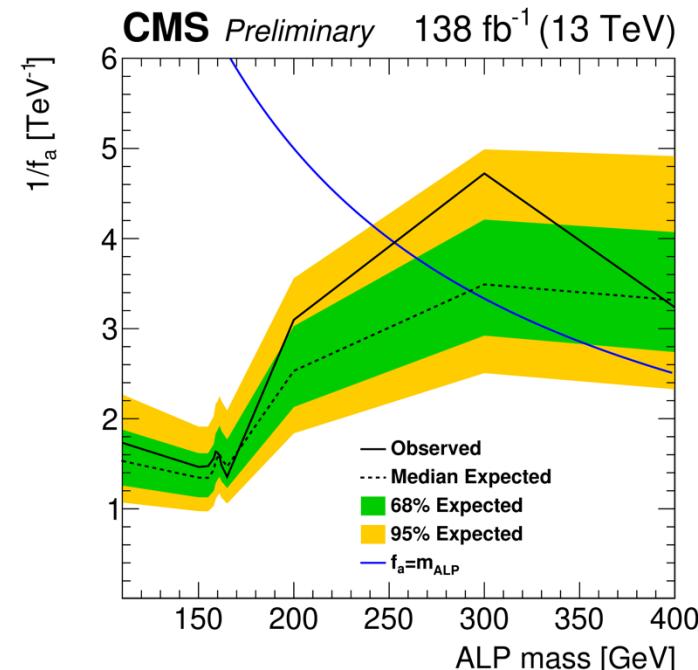
Observed (expected) significance: $5.4(3.8)\sigma$

Constraints on aQGC

Operators	Observed limits [TeV^{-4}]	Expected limits [TeV^{-4}]	Unitarity bound [TeV]
$F_{T,0}/\Lambda^4$	[-2.60, 2.60]	[-2.52, 2.52]	1.32
$F_{T,1}/\Lambda^4$	[-3.28, 3.24]	[-3.18, 3.14]	1.48
$F_{T,2}/\Lambda^4$	[-7.15, 7.05]	[-6.95, 6.85]	1.35
$F_{T,5}/\Lambda^4$	[-2.54, 2.56]	[-2.46, 2.50]	1.55
$F_{T,6}/\Lambda^4$	[-3.18, 3.22]	[-3.08, 3.14]	1.61
$F_{T,7}/\Lambda^4$	[-6.85, 7.05]	[-6.65, 6.85]	1.71

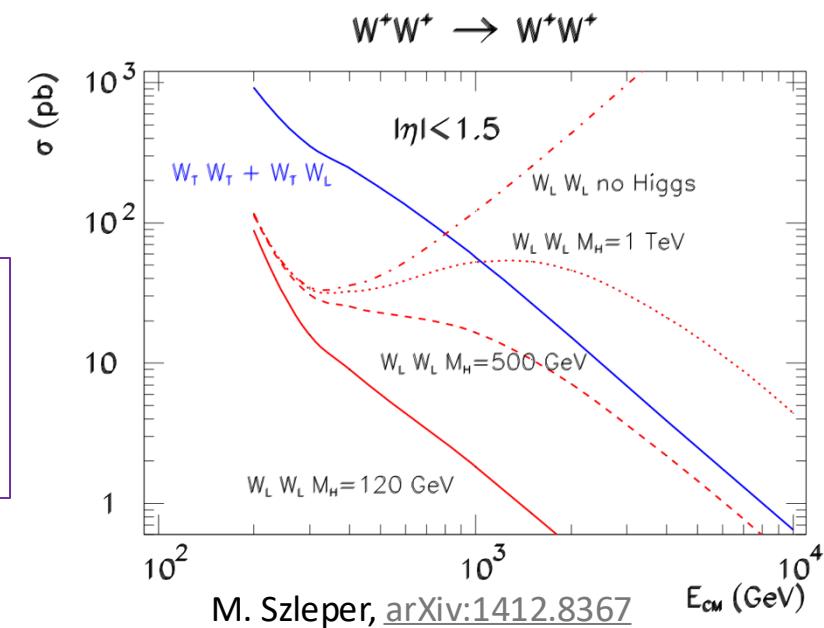
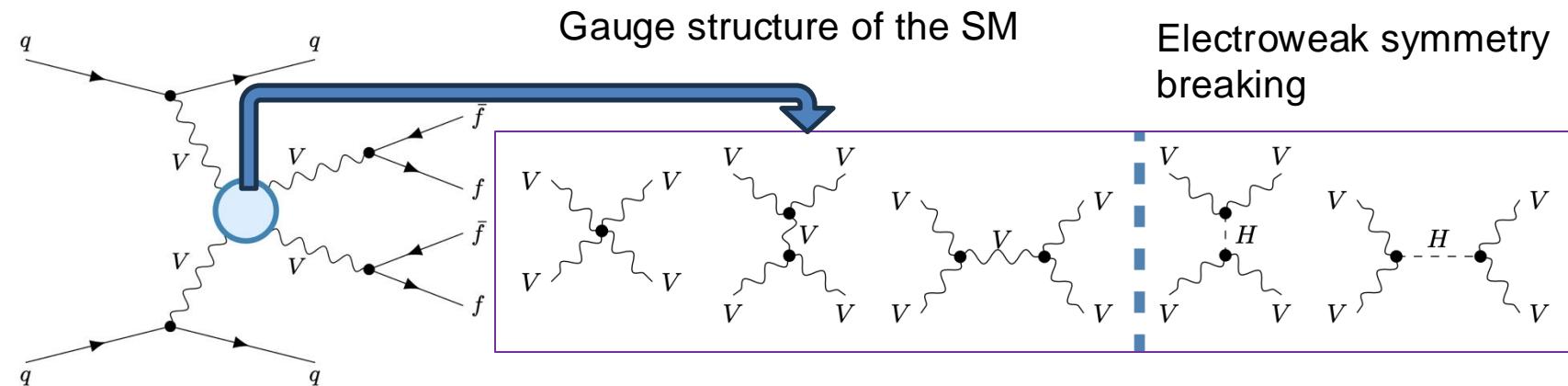


Search for axion-like particles
(photophobic ALPs $a \rightarrow Z\gamma$)



LHC as a Vector Boson Collider

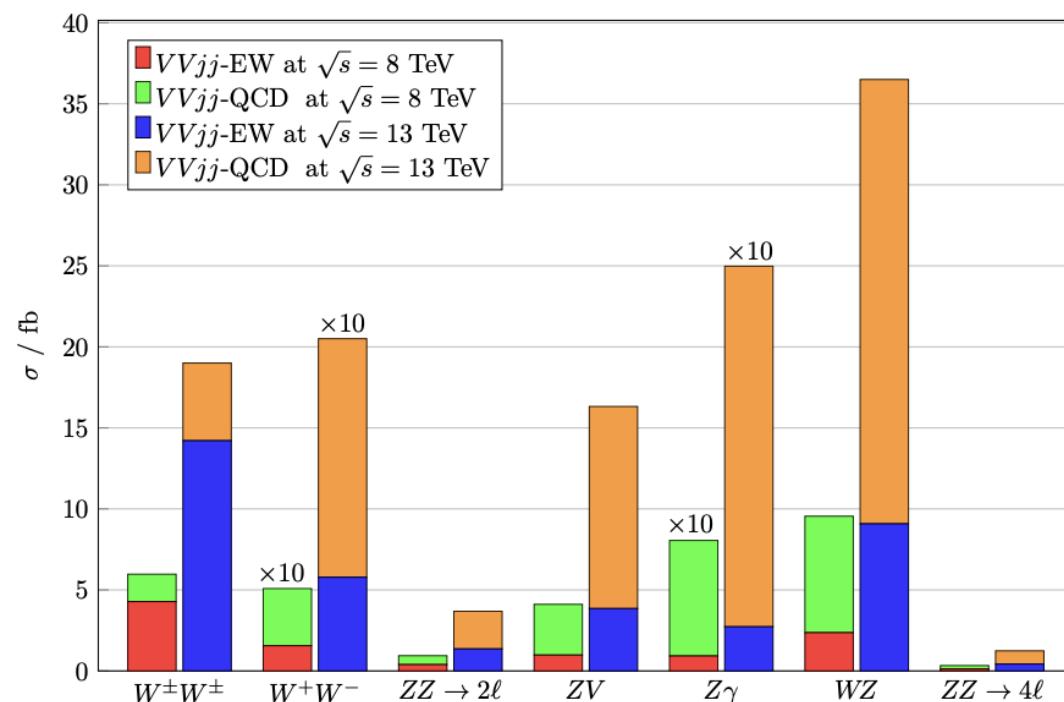
- VBS: a no-lose theorem program for the LHC
 - We would have either discovered the Higgs boson or New Physics
- Probing the interactions in VBS helps unveil the dynamics behind the Higgs mechanism
- A primary goal in VBS is to measure the scattering of $V_L V_L \rightarrow V_L V_L$
 - Strict cancellation required to unitarize the high energy behavior



M. Szleper, [arXiv:1412.8367](https://arxiv.org/abs/1412.8367)

LHC as a Vector Boson Collider

Challenging to observe VBS at the LHC



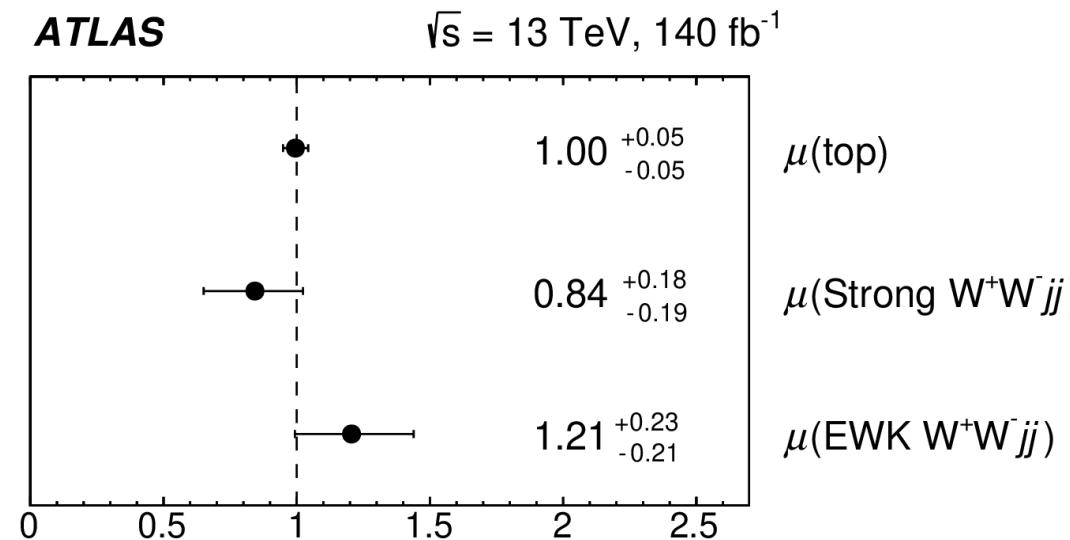
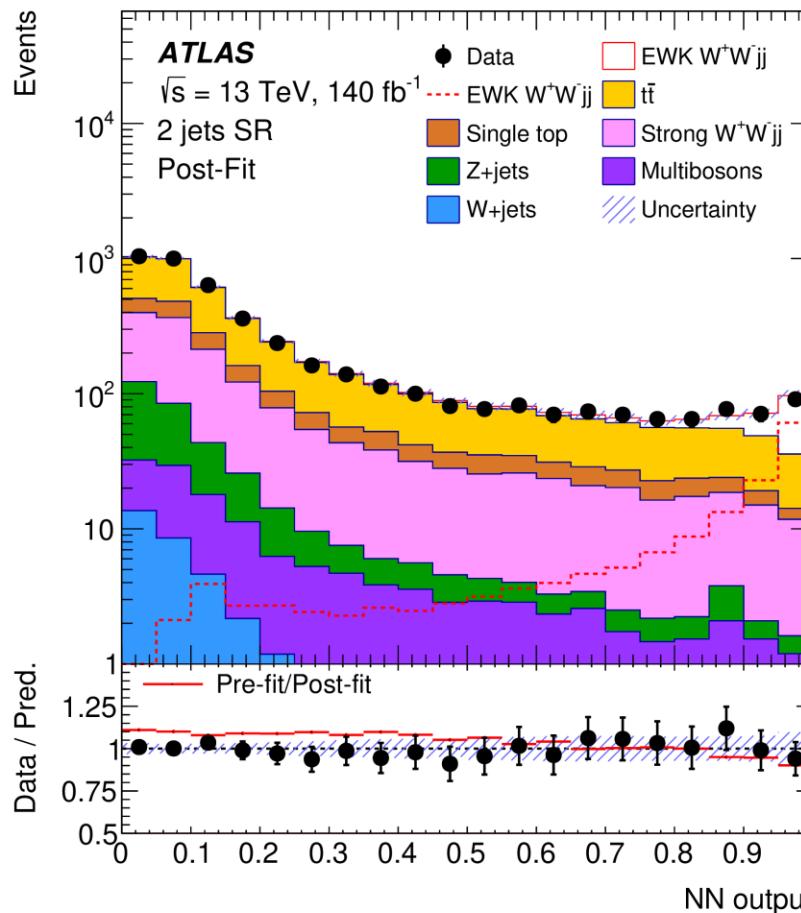
VBS observations

$W^\pm W^\pm jj$ (same-sign)	CMS: PRL 120 (2018) 081801 ATLAS: PRL 123 (2019) 161801
$W^\pm W^\mp jj$ (opposite-sign)	CMS, PLB 841 (2023) 137495 ATLAS, JHEP 07 (2024) 254
$W^\pm Zjj$	ATLAS, PLB 793 (2019) 469 CMS, PLB 809 (2020) 135710
$W\gamma jj$	CMS, PLB 811 (2020) 135988 ATLAS, EPJC 84 (2024) 1064
$Z\gamma jj$	CMS, PRD 104 (2021) 072001 ATLAS, PLB 846 (2023) 138222
$ZZjj$	ATLAS, Nature Phys. 19 (2023) 237

ATLAS $W^\pm W^\mp jj$ observation

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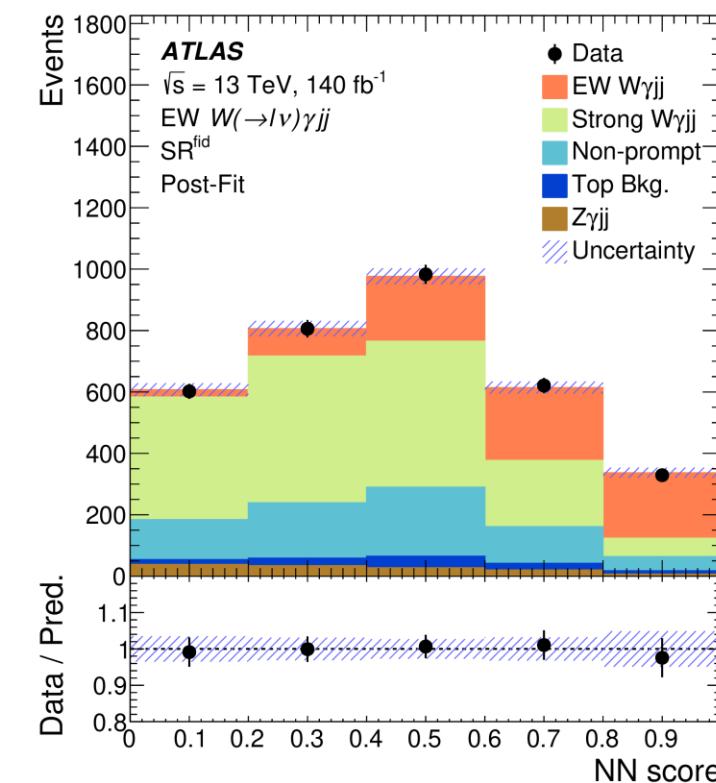


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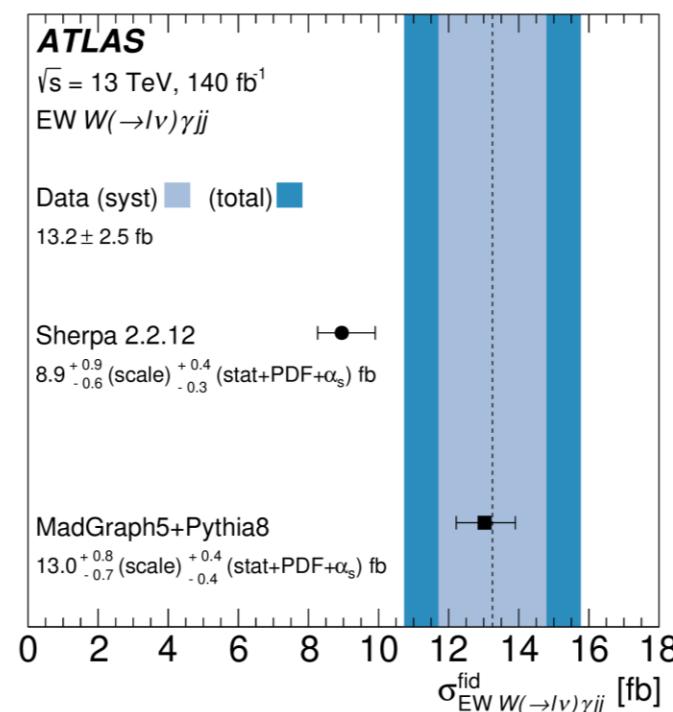
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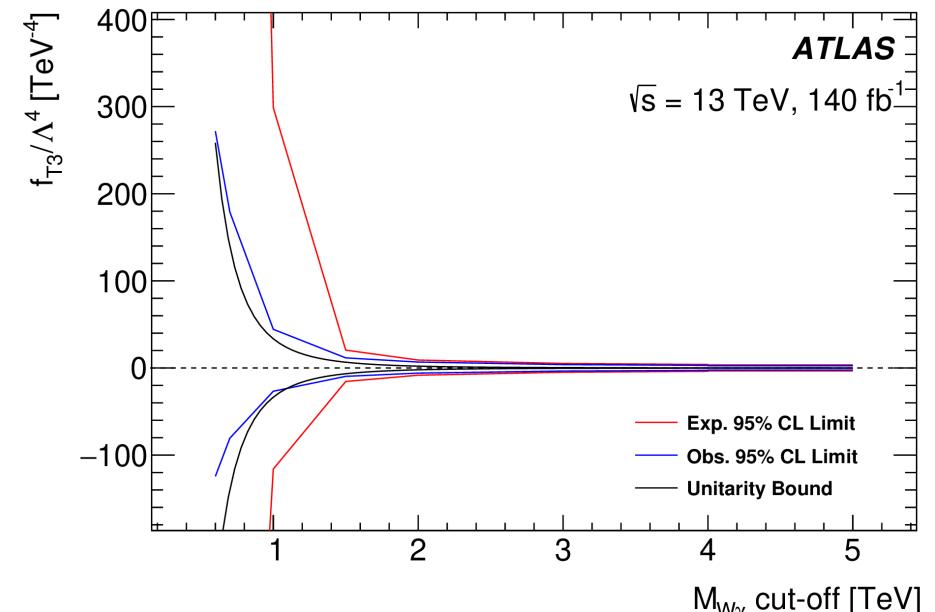


Observed significance well above 6σ (expected 6.3σ)



Fiducial and differential cross-sections measured

See more details in Jing Chen's talk (Friday afternoon)

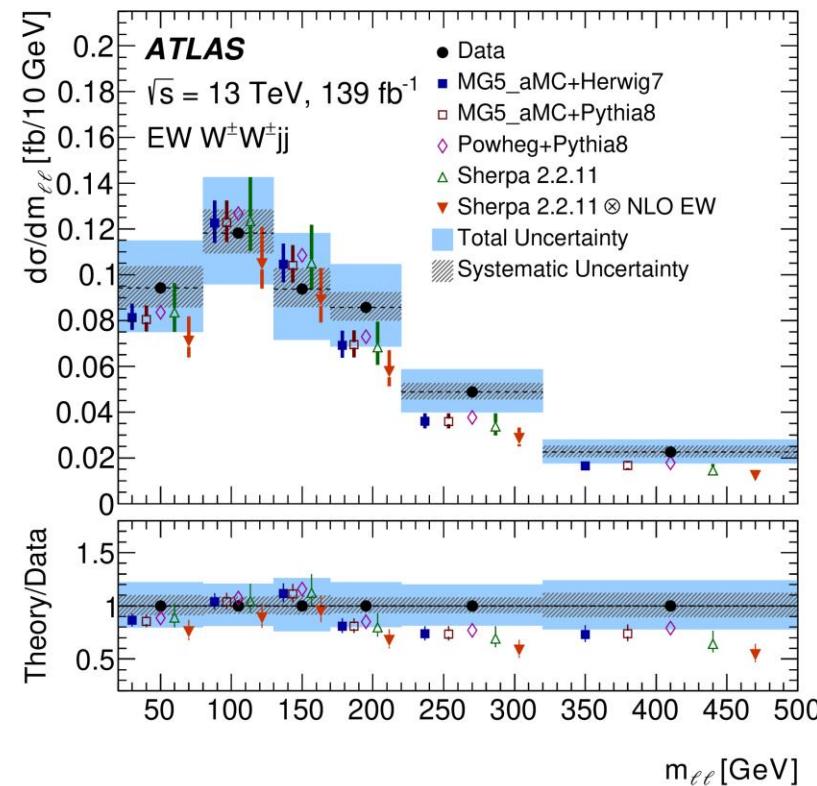
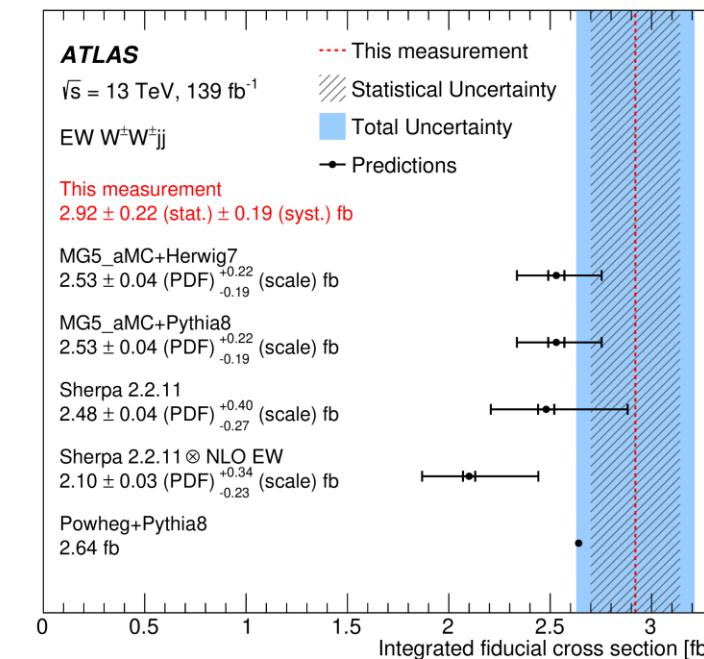


First LHC constraints on T_3, T_4 aQGC operators

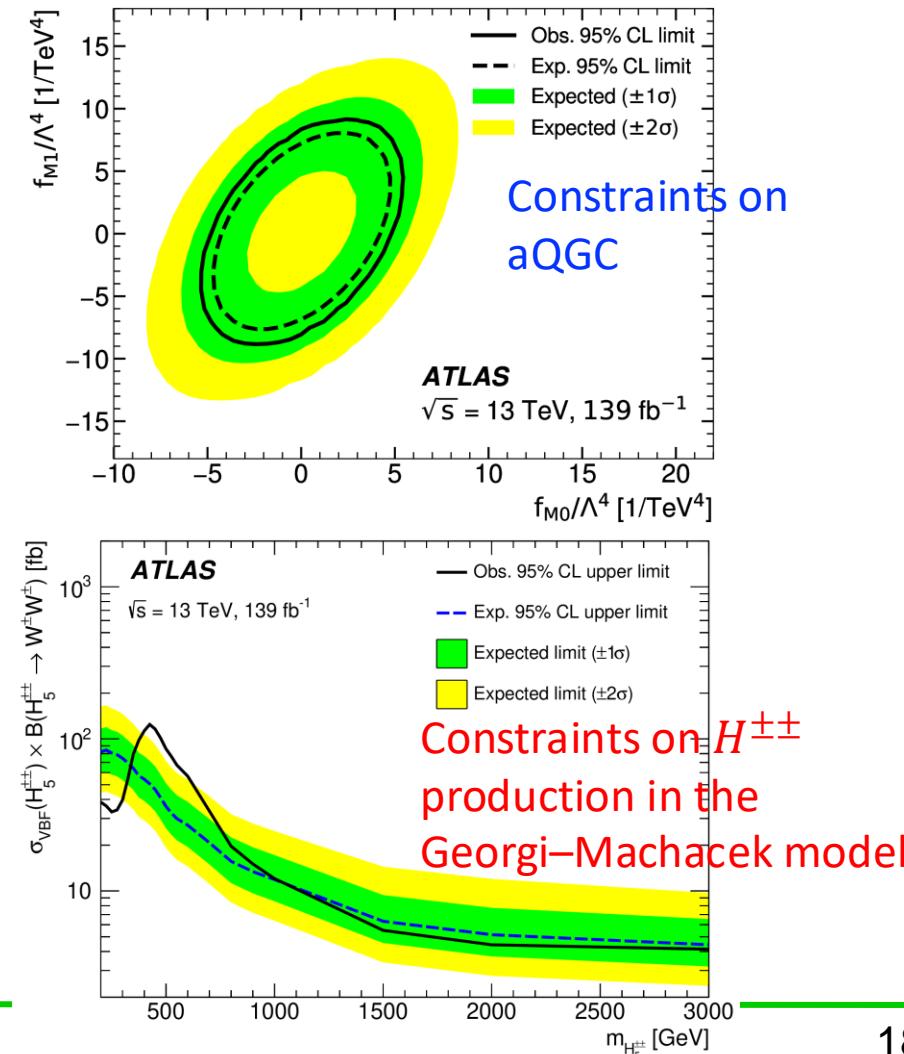
ATLAS $W^\pm W^\pm jj$ differential

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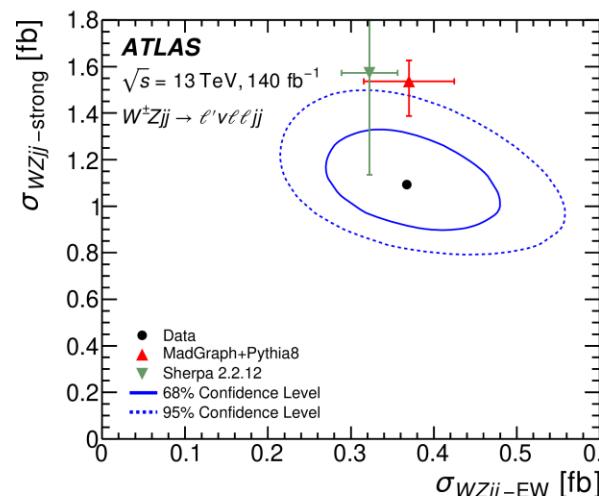
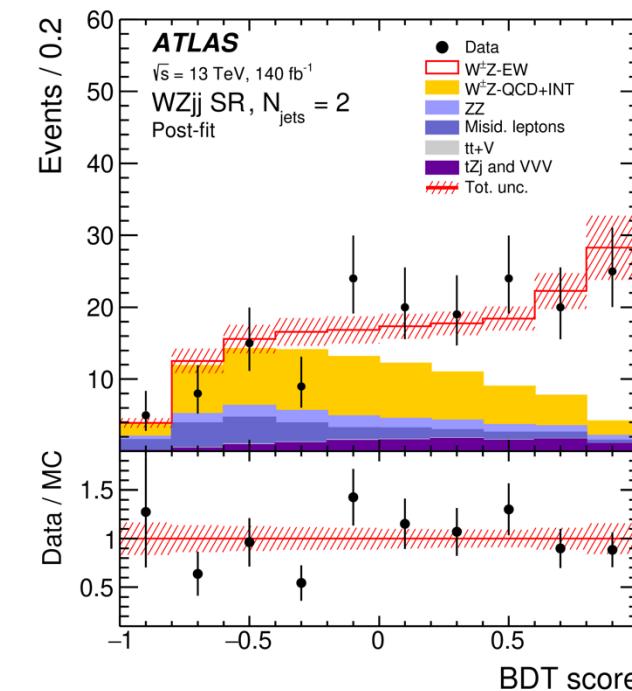
Most precise measurements of the EW $W^\pm W^\pm jj$ production



ATLAS $W^\pm Zjj$ differential

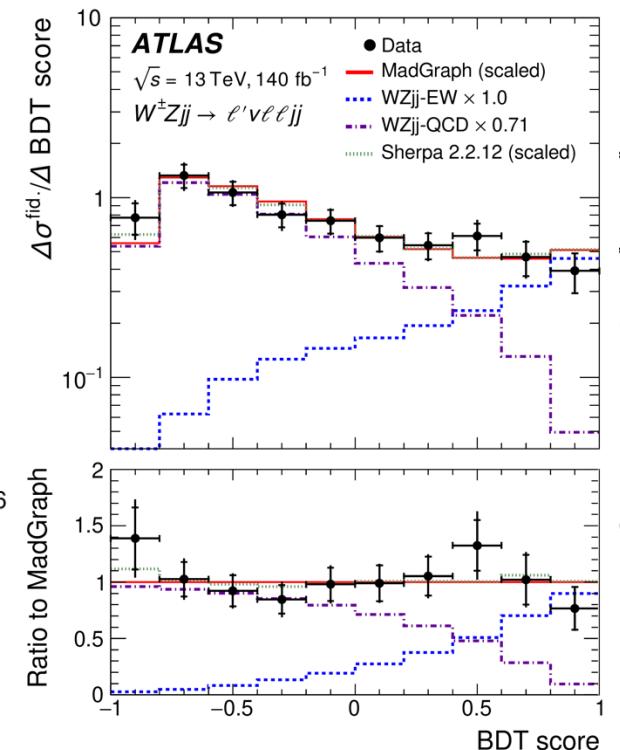
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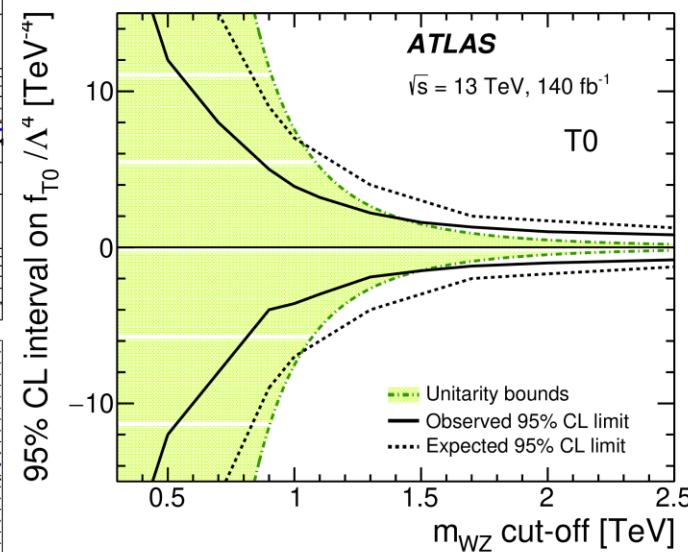


Deficit in the measured $W^\pm Zjj - QCD$ by a factor of 0.71 (1.8 σ)

BDT trained to separate the QCD- and EWK- $W^\pm Zjj$



Unfolded differential cross-sections for various observables:
 $BDT, m_{jj}, \Delta\phi_{jj}, m_T(WZ), \text{etc}$



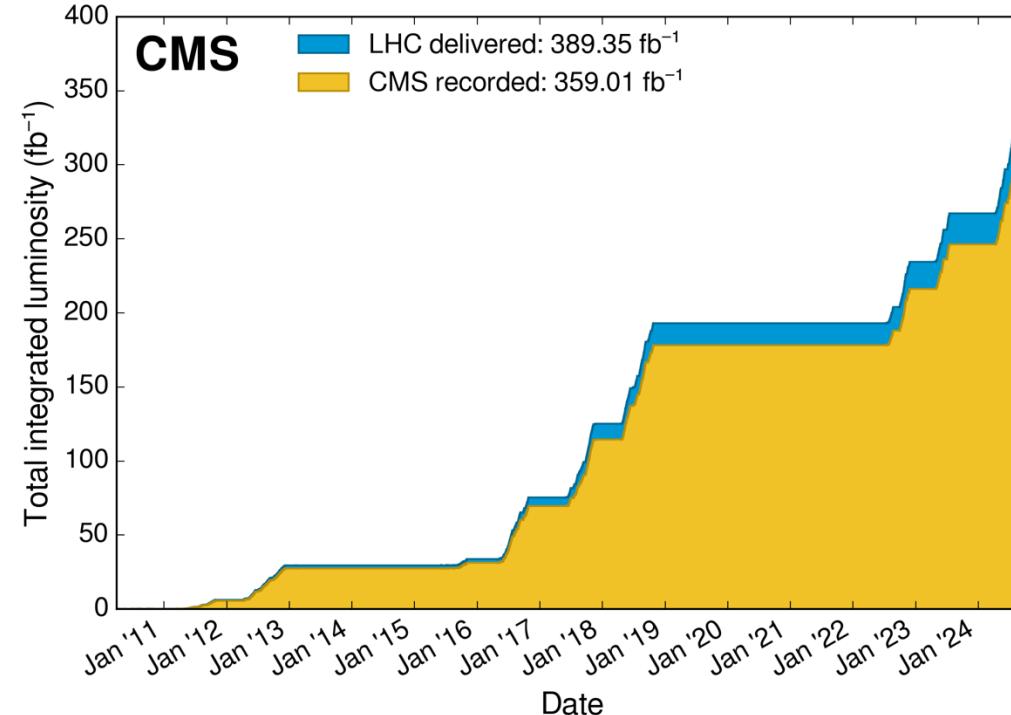
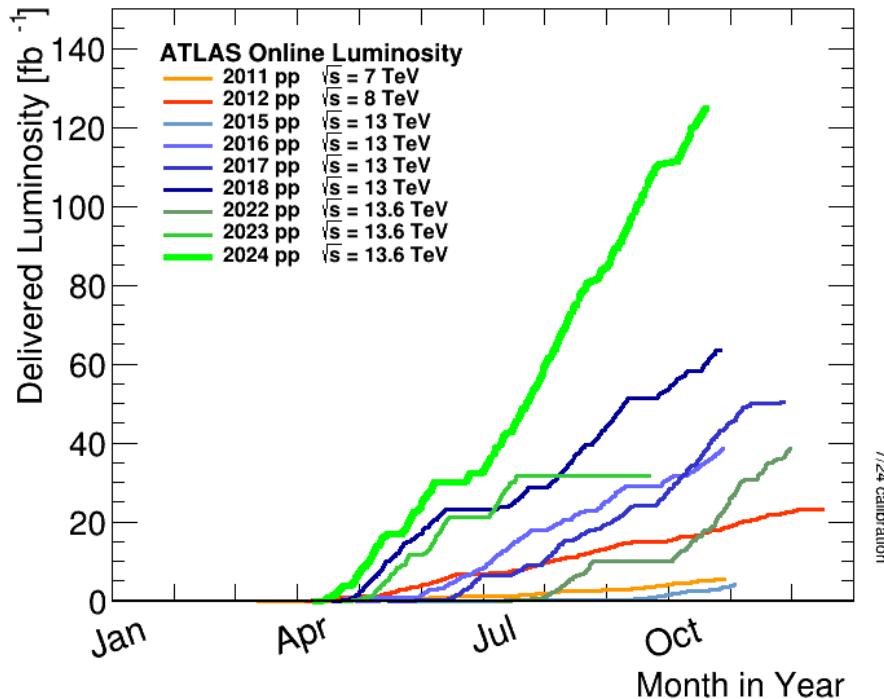
Constraints on aQGC

Pushing to the new energy frontier: fresh results from Run3

Run3 with 13.6 TeV

ATLAS
CMS

- Ongoing Run3 data taking already exceeds the Full Run2 luminosity



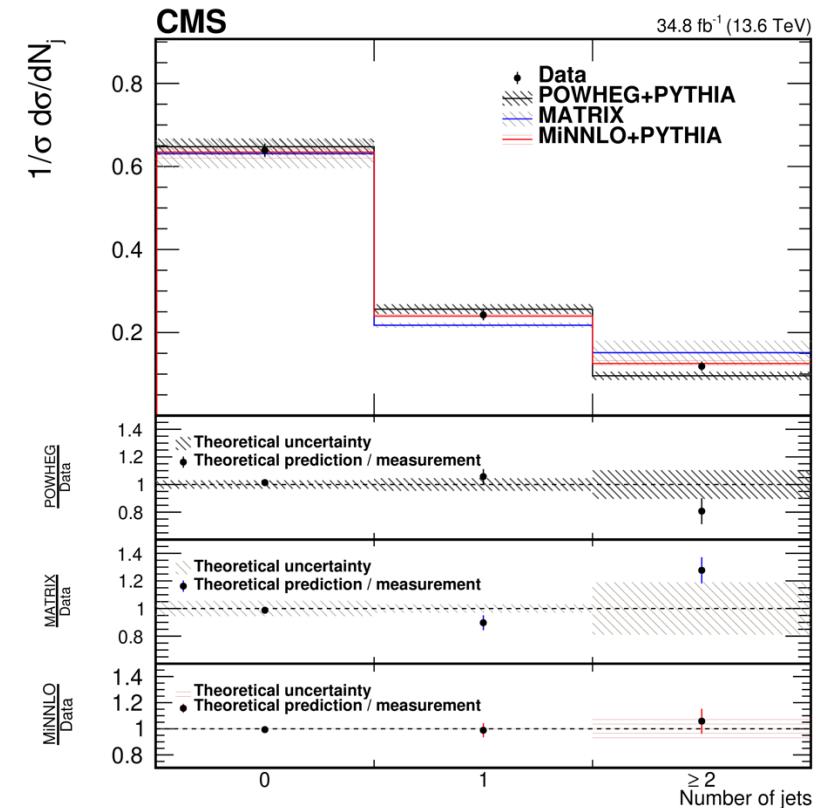
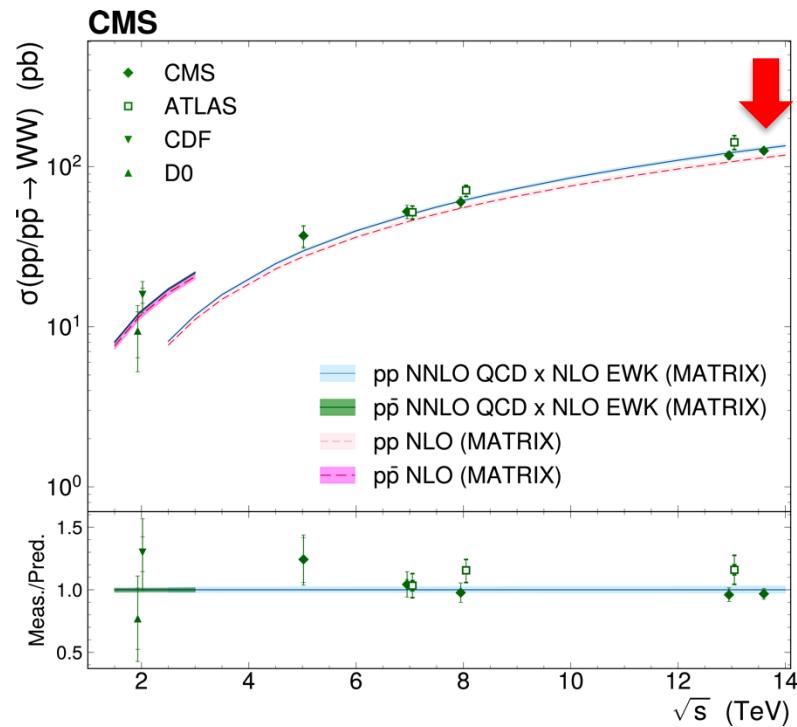
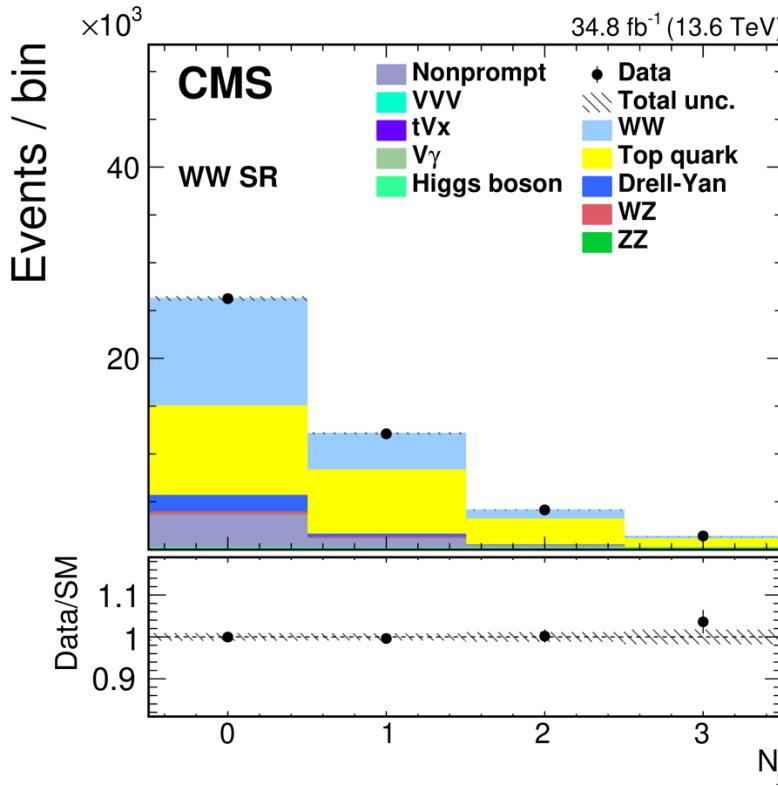
Fresh 13.6 TeV Multiboson Measurements

ZZ	ATLAS, PLB 855 (2024) 138764
WW	CMS, arXiv:2406.05101
WZ	CMS, SMP-24-005

CMS WW production at 13.6 TeV

arXiv:2406.05101

- First Run-3 diboson measurement with the CMS detector using 2022 data(34.7 fb^{-1})
 - With $WW \rightarrow e\nu\mu\nu$ final state

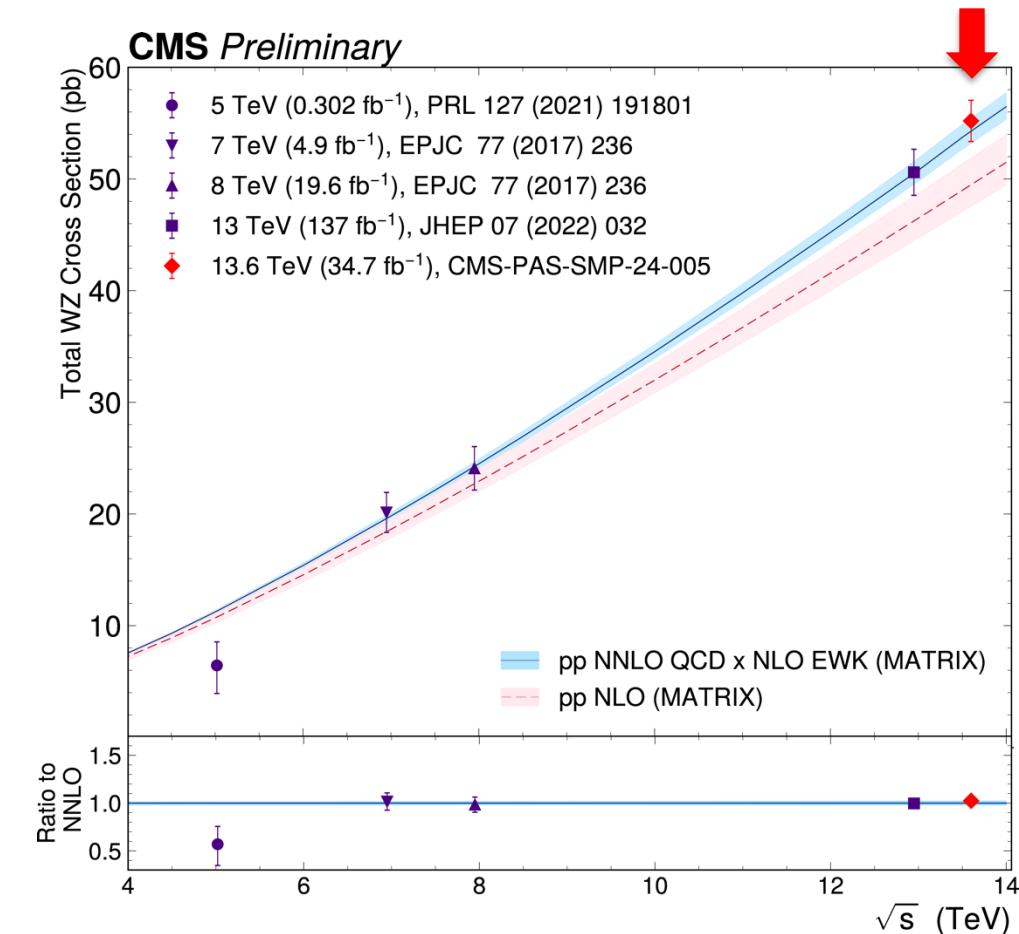
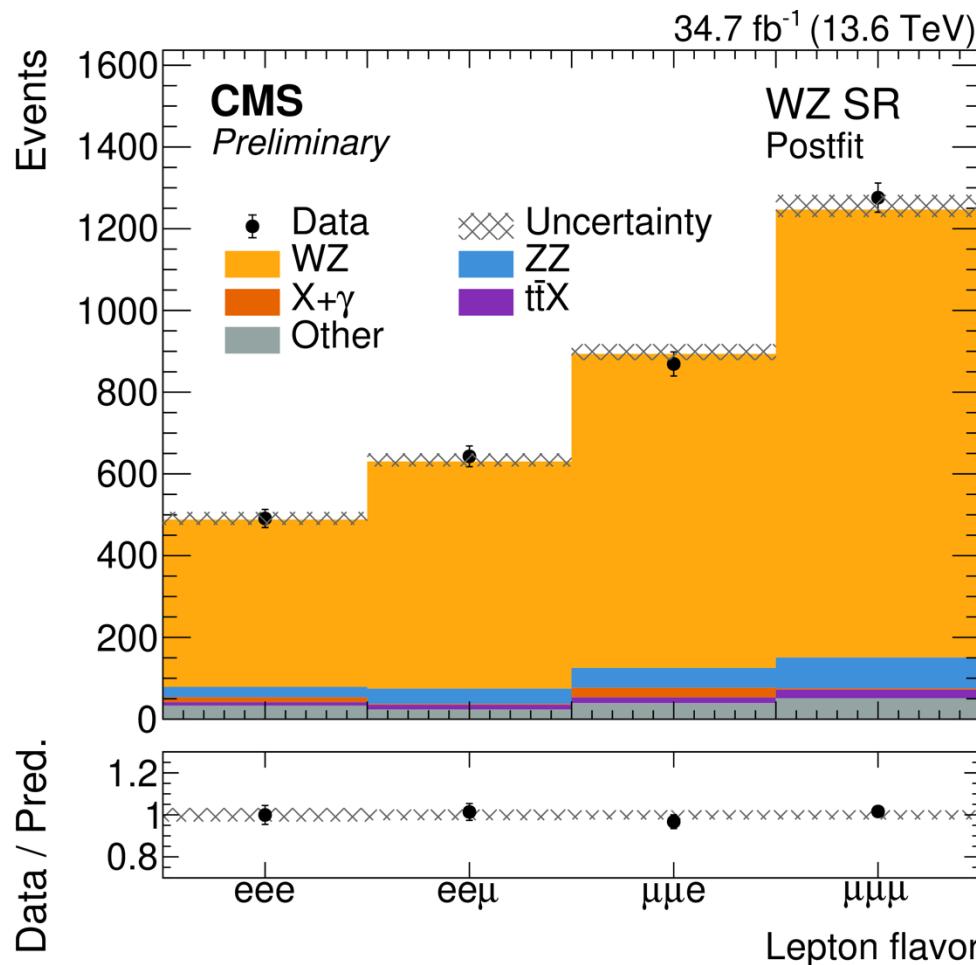


For first time $pp \rightarrow WW + \geq 2$ jets are studied and compared with the most precise theoretical predictions.

CMS WZ production at 13.6 TeV

SMP-24-005

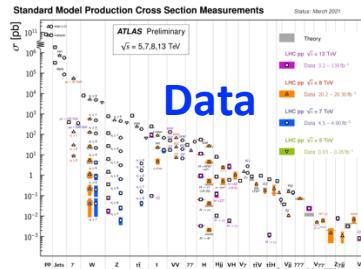
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SMEFT Global Fit

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- Effective Field Theories: bridging precision measurements and BSM models

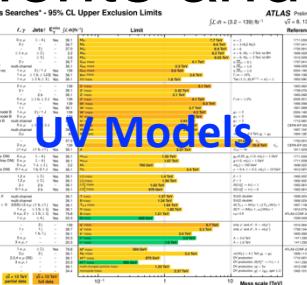


constraints

X^3	φ^6 and $\varphi^4 D^2$	$\varphi^2 \varphi^3$
Q_G $f^{ABC} G_A^{B\mu} G_B^{C\nu}$	Q_{φ} $(\varphi^\dagger \varphi)^3$	$Q_{\varphi p}$ $(\varphi^\dagger \varphi)(\bar{q}_p q_p)$
$Q_{\bar{G}}$ $f^{ABC} \bar{G}_A^{B\mu} G_B^{C\nu}$	$Q_{\varphi C}$ $(\varphi^\dagger \varphi) \square (\varphi^\dagger \varphi)$	$Q_{\varphi p}$ $(\varphi^\dagger \varphi)(\bar{q}_p u_p \bar{d}_p)$
Q_W $\varepsilon^{IJK} W_I^{J\mu} W_J^{K\nu}$	$Q_{\varphi D}$ $(\varphi^\dagger D^\mu \varphi)^*\ (\varphi^\dagger D_\mu \varphi)$	$Q_{\varphi d}$ $(\varphi^\dagger \varphi)(\bar{q}_d u_d)$
$Q_{\bar{W}}$ $\varepsilon^{IJK} \bar{W}_I^{J\mu} W_J^{K\nu}$		



Interpretation



- SMEFT: SM as an EFT

$$L_{SMEFT} = L_{SM} + \frac{L_5}{\Lambda} + \frac{L_6}{\Lambda^2} + \frac{L_7}{\Lambda^3} + \frac{L_8}{\Lambda^4} + \dots$$

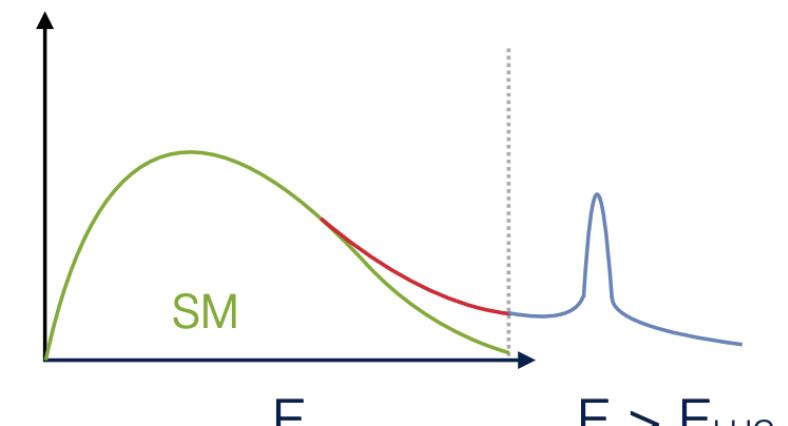
$$L_n = \sum_i c_i O_i^{d=n}$$

c_i free parameters (Wilson coefficients) \rightarrow encode all UV information

O_i invariant operators that form a complete, non-redundant basis

\rightarrow describe the IR information

- The exact number of operators are known
- Complete operator bases available for L_5, L_6, L_7, L_8

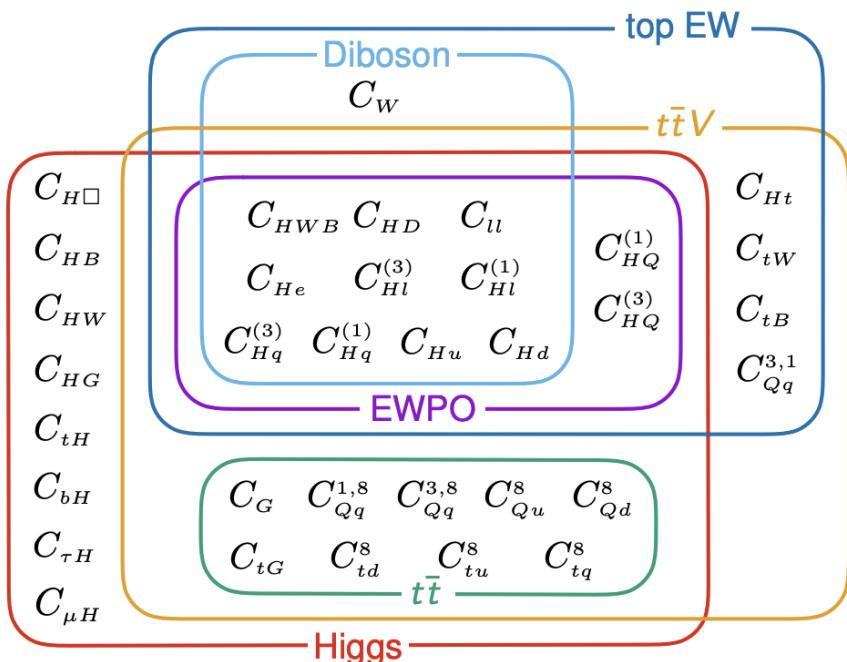


A model-independent way to probe BSM

SMEFT

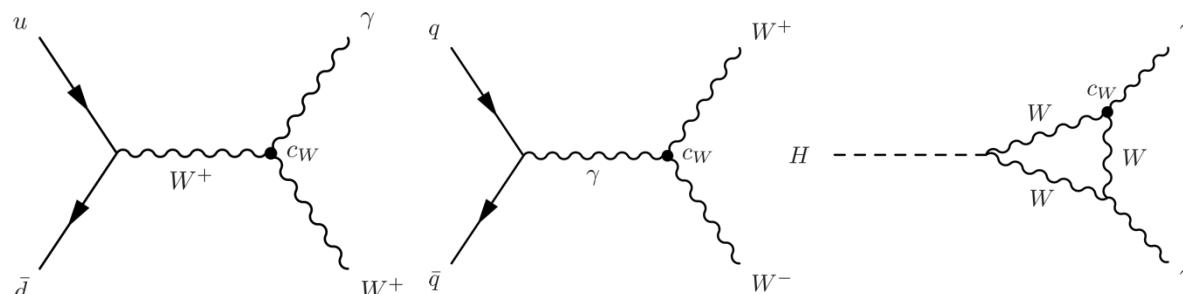
- Power of SMEFT is connection of data from different processes:
 - Higgs, EWK, Top, QCD Jets, etc
- Global EFT fits have been performed in both ATLAS and CMS

CMS-PAS-SMP-24-003
ATL-PHYS-PUB-2022-037



[J. Ellis et al, arXiv:2012.02779](#)

Analysis	Type of measurement	Observables used	Experimental likelihood
$H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$	Diff. cross sections	STXS bins [41]	✓
$W\gamma$	Fid. diff. cross sections	$p_T^\gamma \times \phi_f $	✓
WW	Fid. diff. cross sections	$m_{\ell\ell}$	✓
$Z \rightarrow \nu\nu$	Fid. diff. cross sections	p_T^Z	✓
$t\bar{t}$	Fid. diff. cross sections	$M_{t\bar{t}}$	✗
EWPO	Pseudo-observables	Γ_Z , σ_{had}^0 , R_ℓ , R_c , R_b , $A_{FB}^{0,\ell}$, $A_{FB}^{0,c}$, $A_{FB}^{0,b}$	✗
Inclusive jet $t\bar{t}\chi$	Fid. diff. cross sections Direct EFT	$p_T^{\text{jet}} \times y^{\text{jet}} $ Yields in regions of interest	✗ ✓

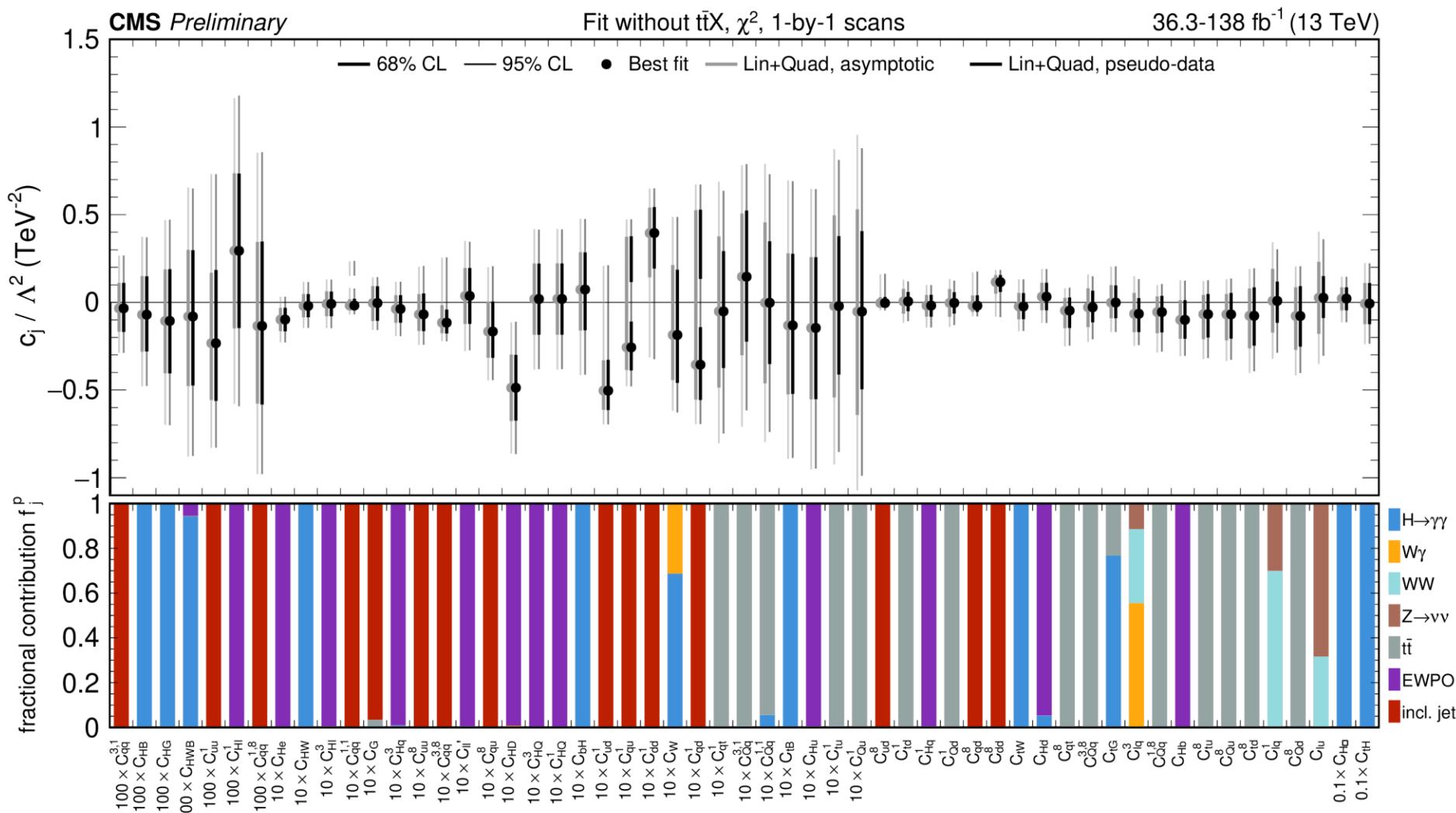


An example of c_W operator affecting $W\gamma, WW, H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$

CMS global EFT fit

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- SMEFT Warsaw basis
- Constraints on Wilson Coefficients
- Constraints also set on linear combinations of WCs (eigen-vectors from the Principal Component Analysis)



Summary

- Multiboson is a benchmark physics program at the LHC
 - Precision test of the SM EWK sector and unique window to New Physics
- Run 2 has been a very productive period for multiboson physics
 - Achieved first observations of several rare processes: triboson, vector boson scattering, polarized gauge bosons
 - Stringent constraints on anomalous triple and quartic gauge couplings
- Looking forward to Run 3 and beyond
 - 13.6 TeV multiboson program is just starting
 - Luminosity already surpassed that from full Run 2
 - Explore novel analysis techniques to deepen our understanding of the EWSB
- Efforts from the theory community essential
 - State-of-the-art predictions, new experimental probes, etc

To further unveil the mystery of EWSB?

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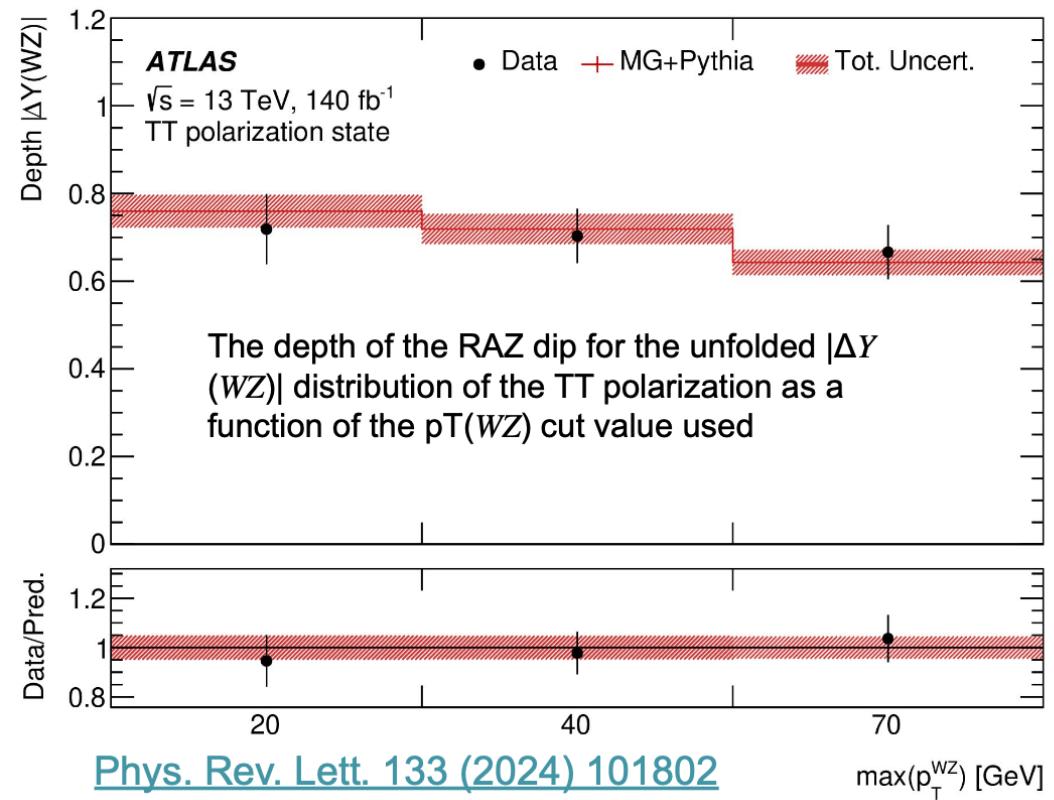
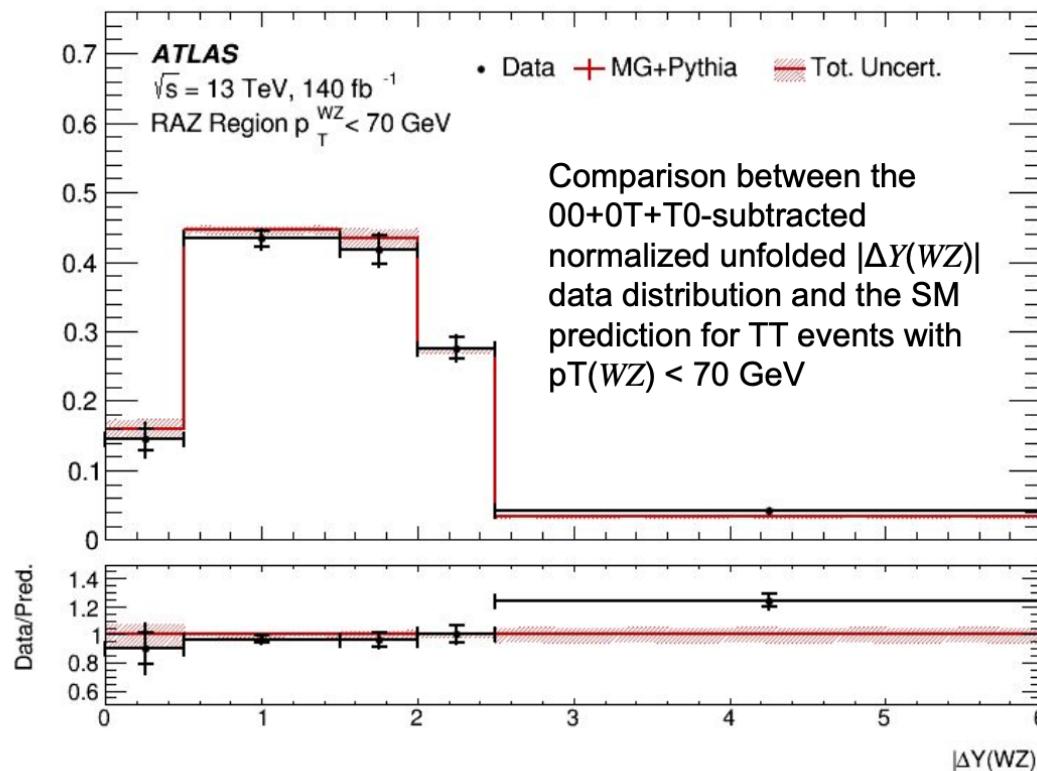
Backup

ATLAS WZ RAZ measurement

ATLAS, [PRL133 \(2024\) 101802](#)

The depth of the RAZ dip, represented by the variable $\mathcal{D} = 1 - 2 \times N_{\text{central}}^{\text{unf}} / N_{\text{sides}}^{\text{unf}}$

where $N_{\text{central}}^{\text{unf}}$ ($N_{\text{sides}}^{\text{unf}}$) indicates the number of events with $|\Delta Y(WZ)| < 0.5$ ($0.5 < |\Delta Y(\ell_W Z)| < 1.5$) after the unfolding. A positive value of \mathcal{D} indicates the existence of a dip.



[Phys. Rev. Lett. 133 \(2024\) 101802](#)