



Electroweak and Top physics at ATLAS

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LHC & ATLAS

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W+jets

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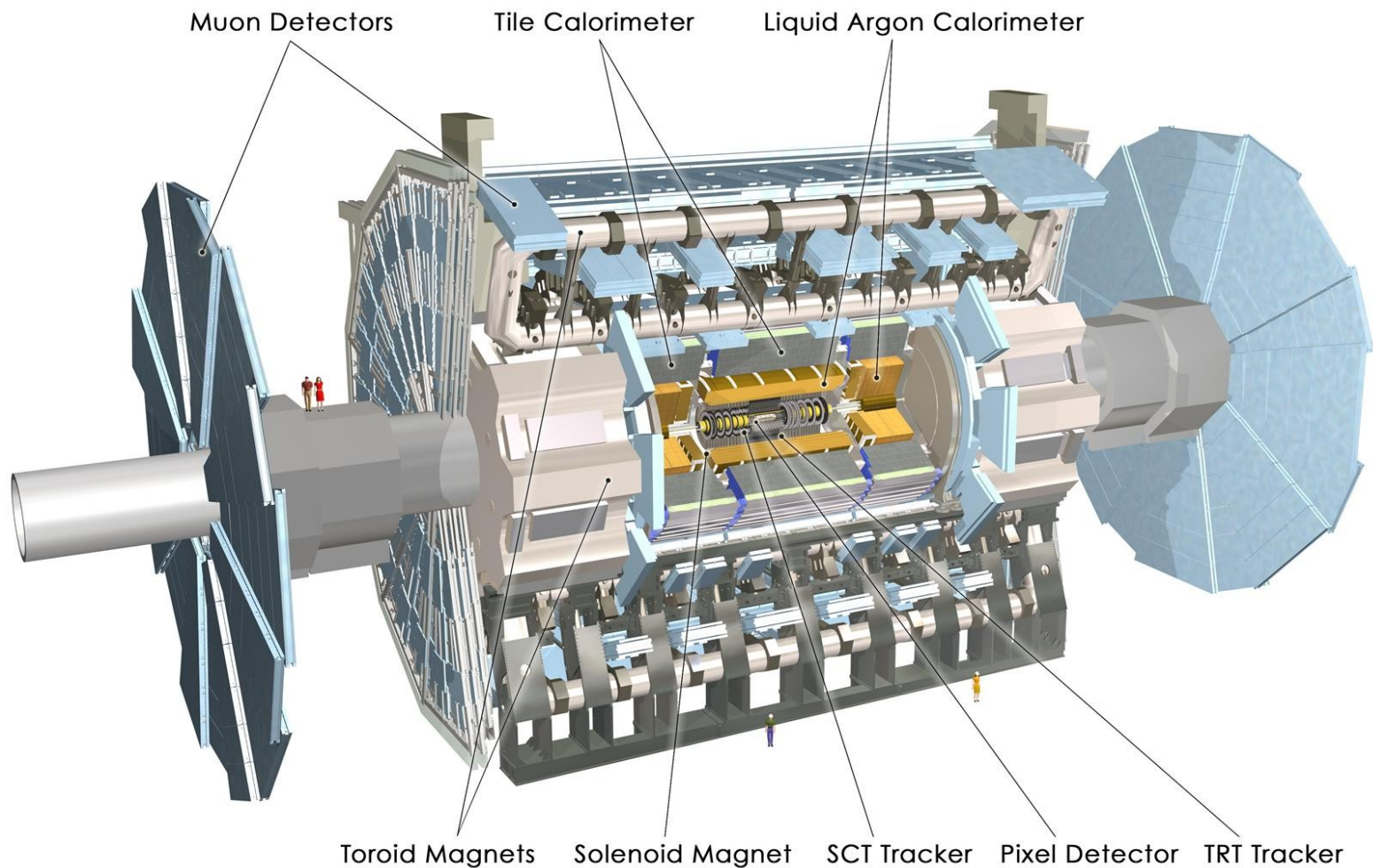
Single lepton channel

Di-lepton channel

Combining all 5 subchannels

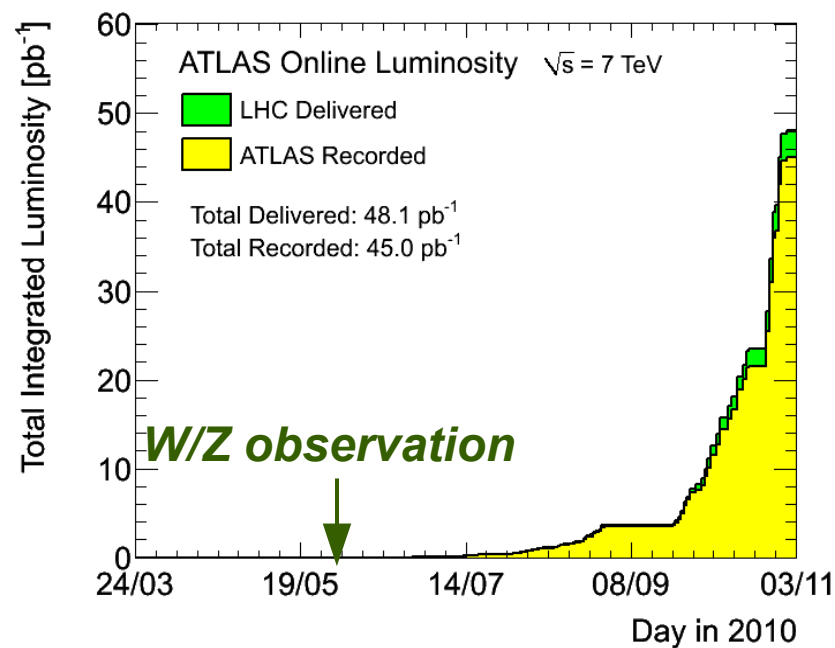
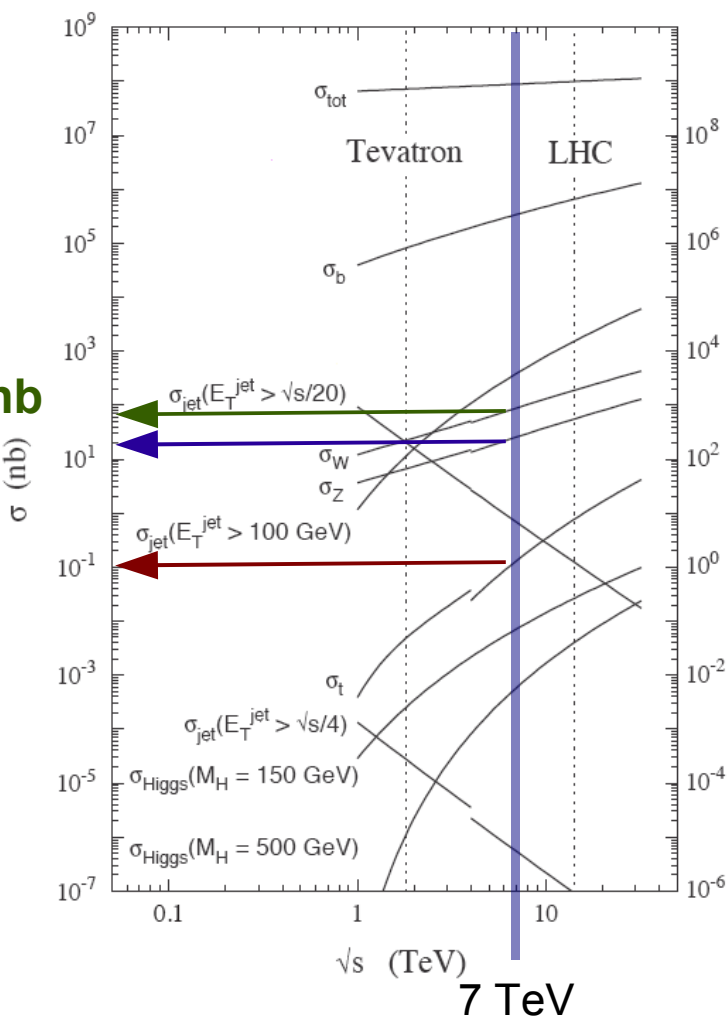
SUMMARY

The ATLAS detector



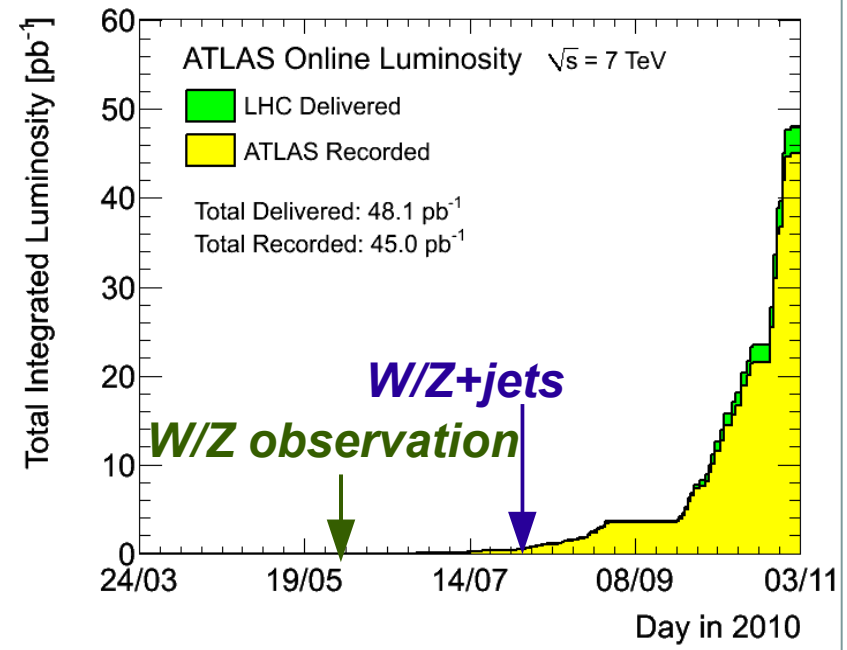
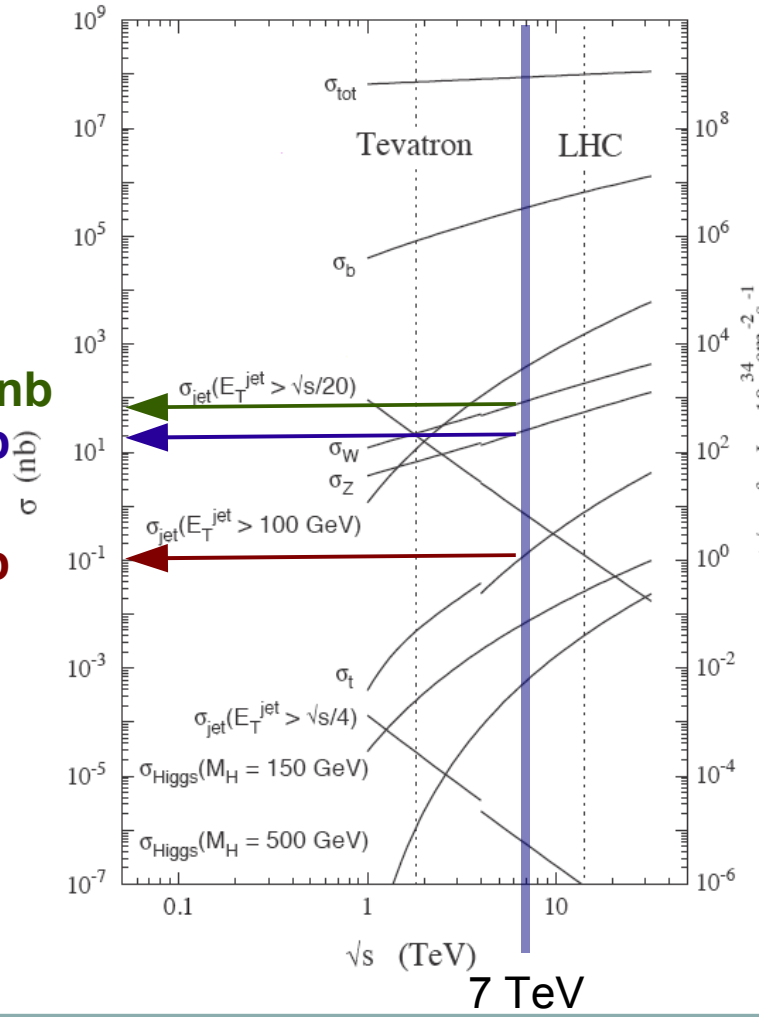
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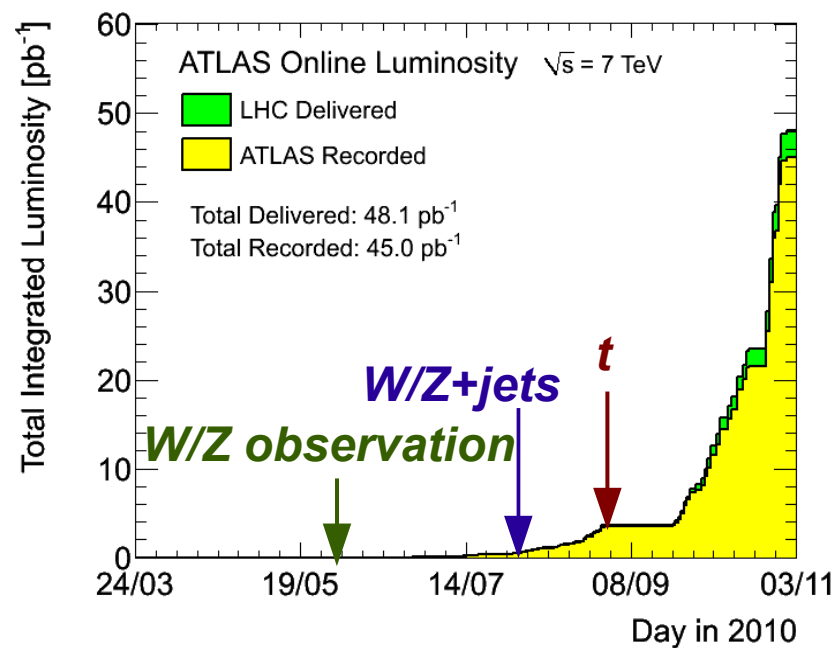
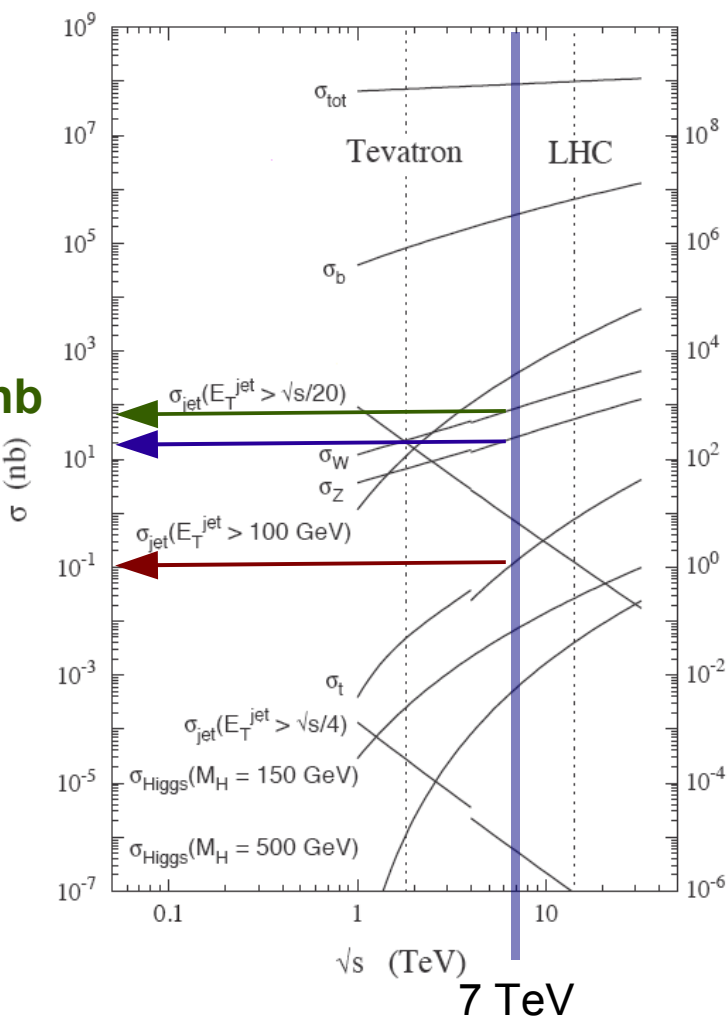
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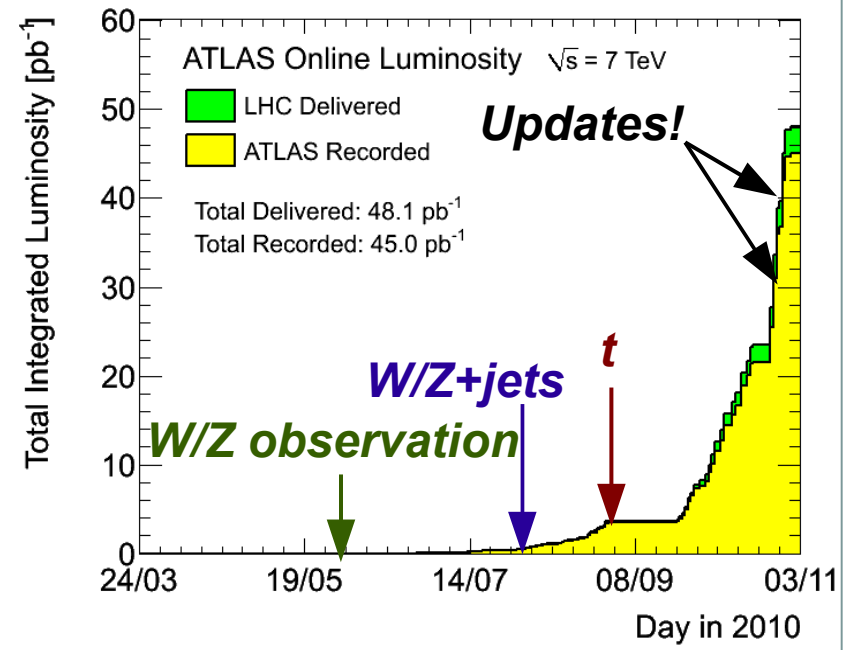
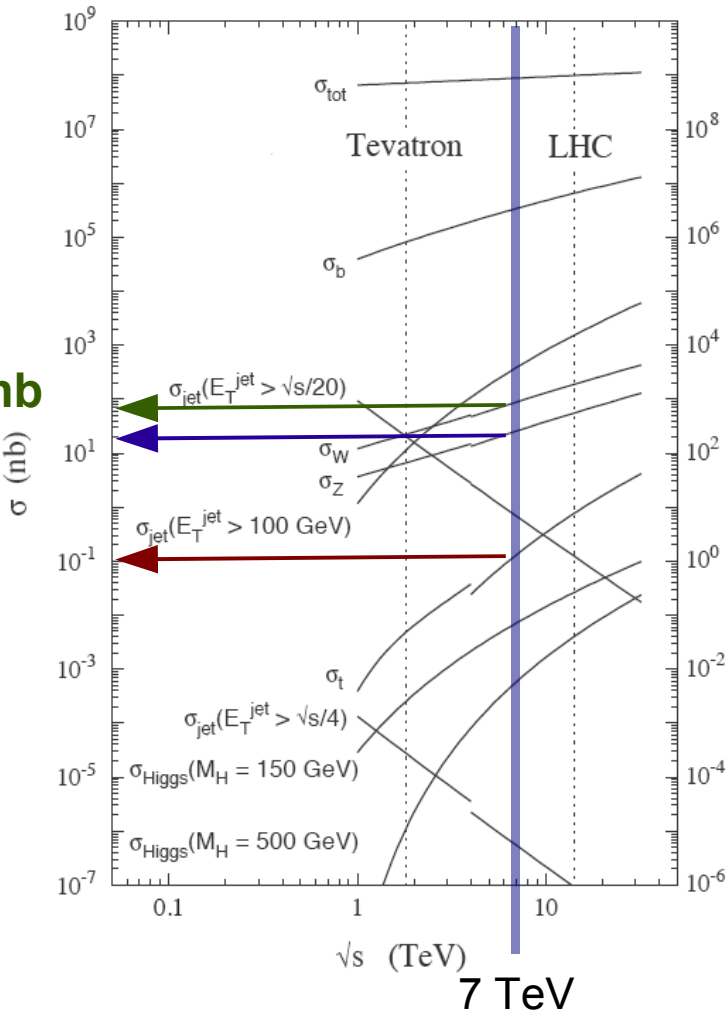
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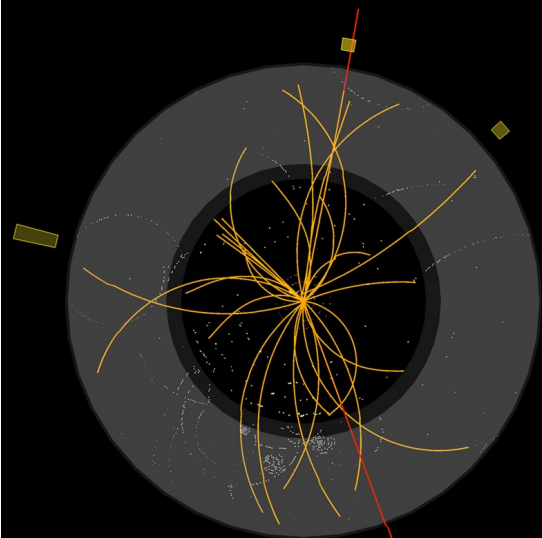


Many of the results shown today are being updated with the full 2010 data.



ATLAS EXPERIMENT

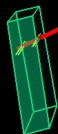
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$$p_T(\mu^-) = 27 \text{ GeV} \quad \eta(\mu^-) = 0.7$$

$$p_T(\mu^+) = 45 \text{ GeV} \quad \eta(\mu^+) = 2.2$$

$$M_{\mu\mu} = 87 \text{ GeV}$$



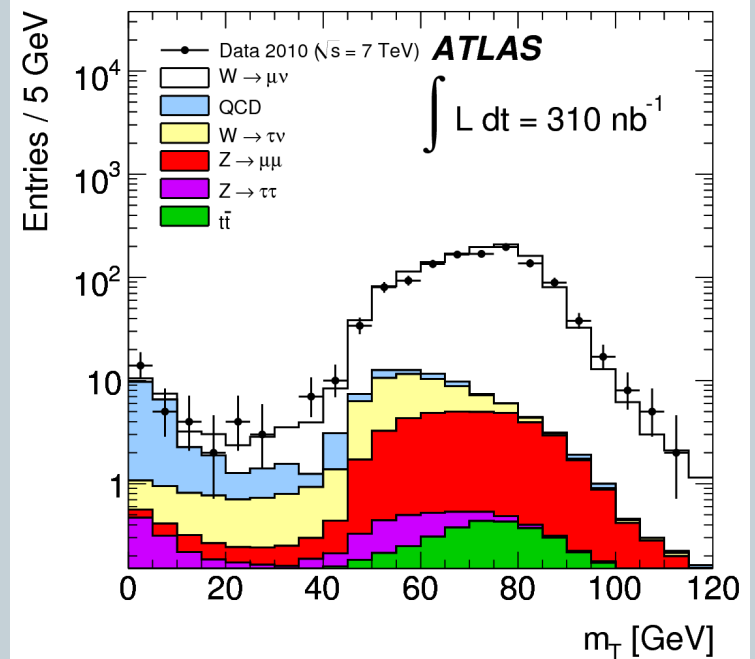
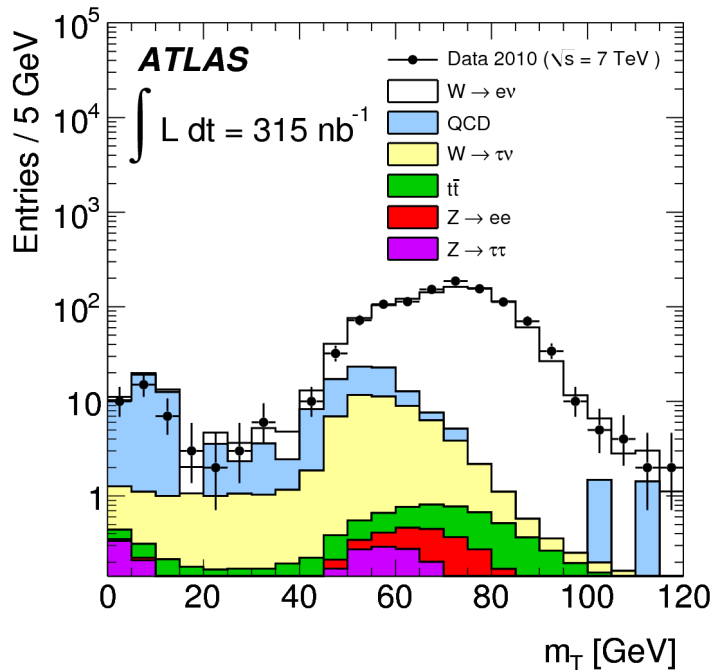
**Z $\rightarrow\mu\mu$ candidate
in 7 TeV collisions**

W observation

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$W \rightarrow e\nu$

$W \rightarrow \mu\nu$



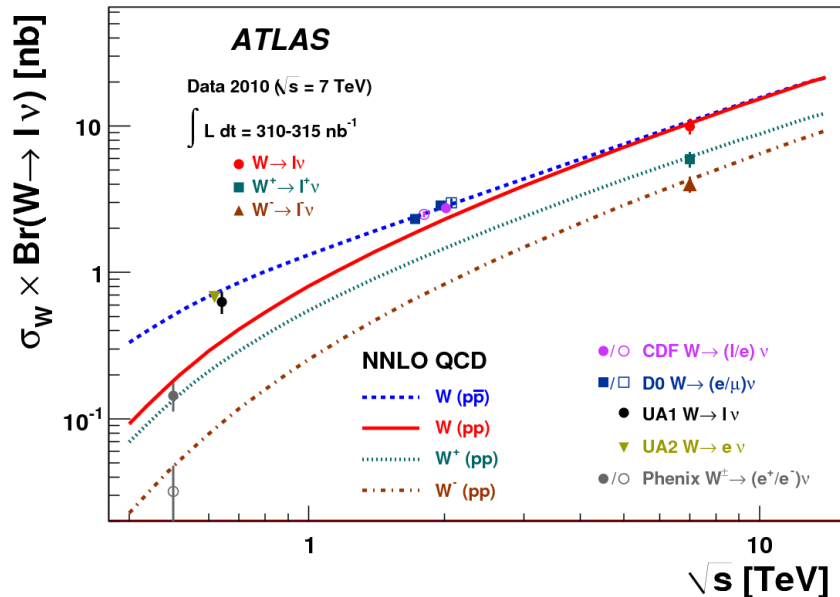
- With $\sim 300 \text{ nb}^{-1}$ we observed the first 1000 $W \rightarrow e\nu$ and $W \rightarrow \mu\nu$.
- A clear signal over very small background in both electron and muon channel!

W & Z cross section

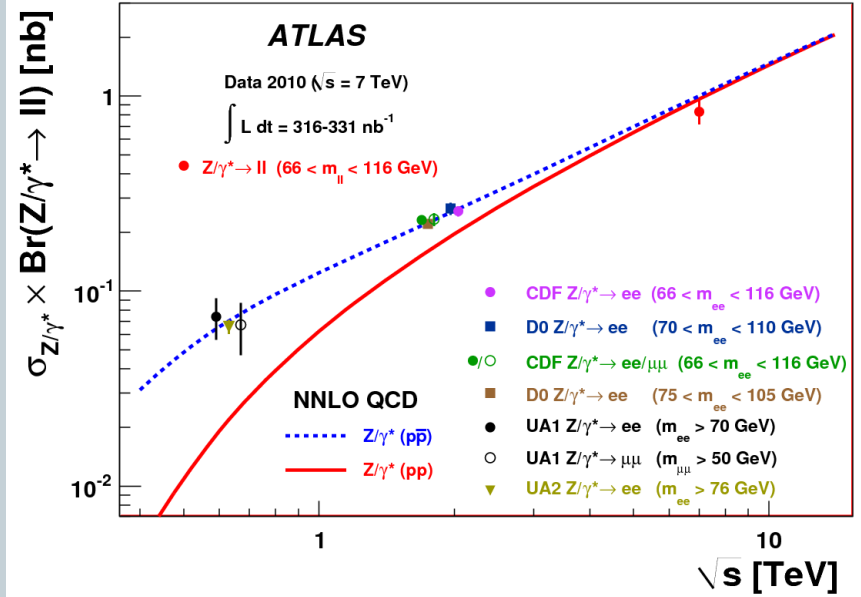
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$W \rightarrow lv$

$Z \rightarrow ll$



$$\sigma_W^{\text{tot}} \cdot \text{BR}(W \rightarrow lv) = 9.96 \pm 0.23(\text{stat}) \pm 0.50(\text{syst}) \pm 1.10(\text{lumi}) \text{ nb}$$

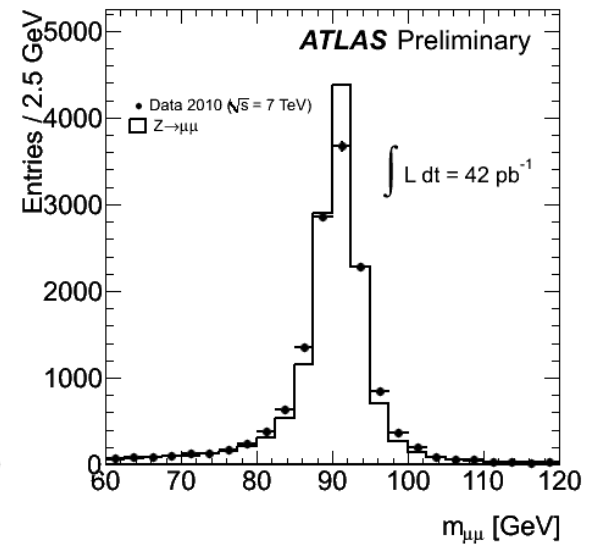
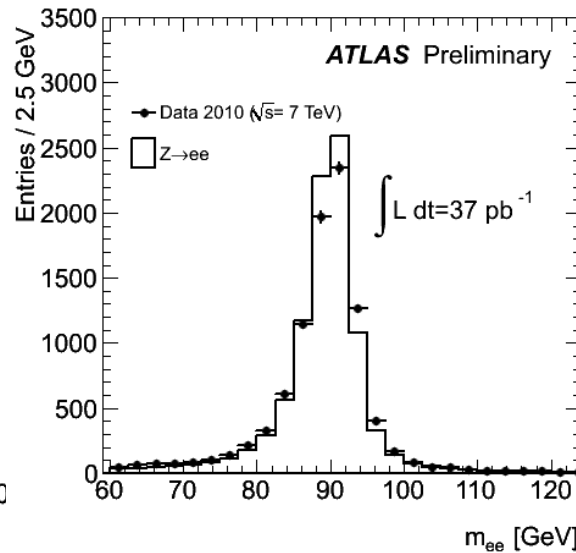
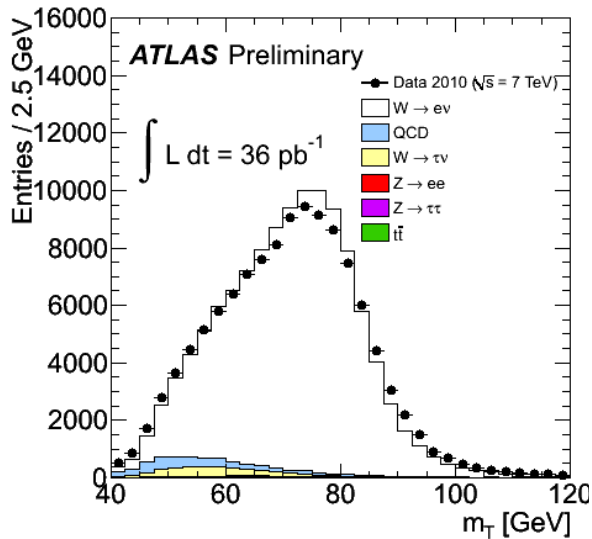
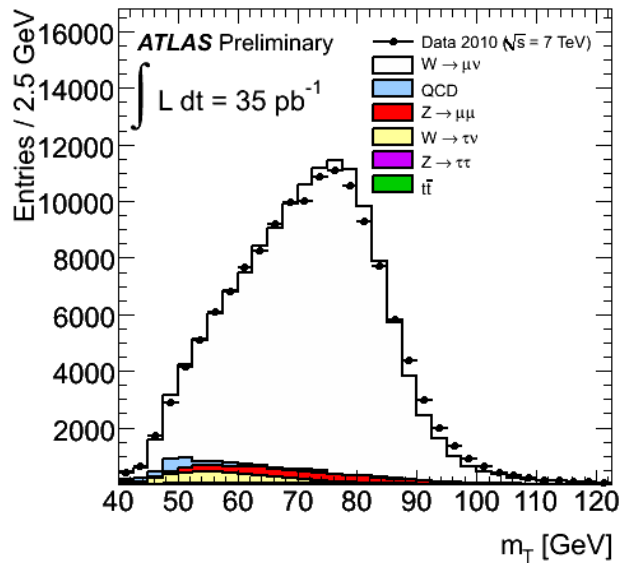


$$\sigma_{Z/\gamma^*}^{\text{tot}} \cdot \text{BR}(Z/\gamma^* \rightarrow ll) = 0.82 \pm 0.06(\text{stat}) \pm 0.05(\text{syst}) \pm 0.09(\text{lumi}) \text{ nb}$$

- LHC & ATLAS continue the tradition of electroweak boson measurements and extend the field to new energies.
- Important tests of the Standard Model!

W & Z – updated results

- New cross sections very soon public, using full 2010 data.
- We already have many public plots of the W & Z kinematic distributions.



Muon charge asymmetry from W^\pm

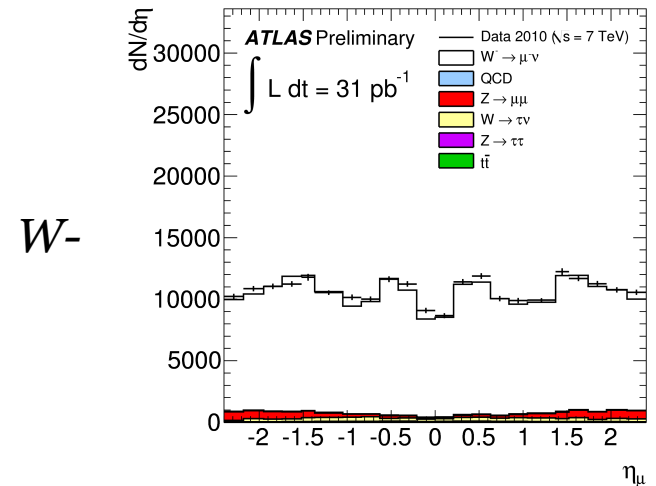
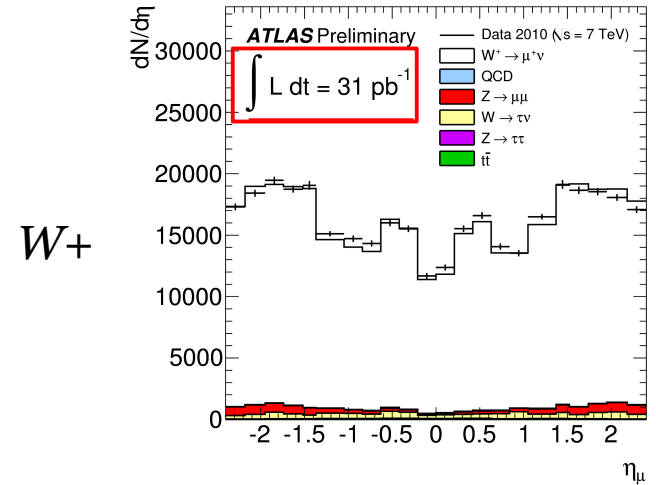
- In proton-proton collisions the production rate of W^+ is significantly larger than W^- .
 - The proton contains two u and one d valence quarks.
 - The W asymmetry depends on the momentum fraction x of the partons, which we observe as a dependence on η .

$$x_{1,2} = \frac{m_W}{\sqrt{s}} \cdot e^{\pm y}, y \simeq \eta$$

- What we measure:

$$A_\mu = \frac{d\sigma_{W\mu^+}/d\eta_\mu - d\sigma_{W\mu^-}/d\eta_\mu}{d\sigma_{W\mu^+}/d\eta_\mu + d\sigma_{W\mu^-}/d\eta_\mu}$$

- This is the second analysis of this asymmetry from ATLAS.
 - The first analysis used 310 nb^{-1} and 2 η -bins.



Charge asymmetry from W^\pm – uncertainties

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Systematics:

- Trigger efficiency (2-7%)
 - Geometrical acceptance η dependent.
- Muon reconstruction efficiency (1-7%)
 - Geometrical acceptance η dependent.
- Muon momentum scale and resolution (1-2%)
- Luminosity (1%)

● Statistical uncertainty:

- Statistical uncertainty is similar to systematic uncertainty per η bin. Typical values for both sources:
 - ~4% in endcaps
 - ~6% in barrel

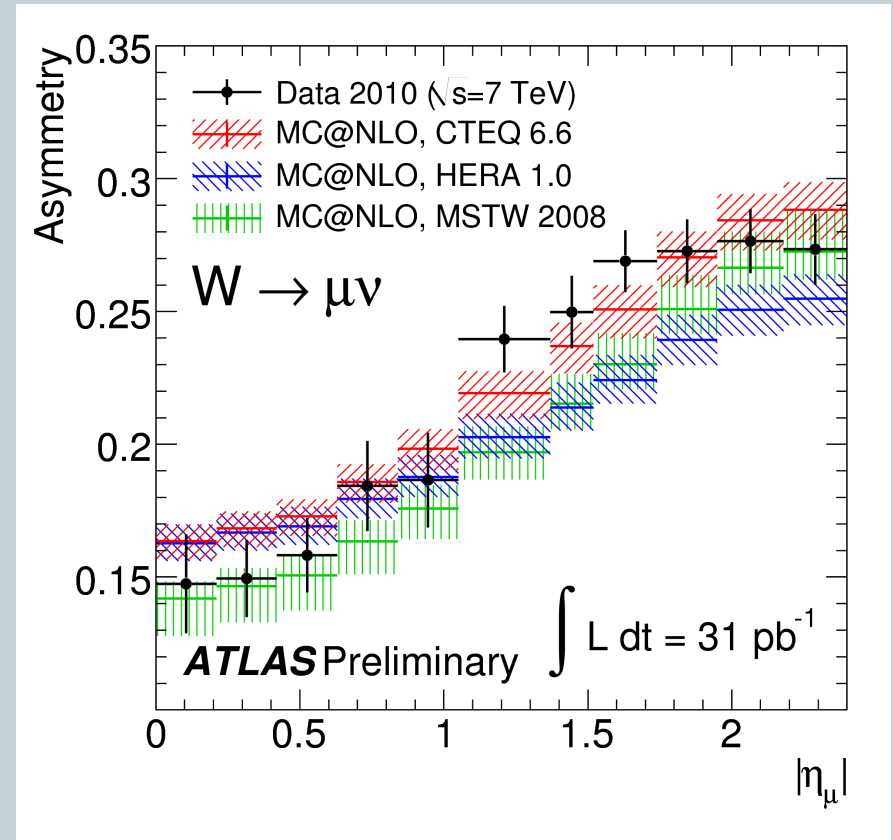
Main backgrounds:

- $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$, with one μ missed. (3%)
 - $W \rightarrow \tau\nu$, with $\tau \rightarrow \mu$. (2%)
 - $Z \rightarrow \tau\tau$, with one $\tau \rightarrow \mu$. (1%)
 - $t\bar{t} \rightarrow b\bar{b}q\bar{q}\nu\mu$. (1%)
 - Multijet events with $b/c \rightarrow \mu$. (<1%)
- **Total: 7% background**
- Implies systematic uncertainty of 1-2%.

Charge asymmetry from W^\pm – conclusions

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- W asymmetry increases with $|\eta|$.
 - Relates to parton distribution functions of valence quarks.
- Parton distribution functions agree the data.
 - We expect that these results will further constrain next generation PDF uncertainties.
 - Especially for low x valence quarks.



Charge asymmetry from W^\pm – conclusions

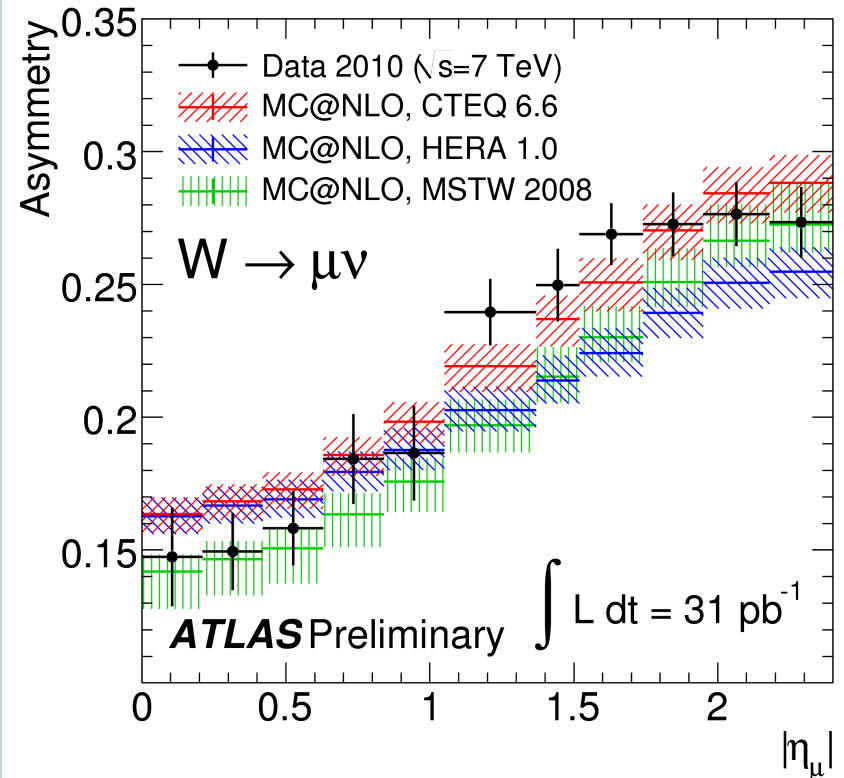
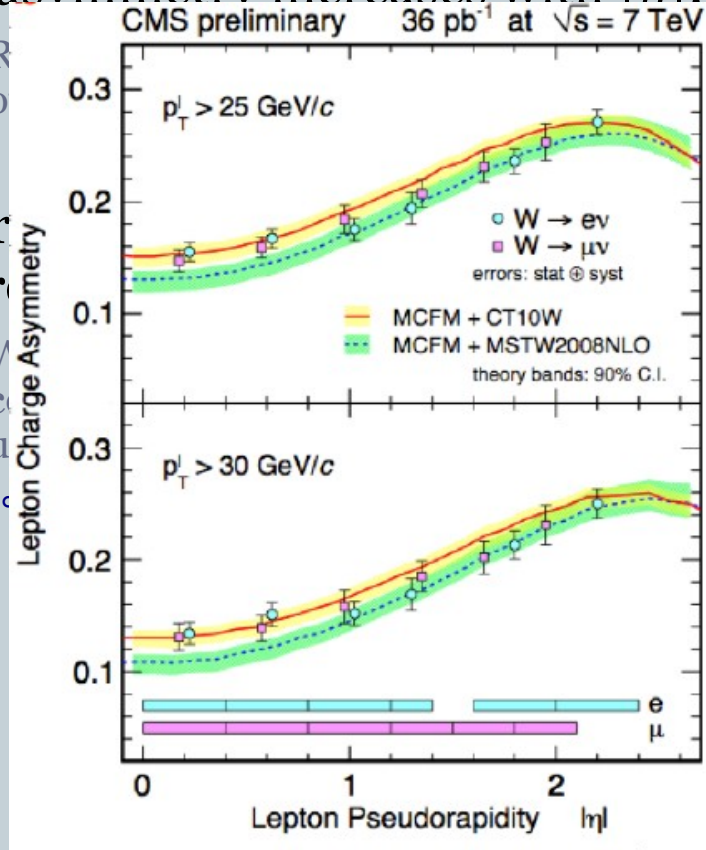
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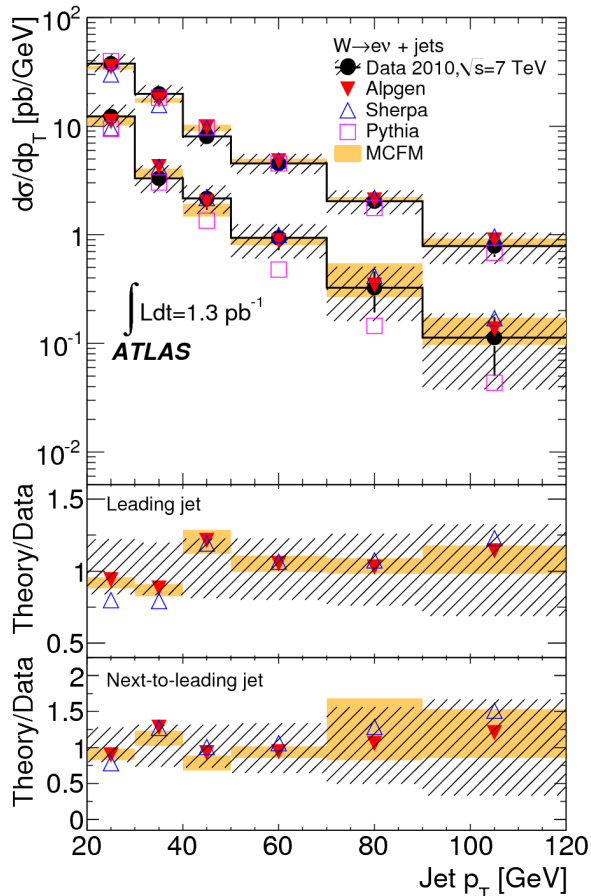


W +jets

$W \rightarrow e\nu + \text{jets}$

$W \rightarrow \mu\nu + \text{jets}$

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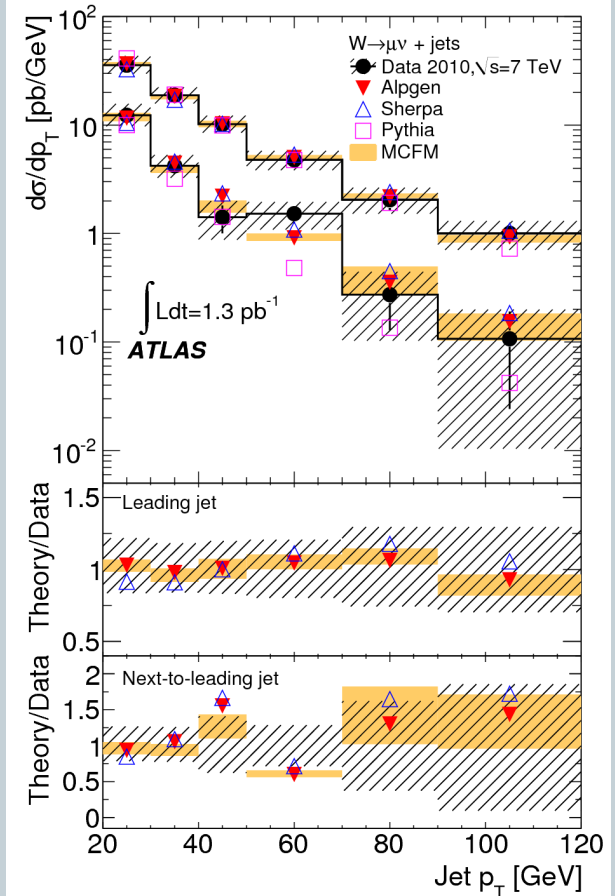


- With 1.3 pb^{-1} , we measured cross section also for $W/Z + \text{jets}$.
 - Important test of QCD
 - Input to many physics analysis
 - See talk by E. Meoni Tuesday!
- Here: $W \rightarrow l\nu + \text{jets}$ cross section as function of p_T of two leading jets.

Pythia: Leading-order generator

Alpgen, Sherpa: Match N+1 ME to a LL parton shower (rescaled to NNLO inclusive XS)

MCFM: NLO prediction at parton level for $N_{\text{jet}} \leq 2$, LO for $N_{\text{jet}} = 3$

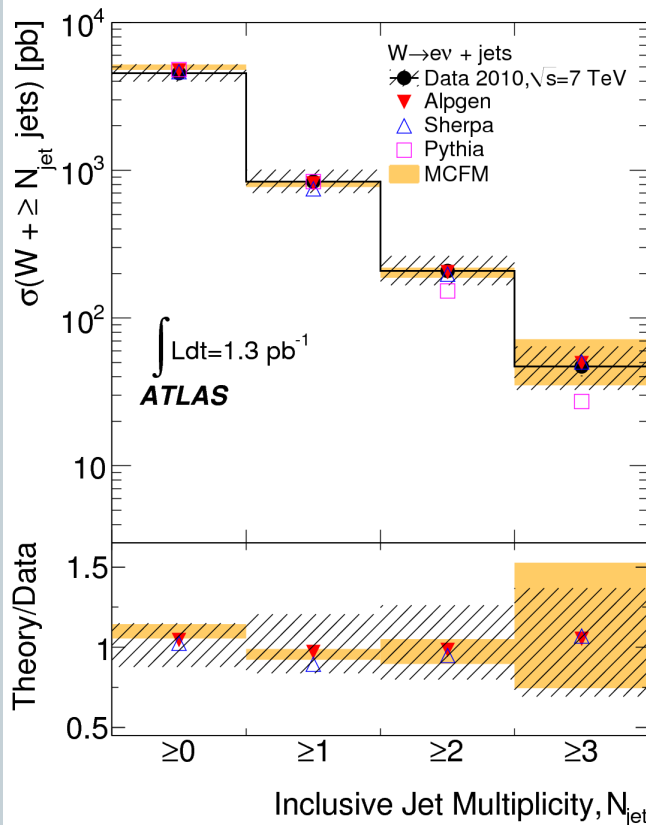


W+jets – jet multiplicity

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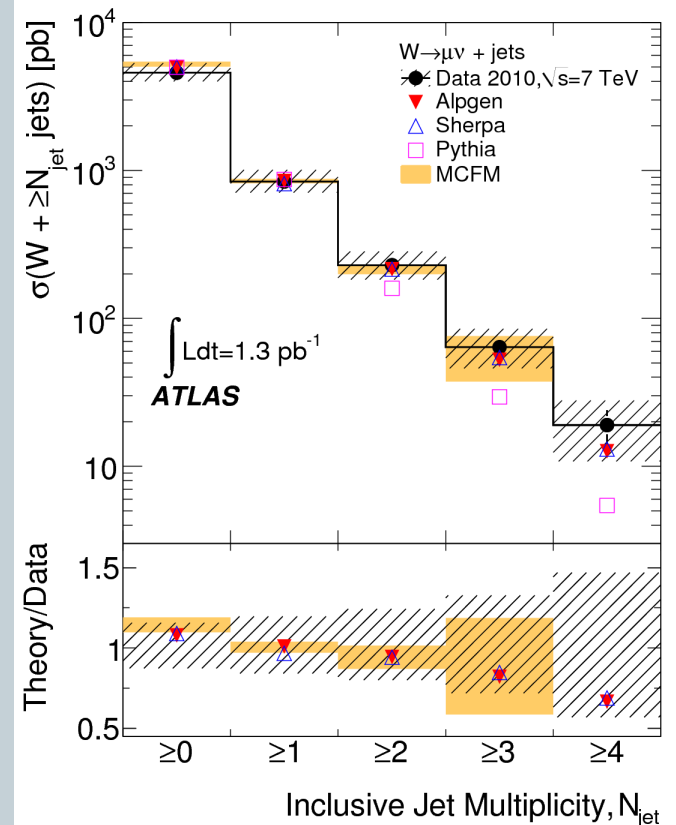
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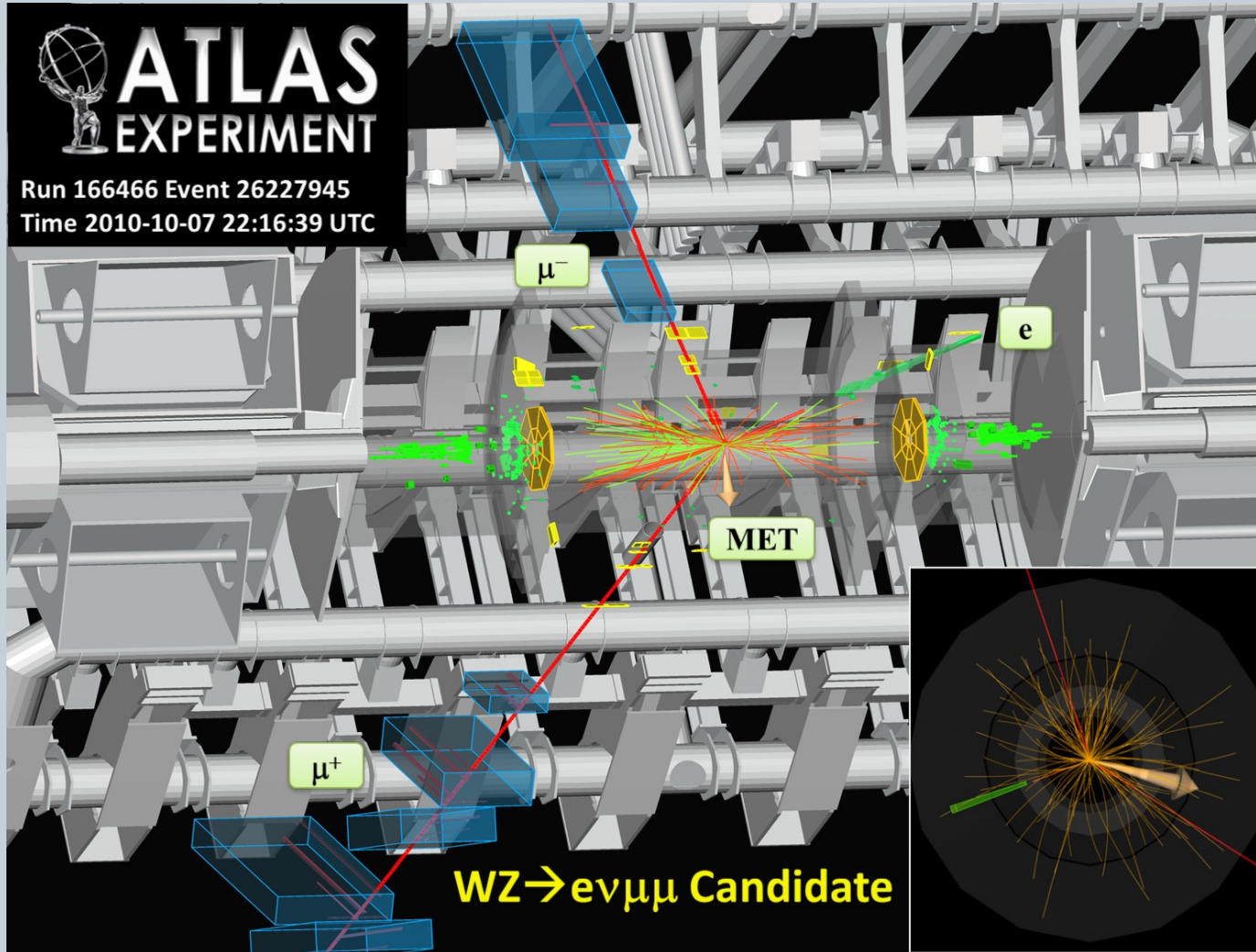


Also the observed jet multiplicity agrees with simulation.

- The theoretical uncertainty is only shown for MCFM.
- Pythia does not reproduce the data at high jet multiplicity.
 - $2 \rightarrow 2$ at matrix element level + additional jets from parton shower is insufficient.
- The uncertainties between bins are correlated.



Di-bosons



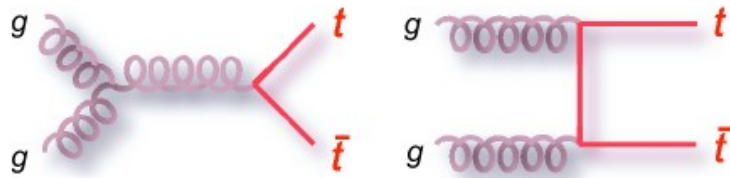
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- Searches for di-boson events ongoing!
 - Full analysis not finalized yet.
- WZ candidate on the left:
 - $M(\mu\mu) = 96$ GeV
 - Muon $p_T = 65$ GeV & 40 GeV
 - $M_{T}(ev) = 57$ GeV
 - Electron $E_T = 65$
 - Neutrino $E_T = 21$ GeV

The top quark

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Main LHC production modes (~80-85%) are gluon fusion:

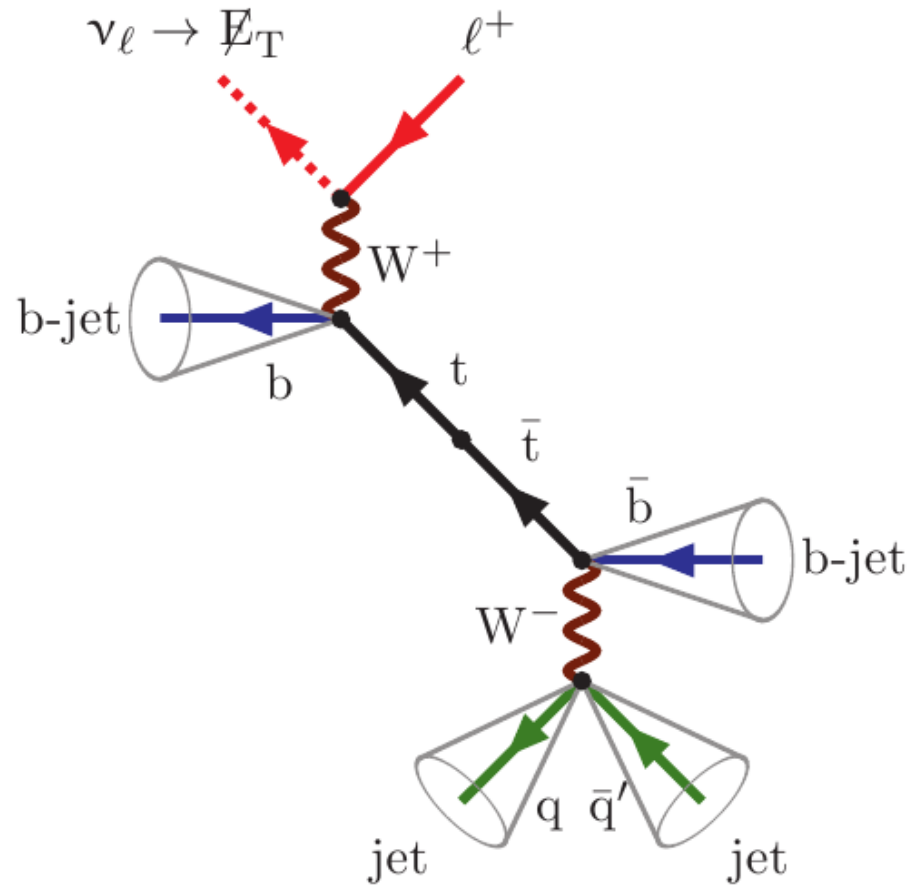


(remaining 15-20% is $q\bar{q}$ -annihilation)

Decay modes:

- ▶ **dileptonic**: $t\bar{t} \rightarrow b\bar{b}l^+l^-\nu_l\bar{\nu}_l$
2 jets, 2 leptons, E_T^{miss} 6.5%
- ▶ **semi-leptonic**: $t\bar{t} \rightarrow b\bar{b}q\bar{q}'l\nu_l$
4 jets, 1 lepton, E_T^{miss} 37.9%
- ▶ **fully hadronic**: $t\bar{t} \rightarrow b\bar{b}q\bar{q}'q''\bar{q}'''$
6 jets 55.6%

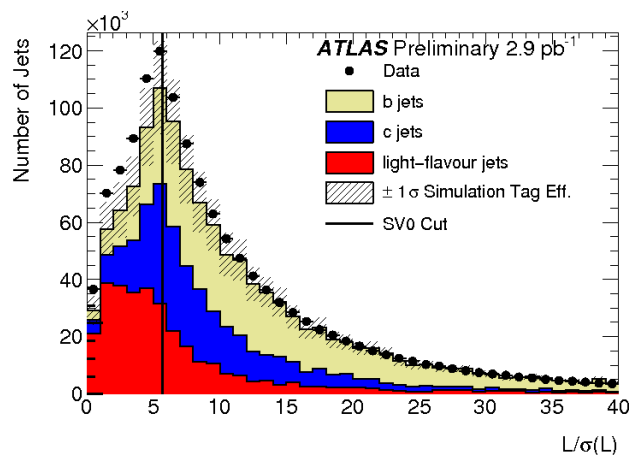
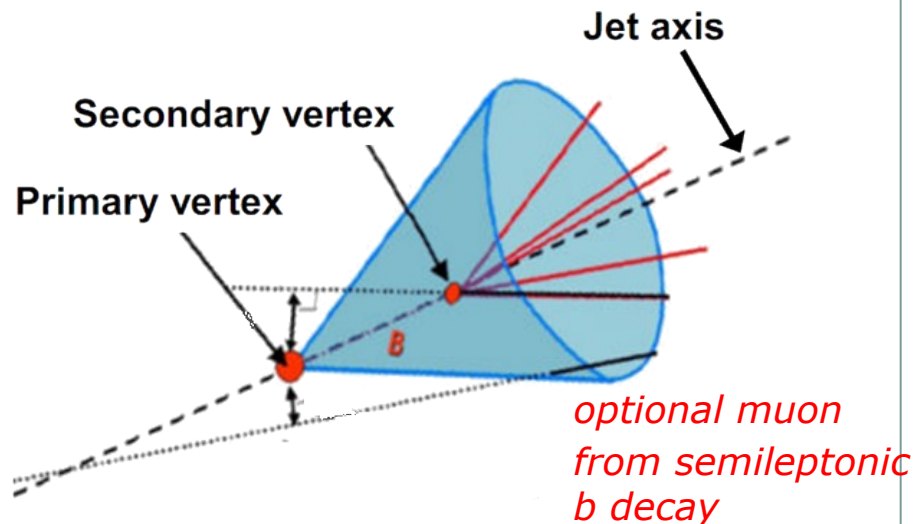
NB: $\tau \rightarrow e, \mu$, or hadrons



Additional jets come from ISR/FSR.

B-tagging

- Identification of jets originating from b -quarks very important in top physics.
- General concept: Exploit relatively long lifetime of B -hadrons resulting in flight times of $O(\text{few})$ mm.
 - Identifiable secondary decay vertex.

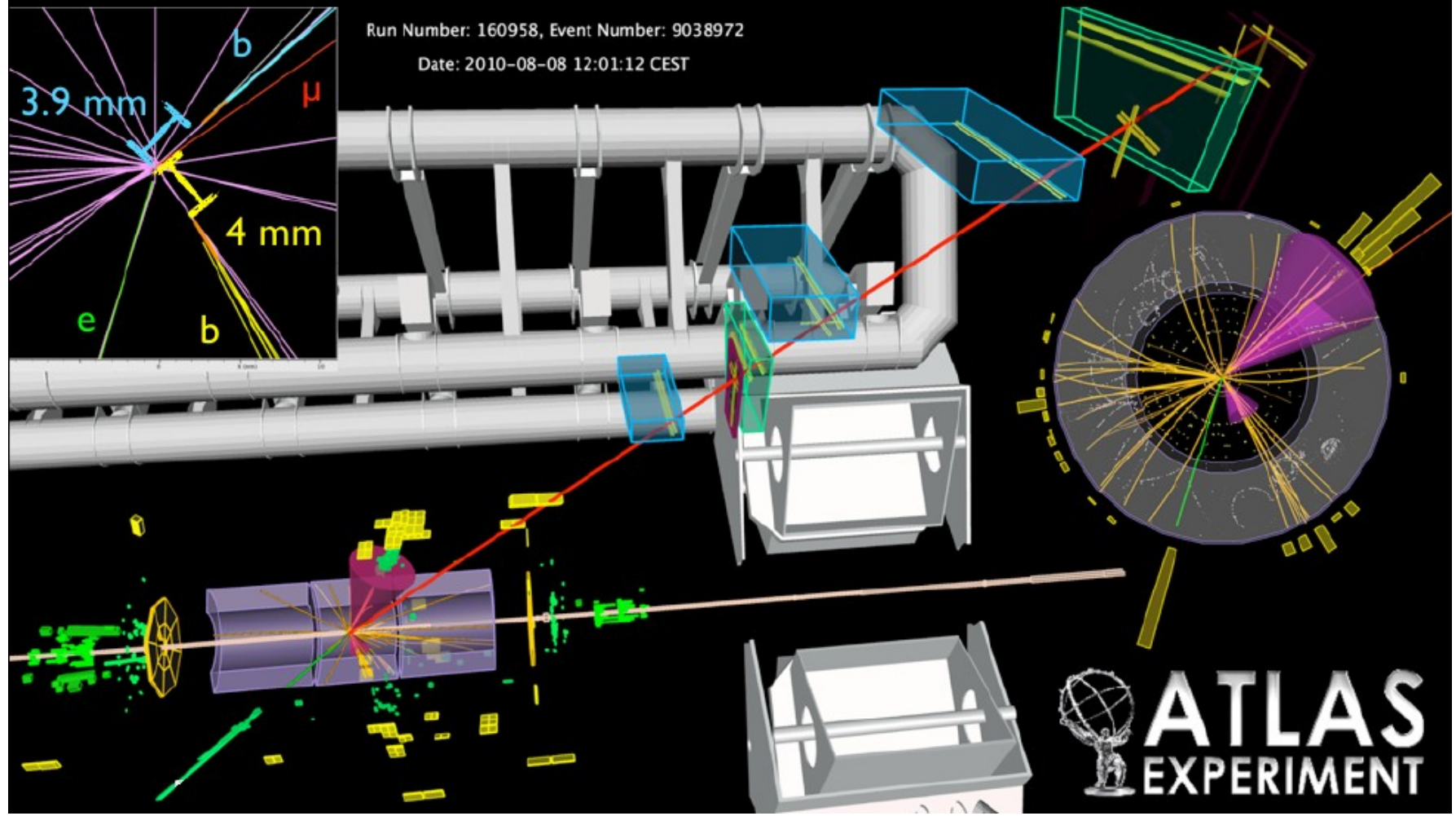


- Multiple techniques possible
 - here comparatively simple and robust method exploited: selection based on decay length significance $L / \sigma(L)$
 - Working point gives 50% efficiency for identifying b in $t\bar{t}$, at mistag rate $< 1\%$.

$e + \mu + 2 b$ -tagged jets

$p_T(\mu) = 51 \text{ GeV}$; $p_T(e) = 66 \text{ GeV}$; $p_T(\text{b-tag jets}) = 174, 45 \text{ GeV}$; $E_T^{\text{miss}} = 113 \text{ GeV}$
Secondary vertices vertex mass = $\sim 2 \text{ GeV}$, $\sim 4 \text{ GeV}$; Purity: $> 96\%$

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Backgrounds – single lepton channel

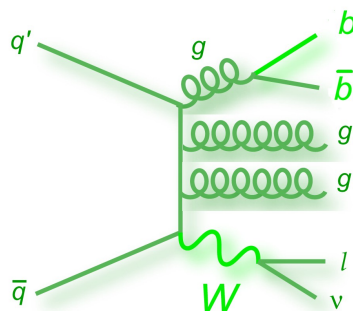
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- Multi-jet events.

- One lepton from a jet instead of the W .
- Reduced by:
 - isolation criteria on the lepton
 - B-tagging at least one of the jets

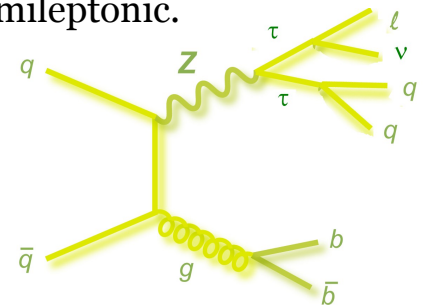
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- Irreducible:
 - $W+b\bar{b}$ +jets.



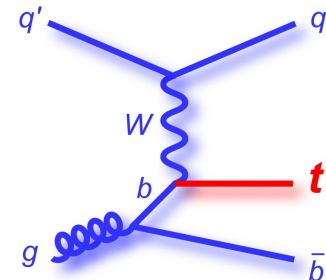
- Z +jets

- Where one lepton is not found \rightarrow fake missing E_T
- Irreducible:
 - $Z+b\bar{b}+\tau\tau$ semileptonic.



- Single top + jets.

- Irreducible



Estimating multi-jet background – single lepton channel

μ +jets contrib. from heavy flavour decays

- Use Matrix method: Define a loose selection in addition to the one used in the main event selection:

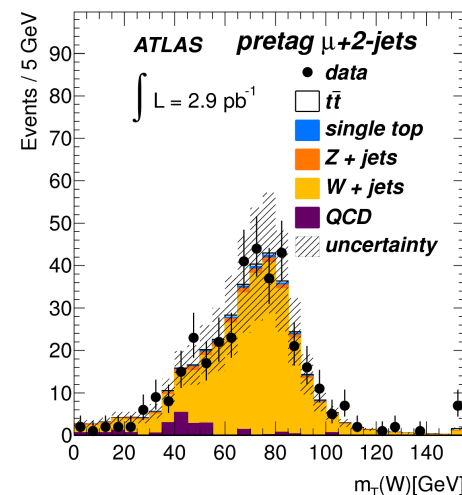
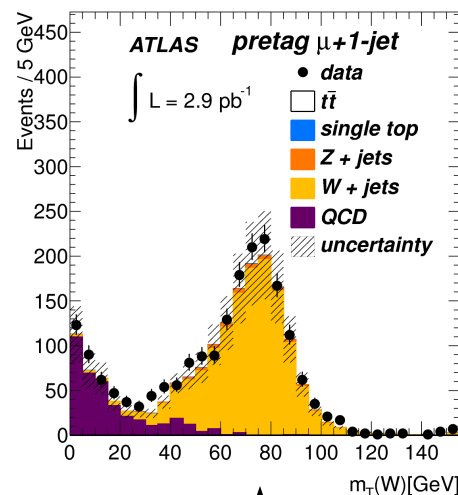
$$N^{\text{loose}} = N_{\text{real}}^{\text{loose}} + N_{\text{fake}}^{\text{loose}},$$

$$N^{\text{std}} = r N_{\text{real}}^{\text{loose}} + f N_{\text{fake}}^{\text{loose}}$$

- r measured in $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$ events
- f measured in 2 separate QCD enriched control regions

e + jets contribution from heavy flavour, γ $\rightarrow ee, \pi^\pm$

- Use E_T^{miss} template fitting method where QCD templates are obtained from 2 separate control regions.
 - Jets with high EM fraction.
 - Events with bad track quality.

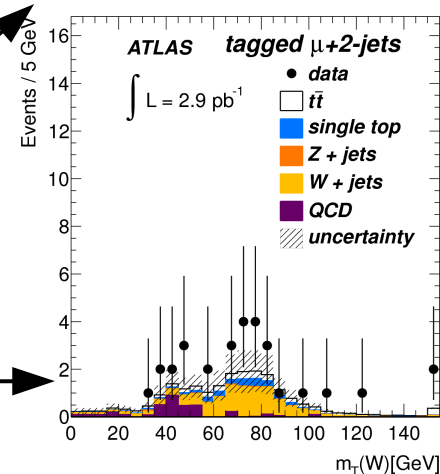


No $E_T^{\text{miss}} + m_T(W)$,

1 jet, no b -tag

2 jets, no b -tag

2jets, all cuts included



Estimating W +jet background – single lepton channel

Fraction which are b -tagged

Number of W +4jets events

$$W^{\text{tagged}-\geq 4\text{jet}} = W^{\text{pretag}-\geq 4\text{jet}} \cdot f_{\text{tagged}}^{\geq 4\text{-jet}}$$

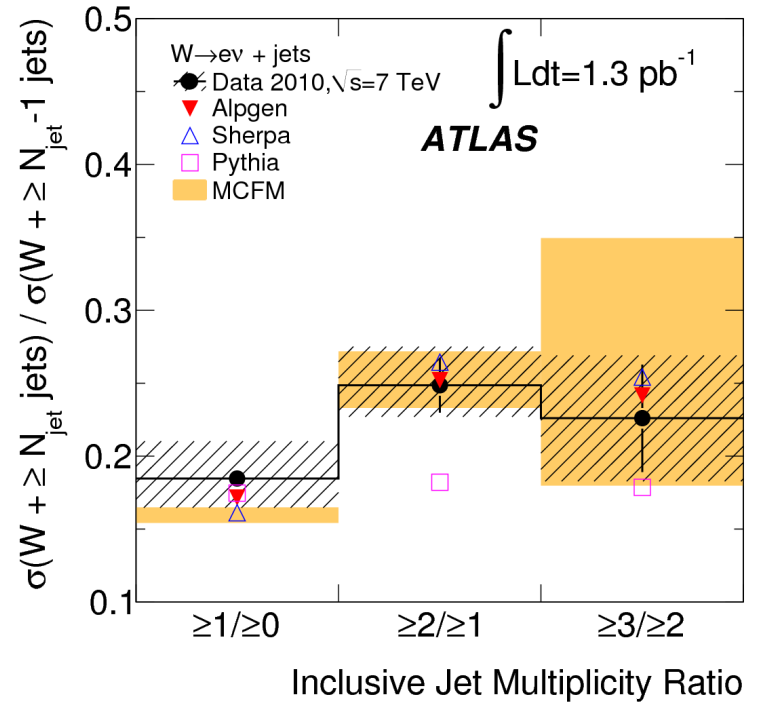
Number of W +4jets was extrapolated from low-jet multiplicity control sample using **Berends-Giele scaling**

$$\frac{W + (n+1) \text{ jets}}{W + n \text{ jets}} \sim \text{const}$$

$$f_{\text{tagged}}^{\geq 4\text{-jet}} = f_{\text{tagged}}^{2\text{-jet}} \cdot f_{2 \rightarrow \geq 4}^{\text{corr}}$$

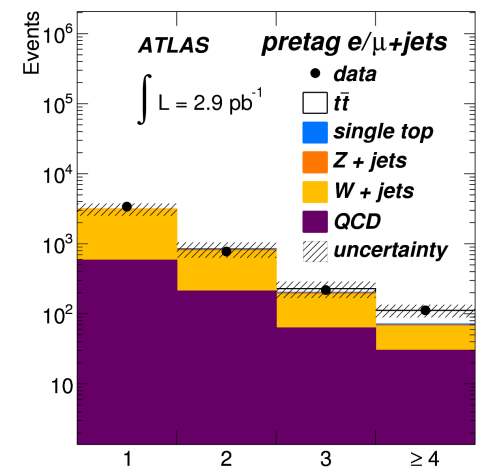
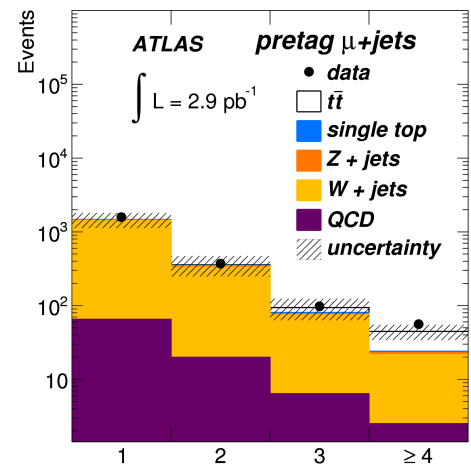
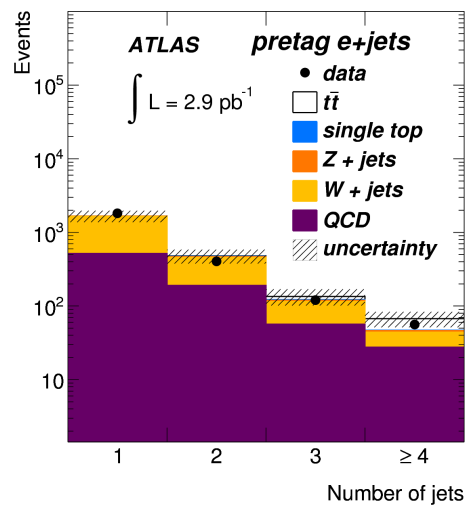
Tag fraction in 2-jet sample

Accounts for different flavor composition for 2-jet and 4-jet events. Estimated with ALPGEN.

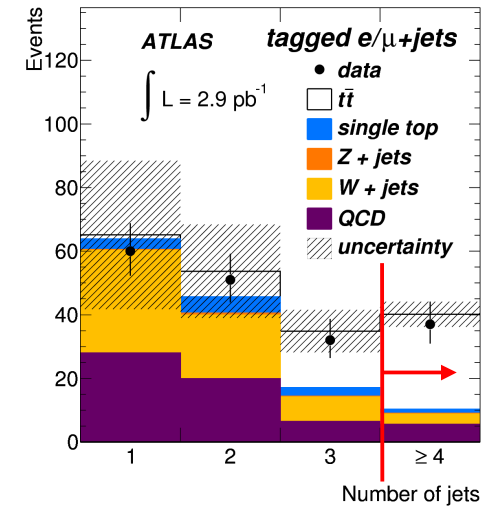
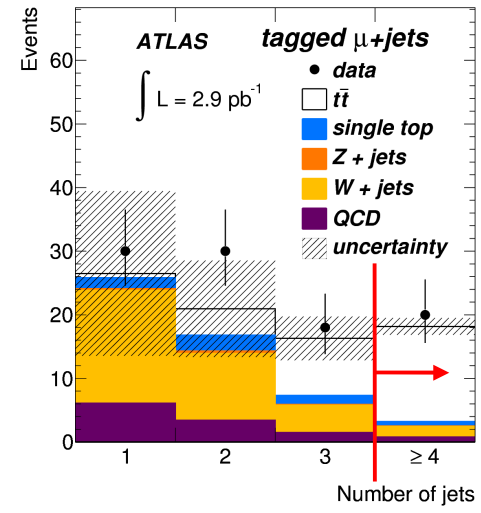
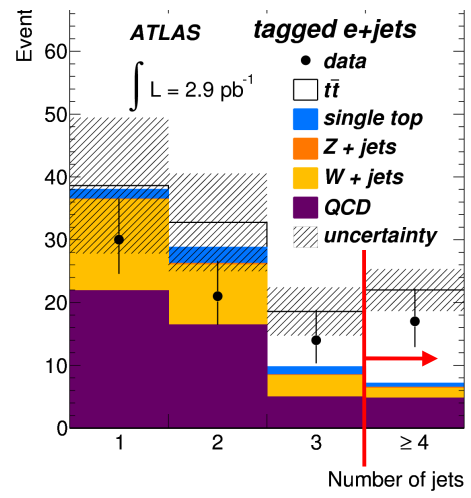


Jet multiplicities – single lepton channel

Before *b*-tagging



After *b*-tagging



Cross section determination – single lepton channel

Number of events passing all cuts:

	e+jets	μ +jets	combined
Observed	17	20	37
Total est. bkg	7.5 ± 3.1	4.7 ± 1.7	12.2 ± 3.9
$t\bar{t}$	$9.5 \pm 4.1 \pm 3.1$	$15.3 \pm 4.4 \pm 1.7$	$24.8 \pm 6.1 \pm 3.9$

$$\sigma_{t\bar{t}} = \frac{N_{\text{obs}} - N_{\text{bkg}}}{\int \mathcal{L} dt \cdot \epsilon_{t\bar{t}} \cdot \text{Br}(t\bar{t} \rightarrow \ell + \text{jets})} \quad \epsilon_{t\bar{t}} \cdot \text{Br}(t\bar{t} \rightarrow \ell + \text{jets}) = \begin{cases} 3.1 \pm 0.7\% & (\text{e} + \text{jets}) \\ 3.2 \pm 0.7\% & (\mu + \text{jets}) \end{cases}$$

Cross section after subtracting estimated background:

	e+jets	μ +jets	e/ μ +jets combined
Counting σ [pb]	$105 \pm 46 \begin{smallmatrix} +45 \\ -40 \end{smallmatrix}$	$168 \pm 49 \begin{smallmatrix} +46 \\ -38 \end{smallmatrix}$	$142 \pm 34 \begin{smallmatrix} +50 \\ -31 \end{smallmatrix}$

The result is confirmed by two fit based methods!

Backgrounds – di-lepton channel

- Multi-jet events.

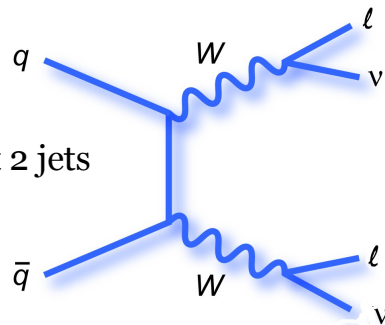
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- One lepton from a jet.

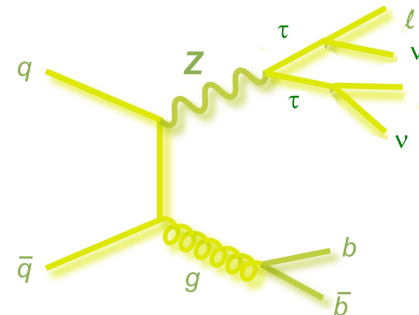
- Di-boson events.

- E.g., WW
- Reduced by
 - requiring at least 2 jets



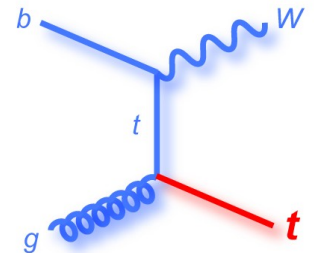
- Z+jets / Drell-Yan+jets

- Reduce by
 - $E_{T,miss} > 40$ GeV (ee), 30 GeV ($\mu\mu$)
 - Z mass veto
 - Scalar sum of $E_T > 150$ GeV for $e\mu$ channel
- Irreducible:
 - $Z+\tau\tau$ semileptonic.



- Single top + jets.

- Irreducible

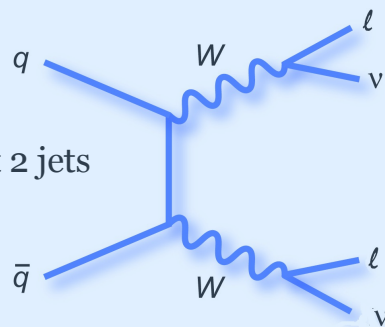


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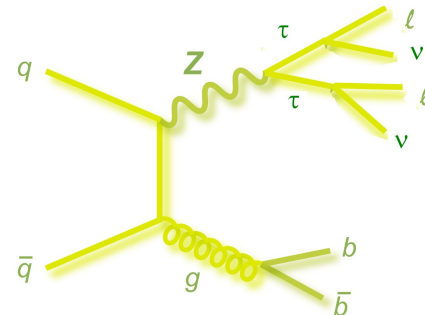
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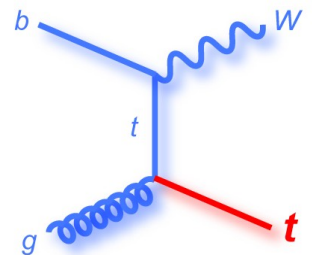
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 - $Z+\tau\tau$ semileptonic.

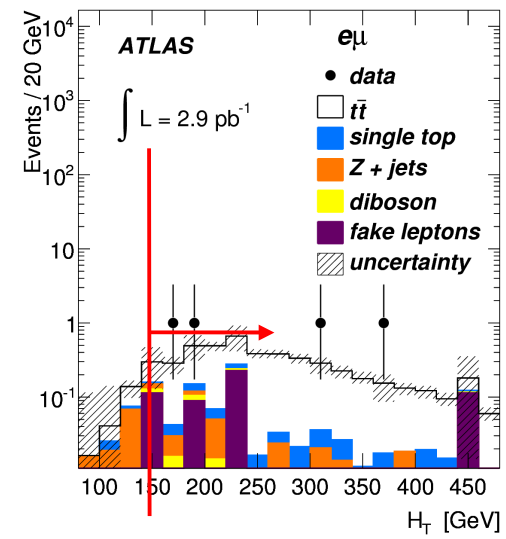
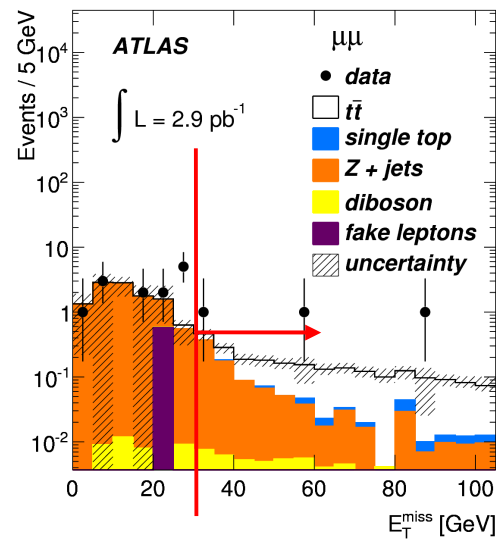
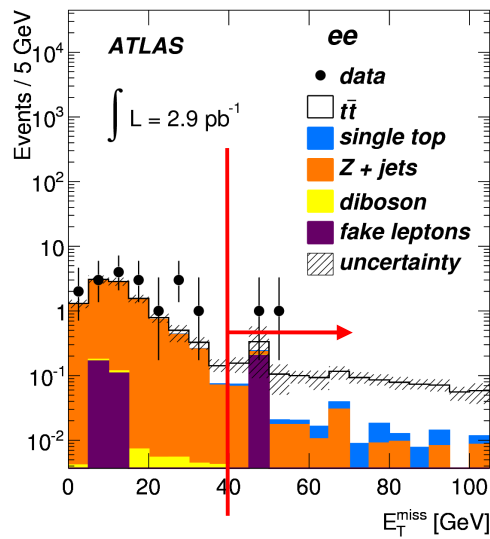


- Single top + jets.
 - Irreducible



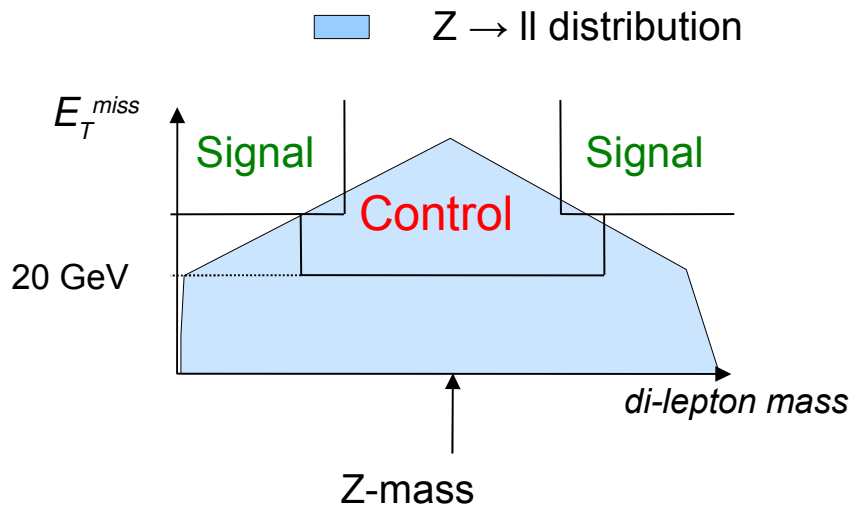
Missing energy & HT

– di-lepton channel



- The large Z/DY+jets background can be reduced by requiring missing transverse energy (neutrinos).
- Since $e\mu$ channel does not contain as many Z, a scalar sum of the transverse energy of all jets and leptons was used instead.

Estimating Z/Drell-Yan background – di-lepton channel

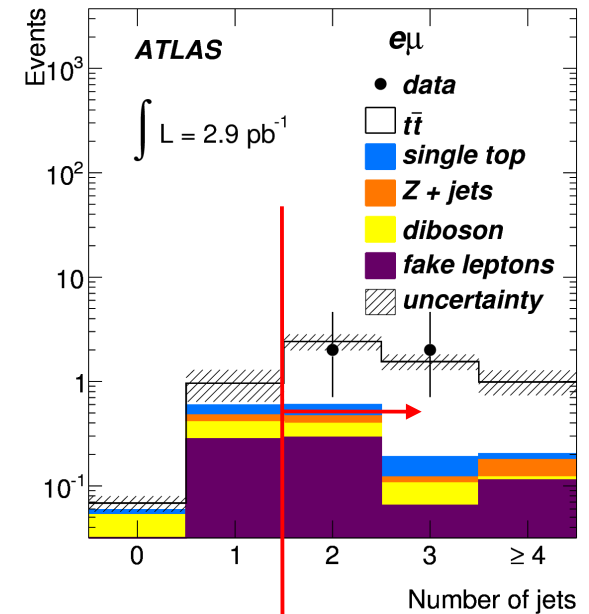
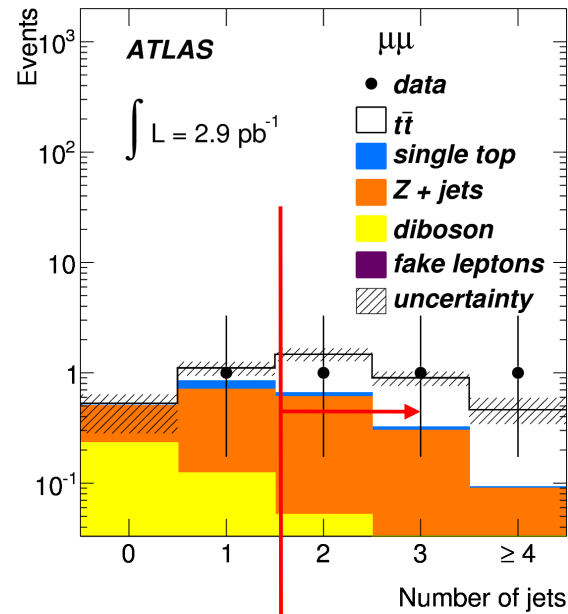
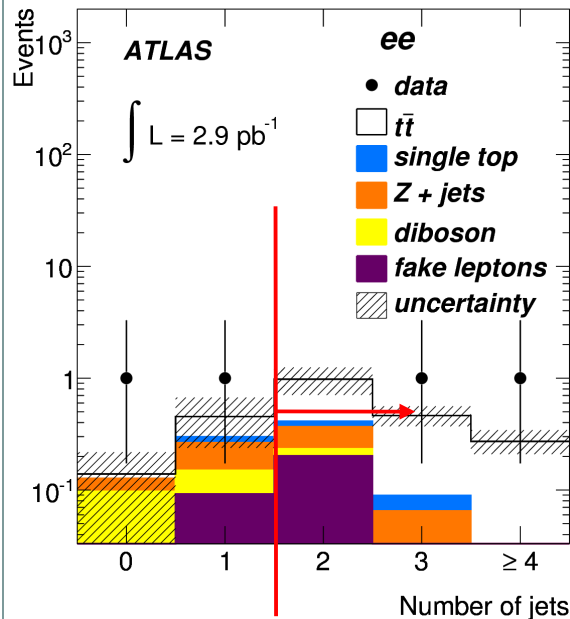


Process	ee	$\mu\mu$	$e\mu$
Z+jets (DD)	0.25 ± 0.18	0.67 ± 0.38	-
Z($\rightarrow \tau\tau$)+jets (MC)	0.07 ± 0.04	0.14 ± 0.07	0.13 ± 0.06
Non-Z leptons (DD)	0.16 ± 0.18	-0.08 ± 0.07	0.47 ± 0.28
single top (MC)	0.08 ± 0.02	0.07 ± 0.03	0.22 ± 0.04
dibosons (MC)	0.04 ± 0.02	0.07 ± 0.03	0.15 ± 0.05
Total predicted (non $t\bar{t}$)	0.60 ± 0.27	0.88 ± 0.40	0.97 ± 0.30
$t\bar{t}$	1.19 ± 0.19	1.87 ± 0.26	3.85 ± 0.51
Total predicted	1.79 ± 0.38	2.75 ± 0.55	4.82 ± 0.65
Observed	2	3	4

- Define control region in Z-window and below the E_T^{miss} -cut.
 - Control region = Z candidates
- Determine the ratio of events in control region and signal region from simulation.
- Estimate Z/DY contamination by counting number of events in control region, and multiply by the above ratio.

$$N_{\text{signal,data}} = N_{\text{control,data}} \times \frac{N_{\text{signal,MC}}}{N_{\text{control,MC}}}$$

Jet multiplicities – di-lepton channel



- Di-leptons left after selection:

- 2 ee (2 pass b -tagging)
- 3 $\mu\mu$ (1 pass b -tagging)
- 4 $e\mu$ (2 pass b -tagging)

(Uncertainty on b -tagging efficiency implies that a better cross section estimate is obtained with untagged jets.)

Cross section determination – di-lepton channel

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Cross section after subtracting estimated background:

$$\sigma_{t\bar{t}} = \frac{N_{\text{obs}} - N_{\text{bkg}}}{\int \mathcal{L} dt \cdot \epsilon_{t\bar{t}} \cdot \text{Br}(t\bar{t} \rightarrow \ell\ell)}$$

From MC: $\epsilon_{t\bar{t}} \cdot \text{Br}(t\bar{t} \rightarrow \ell\ell) = \begin{cases} 0.24\% & (ee) \\ 0.38\% & (\mu\mu) \\ 0.81\% & (e\mu) \end{cases}$

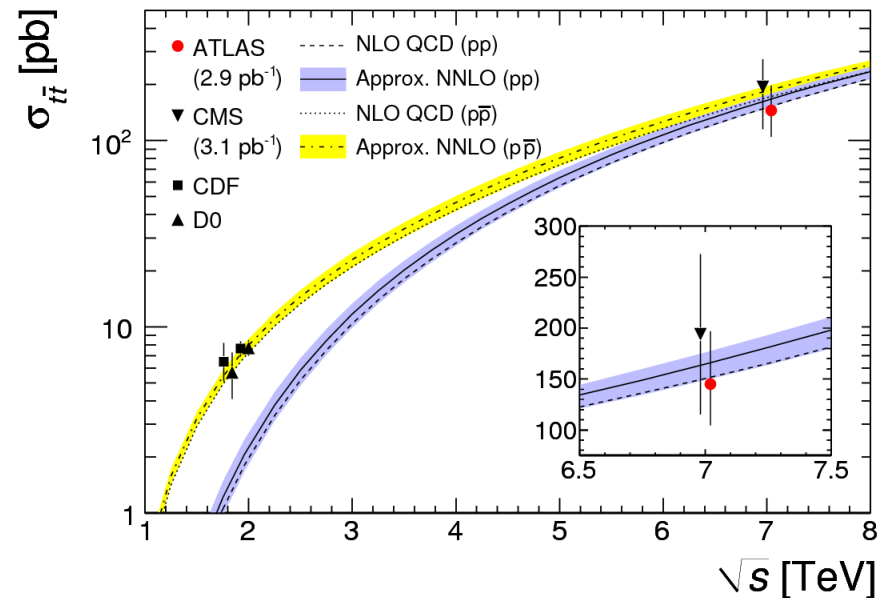
Channel	$\sigma_{t\bar{t}}$ [pb]
ee	193 ⁺²⁴³ ₋₁₅₂ ⁺⁸⁴ ₋₄₈
$\mu\mu$	185 ⁺¹⁸⁴ ₋₁₂₄ ⁺⁵⁶ ₋₄₇
e μ	129 ⁺¹⁰⁰ ₋₇₂ ⁺³² ₋₁₈
Combined	151 ⁺⁷⁸ ₋₆₂ ⁺³⁷ ₋₂₄

Combining all channels

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	Cross-section [pb]	Signal significance [σ]
Single lepton channels	$142 \pm 34^{+50}_{-31}$	4.0
Dilepton channels	$151^{+78}_{-62} {}^{+37}_{-24}$	2.8
All channels	$145 \pm 31^{+42}_{-27}$	4.8

- Combining all single lepton and di-lepton channels in a joint likelihood fit.
 - Accounts for all systematics and correlations.
- The results agrees with theoretical prediction.
 - Agreement between ATLAS & CMS results.

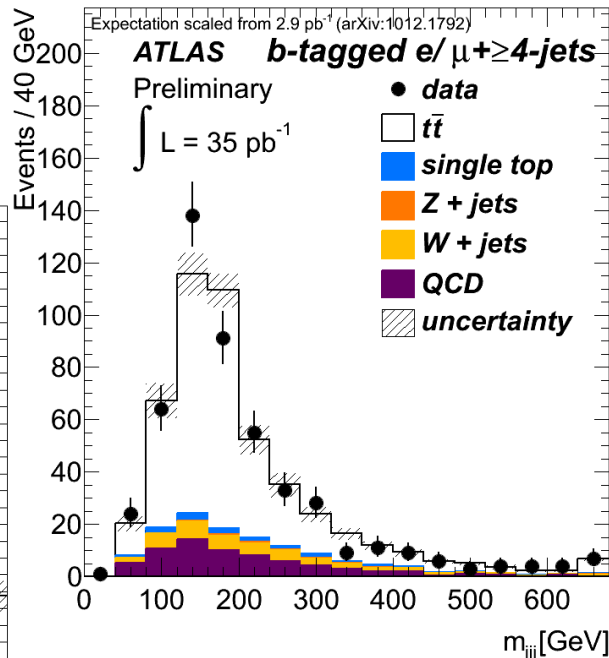
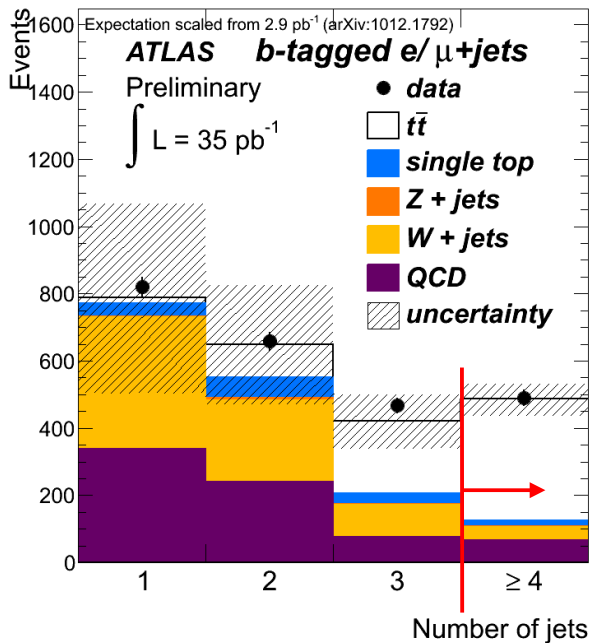


Updating the $t\bar{t}$ results

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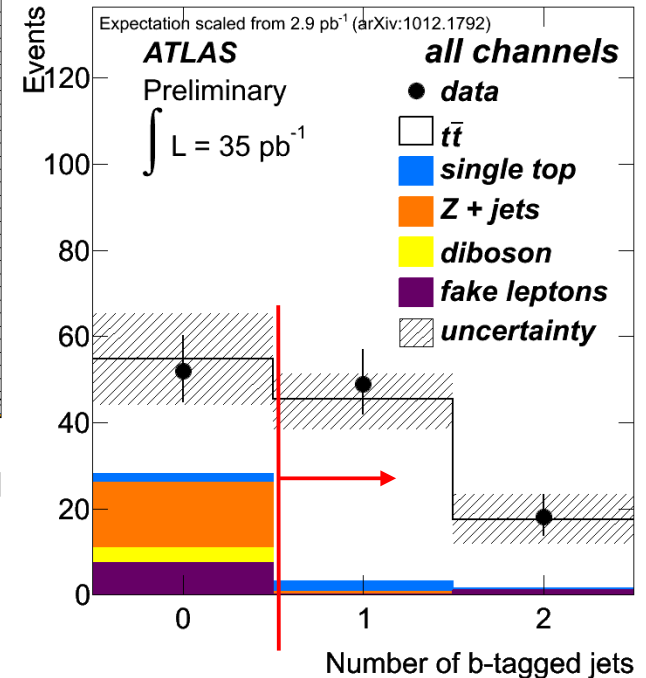
- The whole analysis is being updated with full 2010 data.
 - >1 order of magnitude more events.

- Jet multiplicity in single lepton channel.



- Invariant mass of 3-jet combinations in single lepton channel.

- Number of b -tagged jets in di-lepton channel.



Summary

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- Many Standard Model measurements were made.

- **W & Z cross section**

- The measurements agree with theory.

$$\sigma_W^{\text{tot}} \cdot \text{BR}(W \rightarrow \ell\nu) = 9.96 \pm 0.23(\text{stat}) \pm 0.50(\text{syst}) \pm 1.10(\text{lumi}) \text{ nb}$$

$$\sigma_{Z/\gamma^*}^{\text{tot}} \cdot \text{BR}(Z/\gamma^* \rightarrow \ell\ell) = 0.82 \pm 0.06(\text{stat}) \pm 0.05(\text{syst}) \pm 0.09(\text{lumi}) \text{ nb}$$

- **$W \rightarrow \mu\nu$ asymmetry**

- New analysis using 31 pb⁻¹.
- Will provide useful information for low x .

- **W/Z + jets cross section**

- Measured cross section as function of jet multiplicity agrees with NLO simulation.

- ATLAS has measured the top pair production cross-section at the LHC in the first 2.9 pb⁻¹ of data.

- The cross-section is measured to be

$$\sigma_{t\bar{t}} = 145 \pm 31_{-27}^{+42} \text{ pb}$$

- Agreement was found:

- between the 5 subchannels ($e^{\pm}, \mu^{\pm}, e^+e^-, \mu^+\mu^-, e^{\pm}\mu^{\mp}$)
- in kinematic properties of selected events with SM $t\bar{t}$ production

- with (NLO/NNLO) QCD predictions

$$\sigma_{t\bar{t}} = 164_{-15.7}^{+11.4} \text{ pb}$$

- with CMS

$$\sigma_{t\bar{t}} = 194 \pm 72 (\text{stat.}) \pm 24 (\text{syst.}) \pm 21 (\text{lumi.}) \text{ pb}$$

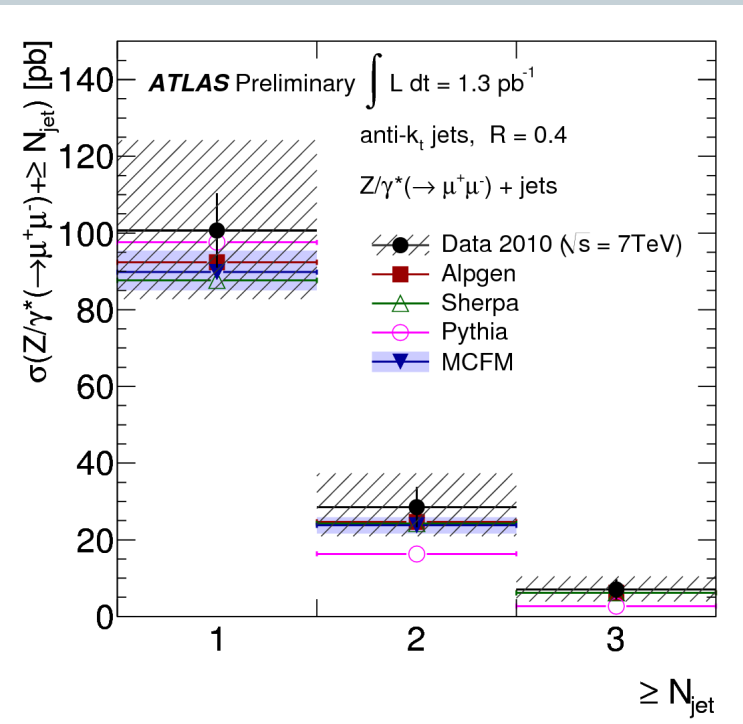
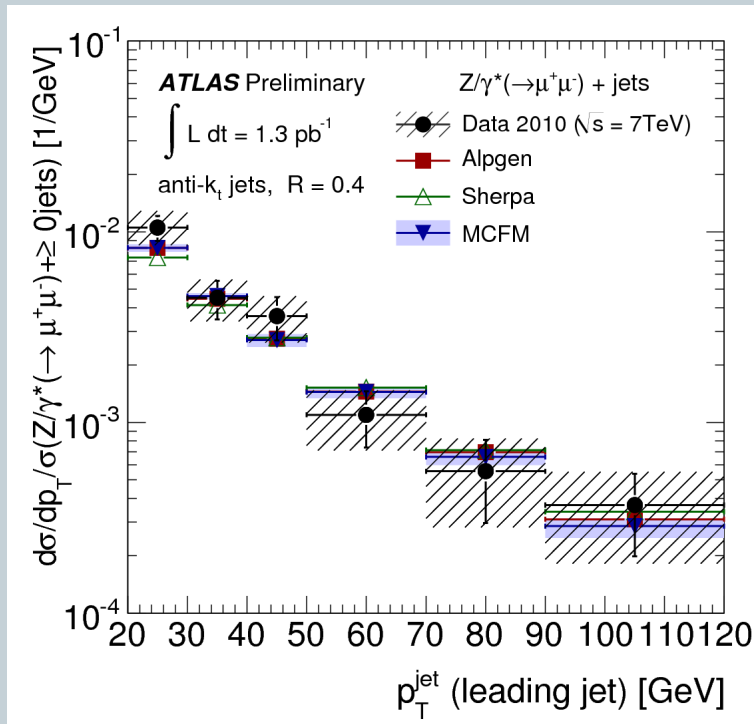
Backup slides

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Z+jets

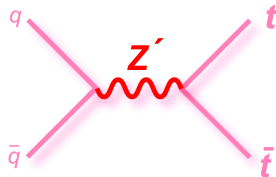
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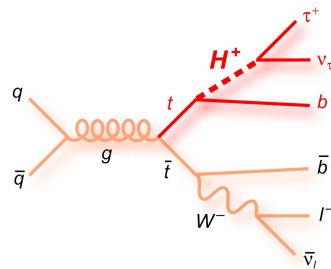
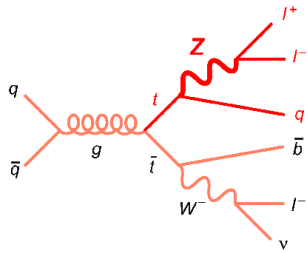
Motivation to study top quarks

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- Precision EW+Higgs physics very sensitive to top mass.
- Top appears in many extensions to the Standard Model:
 - Heavy resonances $pp \rightarrow Z' \rightarrow t\bar{t}$



- FCNC (highly suppressed in SM)



- Charged Higgs

- Top as background:
 - Di-boson: WW, WZ, ZZ
 - Higgs: $H \rightarrow ZZ, \dots$
 - Susy: stops
 - ...
- To do list for 2011:
 - Top mass
 - Single top production cross-section
 - Top properties
 - Wtb vertex structure
 - top quark charge
 - spin correlations
 - FCNC
 - Heavy resonances

Event selection

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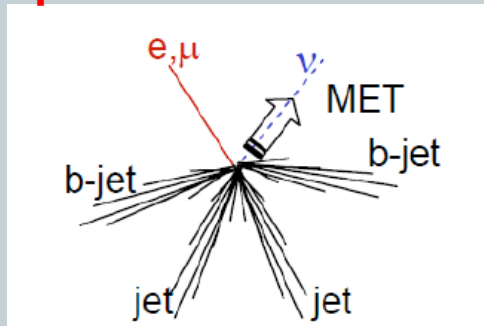
Cosmics, pile-up rejection: ≥ 5 tracks from primary vertex

Trigger: Single lepton trigger, $p_T > 10$ GeV (fully efficient at 20 GeV)

Leptons: electron or muon, $p_T > 20$ GeV, isolated (to suppress leptons from hadrons decaying in-flight and semi-leptonic production in heavy flavor jets), $|\eta| < 2.5$

Jets: anti-kt, $R=0.4$, $|\eta| < 2.5$

Single lepton channel



Exactly 1 lepton (e or μ)

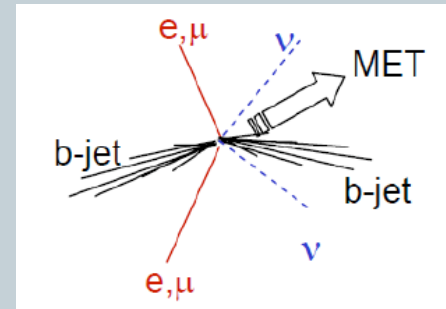
≥ 4 jets with $p_T > 25$ GeV

≥ 1 with b-tag (50% efficiency working point)

$ET_{\text{miss}} > 20$ GeV (reject QCD BG)

$ET_{\text{miss}} + m_T(W) > 60$ GeV (“triangular cut”)

Dilepton channel



Exactly 2 leptons (ee , $\mu\mu$, $e\mu$) with opposite charge

≥ 2 jets with $p_T > 20$ GeV, no b-tag

ee : $|M_{ee} - M_Z| > 5$ GeV, $ET_{\text{miss}} > 40$ GeV

$\mu\mu$: $|M_{\mu\mu} - M_Z| > 10$ GeV, $ET_{\text{miss}} > 30$ GeV

$e\mu$: $HT > 150$ GeV (HT is scalar sum of p_T of leptons and selected jets)

Cross section determination

- A binned likelihood fit was used to extract the cross-section.
 - Expected number of events:

$$N^{\text{exp}}(\sigma_{t\bar{t}}, \alpha_j) = L \cdot \epsilon_{t\bar{t}}(\alpha_j) \cdot \sigma_{t\bar{t}} + \sum_{\text{bkg}} L \cdot \epsilon_{\text{bkg}}(\alpha_j) \cdot \sigma_{\text{bkg}}(\alpha_j) + N_{\text{DD}}(\alpha_j)$$

- L = luminosity, ϵ = efficiency * acceptance, α = variation of acceptance and background due to systematic uncertainties.
- For each channel, define likelihood:

$$\mathcal{L}(\sigma_{t\bar{t}}, L, \alpha_j) = \text{Poisson}(N^{\text{obs}} | N^{\text{exp}}(\sigma_{t\bar{t}}, \alpha_j)) \times \text{Gauss}(L_0 | L, \delta_L) \times \prod_{j \in \text{syst}} \Gamma_j(\alpha_j)$$

Counting experiment → Use **Poisson** to model N^{obs} given N^{exp} (contains cross-section as fit parameter)

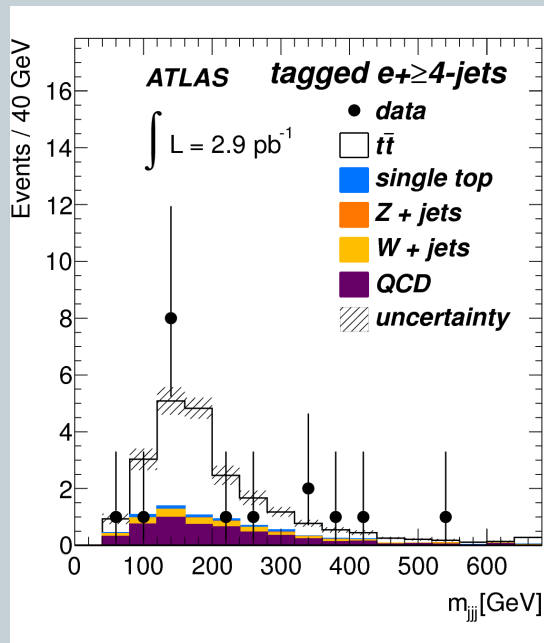
Luminosity uncertainty is a nuisance parameter, modelled by a **Gaussian**.
 $L_0 = 2.9 \text{ pb}^{-1}$, $\delta_L = 11\%$

Systematic uncertainties (JES, lepton efficiencies, uncertainties on data-driven measurements, etc) are modelled by **Gamma functions** (→ **Gaussian** at limit of small uncertainty)

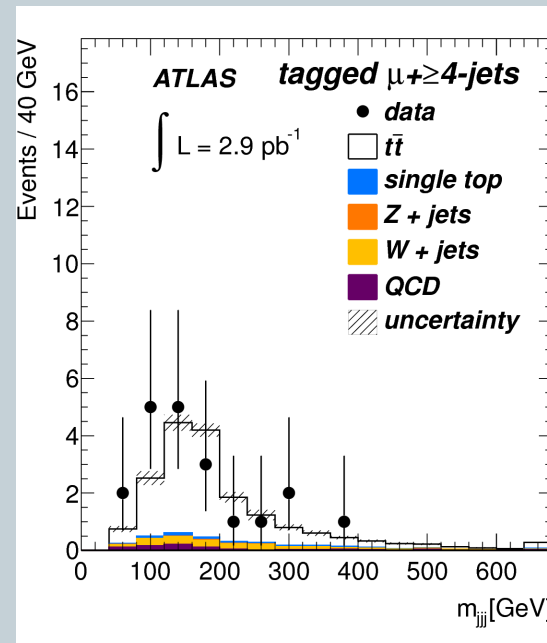
Cross section uncertainties

– single lepton channel

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Control plots:
Invariant mass
of jets



Uncertainty	Single electron	Single muon
Statistical	43%	29%
Jet energy scale	13%	11%
B-tagging efficiency	-10% / +15%	-10% / +14%
Multi-jet background	30%	2%
W+jet background	11%	11%