

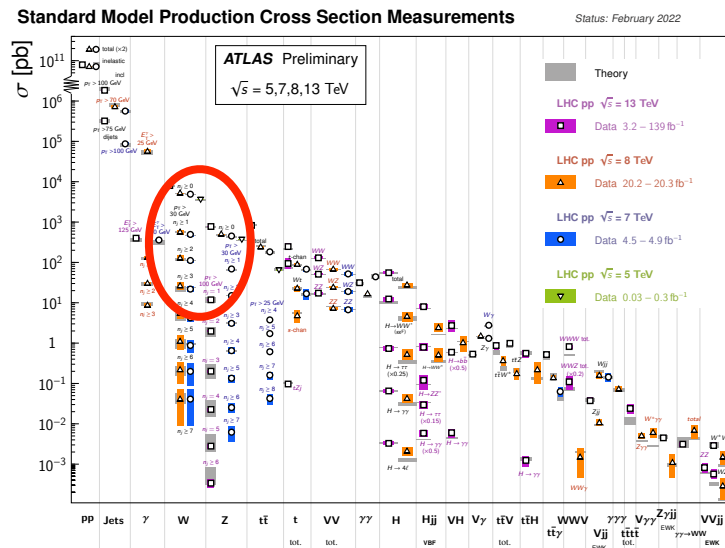
Measurements of W and Z boson production in association with jets in ATLAS

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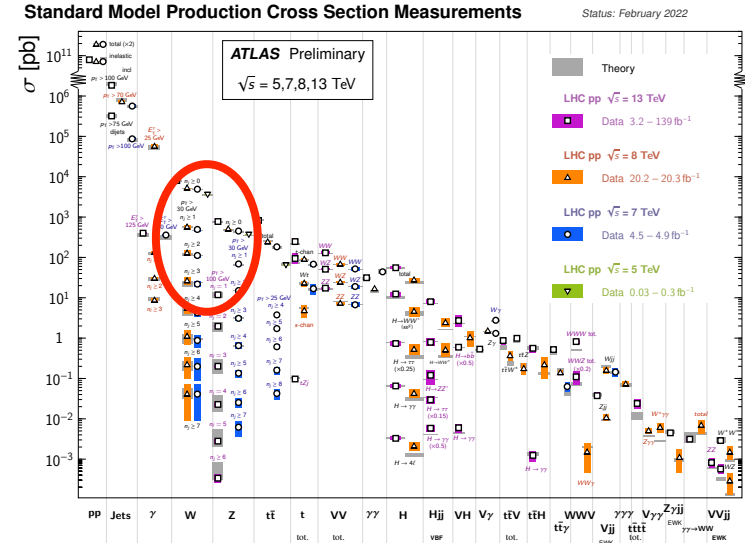


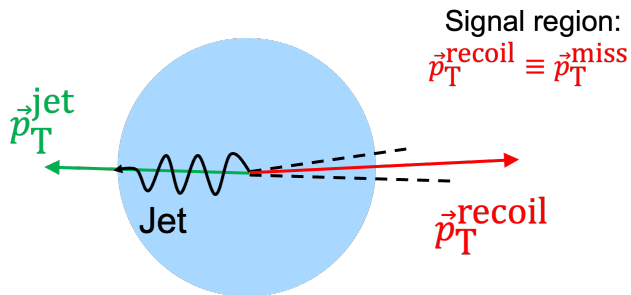
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- For BSM physics:
 - ▶ Provide accurate background modelling for other processes
 - ▶ ... use directly for constraining BSM parameter space!



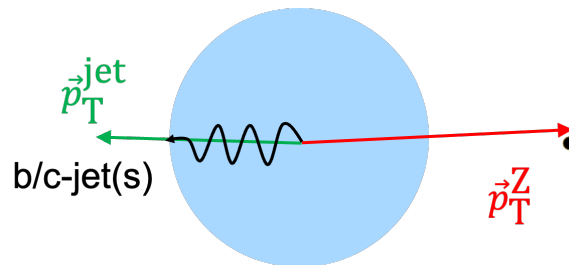


$p_T^{\text{miss}} + \text{jets}$

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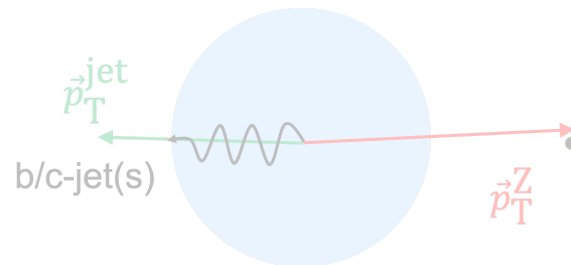
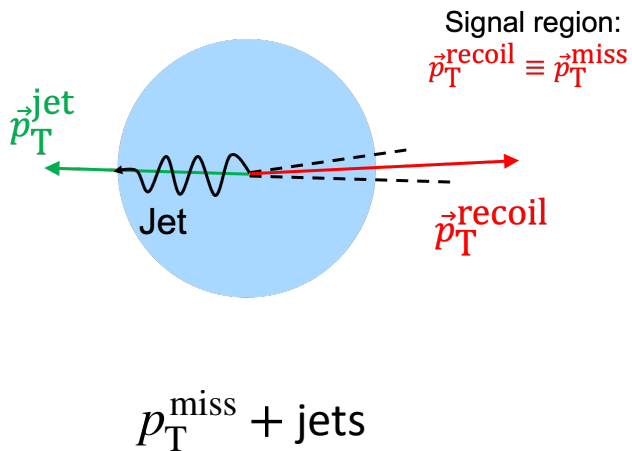
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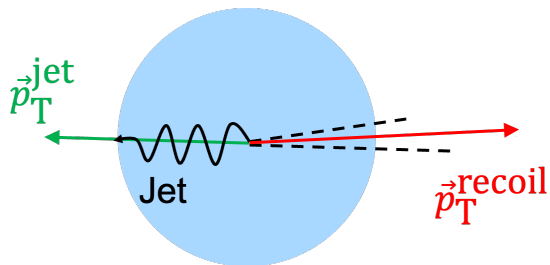
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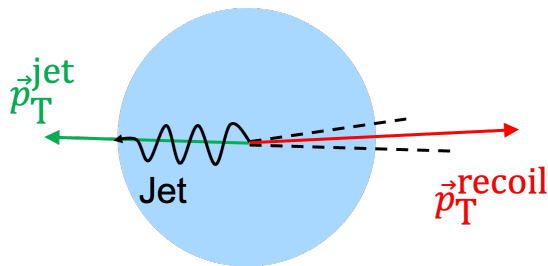


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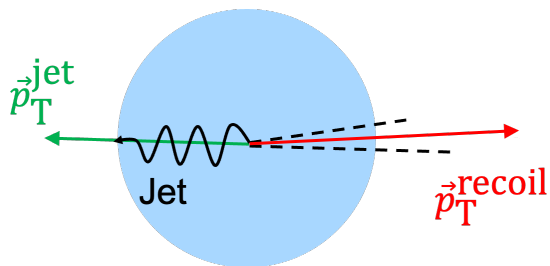
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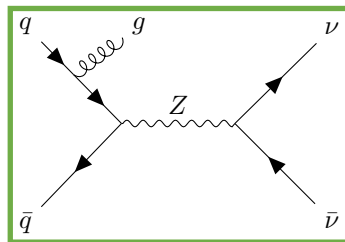
- Designed for re-interpretation increasing **impact** and **longevity** of the analysis

- Measure two different jet topologies:
monojet-like and **Vector Boson Fusion (VBF) enhanced** region

- Both topologies:

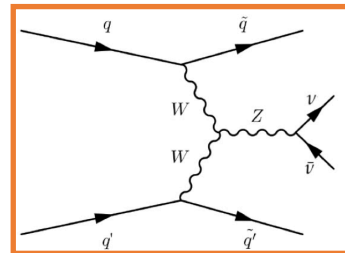
- Kinematic cut of $p_T^{\text{recoil}} > 200 \text{ GeV}$
- Reduce fake- p_T^{miss} background with $\Delta\phi(p_T^{\text{miss}}, \text{jet})$ cut

Monojet



p_T^{miss}

VBF



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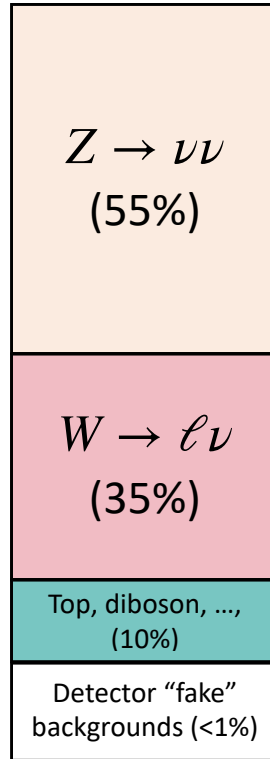
$\Delta\phi_{jj}$

m_{jj}

- ≥ 1 jet
- leading jet:
 - $p_T > 120 \text{ GeV}$
 - $|\eta| < 2.4$

- ≥ 2 jets
- leading jet: $p_T > 80 \text{ GeV}$
- subleading jet: $p_T > 50 \text{ GeV}$
- $|\Delta y_{jj}| > 1$, in-gap jet veto
- $m_{jj} > 200 \text{ GeV}$

Two complementary measurements

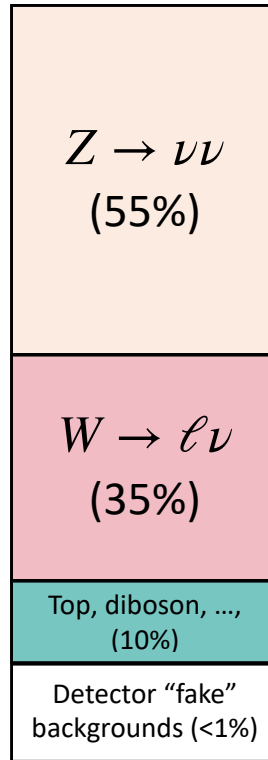


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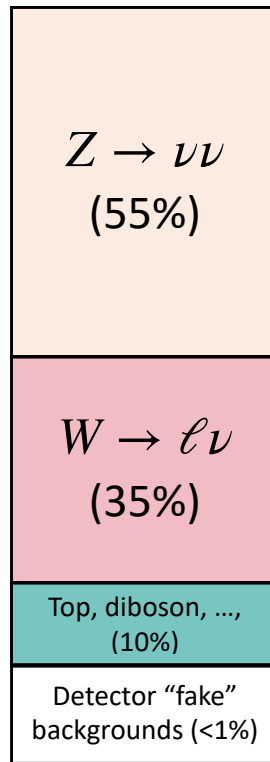
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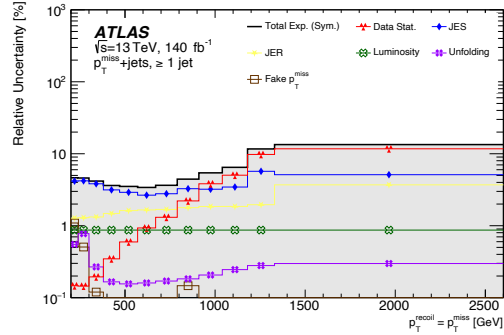


Fiducial final state

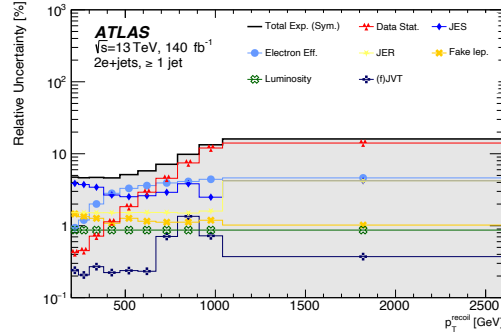
- All subdominant processes are kept as signal, only fakes subtracted from data - inclusive p_T^{miss} measurement
- Highly re-interpretable in long term, for both SM and BSM physics

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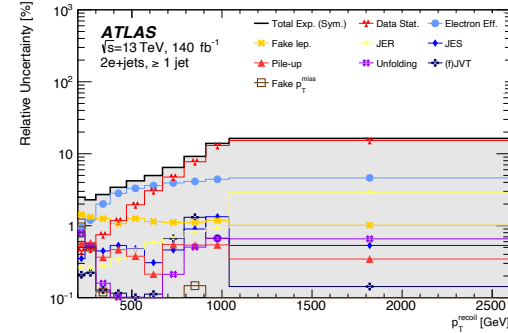
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2 electron region



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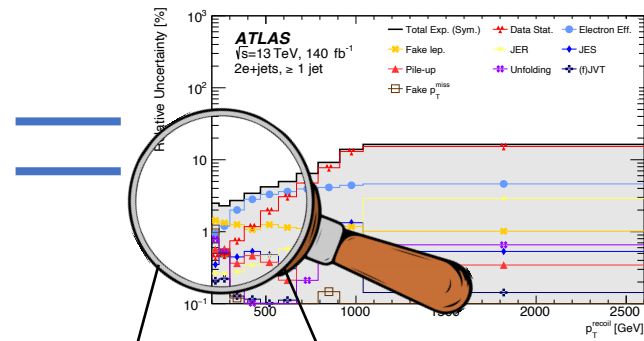
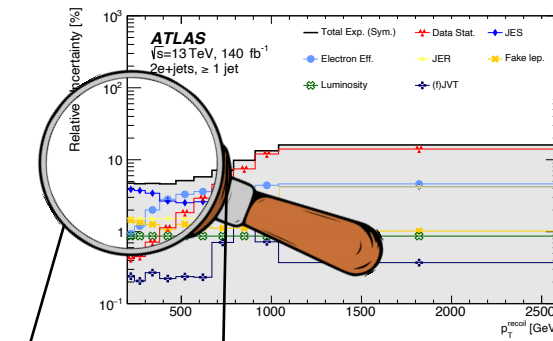
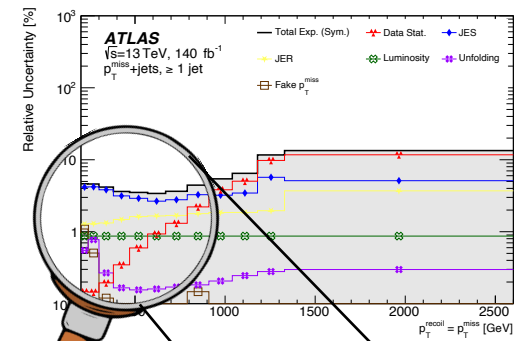
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Statistical and systematic uncertainties

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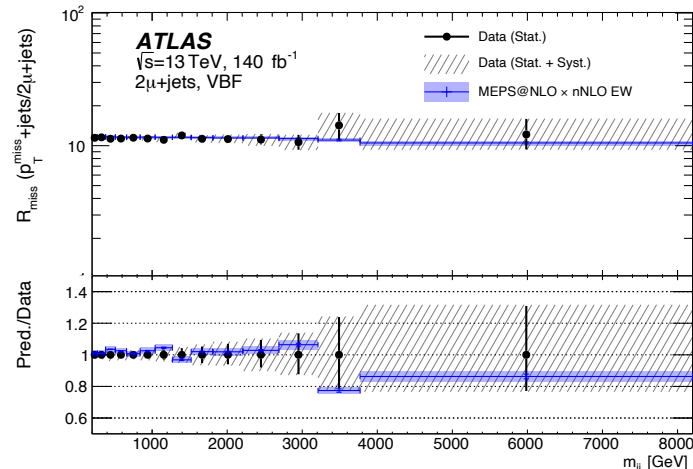
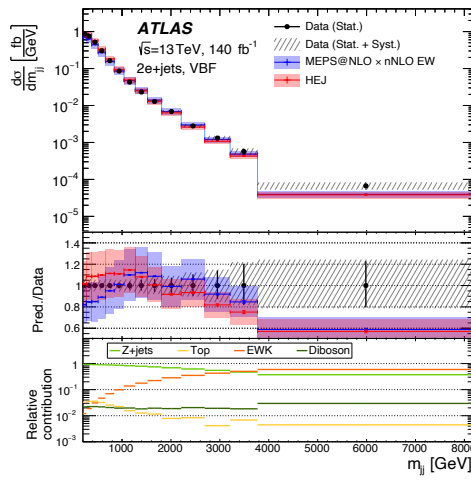
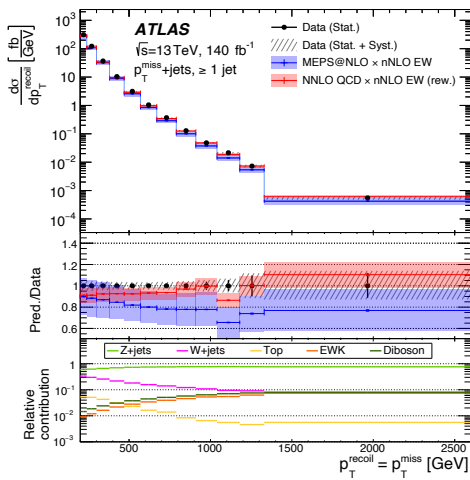
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Bootstrap method to track statistical correlations

- Experimental systematic: detector calibration and reconstruction
- Unfolded uncertainties and fake backgrounds
- Dominated by jet energy scale and resolution: **cancellation in ratios**

4-5% to 2% in R_{miss}



- Reasonable agreement with state-of-the-art SM predictions
 - Constant 10-20% offset in NLO prediction improves with **NNLO reweighting**
 - Shape mismodelling of m_{jj} , slight improvement with **High Energy Jet (HEJ)** package

J. M. Lindert et al., Eur. Phys. J. C 77 (2017) 829

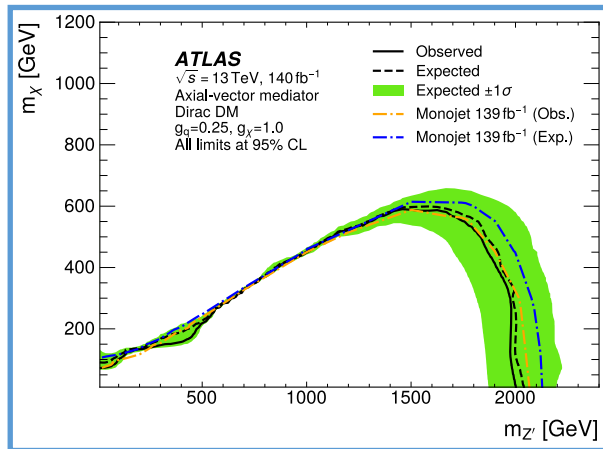
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- R_{miss} benefits from cancellation of discrepancies in modelling

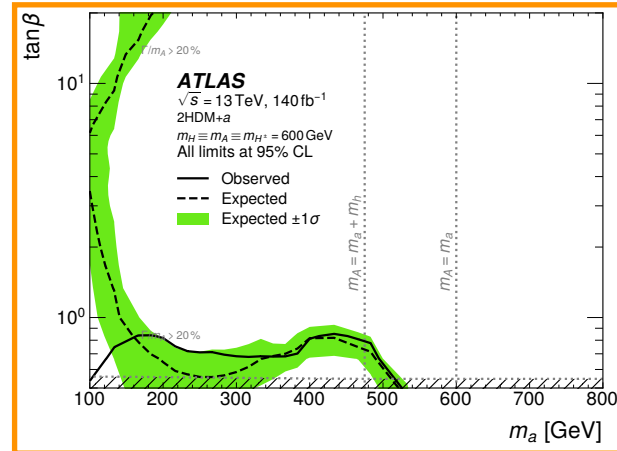
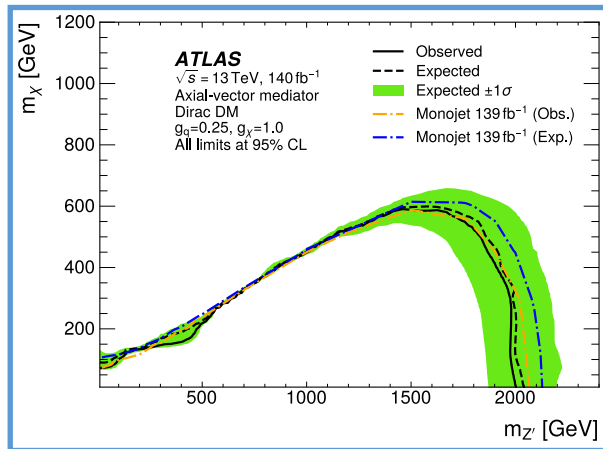
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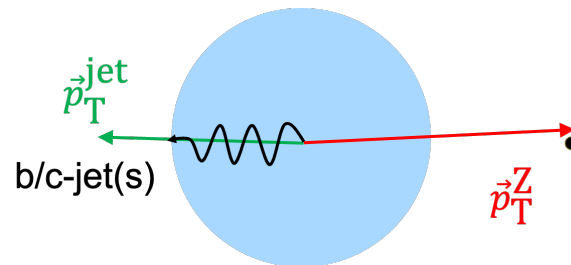
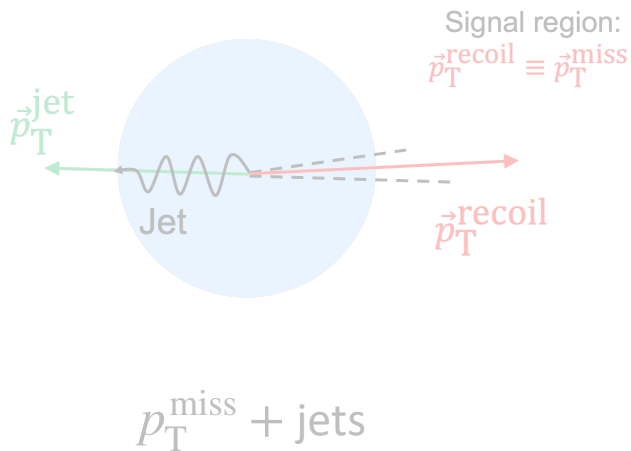
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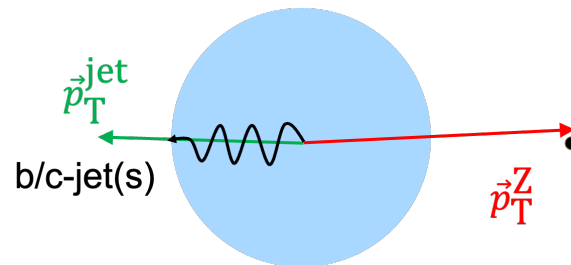


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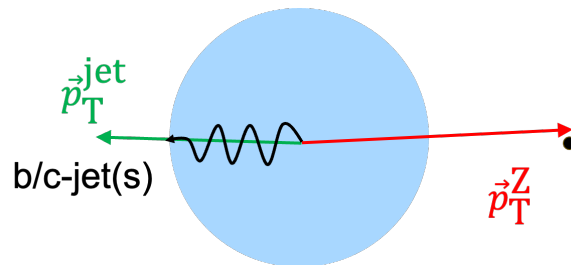


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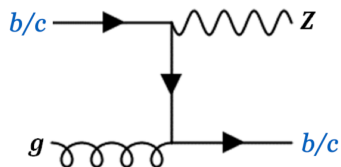
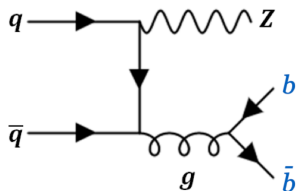


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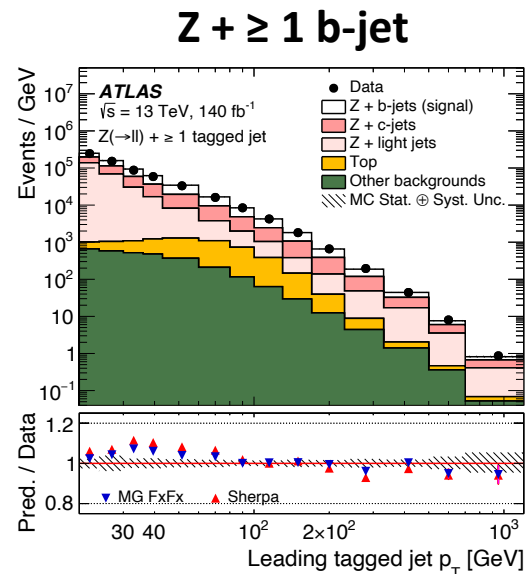
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- Precise test of pQCD
 - Reliability of state-of-the-art ME+PS at the LHC?
(→ Different mass/flavour schemes)
 - Explore sensitivity to proton intrinsic charm component
 - Inputs for MC modelling
(→ for VHbb and BSM searches)



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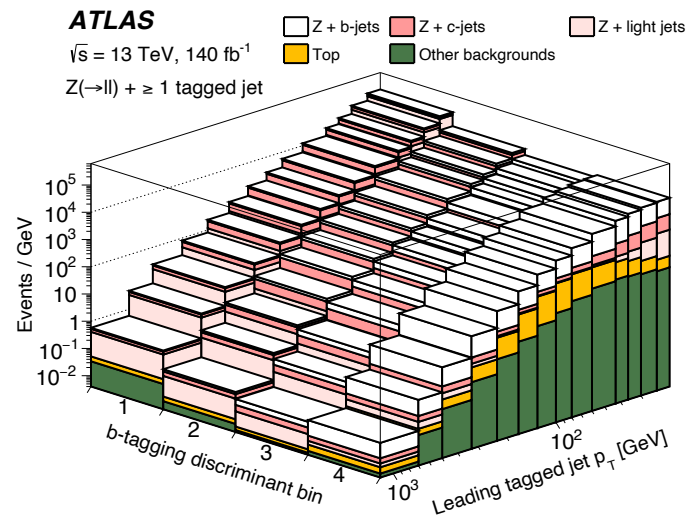
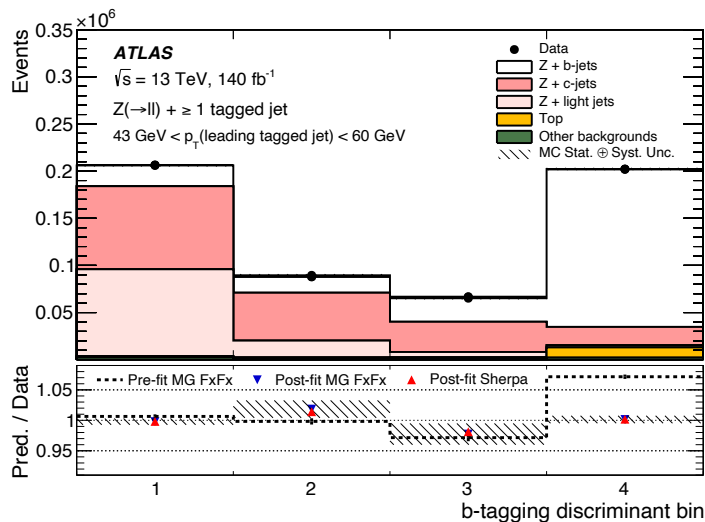


- Select same flavour, opposite sign lepton pair ($Z \rightarrow ee, \mu\mu$) and 1 or 2 flavoured jets, with 85% DL1r score (30% c-jet efficiency)
- Two major background processes:
 - **Top:** data-driven approach, dedicated control region
 - **Z+jets:** flavour fit
- Iterative unfolding after background-subtraction



Region	1-tag		2-tag
Signal	Z+ ≥ 1 b-jet	Z+ ≥ 1 c-jet	Z+ ≥ 2 b-jets
Background	Z+c, Z+l	Z+b, Z+l	Z+1b, Z+c, Z+l

- Maximum-likelihood fit to data in bins of each measured observable
 - Fit of flavour-tagging score (DL1r)
 - Three free parameters, Z+b-jets, Z+c-jets and Z+light jets normalisation



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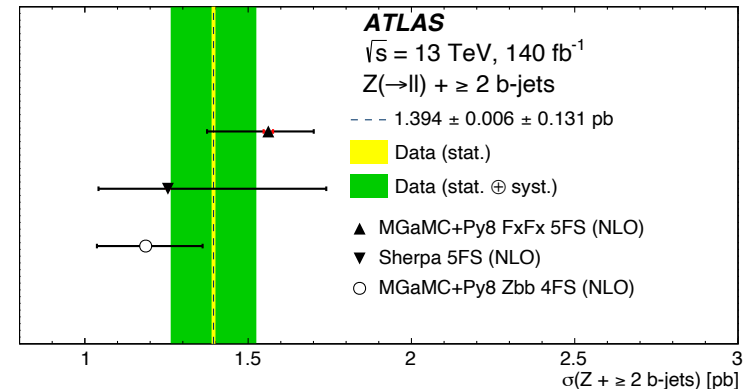
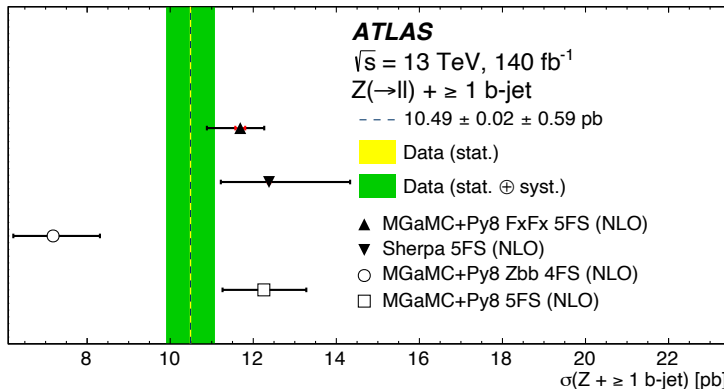
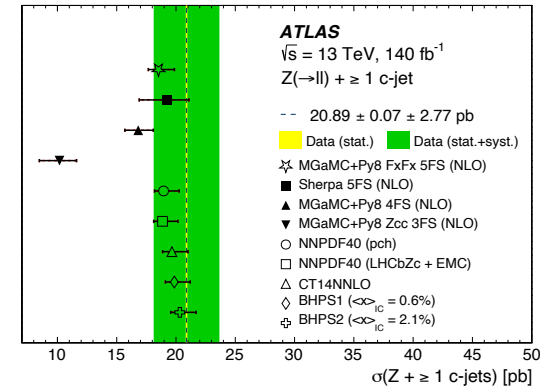
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Inclusive fiducial cross-section

- 5FS most accurate modelling of data
 - Underestimation from:
 - 4FS for $Z + \geq 1$ b-jet
 - 3FS for $Z + \geq 1$ c-jet
- lack of log-resummation $\ln(Q^2/m_c^2)$



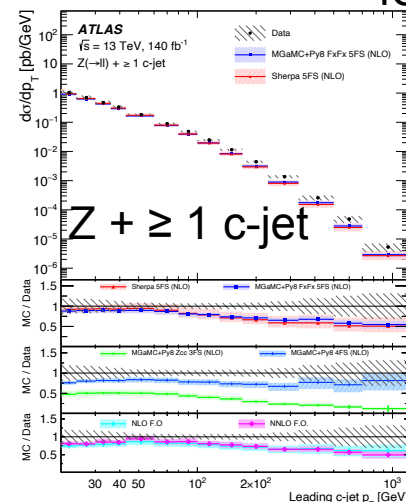
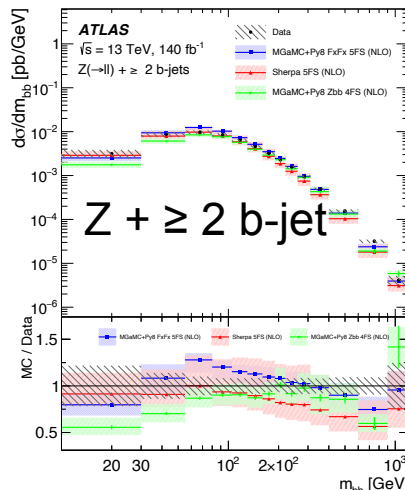
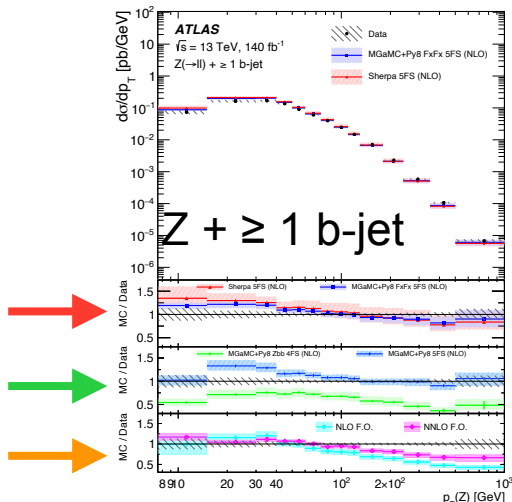
Differential cross-sections

- MGAMC+PY8 FFXF and SHERPA 2.2.11 in 5FS
- 4FS

m_{bb} shape not in agreement with data across the spectrum

- MGAMC+PY8 FFXF and SHERPA 2.2.11 at low p_T
- 3FS

* IC in backup



- Fixed-order:** bin-by-bin corrections applied to predictions to enable direct comparison with data
Some of the NLO discrepancies improve with NNLO

- LHC is proving to be a great laboratory for precision EW physics
- Experimental measurements of V+jets help us to push advancements in understanding of QCD, PDFs and more!
 - Recent LHC analyses benefit from larger datasets, new analysis techniques and improved calibrations/flavour-tagging

Backup slides

p_T^{miss} + jets analysis selections



Attribute	p_T^{miss} +jets	e +jets	$2e$ +jets	μ +jets	2μ +jets	γ +jets
Lepton or photon rapidity	–	$ y \leq 1.37$ or $1.52 \leq y \leq 2.47$		$ y \leq 2.5$		$ y \leq 1.37$ or $1.52 \leq y \leq 2.47$
Leading lepton or photon p_T [GeV]	–	> 30	> 80	> 7	> 80	> 160
Sub-leading lepton p_T [GeV]	–	–	> 7	–	> 7	–
Dilepton mass, $m_{\ell\ell}$ [GeV]	–	–	$m_{\ell\ell} \in (66, 116)$	–	$m_{\ell\ell} \in (66, 116)$	–
(Additional) muons	None with $p_T > 7$ GeV, $ \eta < 2.5$					
(Additional) electrons	None with $p_T > 7$ GeV, $ \eta < 1.37$ or $1.52 < \eta < 2.47$					
m_T [GeV]	–	$m_T \in (30, 100)$	–	–	–	–
p_T^{miss} [GeV]	> 200	> 60	–	–	–	–
p_T^{recoil} [GeV]	> 200	> 200	> 200	> 200	> 200	> 200

p_T^{miss} + jets jet topology selections



Attribute	≥ 1 jet	VBF
$\Delta\phi(\text{jet}, p_T^{\text{miss}})$		> 0.4 for four leading p_T jets
Hadronic τ -lepton		None with $p_T > 20$ GeV, $ \eta < 1.37$ or $1.52 < \eta < 2.47$
Leading jet p_T [GeV]	> 120	> 80
Sub-leading jet p_T [GeV]	–	> 50
Leading jet $ y $	< 2.4	< 4.4
Sub-leading jet $ y $	–	< 4.4
Dijet invariant mass m_{jj} [GeV]	–	> 200
$ \Delta y_{jj} $	–	> 1
In-gap jets	–	None with $p_T > 30$ GeV

Signal region

Lepton regions

Photon region

1. Fake p_T^{miss}
2. Non-collision background

- Fake leptons
- non-prompt leptons
 - misidentified objects

- Fake photons
- multijet background

Estimated with:

1. Jet smearing method
2. Data-driven method

Fake factor and matrix method

ABCD method

Subdominant SM processes

Subdominant SM processes

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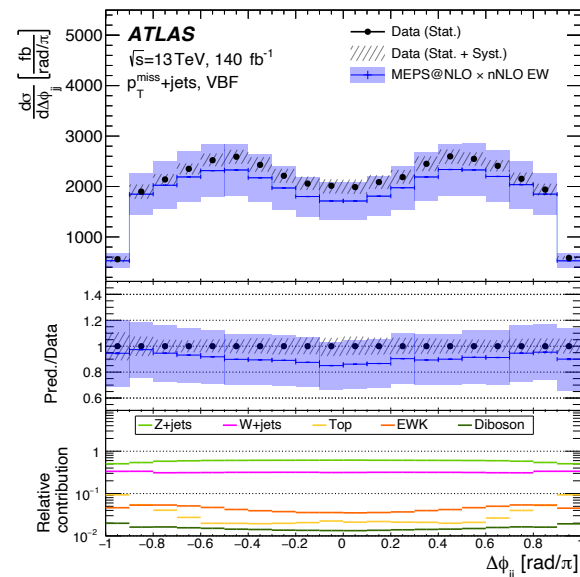
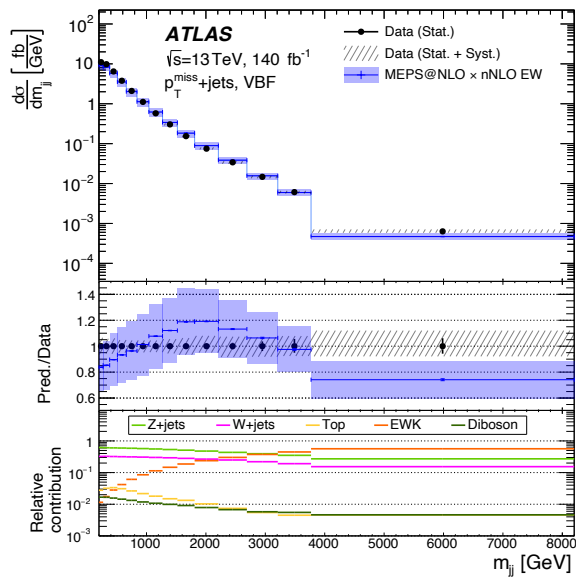
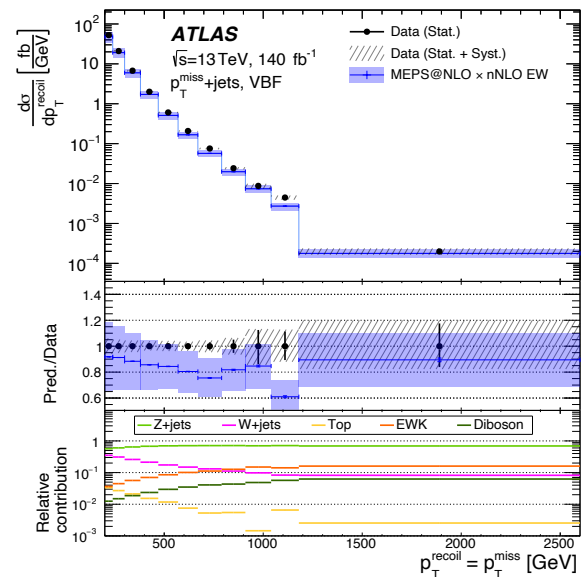
Estimated with:

Shape validation in background control regions (BCR), normalisation factor via data-driven method

Monojet topology

Production process	Final-state event selection					
	p_T^{miss} +jets	$2e$ +jets	2μ +jets	e +jets	μ +jets	γ +jets
$Z \rightarrow \nu\nu + \text{jets}$	55%	–	–	–	–	–
$Z \rightarrow ee + \text{jets}$	–	94%	–	–	–	–
$Z \rightarrow \mu\mu + \text{jets}$	–	–	95%	–	2%	–
$W \rightarrow e\nu + \text{jets}$	6%	–	–	68%	–	–
$W \rightarrow \mu\nu + \text{jets}$	9%	–	–	–	67%	–
$W \rightarrow \tau\nu + \text{jets}$	20%	–	–	5%	7%	–
$\gamma + \text{jets}$	–	–	–	–	–	>99%
Top	7%	3%	2%	25%	21%	–
Multi-boson	3%	3%	3%	2%	3%	<1%

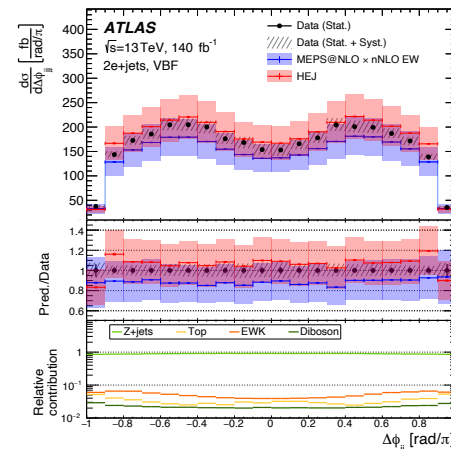
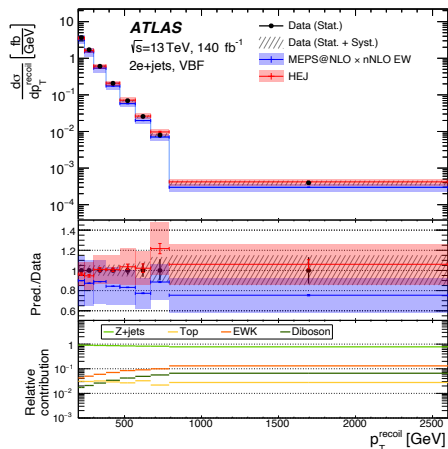
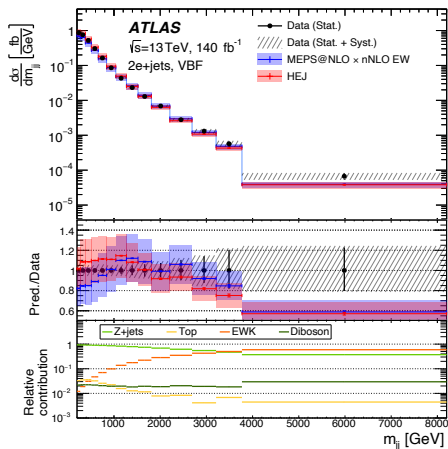
$p_T^{\text{miss}} + \text{jets}$ final state VBF SR



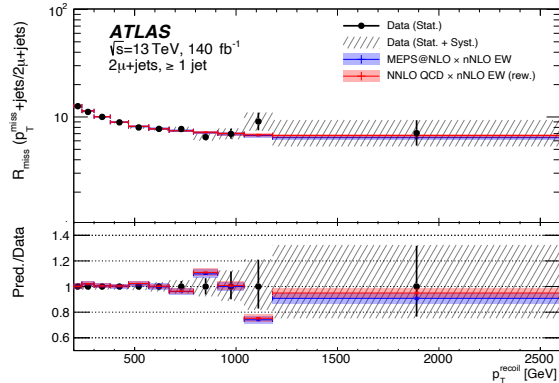
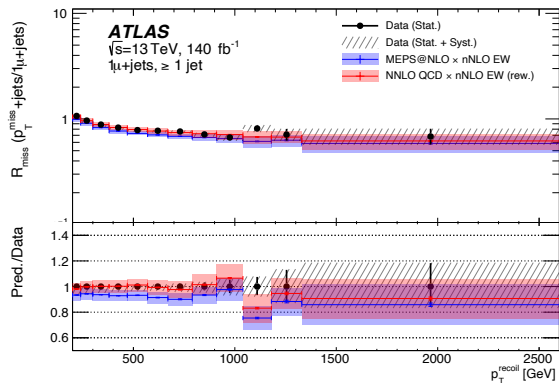
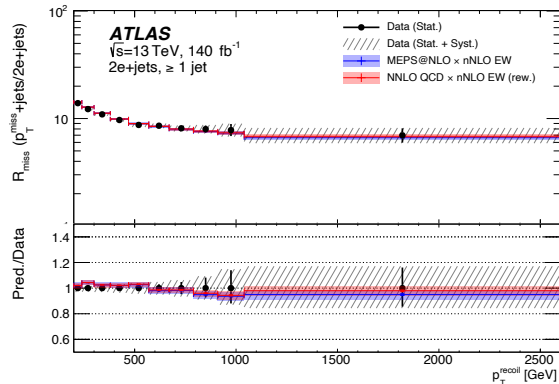
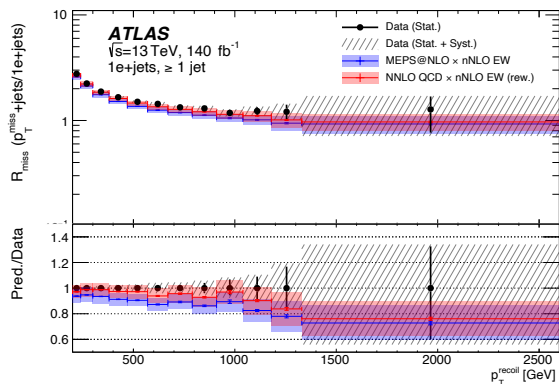
$p_T^{\text{miss}} + \text{jets}$ final state VBF lepton regions



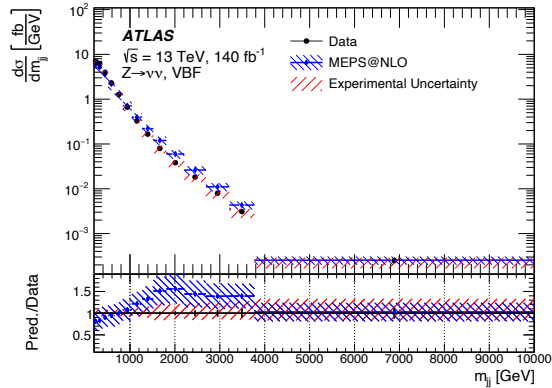
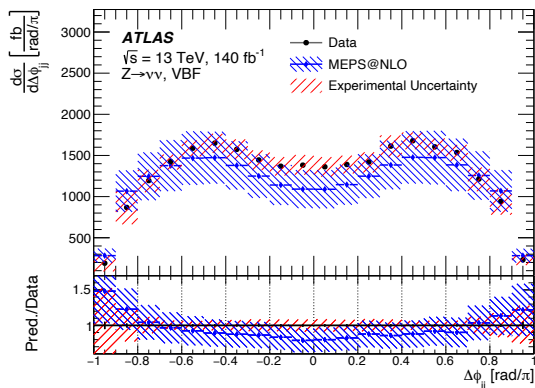
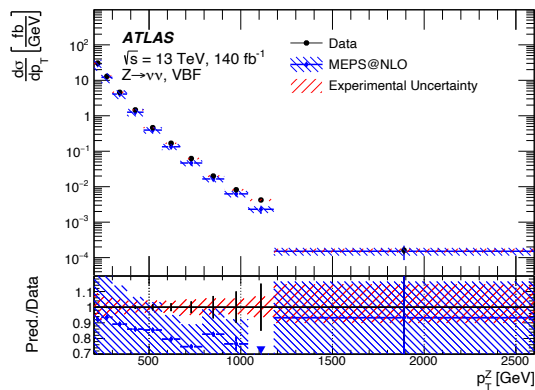
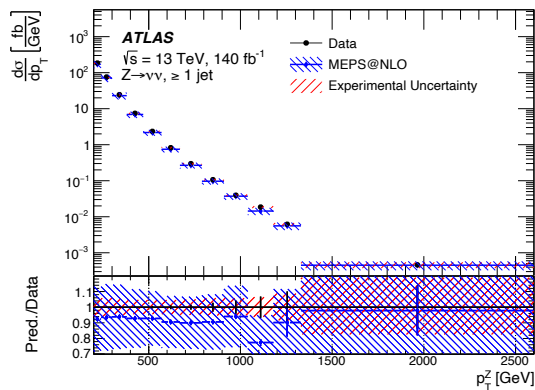
- Additional High Energy Jets (HEJ) V+jets predictions
 - Corrections phase space where jets span a large range of rapidity or where pairs of jets have a large invariant mass.
 - J. R. Andersen et al., HEJ 2.2: W boson pairs and Higgs boson plus jet production at high energies, (2023), arXiv: 2303.15778 [hep-ph]
- Improves shape modelling of m_{jj}



$p_T^{\text{miss}} + \text{jets}$ final state Rmiss



$p_T^{\text{miss}} + \text{jets}$ dominant process results



- V+HF characterised by hard scale Q and quark mass m_q
- pQCD calculations contain terms of m_q^2/Q^2 and $\ln(Q^2/m_q^2)$ for q/g collinear splittings
 - 3FS: massive c-quarks \rightarrow c-quark appears only via gluon splitting
 - 4FS: massive b-quarks \rightarrow b-quark appears only via gluon splitting
 - ❖ Suitable for $Q \sim m_q$
 - 5FS: massless b-quarks \rightarrow b-quark allowed via intrinsic PDF
 - ❖ For $Q^2 \gg m_b^2$

- Difficult to have a definition of a flavoured jet that is infrared and collinear (IRC) safe
 - e.g. consider a soft $g \rightarrow bb$ splitting, with one b-quark clustered in a hard jet and the other forms another jet
 - Fixed-order predictions in this measurement use flavour dressing algorithm
[Gauld, Huss, Stagnitto] Phys. Rev. Lett. 130 (2023) 161901
- Corrections are applied to fixed-order predictions for direct comparison to data, because former are made at parton level and use different jet-flavour algorithm
 - Ratio of hadron-level sample with multi-parton interaction (MPI) to parton-level sample without MPI (using LO Sherpa 8.3831 samples)
 - Ratio of hadron-level distributions using cone-based vs. flavour-dressing algorithm, MGaMC+Py8 FxFx. Same ratio with Sherpa 2.2.11 sample used as its uncertainty
 - Both corrections are applied to the fixed-order predictions as bin-by-bin multiplicative factors.

Z+HF detector-level selections



Object definition		
	Electron channel	Muon channel
Leptons	Single electron trigger Tight Isolated $d_0/\sigma_{d_0} < 5, z_0 \sin(\theta) < 0.5 \text{ mm}$ $p_T > 27 \text{ GeV}$ $ \eta < 1.37 \text{ or } 1.52 < \eta < 2.47$	Single muon trigger Medium Isolated $d_0/\sigma_{d_0} < 3, z_0 \sin(\theta) < 0.5 \text{ mm}$ $p_T > 27 \text{ GeV}$ $ \eta < 2.5$
Jets	$p_T > 20 \text{ GeV}$ and $ y < 2.5$ $\Delta R(\text{jet}, \ell) > 0.4$	
Flavour-tagged jets	$p_T > 20 \text{ GeV}$ and $ y < 2.5$ DL1r@85%	
Event selection		
Leptons	Exactly 2, same-flavour, opposite-charge	
$m_{\ell\ell}$	$76 \text{ GeV} < m_{\ell\ell} < 106 \text{ GeV}$	
E_T^{miss}	$E_T^{\text{miss}} < 60 \text{ GeV}$ if $p_T^{\ell\ell} < 150 \text{ GeV}$	
Flavour-tagged jets	≥ 1 or ≥ 2 jets, DL1r@85%	
Signal regions		
1-tag	≥ 1 flavour-tagged jets	
2-tag	≥ 2 flavour-tagged jets	
Rapidity regions		
Central rapidity	Z boson rapidity $ y(Z) < 1.2$	
Forward rapidity	Z boson rapidity $ y(Z) \geq 1.2$	

Table 1: List of observables used to perform differential cross-section measurements.

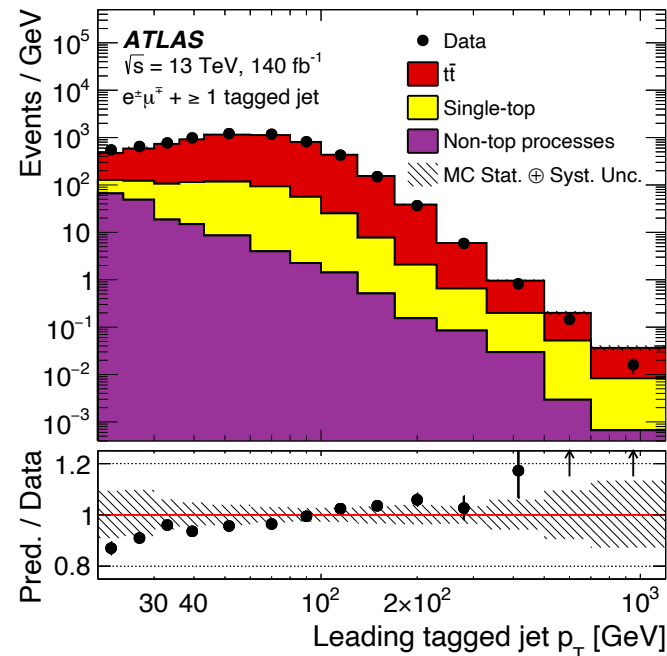
Final state	Observable	Notation
$Z + \geq 1$ b -jet	p_T of the leading b -jet	$p_{T,b}^0$
	p_T of the Z boson	$p_T(Z)$
	$\Delta\tilde{R} = \sqrt{(\Delta\phi)^2 + (\Delta y)^2}$ between the Z boson and leading b -jet, where $\Delta\phi$ (Δy) is the azimuthal angle (rapidity) difference	$\Delta\tilde{R}_{Zb}$
$Z + \geq 1$ c -jet	p_T of the leading c -jet	$p_{T,c}^0$
	p_T of the Z boson	$p_T(Z)$
	Feynman- x variable $x_F = 2 p_z(c) /\sqrt{s}$ [25]	$x_F(c)$
	Cross-section ratio of $p_T(Z)$ in $ y(Z) < 1.2$ and $ y(Z) > 1.2$	$R(p_T(Z))$
$Z + \geq 2$ b -jets	Invariant mass of the two leading b -jets	m_{bb}
	Azimuthal angle difference between the two leading b -jets	$\Delta\phi_{bb}$

Z+HF top background estimate

- Dileptonic $t\bar{t}$ constitute a large background
- Estimated in data-driven approach to mitigate large modelling uncertainties
- Dedicated CR with $e^\pm\mu^\mp$ in $71 \text{ GeV} < m_{\ell\ell} < 111 \text{ GeV}$

$$\bullet \text{ttbar}_{\text{Data}}^{\text{SR}} = \text{ttbar}_{\text{Data}}^{\text{SC}} * TF^{\text{CR}\rightarrow\text{SR}}$$

$$TF^{\text{CR}\rightarrow\text{SR}} = \text{ttbar}_{\text{MC}}^{\text{SR}(ee/\mu\mu)} / \text{ttbar}_{\text{MC}}^{\text{CR}(e\mu)}$$

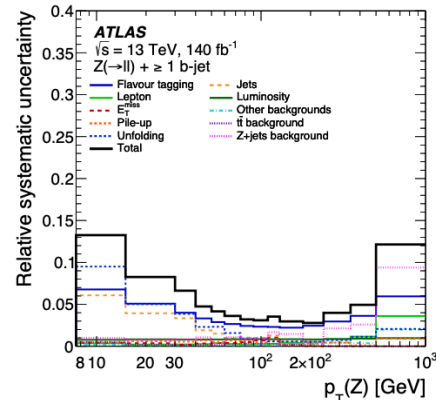
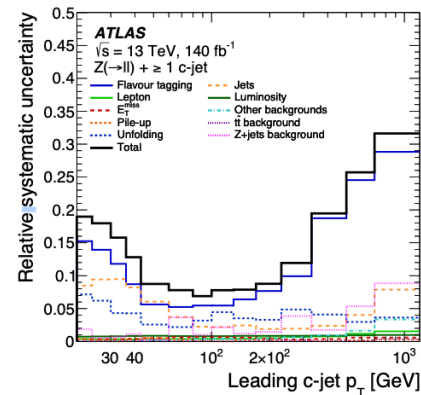


Z+HF uncertainty breakdown

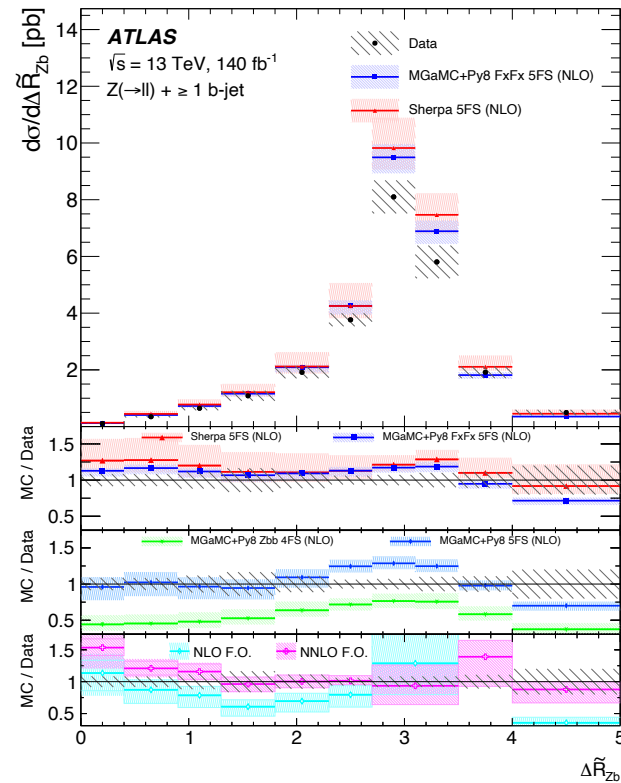
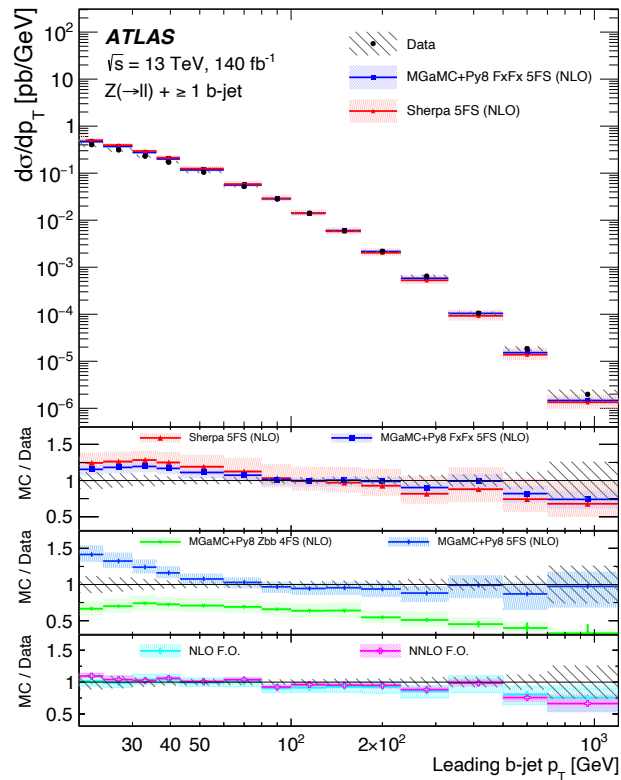


Source of uncertainty	Z($\rightarrow \ell\ell$) + ≥ 1 b-jet [%]	Z($\rightarrow \ell\ell$) + ≥ 2 b-jets [%]	Z($\rightarrow \ell\ell$) + ≥ 1 c-jet [%]
Flavour tagging	3.6	5.7	10.3
Jet	2.4	4.3	6.5
Lepton	0.3	0.3	0.4
E_T^{miss}	0.4	0.5	0.3
Z+jets background	0.6	1.5	1.6
Top background	0.1	0.3	<0.1
Other backgrounds	<0.1	0.2	0.1
Pile-up	0.6	0.6	0.2
Unfolding	3.3	5.8	5.0
Luminosity	0.8	0.9	0.7
Total [%]	5.6	9.4	13.2

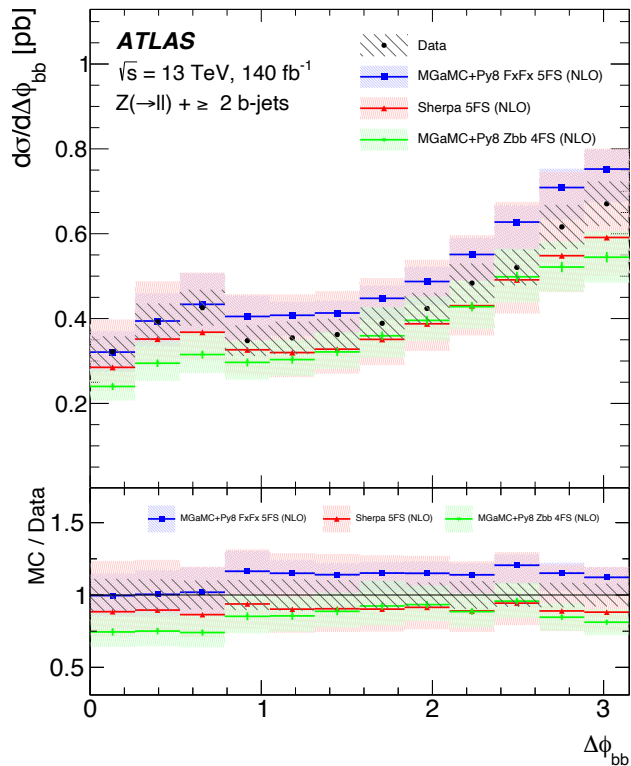
- Jet: energy scale, resolution, jet-vertex-tagging
- Z+jets: (i) post-fit MGAMC+PY8 FFXF vs SHERPA 2.2.11 difference and (ii) MGAMC+PY8 FFXF QCD scale
- Top: extrapolation from CR to SR
- Statistical uncertainty from bootstraps (< 1 %)
- Unfolding: (i) MGAMC+PY8 FFXF statistics, (ii) data-driven unfolding-bias and (iii) modelling from comparison with SHERPA



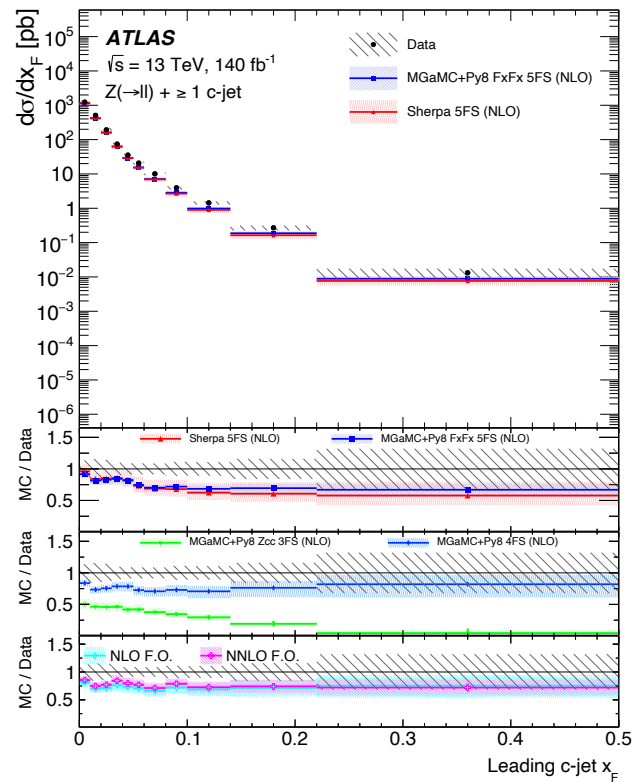
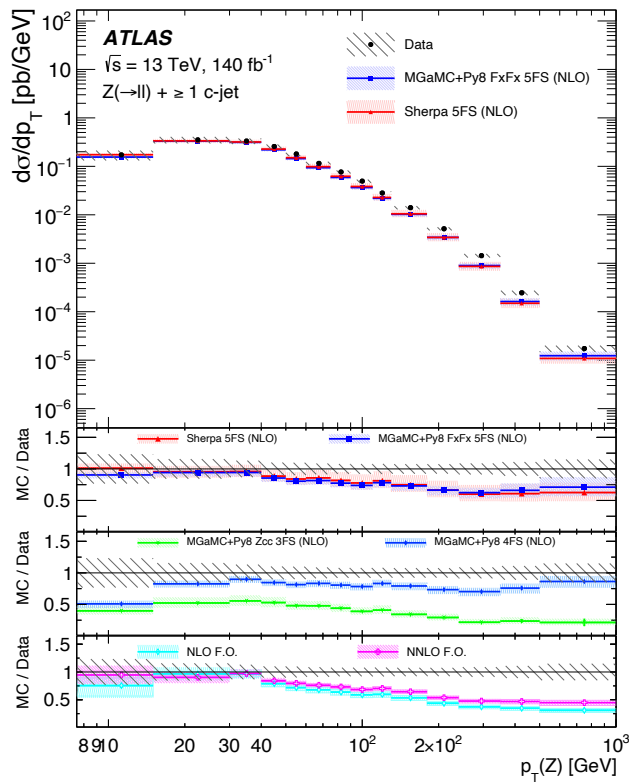
Z+HF ($Z+\geq 1$ b-jet)



Z+HF ($Z+\geq 2$ b-jet)



Z+HF ($Z+\geq 1$ c-jet)



Z+HF ($Z \rightarrow \ell\ell$) for different IC models

