

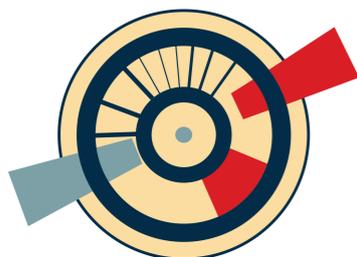
Vector Boson Scattering: a new toolkit to probe the standard model and beyond

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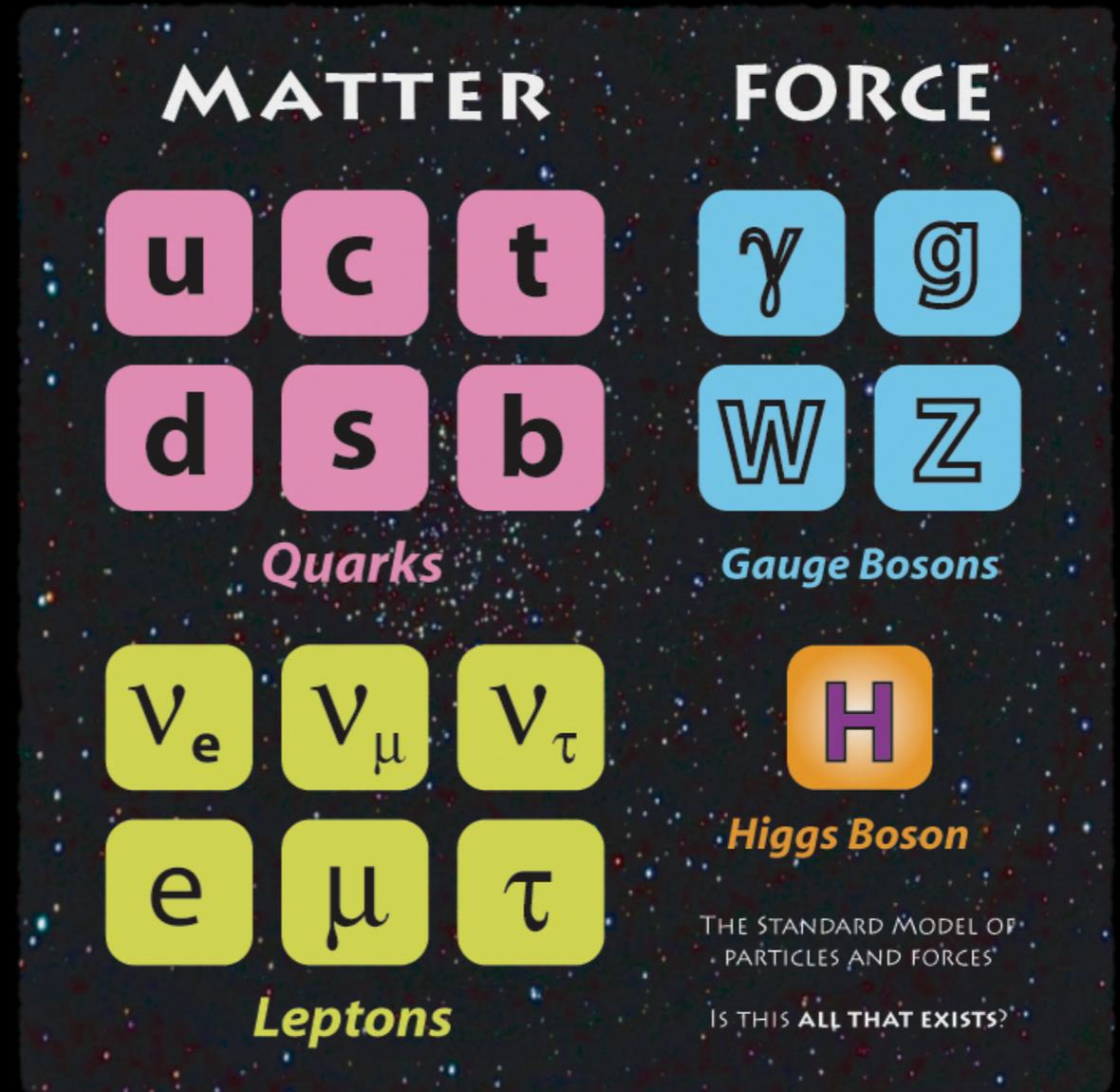
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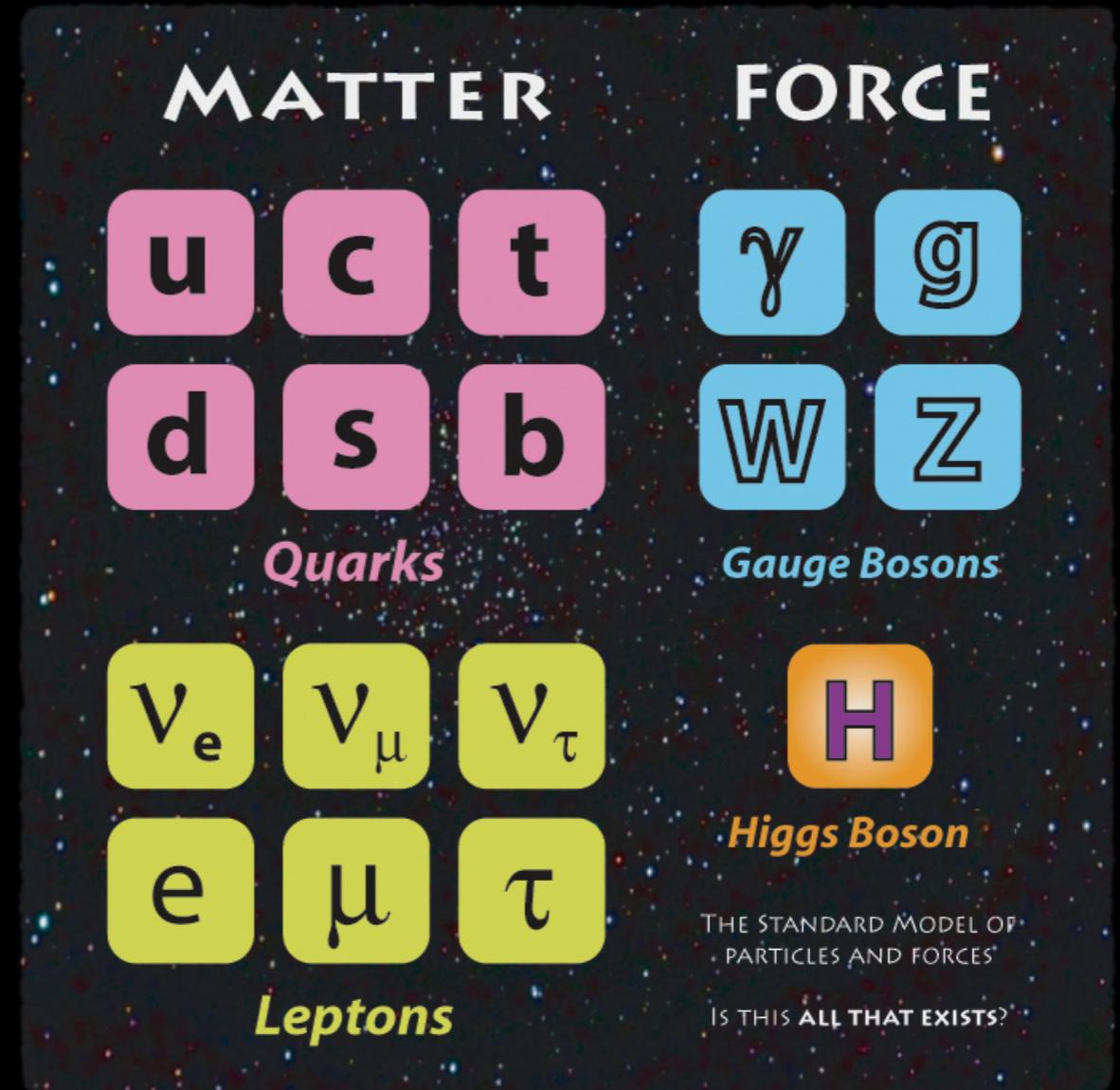
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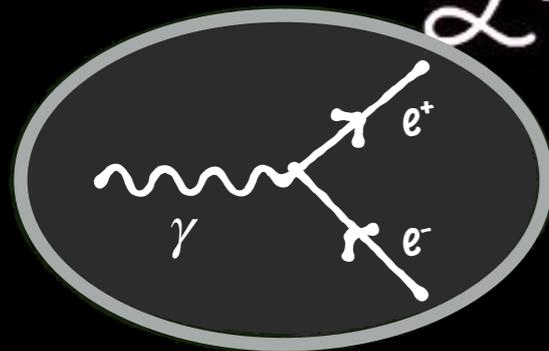
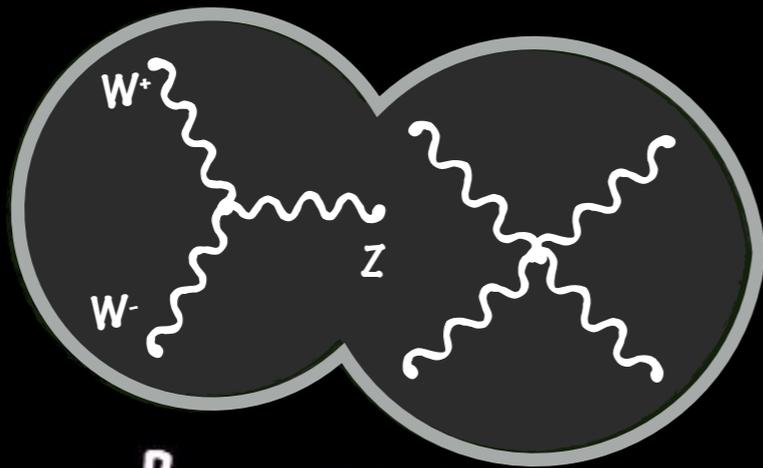
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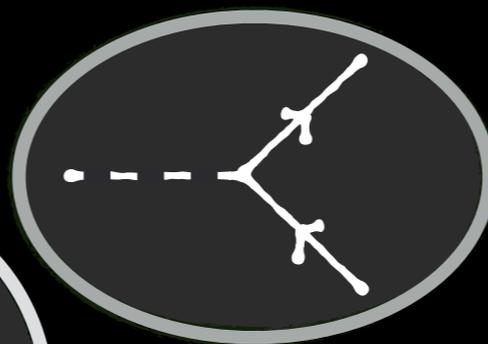
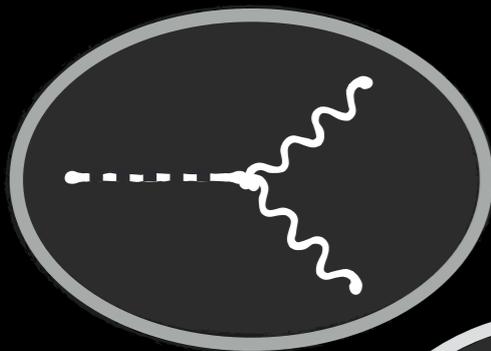
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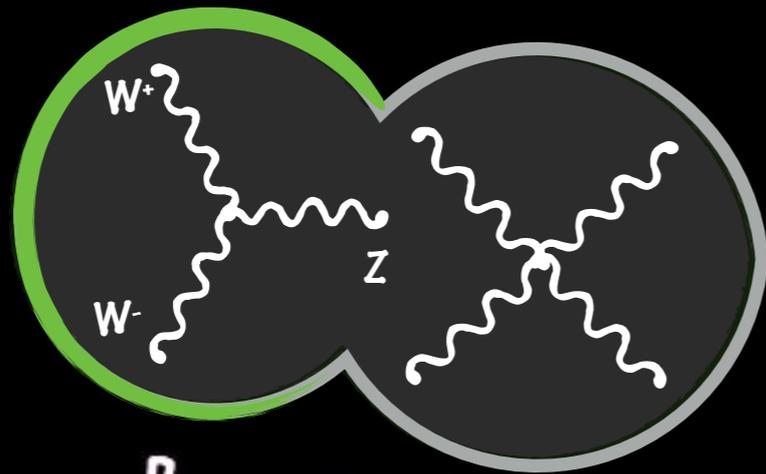
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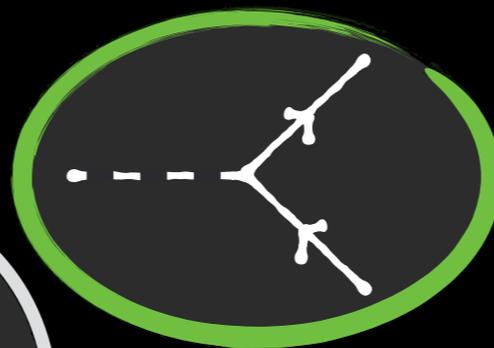
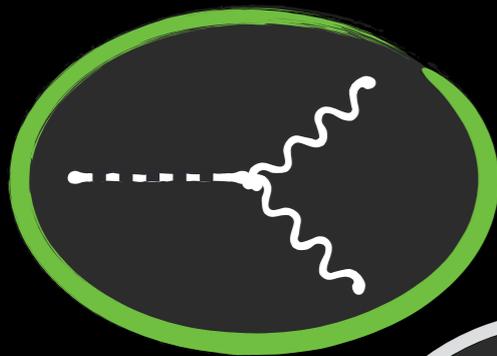
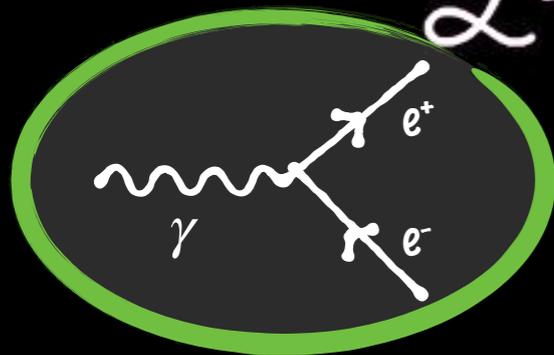
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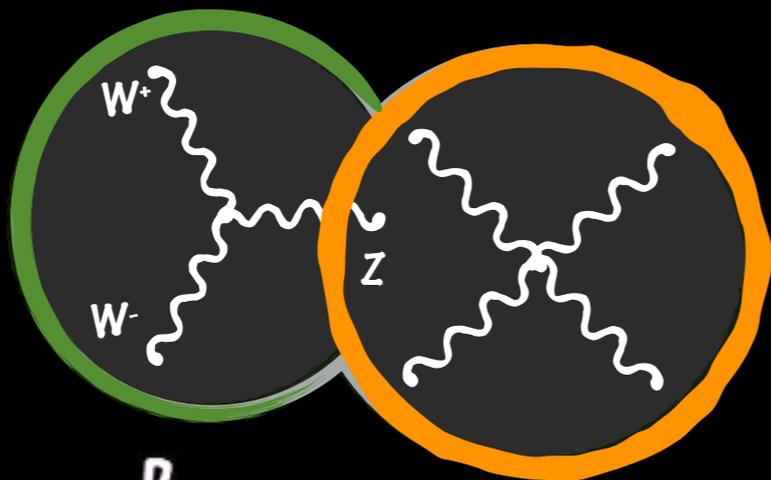
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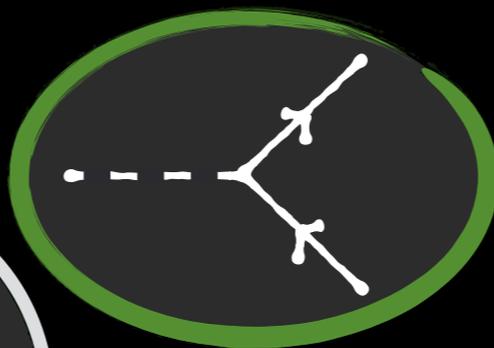
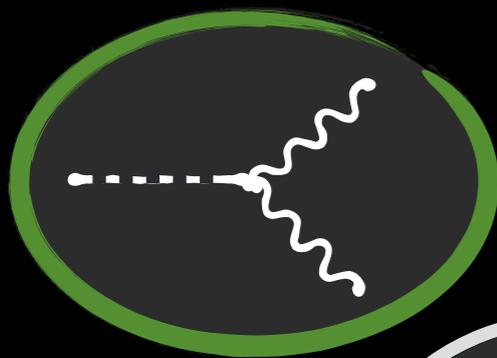
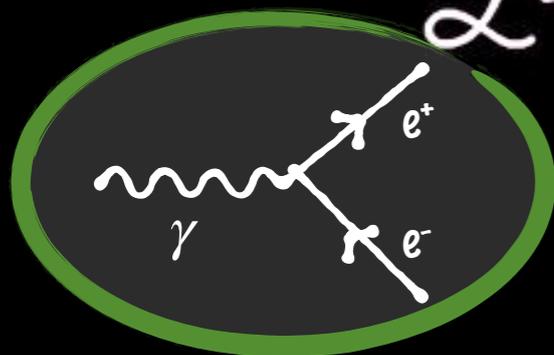
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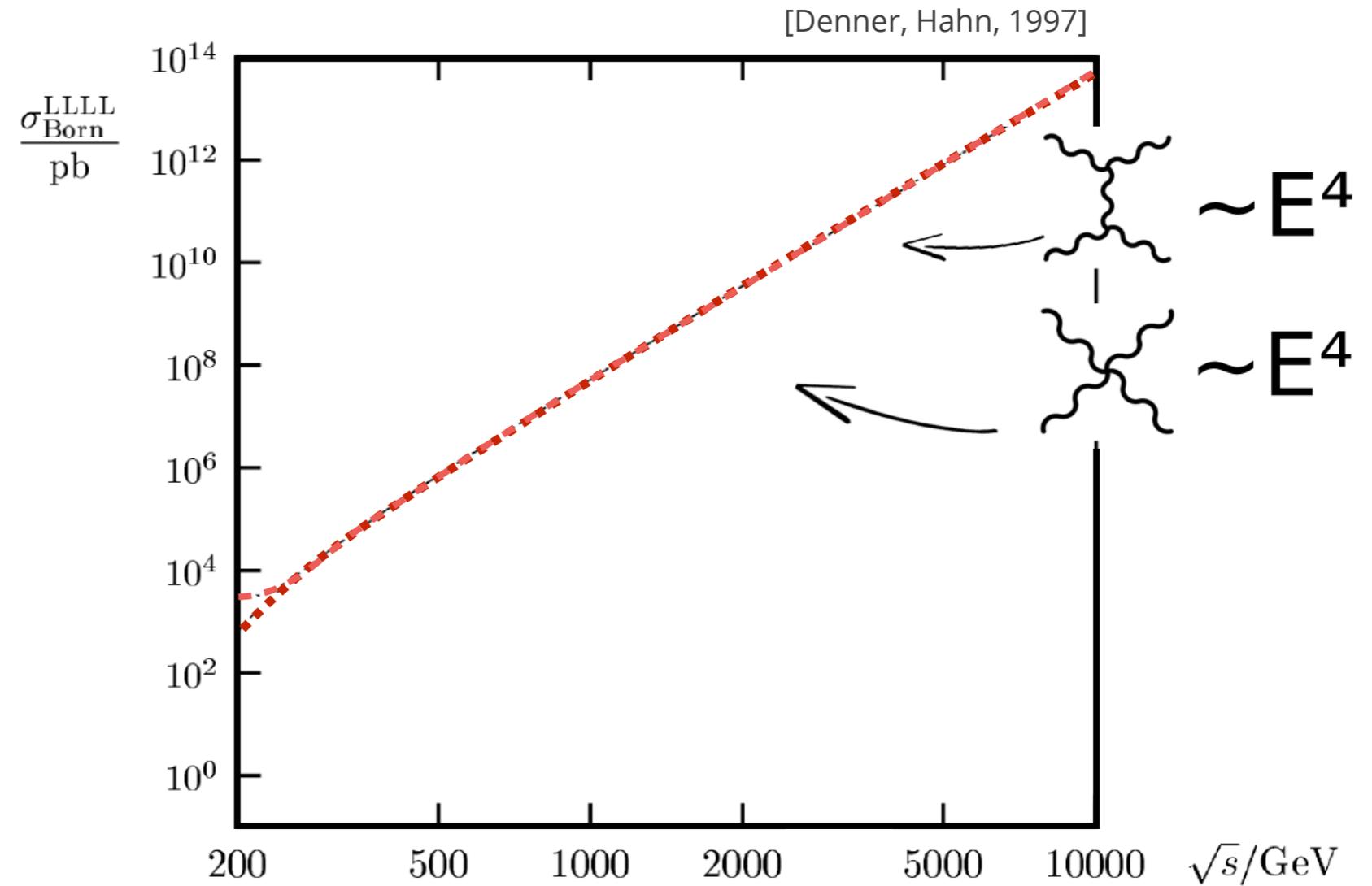


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A new chapter is now accessible if we look at Vector Boson Scattering !!

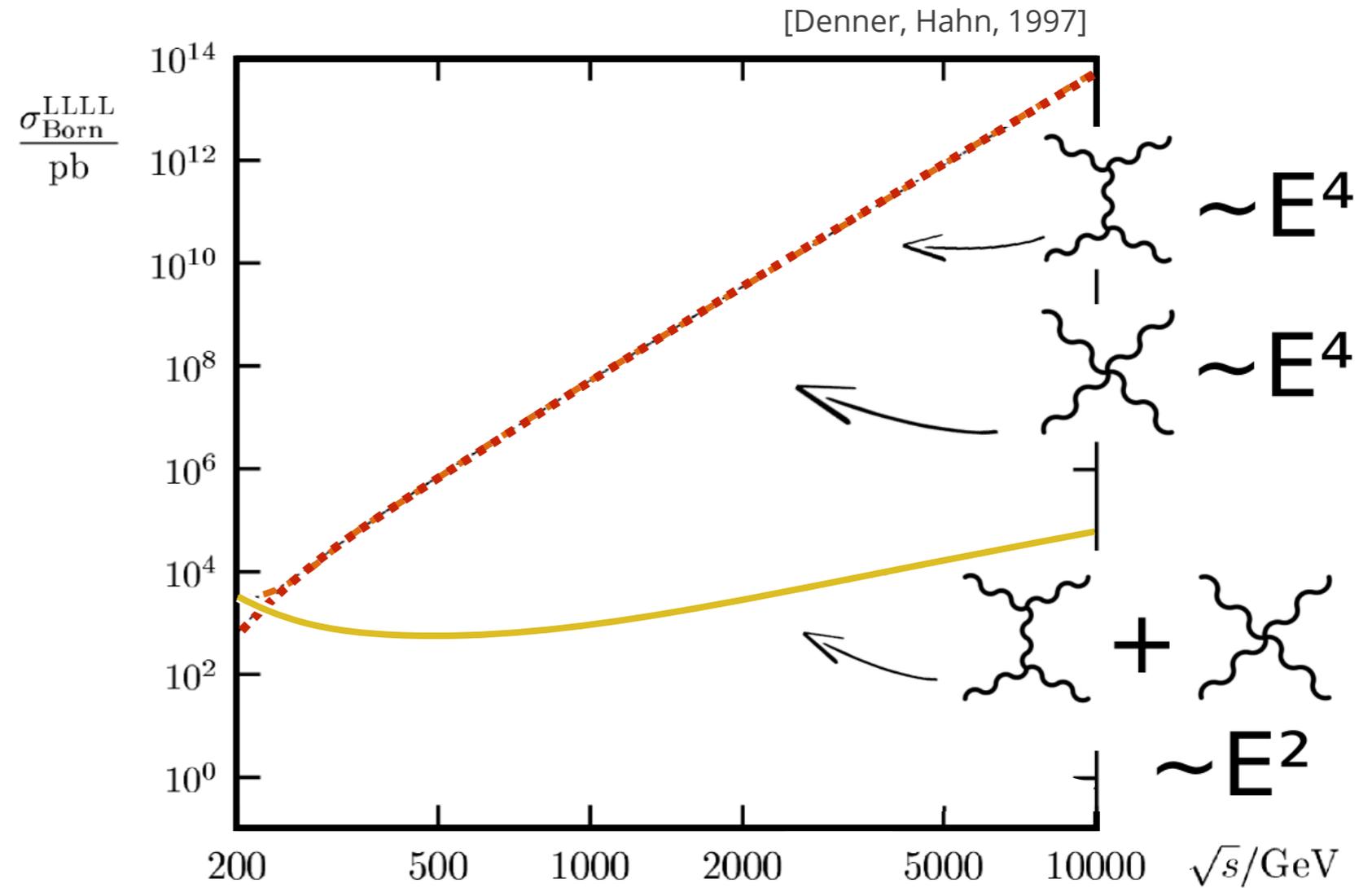
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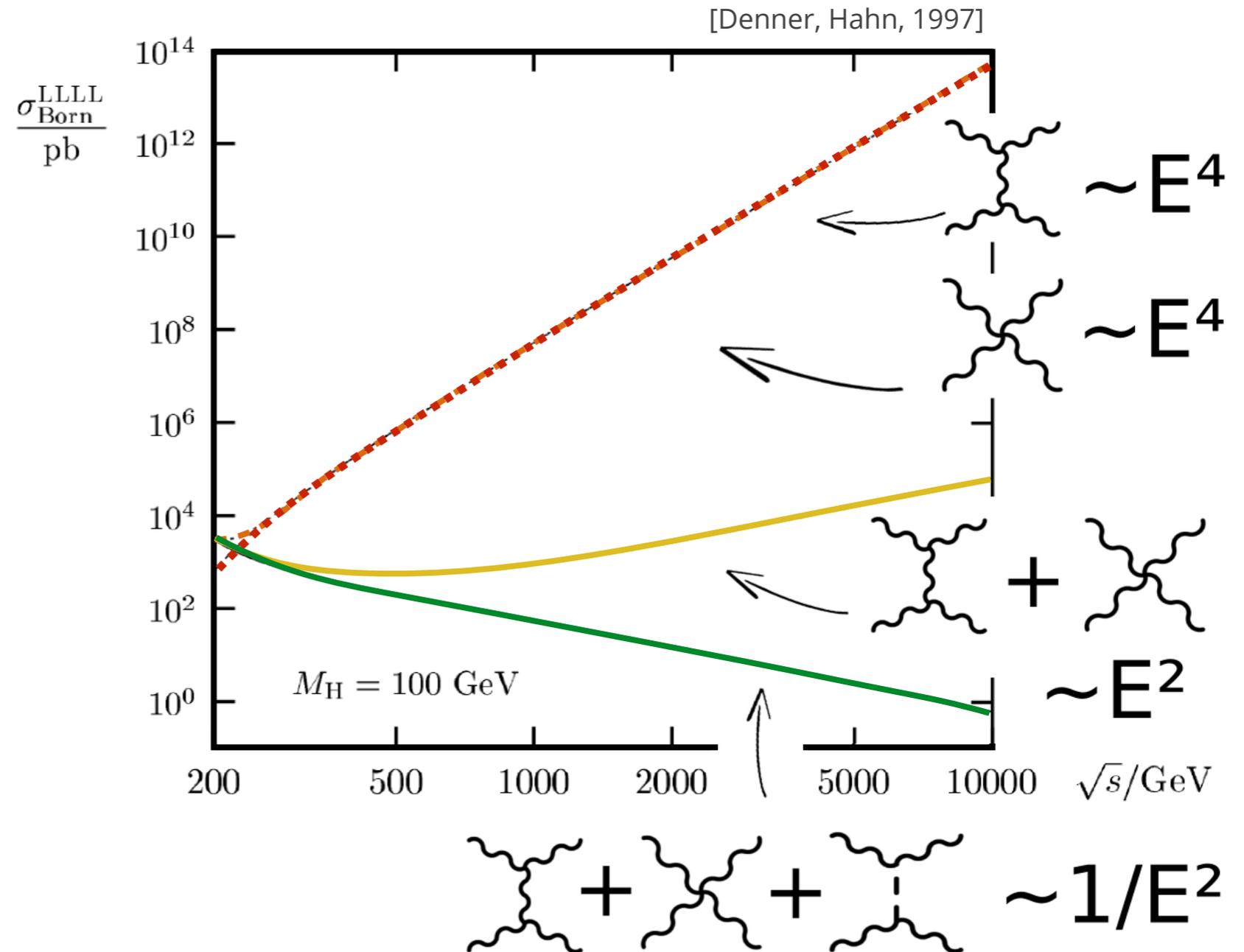
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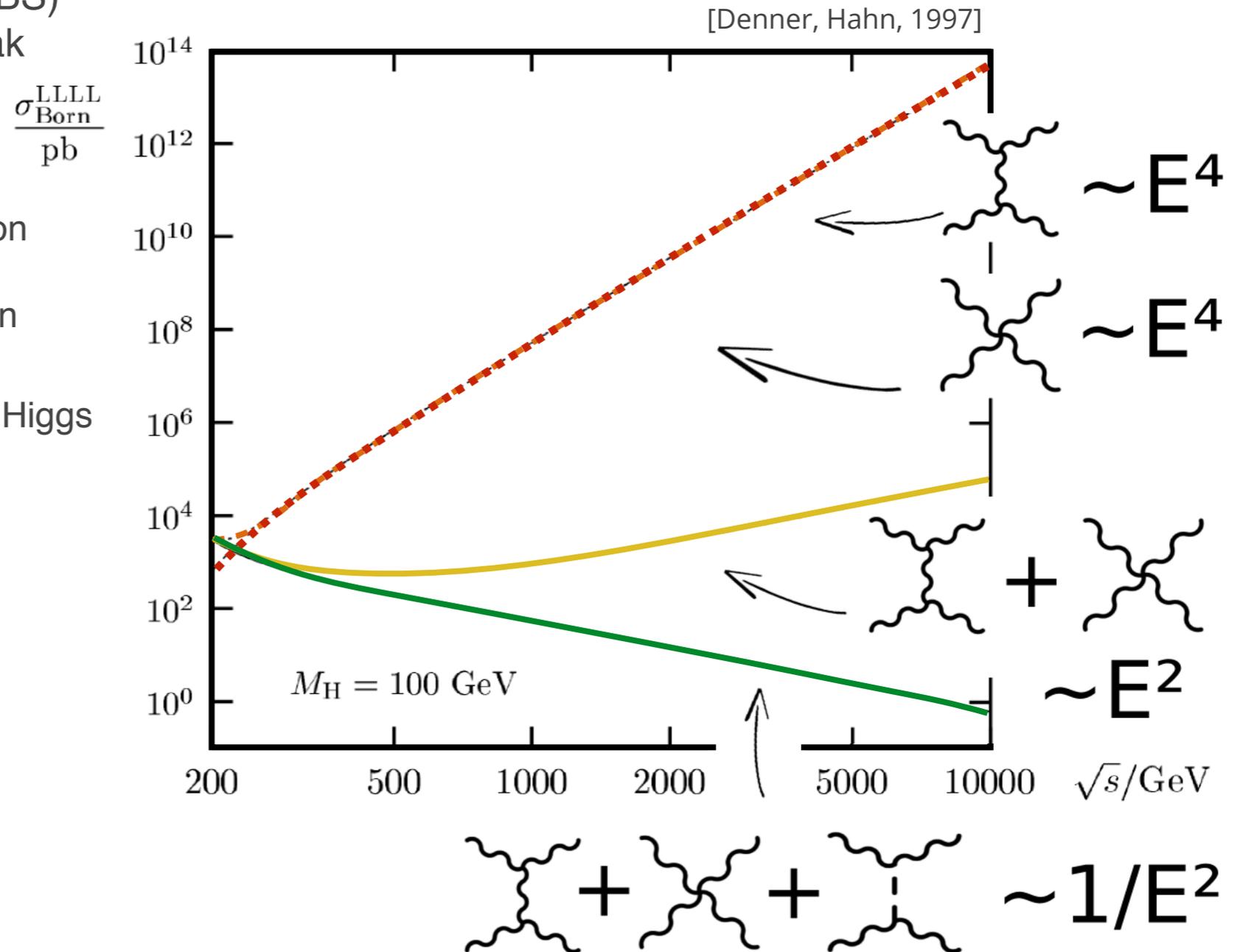


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- Vector Boson Scattering (VBS) important test of electroweak sector and EW Symmetry Breaking

- Interaction with Higgs boson unitarizes the scattering amplitude \rightarrow is unitarization complete ?
- Complementary to “direct” Higgs boson property studies



Why Vector Boson scattering is interesting?

- Looking for new physics?

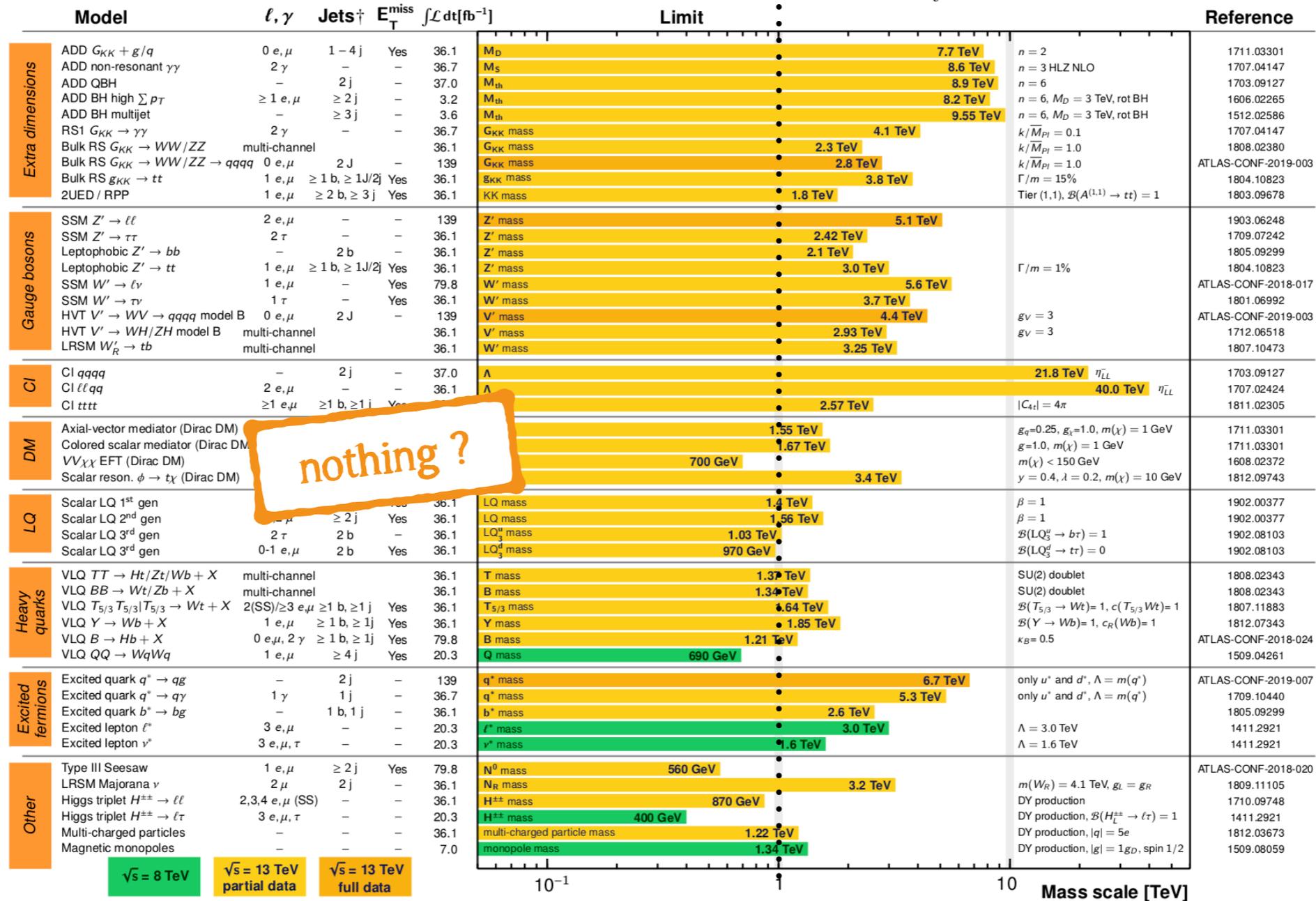
ATLAS Exotics Searches* - 95% CL Upper Exclusion Limits

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ATLAS Preliminary

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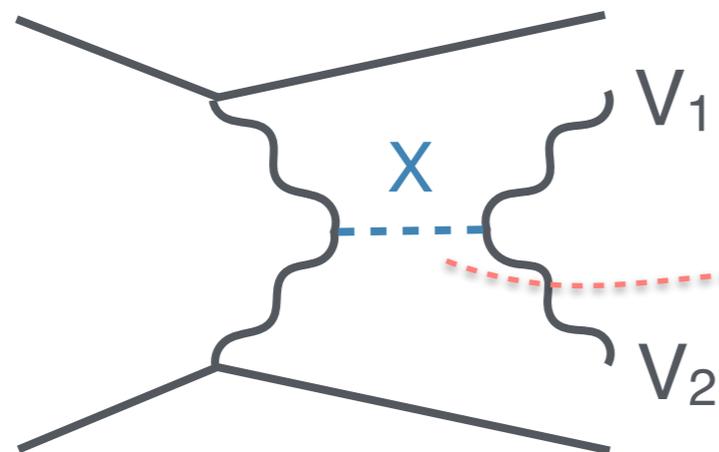
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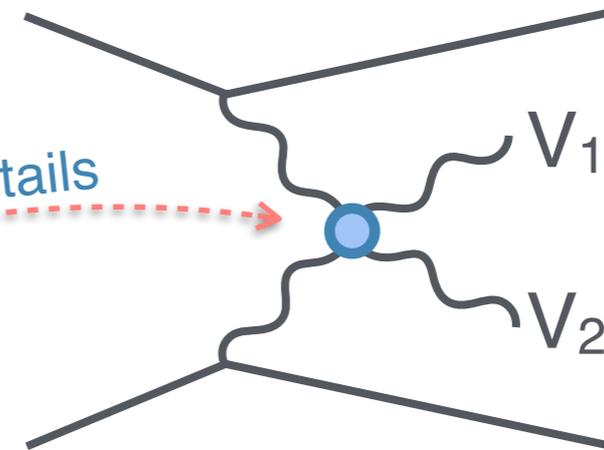
- Yet no sign of new physics with direct searches @LHC

New physics in bumps and tails

Direct search approach
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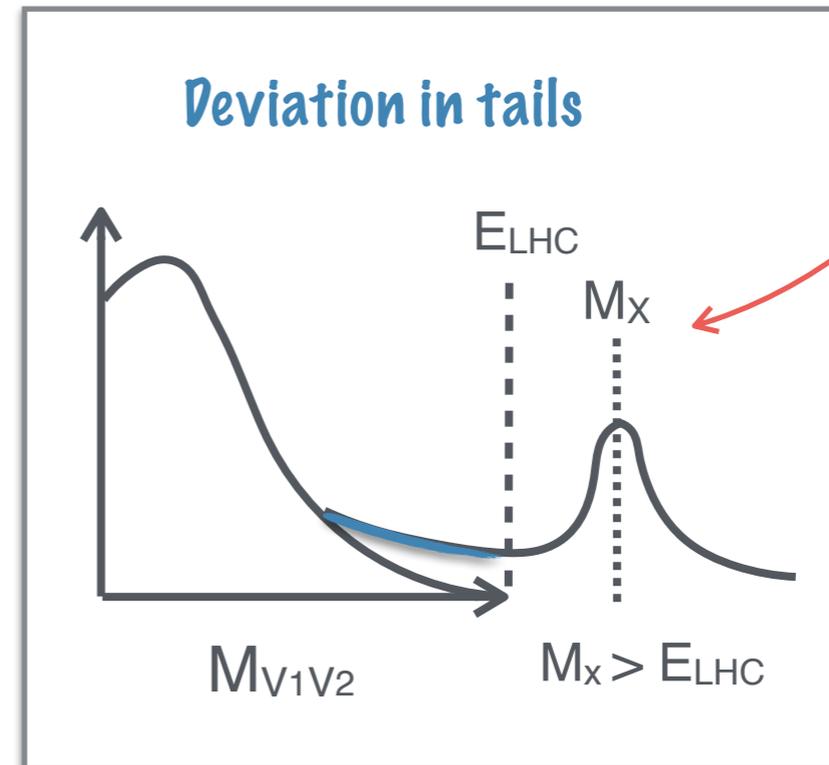
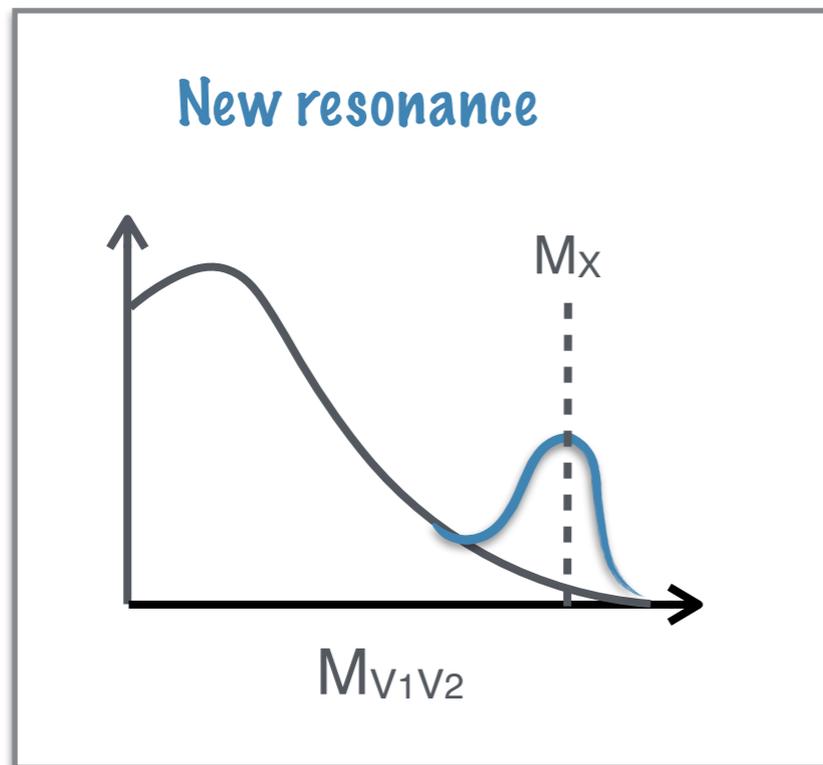


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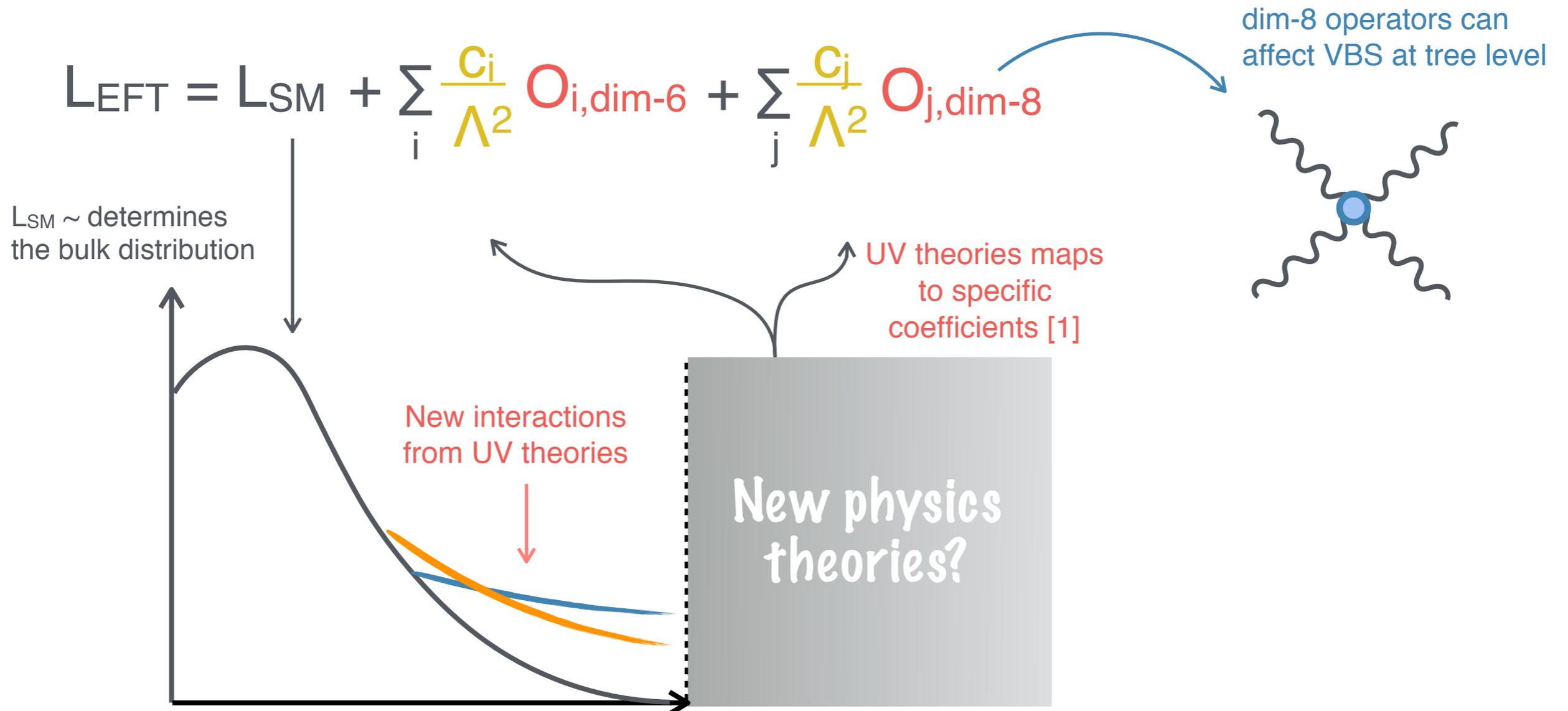
If $M_X > E_{LHC}$,
new interaction in tails

New physics may
be (just) beyond
our reach



Effective Field Theory (EFT)

- Deviations are parametrized by higher order operators from SM fields

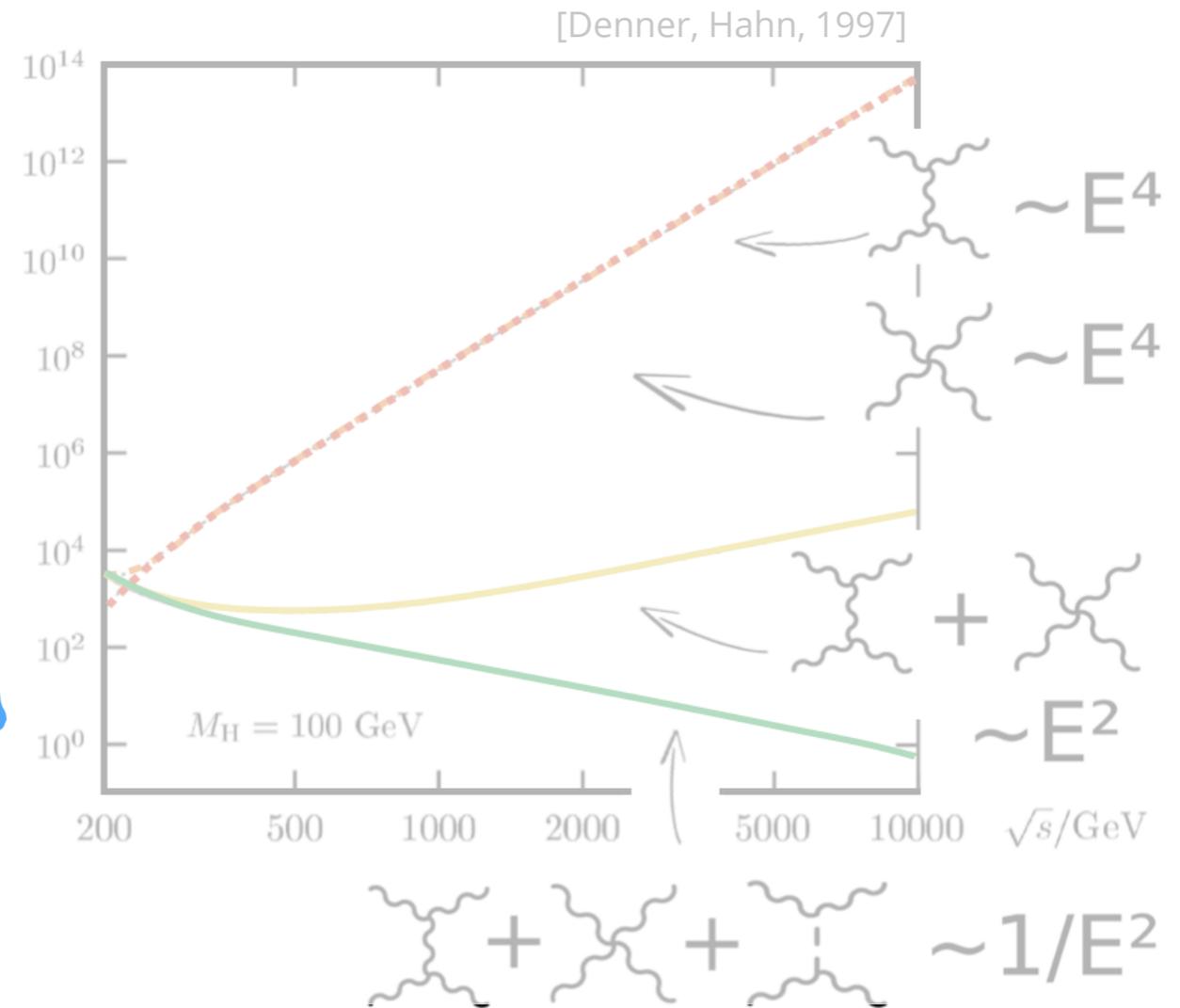


- EFT are model independent and self consistent framework for parametrizing deviations from the SM

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Vector Boson Scattering is important

1. Test the consistency of the SM
2. Deviations from predictions can be sign for new physics



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| Model | Limit | Reference |
|------------------|--|---|
| Extra dimensions | ADD $G_{KK} \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ $1-4j$ Yes 36.1 | M_D 7.7 TeV $n=2$ |
| | ADD non-linear 2γ - 36.7 | M_S 8.6 TeV $n=3 \text{ HLZ NLO}$ |
| | ADD OBH $\geq 2j$ - 37.0 | M_n 8.9 TeV $n=6$ |
| | ADD BH high Σp_T $\geq 1 e, \mu$ $\geq 2j$ - 3.2 | M_{th} 8.2 TeV $n=6, M_D=3 \text{ TeV, rot BH}$ |
| | ADD BH multijet $\geq 3j$ - 3.6 | M_{th} 9.55 TeV $n=6, M_D=3 \text{ TeV, rot BH}$ |
| | RS1 $G_{KK} \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ 2γ - 36.7 | $G_{KK} \text{ mass}$ 4.1 TeV $k/\bar{M}_{Pl} = 0.1$ |
| | Bulk RS $G_{KK} \rightarrow WW/ZZ$ multi-channel 36.1 | $G_{KK} \text{ mass}$ 2.3 TeV $k/\bar{M}_{Pl} = 1.0$ |
| | Bulk RS $G_{KK} \rightarrow WW/ZZ \rightarrow qqqq$ $0 e, \mu$ $2j$ - 139 | $G_{KK} \text{ mass}$ 2.8 TeV $k/\bar{M}_{Pl} = 1.0$ |
| | Bulk RS $G_{KK} \rightarrow tt$ $1 e, \mu$ $\geq 1 b, \geq 1j/2j$ Yes 36.1 | $G_{KK} \text{ mass}$ 3.8 TeV $\Gamma/m = 15\%$ |
| | 2UED / RPP $1 e, \mu$ $\geq 2 b, \geq 3j$ Yes 36.1 | $KK \text{ mass}$ 1.8 TeV Tier (1,1), $\mathcal{B}(A^{(1,1)} \rightarrow \tau\tau) = 1$ |
| Gauge bosons | SSM $Z' \rightarrow \ell\ell$ $2 e, \mu$ - 139 | $Z' \text{ mass}$ 5.1 TeV 1903.06248 |
| | SSM $Z' \rightarrow \tau\tau$ 2τ - 36.1 | $Z' \text{ mass}$ 2.42 TeV 1709.07242 |
| | Leptophobic $Z' \rightarrow bb$ - $2b$ - 36.1 | $Z' \text{ mass}$ 2.1 TeV 1805.09299 |
| | Leptophobic $Z' \rightarrow tt$ $1 e, \mu$ $\geq 1 b, \geq 1j/2j$ Yes 36.1 | $Z' \text{ mass}$ 3.0 TeV 1804.10623 |
| | SSM $W' \rightarrow \ell\nu$ $1 e, \mu$ - 139 | $W' \text{ mass}$ 5.6 TeV ATLAS-CONF-2019-017 |
| | SSM $W' \rightarrow \tau\nu$ $1 e, \mu$ - 139 | $W' \text{ mass}$ 3.7 TeV 1801.06992 |
| | HVT $V' \rightarrow WW$ $1 e, \mu$ - 139 | $V' \text{ mass}$ 4.4 TeV ATLAS-CONF-2019-003 |
| | $V' \text{ mass}$ 2.93 TeV 1712.06518 | $W' \text{ mass}$ 3.25 TeV 1807.10473 |
| CI | A 21.8 TeV η_{LL} 1703.09127 | |
| | A 40.0 TeV η_{LL} 1707.02424 | |
| DM | $\tilde{m}_{\tilde{g}}$ 1.55 TeV $g_s=0.25, g_t=1.0, m(\chi) = 1 \text{ GeV}$ 1711.03301 | |
| | $\tilde{m}_{\tilde{t}}$ 67 TeV $g_s=1.0, m(\chi) = 1 \text{ GeV}$ 1711.03301 | |
| LQ | Scalar LQ 1^{st} gen $1, 2 e$ $\geq 2j$ Yes 36.1 | $LQ \text{ mass}$ 1.9 TeV 1902.00377 |
| | Scalar LQ 2^{nd} gen $1, 2 e$ $\geq 2j$ Yes 36.1 | $LQ \text{ mass}$ 1.56 TeV 1902.00377 |
| | Scalar LQ 3^{rd} gen 2τ $\geq 2b$ - 36.1 | $LQ \text{ mass}$ 1.03 TeV 1902.08103 |
| | Scalar LQ 3^{rd} gen $0-1 e, \mu$ $2b$ Yes 36.1 | $LQ \text{ mass}$ 970 GeV 1902.08103 |
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| Heavy quarks | VLQ $TT \rightarrow Ht/Zt/Wb+X$ multi-channel 36.1 | $T \text{ mass}$ 1.34 TeV 1808.02343 |
| | VLQ $BB \rightarrow Wt/Zb+X$ multi-channel 36.1 | $B \text{ mass}$ 1.34 TeV 1808.02343 |
| | VLQ $T_{5/3} T_{5/3} \rightarrow Wt+X$ $2(SS)/23 e, \mu \geq 1 b, \geq 1j$ Yes 36.1 | $T_{5/3} \text{ mass}$ 984 TeV 1807.11883 |
| | VLQ $Y \rightarrow Wb+X$ $1 e, \mu$ $\geq 1 b, \geq 1j$ Yes 36.1 | $Y \text{ mass}$ 1.85 TeV 1812.07343 |
| | VLQ $B \rightarrow Hb+X$ $0 e, \mu, 2\gamma$ $\geq 1 b, \geq 1j$ Yes 79.8 | $B \text{ mass}$ 1.21 TeV ATLAS-CONF-2018-024 |
| | VLQ $QQ \rightarrow WqWq$ $1 e, \mu$ $\geq 4j$ Yes 20.3 | $Q \text{ mass}$ 690 GeV 1509.04261 |
| Excited fermions | Excited quark $q^* \rightarrow qg$ - $2j$ - 139 | $q^* \text{ mass}$ 6.7 TeV ATLAS-CONF-2019-007 |
| | Excited quark $q^* \rightarrow q\gamma$ 1γ $1j$ - 36.7 | $q^* \text{ mass}$ 5.3 TeV 1709.10440 |
| | Excited quark $b^* \rightarrow bg$ - $1 b, 1j$ - 36.1 | $b^* \text{ mass}$ 2.6 TeV 1805.09299 |
| | Excited lepton l^* $3 e, \mu$ - 20.3 | $l^* \text{ mass}$ 3.0 TeV 1411.2921 |
| | Excited lepton ν^* $3 e, \mu, \tau$ - 20.3 | $\nu^* \text{ mass}$ 1.6 TeV 1411.2921 |
| Other | Type III Seesaw $1 e, \mu$ $\geq 2j$ Yes 79.8 | $N^c \text{ mass}$ 560 GeV ATLAS-CONF-2018-020 |
| | LRSB Majorana ν 2μ $2j$ - 36.1 | $N_M \text{ mass}$ 3.2 TeV 1809.11105 |
| | Higgs triplet $H^{\pm\pm} \rightarrow \ell\ell$ $2, 3, 4 e, \mu$ (SS) - 36.1 | $H^{\pm\pm} \text{ mass}$ 870 GeV 1710.09748 |
| | Higgs triplet $H^{\pm\pm} \rightarrow \ell\tau$ $3 e, \mu, \tau$ - 20.3 | $H^{\pm\pm} \text{ mass}$ 400 GeV 1411.2921 |
| | Multi-charged particles - 36.1 | multi-charged particle mass 1.22 TeV 1812.03673 |
| | Magnetic monopoles - 7.0 | monopole mass 1.34 TeV 1509.08059 |

Mass scale [TeV]

$\sqrt{s} = 8 \text{ TeV}$ $\sqrt{s} = 13 \text{ TeV}$ partial data $\sqrt{s} = 13 \text{ TeV}$ full data

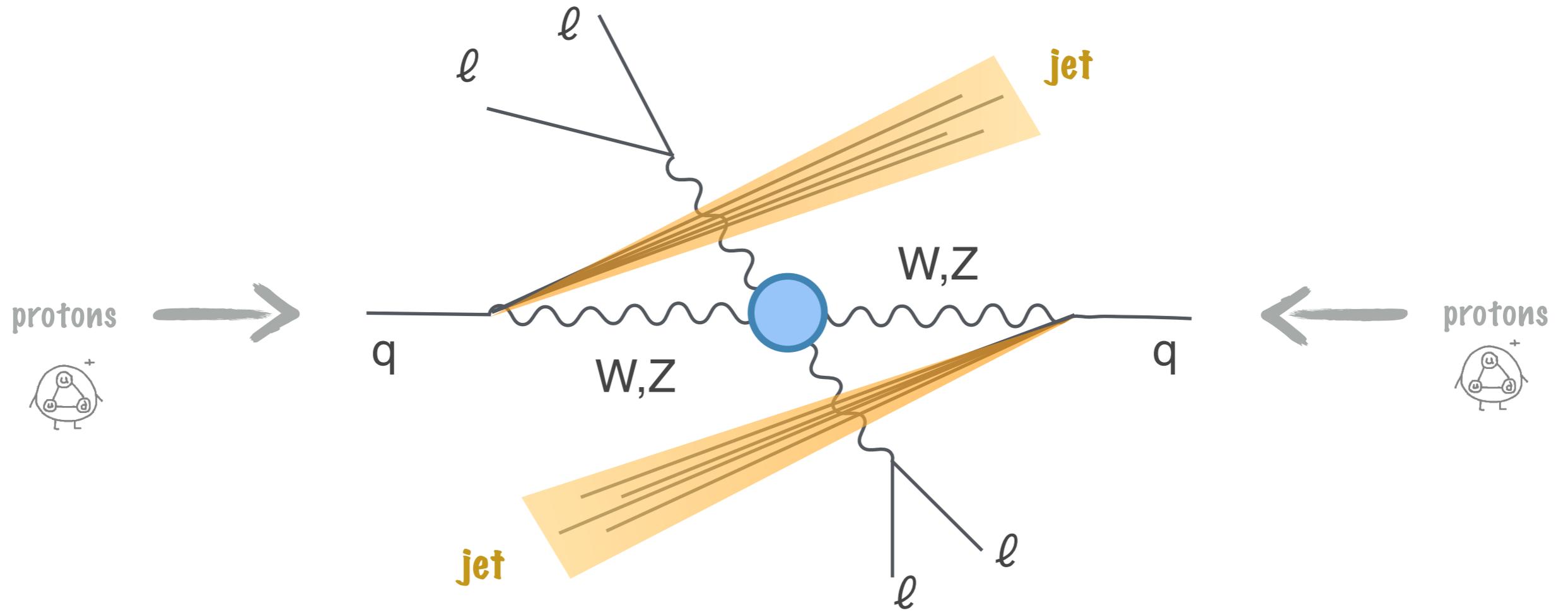
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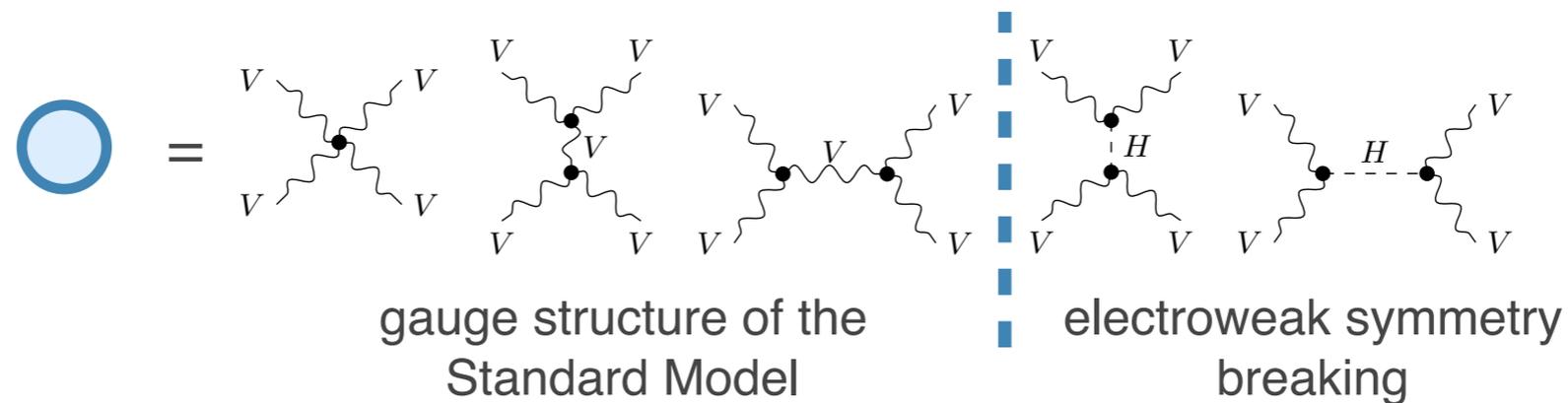
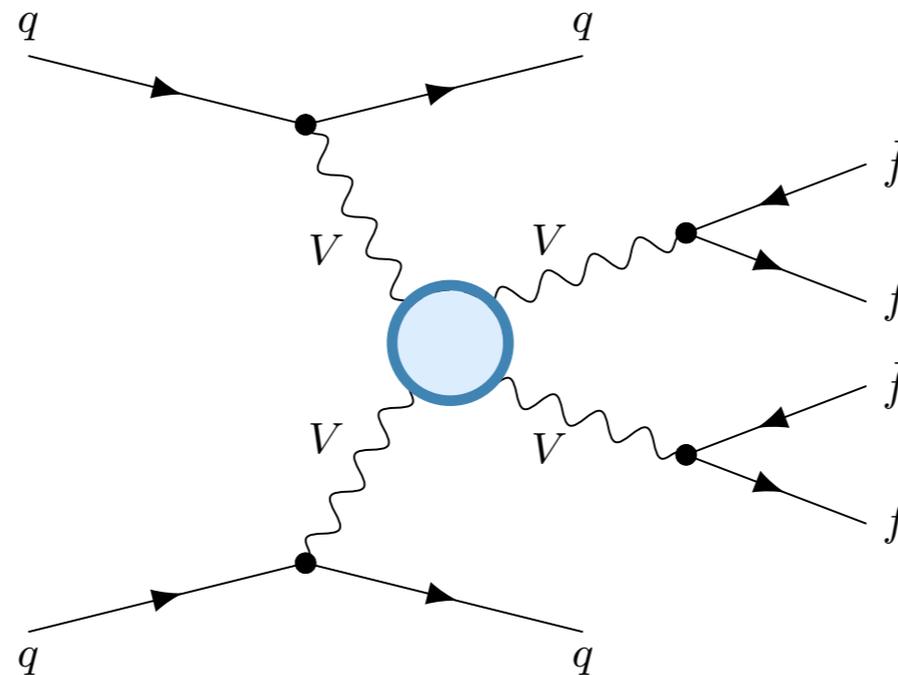
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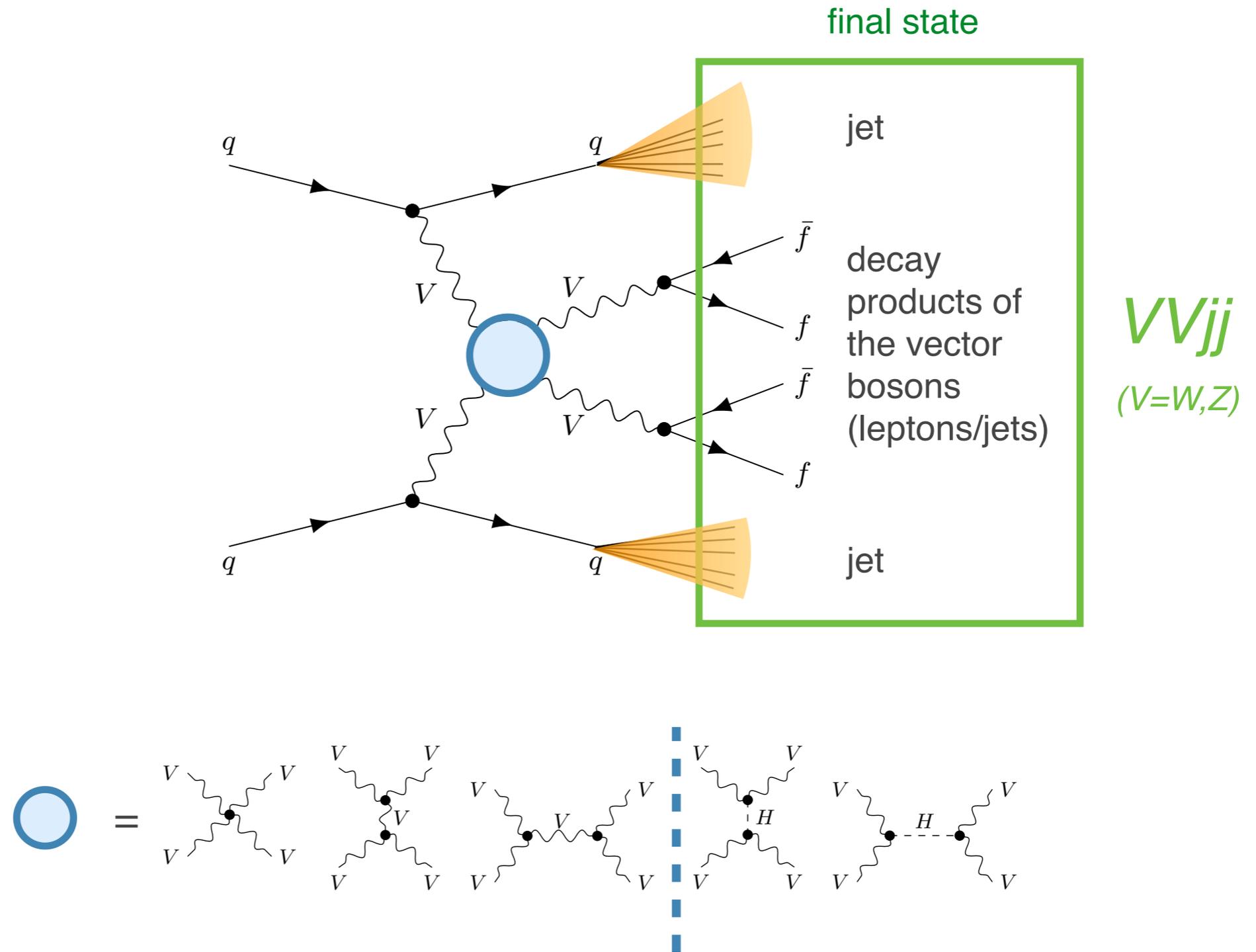
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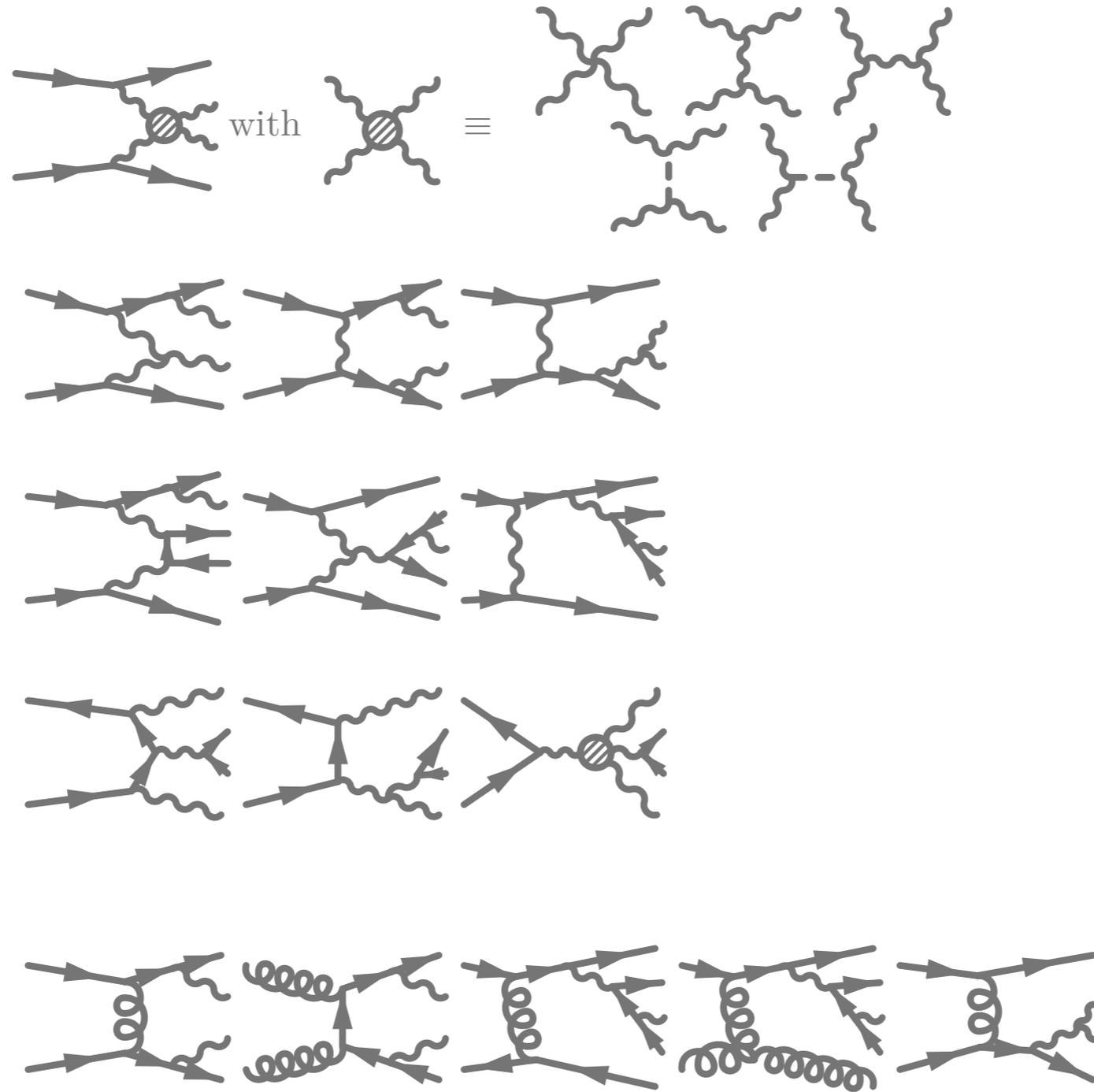
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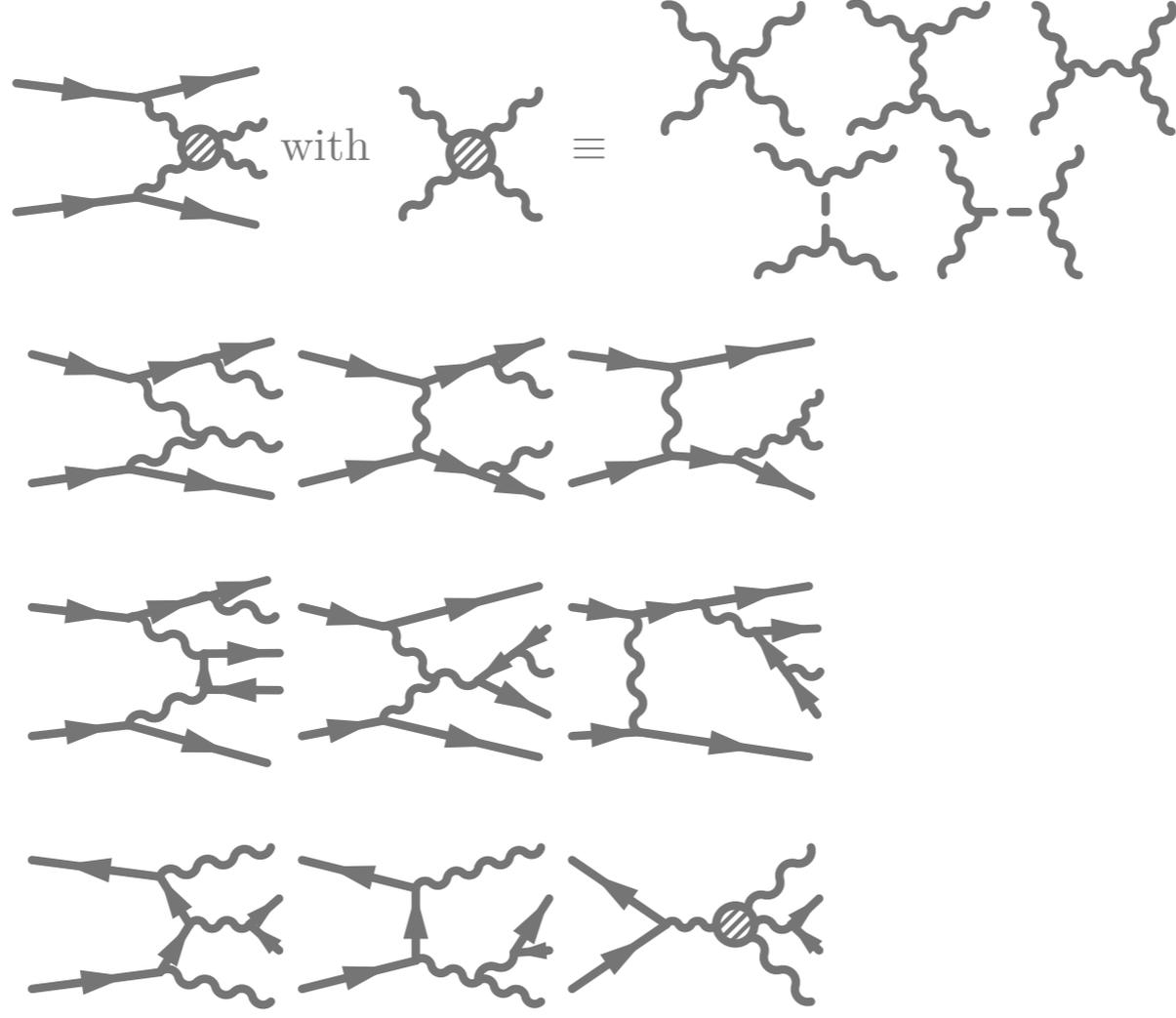
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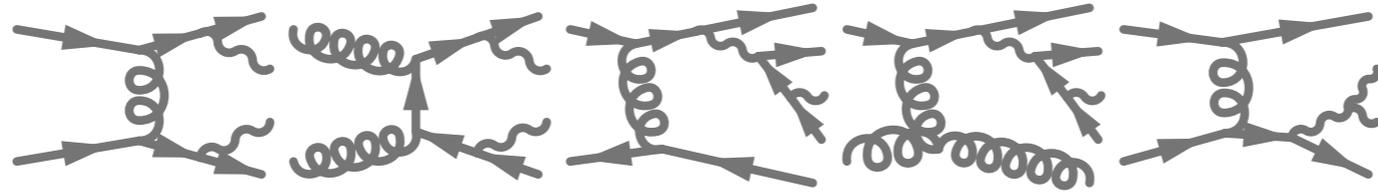
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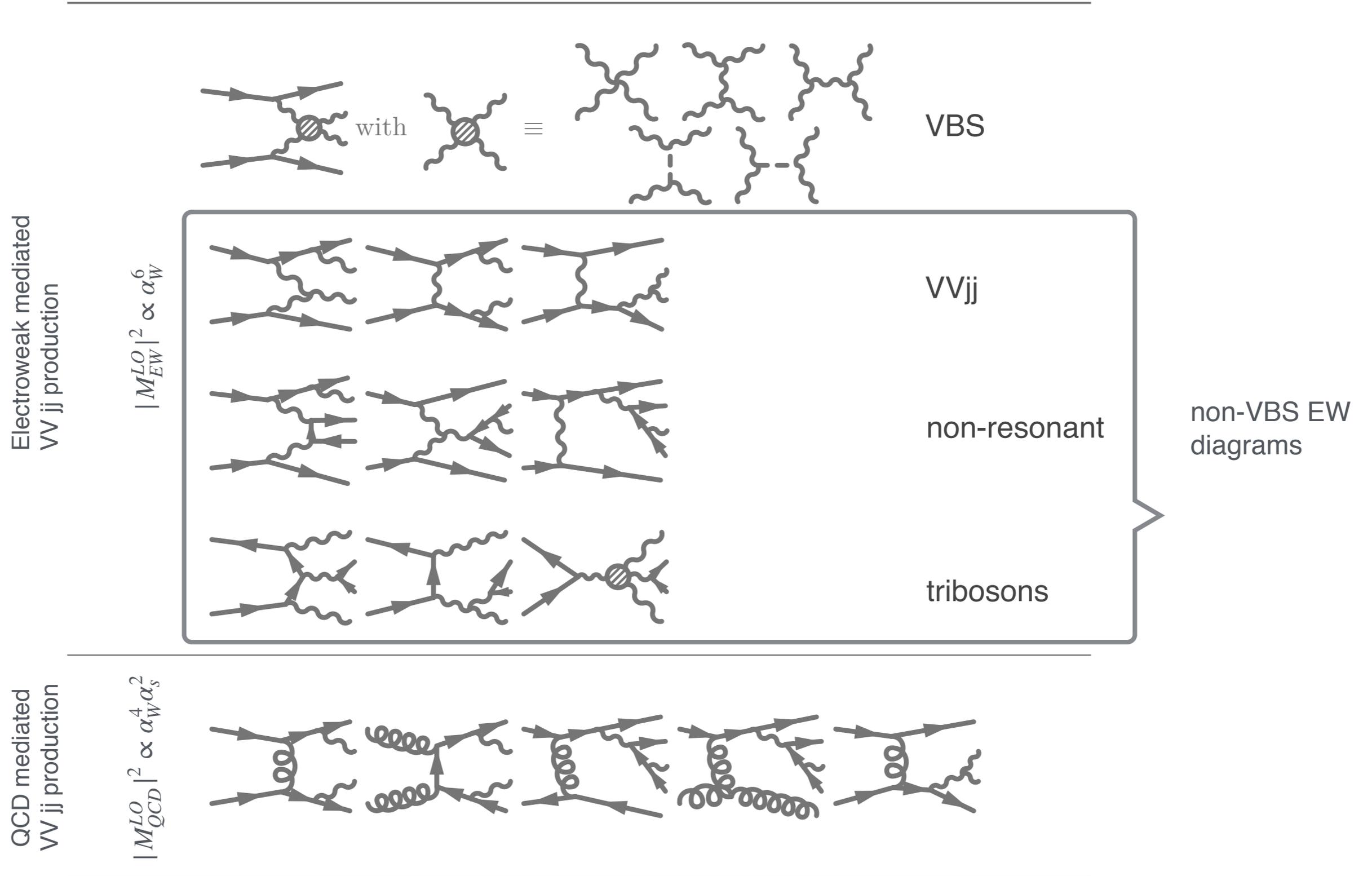


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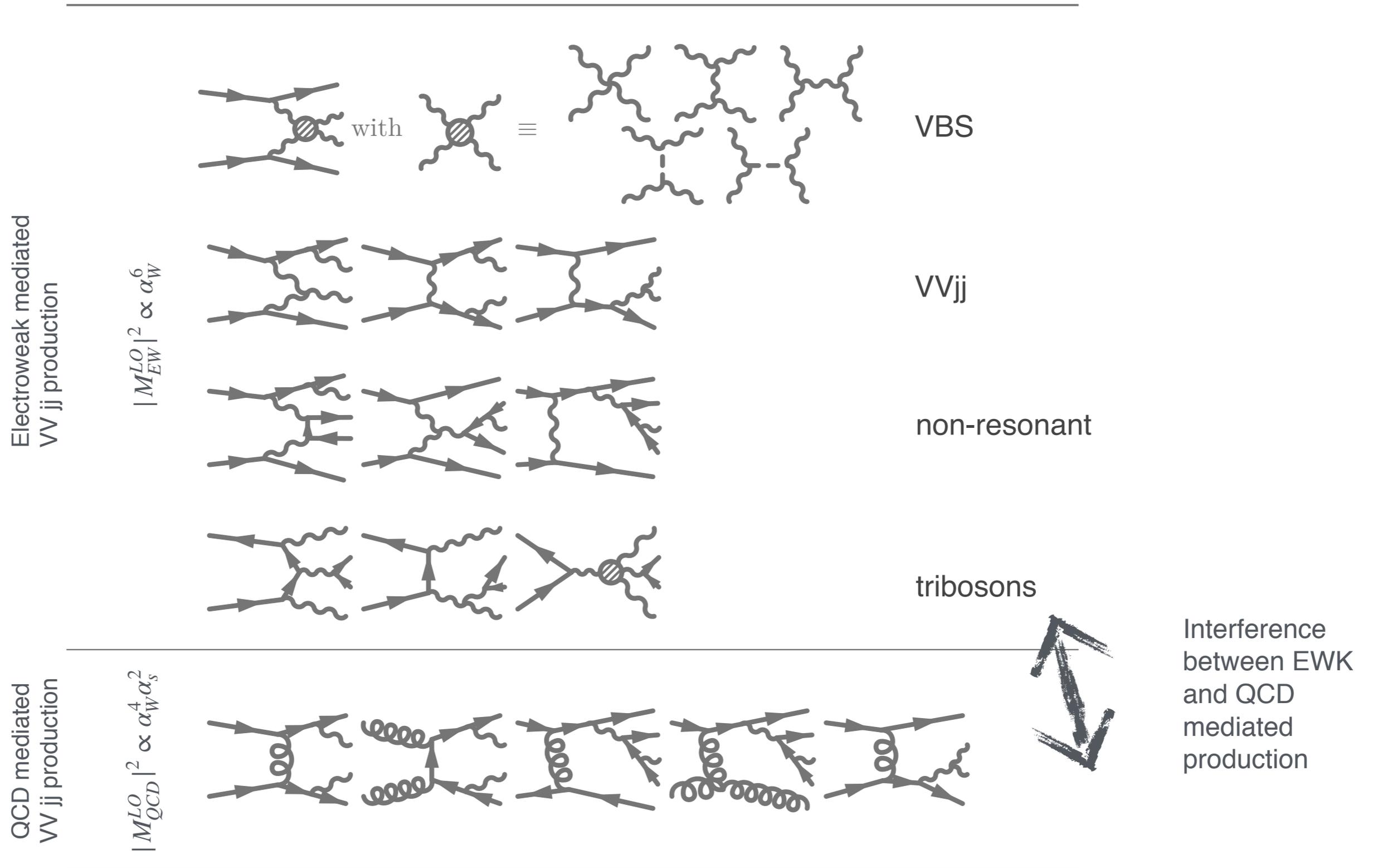
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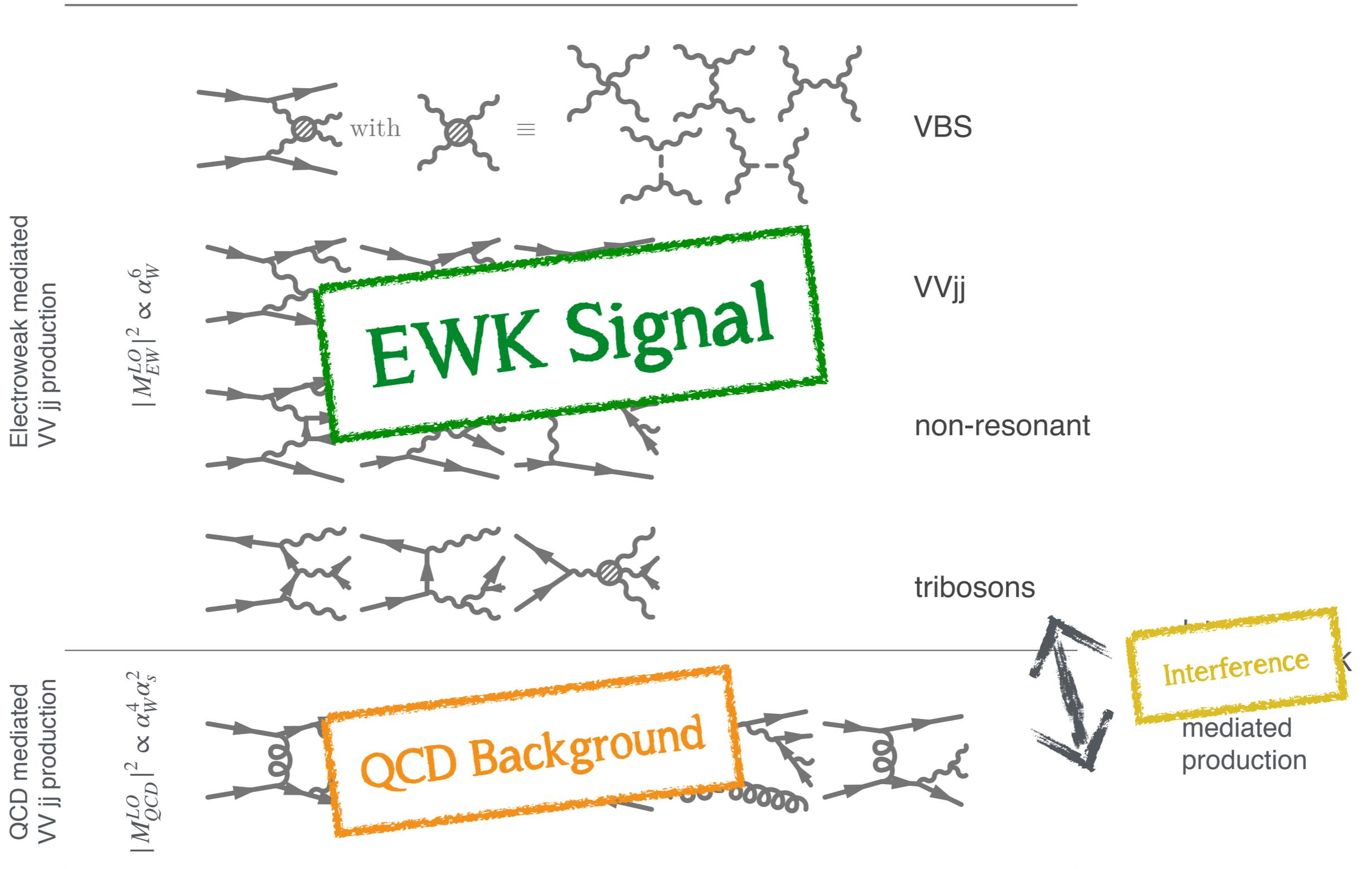
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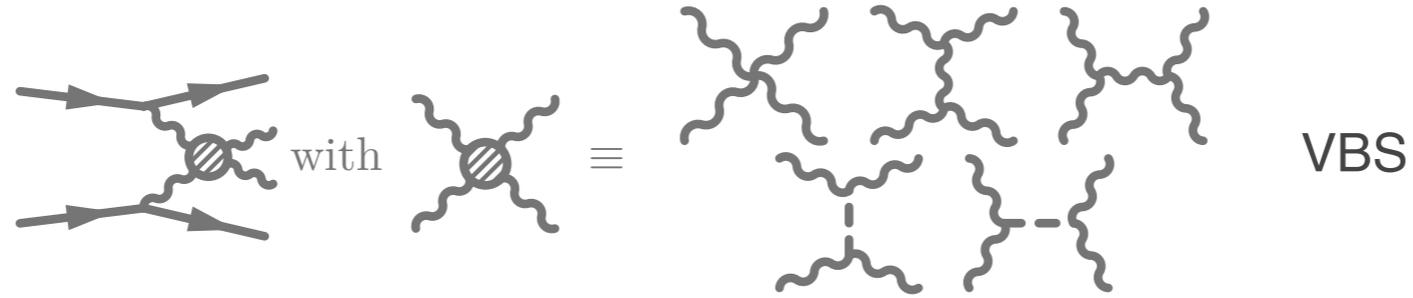
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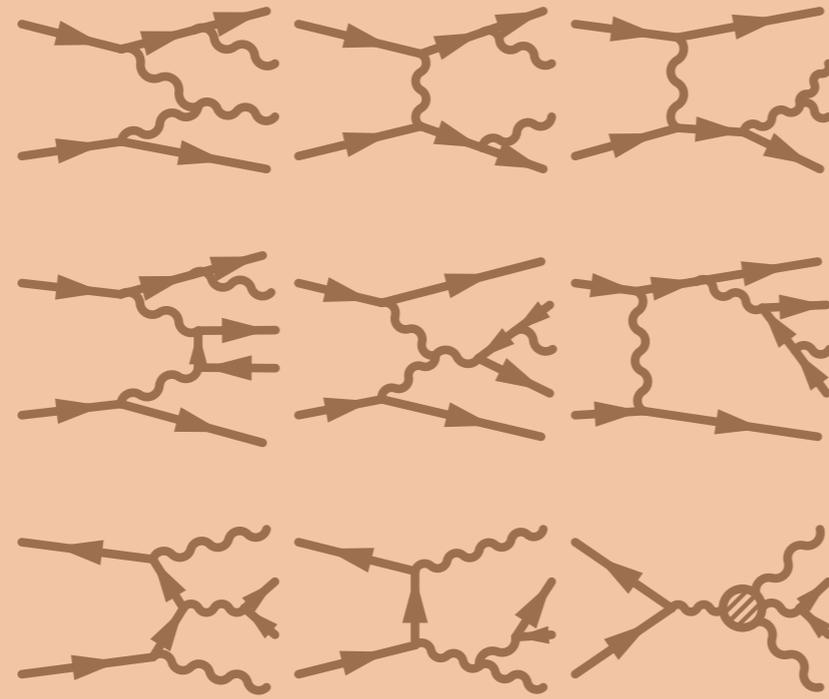


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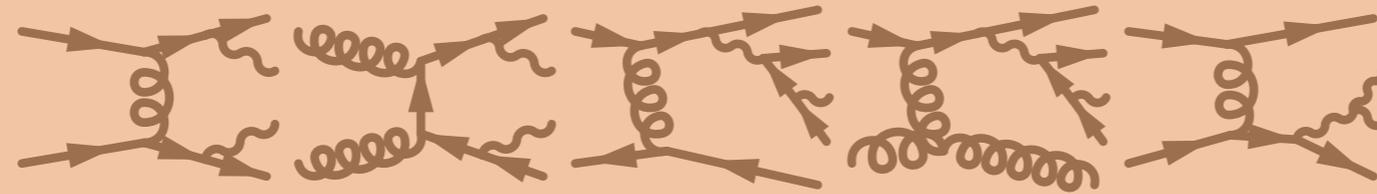
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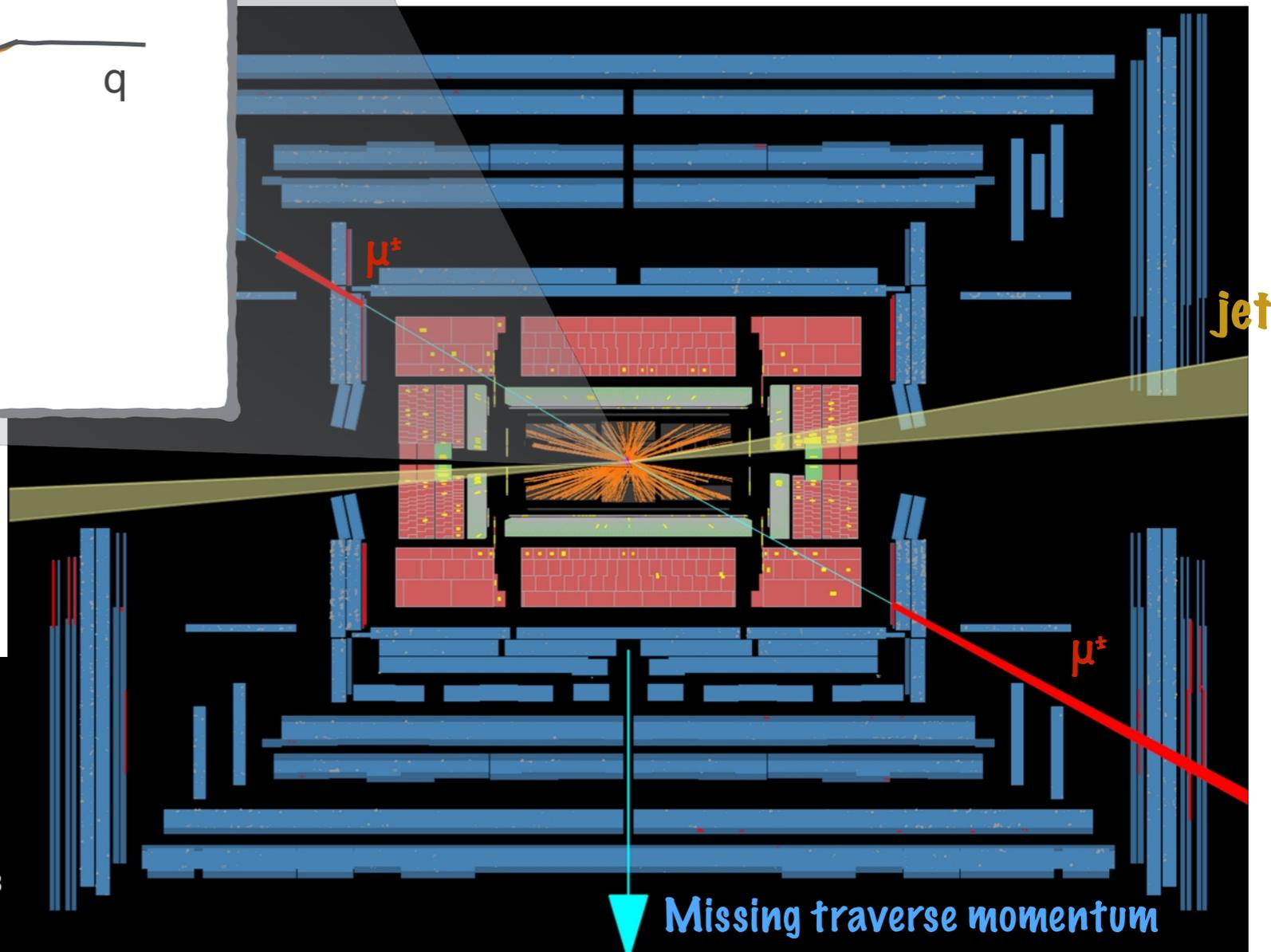
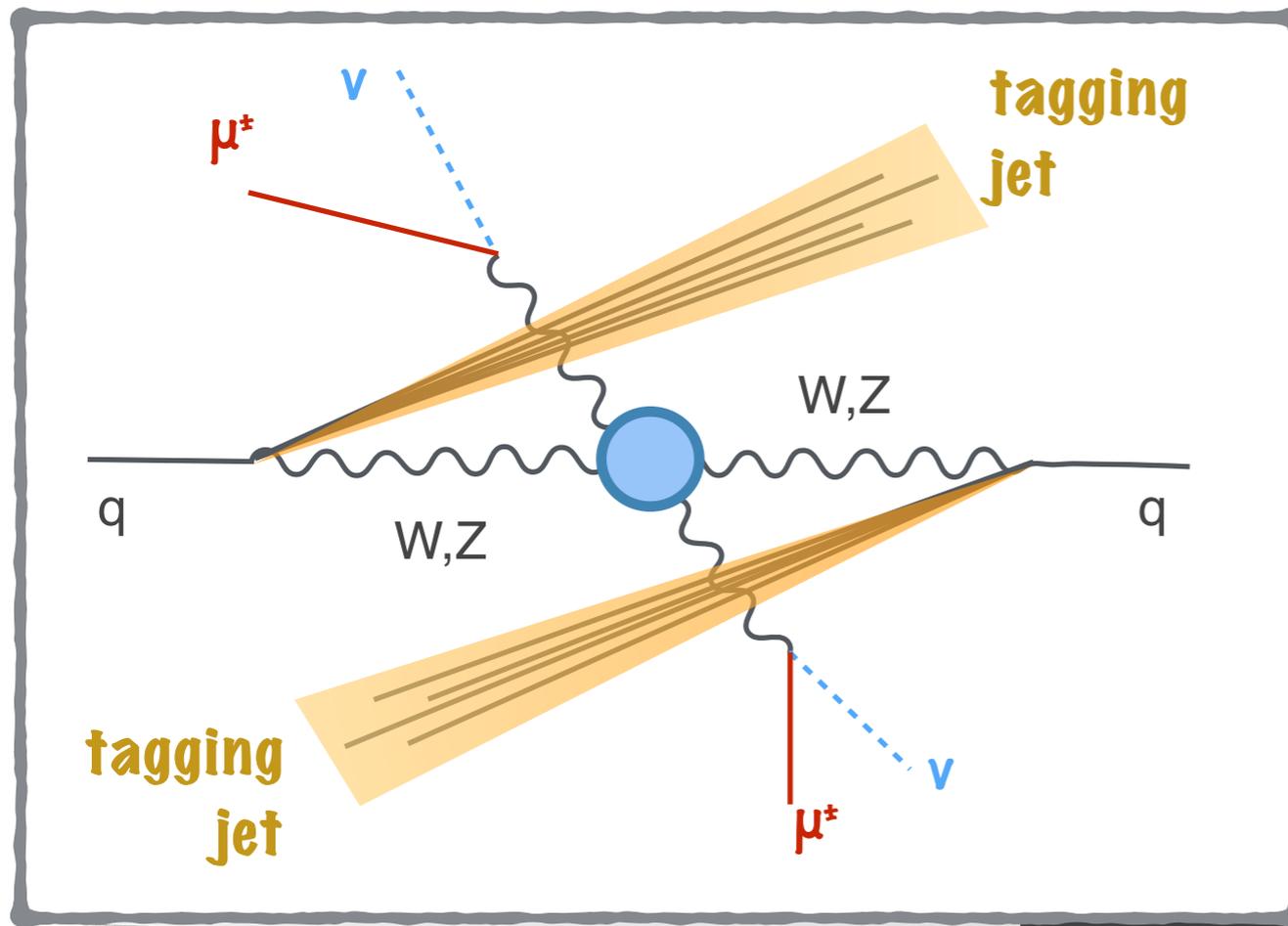
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Can be reduced
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Vector Boson Scattering topology



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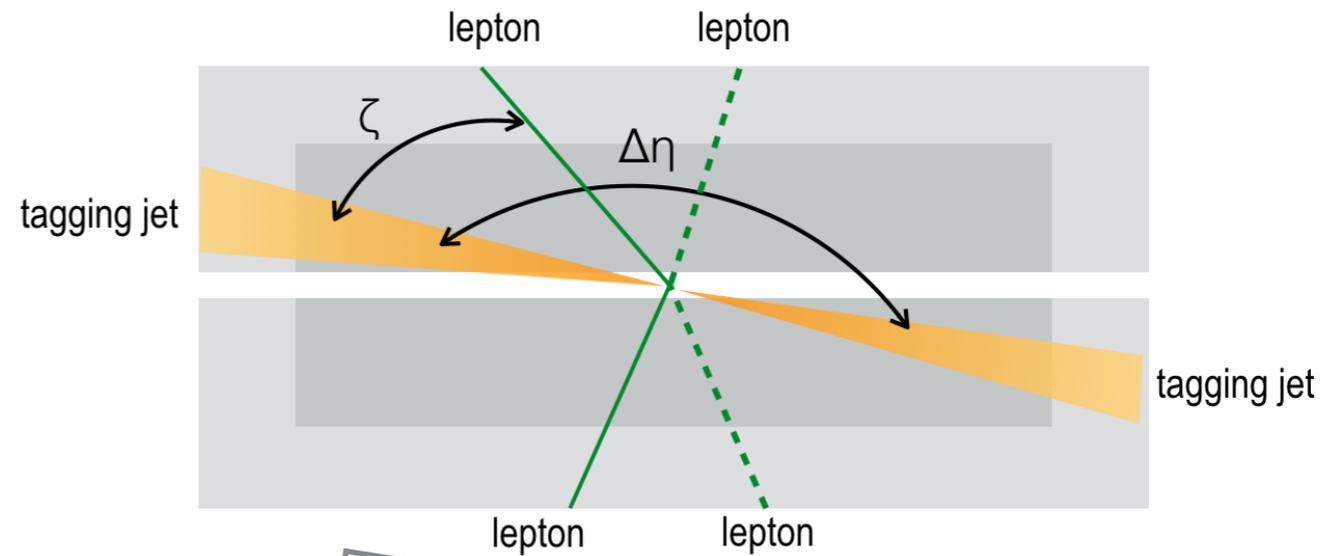
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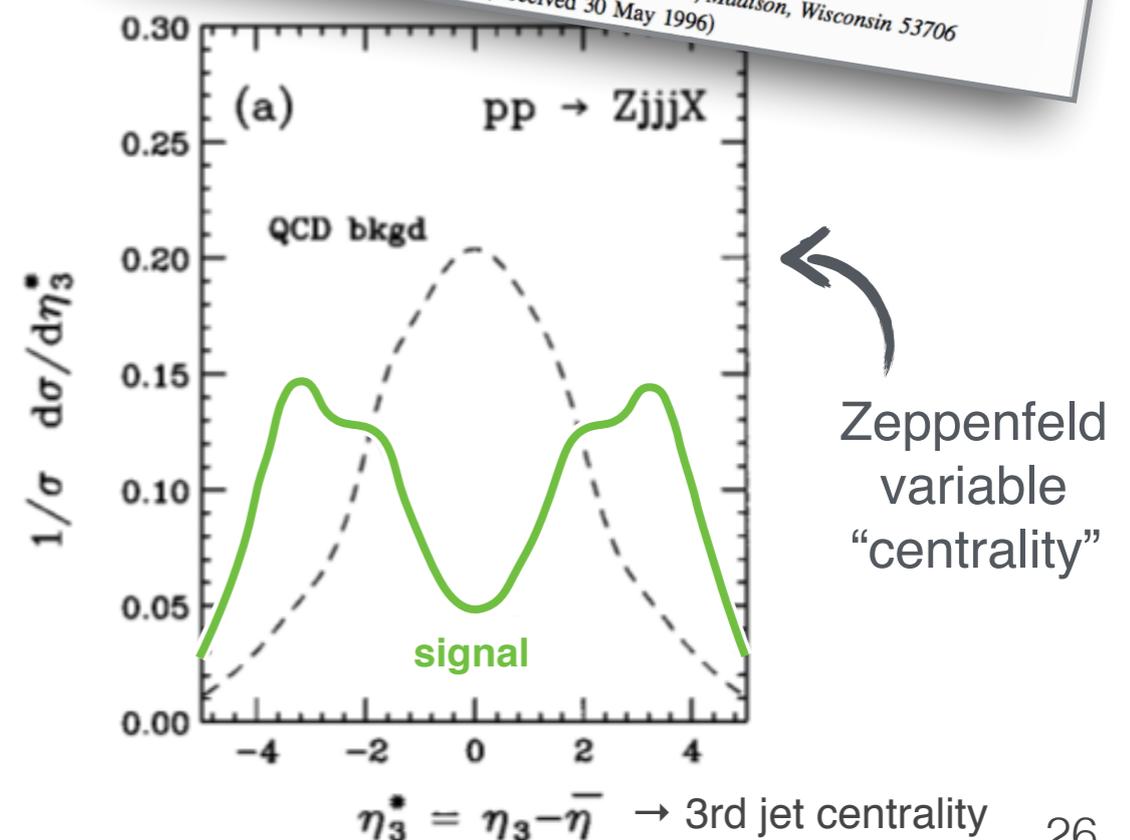
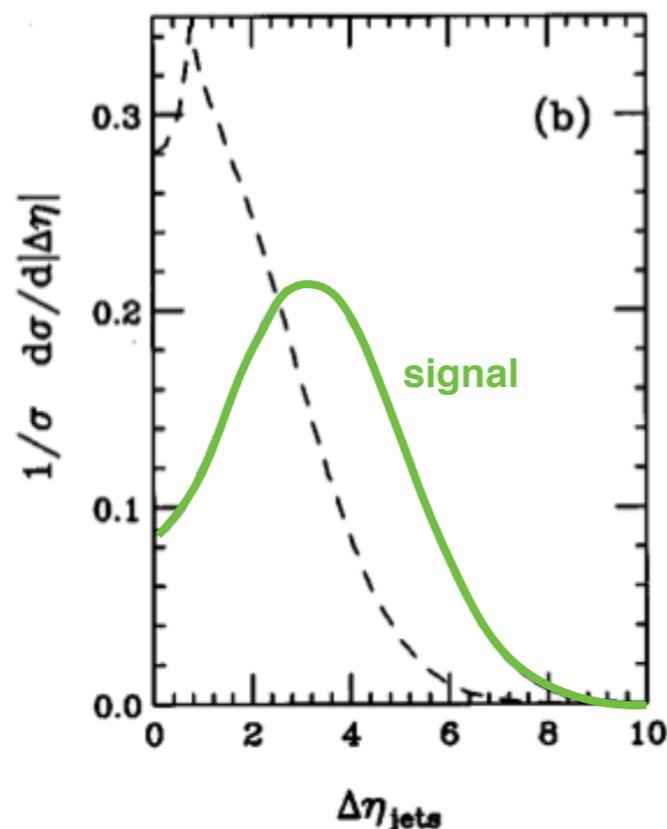
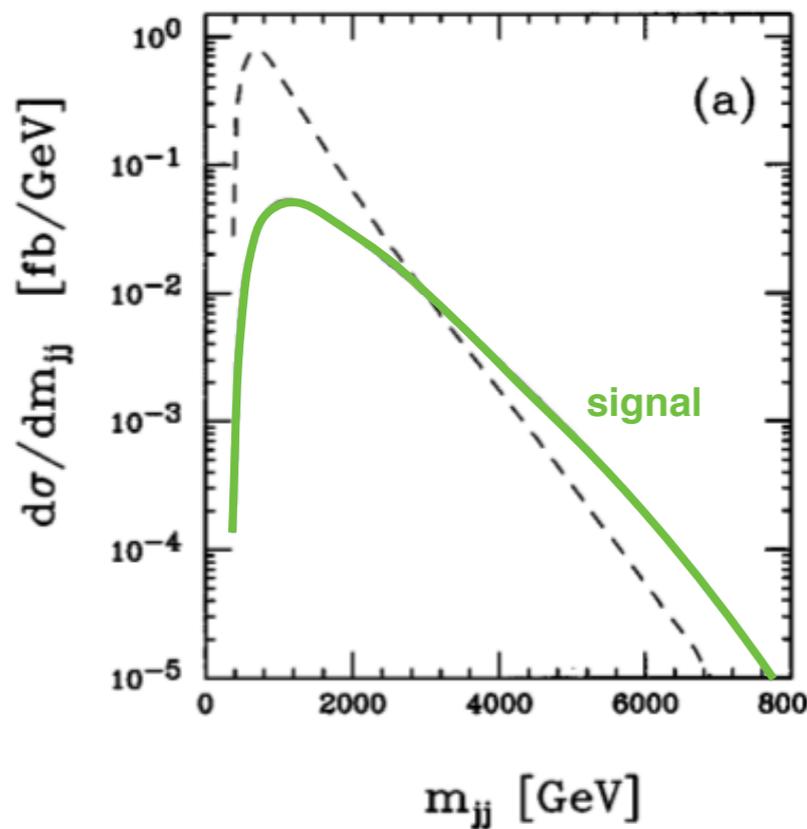
Vector Boson Scattering topology

VBS at the LHC has a typical final state topology

- Two hadronic jets in forward and backward regions with very high energy (tagging jets)
- Two bosons produced \sim back-to-back (lepton centrality ζ)
- Hadronic activity suppressed between the two jets due to absence of color flow between interacting partons \rightarrow not used jet because of MC miss modeling



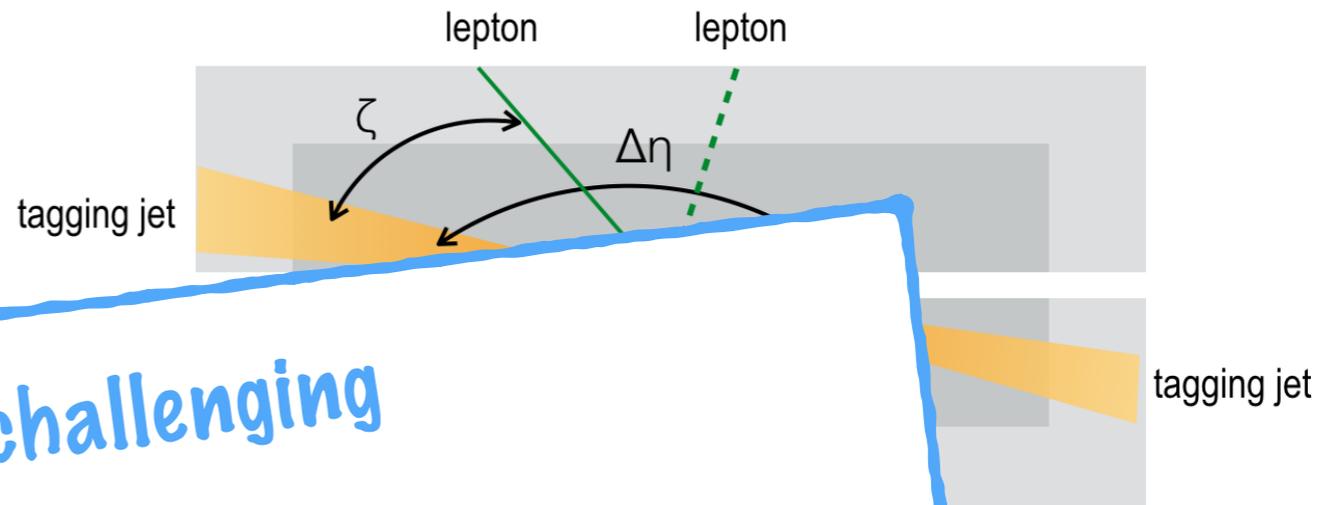
Probing color-singlet exchange in $Z+2$ -jet events at the CERN LHC
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 (Received 30 May 1996)



Vector Boson Scattering topology

VBS at the LHC has a typical final state topology

- Two hadronic jets in forward and backward regions with very high energy (tagging jets)
- Two bosons produced (lepton central)
- Hadronic activity due to absence of partons → not used

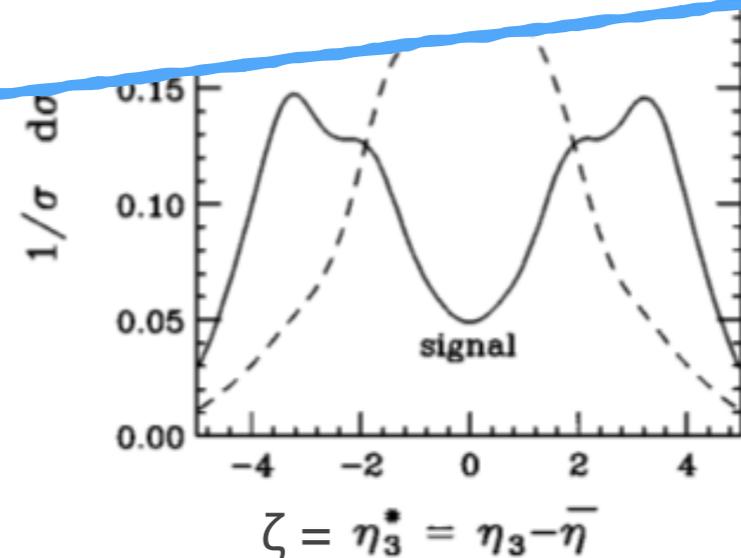
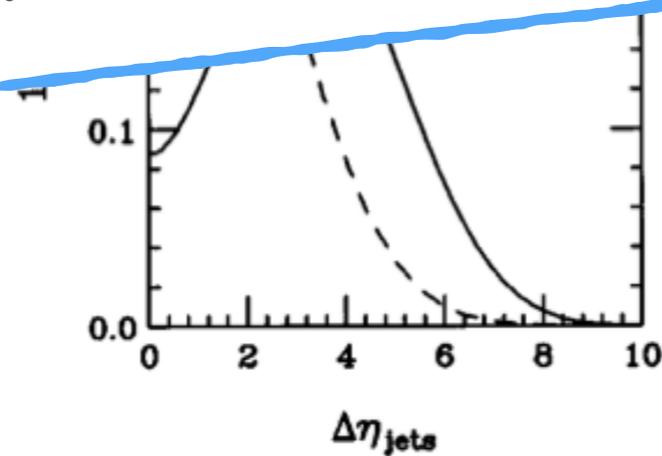
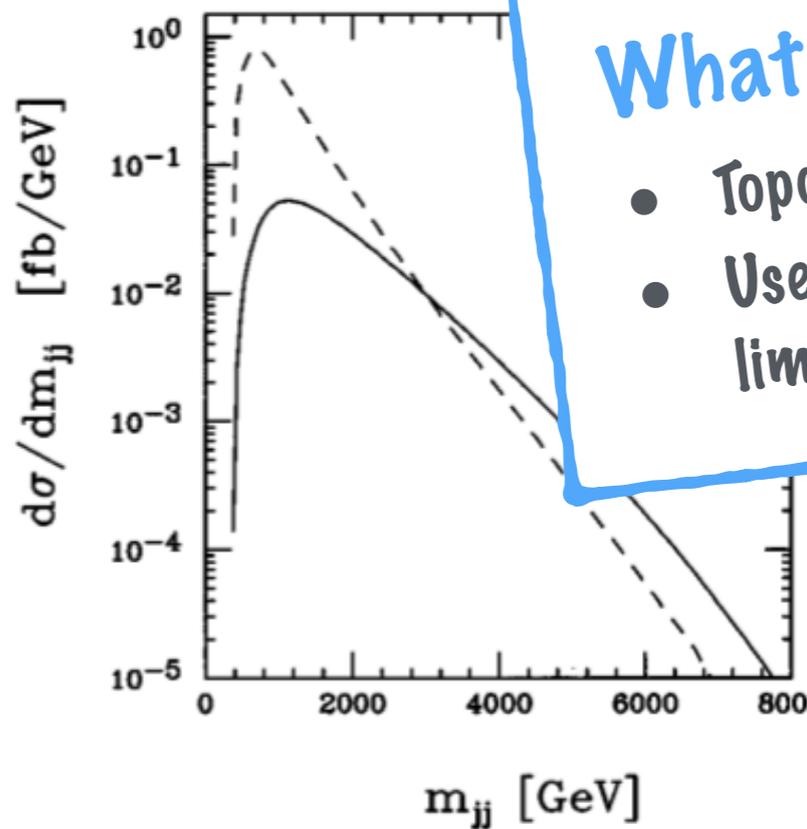


Experimentally VBS is challenging

- very low rate (O(fb))
- large background, generally from QCD mediated production of same final state

What can help?

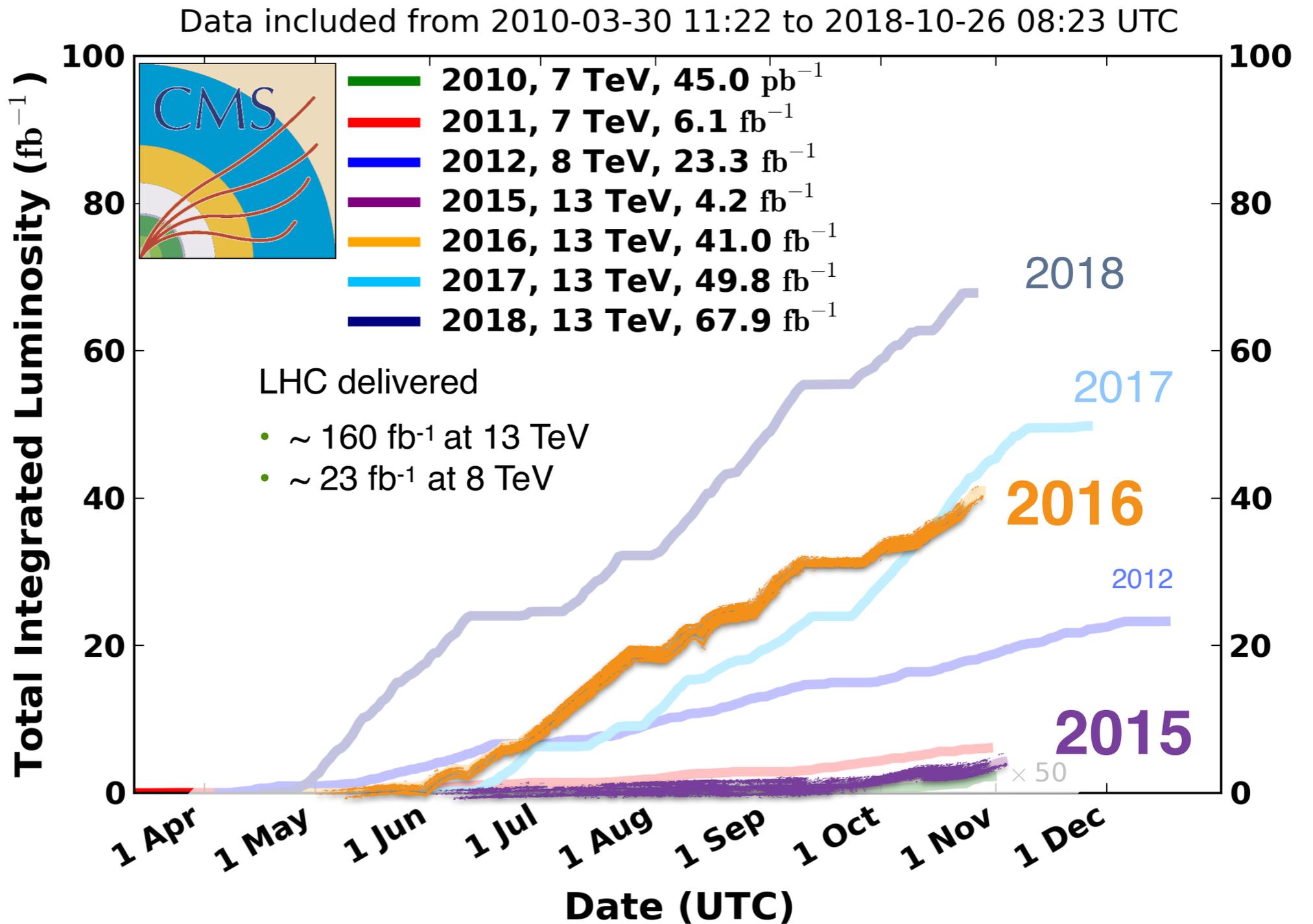
- Topological selection to reduce QCD mediated background
- Use of leptons/photons final states (clean channels, more limited backgrounds)



Zeppenfeld variable
"centrality"

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Experimental results



Experimental results

- Datasets
 - ATLAS: 8 TeV (20.2 fb⁻¹) and **13 TeV (36.1 fb⁻¹)**
 - CMS: 8 TeV (19.7 fb⁻¹) and **13 TeV (35.9 fb⁻¹)**
- Channels studied



| final state | | | |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------|
| W [±] W [±] | l [±] νl [±] ν jj | PRL 120 (2018) 081801 | CONF-2018-030 |
| W [±] Z | l [±] νll jj | arXiv:1901.04060 | arXiv:1812.09740 |
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| ZV | llJ jj | | |

First observation !!

Best EFT limits

Best EW/QCD

Largest cross section

very sensitive to new physics

ATLAS experimental results

$W^\pm Z \rightarrow \ell \nu \ell \ell$ [arXiv:1812.09740]

Fully leptonic decay channels
Bkg reduction
VBS topological

3 high p_T leptons (e, μ)
2 ℓ of same flavour and opposite charge with $p_T > 15$ GeV
1 ℓ with $p_T > 20$ GeV
Z window (10 GeV)
 $M_T(W) > 30$ GeV

b-jet veto, 4 lepton veto

2 jets ($p_T > 40$ GeV)
 $M_{jj} > 500$ GeV and jets in the opposite hemisphere

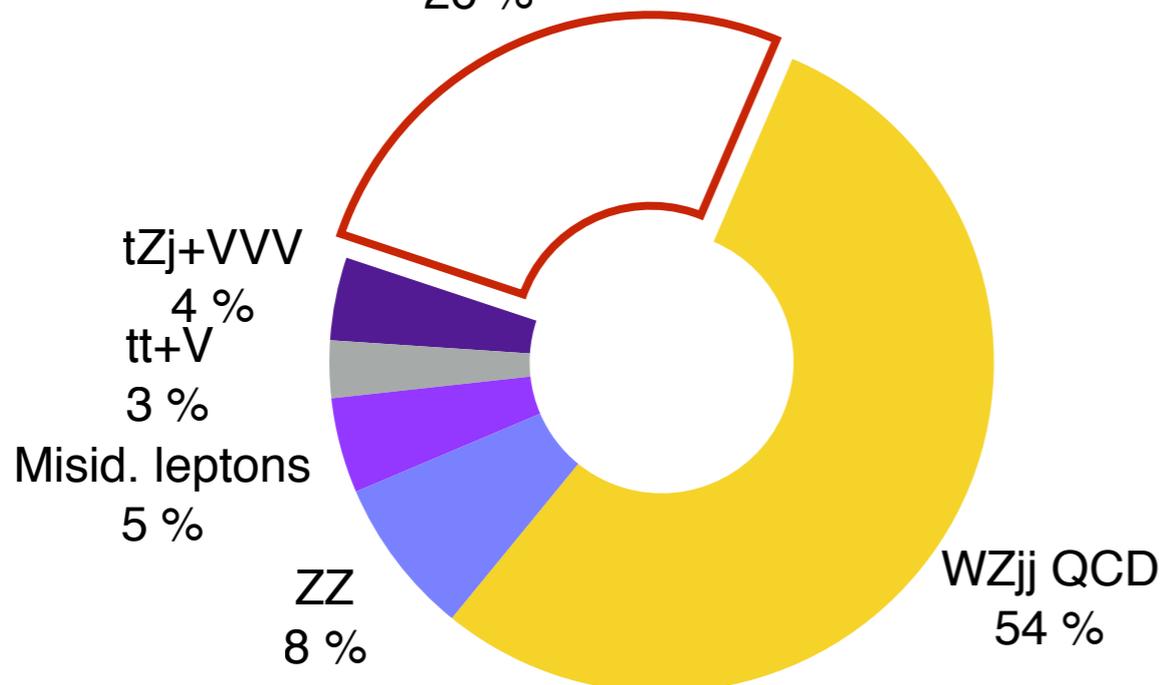
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2 high p_T leptons (e, μ)
2 ℓ of same charge $p_T > 27$ GeV
 $m_{\ell\ell} > 20$ GeV
 $E_T^{\text{miss}} > 30$ GeV

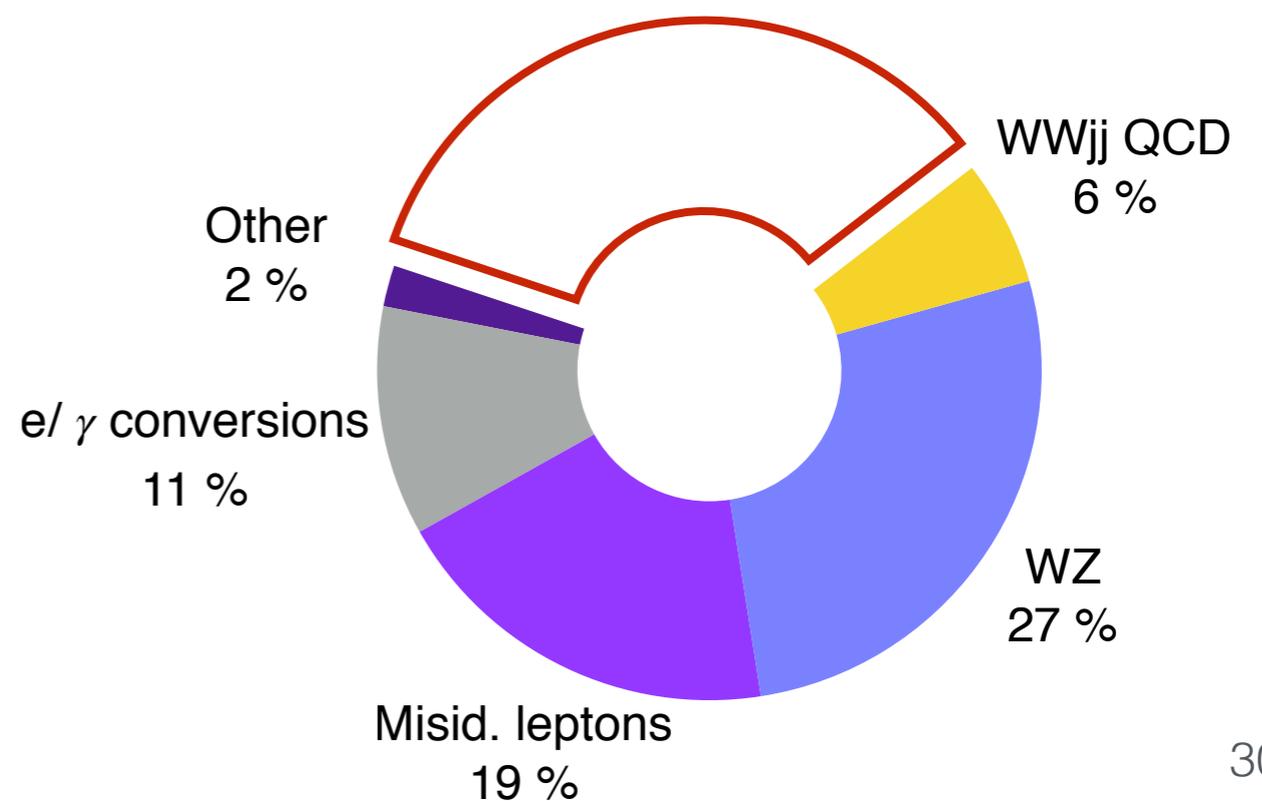
Veto ee pairs in Z mass window (15 GeV),
3 lepton veto, b-jet veto

2 jets ($p_T > 65, 35$ GeV)
 $M_{jj} > 500$ GeV and $|\Delta y_{jj}| > 2$

WZjj EW
26 %



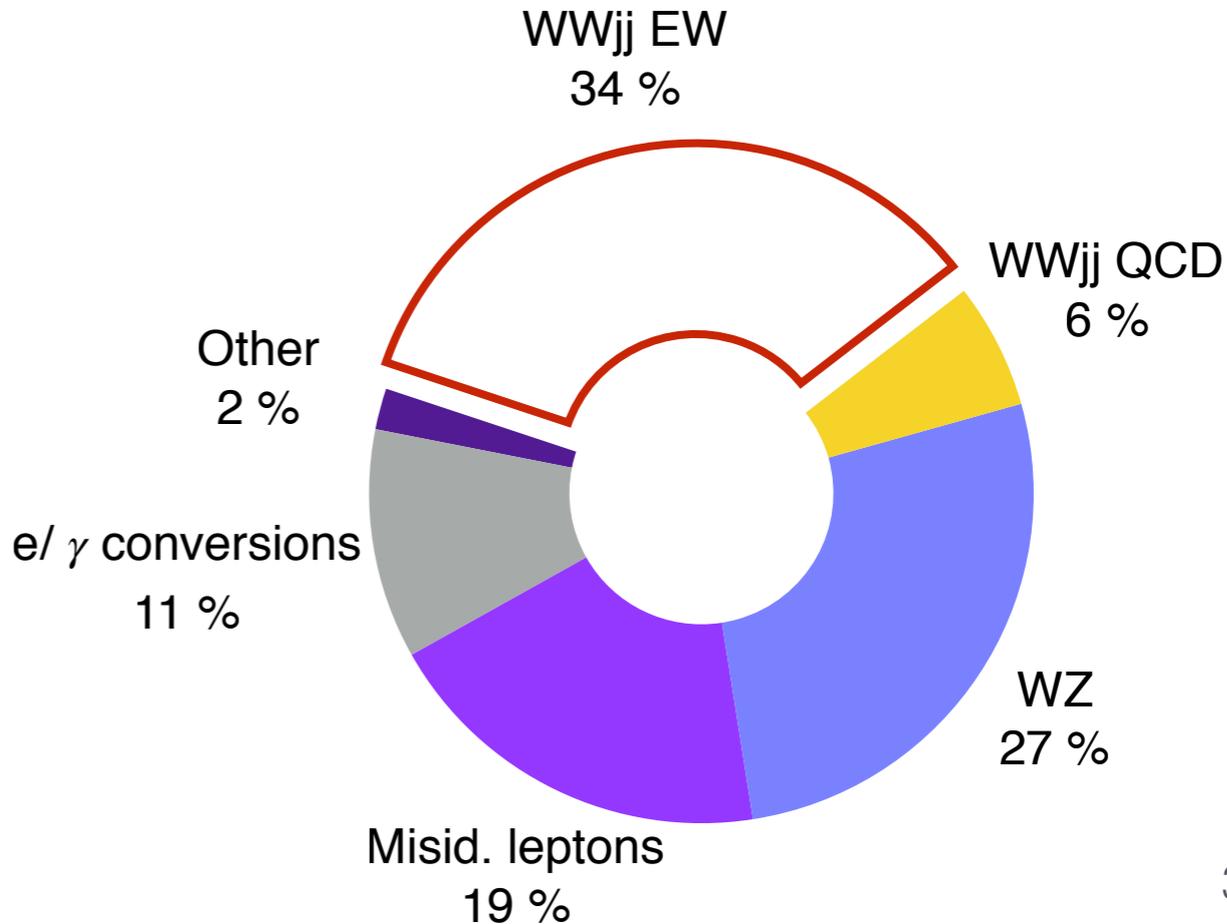
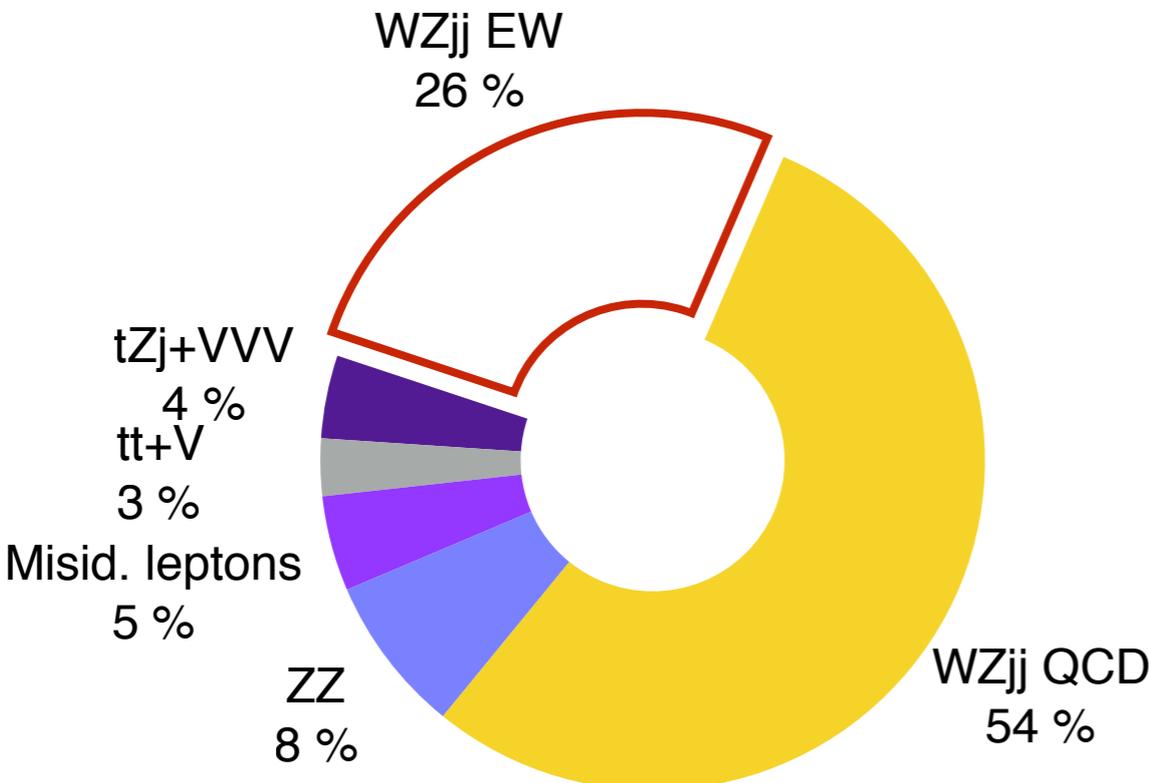
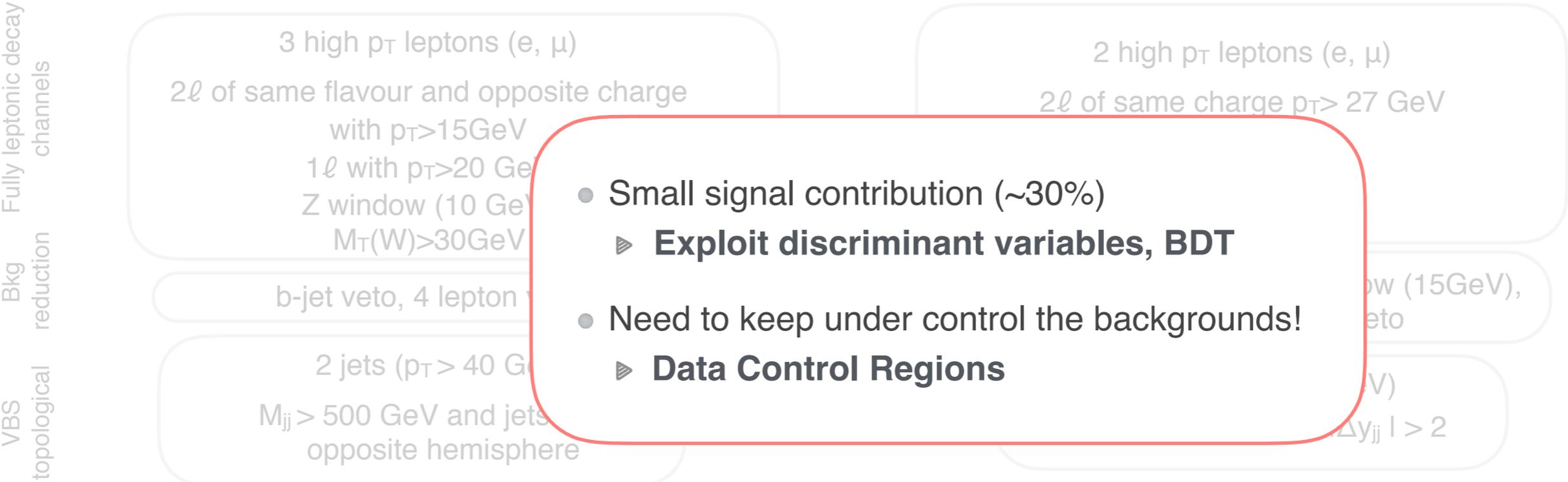
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ATLAS experimental results

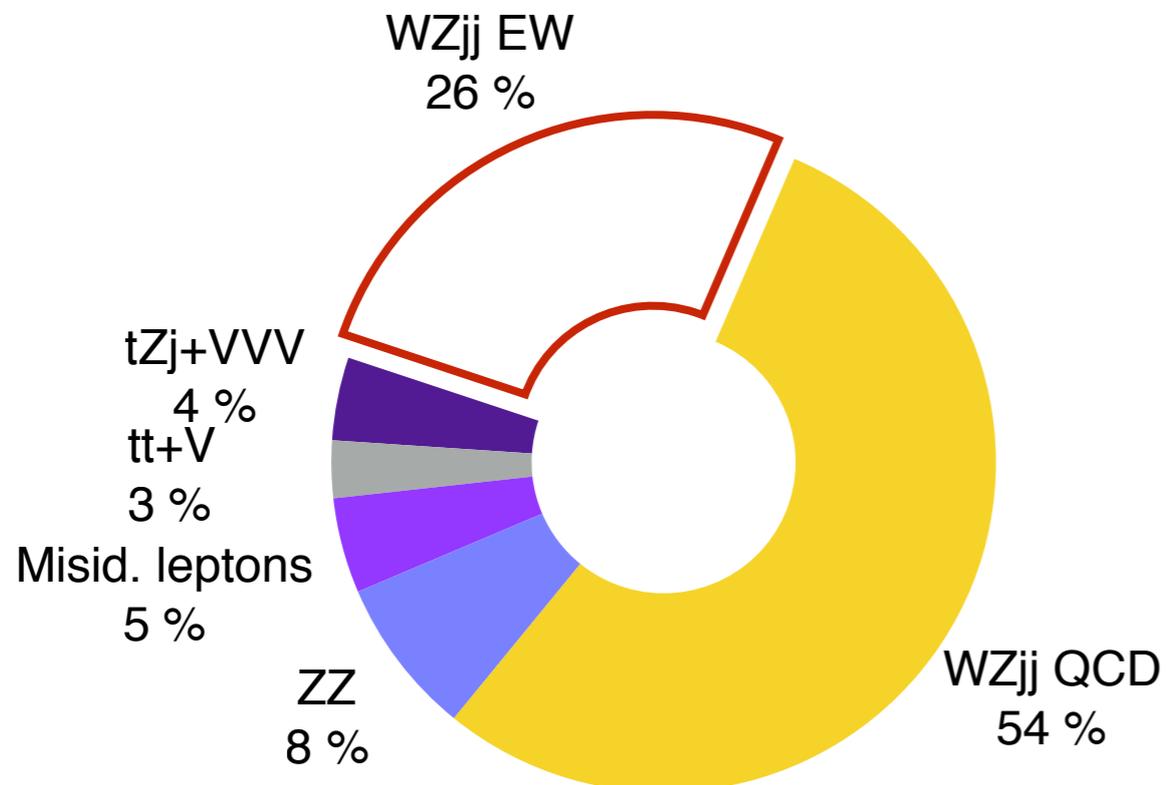
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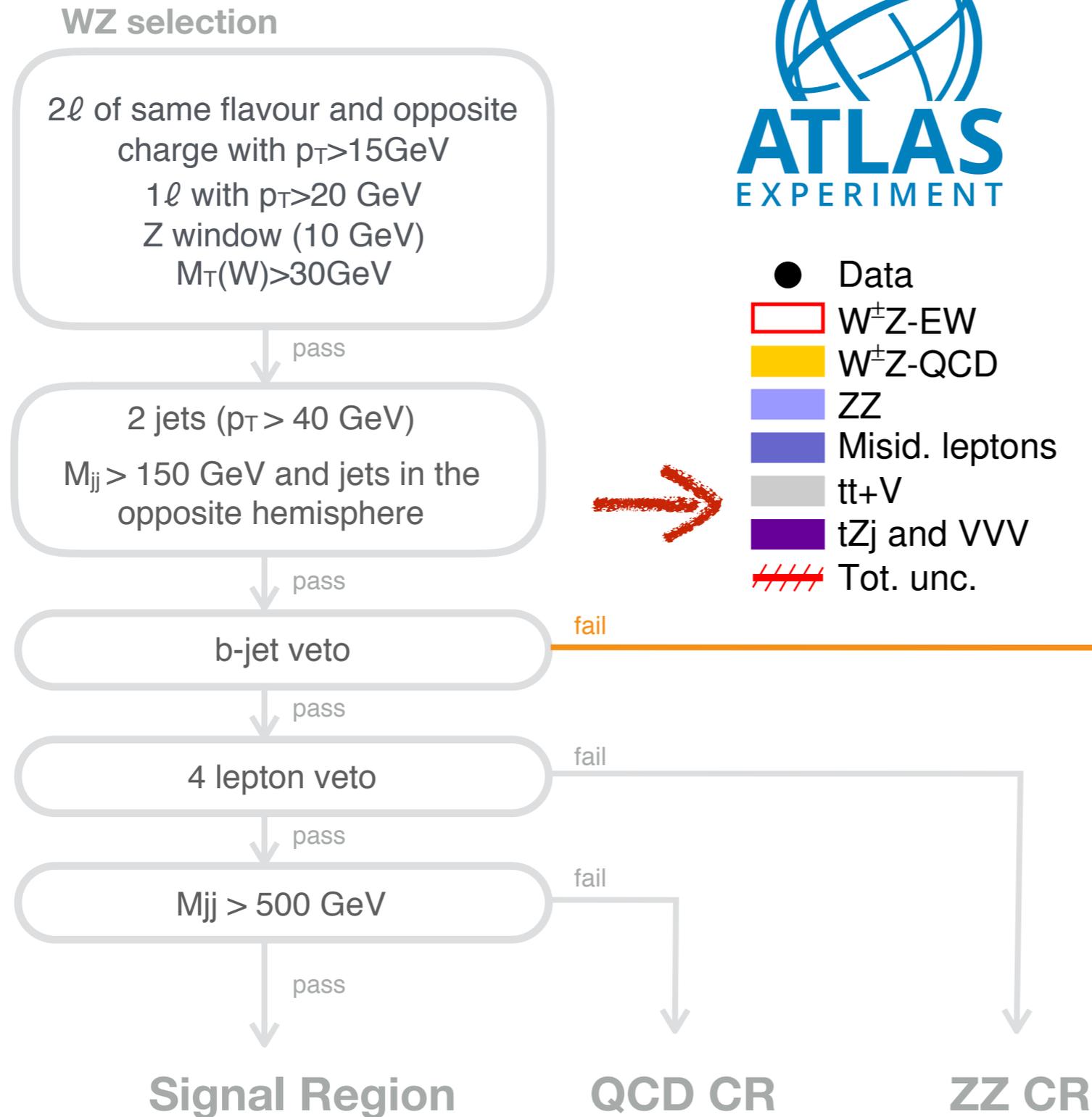


$W^{\pm}Z$ analysis

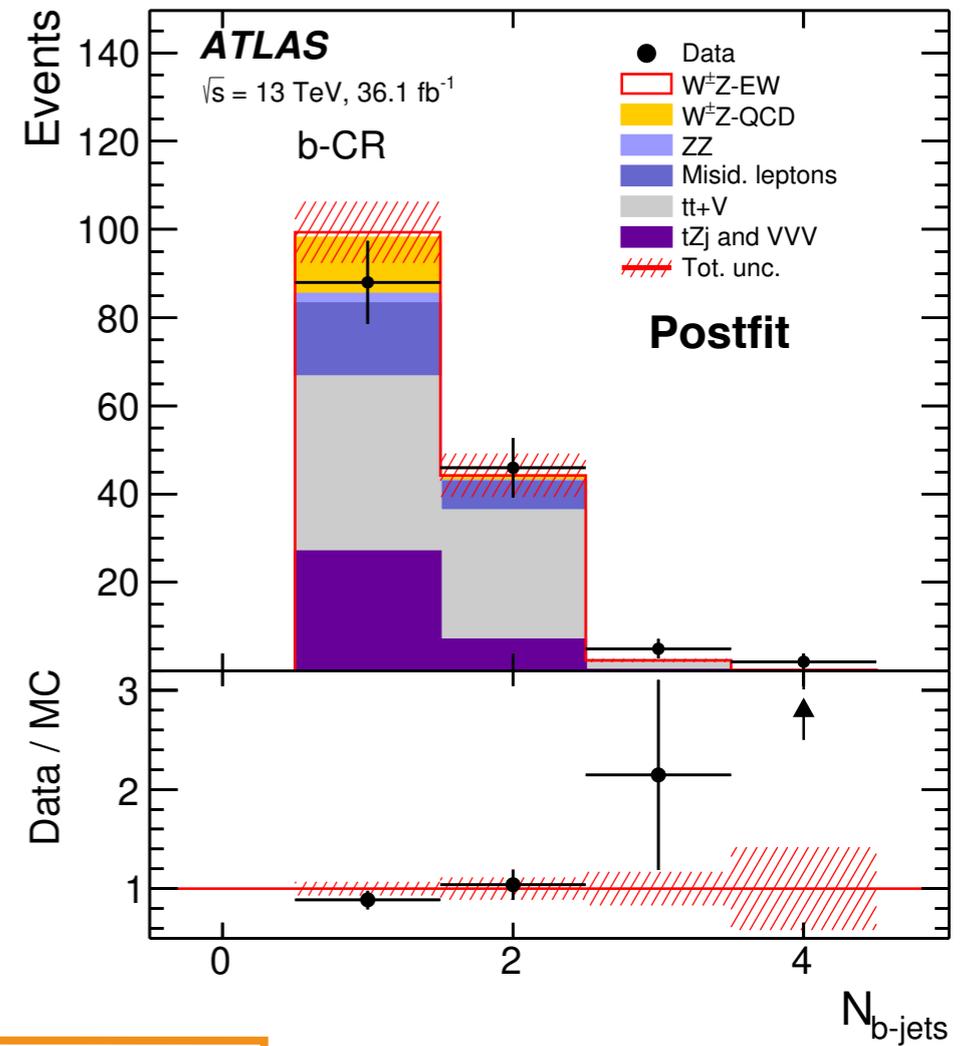
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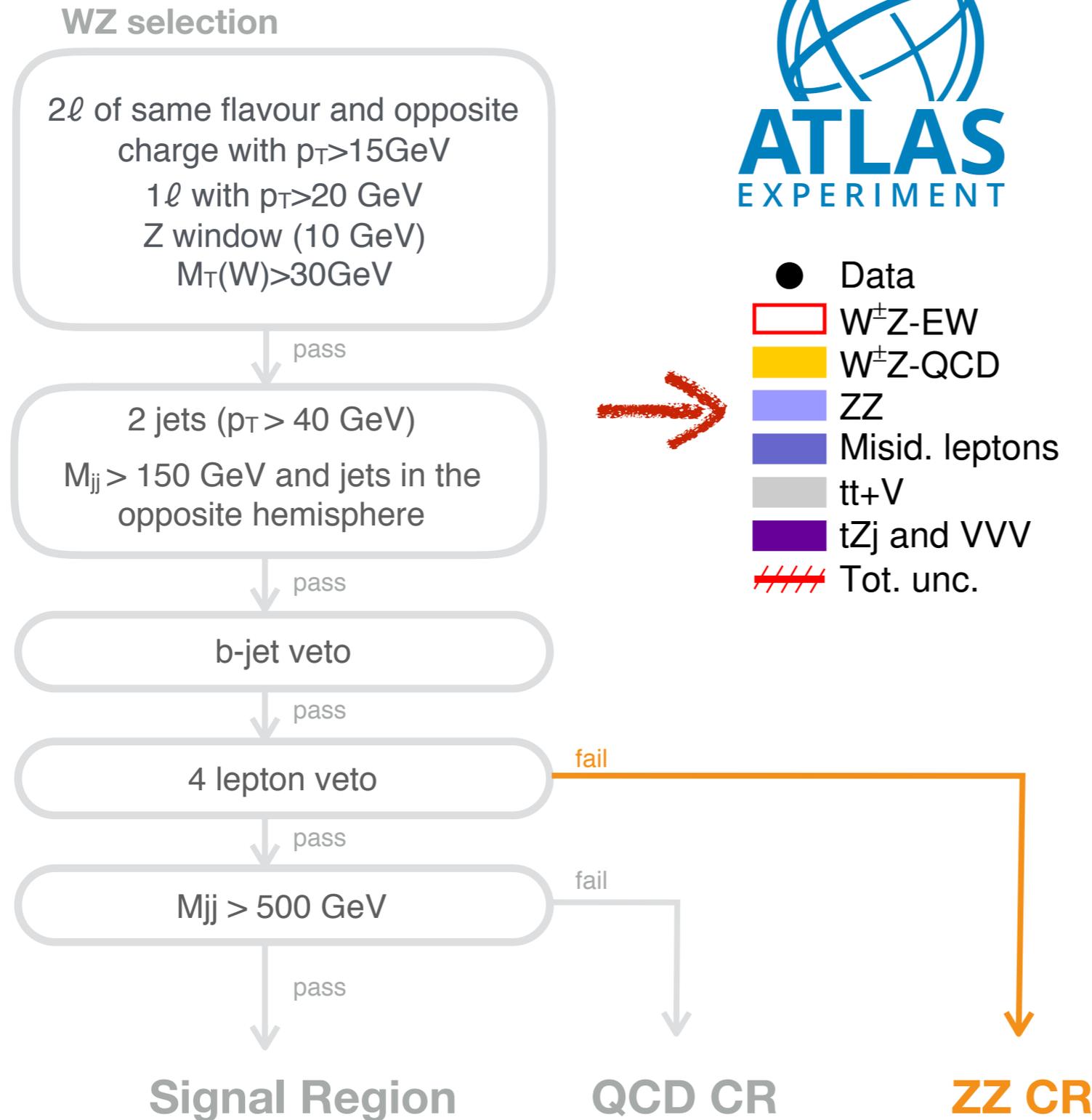
Control regions definition



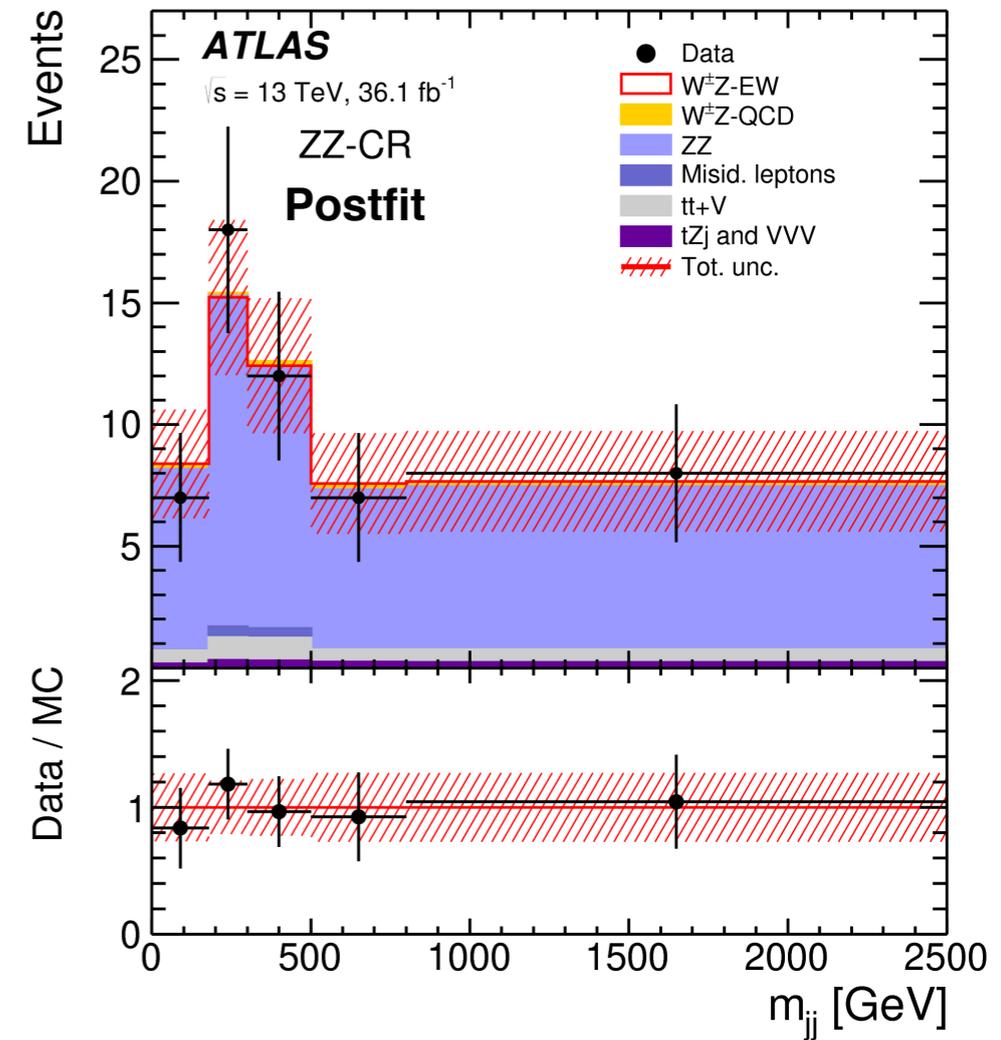
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- ZZ
- Misid. leptons
- tt+V
- tZj and VVV
- /// Tot. unc.



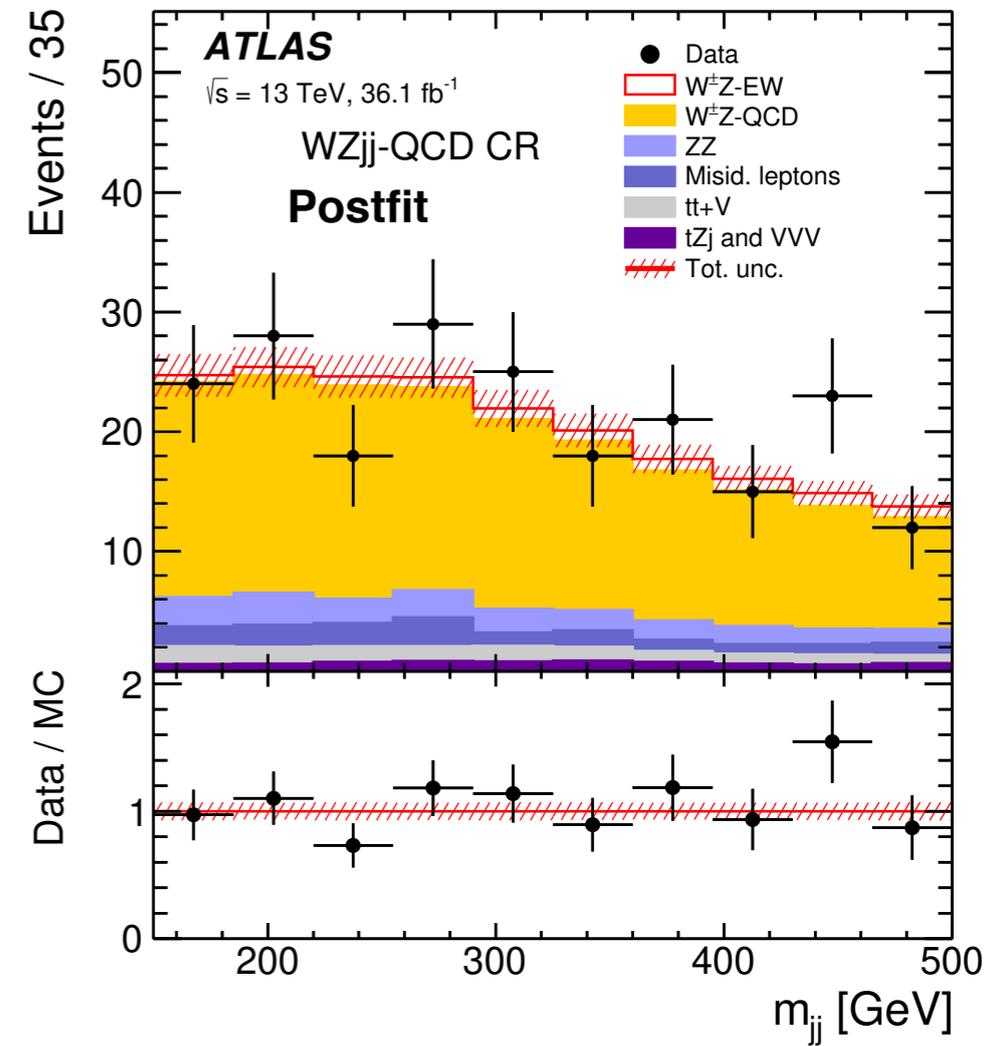
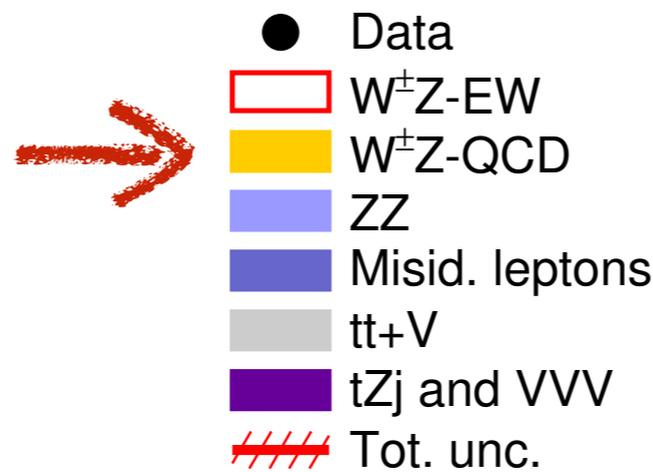
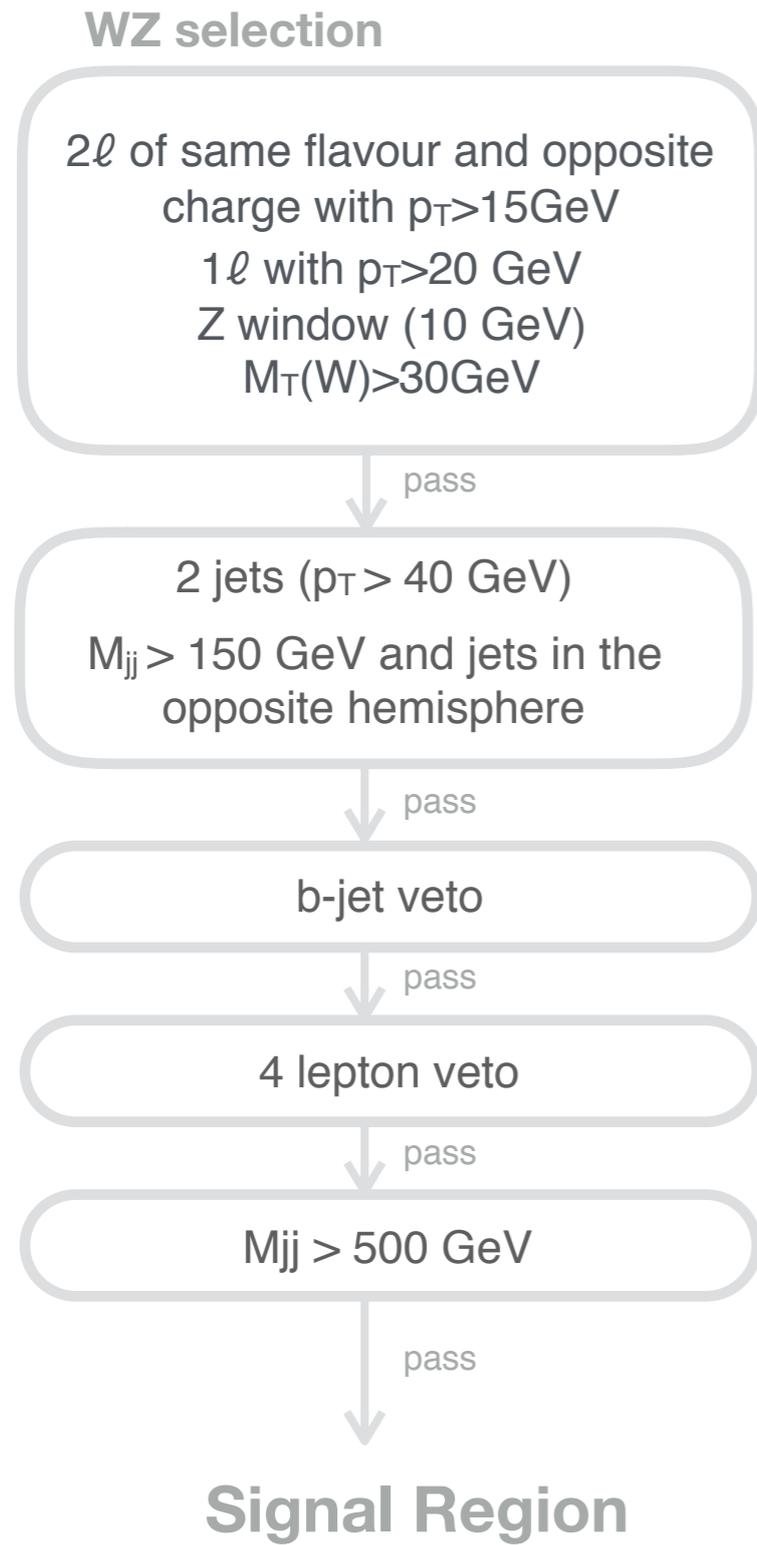
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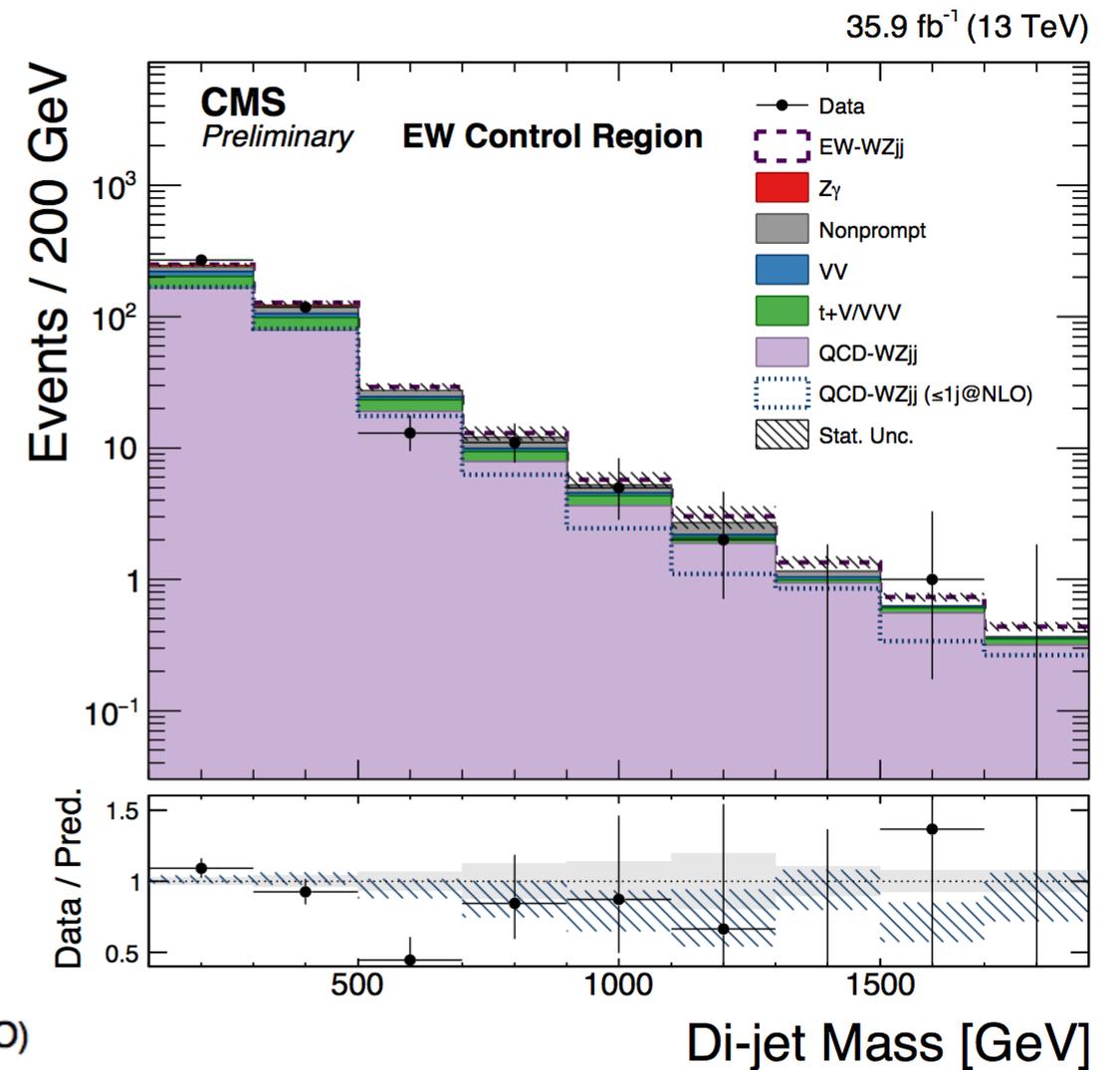
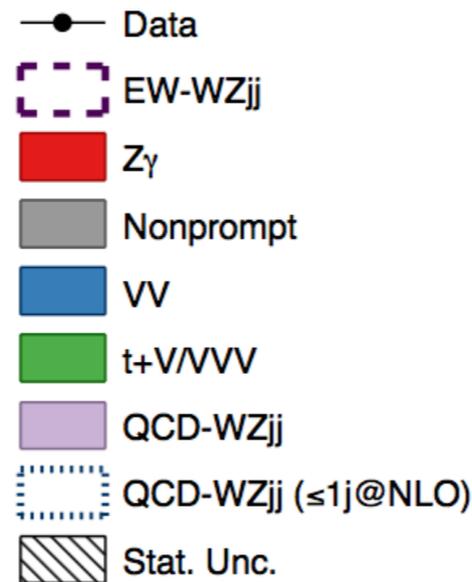
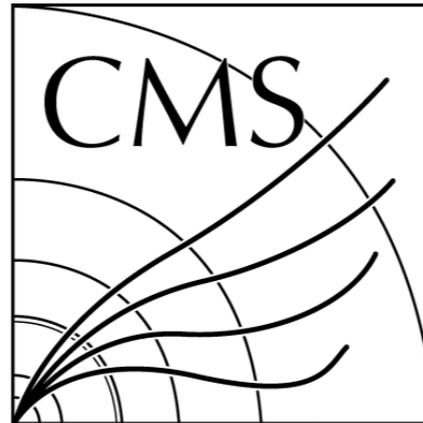
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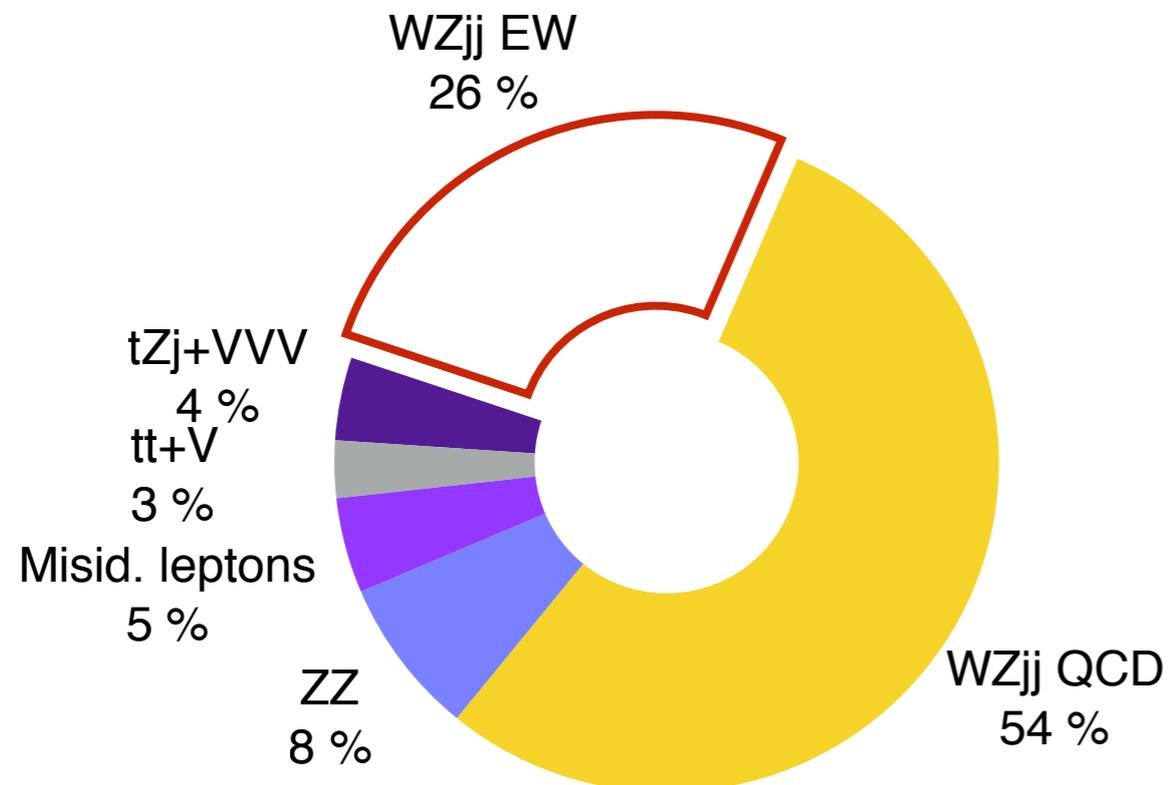
Control regions definition



- Using this QCD CR definition allows to verify the high M_{jj} mass modeling

$W^\pm Z$ analysis

- Small signal contribution ($\sim 30\%$)
 - ▶ **Multivariate analysis, discriminant variables**
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 - ▶ **Data Control Regions**



Multivariate analysis

Full set of BDT variables

m_{jj} , N_{jets} , $p_{T^{j1}}$, $p_{T^{j2}}$, η^{j1} , $\Delta\eta_{jj}$, $\Delta\phi_{jj}$
 $|y_{l,w} - y_z|$, p_{T^W} , p_{T^Z} , η^W , $m_{T^{WZ}}$
 $\Delta R(j1, Z)$, $R_{p_T^{\text{hard}}}$, ζ_{lep}

- Boosted Decision Tree used in signal region to distinguish between WZjj-EW and backgrounds
- 15 variables that have a characteristic signature.

► In order of importance:

1. $|y_z - y_{\ell,w}|$
2. ζ_{lep}
3. $R_{p_T^{\text{har}}}$
4. Jets multiplicity ($p_T > 25$ GeV)
5. $\Delta\phi_{jj}$

- Trained on simulation events, to separate WZjj-EW from backgrounds

- Description of BDT score controlled in QCD-CR

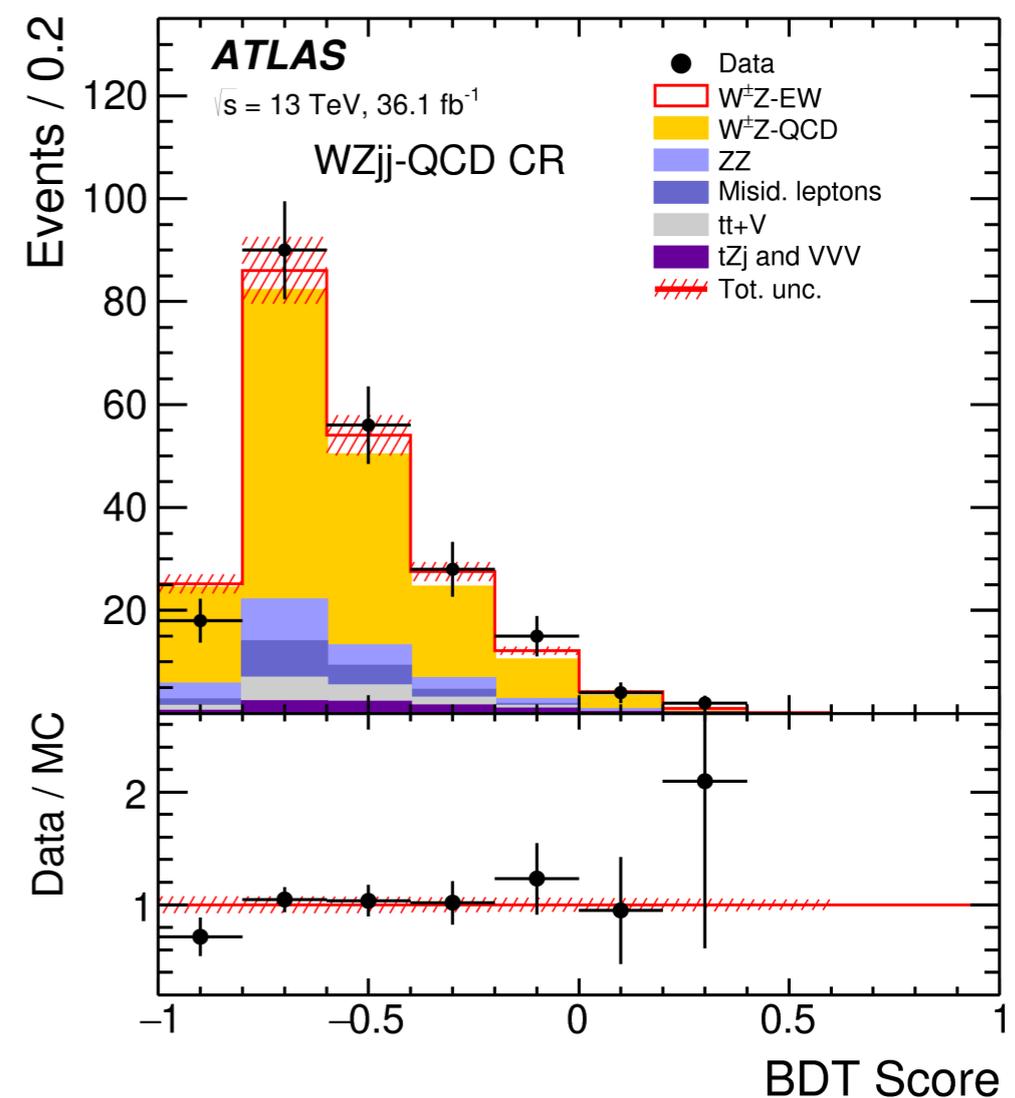
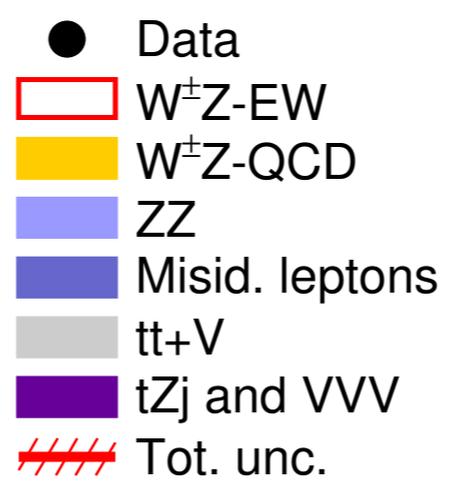
► good agreement observed with data

$$\zeta_{\text{lep}} = \min(\Delta\eta_-, \Delta\eta_+)$$

$$\Delta\eta_- = \min(\eta_l^W, \eta_{l1}^Z, \eta_{l2}^Z) - \min(\eta_{j1}, \eta_{j2})$$

$$\Delta\eta_+ = \max(\eta_{j1}, \eta_{j2}) - \max(\eta_l^W, \eta_{l1}^Z, \eta_{l2}^Z)$$

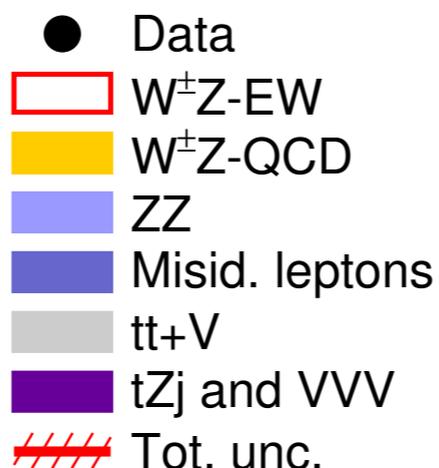
$$R_{p_T^{\text{hard}}} = \frac{(\sum_{l,j} p_T)}{\sum_{l,j} p_T}$$



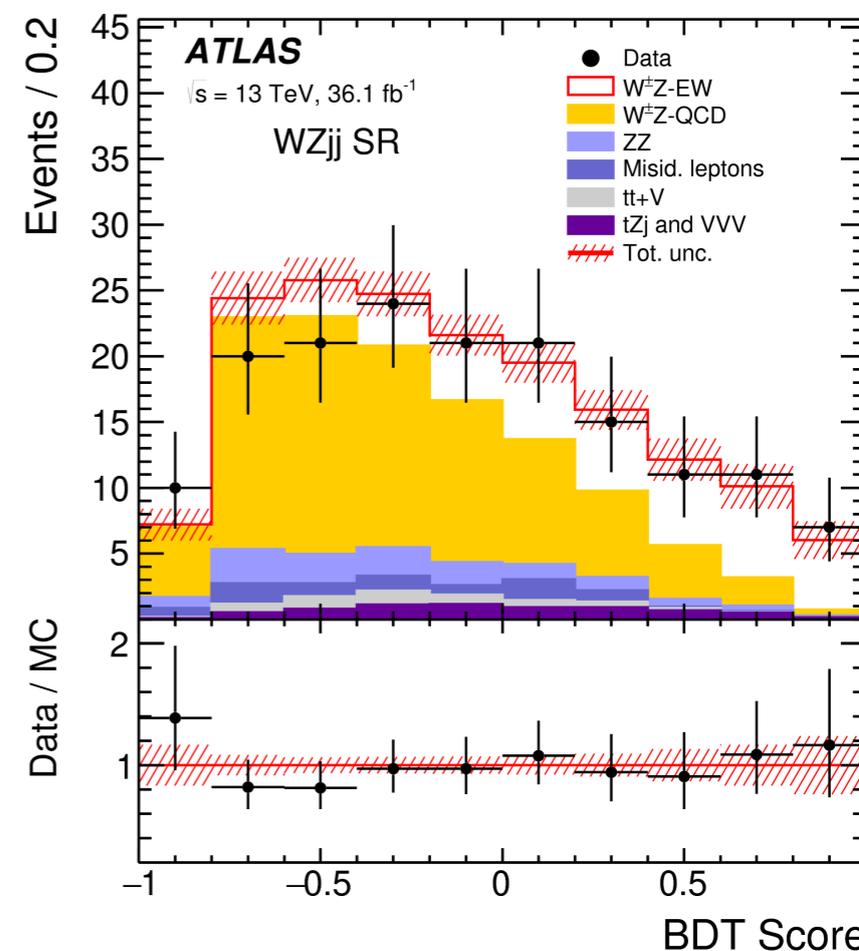
Signal extraction

- Simultaneous template fit of BDT score in signal region and 3 different control regions

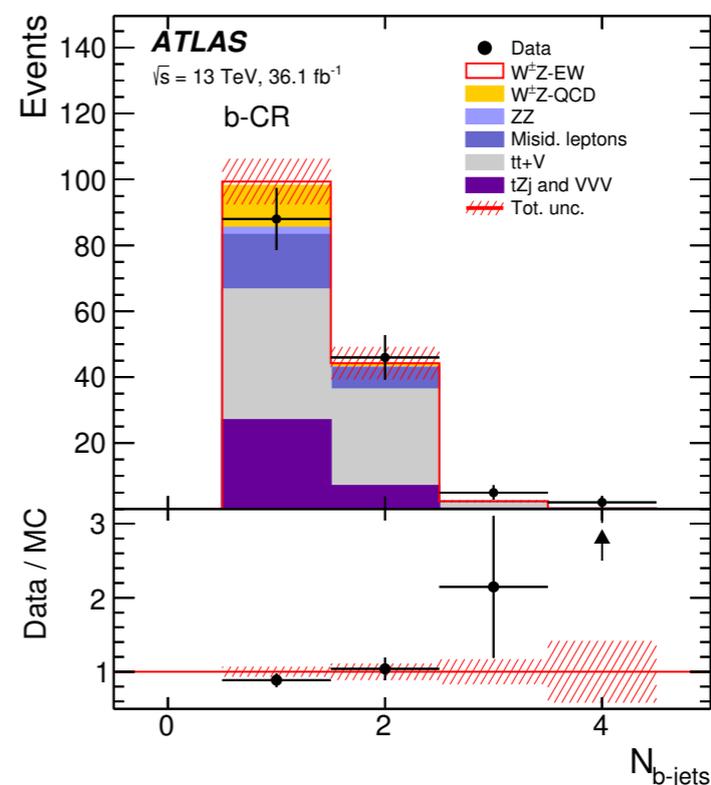
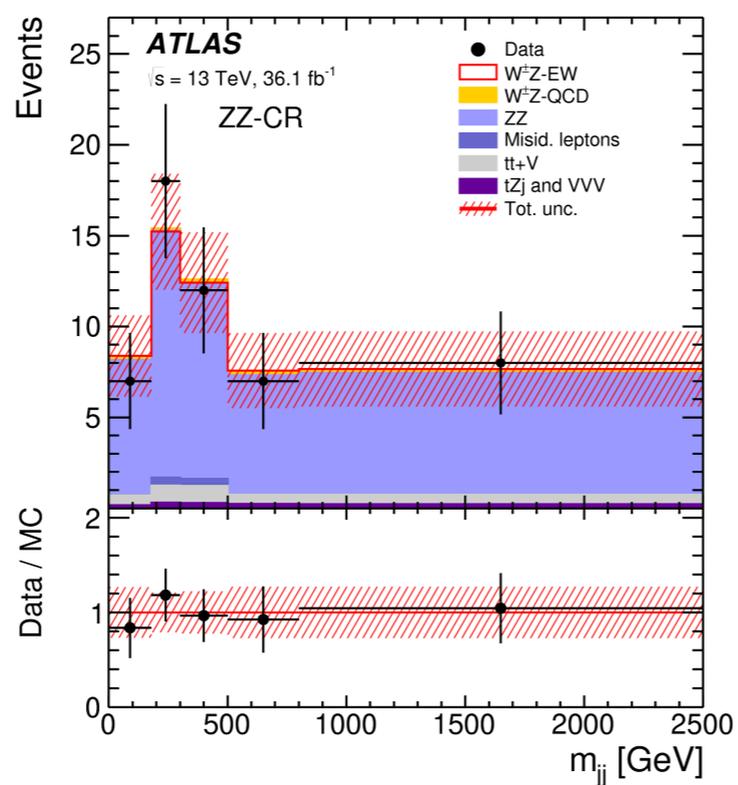
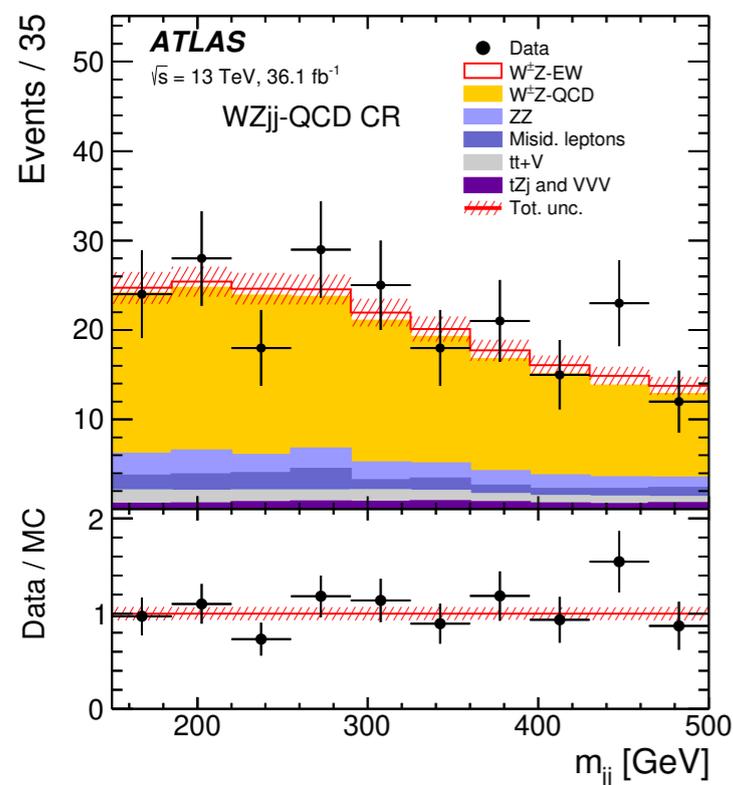
- ▶ Signal and background normalization extracted from data
- ▶ Shape fit → Consider uncertainties affecting shape and normalization

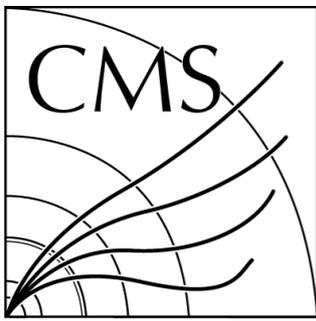


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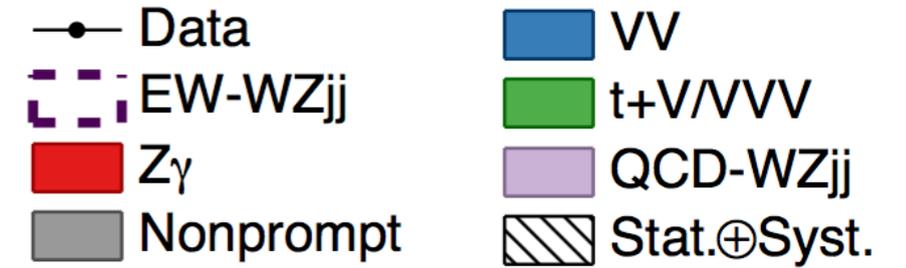


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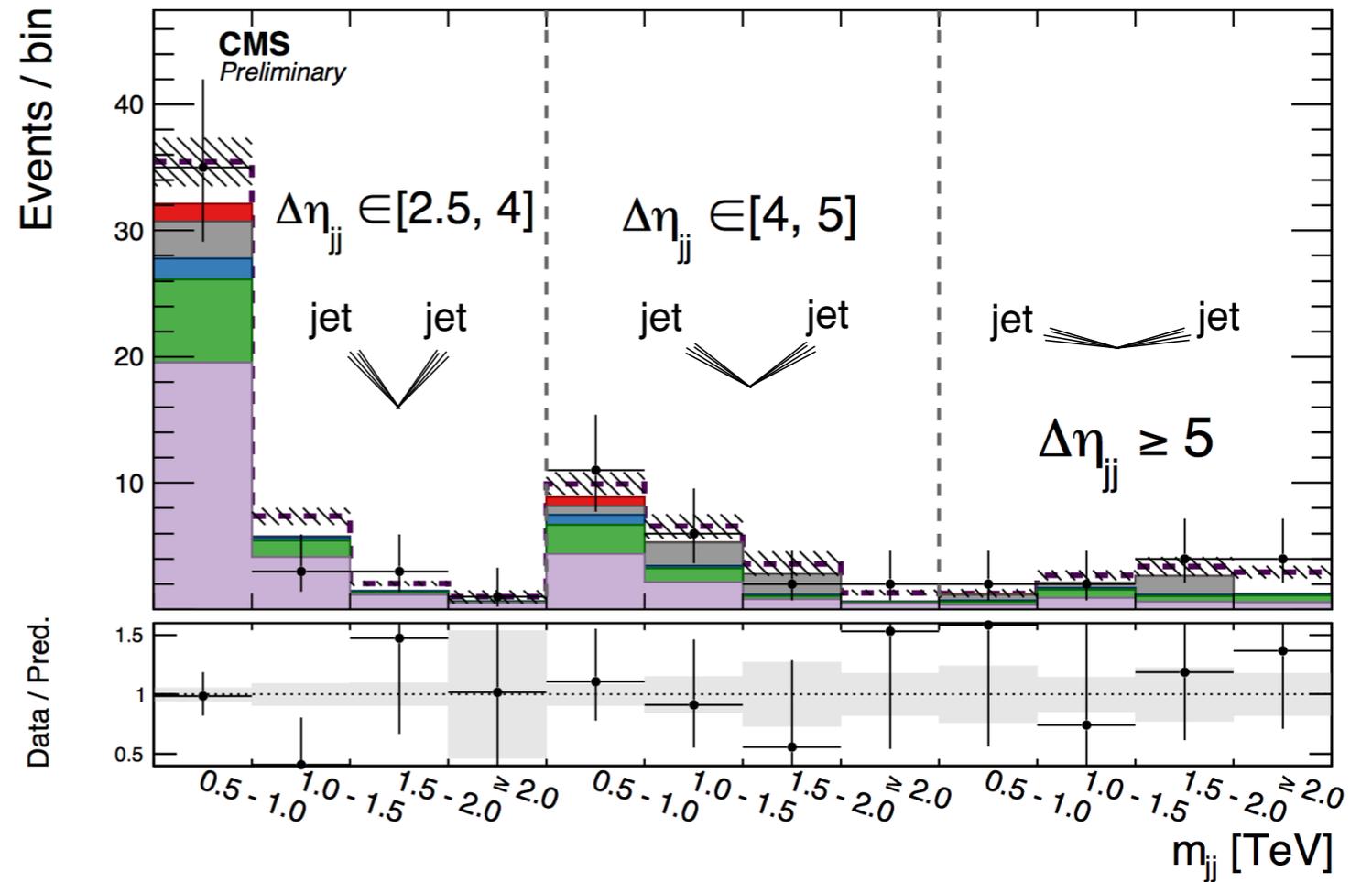


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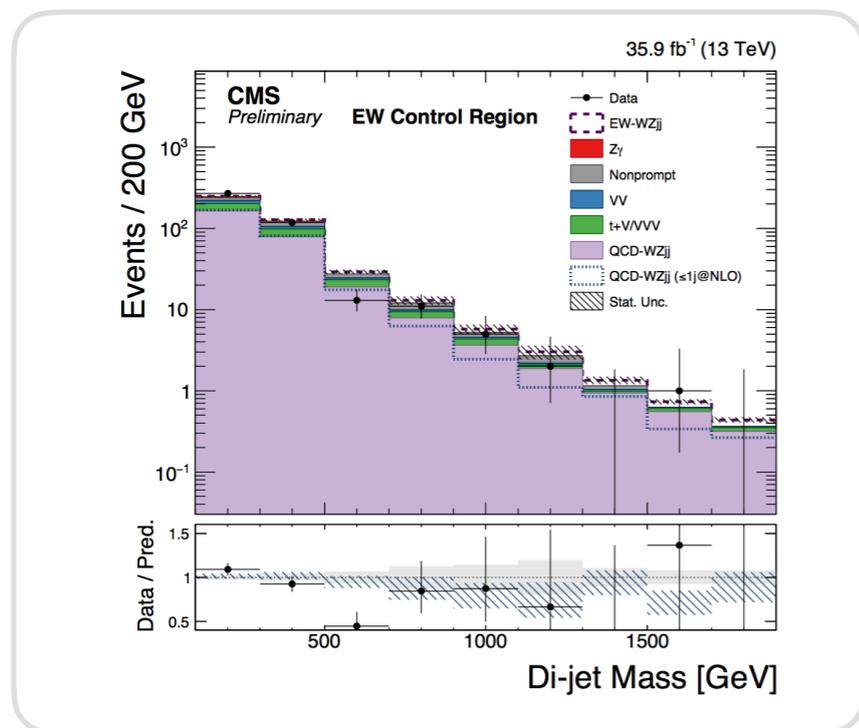


- Simultaneous template fit M_{jj} and $\Delta\eta_{jj}$
 - ▶ separate by lepton flavors
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2D Signal region



QCD Control region



Systematics uncertainties

**Jet reconstruction
and calibration**

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|---|-----------------|
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Systematics uncertainties

Theory uncertainties*

- QCD scale: vary renormalisation and factorization scale by 0.5 and 2
 - 20% to 30% effect in QCD,
 - 5% for EW
- PDF and α_s : standard PDF4LHC description:
 - Small effect (1-2%)
- **Signal modeling** (including parton shower)
 - shape difference between generators (Up to 14% effect)
- **WZ QCD background modeling**
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* EW corrections to VBS WZ (~-19%) were not available by the time of the publication and are not included

Systematics uncertainties

QCD/EWK Interference

- Part of the measured signal
- Included as shape uncertainty on signal
- Size of interference: +10% of EW WZjj

Other backgrounds

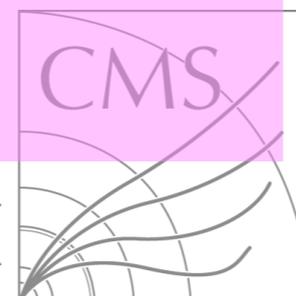
Normalization uncertainties applied on non-dominant background

- Large uncertainty in Misid. Leptons background (~40%)

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WZjj-EWK: Fiducial Cross-Section



First observation of WZjj EWK process!
 Observed (Expected with Sherpa) Significance is **5.3σ** (3.2σ)

- Measured **WZjj-EWK** fiducial cross section

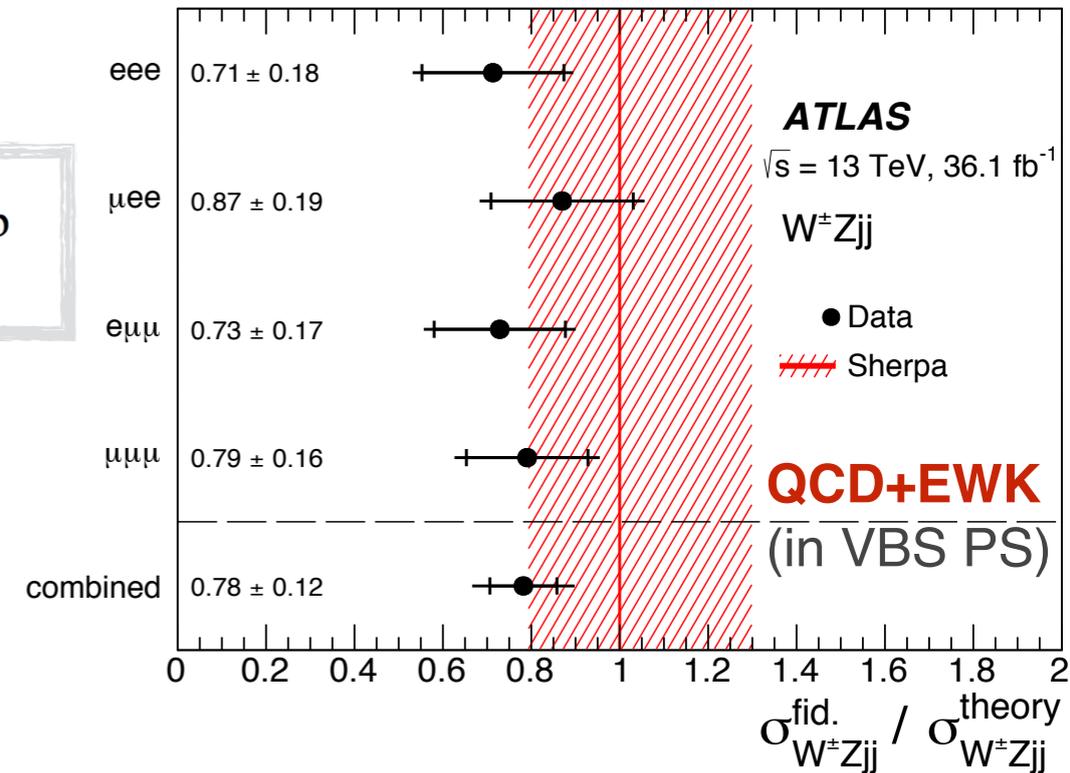
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LO Sherpa cross-section (No EW/QCD interference)

$$\sigma_{WZjj-EW}^{\text{fid., Sherpa}} = 0.321 \pm 0.002 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 0.005 \text{ (PDF)} ^{+0.027}_{-0.023} \text{ (scale) fb,}$$



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- Measured **WZjj EWK+QCD** fiducial cross section (including b-jets looser PS)

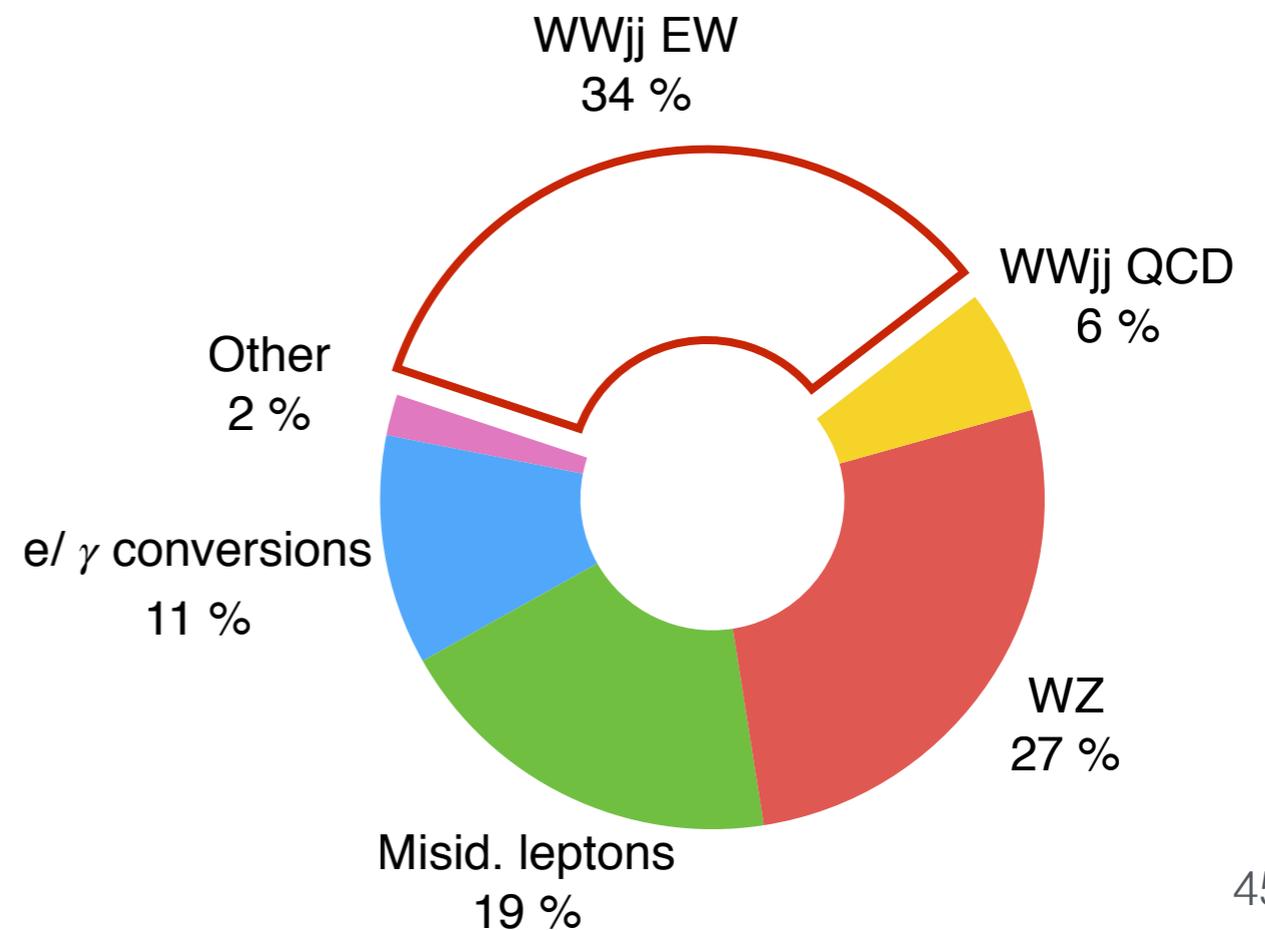
$$\sigma_{WZjj}^{\text{fid.}} = 2.91^{+0.53}_{-0.49} \text{ (stat)} ^{+0.41}_{-0.34} \text{ (syst)} = 2.91^{+0.67}_{-0.60} \text{ fb}$$

MADGRAPH5 AMC@NLO at LO+PYTHIA

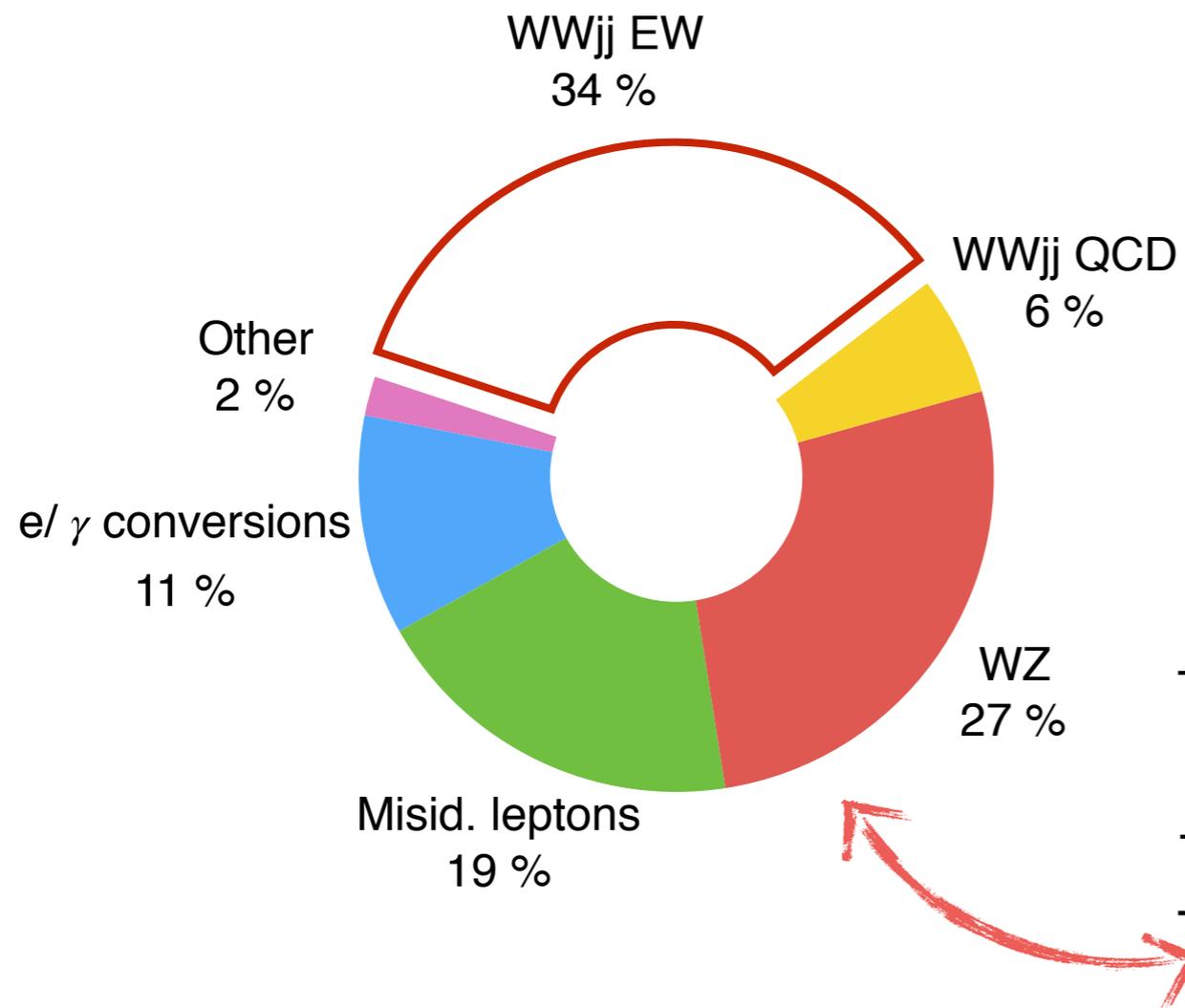
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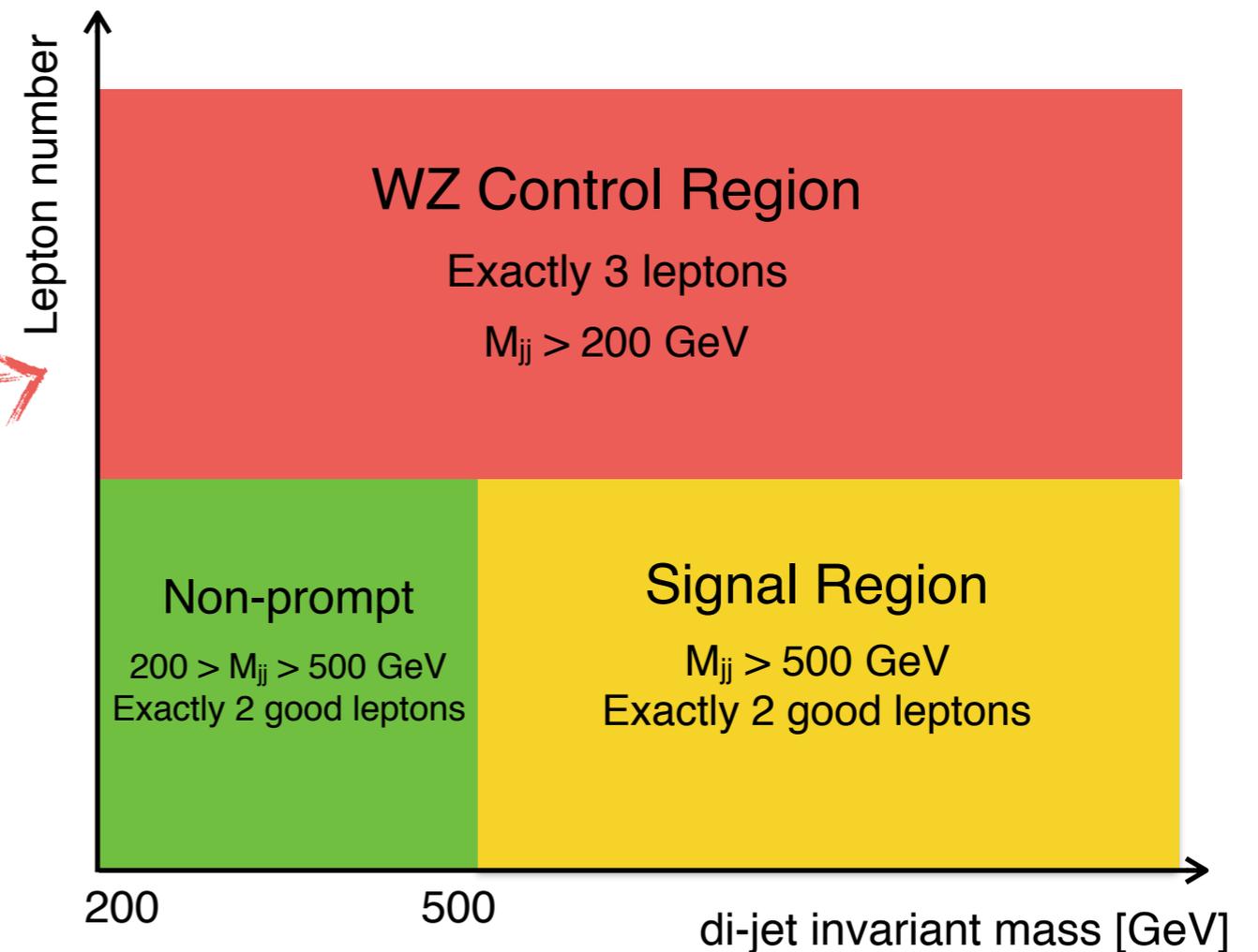


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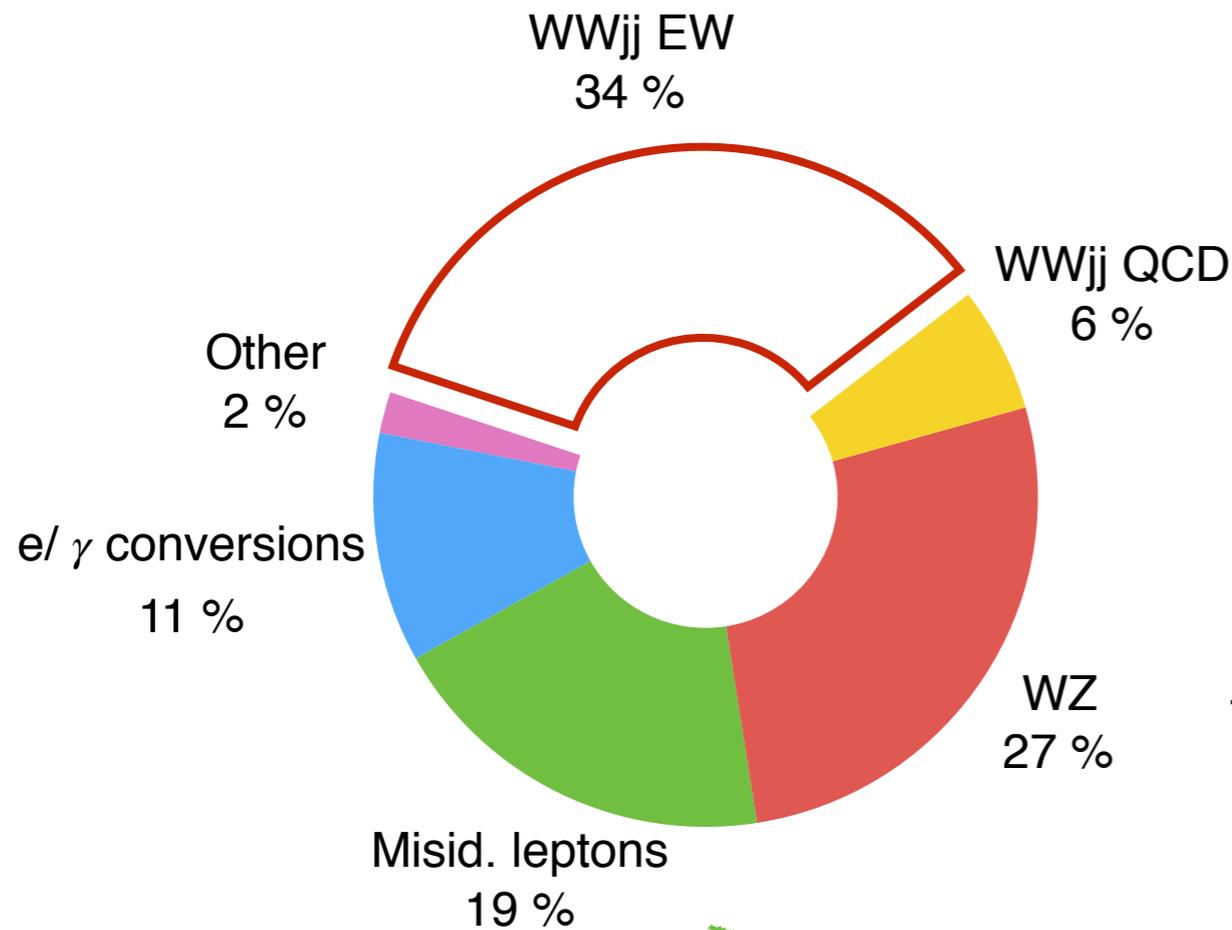


WZ

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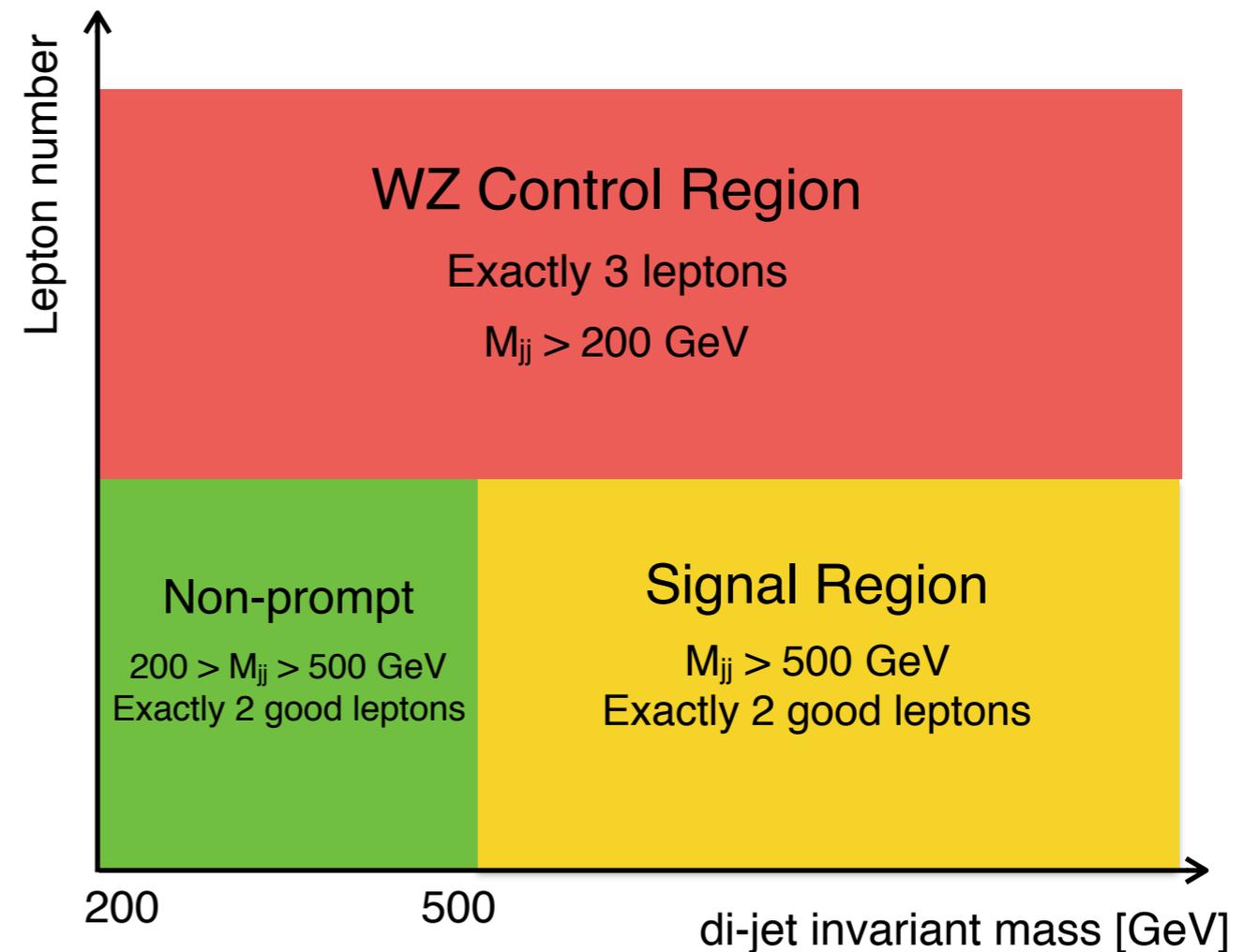


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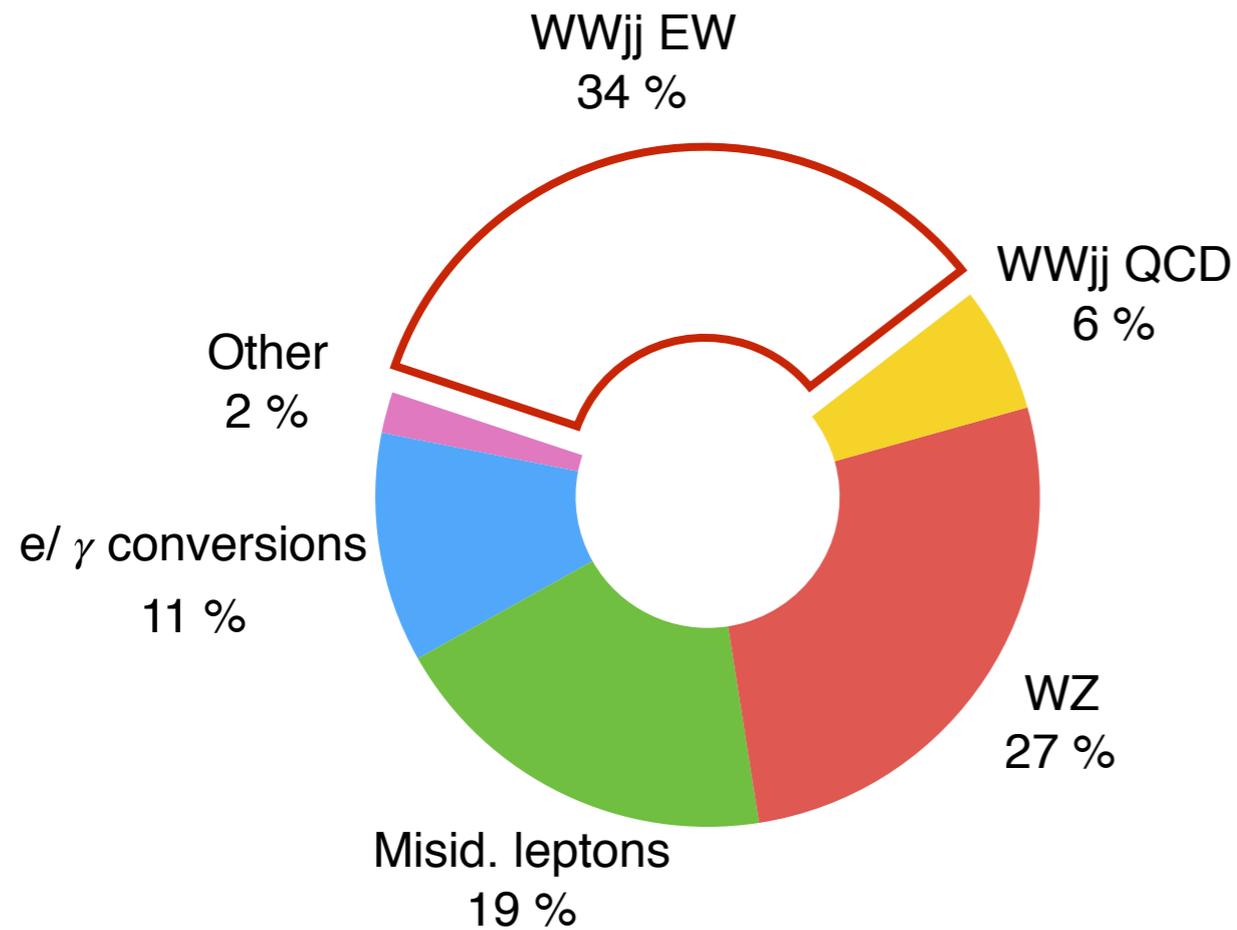
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WZ

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e/γ conversions

- Charge miss-ID rates calculated from simulation and applied to data
 - Uncertainties 10% in forward region, 20% in central region

WWjj QCD, other prompts

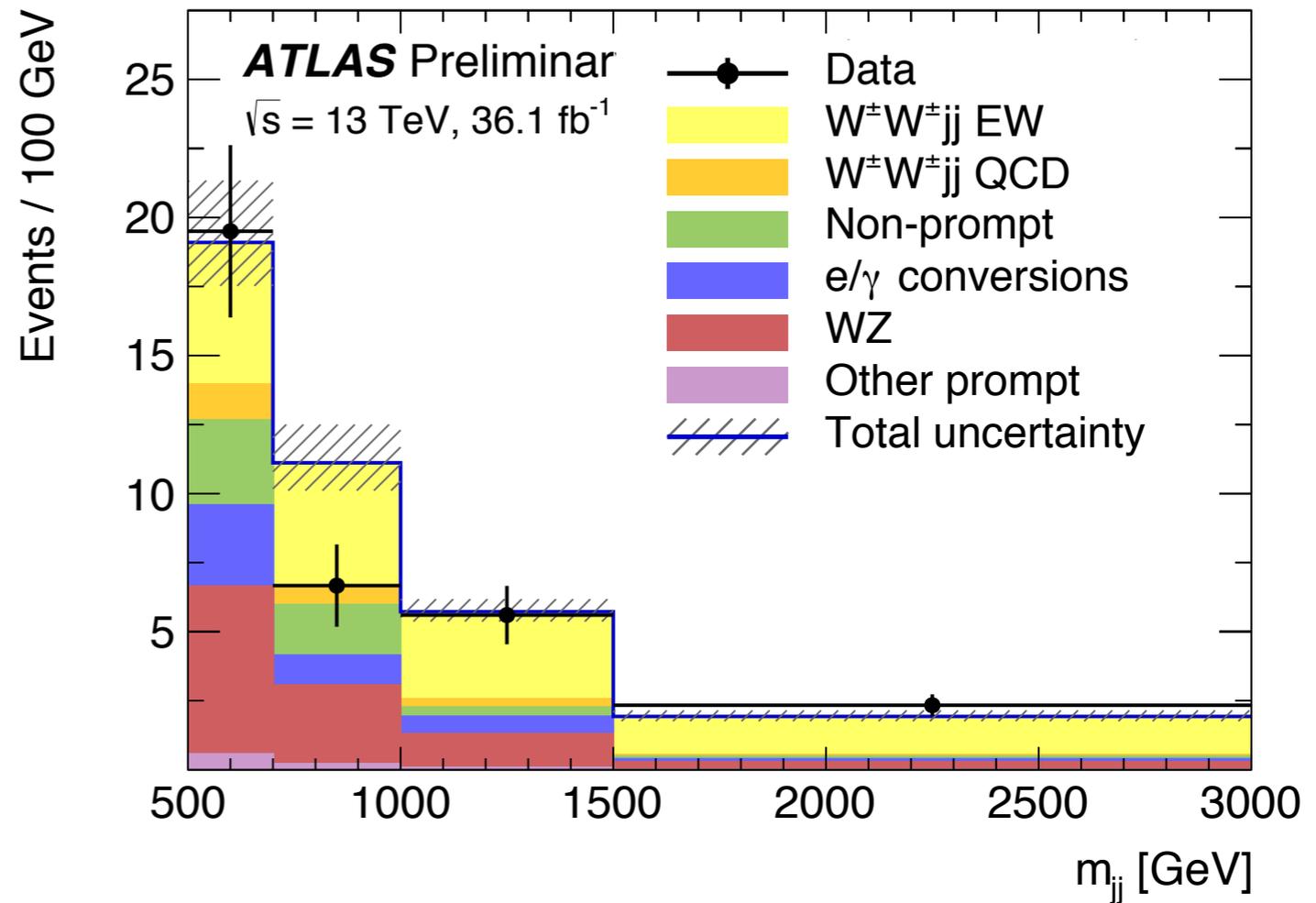
- Taken from simulation
 - Theory uncertainties vary from 20% to 30%

Analysis strategy

Signal extraction: used 6 binned M_{jj} distributions, separated by :

- lepton flavours: ee , $e\mu+\mu e$, $\mu\mu$
- charge: $++$ and $--$

Perform simultaneous template fit in signal region and other observables in different control regions



ATLAS Result [[ATLAS-CONF-2018-030](#)]

Observed (expected with Sherpa)
significance is **6.9 σ** (4.9 σ)

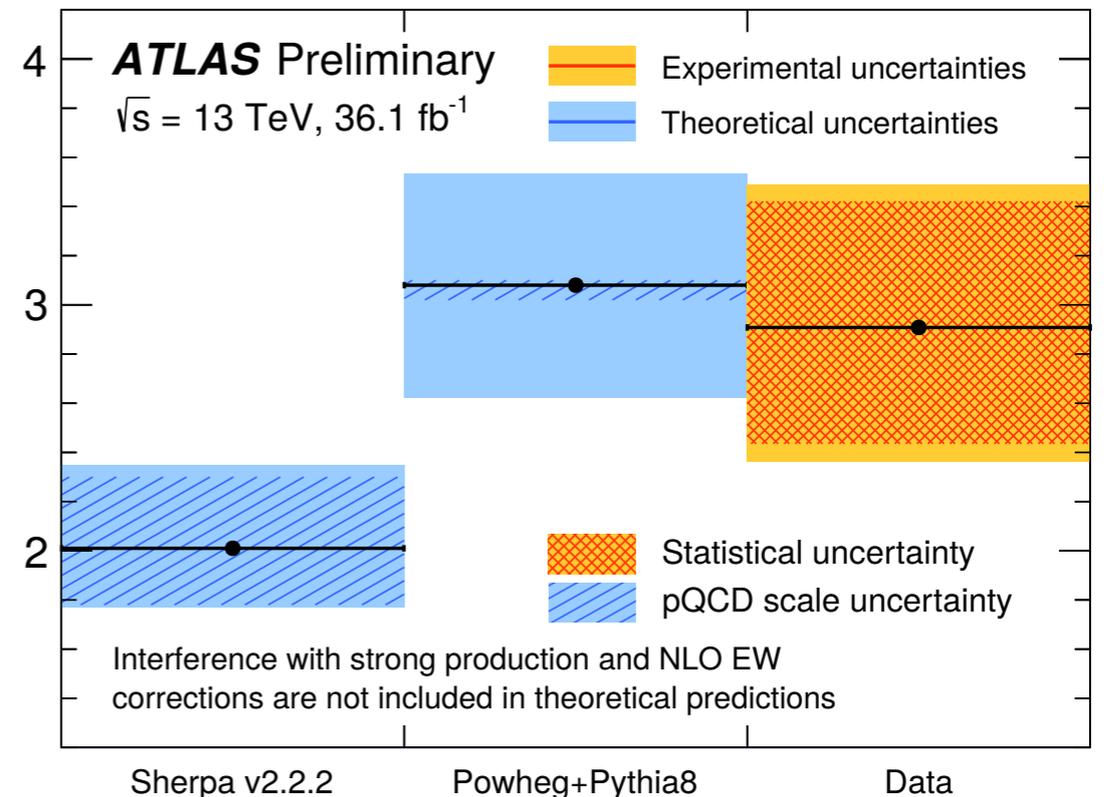


CMS Result [[PRL 120 \(2018\) 081801](#)]

Observed (expected with Madgraph)
significance is **5.5 σ** (5.7 σ)



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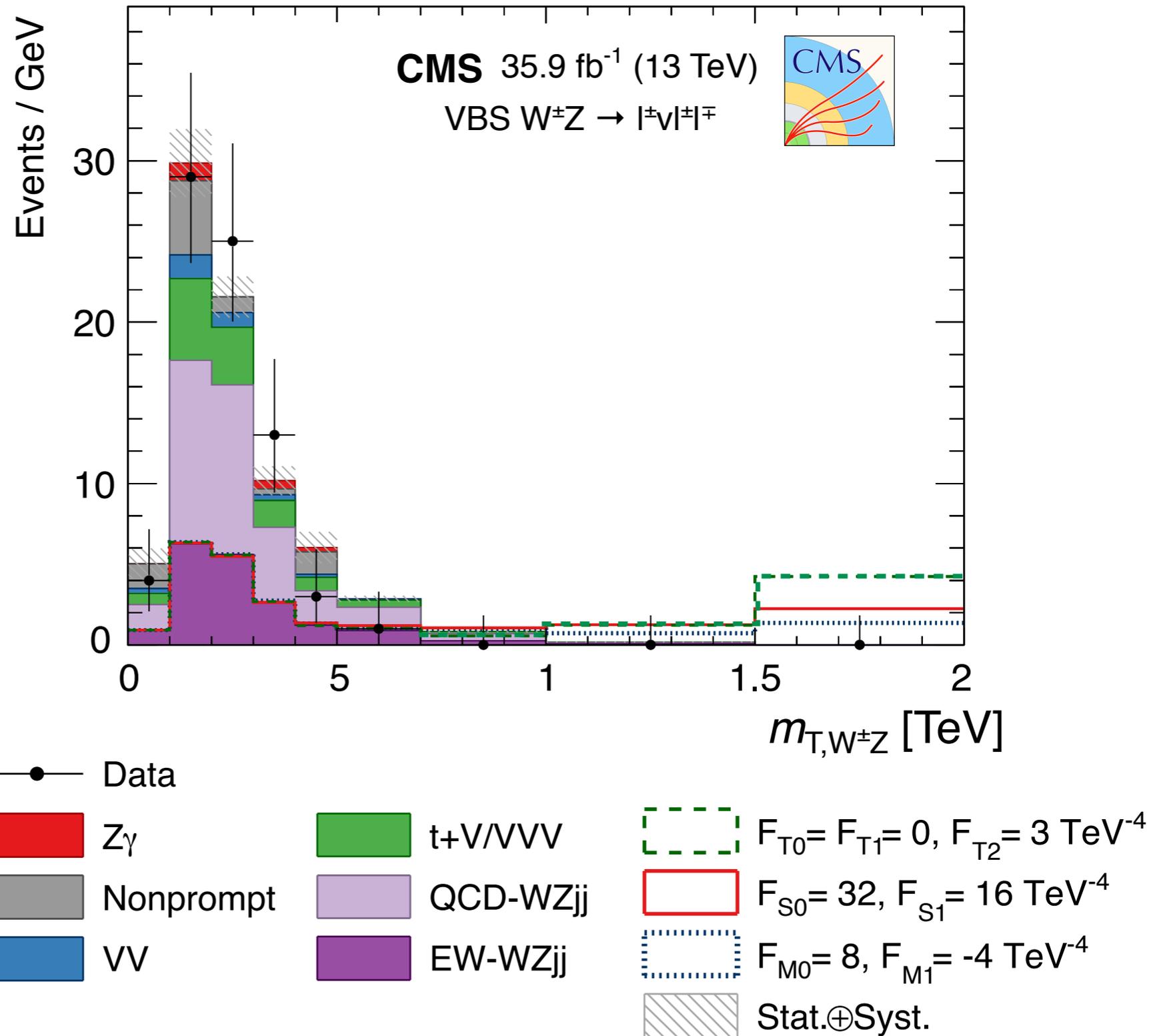


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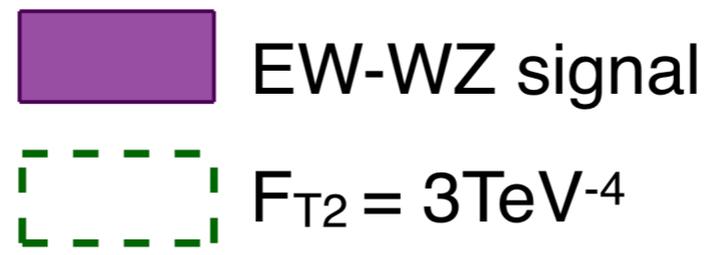
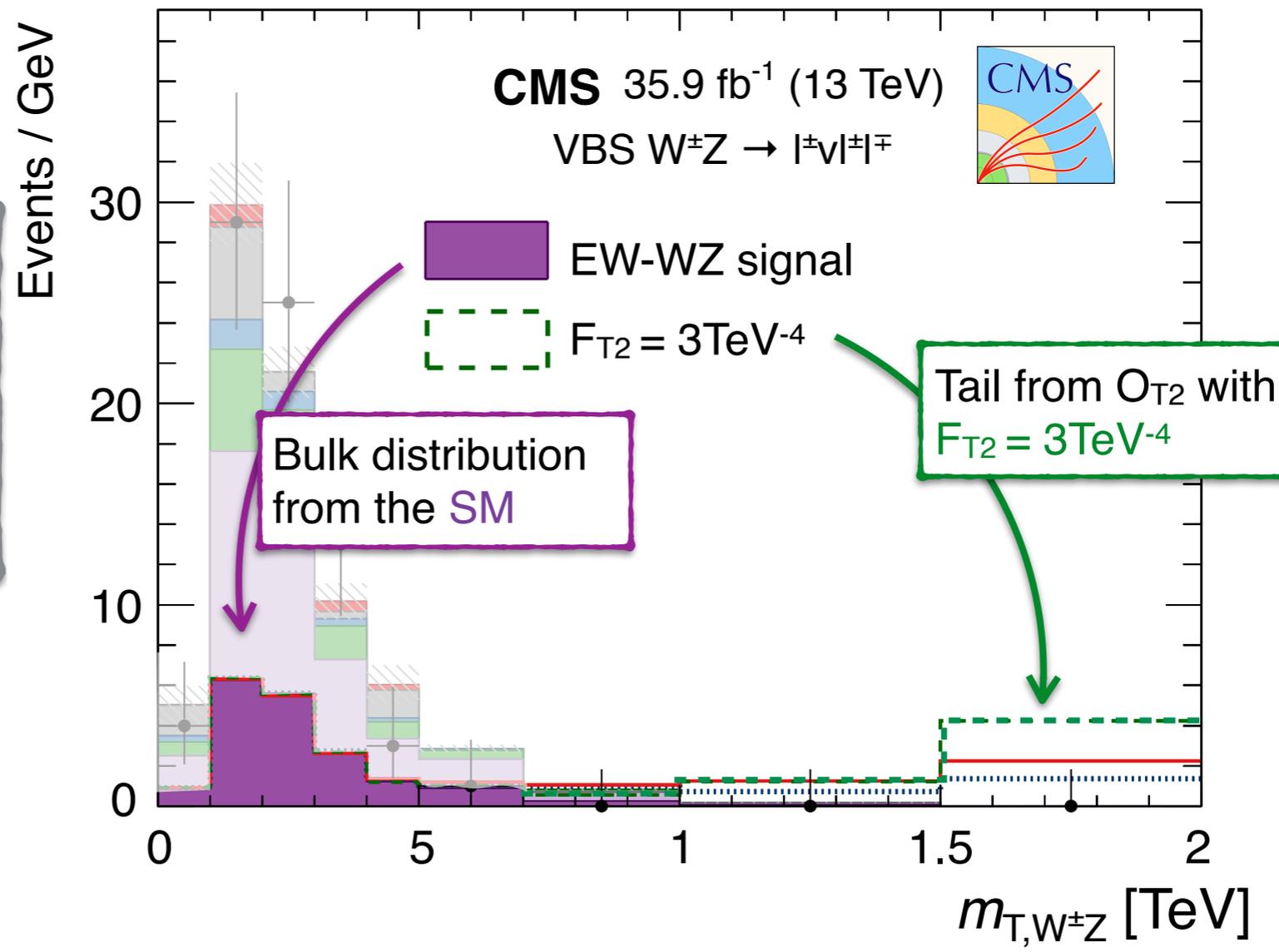
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of SM particles
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$$L_{\text{LEFT}} = L_{\text{SM}} + F_{T2} O_{T2}$$

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Coefficient

- The tails will show discrepancies with the SM and can be used to look for new physics



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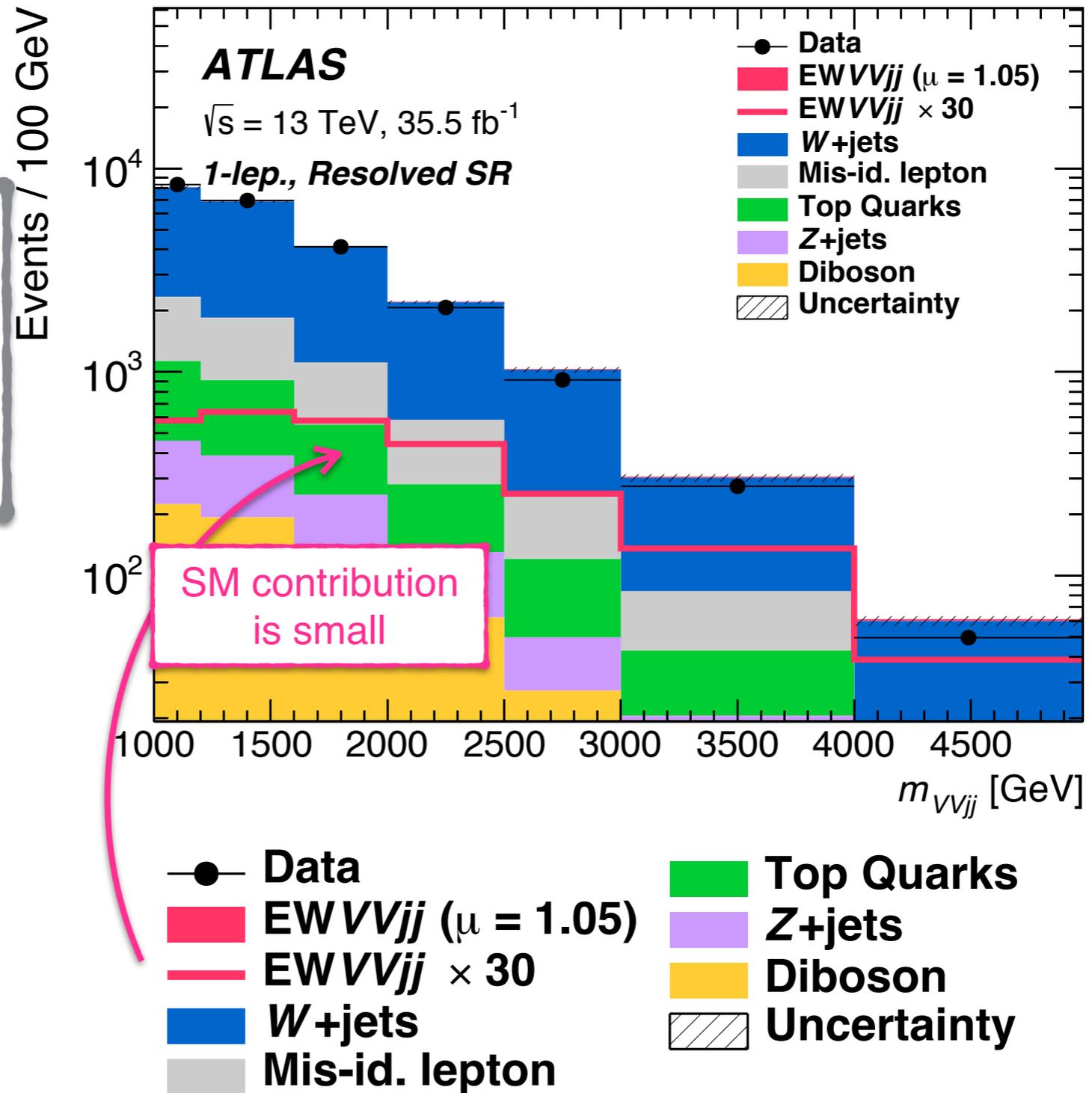
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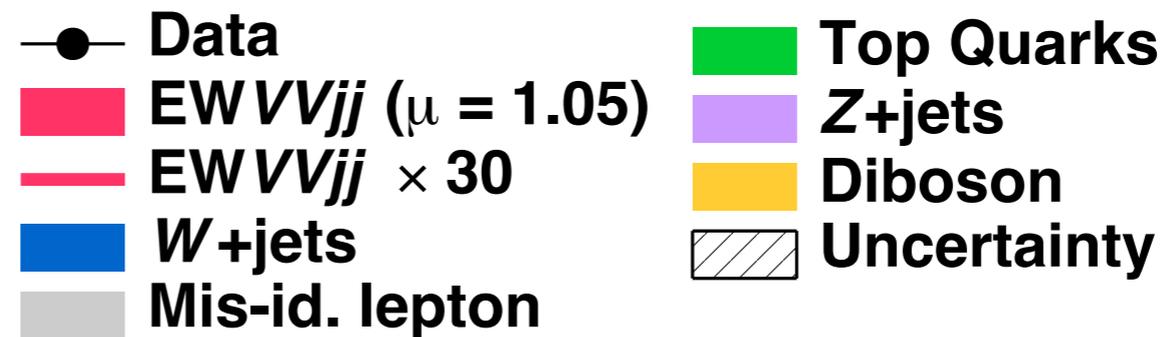
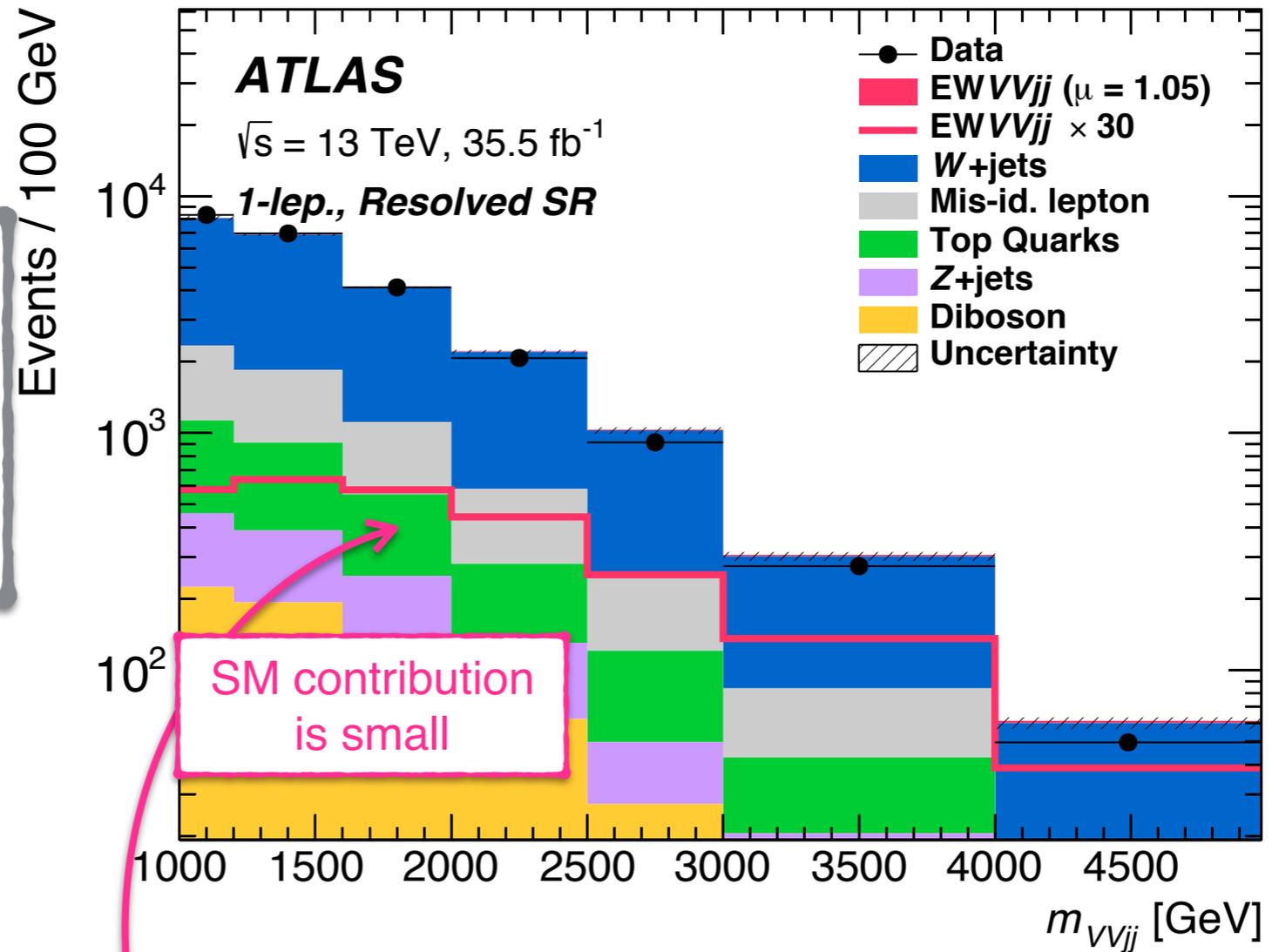
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ATLAS Result [[arXiv:1905.07714](https://arxiv.org/abs/1905.07714)]
Observed (expected) significance is
 2.7σ (2.5σ)

$45.1 \pm 8.6 \text{ (stat)}^{+15.9}_{-14.6} \text{ (syst.) fb}$

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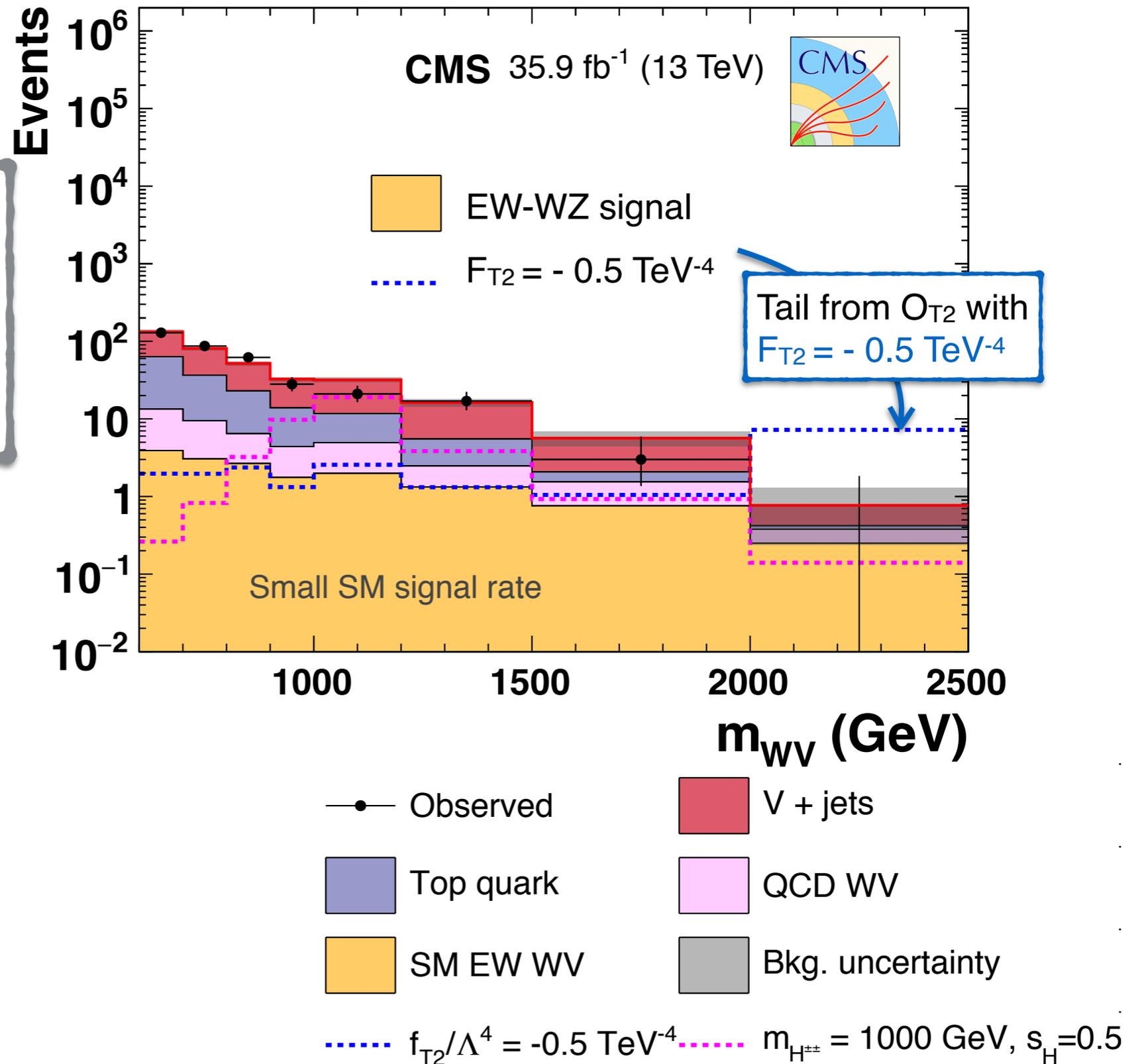
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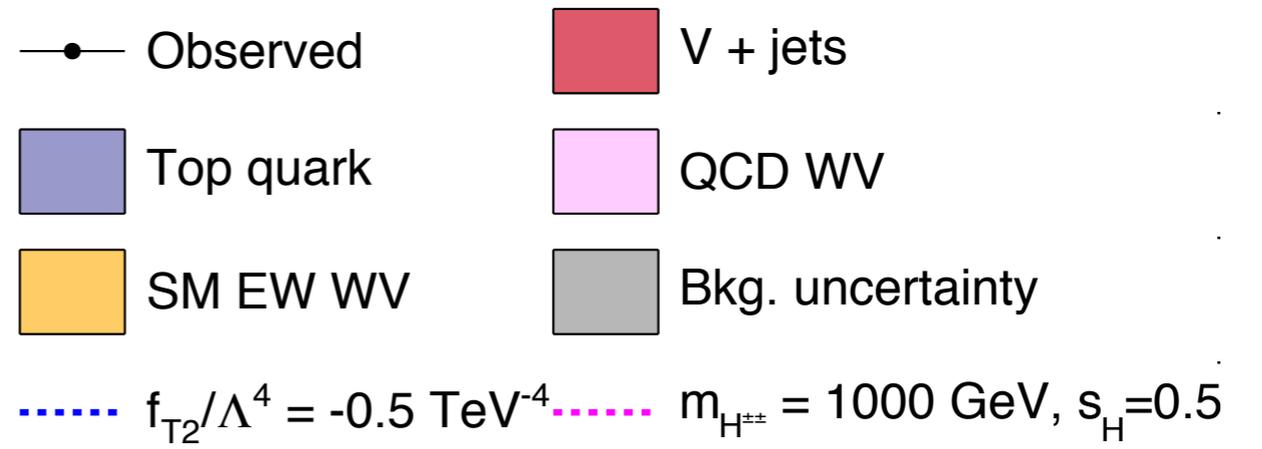
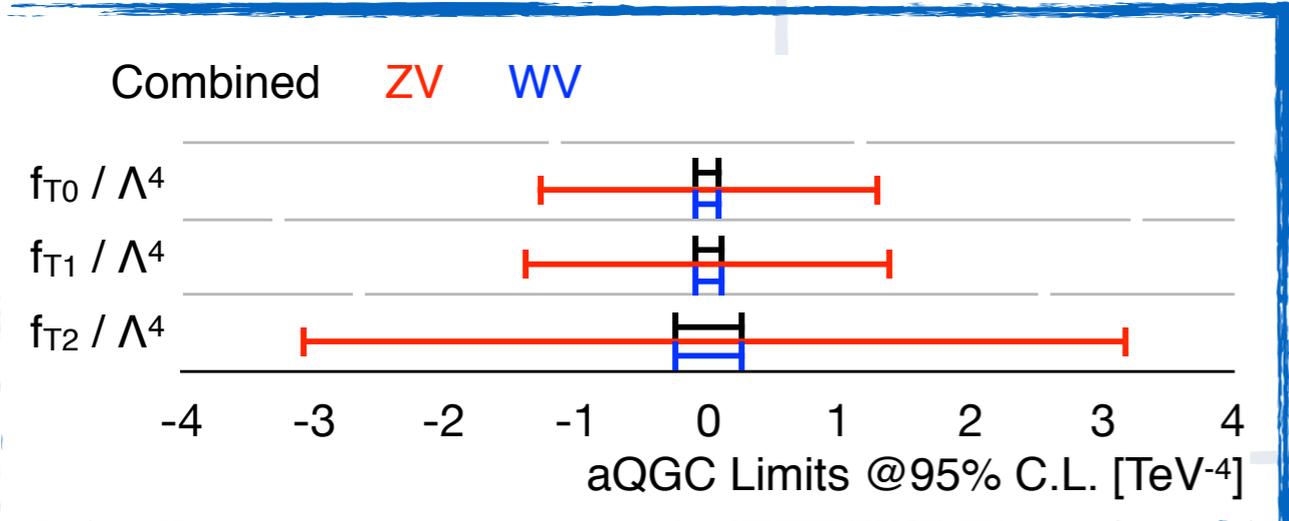
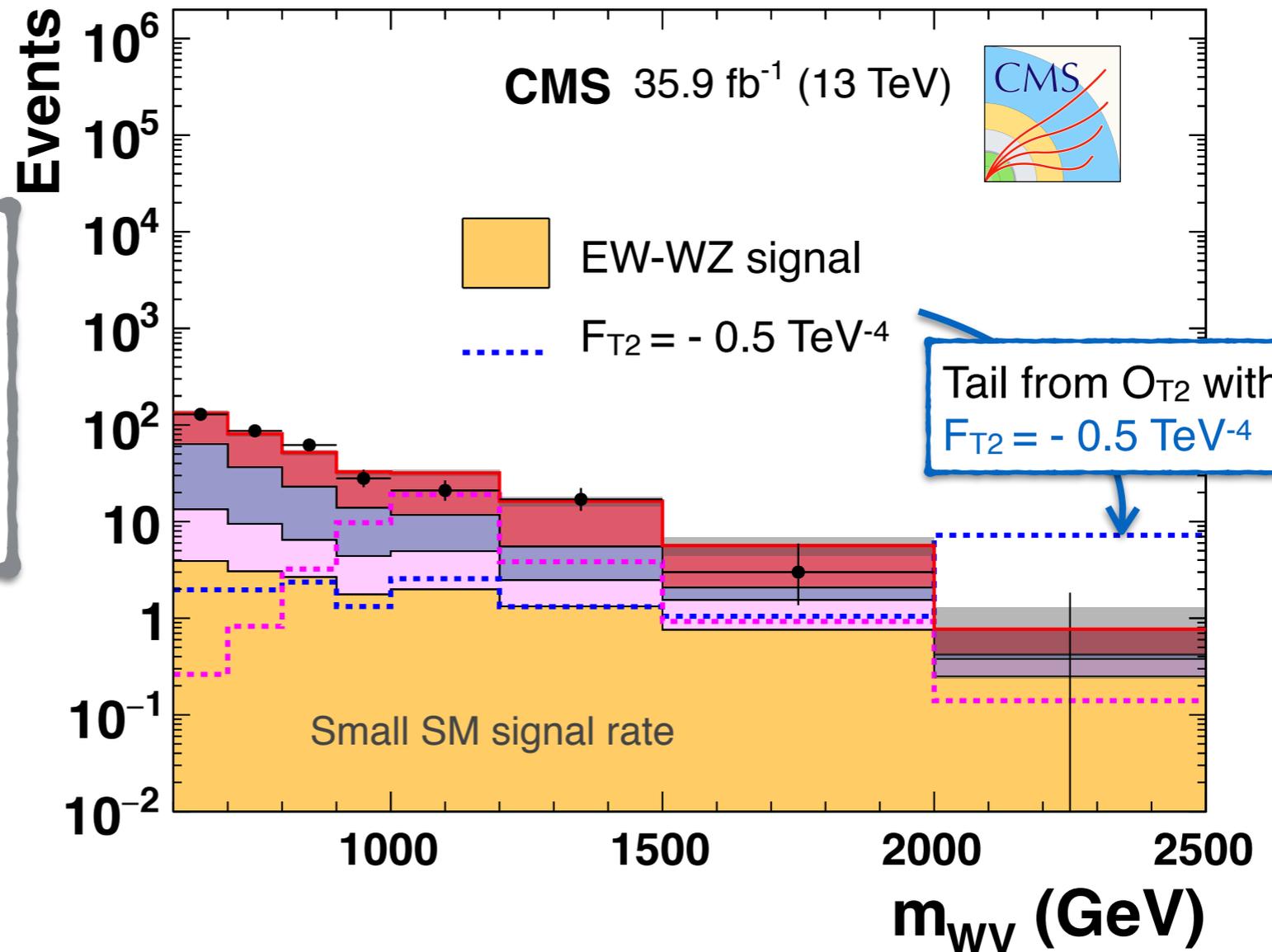
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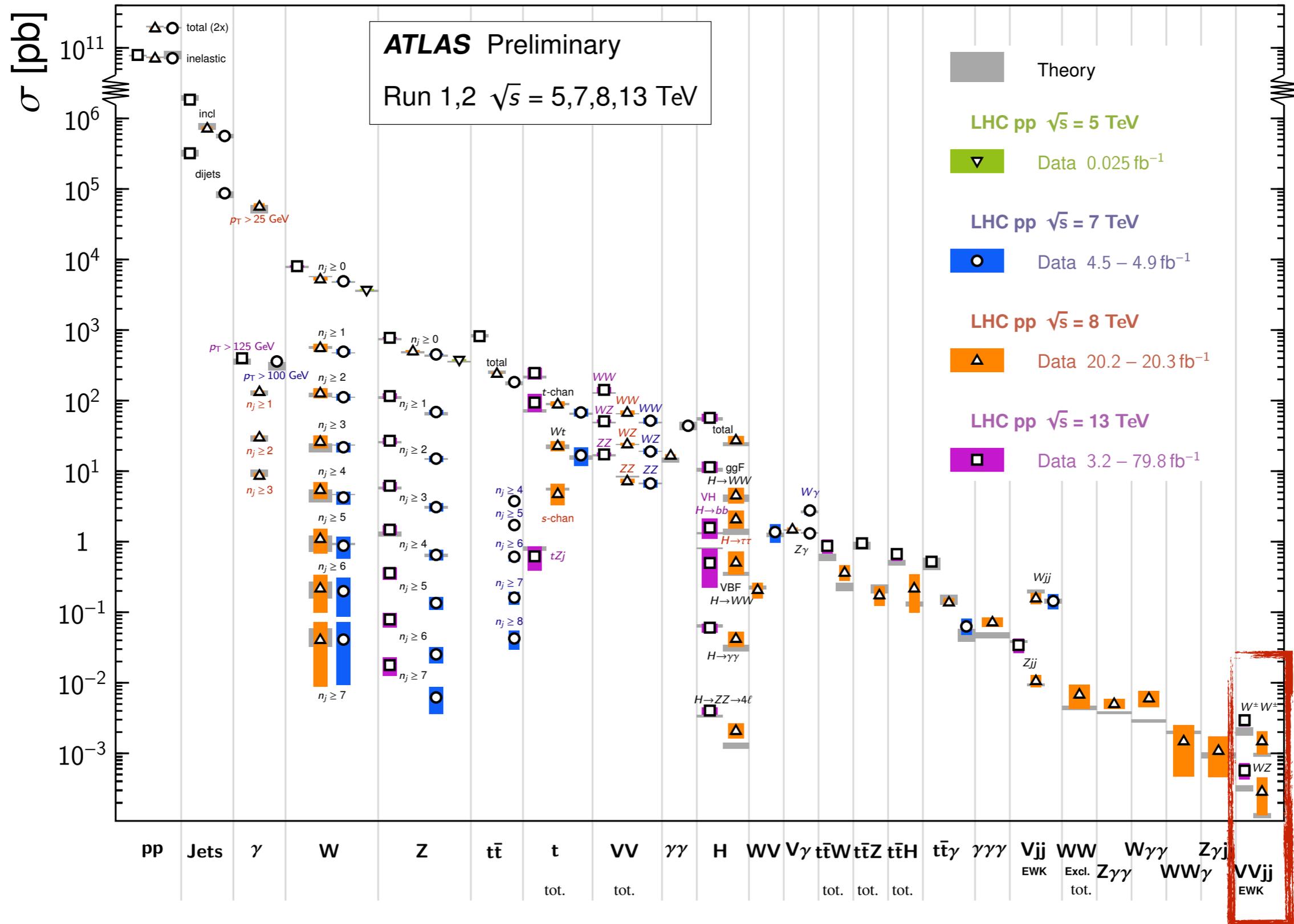
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VBS in Context of full SM

Standard Model Production Cross Section Measurements

Status: March 2019



A new chapter of the SM now accessible !!

- ✓ **Observation the EWK production of vector boson pairs**
 - ✓ WZ and same charge WW with a significances higher than 5σ
 - ✓ Huge efforts to extract a small signal over a big background
 - More channels to come

- ✓ **Measure for the first time a process that include QGC at tree level**
 - Test Electroweak Symmetry breaking and Higgs properties
 - e.g. Longitudinal component $V_L V_L \rightarrow V_L V_L$ no measurement yet (150fb⁻¹, HL-LHC ?)
 - Look for new physics using the EFT approach
 - More data can bring us surprises

- Precise measurements will need :
 - Much more data (Full Run-2, HL-LHC!)
 - Precise theory predictions for signal and background (Shape fits and multivariate analysis heavily rely on MC descriptions)
 - Precise Jets