

# Searches with top quarks in ATLAS

Vector-like quarks and resonances

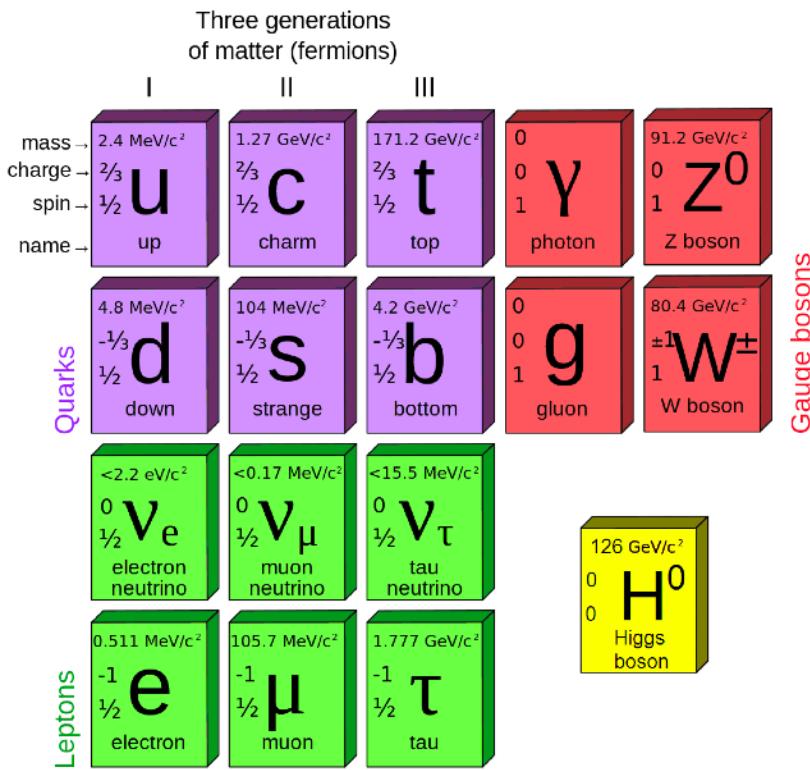
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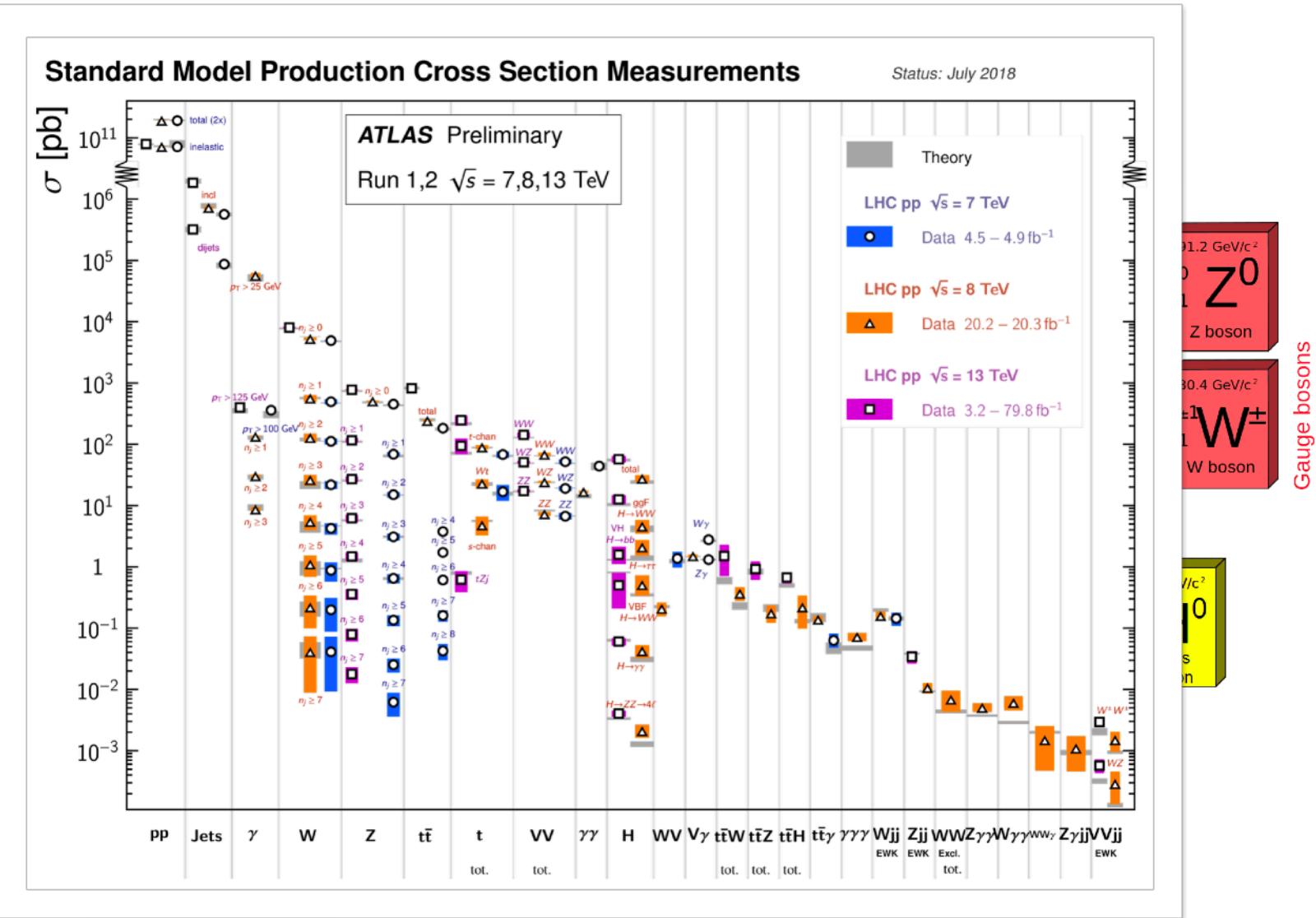
- Successfull theory: describes **elementary particles** & **interactions**
  - "Last" piece discovered in 2012: **Higgs boson**



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- "Last" Higgs



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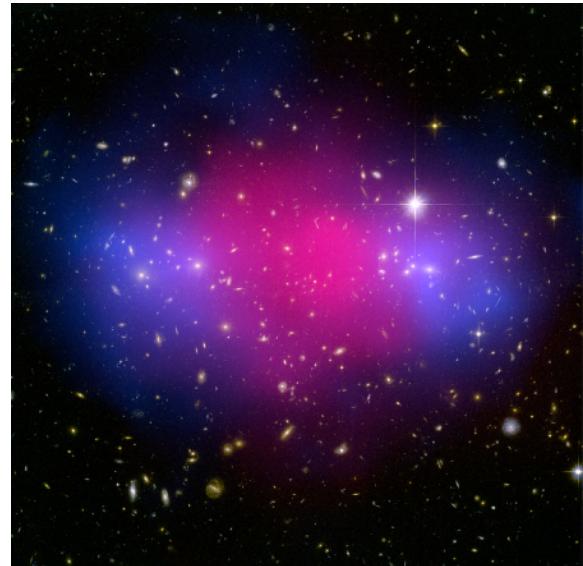
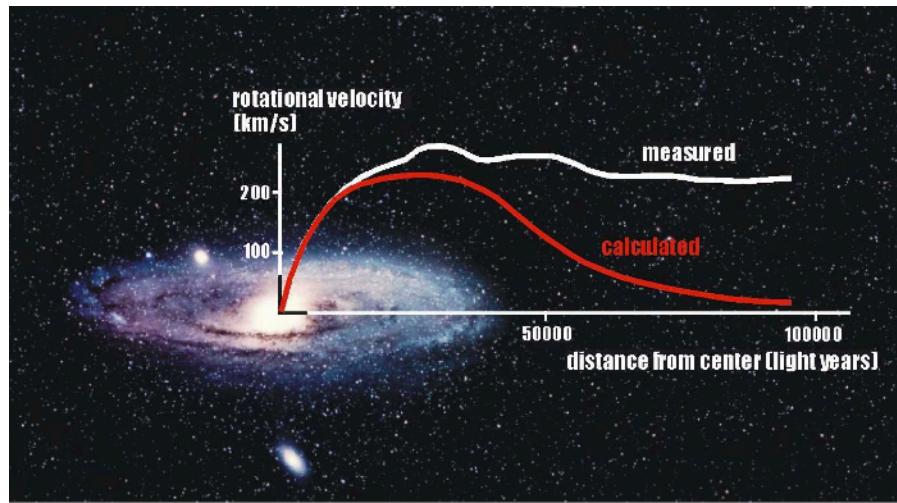
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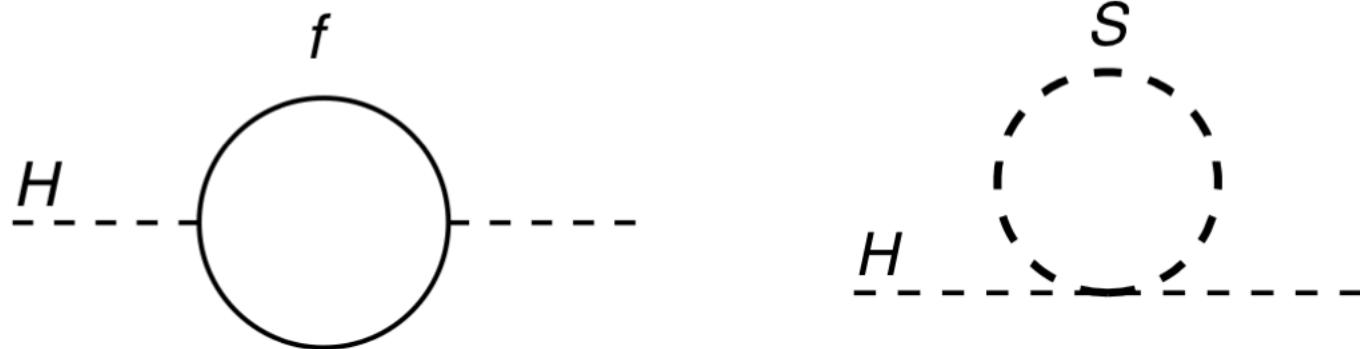
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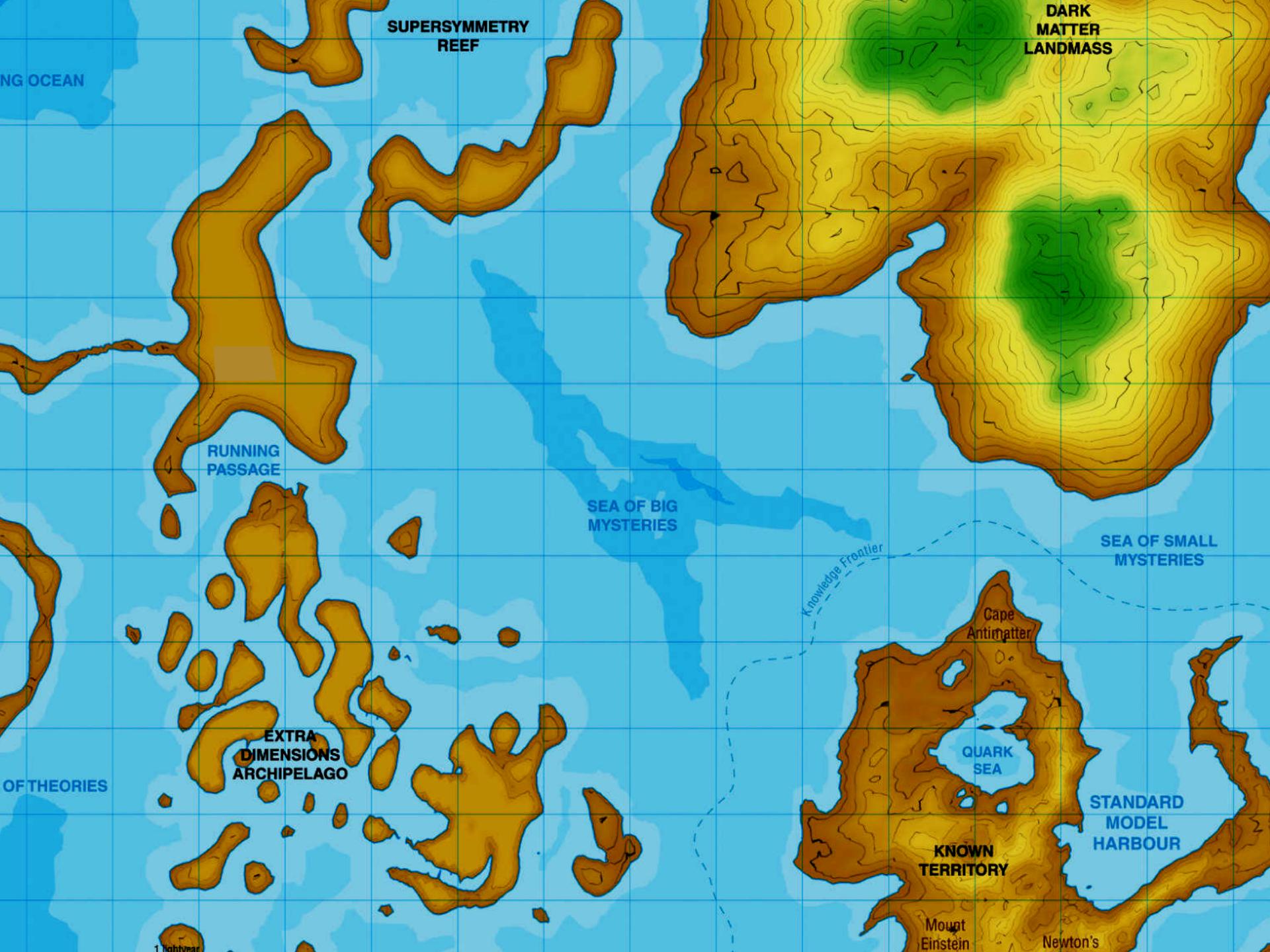
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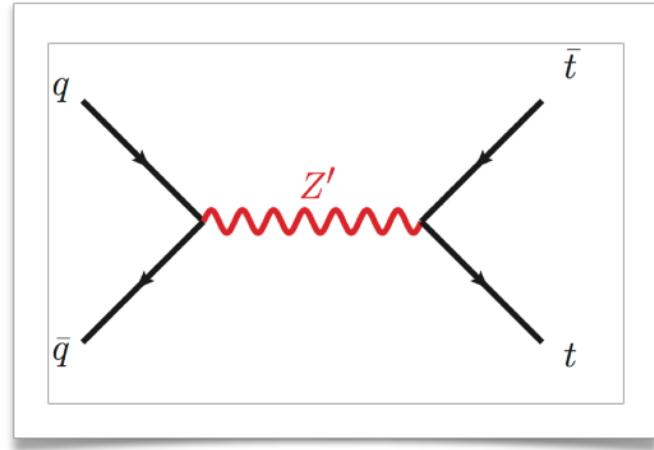
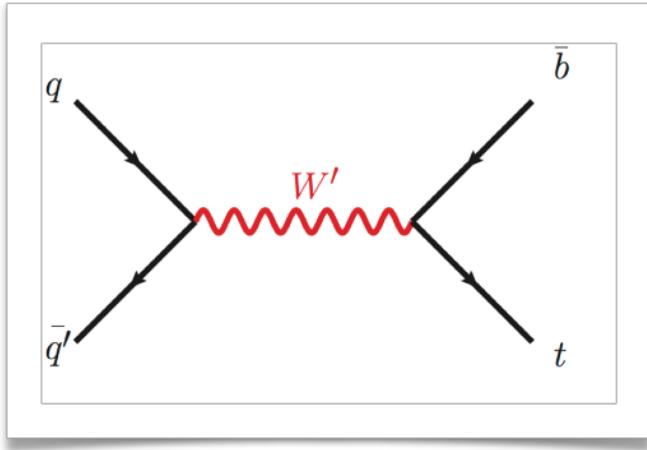


# Beyond the Standard Model

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- **Changing/adding symmetries**

- SM low-energy effective theory ?
- SM based on  $SU(3) \times SU(2) \times U(1)$  → Belong to a **larger symmetry group ?**
  - $E_6, SO(10), \dots$  (e.g. SSM, GUT theories)
- Breaking ⇒ new symmetries remain ⇒ **additional gauge bosons predicted**
  - e.g.  $Z'$ ,  $W'$

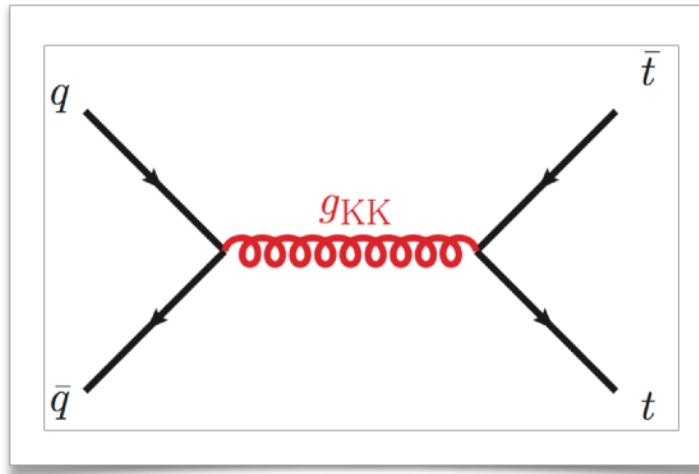


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- **New dimensions**

- Could explain e.g. **mass hierarchy**, scale hierarchy
- Constraints  $\Rightarrow$  extra-dimensions **compactified**
  - e.g. warped extra-dimensions (Randall-Sundrum)
- **Excitations of SM particles**  $\Rightarrow$  new particles
  - e.g. Kaluza-Klein gluons, gravitons, ...

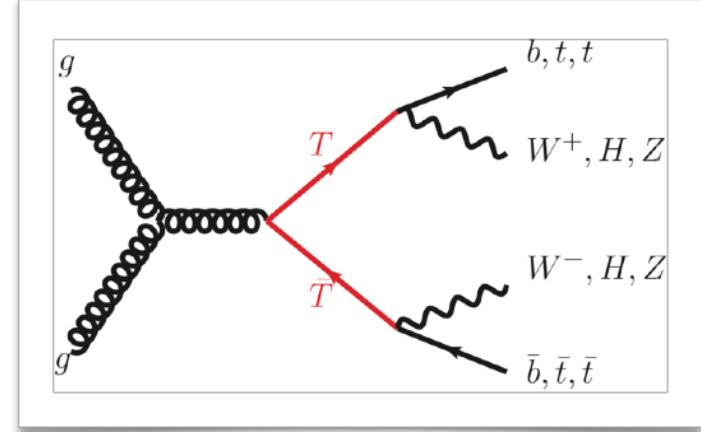
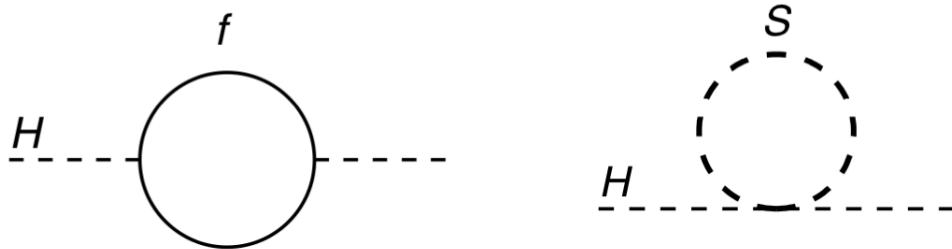


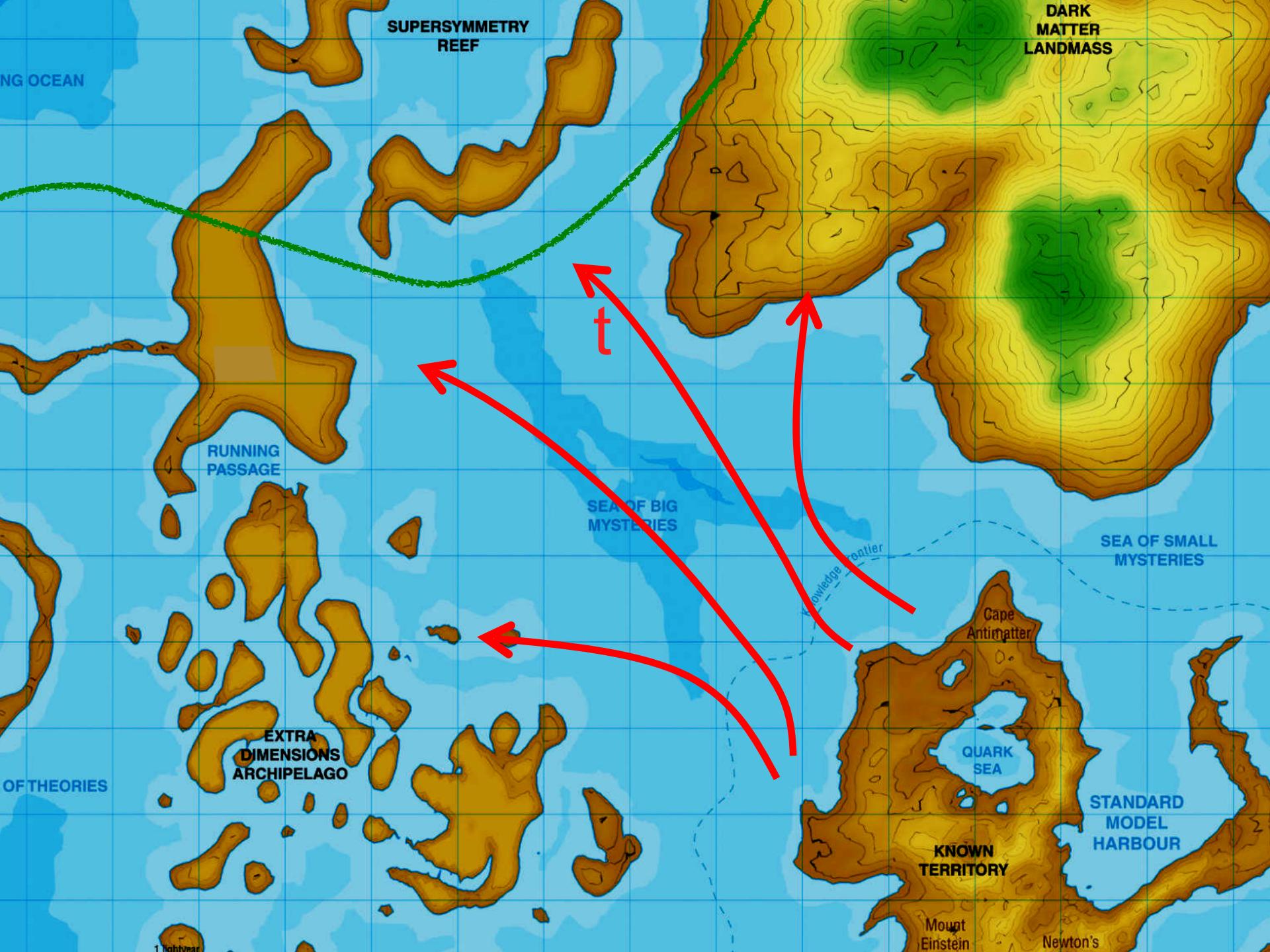
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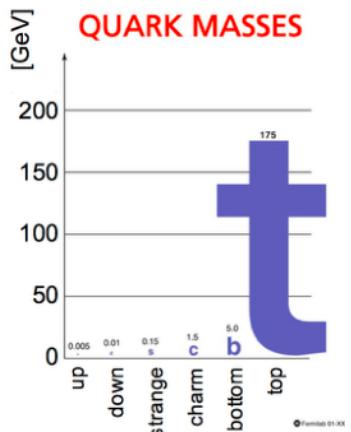
- **Top quark partners**

- New Physics at higher scale (Planck)  $\Rightarrow$  **could lead to large radiative corrections**
- Reduction of these corrections: **top quark's partners**
  - superpartners (stops), **vector-like partners** (e.g. Higgs compositeness)

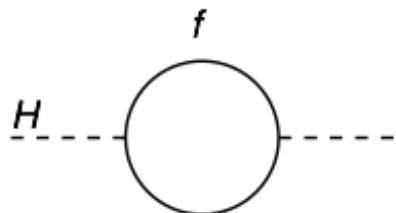




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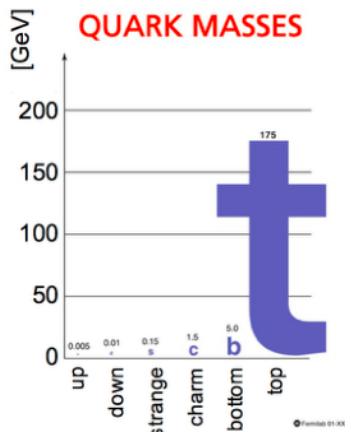


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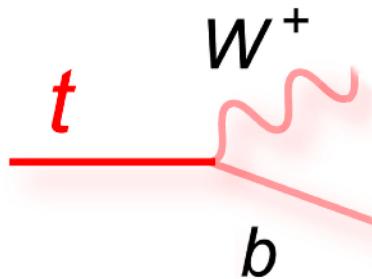


Leading radiative corrections  
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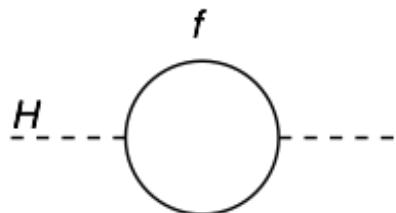
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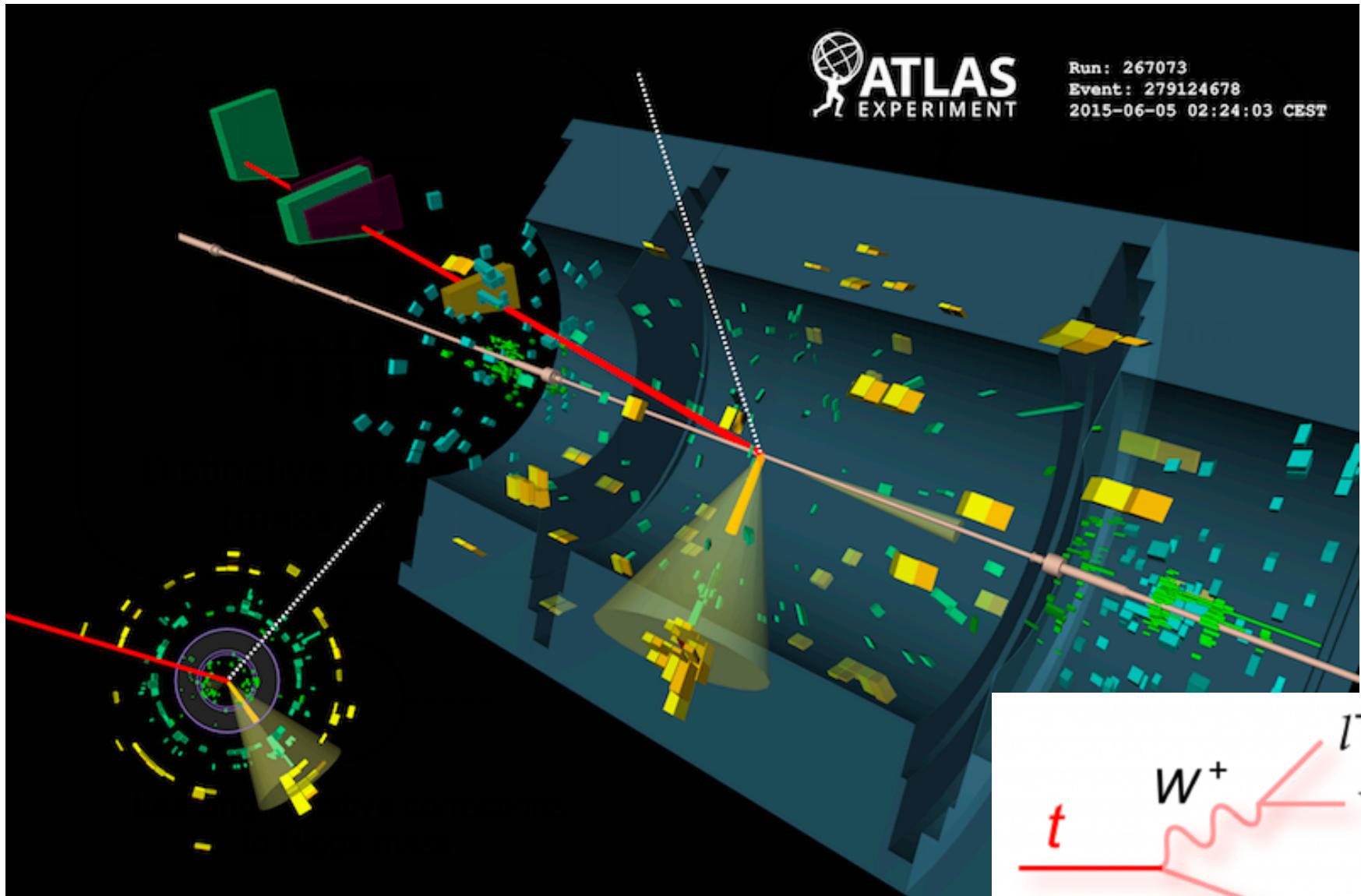


Unique experimental  
signature



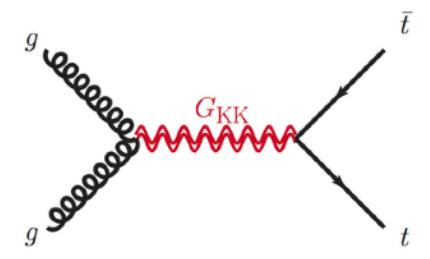
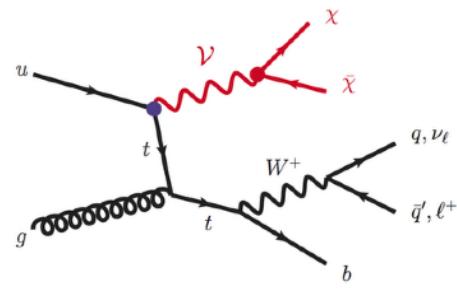
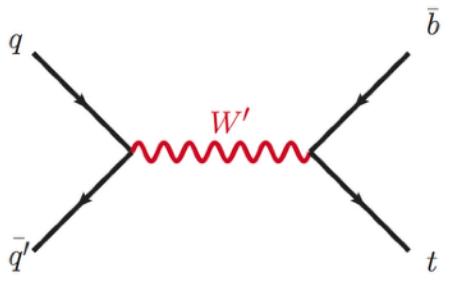
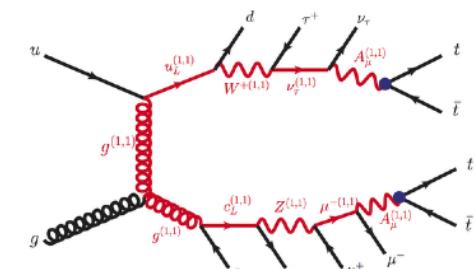
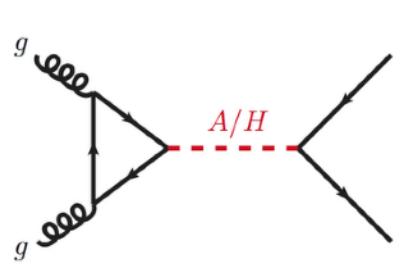
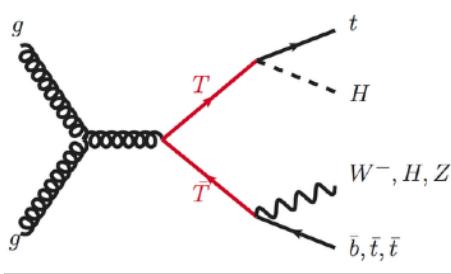
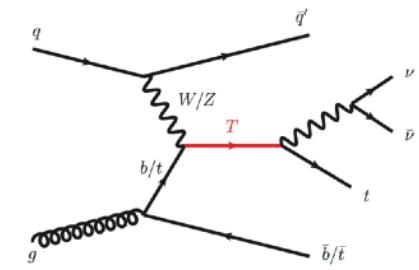
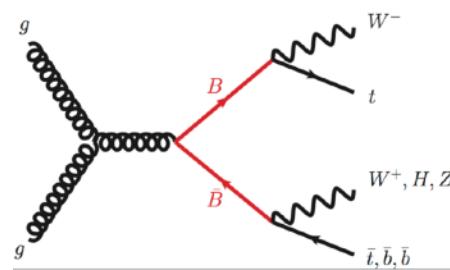
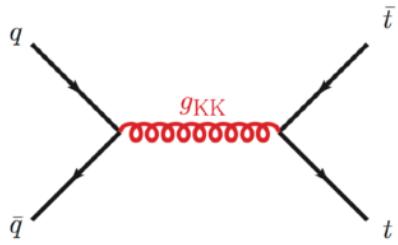
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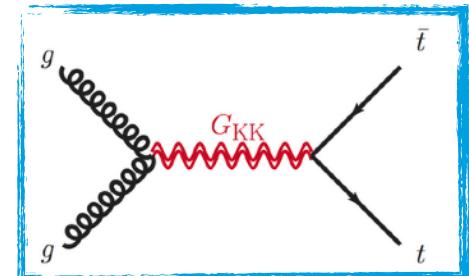
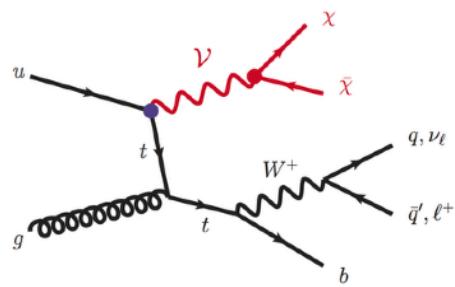
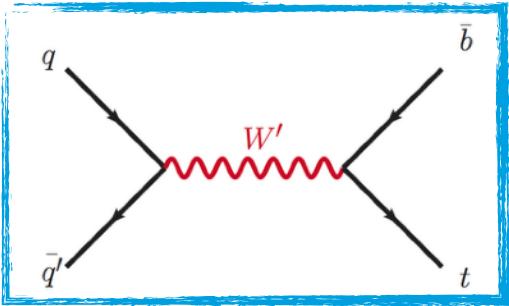
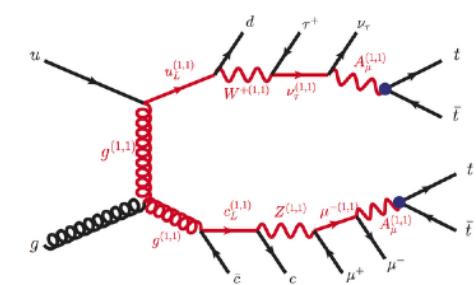
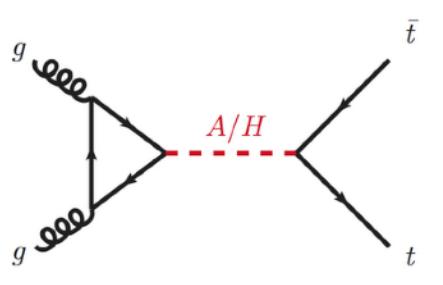
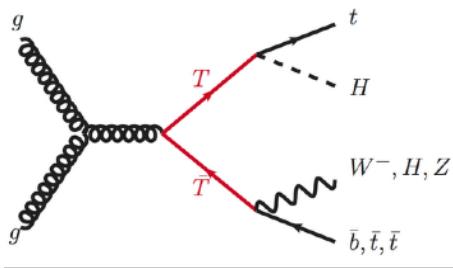
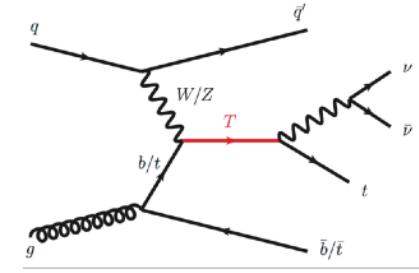
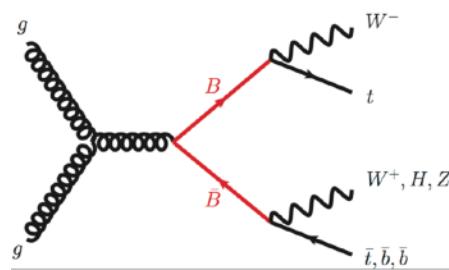
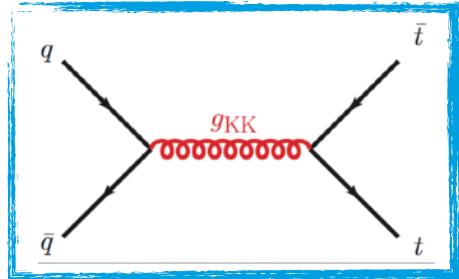
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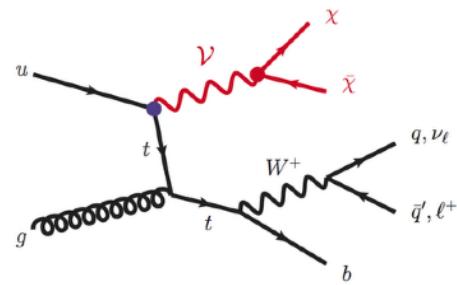
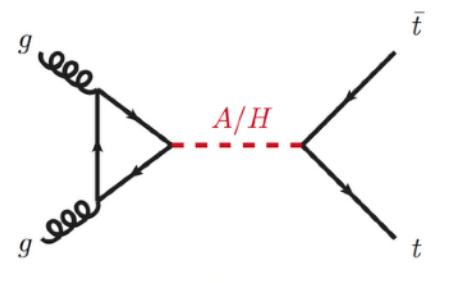
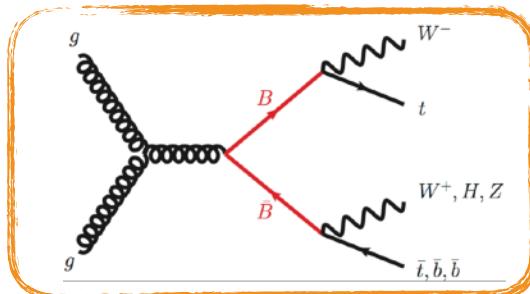
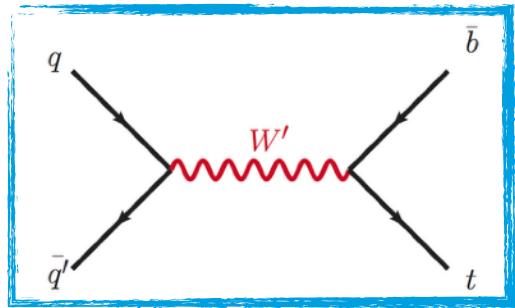
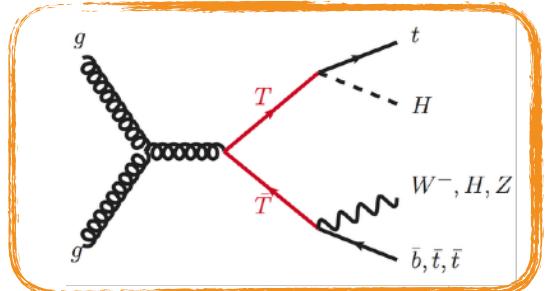
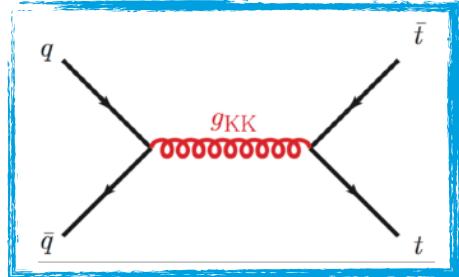
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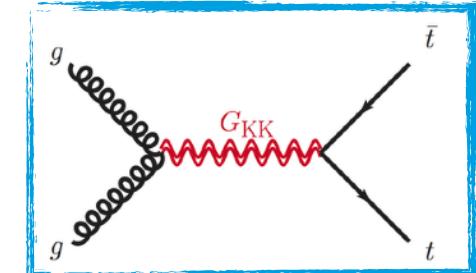
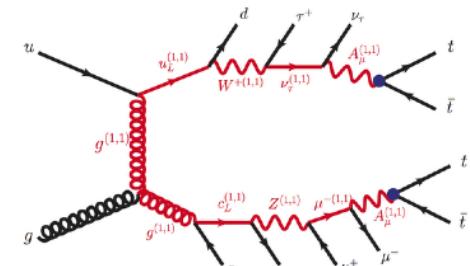
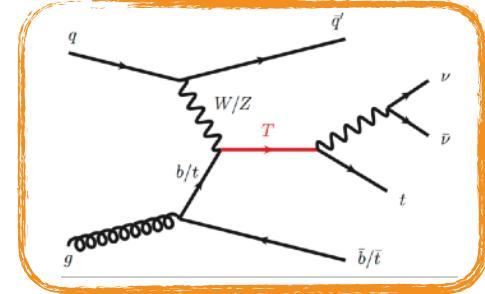
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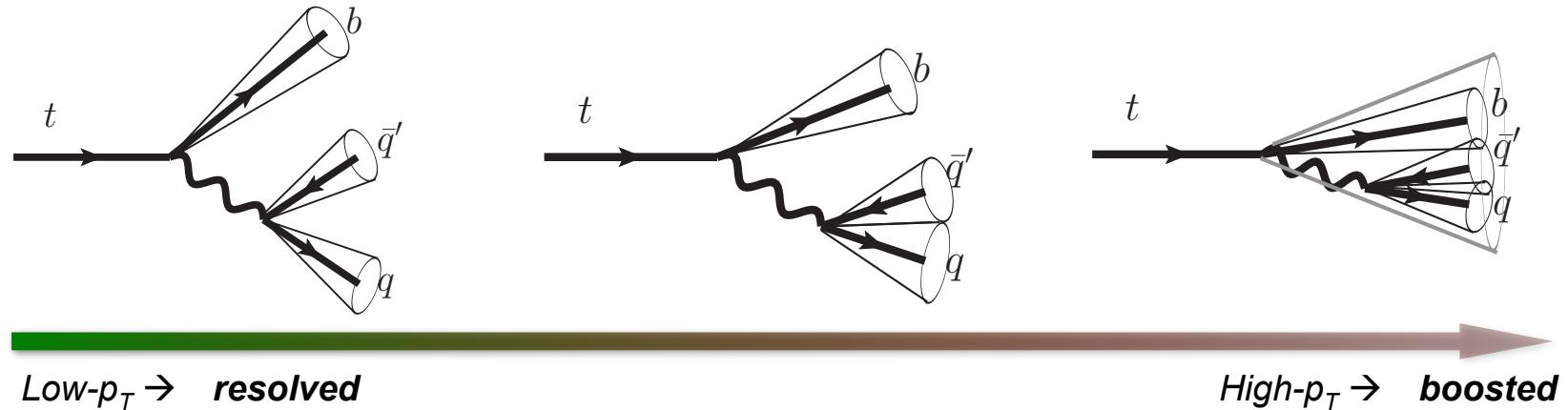


# Looking for new physics with top quarks

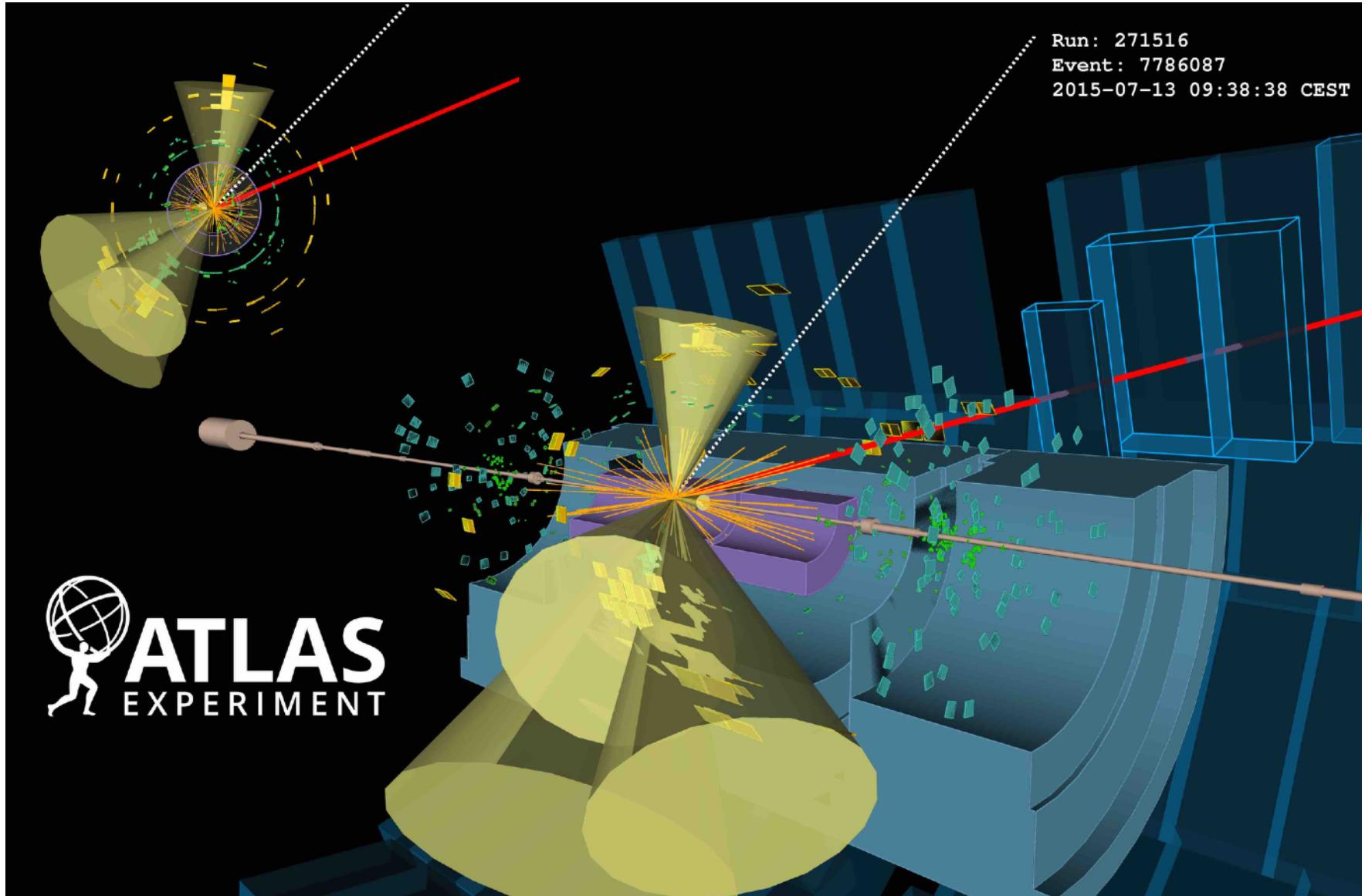
**Key features**

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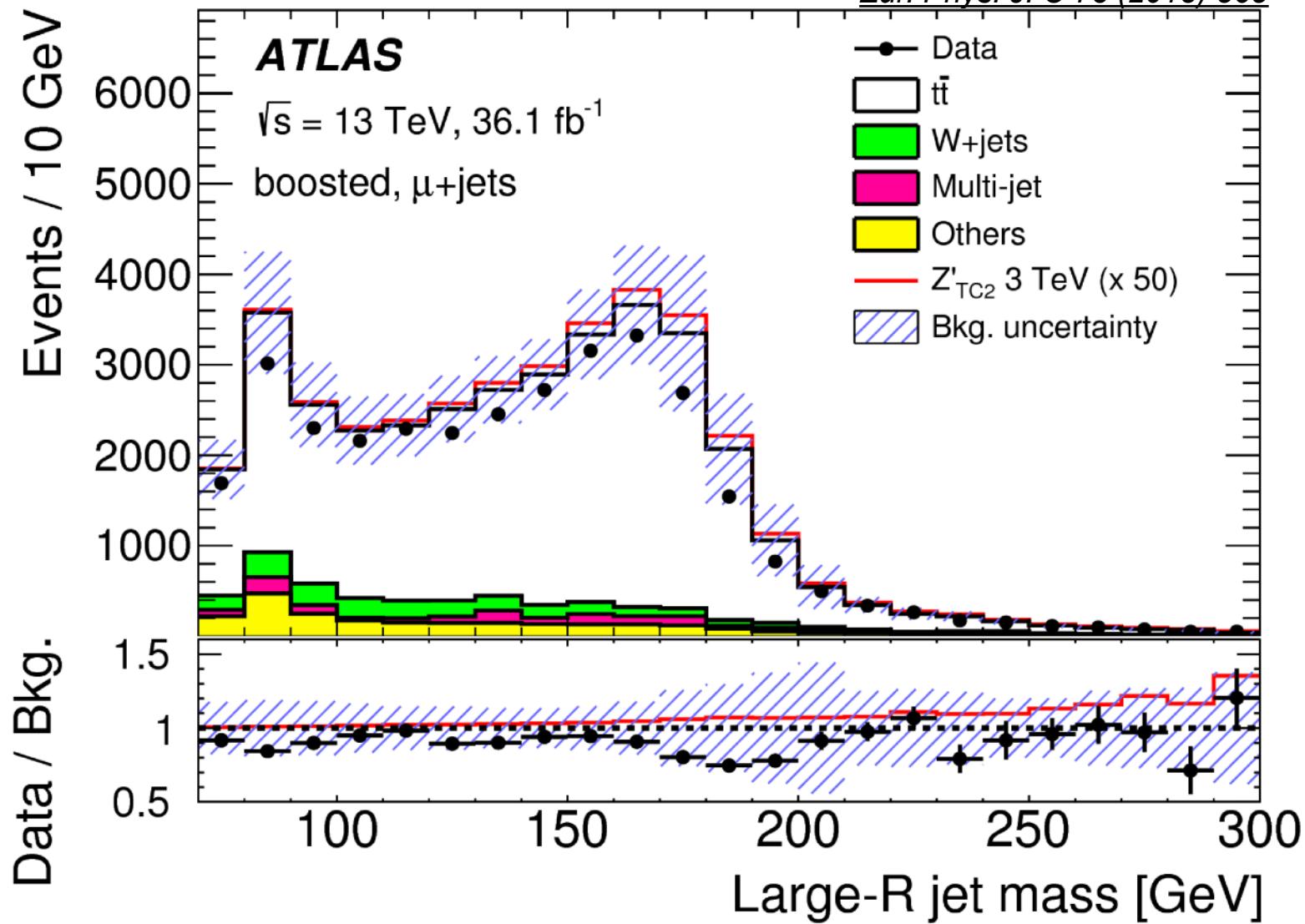


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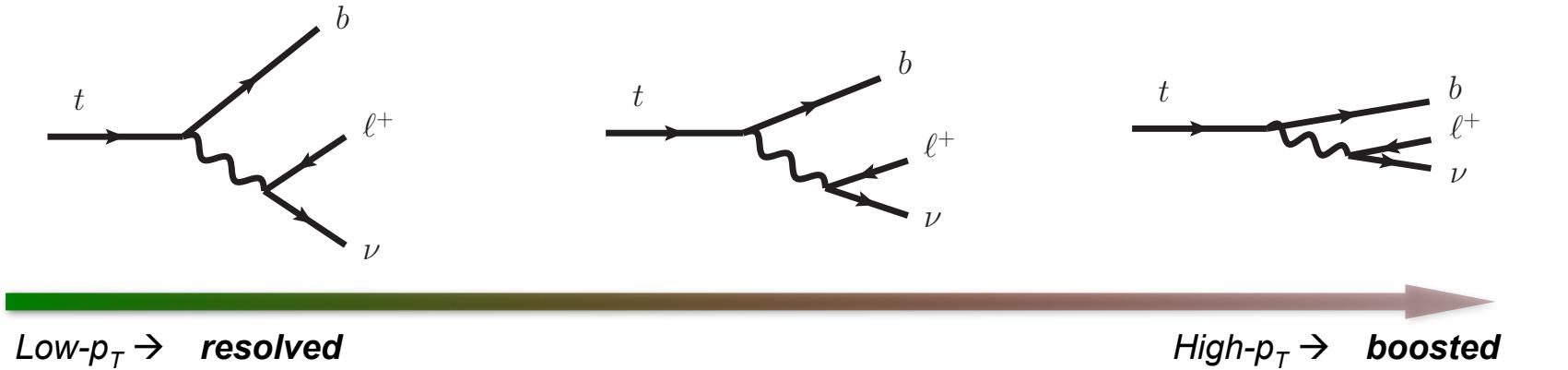
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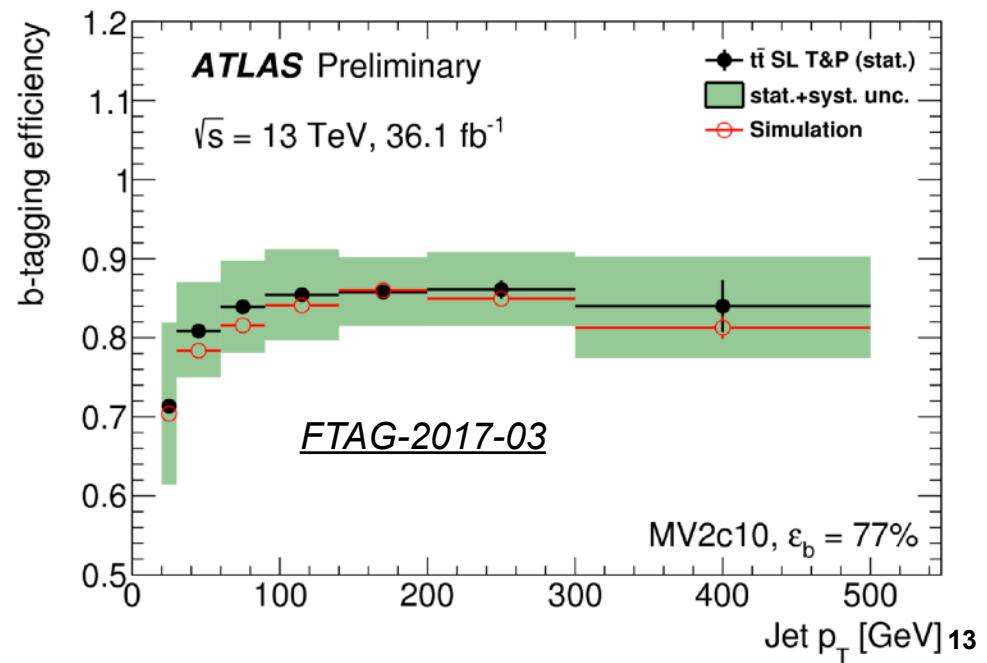


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- New heavy particles: **high- $p_T$  semi-leptonically-decaying objects**



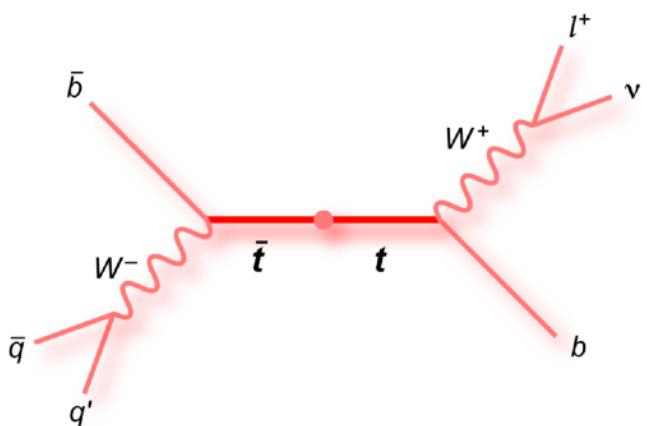
- Key aspects
  - Lepton **isolation**
  - Impact of **overlapping b-jet**
  - **b-jets** tagging at **high- $p_T$**



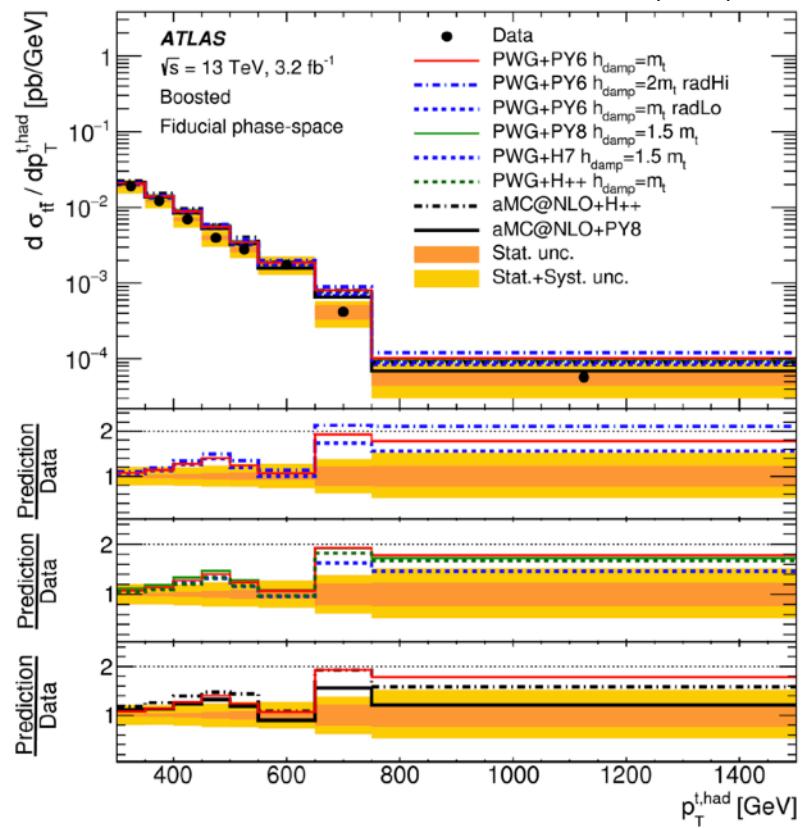
# $t\bar{t}$ +jets background

- $t\bar{t} + \text{jets}$  process: often largest background source in top-enriched BSM searches
- Different types probed in searches:
  - many additional jets, b-jets
  - high- $p_T$  top quarks
  - high- $p_T$  top-antitop system

**Background estimation strategy  
adapted to each phase space and  
observable**



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# Resonance searches

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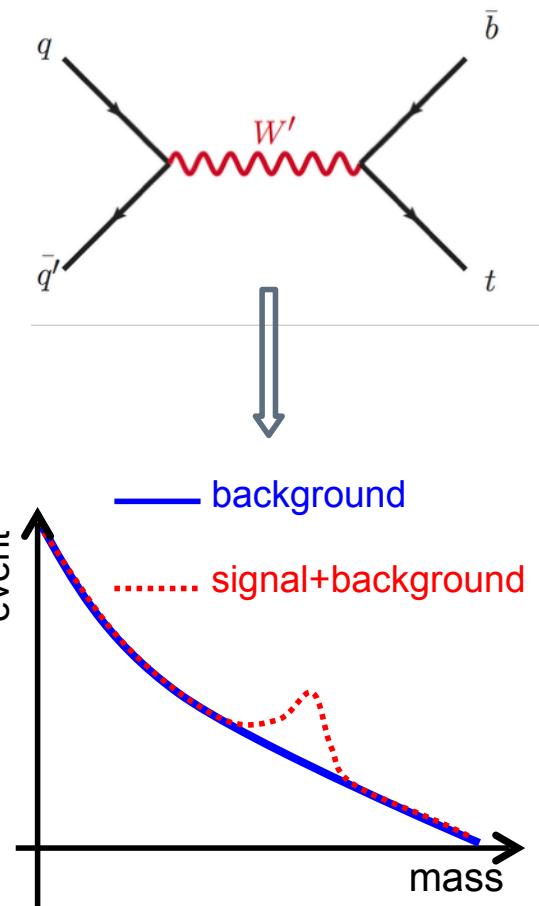
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- **Strategy**
  - Continuously falling background
  - New Physics → **bump on invariant mass spectrum**

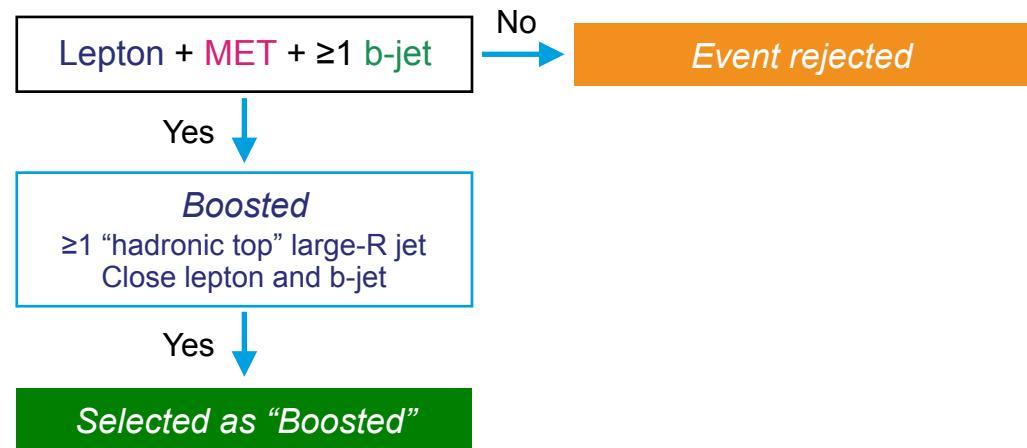
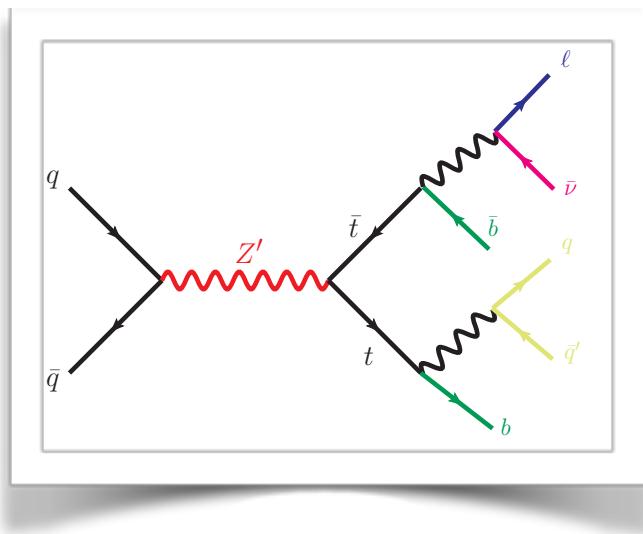
- **Key aspects**
  - Identification of boosted objects (e.g. boosted top quarks)
  - **Reconstruction** of invariant mass
  - **Background shape** modelling



# $t\bar{t}$ resonances

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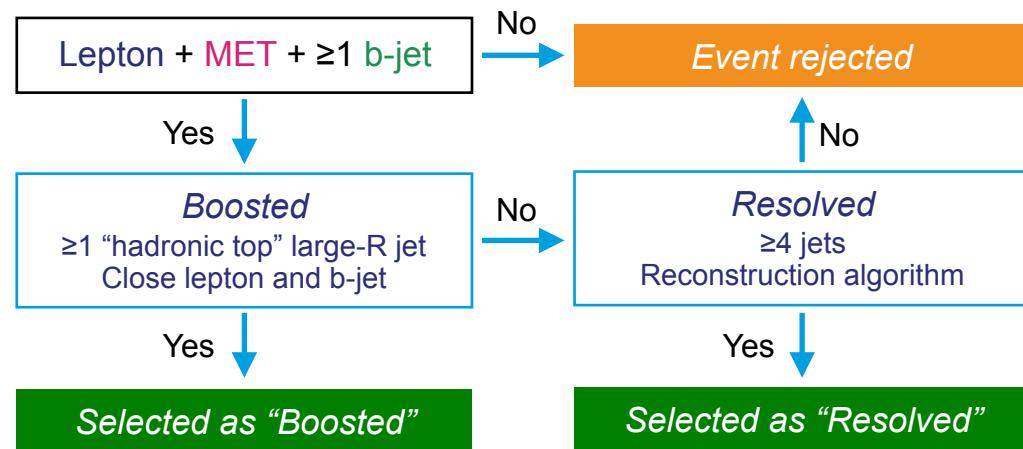
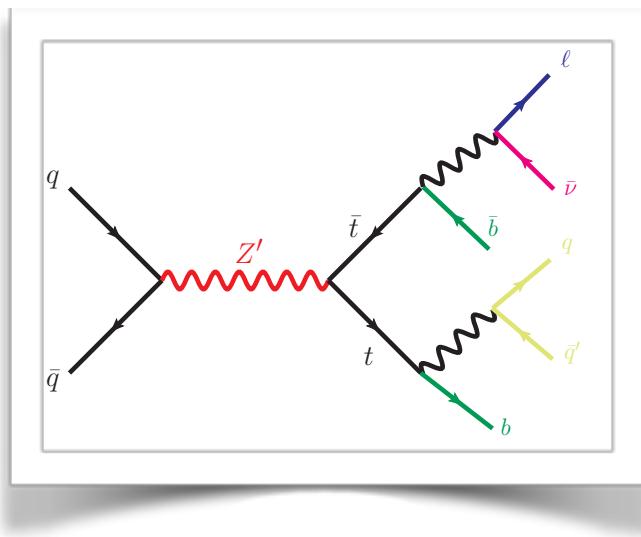
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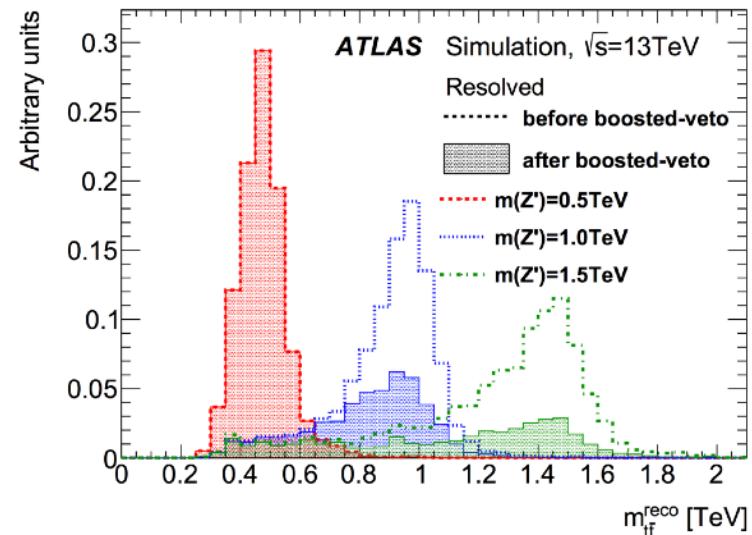
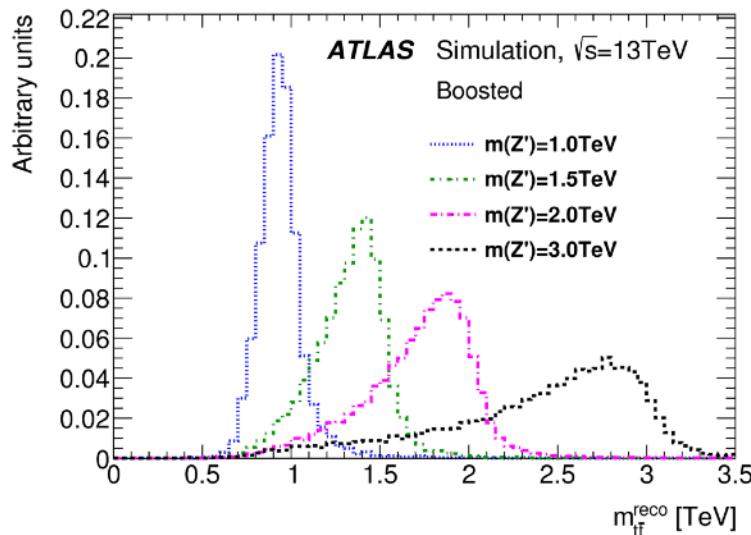
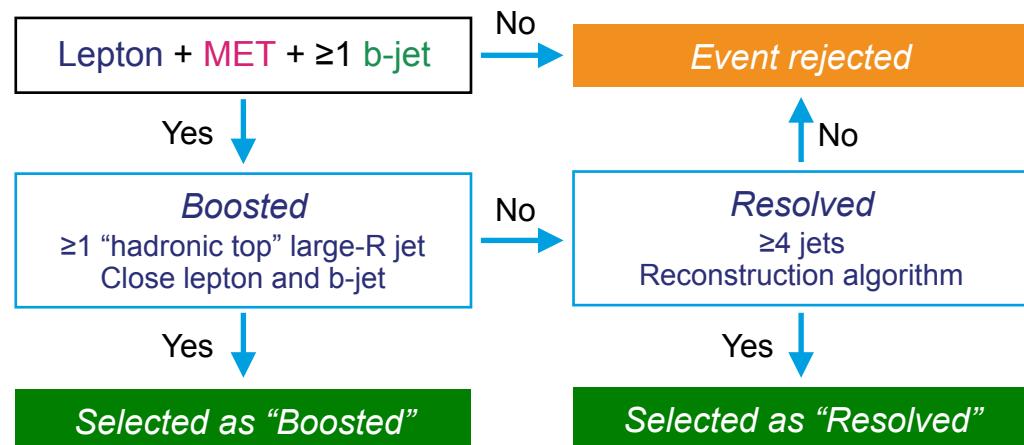
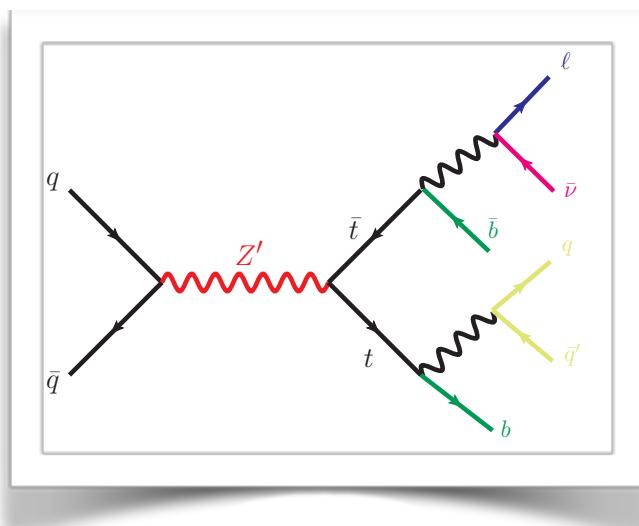
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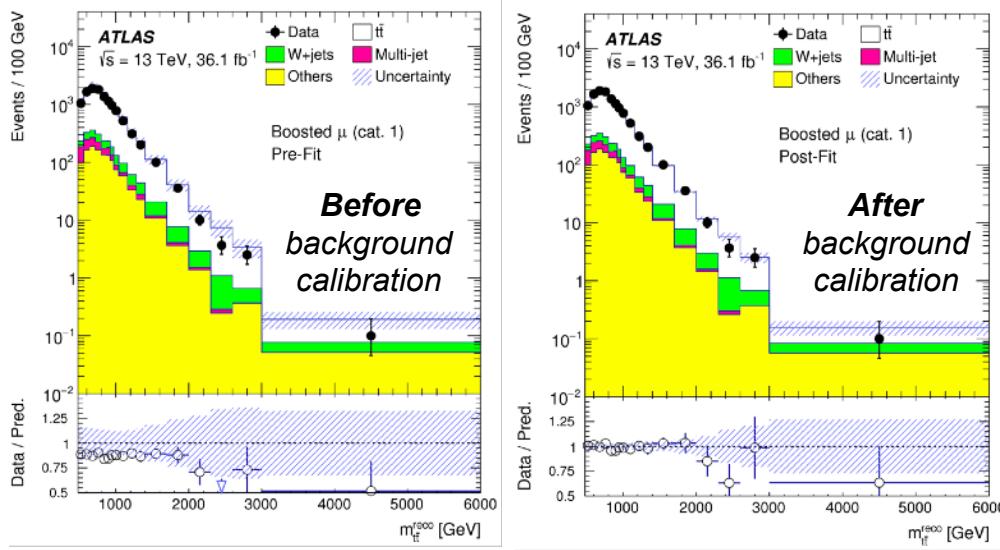


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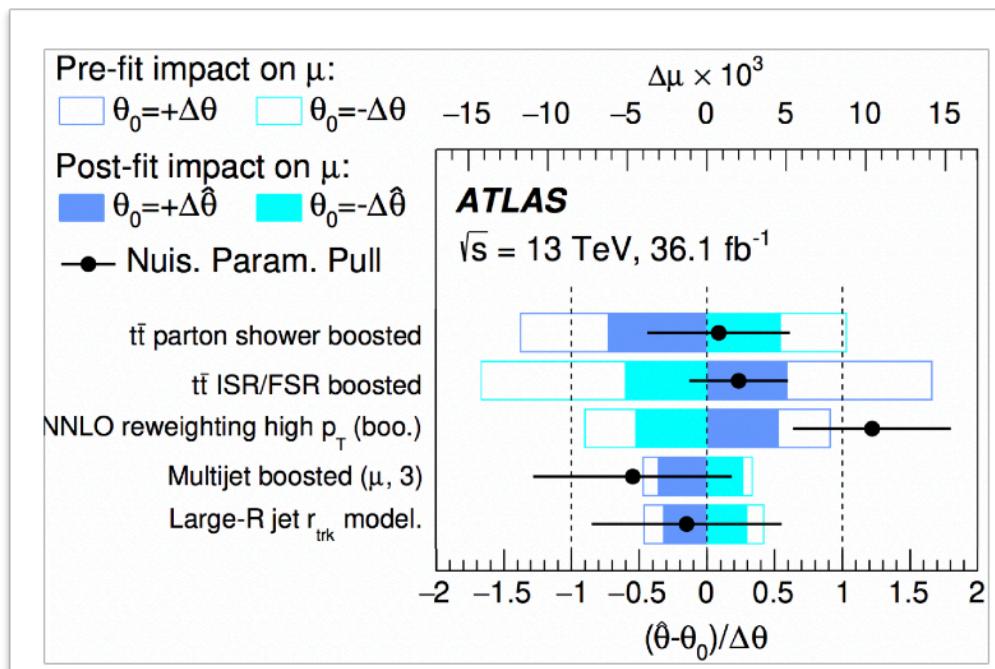


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- Background estimate **parameters**
  - Background **normalisation**
  - MC generator **settings**
  - **Alternative** generators
- Background calibration
  - **Background model fit to data**



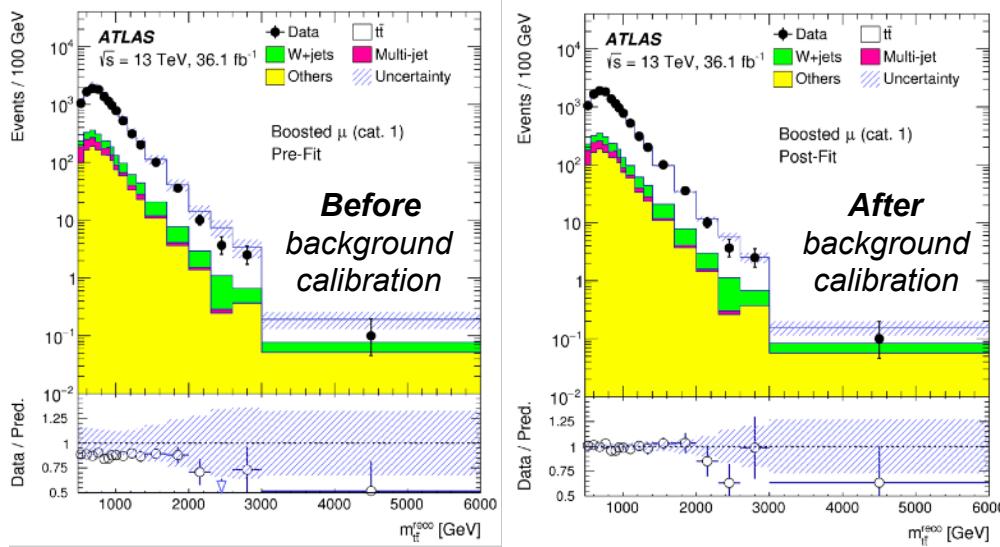
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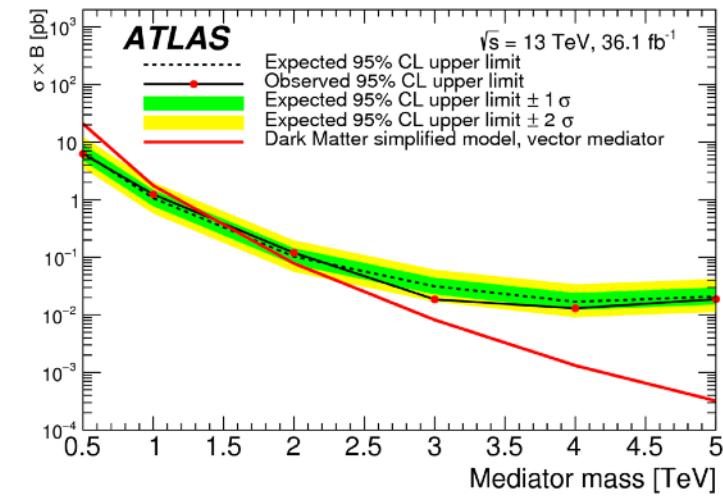
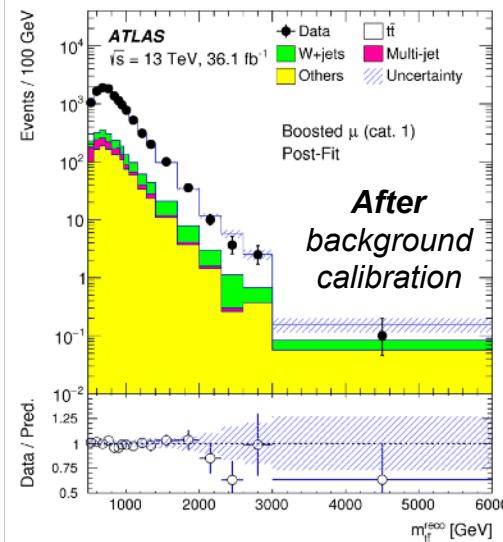
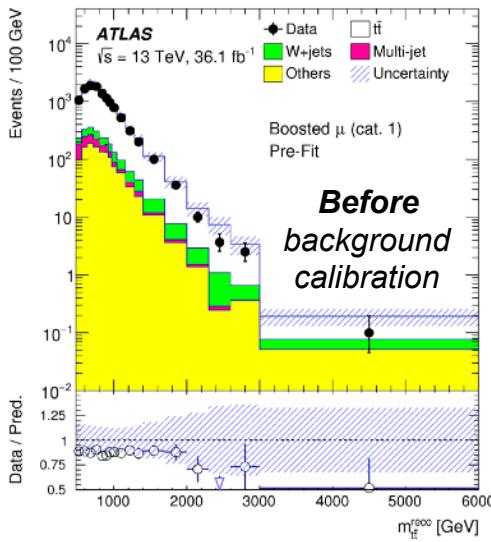


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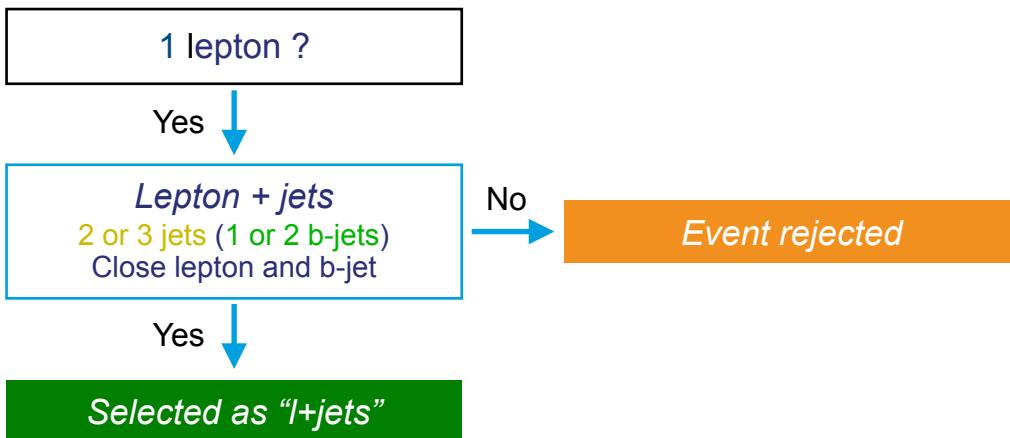
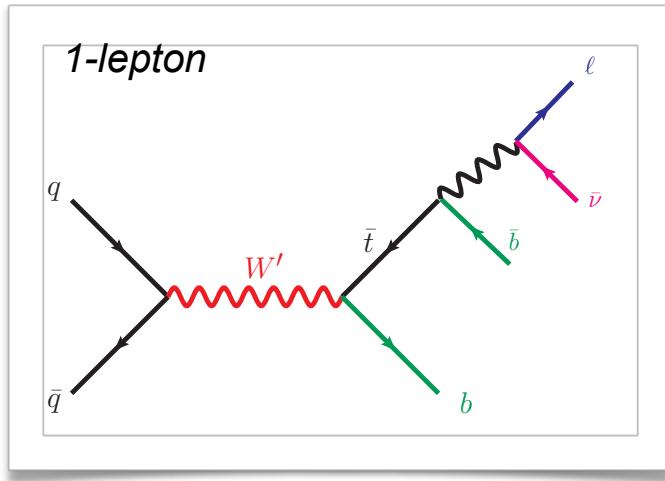
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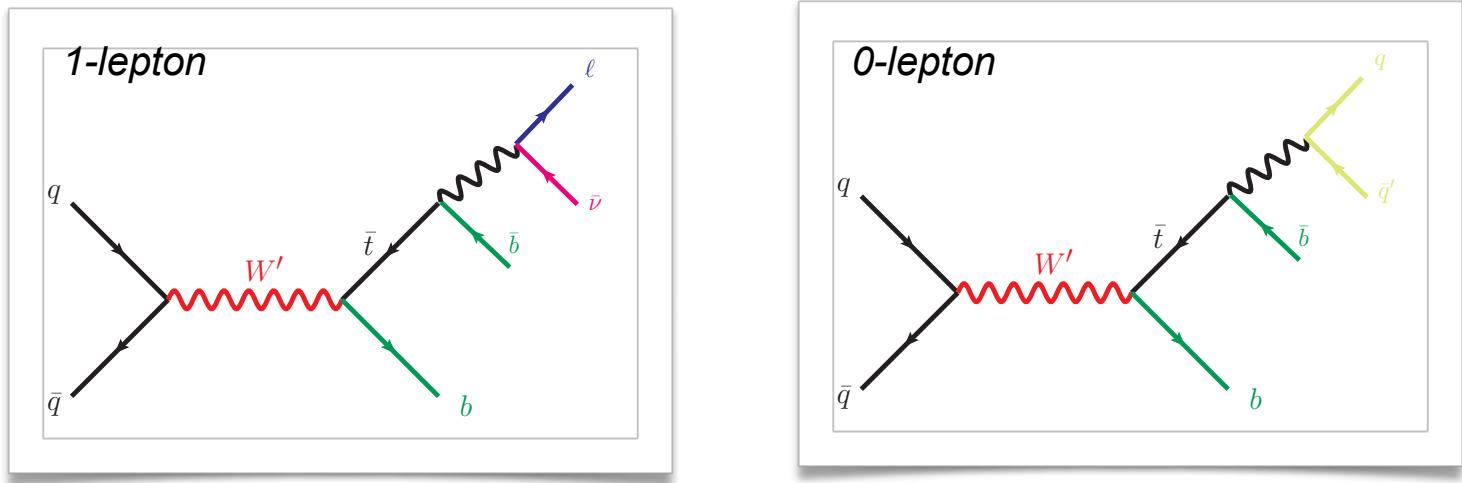
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- Bumps searched for in all channels → **no significant bump observed**
- CL<sub>s</sub> limits set at 95% CL for various **models, masses and widths**



# $t\bar{b}$ resonances



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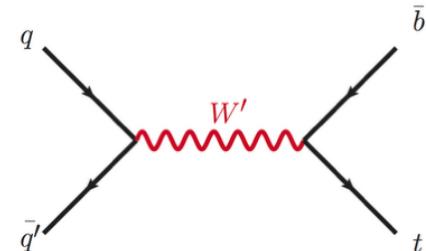


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arXiv:1807.10473

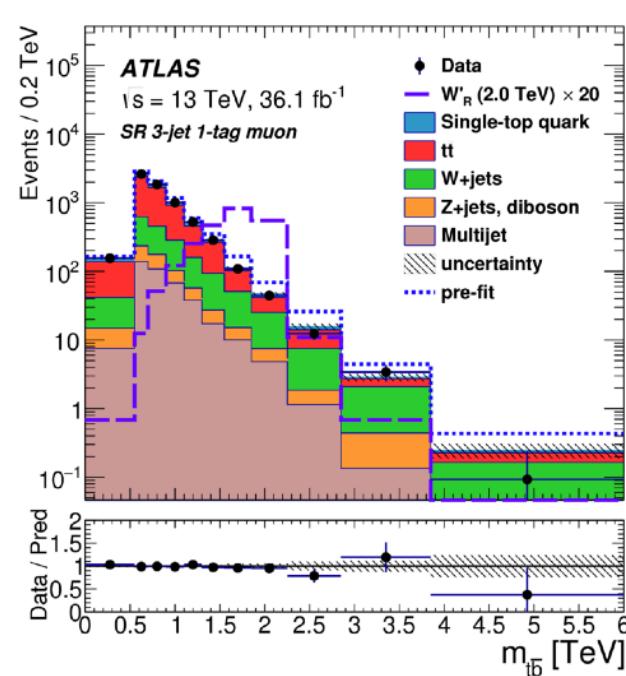
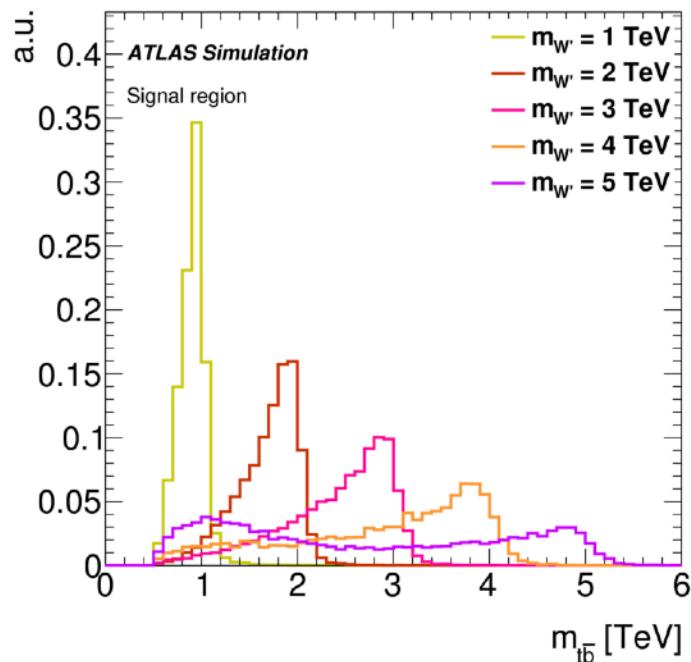
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- Event reconstruction

- $W'$  candidate: combination of lepton, MET and b-jet candidate
- Resolution effects: combinatorics and PDF

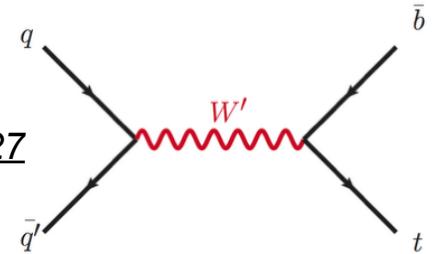
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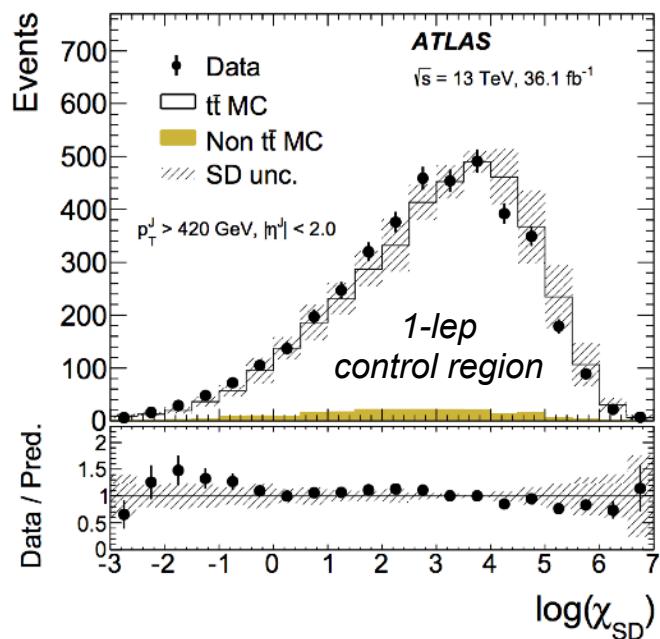
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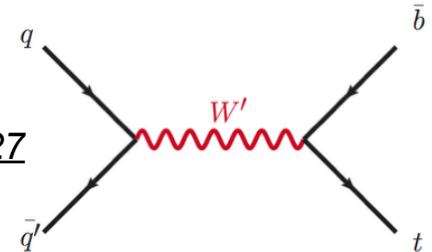
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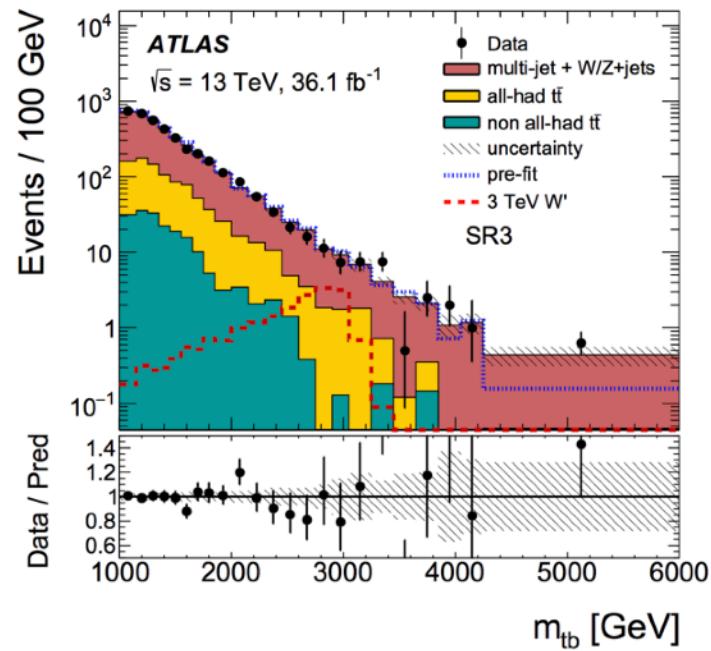
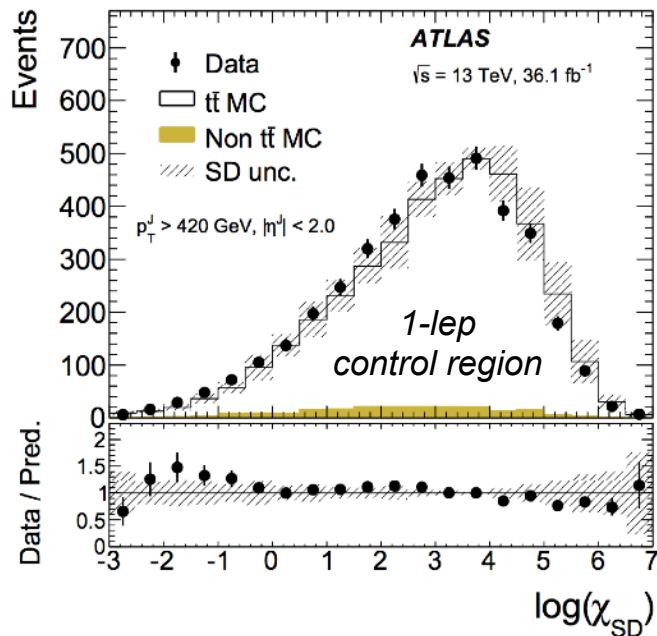
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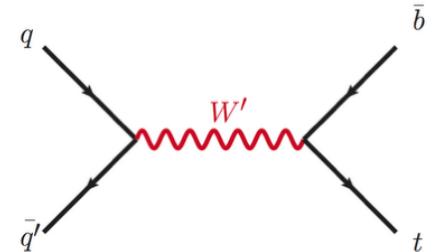
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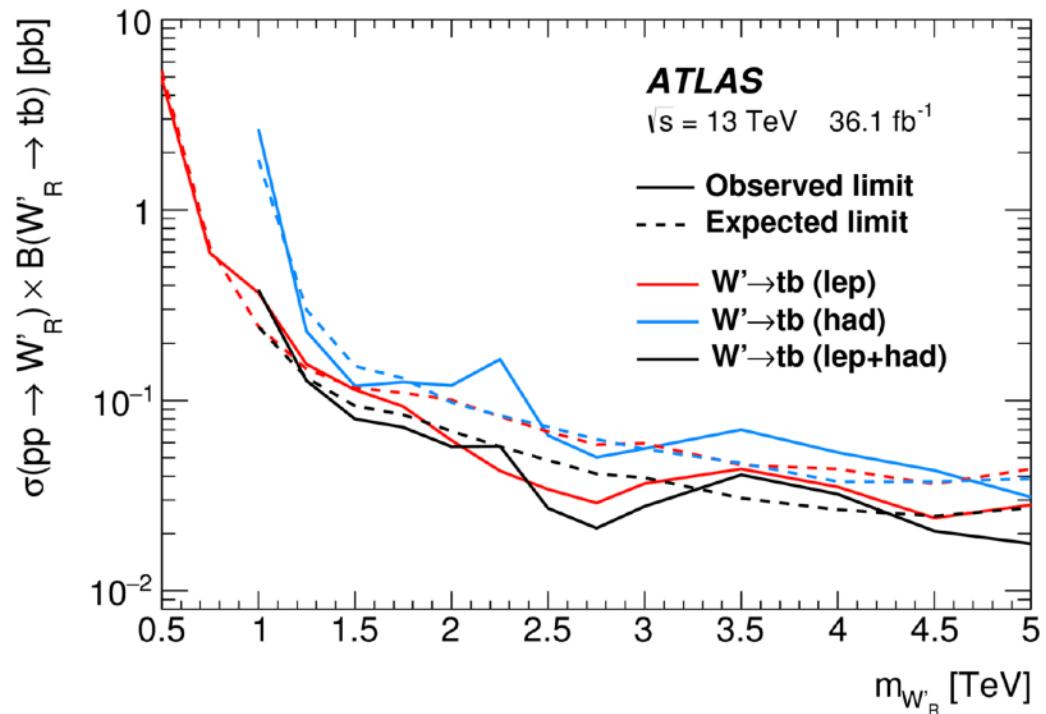
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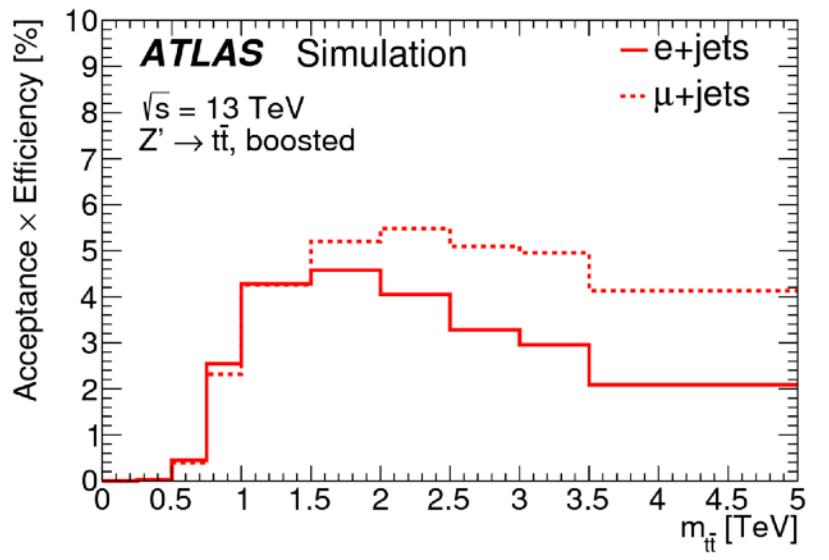
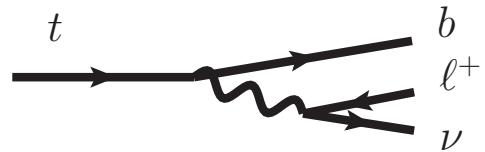


- 1- and 0-lepton searches: **similar sensitivity**
- **Different dominating background sources**
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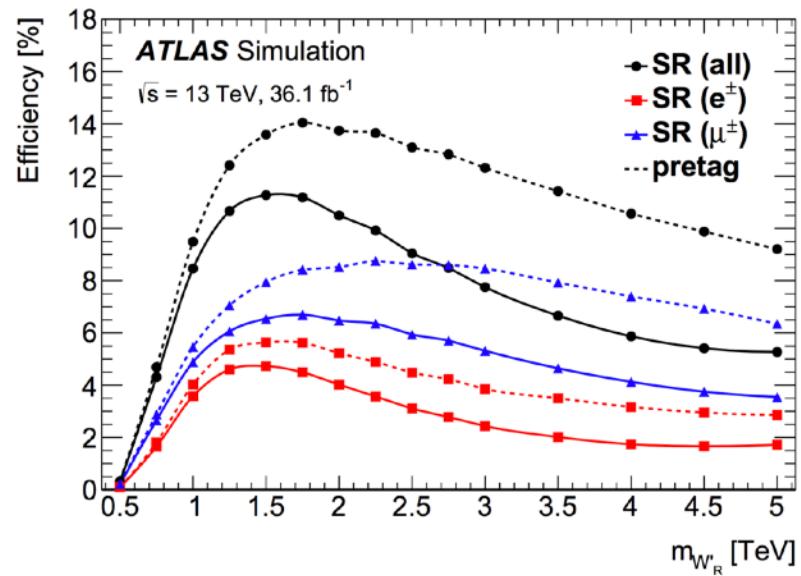
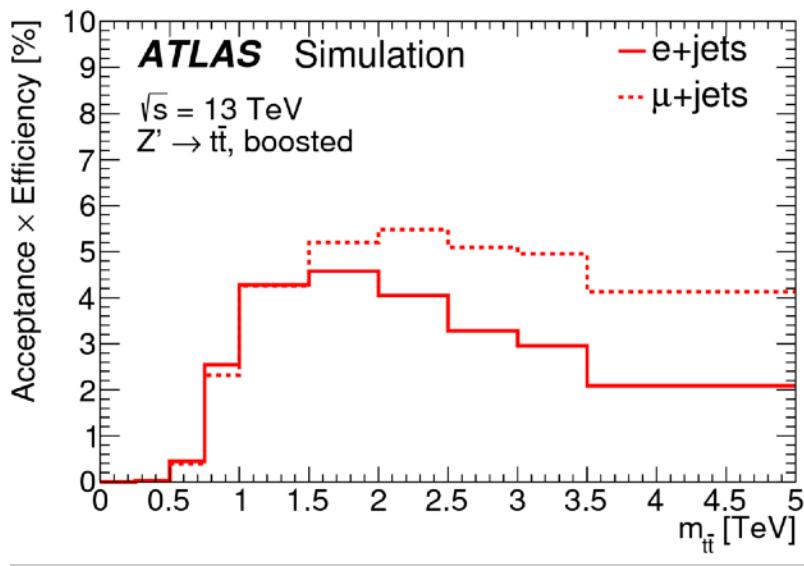
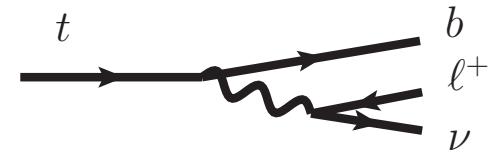


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- **Improvements** ongoing for next generation (e.g. [ATL-PHYS-PUB-2017-013](#))

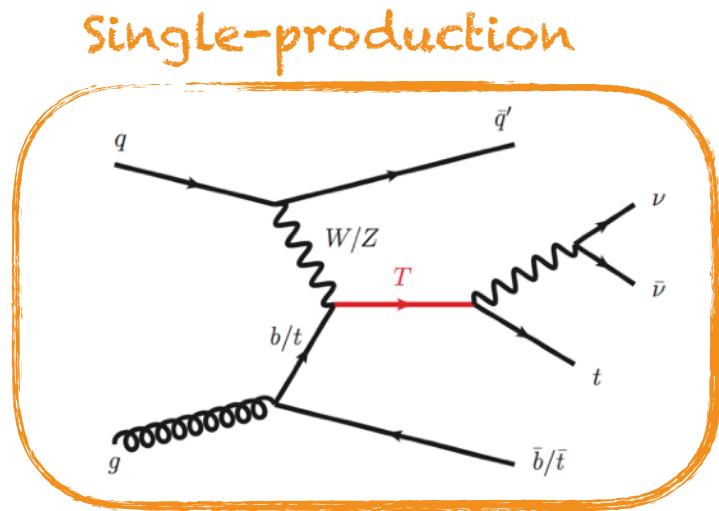
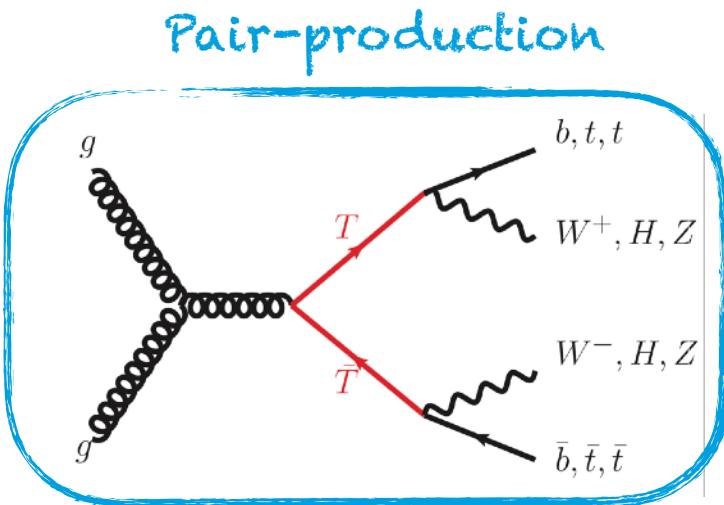
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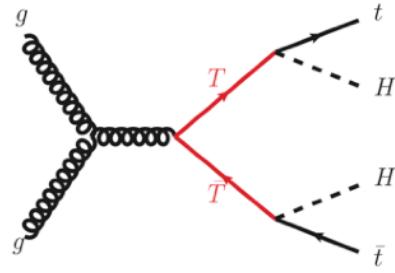
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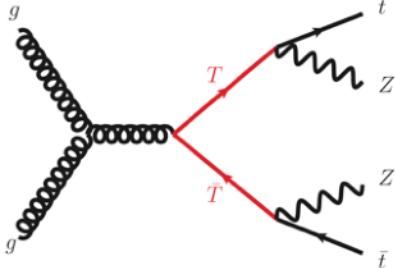
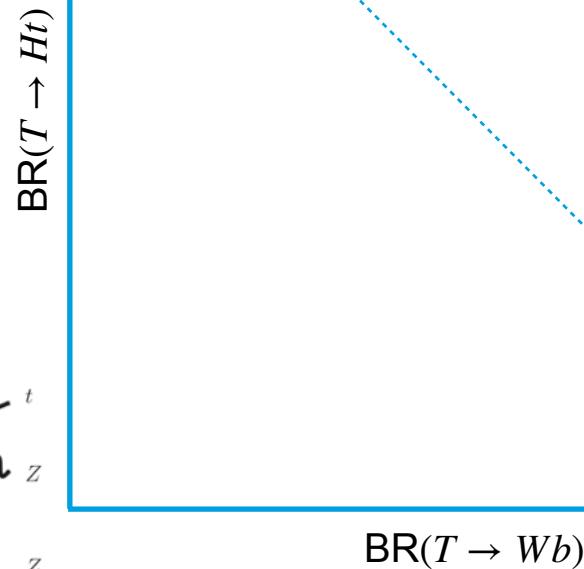
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- Dominant for **low masses**
- Cross-section depends on VLQ coupling assumptions
- Can be dominant for **high masses**

# Pair-production searches

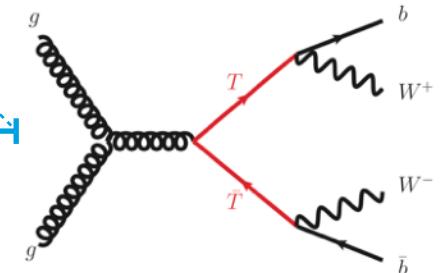
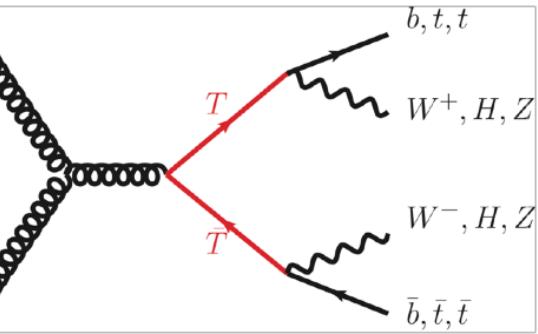
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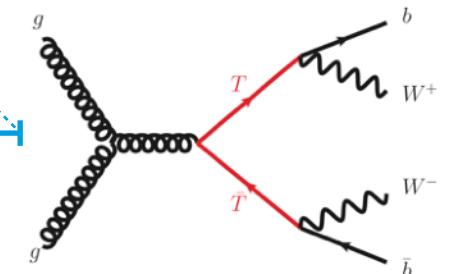
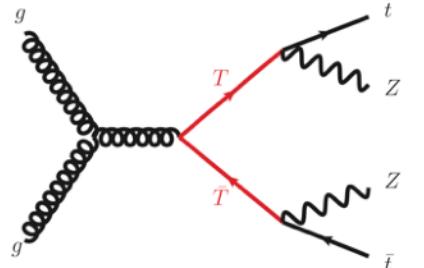
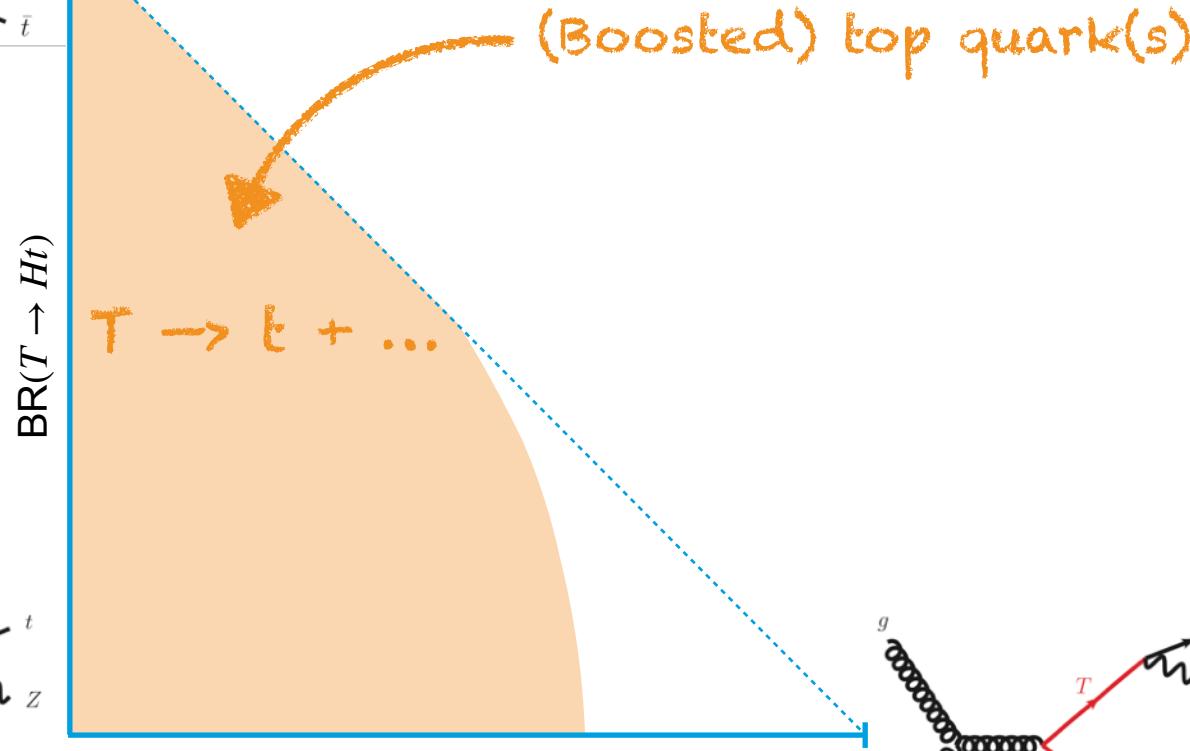
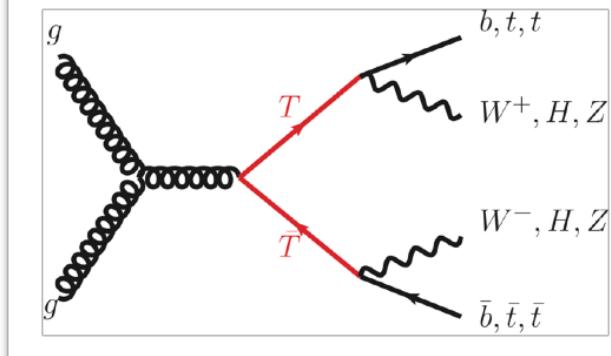
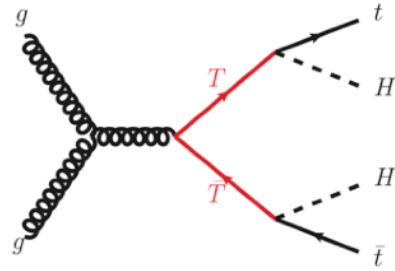


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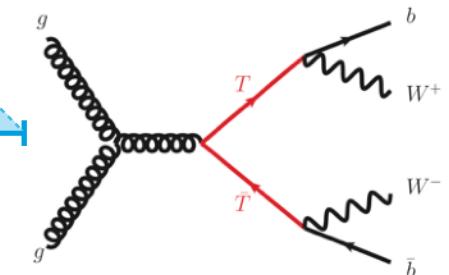
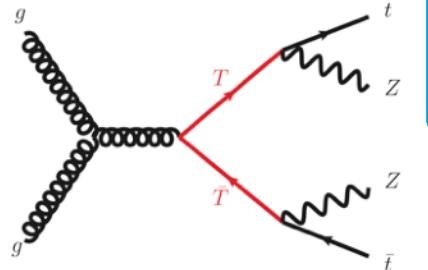
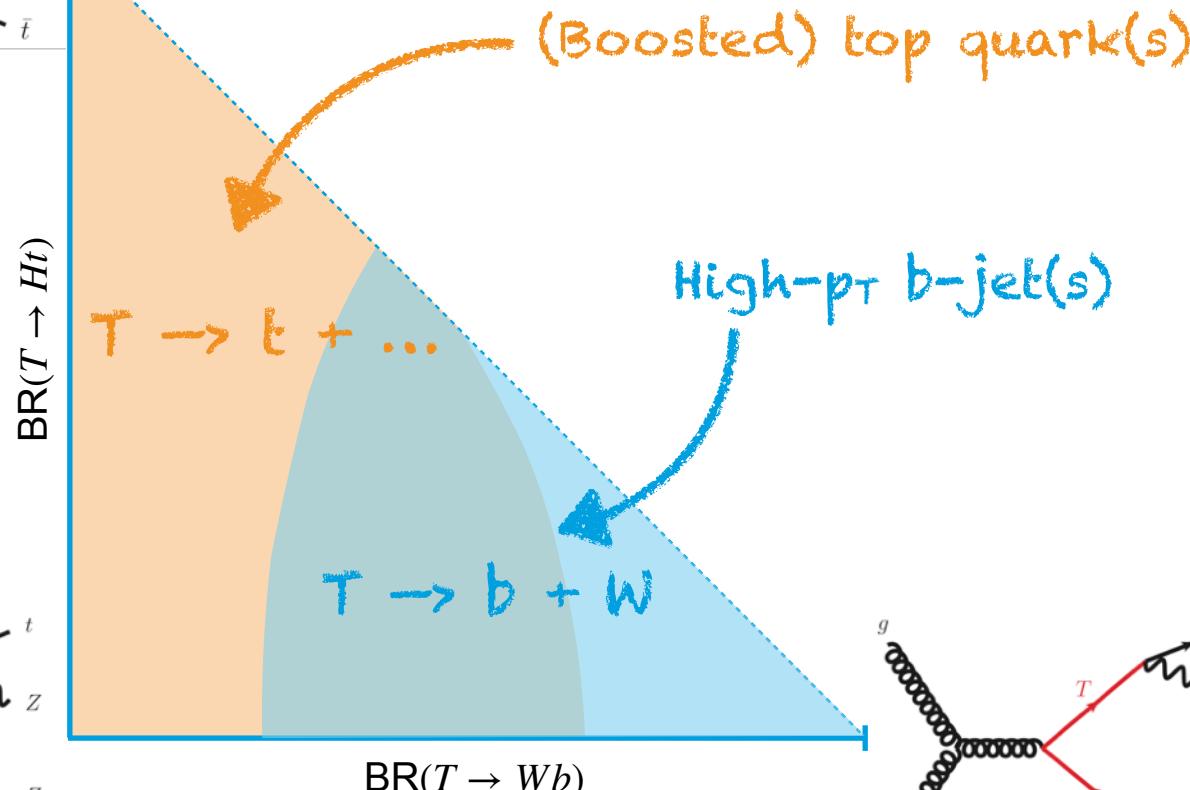
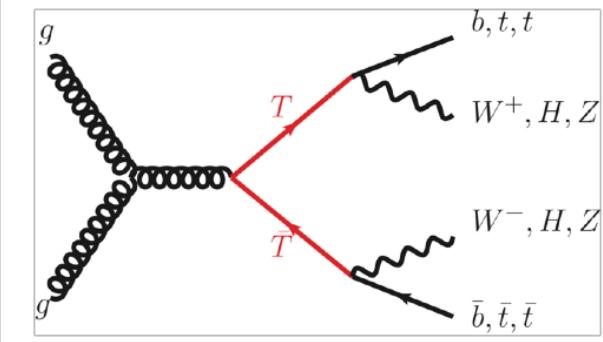
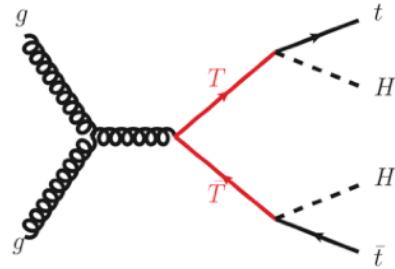
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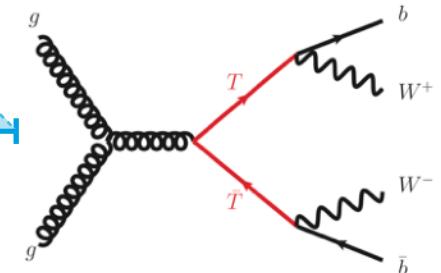
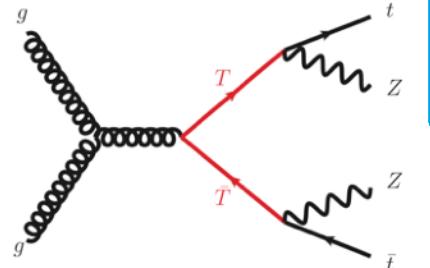
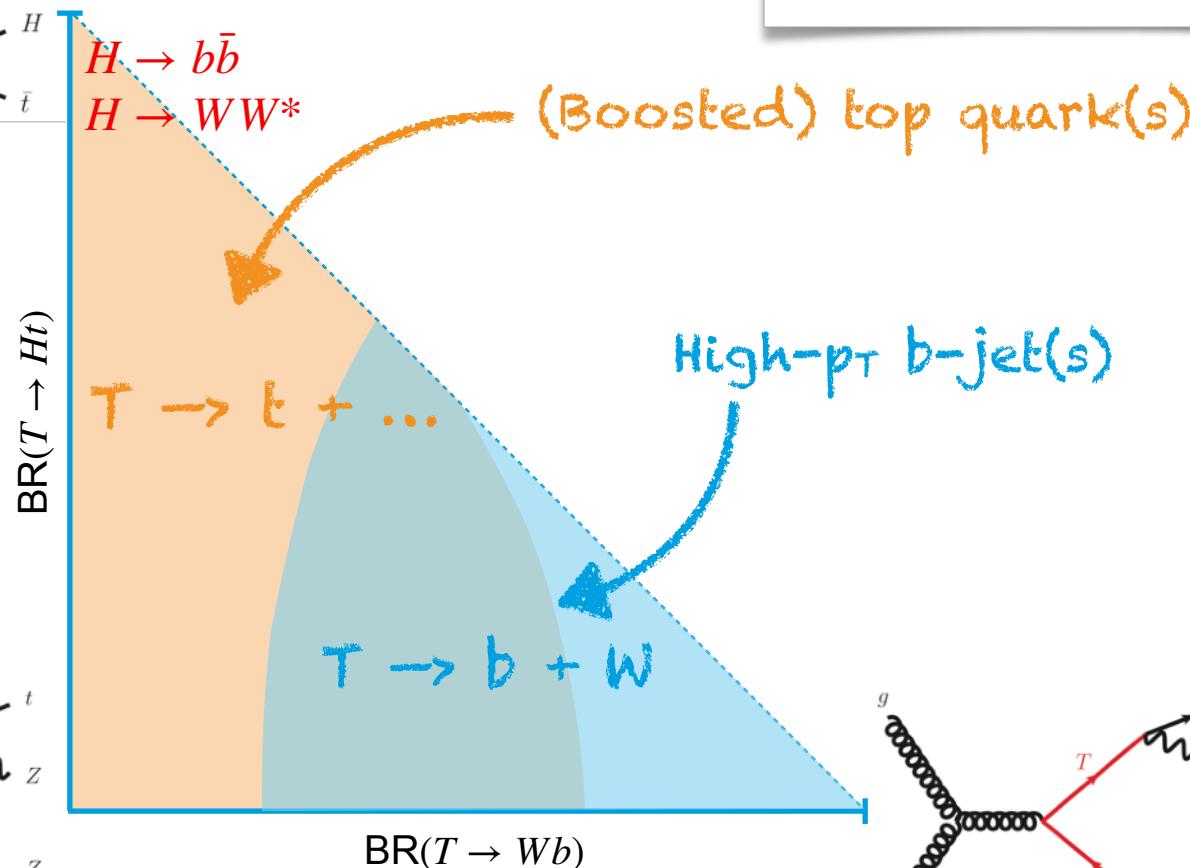
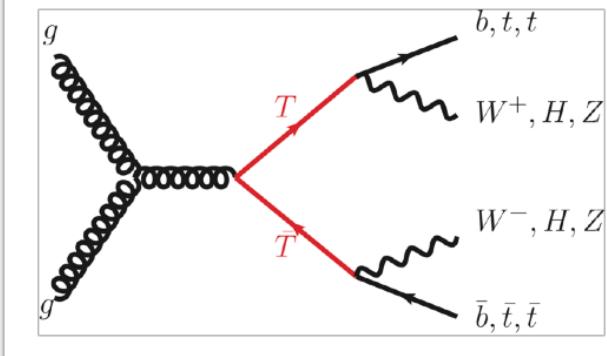
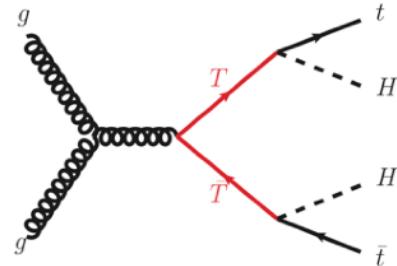
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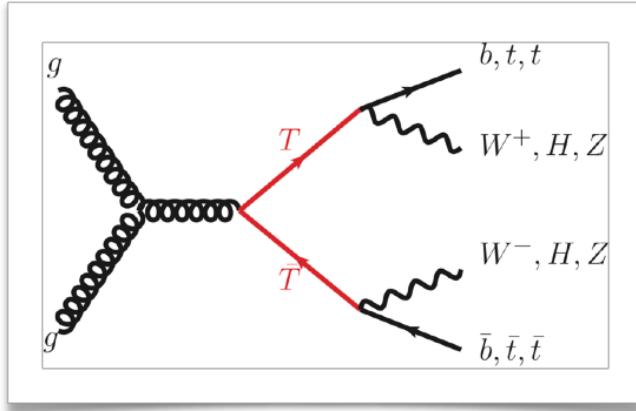
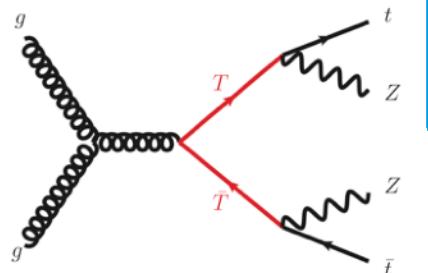
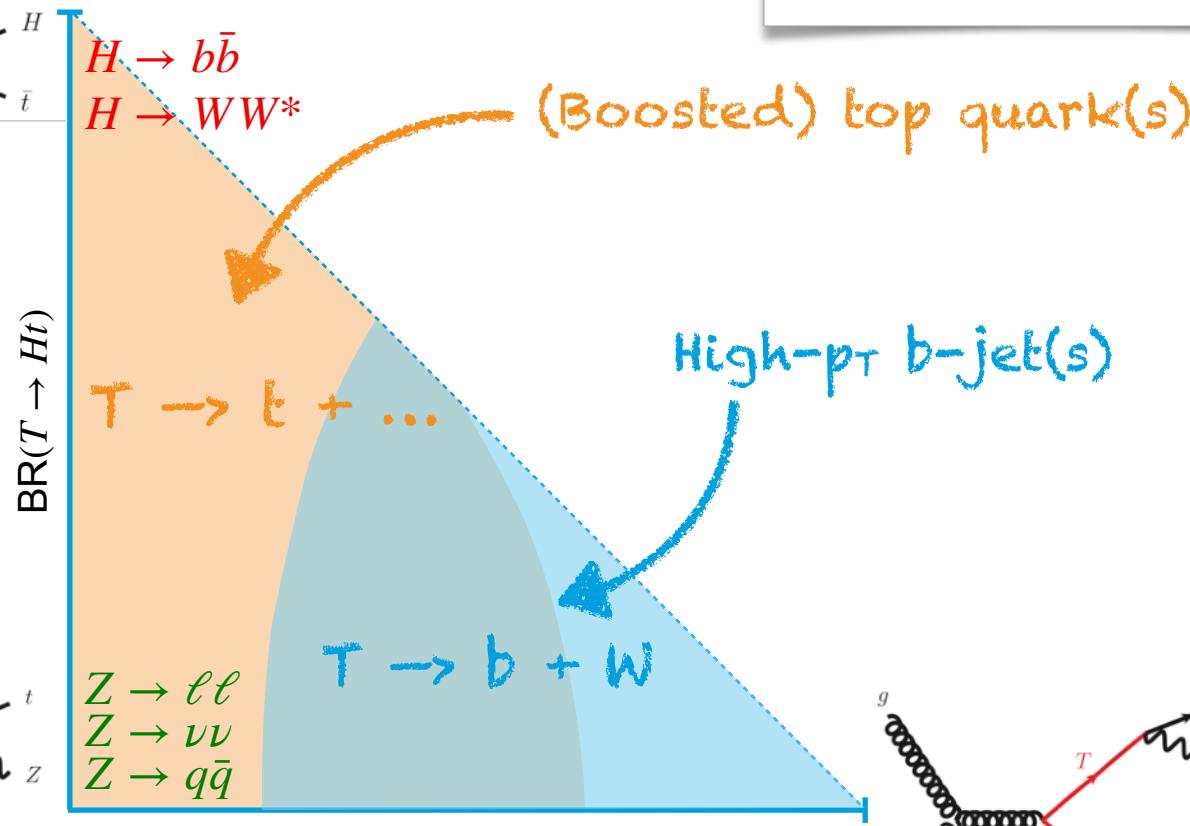
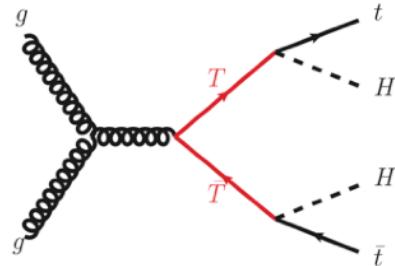
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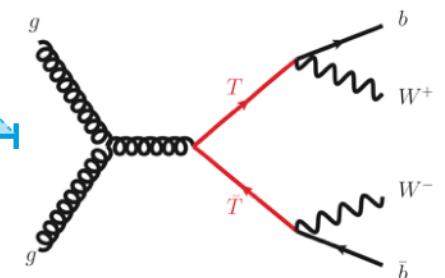
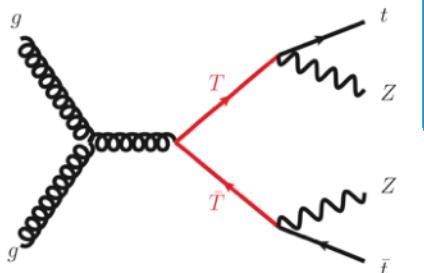
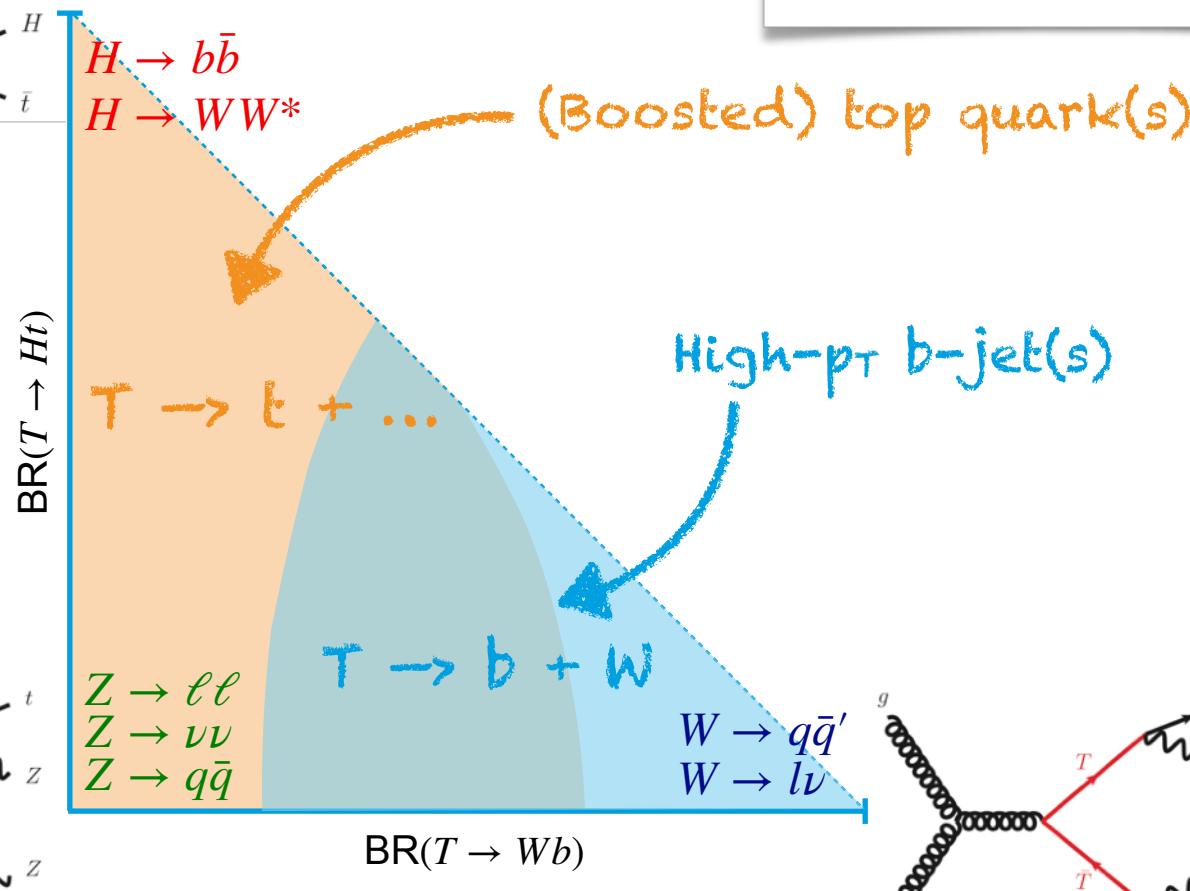
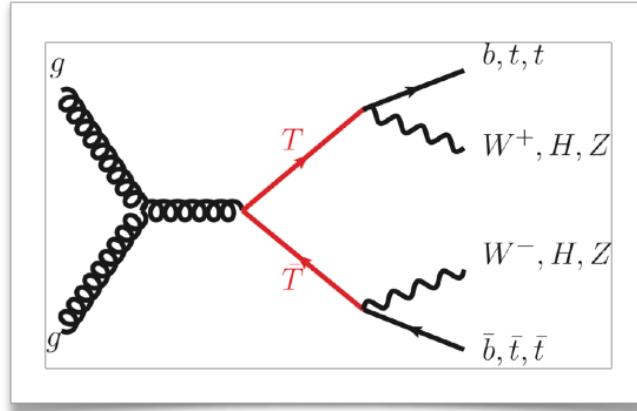
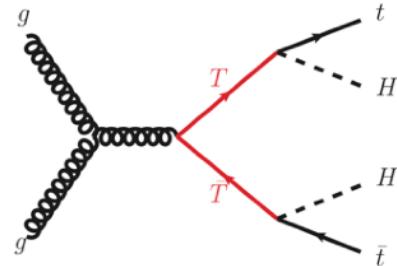
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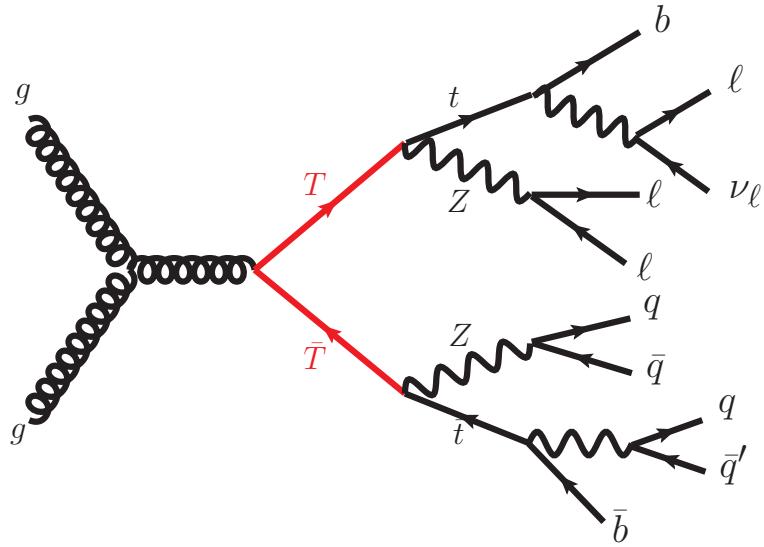


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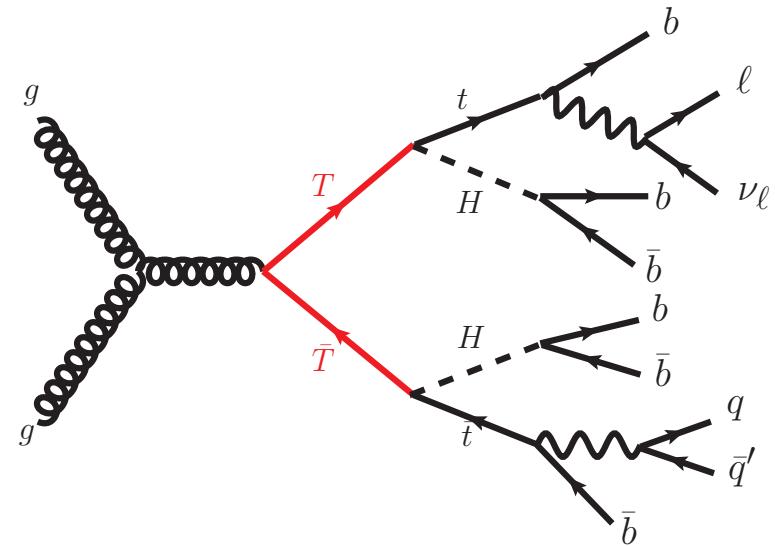
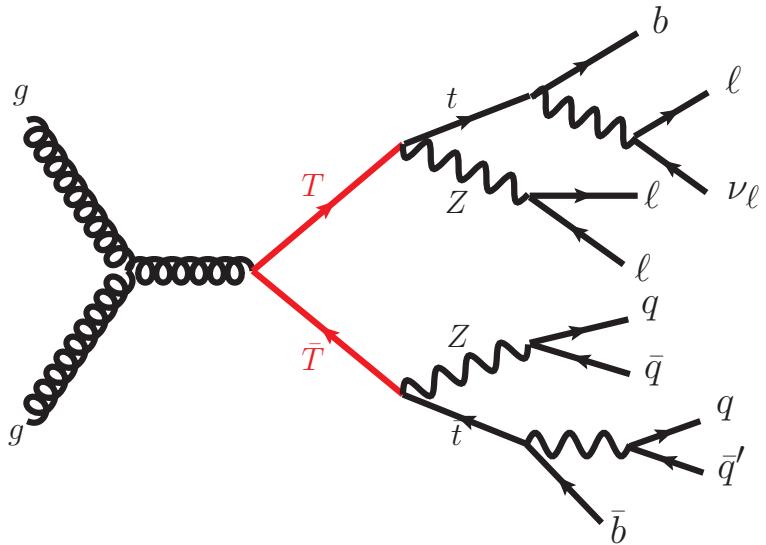
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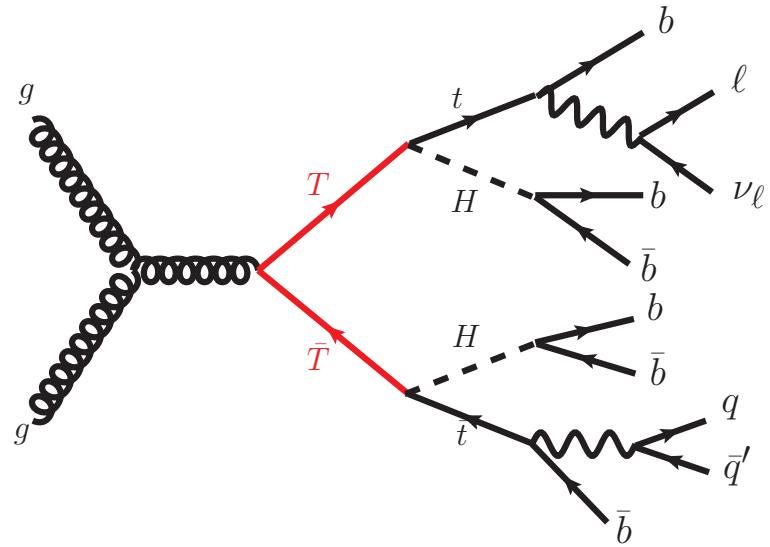
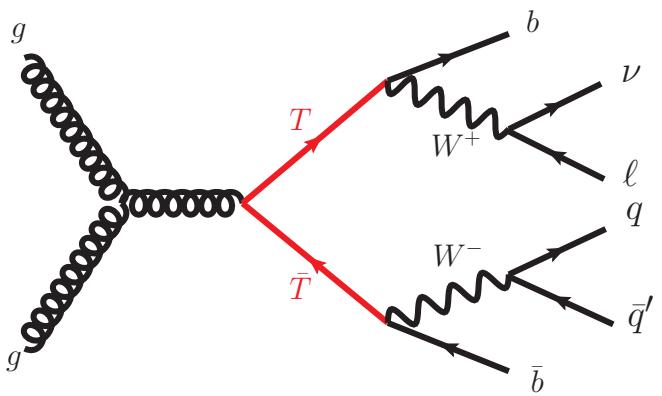
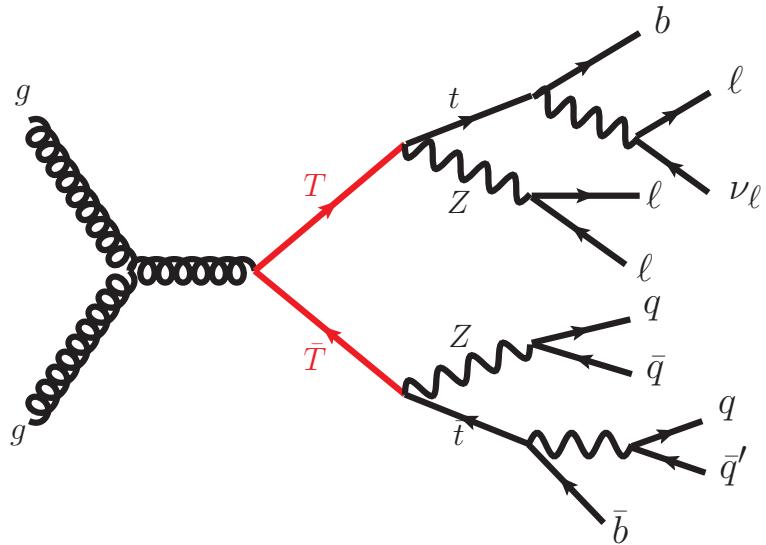
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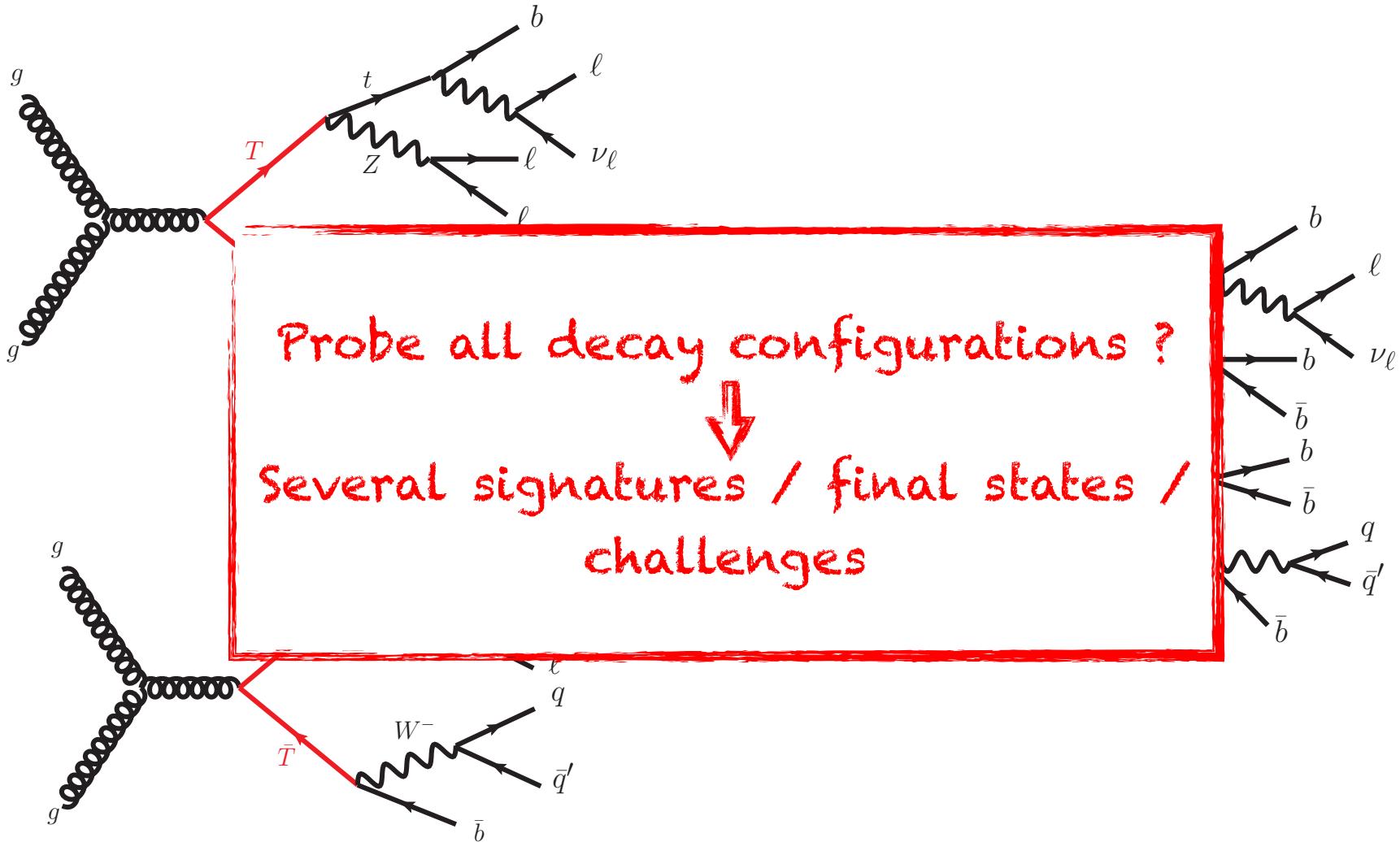
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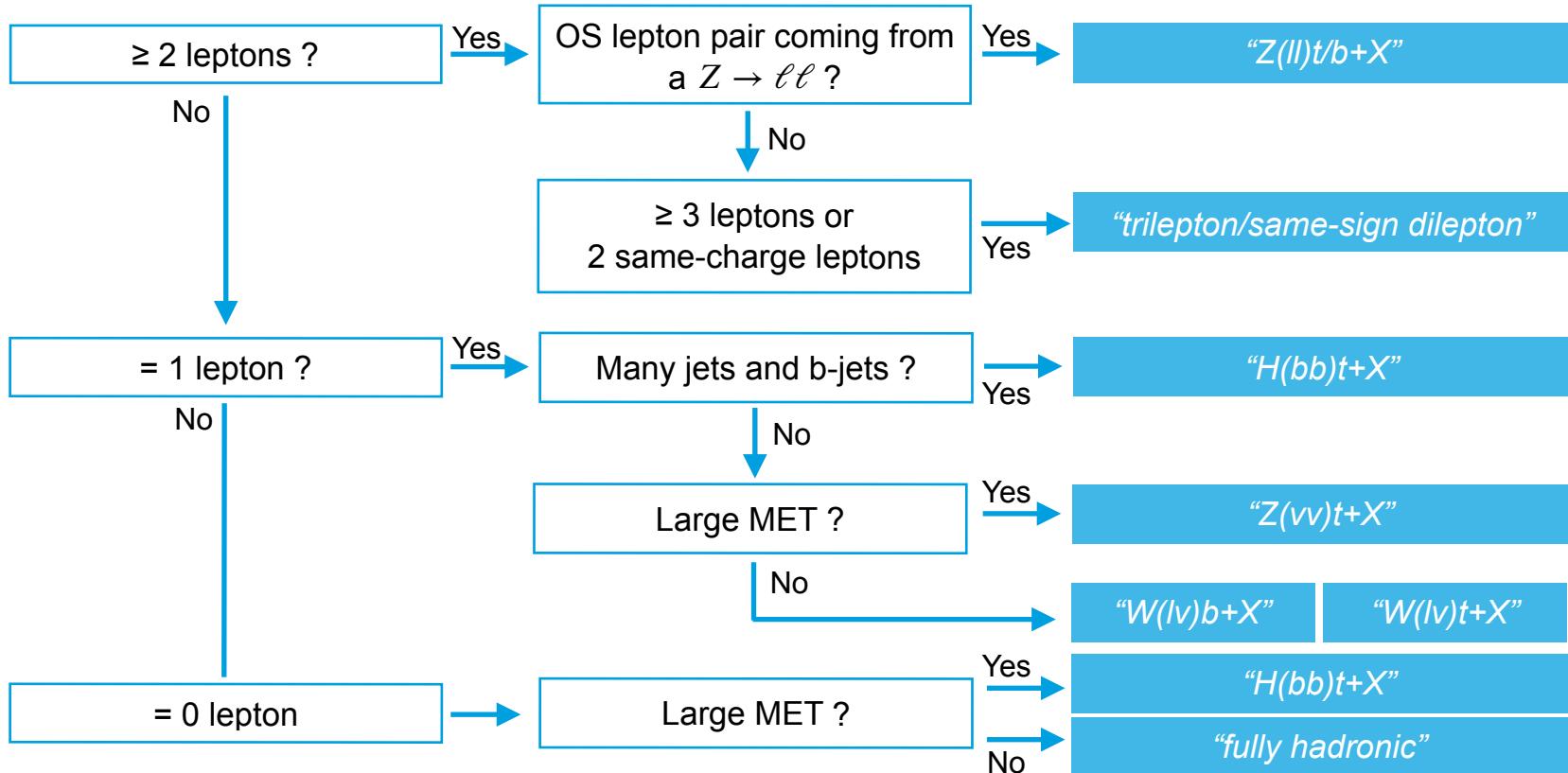
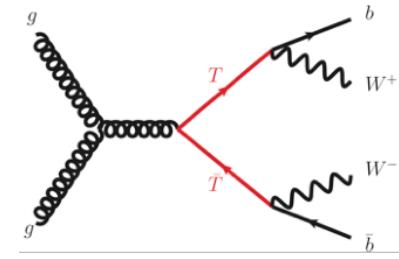
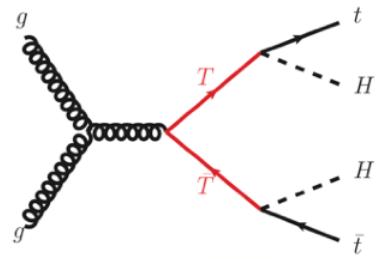
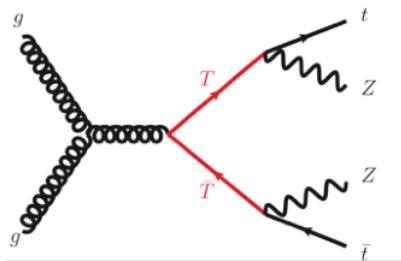


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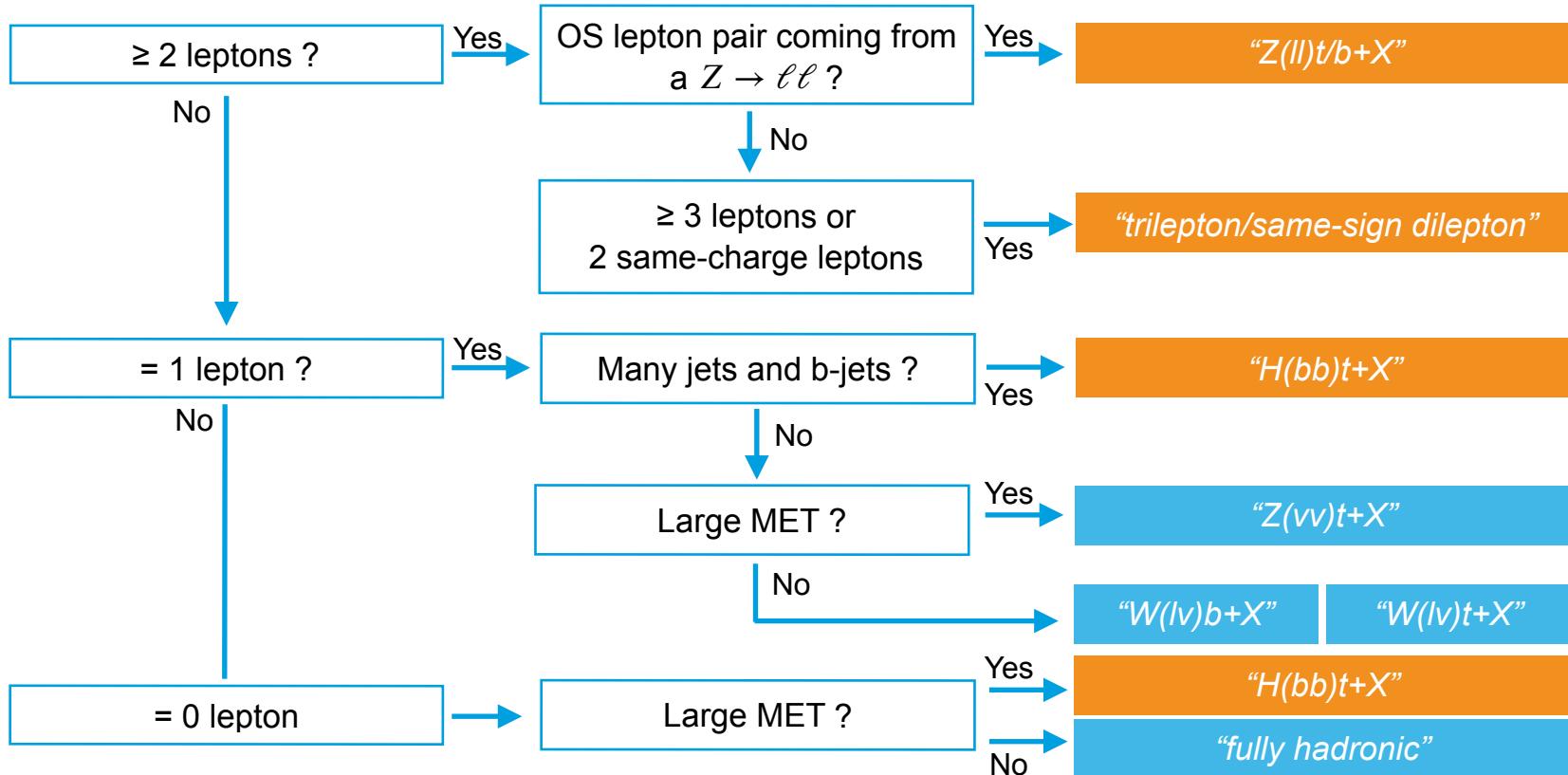
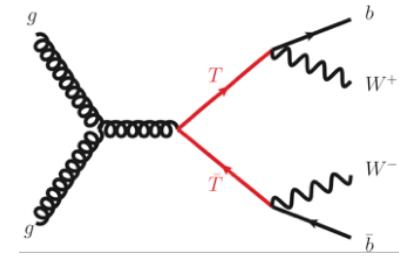
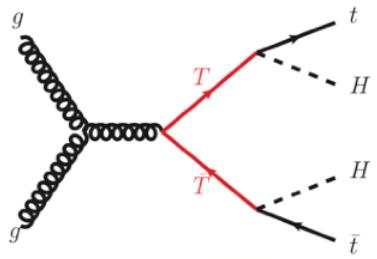
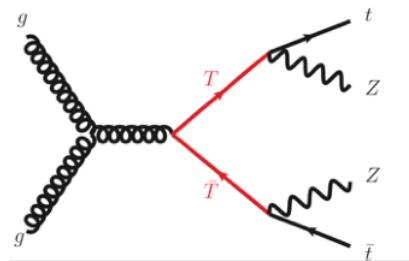
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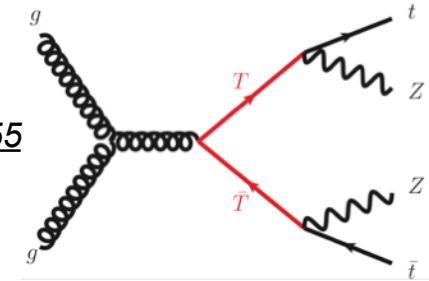


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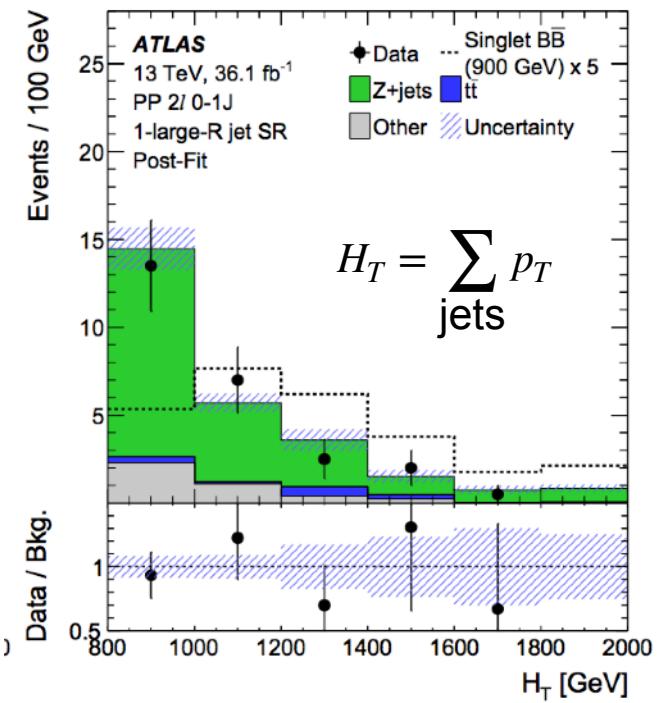
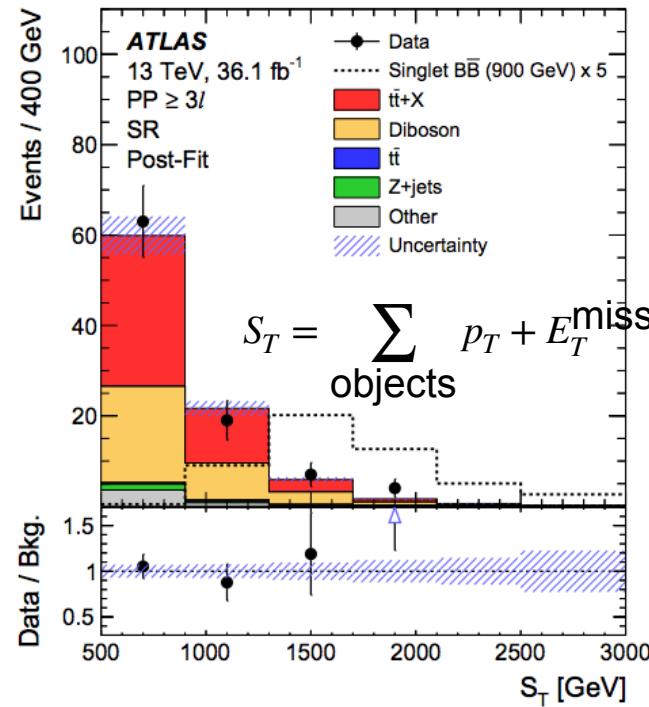
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[arXiv:1806.10555](https://arxiv.org/abs/1806.10555)

Accepted by JHEP



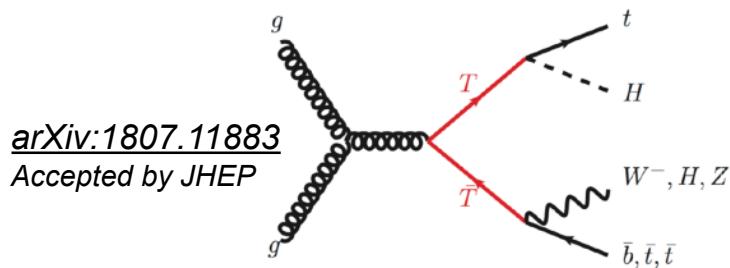
- Selects **high- $p_T$   $Z \rightarrow l\bar{l}$**  events in dilepton / trilepton events
  - sub-channels depending on  $N_{\text{leptons}}$  and  $N_{\text{boosted tops}}$  (4 signal regions)
  - 3-lepton channel: **most sensitive**
- Main backgrounds:**  $t\bar{t}+V$ , diboson, depending on SR (calibrated in data)



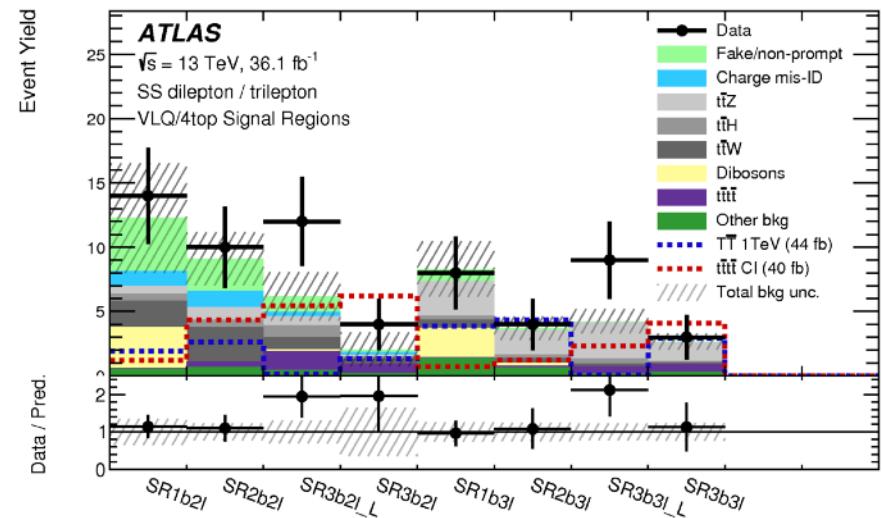
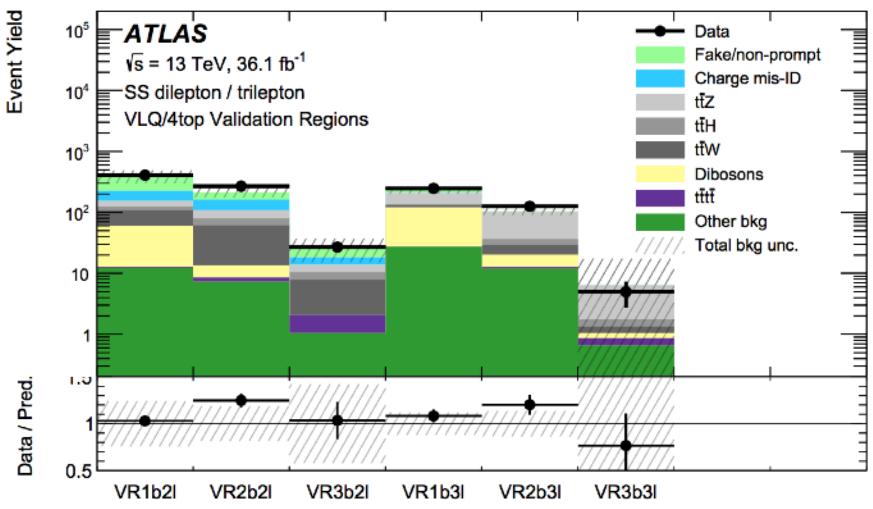
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## Same-sign leptons

- Selects **same-sign dilepton** and non-Z **trilepton** events
  - typically from  $T \rightarrow Ht \rightarrow WW^*$   $t$  or  $BB \rightarrow WtWt$  decays
  - signal regions: depending on  $N_{\text{leptons}}$ ,  $N_{\text{b-jets}}$ , kinematic cuts
- Main backgrounds:** fake/non-prompt leptons, charge mis-measurement,  $t\bar{t}+V$ 
  - validated in dedicated regions



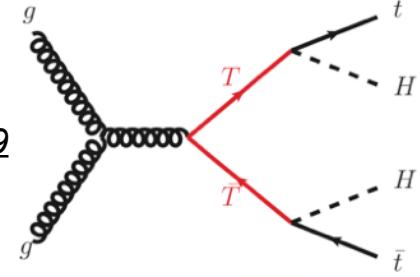
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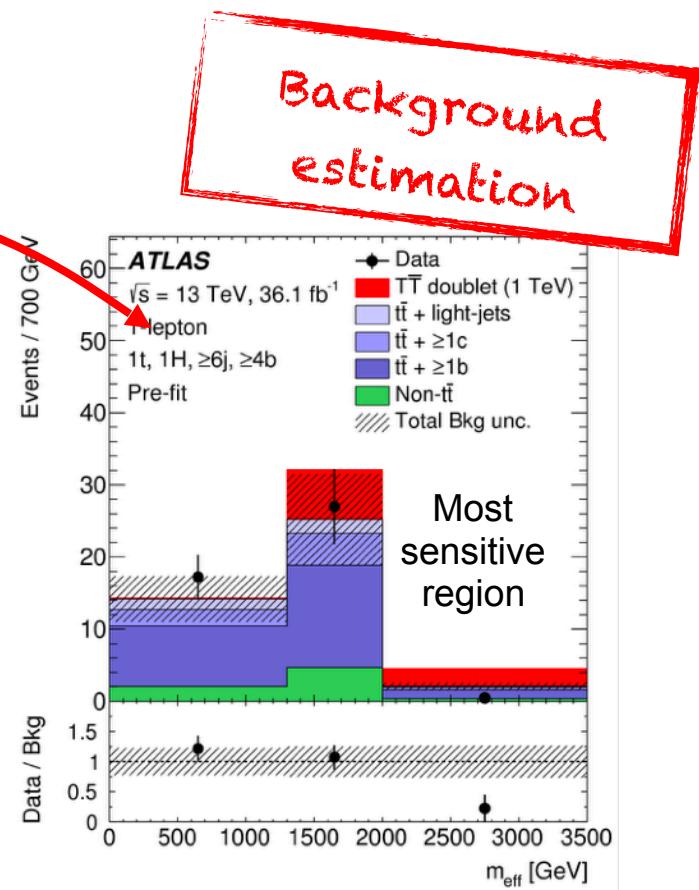
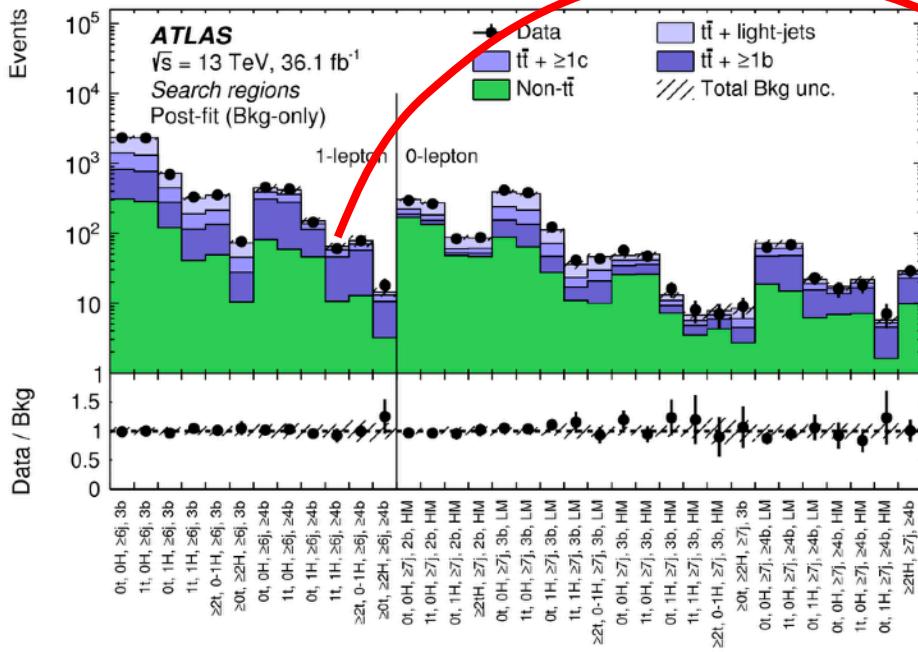
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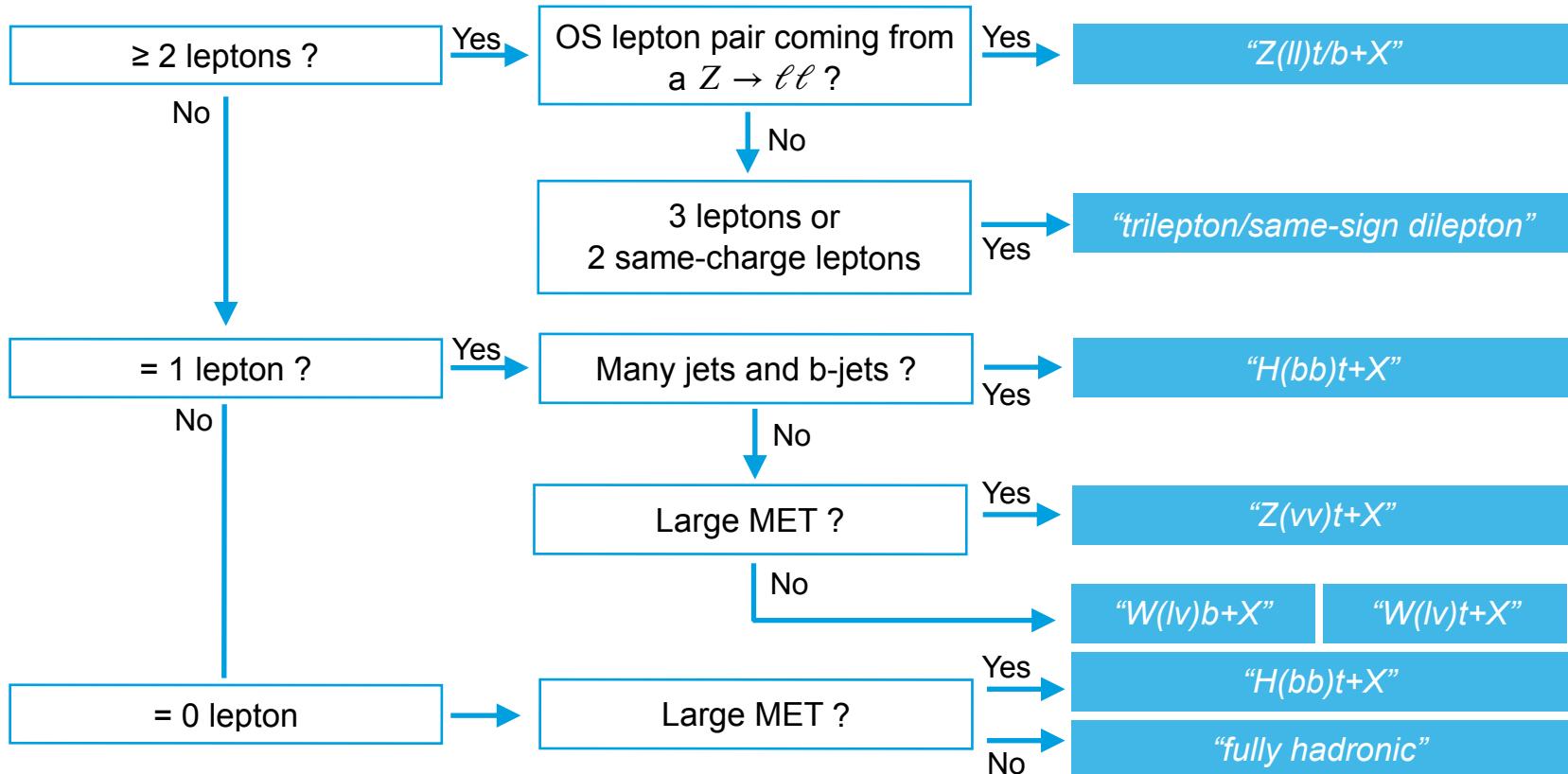
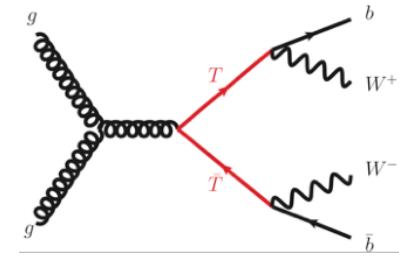
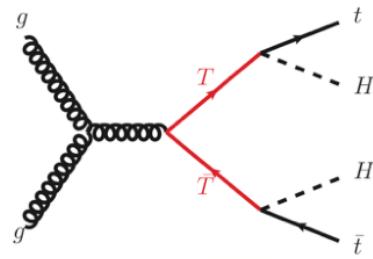
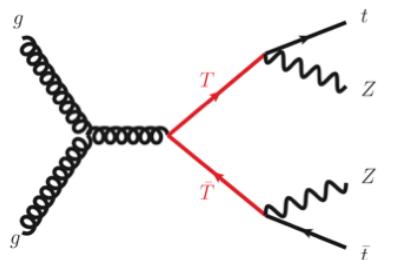


- Selects **high-p<sub>T</sub> top quarks / Higgs bosons** in 1-lepton/0-lepton (high-MET) events
  - sub-channels depending on N<sub>leptons</sub>, N<sub>tops</sub>, N<sub>Higgs</sub>, N<sub>b-jets</sub> (34 signal regions)
- Main background:** t̄t + ≥1b (calibrated in data)



$$m_{\text{eff}} = \sum_{\text{objects}} p_T + E_T^{\text{miss}}$$

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## Sensitivity

▪▪▪ Exp. exclusion

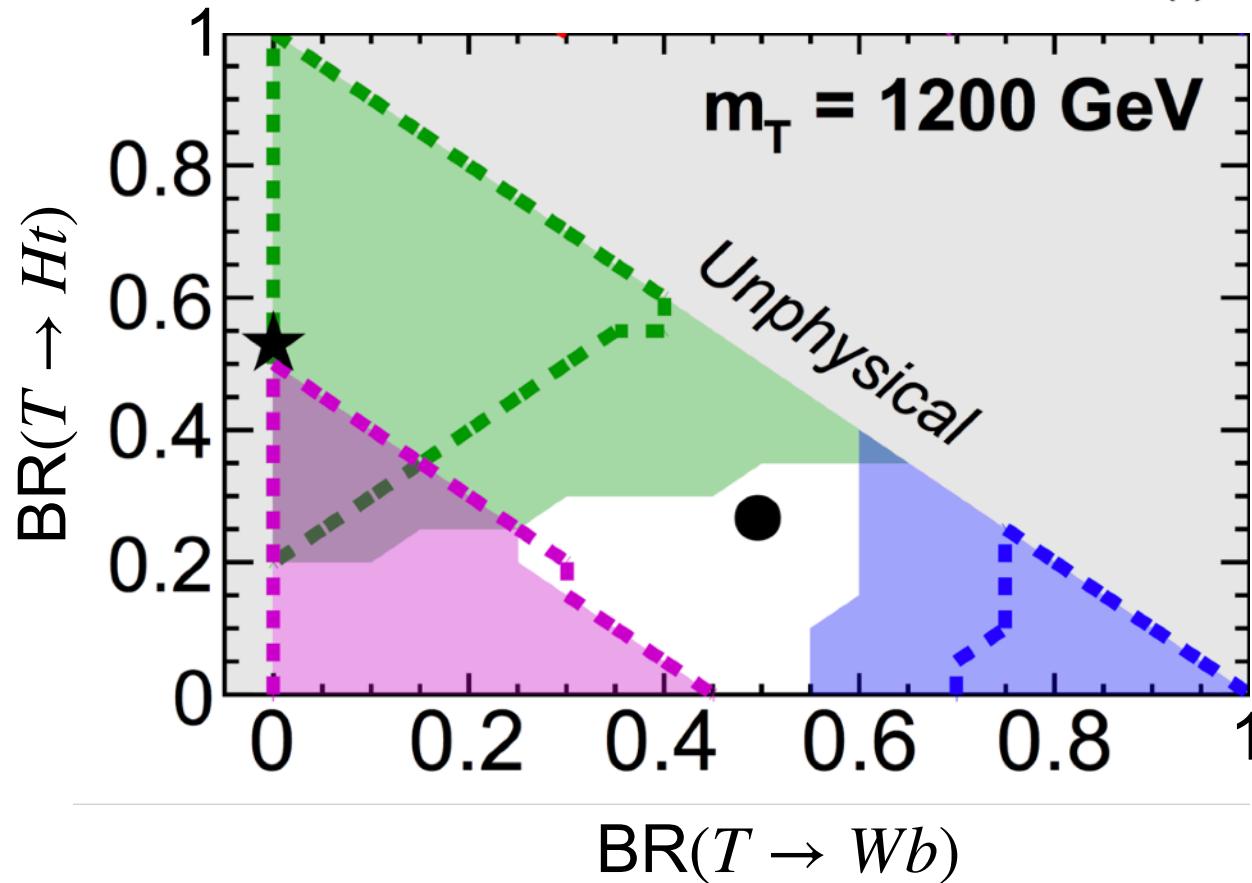


Obs. exclusion

— W(lν)b+X [arXiv:1707.03347]

— H(bb)t+X [arXiv:1803.09678]

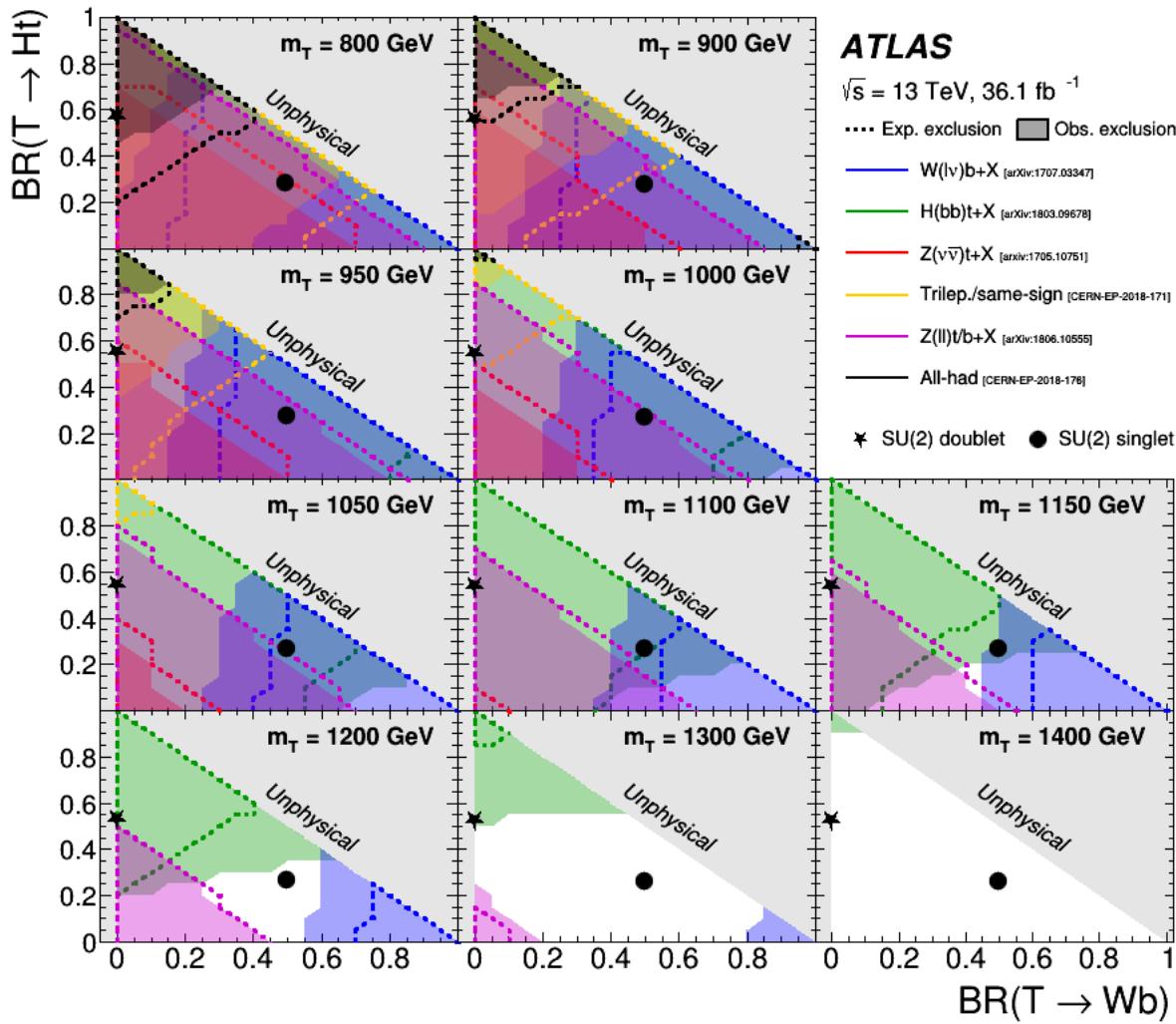
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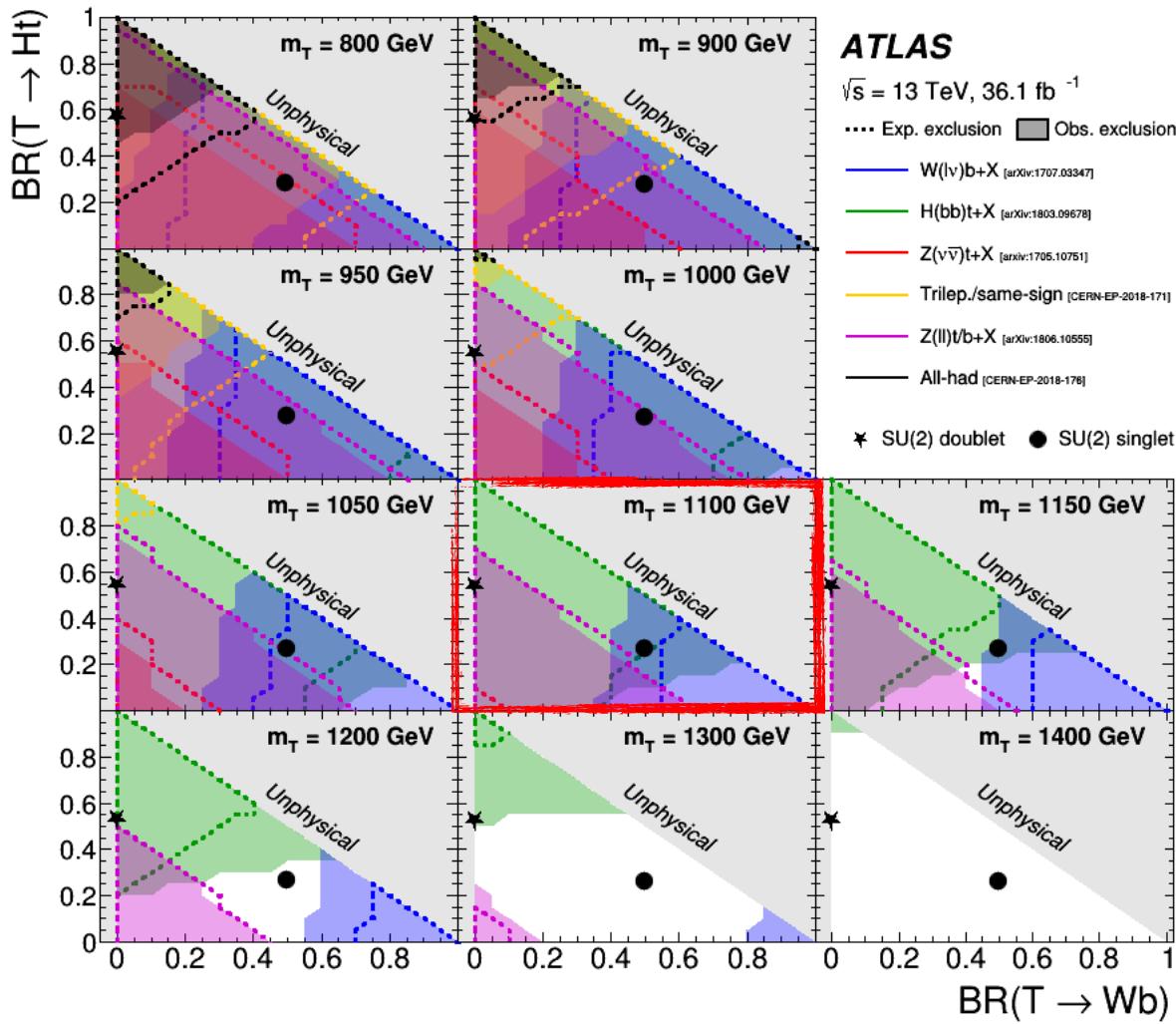


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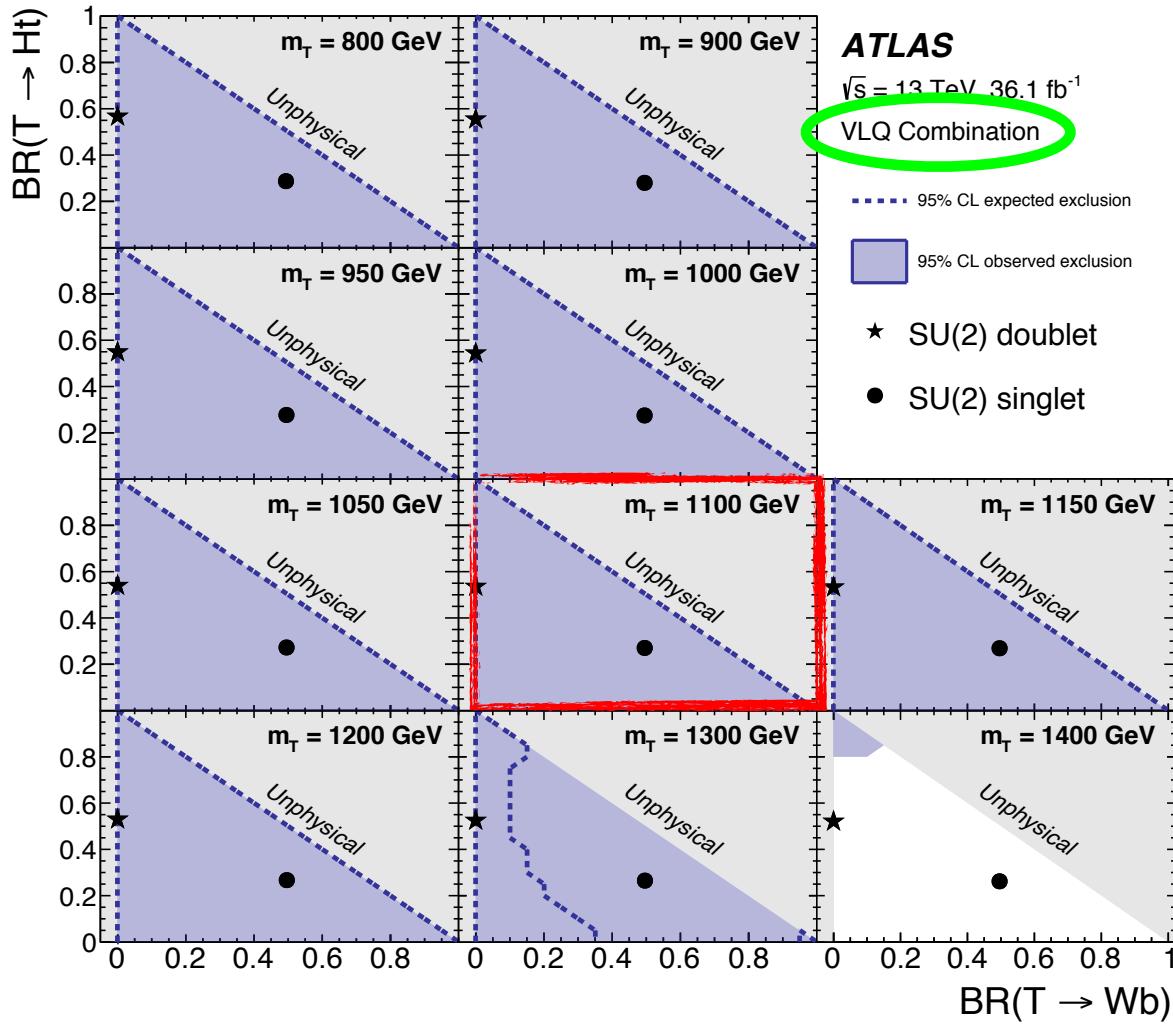


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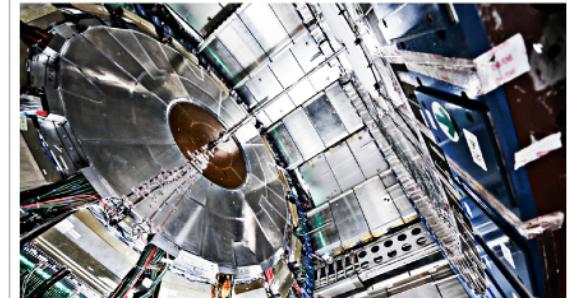
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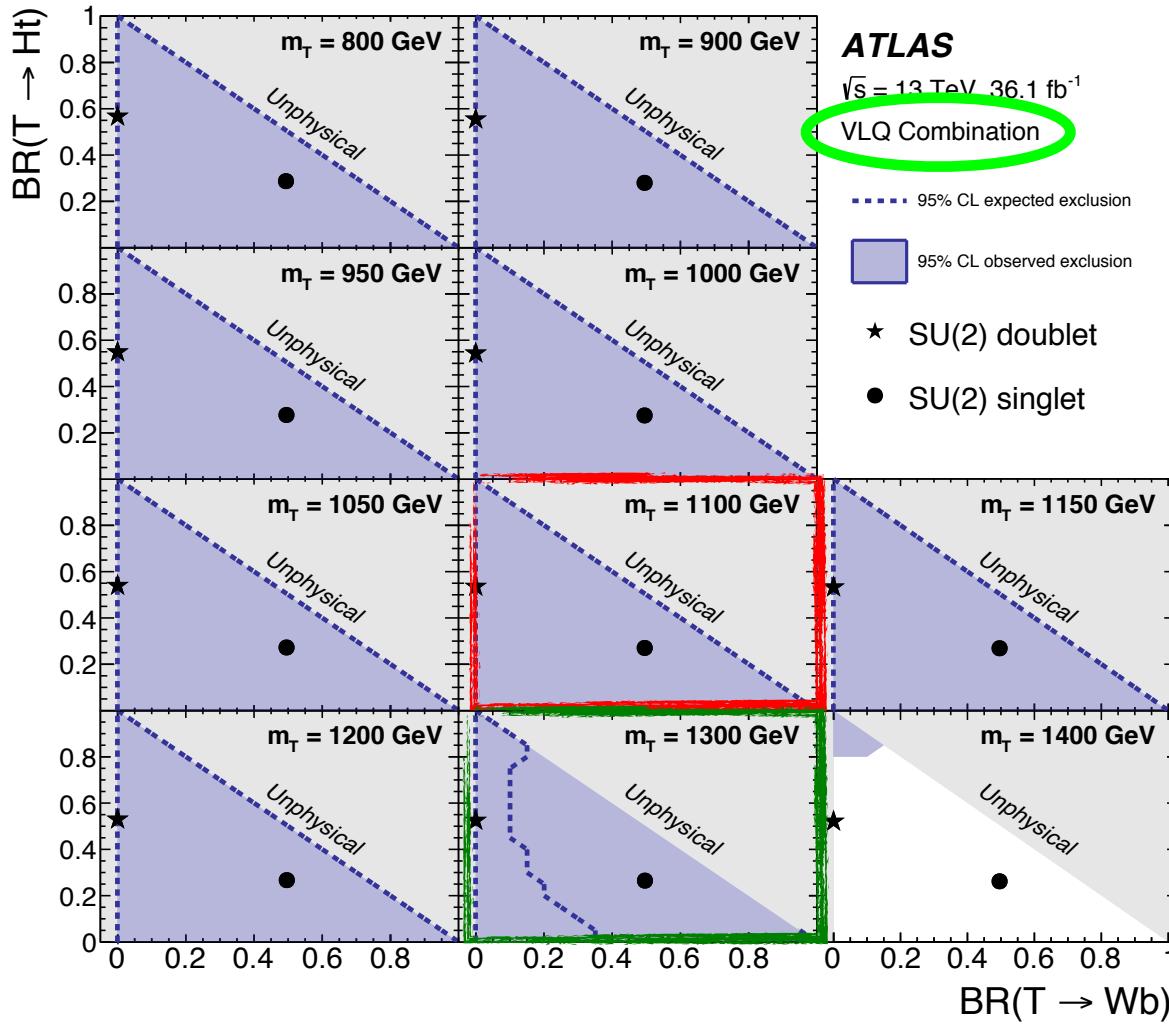
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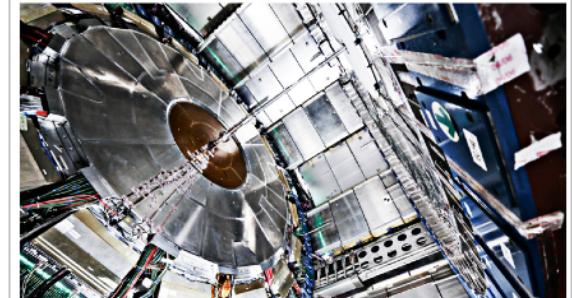
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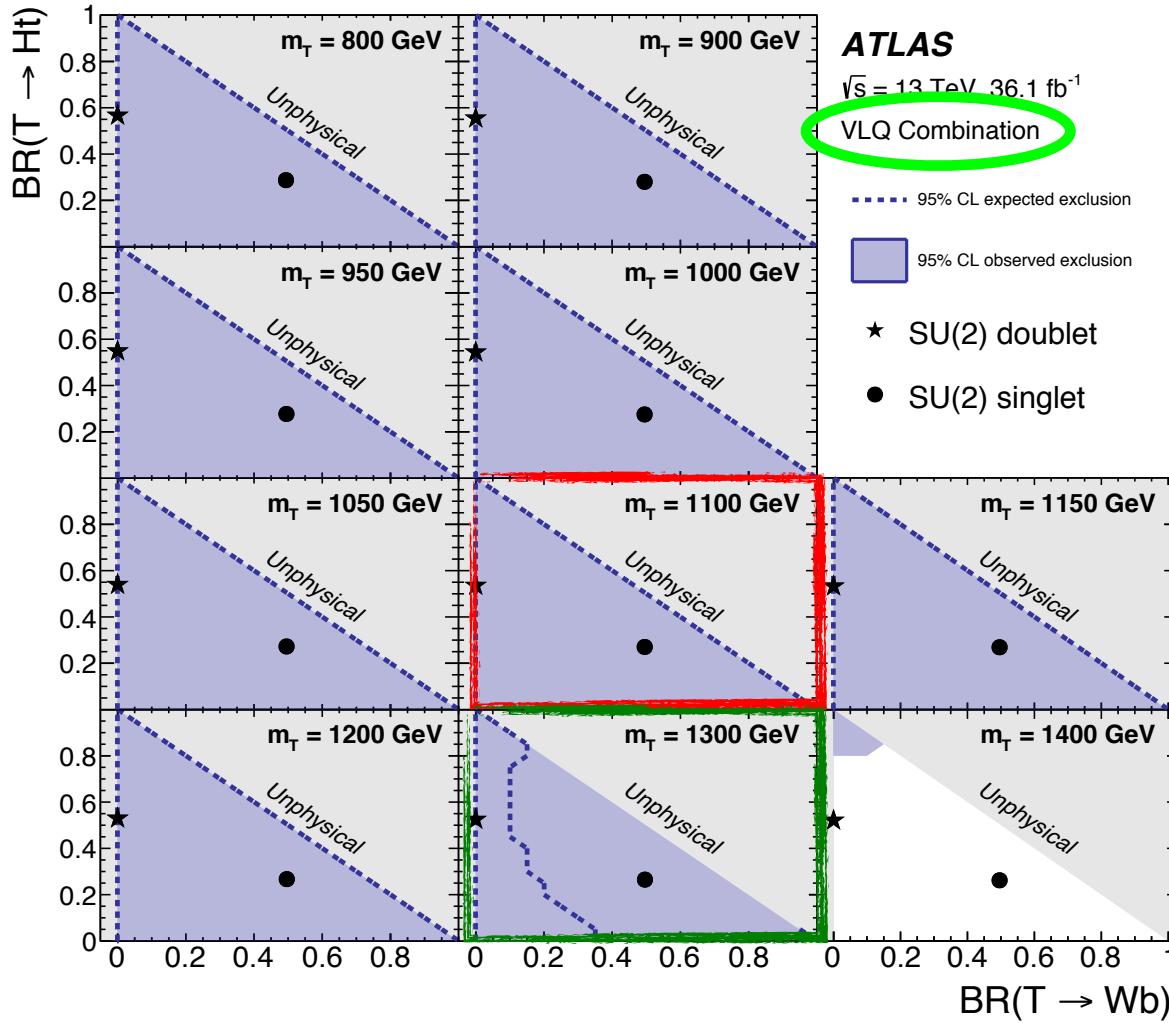
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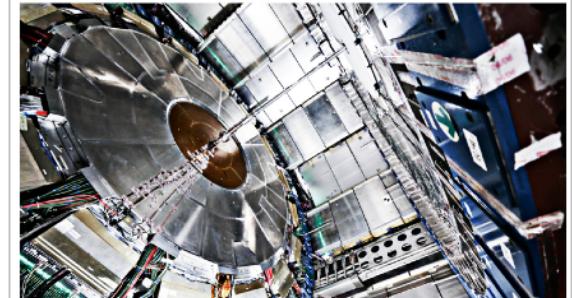
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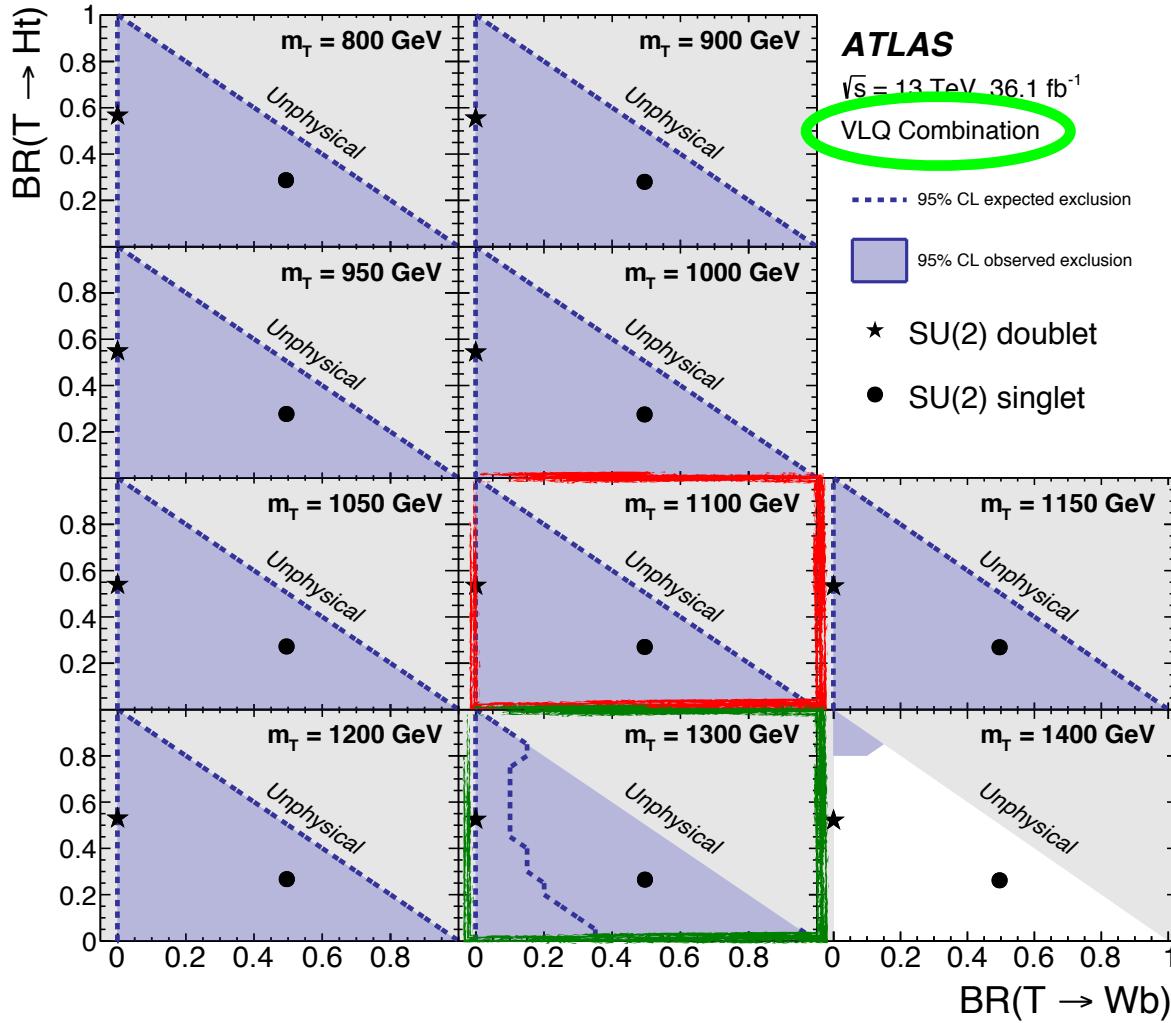
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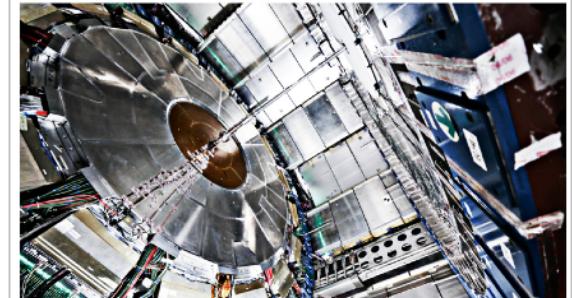
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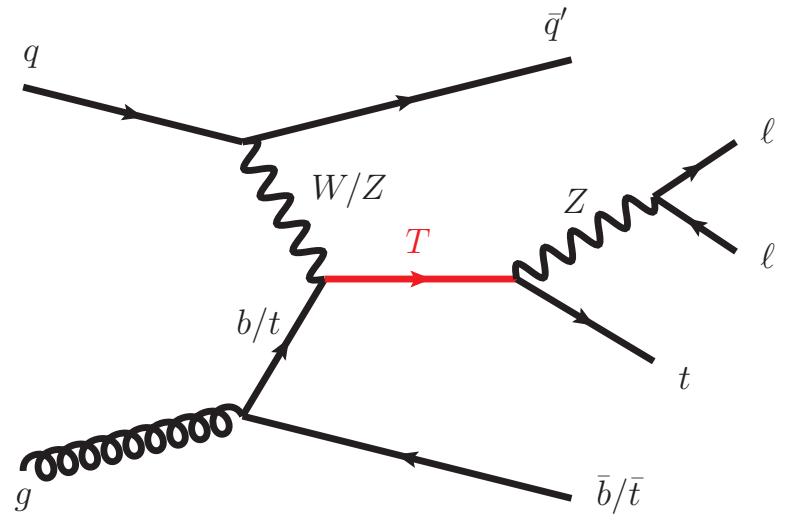
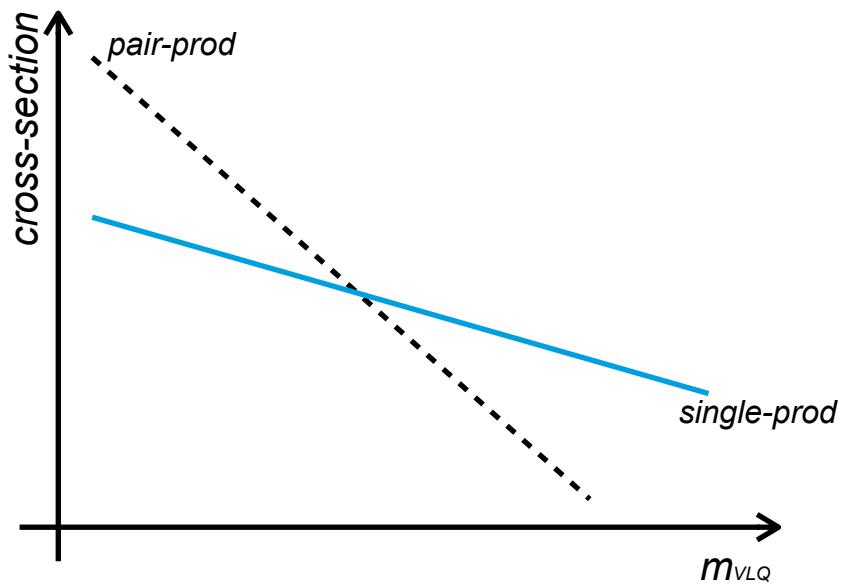
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Look for high mass VLQ: single-production !

# Single-production searches

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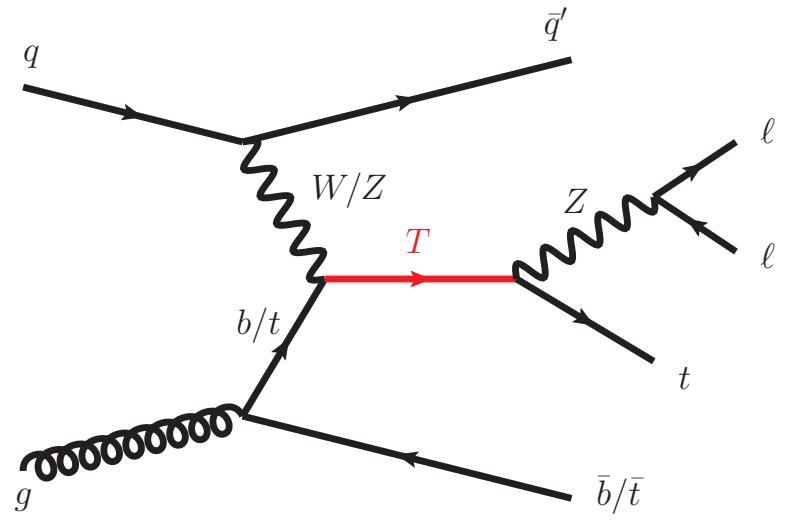
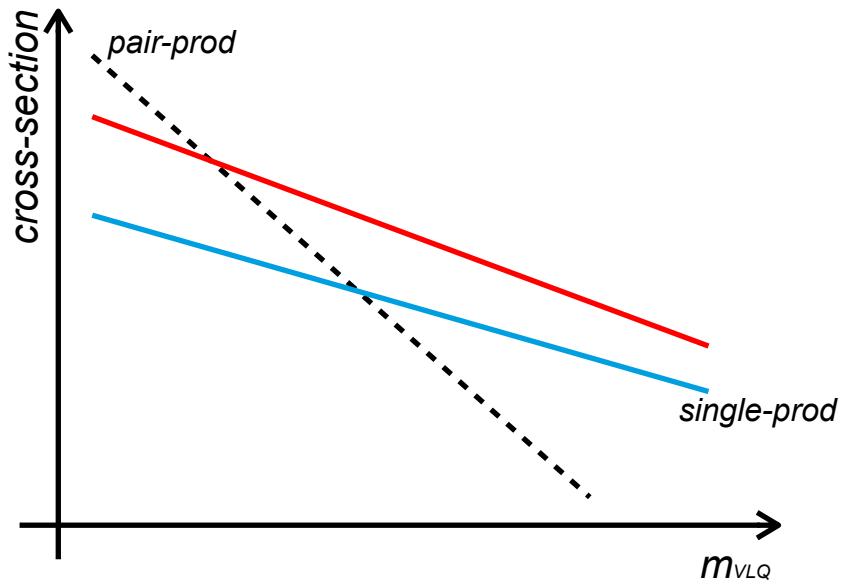
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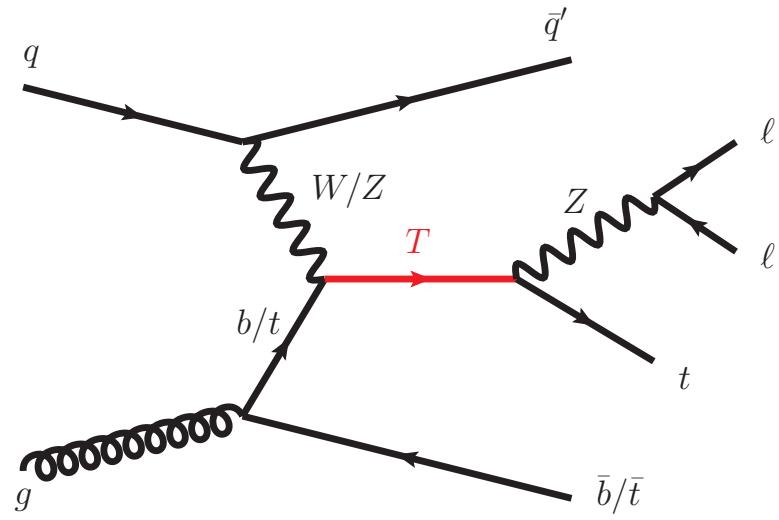
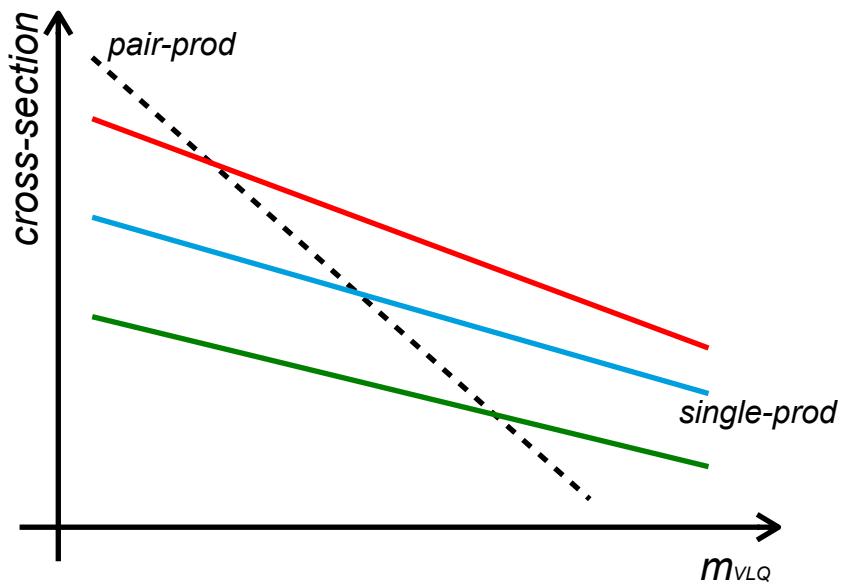
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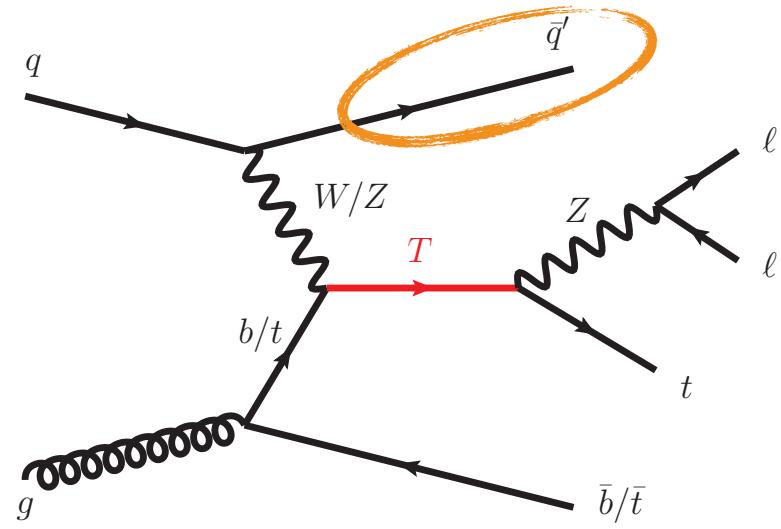
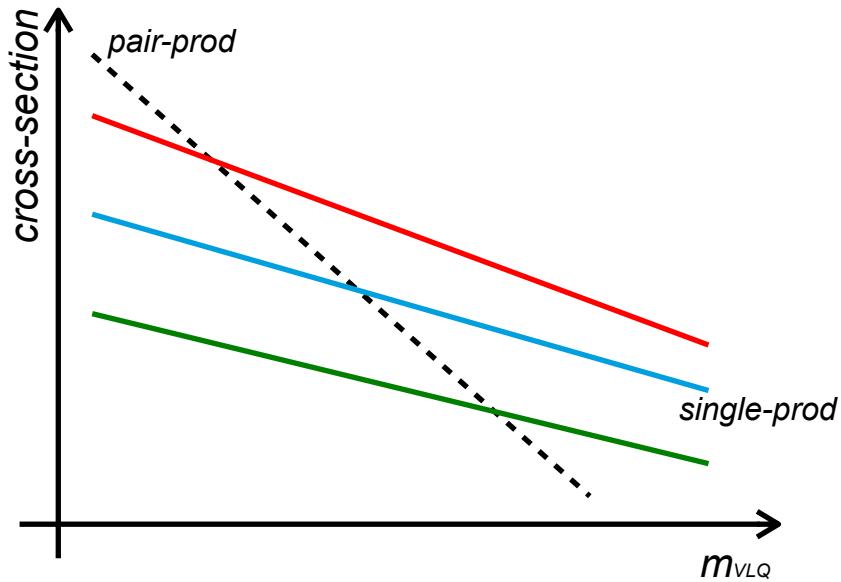
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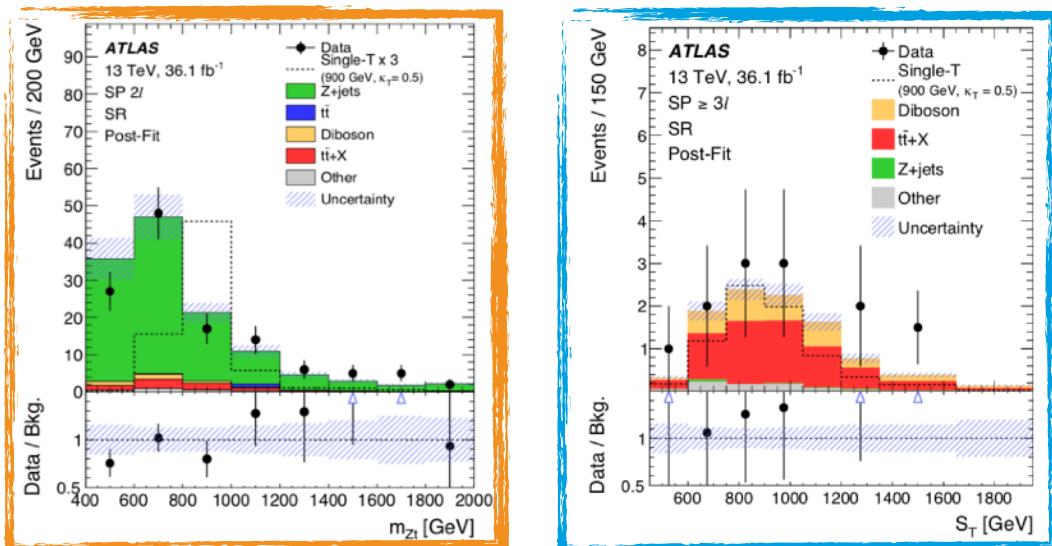
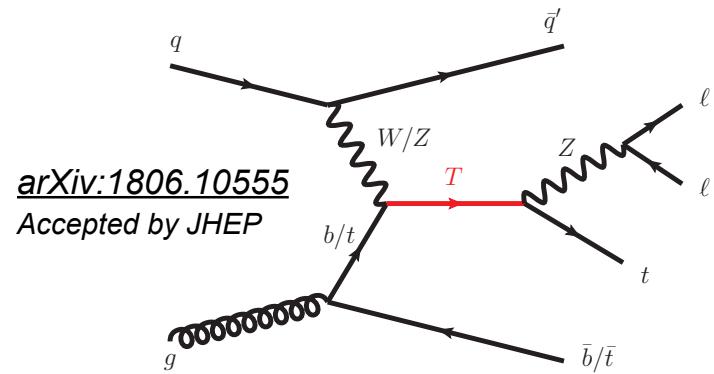
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- **Event properties** different wrt pair-production
  - Less busy final state **but forward jet**



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Single  $T/B \rightarrow Z(\ell\ell)t/b$

- Selects **high- $p_T$   $Z \rightarrow \ell\ell$**  events
  - *dilepton*: presence of a **top-tagged jet** → **full VLQ reconstruction**
  - *trilepton*: ambiguity in reconstruction → **use kinematic variable**
- Main background:  $Z+jets$  or  $t\bar{t}+V$

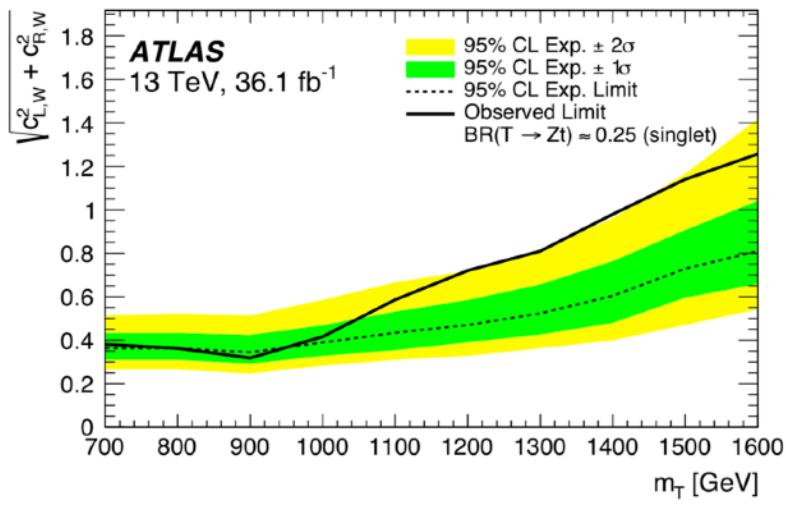
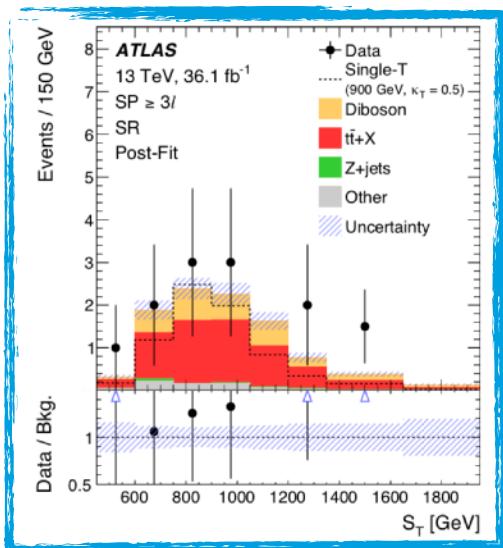
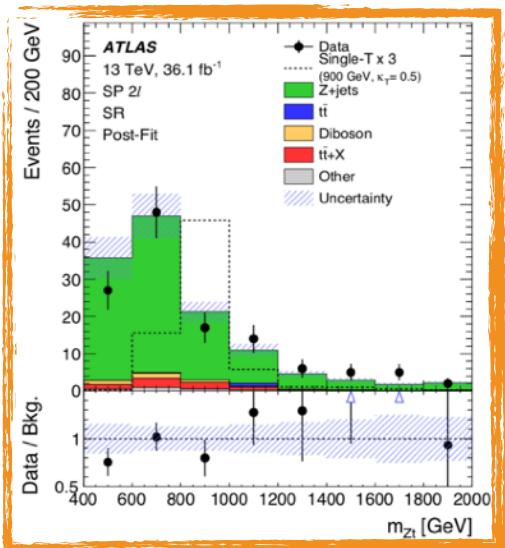


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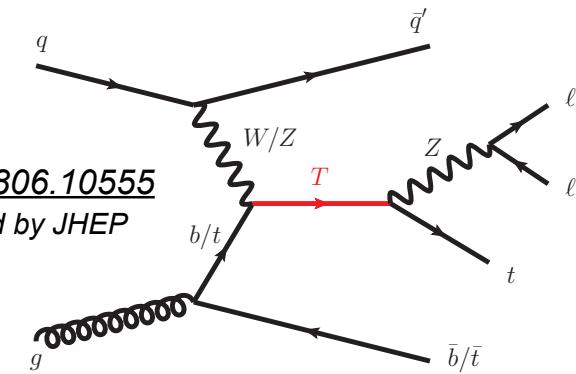
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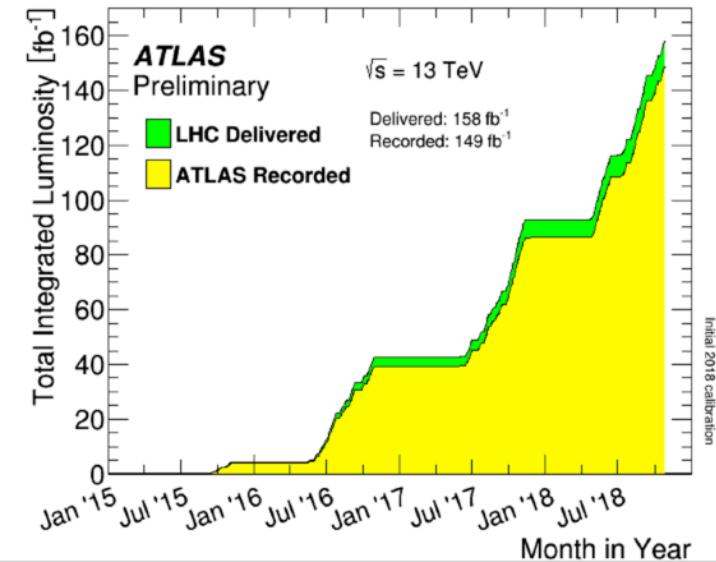
# VLQ searches: next steps ?

- For all VLQ searches: sensitivity **limited by statistics**
- Excellent coverage in **pair-production** → low-mass VLQs strongly constrained
  - Combination significantly extends sensitivity !
- Single-production **more and more relevant**: several studies underway !
  - Quite challenging to interpret in a “model-independent” manner
- More complete models ? Exotics decays ?



# Summary

- Top quark: ideal to **probe several new theories extending Standard Model**
- **Heavy resonances** decaying to top quarks and **vector-like quarks**
  - Thoroughly searched for by ATLAS in several (new) channels
  - Challenging experimental final states
  - No signs of new particles (yet) → strong **constraints** on many BSM theories
- Sensitivity mostly **limited by statistics**
  - Will benefit from new data coming from LHC ...
  - ... and increase of signal acceptance !
- **Stay tuned for full Run 2 results !**



# Thank you

## Contact

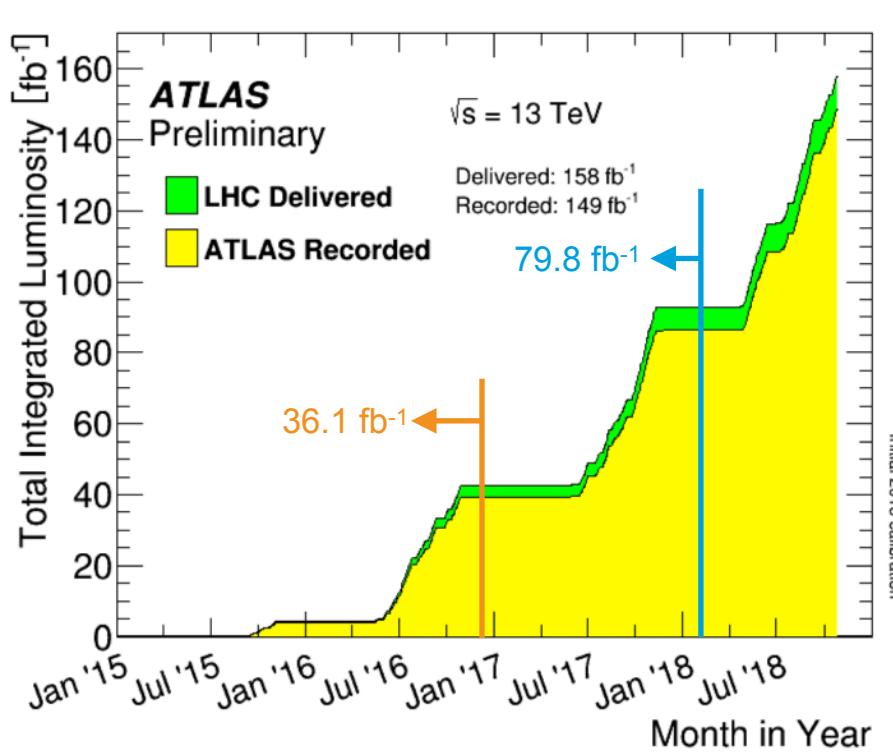
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# Backup

# LHC and luminosity

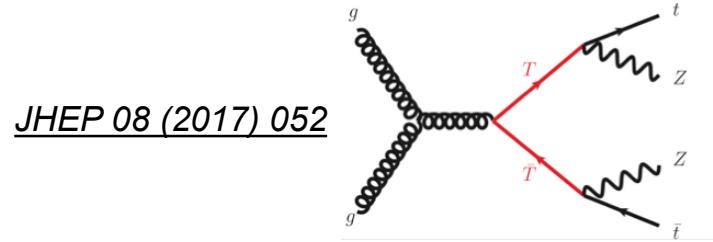
- New Physics events: **rare** and at **high energy**
- Searches using **Run 2 LHC data**
  - Centre-of-mass energy:  $\sqrt{s} = 13 \text{ TeV}$
  - Luminosity: **36.1 fb<sup>-1</sup>** or **79.8 fb<sup>-1</sup>**



# Pair-production searches

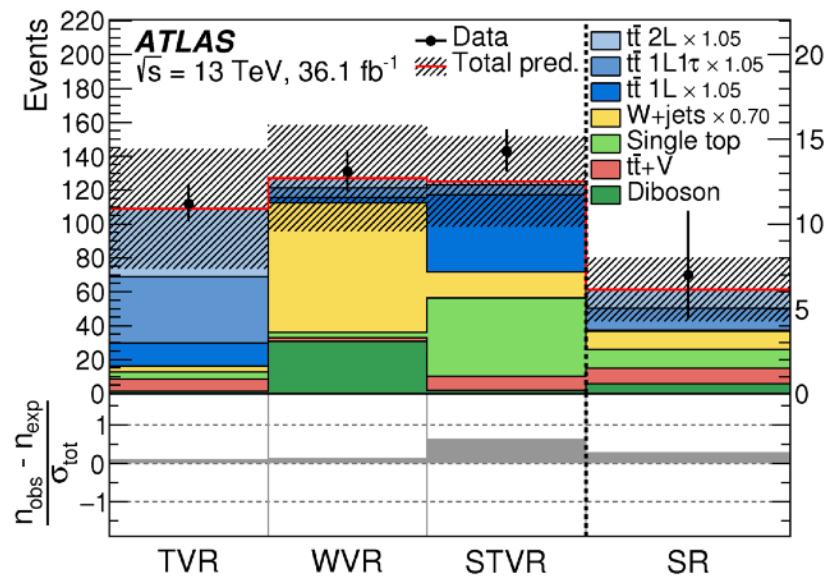
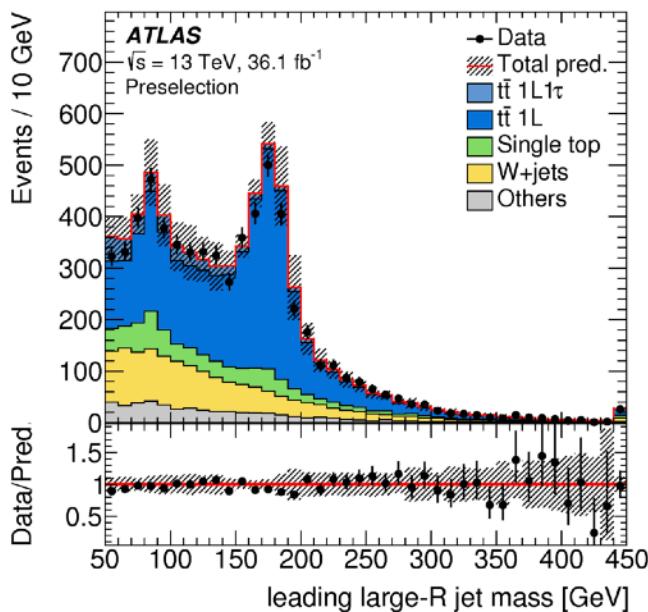
$Z(vv)t+X$

- Selects 1-lepton events with **large MET**
  - Selecting  $T \rightarrow Z(\nu\nu)t$  events
  - Jet-reclustering** to identify boosted top quarks
- Main backgrounds:** top background and W+jets (calibrated in data)



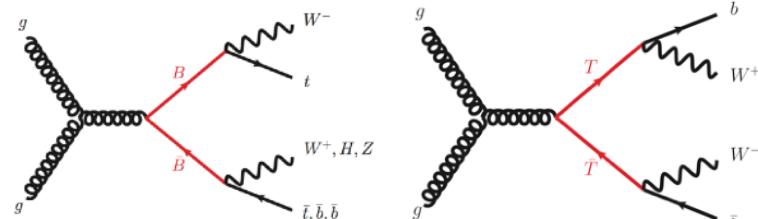
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**Hadronic top identification**



# Pair-production searches

Wb/t+X

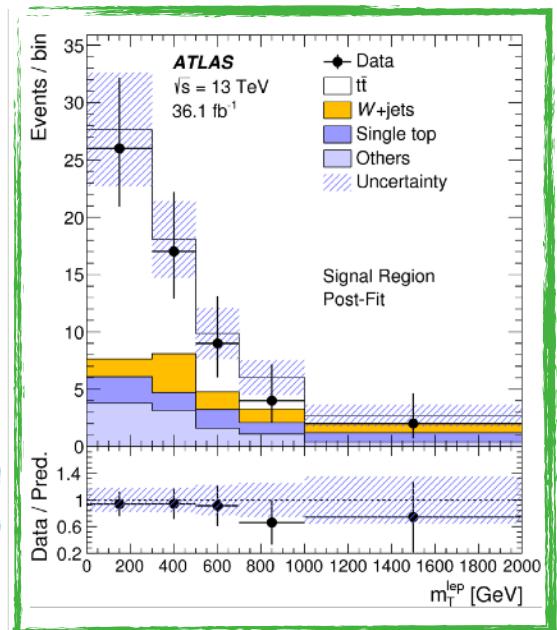
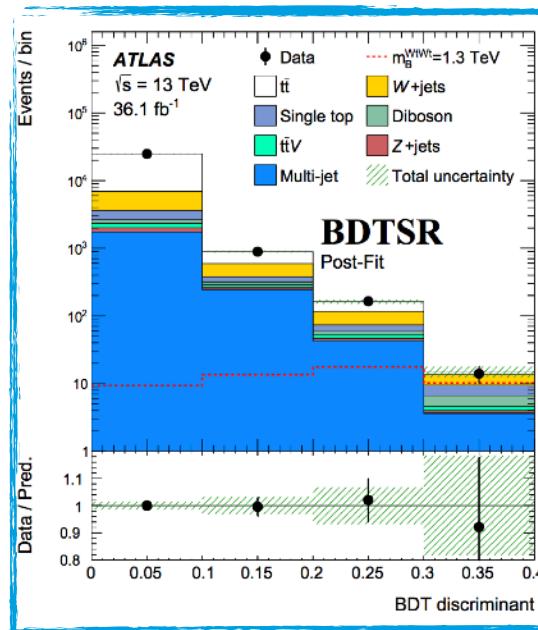
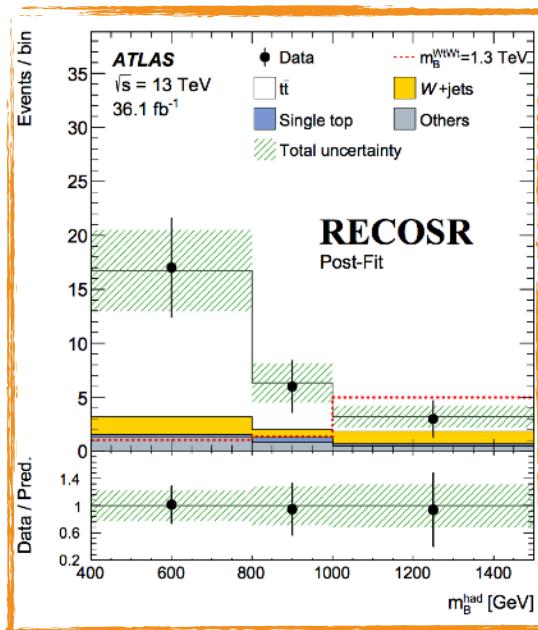


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- Select 1-lepton events with **high-p<sub>T</sub> hadronic W bosons**
  - BB → Wt+X: complex final state → **full reconstruction** otherwise **MVA strategy**
  - TT → Wb+X: reconstruct  $T \rightarrow Wb \rightarrow l\nu b$  mass
- Main background:** t̄t (calibrated in data)

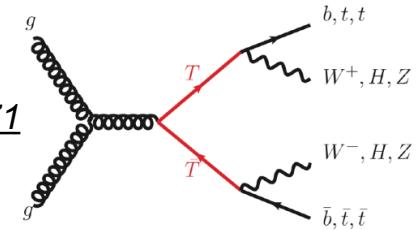
Event  
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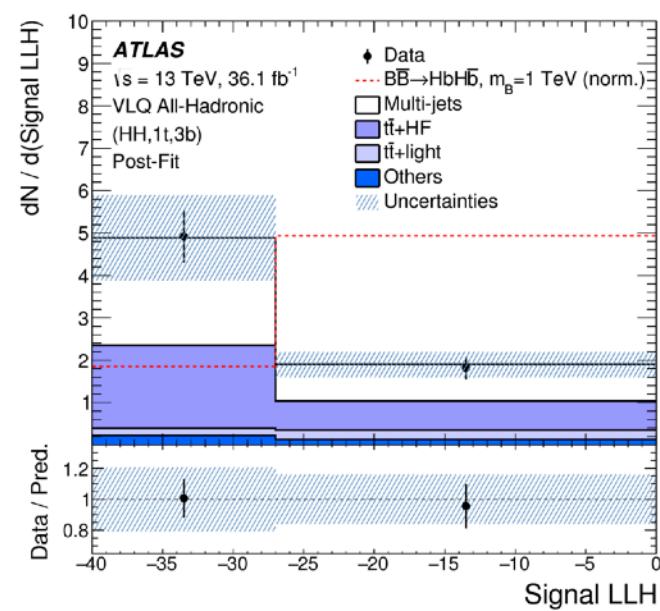
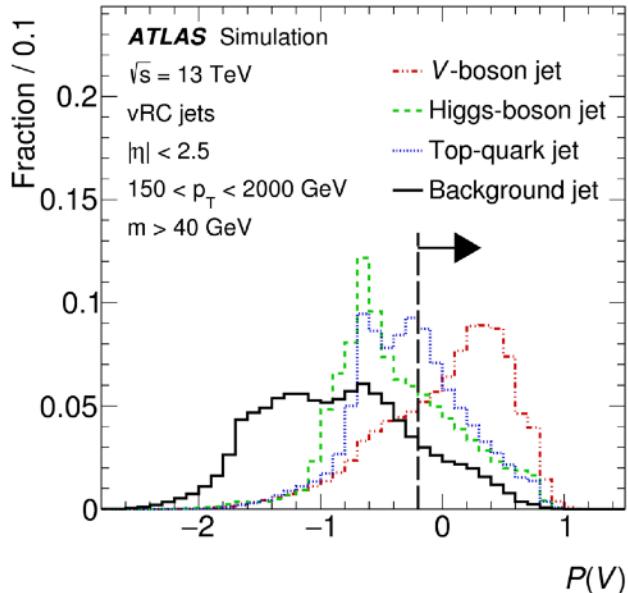
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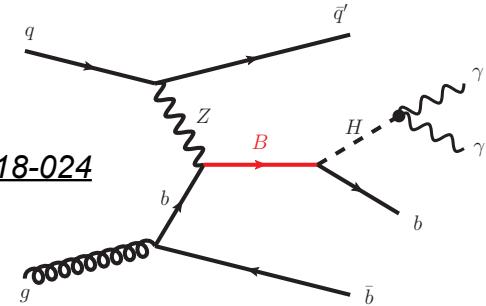
- Selects **0-lepton events** with **high- $p_T$**  top quarks or V/H bosons
  - sub-channels depending on boosted object content (12 channels)
- **Main background:** multi-jet (data-driven)
- Boosted object tagging: **multi-class DNN classifier** on vRC jets
  - using of jet and subjet kinematic properties
- Final discriminant: **Matrix Element Method**

Background suppression



# Single-production searches

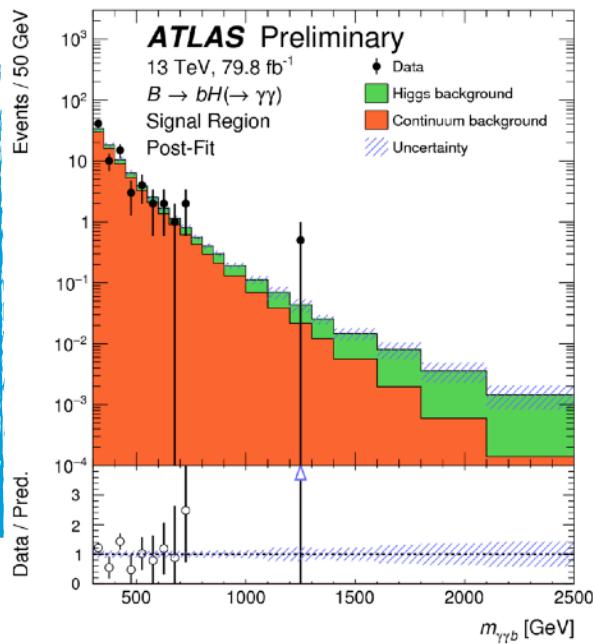
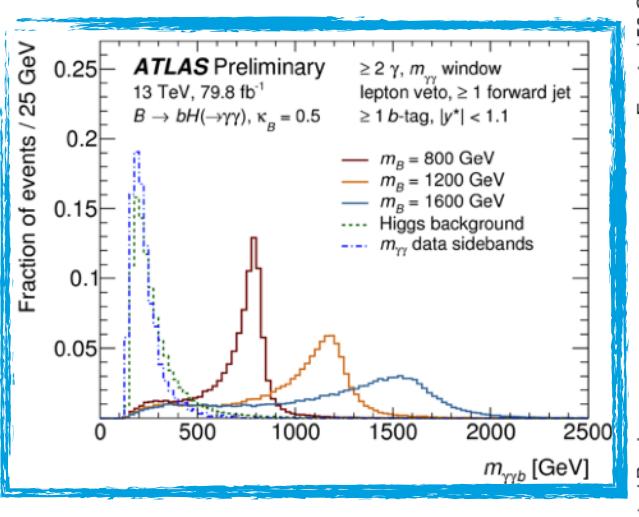
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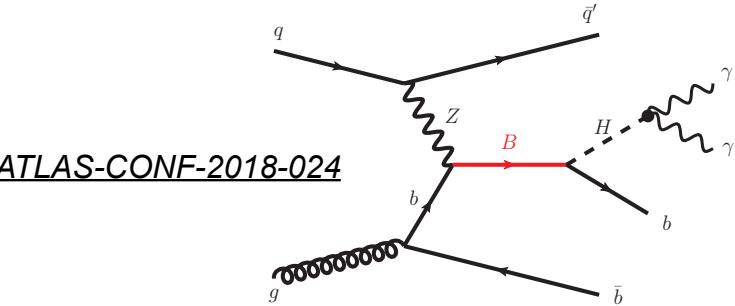
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With 2017 data!

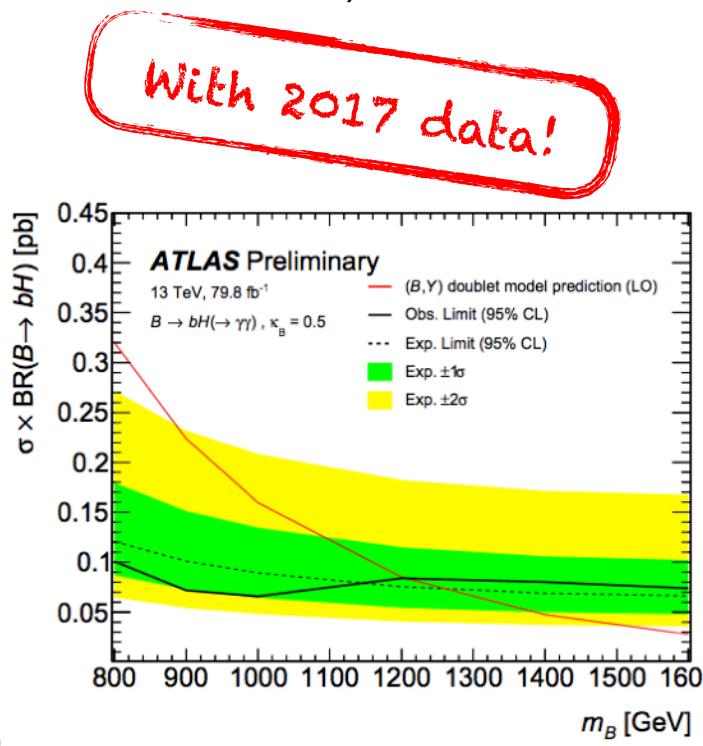
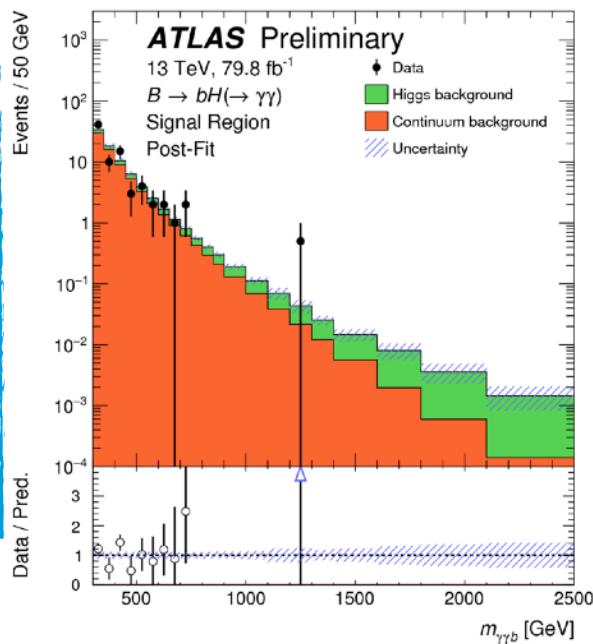
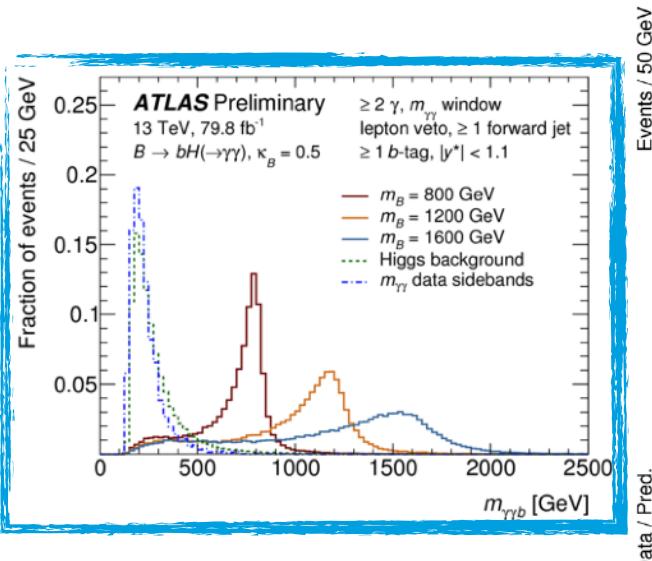


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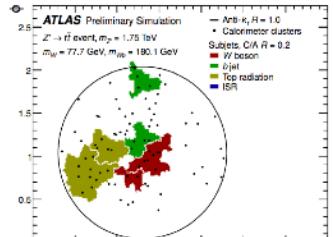
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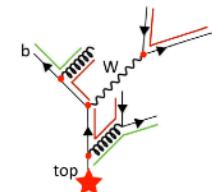
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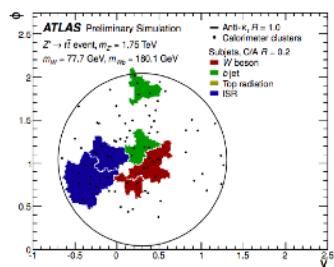
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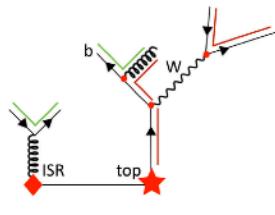
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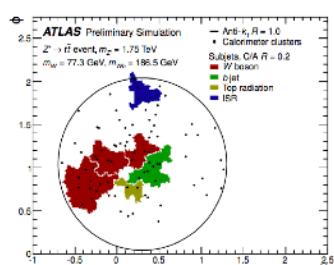
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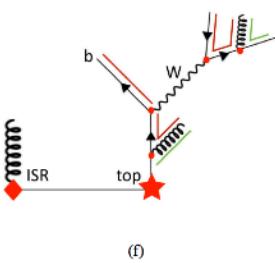
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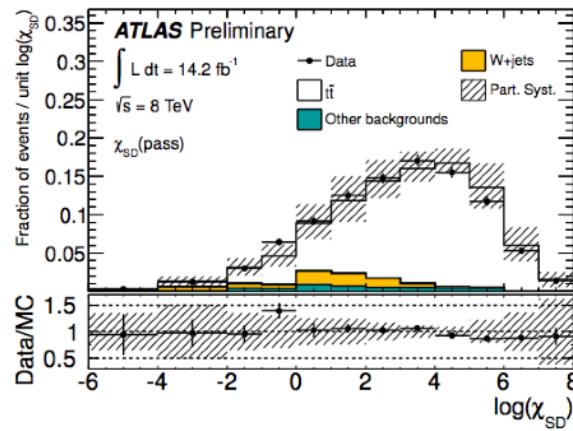


(f)

- Subjets used as proxies to parton
- All parton shower history leading to this parton configuration are used:  
**each has a probability** *sum over signal-hypotheses PS histories*

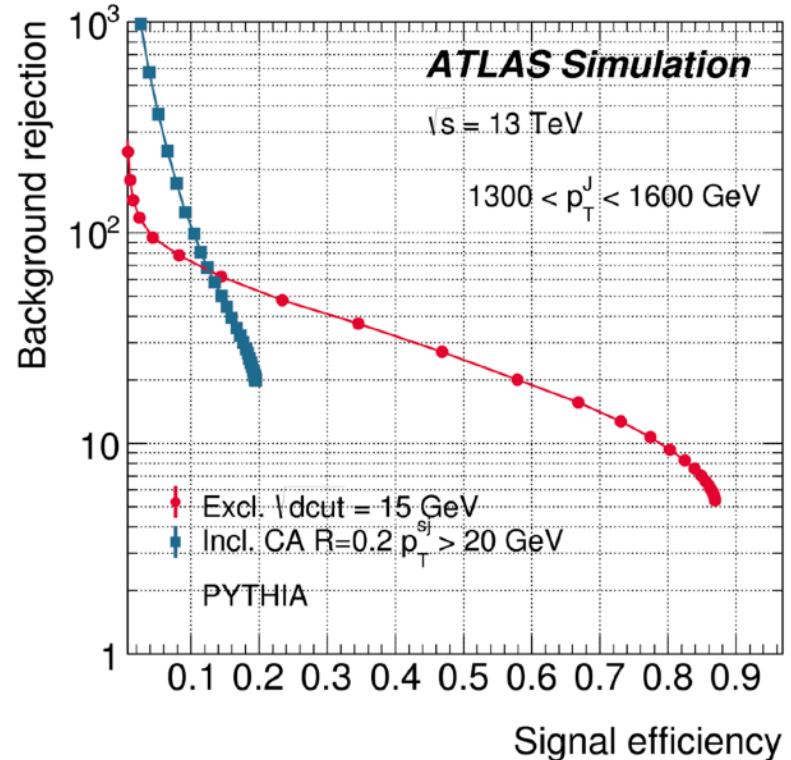
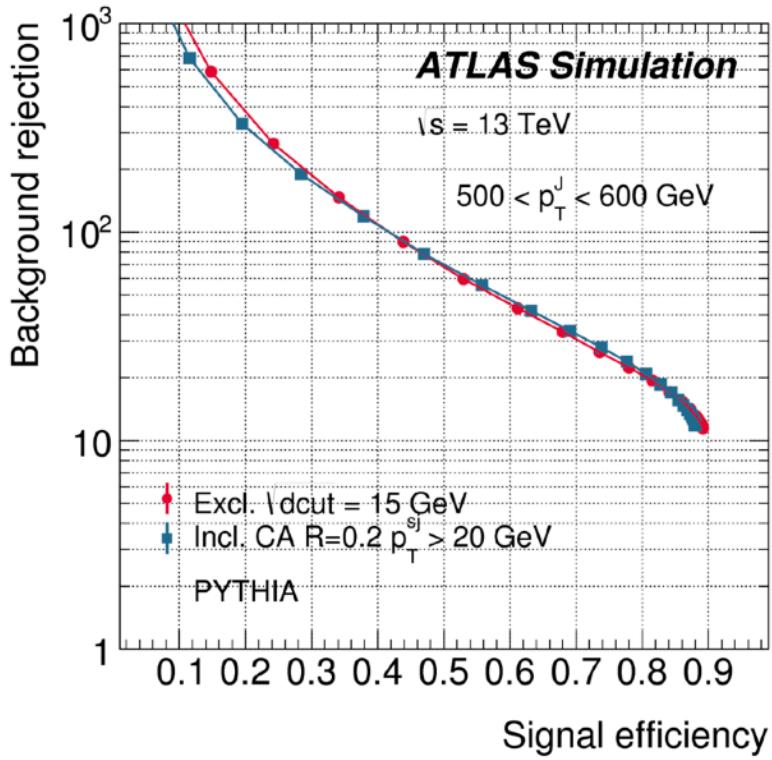
$$\chi_{SD}(\{p\}_N) = \frac{P(\{p\}_N|S)}{P(\{p\}_N|B)} = \frac{\sum_{\text{histories}} P(\{p, c^j\}_N|S)}{\sum_{\text{histories}} P(\{p, c^j\}_N|B)}$$

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# Shower deconstruction performance

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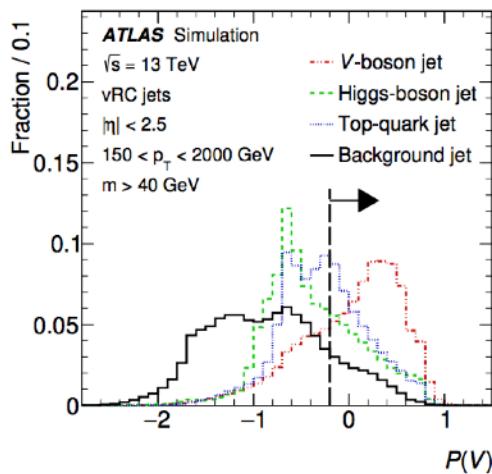


- Use of **exclusive subjets** => better performance for very-highly-boosted top quarks.

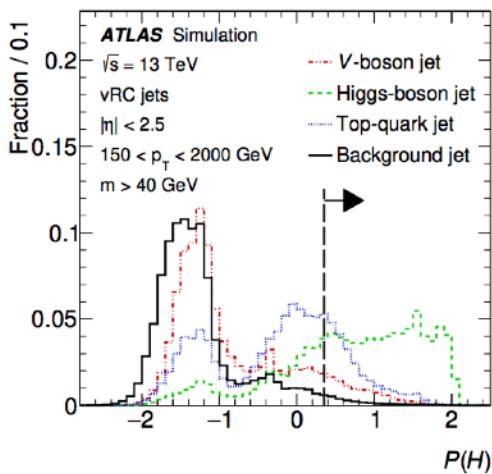
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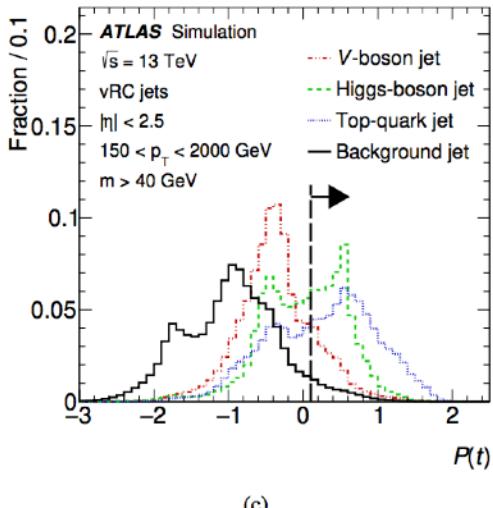
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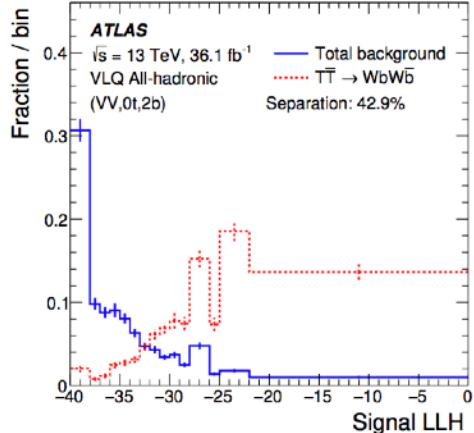
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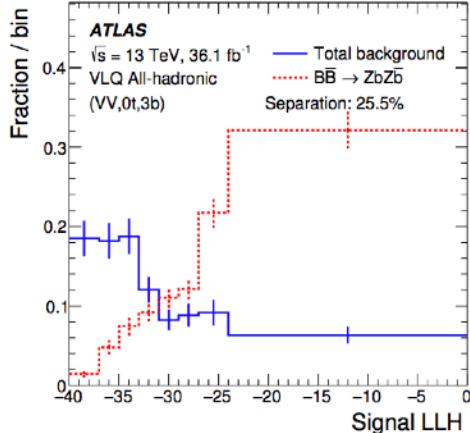
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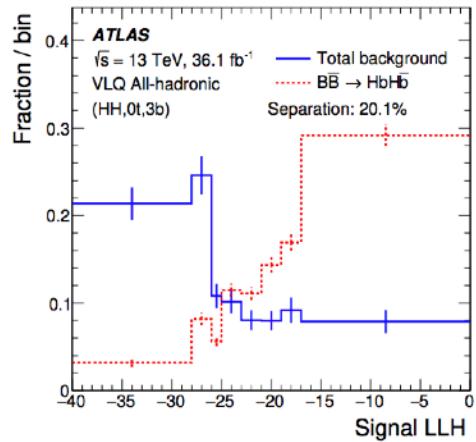
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Phase space element

$$P_i(\mathbf{x}|\boldsymbol{\alpha}) = \frac{(2\pi)^4}{\sigma_i^{\text{eff}}(\boldsymbol{\alpha})} \int d\Phi_N(\mathbf{y}) f(p_A) f(p_B) \frac{|\mathcal{M}_i(\mathbf{y}|\boldsymbol{\alpha})|}{\mathcal{F}} W(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{x})$$

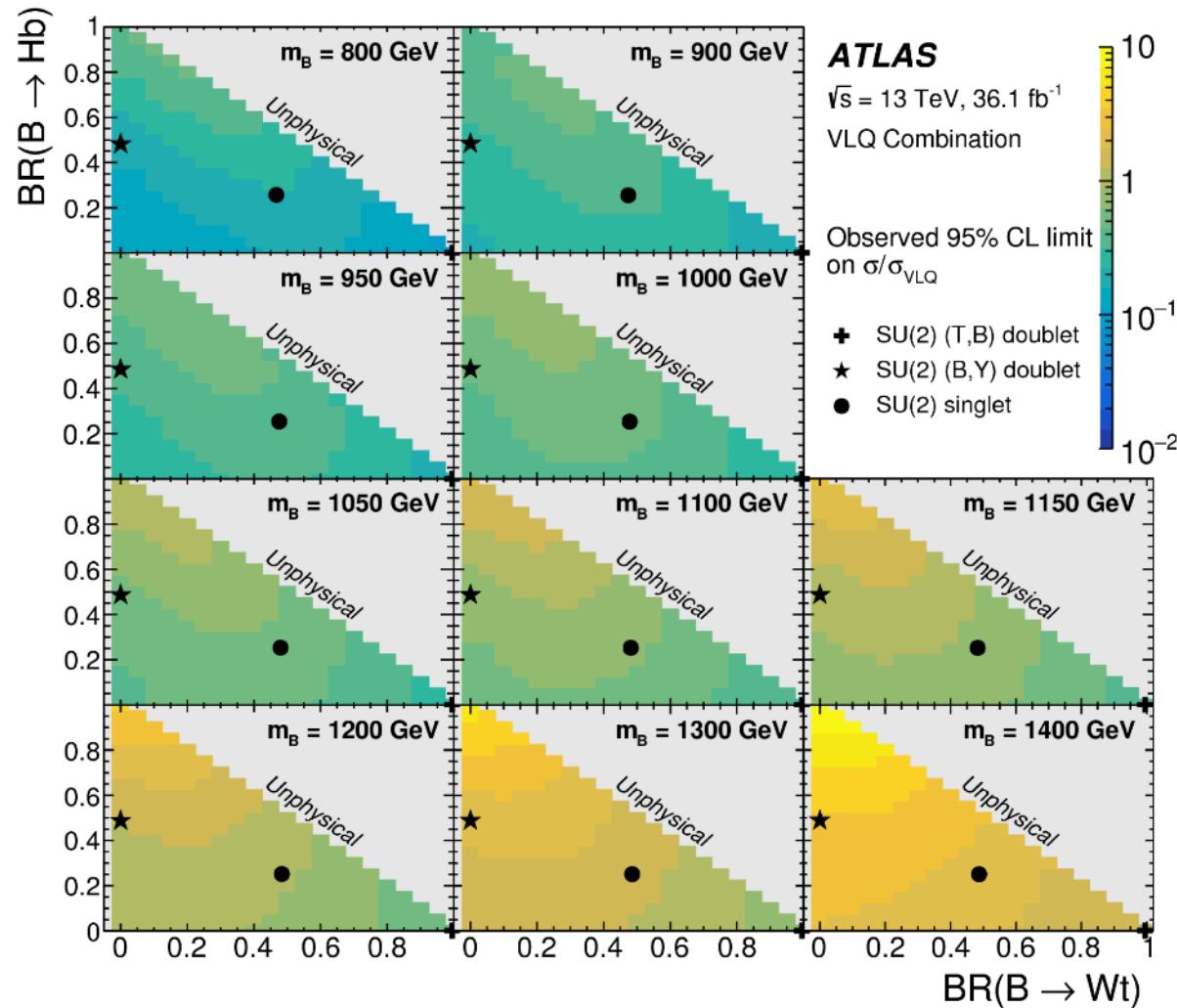
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Transition matrix element of the process

# VLQ searches: next steps ?

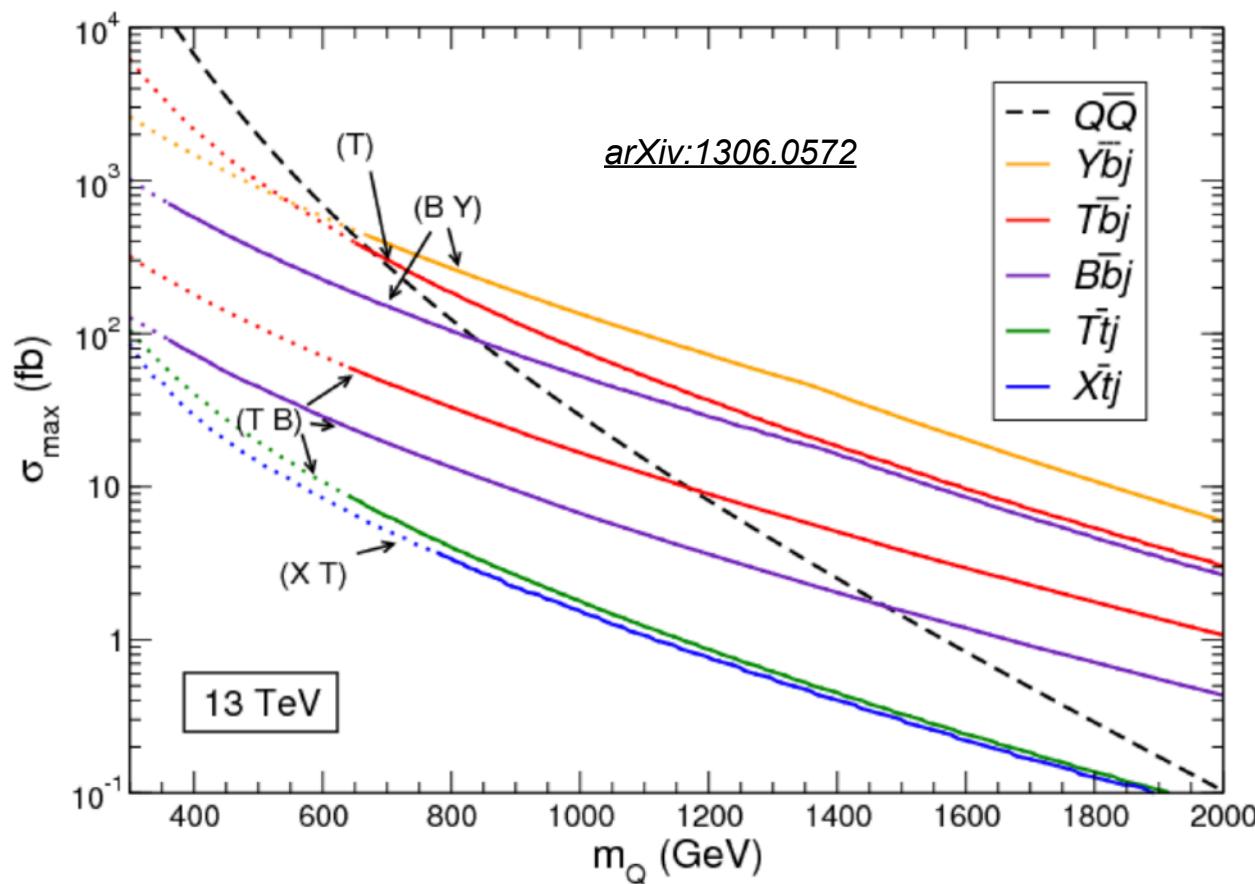
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# Single VLQ production

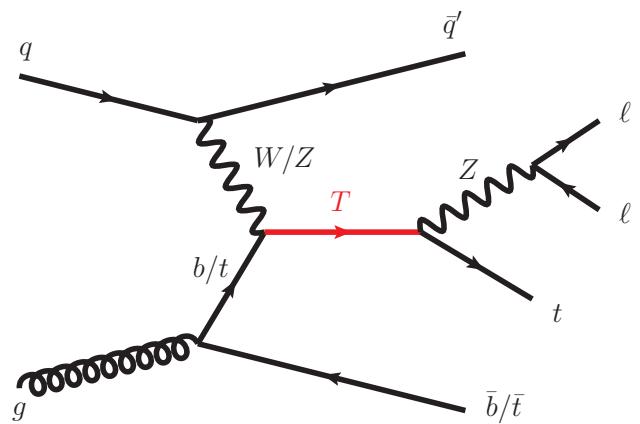
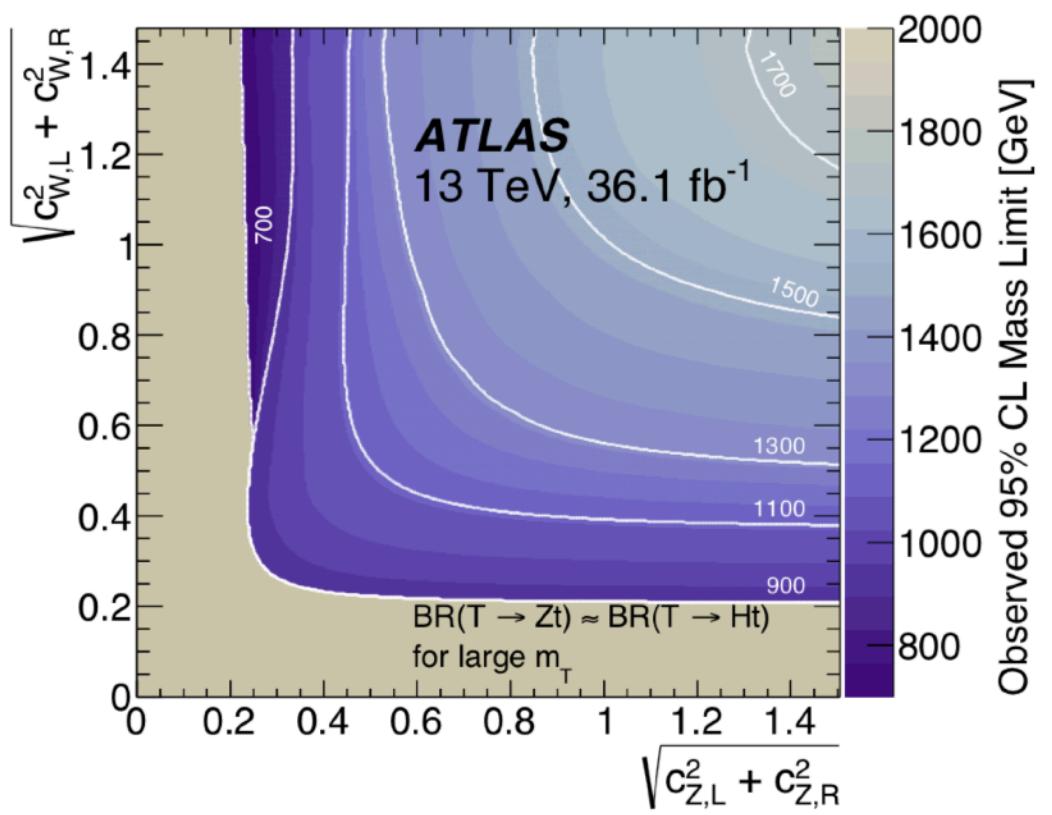
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- Single production production cross-section **depends on coupling** between quarks and vector-like partners.



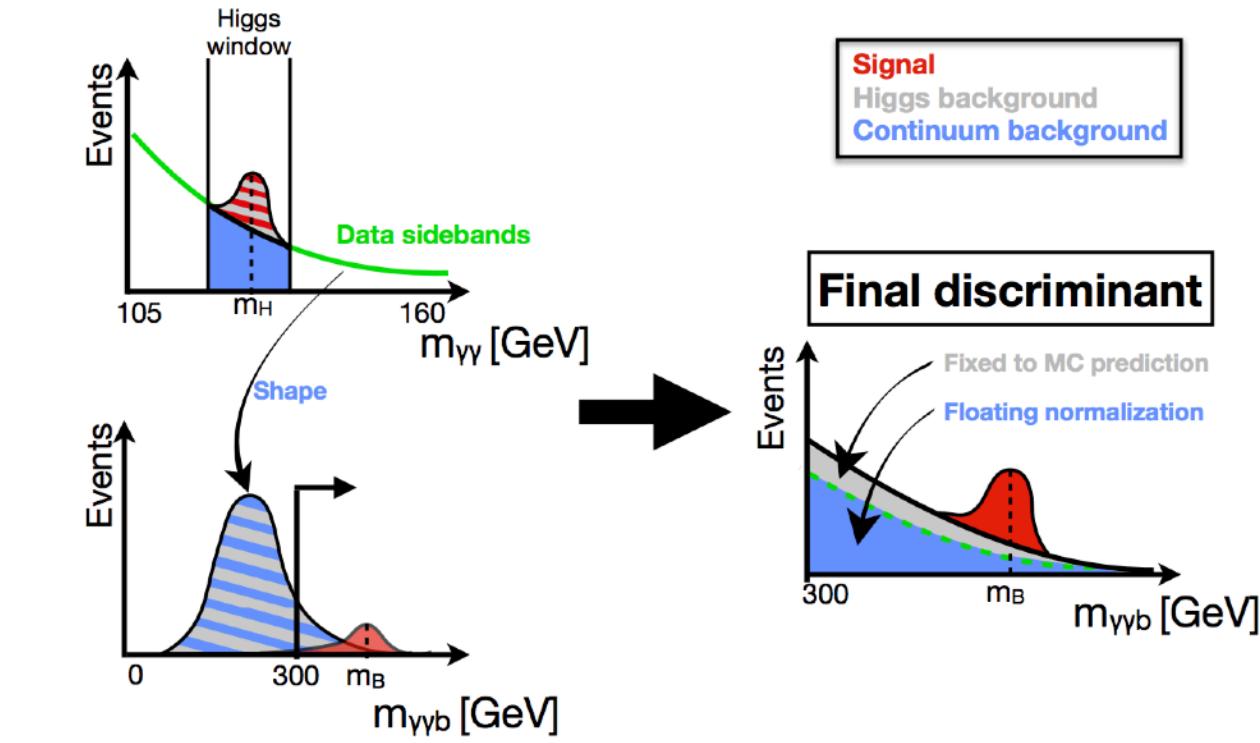
# Single VLQ interpretation

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# $B \rightarrow H \rightarrow yyb$

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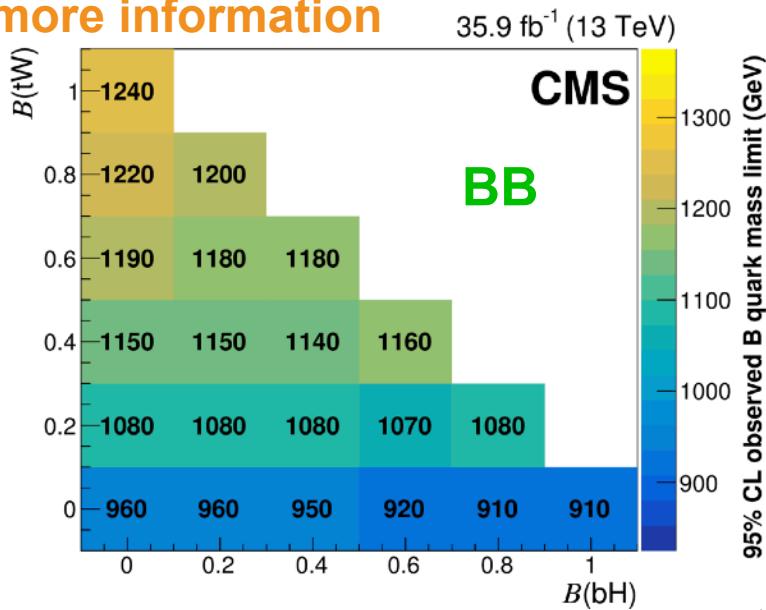


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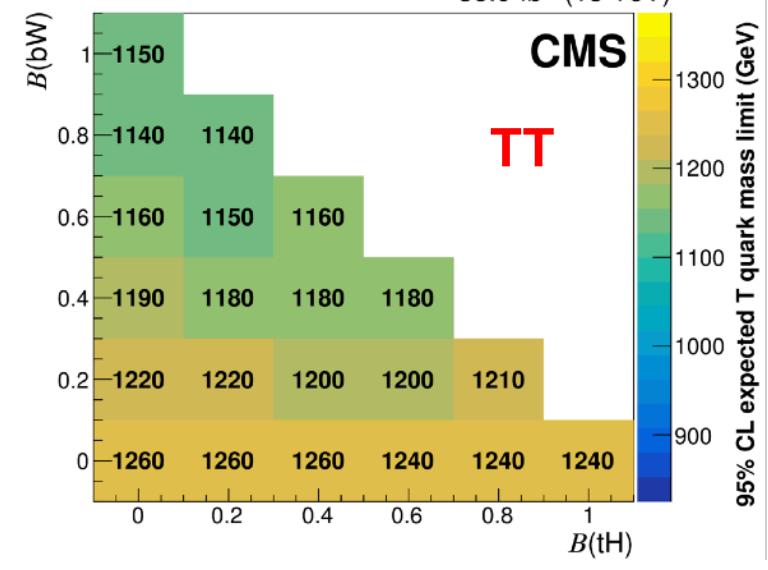
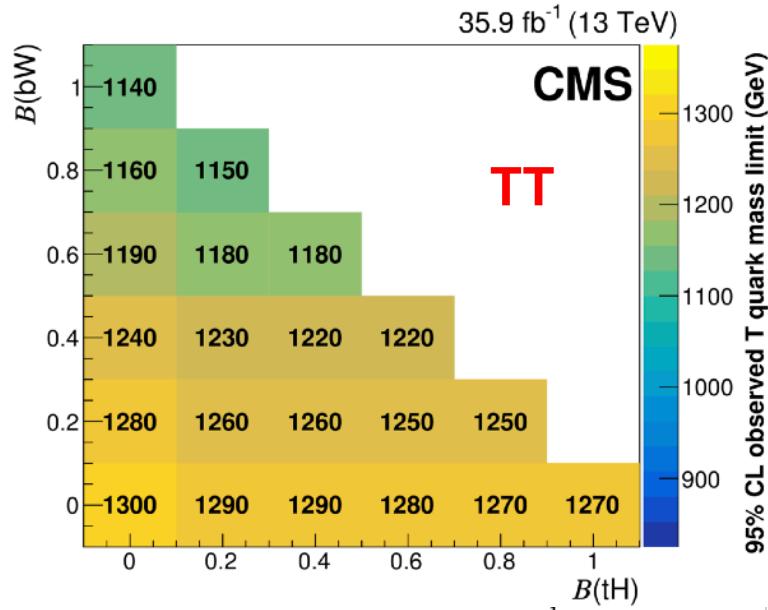
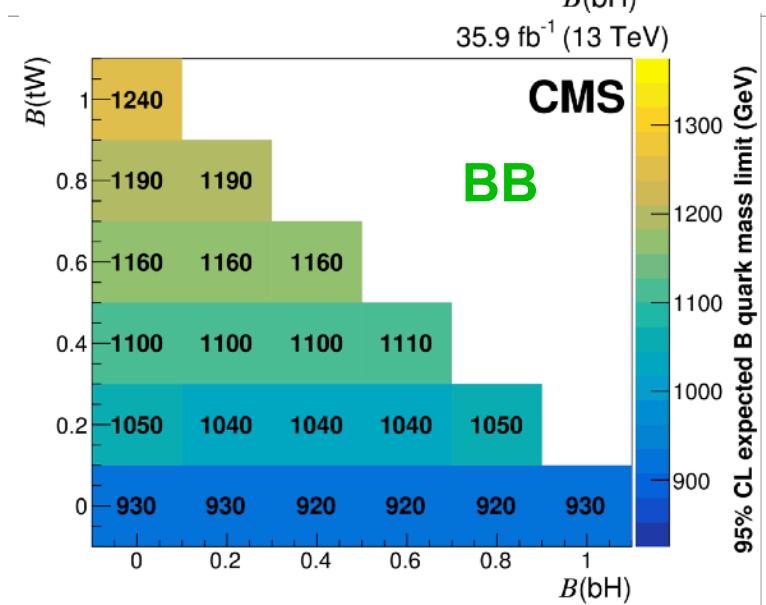
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Observed



Expected



# ATLAS results

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## A bit more information

