

Top quark: a window to New Physics?

Vector-like quarks, resonances and others

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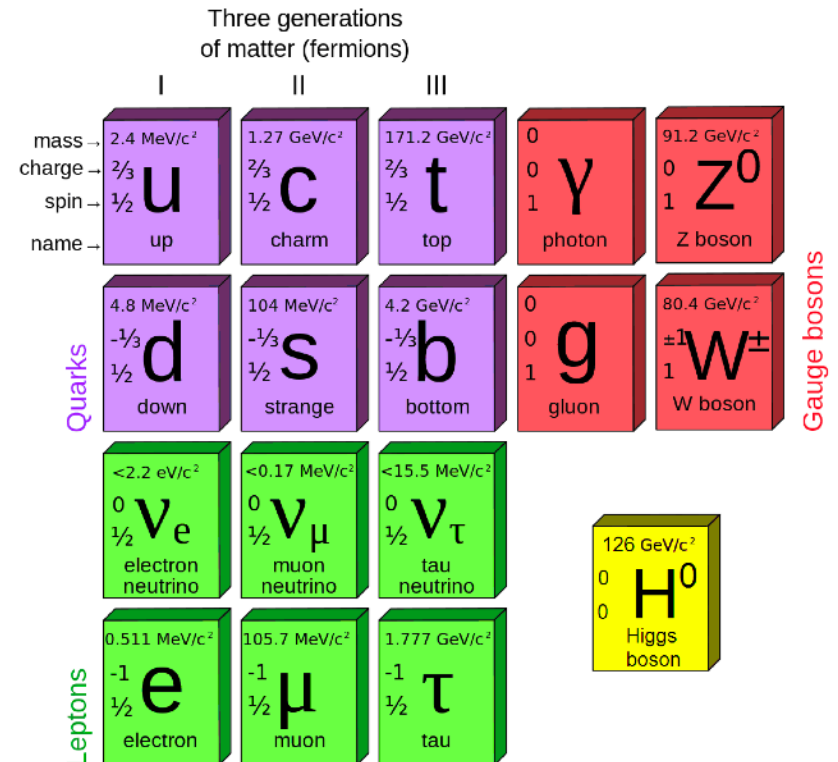
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Standard Model

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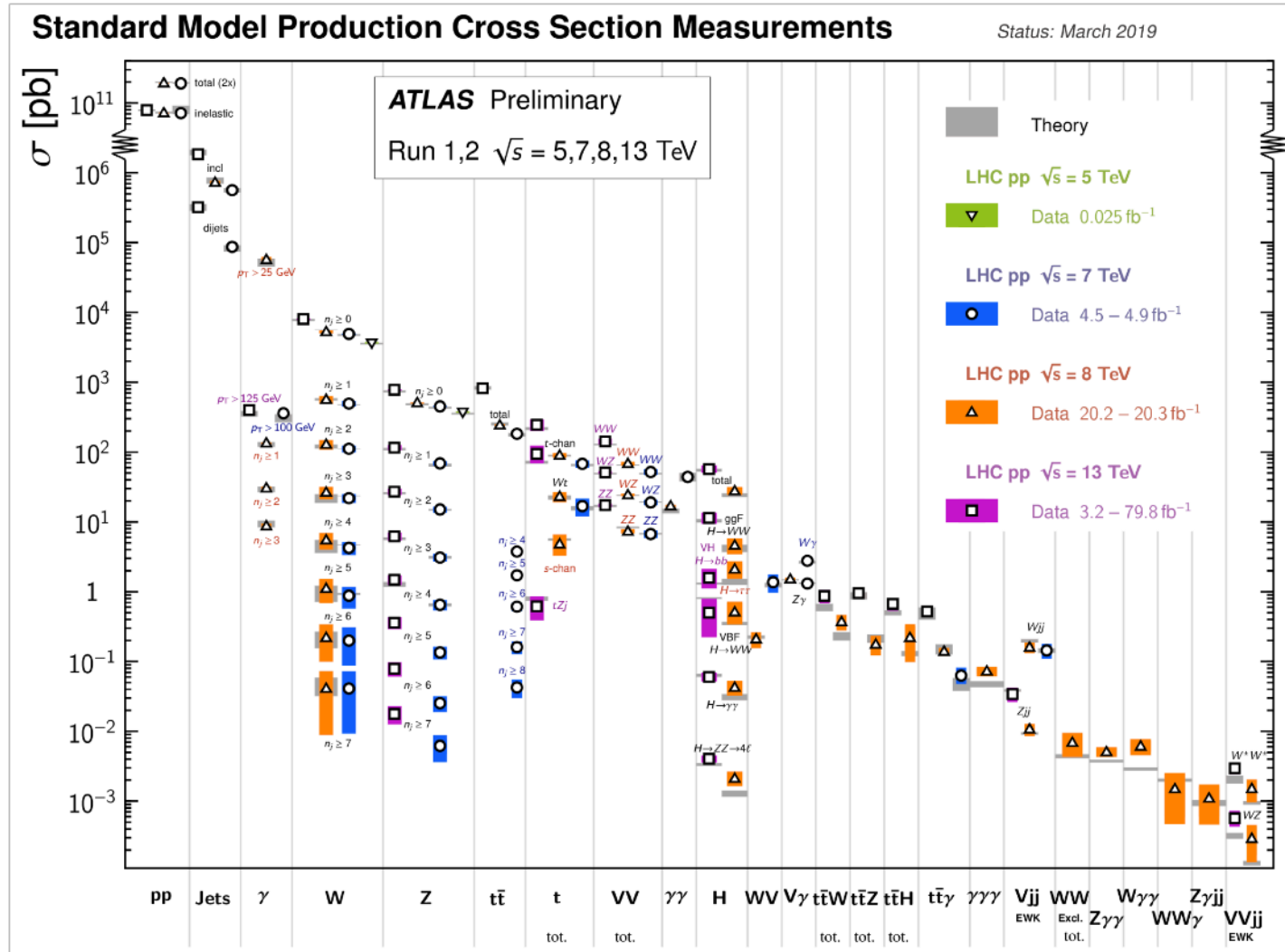
- Successfull theory: describes **elementary particles** & **interactions**
- "Last" piece discovered in 2012: **Higgs boson**



Standard Model

Where we stand ...

- Successes
- "Little problems"
- Higgs boson



1.2 GeV/c²
Z⁰
Z boson

0.4 GeV/c²
W[±]
W boson

Gauge bosons

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Standard Model

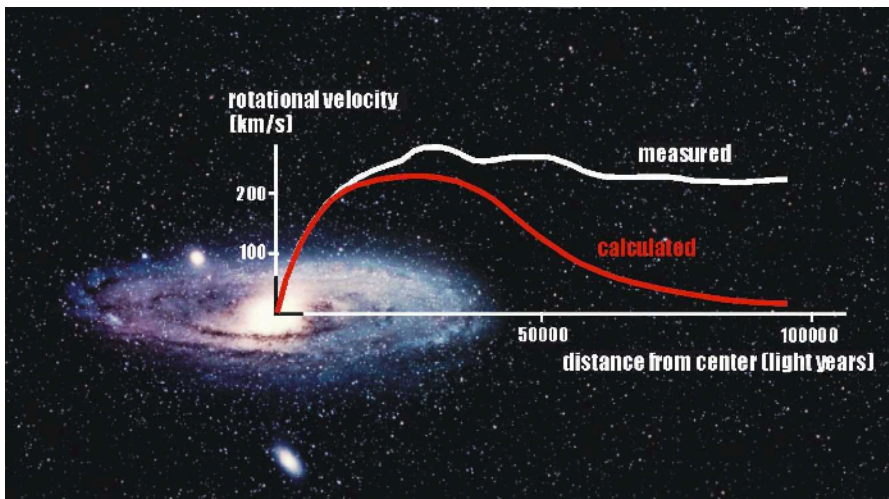
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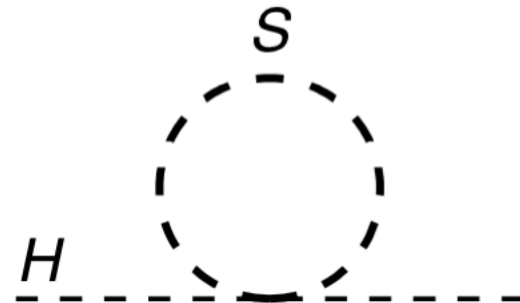
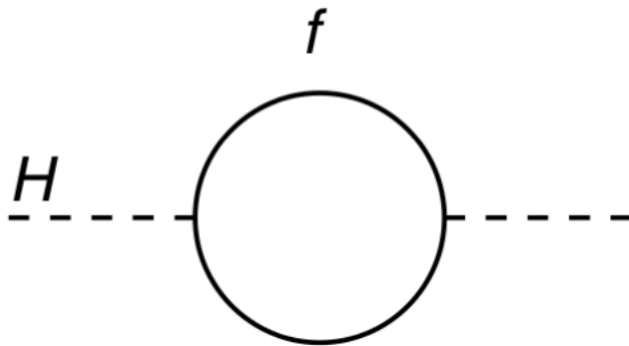
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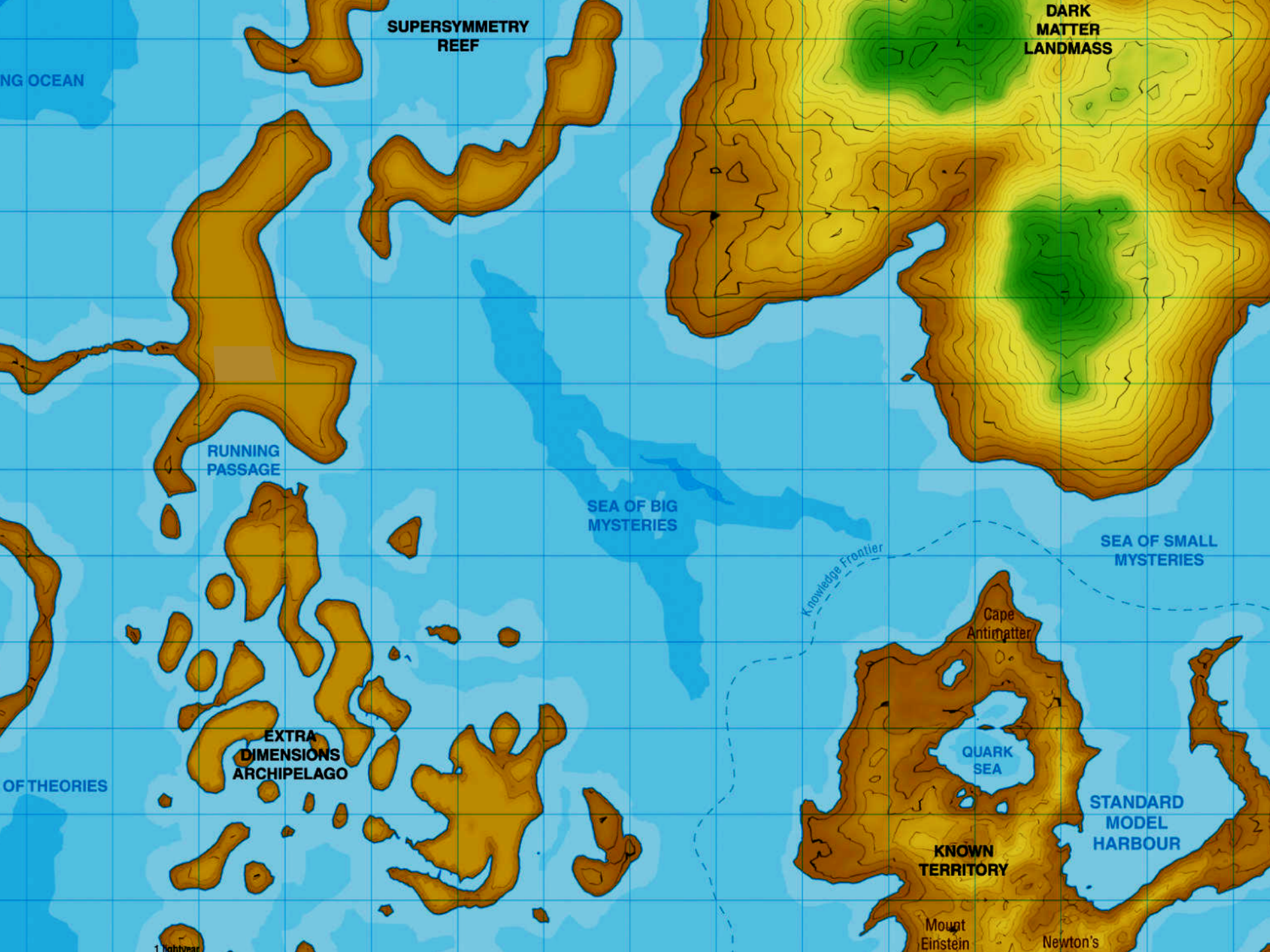
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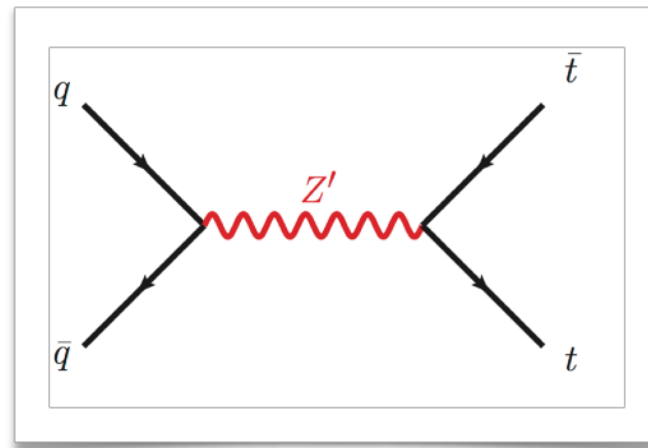
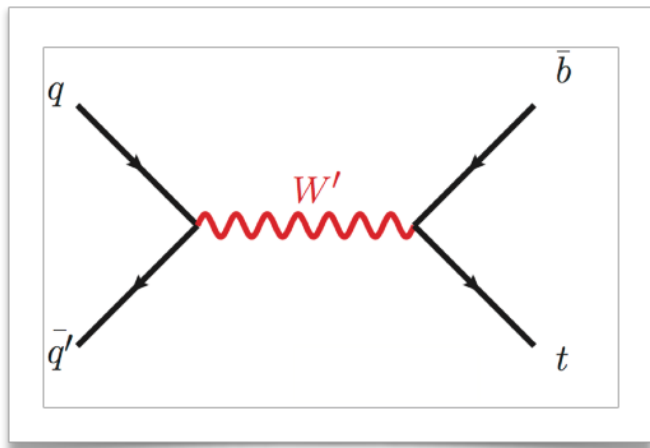


Beyond the Standard Model

Where we go ...

- Changing/adding symmetries

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

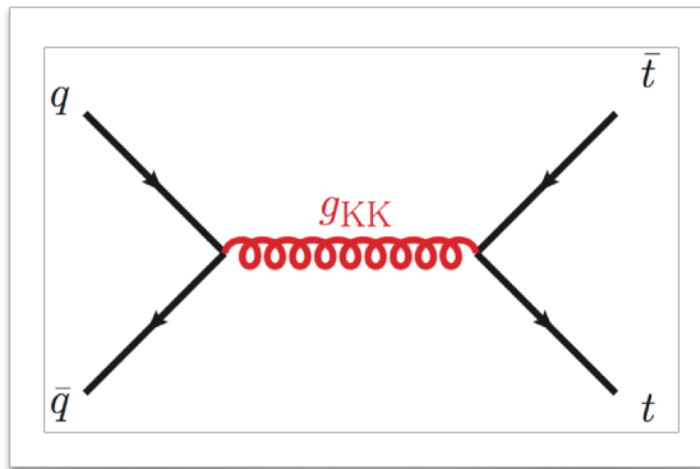


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Where we go ...

- **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, ...

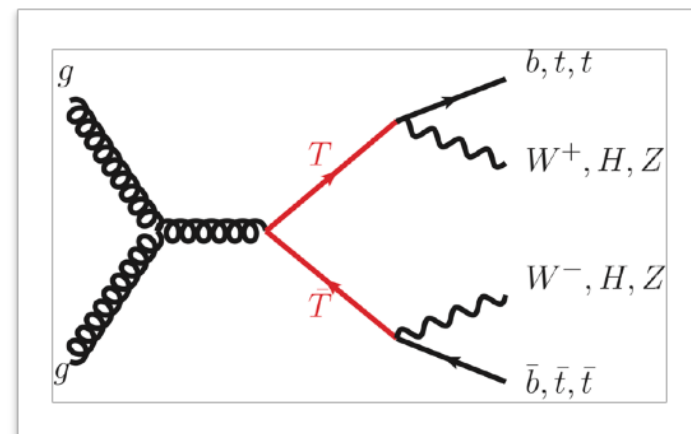
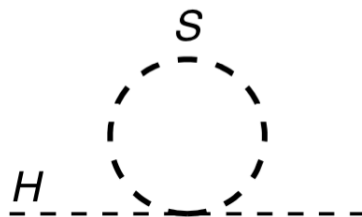
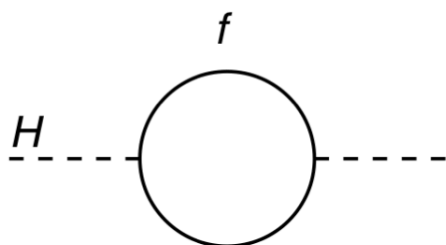


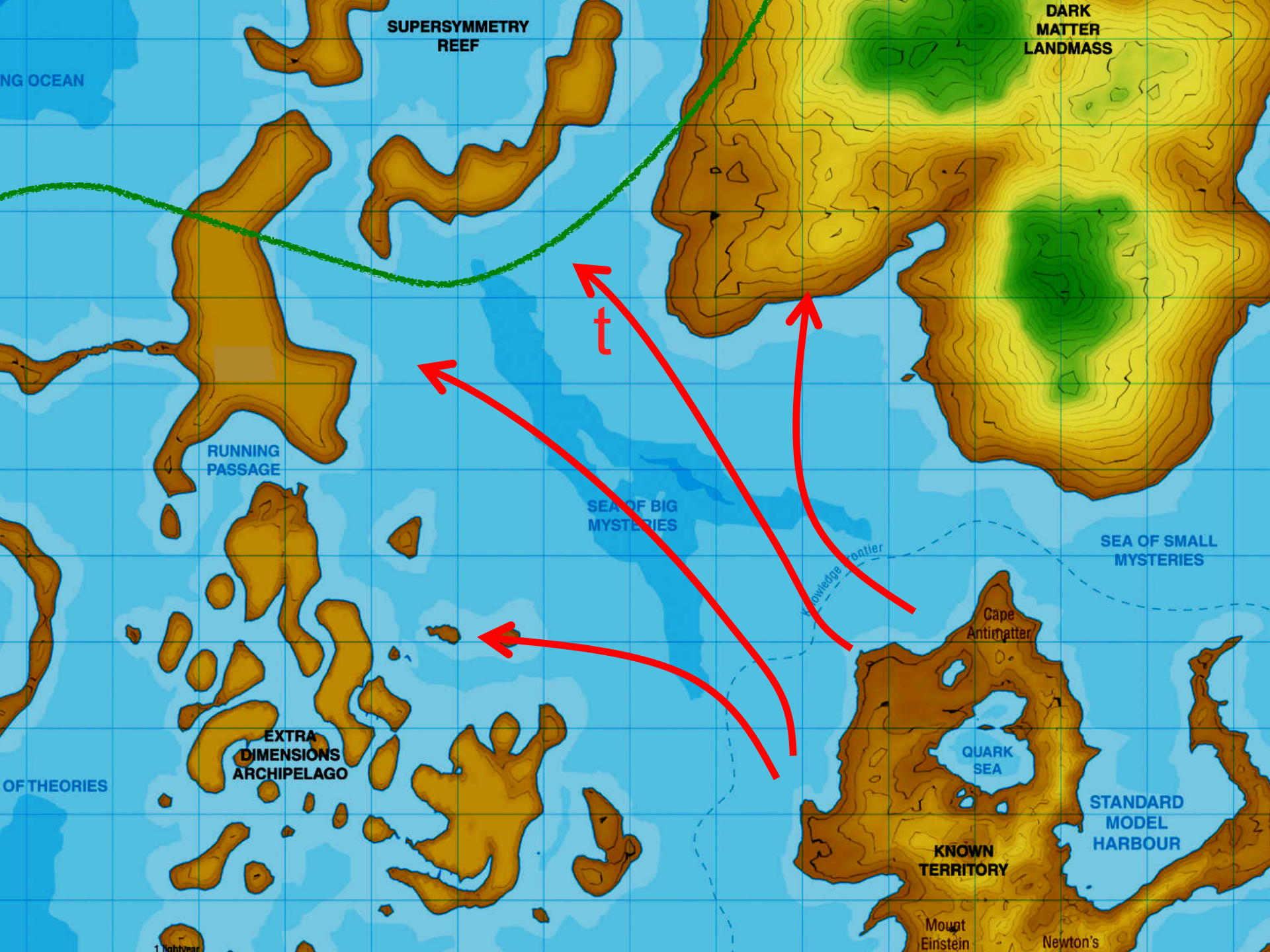
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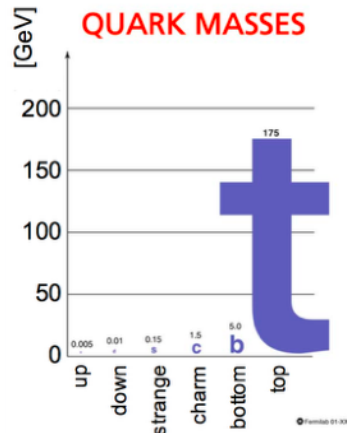
- **Top quark partners**

- 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)

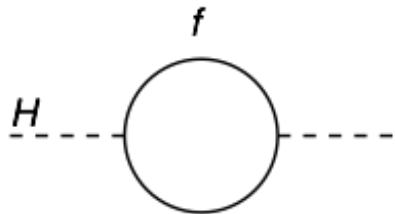




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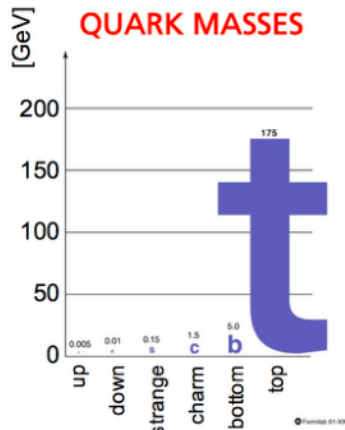


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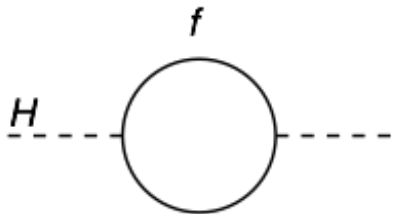


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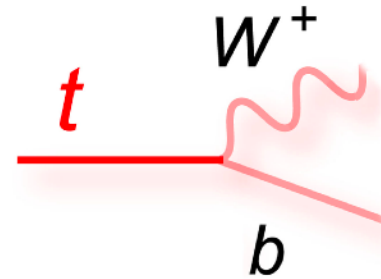
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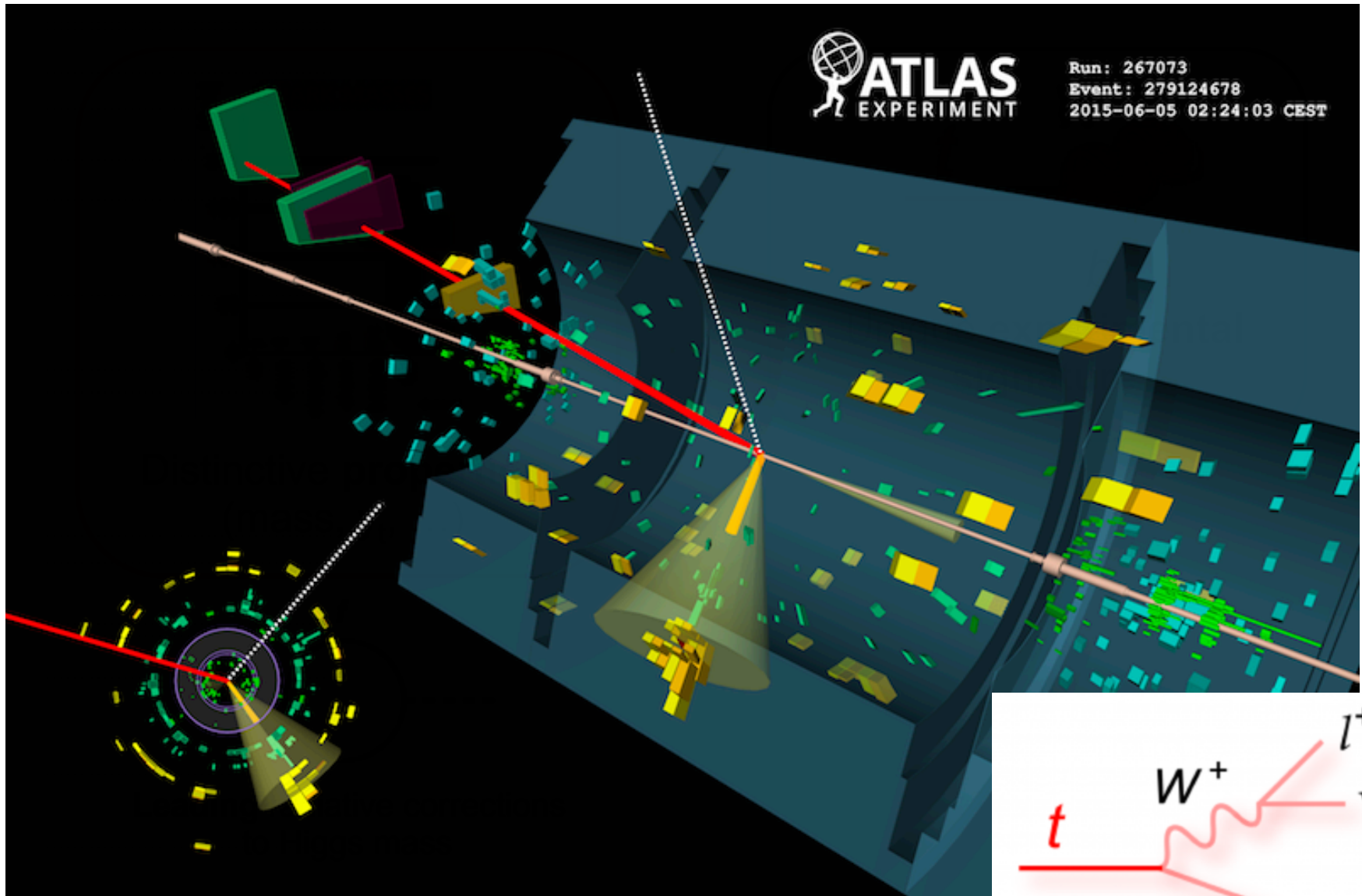


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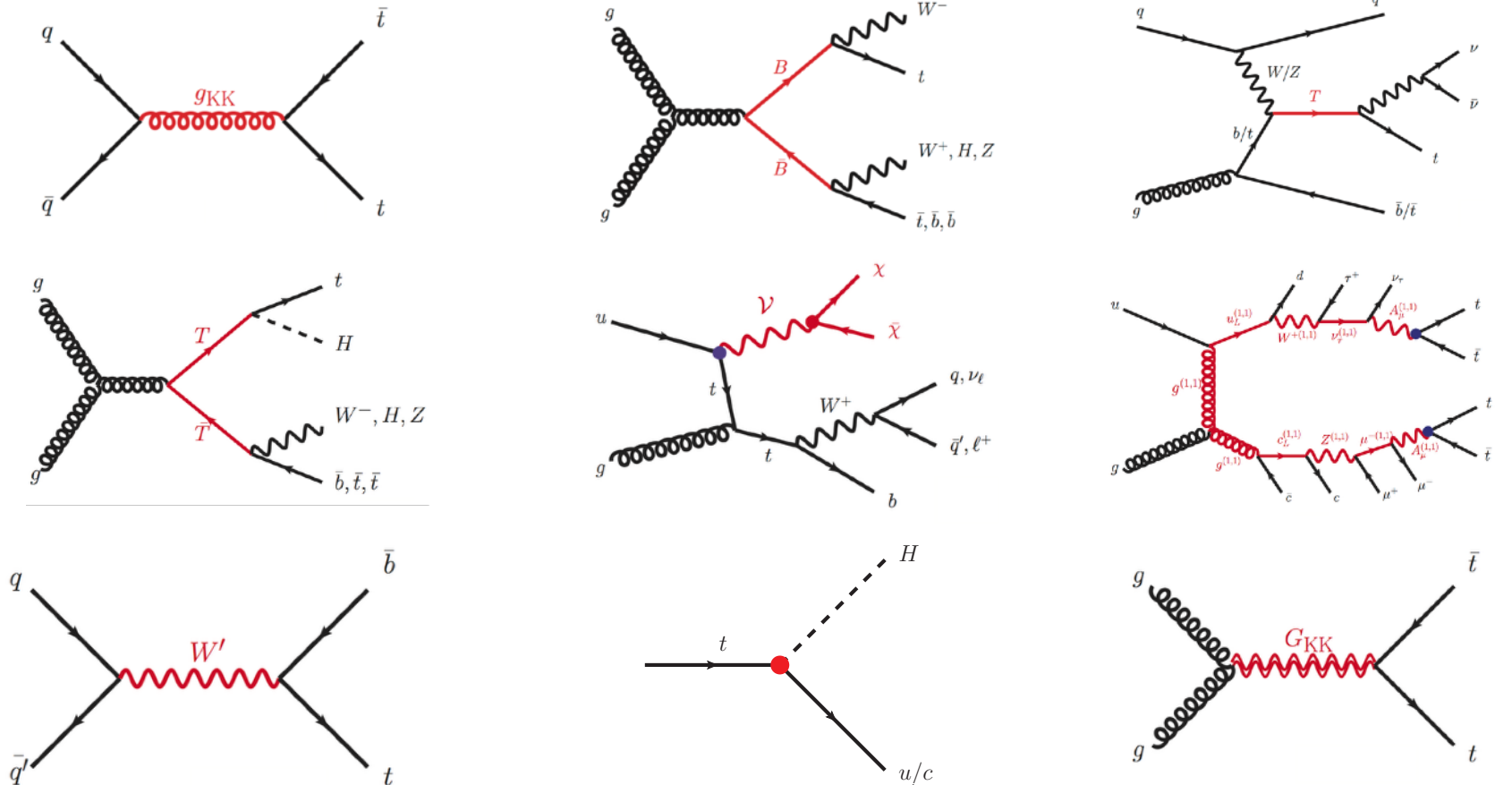
Unique **experimental**
signature

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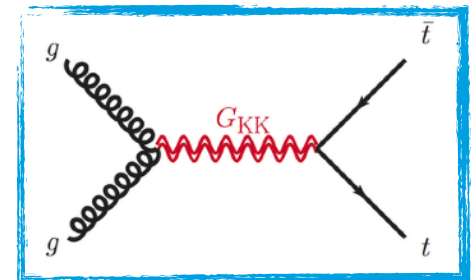
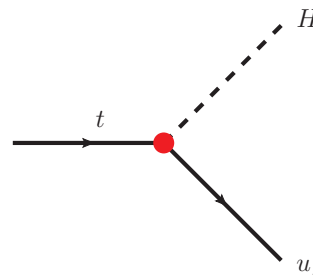
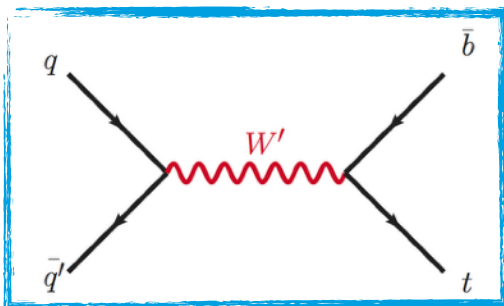
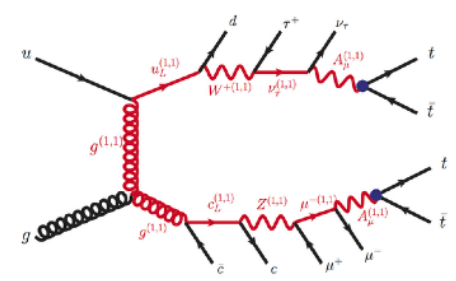
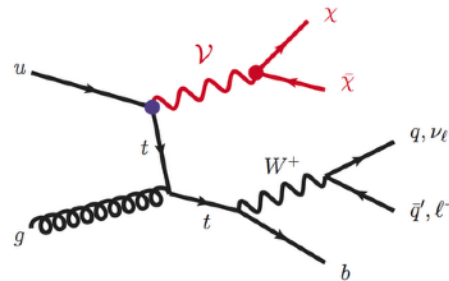
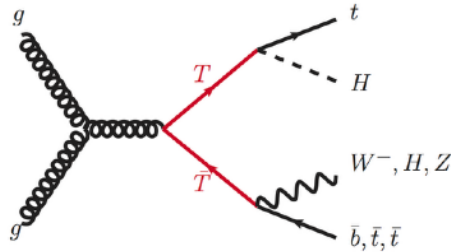
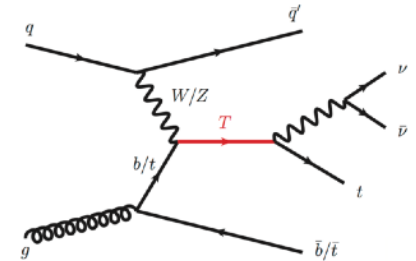
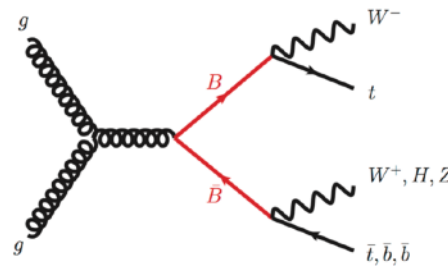
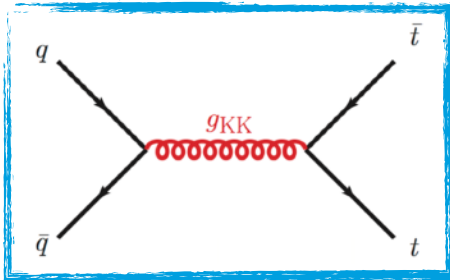
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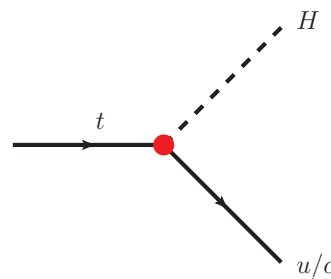
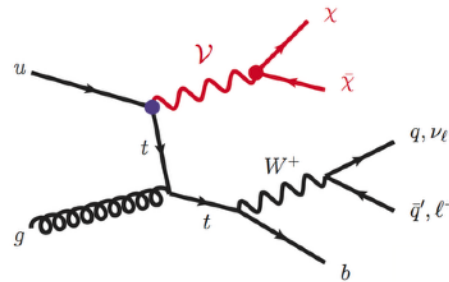
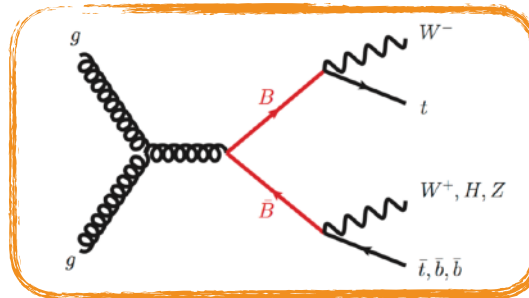
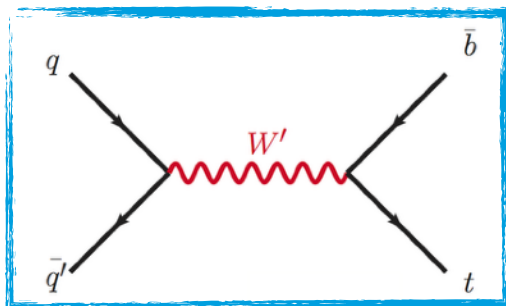
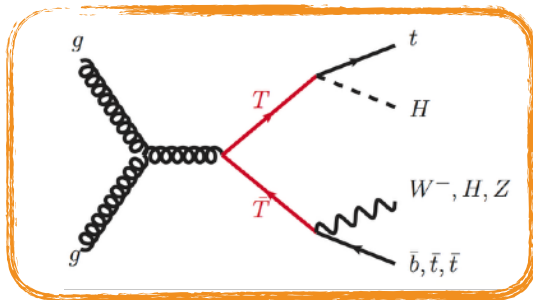
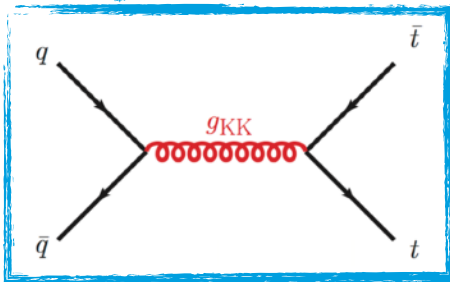
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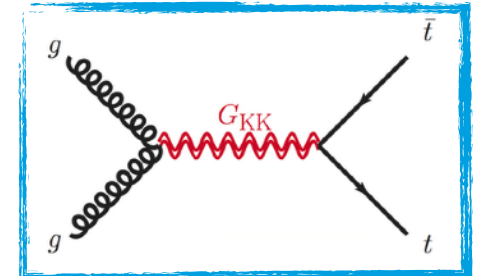
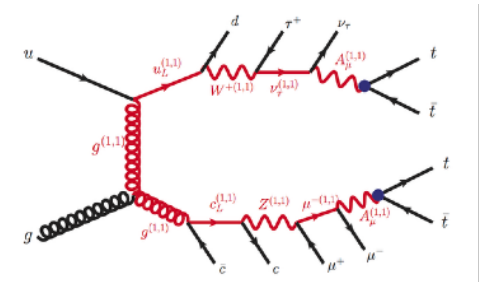
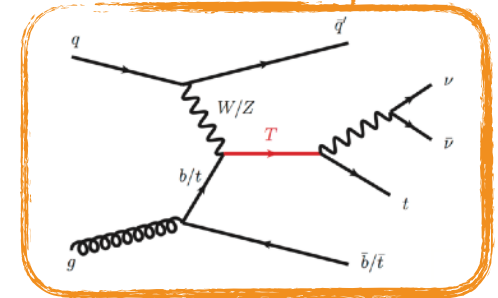
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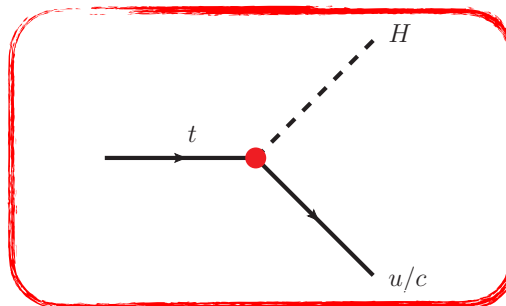
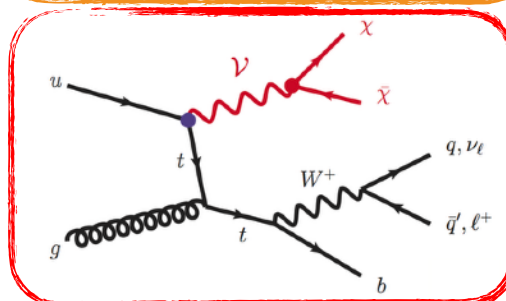
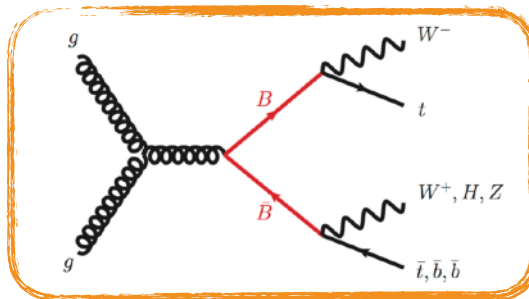
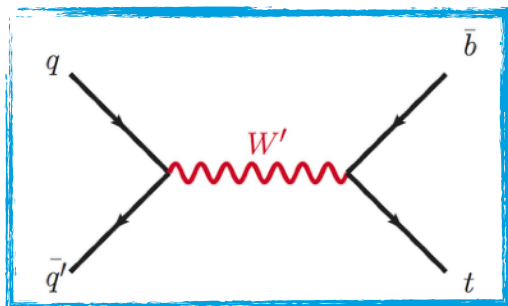
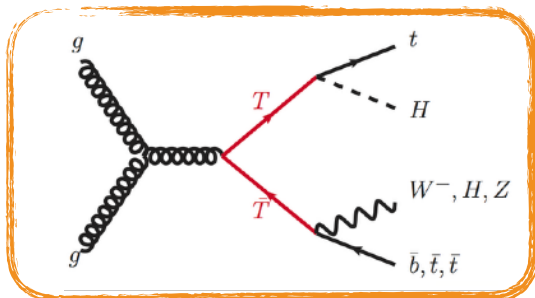
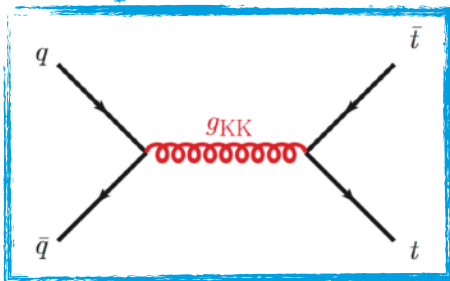
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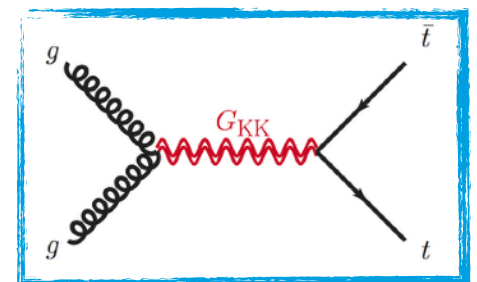
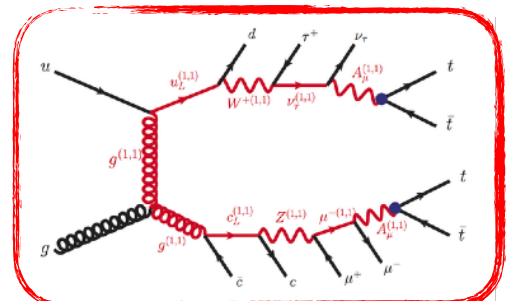
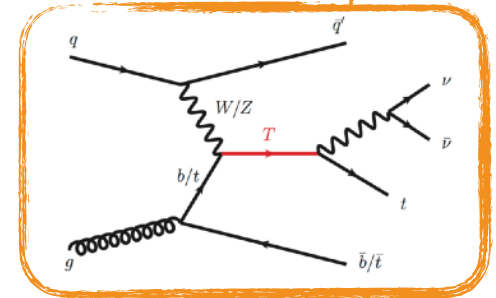
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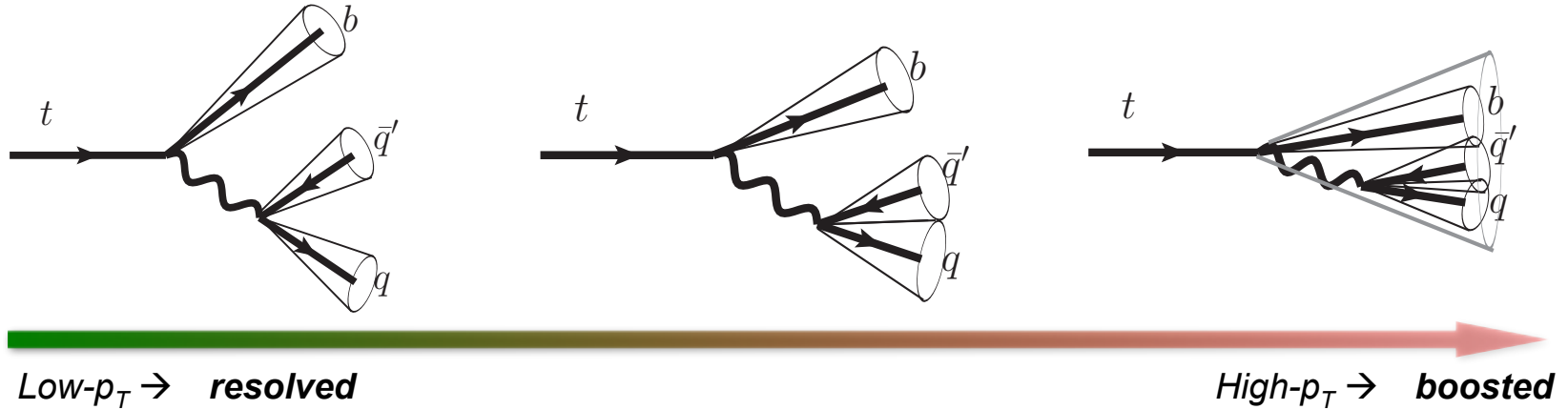
Rare process enhancement

Looking for new physics with top quarks

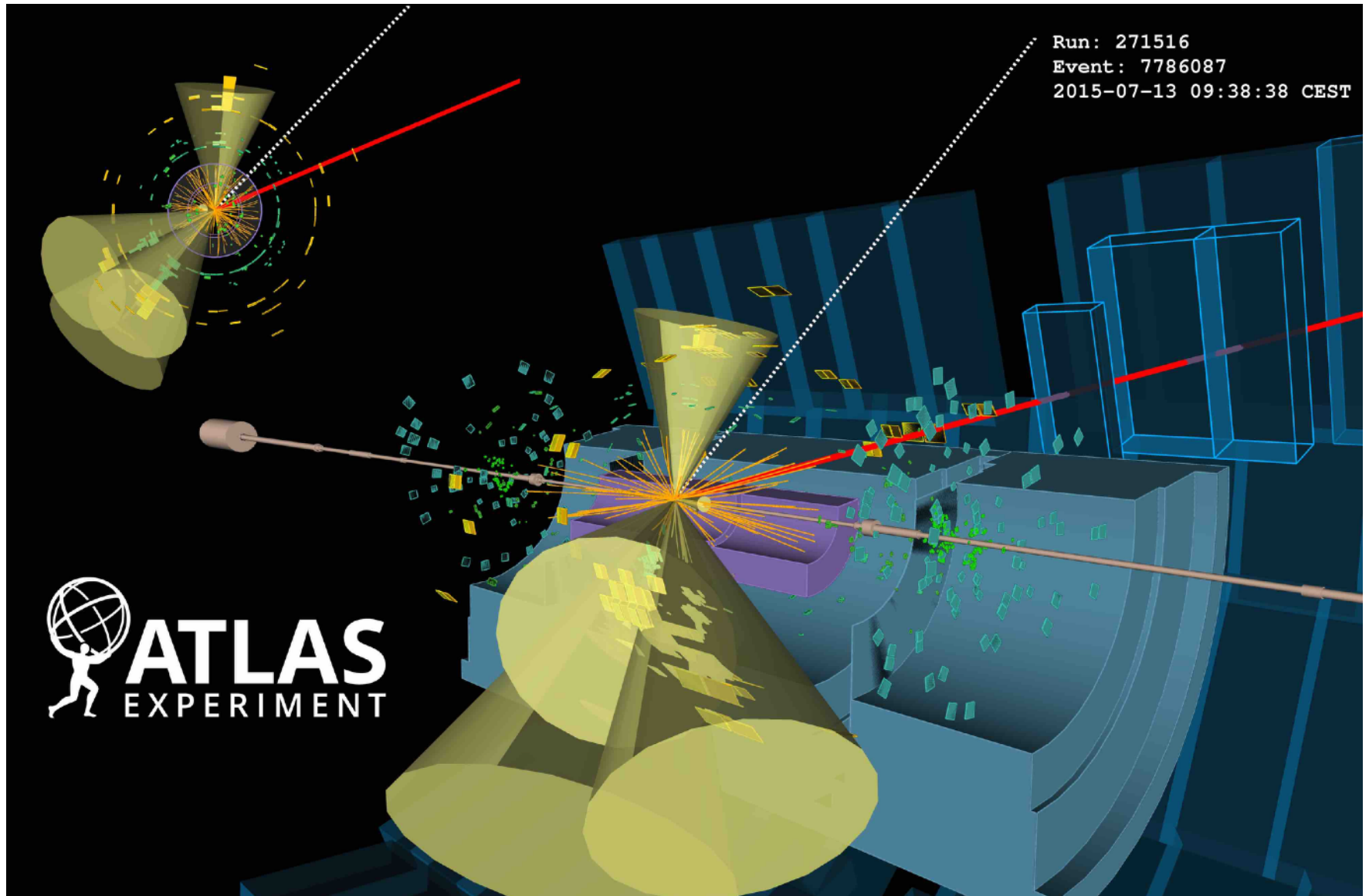
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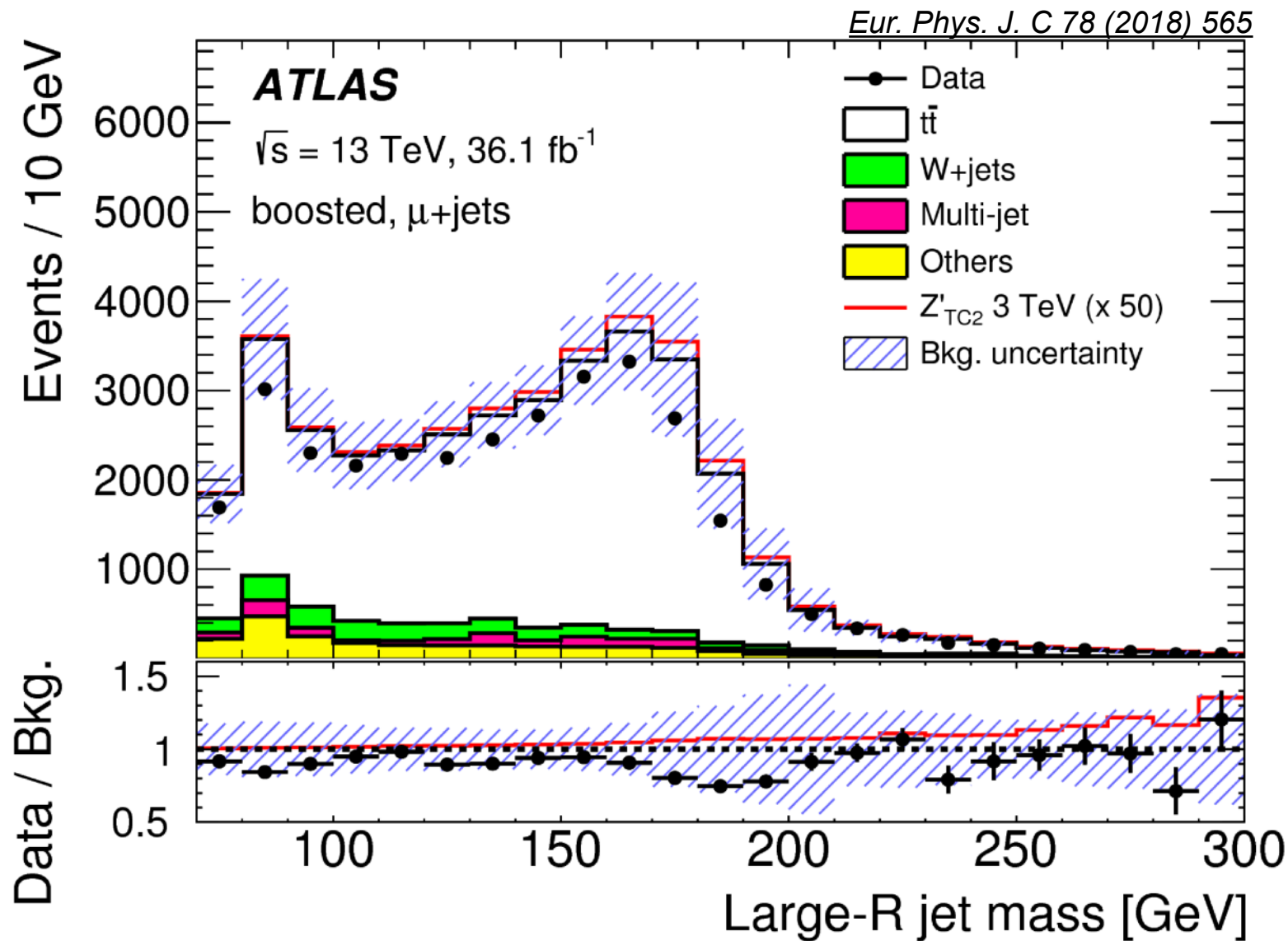
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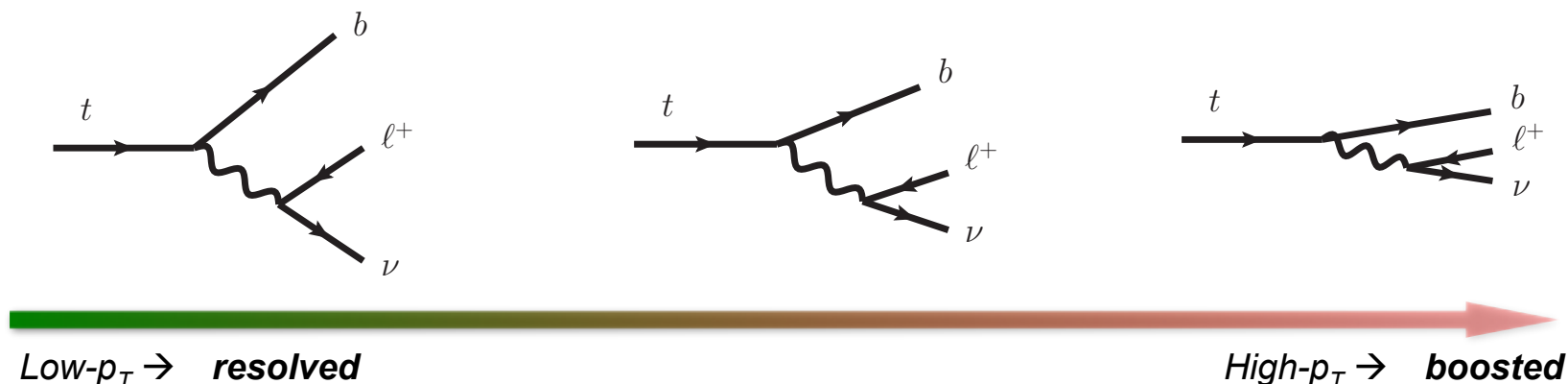


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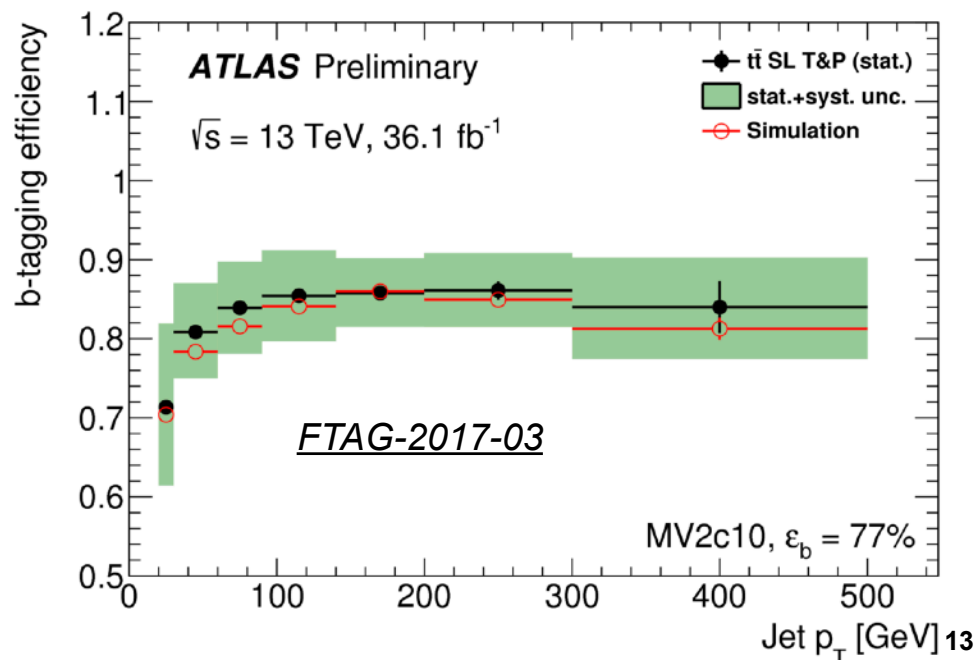
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- New heavy particles: **high- p_T semi-leptonically-decaying objects**



- Key aspects**

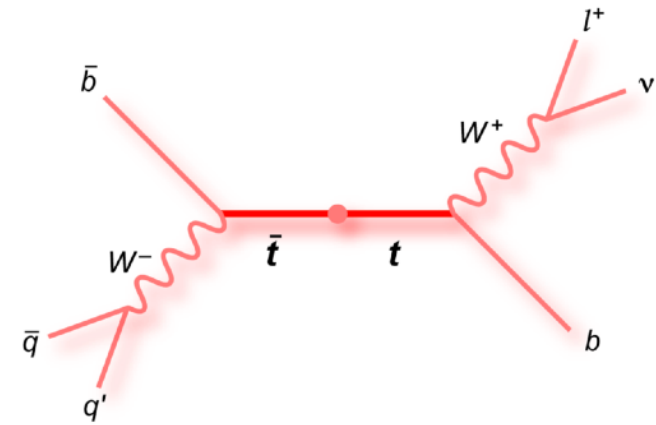
- Lepton **isolation**
- Impact of **overlapping b-jet**
- **b-jets** tagging at high- p_T



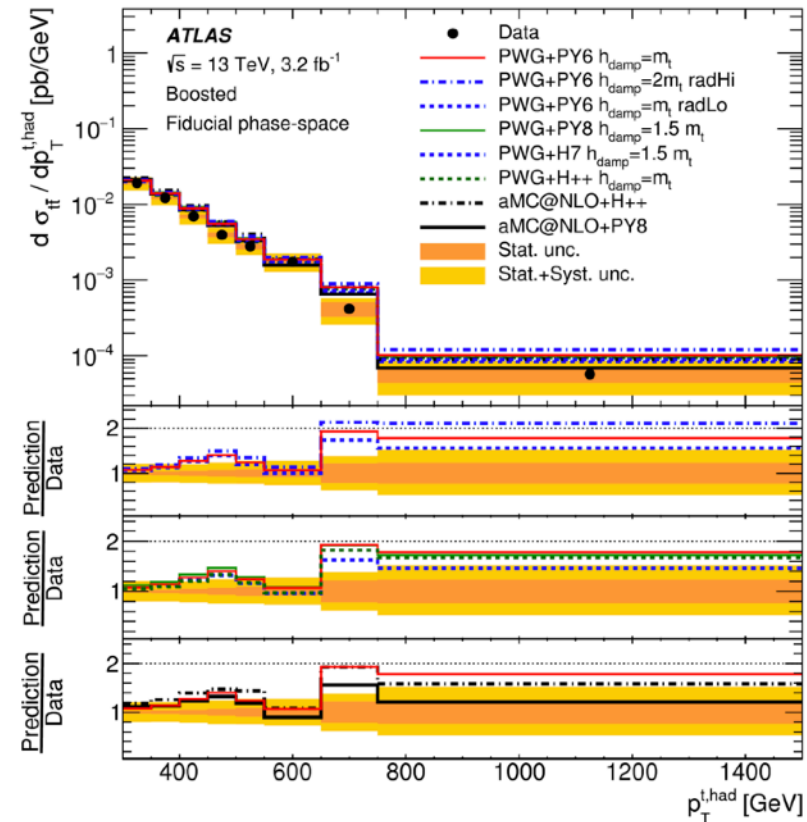
$t\bar{t}$ +jets background

- $t\bar{t}$ + 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

Resonances

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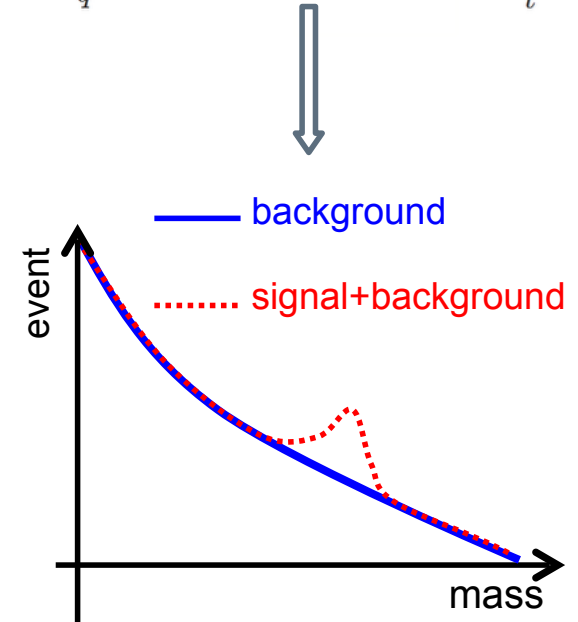
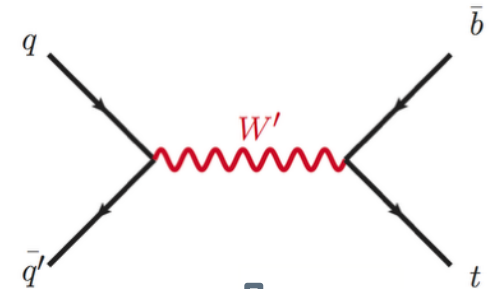
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- **Strategy**

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

- **Key aspects**

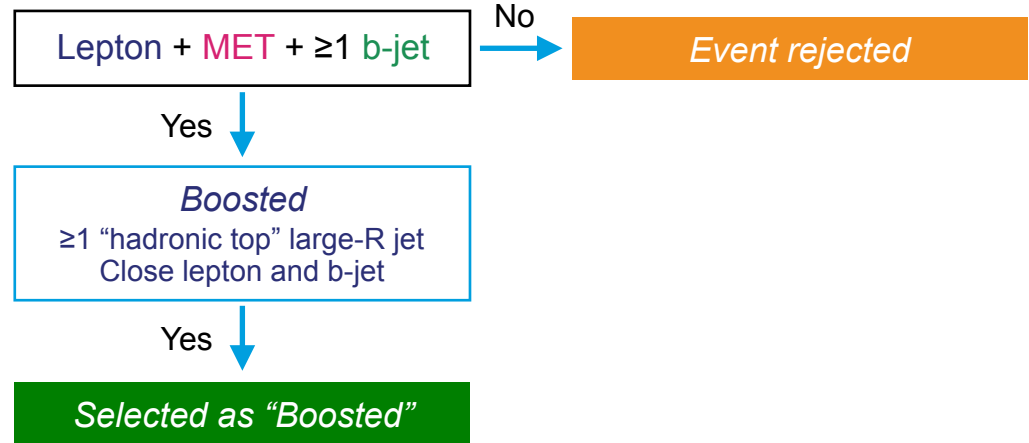
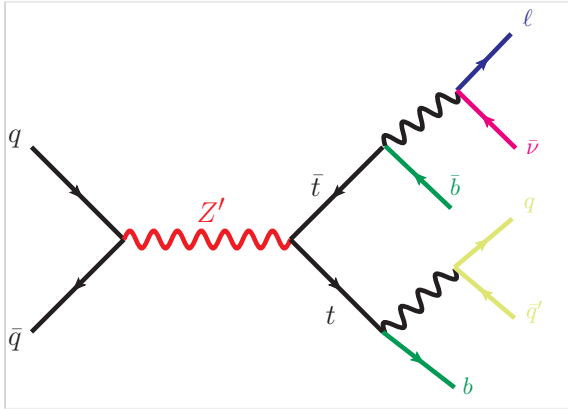
- Identification of boosted objects (e.g. boosted top quarks)
- **Reconstruction** of invariant mass
- **Background shape** modelling



$t\bar{t}$ resonances

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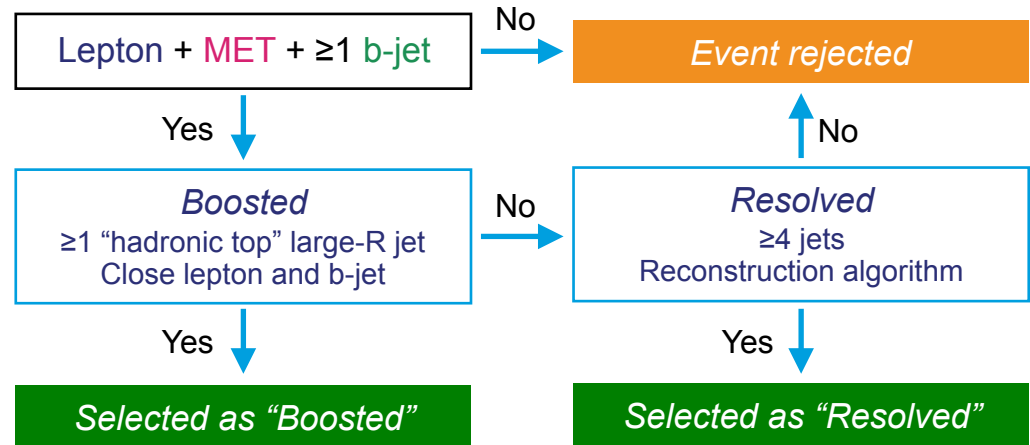
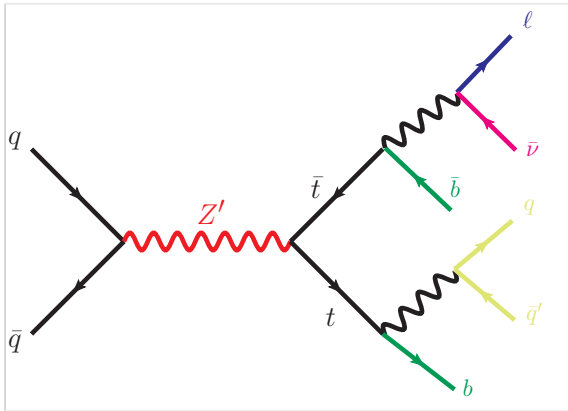
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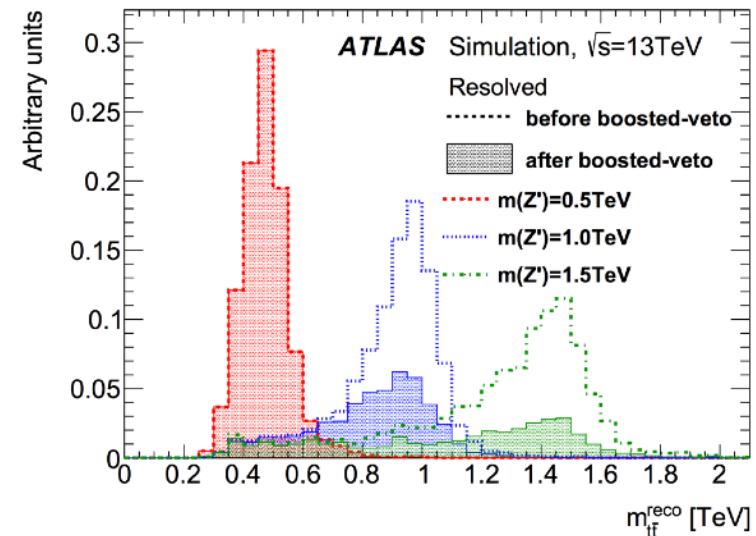
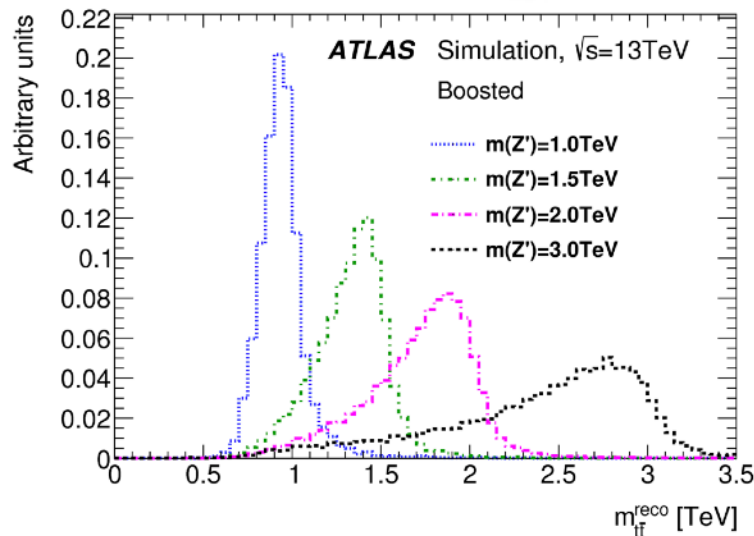
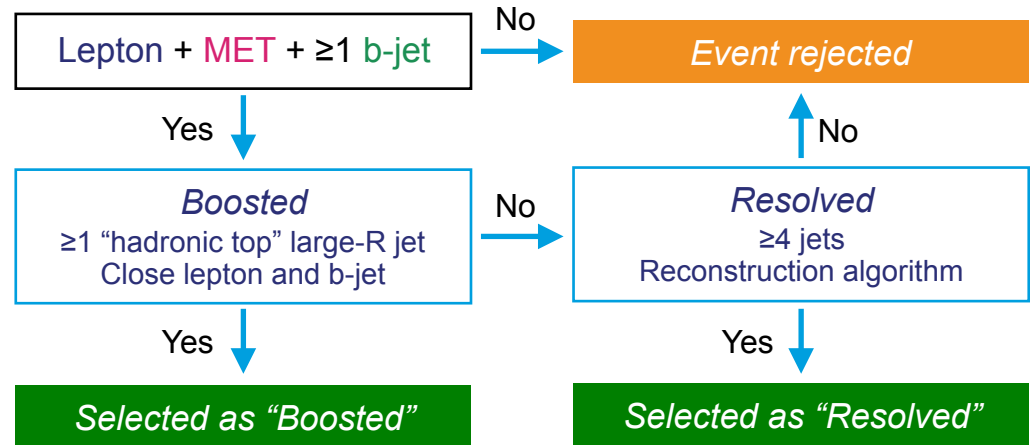
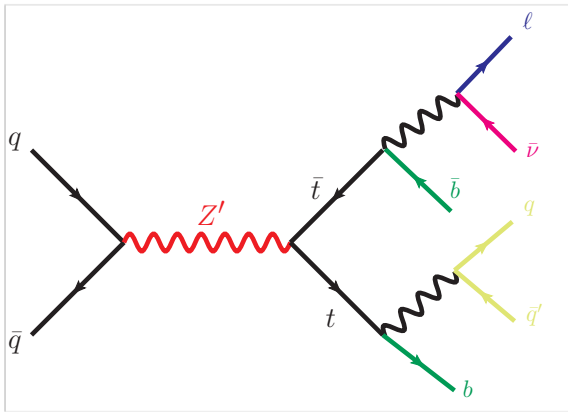
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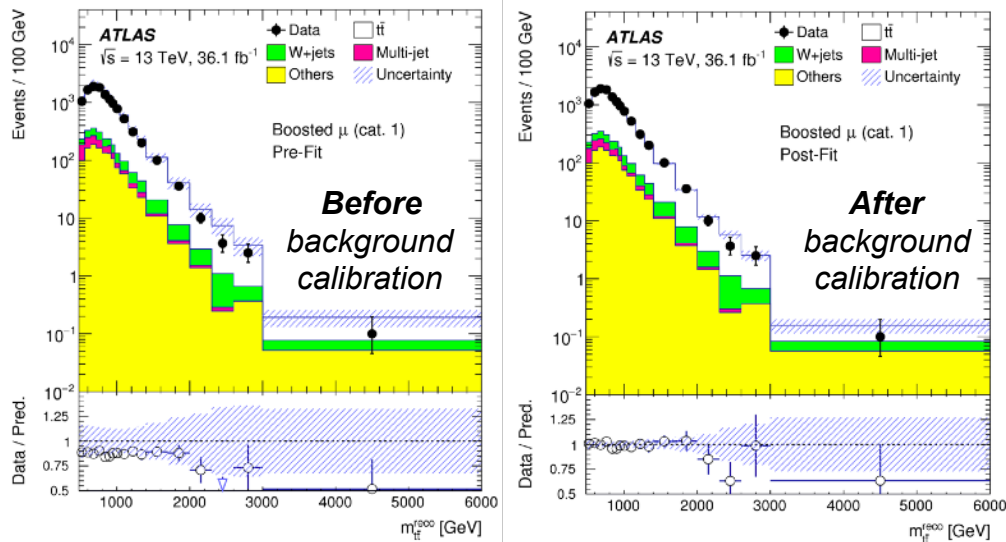


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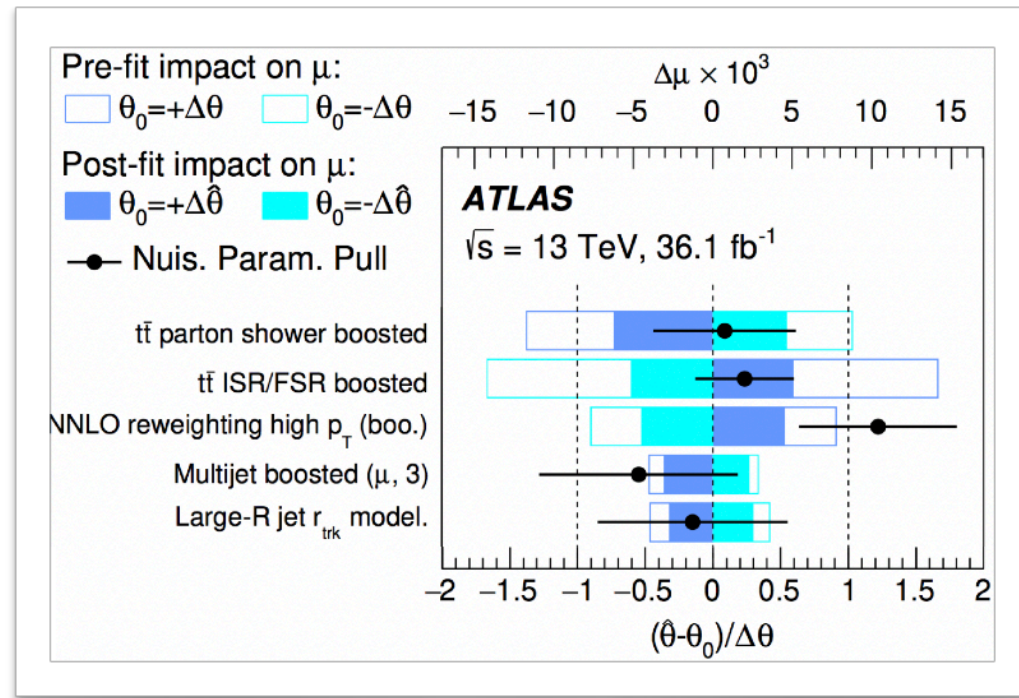


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- Background estimate **parameters**
 - Background **normalisation**
 - MC generator **settings**
 - **Alternative** generators
- Background calibration
 - **Background model fit to data**



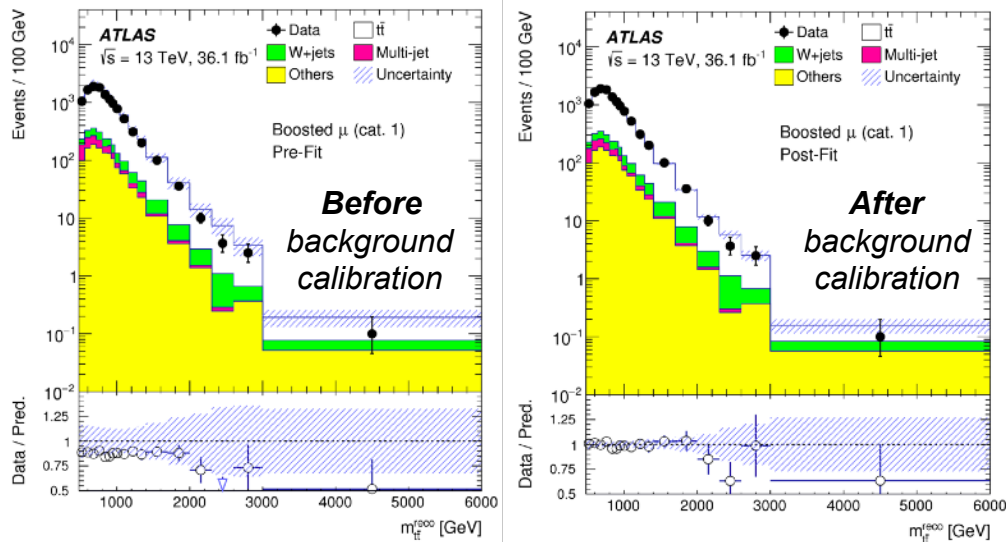
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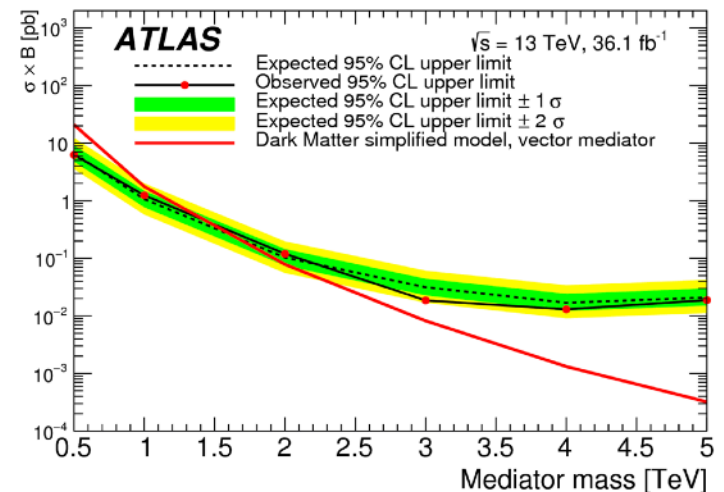
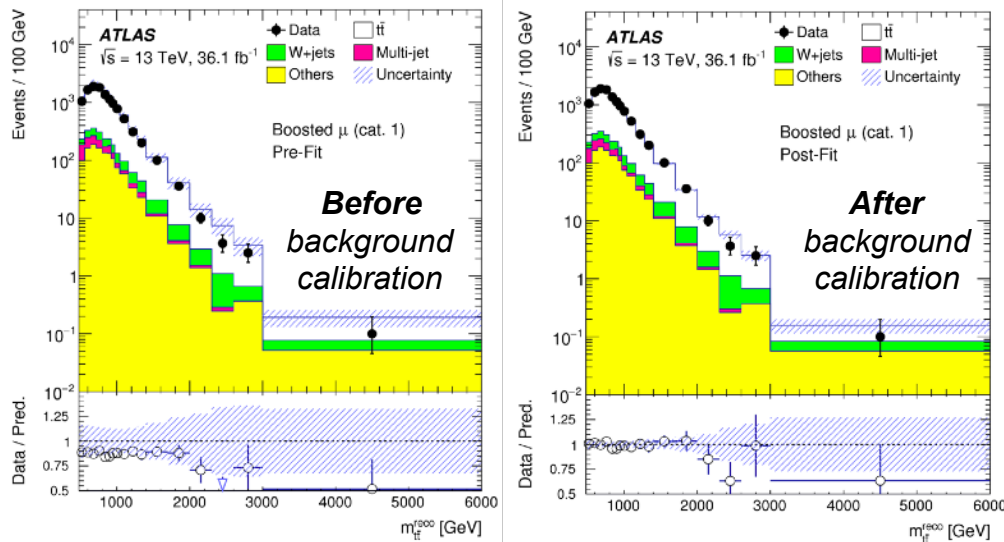


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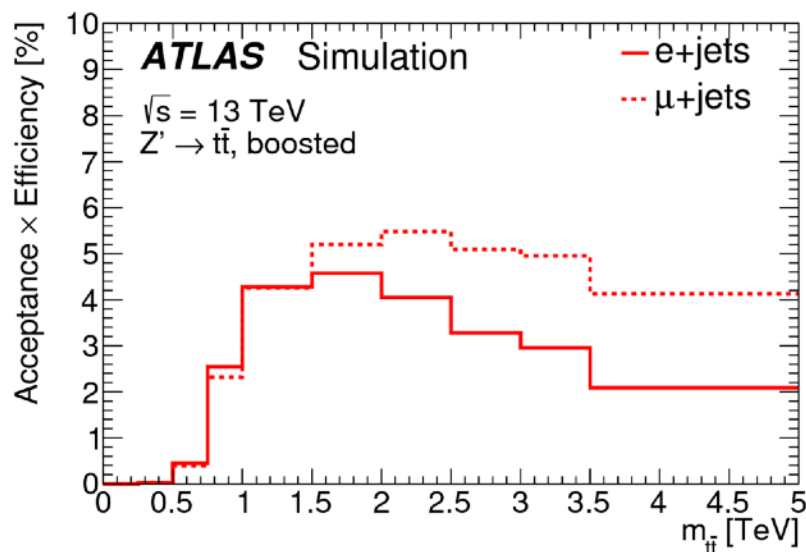
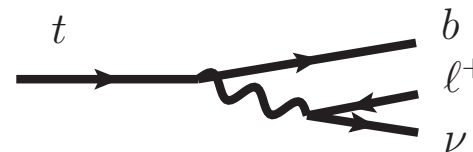
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- Bumps searched for in all channels → **no significant bump observed**
- CL_s limits set at 95% CL for various **models**, **masses** and **widths**



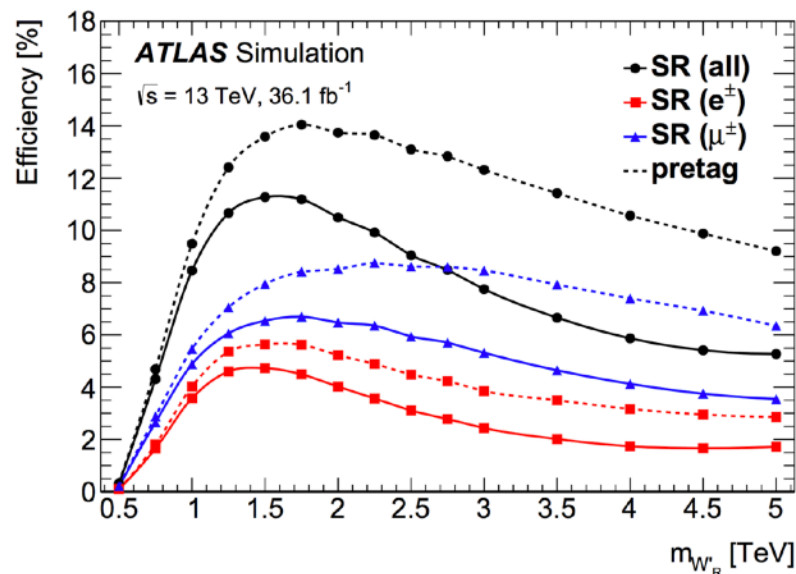
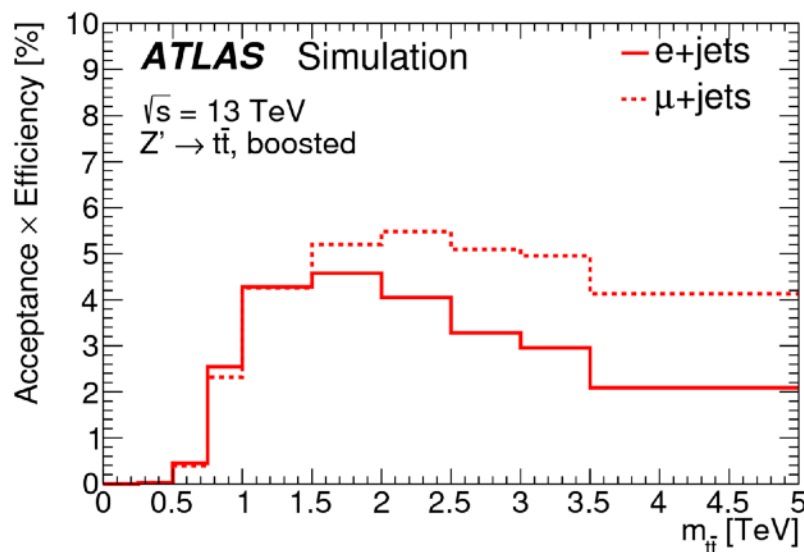
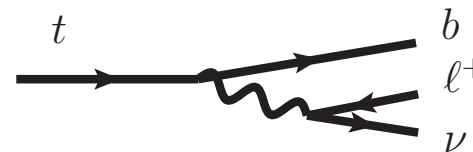
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- **Improvements** ongoing for next generation (e.g. [ATL-PHYS-PUB-2017-013](#))

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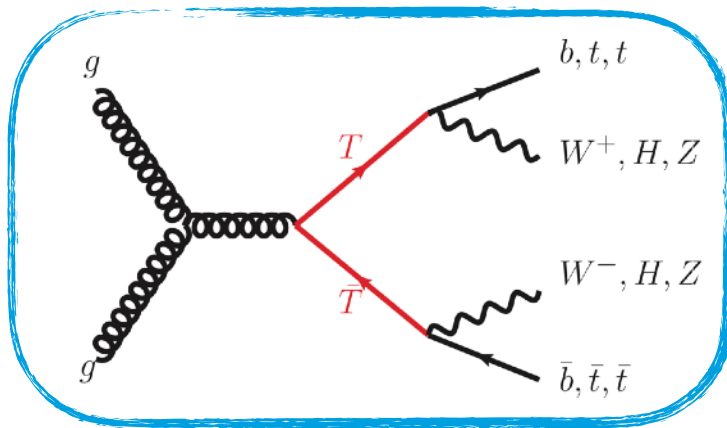
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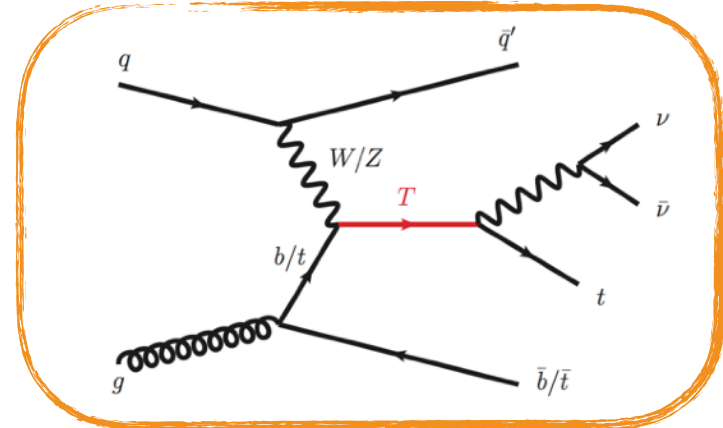
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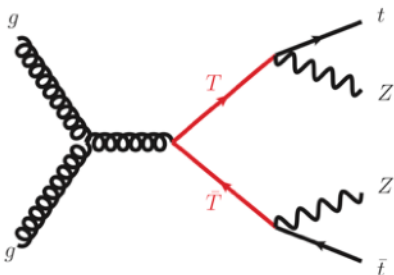
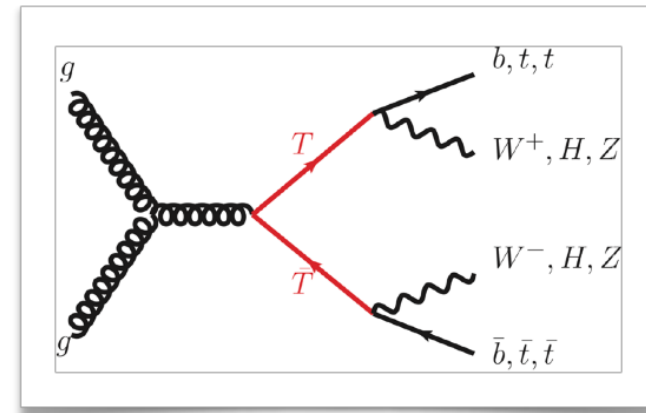
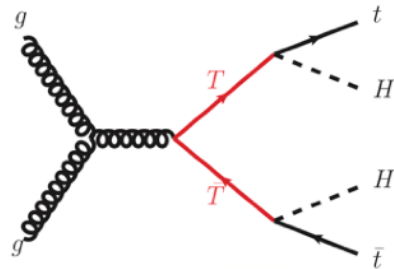
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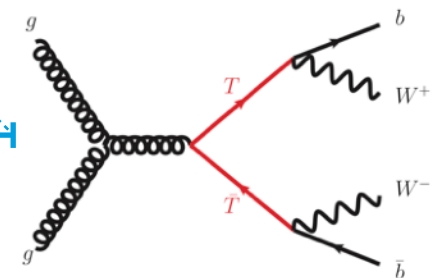
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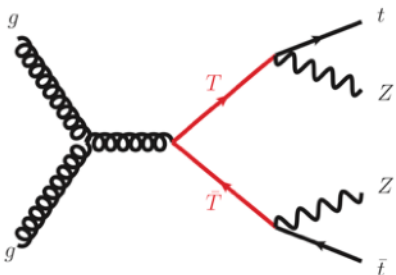
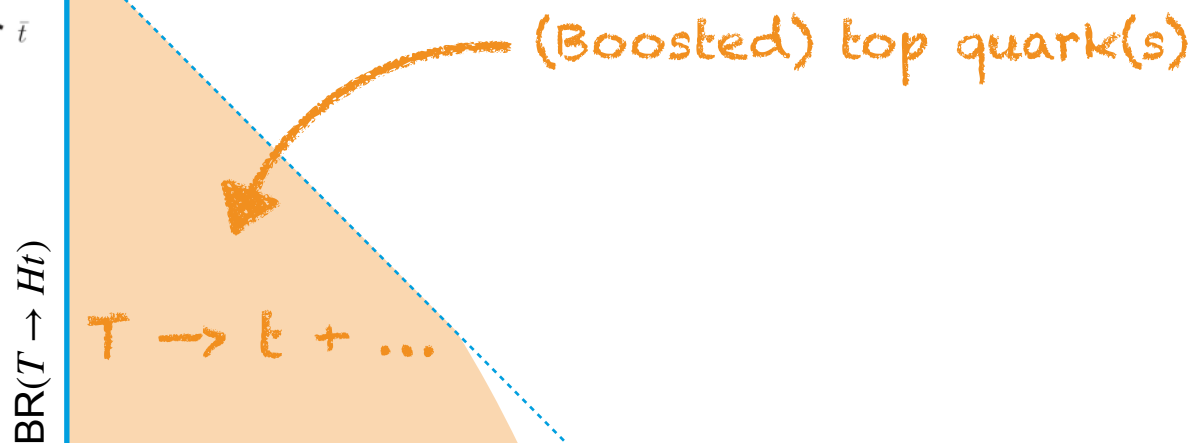
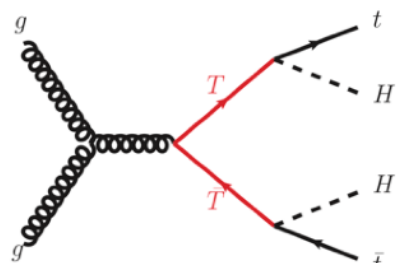
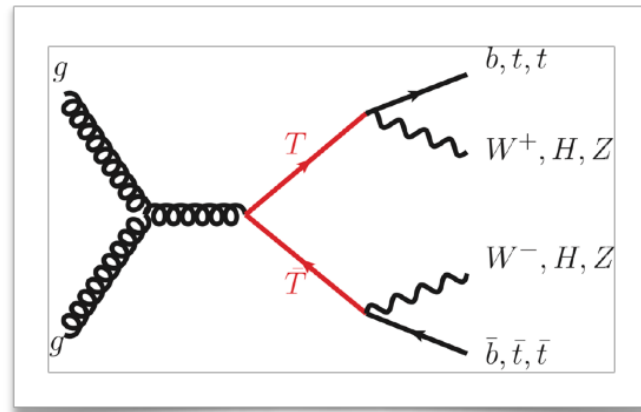


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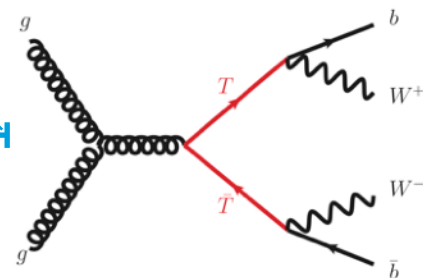


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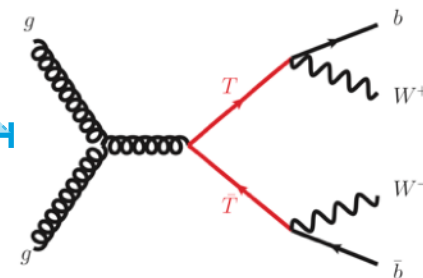
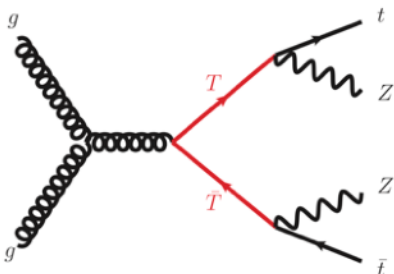
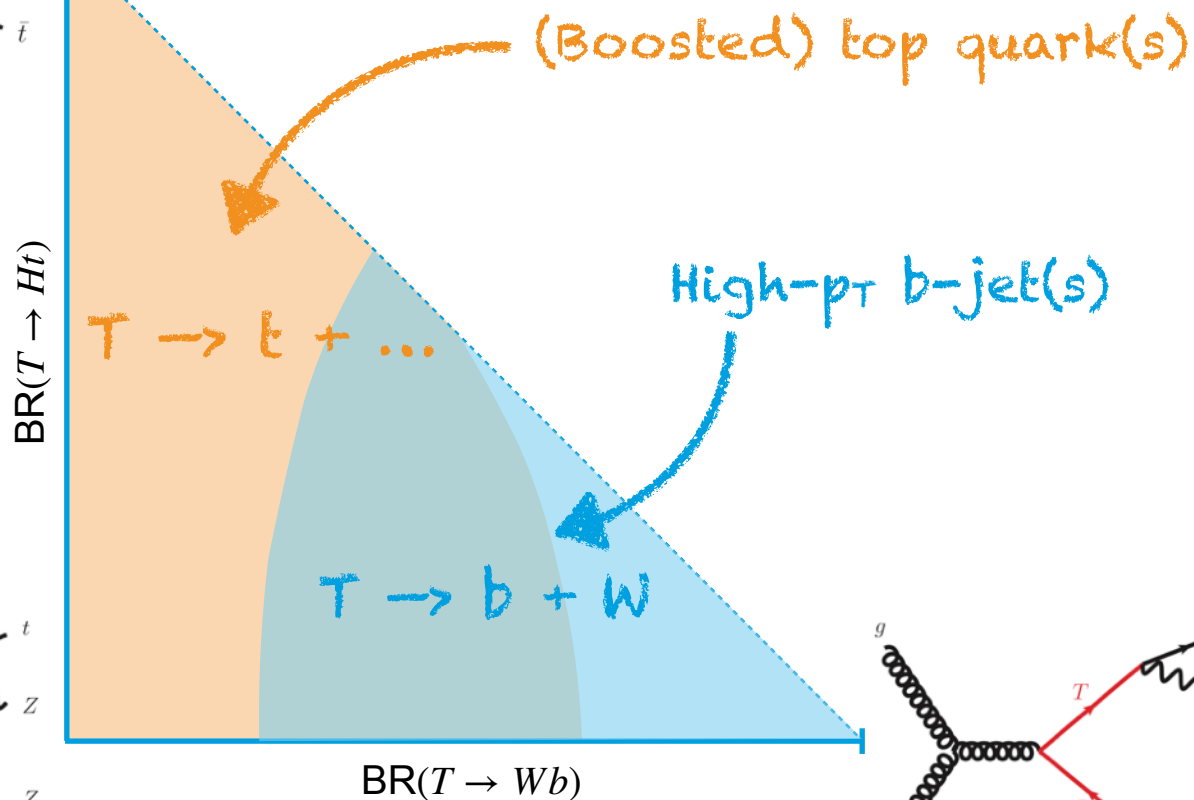
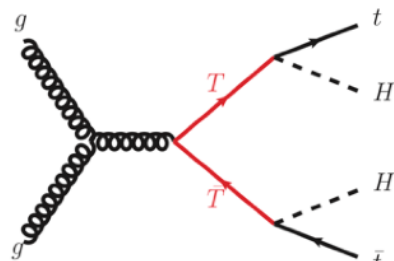
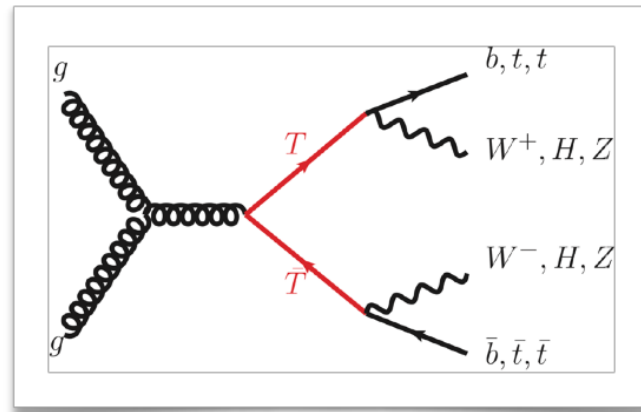


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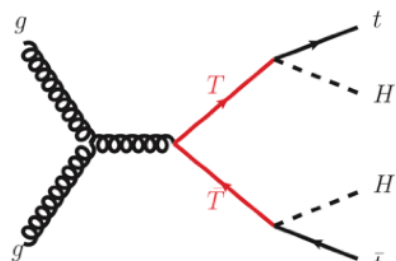
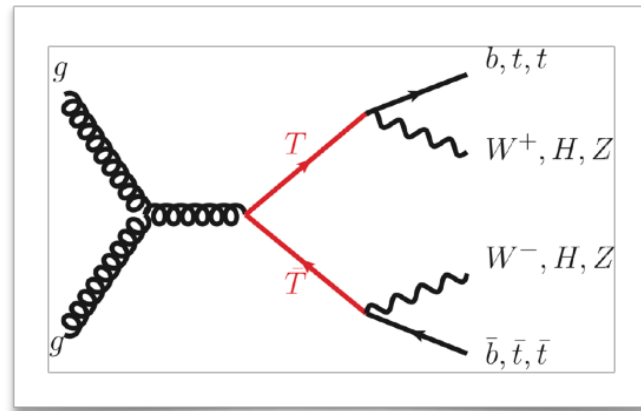
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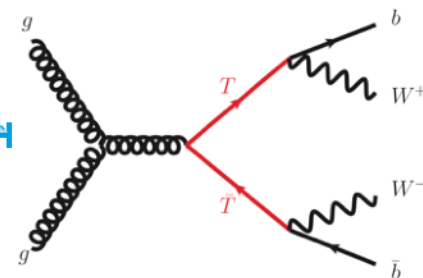
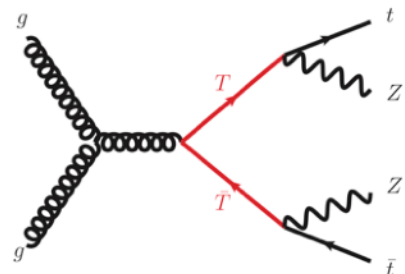
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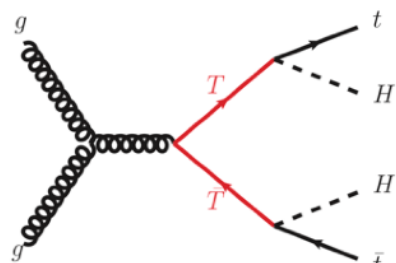
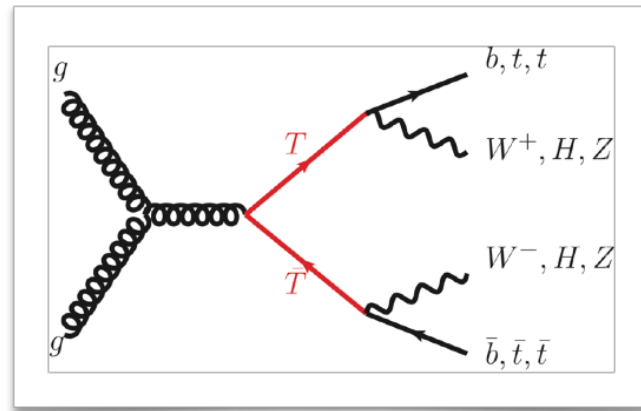
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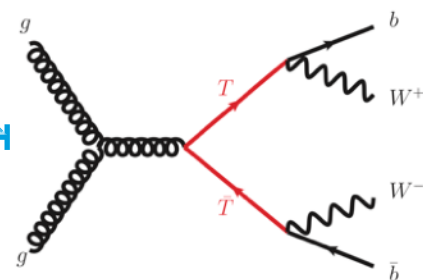
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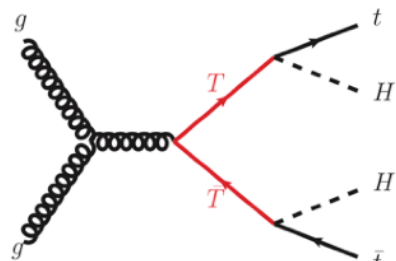
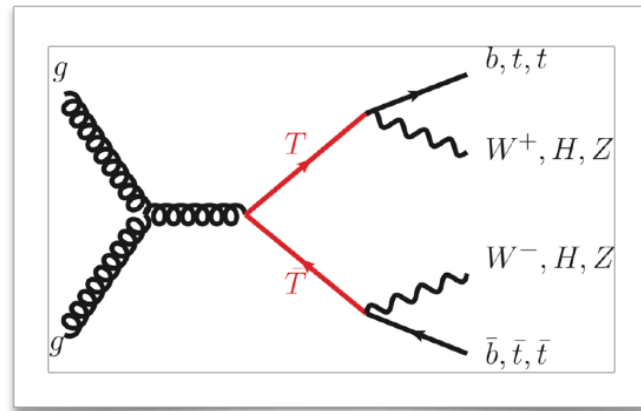
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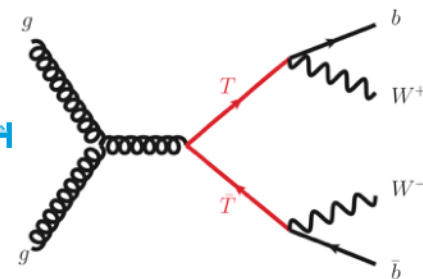
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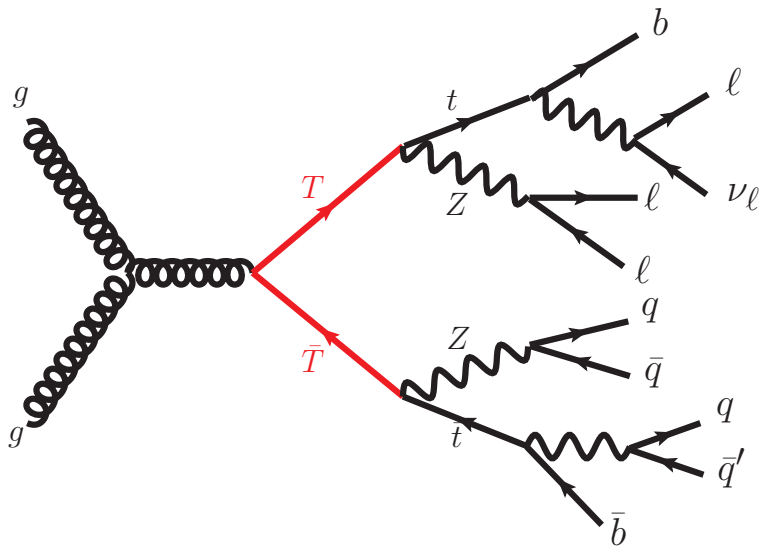


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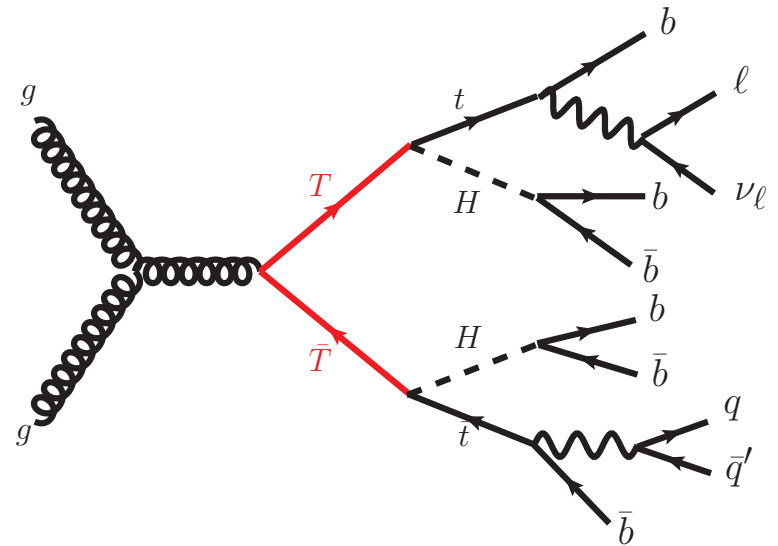
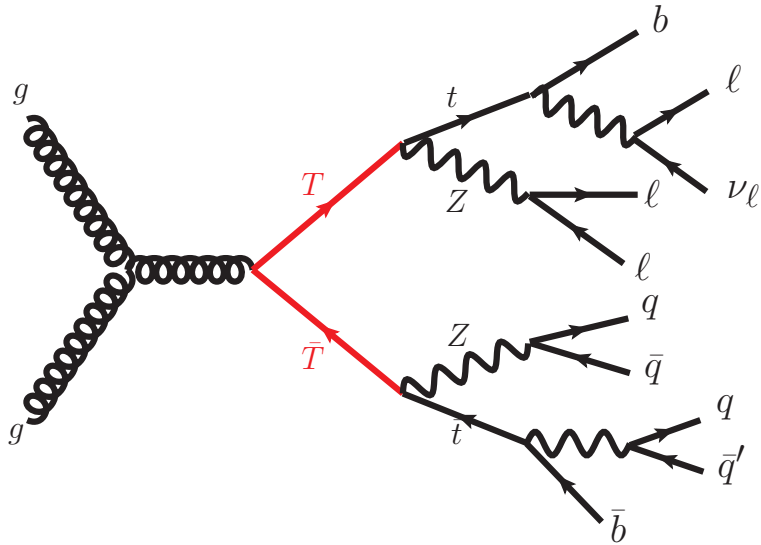
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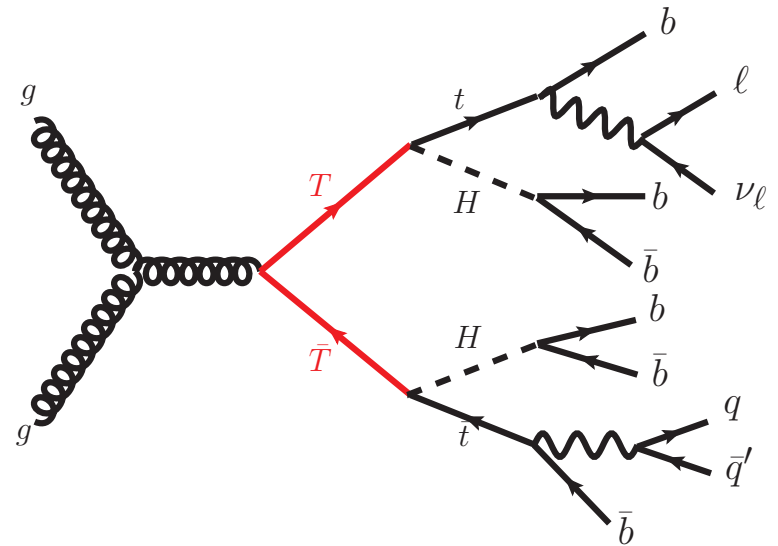
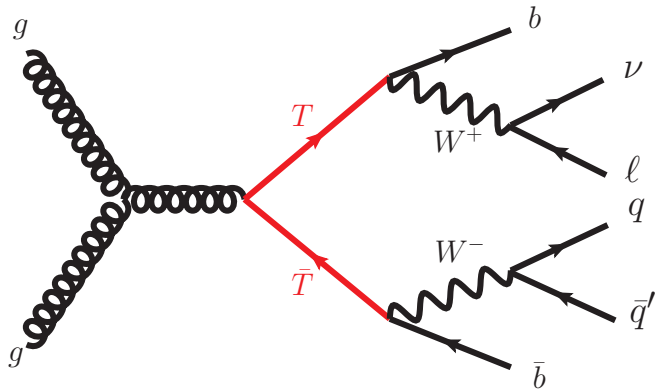
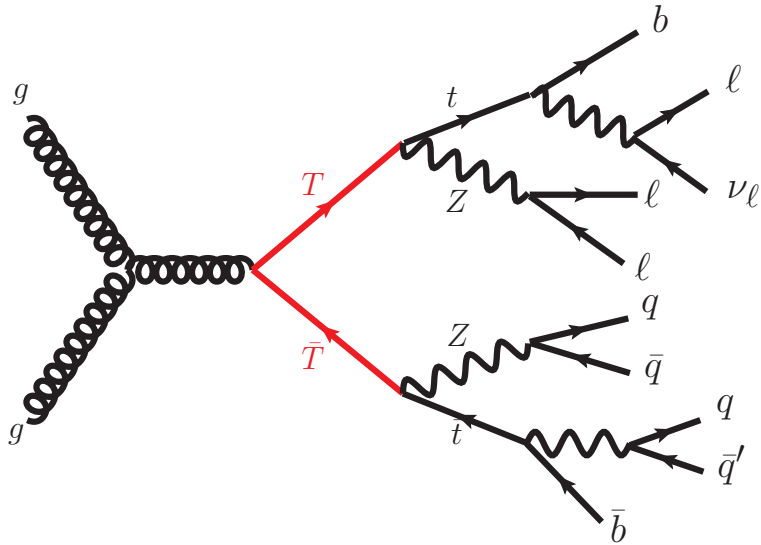
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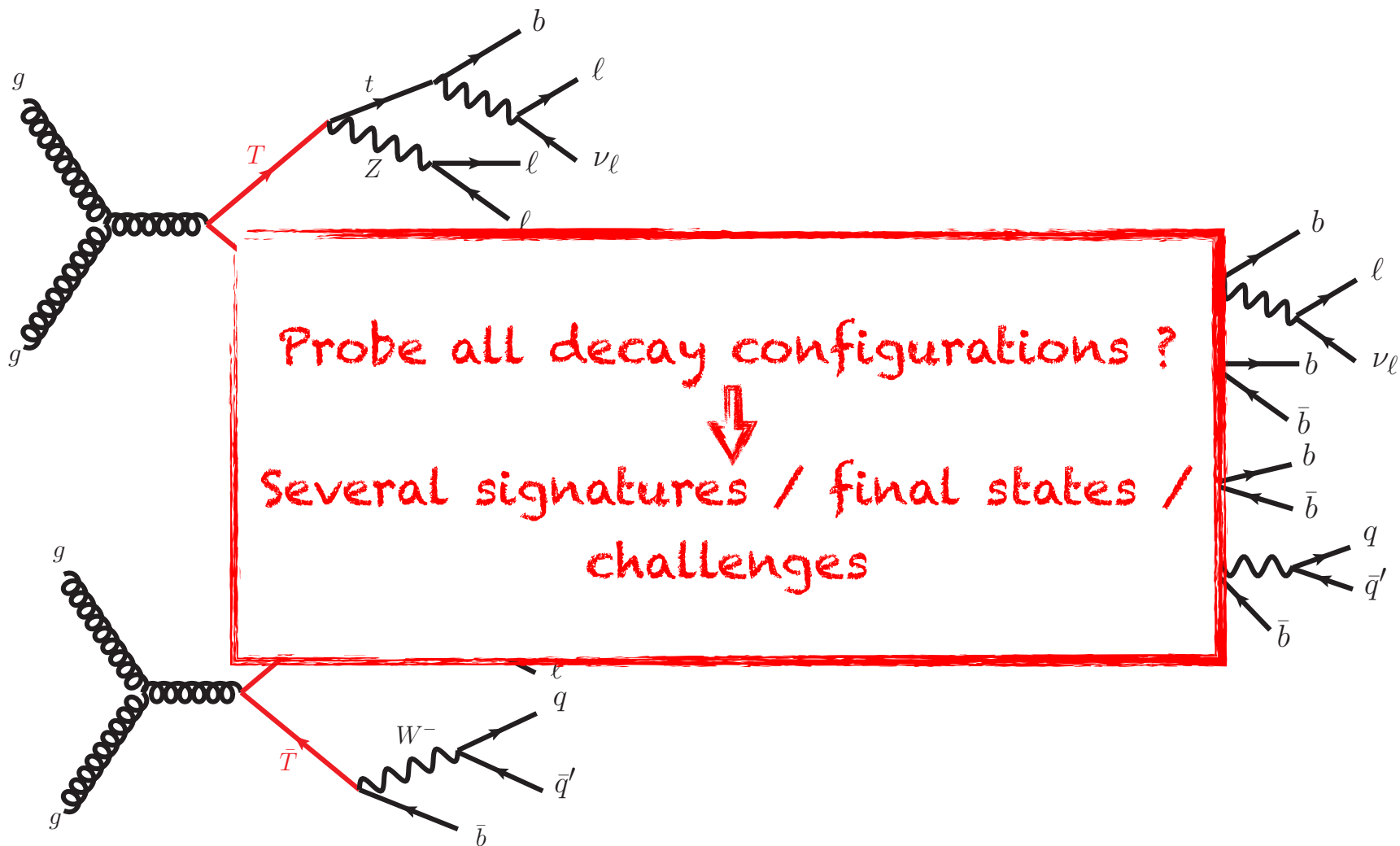
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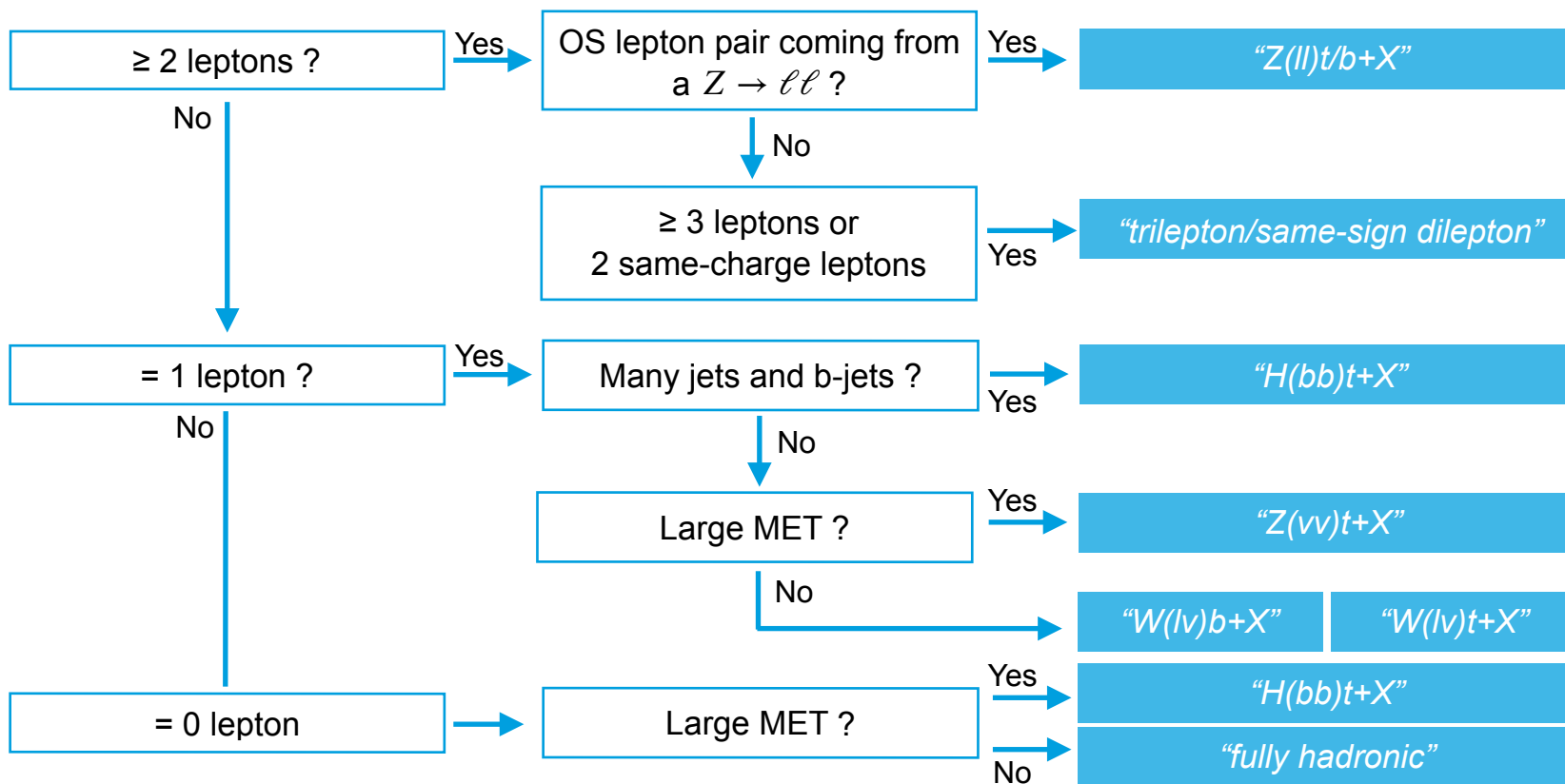
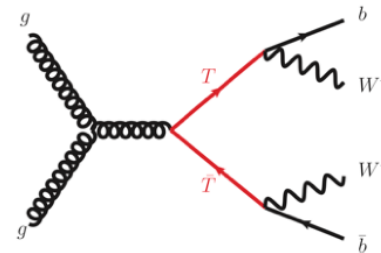
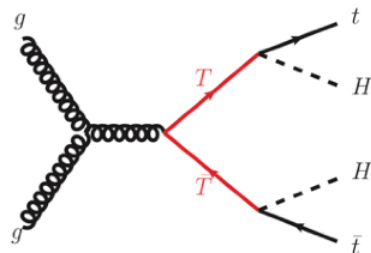
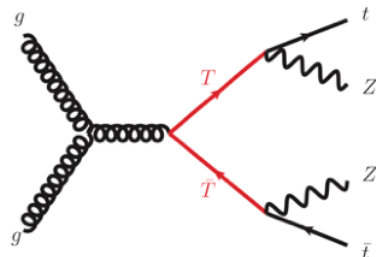


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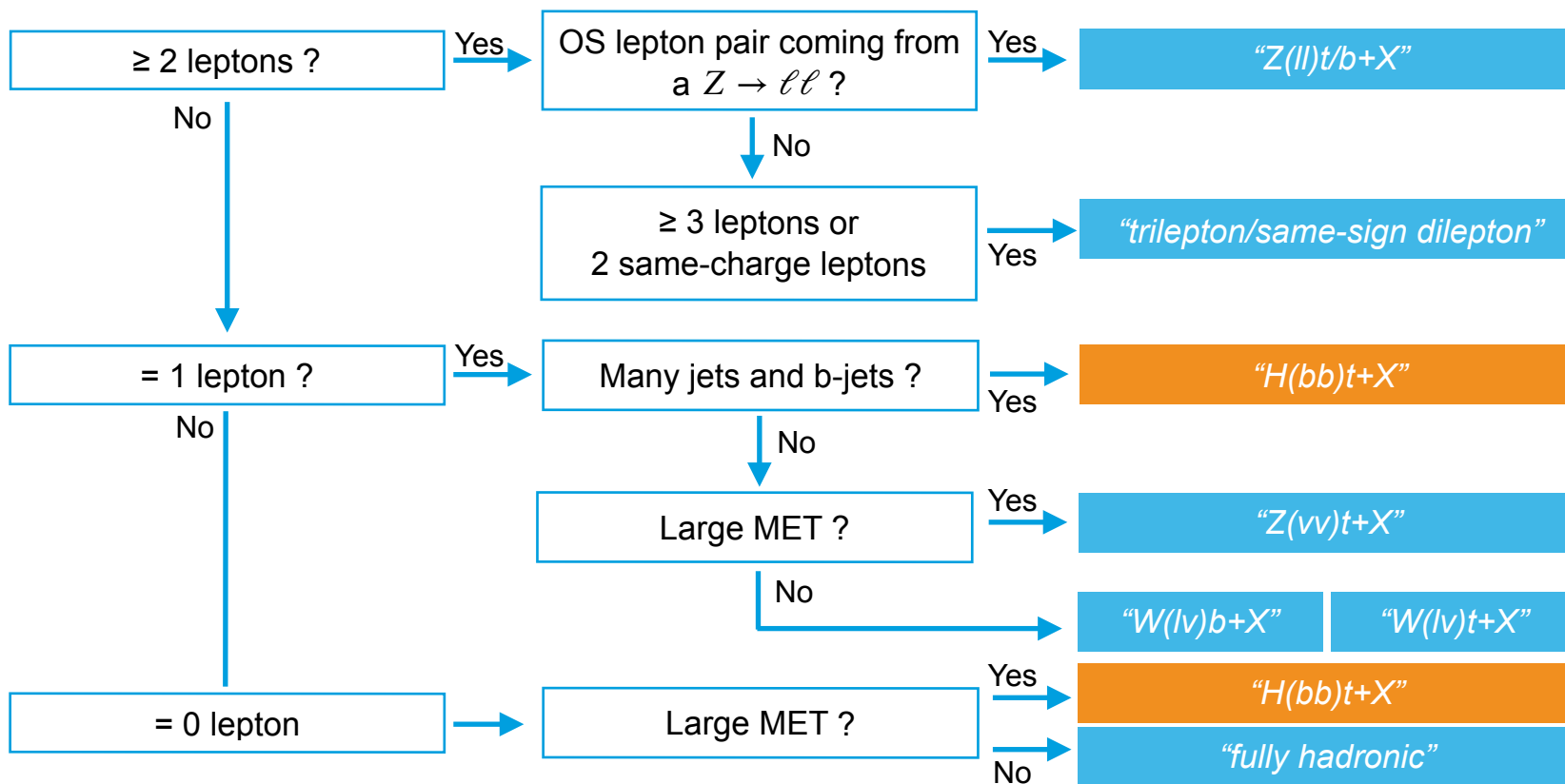
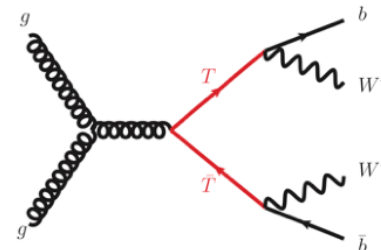
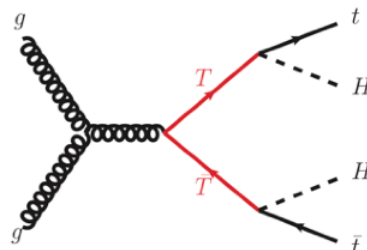
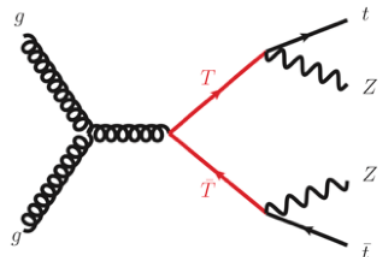
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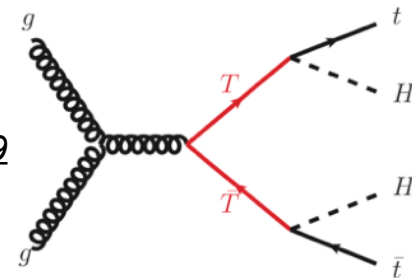
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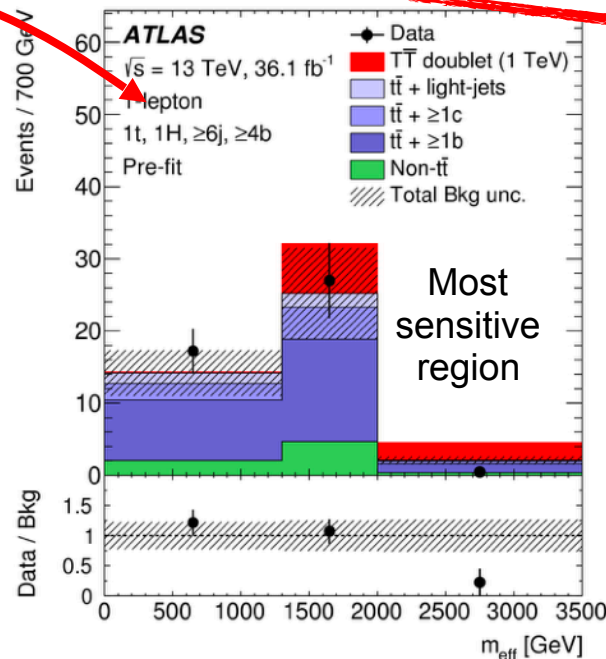
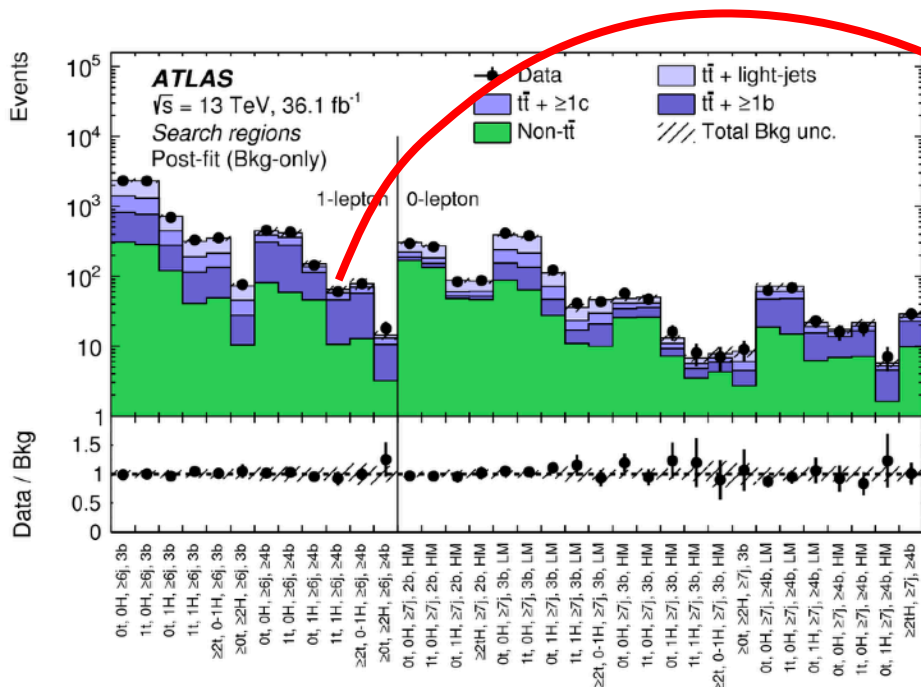
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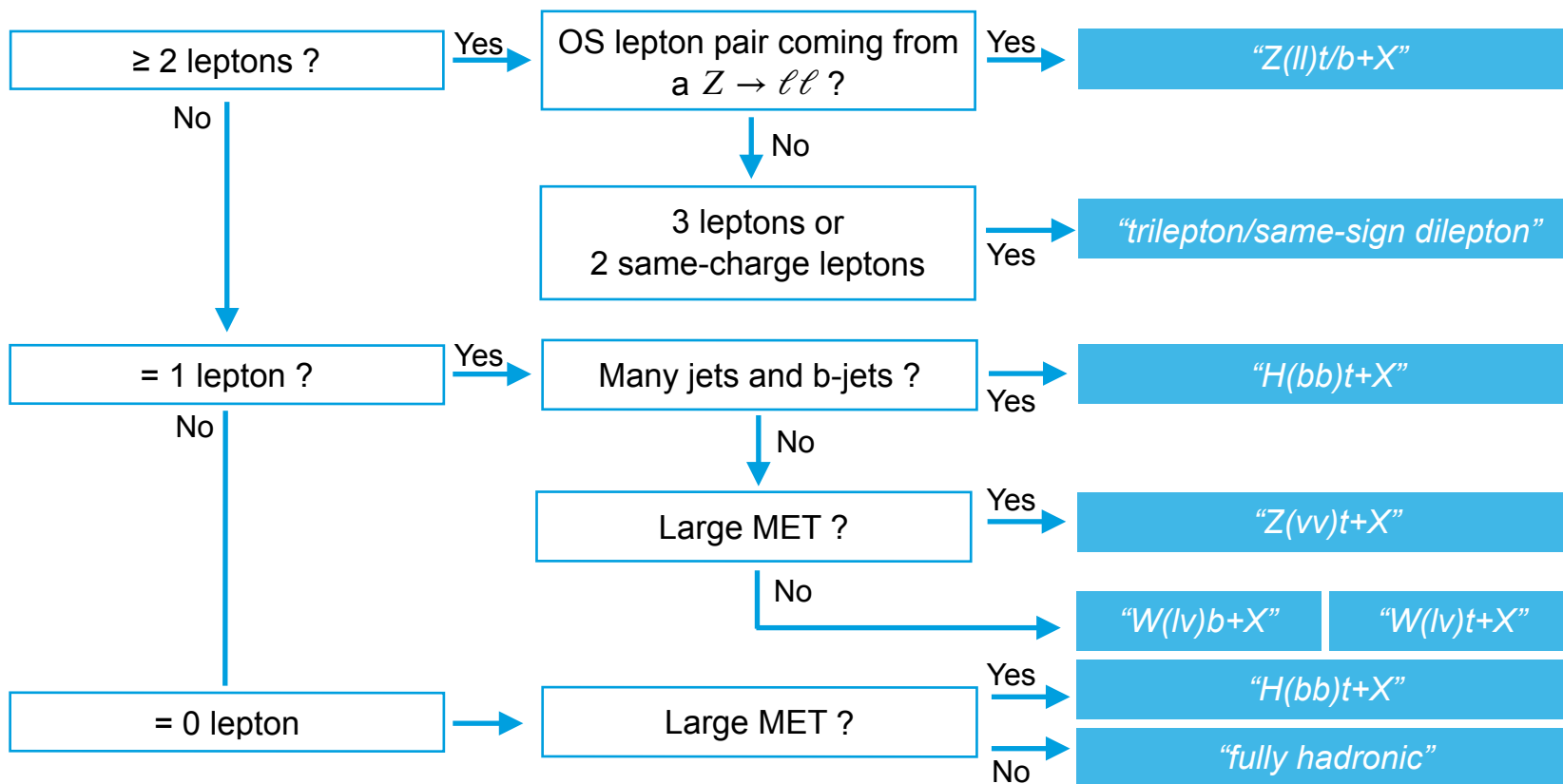
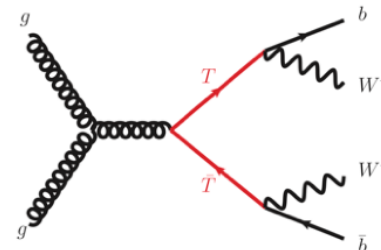
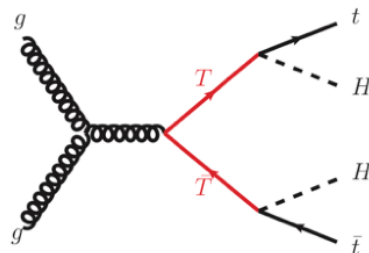
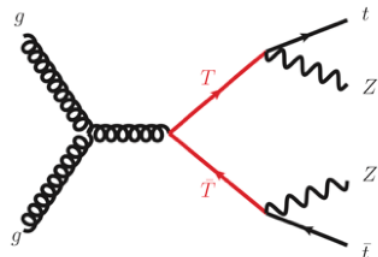
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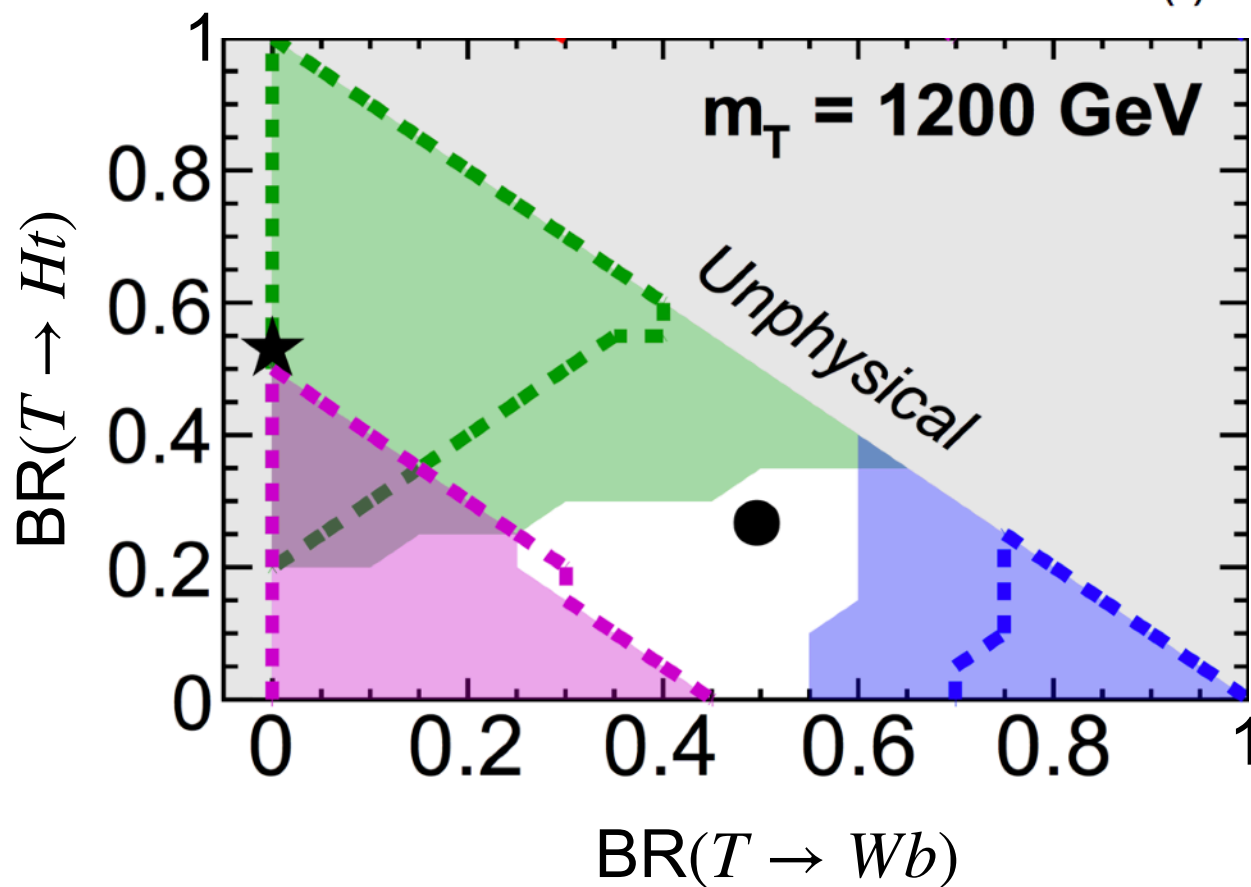
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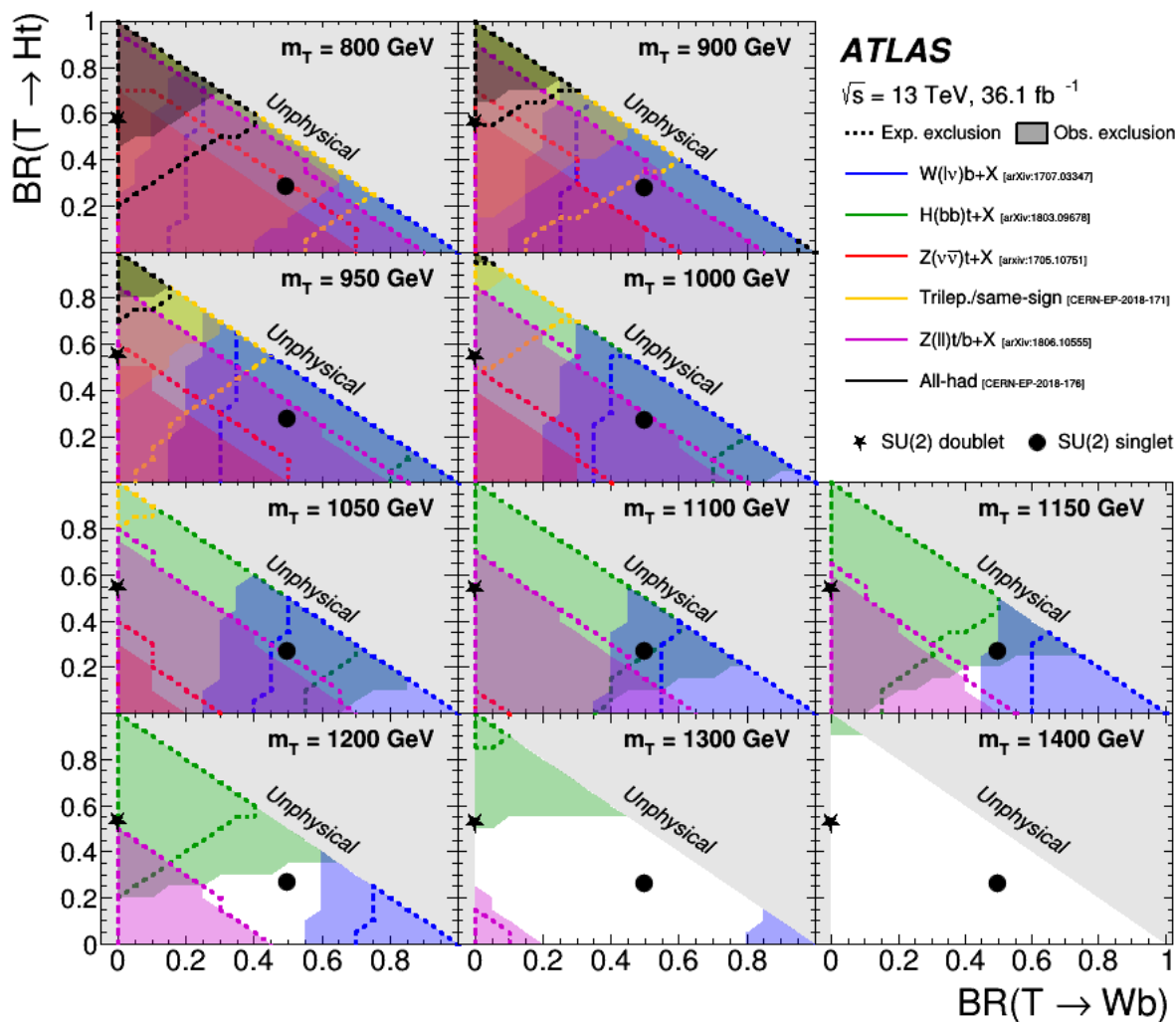
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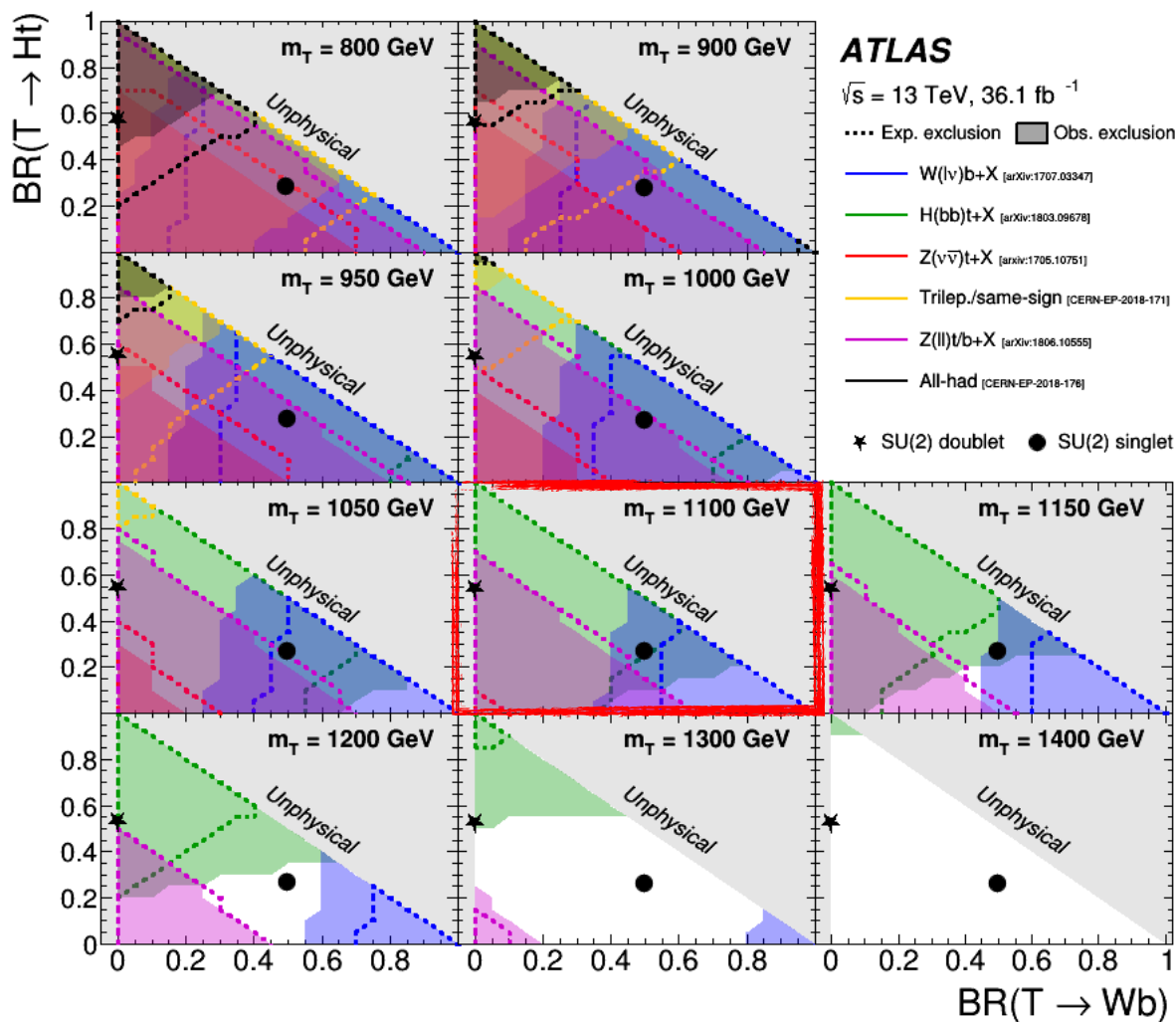
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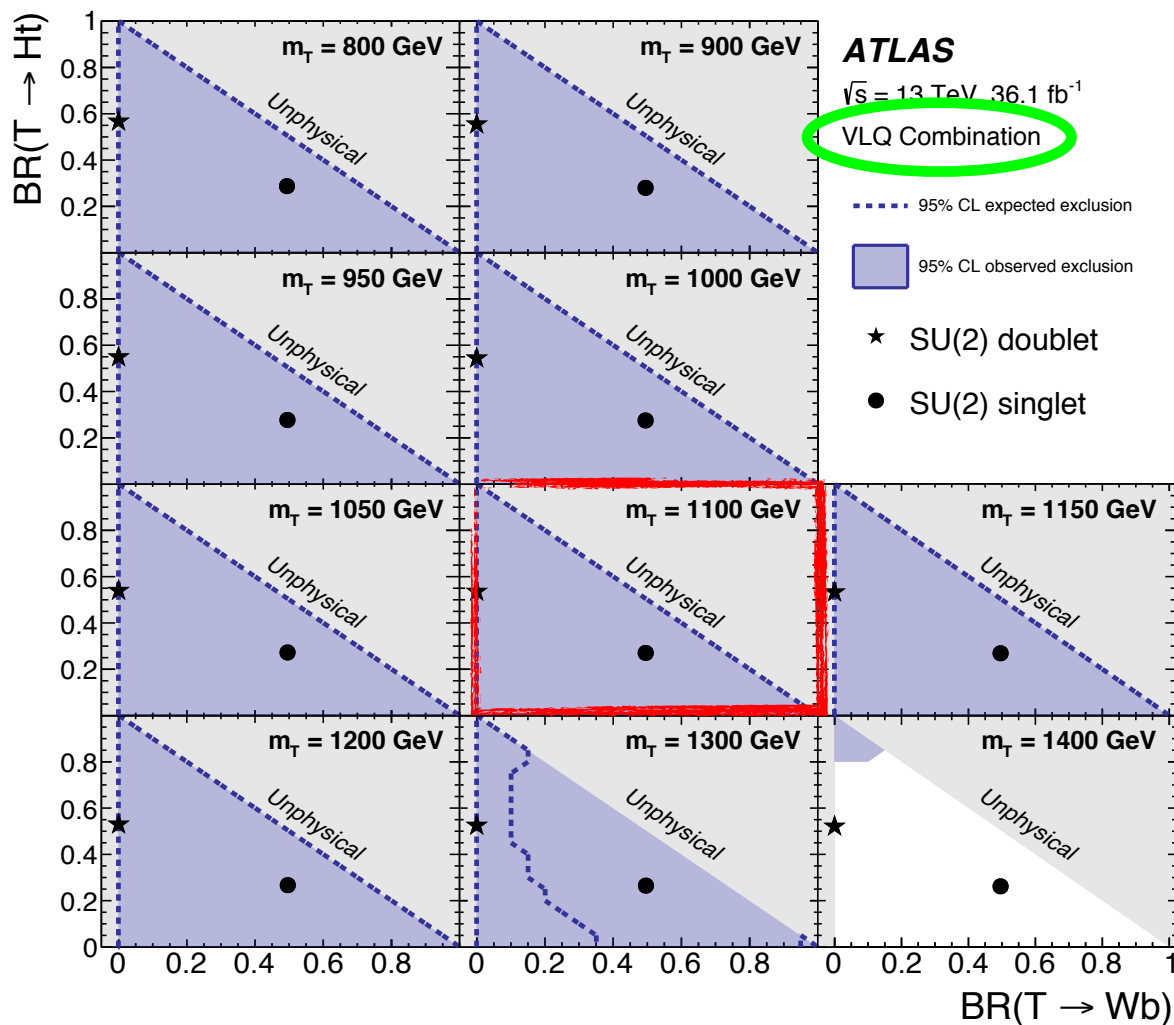


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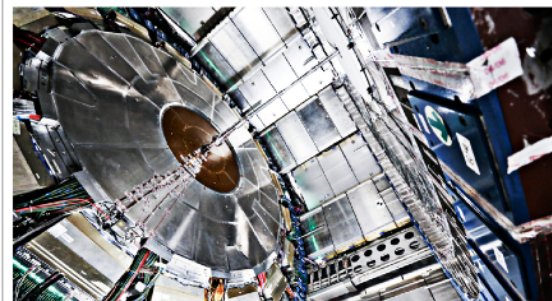


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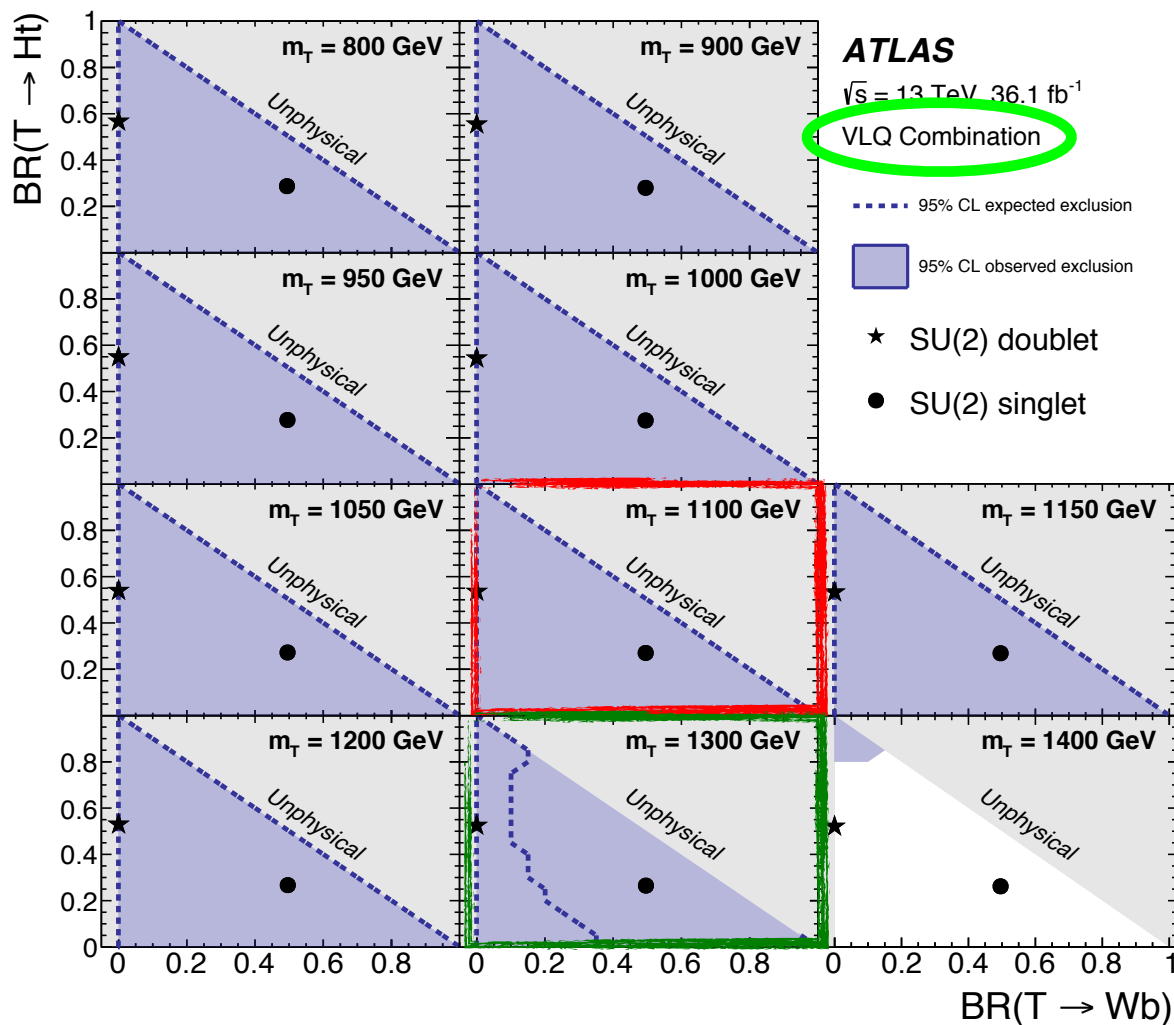
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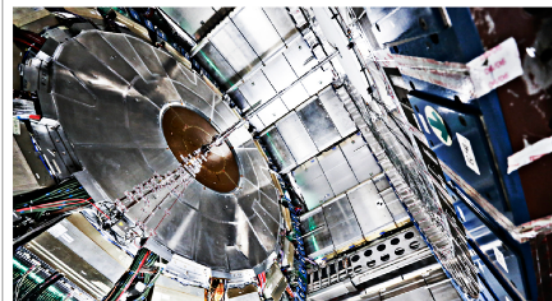


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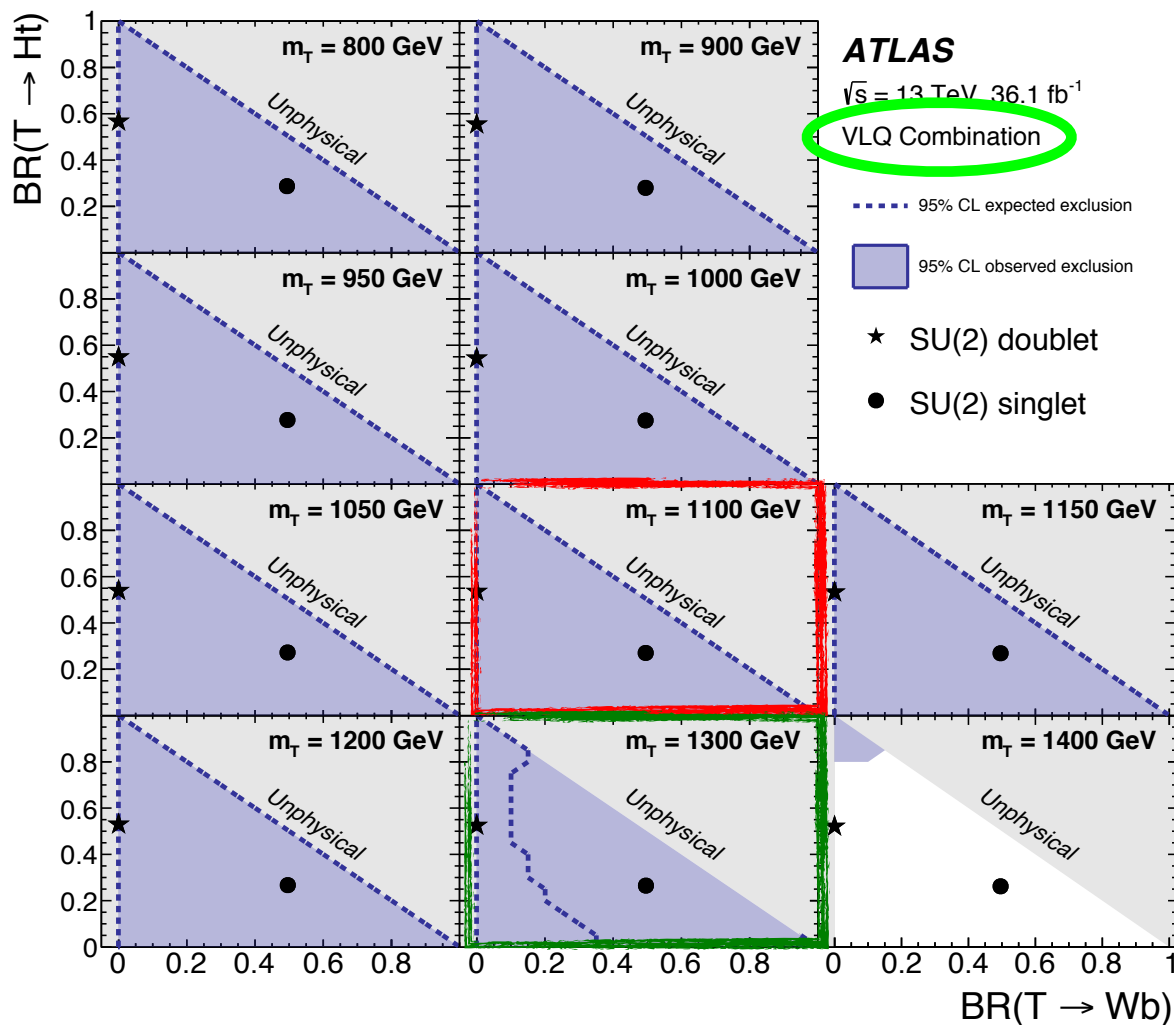
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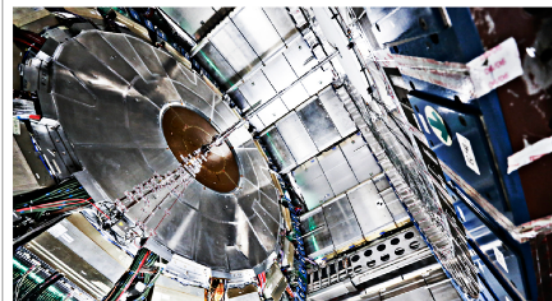


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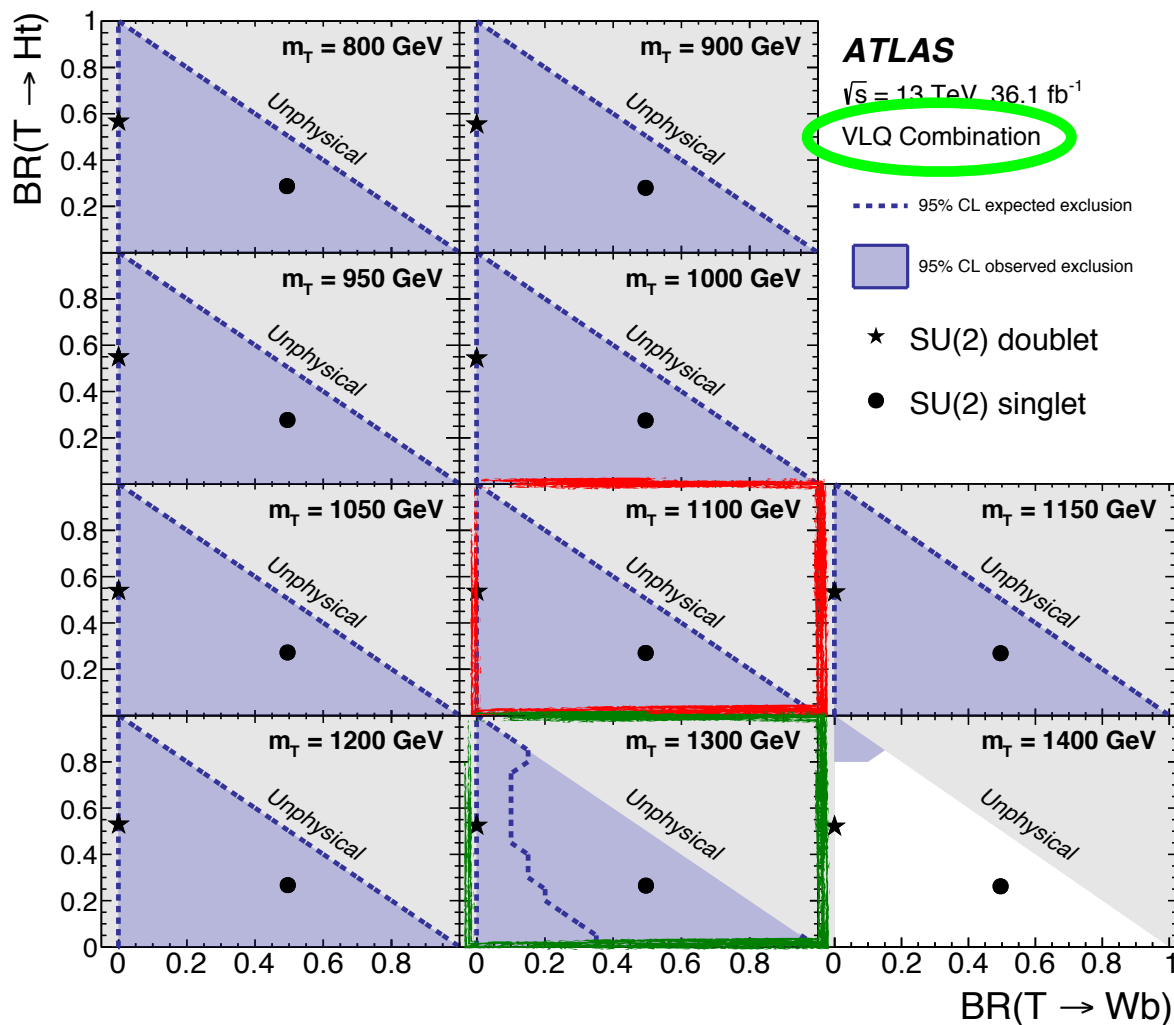


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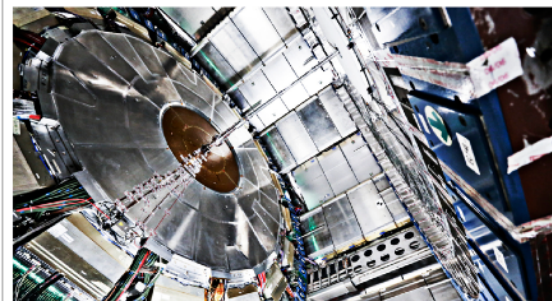


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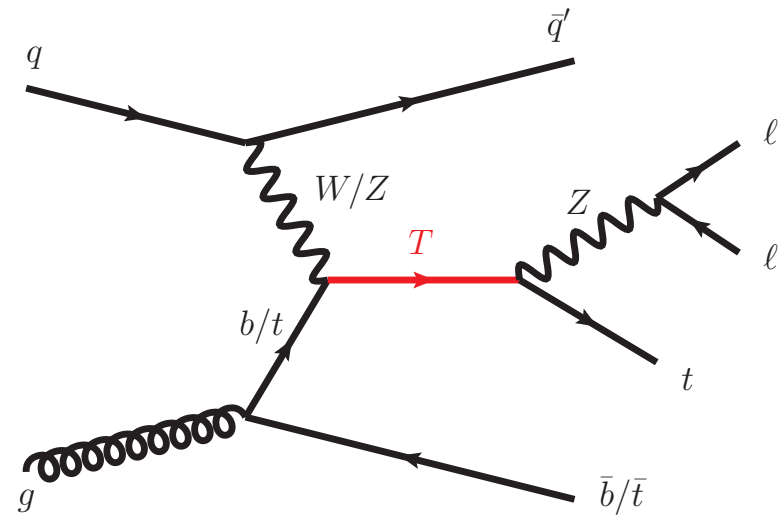
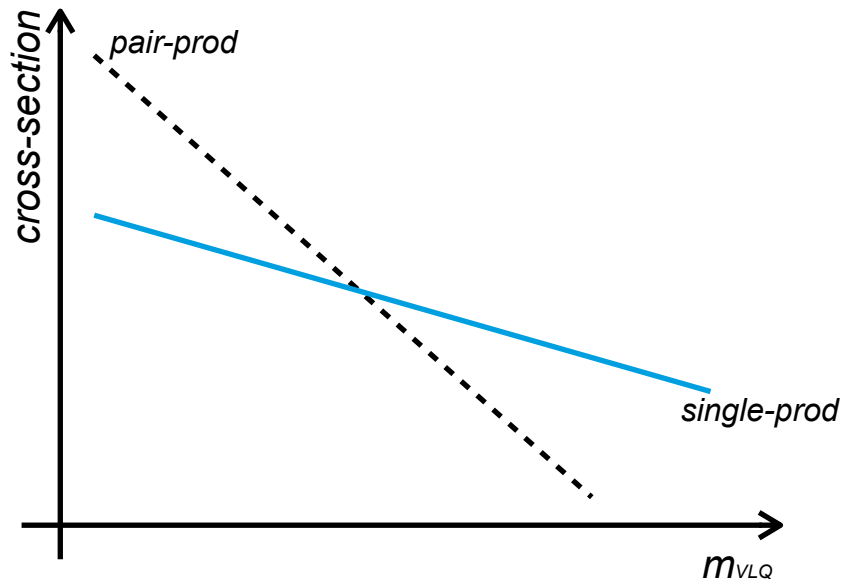
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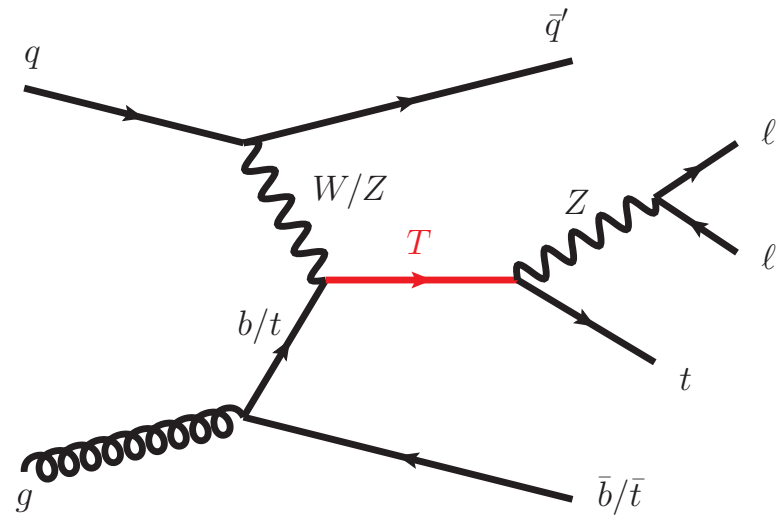
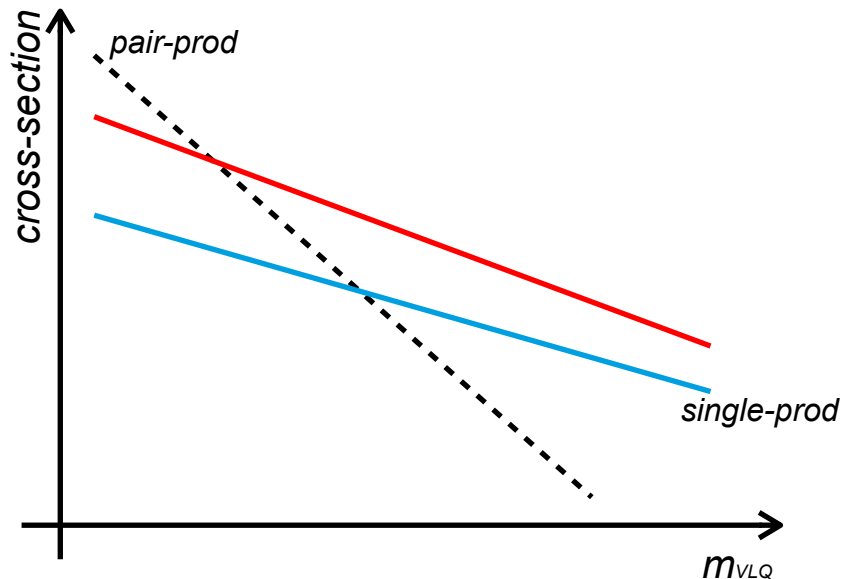
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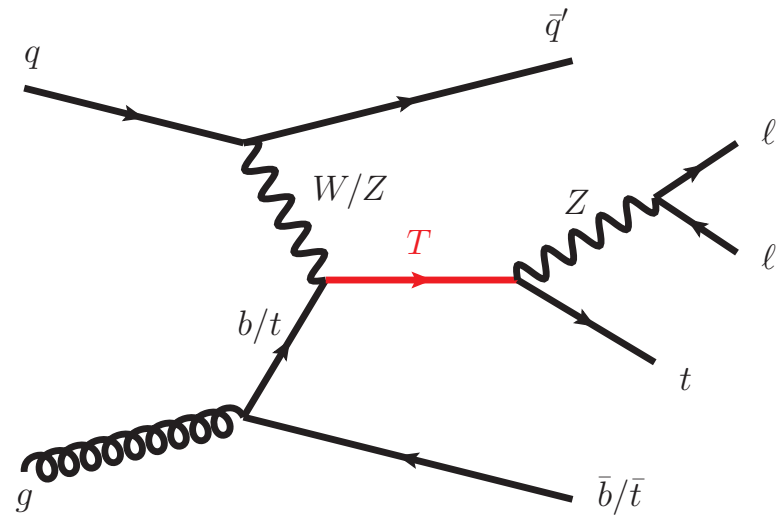
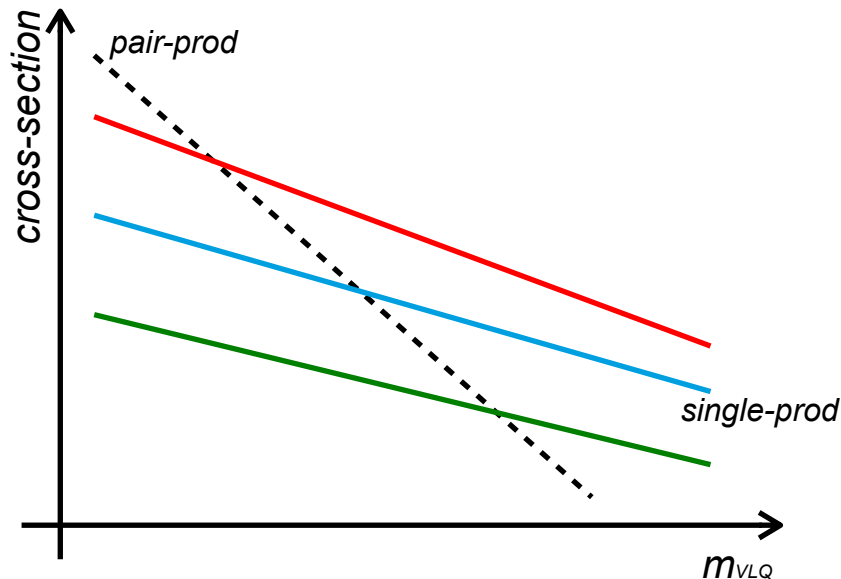
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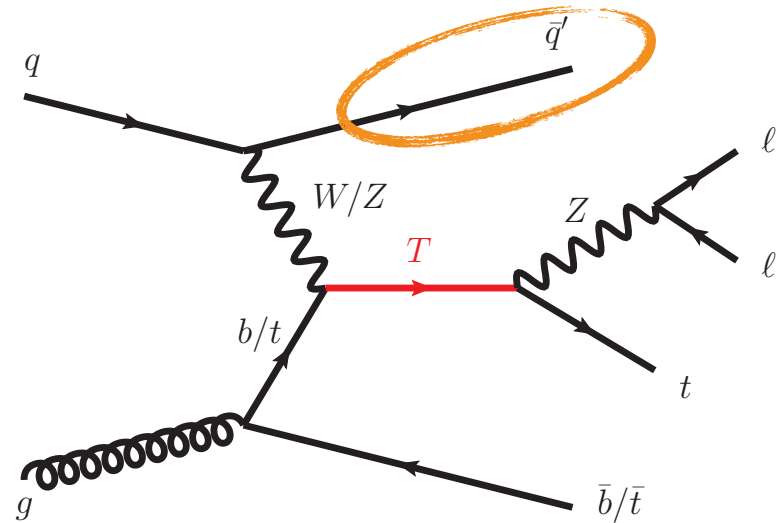
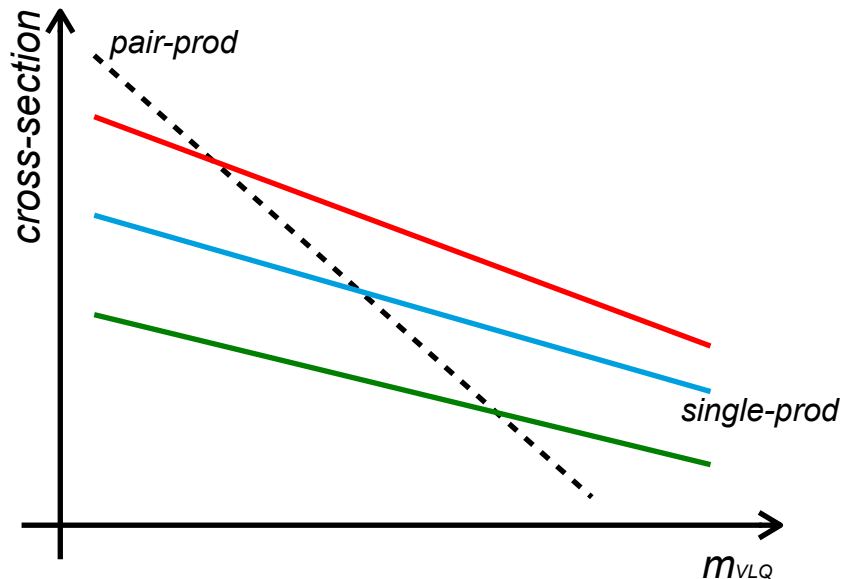
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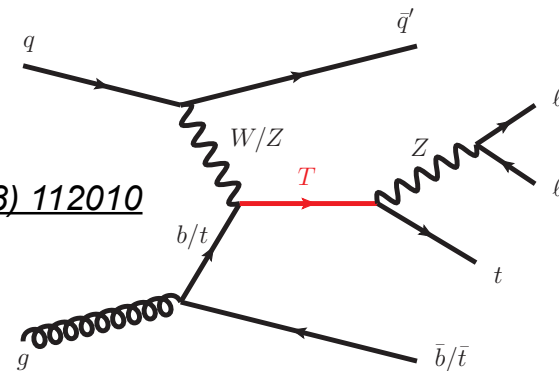
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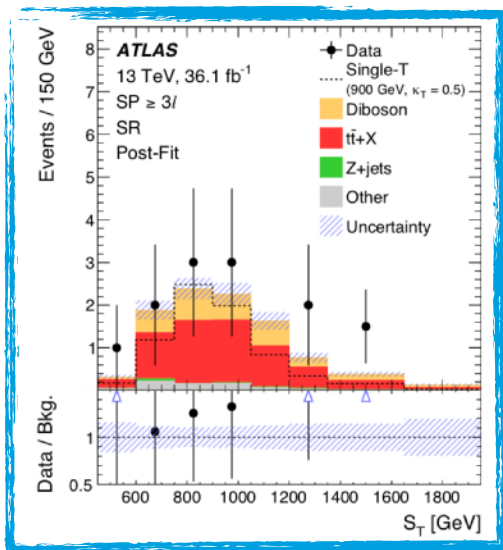
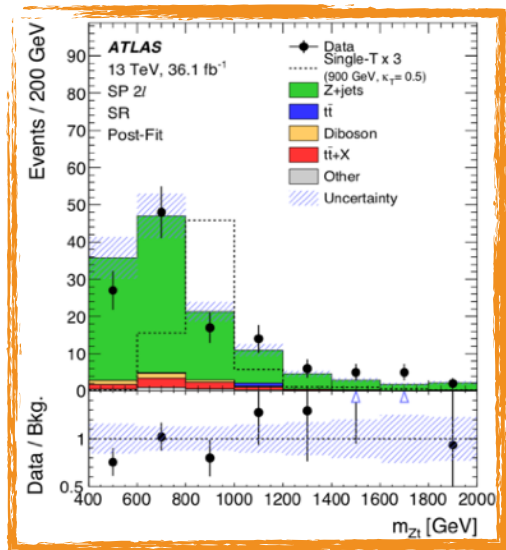
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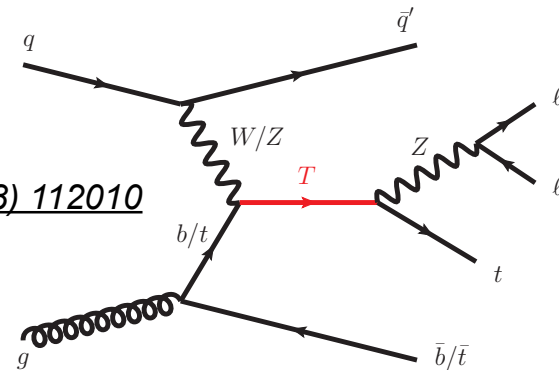


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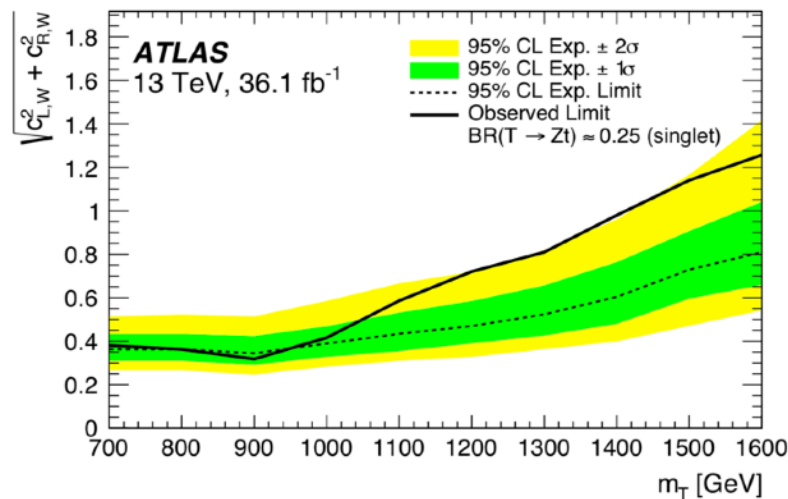
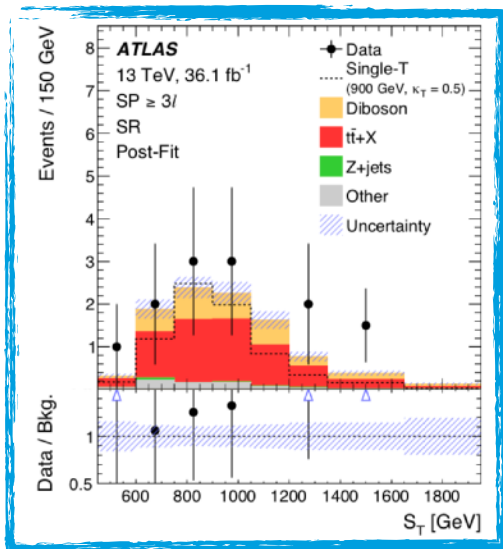
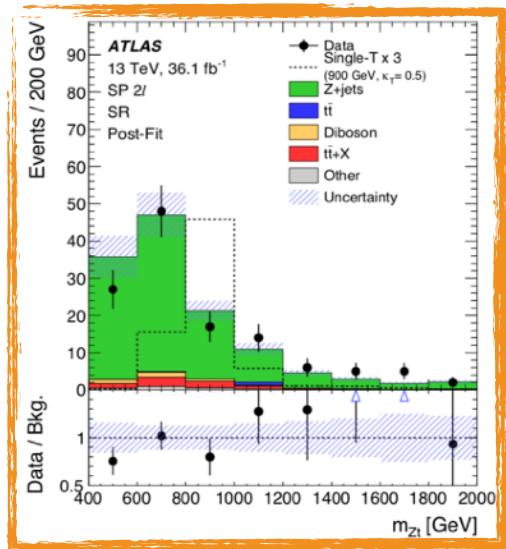
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VLQ searches: next steps ?

- 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 ?



Rare top processes

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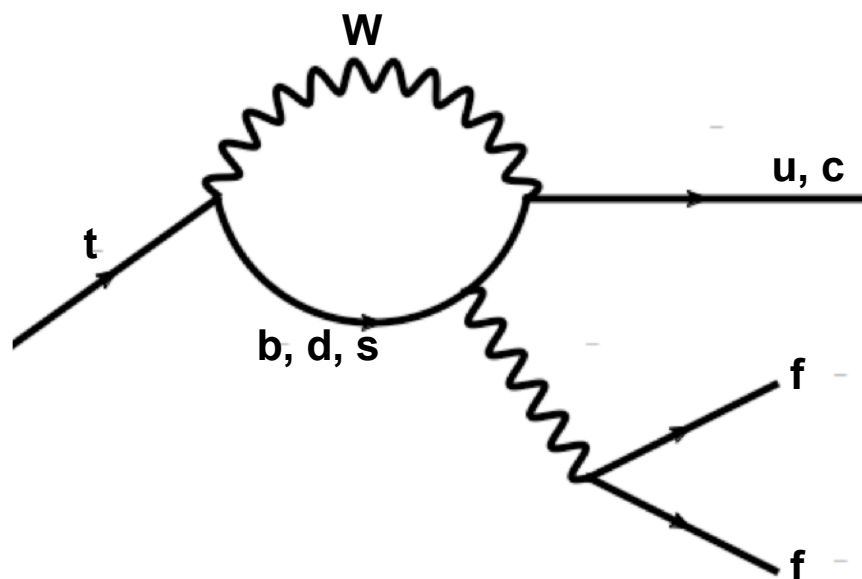
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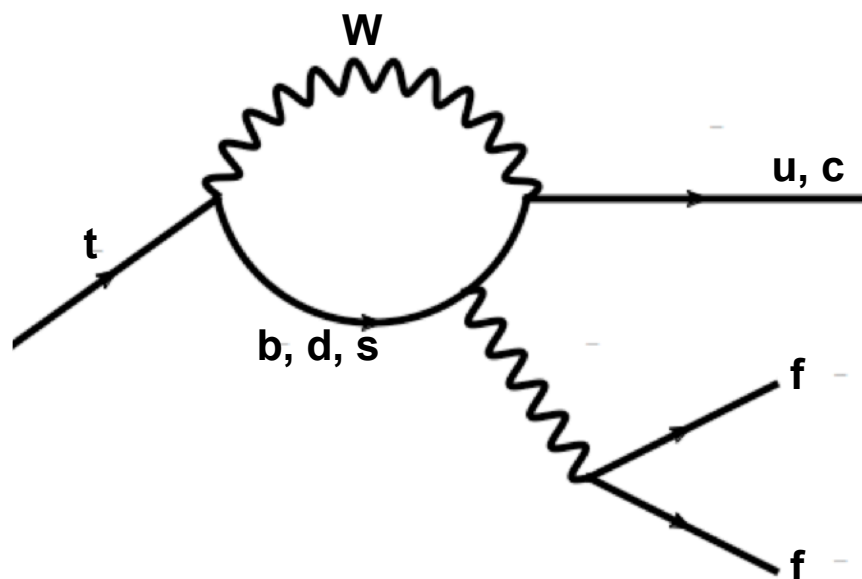
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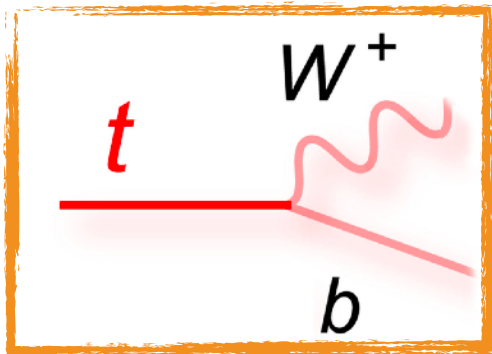
- Enhanced in many BSM theories

- 2HDM models ($\sim 10^{-6}$)
 - Including RPV SUSY scenarios
- MSSM ($\sim 10^{-7}$)
- Extra-dimensions ($\sim 10^{-5}$)
- ...



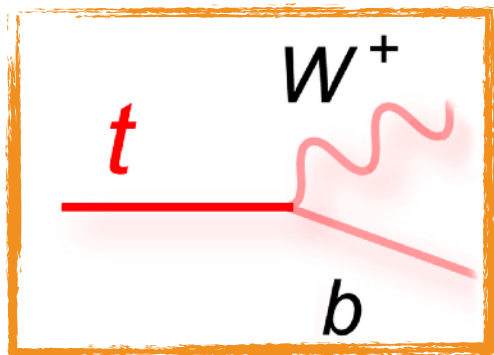
Constraints on FCNC $\Leftrightarrow$ Constraints on new phenomena

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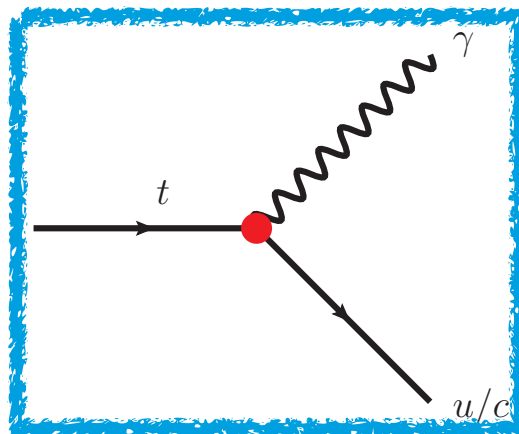


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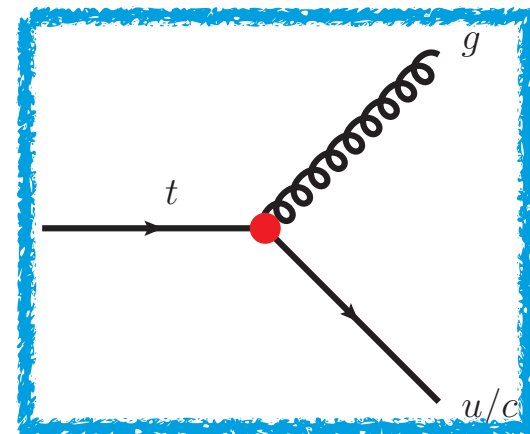
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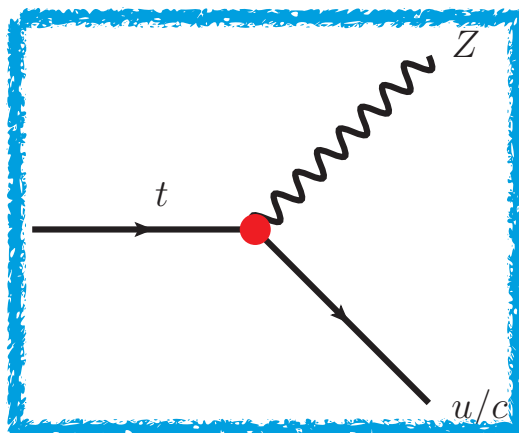
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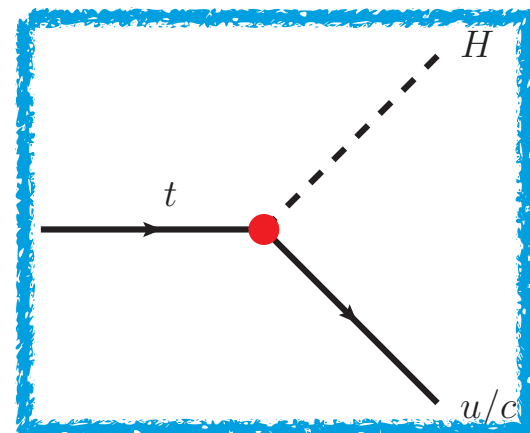
$t \rightarrow \gamma q$



$t \rightarrow gq$



$t \rightarrow Zq$



$t \rightarrow Hq$

FCNC couplings

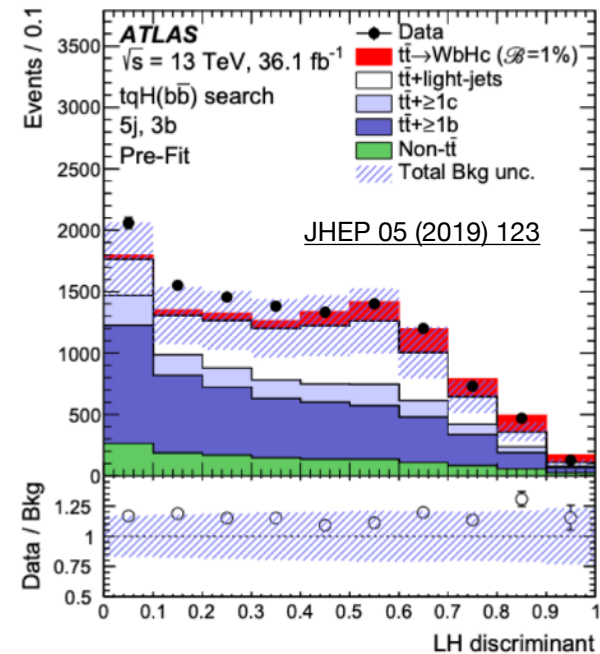
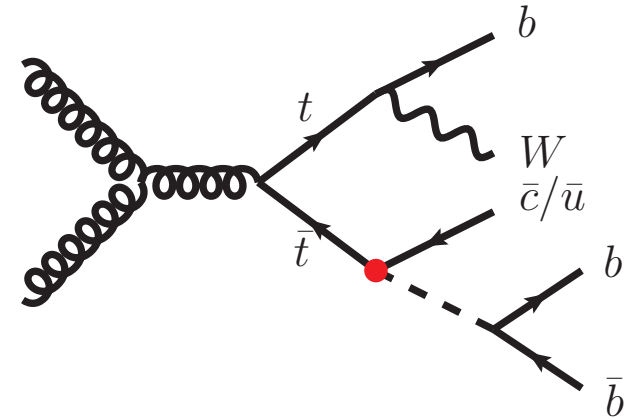
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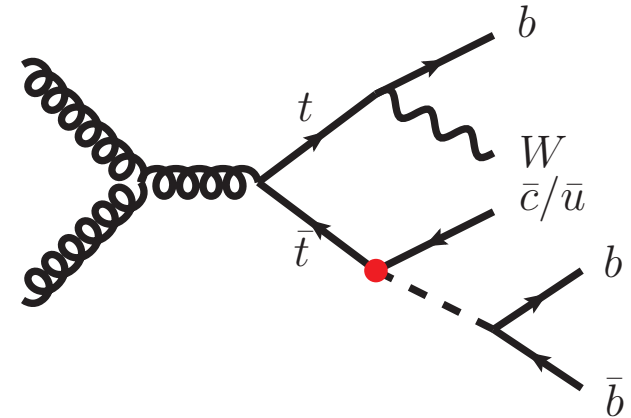
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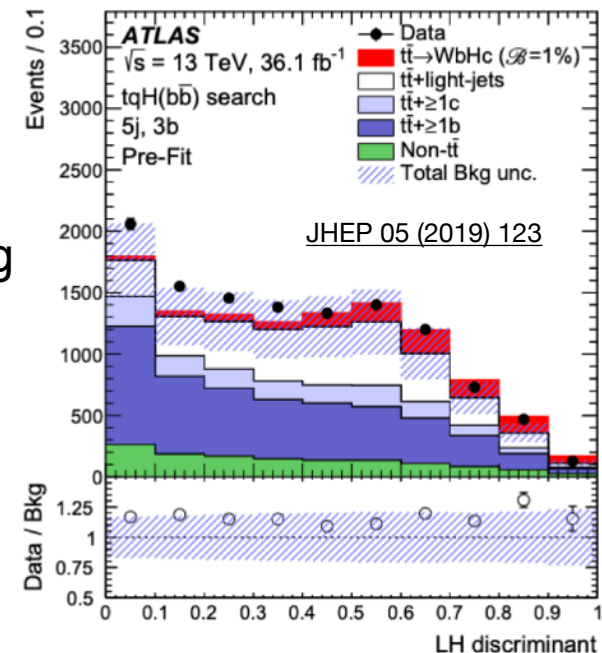
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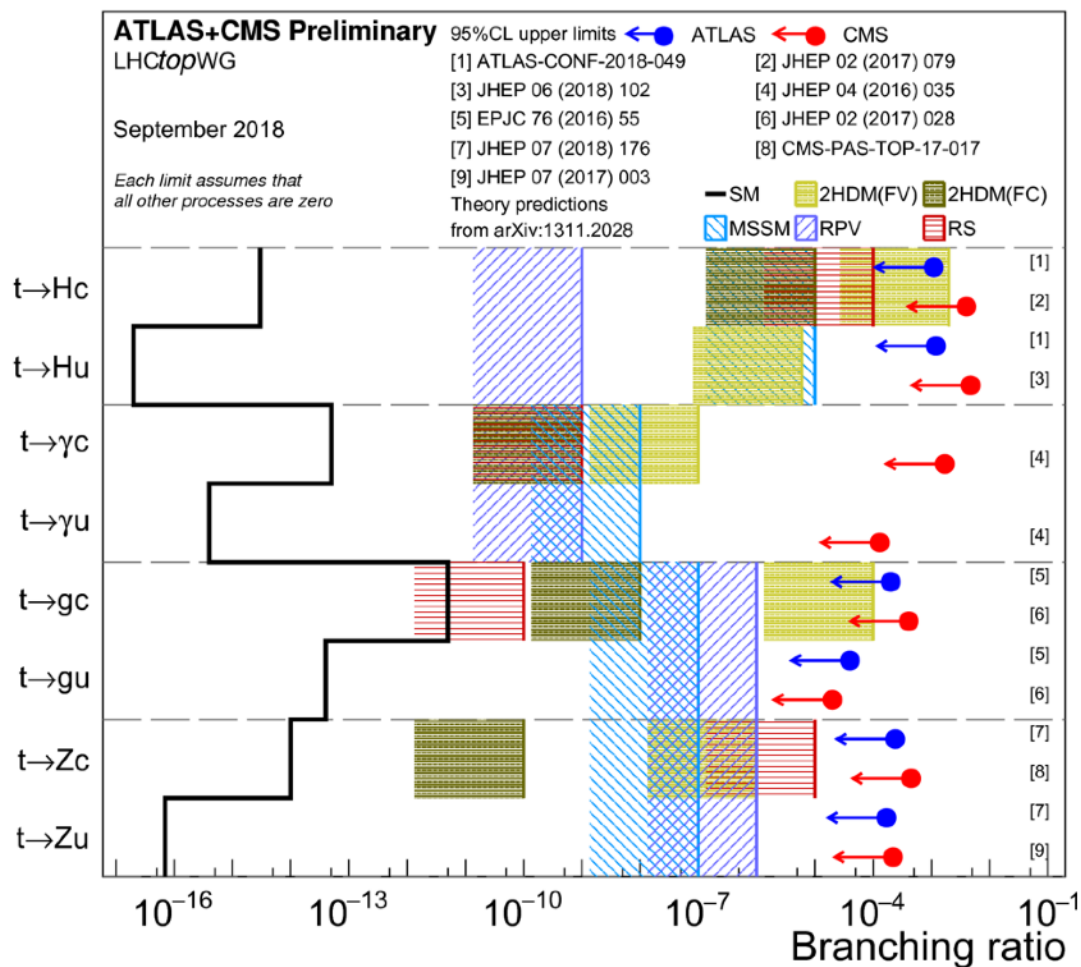
- Main systematic **uncertainties**: $t\bar{t}$ + $\geq 1b$ modelling and c-jet mistagging

$$\mathcal{B}(t \rightarrow Hu) < 5.2 \text{ (4.9)} \times 10^{-3}$$

$$\mathcal{B}(t \rightarrow Hc) < 4.2 \text{ (4.0)} \times 10^{-3}$$



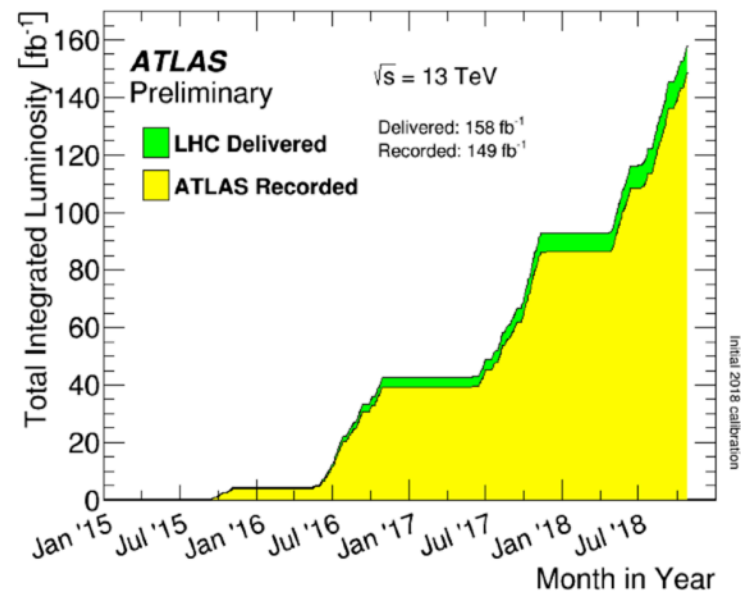
FCNC



- Already probing **BSM couplings** but (very) far from SM expectations.

Summary

- Top quark: ideal to **probe several new theories extending Standard Model**
- **Searches with top quark final states**
 - Thoroughly probed for by ATLAS (and CMS) in several channels
 - Challenging experimental final states
 - No signs of new particles (yet) or anomalous couplings
 - strong **constraints** on many BSM theories
 - measurement of SM properties
- 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

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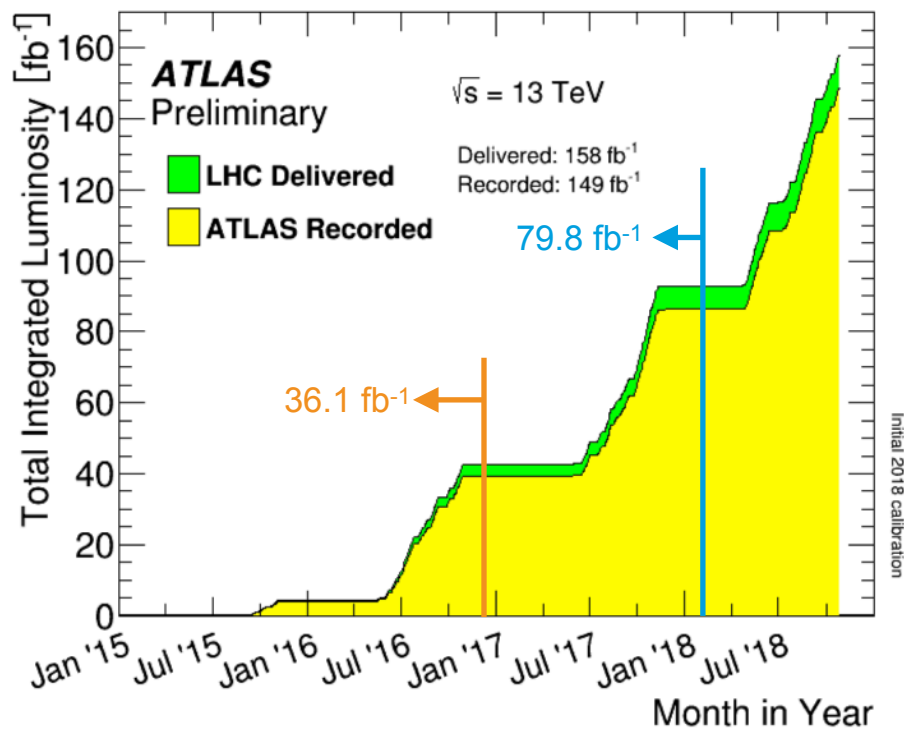
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Backup

LHC and luminosity

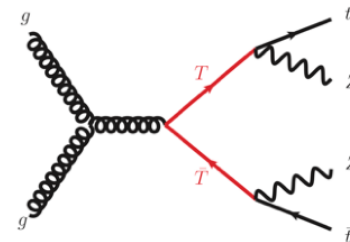
- New Physics events: **rare** and at **high energy**
- Searches using **Run 2 LHC data**
 - Centre-of-mass energy: $\sqrt{s} = 13$ TeV
 - Luminosity: **36.1** fb⁻¹ or **79.8** fb⁻¹



Pair-production searches

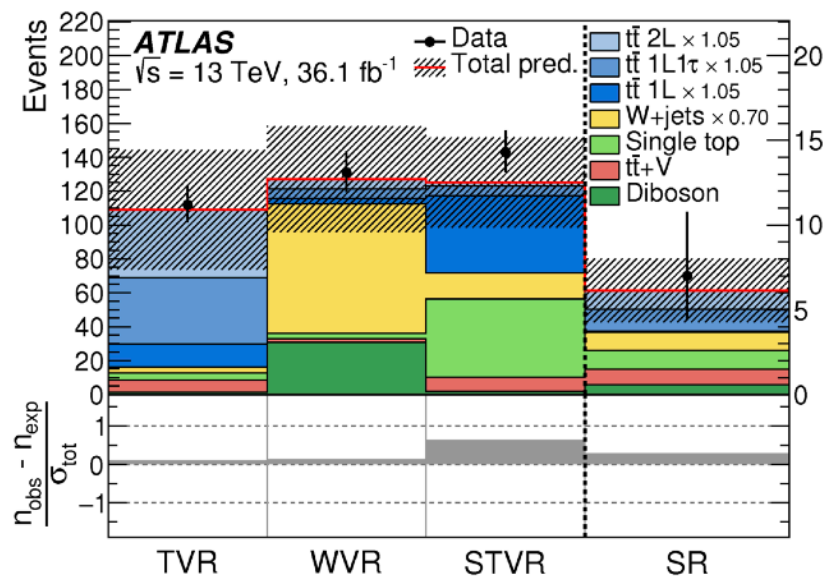
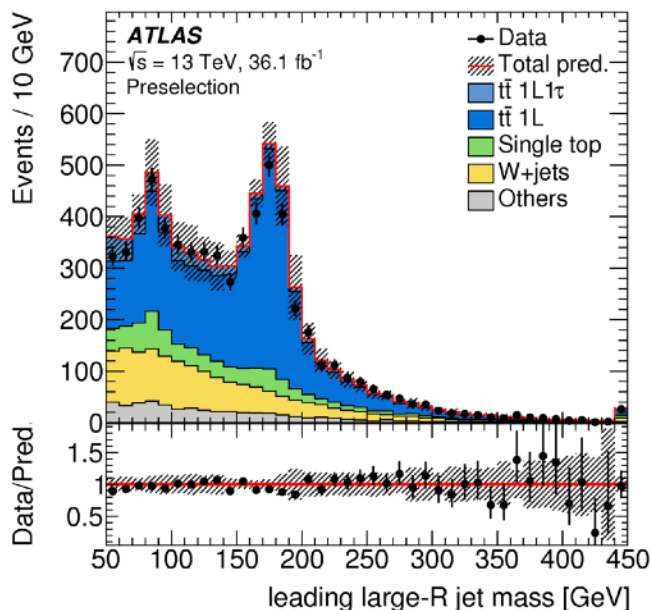
$Z(\nu\nu)t+X$

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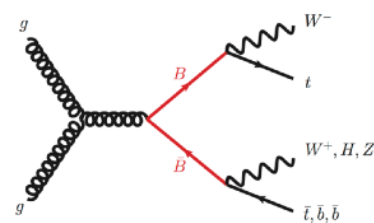
Hadronic top identification

- 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)

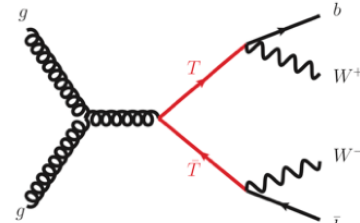


Pair-production searches

Wb/t+X



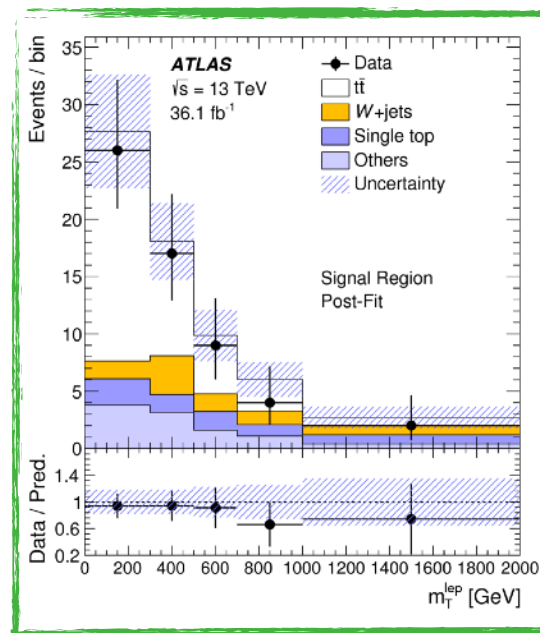
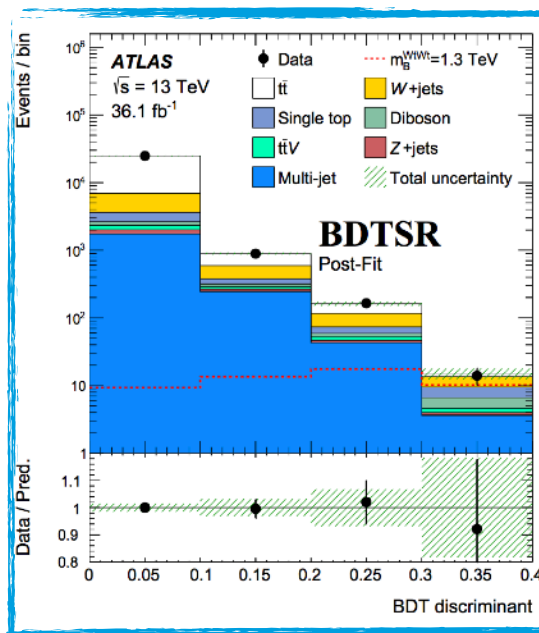
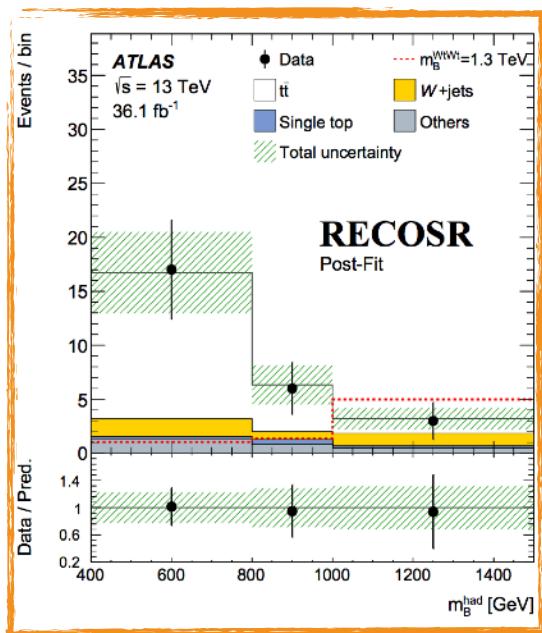
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- Select 1-lepton events with **high- p_T hadronic W bosons**
 - BB $\rightarrow$ Wt+X: complex final state $\rightarrow$ **full reconstruction** otherwise **MVA strategy**
 - TT $\rightarrow$ Wb+X: **reconstruct $T \rightarrow Wb \rightarrow l\nu b$ mass**
- **Main background:** $t\bar{t}$ (calibrated in data)

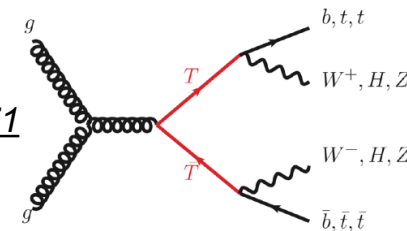
Event reconstruction



Pair-production searches

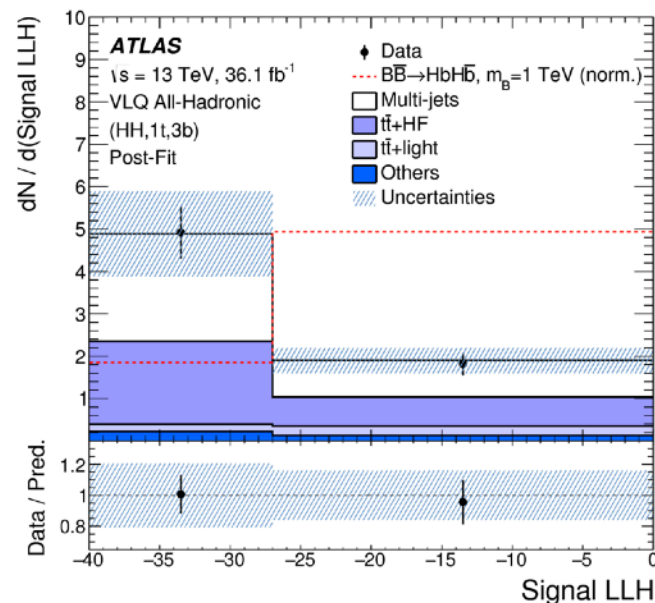
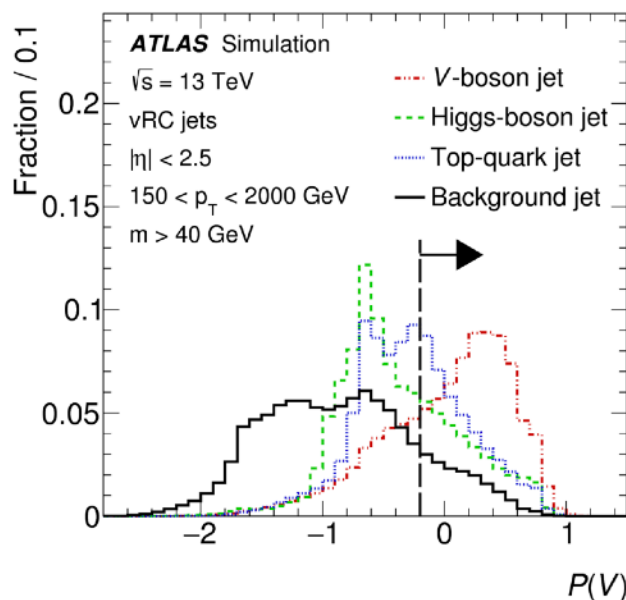
Fully-hadronic

[arXiv:1808.01771](https://arxiv.org/abs/1808.01771)



- 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**

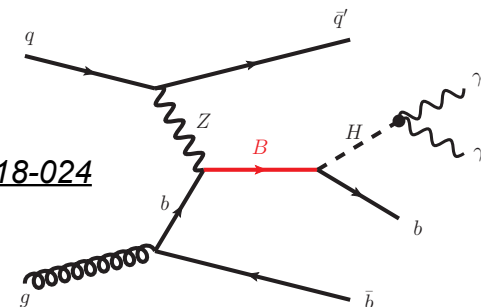
Background suppression



Single-production searches

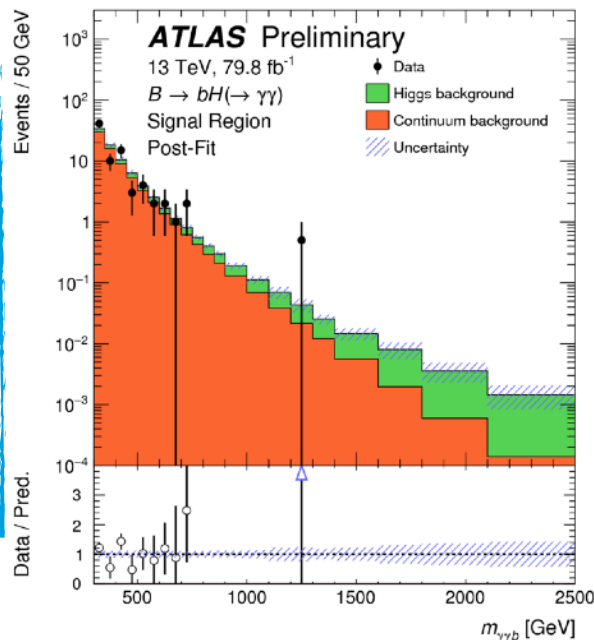
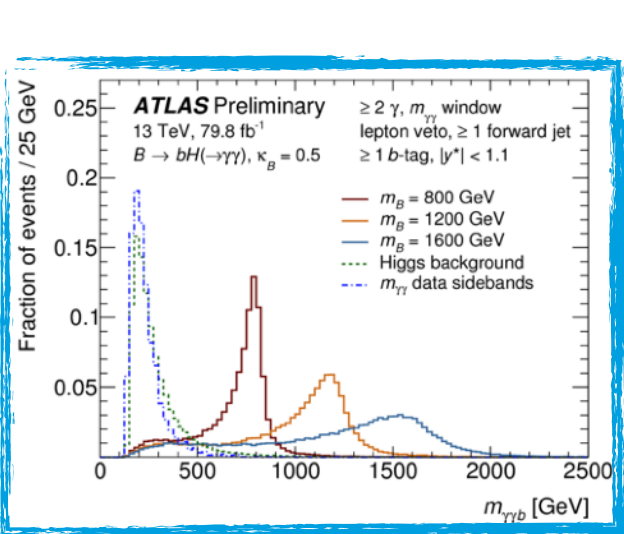
Single $B \rightarrow Hb \rightarrow \gamma\gamma b$

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- Selects **events with two photons** originating from Higgs + **b-jet**
 - Use $m_{\gamma\gamma b}$ to **reconstruct vector-like B mass**
- Main background: continuum $\gamma\gamma$ + jets (estimated from data in sidebands)

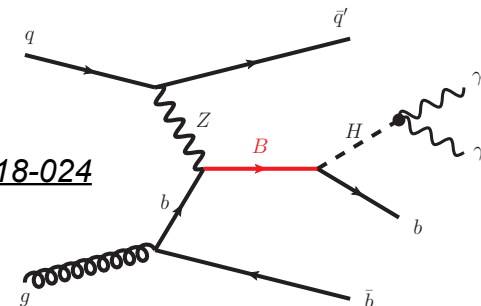
With 2017 data!



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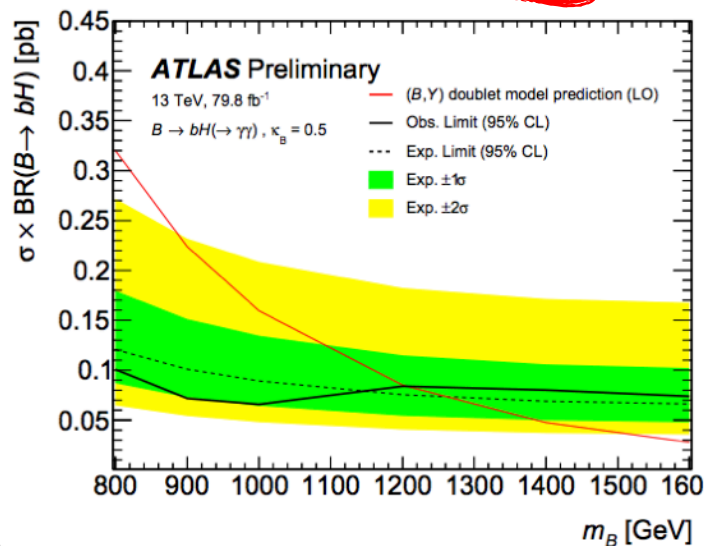
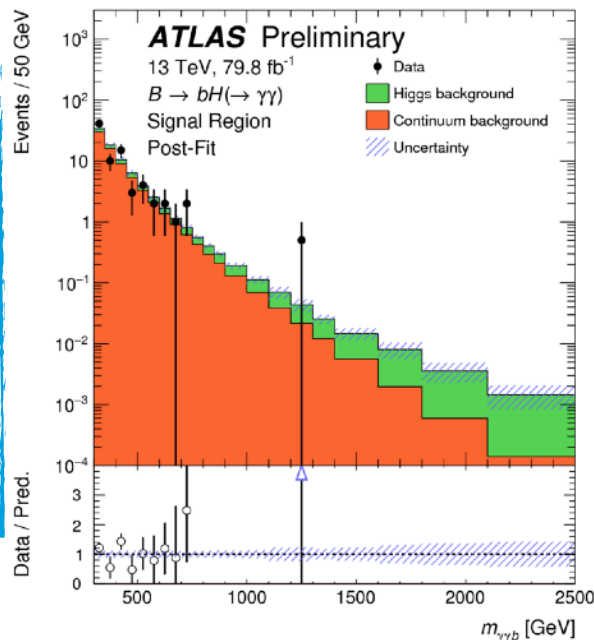
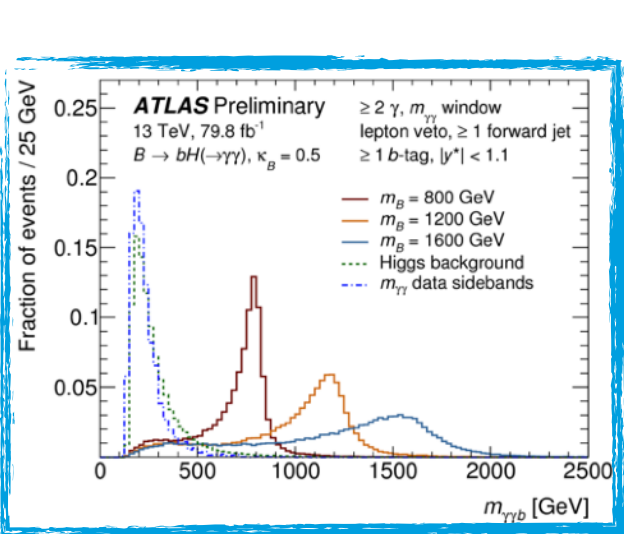
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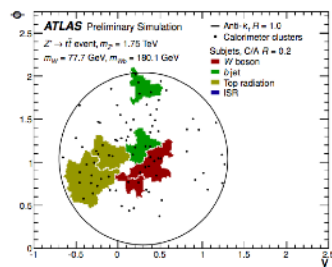
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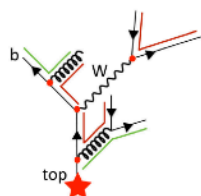
Shower deconstruction algorithm

A bit more information

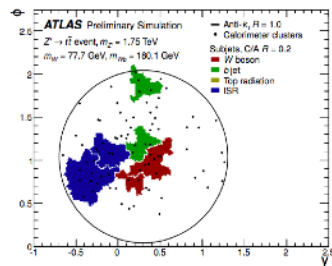
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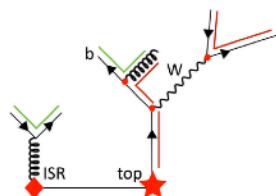
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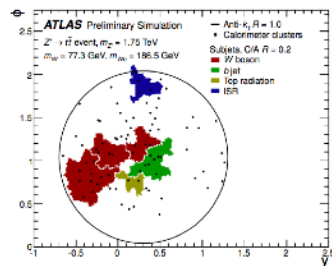
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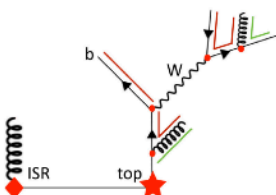
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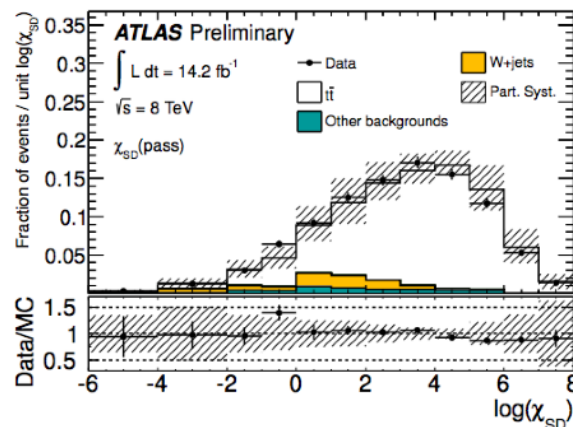
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- Subjets used as proxies to parton
- All parton shower history leading to this parton configuration are used: **each has a probability** $\sum_{\text{signal-hypotheses PS histories}}$

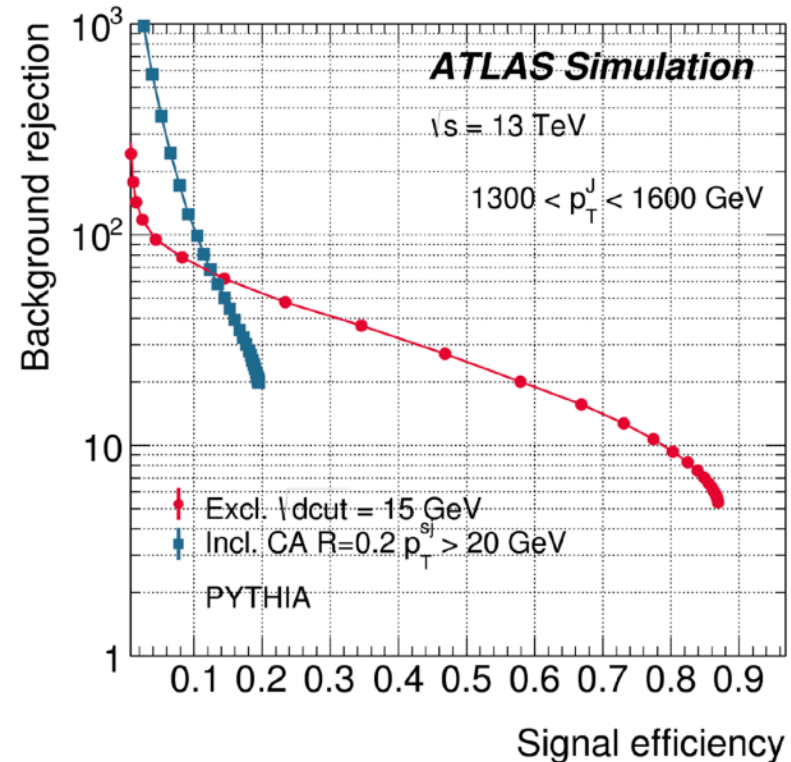
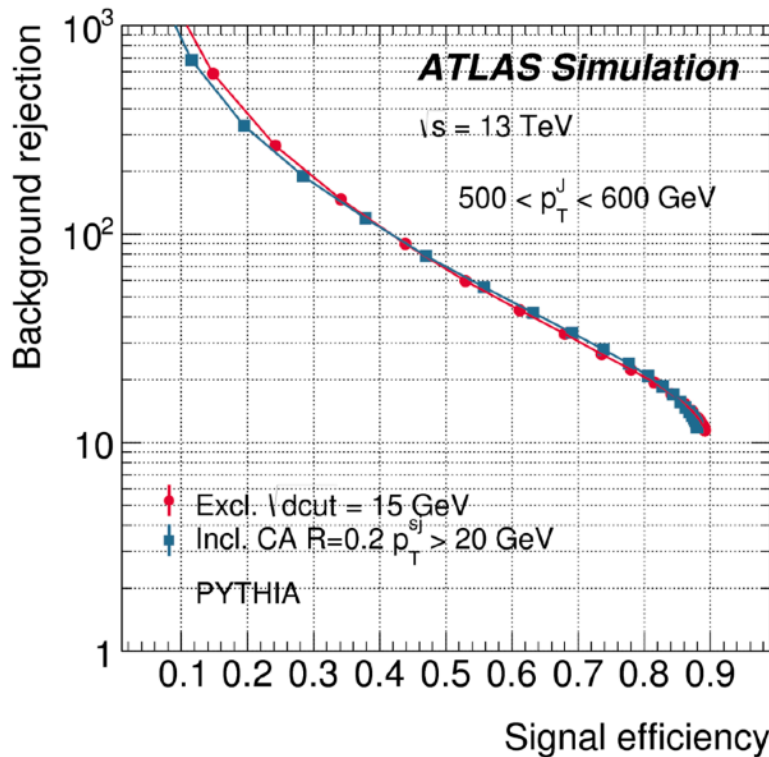
$$\chi_{SD}(\{p\}_N) = \frac{P(\{p\}_N|S)}{P(\{p\}_N|B)} = \frac{\sum_{\text{histories}} P(\{p, c'\}_N|S)}{\sum_{\text{histories}} P(\{p, c'\}_N|B)}$$



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Shower deconstruction performance

A bit more information

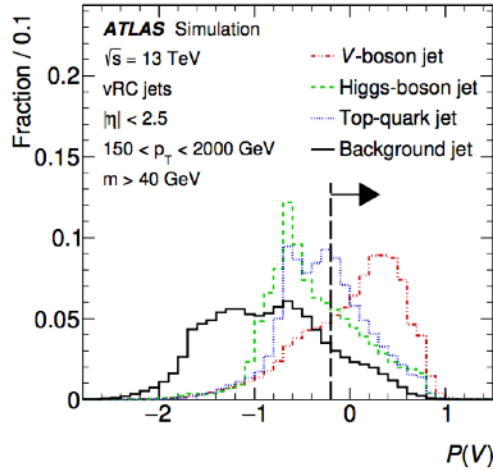


- Use of **exclusive subjects** => better performance for very-highly-boosted top quarks.

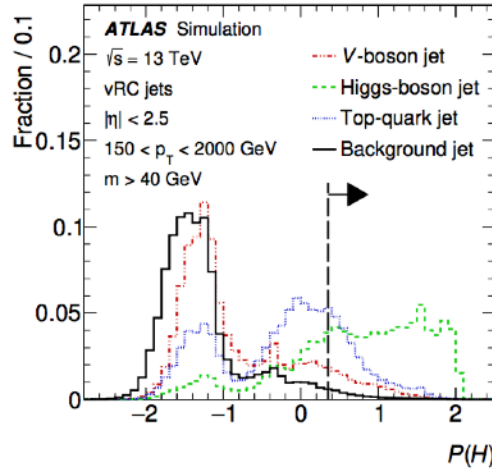
DNN tagger

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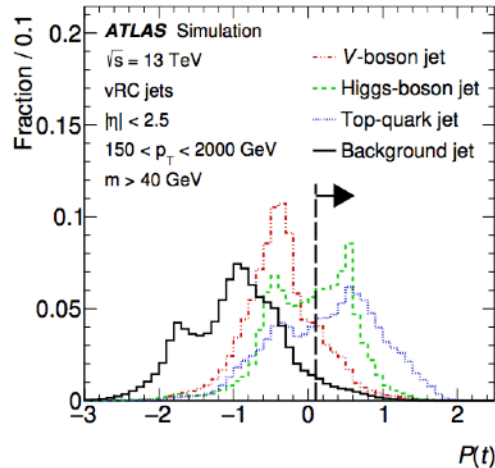
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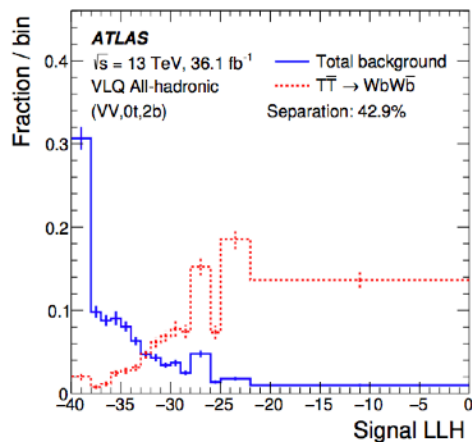
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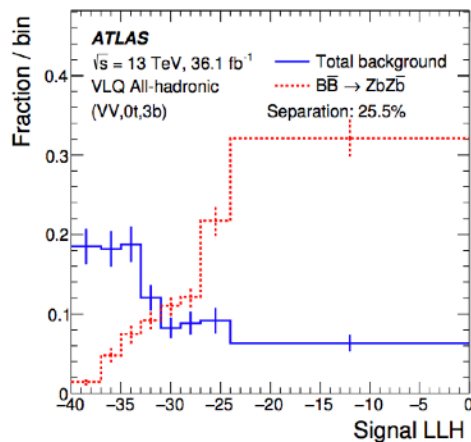
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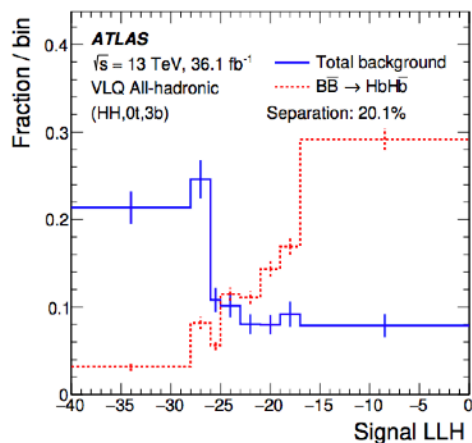
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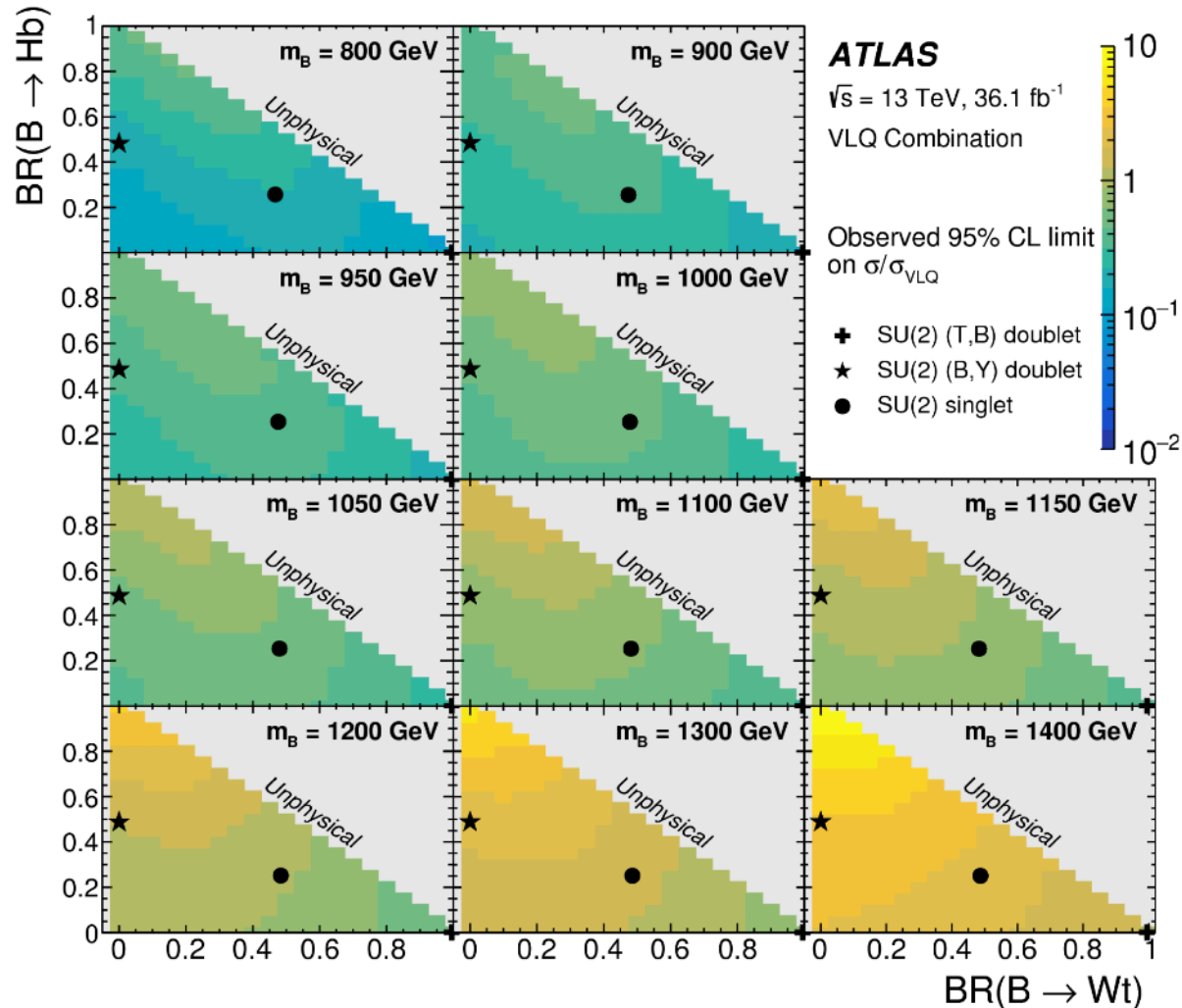
Phase space element

Truth-reco transfer function

$$P_i(x|\alpha) = \frac{(2\pi)^4}{\sigma_i^{\text{eff}}(\alpha)} \int d\Phi_N(y) \underbrace{f(p_A)}_{\text{PDF}} \underbrace{f(p_B)}_{\text{PDF}} \underbrace{\frac{|\mathcal{M}_i(y|\alpha)|^2}{\mathcal{F}}}_{\text{Transition matrix element of the process}} \underbrace{\mathcal{V}(y|x)}_{\text{Truth-reco transfer function}}$$

VLQ searches: next steps ?

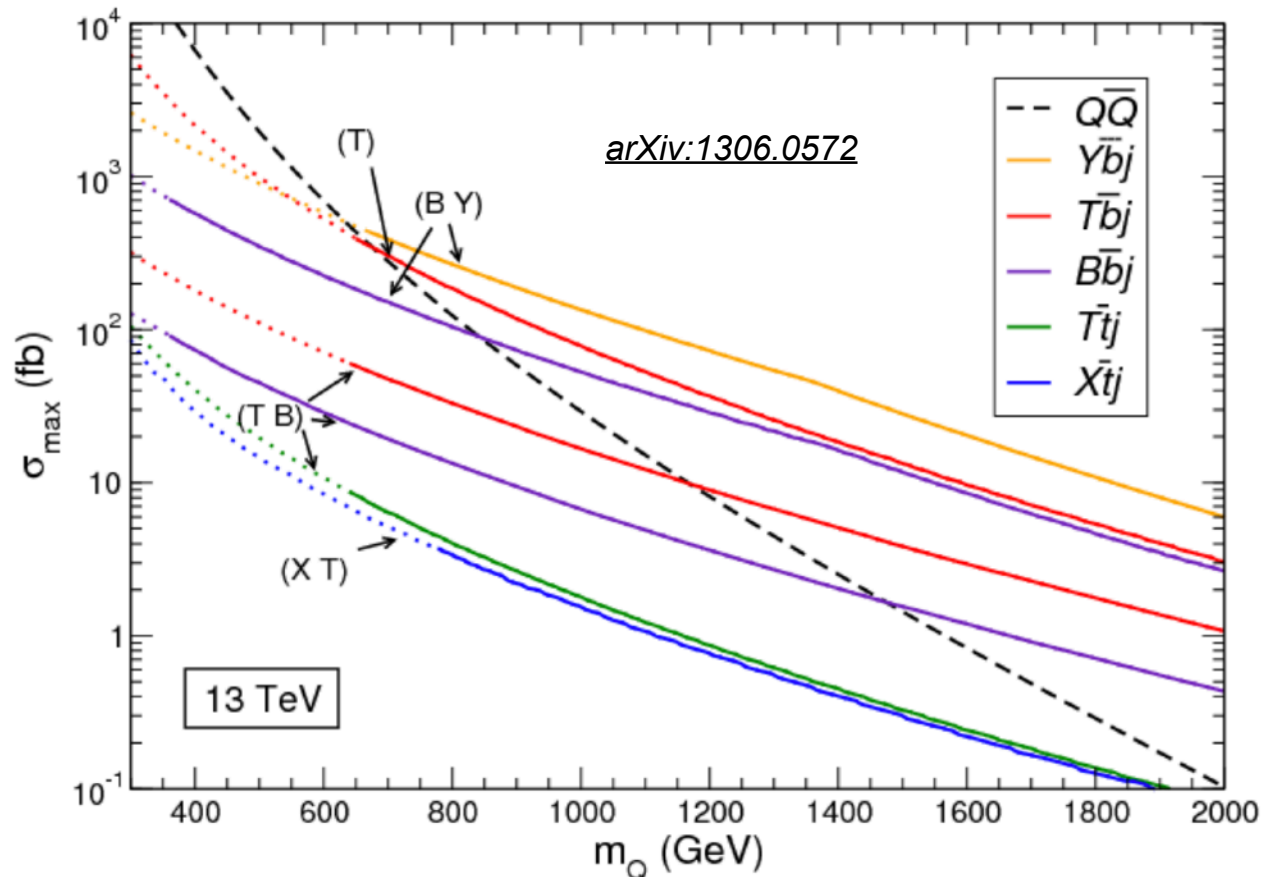
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Single VLQ production

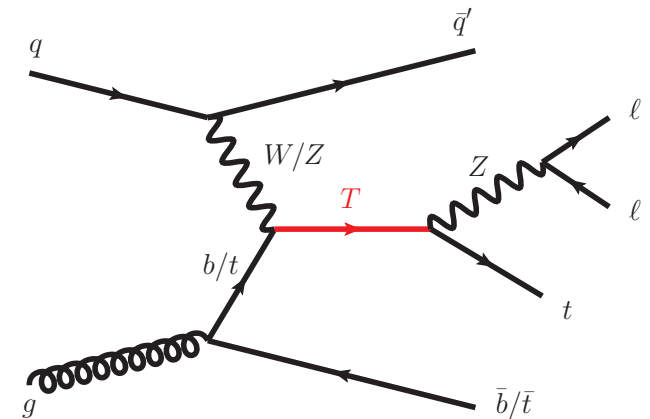
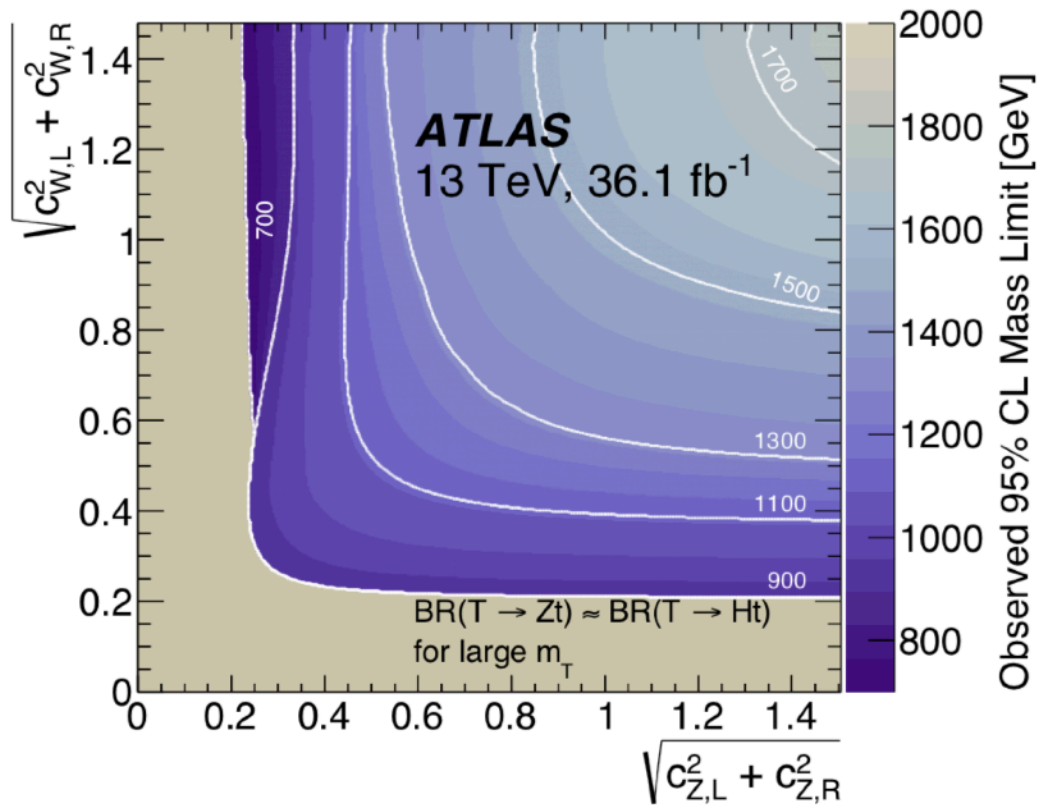
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- Single production cross-section **depends on coupling** between quarks and vector-like partners.



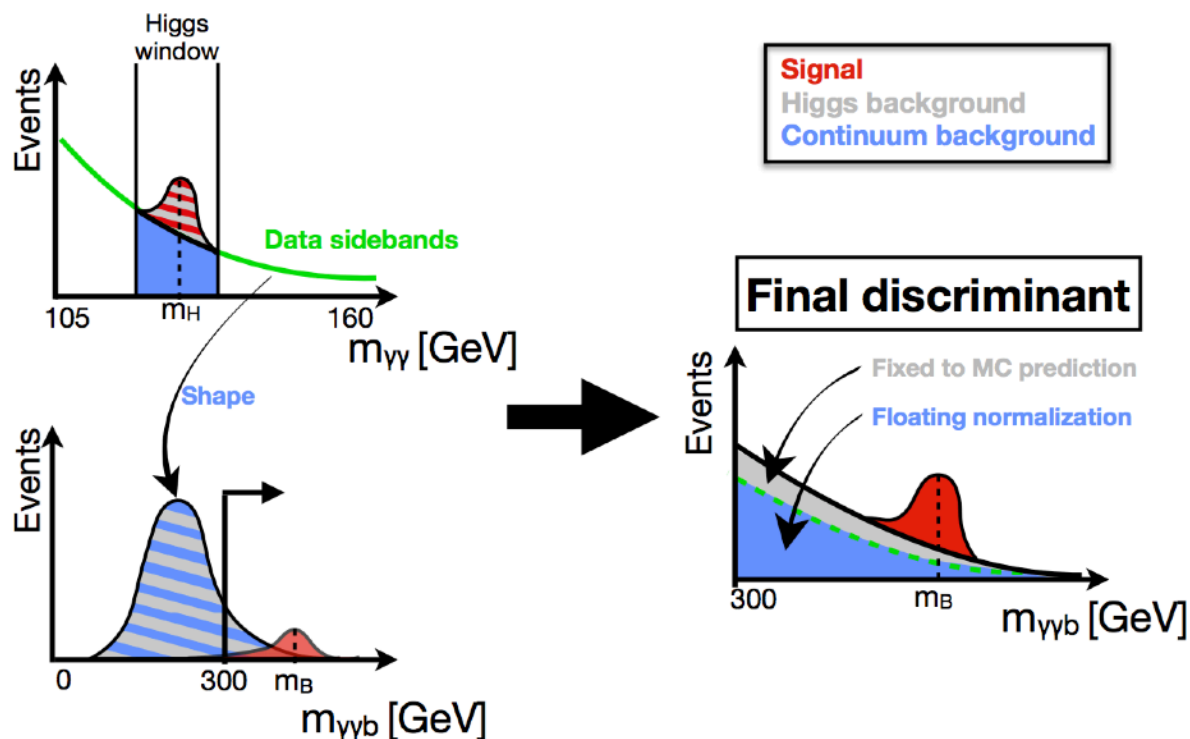
Single VLQ interpretation

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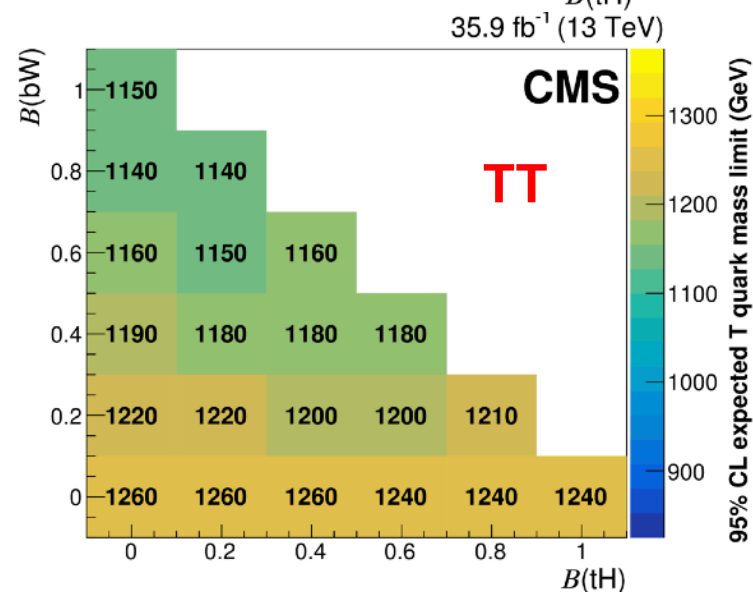
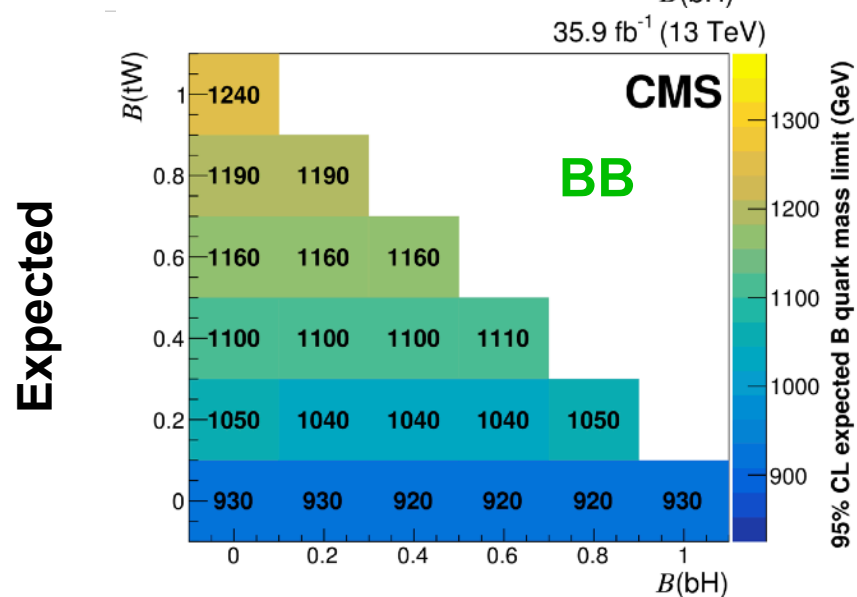
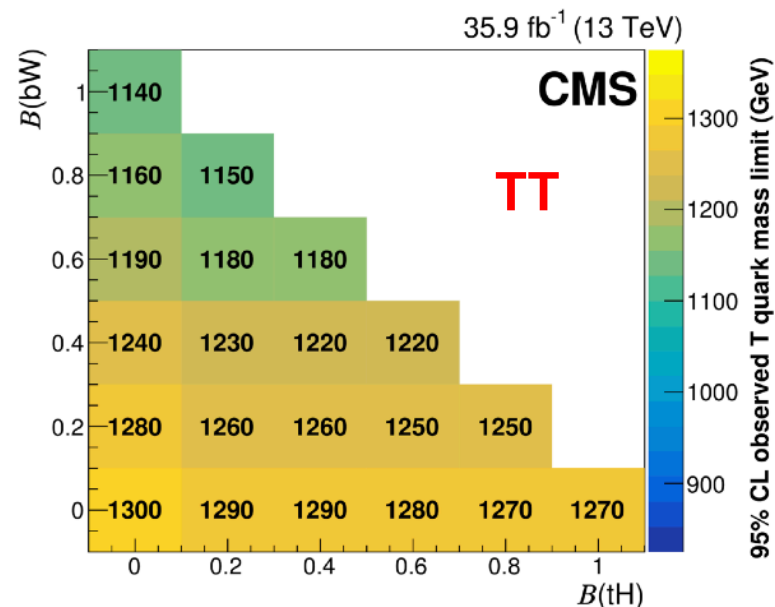
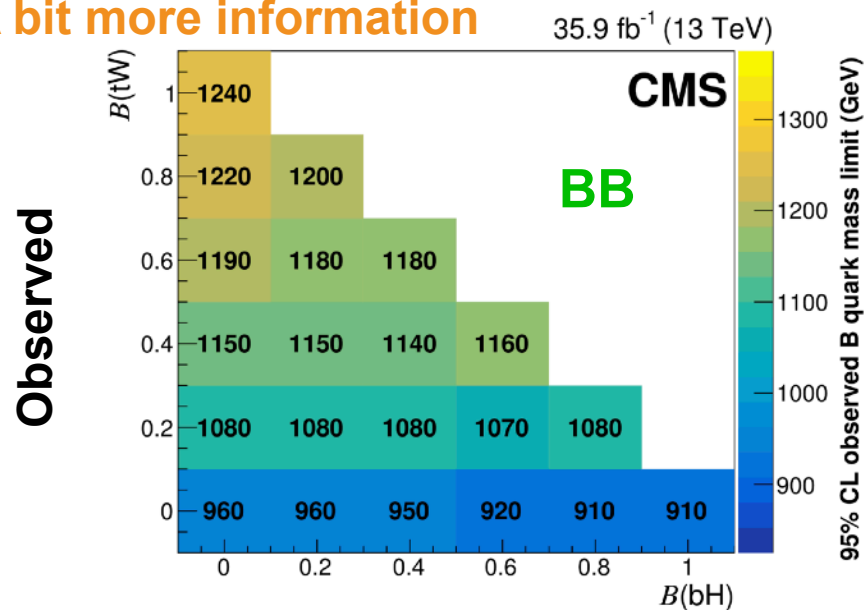
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CMS results

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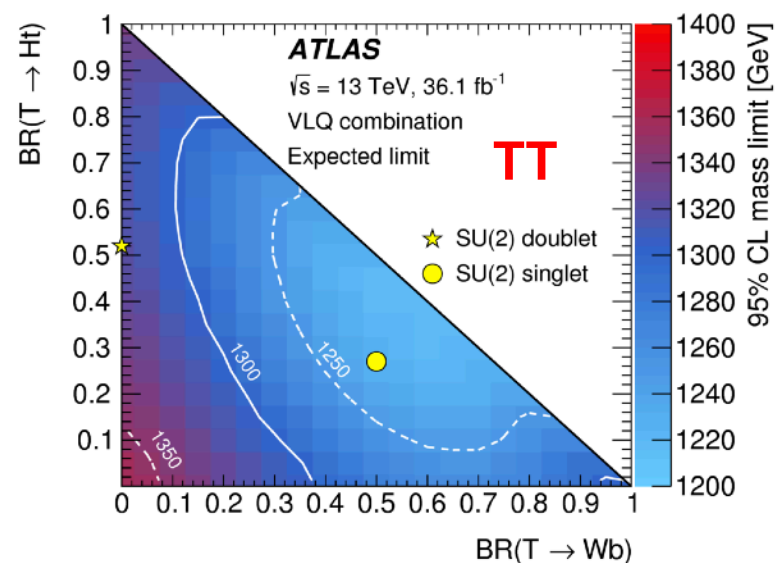
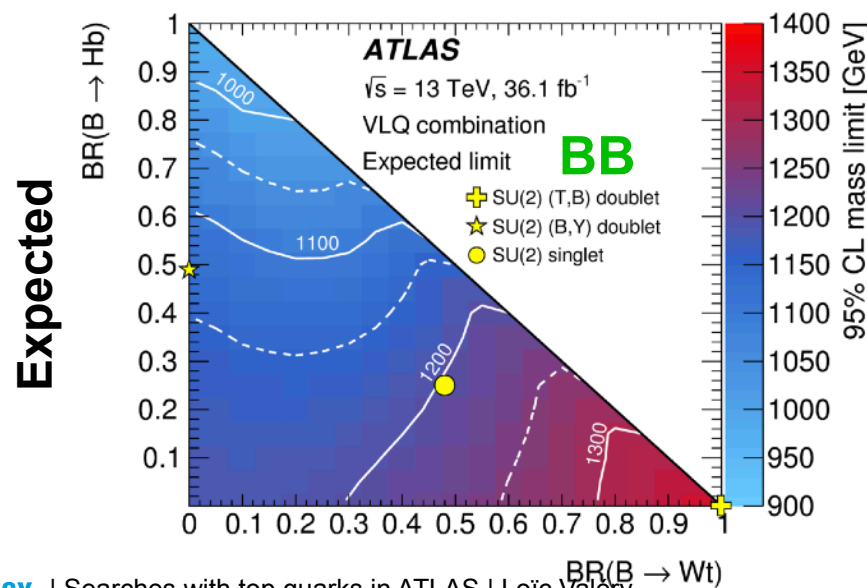
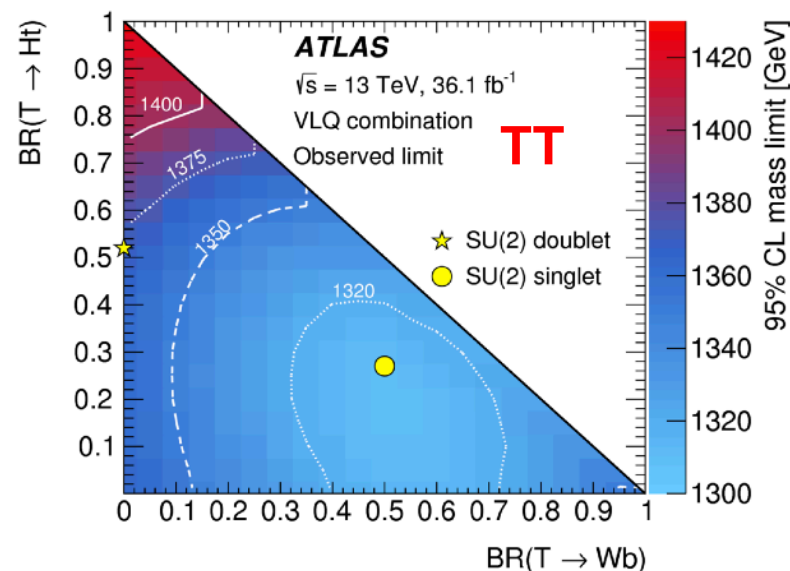
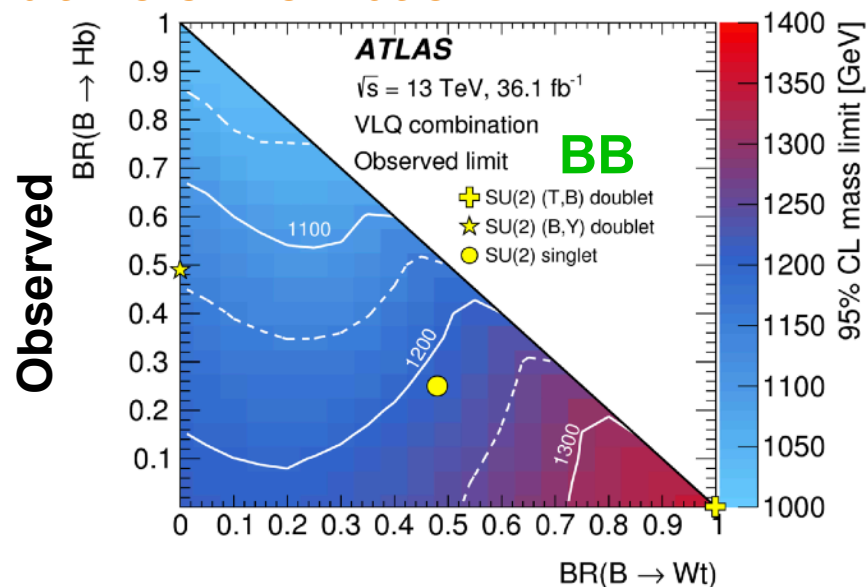
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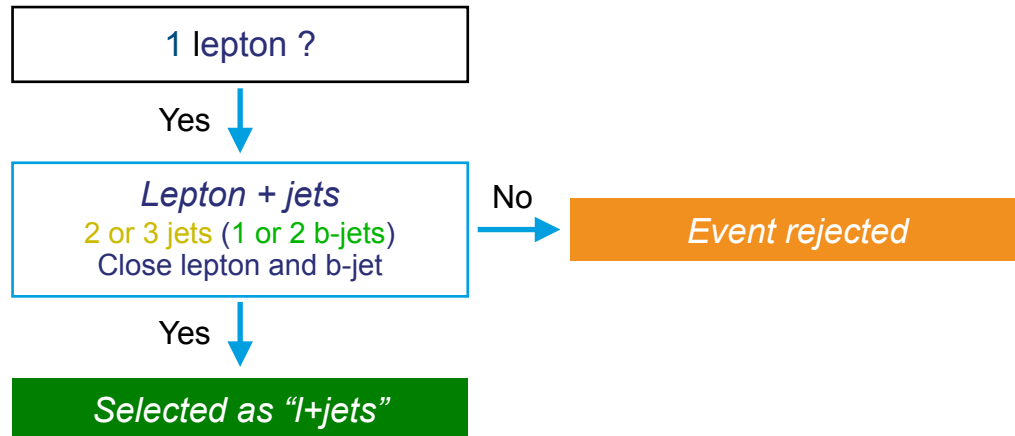
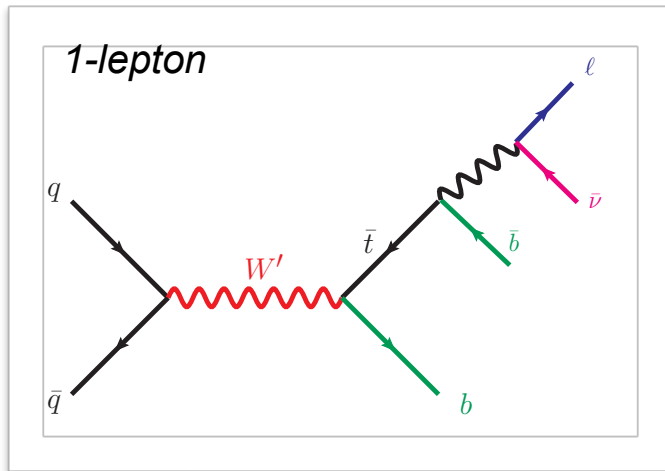
ATLAS results

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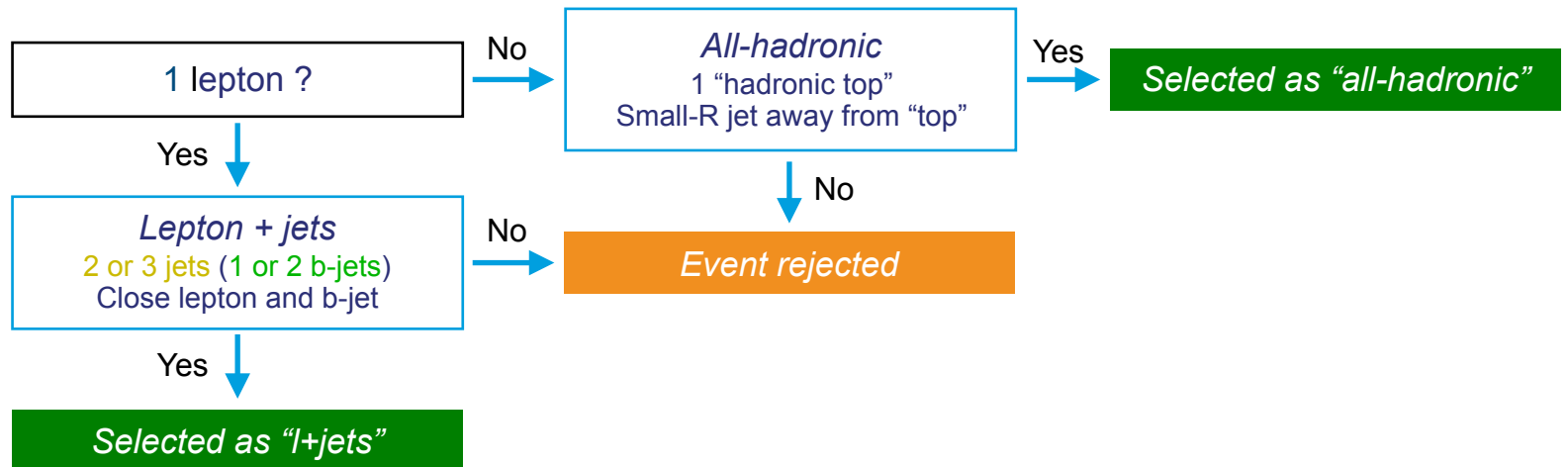
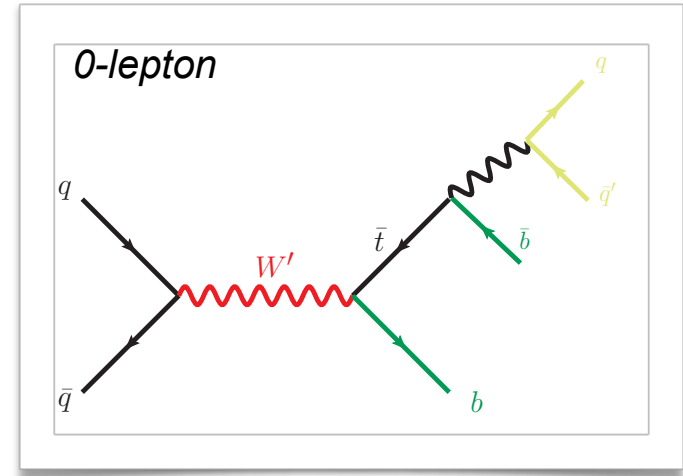
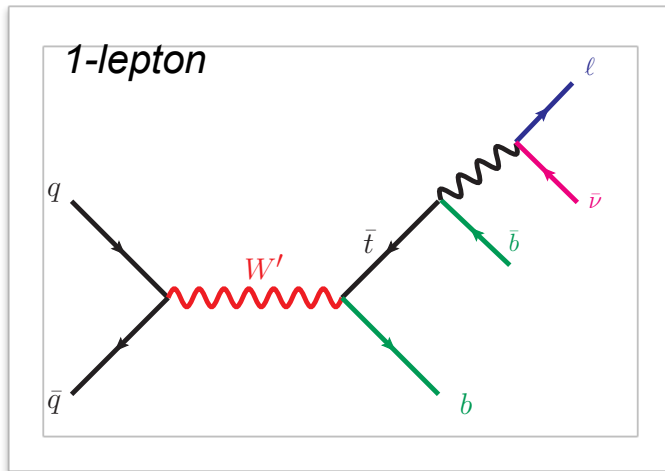
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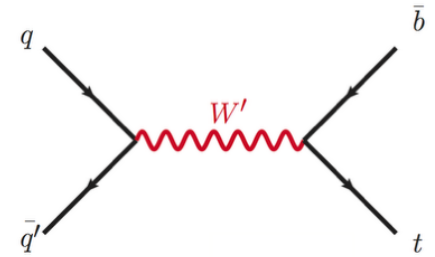


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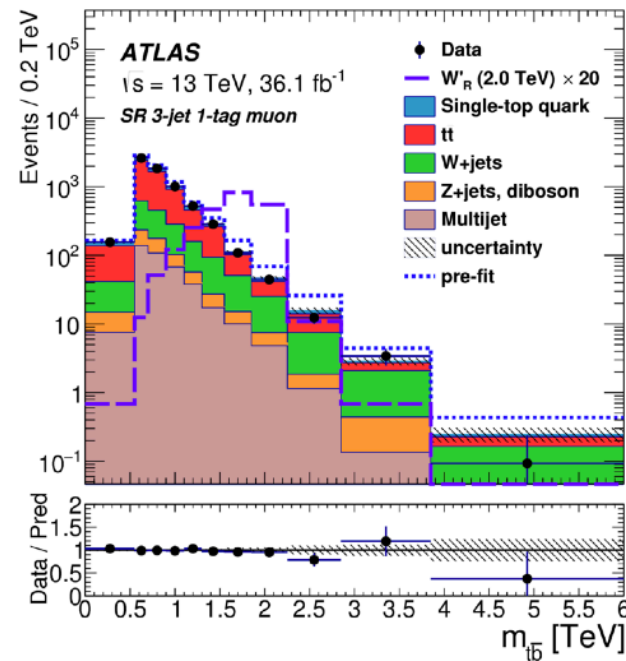
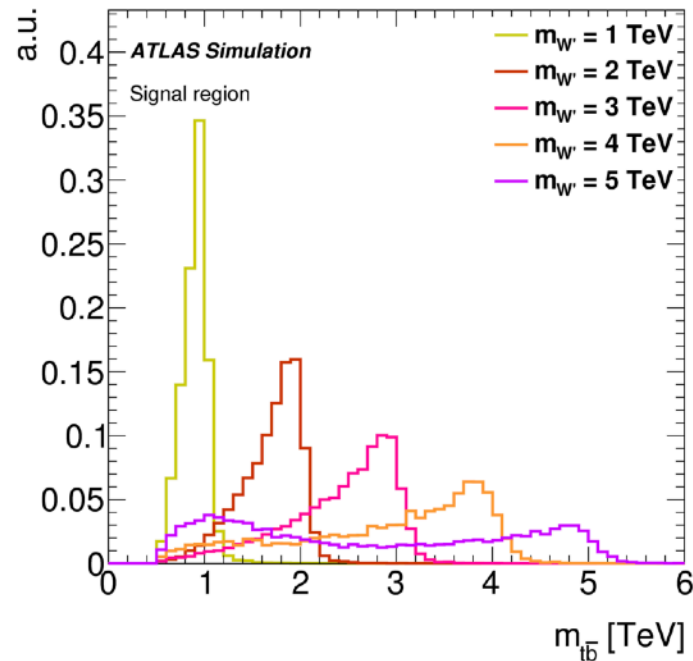
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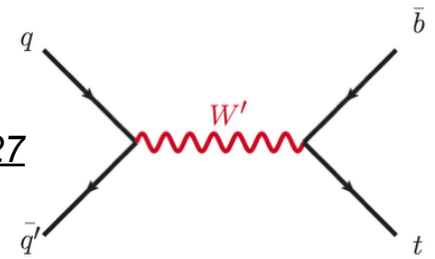
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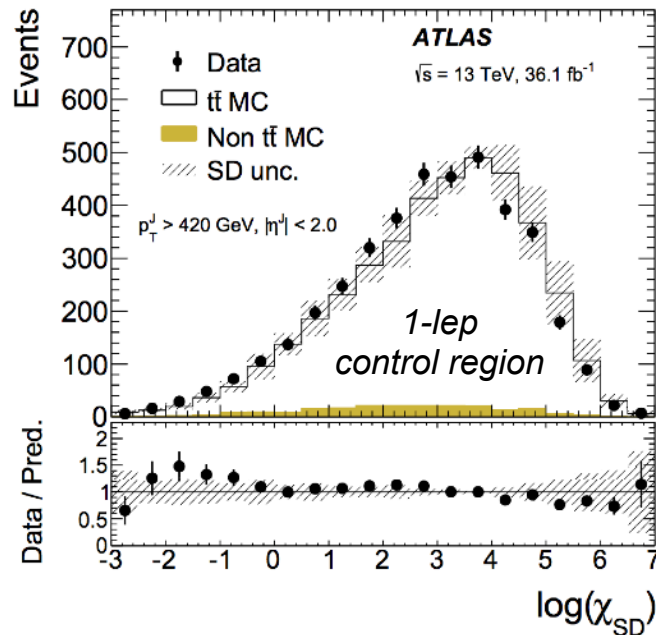
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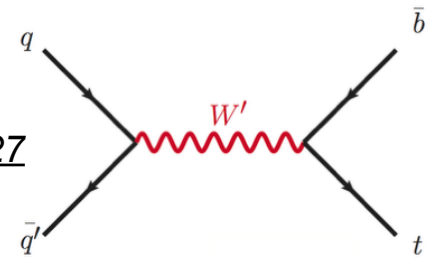
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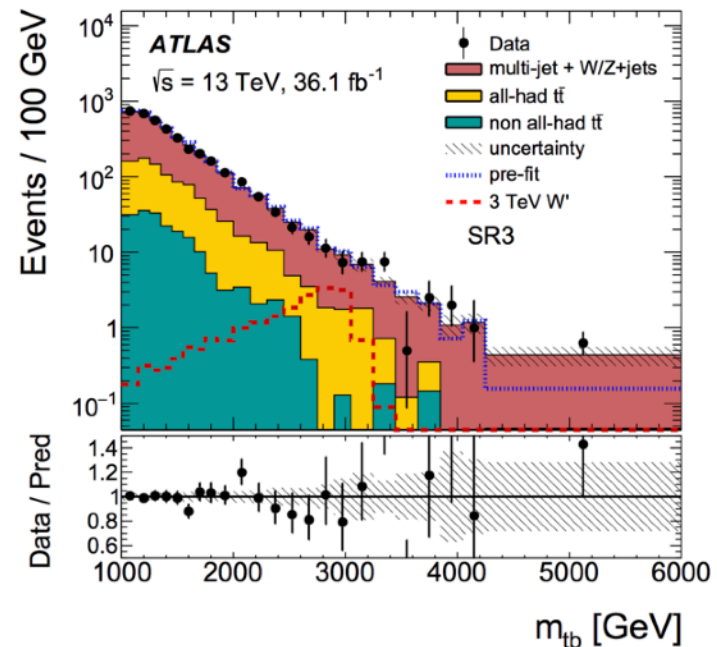
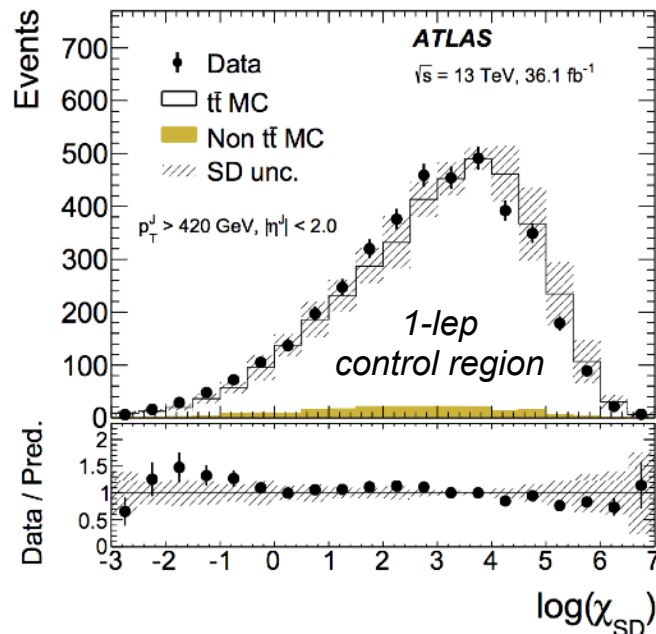
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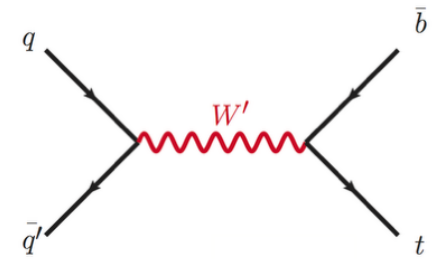
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Combination

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- **Different** dominating **background sources**
- Combination: **expected sensitivity improved by factor ~ 2**

