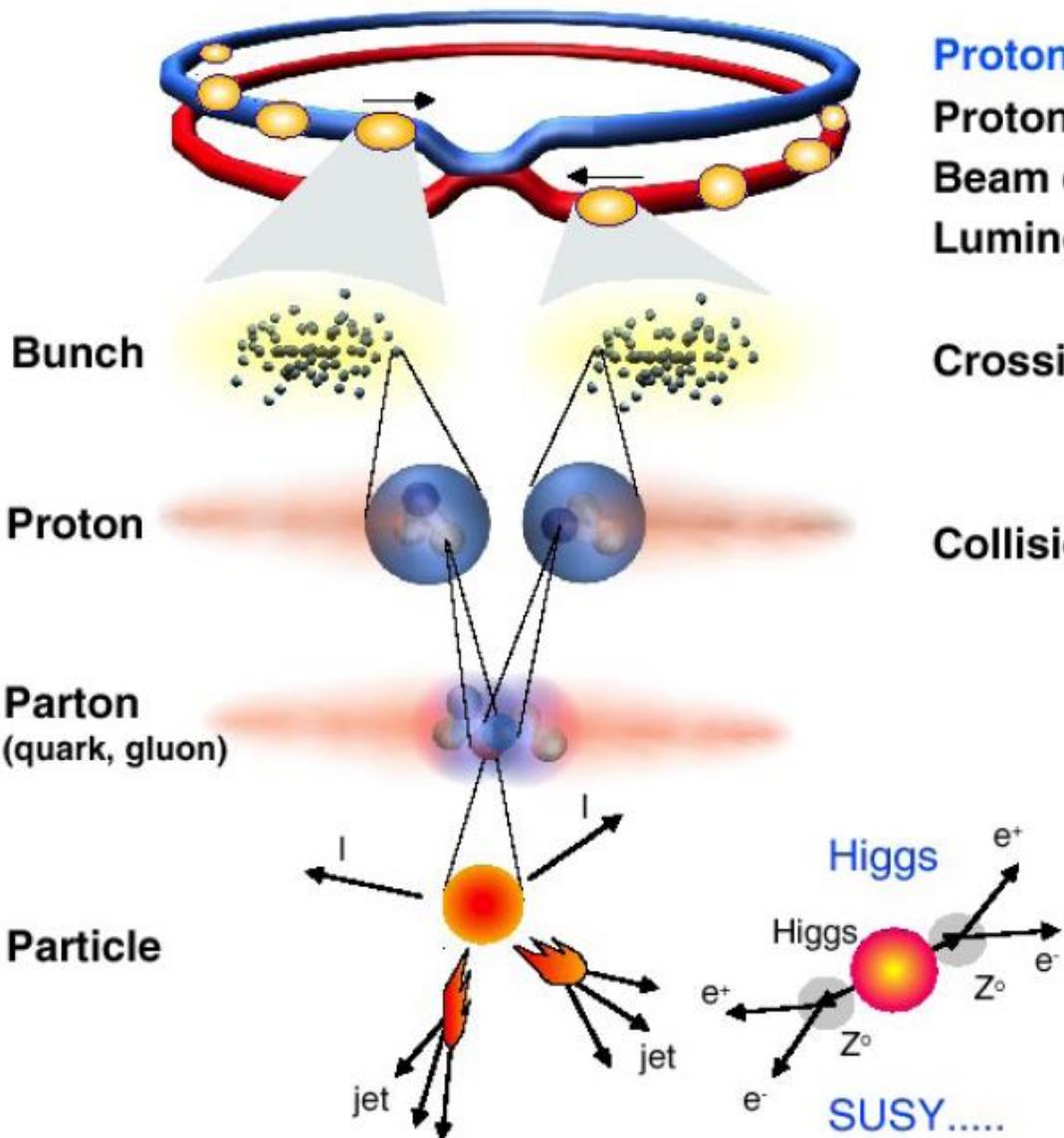


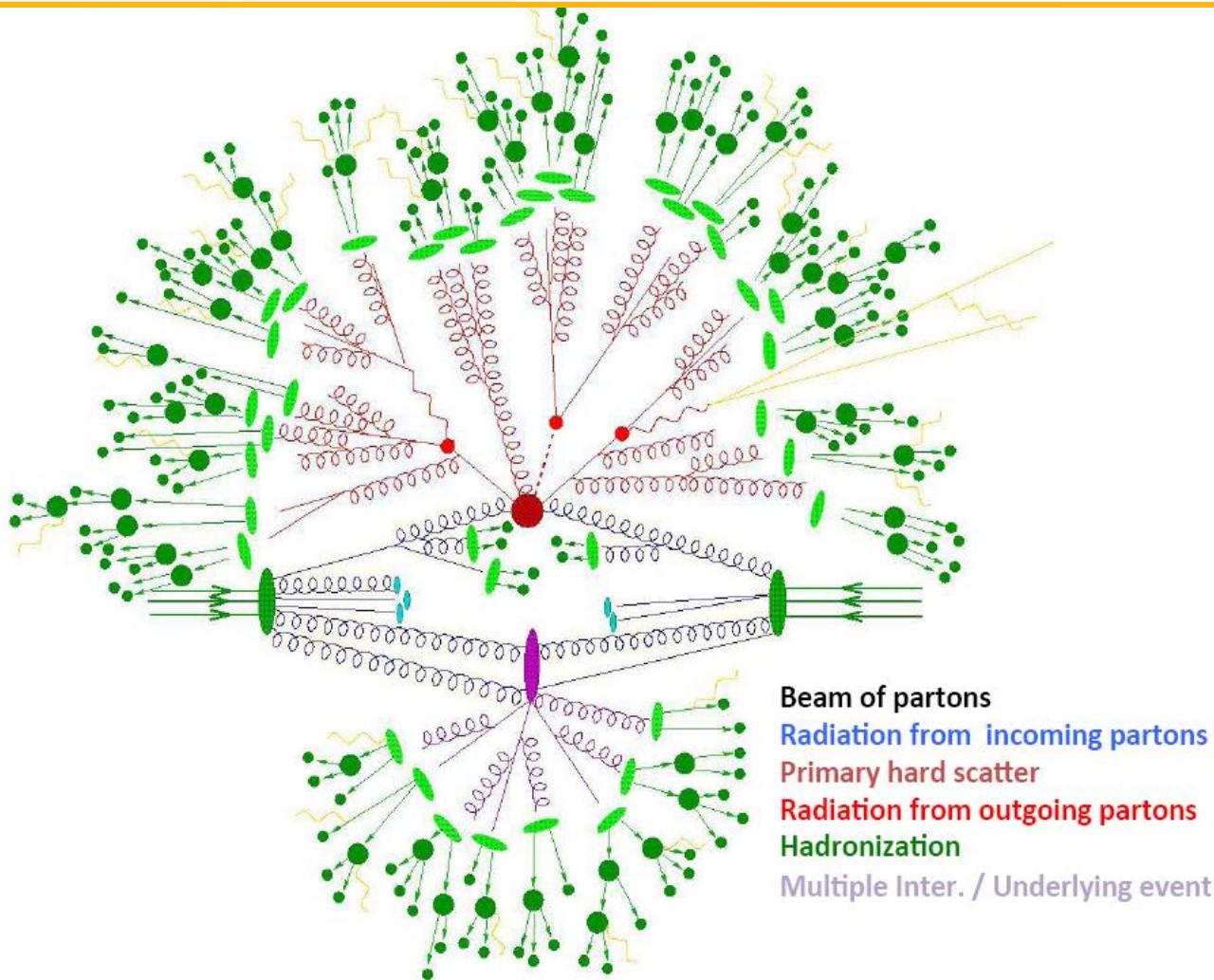
# Collisions at LHC



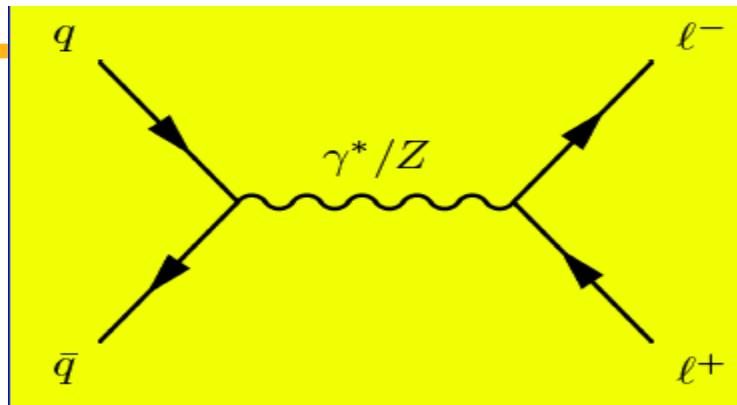
Proton-Proton	2835 bunch/beam
Protons/bunch	$10^{11}$
Beam energy	7 TeV ( $7 \times 10^{12}$ eV)
Luminosity	$10^{34} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$
Crossing rate	40 MHz
Collisions	$\approx 10^7 - 10^9 \text{ Hz}$

**Selection of 1 in  
10,000,000,000,000**

# Typical pp collision



# Drell-Yan production



- Direct access to vector and axial couplings

$$g_v^f = I_3^f - 2q_f \sin^2 \theta_W \quad \text{both } \gamma^*\text{-f and Z-f couplings}$$

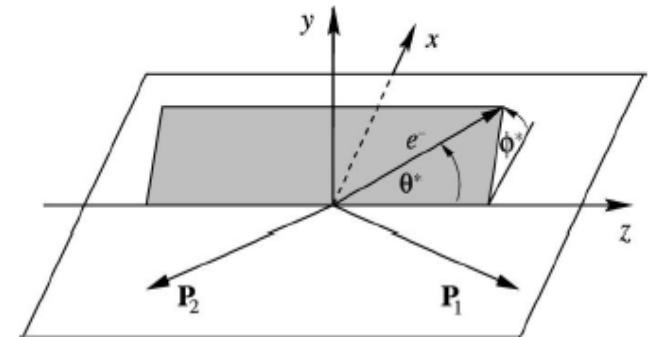
$$g_a^f = I_3^f \quad \text{Z-f only coupling}$$

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dcos\theta^*} \sim \frac{3}{8} (1 + cos^2 \theta^*) + A_{FB} cos\theta^*$$



$$A_{FB} = \frac{\sigma_F - \sigma_B}{\sigma_F + \sigma_B}$$

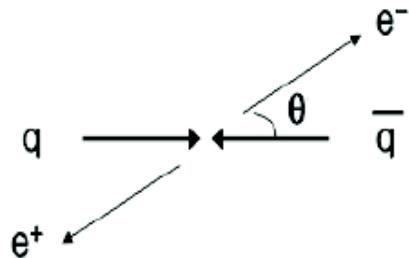
- $cos\theta^* > (<) 0 \rightarrow$  forward (backward) events
- $\theta^*$  is the angle of the negative lepton relative the quark momentum in the dilepton centre-of-mass frame
- Minimize the effect of unknown  $p_T$  of incoming quark by measuring  $\theta^*$  in the **Collins-Soper** frame



# Collins-Soper frame

- Collins-Soper frame : the center of mass frame of dilepton

$$q\bar{q} \rightarrow Z/\gamma^* \rightarrow \ell^+ \ell^-$$



*in lepton plane*

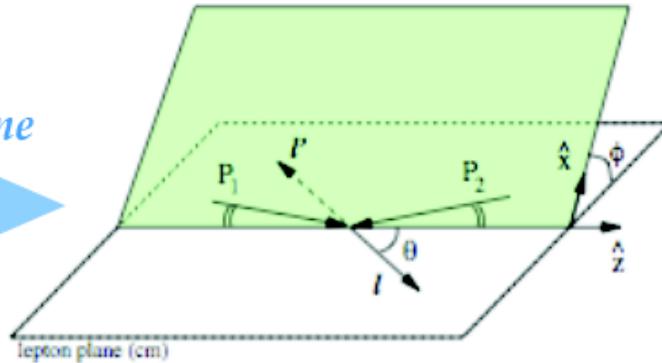


FIG. 1: The Collins-Soper frame.

- Differential cross section of  $\cos\theta$  and  $\phi$

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dP_T^2 dy d\cos\theta d\phi} \propto (1 + \cos^2\theta)$$

→ **LO term**

$$+ \frac{1}{2} A_0 (1 - 3 \cos^2\theta)$$

→  **$\cos^2\theta$  : higher order term**

$$+ A_1 \sin 2\theta \cos \phi + \frac{1}{2} A_2 \sin^2 \theta \cos 2\phi + A_3 \sin \theta \cos \phi \rightarrow (\theta, \phi) \text{ terms}$$

$$+ A_4 \cos \theta$$

→ **LO term : determine  $A_{fb}$**

$$+ A_5 \sin^2 \theta \sin 2\phi + A_6 \sin 2\theta \sin \phi + A_7 \sin \theta \sin \phi \rightarrow \text{very small terms}$$

\*\*\*All higher order terms are zero at  $Pt=0$

# Z/g\* Angular Coefficients



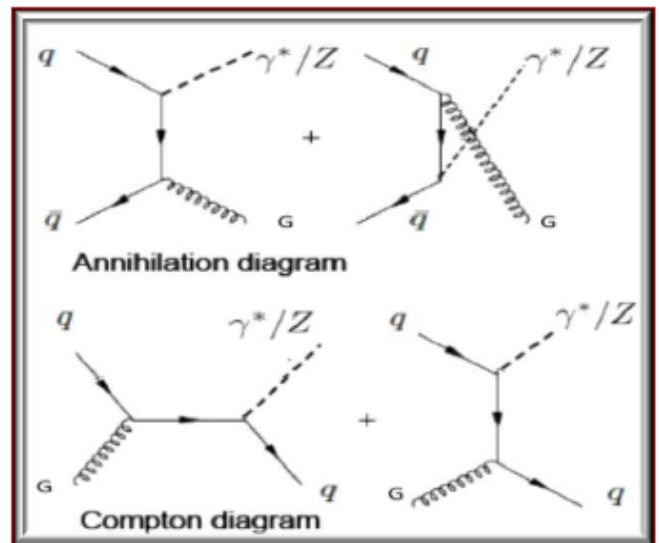
- First measurement of the  $p\bar{p} \rightarrow Z/\gamma^* + X \rightarrow e^+e^- + X$  angular distributions with  $2.1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$
- Angular distributions of the lepton decay in the Collins-Soper frame are:

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\cos\theta} \propto (1 + \cos^2\theta) + \frac{1}{2}A_0(1 - 3\cos^2\theta) + A_4 \cos\theta$$

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$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\varphi} \propto 1 + \frac{3\pi}{16}A_3 \cos\varphi + \frac{1}{4}A_2 \cos 2\varphi$$

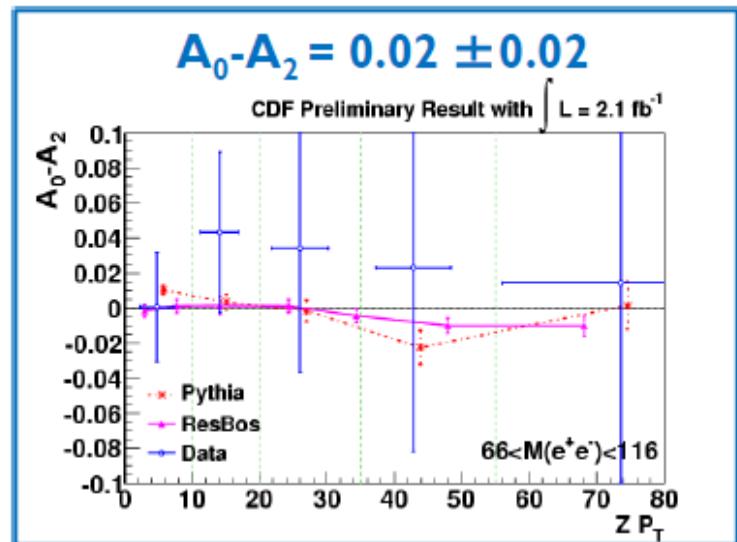
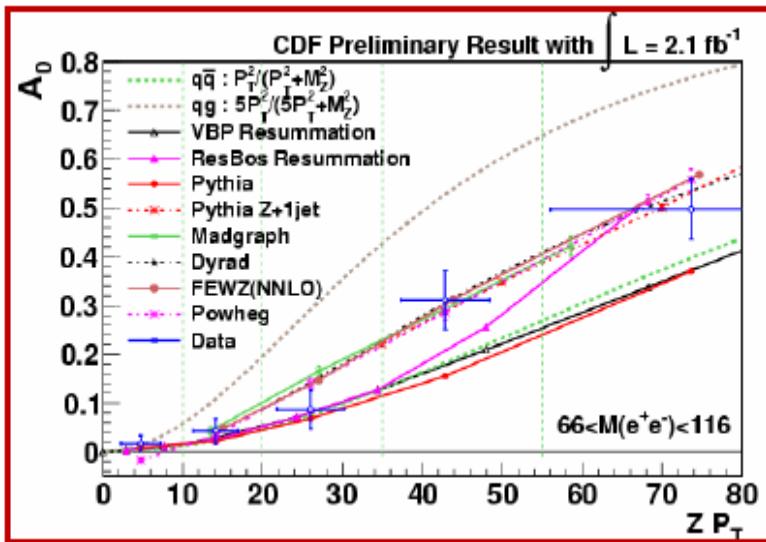
- Perturbative QCD makes definite predictions on  $A_{0,2,3,4}$  depending on the dilepton  $p_T$
- At order  $\alpha_s$ , the  $Z/\gamma^*$  boson can be produced via annihilation or Compton scattering
- Probe the contribution of different production mechanisms contributions



# $Z/\gamma^*$ Angular Coefficients ( $A_{0,2}$ )

- At order  $\alpha_s$ , both  $A_0$  and  $A_2$  should be the same for  $Z$  and  $\gamma^*$ , but they have distinct  $Z p_T$  dependencies for annihilation or Compton scattering
- The  $A_{0,2}$  trends as a function of  $Z p_T$  reveals the two  $Z$  production processes contributions, e.g. in  $Z + 1$  Jet PYTHIA simulation a significant Compton scattering contribution is expected ( $\sim 30\%$ )

- Lam-Tung relation predicts  $A_0 = A_2$  at LO and nearly the same at all orders
- Lam-Tung relation is valid for spin-1 gluons, but it is broken for scalar gluons
- First measurement of the Lam-Tung relation at large dilepton mass and high transverse dilepton  $p_T$
- Fundamental test of the vector nature of gluons



# QCD modeling in Monte Carlo

- We can access numerical values of coefficients by calculating respective moments of events distributions MC samples. Method Does not require fitting procedure allows to study impact from QED/QCD shower, different PDFs etc.
- Calculation can be done in  $p_T^{\parallel}$ ,  $y_{\parallel}$ ,  $m_{\parallel}$  bins or integrated.

$$\langle \frac{1}{2}(1 - 3 \cos^2 \theta) \rangle = \frac{3}{20}(A_0 - \frac{2}{3})$$

$$\langle \sin 2\theta \cos \phi \rangle = \frac{1}{5}A_1$$

$$\langle \sin^2 \theta \cos 2\phi \rangle = \frac{1}{10}A_2$$

$$\langle \sin \theta \cos \phi \rangle = \frac{1}{4}A_3$$

$$\langle \cos \theta \rangle = \frac{1}{4}A_4$$

$$\langle \sin \theta \sin 2\phi \rangle = \frac{1}{5}A_5$$

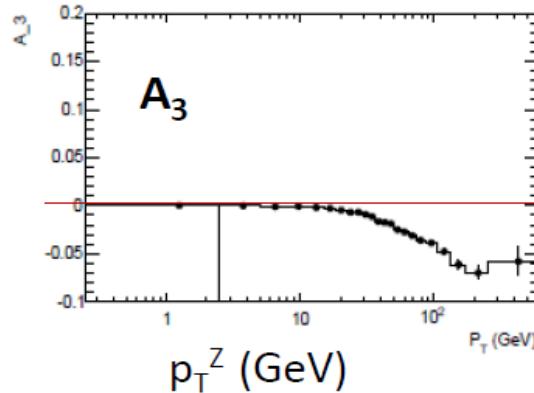
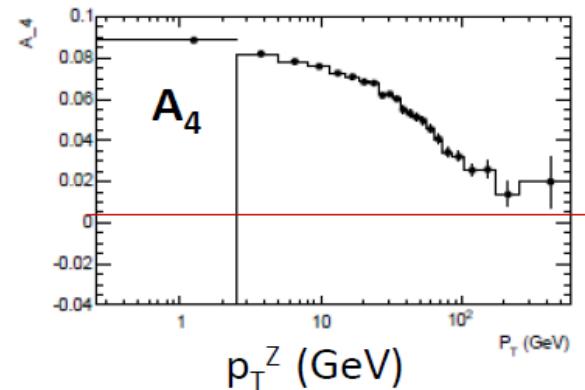
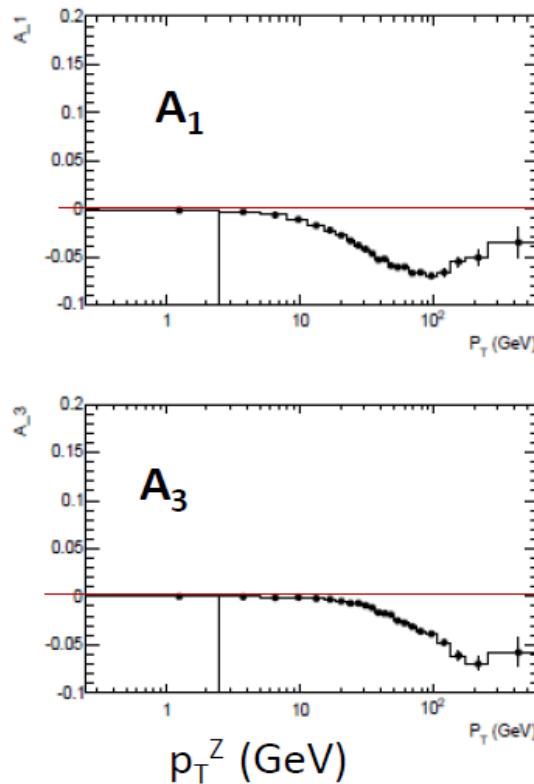
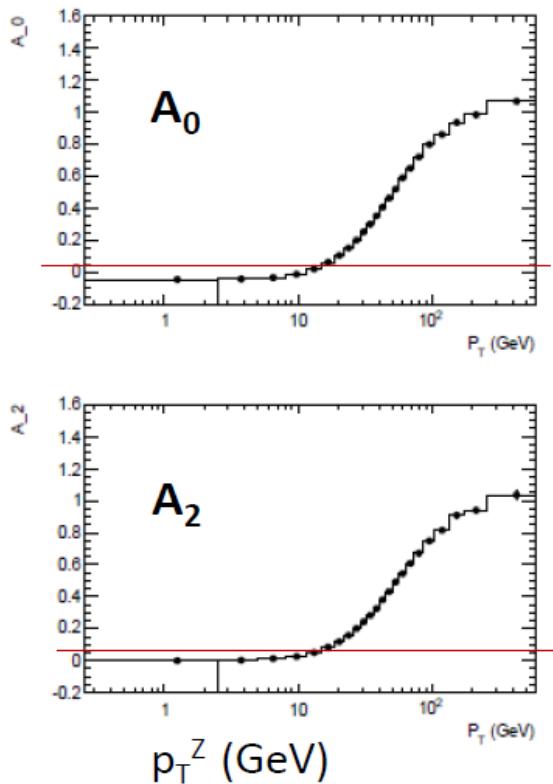
$$\langle \sin 2\theta \sin \phi \rangle = \frac{1}{5}A_6$$

$$\langle \sin \theta \sin \phi \rangle = \frac{1}{4}A_7$$

$$\langle m \rangle = \frac{\int d\sigma(p_T, y, \theta, \phi) m d\cos \theta d\phi}{\int d\sigma(p_T, y, \theta, \phi) d\cos \theta d\phi}$$

# QCD modeling in Monte Carlo

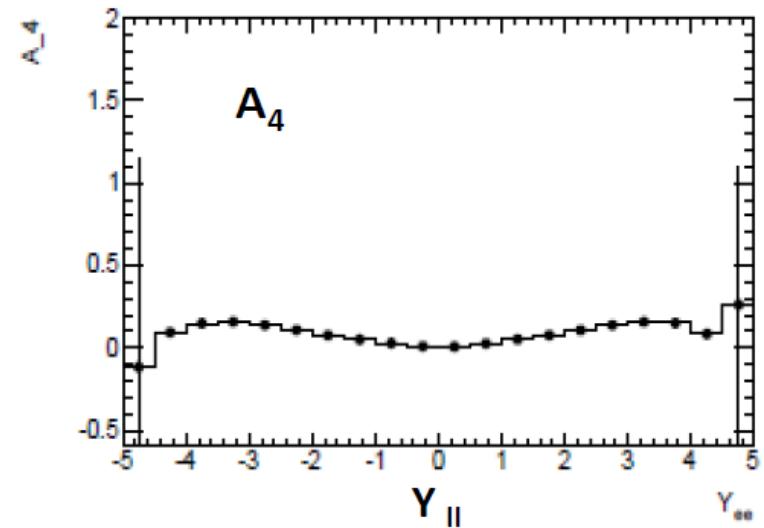
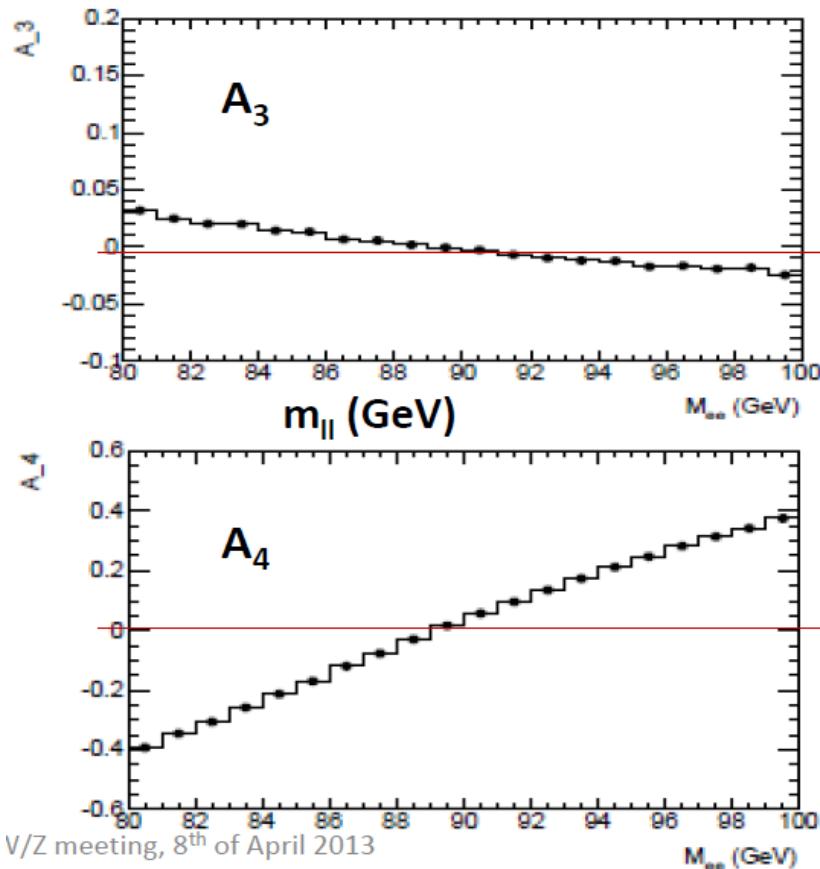
The interesting ones, others close to zero.



PowHeg LHEF events  
mc12 production

# QCD modeling in Monte Carlo

- Only  $A_3$  and  $A_4$  show some dependence on  $m_{\parallel}$
- Only  $A_4$  shows residual dependence on  $y_{\parallel}$
- For the moment, study how to extract  $A_i$  as a function of  $p_T^{\parallel}$

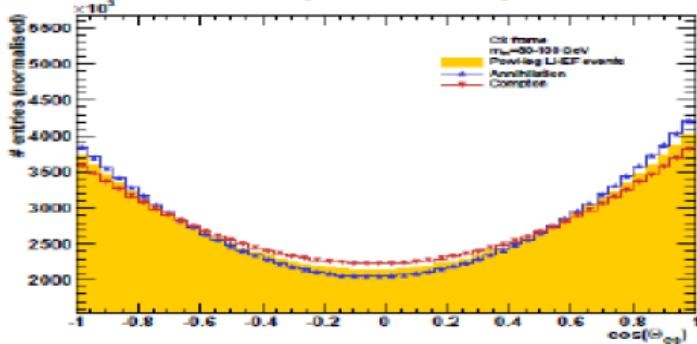


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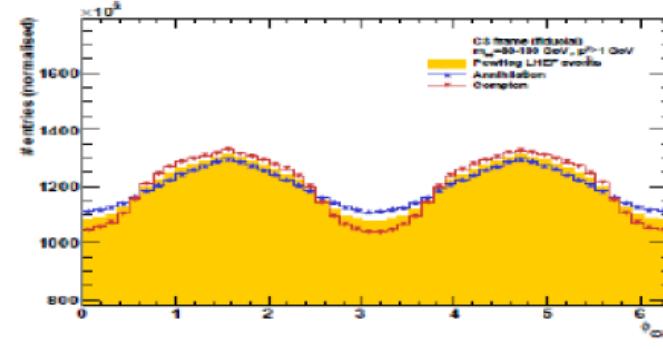
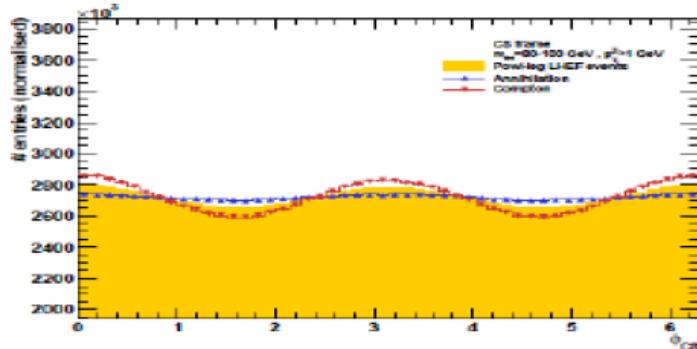
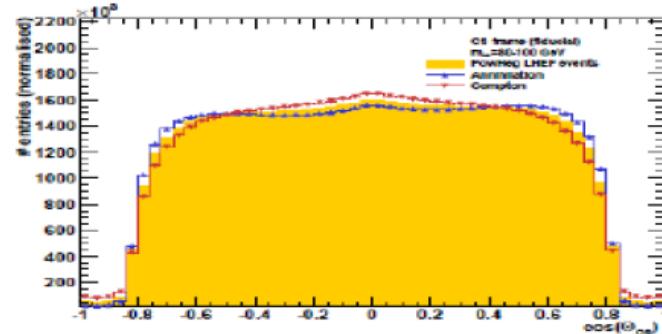
# Discriminating distributions

- Distributions are sensitive to the production sub-process, and the shapes change rapidly with  $p_T^z$
- In fiducial volume, the shapes are dominated by kinematic effects, as shown below for  $\cos\theta_{cs}$  and  $\phi_{cs}$  (integrated over  $p_T^z$ ).

Full phase-space



Fiducial phase-space



# Reweighting to isotropic events

- We can verify extracted coefficients in MC by reweighting to isotropic events (flat in both  $\cos \theta$  and  $\phi$ ) with weight

$$w_{iso} = \frac{1}{\sum_{i=0}^{i=8} < A_i^{\text{ref}} > P_i(\theta, \phi)}$$

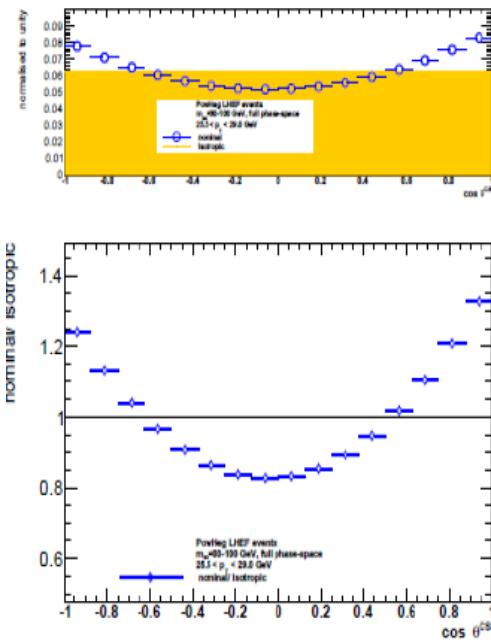
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Coefficients extracted from moments

- Reweighting can be done per individual sub-process with possibly better control on systematics due to PDFs
- Isotropic events can be used build required template shape in the fiducial volume (see latter)

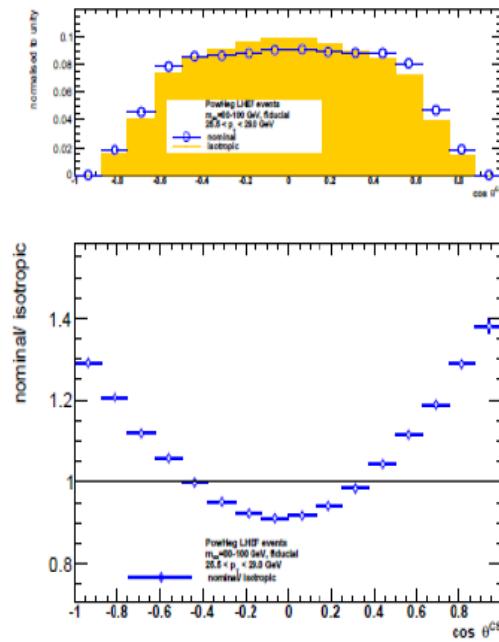
# Sensitivity in the fiducial region

- Shown below are  $\cos\theta_{\text{CS}}$  distributions of **isotropic (yellow)** and **nominal (blue)** events in the full phase-space (left) and fiducial region (middle) for one bin in  $p_T^Z$ .
- The ratios nominal/isotropic (bottom plots) quantify the sensitivity to the angular coefficients themselves.
- The double ratio (right) shows the potential biases introduced in this  $p_T^Z$  bin if one would extract coefficients in a too simplistic way.

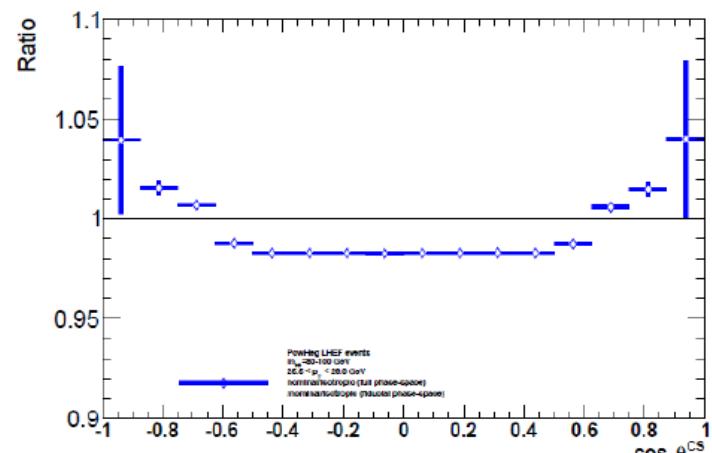
Full phase-space



Fiducial region



Ratio of ratios



$p_T^Z = 26-29 \text{ GeV}$

# Sensitivity in the fiducial region

- Shown below are  $\phi_{\text{CS}}$  distributions of **isotropic** (yellow) and **nominal** (blue) events in the full phase-space (left) and fiducial region (middle) for one bin in  $p_T^Z$ .
- The **ratios nominal/isotropic** (bottom plots) quantify the sensitivity to the angular coefficients themselves.
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