Introduction to particle physics: experimental part

Making predictions for hadron colliders

- From Feynman diagrams to cross-sections
- From cross-sections to events

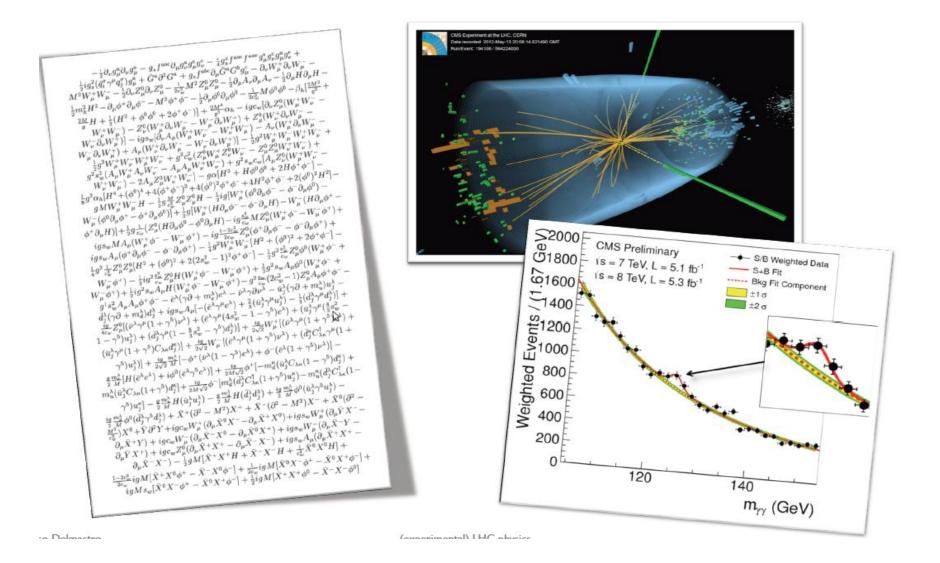
First data at LHC

Standard Model measurements

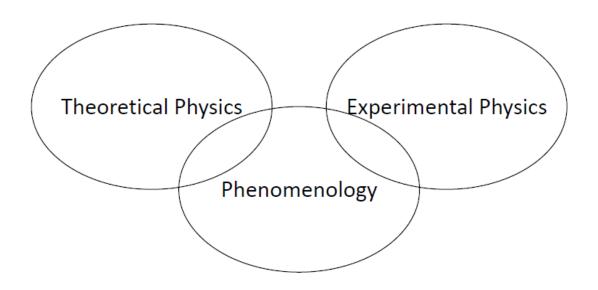
- Soft and hard QCD
- W and Z bosons
- Prompt photons
- b-jets
- Top quarks

Parts based in part on M. Seymour lecture at CERN Summer School, 2018

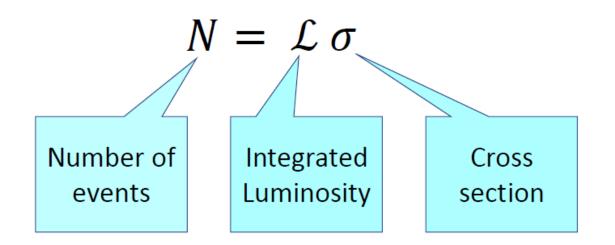
Experiment = probing theories with data



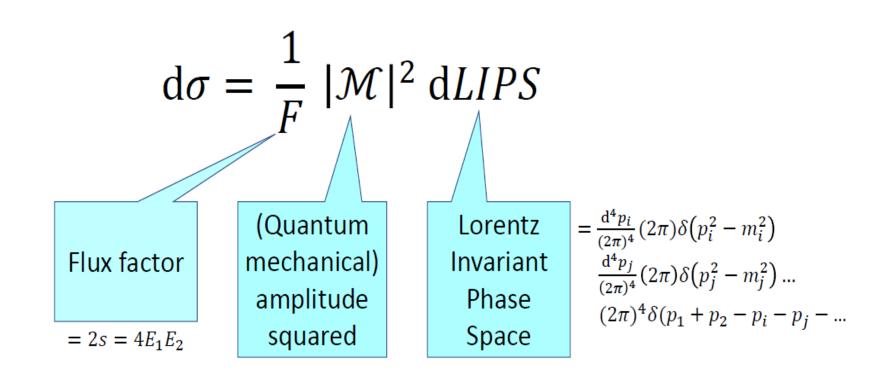
Phenomenology



Calculating Event Rates



Calculating Cross Sections

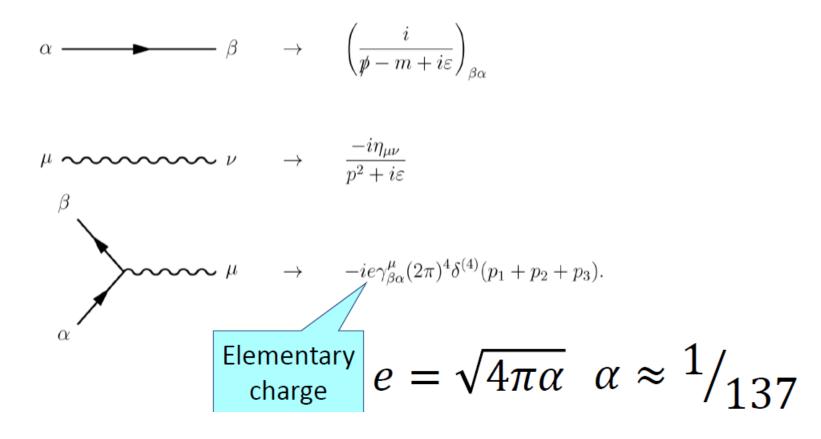


Calculating Cross Sections

$$d\sigma = \frac{1}{F} |\mathcal{M}|^2 dLIPS$$

$$\mathcal{M} = \begin{array}{c} \gamma \\ + \\ + \\ + \end{array} + \cdots$$

Feynman Rules



Tree Diagrams as Leading Order of Expansion in lpha

$$\alpha \approx {}^{1}/_{137}$$
 but $\alpha_{s} \approx 0.1$
 \Rightarrow QCD corrections important

Example: The Drell-Yan process $(pp \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-)$

$$\mathcal{M} = \underbrace{\frac{q}{q}}_{q} \underbrace{\gamma}_{\mu^{+}}^{\mu^{-}}$$

$$\Rightarrow |\mathcal{M}|^2 \propto e_q^2 \alpha^2 \frac{t^2 + u^2}{s^2} \propto e_q^2 \alpha^2 (1 + \cos^2 \theta)$$

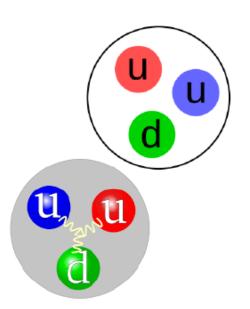
$$\Rightarrow \sigma = \frac{4\pi\alpha^2}{9Q^2} e_q^2$$

$$\left(s = Q^2 = \left(p_q + p_{\bar{q}}\right)^2\right)$$

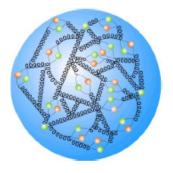
Proton structure

• Proton = uud?

Held together by gluons?



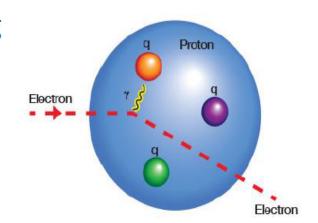
• Quantum Field Theory: gluons can create $q \bar q$ pairs



Proton can interact through any of its partons

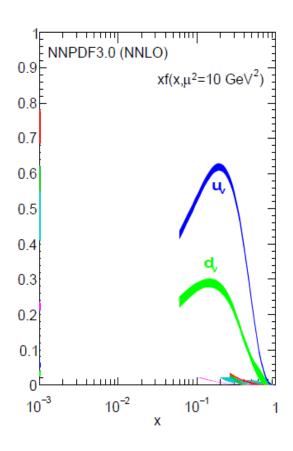
Proton structure: parton distribution functions

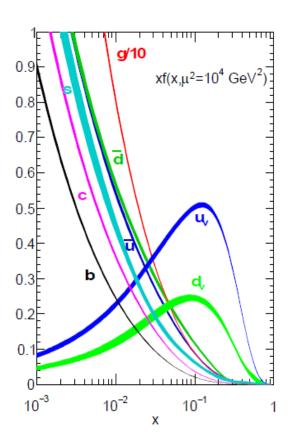
- How is the proton's energy shared between its parton constituents?
- Measure in deep inelastic electron scattering
- Quantify by parton distribution function $f_i(x)dx$ = probability that parton of type i is found with fraction of proton's momentum between x and x + dx



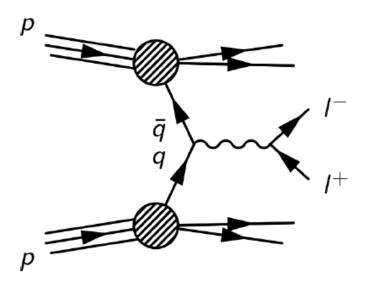
- But how long do those quantum fluctuations live?
- \Rightarrow PDFs depend on the momentum scale of the probe $f_i(x,Q^2)dx$

Proton structure: parton distribution functions





The Drell-Yan process $(pp \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-)$



$$\frac{\mathrm{d}\sigma}{\mathrm{d}Q^2} = \sum_{q} \int \mathrm{d}x_1 \, f_q(x_1, Q^2) \, \mathrm{d}x_2 \, f_{\bar{q}}(x_2, Q^2) \frac{4\pi\alpha^2}{9Q^2} e_q^2 \, \delta(x_1 x_2 s - Q^2)$$

Loop Diagrams as Higher Order Corrections

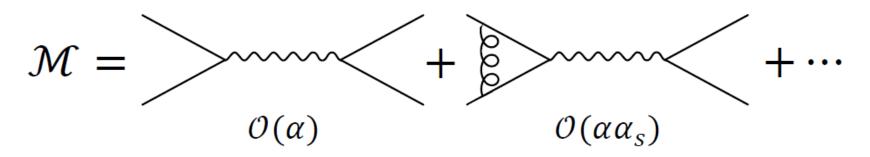
$$\mathcal{M} = \underbrace{\hspace{1cm}}_{\mathcal{O}(\alpha)} + \underbrace{\hspace{1cm}}_{\mathcal{O}(\alpha\alpha_s)} + \cdots$$

$$|\mathcal{M}|^2 = |\mathcal{M}_0|^2 + 2\Re(\mathcal{M}_0^*\mathcal{M}_1) + |\mathcal{M}_1|^2 + \cdots$$

$$\mathcal{O}(\alpha^2) \qquad \mathcal{O}(\alpha^2\alpha_s)$$

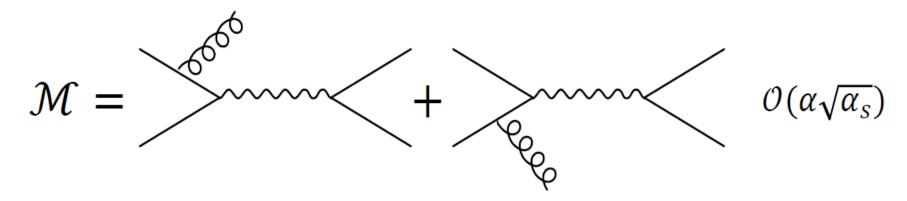
Quantum mechanics: sum over unobserved quantum numbers
 integrate over gluon momenta

Loop Diagrams as Higher Order Corrections



- Gluon momentum integral is divergent! (= minus infinity)
- Divergence comes from:
 - Momentum = 0
 - Momentum = parallel to quark or antiquark

Gluon Emission as Higher Order Correction



- Gluon emission describes a different process $(q\bar{q} \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^- g)$
- But if we are only interested in the total cross section for Drell-Yan pairs, must integrate over gluon momenta
- Divergent from momentum = 0 or parallel to quark or antiquark
- Cancels loop divergence

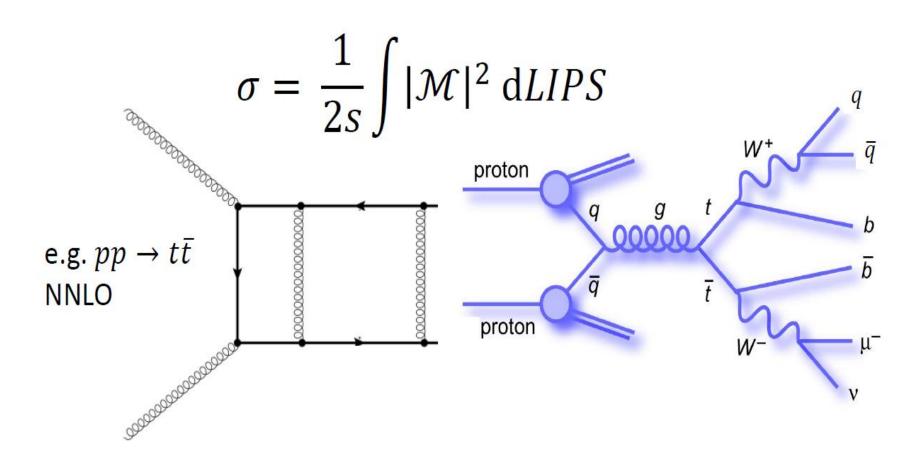
Next-to-Leading Order (NLO) cross section

- $\sigma_{NLO} = \sigma_{tree} + \sigma_{loop} + \sigma_{emission}$
- σ_{loop} and $\sigma_{emission}$ each divergent
 - must regularize and expose singularities of each
 - Subtraction algorithms
- Fully automated,
 - e.g. in Madgraph/aMC@NLO, MCFM, Sherpa, Herwig ...

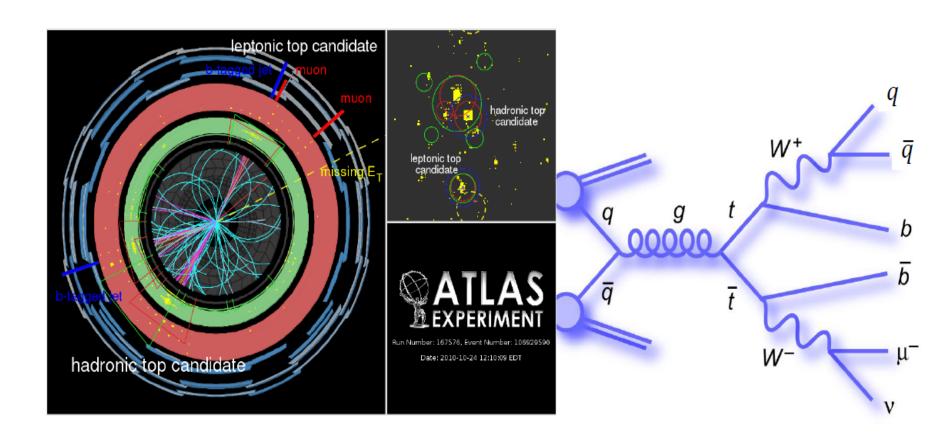
From Feynman Diagrams to Cross Sections

- Major part of phenomenology = calculating cross sections
- LO = write down all tree diagrams, integrate phase space numerically
- Convolute with parton distribution functions (fitted to data)
- NLO = one-loop diagrams, one-emission processes
 - Extract singularities from integrals, integrate analytically
 - Integrate remainders numerically
- NNLO = two-loop diagrams, one-emission at one-loop, and two emissions
- But LHC events contain hundreds of additional particles...

Cross Sections



Cross Sections are not enough



Monte Carlo event structure

Need to describe event structure

Hadrons (not quarks and gluons)
 Jets of hadrons
 Remnants of protons after parton extracted

Parton level

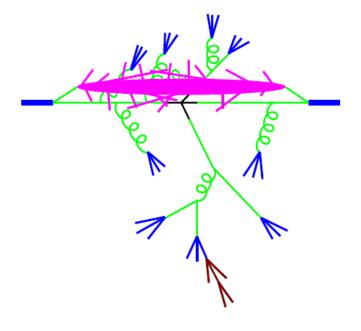
 q, g
 Particle Jet
 Energy depositions in calorimeters

• Unstable particle decays

Monte Carlo event structure

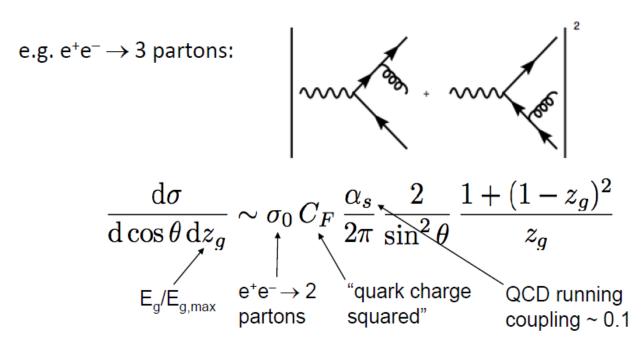
Need Event Generators

- 1. Hard process
- 2. Parton shower
- 3. Hadronization
- 4. Underlying event
- 5. Unstable particle decays



Parton showers

Gluon emission is universal



Divergent in collinear limit
$$\theta \to 0, \pi$$
 (for massless quarks) and soft limit $z_g \to 0$
$$d\sigma = \sigma_0 \sum_{\rm jets} C_F \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} \frac{d\theta^2}{\theta^2} \ dz \frac{1 + (1-z)^2}{z}$$

Parton showers

Parton branching is universal

$$d\sigma = \sigma_0 \frac{\alpha_s}{2\pi} \frac{d\theta^2}{\theta^2} dz P(z, \phi) d\phi$$

$$P(z,\phi) =$$

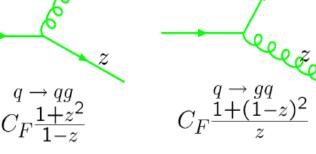
"Splitting function":

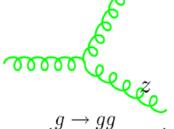
dependent on flavour and

spin but not on how parton

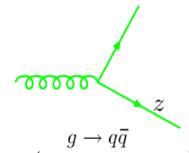
was produced

- → Probability distribution for parton branching
- → Simulation



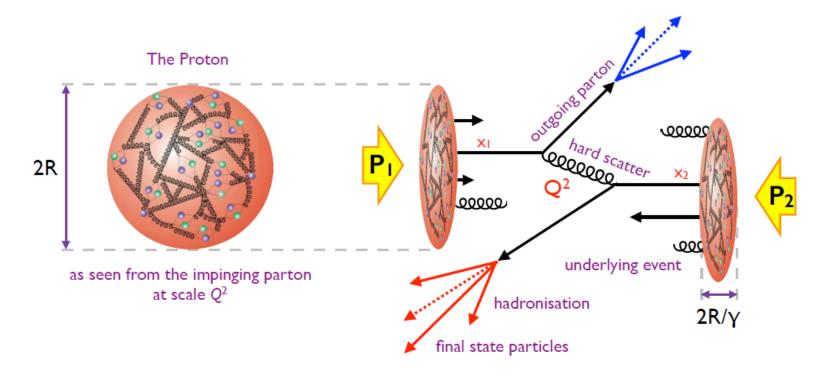


$$C_A \frac{z^4 + 1 + (1-z)^4}{z(1-z)}$$



$$T_R\left(z^2+(1-z)^2\right)$$

Proton-(anti)proton collisions



Underlying event

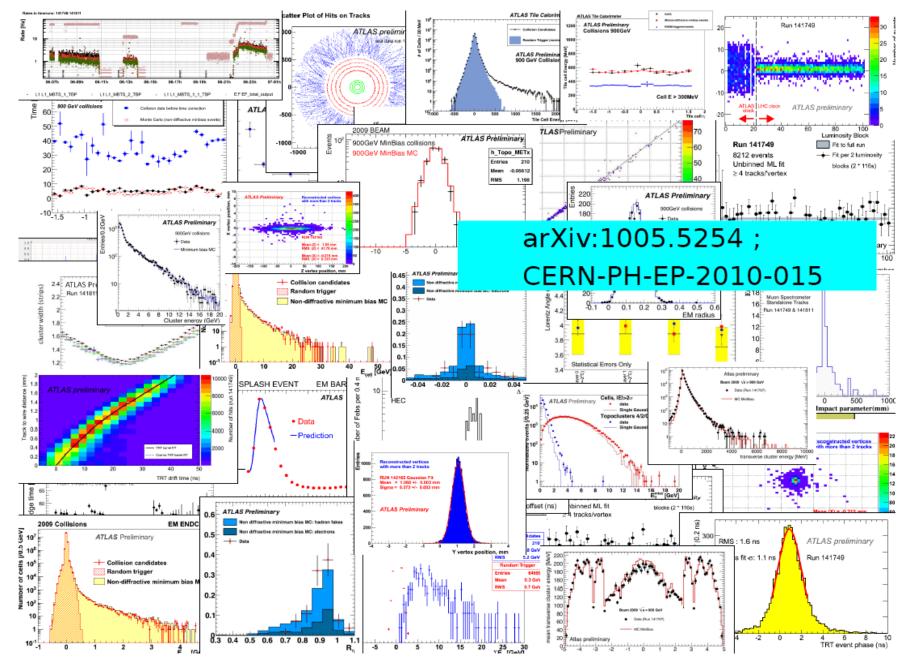
- proton remnants from collective interaction of partons not involved in hard scatter
- description necessitate "tuning" of nonperturbative MC parameters based on data

Parton shower and hadronisation

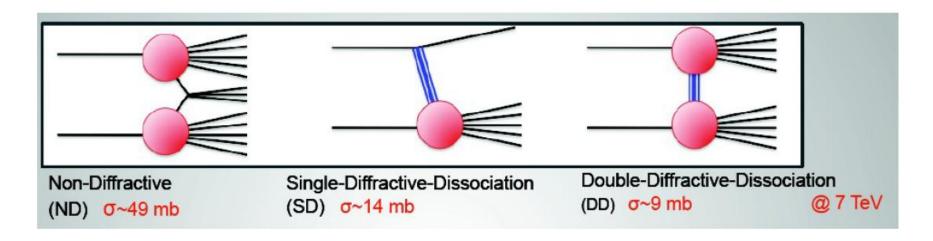
- ISR/FSR emission of gluons
- production of final states hadrons scale < Λ_{QCD} (non-perturbative)
- MC models tuned on data

The ATLAS detector

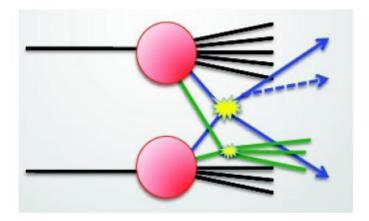
Muon Spectrometer ($|\eta|<2.7$): air-core toroids with gas-based chambers Muon trigger and measurement with momentum resolution < 10% up to E, ~ TeV Length: ~ 46 m Radius : ~ 12 m Calorimeter Weight: ~ 7000 tons **Muon Detectors** Liquid Argon Calorimeter ~108 electronic channels 3-level trigger reducing the rate from 40 MHz to ~200 Hz Inner Detector ($|\eta| < 2.5$, B=2T): Si Pixels and strips (SCT) + Transition Radiation straws Precise tracking and vertexing, e/π separation (TRT). Momentum resolution: $\sigma/p_{T} \sim 3.4 \times 10^{-4} p_{T} (GeV) \oplus 0.015$ Solenoid Magnet SCT Tracker Pixel Detector TRT Tracker EM calorimeter: Pb-LAr Accordion e/y trigger, identification and measurement HAD calorimetry (|n|<5): segmentation, hermeticity E-resolution: ~ 1% at 100 GeV, 0.5% at 1 TeV Tilecal Fe/scintillator (central), Cu/W-LAr (fwd) Trigger and measurement of jets and missing E_T E-resolution: o/E ~ 50%/√E ⊕ 0.03



Dominant QCD processes



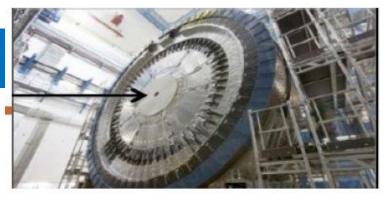
Multi-parton interactions (Underlying Event)

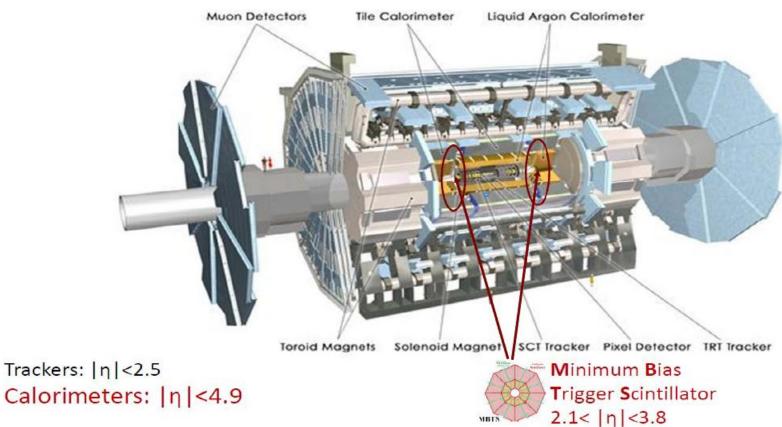


Inelastic cross-sections

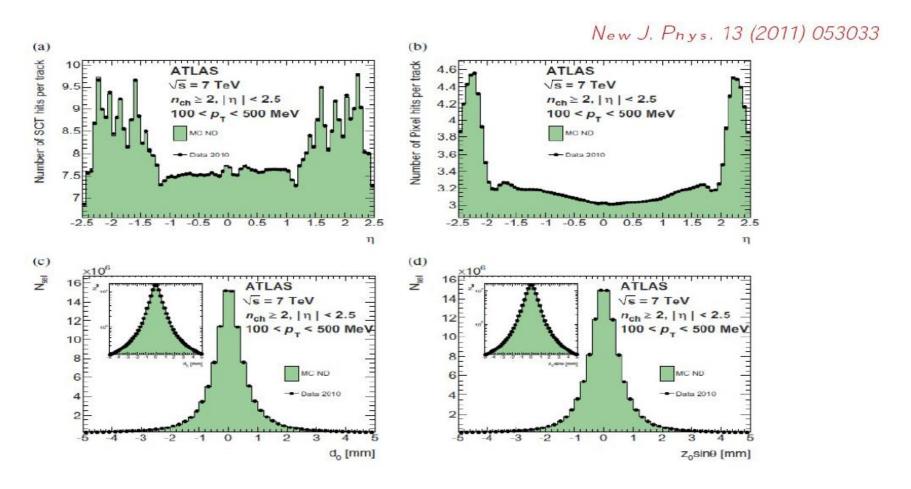
- Use only few runs: 7 TeV data (190 μb⁻¹) + 900 GeV data (7μb⁻¹) and 2.36TeV data (0.1μb⁻¹)
 - We want to study all inelastic pp interactions
 - Instantaneous luminosity very low for these runs: on average ~0.007 interactions per bunch crossing → 99.3% of crossings are empty.
 - Need to "trigger" on inelastic interactions:
 Minimum Bias Scintillator Trigger (MBTS)
 - \rightarrow sensitive to any charged particle 2.09< $|\eta|$ < 3.84
 - 16 counters on each side of ATLAS
- Correct for detector inefficiencies and resolution, eg. present spectrum of charge particles not tracks
- No extrapolation to regions not seen by ATLAS

MBST Trigger





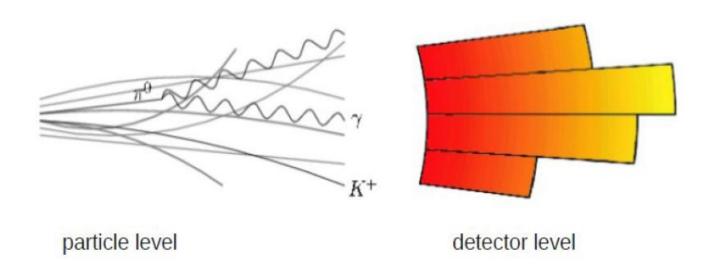
How well we understood detector?



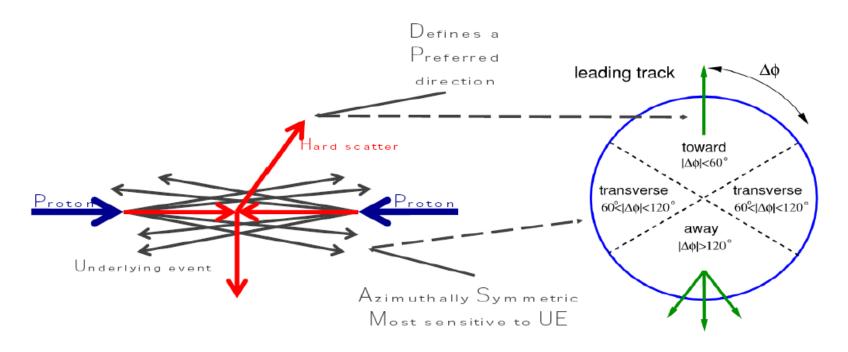
 Excellent agreement between data and MC: Pixel and Silicon hits per track

Unfolding to particle level

- Bayesian iterative unfolding used to correct tracks and clusters back to particle level.
 - Use mapping of truth particles on reconstructed objects (use Monte Carlo)

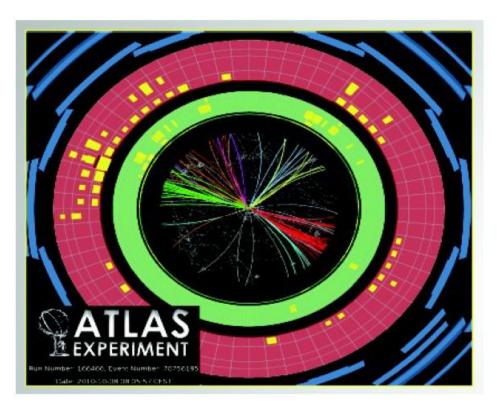


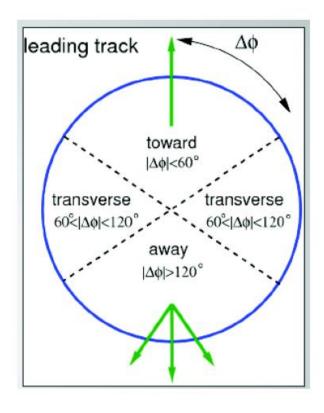
Underlying event



- UE = "everything" "hard scatter" = beam-beam remnants, MPI, ISR
- Study: charged particle density, transverse momentum, average $p_{\scriptscriptstyle T}$. Transverse region considered most sensitive to UE

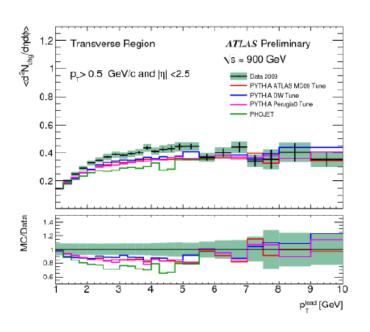
Underlying event

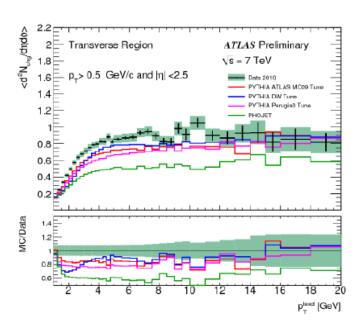




- Define the direction of "hard scatter" as the highest p_¬ particle
- Study the activity (#of particles) in the region "transverse" to the hard scatter.

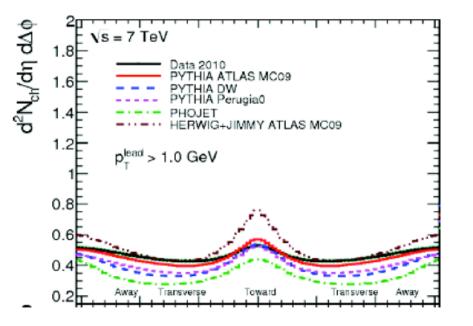
Transverse region particle density

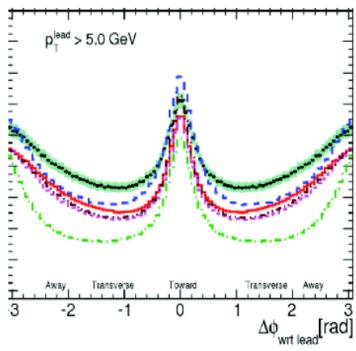




- All tunes underestimate particle density by 10%-15% in the plateau region
- There is factor of ~2 increase in activities between 900 GeV and 7 TeV
- In the plateau region the measured density corrsponds to ~ 2.5 per unit n at 900 GeV and 5 particle at 7 TeV

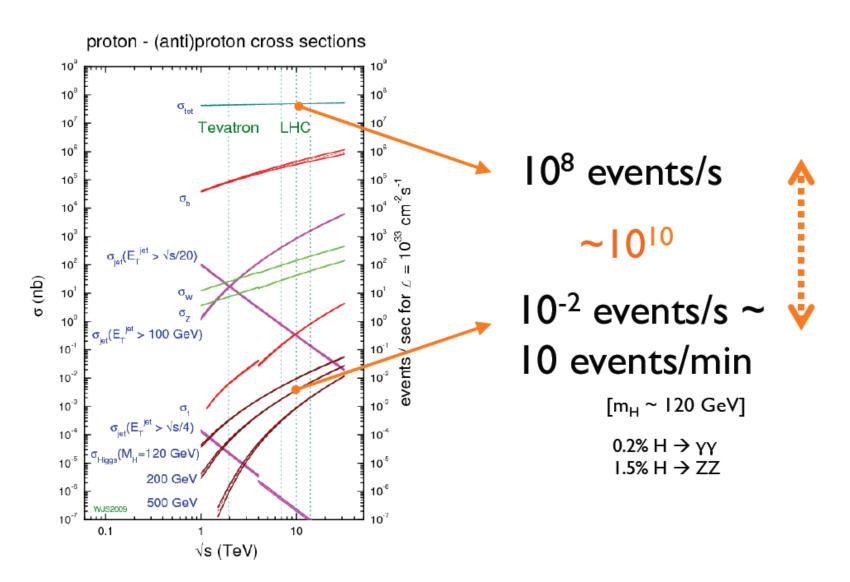
Particle density angular correlations



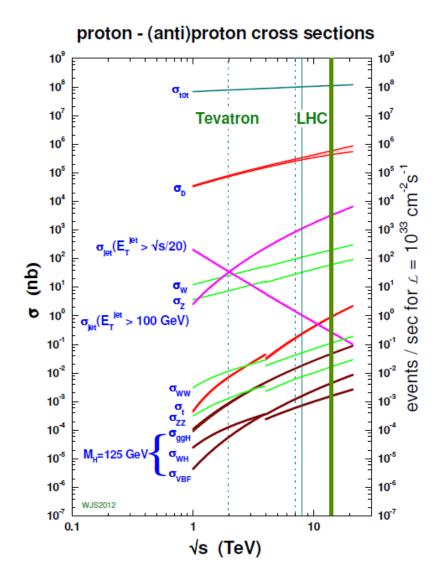


- Define the event orientation by the azimuthal angle on the track with the highest p_⊤.
- MC tunes only reproduce the general features, disagreement in rates both in the transverse region (UE) and in the away region (MPI/Hard Core)

Cross-sections at LHC



Cross-sections at LHC



- Cross sections in pp collisions at 13 TeV
 - total ≈ 100 mb
 - inelastic = 80 mb (diffractive = 25 mb)
- b-quark pair production = 400 μb
- jet with $E_T > 100 \text{ GeV} \approx 3 \mu \text{b}$
- W and Z bosons: 200 and 60 nb
- top quark pair ≈ 1.0 nb
- WW = 100 pb
- H(125 GeV) = 60 pb
- **ZZ** ≈ 20 pb

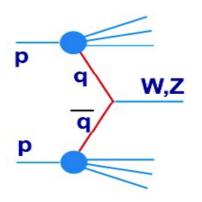
W & Z in leptonic modes

$$\sigma(pp \to W)x(W \to \ell \nu) = 20 \text{ nb}$$

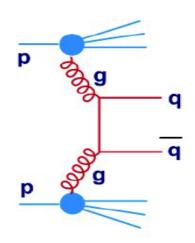
$$\sigma(pp \rightarrow Z)x(Z \rightarrow \ell\ell) = 2 \text{ nb}$$

QCD hard scattering processes

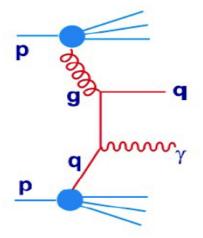
EW gauge bosons



Di-jets



Direct photons



- Measuring those processes test our understanding of:
 - Partonic structure of protons
 - QCD scattering via calculations of N(NLO)
 - Hadronisation/underlying event
 - What makes a good jet algorithm
 - Data driven background estimates for rare processes

Parton kinematics

Example of the Drell-Yan process

• lepton pair production via quark-antiquark annihilation

4-momentum of lepton pair (LO)

$$\begin{cases} E = (x_1 + x_2)\sqrt{s}/2 \\ p_z = (x_1 - x_2)\sqrt{s}/2 \end{cases}$$

$$Q^2 = E^2 - p_z^2 = x_1 x_2 s$$

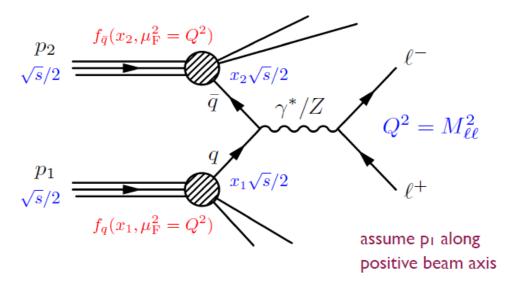
Define "rapidity" y such that

$$\frac{x_1}{x_2} = \frac{E + p_z}{E - p_z} \equiv e^{2\mathbf{y}}$$

$$\begin{array}{c|c} x_1 x_2 = Q^2/s \\ x_1/x_2 = e^{2y} \end{array}$$
 $x_{1,2} = \frac{Q}{\sqrt{s}} e^{\pm y}$

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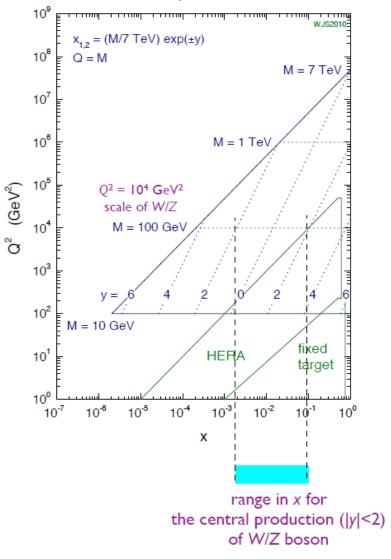
$$q(x_1) + \bar{q}(x_2) \to \gamma^*/Z \to \ell^+\ell^-$$

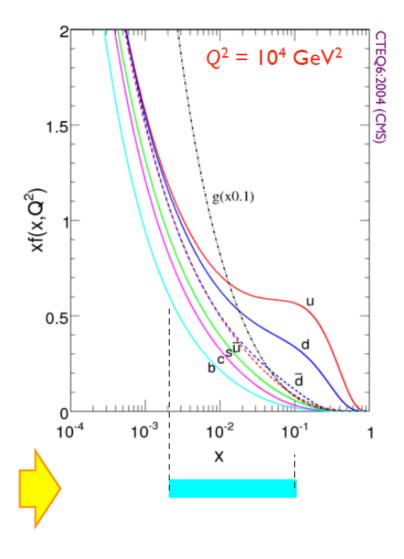


for a given Q^2 , the rapidity y relates the x_1 and x_2 of the two partons

Parton kinematics



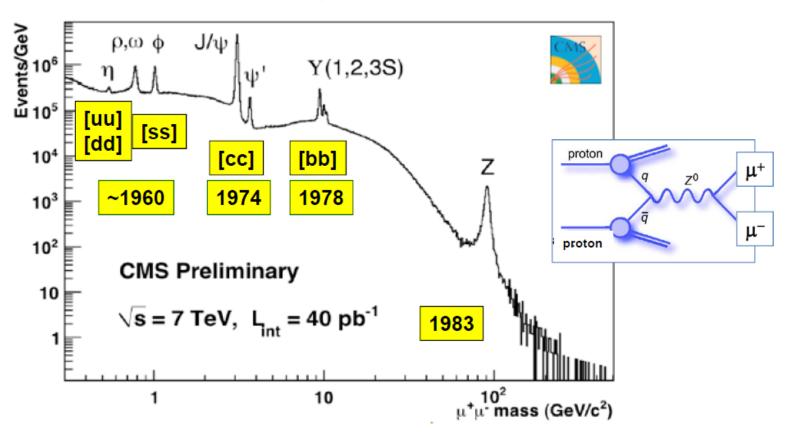




Year 2010: Retracing history of particle physics

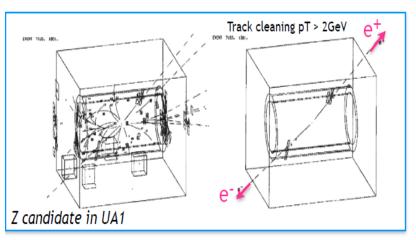
Data corresponding to ~40 pb⁻¹ collected

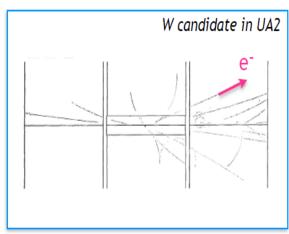
→ re-discovery of the Standard Model

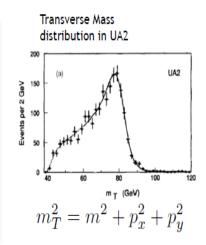


The di-muon spectrum recalls a long period of particle physics: Well known quark-antiquark resonances (bound states) appear "online"

The discovery of the W and Z bosons at CERN SppS







Altogether O(100) Z events.

Already important measurements (examples):

$$M_Z = 91.5 \pm 1.2 \pm 1.7 \,(\text{GeV})$$
 (UA1)

$$M_W = 81.0 \pm 0.8 \pm 1.3 \, ({\rm GeV})$$
 (UA2)

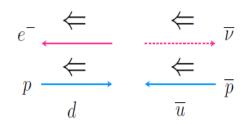
$$\rho = 1.004 \pm 0.052 \tag{UA1}$$

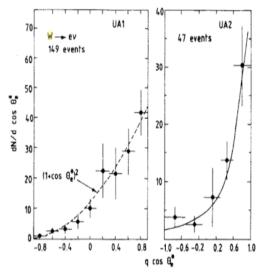
$$\sin^2 \theta_W = 0.226 \pm 0.014 \tag{UA1}$$

Altogether O(1000) W events

At SppS W production dominated by valence quarks

W polarised in the anti-proton direction.



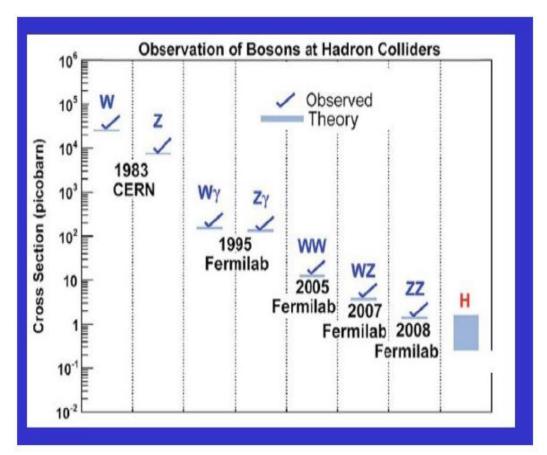


Bosons at hadron colliders

The primary decay chanel is through leptonic decays:

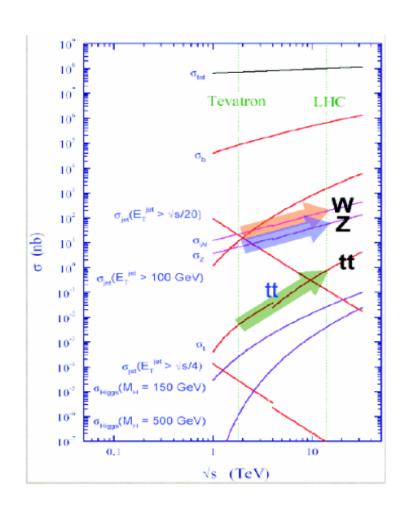
- □ BR(W→e ν) ~ 10%
- BR(Z→ ee) ~ 3%
- It means that we are probing σ x BR values orders of magnitude smaller
- At LHC cross-section
 5-10 x higher than at Tevatron at Fermilab.

2010

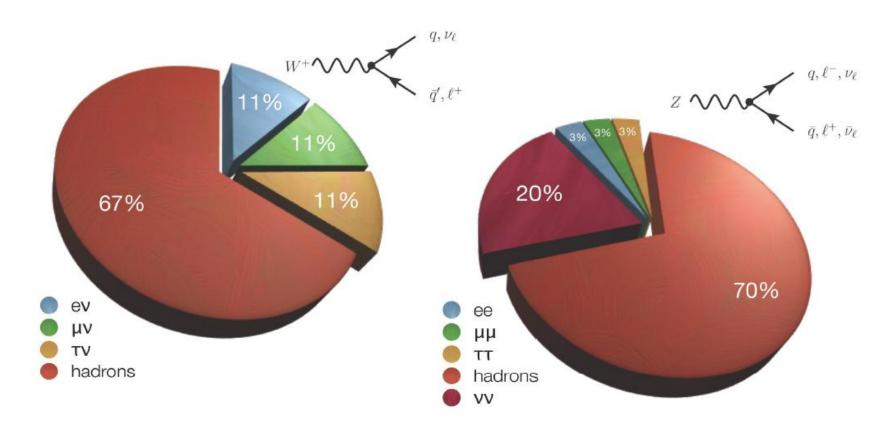


Bosons and top quark at LHC

- Well measured by previous experiments
- Still educational at LHC
 - Cross-sections
 - New PDF constraints
- "Standard candles" for high p_T analyses
 - Calibration, alignment
 - Independent luminosity measurements

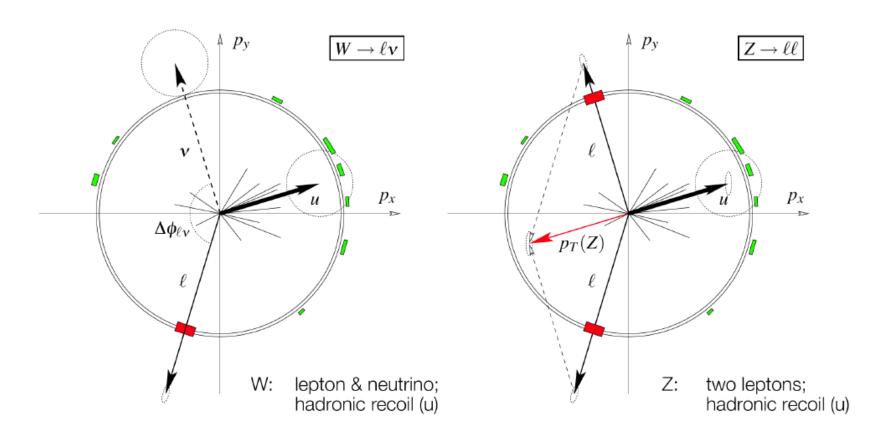


W and Z boson decays



Leptonic decays (e/ μ): very clean, but small(ish) branching fractions Hadronic decays: two-jet final states; large QCD dijet background Tau decays: somewhere in between...

W and Z boson signatures



Additional hadronic activity → recoil, not as clean as e+e-Precision measurements: only leptonic decays

Lepton identification

Electron:

- Compact electromagnetic cluster in calorimeter
- Matched to track

Muons:

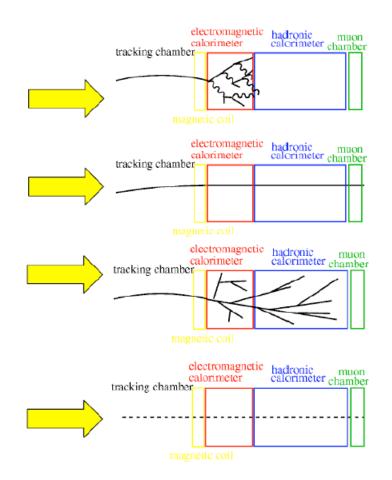
- Track in the muon chambers
- Matched to track

Taus:

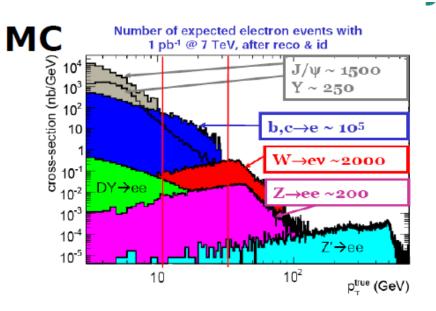
- Narrow jet
- Matched to one or three tracks

Neutrinos

- Imbalanse in transverse momentum
- Inferred from total transverse energy in detector



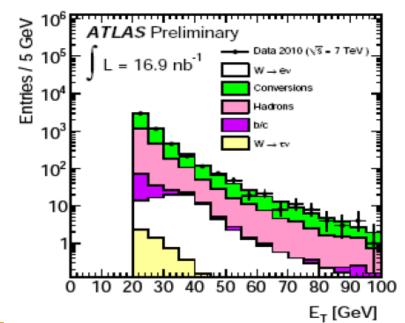
Electrons and jets



 There is also lot of true electrons from semileptonic decays inside jets

DATA: loose electron ID

- Jets can look like electrons
 - □ Photon conversion from π^{0} 's
 - Early showering charged pions
- And there is lot of jets
- Difficult to model in Monte Carlo
 - Detailed simulation in tracking __ and calorimeter volume



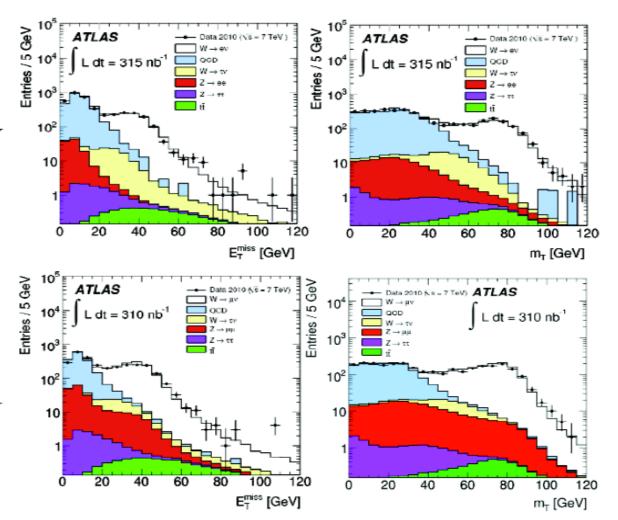
W selection (2010)

Electrons:

- $E_T > 20 \text{ GeV}$
- Tight ID
- Missing $E_T > 25 \text{ GeV}$
- $m_T > 40 \; GeV$
- > 1069 Candidates

Muons:

- $p_T > 20 \text{ GeV}$
- Track isolation
- Missing $E_T > 25 \text{ GeV}$
- $m_T > 40 \text{ GeV}$
- > 1181 Candidates



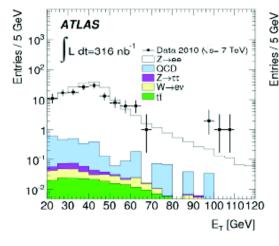
Z selection (2010)

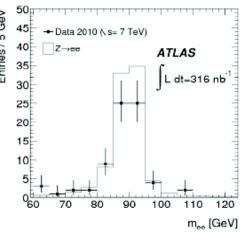
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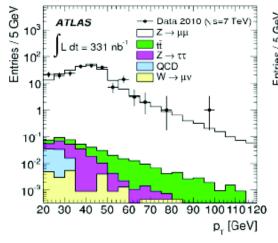
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- Opposite charge
- Medium ID
- $0 66 < m_{ee} < 116 \text{ GeV}$
- > 70 Candidates

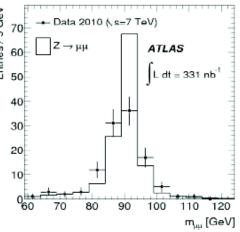
2 Muons:

- $p_T > 20 \text{ GeV}$
- Track isolation
- Opposite charge
- $0 66 < m_{\mu\mu} < 116 \ GeV$
- > 109 Candidates









W backgrounds

Electrons:

• EW + top background: W $\rightarrow \tau \nu + Z \rightarrow e^+e^- + t\bar{t}$

$$N_{\text{EW+TOP}} = 33.5 \pm 0.2(\text{stat}) \pm 3.0(\text{syst})$$

 QCD background is estimated with the template method using the missing energy distribution.

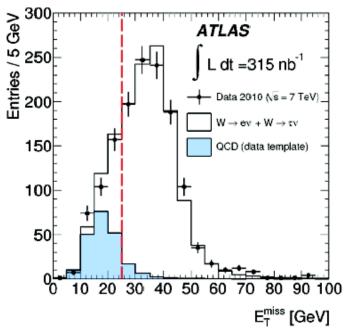
$$N_{QCD} = 28.0 \pm 3.0(stat) \pm 10.0(syst)$$

Muons:

- EW + top background: $Z \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^- + W \rightarrow \tau \nu^- + t\bar{t}$ $N_{EW+TOP} = 77.6 \pm 0.3(stat) \pm 5.4(syst)$
- QCD background estimated from comparison of events seen in data after the full selection to number of events observed if the isolation is not applied.

$$N_{QCD}=22.8\pm4.6(stat)\pm8.7(syst)$$

$$\begin{split} N_{loose} &= N_{nonQCD} + N_{QCD} \\ N_{iso} &= \epsilon_{nonQCD}^{iso} N_{nonQCD} + \epsilon_{QCD}^{iso} N_{QCD} \end{split}$$



Cross-section & Luminosity

Number of observed events

just count ...

Background

measured from data or calculated from theory

$$\sigma = \frac{N^{\text{obs}} - N^{\text{bkg}}}{\int \mathcal{L} \, \mathrm{d}t \cdot \varepsilon}$$

Luminosity

determined by accelerator, triggers, ...

Efficiency

many factors, optimized by experimentalist

W cross-section measurement

The total cross section for each lepton channel can be obtained by:

$$\sigma_W imes BR(W o l
u) = rac{N_W^{obs} - N^{bkg}}{A_W C_W L_{int}}$$

 A_W is the geometrical acceptance calculated at generator level:

$$A_W = \left(\frac{N^{acc}}{N^{all}}\right)_{gen}$$

MC	A_W	A_W	A_W	A_W	A_W	A_W
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C_w correction factor and uncertainties

$$\sigma_W imes BR(W o l
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o C_{w} is a factor correcting for reconstruction, identification and trigger efficiencies of the lepton.

27	W o e u	$W o \mu u$
C_W	0.66	0.76

Components to systematic uncertainties, are summarized below:

Parameter	$\delta C_W/C_W(\%)$
Trigger efficiency	< 0.2
Material effects, reconstruction and identification	5.6
Energy scale and resolution	3.3
E _T scale and resolution	2.0
Problematic regions in the calorimeter	1.4
Pile-up	0.5
Charge misidentification	0.5
FSR modelling	0.3
Theoretical uncertainty (PDFs)	0.3
Total uncertainty	7.0

Parameter	$\delta C_W/C_W(\%)$
Trigger efficiency	1.9
Reconstruction efficiency	2.5
Momentum scale	1.2
Momentum resolution	0.2
$E_{\rm T}^{\rm miss}$ scale and resolution	2.0
Isolation efficiency	1.0
Theoretical uncertainty (PDFs)	0.3
Total uncertainty	4.0

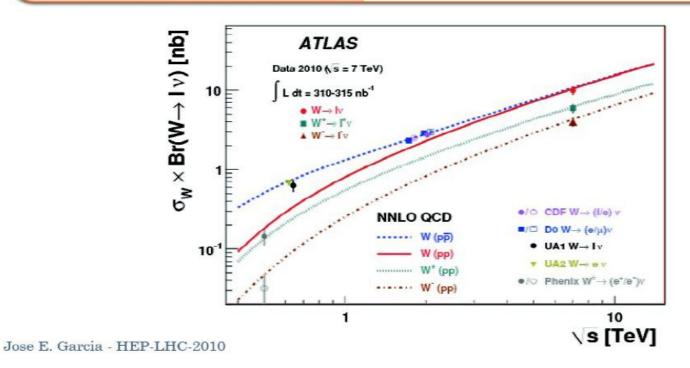
Electrons

Muons

W cross-section measurement

 $L \approx 310 - 315 \text{ } nb^{-1}$

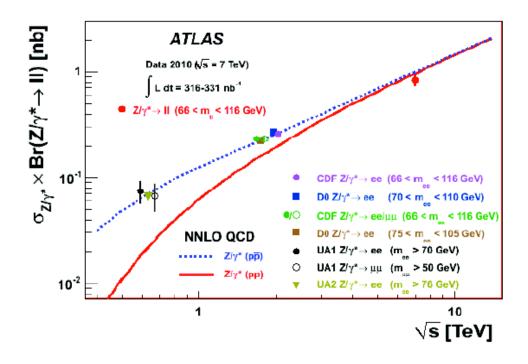
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Theory prediction : 10.46 \pm 0.42 \text{ nb}
\sigma_W \times BR(W \to e\nu) = [10.51 \pm 0.34(stat) \pm 0.81(sys) \pm 1.16(lumi)] nb
\sigma_W \times BR(W \to \mu\nu) = [9.58 \pm 0.30(stat) \pm 0.50(sys) \pm 1.05(lumi)] nb
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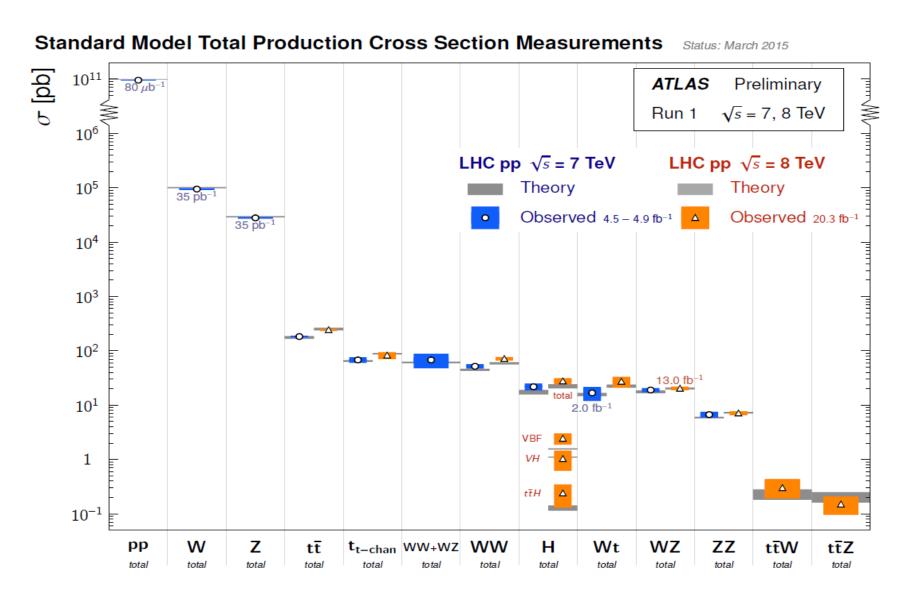
Z cross-section measurement

 $L \approx 310 - 315 \ nb^{-1}$

Theory prediction: 0.96 ± 0.04 nb for [66 - 116] GeV mass window $\sigma_Z \times BR(Z \to e^+e^-) = [0.75 \pm 0.09(stat) \pm 0.08(sys) \pm 0.08(lumi)] \, nb$ $\sigma_Z \times BR(Z \to \mu^+\mu^-) = [0.87 \pm 0.08(stat) \pm 0.06(sys) \pm 0.10(lumi)] \, nb$



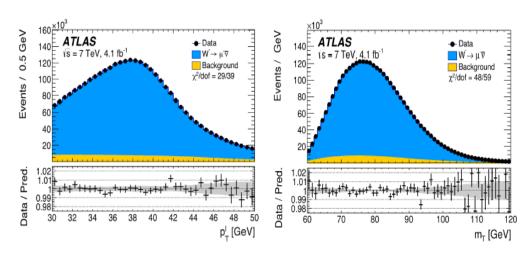
Production cross-sections



Measurement of the M_w at the LHC

A Milestone measurement!

Analysis strategy based on two kinematic distributions fitted in several categories



 p_T^ℓ

Clean energy measurement, but more sensitive to the modelling of the W transverse momentum

 m_T

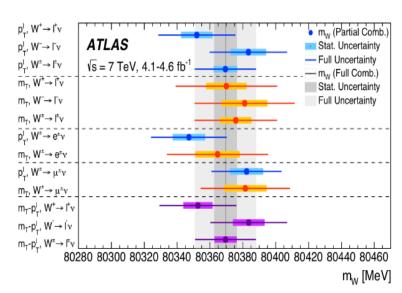
Less sensitive to modelling but more difficult from to reconstruct (based on the missing transverse energy.

$$m_T = \sqrt{2p_T^{\ell} p_T^{miss} (1 - \cos\Delta\phi)}$$

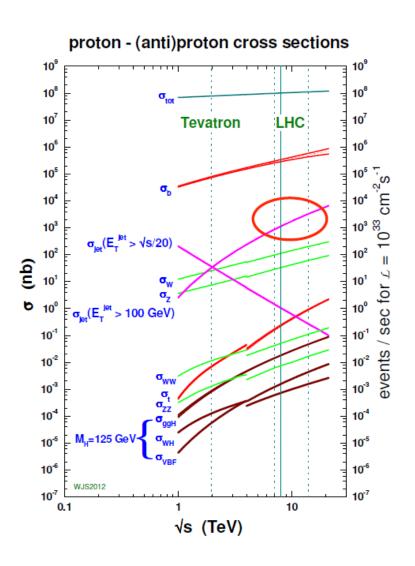
Categories are defined by the charge of the reconstructed lepton, its flavor (electron or muon) and its pseudo rapidity.

$$m_W = 80369.5 \pm 18.5 MeV$$

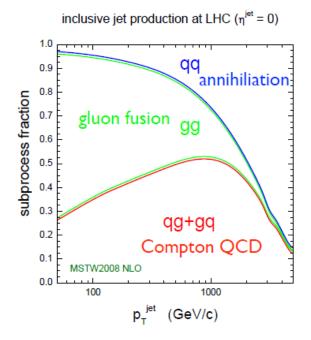
 $(\pm 6.8 (Stat)$
 $\pm 10.6 (Exp. Sys.)$
 $\pm 13.6 (Mod. Sys.) MeV)$



Jet physics

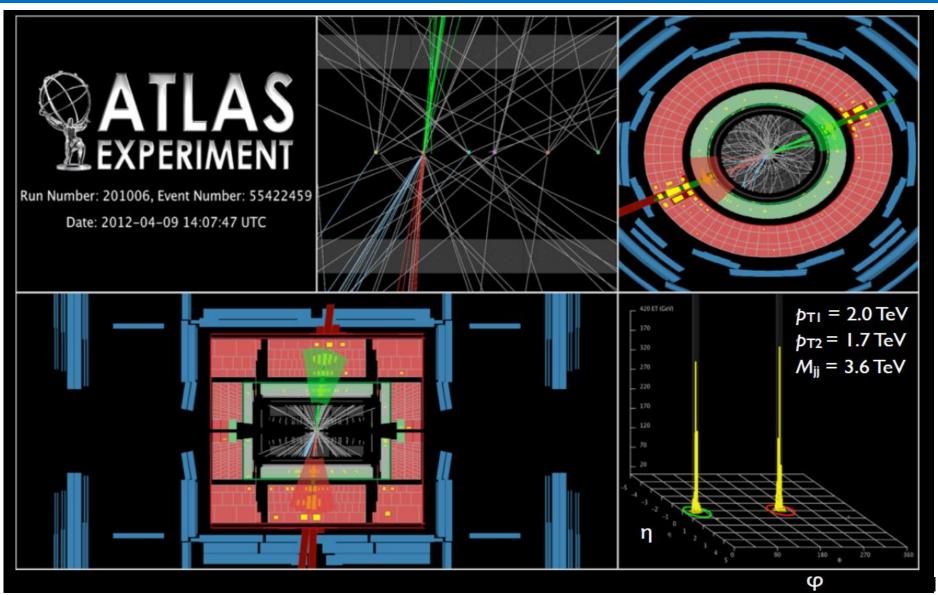


99% of events at the LHC contain at least one jet with $E_T^{\text{jet}} > 20 \text{ GeV}$

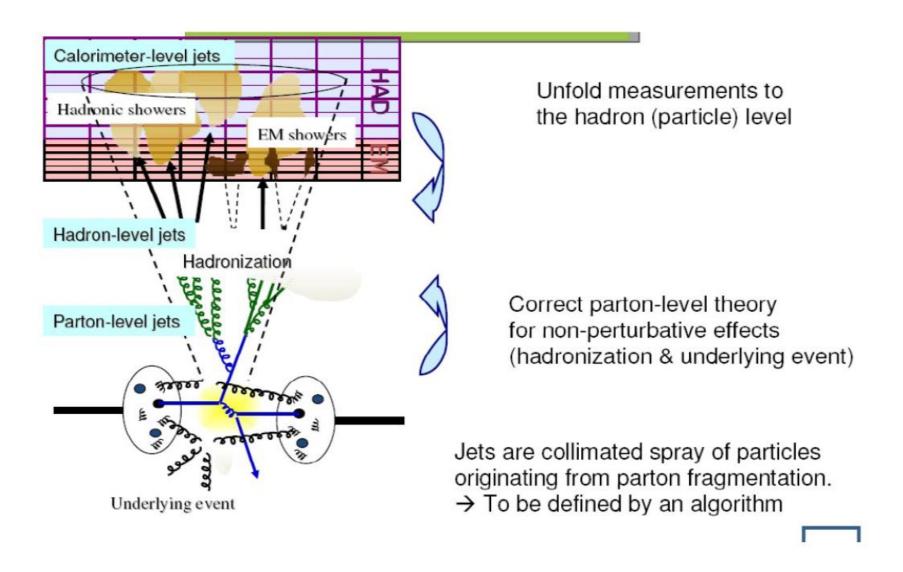


- Understand quark-gluon content of proton up to highest energies
- Perform Rutherford analysis at quark level and constrain quark compositeness

Confinement, hadronisation, jets....

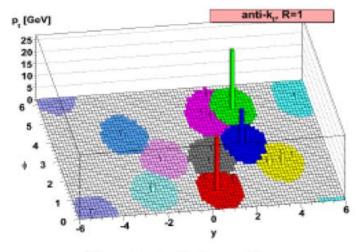


Inclusive jet production



Jet reconstruction

Jet finding: from partons/particles/energy deposits to jet

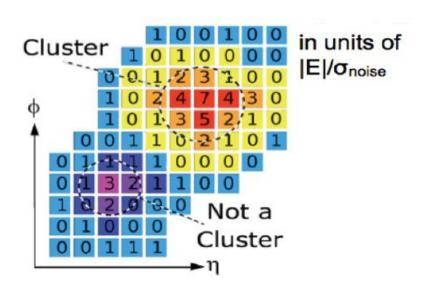


[Cacciari, Salam, Soyez JHEP 0804:063,2008]

Energy deposits → noise-suppressed 3D clusters: exploit transverse and longitudinal calorimeter segmentation

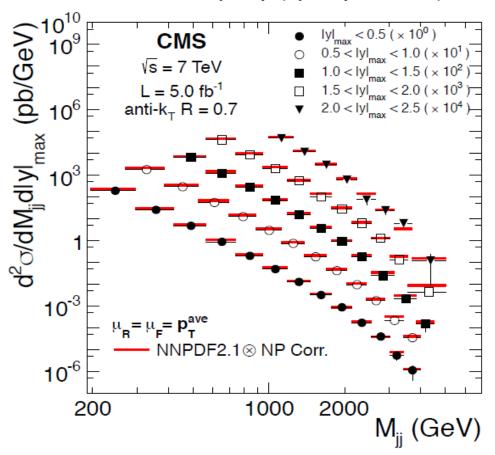
Jet inputs clustered with anti- k_T algorithm:

- Infrared safe, collinear safe (⇒ NLO comparisons)
- Regular, cone-like jets in calorimeters
- Distance parameter 0.4, 0.6



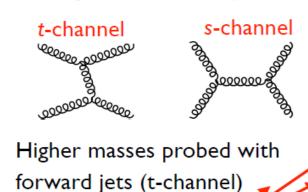
Di-jet cross-section

As a function of di-jet invariant mass in bins of rapidity (up to $y_{max} = 2.5$)



Excellent agreement between NLO theory prediction and data over eight orders of magnitude

Probing di-jet masses up to 4 TeV



y_{max}

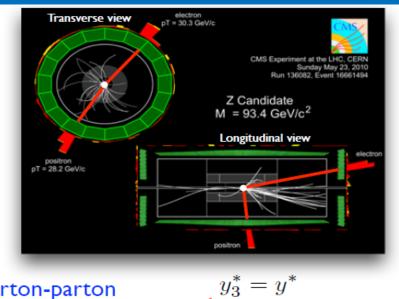
$2 \rightarrow 2$ process

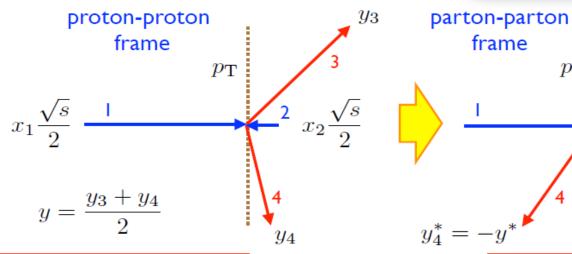
$$p_1 + p_2 \rightarrow p_3 + p_4$$

incoming partons outgoing particles (along beam axis) (assumed massless)

From p_T , y_3 and y_4 extract:

- mass and rapidity of the 3+4 pair
- (hence x_1 and x_2)
- CoM scattering angle





$$M = 2p_{\rm T} \cosh \frac{y_3 - y_4}{2}$$

$$x_{1,2} = \frac{M}{\sqrt{s}}e^{\pm y}$$

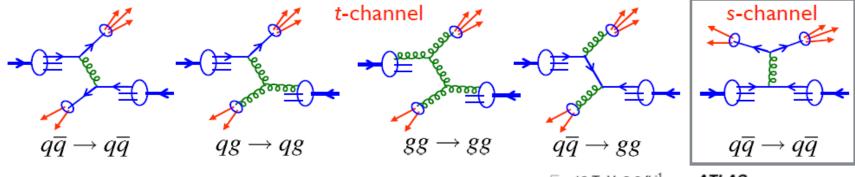
$$\cos \theta^* = p_z^* / E^* = \tanh y^*$$
$$y^* = \frac{y_3 - y_4}{2}$$

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The difference in rapidity determines the centre of mass scattering angle

Quark Compositeness?

Most important subprocesses via exchange of a massless vector boson in the t-channel



Rutherford at quark level

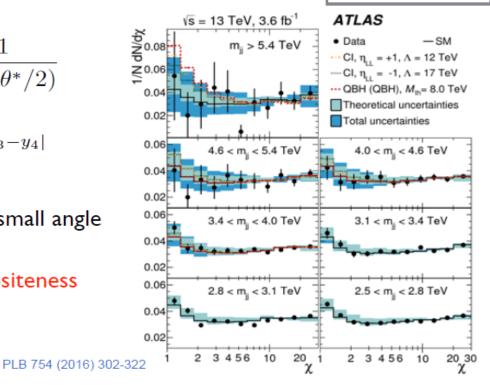
$$\frac{\mathrm{d}\hat{\sigma}}{\mathrm{d}\cos\theta^*} \sim \frac{1}{\sin^4(\theta^*/2)}$$

Variable

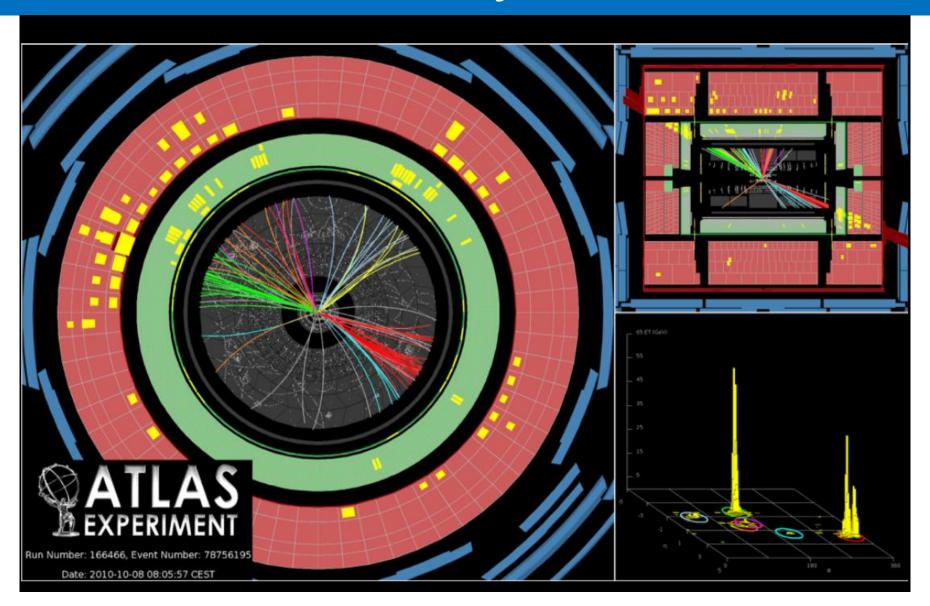
$$\chi = \frac{1 + \cos \theta^*}{1 - \cos \theta^*} = e^{|y_3 - y_4|}$$

For pointlike quark: $\frac{d\hat{\sigma}}{d\chi}\sim cst$ $% \frac{d\hat{\sigma}}{d\chi}$ at small angle

No evidence for quark/gluon compositeness from angular distributions



Three jets

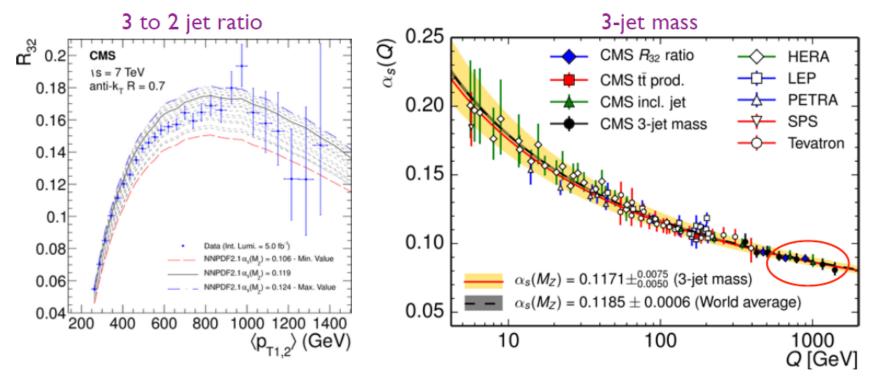


Constraints on Strong Coupling

Constraints on α_s from several jet analyses

- inclusive jet production
- ratio 3-jets to 2-jets
- 3-jet mass spectrum

Uncertainties usually dominated by theory (PDFs and scales)

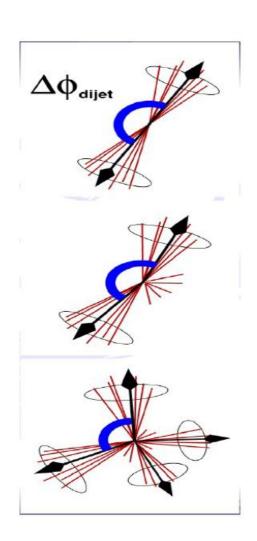


Not competitive with most precise measurements at the Z boson

• but in unprecedented range in energy (two orders of magnitude in Q!)

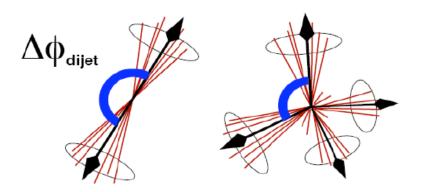
Multi-jet events

- Azimuthal decorrelations in dijet events and distribution of energy within jets sensitive to QCD radiation structures
 - Probing higher order QCD radiation
 - Main systematics: cluster energy scale (separate from JES) and unfolding

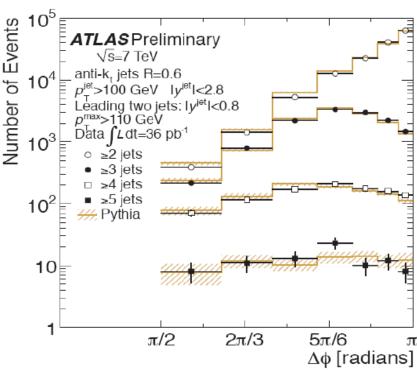


Azimuthal decorrelations

- Complementary to multi-jet cross section measurement.
- Pure di-jets have azimutal angle
 Φ between jets equal to π.
- With additional hard radiation, i.e. extra jets, phi becomes smaller.



Requiring additional jets flattens distribution.

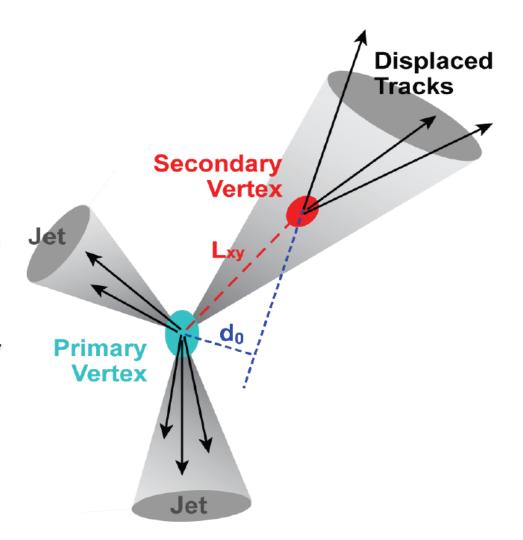


Confinement, hadronisation, jets....

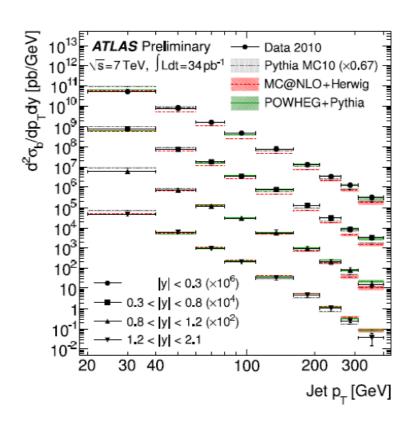
B-tagging



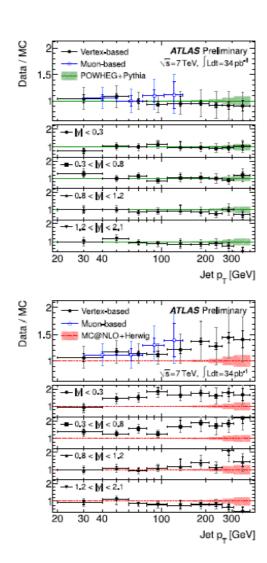
- When a b quark is produced, the associated jet will very likely contain at least one B meson or hadron
- B mesons/hadrons have relatively long lifetime
 - They will travel away form collision point before decaying
- Identifying a secondary decay vertex in a jet allow to tag its quark content
- Similar procedure for c quark...



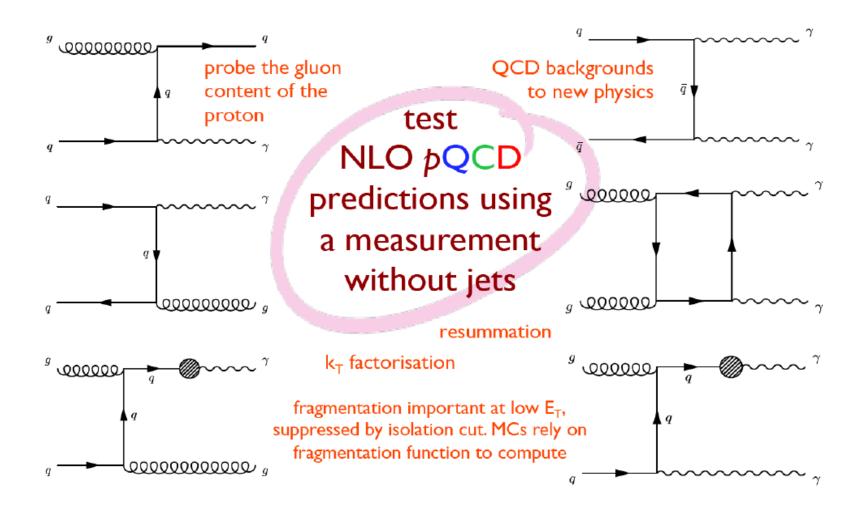
b-jet cross-sections



- Good agreement with Powheg+PYTHIA
- MC@NLO+Herwig predicts too few central jets, too many forward jets



Why measure prompt photons



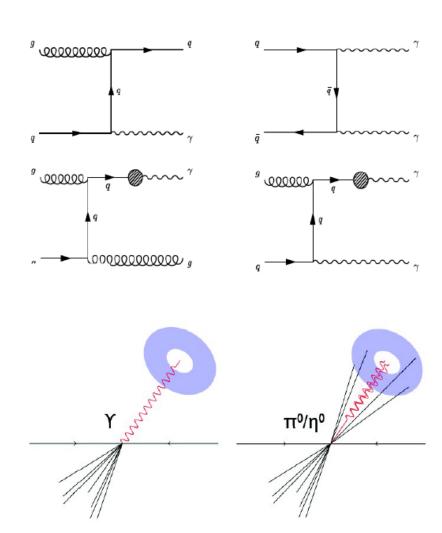
Prompt and isolated photons

Prompt:

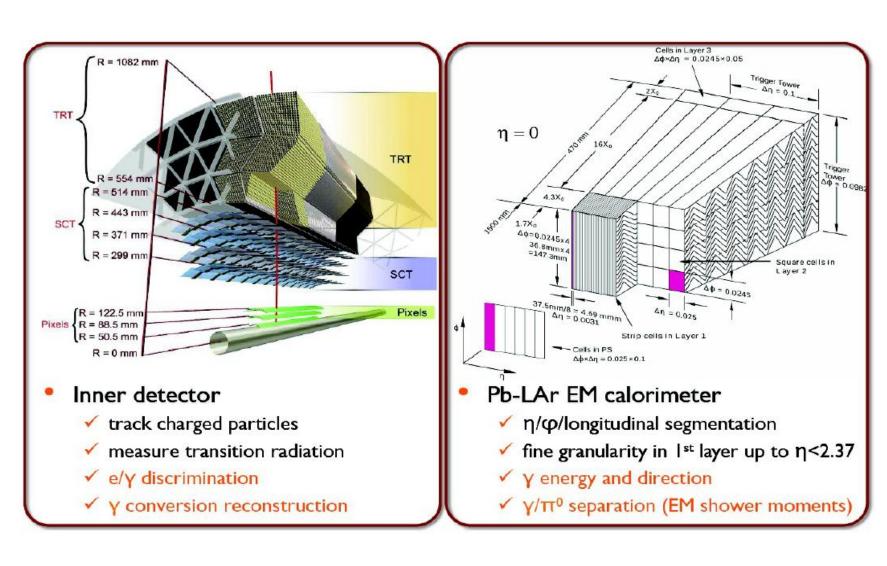
- Direct from the hard scattering
- Parton fragmentation more important at low E_T

Isolated:

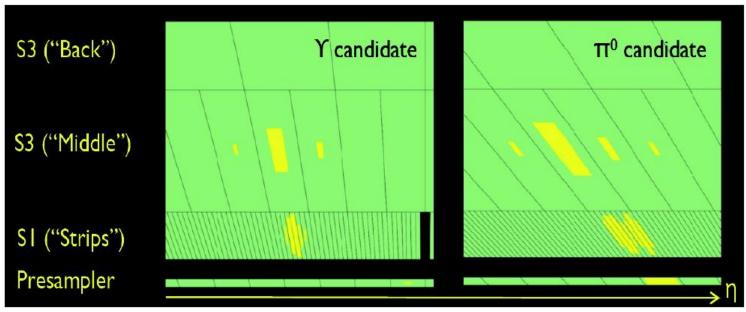
- Isolation criteria to reduce bgd from QCD jets
 - Photons from neutral meson decay in jets
- Reduced fragmentation component:
 - ~30% reduction at 15 GeV
 - <10% above 35 GeV</p>



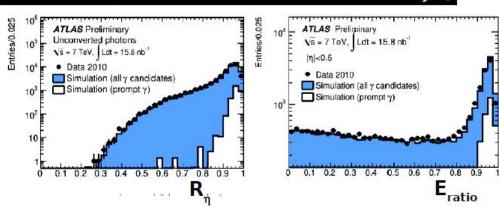
Measuring photons with ATLAS



Photon identification

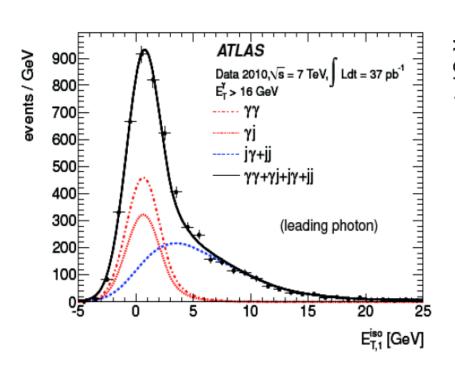


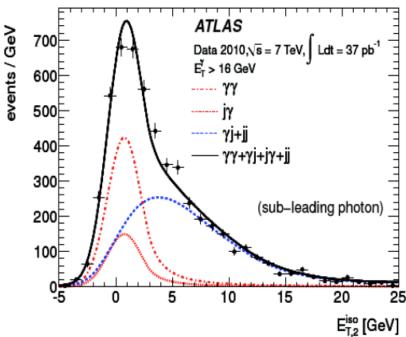
- loose and tight selection
- optimised separately for unconverted and converted photons



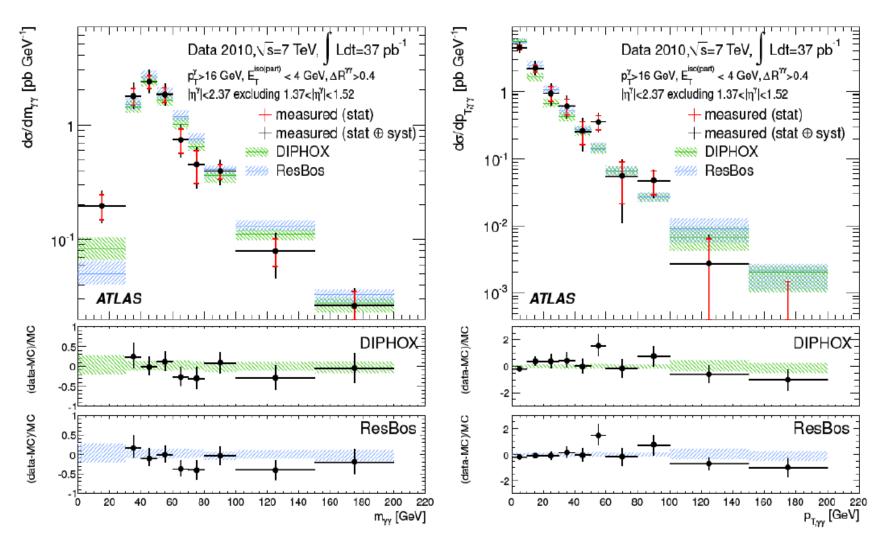
Photon isolation and background estimate

- Background estimated with two methods:
 - ABCD method: extrapolate from the bgd enriched control regions
 - here shown example of 2D template fit





Isolated di-photon cross-section

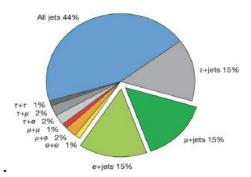


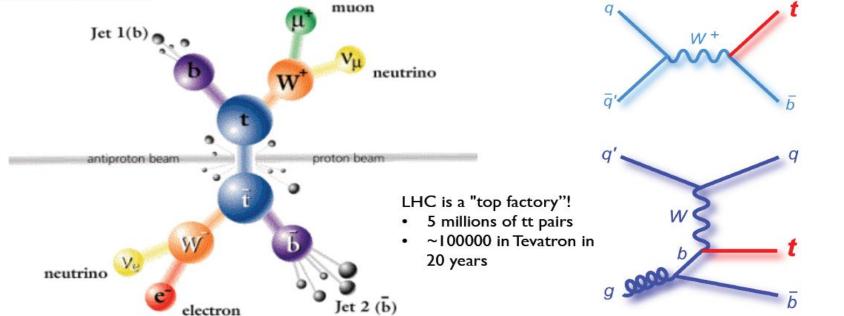
Complicated topologies....

top quark



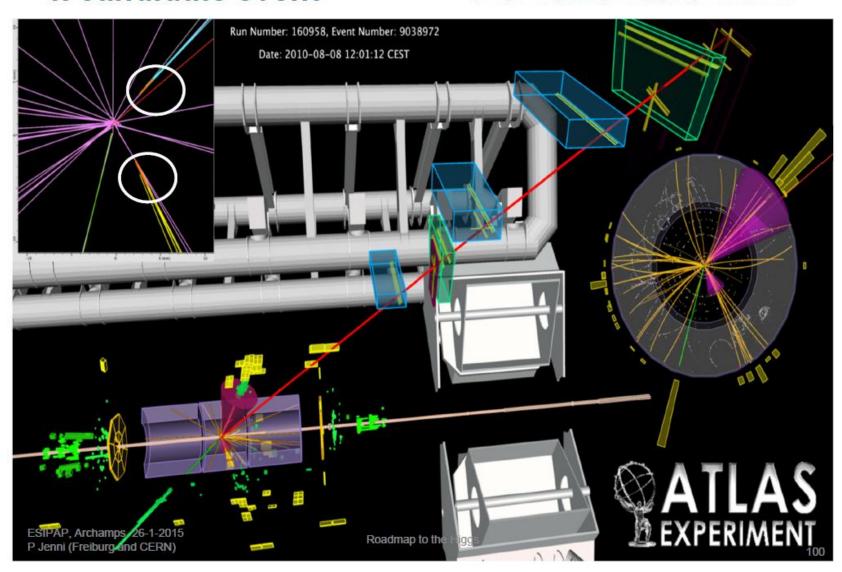
- Top quark has a mean lifetime of 5×10⁻²⁵ s, shorter than time scale at which QCD acts: no time to hadronize!
 - \checkmark It decays as t o Wb
- Events with top quarks are very rich in (b) jets...



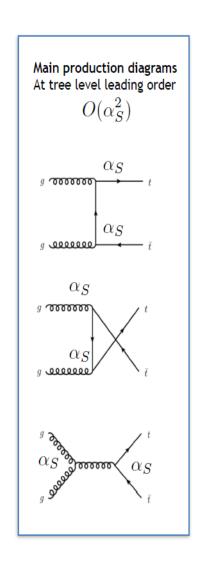


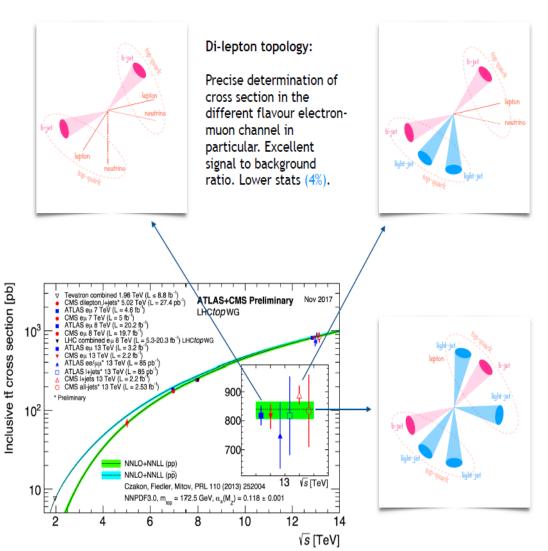
tt candidate event

$e + \mu + 2$ jets (b-tagged) +ETmiss



Top pair production cross-section





Semi-leptonic topology:

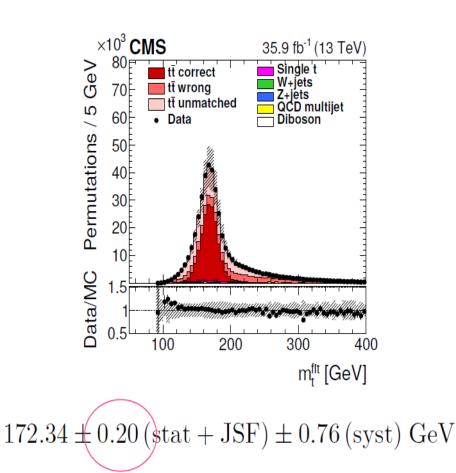
Best compromise between statistics (30%) and signal to background ratio.

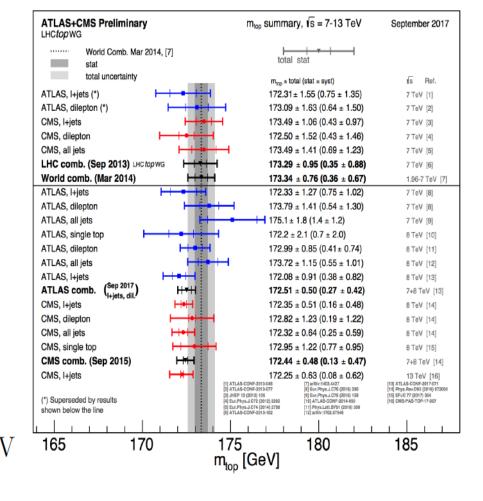
Full hadronic topology:

Largest stats (50%) but larger multi-jet background and large combinatorial.

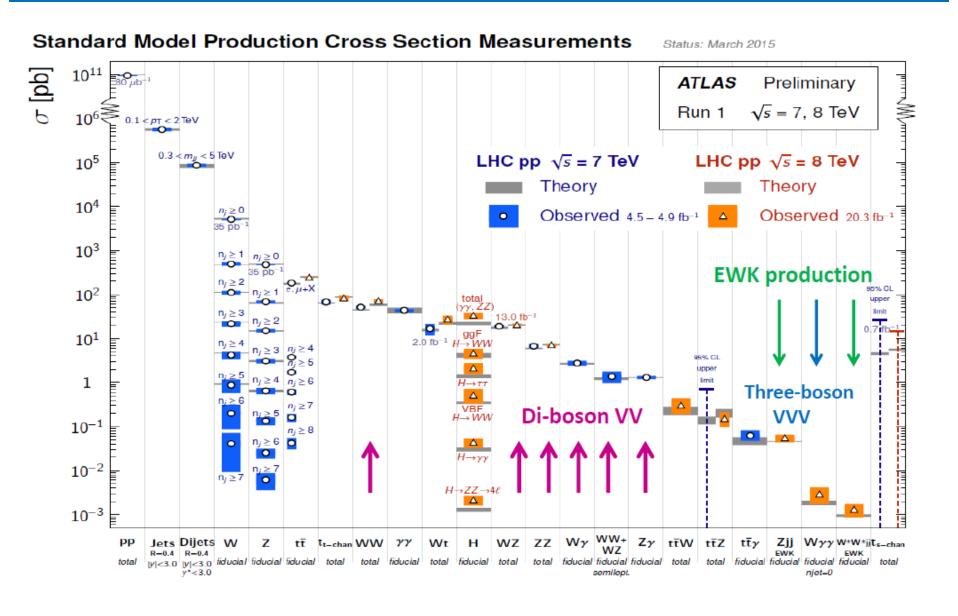
Top quark mass from events kinematics

Direct measurements made using template fit to the reconstructed mass spectrum.





Electroweak measurements (2015)



Electroweak measurements (2021)

