

Experimental Review of Electroweak and Higgs Physics

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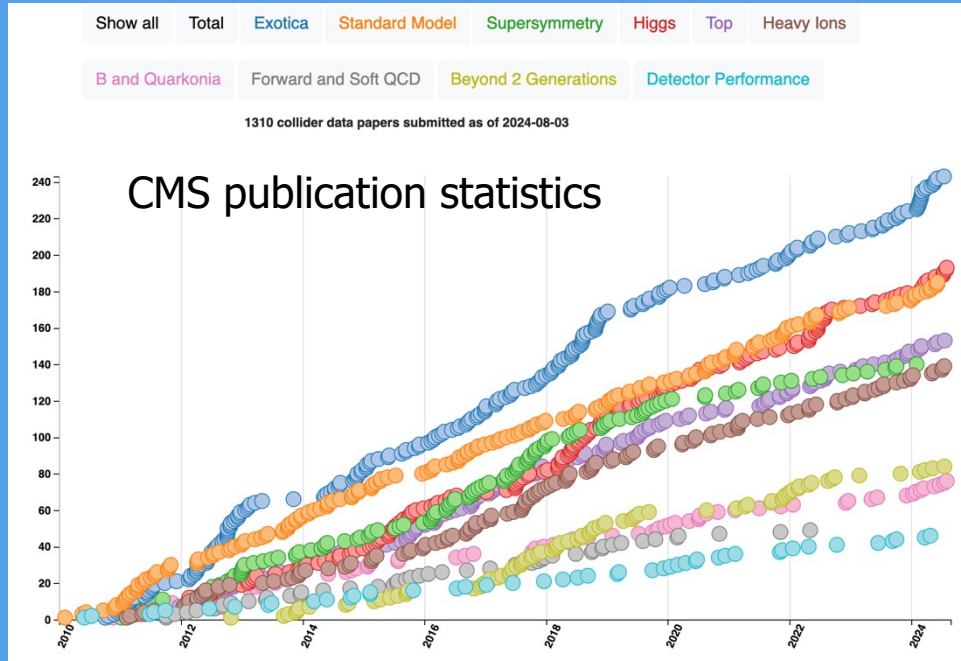
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disclaimer

- we live in a time of enormous progress in Higgs and EW results
- the LHC is like an Eldorado for this field of physics
- a wealth of new results is becoming available



- in 2h we can only talk about a tiny fraction of these results
- results shown reflect a personal selection
 - mixture of historical review with latest results

for all the progress in the theory sector → lecture by D. Zeppenfeld

content of today and tomorrow

Lecture 1: Electroweak physics

- electroweak precision tests:
 - precisions measurement with single Z and W bosons
 - o LEP legacy, new LHC results: $\sin^2\theta_{\text{eff}}^l$, $\Gamma(Z \rightarrow \text{inv})$, M_W , Γ_W , $\mathcal{B}(W \rightarrow \tau\nu_\tau)$
 - global checks of internal consistency, aka 'global EW fits'
- multiboson production at high energies: TGC and QGC
 - diboson production, triboson production
 - o vector-boson scattering (VBS), towards polarized VBS

Lecture 2: Higgs physics

- Higgs boson properties (mass, spin and parity, width)
- Higgs boson couplings
 - signal strength, differential cross sections, Simplified Template Cross Sections (STXS), CP violation in the Higgs sector
- Probing the Higgs potential

The electroweak sector of the SM

- EW sector is based on local gauge symmetry

$$SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y$$

- electroweak gauge bosons:

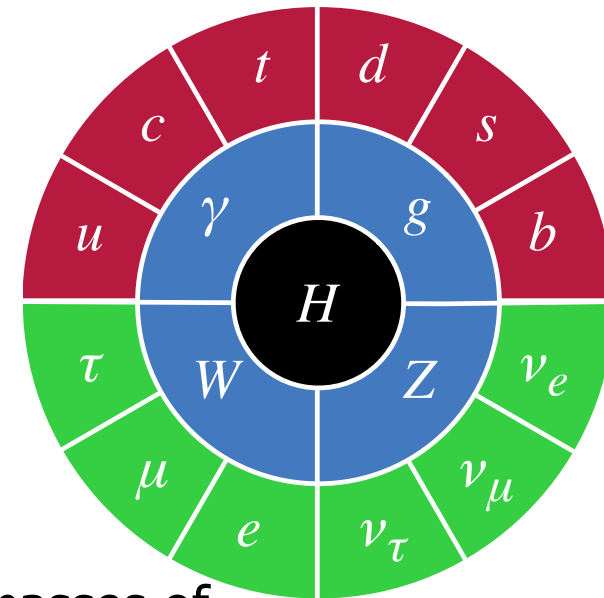
$$W^+, W^-, Z^0, \gamma \quad (+H \text{ via spont. symmetry breaking})$$

- tree level: fully described by 3 parameters:

$$- g, g', v \text{ or } \alpha_{QED}, G_F, M_Z \quad \rho \equiv \frac{m_W^2}{m_Z^2 \cos^2 \theta_W} = 1$$

- with HO: theory provides precise predictions of masses of gauge bosons and their interaction strengths

- allows rigorous tests of the theory



measurements of (pseudo-)observables and cross-sections involving these bosons

comparison

calculations of (pseudo-)observables and cross-sections as accurately as possible

focus of today

(cf. Lecture by D. Zeppenfeld)

Tests of the electroweak theory

current HEP (at the LHC) follows two approaches:

1. precision frontier

measurement of EW precision observables and comparison with precision theory

global consistency checked in 'global fits of the ew sector'

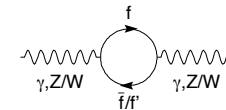
at loop level all fields enter the calculations

e.g. in boson propagators

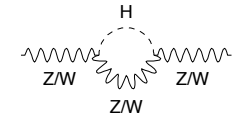
$$m_W^2 = \frac{m_Z^2}{2} \left(1 + \sqrt{1 - 4 \frac{\pi\alpha}{\sqrt{2}G_F m_Z^2} \frac{1}{1 - \Delta r}} \right)$$

or couplings

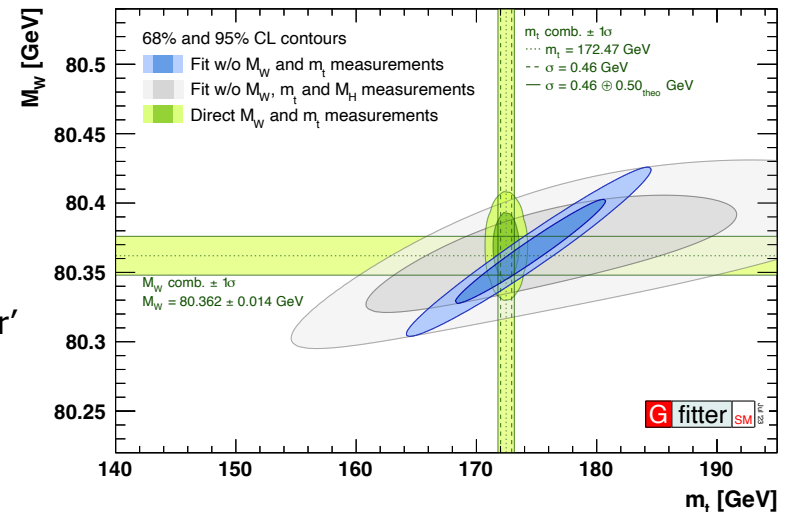
$$\sin^2 \theta_{\text{eff}}^f = \kappa_f \left(1 - \frac{M_W^2}{M_Z^2} \right)$$



$$\propto m_t^2$$



$$\propto \log \frac{M_H}{M_Z}$$



Gfitter group, Y. Fischer, EPS23

detailed tests of non-trivial quantum effects and internal consistency of the electroweak sector

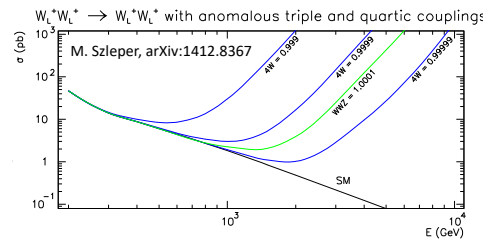
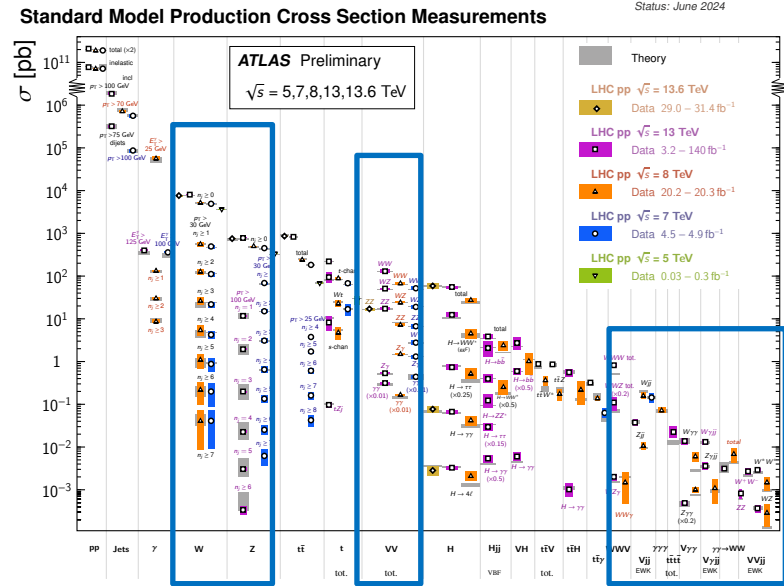
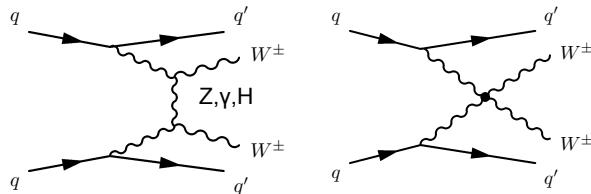
Tests of the electroweak theory

current HEP (at the LHC) follows two approaches:

2. energy frontier

measurement of cross-sections for (multi-) boson production at high E and comparison with theory

note: SM often features exact cancellation of divergencies, e.g. via H-diagrams



slight deviations from SM could lead to large effects

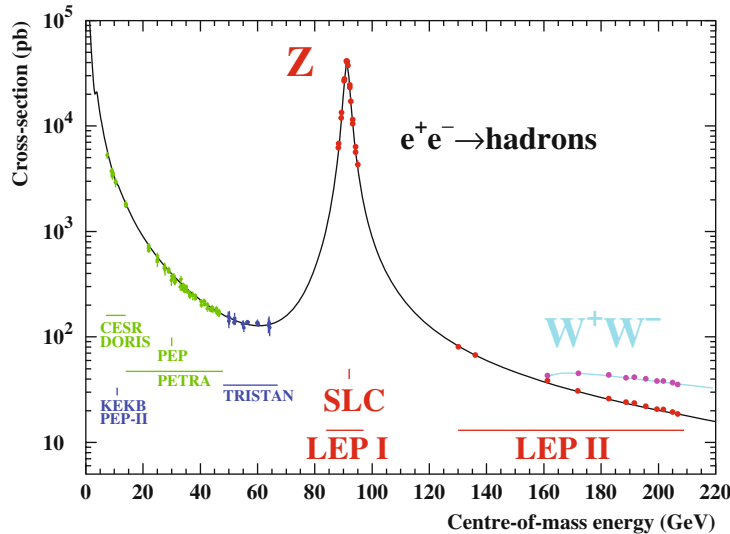
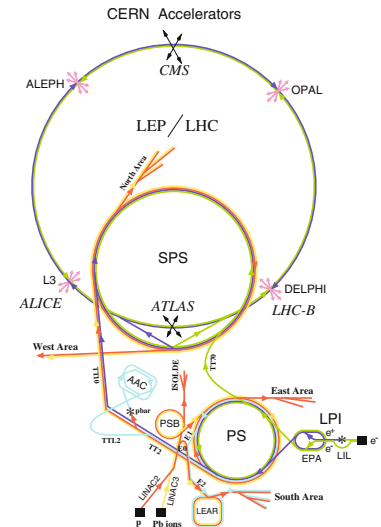
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precision measurements with Z bosons

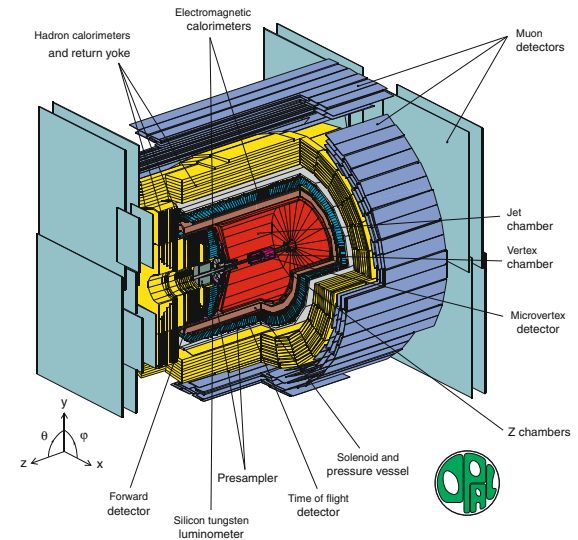
most important EW measurements done at LEP

- e^+e^- collider with four experiments: ADLO
- data taking phases (1989-2000):

- LEP I:
 - high precision study of Z^0 pole
- LEP II:
 - studies above WW threshold
 - search for the Higgs (up to $\sqrt{s} = 209$ GeV)



example detector:
OPAL



fanastic experimental conditions

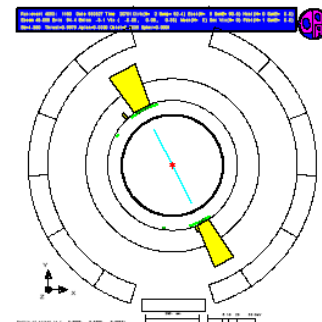
- lepton collider is perfect machine for electroweak precision measurements

- collision of known fundamental particles
- centre-of-mass energy is exactly known in each event
- events are experimentally clean
 - hardly any backgrounds (superb S/B ratio)
 - o no pile-up or underlying event
 - EW processes have small cross-sections
 - basically no trigger preselection

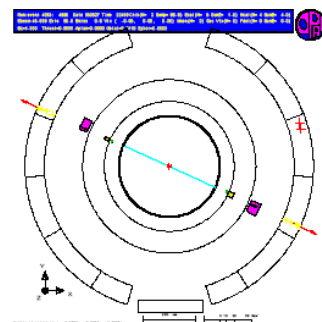
- particles in energy reach can be studied with great precision (e.g. Z, W)
- only with LEP data, the SM entered the precision era

example events recorded by OPAL detector

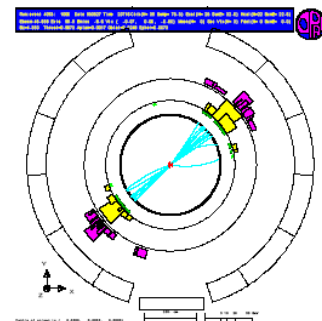
$$e^+e^- \rightarrow e^+e^-$$



$$e^+e^- \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$$



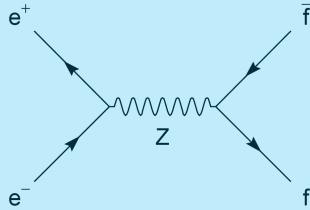
$$e^+e^- \rightarrow q\bar{q}$$



most precise EW measurement: Z^0 lineshape

ADLO, Phys.Rept.427:257-454,2006, hep-ex/0509008

➤ E_{cm} scan → measurement of hadronic cross-section



- corrections of radiative effects, γ -exchange and γZ -interference yield 'pole' quantities

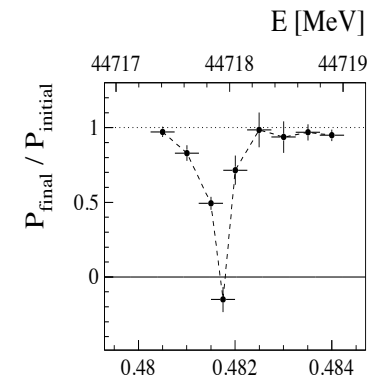
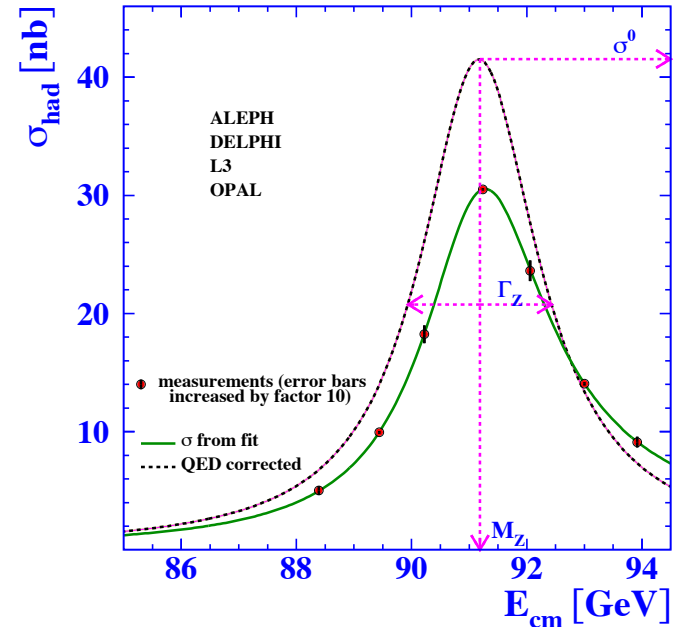
$$M_Z = 91.1875 \pm 0.0021 \text{ GeV}$$

$$\Gamma_Z = 2.4952 \pm 0.0023 \text{ GeV}$$

$$\sigma_{had}^0 = 41.450 \pm 0.037 \text{ nb.}$$

- crucial ingredient: knowledge of beam energy with excellent precision (via 'resonant depolarisation'): $\Delta E_{beam} = \pm 0.2 \text{ MeV}$

➤ impossible to be improve at hadron colliders



note: mass measurements at hadron colliders are conceptually different: measurement of invariant mass of decay products of the resonance → depends on energy/momentum resolution of detectors; best measurement reported by CDF alongside m_W measurement: $91192.0 \pm 6.4(\text{stat}) \pm 4.0(\text{sys}) \text{ MeV}$ (muon channel) and $91194.3 \pm 13.8(\text{stat}) \pm 7.6(\text{sys}) \text{ MeV}$ (electron channel), PDGI average: $91192.3 \pm 7.1 \text{ MeV}$

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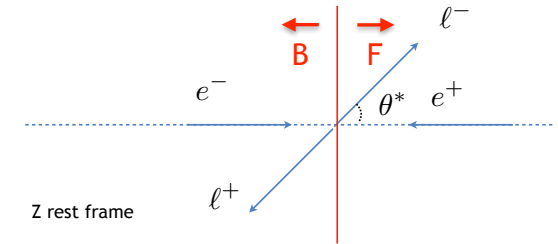
measurements of FB asymmetries at LEP

ADLO, Phys.Rept.427:257-454,2006, hep-ex/0509008

$$A_{FB}^f = \frac{N_F - N_B}{N_F + N_B} \quad \begin{array}{l} N_F: \text{number of events with } \cos\theta_f^* > 0 \\ N_B: \text{number of events with } \cos\theta_f^* < 0 \end{array}$$

➤ measure production polar angle wrt to initial electron and determine fermion (rather than antifermion)

- easy in e^+e^- : Z rest frame = lab frame, electron direction known



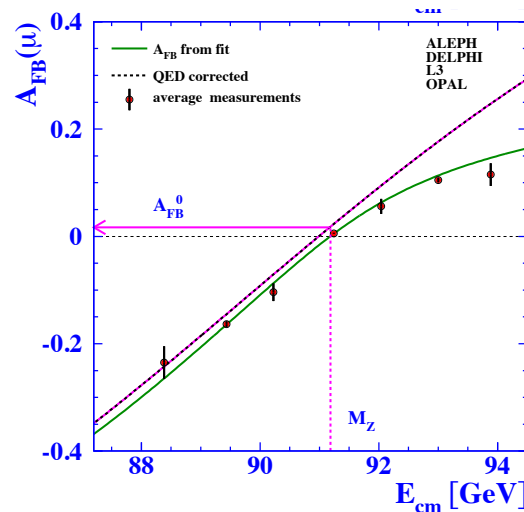
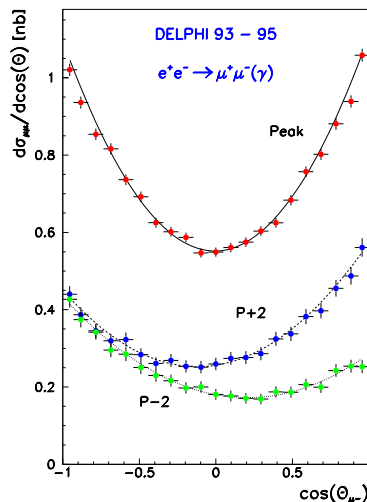
$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\cos\theta^*} = \frac{4\pi\alpha^2}{3\hat{s}} \left[\frac{3}{8}A(1 + \cos^2\theta^*) + B\cos\theta^* \right]$$

γZ interference

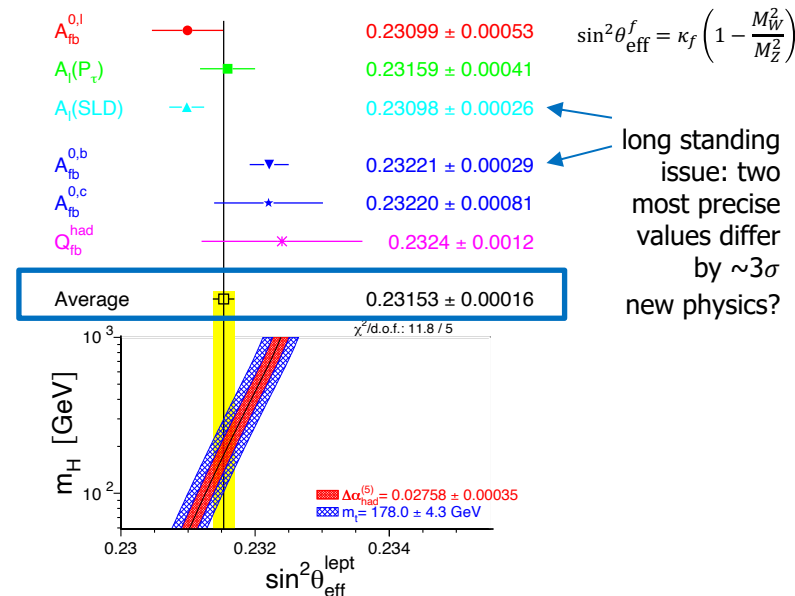
$$B \propto A_{FB} = \frac{\sigma_F - \sigma_B}{\sigma_F + \sigma_B}$$

➤ asymmetry depends on E_{cm}

- stronger effects off-peak



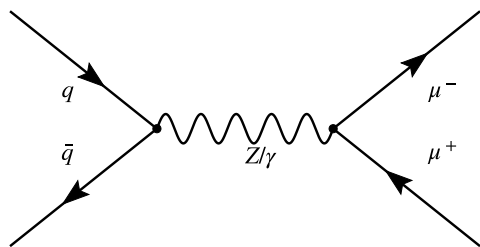
➤ asymmetries depend on $\sin^2\theta_{eff}^{lept}$



physics with Z bosons at hadron colliders

Z bosons are studied at hadron colliders already for 40 years!

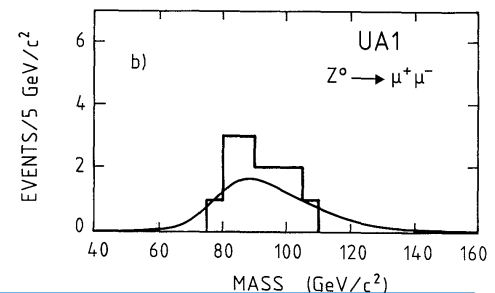
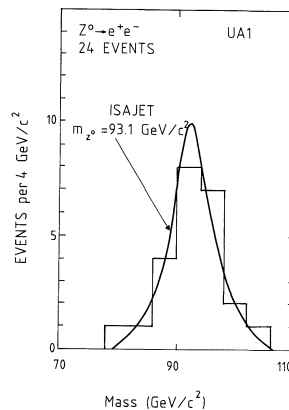
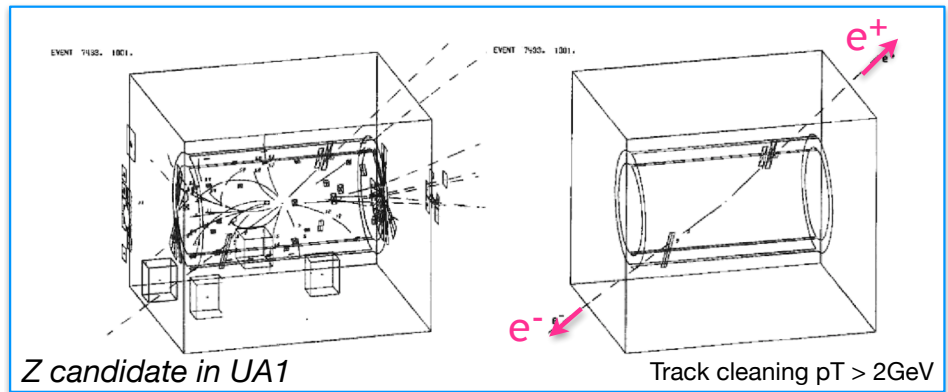
- discovery 1983/4 at UA1, UA2



- very few events : in total O(100)
- measurements with large uncertainties

$$M_{Z \rightarrow \mu\mu} = 90.7^{+5.2}_{-4.8} \pm 3.2 \text{ GeV}/c^2.$$

$$M_{Z \rightarrow e^+e^-} = 93.1 \pm 1.0 \pm 3.1 \text{ GeV}/c^2.$$



from 21 $Z \rightarrow ee$ and 12 $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$ events via A_{FB} :
 $\sin^2\theta_w$ of $0.24^{+0.05}_{-0.04}$

- principle of measurements same as today
- but the picture has completely changed

the datasets collected at the LHC

LHC: fantastic performance of accelerator and detectors

- Run 1: **7-8 TeV**, 2010-2012: $\sim 25 \text{ fb}^{-1}$
- Run 2: **13 TeV**, 2015-2018: $\sim 140 \text{ fb}^{-1}$
- Run 3: **13.6 TeV**, 2022-... $> 150 \text{ fb}^{-1}$

huge, well-calibrated datasets for a vast and diverse physics program

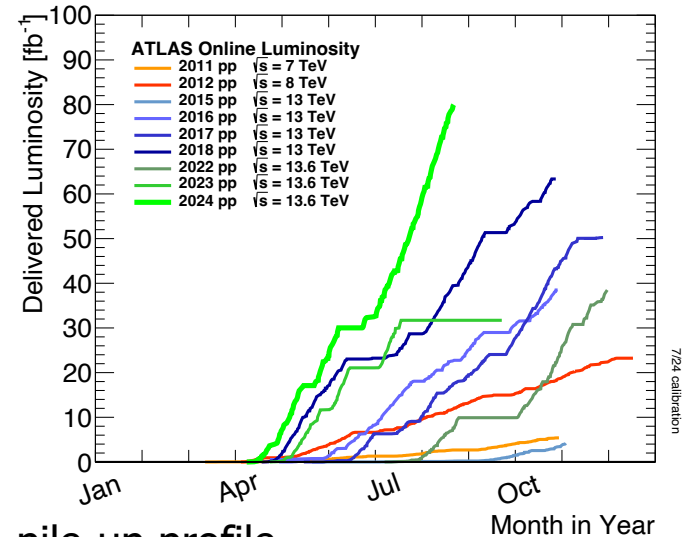
pile-up conditions are challenging for the experiments (reconstruction, calibration, triggering,...)

datasets at different energies: allow to probe energy dependence of SM predictions

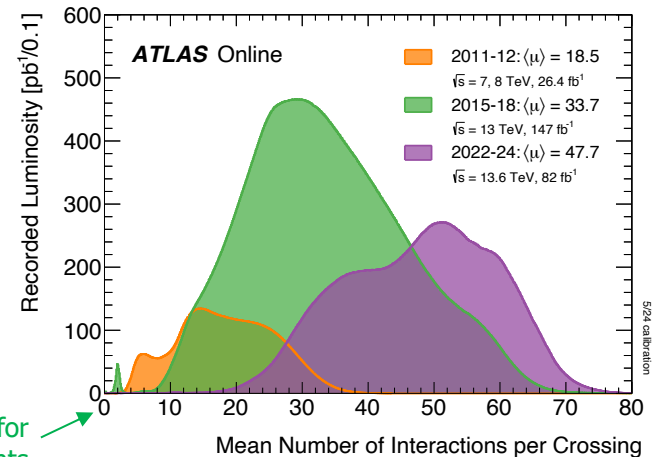
special low PU run in 2017 for EW precision measurements

lower trigger/reco thresholds, better reco of PU-impacted variables, e.g. W recoil, important for m_W

recorded luminosity



pile-up profile

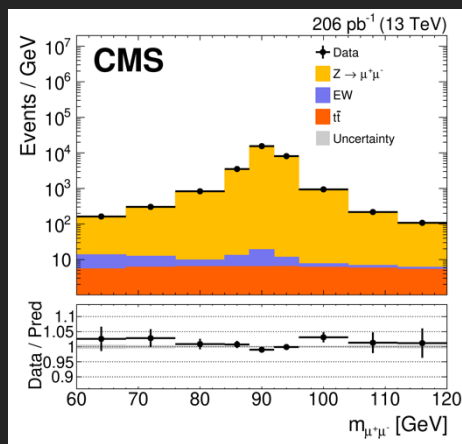
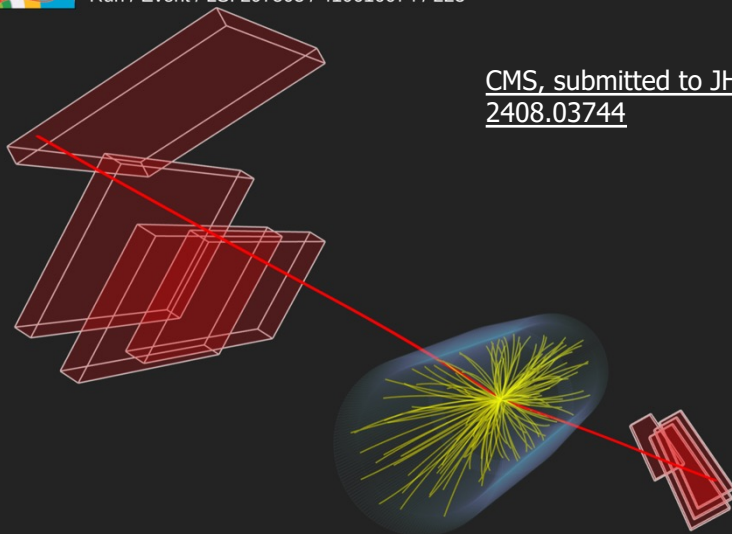


physics with Z bosons at hadron colliders



CMS Experiment at the LHC, CERN
 Data recorded: 2017-Jun-26 03:27:24.199168 GMT
 Run / Event / LS: 297503 / 410616674 / 223

CMS, submitted to JHEP,
 2408.03744



large + pure samples of Z (and W) events available at the LHC

- precise study of detector performance in large datasets possible ('tag & probe')
- already with subset of data: statistical uncertainty often negligible
 - e.g. recent CMS measurement of cross-section of inclusive Z production
 - o low PU run in 2017 \rightarrow better p_T^{miss} resolution and lepton isolation \rightarrow less background

$$\sigma(pp \rightarrow Z + X)\mathcal{B}(Z \rightarrow \ell^+\ell^-) = 1952 \pm 4(\text{stat}) \pm 18(\text{syst}) \pm 45(\text{lumi}) \text{ pb.}$$

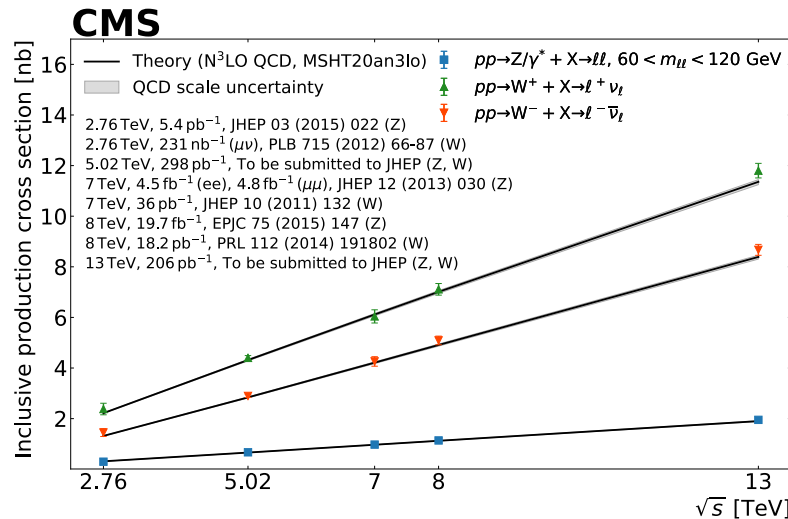
- dominant uncertainty from luminosity determination (2.3%)
- often done: further reduction by building ratios of cross-sections

inclusive W and Z cross-sections at LHC

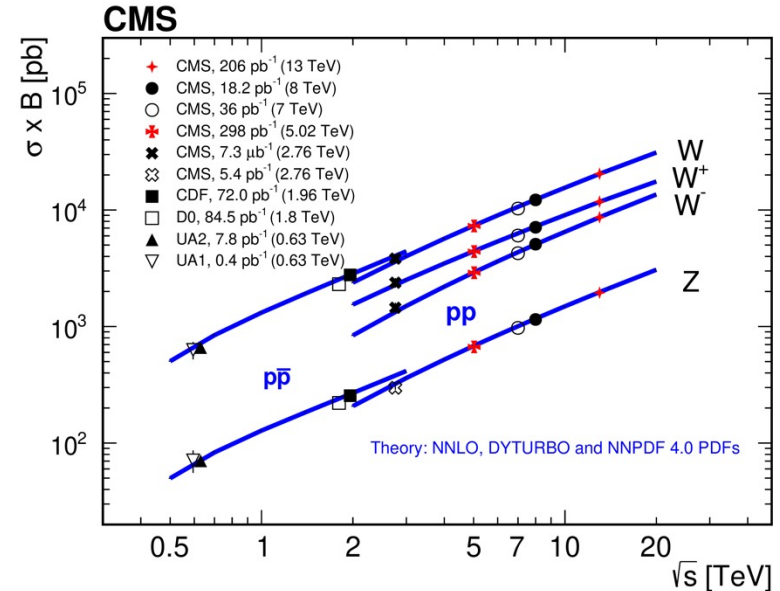
summary of inclusive measurements at different energies

these measurements represent most stringent tests of SM cross-section calculations at hadron colliders

- data consistent with N3LO QCD with approximate N3LO PDFs within uncertainties
(limiting currently in theory: PDF unc., HO QCD and EW)
new 13.6 TeV results also available: [CMS](#), [ATLAS](#)



summary of inclusive measurements at different colliders



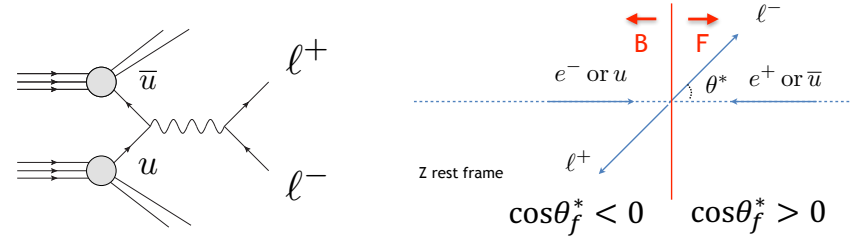
- measurements consistent with theoretical predictions across different energy scales and different collisions (pp vs $p\bar{p}$)
- UA1 dataset collected within minutes at LHC

mainly tests of QCD-sector, but high-precision hadron collider data also enable high precision EW tests !

measurement of weak mixing angle at LHC

➤ principle: measure A_{FB} in

$$q\bar{q} \rightarrow Z/\gamma \rightarrow l^+l^- \quad (\text{ie. similar to } e^+e^-):$$



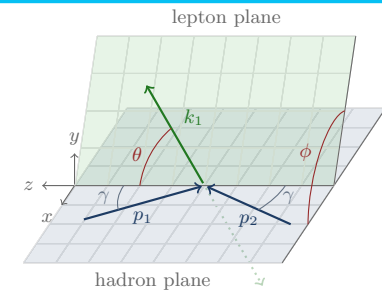
complications at LHC :

1) l^+l^- system can have p_T

→ 4-momentum of initial (anti-)quark not collinear with beam

approach: impact reduced in Collin-Soper frame

θ_{CS}^* : angle of l^- wrt to axis that bisects the angle between initial q and \bar{q}



2) ambiguity due to symmetric initial state pp

→ ambiguity in quark direction ($|\cos\theta_{CS}^*|$)

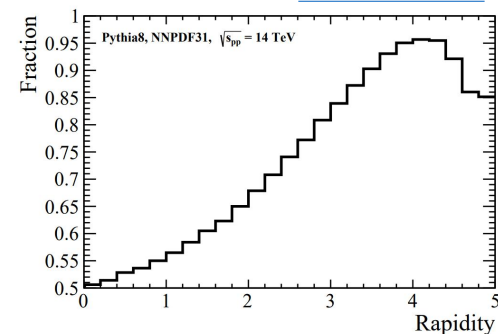
approach: assume: $q_{\text{val}}\bar{q}_{\text{sea}}$ process and $x_{\text{val}} > x_{\text{sea}}$, ie. longitudinal boost of $l^+l^- =$ quark direction

- but: fraction of wrongly assigned quark directions leads to dilution of A_{FB}
- probability of correct assignment increases with boost

→ better sensitivity at high rapidities (advantage LHCb)

fraction of events where the Z boson travels in direction of initial state quark

[LHCb-PUB-2018-013](#)



measurement of weak mixing angle at LHC

value of A_{FB} depends on

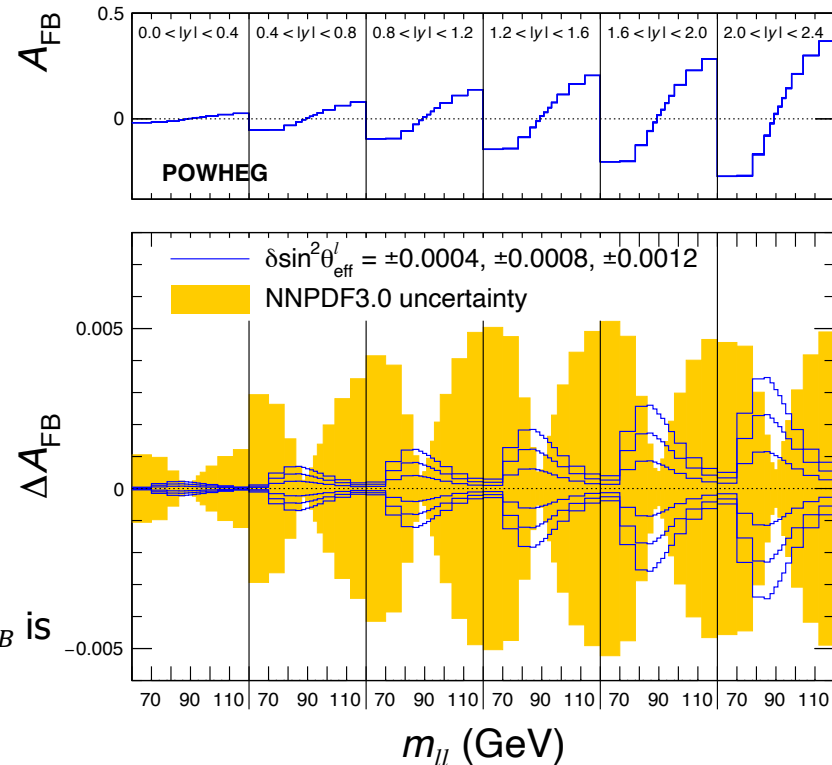
- m_{ll} : electroweak effect
 - like \sqrt{s} dependence in e^+e^-
 - most events in peak region
- $|y_{ll}|$: due to quark assignment
 - less dilution at high boosts
 - uncertainty from PDF increases as well

different effects from PDF (largest when A_{FB} is large) and $\sin^2\theta_{\text{eff}}^l$ (largest close to pole)

- binning in m_{ll} is useful to profile PDFs (done in CMS, see next slide)
- LHCb measures inclusively since very forward sensitivity

high sensitivity on $\sin^2\theta_{\text{eff}}^l$ at high $|y|$

measurements of ATLAS, CMS and LHCb focus on forward region



measurement of weak mixing angle at CMS

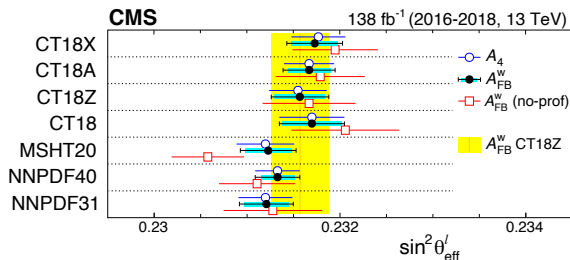
CMS, subm to PLB, 2408.07622

brand new result by CMS

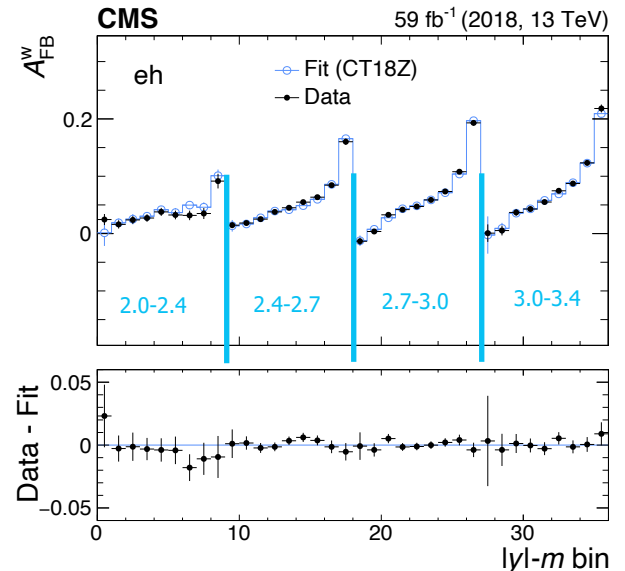
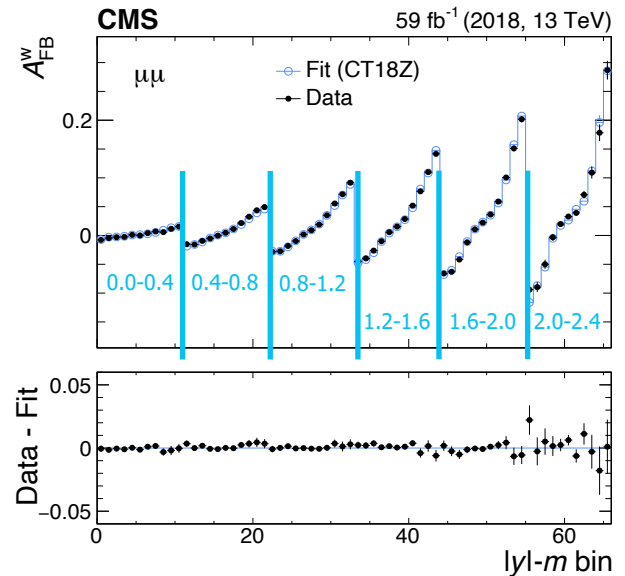
- special effort to cover high $|y|$ up to 3.4:
 - central electrons (e) and muons (μ): $|\eta| < 2.5$
 - electrons in fwd ECAL (g): $2.5 < |\eta| < 2.87$
 - electrons in fwd HCAL (h): $3.14 < |\eta| < 4.36$
- simultaneous fit of all $A_{FB}(|y|, m_{ll})$ values in all channels ($\mu\mu, ee, eg, eh$) with varying $\sin^2\theta_{\text{eff}}^l$ (templates)

$$\sin^2\theta_{\text{eff}}^l = 0.23157 \pm 0.00010 (\text{stat}) \pm 0.00015 (\text{exp}) \pm 0.00009 (\text{theo}) \pm 0.00027 (\text{PDF})$$

$$\sin^2\theta_{\text{eff}}^l = 0.23157 \pm 0.00031$$



- single best measurement from hadron collider
- PDF uncertainties dominant, profiled in central result



measurement of weak mixing angle at LHCb

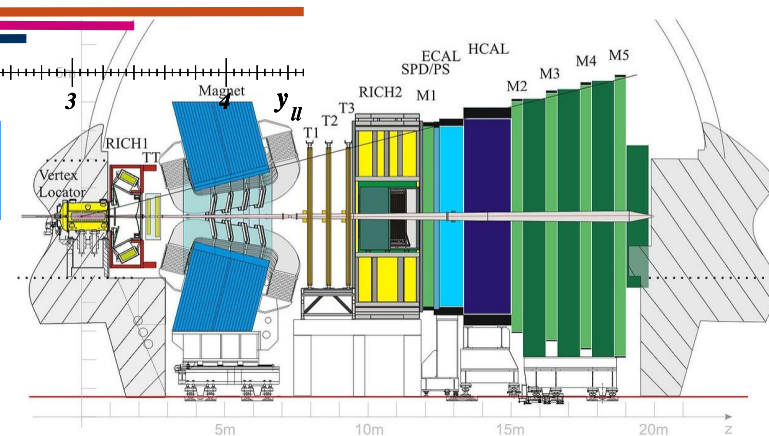
LHCb, presented at ICHEP24

brand new analysis by LHCb

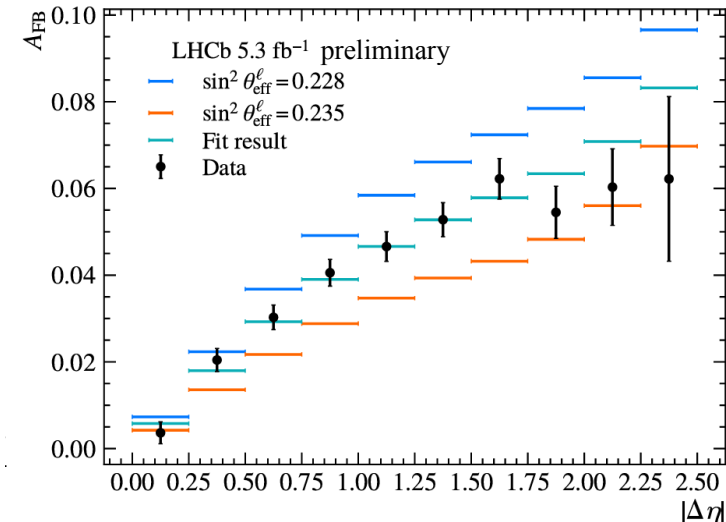
- $Z \rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$ in full Run-2 dataset: 5.3 fb^{-1}
- LHCb: forward spectrometer
 - high quality μ reco: in $2.0 < \eta < 4.5$
- A_{FB} in 10 bins of $|\Delta\eta|$, inclusive in m_{ll}
 - best sensitivity on $\sin^2 \theta_{\text{eff}}^l$ at high $|\Delta\eta|$
- $\sin^2 \theta_{\text{eff}}^l$ extraction
 - comparing with POWHEG-Box templates
 - take average of PDF sets (NNPDF3.1, CT18, MSHT20)

$$\sin^2 \theta_{\text{eff}}^{\text{lept}} = 0.23152 \pm 0.00044(\text{stat.}) \pm 0.00005(\text{exp.}) \pm 0.00022(\text{theory})$$

- result statistically limited, PDF unc. small
→ anticipate sign. improvement for run 3



$$\chi^2/\text{ndof} = 7.6/9$$



paper in preparation: LHCb-paper-2024-028
more details in recent [CERN seminar](#)

summary: weak mixing angle

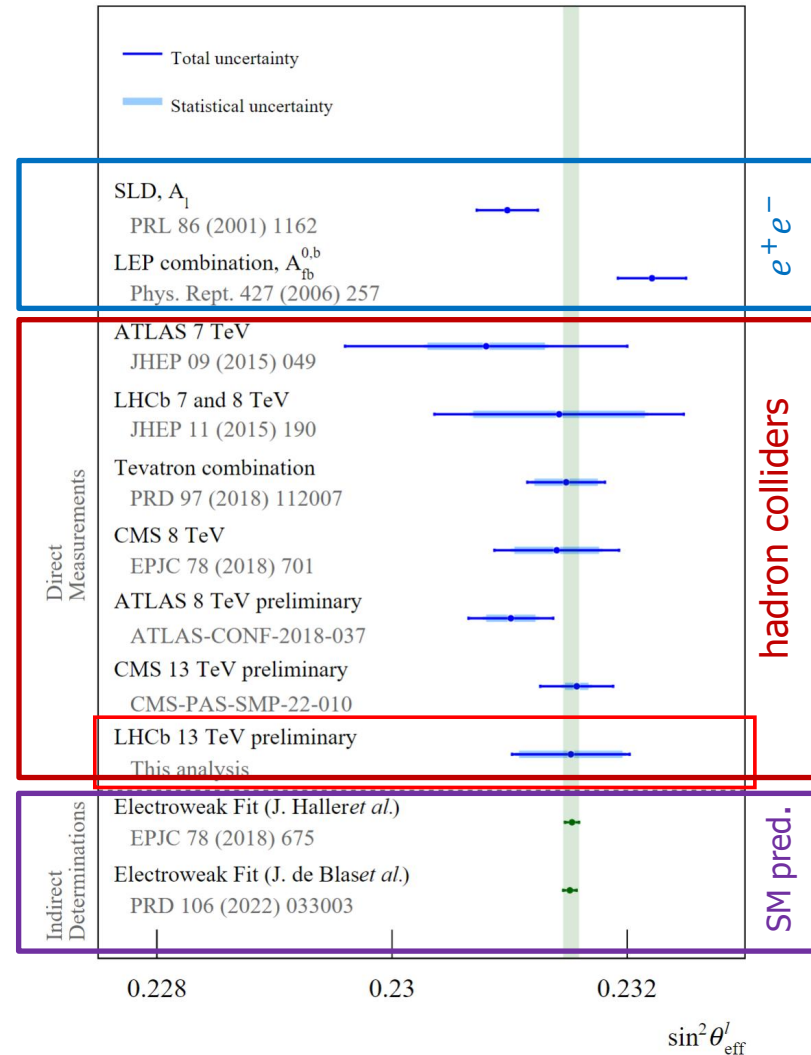
new hadron collider measurements with increasing precision

- nearing precision of LEP and SLD combined results !
- single best measurement from CMS
 - PDF uncertainties dominant
 - relative precision 0.13%

new measurements consistent with SM predictions from global fits

- midway between SLD and LEP

situation as of today



direct measurement of invisible Z width at LHC

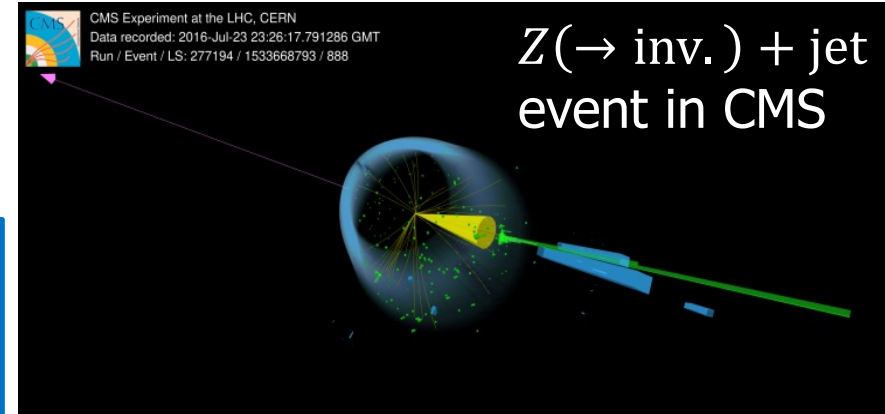
CMS, Phys. Lett. B 842 (2023) 137563, 2206.07110
 ATLAS, Phys. Lett. B 854 (2024) 138705, 2312.02789

fundamental test by measuring $\Gamma(Z \rightarrow \text{inv})$

- SM: $Z \rightarrow \nu_{e,\mu,\tau} \bar{\nu}_{e,\mu,\tau}$
- BSM: additional invisible modes?

results from LEP

- indirect: total width from pole scan, subtract visible
- direct: recoil in $Z(\rightarrow \nu\nu) + \gamma$: O(10) less sensitive



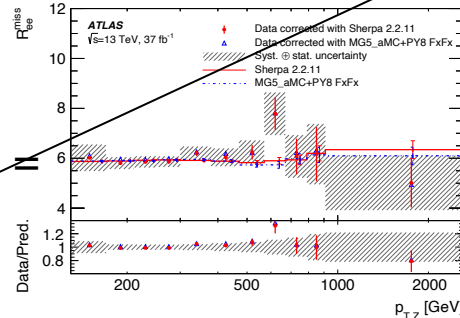
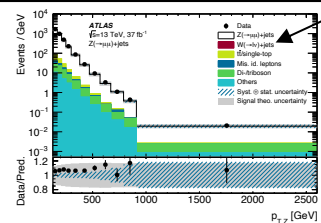
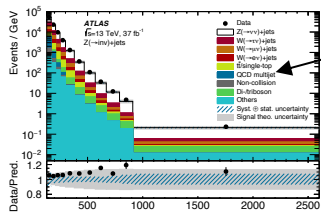
new results from ATLAS + CMS

- use recoil in ' $Z(\rightarrow \text{inv}) + \text{jet}$ ' events $\rightarrow p_T^{\text{miss}} + \text{jet}$
- measure ratio of ' $p_T^{\text{miss}} + \text{jet}$ ' to ' $ll + \text{jets}$ ' in common phase space

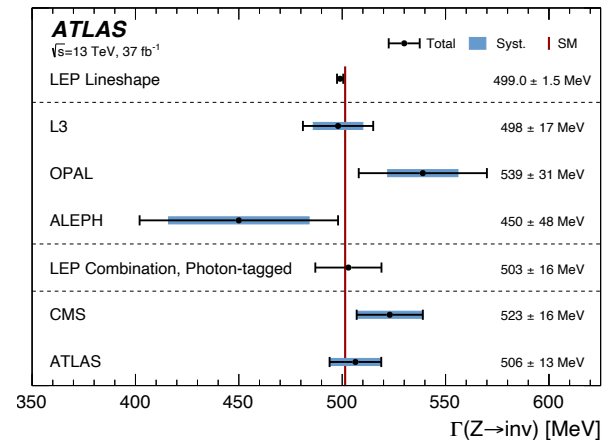
$$\Gamma(Z \rightarrow \text{inv}) = \frac{\sigma(Z + \text{jets})B(Z \rightarrow \text{inv})}{\sigma(Z + \text{jets})B(Z \rightarrow ll)} \Gamma(Z \rightarrow ll)$$

most precise
recoil based
measurements

ratio: jet systematics
greatly reduced



ATLAS: $\Gamma(Z \rightarrow \text{inv}) = 506 \pm 2$ (stat.) ± 12 (syst.)

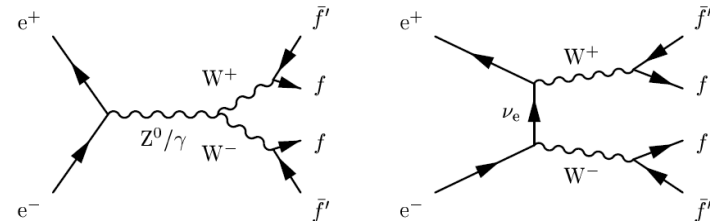


precision measurements with W bosons

measurement of the W mass at LEP II

ADLO, Phys.Rept. 532 (2013) 119-244, hep-ex/1302.3415

➤ with $\sqrt{s} > 2M_W$: $e^+e^- \rightarrow W^+W^-$



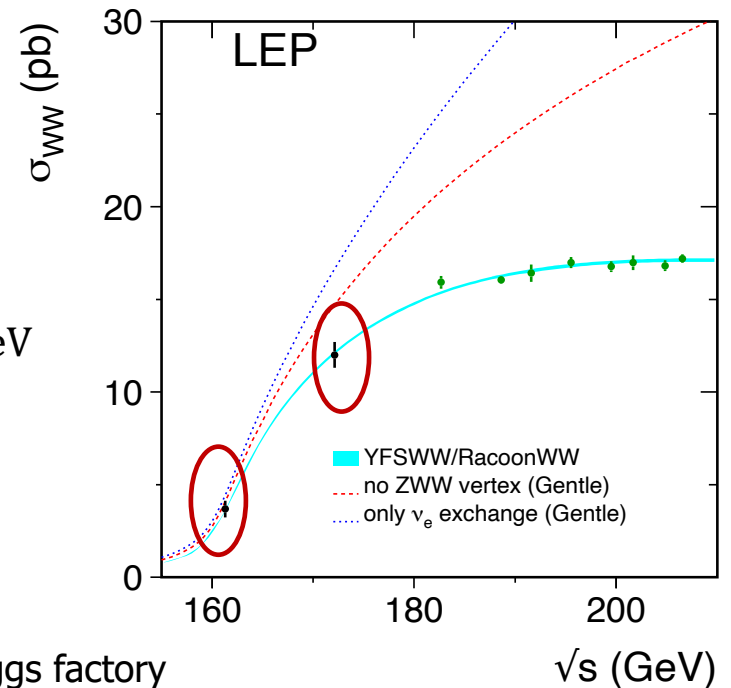
M_W measurement via \sqrt{s} -scan of σ_{WW} threshold

- non-trivial cancellations experimentally confirmed

$$M_W(\text{thresh}) = 80.42 \pm 0.20(\text{stat}) \pm 0.03(E_{\text{LEP}})\text{GeV}$$

- statistical limitation as only very few data have been collected around threshold (3% of LEP II)

→ interesting running option for a future e^+e^- Higgs factory



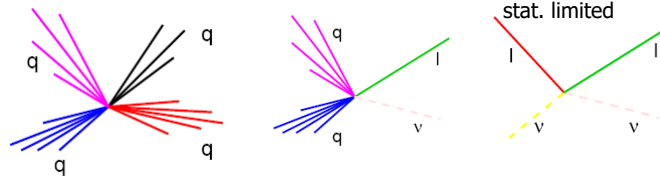
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M_W via direct reco of invariant mass of decay products

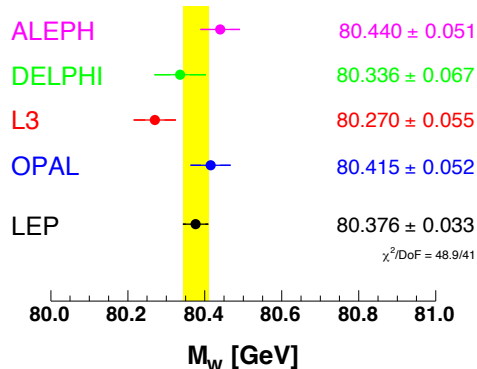
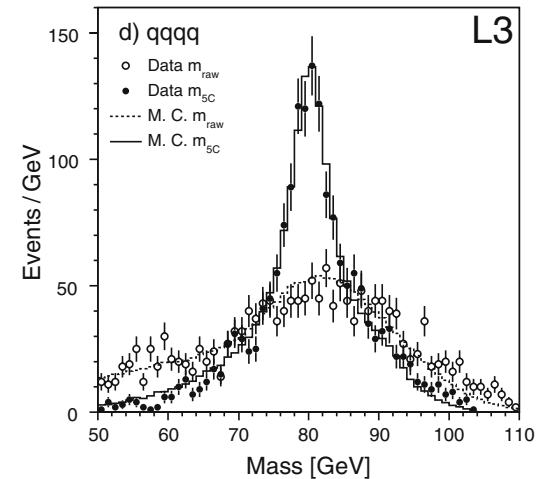
$$W^+W^- \rightarrow q\bar{q}q\bar{q}, \quad q\bar{q}lv_l, \quad (lv_l lv_l)$$

use of all data
with $\sqrt{s} > 2M_W$



- crucial for reco: knowledge of \sqrt{s}
 - neutrino momentum in $q\bar{q}lv_l$
 - 'kinematic fitting' using constraints in $q\bar{q}q\bar{q}$ and $q\bar{q}lv_l$
- mass extraction from comparison of data with MC templates

$$M_W(\text{direct}) = 80.375 \pm 0.025(\text{stat}) \pm 0.022(\text{syst})\text{GeV}$$



final LEP combination (threshold + direct):

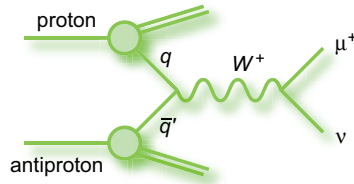
$$M_W(\text{LEP}) = 80.376 \pm 0.025(\text{stat}) \pm 0.022(\text{syst})\text{GeV}$$

L3, Eur.Phys.J.C 45 (2006) 569-587, hep-ex/0511049

physics with W bosons at hadron colliders

UA2 collaboration, Phys.Lett. B276 (1992) 354

it all started 40 years ago
discovery of W bosons (UA1, UA2 1983/4)



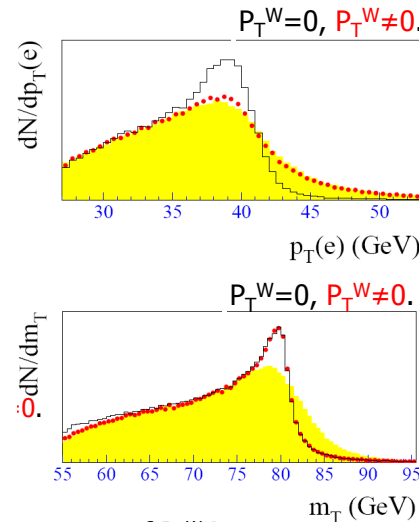
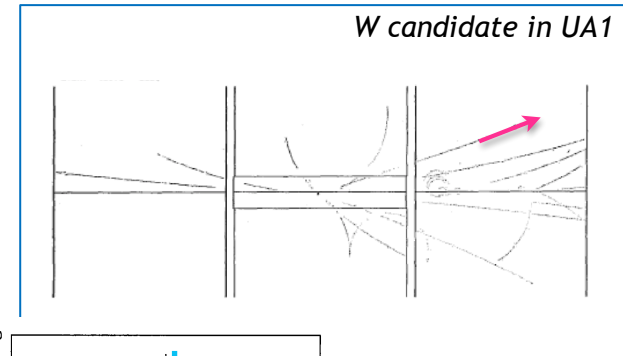
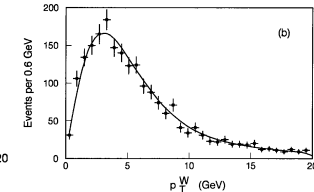
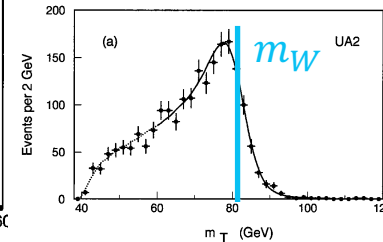
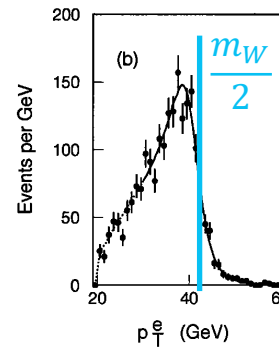
final sample: O(2000) events only

m_W measured from jacobian peak

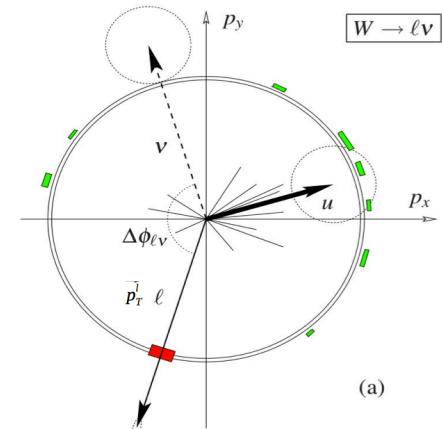
p_T^l clean momentum measurement, but sensitive to modelling of the W transverse momentum

m_T less sensitive to modelling, but more difficult to reconstruct (as based on p_T^{miss})

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



event topology: lepton, p_T^{miss} + hadronic recoil

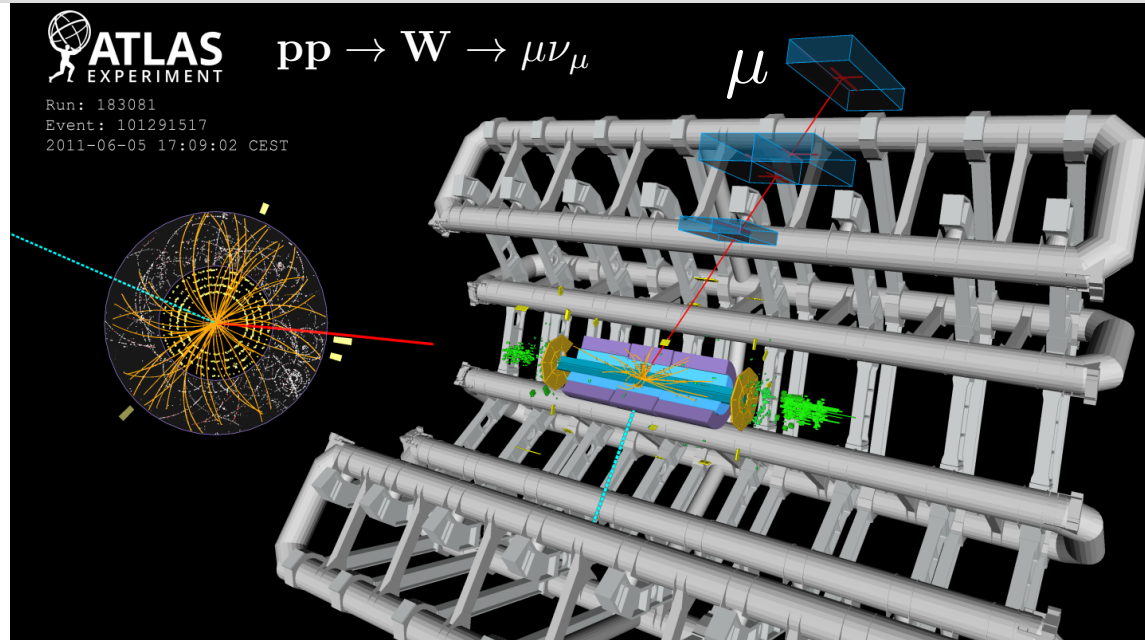
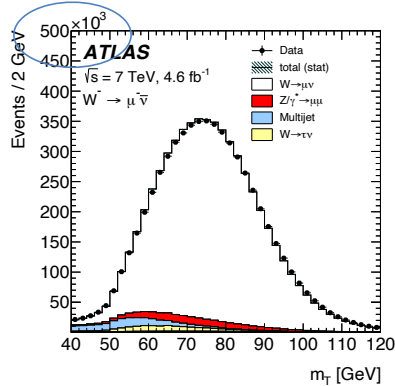


measurement of W mass at ATLAS

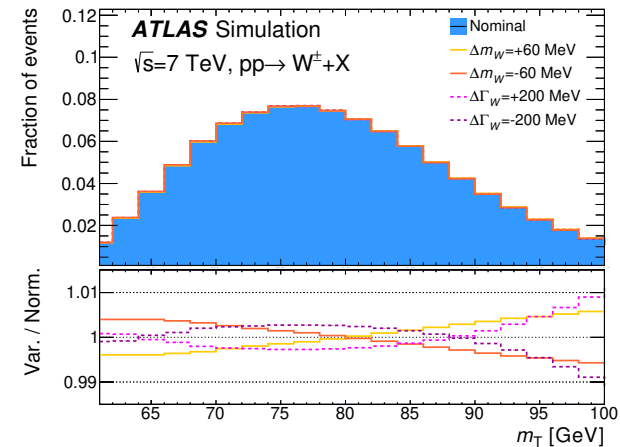
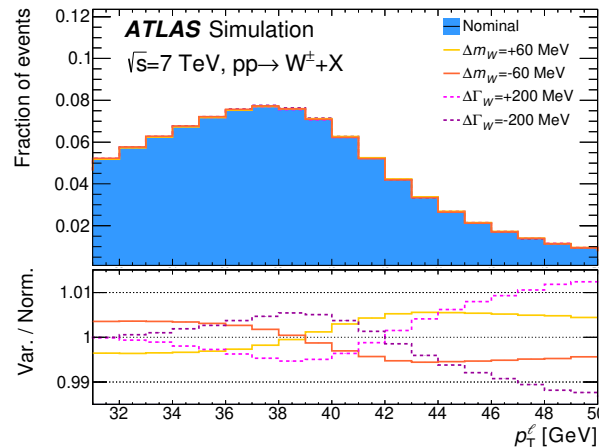
ATLAS, *subm to EPJC*, 2403.15085
 ATLAS, *Eur. Phys. J. C* 78 (2018) 110, 1701.07240

in ATLAS: this technique pushed to extreme precision

- large, pure samples of W available
- dataset at 7 TeV:
 - $\sim 15.5\text{M } W^+$, $\sim 10.4\text{M } W^-$
 - moderate PU



- first m_W analysis published 2018
- recently updated: determination of both m_W and Γ_W (constrained and simultaneously)
 - latest PDFs, better statistical method

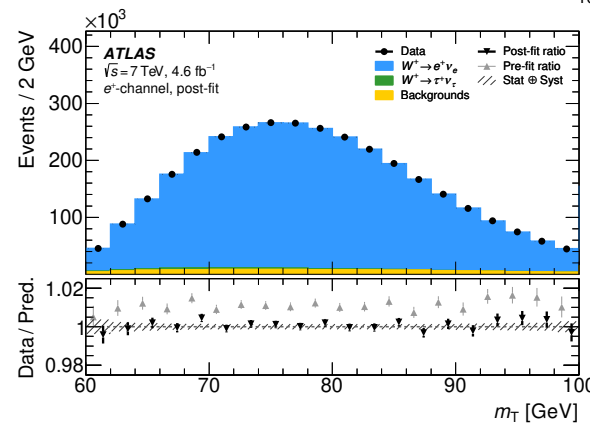
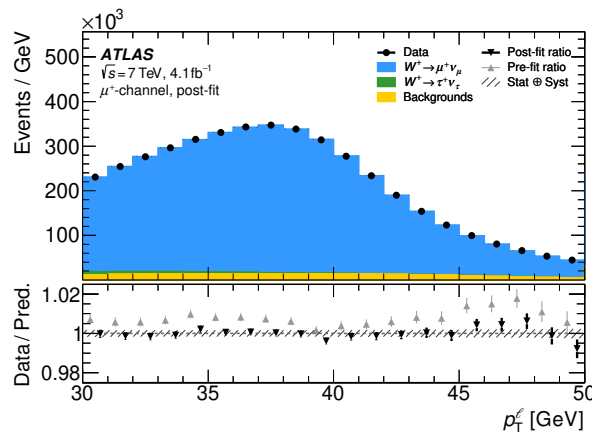
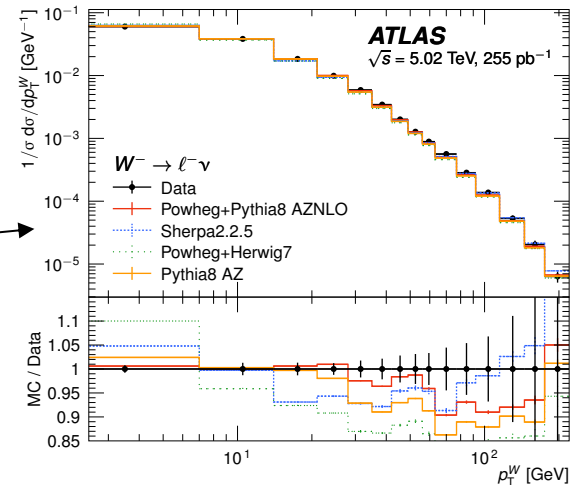


measurement of W mass at ATLAS

critical for m_W extraction: W production kinematics + hardonic recoil

- best modelling used: NLO Powheg reweighted with NNLO calc., NNLO PDFs, Pythia 8 with AZNLO tune based on Z data
- describes p_T^W distribution in low PU runs at 5.02 and 13 TeV

profile likelihood fits of p_T^l and m_T distributions
28 categories (e^+, e^-, μ^+, μ^- , various $|\eta|$ bins): consistent results



impressive precision!

Unc. [MeV]	Total	Stat.	Syst.	PDF	A_i	Backg.	EW	e	μ	u_T	Lumi	Γ_W	PS
p_T^l	16.2	11.1	11.8	4.9	3.5	1.7	5.6	5.9	5.4	0.9	1.1	0.1	1.5
m_T	24.4	11.4	21.6	11.7	4.7	4.1	4.9	6.7	6.0	11.4	2.5	0.2	7.0
Combined	15.9	9.8	12.5	5.7	3.7	2.0	5.4	6.0	5.4	2.3	1.3	0.1	2.3

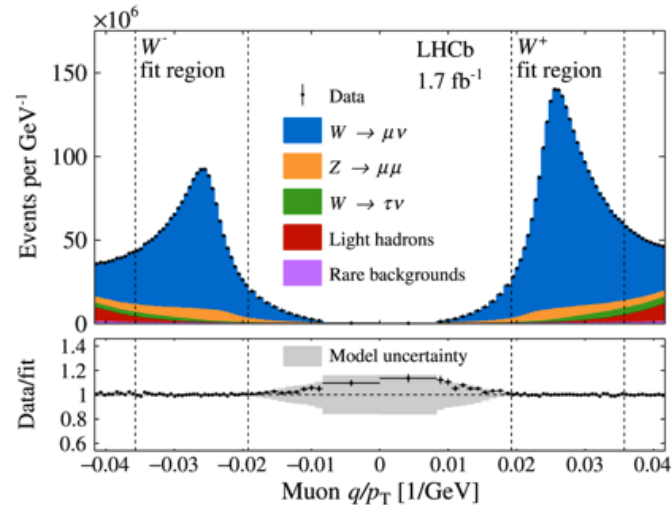
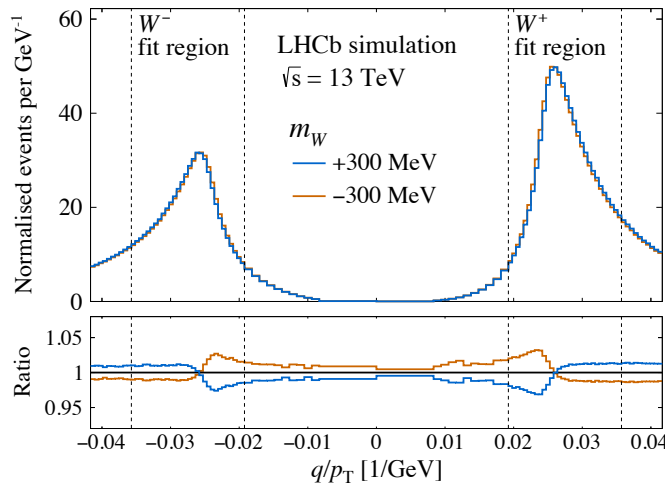
$m_W = 80366.5 \pm 9.8$ (stat.) ± 12.5 (syst.) MeV = 80366.5 ± 15.9 MeV,
 $\Gamma_W = 2202 \pm 32$ (stat.) ± 34 (syst.) MeV = 2202 ± 47 MeV.

p_T^l measurement dominates, statistical uncertainty non-negligible, systematics distributed

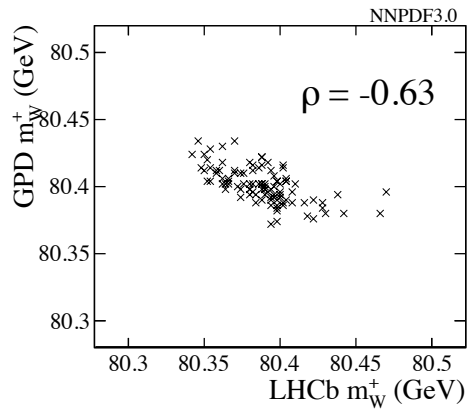
measurement of the W mass at LHCb

similar measurement principle also used at LHCb

(simultaneous fit of q/p_T in W events and Collin-Soper ϕ^* (proxy for p_T^Z) in Z events)



$m_W = 80354 \pm 32 \text{ MeV}$
 $m_W = 80354 \pm 23_{\text{stat}} \pm 10_{\text{exp}} \pm 17_{\text{theory}} \pm 9_{\text{PDF}} \text{ MeV}$



- significant improvements expected:

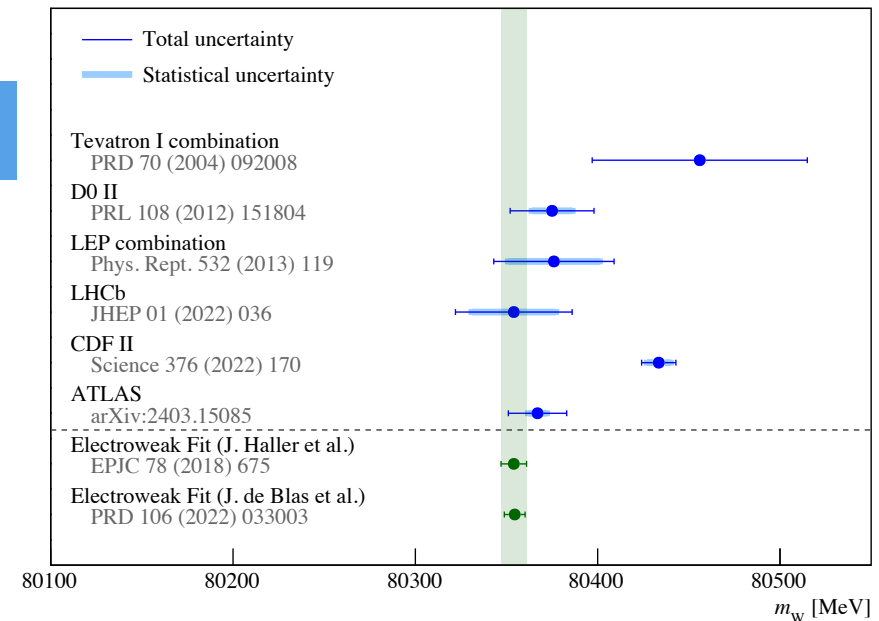
 - analysis uses only 1/3 of Run-2 data set
 - effort on improving modelling and experimental systematics
 - PDF uncertainties are anticorrelated with ATLAS due to forward configuration of LHCb → cancellation in combination

summary of W mass measurements

hadron collider surpass LEP in precision

measurements largely compatible with each other and with SM prediction

- exception CDF II: 7σ tension with SM prediction and 3-4 σ inconsistency with other data



recent m_W combination paper (2308.09417):

- all results: $\text{Prob}(\chi^2) = 0.02 - 0.5 \%$ (depending on PDF set)
- all, excluding CDF II: $\text{Prob}(\chi^2) = 91\%$

$$\text{WA: } m_W = 80369.2 \pm 13.3 \text{ MeV}$$

precision: 0.016%

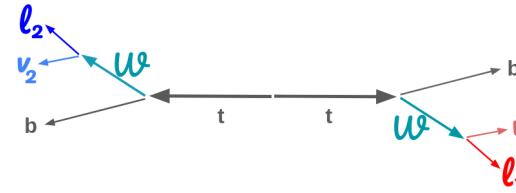
CMS measurement urgently awaited to resolve this puzzle

branching ratios of the W boson

leptonic decay widths of W from LEP II

$\mathcal{B}(W \rightarrow e\bar{\nu}_e)$	$\mathcal{B}(W \rightarrow \mu\bar{\nu}_\mu)$	$\mathcal{B}(W \rightarrow \tau\bar{\nu}_\tau)$
[%]	[%]	[%]
10.71 ± 0.16	10.63 ± 0.15	11.38 ± 0.21

- long standing $> 2\sigma$ excess of $\mathcal{B}(W \rightarrow \tau\bar{\nu}_\tau)$
- lepton flavour universality violation?
- related to B anomalies?



results also available for the other ratios using different methods in tt events

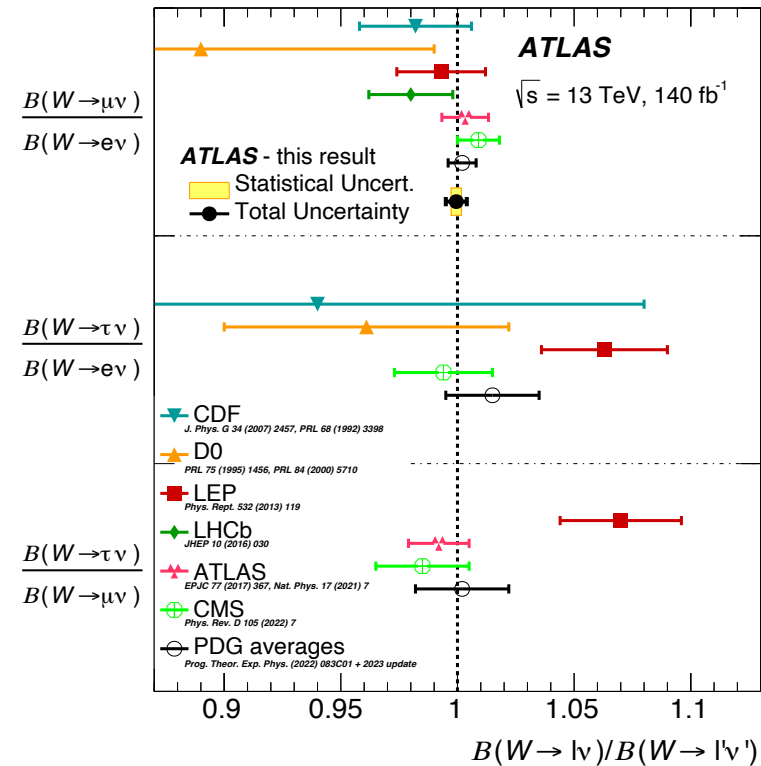
LHC: new measurements of ratios, e.g. $R(\tau/\mu)$

$$\frac{B(W \rightarrow \tau\nu)}{B(W \rightarrow \mu\nu)}$$

sys. unc. cancel in ratio

- selection of pure and unbiased W sample via dileptonic $t\bar{t}$ events
- tag (e or μ !) & probe (τ or μ ?)
 - e.g. $R(\tau/\mu)$ discriminate prompt μ 's ($W \rightarrow \mu\nu_\mu$) from μ 's from τ decays ($W \rightarrow \tau\nu_\tau \rightarrow \mu\nu_\mu\nu_\tau\nu_\tau$)

ATLAS: $R(\tau/\mu) = 0.992 \pm 0.013$ [± 0.007 (stat) ± 0.011 (syst)],
most precise single measurement



high precision LHC data agree with SM prediction of universal lepton couplings of W

global consistency of electroweak sector

crucial ingredient: mass of the top quark

all details: R. Schöfbeck

mass of the top quark has measured at LHC using different methods

- most precise experimentally: direct kinematic reconstruction in $t\bar{t}$ events

legacy combination of ATLAS+CMS Run 1 measurements published recently

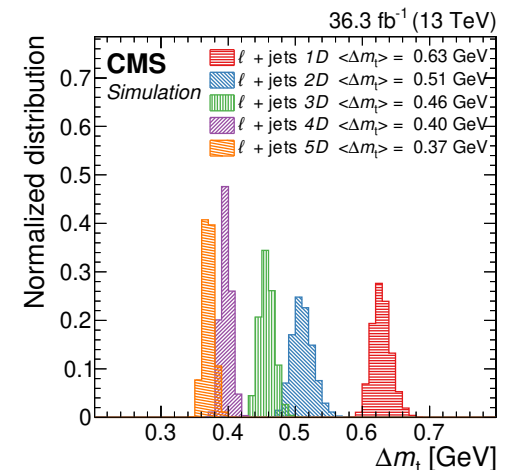
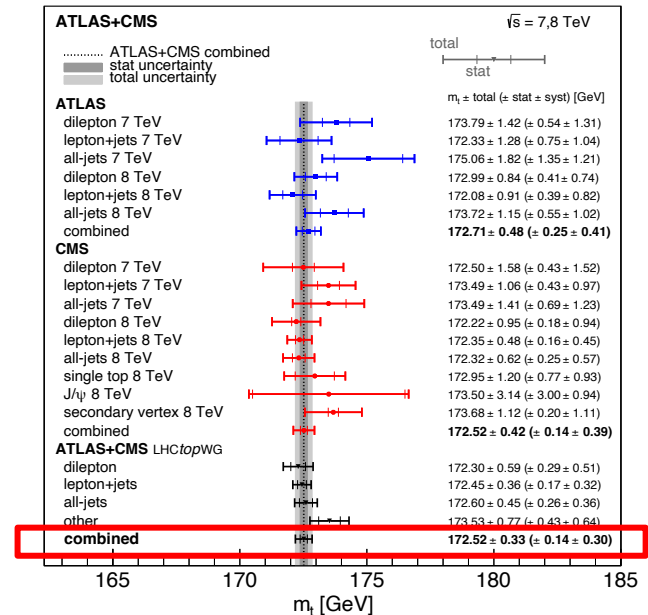
- experimental systematics dominates

further improvement from 13 TeV data

- e.g. most precise single measurement ($l + \text{jets}$, CMS) $171.77 \pm 0.37 \text{ GeV}$
 - sophisticated statistical methods to get most out of data

PDG average: $m_t = 172.57 \pm 0.29 \text{ GeV}$

rel precision: 0.17%

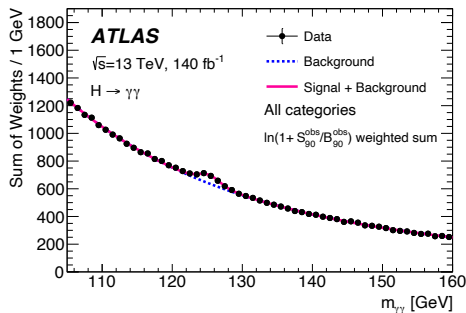
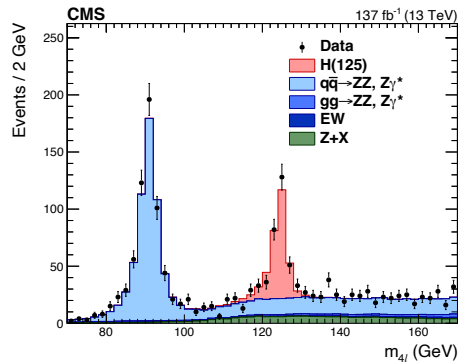


crucial ingredient: mass of the Higgs boson

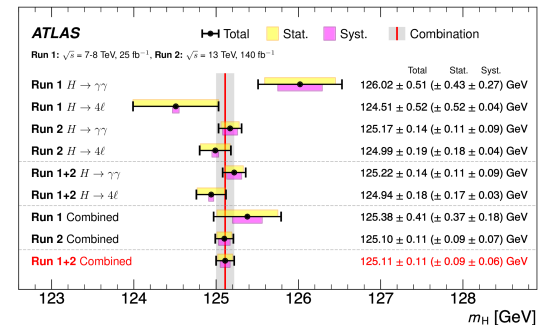
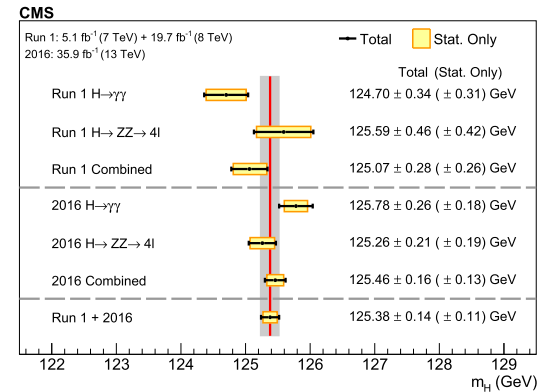
all details: tomorrow

mass of the H boson measured by ATLAS and CMS with great precision

- using high-resolution channels $H \rightarrow 4l$ and $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$



and combinations



PDG average: $m_H = 125.20 \pm 0.11$ GeV

ie. 0.08 % relative precision

- statistical uncertainty still substantial
- exact value not crucial for EW test (due to $\ln m_H$ dependence of HO corrections)

global tests of the internal consistency

precision tests done for a long time

- huge effort of theo and exp community
 - definition of (pseudo-)observables
 - measurements
 - HO calculations

ever increasing precision (both exp. and theo.)

system is overconstrained

- all free parameters measured meanwhile
- most important inputs from e^+e^- colliders
 - mainly LEP: partly extreme precision
 - o e.g M_Z : 0.002 %
- crucial inputs from hadron colliders (LHC):
 - M_W , $\sin^2\theta_{\text{eff}}^l$, m_t , M_H

m_W from CDF not used in the following
experimental input

Parameter	Input value	Source
M_H [GeV]	125.1 ± 0.2	LHC
M_W [GeV]	80.362 ± 0.014	(Tev.)
Γ_W [GeV]	2.085 ± 0.042	(Tev.)
M_Z [GeV]	91.1875 ± 0.0021	LEP
Γ_Z [GeV]	2.4955 ± 0.0023	LEP
σ_{had}^0 [nb]	41.500 ± 0.037	LEP
R_l^0	20.767 ± 0.025	LEP
$A_{\text{FB}}^{0,l}$	0.0171 ± 0.0010	LEP
$A_\ell^{(*)}$	0.1499 ± 0.0018	SLD
$\sin^2\theta_{\text{eff}}^l(Q_{\text{FB}})$	0.2324 ± 0.0012	SLD
$\sin^2\theta_{\text{eff}}^l(\text{Tev} + \text{LHC})$	0.23141 ± 0.00026	Tev. LHC
A_c	0.670 ± 0.027	Tev. LHC
A_b	0.923 ± 0.020	Tev. LHC
$A_{\text{FB}}^{0,c}$	0.0707 ± 0.0035	LEP
$A_{\text{FB}}^{0,b}$	0.0992 ± 0.0016	LEP
R_c^0	0.1721 ± 0.0030	SLD
R_b^0	0.21629 ± 0.00066	SLD
\bar{m}_c [GeV]	$1.27^{+0.07}_{-0.11}$	low E
\bar{m}_b [GeV]	$4.20^{+0.17}_{-0.07}$	low E
m_t [GeV] ^(∇)	172.47 ± 0.68	(Tev.) LHC
$\Delta\alpha_{\text{had}}^{(5)}(M_Z^2)$ ($\dagger\Delta$)	2761 ± 9	low E

α_S unconstrained, G_F fixed

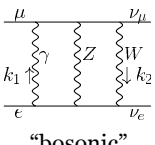
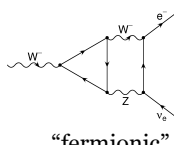
global tests of the internal consistency

- enormous effort by theory community to calculate the respective observables

Calculations

All observables calculated at 2-loop level

- ▶ M_W : full EW one- and two-loop calculation of fermionic and bosonic contributions
[M Awramik et al., PRD 69, 053006 (2004), PRL 89, 241801 (2002)]
+ 4-loop QCD correction [Chetyrkin et al., PRL 97, 102003 (2006)]
- ▶ $\sin^2\theta_{\text{eff}}^l$: same order as M_W , calculations for leptons and all quark flavours
[M Awramik et al., PRL 93, 201805 (2004), JHEP 11, 048 (2006), Nucl. Phys. B813, 174 (2009)]
- ▶ **partial widths Γ_f** : fermionic corrections in two-loop for all flavours (includes predictions for σ_{had}^0) [A. Freitas, JHEP04, 070 (2014)]
- ▶ **Radiator functions**: QCD corrections at N³LO [Baikov et al., PRL 108, 222003 (2012)]
- ▶ Γ_W : only one-loop EW corrections available, negligible impact on fit [Cho et al., JHEP 1111, 068 (2011)]
- ▶ **all calculations**: one- and two-loop QCD corrections and leading terms of higher order corrections



“fermionic” “bosonic”

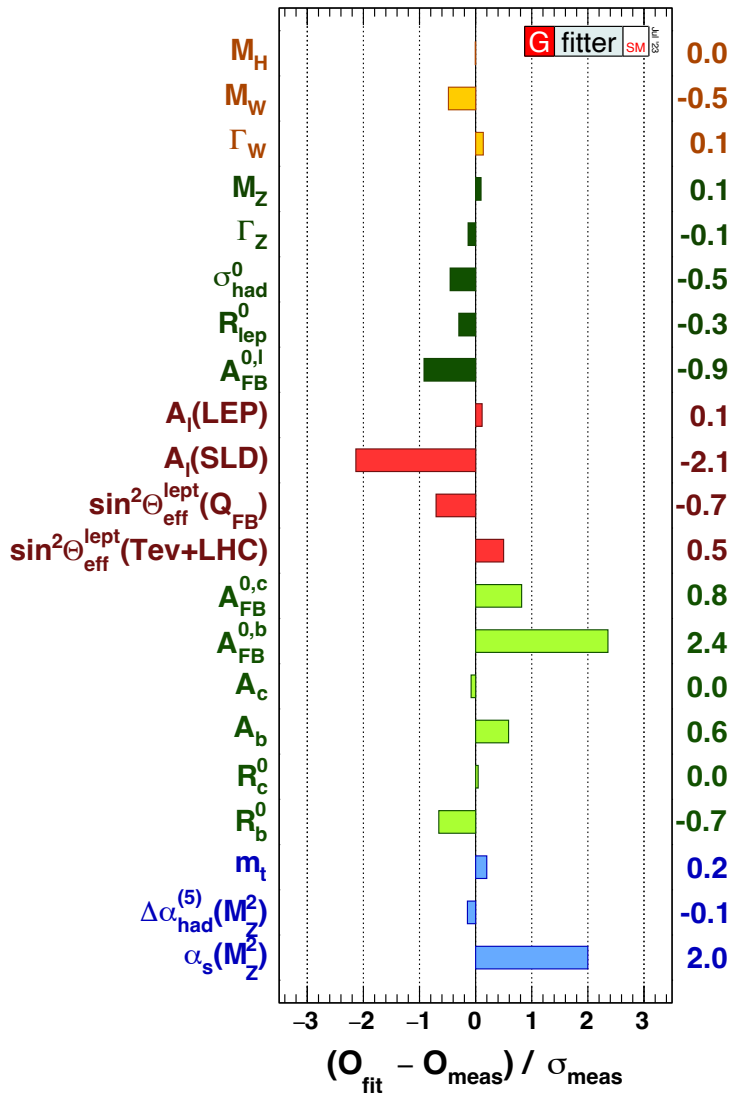
Gfitter, R. Kogler, ICHEP22

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- New corrections for Γ_Z und σ_{had}^0 by [Voutsinas et al., PLB 800, 135068 \(2018\)](#)
- Full two loop calculations for Z decay by [Dubovyk et al., PLB 783, 037 \(2018\)](#)

- details not discussed in this experimental lecture, used for comparison with measurements

global fit of the electroweak sector



report here status of 2023 (party 2018), global picture does not change

global fit able to describe the EWPO, internal consistency

fit converges with

$$\chi_{\text{min}}^2 / \text{ndf} = 13.8 / 15$$

$$\rightarrow p\text{-value} = 0.55$$

largest tension remains

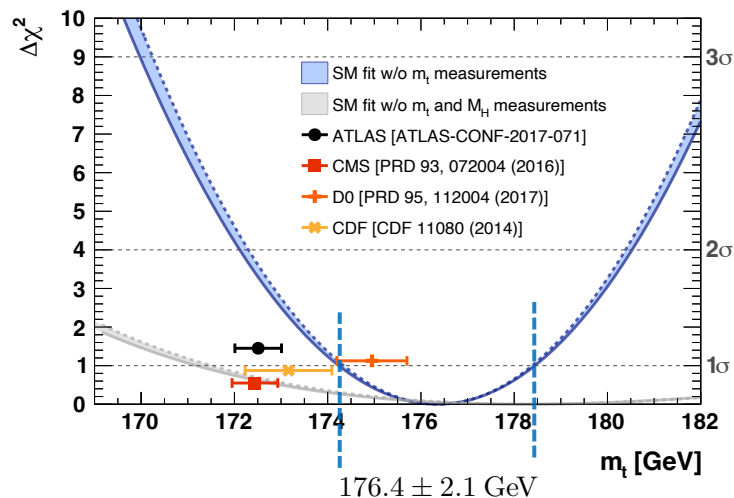
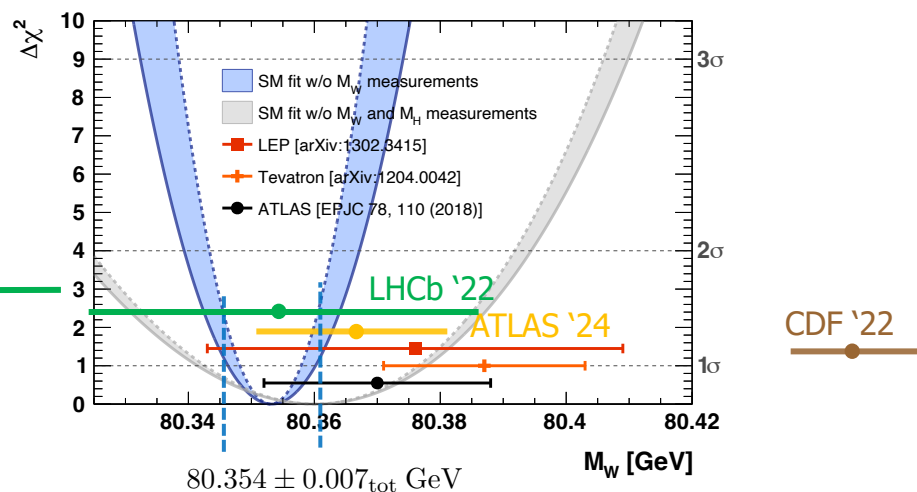
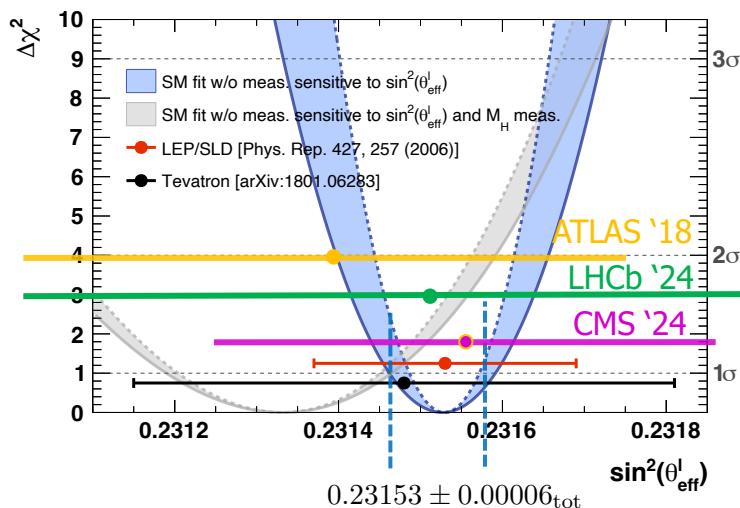
$A_{\text{FB}}^{0,b}(\text{LEP})$ and $A_l(\text{SLD})$.

m_W from CDF II not used in the following

global fit of the electroweak sector

Gfitter, Eur.Phys.J.C 78 (2018) 8, 675, 1803.01853

comparison of SM predictions from 2018 fit with recent direct measurements



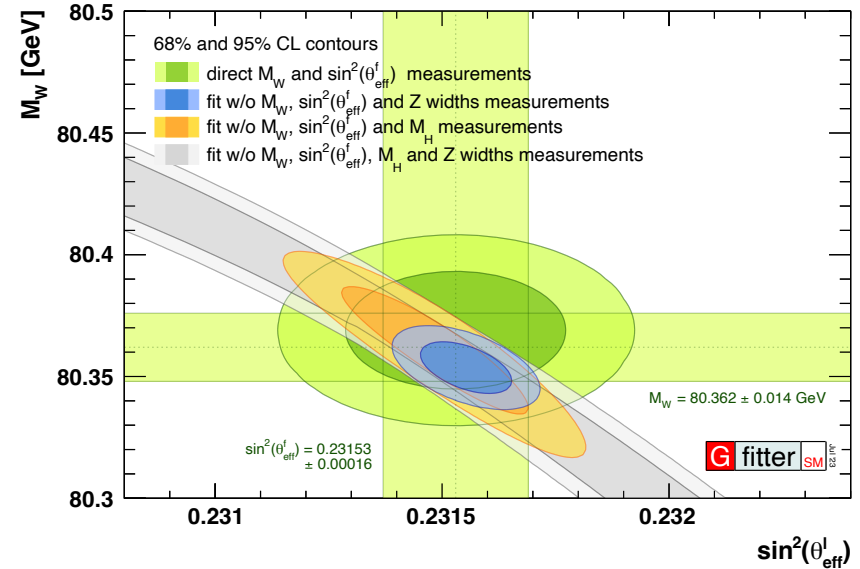
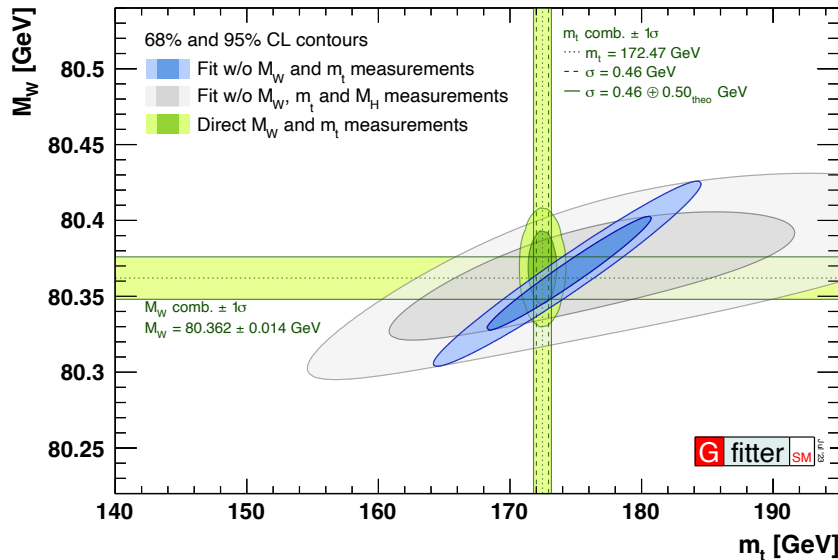
$\sin^2\theta_{\text{eff}}^l$: prediction from fit more precise than direct measurements, important to improve the measurements, **agreement found**

M_W : fit yields precision of 7 MeV, much better than direct measurements, **agreement (except CDF)**

m_t : different situation, direct measurements already significantly better than direct prediction, **agreement**

knowing the Higgs mass precisely is not of greatest importance (due to weak $\ln m_H$ dependence of HO corrections)

global fit of the electroweak sector



electroweak sector very consistent (using M_W from LEP+LHC)

hadron collider input (M_W , $\sin^2\theta_{\text{eff}}^l$, m_t , M_H) driving the exp progress

- we cannot know M_W and $\sin^2\theta_{\text{eff}}^l$ precisely enough
- further experimental improvements highly desirable
 - CMS M_W measurement awaited to clarify tension

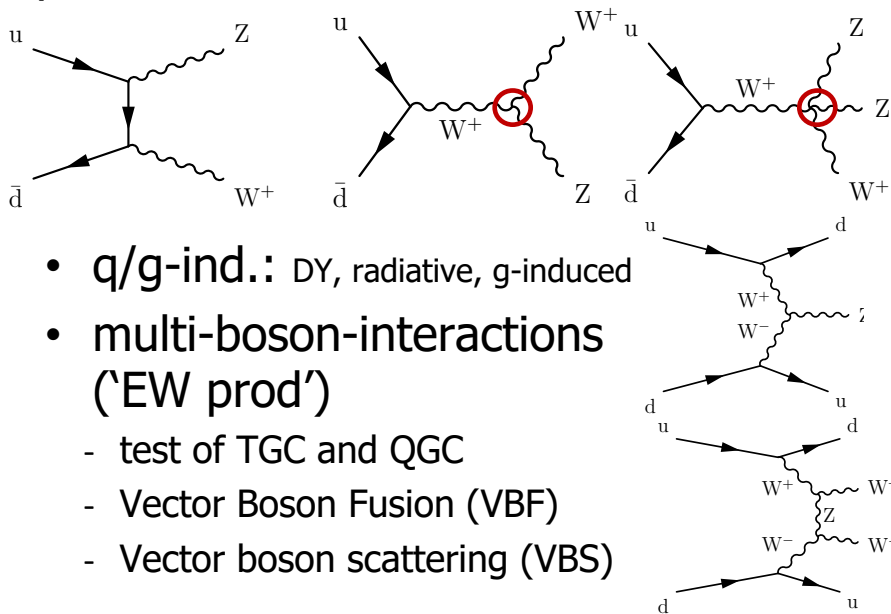
measurements of EW processes at high E: multi-boson production

Multi-Boson production at LHC

Multi-boson production provides detailed insights into VV interactions

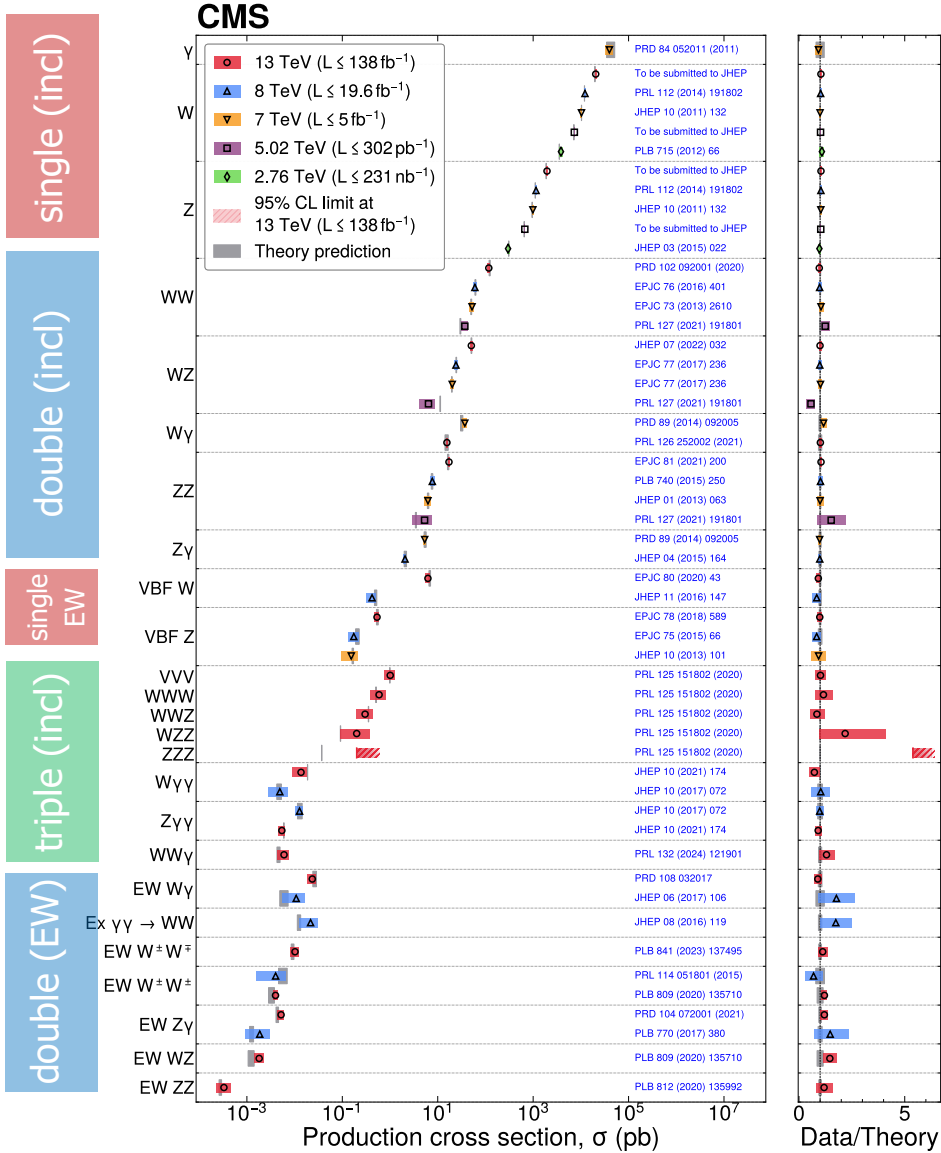
single, double, triple production

production modes for multi-W/Z:



- q/g-ind.: DY, radiative, g-induced
- multi-boson-interactions ('EW prod')
 - test of TGC and QGC
 - Vector Boson Fusion (VBF)
 - Vector boson scattering (VBS)

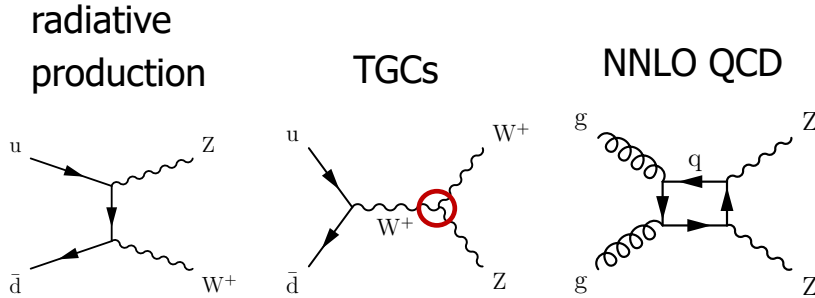
large variety of final states,
broad range of cross-sections probed
can only cover a tiny fractions



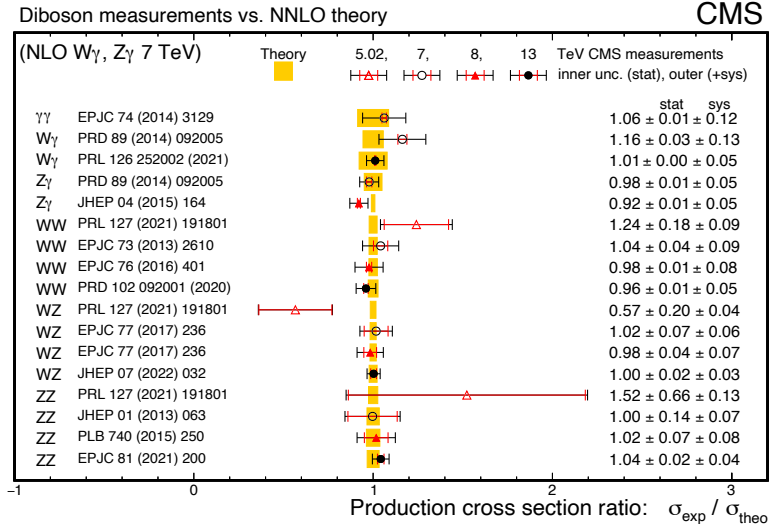
Diboson production at LHC

CMS review, subm. to PhysRep., 2405.18661

several production modes:

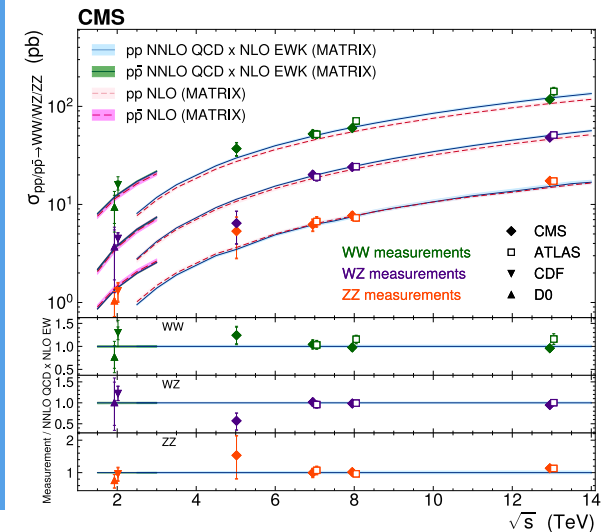


- first observed at Tevatron



precision results available at LHC

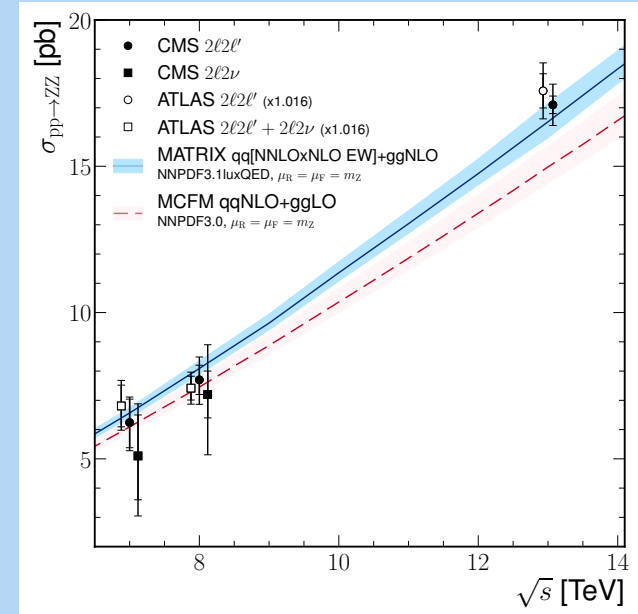
- pure $W \rightarrow l\nu$ and $Z \rightarrow ll$ reconstruction + large datasets
- already in Run-1: studies of major modes
 $\gamma\gamma, W_\gamma, Z_\gamma, OS W^\pm W^\mp, WZ, ZZ$
- Run-2: high precision measurements at several % level
 - most precise: WZ, ZZ with 3-4 % precision
 - need NNLO QCD + NLO EW calculations for comparison
 - o good agreement seen



Diboson production at LHC

importance of accurate SM predictions

- comparing precise σ_{ZZ} measurements with:
 - NLO QCD for $q\bar{q}$, LO QCD for gg
 - NNLO QCD + NLO EW for $q\bar{q}$, NLO QCD for gg
- contribution from NLO and NNLO QCD substantially increase cross sections
- needed for agreement with experimental data



differential measurements for all diboson final states also done

- variety of variables: $p_T^l, p_T^V, n_{\text{jet}}, p_T^{\text{jet}}, m_{VV}, \dots$ (with sensitivity for HO QCD, HO EW or BSM)
- not covered here, in general decent agreement observed.

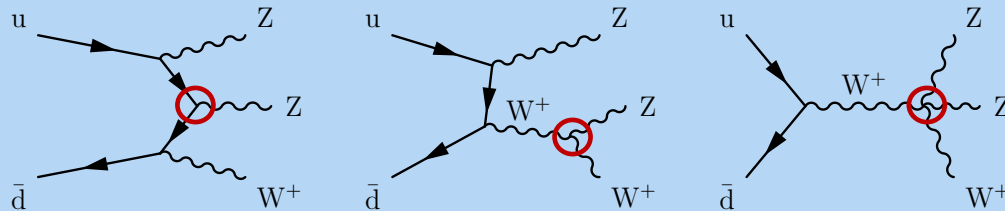
Triboson production at LHC

ATLAS, Phys. Rev. Lett. 129 (2022) 061803, 2201.13045

CMS, Phys.Rev.Lett. 125 (2020) 15, 151802, 2006.11191

most difficult: VVV with very small cross-sections

- probe of TGCs and QGC
 - smaller TGC sensitivity than in diboson

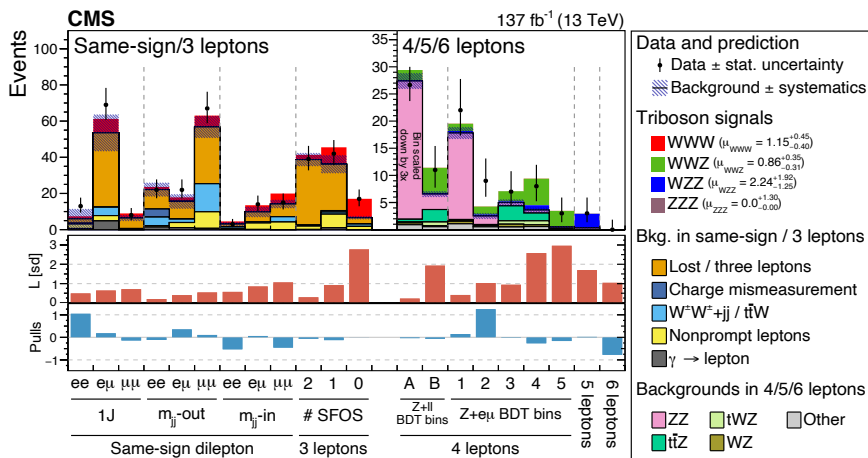
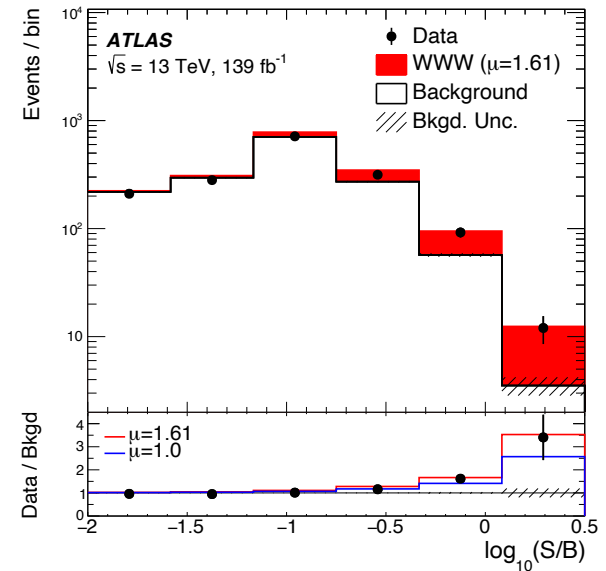


at LHC Run-2: large \sqrt{s} and large $\int L dt$

first time discovery, signature: multi-lepton (SS) events

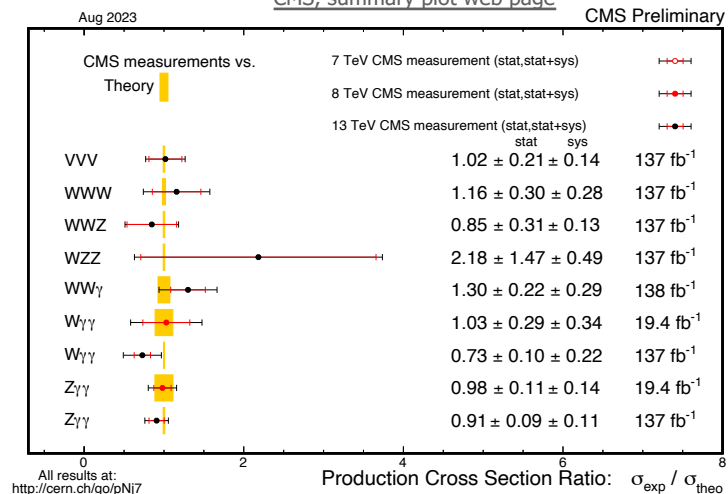
ATLAS: WWW observed (significance: 8σ , 2.6σ above SM (NLO QCD, EW LO))[^]

CMS: VV collectively observed, individual evidence for WWW, WWZ



[CMS, summary plot web page](#)

CMS Preliminary



O(30)% precision

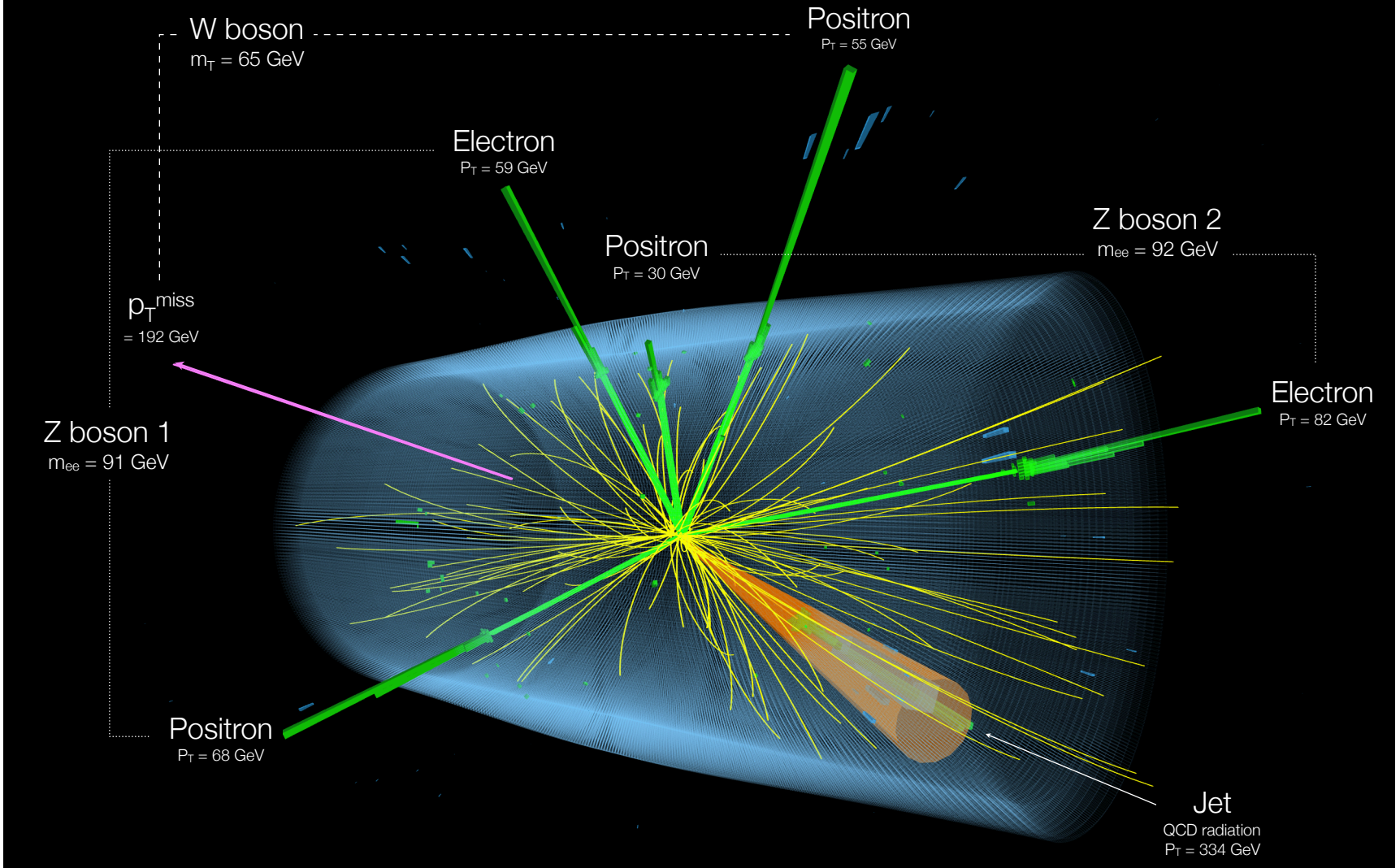
decent agreement with SM prediction

Triboson production at LHC

CMS, additional material

$WZZ \rightarrow 5 \text{ lepton event}$

CMS experiment at the LHC, CERN
Data recorded: 2016-Oct-09 21:24:05.010240 GMT
Run 282735, Event No. 989682042 LS 491



Vector-Boson scattering (VBS)

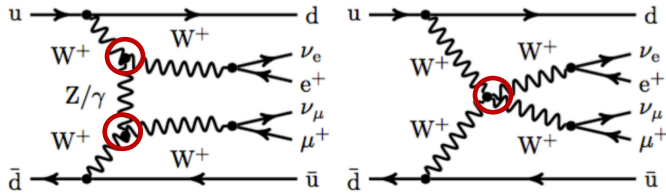
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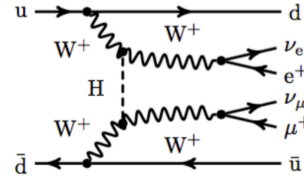
Vector-Boson scattering is unique at LHC
production modes:

double TGC in
t- and s- channel

quartic gauge
couplings



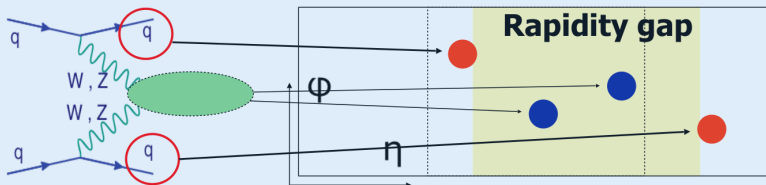
t-channel Higgs
(needed to unitarize
cross-section of
longitudinal VBS)



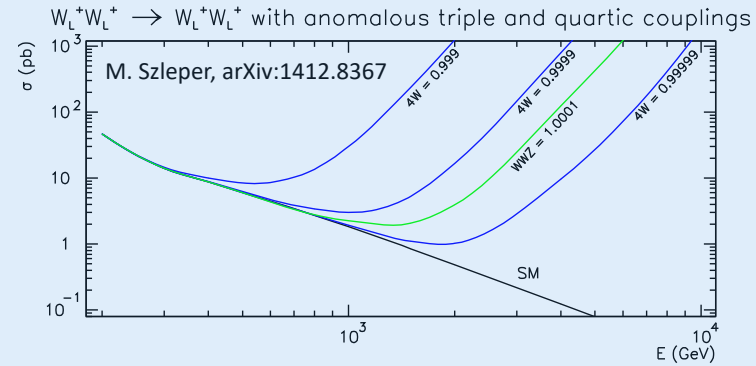
highly interesting, purely EW interactions

experimental features: very rare, O(fb)

- 2 jets, large rapidity gap, high mass

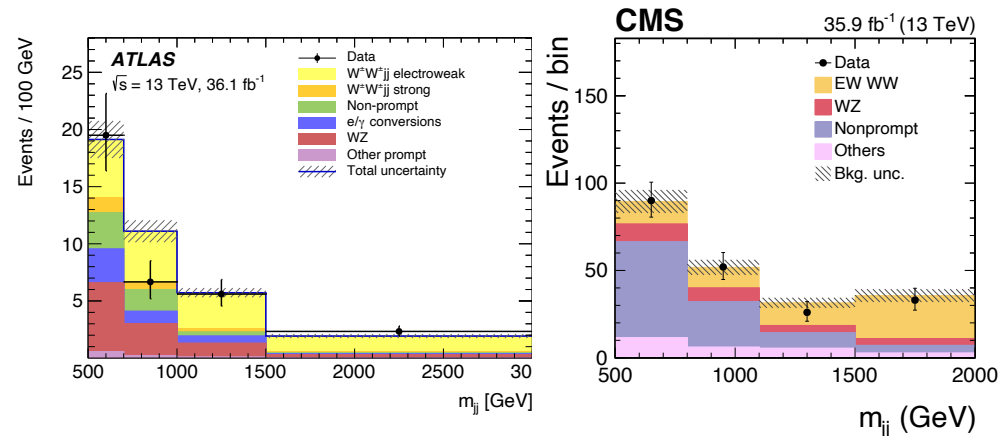


SM: cancellations of contributions
in $W_L^+ W_L^+ \rightarrow W_L^+ W_L^+$



first obs. in SS WW in early Run-2

ATLAS: 6.5 (4.4) σ , CMS: 5.5 (5.7) σ

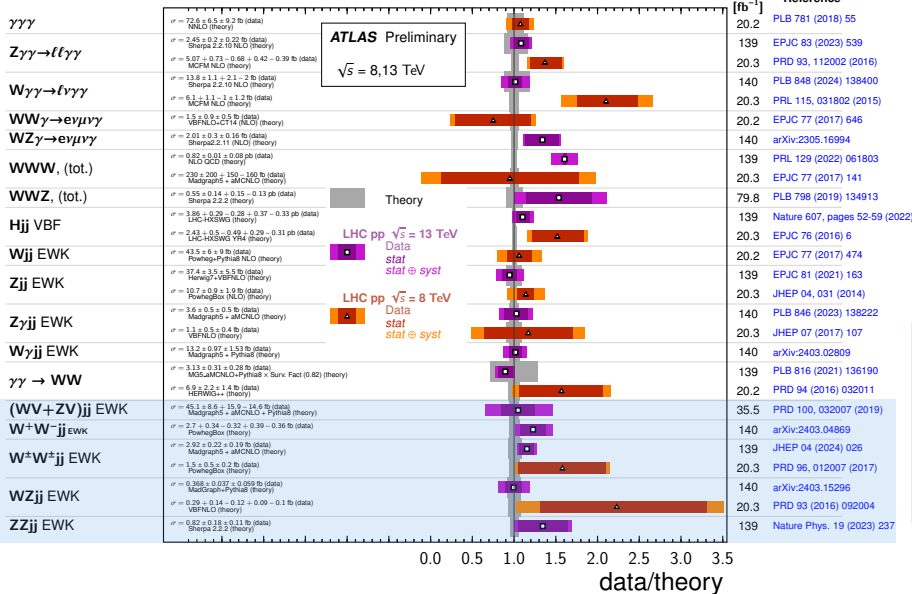


Vector-Boson scattering (VBS)

with full Run-2 data, VBS observed in all major channels:

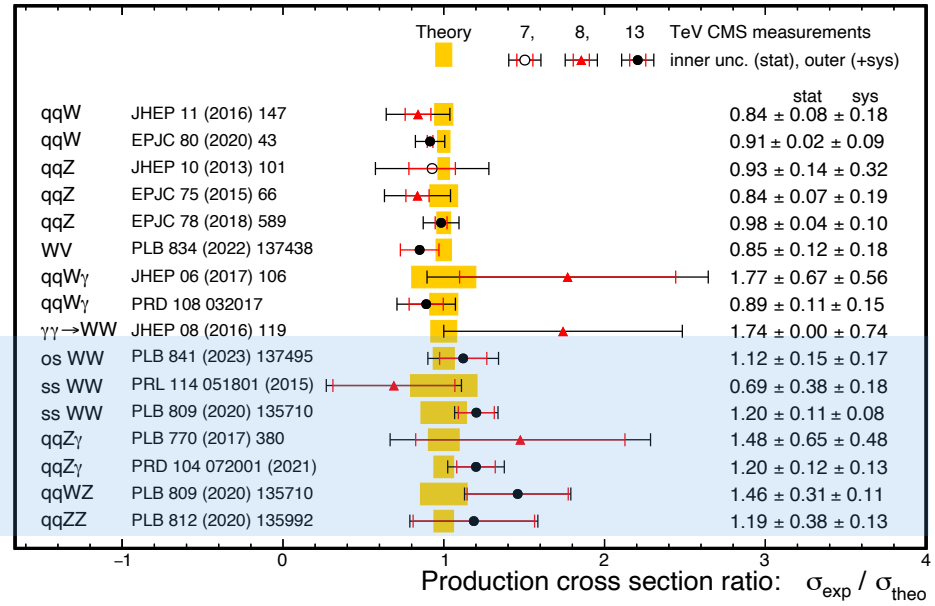
VBF, VBS, and Triboson Cross Section Measurements

Status: June 2024



EW measurements vs. theory

CMS

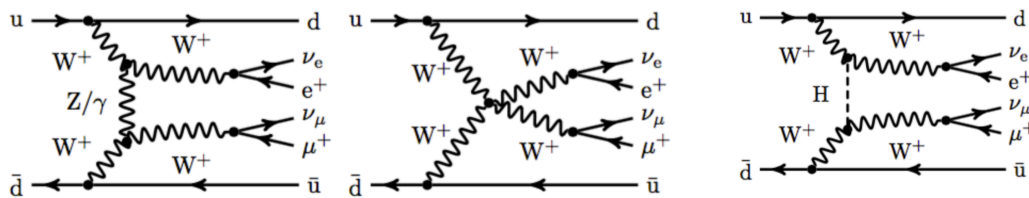


- plenty of results (incl. and differential): see ATLAS and CMS presentations at ICHEP24
- decent agreement with theoretical predictions within significant uncertainties
- constraints on aQGCs (EFT dim-8 operators)
- results are statistically dominated
- improved precision expected with more data (Run-3)

the next level: polarized Vector-boson scattering

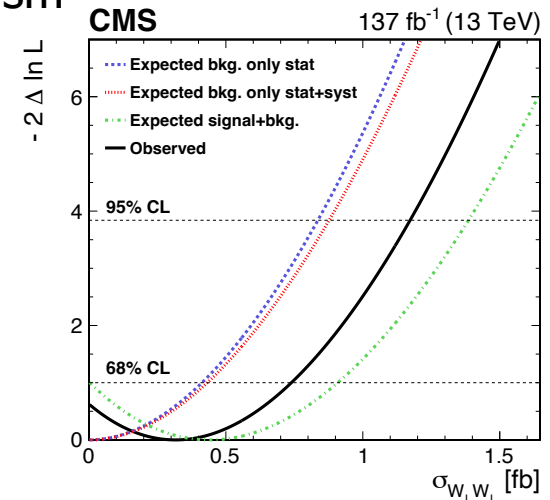
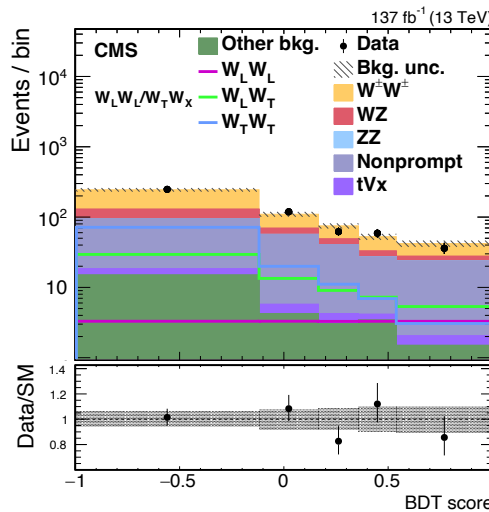
identification of scattering of longitudinally polarized WW: clear sign of presence of Higgs interaction in VBS

considered one of the crucial tests of EWSB mechanism



current analyses use distinctive SS channel of $W^\pm W^\pm$

- multivariate discriminant to separate polarisation contributions



run-2 data not enough for evidence:

- significance for VBS $W_L^\pm W_X^\pm$ is 2.3σ
 - obs. 95% CL: $\sigma(W_L^\pm W_L^\pm) < 1.17$ fb
 - SM prediction: $\sigma(W_L^\pm W_L^\pm) = 0.44$ fb

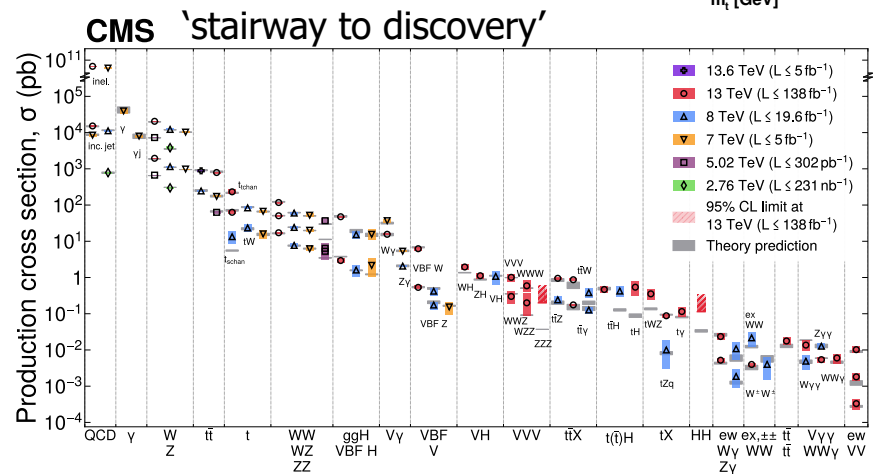
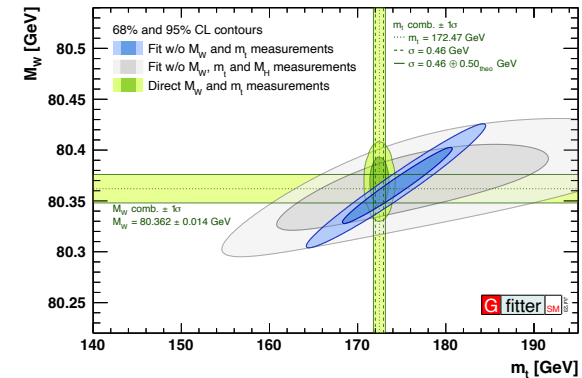
MADGRAPH5_aMC@NLO LO + $\mathcal{O}(\alpha_s \alpha^6)$ and $\mathcal{O}(\alpha^7)$ corrections

stay tuned !

summary of first part (EW)

LHC provides a broad range of EW results (often far beyond initial expectations)

- recently many new, highly precise measurements of EW parameters (M_W , $\sin^2\theta_{\text{eff}}^l$)
 - in combination with EWPO from e^+e^- → impressive internal consistency
- wide variety of EW processes identified; cross sections being measured with increasing precision
 - reaching few %-level in some cases
 - good agreement with SM prediction
 - testing non-trivial HO effects of theory



LHC Run-3 + HL-LHC: results will get even more precise → SM confirmation or BSM ?