

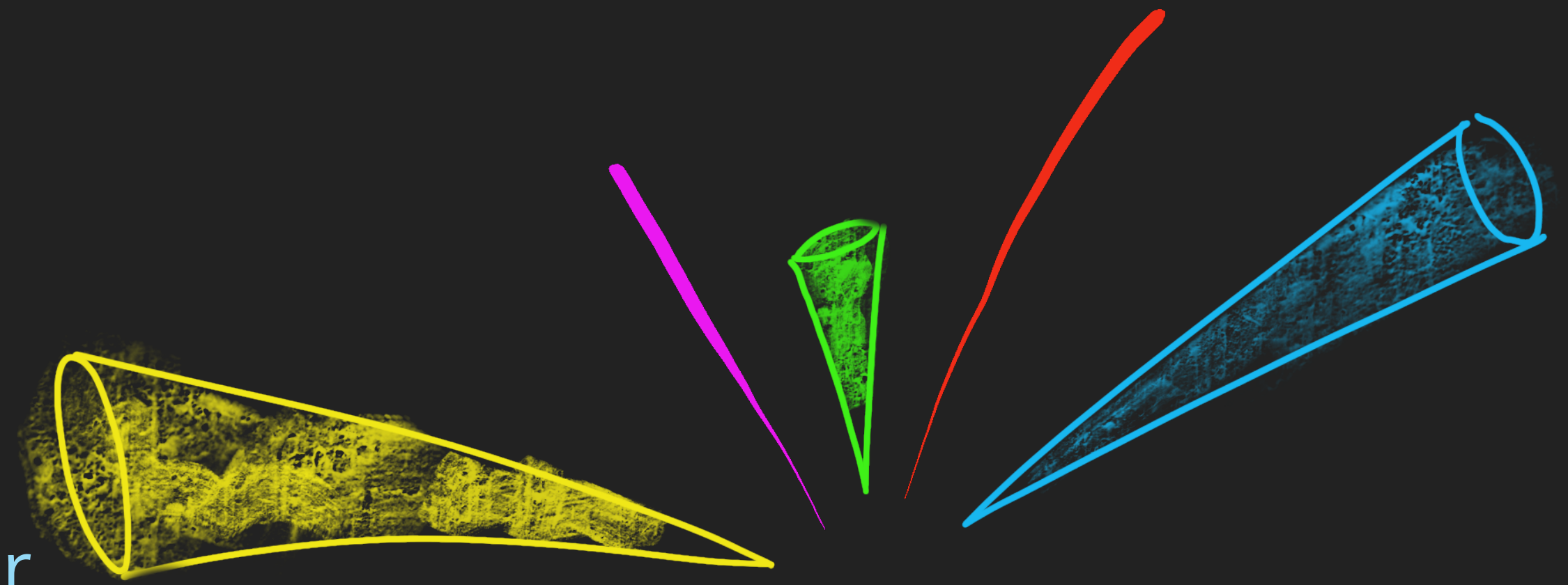
# New differential cross section measurements in the Higgs sector

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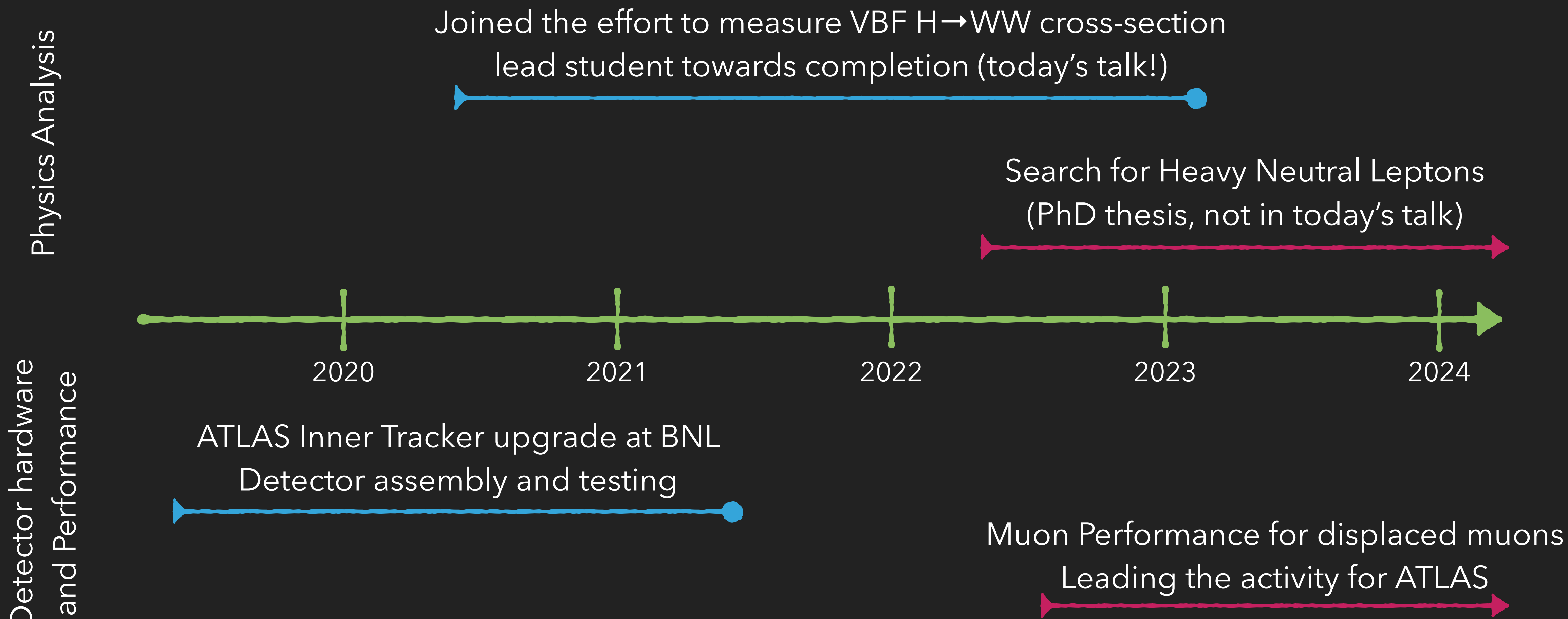


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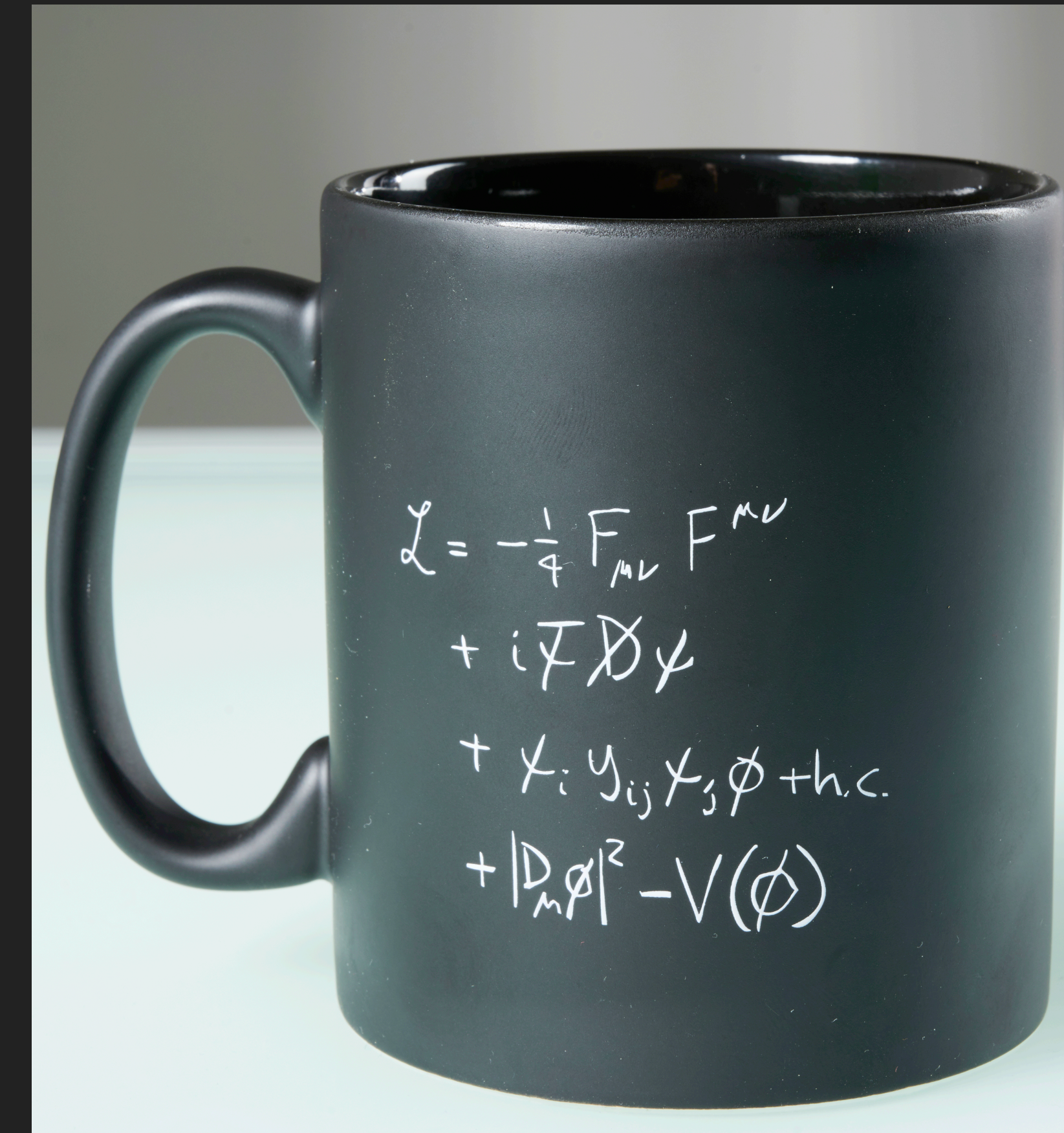
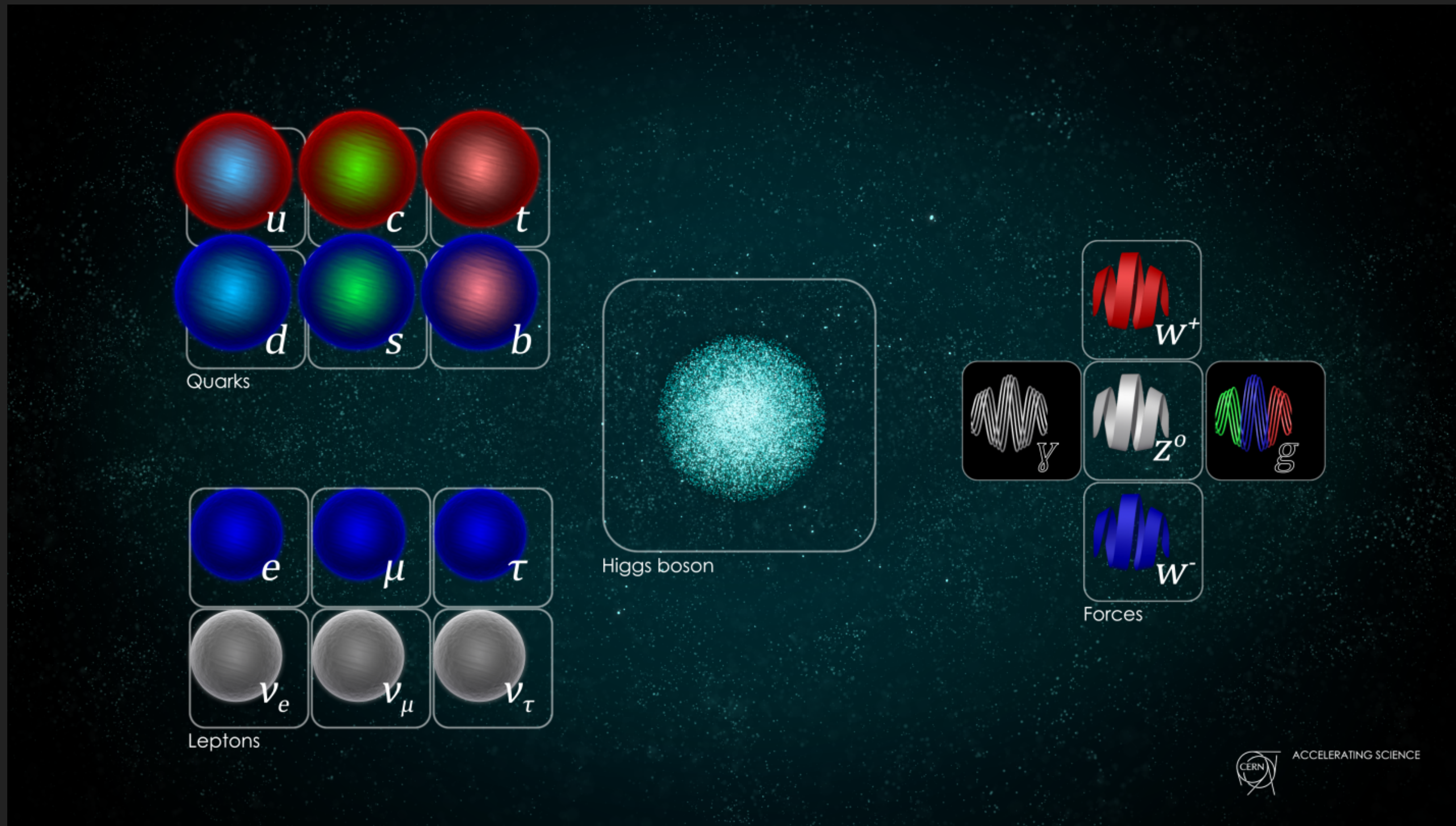


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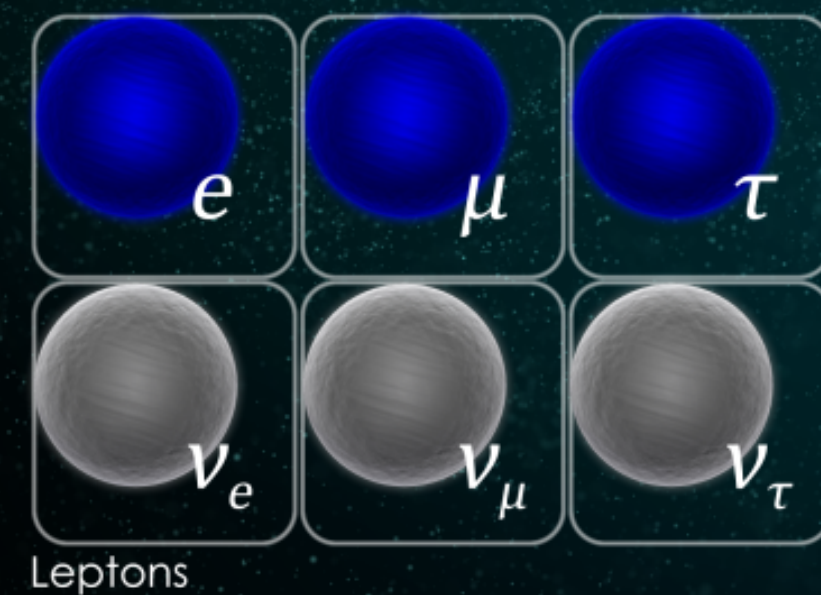
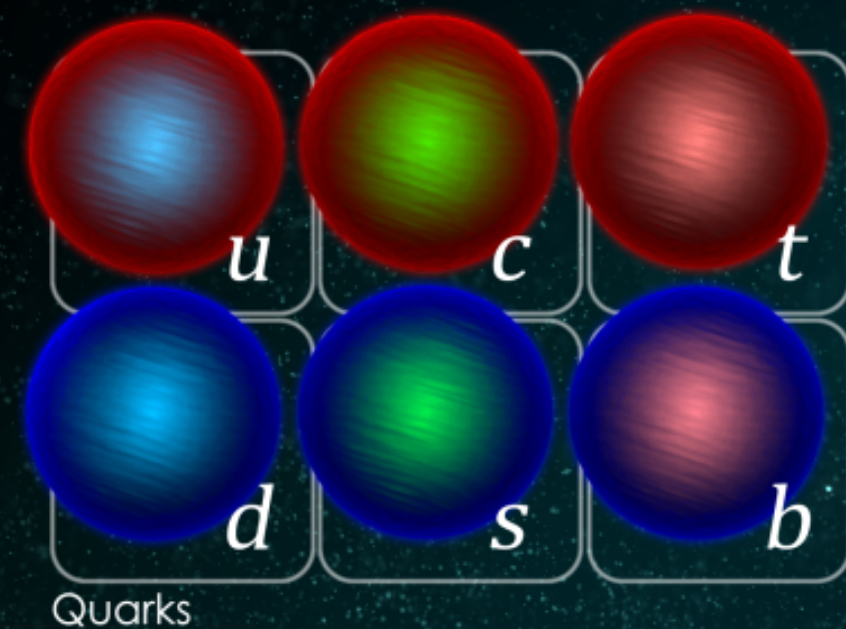
- ▶ Introduction: Why do we do them?
- ▶ Strategy: How do we do them?
- ▶ Optimization: How well can we do them?
- ▶ Results and Interpretation: What do we learn from them?
- ▶ Future Projections: How good can we get at them?

Teaser: First fully fiducial measurement in the Vector Boson Fusion  $H \rightarrow WW \rightarrow e\nu\mu\nu$  channel!

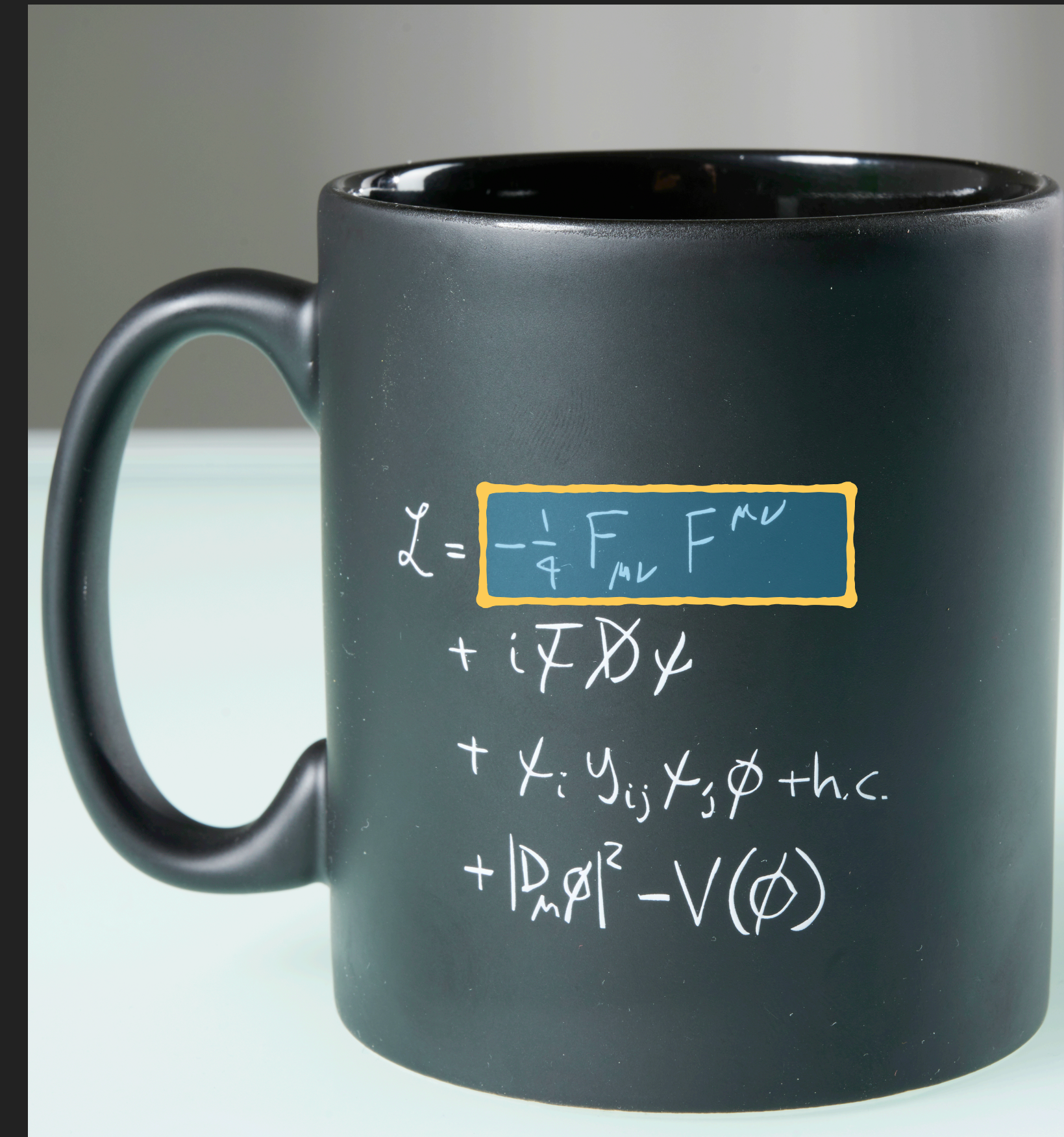
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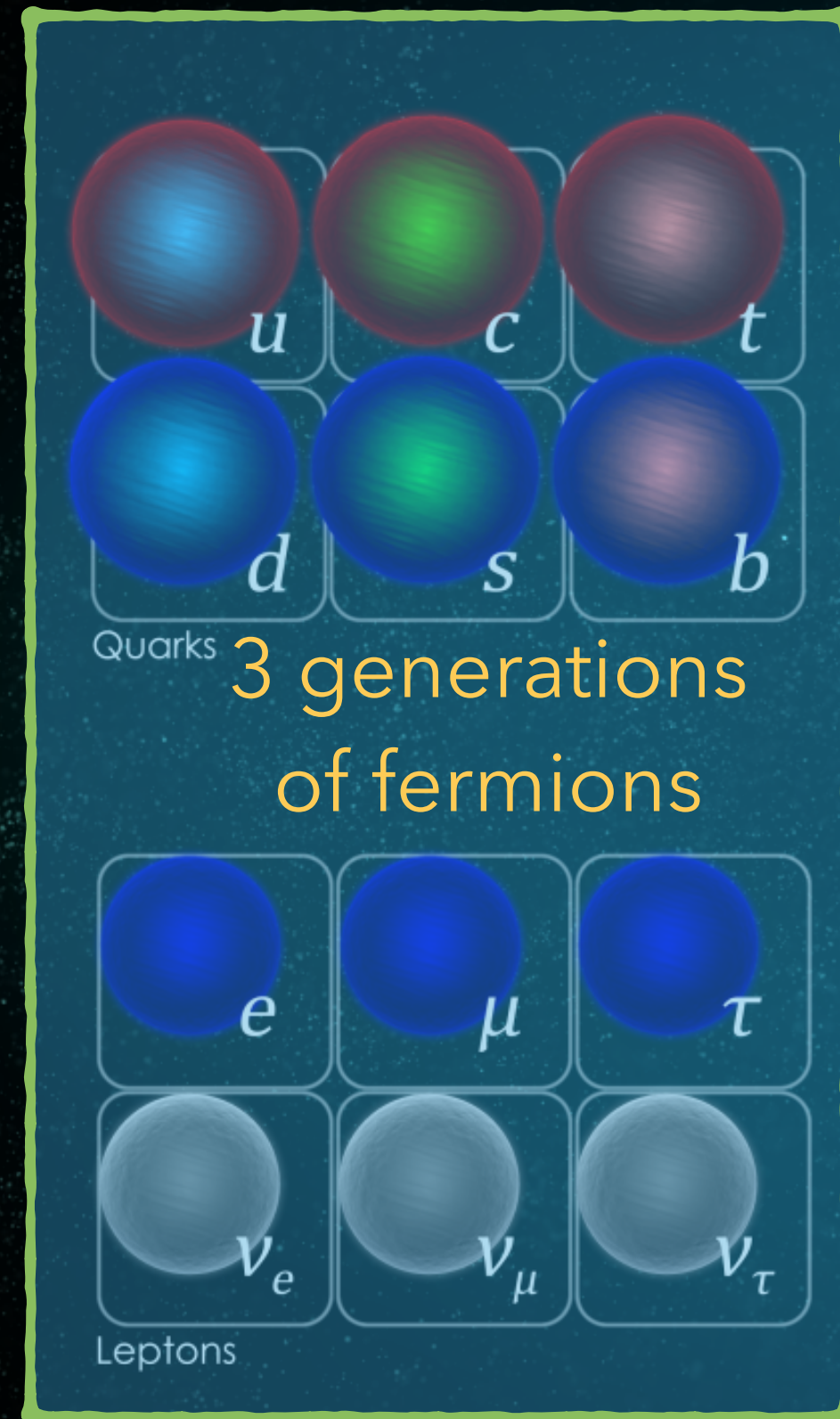
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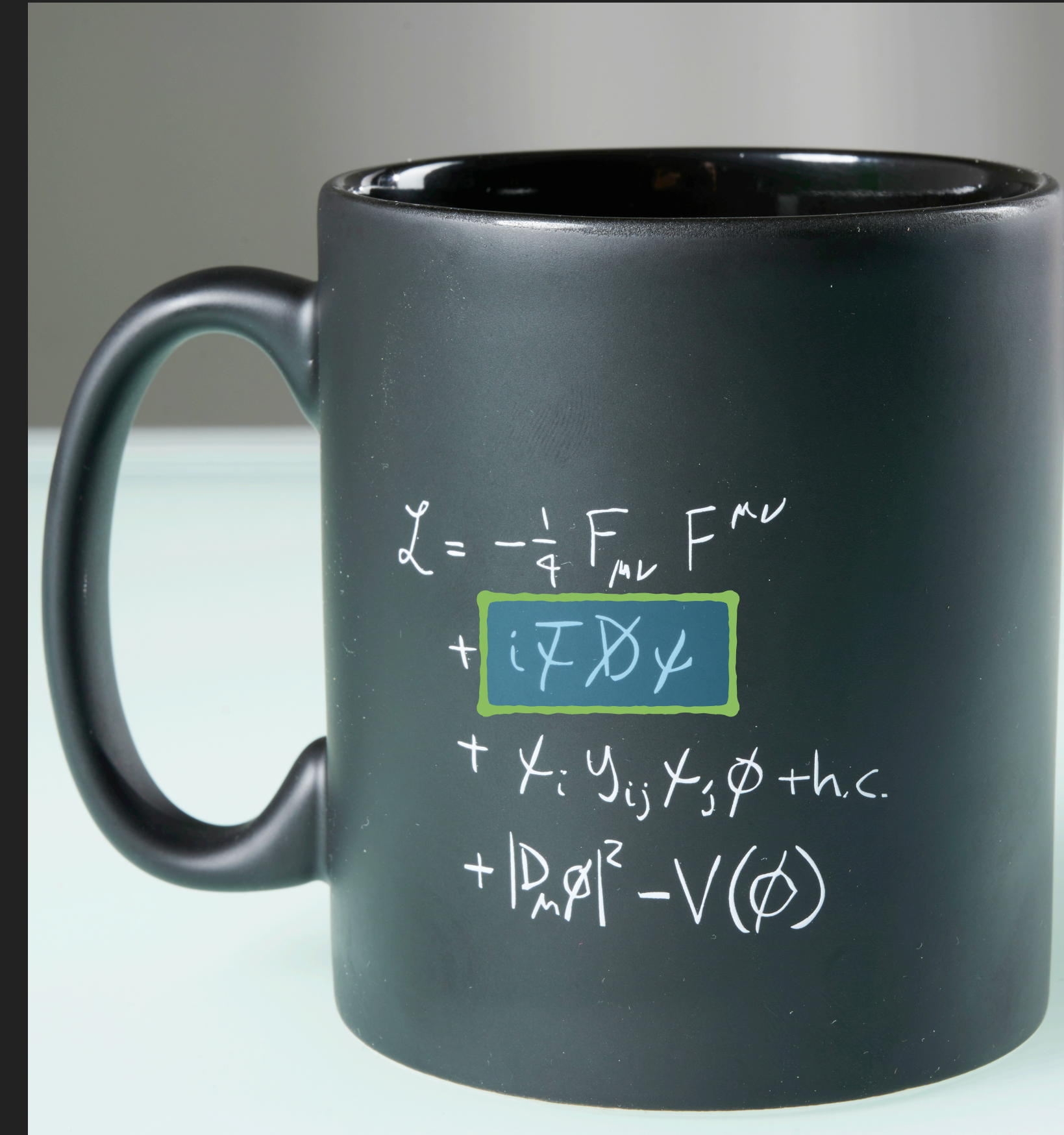
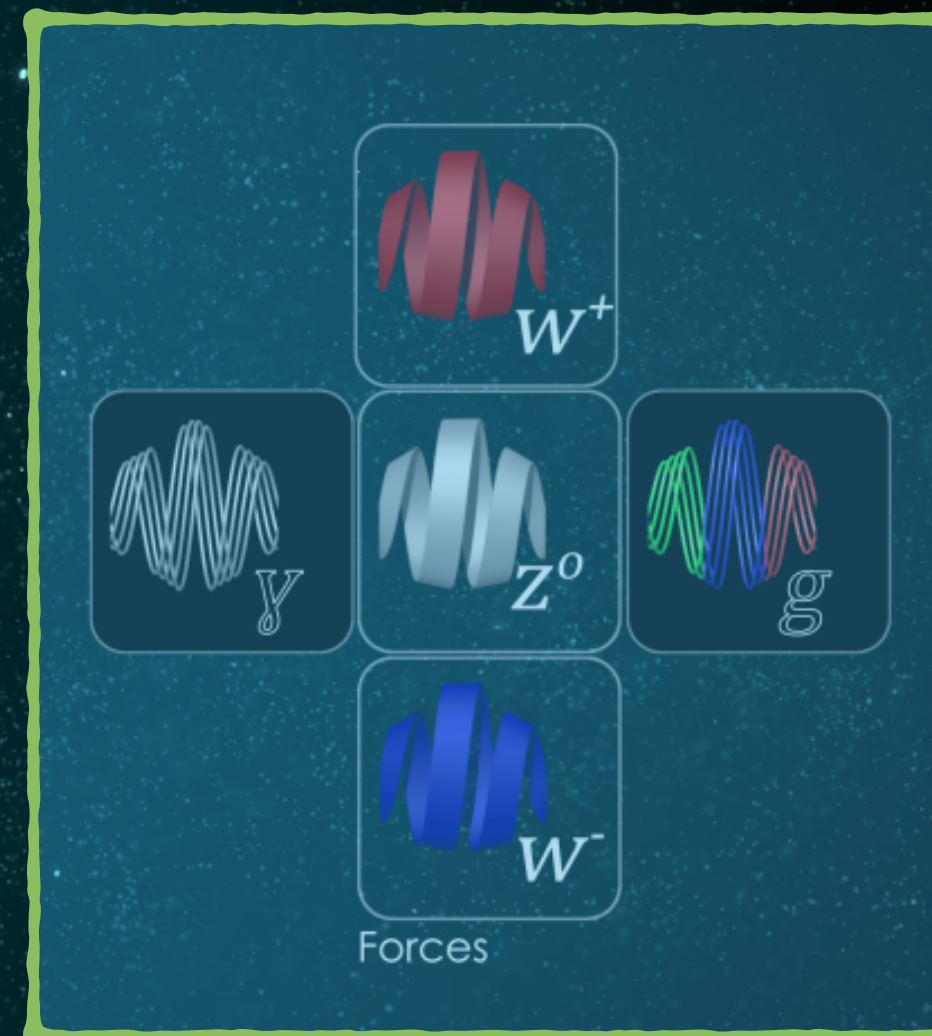
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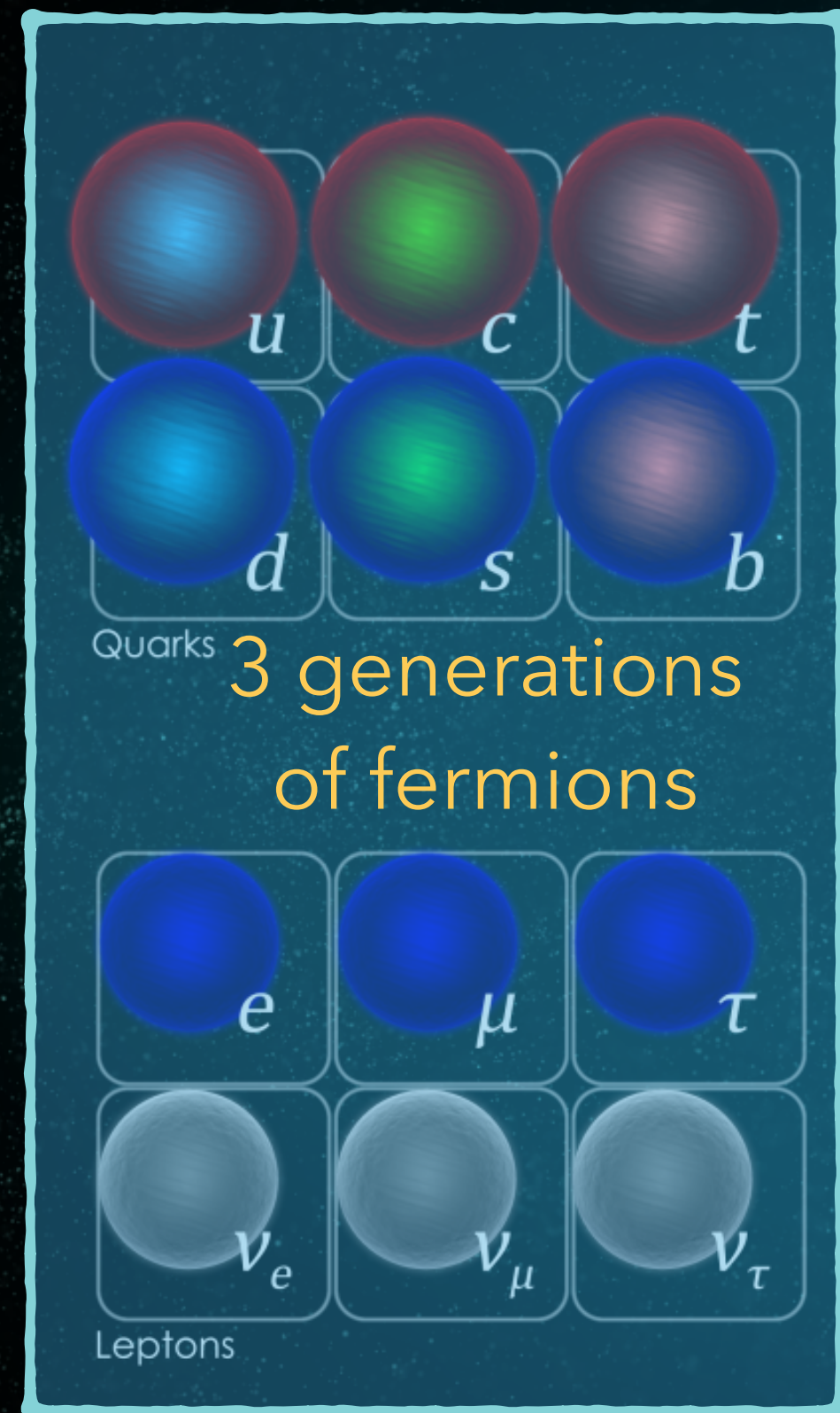
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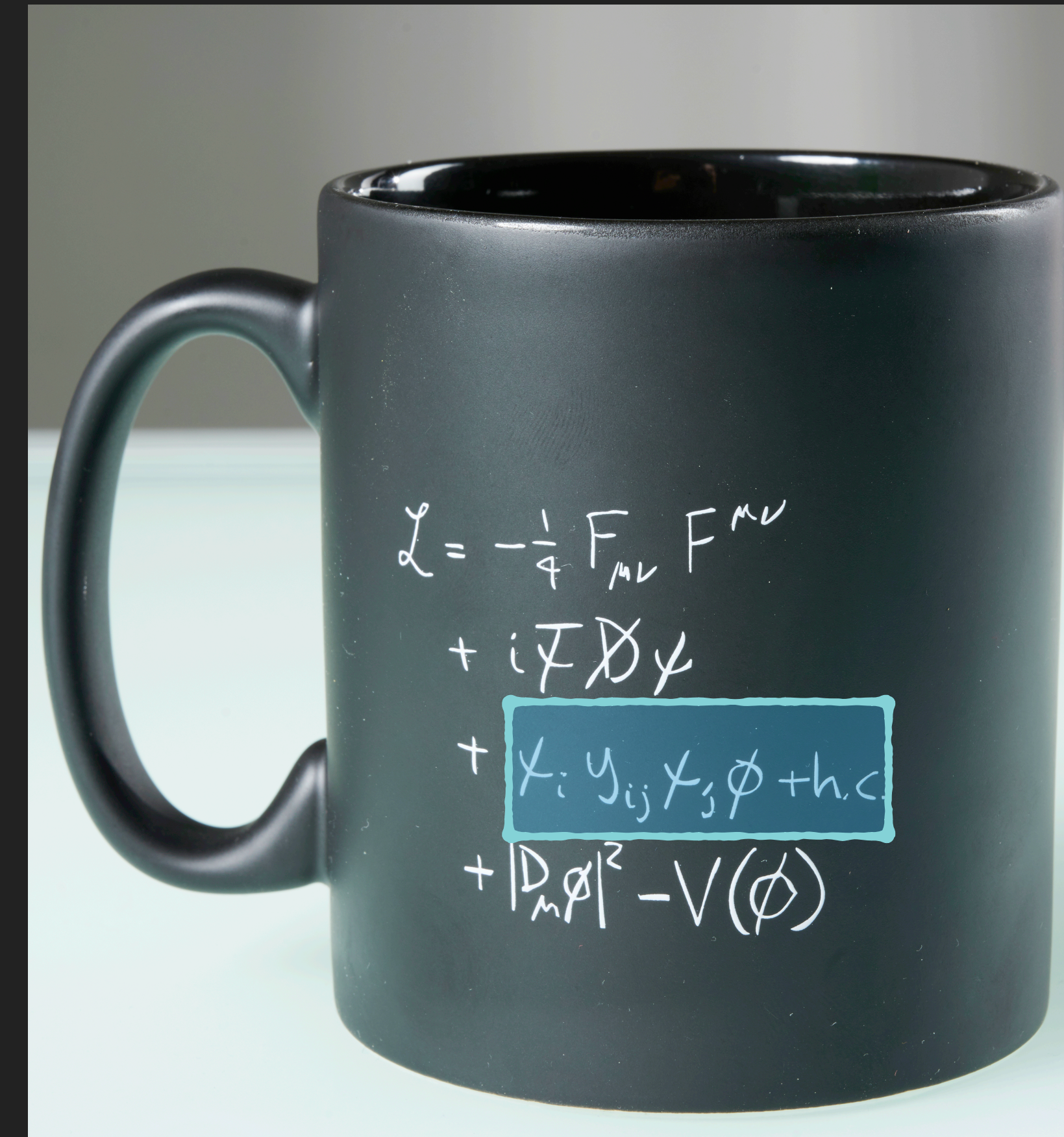
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# The Standard Model

The diagram illustrates the Standard Model of particle physics. On the left, it shows three generations of fermions:

- Quarks:** Top row (red spheres) contains  $u$ ,  $c$ , and  $t$ ; middle row (blue spheres) contains  $d$ ,  $s$ , and  $b$ .
- Leptons:** Bottom row (blue spheres) contains  $e$ ,  $\mu$ , and  $\tau$ ; bottom-most row (grey spheres) contains  $\nu_e$ ,  $\nu_\mu$ , and  $\nu_\tau$ .

Text below the quark section reads "3 generations of fermions".

In the center, a blue, grainy sphere is labeled "Higgs boson" and is enclosed in a pink rectangular box.

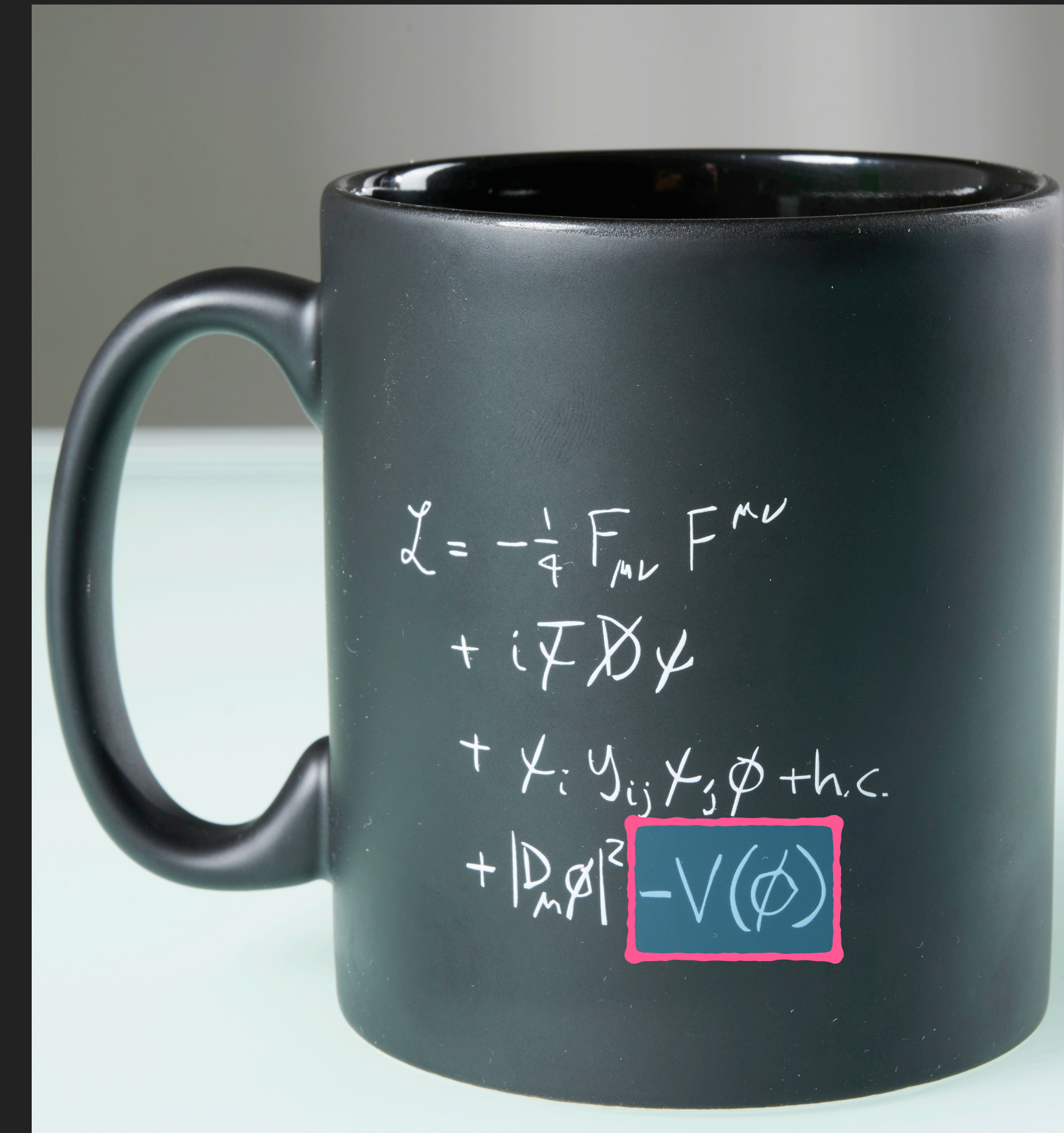
On the right, under the heading "Gauge bosons – force carriers", are four representations of force carriers:

- $W^+$  (red wavy ribbon)
- $Z^0$  (white wavy ribbon)
- $W^-$  (blue wavy ribbon)
- $g$  (green and blue wavy ribbons)

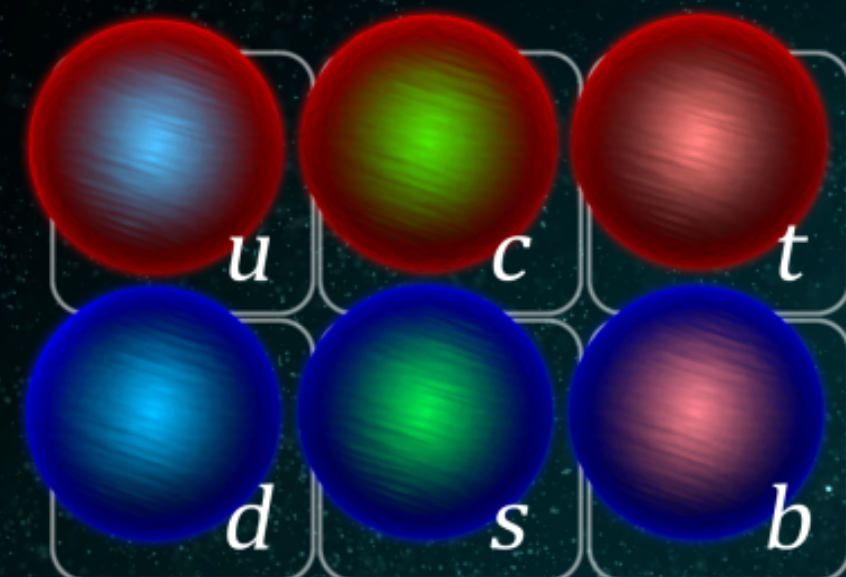
Other force carriers shown include  $\gamma$  (black wavy ribbon) and  $\gamma$  (white wavy ribbon).

The word "Forces" is written below the gauge boson representations.

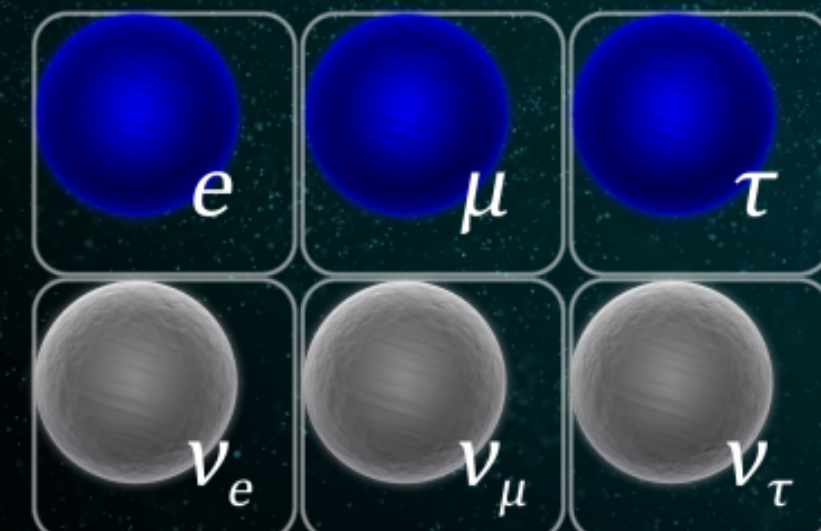
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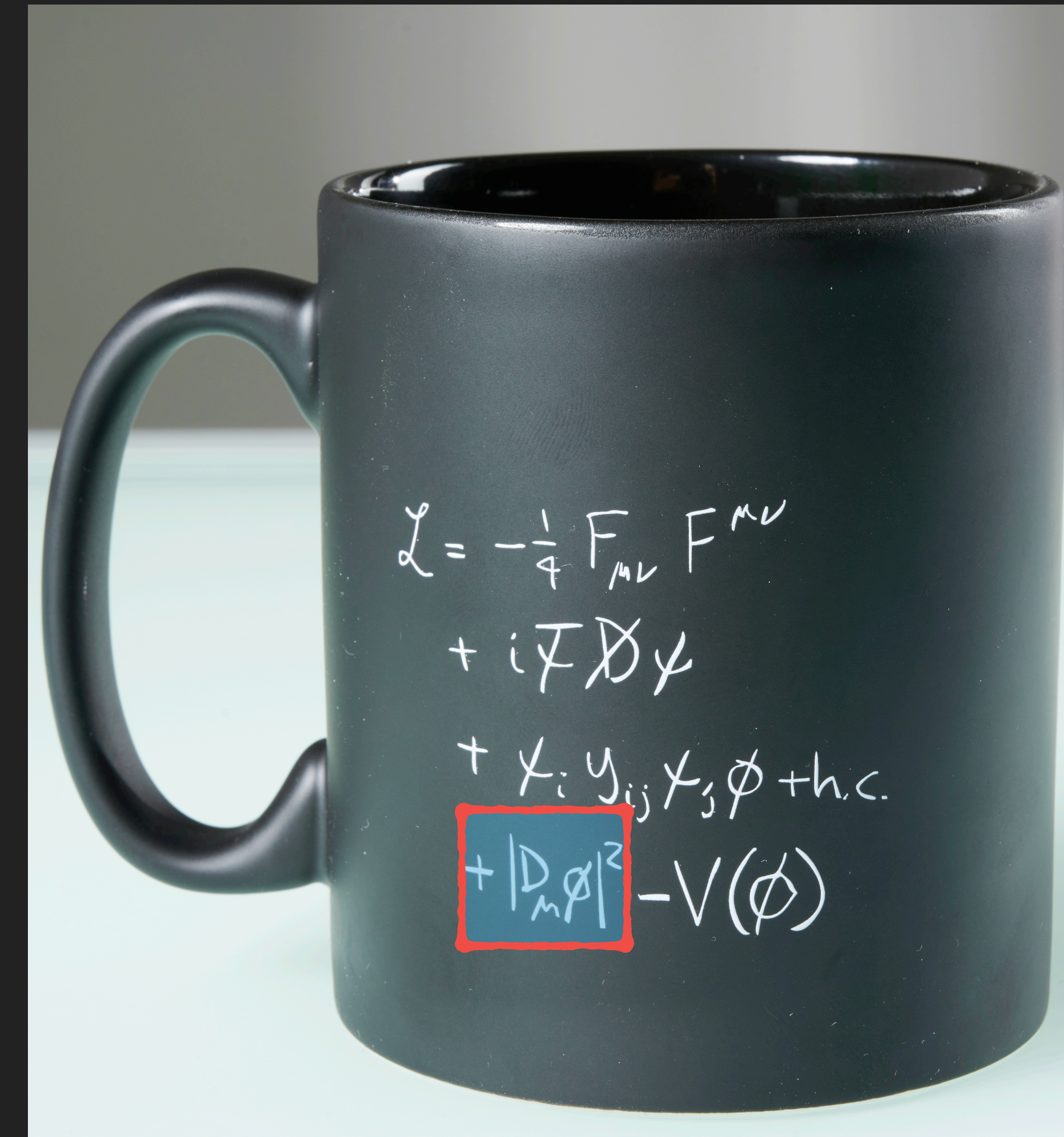


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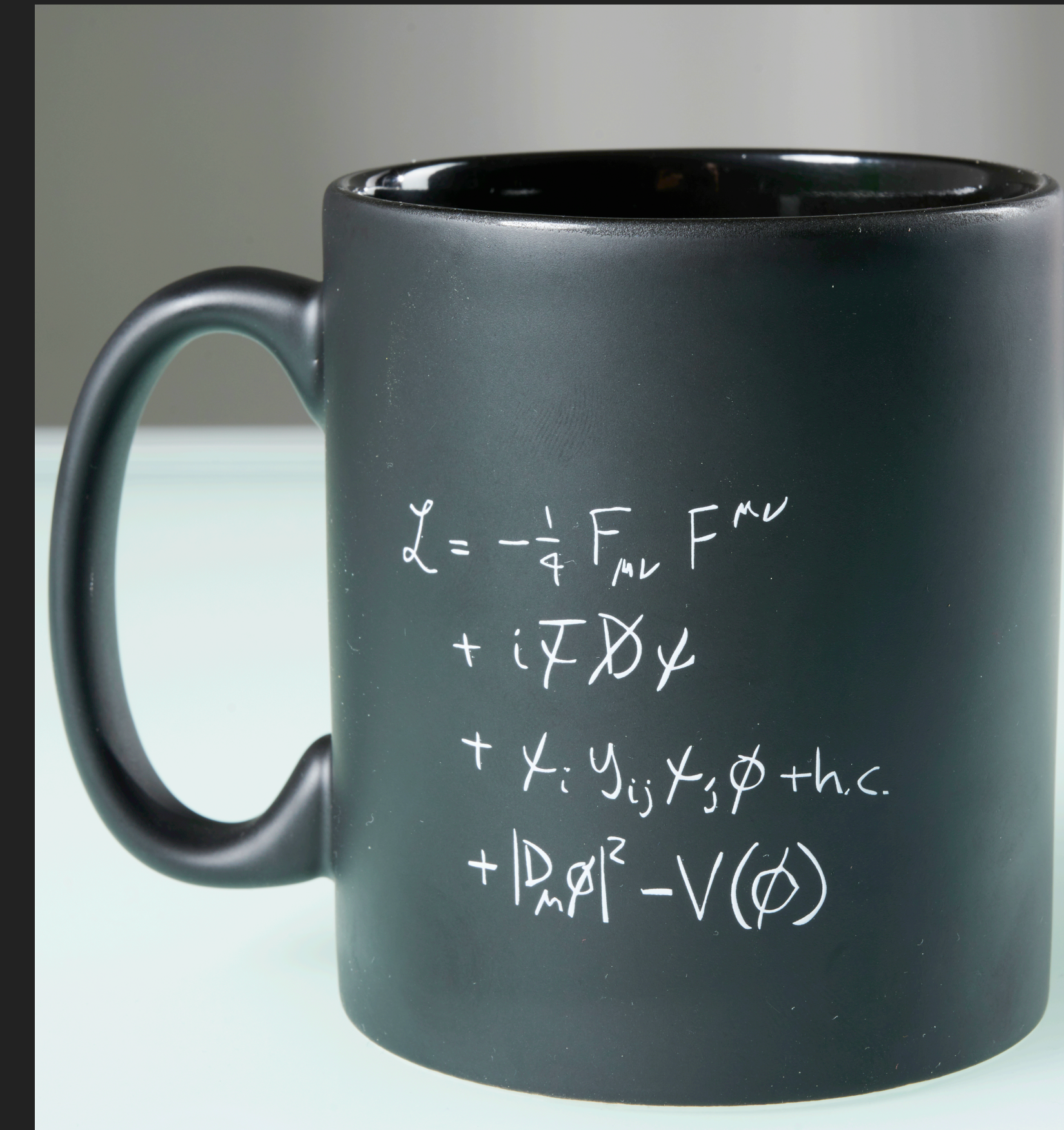
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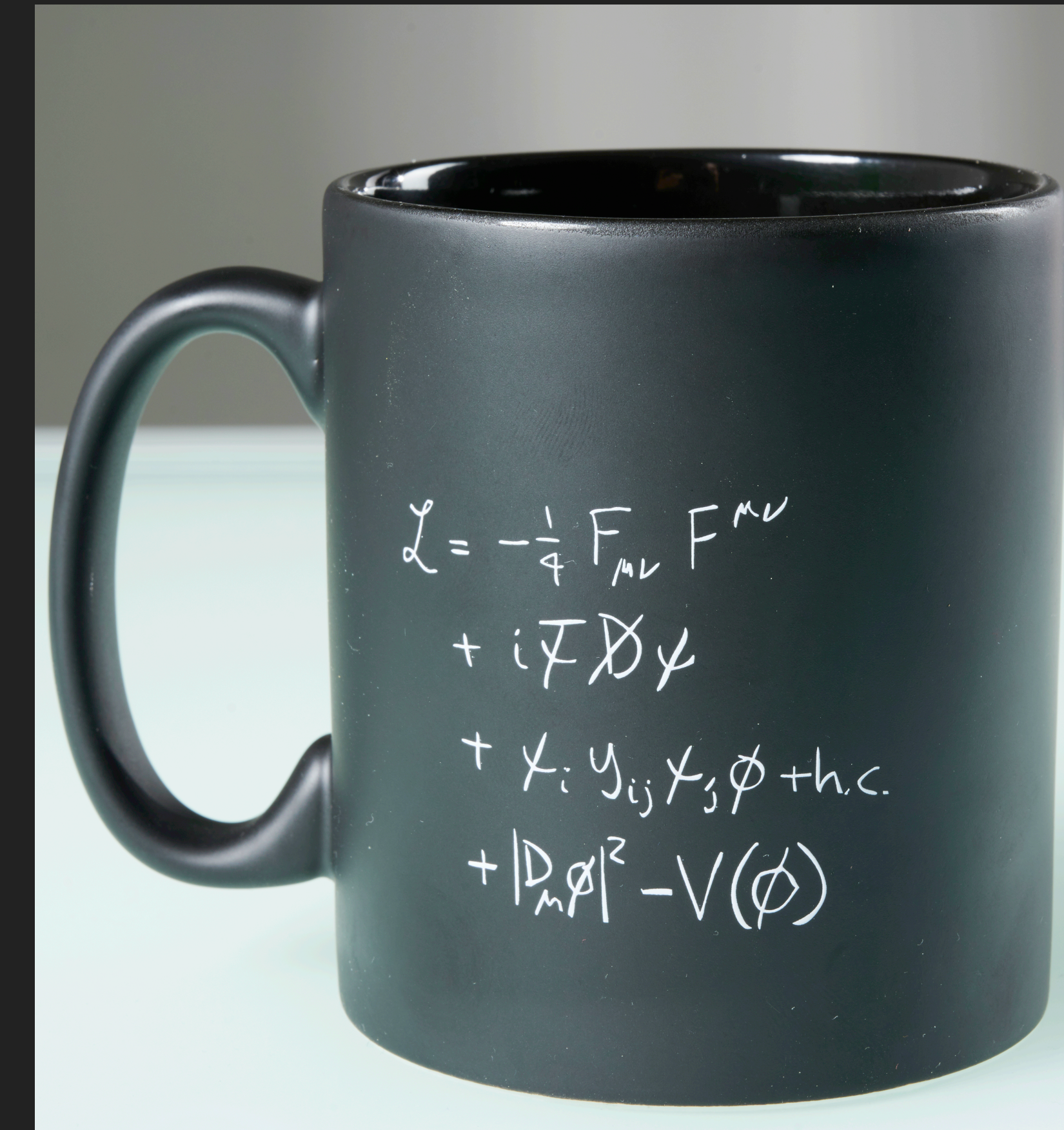
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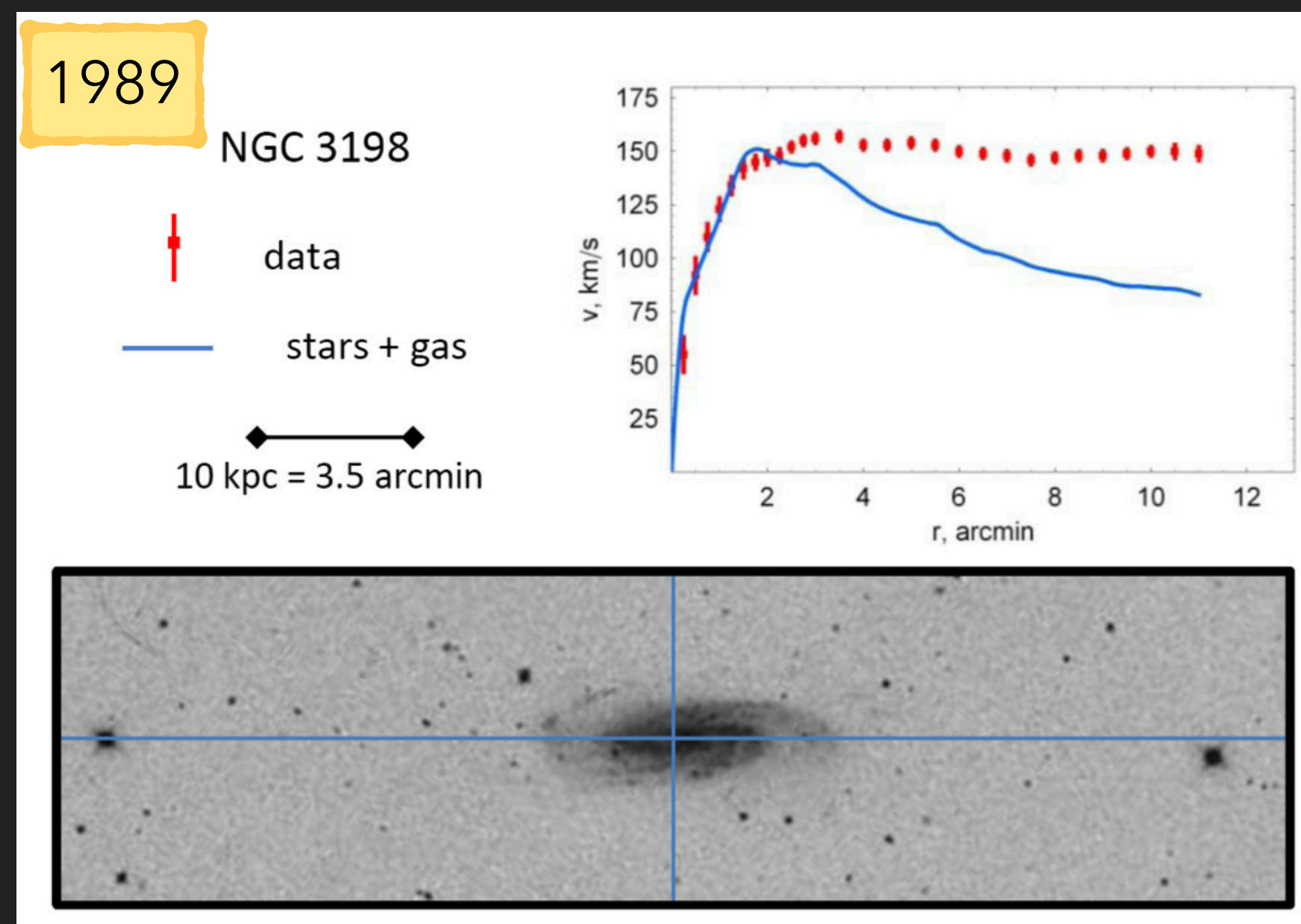
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Albeit incomplete...

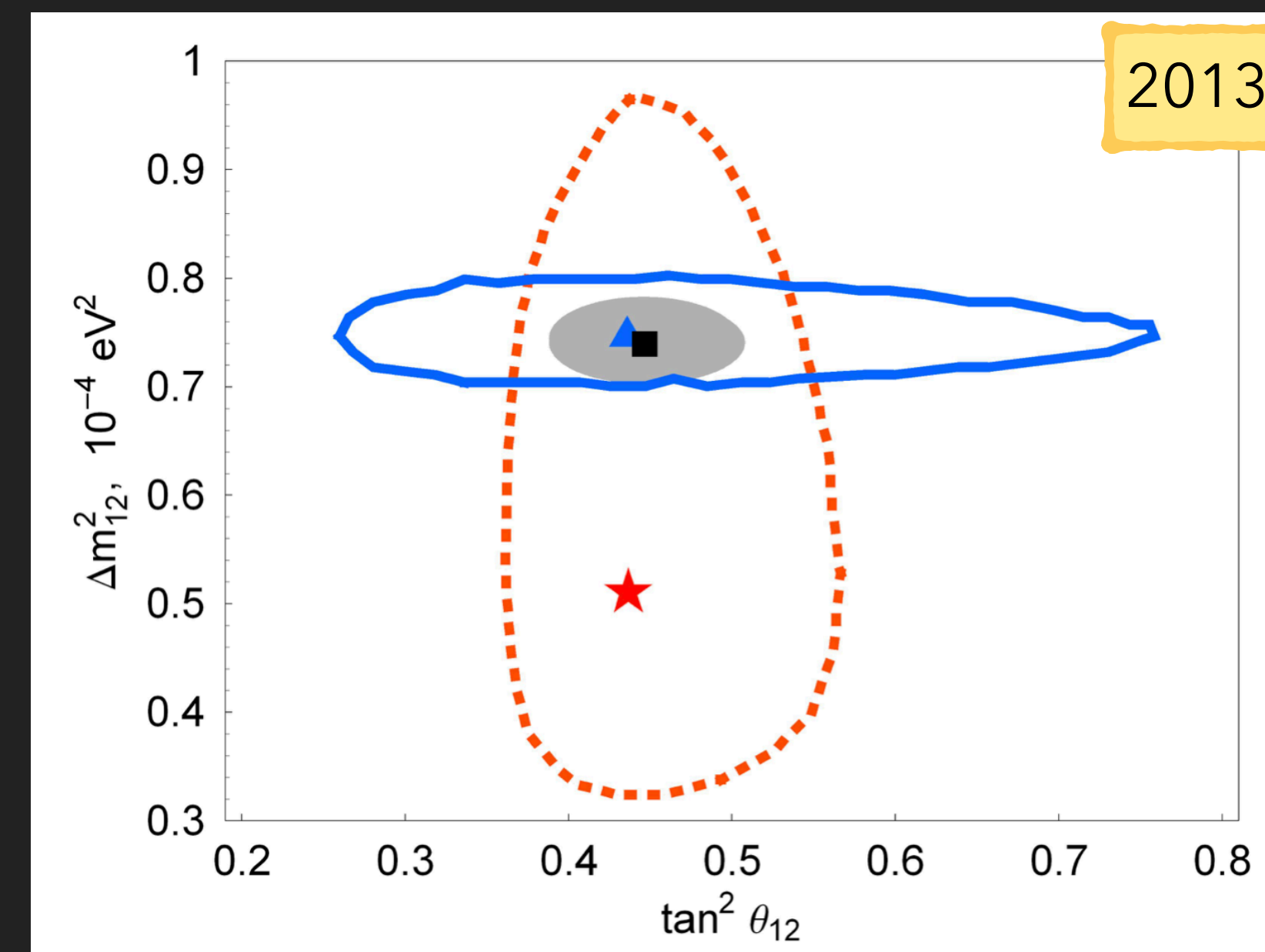
# Open Problems



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Rotation curves of galaxies  $\Rightarrow$  dark matter

What is the nature of DM?



SNO Collaboration: Phys. Rev. C 88, 025501

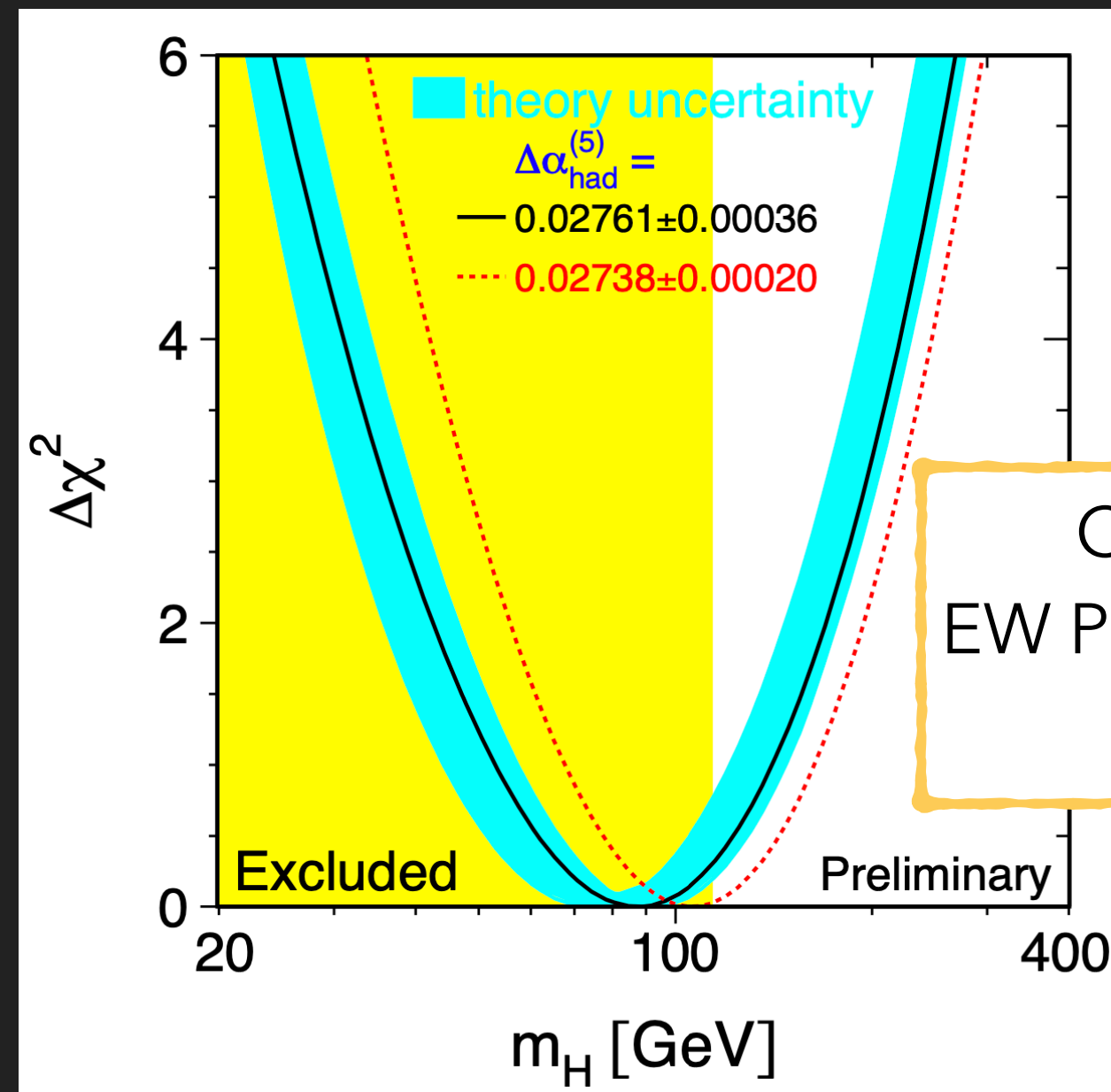
$\nu$  oscillations  $\Rightarrow \nu$  have mass

What is the origin of  $\nu$  mass?

Physicists try to tackle specific problems in two ways

- ▶ **direct searches** of their favourite particles in certain models
- ▶ **precision measurements** of Standard Model phenomena

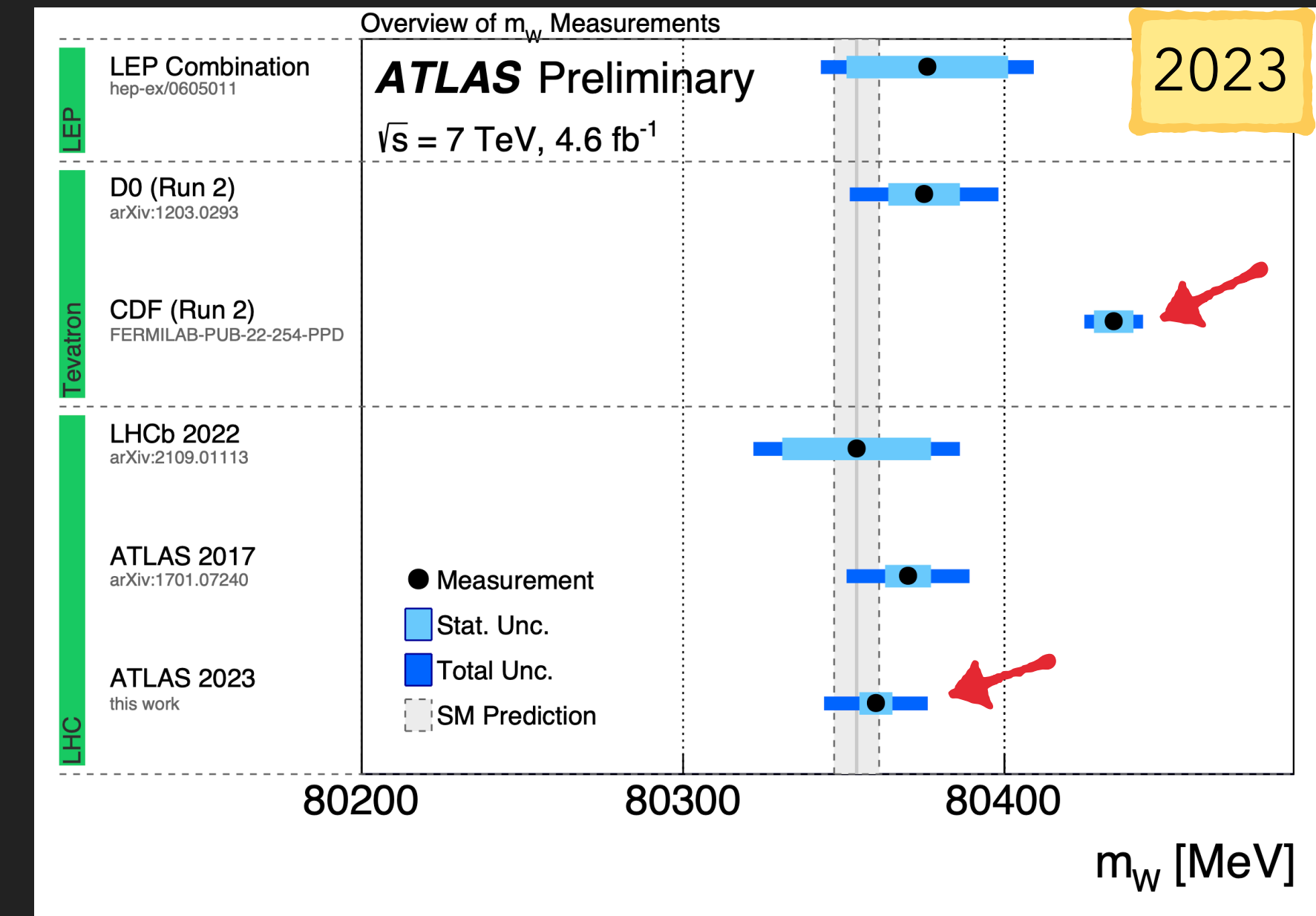
# Precision Measurements



2002

Combination of LEP  
EW Precision measurements  
 $m(H) = 81^{+52}_{-33}$  GeV

LEP Collab.: arXiv:hep-ex/0112021



ATLAS Collab.: ATLAS-CONF-2023-004

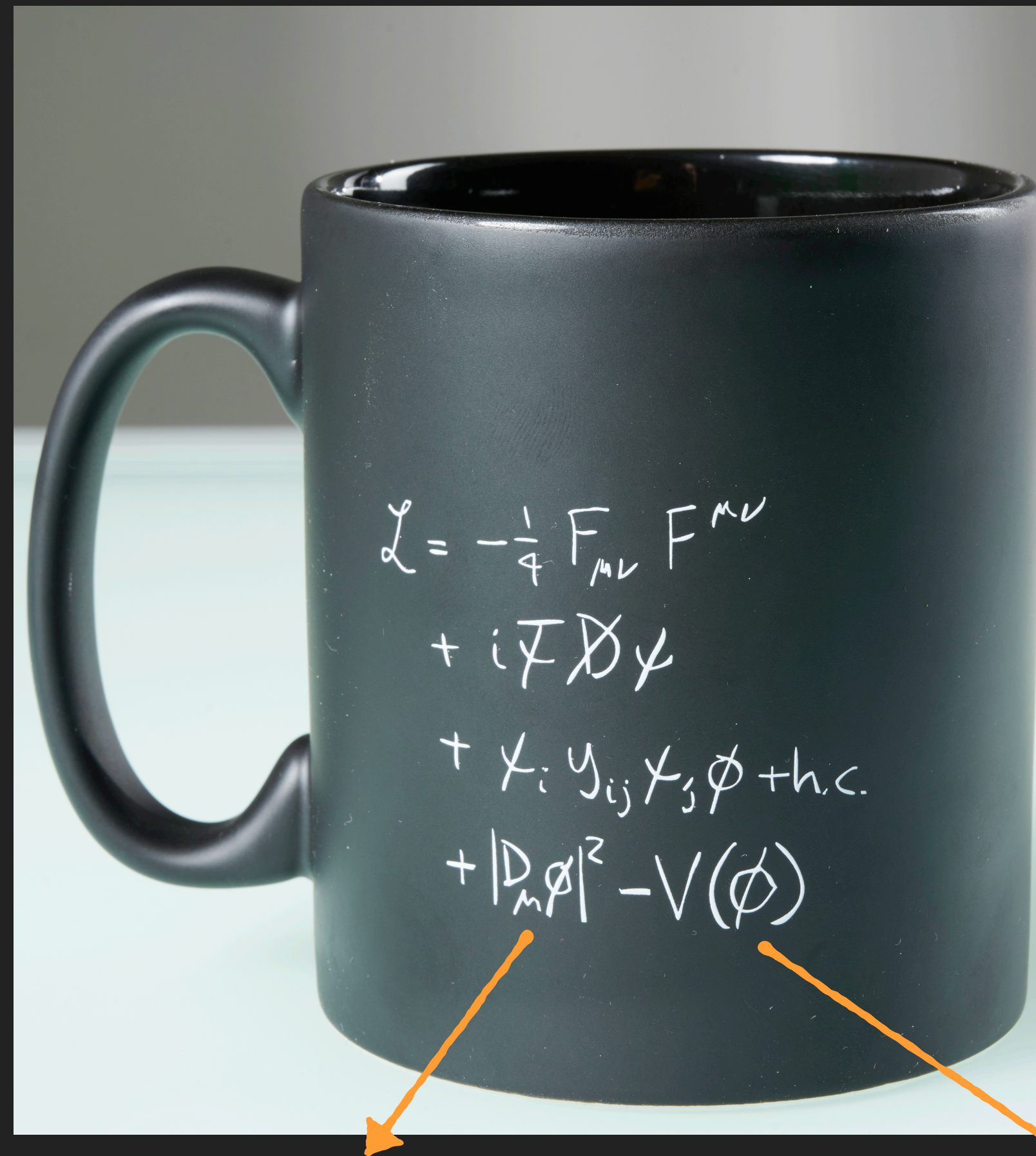
$$\frac{(q/m)_p}{(q/m)_{\bar{p}}} = 1.00000000000003(16)$$

2022

BASE Collab.: Nature 601, 53-57

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Higgs – gauge bosons interactions

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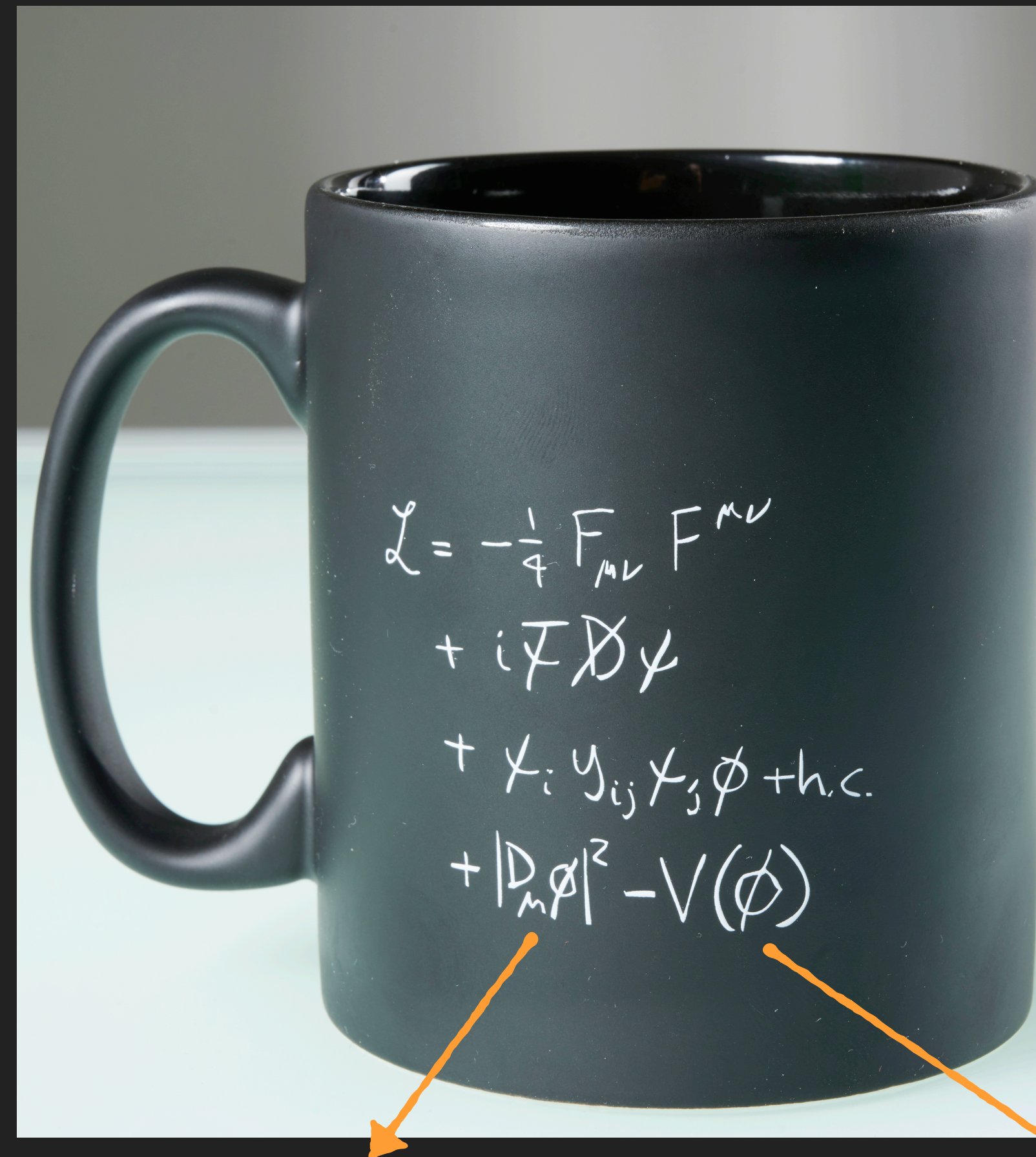
During interactions

$$SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y \rightarrow U(1)_{EM}$$



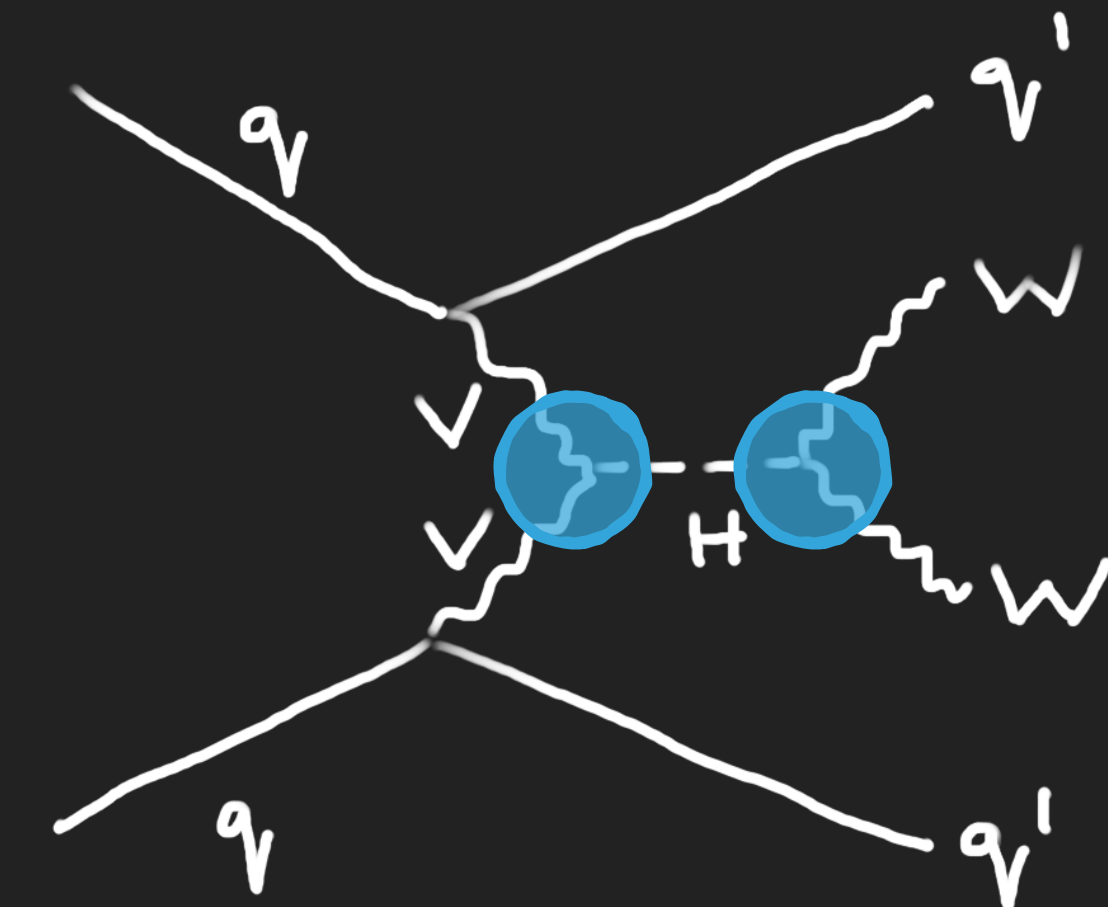
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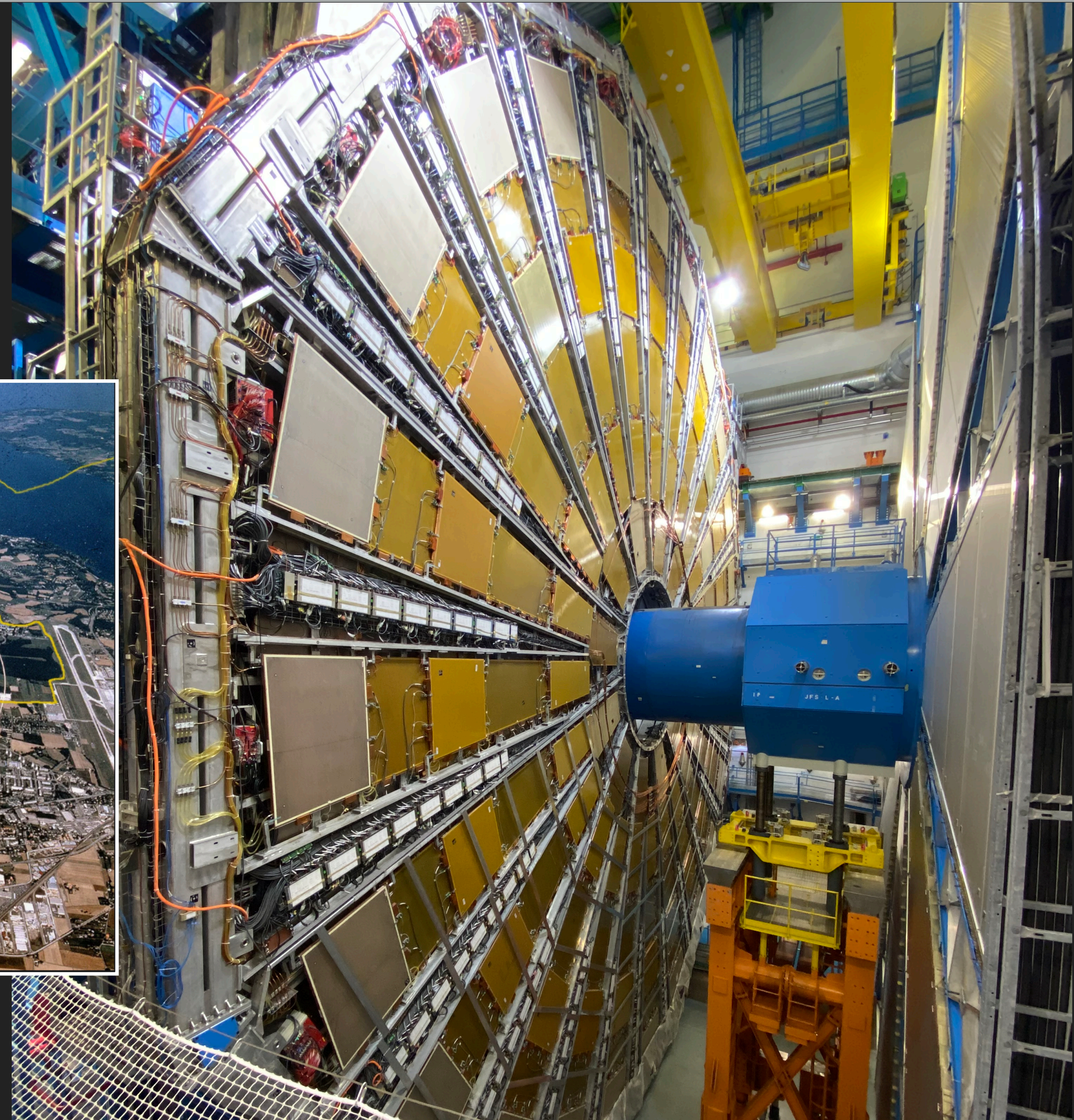
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Vector Boson Fusion  $H \rightarrow WW$ : HVV coupling in production as well as decay

# ATLAS Experiment @ the LHC

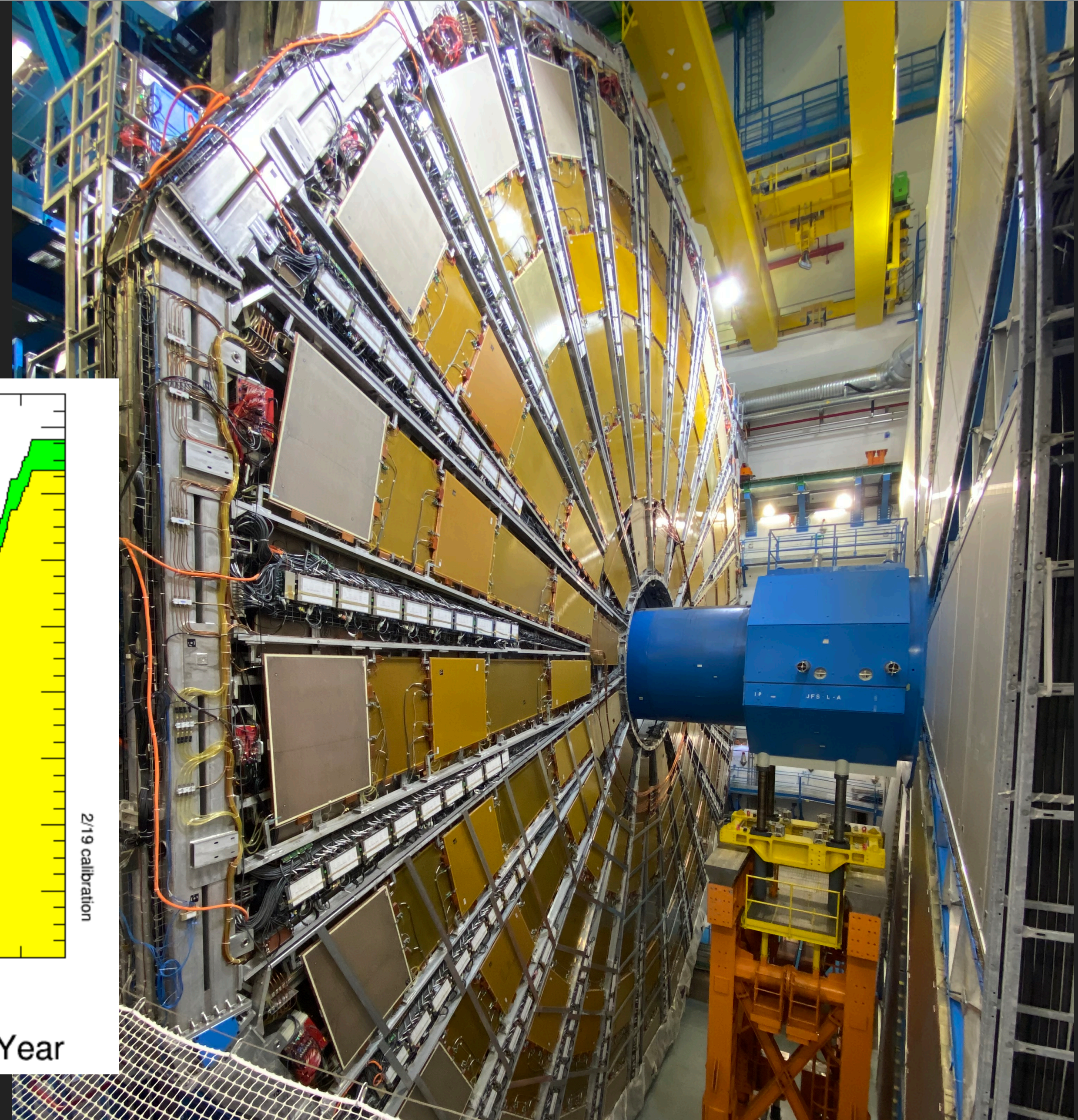
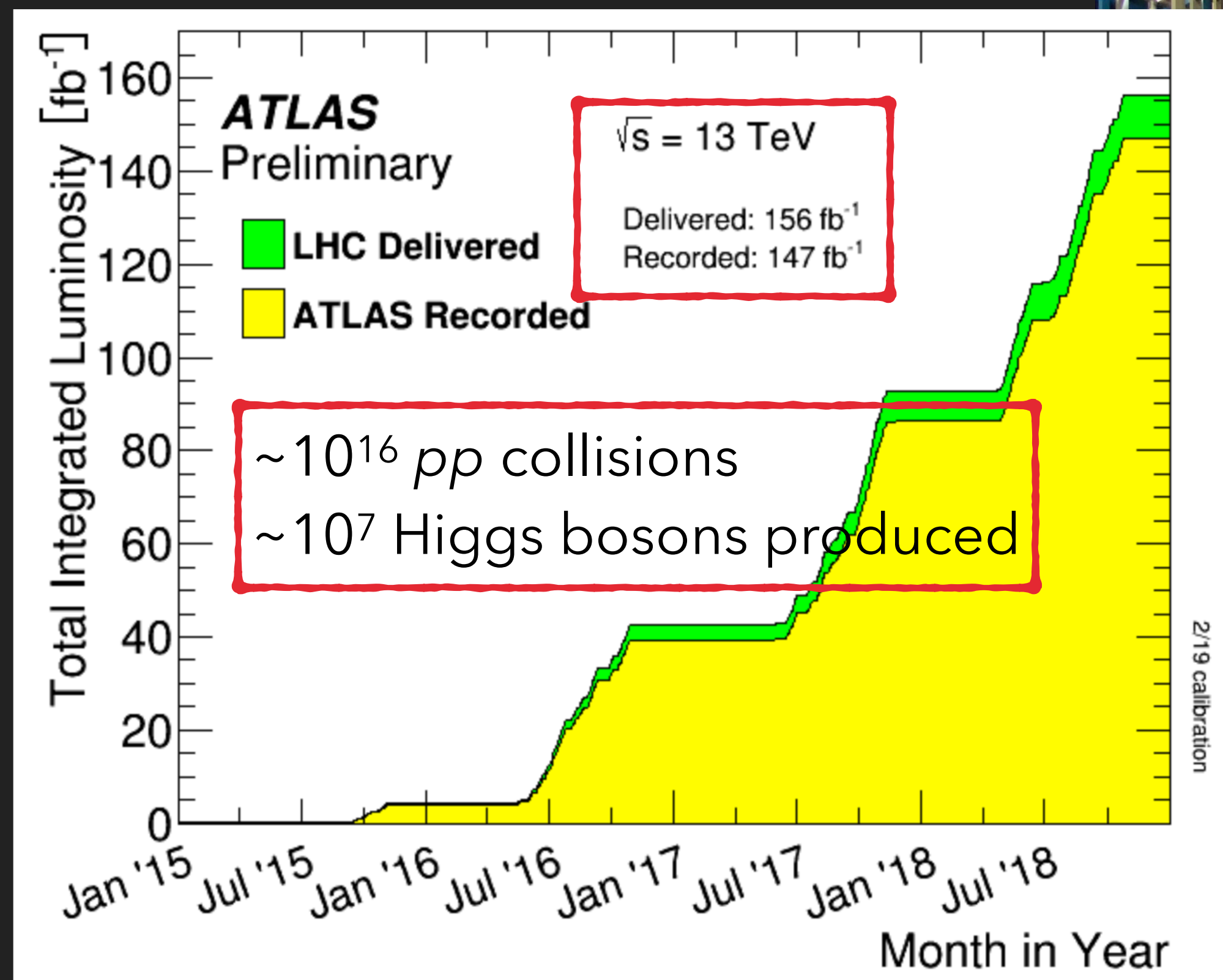
$pp$  collider at  $\sqrt{s} = 13.6$  TeV



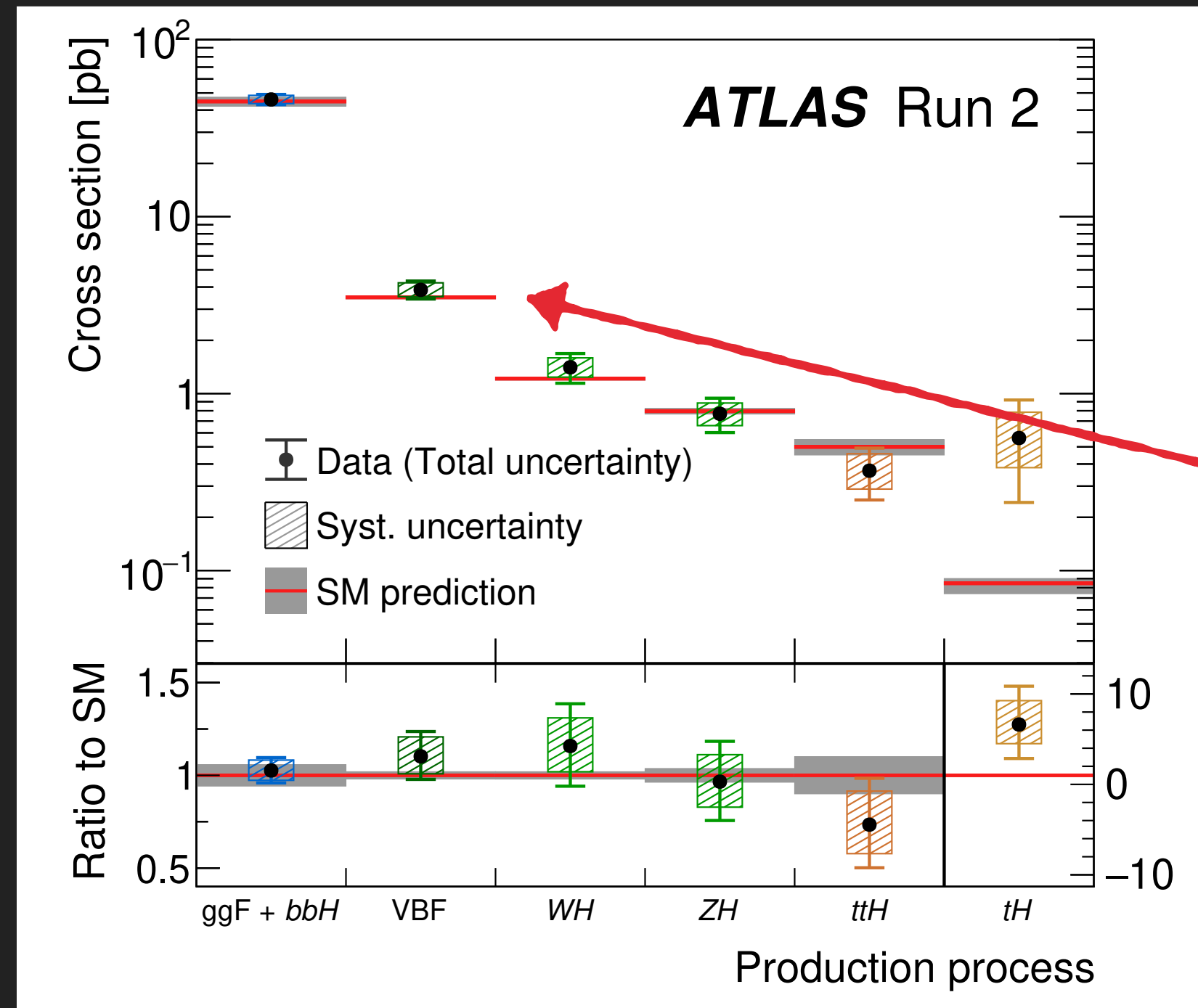
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Run-2:  $\sqrt{s} = 13$  TeV

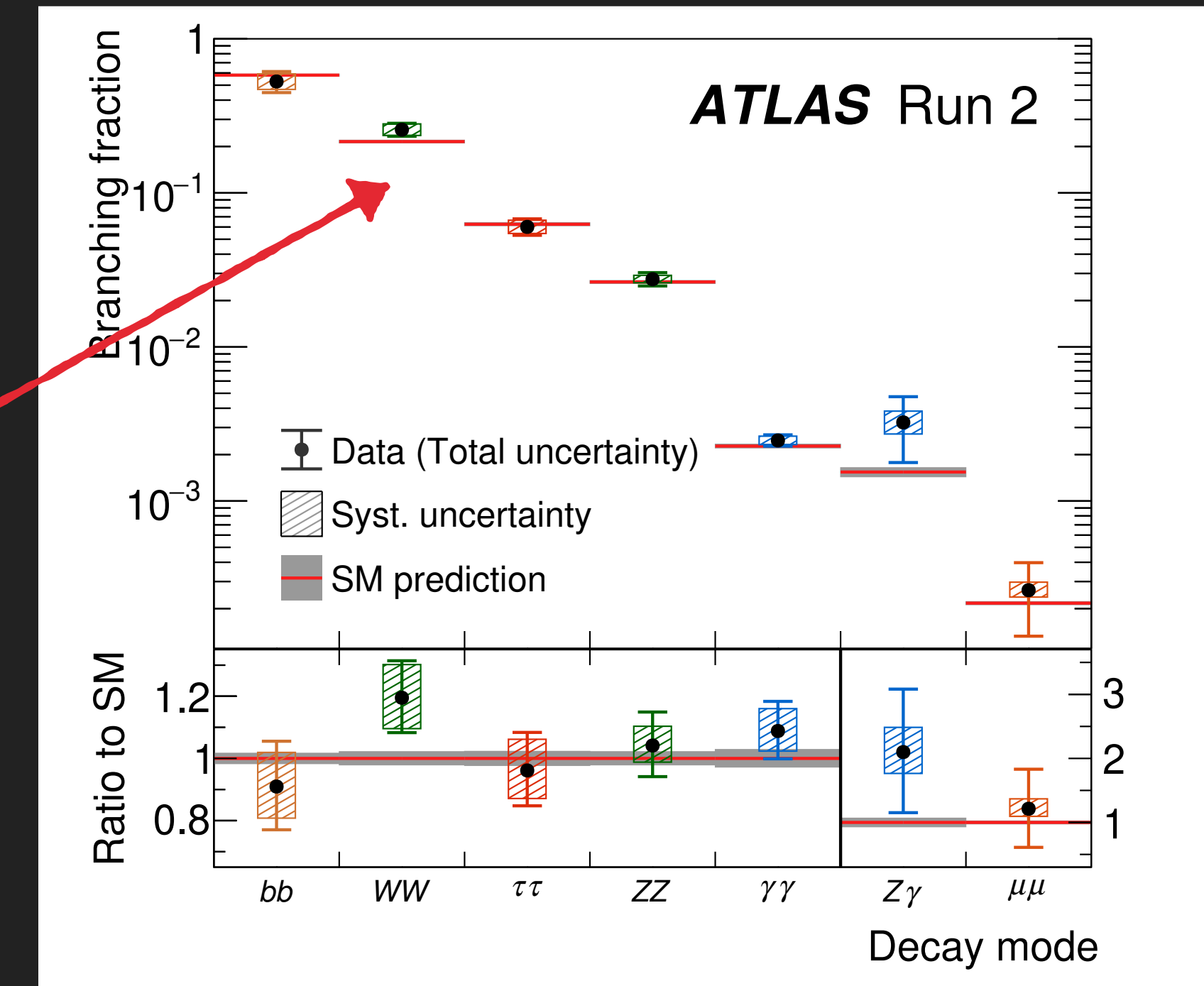
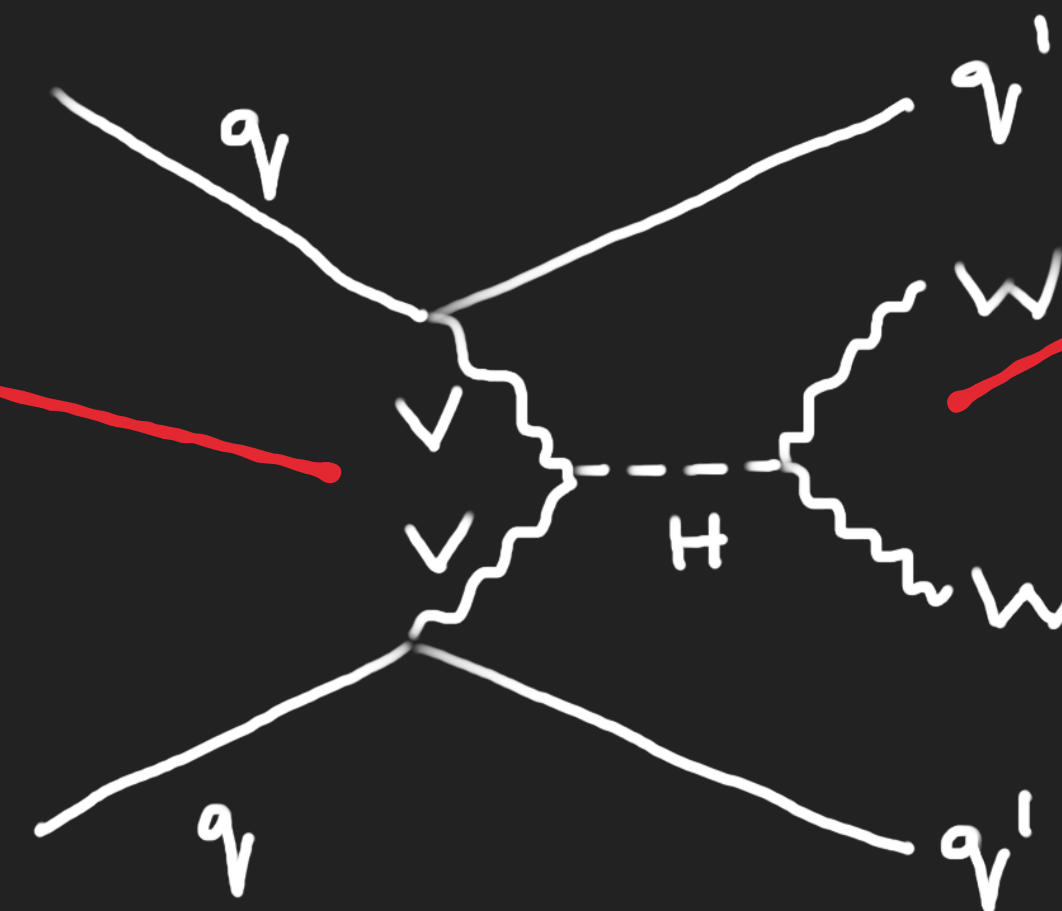
Data collected b/w 2015-2018



# VBF $H \rightarrow WW$ at ATLAS



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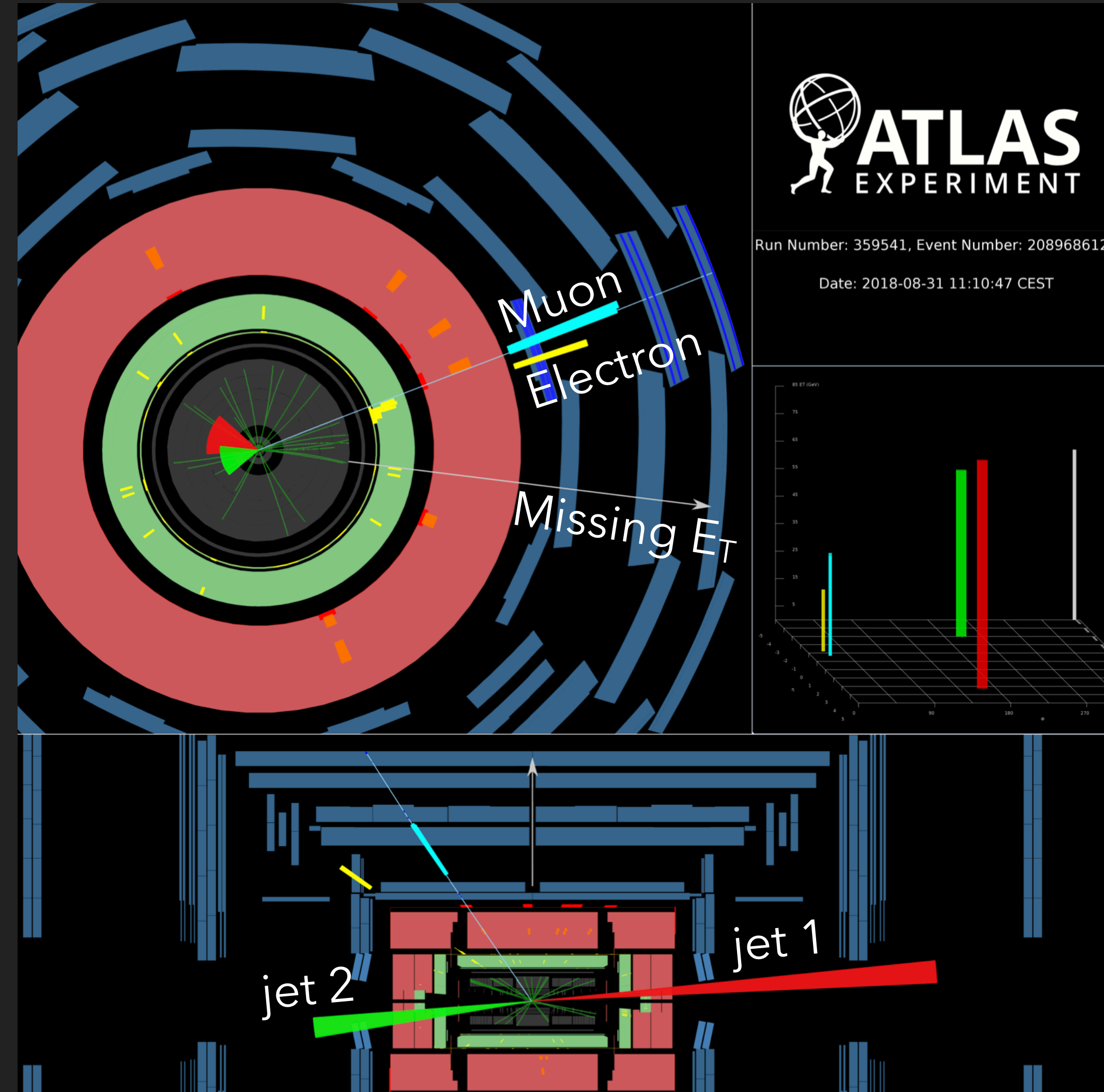
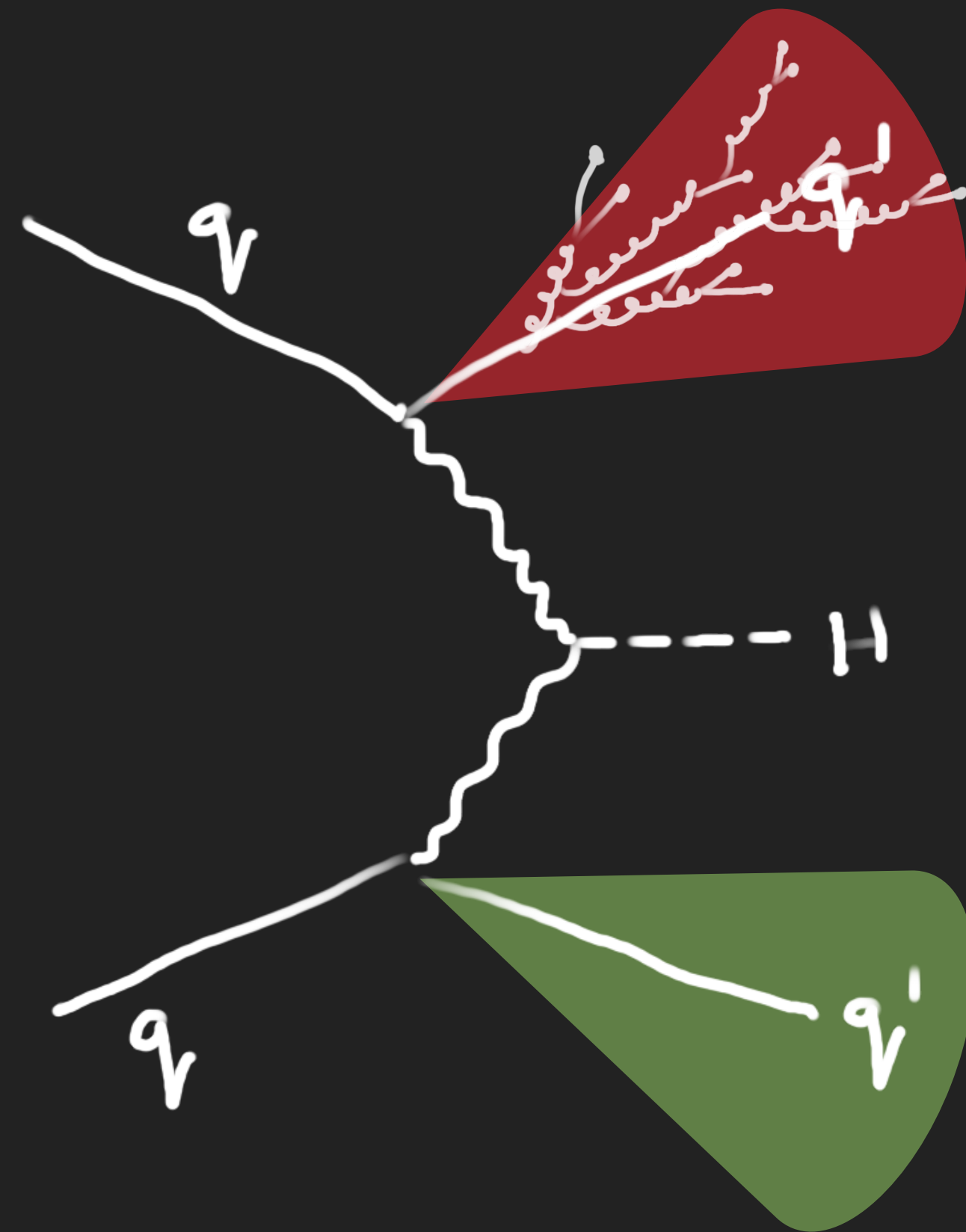
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$$N_{\text{events}} = \sigma_{\text{VBF}} \cdot \text{BR}_{H \rightarrow WW} \cdot \mathcal{L}_{\text{Run-2}} \cdot W \text{ decay choice} = \mathcal{O}(1000)$$

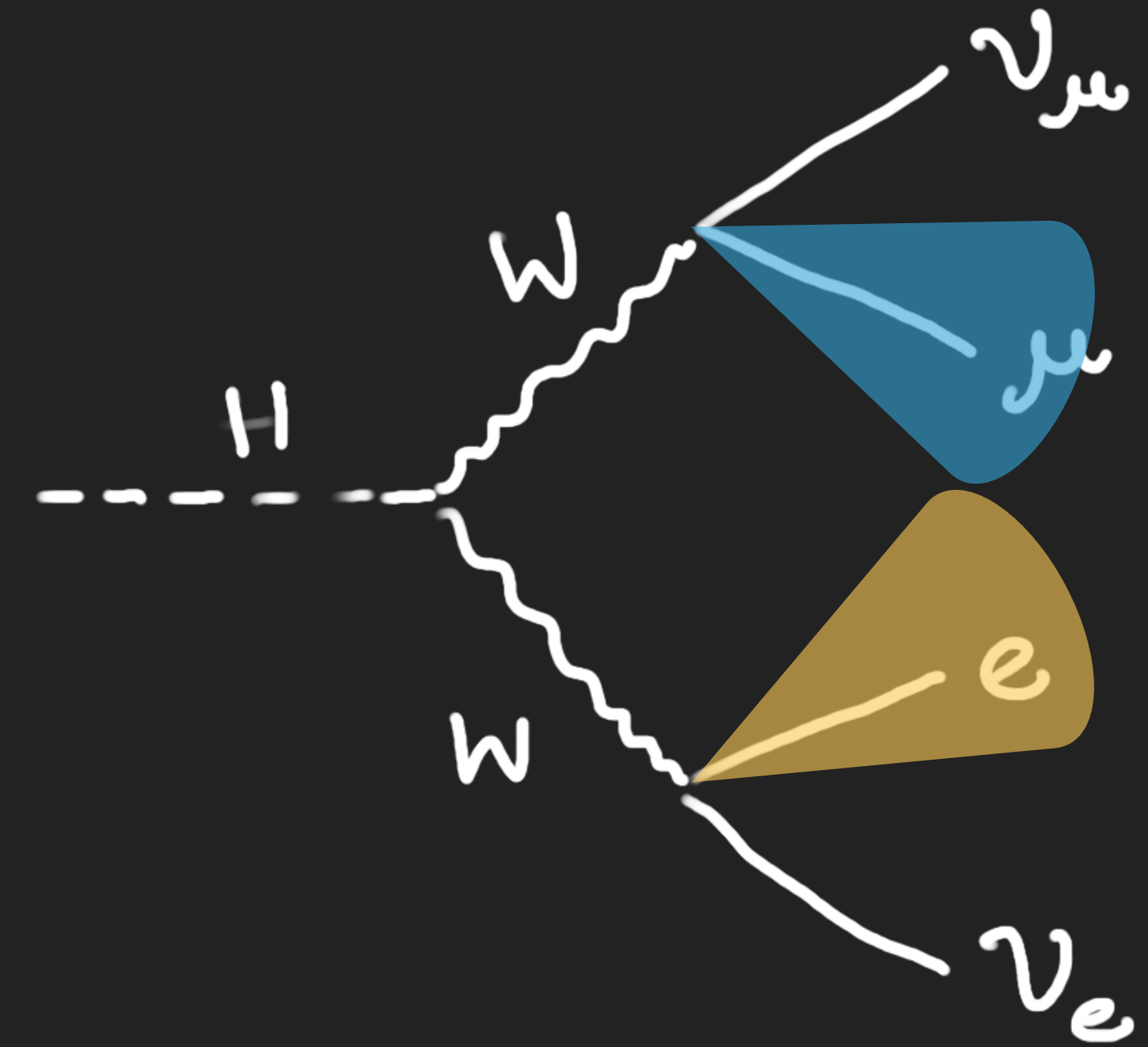
Within the statistical reach for differential measurements

# Signal Signature

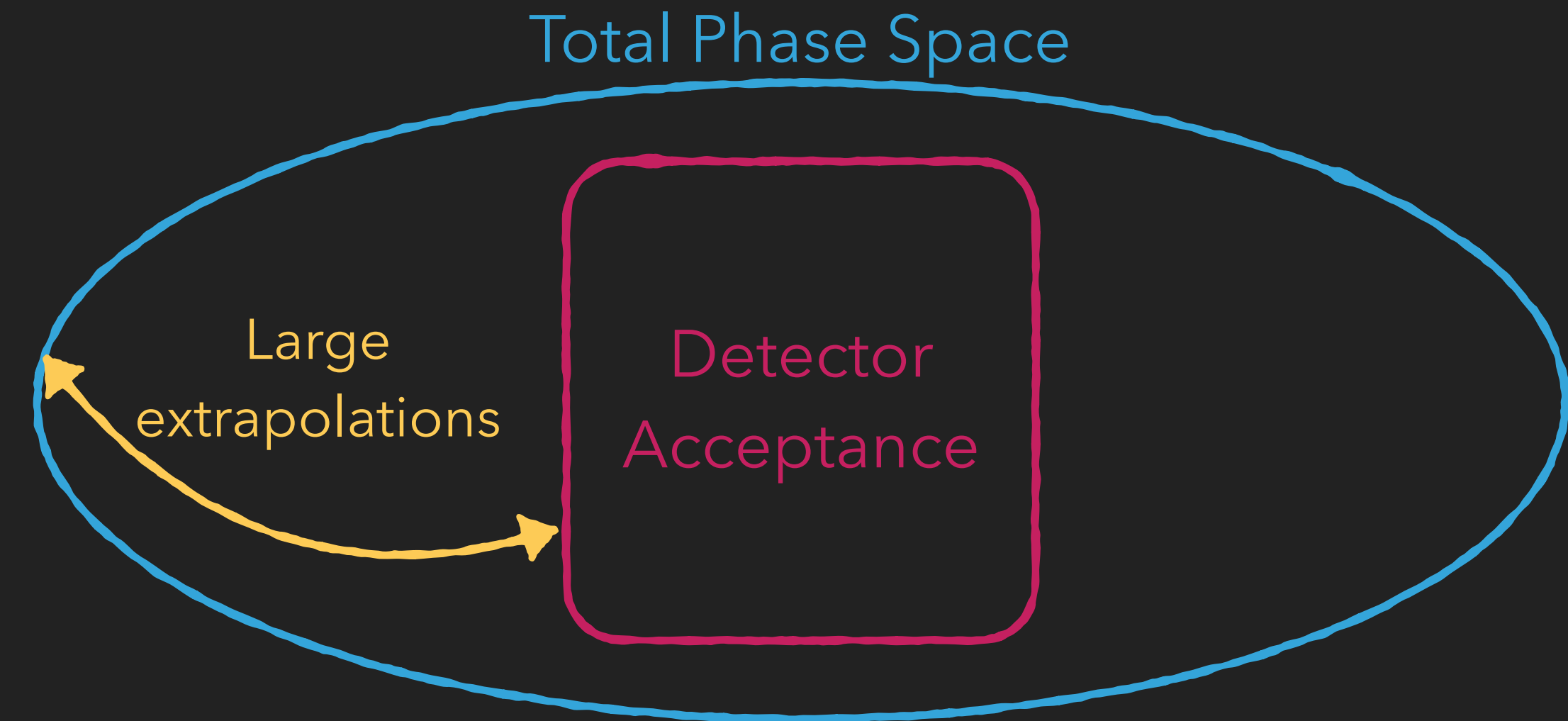
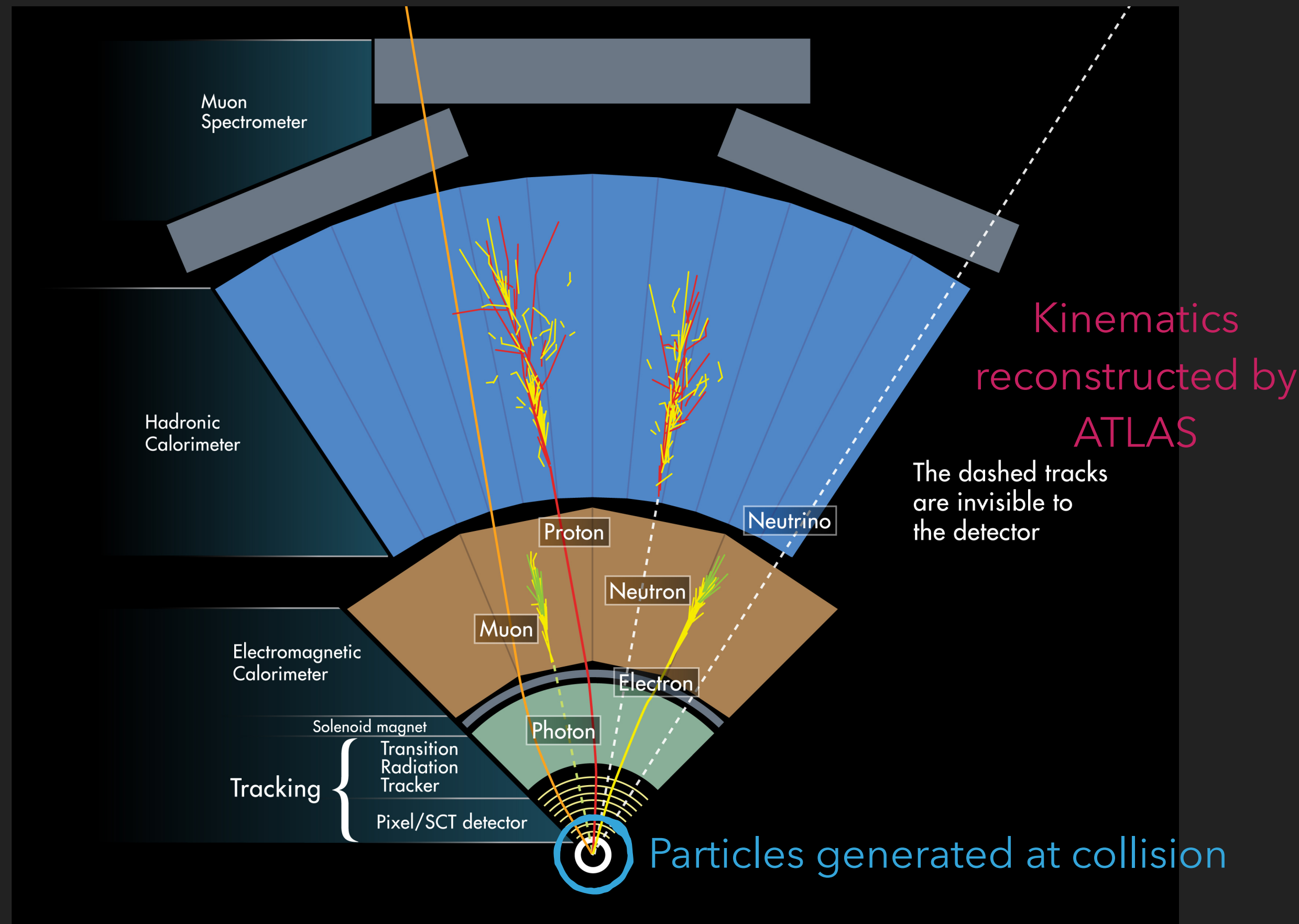
2 highly energetic, separated **jets** with no high energy jet activity between them



Decay products have a small opening angle



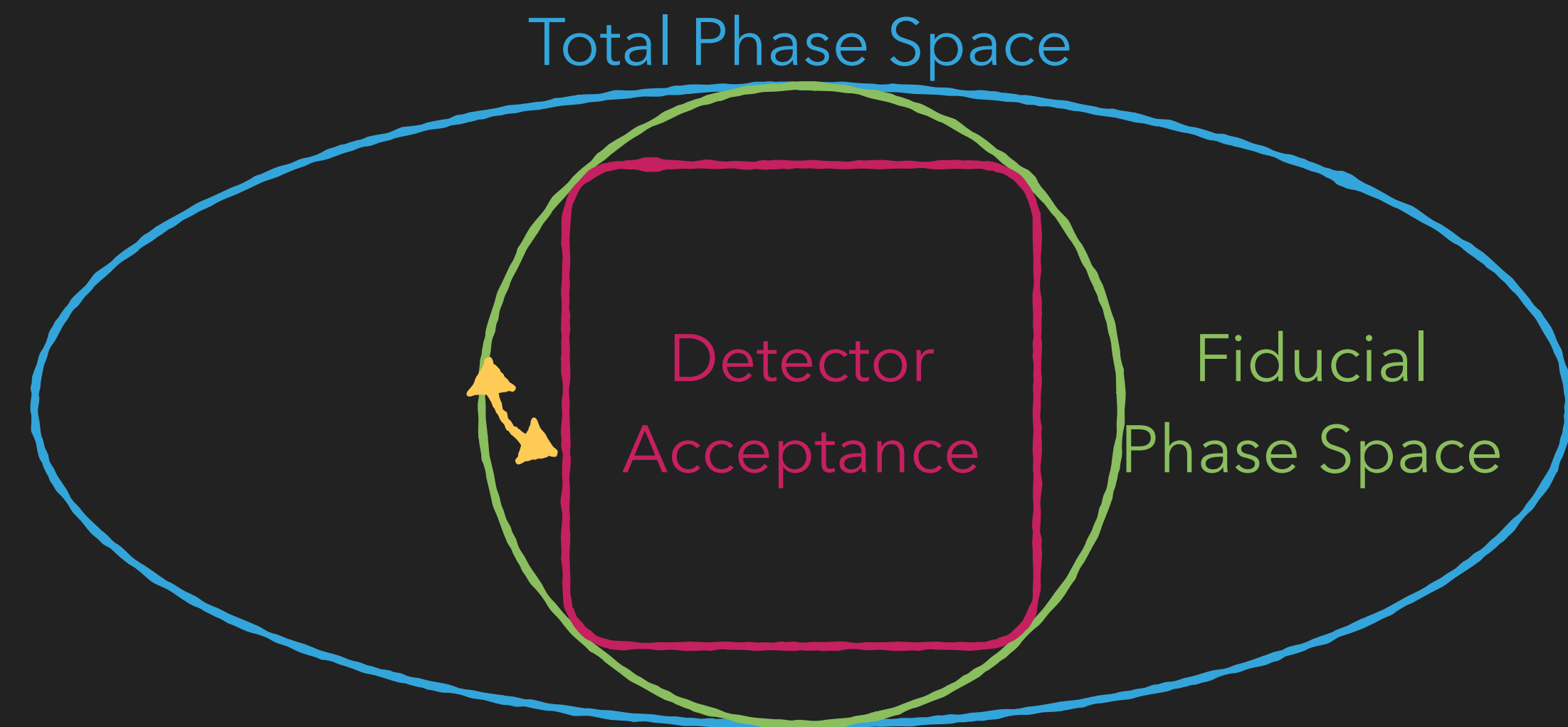
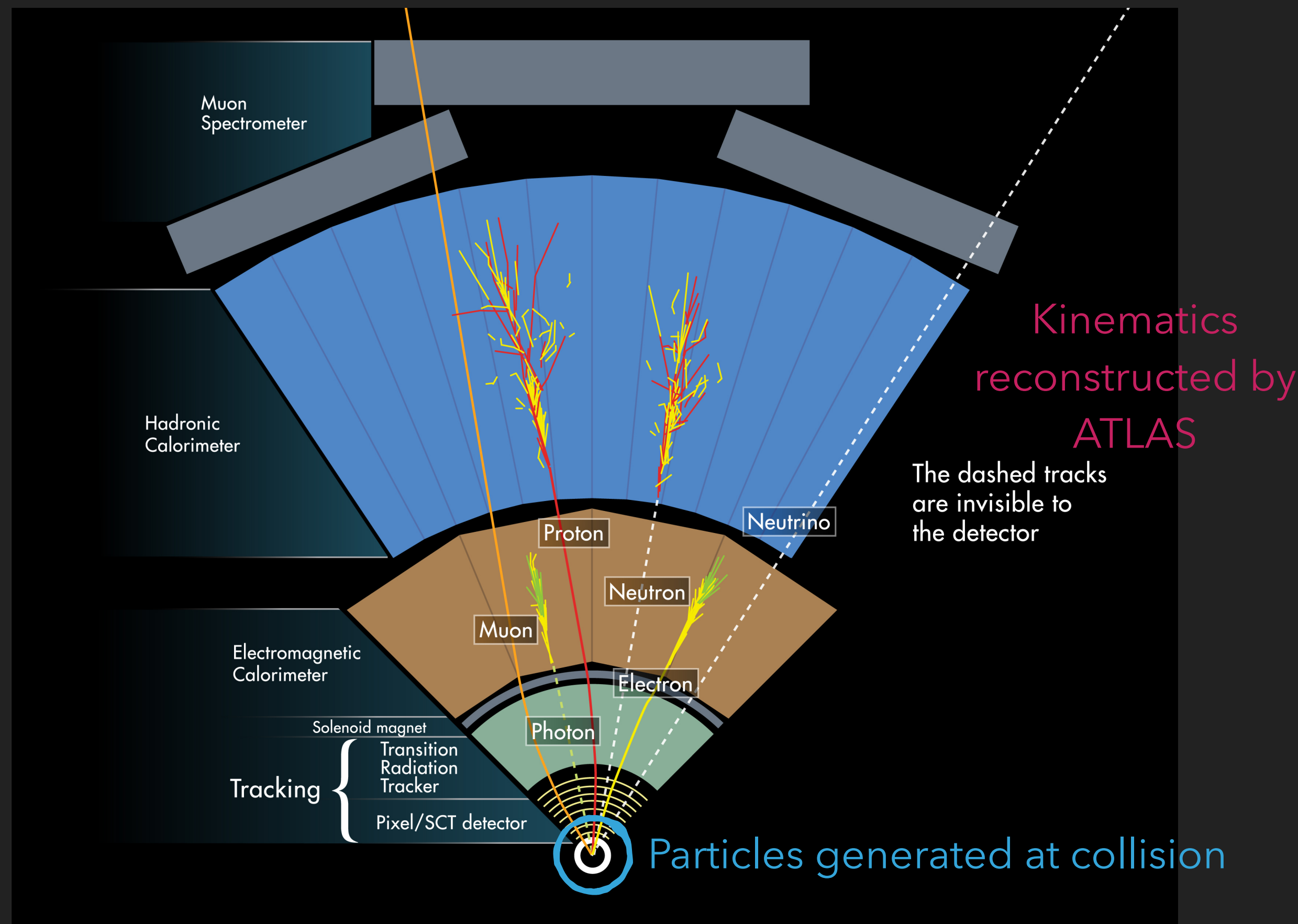
# Fiducial Phase Space



Measurements *lossy*: finite resolution,  $< 100\%$  kinematic acceptance, kinematic cuts to isolate signal

Using Monte Carlo to go from the measured space to the total space adds large extrapolations due to limitations in the event generator and parton shower models

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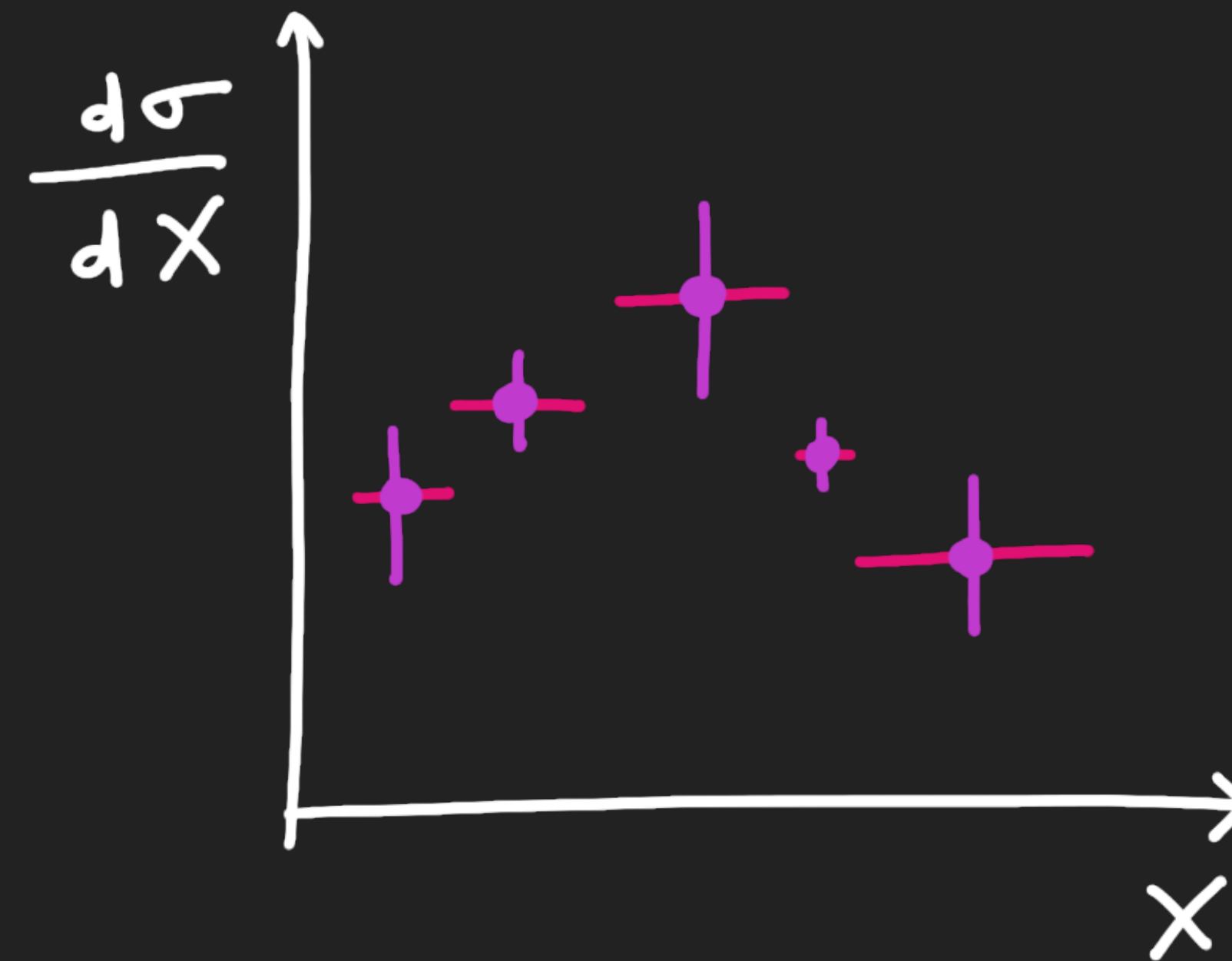
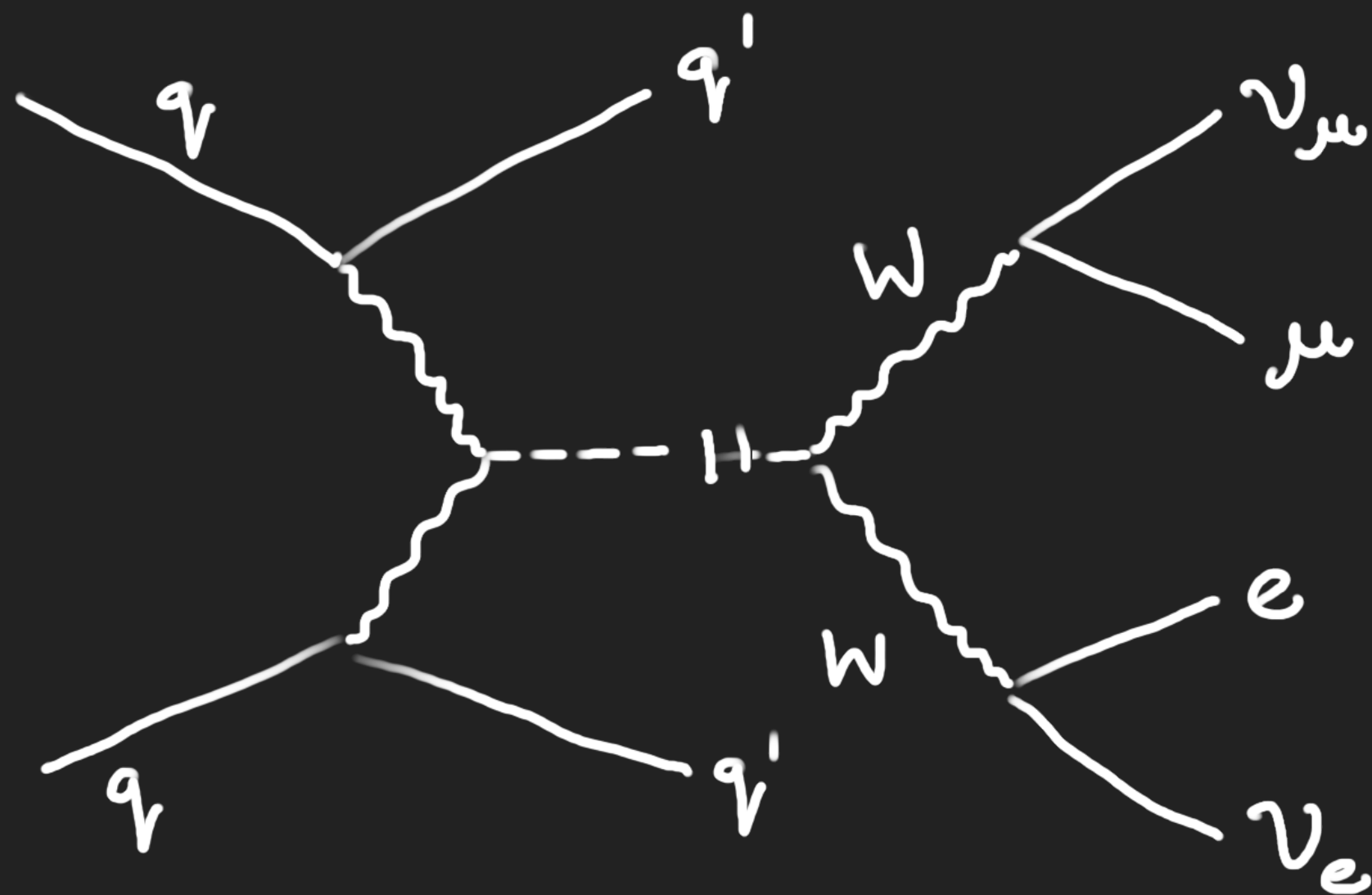
**Fiducial** region: defined by kinematics of particle-level final states close to detector level definition

Minimal extrapolations from the detector phase space to the fiducial.

Fiducial cross sections are the **most model independent way** to make measurements

# Analysis Goals

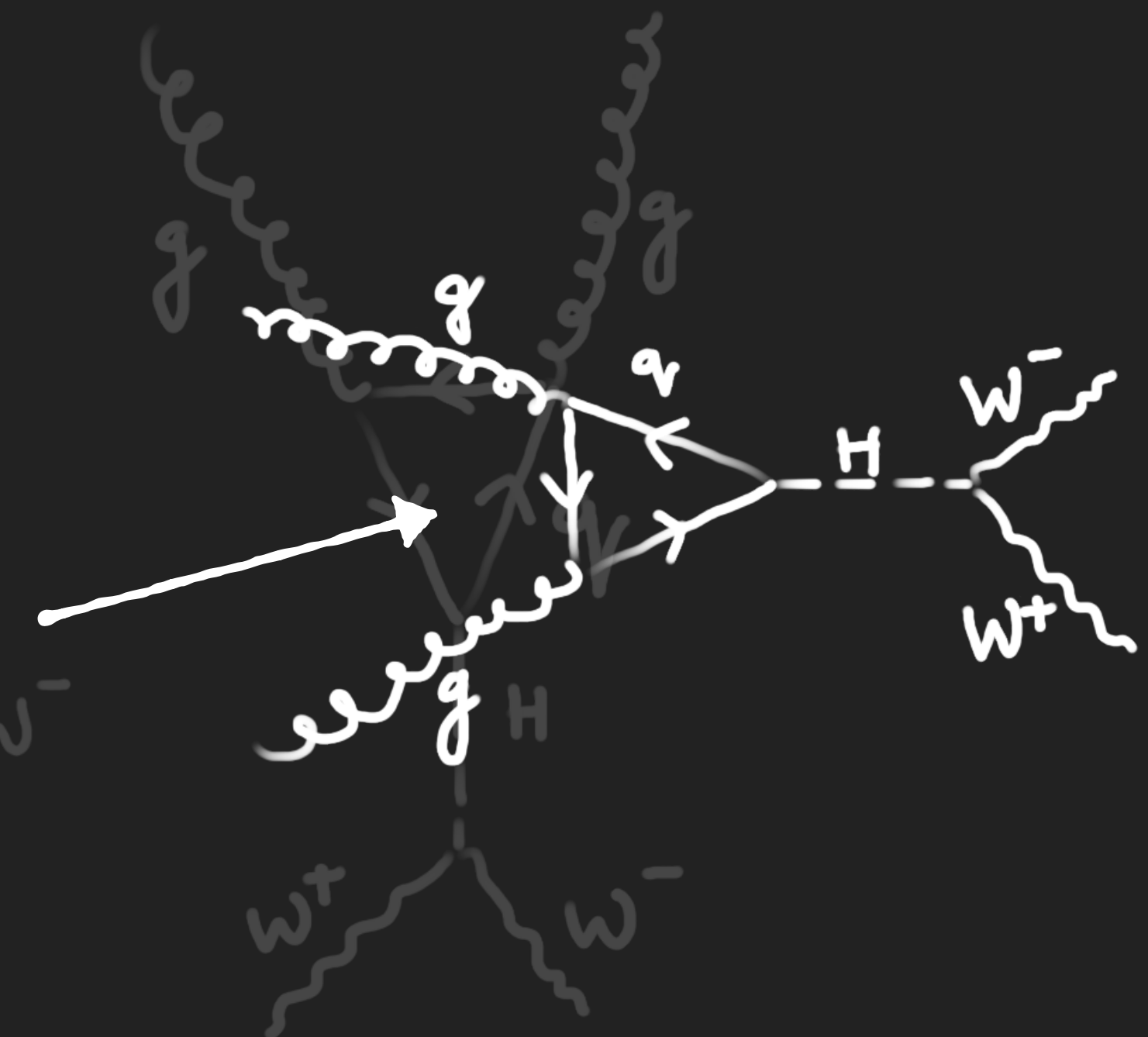
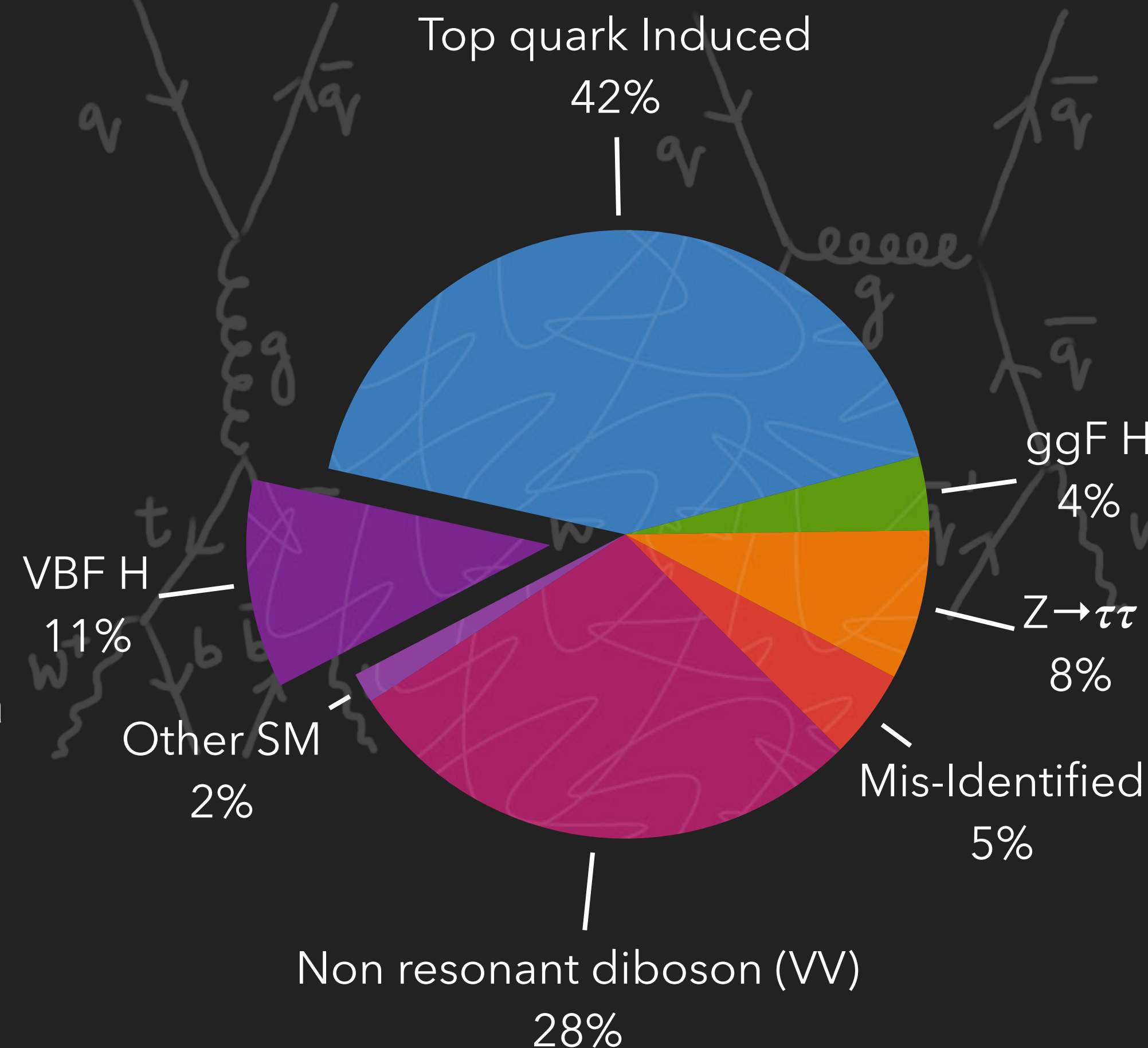
- ▶ **Differential** fiducial cross-section of VBF production of Higgs in the  $WW (\rightarrow \mu + e + E_T^{\text{miss}}) + 2\text{jets}$  final state
- ▶ Remove detector effects: go from the measurement phase space to the fiducial phase space. Report cross-section as functions of particle-level kinematics.
- ▶ Interpret the measurements to search for anomalous couplings of the Higgs boson



# Analysis Challenges

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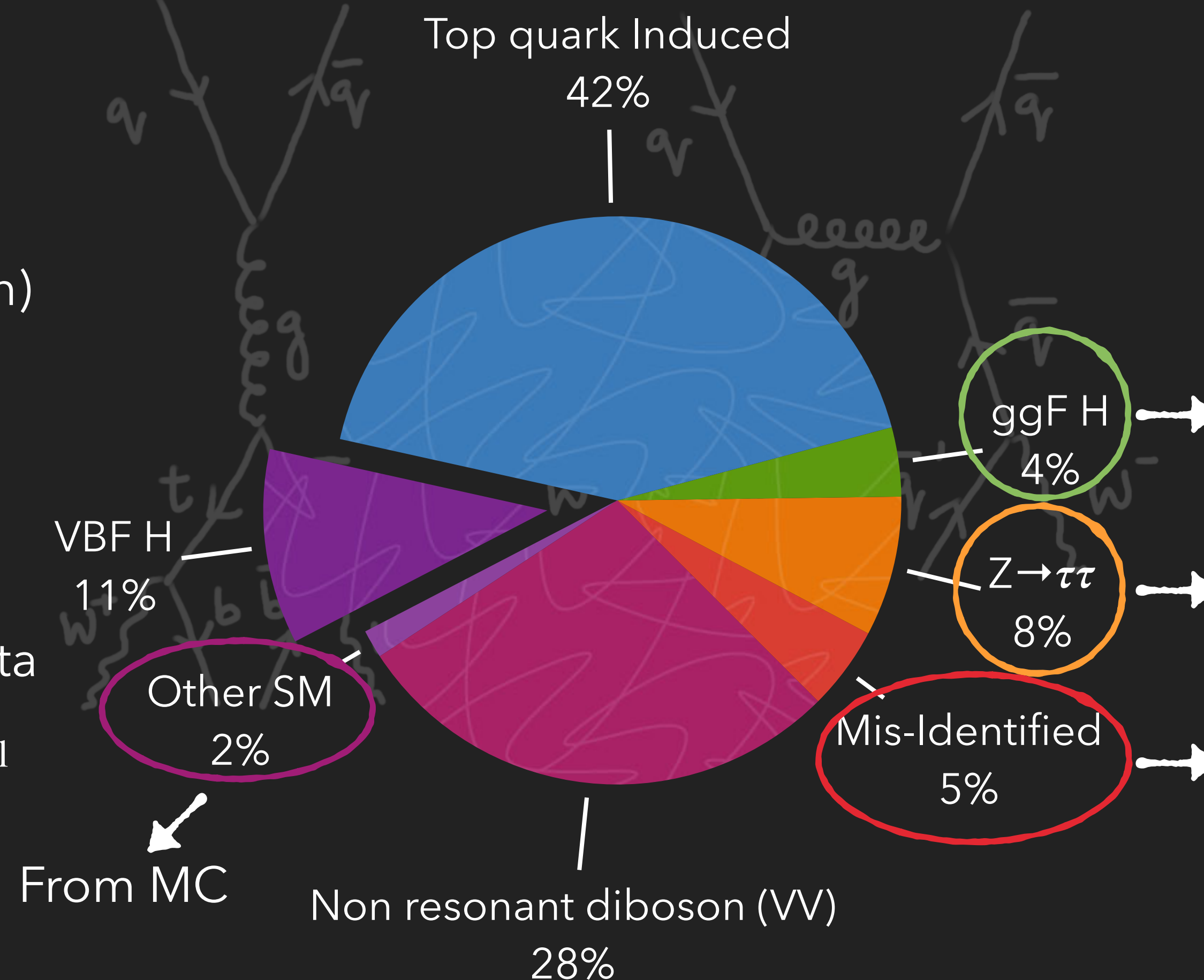
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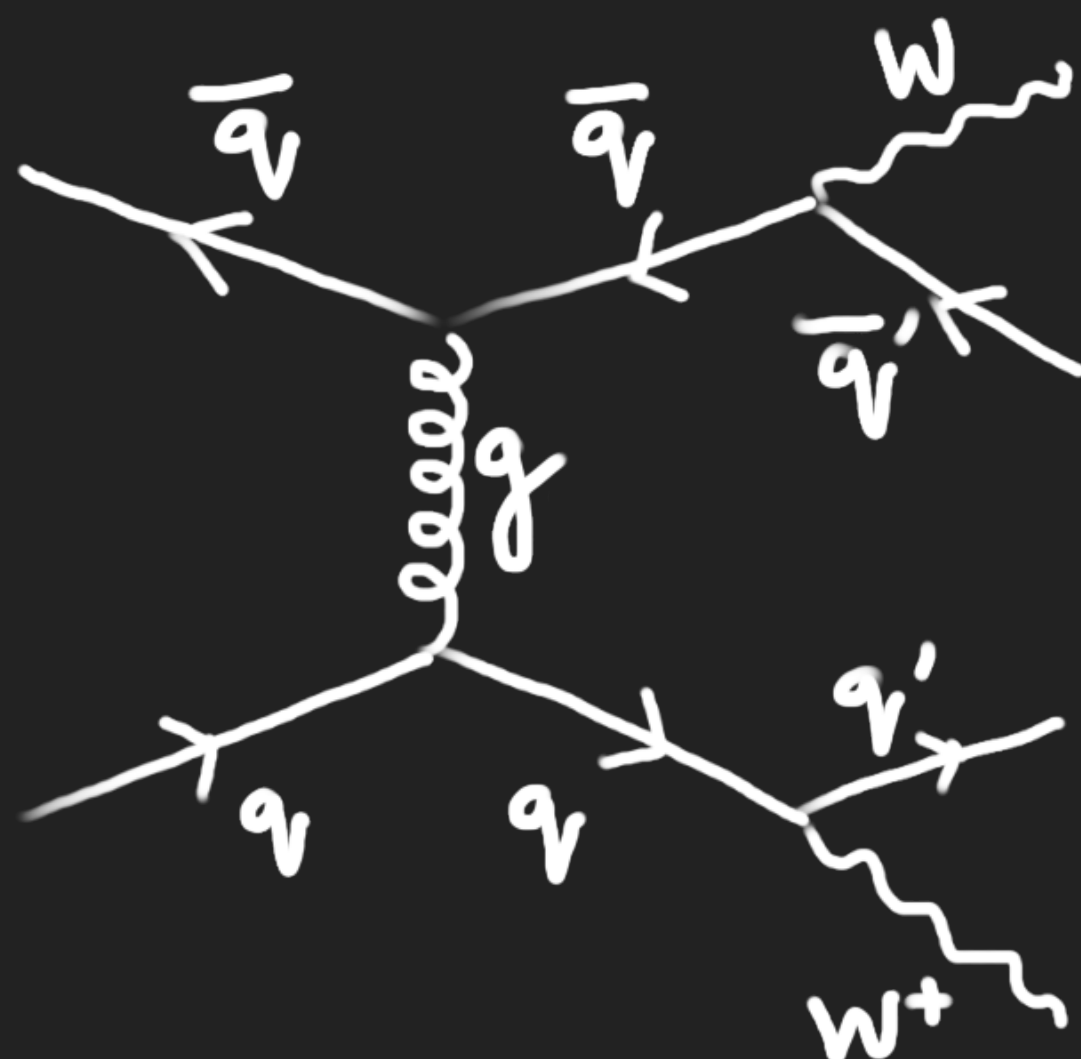
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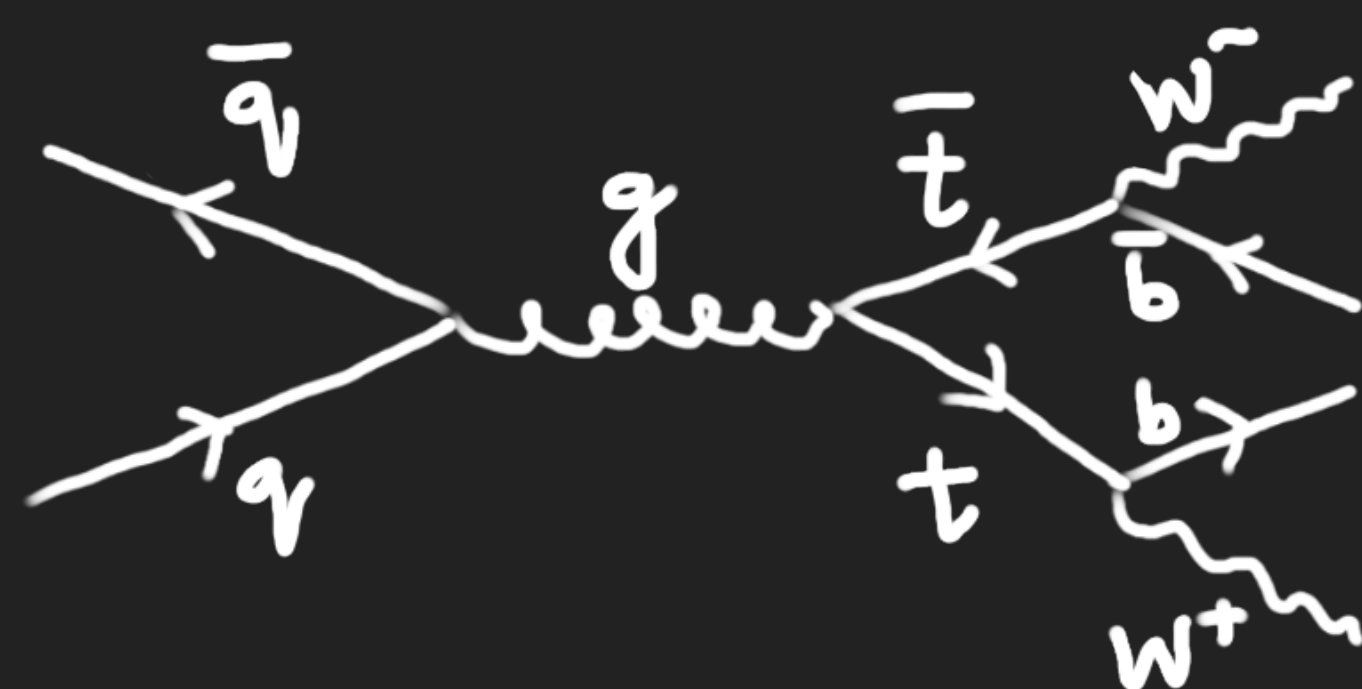
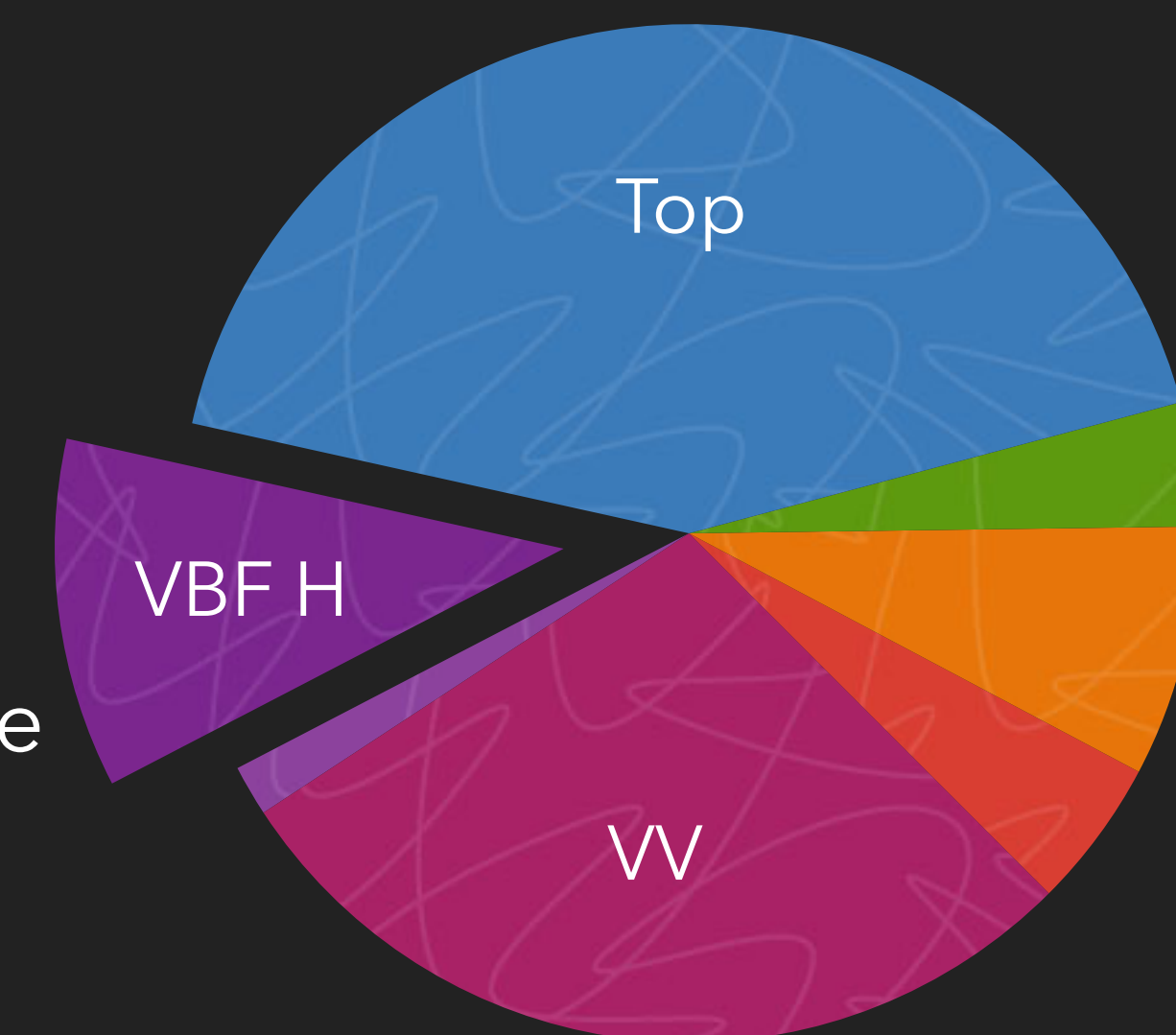


- Define Control Regions orthogonal to the SR to isolate backgrounds
- CR allows data-driven estimation of background contamination in the SR

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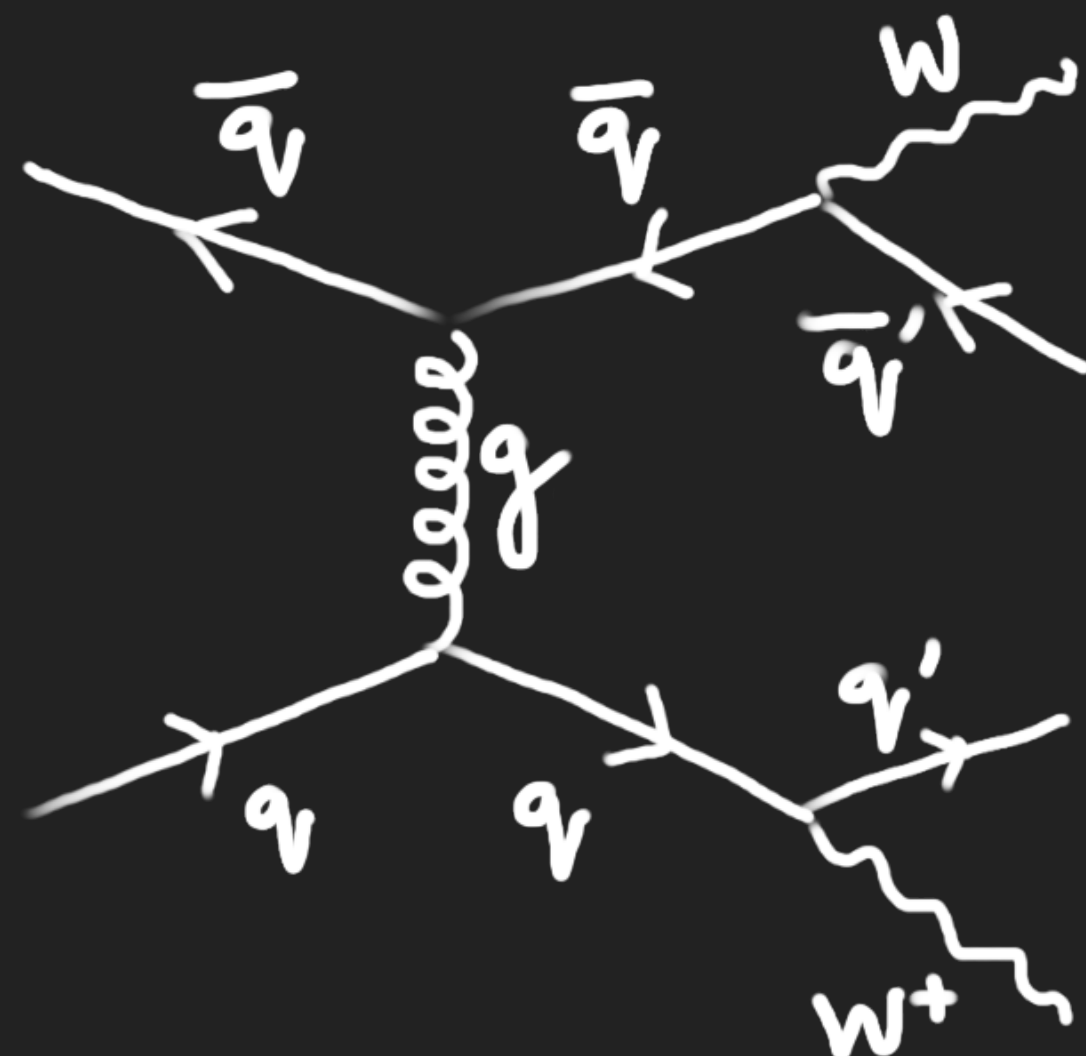


BACKGROUND RICH PHASE SPACE

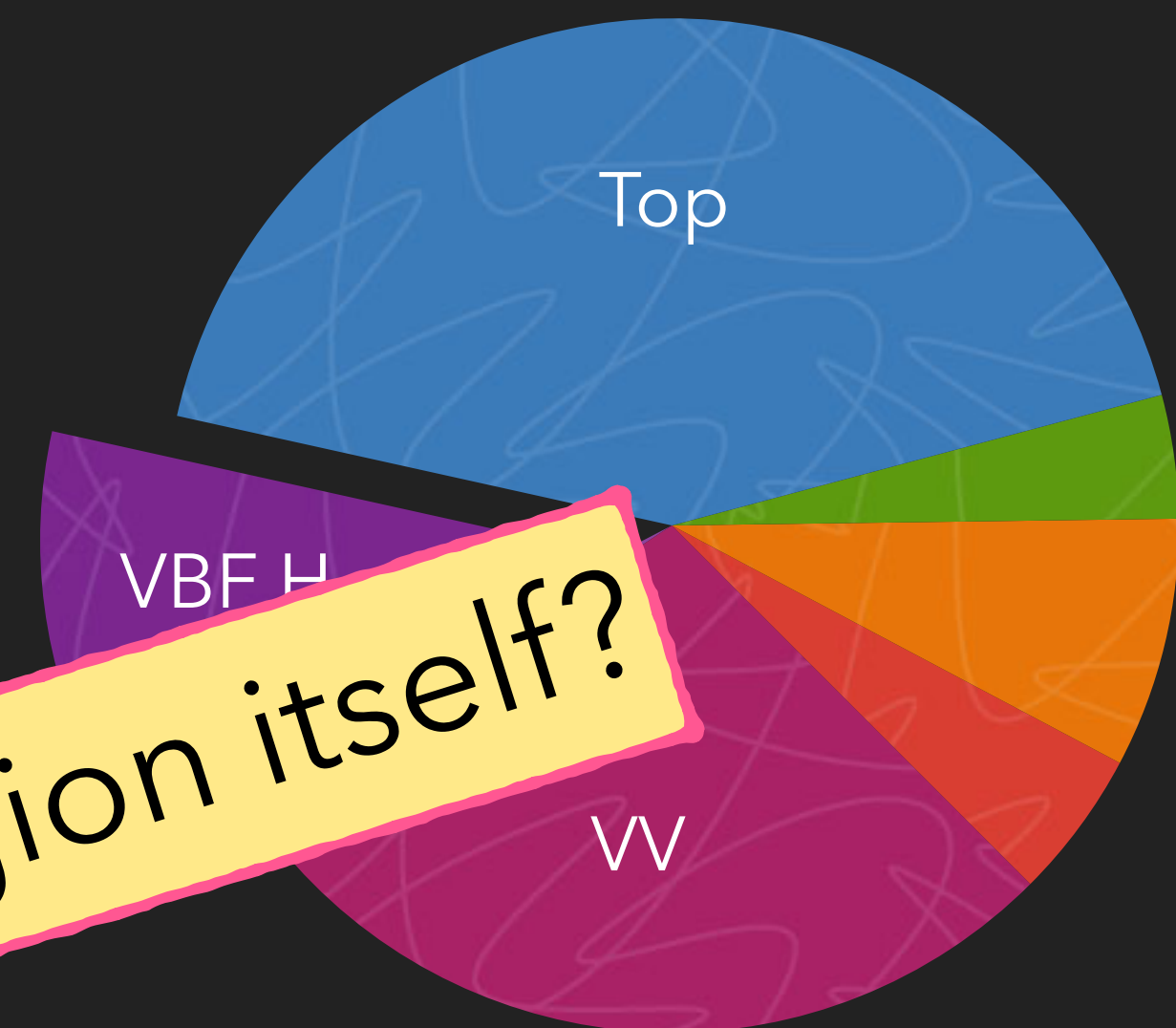
VBF BOUND PHASE SPACE

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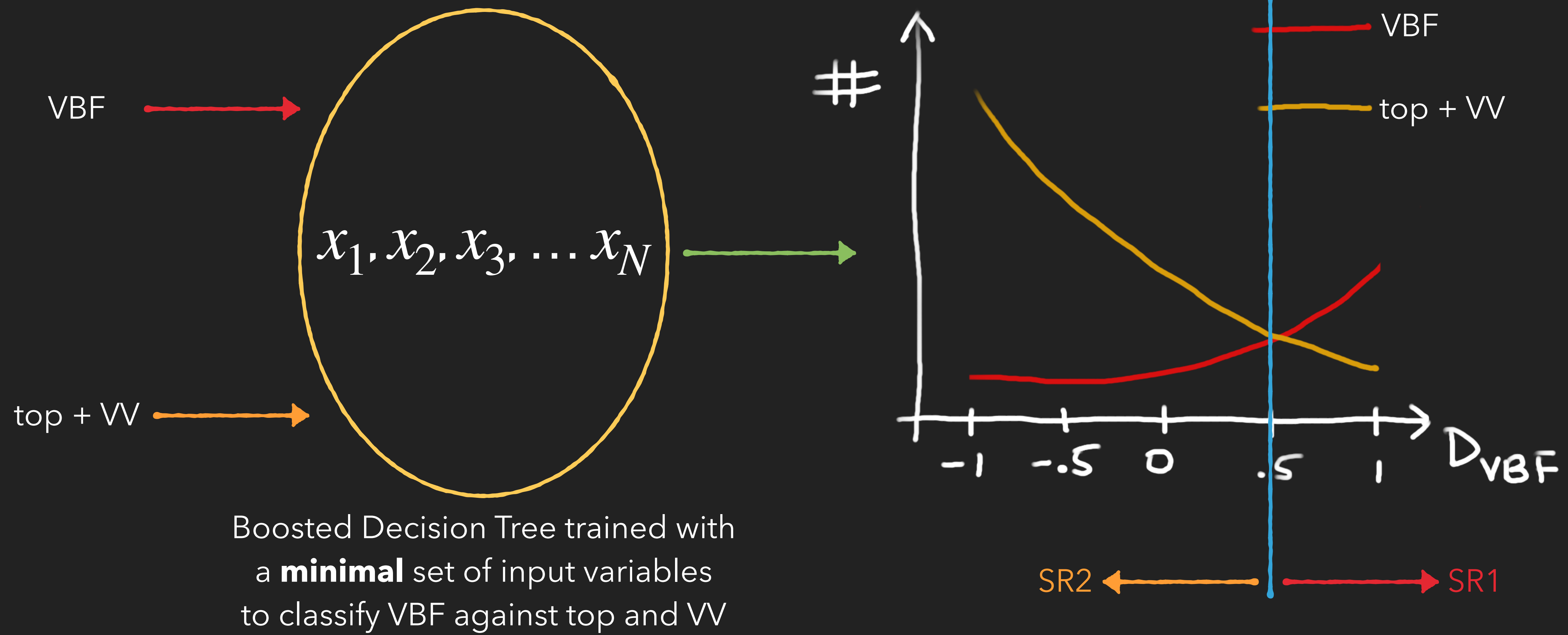
Can we estimate these from the Signal Region itself?



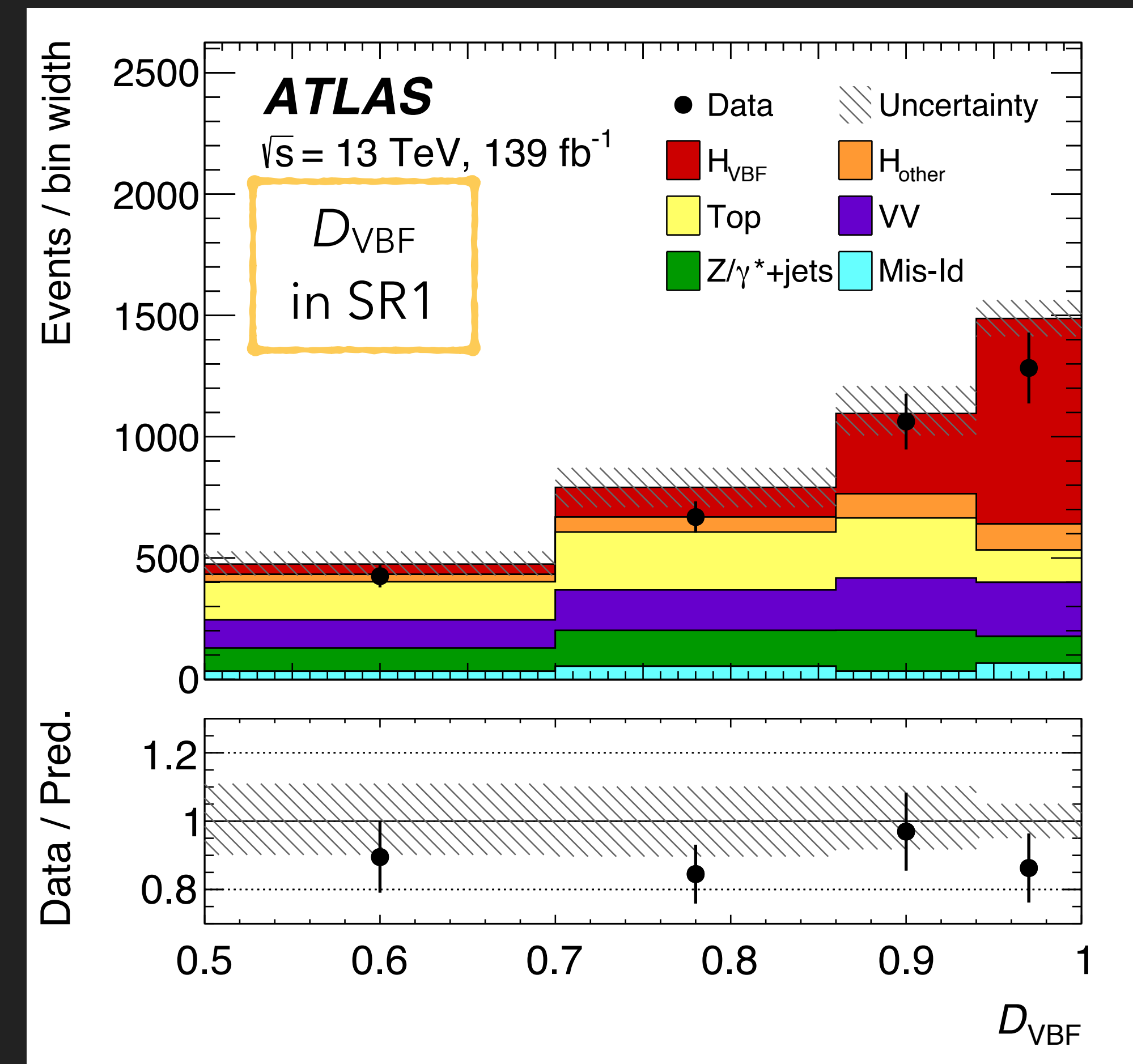
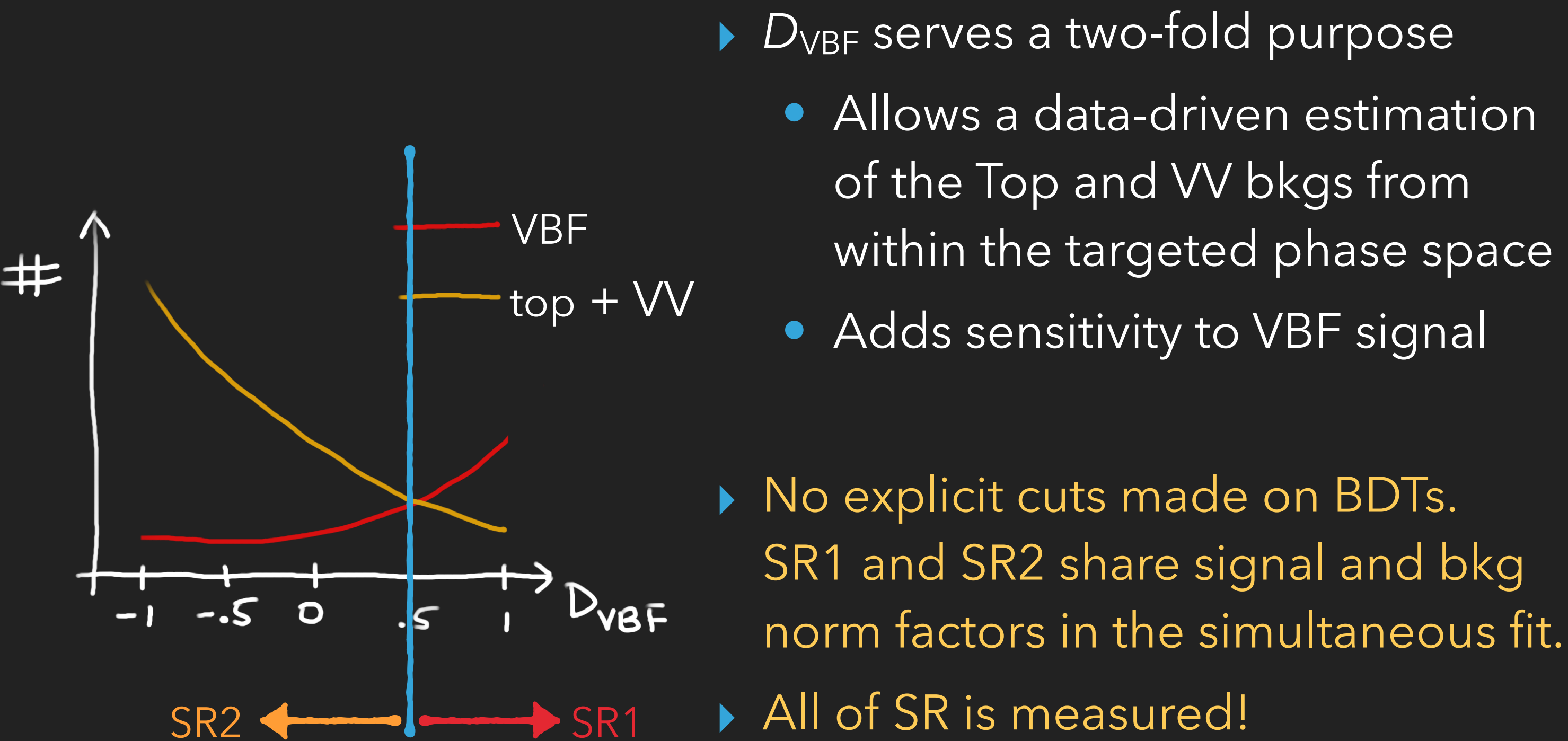
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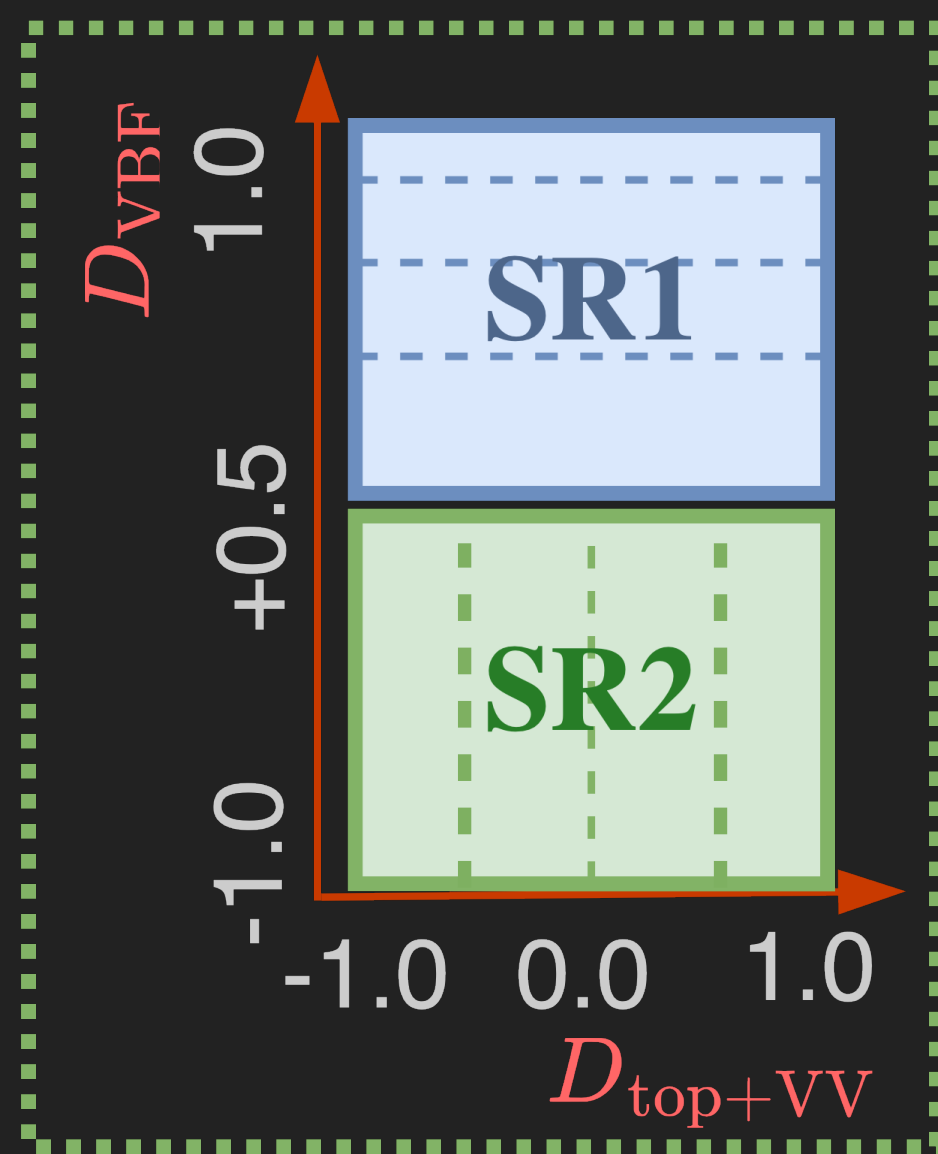


# Signal Sensitivity



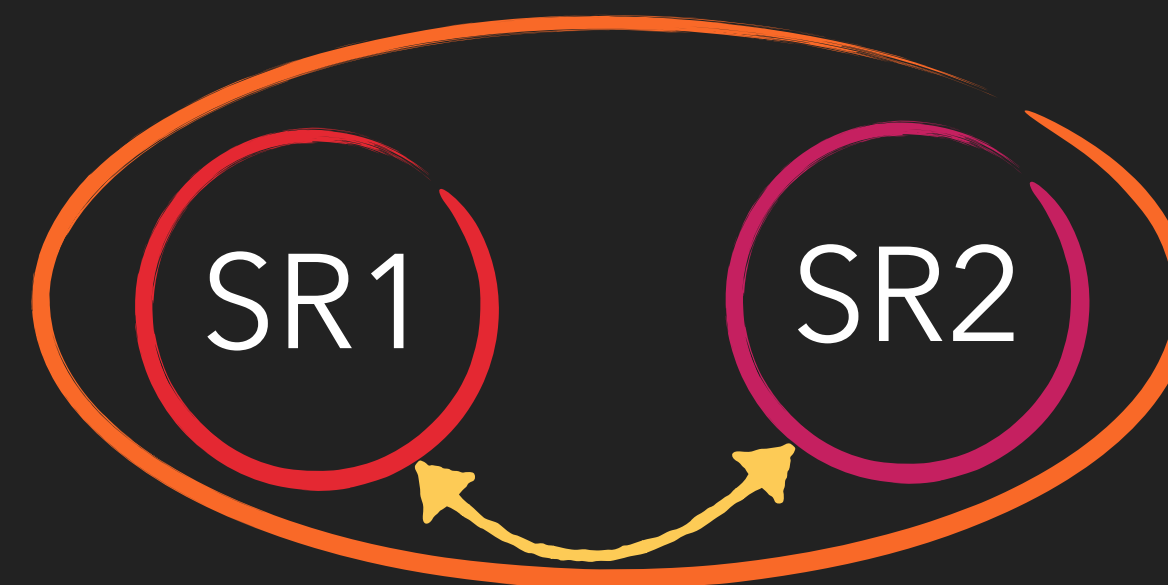
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$D_{VBF}$  - VBF signal  
against Top+VV.

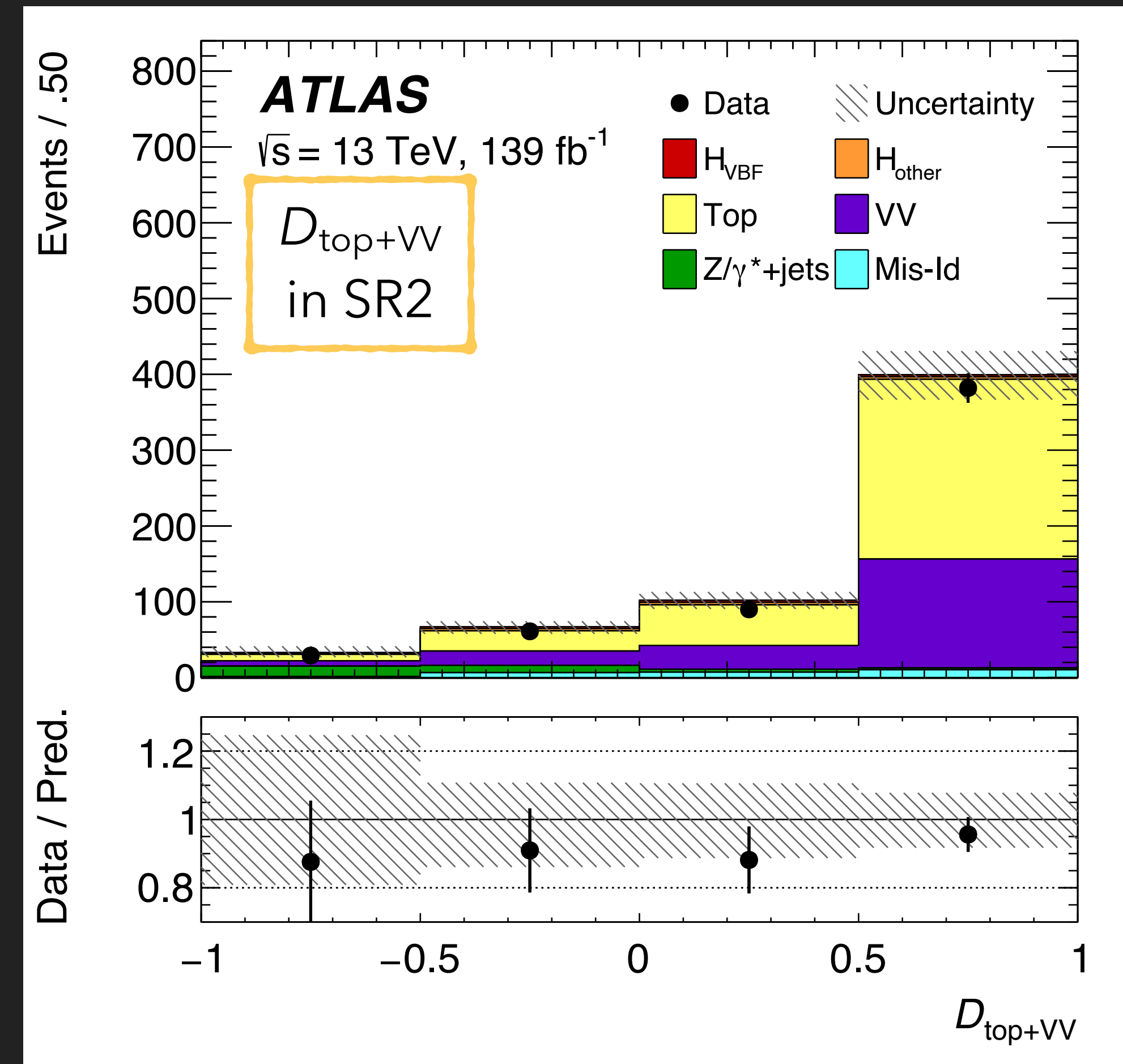


$D_{top+VV}$  - Top+VV against  
all other processes.

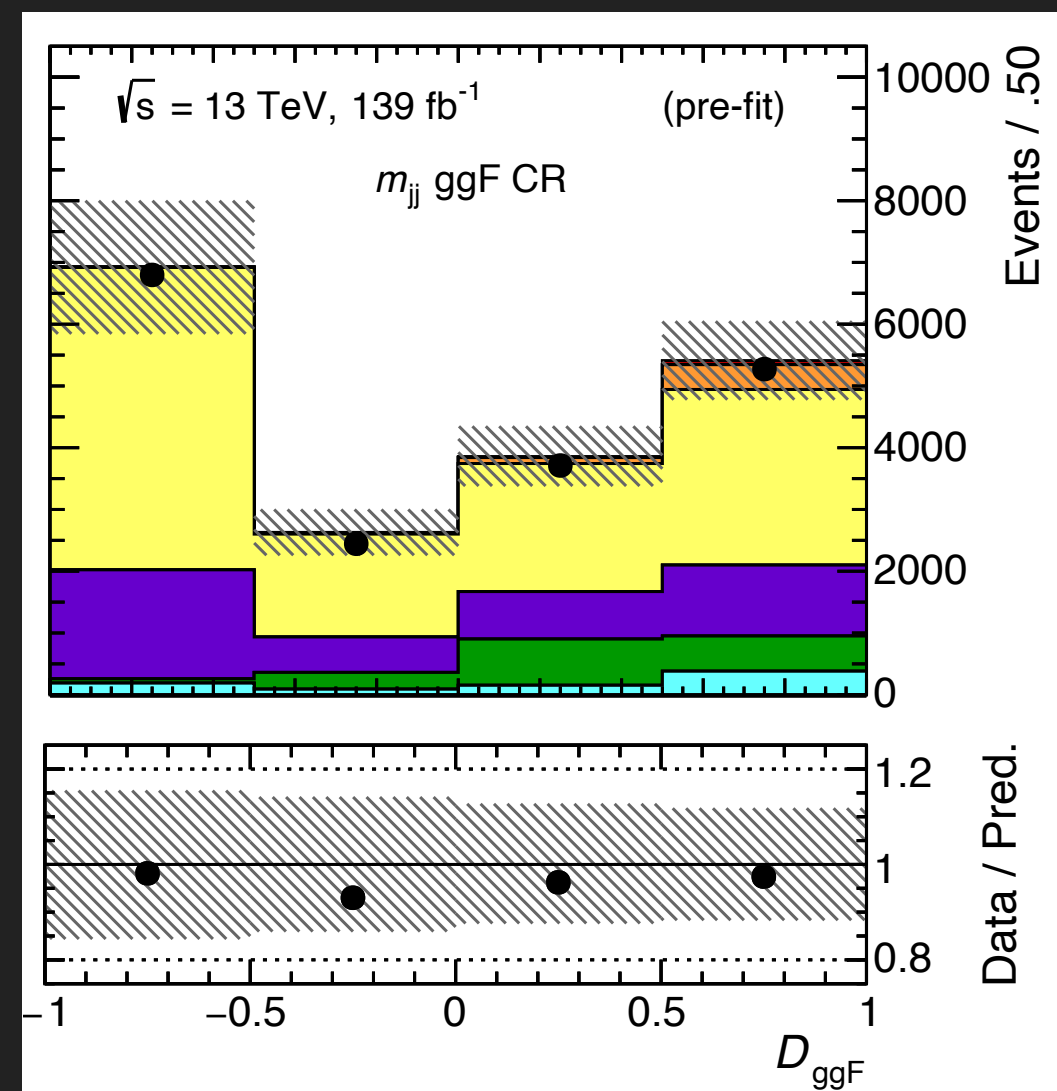
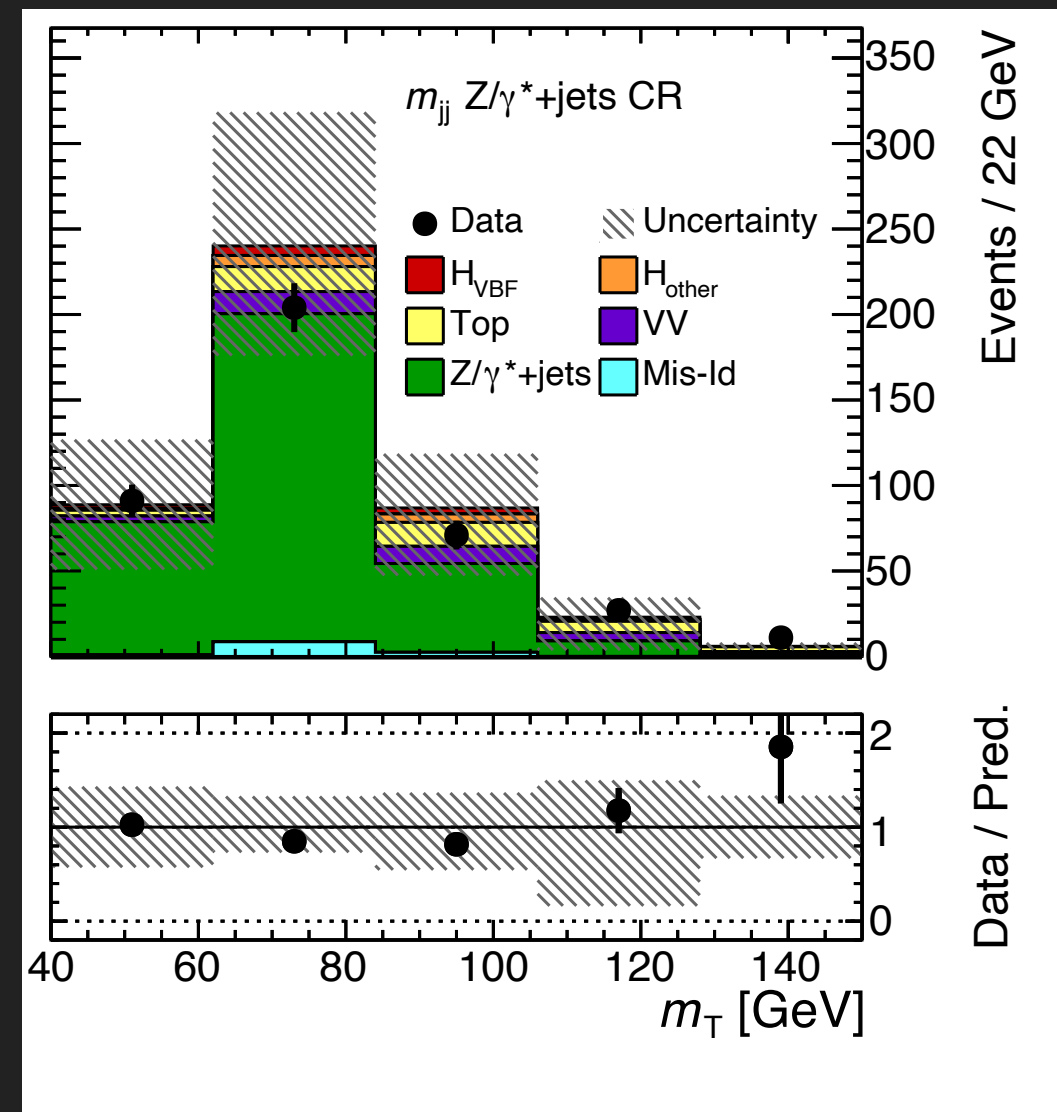
- ▶ **Second BDT** trained in the SR to add sensitivity to top and VV estimation
- ▶ Top and VV estimated as a sum
- ▶ Similar kinematic properties for Top+VV in SR1 and SR2



SMALL  
EXTRAPOLATIONS

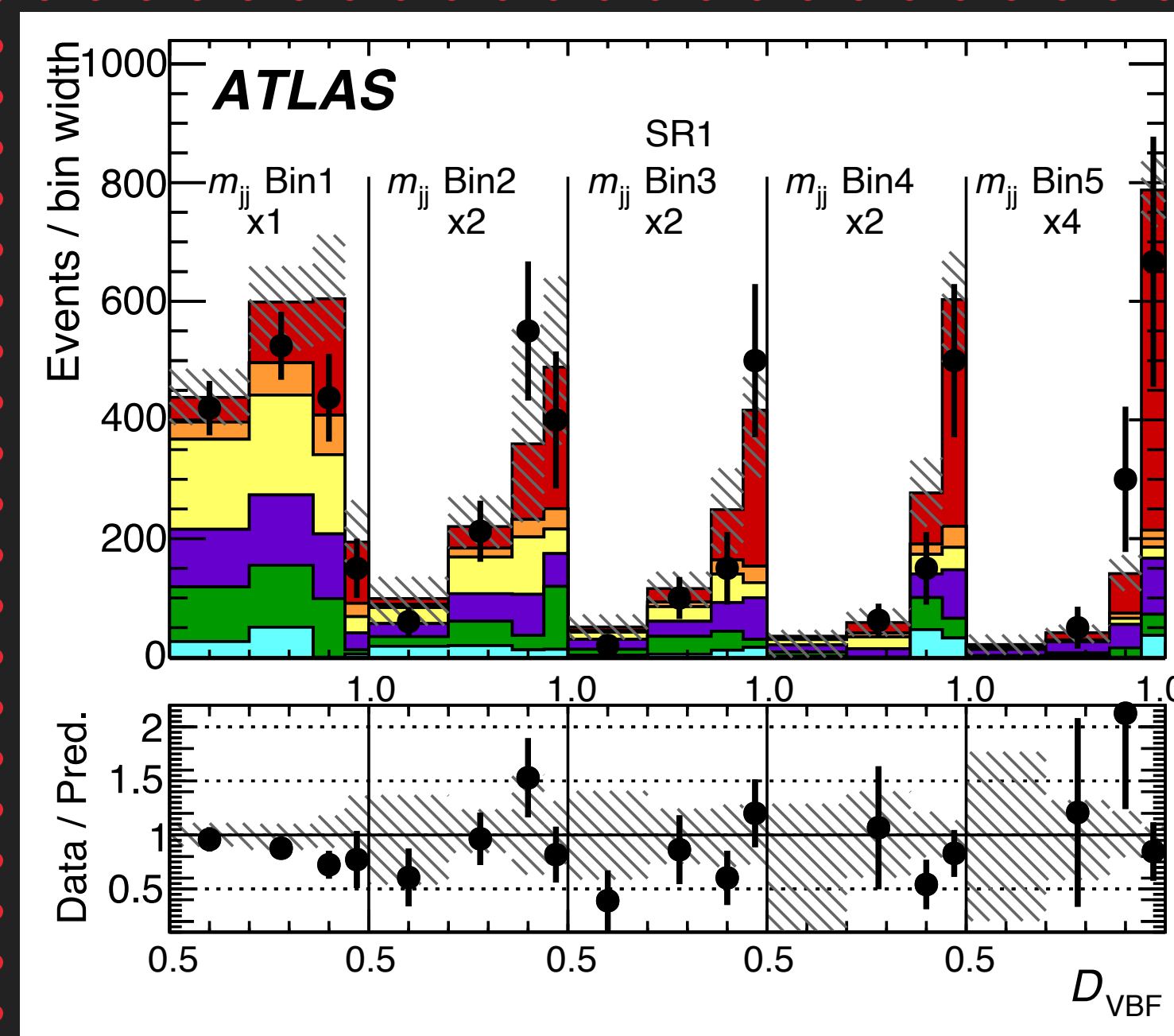


# Simultaneous Fit Model



$Z \rightarrow \tau\tau$

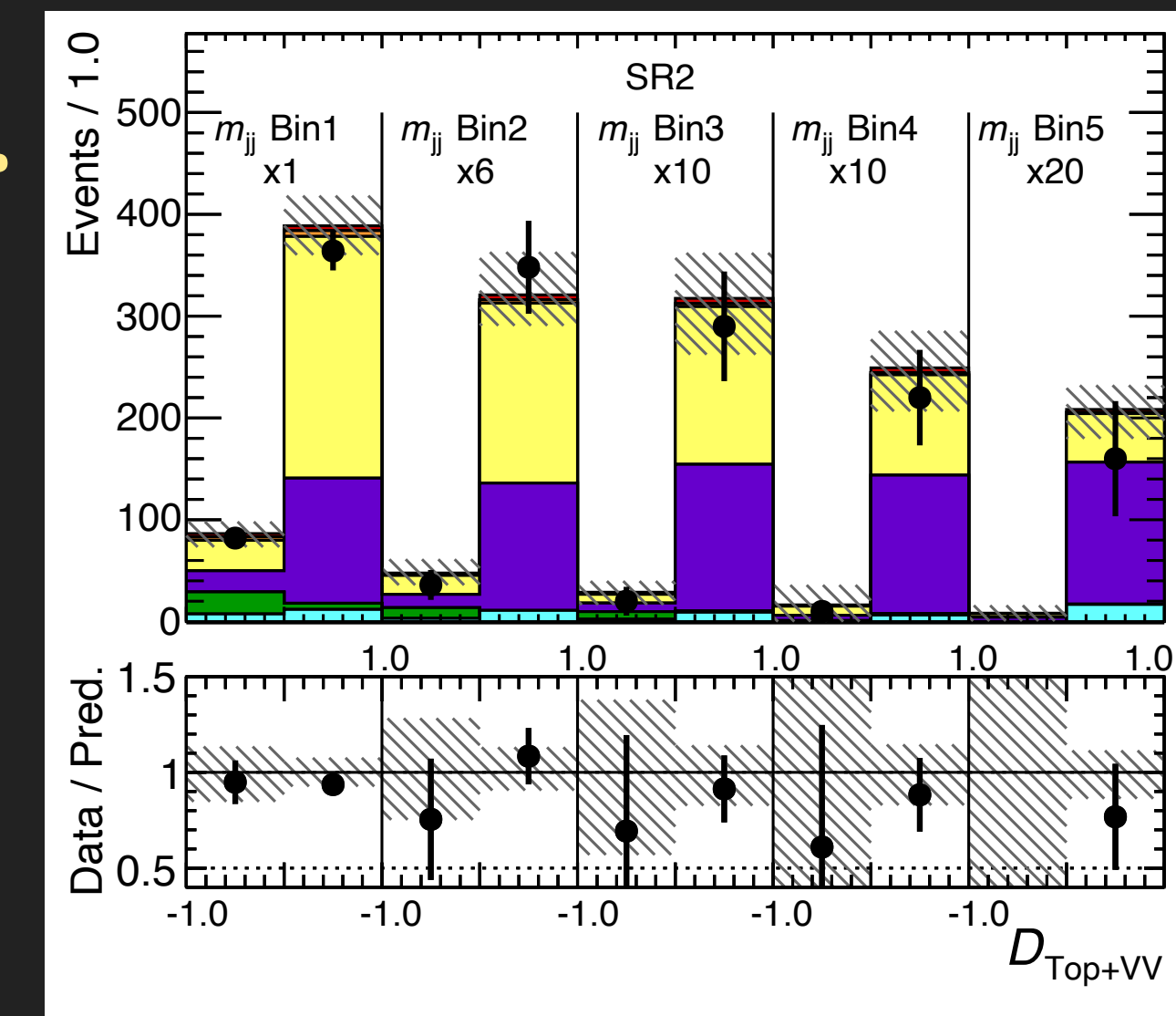
ggF Higgs



Signal Region 1

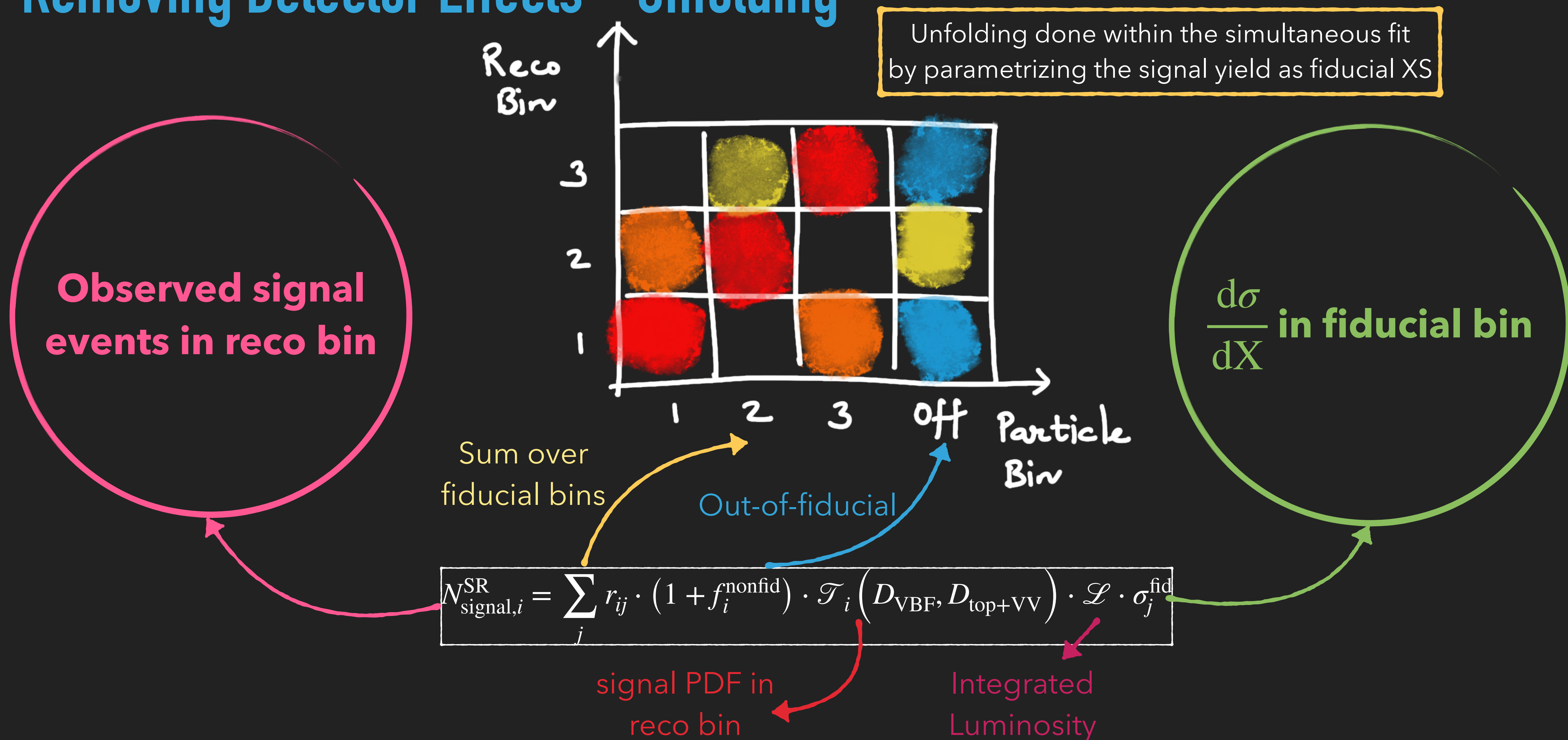
Signal Region

Top + VV



Signal Region 2

# Removing Detector Effects – Unfolding



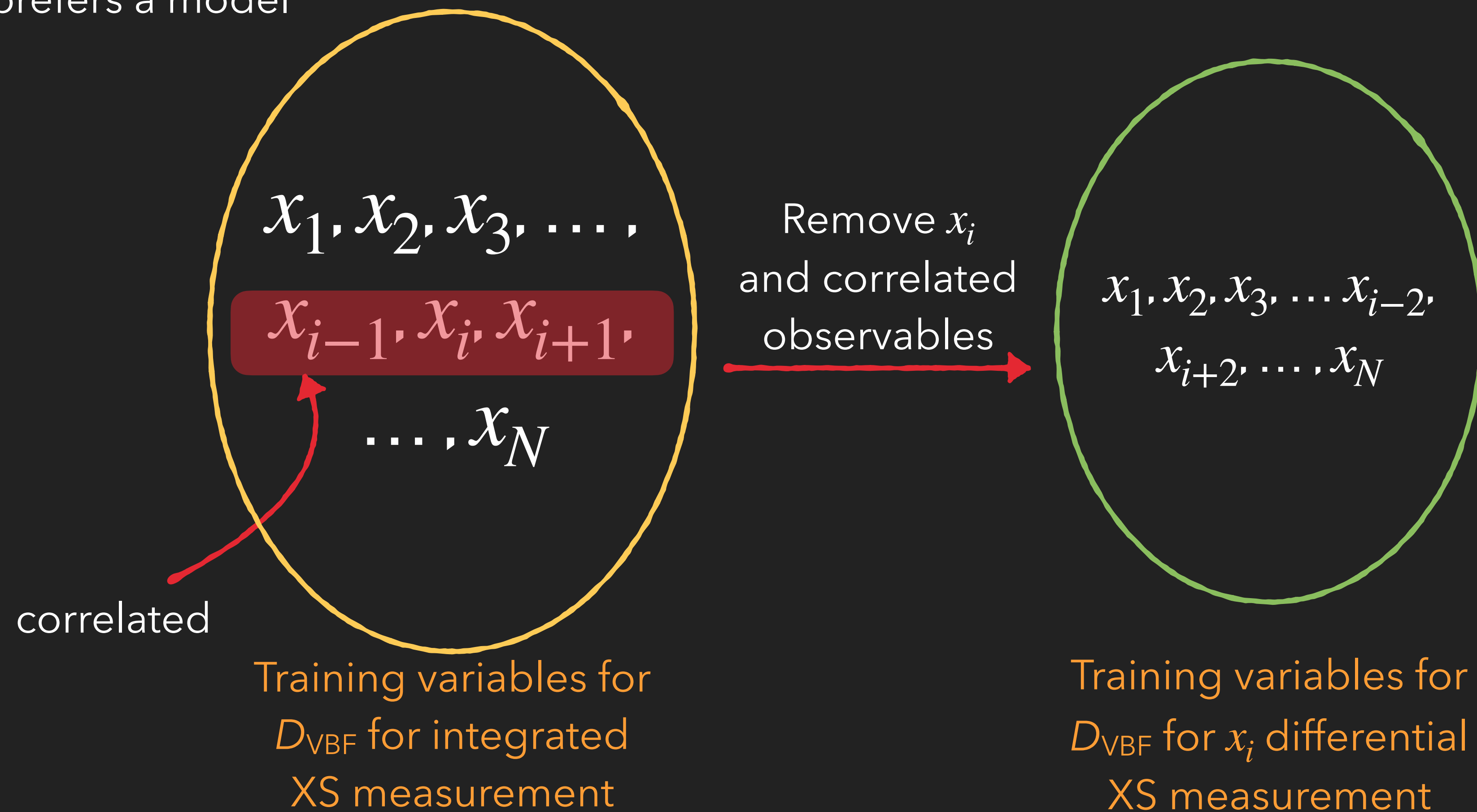
# Reducing Model Dependence

- ▶ BDTs trained using SM Monte Carlo predictions – use maximal information from the model
- ▶ Necessary to penalize the BDT if it prefers a model

BDTs trained in a broader phase space than measured

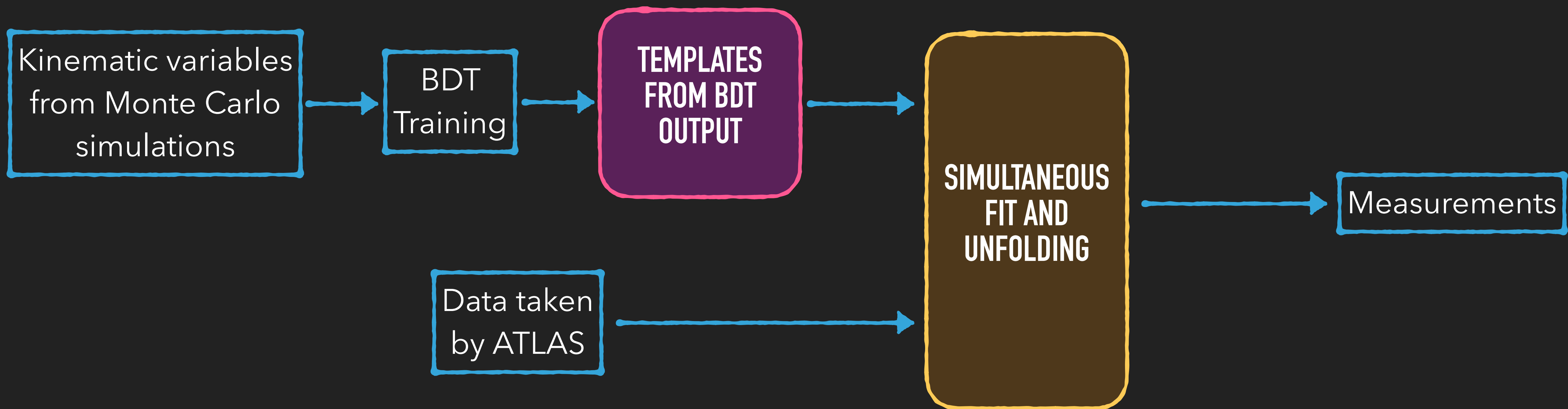
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Outside lepton veto	yes
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$ \Delta\phi_{\ell\ell} $	$\cancel{< 1.4 \text{ rad}}$

SR Definition



# Tests of Model Independence

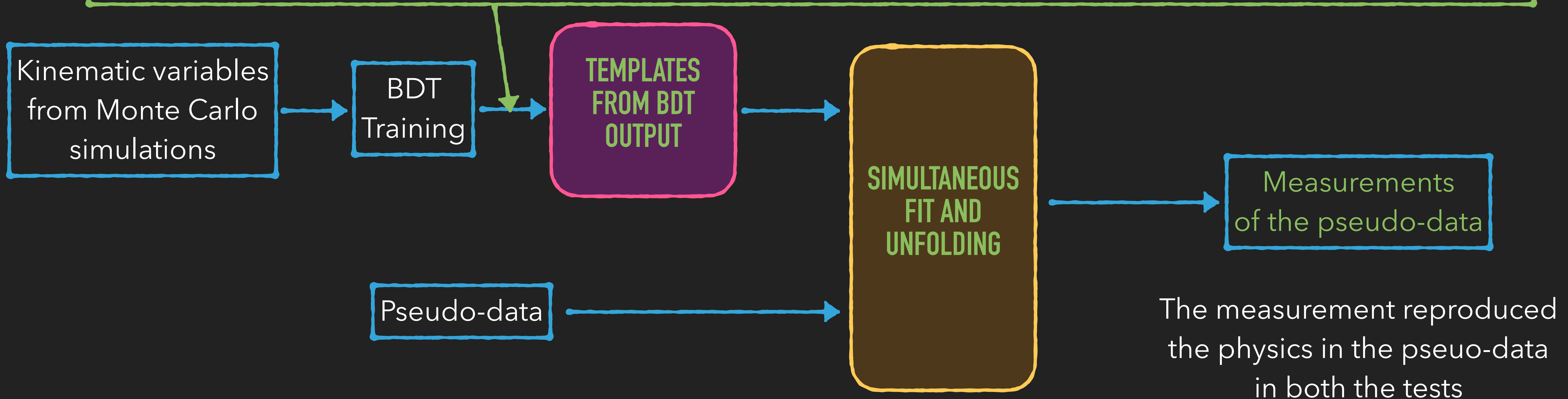
To test → How sensitive is the method of measurement to the modeling of the signal by the MC?



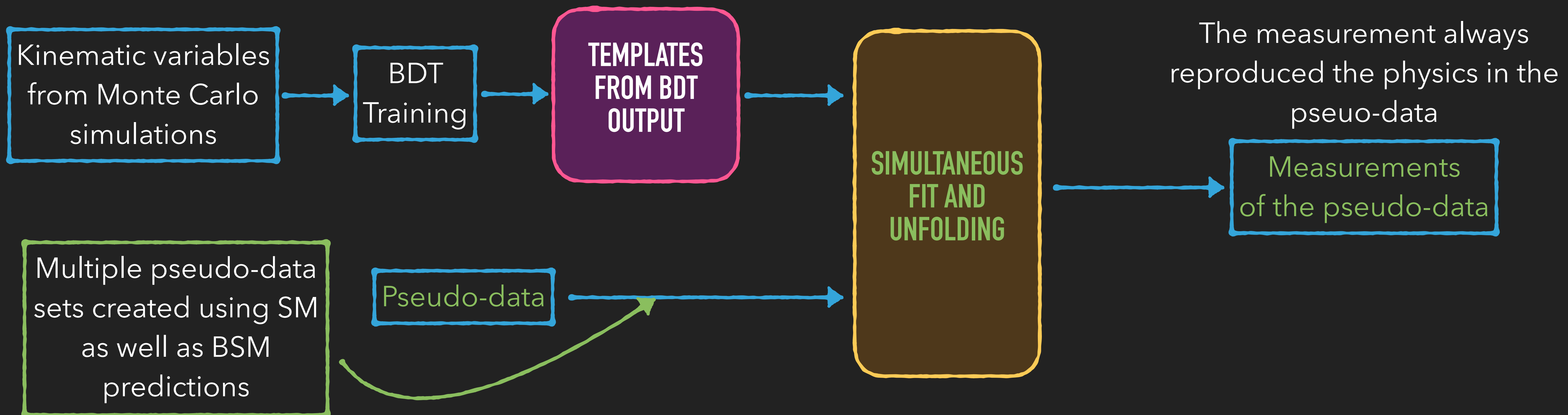
# Tests of Model Independence – sensitivity to template shape

The template structure was modified by varying the kinematics used for BDT inputs in two independent tests

1. Re-weight variables the BDTs are sensitive to with BSM effects (physical effect)
2. Vary binned BDT shapes to  $n\sigma_{\text{stat}}$  deviations (statistical effect)

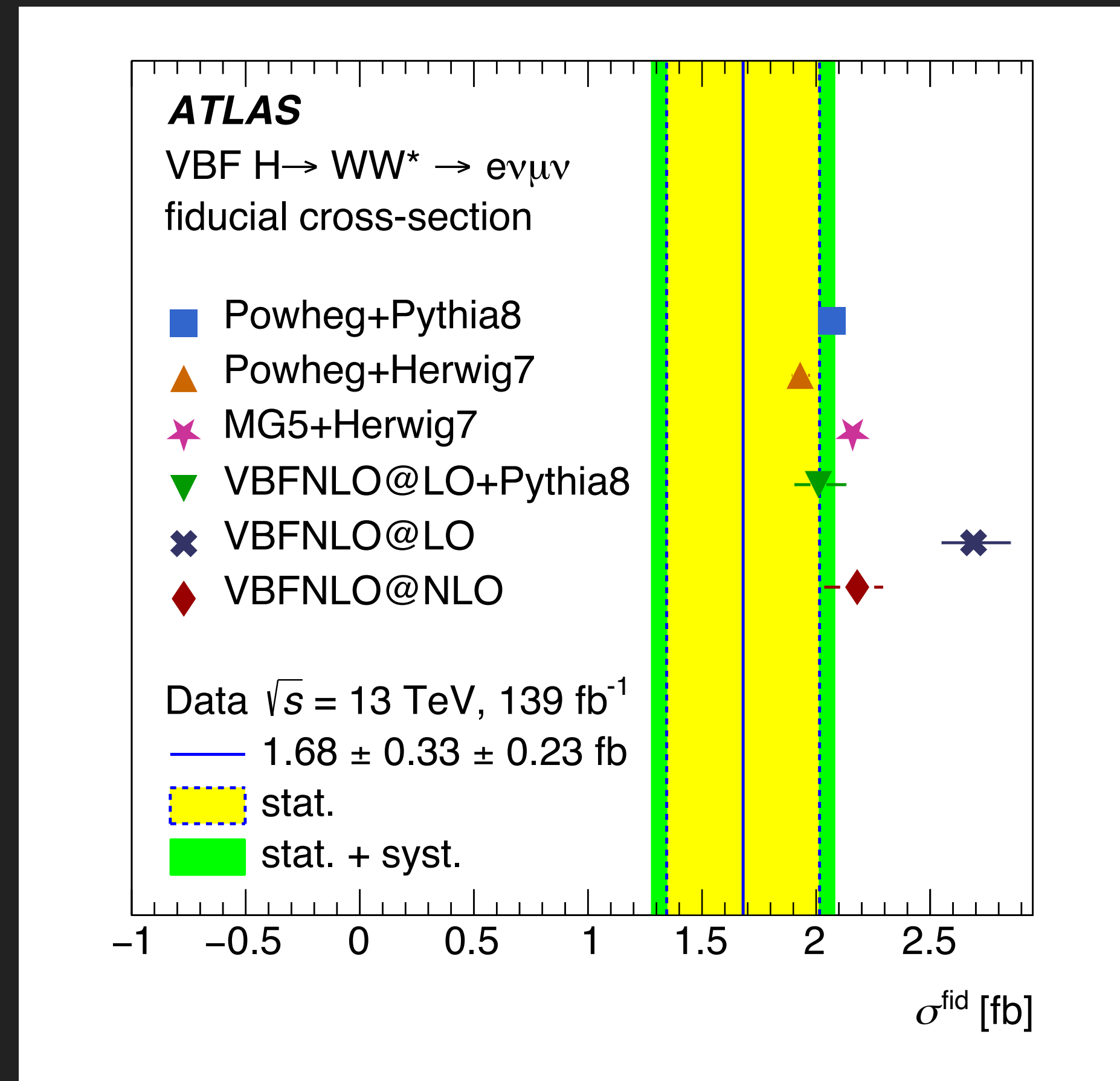


# Tests of Model Independence - accuracy of measurements



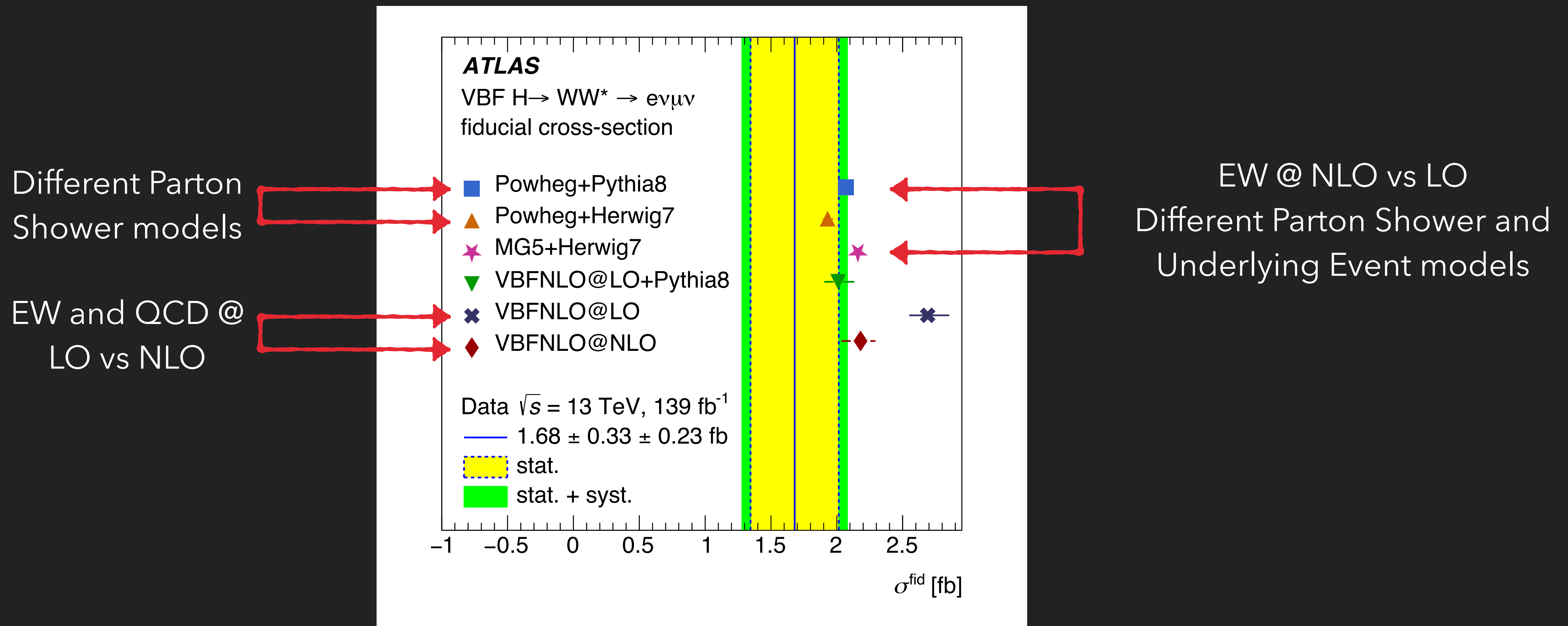
Multiple tests of the overall fit structure showed no bias towards the MC prediction used to train the BDTs and to build the fit templates. **The measurement is model independent!**

# Integrated Fiducial Cross-Section



Integrated fiducial cross section measured with 23% error  
 Result limited by data statistics

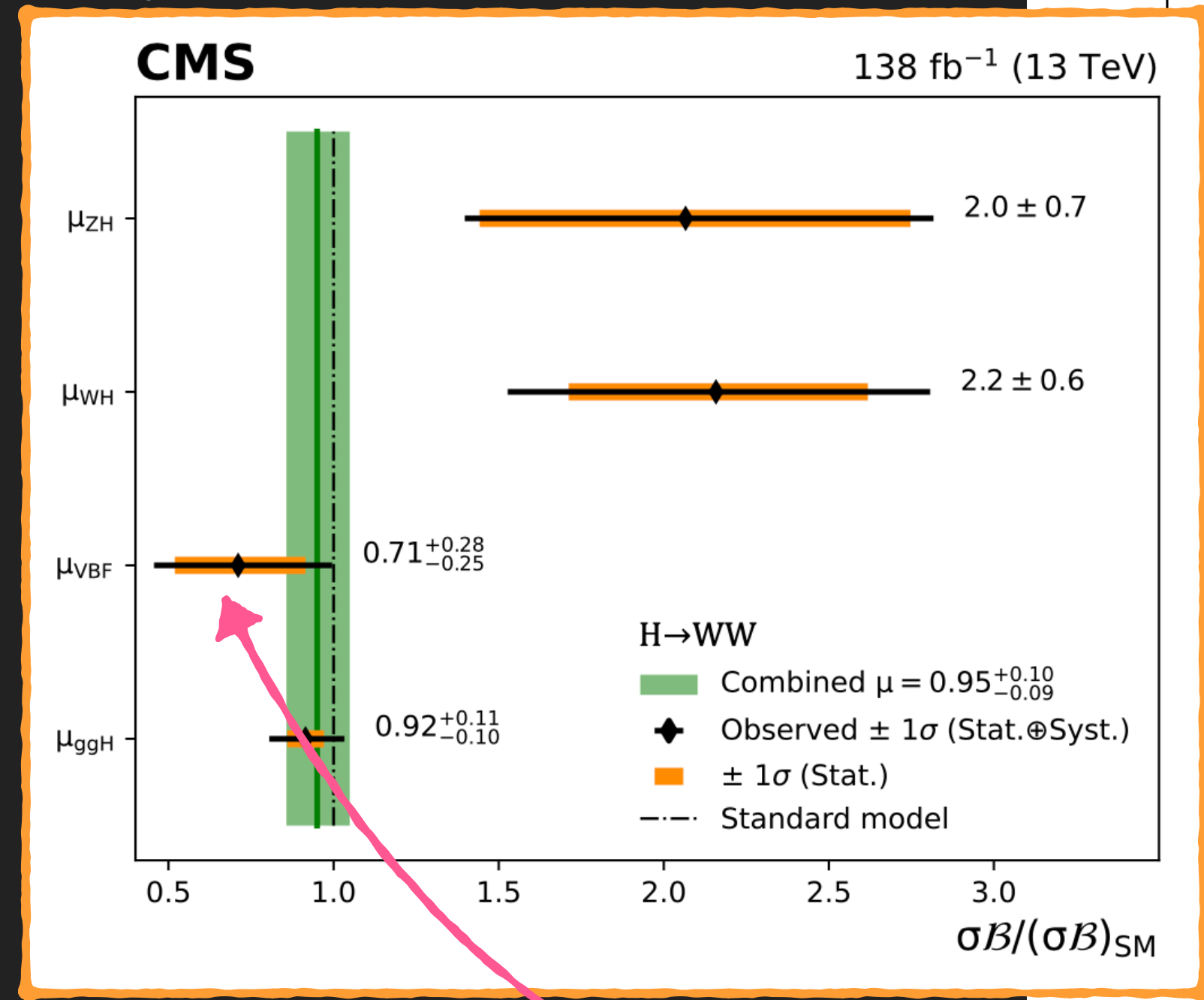
# Integrated Fiducial Cross-Section



Measured XS compared to theoretical predictions using different MC simulation models at varying orders of EW and QCD couplings

# Integrated Fiducial Cross-Section

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**ATLAS**  
VBF  $H \rightarrow WW^* \rightarrow e\nu\mu\nu$   
fiducial cross-section

- Blue square: Powheg+Pythia8
- Orange triangle: Powheg+Herwig7
- Pink star: MG5+Herwig7
- Green inverted triangle: VBFNLO@LO+Pythia8
- Blue cross: VBFNLO@LO
- Red diamond: VBFNLO@NLO

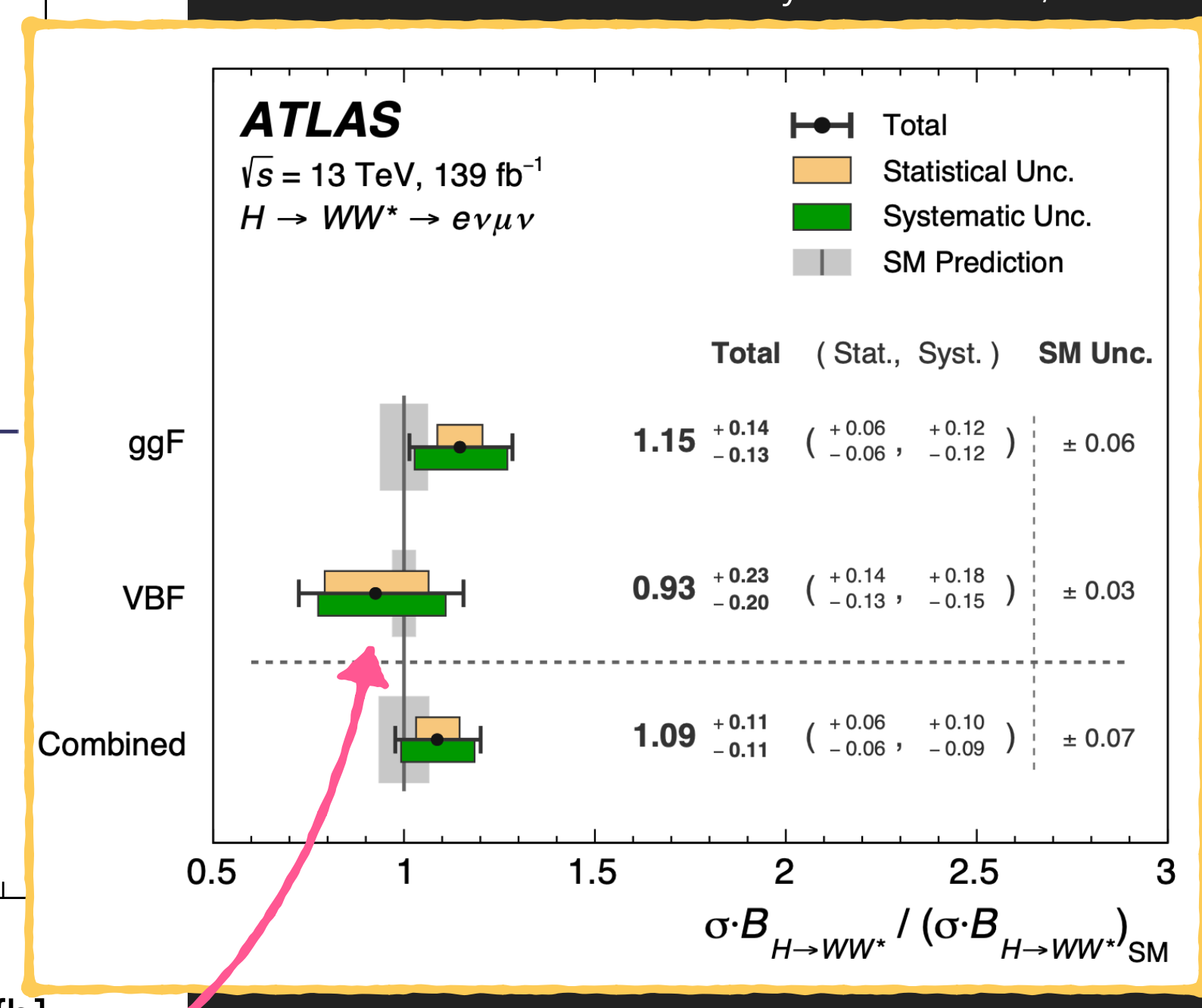
Data  $\sqrt{s} = 13$  TeV, 139 fb<sup>-1</sup>

Blue line:  $1.68 \pm 0.33 \pm 0.23$  fb

Yellow shaded region: stat.

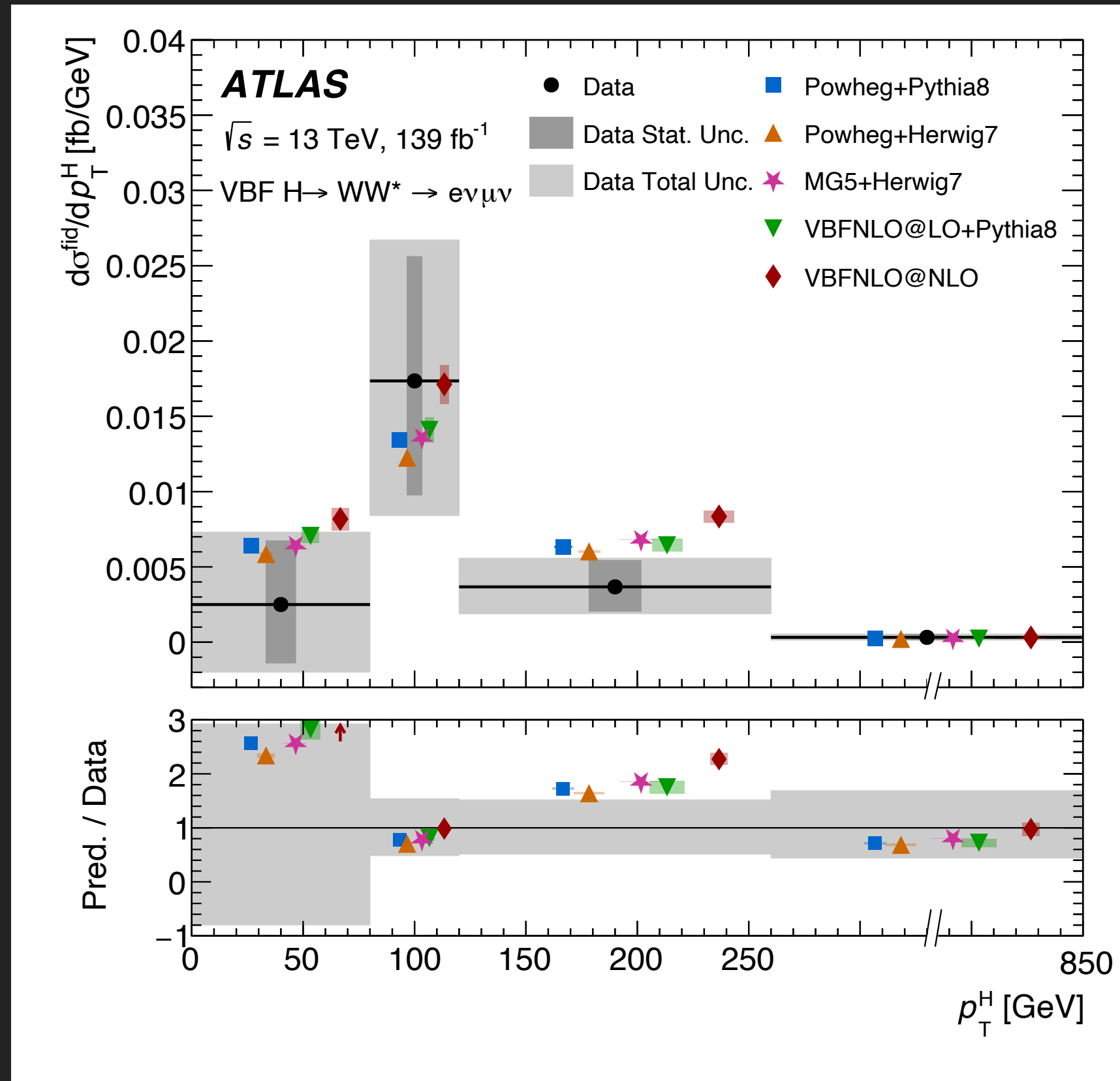
Green shaded region: stat. + syst.

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Measured XS smaller than predictions – consistent with independent measurements in similar phase spaces

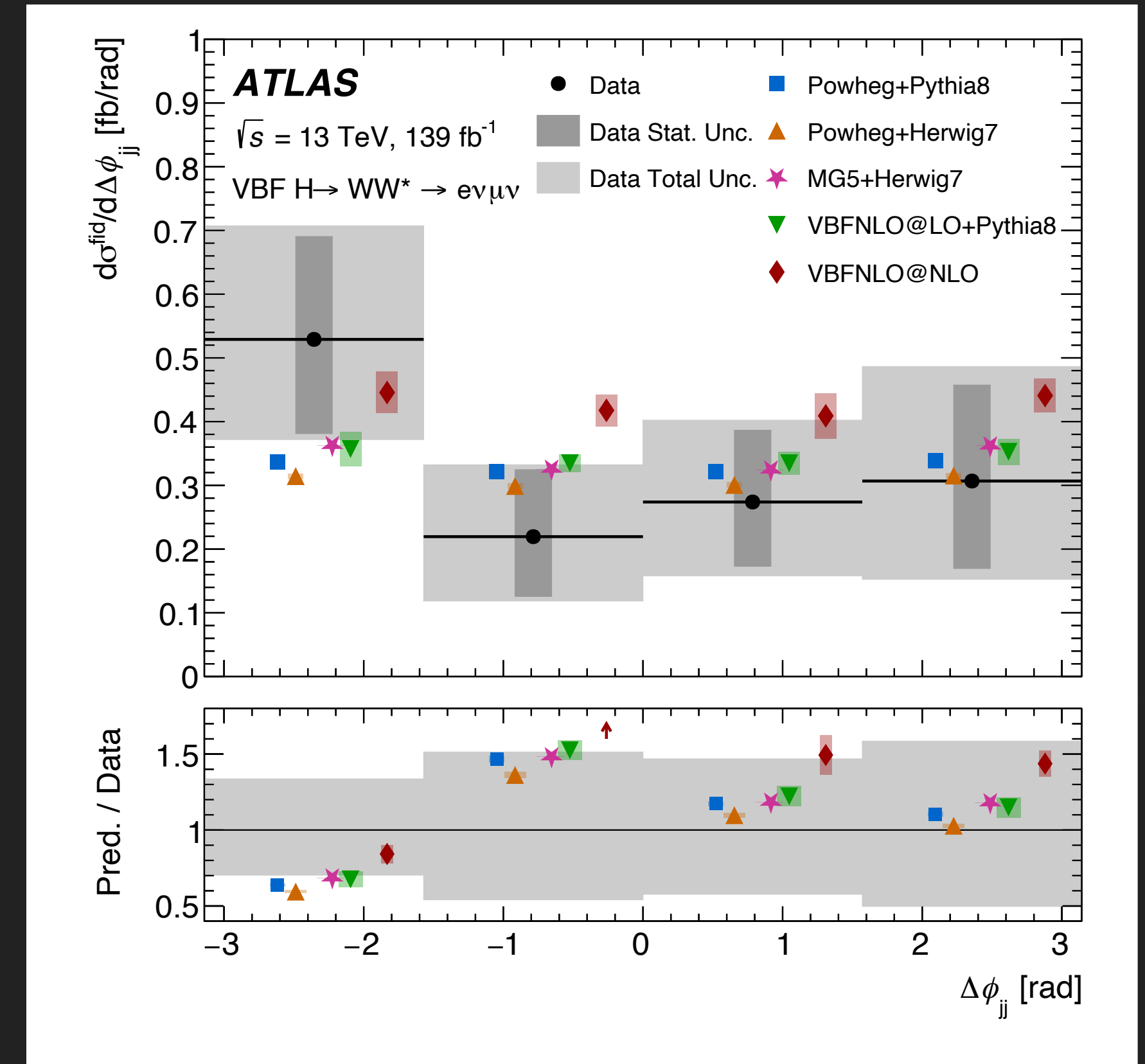
# Differential Cross-Sections



$$p_T^H = |\mathbf{p}_T^\mu + \mathbf{p}_T^e + \mathbf{p}_T^{\text{miss}}|$$

### Observables unfolded:

1.  $m_{jj}$
2.  $m_{ll}$
3.  $|\Delta Y_{jj}|$
4.  $|\Delta Y_{ll}|$
5.  $\Delta\phi_{jj}$
6.  $|\Delta\phi_{ll}|$
7. Leading jet  $p_T$
8. Sub-leading jet  $p_T$
9. Leading lepton  $p_T$
10. Sub-leading lepton  $p_T$
11.  $p_T^H$
12. Higgs  $p_T$
13.  $\cos(\theta_\eta^*)$



$$\Delta\phi_{jj} = \phi^{j_{\eta>}} - \phi^{j_{\eta<}}$$

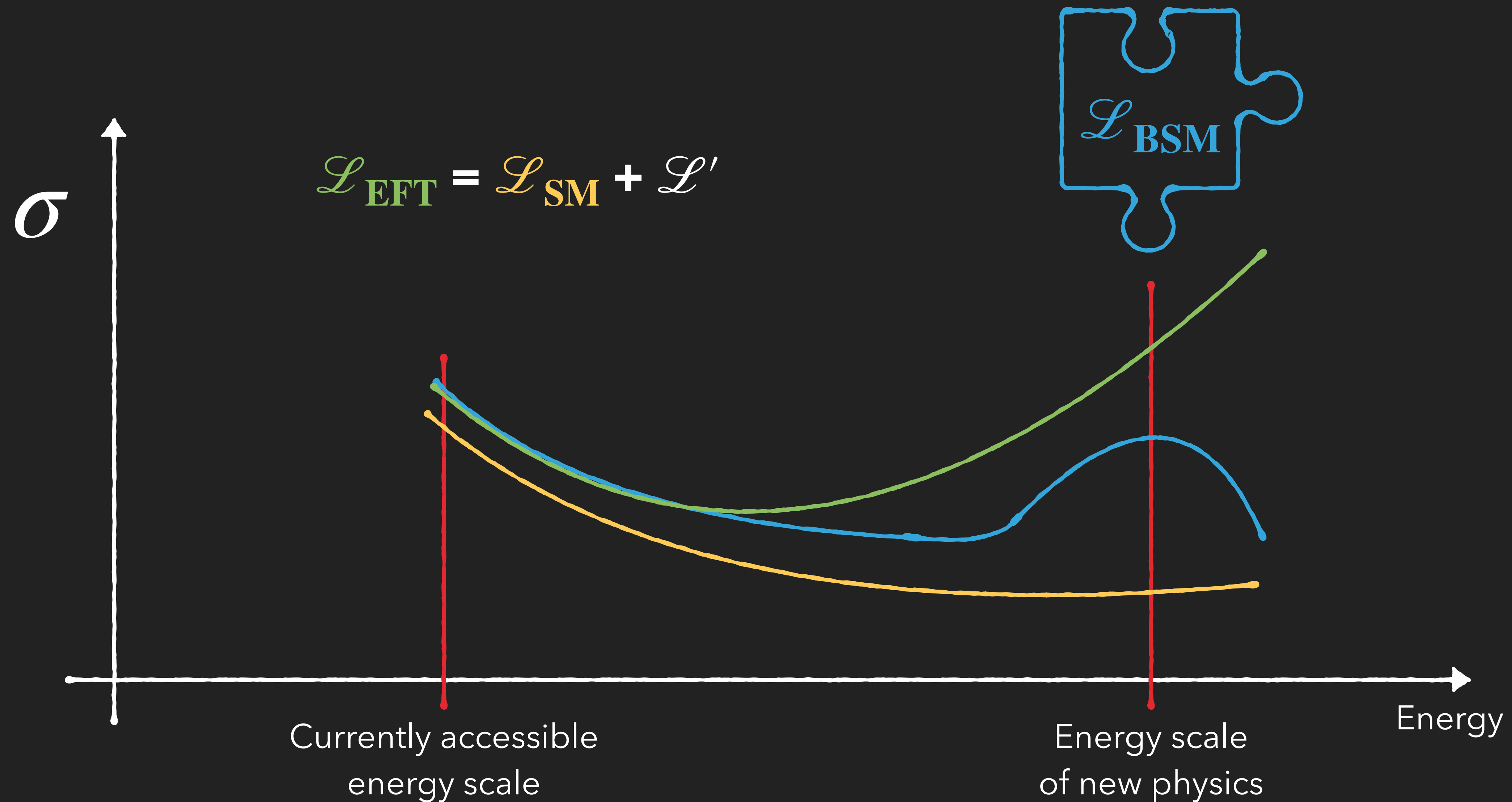
**13 observables** measured in total! Both, lepton-like and jet-like

# Uncertainties

- ▶ Unfolding keeps the signal modeling systematics under control
- ▶ Top induced and diboson modeling systematics sub-leading
- ▶ ggF estimated from data and modeling uncertainty under control
- ▶ Biggest detector systematic from jets and  $E_T^{\text{miss}}$  reconstruction
- ▶ Measurement precision limited by data statistics

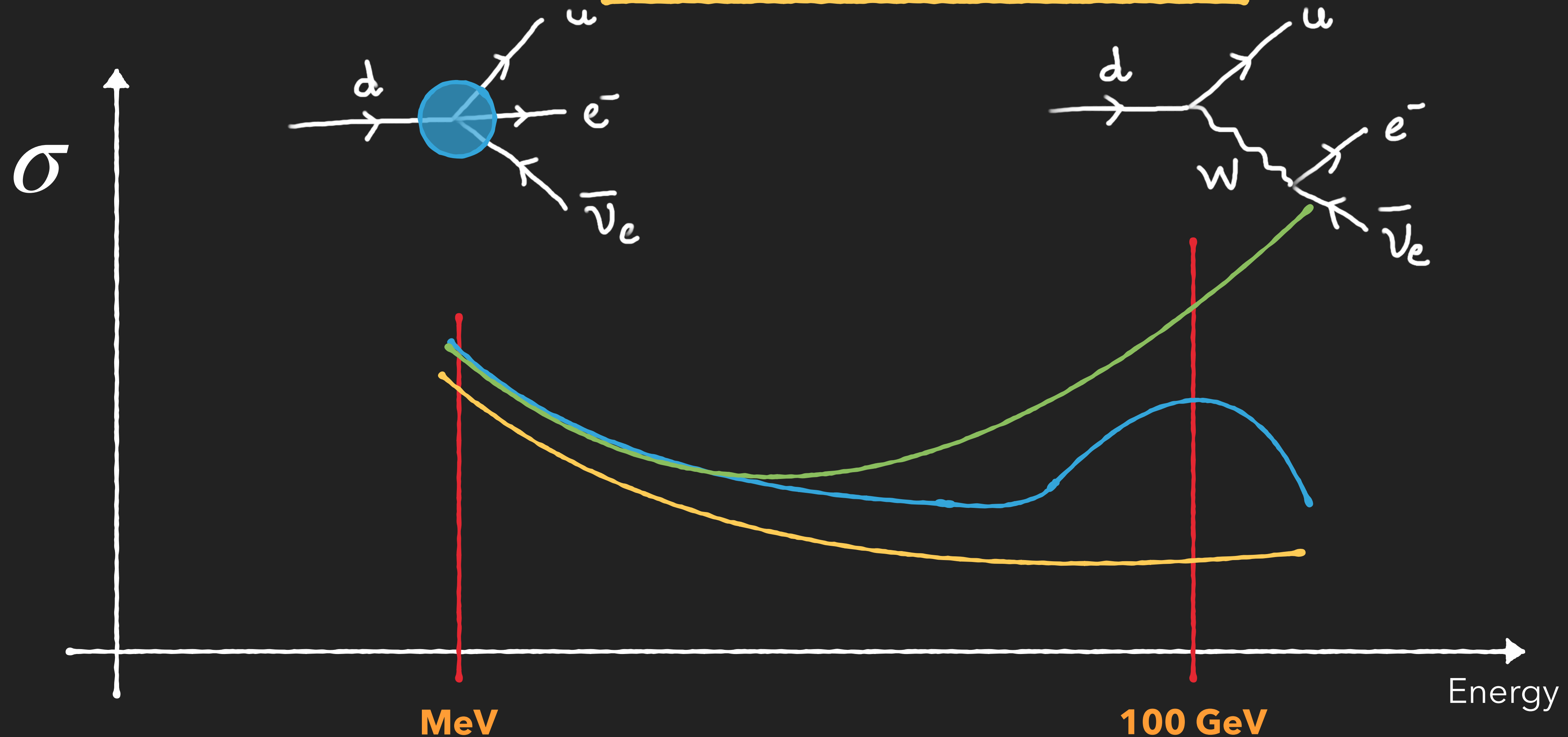
Source	Uncertainty [%] $\sigma^{\text{fid}}$
→ Signal modeling	5
Signal parton shower	< 1
→ $t\bar{t}$ modeling	6
→ $WW$ modeling	4
$Z/\gamma^*$ +jets modeling	4
→ ggF modeling	5
Mis-Id background	< 1
→ Jets & Pile-up & $E_T^{\text{miss}}$	5
$b$ -tagging	< 1
Leptons	1.5
Luminosity	1.5
MC statistics	5
Total systematics	13
→ Data statistics	20
Total uncertainty	23

# Introduction to Effective Field Theory



# Introduction to Effective Field Theory

## Fermi's 4-Fermion Interaction Theory



# EFT Interpretation

- Interpreting the measurements in the formalism of Standard Model Effective Field Theory ([arXiv:1709.06492](https://arxiv.org/abs/1709.06492))

Wilson coefficient

Strength of the operator

EFT Operator

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{EFT}} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{SM}}^{(4)} + \sum_d \sum_i \frac{c_i^{(d)}}{\Lambda^{(d-4)}} O_i^{(d)}, \text{ for } d > 4.$$

Cut-off energy scale

$$\sigma - \sigma_{\text{SM}} \propto 2 \frac{c}{\Lambda^2} \text{Re} \left( \mathcal{M}_{\text{SM}}^* \mathcal{M} \right) + \frac{c^2}{\Lambda^4} |\mathcal{M}^2|$$

Linear/Interference Term

Quadratic/Pure-BSM Term

# EFT Interpretation

- ▶ Interpreting the measurements in the formalism of Standard Model Effective Field Theory ([arXiv:1709.06492](https://arxiv.org/abs/1709.06492))
- ▶ Setting constraints on Wilson coefficients for both CP-even and CP-odd mass dimension-6 EFT operators

Wilson coefficient

Strength of the operator

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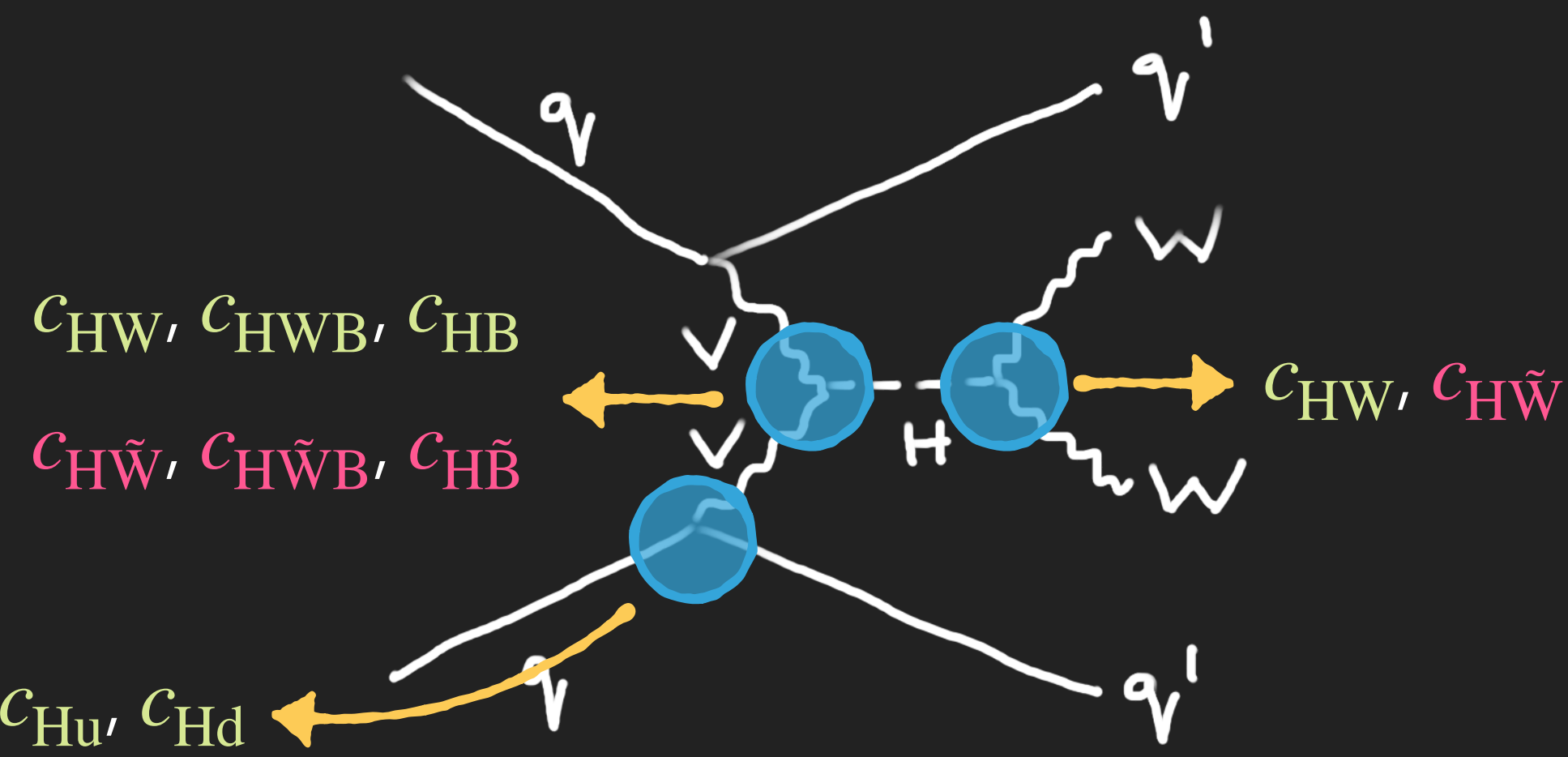
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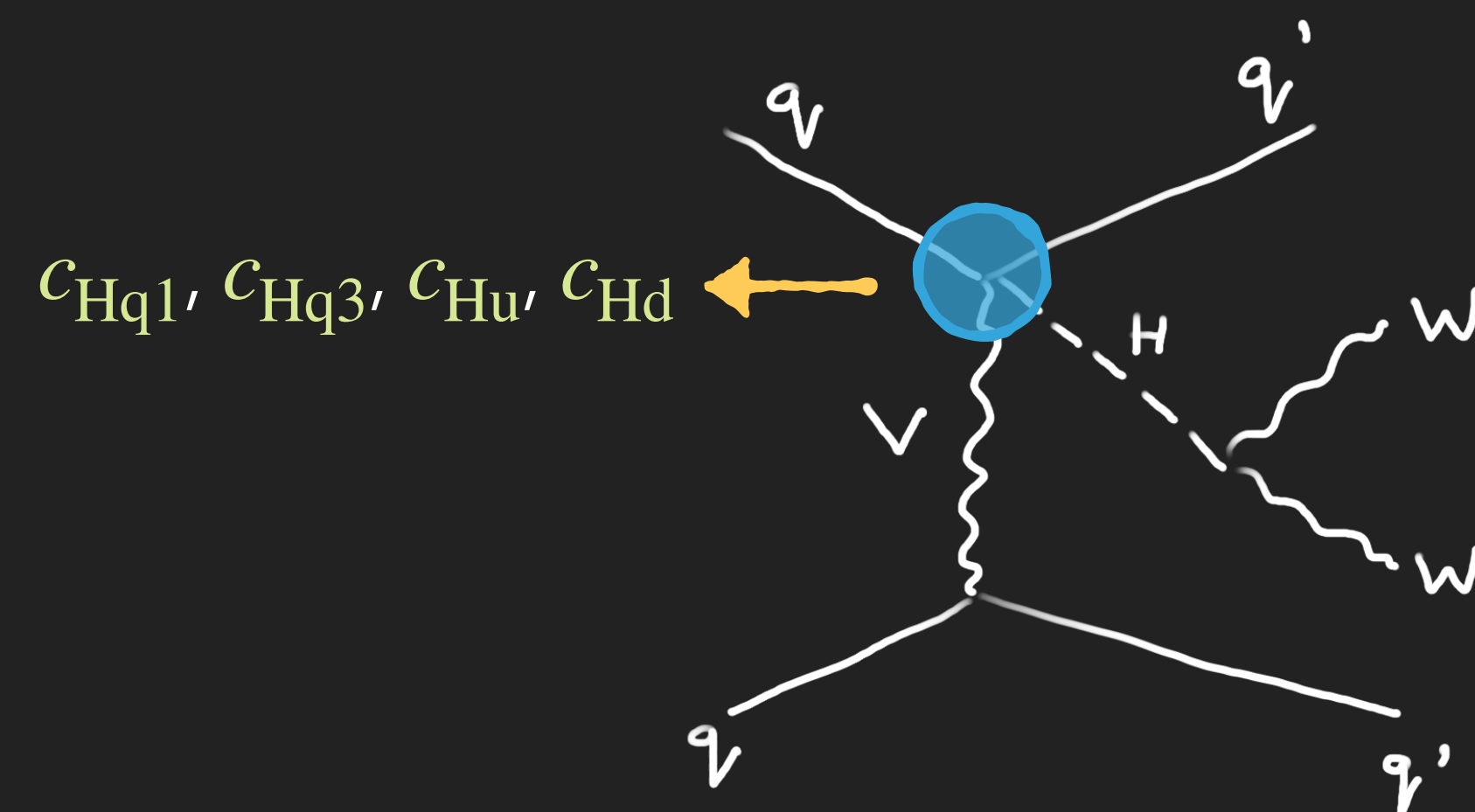
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Linear/Interference Term

Quadratic/Pure-BSM Term



Can affect the VBF production...



Or add diagrams!

# Constraints on Wilson Coefficients

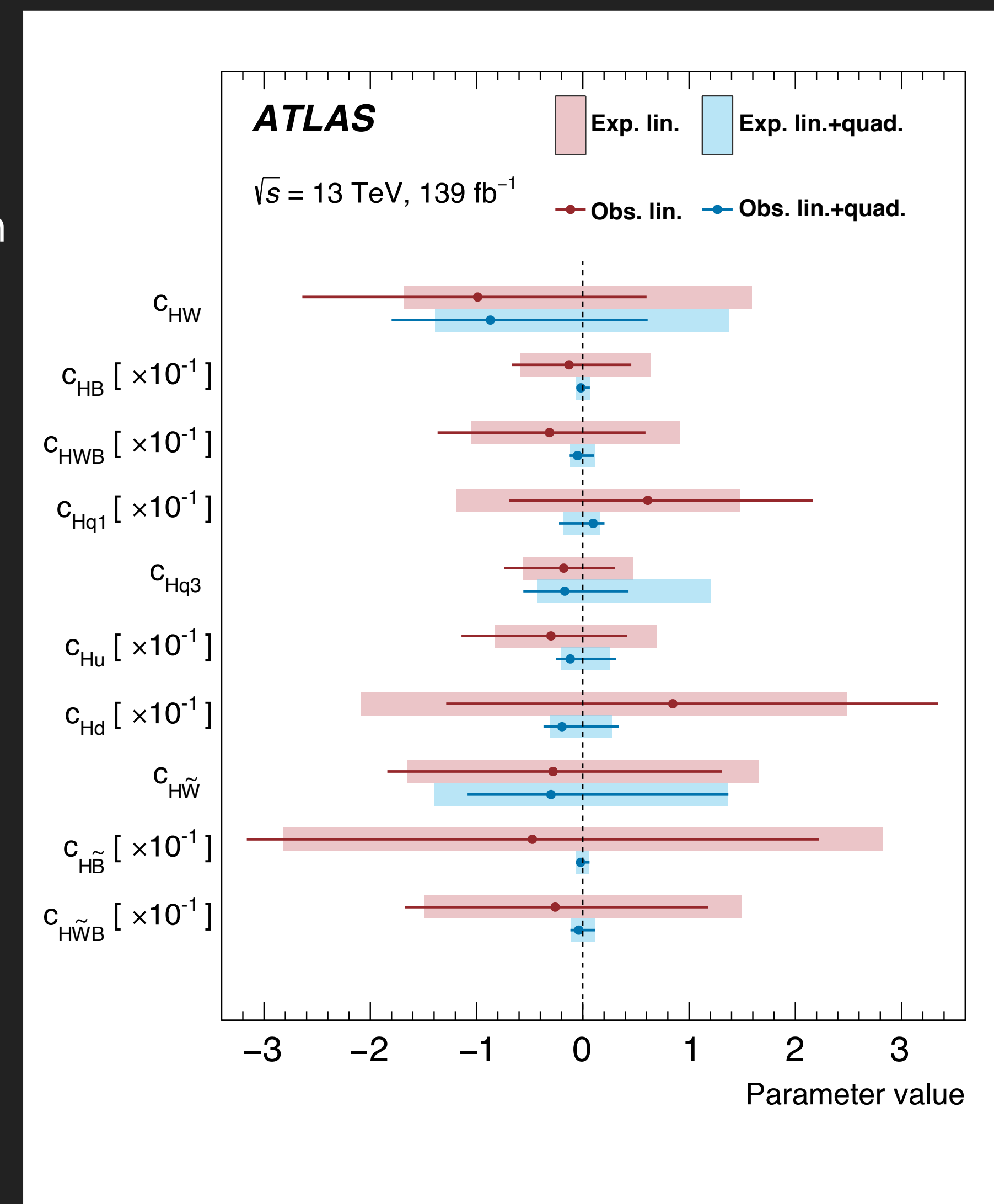
- ▶ All limits consistent with the SM prediction
- ▶ Strongest limits on  $c_{HW}$ ,  $c_{H\tilde{W}}$  and  $c_{Hq3}$  from linear only parameterization
- ▶ Strongest limits on  $c_{HB}$ ,  $c_{H\tilde{B}}$ , and  $c_{Hq3}$  from lin+quad parameterization
- ▶ Shows the impact of the quadratic term (and hence sensitivity to missing higher mass dimension terms)

$$\sigma - \sigma_{\text{SM}} \propto 2 \frac{c_{\text{dim-6}}}{\Lambda^2} \cdot \text{Re} \left( \mathcal{M}_{\text{SM}}^* \mathcal{M}_{\text{dim-6}} \right) + \frac{c_{\text{dim-6}}^2}{\Lambda^4} |\mathcal{M}_{\text{dim-6}}|^2 + 2 \frac{c_{\text{dim-8}}}{\Lambda^4} \text{Re} \left( \mathcal{M}_{\text{SM}}^* \mathcal{M}_{\text{dim-8}} \right)$$

same order of energy scale suppression

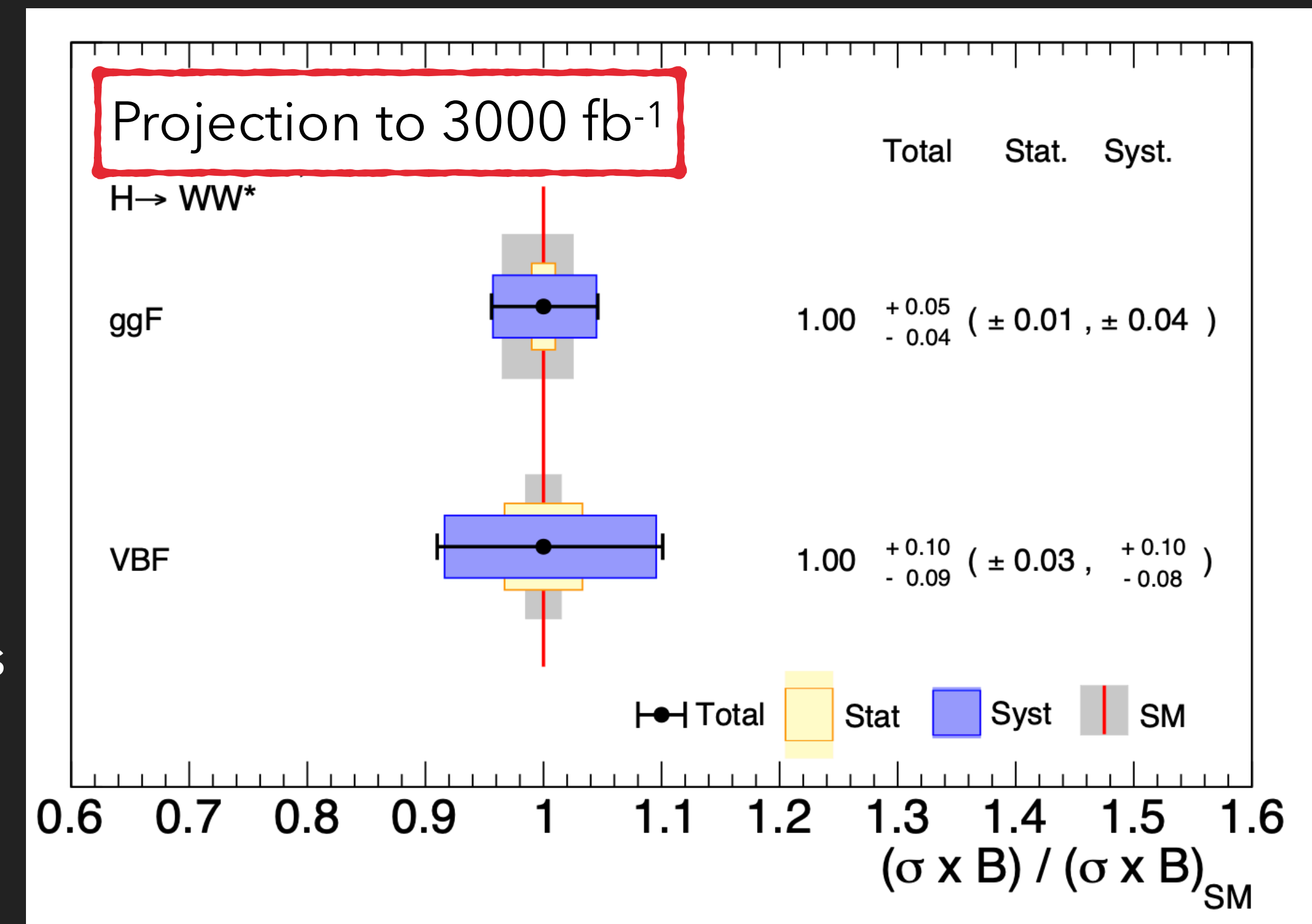
term **not** included in our parameterization

$$\sigma - \sigma_{\text{SM}} \propto c \cdot \sigma_{\text{lin}} + c^2 \cdot \sigma_{\text{quad}}$$



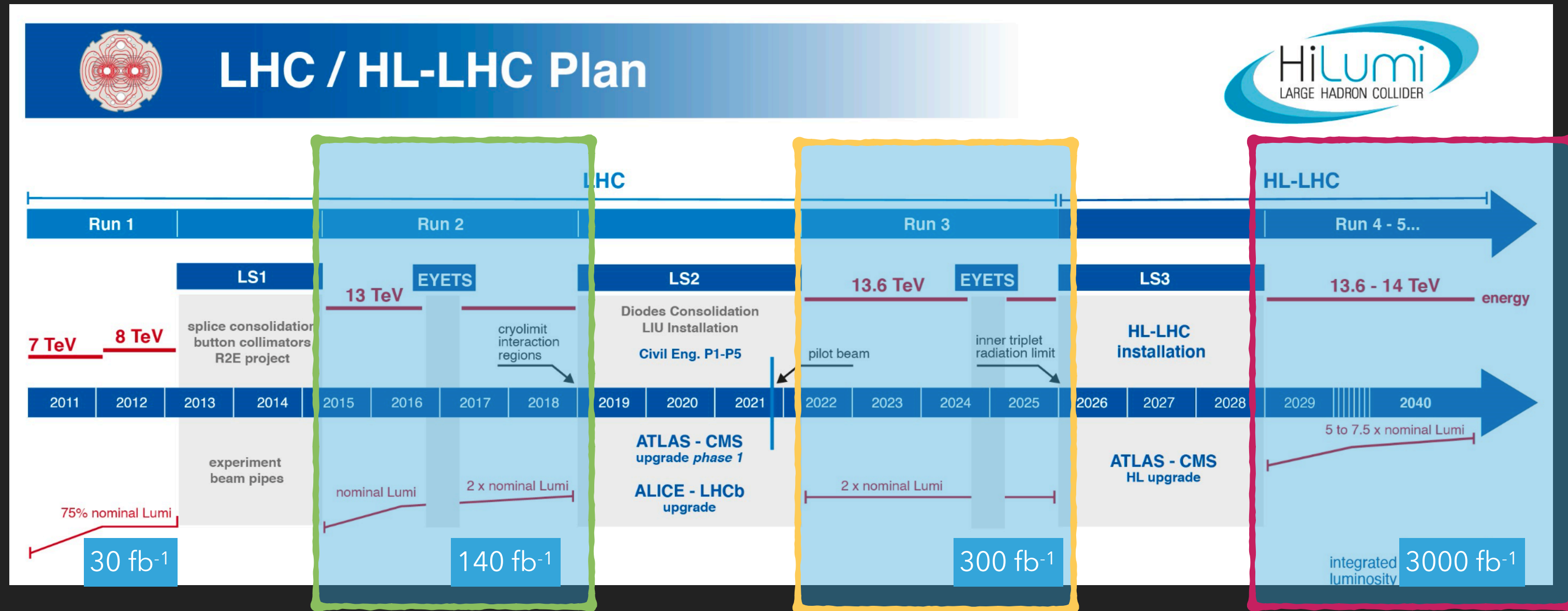
# Analysis Method Highlights

- ▶ First fully fiducial XS in the VBF  $H \rightarrow WW \rightarrow e\nu\mu\nu$  channel!
- ▶ Achieved a model independent result in a background dominated phase space
- ▶ Analysis strategy paves the way for such measurements with exotic signatures
- ▶ Indispensable while using large datasets when systematics will be the limiting factors



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# High Luminosity LHC



Statistics limited

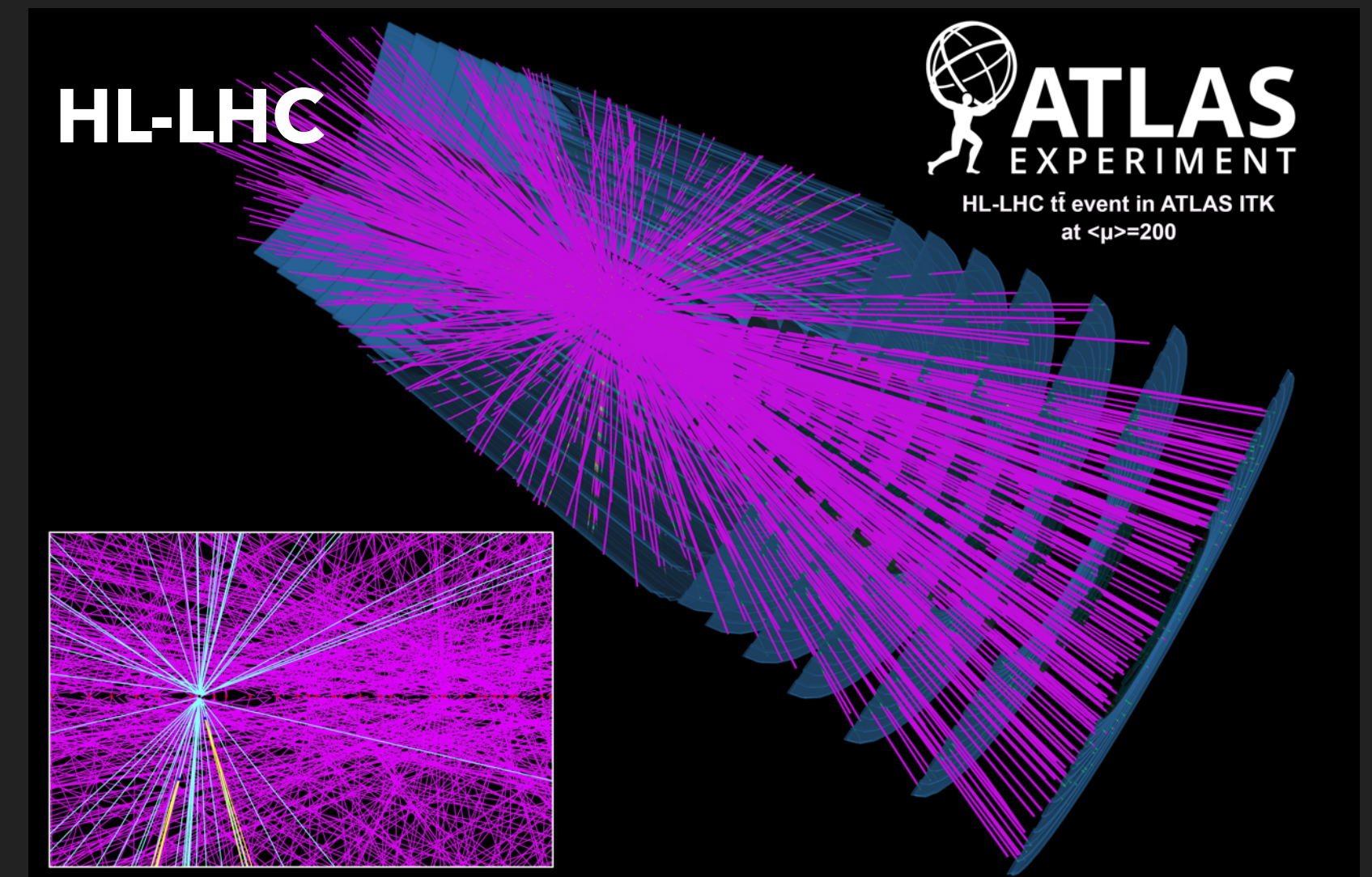
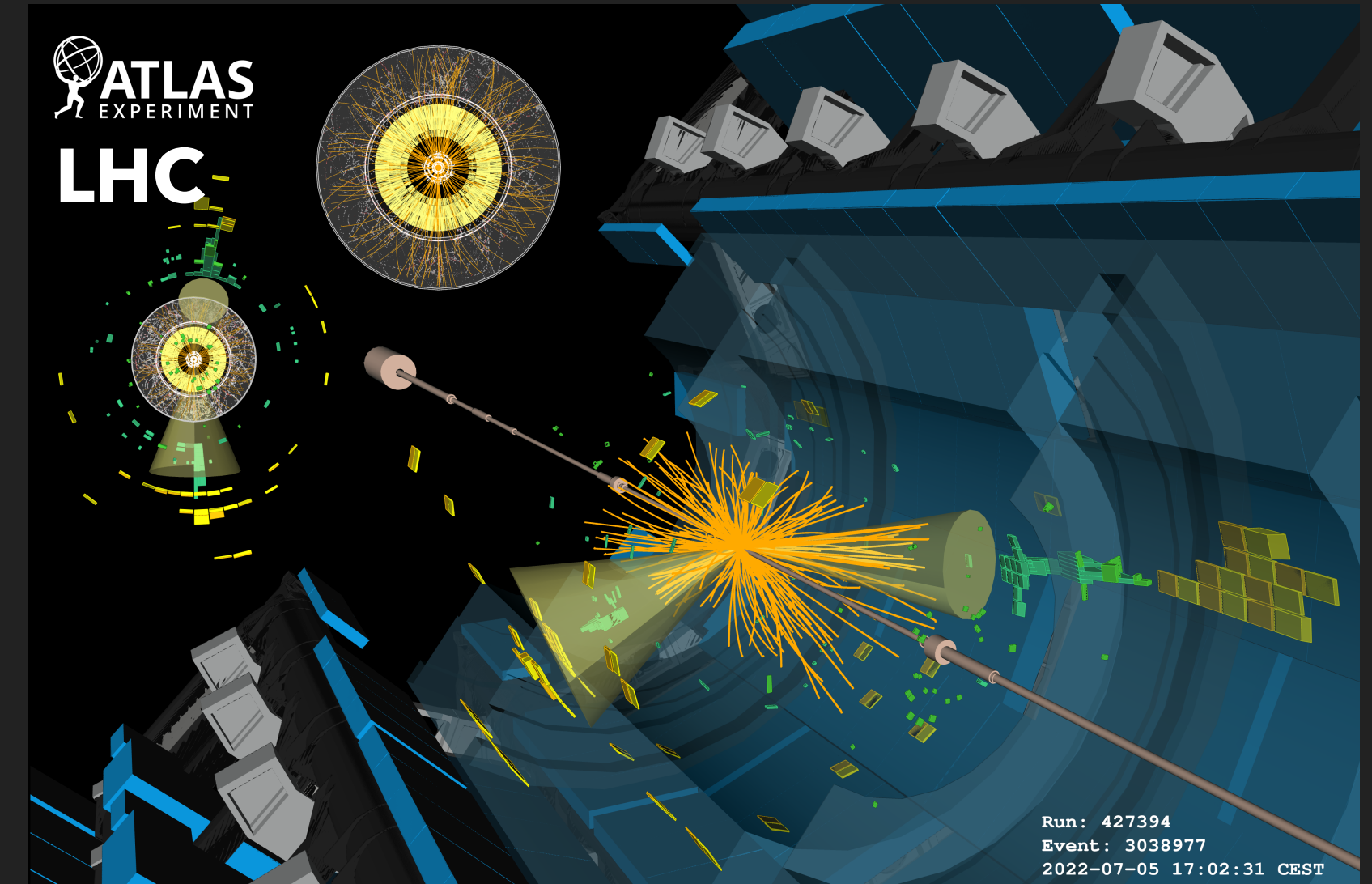
Statistics limited

High precision era

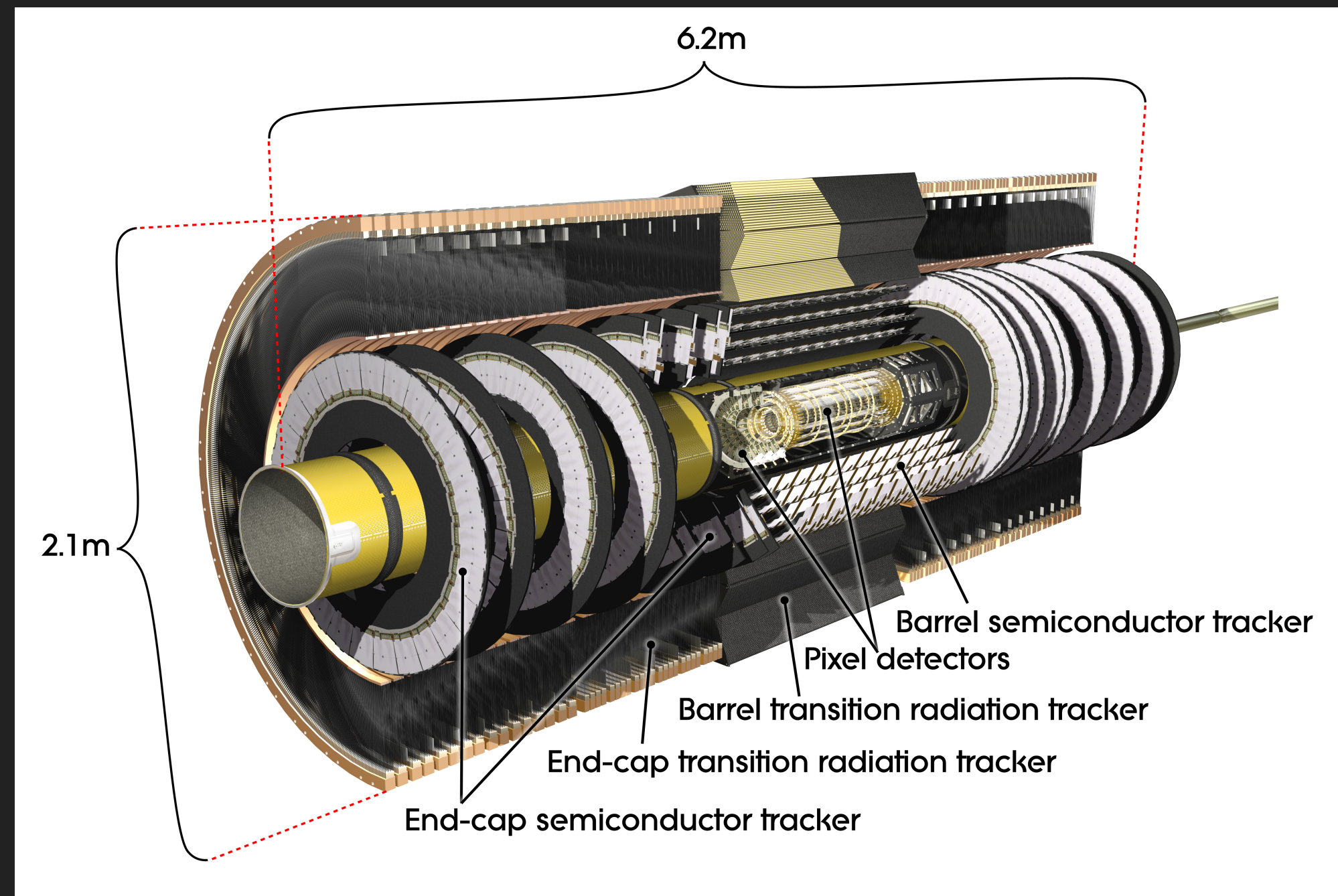
$Lumi_{HL-LHC} = 3.5 \times Lumi_{LHC}$

5x data taking rate

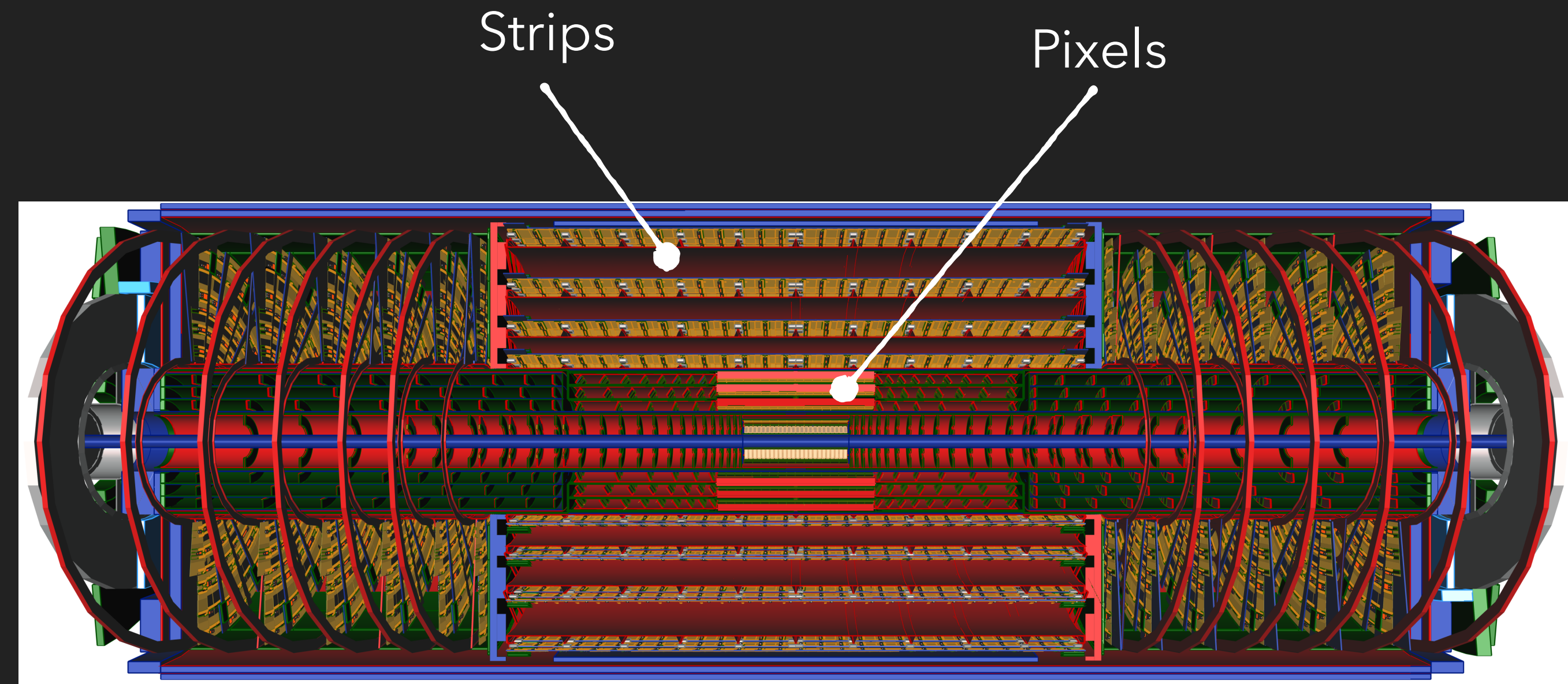
10x Data Collected



# Inner Tracker (ITk) Upgrade



**Inner Detector**



**Inner Tracker**

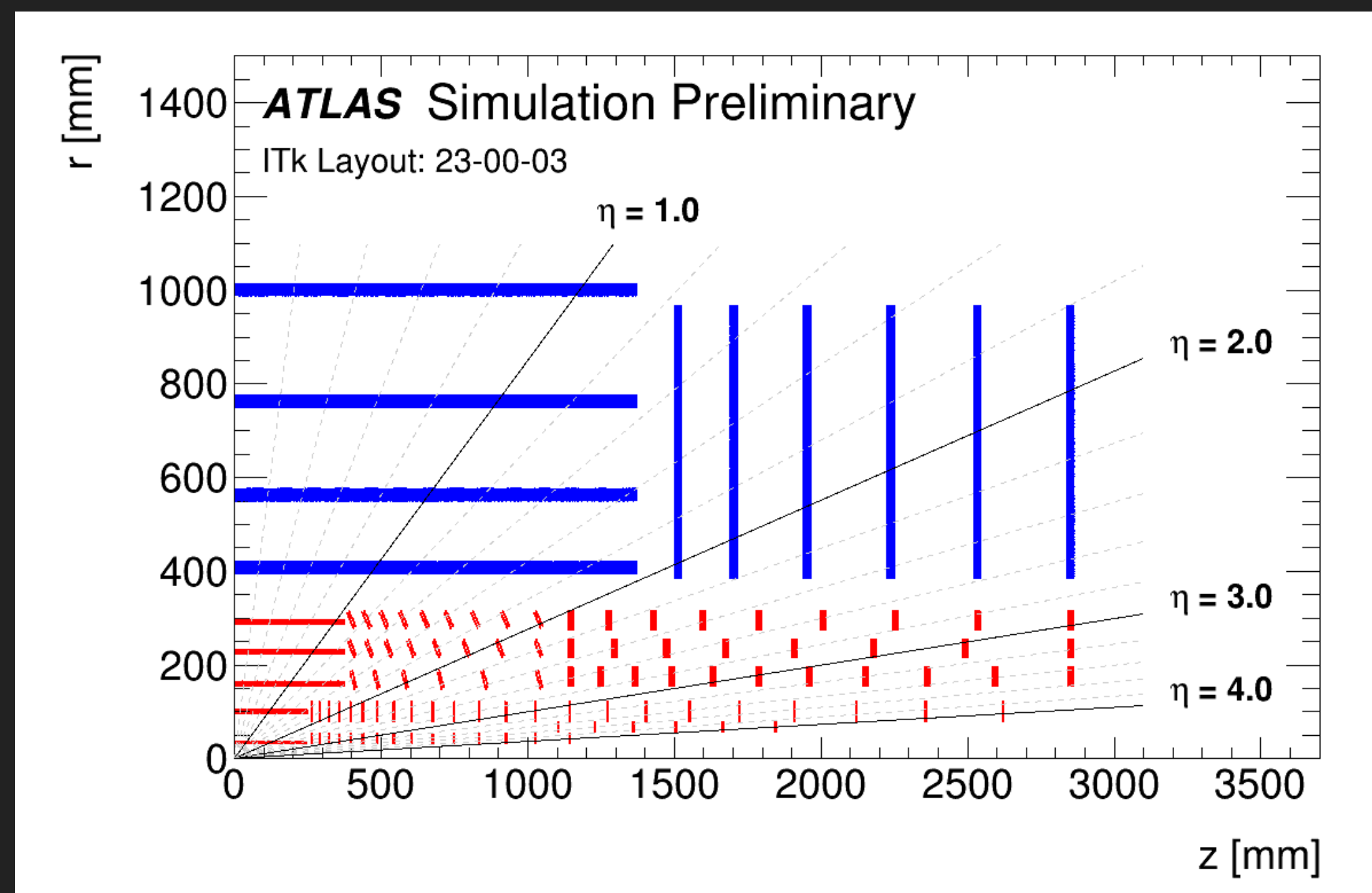
ITk is an all-silicon detector with **similar or better performance** as ID in harsher conditions

More readout channels

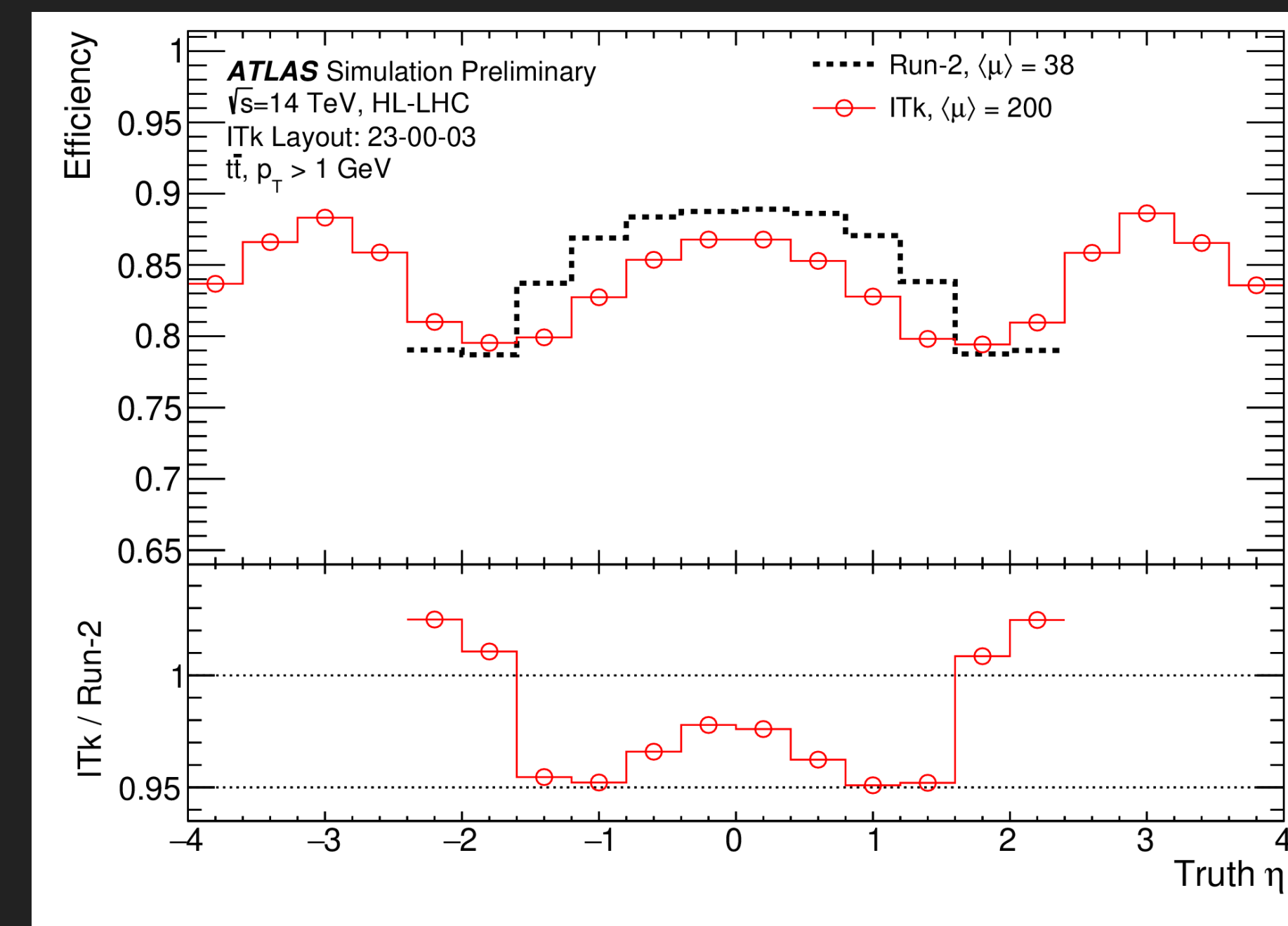
Higher resolution

More radiation hard

# Inner Tracker (ITk) Upgrade



Tracker acceptance from 2.5 (ID) to 4.0 (ITk)  
Adds track information for jets with  $\eta > 2.5$  which is not available with the current Inner Detector



Allows for jet flavor identification, better jet-primary vertex tagging, and pileup jet rejection.  
Significant background suppression in the VBF  $H \rightarrow WW$  channel which has forward jets!

# Stave Assembly

- ▶ Stationed at Brookhaven National Lab for 2 years as a key member of the stave assembly and testing team
- ▶ Built the first 28 module stave – critical prototype for the stave assembly step to pass the Final Design Review

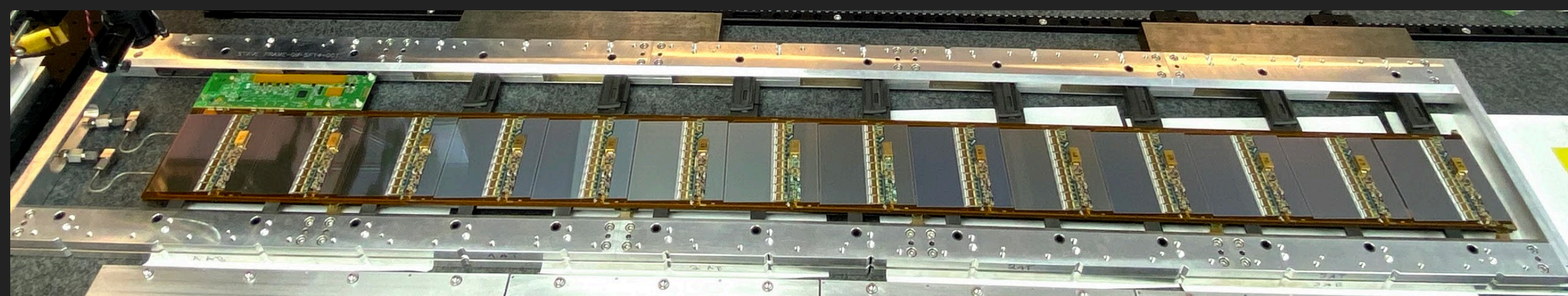


**Strip Module** –

Smallest individual detector



**Stave Core** – Mechanical and electrical support to the modules



One side of the first 28 module **stave** prototype built with 50  $\mu$ m accuracy

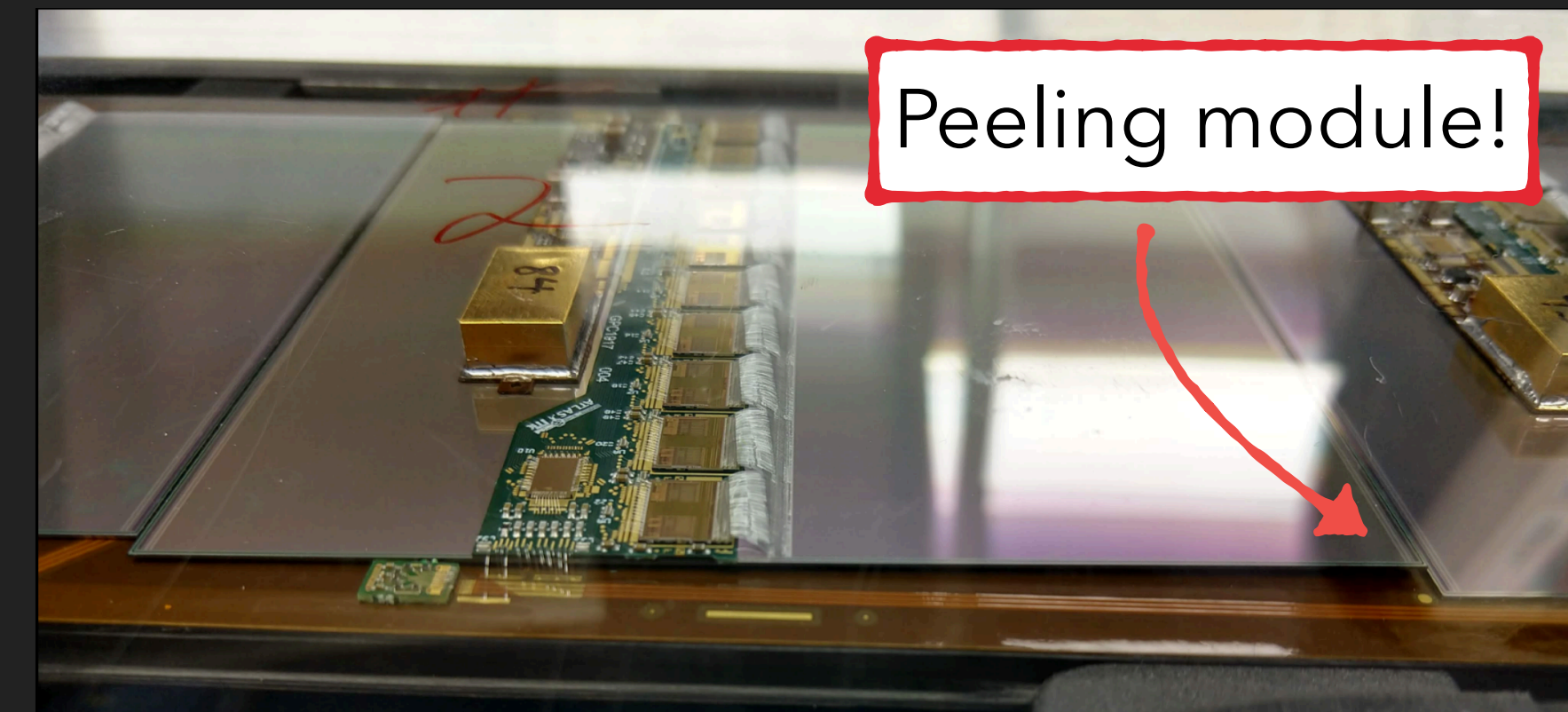
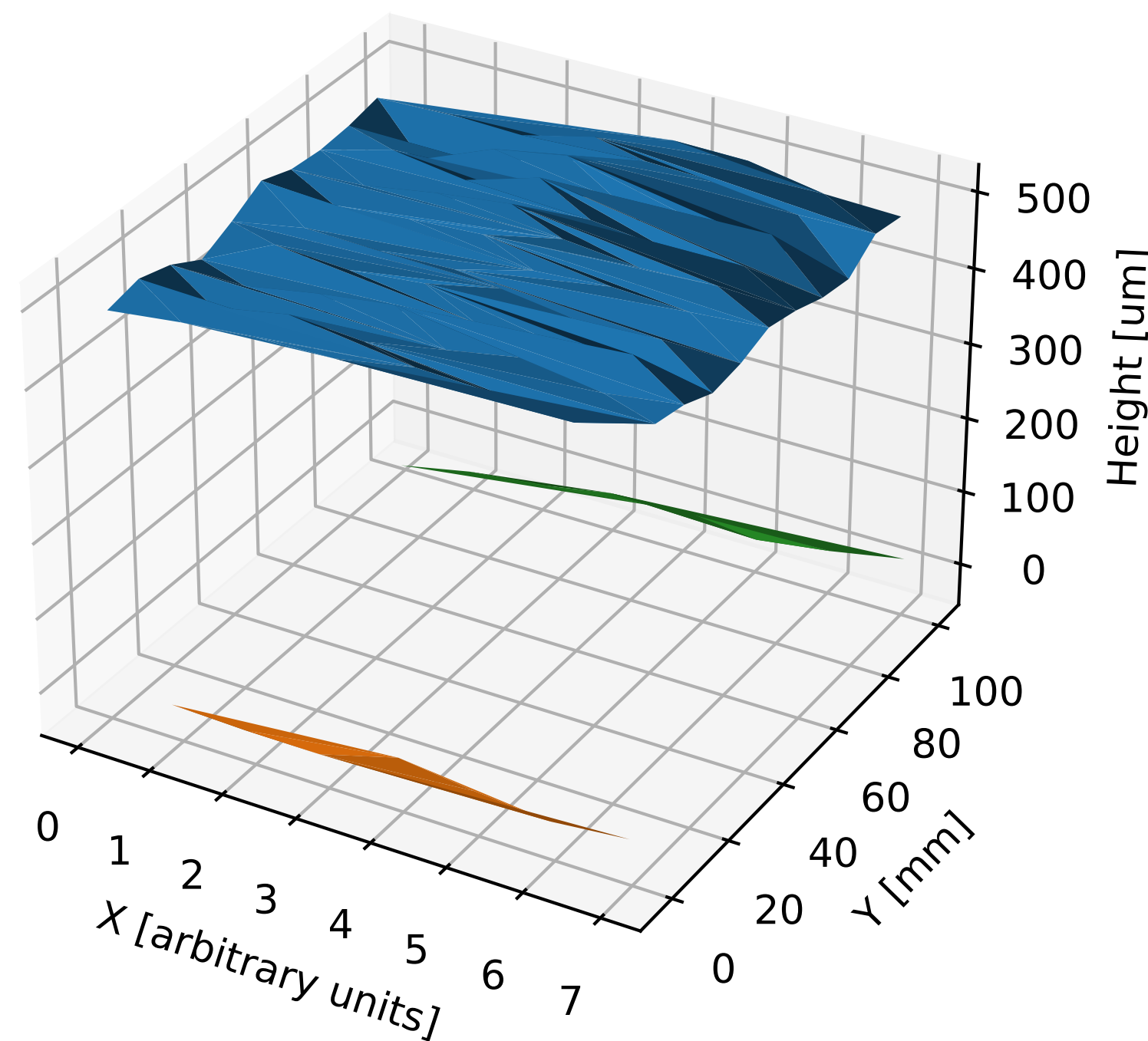


Radiation hard glue (pattern since evolved)

# Stave Metrology

- ▶ Set-up the first out-of-plane metrology apparatus for staves using a laser based measurement device
- ▶ Necessary quality control step to ensure stave insertion clearance and timely defect catching

Moduled placed within specification



## VBF $H \rightarrow WW$ Precision Measurements

- ▶ Strong probe of physics beyond the SM putting the structure of Electroweak Symmetry Breaking to test
- ▶ First fully fiducial differential cross section measurement in the  $e + \mu + 2\text{jets} + E_T^{\text{miss}}$  final state
- ▶ Measured cross sections as functions of 13 kinematic observables and correlations
- ▶ Constrained Wilson coefficients for CP-even and CP-odd operators in an EFT framework
- ▶ Technique paves the way for future measurements of low cross section processes hidden under backgrounds

## Phase-II of ATLAS

- ▶ 3000 fb<sup>-1</sup> of  $pp$  collision data allows probing rare processes with extremely high precision putting SM to test
- ▶ Enhanced detector acceptance and reconstruction techniques add sensitivity to VBF  $H \rightarrow WW$  measurement

Accepted Paper

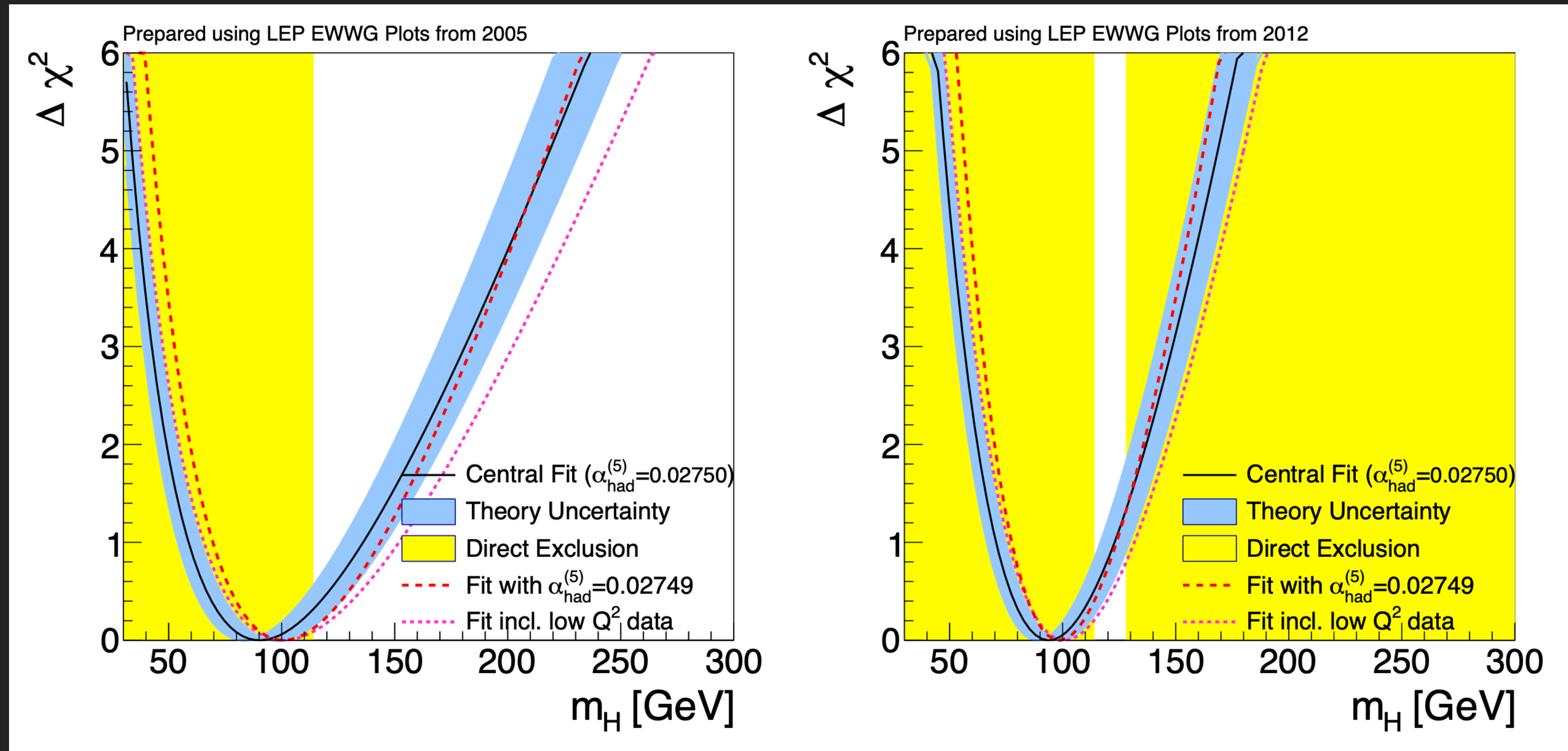
[arXiv:2304.03053](https://arxiv.org/abs/2304.03053)

Integrated and differential fiducial cross-section measurements for the vector boson fusion production of the Higgs boson in the  $H \rightarrow WW^* \rightarrow e\nu\mu\nu$  decay channel at 13 TeV with the ATLAS detector

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# ADDITIONAL MATERIAL

# Higgs Mass Constraints from EW Precision Measurements



# Model Independent Probe

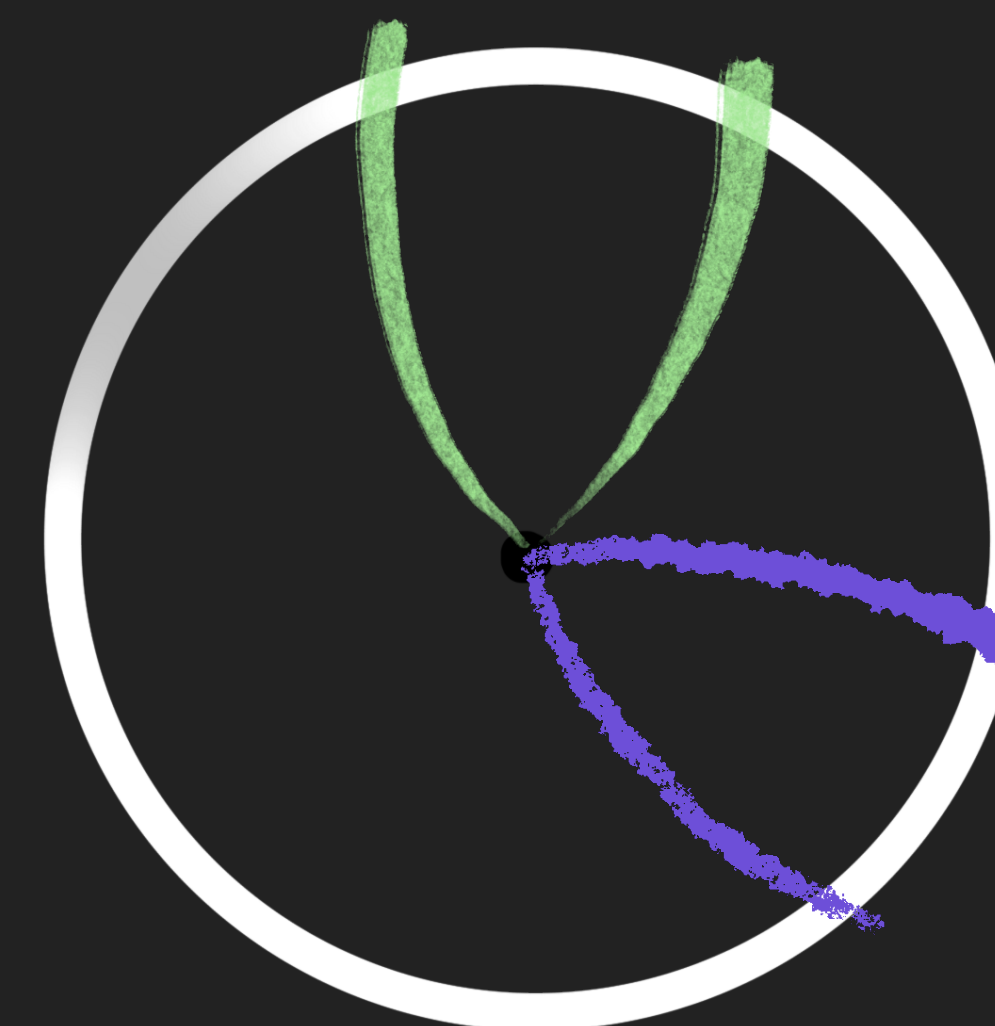
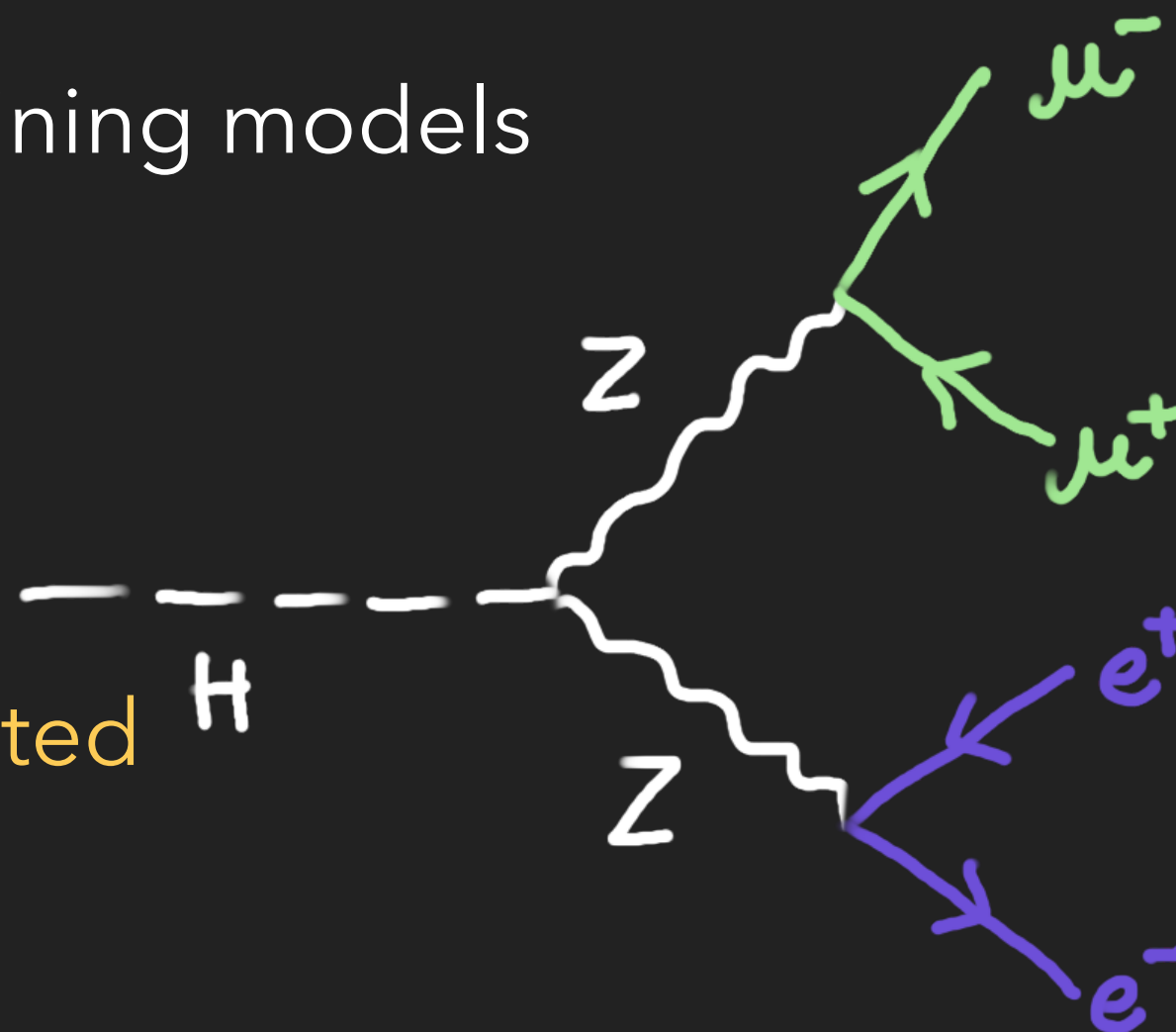
Model independency  $\leftrightarrow$  low-model dependency

Sources of model dependency

- ▶ Phase space definition
- ▶ Profile-likelihood fit
- ▶ Machine learning methods relying on training models
- ▶ Extent of kinematic reconstruction

Reconstructing the kinematics of H is

- ▶ Robust, if the final state is fully reconstructed



Fully reconstructible

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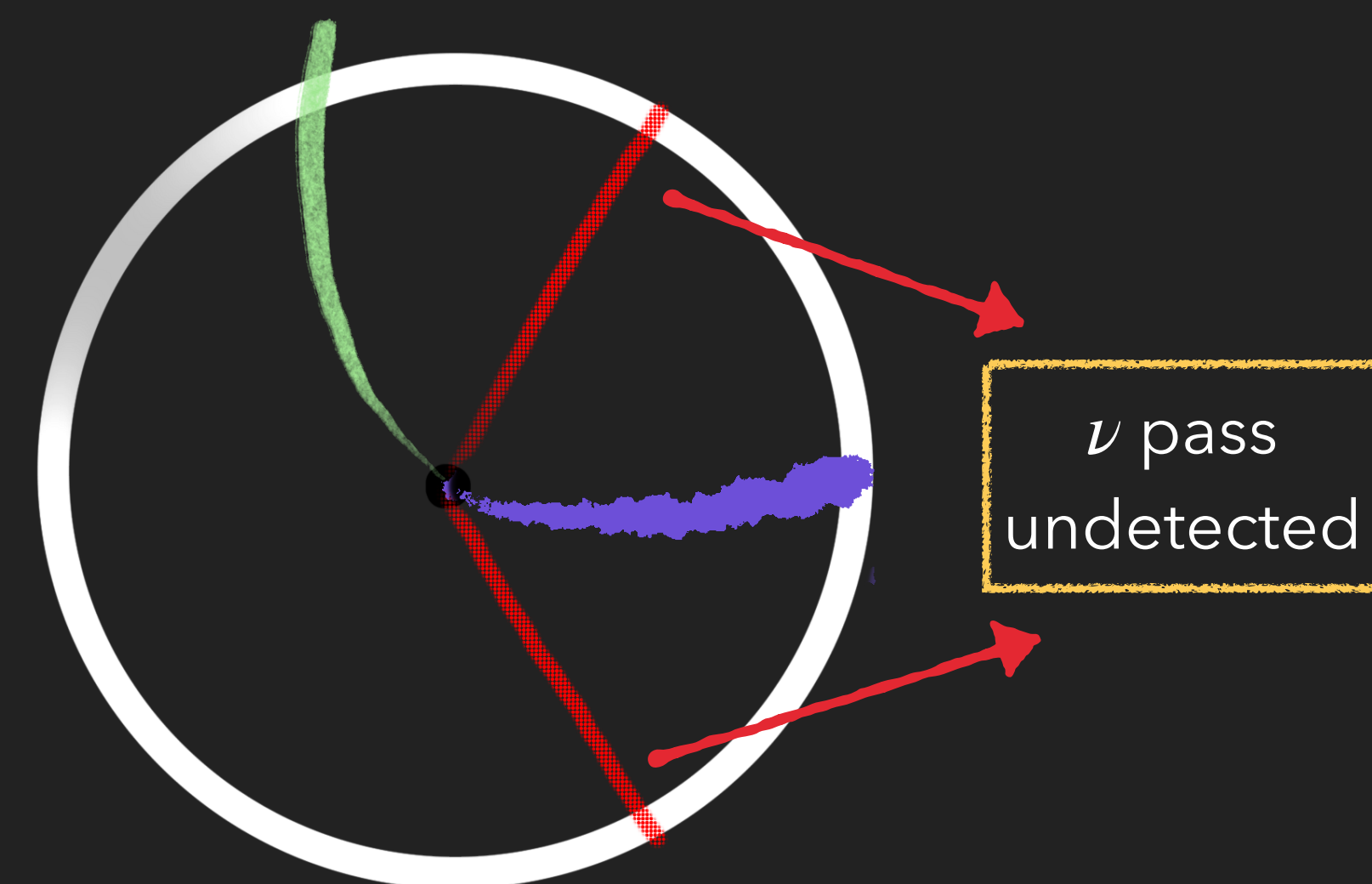
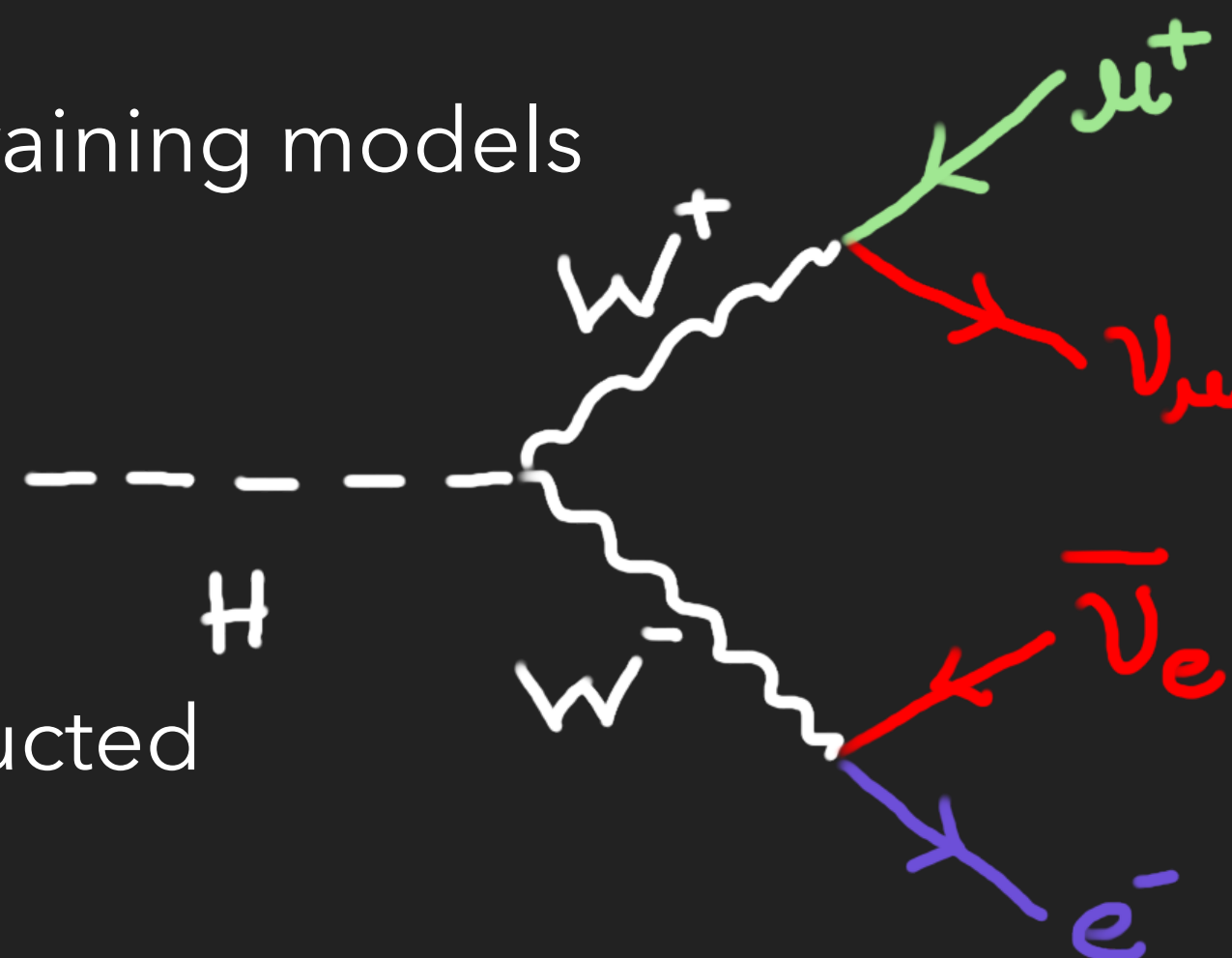
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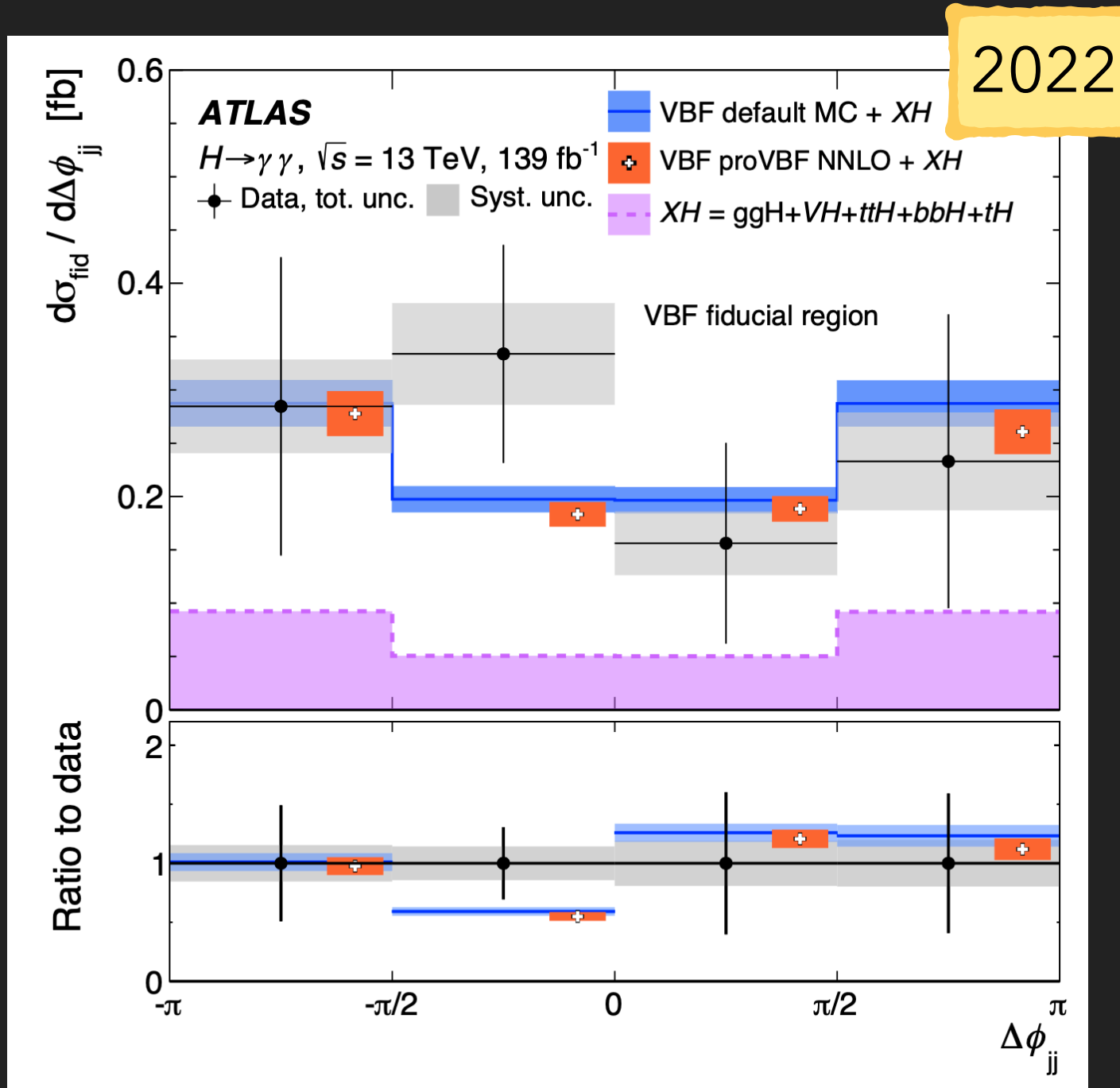
- ▶ Robust, if the final state is fully reconstructed
- ▶ **Model driven, if not**
  - Partial reconstruction –  $\mathbf{E}_T^{\text{miss}}$
  - SM assumption – only  $\nu$  leave  $\mathbf{E}_T^{\text{miss}}$



Reconstructible **only** in the transverse plane

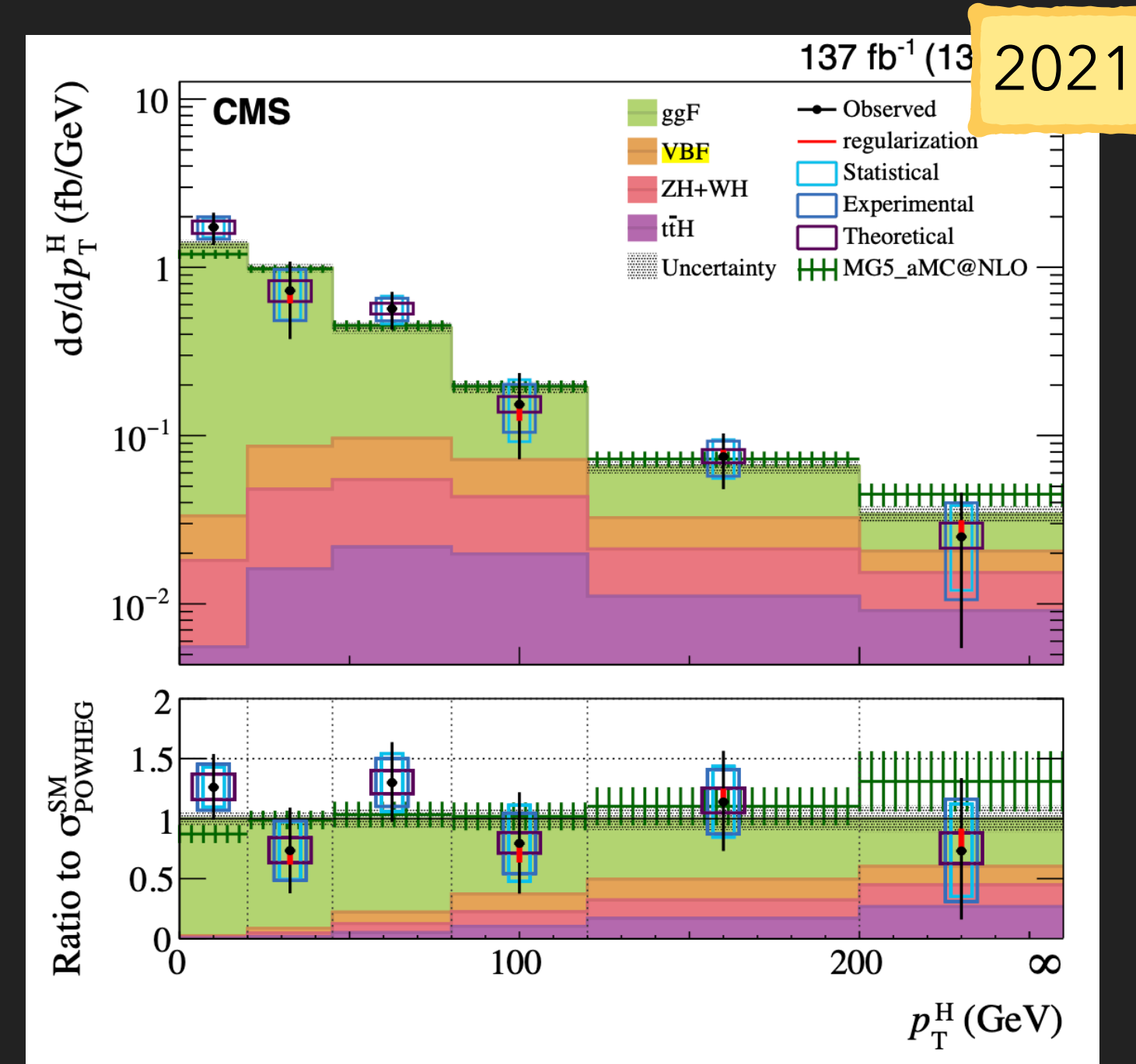
# Learning from previous measurements

VBF  $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$  ([arXiv: 2202.00487](https://arxiv.org/abs/2202.00487))



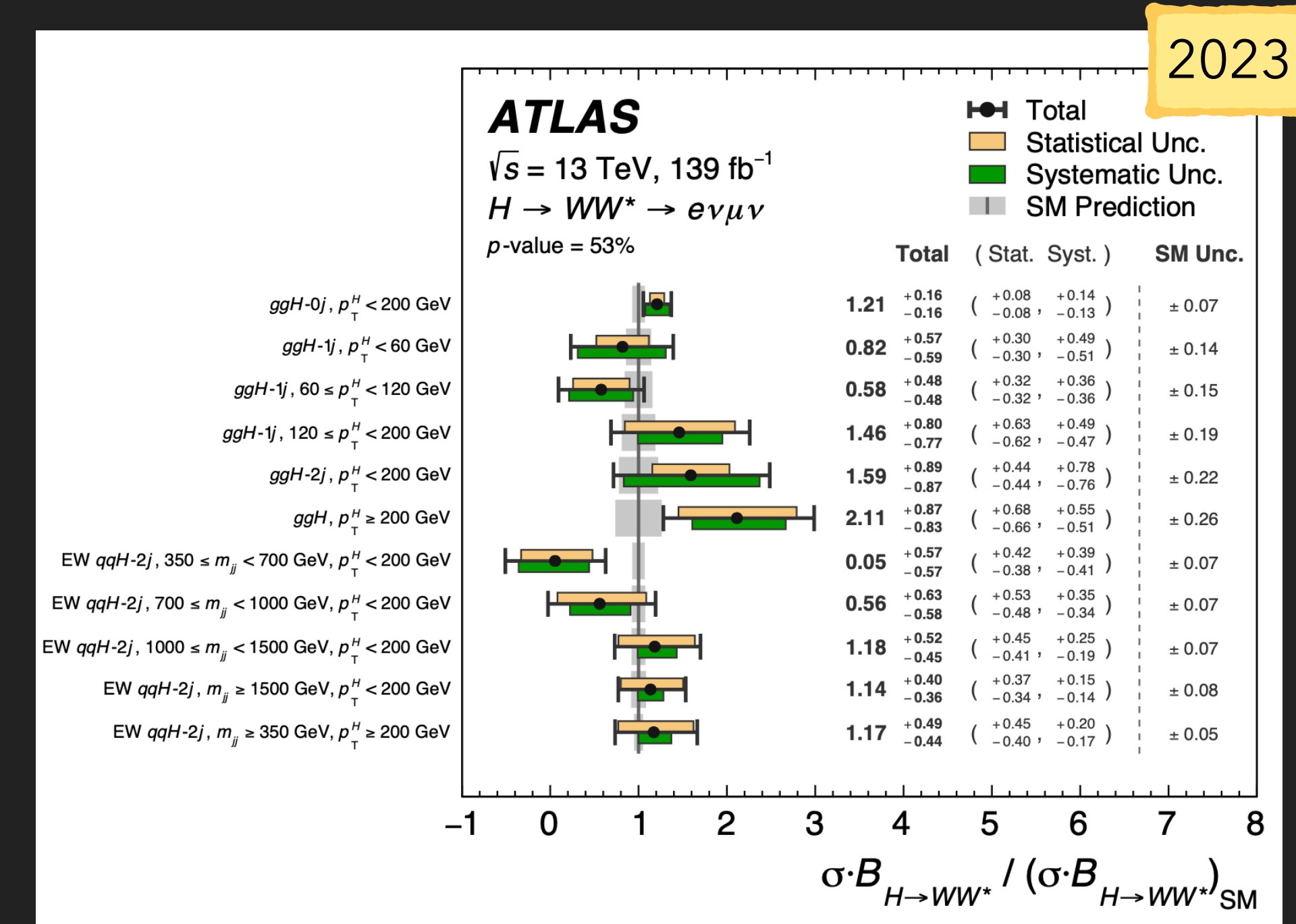
$\gamma\gamma$  fully reconstructible

$H \rightarrow WW$  ([arXiv: 2007.01984](https://arxiv.org/abs/2007.01984))



VBF contribution subdominant

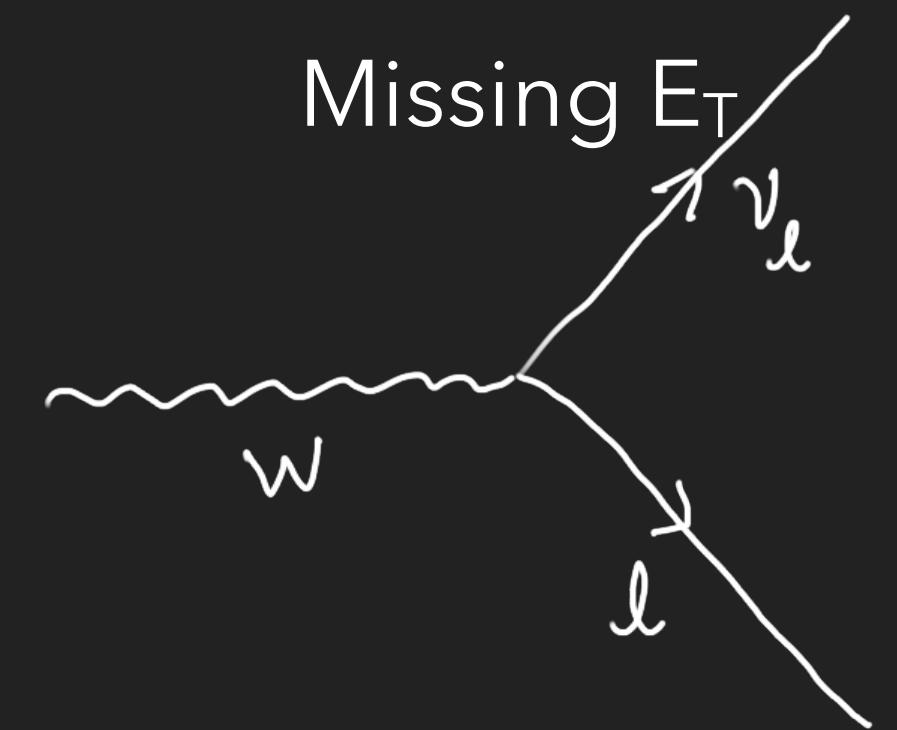
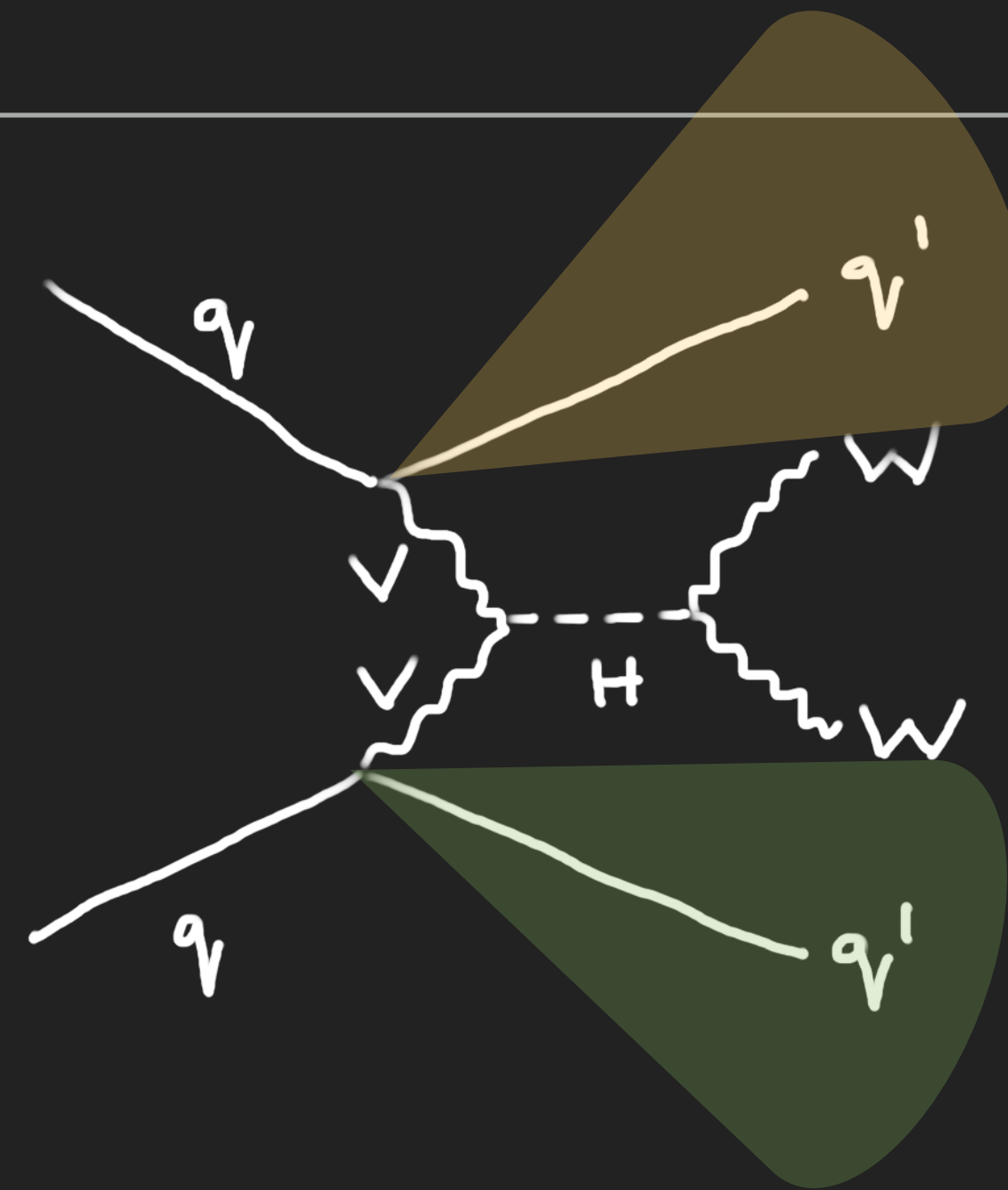
STXS  $H \rightarrow WW$  ([arXiv: 2207.00338](https://arxiv.org/abs/2207.00338))



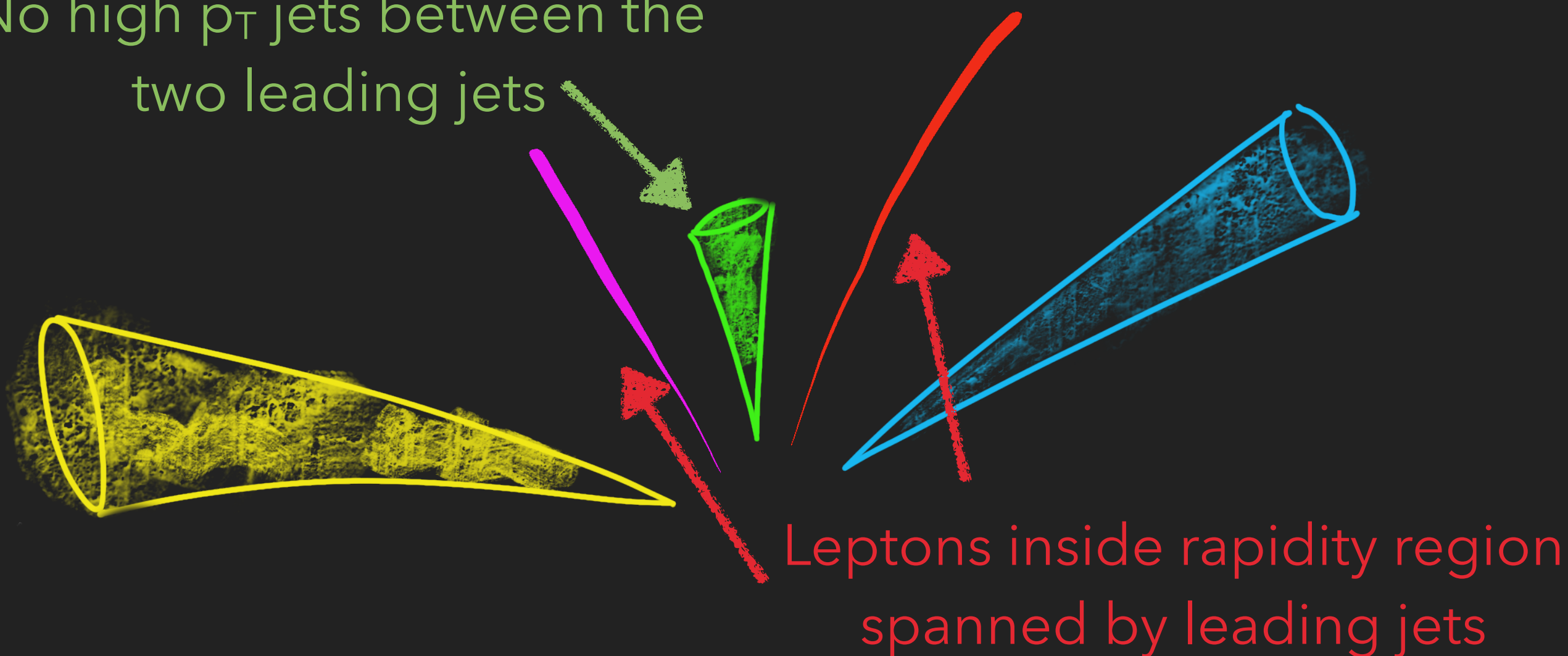
fiducial only in production???

# Target Phase Space

$m_{\tau\tau}$	$< m_Z - 25 \text{ GeV}$
Central jet veto ( $p_T > 20\text{GeV}$ )	yes
Outside lepton veto	yes
$m_{jj}$	$> 450 \text{ GeV}$
$ \Delta y_{jj} $	$> 2.1$
$ \Delta\phi_{\ell\ell} $	$< 1.4 \text{ rad}$



No high  $p_T$  jets between the two leading jets



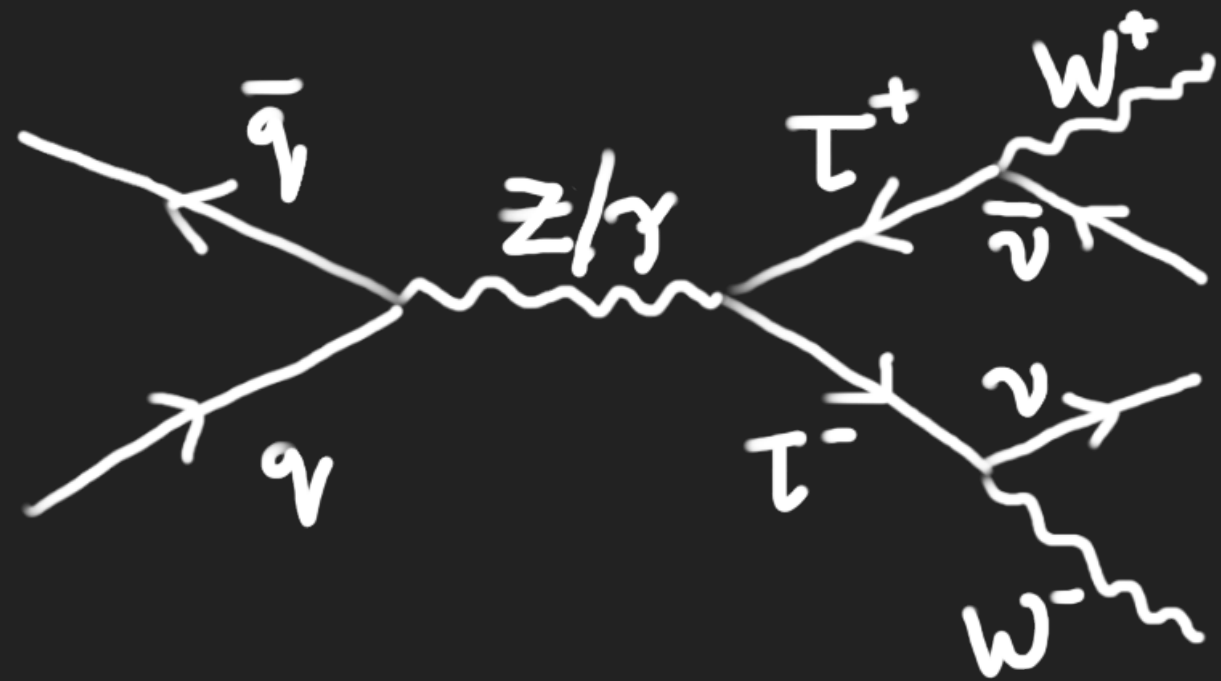
Process	# in SR
VBF H	110
VV	280
Top Induced	420
ggF H	39
Z+Jets	79
W+Jets (Mis-Id)	47
$V\gamma, H_{tt}, V_H$	16
Total S+B	$1000 \pm 120$
Data	916

$m_{\tau\tau} \rightarrow$  inv mass of  $\tau\tau$  system in the collinear approximation (Plehn et al. - [arXiv:hep-ph/9911385](https://arxiv.org/abs/hep-ph/9911385))

# Drell-Yan Background Estimation

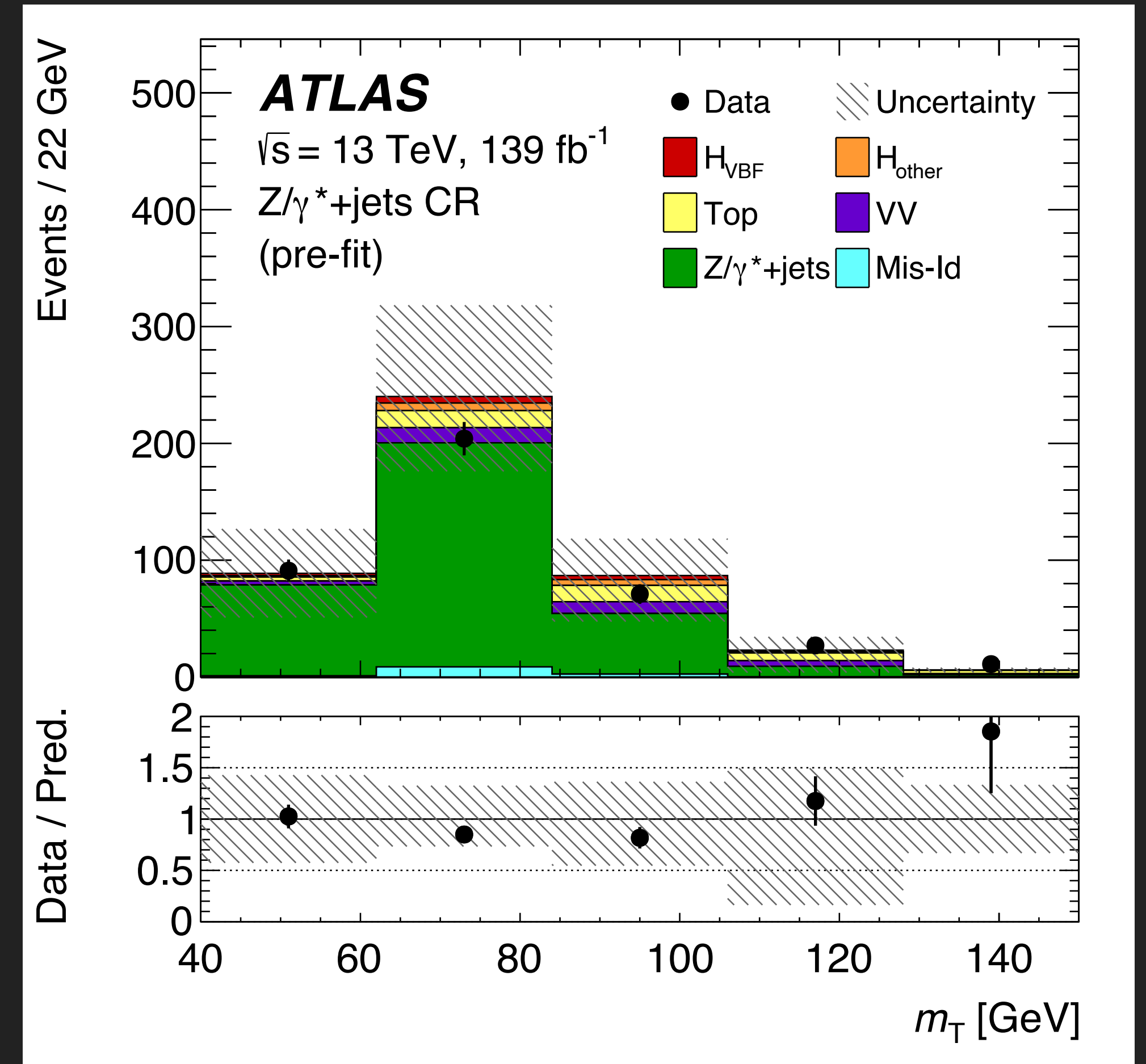
$m_{\tau\tau}$	$66.2 \text{ GeV} < m_{\tau\tau} < 116.2 \text{ GeV}$
Central jet veto ( $p_T > 20\text{GeV}$ )	yes
Outside lepton veto	yes
$m_{jj}$	$> 450 \text{ GeV}$
$m_{\ell\ell}$	$< 80 \text{ GeV}$

$Z/\gamma^* + \text{jets CR definition}$



$m_{\tau\tau} \rightarrow$  invariant mass of  $\tau\tau$  system in the collinear approximation

75%  $Z/\gamma^* + \text{jets}$  purity



$$m_T = \sqrt{(E_T^{\ell\ell} + E_T^{\text{miss}})^2 - |\mathbf{p}_T^{\ell\ell} + \mathbf{E}_T^{\text{miss}}|^2}$$

# gluon fusion Higgs Background Estimation

 $m_{\tau\tau}$ 

 Central jet veto ( $p_T > 20\text{GeV}$ )

Outside lepton veto

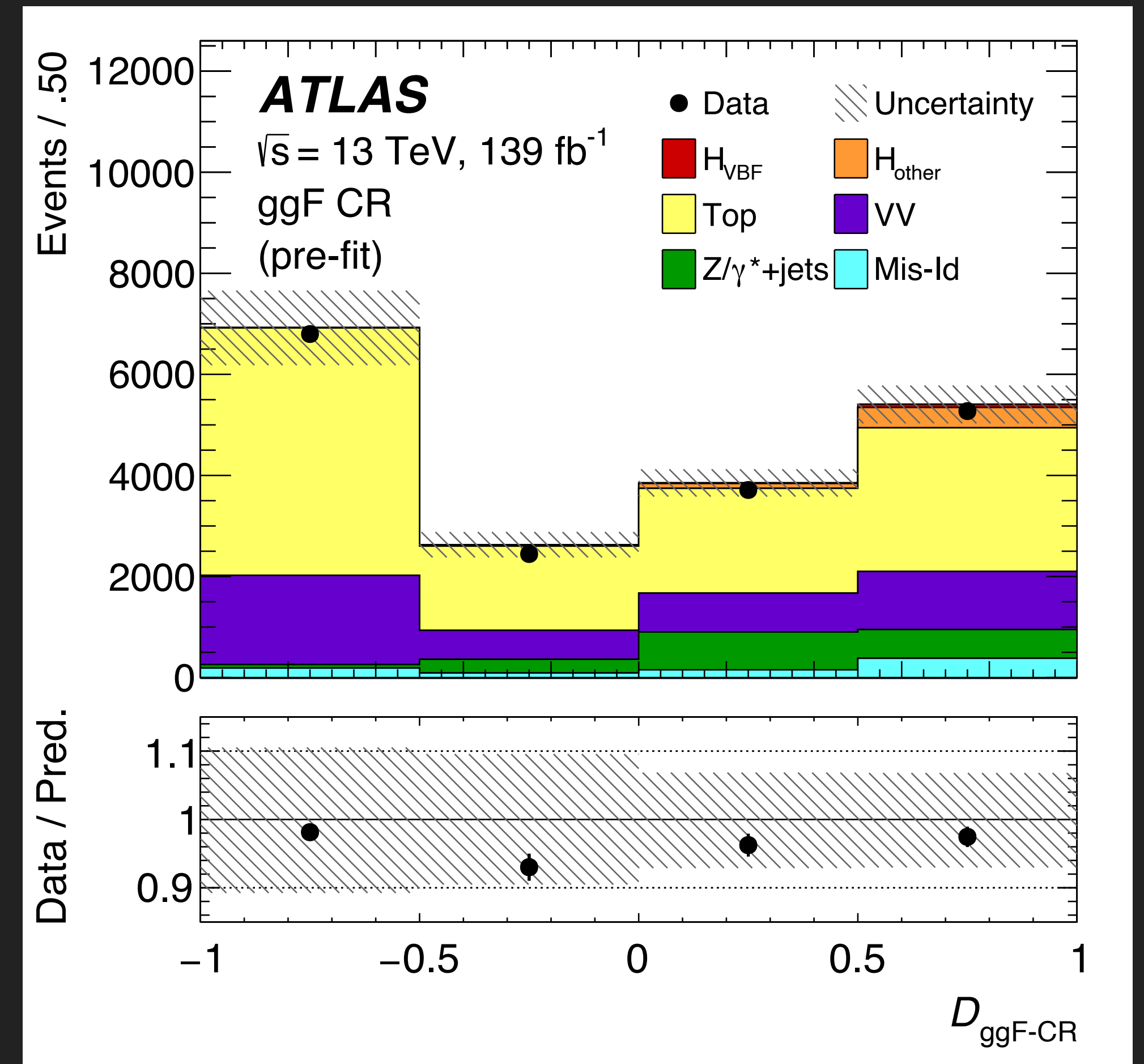
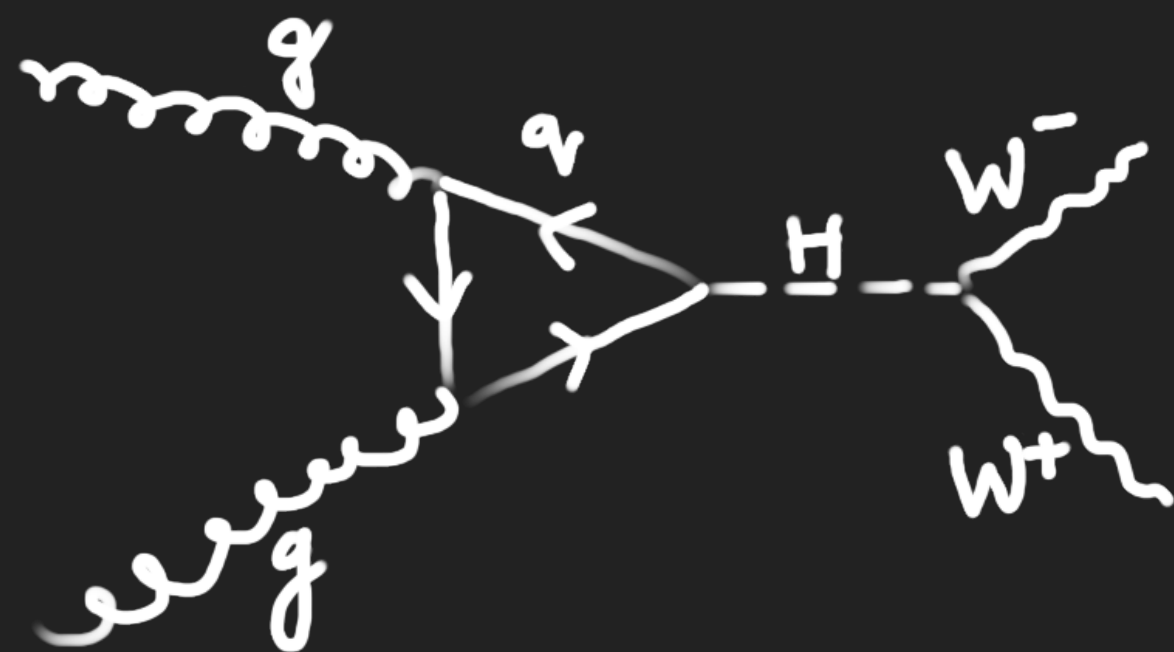
 $|\Delta\phi_{\ell\ell}|$ 
 $< m_Z - 25\text{ GeV}$ 

Exactly 1 fails

 $< 1.4\text{ rad}$ 

ggF CR / anti-VBF definition

- ▶ ggF prediction in the SR needs higher order corrections
- ▶ Complementary info with SR – controls modeling uncertainties
- ▶ 2% purity – high stat unc on ggF norm factor but low extrapolation unc from ggF-CR to SR



BDT trained to separate ggF from other MC

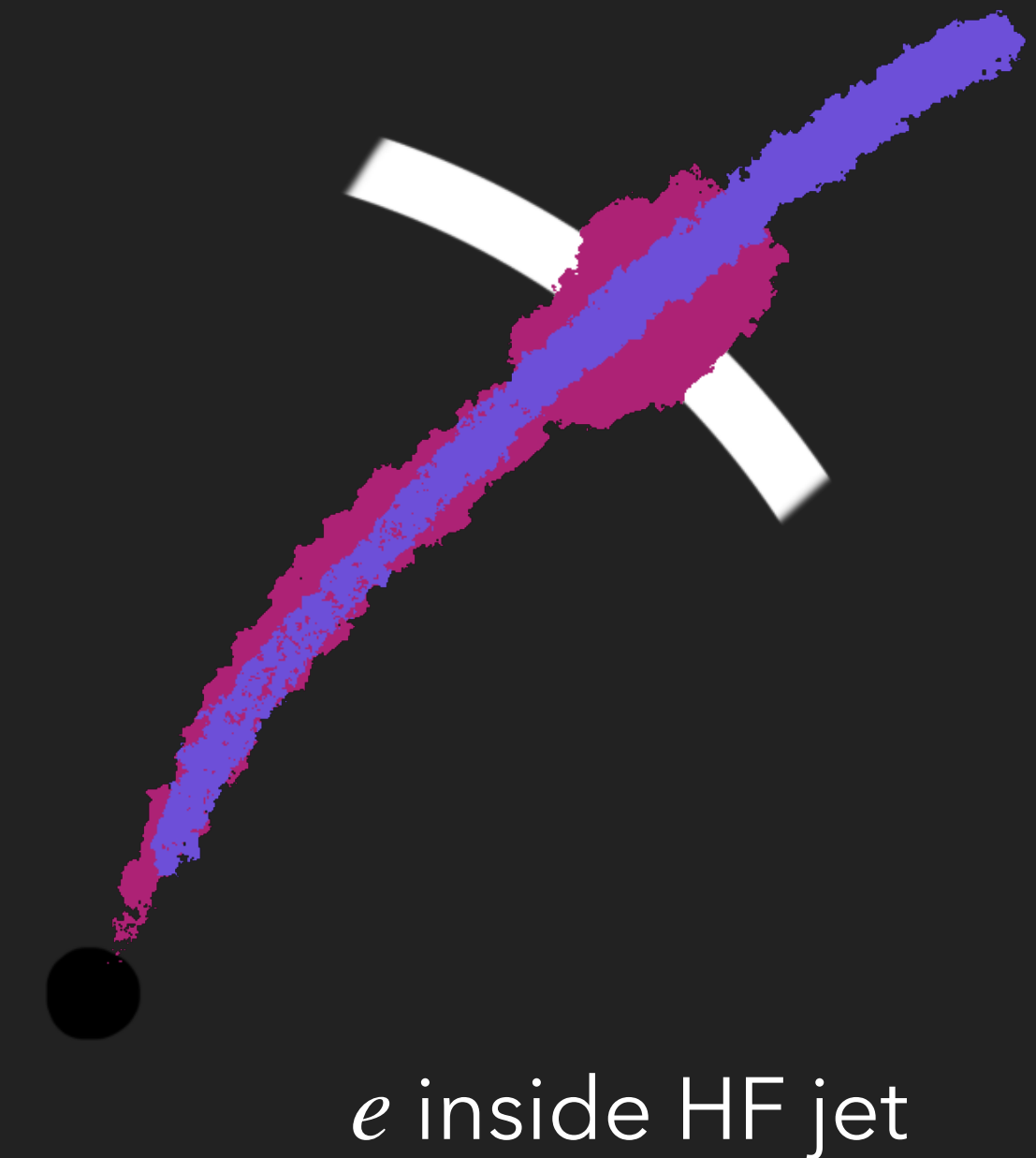
# Mis-identified Leptons

- ▶ Impose strict requirements on the isolation and quality of leptons used in the analysis
- ▶ 5% mis-ID bkg in the SR – difficult to model
- ▶ Using the “fake factor” method to extrapolate from W+jets CR (76% purity of mis-ID bkg) to SR

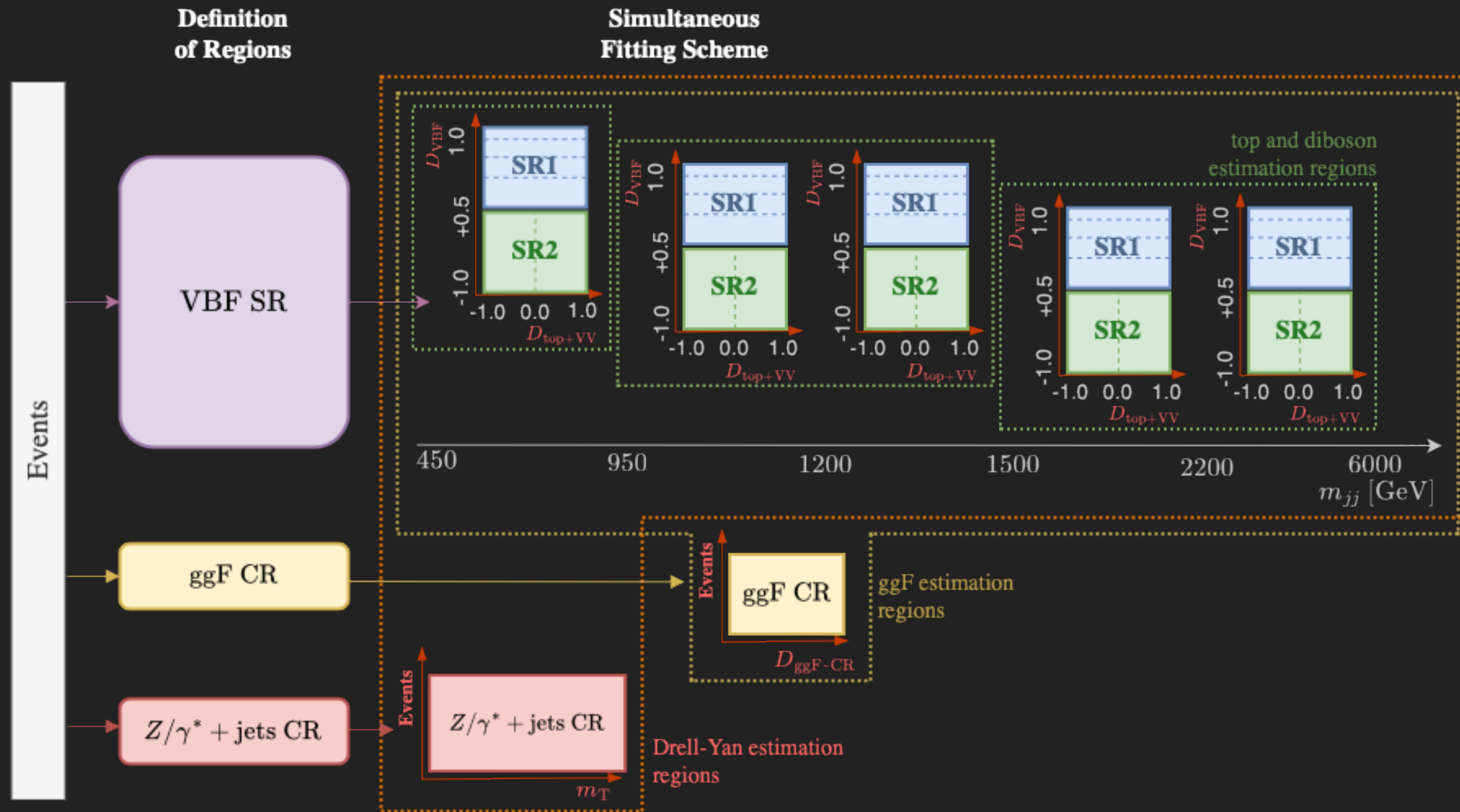


$$F.F. = \frac{N^{i,i,i} - N_{\text{non-Z+jets}}^{i,i,i}}{N^{i,i,a} - N_{\text{non-Z+jets}}^{i,i,a}}$$

F.F. derived in a Z+jets rich region  
 $Z \rightarrow \ell\ell + \text{recoiling } \ell$



# Simultaneous Fit



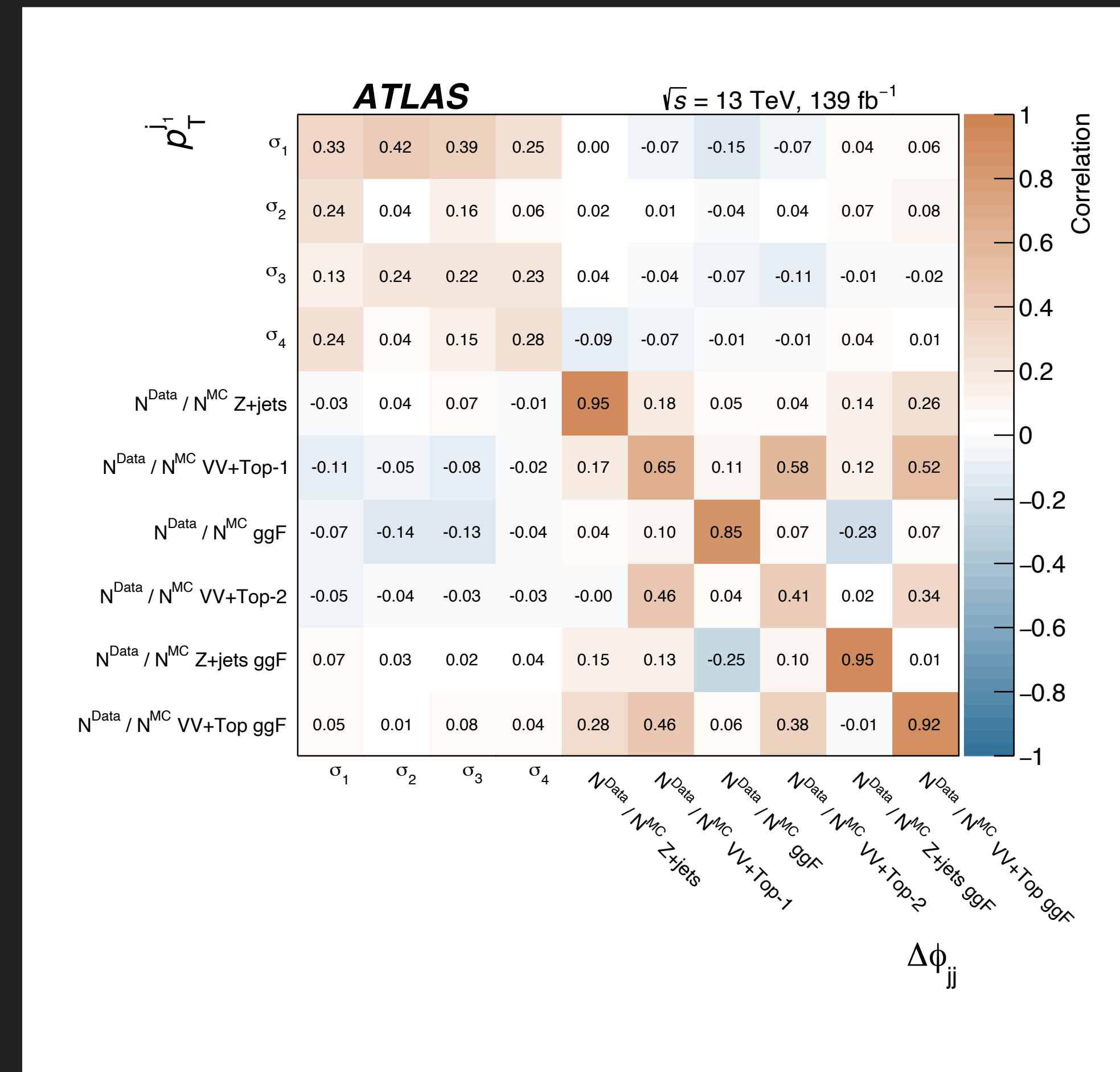
Profile likelihood minimizing fit designed to minimize **total uncertainty** – slight cost of adding stat errors while significantly reducing systematics

# The bootstrapping mechanism

- ▶ Same data events are used to measure any two differential cross-sections  $\Rightarrow$  measurements are correlated
- ▶ We create an ensemble of (pseudo) datasets to evaluate correlations – same data taken in 1000 universes
  1. Weigh data events by Poisson(1)
  2. Binned likelihood minimizing fits for each universe
  3. Statistical covariance between extracted parameters  $a$  and  $b$  –

$$\text{COV}(a, b) = \frac{1}{1000} \sum_{i=1}^{1000} (a_i - \bar{a}) (b_i - \bar{b})$$

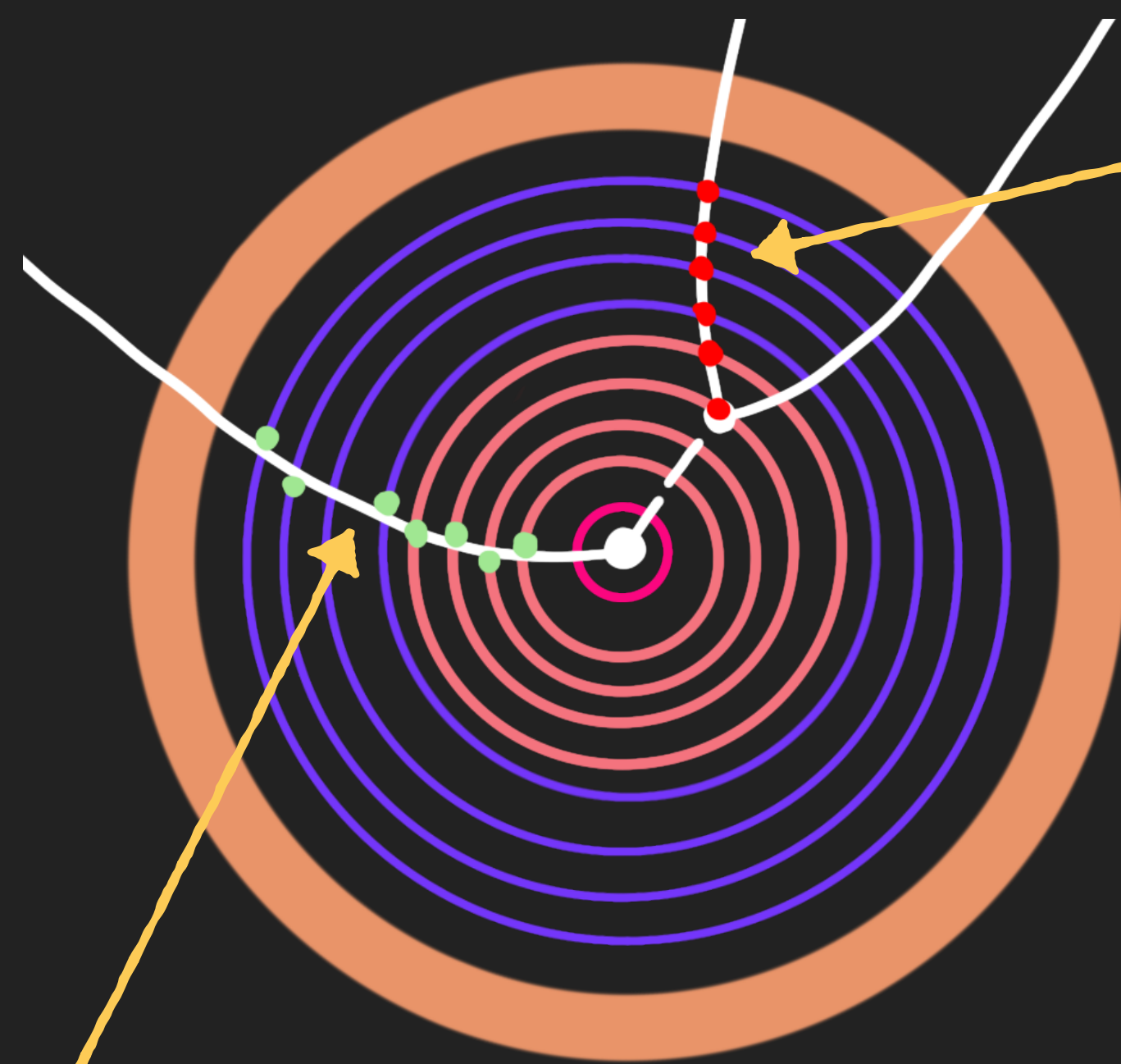
- ▶ Differential XS + correlations = maximal information for theorists!  
Allows interpretations using more than one distribution





# Long Lived Particle searches at ATLAS – A teaser

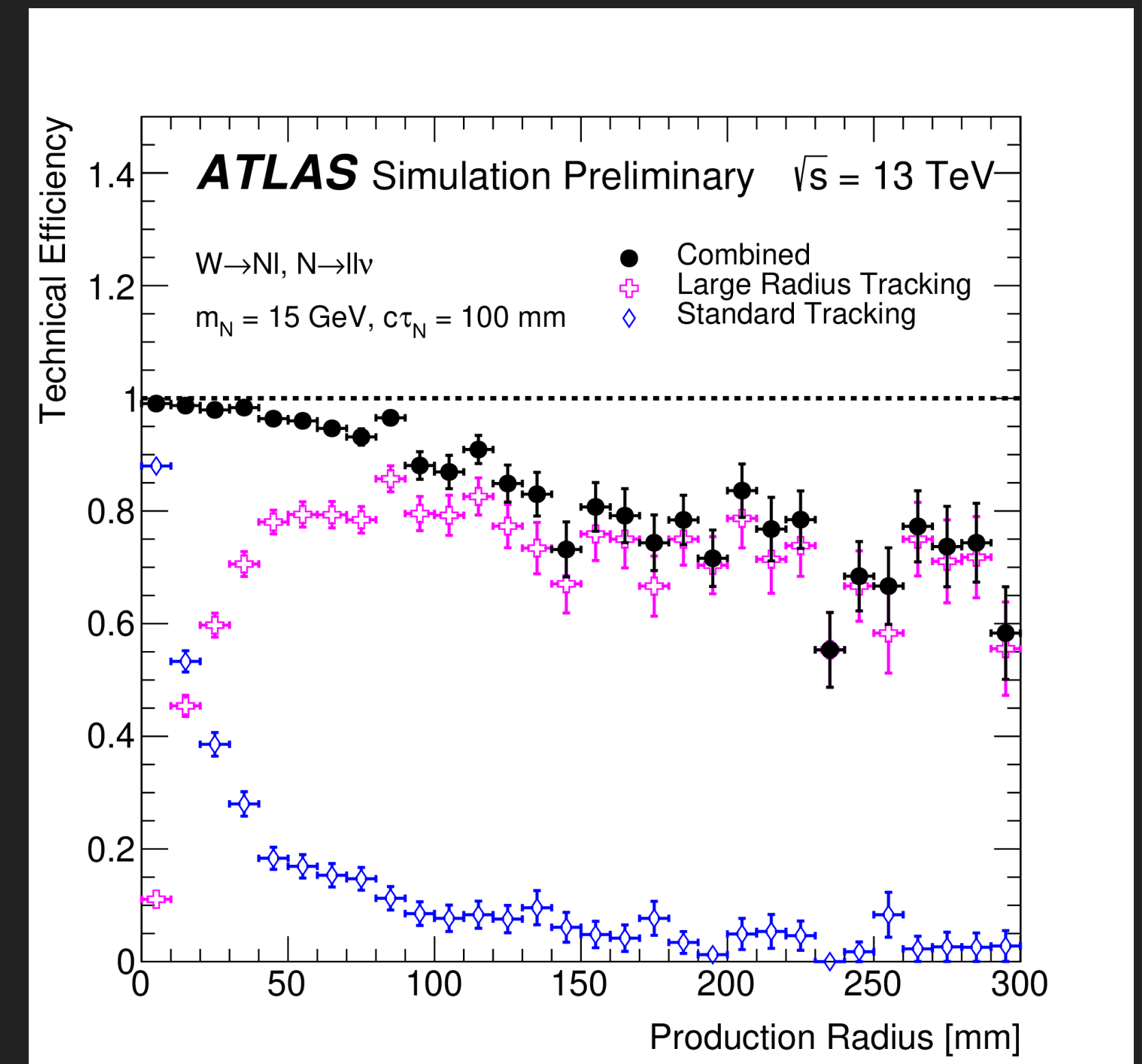
- ▶ LHC Run-3 great time to search for LLPs with the ATLAS detector!
- ▶ Major speed-up in standard tracking makes room for reconstruction of high impact parameter objects



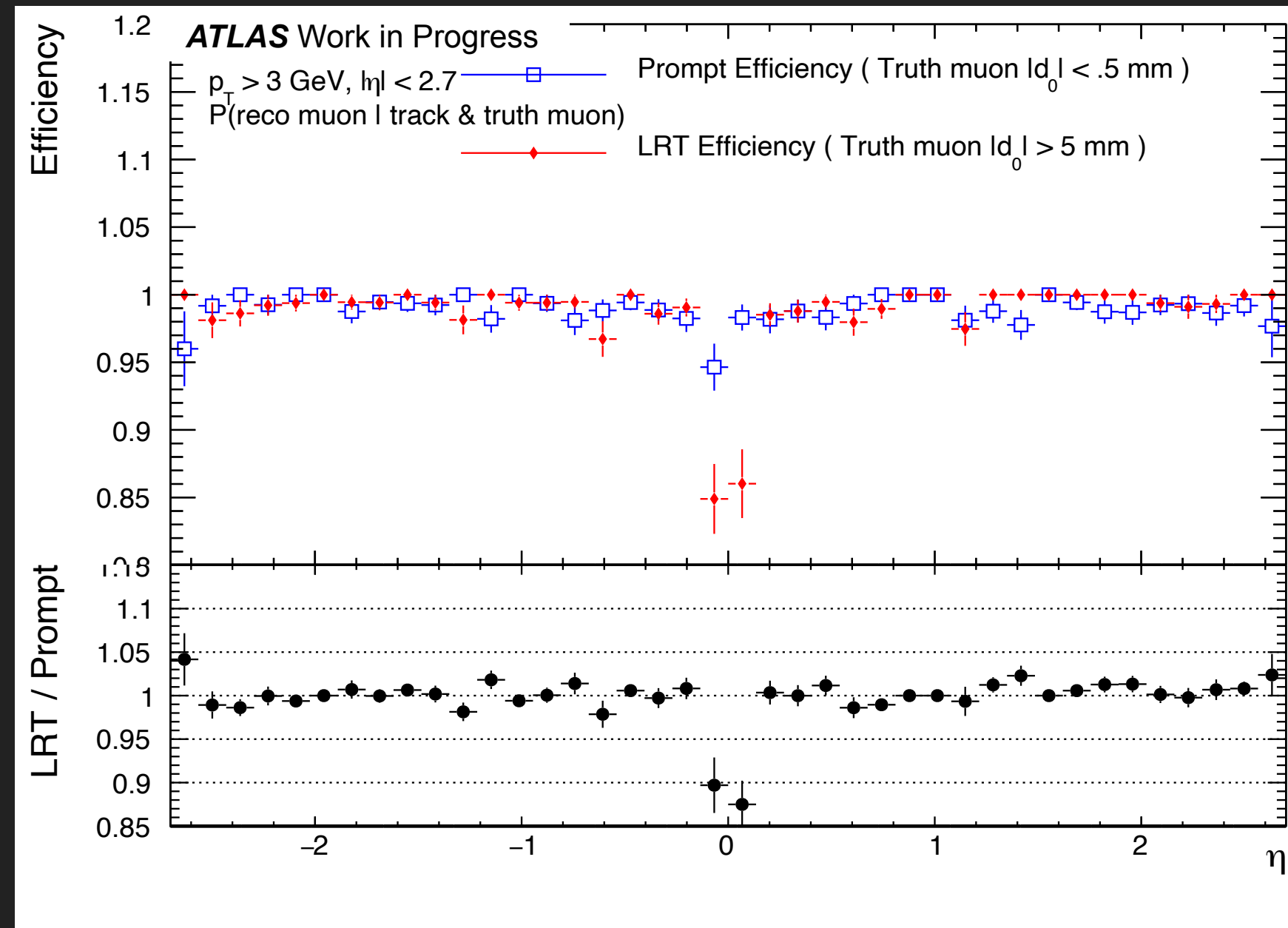
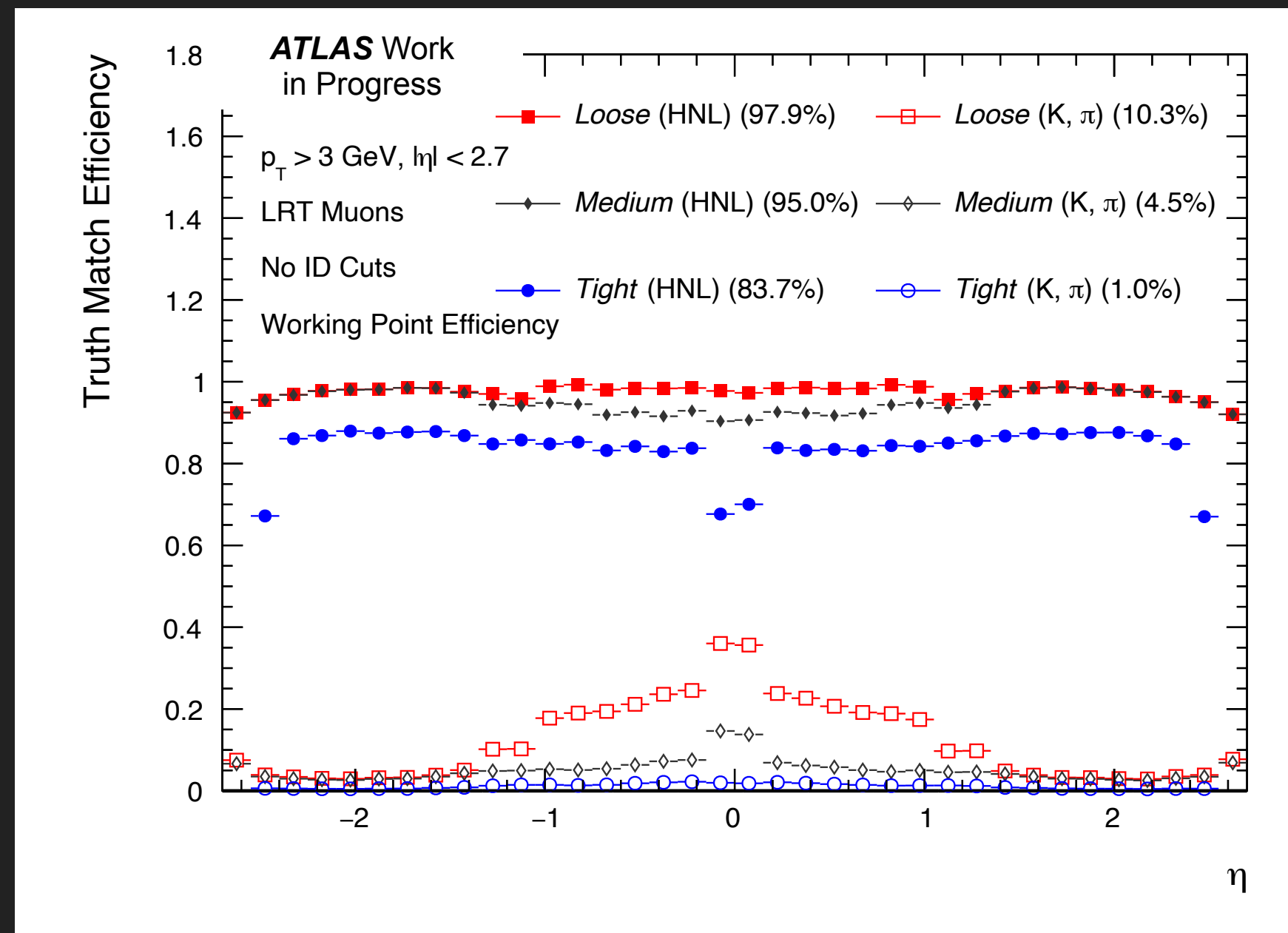
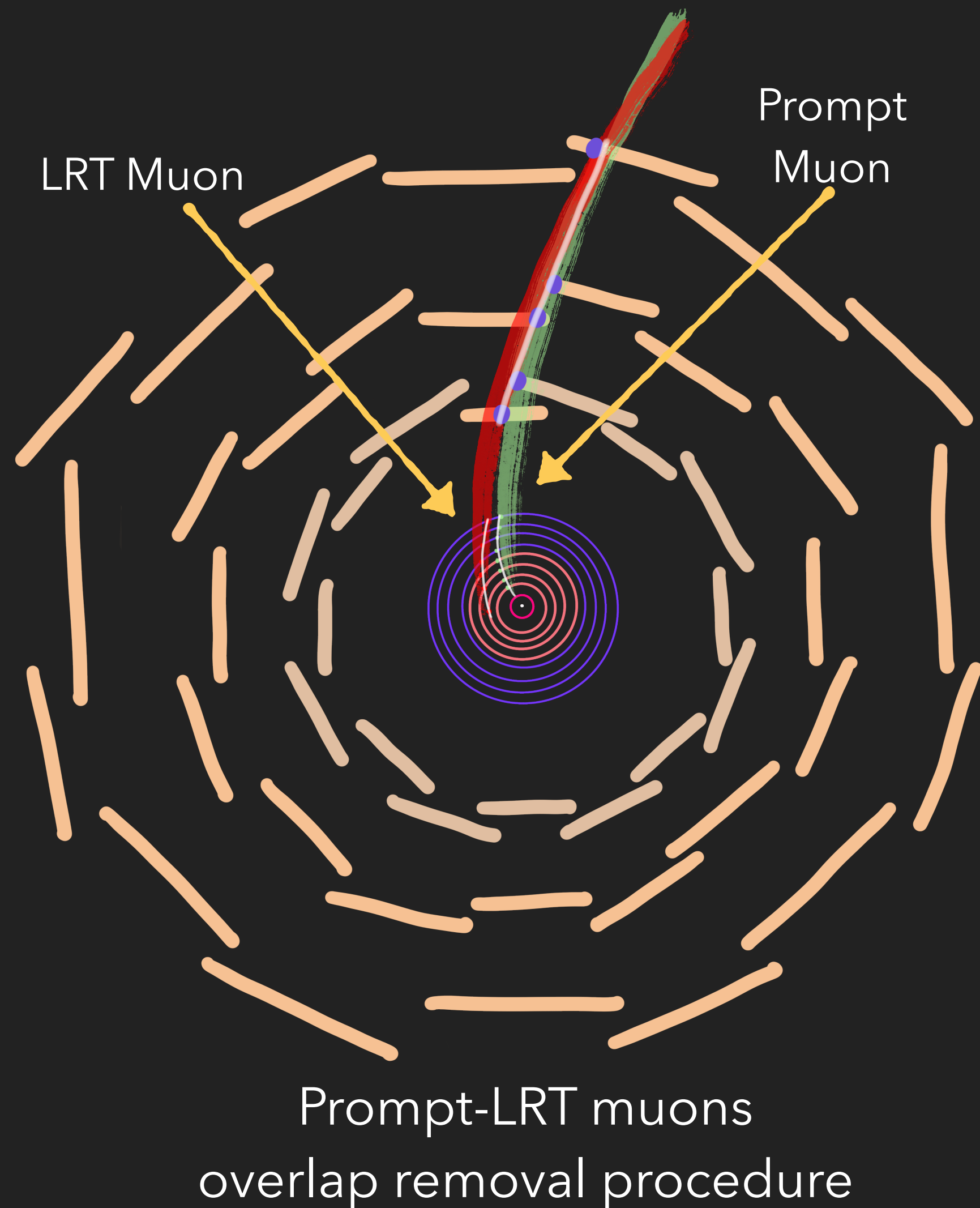
Large Radius Tracking (LRT) used for building tracks with large  $d_0$ . Made with **leftover hits** after prompt pass. Useful for long lived particle searches.

Track built from **ID hits** from the prompt tracking pass optimised for low- $d_0$  ( $< 5$  mm) tracks

$d_0$  = Distance of closest approach



# LRT Muon Performance

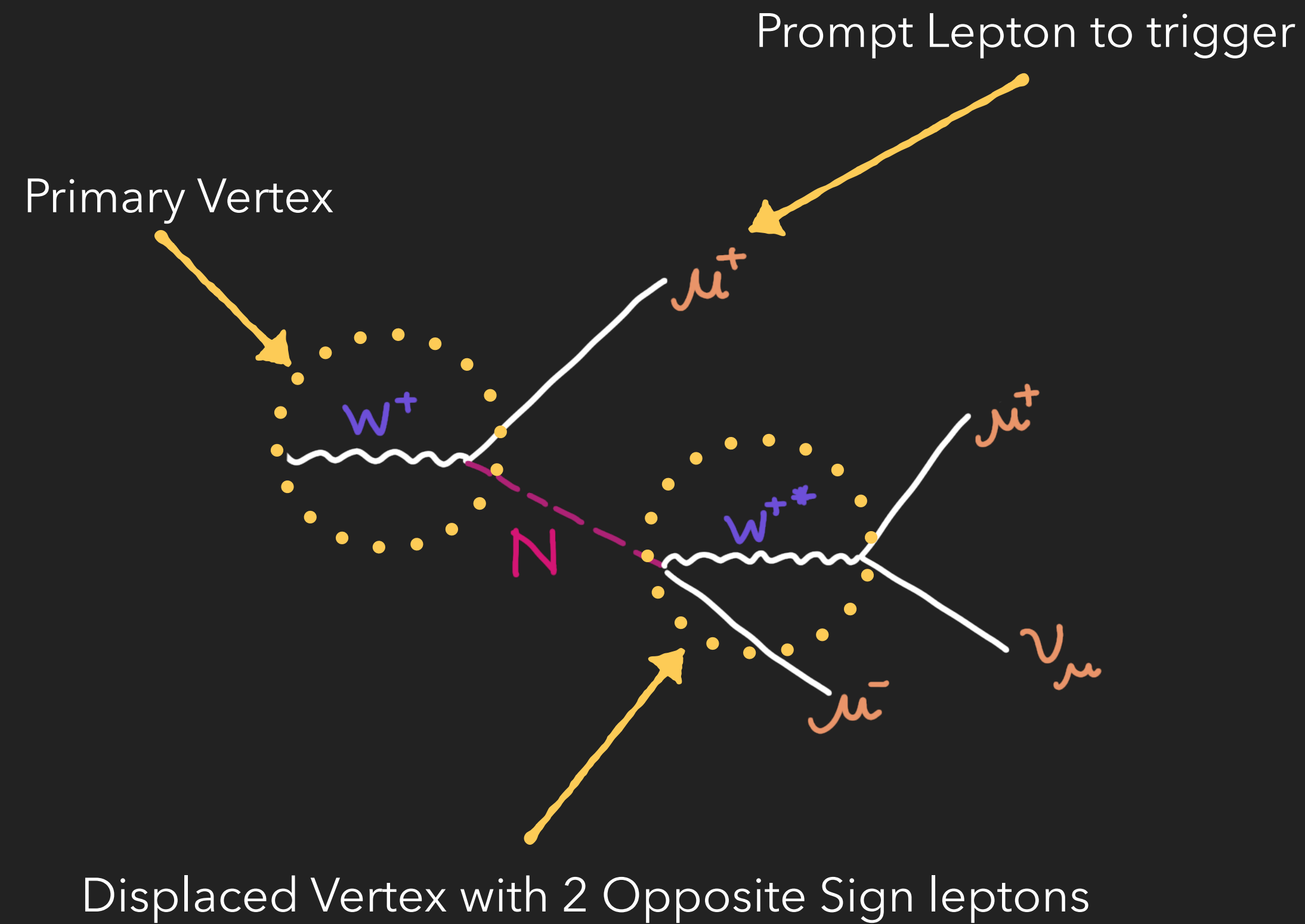


Identification quality /  
working points (WP)  
for LRT muons

Calibration of muon WP

Muon spectrometers "far"  
from the ATLAS tracker –  
insensitive to mm level  
displacements at the  
interaction point

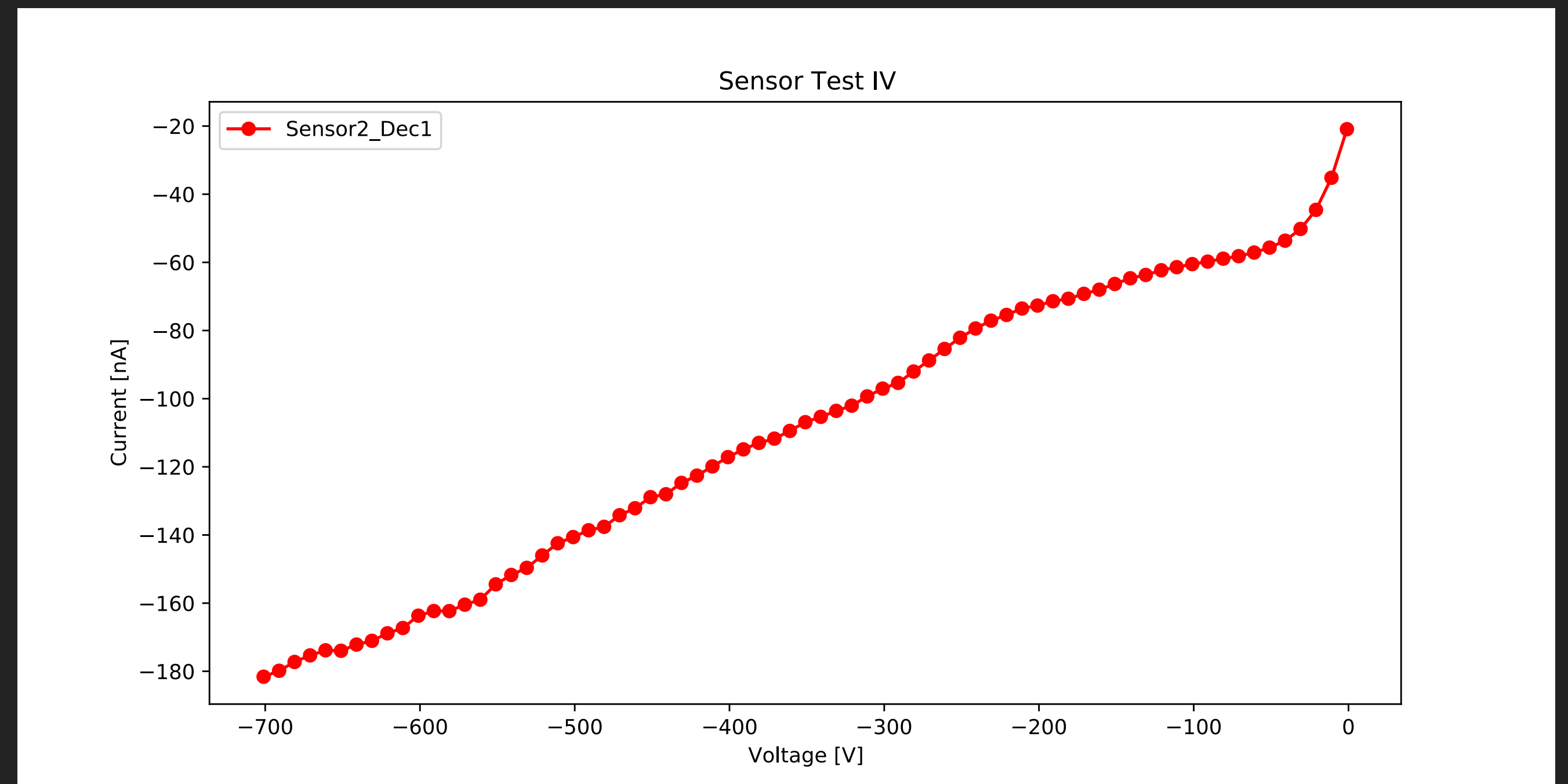
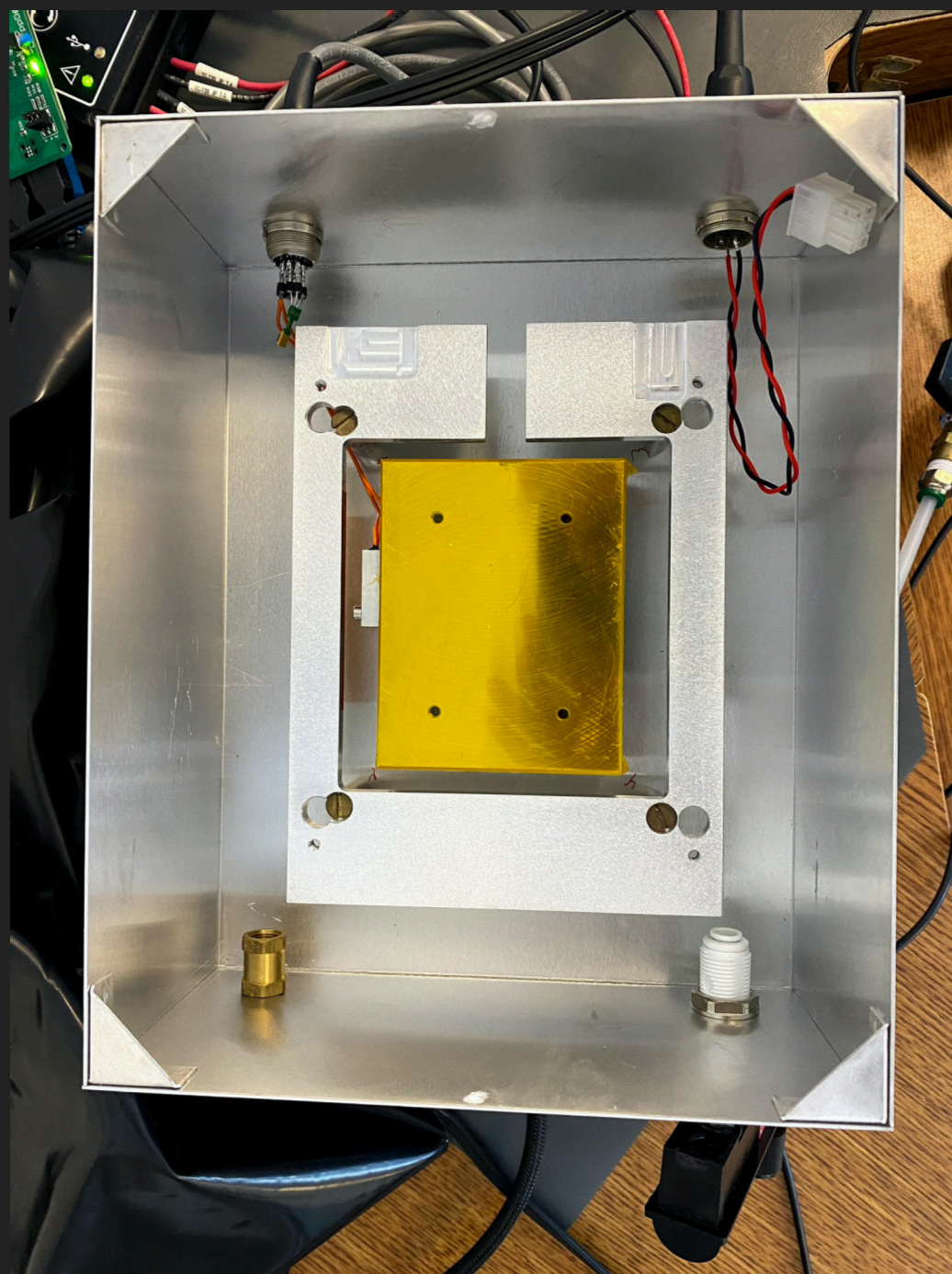
# Using Muon Performance



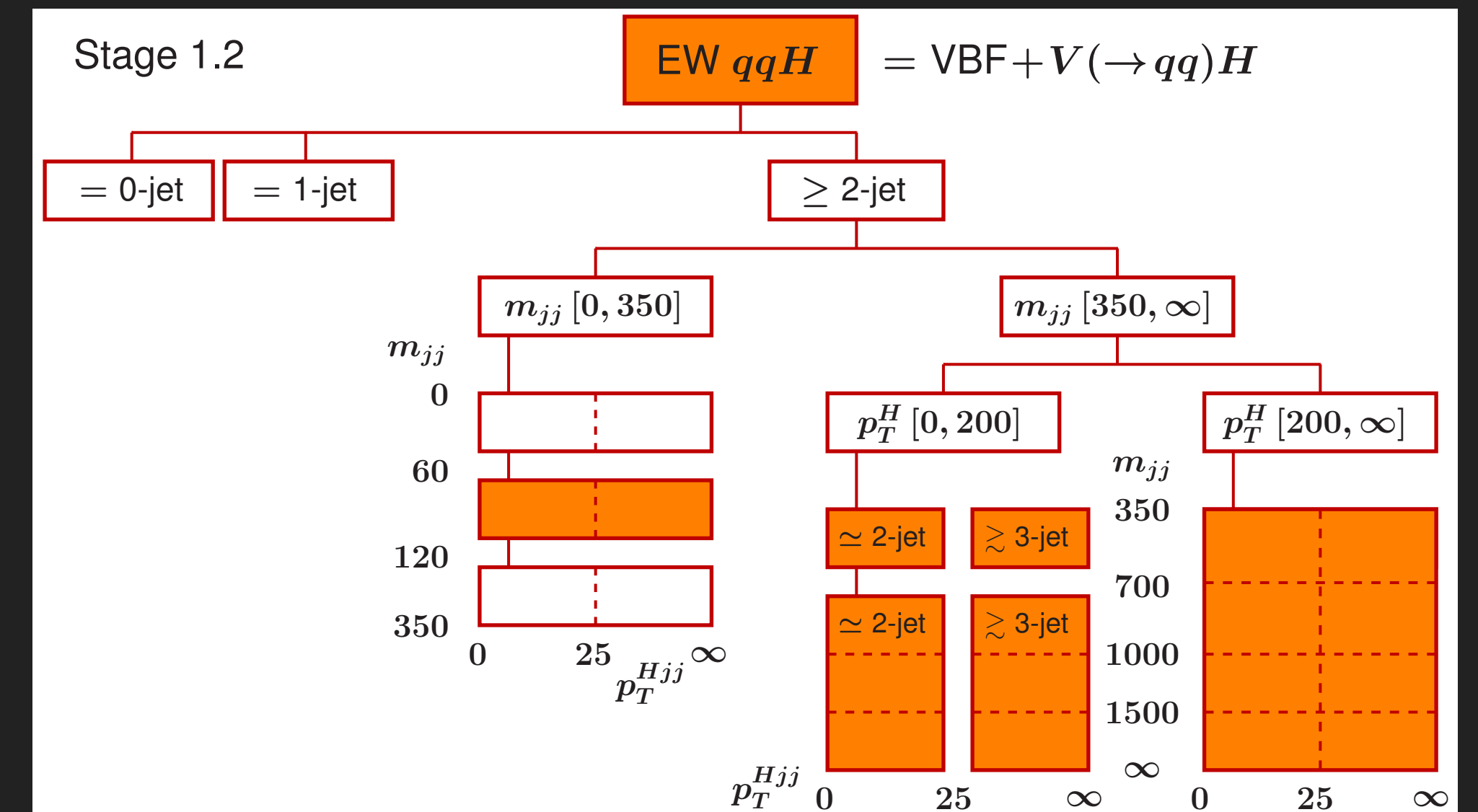
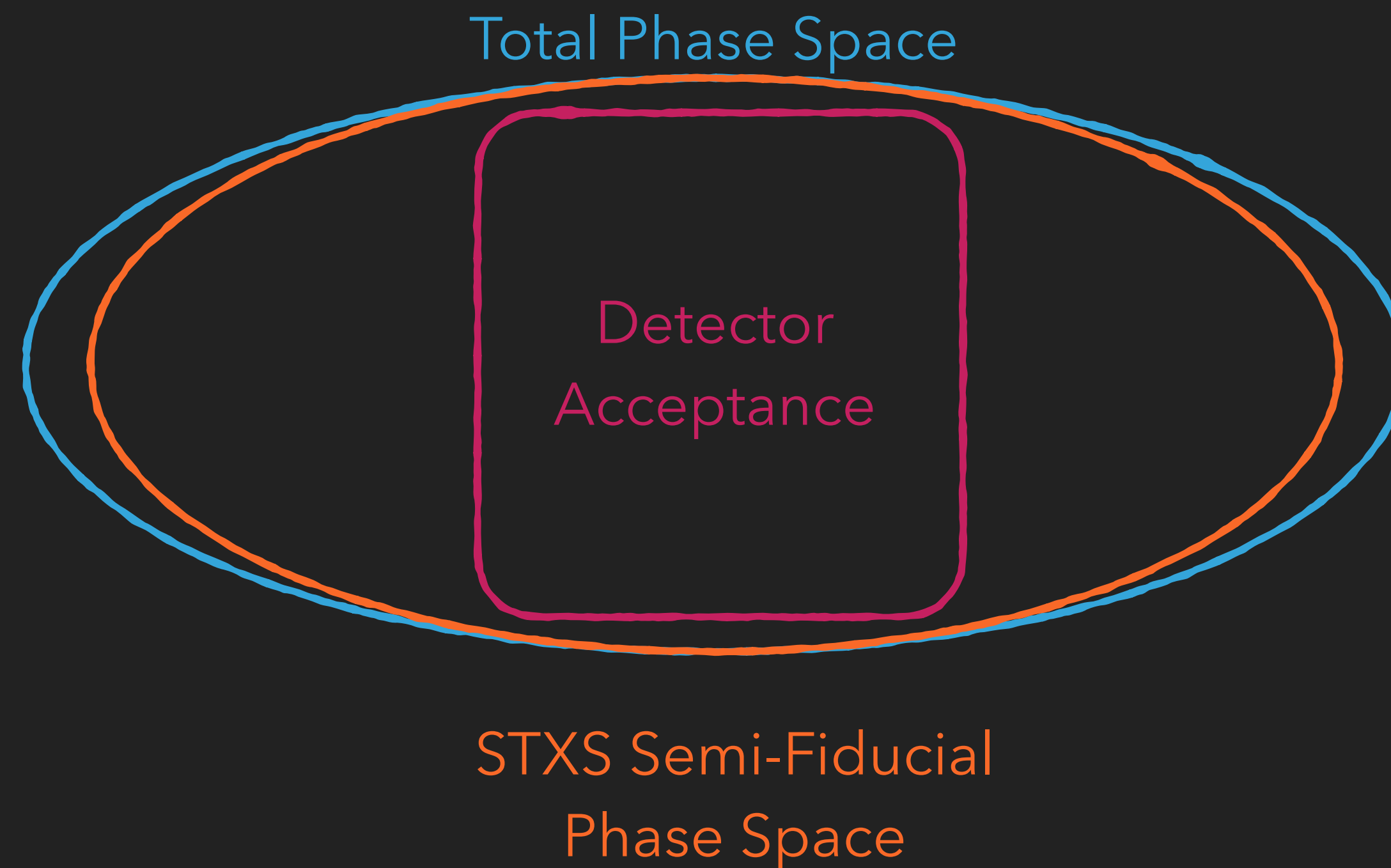
Search for Heavy Neutral Leptons with a displaced vertex

# Electrical Testing

Set-up a standalone device to measure the IV response of Silicon sensors. Important quality control step to track the electrical response of the detector to various assembly and testing stages.



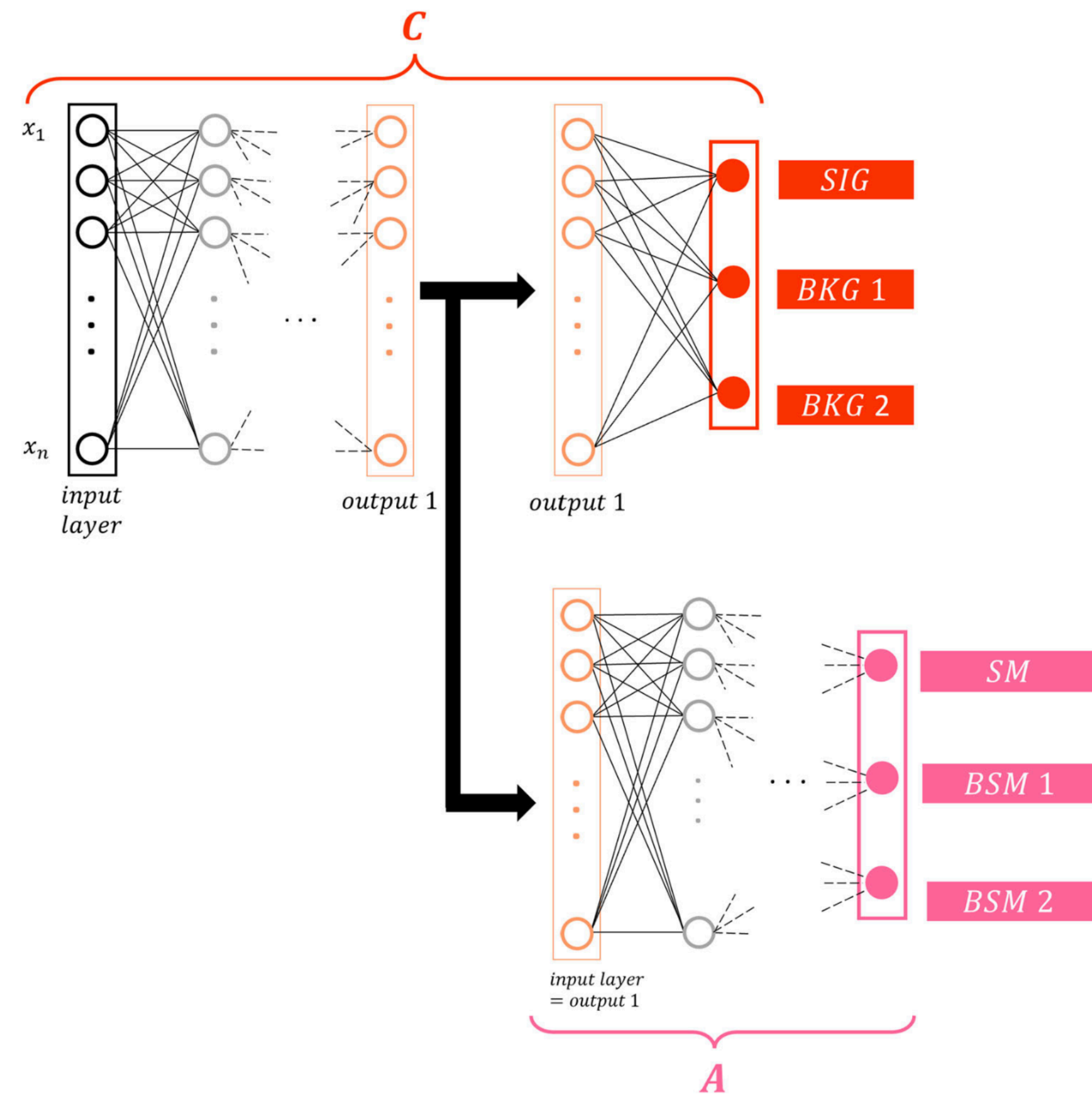
# Simplified Template Cross Section Measurements



# Independent Methods – Adversarial Network with Domain Adaptation

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**Fig. 1** Schematic view of the adversarial deep neural network



# STXS Uncertainties

Source	$\frac{\Delta\sigma_{\text{VBF}} \cdot \mathcal{B}_{H \rightarrow WW^*}}{\sigma_{\text{VBF}} \cdot \mathcal{B}_{H \rightarrow WW^*}}$ [%]
Data statistical uncertainties	15
Total systematic uncertainties	18
MC statistical uncertainties	4.9
Experimental uncertainties	6.7
Flavor tagging	1.0
Jet energy scale	3.7
Jet energy resolution	2.1
$E_T^{\text{miss}}$	4.9
Muons	0.8
Electrons	0.4
Fake factors	0.8
Pileup	1.3
Luminosity	2.2
Theoretical uncertainties	16
ggF	4.6
VBF	12
WW	5.5
Top	6.4
Z $\tau\tau$	1.0
Other VV	1.5
Other Higgs	0.4
Background normalizations	4.9
WW	0.6
Top	3.4
Z $\tau\tau$	3.4
Total	23

STXS  $H \rightarrow WW$  ([arXiv: 2207.00338](https://arxiv.org/abs/2207.00338))

# Fiducial Phase Space Definition

Selection Requirements	Signal Region	Fiducial Region
Lepton pair flavors	$e-\mu$	
Lepton pair charge	0	
Leading (subleading) lepton $p_T$	$> 22$ GeV ( $> 15$ GeV)	
Lepton $\eta^\ell$	$ \eta^\mu  < 2.5$ $0 <  \eta^e  < 1.37$ or $1.52 <  \eta^e  < 2.47$	$ \eta^e  < 2.5$
No. of additional leptons	0	
$\Delta R(\ell, \ell)$	overlap removal	$> 0.1$
$m_{\ell\ell}$	$> 10$ GeV	
$\Delta R(\ell, \text{jet})$	overlap removal	$> 0.4$
No. of jets ( $p_T > 30$ GeV, $ \eta  < 4.5$ )	$\geq 2$	
No. of $b$ -jets ( $p_T > 20$ GeV, $ \eta  < 2.5$ )	0	
$m_{\tau\tau}$	$< m_Z - 25$ GeV	
Central jet veto ( $p_T > 20$ GeV)	✓	
Outside lepton veto	✓	
$m_{jj}$	$> 450$ GeV	
$ \Delta y_{jj} $	$> 2.1$	
$ \Delta\phi_{\ell\ell} $	$< 1.4$ rad	

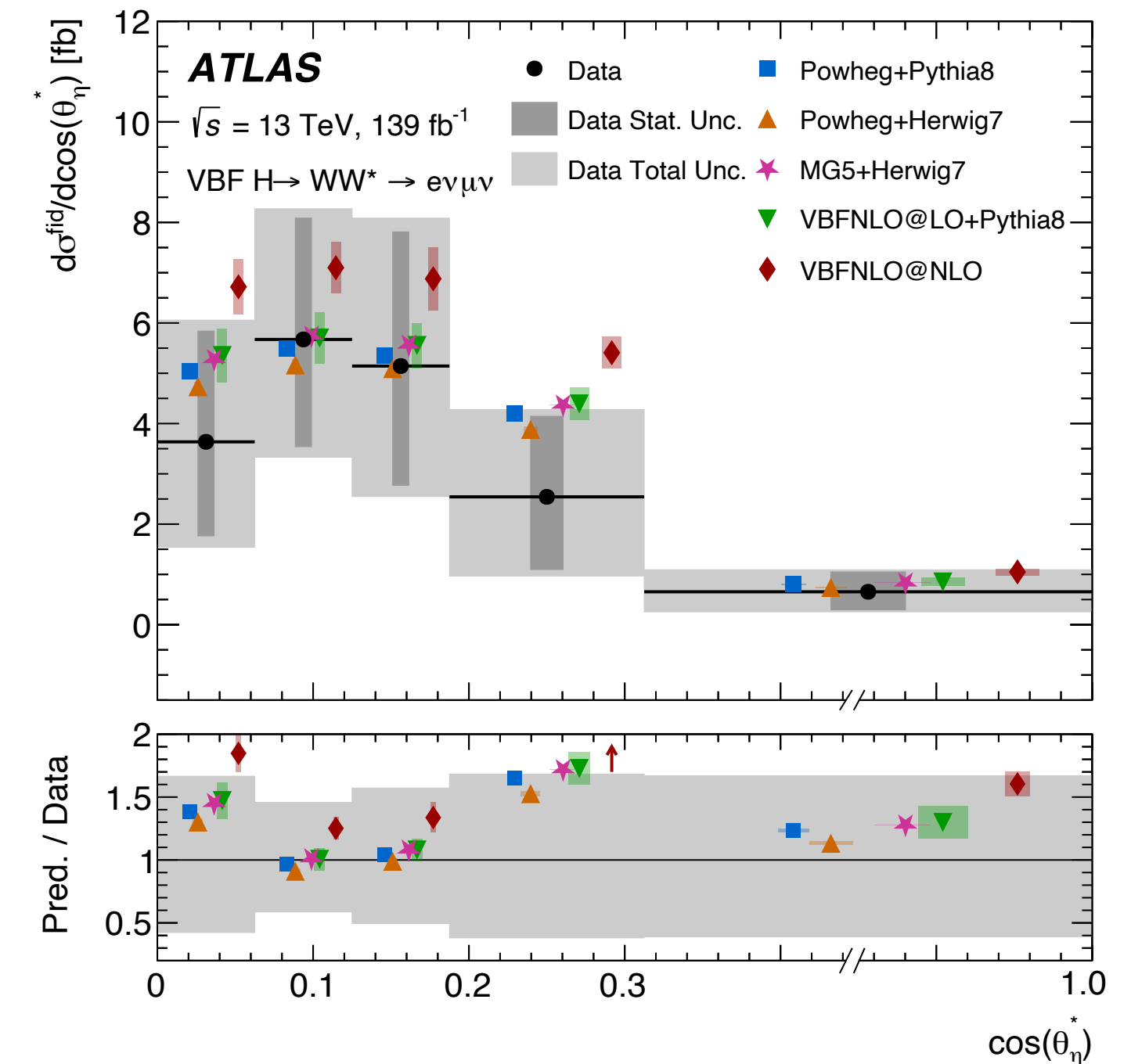
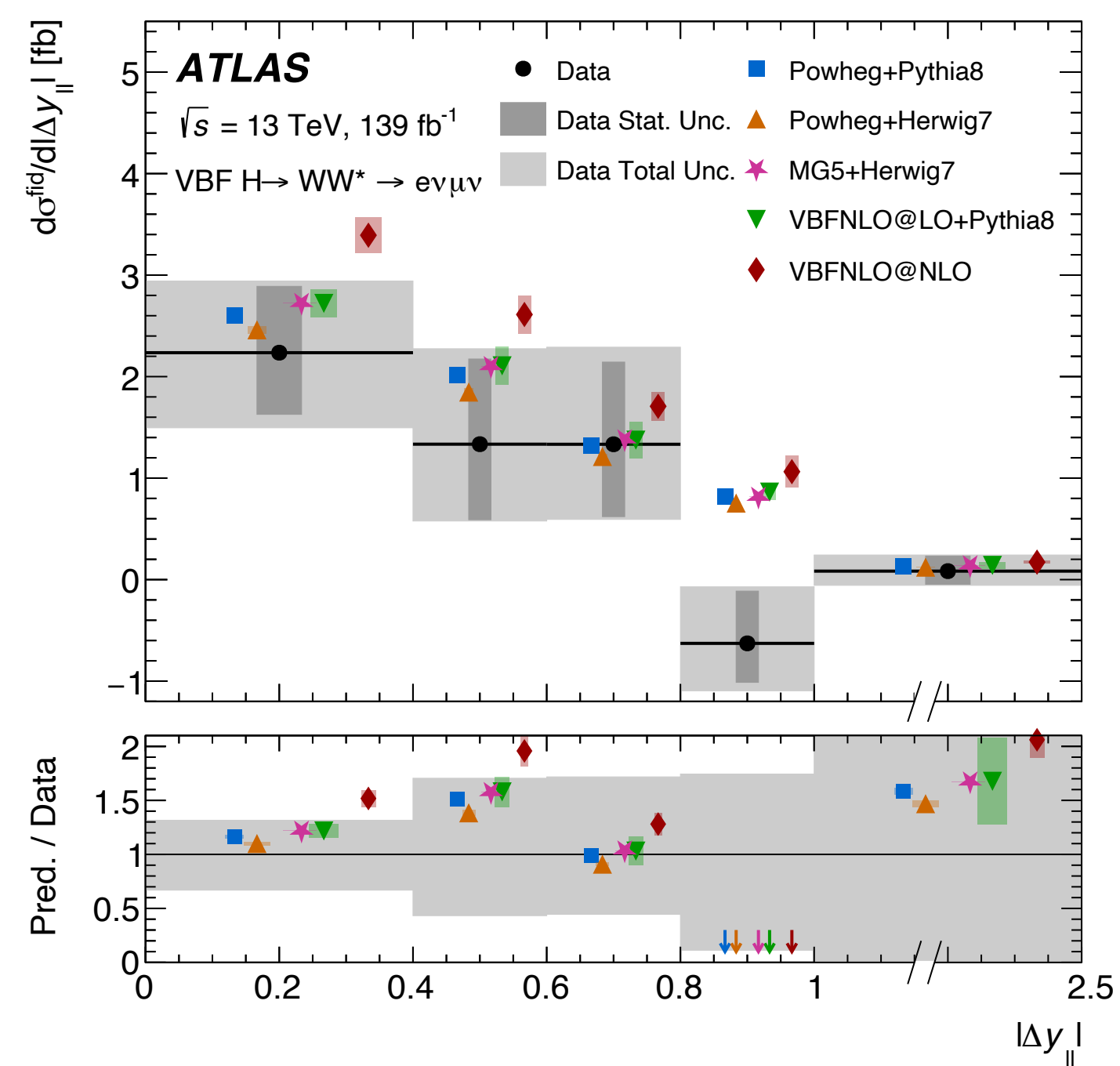
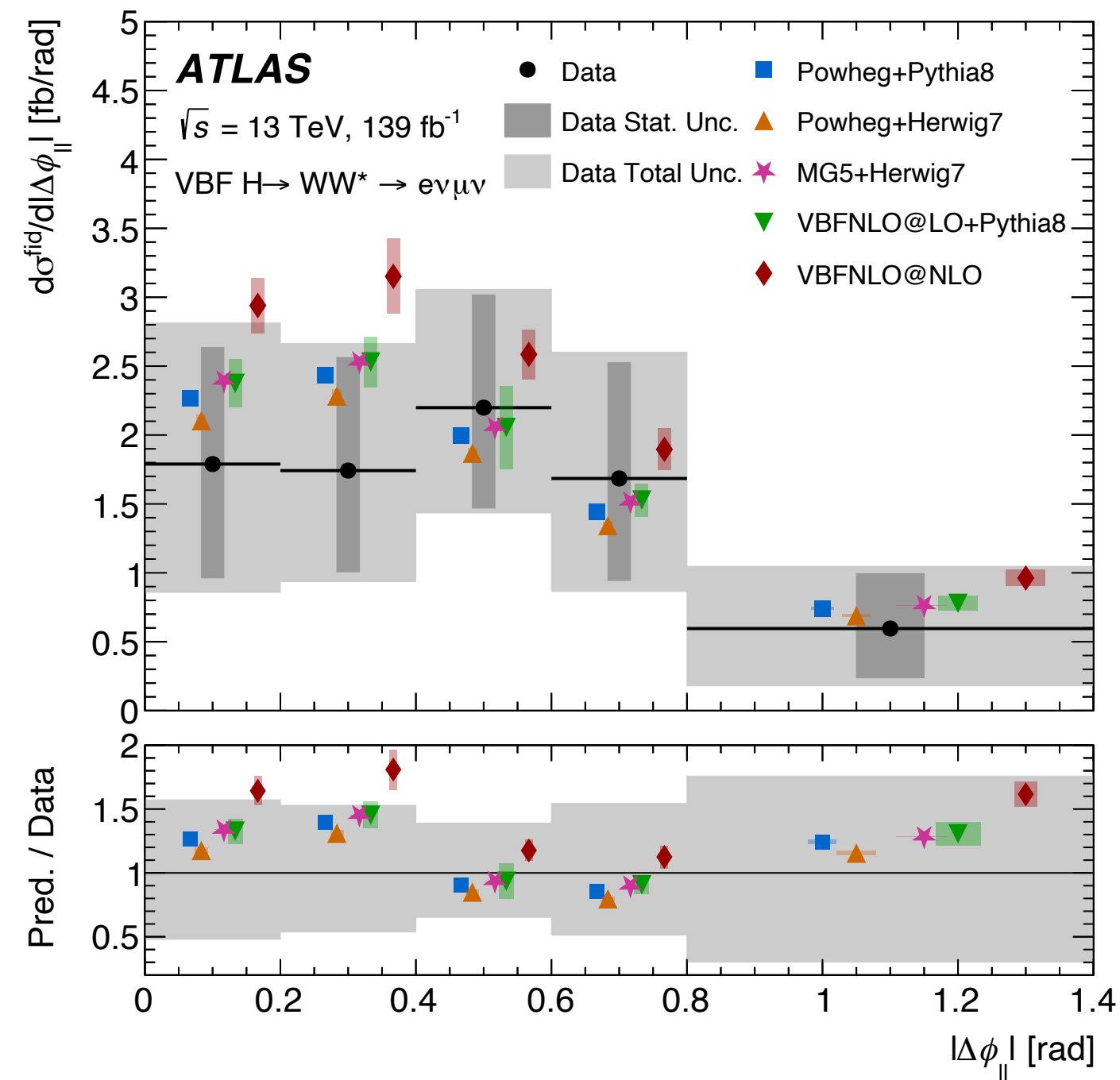
## EFT Operators

Wilson Coeff.	Operator Structure	Fit distr.	Param. Order	95% confidence interval [TeV <sup>-2</sup> ]	
				Expected	Observed
$c_{HW}$	$H^\dagger H W_{\mu\nu}^n W^{n\mu\nu}$	$\Delta\phi_{jj}$	lin.	[-1.7, 1.6]	[-2.6, 0.60]
			lin. + quad.	[-1.4, 1.4]	[-1.8, 0.61]
$c_{HB}$	$H^\dagger H B_{\mu\nu} B^{\mu\nu}$	$\Delta\phi_{jj}$	lin.	[-5.9, 6.4]	[-6.7, 4.6]
			lin. + quad.	[-0.59, 0.66]	[-0.60, 0.66]
$c_{HWB}$	$H^\dagger \tau^n H W_{\mu\nu}^n B^{\mu\nu}$	$\Delta\phi_{jj}$	lin.	[-10, 9]	[-14, 5.9]
			lin. + quad.	[-1.2, 1.1]	[-1.2, 1.1]
$c_{Hq1}$	$(H^\dagger i \overleftrightarrow{D}_\mu H)(\bar{q}\gamma^\mu q)$	$p_T^{j1}$	lin.	[-12, 15]	[-6.9, 22]
			lin. + quad.	[-1.9, 1.7]	[-2.2, 2.0]
$c_{Hq3}$	$(H^\dagger i \overleftrightarrow{D}_\mu^n H)(\bar{q}\tau^n \gamma^\mu q)$	$p_T^{j1}$	lin.	[-0.56, 0.47]	[-0.74, 0.30]
			lin. + quad.	[-0.43, 1.2]	[-0.56, 0.43]
$c_{Hu}$	$(H^\dagger i \overleftrightarrow{D}_\mu H)(\bar{u}\gamma^\mu u)$	$p_T^{j1}$	lin.	[-8.3, 6.9]	[-11, 4.2]
			lin. + quad.	[-2.0, 2.6]	[-2.5, 3.1]
$c_{Hd}$	$(H^\dagger i \overleftrightarrow{D}_\mu H)(\bar{d}\gamma^\mu d)$	$p_T^{j1}$	lin.	[-21, 25]	[-13, 33]
			lin. + quad.	[-3.0, 2.7]	[-3.7, 3.4]
$c_{H\tilde{W}}$	$H^\dagger H \tilde{W}_{\mu\nu}^n W^{n\mu\nu}$	$\Delta\phi_{jj}$	lin.	[-1.7, 1.7]	[-1.8, 1.3]
			lin. + quad.	[-1.4, 1.4]	[-1.1, 1.4]
$c_{H\tilde{B}}$	$H^\dagger H \tilde{B}_{\mu\nu} B^{\mu\nu}$	$\Delta\phi_{jj}$	lin.	[-28, 28]	[-32, 22]
			lin. + quad.	[-0.62, 0.62]	[-0.63, 0.63]
$c_{H\tilde{W}B}$	$H^\dagger \tau^n H \tilde{W}_{\mu\nu}^n B^{\mu\nu}$	$\Delta\phi_{jj}$	lin.	[-15, 15]	[-17, 12]
			lin. + quad.	[-1.2, 1.1]	[-1.2, 1.1]

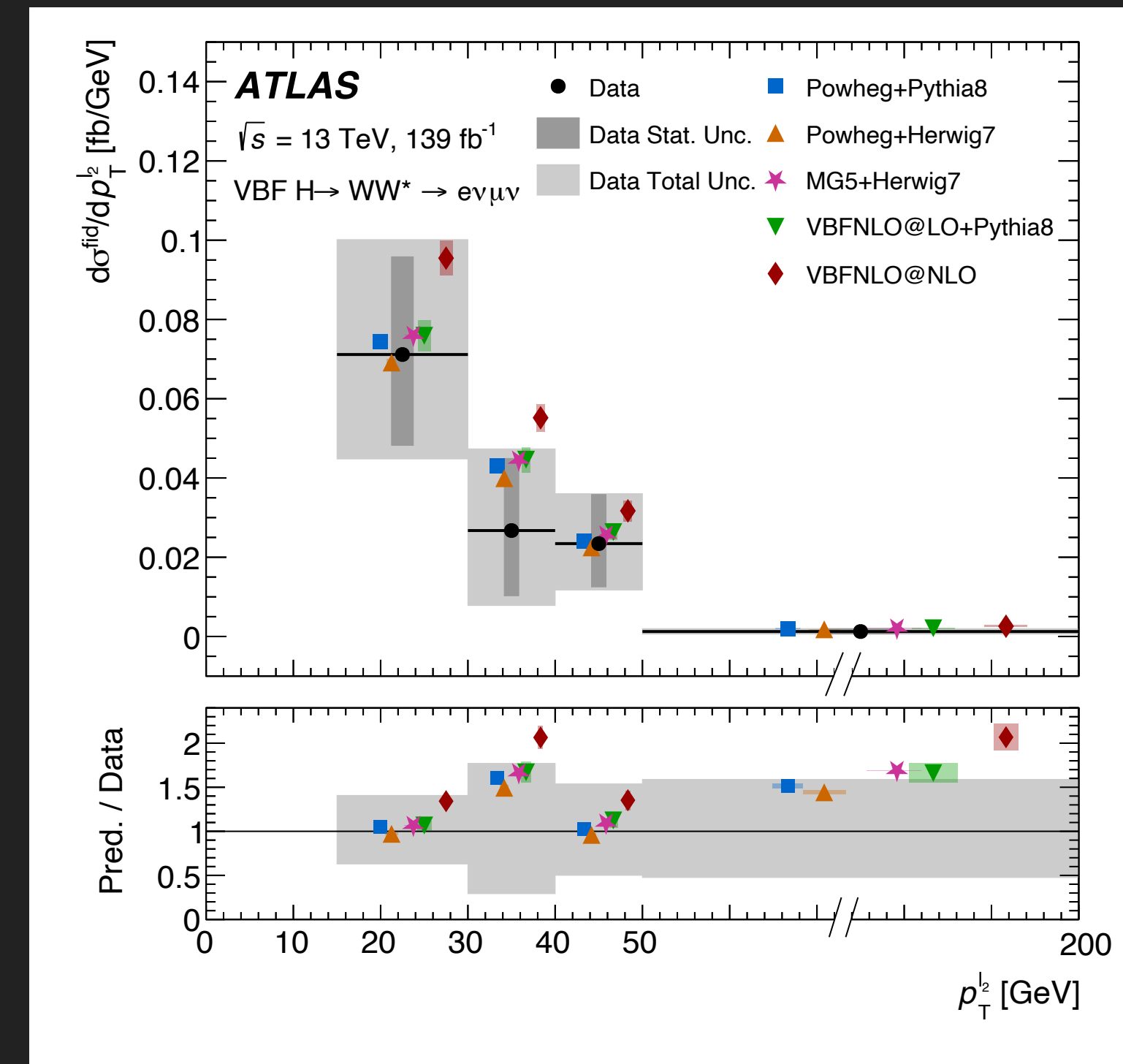
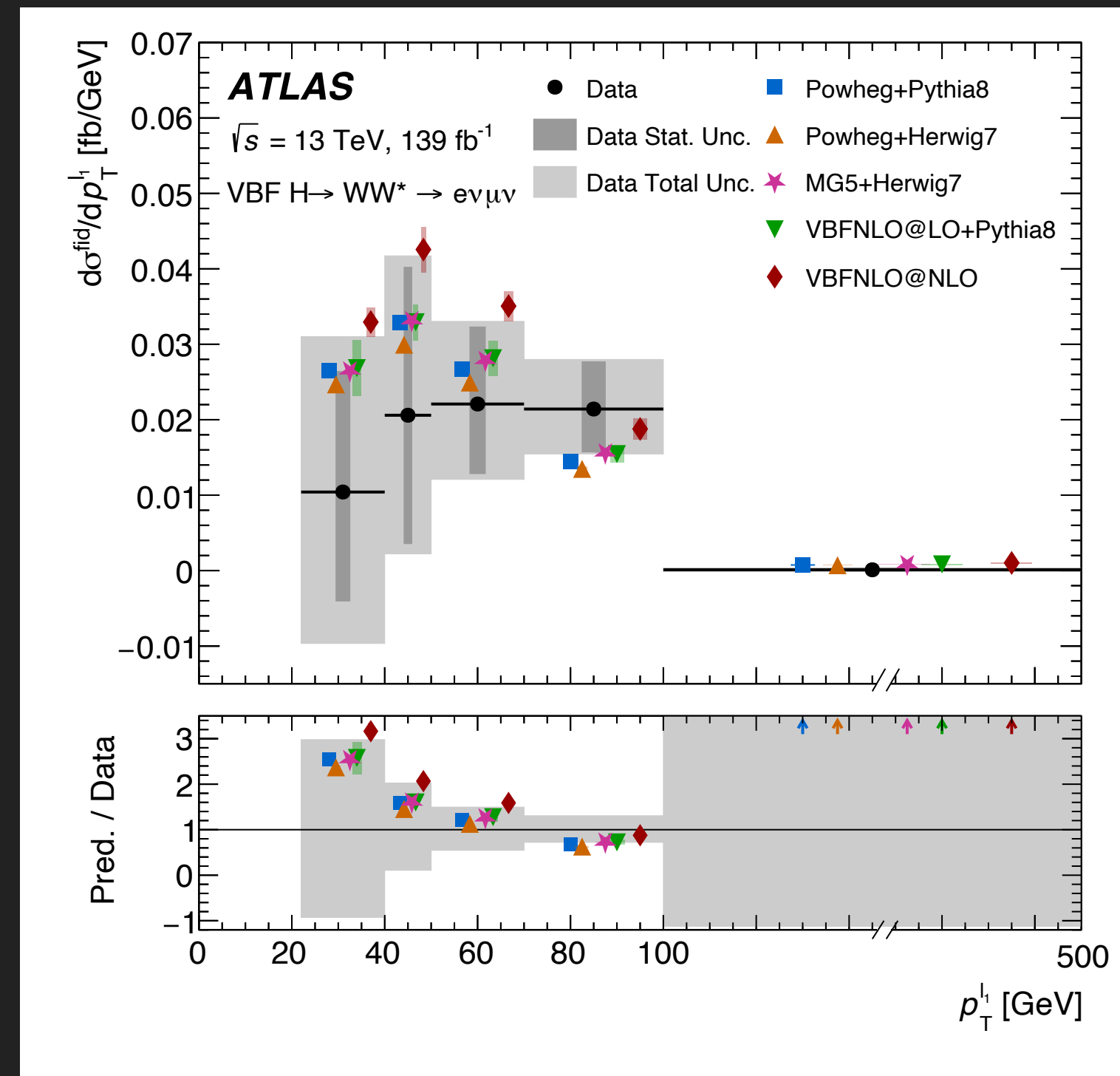
# Uncertainties for Differential Cross Sections

Source	Uncertainty [%] $\sigma^{\text{fid}}$	Uncertainty range [%]				
		$p_T^H$	$p_T^{\ell\ell}, p_T^{\ell_1},$ $p_T^{\ell_2},  \Delta y_{\ell\ell} ,$ $ \Delta\phi_{\ell\ell} , \cos(\theta_\eta^*)$	$m_{\ell\ell}$	$p_T^{j_1}, p_T^{j_2},$ $ \Delta y_{jj} , \Delta\phi_{jj}$	$m_{jj}$
Signal modeling	5	< 1 – 7	< 1 – 7	< 1 – 19	< 1 – 8	2 – 7
Signal parton shower	< 1	< 1 – 2	< 1 – 1.8	< 1 – 10	< 1 – 1.8	< 1 – 7
$t\bar{t}$ modeling	6	1.7 – 30	3 – 13	3 – 80	3 – 10	1.2 – 70
$WW$ modeling	4	< 1 – 12	3 – 11	2 – 90	3 – 10	3 – 40
$Z/\gamma^*$ +jets modeling	4	< 1 – 19	2 – 18	4 – 30	3 – 13	2 – 50
ggF modeling	5	4.0 – 28	3.4 – 10	2.6 – 12	2.3 – 9.0	1.4 – 86
Mis-Id background	< 1	< 1 – 12	1.1 – 5	< 1 – 19	1 – 3	< 1 – 40
Jets & Pile-up & $E_T^{\text{miss}}$	5	8 – 60	6 – 30	6 – 120	9 – 30	9 – 130
$b$ -tagging	< 1	< 1 – 9	< 1 – 3	< 1 – 19	1.1 – 3	< 1 – 40
Leptons	1.5	3 – 17	2 – 9	1.2 – 13	1.7 – 7	< 1 – 16
Luminosity	1.5	1.7 – 2	1.3 – 1.9	< 1 – 4	1.5 – 2	< 1 – 1.9
MC statistics	5	10 – 40	6 – 30	6 – 180	8 – 30	7 – 90
Total systematics	13	19 – 90	13 – 60	12 – 180	15 – 50	15 – 200
Data statistics	20	50 – 160	30 – 110	30 – 400	40 – 100	50 – 300
Total uncertainty	23	50 – 190	40 – 120	30 – 500	40 – 100	50 – 400

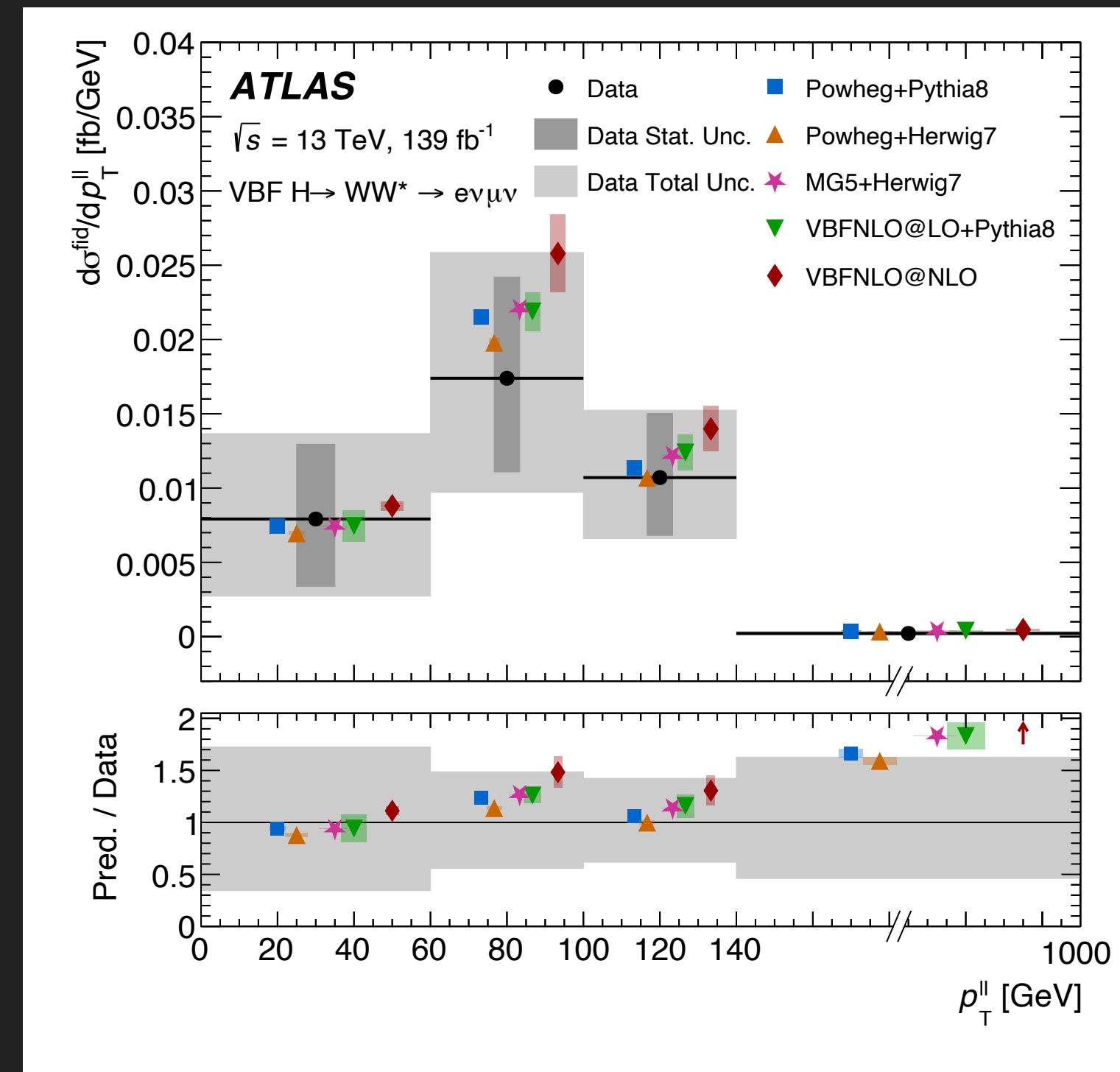
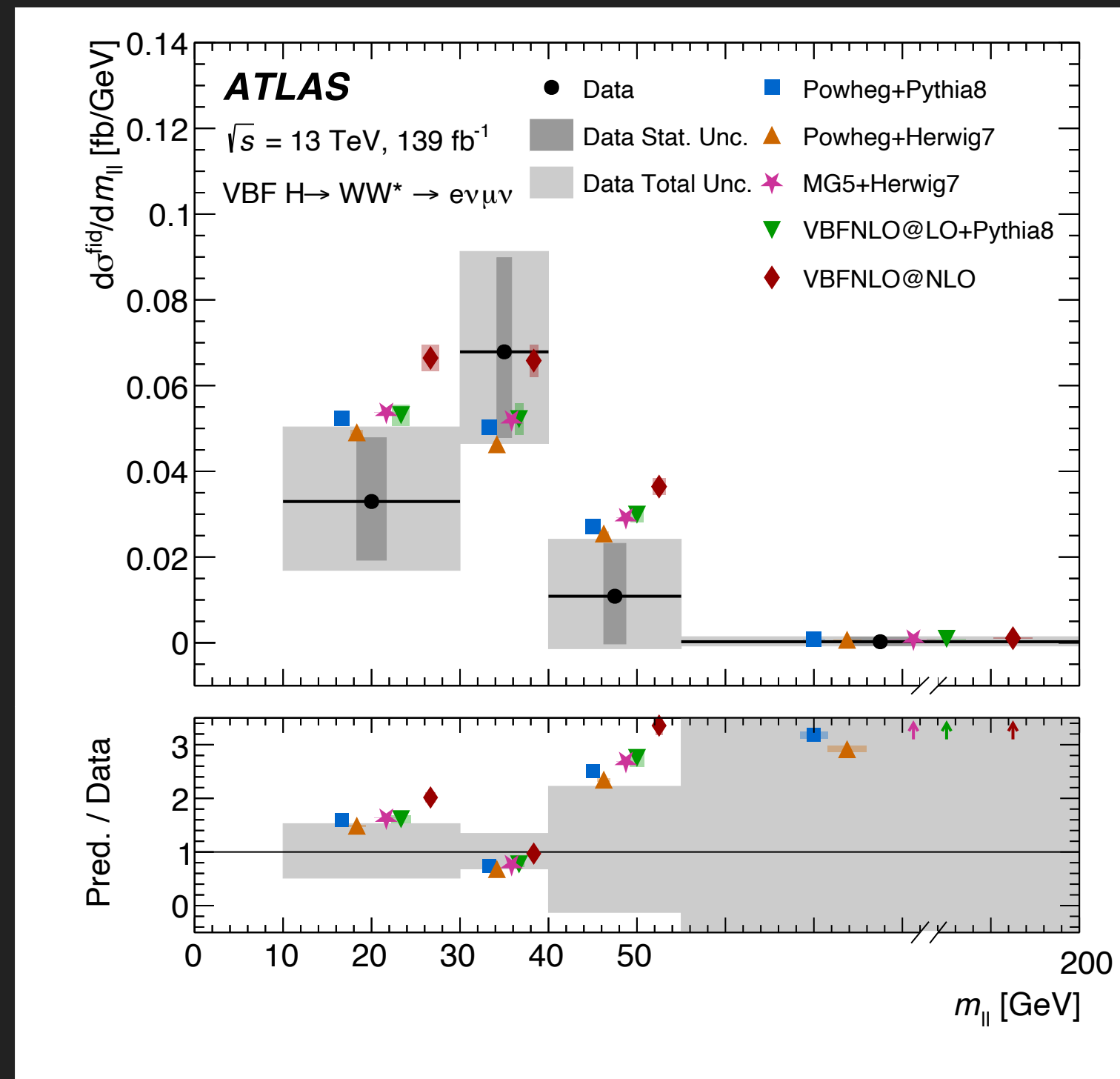
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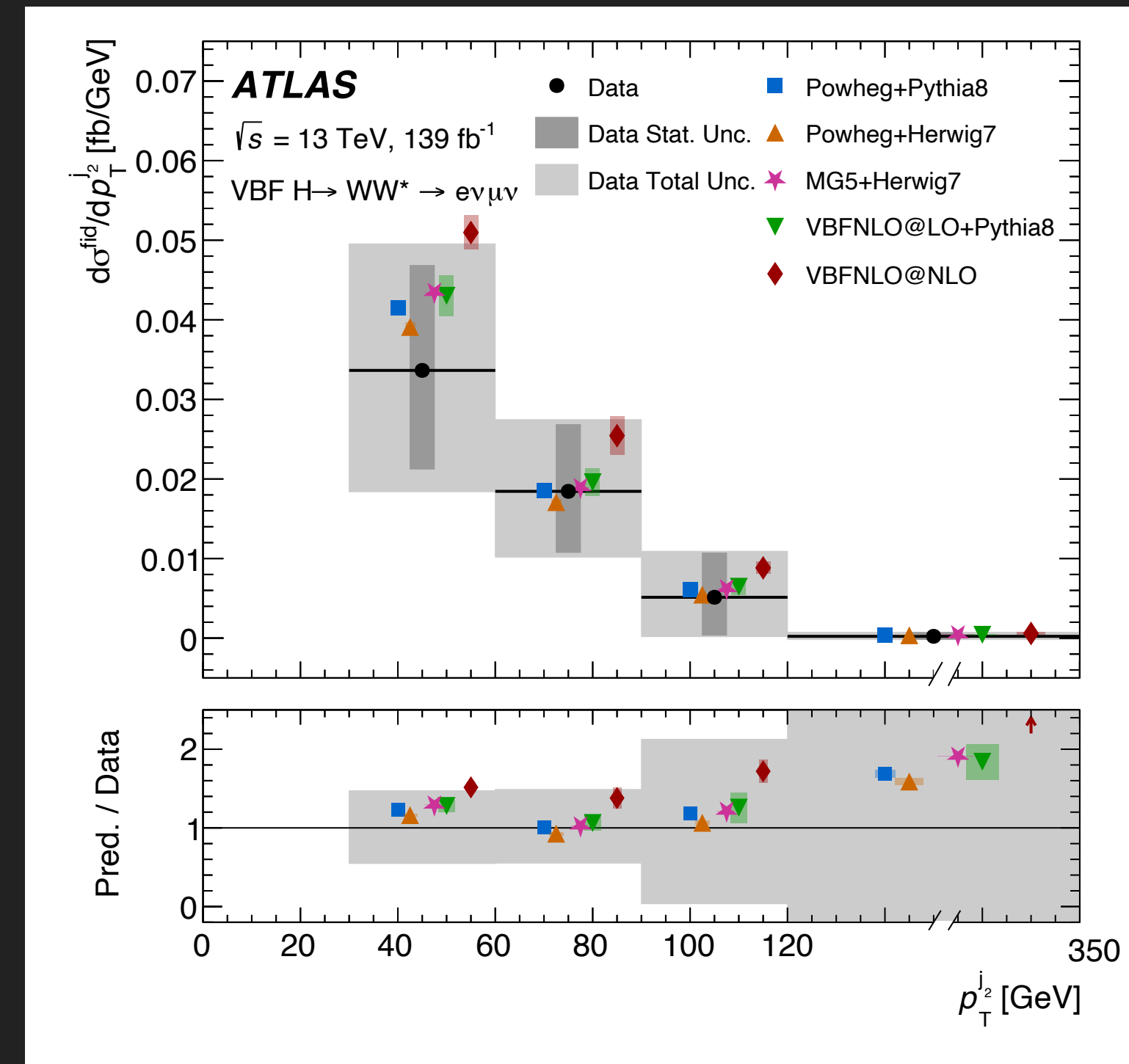
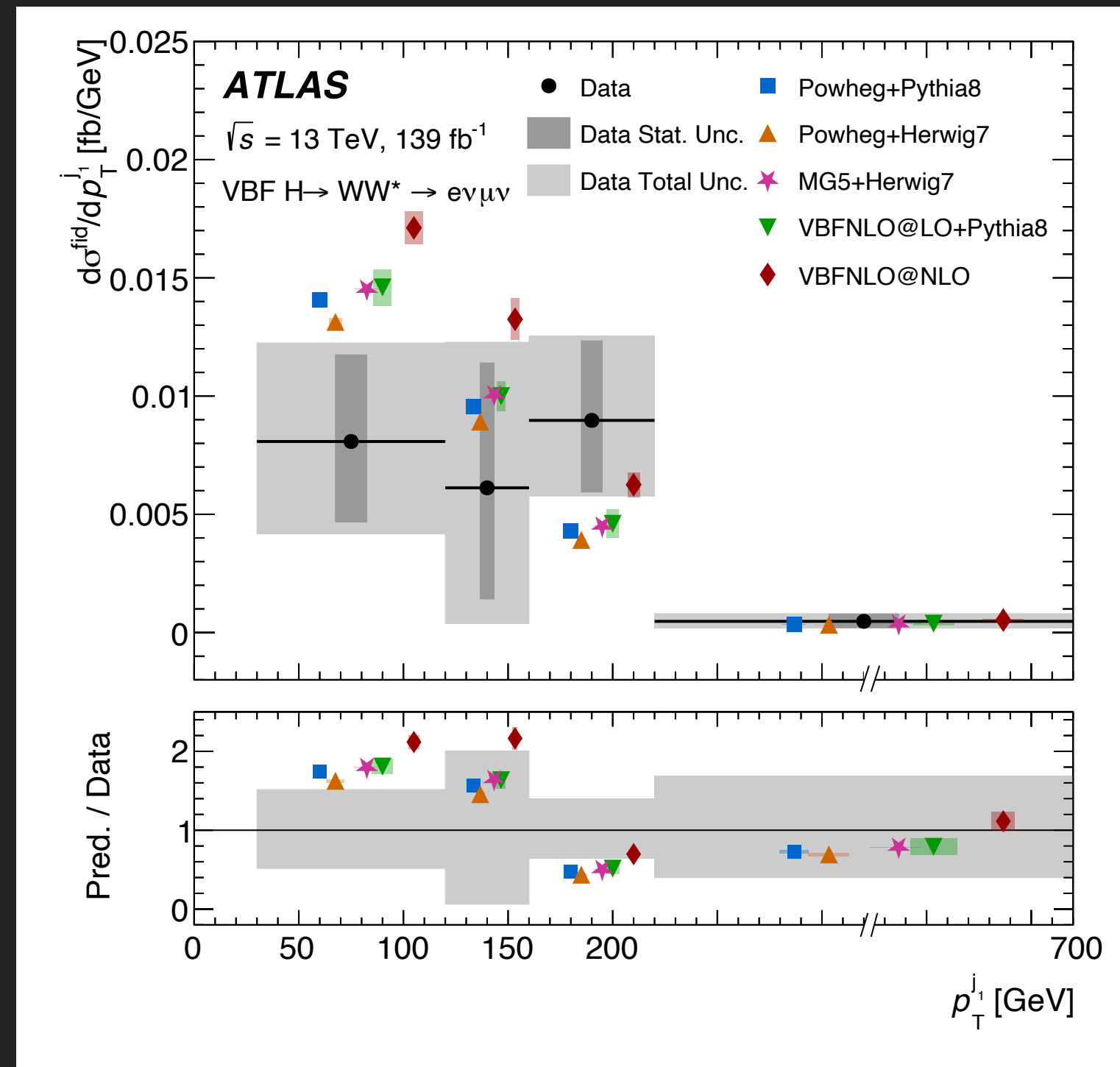
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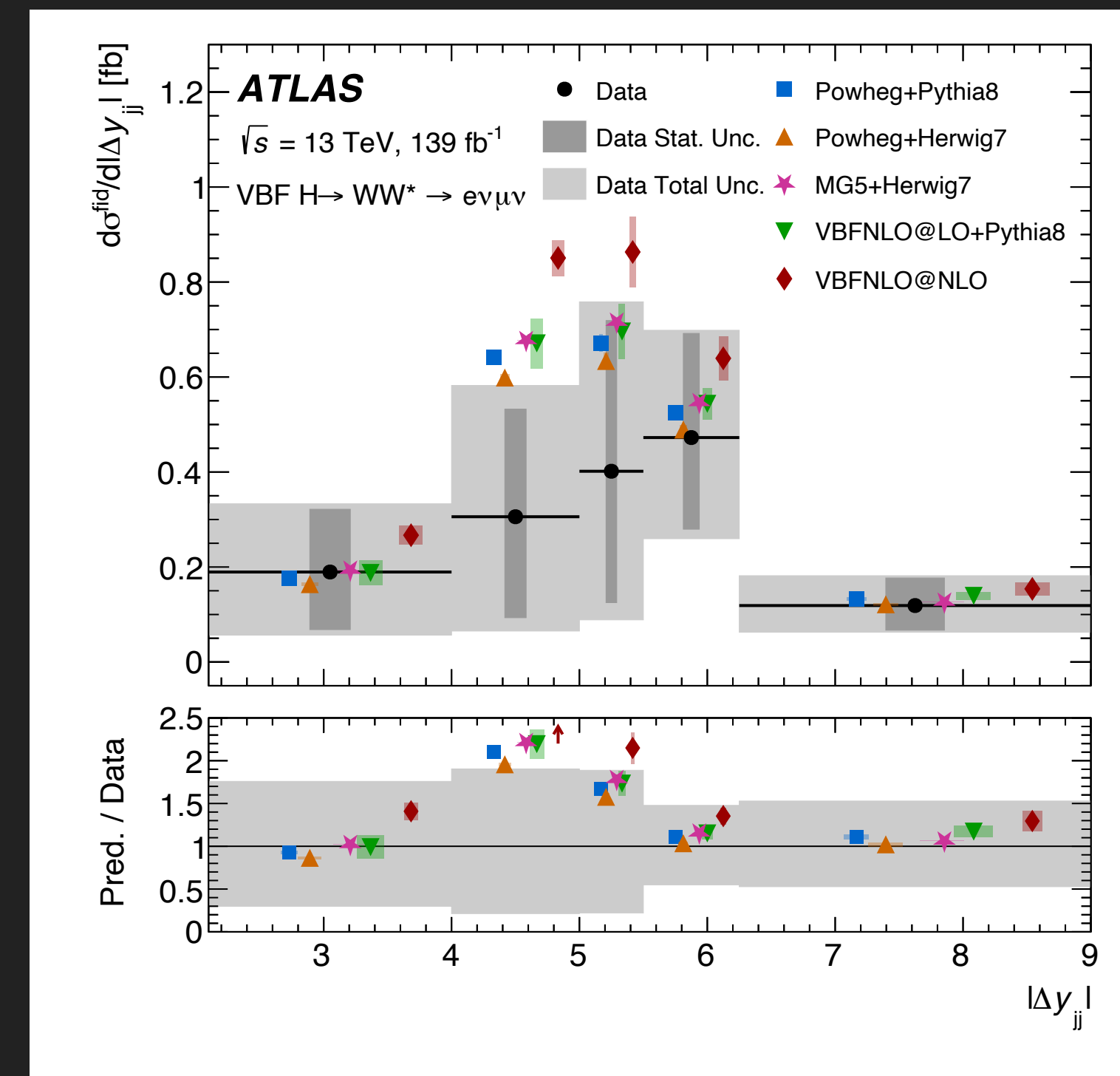
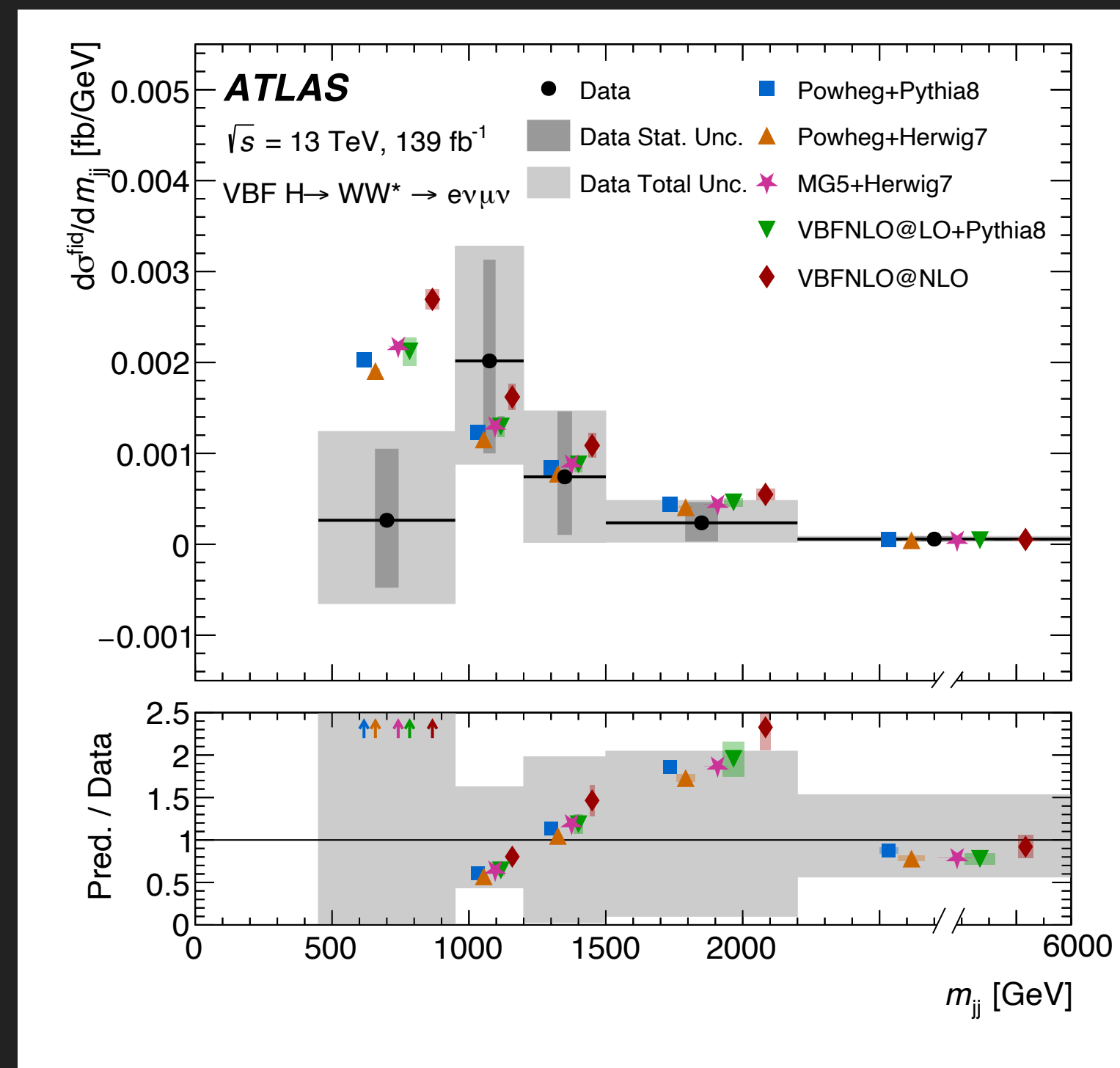
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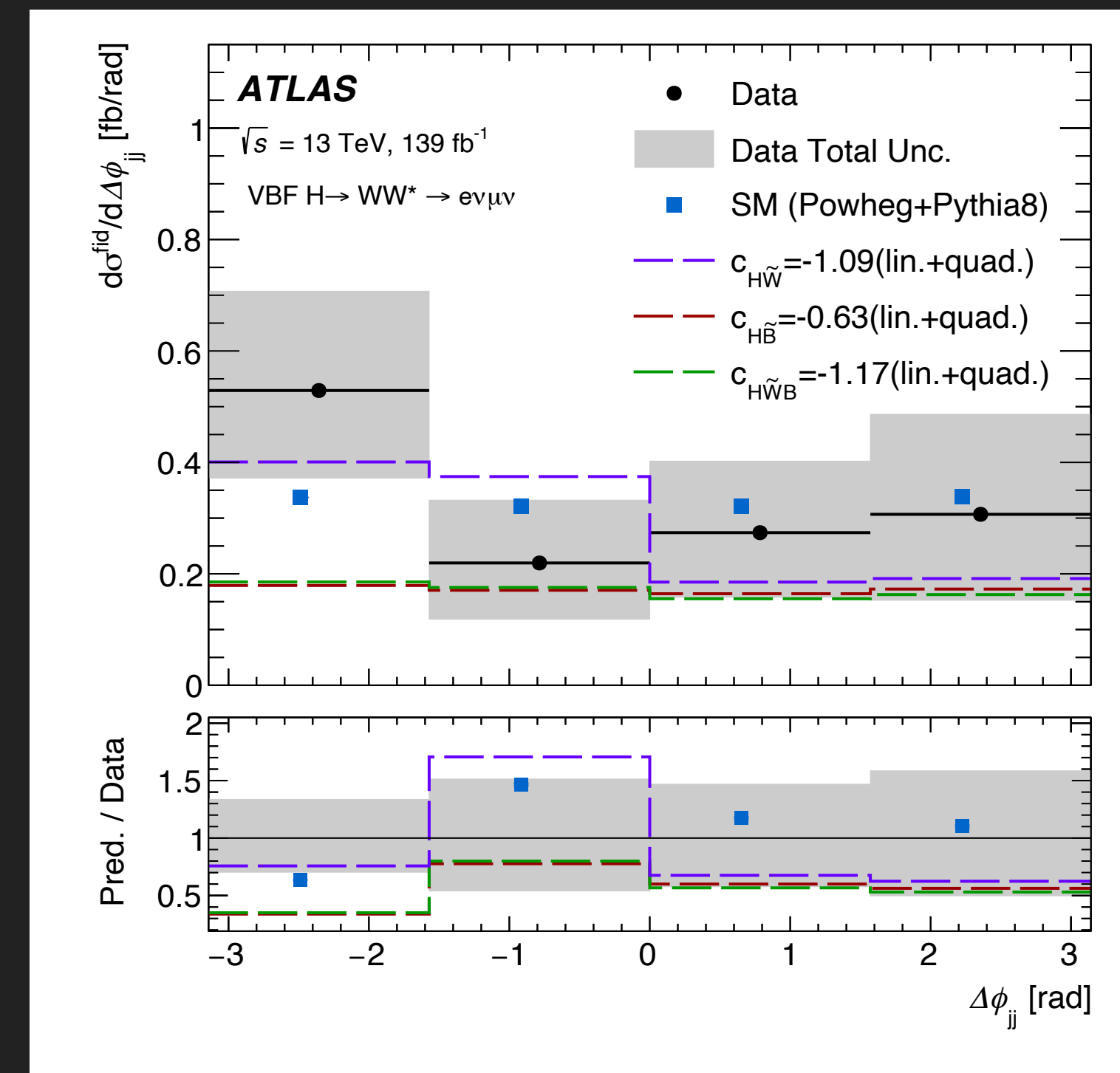
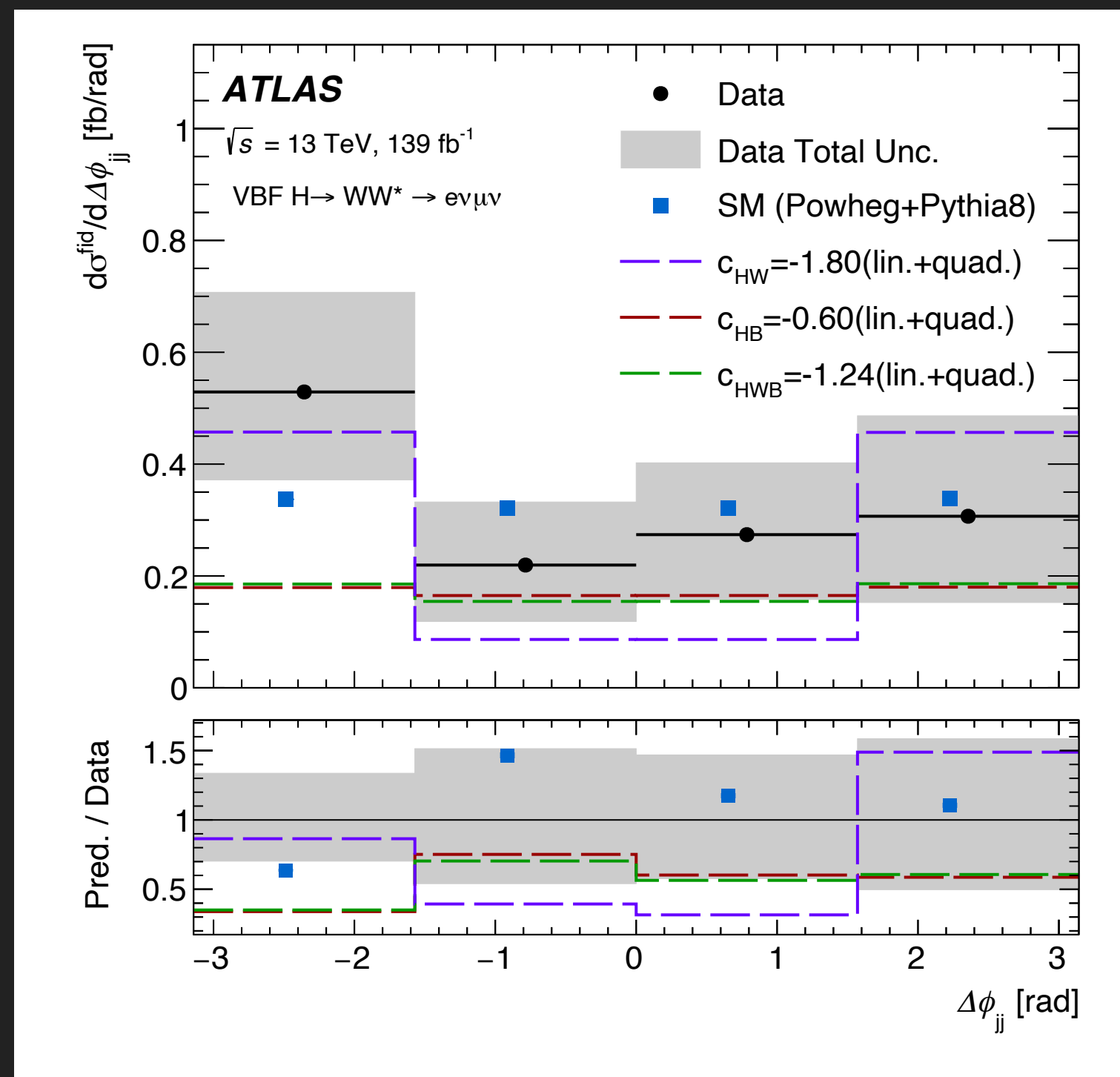


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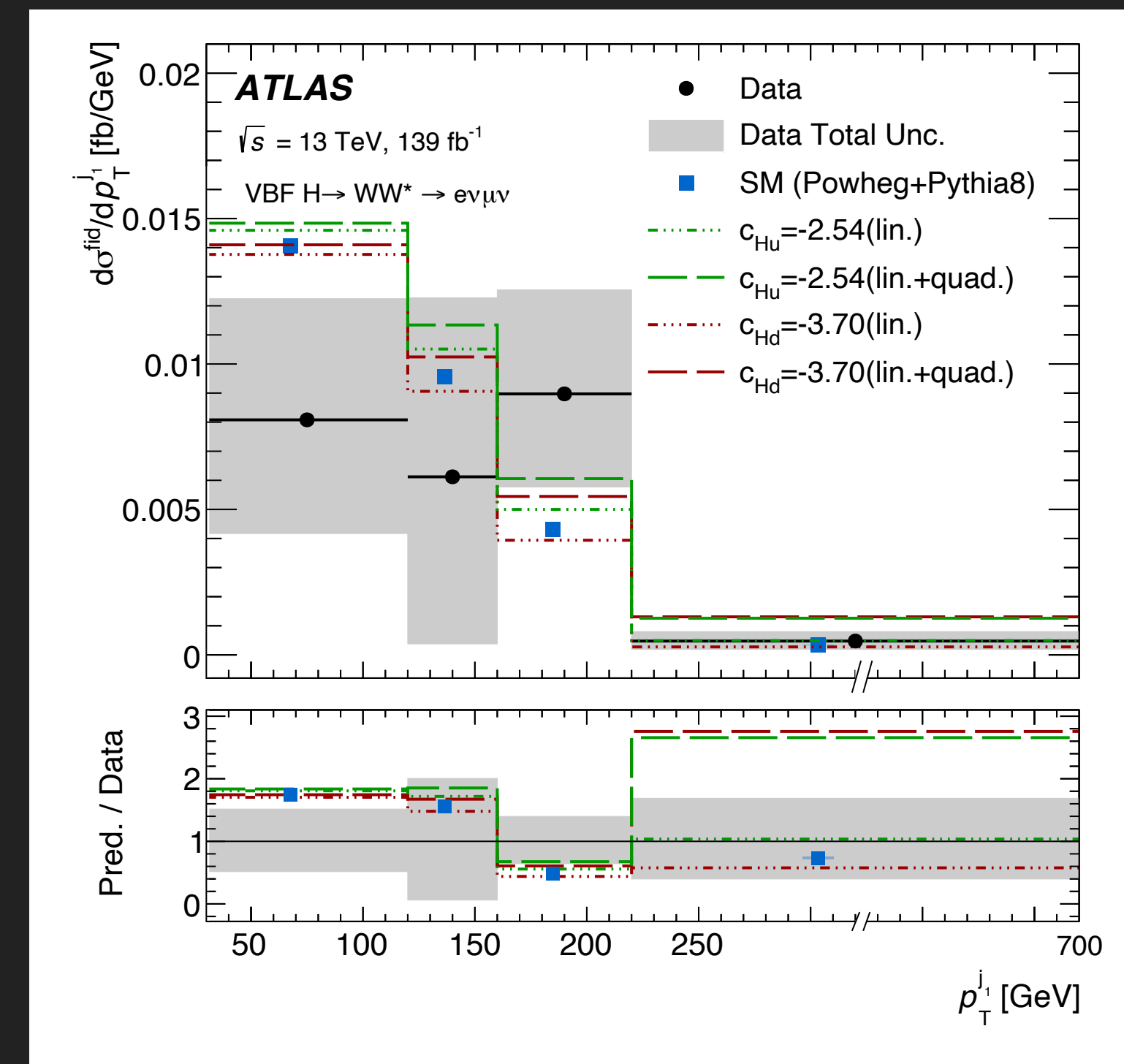
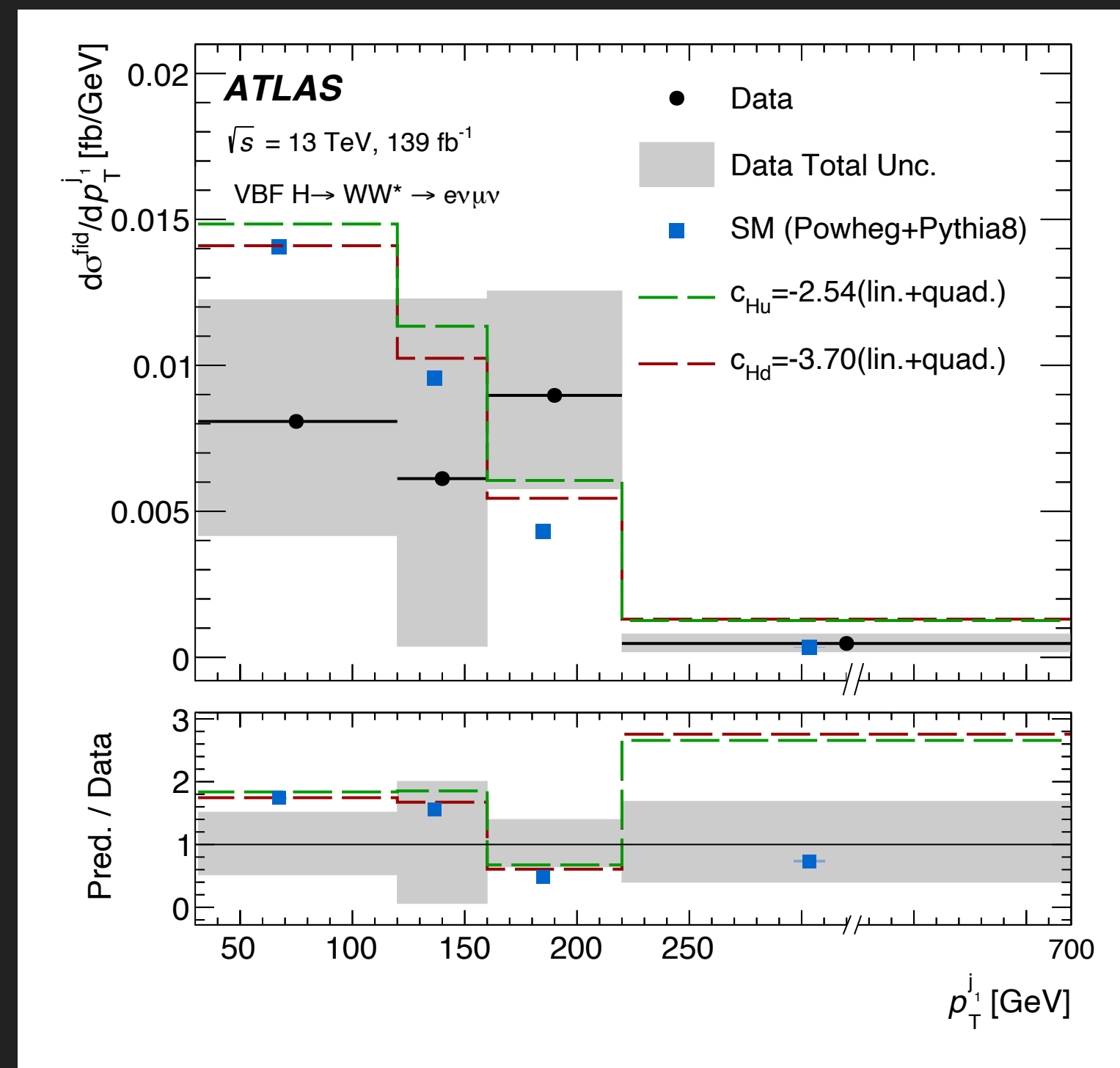


# Jet Observables



EFT Effects on  $\Delta\phi_{jj}$ 

# EFT Effects on leading jet $p_T$



# Background Normalizations

