

Collider Phenomenology

— From basic knowledge
to new physics searches

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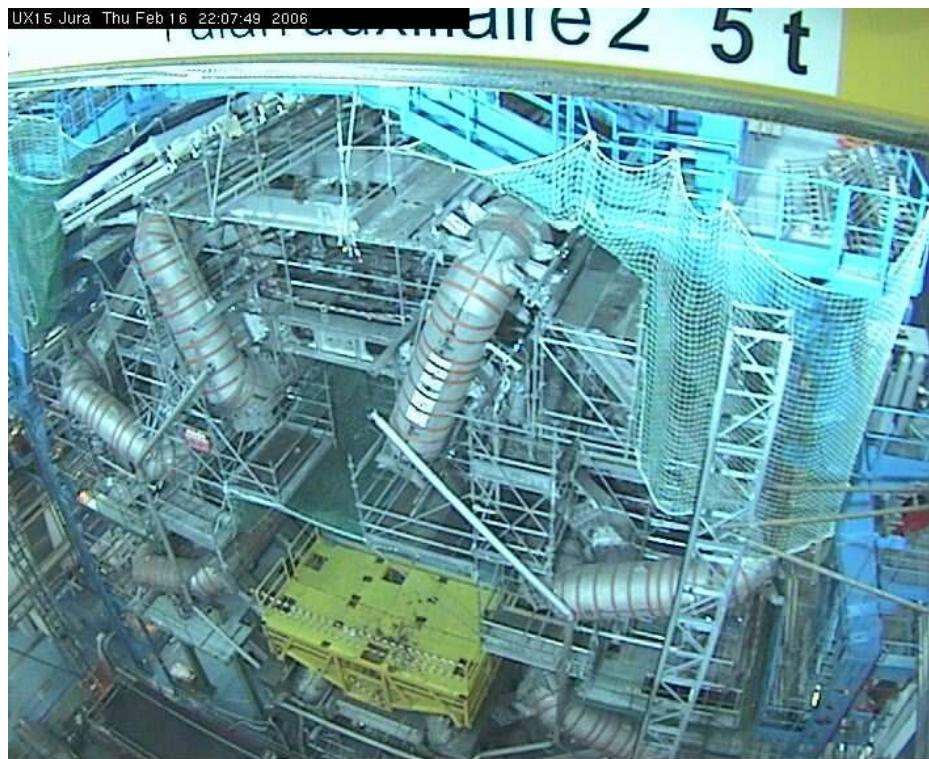
Main reference: TASI 04 Lecture notes

hep-ph/0508097,

plus the other related lectures in this school.

III(c). Hadron Collider Physics

(A). New HEP frontier: the LHC
Major discoveries and excitement ahead ...



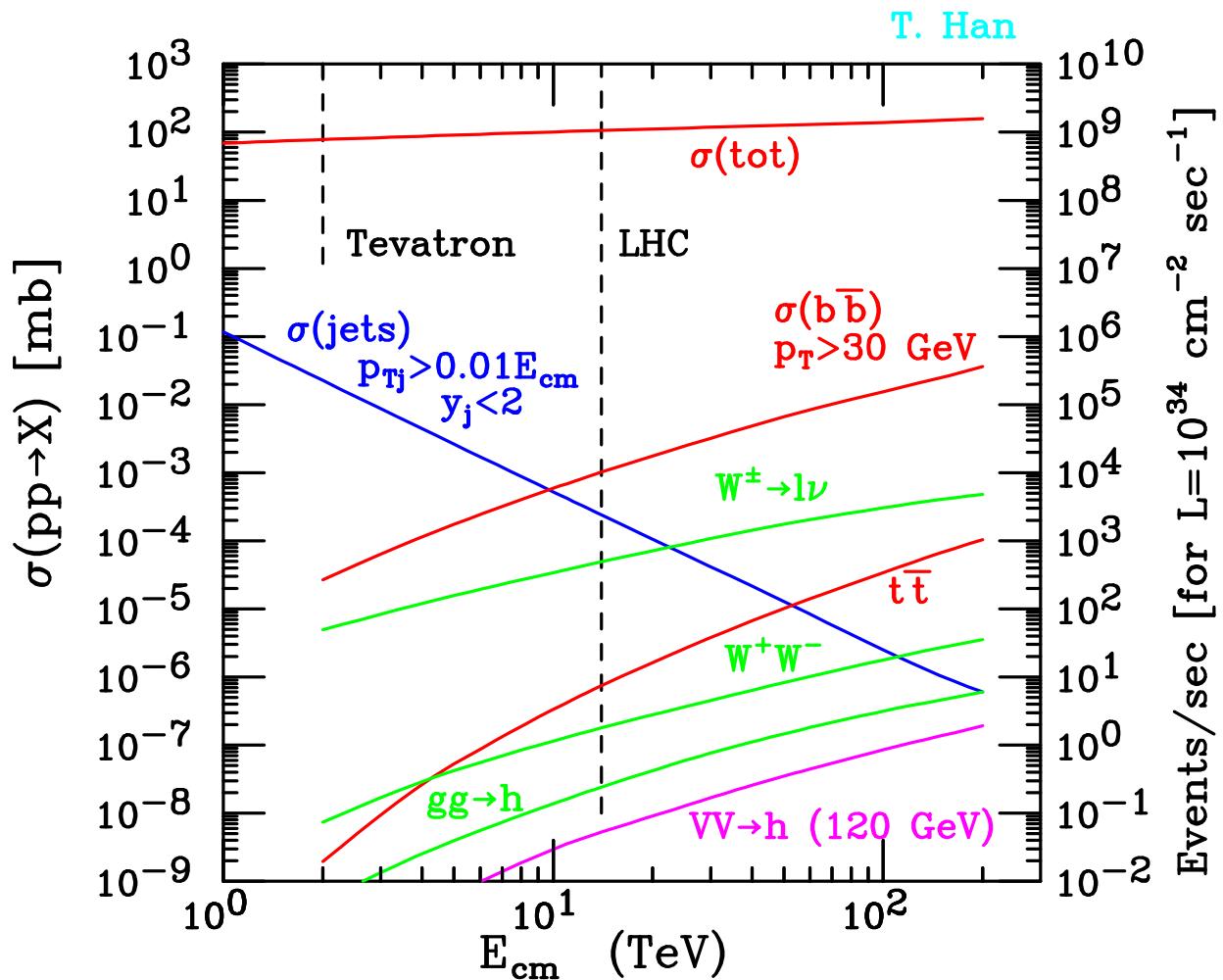
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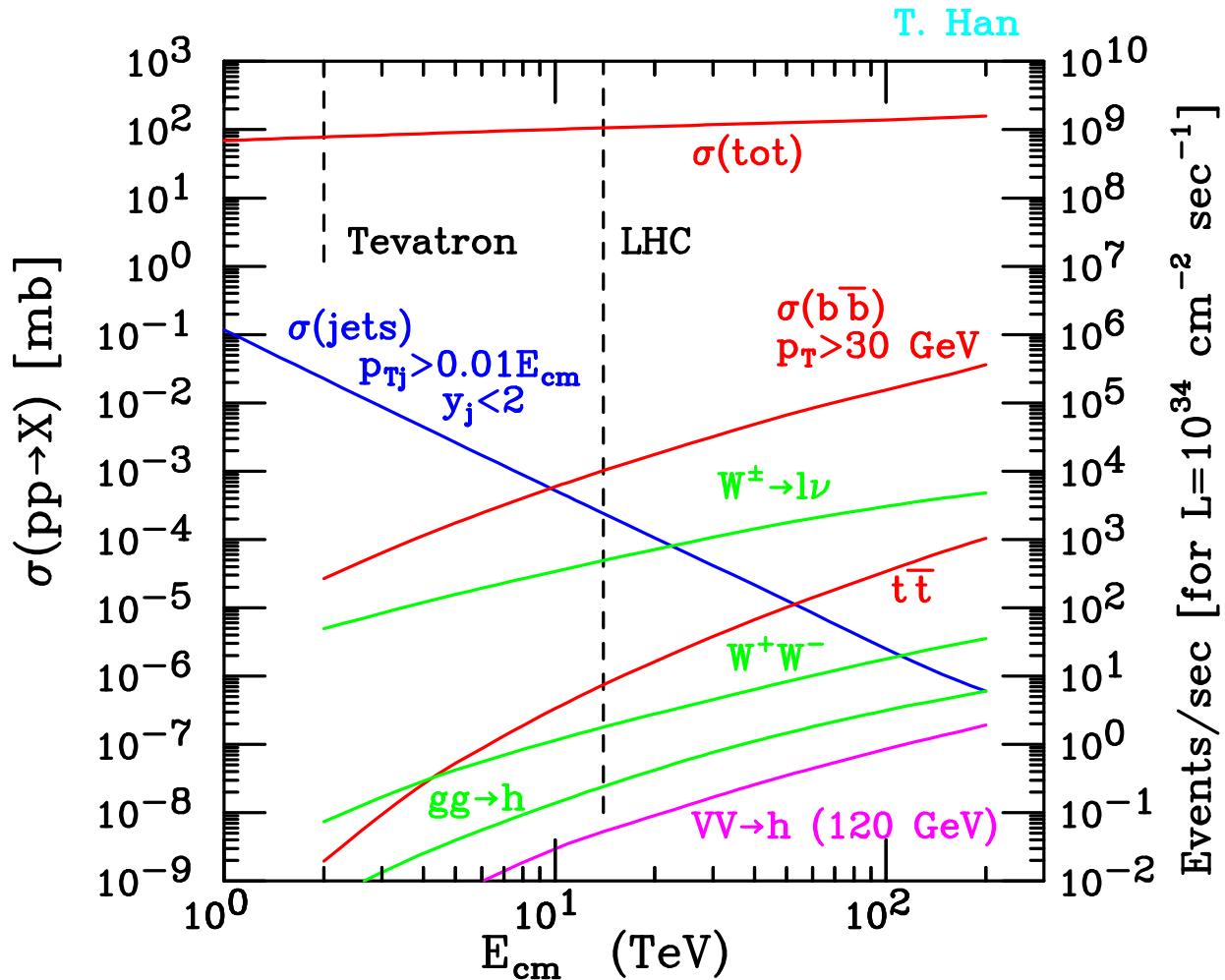
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(New mission started in March 2010.)

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$$10^{34}/\text{cm}^2/\text{s} \Rightarrow 100 \text{ fb}^{-1}/\text{yr}.$$

Annual yield # of events = $\sigma \times L_{int}$:

10B W^\pm ; 100M $t\bar{t}$; 10M W^+W^- ; 1M H^0 ...

Great potential to open a new chapter of HEP!

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- Parton distributions functions to the extreme (density):
 $Q^2 \sim (\text{a few TeV})^2, \quad x \sim 10^{-3} - 10^{-6}.$

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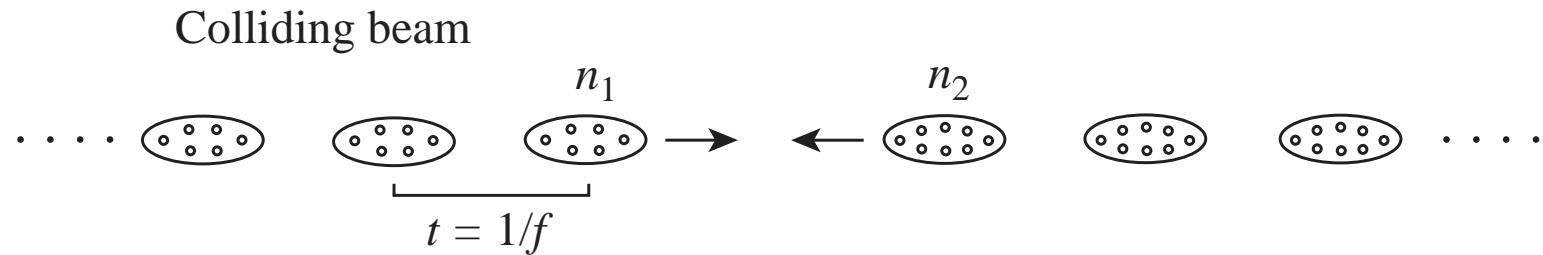
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With optimal triggering and kinematical selections:

$$p_T \geq 30 - 100 \text{ GeV}, \quad |\eta| \leq 3 - 5; \quad E_T \geq 100 \text{ GeV}.$$

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The four-momentum vector transforms as

$$\begin{aligned}\begin{pmatrix} E' \\ p'_z \end{pmatrix} &= \begin{pmatrix} \gamma & -\gamma \beta_{cm} \\ -\gamma \beta_{cm} & \gamma \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} E \\ p_z \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} \cosh y_{cm} & -\sinh y_{cm} \\ -\sinh y_{cm} & \cosh y_{cm} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} E \\ p_z \end{pmatrix}.\end{aligned}$$

This is often called the “boost”.

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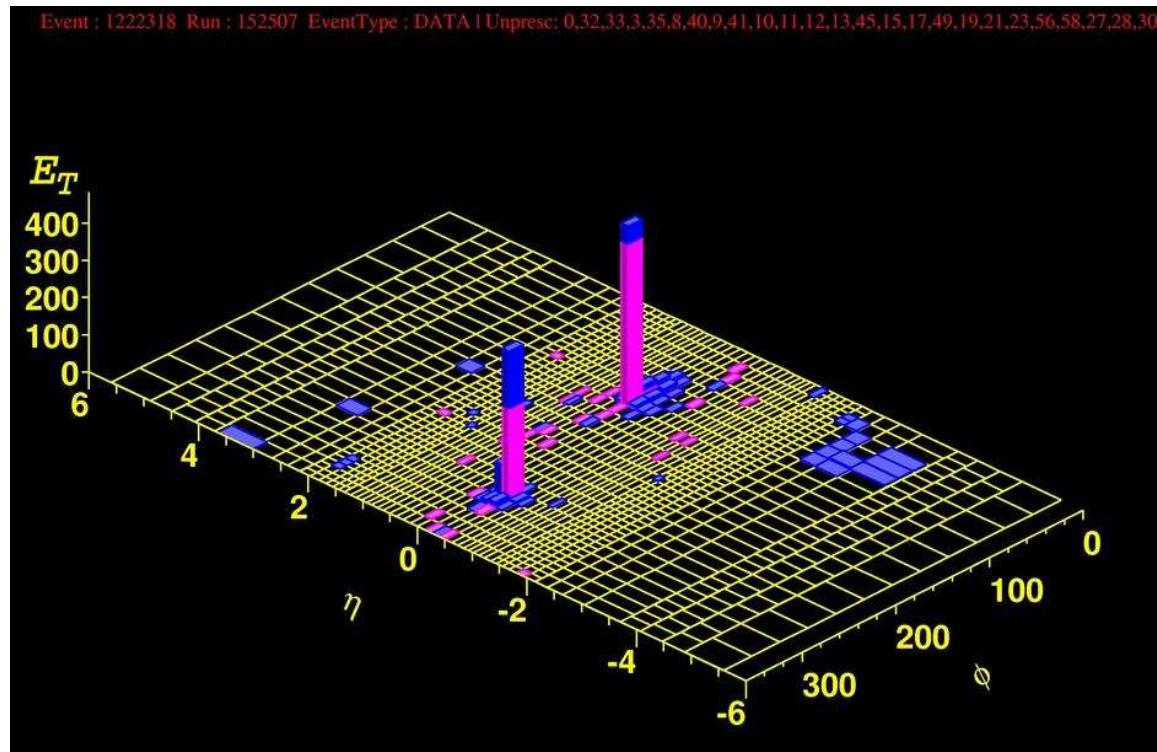
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In the massless limit, rapidity \rightarrow pseudo-rapidity:

$$y \rightarrow \eta = \frac{1}{2} \ln \frac{1 + \cos \theta}{1 - \cos \theta} = \ln \cot \frac{\theta}{2}.$$

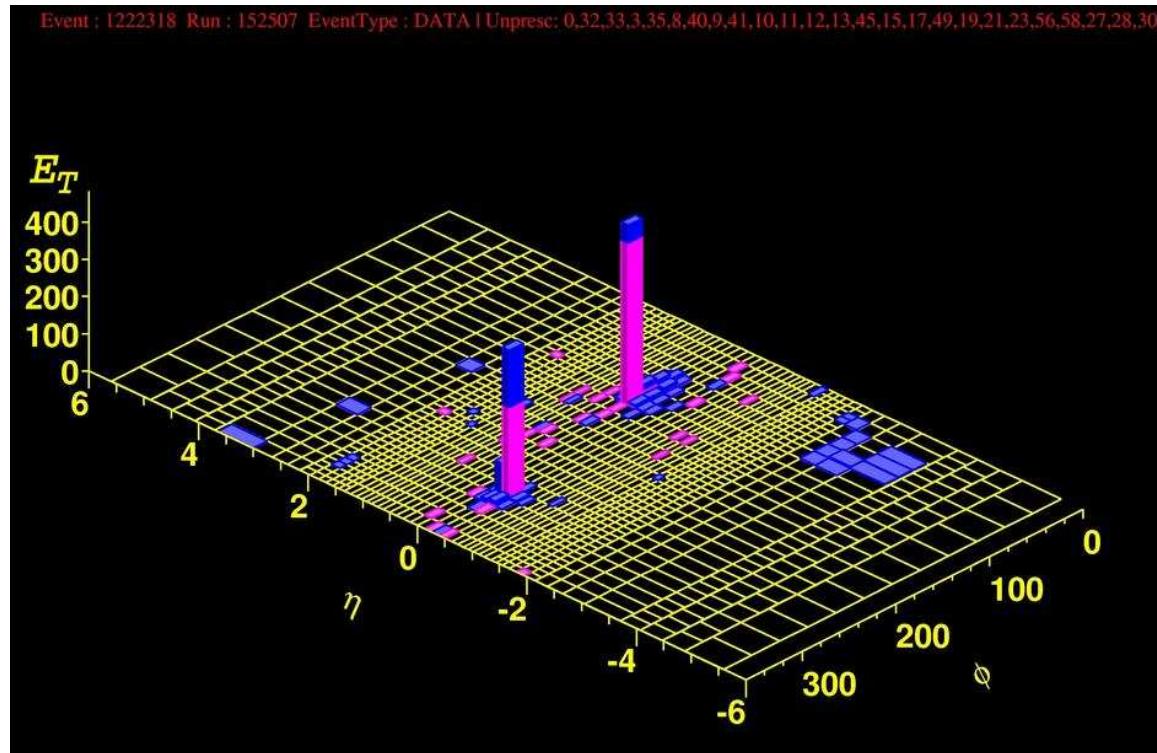
Exercise 4.1: Verify all the above equations.

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$\phi, \Delta y = y_2 - y_1$ is boost-invariant.

Thus the “separation” between two particles in an event

$$\Delta R = \sqrt{\Delta\phi^2 + \Delta y^2}$$
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and lead to the “cone definition” of a jet.

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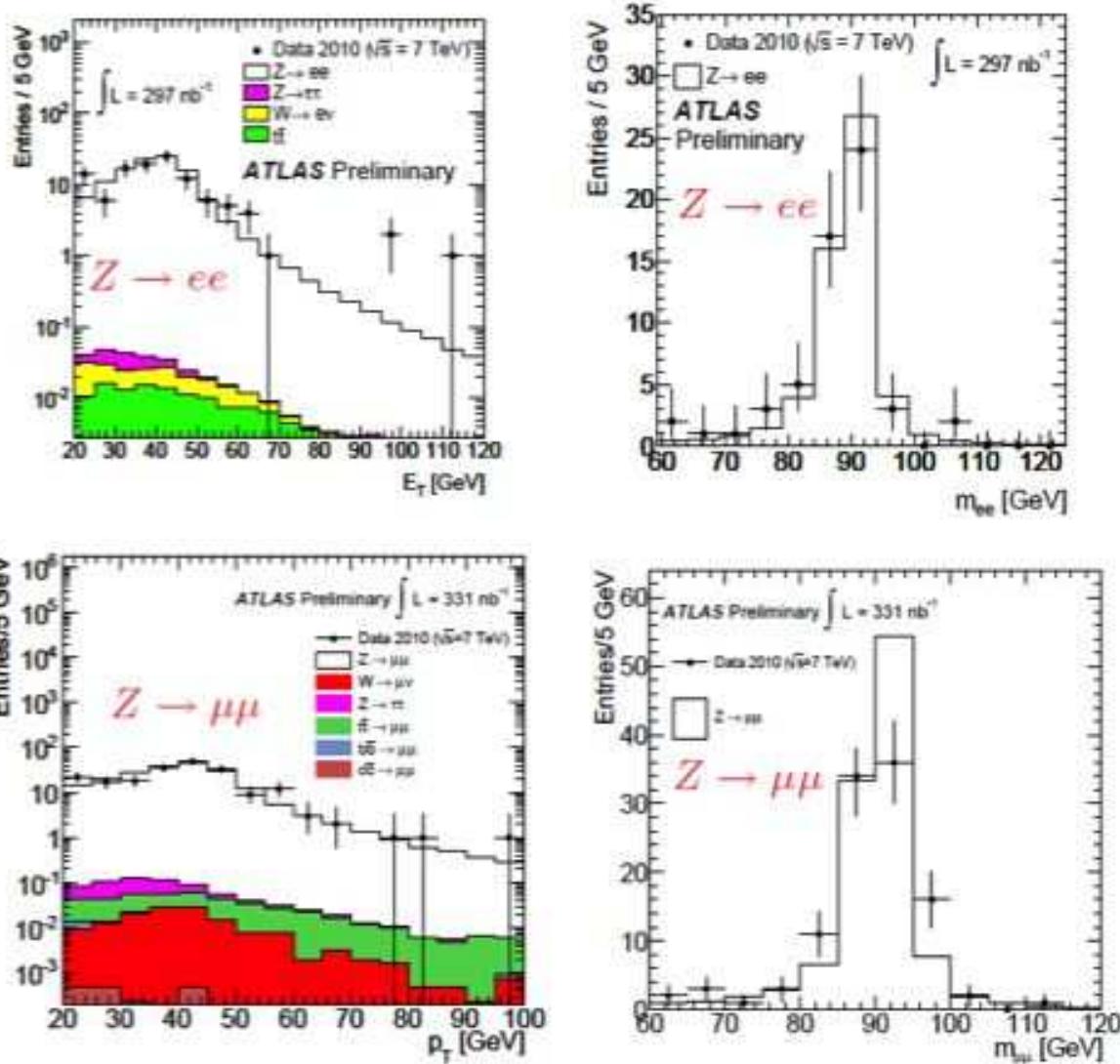
$E_{cm} = 7 \text{ TeV}$, integrated luminosity 1.5 pb^{-1} ,

leading the HEP frontier.

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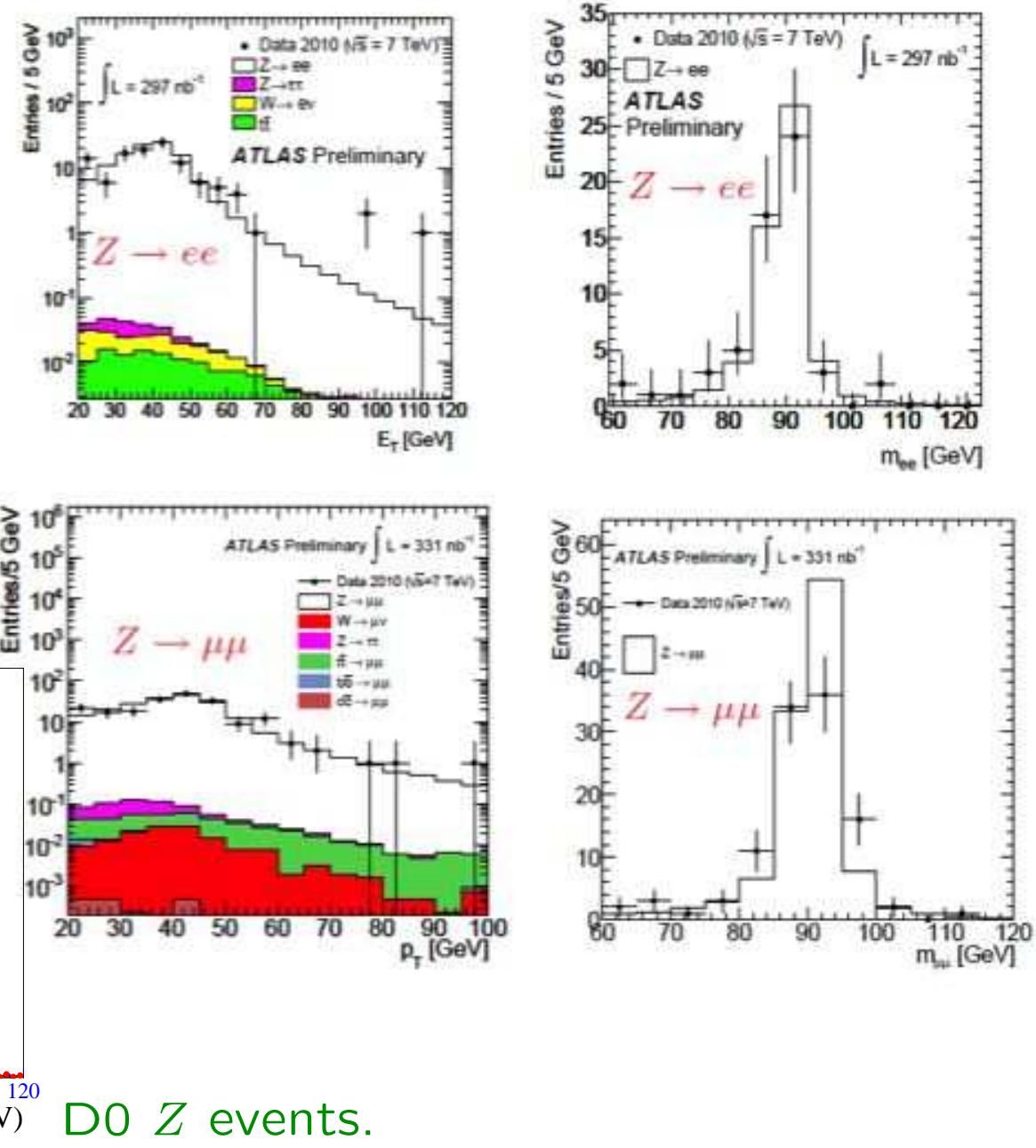
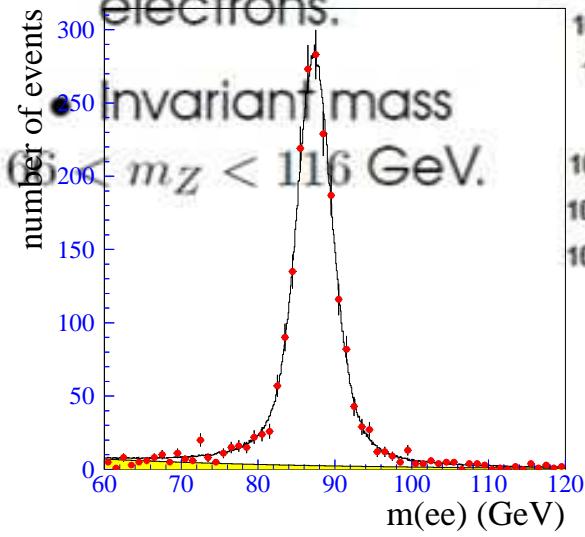
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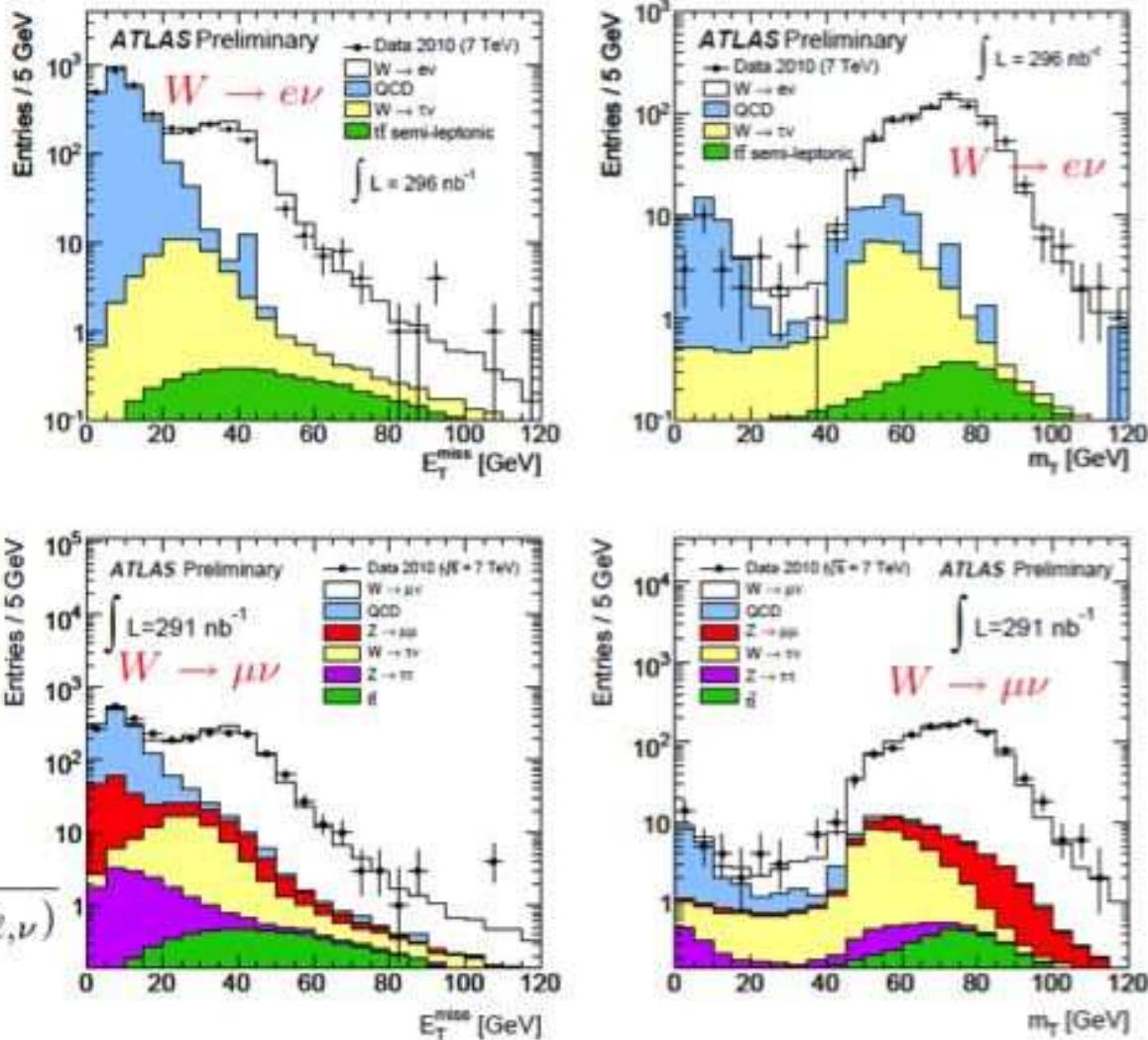
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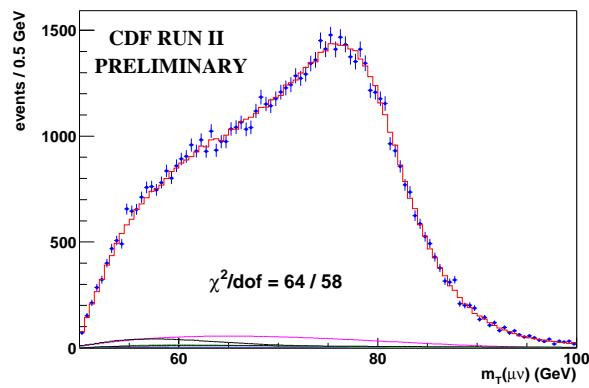


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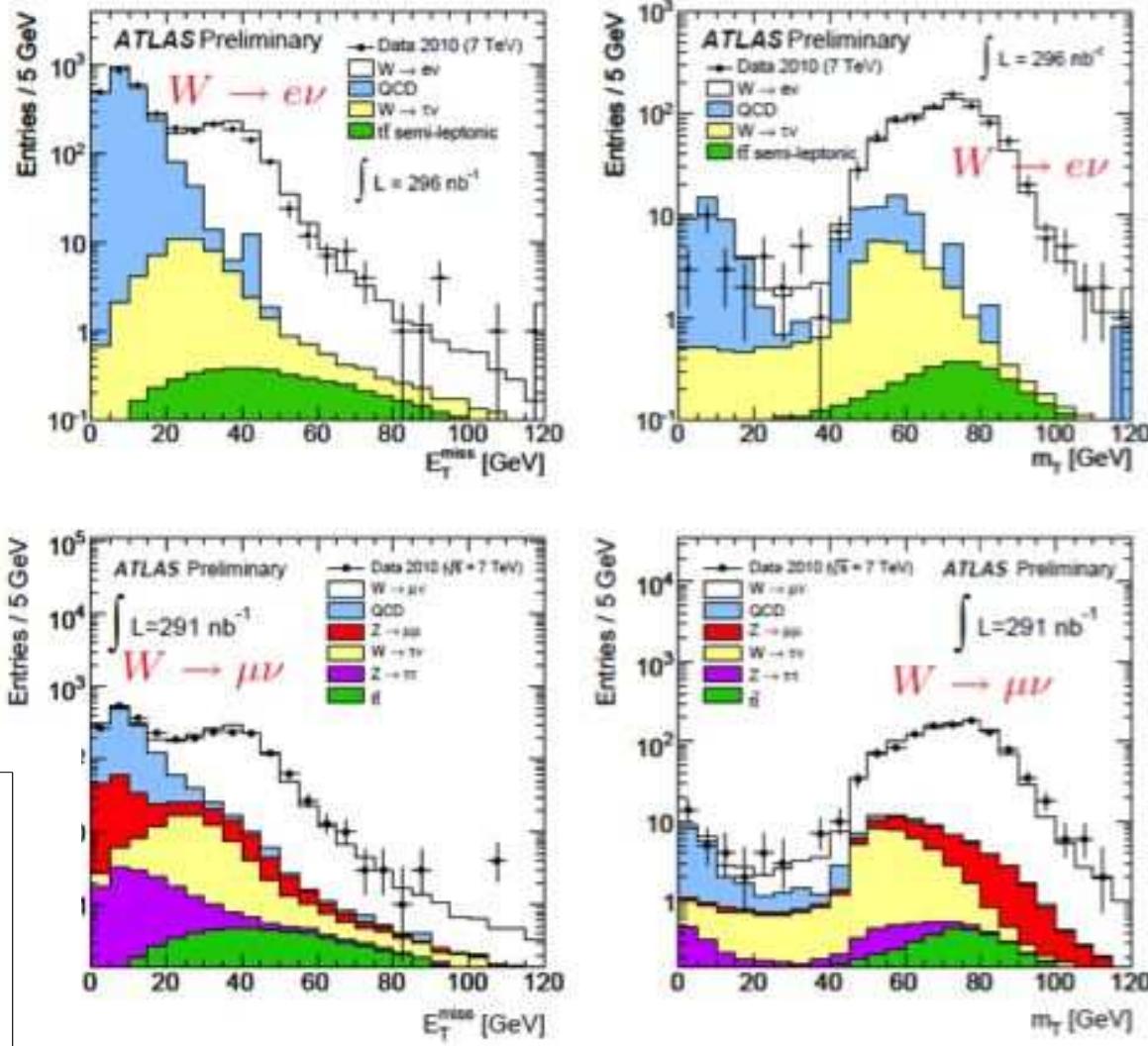
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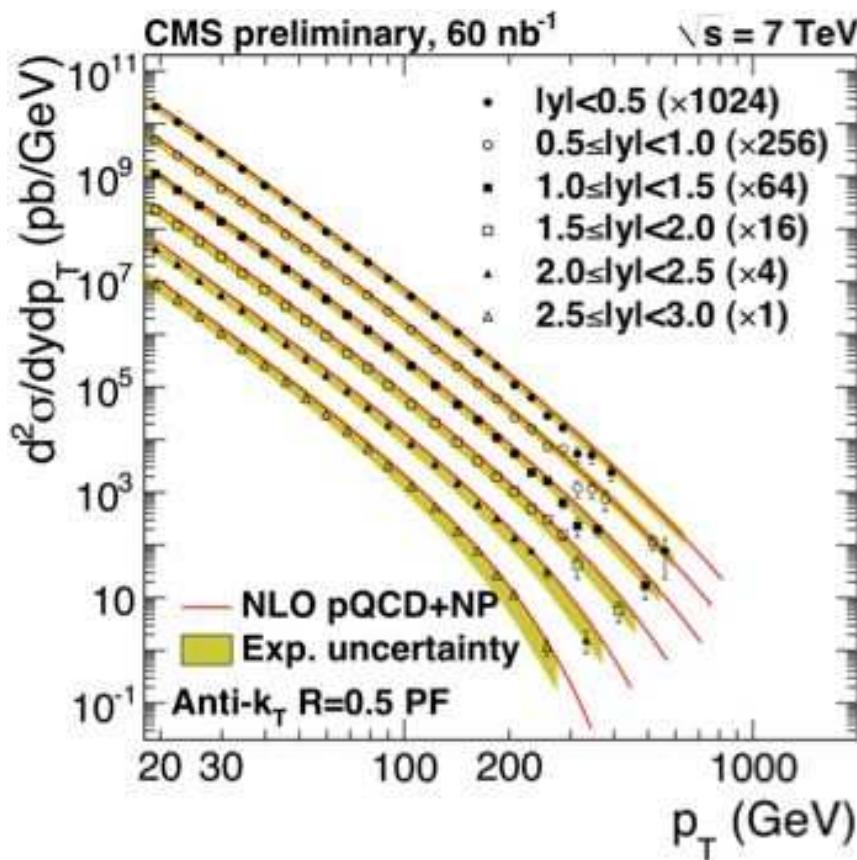


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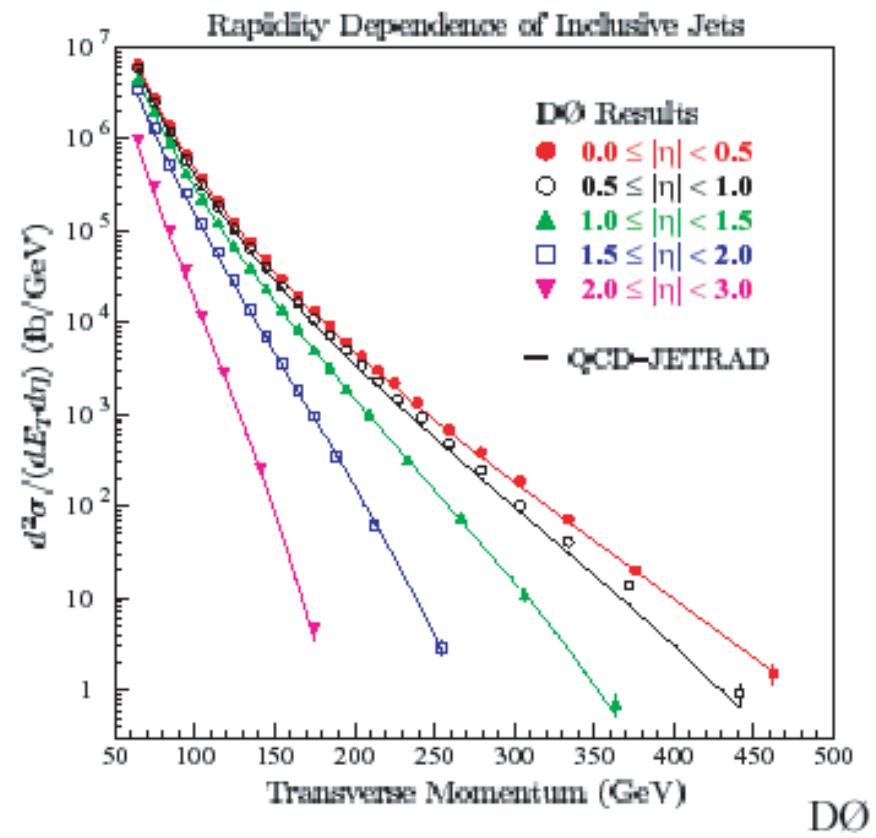


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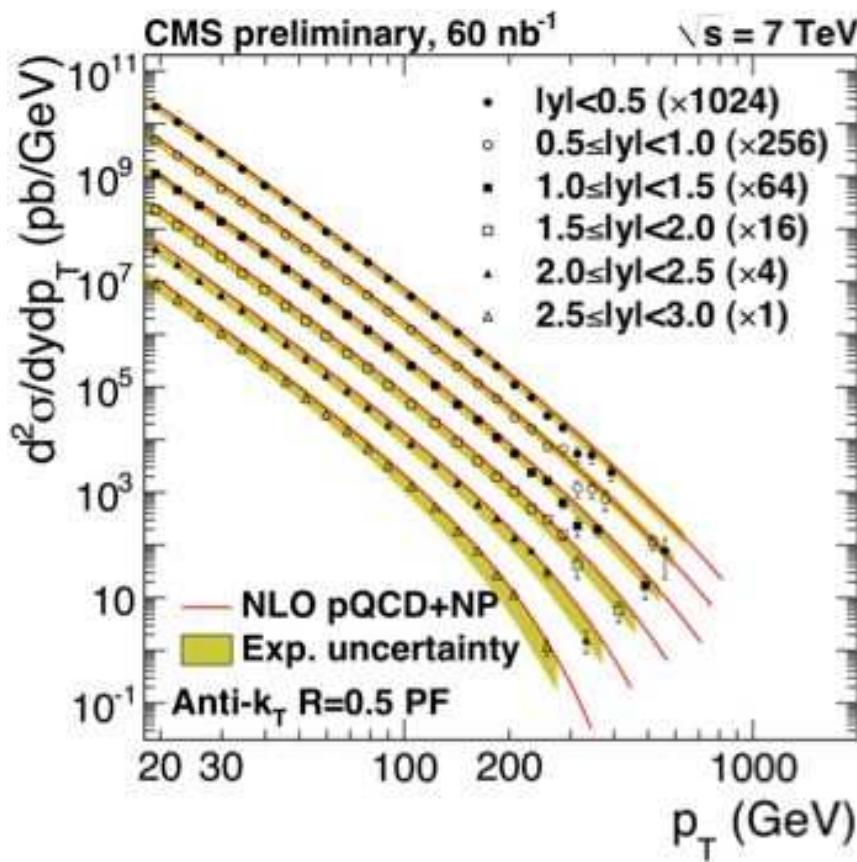
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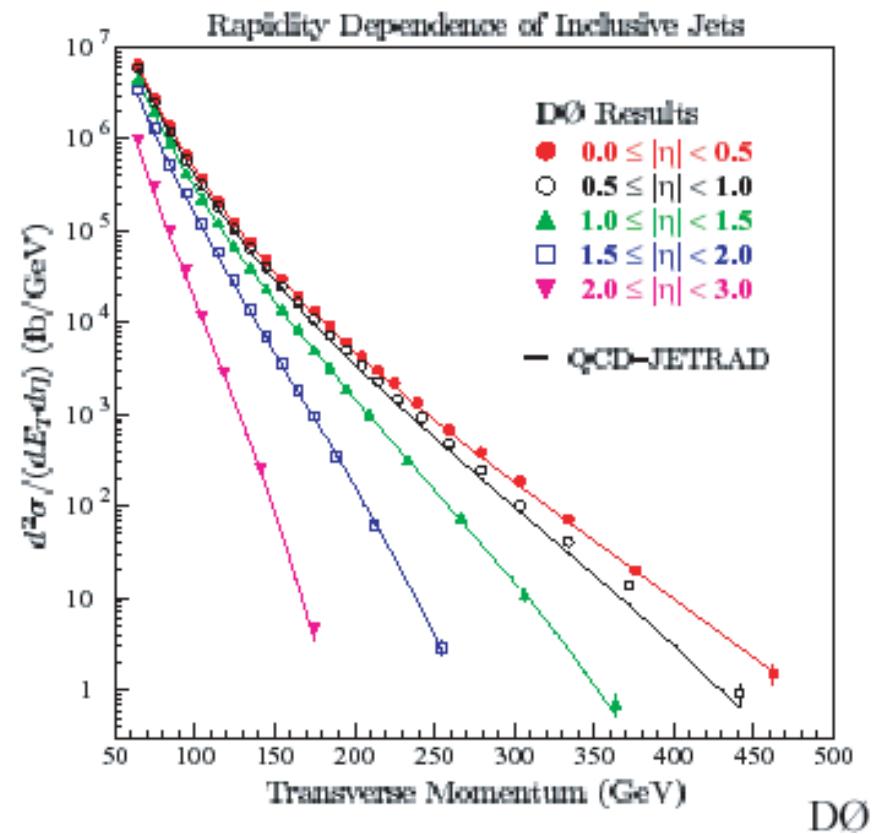
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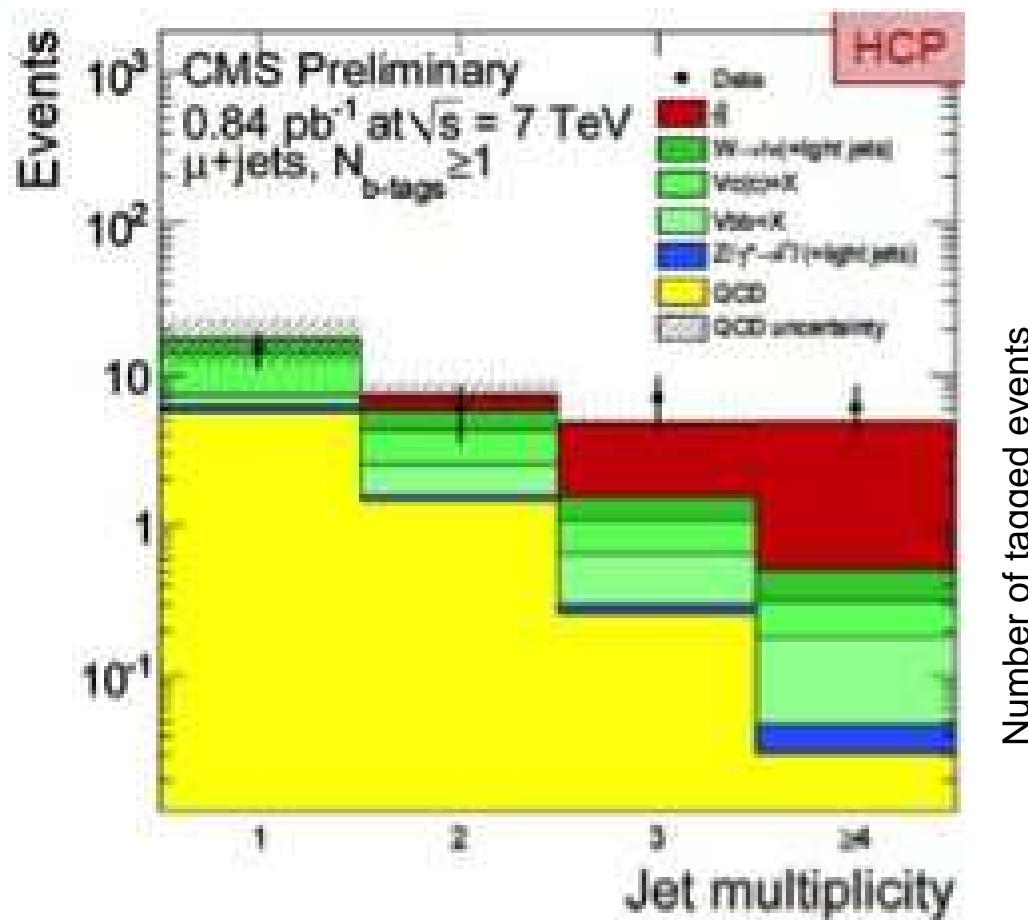


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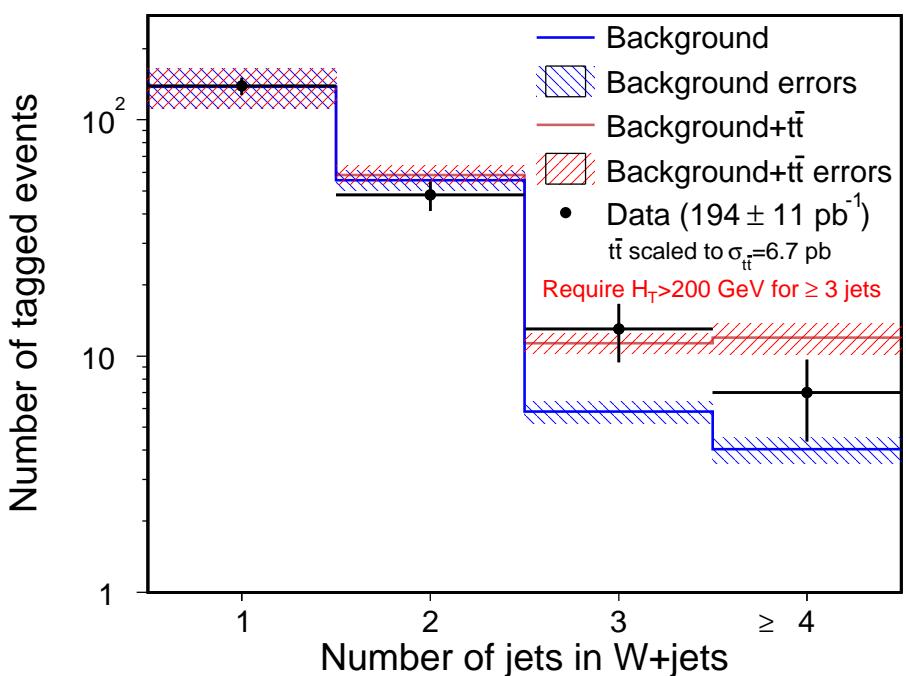


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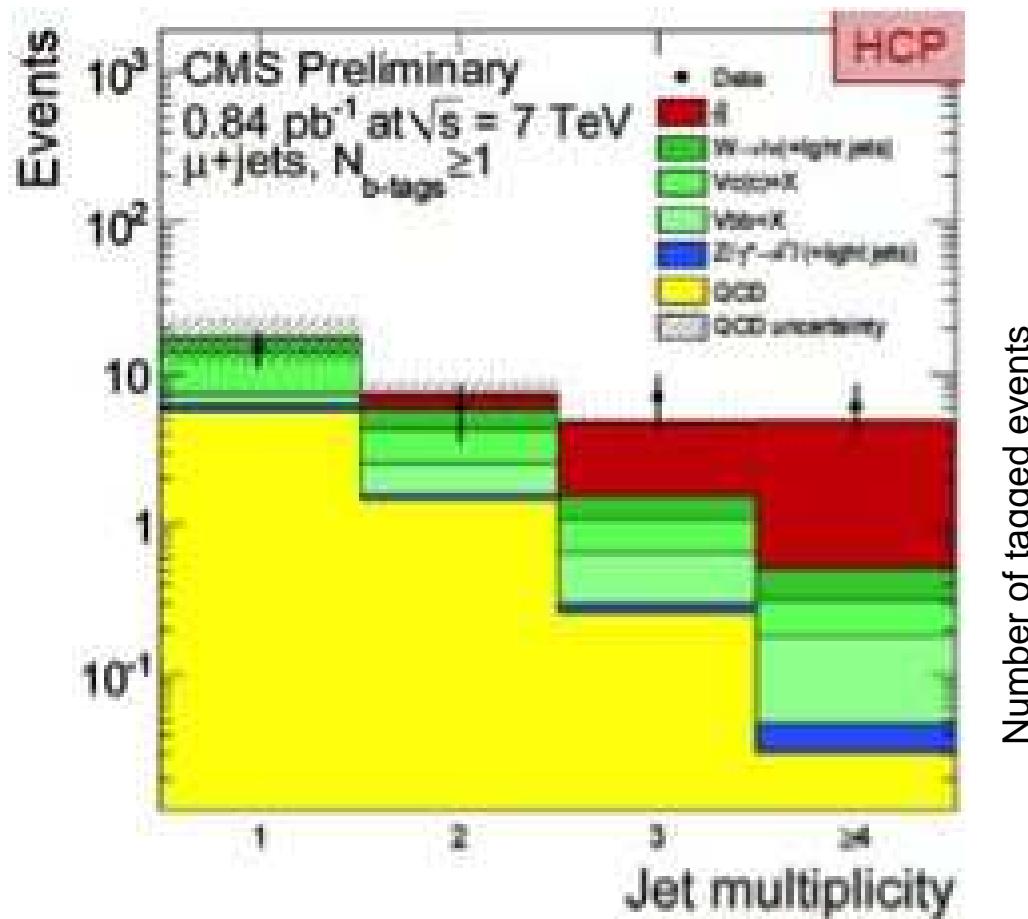
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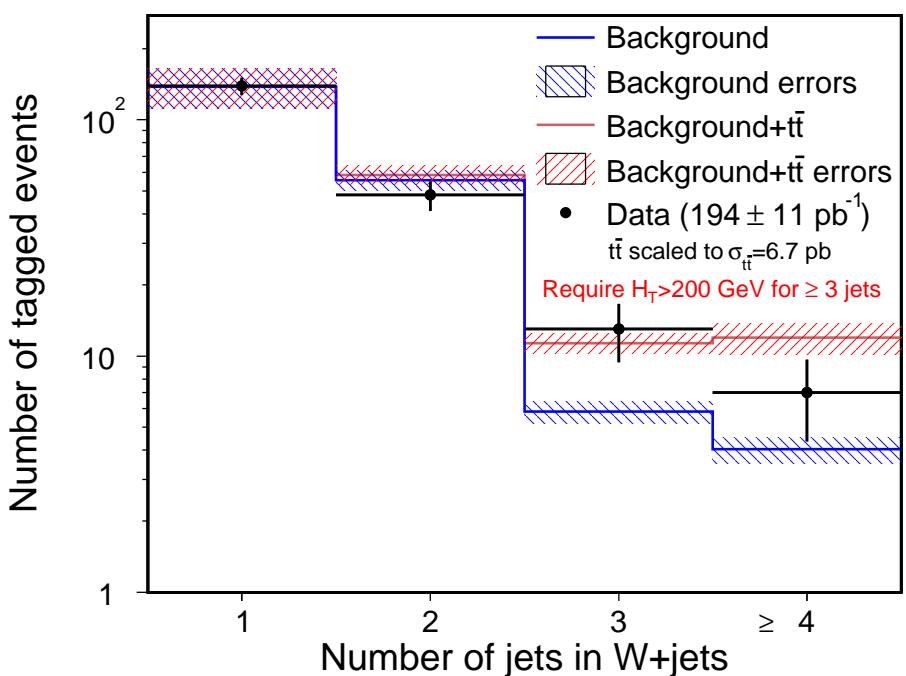
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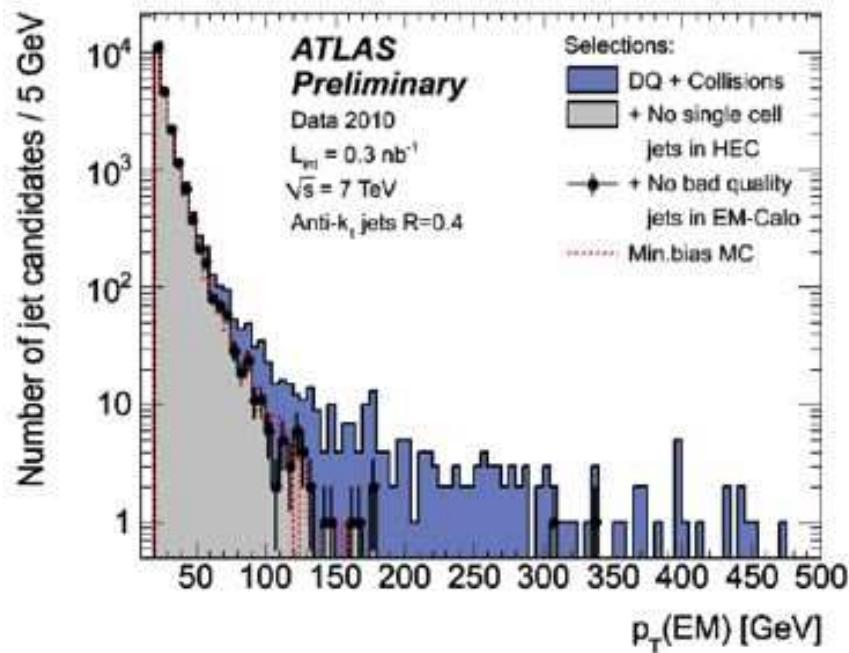


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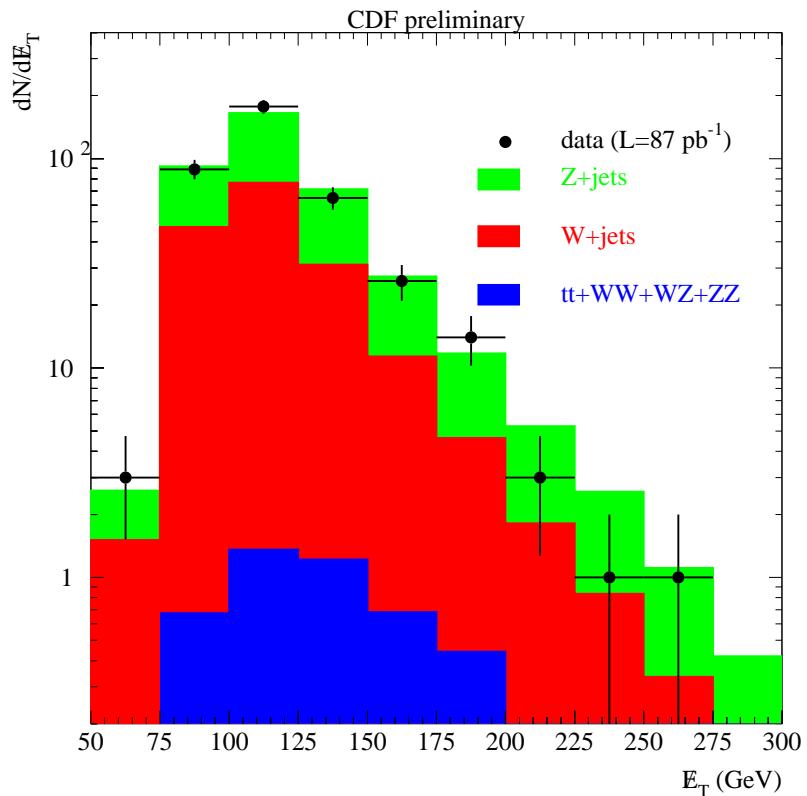


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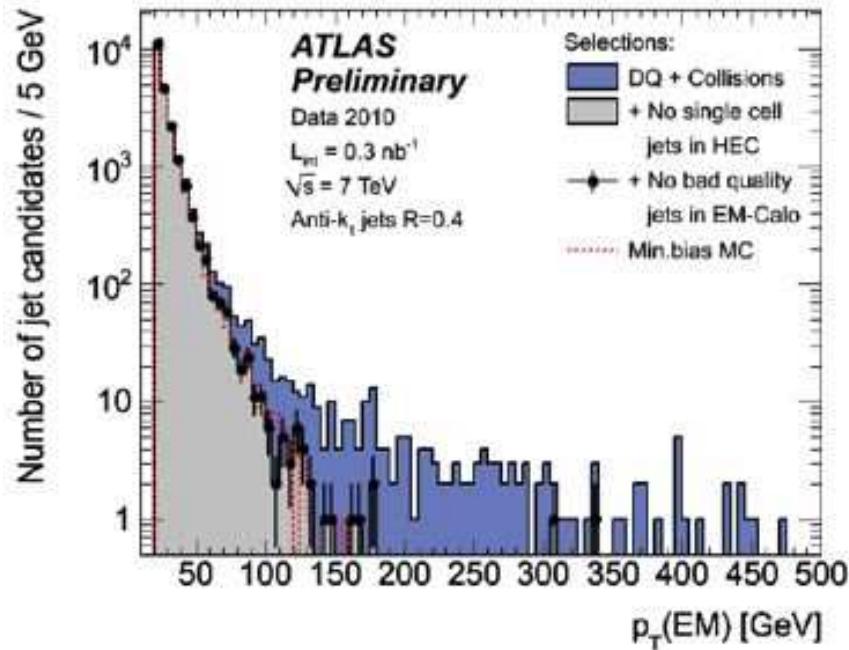
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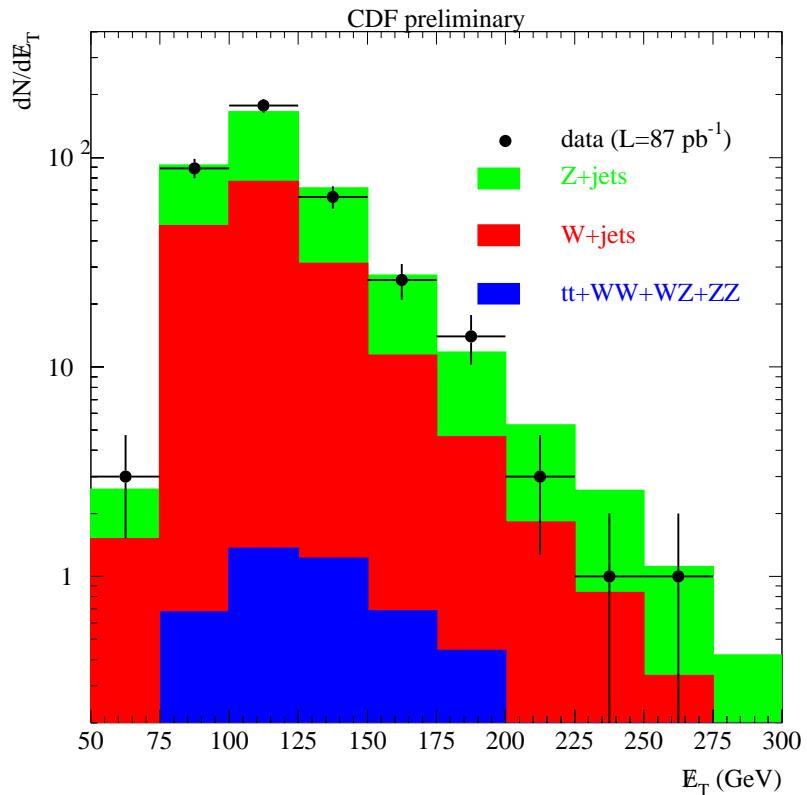
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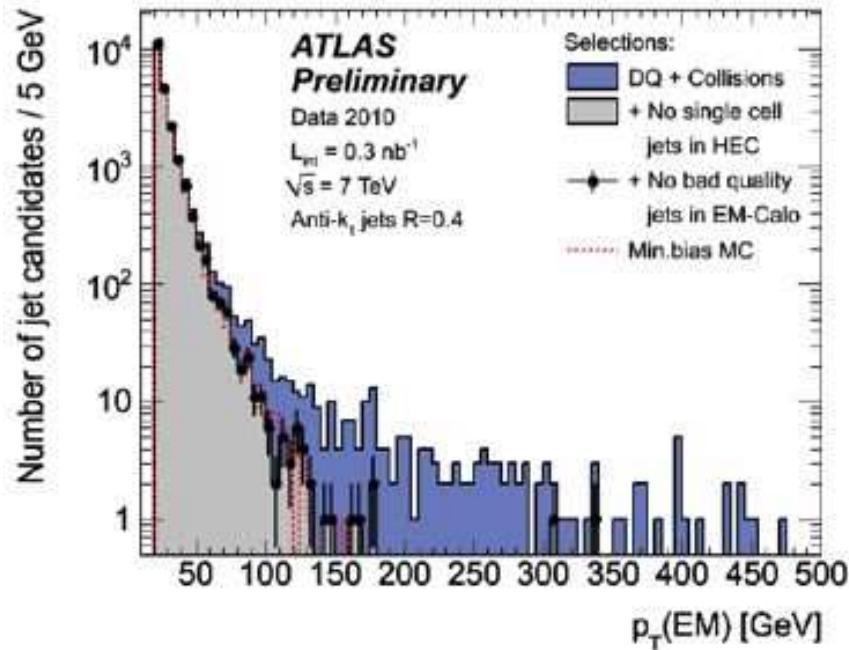


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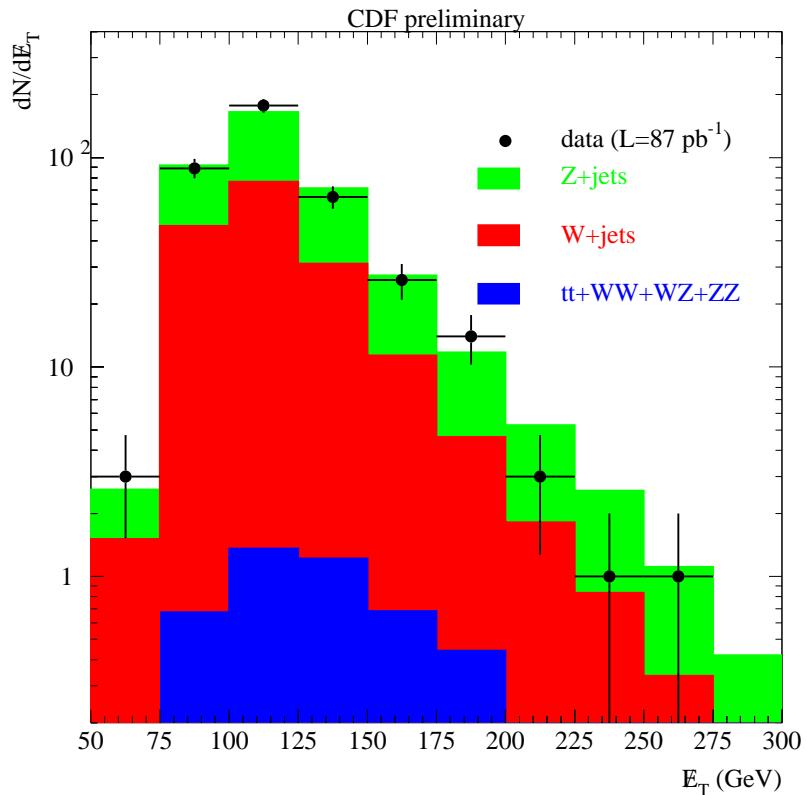


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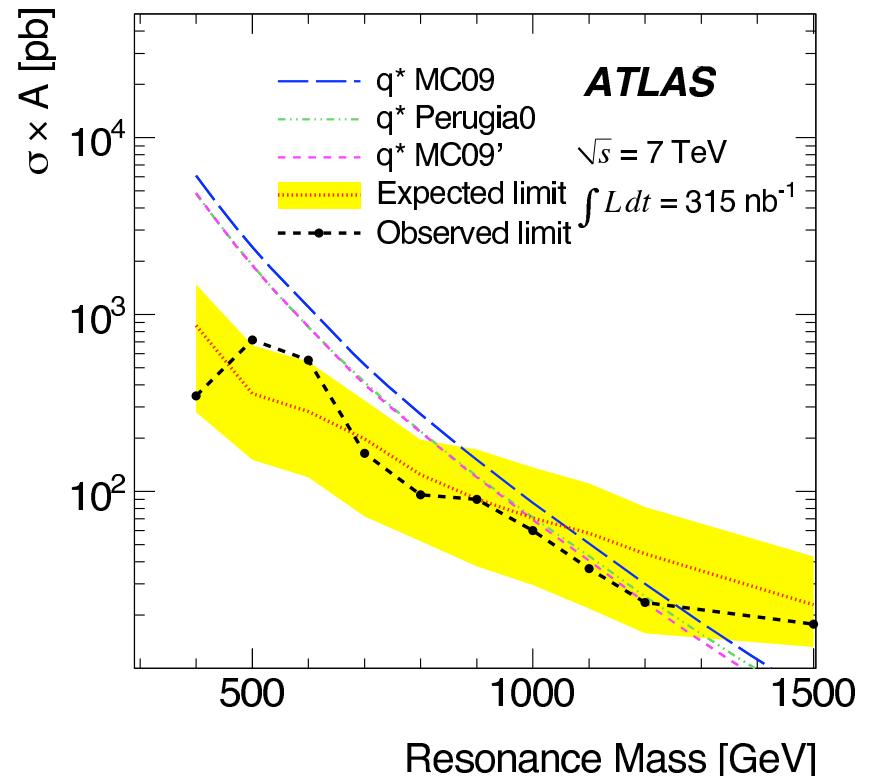
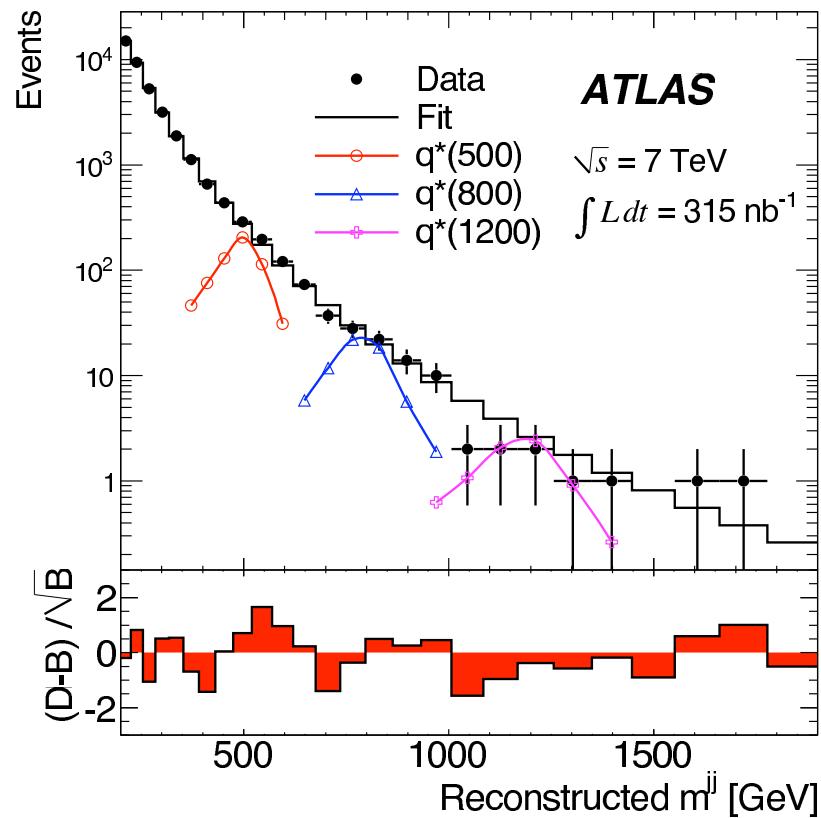
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The Standard Model rediscovered !

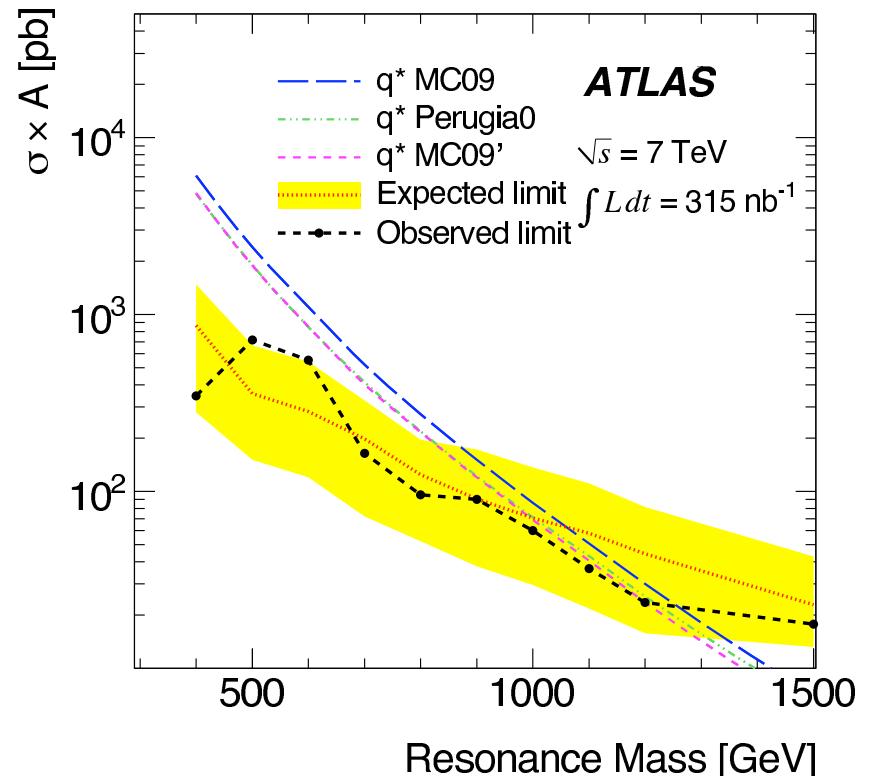
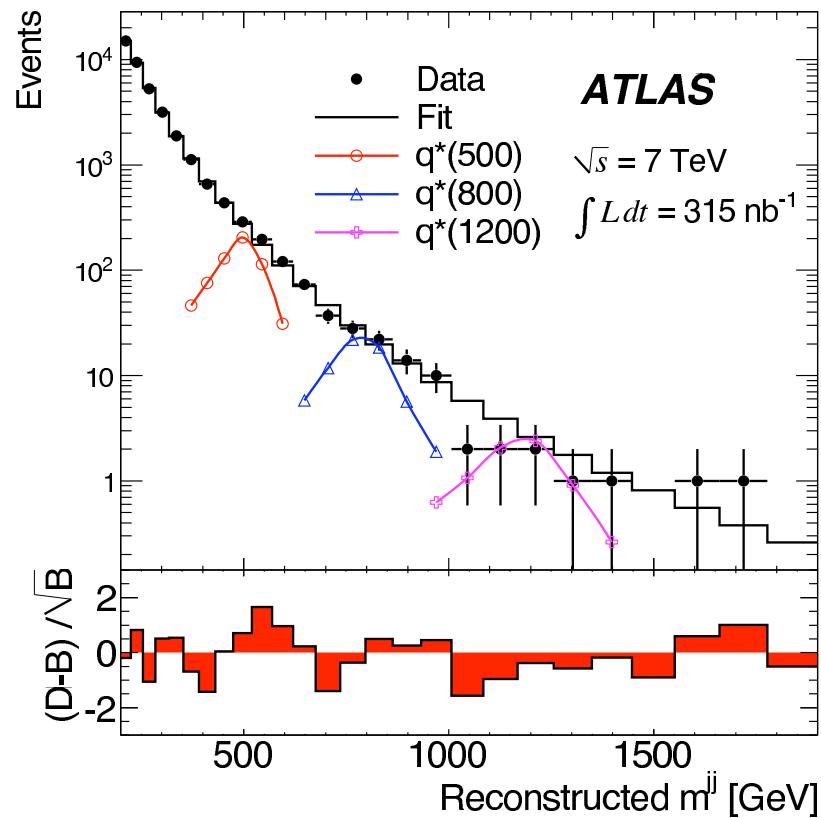
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Energy momentum observables ⇒ mass parameters

Angular observables ⇒ nature of couplings;

Production rates, decay branchings/lifetimes ⇒ interaction strengths.

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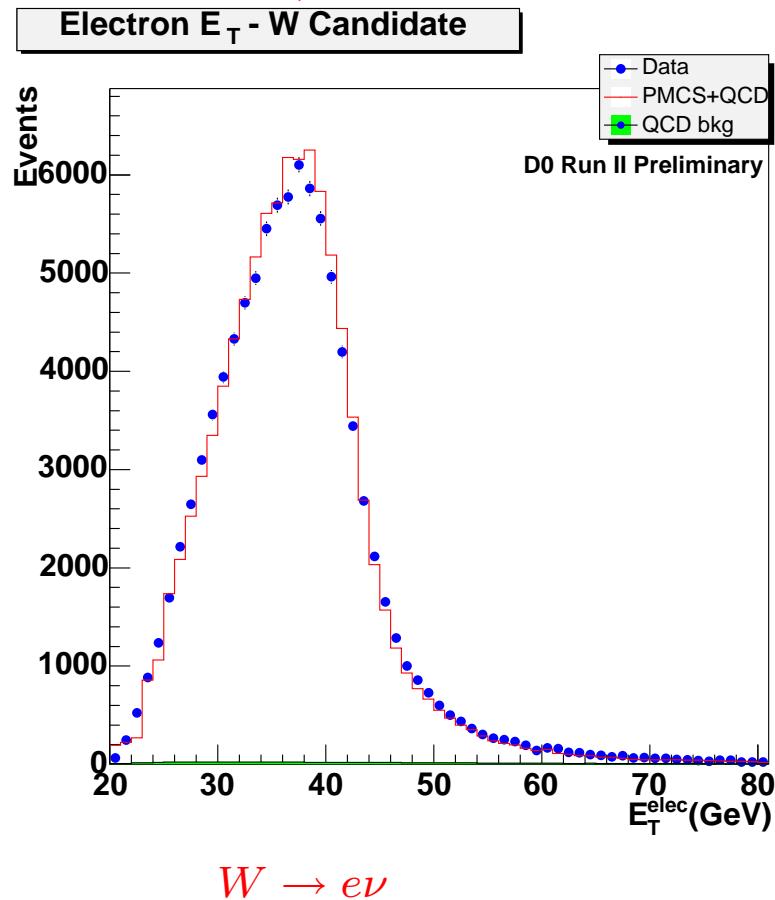
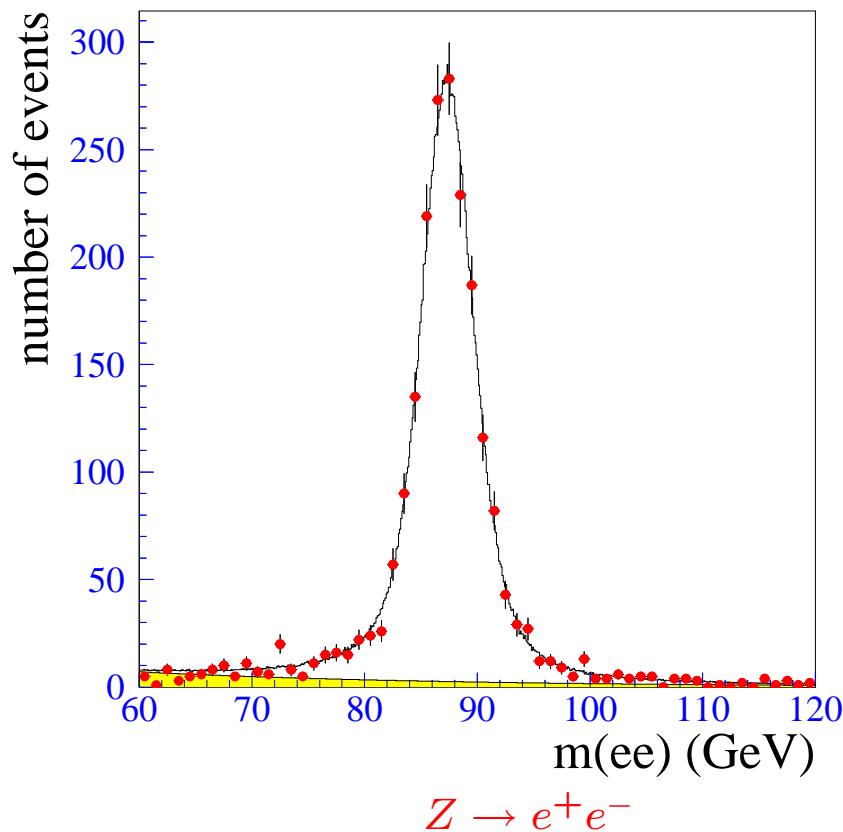
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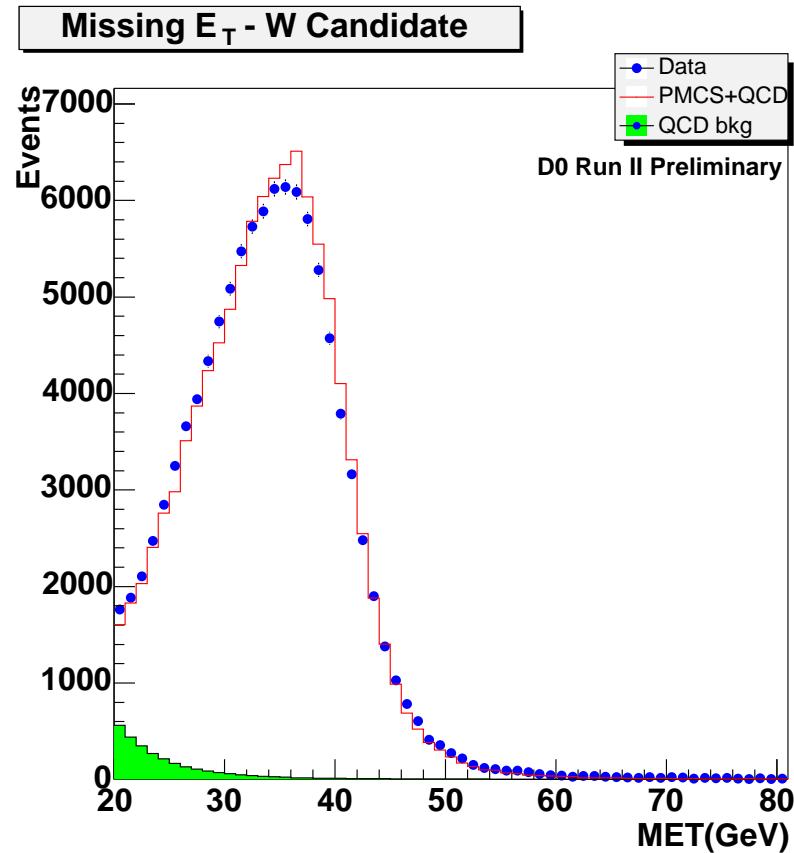
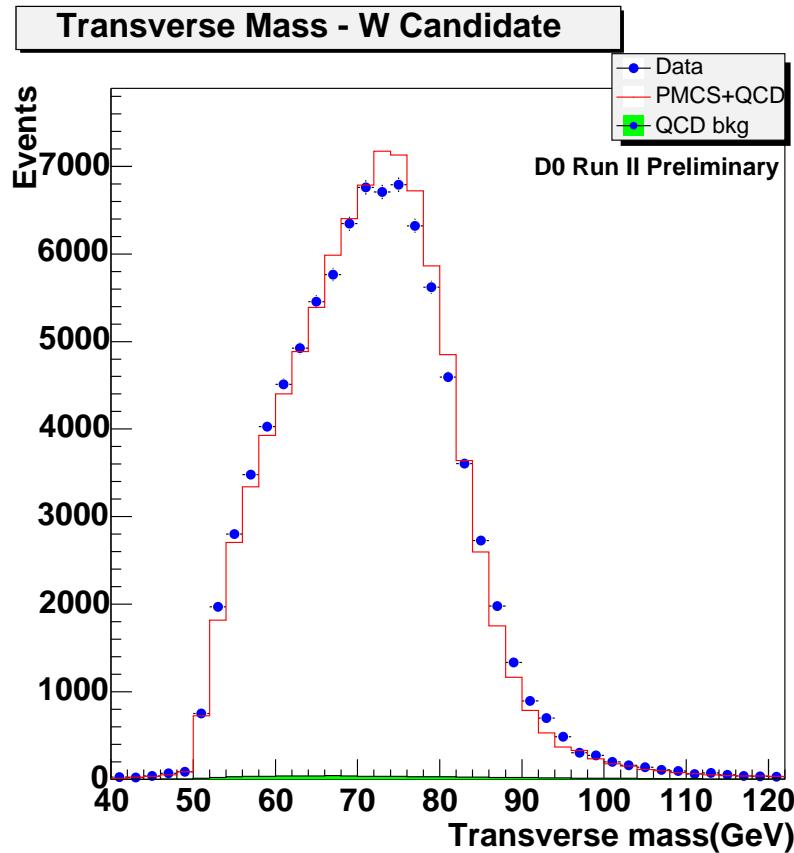
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- “transverse” mass of two-body $W^- \rightarrow e^-\bar{\nu}_e$:

$$\begin{aligned}
 m_{e\nu}^2 T &= (E_{eT} + E_{\nu T})^2 - (\vec{p}_{eT} + \vec{p}_{\nu T})^2 \\
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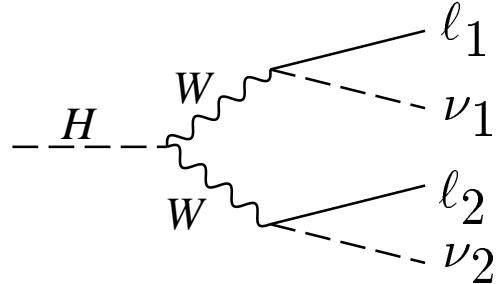
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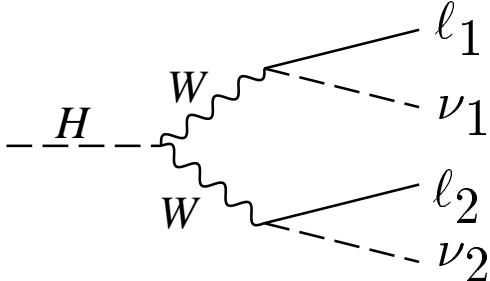
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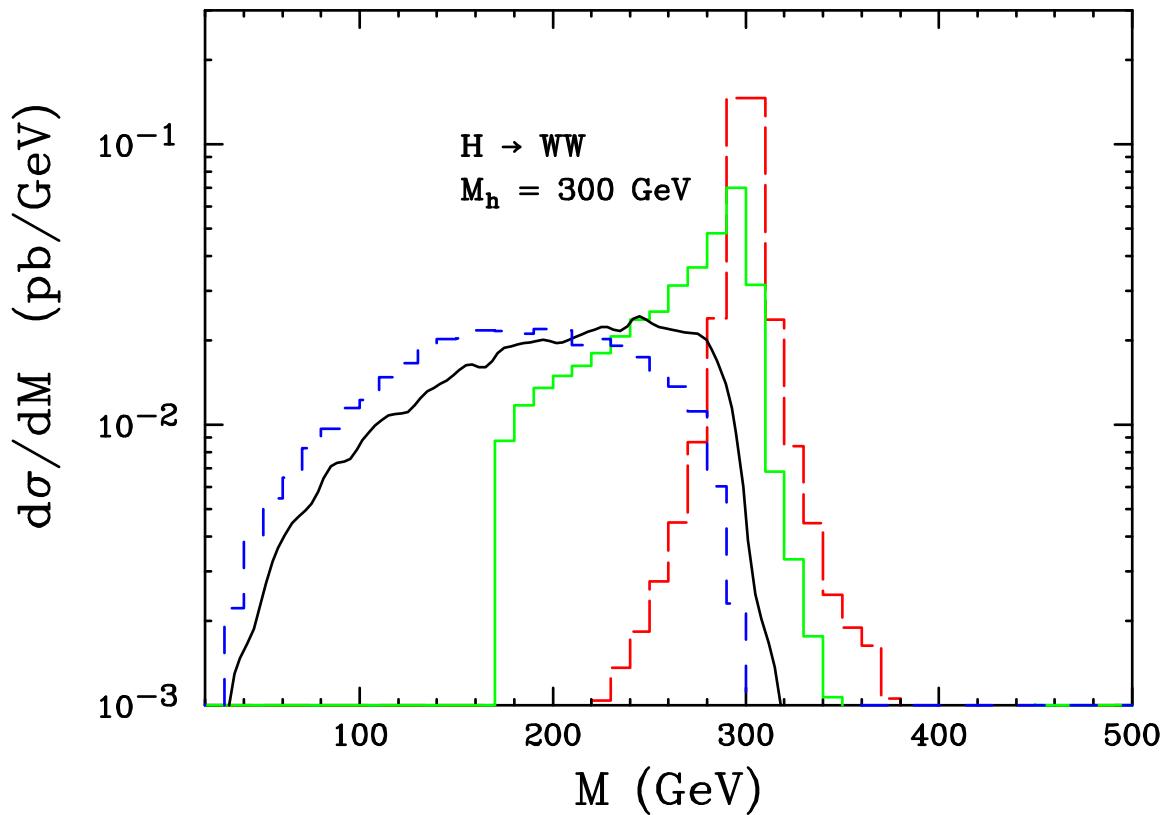
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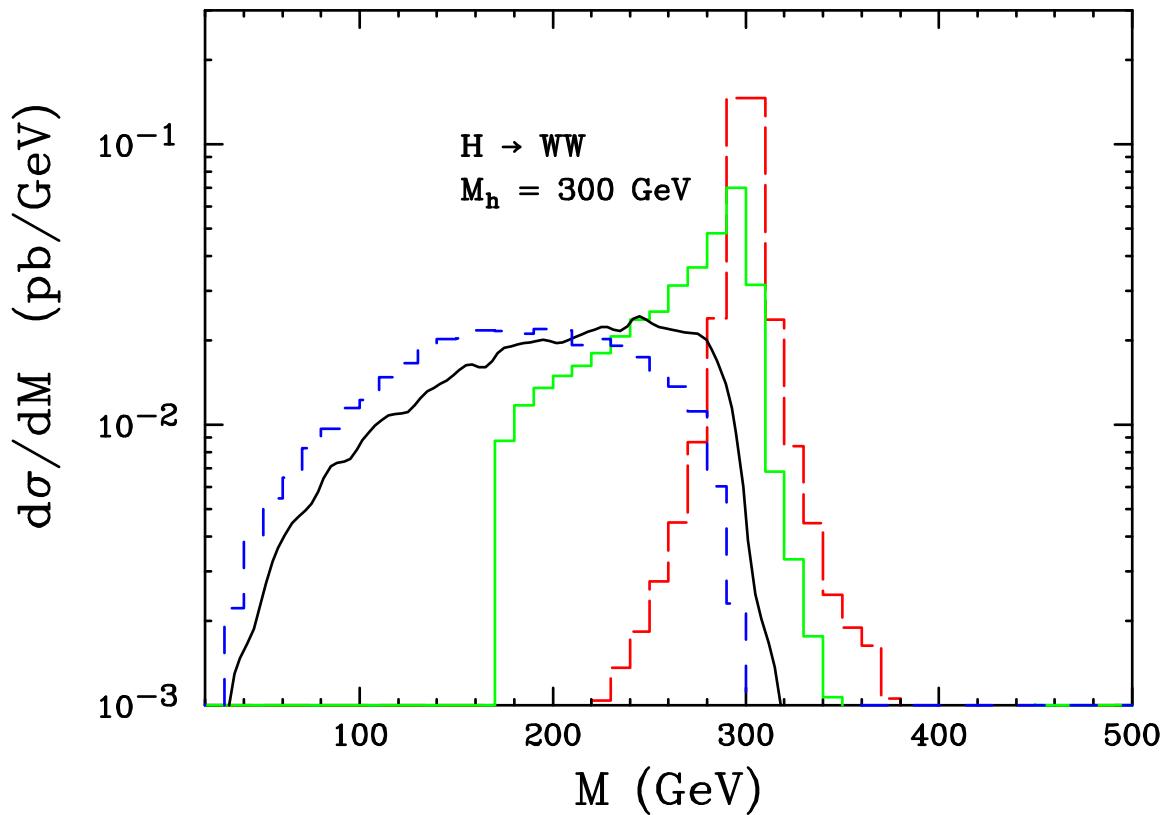
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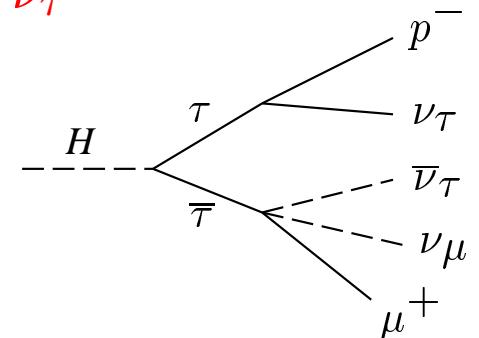
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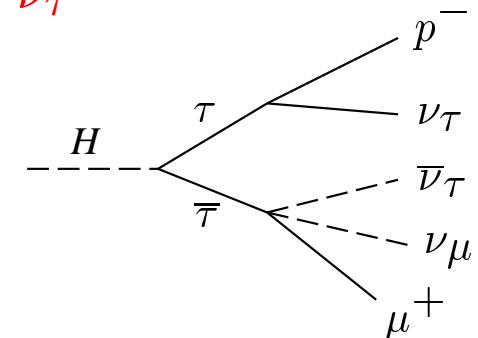
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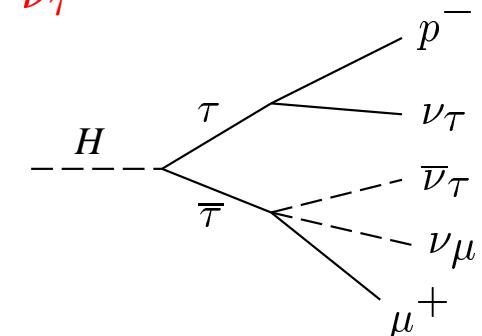
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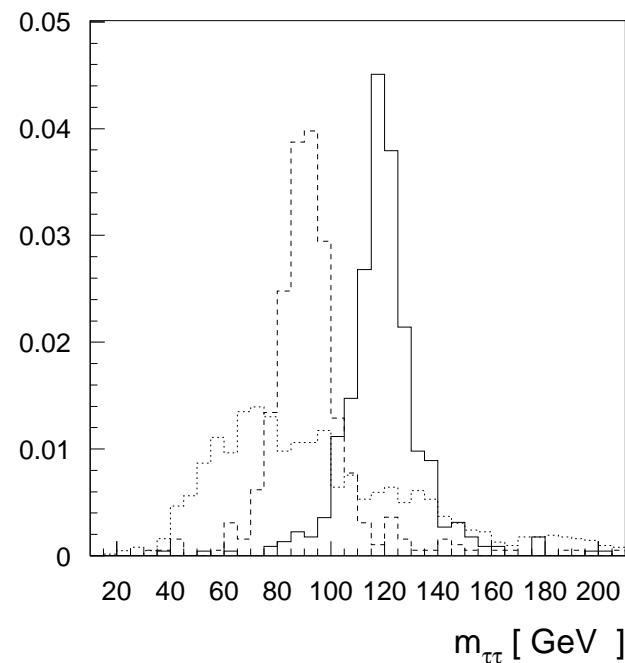
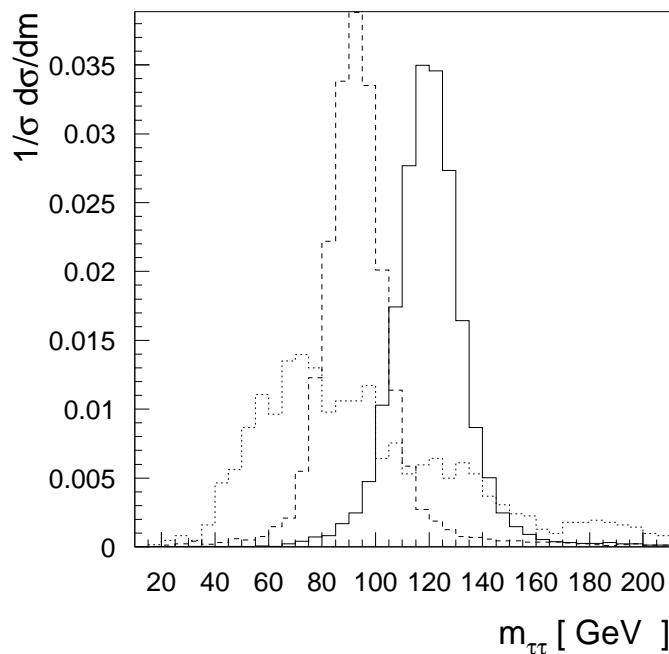
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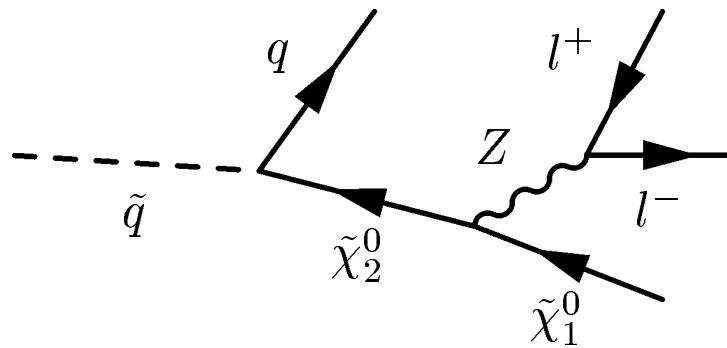
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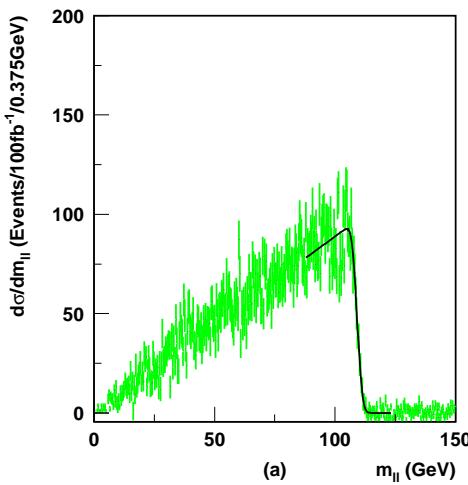
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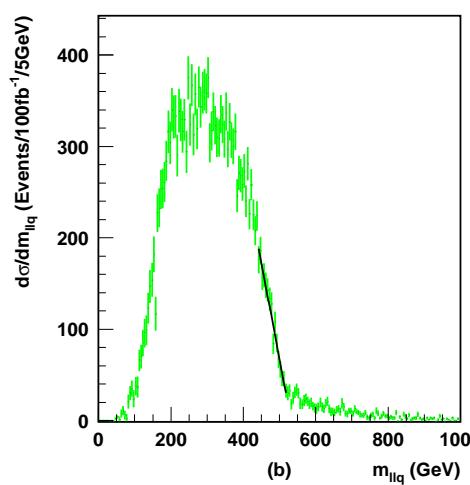


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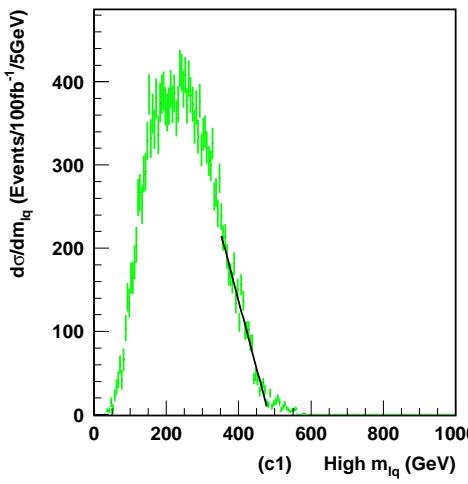
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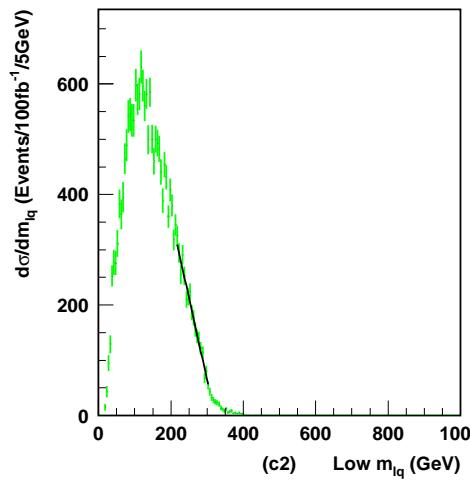
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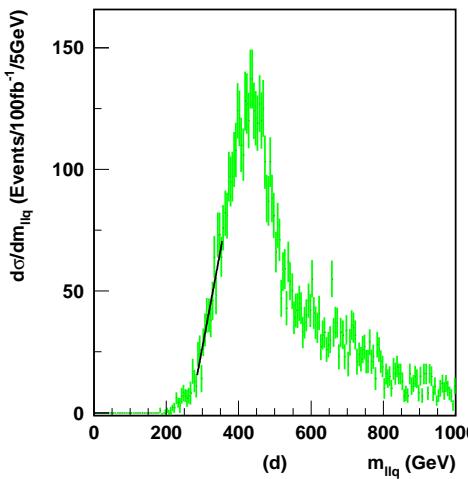
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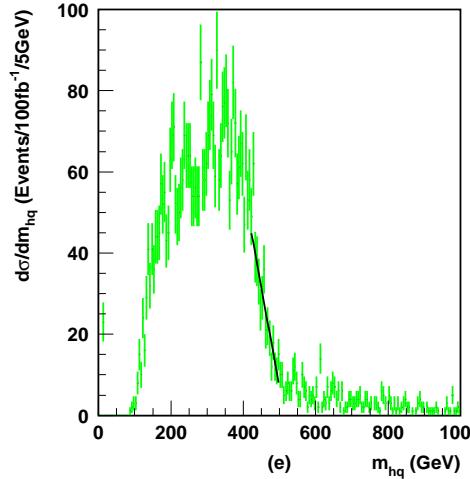
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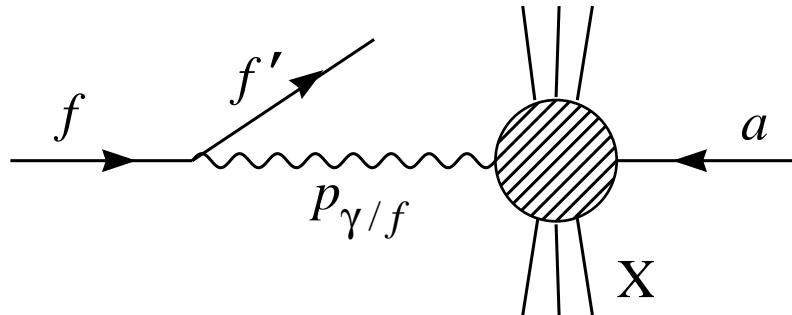


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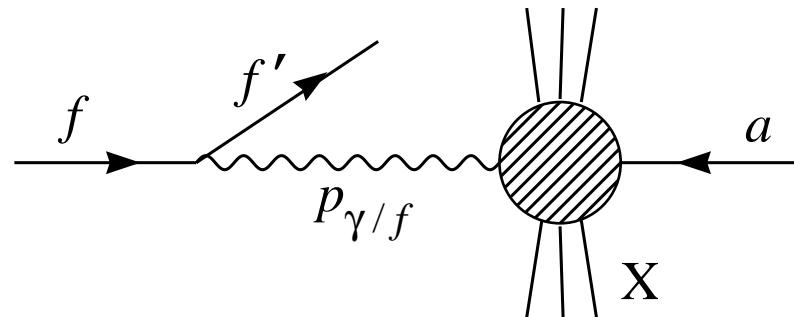


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has become important tools for Higgs searches, single-top signal etc.

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The coupling vertex of a vector boson V_μ to an arbitrary fermion pair f

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The parton-level forward-backward asymmetry is defined as

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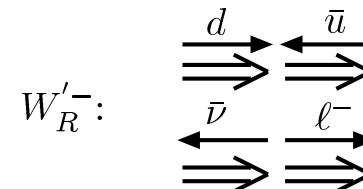
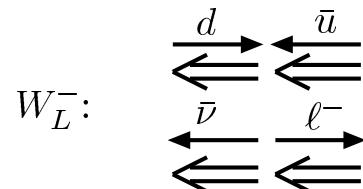
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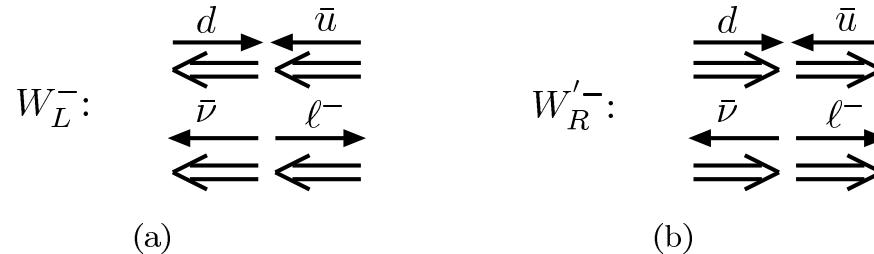
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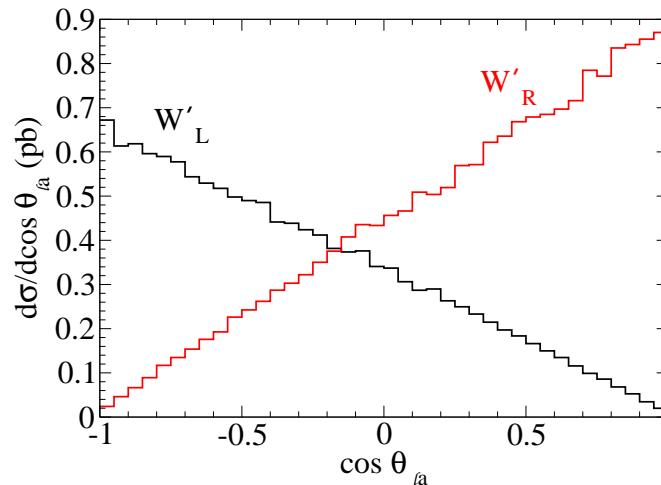
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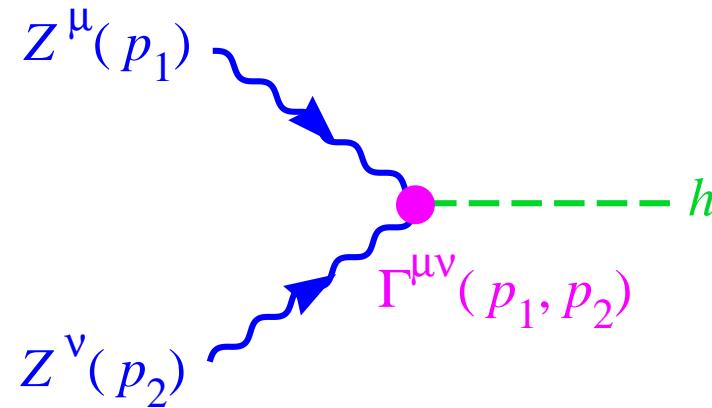
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b). Construct a CP-odd kinematical variable for an initially CP-eigenstate:

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$$\Gamma^{\mu\nu}(p_1, p_2) = i \frac{2}{v} h [a M_Z^2 g^{\mu\nu} + b (p_1^\mu p_2^\nu - p_1 \cdot p_2 g^{\mu\nu}) + \tilde{b} \epsilon^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} p_{1\rho} p_{2\sigma}]$$

$a = 1, b = \tilde{b} = 0$ for SM.

In general, a, b, \tilde{b} complex form factors, describing new physics at a higher scale.

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E.g. 2: $H \rightarrow t(p_t)\bar{t}(p_{\bar{t}}) \rightarrow e^+(q_1)\nu_1 b_1, e^-(q_2)\nu_2 b_2.$

$$-\frac{m_t}{v}\bar{t}(a + b\gamma^5)t H$$
$$O_{CP} \sim (\vec{p}_t - \vec{p}_{\bar{t}}) \cdot (\vec{p}_{e^+} \times \vec{p}_{e^-}).$$

thus define an asymmetry angle.