

# Search for heavy diboson resonances in semileptonic final states in pp collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 13$ TeV with the ATLAS detector

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# Introduction

- Di-boson searches are highly motivated and have been proven fruitful in the past (Higgs discovery)
- Many theories predict di-boson resonances with different properties(charge, spin, width, production mechanism) such as:
  - Extended Higgs/Gauge sectors, Quantum Gravity ...
- Search for new particles that decay into pairs of W/Z bosons in **semileptonic channel**

**Leptonic decays**

**Hadronic decays**

- Cleaner signature
- perform better at low masses

- Large branching ratio
- perform better at high masses where SM background fall off

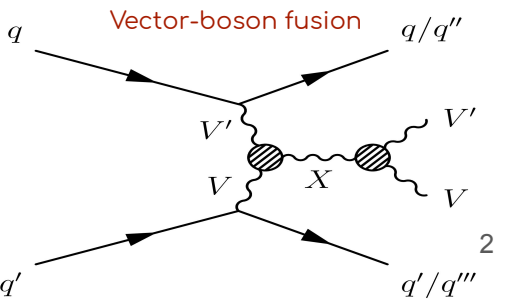
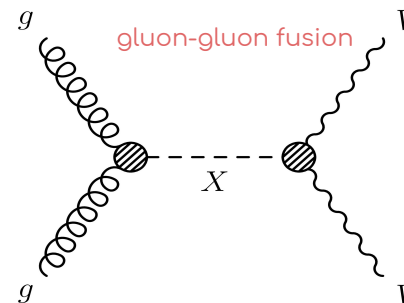
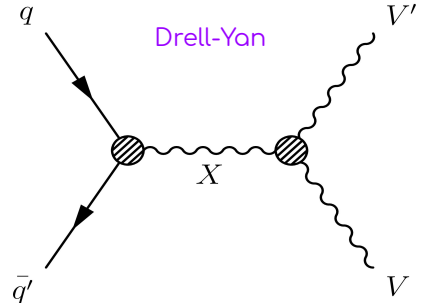
## Three Benchmark Models

- Spin 0 Randall-Sundrum Radion
- Spin 1 HVT ( $W', Z'$ )
- Spin 2 RS Graviton

Model		Spin	$m = 800 \text{ GeV}$			$m = 3 \text{ TeV}$			
			$\sigma$ [pb]	$\mathcal{B}$	$\Gamma/m$	$\sigma$ [fb]	$\mathcal{B}$	$\Gamma/m$	
RS radion ( $k\pi r_c = 35, \Lambda_R = 3 \text{ TeV}$ )	$R \rightarrow WW$	0	0.54 (ggF)	0.43	$2.6 \times 10^{-3}$	1.38 (ggF)	0.44	0.032	
	$R \rightarrow ZZ$		$1.1 \times 10^{-3}$ (VBF)	0.21		$5.5 \times 10^{-3}$ (VBF)	0.22		
HVT	Model A	1	$W' \rightarrow WZ$	53	0.024	0.026	79	0.020	0.025
			$Z' \rightarrow WW$	26	0.023		36	0.47	
	Model B		$W' \rightarrow WZ$	1.6	0.43	0.040	5.5	0.50	$3.3 \times 10^{-3}$
			$Z' \rightarrow WW$	0.86	0.41		2.5		
	Model C (VBF)		$W' \rightarrow WZ$	$4.0 \times 10^{-3}$	0.50	$3.5 \times 10^{-3}$	$1.6 \times 10^{-3}$	0.50	$3.3 \times 10^{-3}$
			$Z' \rightarrow WW$	$2.7 \times 10^{-3}$	0.49		$1.0 \times 10^{-3}$		
Bulk RS $G_{KK}$ ( $k/M_{Pl} = 1.0$ )	$G_{KK} \rightarrow WW$	2	1.9 (ggF)	0.28	0.037	0.47 (ggF)	0.20	0.062	
	$G_{KK} \rightarrow ZZ$		$0.050$ (VBF)	0.14		$1.6 \times 10^{-2}$ (VBF)	0.10		

Different production modes:

ggF/DY and VBF



# Analysis overview

- ❖ Physics signature: WW/WZ/ZZ resonance with semi-leptonic decay

One boson decays **leptonically** (Based on electron/muon and  $\vec{E}_T^{\text{miss}}$ )

0-lepton:  $Z \rightarrow \nu\nu$

1-lepton:  $W \rightarrow \ell\nu$

2-lepton:  $Z \rightarrow \ell\ell$

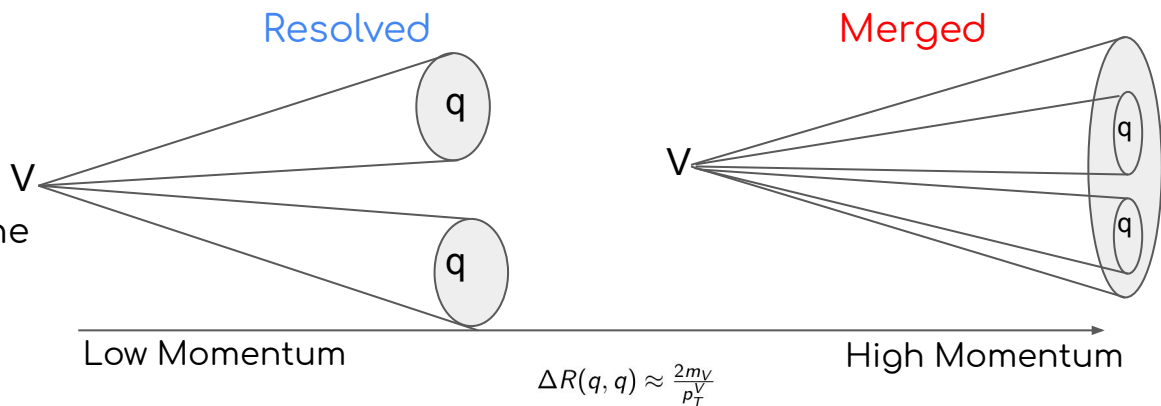
( $\ell = \mu$  or  $e$ )

the other boson decays **hadronically**

depending on  $p_T$  of V boson we have :

**-Resolved:** W/Z boson reconstructed with 2 Small-R jets (Calo jets)

**-Merged:** W/Z boson reconstructed by one Large-R jet (TCC jets)



**Search strategy:** look for excesses above the background in the reconstructed  $m(VV)$  or  $m_T$  distribution

**New ideas:** TCCs Large-R jets, ML-based ggF/VBF classification...

This talk covers results from Full Run 2 (139 /fb) data with three lepton channels

# Object definition

- Leptons, jets and  $\vec{E}_T^{\text{miss}}$  are the basic objects for this analysis

## leptons

	Loose	Tight
pT	> 7 GeV	> 30 GeV
$ \eta $	< 2.47 (2.5) for e( $\mu$ )	
ID	Loose	Tight
isolation	FCLoose at pT < 100 GeV	FixedCutHighPt CaloOnly
$ d0(\sigma) $	< 5 (3) for e( $\mu$ )	
Z0sin( $\theta$ )	< 0.5 mm	

$\vec{E}_T^{\text{miss}}$  is the negative vectorial sum of the transverse momenta of calibrated electrons, muons, small-R jets, and unassociated tracks

## Small-R jets

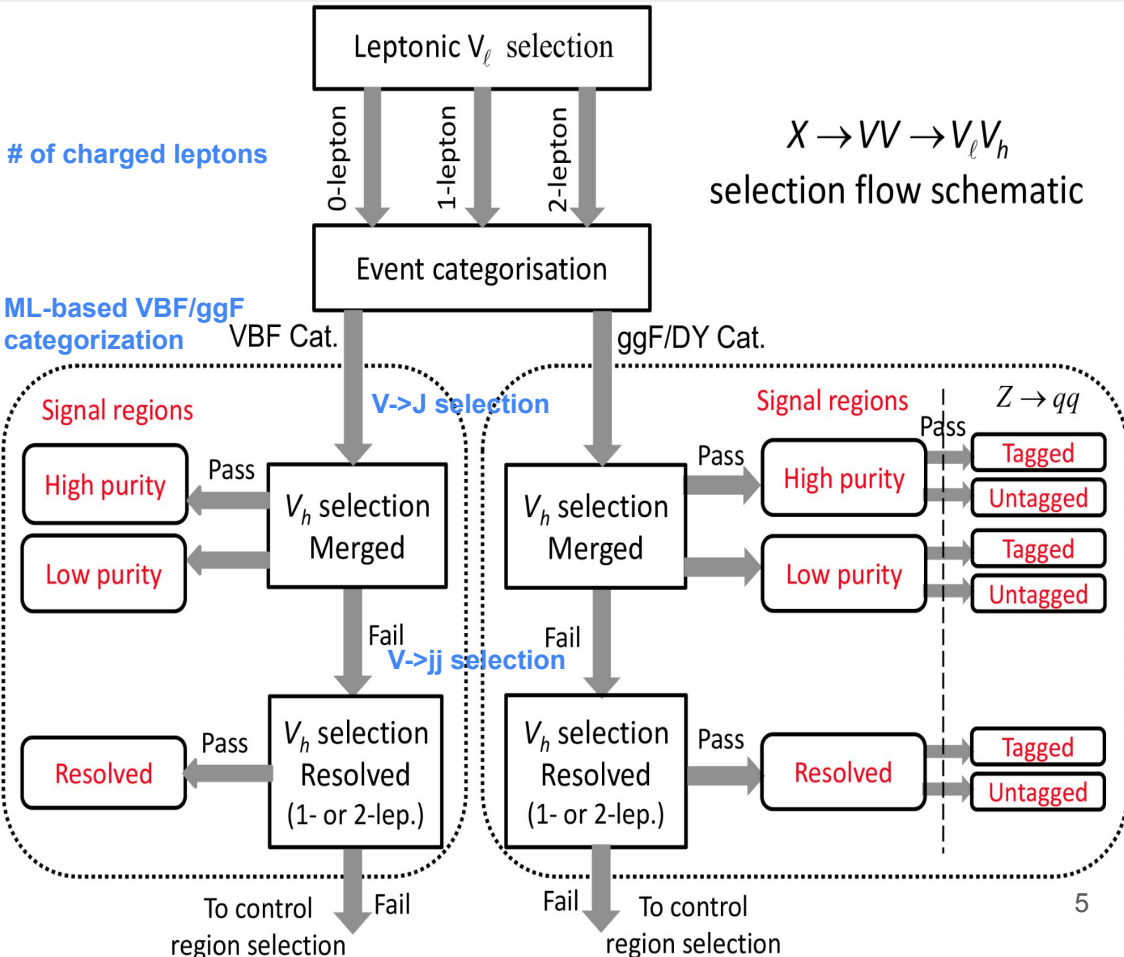
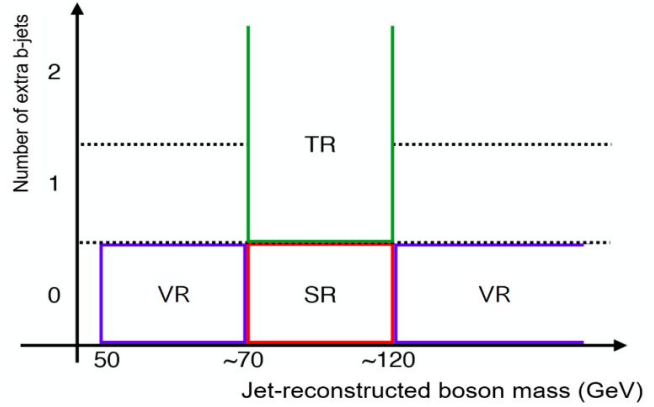
	Signal	VBF
Collection	AntiKt EMTopo R=0.4	
$ \eta $	< 2.5	< 4.5
pT	> 30 GeV	
JVT	0.59 for pT < 120 GeV, $ \eta $ < 2.5	

## Large-R jet

Collection	AntiKt TCC R=1.0
$ \eta $	< 2.0
pT	> 200 GeV
mass	> 50 GeV

# Event selection and Categorization

- **SR: W/Z mass window cut** (No extra b-jets)
  - Merged:  $p_T$  dependent cut
  - Resolved: Fixed cut
- **CR: W+jets, Z+jets,  $t\bar{t}$** 
  - WCR/ZCR (W/Z mass sideband)
  - TCR (Extra b-jets required)



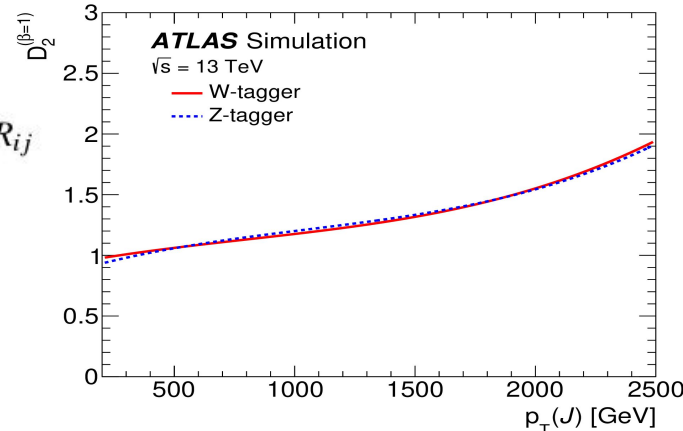
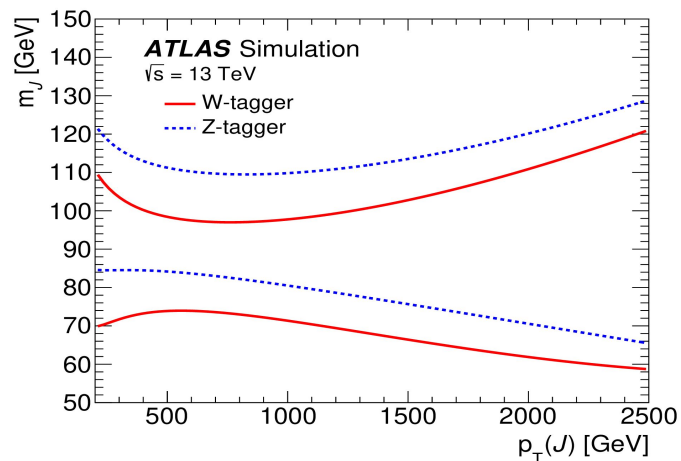
# W/Z tagging in TCC jet

- Highly boosted hadronic W/Z decays have small angular separation between the outgoing subjets
- Track information can improve both mass and substructure resolutions
- TrackCaloClusters used instead of LCTopo for Large-R jet reconstruction
  - Support of ID tracks gives better D2 resolution
- D2 is reconstructed by the energy correlation functions based on energies and pair-wise angles of the sub-constituents

$$D_2^{(\beta=1)} = E_{CF3} \left( \frac{E_{CF1}}{E_{CF2}} \right)^3 \quad \text{Where} \quad E_{CF1} = \sum_i p_{T,i} \quad E_{CF2} = \sum_{ij} p_{T,i} p_{T,j} \Delta R_{ij}$$

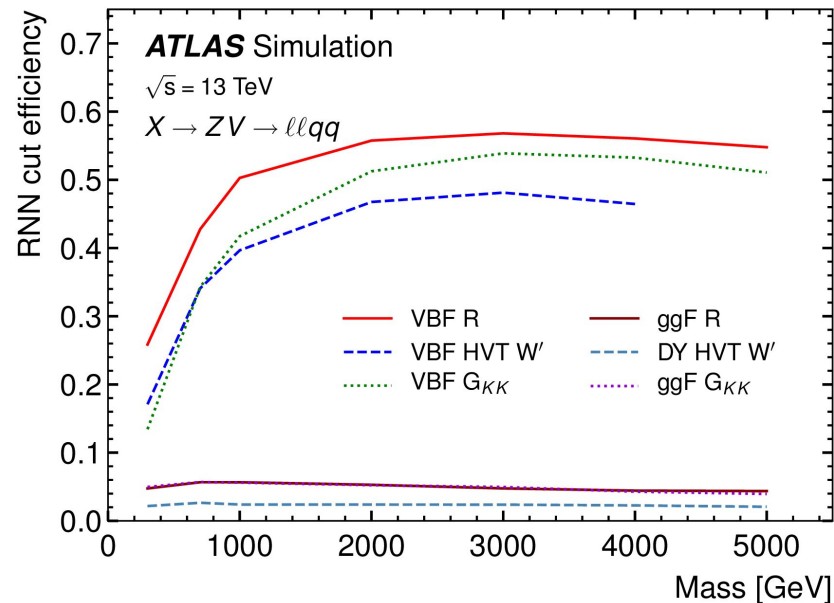
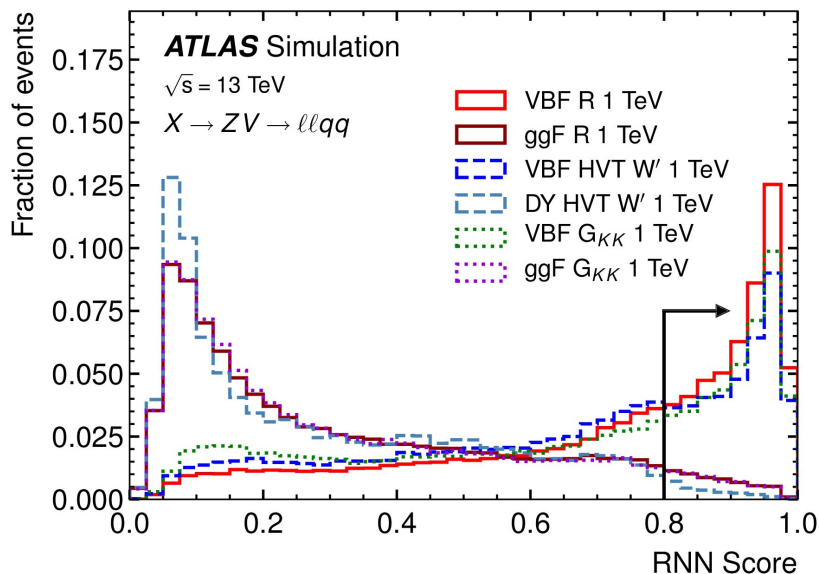
$$E_{CF3} = \sum_{ijk} p_{T,i} p_{T,j} p_{T,k} \Delta R_{ij} \Delta R_{jk} \Delta R_{ki}$$

30% of improvement in signal sensitivity for  $m(VV) > 3 \text{ TeV}$



# VBF/ggF Categorization using RNN

- RNN is an architecture able to solve problem in which the inputs are a recurrent sequence of information
- Use a RNN with jet 4-momenta ( $p_T$ ,  $E$ ,  $\eta$ ,  $\phi$ ) as inputs
- ggF(DY) vs VBF signal training
- Exclude jets from hadronic boson candidate decay
- With up-to 2 jets used for training



- Events with score  $> 0.8$  are categorized into VBF category
- ~50% sensitivity improvement for VBF signal

# Background modeling

- Background processes
  - W/Z +jets: W/Z production in association with jets
  - Top quark: both top-quark pair (ttbar) and single-top quark
  - Diboson: Non resonant diboson production (WW/WZ/ZZ)
  - Multijet: Non resonant QCD multijet production
- W/Z+jets and ttbar use data from CRs to constraint normalization

Bkg process	Modeling	CR
W/Z+jets	Sherpa	✓
ttbar	Powheg+Pythia8	✓
Single top	Powheg+Pythia8	
Diboson	Sherpa	
Multijet	Data-driven	

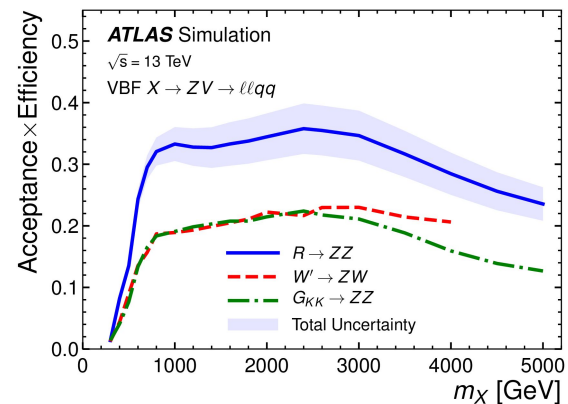
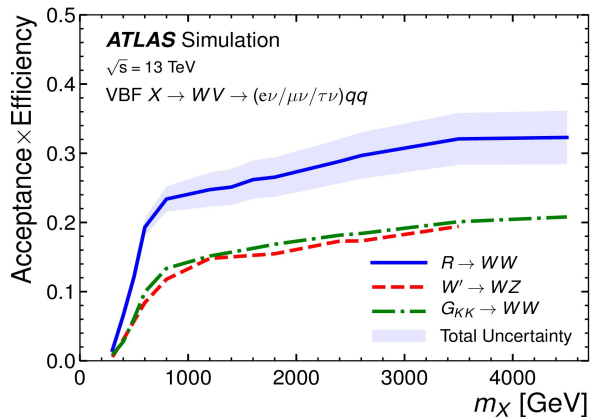
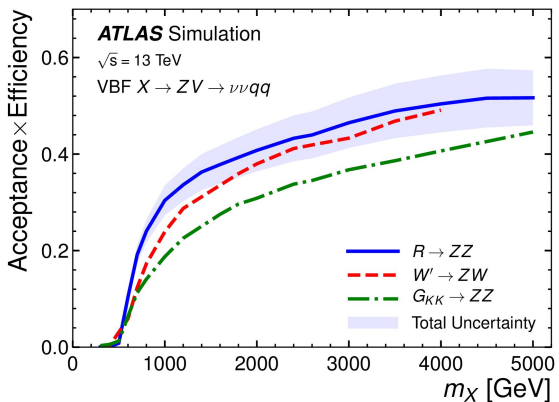
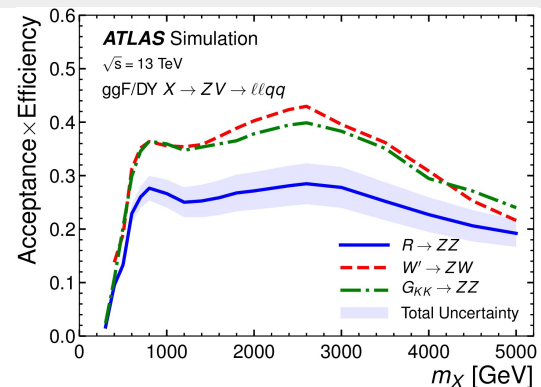
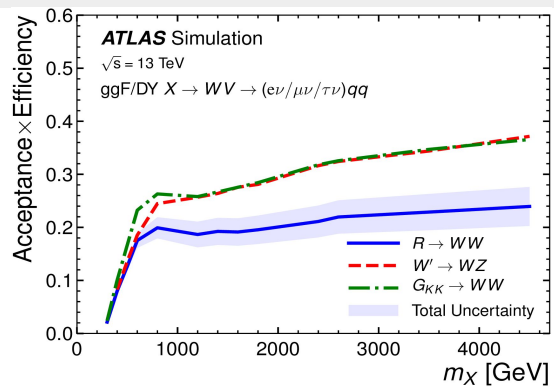
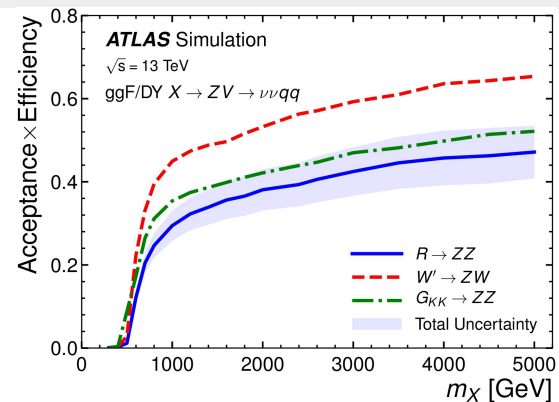
In 1 lepton channel, MJ contribution is estimated using a data-driven method which derives the shape of MET distributions of MJ contribution from MJ-enriched region

The normalization is derived from fit on MET in the target SR/CRs

MJ contribution is estimated to be 5%



# Signal Acceptance $\times$ Efficiency

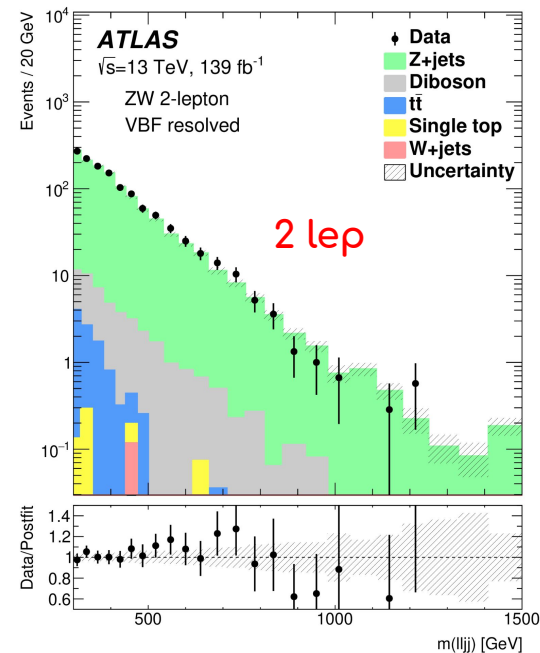
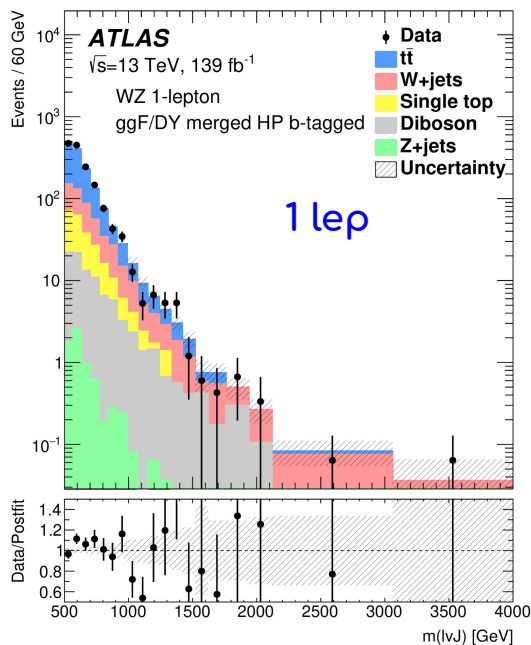
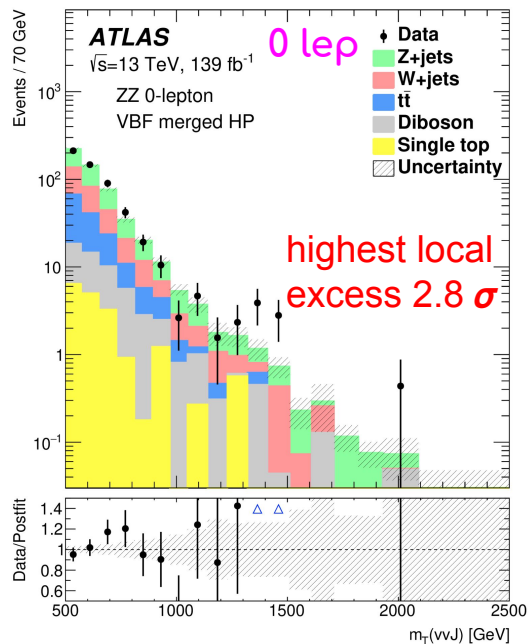


- W/Z boson from  $V'$  and  $G_{kk}$  decays tend to be produced in the barrel (endcap) region for  $ggF/DY(VBF)$

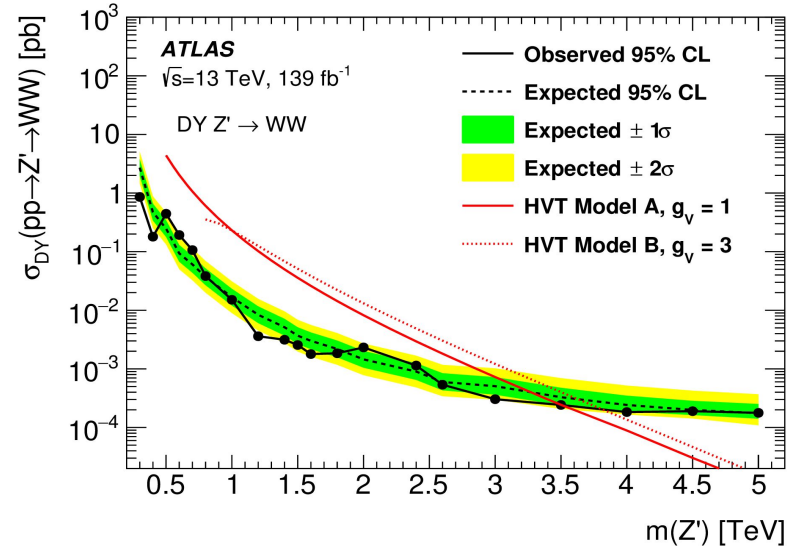
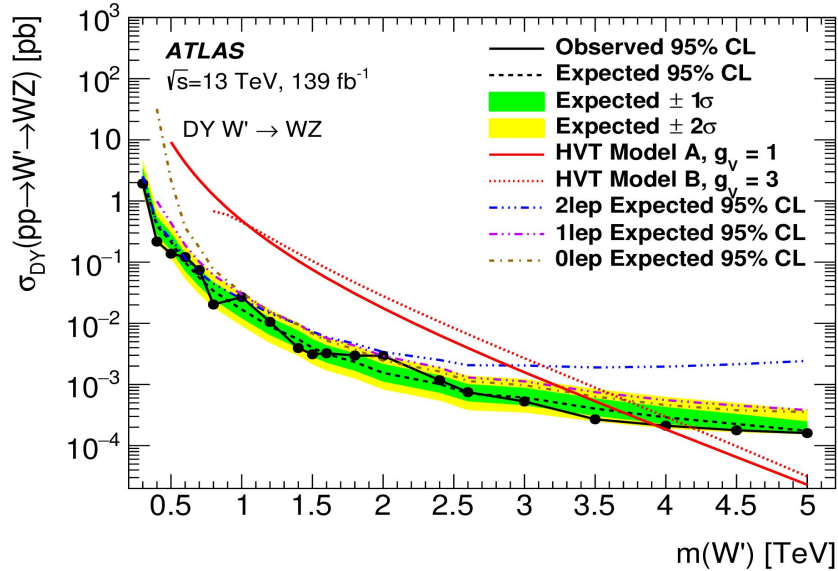
# m(VV) spectra

- V+jets is dominant background in most regions
- Transverse mass is used instead of invariant mass in 0-lepton channel

$$m_T = \sqrt{(p_T^J + E_T^{\text{miss}})^2 - (\vec{p}_T^J + \vec{E}_T^{\text{miss}})^2}$$



# Results



- No significant excess observed
- Limits have been set on benchmark models for each production mode

# Summary

- Search for diboson resonance has been performed using full Run 2 data (139/fb)
- Several new ideas have been employed (TCC, ML-based ggF/VBF categorization)
- No significant excess observed
- Limits set on several benchmark models

Current results [Eur. Phys. J. C \(2020\) 80:1165](#)

Production process	RS radion	HVT			RS graviton
			$W'$	$Z'$	
ggF/DY	3.2 (2.9)	Model A	3.9 (3.8)	3.5 (3.4)	2.0 (2.2)
		Model B	4.3 (4.0)	3.9 (3.7)	
VBF	–	Model C	–	–	0.76 (0.77)

Observed (expected) 95% CL lower limits on the mass in TeV

Previous 36/fb results [JHEP 03 \(2018\) 042](#)

WW Selection			
Excluded	HVT		RS $G_{KK}$
Masses	Model A	Model B	$k/\bar{M}_{Pl} = 1.0$
Observed	<2750 GeV	<3000 GeV	<1750 GeV
Expected	<2850 GeV	<3150 GeV	<1750 GeV

WZ Selection			
Excluded	HVT		
Masses	Model A	Model B	
Observed	<2800 GeV	<3000 GeV	
Expected	<2900 GeV	<3200 GeV	

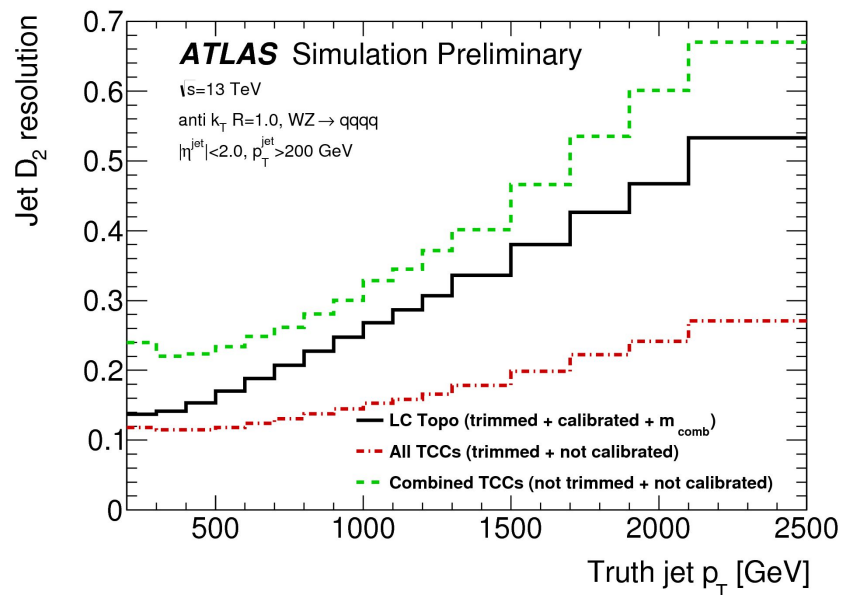
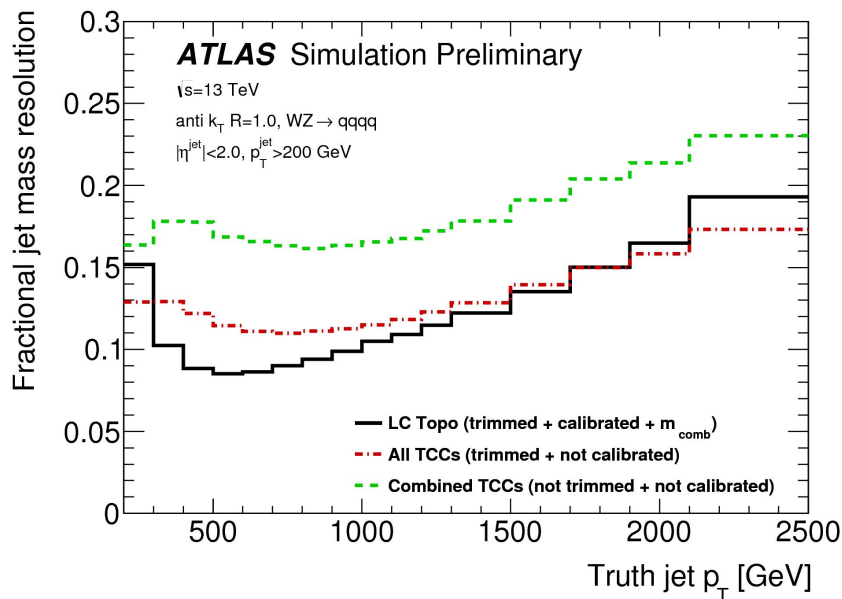
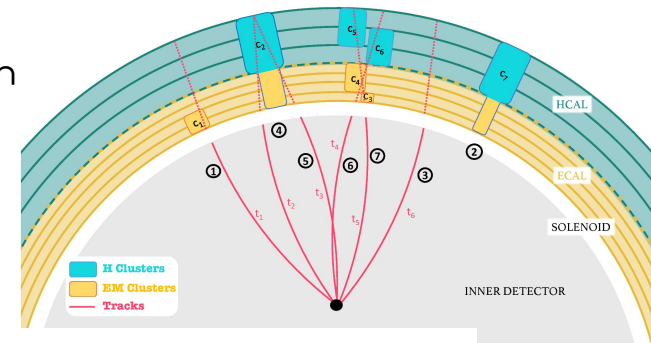
Using new techniques and more data improved the cross-section upper limits of a factor of three or more w.r.t. 36/fb results

**Thank you for your  
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# Backup

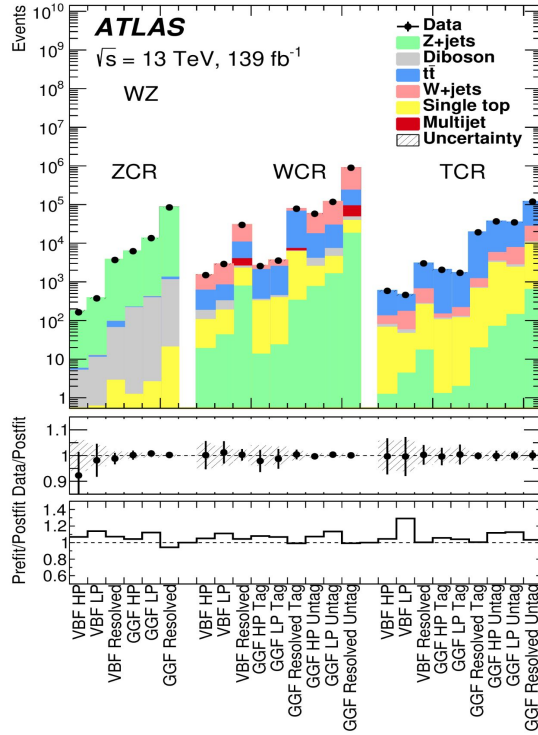
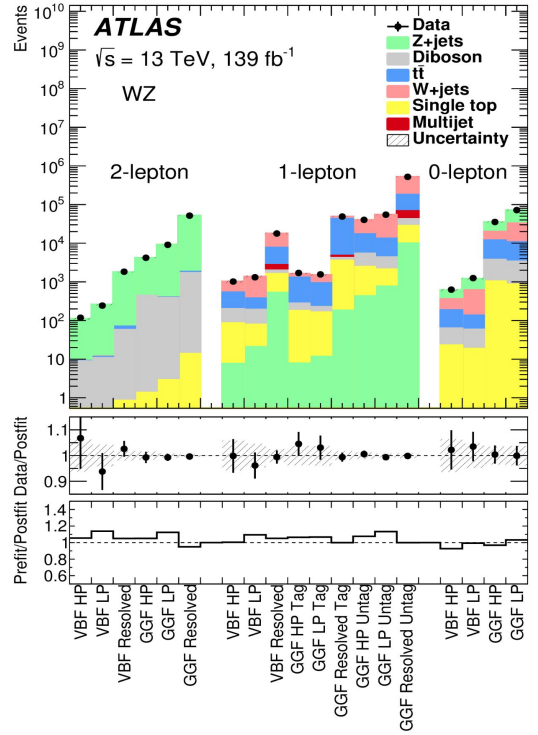
# TrackCaloCluster (TCC)

- Take advantage of the tracking detector in jet reconstruction
- Combine track and calorimeter information on jet reconstruction
- Improvement on mass resolution at high  $p_T$
- Significant improvement jet substructure resolution (D2)
  - Good separation between two body decays and QCD jets



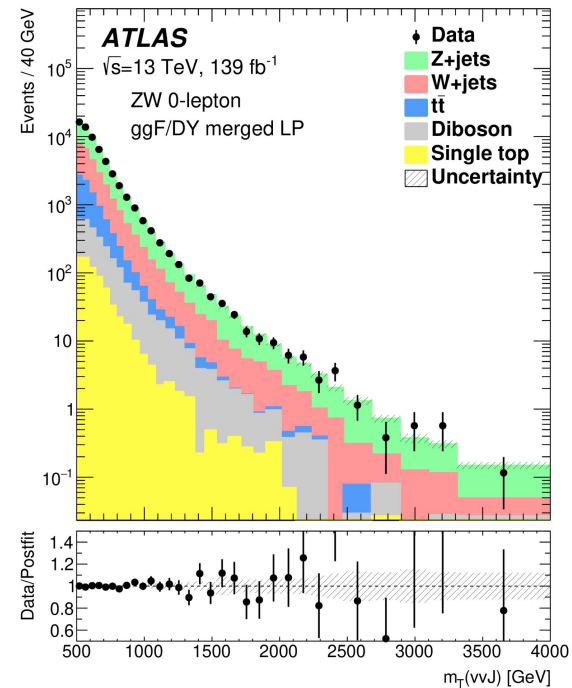
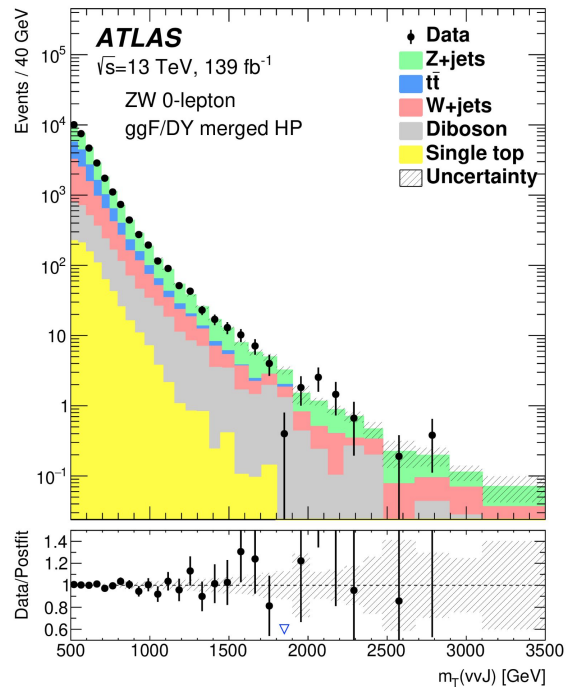
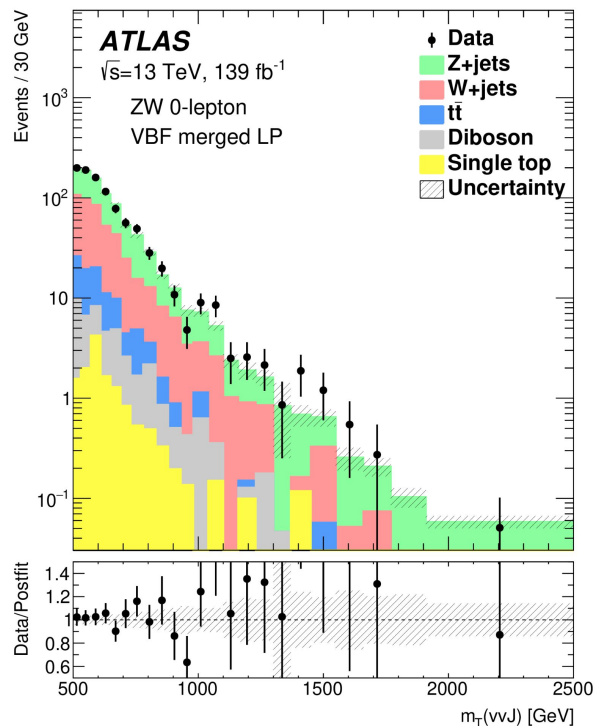
# Postfit SR/CR yields

- Fit on invariant (transverse) mass on 1,2 (0) lepton channel
- 21 SR and 21 one-bin CRs

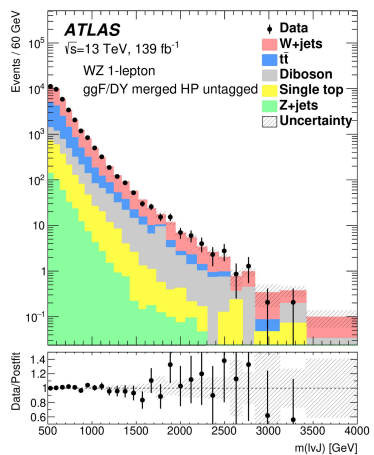
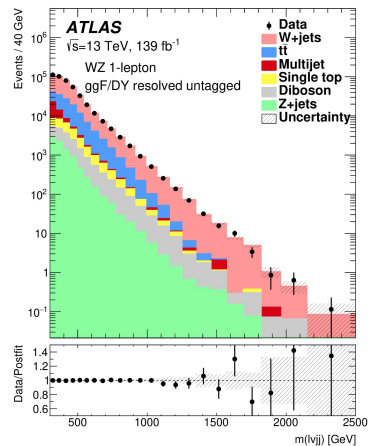
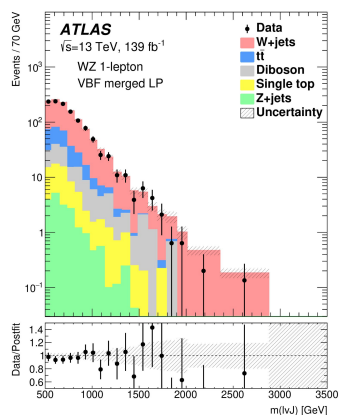
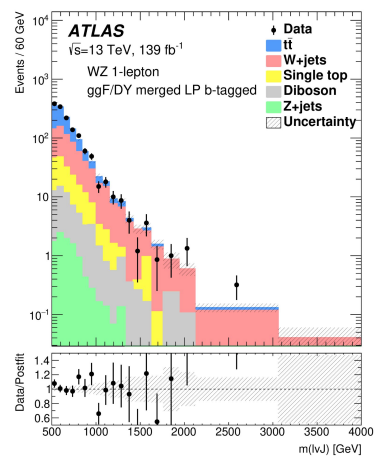
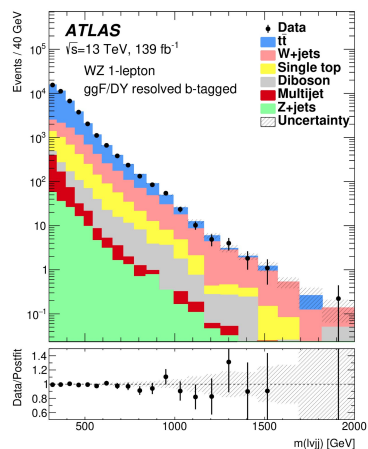
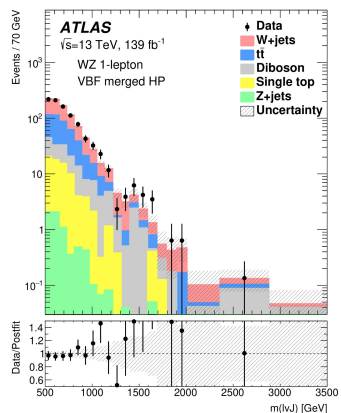




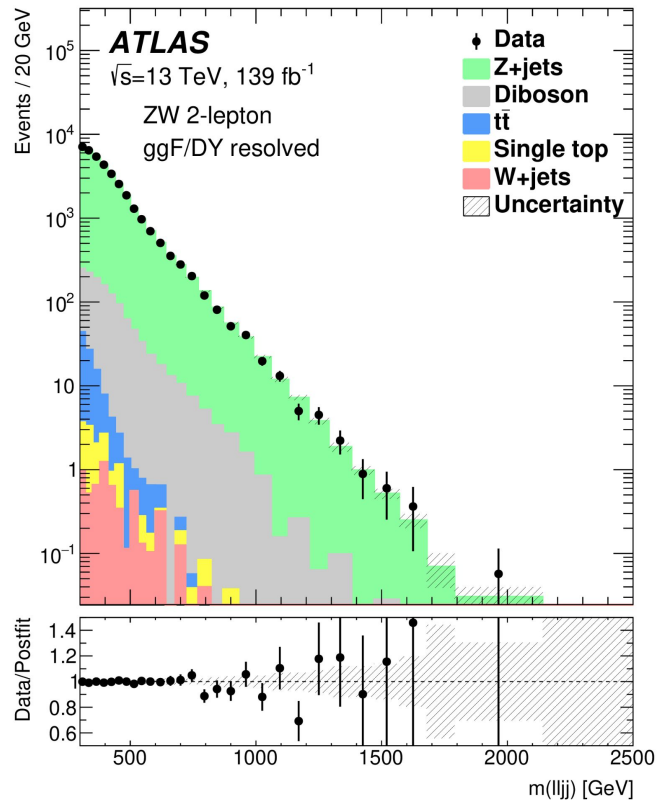
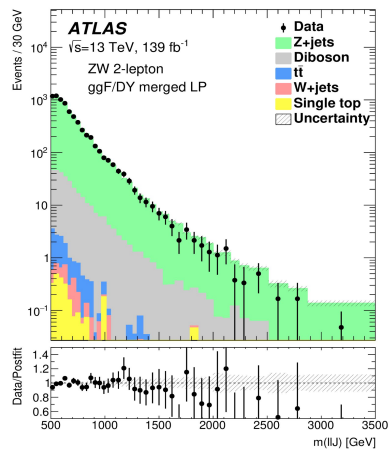
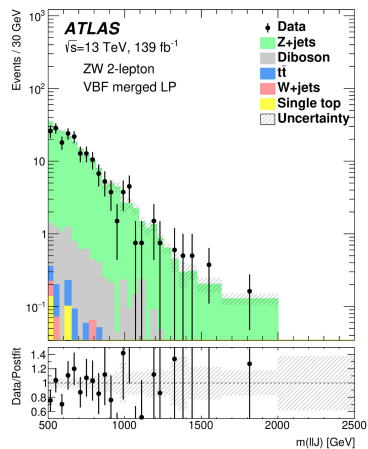
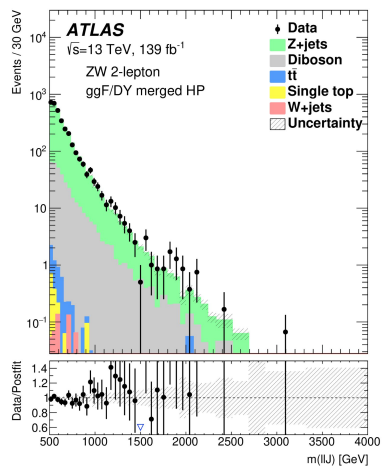
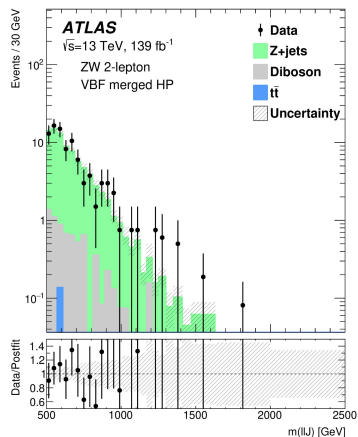
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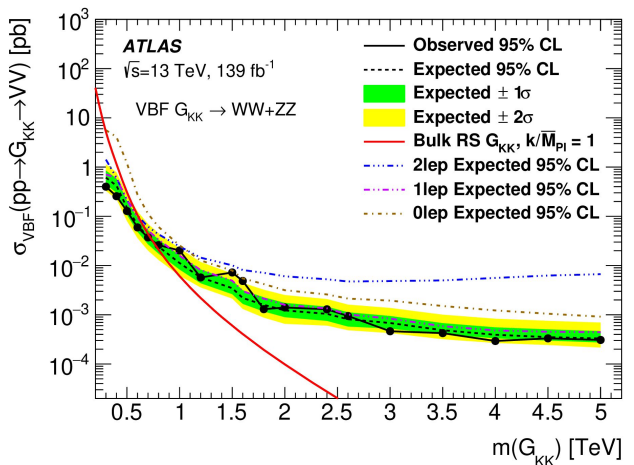
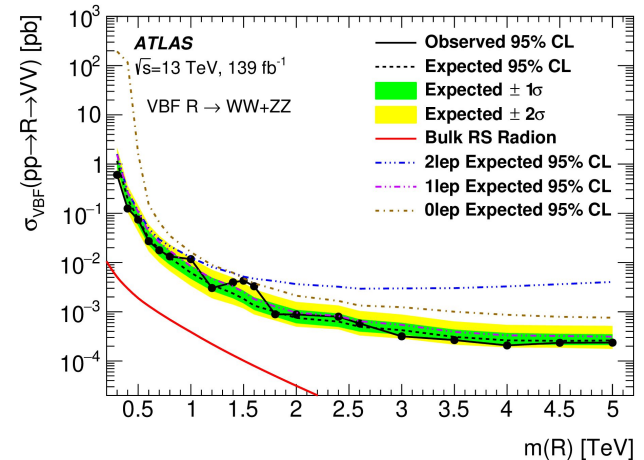
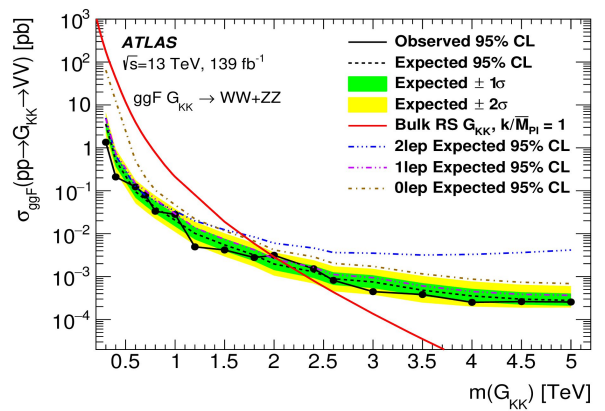
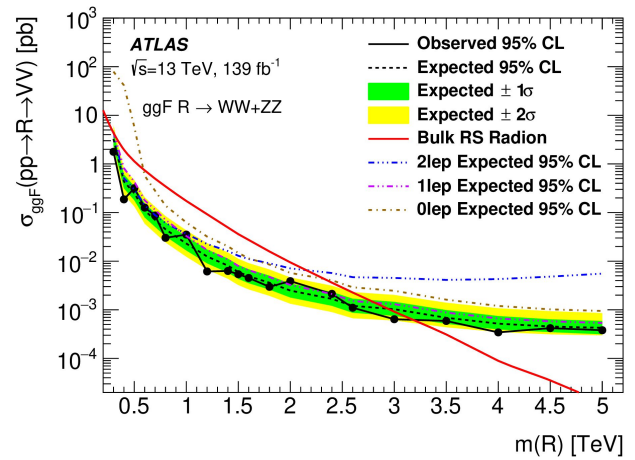
# $m(VV)$ spectra (1-lepton channel)



# $m(\ell\ell)$ spectra (2-lepton channel)



# Observed limits



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