

Latest EWK precision measurements from the ATLAS experiment

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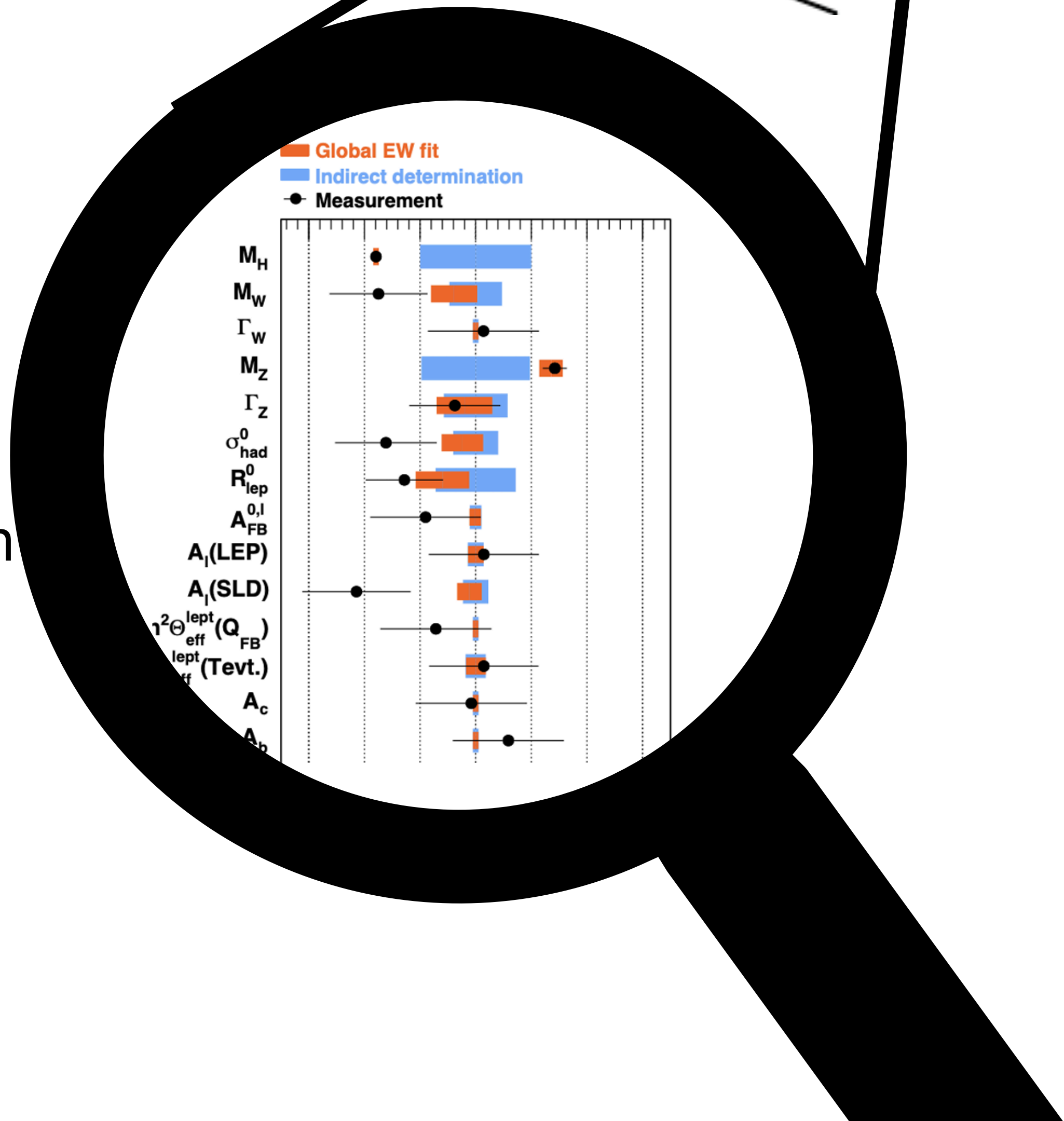
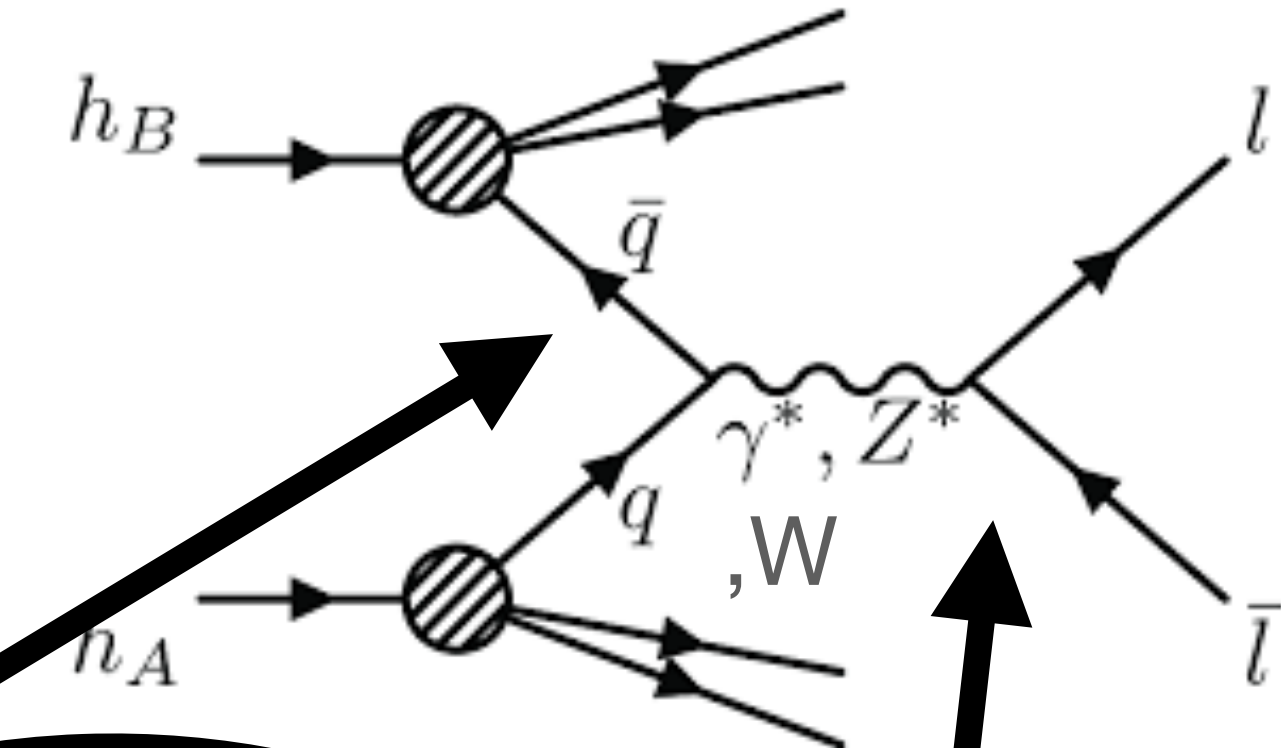
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Introduction

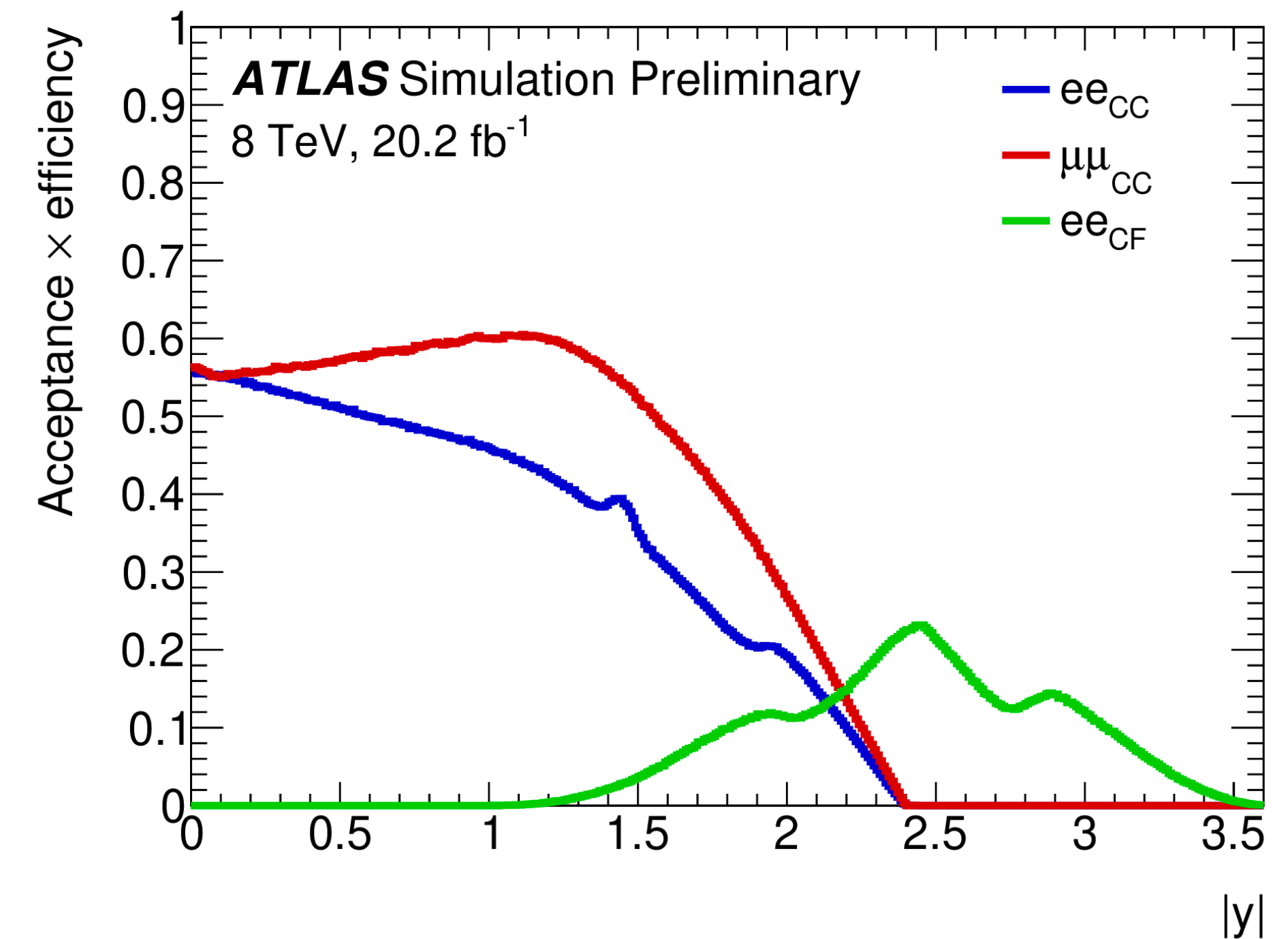
- Drell-Yan mechanism led to the discovery of W and Z bosons in 1983, confirming electroweak unification
- Standard candle for precision measurements and theory at LHC
- Probe fundamental physics parameters that can only be determined experimentally with a focus on
 - Z p_T and rapidity at 8 TeV
 - α_s extraction at Z pole from Z p_T precision measurement at 8 TeV
 - W boson mass re-analysis at 7 TeV



Z p_T and rapidity at 8 TeV

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- Stringent test of the state-of-art perturbative QCD theories
- Probe large rapidity/small parton momentum fraction x using forward electrons
- Unique full lepton phase space rapidity cross section with per mille total uncertainties to provide a gateway to a rich field of precise interpretations



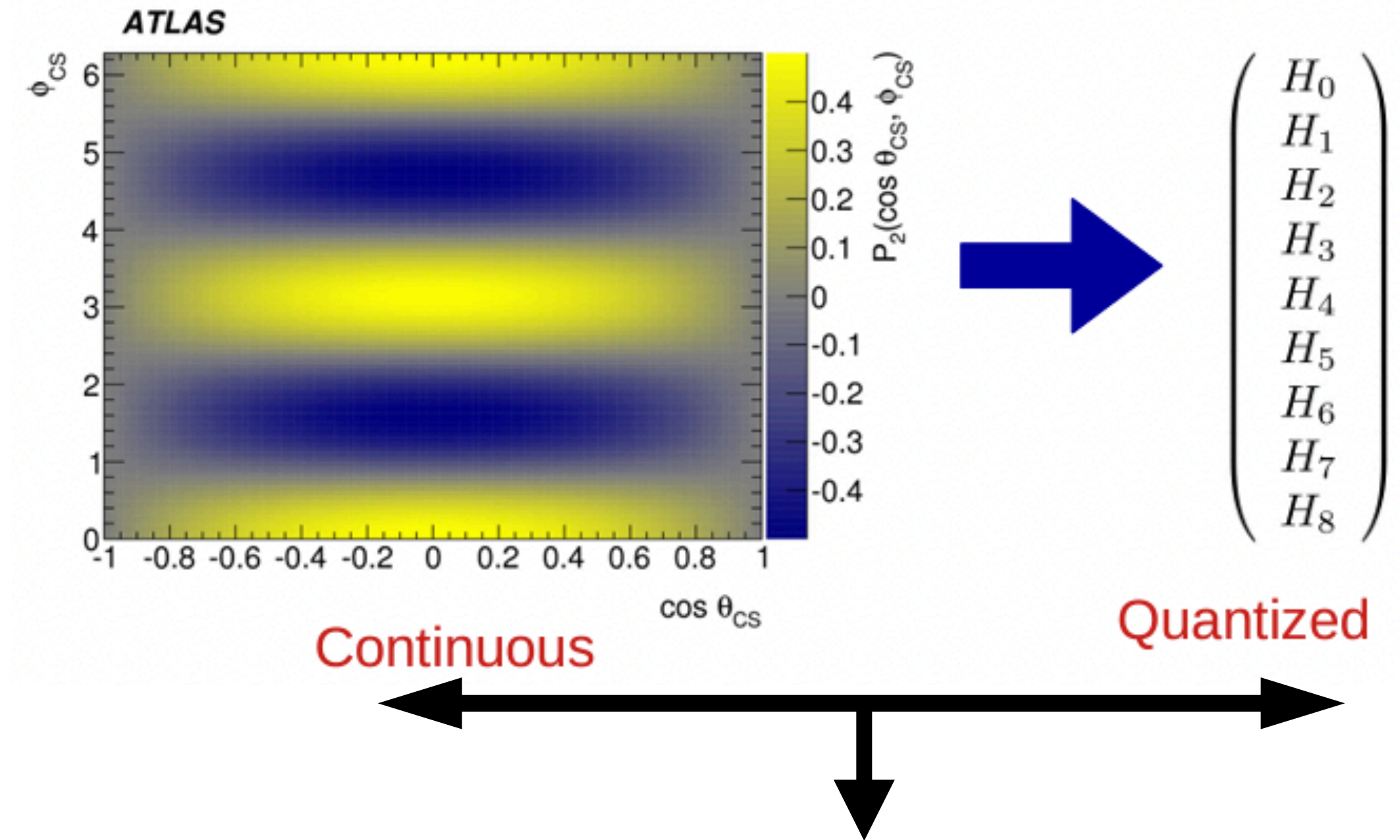
- ee_{CC}: two electrons with $p_T > 20$ GeV and $|\eta| < 2.4$
- μμ_{CC}: two muons with $p_T > 20$ GeV and $|\eta| < 2.4$
- ee_{CF}: central electron with $p_T > 20$ GeV and $|\eta| < 2.4$ forward electron with $p_T > 20$ GeV and $2.5 < |\eta| < 4.9$

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$$\frac{d\sigma}{dpdq} = \frac{d^3\sigma^{U+L}}{dp_T dy dm} \left(1 + \cos^2\theta + \sum_{i=0}^7 A_i(y, p_T, m) P_i(\cos\theta, \phi) \right)$$

- $d\sigma/dp_T$: Transverse dynamics
- $d\sigma/dy$: longitudinal dynamics (PDFs)
- Decomposition of $(\cos\theta, \phi)$ into 9 helicity cross sections \longrightarrow basis of spherical harmonics



- **Measuring the angular coefficients corresponds to building a synthetic quantised representation of the $(\cos\theta, \phi)$ kinematic space**
- **Trade systematics for statistics**
- **Fiducial cuts removed by analytic integration of $(\cos\theta, \phi)$ in the full phase space of decay leptons via measured A_i coefficients**

Expected Yield

$$N_{\text{exp}}^n(A, \sigma, \theta) = \left\{ \sum_{j=1}^{N_{\text{bins}}^{\text{ana}}} \mathcal{L} \sigma_j \left[t_{8j}^n(\beta) + \sum_{i=0}^7 A_{ij} t_{ij}^n(\beta) \right] \right\} \gamma^n + \sum_B T_B^n(\beta)$$

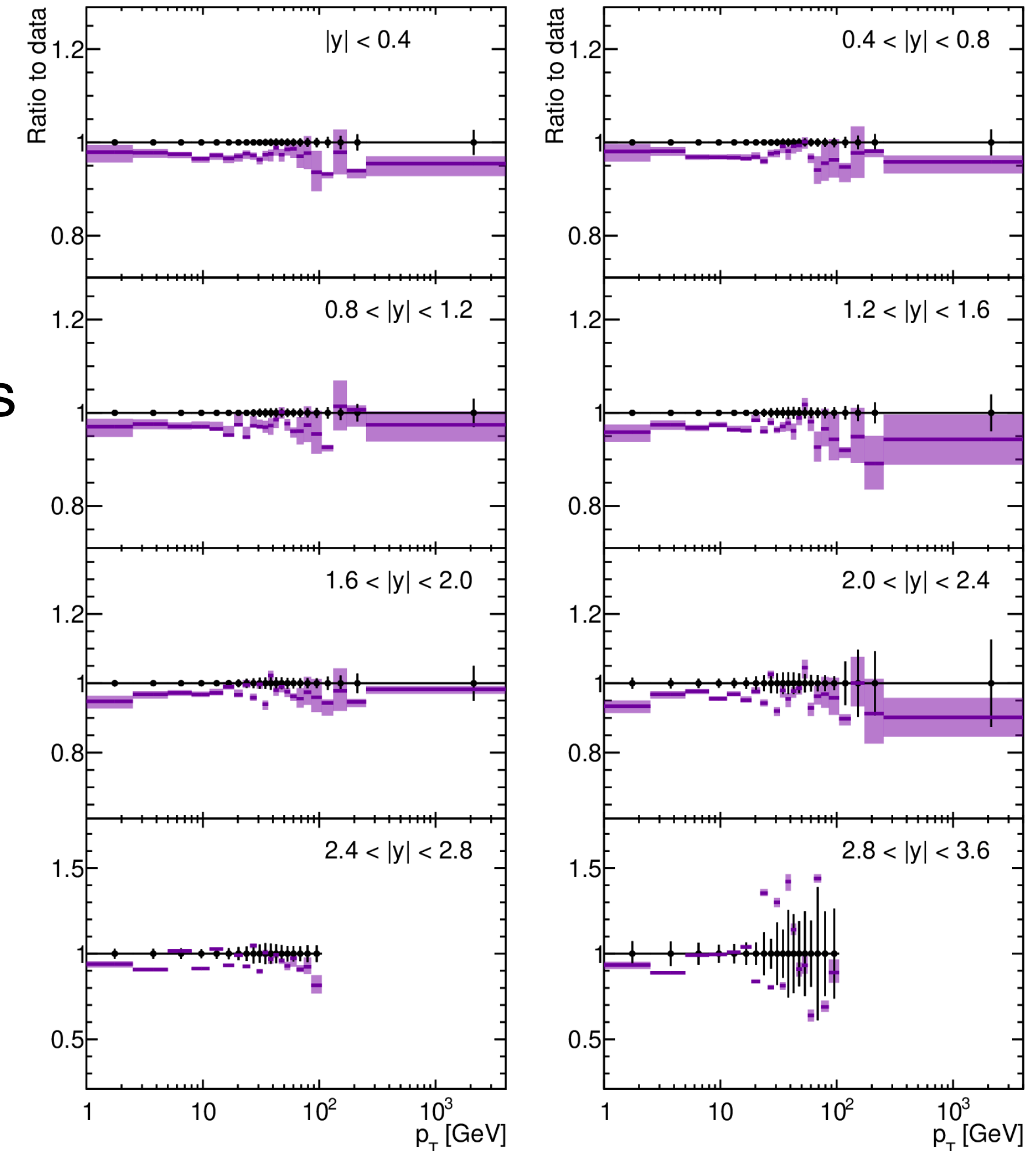
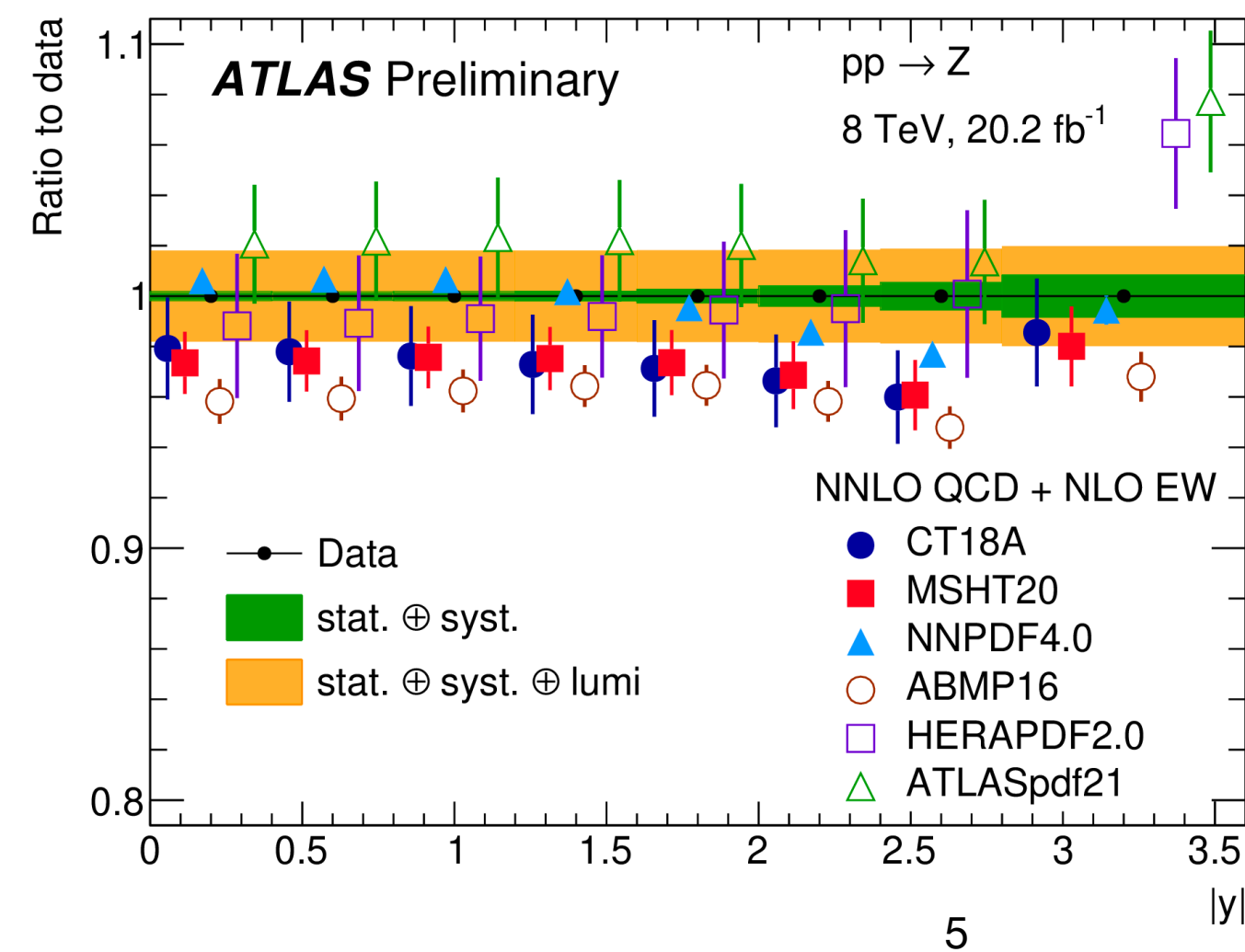
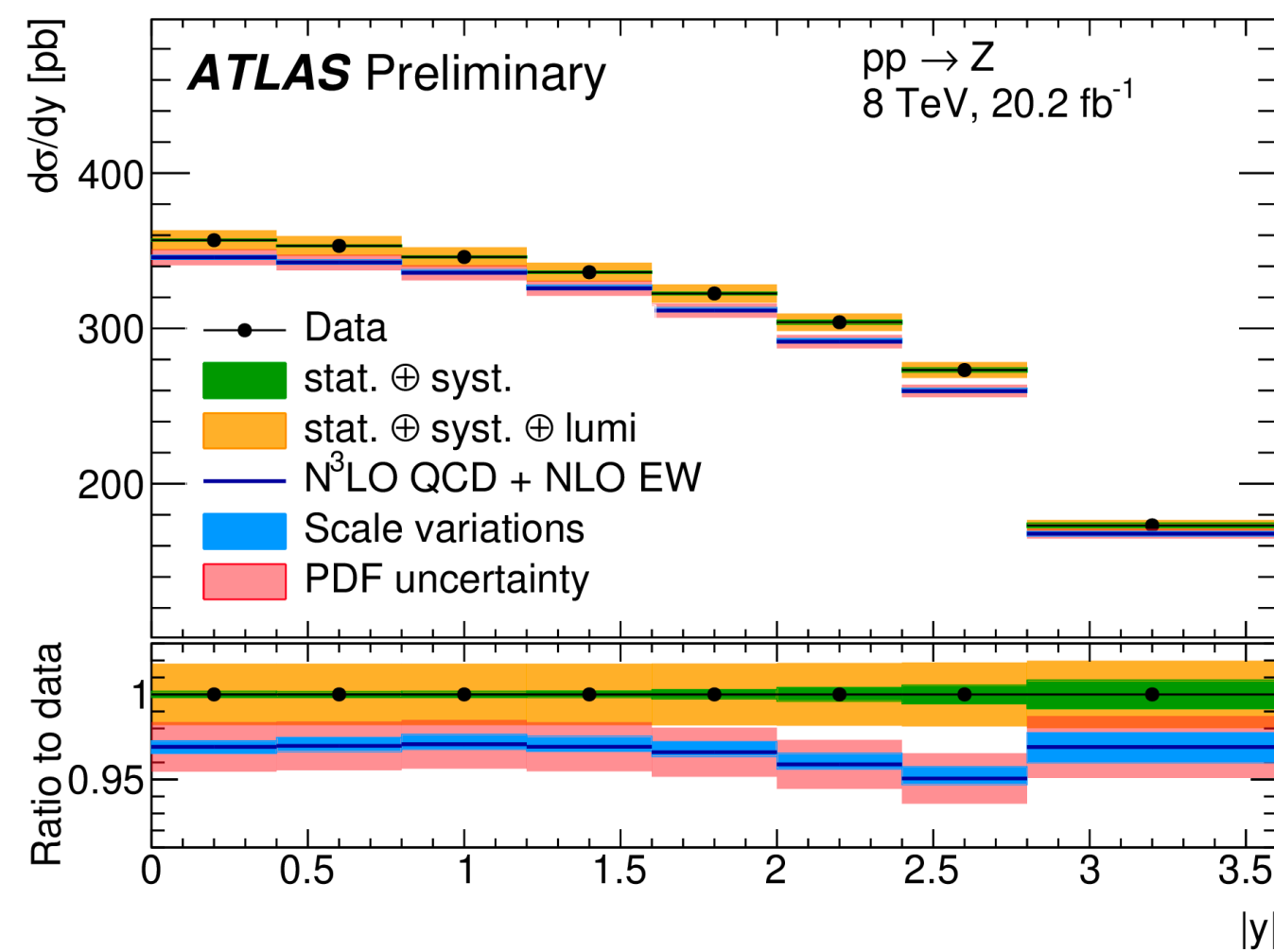
Labels in the diagram:
 - $N_{\text{bins}}^{\text{ana}}$: Reco $(p_T^z, y^z, m^z, \cos\theta, \phi)$ bin
 - $\mathcal{L} \sigma_j$: Cross section
 - $t_{8j}^n(\beta)$: Truth (p_T^z, y^z, m^z) bin
 - A_{ij} : Angular coefficient
 - $t_{ij}^n(\beta)$: Templated polynomial
 - $T_B^n(\beta)$: Background template

- Likelihood defined in 22528 $(\cos\theta, \phi, p_T)$ bins
- Parameters of interests are $8 A_i + 1$ cross section in (p_T, y) bins in total 176 bins

$Z p_T$ and rapidity at 8 TeV

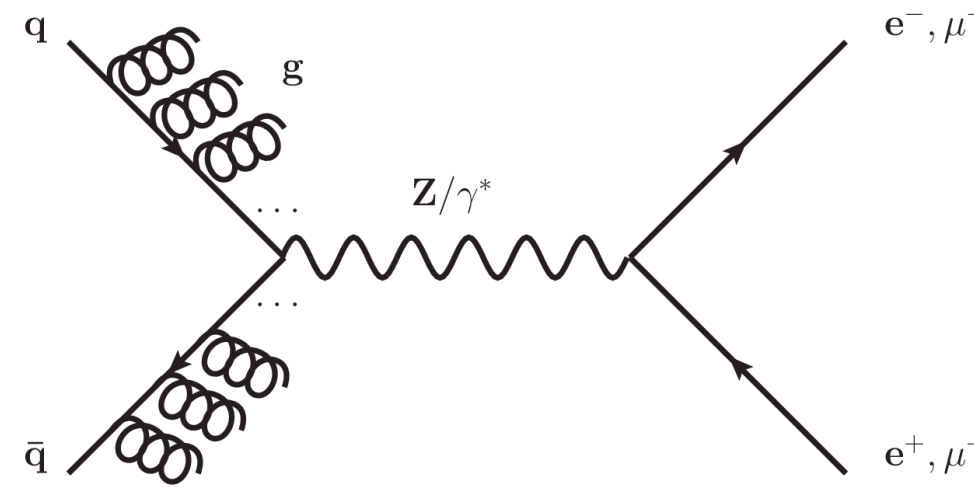
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- Per mille level precision in the central region
- Sub-percent precision up to $|y| < 3.6$
- First comparison to N^3 LO QCD (+ NLO EW) predictions
- Allow precise PDF interpretations with QCD scale uncertainties smaller than PDF uncertainties

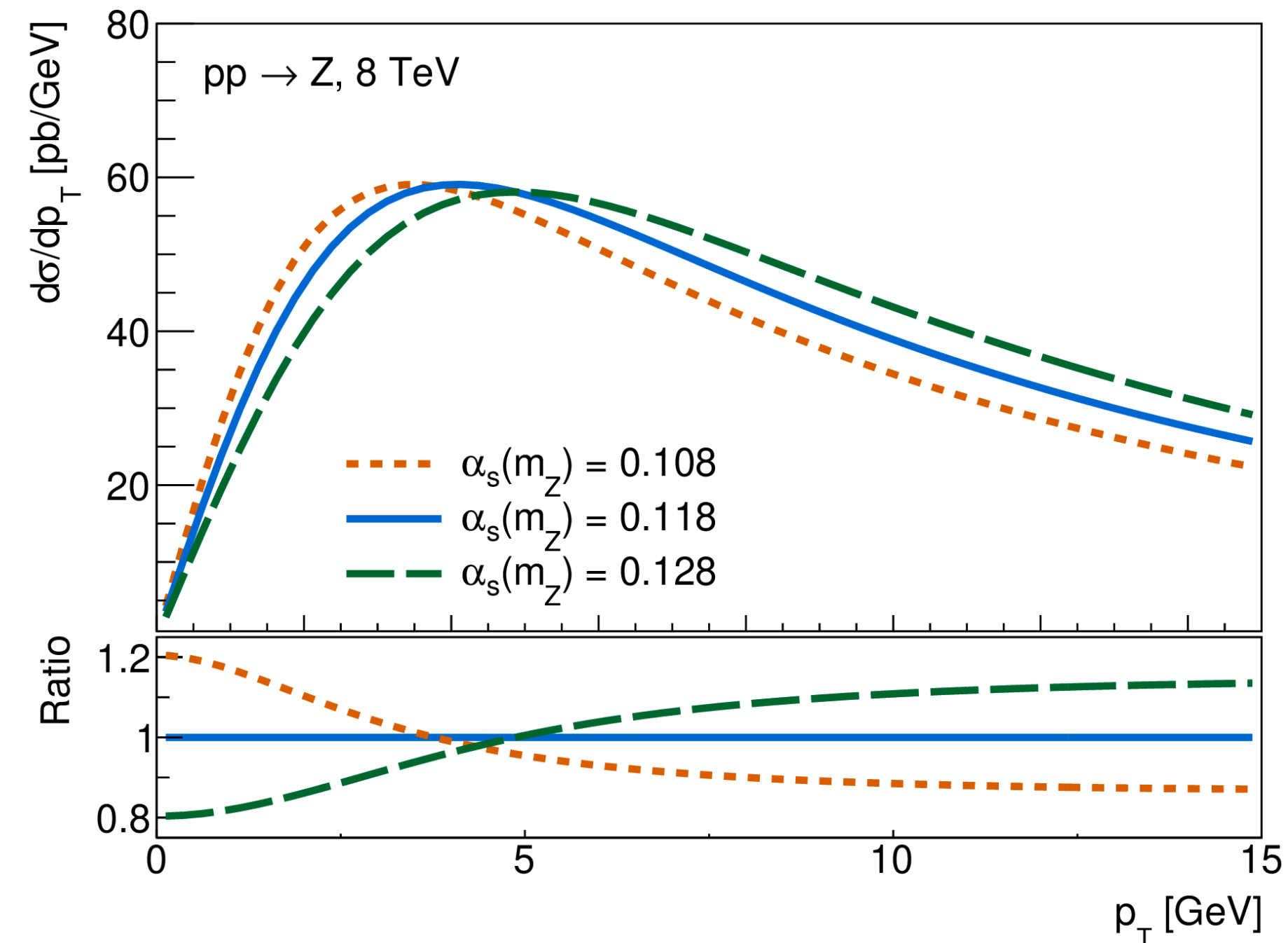
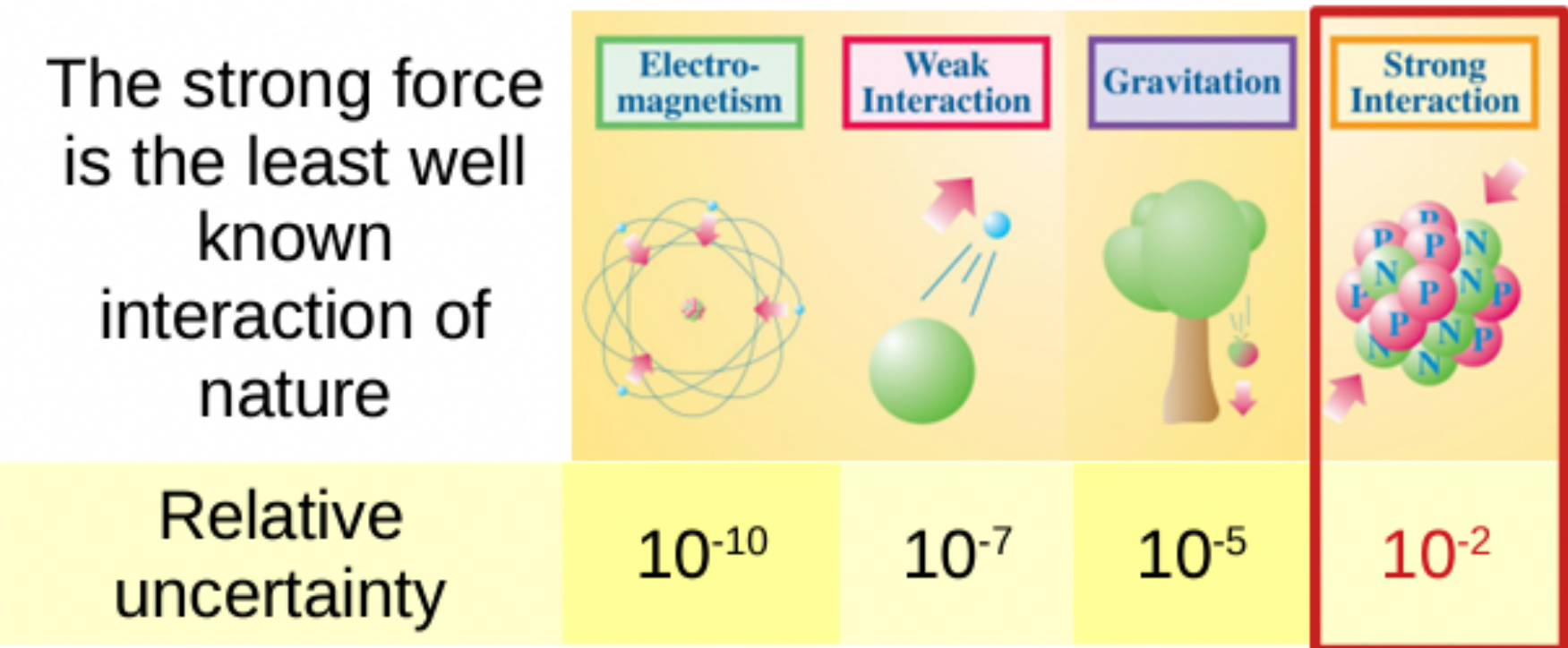


α_S extraction from $Z p_T$ precision measurement

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- Strong coupling strength α_S is the least well known in nature
- Dominant uncertainties to precision measurements of Higgs coupling at LHC or EW precision observables at e^+e^- colliders
- Non-zero value of $Z p_T$ arises from initial state radiations from incoming partons due to momentum conservation
- The peak position of $Z p_T$ and above is sensitive to $\alpha_S(m_Z)$

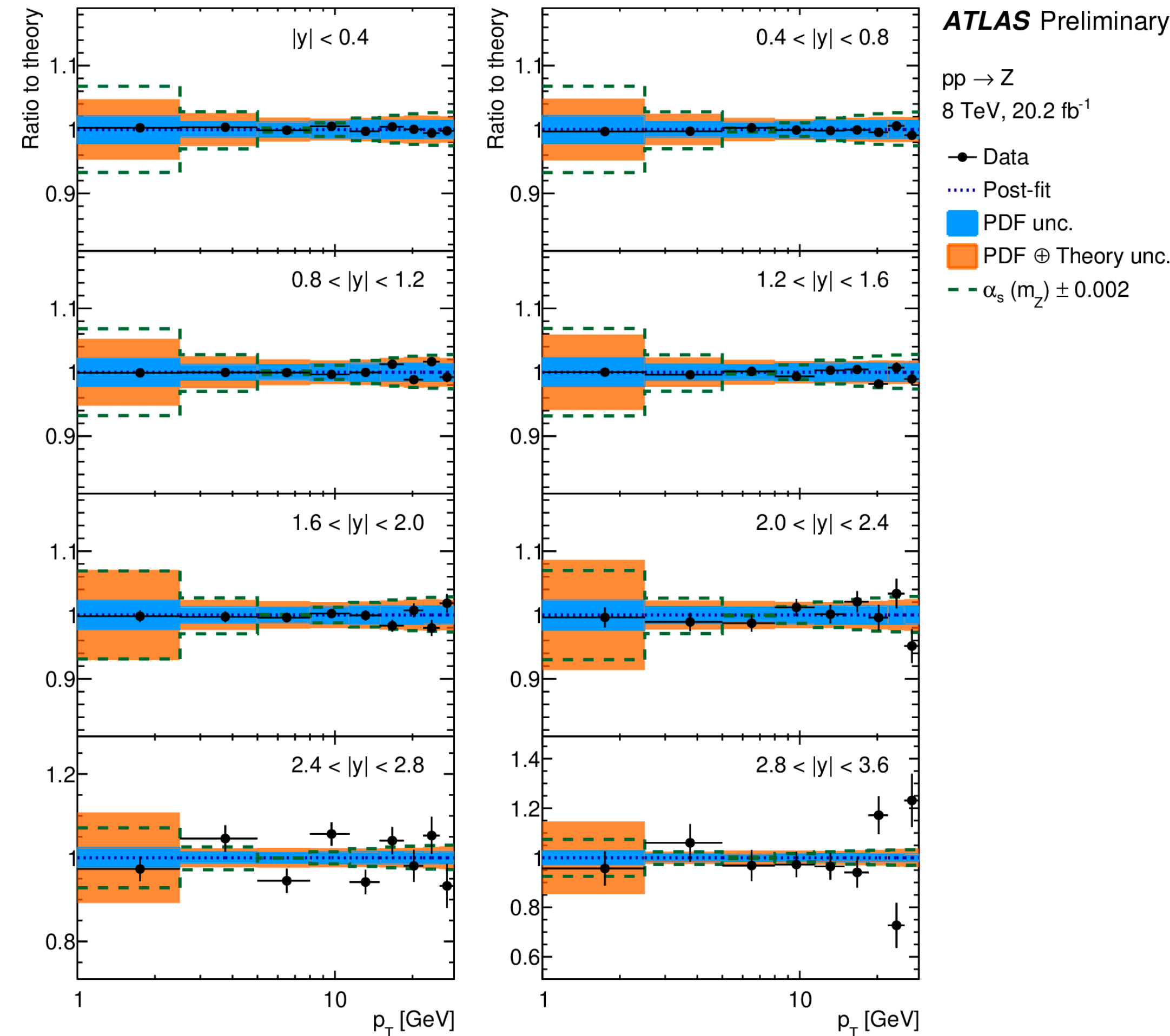


α_S extraction methodology

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- Evaluate $\chi^2(\alpha_S)$ with α_S variations provided in LHAPDF
 - Include experimental ($\beta_{j,exp}$) and PDF ($\beta_{k,th}$) uncertainties in the $\chi^2(\alpha_S)$
 - For each value of $\alpha_S(m_Z)$, $\beta_{k,th}$ terms explore the PDF space to find the best fit to $Z p_T$ data
 - MSHT20 PDF set is used for the α_S extraction
- Fit $Z p_T < 29$ GeV region
 - Non-perturbative form factor (affecting $Z p_T < 5$ GeV) is added with unconstrained nuisance parameter
- $\alpha_S(m_Z)$ is extracted by fitting the double differential $p_T - y$ Z cross section in full lepton phase space
 - $\chi^2/ndf = 82/72$

$$\chi^2(\beta_{exp}, \beta_{th}) = \sum_{i=1}^{N_{data}} \frac{\left(\sigma_i^{exp} + \sum_j \Gamma_{ij}^{exp} \beta_{j,exp} - \sigma_i^{th} - \sum_k \Gamma_{ik}^{th} \beta_{k,th} \right)^2}{\Delta_i^2} + \sum_j \beta_{j,exp}^2 + \sum_k \beta_{k,th}^2$$



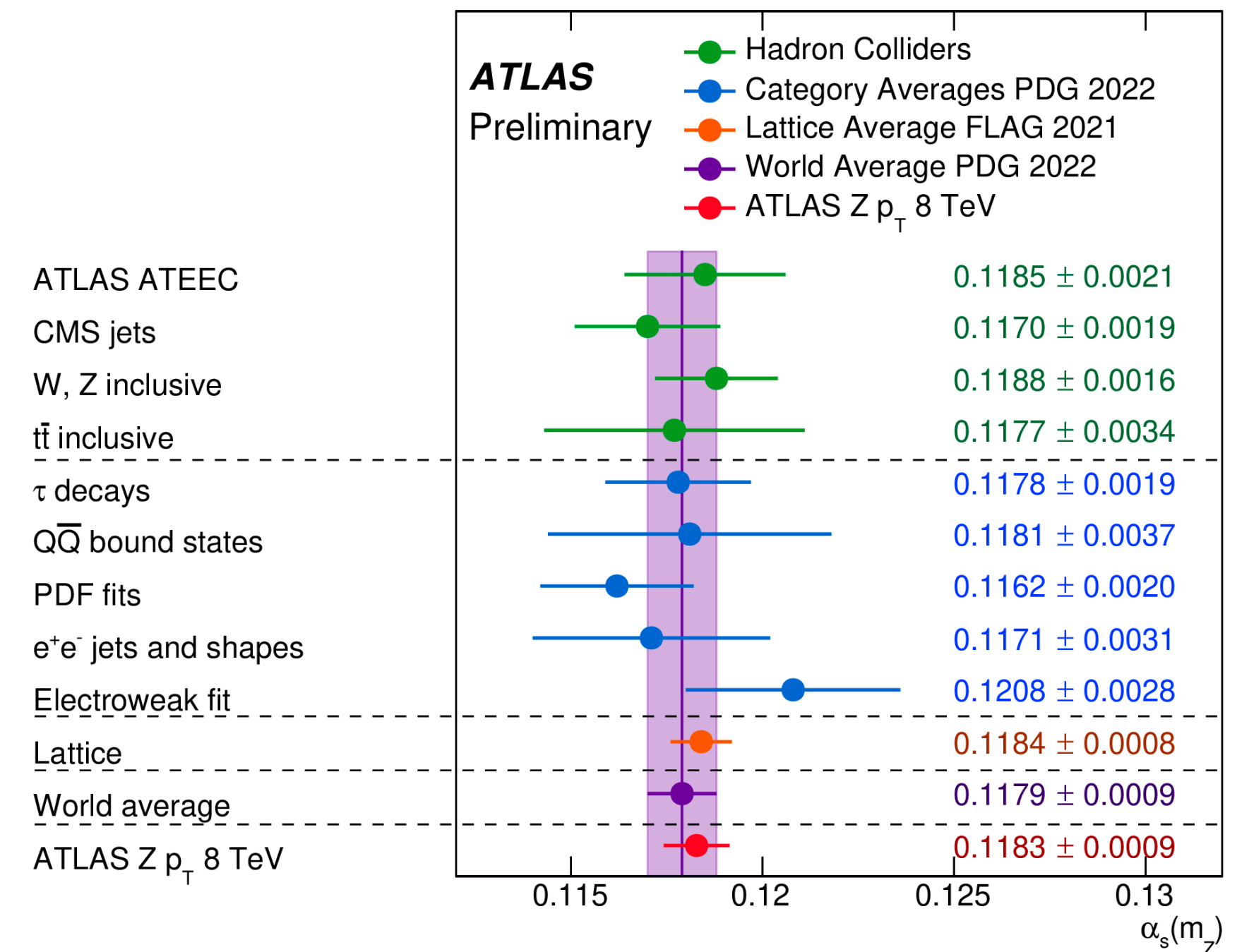
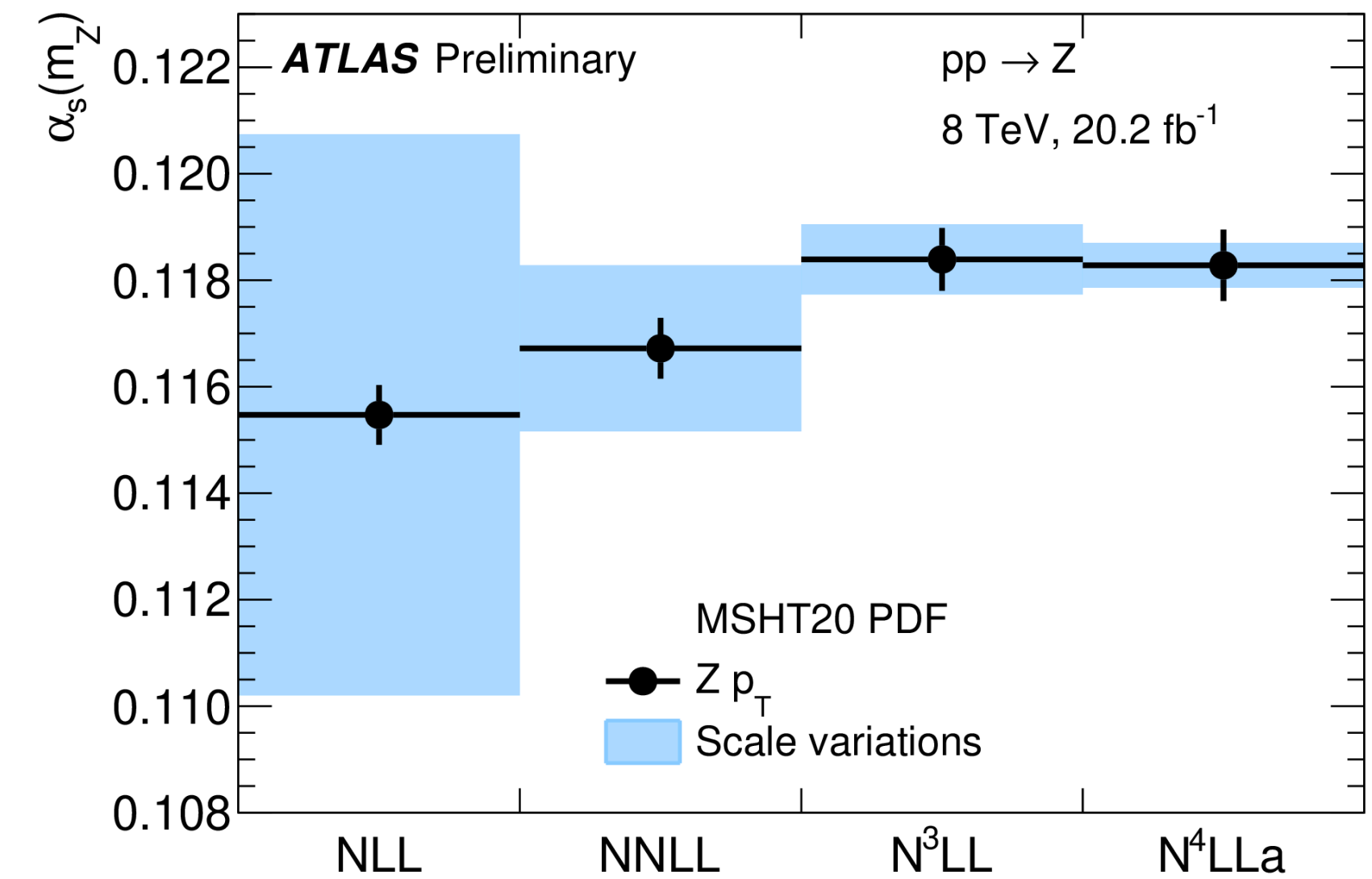
α_s extraction results

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- $\alpha_s(m_Z)$ determined at lower orders, demonstrating good convergence of perturbative series
- First $\alpha_s(m_Z)$ determination at N³LO+N⁴LL
- Precision similar to world average

Experimental uncertainty	+0.00044	-0.00044
PDF uncertainty	+0.00051	-0.00051
Scale variations uncertainties	+0.00042	-0.00042
Matching to fixed order	0	-0.00008
Non-perturbative model	+0.00012	-0.00020
Flavour model	+0.00021	-0.00029
QED ISR	+0.00014	-0.00014
N4LL approximation	+0.00004	-0.00004
Total	+0.00084	-0.00088

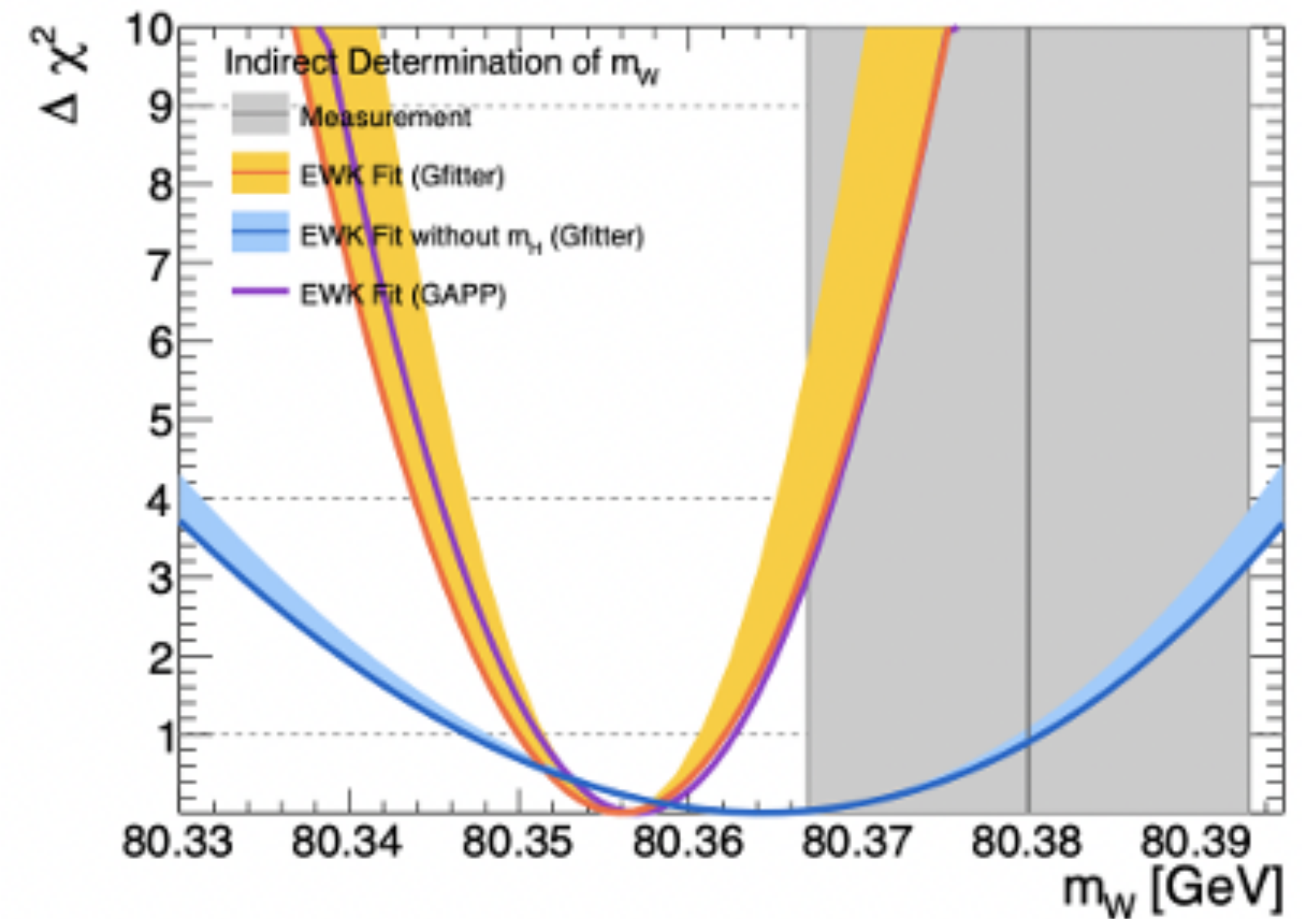
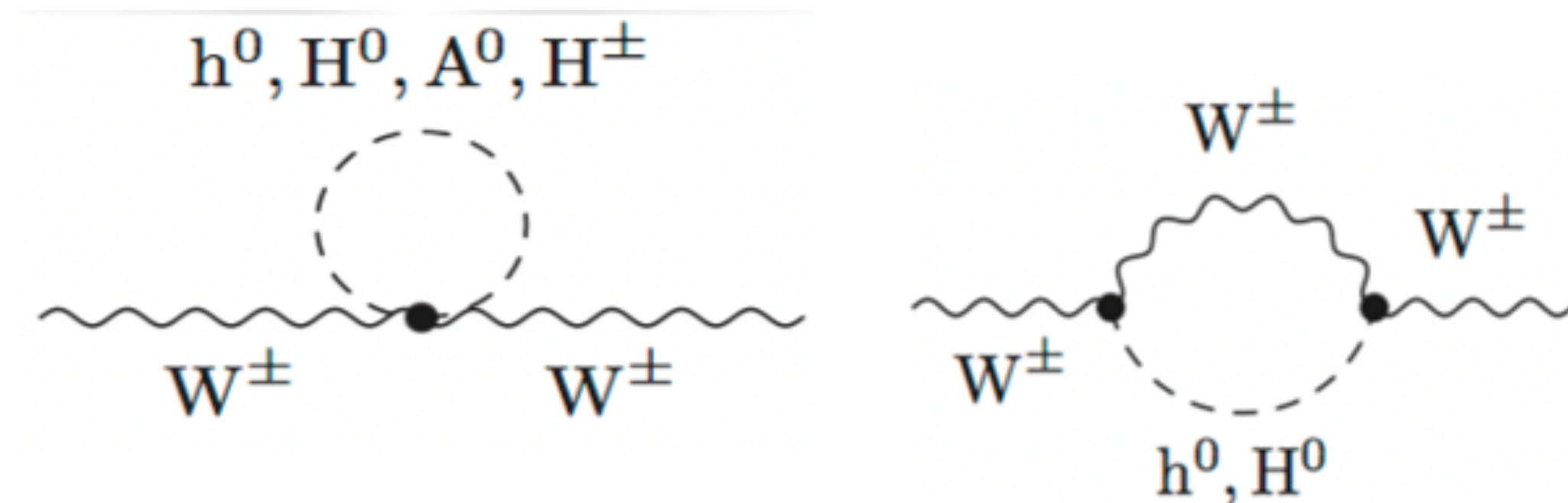
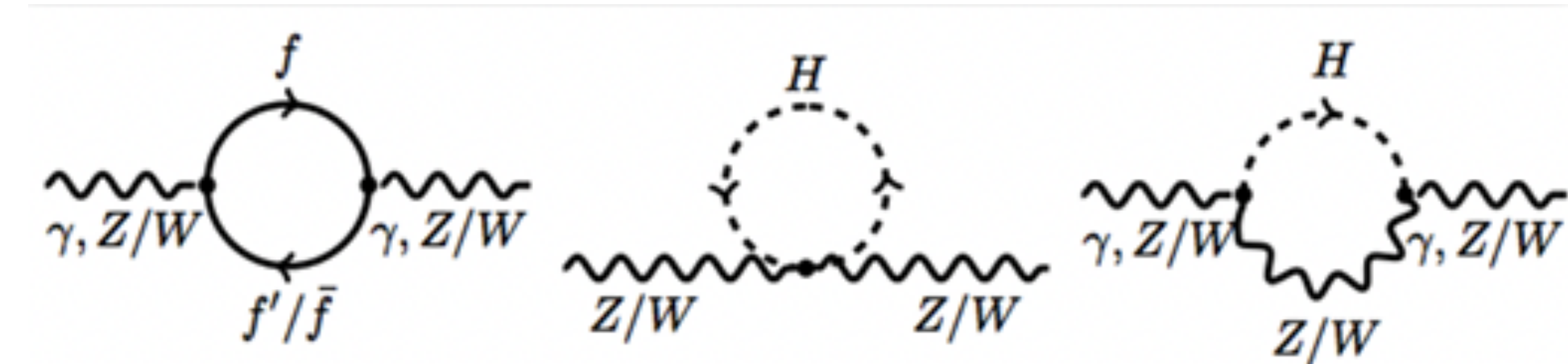
$$\alpha_s = 0.11828^{+0.00084}_{-0.00088}$$



W mass re-analysis at 7 TeV

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- m_W can be determined indirectly in EW global fit using four EW parameters (α_{em}, G_F, m_Z and $\sin \theta_W$) and m_H, m_{top}
- $\Delta m_W = 7$ MeV
- New particles in the virtual loops can potentially modify the SM prediction of m_W

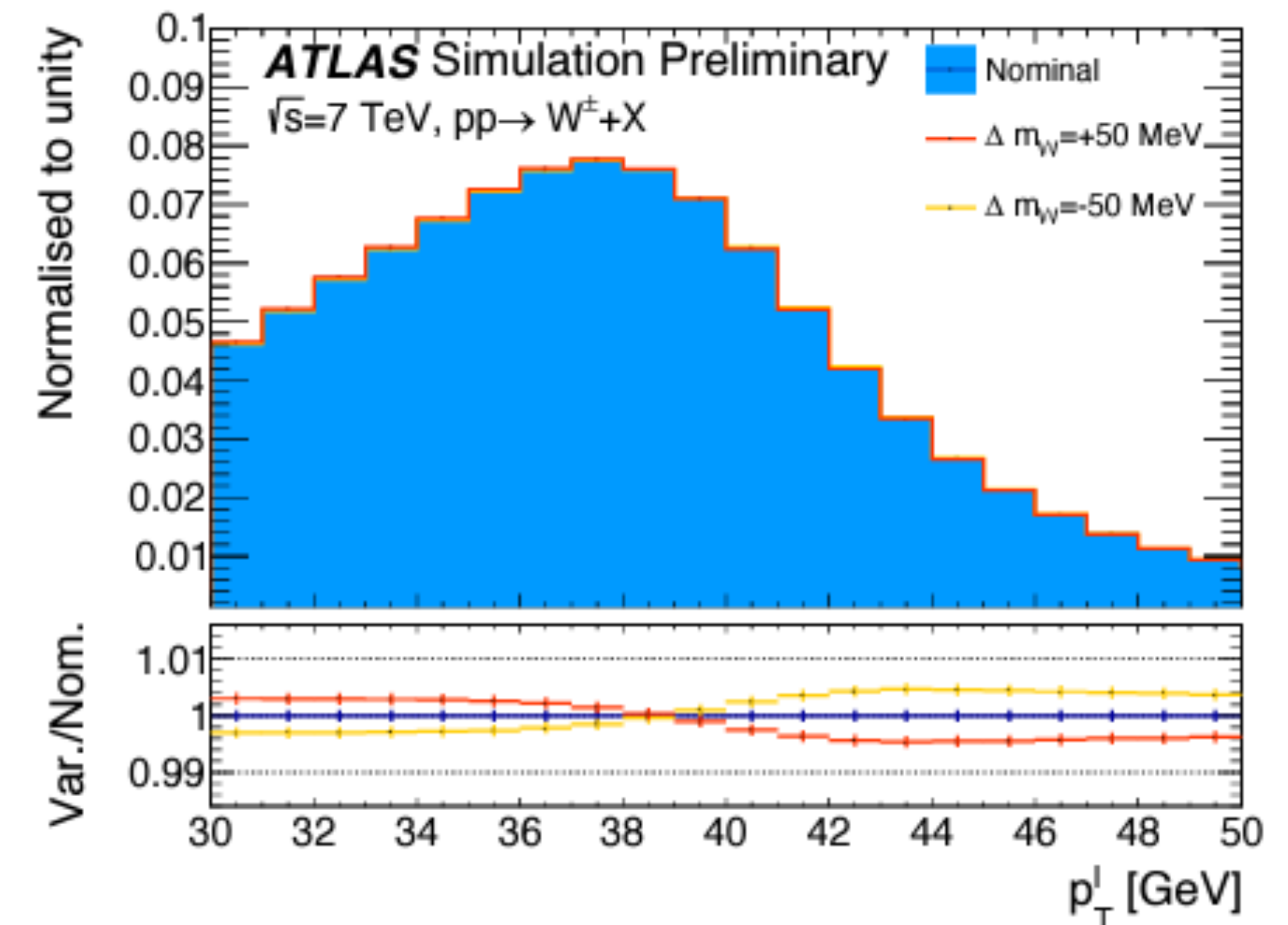
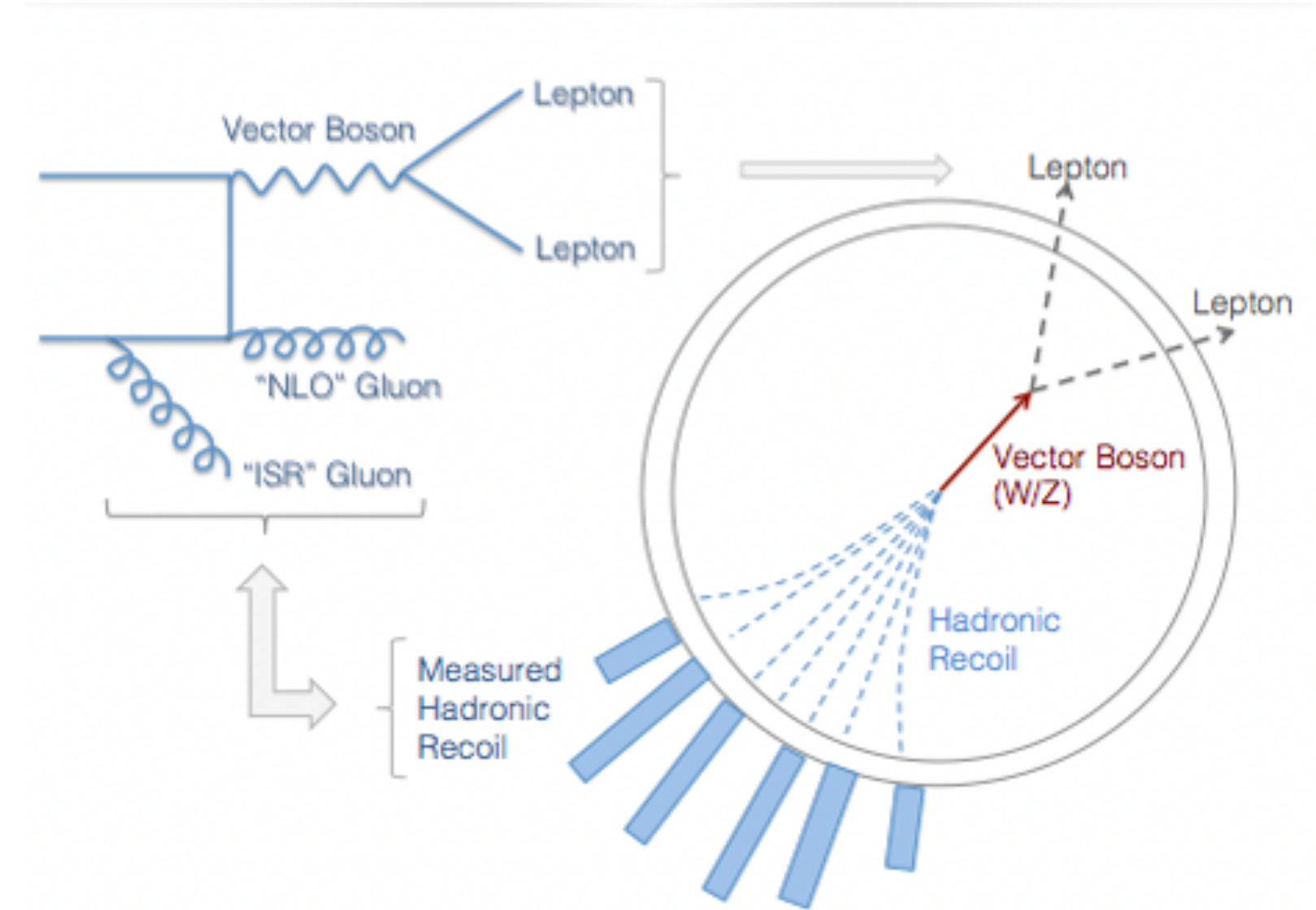


$$m_T = \sqrt{2p_T^\ell p_T^{\text{miss}}(1 - \cos \Delta\phi)}$$

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- m_W is determined using its dependence on the leptonic momentum p_T and the transverse mass m_T
- 2016 measurement revisited with advanced physics model and profile likelihood fitting
 - Advantages: Constrain systematic uncertainties in the fit
 - Disadvantages: Computational expensive, challenging to inspect systematics



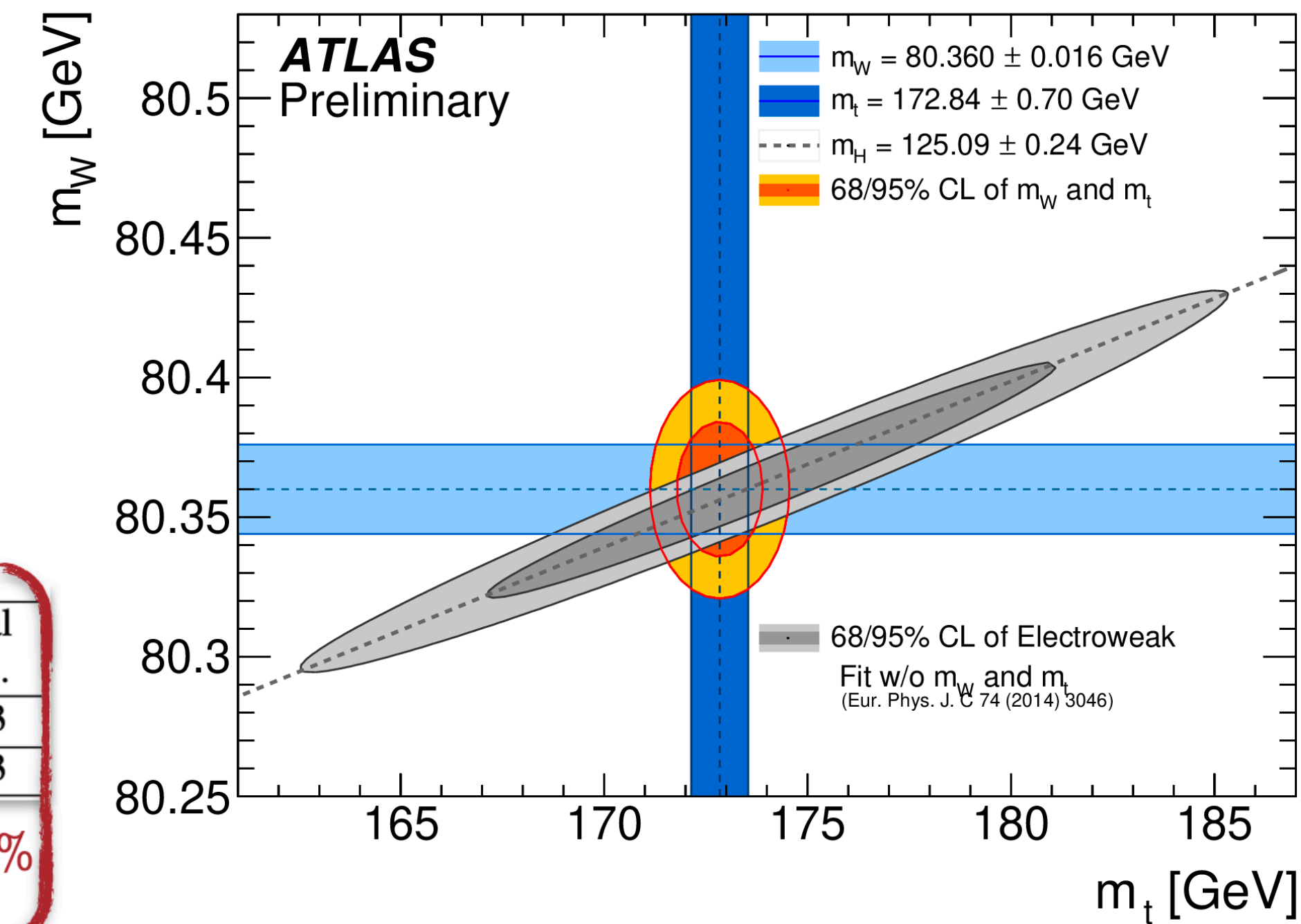
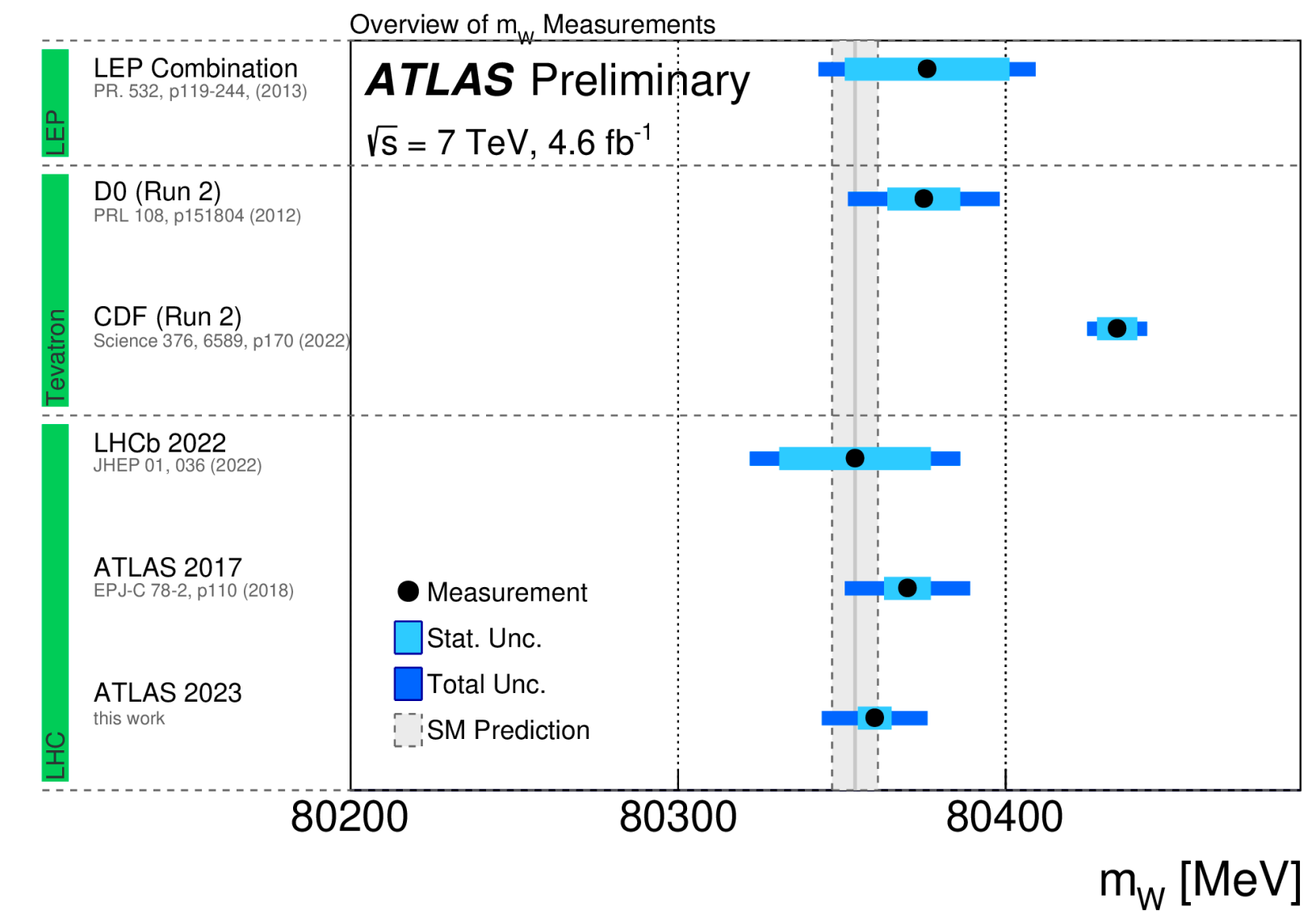
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- The new measurement gives

$$m_W = 80360 \pm 5_{(\text{stat.})} \pm 15_{(\text{syst.})} = 80360 \pm 16 \text{ MeV}$$

- Systematics dominated by the electron performance, PDF, EW and Parton Shower (PS)
- All in all, SM wins



Obs.	Mean [MeV]	Elec. Unc.	PDF Unc.	Muon Unc.	EW Unc.	PS & A_i Unc.	Bkg. Unc.	Γ_W Unc.	MC stat. Unc.	Lumi Unc.	Recoil Unc.	Total sys. Unc.	Data stat. Unc.	Total Unc.
p_T^ℓ	80360.1	8.0	7.7	7.0	6.0	4.7	2.4	2.0	1.9	1.2	0.6	15.5	4.9	16.3
m_T	80382.2	9.2	14.6	9.8	5.9	10.3	6.0	7.0	2.4	1.8	11.7	24.4	6.7	25.3

Improvements

PDF Unc. $\approx 15\%$
 PDF Unc. $\approx 30\%$

PS & A_i Unc. $\approx 40\%$
 PS & A_i Unc. $\approx 10\%$

Total Unc. $\approx 15\%$

Summary

- SM model continues to be a successful theory under immense inspection with unprecedented precision from LHC
 - No significant tension from the state of art predictions with accuracy up to $N^3\text{LO}+N^4\text{LL}$
 - Most precise determination of α_S and m_W from LHC
- LHC will continue to test SM with more to come!



Back-up

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PDF set	Total χ^2 / d.o.f.	χ^2 p-value	Pull on luminosity
MSHT20aN ³ LO [60]	13/8	0.11	1.2 ± 0.6
CT18A [61]	12/8	0.17	0.9 ± 0.7
MSHT20 [62]	10/8	0.26	0.9 ± 0.6
NNPDF4.0 [63]	30/8	0.0002	0.0 ± 0.2
ABMP16 [64]	30/8	0.0002	1.8 ± 0.4
HERAPDF2.0 [65]	22/8	0.005	-1.3 ± 0.8
ATLASpdf21 [66]	20/8	0.01	-1.1 ± 0.8

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