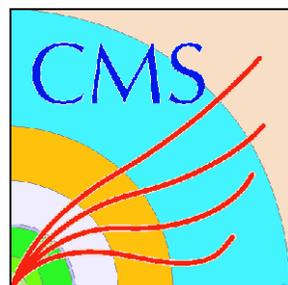


Z Boson Production and Properties at LHC

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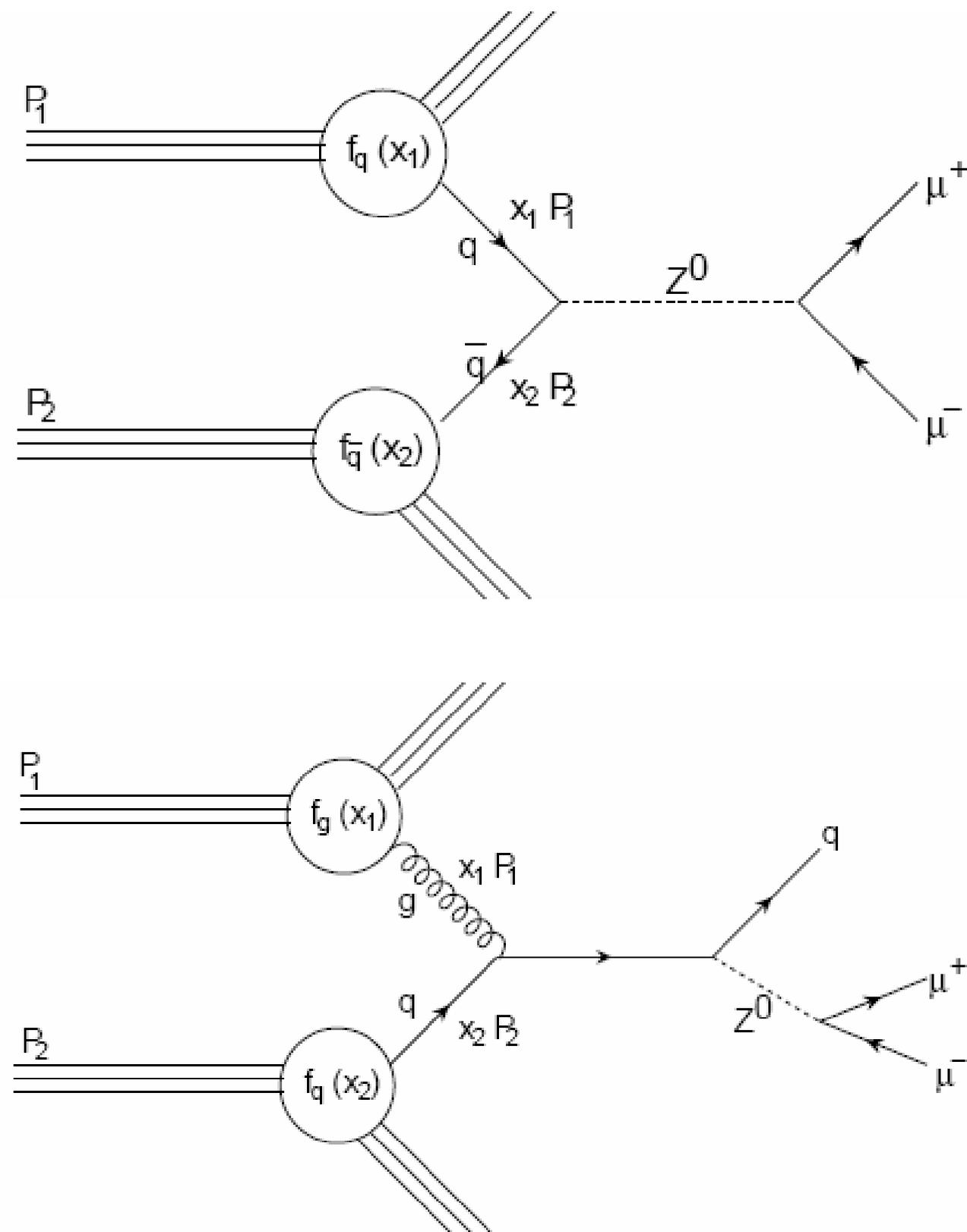


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Z Boson Production at the LHC

- Large Hadron Collider
 - Proton Proton Collisions
 - $\sqrt{s} = 14 \text{ TeV}$
 - Low Luminosity Phase:
 $L = 10^{33} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$
- Z boson production via Drell-Yan process
- Theoretical cross-section calculation available for NNLO

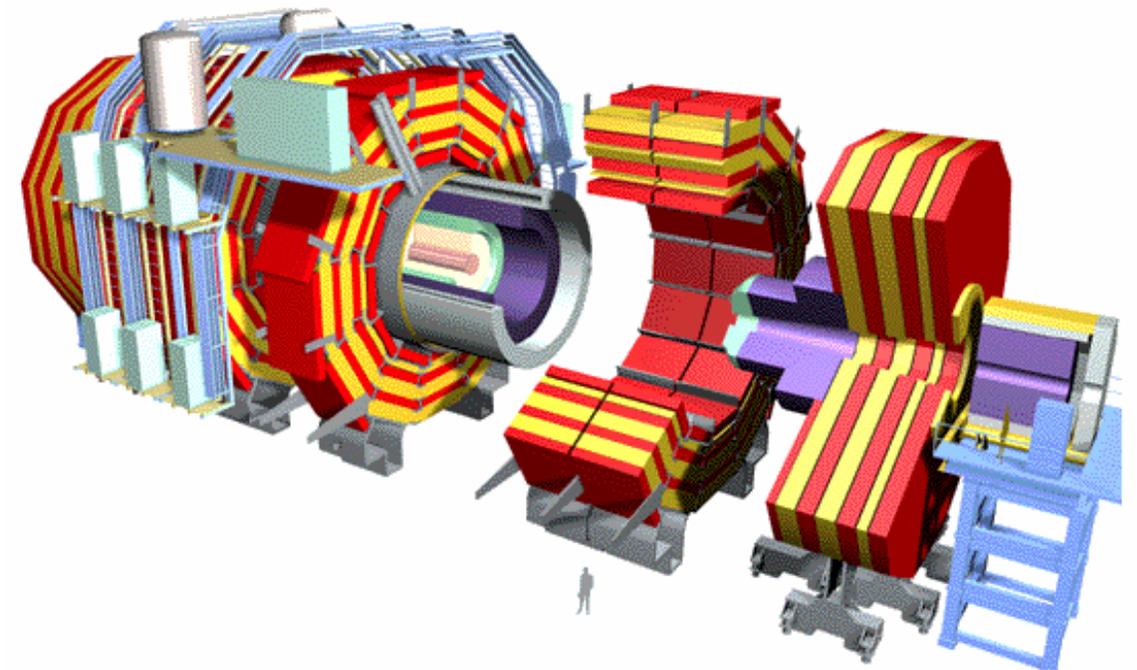
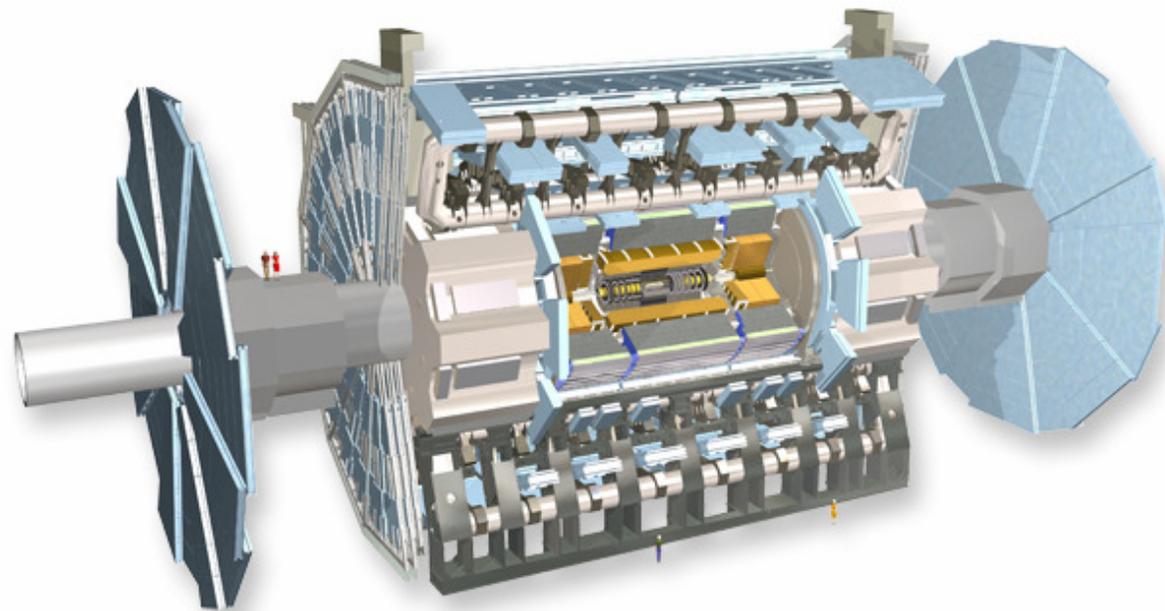
$$\sigma(pp \rightarrow Z / \gamma^* \rightarrow \mu\mu) = 1.972 \pm 0.019 \text{ nb}$$
- Initial Phase of LHC:
 $\int L dt = 100 \text{ pb}^{-1}$ ($\approx 100,000 \text{ Z} \rightarrow \mu\mu$)
- 200,000 $\text{Z} \rightarrow \mu\mu$ events are expected per day during low luminosity



ATLAS and CMS Detector

● ATLAS Detector

● CMS Detector



● Tracker

$|\eta| < 2.5$ coverage

$$\sigma / p_T \approx 5 \cdot 10^{-5} p_T \oplus 0.01 \text{ [GeV]}$$

$|\eta| < 2.6$ coverage

$$\sigma / p_T \approx 1.5 \cdot 10^{-5} p_T \oplus 0.005$$

● EM Calorimeter

$|\eta| < 4.9$ coverage

$$\sigma / E \approx 10\% / \sqrt{E} \text{ [GeV]}$$

$|\eta| < 4.9$ coverage

$$\sigma / E \approx 2 - 5\% / \sqrt{E}$$

● HAD Calorimeter

$|\eta| < 4.9$ coverage

$$\sigma / E \approx 50\% / \sqrt{E} \oplus 0.03 \text{ [GeV]}$$

$|\eta| < 4.9$ coverage

$$\sigma / E \approx 100\% / \sqrt{E} \oplus 0.05$$

● Muon Spectrometer

$|\eta| < 2.7$ coverage, 1 TeV muons:

$$\sigma / p_T \approx 0.07 \text{ (standalone)}$$

$|\eta| < 2.6$ coverage, 1 TeV muon:

$$\sigma / p_T \approx 0.10 \text{ (standalone)}$$

Z Boson Production at the LHC

Physics Measurements

- Cross-Sections
- PDF Constraints
- Forward Backward Asymmetries
- Sensitivity to exotic physics processes

Detector Calibration

- Detector Efficiencies
 - Reconstruction
 - Trigger
- Resolution
- Alignment

- In this talk:

- Cross Section Measurement in the muon decay channel for the initial phase

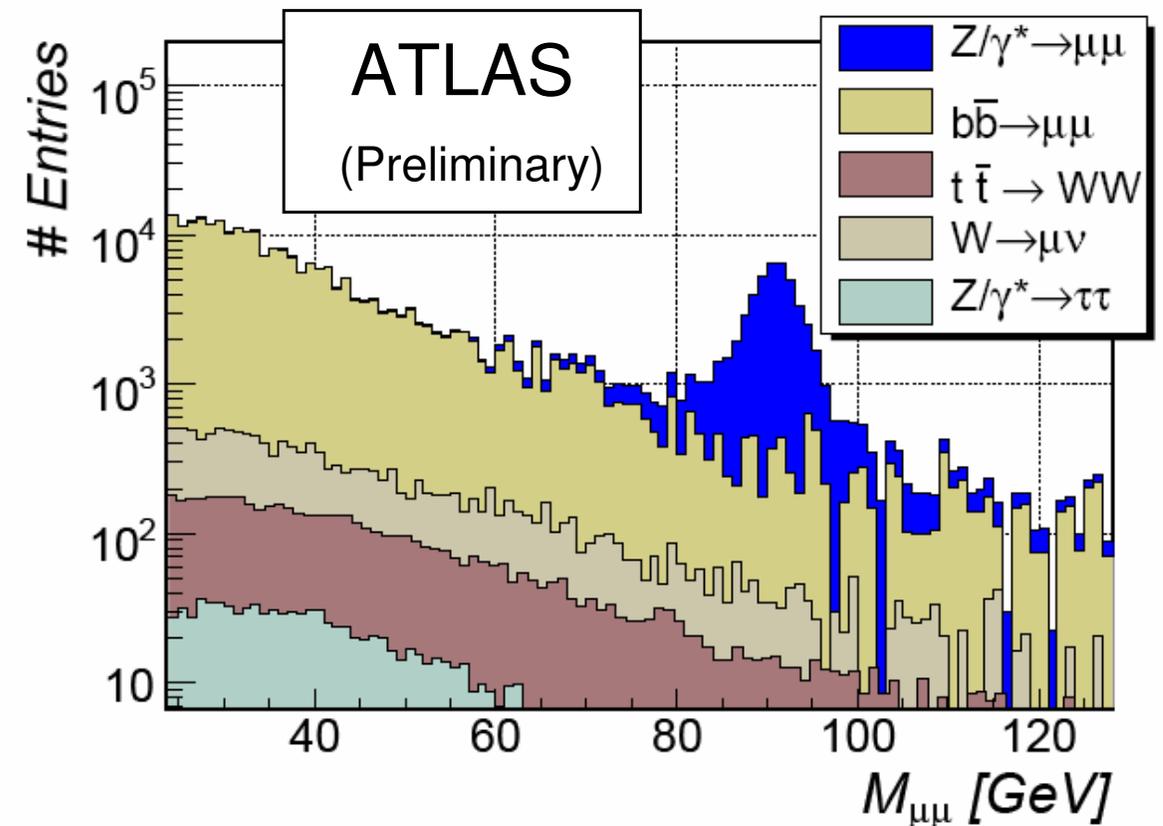
$$\sigma(pp \rightarrow Z / \gamma^* + X \rightarrow \mu\mu) = \frac{N_{\text{Candidates}} (1 - f_{\text{Background}})}{\mathcal{E}_{\text{total}} \int L dt}$$

- Forward Backward Asymmetries in the electron decay channel

Signal Selection

● Background Processes

- QCD Processes $b\bar{b} \rightarrow \mu\mu + X$
- $W + jets \rightarrow \mu\nu + jets$
- $Z \rightarrow \tau\tau \rightarrow \mu\nu + \mu\nu$
- $t\bar{t} \rightarrow Wb + Wb \rightarrow \mu\nu + jet + \mu\nu + jet$
- Background Uncertainty < 0.02



ATLAS Selection

- Two reconstructed muon tracks
- Opposite Charge
- $|91.2 \text{ GeV} - M_{\mu\mu}| < 30 \text{ GeV}$
- $p_T^1 > 15 \text{ GeV}$, $p_T^2 > 25 \text{ GeV}$
- Muon isolation requirements
- $|\eta| < 2.5$

CMS Selection

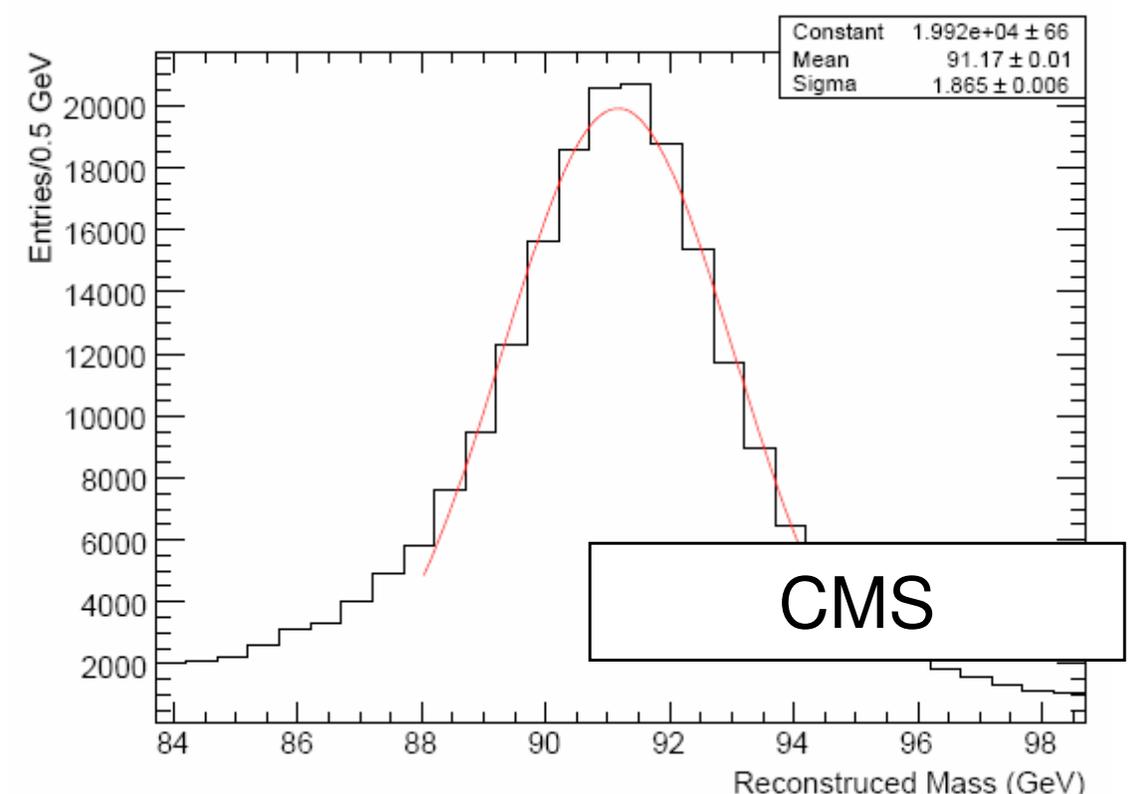
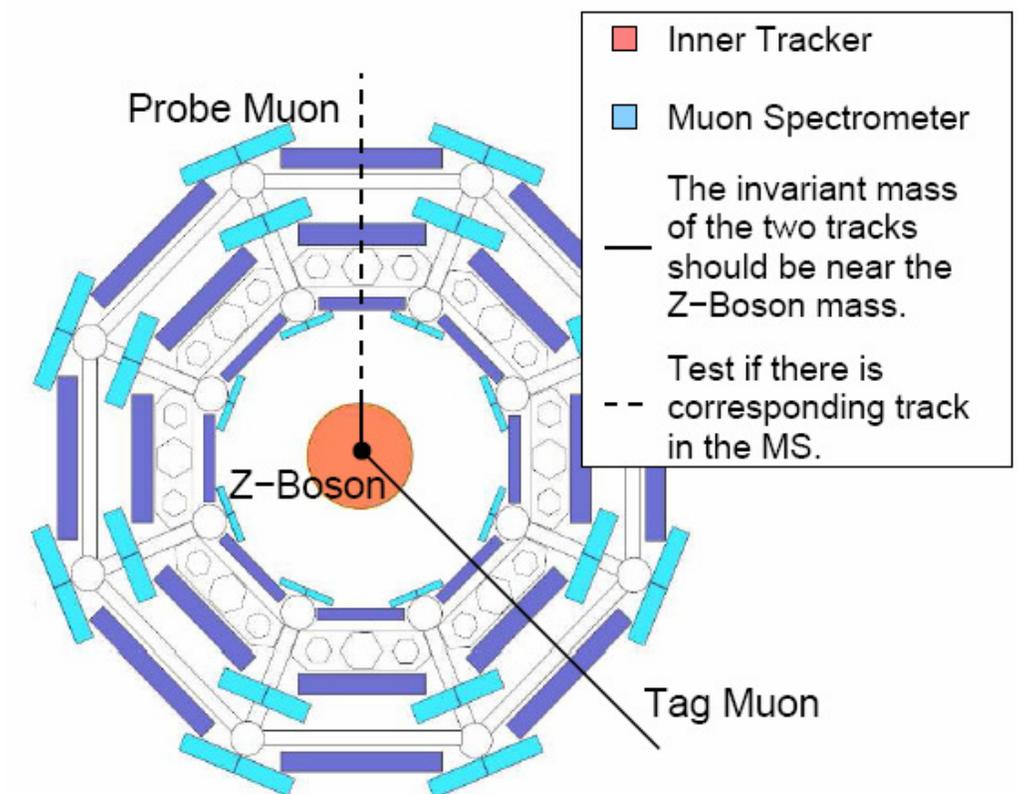
- One reconstructed muon track in the muon system + one opposite charged inner track
- $|91.2 \text{ GeV} - M_{\mu\mu}| < 7.5 \text{ GeV}$
- $p_T^{1,2} > 20 \text{ GeV}$
- Muon isolation requirements
- $|\eta| < 2.0$

In Situ Determination of Detector Response

- Efficiency determination in data
 - ‘Tag and Probe’ method
 - Limitations: ‘tag’ and ‘probe’ correlations, background processes, Φ -symmetric inefficiencies
- Determination of detector resolutions
 - Folding the Monte Carlo predicted resolution by a smearing function to reproduce the measured Z boson resonance curve

Expected precision

- $\Delta\epsilon_{\text{Tracking}} \approx 0.2\text{-}0.5\%$
- $\Delta\epsilon_{\text{Trigger}} \approx 0.2\%$
- momentum scale to few per mille
- ...



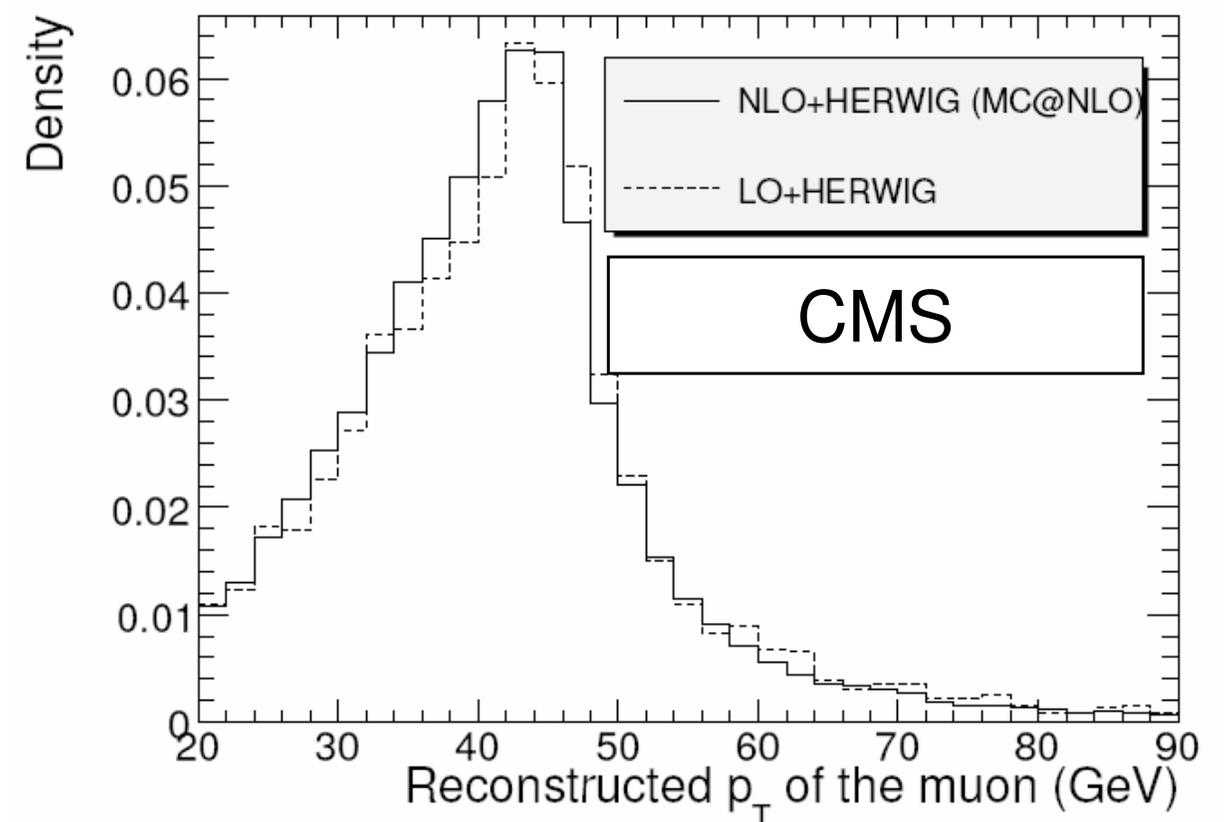
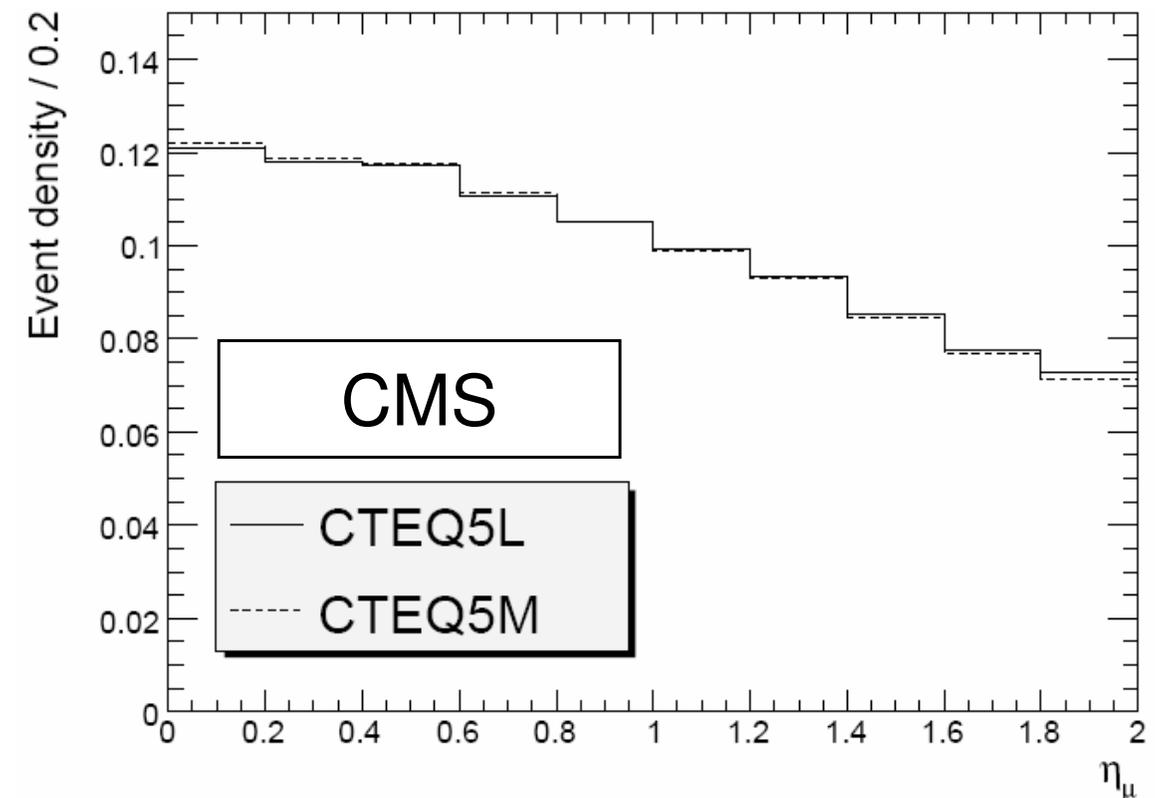
Further Systematic Uncertainties

● Further Experimental Systematic Uncertainties

- misalignment
- magnetic field knowledge
- collision point uncertainty
- pile-up effects
- underlying events
- **An overall systematic uncertainty of less than 0.35% for both detectors**

● Theoretical Systematic Uncertainties

- PDF choice: $\approx 0.9\%$
- Initial state radiation: $\approx 0.2\%$
- p_T effects (LO to NLO): $\approx 1.8\%$



Summary of Uncertainties

ATLAS (Preliminary)

- $\Delta\epsilon_{\text{Reconstruction}} \approx 0.6\%$
(Uncertainty of muon rec. eff.)
- $\Delta\epsilon_{\text{Kinematic}} \approx 0.3\%$
(Uncertainty of kinematic cuts)
- $\Delta\epsilon_{\text{Trigger}} \approx 0.2\%$
(Trigger uncertainty)
- $\Delta\epsilon_{\text{Isolation}} \approx 0.2\%$
(Uncertainty of muon isolation)

CMS

- $\Delta\epsilon_{\text{Tracking}} \approx 1.0\%$
(Uncertainty due to muon tracking)
- $\Delta\epsilon_{\text{Trigger}} \approx 0.2\%$
(Trigger uncertainty)
- $\Delta\epsilon_{\text{Isolation}} \approx 0.2\%$
(Uncertainty of muon isolation)

- CMS: Expected Precision for $\int L dt = 100 \text{ pb}^{-1}$

$$\frac{\Delta\sigma}{\sigma}(pp \rightarrow Z/\gamma^* + X \rightarrow \mu\mu) = 0.004 \text{ (stat)} \pm 0.011 \text{ (ex.sys)} \pm 0.02 \text{ (th.sys)} \pm 0.1 \text{ (lumi)}$$

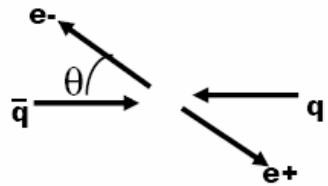
- ATLAS: Expected Precision for $\int L dt = 100 \text{ pb}^{-1}$ (preliminary)

$$\frac{\Delta\sigma}{\sigma}(pp \rightarrow Z/\gamma^* + X \rightarrow \mu\mu) = 0.004 \text{ (stat)} \pm 0.008 \text{ (ex.sys)} \pm 0.02 \text{ (th.sys)} \pm 0.1 \text{ (lumi)}$$

Forward and Backward Asymmetries at the Z Pole

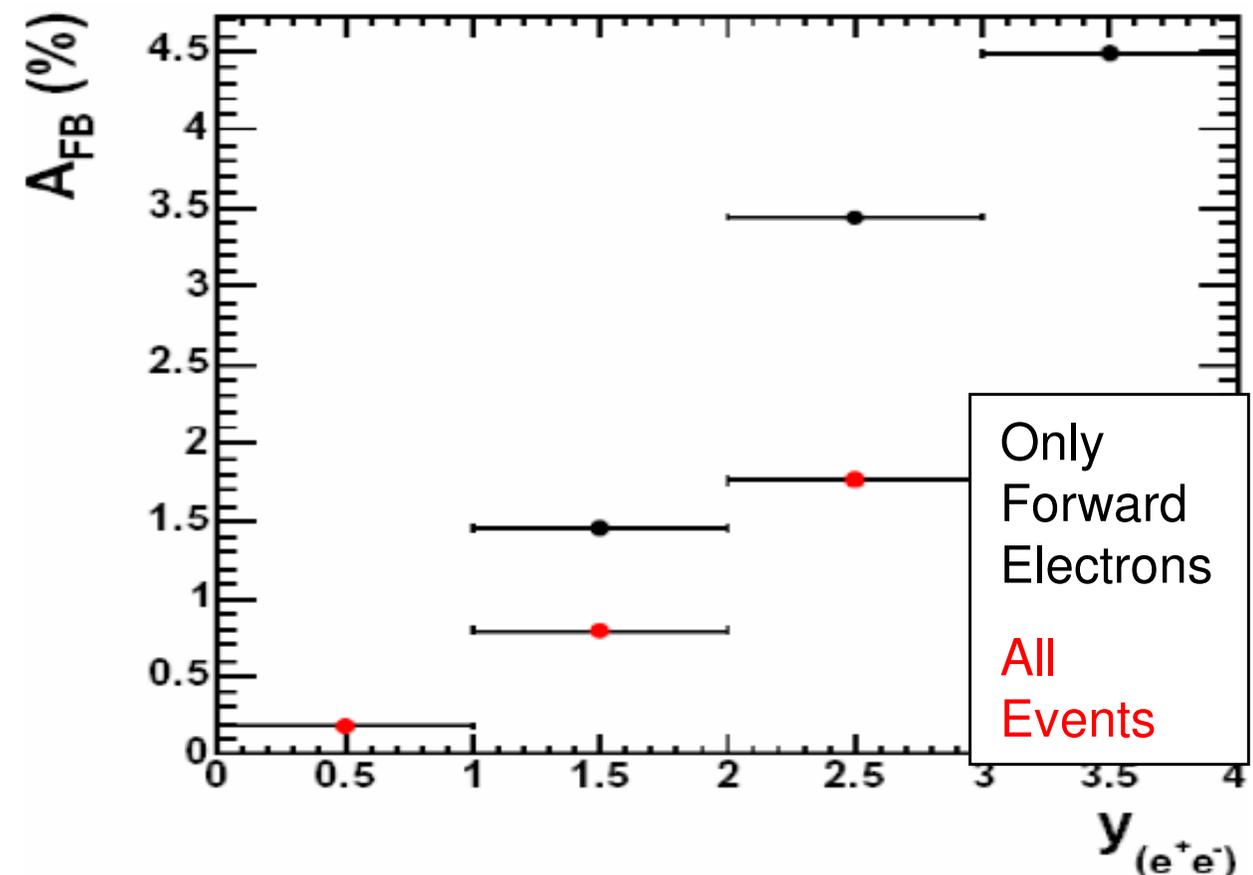
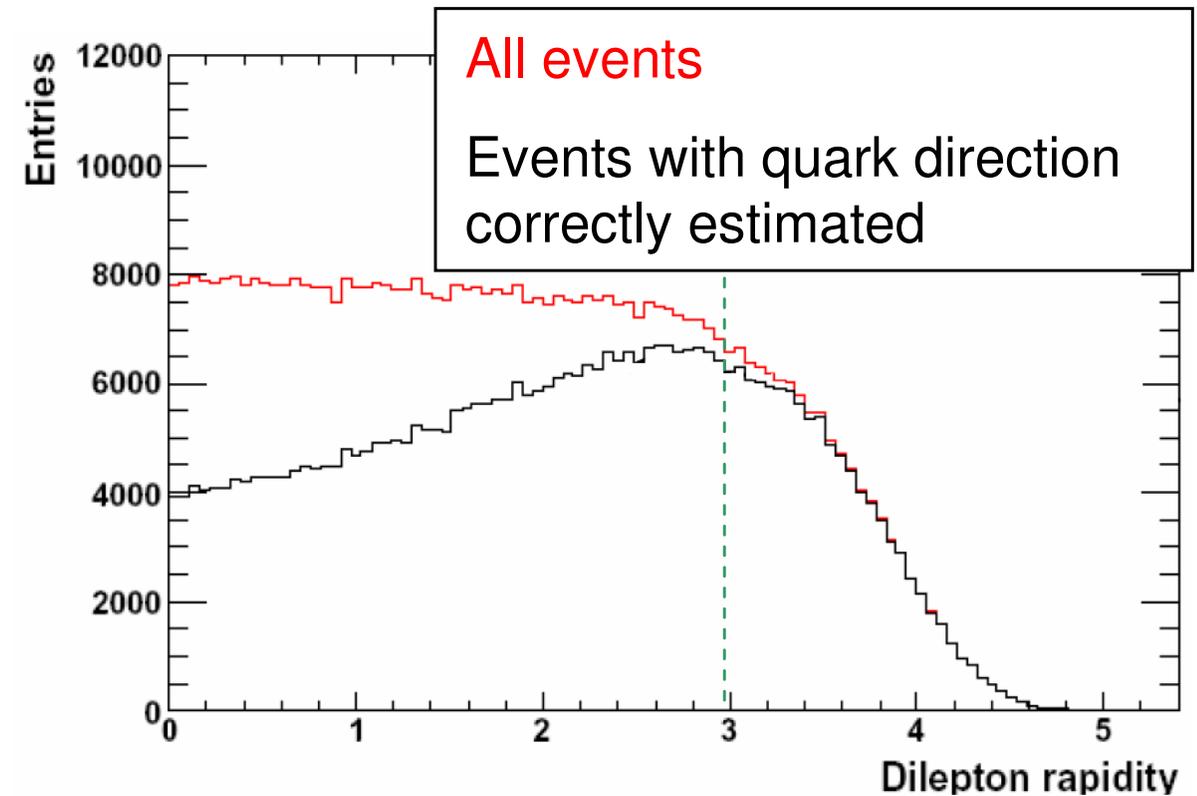
- Θ -dependence of cross-section

$$\frac{1}{\sigma} \frac{d\sigma}{d\cos\theta} = \frac{3}{8} N_c \left[1 + \frac{4}{3} A_{FB} \cos\theta + \cos^2\theta \right]$$



- Assumption for pp-collisions: the quark direction is the same as the boost of the Z
 - Correct for large di-lepton rapidities
 - Only EM calorimeters provide the required large η -coverage

- Determination of A_{FB} is a ‘simple’ counting problem
 - A statistical precision of the Weinberg angle of 10^{-4} at $\int L dt = 100 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ reachable.
 - Dominating systematic: PDF Uncertainties
→ **Use A_{FB} to constrain PDFs**



Conclusion and Outlook

- The Z boson will be produced with extremely **high statistics**
 - Excellent (online) calibration channel for the muon systems and the electromagnetic calorimeters
 - The p_T and rapidity distribution of the Z boson will open new possibilities to constrain the PDF functions
 - Measurement of the forward backward asymmetry possible
- **Initial Phase of LHC**
 - Cross section measurement is expected to be already dominated by theoretical uncertainties
 - Independent CMS and ATLAS studies give similar expected precision
 - Possible cross-check of measured integrated luminosity
- **2008:** Let's hope to publish first results with real data to demonstrate the power of the ATLAS and CMS detectors

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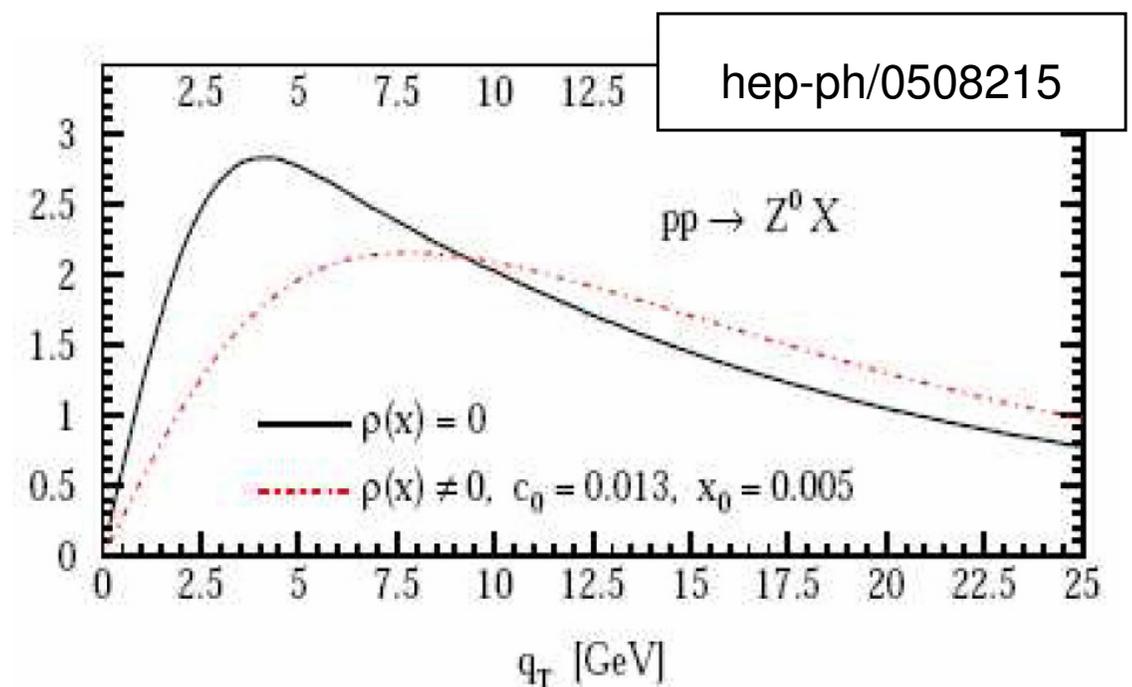
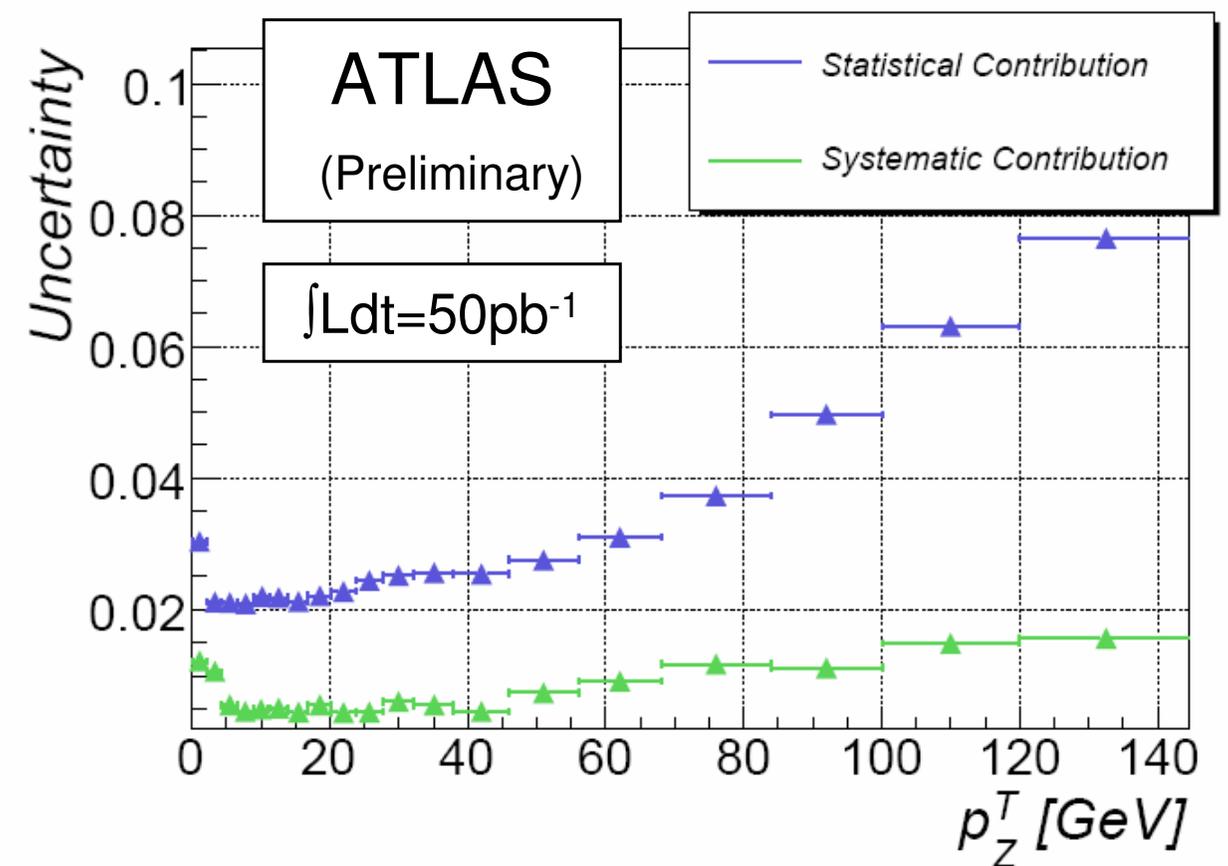
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Differential Cross Section

- The PDF acceptance uncertainties on the total cross section measurement are an artefact of measuring the cross-section inclusively
- Study also the differential cross section with $\int L dt = 100 \text{ pb}^{-1}$
 - Acceptance uncertainties are expected to be very small
 - Statistical uncertainties are expected to dominate during initial phase
 - Possibility to study dynamics of QCD and PDFs
 - E.g.: A possible first observation of x-broadening effect in hadron collisions



Background Estimation from Data

- Estimation of W background

- Assumption

$$P_{3\mu}(Z \rightarrow \mu\mu) \approx P_{2\mu}(W \rightarrow \mu\nu)$$

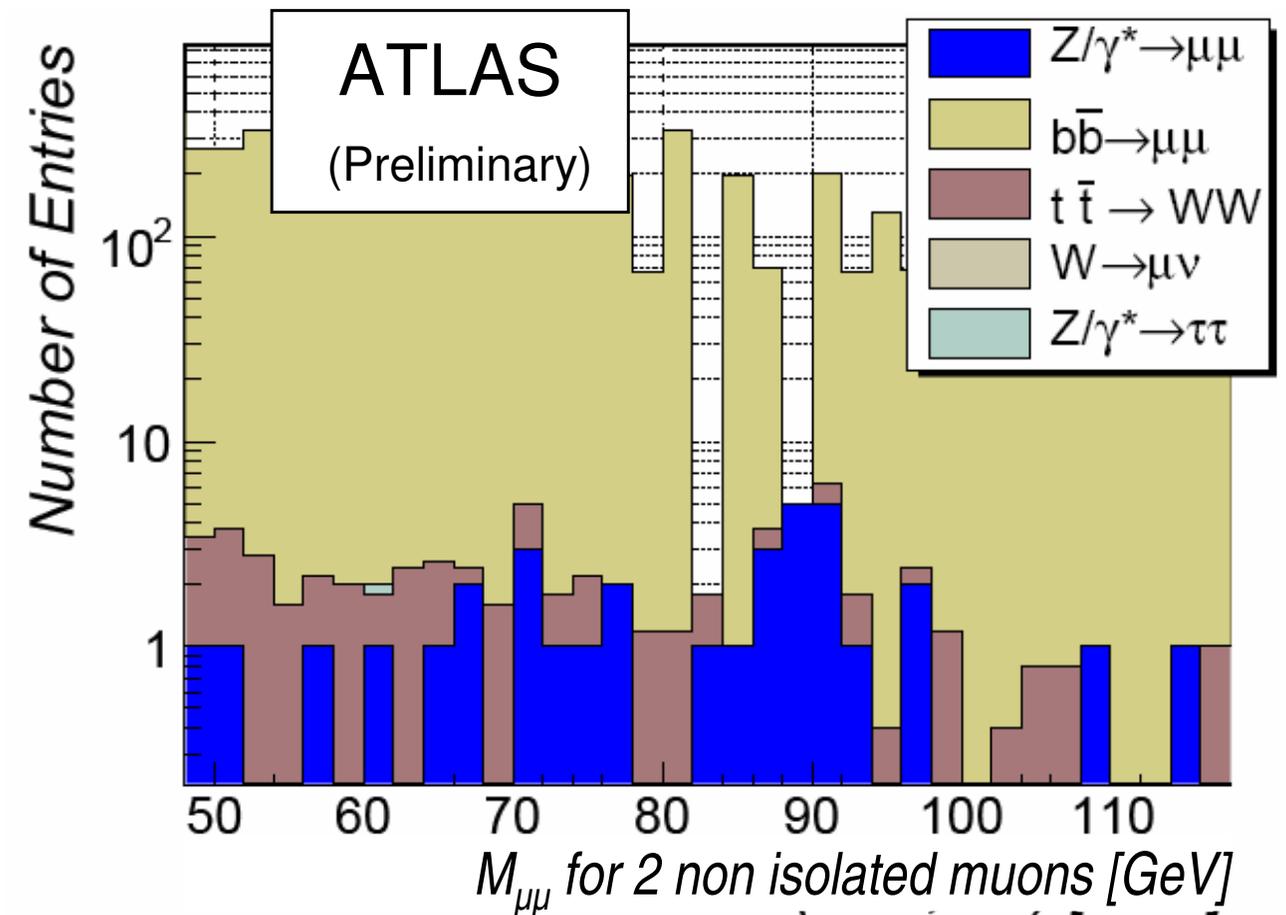
- $P_{3\mu}(Z \rightarrow \mu\mu)$: Probability for 3 candidate muons passing the selection cuts in $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$.

- Estimation of QCD background

- Select sub-sample in data which is dominated by QCD-events, e.g. 2 non-isolated muons

- Use this sub-sample to estimate the QCD background with full selection cuts

- Other background processes are well understood and can be estimated with Monte Carlo.



Background contribution (ATLAS)

- $f_{bb} \approx 0.002 \pm 0.002$ (sys)
- $f_W \approx 0.002 \pm 0.001$ (sys)
- $f_{tt} \approx 0.0043 \pm 0.001$ (sys)
- Similar results for CMS

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