

About me

A short self-introduction

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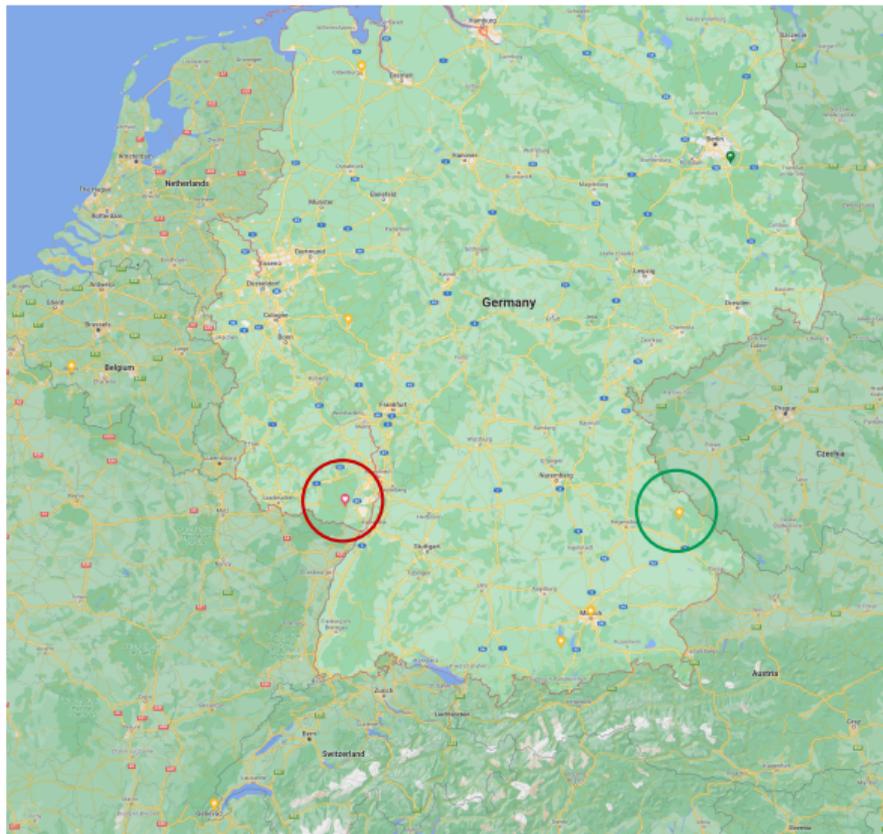
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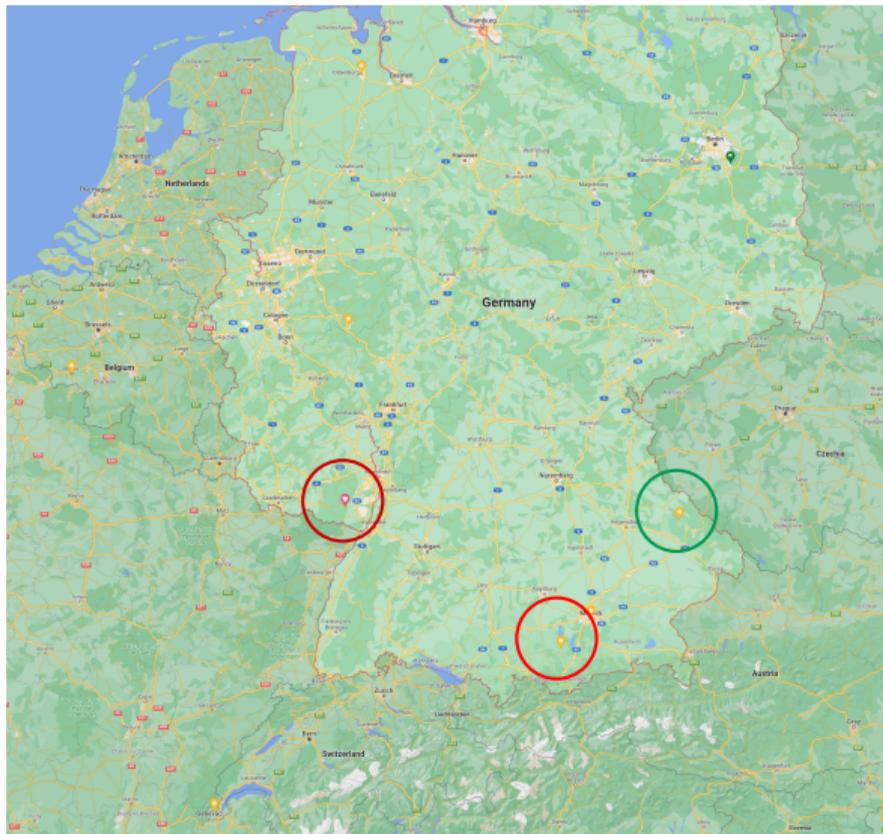
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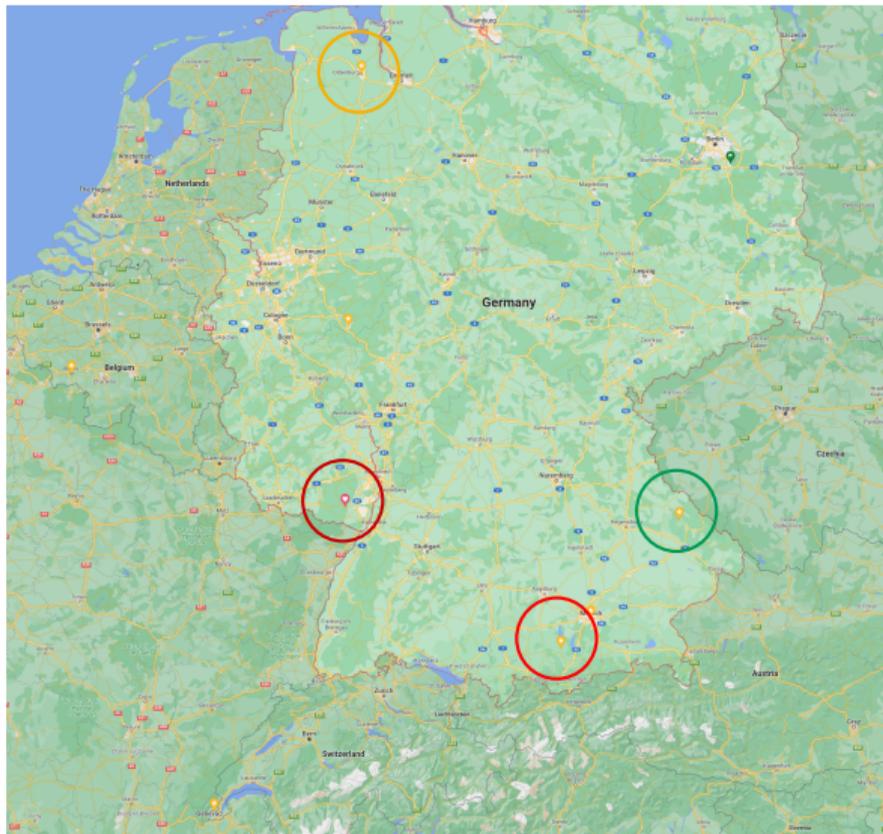
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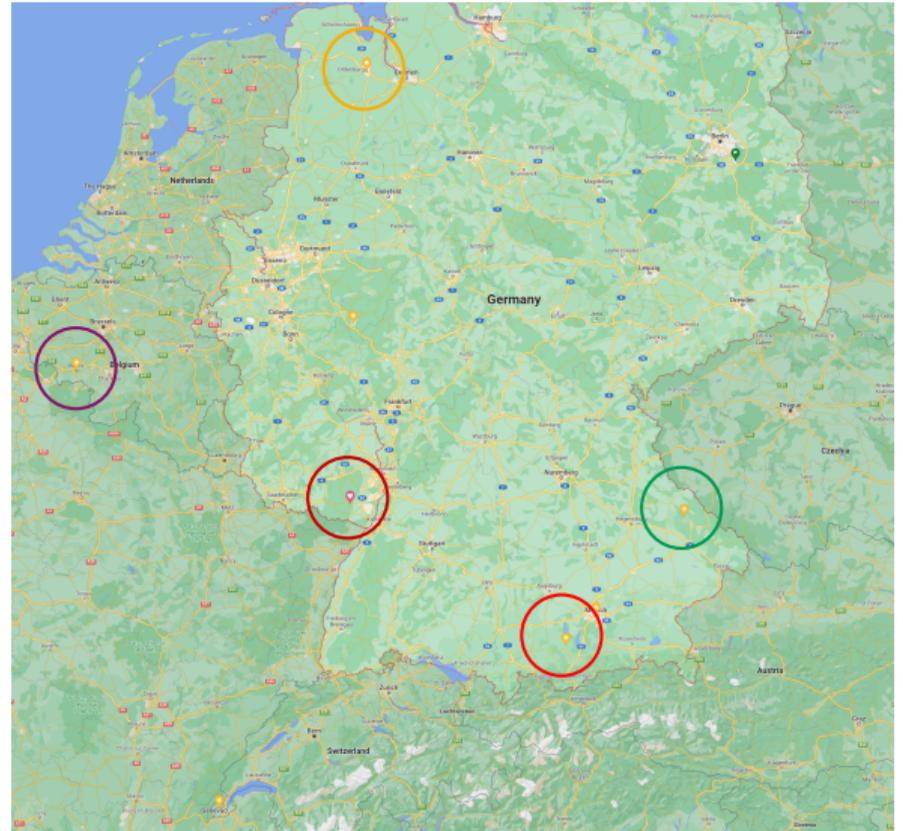
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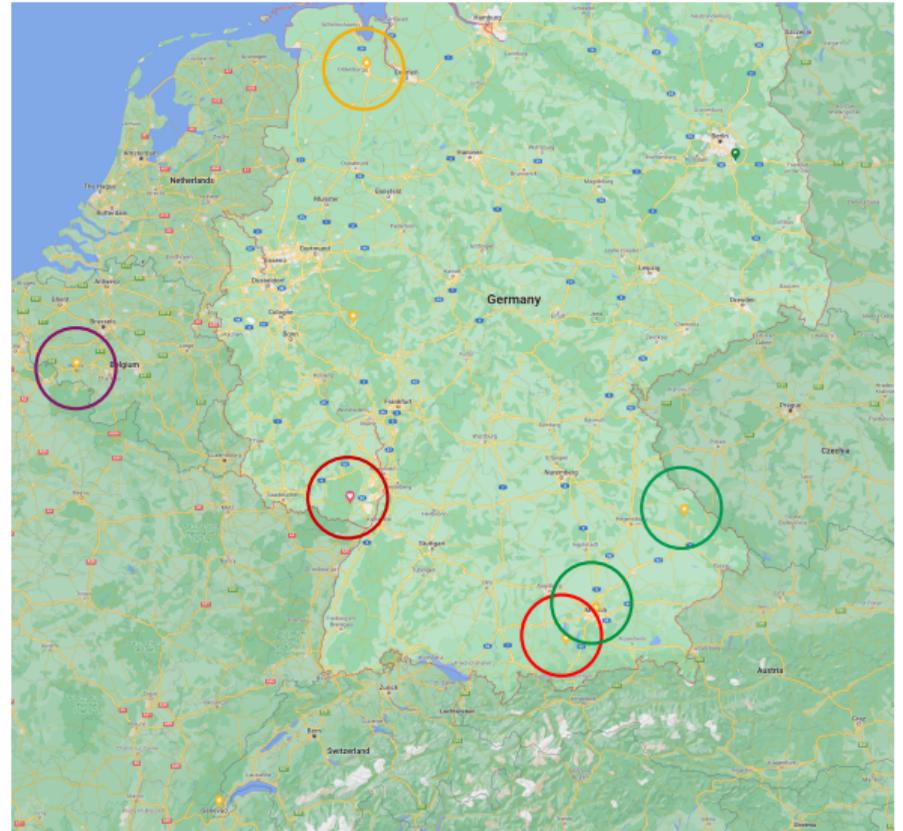
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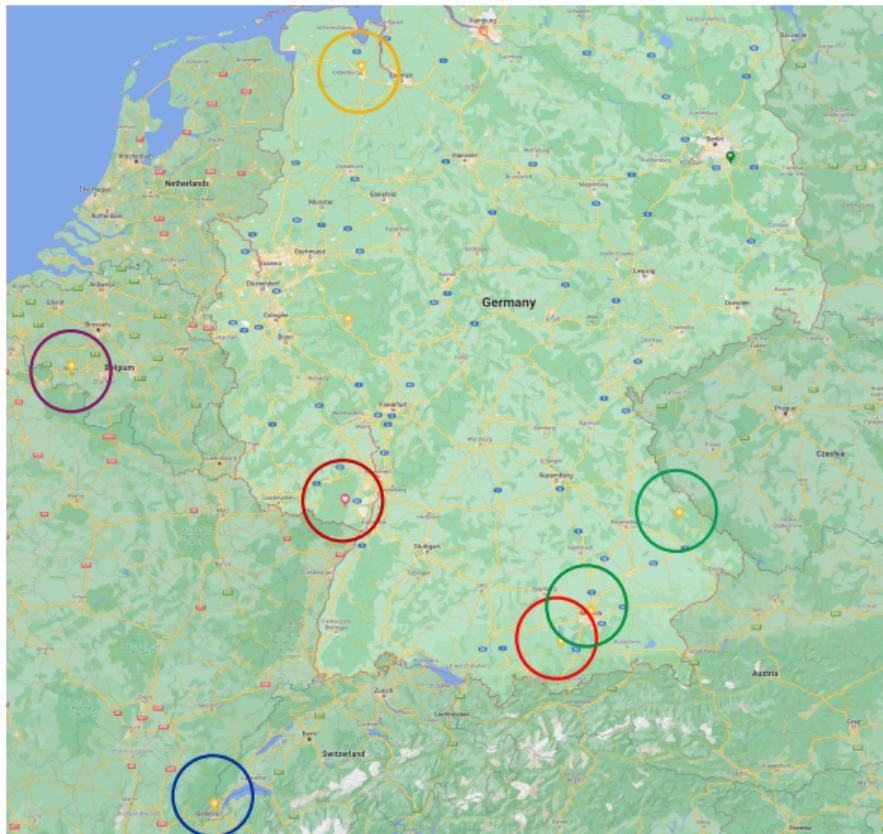
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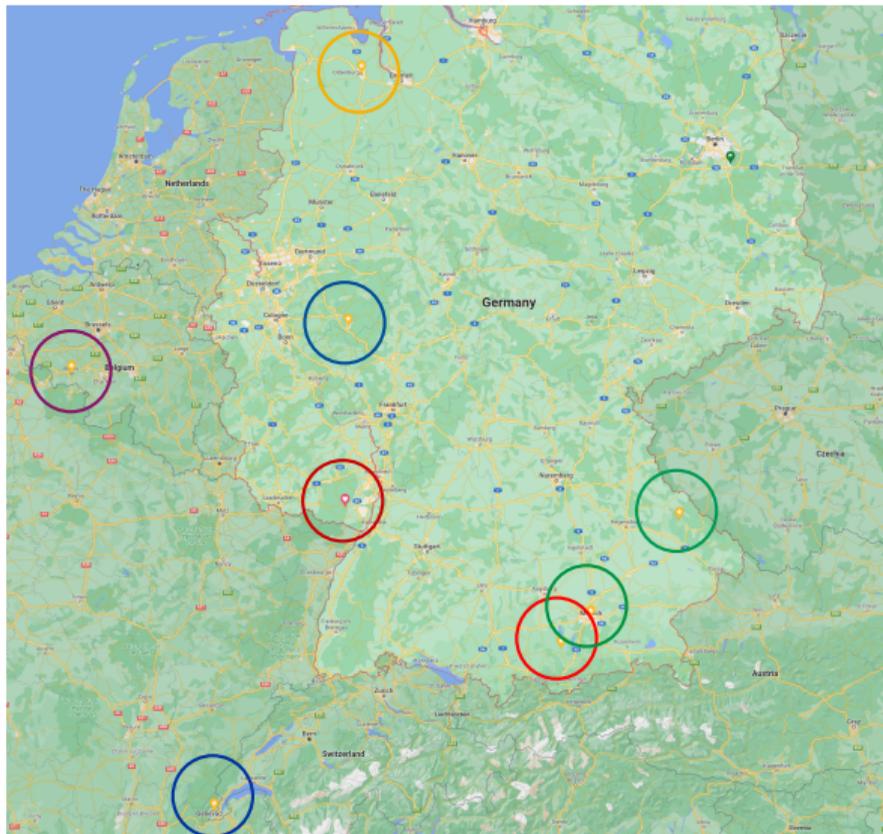
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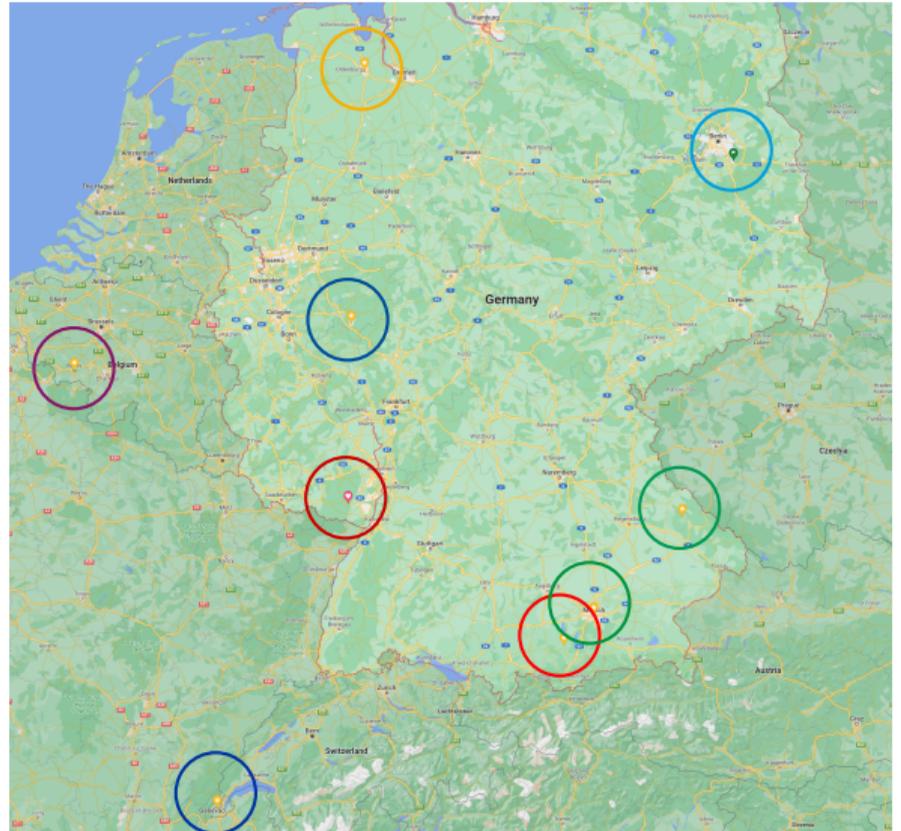
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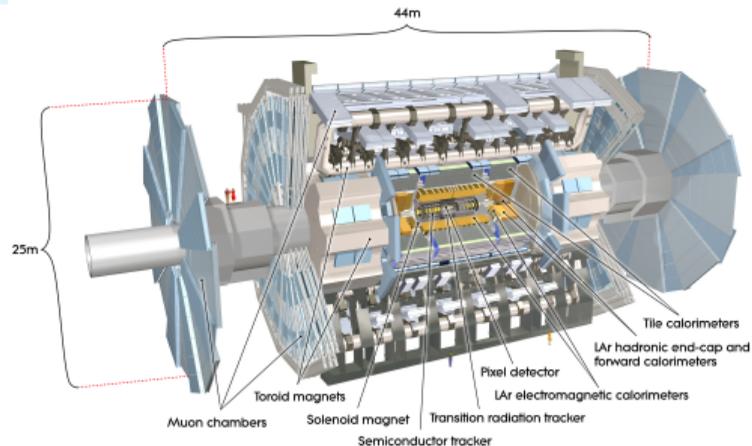
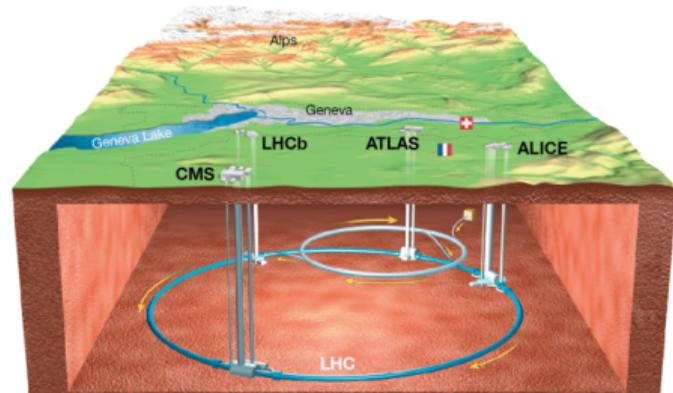


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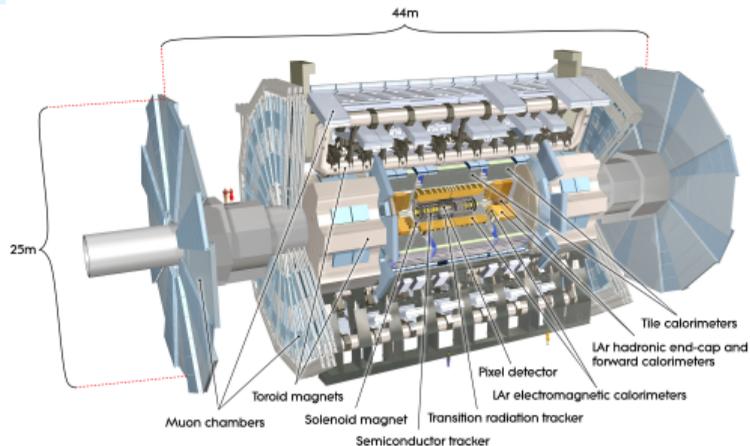
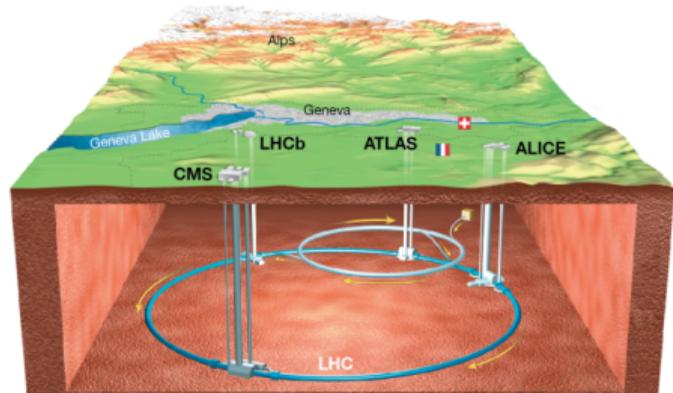
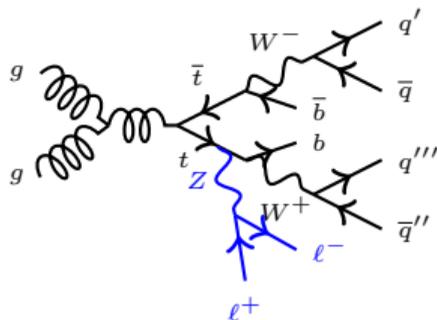
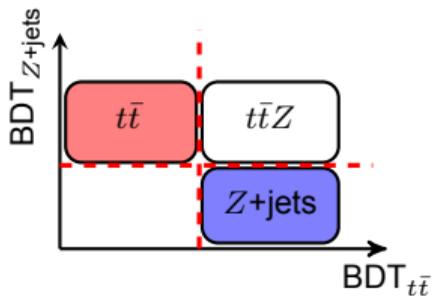
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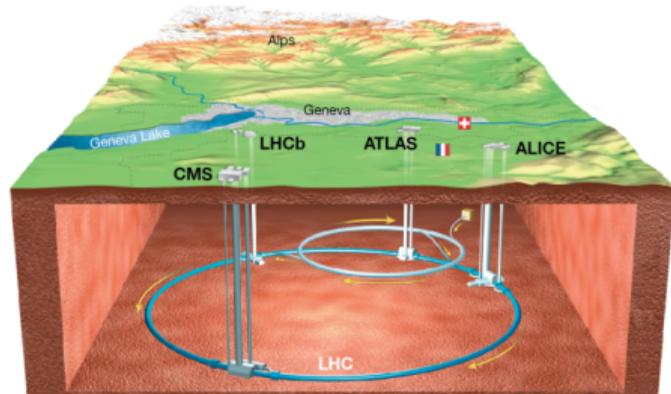


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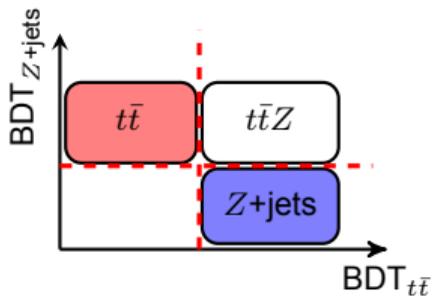
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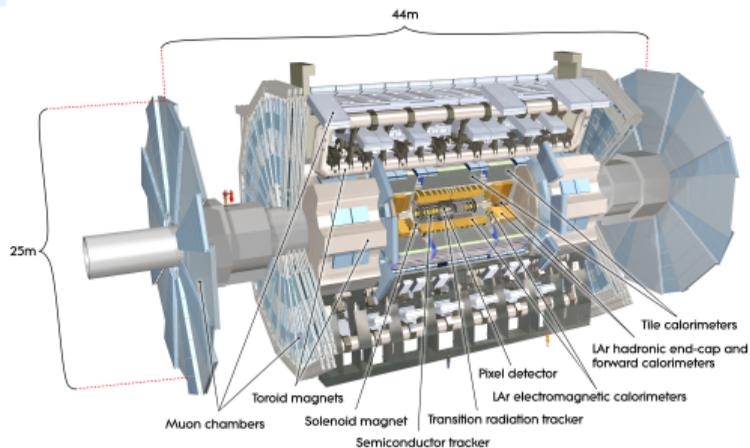
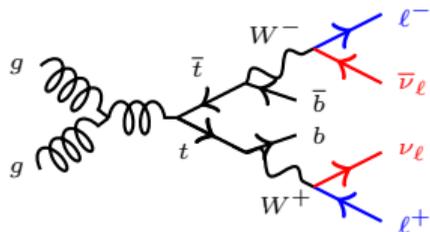
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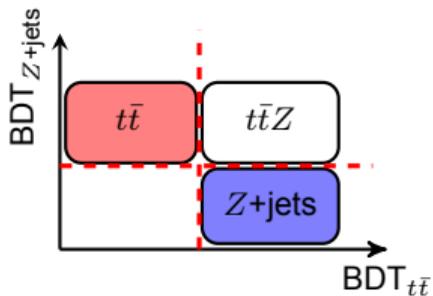
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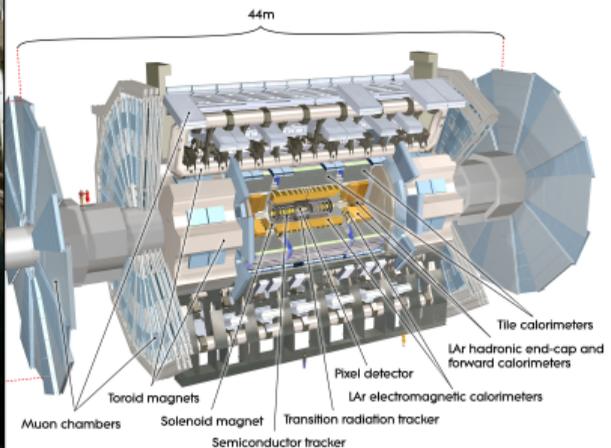
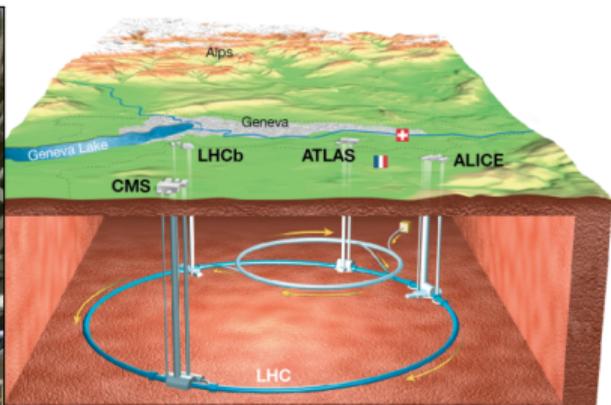
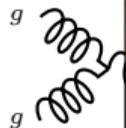
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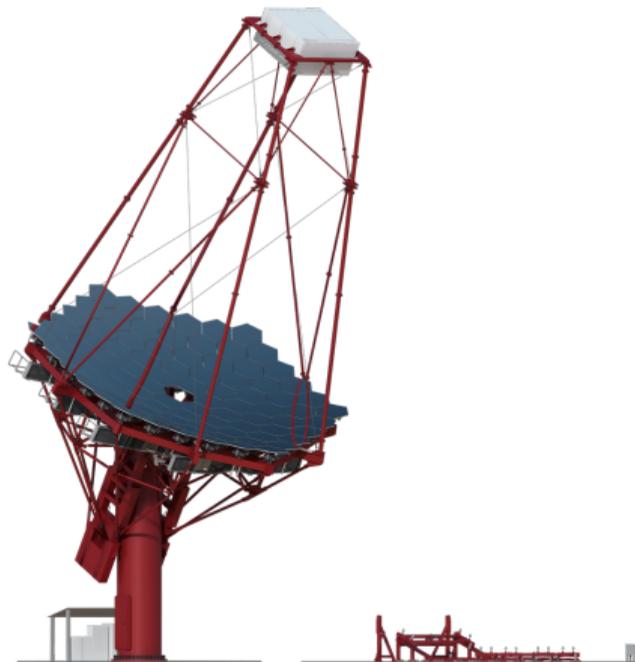


Reconstruction and determination



Future engagement @ DESY

- > Postdoc in the CTAI group
- > Software development and monitoring for MST structure
- > Familiarizing with new environment at the moment
- > Specific projects not yet defined, will come very soon



Apart from work

Interested in many things



Backup



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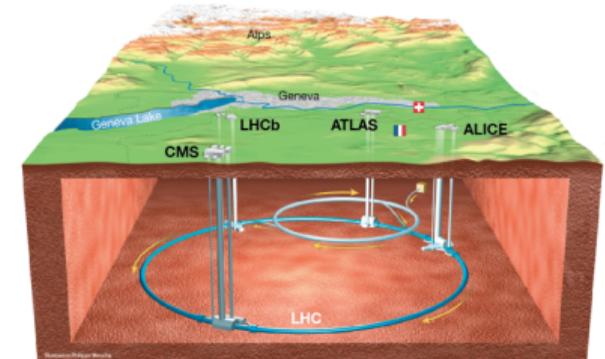


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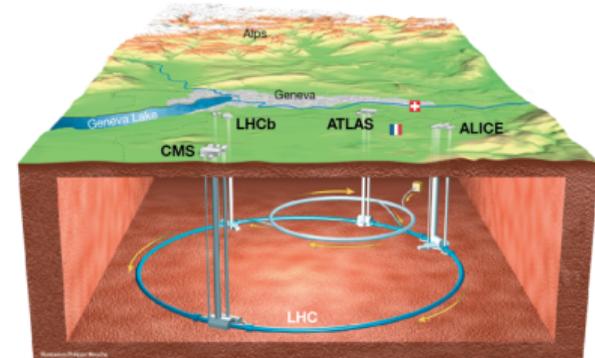
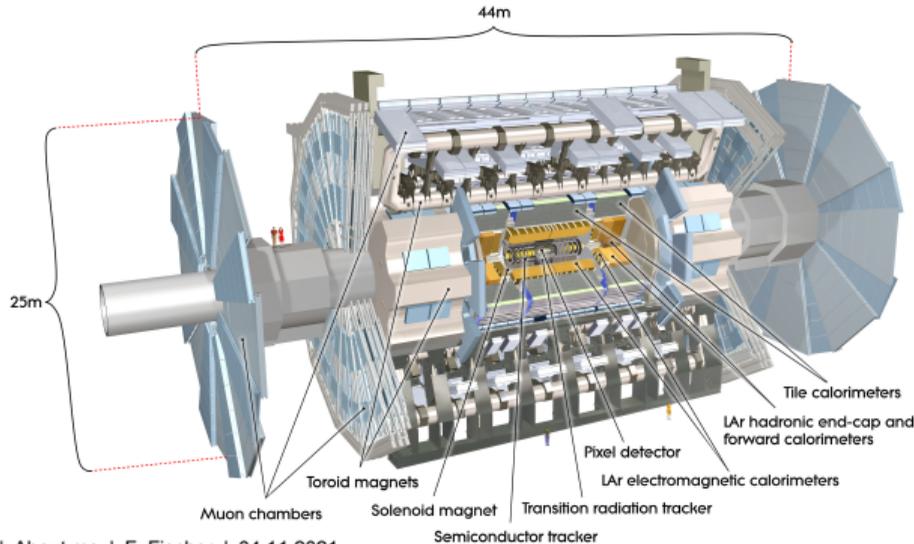


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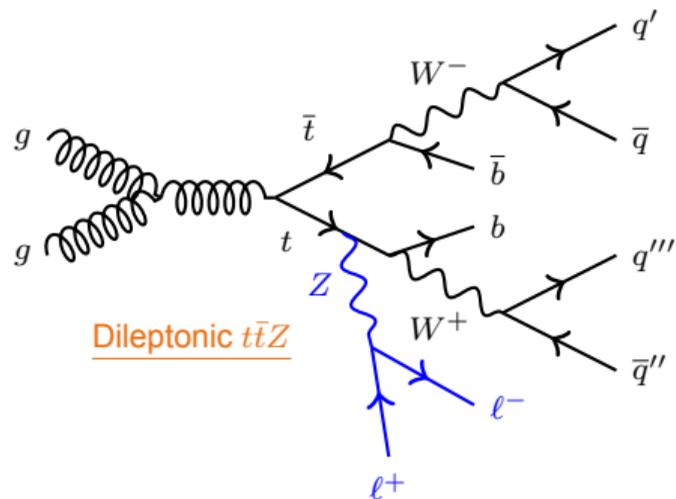
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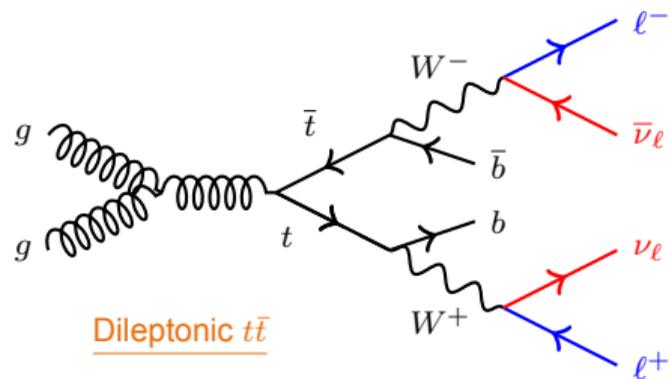
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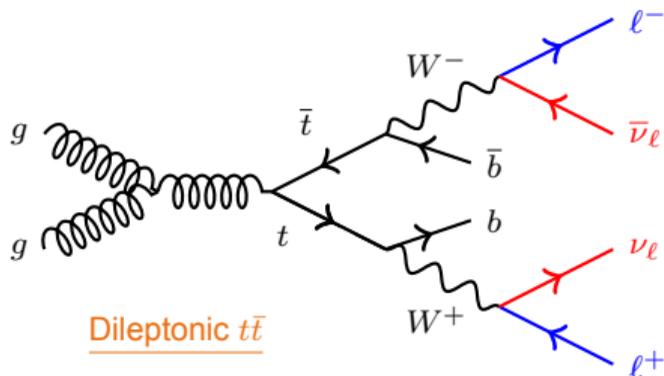
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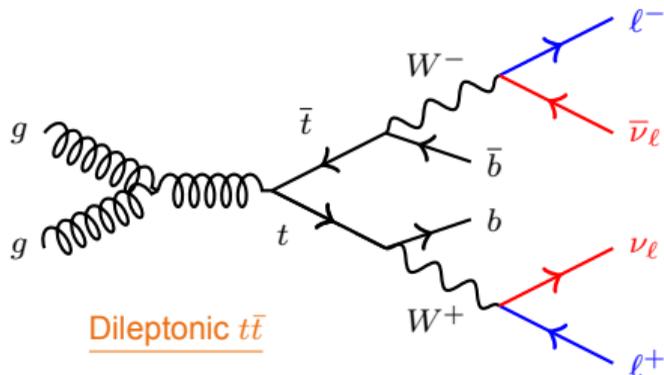


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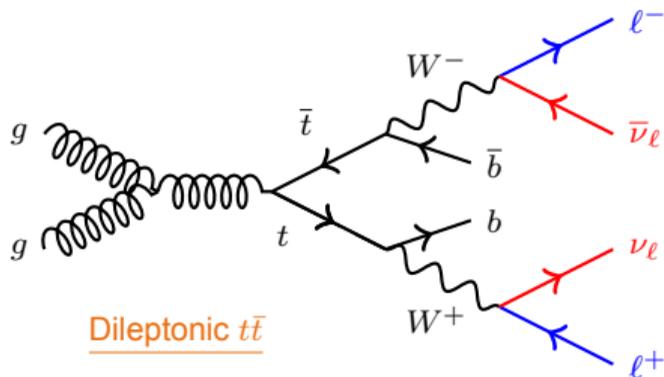
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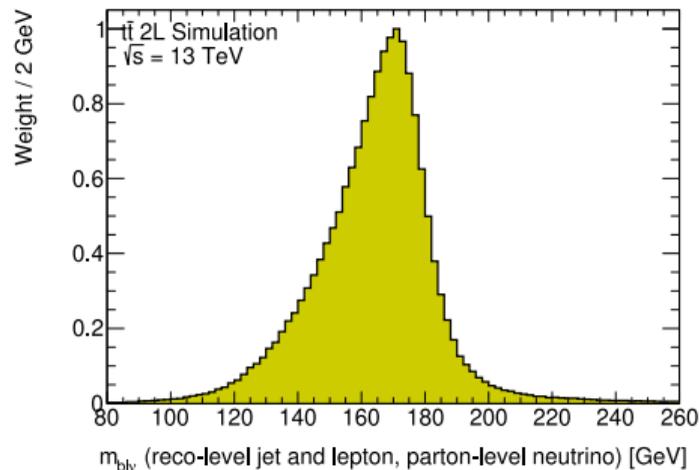


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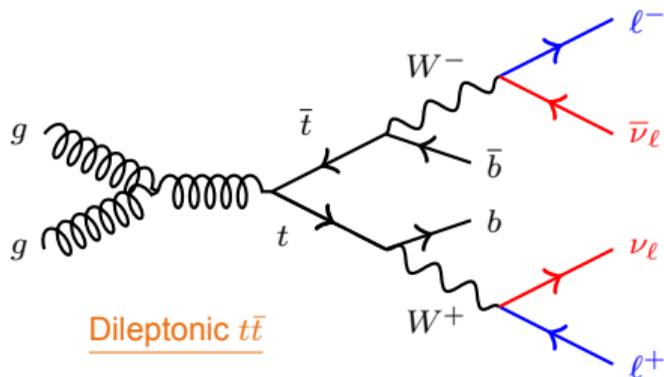
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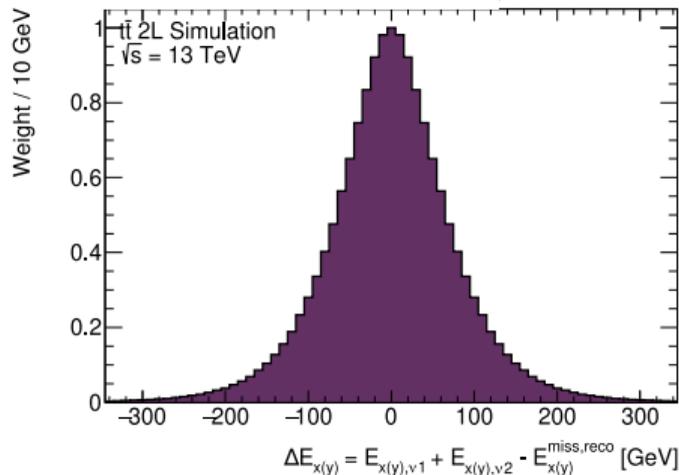


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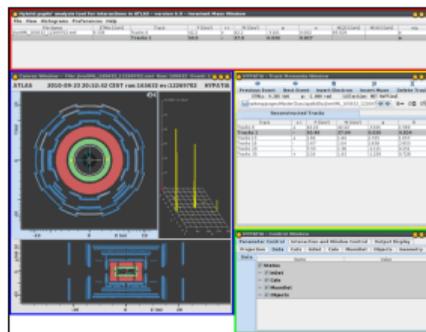
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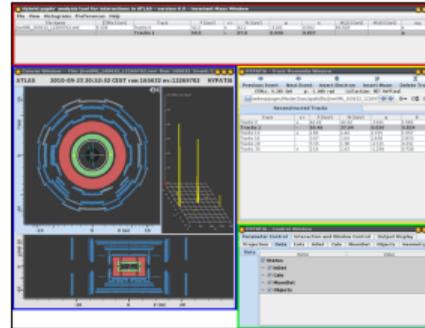
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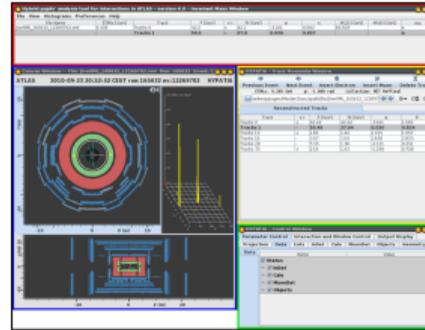
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Top quark pairs in association with a Z boson ($t\bar{t}Z$)

Motivation

- > Sensitive to the t - Z coupling
- > Probing the Standard Model (SM)
- Recent measurements all in agreement with SM:

$$\sigma_{t\bar{t}Z} = 1.05 \pm 0.05 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 0.09 \text{ (syst.) pb}$$

▶ ATLAS-CONF-2020-028

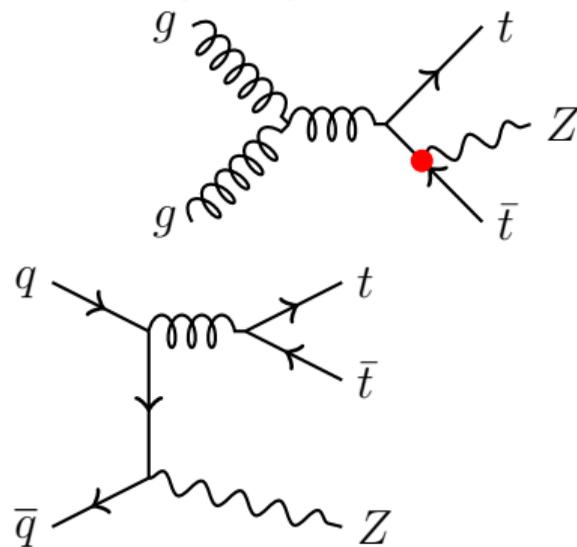
$$\sigma_{t\bar{t}Z} = 0.95 \pm 0.08 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 0.10 \text{ (syst.) pb}$$

▶ Phys.Rev.D 99 (2019) 7, 072009

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▶ JHEP 03 (2020) 056

- > Measurement only at the LHC so far
 - > First observation in 2015 ▶ JHEP 01 (2016) 096
- > $t\bar{t}Z$ states an important background to other rare processes, e.g.
 - > $t\bar{t}H$ measurement
 - > $t\bar{t}$ FCNC or SUSY searches



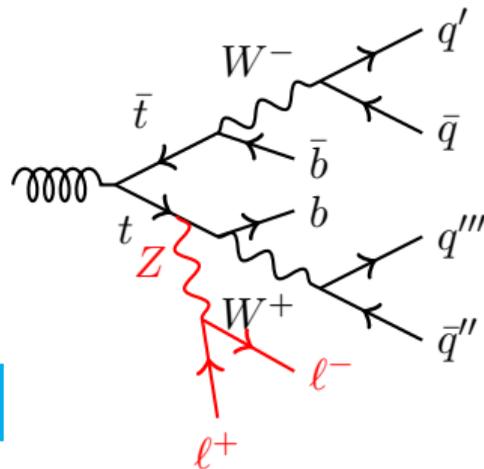
Employed dataset

- > Full LHC Run 2 pp -collision dataset taken by ATLAS
- > $\mathcal{L} = 139 \text{ fb}^{-1}$, $\sqrt{s} = 13 \text{ TeV}$

The $t\bar{t}Z$ dilepton opposite-sign ($2\ell OS$) channel

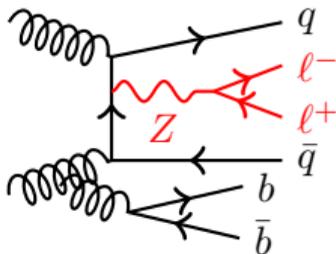
$2\ell OS$ channel characteristics

- > Fully hadronic $t\bar{t}$ decay
 - > High branching fraction
- > Leptonic decay of Z boson
 - > Clean detector signature
- ⇒ Full kinematic reconstruction possible

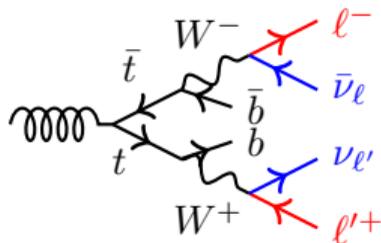


Dominant background processes

Z+jets



Dileptonic $t\bar{t}$



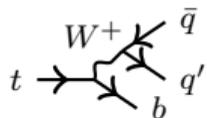
Further backgrounds

- > $t\bar{t}X$ ($X = W, H, \gamma$)
- > VV, VH ($V = Z, W$)
- > tWZ, tZq, Wt

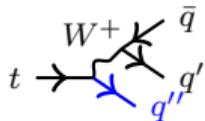
2ℓOS analysis strategy

Targeted phase-space regions

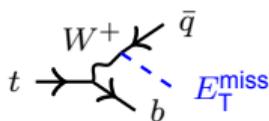
- > Z boson identification:
 - > $Z \rightarrow e^+e^-/\mu^+\mu^-$
 - > $|m_{\ell\ell} - m_Z| < 10 \text{ GeV}$
- > 3 jet scenarios:



(≥ 6 jets, ≥ 2 b-jets)



(≥ 6 jets, 1b-jet)



(5 jets, ≥ 2 b-jets)

MVA strategy

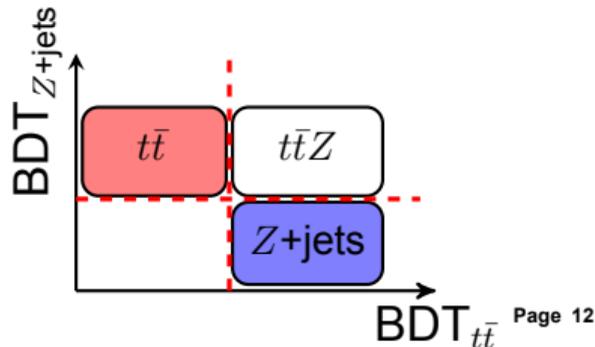
- > Boosted Decision Tree (BDT)
- > Separate training against each **dominant background** for each **target region** → **6 individual BDTs**
- > 2D-selection via combination of BDT outputs
- > Different sets of discriminating variables for given background/target region

Data-driven $t\bar{t}$ estimation

- > Modelling of additional jets associated with large systematic uncertainties
- > Lepton flavour universality:

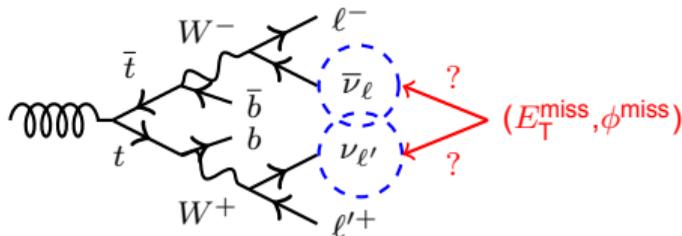
$$N(e^\pm\mu^\mp) \approx N(e^+e^-) + N(\mu^+\mu^-)$$

- > Selected different-flavour data events as a proxy for same-flavour dileptonic $t\bar{t}$
- > Correct for remaining tiny non- $t\bar{t}$ contribution & kinematics check



Two-neutrino scanning method

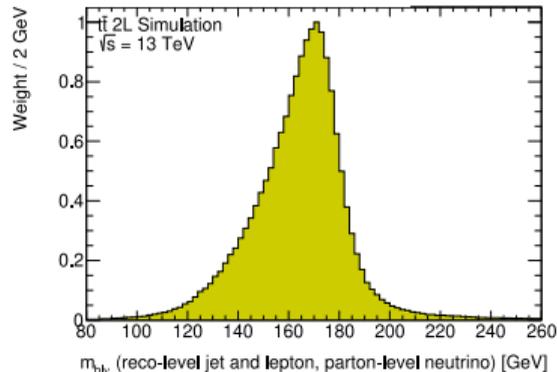
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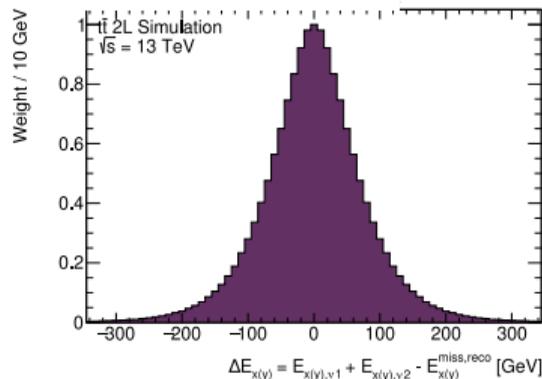
- > Deduce neutrino 4-vectors from missing transverse momentum
- > Systematic scan of η - ϕ -space
 - > Test of different (η, ϕ) -hypotheses
 - > Neutrino p_T derived from W mass constraint
 - > Reconstruction of $t\bar{t}$ system with the help of leptons and b -tagged jets
- > Most probable (η, ϕ) -hypotheses determined via interpolation with truth-matched reference distributions (**top mass**, **ν -energy resolution**)

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Reconstructed top quark mass

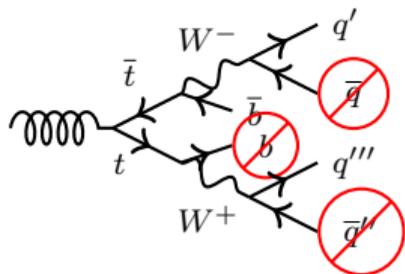


Neutrino energy resolution



Multi-hypothesis hadronic top/ W reconstruction

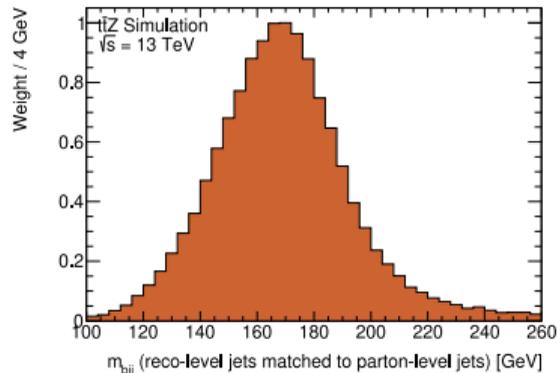
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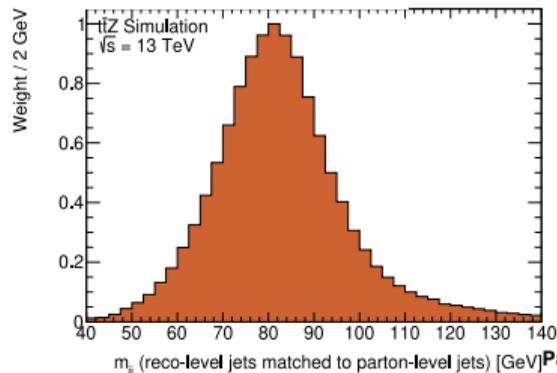
- > Finite energy resolution and limited detector coverage
 - > Not all $t\bar{t}$ -associated jets can be reconstructed
- > Five different hypotheses of the number of missing jets: $t\bar{t}, tW, WW, t, W$
- > Most probable jet-quark assignment determined via interpolation with truth-matched reference distributions (**top mass, W mass**)
- > Reconstruction performed independently for each category

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Reconstructed W boson mass



Two-dimensional signal region optimisation

- > Training and application
- > Combine 1D BDT outputs into 2D-plane
- > Select phase-space regions enriched in

- > $t\bar{t}$
- > $t\bar{t}/Z$ +jets

events based on the purity of the respective process

- > Conceptual model \leftrightarrow reality

