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# 1 MOLBA

#### Naučnom veću Instituta za fiziku u Beogradu

Beograd, 18. januar 2017.

## PREDMET: Molba za pokretanje postupka za sticanje zvanja viši naučni saradnik

Molim Naučno veće Instituta za fiziku da u skladu sa Pravilnikom o postupku i načinu vrednovanja i kvantitativnom iskazivanju naučno-istraživačkih rezultata istraživača pokrene postupak za moj izbor u zvanje viši naučni saradnik.

U prilogu dostavljam:

- mišljenje rukovodioca projekta sa predlogom članova komisije,
- kratku biografiju,
- pregled naučne aktivnosti,
- elemente za kvalitativnu ocenu naučnog doprinosa,
- elemente za kvantitativnu ocenu naučnog doprinosa,
- spisak objavljenih radova i njihove kopije,
- spisak javnih nota ATLAS kolaboracije sa ključnim doprinosom,
- spisak internih nota ATLAS kolaboracije sa ključnim doprinosom,
- spisak indikativnih prezentacija na sastancima ATLAS kolaboracije,
- podatke o citiranosti radova (spisak citata bez autocitata),
- fotokopiju rešenja o prethodnom izboru u zvanje naučni saradnik,
- dodatke.

S poštovanjem,

dr Nenad Vranješ, naučni saradnik

# 2 MIŠLJENJE RUKOVODIOCA PROJEKTA SA PREDLOGOM ČLANOVA KOMISIJE

18. јануар 2017.

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Предмет: Мишљење руководиоца пројекта за избор др Ненада Врањеша у звање виши научни сарадник

#### Поштовани,

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С обзиром да испуњава све услове предвиђене Правилником за изборе у научно-истраживачка звања, велико ми је задовољство да подржим захтев др Ненада Врањеша за покрстање поступка за избор у звање виши научни сарадник.

За чланове комисије за избор др Ненада Врањеша у звање виши научни сарадник предлажем следећи састав:

- 1. Академик проф. др Ђорђе Шијачки, научни саветник, Институт за физику, и редовни члан САНУ;
- 2. др Лидија Живковић, научни саветник, Институт за физику;
- 3. др Магдалена Ђорђевић, научни саветник, Институт за физику;
- 4. проф. др Петар Аџић, редовни професор Физичког факултета;

Руководилац пројекта 171004,

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др Лидија Живковић Научни саветник

## 3 KRATKA BIOGRAFIJA

Nenad Vranješ je rođen 1980. u Beogradu, gde je završio osnovnu školu i gimnaziju. Studije fizike na Fizičkom fakultetu upisao je 1999, a diplomirao je 1. jula 2004. na smeru teorijska i eksperimentalna fizika sa srednjom ocenom 9.44 i ocenom 10 na diplomskom ispitu. Na istom fakultetu 2004. godine upisao je postdiplomske studije na smeru Nuklearna fizika i fizika elementarnih čestica. Položio je sve predviđene ispite sa srednjom ocenom 10, a magistarski rad pod nazivom "Mogućnosti ATLAS detektora za merenje produkcije parova W bozona na Velikom hadronskom kolajderu" odbranio je oktobra 2007. Doktorirao je na Fizičkom fakultetu Univerziteta u Beogradu 11. novembra 2011. sa temom "Traganje za novim teškim naelektrisanim gradijentnim bozonima na ATLAS detektoru (A Search for New Heavy Charged Gauge Bosons at ATLAS)". Doktorska disertacija je realizovana u okviru Sporazuma o zajedničkom mentorstvu nad doktorskim disertacijama izmedju Univerziteta u Beogradu i Nacionalnog i Kapodistrijskog univerziteta u Atini.

Dr Nenad Vranješ radi od 2004. u Laboratoriji za fiziku visokih energija Instituta za fiziku, najpre kao stipendista Ministarstva za nauku, a zatim kao istraživač pripravnik od marta 2005. U zvanje istraživač saradnik izabran je decembra 2008, a u zvanje naučni saradnik izabran je 18. jula 2012. Bio je angažovan na projektima osnovnih istraživanja br. 101488 "Eksperimenti sa elektron-pozitron, proton-proton i jezgro-jezgro sudarima na visokim energijama", potom na projektu br. 141037 "Precizna merenja parametara Standardnog modela i traganje za novim česticama na ATLAS eksperimentu", a od 1. januara 2011. angažovan na projektu br. 171004 "ATLAS eksperiment i fizika čestica na Velikom hadronskom sudaraču". U periodu 2011-2014. bio je na postdoktorskom usavršavanju u francuskom institutu CEA-Saclay, pritom baziran u CERN-u. U novembru 2014. godine Nenad Vranješ se vratio u Srbiju i trenutno radi kao naučni saradnik u Institutu za fiziku u Beogradu.

# 4 PREGLED NAUČNE AKTIVNOSTI

Tokom svoje dosadašnje karijere, dr Nenad Vranješ je bio uključen u nekoliko istraživačkih projekata vezanih za eksperiment ATLAS na Velikom sudaraču hadrona (*Large Hadron Collider*, *LHC*) u CERN-u. Ovi projekti su se odnosili na merenje parametara Standardnog modela (SM), kao i na direktne potrage za novim česticama čije postojanje predviđaju različiti fenomenološki modeli koji predstavljaju proširenje Standardnog modela. Tokom rada na ovim projektima imao je priliku da razmenjuje iskustva sa kolegama širom sveta, pokazuje inicijativu, učestvuje u planiranju budućih istraživačkih aktivnosti, kao i da rukovodi radom mlađih kolega.

Dosadašnji rezultati odnose se na sledeće aktivnosti:

- $\bullet$  precizna merenja mase W bozona, mase Higsovog bozona i mase top kvarka i kalibracija impulsa miona na detektoru ATLAS;
- traganje za novim teškim naelektrisanim gradijentnim bozonima;
- apsolutna kalibracija izmerene luminoznosti na detektoru ATLAS.

# $\bullet$ Precizna merenja mas<br/>eW bozona, mase Higsovog bozona i mase top kvarka i kalibracija impulsa mi<br/>ona na detektoru ATLAS

Prva tema istraživanja odnosi se na merenje mase W bozona u Drell-Yan produkciji kroz leptonske kanale raspada. Masa W bozona se na hadronskim sudaračima meri koristeći karakteristične opservable kao što su transverzalni impuls leptona i transverzalna masa lepton-neutrino sistema. Na masu W bozona utiču drugi paramatri Standardnog modela: kroz korekcije višeg reda masa W bozona zavisi od mase top kvarka i mase Higsovog bozona, a takođe mogu uticati i korekcije koje potiču od čestica čije postojanje predviđaju teoretski modeli izvan SM. U kontekstu globalnog fita parametara SM, ograničenja na fazni prostor fizike izvan SM su pre svega uslovljena preciznošću poznavanja mase W bozona, pa je poboljšanje preciznosti od ključnog značaja za testiranje konzistentnosti SM. Ovo merenje je izuzetno kompleksno i potrebno je dostići ekstremnu preciznost od 0.01%. U okviru pomenute tematike dr N.Vranješ je radio na kalibraciji impulsa miona, merenju efikasnosti rekonstrukcije i trigerovanja miona, kalibraciji hadronskog uzmaka (nedostajuće transverzalne energije), selekciji događaja od interesa, proceni neodređenosti usled fonskih procesa. Treba napomenuti da je kalibracija impulsa leptona najkritičnija komponenta merenja mase W bozona na hadronskim sudaračima. Takođe, radio je i na merenju karakteristika Z bozona u cilju testiranja izvedenih eksperimentalnih korekcija i teorijskog modelovanja produkcije W bozona, kao i konačnoj ekstrakciji mase W bozona iz postojećih podataka. Kandidat je u saradnji sa drugim kolegom iz CEA-Saclay napisao i celokupni programski okvir za analizu događaja. Preliminarni rezultati dobijeni podacima iz proton-proton sudara prikupljenim tokom 2011. godine objavljeni su u jednoj javnoj noti ATLAS kolaboracije:

ATLAS Collaboration, Measurement of the W-boson mass in pp collisions at  $\sqrt{s} = 7$  TeV with the ATLAS detector, ATLAS-CONF-2016-113, CERN (2016).

Dobijeni rezultat po preciznosti  $\pm 19$  MeV odgovara najpreciznijim rezultatima merenja do danas ostvarenim na eksperimentima CDF i D0 na sudaraču Tevatron, dok je srednja vrednost kompatibilna sa trenutnom svetskom srednjom vrednošću kao i poslednjim teorijskim predviđanjem. Publikovanje konačnih rezultata (iste ili nešto bolje preciznosti) u časopisu očekuje se tokom 2017. Tokom rada na ovoj problematici izučavane su i neodređenosti usled teorijskog modelovanja produkcije i raspada W bozona. Dr. Vranješ je bio zadužen za procenu uticaja eksperimentalnih efekata usled rezolucije leptona i nedostajuće energije. Rezultat je objavljen u sledećoj javnoj noti:

# ATLAS Collaboration, Studies of theoretical uncertainties on the measurement of the mass of the W boson at the LHC, ATL-PHYS-PUB-2014-015, CERN, (2014).

U okviru ove aktivnosti kalibracija impulsa miona i ograničenje sistematskih neodređenosti koje proizilaze iz toga je od ključnog značaja za postizanje odgovaraće preciznosti merenja. Rekonstrukcija miona u simuliranim događajima je korigovana kako bi se poklopila sa skalom i rezolucijom izmerenim u realnim događajima. U ovu svrhu korišćeni su kalibracioni uzorci dobro izučenih procesa velike statistike: produkcija  $J/\psi$  mezona i produkcija Z bozona i njihovi raspadi na parove miona. Analizirani podaci su prikupljeni tokom prve faze rada LHC-a (Run-I), 2011. i 2012. Dr Vranješ je bio među prvim iztraživačima koji su koristili  $J/\psi$  događaje za kalibraciju impulsa miona na eksperimentu ATLAS. Velika statistika i kinematičke karakteristike ovih događaja omogućavaju korigovanje efekata lokalizovanih u prostoru, što je od ključnog značaja za merenje mase Higsovog bozona u četvoroleptonskom kanalu gde je statistika signala veoma mala. Korekcije su izvedene nezavisno sa mione izmerene u unutrašnjem detektoru i mionskom spektrometru ATLAS detektora, iz fita invarijantih masa dve rezonance, kao i razlike izmerenog impulsa u ova navedena dva podsistema. Eksploatacija razlike izmerenih impulsa omogućila je mapiranje korekcije energetskih gubitaka prolaska miona kroz kalorimetre. Pokazano je da su korekcije energetskih gubitaka približno 1% ukupnih energetskih gubitaka miona prilikom prolaska kroz kalorimetre i neaktivan materijal ispred mionskog spektrometra. Rezultati su kompatibilni sa raspodelom materijala u simulaciji detektora zasnovanoj na GEANT 4 simulacijama. Navedena procedura kalibracije impulsa miona predstavlja značajan napredak u odnosu na prethodne rezultate na eksperimentu u kinematičkom opsegu tranverzalnog impulsa miona vrednosti izmedju 6 GeV i 100 GeV. Svi ovi rezultati su dokumentovani u jednom radu ATLAS kolaboracije objavljenom u vrhunskom međunarodnom časopisu:

Aad, G., ..., Vranjes N., et al. [ATLAS Collaboration], Measurement of the muon reconstruction performance of the ATLAS detector using 2011 and 2012 LHC proton-proton collision data, Eur.Phys.J. C74 (2014) no.11, 3130, arXiv:1407.3935 [hep-ex].

N.Vranješ je bio jedan od editora navedene publikacije. Pored ovih aktivnosti radio je na proceni neodređenosti raspodele materijala u unutrašnjem detektoru korišćenjem metoda viešestrukog rasejanja miona, kao i proceni efekata uticaja pozicioniranja detektorskih elemenata na izmereni impuls tragova. Netačan opis pozicije detektorskih elemenata u simulaciji detektora vodi pogrešnom merenju sagite, pa je korigovanje ovog efekta kao i procena povezanih sistematskih neodređenosti veoma značajana za merenje mase W bozona na LHC-u usled različitog uticaja na pozitivno i negativno naelektrisane mione. Uračunavanje uticaja pogrešnog merenja sagite je od značaja i za merenje preseka Z bozona u zavisnosti od invarijantne mase dileptonskog para, rapiditeta Z bozona i ugla u Kolin-Soper sistemu reference (trostruko diferencijalno merenje preseka za produkciju Z bozona). N. Vranješ učestvuje i u ovoj studiji dokumentovanoj u sledećoj internoj noti:

L. J. Armitage,..., N. Vranjes, et al., Measurement of the Drell-Yan triple-differential crosssection in pp collisions at  $\sqrt{s} = 8$  TeV, ATL-COM-PHYS-2015-1575

Publikovanje rezultata trostrukog diferencijalnog merenja u časopisu očekuje se tokom ove godine, a dobijeni rezultati imaće uticaj na buduća merenja mase W bozona na LHC-u.

Ostvareni rezultati se nadovezuju na aktivnost pre izbora u prethodno zvanje kada je kandidat radio na izučavanju karakteristika rekonstruisanih miona poređenjem eksperimentalnih podataka sa predviđanjima Monte Karlo simulacija. Sa prvim podacima iz proton-proton sudara na LHC-u sakupljenim tokom 2009. godine ne energiji  $\sqrt{s} = 0.9$  TeV i  $\sqrt{s} = 2.36$  TeV analizirani su karakteristični spektri miona. Rezultati su prikazani u jednom kolaboracijskom radu:

G. Aad,...,N. Vranjes et al. [ATLAS Collaboration], Performance of the ATLAS Detector using First Collision Data, JHEP, 1009, 056 (2010) 65p; arXiv:1005.5254 [hep-ex].

Precizno merenje impulsa miona i ograničenje eksperimantalnih neodređenosti je od ključnog značaja za merenje mase Higsovog bozona, merenje jačina sprezanja sa drugim česticama kao i merenje preseka za produkciju Higsovog bozona na LHC-u. Za ove studije analizirani su podaci iz *pp* sudara prikupljeni tokom perioda *Run-I*. Izmerena masa Higsovog bozona u četvoroleptonskom kanalu (4 miona, 4 elektrona i dva miona i dva elektrona) sa relativnom preciznošću 0.3% je zasnovana na unapređenoj impulsnoj skali leptona. Zahvaljujući preciznoj kalibraciji impulsa leptona u konačnom rezultatu mase Higsa dominira statistička neodređenost, dok u drugim merenjima pored statističke od značaja su jedino teorijske neodređenosti. Rezultati su objavljeni u tri rada u vrhunskim časopisima:

- Aad, G., ..., Vranjes N., et al. [ATLAS Collaboration], Measurement of the Higgs boson mass from the  $H \to \gamma \gamma$  and  $H \to ZZ^* \to 4\ell$  channels with the ATLAS detector using 25 fb<sup>-1</sup> of pp collision data, Phys.Rev. D90 (2014) no.5, 052004, arXiv:1406.3827 [hep-ex],

- Aad, G., ..., Vranjes N., et al. [ATLAS Collaboration], Measurements of Higgs boson production and couplings in the four-lepton channel in pp collisions at center-of-mass energies of 7 and 8 TeV with the ATLAS detector, Phys.Rev. D91 (2015) no.1, 012006, arXiv:1408.5191 [hep-ex],

- Aad, G., ..., Vranjes N., et al. [ATLAS Collaboration], Fiducial and differential cross sections of Higgs boson production measured in the four-lepton decay channel in pp collisions at  $\sqrt{s}=8$  TeV with the ATLAS detector, Phys.Lett. B738 (2014) 234-253, arXiv:1408.3226 [hep-ex].

U januaru 2016. godine dr N. Vranješ izabran je za člana recenzentskog tima za studiju koja se bavi merenjem mase top kvarka u događajima sa dva leptona korišćenjem podataka iz pp sudara

na energiji  $\sqrt{s} = 8$  TeV. Dobijeni rezultat predstavlja prvo merenje mase top kvarka ATLAS kolaboracije sa pomenutim podacima. U okviru ATLAS kolaboracije, recenzentski tim zajedno sa autorima ima odgovornost da proizvede i objavi naučnu publikaciju vrhunskog kvaliteta. U poređenju sa prethodnim merenjem mase top kvarka na eksperimentu selekcija događaja je unapređena korišćenjem srednje vrednosti lepton-*b*jet sistema kako bi se uvećao udeo tačno rekonstruisanih događaja i posledično smanjile sistematske neodređenosti. Neodređenost izmerene vrednosti mase top kvarka iznosi 0.84 GeV, dok je kombinovanjem sa prethodnim rezultatim postignuta ukupna neodredjenost 0.7 GeV, odnosno 0.4% relativne preciznosti. Po završetku ove studije rezultati su prezentovani na više vodećih međunarodnih konferencija i objavljeni u prestižnom međunarodnom časopisu:

Aaboud, M., ..., Vranjes N., et al. [ATLAS Collaboration], Measurement of the top quark mass in the  $t\bar{t} \rightarrow dilepton$  channel from  $\sqrt{s} = 8$  TeV ATLAS data, Phys.Lett. B761 (2016) 350-371, arXiv:1606.02179 [hep-ex].

Od januara 2017. N.Vranješ je izabran za člana recenzentskog tima za studiju koja se bavi merenjem mase Higsovog bozona u četvoroleptonskom kanalu sa podacima prikupljenim tokom 2015. i 2016. (*Run-II*). Očekivano je poboljšanje preciznosti merenja sobzirom na veću prikupljenu statistiku u odnosu na podatke iz *Run-I*.

Pre izbora u prethodno zvanje, na početku rada LHC-a, N. Vranješ je takođe radio na izučavanju mogućnosti ATLAS detektora za merenje produkcije para W bozona pomoću Monte Karlo simulacija. Detaljno izučavanje ovog procesa omogućava testiranje neabelove gradijentne strukture Standardnog modela i postavljanje granice za trostruka anomalna sprezanja gradijentnih bozona WWZ i  $WW\gamma$ . Eventualno odstupanje od predviđanja Standardnog modela bi indirektno ukazalo na postojanje novih fenomena na višoj energetskoj skali od direktno dostupne na LHC-u. Određene su karakteristike ATLAS detektora za rekonstrukciju osnovnih objekata (elektrona, miona, džetova i nedostajuće transverzalne energije) koji su karakteristični za leptonski kanal raspada W para i predložen je osnovni skup kinematičkih ograničenja koji omogućava efikasno izdvajanje WW signala od dominantnih fonskih procesa. Rezultati su objavljeni u dve javne note ATLAS kolaboracije i u jednom radu u međunarodnom časopisu:

- K.Bachas,..., Lj. Simic, D.S.Popovic,..., N. Vranjes et al., *Diboson physics studies*, ATL-PHYS-PUB-2009-038; publikovano i u monografiji: Detector, Trigger and Physics", CERN-OPEN-2008-020, ISBN 978-92-9083-321-5, arXiv:0901.0512 [hep-ex], 1852 p. (2008).

- Lj. Simic, I. Mendas, N. Vranjes, D.S.Popović, *Prospects for Measuring Triple Gauge Boson Couplings in WW Production at the LHC*, ATL-PHYS-PUB-2006-011, CERN (2006).

- Lj. Simic, N.Vranjes, D.Reljić, D.Vudragović, D.S.Popović, WW Production and Triple Gauge Boson Couplings at ATLAS, Acta Physica Polonica B, 38 525 (2007).

Navedeni rezultati su prikazani i na nekoliko međunarodnih i domaćih konferencija.

#### • Traganje za novim teškim gradijentnim bozonima

Postoji jaka teorijska motivacija da se novi fenomeni, čije postojanje ne predviđa Standardni model, mogu očekivati na TeV energetskoj skali koja se može direktno izučavati na LHC-u. Jedno moguće proširenje Standardnog modela je proširenje njegove gradijentne grupe  $SU(3)_c \otimes$  $SU(2)_L \otimes U(1)_Y$ , koje u nekim fenomenološkim modelima dovodi do postojanja novih (teških) gradijentnih bozona: naelektrisanih W' i neutralnih Z'. U okviru Exotics Lepton+X grupe N. Vranješ je radio na potrazi za W' bozonom koji se raspada na lepton i neutrino. Rezultati su dobijeni analiziranjem podataka iz proton-proton sudara na energiji od  $\sqrt{s} = 7$  TeV i  $\sqrt{s} = 8$  TeV prikupljenim na eksperimentu ATLAS tokom 2011. i 2012, koji redom odgovaraju integralnoj luminoznosti od 4.7 fb<sup>-1</sup> i 20.3 fb<sup>-1</sup>. Osnov za potragu čini model u kome novi gradijentni bozoni imaju ista sprezanja sa fermionima kao W i Z bozoni iz Standardnog modela. Pored navedenog modela, razmatran je još jedan model ( $W^*$ ) u kome novi naelektrisani gradijentni bozon predstavlja naelektrisanog partnera kiralnog bozona. U radovima u kojima je N. Vranješ dao ključni doprinos ustanovljeno je da je masa W' veća od 3.24 TeV na nivou poverenja 95%, čime je u energetskom domenu dostupnom na LHC-u data značajna potvrda Standardnog modela, i postavljena su nova ograničenja na odgovarajuće alternativne modele fizike elementarnih čestica. U traganju za  $W^*$  bozonom postavljena je donja granica na njegovu masu od 3.21 TeV na nivou poverenja 95%. U okviru efektivne teorije polja postavljena su ograničenja na presek za interakciju hipotetičkih čestica tamne materije sa nukleonima, kao i na masenu skalu nove nepoznate interakcije kroz koju bi se parovi čestica tamne materije proizvodili zajedno sa Wbozonom koji bi se raspadao leptonski.

Dobijeni rezultati predstavljeni su u dva kolaboracijska rada objavljena u vrhunskim međunarodnim časopisima:

- Aad, G., ..., Vranjes N., et al. [ATLAS Collaboration], Search for new particles in events with one lepton and missing transverse momentum in pp collisions at  $\sqrt{s} = 8$  TeV with the ATLAS detector, JHEP 1409 (2014) 037, arXiv:1407.7494 [hep-ex],

- Aad, G., ..., Vranjes N., et al. [ATLAS Collaboration], ATLAS search for a heavy gauge boson decaying to a charged lepton and a neutrino in pp collisions at  $\sqrt{s}=7$  TeV, Eur.Phys.J. C72 (2012) 2241, arXiv:1209.4446 [hep-ex].

Kao jedan od najkompetentnijih istraživača N.Vranješ je bio editor rada JHEP 1409 (2014) 037. Rezultati pre prethodnog izbora u zvanje, zatim rezultati sa Monte Karlo simulacijama, kao i preliminarni rezultati kolaboracije, objavljeni su u vrhunski međunarodnom časopisima i većem broju javnih nota ATLAS kolaboracije:

- G. Aad,...,N. Vranjes et al. [ATLAS Collaboration], Search for a heavy gauge boson decaying to a charged lepton and a neutrino in 1 fb<sup>-1</sup> of pp collisions at  $\sqrt{s} = 7$  TeV using the ATLAS detector, Physics Letters B **705**, 28-46 (2011) arXiv:1108.1316 [hep-ex]

- G. Aad,..., N. Vranjes et al. [ATLAS Collaboration], Search for high-mass states with one lepton

plus missing transverse momentum in proton-proton collisions at  $\sqrt{s} = 7$  TeV with the ATLAS detector, Physics Letters B **701**, 50-69 (2011) arXiv:1103.1391 [hep-ex].

- ATLAS Collaboration, Search for high-mass states with one lepton plus missing transverse momentum in pp collisions at  $\sqrt{s} = 8$  TeV with the ATLAS detector, ATLAS-CONF- 2014-017, CERN (2014).

- ATLAS Collaboration, Search for high-mass states with one muon plus missing transverse momentum in proton-proton collisions at  $\sqrt{s}=7$  TeV with the ATLAS detector, ATLAS-CONF-2011-082, CERN (2011).

- ATLAS Collaboration, Physics potential of Z' and W' searches with the ATLAS Detector as a function of the LHC center-of-mass energy, ATL-PHYS-PUB-2011-002, CERN (2011).

- ATLAS Collaboration, Search for high-mass states with electron plus missing transverse energy using the ATLAS Detector at  $\sqrt{s}=7TeV$ , ATLAS-CONF-2010-089, CERN (2010).

- ATLAS Collaboration, ATLAS sensitivity prospects to W' and Z' at 7 TeV, ATL-PHYS-PUB-2010-007, CERN (2010).

- D.L.Adams, D.Fassouliotis, C.Kourkoumelis, B.R.Mellado Garcia, M.I.Pedraza Morales, N.Vranjes, S.L.Wu, *Lepton plus missing transverse energy signals at high mass*, ATL-PHYS-PUB-2009-07; publikovano i u monografiji: Detector, Trigger and Physics", CERN-OPEN-2008-020, ISBN 978-92-9083-321-5, arXiv:0901.0512 [hep-ex], 1852 p. (2008).

Rezultati su prikazani i na međunarodnim konferencijama. Na konferenciji "LHC on the March" u Protvinu N. Vranješ je sumirao celokupne rezultate kolaboracije koji se odnose na potrage za novim česticama:

N.Vranjes on behalf of ATLAS Collaboration, Exotic Searches in ATLAS, PoS(IHEP- LHC-2011)021, ATL-PHYS-PROC-2012-040, arXiv:1202.3171[hep-ex], LHC on the March, November 16-18, 2011, Protvino, Moscow region, Russian Federation.

#### • Apsolutna kalibracija izmerene luminoznosti na detektoru ATLAS

Nakon povratka u Srbiju N. Vranješ je, u cilju jačanja prepoznatljivosti beogradske ATLAS grupe, započeo aktivnost na apsolutnoj kalibraciji izmerene luminoznosti na detektoru ATLAS u okviru grupe za pripremu podataka (*Data Preparation*). Precizno poznavanje integralne luminoznosti je od vitalnog značaja kako za precizna marenja na eksperimentu, tako i za potrage za novim česticama gde je potrebno tačno proceniti nivo fonskih procesa. U svrhu apsolutne kalibracije koriste se podaci iz specijalih sudara protona pri kojima su snopovi protona separisani. Dr Vranješ je radio na analizi podataka prikupljenih na energijama 8 i 13 TeV prikupljenih tokom 2012, 2015. i 2016. Pored merenja vidljivog preseka za dvadesetak algoritama zasnovanih na podacima iz nekoliko luminometera različite tehnologije, analizirane su i različite sistematske

neodređenisti povezane sa ovom procedurom. U podacima iz 2012. re-evaluiran je nivo fona koji potiče od sudara, kao i sistematske neodređenosti vezane za izbor empirijske funkcije koja opisuje presek interakcije u zavisnosti od veličine separacije snopova. Rezultati su deo publikacije:

Aaboud, M., ..., Vranjes N., et al. [ATLAS Collaboration], Luminosity determination in pp collisions at  $\sqrt{s} = 8$  TeV using the ATLAS detector at the LHC, Eur.Phys.J. C76 (2016) no.12, 653, arXiv:1608.03953 [hep-ex].

Pored ovih studija u 2015. i 2016. učinjen je značajan napor kako bi se uzeli u obzir različiti efekti koji se odnose na neodređenost pozicije protonskog snopa usled elektromagnetnih defleksija i transverzalnih driftova. Pored podataka relevantnih za kalibraciju luminoznosti na ATLAS-u, analizirani su podaci iz sudara sa različitim uglovima sudara snopova i različitim vrednostima emitanse snopova. Dobijeni rezultati su relevantni za planiranje radnih parametara celokupnog LHC-a tokom 2017. i 2018. godine do kraja *Run-II*.

Dr Nenad Vranješ takođe ima značajno iskustvo u rukovođenju radom mlađih kolega. Bio je rukovodilac master rada studentkinje Milene Bajić pod naslovom "Produkcija parova gradijentnih bozona u proton-proton sudarima na  $\sqrt{s} = 100$  TeV" odbranjenom na Departmanu za fiziku Prirodno-matematičkog fakulteta Univerziteta u Novom Sadu juna 2015. godine. Koleginica Bajić je sada student doktorskih studija na Institutu Nils Bor u Kopenhagenu, a svoju doktorsku disertaciju radi na eksperimentu ATLAS. U toku svog postdoktorskog usavršavanja u CEA-Saclay, i nakon toga, dr N. Vranješ je pratio rad dvoje studenata na doktorskim studijama Univerziteta Paris-Saclay: Remmie Hanna (doktorirala 2015) i Oleha Kivernyuka (doktorat odbranjen 2016). Mentor je doktorske disertacije Aleksandre Dimitrievske na temi "Measurement of the W boson mass and the calibration of the muon momentum with the ATLAS detector" (*Merenje mase W bozona i kalibracija impulsa miona na detektoru ATLAS*). Odbrana doktorske disertacije na Fizičkom fakulteta Univerziteta u Beogradu planira se u prvoj polovini 2017. godine.

U periodu 2008-2010. godine dr Nenad Vranješ redovno je držao seminare studentima Fizičkog fakulteta u okviru predmeta Fizika elementarnih čestica i Seminar savremene fizike, na eksperimentalnom B smeru. Aktivno je učestvovao u organizaciji izložbe "LHC, Veliki hadronski sudarač" 2008. godine u SANU. Takođe je učestvovao u realizaciji Programa podsticanja aktivnosti naučnih i stručnih društava, u funkciji unapređivanja naučnoistraživačkog rada, promocije i popularizacije nauke: "Veb stranica o Velikom hardonskom kolajderu u CERN-u popularizacija fizike elementarnih čestica putem interneta". Nekoliko godina učestvovao je u organizaciji međunarodnog Masterclass programa za učenike i nastavnike srednjih škola u Srbiji pod pokroviteljstvom IPPOG (*International Particle Physics Outreach Group*). Učestvovao je i u seminaru za nastavnike fizike u Institutu za fiziku 2015. godine.

# 5 ELEMENTI ZA KVALITATIVNU OCENU NAUČNOG DO-PRINOSA

#### 5.1 Kvalitet naučnih rezultata

Značaj radova u kojima je kandidat dao ključni doprinos odnosi se pre svega na testiranje konzistentnosti Standardnog modela, kroz merenje mase W bozona, Higsovog bozona i mase top kvarka, kao i produkcije i sprezanja Higsovog bozona. Ove teme predstavljaju jedne od ključnih tačaka programa eksperimenta ATLAS, na kome je kandidat angažovan. Merenje mase W bozona na hadronskom sudaraču predstavlja poseban izazov, i prvo je takvo merenje na LHC-u. Po preciznosti merenje je uporedivo sa merenjima na sudaraču Tevatron, gde je eksperimentima bilo potrebno značajno duže vreme za ostvarivanje rezultata sa sličnom preciznošću. Rezultati merenja mase Higsovog bozona i mase top kvarka su relevantni za testiranje konzistentnosti SM i važan korak ka konačnoj preciznosti koja će biti ostvarena u merenju navedenih parametara SM. Rezultati koje je kandidat ostvario u okviru *Muon Combined Performance*, kao i *Luminosity Task Force* grupe su od značaja za celokupni program ATLAS eksperimenta.

Dr Nenad Vranješ je u svom dosadašnjem naučnom radu dao ključni doprinos u dvanaest radova u međunarodnim časopisima sa ISI liste, od čega jedanaest kategorije M21 ili M21a i jedan kategorije M23, kao i u tri rada kategorije M24 (međunarodni časopisi priznati posebnom odlukom MNO). Na međunarodnim skupovima imao je četiri predavanja po pozivu štampana u celini (M31), četiri saopštenja kategorije M33 (štampanih u celini) i dva saopštenja kategorije M34 (štampanih u izvodima), a na nacionalnim skupovima ima dva saopštenja kategorije M63 (štampanih u celini). Kandidat je koautor ukupno 574 rada objavljena u međunarodnim časopisima.

<u>Nakon prethodnog izbora u zvanje</u>, dr Nenad Vranješ je imao ključni doprinos u osam radova u međunarodnim časopisima sa ISI liste. Svi navedeni radovi pripadaju kategoriji M21 ili M21a. Na međunarodnim skupovima imao je dva predavanja po pozivu štampana u celini (M31) i dva saopštenja kategorije M63 (štampana u celini).

Svi radovi su objavljeni u časopisima sa visokim impakt faktorima (>4). Kolaboracijski radovi u kojima je dr N. Vranješ dao ključni doprinos objavljeni su u *Physics Letters B* (najveći IF 6.019), *Physical Review D* (IF 4.864), *European Physical Journal C* (IF 5.247) i *Journal of High Energy Physics* (IF 6.220). Uticajnost ovih radova se vidi po kvalitetu časopisa, kao i po citiranosti.

Prema bazi Web of Science, naučni radovi u kojima je dr Nenad Vranješ imao ključni doprinos citirani su preko 200 puta ne računajući autocitate. Prema bazi *inSPIRE* ovi radovi su citirani preko 500 puta ne računajući autocitate. Ukupan h-indeks kandidata prema bazi *WoS* iznosi 52.

Detaljni pregled aktivnosti Dr Nenada Vranješa dat je u opisu naučne aktivnosti. Treba napomenuti da je kandidat prepoznat kao veoma aktivan član ATLAS kolaboracije, sobzirom da je svoje, kao i rezultate u ime celih grupa u kojima je radio, prezentovao preko 100 puta na sastancima radnih grupa ATLAS kolaboracije. Konkretno, na sastancima *Standard Model radne* grupe, Muon Combined Performance, Inner Detector, kao i Higgs WG. Značajne prezentacije bile su date i na radnim sastancima grupe Luminosity Task Force.

Kao jedan od najkompetentnijih, i istraživač sa glavnim doprinosom bio je jedan od editora u tri publikacije ATLAS kolaboracije: JHEP 1409 (2014) 037, Eur.Phys.J. C74 (2014) no.11, 313, i ATLAS-CONF-2016-113. Takođe, od strane ATLAS kolaboracije imenovan za editora kapitalne publikacije koja će obuhvatati petogodišnje rezultate prvog merenja mase W bozona. Ova publikacija je u završnoj fazi odobravanja od strane ATLAS kolaboracije.

Takođe, član je ATLAS-ovog recenzentskog tima za studiju merenja mase top kvarka u dileptonskom kanalu raspada u protonskim sudarima na energiji  $\sqrt{s} = 8$  TeV, kao i recenzentskog tima za studiju merenja mase Higsovog bozona u četvoroleptonskom kanalu sa podacima na energiji  $\sqrt{s} = 13$  TeV prikupljenim tokom 2015. i 2016. godine.

Pored toga, kandidat je učestvovao u organizaciji dvodnevnog W Mass workshop-a održanog u CERN-u https://indico.cern.ch/event/458880/ sa pregledom rezultata grupe, statusom i planovima za nastupajući period.

Više puta je po pozivu prezentovao svoje rezultate i rezultate ATLAS (kao i CMS) kolaboracije na međunarodnim i nacionalnim konferencijama:

- "Exotics searches at ATLAS", konferencija "LHC on the March", 16-18 novembar, 2011, Protvino, Rusija, https://indico.cern.ch/event/142227/.
- "Electroweak tests at the LHC", u ime dve kolaboracije ATLAS i CMS, konferencija "26th Rencontres de Blois", 18-23 maj 2014, Blois, Francuska http://blois.in2p3.fr/2014/.
- "Challenges in W mass measurements with ATLAS and CMS", u ime dve kolaboracije ATLAS i CMS, The Fourth Annual Large Hadron Collider Physics, LHCP2016, 13-18. jun 2016, Lund, Švedska, http://lhcp2016.hep.lu.se.
- "Poslednji rezultati eksperimenta ATLAS", XII Kongresu fizičara Srbije (Vrnjačka Banja 2013), http://www.dfs.rs/kongres/program.htm
- predavanje "Muon reconstruction in ATLAS+CMS", LHC France 2013, Annecy 2013, Francuska, https://indico.in2p3.fr/event/6838/.

#### 5.2 Angažovanost u formiranju naučnih kadrova

Kandidat je mentor pri izradi doktorske disertacije Aleksandre Dimitrievske na temi "Measurement of the W boson mass and the calibration of the muon momentum with the ATLAS detector" (*Merenje mase W bozona i kalibracija impulsa miona na detektoru ATLAS*). Odbrana ove doktorske disertacije na Fizičkom fakulteta Univerziteta u Beogradu planira se u prvoj polovini 2017. godine.

Takođe, kandidat je bio mentor za izradu master rada studentkinje Milene Bajić pod naslovom "Produkcija parova gradijentnih bozona u proton-proton sudarima na  $\sqrt{s} = 100$  TeV" odbranjenom na Departmanu za fiziku Prirodno-matematičkog fakulteta Univerziteta u Novom Sadu juna 2015. godine.

U okviru seminara za nastavnike srednjih škola 5. marta 2015. u Institutu za fiziku kandidat je održao predavanje pod nazivom "Otkriće Higsovog bozona: šta dalje?".

Nekoliko godina učestvovao je u organizaciji međunarodnog Masterclass programa za učenike i nastavnike srednjih škola u Srbiji pod pokroviteljstvom IPPOG (*International Particle Physics Outreach Group*). Cilj ovog programa je popularizacija fizike čestica i istraživanja u CERN-u.

Od 2008-2010. godine redovno je držao seminare studentima Fizičkog fakulteta u okviru predmeta Fizika elementarnih čestica i Seminar savremene fizike, na istraživačkom smeru, iz tematike fizike čestica na LHC-u i savremenih detektora čestica.

#### 5.3 Normiranje broja koautorskih radova, patenata i tehničkih rešenja

Dr Nenad Vranješ je član ATLAS kolaboracije od 2004. godine. Svi dobijeni rezultati objavljeni su ili prezentirani na konferencijama po pravilima ATLAS kolaboracije formulisanim u dva dokumenta: "ATLAS Publication Policy" i "ATLAS Authorship Policy". Za kvantitativnu ocenu naučnog doprinosa računati su samo radovi na kojima kandidat ima istaknuti i originalni doprinos. Ovi radovi su praćeni internim i javnim notama ATLAS kolaboracije navedenim u prilogu.

#### 5.4 Rukovođenje projektima, potprojektima i projektnim zadacima

Kandidat rukovodi projektnim zadatkom ispitivanja osobina Standardnog modela fizike čestica u okviru projekat OI 171004.

#### 5.5 Aktivnost u naučnim i naučno-stručnim društvima

Kandidat je član Saveta Društva fizičara Srbije za naučna istraživanja i visoko obrazovanje, odsek za fiziku jezgra, elementarnih čestica i osnovnih interakcija.

#### 5.6 Uticaj naučnih rezultata

Uticaj naučnih rezultata kandidata naveden je u odeljku 5.1. Pun spisak radova i radova koji ih citiraju je dat u prilogu.

## 5.7 Konkretan doprinos kandidata u realizaciji radova u naučnim centrima u zemlji i inostranstvu

Kandidat je član međunarodne kolaboracije ATLAS na Velikom sudaraču hadrona u CERN-u od 2004. godine. Kolaboracija danas broji peko 3000 istraživača iz preko 170 naučnih institu-

cija. U togu izrade doktorske disertacije u periodu od 2008-2011. godine aktivno je sarađivao sa ATLAS grupom Nacionalnog i Kapodistrijskog Univerziteta u Atini pod rukovodstvom prof. dr. C. Kourkoumelis koja je bila komentor teze kandidata. Nakon postdoktorskog usavršavanja u francuskom institutu CEA-Saclay 2011-2014, saradnja sa tamošnjom ATLAS grupom se nastavlja kroz rad na projektima merenja mase W bozona i apsolutnoj kalibraciji luminoznosti na ATLAS eksperimentu.

Konkretan doprinos kandidata je demonstriran kroz autorstvo u internim notama kolaboracije koja prate publikacije u časopisima, kroz editorski rad, kroz prezentacije svojih, kao i rezultata celokupnih grupa u okviru kolaboracije, kao i kroz predavanja po pozivu koja je kandidat držao u ime cele kolaboracije na međunarodnim konferencijama. Rezultati ostvareni u okviru *Muon Combined Performance*, kao i *Luminosity Task Force* grupe su od značaja za celokupni program ATLAS eksperimenta, i imaju primenu u velikom broju rezultata koje je objavila kolaboracija u datom periodu.

# 6 ELEMENTI ZA KVANTITATIVNU OCENU NAUČNOG DO-PRINOSA

Kategorija	M bodova po radu	Broj radova	Ukupno M bodova
M21a	10	2	20
M21	8	6	48
M31	3.5	2	7
M63	1	2	2

## 6.1 Ostvareni rezultati u periodu nakon prethodnog izbora u zvanje

# 6.2 Poređenje sa minimalnim kvantitativnim uslovima za izbor u zvanje viši naučni saradnik

Minimalan broj M bodova	Ostvareno	
Ukupno	50	77
$M10+M20+M31+M32+M33+M41+M42 \ge$	40	75
$M11 + M12 + M21 + M22 + M23 \ge$	30	48

## 6.3 Citiranost i h-indeks

Prema bazi Web of Science, naučni radovi u kojima je dr Nenad Vranješ imao ključni doprinos citirani su preko 200 puta ne računajući autocitate. Prema bazi inSPIRE ovi radovi su citirani preko 500 puta ne računajući autocitate. Ukupan h-indeks kandidata prema bazi WoS iznosi 52.

# 7 SPISAK OBJAVLJENIH RADOVA PO KATEGORIJAMA

#### 7.1 Radovi u međunarodnim časopisima izuzetnih vrednosti (M21a)

#### 7.1.1 Radovi objavljeni nakon prethodnog izbora u zvanje:

- Aaboud, M., ..., Vranjes N., et al. [ATLAS Collaboration], Measurement of the top quark mass in the tt̄ → dilepton channel from √s = 8 TeVATLAS data, Phys.Lett. B761 (2016) 350-371, arXiv:1606.02179 [hep-ex], IF=6.131.
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#### ПОТВРДА

Овим се потврђује да је Ненад Врањеш, дипломирани физичар из Београда, дана 11. новембра 2011. године, одбранио докторску дисертацију под називом

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#### From: Lydia Roos Iroos@in2p3.fr Subject: Invitation to give a talk at Blois 2014 Date: 18 March 2014 at 06:50 To: nenad.vranjes@cern.ch Cc: atlas-speakers-comm@cern.ch



#### Dear Nenad,

on behalf of the ATLAS Speakers Committee, I would like to invite you to give a (15+5)' ATLAS+CMS talk at Blois 2014, Blois (France), from 18-May-14 to 23-May-14.

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The Speakers Committee recommends that you confer with your Institute Representative before replying to this invitation.

Please acknowledge receipt of this invitation in the next three days, and please let me know soon if you can accept this invitation, I do hope you can!

Best regards, Lydia (for the ATLAS Speakers Committee) From: John Butler butler@cern.ch Subject: ATLAS: Invitation to give a talk at LHCP2016 Date: 2 April 2016 at 21:04 To: Nenad Vranjes nenad.vranjes@cern.ch Cc: atlas-speakers-comm@cern.ch, John Butler butler@cern.ch



#### Dear Nenad,

on behalf of the ATLAS Speakers Committee, I would like to invite you to give a (15)' talk at LHCP2016, Lund, Sweden, from Monday, June 13, 2016 to Saturday, June 18, 2016.

The title of this LHC talk is

Challenges in or results from W mass measurements with ATLAS and CMS

The web site of the conference is:

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The Speakers Committee recommends that you confer with your Institute Representative before replying to this invitation.

Please acknowledge receipt of this invitation in the next three days, and please let me know soon if you can accept this invitation. I do hope you can!

Best regards,

John (for the ATLAS Speakers Committee).
From: Kongres 2013 kongres2013@ff.bg.ac.rs Subject: Poziv XII Kongres fizicara Srbije - 2 Date: 14 March 2013 at 14:11 To: Nenad.Vranjes@cern.ch

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Obracamo Vam se u ime Naucnog i Organizacionog komiteta XII Kongresa fizicara Srbije, koji ce biti odrzan od 28. aprila do 2. maja 2013. godine u Vrnjackoj Banji.

Sa zadovoljstvom Vas pozivamo da ucestvujete na Kongresu i odrzite pozivno predavanje pod nazivom "Poslednji rezultati eksperimenta ATLAS".

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S postovanjem,

Prof. Jaroslav Labat Predsednik Naucnog komiteta XII Kongresa fizicara Srbije

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Dear Professor Vranjes,

I have a pleasure to inform you that the International Workshop "LHC on the March" is planned to be held in the Institute for High Energy Physics (Protvino, Russia) in 16-18 November, 2011.

I am happy to invite you to participate in the Workshop and to discuss physical problems of mutual interest. We also invite you to give a talk.

Looking forward to hearing from you soon (FAX or e-mail are preferable).

Sincerely yours,

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Imprint	26 May 2012 mult. p.
Subject category	Detectors and Experimental Techniques
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Abstract	The ATLAS detector is used to search for high-mass states, such as heavy charged gauge bosons (W), decaying to a lepton (electron or muon) plus r transverse momentum. Results are presented based on the analysis of pp collisions at a center-of-mass energy of 7 TeV corresponding to an integra luminosity of 4.7 fb^-1 acquired in 2011. No excess beyond standard model expectations is observed. A W' with standard model couplings is exclud CL for masses below 2.55 TeV and a W* is excluded at 95% CL for masses below 2.41 TeV.
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Author(s)	Chevalier, L (Saclay-CEA); Dimitrievska, A (Institute of Physics Belgrade): Vracias N /c-characteristics
Imprint	03 Sep 2013 mult. p.
Subject category	Detectors and Experimental Techniques
Accelerator/Facility, Experiment	CERN LHC; ATLAS
Free keywords	muon ; momentum scale ; energy loss ; J/psi
Abstract	The high statistics $J/\psi \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$ samples are used to study muon reconstruction performance in the low momentum regime. Studying differences between momenta of muons reconstructed in the lnner Detector and Muon Spectrometer extrapolated to the interaction point of the ATLAS detector, allow to derive effective correction to the spectrometer. The effect of the corrections is verified on the $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$ events.
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mprint	17 Jan 2014 60 p.
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Abstract	This paper presents the performances of the ATLAS muon reconstruction during the LHC Run-1, focusing mainly on data collected in 2012. The measurements of the reconstructions, based on large reference samples of $J/\psi \rightarrow \mu\mu$ and $\Upsilon \rightarrow \mu\mu$ decays, are presented and compared to M Corrections to the simulation imperfections, to be used in physics analysis, are provided. A method for the reconstruction of the reconstructions to the simulation imperfections, to be used in physics analysis, are provided. A method for the reconstructions for the reconstructions of the reconstructions to the simulation imperfections, to be used in physics analysis, are provided. A method for the reconstructions for the reconstructions of the reconstruc
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### Measurement of the Drell-Yan triple-differential cross-section in ppcollisions at $\sqrt{s} = 8$ TeV

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### Abstract

This supporting document details the methods and results of the measurement of the Drell-Yan triple differential cross-section using  $Z/\gamma^* \rightarrow e^+e^-$  and  $Z/\gamma^* \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$  decays in 20.1 fb<sup>-1</sup> of ATLAS data recorded in 2012 at a centre-of-mass energy of 8 TeV. Three analyses are presented here:  $Z/\gamma^* \rightarrow e^+e^-$  and  $Z/\gamma^* \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$  measurements where both leptons are reconstructed in the central region of the detector and a  $Z/\gamma^* \rightarrow e^+e^-$  measurement where one electron is measured in the central region of the detector and the other in the forward region. The triple differential cross-section is binned in dimensions of dilepton invariant mass  $M_{\ell\ell}$ , absolute rapidity,  $|y_{\ell\ell}|$ , and  $\cos\theta^*$  where  $\theta^*$  is the scattering angle in the Collins-Soper reference frame. The measurement provides sensitivity to the parton distribution functions or PDFs of the proton predominantly through the Mee and |gee| dimensions. The data are also sensitive to forward-backward asymmetry, AFB, through all three dimensions of interest. Therefore this measurement allows PDF effects to be decorrelated from electroweak effects and the effective weak mixing angle  $\sin^2 \theta_w^{\text{eff}}$  to be determined from the  $M_{\ell\ell}$  dependence of  $A_{\rm FB}$ . The triple differential cross-section results presented here are provided at the born- and dressed-levels. A comparison is made to the predictions of perturbative QCD calculations and various event generators. The extraction of  $\sin^2 \theta_w^{\text{eff}}$  is deferred to a second publication and will not be presented in this support note.



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### Muon efficiency corrections for the W boson mass measurement in the ATLAS 2011 data-set

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### Abstract

The muon reconstruction, trigger and isolation-cut efficiency impacts significantly the predicted shape of the lepton  $p_T$  in  $W \to \mu v$  events and plays therefore a crucial role in the W boson mass measurement. A correct modeling of these quantities in Monte Carlo simulations is therefore of high relevance. We reestimate these correction factors as function of lepton  $p_T$ ,  $\eta$ ,  $\phi$  and the projection of the transverse momentum of the lepton onto the hadronic recoil  $u_{\parallel}^t$ . We estimate systematic uncertainties that are specifically targeted to a propagation from Z- to W-boson samples, which are based on the same MC generator.



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### Measurement of mw with 7 TeV data : Electron experimental corrections and related uncertainties

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### Abstract

This note describes the electron calibration analysis. The electron pseudo-rapidity range is optimized to obtain the best possible description of the Z boson kinematic distributions, with emphasis in the electron pair invariant mass distribution, and to define dedicated electron energy corrections in order to optimize the W boson mass measurement. The impact of electron trigger, reconstruction and identification efficiency uncertainties is also evaluated.



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### Measurement of the W boson Mass at $\sqrt{s} = 7 TeV$ : Hadronic Recoil Algorithms

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### Abstract

In this note we describe various approaches to calculate the hadronic recoil in vector boson events. In particular, we present studies on their performance with respect to high pile-up conditions and their sensitivity to the transverse momentum of the vector boson. The note concludes with a recommendation for a hadronic recoil algorithm to be used in the W boson mass analysis for the 2011 data-set at  $\sqrt{s} = 7 TeV$ .



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### Measurement of m<sub>w</sub> with 7 TeV data : Physics Modeling

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## Measurement of the Higgs boson mass from the $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ and $H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4\ell$ channels in *pp* collisions at center-of-mass energies of 7 and 8 TeV with the ATLAS detector

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An improved measurement of the mass of the Higgs boson is derived from a combined fit to the reconstructed invariant mass spectra of the decay channels  $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$  and  $H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4\ell$ . The analysis uses the *pp* collision data sample recorded by the ATLAS experiment at the CERN Large Hadron Collider at center-of-mass energies of 7 TeV and 8 TeV, corresponding to an integrated luminosity of 25 fb<sup>-1</sup>. The measured value of the Higgs boson mass is  $m_H = 125.36 \pm 0.37(\text{stat}) \pm 0.18(\text{syst})$  GeV. This result is based on improved energy-scale calibrations for photons, electrons, and muons as well as other analysis improvements, and supersedes the previous result from ATLAS. Upper limits on the total width of the Higgs boson are derived from fits to the invariant mass spectra of the  $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$  and  $H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4\ell$  decay channels.

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## I. INTRODUCTION

In 2012, the ATLAS and CMS collaborations published the discovery of a new particle [1,2] in the search for the Standard Model (SM) Higgs boson [3–8] at the CERN Large Hadron Collider (LHC) [9]. In the SM, the Higgs boson mass is not predicted. Its measurement is therefore required for precise calculations of electroweak observables including the production and decay properties of the Higgs boson itself. These calculations are needed to test the coupling structure of the SM Higgs boson, as suggested in Ref. [10] and references therein.

The LHC collaborations have chosen a modelindependent approach to measure the Higgs boson mass based on fitting the spectra of the reconstructed invariant masses of the two decay modes  $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$  and  $H \rightarrow$  $ZZ^* \rightarrow 4\ell$ .<sup>1</sup> In these two channels the Higgs boson produces a narrow mass peak with a typical experimental resolution of 1.6 GeV to 2 GeV over a smooth background, from which the mass can be extracted without assumptions on the signal production and decay yields. Interference effects are expected between the Higgs boson signal and SM background processes. For the  $H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4\ell$  channel, the impact of this interference on the mass measurement is negligible (< 10 MeV) if the Higgs boson width is close to the SM value [11]. For the  $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$  channel, such effects are larger for widths close to the SM value [12–14], shifting the

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mass down by a few tens of MeV, but still small compared to the present experimental precision. The interference effects on the mass spectra are neglected in this paper.

Recent measurements of the Higgs boson mass from the ATLAS and CMS collaborations are reported in Refs. [15] and [16]. The ATLAS measurement was based on the same data sample as that analyzed in this paper, corresponding to an integrated luminosity of 4.5 fb<sup>-1</sup> at  $\sqrt{s} = 7$  TeV and of 20.3 fb<sup>-1</sup> at  $\sqrt{s} = 8$  TeV of pp collisions, taken in 2011 and 2012, respectively. The luminosity determination for the 2012 data set has been improved compared to Ref. [15], reaching an accuracy of 2.8% for the 2012 data.

The measurement of the Higgs boson mass is updated in this work with improved analyses of the two channels  $H \rightarrow \gamma \gamma$  and  $H \rightarrow Z Z^* \rightarrow 4\ell$ , as described in Secs. IV and V. The  $H \rightarrow \gamma \gamma$  channel profits from an improved calibration of the energy measurements of electron and photon candidates, which results in a sizable reduction of the systematic uncertainties on their energy scales. In the  $\dot{H} \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4\ell$  channel both the expected statistical uncertainty and the systematic uncertainty on the mass measurement have been reduced with respect to the previous publication. The improvement of the statistical uncertainty arises primarily from the use of a multivariate discriminant that is designed to increase the separation of the signal from background. The systematic uncertainty reduction comes from both the improved electromagnetic energy calibration and a reduction in the muon momentum scale uncertainty, which was obtained by studying large samples of  $Z \to \mu^+ \mu^-$  and  $J/\psi \to \mu^+ \mu^-$  decays.

More information on the general aspects of the  $H \rightarrow \gamma \gamma$ and  $H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4\ell$  analyses is contained in the concurrent Refs. [17,18], where in particular, the details of the signal and background simulation can be found. The present measurement of the Higgs boson mass relies

strongly upon both the calibration of the energy measurement for electrons and photons described in Ref. [19], and the understanding of the muon momentum scale and resolution presented in Ref. [20].

The ATLAS detector [21] is a multipurpose detector with a forward-backward symmetric cylindrical geometry.<sup>2</sup> At small radii, the inner detector (ID), immersed in a 2 T magnetic field produced by a thin superconducting solenoid located in front of the calorimeter, is made up of fine-granularity pixel and microstrip detectors. These silicon-based detectors cover the pseudorapidity range  $|\eta| < 2.5$ . A gas-filled straw-tube transition radiation tracker (TRT) complements the silicon tracker at larger radii and also provides electron identification based on transition radiation. The electromagnetic (EM) calorimeter is a lead/liquid-argon sampling calorimeter with accordion geometry. The calorimeter is divided into a barrel section covering  $|\eta| < 1.475$  and two end-cap sections covering  $1.375 < |\eta| < 3.2$ . For  $|\eta| < 2.5$  it is divided into three layers in depth, which are finely segmented in  $\eta$  and  $\phi$ . A thin presampler layer, covering  $|\eta| < 1.8$ , is used to correct for fluctuations in upstream energy losses. Hadronic calorimetry in the region  $|\eta| < 1.7$  uses steel absorbers and scintillator tiles as the active medium. Liquid argon calorimetry with copper absorbers is used in the hadronic end-cap calorimeters, which cover the region  $1.5 < |\eta| < 3.2$ . A forward calorimeter using copper or tungsten absorbers with liquid argon completes the calorimeter coverage up to  $|\eta| = 4.9$ . The muon spectrometer (MS) measures the deflection of muon tracks with  $|\eta| < 2.7$ , using three stations of precision drift tubes, with cathode strip chambers in the innermost layer for  $|\eta| > 2.0$ . The deflection is provided by a toroidal magnetic field with an integral of approximately 3 Tm and 6 Tm in the central and end-cap regions of ATLAS, respectively. The muon spectrometer is also instrumented with separate trigger chambers covering  $|\eta| < 2.4$ .

The outline of this paper is the following. In Secs. II and III, the improvements in the measurement of the physics objects used for the mass measurement (photons, electrons and muons) are described. In Secs. IV and V a brief description of the analyses used to measure the Higgs boson mass in the  $H \rightarrow \gamma \gamma$  and  $H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4\ell$  channels is presented, with emphasis on the improvements with respect to the analysis published in Ref. [15]. The statistical procedures used for the measurement of the mass and the contributions of the different systematic uncertainties

are discussed in Sec. VI. The results of the combined mass measurement and the compatibility of the individual measurements of the two channels are reported in Sec. VII.

#### II. PHOTON AND ELECTRON RECONSTRUCTION, ENERGY SCALE CALIBRATION AND SYSTEMATIC UNCERTAINTIES

The calibration strategy for the energy measurement of electrons and photons is described in detail in Ref. [19]. In this section, the definitions of photon and electron objects are given, followed by a description of their energy scale calibration. To achieve the best energy resolution and to minimize systematic uncertainties, the calibration and stability of the calorimeter cell energy measurement are optimized, the relative calibration of the longitudinal layers of the calorimeter is adjusted, and a determination of the amount of material in front of the calorimeter is performed. The global calorimeter energy scale is then determined in situ with a large sample of  $Z \rightarrow e^+e^-$  events, and verified using  $J/\psi \to e^+e^-$  and  $Z \to \ell^+\ell^-\gamma$  events. The calibration analysis uses a total of 6.6 million  $Z \rightarrow e^+e^$ decays, 0.3 million  $J/\psi \rightarrow e^+e^-$  decays, and 0.2 million radiative Z boson decays. Compared to the previous publication [15], the uncertainties in the calibration are significantly reduced by using data-driven measurements for the intercalibration of the calorimeter layers and for the estimate of the material in front of the calorimeter, as well as by improving the accuracy of the in situ calibration with  $Z \rightarrow e^+e^-$  events [19]. The expected range for transverse energy of photons from  $H \rightarrow \gamma \gamma$  decays is from 40 GeV to about 100 GeV. The range for electrons from  $H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4\ell$  decays is from 7 GeV to about 50 GeV.

#### A. Definition of photon and electron objects

Photon and electron candidates are reconstructed from clusters of energy deposited in the EM calorimeter. Candidates without a matching track or reconstructed conversion vertex in the ID are classified as unconverted photon candidates. Candidates with a matching reconstructed conversion vertex or a matching track consistent with originating from a photon conversion are classified as converted photon candidates. Candidates matched to a track consistent with originating from an electron produced in the beam interaction region are kept as electron candidates.

The measurement of the electron or photon energy is based on the energy collected in calorimeter cells in an area of size  $\Delta \eta \times \Delta \phi$  of 0.075 × 0.175 for electrons and converted photons in the barrel, 0.075 × 0.125 for unconverted photons in the barrel, and 0.125 × 0.125 for electrons and photons in the end caps. The choice of a different area for electrons and unconverted photons in the barrel is driven by the deflection of charged particles in the magnetic field and

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>ATLAS uses a right-handed coordinate system with its origin at the nominal interaction point (IP) in the center of the detector and the z axis along the beam pipe. The x axis points from the IP to the center of the LHC ring, and the y axis points upward. Cylindrical coordinates  $(r, \phi)$  are used in the transverse plane,  $\phi$  being the azimuthal angle around the beam pipe. The pseudorapidity is defined in terms of the polar angle  $\theta$  as  $\eta = -\ln \tan(\theta/2)$ .

bremsstrahlung in upstream material. A multivariate regression algorithm to calibrate electron and photon energy measurements was developed and optimized using simulation. Corrections are made for the energy deposited in front of the calorimeter (typically between a few % and 20% of the electron energy for 100 GeV energy electrons [21]) and outside of the cluster (around 5%), as well as for the variation of the energy response as a function of the impact point on the calorimeter. The inputs to the energy calibration algorithm are the measured energy per calorimeter layer, including the presampler,  $\eta$  of the cluster, and the local position of the shower within the second-layer cell corresponding to the cluster centroid. In addition, for converted photons, the track transverse momenta and the conversion radius are used as input to the regression algorithm to further improve the energy resolution, especially at low energy. This calibration procedure gives a 10%improvement in the expected mass resolution for  $H \rightarrow \gamma \gamma$ compared to the calibration used in the previous publication. For electron and photon candidates, the associated tracks are fitted with a Gaussian-sum filter to account for bremsstrahlung energy losses [22]. For  $H \to ZZ^* \to 4\ell$ candidates, the resulting momentum measurement is combined with the energy measured in the calorimeter to improve the electron energy measurement, especially at low energy or in the transition region between the barrel and end-cap calorimeters, where the calorimeter and ID have similar resolution.

## B. Cell energy calibration and stability

The raw signal from each calorimeter cell is converted into a deposited energy using the electronics calibration of the EM calorimeter [23]. The calibration coefficients are determined periodically using dedicated electronics calibration runs and are stable in time to better than 0.1%. The relative calibration of the different gains used in the readout is investigated by studying the  $Z \rightarrow e^+e^-$  sample, used for the global energy scale, as a function of the electron energy and categorizing the events according to the electronics gain used for the energy measurement, and small corrections (typically less than a few per mille) are applied. The corrections applied to the few percent of channels operated at non-nominal high voltage values are verified using data. The stability of the calorimeter response for data, both as a function of time and of instantaneous luminosity, is monitored using electrons from W or Z decays and is found to be better than 0.05%.

## C. Intercalibration of the different calorimeter layers

Accurate relative intercalibration of the different layers of the EM calorimeter is critical to achieve good linearity of the energy response. The relative calibration of the first two layers of the EM calorimeter, which contain most of the energy deposited by electrons and photons, is performed using muons from Z boson decays by comparing their

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measured energy loss in data and simulation. The use of muons allows the determination of the intrinsic relative layer calibration, independently of uncertainties on the material in front of the EM calorimeter. Small corrections, around 2% on average, for the relative calibration of the two layers are derived. The uncertainty on the relative calibration of the first two layers of the EM calorimeter varies between 1% and 2% as a function of  $\eta$  and is dominated by the uncertainties on the exact amount of liquid argon traversed by the muons and by the accuracy of the simulation of the cross-talk between calorimeter cells. The relative calibration of the presampler layer is derived from electrons, by comparing the presampler energy in data and simulation as a function of the longitudinal shower development measured in the calorimeter. The accuracy of this calibration, which does not depend on knowledge of the material in front of the presampler, is better than 5%.

# D. Determination of the material in front of the EM calorimeter

Accurate knowledge of the material in front of the EM calorimeter is required to properly correct for the energy lost upstream of the calorimeter, which also depends on the nature of the particle (electron, unconverted photon, converted photon) and its energy. The total amount of material in front of the presampler layer varies from two radiation lengths (for  $|\eta| < 0.6$ ) to about five radiation lengths (for  $|\eta| \sim 1.7$ ). The amount of material in front of the calorimeter is verified using collision data by studying the longitudinal development of electromagnetic showers, measured using the first two layers of the calorimeter, which are intercalibrated as described above, without any assumption about the material in front of the calorimeter. The uncertainties given below result from the statistical accuracy of the data and from the uncertainties in the modeling of the longitudinal shower profiles in the calorimeter.

The material between the presampler and the first calorimeter layer is measured using unconverted photons with low energy deposition in the presampler. Comparison of data and simulation shows that this material is well described in the simulation with an accuracy between 0.03 and 0.05 radiation lengths.

The integral of the material in front of the presampler is determined using the difference between electron and unconverted photon longitudinal shower profiles. The accuracy of this measurement is between 0.02 and 0.10 radiation lengths, depending on  $\eta$ . Over most of the calorimeter acceptance, the simulation is found to reproduce the data well, after some improvements in the description of the material in front of the end-cap calorimeter, with the exception of a few small localized regions where differences of up to 0.3 radiation lengths remain. The relative calibration of electron and photon energy measurements also depends on the radial position of detector

material in front of the presampler, which cannot be directly probed using longitudinal shower profiles measured in the calorimeter. The uncertainty on the amount of material in the ID active area is estimated from a comparison between a bottom-up inventory of the ID components and the measured weight of different ID subdetector units [21]. A 5% relative uncertainty, corresponding to 0.02 to 0.10 radiation lengths depending on the detector region, in the amount of material in the ID active area is derived from this comparison. Measurement of the rates of hadronic interactions [24] and of photon conversions with collision data are consistent with (albeit less precise than) this a priori knowledge. The determination of the integral of the material in front of the presampler is then used together with knowledge of the material in the ID active area to constrain the material in the detector services beyond the active part of the ID and in the calorimeter cryostats.

#### E. Global calorimeter energy scale adjustment

The global calorimeter energy scale is determined from  $Z \rightarrow e^+e^-$  decays by comparing the reconstructed mass distributions in data and simulation. This is done in bins of  $\eta$  of the electrons. The energy scale correction factors are typically of the order of 1%-3% and are consistent with the uncertainties on the initial energy scale derived from test-beam data. The uncertainty in the measurement of these factors from the Z sample is less than 0.1% on average, and up to 0.3% for  $|\eta| \sim 1.5$  at the transition region between the barrel and end-cap calorimeters. The uncertainty is significantly reduced compared to Ref. [25], owing to the improved detector description discussed above, to improved simulation, to the intercalibration corrections, and to a larger Z boson decay sample. No variation of the energy scale correction factors with pileup was observed. At the same time, an effective constant term for the calorimeter energy resolution is extracted by adjusting the width of the reconstructed Z mass distribution in simulation to match the distribution in data. This constant term is, on average, 0.7% for  $|\eta| < 0.6$ , and between 0.7% and 1.5% in the remainder of the calorimeter acceptance, except in the transition region between barrel and end-cap calorimeters where it is 3.5% and at the end of the end-cap acceptance (|n| > 2.3) where it is 2.5%. This constant term is used to adjust the energy resolution in simulated samples. The extraction of the energy scale and of the effective constant term is done separately for the 7 TeV and 8 TeV data. The effective constant term is about 0.2%-0.3% larger in the 8 TeV data.

## F. Systematic uncertainties on the energy scale and cross-checks

The calorimeter energy scale adjustment with Z events determines the scale for electrons with transverse energy  $(E_{\rm T})$  close to that of  $Z \rightarrow e^+e^-$  events  $(E_{\rm T} \sim 40 \text{ GeV on average})$ . Any systematic uncertainty thus has minimal

impact for 40 GeV  $E_{\rm T}$  electrons but can lead to residual nonlinearities and differences between the electron, unconverted photon, and converted photon energy scales.

In addition to the uncertainty on the overall energy scale adjustment, the uncertainties affecting the energy measurement of electrons and photons can be classified as follows. The impact of these systematic uncertainties on the photon energy scale is detailed for photons from Higgs boson decays, as the impact of energy scale systematic uncertainties is larger for this decay channel.

- (i) Uncertainty on the nonlinearity of the energy measurement at the cell level: this arises mostly from the relative calibration of the different gains used in the calorimeter readout. The uncertainty on the nonlinearity of the cell energy calibration contributes an uncertainty of about 0.1% to the energy scale of photons from Higgs boson decays (up to 1% for  $1.5 < |\eta| < 1.7$ ).
- (ii) Uncertainty on the relative calibration of the different calorimeter layers: these contribute an uncertainty of about 0.10% to 0.15% to the energy scale of photons from Higgs boson decays.
- (iii) Uncertainty on the amount of material in front of the calorimeter: these contribute between 0.1% and 0.3% as a function of η for unconverted photons from Higgs boson decays. This uncertainty is typically 2 times smaller for converted photons that have an energy loss before the calorimeter closer to that of the Z decay electrons used in the energy scale adjustment.
- (iv) Uncertainty in the reconstruction of photon conversions: unconverted and converted photons are calibrated differently to take into account the difference in the energy loss before the calorimeter. Converted photons misidentified as unconverted photons, or vice versa, are typically reconstructed with an energy shifted by 2%. The uncertainty in the modeling of the efficiency to properly classify converted or unconverted photons is a few percent. This translates into an uncertainty on the photon energy scale of 0.02%–0.04% for both the converted and unconverted photons.
- (v) Uncertainty in the modeling of the lateral shower shape: differences between data and simulation for the lateral development of electromagnetic showers contribute to the uncertainty on the energy scale if they depend on energy or particle type. These differences are compared for photons and electrons using a sample of radiative Z decays. They are found to be consistent. The resulting uncertainty on the photon energy scale is 0.05%–0.3% depending on η and whether or not the photon converted.

At an  $E_{\rm T}$  of about 60 GeV, the total uncertainty on the photon energy scale is between 0.2% and 0.3% for  $|\eta| < 1.37$  or  $|\eta| > 1.82$ ; for  $1.52 < |\eta| < 1.82$ , the uncertainty

is 0.9% and 0.4% for unconverted and converted photons, respectively. The energy dependence of the photon energy scale uncertainty is weak. The uncertainty on the electron energy scale at an  $E_{\rm T}$  of 40 GeV is, on average, 0.04% for  $|\eta| < 1.37$ , 0.2% for  $1.37 < |\eta| < 1.82$  and 0.05% for  $|\eta| > 1.82$ . At an  $E_{\rm T}$  of about 10 GeV, the electron energy scale uncertainty ranges from 0.4% to 1% for  $|\eta| < 1.37$ , is about 1.1% for  $1.37 < |\eta| < 1.82$ , and again 0.4% for  $|\eta| > 1.82$ . The largest uncertainty for electrons is in the transition region between the barrel and end-cap calorimeters, which is not used for photons. These uncertainties are modeled using 29 independent sources to account for their  $\eta$  dependence, and are almost fully correlated between the 7 TeV and 8 TeV samples. These 29 uncertainty sources are assigned in the following way:

- (i) one for the uncertainty in the extraction of the calorimeter energy scale from  $Z \rightarrow e^+e^-$  events,
- (ii) three for the uncertainty on the nonlinearity of the energy measurement at the cell level,
- (iii) four for the uncertainty on the ID material in different eta regions,
- (iv) six for the uncertainties affecting the relative calibration of the different calorimeter layers covering

uncertainties in the muon measurement as well as in the modeling of muon energy loss in the simulation,

- (v) ten for the uncertainties affecting the determination of the material after the ID volume and between the presampler and the first calorimeter layer covering uncertainties in the data measurement and in the modeling of longitudinal shower profiles in the simulation.
- (vi) three for uncertainties in the modeling of the conversion reconstruction performance in the simulation,
- (vii) two for the uncertainties in the modeling of the lateral shower shapes, separating converted and unconverted photons.

An independent verification of the energy scale is performed using samples of  $J/\psi \rightarrow e^+e^-$  and  $Z \rightarrow \ell^+ \ell^- \gamma$  decays. The latter sample allows, for instance, a direct measurement of the photon energy scale in the low transverse energy range (typically between 7 GeV and 35 GeV). The results are in good agreement with the energy scale determined from the  $Z \rightarrow e^+e^-$  sample, taking into account the systematic uncertainties discussed above. With the  $Z \rightarrow \ell^+ \ell^- \gamma$  sample, the energy scale of photons with



FIG. 1 (color online). Relative scale difference,  $\Delta$  Scale, between the measured electron energy scale and the nominal energy scale, as a function of  $E_{\rm T}$  using  $J/\psi \rightarrow e^+e^-$  and  $Z \rightarrow e^+e^-$  events (points with error bars), for four different  $\eta$  regions: (a)  $|\eta| < 0.6$ , (b)  $0.6 < |\eta| < 1.37$ , (c)  $1.37 < |\eta| < 1.82$  and (d)  $1.82 < |\eta| < 2.37$ . The uncertainty on the nominal energy scale for electrons is shown as the shaded area. The error bars include the systematic uncertainties specific to the  $J/\psi \rightarrow e^+e^-$  measurement.



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FIG. 2 (color online). Relative scale difference,  $\Delta$  Scale, between the measured photon energy scale using  $Z \to \ell \ell \gamma$  events and the nominal energy scale: (a) as a function of  $E_T$  for unconverted photons, (b) as a function of  $\eta$  for unconverted photons, (c) as a function of  $E_T$  for converted photons. Photons reconstructed in the transition region between the barrel and end-cap calorimeters are not considered. The  $Z \to \ell \ell \gamma$  measurements are the points with error bars. The uncertainty on the nominal energy scale for photons is shown as the shaded area. The error bars include the systematic uncertainties specific to the  $Z \to \ell \ell \gamma$  measurement.

transverse energy around 30 GeV is probed with an accuracy of about 0.3%. Figures 1 and 2 summarize the verifications of the electron and photon energy scales from these samples using the 8 TeV data set, after the full calibration procedure is applied. In addition to the  $J/\psi \rightarrow e^+e^-$  and  $Z \rightarrow \ell^+\ell^-\gamma$  samples, the nonlinearity in the electron energy scale is also probed by dividing the  $Z \rightarrow e^+e^-$  sample into bins of electron  $E_{\rm T}$ . These figures also show the total systematic uncertainty on the electron and photon energy scales as a function of  $E_{\rm T}$  and  $\eta$ . The same verifications are performed using the 7 TeV data set with results consistent within uncertainties.

#### G. Uncertainties on the calorimeter energy resolution

Systematic uncertainties on the calorimeter energy resolution arise from uncertainties in the modeling of the sampling term and on the measurement of the constant term in Z boson decays, from uncertainties related to the amount of material in front of the calorimeter, which affect electrons and photons differently, and from uncertainty in the modeling of the small contribution to the resolution from fluctuations in the pileup from other proton-proton interactions in the same or neighboring bunch crossings. The uncertainty on the calorimeter energy resolution is typically ~10% for photons from Higgs boson decays, and varies from 10% to 5% for electrons in the  $E_{\rm T}$  range from 10 GeV to 45 GeV.

#### III. MUON RECONSTRUCTION, MOMENTUM SCALE AND RESOLUTION SYSTEMATIC UNCERTAINTIES

The muon momentum is measured independently by the ID and the MS detector systems. Four types of muon candidates are reconstructed, depending on the available information from the ID, the MS, and the calorimeters. Most muon candidates are identified by matching a reconstructed ID track with either a complete or a partial (local segment) track reconstructed in the MS [20,26]. If a complete MS track is present, the two independent momentum measurements are combined (CB muons); otherwise the momentum is measured using the ID, and the partial MS track serves as identification (segment-tagged muons). The muon reconstruction and identification coverage is extended by using tracks reconstructed in the

forward region (2.5 <  $|\eta|$  < 2.7) of the MS, which is outside the ID coverage (standalone muons). The parameters of the muon track reconstructed in the MS are expressed at the interaction point by extrapolating the track back to the point of closest approach to the beam line, taking into account the energy loss of the muon in the calorimeters. In the center of the barrel region ( $|\eta|$  < 0.1), which lacks MS geometrical coverage, ID tracks with transverse momentum  $p_{\rm T}$  > 15 GeV are identified as muons). The combination of the track measurements provided by the ID and MS ensures excellent momentum resolution across 3 orders of magnitude, from a few GeV up to a few TeV.

The muon reconstruction in simulation is corrected to match the momentum scale and resolution measured from collision data as described in detail in Ref. [20]. About 6 million  $J/\psi \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$  events<sup>3</sup> and about 9 million  $Z \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$  events were used to extract the corrections to be applied to the simulated data. They consist of scale corrections for the ID and MS, a  $p_{\rm T}$ -independent momentum correction to be applied to reproduce the resolution observed in data. The corrections for the ID and MS momentum measurements were derived separately. For the momentum of CB muons, the individual corrections from the ID and MS momentum are combined according to their relative weight in the measurement of the combined muon.

To extract the ID corrections, template fits to the  $J/\psi \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$  and  $Z \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$  invariant mass distributions are performed in bins of  $\eta$  and  $p_{\rm T}$ . The MS corrections are extracted by fitting the  $J/\psi \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$  and  $Z \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^$ invariant mass distributions and the difference between the momentum measured in the ID and MS. The MS corrections are derived in bins of  $p_{\rm T}$  and  $\eta$ , and follow the sector granularity of the MS in the azimuthal coordinate  $\phi$ . The systematic uncertainties on the corrections are estimated by varying several ingredients of the fit procedure: the parametrization and the normalization of the backgrounds, the fit ranges, and the parametrization of the resonances and their kinematic distributions. The systematic uncertainties on the resolution are varied independently for the ID and MS, whereas the ID and MS systematic scale uncertainties are treated as fully correlated, hence maximizing the impact of the scale variation on the CB muons.

The major improvement with respect to the previous publication is the use of  $J/\psi \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$  events in addition to the  $Z \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$  sample in the simulation correction

procedure. This allows a significant reduction of the momentum scale uncertainty in the low momentum range that is relevant for the  $H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4\ell$  mass measurement. In previous studies, the  $J/\psi \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$  sample was used only for the evaluation of the systematic uncertainties.

The ID momentum scale corrections are below 0.1%. The systematic uncertainties on the ID scale increase with  $|\eta|$ , starting from 0.02% at  $\eta = 0$  and rising to about 0.2% for  $|\eta| > 2$ . The MS scale corrections vary from -0.4% to +0.3% depending on the  $\eta$  and  $\phi$  regions. The  $p_{\rm T}$ -independent momentum correction to the MS measurement takes into account the difference between the muon energy loss in the calorimeters in data and simulation, is of the order of a few tens of MeV and has a negligible impact on the Higgs boson mass measurement. Typical systematic uncertainties on the MS momentum scale range from less than 0.1% to about 0.2%. The systematic uncertainties on the CB momentum scale are 0.04% in the barrel region and increase to about 0.2% for  $|\eta| > 2$ .

These results were checked by separately fitting the dimuon invariant mass distribution to extract the peak position and the width of the  $J/\psi$ , Z and  $\Upsilon$  resonances in data and in the simulation, with and without corrections. For this study 17 million  $J/\psi$  events were used. The  $\Upsilon$ sample, about 5 million events, was not used in the simulation correction procedure and therefore provides an independent validation performed in bins of  $p_{\rm T}$ ,  $\eta$ and  $\phi$ . Figure 3(a) shows the ratio of the reconstructed dimuon invariant mass for data to the corrected mass in simulation for  $J/\psi$ ,  $\Upsilon$  and Z events as a function of  $\eta$  of the higher- $p_{\rm T}$  muon. Figure 3(b) shows the same ratio as a function of the average transverse momentum,  $\langle p_{\rm T} \rangle$ , of the two muons. The error bars on data points show the combined statistical and systematic uncertainties. The systematic uncertainty is extracted by varying the fitted dimuon mass range and, in the case of  $J/\psi$ , by taking into account the uncertainty on the background. These studies demonstrate the validity of the corrections and of the associated systematic uncertainties in the range  $6 < p_{\rm T} \lesssim 100$  GeV.

# IV. MASS AND WIDTH MEASUREMENT IN THE $H \rightarrow \gamma \gamma$ CHANNEL

The  $H \rightarrow \gamma \gamma$  channel provides good sensitivity to the Higgs boson mass, due to the excellent mass resolution in the diphoton final state, allowing the observation of a narrow mass peak over a smooth background which can be determined directly from data. The EM calorimeter provides a measurement of the photon energy and direction (photon pointing), utilizing its longitudinal segmentation. The typical mass resolution is 1.7 GeV for a 125 GeV Higgs boson mass. The main background is continuum  $\gamma\gamma$  production with smaller contributions, of about 20%, from the  $\gamma + jet$  and dijet processes. A more complete

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>Only  $J/\psi$  events with a muon with  $p_T > 8$  GeV are used to derive the muon momentum corrections, to avoid any bias in the corrections from nonlinearities in the momentum scale in the low momentum range.



FIG. 3 (color online). Ratio of the reconstructed dimuon invariant mass for data to the corrected mass in simulation for  $J/\psi$ ,  $\Upsilon$  and Z events: (a) as a function of  $\eta$  of the higher- $p_T$  muon and (b) as a function of  $\langle p_T \rangle$  of the two muons, as defined in the text. The shaded areas show the systematic uncertainty on the simulation corrections for each of the three samples. The error bars on the points show the combined statistical and systematic uncertainties as explained in the text. In (a), the two large  $|\eta|$  bins have measurements only from Z events due to trigger limitations above  $|\eta| = 2.4$ .

description of the selection criteria and background modeling is reported in Ref. [17].

#### A. Event selection

Events are selected using a diphoton trigger. For the 7 TeV data, an  $E_{\rm T}$  threshold of 20 GeV is applied to both photons at the trigger level. For the 8 TeV data, the  $E_{\rm T}$  threshold at the trigger level is 35 GeV for the photon with the highest  $E_{\rm T}$  and 25 GeV for the photon with the next-highest  $E_{\rm T}$ . Loose photon identification cuts are applied at the trigger level, which is more than 99% efficient for events fulfilling the final analysis selection.

Only photon candidates with  $|\eta| < 2.37$  are considered, removing the transition region  $1.37 < |\eta| < 1.56$  between the barrel and end-cap calorimeters. The calorimeter granularity in the transition region is reduced, and the presence of significant additional inactive material affects the identification capabilities and energy resolution.

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Two photons are required to fulfill tight identification criteria that are based primarily on shower shapes in the EM calorimeter [27]. For the 7 TeV data, a neural network discriminant is built from shower shape variables to suppress the contamination from jets misidentified as photon candidates. For the 8 TeV data, a set of cuts optimized for the pileup conditions of the 2012 data taking are applied. The efficiency of the photon identification selection ranges between 85% and 95% as a function of the photon  $E_{T}$ .

To further reject background from jets misidentified as photons, the photon candidates are required to be isolated using both the calorimeter isolation and track isolation requirements. The calorimeter isolation is defined as the sum of the  $E_{\rm T}$  of clusters of energy deposited in a cone of size  $\Delta R = \sqrt{(\Delta \eta)^2 + (\Delta \phi)^2} = 0.4$  around the photon candidate, excluding an area of size  $\Delta \eta \times \Delta \phi = 0.125 \times$ 0.175 centered on the photon cluster; the expected photon energy deposit outside the excluded area is subtracted. The pileup and underlying event contribution to the calorimeter isolation is subtracted event by event [28]. The calorimeter isolation is required to be smaller than 5.5 GeV for the 7 TeV data and smaller than 6 GeV for the 8 TeV data. The track isolation is defined as the scalar sum of the transverse momenta of the tracks in a cone of  $\Delta R = 0.2$  around the photon candidate. The tracks are required to have  $p_{\rm T} > 0.4(1.0)$  GeV, for the 7 (8) TeV data, and to be consistent with originating from the diphoton primary vertex, defined below. In the case of converted photons, the tracks associated with the photon conversion are excluded from the track isolation. The track isolation is required to be smaller than 2.2 GeV for the 7 TeV data and smaller than 2.6 GeV for the 8 TeV data. The efficiency of the isolation requirement is about 95% per photon for both 7 TeV and 8 TeV data.

Identifying which reconstructed primary vertex corresponds to the pp collision that produced the diphoton candidate is important for the mass reconstruction. The correct identification of the tracks coming from the pp collision producing the diphoton candidate is also necessary to avoid pileup contributions to the track isolation. To keep the contribution of the opening angle resolution to the mass resolution significantly smaller than the energy resolution contribution, a position resolution for the primary vertex of about 15 mm in the z direction is sufficient. Better resolution is needed to correctly match tracks to the pp collision vertex of the diphoton candidate. The directions of the photon candidates are measured using the longitudinal and transverse segmentation of the EM calorimeter, with a resolution of about 60 mrad/ $\sqrt{E}$ , where E is the photon energy in GeV. An estimate of the diphoton primary vertex z position is obtained by combining the average beam-spot position with this photon pointing, which is enhanced by using the tracks from photon conversions with conversion radii before or in the silicon

detectors. This estimate gives a resolution of about 15 mm in the z direction. In order to select the best reconstructed primary vertex, three additional variables are defined for each reconstructed primary vertex:  $\Sigma p_{\rm T}$  of the track transverse momenta,  $\Sigma p_{\mathrm{T}}^2$ , and the azimuthal angle between the combined photon system and the combined system of the tracks in the transverse plane. A neural network discriminant is constructed using the diphoton primary vertex z position estimated by the photon pointing, its uncertainty and this additional track information to select the best primary vertex candidate for the diphoton event. This algorithm selects a primary vertex within  $\pm 15$  mm in z of the true production vertex with an efficiency of 93% for the average pileup conditions in the 8 TeV data set. The contribution of the opening angle resolution to the mass resolution is thus negligible.

The diphoton invariant mass  $m_{\gamma\gamma}$  is computed using the measured photon energies and their opening angle estimated from the selected primary vertex and the photon impact points in the calorimeter. The transverse energy is required to be  $E_{\rm T} > 0.35 \times m_{\gamma\gamma}$  for the photon with the highest  $E_{\rm T}$  and  $E_{\rm T} > 0.25 \times m_{\gamma\gamma}$  for the photon with the second-highest  $E_{\rm T}$ . This selection leads to a smoother background distribution in each of the event categories compared to using fixed cuts on  $E_{\rm T}$ . The combined signal reconstruction and selection efficiency for the Higgs boson signal at an assumed mass of 125 GeV is around 40%. In total, 94627 (17225) events are selected in the 8 TeV (7 TeV) data set with  $105 < m_{\gamma\gamma} < 160$  GeV.

#### **B.** Event categorization

To improve the accuracy of the mass measurement, the selected events are separated into ten mutually exclusive categories that have different signal-to-background ratios, different diphoton invariant mass resolutions and different systematic uncertainties. To keep the analysis simple, the categorization is based only on the two photon candidates. The categorization, which is different from the one used in Ref. [17], is optimized to minimize the expected uncertainty on the mass measurement, assuming a Higgs boson signal produced with the predicted SM yield, while also accounting for systematic uncertainties. Events are first separated into two groups, one where both photons are unconverted and the other where at least one photon is converted. The simulation predicts that the energy resolution for unconverted photons is better than the one for converted photons, and energy scale systematic uncertainties are different for converted and unconverted photons. The events are then classified according to the  $\eta$  of the two photons: the central category corresponds to events where both photons are within  $|\eta| < 0.75$ , the transition category corresponds to events with at least one photon with  $1.3 < |\eta| < 1.75$ , and the rest category corresponds to all other diphoton events. The central category has the best mass resolution and signal-to-background ratio, as well as

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the smallest energy scale uncertainties. The transition category suffers from worse energy resolution, due to the larger amount of material in front of the calorimeter, and also from larger systematic uncertainties. Finally, the central and rest categories are each split into a low  $p_{\rm Tt}$  (< 70 GeV) and a high  $p_{\rm Tt}$  (> 70 GeV) category, where  $p_{\rm Tt}$  is the component of the diphoton transverse momentum orthogonal to the diphoton thrust axis in the transverse plane.<sup>4</sup> The high  $p_{\rm Tt}$  categories have better signal-to-background ratios and mass resolution, but have smaller yield. This categorization provides a 20% reduction of the expected statistical uncertainty compared to an inclusive measurement.

#### C. Signal modeling

The signal mass spectrum is modeled by the sum of a Crystal Ball function for the bulk of the events, which have a narrow Gaussian spectrum in the peak and tails toward lower reconstructed mass, and a wide Gaussian distribution to model the far outliers in the mass resolution. The Crystal Ball function is defined as

$$N \cdot \begin{cases} e^{-t^2/2} & \text{if } t > -\alpha_{\rm CB} \\ \left(\frac{n_{\rm CB}}{\alpha_{\rm CB}}\right)^{n_{\rm CB}} e^{-\alpha_{\rm CB}^2/2} \left(\frac{n_{\rm CB}}{\alpha_{\rm CB}} - \alpha_{\rm CB} - t\right)^{-n_{\rm CB}} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

where  $t = (m_{\gamma\gamma} - \mu_{\rm CB})/\sigma_{\rm CB}$ , N is a normalization parameter,  $\mu_{\rm CB}$  is the peak of the narrow Gaussian distribution,  $\sigma_{\rm CB}$  represents the Gaussian resolution for the core component, and  $n_{\rm CB}$  and  $\alpha_{\rm CB}$  parametrize the non-Gaussian tail.

The  $\sigma_{CB}$  parameter varies from 1.2 GeV to 2.1 GeV depending on the category of the event. The overall resolution can be quantified either through its full width at half maximum (FWHM), which varies from 2.8 GeV to 5.3 GeV, or using  $\sigma_{eff}$ , defined as half of the smallest range containing 68% of the signal events, which varies from 1.2 GeV to 2.4 GeV.

The parameters of the Crystal Ball and Gaussian functions, and their dependence on the Higgs boson mass, are fixed by fits to simulation samples at discrete mass values to obtain a smooth signal model depending only on the assumed Higgs boson mass and yield. The accuracy of this procedure is checked by fitting the Higgs boson mass in simulated samples with this signal model and is found to be better than 0.01% of the Higgs boson mass.

#### D. Background modeling and estimation

The background is obtained directly from a fit to the diphoton mass distribution in the data over the range 105–160 GeV after final selection. The procedure used to select

 $\overline{{}^{4}p_{TT}} = |(p_{T}^{\gamma_{1}} + p_{T}^{\gamma_{2}}) \times \hat{\mathbf{t}}|$ , where  $\hat{\mathbf{t}} = \frac{p_{T}^{\gamma_{1}} - p_{T}^{\gamma_{2}}}{|p_{T}^{\gamma_{1}} - p_{T}^{\gamma_{1}}|}$  is the thrust axis in the transverse plane, and  $p_{T}^{\gamma_{1}}, p_{T}^{\gamma_{2}}$  are the transverse momenta of the two photons.

the analytical form of the function describing the background shape is explained in more detail in Ref. [17]. Different analytical functions are evaluated using a large simulated background sample composed of diphoton events, photon + jet events (with one jet misidentified as a photon) and dijet events (with both jets misidentified as photons). Signal-plus-background fits are performed on this background-only sample; thus, the fitted signal yield should be zero if the functional form used describes the background shape well. The functional form retained to describe the background is required to have a spurious fitted signal less than 20% of the expected statistical uncertainty in the data or less than 10% of the expected Standard Model signal yield over a wide range of Higgs boson mass hypotheses. The functional form satisfying these criteria with the smallest number of free parameters is used to describe the background shape in the fit of the data. In the four high  $p_{\text{Tt}}$  categories, an exponential function in mass is used. In the six other categories, the exponential of a second-order polynomial in mass is used.

Table I summarizes the expected signal rate, mass resolution and background in the ten categories for the 7 TeV and 8 TeV data samples. Small differences in mass resolution arise from the differences in the effective constant term measured with  $Z \rightarrow e^+e^-$  events and from the lower pileup level in the 7 TeV data.

## E. Mass measurement method

The mass spectra for the ten data categories and the two center-of-mass energies are fitted simultaneously assuming the signal-plus-background hypothesis, using an unbinned maximum likelihood fit with background and signal parametrization described in the previous sections. The fitted parameters of interest for the signal are the Higgs boson mass and the signal strength, defined as the yield normalized to the SM prediction, and applied to all production modes. Using separate signal strength modifiers for vector boson fusion and gluon fusion production has a negligible impact on the mass measurement compared to the statistical uncertainty. The parameters describing the background mass distributions for each category and center-of-mass energy are also free in the fit. The systematic uncertainties are described by a set of nuisance parameters in the likelihood. They include uncertainties affecting the signal mass peak position, modeled as Gaussian constraints, uncertainties affecting the signal mass resolution and uncertainties affecting the signal yield.

TABLE I. Summary of the expected number of signal events in the 105–160 GeV mass range  $n_{sig}$ , the FWHM of mass resolution,  $\sigma_{eff}$  (half of the smallest range containing 68% of the signal events), number of background events *b* in the smallest mass window containing 90% of the signal  $(\sigma_{eff90})$ , and the ratio s/b and  $s/\sqrt{b}$  with *s* the expected number of signal events in the window containing 90% of the signal events, for the  $H \rightarrow \gamma \gamma$  channel. *b* is derived from the fit of the data in the 105–160 GeV mass range. The value of  $m_H$  is taken to be 126 GeV and the signal yield is assumed to be the expected Standard Model value. The estimates are shown separately for the 7 TeV and 8 TeV data sets and for the inclusive sample as well as for each of the categories used in the analysis.

Category n <sub>sig</sub>		FWHM [GeV]	$\sigma_{\rm eff}~[{\rm GeV}]$	$b$ in $\pm \sigma_{\rm eff90}$	s/b [%]	$s/\sqrt{b}$
$\sqrt{s} = 8 \text{ TeV}$						
Inclusive	402.	3.69	1.67	10670	3.39	3.50
Unconverted central low $p_{Tt}$	59.3	3.13	1.35	801	6.66	1.88
Unconverted central high $p_{\text{Tt}}$	7.1	2.81	1.21	26.0	24.6	1.26
Unconverted rest low $p_{\text{Tt}}$	96.2	3.49	1.53	2624	3.30	1.69
Unconverted rest high $p_{Tt}$	10.4	3.11	1.36	93.9	9.95	0.96
Unconverted transition	26.0	4.24	1.86	910	2.57	0.78
Converted central low $p_{Tt}$	37.2	3.47	1.52	589	5.69	1.38
Converted central high $p_{\text{Tt}}$	4.5	3.07	1.35	20.9	19.4	0.88
Converted rest low $p_{Tt}$	107.2	4.23	1.88	3834	2.52	1.56
Converted rest high $p_{\text{Tt}}$	11.9	3.71	1.64	144.2	7.44	0.89
Converted transition	42.1	5.31	2.41	1977	1.92	0.85
$\sqrt{s} = 7 \text{ TeV}$						
Inclusive	73.9	3.38	1.54	1752	3.80	1.59
Unconverted central low $p_{Tt}$	10.8	2.89	1.24	128	7.55	0.85
Unconverted central high $p_{Tt}$	1.2	2.59	1.11	3.7	30.0	0.58
Unconverted rest low $p_{\text{Tt}}$	16.5	3.09	1.35	363	4.08	0.78
Unconverted rest high $p_{Tt}$	1.8	2.78	1.21	13.6	11.6	0.43
Unconverted transition	4.5	3.65	1.61	125	3.21	0.36
Converted central low $p_{Tt}$	7.1	3.28	1.44	105	6.06	0.62
Converted central high $p_{\text{Tt}}$	0.8	2.87	1.25	3.5	21.6	0.40
Converted rest low $p_{Tt}$	21.0	3.93	1.75	695	2.72	0.72
Converted rest high $p_{\text{Tt}}$	2.2	3.43	1.51	24.7	7.98	0.40
Converted transition	8.1	4.81	2.23	365	2.00	0.38

Figure 4 shows the result of the simultaneous fit to the data over all categories. For illustration, all categories are summed together, with a weight given by the signal-to-background (s/b) ratio in each category.

#### F. Systematic uncertainties

The dominant systematic uncertainties on the mass measurement arise from uncertainties on the photon energy scale. These uncertainties, discussed in Sec. II, are propagated to the diphoton mass measurement in each of the ten categories, by modifying the peak of the Crystal Ball function and the average of the Gaussian function describing the signal mass spectrum. The total uncertainty on the mass measurement from the photon energy scale uncertainties ranges from 0.17% to 0.57% depending on the category. The category with the lowest systematic uncertainty is the low  $p_{Tt}$  central converted category, for which the energy scale extrapolation from  $Z \rightarrow e^+e^-$  events is the smallest.

Systematic uncertainties related to the reconstruction of the diphoton primary vertex are investigated using  $Z \rightarrow e^+e^-$  events reweighted to match the transverse momentum distribution of the Higgs boson and the  $\eta$ distribution of the decay products. The primary vertex is



FIG. 4 (color online). Invariant mass distribution in the  $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ analysis for data (7 TeV and 8 TeV samples combined), showing weighted data points with errors, and the result of the simultaneous fit to all categories. The fitted signal plus background is shown, along with the background-only component of this fit. The different categories are summed together with a weight given by the *s/b* ratio in each category. The bottom plot shows the difference between the summed weights and the background component of the fit.

reconstructed using the same technique as for diphoton events, ignoring the tracks associated with the electrons, and treating them as unconverted photons. When this procedure is applied to simulated samples, the efficiency to reconstruct the primary vertex is the same in  $Z \rightarrow e^+e^-$  events and  $H \rightarrow \gamma \gamma$  events [17]. The dielectron invariant mass is then computed in the same way as the diphoton invariant mass. Comparing the results of this procedure in data and simulation leads to an uncertainty of 0.03% on the position of the peak of the reconstructed invariant mass.

Systematic uncertainties related to the modeling of the background are estimated by performing signal-plusbackground fits to samples containing large numbers of simulated background events plus the expected signal at various assumed Higgs boson masses. The signal is injected using the same functional form used in the fit, so the fitted Higgs boson mass is sensitive only to the accuracy of the background modeling. The maximum difference between the fitted Higgs boson mass and the input mass over the tested mass range is assigned as a systematic uncertainty on the mass measurement. This uncertainty varies from 0.05% to 0.20% depending on the category. The uncertainties in the different categories are taken as uncorrelated. As a cross-check, to investigate the impact of a background shape in data different than in the large statistics simulated background sample, signal-plusbackground pseudo-experiments are generated using a functional form for the background with one more degree of freedom than the nominal background model used in the fit: for the four high  $p_{\text{Tt}}$  categories, a second-order Bernstein polynomial or the exponential of a second-order polynomial is used; for the six other categories, a thirdorder Bernstein polynomial is used. The parameters of the functional form used to generate these pseudo-experiments are determined from the data. These pseudo-experiments are then fitted using the nominal background model. This procedure leads to an uncertainty on the mass measurement between 0.01% and 0.05% depending on the category, and smaller than the uncertainties derived from the baseline method using the large sample of simulated background events.

Systematic uncertainties on the diphoton mass resolution due to uncertainties on the energy resolution vary between 9% and 16% depending on the category and have a negligible impact on the mass measurement.

Systematic uncertainties affecting the relative signal yield in each category arise from uncertainties on the photon conversion rate, uncertainties in the proper classification of converted and unconverted photon candidates and uncertainties in the modeling of the transverse momentum of the Higgs boson. These migration systematic uncertainties vary between 3% for the low  $p_{Tt}$  categories, dominated by uncertainties on the efficiency for reconstructing photon conversions, and 24% for the gluon fusion production process in the high  $p_{Tt}$  categories, dominated by

the uncertainty on the transverse momentum of the Higgs boson. The uncertainty on the transverse momentum of the Higgs boson is estimated by changing the renormalization and factorization scales in the HRes2 [29,30] computation of the Higgs boson transverse momentum distribution as well as the resummation scales associated with t and b quarks. These migration uncertainties have a negligible effect on the mass measurement.

Finally, uncertainties on the predicted overall signal yield are estimated as follows [17]. The uncertainty on the predicted cross section for Higgs boson production is about 10% for the dominant gluon fusion process. The uncertainty on the predicted branching ratio to two photons is 5%. The uncertainty from the photon identification efficiency is derived from studies using several control samples: a sample of radiative Z decays, a sample of  $Z \rightarrow e^+e^-$  events, where the shower shapes of electrons are corrected to resemble the shower shapes of photons, and a sample of high  $E_{\rm T}$  isolated prompt photons. The estimated photon identification uncertainty amounts to 1.0% for the 8 TeV data set, after correcting for small residual differences between simulation and data, and 8.4% for the 7 TeV data set. The uncertainty is larger for the 7 TeV data set because of the stronger correlation of the neural network photon identification with the photon isolation, and because the neural network identification relies more strongly on the correlations between the individual shower shape variables, complicating the measurement and introducing larger uncertainties on the estimate of its performance in data. The uncertainty on the integrated luminosity is 2.8% for the 8 TeV data set and 1.8% for the 7 TeV data set [31] The uncertainties on the isolation cut efficiency and on the trigger efficiency are less than 1% for both the 7 TeV and 8 TeV data sets. These uncertainties on the overall signal yield also have a negligible effect on the mass measurement.

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Table II gives a summary of the systematic uncertainties on the mass measurement for the different categories. For illustration, the 29 sources of uncertainty on the photon energy scale are grouped into seven classes, so the correlations in the uncertainties per class between categories are not 100%.

The total systematic uncertainty on the measured mass is  $\pm 0.22\%$ , dominated by the uncertainty on the photon energy scale.

## G. Result

The measured Higgs boson mass in the  $H \to \gamma \gamma$  decay channel is

$$m_H = 125.98 \pm 0.42 (\text{stat}) \pm 0.28 (\text{syst}) \text{ GeV}$$
  
= 125.98 ± 0.50 GeV (1)

where the first error represents the statistical uncertainty and the second the systematic uncertainty. The change in central value compared to the previous result in Ref. [15] of 126.8  $\pm$  0.2(stat)  $\pm$  0.7(syst) GeV is consistent with the expected change resulting from the updated photon energy scale calibration and its much smaller systematic uncertainty. From the changes in the calibration procedure an average shift of about -0.45 GeV in the measured Higgs boson mass is expected, with an expected statistical spread of about 0.35 GeV from fluctuations in the measured masses of individual events. The average shift between the old and new calibrations is estimated from the distribution of the mass difference of the common events in the mass sidebands outside the signal region.

The mass measurement is performed leaving the overall signal strength free in the fit. The measured signal strength,  $\mu$ , normalized to the Standard Model expectation is found to be  $\mu = 1.29 \pm 0.30$ . The most precise results for  $\mu$  from

TABLE II. Summary of the relative systematic uncertainties (in %) on the  $H \rightarrow \gamma \gamma$  mass measurement for the different categories described in the text. The first seven rows give the impact of the photon energy scale systematic uncertainties, grouped into seven classes.

			Unconver	ted		Converted				
	Central		Rest			Central		Rest		
Class	low $p_{\text{Tt}}$	high $p_{\text{Tt}}$	low $p_{\rm Tt}$	high $p_{\text{Tt}}$	Transition	low $p_{\rm Tt}$	high $p_{\text{Tt}}$	low $p_{\rm Tt}$	high $p_{\text{Tt}}$	Transition
$Z \rightarrow e^+e^-$ calibration	0.02	0.03	0.04	0.04	0.11	0.02	0.02	0.05	0.05	0.11
LAr cell nonlinearity	0.12	0.19	0.09	0.16	0.39	0.09	0.19	0.06	0.14	0.29
Layer calibration	0.13	0.16	0.11	0.13	0.13	0.07	0.10	0.05	0.07	0.07
ID material	0.06	0.06	0.08	0.08	0.10	0.05	0.05	0.06	0.06	0.06
Other material	0.07	0.08	0.14	0.15	0.35	0.04	0.04	0.07	0.08	0.20
Conversion reconstruction	0.02	0.02	0.03	0.03	0.05	0.03	0.02	0.05	0.04	0.06
Lateral shower shape	0.04	0.04	0.07	0.07	0.06	0.09	0.09	0.18	0.19	0.16
Background modeling	0.10	0.06	0.05	0.11	0.16	0.13	0.06	0.14	0.18	0.20
Vertex measurement					0.	03				
Total	0.23	0.28	0.24	0.30	0.59	0.21	0.25	0.27	0.33	0.47

these data are based on an analysis optimized to measure the signal strength [17]. The statistical uncertainties on the mass and signal yield obtained from the data fit are consistent with the expected statistical accuracy in pseudoexperiments generated with this measured signal yield. The average expected statistical uncertainty on the mass for  $\mu =$ 1.3 is 0.35 GeV and the fraction of pseudo-experiments with a statistical error larger than the one observed in data (0.42 GeV) is about 16%. From these pseudo-experiments, the distribution of fitted masses is compared to the input mass value to verify that the statistical uncertainty from the fit provides 68% coverage. In the previous measurement, the expected statistical uncertainty was about 0.33 GeV for  $\mu = 1.55$  and the observed statistical uncertainty (0.24 GeV) was better than expected. The change in expected statistical uncertainty mostly comes from the change in the fitted signal strength, which was slightly larger in the previous measurement, as the statistical uncertainty on the mass measurement is inversely proportional to the signal strength. Changes in the mass resolution and the event categorization also contribute to the change in the expected statistical uncertainty. The increase in the statistical uncertainty between the previous result and this result is consistent with a statistical fluctuation from changes in the measured masses of individual events. Assuming the SM signal yield ( $\mu = 1$ ), the statistical uncertainty on the mass measurement is expected to be 0.45 GeV

No significant shift in the values of the nuisance parameters associated with the systematic uncertainties is observed in the fit to the data. The result is also stable if a different mass range, 115 GeV to 135 GeV, is used in the fit.

Several cross-checks of the mass measurement are performed, dividing the data into subsamples with different sensitivities to systematic uncertainties. To evaluate the compatibility between the mass measured in a subsample and the combined mass from all other subsamples, a procedure similar to the one used to evaluate the mass compatibility between different channels, described in Sec. VI, is applied. The mass difference  $\Delta_i$  between the subsample *i* under test and the combined mass from all other subsamples is added as a parameter in the likelihood. and the value of  $\Delta_i$  with its uncertainty is extracted from the fit to the data, leaving the combined Higgs boson mass from all other subsamples as a free parameter. With this procedure, the uncertainty on  $\Delta_i$  correctly accounts for the correlation in systematic uncertainties between the subsample under test and the rest of the data set. The values of  $\Delta_i$ , with their uncertainties are shown in Fig. 5 for three different alternative event categorizations, with three subsamples each: as a function of the conversion status of the two photons, as a function of the number of primary vertices reconstructed in the event and as a function of the photon impact point in the calorimeter (barrel vs end-cap).





FIG. 5. Difference,  $\Delta_i$ , between the mass measured in a given  $\gamma\gamma$  subsample and the combined  $\gamma\gamma$  mass, using three different alternative categorizations to define the subsamples. The top three points show a categorization based on the photon conversion status: UU is the subsample with both photons unconverted, UC the subsample with two converted photons. The middle three points show a categorization based on the number of reconstructed primary vertices ( $N_{\rm PV}$ ) in the event. The bottom three points show a categorization based on the photon impact points on the calorimeter: BB is the subsample with both photons detected in the barrel calorimeter, BE the subsample with one photon in the end-cap calorimeter.

No value of  $\Delta_i$  inconsistent with zero is found in these checks, or in other categorizations related to the conversion topology, the instantaneous luminosity, the photon isolation and the data taking periods. A similar procedure, fitting simultaneously one  $\Delta_i$  per subsample, is performed to assess the global consistency of all the different subsamples with a common combined mass. In nine different categorizations, no global inconsistency larger than  $1.5\sigma$  is observed.

A direct limit on the decay width of the Higgs boson is set from the observed width of the invariant mass peak, under the assumption that there is no interference with background processes. The signal model is extended by convolving the detector resolution with a nonrelativistic Breit-Wigner distribution to model a nonzero decay width. The test statistic used to obtain the limit on the width is a profile likelihood estimator with the width as the main parameter of interest, where the mass and the signal strength of the observed particle are also treated as free parameters. Pseudo-experiments with different assumed widths are performed to estimate the distribution of the test statistic, which does not perfectly follow a  $\chi^2$  distribution, and to compute the exclusion level. The observed (expected for  $\mu = 1$ ) 95% confidence level (CL) upper limit on the width is 5.0 (6.2) GeV. For  $\mu = 1.3$ , the expected upper limit on the width is 4.2 GeV. These limits, properly

calibrated with pseudo-experiments, are about 15% larger than estimates based on a  $\chi^2$  distribution of the test statistic.

## V. MASS AND WIDTH MEASUREMENT IN THE $H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4\ell'$ CHANNEL

The  $H \to ZZ^* \to 4\ell$  channel provides good sensitivity to the measurement of the Higgs properties due to its high signal-to-background ratio, which is about two in the signal mass window 120–130 GeV, and its excellent mass resolution, for each of the four final states:  $\mu^+\mu^-\mu^+\mu^ (4\mu)$ ,  $e^+e^-\mu^+\mu^ (2e2\mu)$ ,  $\mu^+\mu^-e^+e^ (2\mu 2e)$ , and  $e^+e^-e^+e^-$ (4e), where the first pair is defined to be the one with the dilepton mass closest to the *Z* boson mass. The typical mass resolution varies from 1.6 GeV for the  $4\mu$  final state to 2.2 GeV for the 4*e* final state. For a SM Higgs boson with a mass of about 125 GeV, the dominant background is the  $(Z^{(*)}/\gamma^*)(Z^{(*)}/\gamma^*) \to 4\ell$  process, referred to hereafter as  $ZZ^*$ . A smaller contribution is expected from the *Z* + jets and *tī* processes.

Several improvements were introduced in the analysis with respect to Ref. [15]. For the 8 TeV data, the electron identification was changed from a cut-based to a likelihood method, which improves the rejection of light-flavor jets and photon conversions by a factor of 2 for the same signal efficiency [32]. The updated electromagnetic calibration based on multivariate techniques, described in Sec. II, is used for electrons and final-state radiation (FSR) photons. In addition, a new combined fit of the track momentum and cluster energy was introduced. This is applied to electrons with  $E_{\rm T} < 30$  GeV when the track momentum and cluster energy are consistent within their uncertainties, and improves the resolution of the  $m_{4\ell}$  invariant mass distribution for the  $H \to ZZ^* \to 4e$  and  $H \to ZZ^* \to 2\mu 2e$  final states by about 4%. Finally, a multivariate discriminant was introduced to separate the signal and  $ZZ^*$  background.

The following subsections describe the details of the Higgs mass measurement in the  $H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4\ell$  channel. A more complete discussion of the selection criteria and background determination is reported in Ref. [18].

#### A. Event selection

Four-lepton events are selected with single-lepton and dilepton triggers. The  $p_{\rm T}$  ( $E_{\rm T}$ ) thresholds for single-muon (single-electron) triggers increased from 18 GeV to 24 GeV (20 GeV to 24 GeV) between the 7 and 8 TeV data sets, due to the increase of the instantaneous luminosity during these two data-taking periods. The dilepton triggers include dimuon, dielectron and mixed electron and muon topologies, and have thresholds starting at 6 GeV (10 GeV) for muons (electrons) for 7 TeV data. For the 8 TeV data, the dilepton trigger thresholds were raised to 13 GeV for the dimuon and to 12 GeV for the dielectron. In addition, for the 8 TeV data, an asymmetric threshold of (8,18) GeV was added for the dimuon trigger. The trigger efficiency for

Higgs boson signal events passing the final selection is greater than 97% for the  $4\mu$ ,  $2e2\mu$  and  $2\mu 2e$  channels and close to 100% for the 4e channel.

For the 7 TeV data, electrons are required to satisfy a cut-based selection using tracking and shower profile criteria [33]. The 8 TeV data have an improved electron reconstruction algorithm with higher efficiency, and the likelihood-based electron identification with improved background rejection mentioned above. The four types of muons described in Sec. III are allowed with at most one standalone or calorimeter-tagged muon per event. Muon tracks are required to have a minimum number of hits in the ID, or hits in all muon stations for standalone muons.

Higgs boson candidates are formed by selecting two same-flavor, opposite-sign lepton pairs (a lepton quadruplet) in an event. Each lepton is required to have a longitudinal impact parameter less than 10 mm with respect to the primary vertex, defined as the primary vertex with the largest  $\sum p_{\rm T}^2$ , and muons are required to have a transverse impact parameter less than 1 mm to reject cosmic-ray muons. Each muon (electron) must satisfy  $p_T > 6 \text{ GeV}$  $(E_{\rm T} > 7 {\rm ~GeV})$  and be measured in the pseudorapidity range  $|\eta| < 2.7$  ( $|\eta| < 2.47$ ). The highest  $p_{\rm T}$  lepton in the quadruplet must satisfy  $p_{\rm T} > 20$  GeV, and the second (third) lepton in  $p_{\rm T}$  order must satisfy  $p_{\rm T} > 15~{\rm GeV}$  $(p_{\rm T} > 10 \text{ GeV})$ . The leptons are required to be separated from each other by  $\Delta R > 0.1 (0.2)$  for the same (different) flavor. Each event is required to have the triggering lepton(s) matched to one or two of the selected leptons.

Multiple quadruplets within a single event are possible: for four muons or electrons there are two ways to pair the leptons, and for five or more leptons there are multiple ways to choose the leptons. Quadruplet selection is done separately in each channel: 4µ, 2e2µ, 2µ2e, 4e, keeping only a single quadruplet per channel. For each channel, the lepton pair with the mass closest to the Z boson mass is selected as the leading dilepton pair and its invariant mass  $m_{12}$  is required to be between 50 GeV and 106 GeV. The second, subleading, pair of each channel is chosen as the pair with its invariant mass  $m_{34}$  closest to the Z mass, and also satisfying  $m_{\min} < m_{34} < 115$  GeV. Here  $m_{\min}$  takes the value of 12 GeV for  $m_{4\ell} < 140$  GeV, increases linearly between 12 and 50 GeV for  $140 < m_{4\ell} < 190$  GeV, and is 50 GeV for  $m_{4\ell} > 190$  GeV. Finally, if the event contains a quadruplet passing the selection in more than one channel, the quadruplet from the channel with the highest expected rate is taken; i.e., the first is taken from the order:  $4\mu$ ,  $2e2\mu$ , 2µ2e, 4e.

The *Z* + jets and  $t\bar{t}$  background contributions are further reduced by applying impact parameter and track- and calorimeter-based isolation requirements to the leptons. The impact parameter significance,  $|d_0|/\sigma_{d_0}$ , for all muons (electrons) is required to be less than 3.5 (6.5). The normalized track isolation discriminant, defined as the sum of the transverse momenta of tracks inside a cone

of size  $\Delta R = 0.2$  around the lepton, excluding the lepton track, divided by the lepton  $p_{\rm T}$ , is required to be smaller than 0.15. The normalized calorimetric isolation is computed from the energy in the electromagnetic and hadronic calorimeters within a cone of  $\Delta R < 0.2$  around the lepton, excluding the cells containing the lepton energy. This energy is corrected, event by event, for the ambient energy deposition in the event from pileup as well as for the underlying event, and then divided by the lepton  $p_{\rm T}$ . The normalized calorimetric isolation is required to be smaller than 0.2 (0.3) for electrons in the 7 TeV (8 TeV) data, and smaller than 0.3 for muons (0.15 for standalone muons).

The effect of photon emission from FSR on the reconstructed invariant mass is well modeled in the simulation. In addition, some FSR recovery is performed allowing at most one photon to be added per event. Leading dimuon candidates with  $m_{12}$  in the range 66–89 GeV, below the Z boson mass, are corrected for collinear FSR by including in the invariant mass any reconstructed photon lying close to one of the muon tracks, as long as the corrected mass  $m_{\mu\mu\gamma}$  remains below 100 GeV. In a second step, for events without collinear FSR, noncollinear FSR photons with a significant  $E_{\rm T}$  are included for both the leading dimuon and dielectron candidates, an improvement introduced since Ref. [15]. The expected number of events with a collinear or noncollinear FSR correction is 4% and 1%, respectively. Full details are discussed in Ref. [18].

For the 8 TeV data, the combined signal reconstruction and selection efficiency for  $m_H = 125$  GeV is 39% for the  $4\mu$  channel, 27% for the  $2e2\mu/2\mu 2e$  channel and 20% for the 4e channel.

Finally, a kinematic fit is used to constrain the mass of the leading lepton pair to the Z pole mass within the experimental resolution, including any FSR photon, as in the analysis of Ref. [15]. This improves the  $m_{4\ell}$  resolution by about 15%.

#### **B.** Background estimation

The ZZ\* background is estimated from simulation and normalized to NLO calculations [34]. The reducible Z+jets and  $t\bar{t}$  backgrounds are estimated with data-driven methods, separately for the two final states with subleading muons,  $\ell\ell + \mu\mu$ , and the two final states with subleading electrons,  $\ell\ell + ee$ . For the  $\ell\ell + \mu\mu$  reducible background, the Z + jets background mostly consists of  $Z + b\bar{b}$  events with heavy-flavor semileptonic decays and, to a lesser extent,  $\pi/K$  in-flight decays. The Z + jets and  $t\bar{t}$  backgrounds can be distinguished in the  $m_{12}$  distribution where the former background peaks at the Z boson mass, and the latter has a broad distribution. Four control regions, with relaxed impact parameter and isolation selection on the subleading muons, are fit simultaneously to extract the different components of the reducible background. The four control regions are defined by the following: at least one subleading muon with inverted impact parameter

significance to enhance the heavy-flavor contribution, at least one subleading muon with inverted isolation significance to enhance the  $\pi/K$  in-flight decays, same-sign subleading muons to include all contributions, and finally a leading  $e\mu$  pair with either a same-sign or an oppositesign subleading muon pair, which removes the Z + jets contribution. The fitted yields in the control regions are extrapolated to the signal region using efficiencies obtained from simulation. A small contribution from WZ decays is estimated using simulation.

The electron background contributing to the  $\ell\ell + ee$ final states arises mainly from jets misidentified as electrons, occurring in three ways: light-flavor hadrons misidentified as electrons, photon conversions reconstructed as electrons and nonisolated electrons from heavy-flavor hadronic decays. The electron background is evaluated by three data-driven methods where the selection is relaxed or inverted for one or two of the subleading electrons. The final estimate is obtained using a " $3\ell + X$ " control region, and the other methods, which are used as cross-checks, are described in Ref. [18]. The  $3\ell + X$  control region requires the three highest  $p_{\rm T}$  leptons (3 $\ell$ ) to satisfy the full selection, with the third  $\ell$  an electron, and the remaining electron (X) to have the electron identification fully relaxed except for the requirement on the number of hits in the silicon tracker-at least seven silicon hits with at least one in the pixel detector. In addition, the X is required to have the same sign as the other subleading electron to minimize the contribution from the  $ZZ^*$  background. The yields of the background components of X are extracted with a fit to the number of hits in the first pixel layer (B layer) and the high-threshold to low-threshold TRT hit ratio. Most photons have no B-layer hit, and the TRT threshold distinguishes between the hadrons misidentified as electrons and the photon-conversion and heavy-flavor electrons. The fitted yields in the control region are extrapolated to the signal region using efficiencies obtained from a large sample of Z bosons produced with a single additional electron candidate satisfying the relaxed selection.

To evaluate the background in the signal region, the  $m_{4\ell}$  shape is evaluated using simulated events for the  $\ell'\ell + \mu\mu$  final states and with data using the  $3\ell + X$  method for the  $\ell'\ell + ee$  final states. The estimates for the  $ZZ^*$  and the reducible backgrounds in the  $120 < m_{4\ell} < 130$  GeV mass window are provided in Table III.

#### C. Multivariate discriminant

The multivariate discriminant used to reduce the impact of the  $ZZ^*$  background on the fitted mass is based on a boosted decision tree (BDT) [35]. The BDT classifier (BDT<sub>ZZ\*</sub>) is trained using simulated signal events generated with  $m_H = 125$  GeV and simulated  $ZZ^*$  background events that pass the event selection and have  $115 < m_{4\ell} < 130$  GeV, the mass window that contains over 95% of the signal. The variables used in the training

are the transverse momentum and the pseudorapidity of the four-lepton system, plus a matrix-element-based kinematic discriminant  $(D_{ZZ^*})$  defined as

$$D_{ZZ^*} = \ln\left(\frac{|\mathcal{M}_{\rm sig}|^2}{|\mathcal{M}_{ZZ}|^2}\right),\tag{2}$$

where  $\mathcal{M}_{sig}$  and  $\mathcal{M}_{ZZ}$  are the matrix elements for the signal and  $ZZ^*$  background processes, respectively, computed at leading order using MadGraph [36].

#### D. Signal and background model

Several methods are used to measure the Higgs boson mass in the  $H \to ZZ^* \to 4\ell$  decay channel. The twodimensional (2D) fit to  $m_{4\ell}$  and the BDT<sub>ZZ\*</sub> output  $(O_{\text{BDT}_{ZZ^*}})$  is chosen as the baseline because it has the smallest expected uncertainty among the different methods. The one-dimensional (1D) fit to the  $m_{4\ell}$  spectra used for the previous measurement [15] serves as a cross-check. For both the 1D and 2D fits, the signal model is based on simulation distributions that are smoothed using a kernel density estimation method [37]. These distributions are generated at 15 different  $m_H$  values in the range 115 <  $m_H < 130$  GeV and form templates that are parametrized as a function of  $m_H$  using B-spline interpolation [38]. These simulation samples at different masses are normalized to the expected SM cross section times branching ratio [10] to derive the expected signal yields after acceptance and selection. For all of the methods, the  $m_{4\ell}$  range used for the fit is 110 GeV to 140 GeV.

The signal probability density function (PDF) in the 2D fit is modeled as

$$\begin{aligned} &\mathcal{P}(m_{4\ell}, O_{\text{BDT}_{ZZ^*}} | m_H) \\ &= \mathcal{P}(m_{4\ell} | O_{\text{BDT}_{ZZ^*}}, m_H) \mathcal{P}(O_{\text{BDT}_{ZZ^*}} | m_H) \\ &\simeq \left( \sum_{n=1}^{4} \mathcal{P}_n(m_{4\ell} | m_H) \theta_n(O_{\text{BDT}_{ZZ^*}}) \right) \mathcal{P}(O_{\text{BDT}_{ZZ^*}} | m_H) \end{aligned}$$
(3)

where  $\theta_n$  defines four equal-sized bins for the value of the BDT<sub>ZZ</sub><sup>\*</sup> output, and  $\mathcal{P}_n$  represents the 1D PDF for  $m_{4\ell}$  for the signal in the corresponding  $O_{\text{BDT}_{ZZ^*}}$  bin. The variation of the  $m_{4\ell}$  shape within a single  $O_{\text{BDT}_{ZZ^*}}$  bin is found to be negligible, and studies indicate that the binning approximation does not bias the mass measurement. The background model,  $\mathcal{P}_{\text{bkg}}(m_{4\ell}, O_{\text{BDT}_{ZZ^*}})$ , is described using a full 2D PDF that is derived from simulation for the ZZ\* background, and by using data-driven techniques for the reducible background. The 2D template fit method reduces the expected statistical error on the measured mass with respect to the simple fit to the  $m_{4\ell}$  spectra (1D method) by about 8%.

Extensive studies were performed in order to validate the signal and background PDFs using a 2D fit to fully

simulated signal and background events normalized to the SM expectation. No bias was found between the input and resulting 2D fit values for the Higgs mass and signal strength, tested for different  $m_H$  values in the range 120 GeV to 130 GeV. Different values for the parameter used to control the amount of smoothing for both the signal and background PDFs were tested and no biases on the fitted  $m_H$  and signal strength were found. An additional check for a possible bias due to a small dependence of the BDT<sub>ZZ</sub>, output on  $m_H$  for the signal, included in Eq. (3), is performed by fitting a sample of background-only simulated data. No dependence of the likelihood scan on  $m_H$ was observed.

In addition to the 2D fit method, described above, and the 1D fit method used in Ref. [15], a third approach is used. This approach combines an analytic description of the signal mass spectra with the BDT<sub>ZZ\*</sub> output and can be used both for the mass measurement and to provide a direct limit on the width of the Higgs boson. In this method, the signal  $m_{4\ell}$  PDF is computed event by event by convolving the estimated detector response for each of the four leptons with the nonrelativistic Breit-Wigner function describing the generated Higgs mass line shape. The advantage of this method is that the typical detector response for each data candidate is taken into account in the signal modeling. This is referred to as the per-eventerror method. In this fit the Z mass constraint is not applied. The muon and electron response functions are modeled by the sum of two or three Gaussian distributions, respectively, to provide a better description of the responses. This parametrization is performed in bins of  $\eta$ and  $p_{\rm T}$ . These response functions are validated with several simulation samples and with data. One validation consists of comparing the Z boson mass distribution measured in collision data with the convolution of the generator-level Z boson resonance with the detector response, constructed using the single-lepton response. The ratio of the two distributions agrees to better than 2% for  $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$  and 5% for  $Z \rightarrow ee$ . In addition, the per-eventerror model is checked by fitting the four-lepton invariant mass from the Z decay in the  $Z \rightarrow 4\ell$  process. The fit results are in agreement with the world average values of the Z boson mass and width [39]. The per-event-error fit is used both as a cross-check for the mass measurement and as the baseline method to set an upper limit on the Higgs boson total width  $\Gamma_H$ .

For the mass measurement, the  $m_{4\ell}$  (and  $O_{\text{BDT}_{ZZ^*}}$ ) data distributions for eight sets of events, one for each final state for the 7 TeV and 8 TeV data, are simultaneously fitted using an unbinned maximum likelihood assuming the signal and background models described above. The backgrounds are set in the fit to their estimated values, and the associated normalization and shape uncertainties are treated as nuisance parameters, as discussed in Sec. VI.

## E. Systematic uncertainties

The main sources of systematic uncertainties on the mass measurement are the electron energy scale and the muon momentum scale. The expected impact of these uncertainties on the mass measurement corresponds to about 60 MeV for both the 4e and the 4 $\mu$  channels, obtained from the 2D fit to simulation. When all the final states are combined together, this translates to an observed  $\pm 0.03\%$  uncertainty on  $m_H$  for both the electron energy scale and the muon momentum scale.

Systematic uncertainties on the measurement of the inclusive signal rate are also included in the model. The uncertainty on the inclusive signal strength due to the identification and reconstruction efficiency for muons and electrons is  $\pm 2\%$ . The dominant theory systematic uncertainties arise from QCD scale variations of the  $gg \rightarrow H$  process ( $\pm 7\%$ ), parton distribution function variations ( $\pm 6\%$ ) and the decay branching ratio ( $\pm 4\%$ ). The uncertainty on the Higgs boson transverse momentum, evaluated as described in Sec. IV F, has a negligible impact on the mass and the inclusive signal rate measurements. The uncertainty on the integrated luminosity is given in Sec. IV F, and it has a negligible impact on the mass measurement.

#### F. Results

Figure 6(a) shows the  $m_{4\ell}$  distribution of the selected candidates for 7 TeV and 8 TeV collision data along with the expected distributions for a signal with a mass of

124.5 GeV and the ZZ\* and reducible backgrounds. The expected signal is normalized to the measured signal strength, given below. Figure 6(b) shows the BDT<sub>ZZ\*</sub> output versus  $m_{4\ell}$  for the selected candidates in the  $m_{4\ell}$  range 110–140 GeV. The compatibility of the data with the expectations shown in Fig. 6(b) has been checked using pseudo-experiments generated according to the expected two-dimensional distributions and good agreement has been found. Table III presents the observed and expected number of events for  $\sqrt{s} = 7$  TeV and  $\sqrt{s} = 8$  TeV, in a mass window of 120–130 GeV, corresponding to about  $\pm 2\sigma_{m_{4\ell}}$ .

The measured Higgs boson mass in the  $H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4\ell$  decay channel obtained with the baseline 2D method is

$$m_H = 124.51 \pm 0.52 (\text{stat}) \pm 0.06 (\text{syst}) \text{ GeV}$$
  
= 124.51 ± 0.52 GeV (4)

where the first error represents the statistical uncertainty and the second the systematic uncertainty. The systematic uncertainty is obtained from the quadrature subtraction of the fit uncertainty evaluated with and without the systematic uncertainties fixed at their best-fit values. Due to the large difference between the magnitude of the statistical and systematic uncertainties, the numerical precision on the quadrature subtraction is estimated to be of the order of 10 MeV. The measured signal strength for this inclusive selection is  $\mu = 1.66^{+0.48}_{-0.38}$ , consistent with the SM expectation of 1. The most precise results for  $\mu$  from these data are

TABLE III. The number of events expected and observed for a  $m_H = 125$  GeV hypothesis for the four-lepton final states. The second column shows the number of expected signal events for the full mass range. The other columns show the number of expected signal events, the number of ZZ\* and reducible background events, and the signal-to-background ratio (s/b), together with the numbers of observed events, in a window of  $120 < m_{4\ell} < 130$  GeV for 4.5 fb<sup>-1</sup> at  $\sqrt{s} = 7$  TeV and 20.3 fb<sup>-1</sup> at  $\sqrt{s} = 8$  TeV as well as for the combined sample.

Final state	Signal Full mass range	Signal	ZZ*	$Z + jets, t\bar{t}$	s/b	Expected	Observed
$\sqrt{s} = 7 \text{ TeV}$							
$4\mu$	$1.00 \pm 0.10$	$0.91\pm0.09$	$0.46 \pm 0.02$	$0.10 \pm 0.04$	1.7	$1.47\pm0.10$	2
2e2µ	$0.66 \pm 0.06$	$0.58\pm0.06$	$0.32\pm0.02$	$0.09\pm0.03$	1.5	$0.99 \pm 0.07$	2
2µ2e	$0.50 \pm 0.05$	$0.44 \pm 0.04$	$0.21 \pm 0.01$	$0.36\pm0.08$	0.8	$1.01\pm0.09$	1
4 <i>e</i>	$0.46 \pm 0.05$	$0.39\pm0.04$	$0.19\pm0.01$	$0.40\pm0.09$	0.7	$0.98\pm0.10$	1
Total	$2.62\pm0.26$	$2.32\pm0.23$	$1.17\pm0.06$	$0.96\pm0.18$	1.1	$4.45\pm0.30$	6
$\sqrt{s} = 8 \text{ TeV}$							
4μ	$5.80 \pm 0.57$	$5.28 \pm 0.52$	$2.36\pm0.12$	$0.69 \pm 0.13$	1.7	$8.33\pm0.6$	12
2e2µ	$3.92 \pm 0.39$	$3.45\pm0.34$	$1.67\pm0.08$	$0.60\pm0.10$	1.5	$5.72\pm0.37$	7
2µ2e	$3.06 \pm 0.31$	$2.71\pm0.28$	$1.17\pm0.07$	$0.36\pm0.08$	1.8	$4.23\pm0.30$	5
4 <i>e</i>	$2.79\pm0.29$	$2.38\pm0.25$	$1.03\pm0.07$	$0.35\pm0.07$	1.7	$3.77\pm0.27$	7
Total	$15.6\pm1.6$	$13.8\pm1.4$	$6.24\pm0.34$	$2.00\pm0.28$	1.7	$22.1\pm1.5$	31
$\sqrt{s} = 7 \text{ TeV}$	and $\sqrt{s} = 8 \text{ TeV}$						
4μ	$6.80 \pm 0.67$	$6.20\pm0.61$	$2.82\pm0.14$	$0.79 \pm 0.13$	1.7	$9.81 \pm 0.64$	14
2e2µ	$4.58\pm0.45$	$4.04\pm0.40$	$1.99\pm0.10$	$0.69\pm0.11$	1.5	$6.72\pm0.42$	9
2µ2e	$3.56 \pm 0.36$	$3.15\pm0.32$	$1.38\pm0.08$	$0.72\pm0.12$	1.5	$5.24 \pm 0.35$	6
4 <i>e</i>	$3.25 \pm 0.34$	$2.77\pm0.29$	$1.22\pm0.08$	$0.76\pm0.11$	1.4	$4.75\pm0.32$	8
Total	$18.2\pm1.8$	$16.2\pm1.6$	$7.41\pm0.40$	$2.95\pm0.33$	1.6	$26.5\pm1.7$	37

based on an analysis optimized to measure the signal strength [18]. The expected statistical uncertainty for the 2D fit with the observed  $\mu$  value of 1.66 is 0.49 GeV, close to the observed statistical uncertainty. With the improved



FIG. 6 (color online). (a) Distribution of the four-lepton invariant mass for the selected candidates in the  $m_{4\ell}$  range 80–170 GeV for the combined 7 TeV and 8 TeV data samples. Superimposed are the expected distributions of a SM Higgs boson signal for  $m_H = 124.5$  GeV normalized to the measured signal strength, as well as the expected ZZ\* and reducible backgrounds. (b) Distribution of the BDT<sub>ZZ'</sub> output versus  $m_{4\ell}$  for the selected candidates in the 110–140 GeV  $m_{4\ell}$  range for the combined 7 TeV and 8 TeV data samples. The expected distribution for a SM Higgs with  $m_H = 124.5$  GeV is indicated by the size of the blue boxes, and the total background is indicated by the intensity of the red shading.

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uncertainties on the electron and muon energy scales, the mass uncertainty given above is predominantly statistical with a nearly negligible contribution from systematic uncertainties. The mass measurement performed with the 1D model gives  $m_H = 124.63 \pm 0.54$  GeV, consistent with the 2D result where the expected difference has a root mean square (RMS) of 250 MeV estimated from Monte Carlo pseudo-experiments. These measurements can be compared to the previously reported result [15] of  $124.3^{+0.6}_{-0.5}(\text{stat})^{+0.5}_{-0.3}(\text{syst})$  GeV, which was obtained using the 1D model. The difference between the measured values arises primarily from the changes to the channels with electrons-the new calibration and resolution model. the introduction of the combined track momentum and cluster energy fit, and the improved identification, as well as the recovery of noncollinear FSR photons, which affects all channels. In the 120-130 GeV mass window, there are four new events and one missing event as compared to Ref. [15]. Finally, as a third cross-check, the measured mass obtained with the per-event-error method is within 60 MeV of the value found with the 2D method.

Figure 7 shows the scan of the profile likelihood,  $-2 \ln \Lambda(m_H)$ , for the 2D model as a function of the mass of the Higgs boson for the four final states, as well as for all of the channels combined. The signal strength and all the nuisance parameters are profiled (allowed to float to the values that maximize the likelihood) in the scan. The compatibility among the mass measurements from the four final states is estimated to be about 20% using a  $\chi^2$  test.

Using the per-event-error method a direct limit on the total width of the Higgs boson of  $\Gamma_H < 2.6$  GeV at



FIG. 7 (color online). The profile likelihood as a function of  $m_H$  for the combination of all  $H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4\ell$  channels and for the individual channels for the combined 7 TeV and 8 TeV data samples. The combined result is shown both with (solid line) and without (dashed line) systematic uncertainties, and the two results are almost indistinguishable.

95% CL is obtained. The expected limit is  $\Gamma_H < 6.2$  GeV at 95% CL for a signal at the SM rate and  $\Gamma_H < 3.5$  GeV at 95% CL for the observed signal rate. The difference between the observed and expected results arises from the higher signal strength observed in the data, as well as from the measured  $m_{4\ell}$ ,  $O_{\text{BDT}_{ZZ^*}}$  and mass resolution values for the selected candidate events. These limits are estimated under the asymptotic assumption, described in Sec. VI, and a cross-check with Monte Carlo ensemble tests provides consistent results. The limit on the total width was cross-checked with a 2D fit using signal templates parametrized as a function of the Higgs boson width and found to be in agreement.

#### VI. STATISTICAL PROCEDURE AND TREATMENT OF SYSTEMATIC UNCERTAINTIES

The statistical treatment of the data is described in Refs. [40–44]. Confidence intervals are based on the profile likelihood ratio  $\Lambda(\alpha)$  [45]. The latter depends on one or more parameters of interest  $\alpha$ , such as the Higgs boson mass  $m_H$  or production yields normalized to the SM expectation  $\mu$ , as well as on the nuisance parameters  $\theta$ :

$$\Lambda(\boldsymbol{\alpha}) = \frac{L(\boldsymbol{\alpha}, \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(\boldsymbol{\alpha}))}{L(\hat{\boldsymbol{\alpha}}, \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}})}.$$
 (5)

The likelihood functions in the numerator and denominator of the above equation are built using sums of signal and background PDFs in the discriminating variables, such as the  $\gamma\gamma$  mass spectra for the  $H\to\gamma\gamma$  channel and the  $m_{4\ell}$ and BDT<sub>ZZ<sup>\*</sup></sub> output distributions for the  $H \to ZZ^* \to 4\ell$ channel. The PDFs are derived from simulation for the signal and from both data and simulation for the background, as described in Secs. IV and V. Likelihood fits to the observed data are carried out for the parameters of interest. The vector  $\hat{\theta}$  denotes the unconditional maximum likelihood estimate of the parameter values, and  $\hat{\theta}$  denotes the conditional maximum likelihood estimate for given fixed values of the parameters of interest  $\alpha$ . Systematic uncertainties and their correlations [40] are modeled by introducing nuisance parameters  $\theta$  described by likelihood functions associated with the estimate of the corresponding effect. The choice of the parameters of interest depends on the test under consideration, with the remaining parameters treated as nuisance parameters, i.e., set to the values that maximize the likelihood function ("profiled") for the given fixed values of the parameters of interest.

For the combined mass measurement, hypothesized values of  $m_H$  are tested using the profile likelihood ratio defined in terms of  $m_H$  and treating  $\mu_{\gamma\gamma}(m_H)$  and  $\mu_{4\ell}(m_H)$  as independent nuisance parameters, so as to avoid making any assumptions about the Higgs boson couplings:

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$$\Lambda(m_H) = \frac{L(m_H, \hat{\hat{\mu}}_{\gamma\gamma}(m_H), \hat{\hat{\mu}}_{4\ell}(m_H), \hat{\hat{\theta}}(m_H))}{L(\hat{m}_H, \hat{\mu}_{\gamma\gamma}, \hat{\mu}_{4\ell}, \hat{\theta})}.$$
 (6)

The leading source of systematic uncertainty on the mass measurement comes from the energy and momentum scale uncertainties on the main physics objects used in the two analyses, namely, photons for the  $H \rightarrow \gamma \gamma$  and muons and electrons for the  $H \to ZZ^* \to 4\ell$  final state. They are detailed in Secs. II and III. The correlation between the two measurements stems from common systematic uncertainties and is modeled in the combination by correlating the corresponding nuisance parameters. For the mass measurement this correlation comes mainly from the uncertainty on the energy scale calibration with  $Z \rightarrow e^+e^-$  events, which affects both the electron and photon energy scale uncertainties. This source of uncertainty is greatly reduced with respect to the previous publication and has a small impact on the total mass uncertainty for both channels. For this reason, the correlation between the two measurements is now almost negligible.

To directly quantify the level of consistency between the measurements of  $m_H^{TT}$  and  $m_H^{4\ell}$ , the profile likelihood used for the mass combination is parametrized as a function of the difference in measured mass values  $\Delta m_H = m_H^{TT} - m_H^{4\ell}$ , with the common mass  $m_H$  profiled in the fit. Specifically, the observable  $m_H^{4\ell}$  is fit to the parameter  $m_H$  while the observable  $m_H^{TT}$  is fit to the parameter  $m_H + \Delta m_H$ . The two measurements are compatible if the fitted value of  $\Delta m_H$  is compatible with zero. The original model used to combine the two measurements is recovered by fixing the parameter  $\Delta m_H$  to zero.

The signal strengths  $\mu_{\gamma\gamma}$  and  $\mu_{4\ell}$  are treated as independent nuisance parameters in this approach, as is the common mass  $m_H$ . The variation of  $-2 \ln \Lambda(\Delta m_H)$  between its minimum and the  $\Delta m_H = 0$  point is used as an estimate of the compatibility of the two masses, with all other fit parameters profiled to the data. This result relies on the assumption that the statistical observable  $-2 \ln \Lambda$  behaves as a  $\chi^2$  distribution with 1 degree of freedom, referred to as the asymptotic assumption. This result is also cross-checked with Monte Carlo ensemble tests that do not rely on this assumption. All sources of energy and momentum scale systematic uncertainty are treated assuming Gaussian PDFs.

## VII. COMBINED MASS MEASUREMENT

The measured masses from the  $H \to \gamma\gamma$  and  $H \to ZZ^* \to 4\ell$  channels reported in Secs. IV and V are combined following the method described in Sec. VI. For the  $H \to ZZ^* \to 4\ell$  channel the 2D method discussed in Sec. V is used. The combined mass measurement is

$$m_H = 125.36 \pm 0.37(\text{stat}) \pm 0.18(\text{syst}) \text{ GeV}$$
  
= 125.36 ± 0.41 GeV (7)

where the first error represents the statistical uncertainty and the second the systematic uncertainty. The statistical component is determined by repeating the likelihood scan with all nuisance parameters related to systematic uncertainty fixed to their best-fit value. The systematic component is then derived by subtracting in quadrature the statistical one from the total error. The  $-2 \ln \Lambda$  value as a function of  $m_H$  for the individual  $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$  and  $H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4\ell$  channels and their combination is shown in Fig. 8.

With respect to the previously published value [15] of  $m_H = 125.49 \pm 0.24 (\text{stat})_{-0.58}^{+0.50} (\text{syst})$  GeV, the observed statistical error has increased. This is due to the increase of the observed statistical error in the  $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$  channel as discussed in Sec. IV G. The systematic uncertainty is significantly reduced thanks to the improvements in the calibration of the photons and electrons and the reduction in the uncertainty on the muon momentum scale, as detailed in Secs. II and III, respectively.

In order to check that the fitted signal yield is not significantly correlated with the measured mass, the profile likelihood ratio as a function of both  $m_H$  and the normalized signal yield S,  $\Lambda(S, m_H)$  is used. The normalized signal yield is defined as  $S = \sigma/\sigma_{\rm SM}(m_H = 125.36 \text{ GeV})$ . It is similar to the signal strength  $\mu = \sigma/\sigma_{\rm SM}(m_H)$ , except the  $m_H$  dependence of the expected SM cross sections and branching ratios that enter into the denominator, principally for the  $H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4\ell$  channel, is removed by fixing  $m_H$  to the combined best-fit mass. Asymptotically, the test statistic  $-2 \ln \Lambda(S, m_H)$  is distributed as a  $\chi^2$  distribution with 2 degrees of freedom. The resulting 68% and 95% CL contours are shown in Fig. 9. No significant correlation between the two fitted variables is observed, confirming the



FIG. 8 (color online). Value of  $-2 \ln \Lambda$  as a function of  $m_H$  for the individual  $H \to \gamma\gamma$  and  $H \to ZZ^* \to 4\ell$  channels and their combination, where the signal strengths  $\mu_{\gamma\gamma}$  and  $\mu_{4\ell}$  are allowed to vary independently. The dashed lines show the statistical component of the mass measurements. For the  $H \to ZZ^* \to 4\ell$  channel, this is indistinguishable from the solid line that includes the systematic uncertainties.





FIG. 9 (color online). Likelihood contours  $-2 \ln \Lambda(S, m_H)$  as a function of the normalized signal yield  $S = \sigma/\sigma_{\rm SM}(m_H = 125.36 \text{ GeV})$  and  $m_H$  for the  $H \to \gamma\gamma$  and  $H \to ZZ^* \to 4\ell$  channels and their combination, including all systematic uncertainties. For the combined contour, a common normalized signal yield *S* is used. The markers indicate the maximum likelihood estimates in the corresponding channels.

model independence of the mass measurement described in this paper.

As a cross-check, the mass combination was repeated by fixing the values of the two signal strengths to the SM expectation  $\mu = 1$ . The mass measurement only changes by 80 MeV, demonstrating that the combined mass measurement is quite insensitive to the fitted values of the individual channel signal strengths.

The contributions of the main sources of systematic uncertainty to the combined mass measurement are shown in Table IV. In the mass measurement fit, the post-fit values of the most relevant nuisance parameters, which are related to the photon energy scale, do not show significant deviations from their pre-fit input values.

In order to assess the compatibility of the mass measurements from the two channels, a dedicated test statistic that takes into account correlations between the two measurements is used, as described in Sec. VI. A value of

$$\Delta m_H = 1.47 \pm 0.67(\text{stat}) \pm 0.28(\text{syst}) \text{ GeV}$$
  
= 1.47 ± 0.72 GeV (8)

is derived. From the value of  $-2 \ln \Lambda$  at  $\Delta m_H = 0$ , a compatibility of 4.8%, equivalent to  $1.98\sigma$ , is estimated under the asymptotic assumption. This probability was cross-checked using Monte Carlo ensemble tests. With this approach a compatibility of 4.9% is obtained, corresponding to  $1.97\sigma$ .

As an additional cross-check, some of the systematic uncertainties related to the photon energy scale, namely, the inner detector material uncertainty and the uncertainty in the modeling of the photon lateral leakage, were modeled

TABLE IV. Principal systematic uncertainties on the combined mass. Each uncertainty is determined from the change in the 68% CL range for  $m_H$  when the corresponding nuisance parameter is removed (fixed to its best-fit value), and it is calculated by subtracting this reduced uncertainty from the original uncertainty in quadrature.

Systematic	Uncertainty or m <sub>H</sub> [MeV]
LAr syst on material before presampler (barrel)	70
LAr syst on material after presampler (barrel)	20
LAr cell nonlinearity (layer 2)	60
LAr cell nonlinearity (layer 1)	30
LAr layer calibration (barrel)	50
Lateral shower shape (conv)	50
Lateral shower shape (unconv)	40
Presampler energy scale (barrel)	20
ID material model ( $ \eta  < 1.1$ )	50
$H \rightarrow \gamma \gamma$ background model (unconv rest low $p_{Tt}$	) 40
$Z \rightarrow ee$ calibration	50
Primary vertex effect on mass scale	20
Muon momentum scale	10
Remaining systematic uncertainties	70
Total	180

using a "boxlike" PDF defined as a double Fermi-Dirac function. This choice is compatible with the fact that for these uncertainties the data do not suggest a preferred value within the systematic error range. In this case the compatibility between the two masses increases to 7.5%, equivalent to  $1.8\sigma$ . The compatibility between the two measurements increases to 11% ( $1.6\sigma$ ) if the two signal strengths are set to the SM value of 1, instead of being treated as free parameters.

With respect to the value published in Ref. [15], the compatibility between the measurements from the individual channels has changed from  $2.5\sigma$  to  $2.0\sigma$ .

## VIII. CONCLUSIONS

An improved measurement of the mass of the Higgs boson has been derived from a combined fit to the invariant mass spectra of the decay channels  $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ and  $H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4\ell$ . These measurements are based on the *pp* collision data sample recorded by the ATLAS experiment at the CERN Large Hadron Collider at centerof-mass energies of  $\sqrt{s} = 7$  TeV and  $\sqrt{s} = 8$  TeV, corresponding to an integrated luminosity of 25 fb<sup>-1</sup>. As shown in Table V, the measured values of the Higgs boson mass for the  $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$  and  $H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4\ell$  channels are 125.98  $\pm 0.42$ (stat)  $\pm 0.28$ (syst) GeV and 124.51 $\pm$ 0.52(stat)  $\pm 0.06$ (syst) GeV, respectively. The compatibility between the mass measurements from the two individual channels is at the level of  $2.0\sigma$  corresponding to a probability of 4.8%.

From the combination of these two channels, the value of  $m_H = 125.36 \pm 0.37(\text{stat}) \pm 0.18(\text{syst})$  GeV is obtained.

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Channel	Mass measurement [GeV]
$\begin{array}{c} H \to \gamma \gamma \\ H \to ZZ^* \to 4\ell \end{array}$	$125.98 \pm 0.42(\text{stat}) \pm 0.28(\text{syst}) = 125.98 \pm 0.50$ $124.51 \pm 0.52(\text{stat}) \pm 0.06(\text{syst}) = 124.51 \pm 0.52$
Combined	$125.36 \pm 0.37(\text{stat}) \pm 0.18(\text{syst}) = 125.36 \pm 0.41$

These results are based on improved calibrations for photons, electrons and muons and on improved analysis techniques with respect to Ref. [15], and they supersede the previous results.

Upper limits on the total width of the Higgs boson are derived from fits to the mass spectra of the  $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ and  $H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4\ell$  decay channels, under the assumption that there is no interference with background processes. In the  $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$  channel, a 95% CL limit of 5.0 (6.2) GeV is observed (expected). In the  $H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4\ell$  channel, a 95% CL limit of 2.6 (6.2) GeV is observed (expected).

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## Measurements of Higgs boson production and couplings in the four-lepton channel in *pp* collisions at center-of-mass energies of 7 and 8 TeV with the ATLAS detector

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The final ATLAS Run 1 measurements of Higgs boson production and couplings in the decay channel  $H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow \ell^+ \ell^- \ell^+ \ell^{+-}$ , where  $\ell', \ell' = e$  or  $\mu$ , are presented. These measurements were performed using pp collision data corresponding to integrated luminosities of 4.5 and 20.3 fb<sup>-1</sup> at center-of-mass energies of 7 and 8 TeV, respectively, recorded with the ATLAS detector at the LHC. The  $H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4\ell'$  signal is observed with a significance of 8.1 standard deviations, with an expectation of 6.2 standard deviations, at  $m_H = 125.36$  GeV, the combined ATLAS measurement of the Higgs boson mass from the  $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$  and  $H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4\ell'$  channels. The production rate relative to the Standard Model expectation, the signal strength, is measured in four different production categories in the  $H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4\ell'$  channel. The measured signal strength, at this mass, and with all categories combined, is  $1.44^{+0.40}_{-0.31}$ . The signal strength for Higgs boson production in gluon fusion or in association with  $t\bar{t}$  or  $b\bar{b}$  pairs is found to be  $1.7^{+0.5}_{-0.4}$ , while the signal strength for vector-boson fusion combined with WH/ZH associated production is found to be  $0.3^{+1.6}_{-0.4}$ .

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#### I. INTRODUCTION

In the Standard Model (SM) the Brout-Englert-Higgs (BEH) mechanism is the source of electroweak symmetry breaking and results in the appearance of a fundamental scalar particle, the Higgs boson [1–3]. The ATLAS and CMS experiments have reported the observation of a particle in the search for the SM Higgs boson [4,5], where the most sensitive channels are  $H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4\ell$ ,  $H \rightarrow WW^* \rightarrow \ell\nu\ell\nu$  and  $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ . An important step in the confirmation of the new particle as the SM Higgs boson is the measurement of its properties, which are completely defined in the SM once its mass is known. Previous ATLAS studies [6,7] have shown that this particle is consistent with the SM Higgs boson.

The Higgs boson decay to four leptons,  $H \to ZZ^* \to 4\ell$ , where  $\ell = e$  or  $\mu$ , provides good sensitivity for the measurement of the Higgs boson properties due to its high signal-to-background ratio, which is about 2 for each of the four final states:  $\mu^+\mu^-\mu^+\mu^-$  (4 $\mu$ ),  $e^+e^-\mu^+\mu^-$  (2 $e^2\mu$ ),  $\mu^+\mu^-e^+e^-$  (2 $\mu$ 2e), and  $e^+e^-e^+e^-$  (4e), where the first lepton pair is defined to be the one with the dilepton invariant mass closest to the Z boson mass. The contribution to these final states from  $H \to ZZ^*$ ,  $Z^{(*)} \to \tau^+\tau^$ decays is below the per mille level in the current analysis. The largest background in this search comes from continuum ( $Z^{(*)}/\gamma^*$ )( $Z^{(*)}/\gamma^*$ ) production, referred to as  $ZZ^*$ hereafter. For the four-lepton events with an invariant

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mass,  $m_{4\ell}$ , below about 160 GeV, there are also important background contributions from Z + jets and  $t\bar{t}$  production with two prompt leptons, where the additional charged lepton candidates arise from decays of hadrons with *b*- or *c*-quark content, from photon conversions or from misidentification of jets.

Interference effects are expected between the Higgs boson signal and SM background processes. For the  $H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4\ell$  channel, the impact of this interference on the mass spectrum near the resonance is negligible [8]. This analysis does not account for interference effects in the mass spectra.

In the SM, the inclusive production of the  $H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4\ell$  final state is dominated by the gluon fusion (ggF) Higgs boson production mode, which represents 86% of the total production cross section for  $m_H = 125$  GeV at  $\sqrt{s} = 8$  TeV. Searching for Higgs boson production in the vector-boson fusion (VBF) and the vector-boson associated production (VH) modes allows further exploration of the coupling structure of the new particle. The corresponding fractions of the production cross section for VBF and VH are predicted to be 7% and 5%, respectively.

This paper presents the final ATLAS Run 1 results of the measurement of the SM Higgs boson production in the  $H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4\ell$  decay mode, where the production is studied both inclusively and with events categorized according to the characteristics of the different production modes. The categorized analysis allows constraints to be placed on possible deviations from the expected couplings of the SM Higgs boson. The data sample used corresponds to an integrated luminosity of 4.5 fb<sup>-1</sup> at a center-of-mass energy of 7 TeV and 20.3 fb<sup>-1</sup> at a center-of-mass energy of 8 TeV, collected in the years 2011 and 2012, respectively.

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The method adopted to extract the production rates simultaneously provides a measurement of the Higgs boson mass. The measurement of the Higgs boson mass for this channel, performed in combination with the  $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$  decay mode, is discussed in Ref. [9] and is only covered briefly here. This paper contains a full description of the signal and background simulation, the object reconstruction and identification, the event selection and the background estimations of the  $H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4\ell$  decay mode, providing the details for other Run 1 final results, including the combined mass measurement, reported elsewhere. The corresponding final Run 1 CMS results for the  $H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4\ell$  decay mode have been reported in Ref. [10].

The present analysis improves on the earlier result [6] with the following changes: (a) the electron identification uses a multivariate likelihood instead of a cut-based method, improving the background rejection at a fixed efficiency; (b) the electron transverse energy  $(E_T)$  measurement has been improved by a refined cluster energy reconstruction in the calorimeter and by combining the electron cluster energy with the track momentum for low- $E_{\rm T}$  electrons; (c) the energy scale for electrons and momentum scale for muons have both been improved: (d) the inclusion of final-state radiation (FSR) off charged leptons has been extended to noncollinear photons; (e) a multivariate discriminant against the ZZ\* background has been introduced to improve the signal-to-background ratio for the ggF production mode; (f) the estimates of the reducible  $\ell \ell$  + jets and  $t\bar{t}$  background processes have been improved; (g) the sensitivity for different production modes has been improved, both by introducing a new VH category with two jets in the final state and by using multivariate techniques for this category and the VBF category.

The ATLAS detector is briefly described in Sec. II, and the signal and background simulation is presented in Sec. III. The object reconstruction and identification, the event selection and categorization, and the background estimation are presented in Secs. IV, V and VI, respectively. The multivariate discriminants and the signal and background modeling are discussed in Secs. VII and VIII. Finally, the systematic uncertainties and the results are presented in Secs. IX and X.

### **II. THE ATLAS DETECTOR**

The ATLAS detector [11] is a multipurpose particle detector with approximately forward-backward symmetric cylindrical geometry.<sup>1</sup> The inner tracking detector (ID)

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consists of a silicon pixel detector, which is closest to the interaction point, and a silicon microstrip detector surrounding the pixel detector, both covering  $|\eta| < 2.5$ , followed by a transition radiation straw-tube tracker (TRT) covering  $|\eta| < 2$ . The ID is surrounded by a thin superconducting solenoid providing a 2 T axial magnetic field. A highly segmented lead/liquid-argon (LAr) sampling electromagnetic calorimeter measures the energy and the position of electromagnetic showers with  $|\eta| < 3.2$ . The LAr calorimeter includes a presampler (for  $|\eta| < 1.8$ ) and three sampling layers, longitudinal in shower depth, for  $|\eta| < 2.5$ . LAr sampling calorimeters are also used to measure hadronic showers in the end-caps  $(1.5 < |\eta| < 3.2)$  and electromagnetic and hadronic showers in the forward  $(3.1 < |\eta| < 4.9)$  regions, while an iron/ scintillator tile calorimeter measures hadronic showers in the central region ( $|\eta| < 1.7$ ).

The muon spectrometer (MS) surrounds the calorimeters and is designed to detect muons in the pseudorapidity range up to  $|\eta| = 2.7$ . The MS consists of one barrel ( $|\eta| < 1.05$ ) and two end-cap regions. A system of three large superconducting air-core toroid magnets, each with eight coils, provides a magnetic field with a bending integral of about 2.5 Tm in the barrel and up to 6 Tm in the end-caps. Monitored drift-tube chambers in both the barrel and end cap regions and cathode strip chambers covering  $|\eta| > 2$  are used as precision chambers, whereas resistive plate chambers in the barrel and thin gap chambers in the end caps are used as trigger chambers, covering up to  $|\eta| = 2.4$ . The chambers are arranged in three layers, so high- $p_{\rm T}$  particles traverse at least three stations with a lever arm of several meters.

A three-level trigger system selects events to be recorded for offline analysis.

## **III. SIGNAL AND BACKGROUND SIMULATION**

The  $H \to ZZ^* \to 4\ell$  signal is modeled using the POWHEG-BOX Monte Carlo (MC) event generator [12-16], which provides separate calculations for the ggF and VBF production mechanisms with matrix elements up to next-to-leading order (NLO) in the QCD coupling constant. The description of the Higgs boson transverse momentum  $(p_T)$  spectrum in the ggF process is reweighted to follow the calculation of Refs. [17,18], which includes QCD corrections up to next-to-next-to-leading order (NNLO) and QCD soft-gluon resummations up to nextto-next-to-leading logarithm (NNLL). The effects of nonzero quark masses are also taken into account [19]. POWHEG-BOX is interfaced to PYTHIA8.1 [20,21] for showering and hadronization, which in turn is interfaced to PHOTOS [22,23] for QED radiative corrections in the final state. PYTHIA8.1 is used to simulate the production of a Higgs boson in association with a W or a Z boson (VH) or with a  $t\bar{t}$  pair ( $t\bar{t}H$ ). The production of a Higgs boson in association with a  $b\bar{b}$  pair  $(b\bar{b}H)$  is included in the signal

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>The ATLAS experiment uses a right-handed coordinate system with its origin at the nominal interaction point (IP) in the center of the detector and the *z*-axis along the beam pipe. The *x*-axis points from the IP to the center of the LHC ring, and the *y*-axis points upward. Cylindrical coordinates  $(r, \phi)$  are used in the transverse plane,  $\phi$  being the azimuthal angle around the beam pipe. The pseudorapidity is defined in terms of the polar angle  $\theta$  as  $\eta = -\ln \tan(\theta/2)$ .

yield assuming the same  $m_H$  dependence as for the  $t\bar{t}H$  process, while the signal efficiency is assumed to be equal to that for ggF production.

The Higgs boson production cross sections and decay branching ratios, as well as their uncertainties, are taken from Refs. [24,25]. The cross sections for the ggF process have been calculated to NLO [26-28] and NNLO [29-31] in OCD. In addition, OCD soft-gluon resummations calculated in the NNLL approximation are applied for the ggF process [32]. NLO electroweak (EW) radiative corrections are also applied [33,34]. These results are compiled in Refs. [35-37] assuming factorization between QCD and EW corrections. For the VBF process, full QCD and EW corrections up to NLO [38-40] and approximate NNLO OCD [41] corrections are used to calculate the cross section. The cross sections for the associated WH/ZHproduction processes are calculated at NLO [42] and at NNLO [43] in QCD, and NLO EW radiative corrections are applied [44]. The cross section for associated Higgs boson production with a  $t\bar{t}$  pair is calculated at NLO in QCD [45–48]. The cross section for the  $b\bar{b}H$  process is calculated in the four-flavor scheme at NLO in QCD [49-51] and in the five-flavor scheme at NNLO in QCD [52] and combined via the Santander matching scheme [25,53].

The Higgs boson decay widths for the WW and ZZ four-lepton final states are provided by PROPHECY4F [54,55], which includes the complete NLO QCD + EW corrections and interference effects between identical final-state fermions. The other Higgs boson decay widths, e.g.  $\gamma\gamma$ ,  $\tau\tau$ ,  $b\bar{b}$ , etc., are obtained with HDECAY [56] and combined with the PROPHECY4F results to obtain the  $H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4\ell$  branching ratios. Table I gives the production cross sections and branching ratios for  $H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4\ell$ , which are used to normalize the signal simulation, for several values of  $m_H$ .

The QCD scale uncertainties for  $m_H = 125$  GeV [24] amount to +7% and -8% for the ggF process, from ±1% to ±2% for the VBF and associated WH/ZH production processes and +4% and -9% for the associated  $t\bar{t}H$ production process. The uncertainties on the production cross section due to uncertainties on the parton distribution functions (PDF) and the strong coupling constant,  $\alpha_s$ , is ±8% for gluon-initiated processes and ±4% for quarkinitiated processes, estimated by following the prescription in Ref. [57] and by using the PDF sets of CTEQ [58], MSTW [59] and NNPDF [60]. The PDF uncertainties are assumed to be 100% correlated among processes with identical initial states, regardless of whether they are signal or background [61].

The ZZ<sup>\*</sup> continuum background is modeled using POWHEG-BOX [62] for quark-antiquark annihilation and GG2ZZ [63] for gluon fusion. The PDF +  $\alpha_s$  and QCD scale uncertainties are parametrized as functions of  $m_{4\ell}$  as recommended in Ref. [25]. For the ZZ<sup>\*</sup> background at  $m_{4\ell}$  = 125 GeV, the quark-initiated (gluon-initiated) processes have a QCD scale uncertainty of ±5% (±25%), and ±4% (±8%) for the PDF and  $\alpha_s$  uncertainties, respectively.

The Z + jets production is modeled using ALPGEN [64] and is divided into two sources: Z + light-jets, which includes  $Zc\bar{c}$  in the massless *c*-quark approximation and  $Zb\bar{b}$  with  $b\bar{b}$  from parton showers, and  $Zb\bar{b}$  using matrixelement calculations that take into account the b-quark mass. The MLM [65] matching scheme is used to remove any double counting of identical jets produced via the matrix-element calculation and the parton shower, but this scheme is not implemented for *b*-jets. Therefore,  $b\bar{b}$  pairs with separation  $\Delta R \equiv \sqrt{(\Delta \phi)^2 + (\Delta \eta)^2} > 0.4$  between the *b*-quarks are taken from the matrix-element calculation, whereas for  $\Delta R < 0.4$  the parton-shower  $b\bar{b}$  pairs are used. In this search the Z + jets background is normalized using control samples from data. For comparison between data and simulation, the NNLO QCD FEWZ [66,67] and NLO QCD MCFM [68,69] cross-section calculations are used to normalize the simulations for inclusive Z boson and  $Zb\bar{b}$ production, respectively. The  $t\bar{t}$  background is modeled

TABLE I. Calculated SM Higgs boson production cross sections for gluon fusion, vector-boson fusion and associated production with a *W* or *Z* boson or with a  $b\bar{b}$  or  $t\bar{t}$  pair in pp collisions at  $\sqrt{s}$  of 7 and 8 TeV [24]. The quoted uncertainties correspond to the total theoretical systematic uncertainties calculated by adding in quadrature the QCD scale and PDF +  $\alpha_s$  uncertainties. The decay branching ratio (*B*) for  $H \rightarrow 4\ell$  with  $\ell = e, \mu$ , is reported in the last column [24].

m <sub>H</sub> (GeV)	$\begin{array}{c} \sigma(gg \rightarrow H) \\ (\mathrm{pb}) \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} \sigma(qq' \rightarrow Hqq') \\ (\mathrm{pb}) \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} \sigma(q\bar{q} \rightarrow WH) \\ (\mathrm{pb}) \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} \sigma(q\bar{q}\rightarrow ZH) \\ (\mathrm{pb}) \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} \sigma(q\bar{q}/gg \rightarrow b\bar{b}H/t\bar{t}H) \\ (\mathrm{pb}) \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} B(H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4\ell) \\ (10^{-3}) \end{array}$			
$\sqrt{s} = 7$ TeV									
123 125 127	$\begin{array}{c} 15.6 \pm 1.6 \\ 15.1 \pm 1.6 \\ 14.7 \pm 1.5 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 1.25 \pm 0.03 \\ 1.22 \pm 0.03 \\ 1.20 \pm 0.03 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.61 \pm 0.02 \\ 0.58 \pm 0.02 \\ 0.55 \pm 0.02 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.35 \pm 0.01 \\ 0.34 \pm 0.01 \\ 0.32 \pm 0.01 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.26 \pm 0.04 \\ 0.24 \pm 0.04 \\ 0.23 \pm 0.03 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.103 \pm 0.005 \\ 0.125 \pm 0.005 \\ 0.148 \pm 0.006 \end{array}$			
$\sqrt{s} = 8$ TeV									
123 125 127	$\begin{array}{c} 19.9 \pm 2.1 \\ 19.3 \pm 2.0 \\ 18.7 \pm 1.9 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 1.61 \pm 0.05 \\ 1.58 \pm 0.04 \\ 1.55 \pm 0.04 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.74 \pm 0.02 \\ 0.70 \pm 0.02 \\ 0.67 \pm 0.02 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.44 \pm 0.02 \\ 0.42 \pm 0.02 \\ 0.40 \pm 0.02 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.35 \pm 0.05 \\ 0.33 \pm 0.05 \\ 0.32 \pm 0.05 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.103 \pm 0.005 \\ 0.125 \pm 0.005 \\ 0.148 \pm 0.006 \end{array}$			

using POWHEG-BOX interfaced to PYTHIA8.1 for parton shower and hadronization, PHOTOS for QED radiative corrections and TAUOLA [70,71] for the simulation of  $\tau$ lepton decays. SHERPA [72] is used for the simulation of *WZ* production.

Generated events are processed through the ATLAS detector simulation [73] within the GEANT4 framework [74]. Additional pp interactions in the same and nearby bunch crossings (pileup) are included in the simulation. The simulation samples are weighted to reproduce the observed distribution of the mean number of interactions per bunch crossing in the data.

## IV. OBJECT RECONSTRUCTION AND IDENTIFICATION

The  $H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4\ell$  channel has a small rate but is a relatively clean final state where the signal-to-background ratio *vis-à-vis* the reducible backgrounds alone, i.e. ignoring the  $ZZ^*$  background, is above 6 for the present analysis. Significant effort was made to obtain a high efficiency for the reconstruction and identification of electrons and muons, while keeping the loss due to background rejection as small as possible. In particular, this becomes increasingly difficult for electrons as  $E_{\rm T}$  decreases.

Electrons are reconstructed using information from the ID and the electromagnetic calorimeter. For electrons, background discrimination relies on the shower shape information available from the highly segmented LAr EM calorimeter, high-threshold TRT hits, as well as compatibility of the tracking and calorimeter information. Muons are reconstructed as tracks in the ID and MS, and their identification is primarily based on the presence of a matching track or tag in the MS. Finally, jets are reconstructed from clusters of calorimeter cells and calibrated using a dedicated scheme designed to adjust the energy measured in the calorimeter to that of the true jet energy on average.

#### A. Electron reconstruction and identification

Electron candidates are clusters of energy deposited in the electromagnetic calorimeter associated with ID tracks [75,76]. All candidate electron tracks are fitted using a Gaussian-sum filter [77] (GSF) to account for bremsstrahlung energy losses. The GSF fit brings the candidate electron E/p distribution closer to unity and improves the measured electron direction, resulting in better impact parameter resolution. For the 2012 (8 TeV) data set, the electron reconstruction was modified to allow for large bremsstrahlung energy losses. A second pass was added to the ATLAS track pattern recognition that allows for an electron hypothesis with larger energy loss to be tried after a first pass with a pion hypothesis. Furthermore, the trackto-cluster matching algorithm was improved, for example by incorporating an additional test that extrapolates tracks to the calorimeter using the measured cluster energy rather than the track momentum. These improvements increased the electron reconstruction efficiency on average by 5% for electrons with  $E_{\rm T}$  above 15 GeV, with a 7% improvement for  $E_{\rm T}$  at 15 GeV, as measured with data [78].

The electron identification is based on criteria that require the longitudinal and transverse shower profiles to be consistent with those expected for electromagnetic showers, the track and cluster positions to match in  $\eta$ and  $\phi$ , and the presence of high-threshold TRT hits. To maintain both large acceptance and good discrimination, the selection is kept "loose" for a large number of discriminating variables; for comparison, the most stringent electron identification would induce an additional 15% reduction in electron efficiency. Compared to the previous measurement [6], the electron identification was improved for the 2012 data set by moving from a cut-based method to a likelihood method. The likelihood allows the inclusion of discriminating variables that are difficult to use with explicit cuts without incurring significant efficiency losses. For example, the GSF fit measures a significant difference between the momenta at the start and end of the electron trajectory for only a fraction of true electrons so that requiring a large difference for all electrons would not be an efficient selection cut. The likelihood improves the rejection of light-flavor jets and photon conversions by a factor of 2 for the same signal efficiency. For the 2011 (7 TeV) data set, the electron reconstruction proceeds as described above, but without the improved pattern recognition and cluster-to-track matching. The electron identification used for the 2011 data set is the same cut-based identification as in the previous measurement [6]. Detailed descriptions of the likelihood identification used for the 2012 data set, the cut-based identification used for the 2011 data set and the corresponding efficiency measurements can be found in Refs. [78,79].

Finally, the electron transverse energy is computed from the cluster energy and the track direction at the interaction point. The cluster energy is the sum of the calibrated energy deposited in the cells in a fixed-size window in  $n \times \phi$ . different for the barrel and end-cap. The cluster energy is corrected for energy lost before the calorimeter, deposited in neighboring cells and beyond the calorimeter. Further corrections for the response dependence are applied as a function of the impact point within the central cluster cell. The cluster energy measurement was improved compared to the previous analysis [6] and is described elsewhere [76]. Several of the steps in the energy calibration were significantly improved including: (a) the addition of a multivariate technique to extract the cluster energy from the energy deposit in simulation. (b) additional corrections for response details not included in the simulation, and (c) equalization of the energy scales of the longitudinal calorimeter layers.

These improvements resulted in a significant reduction in the overall energy scale uncertainty (for example for

 $|\eta| < 1.37$  the uncertainty is reduced from 0.4% to 0.04% for electrons of  $E_{\rm T} = 40$  GeV [76]) and have an important impact on the systematic uncertainty of the Higgs boson mass measurement [9]. In addition, a combined fit of the cluster energy and track momentum is applied to electrons with  $E_{\rm T}$  below 30 GeV when the cluster  $E_{\rm T}$  and the track  $p_{\rm T}$  agree within their uncertainties. The combined fit improves the resolution of  $m_{4\ell}$  for the 4e and 2µ2e final states by about 4%.

#### B. Muon reconstruction and identification

Four types of muon candidates are distinguished, depending on how they are reconstructed. Most muon candidates are identified by matching a reconstructed ID track with either a complete or partial track reconstructed in the MS [80,81]. If a complete MS track is present, the two independent momentum measurements are combined (combined muons); otherwise the momentum is measured using the ID, and the partial MS track serves as identification (segment-tagged muons). The muon reconstruction and identification coverage is extended by using tracks reconstructed in the forward region (2.5 <  $|\eta|$  < 2.7) of the MS, which is outside the ID coverage (standalone muons). In the center of the barrel region ( $|\eta| < 0.1$ ), which lacks MS geometrical coverage, ID tracks with  $p_{\rm T} > 15$  GeV are identified as muons if their calorimetric energy deposition is consistent with a minimum ionizing particle (calorimetertagged muons). The inner detector tracks associated with muons that are identified inside the ID acceptance are required to have a minimum number of associated hits in each of the ID subdetectors to ensure good track reconstruction. The muon candidates outside the ID acceptance that are reconstructed only in the MS are required to have hits in each of the three stations they traverse. At most one standalone or calorimeter-tagged muon is used per event.

# C. Final-state radiation recovery

The QED process of radiative photon production in *Z* decays is well modeled by simulation. Some of the FSR photons can be identified in the calorimeter and incorporated into the four-lepton measurement. A dedicated method to include the FSR photons in the reconstruction of *Z* bosons was developed. This method includes a search for collinear and noncollinear FSR photons, with the collinear search described in Ref. [82]. Collinear photons are only associated with muons<sup>2</sup> ( $\Delta R_{cluster,\mu} \leq 0.15$ ), and noncollinear photons can be associated with either muons or electrons ( $\Delta R_{cluster,\ell} > 0.15$ ).

At most one FSR photon is used per event, with priority given to collinear photons. The probability of having more

than one FSR per event with significant energy is negligible. The collinear photons are required to have a transverse energy of  $E_{\rm T} > 1.5$  GeV and a fraction of the total energy deposited in the front sampling layer of the calorimeter greater than 0.1. If more than one collinear photon is found, only the one with the highest  $E_{\rm T}$  is kept. Noncollinear photons must have  $E_{\rm T} > 10$  GeV, be isolated ( $E_{\rm T}$  below 4 GeV within a cone of size  $\Delta R = 0.4$ , excluding the photon itself), and satisfy strict ("tight") identification criteria [83]. Again, only the highest- $E_{\rm T}$ noncollinear photon is retained, and only if no collinear photon is found.

The inclusion of a FSR photon in a four-lepton event is discussed below in Sec. VA. The collinear FSR selection recovers 70% of the FSR photons within the selected fiducial region with a purity of about 85%, where misidentified photons come from pileup and muon ionization. The noncollinear FSR selection has an efficiency of approximately 60% and a purity greater than 95% within the fiducial region.

In Fig. 1, the invariant mass distributions are shown for  $Z \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-$  candidate events where either a collinear [Fig. 1(a)] or noncollinear [Fig. 1(b)] FSR photon is found. The invariant mass distributions are shown both before and after the addition of the FSR photons, for both data and simulation. Good agreement between data and simulation is observed.

#### D. Jet reconstruction

Jets are reconstructed using the anti- $k_t$  algorithm [84,85] with a distance parameter R = 0.4. The inputs to the reconstruction are three-dimensional clusters of energy [86,87] in the calorimeter, calibrated to the electromagnetic energy scale and corrected for contributions from in-time and out-of-time pileup [88], and the position of the primary interaction vertex (see Sec. V). The algorithm for this clustering suppresses noise by keeping only cells with a significant energy deposit and their neighboring cells. Subsequently, the jets are calibrated to the hadronic energy scale using  $p_{T}$ - and *n*-dependent correction factors determined from simulation (2011 data set) and from data (2012 data set) [87,89]. The uncertainty on these correction factors is determined from control samples in data. To reduce the number of jet candidates originating from pileup vertices, jets with  $p_{\rm T} < 50$  GeV within the ID acceptance ( $|\eta| < 2.4$ ) are required to have more than 50% (75%) for 2011 data) of the summed scalar  $p_{\rm T}$  of the tracks associated with the jet (within  $\Delta R = 0.4$  around the jet axis) come from tracks of the primary vertex [90].

# V. EVENT SELECTION

The data are subjected to quality requirements: if any relevant detector component is not operating correctly during a period when an event is recorded, the event is

 $<sup>^{2}\</sup>mbox{Photons}$  collinear to electrons are included in the calorimeter shower.





FIG. 1 (color online). (a) The invariant mass distributions of  $Z \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-(\gamma)$  events in data before collinear FSR correction (filled triangles) and after collinear FSR correction (filled circles), for events with a collinear FSR photon satisfying the selection criteria as described in Sec. IV C. The prediction of the simulation is shown before correction (red histogram) and after correction (blue histogram). (b) The invariant mass distributions of  $Z \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-(\gamma)$  events with a noncollinear FSR photon satisfying the selection criteria as described in Sec. IV C. The prediction of the simulation is shown before correction (red histogram) and after correction (blue histogram).

rejected. Events are required to have at least one vertex with three associated tracks with  $p_{\rm T} > 400$  MeV, and the primary vertex is chosen to be the reconstructed vertex with the largest track  $\sum p_{\rm T}^2$ . Identical requirements are applied to all four-lepton final states. For the inclusive analysis, four-lepton events are selected and classified according to their channel:  $4\mu$ ,  $2e2\mu$ ,  $2\mu2e$ , 4e. These events are subsequently categorized according to their production mechanism to provide measurements of each corresponding signal strength.

# A. Inclusive analysis

Four-lepton events were selected with single-lepton and dilepton triggers. The  $p_{\rm T}$  ( $E_{\rm T}$ ) thresholds for single-muon (single-electron) triggers increased from 18 to 24 GeV (20 to 24 GeV) between the 7 and 8 TeV data, in order to cope with the increasing instantaneous luminosity. The dilepton trigger thresholds for 7 TeV data are set at 10 GeV  $p_{\rm T}$  for muons, 12 GeV  $E_{\rm T}$  for electrons and (6, 10) GeV for (muon, electron) mixed-flavor pairs. For the 8 TeV data, the thresholds were raised to 13 GeV for the dimuon trigger, to 12 GeV for the dielectron trigger and (8, 12) GeV for the (muon, electron) trigger; furthermore, a dimuon trigger with different thresholds on the muon  $p_{\rm T}$ , 8 and 18 GeV, was added. The trigger efficiency for events passing the final selection is above 97% in the  $4\mu$ ,  $2\mu 2e$  and  $2e2\mu$ channels and close to 100% in the 4e channel for both 7 and 8 TeV data.

Higgs boson candidates are formed by selecting two sameflavor, opposite-sign lepton pairs (a lepton quadruplet) in an event. Each lepton is required to have a longitudinal impact parameter less than 10 mm with respect to the primary vertex, and muons are required to have a transverse impact parameter of less than 1 mm to reject cosmic-ray muons. These selections are not applied to standalone muons that have no ID track. Each electron (muon) must satisfy  $E_{\rm T} > 7~{\rm GeV}$ ( $p_{\rm T} > 6~{\rm GeV}$ ) and be measured in the pseudorapidity range  $|\eta| < 2.47$  ( $|\eta| < 2.7$ ). The highest- $p_{\rm T}$  lepton in the quadruplet must satisfy  $p_{\rm T} > 20~{\rm GeV}$ , and the second (third) lepton in  $p_{\rm T}$  order must satisfy  $p_{\rm T} > 15~{\rm GeV}$ ( $p_{\rm T} > 10~{\rm GeV}$ ). Each event is required to have the triggering lepton(s) matched to one or two of the selected leptons.

Multiple quadruplets within a single event are possible: for four muons or four electrons there are two ways to pair the masses, and for five or more leptons there are multiple ways to choose the leptons. Quadruplet selection is done separately in each subchannel:  $4\mu$ ,  $2e^{2}\mu$ ,  $2\mu^{2}e$ , 4e, keeping only a single quadruplet per channel. For each channel, the lepton pair with the mass closest to the Z boson mass is referred to as the leading dilepton and its invariant mass,  $m_{12}$ , is required to be between 50 and 106 GeV. The second, subleading, pair of each channel is chosen from the remaining leptons as the pair closest in mass to the Z boson and in the range  $m_{\rm min} < m_{34} < 115$  GeV, where  $m_{\rm min}$  is 12 GeV for  $m_{4\ell}$  < 140 GeV, rises linearly to 50 GeV at  $m_{4\ell}$  = 190 GeV and then remains at 50 GeV for  $m_{4\ell} > 190$  GeV. Finally, if more than one channel has a quadruplet passing the selection, the channel with the highest expected signal rate is kept, i.e. in the order  $4\mu$ ,

 $2e2\mu$ ,  $2\mu 2e$ , 4e. The rate of two quadruplets in one event is below the per mille level.

Events with a selected quadruplet are required to have their leptons a distance  $\Delta R > 0.1$  from each other if they are of the same flavor and  $\Delta R > 0.2$  otherwise. For  $4\mu$  and 4e events, if an opposite-charge same-flavor dilepton pair is found with  $m_{\ell\ell}$  below 5 GeV the event is removed.

The Z + jets and  $t\bar{t}$  background contributions are further reduced by applying impact parameter requirements as well as track- and calorimeter-based isolation requirements to the leptons. The transverse impact parameter significance, defined as the impact parameter in the transverse plane divided by its uncertainty,  $|d_0|/\sigma_{d_0}$ , for all muons (electrons) is required to be lower than 3.5 (6.5). The normalized track isolation discriminant, defined as the sum of the 2.2 around the lepton, excluding the lepton track, divided by the lepton  $p_{\rm T}$ , is required to be smaller than 0.15.

The relative calorimetric isolation for electrons in the 2012 data set is computed as the sum of the cluster transverse energies  $E_{\rm T}$ , in the electromagnetic and hadronic calorimeters, with a reconstructed barycenter inside a cone of size  $\Delta R = 0.2$  around the candidate electron cluster, divided by the electron  $E_{\rm T}$ . The electron relative calorimetric isolation is required to be smaller than 0.2. The cells within  $0.125 \times$ 0.175 in  $\eta \times \phi$  around the electron barycenter are excluded. The pileup and underlying event contribution to the calorimeter isolation is subtracted event by event [91]. The calorimetric isolation of electrons in the 2011 data set is cell based (electromagnetic and hadronic calorimeters) rather than cluster based, and the calorimeter isolation relative to the electron  $E_{\rm T}$  requirement is 0.3 instead of 0.2. In the case of muons, the relative calorimetric isolation discriminant is defined as the sum,  $\Sigma E_{\rm T}$ , of the calorimeter cells above 3.4 $\sigma$ , where  $\sigma$  is the quadrature sum of the expected electronic and pileup noise, inside a cone of size  $\Delta R < 0.2$  around the muon direction, divided by the muon  $p_{\rm T}$ . Muons are required to have a relative calorimetric isolation less than 0.3 (0.15 in the case of stand-alone muons). For both the track- and calorimeter-based isolations any contributions arising from other leptons of the quadruplet are subtracted.

As discussed in Sec. IV C, a search is performed for FSR photons arising from any of the lepton candidates in the final quadruplet, and at most one FSR photon candidate is added to the  $4\ell$  system. The FSR correction is applied only to the leading dilepton, and priority is given to collinear photons. The correction is applied if  $66 < m_{\mu\mu} < 89$  GeV and  $m_{\mu\mu\gamma} < 100$  GeV. If the collinear-photon search fails then the noncollinear FSR photon with the highest  $E_T$  is added, provided it satisfies the following requirements:  $m_{\ell\ell} < 81$  GeV and  $m_{\ell\ell\gamma} < 100$  GeV. The expected fraction of collinear (noncollinear) corrected events is 4% (1%).

For the 7 TeV data, the combined signal reconstruction and selection efficiency for  $m_H = 125$  GeV is 39% for the  $4\mu$  channel, 25% for the  $2e2\mu/2\mu 2e$  channels and 17% for the 4*e* channel. The improvements in the electron reconstruction and identification for the 8 TeV data lead to increases in these efficiencies by 10%–15% for the channels with electrons, bringing their efficiencies to 27% for the  $2e2\mu/2\mu2e$  channels and 20% for the 4*e* channel.

After the FSR correction, the lepton four-momenta of the leading dilepton are recomputed by means of a Z-massconstrained kinematic fit. The fit uses a Breit-Wigner Z line shape and a single Gaussian to model the lepton momentum response function with the Gaussian  $\sigma$  set to the expected resolution for each lepton. The Z-mass constraint improves the  $m_{4\ell}$  resolution by about 15%. More complex momentum response functions were compared to the single Gaussian and found to have only minimal improvement for the  $m_{4\ell}$  resolution.

Events satisfying the above criteria are considered candidate signal events for the inclusive analysis, defining a signal region independent of the value of  $m_{4\ell}$ .

#### **B.** Event categorization

To measure the rates for the ggF, VBF, and VH production mechanisms, discussed in Sec. III, each  $H \rightarrow 4\ell$  candidate selected by the criteria described above is assigned to one of four categories (VBF enriched, VH-hadronic enriched, VH-leptonic enriched, or ggF enriched), depending on other event characteristics. A schematic view of the event categorization is shown in Fig. 2.



FIG. 2 (color online). Schematic view of the event categorization. Events are required to pass the four-lepton selection, and then they are assigned to one of four categories which are tested sequentially: VBF enriched, VH-hadronic enriched, VH-leptonic enriched, or ggF enriched.



FIG. 3 (color online). Distributions of the dijet invariant mass for the events with at least two jets for the data (filled circles), the expected signal (solid and dot-dot-dashed histograms) and the backgrounds (filled histograms). The WH and ZH hadronic signals are scaled by a factor 50 and the ZH distribution is added on top of the WH distribution.

The VBF enriched category is defined by events with two high- $p_{\rm T}$  jets. The kinematic requirements for jets are  $p_{\rm T} > 25(30)$  GeV for  $|\eta| < 2.5$  (2.5 <  $|\eta| < 4.5$ ). If more than two jets fulfill these requirements, the two highest- $p_{\rm T}$  jets are selected as VBF jets. The event is assigned to the VBF enriched category if the invariant mass of the dijet system,  $m_{jj}$ , is greater than 130 GeV, leading to a signal efficiency of approximately 55%. This category has a considerable contamination from ggF events, with 54% of the expected events in this category arising from production via gluon fusion.

Events that do not satisfy the VBF enriched criteria are considered for the VH-hadronic enriched category. The

same jet-related requirements are applied but with  $40 < m_{jj} < 130$  GeV, as presented in Fig. 3. Moreover, the candidate has to fulfill a requirement on the output weight of a specific multivariate discriminant, presented in Sec. VII B. The signal efficiency for requiring two jets is 48% for VH and applying the multivariate discriminant brings the overall signal efficiency to 25%.

Events failing to satisfy the above criteria are next considered for the VH-leptonic enriched category. Events are assigned to this category if there is an extra lepton (*e* or  $\mu$ ), in addition to the four leptons forming the Higgs boson candidate, with  $p_T > 8$  GeV and satisfying the same lepton requirements. The signal efficiency for the extra vector boson for the VH-leptonic enriched category is around 90% (100%) for the W (Z), where the Z has two leptons which can pass the extra lepton selection.

Finally, events that are not assigned to any of the above categories are associated with the ggF enriched category. Table II shows the expected yields for Higgs boson production and *ZZ*<sup>\*</sup> background events in each category from each of the production mechanisms, for  $m_H = 125$  GeV and 4.5 fb<sup>-1</sup> at  $\sqrt{s} = 7$  TeV and 20.3 fb<sup>-1</sup> at  $\sqrt{s} = 8$  TeV.

# **VI. Background Estimation**

The rate of the ZZ<sup>\*</sup> background is estimated using simulation normalized to the SM cross section as described in Sec. III, while the rate and composition of the reducible  $\ell\ell$  + jets and  $t\bar{t}$  background processes are evaluated with data-driven methods. The composition of the reducible backgrounds depends on the flavor of the subleading dilepton pair, and different approaches are taken for the  $\ell\ell$  +  $\mu\mu$  and the  $\ell\ell$  + *ee* final states. These two cases are discussed in Secs. VIA and VIB, respectively, and the yields for all reducible backgrounds in the signal region are summarized in Tables V and VII. Finally, the small contribution from the WZ reducible background is

TABLE II. The expected number of events in each category (ggF enriched, VBF enriched, VH-hadronic enriched and VH-leptonic enriched), after all analysis criteria are applied, for each signal production mechanism (ggF/ $b\bar{b}H/t\bar{t}H$ , VBF, VH) at  $m_H = 125$  GeV, for 4.5 fb<sup>-1</sup> at  $\sqrt{s} = 7$  TeV and 20.3 fb<sup>-1</sup> at  $\sqrt{s} = 8$  TeV. The requirement  $m_{4\ell} > 110$  GeV is applied.

Category	$gg \rightarrow H,  q\bar{q}/gg \rightarrow b\bar{b}H/t\bar{t}H$	$qq' \to Hqq'$	$q\bar{q} \rightarrow W/ZH$
	$\sqrt{s} = 7 \text{ TeV}$		
ggF enriched	$2.06 \pm 0.25$	$0.114\pm0.005$	$0.067 \pm 0.003$
VBF enriched	$0.13 \pm 0.04$	$0.137 \pm 0.009$	$0.015\pm0.001$
VH-hadronic enriched	$0.053 \pm 0.018$	$0.007 \pm 0.001$	$0.038 \pm 0.002$
VH-leptonic enriched	$0.005 \pm 0.001$	$0.0007 \pm 0.0001$	$0.023\pm0.002$
	$\sqrt{s} = 8 \text{ TeV}$		
ggF enriched	$12.0 \pm 1.4$	$0.52\pm0.02$	$0.37\pm0.02$
VBF enriched	$1.2 \pm 0.4$	$0.69 \pm 0.05$	$0.10\pm0.01$
VH-hadronic enriched	$0.41 \pm 0.14$	$0.030 \pm 0.004$	$0.21 \pm 0.01$
VH-leptonic enriched	$0.021\pm0.003$	$0.0009 \pm 0.0002$	$0.13\pm0.01$

estimated from simulation. The background estimation follows the methods previously described in Refs. [4,92] with several improvements and additional cross-checks.

# A. $\ell\ell + \mu\mu$ background

The  $\ell \ell + \mu \mu$  reducible background arises from Z + jetsand  $t\bar{t}$  processes, where the Z + jets contribution has a  $Zb\bar{b}$ heavy-flavor quark component in which the heavy-flavor quarks decay semileptonically, and a component arising from Z + light-flavor jets with subsequent  $\pi/K$  in-flight decays. The number of background events from Z + ietsand  $t\bar{t}$  production is estimated from an unbinned maximum likelihood fit, performed simultaneously to four orthogonal control regions, each of them providing information on one or more of the background components. The fit results are expressed in terms of yields in a reference control region, defined by applying the analysis event selection except for the isolation and impact parameter requirements to the subleading dilepton pair. The reference control region is also used for the validation of the estimates. Finally, the background estimates in the reference control region are extrapolated to the signal region.

The control regions used in the maximum likelihood fit are designed to minimize contamination from the Higgs boson signal and the  $ZZ^*$  background. The four control regions are

- (a) Inverted requirement on impact parameter significance. Candidates are selected following the analysis event selection, but (1) without applying the isolation requirement to the muons of the subleading dilepton and (2) requiring that at least one of the two muons fails the impact parameter significance requirement. As a result, this control region is enriched in  $Zb\bar{b}$  and  $t\bar{t}$  events.
- (b) Inverted requirement on isolation. Candidates are selected following the analysis event selection, but requiring that at least one of the muons of the subleading dilepton fails the isolation requirement. As a result, this control region is enriched in Z + light-flavor-jet events (π/K in-flight decays) and tī events.
- (c)  $e\mu$  leading dilepton  $(e\mu + \mu\mu)$ . Candidates are selected following the analysis event selection, but requiring the leading dilepton to be an electron-muon pair. Moreover, the isolation and impact parameter

requirements are not applied to the muons of the subleading dilepton, which are also allowed to have the same or opposite charge sign. Events containing a Z-boson candidate decaying into  $e^+e^-$  or  $\mu^+\mu^-$  pairs are removed with a requirement on the mass. This control region is dominated by  $t\bar{t}$  events.

(d) Same-sign subleading dilepton. The analysis event selection is applied, but for the subleading dilepton neither isolation nor impact parameter significance requirements are applied and the leptons are required to have the same charge sign (SS). This same-sign control region is not dominated by a specific background; all the reducible backgrounds have a significant contribution.

The expected composition for each control region is shown in Table III. The uncertainties on the relative yields between the control regions and the reference control region are introduced in the maximum likelihood fit as nuisance parameters. The residual contribution from  $ZZ^*$  and the contribution from WZ production, where contrary to the Z + jets and  $t\bar{t}$  backgrounds—only one of the leptons in the subleading dilepton is expected to be a nonisolated backgroundlike muon, are estimated for each control region from simulation.

In all the control regions, the observable is the mass of the leading dilepton,  $m_{12}$ , which peaks at the Z mass for the resonant (Z + jets) component and has a broad distribution for the nonresonant  $(t\bar{t})$  component. For the  $t\bar{t}$  component the  $m_{12}$  distribution is modeled by a second-order Chebyshev polynomial, while for the Z + jets component it is modeled using a convolution of a Breit-Wigner distribution with a Crystal Ball function. The shape parameters are derived from simulation. In the combined fit, the shape parameters are constrained to be the same in each of the control regions, and are allowed to fluctuate within the uncertainties obtained from simulation. The results of the combined fit in the four control regions are shown in Fig. 4, along with the individual background components, while the event yields in the reference control region are summarized in Table IV. As a validation of the fit method, the maximum likelihood fit is applied to the individual control regions yielding estimates compatible to those of the combined fit: these are also summarized in Table IV.

The estimated yields in the reference control region are extrapolated to the signal region by multiplying each

TABLE III. Expected contribution of the  $\ell\ell + \mu\mu$  background sources in each of the control regions.

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Background	Inverted $d_0$	Inverted isolation	$e\mu + \mu\mu$	Same-sign
$Zb\bar{b}$ $Z \pm light-flavor jets$	$32.8 \pm 0.5\%$ 9.2 + 1.3%	$26.5 \pm 1.2\%$ 39.3 + 2.6%	$0.3 \pm 1.2\%$ 0.0 ± 0.8%	$30.6 \pm 0.7\%$ 16.9 ± 1.6%
$t\bar{t}$	$58.0 \pm 0.9\%$	$34.2 \pm 1.6\%$	$99.7 \pm 1.0\%$	$52.5 \pm 1.1\%$

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FIG. 4 (color online). The observed  $m_{12}$  distributions (filled circles) and the results of the maximum likelihood fit are presented for the four control regions: (a) inverted requirement on impact parameter significance, (b) inverted requirement on isolation, (c)  $e\mu$  leading dilepton, where the backgrounds besides  $t\bar{t}$  are small and not visible, and (d) same-sign subleading dilepton. The fit results are shown for the total background (black line) as well as the individual components: Z + jets decomposed into  $Z + b\bar{b}$  (blue line) and Z + light-flavor jets (green line),  $t\bar{t}$  (dashed red line), and the combined WZ and ZZ (dashed gray line), where the WZ and ZZ contributions are estimated from simulation.

background component by the probability of satisfying the isolation and impact parameter significance requirements, estimated from the relevant simulated sample. The systematic uncertainty in these transfer factors, stemming mostly from the size of the simulated sample, is 6% for  $Zb\bar{b}$ , 60% for Z + light-flavor jets and 16% for  $r\bar{t}$ . Furthermore, these simulation-based efficiencies are validated with data using muons accompanying  $Z \rightarrow \ell\ell$  candidates, where the leptons composing the Z boson candidate are required to satisfy isolation and impact parameter criteria. Events with four leptons, or with an opposite-sign dimuon with mass less than 5 GeV, are excluded. Based on the data/simulation agreement of the efficiencies in this control region an additional systematic uncertainty of 1.6% is added. Figure 5 shows the relative difference between the ID

and MS  $p_{\rm T}$  measurements for combined muons for a subset of the Z + X control region where the X represents a single combined muon. The contribution from  $\pi/K$  in-flight decays is clearly visible and well described by the simulation.

The reducible background estimates in the signal region are given in Table V, separately for the  $\sqrt{s} = 7$  TeV and 8 TeV data. The uncertainties are separated into statistical and systematic contributions, where in the latter the transfer factor uncertainty and the fit systematic uncertainties are included.

# B. *ll* + *ee* background

The background for subleading electron pairs arises from jets misidentified as electrons. The background is classified

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TABLE IV. Data-driven  $\ell\ell + \mu\mu$  background estimates for the  $\sqrt{s} = 7$  TeV and  $\sqrt{s} = 8$  TeV data, expressed as yields in the reference control region, for the combined fit and fits to the individual control regions. In the individual control regions only the total Z+jets contribution can be determined, while the  $e\mu + \mu\mu$  control region is only sensitive to the  $t\bar{t}$  background. The statistical uncertainties are also shown.

Reducible background yields for $4\mu$ and $2e2\mu$ in reference control region							
Control region	$Zb\bar{b}$	Z + light-flavor jets	Total $Z + jets$	tī			
Combined fit	$159 \pm 20$	$49 \pm 10$	$208\pm22$	$210 \pm 12$			
Inverted impact parameter			$206 \pm 18$	$208\pm23$			
Inverted isolation			$210 \pm 21$	$201 \pm 24$			
$e\mu + \mu\mu$			-	$201 \pm 12$			
Same-sign dilepton			$198\pm20$	$196\pm22$			

into three distinct sources: light-flavor jets (f), photon conversions ( $\gamma$ ) and heavy-flavor semileptonic decays (q). These sources are identified exactly in simulated background events. In addition, corresponding data control regions are defined which are enriched in events associated with each of these sources, thus allowing data-driven classification of reconstructed events into matching categories. For the background estimation, two types of control regions are defined:

(i) the first, denoted as 3ℓ + X, in which the identification requirements for the lower-p<sub>T</sub> electron of the subleading pair are relaxed;



FIG. 5 (color online). The distribution of the difference between the transverse momentum measured in the ID and in the MS normalized to the ID measurement,  $(p_{\rm TD} - p_{\rm TMS})/p_{\rm TD}$ , for combined muons accompanying a  $Z \to \ell \ell$  candidate. The data (filled circles) are compared to the background simulation (filled histograms) which has the Z + light-flavor background shown separately to distinguish the contribution from  $\pi/K$  in-flight decays. The additional muon is selected to be a combined muon with  $p_{\rm T} > 6$  GeV, which fulfills the  $\Delta R$  requirement for the lepton separation of the analysis and in the case of  $Z(\to \mu^+\mu^-) + \mu$  final state, the opposite sign pairs are required to have  $m_{\mu^+\mu^-} > 5$  GeV to remove  $J/\psi$  decays.

(ii) the second, denoted as ℓℓ + XX, which comes in two variants: one in which the identification requirements for both electrons of the subleading pair are relaxed, and another in which an inverted selection is applied to the subleading pair.

In both cases, the leading pair satisfies the complete event selection. The final background estimate is obtained from the  $3\ell + X$  region, while the estimates from the  $\ell\ell + XX$  region are used as cross-checks.

The efficiencies needed to extrapolate the different background sources from the control regions into the signal region are obtained separately for each of the f,  $\gamma$ , qbackground sources, in  $p_{\rm T}$  and  $\eta$  bins, from simulation. These simulation-based efficiencies are corrected to correspond to the efficiency measured in data using a third type of control region, denoted as Z + X, enhanced for each X component. The Z + X control region has a leading lepton pair, compatible with the decay of a Z boson, passing the full event selection and an additional object (X) that satisfies the relaxed identification for the specific control region to be extrapolated. The Z + X data sample is significantly larger than the background control data samples. For all of the methods, the extrapolation from the background control region,  $3\ell + X$  or  $\ell \ell + XX$ , to the signal region cannot be done directly with the efficiencies from the Z + X data control region due to differences in the fractions of f,  $\gamma$ , q for the X of the two control regions. In the following, the q contribution in the simulation is increased by a factor of 1.4 to match the data.

#### 1. Background estimation from $3\ell + X$

This method uses the  $3\ell + X$  data control region with one loosely identified lepton for normalization. The control region is then fit using templates derived from simulation to determine the composition in terms of the three background sources f,  $\gamma$ , q, and these components are extrapolated individually to the signal region using the efficiency from the Z + X control region.

The background estimation from the  $3\ell + X$  region uses data that has quadruplets built as for the full analysis, with the exception that the full selection is applied to only the three highest- $p_T$  leptons. Relaxed requirements are applied

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TABLE V. Estimates for the  $\ell\ell + \mu\mu$  background in the signal region for the full  $m_{4\ell}$  mass range for the  $\sqrt{s} = 7$  TeV and  $\sqrt{s} = 8$  TeV data. The Z + jets and  $t\bar{t}$  background estimates are data-driven and the WZ contribution is from simulation. The decomposition of the Z + jets background in terms of the  $Zb\bar{b}$  and the Z + light-flavor-jets contributions is also provided.

Background	$4\mu$	2 <i>e</i> 2µ
	$\sqrt{s} = 7 \text{ TeV}$	
Z + jets $t\bar{t}$ WZ expectation	$\begin{array}{c} 0.42 \pm 0.21(stat) \pm 0.08(syst) \\ 0.081 \pm 0.016(stat) \pm 0.021(syst) \\ 0.08 \pm 0.05 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.29 \pm 0.14(stat) \pm 0.05(syst) \\ 0.056 \pm 0.011(stat) \pm 0.015(syst) \\ 0.19 \pm 0.10 \end{array}$
	Z + jets decomposition	
$Zb\bar{b}$ Z + light-flavor jets	$0.36 \pm 0.19(\text{stat}) \pm 0.07(\text{syst})$ $0.06 \pm 0.08(\text{stat}) \pm 0.04(\text{syst})$ $\sqrt{s} = 8 \text{ TeV}$	$\begin{array}{c} 0.25 \pm 0.13(\text{stat}) \pm 0.05(\text{syst}) \\ 0.04 \pm 0.06(\text{stat}) \pm 0.02(\text{syst}) \end{array}$
Z + jets $t\bar{t}$ WZ expectation	$\begin{array}{c} 3.11 \pm 0.46(\mathrm{stat}) \pm 0.43(\mathrm{syst}) \\ 0.51 \pm 0.03(\mathrm{stat}) \pm 0.09(\mathrm{syst}) \\ 0.42 \pm 0.07 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 2.58 \pm 0.39(stat) \pm 0.43(syst) \\ 0.48 \pm 0.03(stat) \pm 0.08(syst) \\ 0.44 \pm 0.06 \end{array}$
	Z + jets decomposition	
Zbb Z + light-flavor jets	$\begin{array}{c} 2.30 \pm 0.26(stat) \pm 0.14(syst) \\ 0.81 \pm 0.38(stat) \pm 0.41(syst) \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 2.01 \pm 0.23(stat) \pm 0.13(syst) \\ 0.57 \pm 0.31(stat) \pm 0.41(syst) \end{array}$

to the lowest- $p_T$  electron: only a track with a minimum number of silicon hits which matches a cluster is required and the electron identification and isolation/impact parameter significance selection criteria are not applied. In addition, the subleading electron pair is required to have the same sign for both charges (SS) to minimize the contribution from the ZZ\* background. A residual ZZ\* component with a magnitude of 5% of the background estimate survives the SS selection, and is subtracted to get the final estimate.

By requiring only a single electron with relaxed selection, the composition of the control region is simplified when compared with the other  $\ell\ell + XX$  control regions, and the yields of the different background components can be extracted with a two-dimensional fit. Two variables, the number of hits in the innermost layer of the pixel detector  $(n_{\text{hits}}^{B-layer})$  and the ratio of the number of high-threshold to low-threshold TRT hits  $(r_{\text{TRT}})$ ,<sup>3</sup> allow the separation of the  $f, \gamma$  and q components, since most photons convert after the innermost pixel layer, and hadrons faking electrons have a lower  $r_{\text{TRT}}$  compared to conversions and heavy-flavor electrons. Templates for the fit are taken from the Z + Xsimulation after applying corrections from data.

The results of the fit are shown in Fig. 6, for the  $2\mu 2e$  and 4e channels combined. The *sPlot* method [93] is used to unfold the contributions from the different background sources as a function of electron  $p_{\rm T}$ . The background

estimates for the f,  $\gamma$  and q components in the control region, averaged over the  $2\mu 2e$  and 4e channels, are summarized in Table VI.

To extrapolate the  $f, \gamma$  and q components from the  $3\ell +$ X control region to the signal region, the efficiency for the different components to satisfy all selection criteria is obtained from the Z + X simulation. As previously mentioned, the simulation efficiency for each component is corrected by comparing with data using the Z + X control region with an adjusted selection to enrich it for each specific component. For the f component, the simulation efficiency is corrected by a factor between 1.6 and 2.5, rising with increasing  $p_{\rm T}$ . The simulation is found to model well the efficiency of the  $\gamma$  component, to within approximately 10%. For the q component, the efficiency is found to be modeled well by simulation, but there is an additional correction, obtained from simulation, to estimate the number of background opposite-sign (OS) events from the number of SS events, which is  $OS/SS \approx 1.7$ . The systematic uncertainty is dominated by these simulation efficiency corrections, corresponding to 30%, 20%, 25% uncertainties for  $f, \gamma, q$ , respectively. The extrapolation efficiency and signal yields are also given in Table VI. After removing the residual  $ZZ^*$  background ( $\approx 5\%$ ), the final results for the  $2\mu 2e$  and 4e reducible backgrounds are given in Table VII.

# 2. Background estimation from the $\ell\ell + XX$ region using the transfer-factor method

The transfer-factor method starts from the  $\ell \ell + XX$  control region in data with two leptons with inverted

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>A large number of hits above a high signal pulse-height threshold is an indication of the presence of transition radiation, which is more probable for electrons than for pions.

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FIG. 6 (color online). The results of a simultaneous fit to (a)  $n_{hits}^{B-layer}$ , the number of hits in the innermost pixel layer, and (b)  $r_{TRT}$ , the ratio of the number of high-threshold to low-threshold TRT hits, for the background components in the  $3\ell + X$  control region. The fit is performed separately for the  $2\mu 2e$  and 4e channels and summed together in the present plots. The data are represented by the filled circles. The sources of background electrons are denoted as light-flavor jets faking an electron (*f*, green dashed histogram), photon conversions ( $\gamma$ , blue dashed histogram) and electrons from heavy-flavor quark semileptonic decays (*q*, red dashed histogram). The total background is given by the solid blue histogram.

selection requirements. Using the predicted sample composition from simulation, two approaches are taken to obtain transfer factors: one using the Z + X simulation corrected by data, and the other using the Z + X data control region that is enriched to obtain a *q* component matching that of the  $\ell \ell + XX$  control region.

The  $\ell\ell + XX$  data control region has relaxed electron likelihood identification on the *X* pair and requires each *X* to fail one selection among the full electron identification, isolation and impact parameter significance selections, leading to a sample of around 700 events for each of the  $2\mu + XX$  and 2e + XX channels. The inverted selection

removes most of the  $ZZ^*$  background from the control region as well as the Higgs signal. The main challenge is to correctly estimate the extrapolation efficiency, or transfer factor, from the  $\ell\ell + XX$  control region to the signal region using the Z + X sample, since the background composition of f,  $\gamma$  and q is different for the Z + X and  $\ell\ell + XX$  control regions and each of their extrapolation efficiencies is significantly different.

In order to aid in the understanding of the control region composition and to improve the uncertainty on the estimate of the extrapolation to the signal region, each X is assigned to one of two reconstruction categories: electron-like (E) or

TABLE VI. The fit results for the  $3\ell + X$  control region, the extrapolation factors and the signal region yields for the reducible  $\ell\ell + ee$  background. The second column gives the fit yield of each component in the  $3\ell + X$  control region. The corresponding extrapolation efficiency and signal region yield are in the next two columns. The background values represent the sum of the  $2\mu 2e$  and 4e channels. The uncertainties are the combination of the statistical and systematic uncertainties.

$2\mu 2e$ and $4e$ Type	Fit yield in control region	Extrapolation factor	Yield in signal region
		$\sqrt{s} = 7$ TeV data	
f	$391 \pm 29$	$0.010 \pm 0.001$	$3.9 \pm 0.9$
γ	$19 \pm 9$	$0.10 \pm 0.02$	$2.0 \pm 1.0$
<i>q</i>	$5.1 \pm 1.0$	$0.10\pm0.03$	$0.51\pm0.15$
		$\sqrt{s} = 8$ TeV data	
f	$894 \pm 44$	$0.0034 \pm 0.0004$	$3.1 \pm 1.0$
γ	$48 \pm 15$	$0.024 \pm 0.004$	$1.1 \pm 0.6$
<i>q</i>	$18.3\pm3.6$	$0.10\pm0.02$	$1.8\pm0.5$

TABLE VII. Summary of the  $\ell\ell + ee$  data-driven background estimates for the  $\sqrt{s} = 7$  TeV and  $\sqrt{s} = 8$  TeV data for the full  $m_{4\ell}$  mass range. OS (SS) stands for opposite-sign (same-sign) lepton pairs. The "†" symbol indicates the estimates used for the background normalization; the other estimates are used as cross-checks. The first uncertainty is statistical, while the second is systematic. The SS data full analysis is limited to the region with  $m_{4\ell}$  below 160 GeV to avoid a ZZ contribution; this region contains 70% of the expected background.

Method	$\sqrt{s} = 7$ TeV data	$\sqrt{s} = 8$ TeV data
	2µ2e	
$3\ell + X^{\dagger}$	$2.9 \pm 0.5 \pm 0.5$	$2.9\pm0.3\pm0.6$
$\ell\ell + XX$ transfer factor	$2.2 \pm 0.3 \pm 1.1$	$2.5 \pm 0.1 \pm 0.9$
$\ell\ell + XX$ transfer factor <i>b</i> -enriched	$2.8\pm0.5\pm0.8$	$3.2 \pm 0.2 \pm 0.9$
$\ell\ell + XX$ reco-truth	$2.8 \pm 0.4 \pm 1.0$	$2.9 \pm 0.3 \pm 0.3$
$2\mu 2e$ SS data full analysis	1	2
, <u> </u>	4 <i>e</i>	
$3\ell + X^{\dagger}$	$3.3 \pm 0.5 \pm 0.5$	$2.9 \pm 0.3 \pm 0.5$
$\ell\ell + XX$ transfer factor	$2.0 \pm 0.3 \pm 0.9$	$2.4 \pm 0.1 \pm 0.9$
$\ell\ell + XX$ transfer factor <i>b</i> -enriched	$3.4 \pm 0.9 \pm 0.8$	$2.9\pm0.2\pm0.8$
$\ell\ell + XX$ reco-truth	$2.6\pm0.4\pm0.9$	$2.8\pm0.3\pm0.3$
4e SS data full analysis	2	2

fake-like (F), for both data and simulation. For the E category, a selection is applied to enhance the electron content, and the remaining X's fall into the F category. For the  $\ell'\ell + XX$  control region, the composition of X in terms of the background source is balanced between fakes (f) and electrons ( $\gamma$ , q) for the E category corresponding to component fractions of 50% f, 20%  $\gamma$ , and 30% q, and is dominated by fakes for the F category with 92% f, 5%  $\gamma$  and 3% q.

The two approaches taken to estimate the background from the  $\ell \ell + XX$  data control region differ in the way they estimate the extrapolation to the signal region with Z + Xevents. Both approaches separate XX into the four reconstruction categories: EE, EF, FE and FF. The first approach uses the Z + X simulation to determine the transfer factors for X in bins of  $p_{\rm T}$  and  $\eta$ , where the extrapolation efficiency of each background component of the  $\ell \ell + XX$  simulation is combined according to the composition seen in the  $\ell \ell + XX$  simulation. In addition, the simulation extrapolation efficiency is corrected to agree with data as previously described in Sec. VIB1. For the background estimate, the transfer factors are applied to the  $\ell\ell + XX$  data control region, accounting for the inverted selection. The result is corrected by subtracting a small residual  $ZZ^{\ast}$  contribution, and including a WZ contribution that is removed by the inverted selection on the XX; both are estimated with simulation. The background estimate with the transfer-factor method is given in Table VII.

The second approach differs in the manner in which the background composition of the Z + X control region is brought into agreement with the  $\ell'\ell + XX$  control region. The most important difference lies in the heavy-flavor component fraction, which is three times larger in the  $\ell'\ell + XX$  control region and has a significantly larger transfer factor than either the *f* or *y* backgrounds. This approach modifies the composition of the Z + X data control region

by requiring a *b*-jet in each event. By tuning the selection of a multivariate *b*-tagger [94], the *q* and *f* composition of the Z + X control region can be brought into agreement with that of the  $\ell'\ell + XX$  control region to the level of 5%–10%, as seen with simulation. The transfer factors are extracted from the Z + X data control region and applied in bins of  $p_T$  and  $\eta$  as for the other approach, and the systematic uncertainty is estimated in part by varying the operating point used for the multivariate *b*-tagger. Finally, the WZ contribution is accounted for with simulation, as previously. The background estimate from the transfer factors based on *b*-enriched samples is given in Table VII.

# 3. Reco-truth unfolding method

A third method uses the  $\ell \ell + XX$  data control region; however, the two subleading electrons have only the electron identification relaxed and do not have an inverted selection applied as for the transfer-factor method. This control region thus contains all backgrounds, including the  $ZZ^*$  background, and the  $H \to ZZ^* \to 4\ell$  signal. The extrapolation to the signal region is performed with the Z + X simulation. This method was used as the baseline for previous publications [4,6], but is now superseded by the  $3\ell + X$  method, which provides the smallest uncertainties of the data-driven methods. Using the simulation, each of the paired reconstruction categories (EE, EF, FE and FF) of the  $\ell \ell + XX$  sample is decomposed into its background origin components (ee, ff,  $\gamma\gamma$ , qq and the 12 cross combinations), where the e background category is introduced to contain the isolated electrons from ZZ\* and  $H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4\ell$ . This  $4 \times 16$  composition table is summed with efficiency weights, in bins of  $p_{\rm T}$  and  $\eta$ , obtained from the Z + X simulation, which is corrected from comparison with data as previously mentioned. To remove the  $ZZ^*$  and  $H \to ZZ^* \to 4\ell$  contributions from this estimate, the



FIG. 7 (color online). Invariant mass distributions of the lepton pairs in the control sample defined by a Z boson candidate and an additional same-flavor lepton pair, including all signal and background contributions, for the  $\sqrt{s} = 7$  TeV and  $\sqrt{s} = 8$  TeV data sets. The sample is divided according to the flavor of the additional lepton pair. In (a) and (c) the  $m_{12}$  and  $m_{34}$  distributions are presented for  $\ell\ell + \mu^+\mu^-$  events, where  $\ell\ell$  is  $\mu^+\mu^-$  or  $e^+e^-$ . In (b) and (d) the  $m_{12}$  and  $m_{34}$  distributions are presented for  $\ell\ell + e^+e^-$  events. The data are shown as filled circles and the different backgrounds as filled histograms with the total background systematic uncertainty represented by the hatched areas. The kinematic selection of the analysis is applied. Isolation and impact parameter significance requirements are applied to the first lepton pair only. The simulation is normalized to the data-driven background estimates.

background origin category *ee* is removed from the sum, and an estimated residual of  $1.2 \pm 0.4$  ZZ<sup>\*</sup> events is subtracted to obtain the final result, which is also given in Table VII.

# 4. Summary of reducible background estimates for $\ell\ell$ + ee

The summary of the reducible backgrounds for the  $\ell\ell\ell + ee$  final states is given for the full mass region in Table VII. In addition to the previously discussed methods, the results are presented for the full analysis applied to  $\ell\ell\ell + ee$  events in data where the subleading *ee* pair is required to have the same-sign charge, and  $m_{4\ell}$  is required to be below 160 GeV to avoid a ZZ contribution; the region with  $m_{4\ell} < 160$  GeV contains 70% of the expected reducible back-grounds. Although limited in statistical precision, this agrees well with the other estimates.

# C. Shape of the reducible background contributions

The  $m_{4\ell}$  distributions of the reducible backgrounds are required for the normalization and shape of these backgrounds in the mass fit region, discussed below. The shape of the distribution for the  $\ell\ell + \mu\mu$  background is taken from simulation and the uncertainty comes from varying

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the full $m_{4\ell}$	mass range. The que	oted uncertainties inclu	de the combined statistical and	systematic components.
Channel	ggF enriched	VBF enriched	VH-hadronic enriched	VH-leptonic enriched
			$\sqrt{s} = 7 \text{ TeV}$	
$\ell\ell + \mu\mu$	$0.98\pm0.32$	$0.12\pm0.08$	$0.04 \pm 0.02$	$0.004 \pm 0.004$
$\ell\ell + ee$	$5.5 \pm 1.2$	$0.51\pm0.6$	$0.20 \pm 0.16$	$0.06 \pm 0.11$
			$\sqrt{s} = 8 \text{ TeV}$	
$\ell\ell + \mu\mu$	$6.7 \pm 1.4$	$0.6 \pm 0.6$	$0.21 \pm 0.13$	$0.003 \pm 0.003$
11 + 00	$51 \pm 14$	$0.5 \pm 0.6$	$0.19 \pm 0.15$	$0.06 \pm 0.11$

TABLE VIII. Summary of the background estimates for the data recorded at  $\sqrt{s} = 7$  TeV and  $\sqrt{s} = 8$  TeV for

the track isolation and impact parameter significance selections. The corresponding distribution for the  $\ell\ell\ell$  + ee background comes from the  $3\ell + X$  sample, after reweighting with the transfer factor to match the kinematics of the signal region. The uncertainty in the  $\ell\ell + ee$ background shape is taken as the difference between the shapes obtained from the control regions of the two other methods: transfer factor and reco-truth. The estimates in the  $120 < m_{4\ell} < 130 \text{ GeV}$  mass window are provided in Table XI. Figure 7 presents the  $m_{12}$  and  $m_{34}$  distributions for the  $\ell \ell + \mu \mu$  and  $\ell \ell + ee$  control regions where the full selection has been applied except for subleading lepton impact parameter significance and isolation requirements, which are not applied. Good agreement is seen between the data and the sum of the various background estimates. The shape of the background in the  $m_{4\ell}$  distribution extrapolated to the signal region can be seen in Fig. 13.

#### D. Background for categories

For the reducible background, the fraction of background in each category is evaluated using simulation. Applying these fractions to the background estimates from Tables V and VII gives the reducible background estimates per category shown in Table VIII. The systematic uncertainties include the differences observed between the fractions obtained from simulation and those from the reducible background data control regions. The expected ZZ\* background evaluated from simulation for each category is given in Table XII. To obtain the reducible background in the signal region, the shapes of the  $m_{4\ell}$ distributions for the reducible backgrounds discussed in Sec. VIC are used.

## VII. MULTIVARIATE DISCRIMINANTS

The analysis sensitivity is improved by employing three multivariate discriminants to distinguish between the different classes of four-lepton events: one to separate the Higgs boson signal from the  $ZZ^*$  background in the inclusive analysis, and two to separate the VBF- and VH-produced Higgs boson signal from the ggF-produced Higgs boson signal in the VBF enriched and VH-hadronic enriched categories. These discriminants are based on boosted decision trees (BDT) [95].

## A. BDT for ZZ<sup>\*</sup> background rejection

The differences in the kinematics of the  $H \to ZZ^* \to 4\ell$ decay and the ZZ\* background are incorporated into a BDT discriminant (BDT<sub>ZZ\*</sub>). The training is done using fully simulated  $H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4\ell$  signal events, generated with  $m_H = 125 \text{ GeV}$  for ggF production, and  $qq \rightarrow ZZ^*$  background events. Only events satisfying the inclusive event selection requirements and with  $115 < m_{4\ell} < 130 \text{ GeV}$ are considered. This range contains 95% of the signal and is asymmetric around 125 GeV to include the residual effects of FSR and bremsstrahlung. The discriminating variables used in the training are the transverse momentum of the four-lepton system  $(p_T^{4\ell})$ ; the pseudorapidity of the four-lepton system  $(\eta^{4\ell})$ , correlated to the  $p_T^{4\ell}$ ; and a matrix-element-based kinematic discriminant  $(D_{ZZ^*})$ . The discriminant  $D_{ZZ^*}$  is defined as

$$D_{ZZ^*} = \ln\left(\frac{|\mathcal{M}_{\rm sig}|^2}{|\mathcal{M}_{ZZ}|^2}\right),\tag{1}$$

where  $\mathcal{M}_{sig}$  corresponds to the matrix element for the signal process, while  $\mathcal{M}_{ZZ}$  is the matrix element for the  $ZZ^*$ background process. The matrix elements for both signal and background are computed at leading order using MADGRAPH5 [96]. The matrix element for the signal is evaluated according to the SM hypothesis of a scalar boson with spin-parity  $J^{P} = 0^{+}$  [7] and under the assumption that  $m_H = m_{4\ell}$ . Figures 8(a)–8(c) show the distributions of the variables used to train the  $BDT_{ZZ^*}$  classifier for the signal and the ZZ\* background. The separation between a SM Higgs signal and the  $ZZ^*$  background can be seen in Fig. 8(d).

As discussed in Sec. VIII, the BDT<sub>77\*</sub> output is exploited in the two-dimensional model built to measure the Higgs boson mass, the inclusive signal strength and the signal strength in the ggF enriched category.

### **B. BDT for categorization**

For event categorization, two separate BDT classifiers were developed to discriminate against ggF production: one for VBF production (BDT\_{VBF}) and another for the vector boson hadronic decays of VH production (BDT<sub>VH</sub>). In the first case the BDT output is used as an observable together with  $m_{4\ell}$  in a maximum likelihood fit for the VBF category, while in the latter case the BDT output value is used as a



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FIG. 8 (color online). Distributions for signal (blue) and ZZ\* background (red) events, showing (a)  $D_{ZZ^*}$  output, (b)  $p_T^{4\ell}$  and (c)  $\eta^{4\ell}$  after the inclusive analysis selection in the mass range 115 <  $m_{4\ell}$  < 130 GeV used for the training of the BDT<sub>ZZ\*</sub> classifier (d) BDT<sub>ZZ\*</sub> output distribution for the signal (blue) and ZZ\* background (red) in the mass range 115 <  $m_{4\ell}$  < 130 GeV. All histograms are normalized to the same area.

selection requirement for the event to be classified in the VH-hadronic enriched category, as discussed in Sec. V B. In both cases the same five discriminating variables are used. In order of decreasing separation power between the two production modes, the variables are (a) invariant mass of the dijet system, (b) pseudorapidity separation between the two jets ( $|\Delta \eta_{jj}|$ ), (c) transverse momentum of each jet, and (d) pseudorapidity of the leading jet.

For the training of the BDT discriminant, fully simulated four-lepton Higgs boson signal events produced through ggF and VBF production and hadronically decaying vector boson events for VH production are used. The distributions of these variables for BDT<sub>VBF</sub> are presented in Figs. 9(a)– 9(e), where all the expected features of the VBF production of a Higgs boson can be seen: the dijet system has a high invariant mass and the two jets are emitted in opposite high- $|\eta|$  regions with a considerable  $\Delta \eta$  separation between them. The jets of ggF events, on the other hand, are more centrally produced and have a smaller invariant mass and  $\Delta \eta$ separation. The separation between VBF and ggF can be seen in the output of BDT<sub>VBF</sub> in Fig. 9(f), where the separation between VBF and ZZ\* is found to be similar. The output of BDT<sub>VBF</sub> is unchanged for various mass points around the main training mass of  $m_H = 125$  GeV. For variables entering the BDT<sub>VH</sub> discriminant, the invariant mass of the dijet system, which peaks at the Z mass, exhibits the most important difference between ggF and VH production modes. The other variables have less separation power. The corresponding separation for BDT<sub>VH</sub> is shown in Fig. 10. As described in Sec. V B, the VH-hadronic enriched category applies a selection on the BDT<sub>VH</sub> discriminant (< -0.4) which optimizes the signal significance.



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FIG. 9 (color online). Distribution of kinematic variables for signal (VBF events, green) and background (ggF events, blue) events used in the training of the VBF boosted decision tree: 9(a) dijet invariant mass, 9(b) dijet  $\eta$  separation, 9(c) leading jet  $p_T$ , 9 (d) subleading jet  $p_T$  and 9(e) leading jet  $\eta$ . 9(f) Output distributions of BDT<sub>VBF</sub> for VBF and ggF events as well as for the ZZ<sup>\*</sup> background (red). All histograms are normalized to the same area.

# VIII. SIGNAL AND BACKGROUND MODELING

# A. Signal and background modeling for the inclusive analysis

For the measurements of the Higgs boson mass, of its natural width and of the inclusive production rate relative to the SM expectation (the signal strength denoted as  $\mu$ ) in the  $H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4\ell$  channel, three different parameterizations of the signal and background were developed as described in Ref. [9], where the Higgs boson mass measurement is reported. The baseline method is a two-dimensional (2D) fit to  $m_{4\ell}$  and the BDT<sub>ZZ</sub>, output ( $O_{\text{BDT}_{ZZ}}$ ). This method provides the smallest expected uncertainties for both the mass and inclusive signal strength measurements. The one-dimensional (1D) fit to the  $m_{4\ell}$  distribution that was used in

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the previous measurements [4,6] is used as a cross-check. A third method, using per-event resolution, is discussed after a description of the 1D and 2D models. The  $m_{4\ell}$  range used in the fit for all of the methods is 110–140 GeV. A kernel density estimation method [97] uses fully simulated events to obtain smooth distributions for both the 1D and 2D signal models. These templates are produced using samples generated at 15 different  $m_H$  values in the range 115–130 GeV and parametrized as functions of  $m_H$  using B-spline interpolation [98]. These simulation samples at different masses are normalized to the expected SM  $\sigma \times B$  [24] to derive the expected signal yields after acceptance and selection. The probability density function for the signal in the 2D fit is

$$(m_{4\ell}, O_{\text{BDT}_{ZZ^*}}|m_H) = \mathcal{P}(m_{4\ell}|O_{\text{BDT}_{ZZ^*}}, m_H)\mathcal{P}(O_{\text{BDT}_{ZZ^*}}|m_H)$$
$$\simeq \left(\sum_{n=1}^4 \mathcal{P}_n(m_{4\ell}|m_H)\theta_n(O_{\text{BDT}_{ZZ^*}})\right)\mathcal{P}(O_{\text{BDT}_{ZZ^*}}|m_H)$$
(2)

where  $\theta_n$  defines four equal-sized bins for the value of the BDT<sub>ZZ</sub>, output, and  $\mathcal{P}_n$  represents the 1D probability density function of the signal in the corresponding BDT<sub>ZZ</sub>, bin. The variation of the  $m_{4\ell}$  shape is negligible within a single BDT<sub>ZZ</sub>, bin, so no bias is introduced in the mass measurement. The background model,  $\mathcal{P}_{bkg}(m_{4\ell}, O_{\text{BDT}_{ZZ}})$ , is described using a two-dimensional probability density. For the ZZ\* and reducible  $\ell\ell + \mu\mu$  backgrounds, the two-dimensional probability density distributions are derived from simulation, where the  $\ell\ell + \mu\mu$  simulation was shown to agree well with data in the control region. For the  $\ell\ell + ee$  background model, the two-dimensional probability density can only be obtained from data, which is done using the



FIG. 10 (color online). Final  $BDT_{VH}$  discriminant output for the VH-hadronic enriched category for signal (VH events, dark blue) and background (ggF events, blue) events.

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 $3\ell + X$  data control region weighted with the transfer factor to match the kinematics of the signal region. Figure 11 shows the probability density in the  $BDT_{ZZ'} - m_{4\ell}$  plane, for the signal with  $m_H = 125$  GeV, the  $ZZ^*$  background from simulation and the reducible background from the data control region. The visible separation between the signal and the background using the BDT<sub>ZZ\*</sub> discriminant is exploited in the fit. With respect to the 1D approach, there is an expected reduction of the statistical uncertainty for the mass and inclusive signal strength measurements, which is estimated from simulation to be approximately 8% for both measurements. Both the 1D and the 2D models are built using  $m_{4\ell}$  after applying a Z-mass constraint to  $m_{12}$  during the fit, as described in Sec. VA. Figure 12 shows the  $m_{4\ell}$  distribution for a simulated signal sample with  $m_H = 125$  GeV, after applying the correction for final-state radiation and the Z-mass constraint for the 4u, 4e and  $2e^{2\mu/2\mu^2e}$  final states. The width of the reconstructed Higgs boson mass for  $m_H = 125 \text{ GeV}$  ranges between 1.6 GeV (4µ final state) and 2.2 GeV (4e final state) and is expected to be dominated by the experimental resolution since, for  $m_H$  of about 125 GeV, the natural width in the Standard Model is approximately 4 MeV.

In addition to the 1D and 2D fit methods described above, the signal probability density for  $m_{4\ell}$  is also modeled on a per-event basis using both the BDT<sub>ZZ</sub><sup>\*</sup> information and the energy resolution of the individual leptons. This method is referred to as the per-eventresolution model and is used both as a cross-check for the mass measurement and as the baseline method to set an upper limit on the Higgs boson total width  $\Gamma_H$ , which is discussed elsewhere [9]. The detector-level  $m_{4\ell}$  distribution for the signal is obtained for each event through the



FIG. 11 (color online). Probability density for the signal and the different backgrounds normalized to the expected number of events for the 2011 and 2012 data sets, summing over all the final states: (a)  $\mathcal{P}(m_{4\ell}, BDT_{ZZ^*}|m_H)$  for the signal assuming  $m_H = 125$  GeV, (b) probability density  $\mathcal{P}(m_{4\ell}, BDT_{ZZ^*})$  for the  $ZZ^*$  background and (c)  $\mathcal{P}(m_{4\ell}, BDT_{ZZ^*})$  for the reducible background.

convolution of an analytic description of the single-lepton detector response with a Breit-Wigner function that describes the Higgs boson mass line shape. The Z-mass constraint is not applied in this fit because this introduces a correlation between the two leptons of the leading Z which must be included in their detector response functions. The parametrization of the muon and electron response function is performed in bins of  $\eta$  and  $p_T$  of the leptons and consists of the sum of two or three normal distributions. This parametrization takes into account the tails of the single-lepton responses. A broad range of cross-checks were performed to validate all the models described above [9].

A likelihood function  $\mathcal{L}$  that depends on  $m_H$  and  $\mu$  is constructed using the signal and background models defined above and is defined as

$$\mathcal{L}(m_{H}, \mu, \theta) = \prod_{i}^{\text{year}} \prod_{j}^{\text{max}} \text{Poisson}(N_{ij} | \mu \cdot S_{ij}(m_{H}, \theta) + B_{ij}(\theta))$$
$$\cdot \prod_{k=1}^{N_{ij}} \mathcal{F}_{ij}((m_{4\ell}, O_{\text{BDT}_{ZZ^{*}}})_{k}, m_{H}, \mu, \theta).$$
(3)

This likelihood function corresponds to the product of the Poisson probability of observing  $N_{ij}$  events in the 2011 and 2012 data sets and each of the four final states, given the expectation for the signal  $S_{ij}$  and background  $B_{ij}$ , and is multiplied with the product of the values of the probability density  $\mathcal{F}_{ij}$ , for  $(m_{4\ell}, O_{\text{BDT}_{ZZ^*}})_k$  of all events.  $\mathcal{F}_{ij}$  is constructed by using both the signal and background probability described above. The symbol  $\theta$  represents the set of nuisance parameters used to model the effect of the systematic uncertainties described in Sec. IX.

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FIG. 12 (color online). Invariant mass distribution for a simulated signal sample with  $m_H = 125$  GeV; superimposed is the Gaussian fit to the  $m_{4\ell}$  peak after the correction for final-state radiation and the Z-mass constraint.

The statistical procedure used to interpret the data is described in Refs. [99,100]. The confidence intervals are based on the profile likelihood ratios  $\Lambda(\alpha)$  that depend on one or more parameters of interest  $\alpha$  (i.e. the Higgs boson mass or the signal strength) and on the nuisance parameters  $\theta$ :

$$\Lambda(\boldsymbol{\alpha}) = \frac{\mathcal{L}(\boldsymbol{\alpha}, \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(\boldsymbol{\alpha}))}{\mathcal{L}(\hat{\boldsymbol{\alpha}}, \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}})}.$$
(4)

The likelihood fit to the data is then performed for the parameters of interest;  $\hat{\theta}$  corresponds to the value of  $\theta$  which maximizes  $\mathcal{L}$  for the specified  $\alpha$ , and  $\hat{\theta}$  denotes the unconditional maximum likelihood estimate of the nuissance parameters, i.e. where the likelihood is maximized for both  $\theta$  and  $\alpha$ . In particular, the profile likelihood ratios  $\Lambda(m_H)$  and  $\Lambda(\mu)$ , used for the Higgs boson mass

and the inclusive signal strength measurements, respectively, are

$$\Lambda(m_H) = \frac{\mathcal{L}(m_H, \hat{\boldsymbol{\mu}}(m_H), \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(m_H))}{\mathcal{L}(\hat{m}_H, \hat{\boldsymbol{\mu}}, \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}})} \quad \text{and}$$
$$\Lambda(\mu) = \frac{\mathcal{L}(\mu, \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(\mu))}{\mathcal{L}(\hat{\boldsymbol{\mu}}, \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}})}, \tag{5}$$

where the profile likelihood ratio for  $m_H$  has the signal strength treated as a parameter of interest in the fit, while that for  $\mu$  is evaluated for a fixed value of  $m_H$ .

# B. Signal and background modeling for the categorized analysis

The model developed for the categorized analysis allows the measurement of the signal strength for the different

production modes. Since no direct  $t\bar{t}H$  and  $b\bar{b}H$  production is observed, a common signal strength  $\mu_{ggF+t\bar{t}H+b\bar{b}H}$  is assigned to gluon fusion,  $t\bar{t}H$  and  $b\bar{b}H$  production. This simplification is also justified by the fact that in the SM the two production modes scale with the  $q\bar{q}H$  (q = b, t) coupling. Similarly, a common signal strength  $\mu_{VBF+VH}$ is assigned to the VBF and VH production modes since in the SM they scale with the WH/ZH gauge couplings.

For the categorized analysis, all of the candidates are grouped into four separate categories to have better sensitivity to the different production mechanisms, as described in Sec. V. In the VBF enriched category, where the BDT<sub>VBF</sub> discriminant is introduced to separate the ggF-like events from VBF-like events, the two-dimensional probability density  $\mathcal{P}(m_{4\ell}, \text{BDT}_{\text{VBF}})$  is constructed by factorizing the BDT<sub>VBF</sub> and  $m_{4\ell}$  distributions. This factorization is justified by the negligible dependence of the BDT<sub>VBF</sub> on  $m_{4\ell}$  for both signal and background. The BDT<sub>VBF</sub> dependence on the Higgs boson mass is negligible and is neglected in the probability density. Adding the BDT<sub>VBF</sub> in the VBF enriched category reduces the expected uncertainty on the signal strength of the VBF and VH production mechanisms  $\mu_{\rm VBF+VH}$  by about 25%. The improvement in the expected uncertainty on  $\mu_{\text{VBF+VBF+VH}}$  reaches approximately 35% after adding the leptonic and hadronic VH categories to the model. In these two VH categories, a simple onedimensional fit to the  $m_{4\ell}$  observable is performed, since for the VH-hadronic enriched category, a selection on the BDT<sub>VH</sub> output is included in the event selection, while for the VH-leptonic enriched category, no BDT is used. Finally, in the ggF enriched category, the 2D model defined in Eq. (2), including the BDT<sub>ZZ\*</sub> trained as specified in Sec. VII A, is used. These procedures allow a further reduction of the expected uncertainty on  $\mu_{\rm VBF+VH}$  $(\mu_{ggF+t\bar{t}H+b\bar{b}H})$  by 6% (8%).

## **IX. SYSTEMATIC UNCERTAINTIES**

The uncertainties on the lepton reconstruction and identification efficiency, and on the lepton energy or momentum resolution and scale, are determined using samples of W, Z and  $J/\psi$  decays. The description of these systematic uncertainties, as well as of the uncertainties associated with the event categorizations, is separated into three parts. A brief overview of the systematic uncertainties that affect the mass measurement is given in Sec. IX A. The description of the signal rate and event categorizations is provided in Secs. IX B and IX C, respectively.

#### A. Systematic uncertainties in the mass measurement

For the  $H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4\ell$  decay modes involving electrons, the electron energy scale uncertainty, determined from  $Z \rightarrow ee$  and  $J/\psi \rightarrow ee$  decays, is propagated as a function of the pseudorapidity and the transverse energy of

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the electrons. The precision of the energy scale is better than 0.1% for  $|\eta| < 1.2$  and  $1.8 < |\eta| < 2.47$ , and a few per mille for  $1.2 < |\eta| < 1.8$  [76]. The uncertainties on the measured Higgs boson mass due to the electron energy scale uncertainties are  $\pm 0.04\%$ ,  $\pm 0.025\%$  and  $\pm 0.04\%$  for the 4e,  $2e2\mu$  and  $2\mu 2e$  final states, respectively.

Similarly, for the  $H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4\ell$  decay modes involving muons, the various components of the systematic uncertainty on the muon momentum scale are determined using large samples of  $J/\psi \rightarrow \mu\mu$  and  $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$  decays and validated using  $\Upsilon \rightarrow \mu\mu$ ,  $J/\psi \rightarrow \mu\mu$  and  $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$  decays. In the muon transverse momentum range of 6–100 GeV, the systematic uncertainties on the scales are about  $\pm 0.04\%$  in the barrel region and reach  $\pm 0.2\%$  in the region  $|\eta| > 2$  [81]. The uncertainties on the measured Higgs boson mass due to the muon energy scale uncertainties are estimated to be  $\pm 0.04\%$ ,  $\pm 0.015\%$  and  $\pm 0.02\%$  for the  $4\mu$ ,  $2e2\mu$  and  $2\mu 2e$  final states, respectively.

Uncertainties on the measured Higgs boson mass related to the background contamination and final-state QED radiation modeling are negligible compared to the other sources described above.

The weighted contributions to the uncertainty in the mass measurement, when all the final states are combined, are  $\pm 0.01\%$  for the electron energy scale uncertainty and  $\pm 0.03\%$  for the muon momentum scale uncertainty. The larger impact of the muon momentum scale uncertainty is due to the fact that the muon final states have a greater weight in the combined mass fit.

# B. Systematic uncertainties in the inclusive signal strength measurement

The efficiencies to trigger, reconstruct and identify electrons and muons are studied using  $Z \rightarrow \ell \ell$  and  $J/\psi \rightarrow \ell \ell$  decays [78–81]. The expected impact from simulation of the associated systematic uncertainties on the signal yield is presented in Table IX. The impact is presented for the individual final states and for all channels combined.

The level of agreement between data and simulation for the efficiency of the isolation and impact parameter requirements of the analysis is studied using a tag-and-probe method. As a result, a small additional uncertainty on the isolation and impact parameter selection efficiency is applied for electrons with  $E_{\rm T}$  below 15 GeV. The effect of the isolation and impact parameter uncertainties on the signal strength is given in Table IX. The corresponding uncertainty for muons is found to be negligible.

The uncertainties on the data-driven estimates of the background yields are discussed in Sec. VI and are summarized in Tables V and VII, and their impact on the signal strength is given in Table IX.

The overall uncertainty on the integrated luminosity for the complete 2011 data set is  $\pm 1.8\%$  [101]. The uncertainty on the integrated luminosity for the 2012 data set is  $\pm 2.8\%$ ; this uncertainty is derived following the methodology used

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TABLE IX. The expected impact of the systematic uncertainties on the signal yield, derived from simulation, for  $m_H = 125$  GeV, are summarized for each of the four final states for the combined 4.5 fb<sup>-1</sup> at  $\sqrt{s} = 7$  TeV and 20.3 fb<sup>-1</sup> at  $\sqrt{s} = 8$  TeV. The symbol "–" signifies that the systematic uncertainty does not contribute to a particular final state. The last three systematic uncertainties apply equally to all final states. All uncertainties have been symmetrized.

Source of uncertainty	$4\mu$	2e2µ	2µ2e	4e	combined
Electron reconstruction and identification efficiencies	_	1.7%	3.3%	4.4%	1.6%
Electron isolation and impact parameter selection	-	0.07%	1.1%	1.2%	0.5%
Electron trigger efficiency	_	0.21%	0.05%	0.21%	< 0.2%
$\ell\ell + ee$ backgrounds	_	_	3.4%	3.4%	1.3%
Muon reconstruction and identification efficiencies	1.9%	1.1%	0.8%	-	1.5%
Muon trigger efficiency	0.6%	0.03%	0.6%	-	0.2%
$\ell\ell + \mu\mu$ backgrounds	1.6%	1.6%	-	-	1.2%
QCD scale uncertainty					6.5%
PDF, $\alpha_s$ uncertainty					6.0%
$H \rightarrow ZZ^*$ branching ratio uncertainty					4.0%

for the 2011 data set, from a preliminary calibration of the luminosity scale with beam-separation scans performed in November 2012.

The theory-related systematic uncertainty for both the signal and the ZZ<sup>\*</sup> background is discussed in Sec. III. The three most important theoretical uncertainties, which dominate the signal strength uncertainty, are given in Table IX. Uncertainties on the predicted Higgs boson  $p_{\rm T}$  spectrum due to those on the PDFs and higher-order corrections are estimated to affect the signal strength by less than  $\pm 1\%$ . The systematic uncertainty of the ZZ<sup>\*</sup>

background rate is around  $\pm 4\%$  for  $m_{4\ell} = 125$  GeV and increases for higher mass, averaging to around  $\pm 6\%$  for the  $ZZ^*$  production above 110 GeV.

#### C. Systematic uncertainties in the event categorization

The systematic uncertainties on the expected yields (as in Table II) from different processes contributing to the VBF enriched, VH-hadronic enriched, VH-leptonic enriched and ggF enriched categories are reported in Table X, expressed as the fractional uncertainties on the yields. The uncertainties on the theoretical predictions for

TABLE X. Systematic uncertainties on the yields expected from various processes contributing to the VBF enriched, VH-leptonic enriched, VH-hadronic enriched and ggF enriched categories expressed as percentages of the yield. The various uncertainties are added in quadrature. Uncertainties that are negligible are denoted by a "–". All uncertainties have been symmetrized.

Process	$gg \rightarrow H, q\bar{q}/gg \rightarrow b\bar{b}H/t\bar{t}H$	$qq' \to Hqq'$	$q\bar{q} \rightarrow W/ZH$	$ZZ^*$
	VBF enriched cate	gory		
Theoretical cross section	20.4%	4%	4%	8%
Underlying event	6.6%	1.4%	-	-
Jet energy scale	9.6%	4.8%	7.8%	9.6%
Jet energy resolution	0.9%	0.2%	1.0%	1.4%
Total	23.5%	6.4%	8.8%	12.6%
	VH-hadronic enriched	category		
Theoretical cross section	20.4%	4%	4%	2%
Underlying event	7.5%	3.1%	-	_
Jet energy scale	9.4%	9.3%	3.7%	12.6%
Jet energy resolution	1.0%	1.7%	0.6%	1.8%
Total	23.7%	10.7%	5.5%	12.9%
	VH-leptonic enriched	category		
Theoretical cross section	12%	4%	4%	5%
Leptonic VH-specific cuts	1%	1%	5%	-
Jet energy scale	8.8%	9.9%	1.7%	3.2%
Total	14.9%	10.7%	6.6%	5.9%
	ggF enriched categ	gory		
Theoretical cross section	12%	4%	4%	4%
Jet energy scale	2.2%	6.6%	4.0%	1.0%
Total	12.2%	7.7%	5.7%	4.1%

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TABLE XI. The number of events expected and observed for a  $m_H = 125$  GeV hypothesis for the four-lepton final states in a window of  $120 < m_{4\ell} < 130$  GeV. The second column shows the number of expected signal events for the full mass range, without a selection on  $m_{4\ell}$ . The other columns show for the 120–130 GeV mass range the number of expected signal events, the number of expected ZZ<sup>\*</sup> and reducible background events, and the signal-to-background ratio (*S*/*B*), together with the number of observed events, for 4.5 fb<sup>-1</sup> at  $\sqrt{s} = 7$  TeV and 20.3 fb<sup>-1</sup> at  $\sqrt{s} = 8$  TeV as well as for the combined sample.

Final state	Signal full mass range	Signal	ZZ*	$Z + jets, t\bar{t}$	S/B	Expected	Observed
			$\sqrt{s} = 7 \text{ TeV}$				
$4\mu$	$1.00\pm0.10$	$0.91\pm0.09$	$0.46 \pm 0.02$	$0.10\pm0.04$	1.7	$1.47\pm0.10$	2
2e2µ	$0.66 \pm 0.06$	$0.58\pm0.06$	$0.32\pm0.02$	$0.09\pm0.03$	1.5	$0.99\pm0.07$	2
2µ2e	$0.50 \pm 0.05$	$0.44\pm0.04$	$0.21\pm0.01$	$0.36\pm0.08$	0.8	$1.01\pm0.09$	1
4 <i>e</i>	$0.46 \pm 0.05$	$0.39\pm0.04$	$0.19\pm0.01$	$0.40\pm0.09$	0.7	$0.98\pm0.10$	1
Total	$2.62\pm0.26$	$2.32\pm0.23$	$1.17\pm0.06$	$0.96\pm0.18$	1.1	$4.45\pm0.30$	6
			$\sqrt{s} = 8 \text{ TeV}$				
$4\mu$	$5.80\pm0.57$	$5.28\pm0.52$	$2.36\pm0.12$	$0.69 \pm 0.13$	1.7	$8.33\pm0.6$	12
2e2µ	$3.92 \pm 0.39$	$3.45\pm0.34$	$1.67\pm0.08$	$0.60\pm0.10$	1.5	$5.72\pm0.37$	7
2µ2e	$3.06 \pm 0.31$	$2.71\pm0.28$	$1.17\pm0.07$	$0.36\pm0.08$	1.8	$4.23\pm0.30$	5
4 <i>e</i>	$2.79\pm0.29$	$2.38\pm0.25$	$1.03\pm0.07$	$0.35\pm0.07$	1.7	$3.77\pm0.27$	7
Total	$15.6 \pm 1.6$	$13.8\pm1.4$	$6.24\pm0.34$	$2.00\pm0.28$	1.7	$22.1\pm1.5$	31
		$\sqrt{s} = 7$	TeV and $\sqrt{s} = 1$	8 TeV			
$4\mu$	$6.80\pm0.67$	$6.20\pm0.61$	$2.82\pm0.14$	$0.79\pm0.13$	1.7	$9.81 \pm 0.64$	14
2e2µ	$4.58 \pm 0.45$	$4.04\pm0.40$	$1.99\pm0.10$	$0.69\pm0.11$	1.5	$6.72\pm0.42$	9
2µ2e	$3.56 \pm 0.36$	$3.15\pm0.32$	$1.38\pm0.08$	$0.72\pm0.12$	1.5	$5.24\pm0.35$	6
4 <i>e</i>	$3.25 \pm 0.34$	$2.77\pm0.29$	$1.22\pm0.08$	$0.76\pm0.11$	1.4	$4.75\pm0.32$	8
Total	$18.2 \pm 1.8$	$16.2\pm1.6$	$7.41\pm0.40$	$2.95\pm0.33$	1.6	$26.5\pm1.7$	37

the cross sections for the different processes arise mainly from the requirement on the jet multiplicity used in the event categorization [102,103]. Because of event migrations, this also affects the VH-leptonic enriched and ggF enriched categories, where no explicit requirement on jets is applied. The uncertainty accounting for a potential mismodeling of the underlying event is conservatively estimated with  $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$  simulated events by applying the



FIG. 13 (color online). The distribution of the four-lepton invariant mass,  $m_{4\ell}$ , for the selected candidates (filled circles) compared to the expected signal and background contributions (filled histograms) for the combined  $\sqrt{s} = 7$  TeV and  $\sqrt{s} = 8$  TeV data for the mass ranges: (a) 80–170 GeV, and (b) 80–600 GeV. The signal expectation shown is for a mass hypothesis of  $m_H = 125$  GeV and normalized to  $\mu = 1.51$  (see text). The expected backgrounds are shown separately for the ZZ\* (red histogram), and the reducible Z + jets and  $t\bar{t}$  backgrounds (violet histogram); the systematic uncertainty associated to the total background contribution is represented by the hatched areas.



FIG. 14 (color online). Distributions of data (filled circles) and the expected signal and backgrounds events in (a) the  $m_{34}$ - $m_{12}$  plane with the requirement of  $m_{4\ell}$  in 120–130 GeV. The projected distributions for (b)  $m_{12}$  and (c)  $m_{34}$  are shown for  $m_{4\ell}$  in 110–140 GeV, the fit range. The signal contribution is shown for  $m_H = 125$  GeV and normalized to  $\mu = 1.51$  (see text) as blue histograms in (b) and (c). The expected background contributions,  $ZZ^*$  (red histogram) and Z+ jets plus  $t\bar{t}$  (violet histogram), are shown in (b) and (c); the systematic uncertainty associated to the total background contribution is represented by the hatched areas. The expected distributions of the Higgs signal (blue) and total background (red) are superimposed in (a), where the box size (signal) and color shading (background) represent the relative density. In every case, the combination of the 7 and 8 TeV results is shown.

selection for the VBF enriched (or VH-hadronic enriched) category and taking the difference of the efficiencies with and without multiparton interactions.

The main experimental uncertainty is related to the jet energy scale determination, including the uncertainties associated with the modeling of the absolute and relative *in situ* jet calibrations, as well as the flavor composition of the jet sample. The impact on the yields of the various categories is anticorrelated because a variation of the jet energy scale results primarily in the migration of events among the categories. The impact of the jet energy scale uncertainty results in an uncertainty of about  $\pm 10\%$  for the VBF enriched category,  $\pm 8\%$  for the VH-hadronic enriched category,  $\pm 1.5\%$  for the VH-leptonic enriched category and  $\pm 1.5\%$  for the ggF enriched category.

The uncertainty on the jet energy resolution is also taken into account, even though its impact is small compared to that of the jet energy scale uncertainty, as reported in Table X. Finally, the uncertainties associated with the additional leptons in the VH-leptonic enriched category are the same as already described in Sec. IX B for the four leptons of the Higgs boson decay.



FIG. 15 (color online). Distributions of data (filled circles) and the expected signal and background events in (a) the BDT<sub>ZZ'</sub>  $m_{4\ell}$  plane, (b) BDT<sub>ZZ'</sub> with the restriction  $120 < m_{4\ell} < 130$  GeV, and (c)  $m_{4\ell}$  with the additional requirement that the BDT<sub>ZZ'</sub> be positive. The expected Higgs signal contribution is shown for  $m_H = 125$  GeV and normalized to  $\mu = 1.51$  (see text) as blue histograms in (b) and (c). The expected background contributions,  $ZZ^*$  (red histogram) and Z + j teps plus  $t\bar{t}$  (violet histogram), are shown in (b) and (c); the systematic uncertainty associated to the total background contribution is represented by the hatched areas. The expected distributions of the Higgs signal (blue) and total background (red) are superimposed in (a), where the box size (signal) and color shading (background) represent the relative density. In every case, the combination of the 7 and 8 TeV results is shown.

#### X. Results

# A. Results of the inclusive analysis

As described in Sec. VA, the inclusive selection is used to measure the Higgs boson mass. In addition, the inclusive signal strength measurement, described below, allows a direct comparison with the predicted total production cross section times branching ratio of the Standard Model Higgs boson at the measured mass. This inclusive analysis is the same as that used for the combined mass measurement [9]; in the following more details and new comparisons of the data and expectations are provided in view of the inclusive mass and signal strength measurements.

#### 1. Signal and background yields

The number of observed candidate events for each of the four decay channels in a mass window of 120-130 GeV and the signal and background expectations are presented in Table XI. The signal and ZZ\* background expectations are normalized to the SM expectation while the reducible background is normalized to the data-driven estimate described in Sec. VI. Three events in the mass range

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FIG. 16 (color online). The observed local  $p_0$ -value for the combination of the 2011 and 2012 data sets (solid black line) as a function of  $m_H$ ; the individual results for  $\sqrt{s} = 7$  TeV and 8 TeV are shown separately as red and blue solid lines, respectively. The dashed curves show the expected median of the local  $p_0$ -value for the signal hypothesis with signal strength  $\mu = 1$ , when evaluated at the corresponding  $m_H$ . The horizontal dot-dashed lines indicate the  $p_0$ -values corresponding to local significances of  $1-8\sigma$ .

 $120 < m_{4\ell} < 130$  GeV are corrected for FSR: one  $4\mu$  event and one  $2\mu 2e$  are corrected for noncollinear FSR, and one  $2\mu 2e$  event is corrected for collinear FSR. In the full mass spectrum, there are 8 (2) events corrected for collinear (noncollinear) FSR, in good agreement with the expected number of 11 events.

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The expected  $m_{4\ell}$  distribution for the backgrounds and the signal hypothesis are compared with the combined  $\sqrt{s} =$ 7 TeV and  $\sqrt{s} = 8$  TeV data in Fig. 13 for the  $m_{4\ell}$  range 80-170 GeV, and in Fig. 13(b) for the invariant mass range 80–600 GeV. In Fig. 13 one observes the single  $Z \rightarrow 4\ell$ resonance [104,105], the threshold of the ZZ production above 180 GeV and a narrow peak around 125 GeV. Figure 14 shows the distribution of the  $m_{12}$  versus  $m_{34}$ invariant masses, as well as their projections, for the candidates with  $m_{4\ell}$  within 120-130 GeV. The Z-mass constrained kinematic fit is not applied for these distributions. The Higgs signal is shown for  $m_H = 125$  GeV with a value of  $\mu = 1.51$ , corresponding to the combined  $\mu$  measurement for the  $H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4\ell$  final state, discussed below in Sec. X B, scaled to this mass by the expected variation in the SM Higgs boson cross section times branching ratio.

The distribution of the BDT<sub>ZZ\*</sub> output versus  $m_{4\ell}$  is shown in Fig. 15(a) for the reconstructed candidates with  $m_{4\ell}$  within the fitted mass range 110–140 GeV. An excess of events with high-BDTZZ\* output is present for values of  $m_{4\ell}$  close to 125 GeV, compatible with the Higgs signal hypothesis at that mass. The compatibility of the data with the expectations shown in Fig. 15(a) is checked using pseudoexperiments generated according to the expected two-dimensional distribution and good agreement is found. Figure 15(b) shows the distribution of the  $BDT_{ZZ^*}$  output for the candidates in the  $m_{4\ell}$  range 120–130 GeV compared with signal and background expectations. In Fig. 15(c) the distribution of the invariant mass of the four leptons is presented for candidates satisfying the requirement that the value of the  $BDT_{ZZ^*}$  output be greater than zero, which maximizes the expected significance for a SM Higgs boson with a mass of about 125 GeV.



FIG. 17 (color online). (a) The 68% and 95% confidence level (CL) contours in the  $\mu$ - $m_H$  plane for the inclusive analysis. (b) The profile likelihood as a function of the inclusive signal strength  $\mu$  for the individual channels (4e, green line; 4 $\mu$ , blue line; 2 $e^2\mu$ , red line; 2 $\mu^2e$ , yellow line) as well as for their combination (black lines); the scan for the combination of all channels is shown both with (solid line) and without (dashed line) systematic uncertainties. The value of  $m_H$  is fixed to 125.36 GeV while all the other nuisance parameters are profiled in the fit. In every case, the combination of the 7 and 8 TeV results is shown.

The local  $p_0$ -value of the observed signal, representing the significance of the excess relative to the backgroundonly hypothesis, is obtained with the asymptotic approximation [100] using the 2D fit without any selection on BDT<sub>ZZ</sub><sup>\*</sup> and is shown as a function of  $m_H$  in Fig. 16. The local  $p_0$ -value at the measured mass for this channel, 124.51 GeV (see below), is 8.2 standard deviations. At the value of the Higgs boson mass,  $m_H = 125.36$  GeV, obtained from the combination of the  $H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4\ell$ and  $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$  mass measurements [9], the local  $p_0$ -value decreases to 8.1 standard deviations. The expected significance at these two masses is 5.8 and 6.2 standard deviations, respectively.

# 2. Mass and inclusive signal strength

The models described in Sec. VIII A are used to perform the inclusive mass and signal strength measurements. The measured Higgs boson mass obtained with the baseline 2D method is  $m_H = 124.51 \pm 0.52$  GeV. The signal strength at this value for  $m_H$  is  $\mu = 1.66^{+0.39}_{-0.34}$  (stat)  $^{+0.21}_{-0.14}$  (syst). The other methods of Sec. VIII A, 1D and per-event resolution, yield similar results for the Higgs boson mass [9]. Figure 17 shows the best fit values of  $\mu$  and  $m_H$  as well as the profile likelihood ratio contours in the  $(m_H, \mu)$  plane corresponding to the 68% and 95% confidence level intervals. Finally, the best fit value for  $m_H$  obtained using the model developed for the categorized analysis, described in Sec. VIII B, is within 90 MeV of the value found with the inclusive 2D method.

At the combined ATLAS measured value of the Higgs boson mass,  $m_H = 125.36$  GeV, the signal strength is found to be  $\mu = 1.50 \substack{+0.35 \\ -0.13}$  (stat)  $\substack{+0.19 \\ -0.13}$  (syst). The scan of the profile likelihood,  $-2 \ln \Lambda(\mu)$ , as a function of the inclusive signal strength  $\mu$  for each one of the four channels

separately, as well as for their combination, is shown in Fig. 17(b).

# **B.** Coupling studies

The numbers of expected and observed events in each of the categories described in Sec. VB are summarized in Table XII. The expected yield in each enriched category is given for each of the production modes, where the ggF,  $b\bar{b}H$  and  $t\bar{t}H$  yields are combined. The expected and observed numbers of events are given for two  $m_{4\ell}$  mass ranges: 120-130 GeV and above 110 GeV. Three of the VBF candidates are found in the mass region 120-130 GeV with invariant masses of 123.2, 123.4 and 125.7 GeV. Only one VBF candidate has a  $BDT_{VBF}$  output above zero:  $m_{4\ell} = 123.4 \text{ GeV}$  and a BDT<sub>VBF</sub> output value of 0.7. In this mass window, the expected number of VBF candidates with BDT<sub>VBF</sub> output above zero is  $1.26 \pm 0.15$ , where half of this is expected to be from a true VBF signal, about 35% from ggF production and the rest is mostly from ZZ\* and reducible backgrounds. The distributions of  $m_{4\ell}$  and the BDT<sub>VBF</sub> output for the VBF enriched category in the full mass range and in the fit range of 110-140 GeV are shown in Fig. 18. The signal purity, defined as S/(S+B), as a function of the  $BDT_{VBF}$  output is shown in Fig. 19 for Higgs events relative to the backgrounds and for VBF events relative to the other Higgs boson production mechanisms for  $110 < m_{4\ell} < 140$  GeV. There is no VH candidate in the 120-130 GeV mass range for either the hadronic or leptonic categories. For the full mass range above 110 GeV all categories are dominated by ZZ\* background, and the observed number of events agrees well with the expectation as can be seen in Table XII.

In the following, measurements of the production strengths and couplings are discussed. They are all

TABLE XII. Expected and observed yields in the VBF enriched, VH-hadronic enriched, VH-leptonic enriched and ggF enriched categories. The yields are given for the different production modes and the  $ZZ^*$  and reducible background for 4.6 fb<sup>-1</sup> at  $\sqrt{s} = 7$  TeV and 20.3 fb<sup>-1</sup> at  $\sqrt{s} = 8$  TeV. The estimates are given for both the  $m_{4\ell}$  mass range 120–130 GeV and the mass range above 110 GeV.

		Sig	nal		Backg	ground		
Enriched category	$\begin{array}{c} ggF+b\bar{b}H+\\ t\bar{t}H \end{array}$	VBF	VH-hadronic	VH-leptonic	$ZZ^*$	$Z + jets, t\bar{t}$	Total expected	Observed
			120 < <i>n</i>	$n_{4\ell} < 130 \text{ GeV}$				
VBF	$1.18\pm0.37$	$0.75\pm0.04$	$0.083\pm0.006$	$0.013\pm0.001$	$0.17\pm0.03$	$0.25\pm0.14$	$2.4 \pm 0.4$	3
$(BDT_{VBF} > 0)$	$0.48\pm0.15$	$0.62\pm0.04$	$0.023\pm0.002$	$0.004\pm0.001$	$0.06\pm0.01$	$0.10\pm0.05$	$1.26\pm0.15$	1
VH-hadronic	$0.40\pm0.12$	$0.034\pm0.004$	$0.20\pm0.01$	$0.009\pm0.001$	$0.09\pm0.01$	$0.09\pm0.04$	$0.80\pm0.12$	0
VH-leptonic	$0.013\pm0.002$	< 0.001	< 0.001	$0.069\pm0.004$	$0.015\pm0.002$	$0.016\pm0.019$	$0.11\pm0.02$	0
ggF	$12.8\pm1.3$	$0.57\pm0.02$	$0.24\pm0.01$	$0.11\pm0.01$	$7.1 \pm 0.2$	$2.7\pm0.4$	$23.5\pm1.4$	34
			$m_{4\ell}$	> 110 GeV				
VBF	$1.4 \pm 0.4$	$0.82\pm0.05$	$0.092\pm0.007$	$0.022\pm0.002$	$20 \pm 4$	$1.6 \pm 0.9$	$24. \pm 4.$	32
$(BDT_{VBF} > 0)$	$0.54\pm0.17$	$0.68\pm0.04$	$0.025\pm0.002$	$0.007\pm0.001$	$8.2 \pm 1.6$	$0.6 \pm 0.3$	$10.0\pm1.6$	12
VH-hadronic	$0.46\pm0.14$	$0.038\pm0.004$	$0.23\pm0.01$	$0.015\pm0.001$	$9.0 \pm 1.2$	$0.6 \pm 0.2$	$10.3\pm1.2$	13
VH-leptonic	$0.026\pm0.004$	< 0.002	< 0.002	$0.15\pm0.01$	$0.63\pm0.04$	$0.11\pm0.14$	$0.92\pm0.16$	1
ggF	$14.1\pm1.5$	$0.63\pm0.02$	$0.27\pm0.01$	$0.17\pm0.01$	$351.\pm20$	$16.6\pm2.2$	$383.\pm20$	420

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FIG. 18 (color online). Distributions of the selected events and expected signal and background yields for the VBF enriched category for (a)  $m_{4\ell}$  and (b) the BDT<sub>VBF</sub> output in the full mass range, and for (c)  $m_{4\ell}$  and (d) the BDT<sub>VBF</sub> output in the fit mass range 110 <  $m_{4\ell}$  < 140 GeV. The expected Higgs signal contributions, assuming  $m_H = 125$  GeV, from the ggF (blue histogram), VBF (green histogram) and VH (dark-blue histogram) production modes are included. The expected background contributions,  $ZZ^*$  (red histogram) and Z + jets plus  $i\bar{i}$  (violet histogram), are also shown; the systematic uncertainty associated to the total background contribution is represented by the hatched areas. In every case, the combination of the 7 and 8 TeV results is shown.

evaluated assuming the ATLAS combined mass  $m_H = 125.36$  GeV. The measurement of a global signal strength factor, discussed in Sec. X A, can be extended to a measurement of the signal strength factors for specific production modes.

The production mechanisms are grouped into the "fermionic" and the "bosonic" ones. The former consists of ggF,  $b\bar{b}H$  and  $t\bar{t}H$ , while the latter includes the VBF and VH modes. In Fig. 20 the best fit value for  $\mu_{ggF+b\bar{b}H+t\bar{t}H} \times B/B_{SM}$  versus  $\mu_{VBF+VH} \times B/B_{SM}$  is presented. The factor  $B/B_{SM}$ , the scale factor of the branching ratio with respect to the SM value, is included since with a single channel analysis the source of potential deviations from the SM expectation cannot be resolved between production and decay. The profile likelihood ratio contours that correspond to the 68% and 95% confidence levels are also shown. The measured values for  $\mu_{ggF+b\bar{b}H+i\bar{t}H} \times B/B_{SM}$  and  $\mu_{VBF+VH} \times B/B_{SM}$  are respectively

$$\mu_{ggF+b\bar{b}H+t\bar{t}H} \times B/B_{SM} = 1.66^{+0.45}_{-0.41} (\text{stat})^{+0.25}_{-0.15} (\text{syst})$$
  
$$\mu_{VBF+VH} \times B/B_{SM} = 0.26^{+1.60}_{-0.21} (\text{stat})^{+0.36}_{-0.23} (\text{syst}).$$
(6)

The rounded results, with statistical and systematic uncertainties combined, are  $\mu_{ggF+b\bar{b}H+i\bar{t}H} \times B/B_{SM} = 1.7^{+0.5}_{-0.4}$ and  $\mu_{VBF+VH} \times B/B_{SM} = 0.3^{+1.6}_{-0.9}$ .

The fit to the categories can be constrained to extract a single overall signal strength for the  $H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4\ell$  final state.



FIG. 19 (color online). Signal purity, defined as S/(S + B), as a function of the BDT<sub>VBF</sub> output. The solid blue line shows the purity for all Higgs signal production mechanisms relative to the  $ZZ^*$  and reducible backgrounds. The dashed green line shows the purity for VBF events relative to the other Higgs boson production mechanisms, for the fit region  $110 < m_{4\ell} < 140$  GeV. The binning is chosen so that each bin contains 10% of the total expected signal events. The five VBF candidates observed in data in the signal region are indicated with the black arrows.

This combined  $\mu \times B/B_{\text{SM}}$  is  $1.44^{+0.34}_{-0.31}$  (stat)  $^{+0.21}_{-0.11}$  (syst). The ambiguity between production and decay is removed in Fig. 20(b), where the ratio  $\mu_{\text{VBF+VH}}/\mu_{\text{ggF}+b\bar{b}H+i\bar{t}H}$  is presented. The measured value of this ratio is  $0.2^{+1.2}_{-0.5}$ .

Following the approach and benchmarks recommended by the LHC Higgs Cross Section Working Group [103],

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measurements of couplings are implemented using a leading-order tree-level-motivated framework. This framework is based on the following assumptions: (a) the central value of the ATLAS combined mass measurement of  $m_H = 125.36$  GeV is assumed; (b) the width of the Higgs boson is narrow, justifying the use of the zero-width approximation; and (c) only modifications of coupling strengths are considered, while the SM tensor structure is assumed, implying that the observed state is a CP-even scalar. The zero-width approximation allows the signal cross section to be decomposed in the following way:  $\sigma \cdot B(i \to H \to f) = \sigma_i \cdot \Gamma_f / \Gamma_H$  where  $\sigma_i$  is the production cross section through the initial state *i*; *B* and  $\Gamma_f$  are the branching ratio and partial decay width into the final state f, respectively; and  $\Gamma_H$  the total width of the Higgs boson. This approach introduces scale factors applied to the Higgs boson coupling,  $\kappa_i$ , for particle *j*, which correspond to deviations from the SM Higgs coupling. For example, ggF production of the ZZ\* final state can be represented as  $\sigma \cdot B(gg \to H \to ZZ^*) = \sigma_{\rm SM}(gg \to H) \cdot$  $B_{\rm SM}(H \to ZZ^*) \cdot (\kappa_g^2 \cdot \kappa_Z^2) / \kappa_H^2$ , where  $\kappa_g$ ,  $\kappa_Z$ , and  $\kappa_H$  are the scale factors for the Higgs couplings to g and Z, and a scale factor for the total Higgs width, respectively. Results are extracted from fits to the data using the profile likelihood ratio  $\Lambda(\vec{\kappa})$ . In the fit, the  $\kappa_i$  are treated either as parameters of interest or as nuisance parameters, depending on the measurement.

One benchmark model, which simplifies the measurement of possible deviations, groups the  $\kappa_j$  for the electroweak vector bosons into a single scale factor,  $\kappa_V$ , and defines another coupling scale factor for all fermions,  $\kappa_F$ . The photon- and gluon-loop couplings are derived from the tree-level couplings to the massive gauge bosons and



FIG. 20 (color online). (a) Likelihood contours in the  $(\mu_{ggF+b\bar{b}H+\bar{n}H}, \mu_{VBF+VH})$  plane including the branching ratio factor  $B/B_{SM}$ . Only the part of the plane where the expected number of signal events in each category is positive is considered. The best fit to the data (open cross) and the 68% CL (solid line) and 95% CL (dashed line) contours are also indicated, as well as the SM expectation (solid red +). (b) Results of a likelihood scan for  $\mu_{VBF+VH}/\mu_{ggF+b\bar{b}H+\bar{n}H}$ .

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FIG. 21 (color online). (a) Likelihood contours at 68% CL (solid line) and 95% CL (dashed line) in the  $\kappa_V - \kappa_F$  plane; the SM expectation (solid red cross) is also indicated. (b) Likelihood scan as a function of the ratio  $\lambda_{FV} = \kappa_F / \kappa_V$ . The Higgs boson mass is assumed to be the ATLAS combined value of  $m_H = 125.36$  GeV.

fermions, and it is assumed there is no non-SM contribution to the total decay width. The likelihood contours in the  $\kappa_V \kappa_F$  plane are shown in Fig. 21. Since  $\kappa_V$  and  $\kappa_F$  are related as  $\kappa_F = \kappa_V \times \mu_{ggF+b\bar{b}H+\bar{d}H}/\mu_{VBF+VH}$ ,  $\kappa_F$  remains unbounded in Fig. 21 because the present measurement of  $\mu_{VBF+VH}/\mu_{ggF+b\bar{b}H+\bar{d}H}$  cannot exclude the value of zero, as can be seen in Fig. 20(b). The compatibility with the SM expectation is 30%. In Fig. 21(b) the likelihood scan as a function of the ratio of fermion to vector-boson coupling scale factors,  $\lambda_{FV} = \kappa_F/\kappa_V$ , is presented in the same benchmark model but where no assumption on the total decay width is made; the branching ratio of the Higgs boson to a pair of Z bosons cancels in the ratio. The value  $\lambda_{FV} = 0$  is disfavored at the  $4\sigma$  level.

# XI. SUMMARY

The final Run I measurements of the Higgs boson production and couplings in the decay channel  $H \rightarrow$  $ZZ^* \rightarrow \ell^+ \ell^- \ell'^+ \ell'^-$  are presented. These measurements were performed using pp collision data corresponding to integrated luminosities of 4.5 fb<sup>-1</sup> and 20.3 fb<sup>-1</sup> at  $\sqrt{s} =$ 7 TeV and  $\sqrt{s} = 8$  TeV, respectively, recorded with the ATLAS detector at the LHC. The signal and background simulation, the electron and muon reconstruction and identification, the event selection and the reducible background estimations are discussed in detail. The analysis was performed both inclusively and with events separated into categories for VBF, VH and ggF production modes. Three multivariate discriminants are employed to improve the separation of the Higgs signal from the  $ZZ^{\ast}$  background, to separate VBF from ggF Higgs boson production using jet kinematics, and to distinguish hadronic decays of W and Z produced in association with a Higgs from ggF production.

For the inclusive analysis, in the  $m_H$  range 120– 130 GeV, 37 events are observed while  $26.5 \pm 1.7$  events are expected, decomposed as  $16.2 \pm 1.6$  events for a SM Higgs signal with  $m_H = 125$  GeV,  $7.4 \pm 0.4$  ZZ<sup>\*</sup> background events and  $2.9 \pm 0.3$  reducible background events. This excess corresponds to a  $H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4\ell$  signal observed (expected) with a significance of 8.1 (6.2) standard deviations at the combined ATLAS measurement of the Higgs boson mass,  $m_H = 125.36$  GeV [9].

For the VBF category, one event is seen with a high multivariate discriminant value and a mass of 123.4 GeV. No VH candidate is found in the  $m_H$  range 120–130 GeV with the W or Z decaying either hadronically or leptonically. The gluon fusion signal strength is found to be  $1.66 \substack{+0.45 \\ -0.41}$  (stat)  $\substack{+0.25 \\ -0.15}$  (syst) and the signal strength for vector-boson fusion is found to be  $0.26^{+1.60}_{-0.91}$  (stat)  $^{+0.36}_{-0.23}$  (syst). At the combined ATLAS measurement of the Higgs boson mass,  $m_H = 125.36$  GeV, the measured combined production rate relative to the SM expectation is  $\mu = 1.44^{+0.34}_{-0.31}$  (stat)  $^{+0.21}_{-0.11}$  (syst). This measurement is based on a fit to the categories assuming a single overall signal strength. The ratio  $\mu_{\text{VBF+VH}}/\mu_{\text{ggF}+b\bar{b}H+t\bar{t}H}$ , which is independent of the  $H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4\ell$  branching ratio, is found to be  $0.2^{+1.2}_{-0.5}$ . Finally, the observed event yields in the categories are used to quantify the compatibility with the SM predictions in terms of the Higgs coupling scale factor for weak vector bosons ( $\kappa_V$ ) and fermions ( $\kappa_F$ ); they are found to agree with the SM expectations.

The coupling measurements presented here for the Higgs boson decay to four leptons supersede those of the previous ATLAS study [6] and are improved with respect to the earlier results.

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ABSTRACT



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tector covering the pseudorapidity range  $|\eta| < 2.5$  surrounded by a superconducting solenoid, electromagnetic and hadronic calorime-

ters, and an external muon spectrometer with large superconduct-

pendence of the acceptance corrections related to the extrapolation

to phase-space regions not covered by the detector. The measured fiducial cross sections are corrected for detector effects to be di-

rectly compared to theoretical calculations.

Fiducial cross sections are quoted to minimize the model de-

The differential measurements are performed in several ob-

servables related to the Higgs boson production and decay. These

include the transverse momentum  $p_{T,H}$  and rapidity  $|y_H|$  of the Higgs boson, the invariant mass of the subleading lepton pair  $m_{34}$ 

(the leading and subleading lepton pairs are defined in Section 3) and the magnitude of the cosine of the decay angle of the lead-

ing lepton pair in the four-lepton rest frame with respect to the beam axis  $|\cos\theta^*|$ . The number of jets  $n_{jets}$  and the transverse momentum of the leading jet  $p_{T,jet}$  are also included. The distribution of the  $p_{T,H}$  observable is sensitive to the Higgs boson

production mechanisms as well as spin/CP quantum numbers, and

can be used to test perturbative QCD predictions. This distribution

pipe. The x-axis points from the IP to the centre of the LHC ring, and the y-axis

points upward. Cylindrical coordinates  $(r, \phi)$  are used in the transverse plane.

being the azimuthal angle around the beam pipe. The pseudorapidity is defined in terms of the polar angle  $\theta$  as  $\eta = -\ln[\tan(\theta/2)]$ .

#### 1. Introduction

In 2012 the ATLAS and CMS Collaborations announced the discovery of a new particle [1,2] in the search for the Standard Model (SM) Higgs boson [3-8] at the CERN Large Hadron Collider (LHC) [9]. Since this discovery, the particle's mass  $m_H$  was measured by the ATLAS and CMS Collaborations [10–12]. The result of the ATLAS measurement based on 25 fb<sup>-1</sup> of data collected at centre-of-mass energies of 7 TeV and 8 TeV is 125.36  $\pm$  0.41 GeV. Tests of the couplings and spin/CP quantum numbers have been reported by both collaborations [11,13,14] and show agreement with the predicted scalar nature of the SM Higgs boson.

In this Letter, measurements of fiducial and differential production cross sections for the  $H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4\ell$  decay channel are reported and compared to selected theoretical calculations. The event selection and the background determination are the same as in Ref. [15], where a detailed description is given. For this measurement, an integrated luminosity of 20.3 fb<sup>-1</sup> of *pp* collisions is analyzed. The data were collected at the LHC at a centre-of-mass energy of  $\sqrt{s} = 8$  TeV and recorded with the ATLAS detector [16]. The ATLAS detector covers the pseudorapidity range  $|\eta| < 4.9$  and the full azimuthal angle  $\phi$ .<sup>1</sup> It consists of an inner tracking de-

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has been studied extensively and precise predictions exist (see e.g. Refs. [17–21]), including the effect of finite quark masses. The distribution of the  $|y_H|$  observable can be used to probe the parton distribution functions (PDFs) of the proton. The distributions of the decay variables  $m_{34}$  and  $|\cos\theta^*|$  are sensitive to the Lagrangian structure of Higgs boson interactions, e.g. spin/CP quantum numbers and higher-dimensional operators. The jet multiplicity and transverse momentum distributions are sensitive to QCD radiation effects and to the relative rates of Higgs boson production modes. The distribution of the transverse momentum of the leading jet probes quark and gluon radiation.

#### 2. Theoretical predictions and simulated samples

The Higgs boson production cross sections and decay branching fractions as well as their uncertainties are taken from Refs. [21,22]. The cross sections for the gluon-fusion (ggF) process have been calculated to next-to-leading order (NLO) [23-25], and next-tonext-to-leading order (NNLO) [26-28] in QCD with additional nextto-next-to-leading logarithm (NNLL) soft-gluon resummation [29]. The cross section values have been modified to include NLO electroweak (EW) radiative corrections, assuming factorization between OCD and EW effects [30-34]. The cross sections for the vector-boson fusion (VBF) processes are calculated with full NLO QCD and EW corrections [35-37], and approximate NNLO QCD corrections are included [38]. The cross sections for the associated WH/ZH production processes (VH) are calculated at NLO [39] and at NNLO [40] in QCD, and NLO EW radiative corrections [41] are applied. The cross sections for associated Higgs boson production with a  $t\bar{t}$  pair ( $t\bar{t}H$ ) are calculated at NLO in QCD [42–45]

The Higgs boson branching fractions for decays to four-lepton final states are provided by PROPHECY4F [46,47], which implements the complete NLO QCD + EW corrections and interference effects between identical final-state fermions.

The  $H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4\ell$  signal is modelled using the PowHEG Monte Carlo (MC) event generator [48–52], which calculates separately the ggF and VBF production mechanisms with matrix elements up to NLO. The description of the Higgs boson transverse momentum spectrum in the ggF process is adjusted to follow the calculation in Refs. [19,20], which includes QCD corrections up to NLO and QCD soft-gluon resummations up to NNLL, as well as finite quark masses [53]. POWHEG is interfaced to PYTHIA8 [54] for showering and hadronization, which in turn is interfaced to PHO-TOS [55,56] to model photon radiation in the final state. PYTHIA8 is used to simulate VH and  $t\bar{t}H$  production. The response of the ATLAS detector is modelled in a simulation [57] based on GEANT4 [58].

The measured fiducial cross-section distributions are compared to three ggF theoretical calculations: POWHEG without the adjustments to the  $p_{T,H}$  spectrum described above, POWHEG interfaced to MINLO (Multi-scale improved NLO) [59] and HREs2 (v.2.2) [19,20]. POWHEG with MINLO provides predictions for jet-related variables at NLO for Higgs boson production in association with one jet. The HREs2 program computes fixed-order cross sections for ggF SM Higgs boson production up to NNLO. All-order resummation of soft-gluon effects at small transverse momenta is consistently included up to NNLL, using dynamic factorization and resummation scales. The program implements top- and bottom-quark mass dependence up to NLL + NLO. At NNLL + NNLO level only the topquark contribution is considered. HREs2 does not perform showering and QED final-state radiation effects are not included.

The contributions from the other production modes are added to the ggF predictions. At a centre-of-mass energy of 8 TeV and for a Higgs boson mass of 125.4 GeV, their relative contributions to the total cross section are 87.3% (ggF), 7.1% (VBF), 3.1% (WH), 1.9% (ZH) and 0.6% (t\bar{t}H), respectively.

All theoretical predictions are computed for a SM Higgs boson with mass 125.4 GeV. They are normalized to the most precise SM inclusive cross-section predictions currently available [60], corrected for the fiducial acceptance derived from the simulation.

The ZZ, WZ,  $t\bar{t}$  and Z + jets background events are modelled using the simulated samples and cross sections described in Ref. [15].

#### 3. Event selection

The detector level physics object definitions of muons, electrons, and jets, and the event selection applied in this analysis are the same as in Ref. [15], with the exception of the jet selection and the additional requirement on the four-lepton invariant mass described below. A brief overview is given in this section.

Events with at least four leptons are selected with single-lepton and dilepton triggers. The transverse momentum and transverse energy thresholds for the single-muon and single-electron triggers are 24 GeV. Two dimuon triggers are used, one with symmetric thresholds at 13 GeV and the other with asymmetric thresholds at 18 GeV and 8 GeV. For the dielectron trigger the symmetric thresholds are 12 GeV. Furthermore there is an electron-muon trigger with thresholds at 12 GeV (electron) and 8 GeV (muon).

Higgs boson candidates are formed by selecting two sameflavour opposite-sign (SFOS) lepton pairs (a lepton quadruplet). The leptons must satisfy identification, impact parameter, and trackbased and calorimeter-based isolation criteria. Each muon (electron) must satisfy transverse momentum  $p_{\rm T} > 6$  GeV (transverse energy  $E_{\rm T} > 7$  GeV) and be in the pseudorapidity range  $|\eta| < 2.7$ (2.47). The highest- $p_{\rm T}$  lepton in the quadruplet must satisfy  $p_{\rm T} >$ 20 GeV, and the second (third) lepton in  $p_{\rm T}$  order must satisfy  $p_{\rm T} > 15$  (10) GeV. The leptons are required to be separated from each other by  $\Delta R \equiv \sqrt{(\Delta \eta)^2 + (\Delta \phi)^2} > 0.1$  (0.2) when having the same (different) lepton flavours.

Multiple quadruplets within a single event are possible: for four muons or four electrons there are two ways to pair the masses, and for five or more leptons there are multiple combinations. The quadruplet selection is done separately in each channel:  $4\mu$ ,  $2e2\mu$ ,  $2\mu 2e$ , 4e, keeping only a single quadruplet per channel. Here the first flavour index refers to the leading lepton pair, which is the pair with the invariant mass  $m_{12}$  closest to the Z boson mass [61]. The invariant mass  $m_{12}$  is required to be between 50 GeV and 106 GeV. The subleading pair of each channel is chosen as the remaining pair with mass  $m_{34}$  closest to the Z boson mass and satisfying the requirement  $12 < m_{34} < 115$  GeV. Finally, if more than one channel has a quadruplet passing the selection, the channel with the highest expected signal rate is kept, in the order:  $4\mu$ , 2e2 $\mu$ , 2 $\mu$ 2e, 4e. A  $J/\psi$  veto is applied:  $m(\ell_i, \ell_j) > 5$  GeV for SFOS lepton pairs. Only events with a four-lepton invariant mass in the range 118-129 GeV are kept. This requirement defines the signal mass window and was chosen by minimizing the expected uncertainty on the total signal yield determination, taking into account the experimental uncertainty on the Higgs boson mass

Jets are reconstructed from topological clusters of calorimeter cells using the anti- $k_t$  algorithm [62] with the distance parameter R = 0.4. In this analysis, jets [63] are selected by requiring  $p_T > 30$  GeV, |y| < 4.4 and, in order to avoid double counting of electrons that are also reconstructed as jets,  $\Delta R$ (jet, electron) > 0.2.

The events are divided into bins of the variables of interest, which are computed with the reconstructed four-momenta of the selected lepton quadruplets or from the reconstructed jets: the transverse momentum  $p_{T,H}^{\text{reco}}$  and the rapidity  $|y_{H}^{\text{reco}}|$  of the four-lepton system, the invariant mass of the subleading lepton pair

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Lepton selection	
Muons:	$p_{\rm T} > 6 \text{ GeV},  \eta  < 2.7$
Electrons:	$p_{\rm T} > 7~{ m GeV},~ \eta  < 2.47$
Lepton pairing	
Leading pair:	SFOS lepton pair with smallest $ m_Z - m_{\ell\ell} $
Subleading pair:	Remaining SFOS lepton pair with smallest $ m_Z-m_{\ell\ell} $
Event selection	
Lepton kinematics:	$p_{\rm T} > 20, 15, 10 \text{ GeV}$
Mass requirements:	$50 < m_{12} < 106$ GeV, $12 < m_{34} < 115$ GeV
Lepton separation:	$\Delta R(\ell_i, \ell_j) > 0.1$ (0.2) for same-
	(different-) flavour leptons
$J/\psi$ veto:	$m(\ell_i, \ell_j) > 5$ GeV for all SFOS lepton pairs
Mass window:	$118 < m_{4\ell} < 129 \text{ GeV}$

 $m_{34}^{\text{reco}}$ , the magnitude of the cosine of the decay angle of the leading lepton pair in the four-lepton rest frame with respect to the beam axis  $|\cos\theta^{*\text{reco}}|$ , the number of jets  $n_{\text{jets}}^{\text{reco}}$ , and the transverse momentum of the leading jet  $p_{T,jet}^{reco}$ . In order to distinguish them from the unfolded variables used in the cross section bin definition, they are labelled with "reco".

#### 4. Definition of the fiducial region

The fiducial selection, outlined in Table 1, is designed to replicate at simulation level, before applying detector effects, the analysis selection as closely as possible in order to minimize modeldependent acceptance effects on the measured cross sections.

The fiducial selection is applied to electrons and muons originating from vector-boson decays before they emit photon radiation, referred to as Born-level leptons. An alternative approach would be to correct the lepton momenta by adding final-state radiation photons within a cone of size  $\Delta R < 0.1$  around each lepton (dressing). For this analysis the acceptance difference between Born and dressed-lepton definitions is less than 0.5%. Particle-level jets are reconstructed from all stable particles except muons and neutrinos using the anti- $k_t$  algorithm with the distance parameter R = 0.4.

Jets are selected by requiring  $p_{\rm T}$  > 30 GeV, |y|< 4.4 and  $\Delta R$ (jet, electron) > 0.2. Muons (electrons) must satisfy  $p_T > 6$ (7) GeV and  $|\eta| < 2.7$  (2.47). Events in which at least one of the Z bosons decays into  $\tau$  leptons are removed. Ouadruplets are formed from two pairs of SFOS leptons. The leptons are paired as in Section 3, including the possibility of incorrectly pairing the leptons, which happens in about 5% of the selected events for a SM Higgs boson with mass 125.4 GeV. The leading pair is defined as the SFOS lepton pair with invariant mass  $m_{12}$  closest to the Z boson mass and the subleading pair is defined as the remaining SFOS lepton pair with invariant mass  $m_{34}$  closest to the Z boson mass.

The three highest- $p_T$  leptons in the quadruplet are required to have  $p_{\rm T} > 20, 15, 10$  GeV, respectively, and the lepton pairs must have  $50 < m_{12} < 106$  GeV and  $12 < m_{34} < 115$  GeV.

The separation between the leptons is required to be  $\Delta R(\ell_i, \ell_j) > 0.1$  (0.2) for same- (different-) flavour leptons. A  $J/\psi$ veto is applied:  $m(\ell_i, \ell_j) > 5$  GeV for all SFOS lepton pairs. Furthermore, the mass of the four-lepton system  $m_{4\ell}$  must be close to  $m_H$ , i.e.  $118 < m_{4\ell} < 129$  GeV.

For a SM Higgs boson mass of 125.4 GeV, the acceptance of the fiducial selection (with respect to the full phase space of  $H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 2\ell 2\ell'$ , where  $\ell, \ell' = e, \mu$ ) is 45.7%. The number of events passing the event selection divided by the number of events passing the fiducial selection is 55.3%; about 1% of the events passing the event selection do not pass the fiducial selection.

#### 5. Background estimate

The background estimates used in this analysis are described in detail in Ref. [15]. The irreducible ZZ and the reducible WZ background contributions are estimated using simulated samples normalized to NLO predictions. For the jet-related variables, the simulation predictions are compared to data for  $m_{4\ell} > 190$  GeV where the ZZ background process is dominant; shape differences between the distributions in data and simulation are used to estimate systematic uncertainties

The reducible Z + jets and  $t\bar{t}$  background contributions are estimated with data-driven methods. Their normalizations are obtained from data control regions and extrapolated to the signal region using transfer factors. The  $\ell\ell + \mu\mu$  final state is dominated by Z + heavy-flavour jets and the  $\ell\ell + ee$  final state by Z + lightflavour jets. The misidentification of light-flavour jets as electrons is difficult to model in the simulation. Therefore the distributions for  $\ell \ell + ee$  are taken from data control regions and extrapolated to the signal region, while the background distributions for  $\ell \ell + \mu \mu$ are taken from simulated samples.

After the analysis selection about 9 background events are expected: 6.7 events from irreducible ZZ and 2.2 events from the reducible background.

The observed distributions compared to the signal and background expectations for the six reconstructed observables  $p_{T,H}^{\text{reco}}$  $|y_H^{\text{reco}}|$ ,  $m_{34}^{\text{reco}}$ ,  $|\cos\theta^{*\text{reco}}|$ ,  $n_{\text{jets}}^{\text{reco}}$ , and  $p_{T,\text{jet}}^{\text{reco}}$  are shown in Fig. 1. The signal prediction includes VBF, ZH, WH, ttH, and the POWHEG ggF calculation for a Higgs boson with  $m_H = 125$  GeV and is normalized to the most precise SM inclusive cross-section calculation currently available [60].

#### 6. Observed differential yields and unfolding

The extraction of the signal yield for the measurement of the fiducial cross section is performed through a fit to the  $m_{4\ell}$  distribution using shape templates for the signal and background contributions [15]. In this fit, the Higgs boson mass is fixed to 125.4 GeV and the parameter of interest is the total number of signal events. The extracted number of observed signal events in the mass window is  $23.7^{+5.9}_{-5.3}$ (stat.)  $\pm 0.6$ (syst.).

In the differential cross-section measurements, given the low number of signal events expected in each measured bin i, the signal yields  $n_i^{sig}$  are determined by subtracting the expected number of background events from the observed number of events. This is done within the mass window for each bin of the observable of interest. The total number of observed events in the mass window is 34 and the extracted signal yield is  $25.1^{+0.3}_{-5.4}$ (stat.) $^{+0.6}_{-0.4}$ (syst.) events.

The difference between the number of signal events extracted with the two methods is mainly due to fixing the Higgs boson mass to 125.4 GeV in the fit method. As reported in Ref. [10], the best fit mass in the  $H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4\ell$  channel alone is 124.5 GeV. causing smaller weights for some events in the fit.

After subtracting the background, the measured signal yields are corrected for detector efficiency and resolution effects. This unfolding is performed using correction factors derived from simulated SM signal samples. The correction factor in the *i*-th bin is calculated as

$$c_i = \frac{N_i^{\text{reco}}}{N_i^{\text{fid}}},$$

where  $N_i^{\text{reco}}$  is the number of reconstructed events in the *i*-th bin of the observed distribution and  $N_i^{\text{fid}}$  is the number of events in



**Fig. 1.** Data yield distributions for the transverse momentum  $p_{T,H}^{reco}$  and the rapidity  $|y_{I}^{reco}|$  of the four-lepton system, the invariant mass of the subleading lepton pair  $m_{I,H}^{reco}$  and the rapidity  $|y_{I}^{reco}|$  of the four-lepton system, the invariant mass of the subleading lepton pair  $m_{I,H}^{reco}$ , the magnitude of the cosine of the decay angle of the leading lepton pair in the four-lepton rest frame with respect to the beam axis  $|\cos\theta^{sreco}|$ , the number of jets  $m_{J,H}^{reco}$ , and the transverse momentum of the leading jet  $p_{I,J}^{reco}$  compared to signal and background expectations. The signal prediction includes VBF, ZH, WH,  $t\bar{t}H$ , and the PowHEG ggF calculation for a Higgs boson with  $m_H = 125$  GeV and is normalized to the most precise SM inclusive cross-section calculation currently available [60]. The hatched areas denote the systematic uncertainties on the backgrounds. (For interpretation of the references to colour in this figure legend, the reader is referred to the web version of this article.)

the i-th bin of the particle-level distribution, within the fiducial region.

The unfolded signal yield in each bin is then converted into a differential fiducial cross section via

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}\sigma_{\mathrm{fid},i}}{\mathrm{d}x_i} = \frac{n_i^{\mathrm{sig}}}{c_i \cdot \mathcal{L}_{\mathrm{int}} \cdot \Delta x_i}$$

where  $\Delta x_i$  is the bin width and  $\mathcal{L}_{int}$  the integrated luminosity.

The correction factors used in this analysis are obtained from simulated samples for all SM Higgs production modes, using the relative rates as predicted by the SM. The inclusive correction factor is  $c=0.553\pm0.002(\text{stat.})\pm0.015(\text{syst.})$ . The correction factors for the different production modes are 0.553 (ggF), 0.572 (VBF), 0.535 (WH), 0.551 (ZH) and 0.417 ( $t\bar{t}H$ ). In  $t\bar{t}H$  production the Higgs boson is accompanied by light- and heavy-flavour jets as well as possible additional leptons from the top-quark decays. Since lepton isolation is applied to the reconstructed but not the

Table 2

Summary of the relative systematic uncertainties on the total background contribution (top rows) and on the parameters that enter the signal extraction (bottom rows). The ranges indicate the variation across observables and bins.

1.4-2.3
1.6-34
1.3-2.3
3.0-24
2.8
2.1-2.6
2.7-13
0.1-15
0.4-2.7

fiducial objects, the correction factors for  $t\bar{t}H$  differ from those for the other production modes.

For each bin, the number of expected background events, the number of observed events, the luminosity, and the correction factors are used to calculate a profile likelihood ratio [64]. The likelihood includes shape and normalization uncertainties of backgrounds and correction factors as nuisance parameters. For each variable all bins are included in the likelihood and correlations of uncertainties between the different bins and between backgrounds and correction factors are taken into account. The cross sections are extracted for each bin by minimizing twice the negative logarithm of the profile likelihood ratio  $-2\ln \Lambda$ . The uncertainties on the cross sections are also estimated using  $-2\ln \Lambda$  by evaluating its variation as a function of the parameter of interest (the cross section value in each bin). Under the asymptotic assumption [64],  $-2\ln\Lambda$  behaves as a  $\chi^2$  distribution with one degree of freedom. For some of the fitted intervals, due to the low number of events. the distribution of the profile likelihood ratio does not follow a distribution and the uncertainties are derived using pseudoexperiments.

The compatibility between the measured cross sections and the theoretical predictions is evaluated by computing the difference between the value of  $-2 \ln \Lambda$  at the best-fit value and the value obtained by fixing the cross sections in all bins to the ones predicted by theory. Under the asymptotic assumption [64], this statistical observable behaves as a  $\chi^2$  with the number of degrees of freedom equal to the number of bins; it is used as a test statistic to compute the *p*-values quantifying the compatibility between the observed distributions and the predictions. For all measured observables the asymptotic assumption is verified with pseudoexperiments.

#### 7. Systematic uncertainties

Systematic uncertainties are calculated for the estimated backgrounds, the correction factors, and the SM theoretical predictions; the latter only have an impact on the quantitative comparison of the measurements with different predictions. An overview of the systematic uncertainties on the total background prediction and the correction factors is shown in Table 2.

The uncertainty on the integrated luminosity is propagated in a correlated way to the backgrounds evaluated from the MC predictions and to the unfolding, where it is used when converting the estimated unfolded signal yield into a fiducial cross section. This uncertainty is derived following the same methodology as that detailed in Ref. [65] from a preliminary calibration of the luminosity scale derived from beam-separation scans performed in November 2012.

Systematic uncertainties on the data-driven estimate of the reducible backgrounds are assigned both to the normalization and the shapes of the distributions by varying the estimation methods [15].

The systematic uncertainties on the lepton trigger, reconstruction and identification efficiencies [66,67] are propagated to the signal correction factors and the  $ZZ^*$  background, taking into account correlations. For the correction factors, systematic uncertainties are assigned on the jet resolution and energy scales. The largest systematic uncertainty is due to the uncertainty in the jet flavour composition [63,68,69].

The uncertainties on the correction factors due to PDF choice as well as QCD renormalization and factorization scale variations are evaluated in signal samples using the procedure described in Ref. [15] and found to be negligible. A similar procedure is followed for most variables for the irreducible *ZZ* background. For the jet-related observables an uncertainty is derived instead by comparing the data with the predicted *ZZ* distributions for  $m_{4\ell} > 190$  GeV, after normalizing the MC estimate to the observed data yield. The systematic uncertainty is estimated as the larger of the data-MC difference and the statistical uncertainty on the data. This systematic uncertainty accounts for both the theoretical and experimental uncertainties in the modelling of the *ZZ* jet distributions. Systematic uncertainties due to the modelling of QED final-state radiation are found to be negligible with respect to the total uncertainty.

The correction factors are calculated assuming the predicted relative cross sections of the different Higgs production modes. The corresponding systematic uncertainty is evaluated by varying these predictions within the current experimental bounds [14]. The VBF and VH fractions are varied by factors of 0.5 and 2 with respect to the SM prediction and the tTH fraction is varied by factors of 0 and 5.

The experimental uncertainty on  $m_H$  [10] is propagated to the correction factors by studying their dependence on the Higgs boson mass.

The systematic uncertainties on the theoretical predictions include the PDF and QCD scale choices as well as the uncertainty on the  $H \rightarrow ZZ^*$  branching fraction [60]. The procedure described in Ref. [70] is used to evaluate the scale uncertainties of the predicted  $n_{\text{jets}}$  distribution.

The upper edges of the uncertainty ranges in Table 2 are in most cases due to the highest bins in the  $n_{jets}$  and  $p_{T,jet}$  distributions. The background systematic uncertainties are large in some bins due to the limited statistics in the data control regions.

#### 8. Results

The cross section in the fiducial region described in Table 1 is

 $\sigma_{\text{tot}}^{\text{fid}} = 2.11^{+0.53}_{-0.47}(\text{stat.}) \pm 0.08(\text{syst.}) \text{ fb.}$ 

The theoretical prediction from Ref. [60] for a Higgs boson mass of 125.4 GeV is  $1.30\pm0.13$  fb.

The differential cross sections as a function of  $p_{T,H}$ ,  $y_H$ ,  $m_{34}$ ,  $|\cos\theta^*|$ ,  $n_{jets}$ , and  $p_{T,jet}$  are shown in Fig. 2. For all variables and bins the total uncertainties on the cross-section measurements are dominated by statistical uncertainties. PowHEG, MINLO and HRES2 calculations of ggF, added to VBF, ZH/WH and  $t\bar{t}H$  (see Section 2), are overlaid. The HRES2 calculation was developed for modelling the Higgs kinematic variables and is only used for  $p_{T,H}$  and  $y_H$ . The theoretical calculations are normalized to the most precise SM inclusive cross-section predictions currently available [60].

The *p*-values quantifying the compatibility between data and predictions, computed with the method described in Section 6, are shown in Table 3. No significant discrepancy is observed.



**Fig. 2.** Differential unfolded cross sections for the transverse momentum  $p_{T,H}$  and rapidity  $y_H$  of the Higgs boson, the invariant mass of the subleading lepton pair  $m_{34}$ , the magnitude of the cosine of the decay angle of the leading lepton pair in the four-lepton rest frame with respect to the beam axis  $|\cos\theta^*|$ , the number of jets  $n_{jets}$ , and the transverse momentum of the leading jet  $p_{T,jet}$  in the  $H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4\ell$  decay channel compared to different theoretical calculations of the ggF process: POWHEG, MINLO and HRES2. The contributions from VBF, ZH/WH and  $t\bar{t}H$  are determined as described in Section 2 and added to the ggF distributions. All theoretical calculations are normalized to the most precise SM inclusive cross-section predictions currently available [60]. The error bars on the data points show the total (stat.  $\oplus$  syst.) uncertainty, while the grey bands denote the systematic uncertainties. The bands of the theoretical prediction indicate the total uncertainty. (For interpretation of the references to colour in this figure legend, the reader is referred to the web version of this article.)

#### 9. Conclusion

Measurements of fiducial and differential cross sections in the  $H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4\ell$  decay channel are presented. They are based on 20.3 fb<sup>-1</sup> of *pp* collision data, produced at  $\sqrt{s} = 8$  TeV centre-of-mass energy at the LHC and recorded by the ATLAS detector. The cross sections are corrected for detector effects and compared to selected theoretical calculations. No significant deviation from the theoretical predictions is observed for any of the studied variables.

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Table 3

Compatibility tests of data with POWHEG, MINLO and HRES2 ggF calculations of SM Higgs boson production. The compatibility *p*-values are obtained, as explained in the text, from the difference between  $-2\ln \Lambda$  at the best-fit value and  $-2\ln \Lambda$  with the cross sections fixed to the theory computations.

Variable	p-values					
	Powheg	Minlo	HRes2			
рт.н	0.30	0.23	0.16			
YH	0.37	0.45	0.36			
m <sub>34</sub>	0.48	0.60	-			
$ \cos \theta^* $	0.35	0.45	-			
n <sub>iets</sub>	0.37	0.28	-			
p <sub>T,jet</sub>	0.33	0.26	-			

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## Measurement of the top quark mass in the $t\bar{t} \rightarrow$ dilepton channel from $\sqrt{s} = 8$ TeV ATLAS data

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#### ABSTRACT

The top quark mass is measured in the  $t\bar{t} \rightarrow$  dilepton channel (lepton =  $e, \mu$ ) using ATLAS data recorded in the year 2012 at the LHC. The data were taken at a proton–proton centre–of-mass energy of  $\sqrt{s} = 8$  TeV and correspond to an integrated luminosity of about 20.2 fb<sup>-1</sup>. Exploiting the template method, and using the distribution of invariant masses of lepton–b-jet pairs, the top quark mass is measured to be  $m_{top} = 172.99 \pm 0.41$  (stat)  $\pm 0.74$  (syst) GeV, with a total uncertainty of 0.84 GeV. Finally, a combination with previous ATLAS  $m_{top}$  measurements from  $\sqrt{s} = 7$  TeV data in the  $t\bar{t} \rightarrow$  dilepton and  $t\bar{t} \rightarrow$  lepton + jets channels results in  $m_{top} = 172.84 \pm 0.34$  (stat)  $\pm 0.61$  (syst) GeV, with a total uncertainty of 0.70 GeV. © 2016 The Author. Published by Elsevier BV. This is an open access article under the CC BV license (http://creativecommons.org/licenses/by/4.0/). Funded by SCOAP<sup>3</sup>.

#### 1. Introduction

The mass of the top quark ( $m_{top}$ ) is an important parameter of the Standard Model (SM) of particle physics. Precise measurements of  $m_{top}$  provide crucial information for global fits of electroweak parameters [1–3] which help assess the internal consistency of the SM and to probe its extensions. In addition, the value of  $m_{top}$  affects the stability of the SM Higgs potential, which has cosmological implications [4–6]. Many measurements of  $m_{top}$  have been performed by the Tevatron and LHC Collaborations. Combining a selection of those, the first Tevatron+LHC  $m_{top}$  result is  $m_{top} = 173.34 \pm 0.27$  (stat)  $\pm 0.71$  (syst) GeV, with a total uncertainty of 0.76 GeV [7]. Meanwhile, a number of new results have become available [8–13], some of which are more precise than the above combination. The latest ATLAS results in the  $t\bar{t} \rightarrow$  lepton + jets and  $t\bar{t} \rightarrow$  dilepton decay channels, both with electrons (*e*) and muons ( $\mu$ ) in the final state [14], are  $m_{top} = 172.33 \pm 0.75$  (stat)  $\pm$  1.02 (syst) GeV and  $m_{top} = 173.79 \pm 0.54$  (stat)  $\pm$  1.30 (syst) GeV, respectively.

This Letter presents a new measurement of  $m_{top}$  obtained in the  $t\bar{t} \rightarrow$  dilepton decay channel using 2012 data taken at a protonproton (*pp*) centre-of-mass energy of  $\sqrt{s} = 8$  TeV, with an integrated luminosity of about 20.2 fb<sup>-1</sup>. The analysis exploits the decay  $t\bar{t} \rightarrow W^+W^-b\bar{b} \rightarrow \ell^+\ell^-\nu\bar{\nu}b\bar{b}$ , which is realised when both *W* bosons decay into a charged lepton and its corresponding neutrino. In the analysis, the  $t\bar{t}$  decay channels *ee*,  $e\mu$  and  $\mu\mu$  (including  $\tau \rightarrow e, \mu$ ) are combined and referred to as the dilepton channel. Single-top-quark events with the same lepton final states are included in the signal. Given the larger data sample compared to Ref. [14], the event selection was optimised to achieve the smallest total uncertainty. The measurement is based on the implementation of the template method described in Ref. [14], which is calibrated using signal Monte Carlo (MC) samples. Consequently, the top quark mass measured in this way corresponds to the mass definition used in the MC program.

#### 2. ATLAS detector

The ATLAS experiment [15] at the LHC is a multi-purpose particle detector with a forward–backward symmetric cylindrical geometry and a near  $4\pi$  coverage in solid angle.<sup>1</sup> It consists of an inner tracking detector surrounded by a thin superconducting solenoid providing a 2 T axial magnetic field, electromagnetic and hadron calorimeters, and a muon spectrometer. The inner tracking detector covers the pseudorapidity range  $|\eta| < 2.5$ . It consists of silicon pixel, silicon microstrip, and transition radiation tracking detectors. Lead/liquid-argon (LAr) sampling calorimeters provide electromagnetic (steel/scintillator-tile) calorimeter covers the central pseudorapidity range ( $|\eta| < 1.7$ ). The end-cap and forward regions are instrumented with LAr calorimeters for EM and hadronic energy measurements with a function energy measurements for EM and hadronic energy for the function energy for the function the function for the function terms for EM and hadronic energy for the function terms for EM and hadronic energy for the function terms for EM and hadronic energy for the function terms for EM and hadronic energy f

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> ATLAS uses a right-handed coordinate system with its origin at the nominal interaction point (IP) in the centre of the detector and the z-axis along the beam pipe. The x-axis points from the IP to the centre of the LHC ring, and the y-axis points upwards. Cylindrical coordinates  $(r, \phi)$  are used in the transverse plane,  $\phi$  being the azimuthal angle around the z-axis. The pseudorapidity is defined in terms of the polar angle  $\theta$  as  $\eta = -\ln \tan(\theta/2)$ . Angular distance is measured in units of  $\Delta R = \sqrt{(\Delta \eta)^2 + (\Delta \phi)^2}$ .

surements up to  $|\eta| = 4.9$ . The muon spectrometer surrounds the calorimeters and is based on three large air-core toroid superconducting magnets with eight coils each. Its bending power is in the range from 2.0 to 7.5 Tm. It includes a system of precision tracking chambers and fast detectors for triggering. A three-level trigger system is used to select events. The first-level trigger is implemented in hardware and uses a subset of the detector information to reduce the accepted event rate to at most 75 kHz. This is followed by two software-based trigger levels that together reduce the accepted rate to 400 Hz on average depending on the datataking conditions during 2012.

#### 3. Data and MC samples

This analysis is based on *pp* collision data recorded in 2012 at  $\sqrt{s} = 8$  TeV. The integrated data luminosity amounts to 20.2 fb<sup>-1</sup> with an uncertainty of 1.9% determined with the procedures described in Ref. [16].

The modelling of  $t\bar{t}$  and single-top-quark signal events and of most background processes relies on MC simulations. For the simulation of signal events the PowHEG-Box program [17–19] is used. The simulation of the top quark pair [20] and single-top-quark production in the Wt-channel [21] uses matrix elements at nextto-leading order (NLO) in the strong coupling constant  $\alpha_{\rm S}$ , with the NLO CT10 [22] parton distribution function (PDF) and the parameter  $h_{\rm damp} = \infty$ . The  $h_{\rm damp}$  parameter sets the resummation scale, which controls the transition from the matrix element to the parton shower (PS) simulation. Given that the event selection described below requires leptonic decay products of two W bosons, single-top-quark events in the *s*-channel and *t*-channel are found not to contribute to the sample.

The PYTHIA (v6.425) program [23] with the P2011C [24] set of tuned parameters (tune) and the corresponding CTEQ6L1 PDF [25] are employed to provide the parton shower, hadronisation and underlying-event modelling. The uncertainties due to QCD initialand final-state radiation (ISR/FSR) modelling are estimated with samples generated with the POWHEG-BOX program interfaced to the PYTHIA program for which the parameters of the generation are varied to span the ranges compatible with the results of measurements of *tī* production in association with jets [26–28].

For  $m_{top}$  hypothesis testing, the  $t\bar{t}$  and single-top-quark event samples are generated for five values of  $m_{top}$  in the range 167.5 to 177.5 GeV in steps of 2.5 GeV. For each  $m_{top}$  value, the MC samples are normalised according to the best available cross-section calculations, which for  $m_{top} = 172.5$  GeV are  $\sigma_{t\bar{t}} = 253^{+13}_{-15}$  pb [29–34] for  $t\bar{t}$  production and  $\sigma_{Wt} = 22.4 \pm 1.5$  pb [35] for single-top-quark production in the Wt-channel. The PDF +  $\alpha_{S}$ -induced uncertainties in these cross-sections are calculated using the PDF4LHC prescription [36] with the MSTW2008 68% CL NNLO PDF [37,38], CT10 NNLO PDF [22,39] and NNPDF2.3 5f FFN PDF [40], and are added in quadrature with the uncertainties due to the choices of the factorisation and renormalisation scales. The simulation of  $W^{\pm}$  or Z boson production in association

The simulation of  $W^{\pm}$  or Z boson production in association with jets is performed with the ALPGEN (v2.13) program [41] interfaced to the PYTHIA6 program using the CTEQ6L1 PDF and the corresponding AUET2 tune [42]. Diboson production processes (*WW*, *WZ* and *ZZ*) are simulated using the ALPGEN program interfaced to the HERWIG (v6.520) program [43] with the AUET2 tune and to the JIMMY (v4.31) program [44]. All samples are simulated taking into account the effects of multiple soft *pp* interactions (pile-up) registered in the 2012 data. These interactions are modelled by overlaying simulated hits from events with exactly one inelastic (signal) collision per bunch crossing with hits from minimum-bias events that are produced with the PYTHIA (v8.160) program [45] using the A2M tune [46] and the MSTW2008 LO PDF. For this analysis, the observed values of the pile-up-related quantities  $\langle \mu \rangle$ , the mean number of interactions per bunch crossing, and  $n_{vtx}$ , the average number of vertices per event, are  $\langle \mu \rangle = 20.7$  and  $n_{vtx} = 9.2$ .

Finally, the samples undergo a simulation of the ATLAS detector [47] based on GEANTA [48], and are then processed through the same reconstruction software as the data. A number of samples used to assess systematic uncertainties are produced with a faster version of the simulation which, in addition to the full simulation of the tracking, uses smearing functions and interpolates particle behaviour and calorimeter response, based on resolution functions measured in full-simulation studies, to approximate the results of the full simulation.

#### 4. Data selection and event reconstruction

Triggers based on isolated single electrons or muons with energy or momentum thresholds of 24 GeV are used. The detector objects resulting from the top quark pair decay are electron and muon candidates, jets and missing transverse momentum ( $E_T^{miss}$ ). In the following, the term lepton is used for charged leptons (excluding  $\tau$  leptons) exclusively.

Electron candidates [49] are required to have a transverse energy of  $E_{\rm T} > 25$  GeV, a pseudorapidity of the corresponding EM cluster of  $|\eta_{\rm cluster}| < 2.47$ , with the transition region 1.37 <  $|\eta_{\rm cluster}| < 1.52$  between the barrel and the end-cap calorimeter excluded. The muon candidates [50] are required to have transverse momentum  $p_{\rm T} > 25$  GeV and  $|\eta| < 2.5$ . To reduce the contamination by leptons from heavy-flavour decays inside jets or from photon conversions, referred to as non-prompt (NP) leptons, strict isolation criteria are applied to the amount of activity in the vicinity of the lepton candidate [49,50].

Jets are built from topological clusters of calorimeter cells [51] with the anti- $k_t$  jet clustering algorithm [52] using a radius parameter of R = 0.4. Jets are reconstructed using the local cluster weighting (LCW) and global sequential calibration (GSC) algorithms [53–55] and required to satisfy  $p_T > 25$  GeV and  $|\eta| < 2.5$ . Muons reconstructed within a  $\Delta R = 0.4$  cone around the axis of a jet with  $p_T > 25$  GeV are not considered as charged-lepton candidates. In addition, jets within a  $\Delta R = 0.2$  cone around an electron candidate are removed and finally electrons within a  $\Delta R = 0.4$ cone around any of the remaining jets are discarded. The identification of jets containing b-hadrons, b-tagging, is used for event reconstruction and background suppression. In the following, irrespective of their origin, jets tagged by the b-tagging algorithm are referred to as b-tagged jets, whereas those not tagged are referred to as untagged jets. Similarly, whether they are tagged or not, jets originating from bottom quarks are referred to as *b*-jets and those from (u, d, c, s)-quarks or gluons as light jets. The working point of the neural-network-based MV1 b-tagging algorithm [56] corresponds to an average b-tagging efficiency of 70% for *b*-jets in simulated  $t\bar{t}$  events and rejection factors of 5 for jets containing a c-hadron and 137 for jets containing only lighterflavour hadrons. To match the b-tagging performance in the data, having hardinate in the bragging periodian formatic in the data,  $p_{T^-}$  and  $\eta$ -dependent scale factors [56], obtained from dijet and  $t\bar{t} \rightarrow$  dilepton events, are applied to MC jets depending on their true flavour. The reconstruction of the  $E_T^{miss}$  is based on the vec-tor sum of energy deposits in the calorimeters, projected onto the transverse plane. Muons are included in the  $E_T^{miss}$  using their reconstructed momentum in the tracking detectors [57].

The contribution of events wrongly reconstructed as  $t\bar{t} \rightarrow$  dilepton events due to the presence of objects misidentified as leptons (fake leptons), is estimated from data [58]. The technique employed uses fake-lepton and real-lepton efficiencies that depend on  $\eta$  and  $p_{T}$ , measured in a background-enhanced control region

#### Table 1

The observed numbers of events in data after the pre-selection and the final selection. In addition, the expected numbers of signal events for  $m_{top} = 172$ . 5 GeV and background events corresponding to the integrated data luminosity are given. Two significant digits are used for the uncertainties of the predicted numbers of events explained in the text. The lower rows report the matching performance evaluated for  $m_{top} = 172.5$  GeV, using one significant digit for the statistical uncertainties.

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Selection	Pre-selection	Final selection
Data	36 359	9426
tī signal	$34300\pm 2700$	$9670\pm770$
Single-top-quark signal	$1690 \pm 110$	$363 \pm 23$
Fake leptons	$240 \pm 240$	$31 \pm 31$
Z + jets	$212 \pm 83$	$20.6 \pm 8.5$
WW/WZ/ZZ	$57 \pm 21$	$10.2 \pm 3.8$
Signal + background	$36600\pm 2800$	$10100\pm770$
Expected background fraction	$0.01\pm0.01$	$0.01\pm0.00$
Data/(Signal + background)	$0.99\pm0.07$	$0.93\pm0.07$
Matching efficiency [%]	$78.4 \pm 0.2$	$95.3\pm0.4$
Selection purity [%]	$51.6 \pm 0.1$	$69.8 \pm 0.3$
Unmatched events [%]	$34.2 \pm 0.1$	$26.7 \pm 0.1$
Wrongly matched events [%]	$14.2 \pm 0.1$	$3.4 \pm 0.0$

with low  $E_{\rm T}^{\rm miss}$  and from events with dilepton masses around the Z peak [59].

The selection from Ref. [14] is applied as a pre-selection as follows:

- 1. Events are required to have a signal from the single-electron or single-muon trigger and at least one primary vertex with at least five associated tracks.
- Exactly two oppositely charged leptons are required, with at least one of them matching the reconstructed object that fired the corresponding trigger.
- 3. In the same-lepton-flavour channels, *ee* and  $\mu\mu$ ,  $E_{\rm T}^{\rm miss} > 60$  GeV is required. In addition, the invariant mass of the lepton pair must satisfy  $m_{\ell\ell} > 15$  GeV, and must not be compatible with the Z mass within 10 GeV.
- 4. In the  $e\mu$  channel the scalar sum of  $p_T$  of the two selected leptons and all jets is required to be larger than 130 GeV.
- 5. The presence of at least two jets with  $p_{\rm T}$  > 25 GeV and  $|\eta|$  < 2.5 is required, and at least one of these jets has to be *b*-tagged.

The observed numbers of events in the data after this preselection, together with the expected numbers of signal and background events corresponding to the integrated data luminosity, are given in Table 1. Assuming a top quark mass of  $m_{top} = 172.5$  GeV, the predicted number of events is consistent with the one observed in the data within uncertainties. For all predictions, the uncertainties are estimated as the sum in quadrature of the statistical uncertainty, a 1.9% uncertainty in the integrated luminosity. and a number of additional components. For the signal, these are a 5.4% uncertainty in the  $t\bar{t}$  cross-section, or a 6.0% uncertainty in the single-top-quark cross-section, as given in Sect. 3. Finally, global 4.1%, 2.2% and 2.8% uncertainties are added, corresponding to the envelopes of the results from the eigenvector variations of the jet energy scale (JES), the relative b-to-light-jet energy scale (bJES) and the b-tagging scale factors, respectively. The background uncertainties contain jet-multiplicity-dependent uncertainties of about 40% in the normalisation of the Z + jets background and a 100% uncertainty in the normalisation of fakelepton background.

The two jets carrying the highest MV1 weight are taken as the two b-jets originating from the decays of the two top quarks, and the two leptons are taken as the leptons from the leptonic W de-

cays. From the two possible assignments of the two pairs, the combination leading to the lowest average invariant mass of the two lepton-b-jet pairs  $(m_{\ell b})$  is retained. To estimate the performance of this algorithm in MC simulated samples, the reconstruction-level objects are matched to the closest generator-level object based on a maximum allowed  $\Delta R$ , being 0.1 for leptons and 0.3 for jets. A matched object is defined as a reconstruction-level object that falls within  $\Delta R$  of any generator-level object of that type, and a correct match means that this generator-level object is the one it originated from. Due to acceptance losses and reconstruction inefficiency, not all reconstruction-level objects can successfully be matched to their generator-level counterparts, resulting in unmatched events. The matching efficiency is the fraction of correctly matched events among all the matched events, and the selection purity is the fraction of correctly matched events among all events, regardless of whether they could be matched or not. The corresponding numbers for  $m_{top} = 172.5$  GeV are reported in Table 1

Starting from this pre-selection, an optimisation of the total uncertainty in  $m_{top}$  is performed. A phase-space restriction based on the average  $p_T$  of the two lepton-*b*-jet pairs  $(p_{T,\ell b})$  is used to obtain the smallest total uncertainty in  $m_{top}$ . The corresponding  $p_{T,\ell b}$  distribution is shown in Fig. 1(a). The smallest uncertainty in  $m_{top}$  corresponds to  $p_{T,\ell b} > 120$  GeV. The difference in shape between data and prediction is covered by the systematic uncertainty as detailed in Sect. 6. This restriction is found to also increase the fraction of correctly matched events in the  $t\bar{t}$  sample, and reduces the number of unmatched or wrongly matched events.

To perform the template parameterisation described in Sect. 5, an additional selection criterion is applied, restricting the reconstructed  $m_{\ell b}$  value ( $m_{\ell b}^{\rm reco}$ ) to the range 30 GeV <  $m_{\ell b}^{\rm reco}$  < 170 GeV. Applying both restrictions, the numbers of predicted and observed events resulting from the final selection are reported in Table 1. Using this optimisation, the matching efficiency and the sample purity are much improved as reported in the bottom rows of Table 1, while retaining about 26% of the events. Using this selection, and the objects assigned to the two lepton-*b*-jet pairs, the kinematic distributions in the data are well described by the predictions, as shown in Fig. 1 for the transverse momenta of *b*-jets and leptons, and for the  $\Delta R_{\ell b}$  of the two lepton-*b*-jet pairs.

#### 5. Template fit and results in the data

The implementation of the template method used in this analysis is described in Ref. [14]. For this analysis, the templates are simulated distributions of  $m_{\ell b}^{reco}$ , constructed for a number of discrete values of  $m_{top}$ . Appropriate functions are fitted to these templates, interpolating between different input  $m_{top}$ . The remaining parameters of the functions are fixed by a simultaneous fit to all templates, imposing linear dependences of the parameters on  $m_{top}$ . The resulting template fit function has  $m_{top}$  as the only free parameter and an unbinned likelihood maximisation gives the value of  $m_{top}$  that best describes the data. Statistically independent signal templates, comprising  $t\bar{t}$  and single-top-quark events, are constructed as a function of the top quark mass used in the MC generator. Within the statistical uncertainties, the sum of a Gaussian distribution and a Landau function gives a good description of the shape of the  $m_{\ell b}^{\text{reco}}$  distribution as shown in Fig. 2(a) for three values of  $m_{top}$ . With this signal choice, the background distribution is independent of  $m_{\rm top}$ , and a Landau function is fitted to it. The sum of the signal template at  $m_{top} = 172.5$  GeV and the background is compared to data in Fig. 2(b). It gives a good description of the data except for differences that can be accounted for by a different



**Fig. 1.** Kinematic distributions obtained from the objects assigned to the two lepton–*b*-jet pairs for (a) the pre-selection, or (b)–(d) the final selection. The average  $p_T$  of the two lepton–*b*-jet pairs, denoted by  $p_{T,t,b}$ , is shown in (a). The  $p_{T,t,b}$  requirement for the final selection is indicated by the vertical dashed line. The remaining distributions show the  $p_T$  of the *b*-jets in (b), the  $p_T$  of the leptons in (c), and the  $\Delta R_{cb}$  of the lepton and the *b*-jet for the two lepton–*b*-jet pairs in (d). The rightmost bin contains the overflow, if present. For all distributions, the number of predicted events is normalised to the one observed in the data. The hatched area corresponds to the statistical uncertainties in the prediction, the uncertainty bars to the statistical uncertainties in the data. For each figure, the ratio of data and prediction is also presented.

top quark mass. In this distribution, the correctly matched events are concentrated in the central part, whereas the remainder is less peaked and accounts for most of the tails.

In this analysis the expected statistical precision as well as all systematic uncertainties are obtained from pseudo-experiments generated from MC simulated samples mimicking ATLAS data. To verify the internal consistency of the method, 1000 pseudoexperiments per mass point are performed, correcting for oversampling [60]. Within uncertainties, and for all  $m_{top}$  values, the residuals and pull means are consistent with zero and the pull widths are consistent with unity, i.e. the estimator is unbiased and uncertainties are calculated properly. The expected statistical uncertainty is obtained from the distribution of the statistical uncertainty in the fitted  $m_{top}$  of the pseudo-experiments. For  $m_{top} = 172.5$  GeV and the data luminosity it amounts to  $0.41 \pm 0.03$  GeV, where the quoted precision is statistical. The  $m_{tb}^{reco}$  distribution in the data is shown in Fig. 2(c) together with the corresponding fitted probability density functions for the background alone and for the sum of signal and background. The value obtained fixing the background contribution to its prediction is  $m_{top} = 172.99 \pm 0.41$  (stat) GeV. The statistical uncertainty in  $m_{top}$  is taken from the parabolic approximation of the logarithm of the likelihood as shown in Fig. 2(d). The observed and predicted values of the statistical uncertainty agree.

#### 6. Uncertainties affecting the $m_{top}$ determination

The same systematic uncertainty sources as in Ref. [14] are investigated. Their impact on the analysis is mostly evaluated from pairs of samples expressing a particular systematic uncertainty, by constructing the corresponding templates and measuring the average difference in  $m_{top}$  of the pair from 1000 pseudo-experiments. To facilitate a combination with other results, every systematic uncertainty is assigned a statistical uncertainty, taking into account the statistical correlation of the considered samples. Following Ref. [61], the resulting uncertainty components are given in Table 2 irrespective of their statistical significance. The uncertainty sources are constructed so as to be uncorrelated with each another and thus the total uncertainty squared is calculated as the sum in quadrature of all components. The various sources of systematic uncertainties and the evaluation of their effect on  $m_{top}$  are briefly described in the following. The values are given in Table 2.

**Method:** The mean value of the differences between the fitted and generated  $m_{top}$  for the MC samples at various input top quark masses is assigned as the method calibration uncertainty. This also covers effects from limited numbers of MC simulated events in the templates.



**Fig. 2.** Simulated signal templates (histograms) for different values of  $m_{top}$  together with the template fits (curves) are given in (a). The  $m_{tb}^{reco}$  distribution observed in data in comparison to the prediction is shown in (b). Both figures show statistical uncertainties only. In (b) the background contributions are too small to be distinguished. The  $m_{tb}^{reco}$  distribution is shown in (c) for data with statistical uncertainties together with the fitted probability density functions for the background alone (barely visible at the bottom of the figure) and for the sum of signal and background. The uncertainty band corresponds to the total uncertainty in  $m_{top}$ . Finally, the corresponding logarithm of the likelihood as a function of  $m_{top}$  is displayed in (d).

**Signal Monte Carlo generator:** The difference in  $m_{top}$  between the event sample produced with the MC@NLO program [62,63] and the default POWHEG sample, both generated at  $m_{top} = 172.5$  GeV and using the HERWIG program for parton shower, hadronisation and underlying event, is quoted as a systematic uncertainty.

**Hadronisation:** The difference in  $m_{top}$  between samples produced with the POWHEG-BOX program and showered with either the PYTHIA6 program using the P2011C tune or the HERWIG and JIMMY programs using the ATLAS AUET2 tune [42] is quoted as a systematic uncertainty. This includes different approaches in parton-shower modelling and hadronisation, namely the Lund string model [64,65] and the cluster model [66]. The difference in shape between data and prediction observed for the  $p_{T,\ell b}$  distribution shown in Fig. 1(a) is much reduced when using the POWHEG+HERWIG sample and therefore covered by this uncertainty. As a check to assess the maximum possible difference in  $m_{\rm top}$ caused by the mismodelling of the  $p_{\mathrm{T},\ell b}$  distribution, the predicted distribution is reweighted to the data distribution and the fit is repeated. The observed difference in  $m_{\rm top}$  from the nominal sample is about 0.2 GeV, well below the statistical uncertainty in the data. Consequently, no additional uncertainty is applied. Finally, the calibration of the JES and bJES, discussed below, is also partially based on a comparison of jet energy responses in event samples produced with the Herwig++ [67] and PythiA6 programs. However, it

was verified [68] that the amount of double-counting of JES and hadronisation effects for the  $t\bar{t} \rightarrow$  lepton + jets channel is small. Initial- and final-state QCD radiation (ISR/FSR): The uncertainty due to this effect is evaluated by comparing two dedicated samples generated with the PowHEG-Box and PYTHIA6 programs that differ in several parameters, namely: the QCD scale  $\Lambda_{QCD}$ , the transverse momentum scale for space-like parton-shower evolution  $Q_{\text{max}}^2$  and the  $h_{damp}$  parameter [69]. Half the observed difference between the up variation and the down variation is quoted as a systematic uncertainty. For comparison, using the signal samples generated at  $m_{\rm top} = 172.5$  GeV, and only changing the  $h_{\rm damp}$  parameter but using a much larger range, i.e. from  $\infty$  to  $m_{\mathrm{top}}$ , the measured  $m_{\mathrm{top}}$  is lowered by  $0.23 \pm 0.13$  GeV, where the uncertainty is statistical. Underlying event (UE): The difference in UE modelling is assessed by comparing POWHEG samples based on the same partonic events generated with the CT10 PDFs. The difference in  $m_{top}$  for a sample with the Perugia 2012 tune (P2012) and a sample with the P2012 mpiHi tune [24] is assigned as a systematic uncertainty.

**Colour reconnection (CR):** This systematic uncertainty is estimated using samples with the same partonic events as for the UE uncertainty evaluation, but with the P2012 tune and the P2012 loCR tune [24] for PS and hadronisation. The difference in  $m_{top}$  is quoted as a systematic uncertainty.

Parton distribution function (PDF): The PDF systematic uncertainty is the sum in quadrature of three contributions. These are:

**Table 2** The three measured values of  $m_{top}$  together with their statistical and systematic uncertainty components are shown on the left. The middle part reports the estimated correlations  $\rho_{ij}$  per pair of measurements, with 0, 1 and 2 denoting the  $(\frac{1}{2} + j)$ ts and dilepton measurements at  $\sqrt{5} = 7$  TeV (from Ref. [14]) and the dilepton measurement at  $\sqrt{5} = 8$  TeV, respectively. Finally, the right part lists the  $m_{top}$  results for the combinations of the two measurements at  $\sqrt{5} = 7$  TeV, the two measurements in the dilepton channel and all measurements. For the individual measurements, the systematic uncertainty in  $m_{top}$  and its associated statistical uncertainty is given for each source of uncertainty. Assigned correlations are given as integer values, determined correlations. The last line refers to the sum in quadrature of the statistical and systematic uncertainty components or the total correlations, respectively.

	$\sqrt{s} = 7 \text{ TeV}$		$\sqrt{s} = 8 \text{ TeV}$	Correlations		Combinations			
	$m_{top}^{\ell+jets}$ [GeV]	m <sup>dil</sup> <sub>top</sub> [GeV]	m <sup>dil</sup> <sub>top</sub> [GeV]	$\rho_{01}$	$\rho_{02}$	ρ12	m <sup>7 TeV</sup> [GeV]	m <sup>dil</sup> <sub>top</sub> [GeV]	m <sup>all</sup> <sub>top</sub> [GeV
Results	172.33	173.79	172.99				172.99	173.04	172.84
Statistics	0.75	0.54	0.41	0	0	0	0.48	0.38	0.34
Method	$0.11 \pm 0.10$	$0.09 \pm 0.07$	$0.05 \pm 0.07$	0	0	0	0.07	0.05	0.05
Signal Monte Carlo generator	$0.22 \pm 0.21$	$0.26 \pm 0.16$	$0.09 \pm 0.15$	+1.00	+1.00	+1.00	0.24	0.10	0.14
Hadronisation	$0.18 \pm 0.12$	$0.53 \pm 0.09$	$0.22 \pm 0.09$	+1.00	+1.00	+1.00	0.34	0.24	0.23
Initial- and final-state QCD radiation	$0.32 \pm 0.06$	$0.47 \pm 0.05$	$0.23 \pm 0.07$	-1.00	-1.00	+1.00	0.04	0.24	0.08
Underlying event	$0.15 \pm 0.07$	$0.05 \pm 0.05$	$0.10 \pm 0.14$	-1.00	-1.00	+1.00	0.06	0.10	0.02
Colour reconnection	$0.11 \pm 0.07$	$0.14 \pm 0.05$	$0.03 \pm 0.14$	-1.00	-1.00	+1.00	0.01	0.03	0.01
Parton distribution function	$0.25 \pm 0.00$	$0.11 \pm 0.00$	$0.05 \pm 0.00$	+0.57	-0.29	+0.03	0.17	0.04	0.08
Background normalisation	$0.10 \pm 0.00$	$0.04 \pm 0.00$	$0.03 \pm 0.00$	+1.00	+0.23	+0.23	0.07	0.03	0.04
W/Z + jets shape	$0.29 \pm 0.00$	$0.00 \pm 0.00$	0	0			0.16	0.00	0.09
Fake leptons shape	$0.05 \pm 0.00$	$0.01 \pm 0.00$	$0.08 \pm 0.00$	+0.23	+0.20	-0.08	0.03	0.07	0.05
Jet energy scale	$0.58 \pm 0.11$	$0.75 \pm 0.08$	$0.54 \pm 0.04$	-0.23	+0.06	+0.35	0.41	0.52	0.41
Relative b-to-light-jet energy scale	$0.06 \pm 0.03$	$0.68 \pm 0.02$	$0.30 \pm 0.01$	+1.00	+1.00	+1.00	0.34	0.32	0.25
Jet energy resolution	$0.22 \pm 0.11$	$0.19 \pm 0.04$	$0.09 \pm 0.05$	-1.00	0	0	0.03	0.08	0.08
Jet reconstruction efficiency	$0.12 \pm 0.00$	$0.07 \pm 0.00$	$0.01 \pm 0.00$	+1.00	+1.00	+1.00	0.10	0.01	0.04
Jet vertex fraction	$0.01 \pm 0.00$	$0.00 \pm 0.00$	$0.02 \pm 0.00$	-1.00	+1.00	-1.00	0.00	0.02	0.02
b-tagging	$0.50 \pm 0.00$	$0.07 \pm 0.00$	$0.03 \pm 0.02$	-0.77	0	0	0.25	0.03	0.15
Leptons	$0.04 \pm 0.00$	$0.13 \pm 0.00$	$0.14 \pm 0.01$	-0.34	-0.52	+0.96	0.05	0.14	0.09
ET	$0.15 \pm 0.04$	$0.04 \pm 0.03$	$0.01 \pm 0.01$	-0.15	+0.25	-0.24	0.08	0.01	0.05
Pile-up	$0.02 \pm 0.01$	$0.01 \pm 0.00$	$0.05 \pm 0.01$	0	0	0	0.01	0.05	0.03
Total systematic uncertainty	$1.03 \pm 0.31$	$1.31 \pm 0.23$	$0.74\pm0.29$				0.77	0.74	0.61
Total	$1.27 \pm 0.33$	$1.41 \pm 0.24$	$0.84 \pm 0.29$	-0.07	0.00	0.51	0.91	0.84	0.70
the sum in quadrature of the differences in  $m_{top}$  for the 26 eigenvector variations of the CTEQ PDF [25] and two differences in  $m_{top}$  obtained from reweighting the central CT10 PDF set to the MSTW2008 PDF [37] and the NNPDF23 PDF [40].

**Background normalisation:** The normalisations are varied simultaneously for the MC-based and the data-driven background estimates according to the above mentioned uncertainties.

**Background shapes:** Given the negligible uncertainty in the dilepton channel observed in Ref. [14], no shape uncertainty is evaluated for the MC-based background. For the data-driven background the shape uncertainty is obtained from the estimate of fake-lepton events using the matrix method [58].

Jet energy scale (JES): Mean jet energies are measured with a relative precision of about 1% to 4%, typically falling with jet  $p_{\rm T}$  and rising with jet  $|\eta|$  [70,71]. The large number of subcomponents of the total JES uncertainty are reduced by a matrix diagonalisation of the full JES covariance matrix. For each of the resulting 25 significant nuisance parameters [54] the corresponding uncertainty in  $m_{top}$  is calculated. The total JES-induced uncertainty in  $m_{top}$  is obtained by the sum in quadrature of the results for the subcomponents.

**Relative** *b***-to-light-jet energy scale (bJES):** The bJES is an additional uncertainty for the remaining differences between *b*-jets and light jets after the global JES is applied and therefore the corresponding uncertainty is uncorrelated with the JES uncertainty. Jets containing *b*-hadrons are assigned an additional uncertainty of 0.2% to 1.2%, with lowest uncertainties for high- $p_T$  *b*-jets [54].

**Jet energy resolution (JER):** The JER uncertainty is determined by the sum in quadrature of the  $m_{top}$  differences between the varied samples and the nominal sample or, where applicable, half the fitted difference between the up variation and the down variation of the components of the eigenvector decomposition.

**Jet reconstruction efficiency (JRE):** The JRE uncertainty is evaluated by randomly removing 2% of the jets with  $p_T < 30$  GeV from the MC simulated events prior to the event selection to reflect the precision with which the data-to-MC JRE ratio is known [53]. The  $m_{top}$  difference with respect to the nominal sample is taken as a systematic uncertainty.

**Jet vertex fraction (JVF):** When summing the scalar  $p_T$  of all tracks in a jet, the JVF is the fraction contributed by tracks originating at the primary vertex. The uncertainty is evaluated by varying the requirement on the JVF within its uncertainty [72].

**b-tagging**: Mismodelling of the *b*-tagging efficiency and mistag rate is accounted for by the application of scale factors which depend on jet  $p_{\rm T}$  and jet  $\eta$  to MC simulated events [56]. The eigenvector decomposition [56,73] accounts for the uncertainties in the *b*-tagging uncertainty is the sum in quadrature of these uncorrelated components.

**Lepton uncertainties:** The lepton uncertainties measured in  $J/\psi \rightarrow \ell\ell$  and  $Z \rightarrow \ell\ell$  events are related to the electron energy or muon momentum scales and resolutions, and the trigger and identification efficiencies [49,50,74]. For each component, the corresponding uncertainty is propagated to the analysis including the recalculation of the  $E_{\rm m}^{\rm miss}$ .

**Missing transverse momentum** ( $E_T^{miss}$ ): The remaining contribution to the  $E_T^{miss}$  uncertainty stems from the uncertainties in calorimeter cell energies associated with low- $p_T$  jets (7 GeV <  $p_T < 20$  GeV), without any corresponding reconstructed physics object or from pile-up interactions. Their impact is accounted for as described in Ref. [57].

**Pile-up:** Besides the component treated in the JES, the residual dependence of the fitted  $m_{top}$  on the amount of pile-up activity and a possible MC mismodelling is determined. The  $m_{top}$  dependence as functions of  $n_{VIX}$  and  $\langle \mu \rangle$  is found to be consistent in data and

simulation. The corresponding uncertainty evaluated from the remaining difference is small.

The systematic uncertainties quoted in Table 2 carry statistical uncertainties. The statistical precision of a single sample fit is about 100 MeV. The statistical correlation of the samples is calculated from the fraction of shared events. Pairs of samples with only a change in a single parameter have high correlation and correspondingly low statistical uncertainty in the difference in  $m_{top}$ , while a pair of statistically independent samples results in a larger uncertainty.

In summary, the result in the dilepton channel at  $\sqrt{s} = 8$  TeV of  $m_{top} = 172.99 \pm 0.41$  (stat)  $\pm 0.74$  (syst) GeV is about 40% more precise than the one obtained from the  $\sqrt{s} = 7$  TeV data and the most precise single result in this decay channel to date. The increased precision is partly driven by a better knowledge of the JES and bJES. In addition, the applied optimisation procedure significantly reduces the total systematic uncertainty, mostly due to a lower impact of the JES and theory modelling uncertainties.

#### 7. Combination with previous ATLAS measurements

The combination of the  $m_{top}$  results follows the approach developed for the combination of the  $\sqrt{s} = 7$  TeV measurements in Ref. [14] including the evaluation of the correlations. For combining the measurements from data at different centre-of-mass energies a mapping of uncertainty categories is performed. Complex cases are the uncertainty components involving eigenvector decompositions such as the JES, the JER and the b-tagging scale factor uncertainties. The  $\sqrt{s} = 7$  and 8 TeV measurements are treated as uncorrelated for the nuisance parameters of the IER and the *b*-tagging,  $c/\tau$ -tagging and mistagging uncertainties. A correlated treatment of the estimators for the flavour-tagging nuisance parameters results in an insignificant change in the combination. The total JES uncertainty consists of about 20 eigenvector components, which partly differ for the analyses of  $\sqrt{s} = 7$  and 8 TeV data, which make use of the EM+IES and the LCW+GSC [70] iet calibrations, respectively. For the combination, a mapping between uncertainty components at the different centre-of-mass energies is employed to identify the corresponding ones. The combination was found to be stable against variations of the assumptions for ambiguous cases.

The combination is performed using the best linear unbiased estimate (BLUE) method [75,76], implying Gaussian probability density functions for all uncertainties, using the implementation described in Ref. [77]. The central values, the list of uncertainty components and the correlations  $\rho$  of the estimators for each uncertainty component have to be provided. For the statistical, method calibration, MC-based background shape at  $\sqrt{s} = 7$  TeV, and pile-up uncertainties in  $m_{\rm top}$  the measurements are assumed to be uncorrelated. For the remaining uncertainties in  $m_{\rm top}$ , when using  $\pm 1\sigma$  variations of a systematic effect, e.g. when changing the bJES by  $\pm 1\sigma$ , there are two possibilities. When simultaneously applying a variation for a systematic uncertainty, e.g.  $+1\sigma$ for the bJES to a pair of analyses, e.g. the dilepton measurements at  $\sqrt{s} = 7$  and 8 TeV, both analyses can result in a larger or smaller  $m_{top}$  value than what is obtained for the nominal case (full correlation,  $\rho = +1$ ), or one analysis can obtain a larger and the other a smaller value (full anti-correlation,  $\rho = -1$ ). Consequently, an uncertainty from a source only consisting of a single variation, such as the uncertainty related to the choice of MC generator for signal events, results in a correlation of  $\rho = \pm 1$ . The estimator correlations for composite uncertainties are evaluated by adding the covariance terms of the subcomponents *i* with  $\rho_i = \pm 1$  and dividing by the total uncertainties for that source. The resulting estimator



Fig. 3. The pairwise differences in  $m_{top}$  when simultaneously varying both analyses for a systematic uncertainty. Each cross indicates the statistical precisions of the systematic uncertainty. The red full points indicate  $\rho = 1$ , the blue open points  $\rho = -1$ .

correlation per uncertainty is quoted in Table 2 and used in the combination.

The evaluated uncertainties in  $m_{top}$  for the uncertainty components for the two dilepton analyses, denoted by  $\Delta m_{\mathrm{top}}^{\mathrm{dil}}$ , are shown in Fig. 3(a). Each point represents a systematic uncertainty together with a cross, indicating the respective statistical precision of the systematic uncertainty in the two analyses. The red full points indicate  $\rho = 1$ , the blue open points  $\rho = -1$ . Given the similarity of the analyses, a positive estimator correlation is observed for most uncertainty components of the two measurements in the dilepton channel. The corresponding distribution for the  $\ell$  + jets measurement at  $\sqrt{s} = 7$  TeV and the dilepton measurement at  $\sqrt{s} = 8$  TeV is given in Fig. 3(b). In this figure, the estimates are anti-correlated for several significant uncertainties. This is caused by the in-situ measurement of the jet energy scale factor (ISF) and relative *b*-tolight-jet energy scale factor (bJSF) in the three-dimensional  $\ell$  + jets analysis, detailed in Ref. [14]. The resulting total correlation for this pair is very low as shown in Table 2. The combination strongly profits from this.

The central values of the three measurements, their uncertainty components, the determined correlations per pair of measurements and the results of the combinations are given in Table 2. The pairwise differences in the three measurements are  $0.75\sigma$  for the  $\sqrt{s} = 7$  TeV measurements, 0.43 $\sigma$  for the  $\ell$  + jets measurement at  $\sqrt{s} = 7$  TeV and the dilepton measurement at  $\sqrt{s} = 8$  TeV and  $0.66\sigma$  for the two dilepton measurements. For all three cases  $\sigma$  denotes the one standard deviation of the respective  $m_{\rm top}$  difference. The combined result in the dilepton channel alone is  $m_{ton}^{dil}$  $173.04 \pm 0.38$  (stat)  $\pm 0.74$  (syst) GeV =  $173.04 \pm 0.84$  GeV, providing no significant improvement with respect to the more precise result at  $\sqrt{s} = 8$  TeV which carries a BLUE combination weight of 0.94. This is a mere consequence of the measurement correlation of 0.51, which is close to the ratio of uncertainties (see Ref. [76]). The  $\chi^2$  probability of the combination is 51%. The stability of the combination is assessed from the results of 1000 combinations for which all input uncertainties are varied within their statistical uncertainties, which for some cases also result in different correlations (see Fig. 3). The corresponding distributions of the central values and uncertainties of the combinations are approximately Gaussian, with a width of 0.03 GeV and of 0.04 GeV, respectively.

The combination of all three measurements provides a 17% improvement with respect to the most precise single input measurement. The combined result is  $m_{top}^{all} = 172.84 \pm 0.34$  (stat)  $\pm$ 

0.61 (syst) GeV = 172.84 ± 0.70 GeV. The  $\chi^2$  probability of the combination is 73% and the BLUE combination weights of the  $\ell$ +jets and dilepton measurements at  $\sqrt{s} = 7$  TeV and the dilepton measurement at  $\sqrt{s} = 8$  TeV are 0.30, 0.07 and 0.63, respectively. Again, the central value and the combined total uncertainty are both stable at the level of 0.03 GeV.

# 8. Conclusion

The top quark mass is measured in the  $t\bar{t} \rightarrow$  dilepton channel from about 20.2 fb<sup>-1</sup> of  $\sqrt{s} = 8$  TeV proton-proton collision data recorded by the ATLAS detector at the LHC. Compared to the latest ATLAS measurement in this decay channel, the event selection is refined exploiting the average  $p_{\rm T}$  of the lepton-*b*-jet pairs to enhance the fraction of correctly reconstructed events, thereby reducing the systematic uncertainties. Using the optimal point in terms of total uncertainty observed in a phase-space scan of this variable as an additional event selection criterion, the measured value of  $m_{\rm top}$  is

#### $m_{\rm top} = 172.99 \pm 0.41 \, ({\rm stat}) \pm 0.74 \, ({\rm syst}) \, {\rm GeV},$

with a total uncertainty of 0.84 GeV. The precision is mainly limited by systematic uncertainties, mostly by the calibration of the jet energy scale, and to a lesser extent by the calibration of the relative *b*-to-light-jet energy scale and by the Monte Carlo modelling of signal events.

This measurement is combined with the ATLAS measurements in the  $t\bar{t} \rightarrow$  lepton + jets and  $t\bar{t} \rightarrow$  dilepton decay channels from  $\sqrt{s} = 7$  TeV data. The correlations of the measurements are evaluated for all sources of the systematic uncertainty. Using a dedicated mapping of uncertainty categories, the combination of the three measurements results in

#### $m_{\rm top} = 172.84 \pm 0.34 \,({\rm stat}) \pm 0.61 \,({\rm syst}) \,{\rm GeV},$

with a total uncertainty of 0.70 GeV, i.e. a relative precision of 0.4%. The result is mostly limited by the calibration of the jet energy scales and by the Monte Carlo modelling of signal events.

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# Luminosity determination in *pp* collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 8$ TeV using the ATLAS detector at the LHC

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**Abstract** The luminosity determination for the ATLAS detector at the LHC during pp collisions at  $\sqrt{s} = 8$  TeV in 2012 is presented. The evaluation of the luminosity scale is performed using several luminometers, and comparisons between these luminosity detectors are made to assess the accuracy, consistency and long-term stability of the results. A luminosity uncertainty of  $\delta \mathcal{L}/\mathcal{L} = \pm 1.9\%$  is obtained for the 22.7 fb<sup>-1</sup> of pp collision data delivered to ATLAS at  $\sqrt{s} = 8$  TeV in 2012.

## 1 Introduction

An accurate measurement of the delivered luminosity is a key component of the ATLAS [1] physics programme. For cross-section measurements, the uncertainty in the delivered luminosity is often one of the major systematic uncertainties. Searches for, and eventual discoveries of, physical phenomena beyond the Standard Model also rely on accurate information about the delivered luminosity to evaluate background levels and determine sensitivity to the signatures of new phenomena.

This paper describes the measurement of the luminosity delivered to the ATLAS detector at the LHC in pp collisions at a centre-of-mass energy of  $\sqrt{s} = 8$  TeV during 2012. It is structured as follows. The strategy for measuring and calibrating the luminosity is outlined in Sect. 2, followed in Sect. 3 by a brief description of the detectors and algorithms used for luminosity determination. The absolute calibration of these algorithms by the van der Meer (vdM) method [2], which must be carried out under specially tailored beam conditions, is described in Sect. 4; the associated systematic uncertainties are detailed in Sect. 5. The comparison of the relative response of several independent luminometers during physics running reveals that significant time- and ratedependent effects impacted the performance of the ATLAS bunch-by-bunch luminometers during the 2012 run (Sect. 6). Therefore this absolute vdM calibration cannot be invoked as

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is. Instead, it must be transferred, at one point in time and using an independent relative-luminosity monitor, from the low-luminosity regime of vdM scans to the high-luminosity conditions typical of routine physics running. Additional corrections must be applied over the course of the 2012 datataking period to compensate for detector aging (Sect. 7). The various contributions to the systematic uncertainty affecting the integrated luminosity delivered to ATLAS in 2012 are recapitulated in Sect. 8, and the final results are summarized in Sect. 9.

## 2 Luminosity-determination methodology

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The analysis presented in this paper closely parallels, and where necessary expands, the one used to determine the luminosity in pp collisions at  $\sqrt{s} = 7$  TeV [3].

The bunch luminosity  $\mathcal{L}_b$  produced by a single pair of colliding bunches can be expressed as

$$\mathcal{L}_{\rm b} = \frac{\mu f_{\rm r}}{\sigma_{\rm inel}},\tag{1}$$

where the pile-up parameter  $\mu$  is the average number of inelastic interactions per bunch crossing,  $f_r$  is the bunch revolution frequency, and  $\sigma_{inel}$  is the *pp* inelastic cross-section. The total instantaneous luminosity is given by

$$\mathcal{L} = \sum_{\mathrm{b}\,=\,1}^{n_{\mathrm{b}}} \mathcal{L}_{\mathrm{b}} = n_{\mathrm{b}} \left\langle \mathcal{L}_{\mathrm{b}} \right\rangle = n_{\mathrm{b}} \frac{\left\langle \mu \right\rangle f_{\mathrm{r}}}{\sigma_{\mathrm{inel}}} \,.$$

Here the sum runs over the  $n_b$  bunch pairs colliding at the interaction point (IP),  $\langle \mathcal{L}_b \rangle$  is the mean bunch luminosity and  $\langle \mu \rangle$  is the bunch-averaged pile-up parameter. Table 1 highlights the operational conditions of the LHC during Run 1 from 2010 to 2012. Compared to previous years, operating conditions did not vary significantly during 2012, with typically 1368 bunches colliding and a peak instantaneous luminosity delivered by the LHC at the start of a fill of

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**Table 1** Selected LHC parameters for *pp* collisions at  $\sqrt{s} = 7$  TeV in 2010 and 2011, and at  $\sqrt{s} = 8$  TeV in 2012. Values shown are representative of the best accelerator performance during normal physics operation

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Parameter	2010	2011	2012
Number of bunch pairs colliding $(n_b)$	348	1331	1380
Bunch spacing (ns)	150	50	50
Typical bunch population (10 <sup>11</sup> protons)	0.9	1.2	1.7
Peak luminosity $\mathcal{L}_{peak} (10^{33} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1})$	0.2	3.6	7.7
Peak number of inelastic interactions per crossing	~5	~20	~40
Average number of interactions per crossing (luminosity weighted)	~2	~9	~21
Total integrated luminosity delivered	47 pb <sup>-1</sup>	$5.5  {\rm fb}^{-1}$	23 fb <sup>-1</sup>

 $\mathcal{L}_{peak} \approx 6-8 \times 10^{33} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$ , on the average three times higher than in 2011.

ATLAS monitors the delivered luminosity by measuring  $\mu_{\rm vis}$ , the visible interaction rate per bunch crossing, with a variety of independent detectors and using several different algorithms (Sect. 3). The bunch luminosity can then be written as

$$\mathcal{L}_{\rm b} = \frac{\mu_{\rm vis} f_{\rm r}}{\sigma_{\rm vis}},\tag{2}$$

where  $\mu_{vis} = \varepsilon \mu$ ,  $\varepsilon$  is the efficiency of the detector and algorithm under consideration, and the visible cross-section for that same detector and algorithm is defined by  $\sigma_{vis} \equiv \varepsilon \sigma_{inel}$ . Since  $\mu_{vis}$  is a directly measurable quantity, the calibration of the luminosity scale for a particular detector and algorithm amounts to determining the visible cross-section  $\sigma_{vis}$ . This calibration, described in detail in Sect. 4, is performed using dedicated beam-separation scans, where the absolute luminosity can be inferred from direct measurements of the beam parameters [2,4]. This known luminosity is then combined with the simultaneously measured interaction rate  $\mu_{vis}$  to extract  $\sigma_{vis}$ .

A fundamental ingredient of the ATLAS strategy to assess and control the systematic uncertainties affecting the absolute luminosity determination is to compare the measurements of several luminometers, most of which use more than one algorithm to determine the luminosity. These multiple detectors and algorithms are characterized by significantly different

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acceptance, response to pile-up, and sensitivity to instrumental effects and to beam-induced backgrounds. Since the calibration of the absolute luminosity scale is carried out only two or three times per year, this calibration must either remain constant over extended periods of time and under different machine conditions, or be corrected for long-term drifts. The level of consistency across the various methods, over the full range of luminosities and beam conditions, and across many months of LHC operation, provides a direct test of the accuracy and stability of the results. A full discussion of the systematic uncertainties is presented in Sects. 5–8.

The information needed for physics analyses is the integrated luminosity for some well-defined data samples. The basic time unit for storing ATLAS luminosity information for physics use is the luminosity block (LB). The boundaries of each LB are defined by the ATLAS central trigger processor (CTP), and in general the duration of each LB is approximately one minute. Configuration changes, such as a trigger prescale adjustment, prompt a luminosity-block transition, and data are analysed assuming that each luminosity block contains data taken under uniform conditions, including luminosity. For each LB, the instantaneous luminosity from each detector and algorithm, averaged over the luminosity block, is stored in a relational database along with a variety of general ATLAS data-quality information. To define a data sample for physics, quality criteria are applied to select LBs where conditions are acceptable; then the instantaneous luminosity in that LB is multiplied by the LB duration to provide the integrated luminosity delivered in that LB. Additional corrections can be made for trigger deadtime and trigger prescale factors, which are also recorded on a per-LB basis. Adding up the integrated luminosity delivered in a specific set of luminosity blocks provides the integrated luminosity of the entire data sample.

## 3 Luminosity detectors and algorithms

The ATLAS detector is discussed in detail in Ref. [1]. The two primary luminometers, the BCM (Beam Conditions Monitor) and LUCID (LUminosity measurement using a Cherenkov Integrating Detector), both make deadtime-free, bunch-by-bunch luminosity measurements (Sect. 3.1). These are compared with the results of the track-counting method (Sect. 3.2), a new approach developed by ATLAS which monitors the multiplicity of charged particles produced in randomly selected colliding-bunch crossings, and is essential to assess the calibration-transfer correction from the *vdM* to the high-luminosity regime. Additional methods have been developed to disentangle the relative long-term drifts and run-to-run variations between the BCM, LUCID and track-counting measurements during high-luminosity running, thereby reducing the associated systematic uncertain

ties to the sub-percent level. These techniques measure the total instantaneous luminosity, summed over all bunches, by monitoring detector currents sensitive to average particle fluxes through the ATLAS calorimeters, or by reporting fluences observed in radiation-monitoring equipment; they are described in Sect. 3.3.

#### 3.1 Dedicated bunch-by-bunch luminometers

The BCM consists of four  $8 \times 8 \text{ mm}^2$  diamond sensors arranged around the beampipe in a cross pattern at  $z = \pm 1.84 \text{ m}$  on each side of the ATLAS IP.<sup>1</sup> If one of the sensors produces a signal over a preset threshold, a *hit* is recorded for that bunch crossing, thereby providing a low-acceptance bunch-by-bunch luminosity signal at  $|\eta| = 4.2$  with subnanosecond time resolution. The horizontal and vertical pairs of BCM sensors are read out separately, leading to two luminosity measurements labelled BCMH and BCMV respectively. Because the thresholds, efficiencies and noise levels may exhibit small differences between BCMH and BCMV, these two measurements are treated for calibration and monitoring purposes as being produced by independent devices, although the overall response of the two devices is expected to be very similar.

LUCID is a Cherenkov detector specifically designed to measure the luminosity in ATLAS. Sixteen aluminium tubes originally filled with C<sub>4</sub>F<sub>10</sub> gas surround the beampipe on each side of the IP at a distance of 17 m, covering the pseudorapidity range 5.6 <  $|\eta|$  < 6.0. For most of 2012, the LUCID tubes were operated under vacuum to reduce the sensitivity of the device, thereby mitigating pile-up effects and providing a wider operational dynamic range. In this configuration, Cherenkov photons are produced only in the quartz windows that separate the gas volumes from the photomultiplier tubes (PMTs) situated at the back of the detector. If one of the LUCID PMTs produces a signal over a preset threshold, that tube records a hit for that bunch crossing.

Each colliding-bunch pair is identified numerically by a bunch-crossing identifier (BCID) which labels each of the 3564 possible 25 ns slots in one full revolution of the nominal LHC fill pattern. Both BCM and LUCID are fast detectors with electronics capable of reading out the diamond-sensor and PMT hit patterns separately for each bunch crossing, thereby making full use of the available statistics. These FPGA-based front-end electronics run autonomously from the main data acquisition system, and are not affected by any deadtime imposed by the CTP.<sup>2</sup> They execute in real time several different online algorithms, characterized by diverse efficiencies, background sensitivities, and linearity characteristics [5].

The BCM and LUCID detectors consist of two symmetric arms placed in the forward ("A") and backward ("C") direction from the IP, which can also be treated as independent devices. The baseline luminosity algorithm is an inclusive hit requirement, known as the EventOR algorithm, which requires that at least one hit be recorded anywhere in the detector considered. Assuming that the number of interactions in a bunch crossing obeys a Poisson distribution, the probability of observing an event which satisfies the EventOR criteria can be computed as

$$P_{\rm EventOR} \left( \mu_{\rm vis}^{\rm OR} \right) = N_{\rm OR} / N_{\rm BC} = 1 - e^{-\mu_{\rm vis}^{\rm OR}}.$$
 (3)

Here the raw event count  $N_{\text{OR}}$  is the number of bunch crossings, during a given time interval, in which at least one *pp* interaction satisfies the event-selection criteria of the OR algorithm under consideration, and  $N_{\text{BC}}$  is the total number of bunch crossings during the same interval. Solving for  $\mu_{\text{vis}}$  in terms of the event-counting rate yields

$$\mu_{\rm vis}^{\rm OR} = -\ln\left(1 - \frac{N_{\rm OR}}{N_{\rm BC}}\right).\tag{4}$$

When  $\mu_{vis} \gg 1$ , event counting algorithms lose sensitivity as fewer and fewer bunch crossings in a given time interval report zero observed interactions. In the limit where  $N_{OR}/N_{BC} = 1$ , event counting algorithms can no longer be used to determine the interaction rate  $\mu_{vis}$ : this is referred to as *saturation*. The sensitivity of the LUCID detector is high enough (even without gas in the tubes) that the LUCID\_EventOR algorithm saturates in a one-minute interval at around 20 interactions per crossing, while the singlearm inclusive LUCID\_EventA and LUCID\_EventC algorithms can be used up to around 30 interactions per crossing. The lower acceptance of the BCM detector allowed event counting to remain viable for all of 2012.

#### 3.2 Tracker-based luminosity algorithms

The ATLAS inner detector (ID) measures the trajectories of charged particles over the pseudorapidity range  $|\eta| < 2.5$  and the full azimuth. It consists [1] of a silicon pixel detector (Pixel), a silicon micro-strip detector (SCT) and a strawtube transition-radiation detector (TRT). Charged particles are reconstructed as tracks using an inside-out algorithm,

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> ATLAS uses a right-handed coordinate system with its origin at the nominal interaction point in the centre of the detector, and the *z*-axis along the beam line. The *x*-axis points from the IP to the centre of the LHC ring, and the *y*-axis points upwards. Cylindrical coordinates (r,  $\phi$ ) are used in the transverse plane,  $\phi$  being the azimuthal angle around the beam line. The pseudoratily its defined in terms of the polar angle  $\theta$  as  $\eta = -\ln \tan(\theta/2)$ .

 $<sup>^2</sup>$  The CTP inhibits triggers (causing deadtime) for a variety of reasons, but especially for several bunch crossings after a triggered event to allow time for the detector readout to conclude. Any new triggers which occur during this time are ignored.

which starts with three-point seeds from the silicon detectors and then adds hits using a combinatoric Kalman filter [6].

The luminosity is assumed to be proportional to the number of reconstructed charged-particle tracks, with the visible interaction rate  $\mu_{vis}$  taken as the number of tracks per bunch crossing averaged over a given time window (typically a luminosity block). In standard physics operation, silicondetector data are recorded in a dedicated partial-event stream using a random trigger at a typical rate of 100 Hz, sampling each colliding-bunch pair with equal probability. Although a bunch-by-bunch luminosity measurement is possible in principle, over 1300 bunches were colliding in ATLAS for most of 2012, so that in practice only the bunch-integrated luminosity can be determined with percent-level statistical precision in a given luminosity block. During vdM scans, Pixel and SCT data are similarly routed to a dedicated data stream for a subset of the colliding-bunch pairs at a typical rate of 5 kHz per BCID, thereby allowing the bunch-by-bunch determination of  $\sigma_{\rm vis}$ .

For the luminosity measurements presented in this paper, charged-particle track reconstruction uses hits from the silicon detectors only. Reconstructed tracks are required to have at least nine silicon hits, zero holes<sup>3</sup> in the Pixel detector and transverse momentum in excess of 0.9 GeV. Furthermore, the absolute transverse impact parameter with respect to the luminous centroid [7] is required to be no larger than seven times its uncertainty, as determined from the covariance matrix of the fit.

This default track selection makes no attempt to distinguish tracks originating from primary vertices from those produced in secondary interactions, as the yields of both are expected to be proportional to the luminosity. Previous studies of track reconstruction in ATLAS show that in low pile-up conditions ( $\mu \leq 1$ ) and with a track selection looser than the above-described default, single-beam backgrounds remain well below the per-mille level [8]. However, for pileup parameters typical of 2012 physics running, tracks formed from random hit combinations, known as *fake tracks*, can become significant [9]. The track selection above is expected to be robust against such non-linearities, as demonstrated by analysing simulated events of overlaid inelastic pp interactions produced using the PYTHIA 8 Monte Carlo event generator [10]. In the simulation, the fraction of fake tracks per event can be parameterized as a function of the true pile-up parameter, yielding a fake-track fraction of less than 0.2% at  $\mu = 20$  for the default track selection. In data, this fake-track contamination is subtracted from the measured track multi-

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plicity using the simulation-based parameterization with, as input, the  $\langle \mu \rangle$  value reported by the BCMH\_EventOR luminosity algorithm. An uncertainty equal to half the correction is assigned to the measured track multiplicity to account for possible systematic differences between data and simulation.

Biases in the track-counting luminosity measurement can arise from  $\mu$ -dependent effects in the track reconstruction or selection requirements, which would change the reported track-counting yield per collision between the low pile-up vdM-calibration regime and the high- $\mu$  regime typical of physics data-taking. Short- and long-term variations in the track reconstruction and selection efficiency can also arise from changing ID conditions, for example because of temporarily disabled silicon readout modules. In general, looser track selections are less sensitive to such fluctuations in instrumental coverage; however, they typically suffer from larger fake-track contamination.

To assess the impact of such potential biases, several looser track selections, or *working points* (WP), are investigated. Most are found to be consistent with the default working point once the uncertainty affecting the simulation-based fake-track subtraction is accounted for. In the case where the Pixel-hole requirement is relaxed from zero to no more than one, a moderate difference in excess of the fake-subtraction uncertainty is observed in the data. This working point, labelled "Pixel holes  $\leq 1$ ", is used as an alternative algorithm when evaluating the systematic uncertainties associated with track-counting luminosity measurements.

In order to all but eliminate fake-track backgrounds and minimize the associated  $\mu$ -dependence, another alternative is to remove the impact-parameter requirement and use the resulting superset of tracks as input to the primaryvertex reconstruction algorithm. Those tracks which, after the vertex-reconstruction fit, have a non-negligible probability of being associated to any primary vertex are counted to provide an alternative luminosity measurement. In the simulation, the performance of this "vertex-associated" working point is comparable, in terms of fake-track fraction and other residual non-linearities, to that of the default and "Pixel holes  $\leq 1$ " track selections discussed above.

## 3.3 Bunch-integrating detectors

Additional algorithms, sensitive to the instantaneous luminosity summed over all bunches, provide relative-luminosity monitoring on time scales of a few seconds rather than of a bunch crossing, allowing independent checks of the linearity and long-term stability of the BCM, LUCID and trackcounting algorithms. The first technique measures the particle flux from *pp* collisions as reflected in the current drawn by the PMTs of the hadronic calorimeter (TileCal). This flux, which is proportional to the instantaneous luminosity, is also monitored by the total ionization current flowing through a

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> In this context, a hole is counted when a hit is expected in an active sensor located on the track trajectory between the first and the last hit associated with this track, but no such hit is found. If the corresponding sensor is known to be inactive and therefore not expected to provide a hit, no hole is counted.

well-chosen set of liquid-argon (LAr) calorimeter cells. A third technique, using Medipix radiation monitors, measures the average particle flux observed in these devices.

# 3.3.1 Photomultiplier currents in the central hadronic calorimeter

The TileCal [11] is constructed from plastic-tile scintillators as the active medium and from steel absorber plates. It covers the pseudorapidity range  $|\eta| < 1.7$  and consists of a long central cylindrical barrel and two smaller extended barrels, one on each side of the long barrel. Each of these three cylinders is divided azimuthally into 64 modules and segmented into three radial sampling layers. Cells are defined in each layer according to a projective geometry, and each cell is connected by optical fibres to two photomultiplier tubes. The current drawn by each PMT is proportional to the total number of particles interacting in a given TileCal cell, and provides a signal proportional to the luminosity summed over all the colliding bunches. This current is monitored by an integrator system with a time constant of 10 ms and is sensitive to currents from 0.1 nA to 1.2 µA. The calibration and the monitoring of the linearity of the integrator electronics are ensured by a dedicated high-precision current-injection system.

The collision-induced PMT current depends on the pseudorapidity of the cell considered and on the radial sampling in which it is located. The cells most sensitive to luminosity variations are located near  $|\eta| \approx 1.25$ ; at a given pseudorapidity, the current is largest in the innermost sampling layer, because the hadronic showers are progressively absorbed as they expand in the middle and outer radial layers. Long-term variations of the TileCal response are monitored, and corrected if appropriate [3], by injecting a laser pulse directly into the PMT, as well as by integrating the counting rate from a <sup>137</sup>Cs radioactive source that circulates between the calorimeter cells during calibration runs.

The TileCal luminosity measurement is not directly calibrated by the *vdM* procedure, both because its slow and asynchronous readout is not optimized to keep in step with the scan protocol, and because the luminosity is too low during the scan for many of its cells to provide accurate measurements. Instead, the TileCal luminosity calibration is performed in two steps. The PMT currents, corrected for electronics pedestals and for non-collision backgrounds<sup>4</sup> and averaged over the most sensitive cells, are first crosscalibrated to the absolute luminosity reported by the BCM during the April 2012 *vdM* scan session (Sect. 4). Since these high-sensitivity cells would incur radiation damage at the highest luminosities encountered during 2012, thereby requiring large calibration corrections, their luminosity scale is transferred, during an early intermediate-luminosity run and on a cell-by-cell basis, to the currents measured in the remaining cells (the sensitivities of which are insufficient under the low-luminosity conditions of vdM scans). The luminosity reported in any other physics run is then computed as the average, over the usable cells, of the individual cell luminosities, determined by multiplying the baselinesubtracted PMT current from that cell by the corresponding calibration constant.

#### 3.3.2 LAr-gap currents

The electromagnetic endcap (EMEC) and forward (FCal) calorimeters are sampling devices that cover the pseudo-rapidity ranges of, respectively, 1.5 <  $|\eta| < 3.2$  and  $3.2 < |\eta| < 4.9$ . They are housed in the two endcap cryostats along with the hadronic endcap calorimeters.

The EMECs consist of accordion-shaped lead/stainlesssteel absorbers interspersed with honeycomb-insulated electrodes that distribute the high voltage (HV) to the LAr-filled gaps where the ionization electrons drift, and that collect the associated electrical signal by capacitive coupling. In order to keep the electric field across each LAr gap constant over time, the HV supplies are regulated such that any voltage drop induced by the particle flux through a given HV sector is counterbalanced by a continuous injection of electrical current. The value of this current is proportional to the particle flux and thereby provides a relative-luminosity measurement using the EMEC HV line considered.

Both forward calorimeters are divided longitudinally into three modules. Each of these consists of a metallic absorber matrix (copper in the first module, tungsten elsewhere) containing cylindrical electrodes arranged parallel to the beam axis. The electrodes are formed by a copper (or tungsten) tube, into which a rod of slightly smaller diameter is inserted. This rod, in turn, is positioned concentrically using a helically wound radiation-hard plastic fibre, which also serves to electrically isolate the anode rod from the cathode tube. The remaining small annular gap is filled with LAr as the active medium. Only the first sampling is used for luminosity measurements. It is divided into 16 azimuthal sectors, each fed by 4 independent HV lines. As in the EMEC, the HV system provides a stable electric field across the LAr gaps and the current drawn from each line is directly proportional to the average particle flux through the corresponding FCal cells.

After correction for electronic pedestals and single-beam backgrounds, the observed currents are assumed to be proportional to the luminosity summed over all bunches; the validity of this assumption is assessed in Sect. 6. The EMEC and FCal gap currents cannot be calibrated during a vdM scan, because the instantaneous luminosity during these scans remains below the sensitivity of the current-measurement

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> For each LHC fill, the currents are baseline-corrected using data recorded shortly before the LHC beams are brought into collision.

circuitry. Instead, the calibration constant associated with an individual HV line is evaluated as the ratio of the absolute luminosity reported by the baseline bunch-by-bunch luminosity algorithm (BCMH\_EventOR) and integrated over one high-luminosity reference physics run, to the HV current drawn through that line, pedestal-subtracted and integrated over exactly the same time interval. This is done for each usable HV line independently. The luminosity reported in any other physics run by either the EMEC or the FCal, separately for the A and C detector arms, is then computed as the average, over the usable cells, of the individual HV-line luminosities.

#### 3.3.3 Hit counting in the Medipix system

The Medipix (MPX) detectors are hybrid silicon pixel devices, which are distributed around the ATLAS detector [12] and are primarily used to monitor radiation conditions in the experimental hall. Each of these 12 devices consists of a 2 cm<sup>2</sup> silicon sensor matrix, segmented in  $256 \times 256$  cells and bump-bonded to a readout chip. Each pixel in the matrix counts hits from individual particle interactions observed during a software-triggered "frame", which integrates over 5-120 s, depending upon the typical particle flux at the location of the detector considered. In order to provide calibrated luminosity measurements, the total number of pixel clusters observed in each sensor is counted and scaled to the TileCal luminosity in the same reference run as the EMEC and FCal. The six MPX detectors with the highest counting rate are analysed in this fashion for the 2012 running period; their mutual consistency is discussed in Sect. 6.

The hit-counting algorithm described above is primarily sensitive to charged particles. The MPX detectors offer the additional capability to detect thermal neutrons via  ${}^{6}\text{Li}(n, \alpha)^{3}\text{H}$  reactions in a  ${}^{6}\text{LiF}$  converter layer. This neutroncounting rate provides a further measure of the luminosity, which is consistent with, but statistically inferior to, the MPX hit counting measurement [12].

# 4 Absolute luminosity calibration by the van der Meer method

In order to use the measured interaction rate  $\mu_{vis}$  as a luminosity monitor, each detector and algorithm must be calibrated by determining its visible cross-section  $\sigma_{vis}$ . The primary calibration technique to determine the absolute luminosity scale of each bunch-by-bunch luminosity detector and algorithm employs dedicated *vdM* scans to infer the delivered luminosity at one point in time from the measurable parameters of the colliding bunches. By comparing the known luminosity delivered in the *vdM* scan to the visible interaction rate  $\mu_{vis}$ , the visible cross-section can be determined from Eq. (2).

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This section is organized as follows. The formalism of the van der Meer method is recalled in Sect. 4.1, followed in Sect. 4.2 by a description of the vdM-calibration datasets collected during the 2012 running period. The step-by-step determination of the visible cross-section is outlined in Sect. 4.3, and each ingredient is discussed in detail in Sects. 4.4–4.10. The resulting absolute calibrations of the bunch-by-bunch luminometers, as applicable to the low-luminosity conditions of vdM scans, are summarized in Sect. 4.11.

4.1 Absolute luminosity from measured beam parameters

In terms of colliding-beam parameters, the bunch luminosity  $\mathcal{L}_b$  is given by

$$\mathcal{L}_{b} = f_{r} n_{1} n_{2} \int \hat{\rho}_{1}(x, y) \, \hat{\rho}_{2}(x, y) \, dx \, dy, \tag{5}$$

where the beams are assumed to collide with zero crossing angle,  $n_1n_2$  is the bunch-population product and  $\hat{\rho}_{1(2)}(x, y)$ is the normalized particle density in the transverse (x-y)plane of beam 1 (2) at the IP. With the standard assumption that the particle densities can be factorized into independent horizontal and vertical component distributions,  $\hat{\rho}(x, y) = \rho_x(x) \rho_y(y)$ , Eq. (5) can be rewritten as

$$\mathcal{L}_{b} = f_{r} n_{1} n_{2} \Omega_{x}(\rho_{x1}, \rho_{x2}) \Omega_{y}(\rho_{y1}, \rho_{y2}), \tag{6}$$

where

$$\Omega_x(\rho_{x1},\rho_{x2}) = \int \rho_{x1}(x) \rho_{x2}(x) \,\mathrm{d}x$$

is the beam-overlap integral in the x direction (with an analogous definition in the y direction). In the method proposed by van der Meer [2], the overlap integral (for example in the x direction) can be calculated as

$$\Omega_x(\rho_{x1}, \rho_{x2}) = \frac{R_x(0)}{\int R_x(\delta) \,\mathrm{d}\delta},\tag{7}$$

where  $R_x(\delta)$  is the luminosity (at this stage in arbitrary units) measured during a horizontal scan at the time the two beams are separated horizontally by the distance  $\delta$ , and  $\delta = 0$  represents the case of zero beam separation. Because the luminosity  $R_x(\delta)$  is normalized to that at zero separation  $R_x(0)$ , any quantity proportional to the luminosity (such as  $\mu_{vis}$ ) can be substituted in Eq. (7) in place of R.

Defining the horizontal convolved beam size  $\Sigma_x$  [7,13] as

$$\Sigma_x = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \frac{\int R_x(\delta) \,\mathrm{d}\delta}{R_x(0)},\tag{8}$$

and similarly for  $\Sigma_y$ , the bunch luminosity in Eq. (6) can be rewritten as

$$\mathcal{L}_{\rm b} = \frac{f_{\rm r} n_1 n_2}{2\pi \Sigma_x \Sigma_y},\tag{9}$$

which allows the absolute bunch luminosity to be determined from the revolution frequency  $f_r$ , the bunch-population product  $n_1n_2$ , and the product  $\Sigma_x \Sigma_y$  which is measured directly during a pair of orthogonal *vdM* (beam-separation) scans. In the case where the luminosity curve  $R_x(\delta)$  is Gaussian,  $\Sigma_x$  coincides with the standard deviation of that distribution. It is important to note that the *vdM* method does not rely on any particular functional form of  $R_x(\delta)$ : the quantities  $\Sigma_x$ and  $\Sigma_y$  can be determined for any observed luminosity curve from Eq. (8) and used with Eq. (9) to determine the absolute luminosity at  $\delta = 0$ .

In the more general case where the factorization assumption breaks down, i.e. when the particle densities [or more precisely the dependence of the luminosity on the beam separation  $(\delta_x, \delta_y)$ ] cannot be factorized into a product of uncorrelated *x* and *y* components, the formalism can be extended to yield [4]

$$\Sigma_x \Sigma_y = \frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{\int R_{x,y}(\delta_x, \delta_y) \, \mathrm{d}\delta_x \, \mathrm{d}\delta_y}{R_{x,y}(0, 0)},\tag{10}$$

with Eq. (9) remaining formally unaffected. Luminosity calibration in the presence of non-factorizable bunch-density distributions is discussed extensively in Sect. 4.8.

The measured product of the transverse convolved beam sizes  $\Sigma_x \Sigma_y$  is directly related to the reference specific luminosity:<sup>5</sup>

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{spec}} \equiv \frac{\mathcal{L}_{\text{b}}}{n_1 n_2} = \frac{f_{\text{r}}}{2\pi \Sigma_x \Sigma_y}$$

which, together with the bunch currents, determines the absolute luminosity scale. To calibrate a given luminosity algorithm, one can equate the absolute luminosity computed from beam parameters using Eq. (9) to that measured according to Eq. (2) to get

$$\sigma_{\rm vis} = \mu_{\rm vis}^{\rm MAX} \frac{2\pi \, \Sigma_x \, \Sigma_y}{n_1 n_2},\tag{11}$$

where  $\mu_{vis}^{MAX}$  is the visible interaction rate per bunch crossing reported at the peak of the scan curve by that particular algorithm. Equation (11) provides a direct calibration of the visible cross-section  $\sigma_{vis}$  for each algorithm in terms of the peak visible interaction rate  $\mu_{vis}^{MAX}$ , the product of the convolved beam widths  $\Sigma_x \Sigma_y$ , and the bunch-population product  $n_1n_2$ . In the presence of a significant crossing angle in one of

the scan planes, the formalism becomes considerably more involved [14], but the conclusions remain unaltered and Eqs. (8)–(11) remain valid. The non-zero vertical crossing angle in some scan sessions widens the luminosity curve by a factor that depends on the bunch length, the transverse beam size and the crossing angle, but reduces the peak luminosity by the same factor. The corresponding increase in the measured value of  $\Sigma_y$  is exactly compensated by the decrease in  $\mu_{vis}^{MAX}$ , so that no correction for the crossing angle is needed in the determination of  $\sigma_{vis}$ .

#### 4.2 Luminosity-scan datasets

The beam conditions during vdM scans are different from those in normal physics operation, with lower bunch intensities and only a few tens of widely spaced bunches circulating. These conditions are optimized to reduce various systematic uncertainties in the calibration procedure [7]. Three scan sessions were performed during 2012: in April, July, and November (Table 2). The April scans were performed with nominal collision optics ( $\beta^* = 0.6 \text{ m}$ ), which minimizes the accelerator set-up time but yields conditions which are inadequate for achieving the best possible calibration accuracy.6 The July and November scans were performed using dedicated *vdM*-scan optics with  $\beta^* = 11$  m, in order to increase the transverse beam sizes while retaining a sufficiently high collision rate even in the tails of the scans. This strategy limits the impact of the vertex-position resolution on the nonfactorization analysis, which is detailed in Sect. 4.8, and also reduces potential µ-dependent calibration biases. In addition, the observation of large non-factorization effects in the April and July scan data motivated, for the November scan, a dedicated set-up of the LHC injector chain [16] to produce more Gaussian and less correlated transverse beam profiles.

Since the luminosity can be different for each collidingbunch pair, both because the beam sizes differ from bunch to bunch and because the bunch populations  $n_1$  and  $n_2$  can each vary by up to  $\pm 10\%$ , the determination of  $\Sigma_x$  and  $\Sigma_y$  and the measurement of  $\mu_{vis}^{MAX}$  are performed independently for each colliding-bunch pair. As a result, and taking the November session as an example, each scan set provides 29 independent measurements of  $\sigma_{vis}$ , allowing detailed consistency checks.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> The specific luminosity is defined as the luminosity per bunch and per unit bunch-population product [7].

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> The β function describes the single-particle motion and determines the variation of the beam envelope along the beam trajectory. It is calculated from the focusing properties of the magnetic lattice (see for example Ref. [15]). The symbol β<sup>\*</sup> denotes the value of the β function at the IP.

**Table 2** Summary of the main characteristics of the 2012 vdM scans performed at the ATLAS interaction point. The nominal tranverse beam size is computed using the nominal LHC emittance ( $\epsilon_N = 3.75 \ \mu$ m-radians). The actual transverse emittance and single-beam size are estimated by combining the convolved transverse widths measured in the

first scan of each session with the nominal IP  $\beta$ -function. The values of the luminosity/bunch and of  $\mu$  are given for zero beam separation during the first scan. The specific luminosity decreases by 6–17% over the duration of a given scan session

Scan labels	I–III	IV–IX	X–XV
Date	16 April 2012	19 July 2012	22, 24 November 2012
LHC fill number	2520	2855, 2856	3311, 3316
Total number of bunches per beam	48	48	39
Number of bunches colliding in ATLAS	35	35	29
Typical number of protons per bunch $n_{1,2}$	$0.6  imes 10^{11}$	$0.9 \times 10^{11}$	$0.9  imes 10^{11}$
Nominal $\beta$ -function at the IP ( $\beta^*$ ) (m)	0.6	11	11
Nominal transverse single-beam size $\sigma_b^{nom}$ (µm)	23	98	98
Actual transverse emittance $\epsilon_N$ (µm-radians)	2.3	3.2	3.1
Actual transverse single-beam size $\sigma_b$ (µm)	18	91	89
Actual transverse luminous size $\sigma_{\mathcal{L}} \approx \sigma_b/\sqrt{2}$ (µm)	13	65	63
Nominal vertical half crossing-angle (µrad)	±145	0	0
Typical luminosity/bunch ( $\mu b^{-1} s^{-1}$ )	0.8	0.09	0.09
Pile-up parameter $\mu$ (interactions/crossing)	5.2	0.6	0.6
Scan sequence	3 sets of centred $x + y$ scans (I–III)	4 sets of centred $x + y$ scans (IV–VI, VIII) plus 2 sets of $x + y$ off-axis scans (VII, IX)	4 sets of centred $x + y$ scans (X, XI, XIV, XV) plus 2 sets of x + y off-axis scans (XII, XIII)
Total scan steps per plane	25	25 (sets IV-VII)	25
		17 (sets VIII-IX)	
Maximum beam separation	$\pm 6\sigma_{\rm b}^{\rm nom}$	$\pm 6\sigma_{\rm b}^{\rm nom}$	$\pm 6\sigma_{\rm b}^{\rm nom}$
Scan duration per step (s)	20	30	30

To further test the reproducibility of the calibration procedure, multiple centred-scan<sup>7</sup> sets, each consisting of one horizontal scan and one vertical scan, are executed in the same scan session. In November for instance, two sets of centred scans (X and XI) were performed in quick succession, followed by two sets of off-axis scans (XII and XIII), where the beams were separated by 340 and 200  $\mu$ m respectively in the non-scanning direction. A third set of centred scans (XIV) was then performed as a reproducibility check. A fourth centred scan set (XV) was carried out approximately one day later in a different LHC fill.

The variation of the calibration results between individual scan sets in a given scan session is used to quantify the reproducibility of the optimal relative beam position, the convolved beam sizes, and the visible cross-sections. The reproducibility and consistency of the visible cross-section results across the April, July and November scan sessions provide a measure of the long-term stability of the response of each detector, and are used to assess potential systematic biases

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in the vdM-calibration technique under different accelerator conditions.

# 4.3 vdM-scan analysis methodology

The 2012 vdM scans were used to derive calibrations for the LUCID\_EventOR, BCM\_EventOR and track-counting algorithms. Since there are two distinct BCM readouts, calibrations are determined separately for the horizontal (BCMH) and vertical (BCMV) detector pairs. Similarly, the fully inclusive (EventOR) and single-arm inclusive (EventA, EventC) algorithms are calibrated independently. For the April scan session, the dedicated track-counting event stream (Sect. 3.2) used the same random trigger as during physics operation. For the July and November sessions, where the typical event rate was lower by an order of magnitude, track counting was performed on events triggered by the ATLAS Minimum Bias Trigger Scintillator (MBTS) [1]. Corrections for MBTS trigger inefficiency and for CTP-induced deadtime are applied, at each scan step separately, when calculating the average number of tracks per event.

For each individual algorithm, the vdM data are analysed in the same manner. The specific visible interaction rate

 $<sup>^{7}</sup>$  A centred (or on-axis) beam-separation scan is one where the beams are kept centred on each other in the transverse direction orthogonal to the scan axis. An offset (or off-axis) scan is one where the beams are partially separated in the non-scanning direction.

 $\mu_{\rm vis}/(n_1n_2)$  is measured, for each colliding-bunch pair, as a function of the nominal beam separation (i.e. the separation specified by the LHC control system) in two orthogonal scan directions (x and y). The value of  $\mu_{\rm vis}$  is determined from the raw counting rate using the formalism described in Sect. 3.1 or 3.2. The specific interaction rate is used so that the calculation of  $\Sigma_x$  and  $\Sigma_y$  properly takes into account the bunch-current variation during the scan; the measurement of the bunch-population product  $n_1n_2$  is detailed in Sect. 4.10.

Figure 1 shows examples of horizontal-scan curves measured for a single BCID using two different algorithms. At each scan step, the visible interaction rate  $\mu_{vis}$  is first corrected for afterglow, instrumental noise and beam-halo backgrounds as described in Sect. 4.4, and the nominal beam separation is rescaled using the calibrated beam-separation scale (Sect. 4.5). The impact of orbit drifts is addressed in Sect. 4.6, and that of beam-beam deflections and of the dynamic- $\beta$ effect is discussed in Sect. 4.7. For each BCID and each scan independently, a characteristic function is fitted to the corrected data; the peak of the fitted function provides a measurement of  $\mu_{vis}^{MAX}$ , while the convolved width  $\Sigma$  is computed from the integral of the function using Eq. (8). Depending on the beam conditions, this function can be a single-Gaussian function plus a constant term, a double-Gaussian function plus a constant term, a Gaussian function times a polynomial (plus a constant term), or other variations. As described in Sect. 5, the differences between the results extracted using different characteristic functions are taken into account as a systematic uncertainty in the calibration result.

The combination of one horizontal (*x*) scan and one vertical (*y*) scan is the minimum needed to perform a measurement of  $\sigma_{vis}$ . In principle, while the  $\mu_{vis}^{MAX}$  parameter is detector- and algorithm-specific, the convolved widths  $\Sigma_x$  and  $\Sigma_y$ , which together specify the head-on reference luminosity, do not need to be determined using that same detector and algorithm. In practice, it is convenient to extract all the parameters associated with a given algorithm consistently from a single set of scan curves, and the average value of  $\mu_{vis}^{MAX}$  between the two scan planes is used. The correlations between the fitted values of  $\mu_{vis}^{MAX}$ ,  $\Sigma_x$  and  $\Sigma_y$  are taken into account when evaluating the statistical uncertainty affecting  $\sigma_{vis}$ .

Each BCID should yield the same measured  $\sigma_{vis}$  value, and so the average over all BCIDs is taken as the  $\sigma_{vis}$  measurement for the scan set under consideration. The bunch-to-bunch consistency of the visible cross-section for a given luminosity algorithm, as well as the level of agreement between  $\Sigma$  values measured by different detectors and algorithms in a given scan set, are discussed in Sect. 5 as part of the systematic uncertainty.

Once visible cross-sections have been determined from each scan set as described above, two beam-dynamical effects must be considered (and if appropriate corrected





Fig. 1 Beam-separation dependence of the specific visible interaction rate measured using the a LUCID\_EventOR and b BCMH\_EventOR algorithms during horizontal scan X, before (*red circles*) and after (*purple squares*) afterglow, noise and single-beam background subtraction. The subtracted contributions are shown as triangles. The scan curves are fitted to a Gaussian function multiplied by a sixth-order polynomial, plus a constant

for), both associated with the shape of the colliding bunches in transverse phase space: non-factorization and emittance growth. These are discussed in Sects. 4.8 and 4.9 respectively.

## 4.4 Background subtraction

The *vdM* calibration procedure is affected by three distinct background contributions to the luminosity signal: afterglow, instrumental noise, and single-beam backgrounds.

As detailed in Refs. [3,5], both the LUCID and BCM detectors observe some small activity in the BCIDs immediately following a collision, which in later BCIDs decays to a baseline value with several different time constants. This afterglow is most likely caused by photons from nuclear deexcitation, which in turn is induced by the hadronic cascades initiated by *pp* collision products. For a given bunch pat-

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tern, the afterglow level is observed to be proportional to the luminosity in the colliding-bunch slots. During vdM scans, it lies three to four orders of magnitude below the luminosity signal, but reaches a few tenths of a percent during physics running because of the much denser bunch pattern.

Instrumental noise is, under normal circumstances, a few times smaller than the single-beam backgrounds, and remains negligible except at the largest beam separations. However, during a one-month period in late 2012 that includes the November vdM scans, the A arm of both BCM detectors was affected by high-rate electronic noise corresponding to about 0.5% (1%) of the visible interaction rate, at the peak of the scan, in the BCMH (BCMV) diamond sensors (Fig. 1b). This temporary perturbation, the cause of which could not be identified, disappeared a few days after the scan session. Nonetheless, it was large enough that a careful subtraction procedure had to be implemented in order for this noise not to bias the fit of the BCM luminosity-scan curves.

Since afterglow and instrumental noise both induce random hits at a rate that varies slowly from one BCID to the next, they are subtracted together from the raw visible interaction rate  $\mu_{vis}$  in each colliding-bunch slot. Their combined magnitude is estimated using the rate measured in the immediately preceding bunch slot, assuming that the variation of the afterglow level from one bunch slot to the next can be neglected.

A third background contribution arises from activity correlated with the passage of a single beam through the detector. This activity is attributed to a combination of shower debris from beam-gas interactions and from beam-tail particles that populate the beam halo and impinge on the luminosity detectors in time with the circulating bunch. It is observed to be proportional to the bunch population, can differ slightly between beams 1 and 2, but is otherwise uniform for all bunches in a given beam. The total single-beam background in a colliding-bunch slot is estimated by measuring the singlebeam rates in unpaired bunches (after subtracting the afterglow and noise as done for colliding-bunch slots), separately for beam 1 and beam 2, rescaling them by the ratio of the bunch populations in the unpaired and colliding bunches, and summing the contributions from the two beams. This background typically amounts to  $2 \times 10^{-4}$  (8 × 10<sup>-4</sup>) of the luminosity at the peak of the scan for the LUCID (BCM) EventOR algorithms. Because it depends neither on the luminosity nor on the beam separation, it can become comparable to the actual luminosity in the tails of the scans.

4.5 Determination of the absolute beam-separation scale

Another key input to the *vdM* scan technique is the knowledge of the beam separation at each scan step. The ability to measure  $\Sigma$  depends upon knowing the absolute distance by which the beams are separated during the *vdM* scan, which

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**Fig. 2** Length-scale calibration scan for the *x* direction of beam 2. Shown is the measured displacement of the luminous centroid as a function of the expected displacement based on the corrector bump amplitude. The *line* is a linear fit to the data, and the residual is shown in the *bottom panel. Error bars* are statistical only

is controlled by a set of closed orbit bumps<sup>8</sup> applied locally near the ATLAS IP. To determine this beam-separation scale, dedicated calibration measurements were performed close in time to the April and July scan sessions using the same optical configuration at the interaction point. Such length-scale scans are performed by displacing both beams transversely by five steps over a range of up to  $\pm 3\sigma_{\rm b}^{\rm nom}$ , at each step keeping the beams well centred on each other in the scanning plane. The actual displacement of the luminous region can then be measured with high accuracy using the primary-vertex position reconstructed by the ATLAS tracking detectors. Since each of the four bump amplitudes (two beams in two transverse directions) depends on different magnet and lattice functions, the length-scale calibration scans are performed so that each of these four calibration constants can be extracted independently. The July 2012 calibration data for the horizontal bump of beam 2 are presented in Fig. 2. The scale factor which relates the nominal beam displacement to the measured displacement of the luminous centroid is given by the slope of the fitted straight line; the intercept is irrelevant.

Since the coefficients relating magnet currents to beam displacements depend on the interaction-region optics, the absolute length scale depends on the  $\beta^*$  setting and must

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> A closed orbit bump is a local distortion of the beam orbit that is implemented using pairs of steering dipoles located on either side of the affected region. In this particular case, these bumps are tuned to offset the trajectory of either beam parallel to itself at the IP, in either the horizontal or the vertical direction.

**Table 3** Length-scale calibrations at the ATLAS interaction point at  $\sqrt{s} = 8$  TeV. Values shown are the ratio of the beam displacement measured by ATLAS using the average primary-vertex position, to the nominal displacement entered into the accelerator control system. Ratios are

shown for each individual beam in both planes, as well as for the beamseparation scale that determines that of the convolved beam sizes in the *vdM* scan. The uncertainties are statistical only

Calibration session(s) $\beta^*$	April 2012 0.6 m		July 2012 (applicable to November) 11 m		
	Horizontal	Vertical	Horizontal	Vertical	
Displacement scale					
Beam 1	$0.9882 \pm 0.0008$	$0.9881 \pm 0.0008$	$0.9970 \pm 0.0004$	$0.9961 \pm 0.0006$	
Beam 2	$0.9822 \pm 0.0008$	$0.9897 \pm 0.0009$	$0.9964 \pm 0.0004$	$0.9951 \pm 0.0004$	
Separation scale	$0.9852 \pm 0.0006$	$0.9889 \pm 0.0006$	$0.9967 \pm 0.0003$	$0.9956 \pm 0.0004$	

be recalibrated when the latter changes. The results of the 2012 length-scale calibrations are summarized in Table 3. Because the beam-separation scans discussed in Sect. 4.2 are performed by displacing the two beams symmetrically in opposite directions, the relevant scale factor in the determination of  $\Sigma$  is the average of the scale factors for beam 1 and beam 2 in each plane. A total correction of -2.57% (-0.77%) is applied to the convolved-width product  $\Sigma_x \Sigma_y$  and to the visible cross-sections measured during the April (July and November) 2012 *vdM* scans.

#### 4.6 Orbit-drift corrections

Transverse drifts of the individual beam orbits at the IP during a scan session can distort the luminosity-scan curves and. if large enough, bias the determination of the overlap integrals and/or of the peak interaction rate. Such effects are monitored by extrapolating to the IP beam-orbit segments measured using beam-position monitors (BPMs) located in the LHC arcs [17], where the beam trajectories should remain unaffected by the vdM closed-orbit bumps across the IP. This procedure is applied to each beam separately and provides measurements of the relative drift of the two beams during the scan session, which are used to correct the beam separation at each scan step as well as between the x and y scans. The resulting impact on the visible cross-section varies from one scan set to the next; it does not exceed  $\pm 0.6\%$  in any 2012 scan set, except for scan set X where the orbits drifted rapidly enough for the correction to reach +1.1%.

# 4.7 Beam-beam corrections

When charged-particle bunches collide, the electromagnetic field generated by a bunch in beam 1 distorts the individual particle trajectories in the corresponding bunch of beam 2 (and vice-versa). This so-called *beam–beam interaction* affects the scan data in two ways.

First, when the bunches are not exactly centred on each other in the x-y plane, their electromagnetic repulsion

induces a mutual angular kick [18] of a fraction of a microradian and modulates the actual transverse separation at the IP in a manner that depends on the separation itself. The phenomenon is well known from  $e^+e^-$  colliders and has been observed at the LHC at a level consistent with predictions [17]. If left unaccounted for, these *beam-beam deflections* would bias the measurement of the overlap integrals in a manner that depends on the bunch parameters.

The second phenomenon, called *dynamic*  $\beta$  [19], arises from the mutual defocusing of the two colliding bunches: this effect is conceptually analogous to inserting a small quadrupole at the collision point. The resulting fractional change in  $\beta^*$ , or equivalently the optical demagnification between the LHC arcs and the collision point, varies with the transverse beam separation, slightly modifying, at each scan step, the effective beam separation in both planes (and thereby also the collision rate), and resulting in a distortion of the shape of the *vdM* scan curves.

The amplitude and the beam-separation dependence of both effects depend similarly on the beam energy, the tunes<sup>9</sup> and the unperturbed  $\beta$ -functions, as well as on the bunch intensities and transverse beam sizes. The beam-beam deflections and associated orbit distortions are calculated analytically [13] assuming elliptical Gaussian beams that collide in ATLAS only. For a typical bunch, the peak angular kick during the November 2012 scans is about  $\pm 0.25 \,\mu$ rad, and the corresponding peak increase in relative beam separation amounts to  $\pm 1.7 \,\mu$ m. The MAD-X optics code [20] is used to validate this analytical calculation, and to verify that higher-order dynamical effects (such as the orbit shifts induced at other collision points by beam-beam deflections at the ATLAS IP) result in negligible corrections to the analytical prediction.

The dynamic evolution of  $\beta^*$  during the scan is modelled using the MAD-X simulation assuming bunch parameters representative of the May 2011 *vdM* scan [3], and then scaled

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> The tune of a storage ring is defined as the betatron phase advance per turn, or equivalently as the number of betatron oscillations over one full ring circumference.

using the beam energies, the  $\beta^*$  settings, as well as the measured intensities and convolved beam sizes of each collidingbunch pair. The correction function is intrinsically independent of whether the bunches collide in ATLAS only, or also at other LHC interaction points [19]. For the November session, the peak-to-peak  $\beta^*$  variation during a scan is about 1.1%.

At each scan step, the predicted deflection-induced change in beam separation is added to the nominal beam separation, and the dynamic- $\beta$  effect is accounted for by rescaling both the effective beam separation and the measured visible interaction rate to reflect the beam-separation dependence of the IP  $\beta$ -functions. Comparing the results of the 2012 scan analysis without and with beam-beam corrections, it is found that the visible cross-sections are increased by 1.2– 1.8% by the deflection correction, and reduced by 0.2–0.3% by the dynamic- $\beta$  correction. The net combined effect of these beam-beam corrections is a 0.9–1.5% increase of the visible cross-sections, depending on the scan set considered.

#### 4.8 Non-factorization effects

The original *vdM* formalism [2] explicitly assumes that the particle densities in each bunch can be factorized into independent horizontal and vertical components, such that the term  $1/2\pi \Sigma_x \Sigma_y$  in Eq. (9) fully describes the overlap integral of the two beams. If this factorization assumption is violated, the horizontal (vertical) convolved beam width  $\Sigma_x (\Sigma_y)$  is no longer independent of the vertical (horizontal) beam separation  $\delta_y (\delta_x)$ ; similarly, the transverse luminous size [7] in one plane ( $\sigma_{x\mathcal{L}}$  or  $\sigma_{y\mathcal{L}}$ ), as extracted from the spatial distribution of reconstructed collision vertices, depends on the separation in the other plane. The generalized *vdM* formalism summarized by Eq. (10) correctly handles such two-dimensional luminosity distributions, provided the dependence of these distributions on the beam separation in the transverse plane is known with sufficient accuracy.

Non-factorization effects are unambiguously observed in some of the 2012 scan sessions, both from significant differences in  $\Sigma_x$  ( $\Sigma_y$ ) between a standard scan and an offaxis scan, during which the beams are partially separated in the non-scanning plane (Sect. 4.8.1), and from the  $\delta_x$  ( $\delta_y$ ) dependence of  $\sigma_{y\mathcal{L}}$  ( $\sigma_{x\mathcal{L}}$ ) during a standard horizontal (vertical) scan (Sect. 4.8.2). Non-factorization effects can also be quantified, albeit with more restrictive assumptions, by performing a simultaneous fit to horizontal and vertical *vdM* scan curves using a non-factorizable function to describe the simultaneous dependence of the luminosity on the *x* and *y* beam separation (Sect. 4.8.3).

A large part of the scan-to-scan irreproducibility observed during the April and July scan sessions can be attributed to non-factorization effects, as discussed for ATLAS in Sect. 4.8.4 below and as independently reported by the LHCb Collaboration [21]. The strength of the effect varies widely

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across *vdM* scan sessions, differs somewhat from one bunch to the next and evolves with time within one LHC fill. Overall, the body of available observations can be explained neither by residual linear x-y coupling in the LHC optics [3,22], nor by crossing-angle or beam–beam effects; instead, it points to non-linear transverse correlations in the phase space of the individual bunches. This phenomenon was never envisaged at previous colliders, and was considered for the first time at the LHC [3] as a possible source of systematic uncertainty in the absolute luminosity scale. More recently, the non-factorizability of individual bunch density distributions was demonstrated directly by an LHCb beam–gas imaging analysis [21].

#### 4.8.1 Off-axis vdM scans

An unambiguous signature of non-factorization can be provided by comparing the transverse convolved width measured during centred (or on-axis) vdM scans with the same quantity extracted from an offset (or off-axis) scan, i.e. one where the two beams are significantly separated in the direction orthogonal to that of the scan. This is illustrated in Fig. 3a. The beams remained vertically centred on each other during the first three horizontal scans (the first horizontal scan) of LHC fill 2855 (fill 2856), and were separated vertically by approximately  $340 \,\mu m$  (roughly  $4\sigma_b$ ) during the last horizontal scan in each fill. In both fills, the horizontal convolved beam size is significantly larger when the beams are vertically separated, demonstrating that the horizontal luminosity distribution depends on the vertical beam separation, i.e. that the horizontal and vertical luminosity distributions do not factorize

The same measurement was carried out during the November scan session: the beams remained vertically centred on each other during the first, second and last scans (Fig. 3b), and were separated vertically by about 340 (200) $\mu$ m during the third (fourth) scan. The horizontal convolved beam size increases with time at an approximately constant rate, reflecting transverse-emittance growth. No significant deviation from this trend is observed when the beams are separated vertically, suggesting that the horizontal luminosity distribution is independent of the vertical beam separation, i.e. that during the November scan session the horizontal and vertical luminosity distributions approximately factorize.

# 4.8.2 Determination of single-beam parameters from luminous-region and luminosity-scan data

While a single off-axis scan can provide convincing evidence for non-factorization, it samples only one thin slice in the  $(\delta_x, \delta_y)$  beam-separation space and is therefore insufficient to fully determine the two-dimensional luminosity distribution. Characterizing the latter by performing an *x*-



Fig. 3 Time evolution of the horizontal convolved beam size  $\Sigma_x$  for five different colliding-bunch pairs (BCIDs), measured using the LUCID\_EventOR luminosity algorithm during the **a** July and **b** November 2012 *vtM*-scan sessions

y grid scan (rather than two one-dimensional x and y scans) would be prohibitively expensive in terms of beam time, as well as limited by potential emittance-growth biases. The strategy, therefore, is to retain the standard vdM technique (which assumes factorization) as the baseline calibration method, and to use the data to constrain possible nonfactorization biases. In the absence of input from beam-gas imaging (which requires a vertex-position resolution within the reach of LHCb only), the most powerful approach so far has been the modelling of the simultaneous beam-separationdependence of the luminosity and of the luminous-region geometry. In this procedure, the parameters describing the transverse proton-density distribution of individual bunches are determined by fitting the evolution, during vdM scans, not only of the luminosity itself but also of the position, orientation and shape of its spatial distribution, as reflected by that of reconstructed pp-collision vertices [23]. Luminosity proPage 13 of 45 653

files are then generated for simulated *vdM* scans using these fitted single-beam parameters, and analysed in the same fashion as real *vdM* scan data. The impact of non-factorization on the absolute luminosity scale is quantified by the ratio  $R_{\rm NF}$  of the "measured" luminosity extracted from the onedimensional simulated luminosity profiles using the standard *vdM* method, to the "true" luminosity from the computed four-dimensional (*x*, *y*, *z*, *t*) overlap integral [7] of the singlebunch distributions at zero beam separation. This technique is closely related to beam–beam imaging [7,24,25], with the notable difference that it is much less sensitive to the vertexposition resolution because it is used only to estimate a small fractional correction to the overlap integral, rather than its full value.

The luminous region is modelled by a three-dimensional (3D) ellipsoid [7]. Its parameters are extracted, at each scan step, from an unbinned maximum-likelihood fit of a 3D Gaussian function to the spatial distribution of the reconstructed primary vertices that were collected, at the corresponding beam separation, from the limited subset of colliding-bunch pairs monitored by the high-rate, dedicated ID-only data stream (Sect. 3.2). The vertex-position resolution, which is somewhat larger (smaller) than the transverse luminous size during scan sets I–III (scan sets IV–XV), is determined from the data as part of the fitting procedure [23]. It potentially impacts the reported horizontal and vertical luminous sizes, but not the measured position, orientation nor length of the luminous ellipsoid.

The single-bunch proton-density distributions  $\rho_B(x, y, z)$  are parameterized, independently for each beam *B* (*B* = 1, 2), as the non-factorizable sum of up to three 3D Gaussian or super-Gaussian [26] distributions (*G*<sub>a</sub>, *G*<sub>b</sub>, *G*<sub>c</sub>) with arbitrary widths and orientations [27,28]:

## $\rho_B = w_{\mathbf{a}B} \times G_{\mathbf{a}B} + (1 - w_{\mathbf{a}B})[w_{\mathbf{b}B} \times G_{\mathbf{b}B} + (1 - w_{\mathbf{b}B}) \times G_{\mathbf{c}B}],$

where the weights  $w_{a(b)B}$ ,  $(1 - w_{a(b)B})$  add up to one by construction. The overlap integral of these density distributions, which allows for a crossing angle in both planes, is evaluated at each scan step to predict the produced luminosity and the geometry of the luminous region for a given set of bunch parameters. This calculation takes into account the impact, on the relevant observables, of the luminosity backgrounds, orbit drifts and beam-beam corrections. The bunch parameters are then adjusted, by means of a  $\chi^2$ -minimization procedure, to provide the best possible description of the centroid position, the orientation and the resolution-corrected widths of the luminous region measured at each step of a given set of on-axis x and y scans. Such a fit is illustrated in Fig. 4 for one of the horizontal scans in the July 2012 session. The goodness of fit is satisfactory ( $\chi^2 = 1.3$  per degree of freedom), even if some systematic deviations are apparent in the tails of the scan. The strong horizontal-separation dependence of the

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Fig. 4 Beam-separation dependence of the luminosity and of a subset of luminous-region parameters during horizontal *vdM* scan IV. The *points* represent **a** the specific visible interaction rate (or equivalently

vertical luminous size (Fig. 4d) confirms the presence of significant non-factorization effects, as already established from the off-axis luminosity data for that scan session (Fig. 3a).

This procedure is applied to all 2012 *vdM* scan sets, and the results are summarized in Fig. 5. The luminosity extracted from the standard *vdM* analysis with the assumption that factorization is valid, is larger than that computed from the reconstructed single-bunch parameters. This implies that neglecting non-factorization effects in the *vdM* calibration leads to overestimating the absolute luminosity scale (or equivalently underestimating the visible crosssection) by up to 3% (4.5%) in the April (July) scan session. Non-factorization biases remain below 0.8% in the November scans, thanks to bunch-tailoring in the LHC injector chain [16]. These observations are consistent, in terms both of absolute magnitude and of time evolution within a scan session, with those reported by LHCb [21] and CMS [29,30] in the same fills.

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the specific luminosity), **b** the *horizontal* position of the luminous centroid, **c**, **d** the *horizontal* and *vertical* luminous widths  $\sigma_{x\mathcal{L}}$  and  $\sigma_{y\mathcal{L}}$ . The *red line* is the result of the fit described in the text

# 4.8.3 Non-factorizable vdM fits to luminosity-scan data

A second approach, which does not use luminous-region data, performs a combined fit of the measured beamseparation dependence of the specific visible interaction rate to horizontal- and vertical-scan data simultaneously, in order to determine the overlap integral(s) defined by either Eq. (8) or Eq. (10). Considered fit functions include factorizable or non-factorizable combinations of two-dimensional Gaussian or other functions (super-Gaussian, Gaussian times polynomial) where the (non-)factorizability between the two scan directions is imposed by construction.

The fractional difference between  $\sigma_{\rm vis}$  values extracted from such factorizable and non-factorizable fits, i.e. the multiplicative correction factor to be applied to visible crosssections extracted from a standard *vdM* analysis, is consistent with the equivalent ratio  $R_{\rm NF}$  extracted from the analysis of Sect. 4.8.2 within 0.5% or less for all scan sets. ComFig. 5 Ratio *R*<sub>NF</sub> of the luminosity determined by the *vdM* method assuming factorization, to that evaluated from the overlap integral of the reconstructed single-bunch profiles at the peak of each scan set. The results are *colour-coded* by scan session. *Each point* corresponds to one colliding-bunch pair in the dedicated ID-only stream. The statistical errors are smaller than the symbols





Fig. 6 Comparison of vdM-calibrated visible cross-sections for the default track-counting algorithm, with all corrections applied (black circles) and with all corrections except for non-factorization (red squares). Shown is the fractional difference between the visible cross-section from a given scan set, and the fully corrected visible cross-section from scan set XIV. The LHC fill numbers corresponding to each scan set are indicated

bined with the results of the off-axis scans, this confirms that while the April and July *vdM* analyses require substantial non-factorization corrections, non-factorization biases during the November scan session remain small.

#### 4.8.4 Non-factorization corrections and scan-to-scan consistency

Non-factorization corrections significantly improve the reproducibility of the calibration results (Fig. 6). Within a given LHC fill and in the absence of non-factorization corrections, the visible cross-section increases with time, as also observed at other IPs in the same fills [21,29], suggesting that the underlying non-linear correlations evolve over time. Applying the non-factorization corrections extracted from the luminous-region analysis dramatically improves the scan-to-scan consistency within the April and July scan sessions, as well as from one session to the next. The 1.0–1.4% inconsistency between the fully corrected crosssections (black circles) in scan sets I–III and in later scans, as well as the difference between fills 2855 and 2856 in the July session, are discussed in Sect. 4.11.

## 4.9 Emittance-growth correction

The *vdM* scan formalism assumes that both convolved beam sizes  $\Sigma_x$ ,  $\Sigma_y$  (and therefore the transverse emittances of each beam) remain constant, both during a single *x* or *y* scan and in the interval between the horizontal scan and the associated vertical scan.

Emittance growth within a scan would manifest itself by a slight distortion of the scan curve. The associated systematic uncertainty, determined from pseudo-scans simulated with the observed level of emittance growth, was found to be negligible.

Emittance growth between scans manifests itself by a slight increase of the measured value of  $\Sigma$  from one scan to the next, and by a simultaneous decrease in specific luminosity. Each scan set requires 40–60 min, during which time the convolved beam sizes each grow by 1–2%, and the peak specific interaction rate decreases accordingly as  $1/(\Sigma_x \Sigma_y)$ . This is illustrated in Fig. 7, which displays the  $\Sigma_x$  and  $\mu_{\text{vis}}^{\text{MAX}}/(n_1n_2)$  values measured by the BCMH\_EventOR algorithm during scan sets XI, XIV and XV. For each BCID, the convolved beam sizes increase, and the peak specific interaction rate decreases. XV took place very early in the following fill, the corresponding transverse beam sizes (specific rates) are smaller (larger) than for the previous scan sets.

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0.035

ATLAS

√s = 8 TeV

BCMH\_EventOR

Scan set XI
 Scan set XIV

- Scan set XV

(a)

**Fig. 7** Bunch-by-bunch **a** horizontal convolved beam size and **b** peak specific interaction rate measured in scan sets XI, XIV, and XV for the BCMH\_EventOR algorithm. The *vertical lines* represent the weighted

If the horizontal and vertical emittances grow at identical rates, the procedure described in Sect. 4.3 remains valid without any need for correction, provided that the decrease in peak rate is fully accounted for by the increase in  $(\Sigma_x \Sigma_y)$ , and that the peak specific interaction rate in Eq. (11) is computed as the average of the specific rates at the peak of the horizontal and the vertical scan:

$$\mu_{\rm vis}^{\rm MAX}/n_1n_2 = \frac{(\mu_{\rm vis}^{\rm MAX}/n_1n_2)_x + (\mu_{\rm vis}^{\rm MAX}/n_1n_2)_y}{2}$$

The horizontal-emittance growth rate is measured from the bunch-by-bunch difference in fitted convolved width between two consecutive horizontal scans in the same LHC fill, and similarly for the vertical emittance. For LHC fill 3311 (scan sets X-XIV), these measurements reveal that the horizontal convolved width grew 1.5-2 times faster than the vertical width. The potential bias associated with unequal horizontal and vertical growth rates can be corrected for by interpolating the measured values of  $\Sigma_x$ ,  $\Sigma_y$  and  $\mu_{vis}^{MAX}$  to a common reference time, assuming that all three observables evolve linearly with time. This reference time is in principle arbitrary: it can be, for instance, the peak of the x scan (in which case only  $\Sigma_{\nu}$  needs to be interpolated), or the peak of the y scan, or any other value. The visible cross-section, computed from Eq. (11) using measured values projected to a common reference time, should be independent of the reference time chosen.

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average over colliding-bunch pairs for each scan set separately. The error bars are statistical only, and are approximately the size of the marker

 $\mu_{vis}^{MAX}/(n_1 n_2) [(10^{11} p)^{-2}]$ 

0.055

0.045

**(b)** 

Applying this procedure to the November scan session results in fractional corrections to  $\sigma_{vis}$  of 1.38, 0.22 and 0.04% for scan sets X, XI and XIV, respectively. The correction for scan set X is exceptionally large because operational difficulties forced an abnormally long delay (almost two hours) between the horizontal scan and the vertical scan, exacerbating the impact of the unequal horizontal and vertical growth rates; its magnitude is validated by the noticeable improvement it brings to the scan-to-scan reproducibility of  $\sigma_{vis}$ .

No correction is available for scan set XV, as no other scans were performed in LHC fill 3316. However, in that case the delay between the x and y scans was short enough, and the consistency of the resulting  $\sigma_{vis}$  values with those in scan sets XI and XIV sufficiently good (Fig. 6), that this missing correction is small enough to be covered by the systematic uncertainties discussed in Sects. 5.2.6 and 5.2.8.

Applying the same procedure to the July scan session yields emittance-growth corrections below 0.3% in all cases. However, the above-described correction procedure is, strictly speaking, applicable only when non-factorization effects are small enough to be neglected. When the factorization hypothesis no longer holds, the very concept of separating horizontal and vertical emittance growth is ill-defined. In addition, the time evolution of the fitted one-dimensional convolved widths and of the associated peak specific rates is presumably more influenced by the progressive dilution, over time, of the non-factorization effects discussed in Sect. 4.8 above. Therefore, and given that the non-factorization cor-

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Scan set number	I–III	IV–VII	VIII–IX	X–XIV	XV
LHC fill number	2520	2855	2856	3311	3316
Fractional systematic uncertainty (%)					
Total intensity scale (DCCT)	0.26	0.21	0.21	0.22	0.23
Bunch-by-bunch fraction (FBCT)	0.03	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.04
Ghost charge (LHCb beam-gas)	0.04	0.03	0.04	0.04	0.02
Satellites (longitudinal density monitor)	0.07	0.02	0.03	0.01	< 0.0
Total	0.27	0.22	0.22	0.24	0.23
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rections applied to scan sets I–VIII (Fig. 5) are up to ten times larger than a typical emittance-growth correction, no such correction is applied to the April and July scan results; an appropriately conservative systematic uncertainty must be assigned instead.

# 4.10 Bunch-population determination

The bunch-population measurements are performed by the LHC Bunch-Current Normalization Working Group and have been described in detail in Refs. [21,27,31–33]. A brief summary of the analysis is presented here. The fractional uncertainties affecting the bunch-population product  $(n_1n_2)$  are summarized in Table 4.

The LHC bunch currents are determined in a multi-step process due to the different capabilities of the available instrumentation. First, the total intensity of each beam is monitored by two identical and redundant DC current transformers (DCCT), which are high-accuracy devices but have no ability to distinguish individual bunch populations. Each beam is also monitored by two fast beam-current transformers (FBCT), which measure relative bunch currents individually for each of the 3564 nominal 25 ns slots in each beam; these fractional bunch populations are converted into absolute bunch currents using the overall current scale provided by the DCCT. Finally, corrections are applied to account for out-of-time charge present in a given BCID but not colliding at the interaction point.

A precision current source with a relative accuracy of 0.05% is used to calibrate the DCCT at regular intervals. An exhaustive analysis of the various sources of systematic uncertainty in the absolute scale of the DCCT, including in particular residual non-linearities, long-term stability and dependence on beam conditions, is documented in Ref. [31]. In practice, the uncertainty depends on the beam intensity and the acquisition conditions, and must be evaluated on a fill-by-fill basis; it typically translates into a 0.2–0.3% uncertainty in the absolute luminosity scale.

Because of the highly demanding bandwidth specifications dictated by single-bunch current measurements, the FBCT response is potentially sensitive to the frequency spectrum radiated by the circulating bunches, timing adjustments with respect to the RF phase, and bunch-to-bunch intensity or length variations. Dedicated laboratory measurements and beam experiments, comparisons with the response of other bunch-aware beam instrumentation (such as the ATLAS beam pick-up timing system), as well as the imposition of constraints on the bunch-to-bunch consistency of the measured visible cross-sections, resulted in a <0.04% systematic luminosity-calibration uncertainty in the luminosity scale arising from the relative-intensity measurements [27, 32].

Additional corrections to the bunch-by-bunch population are made to correct for ghost charge and satellite bunches. Ghost charge refers to protons that are present in nominally empty bunch slots at a level below the FBCT threshold (and hence invisible), but which still contribute to the current measured by the more accurate DCCT. Highly precise measurements of these tiny currents (normally at most a few per mille of the total intensity) have been achieved [27] by comparing the number of beam-gas vertices reconstructed by LHCb in nominally empty bunch slots, to that in non-colliding bunches whose current is easily measurable. For the 2012 luminosity-calibration fills, the ghostcharge correction to the bunch-population product ranges from -0.21 to -0.65%; its systematic uncertainty is dominated by that affecting the LHCb trigger efficiency for beamgas events.

Satellite bunches describe out-of-time protons present in collision bunch slots that are measured by the FBCT, but that remain captured in an RF bucket at least one period (2.5 ns) away from the nominally filled LHC bucket. As such, they experience at most long-range encounters with the nominally filled bunches in the other beam. The best measurements are obtained using the longitudinal density monitor. This instrument uses avalanche photodiodes with 90 ps timing resolution to compare the number of infrared synchrotron-radiation photons originating from satellite RF buckets, to that from the nominally filled buckets. The corrections to the bunch-population product range from -0.03 to -0.65%, with the lowest satellite fraction achieved in scans X–XV. The measurement techniques, as well as the associ-

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ated corrections and systematic uncertainties, are detailed in Ref. [33].

4.11 Calibration results

#### 4.11.1 Summary of calibration corrections

With the exception of the noise and single-beam background subtractions (which depend on the location, geometry and instrumental response of individual subdetectors), all the above corrections to the vdM-calibrated visible crosssections are intrinsically independent of the luminometer and luminosity algorithm considered. The beam-separation scale, as well as the orbit-drift and beam-beam corrections, impact the effective beam separation at each scan step; the non-factorization and emittance-growth corrections depend on the properties of each colliding bunch-pair and on their time evolution over the course of a fill; and corrections to the bunch-population product translate into an overall scale factor that is common to all scan sets within a given LHC fill. The mutual consistency of these corrections was explicitly verified for the LUCID\_EventOR and BCM\_EventOR visible cross-sections, for which independently determined corrections are in excellent agreement. As the other algorithms (in particular track counting) are statistically less precise during vdM scans, their visible cross-sections are corrected using scale factors extracted from the LUCID\_EventOR scan analysis.

The dominant correction in scan sets I–VIII (Fig. 8) is associated with non-factorization; it is also the most uncertain, because it is sensitive to the vertex-position resolution, especially in scan sets I–III where the transverse luminous size is significantly smaller than the resolution. In contrast, non-factorization corrections are moderate in scan sets X– XV, suggesting a correspondingly minor contribution to the systematic uncertainty for the November scan session.

The next largest correction in scan sets I–III is that of the beam-separation scale, which, because of different  $\beta^*$  settings, is uncorrelated between the April session and the other two sessions, and fully correlated across scan sets IV–XV (Sect. 5.1.3). The correction to the bunch-population product is equally shared among FBCT, ghost-charge and satellite corrections in scan sets I–III, and dominated by the ghost-charge subtraction in scans IV–XV. This correction is uncorrelated between scan sessions, but fully correlated between scan sets in the same fill.

Of comparable magnitude across all scan sets, and partially correlated between them, is the beam-beam correction; its systematic uncertainty is moderate and can be calculated reliably (Sect. 5.2.3). The uncertainties associated with orbit drifts (Sect. 5.2.1) and emittance growth (Sect. 5.2.6) are small, except for scan set X where these corrections are largest.

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Fig. 8 Luminometer-independent corrections to the visible crosssections calibrated by the van der Meer method, averaged over all colliding bunches and displayed separately for each scan set. The length– scale, beam–beam, non-factorization and bunch–population corrections are discussed in Sects. 4.5, 4.7, 4.8 and 4.10, respectively. The orbit–drift (Sect. 4.6) and emittance–growth (Sect. 4.9) corrections are combined for clarity, and their cumulative effect is displayed as "beam evolution". The sum of all corrections is shown, for each scan set, by the red line

# 4.11.2 Consistency of vdM calibrations across 2012 scan sessions

The relative stability of *vdM* calibrations, across scan sets within a scan session and from one scan session to the next, can be quantified by the ratio  $S_{\text{calib},j}^k$  of the visible cross-section for luminosity algorithm k ( $k = \text{BCMH}_{\text{EventOR}}$ , BCMV\_EventOR, LUCID\_EventA,...) in a given scan set j to that in a reference scan set, arbitrarily chosen as scan set XIV:

$$S_{\text{calib},j}^k = \sigma_{\text{vis},j}^k / \sigma_{\text{vis},\text{XIV}}^k$$

The ratio  $S_{\text{calib},j}^k$  is presented in Fig. 9a for a subset of BCM, LUCID and track-counting algorithms. Several features are apparent.

- The visible cross-section associated with the LUCID\_ EventA algorithm drops significantly between the April and July scan sessions, and then again between July and November.
- For each algorithm separately, the σ<sub>vis</sub> variation across scan sets within a given LHC fill (scan sets I–III, IV–VI and X– XIV) remains below 0.5%, except for scan set X which stands out by 1%.
- The absolute calibrations of the BCMH\_EventOR and track-counting algorithms are stable to better than ±0.8% across scan sets IV–VI and X–XV, with the inconsistency being again dominated by scan set X.



Fig. 9 a Stability of absolutely calibrated visible cross-sections across scan sets, as quantified by the ratio of the visible cross-section in a given scan set to that of the same luminosity algorithm in scan set XIV. b Relative instrumental stability of different luminosity algorithms across scan sets, as quantified by the ratio shown in a for a given algorithm, divided by the same ratio for the default track-counting algorithm

- Between scan sets IV–VI and X–XV, the calibrations of the track counting, BCMH\_EventOR and BCMV\_EventOR algorithms drop on the average by 0.5, 0.6 and 1.7% respectively.
- The calibrations of the BCM\_EventOR (track-counting) algorithm in scan sets I–III and VIII are lower by up to 1.4% (2%) compared to the other scan sets. This structure, which is best visible in Fig. 6, is highly correlated across all algorithms. Since the corresponding luminosity detectors use very different technologies, this particular feature cannot be caused by luminometer instrumental effects.

In order to separate purely instrumental drifts in the ATLAS luminometers from vdM-calibration inconsistencies linked to other sources (such as accelerator parameters or beam conditions), Fig. 9b shows the variation, across scan sets j, of the double ratio

$$S_{\text{instr},j}^{k} = S_{\text{calib},j}^{k} / S_{\text{calib},j}^{\text{track counting}} = \frac{\sigma_{\text{vis},j}^{k} / \sigma_{\text{vis},\text{XIV}}^{k}}{\sigma_{\text{vis},j}^{\text{track counting}} / \sigma_{\text{vis},\text{XIV}}^{\text{track counting}}}$$

which quantifies the stability of algorithm *k* relative to that of the default track-counting algorithm. Track counting is chosen as the reference here because it is the bunch-by-bunch algorithm whose absolute calibration is the most stable over time (Figs. 6 and 9a), and that displays the best stability relative to all bunch-integrating luminosity algorithms during physics running across the entire 2012 running period (this is demonstrated in Sect. 6.1). By construction, the instrumental stability parameter  $S_{\text{instr.}, j}^k$  is sensitive only to instrumental effects, because the corrections described in Sects. 4.5–4.10 are intrinsically independent of the luminosity algorithm considered. The following features emerge.

- For each algorithm individually, the instrumental stability is typically better than 0.5% within each scan session.
- The instrumental stability of both the "Pixel holes ≤1" selection and the vertex-associated track selection (not shown) is better than 0.2% across all scan sets.
- Relative to track counting, the LUCID efficiency drops by 3.5% between the April and July scan sessions, and by an additional 2.2% between July and November. This degradation is understood to be caused by PMT aging.
- The BCMH\_EventOR efficiency increases by about 0.7% with respect to that of track counting between the April and July sessions, and then remains stable to within 0.2–0.4% across the July and November sessions. In contrast, the efficiency of the BCMV\_EventOR algorithm compared to that of track counting increases by about 1.3% from April to July, and drops back to its original level by the November session. These long-term variations in the response of various subsets of diamond sensors in the low-luminosity regime of vdM scans are possibly related to subtle solid-state physics effects arising from the combination of radiation damage during physics running [3,34] and of partial annealing during beam-off and low-luminosity periods. Aging effects of comparable magnitude are observed at high luminosity (Sect. 6).
- Given the 0.7% relative stability, between scan sets I–III and IV–VI, of the track-counting and BCMH\_EventOR calibrations (Fig. 9b), the 1.4–2.0% discrepancy, between the April and July *vdM*-scan sessions, that affects the absolute calibrations of both the BCMH\_EventOR and the track-counting algorithms (Fig. 9a) cannot be primarily instrumental in nature. The actual cause could not be identified with certainty. Since the transverse luminous size  $\sigma_{\mathcal{L}}$  in the April session (Table 2) is approximately three times smaller than the vertex-position resolution, a plausible scenario is that a small error in the estimated resolution biases the reconstructed luminous size in such

a way as to underestimate the non-factorization corrections  $R_{\rm NF}$ , and thereby the visible cross-sections, in scan sets I-III.

 Similarly, the 1.3% discrepancy, between scan sets IV-VI and scan set VIII, of the absolute calibrations of all algorithms (Fig. 9a) cannot be instrumental either. Here however, the luminous size is 1.5 times larger than the resolution: resolution biases (if any) should be noticeably smaller than in the April scan session. But as scan sets IV-VIII were carried out in two consecutive LHC fills under very similar beam conditions, such biases should impact scan sets IV-VI and VIII in the same manner.

# 4.11.3 Final visible cross-sections for bunch-by-bunch luminosity algorithms

The percent-level inconsistencies of the absolute calibrations between April and July and within the July session itself, as well as the excellent internal consistency of the November results for all algorithms (Fig. 9a), suggest that the November calibrations are the most reliable. In addition, the calibrations extracted from scan sets I-VIII are affected by several large adjustments that in some cases partially cancel (Fig. 8): of these the most uncertain are the non-factorization corrections, which affect the November scans much less. The cumulated magnitude of the corrections is also smallest for scan sets XI-XV (scan set X suffers from larger orbit-drift and emittance-growth corrections because of the long delay between the *x* and *y* scans).

The combination of these arguments suggests that the visible cross-sections, averaged over all colliding bunches in each scan set and then averaged over scan sets XI–XV, should be adopted as the best estimate  $\overline{\sigma}_{vis}$  of the absolute luminosity scale at the time of, and applicable to the beam conditions during, the November 2012 vdM session. Table 5 lists the  $\overline{\sigma}_{vis}$ values for the main luminosity algorithms considered in this paper; the associated systematic uncertainties are detailed in Sect. 5. Transferring the BCM and LUCID calibrations to the high-luminosity regime of routine physics operation, and accounting for time-dependent variations in luminometer response over the course of the 2012 running period, is addressed in Sect. 7.3.

#### 5 van der Meer calibration uncertainties

This section details the systematic uncertainties affecting the visible cross-sections reported in Table 5. The contributions from instrumental effects (Sect. 5.1) are comparable in magnitude to those associated with beam conditions (Sect. 5.2), while those from the bunch-population product (Sect. 5.3) are about three times smaller. A summary is presented in Table 6.

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Table 5         Visible cross-sections averaged over scan sets XI–XV				
Luminosity algorithm	$\overline{\sigma}_{ m vis}~( m mb)$	Statistical uncertainty (%)		
BCMH_EventOR	5.0541	0.05		
BCMV_EventOR	5.0202	0.06		
LUCID_EventOR	35.316	0.02		
LUCID_EventA	23.073	0.02		
LUCID_EventC	20.422	0.02		
Track counting (Pixel holes $\leq 1$ )	243.19	0.14		
Track counting (default)	241 27	0.14		

Table 6 Fractional systematic uncertainties affecting the visible crosssection  $\overline{\sigma}_{vis}$  averaged over *vdM* scan sets XI–XV (November 2012)

0.14

Track counting (vertex-associated) 226.24

Source	Uncertainty (%)
Reference specific luminosity	0.50
Noise and background subtraction	0.30
Length-scale calibration	0.40
Absolute ID length scale	0.30
Subtotal, instrumental effects	0.77
Orbit drifts	0.10
Beam-position jitter	0.20
Beam-beam corrections	0.28
Fit model	0.50
Non-factorization correction	0.50
Emittance-growth correction	0.10
Bunch-by-bunch $\sigma_{\rm vis}$ consistency	0.23
Scan-to-scan consistency	0.31
Subtotal, beam conditions	0.89
Bunch-population product	0.24
Total	1.20

#### 5.1 Instrumental effects

## 5.1.1 Reference specific luminosity

For simplicity, the visible cross-section extracted from vdM scans for a given luminometer utilizes the specific luminosity measured by that same luminometer. Since this quantity depends only on the convolved beam sizes, consistent results should be reported by all detectors and algorithms for a given scan set.

Figure 10 compares the  $\mathcal{L}_{\text{spec}}$  values measured by two independent luminosity algorithms in three consecutive scan sets. Bunch-to-bunch variations of the specific luminosity are typically 5-10% (Fig. 10a), reflecting bunch-to-bunch differ-


(a)

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**(b)** 

Fig. 10 a Bunch-by-bunch specific luminosity for scan sets XI, XIV and XV determined using the BCMH\_EventOR algorithm. **b** Bunch-by-bunch ratio of the  $\mathcal{L}_{spec}$  values reported by the BCMH\_EventOR and

ences in transverse emittance also seen during normal physics fills. A systematic reduction in  $\mathcal{L}_{spec}$  can be observed from scan XI to scan XIV, caused by emittance growth over the duration of the fill. Although the two algorithms appear statistically consistent for each bunch pair separately (Fig. 10b), their bunch-averaged ratio systematically differs from unity by a small amount. The largest such discrepancy in scan sets XI–XV among the BCM, LUCID and track-counting algorithms amounts to 0.5% and is adopted as the systematic uncertainty associated with the choice of reference specific-luminosity value.

# 5.1.2 Noise and background subtraction

To assess possible uncertainties in the default subtraction scheme, an alternative fit is performed to data without applying the background-correction procedure of Sect. 4.4, but interpreting the constant (i.e. separation-independent) term in the fitting function as the sum of instrumental noise and single-beam backgrounds. The maximum difference observed between these two background treatments, averaged over scan sets XI–XV, amounts to less than 0.3% (0.02%) for the BCMH\_EventOR (LUCID\_EventOR) algorithm. A systematic uncertainty of  $\pm 0.3\%$  is thus assigned to the background-subtraction procedure during *vdM* scans.

## 5.1.3 Length-scale calibration

The length scale of each scan step enters the extraction of  $\Sigma_{x,y}$  and hence directly affects the absolute luminosity

LUCID\_EventOR algorithms. The *vertical lines* indicate the weighted average over BCIDs for the three scan sets separately. The *error bars* represent statistical uncertainties only

scale. The corresponding calibration procedure is described in Sect. 4.5. Combining in quadrature the statistical errors in the horizontal and vertical beam-separation scales (Table 3) yields a statistical uncertainty of  $\pm 0.08\%$  in the length-scale product.

The residual non-linearity visible in Fig. 2, and also observed in length-scale calibration scans performed in 2011, could be caused either by the power converters that drive the steering correctors forming the closed-orbit bumps, by the response of the steering correctors themselves, or by magnetic imperfections (higher multipole components) at large betatron amplitudes in the quadrupoles located within those orbit bumps. The potential impact of such a non-linearity on the luminosity calibration is estimated to be less than 0.05%.

Another potential source of bias is associated with orbit drifts. These were monitored during each of the four length-scale scans using the method outlined in Sect. 4.6, revealing no significant drift. Small inconsistencies in the transverse beam positions extrapolated to the IP from the BPMs in the left and right arcs are used to set an upper limit on the potential orbit drift, during each scan, of the beam being calibrated, resulting in an overall  $\pm 0.4\%$  uncertainty in the length-scale product and therefore in the visible cross-section.

#### 5.1.4 Absolute length scale of the inner detector

The determination of the beam-separation scale is based on comparing the scan step requested by the LHC control system with the actual transverse displacement of the luminous centroid measured by ATLAS. This measurement relies on

the length scale of the ATLAS inner detector tracking system (primarily the Pixel detector) being correct in measuring displacements of vertex positions away from the centre of the detector. The determination of the uncertainty in this absolute length scale is described in Ref. [3]; its impact amounts to a systematic uncertainty of  $\pm 0.3\%$  in the visible cross-section.

#### 5.2 Beam conditions

#### 5.2.1 Orbit drifts during vdM scans

The systematic uncertainty associated with orbit drifts is taken as half of the correction described in Sect. 4.6, averaged over scan sets XI–XV. It translates into a ±0.1% systematic uncertainty in  $\overline{\sigma}_{vis}$ . Because the sign and amplitude of the orbit drifts vary over time, this uncertainty is uncorrelated with that affecting the length-scale calibration.

#### 5.2.2 Beam-position jitter

At each step of a scan, the actual beam separation may be affected by random deviations of the beam positions from their nominal settings, which in turn induce fluctuations in the luminosity measured at each scan point. The magnitude of this potential iitter was evaluated from the variation between consecutive measurements, a few seconds apart, of the relative beam separation at the IP extracted from singlebeam orbits measured by BPMs in the nearby LHC arcs and extrapolated to the IP (Sect. 4.6). The typical jitter in transverse beam separation observed during the November scan session amounts to 0.75 µm RMS. The resulting systematic uncertainty in  $\sigma_{vis}$  is obtained by random Gaussian smearing of the nominal separation by this amount, independently at each scan step, in a series of simulated scans. The RMS of the resulting fluctuations in fitted visible cross-section yields a  $\pm 0.2\%$  systematic uncertainty associated with beamposition jitter.

#### 5.2.3 Beam-beam corrections

For given values of the bunch intensity and transverse convolved beam sizes, which are precisely measured, the deflection-induced orbit distortion and the relative variation of  $\beta^*$  are both proportional to  $\beta^*$  itself; they also depend on the fractional tune. Assigning a  $\pm 20\%$  uncertainty to each  $\beta$ -function value at the IP and a  $\pm 0.01$  upper limit to each tune variation results in a  $\pm 0.28\%$  uncertainty in  $\sigma_{\rm vis}$ . This uncertainty is computed with the conservative assumption that  $\beta$ -function and tune uncertainties are correlated between the horizontal and vertical planes, but uncorrelated between the two LHC rings.

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#### 5.2.4 Fit model

The choice of the fit function is arbitrary, but guided by the requirement that the fit provides faithful measurements of the integral under the luminosity-scan curve and of the rate at zero beam separation. The choice of functional form therefore depends on the underlying shapes of the colliding bunches, as manifested in the beam-separation dependence of the luminosity. Scan sets I-VIII are best modelled using a double Gaussian function plus a constant. The beam shapes are different in scan sets X-XV [16]: here the best fit is obtained using a Gaussian function multiplied by a sixth-order polynomial. Additional fits are performed with different model assumptions: a super-Gaussian function, and a Gaussian function multiplied by a fourth-order polynomial (plus a constant term in all cases). The maximum fractional difference between the results of these different fits, across scan sets XI-XV and across the BCM, LUCID and trackcounting algorithms, amounts to 0.5%. This value is assigned as the uncertainty associated with the fit model.

#### 5.2.5 Non-factorization correction

The non-factorization corrections extracted from the luminousregion analysis (Sect. 4.8.2) and the non-factorizable vdM fits (Sect. 4.8.3), are consistent to within 0.5% or less in all scan sets. This value is chosen as the systematic uncertainty associated with non-factorization biases in the November scans.

#### 5.2.6 Emittance-growth correction

The uncertainty in the correction described in Sect. 4.9 is estimated as the largest difference in the scan-averaged correction for extreme choices of reference times, and amounts to  $\pm 0.1\%$  in  $\overline{\sigma}_{vis}$ .

#### 5.2.7 Consistency of bunch-by-bunch visible cross-sections

The calibrated  $\sigma_{vis}$  value associated with a given luminometer and algorithm should be a universal scale factor independent of beam conditions or BCID. The variation in  $\sigma_{vis}$  across colliding-bunch pairs in a given scan set, as well as between scan sets, is used to quantify the reproducibility and stability of the calibration procedure during a scan session.

The comparison of Fig. 11a, b for scan sets XI, XIV and XV suggests that some of the  $\sigma_{vis}$  variation from one bunch pair to the next is not statistical in nature, but rather correlated across bunch slots. The non-statistical component of this variation, i.e. the difference in quadrature between the RMS bunch-by-bunch variation of  $\sigma_{vis}$  within a given scan set and the average statistical uncertainty affecting a single-BCID  $\sigma_{vis}$  measurement, is taken as a systematic uncertainty in the calibration technique. The largest such difference across scan



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Fig. 11 Bunch-by-bunch  $\sigma_{vis}$  values measured in scan sets XI, XIV, and XV for the a LUCID\_EventOR and b BCMH\_EventOR algorithm. The *error bars* are statistical only. The *vertical lines* represent the weighted average over colliding-bunch pairs, separately for each scan

sets XI–XV, evaluated using the measured LUCID\_EventOR visible cross-section, amounts to 0.23%. The RMS bunchby-bunch fluctuation of the BCM cross-sections is, in all cases but one, slightly smaller than the corresponding bunchaveraged statistical uncertainty, indicating that the statistical sensitivity of the BCM algorithms is insufficient to provide a reliable estimate of this uncertainty; the LUCID result is therefore adopted as a measure of the  $\sigma_{\rm vis}$  bunch-by-bunch consistency.

#### 5.2.8 Scan-to-scan reproducibility

The reproducibility of the visible cross-sections across the selected November scan sets, as illustrated in Fig. 9a, is used as a measure of the residual inconsistencies potentially associated with imperfect correction procedures and unidentified sources of non-reproducibility. The largest such difference in visible cross-section between scan sets XI–XV, as reported by any of the BCM\_EventOR, LUCID\_EventOR or track-counting algorithms, amounts to  $\pm 0.31\%$ .

#### 5.3 Bunch-population product

The determination of this uncertainty ( $\pm 0.24\%$ ) is discussed in Sect. 4.10 and summarized in Table 4.

set. The *shaded band* indicates a ±0.4% variation from the average, which is the sum in quadrature of the systematic uncertainties associated with bunch-by-bunch and scan-to-scan  $\sigma_{\rm vis}$  consistency

#### 5.4 Summary of van der Meer calibration uncertainties

The systematic uncertainties affecting the November 2012 vdM calibration are summarized in Table 6; they apply equally to all vdM-calibrated luminosity algorithms. The statistical uncertainties, in contrast, are algorithm dependent (Table 5), but small by comparison.

The uncertainties affecting the April and July 2012 calibrations have not been evaluated in detail. Most of them would be of comparable magnitude to their November counterparts, except for additional sizeable contributions from the non-factorization effects and scan-to-scan inconsistencies discussed in Sect. 4.11.

# 6 Consistency of relative-luminosity measurements during physics running

The calibration of  $\overline{\sigma}_{vis}$  was performed at only a few points in time (Table 2), and at values of  $\mu$  low compared to the pile-up levels routinely encountered during physics operation (Fig. 12). In this section, the stability of the luminosity measurement over the 2012 high-luminosity data sample is characterized from two distinct viewpoints: time stability of the relative response of various luminosity algorithms across the entire running period (Sect. 6.1), and linearity of the calibrated luminosity values with respect to the actual pile-up parameter  $\mu$  (Sect. 6.2). The relative con-



Fig. 12 History of the peak bunch-averaged pile-up parameter  $\langle \mu \rangle$  during 2012, restricted to stable-beam periods

sistency across all available luminosity detectors and algorithms is used to assess the robustness of the results and to quantify systematic variations in the response of the various luminometers.

6.1 Relative stability of luminosity measurements over time

# 6.1.1 Consistency within individual luminometer subsystems

Figure 13a illustrates the internal consistency of the luminosity values reported by independent bunch-by-bunch algorithms during the 2012 running period, noise- and afterglowsubtracted as described in Sect. 4.4, then summed over all colliding bunches and integrated over the stable-beam period in each ATLAS run. In order to better illustrate their relative time evolution, these run-integrated luminosity ratios are shown *anchored*, i.e. normalized to the corresponding ratio in a high-luminosity run close in time to the November *vdM*-scan session.

During most of 2012, the ratio of the luminosity values reported by the horizontal and vertical pairs of BCM sensors is stable within a  $\pm 0.4\%$  envelope, with the notable exception of a sharp -0.6% step, lasting approximately one month, during which the BCM was affected by electronic noise (Sect. 4.4). While during physics operation the noise itself has a negligible impact on the measured luminosity, its onset was accompanied by step changes in the response of individual diamond sensors; similar efficiency shifts in the opposite direction were observed when the noise disappeared, a few days after the November *vdM* session.

The history of the luminosity ratio between the A and C arms of LUCID exhibits two distinct bands, each with a peak-to-peak scatter of up to  $\pm 0.8\%$  and separated by 1.5% on the

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average. The step change in late June 2012 is associated with turning off two PMTs in the C arm, which were drawing excessive current. To mitigate the impact of this operational change on the LUCID performance, the LUCID luminosity before (after) this step change is determined using the April (November) 2012 *vdM* calibrations.

While relative efficiency variations among individual BCM sensors, or between the two LUCID arms, can be monitored using such internal luminosity ratios, quantifying the associated shifts in their absolute calibration requires an external reference. This can be provided, for instance, by the calorimeter- or MPX-based hit-counting luminosity algorithms presented in Sect. 3.3. Among these, the best internal performance is offered by the EMEC and the TileCal: in the high-luminosity regime, both achieve an arm-to-arm consistency better than  $\pm 0.4\%$  across the 2012 running period (Fig. 13b). The two FCal arms display a relative drift of about 1% which is highly correlated among all channels in each arm. The run-to-run spread of the MPX luminosity ratios (Fig. 13c) lies in the 2% range.

While calorimeter algorithms lack sensitivity in the *vdM*calibration regime, the track-counting method can be absolutely calibrated with a precision comparable to that of the BCM and LUCID algorithms (Table 5). As demonstrated below, it also offers competitive precision for the runintegrated luminosity<sup>10</sup> during physics operation, thereby providing additional constraints on the performance of the other bunch-by-bunch algorithms.

Figure 14 displays the history of the luminosity reported by the two alternative track-counting working points introduced in Sect. 3.2, normalized to that from the default WP. In contrast to what is presented in Fig. 13, these ratios are not anchored, but directly reflect the relative response of the three algorithms as calibrated in the November 2012 vdMscan session. While the three working points are consistent within 0.2% at the very beginning of the 2012 running period (which corresponds to the April vdM-scan session), counting vertex-associated tracks results, during most of the year, in a luminosity value lower by about 1.3% compared to the other two WPs. Comparison with the history of the mean pile-up parameter (Fig. 12) suggests that this inconsistency is not time-related but  $\mu$ -dependent, as further discussed in Sect. 6.2.

#### 6.1.2 Consistency between luminometer subsystems

Figure 15 shows the ratio of the integrated luminosity per ATLAS run as measured by a variety of luminosity algo-

 $<sup>^{10}</sup>$  Except for vdM-scan sessions, track-counting-based luminosity measurements on shorter time scales (a few luminosity blocks), or on a bunch-by-bunch basis, are statistically limited by the available dataacquisition bandwidth.



Fig. 13 a History of the ratio of the integrated luminosities per run reported by the BCM inclusive–OR algorithms (BCMV\_EventOR/BCMH\_EventOR) and by the LUCID single-arm algorithms (LUCID\_EventA/LUCID\_EventC), during routine physics operation at high luminosity. b History of the ratio of the integrated luminosities per run reported by the A and C arms of the electromagnetic endcap (EMEC), hadronic (TileCal) and forward (FCal) calorimeters.

**c** History of the ratio of the integrated luminosities per run reported by five of the six individual MPX sensors, to that reported by the sixth sensor in the same run. In all figures, *each point* shows the ratio for a single run relative to that in a reference run taken on November 25, 2012 (LHC fill 3323). Statistical uncertainties are negligible. The *vertical arrows* indicate the time of the November 2012 *vdM* scan session

rithms, to that reported by the TileCal. Even though a systematic trend between the LAr and TileCal measurements is apparent, the calorimeter algorithms are consistent to better than  $\pm 0.7\%$ . The TileCal luminosity is consistent with that from the default track-counting algorithm to within  $\pm 0.4\%$  or less.

In contrast, both BCM and LUCID exhibit significant variations in response over the course of 2012, which vary from channel to channel and are attributed to, respectively, radiation-induced lattice defects and PMT aging. Among these, the BCMH\_EventOR algorithm exhibits the least severe deviation from its response at the time of the November *vdM*-scan session. Its long-term drift is, however, large enough to warrant a time-dependent response correction that

is based on one of the more stable relative-luminosity monitors shown in Fig. 15, and that is described in Sect. 7.3.2.

#### 6.2 $\mu$ dependence

As the pile-up response of a given luminosity algorithm is determined by the instrumental characteristics of the luminometer considered, the BCMH\_EventOR and BCMV\_ EventOR algorithms are expected to exhibit little  $\mu$ -dependence with respect to each other, even if both may be affected by a common non-linearity with respect to the actual instantaneous luminosity. The same applies to ratios of luminosity values reported independently by the A and C arms of FCal, EMEC, LUCID and TileCal.

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Fig. 14 History of the integrated-luminosity values reported by the two alternative track-counting methods, normalized to that from the default track selection, each as absolutely calibrated by the vdM method. Each point represents the mean over a single ATLAS run. The error bars reflect the systematic uncertainty associated with the simulation-based fake-track subtraction. No track-counting data are available prior to the first vdM-scan session (16 April 2012)

In contrast, the track-counting luminosities obtained using the three track selections defined in Sect. 3.2 exhibit a noticeable relative non-linearity (Fig. 16a). The pattern is consistent with that observed in Fig. 14. At very low  $\mu$ , the three working points are fully consistent, as expected from having been vdM-calibrated at  $\mu\,\sim$  0.5. As  $\mu$  increases, loosening the pixel-hole requirement on the selected tracks results, after fake-track subtraction, in a residual positive non-linearity of at most 0.7% in the reported  $\langle \mu \rangle$  value. In contrast, the vertex-associated track count exhibits, also after fake-track correction, a negative non-linearity with respect to the default WP, which peaks at -1.3% and then decreases in magnitude. Even though the simulation should account for the pile-up dependence of the fake-track fraction and of the track- and vertex-reconstruction efficiencies, it fails to explain the relative  $\mu$ -dependence observed in the data between the three track-counting selections. The onset of the discrepancies appears to lie in the range 2  $< \mu < 10$ . However, only very limited data, all from a single run with a small number of isolated bunches, are available in that  $\mu$  range, so that no firm conclusions can be drawn. A conservative approach is therefore adopted: the observed discrepancy between trackcounting WPs is used as a data-driven upper limit on a potential bias affecting the absolute track-based luminosity scale in the high- $\mu$  regime. The impact of this systematic uncertainty is discussed in Sect. 7.3.1.

In the absence of any absolute linearity reference, potential pile–up-dependent biases in the high- $\mu$  regime can be constrained by the relative  $\mu$ -dependence of the luminosity values reported by luminometers based on very different technologies (Fig. 16b). The relative non-linearity between the BCMH\_EventOR and the TileCal (the default track-

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counting) algorithm does not exceed  $\pm 0.3\%$  ( $\pm 0.5\%$ ) over the  $\langle \mu \rangle$  range accessible in this run; the root causes of the relative  $\mu$ -dependence between these three luminometers remain under investigation. An extensive analysis of the more severe LUCID non-linearity indicates that under typical physics operating conditions, the large currents drawn by the LUCID PMTs significantly distort their response.

The run-averaged pile-up parameter changes from one run to the next, because of variations both in the initial luminosity and in the duration of LHC fills. Therefore, the larger the relative  $\mu$ -dependence between two algorithms, the larger the fill-to-fill fluctuations in the ratio of the run-integrated luminosities reported by these two algorithms. This effect contributes significantly to the point-to-point scatter that is apparent in Fig. 15.

#### 7 Luminosity determination during physics running

To determine the integrated luminosity used in ATLAS physics analyses, a single bunch-by-bunch algorithm is selected as the baseline to provide the central value for a certain time range (Sect. 7.1). The corresponding *vdM*-calibrated luminosity values are first background-subtracted (Sect. 7.2), and then corrected for rate- and time-dependent biases that impact high-luminosity operation (Sect. 7.3). The consistency of the various ATLAS luminosity measurements after all corrections is quantified in Sect. 7.4, together with the associated systematic uncertainty.

#### 7.1 Baseline luminosity algorithm

The choice of algorithm is determined in part by the reproducibility and long-term stability of its absolute calibration. Figure 9 shows that in this respect, the BCMH\_EventOR and track-counting algorithms perform noticeably better than BCMV\_EventOR and LUCID. Studies of relative stability during physics running (Fig. 15) and of  $\mu$  dependence (Fig. 16b) lead to the same conclusion. As track counting is active only during stable-beam operation and is statistically marginal at the luminosity-block level, it is not suitable for use as a baseline algorithm, but it is retained as a reference method to assess systematic biases. The BCMH\_EventOR algorithm supplies the absolute luminosity during most of the 2012 running period; it is supplemented by the LUCID EventA algorithm during the few runs where the BCM is not available, and which represent less than 1% of the 2012 integrated luminosity.

#### 7.2 Background subtraction

During high-luminosity physics running, instrumental noise and single-beam backgrounds become negligible by com-



Fig. 15 History of the luminosity per run, compared to the value measured by TileCal, for **a** bunch-integrating, **b** BCM and track-counting, and **c** LUCID algorithms, during routine physics operation at high luminosity. *Each point* shows for a single run the mean deviation from a reference run taken on November 25, 2012 (LHC fill 3323). The EMEC, FCal and TileCal values are computed using the average of the luminosi-

MPX values reflect the average over the six sensors. The step in LUCID response is moderate thanks to the use of the April calibration for the LUCID data recorded before July. The *vertical arrows* indicate the time of the November *vdM* scan session

ties reported by the A and C arms of the corresponding calorimeter; the

parison to the luminosity; only afterglow remains as a significant background. With a 2012 bunch spacing of 50 ns and typically over 1000 colliding bunches, it reaches a fairly stable equilibrium after the first few bunches in a train. It is observed to scale with the instantaneous luminosity and typically amounts to 0.2–0.5% of the luminosity signal.

The bunch-by-bunch noise- and afterglow-subtraction procedure described in Sect. 4.4 is applied to all BCM and LUCID luminosity determinations. Since the afterglow level in the BCID immediately following a colliding-bunch slot may differ from that in the second BCID after this slot (i.e. in the next colliding-bunch slot), BCIDs at the end of a bunch train were used to evaluate a possible bias in the method. This study suggests that the subtraction over-corrects the BCMH\_EventOR luminosity by approximately 0.2%. A systematic uncertainty of  $\pm 0.2\%$  is therefore assigned to the afterglow correction.

#### 7.3 Corrections to the absolute calibration in the high-luminosity regime

Extrapolating the curves of Fig. 16b to very low  $\langle \mu \rangle$  suggests that for some algorithms, the *vdM*-based luminosity scale may not be directly applicable in the pile-up regime typical of physics operation. Percent-level corrections are indeed required (Sect. 7.3.1) to transfer, at one point in time, the absolute calibration of BCM and LUCID from the low-luminosity regime of *vdM* scans ( $\mu \sim 0.5$ ,  $\mathcal{L} \sim$ 



Fig. 16 a Ratio of the bunch-averaged pile-up parameter  $\langle \mu \rangle$  reported using different track-counting working points, to that from the default WP, as a function of the  $\langle \mu \rangle$  value obtained using the default WP. The data are averaged over all stable-beam runs. **b** Fractional deviation of the bunch-averaged pile-up parameter  $\langle \mu \rangle$ , obtained using different algorithms, from the TileCal value, as a function of  $\langle \mu \rangle_{TileCal}$ , during a physics run selected to cover the widest possible  $\langle \mu \rangle$  range. The data are normalized such that all algorithms yield the same integrated luminosity in the run considered

 $2 \times 10^{30} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$ ) to that of routine physics operation ( $\mu \sim 20$ –25,  $\mathcal{L} > 10^{33} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$ ). In addition, a time-dependent correction (Sect. 7.3.2) must be applied to the luminosity of the baseline algorithm to compensate for the long-term drifts apparent in Fig. 15.

# 7.3.1 Calibration transfer from the vdM regime to physics conditions

The history of the instantaneous-luminosity values reported during part of the November *vdM*-scan session by the trackcounting and LUCID\_EventA algorithms, relative to the BCMH\_EventOR algorithm and using the calibrations listed

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in Table 5, is presented in Fig. 17a. The ratio of the default track-counting (LUCID) luminosity integrated over several hours immediately before and after scan set XV, to that from the BCMH\_EventOR algorithm, is consistent with unity within 0.5% (0.4%). The run-integrated luminosity values associated, in that same fill, with the other two track selections (not shown) are consistent with the default track selection within less than one per mille.

However, at high luminosity these ratios differ from unity by several percent (Fig. 17b), with all BCM (LUCID) algorithms reporting a lower (higher) luminosity compared to the track-counting method. In addition, the vertex-associated track selection is no longer consistent with the other two, as discussed in Sect. 6.

To provide consistent luminosity measurements, all algorithms must be corrected to some common absolute scale in the high-luminosity regime. As calorimeter-based luminometers lack sensitivity in the vdM-scan regime, only track counting remains to quantify the relative shifts in response of the BCM and LUCID algorithms between the vdM-scan and high-luminosity regimes. First, the run-to-run fluctuations in Fig. 17b are smoothed by parameterizing the luminosity ratios as a linear function of the cumulative integratedluminosity fraction, used here as a proxy for calendar time. Then, for each BCM algorithm and for a given track selection, the difference between the fitted ratio in the highluminosity reference fill where the calibration transfer is performed (LHC fill 3323), and the corresponding runintegrated luminosity ratio under vdM conditions (LHC fill 3316), quantifies the shift in the BCM luminosity scale with respect to track counting. The same procedure is applied to LUCID

The results are summarized in Table 7 for the default track selection. The BCMH\_EventOR efficiency drops by 2.5% with respect to track counting. Naively extrapolating the relative  $\mu$ -dependence of these two algorithms from the high- $\mu$  regime (Fig. 16b) to  $\mu \sim 0.5$  predicts a shift of 1.3%, about half of the effect observed.<sup>11</sup> Similarly, the  $\mu$ -dependence of LUCID\_EventC predicts a 3% increase in response when going from the *vdM*-scan regime to the high-luminosity regime, while the measured step amounts to +3.9%. These observations suggest that while the measured relative  $\mu$ -dependence of the three algorithms is consistent with the signs of the calibration shifts and appears to account for a large fraction of their magnitude, other effects also play a role. For instance, studies of the CMS diamond sensors [34] suggest that the response of the BCM may depend on the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> Since the mechanisms driving the  $\mu$ -dependence are neither well characterized nor understood, and in the absence of sufficient data linking the  $\mu$  range in routine physics operation (Fig. 16b) to that in the *vdM*-scan regime ( $\mu \sim 0.5$ ), such an extrapolation is indicative only: it cannot be relied upon for a quantitative evaluation of the calibration-transfer correction.



Fig. 17 a History of the ratio of the instantaneous luminosity reported by the default track-counting and LUCID\_EventA algorithms to that from the BCMH\_EventOR algorithm under vdM-scan conditions, during LHC fill 3316. The gap corresponds to scan set XV. The error bars are statistical. b Evolution of the ratio of the integrated luminosity per run reported by the three track-counting algorithms to that from the BCMH\_EventOR and LUCID\_EventA algorithms, in the few weeks in late 2012 during which the BCM response is approximately constant, as a function of the cumulative delivered luminosity (normalized to the 2012 total). Each point shows the ratio for a single high-luminosity run. The dashed lines are straight-line fits to the data. The reference run (LHC fill 3323) took place the day following the November vdM-scan session, which is indicated by the star

total instantaneous collision rate (i.e. on the product of  $\langle \mu \rangle$ and the total number of colliding bunches) through a polarization mechanism associated with radiation-induced lattice defects.

The track-counting results lie between BCM and LUCID, and using the track scale as a proxy for the true scale is consistent to within 0.5% with taking the average scale from all the algorithms listed in Table 7. The choice of which track selection to use as reference is somewhat arbitrary. The default working point appears as the natural choice given that **Table 7** Measured fractional shift in luminosity scale between the *vdM*-scan regime (LHC fill 3316) and a nearby high-luminosity ATLAS run (LHC fill 3323), using the default track-counting algorithm as the reference. The errors shown are statistical only; they are dominated by track-counting statistics in the *vdM*-scan fill, and are therefore fully correlated across the four ratios

Luminosity algorithm	Calibration shift w.r.t. track counting (%)
BCMH_eventOR	$-2.5 \pm 0.1$
BCMV_eventOR	$-2.9\pm0.1$
LUCID_eventA	$+3.5\pm0.1$
LUCID_eventC	$+3.9 \pm 0.1$

it exhibits the smallest relative  $\mu$ -dependence with respect to TileCal, suffers from the smallest uncertainty arising from the simulation-based fake-track subtraction, and lies between the extremes of the three track selections.

The systematic uncertainty in the calibration-transfer corrections of Table 7 is estimated to be  $\pm 1.4\%$ . It is dominated by the 1.3% inconsistency (Figs. 16a, 17b) between the default and the vertex-associated track selections. Additional contributions arise from the small inconsistency between the BCM-based and track-based luminosity measurements during the *vdM*-scan fill (0.5%), from a small deadtime correction that affects the *vdM*-scan track-counting data only (0.2%), and from the track-counting statistics during the *vdM*-scan fill (0.1%). The slight integrated luminosity (or time) dependence of the BCM to track-counting luminosity ratio visible in Fig. 17b is accounted for as part of the long-term drift correction, discussed next.

#### 7.3.2 Long-term drift correction

The second step in transferring the vdM-based calibrations to an arbitrary high-luminosity physics run consists in correcting for the long-term drifts apparent in Fig. 15, using one of the more stable monitors (EMEC, FCal, TileCal or track counting) as a reference. The absolute luminosity scale of the selected reference monitor is first anchored to that of BCM (or LUCID) in the high-luminosity reference run where the calibration transfer is performed (LHC fill 3323). The runby-run luminosity ratio of the considered bunch-by-bunch algorithm to the chosen reference is then parameterized as a function of the cumulative integrated-luminosity fraction. This choice of variable, instead of calendar time, is inspired by (but not dependent upon) the assumption that detector aging increases smoothly with integrated radiation dose; it also simplifies the analysis by eliminating the gaps between running periods (Fig. 15). A two-segment, piece-wise linear fit is used to smooth the run-to-run fluctuations, with one segment covering the entire year except for the BCM



Fig. 18 History of the fractional difference in integrated luminosity per run a between the BCMH\_EventOR and the TileCal algorithm, and b between the BCMV\_EventOR and the default track-counting algorithm. *Each point* shows the mean difference for a single run compared to that in the reference run (LHC fill 3323) in which the calibration transfer is performed. The *lines* represent the fit discussed in the text. The *vertical arrow* indicates the time of the reference run

noise period, and the second, shorter segment accounting for the gain shift during that same noise period (Fig. 18). This empirical parameterization yields a satisfactory description of the entire data set. It provides a run-by-run correction to the instantaneous luminosity reported by each BCM or LUCID algorithm: a positive (negative) value of the fit function in a given ATLAS run results in a downwards (upwards) luminosity adjustment for every luminosity block in that run. This implies that the absolute luminosity scale in each LHC fill is effectively carried by the reference monitor, while the timeand BCID-dependence of the luminosity during that same fill continues to be provided by the bunch-by-bunch algorithm considered.

The net impact of this procedure on the integrated luminosity for the entire 2012 running period is documented in

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Table 8. The TileCal- and track-counting-based corrections are effectively indistinguishable; the former is chosen for the central value because of the slightly smaller run-to-run scatter of the BCM/TileCal luminosity ratio. The largest difference between reference monitors amounts to 0.3%, and reflects the relative slope between the FCal and TileCal algorithms in Fig. 15a. This value is taken as the systematic uncertainty in the long-term drift correction.

#### 7.4 Consistency of ATLAS luminosity measurements after all corrections

A global check of the consistency of the corrections described in Sects. 7.2 and 7.3 is provided by the comparison of the 2012 integrated-luminosity values reported by different bunch-by-bunch algorithms. For high-luminosity runs ( $\beta^* =$ 0.6 m and at least 1050 colliding bunches) under stable-beam conditions, after background subtraction, calibration transfer and long-term drift correction of the BCM and LUCID data, the integrated luminosity reported by BCMV\_EventOR agrees with that from the BCMH EventOR baseline within 0.01%. For the subset of such runs where both LUCID and BCM deliver valid luminosity data, which corresponds to about 91% of the 2012 integrated luminosity, both single-arm LUCID algorithms agree with the BCMH\_EventOR baseline within 0.5%. It should be stressed, however, that these BCMand LUCID-based luminosity determinations are correlated, because they were all drift-corrected to the same reference.

The internal consistency of the absolute luminosity measurements at  $\sqrt{s} = 8 \text{ TeV}$  in the high-luminosity regime is illustrated in Fig. 19. The run-to-run fluctuations reflect the combined impact of the relative  $\mu$ -dependence of the various algorithms, of imperfectly corrected medium-term drifts and of other sources of non-reproducibility. With the exception of some of the LUCID data, they remain within a  $\pm 0.5\%$  band, which provides a measure of the systematic uncertainty associated with the run-to-run consistency of independent luminosity measurements.

# 8 Total luminosity uncertainty for the 2012 pp run

Table 9 regroups the contributions to the total uncertainty in the luminosity values provided for physics analyses. The *vdM*-calibration uncertainties are detailed in Tables 5 and 6. The afterglow subtraction, the calibration transfer from the *vdM*-scan to the high-luminosity regime and the long-term drift correction applied to the bunch-by-bunch luminometers are described in Sects. 7.2, 7.3.1 and 7.3.2 respectively. The run-to-run consistency of the ATLAS luminosity measurements is assessed in Sect. 7.4. The resulting total uncertainty amounts to  $\pm 1.9\%$ . Table 8 Impact of the long-term drift correction on the 2012 integrated luminosity

Reference algorithm	Fractional change in integrated luminosity [%]			
	BCMH_EventOR	BCMV_EventOR	LUCID_EventA	LUCID_EventC
EMEC	-0.59	-1.26	-0.70	-0.49
FCal	-0.70	-1.36	-0.68	-0.52
TileCal	-0.44	-1.09	-0.54	-0.26
Track counting	-0.45	-1.12	-0.57	-0.34

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Fig. 19 History of the fractional difference in run-integrated luminosity between the TileCal algorithm and the drift-corrected **a** BCM and **b** LUCID and MPX algorithms. The results of the other possible reference monitors (EMEC, FCal and track counting) are taken from Fig. 15 and included here for comparison. *Each point* shows the mean difference for a single run compared to that in the reference fill indicated by the arrow. The *dashed horizontal lines* delimit a  $\pm 0.5\%$  window around zero

### 9 Summary

The ATLAS luminosity scale for the 2012 LHC run has been calibrated using data from dedicated beam-separation scans, also known as van der Meer scans. The vdM-calibration

Table 9 Relative uncertainty in the calibrated luminosity scale, broken

lowil by source		
Jncertainty source	$\delta \mathcal{L}/\mathcal{L}$ [%]	
an der Meer calibration	1.2	
Afterglow subtraction	0.2	
Calibration transfer from vdM-scan to high-luminosity regime	1.4	
long-term drift correction	0.3	
Run-to-run consistency	0.5	
Total	1.9	

uncertainty is smaller than for the 2011 data set [3], thanks to improved control of beam-dynamical effects (beam-beam deflections, dynamic  $\beta$ , non-factorization) and to a refined analysis of the non-reproducibility of beam conditions (orbit drift, emittance growth). The total systematic uncertainty in the delivered luminosity is no longer dominated by *vdM*-calibration uncertainties. The largest contribution arises from instrumental effects that require the transfer of the absolute luminosity scale from the low-rate *vdM*-scan regime to the high-luminosity conditions of routine physics operation; residual run-to-run and long-term inconsistencies between independent luminosity measurements also contribute significantly.

The combination of these systematic uncertainties results in a final uncertainty of  $\delta \mathcal{L}/\mathcal{L} = \pm 1.9\%$  in the luminosity measured by ATLAS during *pp* collisions at  $\sqrt{s} = 8$  TeV for the 22.7 fb<sup>-1</sup> of data delivered to ATLAS in 2012. This uncertainty applies to the high-luminosity data sample and any subset thereof, but not necessarily to a few special runs taken under very low pile-up conditions, such as those dedicated to elastic-scattering measurements: the latter require a separate analysis tailored to their specific experimental conditions.

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# Measurement of the muon reconstruction performance of the ATLAS detector using 2011 and 2012 LHC proton–proton collision data

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Abstract This paper presents the performance of the ATLAS muon reconstruction during the LHC run with pp collisions at  $\sqrt{s} = 7-8$  TeV in 2011–2012, focusing mainly on data collected in 2012. Measurements of the reconstruction efficiency and of the momentum scale and resolution, based on large reference samples of  $J/\psi \rightarrow \mu\mu$ ,  $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$ and  $\Upsilon \rightarrow \mu \mu$  decays, are presented and compared to Monte Carlo simulations. Corrections to the simulation, to be used in physics analysis, are provided. Over most of the covered phase space (muon  $|\eta|$  < 2.7 and 5  $\lesssim p_{\rm T} \lesssim$  100 GeV) the efficiency is above 99 % and is measured with per-mille precision. The momentum resolution ranges from 1.7 % at central rapidity and for transverse momentum  $p_T \simeq 10$  GeV, to 4 % at large rapidity and  $p_{\rm T}$   $\simeq$  100 GeV. The momentum scale is known with an uncertainty of 0.05 % to 0.2 % depending on rapidity. A method for the recovery of final state radiation from the muons is also presented.

# 1 Introduction

The efficient identification of muons and the accurate measurement of their momenta are two of the main features of the ATLAS detector [1] at the LHC. These characteristics are often crucial in physics analysis, as for example in precise measurements of Standard Model processes [2–4], in the discovery of the Higgs boson, in the determination of its mass [5,6], and in searches for physics beyond the Standard Model [7,8]. This publication presents the performance of the ATLAS muon reconstruction during the LHC run at  $\sqrt{s} = 7$ –8 TeV, focusing mainly on data collected in 2012. The performance of the ATLAS muon reconstruction has already been presented in a recent publication [9] based on 2010 data. The results presented here are based on an integrated luminosity  $\approx$ 500 times larger, which allows a large reduction of the uncertainties. The measurements of the efficiency, of the momentum scale and resolution are discussed with a particular emphasis on the comparison between data and Monte Carlo (MC) simulation, on the corrections used in the physics analyses and on the associated systematic uncertainties. Muons with very large transverse momentum,  $^1 p_T > 120$  GeV, are not treated here as they will be the subject of a forthcoming publication on the alignment of the ATLAS muon spectrometer and its high- $p_T$  performance.

This publication is structured as follows: Sect. 2 gives a short description of muon detection in ATLAS and Sect. 3 describes the real and simulated data samples used in the performance analysis. The measurement of the reconstruction efficiency is described in Sect. 4 while Sect. 5 reports the momentum scale and resolution. A method for including photons from final-state radiation in the reconstruction of the muon kinematics, is described in Sect. 6. Conclusions are given in Sect. 7.

# 2 Muon identification and reconstruction

A detailed description of the ATLAS detector can be found elsewhere [1]. The ATLAS experiment uses the information from the muon spectrometer (MS) and from the inner detector (ID) and, to a lesser extent, from the calorimeter, to identify and precisely reconstruct muons produced in the *pp* collisions.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> ATLAS uses a right-handed coordinate system with its origin at the nominal interaction point (IP) in the centre of the detector and the *z*-axis along the beam pipe. The *x*-axis points from the IP to the centre of the LHC ring, and the *y*-axis points upward. Cylindrical coordinates (*r*,  $\phi$ ) are used in the transverse plane,  $\phi$  being the azimuthal angle around the beam pipe. The pseudorapidity and the transverse momentum are defined in terms of the polar angle  $\theta$  as  $\eta = -\ln \tan(\theta/2)$  and  $p_T = p \sin \theta$ , respectively. The  $\eta - \phi$  distance between two particles is defined as  $\Delta R = \sqrt{\Delta \eta^2 + \Delta \phi^2}$ .

The MS is the outermost of the ATLAS sub-detectors: it is designed to detect charged particles in the pseudorapidity region up to  $|\eta| = 2.7$ , and to provide momentum measurement with a relative resolution better than 3 % over a wide  $p_{\rm T}$ range and up to 10 % at  $p_{\rm T} \approx$  1 TeV. The MS consists of one barrel part (for  $|\eta| < 1.05$ ) and two end-cap sections. A system of three large superconducting air-core toroid magnets provides a magnetic field with a bending integral of about 2.5 Tm in the barrel and up to 6 Tm in the end-caps. Triggering and  $\eta$ ,  $\phi$  position measurements, with typical spatial resolution of 5-10 mm, are provided by the Resistive Plate Chambers (RPC, three doublet layers for  $|\eta| < 1.05$ ) and by the Thin Gap Chambers (TGC, three triplet and doublet layers for  $1.0 < |\eta| < 2.4$ ). Precise muon momentum measurement is possible up to  $|\eta| = 2.7$  and it is provided by three layers of Monitored Drift Tube Chambers (MDT), each chamber providing six to eight n measurements along the muon track. For  $|\eta| > 2$  the inner layer is instrumented with a quadruplet of Cathode Strip Chambers (CSC) instead of MDTs. The single hit resolution in the bending plane for the MDT and the CSC is about 80  $\mu m$  and 60  $\mu m$ , respectively. Tracks in the MS are reconstructed in two steps: first local track segments are sought within each layer of chambers and then local track segments from different layers are combined into full MS tracks.

The ID provides an independent measurement of the muon track close to the interaction point. It consists of three subdetectors: the Silicon Pixels and the Semi-Conductor Tracker (SCT) detectors for  $|\eta| < 2.5$  and the Transition Radiation Tracker (TRT) covering  $|\eta| < 2.0$ . They provide high-resolution coordinate measurements for track reconstruction inside an axial magnetic field of 2 T. A track in the barrel region has typically 3 Pixel hits, 8 SCT hits, and approximately 30 TRT hits.

The material between the interaction point and the MS ranges approximately from 100 to 190 radiation lengths, depending on  $\eta$ , and consists mostly of calorimeters. The sampling liquid-argon (LAr) electromagnetic calorimeter covers  $|\eta| < 3.2$  and is surrounded by hadronic calorimeters based on iron and scintillator tiles for  $|\eta| \lesssim 1.5$  and on LAr for larger values of  $|\eta|$ .

Muon identification is performed according to several reconstruction criteria (leading to different muon "types"), according to the available information from the ID, the MS, and the calorimeter sub-detector systems. The different types are:

- Stand-Alone (SA) muons: the muon trajectory is reconstructed only in the MS. The parameters of the muon track at the interaction point are determined by extrapolating the track back to the point of closest approach to the beam line, taking into account the estimated energy loss of the muon in the calorimeters. In general the muon has to traverse at least two layers of MS chambers to provide a track measurement. SA muons are mainly used to extend the acceptance to the range  $2.5 < |\eta| < 2.7$  which is not covered by the ID;

- Combined (CB) muon: track reconstruction is performed independently in the ID and MS, and a combined track is formed from the successful combination of a MS track with an ID track. This is the main type of reconstructed muons;
- Segment-tagged (ST) muons: a track in the ID is classified as a muon if, once extrapolated to the MS, it is associated with at least one local track segment in the MDT or CSC chambers. ST muons can be used to increase the acceptance in cases in which the muon crossed only one layer of MS chambers, either because of its low p<sub>T</sub> or because it falls in regions with reduced MS acceptance;
- Calorimeter-tagged (CaloTag) muons: a track in the ID is identified as a muon if it could be associated to an energy deposit in the calorimeter compatible with a minimum ionizing particle. This type has the lowest purity of all the muon types but it recovers acceptance in the uninstrumented regions of the MS. The identification criteria of this muon type are optimized for a region of  $|\eta| < 0.1$  and a momentum range of  $25 \lesssim p_T \lesssim 100$  GeV.

CB candidates have the highest muon purity. The reconstruction of tracks in the spectrometer, and as a consequence the SA and CB muons, is affected by acceptance losses mainly in two regions: at  $\eta \approx 0$ , where the MS is only partially equipped with muon chambers in order to provide space for the services for the ID and the calorimeters, and in the region  $(1.1 < \eta < 1.3)$  between the barrel and the positive  $\eta$  end-cap, where there are regions in  $\phi$  with only one layer of chambers traversed by muons in the MS, due to the fact that some of the chambers of that region were not yet installed.<sup>2</sup>

The reconstruction of the SA, CB and ST muons (all using the MS information) has been performed using two independent reconstruction software packages, implementing different strategies [10] (named "Chains") both for the reconstruction of muons in the MS and for the ID-MS combination. For the ID-MS combination, the first chain ("Chain 1") performs a statistical combination of the track parameters of the SA and ID muon tracks using the corresponding covariance matrices. The second ("Chain 2") performs a global refit of the muon track using the hits from both the ID and MS sub-detectors. The use of two independent codes provided redundancy and robustness in the ATLAS commissioning phase. A unified reconstruction programme ("Chain 3") has been developed to incorporate the best features of the two chains and has been used, in parallel to the other two, for the reconstruction

 $<sup>^2</sup>$  The installation of all the muon chambers in this region has been completed during the 2013–2014 LHC shutdown.

of 2012 data. It is planned to use only Chain 3 for future data taking. So far, the first two chains were used in all ATLAS publications. As the three chains have similar performance, only results for "Chain 1" are shown in the present publication. A summary of the results for the other two chains is reported in Appendix A.

The following quality requirements are applied to the ID tracks used for CB, ST or CaloTag muons:

- at least 1 Pixel hit;
- at least 5 SCT hits;
- at most 2 active Pixel or SCT sensors traversed by the track but without hits;
- in the region of full TRT acceptance,  $0.1 < |\eta| < 1.9$ , at least 9 TRT hits.

The number of hits required in the first two points is reduced by one if the track traverses a sensor known to be inefficient according to a time-dependent database. The above requirements are dropped in the region  $|\eta| > 2.5$ , where short ID track segments can be matched to SA muons to form a CB muon.

#### 3 Data and Monte Carlo samples

#### 3.1 Data samples

The results presented in this article are mostly obtained from the analysis of  $\sqrt{s} = 8$  TeV pp collision events corresponding to an integrated luminosity of 20.3 fb<sup>-1</sup> collected by the ATLAS detector in 2012. Results from pp collisions at  $\sqrt{s} = 7$  TeV, collected in 2011, are presented in Appendix B. Events are accepted only if the ID, the MS and the calorimeter detectors were operational and both solenoid and toroid magnet systems were on.

The online event selection was performed by a threelevel trigger system described in Ref. [11]. The performance of the ATLAS muon trigger during the 2012 data taking period is reported in Ref. [12]. The  $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$  candidates have been selected online by requiring at least one muon candidate with  $p_{\rm T}$  > 24 GeV, isolated from other activity in the ID. The  $J/\psi \rightarrow \mu\mu$  and the  $\Upsilon \rightarrow \mu\mu$  samples used for momentum scale and resolution studies have been selected online with two dedicated dimuon triggers that require two opposite-charge muons compatible with the same vertex, with transverse momentum  $p_{\rm T}$  > 6 GeV, and the dimuon invariant mass in the range 2.5–4.5 GeV for the  $J/\psi$ and 8–11 GeV for the  $\Upsilon$  trigger. The  $J/\psi \rightarrow \mu\mu$  sample used for the efficiency measurement was instead selected using a mix of single-muon triggers and a dedicated trigger requiring a muon with  $p_{\rm T} > 6$  GeV and an ID track with  $p_{\rm T}$  > 3.5 GeV, such that the invariant mass of the muon+track pair, under a muon mass hypothesis, is in the window 2.7–3.5 GeV. This dedicated trigger operated during the whole data taking period with a prescaled rate of  $\approx$ 1 Hz.

### 3.2 Monte Carlo samples

Monte Carlo samples for the process  $pp \rightarrow (Z/\gamma^*)X \rightarrow \mu^+\mu^-X$ , called  $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$  in the following, were generated using POWHEG [13] interfaced to PYTHIA8 [14]. The CT10 [15] parton density functions (PDFs) have been used. The PHOTOS [16] package has been used to simulate final state photon radiation (FSR), using the exponentiated mode that leads to multi-photon emission taking into account  $\gamma^*$  interference in *Z* decays. To improve the description of the dimuon invariant mass distribution, the generated lineshape was reweighted using an improved Born approximation with a running-width definition of the *Z* lineshape parameters. The ALPGEN [17] generator, interfaced with PYTHIA6 [18], was also used to generate alternative  $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$  samples.

Samples of prompt  $J/\psi \rightarrow \mu\mu$  and of  $\Upsilon \rightarrow \mu\mu$  were generated using PYTHIA8, complemented with PHOTOS to simulate the effects of final state radiation. The samples were generated requiring each muon to have  $p_{\rm T} > 6.5(6)$  GeV for  $J/\psi$  ( $\Upsilon$ ). The  $J/\psi$  distribution in rapidity and transverse momentum has been reweighted in the simulated samples to match the distribution observed in the data. The samples used for the simulation of the backgrounds to  $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$  are described in detail in [19], they include  $Z \rightarrow \tau\tau$ ,  $W \rightarrow \mu\nu$  and  $W \rightarrow \tau\nu$ , generated with POWHEG, WW, ZZ and WZ generated with SHERPA [20],  $t\bar{t}$  samples generated with PYTHIA6.

All the generated samples were passed through the simulation of the ATLAS detector based on GEANT4 [22,23] and were reconstructed with the same programs used for the data. The ID and the MS were simulated with an ideal geometry without any misalignment. To emulate the effect of the misalignments of the MS chambers in real data, the reconstruction of the muon tracks in the simulated samples was performed using a random set of MS alignment constants. The amount of random smearing applied to these alignment constants was derived from an early assessment of the precision of the alignment, performed with special runs in which the toroidal magnetic field was off. The knowledge of the alignment constants improved with time. In particular the alignment constants used for the reconstruction of the data were more precise than those used to define the random smearing applied in the simulation, resulting in some cases in a worse MS resolution in MC than in data.

#### 4 Efficiency

The availability of two independent detectors to reconstruct the muons (the ID and the MS) enables a precise determination of the muon reconstruction efficiency in the region  $|\eta| < 2.5$ . This is obtained with the so called tag-and-probe method described in the next section. A different methodology, described in Sect. 4.2, is used in the region  $2.5 < |\eta| <$ 2.7 in which only one detector (the MS) is available.

#### 4.1 Muon reconstruction efficiency in the region $|\eta| < 2.5$

The tag-and-probe method is employed to measure the reconstruction efficiencies of all muon types within the acceptance of the ID ( $|\eta| < 2.5$ ). The conditional probability that a muon reconstructed by the ID is also reconstructed using the MS as a particular muon type, *P*(Type|ID), with Type = (CB, ST), can be measured using ID probes. Conversely, the conditional probability that a muon reconstructed by the MS is also reconstructed in the ID, *P*(ID|MS), is measured using MS tracks as probes.

For each muon type, the total reconstruction efficiency is given by:

$$\varepsilon(\text{Type}) = \varepsilon(\text{Type}|\text{ID}) \cdot \varepsilon(\text{ID}), \tag{1}$$

where  $\varepsilon$ (ID) is the probability that a muon is reconstructed as an ID track. The quantity  $\varepsilon$ (ID) cannot be measured directly and is replaced by  $\varepsilon$ (ID|MS) to give the tag-andprobe approximation:

$$\varepsilon$$
(Type)  $\simeq \varepsilon$ (Type|ID)  $\cdot \varepsilon$ (ID|MS). (2)

The level of agreement of the measured efficiency,  $\varepsilon^{\text{Data}}$  (Type), with the efficiency measured with the same method in MC,  $\varepsilon^{\text{MC}}$  (Type), is expressed as the ratio between these two numbers, called "efficiency scale factor" or SF:

$$SF = \frac{\varepsilon^{\text{Data}}(\text{Type})}{\varepsilon^{\text{MC}}(\text{Type})}.$$
(3)

Possible biases introduced by the tag-and-probe approximation and other systematic effects on the efficiency measurement, which appear both in data and in MC, cancel in the SF. The SF is therefore used to correct the simulation in physics analysis.

#### 4.1.1 The tag-and-probe method with $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$ events

For  $Z \to \mu \mu$  decays, events are selected by requiring two oppositely charged isolated muons<sup>3</sup> with transverse

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momenta of at least  $p_T > 25$  and 10 GeV respectively and a dimuon invariant mass within 10 GeV of the Z-boson mass. The muons are required to be back to back in the transverse plane ( $\Delta \phi > 2$ ). One of the muons is required to be a CB muon, and to have triggered the readout of the event. This muon is called the "tag". The other muon, the so-called "probe", is required to be a MS track (i.e. a SA or a CB muon) when  $\varepsilon$  (ID|MS) is to be measured. The probe is required to be a CaloTag muon for the measurement of  $\varepsilon$  (Type|ID). The use of CaloTag muons as the ID probes reduces the background in the  $Z \rightarrow \mu \mu$  sample by an order of magnitude without biasing the efficiency measurement. The MS probes are also used to measure the efficiency of CaloTag muons. After selecting all tag-probe pairs, an attempt is made to match the probe to a reconstructed muon: a match is successful when the muon and the probe are close in the  $\eta - \phi$  plane ( $\Delta R < 0.01$  for CaloTag probes to be matched with CB or ST muons and  $\Delta R < 0.05$  for MS probes to be matched to ID or CaloTag muons).

#### 4.1.2 Background treatment in $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$ events

Apart from  $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$  events, a small fraction of the selected tag-probe pairs may come from other sources. For a precise efficiency measurement, these backgrounds have to be estimated and subtracted. Contributions from  $Z \rightarrow \tau\tau$  and  $t\bar{t}$  decays are estimated using MC simulation. Additionally, QCD multijet events and  $W \rightarrow \mu\nu$  decays in association with jet activity (W+jets) can yield tag-probe pairs through secondary muons from heavy- or light-hadron decays. As these backgrounds are approximately charge-symmetric, they are estimated from the data using same-charge (SC) tag-probe pairs. This leads to the following estimate of the opposite charge (OC) background for each region of the kinematic phase-space:

$$N(\text{Bkg}) = N_{\text{OC}}^{Z,t\bar{t}\,\text{MC}} + T \cdot (N_{\text{SC}}^{\text{Data}} - N_{\text{SC}}^{Z,t\bar{t}\,\text{MC}})$$
(4)

where  $N_{OC}^{Z,t\bar{t}\,MC}$  is the contribution from  $Z \rightarrow \tau\tau$  and  $t\bar{t}$  decays,  $N_{SC}^{Data}$  is the number of SC pairs measured in data and  $N_{SC}^{Z,t\bar{t}\,MC}$  is the estimated contribution of the  $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu, Z \rightarrow \tau\tau$  and  $t\bar{t}$  processes to the SC sample. *T* is a global transfer factor that takes into account the residual charge asymmetry of the QCD multijet and W+jets samples, estimated using the simulation:

$$T = 1 + \theta; \qquad \theta = \frac{N_{\rm OC}^{\rm QCD+W\,MC} - N_{\rm SC}^{\rm QCD+W\,MC}}{N_{\rm SC}^{\rm Data}}.$$
 (5)

For the kinematic region covered by the measurement, the transfer factor is T = 1.15 for CaloTag probes. For the MS probes the misidentification rate is low and the residual QCD

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Here a muon is considered to be isolated when the sum of the momenta of the other tracks with  $p_{\rm T} > 1~{\rm GeV}$  in a cone of  $\Delta R = 0.4$  around the muon track is less than 0.15 times the muon momentum itself. Different cone sizes and cuts on the momentum fraction are used in other parts of this paper.

multijet background has a large contribution from oppositely charged muon pairs in  $b\bar{b}$  decays, leading to T = 2.6. The efficiency for finding a muon of type A given a probe of type B, corrected for the effect of background, can then be computed as:

$$\varepsilon(\mathbf{A}|\mathbf{B}) = \frac{N_{\text{Probes}}^{\text{Match}}(\text{Data}) - N_{\text{Probes}}^{\text{Match}}(\text{Bkg})}{N_{\text{Probes}}^{\text{All}}(\text{Data}) - N_{\text{Probes}}^{\text{All}}(\text{Bkg})},$$
(6)

where  $N_{\text{Probes}}^{\text{All}}$  stands for the total number of probes considered and  $N_{\text{Probes}}^{\text{Match}}$  is the number of probes successfully matched to a reconstructed muon of type A. According to the background estimate reported above, the sample of selected CaloTag probes is more than 99.5 % pure in  $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$  decays, as shown in Fig. 1. The  $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$  purity is maximal for muon  $p_T \simeq 40$  GeV and decreases to 98.5 % (97 %) for  $p_T = 10 (100)$  GeV. The  $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$  purity has a weak dependence on the average number of inelastic  $p_P$  interactions per bunch crossing,  $\langle \mu \rangle$ , decreasing from 99.8 % at  $\langle \mu \rangle = 10$  to 99.5 % at  $\langle \mu \rangle = 34$ . A purity above 99.8 % is obtained in the selection of MS probes, with weaker dependence on  $p_T$  and  $\langle \mu \rangle$ .

## 4.1.3 Low $p_T$ efficiencies from $J/\psi \rightarrow \mu\mu$ decays

The efficiencies extracted from  $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$  decays are complemented at low  $p_{\rm T}$  with results derived from a sample of  $J/\psi \rightarrow \mu\mu$  events. In 2012 ATLAS collected approximately 2M  $J/\psi \rightarrow \mu\mu$  decays which were not biased by dimuon triggers requirements, using a combination of single muon triggers (isolated and non-isolated) and the dedicated "muon + track" trigger described in Sect. 3.1.

The analysis proceeds in a similar manner to the  $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$ with some modifications due to the different kinematics of the  $J/\psi$ . Tags are required to be CB muons with  $p_{\rm T} > 4 \,{\rm GeV}$ and  $|\eta| < 2.5$ . As with the Z, the tag must have triggered the read-out of the event. Probes are sought from amongst the ID tracks and must have  $p_{\rm T}$  > 2.5 GeV and  $|\eta|$  < 2.5, opposite charge to the tag muon, and must form with the tag an invariant mass in the window 2.7-3.5 GeV. Finally the tag-probe pairs must fit to a common vertex with a very loose quality cut of  $\chi^2$  < 200 for one degree of freedom, which removes tracks from different vertices, without any significant efficiency loss. Muon reconstruction efficiencies are then derived by binning in small cells of  $p_{\rm T}$  and  $\eta$  of the probe tracks. Invariant mass distributions are built in each cell for two samples: (a) all tag-probe pairs and (b) tag-probe pairs in which the probe failed to be reconstructed in the MS. The invariant mass distributions are fitted with a signal plus background model to obtain the number of  $J/\psi$  signal events in the two samples, called  $N_a(p_T, \eta)$  and  $N_b(p_T, \eta)$ , respectively. The fit model is a Gaussian plus a second order polynomial for the background. The two samples are fitted simul-



Fig. 1 Pseudorapidity distribution of the CaloTag (*top*) or MS (*bottom*) probes used in the tag-and-probe analysis. The *bottom panel* shows the ratio between observed and expected counts. The sum of the MC samples is normalized to the number of events in the data. The *green band* represents the statistical uncertainty

taneously using the same mean and width to describe the signal. The MS reconstruction efficiency in a given  $(p_T, \eta)$  cell is then defined as:

$$\varepsilon_{p_{\mathrm{T},\eta}}(\mathrm{Type}|\mathrm{ID}) = 1 - \frac{N_b(p_{\mathrm{T}},\eta)}{N_a(p_{\mathrm{T}},\eta)}.$$
(7)

The largest contribution to the systematic uncertainty originates from the model used in the fit. This uncertainty was estimated by changing the background model to a first or a third order polynomial and by relaxing the constraint that the mass and the width of the  $J/\psi$  signal are the same between the two samples. The resulting variations in the efficiency are added in quadrature to the statistical uncertainty to give the total uncertainty on the efficiency. The efficiency integrated over the full  $\eta$  region is obtained as an average of the efficiencies of the different  $\eta$  cells. This method ensures a reduced dependency on local variations of background

and resolution, and on the kinematic distribution of the probes.

#### 4.1.4 Systematic uncertainties

The main contributions to the systematic uncertainty on the measurement of the efficiency SFs are shown in Fig. 2, as a function of  $\eta$  and  $p_{\rm T}$ , and are discussed below (the labels in parenthesis refer to the legend of Fig. 2):

- (Bkg) the uncertainty on the data-driven background estimate is evaluated by varying the charge-asymmetry parameter  $\theta$  of Eq. (5) by  $\pm 100\%$ . This results in an uncertainty of the efficiency measurement below 0.1% in a large momentum range, reaching up to 0.2% for low muon momenta where the contribution of the background is most significant.
- (dR) the choice of the cone size used for matching reconstructed muons to probe objects has been optimized to minimize the amount of matches with wrong tracks while keeping the maximum match efficiency for correct tracks. A systematic uncertainty is evaluated by varying the cone size by ±50 %. This yields an uncertainty of ≈0.1 %.
- (TP approximation) possible biases in the tag-and-probe method, for example due to different distributions between MS probes and "true" muons or due to correlation between ID and MS efficiencies, are investigated. The simulation is used to compare the efficiency measured with the tag-andprobe method with the "true" MC efficiency calculated as the fraction of generator-level muons that are successfully reconstructed. Agreement within less than 0.1% is observed, with the exception of the region  $|\eta| < 0.1$ . In the extraction of the data/MC scale factors, the difference between the measured and the "true" efficiency cancels to first order. To take into account possible imperfection of the simulation, half the observed difference is used as an additional systematic uncertainty on the SF.
- (Probes) the scale factor maps may be sensitive to disagreements between data and simulation in the kinematic distributions of the probes. The corresponding systematic uncertainty is estimated by reweighting the distribution of the probes in the simulation to bring it into agreement with the data. The resulting effect on the efficiency is below 0.1% over most of the phase space.
- (Low  $p_{\rm T}$ ) for 4 <  $p_{\rm T}$  < 10 GeV the systematic uncertainties are obtained from the analysis performed with the  $J/\psi \rightarrow \mu\mu$  sample, as discussed in Sect. 4.1.3 (not shown in Fig. 2). The resulting uncertainty on the low- $p_{\rm T}$  SFs ranges between 0.5 % and 2 %, depending on  $p_{\rm T}$  and  $\eta$ and is dominated by the uncertainty on the background model.
- (High p<sub>T</sub>) no significant dependence of the measured SFs with p<sub>T</sub> was observed in the momentum range considered.

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**Fig. 2** Systematic uncertainty on the efficiency scale factor for CB+ST muons, obtained from  $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$  data, as a function of  $\eta$  (*top*) and  $p_{\rm T}$  (*bottom*) for muons with  $p_{\rm T} > 10$  GeV. The background systematic uncertainty in the last two bins of the *bottom plot* is affected by a large statistical uncertainty. The combined systematic uncertainty is the sum in quadrature of the individual contributions

60

80

100

120

p<sub>\_</sub> [GeV]

An upper limit on the SF variation for large muon momenta has been extracted by using a MC simulation with built-in imperfections, including a realistic residual misalignment of the detector components or a 10 % variation of the muon energy loss. On the basis of this, a systematic uncertainty of  $\pm 0.42 \% \times (p_T/1 \text{ TeV})$  is obtained.

## 4.1.5 Results

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Figure 3 shows the muon reconstruction efficiency  $\varepsilon$ (Type) as a function of  $\eta$  as measured from  $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$  events. The combination of all the muon reconstruction types (for CB, ST, and CaloTag muons) gives a uniform muon reconstruction efficiency of about 99 % over most the detector regions. The use of ST muons allows the recovery of efficiency especially in the region 1.1 <  $\eta$  < 1.3 (from 85 % to 99 %) in which



Fig. 3 Muon reconstruction efficiency as a function of  $\eta$  measured in  $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$  events for muons with  $p_T > 10$  GeV and different muon reconstruction types. CaloTag muons are only shown in the region  $|\eta| < 0.1$ , where they are used in physics analyses. The *error bars* on the efficiencies indicate the statistical uncertainty. The *panel at the bottom* shows the ratio between the measured and predicted efficiencies. The *error bars* on the ratios are the combination of statistical and systematic uncertainties

part of the MS chambers were not installed, as discussed in Sect. 2. The remaining inefficiency of the combination of CB or ST muons (CB+ST) at  $|\eta| < 0.1$  (66%) is almost fully recovered by the use of CaloTag muons (97%).

The efficiencies measured in experimental and simulated data are in good agreement, in general well within 1 %. The largest differences are observed in the CB muons. To reconstruct an MS track, the Chain 1 reconstruction requires track segments in at least two layers of precision chambers (MDT or CSC) and at least one measurement of the  $\phi$  coordinate from trigger chambers (RPC or TGC). These requirements introduce some dependency on detector conditions and on the details of the simulation in the regions in which only two layers of precision chambers or only one layer of trigger chambers are crossed by the muons. This results in a reduction of efficiency in data with respect to MC of approximately 1 % in the region of  $\eta\sim 0.5$  due the RPC detector conditions and to local deviations up to about 2 % at  $0.9 < |\eta| < 1.3$  related to imperfections in the simulation of the barrel-endcap transition region. For the CB+ST muons the agreement between data and MC is very good, with the only exception of a lowefficiency region in data at  $\eta = 0.3-0.4$  related to an inactive portion of an MDT chamber (not included in MC) in a region with reduced coverage due to the supporting structure of the ATLAS detector.4

The ID muon reconstruction efficiency,  $\varepsilon$ (ID|MS), for  $p_T > 10 \text{ GeV}$  as a function of  $\eta$  and  $p_T$  is shown in Fig. 4. The efficiency is greater than 0.99 and there is very good agree-





**Fig. 4** ID muon reconstruction efficiency as a function of  $\eta$  (*top*) and  $p_{\rm T}$  (*bottom*) measured in  $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$  events for muons with  $p_{\rm T} > 10$  GeV. The *error bars* on the efficiencies indicate the statistical uncertainty. The *panel at the bottom* shows the ratio between the measured and predicted efficiencies. The *green areas* depict the pure statistical uncertainty, while the *orange areas* also include systematic uncertainties.

ment between data and MC. The small efficiency reduction in the region  $1.5 < \eta < 2$  is related to temporary hardware problems in the silicon detectors. The larger uncertainty at  $|\eta| < 0.1$  is related to the limited MS coverage in that region.

Figure 5 shows the reconstruction efficiencies for CB and for CB+ST muons as a function of the transverse momentum, including results from  $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$  and  $J/\psi \rightarrow \mu\mu$ . A steep increase of the efficiency is observed at low  $p_{\rm T}$ , in particular for the CB reconstruction, since a minimum momentum of approximately 3 GeV is required for a muon to traverse the calorimeter material and cross at least two layers of MS stations before being bent back by the magnetic field. Above  $p_{\rm T} \approx 20$  GeV, the reconstruction efficiency for both CB and CB+ST muons is expected to be independent of the transverse momentum. This is confirmed within 0.5 % by the  $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$  data. The drop in efficiency observed in the  $J/\psi$ data at  $p_{\rm T} > 15$  GeV is due to the inefficiency of the MS

 $<sup>\</sup>overline{}^{4}$  This effect is also visible in Fig. 9 at  $\phi \simeq -1$ .



**Fig. 5** Reconstruction efficiency for CB (*top*), CB+ST (*middle*) and CaloTag (*bottom*) muons as a function of the  $p_T$  of the muon, for muons with  $0.1 < |\eta| < 2.5$  for CB and CB+ST muons and for  $|\eta| < 0.1$  for CaloTag muons. The *upper two* plots also show the result obtained with  $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$  and  $J/\psi \rightarrow \mu\mu$  events. The *insets on the upper plots* show the detail of the efficiency as a function of  $p_T$  in the low  $p_T$  region. The CaloTag muon efficiency (*bottom*) is only measured with  $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$  events. The *error bars* on the efficiencies indicate the statistical uncertainty for  $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$  and include also the fit model uncertainty for  $J/\psi \rightarrow \mu\mu$ . The *panel at the bottom* shows the ratio between the measured and predicted efficiencies. The *green areas* show the pure statistical uncertainty, while the *orange areas* also include systematic uncertainties

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**Fig. 6** Measured CB+ST muon reconstruction efficiency for muons with  $p_T > 10$  GeV as a function of the average number of inelastic *pp* collisions per bunch crossing  $\langle \mu \rangle$ . The *error bars* on the efficiencies indicate the statistical uncertainty. The *panel at the bottom* shows the ratio between the measured and predicted efficiencies. The *green areas* depict the pure statistical uncertainty, while the *orange areas* also include systematic uncertainties

reconstruction for muon pairs with small angular separation as in the case of highly boosted  $J/\psi$ . This effect is well reproduced by MC and the SF of the  $J/\psi \rightarrow \mu\mu$  analysis are in good agreement with those from  $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$  in the overlap region. The CaloTag muon efficiency reaches a plateau of approximately 0.97 above  $p_T \gtrsim 30$  GeV, where it is well predicted by the MC.

Figure 6 shows the reconstruction efficiency for CB+ST muons as a function of  $\langle \mu \rangle$ , showing a high value (on average above 0.99) and remarkable stability. A small efficiency drop of about 1% is only observed for  $\langle \mu \rangle \gtrsim 35$ . This is mainly caused by limitations of the MDT readout electronics in the high-rate regions close to the beam lines. These limitations are being addressed in view of the next LHC run.

## 4.2 Muon reconstruction efficiency for $|\eta| > 2.5$

As described in the previous sections, the CB muon reconstruction is limited by the ID acceptance which covers the pseudo-rapidity region  $|\eta| < 2.5$ . Above  $|\eta| = 2.5$ , SA muons are the only muon type that provides large efficiency. A measurement of the efficiency SF for muons in the range  $2.5 < |\eta| < 2.7$ , hereafter called high- $\eta$ , is needed for the physics analyses that exploit the full MS acceptance.

A comparison with the Standard Model calculations for  $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$  events is used to measure the reconstruction efficiency SF in the high- $\eta$  region. To reduce the theoretical and experimental uncertainties, the efficiency SF is calculated from the double ratio

er.	$\frac{N^{\text{Data}}(2.5 <  \eta_{\text{fwd}}  < 2.7)}{N^{\text{MC}}(2.5 <  \eta_{\text{fwd}}  < 2.7)}$	(9)
5г =	$\frac{N^{\text{Data}}(2.2 <  \eta_{\text{fwd}}  < 2.5)}{N^{\text{MC}}(2.2 <  \eta_{\text{rwd}}  < 2.5)},$	(8)

where the numerator is the ratio of the number of  $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$ candidates in data and in MC for which one of the muons, called the *forward* muon, is required to be in the high- $\eta$  region  $2.5 < |\eta_{fwd}| < 2.7$  while the other muon from the Z decay, called the *central* muon, is required to have  $|\eta| < 2.5$ . The denominator is the ratio of  $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$  candidates in data over MC with the forward muon lying in the control region  $2.2 < |\eta_{fwd}| < 2.5$  and the central muon in the region  $|\eta| < 2.2$ . In both the numerator and denominator the central muon is required to be a CB muon. The simulation of muons with  $|\eta| < 2.5$ is corrected using the standard SF described in the previous section.

The selection of the central muon is similar to that of the tag muon in the tag-and-probe method. It is required to have triggered the event readout, to be isolated and to have transverse momentum  $p_T > 25$  GeV. The requirements for the forward muon include calorimeter-based isolation, requiring the transverse energy  $E_T$  measured in the calorimeter in a cone of  $\Delta R = 0.2$  (excluding the energy lost by the muon itself) around the muon track, to be less than 10% of the muon  $p_T$ . The central and forward muons are required to have opposite charge, a dimuon invariant mass within 10 GeV of the Z mass, and a separation in  $(\eta, \phi)$  space of  $\Delta R > 0.2$ .

Different sources of systematic uncertainties have been considered: a first group is obtained by varying the  $p_{\rm T}$  and isolation cuts on the central muons and the dimuon mass window. These variations produce effects of less than 0.3% in the efficiency SF for the  $p_{\rm T}$  range 20–60 GeV. The effect of the calorimetric isolation on the efficiency SF yields an uncertainty of less than 1%, which is estimated by comparing the nominal SF values with the ones extracted when no calorimetric isolation is applied on the forward muons and by studying the dependence of this cut on the number of pp interactions. The contribution from the background processes, mainly dimuons from b and  $\bar{b}$  decays, has been studied using MC background samples and found to be negligible.

The theoretical uncertainty from higher-order corrections is estimated by varying the renormalization and factorization scales in the POWHEG NLO calculation at the generator level and is found to produce a negligible effect on the ratio of Eq. (8). The uncertainty from the knowledge of the parton densities is estimated by reweighting the PDFs used in the MC samples from CT10 to MSTW2008NLO [24] and by studying, at the generator level, the effect of the uncertainty associated to the MSTW2008 PDF set on the double ratio of Eq. (8), obtaining an overall theoretical uncertainty of less than 0.55 %.



**Fig. 7** Reconstruction efficiency for muons within  $2.5 < |\eta| < 2.7$  from  $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$  events. The *upper plot* shows the efficiency obtained as the product of scale factor (Eq. 8) and the MC efficiency. The *lower plot* shows the scale factor. The *error bars* correspond to the statistical uncertainty while the *green shaded band* corresponds to the statistical and systematic uncertainty added in quadrature

The efficiency in this region is obtained as the product of the SF and the "true" MC efficiency, calculated as the fraction of generator-level muons that are successfully reconstructed. The reconstruction efficiency and the SF for muons in the high- $\eta$  region is shown in Fig. 7 as a function of the muon  $p_{\text{T}}$ .

#### 4.3 Scale factor maps

The standard approach used in ATLAS for physics analysis is to correct the muon reconstruction efficiency in the simulation using efficiency scale factors (SFs). The SFs are obtained with the tag-and-probe method using  $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$ events, as described above, and are provided to the analyses in the form of  $\eta$ – $\phi$  maps. Since no significant  $p_T$  dependence of the SF has been observed, no  $p_T$  binning is used in the SF maps. Different maps are produced for different data taking sub-periods with homogeneous detector conditions. The whole 2012 dataset is divided into 10 sub-periods. For each analysis, the final map is obtained as an average of the maps for all sub-periods, weighted by the periods' contribution to the integrated luminosity under study.

Figures 8 and 9 show the maps of the efficiencies measured using the data in the  $\eta$ - $\phi$  plane and the corresponding Scale Factors. The large data sample allows for a precise resolution of localized efficiency losses, for example in the

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**Fig. 8** Reconstruction efficiency measured in the experimental data (*top*), and the data/MC efficiency scale factor (*bottom*) for CB muons as a function of  $\eta$  and  $\phi$  for muons with  $p_T > 10 \text{ GeV}$ 

muon spectrometer for  $|\eta| \sim 0$  due to limited coverage. The SF maps show local differences between data and MC related to detector conditions as discussed in Sect. 4.1.5.

#### 5 Momentum scale and resolution

The large samples of  $J/\psi \rightarrow \mu\mu$ ,  $\Upsilon \rightarrow \mu\mu$  and  $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$  decays collected by ATLAS are used to study in detail the muon momentum scale and resolution. The ATLAS simulation includes the best knowledge of the detector geometry, material distribution, and physics model of the muon interaction at the time of the MC events were generated. Additional corrections are needed to reproduce the muon momentum resolution and scale of experimental data at the level of precision that can be obtained using high-statistics samples of dimuon resonances. Section 5.1 describes the methodology used to extract the corrections to be applied to the MC simulation. In Sect. 5.2, the muon momentum scale and resolution is studied in the data and in MC samples with and without corrections.

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**Fig. 9** Reconstruction efficiency measured in the experimental data (*top*) and the data/MC efficiency scale factor (*bottom*) for CB+ST muons as a function of  $\eta$  and  $\phi$  for muons with  $p_T > 10 \text{ GeV}$ 

#### 5.1 Corrections to the muon momentum in MC

Similarly to Ref. [9], the simulated muon transverse momenta reconstructed in the ID and in the MS sub-detectors,  $p_{\rm T}^{\rm MC, \rm Det}$ , where Det = ID, MS, are corrected using the following equation:

$$p_{\rm T}^{\rm Cor, Det} = \frac{p_{\rm T}^{\rm MC, Det} + \sum_{n=0}^{1} s_n^{\rm Det}(\eta, \phi) (p_{\rm T}^{\rm MC, Det})^n}{1 + \sum_{m=0}^{2} \Delta r_m^{\rm Det}(\eta, \phi) (p_{\rm T}^{\rm MC, Det})^{m-1} g_m}$$
(with  $s_0^{\rm ID} = 0$  and  $\Delta r_0^{\rm ID} = 0$ ), (9)

where  $g_m$  are normally distributed random variables with mean 0 and width 1 and the terms  $\Delta r_m^{\text{Det}}(\eta, \phi)$  and  $s_n^{\text{Det}}(\eta, \phi)$  describe, respectively, the momentum resolution smearing and the scale corrections applied in a specific  $\eta, \phi$  detector region. The motivations for Eq. (9) are the following:

– corrections are defined in  $\eta - \phi$  detector regions such that in each region the variation of momentum resolution and scale, and therefore of their possible corrections, are

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expected to be small. In particular the nominal muon identification acceptance region (up to  $|\eta| = 2.7$ ) is divided in 18  $\eta$  sectors of size  $\Delta \eta$  between 0.2 and 0.4, for both the MS and the ID. In addition, the MS is divided into two types of  $\phi$  sectors of approximate size of  $\pi/8$ , exploiting the octagonal symmetry of the magnetic system : the sectors that include the magnet coils (called "small sectors") and the sectors between two coils (called "large sectors").

The  $\Delta r_m^{\text{Det}}(\eta, \phi)$  correction terms introduce a  $p_T$  dependent momentum smearing that effectively increases the relative momentum resolution,  $\frac{\sigma(p_T)}{p_T}$ , when underestimated by the simulation. The  $\Delta r_m^{\text{Det}}(\eta, \phi)$  terms can be related to different sources of experimental resolution by comparing the coefficient of the  $p_T$  powers in the denominator of Eq. (9) to the following empirical parametrization of the muon momentum resolution (see for example [25]):

$$\frac{\sigma(p_{\rm T})}{p_{\rm T}} = r_0/p_{\rm T} \oplus r_1 \oplus r_2 \cdot p_{\rm T},\tag{10}$$

where  $\oplus$  denotes a sum in quadrature. The first term (proportional to  $1/p_{\rm T}$ ) accounts for fluctuations of the energy loss in the traversed material. Multiple scattering, local magnetic field inhomogeneities and local radial displacements are responsible for the second term (constant in  $p_{\rm T}$ ). The third term (proportional to  $p_{\rm T}$ ) describes intrinsic resolution effects caused by the spatial resolution of the hit measurements and by residual misalignment. Energy loss fluctuations are relevant for muons traversing the calorimeter in front of the MS but they are negligible in the ID measurement. For this reason  $\Delta r_0^{\rm ID}$  is set to zero in Eq. (9).

- Imperfect knowledge of the magnetic field integral and of the radial dimension of the detector are reflected in the multiplicative momentum scale difference  $s_1^{\text{Det}}$  between data and simulation. In addition, the  $s_0^{\text{MS}}(\eta, \phi)$  term is necessary to model the  $p_{\text{T}}$  scale dependence observed in the MS momentum reconstruction due to differences between data and MC in the energy loss of muons passing through the calorimeter and other materials between the interaction point and the MS. As the energy loss between the interaction point and the ID is negligible,  $s_0^{\text{ID}}(\eta)$  is set to zero.

The separate correction of ID and MS momentum reconstruction allows a direct understanding of the sources of the corrections. In a second step the corrections are propagated to the CB momentum reconstruction,  $p_T^{Cor,CB}$ , using a weighted average:

$$p_{\rm T}^{\rm Cor,CB} = f \cdot p_{\rm T}^{\rm Cor,ID} + (1-f) \cdot p_{\rm T}^{\rm Cor,MS}, \tag{11}$$

with the weight f derived for each muon by expressing the CB transverse momentum before corrections,  $p_T^{MC,CB}$ , as a linear combination of  $p_T^{MC,ID}$  and  $p_T^{MC,MS}$ :

$$p_{\rm T}^{\rm MC,CB} = f \cdot p_{\rm T}^{\rm MC,ID} + (1-f) \cdot p_{\rm T}^{\rm MC,MS}$$
(12)

and solving the corresponding linear equation.

#### 5.1.1 Correction extraction using a template fit to $J/\psi \rightarrow \mu\mu$ and $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$ events

The MS and ID correction parameters contained in Eq. (9) need to be extracted from data. For this purpose, a MC template maximum likelihood fit is used to compare the simulation to the data for  $J/\psi \rightarrow \mu\mu$  and  $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$  candidate events: this gives sensitivity to reconstructed muon momenta in the  $p_{\rm T}$  range from a few GeV to  $\approx 100$  GeV. The dataset used for the correction extraction consists of 6M  $J/\psi \rightarrow \mu\mu$  and 9M  $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$  candidates passing the final selection.

The  $J/\psi \rightarrow \mu\mu$  and  $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$  candidates have been selected online according to the requirements described in Sect. 3.1 and, offline, by requiring two CB muons. For the correction extraction in a specific  $\eta - \phi$  Region Of Fit (ROF), the ID and MS reconstructed momenta are considered individually. All the events with at least one of the two muons in the ROF contribute to the correction extraction fit. The angles from the CB reconstruction are used to define the ROF and to calculate the invariant mass distributions.

The ID corrections are extracted using the distribution of the ID dimuon invariant mass,  $m_{\mu\mu}^{\rm ID}$ . Events with  $m_{\mu\mu}^{\rm ID}$  in the window 2.76–3.6 GeV and  $p_{\rm T}^{\rm ID}$  in the range 8–17 GeV are selected as  $J/\psi \rightarrow \mu\mu$  candidate decays; events with  $m_{\mu\mu}^{\rm ID}$  between 76 and 96 GeV and the leading (sub-leading) muons with 26 <  $p_{\rm T}^{\rm ID}$  < 300 GeV (15 <  $p_{\rm T}^{\rm ID}$  < 300 GeV) are selected as  $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$  candidate decays. To enhance the sensitivity to the  $p_{\rm T}$  dependent correction effects, the  $m_{\mu\mu}^{\rm ID}$  is classified according to the  $p_{\rm T}$  of the muons: for  $J/\psi \rightarrow \mu\mu$ candidates the  $p_{\rm T}^{\rm ID}$  of the sub-leading muon defines three bins with lower thresholds at  $p_{\rm T}^{\rm ID}$  = 8, 9, 11 GeV, for  $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$ candidates the  $p_{\rm T}^{\rm ID}$  of the leading muon defines three bins with lower thresholds at  $p_{\rm T}^{\rm ID}$  = 26, 47, 70 GeV.

Similarly, the MS corrections are extracted using the distribution of the MS reconstructed dimuon invariant mass,  $m_{\mu\mu}^{MS}$ , in the same way as for the ID. However, as in the MS part of Eq. (9) more correction parameters and more ROFs are present, an additional variable sensitive to the momentum scale and resolution is added to the MS fit. The variable, used only in  $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$  candidate events, is defined by the following equation:

(11) 
$$\rho = \frac{p_{\rm T}^{\rm MS} - p_{\rm T}^{\rm ID}}{p_{\rm T}^{\rm ID}},$$
 (13)

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representing a measurement of the  $p_{\rm T}$  imbalance between the measurement in the ID and in the MS. The  $\rho$  variable is binned according to  $p_{\rm T}^{\rm MS}$  of the muon in the ROF: the lower thresholds are  $p_{\rm T}^{\rm MS} = 20, 30, 35, 40, 45, 55, 70$  GeV.

In order to compare the simulation to the data distributions, the corresponding templates of  $m_{\mu\mu}^{\text{ID}}$ ,  $m_{\mu\mu}^{\text{MS}}$ , and  $\rho$  are built using the MC samples of the  $J/\psi \rightarrow \mu\mu$  and  $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$ signals. The background in the Z  $\rightarrow \mu\mu$  mass region is added to the templates using the simulation and corresponds to approximately 0.1 % of the  $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$  candidates. The nonresonant background to  $J/\psi \rightarrow \mu\mu$ , coming from decays of light and heavy hadrons and from Drell-Yan production, accounts for about 15 % of the selected  $J/\psi \rightarrow \mu\mu$  candidates. As it is not possible to accurately simulate it, a data driven approach is used to evaluate it: an analytic model of the background plus the  $J/\psi$  signal is fitted to the dimuon mass spectrum of the  $J/\psi \rightarrow \mu\mu$  candidates in a mass range 2.7– 4.0 GeV, then the background model and its normalization are used in the template fit from which the momentum correction are extracted. The analytic fit is performed independently on the ID and MS event candidates. The non-resonant dimuon background is parametrized with an exponential function, while the  $J/\psi$  and  $\psi^{2S}$  resonances are parametrized by a Crystal-Ball function [26] in the ID fits, or by a Gaussian distribution convoluted with a Landau in the MS fits, where energy loss effects due to the calorimeter material are larger.

The template fit machinery involves several steps: first a binned likelihood function  $\mathcal L$  is built to compare the data to the MC templates of signal plus background. Then modified templates are generated by varying the correction parameters in Eq. (9) and applying them to the muon momentum of the simulated signal events. The  $-2\ln \mathcal{L}$  between data and the modified template is then minimized using MINUIT [27]. The procedure is iterated across all the ROFs: the first fit is performed using only events with both muons in the ROF, the following fits allow also one of the muons in a previously analysed ROF and one in the ROF under investigation. After all the detector ROFs have been analysed, the fit procedure is iterated twice in order to improve the stability of the results. The correction extraction is performed first for the ID and then for the MS, such that the ID transverse momentum present in Eq. (13) can be kept constant during the MS correction extraction.

Although the use of  $p_T$  bins for the construction of the templates gives a good sensitivity to the  $p_T$  dependence of the scale corrections, the fit is not very sensitive to the resolution correction terms  $\Delta r_0^{MS}(\eta, \phi)$  and  $\Delta r_2^{MS}(\eta, \phi)$  of Eq. (9). The reasons for this are, at low  $p_T$ , the  $p_T > 8$  GeV selection cut applied to the  $J/\psi$  data sample, which limits the sensitivity to  $\Delta r_0^{MS}(\eta, \phi)$ , and, at high  $p_T$ , the limited statistics of the  $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$  data sample with  $p_T^{MS} > 100$  GeV, which limits the sensitivity to  $\Delta r_2^{MS}(\eta, \phi)$ . As the energy loss fluctuations do not show significant disagreement between data and MC for

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 $|\eta| > 0.8$ , the parameter  $\Delta r_0^{\rm MS}(\eta, \phi)$  has been fixed to zero in this region. The effect of the misalignment of MS chambers in real data, which is expected to be the largest contribution to  $\Delta r_2^{\rm MS}(\eta, \phi)$ , is already taken into account in the simulation as described in Sect. 3.2. Therefore the  $\Delta r_2^{\rm MS}(\eta, \phi)$  term is also fixed to zero in the MS correction extraction. Two of the systematic uncertainties described in Sect. 5.1.2 are used to cover possible deviations from zero of these two terms.

#### 5.1.2 Systematic uncertainties

Systematic uncertainties cover imperfections in the model used for the muon momentum correction and in the fit procedure used for the extraction of the correction terms. In particular the correction extraction procedure has been repeated using the following different configurations:

- variation of  $\pm 5$  GeV in the dimuon mass window used for the  $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$  event selection. This is intended to cover resolution differences between data and MC that are beyond a simple Gaussian smearing. This results in one of the largest systematic uncertainties on the resolution corrections, with an average effect of  $\approx 10 \%$  on the  $\Delta r_1^{\rm ID}, \Delta r_2^{\rm ID}$ , and  $\Delta r_1^{\rm MS}$  parameters.
- Two variations of the  $J/\psi$  templates used in the fit. The first concerns the  $J/\psi$  background parametrization: new  $m_{\mu\mu}^{\rm MS}$  and  $m_{\mu\mu}^{\rm ID}$  background templates are generated using a linear model, for the MS fits, and a linear-timesexponential model, for the ID fits. The second variation concerns the  $J/\psi$  event selection: the minimum muon  $p_{\rm T}^{MS,ID}$  cut is raised from 8 to 10 GeV, thus reducing the weight of low- $p_{\rm T}$  muons on the corrections. The resulting variations on the resolution correction parameters are  $\approx 10 \%$  of  $\Delta r_1^{\rm ID}$  and  $\Delta r_1^{\rm MS}$ . The effect is also relevant for the MS scale corrections with a variation of  $\approx 0.01$  GeV on  $s_0^{\rm MS}$  and of  $\approx 4 \times 10^{-4}$  on  $s_1^{\rm MS}$ .
- The ID correction extraction is repeated using  $J/\psi \rightarrow \mu\mu$ events only or  $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$  events only. Since such configurations have a reduced statistical power, only the  $s_1^{\rm ID}$  correction parameter is left free in the fit, while the resolution correction terms are fixed to nominal values. The resulting uncertainty on  $s_1^{\rm ID}$ , ranging from 0.01 % to 0.05 % from the central to the forward region of the ID, accounts for non-linear effects on the ID scale.
- The parameter  $\Delta r_0^{\rm MS}$  of Eq. (9) is left free in all the regions, instead of fixing it to zero for  $|\eta| > 0.8$ . The largest variation of 0.08 GeV is applied as an additional systematic uncertainty on the parameter.
- The MS correction is extracted using a special  $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$ MC sample with ideal geometry, i.e. where no simulation of the misalignment of the MS chambers is applied. This is needed because the standard simulation has a too pessimistic resolution in the  $|\eta| < 1.25$  region, forcing the

- $\Delta r_1^{\rm MS}$  parameter to values compatible with zero. The template fit performed with the ideal-geometry  $Z \rightarrow \mu \mu$  MC sample gives  $\Delta r_1^{\rm MS} > 0$  in the region 0.4  $< |\eta| < 1.25$ . The largest variation of  $\Delta r_1^{\rm MS}$ , corresponding to 0.012, is applied as an additional systematic uncertainty for this region.
- Variation of the normalization of the MC samples used in  $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$  background estimate by factors of two and one half. The resulting systematic uncertainty is small except for the detector regions with  $|\eta| > 2.0$ , where the effect is comparable to the other uncertainties.

Independently from the fit procedure, the following studies are used to derive additional systematic uncertainties:

- The simulation of the ID includes an excess of material for  $|\eta| > 2.3$  resulting in a muon momentum resolution with is too pessimistic. Such imperfection is covered by adding a systematic uncertainties of  $2 \times 10^{-3}$  on the  $s_1^{\rm ID}$  parameter, and of 0.01 on the  $\Delta r_1^{\rm ID}$  parameter, both for  $|\eta| > 2.3$ . These are the largest systematic uncertainties on the ID correction parameters.
- The position of the mass peak in the  $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$  sample is studied in finer  $\eta$  bins than those used to extract the corrections, using the fit that will be discussed in Sect. 5.2 as an alternative to the template fitting method. An additional uncertainty of  $2 \times 10^{-4}$  on the  $s_1^{\rm ID}(\eta)$  parameter is found to cover all the observed deviations between data and corrected MC.
- The effect of the measurement of the angle of the muon tracks has been checked by using the  $J/\psi$  MC and conservatively increasing the track angular resolution by  $\approx 40 \%$ . The maximum effect is an increase of the resolution correction  $\Delta r_1^{\rm ID}$  of 0.001, which is added to the systematic uncertainties.
- Special runs with the toroidal magnetic field off have been used to evaluate the quality of the MS chamber alignment. These results are compared to the chamber misalignments in the simulation to define the systematic uncertainty on the  $\Delta r_2^{\text{MS}}(\eta, \phi)$  resolution correction parameter.

The final uncertainty on each of the eight muon momentum correction parameters is derived from the sum in quadrature of all the listed uncertainty sources. This is simplified for use in standard physics analyses, for which only four systematic variations are provided: global upper and lower scale variations and independent resolution variations for the ID and the MS. The upper and lower scale variations are obtained by a simultaneous variation of all the ID and MS scale correction parameters by *Io*. The resolution variation for ID (MS) is obtained by the simultaneous variation of all the ID (MS) correction parameters. Table 1 Summary of ID muon momentum resolution and scale corrections used in Eq. (9), averaged over three main detector regions. The corrections are derived in 18  $\eta$  detector regions, as described in Sect. 5.1.1, and averaged according to the  $\eta$  width of each region. The uncertainties are the result of the sum in quadrature of the statistical and systematic uncertainties. Only upper uncertainties are reported for the  $\Delta r$  parameters; lower uncertainties are evaluated by symmetrization, as described in Sect. 5.1.2

Region	$\Delta r_1^{\rm ID}$	$\Delta r_2^{\rm ID}  [{\rm TeV^{-1}}]$	$s_1^{\mathrm{ID}}$
$ \eta  < 1.05$	$0.0068^{+0.0010}$	0.146 <sup>+0.039</sup>	$-0.92^{+0.26}_{-0.22}\times10^{-3}$
$1.05 \leq  \eta  < 2.0$	$0.0105^{+0.0018}$	$0.302^{+0.046}$	$-0.86^{+0.30}_{-0.35}\times10^{-3}$
$ \eta  \geq 2.0$	$0.0069^{+0.0121}$	$0.088^{+0.084}$	$-0.49^{+1.17}_{-1.63}\times10^{-3}$

The MC-smearing approach of Eq. (9) cannot be used to correct the MC when the resolution in real data is better than in the simulation. To deal with these cases, the amount of resolution that should be subtracted in quadrature from the simulation to reproduce the data is included in the positive ID and MS resolution variations. Then the prescription for physics analysis is to symmetrize the effect of the positive variation of resolution parameters around the nominal value of the physical observables under study.

# 5.1.3 Result of the muon momentum scale and resolution corrections

The ID and MS correction parameters used in Eq. (9) are shown in Tables 1 and 2, averaged over three  $\eta$  regions. The scale correction to the simulated ID track reconstruction is always below 0.1 % with an uncertainty ranging from  $\approx 0.02$  %, for  $|\eta| < 1.0$ , to 0.2 %, for  $|\eta| > 2.3$ . The correction to the MS scale is  $\lesssim 0.1$  % except for the large MS sectors in the barrel region of the detector, where a correction of  $\approx 0.3$  % is needed, and for specific MS regions with  $1.25 < |\eta| < 1.5$  where a correction of about -0.4 % is needed. An energy loss correction of approximately 30 MeV is visible for low values of  $p_{\rm T}$  in the MS reconstruction. This correction corresponds to about 1 % of the total energy loss in the calorimeter and in the dead material in front of the spectrometer and is compatible with the accuracy of the material budget used in the simulation. Depending on the considered pT range, total resolution smearing corrections below 10 % and below 15 % are needed for the simulated ID and MS track reconstructions.

#### 5.2 Measurement of the dimuon mass scale and resolution

The collected samples of  $J/\psi \rightarrow \mu\mu$ ,  $\Upsilon \rightarrow \mu\mu$  and  $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$  decays have been used to study the muon momentum resolution and to validate the momentum corrections obtained with the template fit method described in the previous section with a different methodology. In addition the  $\Upsilon$  sample, not

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**Table 2** Summary of MS momentum resolution and scale corrections for small and large MS sectors, averaged over three main detector regions. The corrections for large and small MS sectors are derived in 18  $\eta$  detector regions, as described in Sect. 5.1.1, and averaged according to the *n* width of each region. The parameters  $\Delta r_{\rm MS}^{\rm MS}$  for |n| > 1.05, and

 $\Delta r_2^{MS}$ , for the full  $\eta$  range, are fixed to zero. The uncertainties are the result of the sum in quadrature of the statistical and systematic uncertainties. Only upper uncertainties are reported for the  $\Delta r$  parameters; lower uncertainties are evaluated by symmetrization, as described in Sect. 5.1.2

to the $\eta$ within of each region.	$\lim_{n \to \infty} parameters \Delta r_0$ ,	$101  \eta  > 1.05$ , and	Seet. 5.1.2		
Region	$\Delta r_0^{\rm MS}$ [GeV]	$\Delta r_1^{\rm MS}$	$\Delta r_2^{\rm MS}$ [TeV <sup>-1</sup> ]	s <sub>0</sub> <sup>MS</sup> [GeV]	s <sub>1</sub> <sup>MS</sup>
$ \eta  < 1.05$ (small)	$0.115^{+0.083}$	$0.0030^{+0.0079}$	0 <sup>+0.21</sup>	$-0.035\substack{+0.017\\-0.011}$	$+3.57^{+0.38}_{-0.60}\times10^{-3}$
$ \eta  < 1.05$ (large)	$0.101^{+0.090}$	$0.0034^{+0.0081}$	0 <sup>+0.11</sup>	$-0.022^{+0.007}_{-0.014}$	$-0.22^{+0.37}_{-0.24} \times 10^{-3}$
$1.05 \le  \eta  < 2.0 \text{ (small)}$	$0^{+0.080}$	$0.0171^{+0.0059}$	$0^{+0.22}$	$-0.032^{+0.017}_{-0.016}$	$-1.07^{+0.77}_{-0.93} \times 10^{-3}$
$1.05 \le  \eta  < 2.0$ (large)	$0^{+0.080}$	$0.0190^{+0.0047}$	0 <sup>+0.17</sup>	$-0.026^{+0.009}_{-0.017}$	$-1.46^{+0.45}_{-0.57} \times 10^{-3}$
$ \eta  \ge 2.0$ (small)	$0^{+0.080}$	$0.0022^{+0.0075}$	$0^{+0.06}$	$-0.031^{+0.029}_{-0.031}$	$-0.91^{+1.63}_{-0.91} \times 10^{-3}$
$ \eta  \ge 2.0$ (large)	$0^{+0.080}$	$0.0171^{+0.0052}$	0+0.29	$-0.057\substack{+0.019\\-0.021}$	$+0.40^{+1.22}_{-0.50}\times10^{-3}$

used in the extraction of the corrections, provides an independent validation.

Neglecting angular effects, the invariant mass resolution  $\sigma(m_{\mu\mu})$  is related to the momentum resolution by

$$\frac{\sigma(m_{\mu\mu})}{m_{\mu\mu}} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\sigma(p_1)}{p_1} \oplus \frac{1}{2} \frac{\sigma(p_2)}{p_2},$$
(14)

where  $p_1$  and  $p_2$  are the momenta of the two muons. If the momentum resolution is similar for the two muons then the relative mass resolution is proportional to the relative momentum resolution:

$$\frac{\sigma(m_{\mu\mu})}{m_{\mu\mu}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{\sigma(p)}{p}.$$
(15)

The mass resolution has been obtained by fitting the width of the invariant mass peaks. In the  $J/\psi \rightarrow \mu\mu$  and  $\Upsilon \rightarrow \mu\mu$ decays, the intrinsic width of the resonance is negligible with respect to the experimental resolution. In the  $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$ case the fits have been performed using a convolution of the true line-shape obtained from the MC simulation with an experimental resolution function. The momentum scale was obtained by comparing the mass peak position in data and in MC. Details of the event selection and of the invariant mass fits are given below.

#### 5.2.1 Event selection and mass fitting

The  $J/\psi$  and  $\Upsilon$  events are selected online by the dedicated dimuon triggers described in Sect. 3.1. The offline event selection requires in addition that both muons are reconstructed as CB muons and have  $p_{\rm T} > 7$  GeV. The trigger acceptance limits the muons to the region  $|\eta| < 2.4$ . The resulting data samples consist of 17M and 4.7M candidates for  $J/\psi$  and  $\Upsilon$ , respectively. The  $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$  sample was selected online with the single-muon trigger described in Sect. 4.1. One of the two muons can be outside the trigger

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acceptance, allowing coverage of the full range  $|\eta| < 2.7$ . The offline selection requires two opposite-charge muons, one with  $p_T > 25$  GeV and one with  $p_T > 20$  GeV. The two muons are required to be isolated, to have opposite charges and to be compatible with the primary interaction vertex.

The invariant mass distribution of the  $J/\psi \rightarrow \mu\mu$ ,  $\Upsilon \rightarrow \mu\mu$  and  $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$  samples are shown in Fig. 10 and compared with uncorrected and corrected MC. With the uncorrected MC the signal peaks have smaller width and are slightly shifted with respect to data. After correction, the lineshapes of the three resonances agree very well with the data. For a detailed study, the position  $\langle m_{\mu\mu} \rangle$  and the width  $\sigma(m_{\mu\mu})$  of the mass peaks are extracted in bins of  $\eta$  and  $p_{\rm T}$  from fits of the invariant mass distributions of the three resonances.

In the  $J/\psi$  case, for each bin, the background is obtained from a fit of two sideband regions outside the  $J/\psi$  mass peak (2.55 <  $m_{\mu\mu}$  < 2.9 and 3.3 <  $m_{\mu\mu}$  < 4.0 GeV) using a second order polynomial. The background is then subtracted from the signal mass window. The parameters  $\langle m_{\mu\mu} \rangle$  and  $\sigma(m_{\mu\mu})$  of the background subtracted signal distribution are obtained with a Gaussian fit in the range  $\langle m_{\mu\mu} \rangle \pm 1.5\sigma(m_{\mu\mu})$ , obtained using an iterative procedure. Systematic uncertainties associated to the fit are evaluated by repeating the fit using a third order polynomial as the background model and by varying the fit range to  $\pm 1 \times$  and  $\pm 2 \times \sigma(m_{\mu\mu})$ .

As shown in Fig. 10, the three  $\Upsilon$  resonances (1S, 2S, 3S) partially overlap. Moreover in the  $\Upsilon$  case the mass window imposed by the trigger limits considerably the size of the sidebands available for fixing the background level. Therefore a different fit strategy is adopted in this case. For each bin, the whole invariant mass distribution in the range 8.5 <  $m_{\mu\mu}$  < 11.5 GeV is fitted with a linear background plus three Crystal-Ball functions representing the three resonances. The  $\alpha$  and n parameters that fix the tail of the Crystal-Ball functions representing from a fit of the signal MC mass distribution. The relative mass shifts of



**Fig. 10** Dimuon invariant mass distribution of  $J/\psi \rightarrow \mu\mu$  (*left*),  $\Upsilon \rightarrow \mu\mu$  (*center*) and  $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$  (*right*) candidate events reconstructed with CB muons. The *upper panels* show the invariant mass distribution for data and for the signal MC simulation plus the background estimate. The *points* show the data, the *filled histograms* show the simulation with the MC momentum corrections applied and the *dashed histogram* shows the simulation when no correction is applied. Background estimates are added to the signal simulation. The *lower panels* show the Data/MC

ratios. The *band* represents the effect of the systematic uncertainties on the MC momentum corrections. In the  $J/\psi$  case the background was fitted in a sideband region as described in the text. In the  $\Upsilon$  case a simultaneous fit of the normalization of the three simulated  $\Upsilon \rightarrow \mu\mu$ distributions and of a linear background was performed. In the Z case, the MC background samples are added to the signal sample according to their expected cross sections. The sum of background and signal MC is normalized to the data

the three signal peaks are fixed using the PDG masses of the three resonances, while the widths of the three peaks, divided by the corresponding PDG masses, are constrained to be equal. The remaining free parameters in the fit are the mass scale, the width  $\sigma(m_{\mu\mu})$  of the  $\Upsilon(1S)$ , the relative normalizations of the  $\Upsilon(2S)$  and  $\Upsilon(3S)$  distributions with respect to  $\Upsilon(1S)$  and two parameters for the linear background. A similar fit is performed on the MC simulation of the invariant mass distribution obtained by adding the three signal peaks and a flat background distribution. The fit systematic uncertainties have been evaluated by chaining the fit range to  $8.25 < m_{\mu\mu} < 11.75$  and  $8.75 < m_{\mu\mu} < 11.0$  GeV and by varying the  $\alpha$  and *n* parameters in the range allowed by fits to the simulation.

In the  $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$  case, for each bin, the true lineshape predicted by the MC simulation is parametrized with a Breit– Wigner function. The measured dimuon mass spectrum is fitted with a Crystal-Ball function, representing the experimental resolution effects, convoluted with the Breit–Wigner parametrization of the true lineshape. The fit is repeated in different ranges around the mass peak (corresponding approximately to one to two standard deviations) and the spread of the results is used to evaluate the systematic uncertainty of the fit.

#### 5.2.2 Mass scale results

Figure 11 shows the Data/MC ratio of the mean mass  $\langle m_{\mu\mu} \rangle$  obtained from the fits to the *Z*,  $J/\psi$ ,  $\Upsilon$  samples described above, as a function of the pseudorapidity of the highest- $p_{\rm T}$ 



**Fig. 11** Ratio of the fitted mean mass,  $\langle m_{\mu\mu} \rangle$ , for data and corrected MC from Z (top),  $\Upsilon$  (middle), and  $J/\psi$  (bottom) events as a function of the pseudorapidity of the highest- $p_{T}$  muon. The ratio is shown for corrected MC (filled symbols) and uncorrected MC (empty symbols). The error bars represent the statistical and the systematic uncertainty on the mass fits added in quadrature. The bands show the uncertainty on the MC corrections calculated separately for the three samples

muon for pairs of CB muons. For the uncorrected MC, the ratio deviates from unity in the large  $|\eta|$  region of the  $J/\psi$  and  $\Upsilon$  cases by up to 5 %. This is mainly due to imperfections

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**Fig. 12** Ratio of the fitted mean mass,  $\langle m_{\mu\mu} \rangle$ , for data and corrected MC from  $J/\psi$ ,  $\Upsilon$  and Z events as a function of the average transverse momentum in three  $|\eta|$  ranges. Both muons are required to be in the same  $|\eta|$  range. The  $J/\psi$  and  $\Upsilon$  data are shown as a function of the  $\bar{p}_{\rm T} = \frac{1}{2}(p_{\rm T,1} + p_{\rm T,2})$  while for Z data are plotted as a function of  $p_{\rm T}^*$  as

in the simulation of the muon energy loss that have a larger effect at low  $p_{\rm T}$  and in the forward  $\eta$  region where the MS measurement has a larger weight in the MS-ID combination. The corrected MC is in very good agreement with the data, well within the scale systematics that are  $\approx 0.035$  % in the barrel region and increase with  $|\eta|$  to reach  $\sim 0.2$  % in the region  $|\eta| > 2$  for the  $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$  case.

Figure 12 shows the data/MC ratio for  $\langle m_{\mu\mu} \rangle$  as a function of the transverse momentum  $\langle p_T \rangle$  for muons in three different pseudorapidity regions.

For the  $J/\psi$  and  $\Upsilon$  cases,  $\langle p_{\rm T} \rangle$  is defined as the average momentum  $\bar{p}_T = \frac{1}{2}(p_{\rm T,1} + p_{\rm T,2})$  while in the Z case it is defined as

$$p_{\rm T}^* = m_Z \sqrt{\frac{\sin\theta_1 \sin\theta_2}{2(1 - \cos\alpha_{12})}},\tag{16}$$

where  $m_Z$  is the Z pole mass [28],  $\theta_1$ ,  $\theta_2$  are the polar angles of the two muons and  $\alpha_{12}$  is the opening angle of the muon pair. This definition, based on angular variables only, removes the correlation between the measurement of the dimuon mass and of the average  $p_T$  that is particularly relevant around the Jacobian peak at  $p_T = m_Z/2$  in the distribution of muons from Z decays.

The data from the three resonances span from  $\langle p_{\rm T} \rangle =$ 7 GeV to  $\langle p_{\rm T} \rangle =$  120 GeV and show that the momentum scale is well known and within the assigned systematic uncertainties in the whole  $p_{\rm T}$  range.

#### 5.2.3 Resolution results

The dimuon mass width  $\sigma(m_{\mu\mu})$  for CB muons is shown as a function of the leading-muon  $\eta$  in Fig. 13 for the three reso-

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defined in Eq. (16). The *error bars* represent the statistical uncertainty and the systematic uncertainty on the fit added in quadrature. The *bands* show the uncertainty on the MC corrections calculated separately for the three samples

nances. The width of the uncorrected MC is 5-10 % smaller than that of the data. After correction the MC reproduces the width of the data well within the correction uncertainties.

At a given  $\eta$ , the relative dimuon mass resolution  $\sigma(m_{\mu\mu})/m_{\mu\mu}$  depends approximately on  $\langle p_{\rm T} \rangle$  (Eq. 15). This allows a direct comparison of the momentum resolution using different resonances. This is shown in Fig. 14, where the relative mass resolution from  $J/\psi \rightarrow \mu\mu$ ,  $\Upsilon \rightarrow \mu\mu$  and  $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$  events is compared in three regions of  $|\eta|$ . The  $J/\psi \rightarrow \mu\mu$  and  $\Upsilon \rightarrow \mu\mu$  resolutions are in good agreement.

In the  $Z \rightarrow \mu \mu$  sample, due to the decay kinematics, below  $\langle p_{\rm T} \rangle = m_Z/2$  there is a strong correlation between  $\langle p_{\rm T} \rangle$  and the pseudorapidity of the muons, in such a way that the lower is the  $\langle p_T \rangle$ , the larger is the  $|\eta|$  of the muons. Above  $\langle p_{\rm T} \rangle = m_{\rm Z}/2$ , the correlation effect is strongly reduced and the Z measurements are well aligned with those from the lighter resonances. In the barrel region,  $|\eta| < 1$ , the mass resolution increases from  $\sigma(m_{\mu\mu})/m_{\mu\mu}\,\approx\,1.2\,\%$  at  $p_{\rm T}\,<$ 10 GeV to  $\sigma(m_{\mu\mu})/m_{\mu\mu} \approx 2\%$  at  $p_{\rm T} = 100$  GeV. For  $|\eta| > 1$  it goes from  $\sigma(m_{\mu\mu})/m_{\mu\mu} \approx 2\%$  to  $\approx 3\%$  in the same  $p_{\rm T}$  range. This behavior is very well reproduced by the corrected MC. Following Eq. (15), it is possible to scale  $\sigma(m_{\mu\mu})/m_{\mu\mu}$  by  $\sqrt{2}$  to extract a measurement of the relative momentum resolution  $\sigma(p)/p$ , which ranges from  $\approx 1.7$  % in the central region and at low  $p_{\rm T}$  to  $\approx 4$  % at large  $\eta$  and  $p_{\rm T} = 100 {
m ~GeV}.$ 

To understand better the  $p_{\rm T}$  dependence of the momentum resolution of CB muons, it is useful to study separately the resolution of the ID and of the MS measurements, as shown in Figs. 15 and 16. The ID measurement has a better resolution than the MS in the  $p_{\rm T}$  range under study for  $|\eta| < 2$  while



Fig. 13 Dimuon invariant mass resolution for CB muons for  $J/\psi \rightarrow \mu\mu$  (a),  $\Upsilon \rightarrow \mu\mu$  (b) and  $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$  (c) events for data and for uncorrected and corrected MC as a function of the pseudorapidity of the highest- $p_T$  muon. The *upper plots* show the fitted resolution parameter for data, uncorrected MC and corrected MC. The *lower panels* show

the data/MC ratio, using uncorrected and corrected MC. The *error bars* represent the statistical uncertainty and the systematic uncertainty on the fit added in quadrature. The *bands in the lower panels* represent the systematic uncertainty on the correction



**Fig. 14** Dimuon invariant mass resolution for CB muons measured from  $J/\psi$ ,  $\Upsilon$  and Z events as a function of the average transverse momentum in three  $|\eta|$  ranges. Both muons are required to be in the same  $|\eta|$  range. The  $J/\psi$  and  $\Upsilon$  data are plotted as a function of  $\bar{p}_{\rm T} = \frac{1}{2}(p_{\rm T,1} + p_{\rm T,2})$  while for Z data are plotted as a function of  $p_{\rm T}^*$  as

the MS has a better resolution at larger  $|\eta|$ . The resolution of the CB muons is significantly better than the ID or the MS measurements taken separately in the whole  $|\eta|$  range. The ID resolution has an approximately linear increases with  $p_{\rm T}$ , corresponding to a non-zero  $r_2$  term in Eq. (10). The MS resolution is largest in the region  $1 < |\eta| < 2$  which contains the areas with the lowest magnetic field integral. In the region  $|\eta| < 1$  there is a visible increase at low  $p_{\rm T}$  that corresponds to the presence of a non-zero  $r_0$  term in Eq. (10). The  $p_{\rm T}$  dependence of the resolutions for both the ID and the MS measurements is well reproduced by the corrected MC.

defined in Eq. (16). The *error bars* represent statistical and systematic errors added in quadrature. The *lower panel* shows the ratio between data and the corrected MC, with *bands* representing the uncertainty on the MC corrections for the three calibration samples

According to studies based on MC, the MS measurement is expected to dominate over the ID in the whole  $|\eta|$  range for sufficiently large  $p_{T}$ .

# 6 Final state radiation recovery

The invariant mass distributions of resonances that decay into muons, such as  $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$  and  $H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 4\ell$ , is affected by QED final state radiation of photons, causing the mass reconstructed using muons to be shifted to lower values.

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Fig. 15 Dimuon invariant mass resolution for muons reconstructed with the ID only, measured from  $J/\psi$ ,  $\Upsilon$  and Z events as a function of the average transverse momentum in three  $|\eta|$  ranges. Other details as in Fig. 14



Fig. 16 Dimuon invariant mass resolution for muons reconstructed with the MS only, measured from  $J/\psi$ ,  $\Upsilon$  and Z events as a function of the average transverse momentum in three  $|\eta|$  ranges. Other details as in Fig. 14

In this section, a dedicated method to include FSR photons in the reconstruction of resonances decaying into muons is introduced and tested with  $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$  data. This method has been used in several ATLAS publications [6,29].

Final state radiation photons emitted collinearly to muons can be reconstructed with the LAr calorimeter: electromagnetic clusters are searched for within a narrow cone around the axis defined by the muon momentum direction at the interaction point (i.e. the direction which would be followed by an uncharged particle). The longitudinal segmentation of the LAr calorimeter is exploited to reduce fake photon clusters produced by muon energy losses in the calorimeter. This is achieved by using as a discriminant the fraction  $f_1$  of the cluster energy deposited in the first segment of the calorimeter divided by the total cluster energy. Collinear FSR photon candidates are required to have  $E_T > 1.5$  GeV,  $\Delta R_{cluster,\mu} < 0.15$  and  $f_1 > 0.1$ . In addition, non-collinear

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FSR photons are recovered using the standard ATLAS photon reconstruction, selecting isolated photons emitted with  $\Delta R_{\text{cluster},\mu} > 0.15$  and with  $E_T > 10$  GeV [30].

The effect of adding a collinear or non-collinear FSR photon to the  $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$  invariant mass in data is studied in a sample obtained with a dedicated selection of  $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$  candidates plus at least one radiated photon candidate.

The correction for collinear FSR is applied for events in the mass window 66 GeV<  $m_{\mu\mu}$  < 89 GeV while the correction for non-collinear FSR photons is applied only if the collinear search has failed and the dimuon mass satisfies  $m_{\mu\mu}$  < 81 GeV.

In Fig. 17 the invariant mass distributions for the sample of  $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$  events with a FSR photon candidate are shown before and after the addition of collinear and non-collinear FSR photons. A good agreement between data and MC is observed for the corrected  $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$  events. According to



Fig. 17 Invariant mass distribution of  $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$  events with identified FSR in data before (*filled triangles*) and after (*filled circles*) FSR correction, for collinear (*top*) and non-collinear (*bottom*) FSR. The MC prediction is shown before correction (*red histogram*) and after correction (*bite histogram*)

MC studies, the collinear FSR selection has an efficiency of 70 ± 4 % for FSR photons emitted with  $E_T > 1.5$  GeV and  $\Delta R_{\gamma,\mu} < 0.15$  in the fiducial region defined requiring  $|\eta| < 2.37$  and excluding the calorimeter crack region 1.37 <  $|\eta| < 1.52$ . About 85 % of the corrected events have genuine FSR photons, with the remaining photons coming from muon bremsstrahlung or ionization or from random matching with energy depositions from other sources. The fraction of all  $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$  events corrected with a collinear FSR photon is

 $\simeq 4$  %. The non-collinear FSR selection has an efficiency of 60 ± 3 % in the fiducial region and a purity of  $\ge 95$  %. The fraction of  $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$  events corrected with a non-collinear FSR photon is  $\simeq 1$  %.

The FSR correction may introduce systematic variations in the invariant mass scale and resolution. To study these effects, a Gaussian fit of the  $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$  distribution has been performed in the mass range 91.18  $\pm$  3.00 GeV. The FSR correction induces a mass shift of  $+40 \pm 3$  MeV and an improvement of the resolution of  $3\pm1$ % in the full  $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$  sample. The effects observed in the data are well reproduced by the MC. The systematic uncertainty introduced by the FSR recovery on the inclusive Z mass scale can be understood by considering a 0.5% photon energy scale uncertainty, the fact that only 5% of the Z events are corrected, and that the fraction of energy carried by the photons is a few %. This leads to a systematic uncertainty smaller than 2 MeV.

The effect of pile up on the FSR correction has been estimated by dividing the data and the MC into three categories based on the average number of interactions per bunch crossing:  $\langle \mu \rangle = 0-17$ , 17–23, 23–40. A comparison of the fitted Z mass between data and MC has been performed in the three categories and no dependence on  $\langle \mu \rangle$  was observed. Good agreement between data and MC within the statistical uncertainties was found.

#### 7 Conclusions

The performance of the ATLAS muon reconstruction has been measured using data from LHC pp collisions at  $\sqrt{s} =$ 7–8 TeV. The muon reconstruction efficiency is close to 99 % over most of the pseudorapidity range of  $|\eta| < 2.5$  and for  $p_T > 10$  GeV. The large collected sample of 9M  $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$ decays allows the measurement of the efficiency over the full acceptance of  $|\eta| < 2.7$ , and with a precision at the 1 per-mille level for  $|\eta| < 2.5$ . By including  $J/\psi \rightarrow \mu\mu$ decays, the efficiency measurement has been extended over the transverse momentum range from  $p_T \approx 4$  GeV to  $p_T \approx$ 100 GeV.

The muon momentum scale and resolution has been studied in detail using large calibration samples of  $J/\psi \to \mu\mu$ ,  $\Upsilon \to \mu\mu$  and  $Z \to \mu\mu$  decays. These studies have been used to correct the MC simulation to improve the data-MC agreement and to minimize the uncertainties in physics analyses. The momentum scale for combined muons is known with an uncertainty of  $\pm 0.05$ % for  $|\eta| < 1$ , which increases to  $\lesssim 0.2$ % for  $|\eta| > 2.3$  for  $Z \to \mu\mu$  events. The dimuon mass resolution is  $\approx 1.2$ % (2%) at low- $p_{\rm T}$  increasing to  $\approx 2$ % (3%) at  $p_{\rm T} \approx 100$  GeV for  $|\eta| < 1$  ( $|\eta| > 1$ ). The resolution is reproduced by the corrected simulation within relative uncertainties of 3% to 10% depending on  $\eta$  and  $p_{\rm T}$ .

The mass resolution for the  $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$  resonance was found to improve when photons from QED final state radiation are recovered. The FSR recovery allows to recover  $\approx 4\%$  of the events from the low-mass tail to the peak region, improving the dimuon mass resolution by  $\approx 3\%$ .

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# Appendix A: Results with different reconstruction "Chains"

This appendix reports the main results obtained with the other two muon reconstruction software packages used to process 2012 data, Chain 2 and the unified reconstruction programme Chain-3. Figure 18 shows the efficiency as a function of  $\eta$ for Chain 2 and Chain 3 and is similar to Fig. 3 for Chain 1.

The efficiency drop that is observed in Chain 1 for CB muons at  $|\eta| \simeq 1.2$  is not present in the other two packages due to the less strict selection on the number of measurements in the MS. These relaxed requirements also improve the data/MC agreement. In Chain 2 the CB+ST efficiency is higher than the CB efficiency alone, similarly to Chain 1. For Chain 3, the distinction between CB and ST muons is not applicable anymore since a ID-MS combined momentum fit is performed also in the case of muons that traversed only one MS chamber, a category that is assigned to ST muons in

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**Fig. 18** Muon reconstruction efficiency as a function of  $\eta$ , measured using  $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$  events, for muons reconstructed with Chain-2 (*top*) and Chain-3 (*bottom*), for different muon reconstruction types. CaloTag muons are shown in the region  $|\eta| < 0.1$ , where they are used in physics analyses. The *error bars* shown for the efficiencies represent the statistical uncertainty. The *panel at the bottom* shows the ratio between the measured and predicted efficiencies. The *error bars* show statistical and systematic uncertainties added in quadrature

Chain 1 and (with some exceptions) in Chain 2. Therefore only one type of Chain 3 muons is considered, which was tuned to provide a purity similar to that of the CB muons of Chain 1.

The momentum resolution of the three chains is very similar, with Chain 3 having approximately 2 % better resolution than Chain 1. The data/MC agreement and the amount of correction applied to the simulation is compatible among the three packages.

#### Appendix B: Results on 2011 data

During the 2011 data taking period, the LHC delivered pp collisions at a center of mass energy of  $\sqrt{s} = 7$  TeV. A sample corresponding to an integrated luminosity of 4.5 fb<sup>-1</sup>



Fig. 19 Muon reconstruction efficiency as a function of  $\eta$  measured in  $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$  events in the 2011 data sample for different muon reconstruction types. CaloTag muons are only shown in the region  $|\eta| < 0.1$ , where they are used in physics analyses. For the efficiency, the *error bars* indicate the statistical uncertainty. The *panel at the bottom* shows the ratio between the measured and MC efficiencies. The *error bars on the ratios* show the combination of statistical and systematic uncertainties. The lower efficiency of CB muons at  $|\eta| \approx 1.2$  is due to the fact that some of the MS chambers were not yet installed

has been used to measure the muon reconstruction performance with 2011 data. The ID and MS configurations were the same in 2011 as in 2012, with the exception of additional MDT chambers installed between the two periods to increase the number of MS layers from one to two at  $\eta = -1.2$  and in part of the region at  $\eta = 1.2$ . The trigger thresholds were in general lower in 2011. The reconstruction programs used for 2011 data were similar to those used in 2012, although several improvements have been introduced between the two periods. Tighter requirements on the ID tracks associated to the muon track were applied in 2011. Similar MC samples as those used for the study of 2012 data have been generated at  $\sqrt{s} = 7$  TeV for the study of muon performance in 2011, using the same simulation based on GEANT4. The reconstruction of the 2011 simulated data was performed with ideal alignment in the MS.

The efficiency, calculated with the "tag and probe" method as in 2012, is presented in Fig. 19 for Chain 1 muons. The main difference with respect to 2012 is the lower efficiency of CB muons at  $|\eta| \simeq 1.2$ , in which a layer of MDT chambers was missing, and the inefficiency introduced by the tighter ID selection.

The momentum corrections have been derived for the 2011 MC in the same way as for the 2012 MC. After correction, the mass scales of data and MC are in good agreement as shown in Fig. 20. Due to the smaller data sample, the momentum corrections have larger uncertainties than in 2012. The resolution for CB muons obtained with Z events is presented in Fig. 21. The resolution of the uncorrected MC is  $\approx 20\%$ 



**Fig. 20** Ratio of the fitted mean mass,  $\langle m_{\mu\mu} \rangle$ , for data and corrected MC in the 2011 data samples. Measurements from  $J/\psi$ ,  $\Upsilon$  and Z events are shown as a function of  $\eta$  of the highest- $p_{\rm T}$  muon. The *bands* show the uncertainty on the MC corrections extracted for the three calibration samples



**Fig. 21** Dimuon mass resolution  $\sigma(m_{\mu\mu})$  reconstructed with Chain 1 CB muons for  $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$  events recorded in 2011 for data and for uncorrected and corrected MC, as a function of the pseudorapidity of the highest- $p_T$  muon. The *lower panel* shows the data/MC ratio and the band shows the systematic uncertainty from the momentum corrections

smaller than data, significantly worse than in the 2012 case. This is due to the improvements introduced in the reconstruction of 2012 data, including a better knowledge of the ID and MS alignments, and to the use of the ideal MS alignment in the 2011 simulation.

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Letter

# ATLAS search for a heavy gauge boson decaying to a charged lepton and a neutrino in *pp* collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 7$ TeV

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Abstract The ATLAS detector at the LHC is used to search for high-mass states, such as heavy charged gauge bosons (W'), decaying to a charged lepton (electron or muon) and a neutrino. Results are presented based on the analysis of *pp* collisions at a center-of-mass energy of 7 TeV corresponding to an integrated luminosity of 4.7 fb<sup>-1</sup>. No excess beyond Standard Model expectations is observed. A W' with Sequential Standard Model couplings is excluded at the 95 % credibility level for masses up to 2.55 TeV. Excited chiral bosons (W\*) with equivalent coupling strength are excluded for masses up to 2.42 TeV.

#### 1 Introduction

High-energy collisions at the CERN Large Hadron Collider provide the opportunity to search unexplored regions for physics beyond the Standard Model (SM) of strong and electroweak interactions. One extension common to many models is the existence of additional heavy gauge bosons, the charged ones commonly denoted W'. Such particles are most easily searched for in their decay to a charged lepton (electron or muon) and a neutrino.

This letter describes such a search performed using 7 TeV pp collision data collected with the ATLAS detector during 2011 corresponding to a total integrated luminosity of 4.7 fb<sup>-1</sup>. The data are used to extend current limits [1–4] on  $\sigma B$  (cross section times branching fraction) for  $W' \rightarrow \ell \nu$  ( $\ell = e \text{ or } \mu$ ) as a function of W' mass. Limits are evaluated in the context of the Sequential Standard Model (SSM), i.e. the extended gauge model of Ref. [5] with the W' coupling to WZ set to zero. In this model, the W' has the same couplings to fermions as the SM W boson and a width which increases linearly with the W' mass. A previous letter [4] described a similar search with a subset (1.0 fb<sup>-1</sup>) of the

data used in this study. Here the mass range of the search is extended and the limits in the previously covered region are significantly improved because of the fivefold increase in integrated luminosity. An improved lower mass limit assuming SSM coupling strength is also reported.

A search is also performed for the charged partners, denoted  $W^*$ , of the chiral boson excitations described in Ref. [6] with theoretical motivation in Ref. [7]. The anomalous (magnetic-moment type) coupling of the  $W^*$  leads to kinematic distributions significantly different from those of the W'. The previous search for this resonance [3] was performed using data acquired in 2010 with an integrated luminosity less than 1 % of that used here. The search region is expanded to both lower and higher masses and the limits are considerably improved in the region covered by the previous search. A lower mass limit is evaluated by fixing the  $W^*$  coupling strengths to give the same partial decay widths as the SSM W'.

The analysis presented here identifies event candidates in the electron and muon channels, sets separate limits for  $W'/W^* \rightarrow ev$  and  $W'/W^* \rightarrow \mu v$ , and then combines these assuming a common branching fraction for the two channels. The kinematic variable used to identify the  $W'/W^*$  is the transverse mass

$$m_{\rm T} = \sqrt{2p_{\rm T}E_{\rm T}^{\rm miss}(1 - \cos\varphi_{\ell\nu})},\tag{1}$$

whose distribution has a Jacobian peak and falls sharply above the resonance mass. Here  $p_{\rm T}$  is the lepton transverse momentum,  $E_{\rm T}^{\rm miss}$  is the magnitude of the missing transverse momentum (missing  $E_{\rm T}$ ), and  $\varphi_{\ell\nu}$  is the angle between the  $p_{\rm T}$  and missing  $E_{\rm T}$  vectors. Throughout this letter, transverse refers to the plane perpendicular to the colliding beams, longitudinal means parallel to the beams,  $\theta$  and  $\varphi$  are the polar and azimuthal angles with respect to the longitudinal direction, and pseudorapidity is defined as  $\eta = -\ln(\tan(\theta/2))$ .

Figure 1 shows the electron  $\eta$  and the  $m_{\rm T}$  spectra for  $W' \to ev$  and  $W^* \to ev$ , with  $m_{W'} = m_{W^*} = 2.0$  TeV, from

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Fig. 1 Reconstructed electron  $\eta$  (*left*) and  $m_{\rm T}$  (*right*) distributions for  $W' \rightarrow ev$  and  $W^* \rightarrow ev$  with  $m_{W'} = m_{W^*} = 2.0$  TeV. All distributions are normalised to unit area

the event generation, detector simulation and reconstruction described below. The difference in kinematic shape is evident: the W' is more central in pseudorapidity and has a sharper  $m_{\rm T}$  spectrum.

The main background to the  $W'/W^* \rightarrow \ell \nu$  signal comes from the high- $m_{\rm T}$  tail of SM W boson decay to the same final state. Other backgrounds are Z bosons decaying into two leptons where one lepton is not reconstructed. W or Z decaying to  $\tau$  leptons where a  $\tau$  subsequently decays to an electron or muon, and diboson production. These are collectively referred to as the electroweak (EW) background. In addition, there is a background contribution from  $t\bar{t}$  and single-top production which is most important for the lowest W' masses considered here, where it constitutes about 15 % of the background after event selection. Other stronginteraction background sources, where a light or heavy hadron decays semileptonically or a jet is misidentified as an electron, are estimated to be at most 10 % of the total background in the electron channel and a negligible fraction in the muon channel. These are called QCD background in the following.

#### 2 Detector, trigger and reconstruction

The ATLAS detector [8] has three major components: the inner tracking detector, the calorimeter and the muon spectrometer. Charged particle tracks and vertices are reconstructed with silicon pixel and silicon strip detectors covering  $|\eta| < 2.5$  and straw-tube transition radiation detectors covering  $|\eta| < 2.0$ , all immersed in a homogeneous 2 T magnetic field provided by a superconducting solenoid. This tracking detector is surrounded by a finely segmented, here metic calorimeter system that covers  $|\eta| < 4.9$  and provides three-dimensional reconstruction of particle showers. It uses

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liquid argon for the inner EM (electromagnetic) compartment followed by a hadronic compartment based on scintillating tiles in the central region ( $|\eta| < 1.7$ ) and liquid argon for higher  $|\eta|$ . Outside the calorimeter, there is a muon spectrometer with air-core toroids providing a magnetic field, whose integral averages about 3 Tm. The deflection of the muons in the magnetic field is measured with three layers of precision drift-tube chambers for  $|\eta| < 2.0$  and one layer of cathode-strip chambers followed by two layers of drift-tube chambers for  $2.0 < |\eta| < 2.7$ . Additional resistive-plate and thin-gap chambers provide muon triggering capability and measurement of the  $\varphi$  coordinate.

The data used in the electron channel are recorded with a trigger requiring the presence of an EM cluster (i.e. an energy cluster in the EM compartment of the calorimeter) with energy corresponding to an electron with  $p_T > 80$  GeV. This substantial increase over the  $p_{\rm T}$  threshold used in the previous analysis [4] is required to maintain high efficiency (above 99 %) and keep the trigger rate at a tolerable level for the high luminosity used to acquire the bulk of the data. For the muon channel, matching tracks in the muon spectrometer and inner detector with combined  $p_{\rm T} > 22 \text{ GeV}$ are used to select events. Events are also recorded if a muon with  $p_{\rm T} > 40 \text{ GeV}$  is found in the muon spectrometer. These are the same  $p_{\rm T}$  thresholds used in the previous analysis and, despite stricter hit requirements imposed for the higherluminosity data, the muon trigger efficiency remains 80-90 % in the regions of interest.

Each EM cluster with  $E_{\rm T} > 85$  GeV and  $|\eta| < 1.37$  or  $1.52 < |\eta| < 2.47$  is considered as an electron candidate if it matches an inner detector track. The electron direction is defined as that of the reconstructed track and its energy as that of the cluster, with a small  $\eta$ -dependent energy scale correction. The energy resolution is 2 % for  $E_{\rm T} \approx 50$  GeV and approaches 1 % in the high- $E_{\rm T}$  range relevant to this analysis. To discriminate against hadronic jets, requirements are

imposed on the lateral shower shapes in the first two layers of the EM compartment of the calorimeter and on the fraction of energy leaking into the hadronic compartment. A hit in the first pixel layer is required to reduce background from photon conversions in the inner detector material. These requirements result in about 90 % identification efficiency for electrons with  $E_{\rm T} > 85$  GeV and a 2 × 10<sup>-4</sup> probability to falsely identify jets as electrons before isolation requirements are imposed [9].

Muons are required to have  $p_T > 25$  GeV, where the momentum of the muon is obtained by combining the inner detector and muon spectrometer measurements. The  $p_T$  threshold allows the high trigger efficiency. To ensure precise measurement of the momentum, muons are required to have hits in all three muon layers and are restricted to those  $\eta$ -ranges where the muon spectrometer alignment is best understood: approximately  $|\eta| < 1.0$  and  $1.3 < |\eta| < 2.0$ . The average momentum resolution is about 15 % at  $p_T = 1$  TeV. About 80 % of the muons in these  $\eta$ -ranges are reconstructed, with most of the loss coming from regions with limited detector coverage.

The missing  $E_{\rm T}$  in each event is evaluated by summing over energy-calibrated physics objects (jets, photons and leptons) and adding corrections for calorimeter deposits away from these objects [10]. This is an improvement over the previous analysis which did not include the energy calibration.

This analysis makes use of all the  $\sqrt{s} = 7$  TeV data collected in 2011 for which the relevant detector systems were operating properly. The integrated luminosity for the data used in this study is 4.7 fb<sup>-1</sup> in both the electron and muon decay channels. The uncertainty on this measurement is 3.9 % [11, 12].

#### **3** Simulation

Except for the QCD background, which is measured with data, expected signal and background levels are evaluated using simulated samples, normalised with calculated cross sections and the integrated luminosity of the data.

The W' signal and the W/Z boson backgrounds are generated with PYTHIA 6.421 [13] using the modified leading-order (LO) parton distribution functions (PDFs) of Ref. [14]. PYTHIA is also used for the  $W^* \rightarrow \ell \nu$  event generation, but with initial kinematics generated at LO with COMPHEP [15] using the CTEQ6L1 PDFs [16]. The  $t\bar{t}$ background is generated with MC@NLO 3.41 [17] using the CTEQ6.6 [18] PDFs. For all samples, final-state photon radiation is handled by PHOTOS [19]. The ATLAS full detector simulation [20] based on GEANT4 [21] is used to propagate the particles and account for the response of the detector. The PYTHIA signal model for W' has V-A SM couplings to fermions but does not include interference between W and W'. For both W' and W\*, decays to channels other than ev and  $\mu v$ , including  $\tau v$ , ud, sc and tb, are included in the calculation of the widths but are not explicitly included as signal or background. At high mass ( $m_{W'} > 1$  TeV), the branching fraction to each of the lepton decay channels is 8.2 %.

The  $W \rightarrow \ell \nu$  events are reweighted to have the NNLO (next-to-next-to-leading-order) QCD mass dependence of ZWPROD [22] following the  $G_{\mu}$  scheme [23] and using the MSTW2008 PDFs [24]. Higher-order electroweak corrections (in addition to the photon radiation included in the simulation) are calculated using HORACE [23, 25]. In the high-mass region of interest, the electroweak corrections reduce the cross sections by 11 % at  $m_{\ell\nu} = 1$  TeV and by 18 % at  $m_{\ell\nu} = 2$  TeV.

The  $W \rightarrow \ell \nu$  and  $Z \rightarrow \ell \ell$  cross sections are calculated at NNLO using FEWZ [26, 27] with the same PDFs, scheme and electroweak corrections used in the ZWPROD event reweighting. The  $W' \rightarrow \ell \nu$  cross sections are calculated in the same way, except the electroweak corrections beyond final-state radiation are not included because the calculation for the SM *W* cannot be applied directly. The  $t\bar{t}$  cross section is calculated at approximate-NNLO [28–30] assuming a top-quark mass of 172.5 GeV. The  $W^* \rightarrow \ell \nu$  cross-section evaluation is performed with COMPHEP using the CTEQ6L1 PDFs (i.e. same as the event generation). The signal and most important background cross sections are listed in Table 1.

Cross-section uncertainties for  $W' \rightarrow \ell \nu$  and the W/Z [9] and  $t\bar{t}$  [31] backgrounds are estimated from the MSTW2008 PDF error sets, the difference between the MSTW2008 and CTEQ6.6 PDFs, and variation of renormalization and factorization scales by a factor of two. The estimates from the three sources are combined in quadrature. Most of the net uncertainty comes from the PDF error sets and the MSTW-CTEQ difference, in roughly equal proportion. The  $W^* \rightarrow \ell \nu$  cross-section uncertainties are evaluated with the CTEQ61 [16] PDF error sets.

#### 4 Event selection

The primary vertex for each event is required to have at least three tracks with  $p_T > 0.4$  GeV and to have a longitudinal distance less than 200 mm from the center of the collision region. Due to the high luminosity, there are an average of more than ten additional interactions per event in the data used for this analysis. The primary vertex is defined to be the one with the highest summed track  $p_T^2$ . Spurious tails in missing  $E_T$ , arising from calorimeter noise and other detector problems are suppressed by checking the quality of

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**Table 1** Calculated values of  $\sigma B$  for  $W' \to \ell \nu$ ,  $W^* \to \ell \nu$  and the leading backgrounds. The value for  $t\overline{t} \to \ell X$  includes all final states with at least one lepton  $(e, \mu \text{ or } \tau)$ . The others are exclusive and are used for both  $\ell = e$  and  $\ell = \mu$ . All calculations are NNLO except  $W^*$  which is LO and  $t\overline{t}$  which is approximate-NNLO

Process	Mass [GeV]	σ <i>B</i> [pb]
$W' \rightarrow \ell \nu$	300	130.5
	400	41.6
	500	17.25
	600	8.27
	750	3.20
	1000	0.837
	1250	0.261
	1500	0.0887
	1750	0.0325
	2000	0.0126
	2250	0.00526
	2500	0.00235
	2750	0.001156
	3000	0.000643
$W^* \to \ell \nu$	400	29.6
	500	12.6
	750	2.34
	1000	0.610
	1250	0.188
	1500	0.0636
	1750	0.0226
	2000	0.00819
	2250	0.00299
	2500	0.000109
	2750	0.000391
	3000	0.000138
$W \rightarrow \ell \nu$		10460
$Z/\gamma^* \to \ell\ell$		989
$(m_{Z/\gamma^*} > 60 \; {\rm GeV})$		
$t\bar{t} \rightarrow \ell X$		89.4

each reconstructed jet and discarding events where any jet has a shape indicating such problems, following Ref. [32]. In addition, the inner detector track associated with the electron or muon is required to be compatible with originating from the primary vertex, specifically to have transverse distance of closest approach  $|d_0| < 1$  mm and longitudinal distance at this point  $|z_0| < 5$  mm in the electron channel. For the muon channel, the requirements are  $|d_0| < 0.2$  mm and  $|z_0| < 1$  mm. Events are required to have exactly one candidate electron or one candidate muon satisfying these requirements.

To suppress the QCD background, the lepton is required to be isolated. In the electron channel, the isolation energy is measured with the calorimeter in a cone  $\Delta R < 0.4$ 

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**Table 2** Expected numbers of events from the various background sources in each decay channel for  $m_T > 794$  GeV, the region used to search for a W' with a mass of 1000 GeV in the electron and muon channels. The  $W \to \ell v$  and  $Z \to \ell \ell$  entries include the expected contributions from the *t*-lepton. The uncertainties are those from the Monte Carlo statistics

	ev	$\mu \nu$
$W \rightarrow \ell \nu$	14.2±0.5	11.2±0.5
$Z \to \ell \ell$	$0.022 \pm 0.001$	$0.76 {\pm} 0.01$
diboson	$1.2{\pm}0.2$	$0.71 \pm 0.15$
tī	$0.24{\pm}0.11$	$0.09 {\pm} 0.05$
QCD	$0.8{\pm}0.3$	-
Total	$16.5 {\pm} 0.6$	$12.8 {\pm} 0.5$

 $(\Delta R \equiv \sqrt{(\Delta \eta)^2 + (\Delta \varphi)^2})$  around the electron track, and the requirement is  $\sum E_{\rm T} < 9$  GeV, where the sum includes all calorimeter energy clusters in the cone excluding the core energy deposited by the electron. The sum is corrected to account for additional interactions and leakage of the electron energy outside this core. In the muon channel, the isolation energy is measured using inner detector tracks with  $p_{\rm T}^{\rm trk} > 1$  GeV in a cone  $\Delta R < 0.3$  around the muon track. The isolation requirement is  $\sum p_{\rm T}^{\rm trk} < 0.05 \ p_{\rm T}$ , where the muon track is excluded from the sum. The scaling of the threshold with the muon  $p_{\rm T}$  reduces efficiency losses due to radiation from the muon at high  $p_{\rm T}$ .

Missing  $E_{\rm T}$  thresholds are imposed to further suppress the background from QCD and W+jets (events where the SM W recoils against hadronic jets). In both channels, the threshold used for the charged lepton  $p_{\rm T}$  is also applied to the missing  $E_{\rm T}$ :  $E_{\rm T}^{\rm miss} > 85$  GeV for the electron channel and  $E_{\rm T}^{\rm miss} > 25$  GeV for the muon channel.

The above constitute the event preselection requirements. An  $m_{\rm T}$  threshold varying with W' or  $W^*$  mass and decay channel is applied after preselection to establish the final event counts.

In the electron channel, the QCD background is estimated from data using the *ABCD* technique [33] with the isolation energy and missing  $E_{\rm T}$  serving as discriminants. Consistent results are obtained using the *inverted isolation* technique described in Ref. [3].

The QCD background for the muon channel is evaluated using the *matrix method* [31]. This background is less than 1% of the total background, and so it is neglected in the following.

The same reconstruction and event selection are applied to both data and simulated samples. Figure 2 shows the charged lepton  $p_T$ , missing  $E_T$ , and  $m_T$  spectra for events with  $m_T > 200$  GeV in each channel after event preselection. The data, the expected background, and three examples of W' signals at different masses are shown. The  $m_T$  threshold, which is below that used in all of the final selections, discriminates against the W+jets and QCD backgrounds.



**Fig. 2** Spectra of charged lepton  $p_T$  (*top*), missing  $E_T$  (*center*) and  $m_T$  (*bottom*) for the electron (*left*) and muon (*right*) channels for events with  $m_T > 200$  GeV after event preselection. The points represent data and the filled histograms show the stacked backgrounds. Open histograms are  $W' \rightarrow \ell v$  signals added to the background with masses in GeV indicated in parentheses in the legend. The QCD backgrounds

The  $m_T$  spectra for the data and expected background are consistent within statistical and systematic uncertainties.

Table 2 shows the contributions to the background for  $m_T > 794$  GeV, the region used to search for a W' with a mass of 1000 GeV. The  $W \rightarrow \ell \nu$  background dominates and the background for the electron channel is higher than that for muons because of the difference in acceptance.



estimated from data are also shown. The signal and other background samples are normalised using the integrated luminosity of the data and the NNLO (approximate-NNLO for  $t\bar{t}$ ) cross sections listed in Table 1. The error bars on the data and background sums are statistical, i.e. the latter do not include the systematic uncertainties used in the statistical analysis

#### 5 Statistical analysis and systematics

Discovery significance and  $\sigma B$  limits are evaluated independently for W' and  $W^*$  following the same procedure as for the previous analysis [4]. The observed number of events  $N_{\rm obs}$  is the count after final selection including the requirement  $m_{\rm T} > m_{\rm T_{min}}$ , with that threshold chosen sepa-

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**Table 3** Event selection efficiencies for the  $W' \rightarrow ev$  and  $W' \rightarrow \mu v$  searches. The first three columns are the W' mass,  $m_{T}$  threshold and decay channel. The next two are the signal selection efficiency,  $\varepsilon_{sig}$ , and the prediction for the number of signal events,  $N_{sig}$ , obtained with this efficiency. The uncertainty on  $N_{sig}$  includes contributions from the uncertainty on the troos sections but not from that on the integrated luminosity

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**Table 4** Event selection efficiencies for the  $W^* \rightarrow ev$  and  $W^* \rightarrow \mu v$  searches. The first three columns are the  $W^*$  mass,  $m_T$  threshold and decay channel. The next two are the signal selection efficiency,  $s_{sig}$ , and the prediction for the number of signal events,  $N_{sig}$ , obtained with this efficiency. The uncertainty on  $N_{sig}$  includes contributions from the uncertainty on the cross sections but not from that on the integrated luminosity

$m_{W'}$ [GeV]	$m_{\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{min}}}$ [GeV]		$\varepsilon_{\rm sig}$	Nsig
300	251	ev	$0.288 \pm 0.023$	176000±19000
		$\mu v$	$0.186 \pm 0.016$	$114000 \pm 13000$
400	355	ev	$0.237 \pm 0.023$	$46200 \pm 5600$
		$\mu v$	$0.153\pm0.018$	$30000 \pm 4100$
500	447	ev	$0.237 \pm 0.023$	$19200 \pm 2300$
		μν	$0.145\pm0.019$	$11700 \pm 1800$
600	501	ev	$0.307 \pm 0.024$	$11900 \pm 1300$
		μν	$0.195 \pm 0.017$	$7600 \pm 900$
750	631	ev	$0.297 \pm 0.023$	$4470 \pm 470$
		$\mu v$	$0.189 \pm 0.016$	$2840 \pm 320$
1000	794	ev	$0.339 \pm 0.023$	$1330 \pm 130$
		μν	$0.223\pm0.015$	877±90
1250	1000	ev	$0.323 \pm 0.024$	395±47
		$\mu v$	$0.212\pm0.019$	259±34
1500	1122	ev	$0.351 \pm 0.026$	$146 \pm 20$
		$\mu v$	$0.237 \pm 0.021$	99±14
1750	1413	ev	$0.280\pm0.024$	42.7±6.8
		$\mu v$	$0.179 \pm 0.024$	27.3±5.2
2000	1413	ev	$0.317 \pm 0.025$	$18.8 {\pm} 3.2$
		$\mu v$	$0.215\pm0.022$	12.7±2.3
2250	1413	ev	$0.315\pm0.022$	$7.8 {\pm} 1.5$
		$\mu\nu$	$0.218 \pm 0.017$	$5.4{\pm}1.0$
2500	1413	ev	$0.276 \pm 0.024$	3.1±1.4
		$\mu v$	$0.184 \pm 0.024$	$2.0{\pm}1.0$
2750	1413	ev	$0.217 \pm 0.020$	$1.18{\pm}0.59$
		$\mu\nu$	$0.149 \pm 0.020$	$0.81 {\pm} 0.41$
3000	1413	ev	$0.143 \pm 0.027$	$0.43 {\pm} 0.25$
		$\mu v$	$0.106 \pm 0.031$	$0.32{\pm}0.20$

 $m_{T_{min}}$  [GeV] Nsig  $m_{W^*}$  [GeV]  $\varepsilon_{sig}$  $0.189 \pm 0.021$ 26300±3200 400 316 ev μν  $0.118 \pm 0.020$  $16400 \pm 2900$ 500 398 ev  $0.182\pm0.020$ 10800±1300  $0.114 \pm 0.021$ 6740±1300 μν 750 562 ev  $0.224\pm0.021$  $2460 \pm 270$  $0.143 \pm 0.019$  $1570 \pm 230$  $\mu v$ 1000  $0.267 \pm 0.022$ 766±83 708 ev  $0.172 \pm 0.017$  $493 \pm 60$ μv 1250 891  $0.254 \pm 0.021$  $225\pm26$ ev 794  $0.216 \pm 0.015$  $192 \pm 21$  $\mu v$ 1500 1122 ev  $0.212\pm0.021$ 63.5±9.0 1000  $0.192\pm0.016$ 57.5±7.5 μν 1750  $0.330\pm0.023$  $35.0 {\pm} 5.0$ 1122 ev  $0.208 \pm 0.016$ 22.1±3.2  $\mu v$ 2000 1413  $0.258\pm0.021$  $9.9 \pm 1.7$ ev  $0.156 \pm 0.018$  $6.0 \pm 1.2$  $\mu\nu$ 2250 1413  $0.338 \pm 0.024$  $4.8 \pm 1.0$ ev  $0.211\pm0.016$ 2.97±0.63  $\mu\nu$ 2500 1413 ev  $0.397 \pm 0.025$  $2.03 \pm 0.53$  $0.241 \pm 0.016$  $1.23 {\pm} 0.32$ μν 2750 1413 ev  $0.449 \pm 0.027$  $0.83 \pm 0.28$  $0.260\pm0.016$ 0.48±0.16 μν 3000 1413 ev  $0.475 \pm 0.029$ 0.31±0.13  $\mu v$  $0.276 \pm 0.016$  $0.179 \pm 0.077$ 

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and the same prior distributions for  $N_{bg}$  and  $L_{int}$ . Each of the observed posteriors is used to evaluate an observed limit on  $\sigma B$ , and the ensemble of expected posteriors provides the corresponding expected limit distribution. All

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limits are at 95 % CL (credibility level). Discovery significance is assessed from the fraction of the expected posteriors that are more signal-like than the observation.

The values and uncertainties for  $\varepsilon_{sig}$  are presented in Tables 3 and 4, and those for  $N_{bg}$  and  $N_{obs}$  in Table 5. The  $\varepsilon_{sig}$  tables also give the predicted numbers of signal events,  $N_{sig}$ , with their uncertainties accounting for the uncertainties in both  $\varepsilon_{sig}$  and the cross-section calculations.

The maximum value for the  $W' \rightarrow \ell \nu$  signal selection efficiency is at  $m_{W'} = 1500$  GeV. For lower masses, the efficiency falls because the relative  $m_{\rm T}$  threshold,  $m_{\rm T_{min}}/m_{W'}$ , is increased to reduce the background level. For higher masses, the efficiency falls because a large fraction of the cross section goes via off-shell production with  $m_{\ell\nu} \ll m_{W'}$ . This effect is not seen for  $W^* \rightarrow \ell \nu$  because its derivative couplings [6] suppress off-shell production at low mass.

The fraction of fully simulated signal events that pass the event selection and are above the  $m_{\rm T}$  threshold provides the initial estimate of  $\varepsilon_{\rm sig}$  for each channel and mass. For W',

**Table 5** Background levels and observed counts for the  $W' \rightarrow \ell \nu$  and  $W^* \rightarrow \ell \nu$  searches in both the electron and muon channels. The first two columns are the  $m_{\rm T}$  threshold and decay channel, followed by the expected number of background events,  $N_{\rm bg}$ , and the number of events observed in data,  $N_{\rm obs}$ . The uncertainty on  $N_{\rm bg}$  includes contributions from the uncertainties on the cross sections but not from that on the integrated luminosity

m <sub>T<sub>min</sub> [GeV]</sub>		N <sub>bg</sub>	Nobs
251	ev	3190±260	3105
	μν	1950±190	2023
316	ev	$1240 \pm 100$	1229
	μν	773±72	750
355	ev	761±64	734
	$\mu \nu$	492±44	491
398	ev	467±39	474
	$\mu \nu$	$285 \pm 26$	307
447	ev	277±24	293
	$\mu \nu$	178±15	179
501	ev	164±14	159
	μν	113±10	117
562	ev	95.8±8.4	90
	$\mu \nu$	$66.2 \pm 5.8$	64
631	ev	54.5±5.2	56
	$\mu \nu$	$40.0 \pm 3.7$	29
708	ev	30.7±3.0	30
	$\mu \nu$	22.7±2.2	13
794	ev	$16.5 \pm 1.7$	16
	$\mu \nu$	$12.8 \pm 1.4$	11
891	ev	9.0±1.0	14
1000	ev	$5.15 \pm 0.69$	7
	$\mu \nu$	$3.86{\pm}0.58$	6
1122	ev	$2.57{\pm}0.42$	2
	$\mu\nu$	2.21±0.34	3
1413	ev	$0.64{\pm}0.18$	0
	$\mu \nu$	$0.51 \pm 0.12$	1

small corrections are then made to account for the difference in acceptance at NNLO (obtained from FEWZ) and that in the LO simulation. These vary from a 10 % increase for  $m_{W'} = 500$  GeV to an 11 % decrease for  $m_{W'} = 2500$  GeV. Contributions from  $W' \rightarrow \tau v$  with the  $\tau$ -lepton decaying leptonically have been neglected. These would increase the W' signal strength by 3–4 % for the highest masses. The background level is estimated for each mass by summing the EW and  $t\bar{t}$  event counts from simulation, and adding the small QCD contribution in the electron channel.

The uncertainties on  $\varepsilon_{\rm sig}$ ,  $N_{\rm bg}$  and  $L_{\rm int}$  account for experimental and theoretical systematic effects as well as the statistics of the simulation samples. The uncertainty on  $L_{\rm int}$  is included separately to allow for the correlation between signal and background. The experimental systematic uncer-

**Table 6** Relative uncertainties on the event selection efficiency and background level for a W' with a mass of 1500 GeV. The efficiency uncertainties include contributions from the trigger, reconstruction and event selection. The cross-section uncertainty for  $\varepsilon_{sig}$  is that assigned to the acceptance correction described in the text. The cross-section uncertainty on  $N_{bg}$  is that from the cross-section calculations. The last row gives the total uncertainties

Source	$\varepsilon_{\rm sig}$		N <sub>bg</sub>		
	eν	μν	ev	μν	
Efficiency	5 %	2 %	4 %	2 %	
Energy/momentum resolution	-	1 %	3 %	_	
Energy/momentum scale	2 %	-	4 %	_	
Missing E <sub>T</sub>	-	-	2 %	4 %	
QCD background	-	-	4 %	_	
Monte Carlo statistics	5 %	9 %	10 %	9 %	
Cross section (shape/level)	3 %	3 %	12 %	12 %	
Total	7%	9 %	17 %	16 %	

tainties include efficiencies for the electron or muon trigger, reconstruction and selection. Lepton momentum and missing  $E_{\rm T}$  response, characterised by scale and resolution, are also included. Most of these performance metrics are measured at relatively low  $p_{\rm T}$  and their values are extrapolated to the high- $p_{\rm T}$  regime relevant to this analysis. The uncertainties in these extrapolations are included but their contributions are small compared to the total uncertainty on  $\varepsilon_{sig}$ or  $N_{bg}$ . The uncertainty on the QCD background estimate also contributes to the background-level uncertainties for the electron channel. Theoretical uncertainties include those from the cross-section calculations (see Sect. 3) and from the W' acceptance corrections. The values for the uncertainties are similar to those obtained in the previous analysis. Table 6 summarizes the uncertainties on the event selection efficiencies and background levels for the  $W' \rightarrow \ell \nu$  signal with  $m_{W'} = 1500 \text{ GeV}$  using  $m_{\text{T}} > 1122 \text{ GeV}$ .

## 6 Results

None of the observations for any mass point in either channel or their combination shows an excess with significance above three sigma, so there is no evidence for the observation of  $W' \rightarrow \ell \nu$  or  $W^* \rightarrow \ell \nu$ . Tables 7 and 8 and Fig. 3 present the 95 % CL observed limits on  $\sigma B$  for both  $W' \rightarrow \ell \nu$  and  $W^* \rightarrow \ell \nu$  in the electron channel, the muon channel and their combination. The tables also give the limits obtained without systematic uncertainties and with various subsets. The uncertainties on the signal efficiency have very little effect on the final limits, and the background-level and luminosity uncertainties are important only for the lowest masses. The figure also shows the expected limits and the

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 $m_{W'}$  [GeV]

**Table 7** Observed upper limits on  $\sigma B$  for  $W' \to ev$ ,  $W' \to \mu v$  and the combination of the two. The *first two columns* are the W' mass and decay channel. The *following columns* are the 95 % CL limits with headers indicating the nuisance parameters for which uncertainties are included: S for the event selection efficiency ( $\varepsilon_{sig}$ ), B for the background level ( $N_{bg}$ ), and L for the integrated luminosity ( $L_{int}$ ). These values neglect correlations between the two channels for the combined limit. The only important correlation, that from the background cross section, is included in the column SB<sub>c</sub>L. The last column in each row (SBL for *e* and  $\mu$  and SB<sub>c</sub>L for *e* $\mu$ ) is the final limit (including all systematic uncertainties) for the mass listed in the first column. These are the limits shown in Fig. 3 (left)

95 % CL limit on  $\sigma B$  [fb]

$m_{W'}$ [GeV	n	95 % C	L limit on	σ <i>B</i> [fb]		
		none	S	SB	SBL	SB <sub>c</sub> L
3000	е	4.5	5.0	5.0	5.0	
	$\mu$	8.7	15	15	15	
	eμ	3.5	3.7	3.7	3.7	3.7

 Table 8 Observed upper limits on  $\sigma B$  for  $W^* \to ev$ ,  $W^* \to \mu v$  and the combination of the two. The columns are as for Table 7. The final (rightmost) limits are shown in Fig. 3 (right)

		none	S	SB	SBL	SB <sub>c</sub> L	(rightmost) limits are shown in Fig. 3 (right)						
300	P	50 51 356 500		<i>m</i> <sub><i>W</i>*</sub> [GeV]	/* [GeV]		CL limit or	n <i>σ B</i> [fb]					
500	μ	173	179	514	557				none	S	SB	SBL	SB <sub>c</sub> L
	eμ	61	62	295	329	389	400	0	68	71	236	264	
400	е	36	37	111	124		400		68	75	250	204	
	$\mu$	62	65	140	153			μ 011	47	18	167	186	222
	$e\mu$	30	30	84	92	110	500	eμ	57	40 60	114	125	222
500	е	43	44	65	70		500	e	03	106	160	125	
	$\mu$	42	44	64	69			μ	93 57	50	06	104	116
	$e\mu$	32	32	47	50	56	750	eμ	16	17	20	24	110
600	е	16	17	25	27		750	е	10	17	22	24	
	$\mu$	28	29	36	39			$\mu$	23	25	30	31	10
	$e\mu$	14	14	21	22	24	1000	eμ	13	13	1/	18	19
750	е	12	13	15	15		1000	е	10	10	11	11	
	$\mu$	9.0	9.2	11	11			$\mu$	7.0	7.2	7.8	8.1	
	$e\mu$	6.8	6.8	8.1	8.4	9.2	9.2	eμ	5.0	5.1	5.6	5.8	6.2
1000	е	5.6	6.0	6.3	6.5		1250	е	11	11	11	11	
	$\mu$	7.1	7.2	7.5	7.7			$\mu$	7.3	7.4	7.8	7.9	
	eμ	4.1	4.1	4.4	4.4	4.6		$e\mu$	6.7	6.7	6.9	7.0	7.2
1250	е	5.5	5.5	5.6	5.7		1500	е	4.6	4.7	4.8	4.8	
	$\mu$	8.2	8.4	8.5	8.6			$\mu$	9.0	9.2	9.3	9.4	
	eμ	4.7	4.7	4.8	4.9	4.9		$e\mu$	4.2	4.3	4.3	4.3	4.4
1500	е	2.8	2.8	2.9	2.9		1750	е	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	
	$\mu$	5.2	5.4	5.4	5.4			$\mu$	6.0	6.1	6.1	6.2	
	$e\mu$	2.3	2.3	2.3	2.4	2.4		$e\mu$	2.5	2.5	2.6	2.6	2.6
1750	е	2.3	2.3	2.3	2.3		2000	е	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	
	$\mu$	5.2	5.5	5.5	5.5			$\mu$	5.9	6.2	6.2	6.2	
	eμ	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9		$e\mu$	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.1	2.1
2000	е	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.1		2250	е	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	
	$\mu$	4.3	4.4	4.5	4.5			$\mu$	4.4	4.5	4.5	4.5	
	eμ	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.6		$e\mu$	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.6
2250	е	2.0	2.1	2.1	2.1		2500	е	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	
	$\mu$	4.2	4.3	4.3	4.4			$\mu$	3.8	3.9	3.9	3.9	
	eμ	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.6		$e\mu$	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.4	1.4
2500	е	2.3	2.4	2.4	2.4		2750	е	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	
	$\mu$	5.0	5.3	5.3	5.3			$\mu$	3.6	3.6	3.6	3.6	
	еµ	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9		eμ	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2
2750	е	2.9	3.0	3.0	3.0		3000	е	1.3	1.4	1.4	1.4	
	$\mu$	6.2	6.6	6.6	6.7			$\mu$	3.4	3.4	3.4	3.4	
	еµ	2.3	2.4	2.4	2.4	2.4		еμ	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1

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**Fig. 3** Expected and observed limits on  $\sigma B$  for  $W' \rightarrow \ell v$  (*left*) and  $W^* \rightarrow \ell v$  (*right*) in the electron channel (*top*), muon channel (*center*) and combined (*bottom*) assuming the same branching fraction for both

channels. The calculated values for  $\sigma B$  (NNLO for W' and LO for  $W^*$ ) and their uncertainties are also shown

theoretical  $\sigma B$  for an SSM W' and for a  $W^*$  with quark and gluon coupling strengths normalised to reproduce the W' width. The intersection between the central theoretical prediction and the observed limits provides the 95 % CL lower limits on the mass. Table 9 presents the expected and ob-

**Table 9** W' and  $W^*$  mass limits for the electron and muon decay channels and their combination. The first column is the decay channel and the following give the expected (Exp.) and observed (Obs.) mass limits for the SSM W' and for the  $W^*$  with equivalent couplings (i.e. chosen to produce the same decay width as the SSM W'). Masses below the reported limit are excluded by this search

	Mass limit [TeV]							
	W'		$W^*$					
	Exp.	Obs.	Exp.	Obs.				
е	2.50	2.50	2.38	2.38				
$\mu$	2.38	2.28	2.25	2.09				
eμ	2.55	2.55	2.42	2.42				



Fig. 4 Normalised cross-section limits ( $\sigma_{limit}/\sigma_{SSM}$ ) for  $W' \rightarrow \ell \nu$  as a function of mass for this measurement and from CDF, CMS and the previous ATLAS search. The cross-section calculations assume the W'has the same couplings as the SM W boson. The region above each curve is excluded at the 95 % CL

served W' and  $W^*$  mass limits for the electron and muon decay channels and their combination.

The limits presented here are a significant improvement over those reported in previous ATLAS analyses. Figure 4 shows the new and previous ATLAS  $\sigma B$  limits for  $W' \rightarrow \ell v$  along with the most recent results from CMS [2] and CDF [1]. Compared with the previous ATLAS results, the limits presented here cover a wider mass range and are about a factor of five lower at the upper end of the range where they overlap. Limits from CMS based on data from the same LHC run period are similar.

#### 7 Conclusions

The ATLAS detector has been used to search for new highmass states decaying to a lepton plus missing  $E_{\rm T}$  in pp collisions at  $\sqrt{s} = 7$  TeV using 4.7 fb<sup>-1</sup> of integrated luminosity. No excess beyond SM expectations is observed. Bayesian limits on  $\sigma B$  are shown in Figs. 3 and 4. A W' with SSM

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couplings is excluded for  $m_{W'} < 2.55$  TeV at the 95 % CL and a  $W^*$  with equivalent couplings for  $m_{W^*} < 2.42$  TeV.

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# Search for new particles in events with one lepton and missing transverse momentum in pp collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 8$ TeV with the ATLAS detector



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ABSTRACT: This paper presents a search for new particles in events with one lepton (electron or muon) and missing transverse momentum using 20.3 fb<sup>-1</sup> of proton-proton collision data at  $\sqrt{s} = 8$  TeV recorded by the ATLAS experiment at the Large Hadron Collider. No significant excess beyond Standard Model expectations is observed. A W' with Sequential Standard Model couplings is excluded at the 95% confidence level for masses up to 3.24 TeV. Excited chiral bosons ( $W^*$ ) with equivalent coupling strengths are excluded for masses up to 3.21 TeV. In the framework of an effective field theory limits are also set on the dark matternucleon scattering cross-section as well as the mass scale  $M_*$  of the unknown mediating interaction for dark matter pair production in association with a leptonically decaying W.

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## 1 Introduction

High-energy collisions at CERN's Large Hadron Collider (LHC) provide new opportunities to search for physics beyond the Standard Model (SM). This paper describes such a search in events containing a lepton (electron or muon) and missing transverse momentum using 8 TeV pp collision data collected with the ATLAS detector during 2012, corresponding to a total integrated luminosity of 20.3 fb<sup>-1</sup>.

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The first new-physics scenario that is considered in this paper is the Sequential Standard Model (SSM), the extended gauge model of ref. [1]. This model proposes the existence of additional heavy gauge bosons, of which the charged ones are commonly denoted W'. The W' has the same couplings to fermions as the SM W boson and a width that increases linearly with the W' mass. The coupling of the W' to WZ is set to zero. Similar searches [2–7] have been performed using  $\sqrt{s} = 1.96 \text{ TeV } p\bar{p}$  collision data by the CDF Collaboration,  $\sqrt{s} = 7 \text{ TeV} pp$  collision data by the ATLAS Collaboration as well as  $\sqrt{s} = 7 \text{ TeV}$  and  $\sqrt{s} = 8 \text{ TeV}$  data by the CMS Collaboration.

The second new-physics scenario that is considered originates from ref. [8] and proposes the existence of charged partners, denoted  $W^*$ , of the chiral boson excitations described in ref. [9]. The anomalous (magnetic-moment type) coupling of the  $W^*$  leads to kinematic distributions significantly different from those of the W' as demonstrated in the previous ATLAS search [7] that was performed using 7 TeV pp collision data collected in 2011 corresponding to an integrated luminosity of 4.7 fb<sup>-1</sup>. In the analysis presented in this

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paper the search region is expanded to higher masses and the sensitivity is considerably improved in the region covered by the previous search.

The third new-physics scenario considered is of direct production of weakly interacting candidate dark matter (DM) particles. These particles can be pair-produced at the LHC,  $pp \to \chi \bar{\chi}$ , via a new intermediate state. Since DM particles do not interact with the detector material, these events can be detected if there is associated initial-state radiation of a SM particle [10-13]. The Tevatron and LHC collaborations have reported limits on the cross-section of  $p\bar{p}/pp \rightarrow \chi\bar{\chi} + X$  where X is a hadronic jet [14–16], a photon [17, 18], a hadronically decaying W or Z boson [19] or a leptonically decaying Z boson [20]. Previous LHC results have also been reinterpreted to set limits on the scenario where X is a leptonically decaying W boson [21]. This analysis is the first direct ATLAS search for this case. Limits are reported for the DM-nucleon scattering cross-section as well as the mass scale,  $M_*$ , of a new SM-DM interaction expressed in an effective field theory (EFT) as a fourpoint contact interaction [22–27]. As discussed in the literature, e.g. refs. [28, 29], the EFT formalism is not always an appropriate approximation but this issue is not addressed any further in this paper. Four effective operators are used as a representative set based on the definitions in ref. [13]: D1 scalar, D5 vector (both constructive and destructive interference cases are considered, the former denoted by D5c and the latter by D5d) and D9 tensor.

The analysis presented here identifies event candidates in the electron and muon channels, sets separate limits and then combines these assuming a common branching fraction for the two final states. The kinematic variable used to identify the signal is the transverse mass

$$m_{\rm T} = \sqrt{2p_{\rm T} E_{\rm T}^{\rm miss} (1 - \cos \varphi_{\ell\nu})}, \qquad (1.1)$$

where  $p_{\rm T}$  is the lepton transverse momentum,  $E_{\rm T}^{\rm miss}$  is the magnitude of the missing transverse momentum vector and  $\varphi_{\ell\nu}$  is the angle between the  $p_{\rm T}$  and  $E_{\rm T}^{\rm miss}$  vectors.<sup>1</sup>

The main background to the W',  $W^*$  and DM signals comes from the tail of the  $m_{\rm T}$  distribution from SM W boson production with decays to the same final state. Other relevant backgrounds are Z boson production with decays into two leptons where one lepton is not reconstructed, W or Z production with decays to  $\tau$  leptons where a  $\tau$  subsequently decays to either an electron or a muon, and diboson production. These are collectively referred to as the electroweak (EW) background. There is also a contribution to the background from  $t\bar{t}$  and single-top production, collectively referred to as the top background, which is most important for the lowest  $W'/W^*$  masses considered here, where it constitutes about 10% of the background after event selection in the electron channel and 15% in the muon channel. Other relevant strong-interaction background sources occur when a light or heavy hadron decays semileptonically or when a jet is misidentified as an electron or muon. These are referred to as the multi-jet background in this paper.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>ATLAS uses a right-handed coordinate system with its origin at the nominal interaction point in the centre of the detector and the z-axis along the beam pipe. Cylindrical coordinates  $(r, \varphi)$  are used in the transverse plane,  $\varphi$  being the azimuthal angle around the beam pipe. The pseudorapidity  $\eta$  is defined in terms of the polar angle  $\theta$  by  $\eta = -\ln \tan(\theta/2)$ .

## 2 The ATLAS detector

The ATLAS detector [30] is a multi-purpose particle physics detector with a forwardbackward symmetric cylindrical geometry and nearly  $4\pi$  coverage in solid angle. The AT-LAS detector has three major components: the inner tracking detector (ID), the calorimeter and the muon spectrometer (MS). Tracks and vertices of charged particles are reconstructed with silicon pixel and silicon microstrip detectors covering  $|\eta| < 2.5$  and straw-tube transition radiation detectors covering  $|\eta| < 2.0$ , all immersed in a homogeneous 2 T magnetic field provided by a superconducting solenoid. The ID is surrounded by a hermetic calorimeter that covers  $|\eta| < 4.9$  and provides three-dimensional reconstruction of particle showers. The electromagnetic calorimeter is a liquid argon (LAr) sampling calorimeter, which uses lead absorbers for  $|\eta| < 3.2$  and copper absorbers in the very forward region. The hadronic sampling calorimeter uses plastic scintillator tiles as the active material and iron absorbers in the region  $|\eta| < 1.7$ . In the region  $1.5 < |\eta| < 4.9$ , liquid argon is used as the active material, with copper and/or tungsten absorbers. The MS surrounds the calorimeters and consists of three large superconducting toroid systems (each with eight coils) together with multiple layers of trigger chambers up to  $|\eta| < 2.4$  and tracking chambers, providing precision track measurements, up to  $|\eta| < 2.7$ .

## 3 Trigger and reconstruction

The data used in the electron channel were recorded with a trigger requiring the presence of an energy cluster in the EM compartment of the calorimeter (EM cluster) with  $E_{\rm T} >$ 120 GeV. For the muon channel, matching tracks in the MS and ID with combined  $p_{\rm T} >$ 36 GeV are used to select events. In order to compensate for the small loss in the selection efficiency at high  $p_{\rm T}$  due to this matching, events are also recorded if a muon with  $p_{\rm T} >$ 40 GeV and  $|\eta| < 1.05$  is found in the MS. The average trigger efficiency (measured with respect to reconstructed objects) is above 99% in the electron channel and 80%–90% in the muon channel for the region of interest in this analysis.

Each EM cluster with  $E_{\rm T} > 125 \,{\rm GeV}$  and  $|\eta| < 1.37$  or  $1.52 < |\eta| < 2.47$  is considered as an electron candidate if it is matched to an ID track. The region  $1.37 \le |\eta| \le 1.52$ exhibits degraded energy resolution due to the transition from the central region to the forward regions of the calorimeters and is therefore excluded. The track and the cluster must satisfy a set of identification criteria that are optimised for the conditions of many proton-proton collisions in the same or nearby beam bunch crossings (in-time or out-oftime pile-up, respectively) [31]. These criteria require the shower profiles to be consistent with those expected for electrons and impose a minimum requirement on the amount of transition radiation that is present. In addition, to suppress background from photon conversions, a hit in the first layer of the pixel detector is required if an active pixel sensor is traversed. The electron's energy is obtained from the calorimeter measurements while its direction is obtained from the associated track. In the high- $E_{\rm T}$  range relevant for this analysis, the electromagnetic calorimeter energy resolution is measured in data to be 1.2% in the central region and 1.8% in the forward region [32]. These requirements result in about a 90% identification efficiency for electrons with  $E_{\rm T} > 125 \,{\rm GeV}$ .

Muons are required to have a  $p_{\rm T} > 45 \,\text{GeV}$ , where the momentum of the muon is obtained by combining the ID and MS measurements. To ensure an accurate measurement of the momentum, muons are required to have hits in three MS layers and are restricted to the ranges  $|\eta| < 1.0$  and  $1.3 < |\eta| < 2.0$ . Some of the chambers in the region  $1.0 < |\eta| < 1.3$ were not yet installed, hence the momentum resolution of MS tracks is degraded in this region. Including the muon candidates with an  $\eta$ -range  $2.0 < |\eta| < 2.5$  would lead to an increase in the signal selection efficiency of up to 12% for lower W' masses and of up to 3% for a W' mass of 3 TeV. However, the background levels in the signal region would increase by more than 15%. Therefore, the previously stated  $\eta$  restrictions are retained. For the final selection of good muon candidates, the individual ID and MS momentum measurements are required to be in agreement within 5 standard deviations. The average momentum resolution is about 15%–20% at  $p_{\rm T} = 1 \,\text{TeV}$ . About 80% of the muons in the  $\eta$ -range considered are reconstructed, with most of the loss coming from regions without three MS layers.

The  $E_{\rm T}^{\rm miss}$  in each event is evaluated by summing over energy-calibrated physics objects (jets, photons and leptons) and adding corrections for calorimeter deposits not associated with these objects [33].

This analysis makes use of all of the  $\sqrt{s} = 8 \text{ TeV}$  data collected in 2012 for which the relevant detector systems were operating properly and all data quality requirements were satisfied. The integrated luminosity of the data used in this study is  $20.3 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  for both the electron and muon decay channels. The uncertainty on this measurement is 2.8%, which is derived following the methodology detailed in ref. [34].

#### 4 Monte Carlo simulation

With the exception of the multi-jet background, which is estimated from data, expected signals and backgrounds are evaluated using simulated Monte Carlo samples and normalised using the calculated cross-sections and the integrated luminosity of the data.

The W' signal events are generated at leading order (LO) with PYTHIA v8.165 [35, 36] using the MSTW2008 LO [37] parton distribution functions (PDFs). PYTHIA is also used for the fragmentation and hadronisation of  $W^* \rightarrow \ell \nu$  events that are generated at LO with CALCHEP v3.3.6 [38] using the CTEQ6L1 PDFs [39]. DM signal samples are generated at LO with MADGRAPH5 v1.4.5 [40] using the MSTW2008 LO PDFs, interfaced to PYTHIA v8.165.

The W/Z boson and  $t\bar{t}$  backgrounds are generated at next-to-leading order (NLO) with POWHEG-BOX r1556 [41] using the CT10 NLO [42] PDFs. For the W/Z backgrounds, fragmentation and hadronisation is performed with PYTHIA v8.165, while for  $t\bar{t}$  PYTHIA v6.426 is used. The single-top background is generated at NLO with MC@NLO v4.06 [43] using the CT10 NLO PDFs for the Wt- and s-channels, and with ACERMC v3.8 [44] using the CTEQ6L1 PDFs for the t-channel. Fragmentation and hadronisation for the MC@NLO samples are performed with HERWIG v6.520 [45], using JIMMY v4.31 [46] for the underlying event, whereas PYTHIA v6.426 is used for the ACERMC samples. The WW, WZ and ZZ

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diboson backgrounds are generated at LO with SHERPA v1.4.1 [47] using the CT10 NLO PDFs.

The PYTHIA signal model for W' has V-A SM couplings to fermions but does not include interference between the W and W'. For both W' and  $W^*$ , decay channels beside  $e\nu$  and  $\mu\nu$ , notably  $\tau\nu$ , ud, sc and tb, are included in the calculation of the widths but are not explicitly included as signal or background. At high mass ( $m_{W'} > 1$  TeV), the total width is about 3.5 % of the pole mass, and the branching fraction to each of the lepton decay channels is 8.2%.

For all samples, final-state photon radiation from leptons is handled by PHOTOS [48]. The ATLAS full detector simulation [49] based on GEANT4 [50] is used to propagate the particles and account for the response of the detector. For the underlying event, the AT-LAS tune AUET2B [51] is used for PYTHIA 6 and AU2 [52] is used for PYTHIA 8, while AUET2 [53] is used for the HERWIG with JIMMY. The effect of pile-up is incorporated into the simulation by overlaying additional minimum-bias events generated with PYTHIA onto the generated hard-scatter events. Simulated events are weighted to match the distribution of the number of interactions per bunch crossing observed in data, but are otherwise reconstructed in the same manner as data.

The  $W \to \ell \nu$  and  $Z \to \ell \ell$  cross-sections are calculated at next-to-next-to-leading order (NNLO) in QCD with ZWPROD [54] using MSTW2008 NNLO PDFs. Consistent results are obtained using VRAP v0.9 [55] and FEWZ v3.1b2 [56, 57]. Higher-order electroweak corrections are calculated with MCSANC [58]. Mass-dependent K-factors obtained from the ratios of the calculated higher-order cross-sections to the cross-sections of the generated samples are used to scale  $W^+$ ,  $W^-$  and Z backgrounds separately. The  $W' \to \ell \nu$  crosssections are calculated in the same way, except that the electroweak corrections beyond final-state radiation are not included because the calculation for the SM W cannot be applied directly. Cross sections for  $W^* \to \ell \nu$  are kept at LO due to the non-renormalisability of the model at higher orders in QCD. The  $t\bar{t}$  cross-section is also calculated at NNLO including resummation of next-to-next-to-leading logarithmic (NNLL) soft gluon terms obtained with TOP++ v2.0 [59–64] for a top quark mass of 172.5 GeV. The W', W<sup>\*</sup>, and DM particle signal cross-sections are listed in tables 1 and 2. The most important background cross-sections are listed in table 3.

Uncertainties on the W' cross-section and the W/Z background cross-sections are estimated from variations of the renormalisation and factorisation scales, PDF+ $\alpha_s$  variations and PDF choice. The scale uncertainties are estimated by varying both the renormalisation and factorisation scales simultaneously up or down by a factor of two. The resulting maximum variation from the two fluctuations is taken as the symmetric scale uncertainty. The PDF+ $\alpha_s$  uncertainty is evaluated using 90% confidence level (CL) eigenvector and 90% CL  $\alpha_s$  variations of the nominal MSTW2008 NNLO PDF set and combined with the scale uncertainty in quadrature. The PDF choice uncertainty is evaluated by comparing the central values of the MSTW2008 NNLO, CT10 NNLO, NNPDF 2.3 NNLO [65], ABM11 5N NNLO [66] and HERAPDF 1.5 NNLO [67] PDF sets. The envelope of the PDF central value comparisons and the combination of the scale and PDF+ $\alpha_s$  uncertainties is taken as the total uncertainty on the differential cross-section as a function of the invariant mass of

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Mass	$W' \to \ell \nu$	$W^* \to \ell \nu$
$[\mathrm{GeV}]$	$\sigma B \; [\mathrm{pb}]$	$\sigma B \; [\mathrm{pb}]$
300	149.0	
400	50.2	37.6
500	21.4	16.2
600	10.4	7.95
750	4.16	3.17
1000	1.16	0.882
1250	0.389	0.294
1500	0.146	0.108
1750	0.0581	0.0423
2000	0.0244	0.0171
2250	0.0108	0.00700
2500	0.00509	0.00290
2750	0.00258	0.00120
3000	0.00144	$4.9 \times 10^{-4}$
3250	$8.9{ imes}10^{-4}$	$2.0 \times 10^{-4}$
3500	$5.9{ imes}10^{-4}$	$8.0 \times 10^{-5}$
3750	$4.2 \times 10^{-4}$	$3.2{ imes}10^{-5}$
4000	$3.1{ imes}10^{-4}$	$1.3 { imes} 10^{-5}$

**Table 1.** Predicted values of the cross-section times branching fraction  $(\sigma B)$  for  $W' \to \ell \nu$  and  $W^* \to \ell \nu$ . The  $\sigma B$  for  $W' \to \ell \nu$  are at NNLO while those for  $W^* \to \ell \nu$  are at LO. The values are given per channel, with  $\ell = e$  or  $\mu$ .

the lepton-neutrino system  $(m_{\ell\nu})$ . The PDF and  $\alpha_s$  uncertainties on the  $t\bar{t}$  cross-section are calculated using the PDF4LHC prescription [68] with the MSTW2008 68% CL NNLO, CT10 NNLO and NNPDF2.3 5f FFN PDF error sets added in quadrature to the scale uncertainty. The systematic uncertainty arising from the variation of the top mass by ±1 GeV is also added in quadrature.

An additional uncertainty on the differential cross-section due to the beam energy uncertainty is calculated as function of  $m_{\ell\nu}$  for the charged-current Drell-Yan process with VRAP at NNLO using CT10 NNLO PDFs by taking a 0.66% uncertainty on the energy of each 4 TeV proton beam as determined in ref. [69]. The size of this uncertainty is observed to be about 2% (6%) at  $m_{\ell\nu} = 2$  (3) TeV. The calculated uncertainties are propagated to both the W and  $W'/W^*$  processes in order to derive uncertainties on the background levels as well as the signal selection efficiencies in each signal region.

Uncertainties are not reported on the cross-sections for the  $W^*$  due to the breakdown of higher-order corrections for non-renormalisable models. However, uncertainties on the

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	DM production									
$m_{\chi}$	$\sigma B \ [pb]$									
[GeV]	D1	D1 D5d D5c		D9						
	$M_* = 10 \mathrm{GeV}$	$M_* = 100  {\rm GeV}$	$M_* = 1 \mathrm{TeV}$	$M_* = 1 \mathrm{TeV}$						
1	439	72.2	0.0608	0.0966						
100	332	70.8	0.0575	0.0870						
200	201	58.8	0.0488	0.0695						
400	64.6	32.9	0.0279	0.0365						
1000	1.60	2.37	0.00192	0.00227						
1300	0.213	0.454	0.000351	0.000412						

**Table 2.** Predicted values of  $\sigma B$  for DM signal with different mass values,  $m_{\chi}$ . The values of  $M_*$  used in the calculation for a given operator are also shown. The cross-sections are at LO, and the values are given for the sum of three lepton flavours  $\ell = e, \mu, \tau$ .

Process	$\sigma B \text{ [pb]}$
$W \to \ell \nu$	12190
$Z/\gamma^* \to \ell\ell \ (m_{Z/\gamma^*} > 60 \mathrm{GeV})$	1120
$t\bar{t} \to \ell X$	137.3

**Table 3.** Predicted values of  $\sigma B$  for the leading backgrounds. The value for  $t\bar{t} \rightarrow \ell X$  includes all final states with at least one lepton  $(e, \mu \text{ or } \tau)$ . The others are exclusive and are used for both  $\ell = e$  and  $\ell = \mu$ . All cross-sections are at NNLO.

signal selection efficiency for the  $W^*$  are evaluated using the same relative differential crosssection uncertainty as for the W'. Uncertainties on DM production are evaluated using 68% confidence level eigenvector variations of the nominal MSTW2008 LO PDF set as in [19].

## 5 Event selection

The primary vertex for each event is required to have at least three tracks with  $p_{\rm T} > 0.4 \,{\rm GeV}$  and to have a longitudinal distance less than 200 mm from the centre of the collision region. There are on average 20.7 interactions per event in the data used for this analysis. The primary vertex is defined to be the one with the highest summed track  $p_{\rm T}^2$ . Spurious tails in the  $E_{\rm T}^{\rm miss}$  distribution, arising from calorimeter noise and other detector problems are suppressed by checking the quality of each reconstructed jet and discarding events containing reconstructed jets of poor quality, following the description given in ref. [70]. In addition, the ID track associated with the electron or muon is required to be compatible with originating from the primary vertex by requiring that the transverse distance of closest approach,  $d_0$ , satisfies  $|d_0| < 1 \ (0.2)$  mm and longitudinal distance,  $z_0$ , satisfies  $|z_0| < 5 \ (1)$  mm for the electron (muon). Events are required to have exactly one electron candidate with  $E_{\rm T} > 125 \,{\rm GeV}$  or one muon candidate with  $p_{\rm T} > 45 \,{\rm GeV}$ 

satisfying these requirements and the identification criteria described in section 3. In the electron channel, events having additional electrons with  $E_{\rm T} > 20 \,{\rm GeV}$ , passing all electron identification criteria, are discarded. Similarly, in the muon channel, events having additional muon candidates with a  $p_{\rm T}$  threshold of 20 GeV are discarded.

To suppress the multi-jet background, the lepton is required to be isolated. In the electron channel, the isolation energy is measured with the calorimeter in a cone  $\Delta R = \sqrt{(\Delta \eta)^2 + (\Delta \varphi)^2} = 0.2$  around the electron track, and the requirement is  $\Sigma E_{\rm T}^{\rm calo} < 0.007 \times E_{\rm T} + 5$  GeV, where the sum includes all calorimeter energy clusters in the cone excluding those that are attributed to the electron. The scaling of the isolation requirement with the electron  $E_{\rm T}$  reduces the efficiency loss due to radiation from the electron at high  $E_{\rm T}$ . In the muon channel, the isolation energy is measured using ID tracks with  $p_{\rm T}^{\rm trk} > 1$  GeV in a cone  $\Delta R = 0.3$  around the muon track. The isolation requirement is  $\sum p_{\rm T}^{\rm trk} < 0.05 \times p_{\rm T}$ , where the muon track is excluded from the sum. As in the electron channel, the scaling of the isolation requirement with the muon  $p_{\rm T}$  reduces the efficiency loss due to radiation from the muon at high  $p_{\rm T}$ .

An  $E_{\rm T}^{\rm miss}$  requirement is imposed to select signal events and to further suppress the contributions from the multi-jet and SM W backgrounds. In both channels, the requirement placed on the charged lepton  $p_{\rm T}$  is also applied to the  $E_{\rm T}^{\rm miss}$ :  $E_{\rm T}^{\rm miss} > 125 \,{\rm GeV}$  for the electron channel and  $E_{\rm T}^{\rm miss} > 45 \,{\rm GeV}$  for the muon channel.

The multi-jet background around the Jacobian peak of the  $m_{\rm T}$  distribution is evaluated using the matrix method as described in ref. [71] in both the electron and muon channels. The high-mass tail of the distribution is then fitted by a power-law function in order to determine the level of the multi-jet background in the region used to search for new physics. In the electron channel, the multi-jet background constitutes about 2%–4% of the total background at high  $m_{\rm T}$ . Consistent results are obtained using the *inverted isolation* technique described in ref. [5]. In the muon channel, the multi-jet background constitutes about 1%-3% of the total background at high  $m_{\rm T}$ . The uncertainty of the multi-jet background is determined by varying the selection requirements used to define the control region and by varying the  $m_{\rm T}$  threshold of the fitting range used in the extrapolation to high  $m_{\rm T}$ .

The same reconstruction criteria and event selection are applied to both the data and simulated samples. Figure 1 shows the  $p_{\rm T}$ ,  $E_{\rm T}^{\rm miss}$ , and  $m_{\rm T}$  spectra for each channel after event selection for the data, the expected background and three examples of W'signals at different masses. Prior to investigating if there is evidence for a signal, the agreement between the data and the predicted background is established for events with  $m_{\rm T} < 252 \,{\rm GeV}$ , the lowest  $m_{\rm T}$  threshold used to search for new physics. The optimisation of the  $m_{\rm T}$  thresholds for event selection is described below. The agreement between the data and expected background is good. Table 4 shows an example of how different sources contribute to the background for  $m_{\rm T} > 1500 \,{\rm GeV}$ , the region used to search for a W' with a mass of 2000 GeV. The  $W \to \ell \nu$  background is the dominant contribution for both the electron and muon channels. The  $Z \to \ell \ell$  background in the electron channel is smaller than in the muon channel due to calorimeters having larger  $\eta$  coverage than the MS, and the electron energy resolution being better than the muon momentum resolution at high  $p_{\rm T}$ .

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Figure 1. Spectra of lepton  $p_{\rm T}$  (top),  $E_{\rm T}^{\rm miss}$  (centre) and  $m_{\rm T}$  (bottom) for the electron (left) and muon (right) channels after the event selection. The spectra of  $p_{\rm T}$  and  $E_{\rm T}^{\rm miss}$  are shown with the requirement  $m_{\rm T} > 252 \,{\rm GeV}$ . The points represent data and the filled, stacked histograms show the predicted backgrounds. Open histograms are  $W' \to \ell \nu$  signals added to the background with their masses in GeV indicated in parentheses in the legend. The signal and background samples are normalised using the integrated luminosity of the data and the NNLO cross-sections listed in tables 1 and 3, except for the multi-jet background which is estimated from data. The error bars on the data points are statistical. The ratio of the data to the total background prediction is shown below each of the distributions. The bands represent the systematic uncertainties on the background including the ones arising from the statistical uncertainty of the simulated samples.

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		$e\nu$		$\mu\nu$
$W \to \ell \nu$	2.65	$\pm 0.10$	2.28	$\pm 0.21$
$Z \to \ell \ell$	0.00163	$3 \pm 0.00022$	0.232	$\pm 0.005$
Diboson	0.27	$\pm 0.23$	0.46	$\pm 0.23$
Top	0.0056	$\pm \ 0.0009$	0.0017	$\pm \ 0.0001$
Multi-jet	0.066	$\pm 0.020$	0.046	$\pm 0.039$
Total	2.99	$\pm 0.25$	3.01	$\pm 0.31$

**Table 4**. Expected numbers of events from the various background sources in each decay channel for  $m_{\rm T} > 1500$  GeV, the region used to search for a W' with a mass of 2000 GeV. The  $W \to \ell \nu$  and  $Z \to \ell \ell$  rows include the expected contributions from the  $\tau$ -lepton. The uncertainties are statistical.

## 6 Statistical analysis and systematic uncertainties

A Bayesian analysis is performed to set limits on the studied processes. For each candidate mass and decay channel, events are counted above an  $m_{\rm T}$  threshold. The optimisation of  $m_{\rm Tmin}$  is done separately for  $W' \rightarrow \ell \nu$  and  $W^* \rightarrow \ell \nu$ . For each candidate mass, the  $m_{\rm Tmin}$  values that minimise the expected cross-section limits are obtained in the electron and muon channels separately, but for simplicity the lower value is used in both channels since this has a negligible impact on the final results. A similar optimisation is performed when setting the limits on DM production, and in this case a single  $m_{\rm Tmin}$  is chosen for each operator. The expected number of events in each channel is

$$N_{\rm exp} = \varepsilon_{\rm sig} L_{\rm int} \sigma B + N_{\rm bkg}, \qquad (6.1)$$

where  $L_{\rm int}$  is the integrated luminosity of the data sample,  $\varepsilon_{\rm sig}$  is the signal selection efficiency defined as the fraction of signal events that satisfy the event selection criteria as well as  $m_{\rm T} > m_{\rm Tmin}$ ,  $N_{\rm bkg}$  is the expected number of background events, and  $\sigma B$  is the cross-section times branching fraction. Using Poisson statistics, the likelihood to observe  $N_{\rm obs}$  events is

$$\mathcal{L}(N_{\rm obs}|\sigma B) = \frac{(L_{\rm int}\varepsilon_{\rm sig}\sigma B + N_{\rm bkg})^{N_{\rm obs}} e^{-(L_{\rm int}\varepsilon_{\rm sig}\sigma B + N_{\rm bkg})}}{N_{\rm obs}!}.$$
(6.2)

Uncertainties are included by introducing nuisance parameters  $\theta_i$ , each with a probability density function  $g_i(\theta_i)$ , and integrating the product of the Poisson likelihood with the probability density function. The integrated likelihood is

$$\mathcal{L}_B(N_{\text{obs}}|\sigma B) = \int \mathcal{L}(N_{\text{obs}}|\sigma B) \prod g_i(\theta_i) d\theta_i, \qquad (6.3)$$

where a log-normal distribution is used for the  $g_i(\theta_i)$ . The nuisance parameters are taken to be:  $L_{\text{int}}$ ,  $\varepsilon_{\text{sig}}$  and  $N_{\text{bkg}}$ , with the appropriate correlation accounted for between the first and the third parameters.

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The measurements in the two decay channels are combined assuming the same branching fraction for each. Equation (6.3) remains valid with the Poisson likelihood replaced by the product of the Poisson likelihoods for the two channels. The integrated luminosities for the electron and muon channels are fully correlated. For  $W'/W^* \rightarrow \ell\nu$  the signal selection efficiencies and background levels are partly correlated with each other and between the two channels due to the full correlation of the cross-section uncertainties. If these correlations were not included, the observed  $\sigma B$  limits would improve by 25%–30% for the lowest mass points, a few percent for the intermediate mass points and by about 10% for the highest mass points.

Bayes' theorem gives the posterior probability that the signal has signal strength  $\sigma B$ :

$$P_{\text{post}}(\sigma B|N_{\text{obs}}) = N\mathcal{L}_B(N_{\text{obs}}|\sigma B) P_{\text{prior}}(\sigma B)$$
(6.4)

where  $P_{\text{prior}}(\sigma B)$  is the assumed prior probability, here chosen to be flat in  $\sigma B$ , for  $\sigma B > 0$ . The constant factor N normalises the total probability to one. The posterior probability is evaluated for each mass and decay channel as well as for their combination, and then used to set a limit on  $\sigma B$ .

The inputs for the evaluation of  $\mathcal{L}_B$  (and hence  $P_{\text{post}}$ ) are  $L_{\text{int}}$ ,  $\varepsilon_{\text{sig}}$ ,  $N_{\text{bkg}}$ ,  $N_{\text{obs}}$ and the uncertainties on the first three. The uncertainties on  $\varepsilon_{\text{sig}}$  and  $N_{\text{bkg}}$  account for experimental and theoretical systematic effects as well as the statistics of the simulated samples. The experimental systematic uncertainties include those on the efficiencies of the electron or muon trigger, reconstruction and event/object selection. Uncertainties in the lepton energy/momentum and  $E_{\text{T}}^{\text{miss}}$ , characterised by scale and resolution uncertainties, are also included. Performance metrics are obtained in-situ using well-known processes such as  $Z \rightarrow \ell \ell$  [31, 72, 73]. Since most of these performance metrics are measured at relatively low  $p_{\text{T}}$  their values are extrapolated to the high- $p_{\text{T}}$  regime relevant to this analysis using MC simulation. The uncertainties in these extrapolations are included but are too small to significantly affect the results. Table 5 summarises the uncertainties on the event selection efficiencies and the expected number of background events for the  $W' \rightarrow \ell \nu$  signal with  $m_{W'} = 2000 \text{ GeV}$  using  $m_{\text{T}} > 1500 \text{ GeV}$ , and  $W^*$  signal with  $m_{W^*} = 2000 \text{ GeV}$  using  $m_{\text{T}} > 1337 \text{ GeV}$ .

#### 7 Results

The inputs for the evaluation of  $\mathcal{L}_B$  are listed in tables 6, 7 and 8. The uncertainties on  $\varepsilon_{\rm sig}$  and  $N_{\rm bkg}$  account for all relevant experimental and theoretical effects except for the uncertainty on the integrated luminosity. The latter is included separately and is correlated between signal and background. The tables also list the predicted numbers of signal events,  $N_{\rm sig}$ , with their uncertainties accounting for the uncertainties in both  $\varepsilon_{\rm sig}$  and the cross-section calculation. The maximum value for the signal selection efficiency is at  $m_{W'} = 2000 \,{\rm GeV}$ . For lower masses, the efficiency falls because the relative  $m_{\rm T}$  threshold,  $m_{\rm Tmin}/m_{W'}$ , increases in order to reduce the background level. The contribution from  $W' \to \tau \nu$  with a leptonically decaying  $\tau$  is neglected. It would increase the signal yield

	$\varepsilon_{s}$	sig	$N_{\rm bkg}$		
Source	$e\nu$	$\mu\nu$	$e\nu$	$\mu\nu$	
$W' \to \ell \nu$					
Reconstruction and trigger efficiency	2.5%	4.1%	2.7%	4.1%	
Lepton energy/momentum resolution	0.2%	1.4%	1.9%	18%	
Lepton energy/momentum scale	1.2%	1.8%	3.5%	1.5%	
$E_{\rm T}^{\rm miss}$ scale and resolution	0.1%	0.1%	1.2%	0.5%	
Beam energy	0.5%	0.5%	2.8%	2.1%	
Multi-jet background	-	-	2.2%	3.4%	
Monte Carlo statistics	0.9%	1.3%	8.5%	10%	
Cross-section (shape/level)	2.9%	2.8%	18%	15%	
Total	4.2%	5.6%	21%	27%	
$W^* \to \ell \nu$					
Reconstruction and trigger efficiency	2.7%	4.1%	2.6%	4.0%	
Lepton energy/momentum resolution	0.4%	0.9%	3.0%	17%	
Lepton energy/momentum scale	2.4%	2.4%	3.1%	1.5%	
$E_{\rm T}^{\rm miss}$ scale and resolution	0.1%	0.4%	3.1%	0.6%	
Beam energy	0.1%	0.1%	2.5%	1.9%	
Multi-jet background	-	-	1.8%	2.6%	
Monte Carlo statistics	1.2%	1.8%	6.7%	8.6%	
Cross-section (shape/level)	0.2%	0.2%	17%	15%	
Total	3.9%	5.1%	19%	25%	

**Table 5.** Relative uncertainties on the selection efficiency  $\varepsilon_{sig}$  and expected number of background events  $N_{bkg}$  for a W' (upper part of the table) and  $W^*$  (lower part of the table) with a mass of 2000 GeV. The efficiency uncertainties include contributions from the trigger, reconstruction and event selection. The last row gives the total relative uncertainties.

by 2%–3% for the highest masses. The background level is estimated for each mass by summing over all of the background sources.

The number of observed events is generally in good agreement with the expected number of background events for all mass bins. None of the observations for any mass point in either channel or their combination show a significant excess above background, so there is no evidence for the observation of either  $W' \to \ell\nu$  or  $W^* \to \ell\nu$ . A deficit in the number of observed events with respect to the expected number of background events is observed in the muon channel. This deficit has at most a  $2.2\sigma$  local significance.

Tables 9 and 10 and figure 2 present the 95% confidence level (CL) observed limits on  $\sigma B$  for both  $W' \to \ell \nu$  and  $W^* \to \ell \nu$  in the electron channel, the muon channel and their combination. The tables also give the limits obtained without systematic uncertainties.

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$m_{W'}$ [GeV]	$m_{\mathrm{Tmin}}$ [GeV]	Channel	$\varepsilon_{ m sig}$	$N_{ m sig}$	$N_{\rm bkg}$	$N_{\rm obs}$
300	252	$e\nu$	$0.228 \pm 0.009$	$688000 \pm 28000$	$12900 \pm 820$	12717
000	202	$\mu u$	$0.184 \pm 0.007$	$555000 \pm 21000$	$11300 \pm 770$	10927
400	336	$e\nu$	$0.319 \pm 0.012$	$325000 \pm 12000$	$5280 \pm 360$	5176
100		$\mu\nu$	$0.193 \pm 0.007$	$196000 \pm 7500$	$3490 \pm 250$	3317
500	423	$e\nu$	$0.325 \pm 0.013$	$141000 \pm 5700$	$2070 \pm 150$	2017
000	420	$\mu u$	$0.186 \pm 0.007$	$80900 \pm 3200$	$1370 \pm 100$	1219
600	474	$e\nu$	$0.397 \pm 0.014$	$83800 \pm 2900$	$1260 \pm 96$	1214
000	111	$\mu u$	$0.229 \pm 0.009$	$48200 \pm 1900$	$827 \pm 64$	719
750	507	$e\nu$	$0.393 \pm 0.013$	$33200 \pm 1100$	$456~\pm~45$	414
100	091	$\mu u$	$0.226 \pm 0.009$	$19100 \pm 750$	$305 \pm 30$	255
1000	706	$e\nu$	$0.386 \pm 0.012$	$9080~\pm~290$	$116~\pm~15$	101
1000	190	$\mu u$	$0.219 \pm 0.009$	$5160 \pm 220$	$84 \pm 10$	58
1250	1002	$e\nu$	$0.378 \pm 0.012$	$2980~\pm~98$	$35.3~\pm~5.8$	34
1230	1002	$\mu u$	$0.210 \pm 0.009$	$1650~\pm~73$	$28.3~\pm~4.6$	19
1500	1191	$e\nu$	$0.376 \pm 0.014$	$1110 \pm 40$	$13.2 \pm 2.5$	14
		$\mu u$	$0.206 \pm 0.010$	$610~\pm~30$	$10.9~\pm~2.3$	6
1750	1416	$e\nu$	$0.336 \pm 0.013$	$396~\pm~16$	$4.56~\pm~0.92$	5
1750	1410	$\mu u$	$0.182 \pm 0.010$	$214~\pm~12$	$4.3~\pm~1.1$	0
2000	1500	$e\nu$	$0.370~\pm~0.015$	$183.0~\pm~7.7$	$2.99~\pm~0.61$	3
2000	1900	$\mu u$	$0.198 \pm 0.011$	$98.0~\pm~5.5$	$3.01~\pm~0.80$	0
0050	1009	$e\nu$	$0.327 \pm 0.015$	$71.5 \pm 3.3$	$1.38 \pm 0.33$	0
2250	1083	$\mu u$	$0.173 \pm 0.011$	$37.9~\pm~2.3$	$1.44~\pm~0.33$	0
2500	1000	$e\nu$	$0.262 \pm 0.018$	$27.1 \pm 1.8$	$0.432 \pm 0.091$	0
2500	1999	$\mu u$	$0.140 \pm 0.012$	$14.4 \pm 1.2$	$0.61~\pm~0.15$	0
9750	1000	$e\nu$	$0.235 \pm 0.024$	$12.3 \pm 1.3$	$0.432 \pm 0.091$	0
2750	1000	$\mu u$	$0.127 \pm 0.014$	$6.64~\pm~0.74$	$0.61~\pm~0.15$	0
2000	1000	$e\nu$	$0.183 \pm 0.029$	$5.33 \pm 0.86$	$0.432 \pm 0.091$	0
3000	1999	$\mu u$	$0.100 \pm 0.016$	$2.93~\pm~0.48$	$0.61~\pm~0.15$	0
2050	1000	$e\nu$	$0.124 \pm 0.033$	$2.22 \pm 0.59$	$0.432 \pm 0.091$	0
3250	1888	$\mu u$	$0.069 \pm 0.018$	$1.24~\pm~0.32$	$0.61~\pm~0.15$	0
0500	1000	eν	$0.077 \pm 0.031$	$0.92 \pm 0.36$	$0.432 \pm 0.091$	0
3500	1888	$\mu u$	$0.044 \pm 0.017$	$0.52~\pm~0.20$	$0.61 \pm 0.15$	0
0750	1000	eν	$0.047 \pm 0.024$	$0.40 \pm 0.21$	$0.432 \pm 0.091$	0
3750	1888	$\mu u$	$0.028 \pm 0.013$	$0.24~\pm~0.11$	$0.61 ~\pm~ 0.15$	0
4000	1000	eν	$0.031 \pm 0.018$	$0.20 \pm 0.11$	$0.432 \pm 0.091$	0
4000	1999	$\mu u$	$0.019 ~\pm~ 0.010$	$0.121~\pm~0.061$	$0.61 ~\pm~ 0.15$	0

**Table 6.** Inputs for the  $W' \to \ell \nu \sigma B$  limit calculations. The first three columns are the W' mass,  $m_{\rm T}$  threshold and decay channel. The next two are the signal selection efficiency,  $\varepsilon_{\rm sig}$ , and the prediction for the number of signal events,  $N_{\rm sig}$ , obtained with this efficiency. The last two columns are the expected number of background events,  $N_{\rm bkg}$ , and the number of events observed in data,  $N_{\rm obs}$ . The uncertainties on  $N_{\rm sig}$  and  $N_{\rm bkg}$  include contributions from the uncertainties on the cross-sections but not from that on the integrated luminosity.

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[GeV] [GeV]	6448
	6448
$400  317 \qquad e\nu \qquad 0.196 \pm 0.010  149000 \pm 7400  6630 \pm 440$	4222
$\mu\nu  0.111 \pm 0.005  84900 \pm 3700  4420 \pm 310$	4230
500 377 $e\nu$ 0.246 ± 0.011 80900 ± 3500 3320 ± 220	3275
$\mu\nu \qquad 0.140 \pm 0.006  45900 \pm 1900  2210 \pm 160$	2008
$600  448 \qquad e\nu  0.257 \pm 0.011  41400 \pm 1800  1630 \pm 120$	1582
$\mu\nu \qquad 0.144 \pm 0.006 \qquad 23200 \pm 960 \qquad 1080 \pm 79$	938
$e\nu$ 0.248 ± 0.011 15900 ± 680 593 ± 54	524
$\mu\nu = 0.143 \pm 0.006  9200 \pm 400  388 \pm 35$	321
$e\nu$ 0.302 ± 0.013 5390 ± 230 203 ± 24	177
$\frac{1000}{\mu\nu}  0.174 \pm 0.007  3100 \pm 130  143 \pm 17$	109
$e\nu$ 0.337 ± 0.013 2010 ± 79 86 ± 12	79
$\mu\nu$ 0.191 ± 0.008 1140 ± 50 65.5 ± 8.5	40
$e\nu$ 0.296 ± 0.011 648 ± 25 25.8 ± 4.4	26
$\mu\nu$ 0.164 ± 0.007 360 ± 16 20.9 ± 3.8	12
$e\nu$ 0.324 ± 0.013 278 ± 11 13.2 ± 2.5	14
$\mu\nu$ 0.182 ± 0.009 156.0 ± 7.6 10.9 ± 2.3	6
$e\nu$ 0.341 ± 0.013 118.0 ± 4.6 6.8 ± 1.3	9
$2000  1337 \qquad \mu\nu \qquad 0.186 \pm 0.010  64.6 \pm 3.3 \qquad 5.8 \pm 1.4$	3
$e\nu$ 0.391 ± 0.014 55.5 ± 2.0 4.56 ± 0.92	5
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$e\nu$ 0.337 ± 0.013 19.80 ± 0.76 1.38 ± 0.33	0
$2500  1683  \mu\nu  0.179 \pm 0.010  10.50 \pm 0.57  1.44 \pm 0.33$	0
$e\nu$ 0.322 ± 0.013 7.84 ± 0.31 0.432 ± 0.091	0
2750 1888 $\mu\nu$ 0.161 ± 0.011 3.92 ± 0.27 0.61 ± 0.15	0
$e\nu$ 0.382 ± 0.015 3.80 ± 0.15 0.432 ± 0.091	0
$3000  1888  \mu\nu  0.185 \pm 0.011  1.84 \pm 0.11  0.61 \pm 0.15$	0
$e\nu$ 0.437 ± 0.018 1.770 ± 0.073 0.432 ± 0.091	0
$3250  1888  \mu\nu  0.218 \pm 0.014  0.880 \pm 0.056  0.61 \pm 0.15$	0
$e\nu$ 0.474 ± 0.025 0.766 ± 0.040 0.432 ± 0.091	0
$3500$ 1888 $\mu\nu$ 0.229 ± 0.016 0.371 ± 0.027 0.61 ± 0.15	0
$e\nu$ 0.498 + 0.055 0.320 + 0.035 0.432 + 0.091	0
$3750$ 1888 $\mu\nu$ 0.244 $\pm$ 0.029 0.157 $\pm$ 0.019 0.61 $\pm$ 0.15	0
$e\nu$ 0.487 + 0.150 0.124 + 0.038 0.432 + 0.091	0
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Table 7. Inputs for the  $W^* \to \ell \nu \ \sigma B$  limit calculations. The columns are the same as in table 6.

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$m_{\chi}$	$m_{\mathrm{Tmin}}$	Channel	$\varepsilon_{sig}$	$N_{sig}$		$N_{\rm bkg}$	Nobs
[GeV]	[GeV]			8			
. ,				D1 Operator			
			$0.0294 \pm 0.0044$	$87000 \pm 13000$			
1		$\mu\nu$	$0.0177 \pm 0.0023$	$52500 \pm 7000$			
100		$e\nu$	$0.0396 \pm 0.0052$	$89000 \pm 12000$			
100		$\mu\nu$	$0.0252 \pm 0.0033$	$56600 \pm 7500$			
200 400		$e\nu$	$0.0484 \pm 0.0057$	$65800 \pm 7700$			
	706	$\mu\nu$	$0.0293 \pm 0.0034$	$39900 \pm 4600$		$116 \pm 15$	101
	790	$e\nu$	$0.0709 \pm 0.0071$	$30900\pm3100$	ev	$110 \pm 13$ $84 \pm 10$	58
400		$\mu\nu$	$0.0398 \pm 0.0041$	$17300 \pm 1800$	$\mu\nu$	$64 \pm 10$	00
1000		$e\nu$	$0.0989 \pm 0.0100$	$1070 \pm 110$			
1000		$\mu\nu$	$0.0621 \pm 0.0068$	$673 \pm 73$			
1300		$e\nu$	$0.0964 \pm 0.0095$	$138 \pm 14$			
1000		$\mu\nu$	$0.0522 \pm 0.0048$	$75.1 \pm 6.9$			
				D5d Operator			
1		$e\nu$	$0.0148 \pm 0.0016$	$7230 \pm 800$			
1		$\mu\nu$	$0.0080 \pm 0.0011$	$3890 \pm 530$			
100		$e\nu$	$0.0158 \pm 0.0018$	$7580 \pm 850$			
100		$\mu\nu$	$0.0096 \pm 0.0012$	$4600 \pm 580$			
200		$e\nu$	$0.0147 \pm 0.0015$	$5850 \pm 610$			
200	597	$\mu\nu$	$0.0086 \pm 0.0011$	$3420 \pm 430$	ev	$456 \pm 45$	414
400	001	$e\nu$	$0.0190 \pm 0.0020$	$4220 \pm 440$	$\mu\nu$	$305 \pm 30$	255
	)	$\mu\nu$	$0.0113 \pm 0.0013$	$2500 \pm 300$	1		
1000		$e\nu$	$0.0281 \pm 0.0025$	$450 \pm 41$			
1000		$\mu\nu$	$0.0177 \pm 0.0019$	$283 \pm 30$			
1300		$e\nu$	$0.0291 \pm 0.0028$	$89.3 \pm 8.5$			
		$\mu\nu$	$0.0167 \pm 0.0018$	$51.1 \pm 5.4$			
				D5c Operator			
1		$e\nu$	$0.0737 \pm 0.0047$	$30.3 \pm 1.9$			
-		$\mu\nu$	$0.0435 \pm 0.0034$	$17.9 \pm 1.4$			
100		$e\nu$	$0.0798 \pm 0.0050$	$31.0 \pm 1.9$			
100		$\mu\nu$	$0.0437 \pm 0.0034$	$17.0 \pm 1.3$			
200		$e\nu$	$0.0762 \pm 0.0049$	$25.1 \pm 1.6$			
	843	$\mu\nu$	$0.0461 \pm 0.0034$	$15.2 \pm 1.1$	eν	$86 \pm 12$	79
400	010	$e\nu$	$0.0857 \pm 0.0055$	$16.2 \pm 1.0$	$\mu\nu$	$65.5 \pm 8.5$	40
		$\mu\nu$	$0.0532 \pm 0.0040$	$10.0 \pm 0.8$	1		
1000		$e\nu$	$0.0987 \pm 0.0091$	$1.28 \pm 0.12$			
		$\mu\nu$	$0.0636 \pm 0.0057$	$0.824 \pm 0.074$			
1300		$e\nu$	$0.1010 \pm 0.0095$	$0.240 \pm 0.023$			
		$\mu\nu$	$0.0589 \pm 0.0057$	$0.140 \pm 0.014$			
			0.0051   0.0059	D9 Operator			
1		$e\nu$	$0.0851 \pm 0.0053$	$55.5 \pm 3.5$			
		$\mu\nu$	$0.0517 \pm 0.0035$	$33.8 \pm 2.3$			
100		$e\nu$	$0.0950 \pm 0.0056$	$55.8 \pm 3.3$			
		$\mu\nu$	$0.0529 \pm 0.0038$	$31.1 \pm 2.3$			
200		$e\nu$	$0.1040 \pm 0.0062$	$48.9 \pm 2.9$			
	843	$\mu\nu$	$0.0553 \pm 0.0039$	$26.0 \pm 1.8$	$e\nu$	$86 \pm 12$	79
400		$e\nu$	$0.1030 \pm 0.0067$	$25.5 \pm 1.0$	$\mu\nu$	$65.5 \pm 8.5$	40
		$\mu\nu$	$0.0578 \pm 0.0042$	$14.3 \pm 1.0$	1		
1000		$e\nu$	$0.1070 \pm 0.0092$	$1.03 \pm 0.14$			
		$\mu\nu$	$0.0015 \pm 0.0055$	$0.944 \pm 0.084$			
1300		$e\nu$	$0.1020 \pm 0.0100$	$0.285 \pm 0.029$			
		$\mu\nu$	$0.0573 \pm 0.0056$	$0.160 \pm 0.016$			

**Table 8.** Inputs to the limit calculations on the pair production of DM particles for the operators D1, D5d, D5c and D9. Expected number of signal events for each operator is calculated for a different value of the mass scale, notably  $M_* = 10 \text{ GeV}$  for D1,  $M_* = 100 \text{ GeV}$  for D5d, and  $M_* = 1 \text{ TeV}$  for operators D9 and D5c. The columns are the same as in table 6.

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Limits with various subsets of the systematic uncertainties are shown for  $W' \rightarrow \ell \nu$  as a representative case. The uncertainties on the signal selection efficiency have very little effect on the final limits, and the background-level and luminosity uncertainties are important only for the lowest masses. Figure 2 also shows the expected limits and the theoretical  $\sigma B$  for a W' and for a  $W^*$ . Limits are evaluated by fixing the  $W^*$  coupling strengths to give the same partial decay widths as the W'. The off-shell production of W' degrades the acceptance at high mass, worsening the limits. As discussed in section 1,  $W^*$  has different couplings with respect to W', enhancing the production at the pole. Since the off-shell production is reduced with respect to W', the  $W^*$  limits do not show the same behaviour at high mass.

In figure 2 the intersection between the central theoretical prediction and the observed limits provides the 95% CL lower limits on the mass. The expected and observed W' and  $W^*$  mass limits for the electron and muon decay channels as well as their combination are listed in table 11. The difference between the expected and observed combined mass limits originate from the slight data deficit in each decay channel that are individually not significant. The band around the theoretical prediction in figure 2 indicates the total theory uncertainty as described earlier in the text. The mass limit for the W' decreases by 50 GeV if the intersection between the lower theoretical prediction and the observed limit is used. The uncertainties on  $\varepsilon_{\text{sig}}$ ,  $N_{\text{bkg}}$  and  $L_{\text{int}}$  affect the derived mass limits by a similar amount. Limits are also evaluated following the CL<sub>s</sub> prescription [74] using the profile likelihood ratio as the test statistic including all uncertainties. The cross-section limits are found to agree within 10% across the entire mass range, with only marginal impact on the mass limit. The mass limits presented here are a significant improvement over those reported in previous ATLAS and CMS searches [4–7].

The results of the search for pair production of DM particles in association with a leptonically decaying W boson are shown in figures 3 and 4. The former shows the observed limits on  $M_*$ , the mass scale of the unknown mediating interaction for the DM particle pair production, whereas the latter shows the observed limits on the DM-nucleon scattering cross-section. Both are shown as a function of the DM particle mass,  $m_{\chi}$ , and presented at 90% CL. Results of the previous ATLAS searches for hadronically decaying W/Z [19], leptonically decaying Z [20], and  $j + \chi\chi$  [15] are also shown. The observed limits on  $M_*$  as a function of  $m_{\chi}$  are by a factor ~1.5 stronger in the search for DM production in association with hadronically decaying W with respect the ones presented in this paper.

#### 8 Conclusions

A search is presented for new high-mass states decaying to a lepton (electron or muon) plus missing transverse momentum using  $20.3 \,\mathrm{fb}^{-1}$  of proton-proton collision data at  $\sqrt{s} = 8 \,\mathrm{TeV}$  recorded with the ATLAS experiment at the Large Hadron Collider. No significant excess beyond SM expectations is observed. Limits on  $\sigma B$  are presented. A W' with SSM couplings is excluded for masses below 3.24 TeV at 95% CL. The exclusion for  $W^*$  with equivalent couplings is 3.21 TeV. For the pair production of weakly interacting DM particles in events with a leptonically decaying W, limits are set on the mass scale,  $M_*$ , of the unknown mediating interaction as well as on the DM-nucleon scattering cross-section.

$m_{W'/W^*}$ [GeV]	Channel	95% CL limit on $\sigma B$ [fb]							
			W'			И	V*		
		none	$\mathbf{S}$	SB	$\operatorname{SBL}$	$\mathrm{SB}_{\mathrm{c}}$	$\rm SB_{c}L$	none	$\mathrm{SB}_{\mathrm{c}}\mathrm{L}$
	$e\nu$	29.0	29.1	304	342	305	343		
300	$\mu\nu$	22.4	22.4	327	363	327	363		
	both	14.2	14.2	219	269	290	331		
	$e\nu$	14.1	14.1	94.8	105	95.0	105	20.7	204
400	$\mu\nu$	12.6	12.6	91.3	102	91.4	102	25.1	233
	both	7.55	7.56	63.4	77.0	83.2	94.7	12.6	197
	$e\nu$	9.14	9.18	38.7	42.2	38.8	42.4	17.3	87.5
500	$\mu\nu$	6.42	6.44	30.6	34.0	30.7	34.1	10.5	77.9
	both	4.26	4.26	22.3	27.0	29.8	33.9	7.54	77.7
	$e\nu$	5.67	5.68	19.5	21.2	19.7	21.4	10.4	43.9
600	$\mu\nu$	4.38	4.40	15.5	17.0	15.6	17.1	7.11	32.8
	both	2.78	2.78	11.1	13.2	15.5	17.4	4.75	33.9
	$e\nu$	2.95	2.95	8.25	8.71	8.35	8.81	4.23	14.9
750	$\mu\nu$	3.33	3.34	7.89	8.35	7.97	8.43	5.23	14.7
	both	1.73	1.73	5.06	5.63	7.01	7.52	2.51	12.8
	$e\nu$	1.84	1.85	3.25	3.34	3.29	3.38	2.69	6.01
1000	$\mu\nu$	1.86	1.87	2.87	2.95	2.92	3.00	3.02	5.88
	both	1.03	1.04	1.86	1.96	2.48	2.58	1.57	4.94
	$e\nu$	1.63	1.64	2.06	2.09	2.09	2.12	2.29	3.65
1250	$\mu\nu$	1.62	1.62	2.01	2.04	2.04	2.07	1.78	2.60
	both	0.990	0.991	1.30	1.34	1.54	1.57	1.16	2.53
	$e\nu$	1.27	1.28	1.40	1.41	1.42	1.43	1.99	2.39
1500	$\mu\nu$	1.21	1.22	1.35	1.36	1.37	1.38	$\begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	2.06
	both	0.775	0.777	0.879	0.890	0.967	0.979	1.14	1.63
	$e\nu$	0.964	0.967	0.993	0.997	1.01	1.01	1.48	1.64
1750	$\mu\nu$	0.813	0.818	0.818	0.821	0.827	0.831	1.37	1.54
	both	0.521	0.522	0.533	0.537	0.563	0.567	0.889	1.10
	$e\nu$	0.721	0.724	0.735	0.738	0.743	0.746	1.34	1.40
2000	$\mu\nu$	0.747	0.751	0.751	0.754	0.760	0.762	1.18	1.26
	both	0.415	0.416	0.422	0.424	0.439	0.441	0.831	0.922

**Table 9.** Observed upper limits on  $\sigma B$  for W' and  $W^*$  with masses up to 2000 GeV. The first column is the  $W'/W^*$  mass and the following columns refer to the 95% CL limits for the W' with headers indicating the nuisance parameters for which uncertainties are included: S for the event selection efficiency ( $\varepsilon_{sig}$ ), B for the background level ( $N_{bkg}$ ), and L for the integrated luminosity ( $L_{int}$ ). The column labelled SBL includes all uncertainties neglecting correlations. Results are also presented when including the correlation of the signal and background cross-section uncertainties, as well as the correlation of the background cross-section uncertainties for the combined limits (SB<sub>c</sub>, SB<sub>c</sub>L). The last two columns show the limits for the  $W^*$  without nuisance parameters and when including all nuisance parameters with correlations.

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	$m_{W'/W^*}$ [GeV]	Channel	95% CL limit on $\sigma B$ [fb]							
				W'			W	$W^*$		
			none	$\mathbf{S}$	SB	$\operatorname{SBL}$	$\mathrm{SB}_{\mathrm{c}}$	$\mathrm{SB}_{\mathrm{c}}\mathrm{L}$	none	$\mathrm{SB}_{\mathrm{c}}\mathrm{L}$
Ì		$e\nu$	0.453	0.455	0.455	0.456	0.458	0.459	0.830	0.859
	2250	$\mu\nu$	0.853	0.859	0.859	0.862	0.866	0.869	0.726	0.734
		both	0.296	0.297	0.297	0.298	0.301	0.303	0.457	0.488
		$e\nu$	0.564	0.569	0.569	0.570	0.572	0.573	0.438	0.441
	2500	$\mu\nu$	1.06	1.07	1.07	1.08	1.08	1.08	0.828	0.837
		both	0.368	0.370	0.370	0.371	0.376	0.377	0.287	0.289
		$e\nu$	0.629	0.643	0.643	0.644	0.648	0.649	0.459	0.462
	2750	$\mu\nu$	1.16	1.19	1.19	1.20	1.21	1.21	0.917	0.928
Į		both	0.409	0.413	0.413	0.414	0.425	0.426	0.306	0.308
		$e\nu$	0.809	0.852	0.852	0.853	0.863	0.865	0.387	0.389
	3000	$\mu\nu$	1.47	1.55	1.55	1.56	1.58	1.58	0.917         0.917           0.306         0.33           0.387         0.33           0.798         0.81           0.261         0.22           0.338         0.33	0.807
l		both	0.523	0.534	0.534	0.536	0.566	0.567	0.261	0.263
		$e\nu$	1.20	1.37	1.37	1.37	1.40	1.40	0.338	0.340
	3250	$\mu\nu$	2.14	2.45	2.45	2.45	2.52	2.52	0.678	0.687
l		both	0.768	0.815	0.815	0.816	0.919	0.920	0.226	0.228
		$e\nu$	1.92	2.56	2.56	2.56	2.64	2.64	0.312	0.315
	3500	$\mu\nu$	3.37	4.38	4.38	4.39	4.56	4.57	0.645	0.655
ļ		both	1.22	1.38	1.38	1.38	1.72	1.73	0.210	0.213
		$e\nu$	3.12	4.90	4.90	4.90	5.07	5.08	0.297	0.307
	3750	$\mu\nu$	5.32	7.85	7.85	7.86	8.22	8.24	0.605	0.630
Į		both	1.97	2.37	2.37	2.38	3.26	3.27	0.199	0.208
		$e\nu$	4.76	8.07	8.07	8.09	8.38	8.40	0.304	0.372
	4000	$\mu\nu$	7.75	12.0	12.0	12.0	12.6	12.6	0.613	0.749
		both	2.95	3.66	3.66	3.66	5.24	5.24	0.203	0.255

**Table 10**. Observed upper limits on  $\sigma B$  for W' and  $W^*$  with masses above 2000 GeV. The columns are the same as in table 9.

	$m_{W'}$ [TeV]		$m_{W^*}$ [TeV]		
Decay	Exp.	Obs.	Exp.	Obs.	
$e\nu$	3.13	3.13	3.08	3.08	
$\mu\nu$	2.97	2.97	2.83	2.83	
Both	3.17	3.24	3.12	3.21	

Table 11. Lower limits on the W' and  $W^*$  masses. The first column is the decay channel  $(e\nu, \mu\nu)$  or both combined) and the following give the expected (Exp.) and observed (Obs.) mass limits.

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Figure 2. Observed and expected limits on  $\sigma B$  for W' (left) and  $W^*$  (right) at 95% CL in the electron channel (top), muon channel (centre) and the combination (bottom) assuming the same branching fraction for both channels. The predicted values for  $\sigma B$  and their uncertainties (except for  $W^*$ ) are also shown. The calculation of uncertainties on the W' cross-sections is explained in section 4.

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Figure 3. Observed limits on  $M_*$  as a function of the DM particle mass  $(m_{\chi})$  at 90% CL for the combination of the electron and muon channel, for various operators as described in the text. For each operator, the values below the corresponding line are excluded. No signal samples are generated for masses below 1 GeV but the limits are expected to be stable down to arbitrarily small values. Results of the previous ATLAS searches for hadronically decaying W/Z [19] and leptonically decaying Z [20] are also shown.



Figure 4. Observed limits on the DM-nucleon scattering cross-section as a function of  $m_{\chi}$  at 90% CL for spin-independent (left) and spin-dependent (right) operators in the EFT. Results are compared with the previous ATLAS searches for hadronically decaying W/Z [19], leptonically decaying Z [20], and  $j + \chi \chi$  [15], and with direct detection searches by CoGeNT [75], XENON100 [76], CDMS [77, 78], LUX [79], COUPP [80], SIMPLE [81], PICASSO [82] and IceCube [83]. The comparison between direct detection and ATLAS results is only possible within the limits of the validity of the EFT [84].

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### Challenges in W mass measurements with ATLAS and CMS

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The mass of the *W* boson is an important parameter of the Standard Model of particle physics. In this proceedings experimental and theoretical challenges that need to be faced in order to achieve precision of the order of 10 MeV are discussed. The status of various experimental studies related to this measurement are presented.

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### 1. Introduction

The Standard Model (SM) [1, 2, 3] with radiative corrections [4] provides a predictive theoretical framework in which the fundamental parameters (particle masses and couplings) are interconnected via an overconstrained set of relations. At lowest order, the *W* boson mass,  $m_W$ , can be written as a function of the *Z* boson mass,  $m_Z$ , the fine-structure constant,  $\alpha$ , and the Fermi constant,  $G_F$ . Higher order corrections introduce additional dependence of  $m_W$  on the gauge couplings and the masses of the heavy particles of the SM. The relation between the parameters is the following:

$$m_W^2 \left(1 - \frac{m_W^2}{m_Z^2}\right) = \frac{\pi\alpha}{\sqrt{2}G_F} (1 + \Delta r), \qquad (1.1)$$

where  $\Delta r$  incorporates the effect of higher-order corrections [5, 6]. The  $\Delta r$  term depends strongly on the top and bottom quark masses,  $m_t$  and  $m_b$ , and logarithmically on the mass of the Higgs boson,  $m_H$ . In Beyond standard model (BSM) theories,  $\Delta r$  also receives contributions from additional particles, and the comparison of the measured and predicted values of  $m_W$  allows to probe for BSM physics. In the context of global fits of the SM parameters, constraints on BSM physics are currently dominated by the experimental uncertainty on the W boson mass [7].

Previous measurements of  $m_W$  were performed at the SPS collider with the UA1 and UA2 experiments [8, 9], at the LEP collider by the ALEPH, DELPHI, L3, and OPAL experiments [10], and at the Tevatron collider by the CDF and D0 experiments [11, 12, 13]. The current world average value of  $m_W = 80385 \pm 15$  MeV [14] is dominated by the CDF and D0 measurements performed with  $p\bar{p}$  collision data collected and a center-of -mass energy of  $\sqrt{s} = 1.96$  TeV [15, 16, 17]. For these results only about 20% (50%) of the total data collected by CDF (D0) is used.

Given the precisely measured values of  $\alpha$ ,  $G_F$  and  $m_Z$ , and taking  $m_t = 173.34 \pm 0.76$  GeV [18] and  $m_H = 125.09 \pm 0.24$  GeV [19] as inputs, the SM prediction of  $m_W$  leads to the uncertainty of  $\delta m_W = 8$  MeV. The latest most precise measurement of  $m_t$  with uncertainty of 0.66 GeV [20] pushes  $\delta m_W$  further to 6 MeV which represents a target for the accuracy of present and future measurements of the *W* boson mass. Therefore improving the accuracy of the experimental measurements of  $m_W$  is of prime importance for testing the overall consistency of the SM. Both Large Hadron Collider (LHC) general purpose experiments, ATLAS [21] and CMS [22], are pursuing the efforts that would lead to the  $m_W$  measurement with best possible precision. The ultimate combined precision at the LHC is estimated to be  $\delta m_W = 5$  MeV [23].

### 2. Measurement of *m<sub>W</sub>* at hadron colliders

At hadron colliders,  $m_W$  is measured using leptonic decays of the W boson:  $W \to \ell v$ ,  $\ell = e, \mu$ . These represent clean final states with best possible experimental control (in terms of experimental uncertainties). Due to the presence of the neutrino in the final state,  $m_W$  is extracted from the kinematic variables measured in the plane perpendicular to the beam direction. Sensitive observables are the transverse momentum of the charged lepton,  $p_T^\ell$ , the transverse momentum of the neutrino,  $p_T^\nu$ , and the transverse mass of the W boson,  $m_T^W = \sqrt{2p_T^\ell p_T^\nu(1 - \cos \varphi)}$ , where  $\varphi$  is the opening angle between the charged lepton and neutrino momenta in the plane transverse to the beam. The magnitude and direction of  $p_T^{\nu}$  are inferred from the missing transverse momentum vector,  $E_T^{miss}$ , which corresponds to the momentum imbalance in the transverse plane and defined as  $\vec{E}_T^{pmiss} = -(\vec{p}_T^{\ell} + \vec{u})$ . Here *u* is referred to as the hadronic recoil and corresponds to the measured transverse momentum of the *W* boson.

The transverse momentum of the charged lepton and the transverse momentum of the neutrino show a Jacobian peak at a value corresponding to  $m_W/2$ , whereas the transverse mass distribution peaks at the value of  $m_W$ . Typically,  $m_W$  is determined by comparing the expected final state distributions (templates), predicted with simulated samples for different values of  $m_W$  to the measured distribution. Hence the sensitivity to  $m_W$ , reflects all the physics aspects of the W boson production and decay processes, as well as the response of the detector. Experimentally, the  $p_T^\ell$  and  $m_T^W$ distributions are affected by the lepton energy calibration. The  $m_T^W$  distribution is also affected by the calibration of the recoil response. The  $p_T^\ell$  and  $m_T^W$  distributions are broadened by the transverse momentum distribution of the W boson,  $p_T^W$ , and are sensitive to the W boson helicity states, which are determined by the proton density functions (PDFs) [24]. Compared to  $p_T^\ell$  and  $m_T$ , the  $E_T^{miss}$ distribution has smaller sensitivity to such physics modeling effects, but larger uncertainties due to the recoil calibration.

With typical selection requirements  $30 < p_T^{\ell} < 55$  GeV,  $30 < E_T^{miss} < 55$  GeV,  $60 < m_T^{W} < 100$  GeV, u < 15 GeV [25], order of several  $10^7 W \rightarrow \ell v$  candidates are collected per experiment during the LHC Run-1. The available statistics leads to the statistical precision of  $m_W$  of O(2 MeV) per experiment, which sets the target scale for the systematic uncertainties. Beside W events, order of 10 milion of  $Z \rightarrow \ell \ell$  events is collected, which can be used to constrained experimental as well as uncertainties arising from the production and decay of the W boson.

### 3. Constraining experimental uncertainties

The first major goal in constraining experimental uncertainties is the calibration of the electron energy and muon momentum. The analysed final states of W and Z bosons are dominated by the leptons, the rest of the event consisting of mostly soft hadronic activity. This hadronic activity is considered as a global quantity recoiling against the decaying boson.

After the completion of the Run 1, the LHC experiments have finalised their calibrations and published an extensive set of results on electron, muon and recoil performance [26, 27, 28]. Due to to the large statistics of the collected calibration samples, notably events from low-mass resonances  $(J/\psi, \Upsilon)$ , as well as leptonic W and Z events, the quality of the modeling of the data by the simulation has been vastly improved compared to the initial performance. However further improvements are desirable for the  $m_W$  measurements. For example, the improved muon calibration is derived using the  $J/\psi$  and  $\Upsilon(1S)$  dimuon decays at CMS for the exercise of an  $m_Z$  measurement in the  $W - like Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$  events [25], which will be described later. Since the momentum range of the  $J/\psi$  and  $\Upsilon$  samples is very different from the W and Z ones, the challenge is to find a physically motivated model that describes the detector well in the whole range where the muon momentum for in the muon momentum calibration to correct the curvature of the muon  $(k = 1/p_T)$ : (*i*) small variations of the magnetic field, (*ii*) residual misalignment effects, (*iii*) imperfect modeling of the material resulting in different energy loss. The magnetic field is a multiplicative factor to the cur-



**Figure 1:** Left: Closure of the calibration of the relative scale (data with respect to MC) for  $J/\psi$ ,  $\Upsilon(1S)$ , and Z dimuons, as a function of  $p_T$  of the positive muon, after applying the calibration corrections measured with the  $J/\psi$  and  $\Upsilon(1S)$  samples, [25]. Right: Electron pair invariant mass distribution for  $Z \rightarrow ee$  decays in data and improved simulation. Energy scale corrections are applied to the data. The improved simulation is shown before and after energy resolution corrections, [28].

vature (*A*) while the misalignment is an additive factor (*M*) with opposite sign for opposite muon charge. The energy loss correction is an additive term ( $\varepsilon$ ) to the muon momentum (*p*) resulting in a term that includes angular dependence. The corrected curvature,  $k^c$ , is given with:

$$k^{c} = (A-1)k + qM + \frac{k}{1 + k\varepsilon sin\theta},$$
(3.1)

where  $\theta$  and q are the polar angle and the charge of the muon. The calibration is implemented using a Kalman filter, and its event-by-event uncertainty is estimated by propagating the uncertainties of the two tracks using their full covariance matrices. Corrections are derived for both data and simulation, with values that are found to be typically small: A differs from unity by less than 0.0005, M is less than  $10^{-4}$  GeV<sup>-1</sup>, and  $\varepsilon$  is of the order of 4 MeV. The muon momentum resolution is also corrected for. To estimate the closure of the calibration technique, an independent fit is implemented using the  $J/\psi$ ,  $\Upsilon(1S)$ , and Z resonances, to measure the difference between the dimuon mass scales obtained in data and in simulation (Fig. 1). Agreement at the 0.2 per-mil level is achieved for the  $J/\psi$  and  $\Upsilon(1S)$  and Z events, which is the systematic uncertainty of the method.

In the electron channel,  $J/\psi$  events are not collected as efficiently, so the Z sample constitutes the main handle on the EM calorimeter energy scale. In the case of electrons, a major difficulty is to understand the calorimeter intercalibration, and the passive detector material upstream of it, before the  $Z \rightarrow e^+e^-$  peak position can reliably be interpreted in terms of the calorimeter energy scale and used as a reference applying to the W production. The electron calibration closure in  $Z \rightarrow ee$  events is demonstrated in Fig. 1.

The  $E_T^{miss}$  is estimated from the lepton momentum and the measured hadronic recoil. In principle, the hadronic recoil directly reflects the hadronic activity balancing the boson  $p_T$ . In practice, however, this quantity is also influenced by other effects, such as the underlying event, multiple parton interactions, and pileup collisions. To reach an accurate control of the  $E_T^{miss}$  a precise and

reliably-calibrated measurement of the hadronic recoil is needed, with a required precision of half a percent to match  $\delta m_W$  of 10–20 MeV.

For the reconstruction of the hadronic recoil, ATLAS uses a dedicated recoil algorithm exploited in  $p_T^W$  measurement [29]. The calculation is based on the sum over calorimeter cells excluding the cells associated to the lepton. Energy of low- $p_T$  particles is removed along the lepton direction is compensated from the measured underlying event. CMS exploits its Particle flow algorithm [30] ('pfMET') with reconstruction and identification of each particle with an optimised combination of all subdetector information. Similar resolution of  $u_{\parallel}$  is obtained between ATLAS and CMS for the given algorithm. In order to improve the performance of the reconstruction of the hadronic recoil for the  $m_W$  measurement CMS uses track-based definition ('tkMET'), where recoil is calculated as a vectorial sum of the  $p_T$  of a charged hadron with  $\delta z < 0.1$  cm from the primary vertex. While this definition has the drawback of only retaining 40% of the hadronic recoil probed with the more widely used pfMET, it has the advantages of exhibiting a better data-MC agreement and of being essentially insensitive to pileup. More importantly, it provides, in the presence of pileup, the best discriminating power for the transverse mass Jacobian peak (Fig. 2).

In both experiments, recoil calibration is performed exploiting  $Z \to \ell \ell$  events, after lepton calibration is applied. In addition, since the decay is fully measured, momentum balance in the transverse plane can be exploited to determine the response and resolution of the hadronic recoil. To effectively study the properties of the hadronic recoil and partially disentangle the hadronic activity recoiling against the boson  $p_T$  from the other effects, the recoil vector is projected along the directions parallel  $(u_{\parallel})$  and perpendicular  $(u_{\perp})$  to the boson  $p_T$  direction. Here  $u_{\parallel}$  should be proportional to the boson  $p_T$ , the proportionality coefficient depending on the  $E_T^{miss}$  definition;  $u_{\perp}$ is expected to be distributed around zero. In CMS  $u_{\parallel}$  and  $u_{\perp}$  are modeled empirically by a sum of three Gaussians, whose parameters are polynomial functions of  $p_T^{\mu\mu}$ . The calibration is performed in rapidity bins, to minimise uncertainty arising from the vector boson modeling. The models obtained from fitting the different (data and simulated) event samples are used to derive corrections that can be used to transform the original recoil values of a source event sample into corrected values matching the distribution of a target event sample (Fig. 2).

### 4. Modeling of the W boson production and decay

Measurements of  $m_W$  at the LHC are affected by significant complexity related to the strong interaction. In particular, at the LHC centre-of-mass energies and in proton-proton collisions, approximately 25% of the inclusive W production rate is induced by at least one second generation quark (*s*, *c*) in the initial state. The amount of heavy-quark-initiated production has implications on the  $p_T^W$  distribution, and, as a consequence, the measurement of the  $m_W$  is sensitive to the strange and charm quark PDFs. In contrast, second generation quarks contribute only to approximately 5% of the overall W boson production rate at the Tevatron. The most relevant proton PDF constraints are obtained from measurements of the inclusive  $W^+$ ,  $W^-$  and Z inclusive cross section and rapidity distributions. These observables and their ratios allow, together with slightly more complex final states such W + c, a full flavour decomposition of the proton PDFs and a mapping of their Bjorken *x* dependence. When colliding, the initial state partons radiate a large number of mostly soft gluons, as a result of their mutual interactions. This initial state "parton shower" contributes to



**Figure 2:** Left: Recoil resolution from Z events as a function of the number of vertices for pfMET (circles) and tkMET (squares), after response correction, from simulated and data samples. Right: Example of the fit to calibration data events using the sum of three Gaussians to the  $u_{\parallel}$  distribution, [25].

the transverse momentum distribution of the *W* and *Z*. The details of these processes are not fully predictable and are modelled in a semi-phenomenological way tuned via  $Z \rightarrow \ell \ell$  events. The LHC experiments perform an extensive measurement program that aims at constraining the QCD parameters describing these effects. Strong experimental constraints on the PDFs come from the *W* cross sections, measured differentially in lepton  $\eta$ . In particular the  $\eta$ -dependent *W* charge asymmetry is specifically sensitive to the *u* and *d* quark valence ratio. These measurements have been pursued by ATLAS and CMS [31]. *Z* cross section measurements are also performed [32, 33]. In conjunction with the *W* cross section, this provides information on the strange density [34]. The strange density can also be probed directly, via measurements of W + c production [35]. The non-perturbative parameters are most accurately probed through measurements of the *Z* boson transverse momentum measurements [36], or of the angular correlations of its decay products [37, 38]. Some results are demonstrated in Fig. 3. The measurements of the correlation of the angular distributions with the lepton transverse momentum distributions, are an important ingredient in  $m_W$  measurement. Alternatively constraining  $p_T^W$  can be achieved by means of the direct measurement of this observable. However, longer dedicated runs with low pileup would be needed.

Another important aspect for the measurement of  $m_W$  is the theoretical description of electroweak corrections, and in particular the modeling of photon radiation from the *W* and *Z* boson decay leptons.

### **5.** Z boson mass measurement in W - like events

This analysis performed by CMS [25] consist of a measurement of the Z boson mass using a sample of so-called W - like events, i.e.  $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$  events where one of the two muons is removed to mimic the  $W \rightarrow \mu\nu$  event topology. The analysis is based on the 7 TeV *pp* data sample collected in 2011, using a single-muon trigger. The sample already provides statistical uncertainties similar to those of the Tevatron  $m_W$  results. This exercise represents a proof of principle, showing that the



**Figure 3:** Left: Comparison of tuned predictions to the  $p_T^Z$  differential cross sections, for dressed kinematics and in the full rapidity range. Comparison of the POWHEG+PYTHIA8 set-up with the 4C and AZNLO tunes to the same data. The vertical dashed lines show the upper limit of the tuning range [36]. Right: Distributions of the angular coefficients A2 as a function of  $p_T^Z$  [38].

analysis procedure is reliable and thereby validating the tools and techniques that will be applied in the W boson mass measurement. The Z boson leptonic decays can be triggered and selected at the LHC with high purity. They are used for calibration purposes and their differential cross sections provide precise information about PDFs and the production processes. The transverse momentum distribution of the Z boson can be accurately measured and used to tune non-perturbative parameters in the Monte Carlo generators.

The signal samples are generated with POWHEG [39, 40, 41, 42] linked to PYTHIA8 [43] with tune 4C, interfaced with NLO PDF set NNPDF 2.3 [44]. As this setup does not describe well the boson transverse momentum,  $p_T^Z$  is reweighted to data, in bins of 0.5 GeV, to the measured distribution in *Z* data events. In addition, the default settings of the POWHEG program show discrepancies when compared to the measured angular coefficients of Drell-Yan events, so the cos  $\theta^*$  defined in the Collins-Soper frame is reweighted to data, as a function of the *Z* rapidity. Since the boson  $p_T$  and angular coefficient reweightings are performed in the final fit phase space at reconstruction level, no systematic uncertainty is assigned.

The selected events are required to pass the single trigger requirement and the two muons must have opposite sign with the invariant mass above 50 GeV. The selection of Z events requires both muons to be of high quality, isolated, and have a distance of closest approach between the muon and the beam line  $d_{xy} < 0.2$  cm. An event enters in the positive (negative) W - like sample if the  $\mu^+(\mu^-)$  is matched to the trigger and fulfills the acceptance conditions  $|\eta| < 0.9$ ,  $p_T^{\mu} > 30$  GeV, while the  $\mu^-(\mu^+)$  is only required to have  $p_T^{\mu} > 10$  GeV and  $|\eta| < 2.1$ . In view of measuring the mass, the analysis only uses the transverse recoil of the boson and the Z transverse component of the muon momentum. A narrow kinematic region, defined to mimic the phase space expected to be selected in the W mass analysis, selects the final sample of W - like events:  $30 < p_T^{\mu} < 55$ GeV,  $30 < E_T^{miss} < 55$  GeV,  $60 < m_T < 100$  GeV, u < 15 GeV,  $p_T^{\mu\mu} < 30$  GeV. The background contamination is at the per-mil level, evaluated from MC simulation.

The fits of the sensitive observables are performed in the ranges 32–45 GeV (lepton  $p_T$  and  $E_T^{miss}$ ) and 65–100 GeV ( $m_T$ ), scaled by the ratio of  $m_Z^{PDG}/m_W^{PDG}$  =1.134 to retain a phase space

similar to that intended for the W mass fits. All the fits involving mass measurements are performed with a binned-template likelihood-ratio fitting procedure. Three distributions are independently fitted fixing the normalization of the sum to the number of data events. The statistical correlation has been estimated confirming that  $m_T^W$  is highly correlated with both  $p_T^\ell$  and  $E_T^{miss}$ , while lepton  $p_T$  and  $E_T^{miss}$  are practically uncorrelated.

The systematic uncertainty associated with the modeling of the muon efficiencies is evaluated assuming uncorrelated bin-by-bin statistical uncertainties and 1% systematic uncertainties of the "Tag and Probe" methodology. Two sources of systematic uncertainties are considered for the calibration of the lepton momentum scale and resolution: the deviation from perfect closure, and the statistical uncertainty of the calibration sample. Two sources of systematic uncertainties for the mass fits dominated the recoil corrections as well: propagation of the statistical uncertainty of the recoil fits due to the limited statistical accuracy of the calibration sample, and the deviation from the perfect closure of the calibration fits estimated with an alternative model based on an adaptive kernel probability density function. The associated PDF uncertainties are evaluated with the NNPDF 2.3 at NLO set, through a MC-like approach: all 100 NNPDF are tested members and compute the standard deviation. The systematic uncertainty associated with the QED modeling is evaluated by comparing the templates obtained by reweighting the invariant mass distributions with different configurations at generator level, in the full phase space, after final state radiation. The central choice is POWHEG NLO EW+QCD interfaced to PYTHIA 8 for both QCD and QED showers, while the alternative configuration is obtained by switching off the NLO EW contribution. The expected uncertainties are collected in Table 1, symmetrising the largest value between the  $\pm 1\sigma$ variations. The results of the fits to the data are shown in Fig. 4, with experimental uncertainties quoted separately from the others.

	$m_Z^{W-like},\mu^+$			$m_Z^{W-like}, \mu^-$		
Uncertainty	$p_T$	$E_T^{miss}$	$m_T$	$p_T$	$E_T^{miss}$	$m_T$
Muon efficiency	1	1	1	1	1	1
Muon calibration	14	13	14	12	15	14
Recoil calibration	0	9	13	0	9	14
Total exp.	14	17	19	12	18	19
Alternative data rwgt.	5	4	5	14	11	11
PDF	6	5	5	6	5	5
QED	22	23	24	23	23	24
MC Statistics MC	7	6	8	7	6	8
Total other.	24	25	27	24	25	27
Total syst.	28	30	32	30	32	34
Data stat.	40	36	46	39	35	45
Overal	49	47	56	50	48	57

Table 1: Uncertainties on  $m_Z$  in W - like events separated by the muon charge [25]. Results are in MeV.

The systematic uncertainties on the lepton momentum and recoil calibrations reflect the present status of the calibrations and may improve in the future by refining the calibration models. The un-





Figure 4: Difference between the fitted mass and Z mass from the PDG, obtained with each of the three observables, together with the corresponding uncertainties [25]. Each of the six measurements can only be considered individually.

certainty related to PDF reflects the knowledge of the parton densities relevant for *Z* production, that benefits from precise measurements of the  $p_T^Z$  and  $y^Z$ . This uncertainty will be different and expected to be larger in *W* events, with the *W* polarization and charm-initiated processes as the most relevant [24]. On the other hand, when performing the measurement of the W boson mass, the modeling of such aspects will require an extrapolation from the measurements with the Z boson to the expectations for the W boson. The major difficulty arises from correlations among PDF, boson  $p_T$  and polarization, and the underlying event, which imply correlated systematic uncertainties in the evaluation of the PDF uncertainties, the systematics of the matrix element, the resummed parts of the calculations, and the parton shower model. In this analysis the largest systematic uncertainty arises from the QED modeling, which is evaluated very conservatively switching on and off the NLO EW contributions in POWHEG. For the  $m_W$  analysis this uncertainty needs to be refined which is expected to decrease significantly. Background uncertainty, however, will increase due to larger background level (especially of the hard-to-model multijet background) in the *W* events.

Special care will be needed for all the systematic constrains performed on Z events when ported to the W, not only to the modeling uncertainties, but also to the experimental ones. For example, recoil response may show some differences in Z and W events, hence systematics due to the calibration performed solely on the Z needs to be addressed.

### 6. Summary

In short, the detector calibration is at the level required for a first competitive measurement of the  $m_W$  at the LHC. The physics modeling of the *W* boson production and decay represents a major challenge. Ancillary measurements help to constrain physics model and analysis strategy to minimise model dependence and tune state of the art MC. A deep understanding of Drell-Yan production at the LHC is crucial.

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### ELECTROWEAK TESTS AT THE LHC

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Some recent electroweak physics results obtained with the ATLAS and CMS experiments are reviewed. The Z boson transverse momentum, W+charm and W boson charge asymmetry are presented in the context of the W boson mass measurement The topics covered include also measurements of anomalous triple gauge couplings probed with the diboson production, and the studies of vector boson fusion and vector boson scattering using measurements of the electroweak components of Zjj and  $W^{\pm}W^{\pm}jj$  production.

### 1 Introduction

Measurements in the electroweak sector of the Standard Model (SM) constitute a vital part of the physics program that is carried out at the Large Hadron Collider (LHC) by ATLAS<sup>1</sup> and CMS<sup>2</sup> experiments CERN. High statistics of the collected data and unprecedented energy regime put SM to a new test. While waiting for the first measurement of the W boson mass at the LHC, already many important results are obtained and in some cases of gauge boson couplings most stringent constrains are set.

### 2 Measurement of *W* boson mass

While expecting the first measurement of the W boson mass from the LHC experiments, one can briefly review the current situation for Blois 2014 conference. The Tevatron experiments measured the W boson mass  $^3$  with the combined precision of 16 MeV, dominating the world average  $M_W = 80385 \pm 15$  MeV. Measurements from the Tevatron may eventually reach combined uncertainty of 10 MeV, the uncertainty that is now obtained from the global electroweak fit using the Higgs boson mass as an input<sup>4</sup>. This sets the target precision that would be desirable to achieve by the LHC in the near future. Giving the  $W \rightarrow \ell \nu$  production cross section of about 10.5 nb and 12 nb at the LHC collision energies of 7 TeV and 8 TeV respectively, the statistical uncertainty of a few MeV per experiment for the dataset that has been collected up to now is expected. High collision energy at the LHC leads not only to the small statistical uncertainty of the W mass, but also to the increase of the size of the calibration samples such as  $J/\psi \to \ell\ell$  and  $Z/\gamma^* \to \ell\ell$  with respect to the Tevatron, hence the experimental uncertainties on the lepton momentum scale and resolution, as well as the hadronic recoil resolution uncertainty, could be at the level (or better) reached at the Tevatron. Here, the uncertainties arising from the limited knowledge of parton distribution functions (PDFs) and the modelling of the lepton transverse momentum are highlighted. In this context, we briefly discuss the measurement of the Z boson transverse momentum by ATLAS<sup>5</sup>, performed also by CMS collaboration<sup>6</sup>, and W charge asymmetry, as well as W+charm measurement by the CMS<sup>7</sup> and ATLAS<sup>8</sup>. Most of these measurements are performed with proton-proton collision data collected at  $\sqrt{s} = 7$  TeV, and integrated luminosity of 4.7 fb<sup>-1</sup>.

Measurements of the  $Z \to \ell \ell$  transverse momentum  $(p_T^Z)$  and  $\phi^*$  spectra <sup>9</sup> offer the insight into the dynamical effects of the strong interaction, namely, perturbative predictions and PDF (in the high- $p_T$ /low- $\phi^*$  range), and resummation and the parton shower models (low- $p_T$ /high- $\phi^*$ range). Based on most precise independent single measurements, the  $p_T^Z$  in the muon channel and  $\phi^*$  in the electron channel, the parton shower tunes are performed in order to determine the sensitivity of the measured  $p_T^Z$  cross sections to the parton shower model parameters in stateof-the-art MC generators, and to constrain the models by trying to achieve precise predictions of vector boson production. The final tunes referred to as AZNLO applied to Powheg+Pythia8 leads to the agreement with the data to better than 2% in the range used for the tuning, and for  $p_T^Z < 50$  GeV, as demonstrated in Fig. 1.



Figure 1 – Left: Comparison of tuned predictions for Powheg+Pythia8 obtained from the  $p_T^T$  and  $\phi^*$  differential cross section measurements <sup>5,9</sup>. The vertical dashed lines show the upper limit of the tuning range. The previous default tune (4C) used in ATLAS is also presented in the figure. Right: Antistrange-quark distribution and the ratio, obtained in the QCD analysis of the HERA and CMS data, shown as functions of x at the scale  $Q^2 = m_W^2$ . The bands represents the total and separate uncertainties arising from different sources <sup>7</sup>.

Measurements of the vector bosons in association with heavy flavor, such as W+c production, have a unique sensitivity to the flavour decomposition of the proton, especially the strange density. In the analysis performed by  $ATLAS^8$ , W+c production is studied in events in which a W decays to an electron or muon, and the charm quark is tagged either by its semileptonic decay to a muon or by the presence of a charmed meson. The total and differential cross sections as a function of the pseudorapidity of the lepton from the W boson decay are measured and compared to the predictions of NLO QCD calculations obtained from various PDF parameterisations. Within uncertainties, the data are consistent with a wide range of PDFs, but show a preference for PDFs with an SU(3)-symmetric light-quark sea. The ratio of the strange-to-down sea quark distributions is determined to be 0.96+0.26 at  $Q^2 = 1.9 \text{ GeV}^2$ . Measurements of the muon charge asymmetry in inclusive  $W \rightarrow \mu \nu$  production performed by CMS<sup>7</sup> provides additional constraints on the PDFs of the proton in the range of the x from  $10^{-3}$  to  $10^{-1}$ . These measurements and the recent CMS measurement of associated W + c production are used together with the cross sections for inclusive DIS data from HERA in an NLO QCD analysis. The determination of the valence quark distributions is improved, and the strange-quark distribution is probed directly through the leading-order process  $q + s \rightarrow W + c$ . Since the per-bin total experimental uncertainties are significantly smaller than the uncertainty in the current PDF parametrizations, this measurement can be used to constrain PDFs in the next generation of PDF sets. The strange quark distribution and the ratio strange-to-valence are illustrated in Fig. 1.

### 3 Anomalous gauge boson couplings

Self interactions of gauge bosons manifest themselves as couplings of three of four gauge bosons: WWZ,  $WW\gamma$ ,  $WWZ\gamma$ ,  $WW\gamma\gamma$ , WWZZ, and WWWW. Structure of these couplings is completely determined by  $SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y$  symmetry and their precision measurement can either confirm SM or indicate presence of Beyond Standard Model (BSM) physics at the higher mass scale through the discovery of anomalous triple (aTGC) and quartic (aQGC) gauge boson couplings. The existence of anomalous couplings can be tested at the LHC through the studies of multiboson ( $W, Z, \gamma$ ) production or through studies of vector boson fusion (VBF) and vector boson scattering (VBS) processes.

Charged TGCs refer to couplings with vertices containing charged gauge bosons. BSM physics can be modelled by effective Lagrangian with aTGC parameters  $(\lambda_{\gamma,Z}, \Delta \kappa_{\gamma,Z}, g_1^Z)$ , whose values are zero in the SM. Processes that are used to probe charged aTGCs are WZ,  $W\gamma$  and WW production through the leptonic decays of the W and Z bosons. Both, ATLAS and CMS published results <sup>10,11,12,13,14,15</sup> using the full dataset collected at 7 TeV corresponding to about  $5~{\rm fb^{-1}},$  while 8 TeV data are yet to be fully analysed. Neutral TGC (forbidden in the SM at the tree level) can be probed by studying ZZ and  $Z\gamma$  production in the final states with leptonic decays of Z boson (including neutrino decays). Both collaborations published results with 7 TeV datasets  $^{15,16,17,18}$ , and CMS also completed 8 TeV  $ZZ \rightarrow \ell\ell\ell\ell, \ell\ell\nu\nu$  analyses  $^{19,20}$ . The measurements of the mentioned processes are used to set limits on aTGC parameters  $f_{\gamma,Z}^{4,5}$ and  $h_{\gamma,Z}^{3,4}$  for the neutral ZZZ and  $\gamma ZZ$  vertices. All measured values of the aTGC parameters are consistent with the values predicted by the SM, with the precision that supersedes the one reached at the Tevatron as shown<sup>21</sup> in Fig 2. While for the most stringent limits on charged aTGC come from LEP, the neutral aTGC LHC measurements improve the combined LEP results by a large factor (typically 5-10). Further increase in precision can be achieved by completing analysis of 8 TeV datasets and channel combination as it has been done by CMS for the results obtained with  $Z\gamma \rightarrow \nu\nu\gamma$  and  $Z\gamma \rightarrow \ell\ell\gamma$  channels<sup>16</sup>.

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Figure 2 – Limits (95% CL) on charged aTGC  $WW\gamma$  (top left) and WWZ (top right) couplings, neutral aTGC  $Z\gamma\gamma$  and  $ZZ\gamma$  couplings (bottom left) and  $ZZ\gamma$  and ZZZ couplings (bottom right). The presence of a possible charged aTGC contribution is parameterized in the so called LEP parametrization. Limits on neutral aTGC are placed on the anomalous parameters  $h_3$ ,  $h_4$ ,  $f_4$  and  $f_5$ .

The electroweak production of two jets in association with a  $Z/\gamma^*$  boson (Zjj) has been recently observed by ATLAS and CMS  $^{22,23}$ , while the observation of  $W^{\pm}W^{\pm}jj$  is reported by ATLAS <sup>24</sup>. The results are obtained using 20.3 fb<sup>-1</sup> of data collected at  $\sqrt{s} = 8$  TeV. The first observation of electroweak Zjj production contributes to the investigation of electroweak symmetry breaking, being the first observation of a VBF process, and the measurement is used to constrain aTGCs. For  $Z_{jj}$ , the strong production dominates, making extremely challenging the measurement and study of the purely electroweak component, which can be enhanced in appropriate phase spaces. A detector-corrected fiducial cross section for electroweak production measured by ATLAS is  $\sigma_{ewk}^{fid} = 54.7 \pm 4.6(stat.)_{-10.4}^{+9.8}(syst.) \pm 1.5(lumi)$  fb, in agreement with SM. Similar result is obtained by CMS. The first evidence for electroweak  $W^{\pm}W^{\pm}jj$  processes represents a milestone in the investigation of the electroweak symmetry breaking since the scattering of two longitudinally polarized W bosons violates unitarity without delicate cancellations from the Higgs boson. The strong production does not dominate, making this channel an ideal choice for the study of electroweak production in the VBS. Evidences of inclusive and electroweak production are observed with 4.6 and  $3.6\sigma$ , respectively. The measured electroweak cross section is found to be in agreement with the SM setting the limits on aQGCs in terms of parameters  $\alpha_4, \alpha_5$ :  $-0.14 < \alpha_4 < 0.16$  and  $-0.23 < \alpha_5 < 0.24$  (for  $\alpha_{5,4} = 0$  respectively).

### 4 Summary

Prospects for the first measurement of the W boson mass at the LHC and some relevant measurements are briefly discussed. Anomalous coupling parameters of three and four gauge bosons are measured in different processes and all are in the agreement with SM.

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construction of a particular HCCNT is in one-to-one correspondence with the connected graph of pentagons, hexagons and heptagons, conventionally de although we adopt a bit different structural model. Within the proposed metallic characteristics are governed by a specific distribution of pentagons [1] metallic HCCNTs introducing particular types of graphs and showing th given by the first four parameters. Here, we present technique of construction  $(n_6, n_7, n_7, n_5, (b_1, b_2))$ , where  $(b_1, b_2)$ , are the super-cell vectors, while the tiling 1 Also, Our calculations of electronic properties of HCCNTs are in support of thi effect of uniaxial strain on the electronic band structure and

imply their potential applications as electromagnetic absorbers and optically having only slightly different coil parameters. These startling properties of 110 to the highest optical frequencies can be absorbed by an ensemble of the HC SC coils are extremely sensitive to the uniaxial strain. Thus, rather wide spo the SC tubes and also substantial changes in the optical conductivity over with absorption spectra is analyzed. It is shown that strain can generate the gap  $\boldsymbol{\upsilon}$ tactile sensors with highly sensitive discriminatory abilities. range [14]. In particular, absorption spectra of the semi-metallic and narrow but

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TeV n Vs=8 TeV. то полнини АТЛАС на Великом сударачу хадрона у ЦЕРН-у има веома лични програм који између осталог обухвата прецизна мерења параметара полони (СМ), фитику Хигсовог бозона, као и потрагу за новим честицама изтати добијених анализом података из протон-протон судара на енергији продон)) ију теорије изван Стандардног модела. У овом раду приказан је део

### 1. УВОД

на при умутранных детектор се налази у хомогеном магнетном на и пригеровање омогућава ефикасну преселекцију догађаја и на на налин од четори главна детектора на Великом сударачу хадрона ни и имулацију и обраду података која се ослања на ресурсе отрини (оленондни магнет јачине 2Т, док суперпроводни тороидни но и ноколико поддетектора: унутрашњег детектора за мерење на учунни миса уграђеног материјала износи преко 7000 тона. штину ин теннких кнаркова, и мерење недостајућег трансверзалног полнития честица, слектромагнетног и хадронског калориметра и те приначние на Сл.1. Комбиновање информација из различитих шиши до 400 релевантних догађаја у секунди. Дистрибуција, и инализи података заснивају се на компјутерском систему и итотор ими цилиндричну геометрију, његова висина је 22 m, ници у положаја положаја положаја 1 unputing Grid-a [2]. фотона, тау-лептона, хадронских цетова, као и селекцију Минието поље спектрометра. Детектор и његове главне

тип сумри од 900 GeV, да би затим било настављено на енергији ва ( н 1. Средња ефикасност узимања података је износила 93%, а нии и 1011. У периоду од априла до децембра 2012. протонски протон-протон судара започело је крајем 2009. године. пинни Нелики сударач хадрона је испоручно АТЛАС-у податке ини из судара јона олова на енергији 2.76 ТеV/нуклеону. Током пирани на енергији 8 TeV, а током неколико недеља 2011. и 2013. интегралној луминозности 5.6 fb<sup>-1</sup> односно 23.3 fb<sup>-1</sup>, како је



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## 1. ПІСТОІІН СТАНДАРДНОГ МОДЕЛА

на претистично са прецизним мерењима других параметара у па индели. Миса топ кнарка је један од основних параметара у СМ-у и птом состору, пре света масе W и Хигсовог бозона, омогућава ванные сигности модела. н цинина у), кло и нарова градијентних бозона (*WW*, *W* $\gamma$ , *WZ*, *ZZ*, *Z* $\gamma$ ) портина си теоријским предвиђањима представља значајан тест налини и лиференцијалних пресека за продукцију градијентних

### Продукција градијентних бозона

по приступнитих функција протона. ни и порнов ниво. Добијени резултати демонстрирају сјајан успех нични перечунавања и добар ниво тренутног познавања партонских таначини укључујући квантнохромодинамичке корекције вишег реда у на пошити, као и пеодређеност у мерењу луминозности. Теоријски пресеци пресека за продукцију градијентних бозона протисти и протисти и систематске и систематске ин иу коришћењем 35 рб<sup>4</sup> података сакупљених током 2010. године [3]. ниу продукцију W и Z бозона у њиховим лептонским каналима распада штини мерења добијена коришћењем непријекни предвиђањима приказани су на Сл.3. Пресеци за података из 2011. и 2012.

иомоннованих лимита са колајдера ЛЕП. Резултати лимита на аномална имону/ии/с прецизније мерење аномалних спрезања на АТЛАС-у од моћинја у односу на вредности измерене на Теватрону. Већа статистика импунање од СМ-а није уочено и сва добијена ограничења (95% С.L.) су не опому са предвиђањима заснованим на СМ-у [4]. Мерења диференцијалних параличења на аномална трострука спрезања градијентних бозона. Никакво щисски у свим дибозонским каналима су искоришћена како би се поставила имерени до сада на целокупном скупу података на енергији 7 TeV и резултати пинини распада сумаризовани су на Сл.3. Пресеци за продукцију Wy и принастоталних пресека за WW, WZ и ZZ процесе у њиховим чисто лептонским полития и диференцијалних пресека за продукцију парова градијентних бозона. полновем сударачу. Трострука спрезања се могу директно тестирати мерењем стиниструких спрезања градијентних бозона. Постојање, тип и јачина ових наним феномена на енергетској скали која се не може директно тестирати на постојање и постојање индиректно указала на постојање инны потпупо су одређени неабеловом структуром SU(2)<sub>L</sub> @U(1)<sub>Y</sub> групе налии нест слектрослабог сектора СМ-а представља и мерење троструких и 2



(h<sub>thep</sub> = 173, 3 ± 0.5 (stat) ± 1.3 (syst) GeV.

### 2. XHFC

### Откриће повог скаларног бозона

напарацим молелу слементарие честице добијају масу кроз полици парушења слектрослабе симетрије. Последица таквот и пастариот бозона познатот под називом Хигсов бозон (М не предицја директно масу Хигсовот бозона. Са друге стране и пастари болона и јачша спрезања са другим честицама (фермионима и поли пола и јачша спрезања са другим честицама (фермионима и и поли болона и јачша спрезања са другим честице са којом се поли пола је феноменологија Хигсовот бозона заправо одређена његовом

 $(Mat) \pm 0.4$  (syst) GeV, а јачина сигнала  $1.4 \pm 0.3$  конзистентна је са вредношћу и шосно 5.1 стандардну девијацију. Измерена маса нове честице је 126.0 ± 0.4 ны ниноу поверења 95% у масеном опсегу 111-559 GeV, осим у региону 122-131 да је спин новог бозона једнак јединици. истраживаном масеном опсегу 110-600 GeV статистички значај одступања плинстичким значајем од 5.9 стандардних девијација, док је у целом (и/у. У овом масеном опсегу забележено је одступање од очекиваног фона са науннаенних на снергији 7 TeV односно 8 TeV за канале *H→ZZ\*→4ℓ*, *H→yy*, 1.0 очекиваним за СМ Хигс бозон дате масе. Распад на уу искључује могућност принечерзалног импулса најмањи. Постојање СМ Хигсовог бозона је искључено пуле финилию стање у коме је фон узрокован лошом резолуцијом недостајућег полнулета, за канал у коме се Хигс распада на два W бозона анализирано је само  $\| + \| \| \|^* \to \ln h$ у, док су за  $\tau^+ \tau^-$  и bb канале коришћени само подаци из 2011. године. подания који одговарају интегралној луминозности 4.8 fb<sup>-1</sup> односно 5.8 fb<sup>-1</sup> пол посоког *pileup*-а који погоршава мерење недостајућег трансверзалног ны мини, с тлу лентон, b означава ботом кварк, а v неутрино). Анализирани су  $H \mapsto V H \to ZZ^* \to A\ell, H \to \gamma\gamma, H \to WW^* \to \ell v \ell v, H \to \tau^+ \tau^-$  и  $H \to bb$  ( $\ell$  означава електрон полониних болона (W или Z), или заједно са W или Z бозоном, или паром топ и полина болона (који одговарају истом броју експерименталних сигнатура). Ти натана вларка. За откриће нове честице комбиновано је пет канала распада на вана интермедијарном честицом), а ређе кроз процесе фузије приним моделу [13,14]. На хадронском сударачу Хигсов бозон се производи кроз процес глуон-глуон фузије (са топ или ботом нау 2012 кольборације АТЛАС и ЦМС су независно потврдиле откриће подние чије особине би могле бити конзистентне са Хигсовим бозоном у

етановрания делијација. Расподеле инваријантис масе у II +2Z\* +4f и IIприватано на Сл.4. У дильем тексту опог рада пови скаларии ботон ја постојање новог еколарног безона, са статистичким значајем сигноја одговирају интегралној луминозности 21 fb<sup>4</sup> [15,16,17]. Резултати пог



енертији 8 ТеV и 7 ТеV . На графику су приказани и очекивани фон и сигнал који би потињо ( M. Хиссион болона масе 125 GeV. Дсено: инкаријантна маса два фотона у догађајима енерици в ТеV и 7 ТеV. Црвена липија представља фит података функцијом у којо Керингларновим полиномом четвртог реда. Доњи хистограм представља разлику између реалиц сунернониран сигнал који би потицао од СМ Хигсовог бозона масе 126.8 GeV и фона описи СЛНИСА 4. Левос Расподела инваријантие масе четири лептона у догађајима прикупљенни и = 2 -

симосирезања. АТЛАС колаборација је недавно објавила низ прелимираних епрекања повог бозона са фермионима и градијентним бозонима, као и јачине плиния задагака на АТЛАС-у биће мерење масе, спина, парности и јачине нарушены симетрије електрослабог сектора СМ. У наредном периоду један од Откриће Хигсовог бозона представља важан корак у разумевању механизми

любијеним вредностима масе у каналима у којима доминирају електрони (46, 2е2µ). У двофотонском каналу измерена маса је 126.8±0.2(*stat*)±0.7(syst) GeV. У каналныма у којима доминирају миони (4µ, 2µ2е) се у оквиру грешке слажу са у каналу са четири лептона износи $m_{H} = 124.3^{+0.6}_{-0.5}(stat)^{+0.5}_{-0.3}(syst)$  GeV. Mace у

каналима са најбољом масеном резолуцијом,  $H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4\ell$  и  $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ . Измерена маса Маса новог бозона је измерена користећи све податке скупљене током 2012.

ичина спрезања са градијентним бозонима и фермионима [21] речултата који се односе на мерење масе [18], спина и парности [17,19,20], као и

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тенникафуни да су систематске неодређености дистрибунране не TO OTHER WHILE STATE или. Комбинујући мерења у 11 ->ZZ\* ->40 и 11->уу каналу измерена  $m_{\mu} = 125.5 \pm 0.2(stat)^{10.8}_{-0.6}(syst)$  GeV

тинала изиоси  $2.3^{+0.6}_{-0.5}$ (stat) $^{+0.5}_{-0.5}$ (syst) GeV, односно 2.4 стандардия

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и приним клишлима искльучена на нивоу поверења најмање 95%. У и ини и париост Хигсовог бозона J<sup>r</sup>=0<sup>+</sup>,0<sup>-</sup>, 2<sup>+</sup>, 2<sup>-</sup>. Вредност спина 2 је пититичном клиниту истативна парност Хигсовог бозона са спином 0 је (унинии и импулса) продукованих честица. Тестиране су различите ницини у  $H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4\ell$  и  $H \rightarrow WW^* \rightarrow \ell \nu \ell \nu$  обављено је кроз мерење ни ни шиму поверења 97.8%. инни Хиненнон болона у  $H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4\ell, H \rightarrow yy$  и  $H \rightarrow WW^* \rightarrow \ell \nu \ell \nu$  каналима

# Спречина са градијентним бозонима и фермионима

Хигсовог бозона у различитим финалним стањима. Претпоставка ових модела је [22] су коришћени да би се тестирале корелације између продукције и распада не могу разматрати независно. Једноставни модели у најнижој апроксимацији константи спрезања Хигсовог бозона механизми продукције и канали распада се инныши потичу од распада једног СМ Хигс бозона. За конзистентно мерење ничничности. У овим мерењима као претпоставка је узето да сви опсервирани  $\|\psi\|_{U^{100CT}}$   $\mu_{ggF+nH}d_{VBF+VH} = 1.2^{+0.7}_{-0.5}$  је конзистентна са СМ. Такође, измерене су #/////// и све добијене вредности су конзистентне са CM у оквиру статистичке щодности релативних фактора гранања за три канала распада уу/ZZ, уу/WW и и продукције груписани према константама спрезања. Измерена ининине механизме продукције Хигсовог бозона µggF+ин/µrBF+VH, где су линие сигнала у различитим каналима распада измерена је и релативна јачина за питопон болона, до 4% за m<sub>H</sub> у интервалу 124.5-126.5 GeV. Поред мерења и мису Хигса од 125.5 GeV. Добијена јачина веома слабо зависи од масе нични плихових јачина сигнала. Глобална јачина сигнала добијена он свих анализираних канала износи  $\mu = 1.30 \pm 0.13$  (stat)  $\pm 0.14$  (syst) полнонситонском и двофотонском каналу у зависности од измерених тельные су јачные спрезања у анализираним каналима, као и измерене масе у 11111111111111111 опразумева један глобални фактор  $\mu = \mu_i \mu_j$ . На Сл.5 ни приметир се може увести за факторе гранања  $\mu_j = B_j/B_{j,SM}$ , па се под полити пресска за продукцију Хигсовог бозона у датом каналу распада и те пропос измерена је и јачина сигнала за пет анализираних канала ноји предолђа Стандардни модел за дату масу Хигса:  $\mu_i = \sigma_i / \sigma_{i,SM}$ Хитеоног бозона. Јачина сигнала се дефинише као однос између
спрезања мења, док је тензорска структура спрезања као у СМ. Сва н неодређеност чија вредност износи 20-50% у зависности од мерене ки спрезања су конзистентна са СМ, а грешком мерења доминира сини спрезања и разматраног финалног стања.



СЛИКА 5. Лево: Јачина сигнала  $\mu$  за масу СМ Хиговог бозона  $m_{\rm H}=125.5~GeV$ . Денингервали нивоа поверења у ( $\mu,m_{\rm H}$ ) равни за  $H{\rightarrow}2Z^*{\rightarrow}4\ell$  и  $H{\rightarrow}yy$ канале. На оба графи приказани су и комбиновани резултати.

# 3. ПОТРАГА ЗА ЧЕСТИЦАМА ИЗВАН СТАНДАРДНОГ МОДЕЛА

продуковане и детектоване на Великом сударачу хадрона. предвиђају да би нове честице могле имати масе ~TeV, и самим тим могле бин теорије и модели који покушавају да одговоре на нека од отворених питањ Разлози за проширење СМ-а су добро познати и многобројни [23]. Мног директна потрага за честицама чије постојање предвиђају теорије изван (М мерењима масе и спрезања Хигсовог бозона, на АТЛАС експерименту се одощ Паралелно са прецизним мерењима параметара Стандардног модела и при

или помереним вертексима дугоживећих честица. Измереном масом Хигсовог цетова из доминантних распада SUSY честица, могућим лептонима, фотонима је селекција догађаја заснована на великом недостајућем импулсу, великом броју суперсиметричне честица код модела у којима је *R*-парност нарушена. Због тога R-парности, или од неутрина продукованих у распадима најлакие слабоинтерагујуће најлакше суперсиметричне честице код модела са очувањем са великим недостајућим трансверзалним импулсом који потиче модела. Трагања за SUSY сигналима најчешће подразумевају издвајање догађај Суперсиметрија (SUSY) је највише мотивисана теорија изван Стандарлио U.O.

> татила у посвећен је овим трагањима. Нажалост до сада није на на масе супеериметричних честица приказане су на Сл.6. применту се трага и за честицама чије постојање предвиђају ни ничијно одетупање од предвиђања СМ, што је за последицу и ранничења на параметре различитих SUSY модела, [24]. принере градијентних бозона са масама ~ 200 GeV. Велики

на или двофотонске резонанце, нерезонантну продукцију два пала прозрадшините сксперименталне сигнатуре, на пример као

ние нису наспонане на суперсиметрији. Нови феномени би се

инирогавала на енергетској скали од ~ТеV. Одступање од СМна Пратиед резултата може се наћи у [25]. натим као ето је то случај у теоријама у којима би квантна по пронока џета, или спектакуларне сигнатуре са великим бројем ATLAS SUSY Searches\* - 95% CL Lower Limits (Status: March 26, 2013) Lott = (4.4 - 20.7) fb<sup>-1</sup> 7 TeV, all 2011 data 8 TeV, all 2012 day [S = 7, 8 TeV ATLAS



АТЛАС експеримента. никА 6. Доња ограничења на масе суперсиметричних честица према последњим резултатима

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71	Нучетно добро функционисање Великог хадронског сударача (LHC) у СЕ и шново од његовог пуштања у рад у новембру 2009. године, па све до данас, и шнове перформансе свих детектора на овом акцелератору, премашили су опоцилиса који су прикупљени у сударима протона и тешких јона одок роморлици спертијама. Анализа ових података довеља је до низа значај репулитата од којих је свакако најважније откриће тешког бозона, компатиби ов Хинс бозоном којет предвиђа Стандардин Модел (СМ). Према СМ Хигс б осе риспида и на дволептонска и двобозонска финална стања: тт, ци, үү, ZZ, W ZA. Најновији подаци прикупљени детектором СМЗ омогућују мер ефикасног пресека за продукцију двобозонских финалних стања на до о песлостижним снергијама, затим потрагу за Хигсим бозоном у некод предвиђених канала распада, као и евентуално регистровање феномена 1 одновању новој физици изван СМ.	1. УВОД	Примилисти су резултати активности српске групе на експерименту CMS примилисти су делови резултата вори се опосее на: порату за Xure бозовом си прочими $\gamma$ и ZZ, што је ловело до открића тешког бозова, затим резултати порате за апомалими ZZ и иго је ловело до открића тешког бозова, затим резултати порате за апомалими ZZ и ZZ и прочими и резултати порате за апомалими ZZ и ZZ и прочима судара тешких јона, анализирање су азимутали порате за апомалими ZZ и ZZ и прочими су област примир и ослобние мигахева честица. Изпожене су активности групе у област примир и оперемантистког калориметра ЕСАL, јелног од четири под-система детектор и и и ринказ инжењерског ангаховања српске групе на дитаји и опрати у полструкцији детектора СМS.	11.1.1.1.1.1.1.1.1.1.1.1.1.1.1.1.1.1.1	H. Bullethill, J. Munomennih', H. Munenonth', J., Jenerak', H. C.Munkonnih <sup>40</sup> , J., Jonanonth <sup>30</sup> n H. Auth <sup>30</sup> H. C.Munkonnih <sup>40</sup> , J., Jonanonth <sup>30</sup> n H. Auth <sup>30</sup> Human J. International and a systematic systematic systematic Annual 12-14, n. dux 522, 11001 Keospan	НОШИМЕНТ СМЅ НА LHC-У И РЕЗУЛТАТИ НИ ИЛ ГРУПС ИСТРАЖИВАЧА И ИНЖЕЊЕРА



иструменталии спектри фонског зрачења контлиуираног спектра које има е, у површинској пабораторији (горњи) и у подземној лабориторији и гралие брзине бројања у њима су око 21 и 12 срѕ респективно. илие ситуације које резултују у оваквим фонским спонтимулиране програмским пакетима GEANT4 и COULU је то зрачење континуираног спектра дојаког порекла је то зрачење континуираног спектра дојаког порекла мичког зрачења, док другим делом представља од це о зрачење герестријалног порекла, често политог (под от [1]. И поред велике сличности збирног спостр с да је релативни удео ове две компоненте исоми рили шије, и тај релативни удео још треба одредити.

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## КАРАКТЕРИСТИКЕ РЕКОНСТРУКЦИЈЕ МИОНА НИСКОГ ИМПУЛСА НА АТЛАС ДЕТЕКТОРУ

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Ансгракт. Испитиване су карактеристике реконструкције мнона ниског импулса на АТІАС летекстору коришћењем миона из распада ју мезона. Како је природна ширина помол прецизно измерена на претходним експериментима, и како је природна ширина помолопирецизно измерена на претходним скопериментима, и како је природна ширина помолопи предизно измерена на претходним скопериментима, и како је природна ширина помолопирецизно измерена на претходним скопериментима, и како је природна ширина помолопирецизно измерена на претходним скопериментима, и како је природна ширина помолопирецизно измерена на претходним скопериментима, и како је природна цирина помолопирецизно измерена на претходним скопериментима, и како је природна цирина помолопирецизно измерена и претходниментима и како је природна помолопирецизно измерена и претходниментима и како је природна цирина помолопирецизно измерена и претходниментима и како је природна цирина помолопирецизно измерена и претходниментима и како је природна цирина помолопирецизно измерена и претходниментима и како је природна помола помолопирецизно и претистављају одинично оруђе за калибрацију импулса иноше у опсету компатибилиме се опсетом импулса и измерена 2 бозона.

#### 1. YBOA

АНАС дегоктор [1] је један од четири експеримената који су постављени на пробрати је, по димензијама, највећи конструисани детектор, има иминију симетрију дужине 44 m, са пречником 25 m и масом око 7000 t.

Политичных спојевиту структуру и састоји се од четири система, и истектора иза слојевиту структуру и састоји се од четири система, и полазе појевиту структуру и састоји се од четири система, и полазе протони. Основна функција унутрашњег детектора је процеторија наслектрисаних честица, мерење и илутаса честица, као процеторија наслектрисаних честица, мерење и илутаса честица, као процеторија наслектрисаних честица, мерење и илутаса честица, као процеторица наслектрисаних честица, мерење и илутаса честица, као процеторица који окружује унутрашња детектор. Основни циљ је мерење спертије слектрона, фотона и хадронских цетова. При по опециона који окружује унутрашња детектори и стева и прометар [2] окружује хадронски калориметар и омотућава и неома прецизно мерење имитулса миона. Матнетни систем и пома прецизно мерење имитулса миона. Матнетни систем и пома прецизно мерење имитулса миона. Матнетни систем и пома прецизно мерење имитулса миона. Матнетни опсље, и три ими не сегорји од суперироводног соленондирот матнети опсље, и три ими не сектора, да би с створино константно матнети опсље, и три ими не сектора, да би с створино константно матнети опсље, и три ими не сектора, да би с створино константно матнети опсље, и три ими не сектора, да би с створино константно матнети опоље, у три ими не сектора, да би с створино константно матнети опоље, у три ими не сектора, да би с створино константно матнети опоље, у три ими не систора.



е, у површинској лабораторији (горњи) и у подземној лабораторији на гралне брзине бројања у њима су око 21 и 12 срѕ респективно.

ине ситуације које резултују у оваквим фонским енентина амулиране програмским пакетима GEANT4 и COULD је то зрачење континуираног спектра двојаког порекла јенина дставља расејано и деградирано зрачење електроманна оп" [1]. И поред велике сличности збирног спектри на те е да је релативни удео ове две компоненте веома различни на мичког зрачења, док другим делом представља од ненит о зрачење терестријалног порекла, често познатог под нали ције, и тај релативни удео још треба одредити.

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июми прецизно измерена на претходним експериментима, и како је природна ширина инемарила према инструменталној ширини, те како се Ј/у мезони обилно производе на Иеником хадронском сударачу, они представљају одлично оруђе за калибрацију импулса мистракт. Испитиване су карактеристике реконструкције миона ниског импулса на АГИАС детектору коришћењем миона из распада Ј/џ мезона. Како је маса Ј/џ мезона инони у опсегу компатибилном са опсегом импулса миона из распада Z бозона.

### **1. УВОД**

АНИАС детектор [1] је један од четири експеримената који су постављени на и у Он је, по димензијама, највећи конструисани детектор, има ширичиу симетрију дужине 44 m, са пречником 25 m и масом око 7000 t.

иничног и хадронскиг калориметра. Електромагнетни калориметар је шиннири се систоји од суперпроводног соленоидног магнета који се и истектора, калориметарског система, мионског спектрометра и ини пистема. Унутрашњи детектор се налази најближе вакуумској цеви ниу пролазе протони. Основна функција унутрашњег детектора је пили пријекторија наслектрисаних честица, мерење импулса честица, као иницирукцију вертекса. Калориметерски систем се састоји од нии поленонда који окружује унутрашњи детектор. Основни циљ и инстирометар [2] окружује хадронски калориметар и омогућава ния и веома прецизно мерснье импулса миона. Магнетни систем прилини детектора, да би се створило константно магнетно поље, и три полни министа у облику торуса који стварају магнетно поље у ниме метектор има слојевиту структуру и састоји се од четири система, птини је мерење енергије електрона, фотона и хадронских цетова. **UTSMORTHALLE** 

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## 2. РЕКОНСТРУКЦИЈА МИОНА

ти од начина реконструкције разликујемо неколико типова мнони тектору [3]:

еd су миони који су реконструисани на основу статистичко защије импулса и пложаја из мионског спектрометра и унутрашњег ора. Енергетски губици миона приликом проласка крои метре су урачунати коришћењем параметризоване функције која у обзир расподелу материјала испред мионског система;

и-tagged су миони чији је импулс потпуно реконструнени у ишњенем детектору. Идентификација мнона извршена је изњем трага у унутрашњем детектору и сегемента реконструненин јекој комори најближој калориметру;

удеа су попут segment-tagged потпуно реконструновин ашњем детектору. али се за њихову идентификацију кориси ована енертија у калориметру.

ожило слугада утичу непрецизно познавање мане магнетног ни прукцију миона утичу непрецизно познавање мане магнетног ни пубитак енертије миона при проласку кроз калоримстре, недополасродања миона при проласку кроз детектор.

## 3. РЕЗУЛТАТИ И ДИСКУСИЈА

у реконструкције миона који су настали расподом Луч ниваријантна маса ова два миона у зависности од ринисно они треба да испуне је да се налазе у малом просторна да имају трансверални импулс већи од 6 GeV. Селенто аони. На основу података прикупљених током 201 8 TeV реконструисано је око 30 милиона кицини ј прикупљених Ј/ү мезона омогућања прецити

ика Мионског спектрометра. иказује инваријантну масу два миона реконструнскиа на ци в од рапидитета. Инваријантна маса је израуната корнетена в зна и угао између њих:

 $M_{\mu\mu} = \sqrt{p_1^{\mu} p_2^{\mu} (1 - \cos_{12})}.$ 

на маса је израчуната на три начина: корнетећи илиза и детектору, корнетећи импуле измерен у мнонецен спола

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Са Сл.1. се види да је инваријантна маса добнејена коришћењем импулса измереног у унутрашњнем детектору веома блиска табличној вредности 3096.9164-0.011 МеV, што указује на добру калибрацију имулса у унутрашњем детектору. Инваријантна маса израчуната коришћењем имиулса из мионског спектрометра одступа од табличне вредности у централној области (η|<1) у сиектрометра одступа од табличне вредности у централној области (η|<1) у комбинованог имиулса је ближа табличној вредности, пошто у статистичкој комбинованог имијулса је ближа табличној вредности, пошто у статистичкој комбинацији за мионе ниског импулса доминира информација из унутрашњег истектора. Илак одступање од табличне вредности износи око ~0.1% под иливјем слектрометра.

Како је проверено да одступање не зависи од импулса миона, узето је да пертијски губици миона у калориметрима већи од параметризованих вредности опе се урачунавају при реконструкцији миона у мионском спектрометру. Конокција за појединачие мионе је добијена фитовњем разлике импулса миона у опоктрометру и унутрашњем детектору у функцији рапидитета. После примене примик корекција на импулс миона у спектрометру добијено је много боље примик са табличном вредношћу масе Ј/w користећи спектрометраски и примик собиновани милутса миона.



1. Поверпјонтна маса два мнона у зависности од ранидитета. Инваријантна маса је и по поници: користећи имири, измерен у нутрашњем детекнору, користећи понице у инонском спектромстру са урачунатма емертетским губицима, као и поницима. У оп ну случија угио је измерен у унутрашњем детекору.

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