

CERN-EP-2019-074  
2019/07/30

CMS-SMP-17-013

# Search for the production of $W^{\pm}W^{\pm}W^{\mp}$ events at $\sqrt{s} = 13$ TeV

The CMS Collaboration\*

## Abstract

A search for the production of events containing three W bosons predicted by the standard model is reported. The search is based on a data sample of proton-proton collisions at a center-of-mass energy of 13 TeV recorded by the CMS experiment at the CERN LHC and corresponding to a total integrated luminosity of  $35.9 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ . The search is performed in final states with three leptons (electrons or muons), or with two same-charge leptons plus two jets. The observed (expected) significance of the signal for  $W^{\pm}W^{\pm}W^{\mp}$  production is 0.60 (1.78) standard deviations, and the ratio of the measured signal yield to that expected from the standard model is  $0.34^{+0.62}_{-0.34}$ . Limits are placed on three anomalous quartic gauge couplings and on the production of massive axionlike particles.

*"Published in Physical Review D as doi:10.1103/PhysRevD.100.012004."*



## 1 Introduction

According to the standard model (SM), events with three  $W$  bosons ( $W^\pm W^\pm W^\mp$ , labeled WWW in the following) are produced in proton-proton (pp) collisions at the CERN LHC. The process is sensitive to triple and quartic gauge couplings (QGC), so the observation and study of this process provides an important test of the electroweak sector of the SM. Figure 1 shows examples of lowest-order Feynman diagrams for WWW production. The analysis presented here focuses on the electroweak production of WWW events. The associated production of the Higgs (H) boson with a  $W$  boson, where the H boson decays to  $W^+W^-$ , is considered to be part of the signal production, whereas other processes such as the production of  $t\bar{t}W^\pm$  are considered to be background processes. The nonresonant WWW production cross section is calculated to be  $216 \pm 9$  fb [1] and, after including the contribution of  $WH \rightarrow WWW^*$  with one off-shell  $W$  boson [2], the total theoretical electroweak production cross section is  $509 \pm 13$  fb. In this paper, the label WWW includes both types of production.

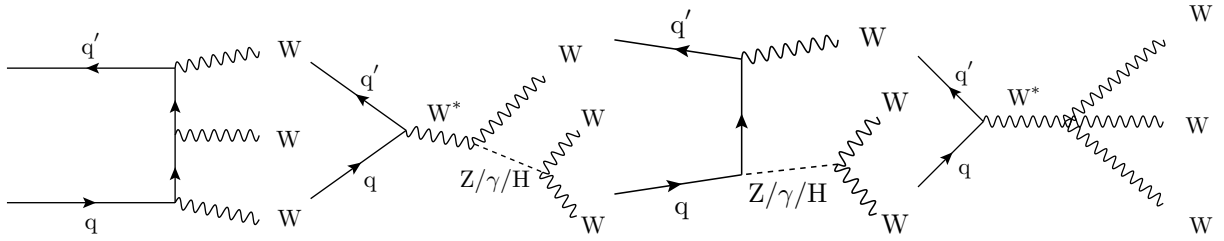


Figure 1: Tree-level Feynman diagrams for WWW production

A search for WWW production in 8 TeV pp collision data [3] and evidence for the production of three massive gauge bosons in 13 TeV pp collisions [4] were reported by the ATLAS Collaboration.

The analysis presented in this paper is performed with a sample of pp collisions at a center-of-mass energy of 13 TeV produced by the LHC and recorded with the CMS detector in 2016; the integrated luminosity for this sample is  $35.9 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ .

Events containing three  $W$  bosons can be classified by the expected number of charged leptons (electrons or muons only) in the final state: 41.7% contain no leptons, 42.4% contain one lepton, 9.6% have two leptons with opposite-sign (OS) charge, 4.8% have two same-sign (SS) leptons, and 1.6% of all events contain three leptons ( $3\ell$ ). These branching fractions include the contributions from leptonic decays of  $\tau$  leptons to electrons or muons and neutrinos. Large backgrounds from the production of events with multiple jets,  $W$  bosons and jets, Drell-Yan lepton pairs and jets, and  $t\bar{t}$  final states preclude the isolation of a signal except for categories of events with two SS leptons (with the third  $W$  boson decaying hadronically) and with three leptons. This search exploits these two event categories.

Certain new physics processes could lead to an excess of events over the SM prediction. These include, for example, processes with anomalous triple gauge couplings (aTGCs) [5] and anomalous QGCs (aQGCs) [5–8]. Since this analysis cannot improve the constraints already placed on aTGCs by recent diboson searches [9–14], it focuses on aQGCs. The production of massive, axionlike particles (ALPs) [15–24] is also considered. In the absence of a signal beyond the SM, limits are placed on aQGCs and on the production of ALPs in association with  $W$  bosons.

## 2 The CMS detector

The central feature of the CMS apparatus is a superconducting solenoid of 6 m internal diameter, providing a magnetic field of 3.8 T. Within the solenoid volume are a silicon pixel and strip tracker, a lead tungstate crystal electromagnetic calorimeter (ECAL), and a brass and scintillator hadron calorimeter, each composed of a barrel and two endcap sections. Forward calorimeters extend the pseudorapidity ( $\eta$ ) coverage provided by the barrel and endcap detectors. Muons are detected in gas-ionization detectors embedded in the steel flux-return yoke outside the solenoid. Events of interest are selected using a two-tiered trigger system [25]. The first level of the CMS trigger system, composed of custom hardware processors, uses information from the calorimeters and muon detectors to select the most interesting events in a fixed time interval of less than 4  $\mu$ s. The high-level trigger processor farm further decreases the event rate from around 100 kHz to less than 1 kHz, before data storage. A more detailed description of the CMS detector, together with a definition of the coordinate system used and the relevant kinematic variables, can be found in Ref. [26].

## 3 Data and simulated event samples

The data are collected using dilepton triggers that select either two electrons, two muons, or one electron and one muon. These triggers require the leptons to have a high transverse momentum  $p_T$  and to satisfy loose isolation requirements. The dielectron trigger requires  $p_T > 23$  (12) GeV for the leading (subleading) electron. The dimuon trigger requires  $p_T > 17$  (8) GeV for the leading (subleading) muon. Finally, for the electron+muon trigger, the leading lepton must have  $p_T > 23$  GeV and the subleading lepton must have  $p_T > 12$  GeV if it is an electron, or  $p_T > 8$  GeV if it is a muon. Data recorded using prescaled single electron and single muon triggers with  $p_T$  thresholds of 8 and 17 GeV, respectively, are utilized for studies of background rates. Events with contributions from beam halo processes or anomalous noise in the calorimeter are rejected using dedicated filters [27].

Samples of simulated events are used to optimize the event selection, to estimate some of the SM background processes, and to interpret the results in terms of WWW production. The MADGRAPH5\_aMC@NLO 2.2.2 generator [28] is used in the next-to-leading-order (NLO) mode with FxFx jet matching [29] to generate triboson events, both the signal (WWW including WH) and the triboson background processes (such as WWZ). The same generator is used in the leading-order (LO) mode with the MLM jet matching [30] to generate SM  $t\bar{t}$ ,  $t\bar{t}+X$  ( $X = W, Z, H$ ),  $W$ +jets,  $Z$ +jets,  $W\gamma$ , and  $W^\pm W^\pm$  events. Other diboson (WW, WZ, and ZZ) events and the single top quark process are generated at NLO with POWHEG 2.0 [31–34]. The most precise cross section calculations available are used to normalize the simulated samples, and usually correspond to either NLO or next-to-NLO accuracy [2, 28, 35–42].

The MADGRAPH5\_aMC@NLO event generator is used in the NLO mode to simulate events following the model for photophobic, axionlike particles according to the model described in Ref. [24]. The aQGC samples are generated using MADGRAPH5\_aMC@NLO 2.2.2 in the LO mode and the reweighting prescription of Ref. [43].

The NNPDF3.0 [44] parton distribution functions (PDFs) are used for all samples. Parton showering, hadronization, and the underlying event are modeled by PYTHIA 8.205 [45] with parameters set by the CUETP8M1 tune [46]. Additional pp collisions due to multiple interactions in the same or adjacent beam crossings, known as pileup, are also simulated, and the simulated distribution of pileup interactions is reweighted to match the data. The response of the CMS detector is simulated with the GEANT4 [47] package. The simulated events are reconstructed

using the same software as the real data.

## 4 Event reconstruction

The CMS event reconstruction is based on the particle-flow (PF) algorithm [48], which combines information from the tracker, calorimeters, and muon systems to identify charged and neutral hadrons, photons, electrons, and muons, known as PF candidates.

Each event must contain at least one pp interaction vertex. The reconstructed vertex with the largest value of summed physics-object  $p_T^2$  is taken to be the primary vertex (PV). The physics objects are the objects reconstructed by a jet finding algorithm [49–51] applied to all charged particle tracks associated with the vertex and also the corresponding missing transverse momentum ( $p_T^{\text{miss}}$ ).

Electrons and muons are identified by associating a track reconstructed in the silicon detectors with either a cluster of energy in the ECAL [52] or a track in the muon system [53], as appropriate. To be selected for this analysis, electron and muon candidates must satisfy  $p_T > 10$  GeV and  $|\eta| < 2.4$ . Electrons with  $1.4 < |\eta| < 1.6$ , which corresponds to the transition region between the barrel and endcap regions of the ECAL, are discarded. Several working points are defined, which differ according to the identification criteria chosen including the requirements on the three-dimensional impact parameter  $b$  and relative isolation  $I_{\text{rel}}$ . The impact parameter is the distance between the PV and the point of closest approach of the lepton track;  $b < 0.015$  cm is required for all lepton candidates. This requirement is tightened to  $b < 0.010$  cm for electrons in the SS category. The relative isolation of a lepton with  $p_T^\ell$  is defined as

$$I_{\text{rel}} = \left( \sum p_T^c + \max \left[ \sum p_T^{\text{nc}} - p_T^{\text{PU}}, 0 \right] \right) / p_T^\ell.$$

In this expression,  $\sum p_T^c$  is the scalar  $p_T$  sum of charged particles from the PV in a cone of  $\Delta R = \sqrt{(\Delta\eta)^2 + (\Delta\phi)^2} = 0.3$  around the lepton direction, and  $\sum p_T^{\text{nc}}$  is the equivalent  $p_T$  sum for the neutral hadrons and the photons. The lepton momentum itself is not included in  $\sum p_T^c$ . The total neutral component contains contributions from pileup, estimated using  $p_T^{\text{PU}} = \rho A_{\text{eff}}$  where the average  $p_T$  flow density  $\rho$  is calculated in each event using the jet area method [54], are subtracted. The effective area  $A_{\text{eff}}$  is the geometric area of the lepton isolation cone multiplied by an  $\eta$ -dependent factor that accounts for the residual dependence of the isolation on the pileup. Electrons are required to satisfy  $I_{\text{rel}} < 0.03$  (0.05) for the SS ( $3\ell$ ) category, and muons must satisfy  $I_{\text{rel}} < 0.03$  (0.07). These leptons are referred to as “tight” leptons. For “loose” electrons and muons used in the estimation of the nonprompt-lepton background,  $I_{\text{rel}} < 0.4$  is required. For “rejection” electrons and muons, used to remove background events where extra leptons are present in either the SS or  $3\ell$  category,  $I_{\text{rel}} < 0.4$  is required. For electrons in the SS category, the background contribution coming from a mismeasurement of the track charge is not negligible. The sign of this charge is inferred using three different observables; requiring all three to agree reduces this background contribution [52].

Events containing  $\tau$  leptons decaying into charged hadrons are rejected by requiring no isolated tracks aside from selected electrons and muons. An isolated track is a charged PF lepton (charged PF hadron) with  $p_T > 5$  (10) GeV,  $|\eta| < 2.4$ , and a longitudinal distance to the PV of  $|d_z| < 0.1$  cm; it must be isolated in the sense that  $I_{\text{rel}} < 0.2$  (0.1) and  $I_{\text{rel}} < 8 \text{ GeV} / p_T^{\text{track}}$ . Any isolated track or lepton that matches a selected lepton candidate within  $\Delta R < 0.01$  is discarded.

PF candidates are clustered into jets using the anti- $k_T$  jet clustering algorithm [49] with a distance parameter  $R = 0.4$ , implemented in the FASTJET package [50, 51]. Jets must pass loose

selection criteria based on the fractions of neutral and charged energy in the jet, and on the relative amount of electromagnetic and hadronic energy. Jets with  $p_T > 20$  GeV and  $|\eta| < 5$  are selected unless they are within  $\Delta R < 0.4$  of a selected lepton or isolated track. Jet energies are corrected for contributions from pileup and to account for nonuniform detector response [55]. The loose working point of the combined secondary vertex (CSVv2) b tagging algorithm [56] is used to identify jets containing the decay of a heavy-flavor hadron. For this working point, the efficiency to select b quark jets is above 80% and the rate for tagging jets originating from the hadronization of gluons, and u, d, and s quarks is about 10%. In order to apply the CSVv2 b tagging algorithm, the jet must be reconstructed within  $|\eta| < 2.4$ .

The vector missing transverse momentum  $\vec{p}_T^{\text{miss}}$  is defined as the negative vector  $p_T$  sum of all PF particle candidates. The magnitude of  $\vec{p}_T^{\text{miss}}$  is denoted  $p_T^{\text{miss}}$ . Corrections to jet energies due to the nonuniformity in the detector response are propagated to  $p_T^{\text{miss}}$  [57].

## 5 Search strategy and event selection

The event selection criteria are designed to maximize the signal significance in the two final states used in the analysis: two SS leptons and at least two jets (SS category), and three leptons ( $3\ell$  category). Cross sections for background processes are much larger than the signal cross section, so stringent requirements must be applied in order to achieve sensitivity to WWW production.

The SS category contains signal events with the two SS W bosons decaying leptonically and the third W boson decaying hadronically. Correspondingly, the selection requires exactly two tight, high- $p_T$  SS leptons and at least two high- $p_T$  jets. This category is divided into two signal regions (SRs): “ $m_{jj}$ -in” includes the events in which the invariant mass of the two jets closest in  $\Delta R$  is compatible with the W boson mass,  $65 < m_{jj} < 95$  GeV; “ $m_{jj}$ -out” includes the remaining events. The  $m_{jj}$ -in SR is expected to contain more signal events and fewer background events than the  $m_{jj}$ -out region. The  $m_{jj}$ -out region still contains a sizable number of WWW events, from off-shell W bosons from WH production, for example. It is therefore considered a signal region. The main background contribution is called the lost-lepton background and stems from three-lepton events with one lepton not selected due to an inefficiency (e.g., the isolation requirement) or because it falls outside the detector acceptance. Most of this background contribution comes from WZ production and a smaller contribution from  $t\bar{t}Z$  events. The rejection of events with an extra lepton or isolated track reduces this background contribution considerably. A smaller background contribution comes from the production of genuine SS lepton pairs, mainly through  $W^\pm W^\pm + \text{jets}$  and  $t\bar{t}W^\pm$  production. This contribution is reduced by requiring the two highest- $p_T$  jets not have a large invariant mass  $m_{jj}$  or large  $\eta$  separation and by excluding events with b-tagged jets. Another background contribution comes from events with one or more nonprompt leptons, such as those from semileptonic decays of heavy-flavor hadrons which arise mainly in  $W + \text{jets}$  and  $t\bar{t} + \text{jets}$  production. The stringent lepton identification requirements are designed to suppress this contribution as much as possible. Additional requirements that  $p_T^{\text{miss}}$  be substantial and that the dilepton mass not be small further suppress this contribution. In the  $e^\pm \mu^\pm$  channel, a requirement  $m_T^{\text{max}} > 90$  GeV is placed to reduce the contribution from the lost-lepton background from WZ production;  $m_T^{\text{max}}$  is the largest transverse mass obtained from  $p_T^{\text{miss}}$  and any lepton in the event. Background contributions from events containing misidentified or converted photons and from events with a lepton charge misassignment are minor. The details of the event selection for the SS category are listed in Table 1. There are six SRs defined according to the value of  $m_{jj}$  ( $m_{jj}$ -in or  $m_{jj}$ -out) and the flavors of the leptons:  $e^\pm e^\pm$ ,  $e^\pm \mu^\pm$ , or  $\mu^\pm \mu^\pm$ .

Table 1: Event selection criteria for the SS category, which contains events with two same-sign leptons and at least two hadronic jets.

Variable	$e^\pm e^\pm$	$e^\pm \mu^\pm$	$\mu^\pm \mu^\pm$
Signal leptons	2 tight same-sign leptons with $p_T > 25$ GeV		
Additional leptons	No additional rejection lepton		
Isolated tracks	No (additional) isolated tracks		
Jets	At least two jets with $p_T > 30$ GeV, $ \eta  < 2.5$		
b-tagged jets	No b-tagged jet		
$m_{jj}$ (dijet mass of jets closest in $\Delta R$ )	$65 < m_{jj} < 95$ GeV ( $m_{jj}$ -in) OR $ m_{jj} - 80$ GeV  $\geq 15$ GeV ( $m_{jj}$ -out)		
$m_{jj}$ (dijet mass of leading jets)	$< 400$ GeV		
$\Delta\eta$ of two leading jets	$< 1.5$		
$p_T^{\text{miss}}$	$> 60$ GeV	$> 60$ GeV	$> 60$ GeV if $m_{jj}$ -out
$m_{\ell\ell}$	$> 40$ GeV	$> 30$ GeV	$> 40$ GeV
$m_{\ell\ell}$	$ m_{\ell\ell} - m_Z  > 10$ GeV	—	—
$m_T^{\text{max}}$	—	$> 90$ GeV	—

The  $3\ell$  category contains signal events with all three W bosons decaying leptonically, so exactly three charged leptons are required. The fact that the total charge of the three leptons is  $\pm 1$  means that there can be zero, one, or two same-flavor, opposite-sign (SFOS) lepton pairs; three SRs are designated 0 SFOS, 1 SFOS, 2 SFOS accordingly. The background sources are similar to those in the SS category. The contribution from three prompt-lepton final states (mostly WZ production) is suppressed by requiring the invariant masses of all SFOS pairs to be incompatible with the Z boson mass and with low-mass resonances. Additional reduction is achieved through the following requirements: if exactly one SFOS lepton pair is found, the transverse mass  $m_T$  calculated from the third lepton and  $\vec{p}_T^{\text{miss}}$ ,  $m_T^{\text{3rd}}$ , must be larger than 90 GeV; and, for events with no SFOS pairs,  $m_T^{\text{max}}$  is required to be larger than 90 GeV. These  $m_T$  requirements reduce the three-lepton background contributions, which originate mostly from WZ production.

Background contributions from nonprompt leptons and converted or misidentified photons are reduced by requiring large  $p_T^{\text{miss}}$ , large  $p_T$  of the three-lepton system  $p_T(\ell\ell\ell)$ , and a large azimuthal separation  $\Delta\phi(\vec{p}_T(\ell\ell\ell), \vec{p}_T^{\text{miss}})$  between  $\vec{p}_T^{\text{miss}}$  and the transverse momentum vector of the three-lepton system,  $\vec{p}_T(\ell\ell\ell)$ . The nonprompt-lepton background from  $t\bar{t}$  production is further reduced by rejecting events with more than one jet or with any b-tagged jets. Background contributions from photon conversions in which the photon is radiated in a Z boson decay are suppressed by requiring that the three-lepton invariant mass  $m_{\ell\ell\ell}$  is not close to the Z boson mass. The details of the  $3\ell$  selection requirements are presented in Table 2.

For these event selection criteria, about one third of the selected signal events originate from resonant H boson production.

## 6 Background estimation

The background sources for the SS and  $3\ell$  categories are essentially the same. Four such sources are considered: lost leptons, two or three leptons from W decays, nonprompt leptons, and “other” minor sources. The lost-lepton background contributions come from final states with one or more Z bosons: WZ,  $t\bar{t}Z$ , and ZZ. This contribution is estimated using a three-lepton control region (CR) with at least one SFOS pair compatible with the decay of a Z boson. The background processes in which the SS lepton pair or all three leptons stem from the decay of

Table 2: Event selection criteria for the  $3\ell$  category, which contains events with exactly three leptons.

Variable	0 SFOS	1 SFOS	2 SFOS
Signal leptons	3 tight leptons with $p_T > 25/20/20$ GeV and charge sum = $\pm 1e$		
Additional leptons	No additional rejection lepton		
Jets	At most one jet with $p_T > 30$ GeV, $ \eta  < 5$		
b-tagged jets	No b-tagged jets		
$p_T(\ell\ell\ell)$	—	>60 GeV	>60 GeV
$\Delta\phi(\vec{p}_T(\ell\ell\ell), \vec{p}_T^{\text{miss}})$	—	>2.5	—
$p_T^{\text{miss}}$	>30 GeV	>45 GeV	>55 GeV
$m_T^{\text{max}}$	>90 GeV	—	—
$m_T^{\text{3rd}}$	—	>90 GeV	—
SF lepton mass	>20 GeV	—	—
Dielectron mass	$ m_{ee} - m_Z  > 15$ GeV	—	—
$m_{\text{SFOS}}$	—	$ m_{\text{SFOS}} - m_Z  > 20$ GeV and $m_{\text{SFOS}} > 20$ GeV	$ m_{\text{SFOS}} - m_Z  > 20$ GeV and $m_{\text{SFOS}} > 20$ GeV
$m_{\ell\ell\ell}$	—	$ m_{\ell\ell\ell} - m_Z  > 10$ GeV	—

a W boson, such as from the  $t\bar{t}W^\pm$  process, are estimated from simulation and validated in an appropriate CR. Background yields from nonprompt leptons are calibrated using a CR in which one lepton passes the “loose” identification requirements but fails the “tight” requirements (as discussed in Section 4). The other background contributions are predicted using simulated event samples that are validated using the data. The following sections provide the details of the background estimations.

## 6.1 Lost-lepton and three-lepton background

The background predictions for both the SS and the  $3\ell$  categories rely on the selection of a pair of leptons consistent with a Z boson decay. This background type is expected to contribute from about one third to over 90% of the total background yields, depending on the SR.

Simulation suggests that about two thirds of the lost-lepton events in the SRs of the SS category are present because a lepton does not pass the  $p_T$  and  $\eta$  requirements. The remaining lost leptons are rejected by identification and isolation requirements. For the SS category, events with three leptons are selected. The additional third lepton must have  $p_T > 20$  GeV. Among those three leptons, an SFOS lepton pair that satisfies  $|m_{\text{SFOS}} - m_Z| < 10$  GeV is required. All other SS selection criteria listed in Table 1 are imposed, except the requirement on  $m_{jj}$  is dropped in order to retain a sufficient number of events. For a given lepton flavor composition ( $e^\pm e^\pm$ ,  $e^\pm \mu^\pm$ , or  $\mu^\pm \mu^\pm$ ), the two corresponding SRs of the  $m_{jj}$ -in and  $m_{jj}$ -out selections have one common CR. In these events, the jets stem from initial-state radiation and have similar kinematic distributions in both the SRs and CRs, so the extrapolation from the CR to the SR is reliable.

For the  $3\ell$  category, the CRs are defined in a similar fashion. All selection criteria stated in Table 2 are retained, but the requirement  $|m_{\text{SFOS}} - m_Z| > 20$  GeV is inverted so that there is at least one SFOS lepton pair compatible with a Z boson decay. Many events are selected for the 1 and 2 SFOS CRs, but for the 0 SFOS SR no corresponding CR exists. The results are extrapolated from the 1 SFOS and 2 SFOS regions to the 0 SFOS region as follows: since the observed and predicted yields agree well in the 1 and 2 SFOS CRs, the central value for this background type in the 0 SFOS SR is taken from simulation, and the relative systematic uncertainty of the 1 SFOS SR prediction, as described below, is added to the statistical uncertainty in the simulated yield.



The transfer factors needed to relate the yields in the CRs to the background contributions in the SRs are calculated using the simulation. The observed yields in these CRs agree well with the yields predicted using the simulation. Corrections to this extrapolation due to differences between the lepton reconstruction efficiencies in data and simulation are applied, and corresponding uncertainties are evaluated. The modeling of the  $m_{\text{SFOS}}$  distribution and its associated uncertainty for the SS category is tested using the mass spectrum in the CR. For the  $3\ell$  category, in order to ensure no overlap with the SRs, this test is performed after inverting at least one of the SR requirement on  $p_{\text{T}}^{\text{miss}}$ ,  $\Delta\phi(\vec{p}_{\text{T}}(\ell\ell\ell), \vec{p}_{\text{T}}^{\text{miss}})$ ,  $p_{\text{T}}(\ell\ell\ell)$ , or  $m_{\text{T}}^{\text{3rd}}$ . This validation region has also only a small non- $3\ell$  contamination. The uncertainty due to limited knowledge of the VZ (V = W or Z) and  $t\bar{t}Z$  cross sections and their relative contribution in both SRs and CRs is estimated using events from the SS CRs, but after the requirement of no b-tagged jets is removed. The spectrum of the b-tagged jet multiplicity in simulation is fitted to the one observed in data, and the result of that fit is used to assess the uncertainty due to the relative contribution of VZ versus  $t\bar{t}Z$ . For the SS category, an additional uncertainty due to the  $m_{\text{jj}}$  modeling is evaluated by comparing the observed and predicted yields of all CRs. Experimental uncertainties, such as the uncertainty on the jet energy corrections (JECs), are taken into account. A correction for the non- $3\ell$  contamination of the CRs is applied. This contamination is small, and stems mostly from nonprompt leptons or leptons from photon misidentified as electrons. The contamination is estimated from simulation, and a 50% relative uncertainty is assigned based on the validation study reported in Section 6.4. Uncertainties associated with the CR-to-SR transfer factors are included also. The impact of all these uncertainties is discussed in Section 7.

A summary of the lost-lepton and three-lepton background estimation is reported in Table 3. All CRs are mutually exclusive and do not overlap with any of the SRs.

Table 3: Lost-lepton and three-lepton background contributions. The number of events in the data control regions (CRs) and the non- $3\ell$  contribution, which are estimated from simulation, are reported together with the control-to-signal region transfer factor ( $TF_{\text{CR}\rightarrow\text{SR}}$ ). The predicted background yields obtained from the simulated samples are given as MC prediction. Here, the uncertainty reflects the size of the simulated sample. The last column reports the prediction of the lost-lepton and three-lepton background contributions to the signal regions, together with the statistical and systematic uncertainties.

Channel	Data (CR)	Non- $3\ell$ (CR)	$TF_{\text{CR}\rightarrow\text{SR}}$	MC prediction	Background estimate	
SS $m_{\text{jj}}$ -in	$e^{\pm}e^{\pm}$	6	$0.01 \pm 0.01$	$0.134^{+0.053}_{-0.066}$	$0.45 \pm 0.17$	$0.80^{+0.48}_{-0.32}$ (stat) $^{+0.32}_{-0.40}$ (syst)
	$e^{\pm}\mu^{\pm}$	13	$0.26 \pm 0.13$	$0.103^{+0.024}_{-0.024}$	$1.56 \pm 0.31$	$1.31^{+0.48}_{-0.37}$ (stat) $^{+0.30}_{-0.30}$ (syst)
	$\mu^{\pm}\mu^{\pm}$	50	$1.04 \pm 0.58$	$0.062^{+0.011}_{-0.012}$	$3.04 \pm 0.48$	$3.02^{+0.50}_{-0.43}$ (stat) $^{+0.54}_{-0.60}$ (syst)
SS $m_{\text{jj}}$ -out	$e^{\pm}e^{\pm}$	6	$0.01 \pm 0.01$	$0.600^{+0.140}_{-0.144}$	$2.04 \pm 0.36$	$3.60^{+2.15}_{-1.43}$ (stat) $^{+0.84}_{-0.86}$ (syst)
	$e^{\pm}\mu^{\pm}$	13	$0.26 \pm 0.13$	$0.382^{+0.067}_{-0.064}$	$5.78 \pm 0.63$	$4.86^{+1.79}_{-1.36}$ (stat) $^{+0.85}_{-0.82}$ (syst)
	$\mu^{\pm}\mu^{\pm}$	50	$1.04 \pm 0.58$	$0.090^{+0.014}_{-0.014}$	$4.42 \pm 0.57$	$4.39^{+0.73}_{-0.63}$ (stat) $^{+0.67}_{-0.68}$ (syst)
$3\ell$	0 SFOS	—	—	—	$0.47 \pm 0.15$	$0.47^{+0.20}_{-0.19}$ (syst)
	1 SFOS	34	$1.01 \pm 0.53$	$0.095^{+0.019}_{-0.017}$	$3.40 \pm 0.48$	$3.14^{+0.66}_{-0.55}$ (stat) $^{+0.62}_{-0.55}$ (syst)
	2 SFOS	155	$2.74 \pm 1.37$	$0.066^{+0.009}_{-0.009}$	$10.07 \pm 0.87$	$10.10^{+0.89}_{-0.82}$ (stat) $^{+1.30}_{-1.30}$ (syst)

## 6.2 Background due to nonprompt leptons

The background contribution from nonprompt leptons is usually relatively small. However, because of the limited knowledge of this process, the associated uncertainty can have a significant impact on the result. The source of this background contribution is W+jets and  $t\bar{t}$  events

in which one or two leptons come from  $W$  boson decays and another lepton comes either from a heavy-flavor hadron decay or from misidentified light hadrons. The background contribution is estimated using the tight-to-loose (TL) method [58]. The implementation used in this analysis is similar to the one used in searches for supersymmetric particles [59] and accounts for the kinematic properties and flavor of the parent parton of the nonprompt lepton. The TL method uses two CRs: the measurement region, which is used to extract the TL ratio  $\epsilon_{\text{TL}}$ ; and the application region (AR), where  $\epsilon_{\text{TL}}$  is applied to estimate the contribution from the nonprompt-lepton background to the SRs. The  $\epsilon_{\text{TL}}$  measurement region is defined by events containing exactly one loose lepton. To enrich this region with nonprompt leptons, events with  $p_{\text{T}}^{\text{miss}} < 20 \text{ GeV}$  and  $m_{\text{T}}(\vec{p}_{\text{T}}^{\ell}, \vec{p}_{\text{T}}^{\text{miss}}) < 20 \text{ GeV}$  are selected. To select events with kinematic properties similar to those in  $W$ +jets and  $t\bar{t}$  events, the presence of at least one jet with  $p_{\text{T}} > 40 \text{ GeV}$ ,  $|\eta| < 2.4$  and  $\Delta R(\vec{p}_{\text{T}}^{\ell}, \vec{p}_{\text{T}}^{\text{jet}}) > 1$  is required. The TL ratio is defined as the fraction of events in the measurement region in which the loose lepton also passes the tight lepton selection; and  $\epsilon_{\text{TL}}$  is computed as a function of  $p_{\text{T}}^{\text{corr}}$  and  $|\eta|$ . Here,  $p_{\text{T}}^{\text{corr}}$  is  $p_{\text{T}}^{\ell}$  plus the fraction of the  $p_{\text{T}}$  sum of objects in the isolation cone exceeding the isolation threshold value defined in Section 4. The quantity  $p_{\text{T}}^{\text{corr}}$  is better correlated with the parent parton  $p_{\text{T}}$  than is  $p_{\text{T}}^{\ell}$ . The  $\epsilon_{\text{TL}}$  measurement is corrected for the contribution of prompt leptons in the measurement region. This contribution is taken from simulation, but its normalization is taken from data in the measurement region sideband satisfying  $p_{\text{T}}^{\text{miss}} > 30 \text{ GeV}$  and  $80 < m_{\text{T}}(\vec{p}_{\text{T}}^{\ell}, \vec{p}_{\text{T}}^{\text{miss}}) < 120 \text{ GeV}$ . Uncertainties in the extrapolation from the sideband to the measurement region are evaluated; they are dominated by the JEC uncertainty.

The ARs are defined similarly to the SRs, with the difference that one of the leptons only passes the loose but not the tight selection defined in Section 4. Nonprompt leptons are the main contribution to these regions; small contributions from prompt lepton events are estimated with simulations and subtracted. The background contribution is estimated by weighting each event by  $\epsilon_{\text{TL}}/(1 - \epsilon_{\text{TL}})$ , where  $\epsilon_{\text{TL}}$  is the probability that the lepton fails the tight selection, and summing all the event weights.

The performance of the TL method is evaluated in simulation by comparing the prediction of the TL method in the SR with the actual yield of nonprompt-lepton background; they agree within the statistical precision of this test. The statistical uncertainty of the test is assigned as an additional systematic uncertainty. The results of the nonprompt-lepton background estimation with its systematic uncertainties are given in Table 4.

Table 4: Nonprompt-lepton background estimates. The data in the application regions (AR), the prompt yields (AR) from simulations, and the predicted nonprompt-lepton background are reported. The uncertainties in the prediction are split into statistical and systematic components.

	Channel	Data (AR)	Prompt yield (AR)	Background estimate
SS $m_{\text{jj-in}}$	$e^{\pm}e^{\pm}$	8	$3.2 \pm 2.2$	$0.89 \pm 0.53$ (stat) $\pm 0.63$ (syst)
	$e^{\pm}\mu^{\pm}$	16	$1.7 \pm 0.3$	$0.92 \pm 0.26$ (stat) $\pm 0.43$ (syst)
	$\mu^{\pm}\mu^{\pm}$	57	$2.9 \pm 0.5$	$0.82 \pm 0.11$ (stat) $\pm 0.36$ (syst)
SS $m_{\text{jj-out}}$	$e^{\pm}e^{\pm}$	4	$1.1 \pm 0.5$	$0.47 \pm 0.32$ (stat) $\pm 0.28$ (syst)
	$e^{\pm}\mu^{\pm}$	32	$2.8 \pm 0.5$	$1.60 \pm 0.31$ (stat) $\pm 0.64$ (syst)
	$\mu^{\pm}\mu^{\pm}$	36	$3.2 \pm 0.5$	$0.59 \pm 0.11$ (stat) $\pm 0.25$ (syst)
$3\ell$	0 SFOS	17	$0.7 \pm 0.3$	$0.97 \pm 0.25$ (stat) $\pm 0.22$ (syst)
	1 SFOS	2	$0.8 \pm 0.3$	$0.07^{+0.08}_{-0.07}$ (stat) $^{+0.11}_{-0.07}$ (syst)
	2 SFOS	6	$2.0 \pm 0.5$	$0.30 \pm 0.18$ (stat) $\pm 0.25$ (syst)

### 6.3 Irreducible backgrounds

The third important background process for this search is irreducible, namely, two or three charged leptons originating from  $W$  boson decays. This background process is similar to the signal process and is estimated using Monte Carlo simulations. For the  $SS$  category, the simulation predicts that 49% of this background process comes from  $t\bar{t}V$  production (mostly  $t\bar{t}W^\pm$ ), 47% from  $W^\pm W^\pm +$  jets, and 4% from double-parton scattering (DPS)  $W^\pm W^\pm$ . For the  $3\ell$  category, the irreducible background process comes almost completely from  $t\bar{t}W^\pm$  production. The uncertainty for this background process is based on the relevant cross section measurements by the CMS Collaboration: for  $t\bar{t}W^\pm$  production the uncertainty is 22% [60] and for  $W^\pm W^\pm +$  jets it is 20% [61]. The estimation of this background process is verified in certain validation regions in which the dominant contribution comes from the  $t\bar{t}W^\pm$  process. The validation regions, however, are not as pure as those defined for the lost-lepton or nonprompt-lepton backgrounds. For the  $t\bar{t}W^\pm$  contribution, the validation region is defined by requiring events to contain two tight  $SS$  leptons,  $\geq 4$  jets,  $\geq 1$  b-tagged jets and  $60 < m_{jj} < 100$  GeV. For the  $W^\pm W^\pm +$  jets contribution, the validation region is constructed by requiring two tight  $SS$  leptons,  $\geq 2$  jets, 0 b-tagged jets,  $m_{jj} > 400$  GeV, and  $|\Delta\eta_{jj}| > 1.5$ . The observed yields and the estimates based on simulations agree within the statistical power of the test.

### 6.4 Other backgrounds

Other remaining background yields are expected to be very small. They originate from either a charge misassignment for one of the leptons or from events containing a photon that is either misidentified as an electron, or that converts to an  $\ell^+\ell^-$  pair with one of the leptons being lost. These contributions are estimated using simulation and are validated with data. The background yields due to lepton charge misassignment are validated in a dielectron sample with  $|m_{\ell\ell} - m_Z| < 10$  GeV by comparing the events yields when the two electrons have either the equal or opposite electric charge. The background contribution due to events with leptons originating from photons is validated in a three-lepton validation region enriched in  $Z\gamma$  production. The selection is similar to the  $3\ell$  SR selection (Table 2), but at least one SFOS lepton pair with  $|m_{\text{SFOS}} - m_Z| < 20$  GeV is required. Also the requirement on  $m_{\ell\ell}$  is dropped and the one on  $p_T(\ell\ell)$  is inverted. A 50% relative uncertainty is assigned to these background sources. Within this uncertainty, the agreement between data and simulation in these validation regions is satisfactory.

## 7 Systematic uncertainties

The systematic uncertainties of the estimated background contributions are discussed in Section 6 and a detailed summary is provided in Table 5. Systematic uncertainties associated with the  $WWW$  event production are described below and are summarized in Table 6.

The experimental uncertainties for the signal include JECs [55, 62], lepton energy resolution, lepton efficiency data-to-simulation correction factors [52, 53], b tagging correction factors [56], trigger efficiencies, pileup, and integrated luminosity [63] uncertainties. The lepton reconstruction efficiencies and trigger efficiencies are measured with a tag-and-probe method [64] applied to  $Z \rightarrow \ell^+\ell^-$  events.

The theoretical uncertainty for the predicted signal cross section is obtained from Ref. [1]. Uncertainties in the signal acceptance from the renormalization ( $\mu_R$ ) and factorization ( $\mu_F$ ) scales are evaluated [65–67]. Parametric (PDF and  $\alpha_s$ ) uncertainties are estimated using the PDF4LHC prescription [68] with the NNPDF3.0 set [44]. The impact of the systematic uncertainties on the

Table 5: Summary of typical systematic uncertainties in estimated background contributions. The ranges indicate variations across different signal regions.

Uncertainty	Lost-lepton/ three-lepton	Nonprompt leptons	$\gamma \rightarrow \ell$	Charge mis- assignment	Irreduc- ible
Control data sample size	11–46%	15–43%	—	—	—
Simulation statistical uncertainty	14–25%	—	—	—	4–18%
Lepton reconstruction	<1%	—	—	—	<1%
Lepton energy resolution	<1%	<1%	—	—	<1%
$m_{jj}$ modeling (SS only)	7.3%	—	—	—	—
Jet energy scale	1–7%	—	—	—	—
$m_{\text{SFOS}}$ extrapolation	5–8%	—	—	—	—
$t\bar{t}Z/WZ$ fraction	<1%	—	—	—	—
$\epsilon_{\text{TL}}$ measurement	—	21–43%	—	—	—
Validation of TL ratio method	—	22–25%	—	—	—
b tagging	<1%	—	—	—	2–4%
Cross section measurement	—	—	—	—	14–22%
Trigger	—	—	—	—	1%
Pileup	1–8%	—	—	—	—
Integrated luminosity	—	—	—	—	2.5%
Other uncertainties	—	—	50%	50%	—

signal is small compared to those of the background estimations.

Table 6: Summary of systematic uncertainties for the signal process.

Uncertainty	Typical size
Simulation statistical uncertainty	12–33%
Cross section calculation (normalization)	6%
$\mu_{\text{R}}/\mu_{\text{F}}$ (acceptance only)	1–13%
PDF (acceptance only)	1–4%
$\alpha_{\text{S}}$	1%
Lepton reconstruction efficiency	2–3%
Lepton energy resolution	0–2%
Jet energy scale	1–7%
b tagging scale factor	1–3%
Trigger	3–5%
Pileup	0–4%
Luminosity	2.5%

## 8 Results and interpretations

This section firstly presents the event yields in the nine nonoverlapping categories used to obtain the measured value of the production cross section. Secondly, contributions to the yield originating from aQGCs are considered. Finally, a possible signal from a specific beyond-the-SM model, photophobic axionlike particle production [24], is investigated.

### 8.1 Cross section measurement

The data in all SRs, together with the predicted background yields and expected signal yields, are provided in Table 7. The  $WH \rightarrow WWW^*$  process contributes about one third of the expected signal yield. A graphical representation is given in Fig. 2.

Table 7: Numbers of observed events for all signal regions, including predicted background contributions and expected signal yields. The uncertainties presented include both the statistical and systematic uncertainties.

	$m_{jj}$ -in		$m_{jj}$ -out			3 $\ell$			
	$e^\pm e^\pm$	$e^\pm \mu^\pm$	$\mu^\pm \mu^\pm$	$e^\pm e^\pm$	$e^\pm \mu^\pm$	$\mu^\pm \mu^\pm$	0 SFOS	1 SFOS	2 SFOS
Lost/three $\ell$	$0.8^{+0.6}_{-0.5}$	$1.3^{+0.6}_{-0.5}$	$3.0^{+0.7}_{-0.7}$	$3.6^{+2.3}_{-1.6}$	$4.9^{+1.9}_{-1.5}$	$4.4^{+0.9}_{-0.9}$	$0.5^{+0.2}_{-0.2}$	$3.1^{+0.8}_{-0.7}$	$10.1^{+1.3}_{-1.2}$
Irreducible	$0.3^{+0.1}_{-0.1}$	$1.0^{+0.2}_{-0.2}$	$1.9^{+0.3}_{-0.3}$	$1.3^{+0.2}_{-0.2}$	$3.7^{+0.4}_{-0.4}$	$3.9^{+0.4}_{-0.4}$	$0.2^{+0.0}_{-0.0}$	$0.1^{+0.1}_{-0.1}$	$0.1^{+0.1}_{-0.1}$
Nonprompt $\ell$	$0.9^{+0.7}_{-0.7}$	$0.9^{+0.8}_{-0.8}$	$0.8^{+0.6}_{-0.6}$	$0.6^{+0.6}_{-0.5}$	$1.8^{+1.4}_{-1.4}$	$0.8^{+0.5}_{-0.5}$	$1.0^{+0.6}_{-0.5}$	$0.1^{+0.1}_{-0.1}$	$0.3^{+0.2}_{-0.2}$
Charge flips	$0.2^{+0.2}_{-0.2}$	$0.4^{+0.3}_{-0.2}$	$<0.1$	$0.4^{+0.3}_{-0.3}$	$0.5^{+0.3}_{-0.3}$	$<0.1$	$0.2^{+0.1}_{-0.1}$	$<0.1$	$<0.1$
$\gamma \rightarrow$ nonprompt $\ell$	$0.2^{+0.1}_{-0.1}$	$0.1^{+0.1}_{-0.1}$	$<0.1$	$2.2^{+2.1}_{-2.1}$	$0.4^{+0.5}_{-0.4}$	$<0.1$	$<0.1$	$<0.1$	$<0.1$
Background sum	$2.4^{+1.0}_{-0.8}$	$3.7^{+1.1}_{-1.0}$	$5.6^{+1.0}_{-1.0}$	$8.1^{+3.2}_{-2.8}$	$11.3^{+2.5}_{-2.2}$	$9.1^{+1.2}_{-1.1}$	$1.8^{+0.6}_{-0.6}$	$3.3^{+0.8}_{-0.7}$	$10.4^{+1.3}_{-1.2}$
WWW signal	$0.3^{+0.1}_{-0.1}$	$1.8^{+0.3}_{-0.3}$	$2.4^{+0.3}_{-0.3}$	$0.4^{+0.2}_{-0.2}$	$1.3^{+0.3}_{-0.3}$	$1.5^{+0.4}_{-0.4}$	$1.8^{+0.4}_{-0.4}$	$1.5^{+0.3}_{-0.3}$	$0.7^{+0.3}_{-0.3}$
Total	$2.7^{+1.0}_{-0.8}$	$5.5^{+1.1}_{-1.0}$	$7.9^{+1.0}_{-1.0}$	$8.5^{+3.2}_{-2.7}$	$12.6^{+2.5}_{-2.2}$	$10.6^{+1.3}_{-1.2}$	$3.6^{+0.7}_{-0.7}$	$4.8^{+0.9}_{-0.8}$	$11.1^{+1.3}_{-1.2}$
Observed	0	3	10	4	10	18	2	2	10

A profile maximum likelihood method is used following the procedures set by the LHC Higgs Combination Group [69] to extract the expected and observed significances of this analysis to the SM WWW production process. The signal strength is constrained to be non-negative. The systematic uncertainties are treated as nuisance parameters and are profiled in the maximum likelihood fit. Using the significance as metric, the most sensitive categories among those shown in Fig. 2 are 0 SFOS,  $m_{jj}$ -in  $e^\pm \mu^\pm$ , 1 SFOS, and  $m_{jj}$ -in  $\mu^\pm \mu^\pm$ . For quantifying the absence of a signal, the modified frequentist  $CL_s$  statistic [70, 71] is used and asymptotic formulae [72] are used for quantifying the significance of an excess.

The expected significance for the combined SS and 3 $\ell$  categories is 1.78 standard deviations (s.d.) assuming the SM production of WWW events, whereas the observed significance is 0.60 s.d. The corresponding expected and observed  $p$ -values for the null hypothesis are 0.038 and 0.274. The best fit for the observed signal strength, defined as the ratio of the observed signal to the theoretically predicted one, is  $0.34^{+0.62}_{-0.34}$ . It follows that the measured cross section is

$$\sigma(pp \rightarrow W^\pm W^\pm W^\mp) = 0.17^{+0.32}_{-0.17} \text{ pb.}$$

The uncertainties include both statistical and systematic components. Assuming the presence of background only, the observed (expected) 95% confidence level (CL) upper limit on the cross section is 0.78 (0.60) pb.

## 8.2 Limits on anomalous quartic gauge couplings

The interaction of four gauge bosons depicted in Fig. 1 exists in the SM and contributes to the production of the WWW final state. New physics beyond the SM could be manifested as an apparent change in the coupling constant associated with the four-boson vertex, i.e., in an aQGC. A description based on aQGCs is appropriate when the mass scale for new physics  $\Lambda$  is much higher than the energy scale of the given process, in this case, WWW production characterized by the squared invariant mass of the three W bosons,  $\hat{s}_{WWW}$ .

Anomalous couplings can be handled theoretically by extending the SM Lagrangian with the operator product expansion [8]:

$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{SM}} + \sum_i \frac{c_i}{\Lambda^2} \mathcal{O}_i + \sum_j \frac{f_j}{\Lambda^4} \mathcal{O}_j + \dots,$$

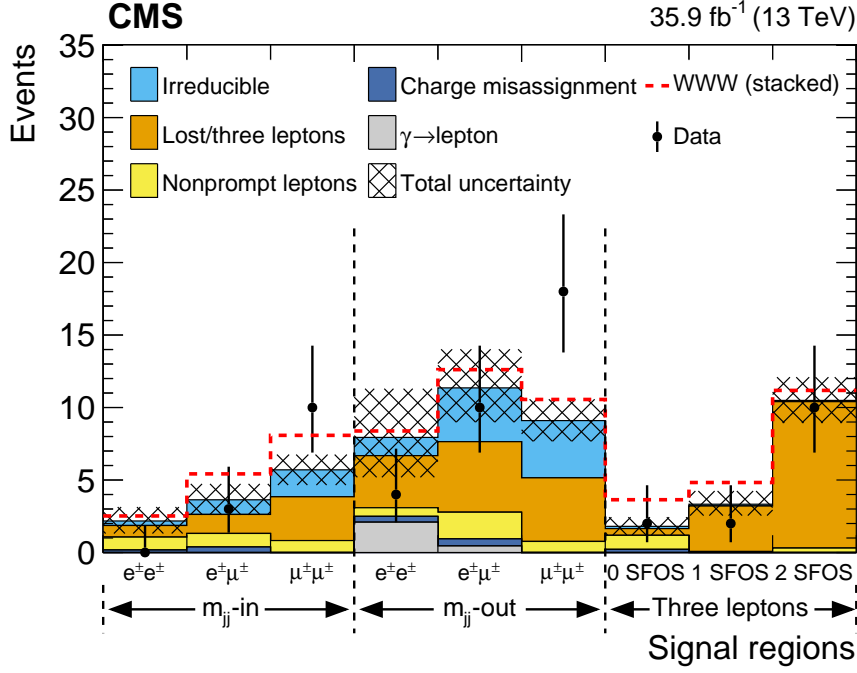


Figure 2: Comparison of the observed numbers of events to the predicted yields in the nine signal regions. The WWW signal shown is stacked on top of the total background and is based on the SM theoretical cross section.

where  $\mathcal{O}$  represents the higher-order dimension-6 and dimension-8 operators with Wilson coefficients  $c_i$  and  $f_j$ , respectively. The operators  $\mathcal{O}_i$  are constructed from SM fields and respect gauge invariance. The coefficients are unknown and are treated as free parameters to be determined by the data. The coefficients for all dimension-6 operators, which represent aTGCs, are taken to be zero. The following dimension-8, CP-conserving operators can be included in the non-SM part of the Lagrangian [8, 73]:

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{O}_{S,0} &= [(D_\mu \Phi)^\dagger D_\nu \Phi] [(D^\mu \Phi)^\dagger D^\nu \Phi], & \mathcal{O}_{S,1} &= [(D_\mu \Phi)^\dagger D^\mu \Phi] [(D_\nu \Phi)^\dagger D^\nu \Phi], \\
\mathcal{O}_{M,0} &= \text{Tr} [\hat{W}_{\mu\nu} \hat{W}^{\mu\nu}] [(D_\beta \Phi)^\dagger D^\beta \Phi], & \mathcal{O}_{M,1} &= \text{Tr} [\hat{W}_{\mu\nu} \hat{W}^{\nu\beta}] [(D_\beta \Phi)^\dagger D^\mu \Phi], \\
\mathcal{O}_{M,6} &= [(D_\mu \Phi)^\dagger \hat{W}_{\beta\nu} \hat{W}^{\beta\nu} D^\mu \Phi], & \mathcal{O}_{M,7} &= [(D_\mu \Phi)^\dagger \hat{W}_{\beta\nu} \hat{W}^{\beta\mu} D^\nu \Phi], \\
\mathcal{O}_{T,0} &= \text{Tr} [W_{\mu\nu} W^{\mu\nu}] \text{Tr} [W_{\alpha\beta} W^{\alpha\beta}], & \mathcal{O}_{T,1} &= \text{Tr} [W_{\alpha\nu} W^{\mu\beta}] \text{Tr} [W_{\mu\beta} W^{\alpha\nu}], \\
\mathcal{O}_{T,2} &= \text{Tr} [W_{\alpha\mu} W^{\mu\beta}] \text{Tr} [W_{\beta\nu} W^{\nu\alpha}].
\end{aligned}$$

The Lagrangian including dimension-8 anomalous coupling terms is:

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{SM}} &+ \frac{f_{S,0}}{\Lambda^4} \mathcal{O}_{S,0} + \frac{f_{S,1}}{\Lambda^4} \mathcal{O}_{S,1} + \frac{f_{M,0}}{\Lambda^4} \mathcal{O}_{M,0} + \\
&\frac{f_{M,1}}{\Lambda^4} \mathcal{O}_{M,1} + \frac{f_{M,6}}{\Lambda^4} \mathcal{O}_{M,6} + \frac{f_{M,7}}{\Lambda^4} \mathcal{O}_{M,7} + \\
&\frac{f_{T,0}}{\Lambda^4} \mathcal{O}_{T,0} + \frac{f_{T,1}}{\Lambda^4} \mathcal{O}_{T,1} + \frac{f_{T,2}}{\Lambda^4} \mathcal{O}_{T,2},
\end{aligned}$$

where the coefficients  $f_{x,n}/\Lambda^4$  have dimension  $\text{TeV}^{-4}$ . No form factors for enforcing unitarity

are employed in this analysis. When looking for evidence of anomalous couplings, WWW production as predicted in the SM is taken as a background process. Interference effects between the SM and the anomalous contribution to WWW production are taken into account.

Since  $\hat{s}_{WWW}$  cannot be measured directly, the kinematic quantity  $S_T$  is employed, which is the sum of the  $p_T$  of the leptons and the jets, and  $p_T^{\text{miss}}$ . The presence of aQGCs would be manifested as an excess of events at high  $S_T$ . Since non-WWW background events and SM WWW events appear at low  $S_T$ , a requirement of  $S_T > S_T^{\text{min}}$  is imposed. The value for  $S_T^{\text{min}}$  is chosen to optimize the expected limits on the anomalous coupling  $f_{T,0}/\Lambda^4$  for which this analysis is most sensitive. For the SS and  $3\ell$  categories, the values are  $S_T^{\text{min}} = 2.0$  and  $1.5$  TeV, respectively. There is little sensitivity to the operators involving Higgs doublet terms.

The event selection is the same as described in Section 5, except that the restriction  $m_{j\bar{j}} < 400$  GeV on the invariant mass of the leading two jets is removed to retain sensitivity to aQGCs. All SRs of the SS category (Table 1) and the  $3\ell$  category (Table 2) are merged into one SS and one  $3\ell$  SR, respectively. After the  $S_T$  requirement stated above, the numbers of events expected in the SM are very small:  $0.22 \pm 0.10$  events in the SS category (mainly  $W^\pm W^\pm + \text{jets}$  events) and less than 0.01 event in the  $3\ell$  category. The systematic uncertainty assigned to the predicted background yields is 30% but the predicted limits on anomalous couplings are insensitive to this uncertainty. Furthermore, higher-order corrections might reduce the production cross section [74]. As a test the signal yield was reduced by 25% and it was found that the allowed range of anomalous couplings was increased by about 11%.

No events are selected when the event selection criteria are imposed on the data. In the absence of any indication for anomalous couplings, limits are set as summarized in Table 8. When calculating the limit on one anomalous coupling, the others are taken to be zero.

Table 8: Limits on three anomalous quartic couplings at 95% CL.

Anomalous coupling	Allowed range (TeV <sup>-4</sup> )	
	Expected	Observed
$f_{T,0}/\Lambda^4$	[-1.3, 1.3]	[-1.2, 1.2]
$f_{T,1}/\Lambda^4$	[-3.7, 3.7]	[-3.3, 3.3]
$f_{T,2}/\Lambda^4$	[-3.0, 2.9]	[-2.7, 2.6]

### 8.3 Limits on photophobic axionlike particle models

Since the discovery of a H boson [75–77], searches for extended scalar sectors have been of high interest [78, 79]. For example, pseudoscalar particles like the quantum chromodynamics axion, which solve the strong CP problem [15–18], can also be candidates for dark matter [80–82]. Other examples address the hierarchy problem via relaxation mechanisms through the relaxion field [83]. An ALP can have a variety of couplings to SM gauge bosons. Recently, theoretical studies have been extended to include couplings to gauge bosons besides photons [20–23]. Generally speaking, if the ALPs are sufficiently light, branching fractions to photons are expected to be large.

In this study, photophobic ALPs [24] are considered whose mass is large enough that their dominant decay mode is  $a \rightarrow WW$ . In this scenario, the WWW final state results from the production of  $Wa$  followed by  $a \rightarrow WW$ . The WWW channel has the largest product of production cross section and branching fraction for  $m_a \gtrsim 2m_W$ , [24]. For  $m_a \lesssim 2m_W$ , the branching fraction falls off rapidly; the interpretation for  $m_a < 200$  GeV is left for future analyses. The model has one free parameter,  $1/f_a$ , which fully determines the couplings of the ALP of mass

$m_a$  to SM particles. In this context, as for aQGCs discussed in Section 8.2, the SM production of WWW is treated as a background to new physics.

For the ALP interpretation, the nine SRs developed for the SM analysis (Tables 1 and 2) are used. The acceptance of the model in these SRs follows an expected pattern: when  $m_a = 200$  GeV, the acceptance is similar to that estimated for the SM WWW signal process. As  $m_a$  increases, the acceptance rises because the events are more centrally produced and the decay products more often fall within the fiducial region.

There is no evidence for an excess of events (Table 7). Limits on the production of the  $Wa$  final state and on the parameter  $1/f_a$  are placed using the methods described in Section 8.1 for the SM production of WWW. The limits are displayed as a function of  $m_a$  in Fig. 3 (left) for  $\sigma(pp \rightarrow Wa)\mathcal{B}(a \rightarrow WW)$  and in Fig. 3 (right) for  $1/f_a$ .

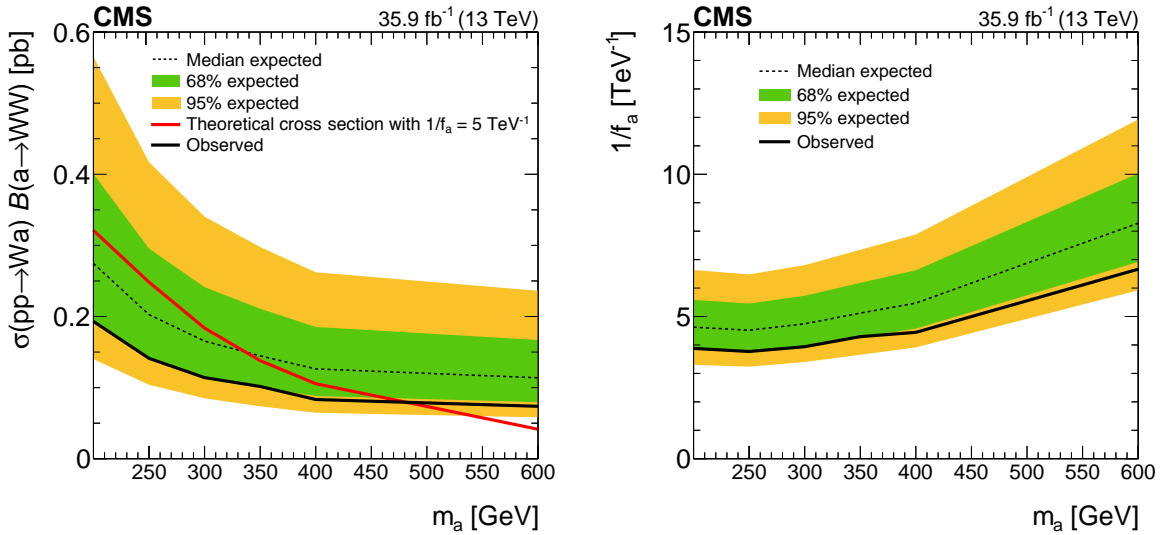


Figure 3: (left) Expected and observed 95% CL upper limits on the product of the cross section and branching fraction  $\sigma(pp \rightarrow Wa)\mathcal{B}(a \rightarrow WW)$  as a function of ALP mass. The red line corresponds to the theoretical prediction for  $1/f_a = 5 \text{ TeV}^{-1}$ . (right) Expected and observed 95% CL upper limits on the photophobic ALP model parameter  $1/f_a$  as a function of ALP mass.

## 9 Summary

A search for  $W^\pm W^\pm W^\mp$  production using proton-proton collision data at a center-of-mass energy of 13 TeV was presented. Events with either two same-sign leptons (electrons or muons) and two jets or with three leptons with total charge  $\pm 1$  were selected. The data were collected with the CMS experiment and correspond to an integrated luminosity of  $35.9 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ . The dominant sources of standard model backgrounds include nonprompt leptons, three-lepton events such as those from the process  $WZ \rightarrow 3\ell\nu$ , as well as  $W^\pm W^\pm + \text{jets}$  and  $t\bar{t}W^\pm$  production. Predictions for these backgrounds were derived or validated using data in dedicated control regions. The observed (expected) significance for  $W^\pm W^\pm W^\mp$  production is 0.60 (1.78) standard deviations and the ratio of measured signal yield to that expected from the standard model is  $0.34^{+0.62}_{-0.34}$ , which corresponds to a measured cross section of  $0.17^{+0.32}_{-0.17} \text{ pb}$ .

New physics processes that could lead to an excess of events were considered. Limits on anomalous quartic gauge couplings are set, for example;  $-1.2 < f_{T,0}/\Lambda^4 < 1.2 \text{ TeV}^{-4}$  at 95%



confidence level. Limits are also set on the production of axionlike particles in association with a  $W$  boson: mass points between  $m_a = 200$  and  $480$  GeV are excluded for the parameter value  $1/f_a = 5 \text{ TeV}^{-1}$ .

## Acknowledgments

We thank Nathaniel Craig and Skyler Kasko for performing calculations of the cross section for the ALP model and producing generator-level samples used in this analysis.

We congratulate our colleagues in the CERN accelerator departments for the excellent performance of the LHC and thank the technical and administrative staffs at CERN and at other CMS institutes for their contributions to the success of the CMS effort. In addition, we gratefully acknowledge the computing centers and personnel of the Worldwide LHC Computing Grid for delivering so effectively the computing infrastructure essential to our analyses. Finally, we acknowledge the enduring support for the construction and operation of the LHC and the CMS detector provided by the following funding agencies: BMWFW and FWF (Austria); FNRS and FWO (Belgium); CNPq, CAPES, FAPERJ, and FAPESP (Brazil); MES (Bulgaria); CERN; CAS, MoST, and NSFC (China); COLCIENCIAS (Colombia); MSES and CSF (Croatia); RPF (Cyprus); SENESCYT (Ecuador); MoER, ERC IUT, and ERDF (Estonia); Academy of Finland, MEC, and HIP (Finland); CEA and CNRS/IN2P3 (France); BMBF, DFG, and HGF (Germany); GSRT (Greece); OTKA and NIH (Hungary); DAE and DST (India); IPM (Iran); SFI (Ireland); INFN (Italy); MSIP and NRF (Republic of Korea); LAS (Lithuania); MOE and UM (Malaysia); BUAP, CINVESTAV, CONACYT, LNS, SEP, and UASLP-FAI (Mexico); MBIE (New Zealand); PAEC (Pakistan); MSHE and NSC (Poland); FCT (Portugal); JINR (Dubna); MON, RosAtom, RAS, RFBR and RAEP (Russia); MESTD (Serbia); SEIDI, CPAN, PCTI and FEDER (Spain); Swiss Funding Agencies (Switzerland); MST (Taipei); ThEPCenter, IPST, STAR, and NSTDA (Thailand); TUBITAK and TAEK (Turkey); NASU and SFFR (Ukraine); STFC (United Kingdom); DOE and NSF (USA).

Individuals have received support from the Marie-Curie program and the European Research Council and Horizon 2020 Grant, contract No. 675440 (European Union); the Leventis Foundation; the A. P. Sloan Foundation; the Alexander von Humboldt Foundation; the Belgian Federal Science Policy Office; the Fonds pour la Formation à la Recherche dans l'Industrie et dans l'Agriculture (FRIA-Belgium); the Agentschap voor Innovatie door Wetenschap en Technologie (IWT-Belgium); the Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports (MEYS) of the Czech Republic; the Council of Science and Industrial Research, India; the HOMING PLUS program of the Foundation for Polish Science, cofinanced from European Union, Regional Development Fund, the Mobility Plus program of the Ministry of Science and Higher Education, the National Science Center (Poland), contracts Harmonia 2014/14/M/ST2/00428, Opus 2014/13/B/ST2/02543, 2014/15/B/ST2/03998, and 2015/19/B/ST2/02861, Sonata-bis 2012/07/E/ST2/01406; the National Priorities Research Program by Qatar National Research Fund; the Programa Severo Ochoa del Principado de Asturias; the Thalís and Aristeia programs cofinanced by EU-ESF and the Greek NSRF; the Rachadapisek Sompot Fund for Postdoctoral Fellowship, Chulalongkorn University and the Chulalongkorn Academic into Its 2nd Century Project Advancement Project (Thailand); the Welch Foundation, contract C-1845; and the Weston Havens Foundation (USA).

## References

- [1] S. Dittmaier, A. Huss, and G. Knippen, "Next-to-leading-order QCD and electroweak corrections to  $WWW$  production at proton-proton colliders", *JHEP* **09** (2017) 034,

- doi:10.1007/JHEP09(2017)034, arXiv:1705.03722.
- [2] D. de Florian et al., “Handbook of LHC Higgs cross sections: 4. Deciphering the nature of the Higgs sector”, CERN Report CERN-2017-002-M, 2016.  
doi:10.23731/CYRM-2017-002, arXiv:1610.07922.
- [3] ATLAS Collaboration, “Search for triboson  $W^\pm W^\pm W^\mp$  production in pp collisions at  $\sqrt{s} = 8$  TeV with the ATLAS detector”, *Eur. Phys. J. C* **77** (2017) 141,  
doi:10.1140/epjc/s10052-017-4692-1, arXiv:1610.05088.
- [4] ATLAS Collaboration, “Evidence for the production of three massive vector bosons with the ATLAS detector”, (2019). arXiv:1903.10415. Submitted to *Phys. Lett. B*.
- [5] C. Degrande et al., “Effective field theory: a modern approach to anomalous couplings”, *Annals Phys.* **335** (2013) 21, doi:10.1016/j.aop.2013.04.016, arXiv:1205.4231.
- [6] W. Buchmüller and D. Wyler, “Effective Lagrangian analysis of new interactions and flavor conservation”, *Nucl. Phys. B* **268** (1986) 621,  
doi:10.1016/0550-3213(86)90262-2.
- [7] B. Grzadkowski, M. Iskrzyński, M. Misiak, and J. Rosiek, “Dimension-six terms in the standard model Lagrangian”, *JHEP* **10** (2010) 085, doi:10.1007/JHEP10(2010)085,  
arXiv:1008.4884.
- [8] C. Degrande, “A basis of dimension-eight operators for anomalous neutral triple gauge boson interactions”, *JHEP* **02** (2014) 101, doi:10.1007/JHEP02(2014)101,  
arXiv:1308.6323.
- [9] CMS Collaboration, “Search for anomalous couplings in boosted  $WW/WZ \rightarrow \ell\nu q\bar{q}$  production in proton-proton collisions at  $\sqrt{s} = 8$  TeV”, *Phys. Lett. B* **772** (2017) 21,  
doi:10.1016/j.physletb.2017.06.009, arXiv:1703.06095.
- [10] CMS Collaboration, “Measurements of the  $pp \rightarrow WZ$  inclusive and differential production cross section and constraints on charged anomalous triple gauge couplings at  $\sqrt{s} = 13$  TeV”, *JHEP* **04** (2019) 122, doi:10.1007/JHEP04(2019)122,  
arXiv:1901.03428.
- [11] CMS Collaboration, “Measurement of electroweak production of a W boson in association with two jets in proton-proton collisions at  $\sqrt{s} = 13$  TeV”, (2019).  
arXiv:1903.04040. Submitted to *EPJC*.
- [12] ATLAS Collaboration, “Measurement of the electroweak production of dijets in association with a Z boson and distributions sensitive to vector boson fusion in proton-proton collisions at  $\sqrt{s} = 8$  TeV using the ATLAS detector”, *JHEP* **04** (2014) 031,  
doi:10.1007/JHEP04(2014)031, arXiv:1401.7610.
- [13] ATLAS Collaboration, “Measurements of  $W^\pm Z$  production cross sections in pp collisions at  $\sqrt{s} = 8$  TeV with the ATLAS detector and limits on anomalous gauge boson self-couplings”, *Phys. Rev. D* **93** (2016) 092004, doi:10.1103/PhysRevD.93.092004,  
arXiv:1603.02151.
- [14] ATLAS Collaboration, “Measurement of  $WW/WZ \rightarrow \ell\nu qq'$  production with the hadronically decaying boson reconstructed as one or two jets in pp collisions at  $\sqrt{s} = 8$  TeV with ATLAS, and constraints on anomalous gauge couplings”, *Eur. Phys. J. C* **77** (2017) 563, doi:10.1140/epjc/s10052-017-5084-2, arXiv:1706.01702.

- [15] R. D. Peccei and H. R. Quinn, “CP conservation in the presence of pseudoparticles”, *Phys. Rev. Lett.* **38** (1977) 1440, doi:10.1103/PhysRevLett.38.1440.
- [16] R. D. Peccei and H. R. Quinn, “Constraints imposed by CP conservation in the presence of pseudoparticles”, *Phys. Rev. D* **16** (1977) 1791, doi:10.1103/PhysRevD.16.1791.
- [17] S. Weinberg, “A new light boson?”, *Phys. Rev. Lett.* **40** (1978) 223, doi:10.1103/PhysRevLett.40.223.
- [18] F. Wilczek, “Problem of strong  $P$  and  $T$  invariance in the presence of instantons”, *Phys. Rev. Lett.* **40** (1978) 279, doi:10.1103/PhysRevLett.40.279.
- [19] P. W. Graham, D. E. Kaplan, and S. Rajendran, “Cosmological relaxation of the electroweak scale”, *Phys. Rev. Lett.* **115** (2015) 221801, doi:10.1103/PhysRevLett.115.221801, arXiv:1504.07551.
- [20] I. Brivio et al., “ALPs effective field theory and collider signatures”, *Eur. Phys. J. C* **77** (2017) 572, doi:10.1140/epjc/s10052-017-5111-3, arXiv:1701.05379.
- [21] E. Izaguirre, T. Lin, and B. Shuve, “Searching for axionlike particles in flavor-changing neutral current processes”, *Phys. Rev. Lett.* **118** (2017) 111802, doi:10.1103/PhysRevLett.118.111802, arXiv:1611.09355.
- [22] M. Bauer, M. Neubert, and A. Thamm, “Collider probes of axion-like particles”, *JHEP* **12** (2017) 044, doi:10.1007/JHEP12(2017)044, arXiv:1708.00443.
- [23] M. J. Dolan et al., “Revised constraints and Belle II sensitivity for visible and invisible axion-like particles”, *JHEP* **12** (2017) 094, doi:10.1007/JHEP12(2017)094, arXiv:1709.00009.
- [24] N. Craig, A. Hook, and S. Kasko, “The photophobic ALP”, *JHEP* **09** (2018) 028, doi:10.1007/JHEP09(2018)028, arXiv:1805.06538.
- [25] CMS Collaboration, “The CMS trigger system”, *JINST* **12** (2017) P01020, doi:10.1088/1748-0221/12/01/P01020, arXiv:1609.02366.
- [26] CMS Collaboration, “The CMS experiment at the CERN LHC”, *JINST* **3** (2008) S08004, doi:10.1088/1748-0221/3/08/S08004.
- [27] CMS Collaboration, “Performance of the CMS missing transverse momentum reconstruction in pp data at  $\sqrt{s} = 8$  TeV”, *JINST* **10** (2015) P02006, doi:10.1088/1748-0221/10/02/P02006, arXiv:1411.0511.
- [28] J. Alwall et al., “The automated computation of tree-level and next-to-leading order differential cross sections, and their matching to parton shower simulations”, *JHEP* **07** (2014) 079, doi:10.1007/JHEP07(2014)079, arXiv:1405.0301.
- [29] R. Frederix and S. Frixione, “Merging meets matching in MC@NLO”, *JHEP* **12** (2012) 061, doi:10.1007/JHEP12(2012)061, arXiv:1209.6215.
- [30] J. Alwall et al., “Comparative study of various algorithms for the merging of parton showers and matrix elements in hadronic collisions”, *Eur. Phys. J. C* **53** (2008) 473, doi:10.1140/epjc/s10052-007-0490-5, arXiv:0706.2569.

- 
- [31] P. Nason, “A new method for combining NLO QCD with shower Monte Carlo algorithms”, *JHEP* **11** (2004) 040, doi:10.1088/1126-6708/2004/11/040, arXiv:hep-ph/0409146.
- [32] S. Frixione, P. Nason, and C. Oleari, “Matching NLO QCD computations with parton shower simulations: the POWHEG method”, *JHEP* **11** (2007) 070, doi:10.1088/1126-6708/2007/11/070, arXiv:0709.2092.
- [33] S. Alioli, P. Nason, C. Oleari, and E. Re, “A general framework for implementing NLO calculations in shower Monte Carlo programs: the POWHEG box”, *JHEP* **06** (2010) 043, doi:10.1007/JHEP06(2010)043, arXiv:1002.2581.
- [34] E. Re, “Single-top  $Wt$ -channel production matched with parton showers using the POWHEG method”, *Eur. Phys. J. C* **71** (2011) 1547, doi:10.1140/epjc/s10052-011-1547-z, arXiv:1009.2450.
- [35] R. Gavin, Y. Li, F. Petriello, and S. Quackenbush, “FEWZ 2.0: A code for hadronic  $Z$  production at next-to-next-to-leading order”, *Comput. Phys. Commun.* **182** (2011) 2388, doi:10.1016/j.cpc.2011.06.008, arXiv:1011.3540.
- [36] J. M. Campbell, R. K. Ellis, and C. Williams, “Vector boson pair production at the LHC”, *JHEP* **07** (2011) 018, doi:10.1007/JHEP07(2011)018, arXiv:1105.0020.
- [37] M. Czakon and A. Mitov, “Top++: A program for the calculation of the top-pair cross-section at hadron colliders”, *Comput. Phys. Commun.* **185** (2014) 2930, doi:10.1016/j.cpc.2014.06.021, arXiv:1112.5675.
- [38] R. Gavin, Y. Li, F. Petriello, and S. Quackenbush, “ $W$  physics at the LHC with FEWZ 2.1”, *Comput. Phys. Commun.* **184** (2013) 208, doi:10.1016/j.cpc.2012.09.005, arXiv:1201.5896.
- [39] J. M. Campbell and R. K. Ellis, “ $t\bar{t}W^\pm$  production and decay at NLO”, *JHEP* **07** (2012) 052, doi:10.1007/JHEP07(2012)052, arXiv:1204.5678.
- [40] M. V. Garzelli, A. Kardos, C. G. Papadopoulos, and Z. Trocsanyi, “ $t\bar{t}W^\pm$  and  $t\bar{t}Z$  hadroproduction at NLO accuracy in QCD with parton shower and hadronization effects”, *JHEP* **11** (2012) 056, doi:10.1007/JHEP11(2012)056, arXiv:1208.2665.
- [41] F. Cascioli et al., “ $ZZ$  production at hadron colliders in NNLO QCD”, *Phys. Lett. B* **735** (2014) 311, doi:10.1016/j.physletb.2014.06.056, arXiv:1405.2219.
- [42] M. Grazzini, S. Kallweit, D. Rathlev, and M. Wiesemann, “ $W^\pm Z$  production at hadron colliders in NNLO QCD”, *Phys. Lett. B* **761** (2016) 179, doi:10.1016/j.physletb.2016.08.017, arXiv:1604.08576.
- [43] O. Mattelaer, “On the maximal use of Monte Carlo samples: re-weighting events at NLO accuracy”, *Eur. Phys. J. C* **76** (2016) 674, doi:10.1140/epjc/s10052-016-4533-7, arXiv:1607.00763.
- [44] NNPDF Collaboration, “Parton distributions for the LHC run II”, *JHEP* **04** (2015) 040, doi:10.1007/JHEP04(2015)040, arXiv:1410.8849.
- [45] T. Sjöstrand et al., “An introduction to PYTHIA 8.2”, *Comput. Phys. Commun.* **191** (2015) 159, doi:10.1016/j.cpc.2015.01.024, arXiv:1410.3012.

- [46] CMS Collaboration, “Event generator tunes obtained from underlying event and multiparton scattering measurements”, *Eur. Phys. J. C* **76** (2016) 155, doi:10.1140/epjc/s10052-016-3988-x, arXiv:1512.00815.
- [47] GEANT4 Collaboration, “GEANT4—a simulation toolkit”, *Nucl. Instrum. Meth. A* **506** (2003) 250, doi:10.1016/S0168-9002(03)01368-8.
- [48] CMS Collaboration, “Particle-flow reconstruction and global event description with the CMS detector”, *JINST* **12** (2017) P10003, doi:10.1088/1748-0221/12/10/P10003, arXiv:1706.04965.
- [49] M. Cacciari, G. P. Salam, and G. Soyez, “The anti- $k_T$  jet clustering algorithm”, *JHEP* **04** (2008) 063, doi:10.1088/1126-6708/2008/04/063, arXiv:0802.1189.
- [50] M. Cacciari and G. P. Salam, “Dispelling the  $N^3$  myth for the  $k_T$  jet-finder”, *Phys. Lett. B* **641** (2006) 57, doi:10.1016/j.physletb.2006.08.037, arXiv:hep-ph/0512210.
- [51] M. Cacciari, G. P. Salam, and G. Soyez, “FastJet user manual”, *Eur. Phys. J. C* **72** (2012) 1896, doi:10.1140/epjc/s10052-012-1896-2, arXiv:1111.6097.
- [52] CMS Collaboration, “Performance of electron reconstruction and selection with the CMS detector in proton-proton collisions at  $\sqrt{s} = 8$  TeV”, *JINST* **10** (2015) P06005, doi:10.1088/1748-0221/10/06/P06005, arXiv:1502.02701.
- [53] CMS Collaboration, “Performance of the CMS muon detector and muon reconstruction with proton-proton collisions at  $\sqrt{s} = 13$  TeV”, *JINST* **13** (2018) P06015, doi:10.1088/1748-0221/13/06/P06015, arXiv:1804.04528.
- [54] M. Cacciari and G. P. Salam, “Pileup subtraction using jet areas”, *Phys. Lett. B* **659** (2008) 119, doi:10.1016/j.physletb.2007.09.077, arXiv:0707.1378.
- [55] CMS Collaboration, “Jet energy scale and resolution in the CMS experiment in pp collisions at 8 TeV”, *JINST* **12** (2017) P02014, doi:10.1088/1748-0221/12/02/P02014, arXiv:1607.03663.
- [56] CMS Collaboration, “Identification of heavy-flavour jets with the CMS detector in pp collisions at 13 TeV”, *JINST* **13** (2018) P05011, doi:10.1088/1748-0221/13/05/P05011, arXiv:1712.07158.
- [57] CMS Collaboration, “Performance of missing transverse momentum reconstruction in proton-proton collisions at  $\sqrt{s} = 13$  TeV using the CMS detector”, *JINST* **14** (2019) P07004, doi:10.1088/1748-0221/14/07/P07004, arXiv:1903.06078.
- [58] CMS Collaboration, “First measurement of the cross section for top quark pair production in proton-proton collisions at  $\sqrt{s} = 7$  TeV”, *Phys. Lett. B* **695** (2011) 424, doi:10.1016/j.physletb.2010.11.058, arXiv:1010.5994.
- [59] CMS Collaboration, “Search for physics beyond the standard model in events with two leptons of same sign, missing transverse momentum, and jets in proton-proton collisions at  $\sqrt{s} = 13$  TeV”, *Eur. Phys. J. C* **77** (2017) 578, doi:10.1140/epjc/s10052-017-5079-z, arXiv:1704.07323.
- [60] CMS Collaboration, “Measurement of the cross section for top quark pair production in association with a W or Z boson in proton-proton collisions at  $\sqrt{s} = 13$  TeV”, *JHEP* **08** (2018) 011, doi:10.1007/JHEP08(2018)011, arXiv:1711.02547.

- 
- [61] CMS Collaboration, “Observation of electroweak production of same-sign W boson pairs in the two jet and two same-sign lepton final state in proton-proton collisions at  $\sqrt{s} = 13$  TeV”, *Phys. Rev. Lett.* **120** (2018) 081801, doi:10.1103/PhysRevLett.120.081801, arXiv:1709.05822.
- [62] CMS Collaboration, “Jet energy scale and resolution performances with 13 TeV data”, CMS Detector Performance Report CMS-DP-2016-020, 2016.
- [63] CMS Collaboration, “CMS luminosity measurements for the 2016 data taking period”, CMS Physics Analysis Summary CMS-PAS-LUM-17-001, 2017.
- [64] CMS Collaboration, “Measurement of the inclusive W and Z production cross sections in pp collisions at  $\sqrt{s} = 7$  TeV”, *JHEP* **10** (2011) 132, doi:10.1007/JHEP10(2011)132, arXiv:1107.4789.
- [65] S. Catani, D. de Florian, M. Grazzini, and P. Nason, “Soft gluon resummation for Higgs boson production at hadron colliders”, *JHEP* **07** (2003) 028, doi:10.1088/1126-6708/2003/07/028, arXiv:hep-ph/0306211.
- [66] M. Cacciari et al., “The  $t\bar{t}$  cross section at 1.8 TeV and 1.96 TeV: a study of the systematics due to parton densities and scale dependence”, *JHEP* **04** (2004) 068, doi:10.1088/1126-6708/2004/04/068, arXiv:hep-ph/0303085.
- [67] A. Kalogeropoulos and J. Alwall, “The SysCalc code: A tool to derive theoretical systematic uncertainties”, (2018). arXiv:1801.08401.
- [68] J. Butterworth et al., “PDF4LHC recommendations for LHC run II”, *J. Phys. G* **43** (2016) 023001, doi:10.1088/0954-3899/43/2/023001, arXiv:1510.03865.
- [69] The ATLAS Collaboration, The CMS Collaboration, The LHC Higgs Combination Group, “Procedure for the LHC Higgs boson search combination in Summer 2011”, Technical Report CMS-NOTE-2011-005, ATL-PHYS-PUB-2011-11, 2011.
- [70] T. Junk, “Confidence level computation for combining searches with small statistics”, *Nucl. Instrum. Meth. A* **434** (1999) 435, doi:10.1016/S0168-9002(99)00498-2, arXiv:hep-ex/9902006.
- [71] A. L. Read, “Presentation of search results: the  $CL_s$  technique”, *J. Phys. G* **28** (2002) 2693, doi:10.1088/0954-3899/28/10/313.
- [72] G. Cowan, K. Cranmer, E. Gross, and O. Vitells, “Asymptotic formulae for likelihood-based tests of new physics”, *Eur. Phys. J. C* **71** (2011) 1554, doi:10.1140/epjc/s10052-011-1554-0, arXiv:1007.1727. [Erratum: doi:10.1140/epjc/s10052-013-2501-z].
- [73] O. J. P. Eboli, M. C. Gonzalez-Garcia, and J. K. Mizukoshi, “ $pp \rightarrow jje^\pm\mu^\pm\nu\nu$  and  $jje^\pm\mu^\mp\nu\nu$  at  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha(em)^6)$  and  $\mathcal{O}(\alpha(em)^4\alpha(s)^2)$  for the study of the quartic electroweak gauge boson vertex at CERN LHC”, *Phys. Rev. D* **74** (2006) 073005, doi:10.1103/PhysRevD.74.073005, arXiv:hep-ph/0606118.
- [74] M. Schönherr, “Next-to-leading order electroweak corrections to off-shell WWW production at the LHC”, *JHEP* **07** (2018) 076, doi:10.1007/JHEP07(2018)076, arXiv:1806.00307.

- [75] ATLAS Collaboration, “Observation of a new particle in the search for the standard model Higgs boson with the ATLAS detector at the LHC”, *Phys. Lett. B* **716** (2012) 1, doi:10.1016/j.physletb.2012.08.020, arXiv:1207.7214.
- [76] CMS Collaboration, “Observation of a new boson at a mass of 125 GeV with the CMS experiment at the LHC”, *Phys. Lett. B* **716** (2012) 30, doi:10.1016/j.physletb.2012.08.021, arXiv:1207.7235.
- [77] CMS Collaboration, “Observation of a new boson with mass near 125 GeV in pp collisions at  $\sqrt{s} = 7$  and 8 TeV”, *JHEP* **06** (2013) 081, doi:10.1007/JHEP06(2013)081, arXiv:1303.4571.
- [78] D. Azevedo et al., “Models with extended Higgs sectors at future  $e^+e^-$  colliders”, *Phys. Rev. D* **99** (2019) 055013, doi:10.1103/PhysRevD.99.055013, arXiv:1808.00755.
- [79] G. C. Branco et al., “Theory and phenomenology of two-Higgs-doublet models”, *Phys. Rept.* **516** (2012) 1, doi:10.1016/j.physrep.2012.02.002, arXiv:1106.0034.
- [80] J. Preskill, M. B. Wise, and F. Wilczek, “Cosmology of the invisible axion”, *Phys. Lett. B* **120** (1983) 127, doi:10.1016/0370-2693(83)90637-8.
- [81] L. F. Abbott and P. Sikivie, “A cosmological bound on the invisible axion”, *Phys. Lett. B* **120** (1983) 133, doi:10.1016/0370-2693(83)90638-X.
- [82] M. Dine and W. Fischler, “The not so harmless axion”, *Phys. Lett. B* **120** (1983) 137, doi:10.1016/0370-2693(83)90639-1.
- [83] A. Hook and G. Marques-Tavares, “Relaxation from particle production”, *JHEP* **12** (2016) 101, doi:10.1007/JHEP12(2016)101, arXiv:1607.01786.





## A The CMS Collaboration

### Yerevan Physics Institute, Yerevan, Armenia

A.M. Sirunyan<sup>†</sup>, A. Tumasyan

### Institut für Hochenergiephysik, Wien, Austria

W. Adam, F. Ambrogio, T. Bergauer, J. Brandstetter, M. Dragicevic, J. Er, A. Escalante Del Valle, M. Flechl, R. Frühwirth<sup>1</sup>, M. Jeitler<sup>1</sup>, N. Krammer, I. Krtschmer, D. Liko, T. Madlener, I. Mikulec, N. Rad, J. Schieck<sup>1</sup>, R. Schfbeck, M. Spanring, D. Spitzbart, W. Waltenberger, C.-E. Wulz<sup>1</sup>, M. Zarucki

### Institute for Nuclear Problems, Minsk, Belarus

V. Drugakov, V. Mossolov, J. Suarez Gonzalez

### Universiteit Antwerpen, Antwerpen, Belgium

M.R. Darwish, E.A. De Wolf, D. Di Croce, X. Janssen, J. Lauwers, A. Lelek, M. Pieters, H. Rejeb Sfar, H. Van Haevermaet, P. Van Mechelen, S. Van Putte, N. Van Remortel

### Vrije Universiteit Brussel, Brussel, Belgium

F. Blekman, E.S. Bols, S.S. Chhibra, J. D'Hondt, J. De Clercq, D. Lontkovskyi, S. Lowette, I. Marchesini, S. Moortgat, L. Moreels, Q. Python, K. Skovpen, S. Tavernier, W. Van Doninck, P. Van Mulders, I. Van Parijs

### Université Libre de Bruxelles, Bruxelles, Belgium

D. Beghin, B. Bilin, H. Brun, B. Clerbaux, G. De Lentdecker, H. Delannoy, B. Dorney, L. Favart, A. Grebenyuk, A.K. Kalsi, J. Luetic, A. Popov, N. Postiau, E. Starling, L. Thomas, C. Vander Velde, P. Vanlaer, D. Vannerom, Q. Wang

### Ghent University, Ghent, Belgium

T. Cornelis, D. Dobur, I. Khvastunov<sup>2</sup>, C. Roskas, D. Trocino, M. Tytgat, W. Verbeke, B. Vermassen, M. Vit, N. Zaganidis

### Université Catholique de Louvain, Louvain-la-Neuve, Belgium

O. Bondu, G. Bruno, C. Caputo, P. David, C. Delaere, M. Delcourt, A. Giammanco, V. Lemaitre, A. Magitteri, J. Prisciandaro, A. Saggio, M. Vidal Marono, P. Vischia, J. Zobec

### Centro Brasileiro de Pesquisas Físicas, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

F.L. Alves, G.A. Alves, G. Correia Silva, C. Hensel, A. Moraes, P. Rebello Teles

### Universidade do Estado do Rio de Janeiro, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

E. Belchior Batista Das Chagas, W. Carvalho, J. Chinellato<sup>3</sup>, E. Coelho, E.M. Da Costa, G.G. Da Silveira<sup>4</sup>, D. De Jesus Damiao, C. De Oliveira Martins, S. Fonseca De Souza, L.M. Huertas Guativa, H. Malbouisson, J. Martins<sup>5</sup>, D. Matos Figueiredo, M. Medina Jaime<sup>6</sup>, M. Melo De Almeida, C. Mora Herrera, L. Mundim, H. Nogima, W.L. Prado Da Silva, L.J. Sanchez Rosas, A. Santoro, A. Sznajder, M. Thiel, E.J. Tonelli Manganote<sup>3</sup>, F. Torres Da Silva De Araujo, A. Vilela Pereira

### Universidade Estadual Paulista <sup>a</sup>, Universidade Federal do ABC <sup>b</sup>, So Paulo, Brazil

S. Ahuja<sup>a</sup>, C.A. Bernardes<sup>a</sup>, L. Calligaris<sup>a</sup>, T.R. Fernandez Perez Tomei<sup>a</sup>, E.M. Gregores<sup>b</sup>, D.S. Lemos, P.G. Mercadante<sup>b</sup>, S.F. Novaes<sup>a</sup>, SandraS. Padula<sup>a</sup>

### Institute for Nuclear Research and Nuclear Energy, Bulgarian Academy of Sciences, Sofia, Bulgaria

A. Aleksandrov, G. Antchev, R. Hadjiiska, P. Iaydjiev, A. Marinov, M. Misheva, M. Rodozov, M. Shopova, G. Sultanov

**University of Sofia, Sofia, Bulgaria**

M. Bonchev, A. Dimitrov, T. Ivanov, L. Litov, B. Pavlov, P. Petkov

**Beihang University, Beijing, China**

W. Fang<sup>7</sup>, X. Gao<sup>7</sup>, L. Yuan

**Institute of High Energy Physics, Beijing, China**

M. Ahmad, G.M. Chen, H.S. Chen, M. Chen, C.H. Jiang, D. Leggat, H. Liao, Z. Liu, S.M. Shaheen<sup>8</sup>, A. Spiezia, J. Tao, E. Yazgan, H. Zhang, S. Zhang<sup>8</sup>, J. Zhao

**State Key Laboratory of Nuclear Physics and Technology, Peking University, Beijing, China**

A. Agapitos, Y. Ban, G. Chen, A. Levin, J. Li, L. Li, Q. Li, Y. Mao, S.J. Qian, D. Wang

**Tsinghua University, Beijing, China**

Z. Hu, Y. Wang

**Universidad de Los Andes, Bogota, Colombia**

C. Avila, A. Cabrera, L.F. Chaparro Sierra, C. Florez, C.F. Gonzalez Hernandez, M.A. Segura Delgado

**Universidad de Antioquia, Medellin, Colombia**

J. Mejia Guisao, J.D. Ruiz Alvarez, C.A. Salazar Gonzalez, N. Vanegas Arbelaez

**University of Split, Faculty of Electrical Engineering, Mechanical Engineering and Naval Architecture, Split, Croatia**

D. Giljanović, N. Godinovic, D. Lelas, I. Puljak, T. Sculac

**University of Split, Faculty of Science, Split, Croatia**

Z. Antunovic, M. Kovac

**Institute Rudjer Boskovic, Zagreb, Croatia**

V. Brigljevic, S. Ceci, D. Ferencek, K. Kadija, B. Mesic, M. Roguljic, A. Starodumov<sup>9</sup>, T. Susa

**University of Cyprus, Nicosia, Cyprus**

M.W. Ather, A. Attikis, E. Erodotou, A. Ioannou, M. Kolosova, S. Konstantinou, G. Mavromanolakis, J. Mousa, C. Nicolaou, F. Ptochos, P.A. Razis, H. Rykaczewski, D. Tsiakkouri

**Charles University, Prague, Czech Republic**

M. Finger<sup>10</sup>, M. Finger Jr.<sup>10</sup>, A. Kveton, J. Tomsa

**Escuela Politecnica Nacional, Quito, Ecuador**

E. Ayala

**Universidad San Francisco de Quito, Quito, Ecuador**

E. Carrera Jarrin

**Academy of Scientific Research and Technology of the Arab Republic of Egypt, Egyptian Network of High Energy Physics, Cairo, Egypt**

Y. Assran<sup>11,12</sup>, S. Elgammal<sup>12</sup>

**National Institute of Chemical Physics and Biophysics, Tallinn, Estonia**

S. Bhowmik, A. Carvalho Antunes De Oliveira, R.K. Dewanjee, K. Ehataht, M. Kadastik, M. Raidal, C. Veelken

**Department of Physics, University of Helsinki, Helsinki, Finland**

P. Eerola, L. Forthomme, H. Kirschenmann, K. Osterberg, M. Voutilainen

**Helsinki Institute of Physics, Helsinki, Finland**

F. Garcia, J. Havukainen, J.K. Heikkil, T. Jrvinen, V. Karimki, R. Kinnunen, T. Lampn, K. Lassila-Perini, S. Laurila, S. Lehti, T. Lindn, P. Luukka, T. Menp, H. Siikonen, E. Tuominen, J. Tuominiemi

**Lappeenranta University of Technology, Lappeenranta, Finland**

T. Tuuva

**IRFU, CEA, Universit Paris-Saclay, Gif-sur-Yvette, France**

M. Besancon, F. Couderc, M. Dejardin, D. Denegri, B. Fabbro, J.L. Faure, F. Ferri, S. Ganjour, A. Givernaud, P. Gras, G. Hamel de Monchenault, P. Jarry, C. Leloup, E. Locci, J. Malcles, J. Rander, A. Rosowsky, M.. Sahin, A. Savoy-Navarro<sup>13</sup>, M. Titov

**Laboratoire Leprince-Ringuet, Ecole polytechnique, CNRS/IN2P3, Universit Paris-Saclay, Palaiseau, France**

C. Amendola, F. Beaudette, P. Busson, C. Charlot, B. Diab, G. Falmagne, R. Granier de Cas-sagnac, I. Kucher, A. Lobanov, C. Martin Perez, M. Nguyen, C. Ochando, P. Paganini, J. Rembser, R. Salerno, J.B. Sauvan, Y. Sirois, A. Zabi, A. Zghiche

**Universit de Strasbourg, CNRS, IPHC UMR 7178, Strasbourg, France**

J.-L. Agram<sup>14</sup>, J. Andrea, D. Bloch, G. Bourgatte, J.-M. Brom, E.C. Chabert, C. Collard, E. Conte<sup>14</sup>, J.-C. Fontaine<sup>14</sup>, D. Gel, U. Goerlach, M. Jansov, A.-C. Le Bihan, N. Tonon, P. Van Hove

**Centre de Calcul de l'Institut National de Physique Nucleaire et de Physique des Particules, CNRS/IN2P3, Villeurbanne, France**

S. Gadrat

**Universit de Lyon, Universit Claude Bernard Lyon 1, CNRS-IN2P3, Institut de Physique Nuclaire de Lyon, Villeurbanne, France**

S. Beauceron, C. Bernet, G. Boudoul, C. Camen, N. Chanon, R. Chierici, D. Contardo, P. Depasse, H. El Mamouni, J. Fay, S. Gascon, M. Gouzevitch, B. Ille, Sa. Jain, F. Lagarde, I.B. Laktineh, H. Lattaud, M. Lethuillier, L. Mirabito, S. Perries, V. Sordini, G. Touquet, M. Vander Donckt, S. Viret

**Georgian Technical University, Tbilisi, Georgia**

A. Khvedelidze<sup>10</sup>

**Tbilisi State University, Tbilisi, Georgia**

Z. Tsamalaidze<sup>10</sup>

**RWTH Aachen University, I. Physikalisches Institut, Aachen, Germany**

C. Autermann, L. Feld, M.K. Kiesel, K. Klein, M. Lipinski, D. Meuser, A. Pauls, M. Preuten, M.P. Rauch, C. Schomakers, J. Schulz, M. Teroerde, B. Wittmer

**RWTH Aachen University, III. Physikalisches Institut A, Aachen, Germany**

A. Albert, M. Erdmann, S. Erdweg, T. Esch, B. Fischer, R. Fischer, S. Ghosh, T. Hebbeker, K. Hoepfner, H. Keller, L. Mastrolorenzo, M. Merschmeyer, A. Meyer, P. Millet, G. Mocellin, S. Mondal, S. Mukherjee, D. Noll, A. Novak, T. Pook, A. Pozdnyakov, T. Quast, M. Radziej, Y. Rath, H. Reithler, M. Rieger, J. Roemer, A. Schmidt, S.C. Schuler, A. Sharma, S. Ther, S. Wiedenbeck

**RWTH Aachen University, III. Physikalisches Institut B, Aachen, Germany**

G. Flgge, W. Haj Ahmad<sup>15</sup>, O. Hlushchenko, T. Kress, T. Mller, A. Nehr Korn, A. Nowack, C. Pistone, O. Pooth, D. Roy, H. Sert, A. Stahl<sup>16</sup>

**Deutsches Elektronen-Synchrotron, Hamburg, Germany**

M. Aldaya Martin, P. Asmuss, I. Babounikau, H. Bakhshiansohi, K. Beernaert, O. Behnke, U. Behrens, A. Bermdez Martnez, D. Bertsche, A.A. Bin Anuar, K. Borrás<sup>17</sup>, V. Botta, A. Campbell, A. Cardini, P. Connor, S. Consuegra Rodriguez, C. Contreras-Campana, V. Danilov, A. De Wit, M.M. Defranchis, C. Diez Pardos, D. Domnguez Damiani, G. Eckerlin, D. Eckstein, T. Eichhorn, A. Elwood, E. Eren, E. Gallo<sup>18</sup>, A. Geiser, J.M. Grados Luyando, A. Grohsjean, M. Guthoff, M. Haranko, A. Harb, A. Jafari, N.Z. Jomhari, H. Jung, A. Kasem<sup>17</sup>, M. Kasemann, H. Kaveh, J. Keaveney, C. Kleinwort, J. Knolle, D. Krcker, W. Lange, T. Lenz, J. Leonard, J. Lidrych, K. Lipka, W. Lohmann<sup>19</sup>, R. Mankel, I.-A. Melzer-Pellmann, A.B. Meyer, M. Meyer, M. Missiroli, G. Mittag, J. Mnich, A. Mussgiller, V. Myronenko, D. Prez Adn, S.K. Pflitsch, D. Pitzl, A. Raspereza, A. Saibel, M. Savitskyi, V. Scheurer, P. Schtze, C. Schwanenberger, R. Shevchenko, A. Singh, H. Tholen, O. Turkot, A. Vagnerini, M. Van De Klundert, G.P. Van Onsem, R. Walsh, Y. Wen, K. Wichmann, C. Wissing, O. Zenaiev, R. Zlebcik

**University of Hamburg, Hamburg, Germany**

R. Aggleton, S. Bein, L. Benato, A. Benecke, V. Blobel, T. Dreyer, A. Ebrahimi, A. Frhlich, C. Garbers, E. Garutti, D. Gonzalez, P. Gunnellini, J. Haller, A. Hinzmann, A. Karavdina, G. Kasieczka, R. Klanner, R. Kogler, N. Kovalchuk, S. Kurz, V. Kutzner, J. Lange, T. Lange, A. Malara, D. Marconi, J. Multhaupt, M. Niedziela, C.E.N. Niemeyer, D. Nowatschin, A. Perieanu, A. Reimers, O. Rieger, C. Scharf, P. Schleper, S. Schumann, J. Schwandt, J. Sonneveld, H. Stadie, G. Steinbrck, F.M. Stober, M. Stver, B. Vormwald, I. Zoi

**Karlsruher Institut fuer Technologie, Karlsruhe, Germany**

M. Akbiyik, C. Barth, M. Baselga, S. Baur, T. Berger, E. Butz, R. Caspart, T. Chwalek, W. De Boer, A. Dierlamm, K. El Morabit, N. Faltermann, M. Giffels, P. Goldenzweig, A. Gottmann, M.A. Harrendorf, F. Hartmann<sup>16</sup>, U. Husemann, S. Kudella, S. Mitra, M.U. Mozer, Th. Mller, M. Musich, A. Nrnberg, G. Quast, K. Rabbertz, M. Schrder, I. Shvetsov, H.J. Simonis, R. Ulrich, M. Weber, C. Whrmann, R. Wolf

**Institute of Nuclear and Particle Physics (INPP), NCSR Demokritos, Aghia Paraskevi, Greece**

G. Anagnostou, P. Asenov, G. Daskalakis, T. Geralis, A. Kyriakis, D. Loukas, G. Paspalaki

**National and Kapodistrian University of Athens, Athens, Greece**

M. Diamantopoulou, G. Karathanasis, P. Kontaxakis, A. Panagiotou, I. Papavergou, N. Saoulidou, A. Stakia, K. Theofilatos, K. Vellidis

**National Technical University of Athens, Athens, Greece**

G. Bakas, K. Kousouris, I. Papakrivopoulos, G. Tsipolitis

**University of Ionnina, Ionnina, Greece**

I. Evangelou, C. Foudas, P. Giannelis, P. Katsoulis, P. Kokkas, S. Mallios, K. Manitaras, N. Manthos, I. Papadopoulos, J. Strogas, F.A. Triantis, D. Tsitsonis

**MTA-ELTE Lendlet CMS Particle and Nuclear Physics Group, Etsv Lornd University, Budapest, Hungary**

M. Bartk<sup>20</sup>, M. Csanad, P. Major, K. Mandal, A. Mehta, M.I. Nagy, G. Pasztor, O. Surnyi, G.I. Veres

**Wigner Research Centre for Physics, Budapest, Hungary**

G. Bencze, C. Hajdu, D. Horvath<sup>21</sup>, F. Sikler, T. Vmi, V. Veszpremi, G. Vesztergombi<sup>†</sup>

**Institute of Nuclear Research ATOMKI, Debrecen, Hungary**

N. Beni, S. Czellar, J. Karancsi<sup>20</sup>, A. Makovec, J. Molnar, Z. Szillasi

**Institute of Physics, University of Debrecen, Debrecen, Hungary**

P. Raics, D. Teyssier, Z.L. Trocsanyi, B. Ujvari

**Eszterhazy Karoly University, Karoly Robert Campus, Gyongyos, Hungary**

T. Csorgo, W.J. Metzger, F. Nemes, T. Novak

**Indian Institute of Science (IISc), Bangalore, India**

S. Choudhury, J.R. Komaragiri, P.C. Tiwari

**National Institute of Science Education and Research, HBNI, Bhubaneswar, India**

S. Bahinipati<sup>23</sup>, C. Kar, P. Mal, V.K. Muraleedharan Nair Bindhu, A. Nayak<sup>24</sup>, D.K. Sahoo<sup>23</sup>, S.K. Swain

**Panjab University, Chandigarh, India**

S. Bansal, S.B. Beri, V. Bhatnagar, S. Chauhan, R. Chawla, N. Dhingra, R. Gupta, A. Kaur, M. Kaur, S. Kaur, P. Kumari, M. Lohan, M. Meena, K. Sandeep, S. Sharma, J.B. Singh, A.K. Viridi, G. Walia

**University of Delhi, Delhi, India**

A. Bhardwaj, B.C. Choudhary, R.B. Garg, M. Gola, S. Keshri, Ashok Kumar, S. Malhotra, M. Naimuddin, P. Priyanka, K. Ranjan, Aashaq Shah, R. Sharma

**Saha Institute of Nuclear Physics, HBNI, Kolkata, India**

R. Bhardwaj<sup>25</sup>, M. Bharti<sup>25</sup>, R. Bhattacharya, S. Bhattacharya, U. Bhawandeep<sup>25</sup>, D. Bhowmik, S. Dey, S. Dutta, S. Ghosh, M. Maity<sup>26</sup>, K. Mondal, S. Nandan, A. Purohit, P.K. Rout, A. Roy, G. Saha, S. Sarkar, T. Sarkar<sup>26</sup>, M. Sharan, B. Singh<sup>25</sup>, S. Thakur<sup>25</sup>

**Indian Institute of Technology Madras, Madras, India**

P.K. Behera, P. Kalbhor, A. Muhammad, P.R. Pujahari, A. Sharma, A.K. Sikdar

**Bhabha Atomic Research Centre, Mumbai, India**

R. Chudasama, D. Dutta, V. Jha, V. Kumar, D.K. Mishra, P.K. Netrakanti, L.M. Pant, P. Shukla

**Tata Institute of Fundamental Research-A, Mumbai, India**

T. Aziz, M.A. Bhat, S. Dugad, G.B. Mohanty, N. Sur, RavindraKumar Verma

**Tata Institute of Fundamental Research-B, Mumbai, India**

S. Banerjee, S. Bhattacharya, S. Chatterjee, P. Das, M. Guchait, S. Karmakar, S. Kumar, G. Majumder, K. Mazumdar, N. Sahoo, S. Sawant

**Indian Institute of Science Education and Research (IISER), Pune, India**

S. Chauhan, S. Dube, V. Hegde, A. Kapoor, K. Kothekar, S. Pandey, A. Rane, A. Rastogi, S. Sharma

**Institute for Research in Fundamental Sciences (IPM), Tehran, Iran**

S. Chenarani<sup>27</sup>, E. Eskandari Tadavani, S.M. Etesami<sup>27</sup>, M. Khakzad, M. Mohammadi Najafabadi, M. Naseri, F. Rezaei Hosseinabadi

**University College Dublin, Dublin, Ireland**

M. Felcini, M. Grunewald

**INFN Sezione di Bari <sup>a</sup>, Universit di Bari <sup>b</sup>, Politecnico di Bari <sup>c</sup>, Bari, Italy**

M. Abbrescia<sup>a,b</sup>, C. Calabria<sup>a,b</sup>, A. Colaleo<sup>a</sup>, D. Creanza<sup>a,c</sup>, L. Cristella<sup>a,b</sup>, N. De Filippis<sup>a,c</sup>, M. De Palma<sup>a,b</sup>, A. Di Florio<sup>a,b</sup>, L. Fiore<sup>a</sup>, A. Gelmi<sup>a,b</sup>, G. Iaselli<sup>a,c</sup>, M. Ince<sup>a,b</sup>, S. Lezki<sup>a,b</sup>,

G. Maggi<sup>a,c</sup>, M. Maggi<sup>a</sup>, G. Miniello<sup>a,b</sup>, S. My<sup>a,b</sup>, S. Nuzzo<sup>a,b</sup>, A. Pompili<sup>a,b</sup>, G. Pugliese<sup>a,c</sup>, R. Radogna<sup>a</sup>, A. Ranieri<sup>a</sup>, G. Selvaggi<sup>a,b</sup>, L. Silvestris<sup>a</sup>, R. Venditti<sup>a</sup>, P. Verwilligen<sup>a</sup>

**INFN Sezione di Bologna <sup>a</sup>, Universit di Bologna <sup>b</sup>, Bologna, Italy**

G. Abbiendi<sup>a</sup>, C. Battilana<sup>a,b</sup>, D. Bonacorsi<sup>a,b</sup>, L. Borgonovi<sup>a,b</sup>, S. Braibant-Giacomelli<sup>a,b</sup>, R. Campanini<sup>a,b</sup>, P. Capiluppi<sup>a,b</sup>, A. Castro<sup>a,b</sup>, F.R. Cavallo<sup>a</sup>, C. Ciocca<sup>a</sup>, G. Codispoti<sup>a,b</sup>, M. Cuffiani<sup>a,b</sup>, G.M. Dallavalle<sup>a</sup>, F. Fabbri<sup>a</sup>, A. Fanfani<sup>a,b</sup>, E. Fontanesi, P. Giacomelli<sup>a</sup>, C. Grandi<sup>a</sup>, L. Guiducci<sup>a,b</sup>, F. Iemmi<sup>a,b</sup>, S. Lo Meo<sup>a,28</sup>, S. Marcellini<sup>a</sup>, G. Masetti<sup>a</sup>, F.L. Navarria<sup>a,b</sup>, A. Perrotta<sup>a</sup>, F. Primavera<sup>a,b</sup>, A.M. Rossi<sup>a,b</sup>, T. Rovelli<sup>a,b</sup>, G.P. Siroli<sup>a,b</sup>, N. Tosi<sup>a</sup>

**INFN Sezione di Catania <sup>a</sup>, Universit di Catania <sup>b</sup>, Catania, Italy**

S. Albergo<sup>a,b,29</sup>, S. Costa<sup>a,b</sup>, A. Di Mattia<sup>a</sup>, R. Potenza<sup>a,b</sup>, A. Tricomi<sup>a,b,29</sup>, C. Tuve<sup>a,b</sup>

**INFN Sezione di Firenze <sup>a</sup>, Universit di Firenze <sup>b</sup>, Firenze, Italy**

G. Barbagli<sup>a</sup>, R. Ceccarelli, K. Chatterjee<sup>a,b</sup>, V. Ciulli<sup>a,b</sup>, C. Civinini<sup>a</sup>, R. D'Alessandro<sup>a,b</sup>, E. Focardi<sup>a,b</sup>, G. Latino, P. Lenzi<sup>a,b</sup>, M. Meschini<sup>a</sup>, S. Paoletti<sup>a</sup>, G. Sguazzoni<sup>a</sup>, D. Strom<sup>a</sup>, L. Viliani<sup>a</sup>

**INFN Laboratori Nazionali di Frascati, Frascati, Italy**

L. Benussi, S. Bianco, D. Piccolo

**INFN Sezione di Genova <sup>a</sup>, Universit di Genova <sup>b</sup>, Genova, Italy**

M. Bozzo<sup>a,b</sup>, F. Ferro<sup>a</sup>, R. Mulargia<sup>a,b</sup>, E. Robutti<sup>a</sup>, S. Tosi<sup>a,b</sup>

**INFN Sezione di Milano-Bicocca <sup>a</sup>, Universit di Milano-Bicocca <sup>b</sup>, Milano, Italy**

A. Benaglia<sup>a</sup>, A. Beschi<sup>a,b</sup>, F. Brivio<sup>a,b</sup>, V. Ciriolo<sup>a,b,16</sup>, S. Di Guida<sup>a,b,16</sup>, M.E. Dinardo<sup>a,b</sup>, P. Dini<sup>a</sup>, S. Fiorendi<sup>a,b</sup>, S. Gennai<sup>a</sup>, A. Ghezzi<sup>a,b</sup>, P. Govoni<sup>a,b</sup>, L. Guzzi<sup>a,b</sup>, M. Malberti<sup>a</sup>, S. Malvezzi<sup>a</sup>, D. Menasce<sup>a</sup>, F. Monti<sup>a,b</sup>, L. Moroni<sup>a</sup>, G. Ortona<sup>a,b</sup>, M. Paganoni<sup>a,b</sup>, D. Pedrini<sup>a</sup>, S. Ragazzi<sup>a,b</sup>, T. Tabarelli de Fatis<sup>a,b</sup>, D. Zuolo<sup>a,b</sup>

**INFN Sezione di Napoli <sup>a</sup>, Universit di Napoli 'Federico II' <sup>b</sup>, Napoli, Italy, Universit della Basilicata <sup>c</sup>, Potenza, Italy, Universit G. Marconi <sup>d</sup>, Roma, Italy**

S. Buontempo<sup>a</sup>, N. Cavallo<sup>a,c</sup>, A. De Iorio<sup>a,b</sup>, A. Di Crescenzo<sup>a,b</sup>, F. Fabozzi<sup>a,c</sup>, F. Fienga<sup>a</sup>, G. Galati<sup>a</sup>, A.O.M. Iorio<sup>a,b</sup>, L. Lista<sup>a,b</sup>, S. Meola<sup>a,d,16</sup>, P. Paolucci<sup>a,16</sup>, B. Rossi<sup>a</sup>, C. Sciacca<sup>a,b</sup>, E. Voevodina<sup>a,b</sup>

**INFN Sezione di Padova <sup>a</sup>, Universit di Padova <sup>b</sup>, Padova, Italy, Universit di Trento <sup>c</sup>, Trento, Italy**

P. Azzi<sup>a</sup>, N. Bacchetta<sup>a</sup>, A. Boletti<sup>a,b</sup>, A. Bragagnolo, R. Carlin<sup>a,b</sup>, P. Checchia<sup>a</sup>, P. De Castro Manzano<sup>a</sup>, T. Dorigo<sup>a</sup>, U. Dosselli<sup>a</sup>, F. Gasparini<sup>a,b</sup>, U. Gasparini<sup>a,b</sup>, A. Gozzelino<sup>a</sup>, S.Y. Hoh, P. Lujan, M. Margoni<sup>a,b</sup>, A.T. Meneguzzo<sup>a,b</sup>, J. Pazzini<sup>a,b</sup>, N. Pozzobon<sup>a,b</sup>, M. Presilla<sup>b</sup>, P. Ronchese<sup>a,b</sup>, R. Rossin<sup>a,b</sup>, F. Simonetto<sup>a,b</sup>, A. Tiko, M. Tosi<sup>a,b</sup>, M. Zanetti<sup>a,b</sup>, P. Zotto<sup>a,b</sup>, G. Zumerle<sup>a,b</sup>

**INFN Sezione di Pavia <sup>a</sup>, Universit di Pavia <sup>b</sup>, Pavia, Italy**

A. Braghieri<sup>a</sup>, P. Montagna<sup>a,b</sup>, S.P. Ratti<sup>a,b</sup>, V. Re<sup>a</sup>, M. Ressegotti<sup>a,b</sup>, C. Riccardi<sup>a,b</sup>, P. Salvini<sup>a</sup>, I. Vai<sup>a,b</sup>, P. Vitulo<sup>a,b</sup>

**INFN Sezione di Perugia <sup>a</sup>, Universit di Perugia <sup>b</sup>, Perugia, Italy**

M. Biasini<sup>a,b</sup>, G.M. Bilei<sup>a</sup>, C. Cecchi<sup>a,b</sup>, D. Ciangottini<sup>a,b</sup>, L. Fan<sup>a,b</sup>, P. Lariccia<sup>a,b</sup>, R. Leonardi<sup>a,b</sup>, E. Manoni<sup>a</sup>, G. Mantovani<sup>a,b</sup>, V. Mariani<sup>a,b</sup>, M. Menichelli<sup>a</sup>, A. Rossi<sup>a,b</sup>, A. Santocchia<sup>a,b</sup>, D. Spiga<sup>a</sup>

**INFN Sezione di Pisa <sup>a</sup>, Universit di Pisa <sup>b</sup>, Scuola Normale Superiore di Pisa <sup>c</sup>, Pisa, Italy**

K. Androsov<sup>a</sup>, P. Azzurri<sup>a</sup>, G. Bagliesi<sup>a</sup>, V. Bertacchi<sup>a,c</sup>, L. Bianchini<sup>a</sup>, T. Boccali<sup>a</sup>,

R. Castaldi<sup>a</sup>, M.A. Ciocci<sup>a,b</sup>, R. Dell'Orso<sup>a</sup>, G. Fedi<sup>a</sup>, L. Giannini<sup>a,c</sup>, A. Giassi<sup>a</sup>, M.T. Grippo<sup>a</sup>, F. Ligabue<sup>a,c</sup>, E. Manca<sup>a,c</sup>, G. Mandorli<sup>a,c</sup>, A. Messineo<sup>a,b</sup>, F. Palla<sup>a</sup>, A. Rizzi<sup>a,b</sup>, G. Rolandi<sup>30</sup>, S. Roy Chowdhury, A. Scribano<sup>a</sup>, P. Spagnolo<sup>a</sup>, R. Tenchini<sup>a</sup>, G. Tonelli<sup>a,b</sup>, N. Turini, A. Venturi<sup>a</sup>, P.G. Verdini<sup>a</sup>

**INFN Sezione di Roma <sup>a</sup>, Sapienza Universit di Roma <sup>b</sup>, Rome, Italy**

F. Cavallari<sup>a</sup>, M. Cipriani<sup>a,b</sup>, D. Del Re<sup>a,b</sup>, E. Di Marco<sup>a,b</sup>, M. Diemoz<sup>a</sup>, E. Longo<sup>a,b</sup>, B. Marzocchi<sup>a,b</sup>, P. Meridiani<sup>a</sup>, G. Organtini<sup>a,b</sup>, F. Pandolfi<sup>a</sup>, R. Paramatti<sup>a,b</sup>, C. Quaranta<sup>a,b</sup>, S. Rahatlou<sup>a,b</sup>, C. Rovelli<sup>a</sup>, F. Santanastasio<sup>a,b</sup>, L. Soffi<sup>a,b</sup>

**INFN Sezione di Torino <sup>a</sup>, Universit di Torino <sup>b</sup>, Torino, Italy, Universit del Piemonte Orientale <sup>c</sup>, Novara, Italy**

N. Amapane<sup>a,b</sup>, R. Arcidiacono<sup>a,c</sup>, S. Argiro<sup>a,b</sup>, M. Arneodo<sup>a,c</sup>, N. Bartosik<sup>a</sup>, R. Bellan<sup>a,b</sup>, C. Biino<sup>a</sup>, A. Cappati<sup>a,b</sup>, N. Cartiglia<sup>a</sup>, S. Cometti<sup>a</sup>, M. Costa<sup>a,b</sup>, R. Covarelli<sup>a,b</sup>, N. Demaria<sup>a</sup>, B. Kiani<sup>a,b</sup>, C. Mariotti<sup>a</sup>, S. Maselli<sup>a</sup>, E. Migliore<sup>a,b</sup>, V. Monaco<sup>a,b</sup>, E. Monteil<sup>a,b</sup>, M. Monteno<sup>a</sup>, M.M. Obertino<sup>a,b</sup>, L. Pacher<sup>a,b</sup>, N. Pastrone<sup>a</sup>, M. Pelliccioni<sup>a</sup>, G.L. Pinna Angioni<sup>a,b</sup>, A. Romero<sup>a,b</sup>, M. Ruspai<sup>a,c</sup>, R. Sacchi<sup>a,b</sup>, R. Salvatico<sup>a,b</sup>, V. Sola<sup>a</sup>, A. Solano<sup>a,b</sup>, D. Soldi<sup>a,b</sup>, A. Staiano<sup>a</sup>

**INFN Sezione di Trieste <sup>a</sup>, Universit di Trieste <sup>b</sup>, Trieste, Italy**

S. Belforte<sup>a</sup>, V. Candelise<sup>a,b</sup>, M. Casarsa<sup>a</sup>, F. Cossutti<sup>a</sup>, A. Da Rold<sup>a,b</sup>, G. Della Ricca<sup>a,b</sup>, F. Vazzoler<sup>a,b</sup>, A. Zanetti<sup>a</sup>

**Kyungpook National University, Daegu, Korea**

B. Kim, D.H. Kim, G.N. Kim, M.S. Kim, J. Lee, S.W. Lee, C.S. Moon, Y.D. Oh, S.I. Pak, S. Sekmen, D.C. Son, Y.C. Yang

**Chonnam National University, Institute for Universe and Elementary Particles, Kwangju, Korea**

H. Kim, D.H. Moon, G. Oh

**Hanyang University, Seoul, Korea**

B. Francois, T.J. Kim, J. Park

**Korea University, Seoul, Korea**

S. Cho, S. Choi, Y. Go, D. Gyun, S. Ha, B. Hong, K. Lee, K.S. Lee, J. Lim, J. Park, S.K. Park, Y. Roh

**Kyung Hee University, Department of Physics**

J. Goh

**Sejong University, Seoul, Korea**

H.S. Kim

**Seoul National University, Seoul, Korea**

J. Almond, J.H. Bhyun, J. Choi, S. Jeon, J. Kim, J.S. Kim, H. Lee, K. Lee, S. Lee, K. Nam, M. Oh, S.B. Oh, B.C. Radburn-Smith, U.K. Yang, H.D. Yoo, I. Yoon, G.B. Yu

**University of Seoul, Seoul, Korea**

D. Jeon, H. Kim, J.H. Kim, J.S.H. Lee, I.C. Park, I. Watson

**Sungkyunkwan University, Suwon, Korea**

Y. Choi, C. Hwang, Y. Jeong, J. Lee, Y. Lee, I. Yu

**Riga Technical University, Riga, Latvia**

V. Veckalns<sup>31</sup>

**Vilnius University, Vilnius, Lithuania**

V. Dudenas, A. Juodagalvis, J. Vaitkus

**National Centre for Particle Physics, Universiti Malaya, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia**

Z.A. Ibrahim, F. Mohamad Idris<sup>32</sup>, W.A.T. Wan Abdullah, M.N. Yusli, Z. Zolkapli

**Universidad de Sonora (UNISON), Hermosillo, Mexico**

J.F. Benitez, A. Castaneda Hernandez, J.A. Murillo Quijada, L. Valencia Palomo

**Centro de Investigacion y de Estudios Avanzados del IPN, Mexico City, Mexico**

H. Castilla-Valdez, E. De La Cruz-Burelo, I. Heredia-De La Cruz<sup>33</sup>, R. Lopez-Fernandez, A. Sanchez-Hernandez

**Universidad Iberoamericana, Mexico City, Mexico**

S. Carrillo Moreno, C. Oropeza Barrera, M. Ramirez-Garcia, F. Vazquez Valencia

**Benemerita Universidad Autonoma de Puebla, Puebla, Mexico**

J. Eysermans, I. Pedraza, H.A. Salazar Ibarquen, C. Uribe Estrada

**Universidad Autnoma de San Luis Potos, San Luis Potos, Mexico**

A. Morelos Pineda

**University of Montenegro, Podgorica, Montenegro**

N. Raicevic

**University of Auckland, Auckland, New Zealand**

D. Krofcheck

**University of Canterbury, Christchurch, New Zealand**

S. Bheesette, P.H. Butler

**National Centre for Physics, Quaid-I-Azam University, Islamabad, Pakistan**

A. Ahmad, M. Ahmad, Q. Hassan, H.R. Hoorani, W.A. Khan, M.A. Shah, M. Shoaib, M. Waqas

**AGH University of Science and Technology Faculty of Computer Science, Electronics and Telecommunications, Krakow, Poland**

V. Avati, L. Grzanka, M. Malawski

**National Centre for Nuclear Research, Swierk, Poland**

H. Bialkowska, M. Bluj, B. Boimska, M. Grski, M. Kazana, M. Szleper, P. Zalewski

**Institute of Experimental Physics, Faculty of Physics, University of Warsaw, Warsaw, Poland**

K. Bunkowski, A. Byszuk<sup>34</sup>, K. Doroba, A. Kalinowski, M. Konecki, J. Krolikowski, M. Misiura, M. Olszewski, A. Pyskir, M. Walczak

**Laboratrio de Instrumentao e Fsica Experimental de Partculas, Lisboa, Portugal**

M. Araujo, P. Bargassa, D. Bastos, A. Di Francesco, P. Faccioli, B. Galinhas, M. Gallinaro, J. Hollar, N. Leonardo, J. Seixas, K. Shchelina, G. Strong, O. Toldaiev, J. Varela

**Joint Institute for Nuclear Research, Dubna, Russia**

S. Afanasiev, P. Bunin, M. Gavrilenko, I. Golutvin, I. Gorbunov, A. Kamenev, V. Karjavine, A. Lanev, A. Malakhov, V. Matveev<sup>35,36</sup>, P. Moisenz, V. Palichik, V. Perelygin, M. Savina, S. Shmatov, S. Shulha, N. Skatchkov, V. Smirnov, N. Voytishin, A. Zarubin

**Petersburg Nuclear Physics Institute, Gatchina (St. Petersburg), Russia**

L. Chtchipounov, V. Golovtsov, Y. Ivanov, V. Kim<sup>37</sup>, E. Kuznetsova<sup>38</sup>, P. Levchenko, V. Murzin, V. Oreshkin, I. Smirnov, D. Sosnov, V. Sulimov, L. Uvarov, A. Vorobyev



**Institute for Nuclear Research, Moscow, Russia**

Yu. Andreev, A. Dermenev, S. Gninenko, N. Golubev, A. Karneyeu, M. Kirsanov, N. Krasnikov, A. Pashenkov, D. Tlisov, A. Toropin

**Institute for Theoretical and Experimental Physics named by A.I.Alikhanov of NRC Kurchatov Institute, Moscow, Russia**

V. Epshteyn, V. Gavrilov, N. Lychkovskaya, A. Nikitenko<sup>39</sup>, V. Popov, I. Pozdnyakov, G. Safronov, A. Spiridonov, A. Stepenov, M. Toms, E. Vlasov, A. Zhokin

**Moscow Institute of Physics and Technology, Moscow, Russia**

T. Aushev

**National Research Nuclear University 'Moscow Engineering Physics Institute' (MEPhI), Moscow, Russia**

O. Bychkova, R. Chistov<sup>40</sup>, M. Danilov<sup>40</sup>, S. Polikarpov<sup>40</sup>, E. Tarkovskii

**P.N. Lebedev Physical Institute, Moscow, Russia**

V. Andreev, M. Azarkin, I. Dremin, M. Kirakosyan, A. Terkulov

**Skobeltsyn Institute of Nuclear Physics, Lomonosov Moscow State University, Moscow, Russia**

A. Belyaev, E. Boos, V. Bunichev, M. Dubinin<sup>41</sup>, L. Dudko, V. Klyukhin, O. Kodolova, I. Lokhtin, S. Obraztsov, M. Perfilov, S. Petrushanko, V. Savrin, A. Snigirev

**Novosibirsk State University (NSU), Novosibirsk, Russia**

A. Barnyakov<sup>42</sup>, V. Blinov<sup>42</sup>, T. Dimova<sup>42</sup>, L. Kardapol'tsev<sup>42</sup>, Y. Skovpen<sup>42</sup>

**Institute for High Energy Physics of National Research Centre 'Kurchatov Institute', Protvino, Russia**

I. Azhgirey, I. Bayshev, S. Bitioukov, V. Kachanov, D. Konstantinov, P. Mandrik, V. Petrov, R. Ryutin, S. Slabospitskii, A. Sobol, S. Troshin, N. Tyurin, A. Uzunian, A. Volkov

**National Research Tomsk Polytechnic University, Tomsk, Russia**

A. Babaev, A. Iuzhakov, V. Okhotnikov

**Tomsk State University, Tomsk, Russia**

V. Borchsh, V. Ivanchenko, E. Tcherniaev

**University of Belgrade: Faculty of Physics and VINCA Institute of Nuclear Sciences**

P. Adzic<sup>43</sup>, P. Cirkovic, D. Devetak, M. Dordevic, P. Milenovic, J. Milosevic, M. Stojanovic

**Centro de Investigaciones Energéticas Medioambientales y Tecnológicas (CIEMAT), Madrid, Spain**

M. Aguilar-Benitez, J. Alcaraz Maestre, A. Alvarez Fernandez, I. Bachiller, M. Barrio Luna, J.A. Brochero Cifuentes, C.A. Carrillo Montoya, M. Cepeda, M. Cerrada, N. Colino, B. De La Cruz, A. Delgado Peris, C. Fernandez Bedoya, J.P. Fernandez Ramos, J. Flix, M.C. Fouz, O. Gonzalez Lopez, S. Goy Lopez, J.M. Hernandez, M.I. Josa, D. Moran, . Navarro Tobar, A. Prez-Calero Yzquierdo, J. Puerta Pelayo, I. Redondo, L. Romero, S. Sanchez Navas, M.S. Soares, A. Triossi, C. Willmott

**Universidad Autónoma de Madrid, Madrid, Spain**

C. Albajar, J.F. de Trocniz

**Universidad de Oviedo, Oviedo, Spain**

B. Alvarez Gonzalez, J. Cuevas, C. Erice, J. Fernandez Menendez, S. Folgueras, I. Gonzalez Caballero, J.R. Gonzalez Fernandez, E. Palencia Cortezon, V. Rodriguez Bouza, S. Sanchez Cruz

**Instituto de Física de Cantabria (IFCA), CSIC-Universidad de Cantabria, Santander, Spain**

I.J. Cabrillo, A. Calderon, B. Chazin Quero, J. Duarte Campderros, M. Fernandez, P.J. Fernandez Manteca, A. Garcia Alonso, G. Gomez, C. Martinez Rivero, P. Martinez Ruiz del Arbol, F. Matorras, J. Piedra Gomez, C. Prieels, T. Rodrigo, A. Ruiz-Jimeno, L. Russo<sup>44</sup>, L. Scodellaro, N. Trevisani, I. Vila, J.M. Vizan Garcia

**University of Colombo, Colombo, Sri Lanka**

K. Malagalage

**University of Ruhuna, Department of Physics, Matara, Sri Lanka**

W.G.D. Dharmaratna, N. Wickramage

**CERN, European Organization for Nuclear Research, Geneva, Switzerland**

D. Abbaneo, B. Akgun, E. Auffray, G. Auzinger, J. Baechler, P. Baillon, A.H. Ball, D. Barney, J. Bendavid, M. Bianco, A. Bocci, E. Bossini, C. Botta, E. Brondolin, T. Camporesi, A. Caratelli, G. Cerminara, E. Chapon, G. Cucciati, D. d'Enterria, A. Dabrowski, N. Daci, V. Daponte, A. David, O. Davignon, A. De Roeck, N. Deelen, M. Deile, M. Dobson, M. Dnsner, N. Dupont, A. Elliott-Peisert, F. Fallavollita<sup>45</sup>, D. Fasanella, G. Franzoni, J. Fulcher, W. Funk, S. Giani, D. Gigi, A. Gilbert, K. Gill, F. Glege, M. Gruchala, M. Guilbaud, D. Gulhan, J. Hegeman, C. Heidegger, Y. Iiyama, V. Innocente, P. Janot, O. Karacheban<sup>19</sup>, J. Kaspar, J. Kieseler, M. Krammer<sup>1</sup>, C. Lange, P. Lecoq, C. Loureno, L. Malgeri, M. Mannelli, A. Massironi, F. Meijers, J.A. Merlin, S. Mersi, E. Meschi, F. Moortgat, M. Mulders, J. Ngadiuba, S. Nourbakhsh, S. Orfanelli, L. Orsini, F. Pantaleo<sup>16</sup>, L. Pape, E. Perez, M. Peruzzi, A. Petrilli, G. Petrucciani, A. Pfeiffer, M. Pierini, F.M. Pitters, D. Rabaday, A. Racz, M. Rovere, H. Sakulin, C. Schfer, C. Schwick, M. Selvaggi, A. Sharma, P. Silva, W. Snoeys, P. Sphicas<sup>46</sup>, J. Steggemann, V.R. Tavolaro, D. Treille, A. Tsirou, A. Vartak, M. Verzetti, W.D. Zeuner

**Paul Scherrer Institut, Villigen, Switzerland**

L. Caminada<sup>47</sup>, K. Deiters, W. Erdmann, R. Horisberger, Q. Ingram, H.C. Kaestli, D. Kotlinski, U. Langenegger, T. Rohe, S.A. Wiederkehr

**ETH Zurich - Institute for Particle Physics and Astrophysics (IPA), Zurich, Switzerland**

M. Backhaus, P. Berger, N. Chernyavskaya, G. Dissertori, M. Dittmar, M. Doneg, C. Dorfer, T.A. Gmez Espinosa, C. Grab, D. Hits, T. Klijsma, W. Lustermann, R.A. Manzoni, M. Marionneau, M.T. Meinhard, F. Micheli, P. Musella, F. Nessi-Tedaldi, F. Pauss, G. Perrin, L. Perrozzi, S. Pigazzini, M. Reichmann, C. Reissel, T. Reitenspiess, D. Ruini, D.A. Sanz Becerra, M. Schenberger, L. Shchutka, M.L. Vesterbacka Olsson, R. Wallny, D.H. Zhu

**Universitt Zrich, Zurich, Switzerland**

T.K. Aarrestad, C. AMSler<sup>48</sup>, D. Brzhechko, M.F. Canelli, A. De Cosa, R. Del Burgo, S. Donato, B. Kilminster, S. Leontsinis, V.M. Mikuni, I. Neutelings, G. Rauco, P. Robmann, D. Salerno, K. Schweiger, C. Seitz, Y. Takahashi, S. Wertz, A. Zucchetta

**National Central University, Chung-Li, Taiwan**

T.H. Doan, C.M. Kuo, W. Lin, S.S. Yu

**National Taiwan University (NTU), Taipei, Taiwan**

P. Chang, Y. Chao, K.F. Chen, P.H. Chen, W.-S. Hou, Y.y. Li, R.-S. Lu, E. Paganis, A. Psallidas, A. Steen

**Chulalongkorn University, Faculty of Science, Department of Physics, Bangkok, Thailand**

B. Asavapibhop, C. Asawatangtrakuldee, N. Srimanobhas, N. Suwonjandee

**ukurova University, Physics Department, Science and Art Faculty, Adana, Turkey**

A. Bat, F. Boran, S. Cerci<sup>49</sup>, S. Damarseckin<sup>50</sup>, Z.S. Demiroglu, F. Dolek, C. Dozen, I. Dumanoglu, G. Gokbulut, EmineGurpinar Guler<sup>51</sup>, Y. Guler, I. Hos<sup>52</sup>, C. Isik, E.E. Kangal<sup>53</sup>, O. Kara, A. Kayis Topaksu, U. Kiminsu, M. Oglakci, G. Onengut, K. Ozdemir<sup>54</sup>, S. Ozturk<sup>55</sup>, A.E. Simsek, D. Sunar Cerci<sup>49</sup>, U.G. Tok, S. Turkcapar, I.S. Zorbakir, C. Zorbilmez

**Middle East Technical University, Physics Department, Ankara, Turkey**

B. Isildak<sup>56</sup>, G. Karapinar<sup>57</sup>, M. Yalvac

**Bogazici University, Istanbul, Turkey**

I.O. Atakisi, E. Glmez, M. Kaya<sup>58</sup>, O. Kaya<sup>59</sup>, B. Kaynak, . zelik, S. Ozkorucuklu<sup>60</sup>, S. Tekten, E.A. Yetkin<sup>61</sup>

**Istanbul Technical University, Istanbul, Turkey**

A. Cakir, Y. Komurcu, S. Sen<sup>62</sup>

**Institute for Scintillation Materials of National Academy of Science of Ukraine, Kharkov, Ukraine**

B. Grynyov

**National Scientific Center, Kharkov Institute of Physics and Technology, Kharkov, Ukraine**

L. Levchuk

**University of Bristol, Bristol, United Kingdom**

F. Ball, E. Bhal, S. Bologna, J.J. Brooke, D. Burns, E. Clement, D. Cussans, H. Flacher, J. Goldstein, G.P. Heath, H.F. Heath, L. Kreczko, S. Paramesvaran, B. Penning, T. Sakuma, S. Seif El Nasr-Storey, D. Smith, V.J. Smith, J. Taylor, A. Titterton

**Rutherford Appleton Laboratory, Didcot, United Kingdom**

K.W. Bell, A. Belyaev<sup>63</sup>, C. Brew, R.M. Brown, D. Cieri, D.J.A. Cockerill, J.A. Coughlan, K. Harder, S. Harper, J. Linacre, K. Manolopoulos, D.M. Newbold, E. Olaiya, D. Petyt, T. Reis, T. Schuh, C.H. Shepherd-Themistocleous, A. Thea, I.R. Tomalin, T. Williams, W.J. Womersley

**Imperial College, London, United Kingdom**

R. Bainbridge, P. Bloch, J. Borg, S. Breeze, O. Buchmuller, A. Bundock, GurpreetSingh CHAHAL<sup>64</sup>, D. Colling, P. Dauncey, G. Davies, M. Della Negra, R. Di Maria, P. Everaerts, G. Hall, G. Iles, T. James, M. Komm, C. Laner, L. Lyons, A.-M. Magnan, S. Malik, A. Martelli, V. Milosevic, J. Nash<sup>65</sup>, V. Palladino, M. Pesaresi, D.M. Raymond, A. Richards, A. Rose, E. Scott, C. Seez, A. Shtipliyski, M. Stoye, T. Strebler, S. Summers, A. Tapper, K. Uchida, T. Virdee<sup>16</sup>, N. Wardle, D. Winterbottom, J. Wright, A.G. Zecchinelli, S.C. Zenz

**Brunel University, Uxbridge, United Kingdom**

J.E. Cole, P.R. Hobson, A. Khan, P. Kyberd, C.K. Mackay, A. Morton, I.D. Reid, L. Teodorescu, S. Zahid

**Baylor University, Waco, USA**

K. Call, J. Dittmann, K. Hatakeyama, C. Madrid, B. McMaster, N. Pastika, C. Smith

**Catholic University of America, Washington, DC, USA**

R. Bartek, A. Dominguez, R. Uniyal

**The University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, USA**

A. Buccilli, S.I. Cooper, C. Henderson, P. Rumerio, C. West

**Boston University, Boston, USA**

D. Arcaro, T. Bose, Z. Demiragli, D. Gastler, S. Girgis, D. Pinna, C. Richardson, J. Rohlf, D. Sperka, I. Suarez, L. Sulak, D. Zou

**Brown University, Providence, USA**

G. Benelli, B. Burkle, X. Coubez, D. Cutts, Y.t. Duh, M. Hadley, J. Hakala, U. Heintz, J.M. Hogan<sup>66</sup>, K.H.M. Kwok, E. Laird, G. Landsberg, J. Lee, Z. Mao, M. Narain, S. Sagir<sup>67</sup>, R. Syarif, E. Usai, D. Yu

**University of California, Davis, Davis, USA**

R. Band, C. Brainerd, R. Breedon, M. Calderon De La Barca Sanchez, M. Chertok, J. Conway, R. Conway, P.T. Cox, R. Erbacher, C. Flores, G. Funk, F. Jensen, W. Ko, O. Kukral, R. Lander, M. Mulhearn, D. Pellett, J. Pilot, M. Shi, D. Stolp, D. Taylor, K. Tos, M. Tripathi, Z. Wang, F. Zhang

**University of California, Los Angeles, USA**

M. Bachtis, C. Bravo, R. Cousins, A. Dasgupta, A. Florent, J. Hauser, M. Ignatenko, N. Mccoll, W.A. Nash, S. Regnard, D. Saltzberg, C. Schnaible, B. Stone, V. Valuev

**University of California, Riverside, Riverside, USA**

K. Burt, R. Clare, J.W. Gary, S.M.A. Ghiasi Shirazi, G. Hanson, G. Karapostoli, E. Kennedy, O.R. Long, M. Olmedo Negrete, M.I. Paneva, W. Si, L. Wang, H. Wei, S. Wimpenny, B.R. Yates, Y. Zhang

**University of California, San Diego, La Jolla, USA**

J.G. Branson, P. Chang, S. Cittolin, M. Derdzinski, R. Gerosa, D. Gilbert, B. Hashemi, D. Klein, V. Krutelyov, J. Letts, M. Masciovecchio, S. May, S. Padhi, M. Pieri, V. Sharma, M. Tadel, F. Wrthwein, A. Yagil, G. Zevi Della Porta

**University of California, Santa Barbara - Department of Physics, Santa Barbara, USA**

N. Amin, R. Bhandari, C. Campagnari, M. Citron, V. Dutta, M. Franco Sevilla, L. Gouskos, J. Incandela, B. Marsh, H. Mei, A. Ovcharova, H. Qu, J. Richman, U. Sarica, D. Stuart, S. Wang, J. Yoo

**California Institute of Technology, Pasadena, USA**

D. Anderson, A. Bornheim, O. Cerri, I. Dutta, J.M. Lawhorn, N. Lu, J. Mao, H.B. Newman, T.Q. Nguyen, J. Pata, M. Spiropulu, J.R. Vlimant, C. Wang, S. Xie, Z. Zhang, R.Y. Zhu

**Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh, USA**

M.B. Andrews, T. Ferguson, T. Mudholkar, M. Paulini, M. Sun, I. Vorobiev, M. Weinberg

**University of Colorado Boulder, Boulder, USA**

J.P. Cumalat, W.T. Ford, A. Johnson, E. MacDonald, T. Mulholland, R. Patel, A. Perloff, K. Stenson, K.A. Ulmer, S.R. Wagner

**Cornell University, Ithaca, USA**

J. Alexander, J. Chaves, Y. Cheng, J. Chu, A. Datta, A. Frankenthal, K. Mcdermott, N. Mirman, J.R. Patterson, D. Quach, A. Rinkevicius<sup>68</sup>, A. Ryd, S.M. Tan, Z. Tao, J. Thom, P. Wittich, M. Zientek

**Fermi National Accelerator Laboratory, Batavia, USA**

S. Abdullin, M. Albrow, M. Alyari, G. Apollinari, A. Apresyan, A. Apyan, S. Banerjee, L.A.T. Bauerdick, A. Beretvas, J. Berryhill, P.C. Bhat, K. Burkett, J.N. Butler, A. Canepa, G.B. Cerati, H.W.K. Cheung, F. Chlebana, M. Cremonesi, J. Duarte, V.D. Elvira, J. Freeman, Z. Gece, E. Gottschalk, L. Gray, D. Green, S. Grondahl, O. Gutsche, AllisonReinsvold Hall,

J. Hanlon, R.M. Harris, S. Hasegawa, R. Heller, J. Hirschauer, B. Jayatilaka, S. Jindariani, M. Johnson, U. Joshi, B. Klima, M.J. Kortelainen, B. Kreis, S. Lammel, J. Lewis, D. Lincoln, R. Lipton, M. Liu, T. Liu, J. Lykken, K. Maeshima, J.M. Marraffino, D. Mason, P. McBride, P. Merkel, S. Mrenna, S. Nahn, V. O'Dell, V. Papadimitriou, K. Pedro, C. Pena, G. Rakness, F. Ravera, L. Ristori, B. Schneider, E. Sexton-Kennedy, N. Smith, A. Soha, W.J. Spalding, L. Spiegel, S. Stoynev, J. Strait, N. Strobbe, L. Taylor, S. Tkaczyk, N.V. Tran, L. Uplegger, E.W. Vaandering, C. Vernieri, M. Verzocchi, R. Vidal, M. Wang, H.A. Weber

**University of Florida, Gainesville, USA**

D. Acosta, P. Avery, P. Bortignon, D. Bourilkov, A. Brinkerhoff, L. Cadamuro, A. Carnes, V. Cherepanov, D. Curry, F. Errico, R.D. Field, S.V. Gleyzer, B.M. Joshi, M. Kim, J. Konigsberg, A. Korytov, K.H. Lo, P. Ma, K. Matchev, N. Menendez, G. Mitselmakher, D. Rosenzweig, K. Shi, J. Wang, S. Wang, X. Zuo

**Florida International University, Miami, USA**

Y.R. Joshi

**Florida State University, Tallahassee, USA**

T. Adams, A. Askew, S. Hagopian, V. Hagopian, K.F. Johnson, R. Khurana, T. Kolberg, G. Martinez, T. Perry, H. Prosper, C. Schiber, R. Yohay, J. Zhang

**Florida Institute of Technology, Melbourne, USA**

M.M. Baarmand, V. Bhopatkar, M. Hohlmann, D. Noonan, M. Rahmani, M. Saunders, F. Yumiceva

**University of Illinois at Chicago (UIC), Chicago, USA**

M.R. Adams, L. Apanasevich, D. Berry, R.R. Betts, R. Cavanaugh, X. Chen, S. Dittmer, O. Evdokimov, C.E. Gerber, D.A. Hangal, D.J. Hofman, K. Jung, C. Mills, T. Roy, M.B. Tonjes, N. Varelas, H. Wang, X. Wang, Z. Wu

**The University of Iowa, Iowa City, USA**

M. Alhusseini, B. Bilki<sup>51</sup>, W. Clarida, K. Dilsiz<sup>69</sup>, S. Durgut, R.P. Gandrajula, M. Haytmyradov, V. Khristenko, O.K. Kseyan, J.-P. Merlo, A. Mestvirishvili<sup>70</sup>, A. Moeller, J. Nachtman, H. Ogul<sup>71</sup>, Y. Onel, F. Ozok<sup>72</sup>, A. Penzo, C. Snyder, E. Tiras, J. Wetzel

**Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, USA**

B. Blumenfeld, A. Cocoros, N. Eminizer, D. Fehling, L. Feng, A.V. Gritsan, W.T. Hung, P. Maksimovic, J. Roskes, M. Swartz, M. Xiao

**The University of Kansas, Lawrence, USA**

C. Baldenegro Barrera, P. Baringer, A. Bean, S. Boren, J. Bowen, A. Bylinkin, T. Isidori, S. Khalil, J. King, G. Krintiras, A. Kropivnitskaya, C. Lindsey, D. Majumder, W. Mcbrayer, N. Minafra, M. Murray, C. Rogan, C. Royon, S. Sanders, E. Schmitz, J.D. Tapia Takaki, Q. Wang, J. Williams, G. Wilson

**Kansas State University, Manhattan, USA**

S. Duric, A. Ivanov, K. Kaadze, D. Kim, Y. Maravin, D.R. Mendis, T. Mitchell, A. Modak, A. Mohammadi

**Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory, Livermore, USA**

F. Rebassoo, D. Wright

**University of Maryland, College Park, USA**

A. Baden, O. Baron, A. Belloni, S.C. Eno, Y. Feng, N.J. Hadley, S. Jabeen, G.Y. Jeng, R.G. Kellogg,

J. Kunkle, A.C. Mignerey, S. Nabili, F. Ricci-Tam, M. Seidel, Y.H. Shin, A. Skuja, S.C. Tonwar, K. Wong

**Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, USA**

D. Abercrombie, B. Allen, A. Baty, R. Bi, S. Brandt, W. Busza, I.A. Cali, M. D'Alfonso, G. Gomez Ceballos, M. Goncharov, P. Harris, D. Hsu, M. Hu, M. Klute, D. Kovalskyi, Y.-J. Lee, P.D. Luckey, B. Maier, A.C. Marini, C. McGinn, C. Mironov, S. Narayanan, X. Niu, C. Paus, D. Rankin, C. Roland, G. Roland, Z. Shi, G.S.F. Stephans, K. Sumorok, K. Tatar, D. Velicanu, J. Wang, T.W. Wang, B. Wyslouch

**University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, USA**

A.C. Benvenuti<sup>†</sup>, R.M. Chatterjee, A. Evans, S. Guts, P. Hansen, J. Hiltbrand, S. Kalafut, Y. Kubota, Z. Lesko, J. Mans, R. Rusack, M.A. Wadud

**University of Mississippi, Oxford, USA**

J.G. Acosta, S. Oliveros

**University of Nebraska-Lincoln, Lincoln, USA**

K. Bloom, D.R. Claes, C. Fangmeier, L. Finco, F. Golf, R. Gonzalez Suarez, R. Kamalieddin, I. Kravchenko, J.E. Siado, G.R. Snow, B. Stieger

**State University of New York at Buffalo, Buffalo, USA**

G. Agarwal, C. Harrington, I. Iashvili, A. Kharchilava, C. Mclean, D. Nguyen, A. Parker, J. Pekkanen, S. Rappoccio, B. Roozbahani

**Northeastern University, Boston, USA**

G. Alverson, E. Barberis, C. Freer, Y. Haddad, A. Hortiangtham, G. Madigan, D.M. Morse, T. Orimoto, L. Skinnari, A. Tishelman-Charny, T. Wamorkar, B. Wang, A. Wisecarver, D. Wood

**Northwestern University, Evanston, USA**

S. Bhattacharya, J. Bueghly, T. Gunter, K.A. Hahn, N. Odell, M.H. Schmitt, K. Sung, M. Trovato, M. Velasco

**University of Notre Dame, Notre Dame, USA**

R. Bucci, N. Dev, R. Goldouzian, M. Hildreth, K. Hurtado Anampa, C. Jessop, D.J. Karmgard, K. Lannon, W. Li, N. Loukas, N. Marinelli, I. Mcalister, F. Meng, C. Mueller, Y. Musienko<sup>35</sup>, M. Planer, R. Ruchti, P. Siddireddy, G. Smith, S. Taroni, M. Wayne, A. Wightman, M. Wolf, A. Woodard

**The Ohio State University, Columbus, USA**

J. Alimena, B. Bylsma, L.S. Durkin, S. Flowers, B. Francis, C. Hill, W. Ji, A. Lefeld, T.Y. Ling, B.L. Winer

**Princeton University, Princeton, USA**

S. Cooperstein, G. Dezoort, P. Elmer, J. Hardenbrook, N. Haubrich, S. Higginbotham, A. Kalogeropoulos, S. Kwan, D. Lange, M.T. Lucchini, J. Luo, D. Marlow, K. Mei, I. Ojalvo, J. Olsen, C. Palmer, P. Pirou, J. Salfeld-Nebgen, D. Stickland, C. Tully, Z. Wang

**University of Puerto Rico, Mayaguez, USA**

S. Malik, S. Norberg

**Purdue University, West Lafayette, USA**

A. Barker, V.E. Barnes, S. Das, L. Gutay, M. Jones, A.W. Jung, A. Khatiwada, B. Mahakud, D.H. Miller, G. Negro, N. Neumeister, C.C. Peng, S. Piperov, H. Qiu, J.F. Schulte, J. Sun, F. Wang, R. Xiao, W. Xie

**Purdue University Northwest, Hammond, USA**

T. Cheng, J. Dolen, N. Parashar

**Rice University, Houston, USA**

K.M. Ecklund, S. Freed, F.J.M. Geurts, M. Kilpatrick, Arun Kumar, W. Li, B.P. Padley, R. Redjimi, J. Roberts, J. Rorie, W. Shi, A.G. Stahl Leiton, Z. Tu, A. Zhang

**University of Rochester, Rochester, USA**

A. Bodek, P. de Barbaro, R. Demina, J.L. Dulemba, C. Fallon, T. Ferbel, M. Galanti, A. Garcia-Bellido, J. Han, O. Hindrichs, A. Khukhunaishvili, E. Ranken, P. Tan, R. Taus

**Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, Piscataway, USA**

B. Chiarito, J.P. Chou, A. Gandrakota, Y. Gershtein, E. Halkiadakis, A. Hart, M. Heindl, E. Hughes, S. Kaplan, S. Kyriacou, I. Laflotte, A. Lath, R. Montalvo, K. Nash, M. Osherson, H. Saka, S. Salur, S. Schnetzer, D. Sheffield, S. Somalwar, R. Stone, S. Thomas, P. Thomassen

**University of Tennessee, Knoxville, USA**

H. Acharya, A.G. Delannoy, J. Heideman, G. Riley, S. Spanier

**Texas A&M University, College Station, USA**

O. Bouhali<sup>73</sup>, A. Celik, M. Dalchenko, M. De Mattia, A. Delgado, S. Dildick, R. Eusebi, J. Gilmore, T. Huang, T. Kamon<sup>74</sup>, S. Luo, D. Marley, R. Mueller, D. Overton, L. Perni, D. Rathjens, A. Safonov

**Texas Tech University, Lubbock, USA**

N. Akchurin, J. Damgov, F. De Guio, S. Kunori, K. Lamichhane, S.W. Lee, T. Mengke, S. Muthumuni, T. Peltola, S. Undleeb, I. Volobouev, Z. Wang, A. Whitbeck

**Vanderbilt University, Nashville, USA**

S. Greene, A. Gurrola, R. Janjam, W. Johns, C. Maguire, A. Melo, H. Ni, K. Padeken, F. Romeo, P. Sheldon, S. Tuo, J. Velkovska, M. Verweij

**University of Virginia, Charlottesville, USA**

M.W. Arenton, P. Barria, B. Cox, G. Cummings, R. Hirosky, M. Joyce, A. Ledovskoy, C. Neu, B. Tannenwald, Y. Wang, E. Wolfe, F. Xia

**Wayne State University, Detroit, USA**

R. Harr, P.E. Karchin, N. Poudyal, J. Sturdy, P. Thapa, S. Zaleski

**University of Wisconsin - Madison, Madison, WI, USA**

J. Buchanan, C. Caillol, D. Carlsmith, S. Dasu, I. De Bruyn, L. Dodd, F. Fiori, C. Galloni, B. Gomber<sup>75</sup>, M. Herndon, A. Herv, U. Hussain, P. Klabbers, A. Lanaro, A. Loeliger, K. Long, R. Loveless, J. Madhusudanan Sreekala, T. Ruggles, A. Savin, V. Sharma, W.H. Smith, D. Teague, S. Trembath-reichert, N. Woods

†: Deceased

1: Also at Vienna University of Technology, Vienna, Austria

2: Also at IRFU, CEA, Universit Paris-Saclay, Gif-sur-Yvette, France

3: Also at Universidade Estadual de Campinas, Campinas, Brazil

4: Also at Federal University of Rio Grande do Sul, Porto Alegre, Brazil

5: Also at UFMS/CPNA Federal University of Mato Grosso do Sul/Campus of Nova Andradina, Nova Andradina, Brazil

6: Also at Universidade Federal de Pelotas, Pelotas, Brazil

7: Also at Universit Libre de Bruxelles, Bruxelles, Belgium

8: Also at University of Chinese Academy of Sciences, Beijing, China

- 9: Also at Institute for Theoretical and Experimental Physics named by A.I.Alikhanov of NRC Kurchatov Institute, Moscow, Russia
- 10: Also at Joint Institute for Nuclear Research, Dubna, Russia
- 11: Also at Suez University, Suez, Egypt
- 12: Now at British University in Egypt, Cairo, Egypt
- 13: Also at Purdue University, West Lafayette, USA
- 14: Also at Universit de Haute Alsace, Mulhouse, France
- 15: Also at Erzincan Binali Yildirim University, Erzincan, Turkey
- 16: Also at CERN, European Organization for Nuclear Research, Geneva, Switzerland
- 17: Also at RWTH Aachen University, III. Physikalisches Institut A, Aachen, Germany
- 18: Also at University of Hamburg, Hamburg, Germany
- 19: Also at Brandenburg University of Technology, Cottbus, Germany
- 20: Also at Institute of Physics, University of Debrecen, Debrecen, Hungary
- 21: Also at Institute of Nuclear Research ATOMKI, Debrecen, Hungary
- 22: Also at MTA-ELTE Lendlet CMS Particle and Nuclear Physics Group, Eötvös Loránd University, Budapest, Hungary
- 23: Also at Indian Institute of Technology Bhubaneswar, Bhubaneswar, India
- 24: Also at Institute of Physics, Bhubaneswar, India
- 25: Also at Shoolini University, Solan, India
- 26: Also at University of Visva-Bharati, Santiniketan, India
- 27: Also at Isfahan University of Technology, Isfahan, Iran
- 28: Also at ITALIAN NATIONAL AGENCY FOR NEW TECHNOLOGIES, ENERGY AND SUSTAINABLE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, Bologna, Italy
- 29: Also at CENTRO SICILIANO DI FISICA NUCLEARE E DI STRUTTURA DELLA MATERIA, Catania, Italy
- 30: Also at Scuola Normale e Sezione dell'INFN, Pisa, Italy
- 31: Also at Riga Technical University, Riga, Latvia
- 32: Also at Malaysian Nuclear Agency, MOSTI, Kajang, Malaysia
- 33: Also at Consejo Nacional de Ciencia y Tecnología, Mexico City, Mexico
- 34: Also at Warsaw University of Technology, Institute of Electronic Systems, Warsaw, Poland
- 35: Also at Institute for Nuclear Research, Moscow, Russia
- 36: Now at National Research Nuclear University 'Moscow Engineering Physics Institute' (MEPhI), Moscow, Russia
- 37: Also at St. Petersburg State Polytechnical University, St. Petersburg, Russia
- 38: Also at University of Florida, Gainesville, USA
- 39: Also at Imperial College, London, United Kingdom
- 40: Also at P.N. Lebedev Physical Institute, Moscow, Russia
- 41: Also at California Institute of Technology, Pasadena, USA
- 42: Also at Budker Institute of Nuclear Physics, Novosibirsk, Russia
- 43: Also at Faculty of Physics, University of Belgrade, Belgrade, Serbia
- 44: Also at Università degli Studi di Siena, Siena, Italy
- 45: Also at INFN Sezione di Pavia <sup>a</sup>, Università di Pavia <sup>b</sup>, Pavia, Italy
- 46: Also at National and Kapodistrian University of Athens, Athens, Greece
- 47: Also at Universität Zürich, Zürich, Switzerland
- 48: Also at Stefan Meyer Institute for Subatomic Physics (SMI), Vienna, Austria
- 49: Also at Adiyaman University, Adiyaman, Turkey
- 50: Also at Sırnak University, SİRNAK, Turkey
- 51: Also at Beykent University, Istanbul, Turkey
- 52: Also at Istanbul Aydın University, Istanbul, Turkey



- 
- 53: Also at Mersin University, Mersin, Turkey  
54: Also at Piri Reis University, Istanbul, Turkey  
55: Also at Gaziosmanpasa University, Tokat, Turkey  
56: Also at Ozyegin University, Istanbul, Turkey  
57: Also at Izmir Institute of Technology, Izmir, Turkey  
58: Also at Marmara University, Istanbul, Turkey  
59: Also at Kafkas University, Kars, Turkey  
60: Also at Istanbul University, Istanbul, Turkey  
61: Also at Istanbul Bilgi University, Istanbul, Turkey  
62: Also at Hacettepe University, Ankara, Turkey  
63: Also at School of Physics and Astronomy, University of Southampton, Southampton, United Kingdom  
64: Also at Institute for Particle Physics Phenomenology Durham University, Durham, United Kingdom  
65: Also at Monash University, Faculty of Science, Clayton, Australia  
66: Also at Bethel University, St. Paul, USA  
67: Also at Karamanoğlu Mehmetbey University, Karaman, Turkey  
68: Also at Vilnius University, Vilnius, Lithuania  
69: Also at Bingol University, Bingol, Turkey  
70: Also at Georgian Technical University, Tbilisi, Georgia  
71: Also at Sinop University, Sinop, Turkey  
72: Also at Mimar Sinan University, Istanbul, Istanbul, Turkey  
73: Also at Texas A&M University at Qatar, Doha, Qatar  
74: Also at Kyungpook National University, Daegu, Korea  
75: Also at University of Hyderabad, Hyderabad, India