

# Search and measurement of the SM Higgs boson



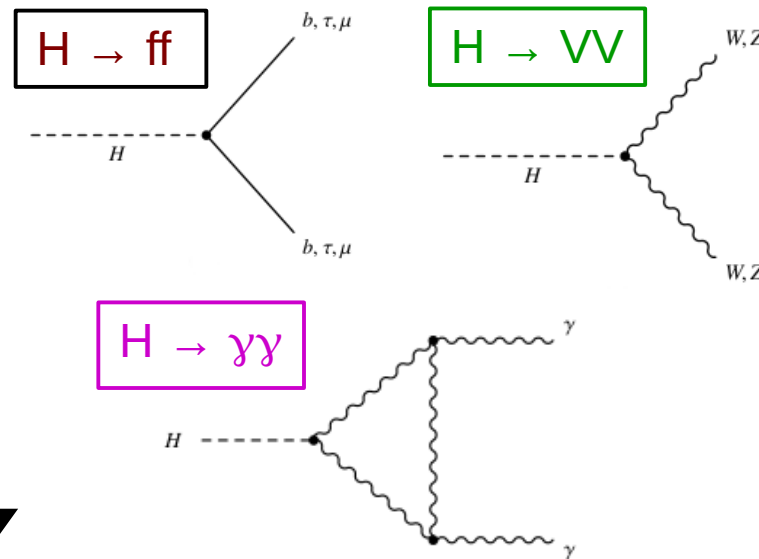
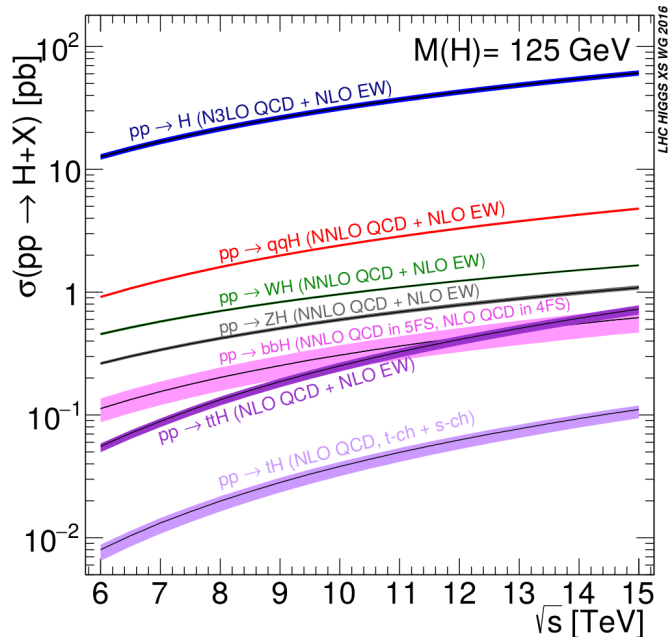
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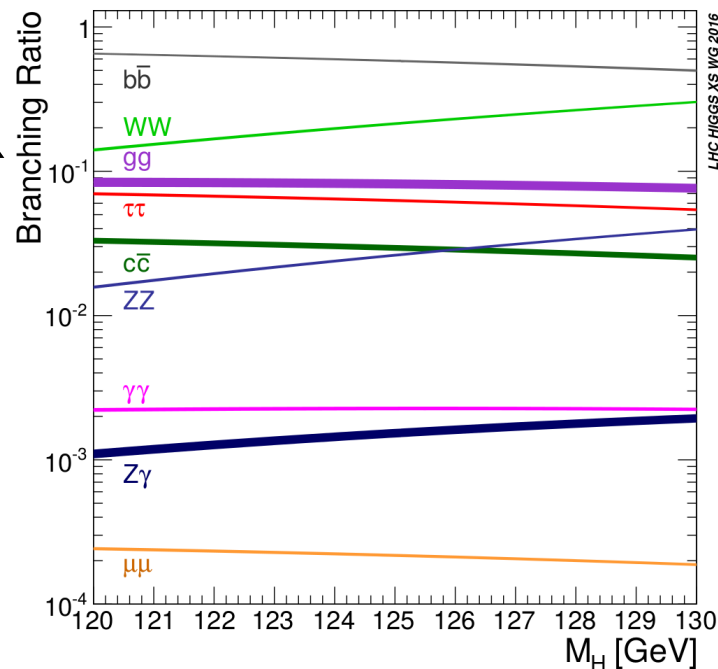
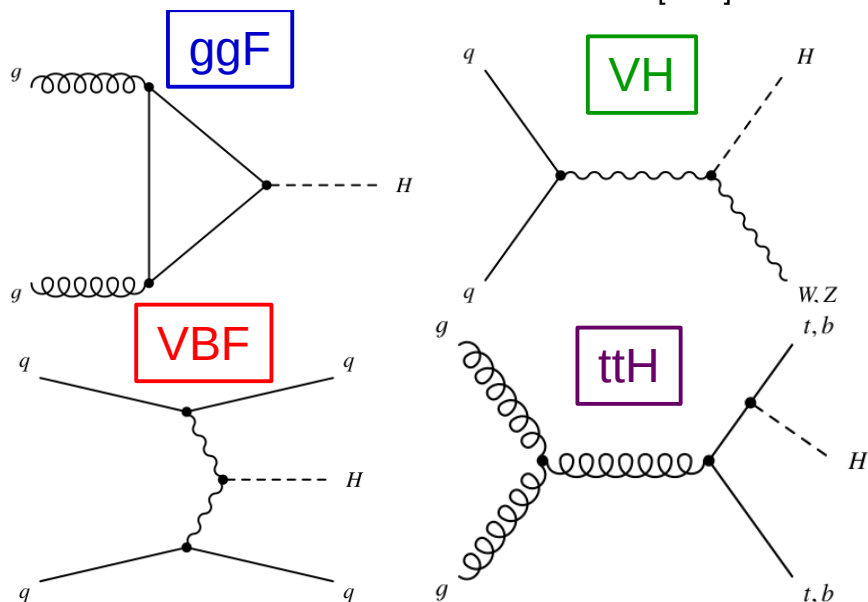
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# Introduction



Higgs boson production cross sections



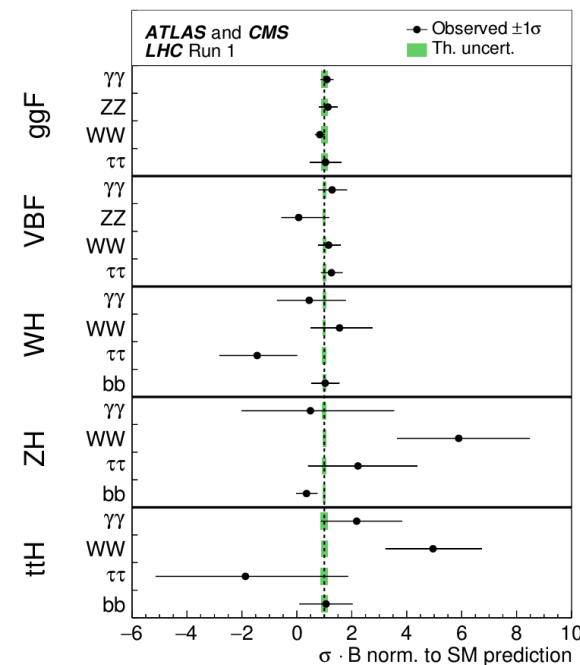
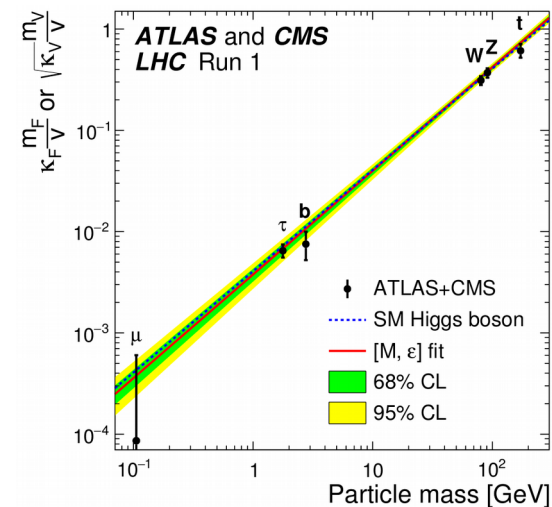
Higgs boson decay branching ratios



# Introduction



- The legacy of the LHC Run-1 has been a huge success with the discovery of the Higgs boson and the first measurement of its properties and couplings.
  - No significant deviation from the SM has been found so far.
- $gg \rightarrow H$  and VBF production, and  $ZZ, \gamma\gamma, WW$  decays observed
  - many other channels to be observed.
- ATLAS and CMS collaborations obtained many new results with  $36\text{fb}^{-1}$  of 13 TeV data  $\rightarrow$  they are summarized in this talk.



| Production process       | Measured significance ( $\sigma$ ) | Expected significance ( $\sigma$ ) |
|--------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| VBF                      | 5.4                                | 4.6                                |
| $WH$                     | 2.4                                | 2.7                                |
| $ZH$                     | 2.3                                | 2.9                                |
| $VH$                     | 3.5                                | 4.2                                |
| $ttH$                    | 4.4                                | 2.0                                |
| Decay channel            |                                    |                                    |
| $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$ | 5.5                                | 5.0                                |
| $H \rightarrow bb$       | 2.6                                | 3.7                                |

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# Outline



- Introduction
- Big news:
  - Single experiment observation of  $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$ ;
  - Evidence for  $t\bar{t}H$ ;
  - Evidence for  $VH \rightarrow b\bar{b}$ .
- Other SM Higgs searches:
  - $VH \rightarrow c\bar{c}$ ;
  - boosted  $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$ ;
  - $H \rightarrow \mu\mu$ ;
  - $H \rightarrow Z\gamma$ ;
  - $H \rightarrow$  light quarks.
- Towards precision SM Higgs measurements with  $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$  and  $H \rightarrow ZZ$ :
  - simplified template cross section;
  - differential cross section;
  - couplings;
- Conclusions.



**Big news**

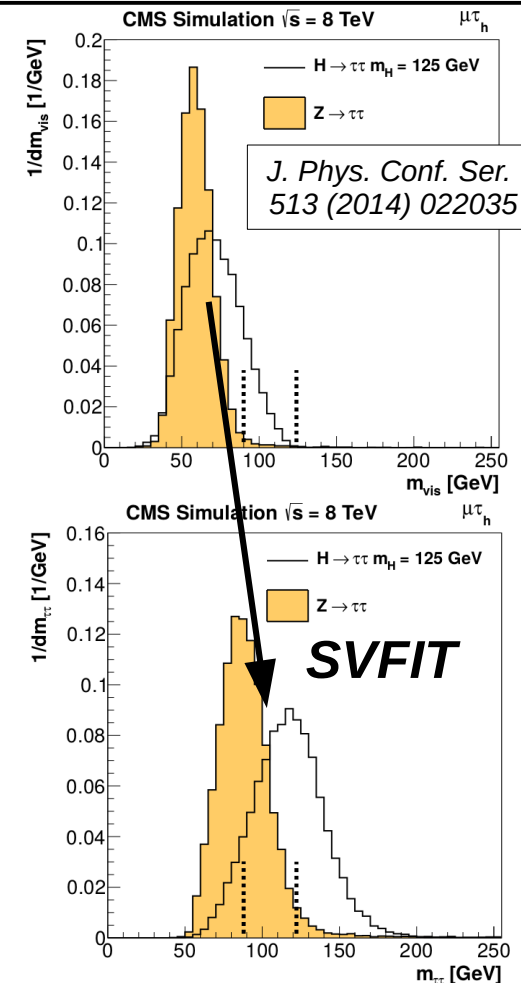


# $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$



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- The  $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$  can decay into  $e\mu$ ,  $\mu\tau_h$ ,  $e\tau_h$ ,  $\tau_h\tau_h$  ( $\tau_h = \tau \rightarrow \text{hadr.}$ ).
  - All final states have been exploited.
- Three categories with different purities: **0-jet**, **VBF**, **boosted**.
- $\tau_h$  identified by a MVA discriminant.
  - energy calibrated for different  $\tau_h$  final states using  $Z \rightarrow \tau\tau$ ;
  - $m_{\tau\tau}$  reconstructed combining  $\tau$  momenta with MET (**SVFIT**).
- Opposite **charge** and lepton **isolation**  $\rightarrow$  **QCD** rejection.
- [ $e\tau_h$ ,  $\mu\tau_h$ ] **Transverse mass**  $< 50$  GeV  $\rightarrow$  **W+jets** rejection.
- [ $e\mu$ ] **Large MET** projected along di-tau axis  $\rightarrow$   **$t\bar{t}$**  rejection.
- Main backgrounds:
  - $Z \rightarrow \tau\tau$  simulation is corrected using  $Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$  data;
  - **W+jets** and  **$t\bar{t}$**  simulations are normalized to data inverting rejection cuts;
  - **QCD** fully estimated from data  $\rightarrow$  ABCD method inverting charge and isolation cuts.



- Signal extraction:

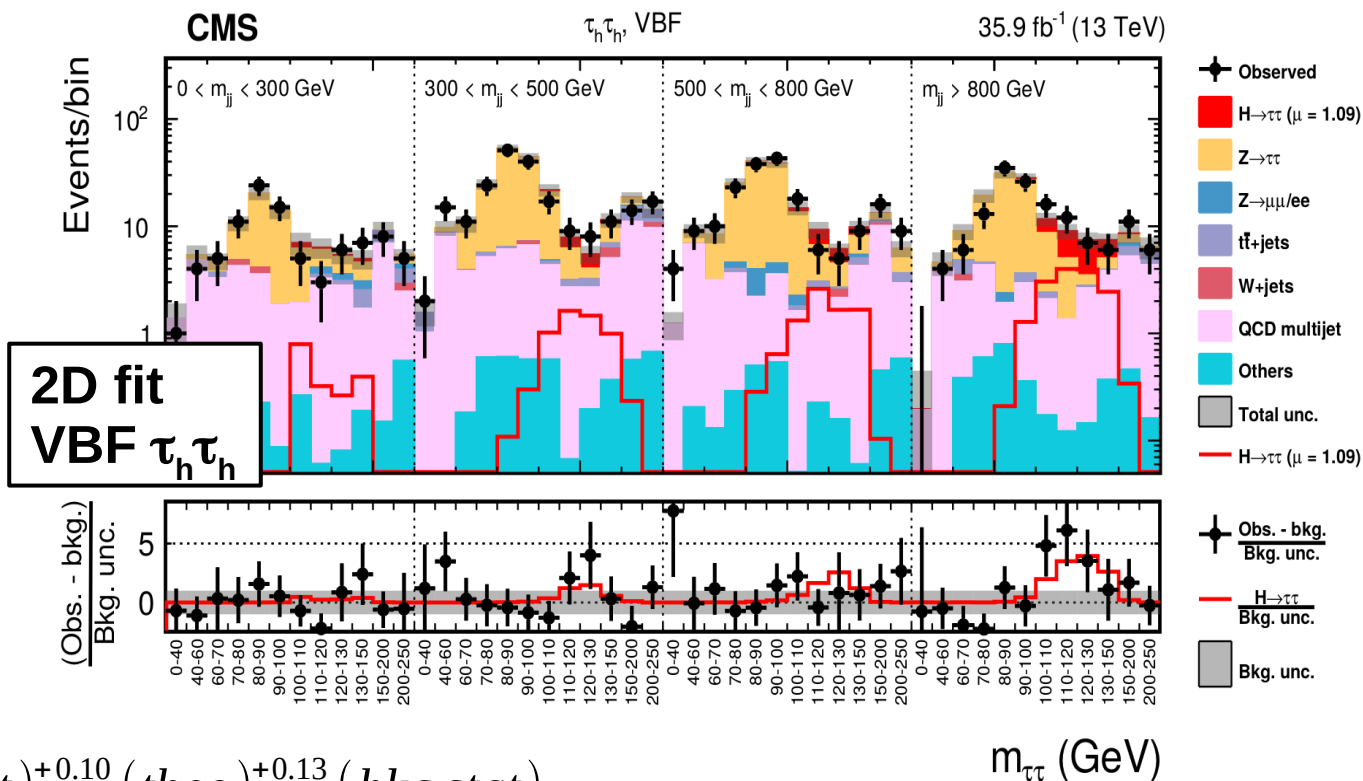
- 1D or **2D** fit of the most discriminating variables, eg.  $(m_{jj}, m_{\tau\tau})$  for  $\tau_h\tau_h$  VBF.

- Results [CMS]:

- $\mu = 1.09^{+0.15}_{-0.15} (stat)^{+0.16}_{-0.15} (syst)^{+0.10}_{-0.08} (theo)^{+0.13}_{-0.12} (bkg\ stat)$
- corresponding to a sign. of  $4.9\sigma$  (exp.  $4.7\sigma$ ).

- **13 TeV + 8 TeV combination:**

- $\mu = 0.98 \pm 0.18 \rightarrow$  sign.  **$5.9\sigma$**  (exp.  $5.9\sigma$ ).



**First observation of H  $\rightarrow$   $\tau\tau$  by a single experiment**



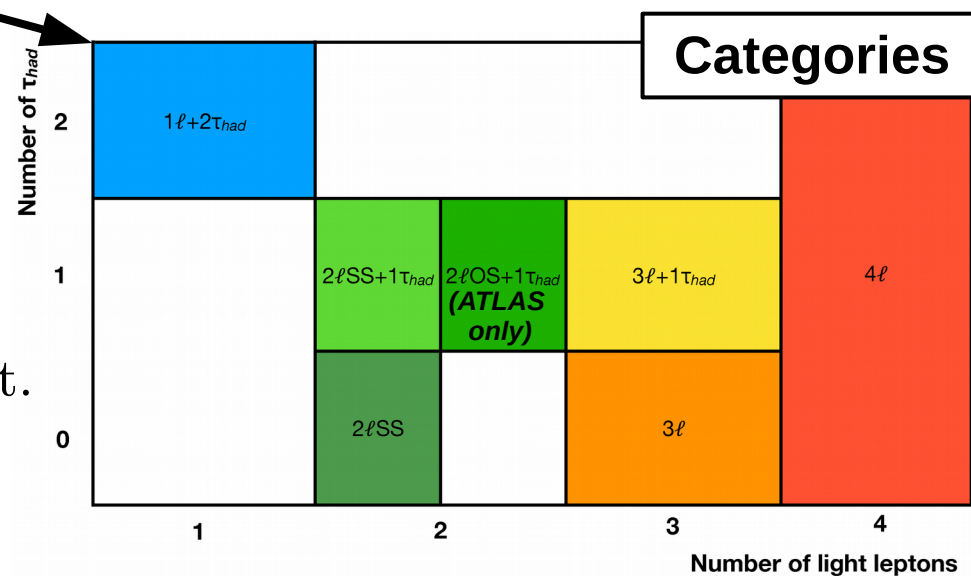


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# $ttH$ multilepton



- In  $ttH$ , the Higgs boson can decay into leptons ( $e, \mu, \tau$ ) through the decay  $H \rightarrow WW, ZZ, \tau\tau$ 
  - up to two other leptons can be originated from the top decays in  $ttH$
- The presence of at least two **same-sign leptons** can be used to eliminate the large  $Z/W$ +jets and  $t\bar{t}$  background.
- Many final states considered.
- **Main backgrounds:**
  - $ttV$  and  $VV$   
→ estimated by **simulations**;
  - charge mis-id, fake  $\tau_h$ , non-prompt lept.  
→ **data-driven** estimate.

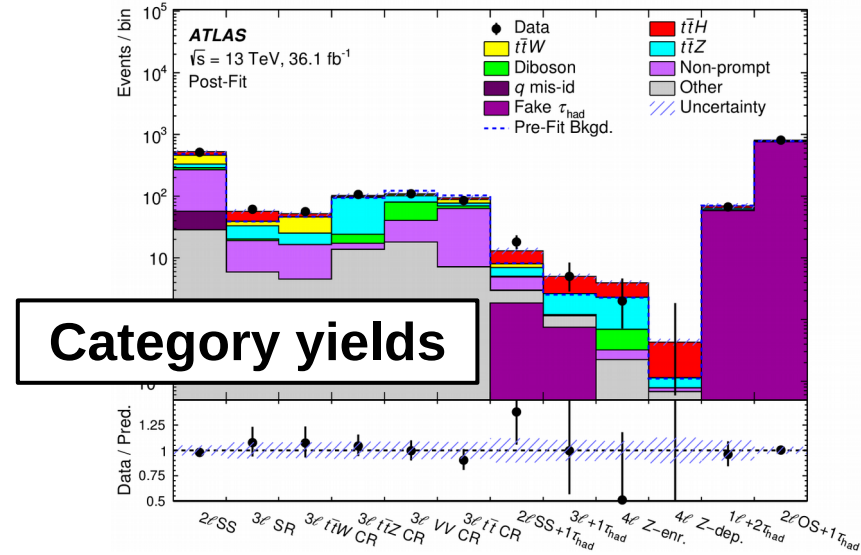




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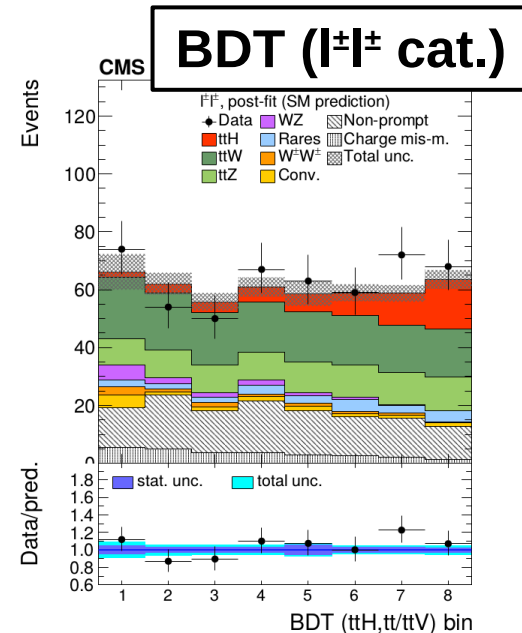


- Fit is performed combining most discriminating variables using a BDT.
  - In several cases, a **multinomial BDT** is trained to reject the different backgrounds → combined into a 1D discriminant.

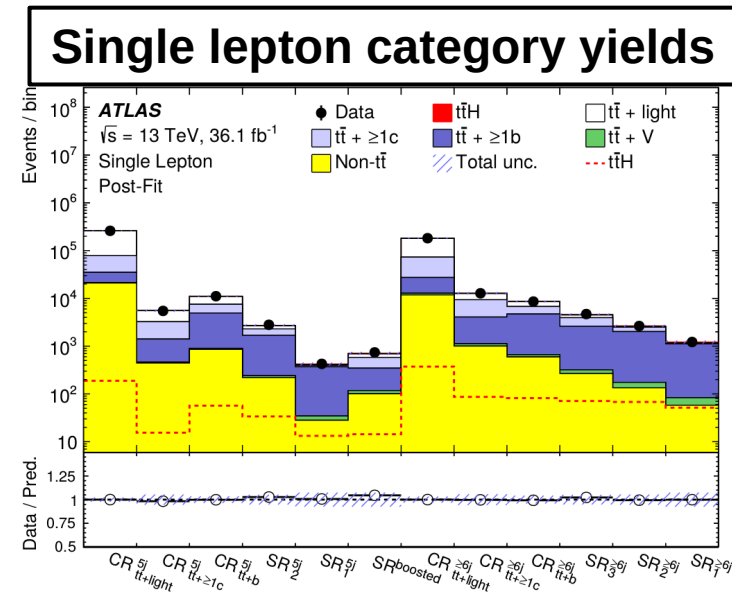
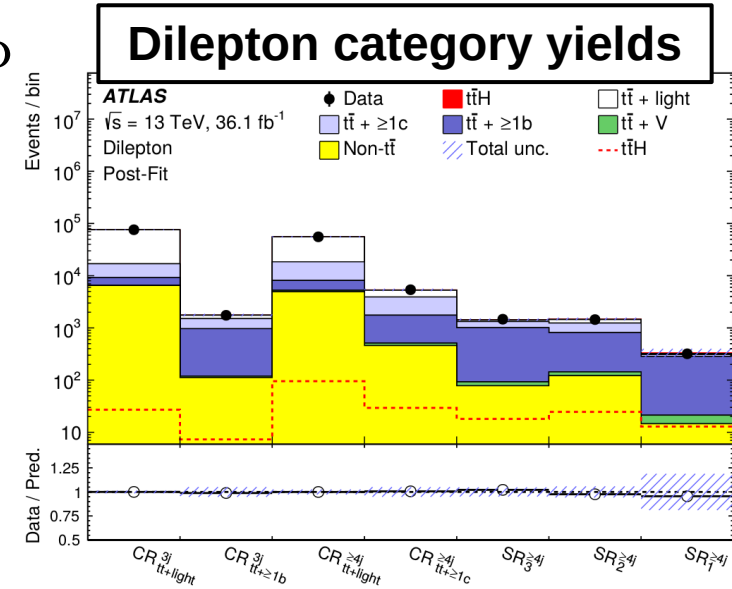


## Results:

|       | Final state     | Signal strength   | Sign.(exp.)            |
|-------|-----------------|---|------------------------|
| ATLAS | inclusive       | $\mu = 1.6_{-0.3}^{+0.3}(\text{stat})_{-0.3}^{+0.4}(\text{syst})$ | $4.1\sigma(2.8\sigma)$ |
| CMS   | $N(\tau_h) = 0$ | $\mu = 1.5_{-0.3}^{+0.3}(\text{stat})_{-0.4}^{+0.4}(\text{syst})$ | $3.3\sigma(2.4\sigma)$ |
|       | $N(\tau_h) > 0$ | $\mu = 0.76_{-0.53}^{+0.62}$                                      | $1.4\sigma(1.8\sigma)$ |



- In  $ttH(bb)$ , **4 b-jets** are expected from the top and Higgs decays plus:
  - 2 leptons + MET (**Dilepton** decay);
  - 2 jets + 1 lepton + MET (**Single lept.** decay).
- Main background is  $tt + b/c/light$  jets.
- Events are **categorized** depending on the number of jets and leptons, and **b-tagging** discriminant, into:
  - 9 signal regions, to select different purities;
  - 10 control regions, to constrain the different background components.



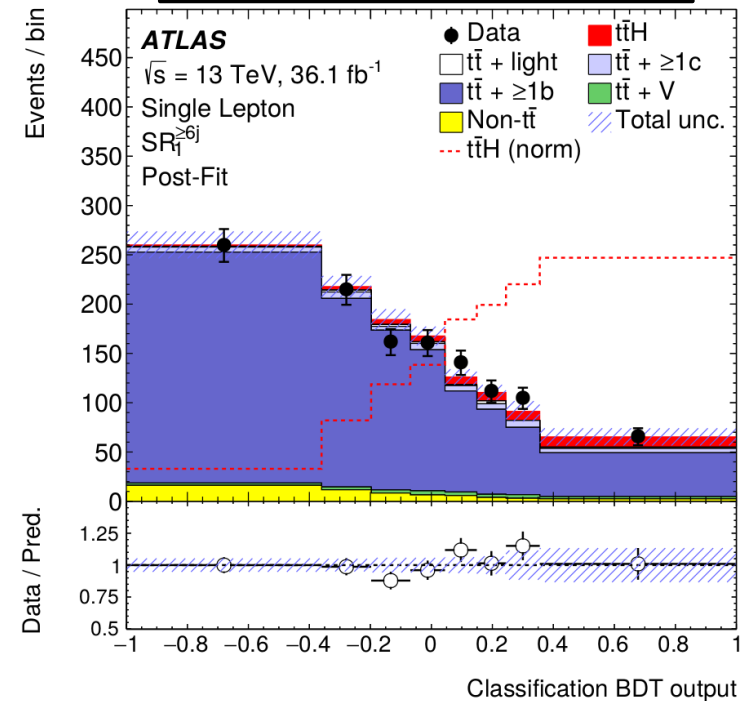
- Signal is extracted fitting simultaneously all signal and control regions
  - BDTs are used to enhance the S/B separation.

## ATLAS results and $ttH$ combination:

| Channel                      | Best-fit $\mu$      |                     | Significance |             |
|------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|--------------|-------------|
|                              | Observed            | Expected            | Observed     | Expected    |
| Multilepton                  | $1.6^{+0.5}_{-0.4}$ | $1.0^{+0.4}_{-0.4}$ | $4.1\sigma$  | $2.8\sigma$ |
| $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$     | $0.8^{+0.6}_{-0.6}$ | $1.0^{+0.6}_{-0.6}$ | $1.4\sigma$  | $1.6\sigma$ |
| $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ | $0.6^{+0.7}_{-0.6}$ | $1.0^{+0.8}_{-0.6}$ | $0.9\sigma$  | $1.7\sigma$ |
| $H \rightarrow 4\ell$        | $< 1.9$             | $1.0^{+3.2}_{-1.0}$ | —            | $0.6\sigma$ |
| Combined                     | $1.2^{+0.3}_{-0.3}$ | $1.0^{+0.3}_{-0.3}$ | $4.2\sigma$  | $3.8\sigma$ |

Evidence for  $ttH$   
by a single experiment

**BDT distribution in the highest-purity SR**



- CMS results (ICHEP2016,  $\sim 13 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ ):  $\mu = -0.19^{+0.45}_{-0.44} (\text{stat})^{+0.66}_{-0.68} (\text{syst})$



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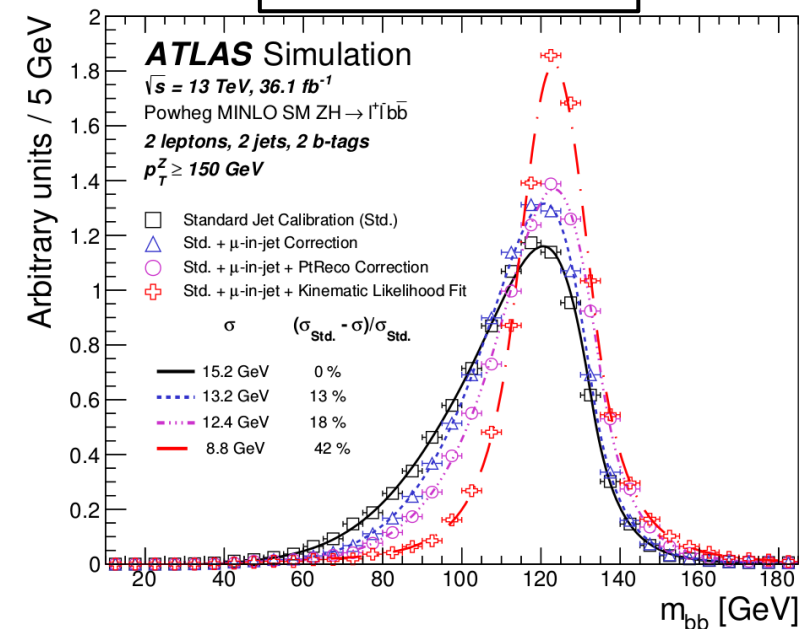
$$VH \rightarrow bb$$



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- Most sensible  $H \rightarrow bb$  channel is  $VH(bb)$ , with a leptonic decay ( $Z \rightarrow ll$ ,  $W \rightarrow lv$ ,  $Z \rightarrow vv$ ) to suppress the QCD multijet background.
  - $H(bb)$  is also the most sensible  $VH$  channel.
- **Four channels** (0-lepton, 1-lepton, low and high boosted 2-lepton).
  - ATLAS split signal regions depending also on the number of jets (2 or 3).
- Main backgrounds are  $Z+(b)\text{jets}$ ,  $W+(b)\text{jets}$ ,  $tt$ :
  - bkg **shape** modeled using simulations;
  - yields are **free parameters** of the final fit;
    - control regions added into the final fit to constrain background yields.
- Special calibration of **b-jet energy** in order to improve  $m_{bb}$  resolution.

**$M_{bb}$  resolution**





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# VH $\rightarrow$ bb



**CMS**

| Channel             | SR/CR         | Categories       |
|---------------------|---------------|------------------|
| 0-lepton            | SR            | BDT              |
| 1-lepton            | SR            | BDT              |
| 2-1.(high $p_T^V$ ) | SR            | BDT              |
| 2-1.(low $p_T^V$ )  | SR            | BDT              |
| 0-lepton            | $t\bar{t}$ CR | CSV <sub>2</sub> |
| 0-lepton            | Z + LF CR     | CSV <sub>2</sub> |
| 0-lepton            | Z + HF CR     | CSV <sub>2</sub> |
| 1-lepton            | $t\bar{t}$ CR | CSV <sub>2</sub> |
| 1-lepton            | W + LF CR     | CSV <sub>2</sub> |
| 1-lepton            | W + HF CR     | CSV <sub>2</sub> |
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| 2-1.(high $p_T^V$ ) | Z + HF CR     | CSV <sub>2</sub> |
| 2-1.(low $p_T^V$ )  | $t\bar{t}$ CR | CSV <sub>2</sub> |
| 2-1.(low $p_T^V$ )  | Z + LF CR     | CSV <sub>2</sub> |
| 2-1.(low $p_T^V$ )  | Z + HF CR     | CSV <sub>2</sub> |

**ATLAS**

| Channel             | SR/CR               | Categories |          |
|---------------------|---------------------|------------|----------|
|                     |                     | 2 jets     | 3 jets   |
| 0-lepton            | SR                  | BDT        | BDT      |
| 1-lepton            | SR                  | BDT        | BDT      |
| 2-lepton            | SR (high $p_T^V$ )  | BDT        | BDT      |
| 2-lepton            | SR (low $p_T^V$ )   | BDT        | BDT      |
| 1-lepton            | W + HF CR           | Yield      | Yield    |
| 2-1.(high $p_T^V$ ) | $t\bar{t}(e\mu)$ CR | Yield      | $m_{bb}$ |
| 2-1.(low $p_T^V$ )  | $t\bar{t}(e\mu)$ CR | $m_{bb}$   | $m_{bb}$ |

- **BDT** trained against all bkg in each SR, combining discriminating variables (eg.  $m_{bb}$ , b-tag)
- A **simultaneous fit** of all SR and CR is performed for the signal extraction.
- [ATLAS] Cross-check analysis w/o BDT

- VZ(bb) measurement:

- CMS:  $\mu = 1.02 \pm 0.22$

- ATLAS:  $\mu = 1.11 \pm 0.23$

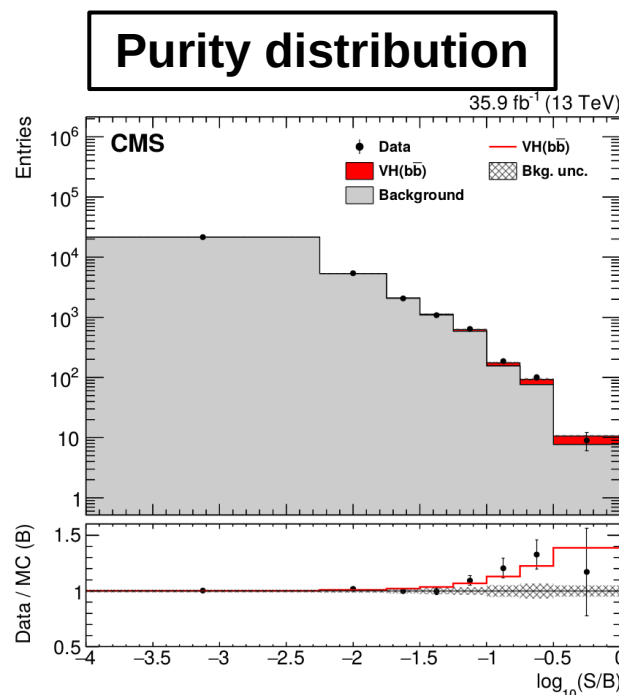
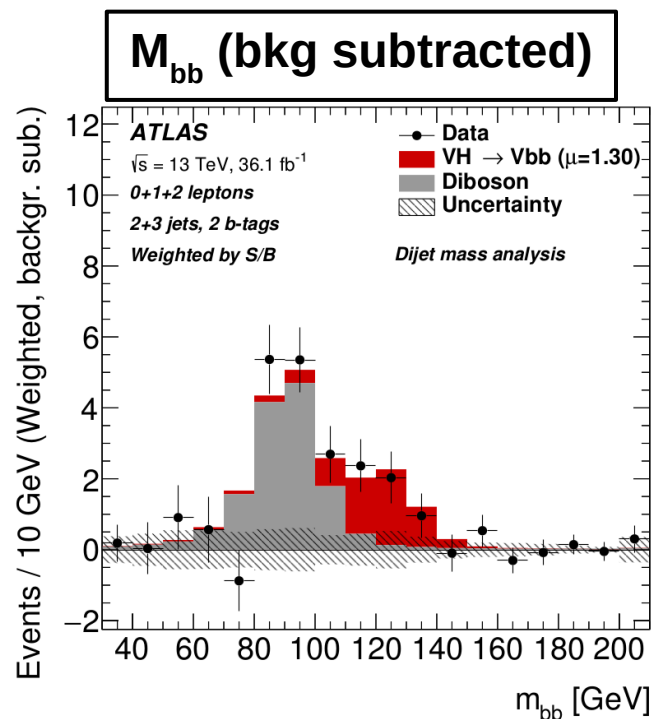
- Results (Run1+Run2):

- CMS: **3.8 $\sigma$**  (exp. **3.8 $\sigma$** )

$$\mu = 1.06^{+0.31}_{-0.29}$$

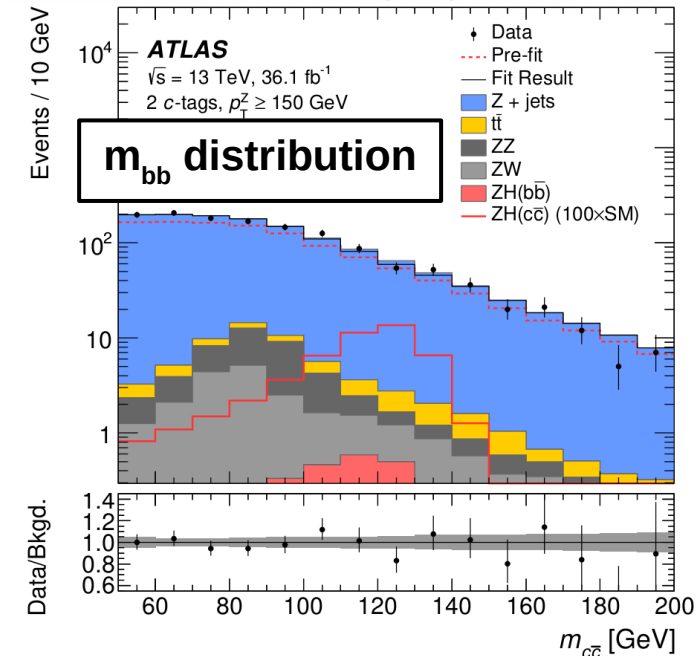
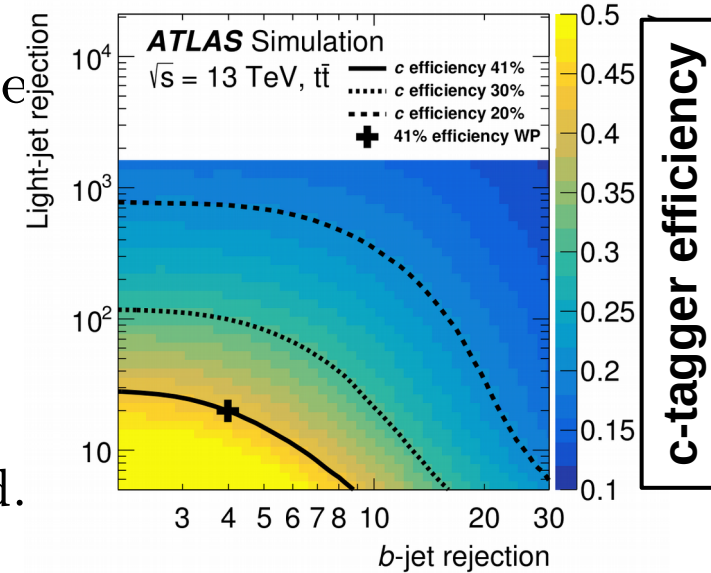
- ATLAS: **3.6 $\sigma$** (exp. **4.0 $\sigma$** )

$$\mu = 0.90 \pm 0.18 (stat)^{+0.21}_{-0.19} (syst)$$



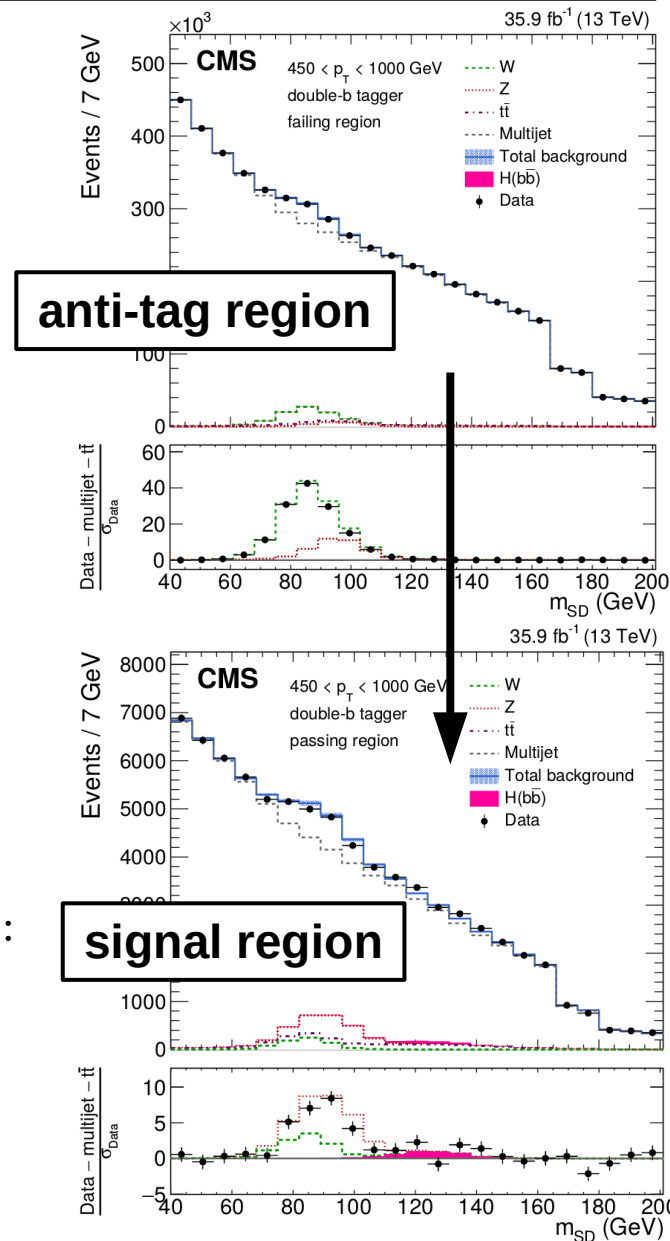
# Other SM Higgs boson searches

- As for  $H \rightarrow bb$ ,  $H \rightarrow cc$  has been searched in the  $Z(\ell\ell)H(cc)$  channel.
- Two **c-tagger** discriminators have been trained against b-jets and light-jets:
  - calibrated in data using  $t \rightarrow Wb$  and  $W \rightarrow cs/cd$ .
- **Challenges:** c-tagger,  $BR(H \rightarrow cc) \sim 2.9\%$ ,  $Z+cc$  bkg.
- A validation analysis has been performed looking for  $Z(\ell\ell)W(cs)$  and  $Z(\ell\ell)Z(cc)$ .
  - $\mu = 0.6^{+0.5}_{-0.4} \rightarrow 1.4\sigma$  (exp.  $2.2\sigma$ )
- Results:  $\mu = -69 \pm 101$ 
  - upper limit  $\mu < 100$  (exp. 150).



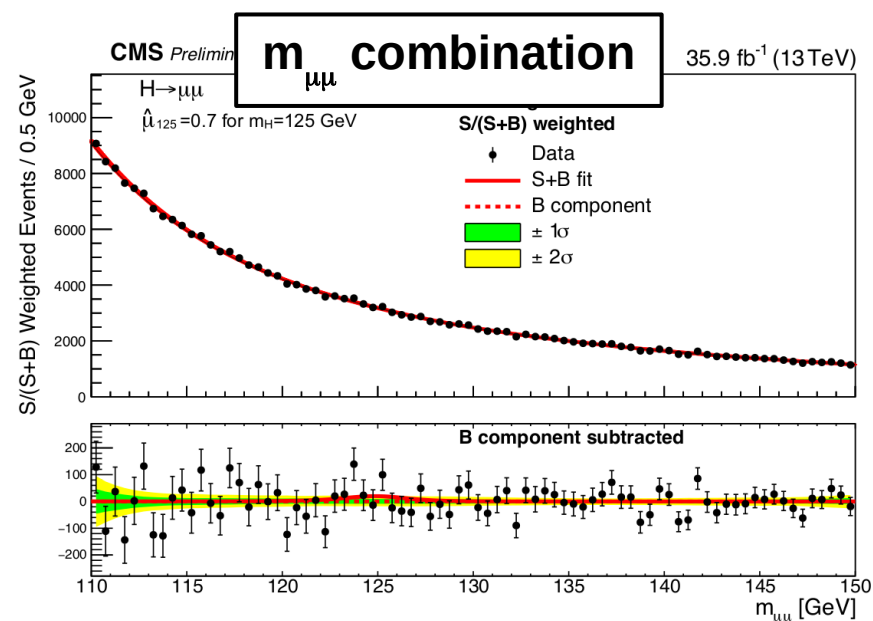
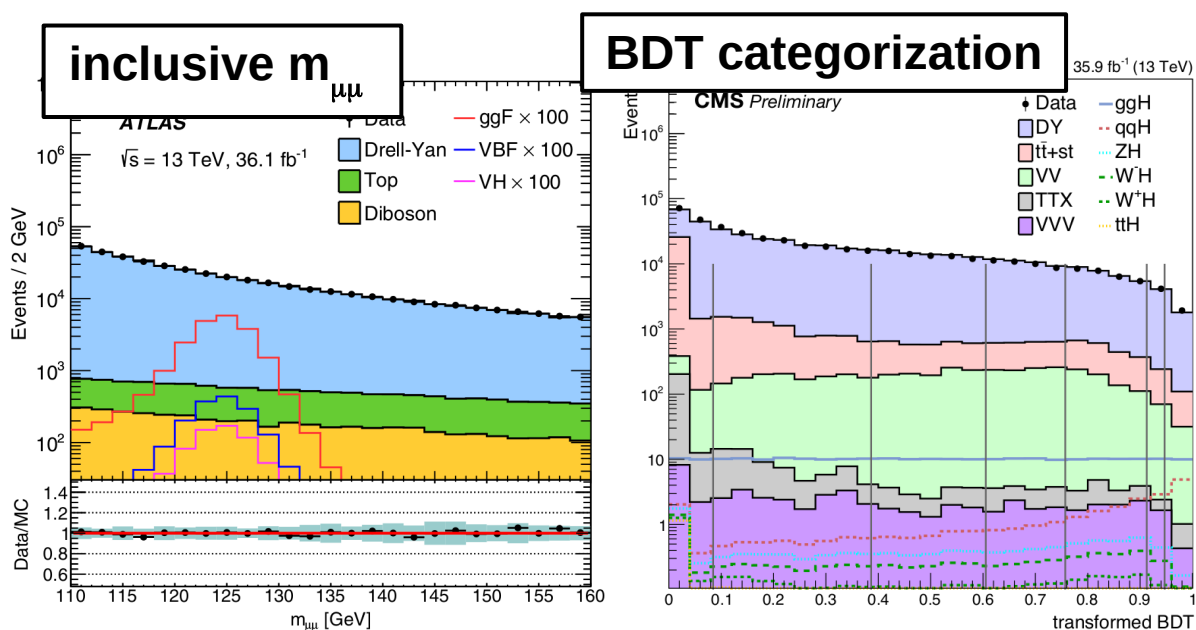


- Brand new analysis: boosted  $gg \rightarrow H \rightarrow bb$ .
- Large QCD multijet background.
- **AK8 jet** with  $p_T > 450 \text{ GeV}$ :
  - pileup per particle identification (PUPPI);
  - soft drop grooming and two subjects ( $N_2^1$  variable);
  - **double b-tagger** specifically designed for  $H(bb)$ .
- **QCD** estimated inverting b-tag cut and propagated to SR with a transfer function  $R_{p/f} = f(\log(m_{SD}/p_T), p_T)$ .
- Other backgrounds estimated by simulations  $\rightarrow$  b-tag fake rate and efficiency constrained from data.
- Challenging signal cross-section computation in boosted  $gg \rightarrow H$ :
  - approximate NLO  $H+0,1,2$  jet merged with finite  $m_t$ ;
  - k-factor  $\sim 1.3$ , systematic unc.  $\sim 30\%$  on normalization and slope.
- **Results:**  $\mu = 2.3 \pm 1.5 (stat)_{-0.4}^{+1.0} (syst) \rightarrow 1.5\sigma$  (exp.  $0.7\sigma$ )



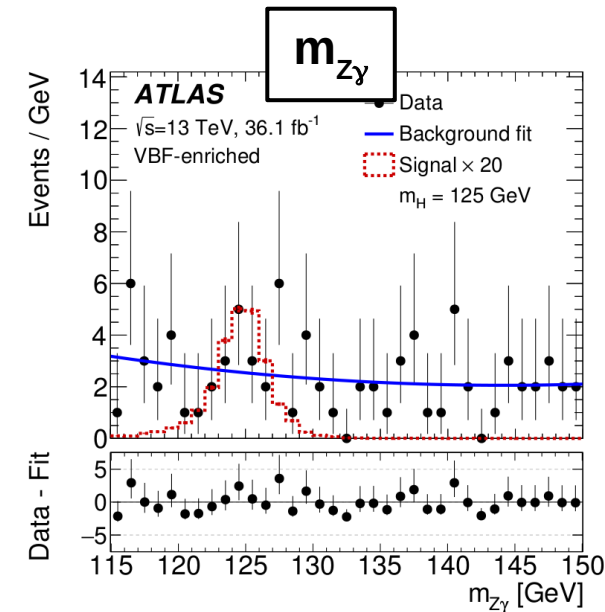
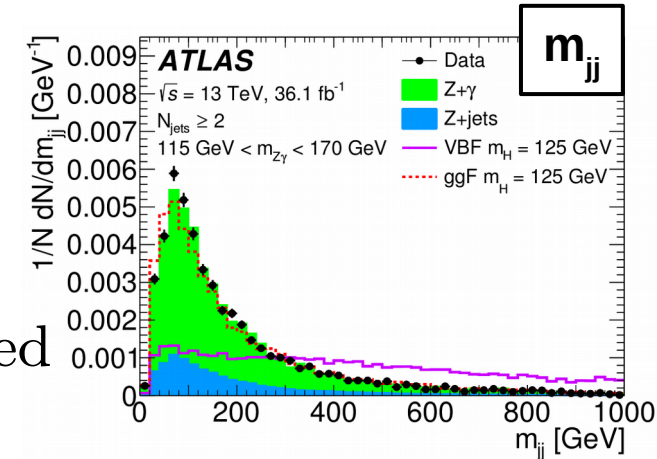
# H $\rightarrow$ $\mu\mu$

- H  $\rightarrow$   $\mu\mu$  can be found as a peak in a **smoothly falling background**.
- The analysis is split in categories with different di-muon mass **resolution** and signal **purity**  $\rightarrow$  a **BDT** is used to enhance S/B separation.
  - VBF-enriched categories have the largest purity and sensitivity.
- **Results.** CMS:  $\mu = 0.9_{-0.9}^{+1.0} \rightarrow 0.98\sigma(1.09\sigma)$ ; ATLAS:  $\mu = -0.1 \pm 1.4$



# H $\rightarrow$ Z $\gamma$

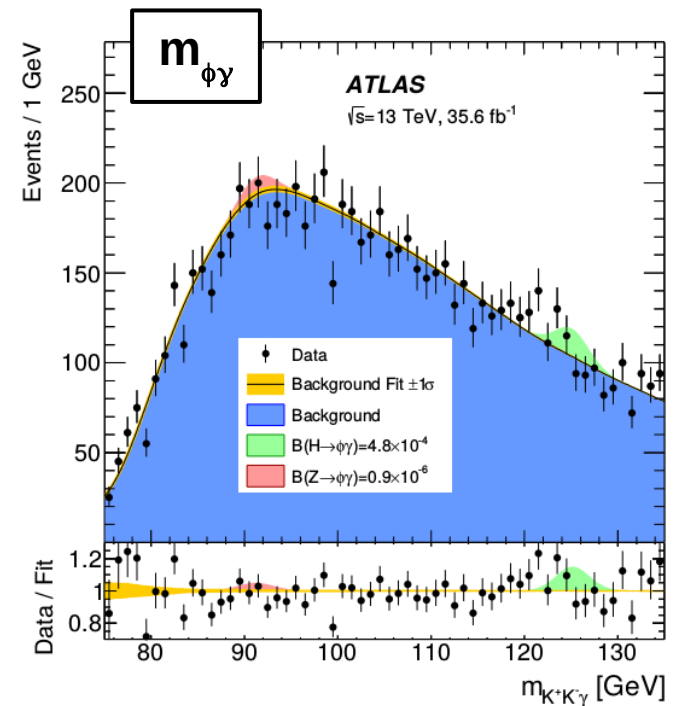
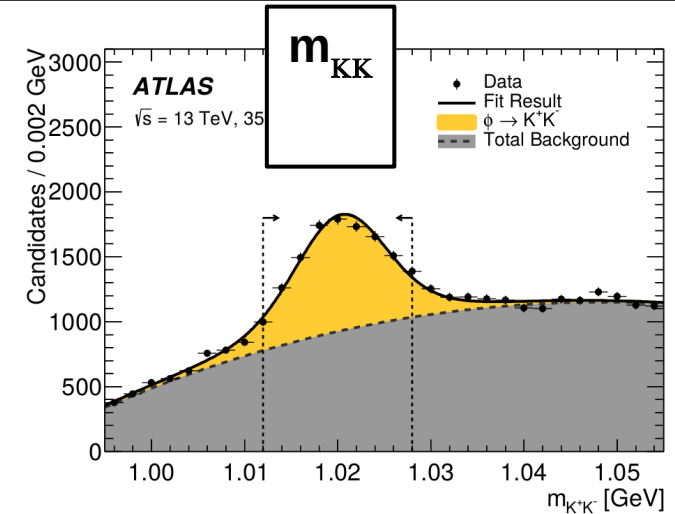
- Higgs boson decays into Z $\gamma$  through loops.
  - BR similar to H  $\rightarrow$   $\gamma\gamma$ ,  
but only 6.6% Z  $\rightarrow$   $\mu\mu/ee$ .
- $m_{Z\gamma}$  resolution improved recovering the FSR emitted close to the lepton and with a **kinematic fit**.
- Analysis divided in several categories with different purities
  - **VBF** category has the largest purity and sensitivity.
- **Result:** Upper limit 6.6 times the SM (exp. 5.2).



# H $\rightarrow$ light quarks

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- $H \rightarrow \phi\gamma$  and  $H \rightarrow \rho(770)\gamma$  have been proposed as channel to probe the Higgs coupling with the s quark and u/d quarks, respectively.
- The expected SM BR are  $2.3 \cdot 10^{-6}$  and  $1.7 \cdot 10^{-5}$ .
- They have been searched in the  $\phi \rightarrow K^+K^-$  and  $\rho \rightarrow \pi^+\pi^-$  decays.
- One isolated photon with  $p_T > 35$  GeV.
- Two isolated tracks with  $p_T > 15$  GeV and mass compatible to  $\rho$  or  $\phi$ .
- **Data driven background estimate:**
  - validated in  $\rho$  and  $\phi$  side bands.
- **Results:**
  - upper limit  $BR(\phi\gamma) 4.8(4.2) \cdot 10^{-4} \rightarrow \mu < 208(182)$ ;
  - upper limit  $BR(\rho\gamma) 8.8(8.4) \cdot 10^{-4} \rightarrow \mu < 52(50)$ .



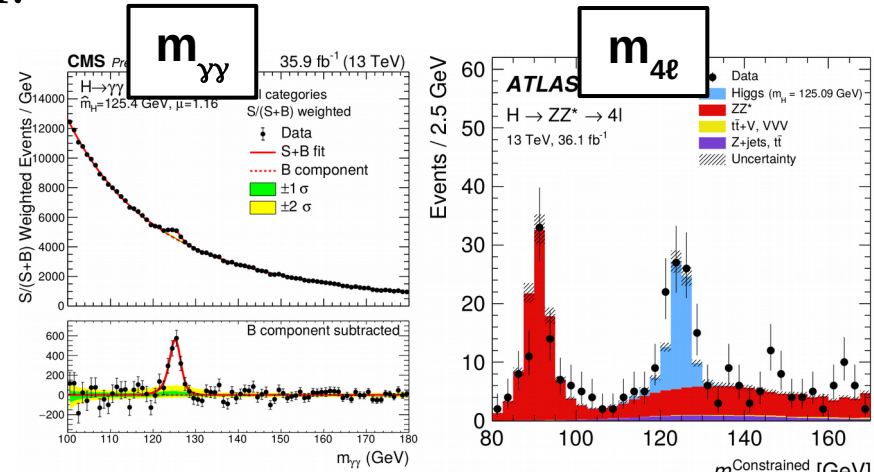
# Precision SM Higgs boson measurements



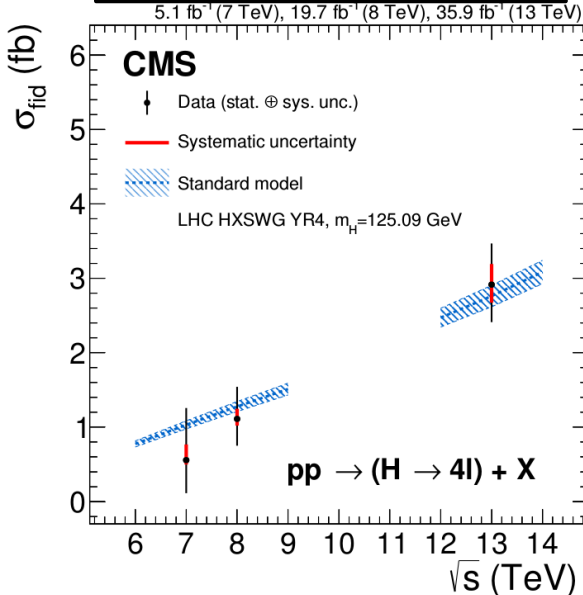
# H → 4ℓ and H → γγ



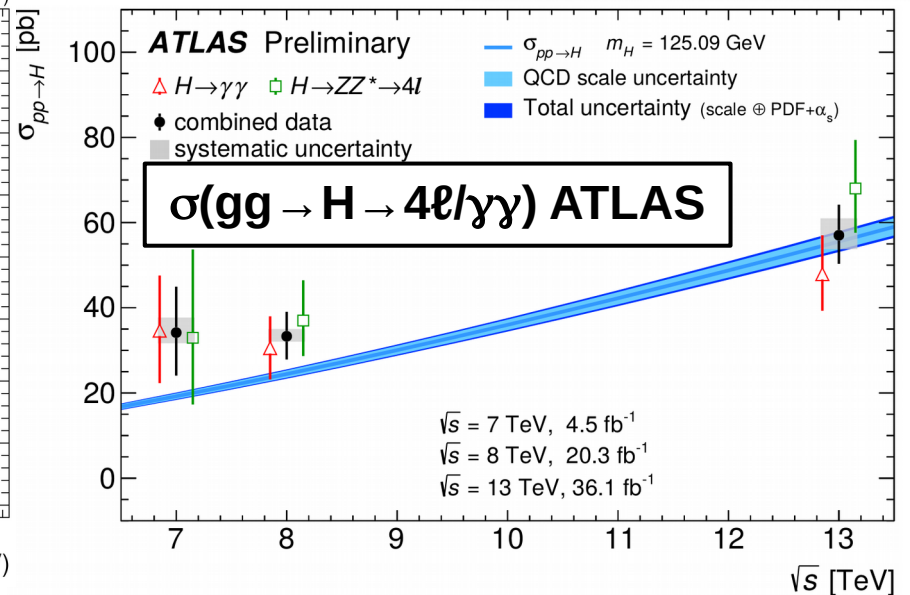
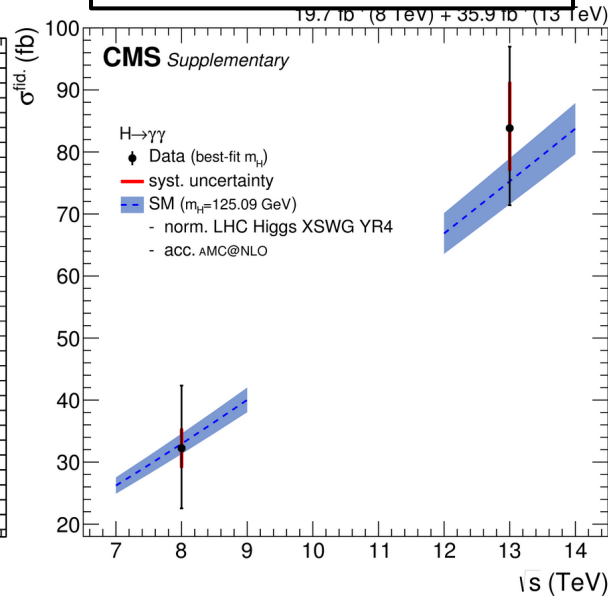
- The H → γγ and H → 4ℓ are the most sensitive channel to provide precision measurement of the Higgs boson.
  - ATLAS has already provided the **combination** H → 4ℓ + H → γγ.
- 13 TeV analyses confirm SM expectation:
  - measurement cross-section vs √s.



## σ(gg → H → 4ℓ) CMS



## σ(gg → H → γγ) CMS



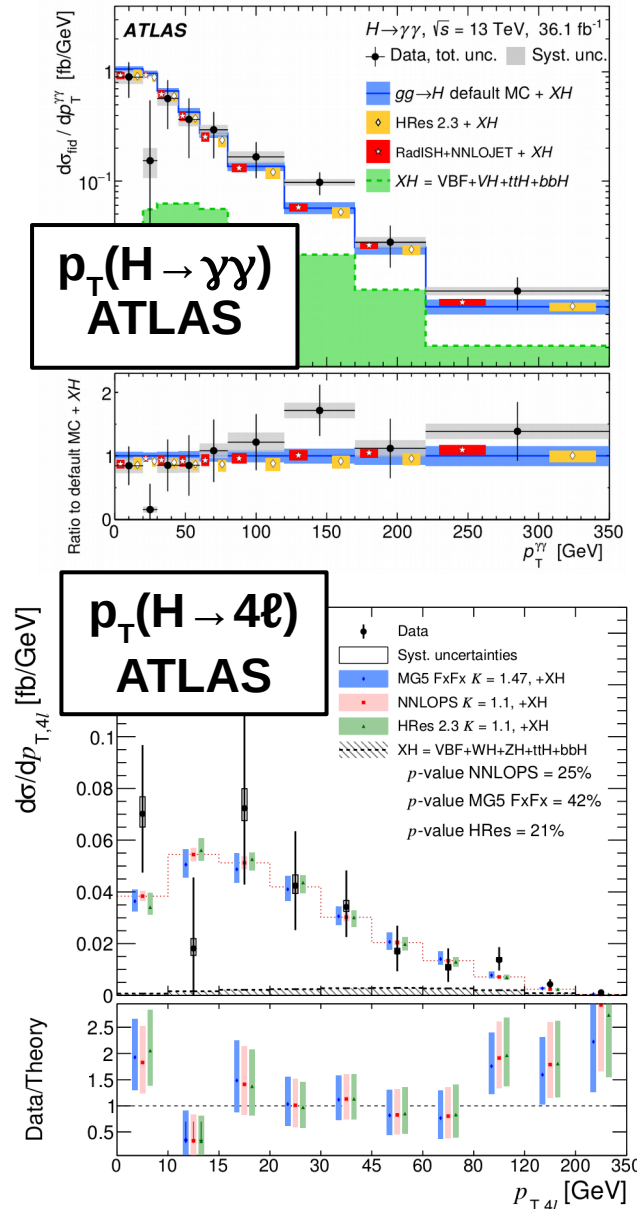
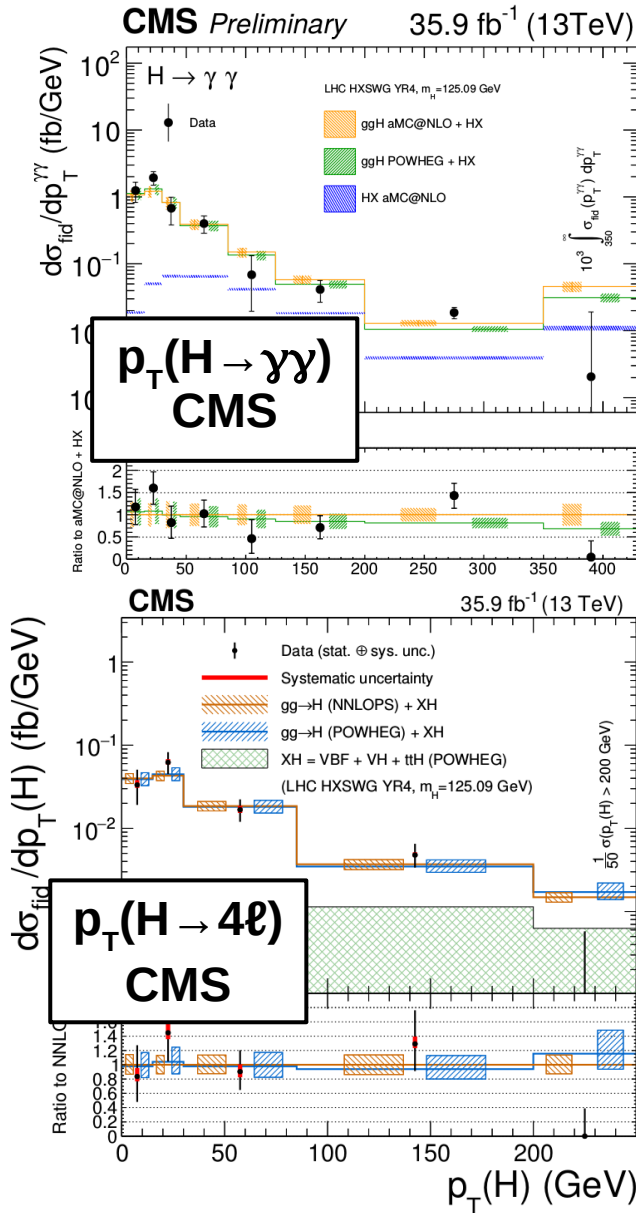


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# $H \rightarrow 4\ell$ and $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$

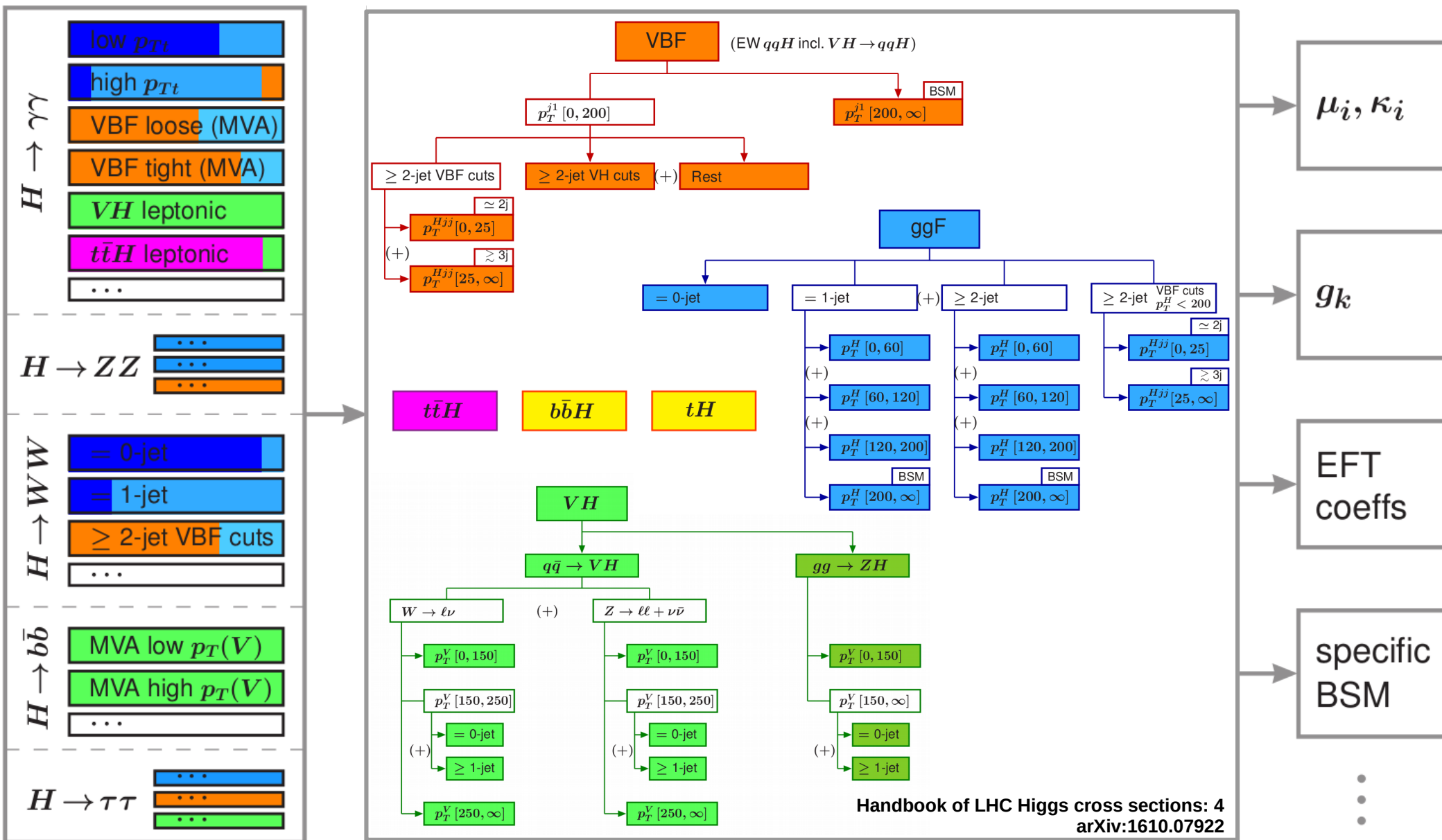


- The growing signal allows to measure the **differential** cross section as a function of variable eg.  $p_T(H)$ ,  $N_{jet}$ ,  $\eta(H)$ , ...
- Here the measurement of  $p_T(H)$  in  $H \rightarrow 4\ell$  and  $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ .
- The cross section is measured in a **fiducial** phase space in order to allow a good comparison with theory.





# Simplified Template Cross Section (STXC)



Handbook of LHC Higgs cross sections: 4  
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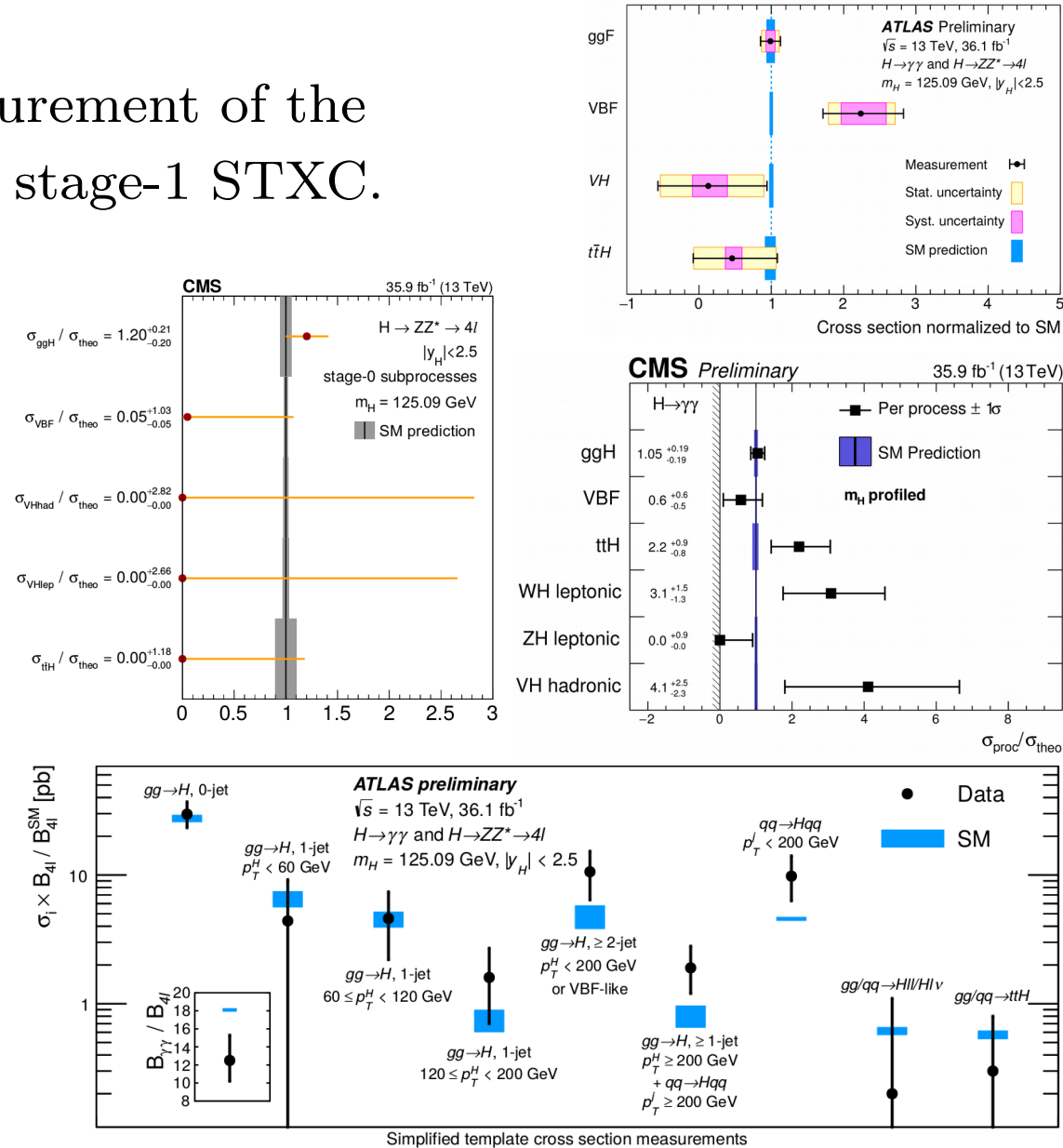


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# Simplified Template Cross Section (STXC)

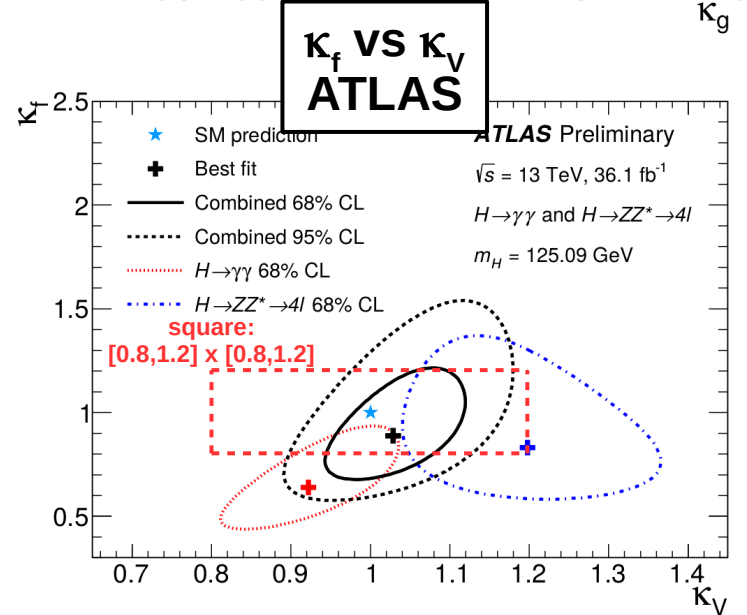
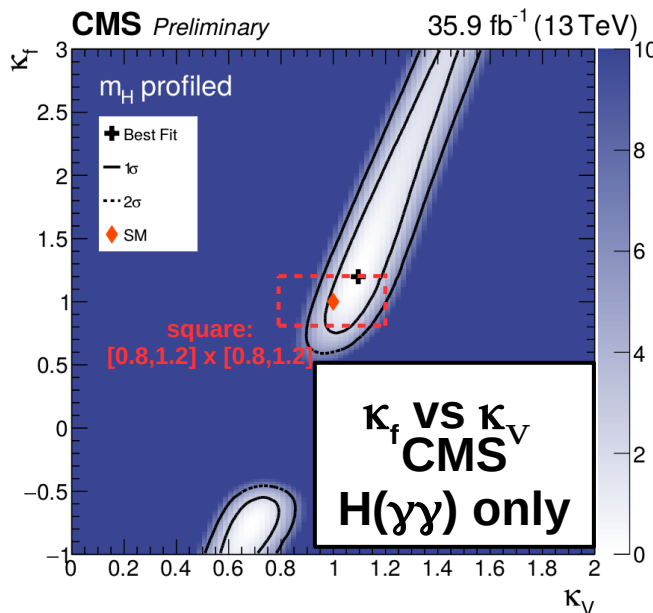
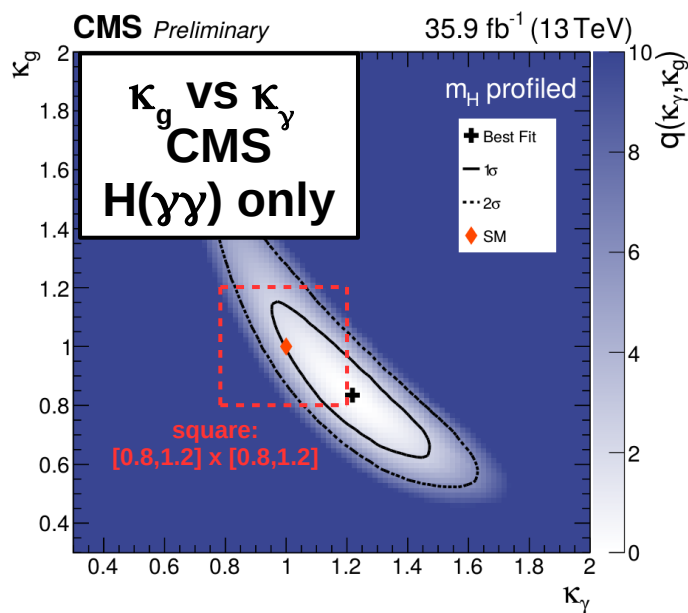
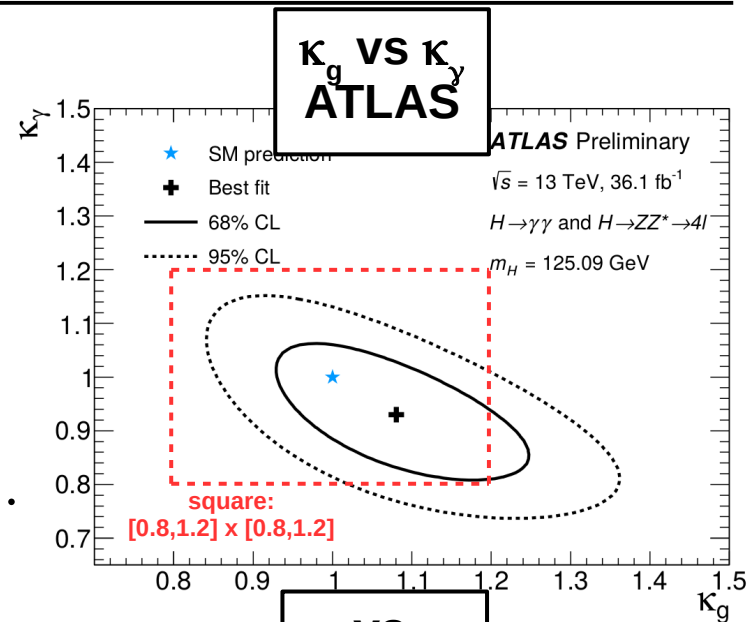


- We are going towards the measurement of the Higgs boson cross-section using stage-1 STXC.
- The first step (stage-0) is the measurement of the cross-section per production channel (ggH, VBF, VH, ttH)
- ATLAS already provided a reduced stage-1 set of measurements with the combination of  $H \rightarrow 4\ell$  and  $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ .



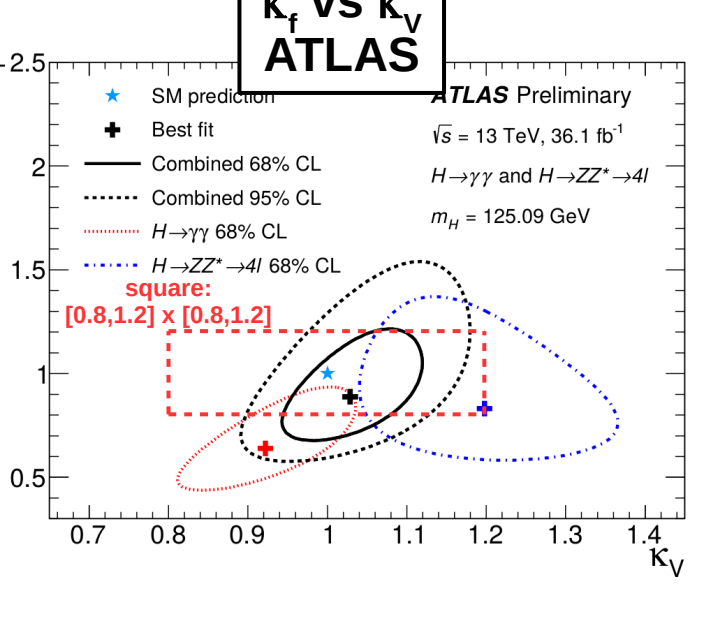
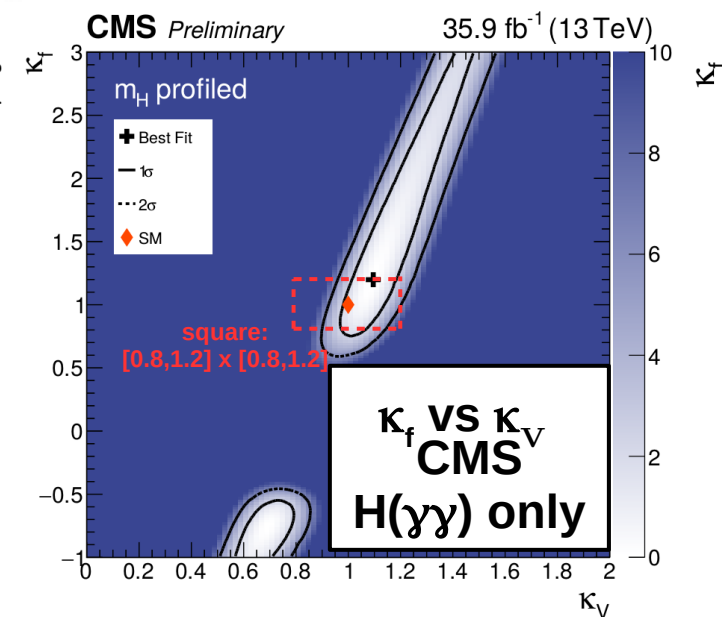
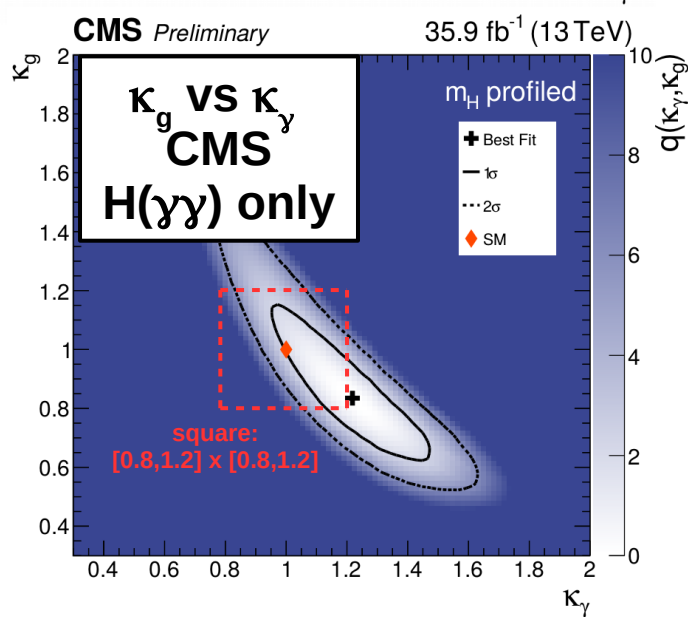
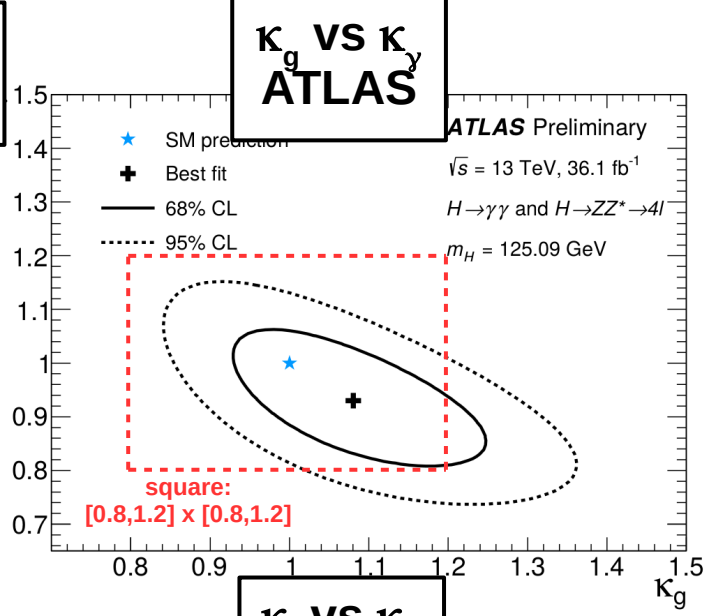
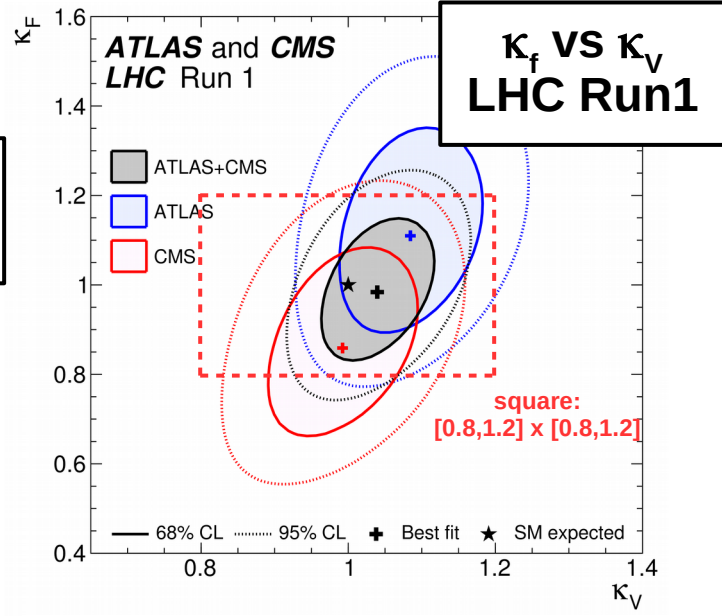
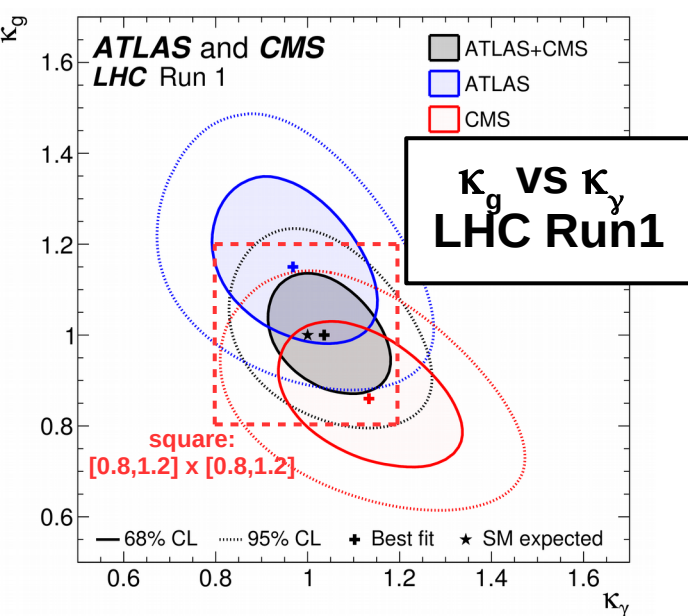
# Couplings

- The first measurements of the **coupling modifiers  $\kappa$**  at 13 TeV are available.
- Example:
  - fermionic vs bosonic couplings ( $\kappa_f$  vs  $\kappa_V$ );
  - loop couplings: photons vs gluons ( $\kappa_\gamma$  vs  $\kappa_g$ ).
- Compatible with SM within  $1\sigma$ .





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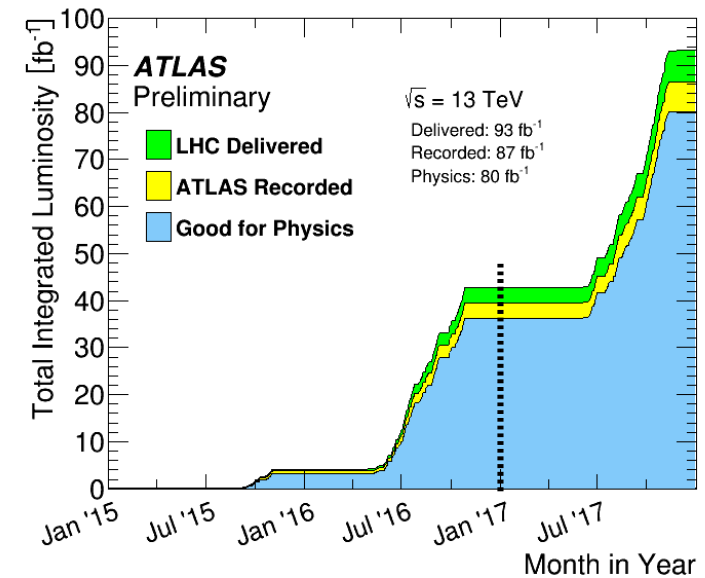
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- CMS and ATLAS collaborations published many important Higgs results in the last year.
  - single-experiment observation of  $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$ ;
  - evidence for  $H \rightarrow bb$  and  $ttH$ ;
  - new Higgs channel (eg. boosted  $H \rightarrow bb$ );
  - large improvement in  $H \rightarrow \mu\mu$ .
- $H \rightarrow 4\ell$  and  $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$  are now channels for precision measurements
  - differential cross sections, and couplings.
- All results have been obtained using 2015-16 data ( $36 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ ):
  - LHC doubled the integrated luminosity in 2017 and even more luminosity is expected in 2018.
- Many more results are expected in the next months/years!

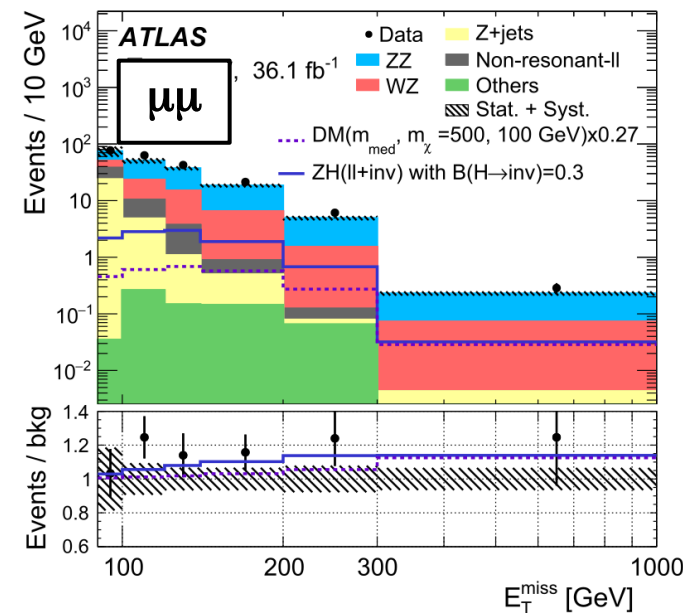
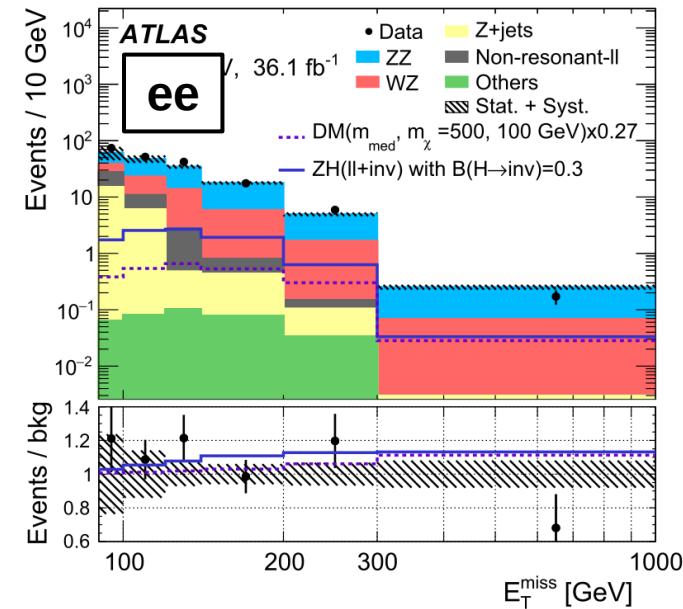


**Thank you for your attention!**

**Backup**

# ZH $\rightarrow$ invisible

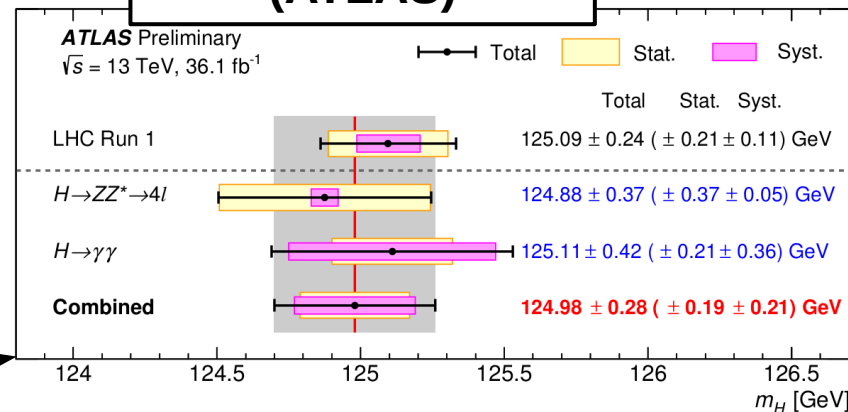
- H  $\rightarrow$  invisible decay can be enhanced by New Physics (eg. **dark matter**).
  - SM prediction  $\text{BR}(H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow \text{inv.}) \sim 10^{-3}$
- Analysis performed in **Z( $\ell\ell$ )H(inv.)** channel.
- Main backgrounds :
  - **Diboson**: estimated by simulation and scaled by a data-driven scale factor
  - **Z+jets**, non-resonant( $\ell\ell$ ) : estimated by data.
- **Results on  $\text{BR}(H \rightarrow \text{inv.})$** :
  - upper limit 67% (exp. 39%).





# Mass

## Mass combination (ATLAS)



- Measurement of the Higgs mass and width.
- ATLAS:
  - combination  $H(\gamma\gamma)$  with  $H(4\ell)$ ;
  - combination with LHC Run-1.

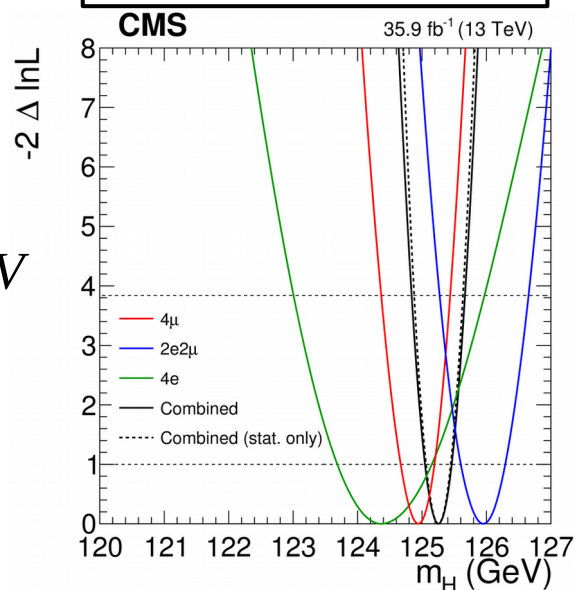
- CMS:

- only  $H(4\ell)$  available:

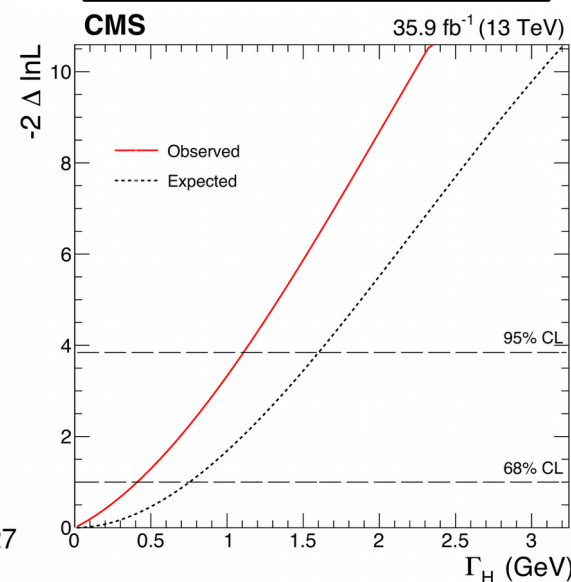
$$m_H = 125.26 \pm 0.20(\text{stat}) \pm 0.08(\text{syst}) \text{ GeV}$$

$$\Gamma_H < 1.10 \text{ GeV} (95\% \text{ CL})$$

## Mass $H(\gamma\gamma)$ (CMS)



## Mass $H(4\ell)$ (CMS)



# H $\rightarrow$ bb (History)

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- Significance @125 GeV (expected):

- CDF:  $\sim 2.8\sigma$  ( $\sim 1.5\sigma$ )
- ATLAS:  $1.7\sigma$  ( $2.7\sigma$ ) – Run-1  
 $3.5\sigma$  ( $3.0\sigma$ ) – Run-2  
 $3.6\sigma$  ( $4.0\sigma$ ) – Run-1+Run-2
- ATLAS:  $2.0\sigma$  ( $2.5\sigma$ ) – Run-1  
 $3.3\sigma$  ( $2.8\sigma$ ) – Run-2  
 $3.8\sigma$  ( $3.8\sigma$ ) – Run-1+Run-2

