

SMEFT Treatment for the Higgs Boson with the ATLAS Experiment

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Precision Program for the Higgs

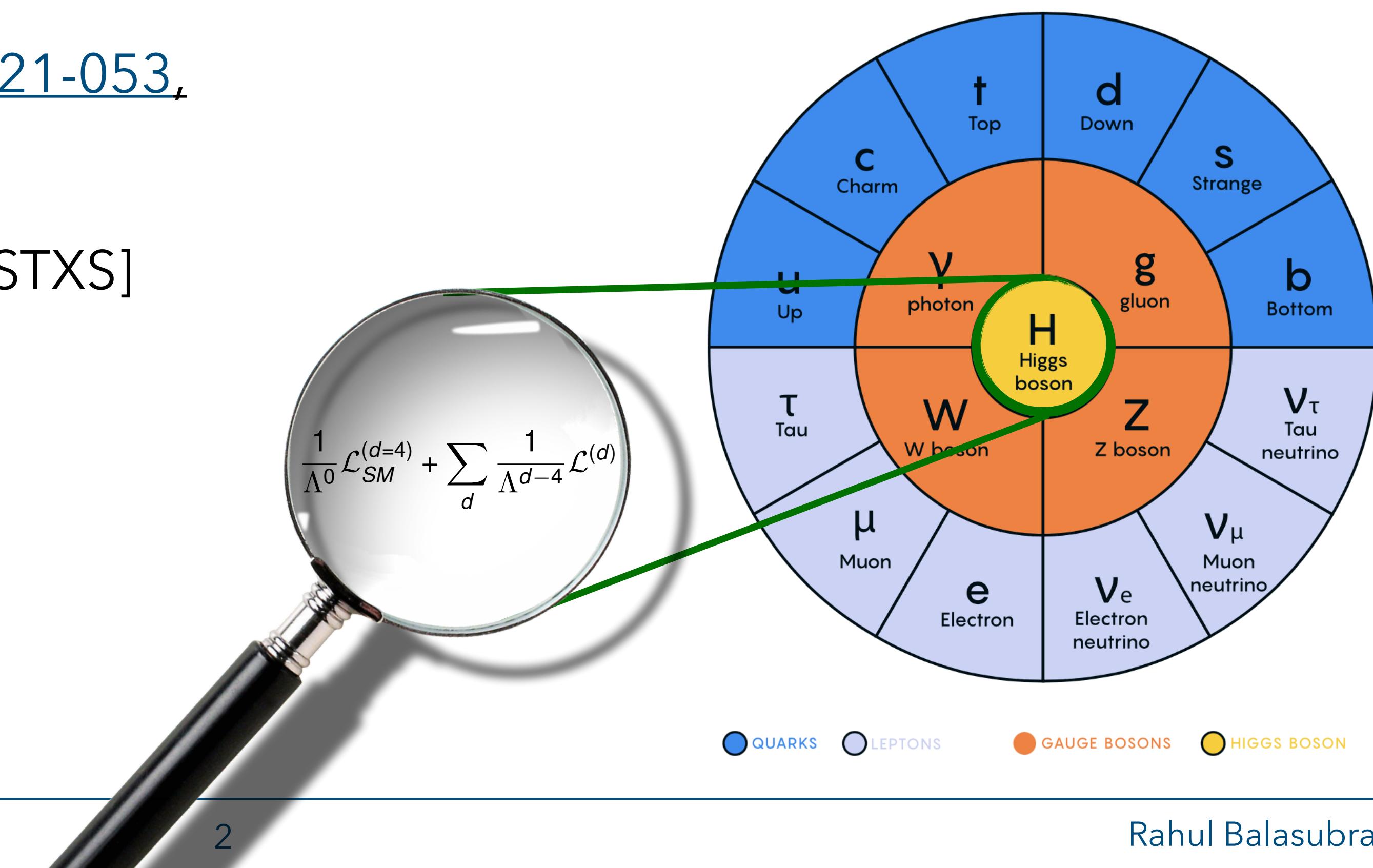
LHC Run-2 commences **precision program** of Higgs boson with ATLAS experiment

Differential Higgs cross-sections measurements provide valuable kinematic information

The **Standard Model Effective Field Theory** (SMEFT) provides a theoretically consistent framework to interpret these measurement in terms of new physical parameters

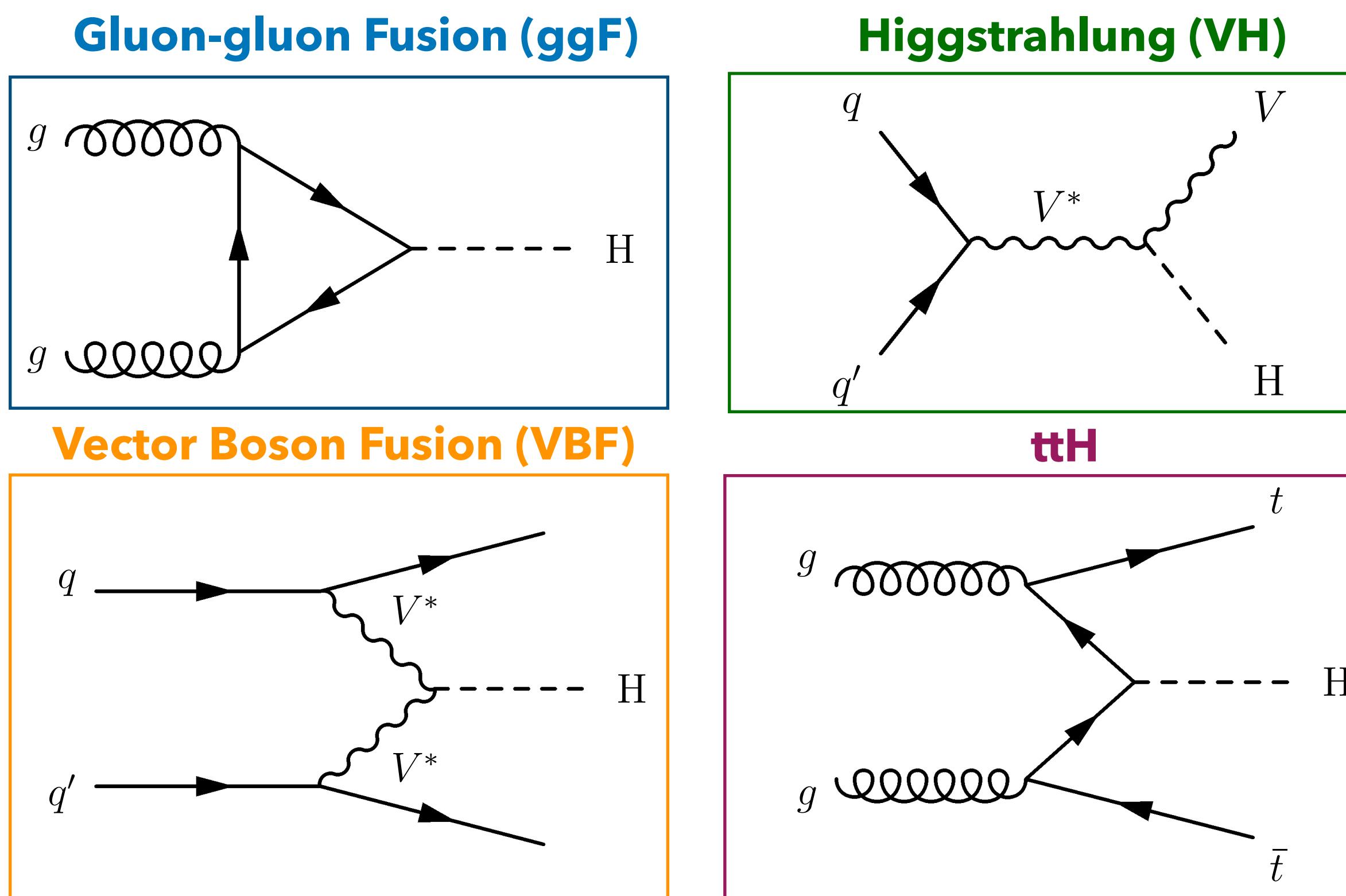
Today's talk based on [ATLAS-CONF-2021-053](#),

- ◆ Higgs kinematic properties with Simplified Template Cross Sections [STXS]
- ◆ Introduction to SMEFT framework
- ◆ Interpreting Higgs measurements in SMEFT framework

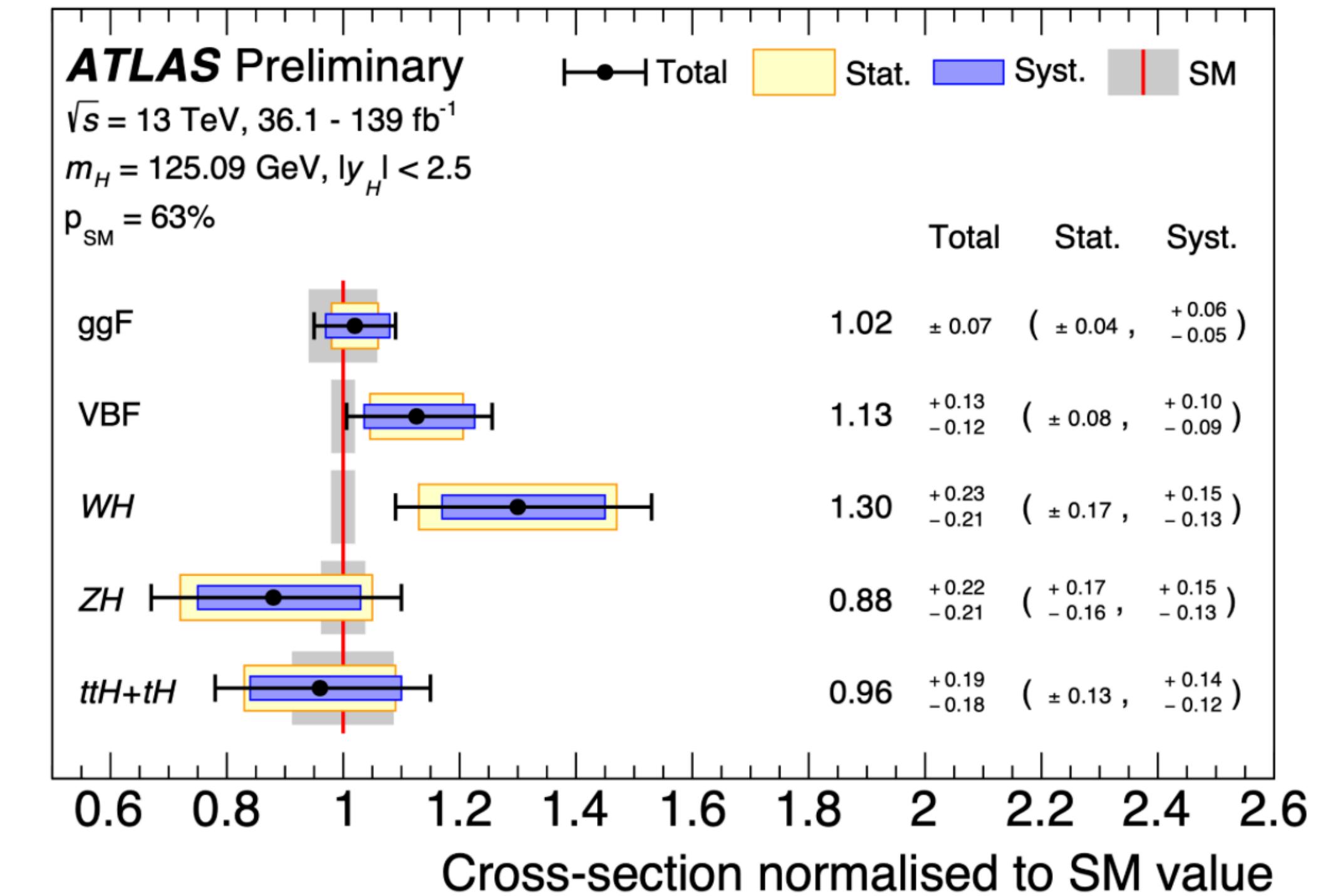


Inclusive Picture of Higgs Production

The **five major SM Higgs production modes** have been measured with **O(10-20)% precision**



Measured cross-section for each production mode



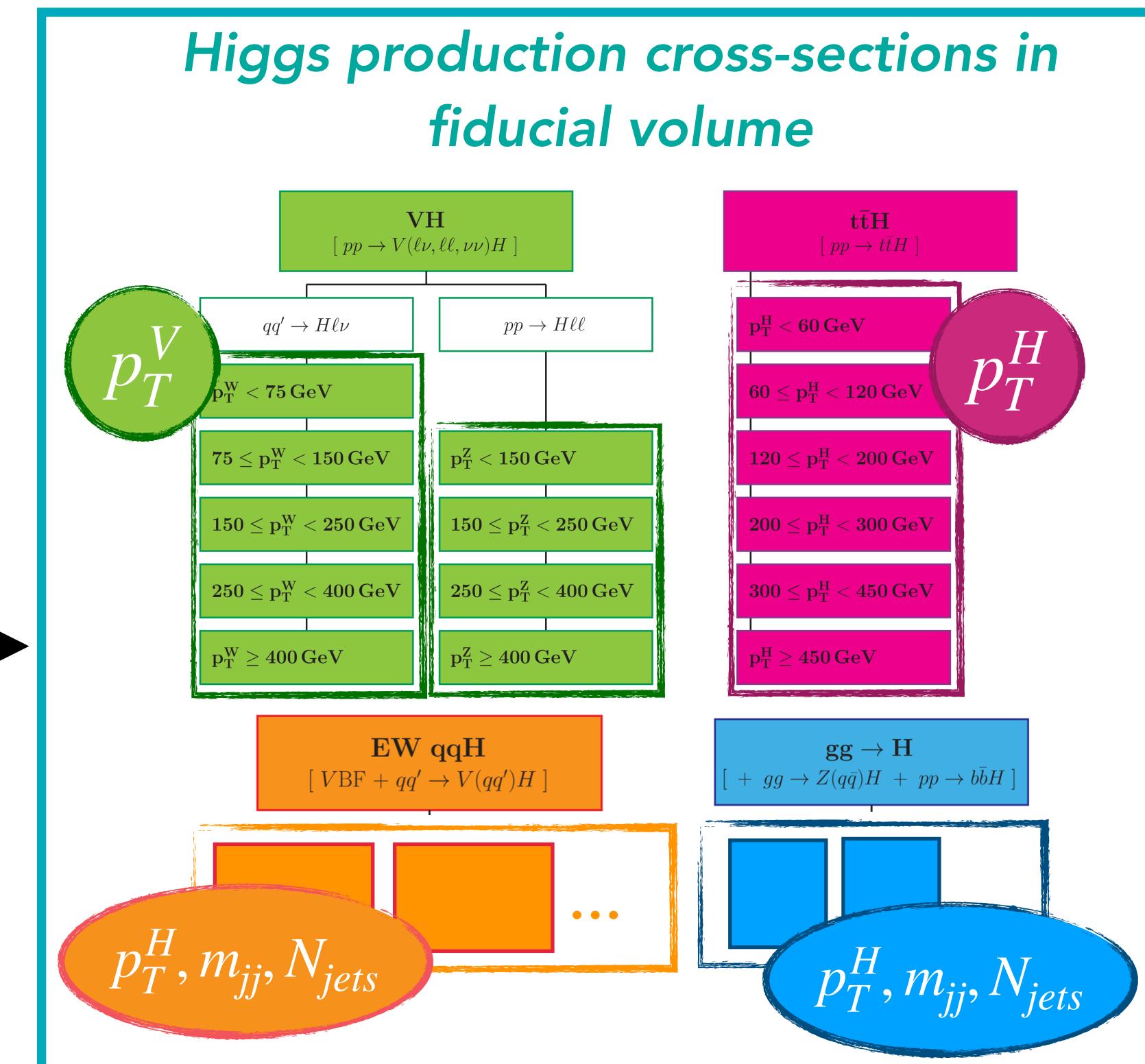
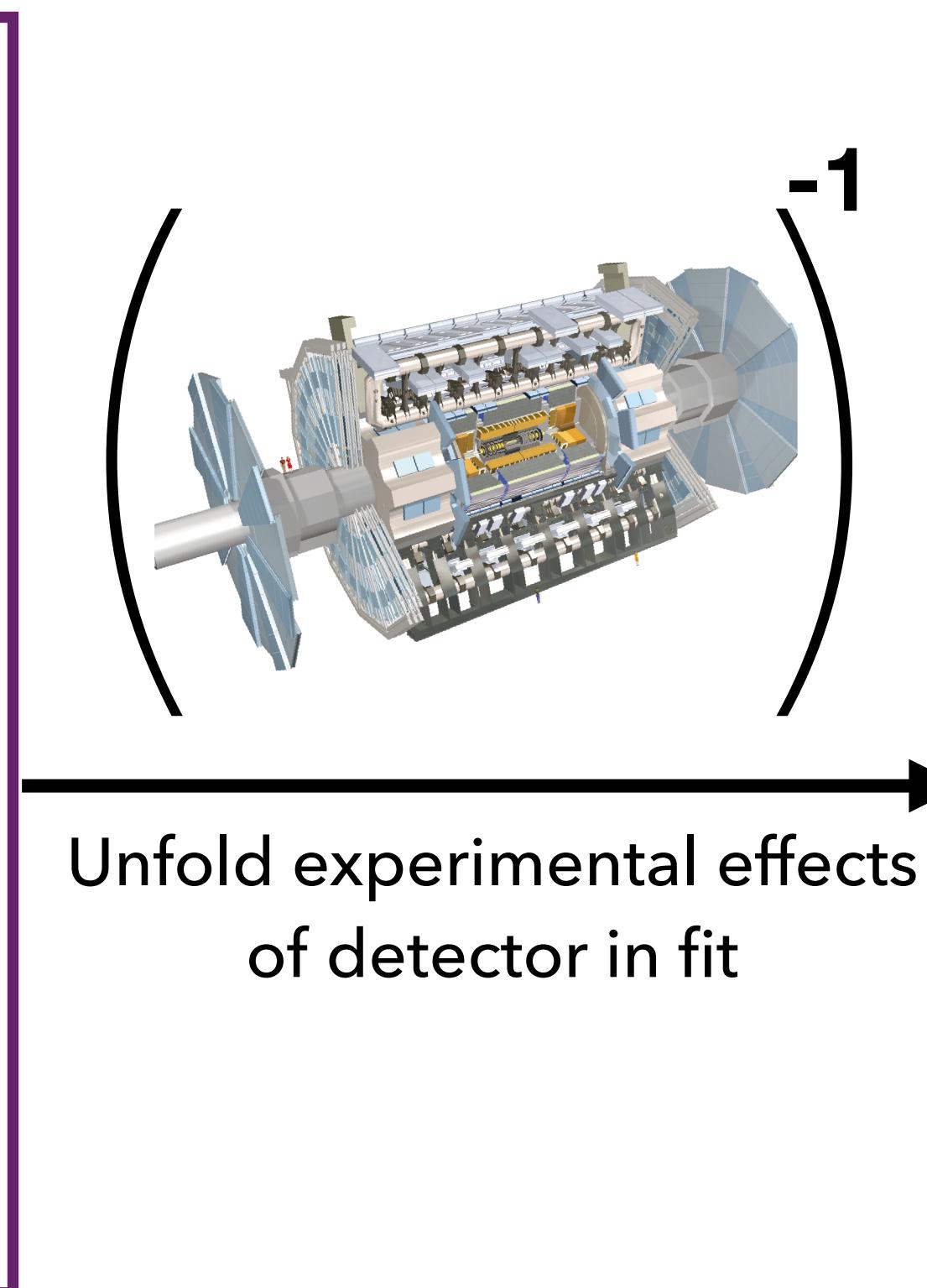
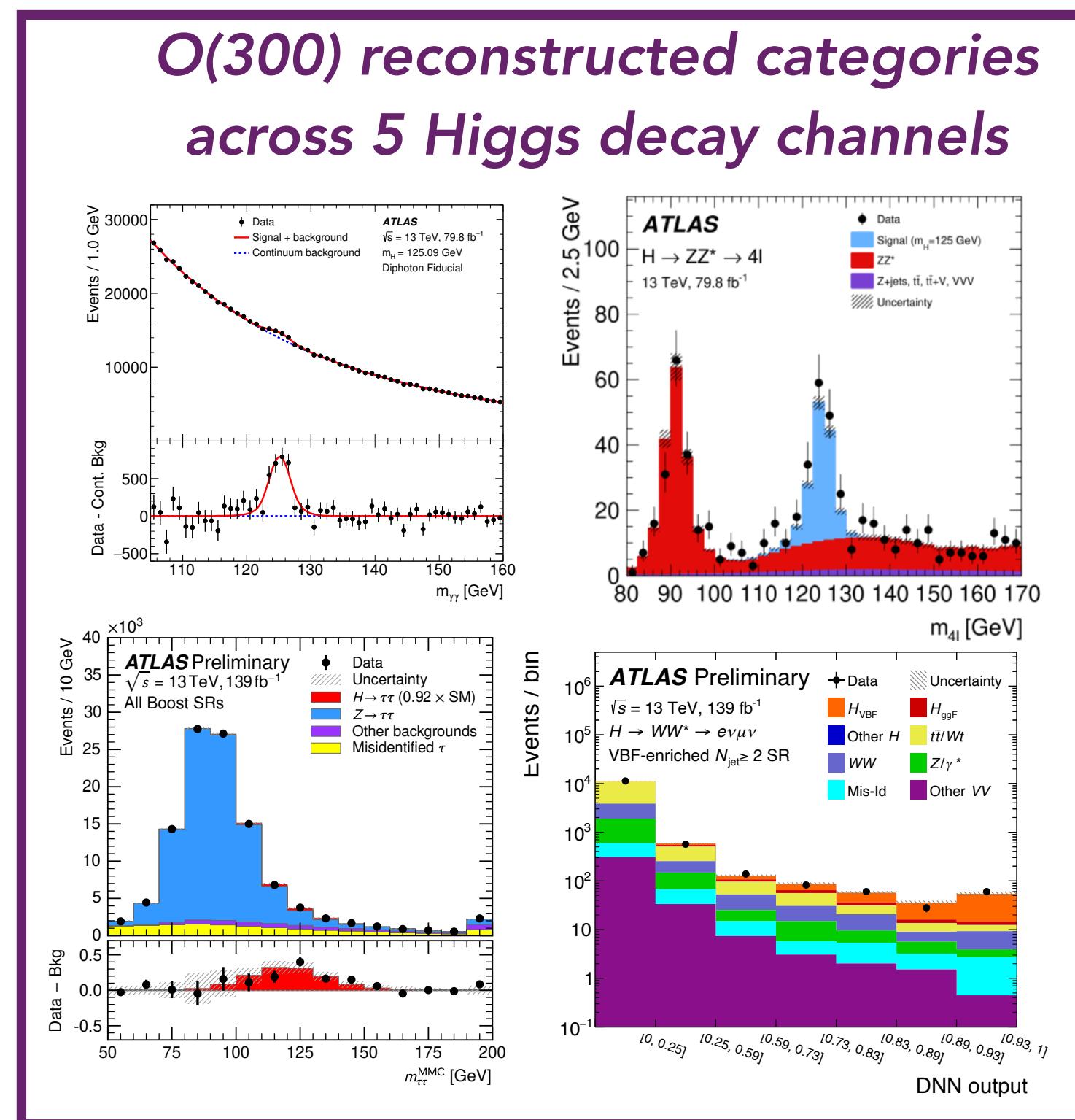
Inclusive cross-section probe only changes to overall rate, no info. of underlying distributions

With Run-2 dataset, for the first time, we can measure **differential information** across all major Higgs production modes

Kinematics with simplified template cross-sections

STXS framework - fiducial bins to measure kinematic properties across decay channels

Kinematic regions help isolate BSM effects (typically tails of distributions)



SMEFT interpretation done at the level STXS, **no detector-level SMEFT simulation** required

Full systematic modelling from **experimental and theoretical sources** used

Measurements of Higgs kinematics

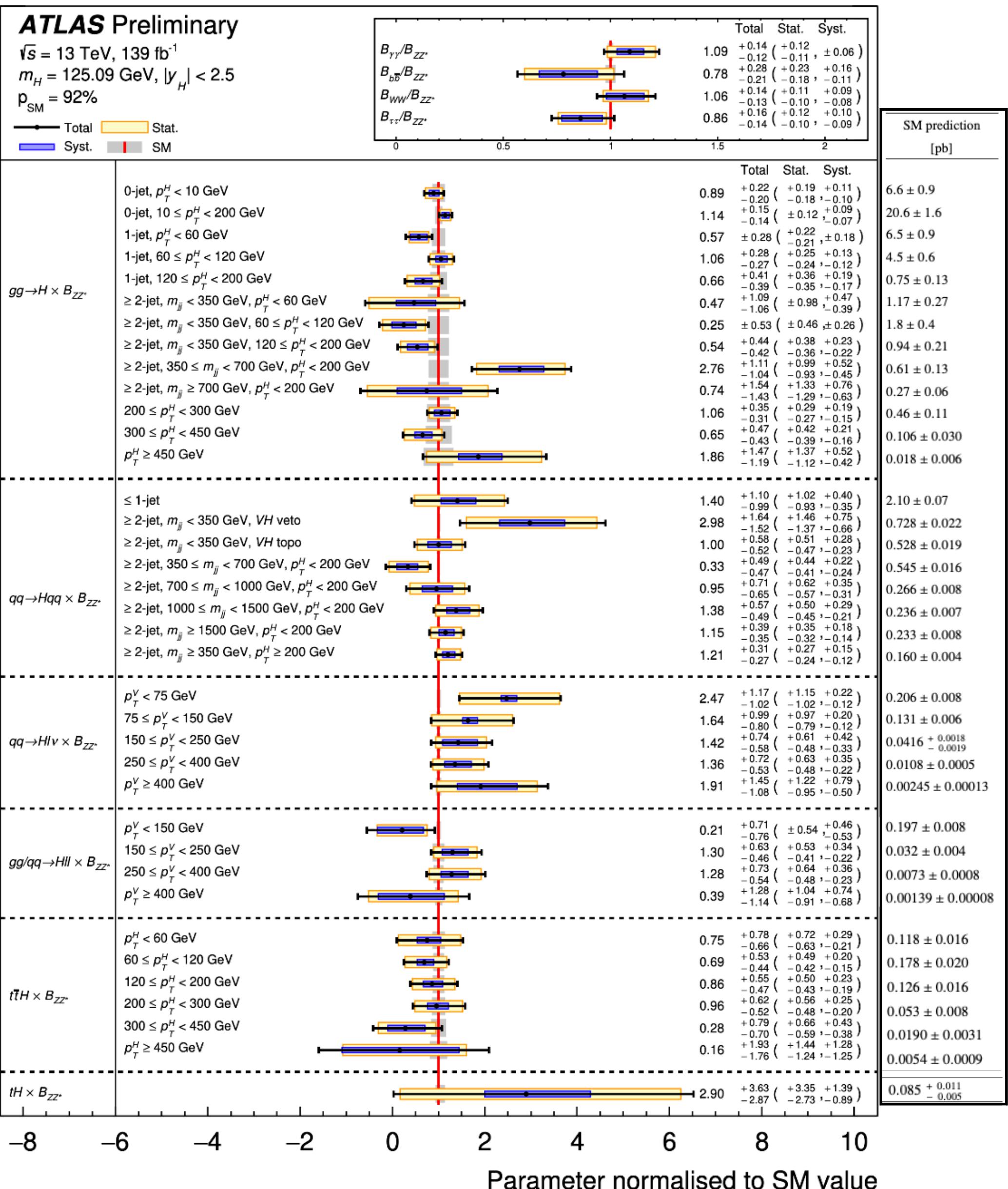
Decay channel	Target Production Modes	$\mathcal{L} [\text{fb}^{-1}]$
$H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$	ggF, VBF, WH, ZH, $t\bar{t}H$, tH	139
$H \rightarrow ZZ^*$	ggF, VBF, WH, ZH, $t\bar{t}H(4\ell)$	139
$H \rightarrow WW^*$	ggF, VBF	139
$H \rightarrow \tau\tau$	ggF, VBF, WH, ZH, $t\bar{t}H(\tau_{\text{had}}\tau_{\text{had}})$ $t\bar{t}H$	139 36.1
	WH, ZH	139
$H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$	VBF $t\bar{t}H$	126 139

→ New w.r.t to 2020 Higgs combination

Measure **37 kinematic bins** across 5 production modes using analyses of 5 major decay channels

Probe Higgs cross-sections ranging across 4 orders of magnitude !

Measurements are **statistically limited**



Standard Model Effective Field Theory

Taylor expansion of Lagrangian in terms of $\frac{E}{\Lambda}$ and $\frac{\text{vev}}{\Lambda}$, $\Lambda \rightarrow$ scale of new physics

$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{\Lambda^0} \mathcal{L}_{SM}^{(d=4)} + \frac{1}{\Lambda} \mathcal{L}^{(d=5)} + \frac{1}{\Lambda^2} \mathcal{L}^{(d=6)} + \dots = \mathcal{L}_{NP}$$

Effective Lagrangian

SM Lagrangian,
no information about Λ

Weinberg operator
corresponding to
majorana- ν mass

Leading contribution
for Higgs physics

Lagrangian with
new particles at Λ

$\mathcal{L}^{(d)} = \sum_i c_i \mathcal{O}_i^{(d)}$ all possible local interactions allowed by symmetries

$c_i \rightarrow$ **Wilson coefficients** - free parameters of model, using Warsaw basis here

2499 operators at $d=6$ with $\Delta L = \Delta B = 0$, **60 CP-even operators** with $U(3)^5$ flavour symmetry

Operators act as a basis to systematically classify heavy new physics signatures

SMEFT dependence of observables

SMEFT dependence parameterised as polynomials in wilson coefficients,

$$\sigma_{\text{SMEFT}} \sim |A_{\text{SMEFT}}|^2 = \left| \text{SM} \right|^2 + 2 \frac{c}{\Lambda^2} \text{Re} \left(\left(\text{Linear : SM} \times d=6 \text{ interference} \right) \times \left(\text{Quadratic : } (d=6)^2, \text{ missing SM} \times d=8 \text{ interference} \right) \right)$$

Only linear is considered for current results

Madgraph MC Predictions

- **SMEFTsim** to tree-level EFT contributions
- **SMEFTatNLO** for loop-induced QCD processes

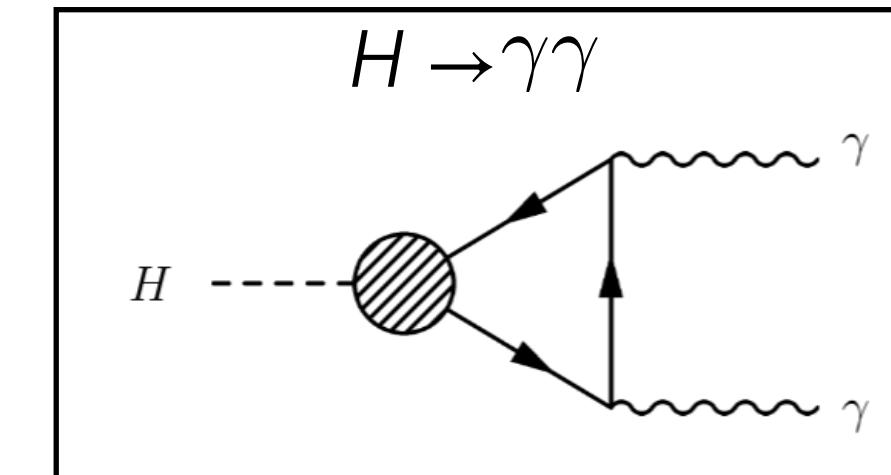
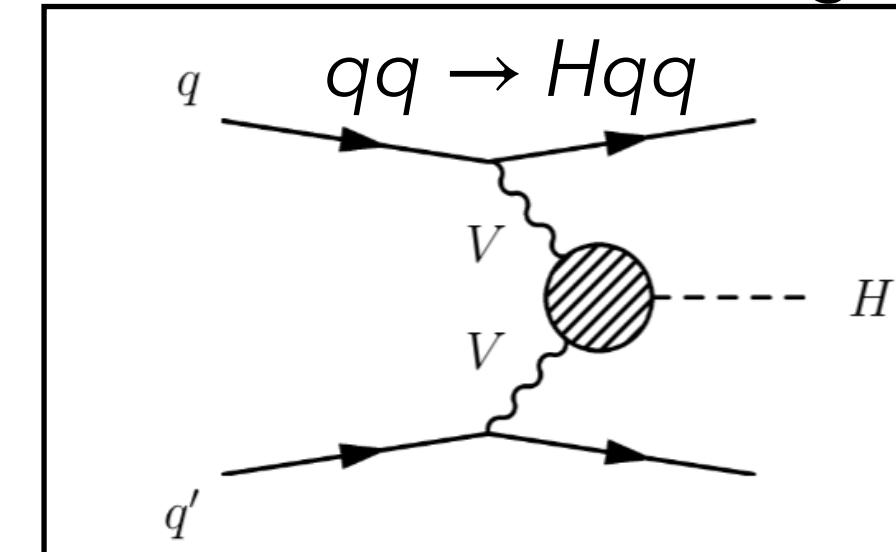
Analytic Prediction

- NLO EW calculation for $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ to resolve important loop contribution ([1807.11504](#))

Analysis Acceptance

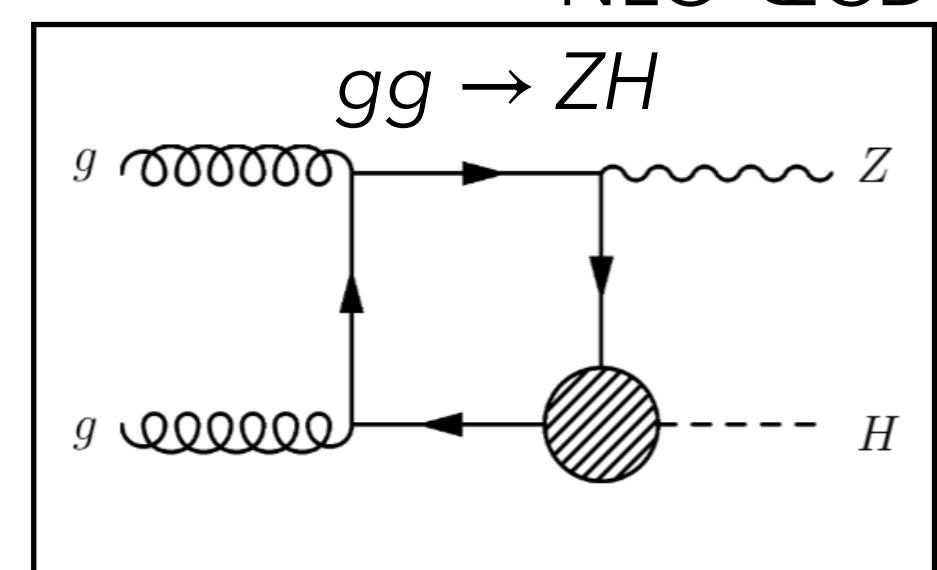
- Effect of analysis selections for 4-body Higgs decay

Tree-level insertion, eg,

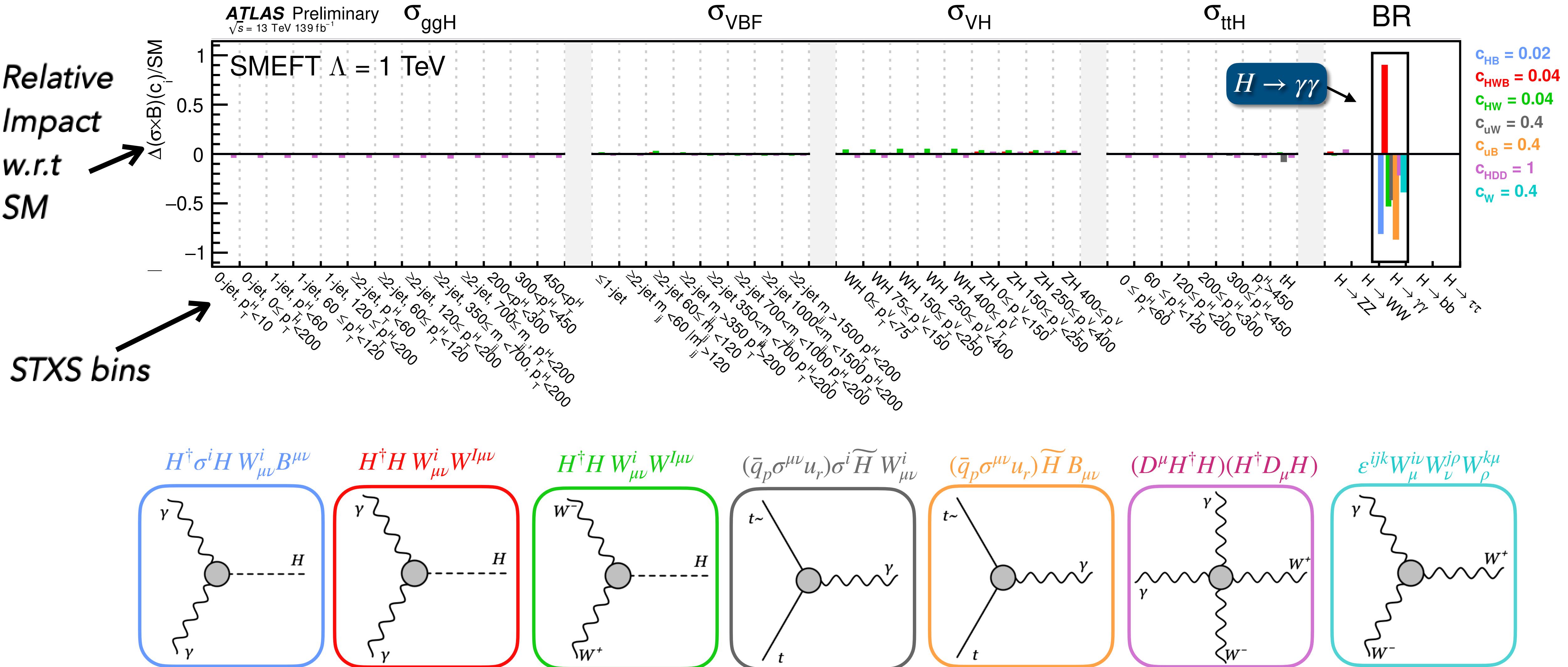


NLO-EW

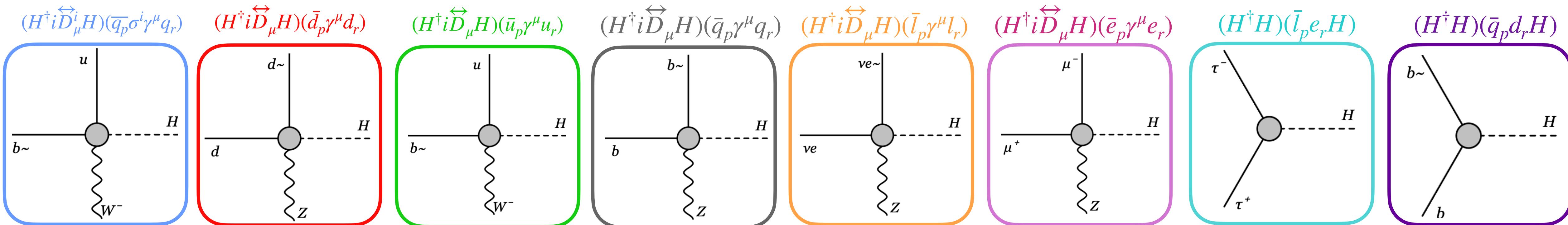
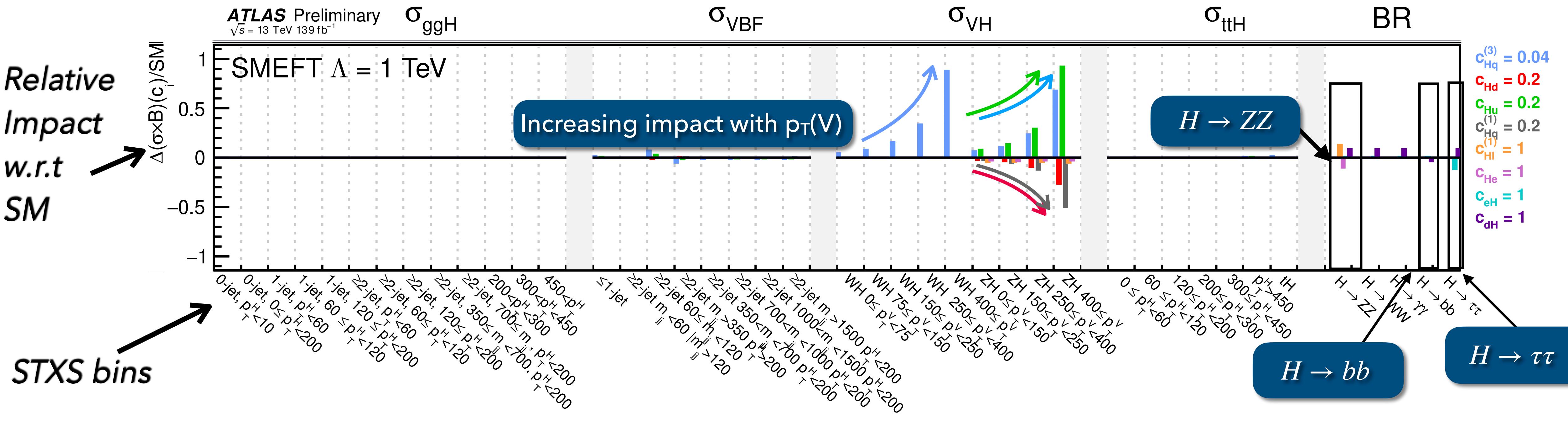
NLO-QCD



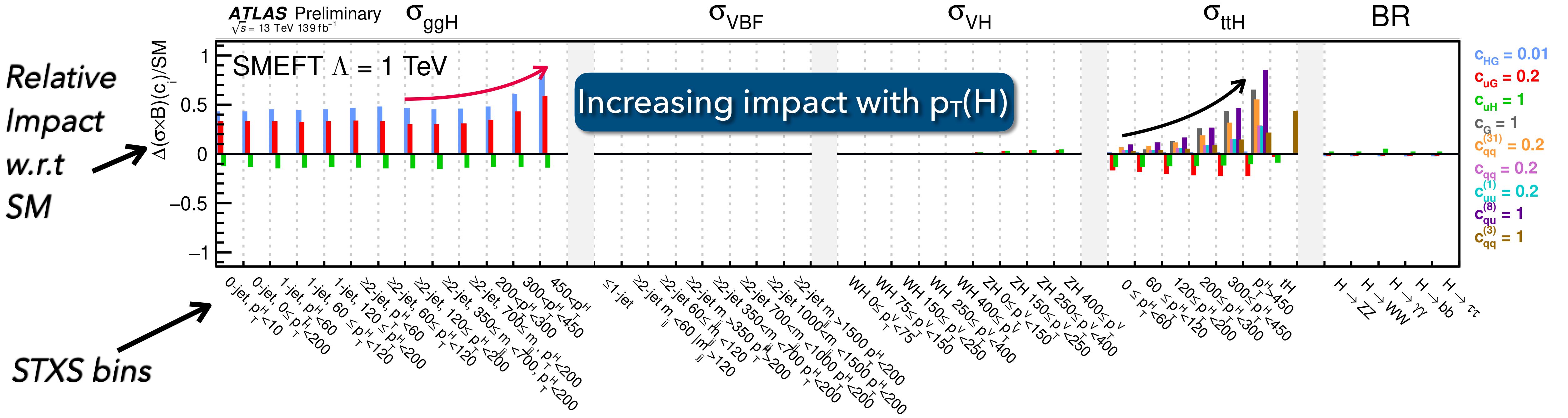
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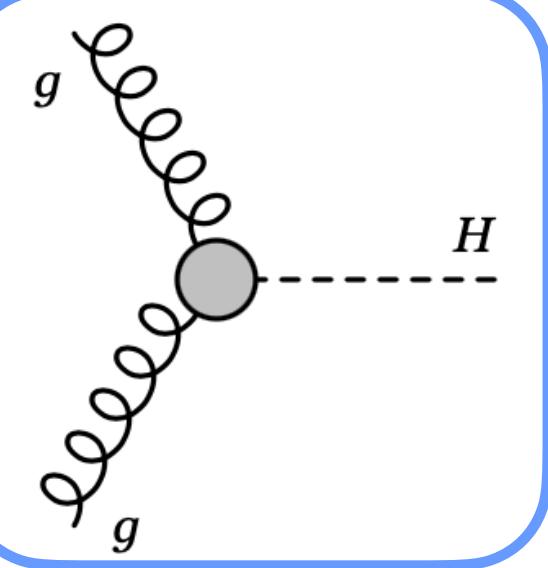
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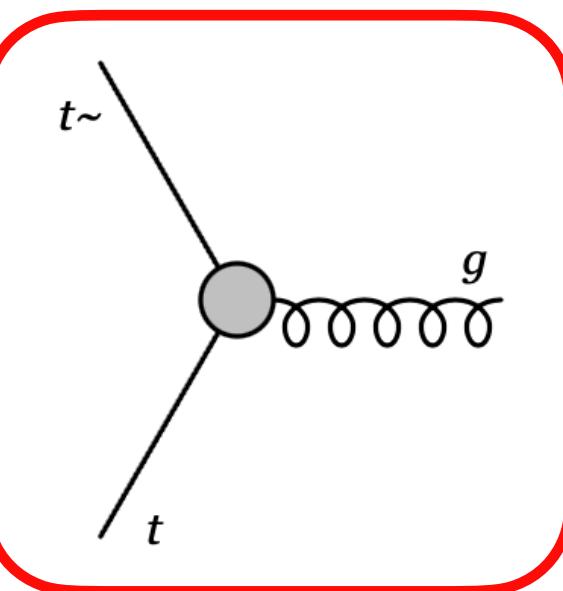
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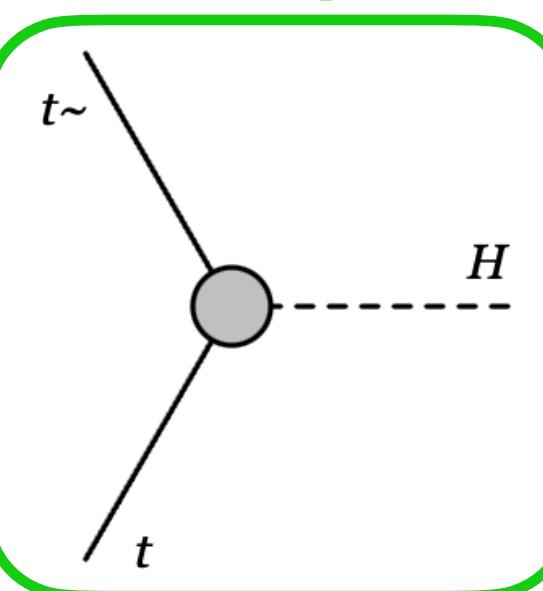
$$H^\dagger H G_\mu^a G^{a\mu\nu}$$



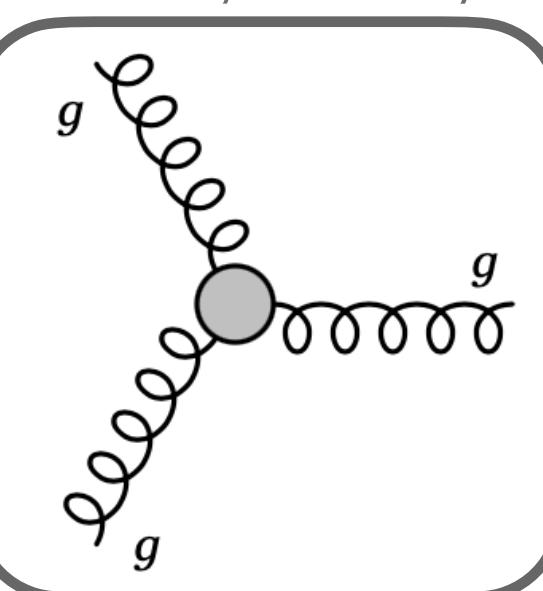
$$(\bar{q}_p \sigma^{\mu\nu} T^a u_r) \widetilde{H} G_\mu^a$$



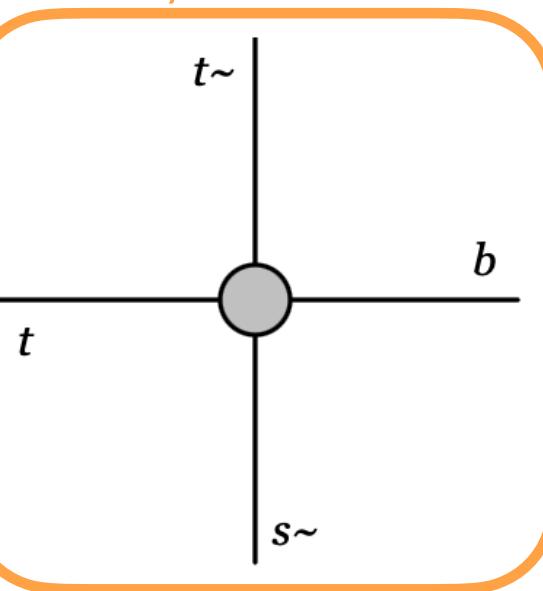
$$(H^\dagger H)(\bar{q}_p d_r H)$$



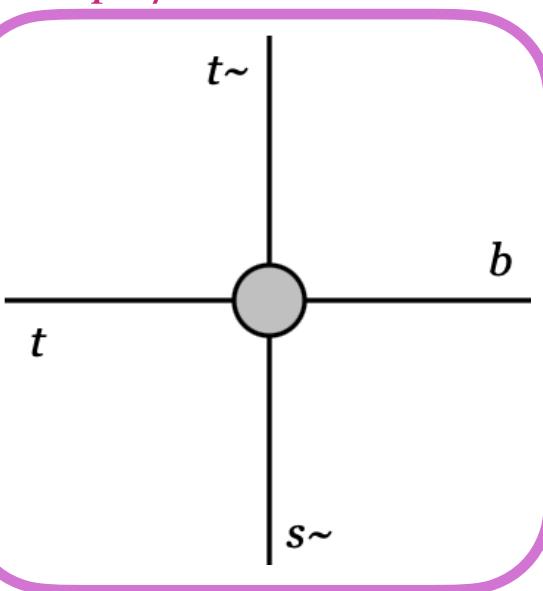
$$f^{abc} G_\mu^{a\nu} G_\nu^{b\rho} G_\rho^{c\mu}$$



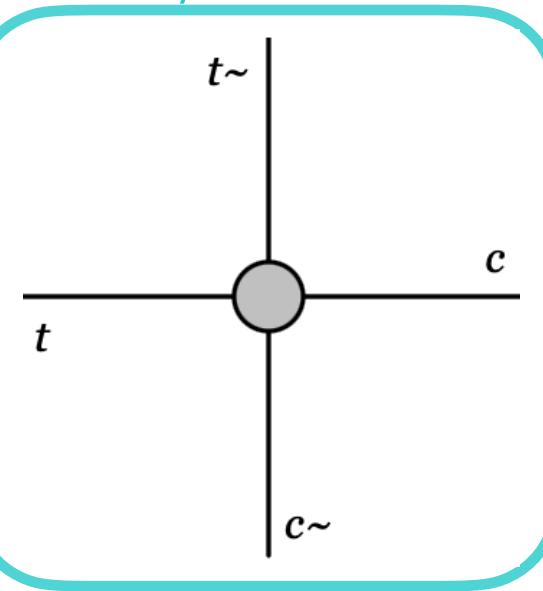
$$(\bar{q} \sigma^i \gamma_\mu q)(\bar{q} \sigma^i \gamma^\mu q)$$



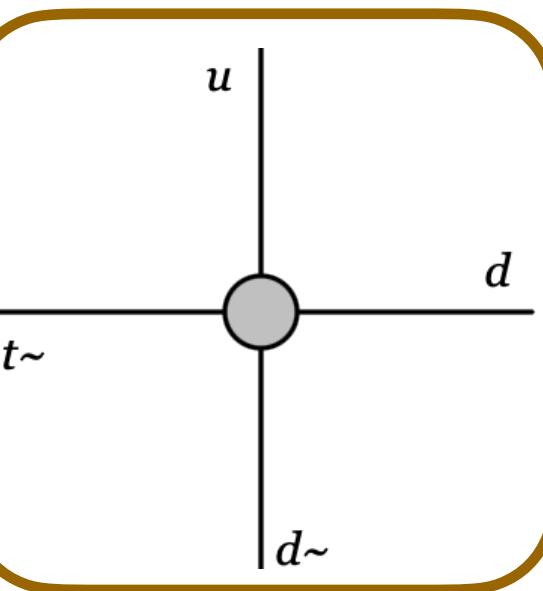
$$(\bar{q}_p \gamma_\mu q_r)(\bar{q}_s \gamma^\mu q_t)$$



$$(\bar{u} \gamma_\mu u)(\bar{u} \gamma^\mu u)$$

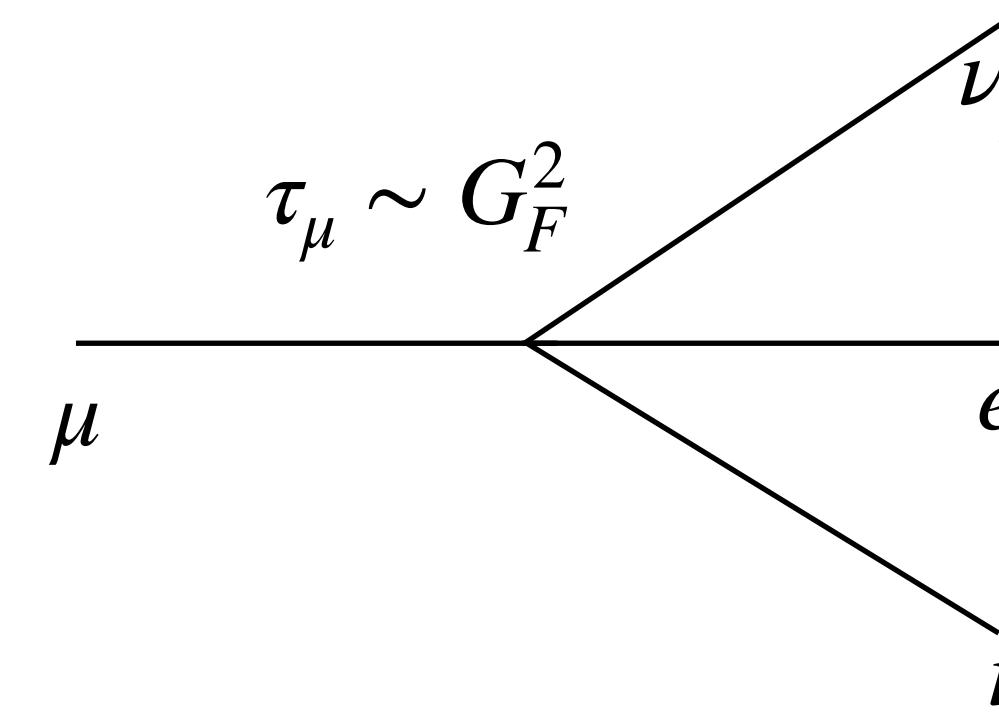
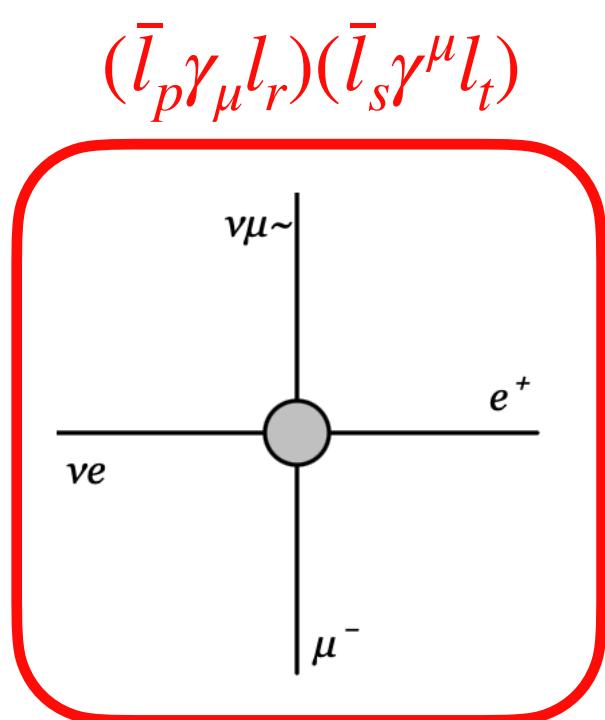
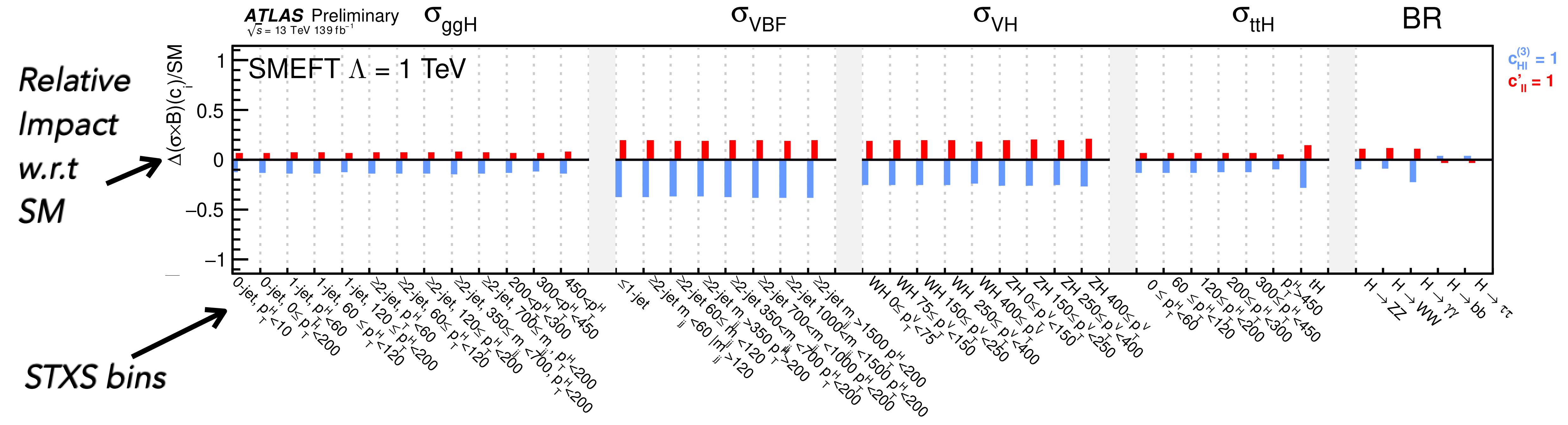


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Example vertices using [SMEFTsim](#)

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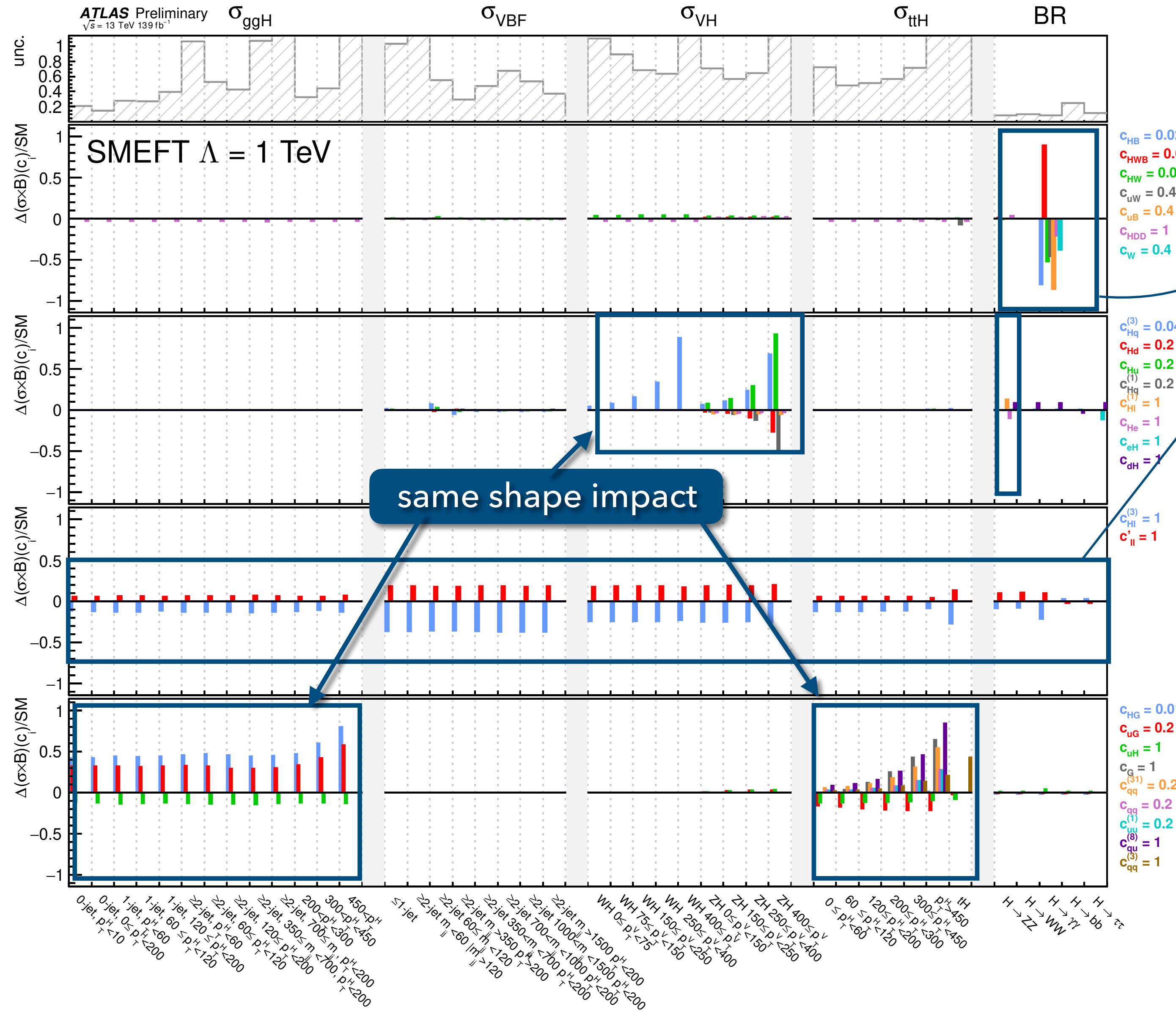


[2012.11343]
Modification to Fermi Constant affecting g_{EW} , shift estimated from muon decay width in SMEFT

$$G_F = G_F^{SM} + \sqrt{2} c_{Hl^{(3)}} - \frac{c_{ll}}{\sqrt{2}}$$

Example vertices using [SMEFTsim](#)

All operators at a glance,



Many operators have similar impact
affect inclusive observables
appear as overall normalisation
same shape across bins

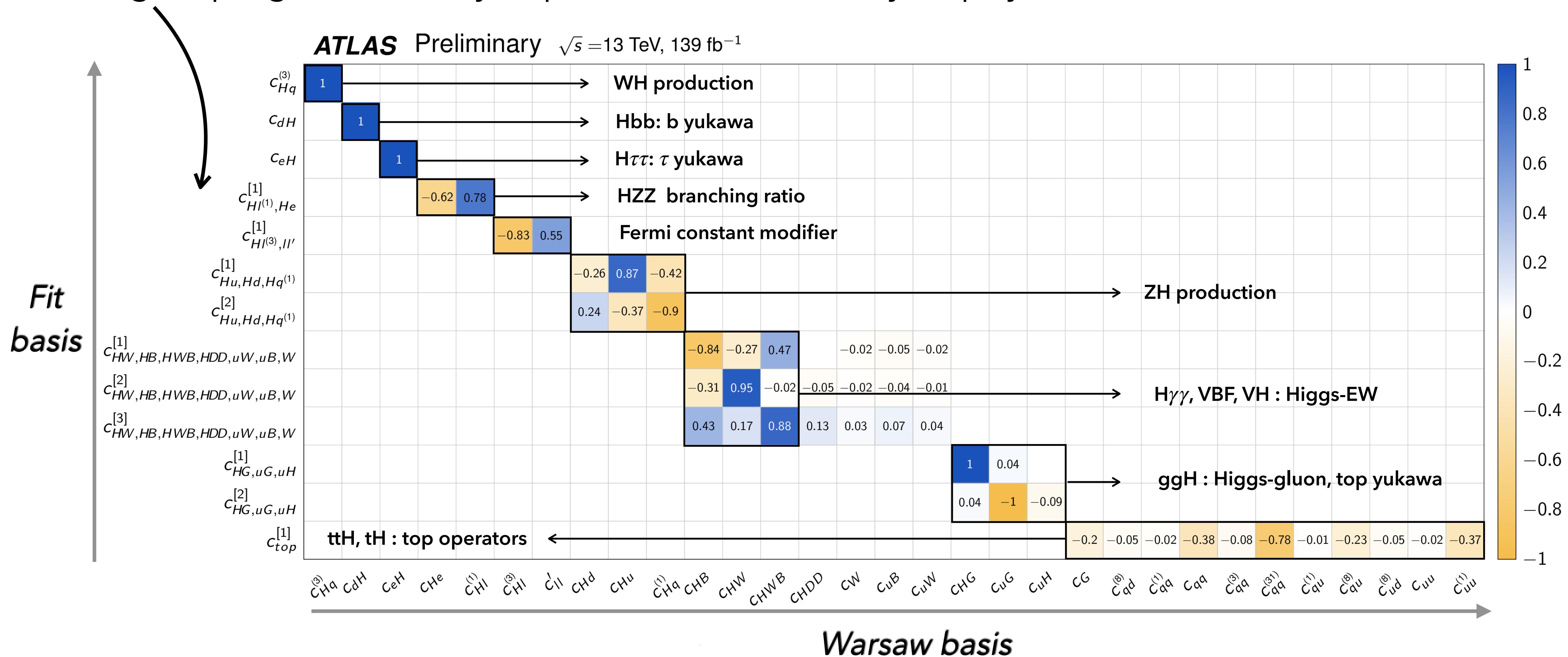
Not enough information in
measurements to constrain
all EFT parameters !

Principal Component Analysis of
Fisher information to identify
sensitive directions

Fit basis definition

Fit basis defined with **PCA in operator groups** - fit only sensitive components, rest fixed to SM

Operator grouping dictated by experimental sensitivity to physics



SMEFT results

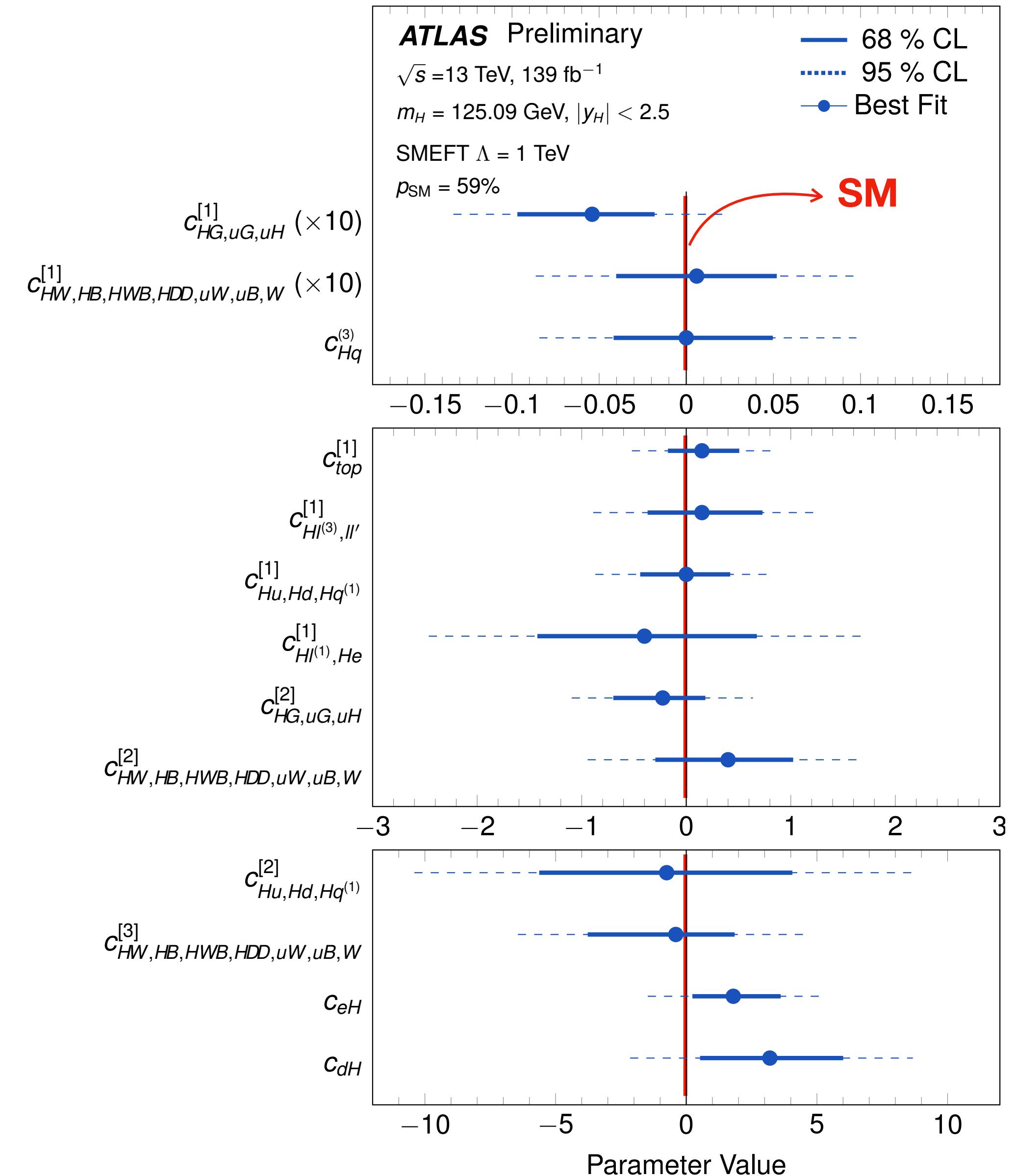
Limits obtained from **simultaneously measuring**
3 linear combination of wilson coefficients

No strong tensions with the SM, 59% compatibility
w.r.t SM

Different models of BSM physics lead to different
patterns of deviations

Limits provide a proxy to the **allowed scale of New
Physics** in the relevant processes

$$c_{Hq}^{(3)} < 0.1 \rightarrow \frac{\Lambda}{\sqrt{c_{Hq}^{(3)}}} > 3 \text{ TeV}$$



Outlook

Differential measurements of Higgs production gives **access to new kinematical information, improvement in statistics and kinematic splits with Run-3 and beyond**

SMEFT becoming the standard interpretation method for Higgs STXS measurements, evolution of the κ framework

Lot of work ongoing both in terms of analysis design and theoretical considerations to uncover SMEFT effects in current data

SMEFT is global, provides an **unifying framework** to interpret measurements consistently across **different sectors and experiments**

Thanks for your attention !

