

Latest status of the Higgs measurement  
with the ATLAS detector



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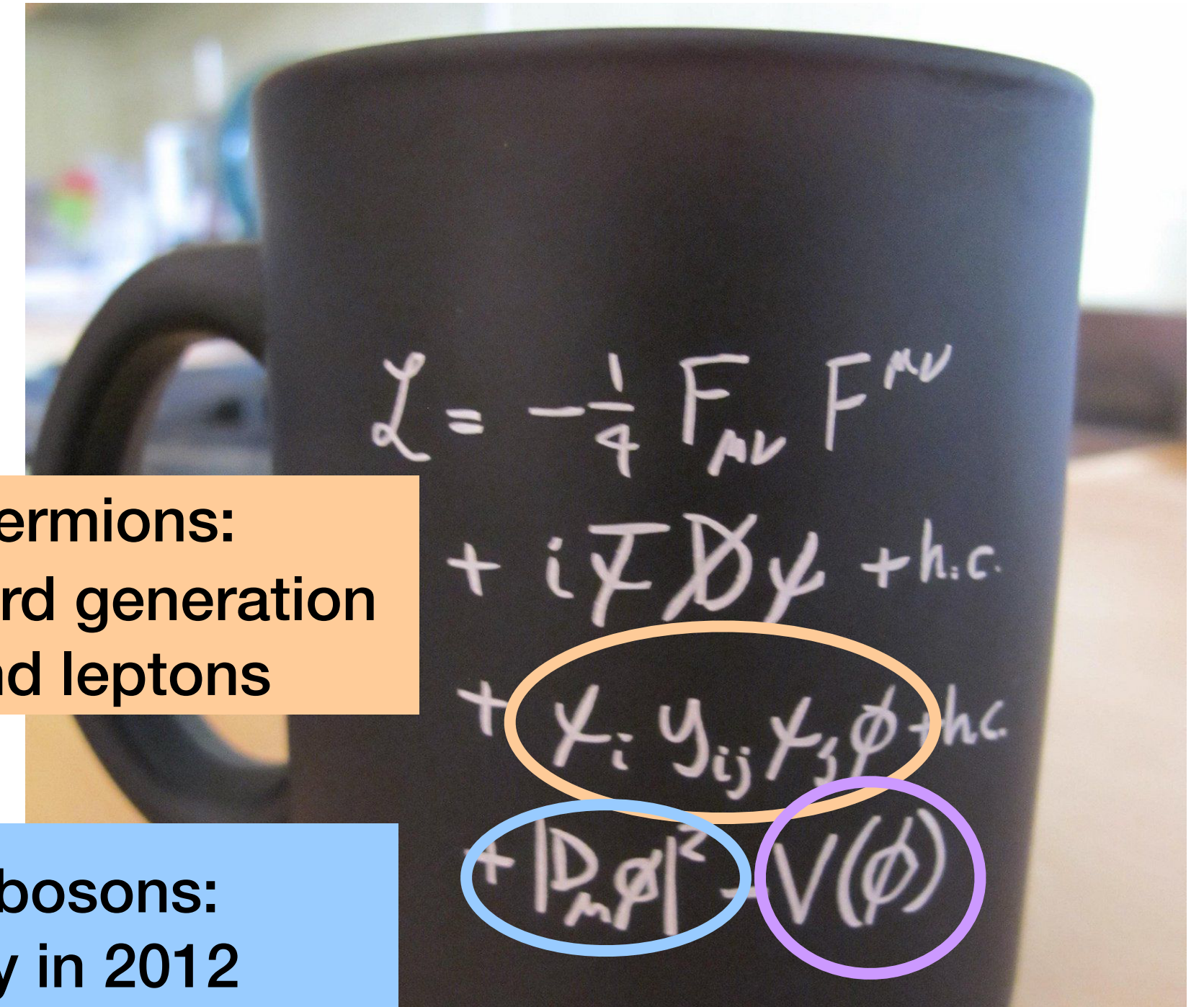
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# Introduction

- A central feature of the SM is the existence of a spineless quantum field that permeates the universe and gives mass to massive elementary particles
- One of main goals of particle physics is testing the existence and properties of the Higgs boson
- Three types of interactions (“couplings”) between Higgs and massive particles:
  - Gauge couplings to the mediator of the weak force, the W and Z bosons
  - The Yukawa interaction to fermions
  - “Self-couplings” of the Higgs to itself
- Experimental determination of these couplings
  - A powerful test of nature of Higgs
  - A possible portal to new physics (coupling structure)



**Higgs to fermions:  
2nd and 3rd generation  
Quarks and leptons**

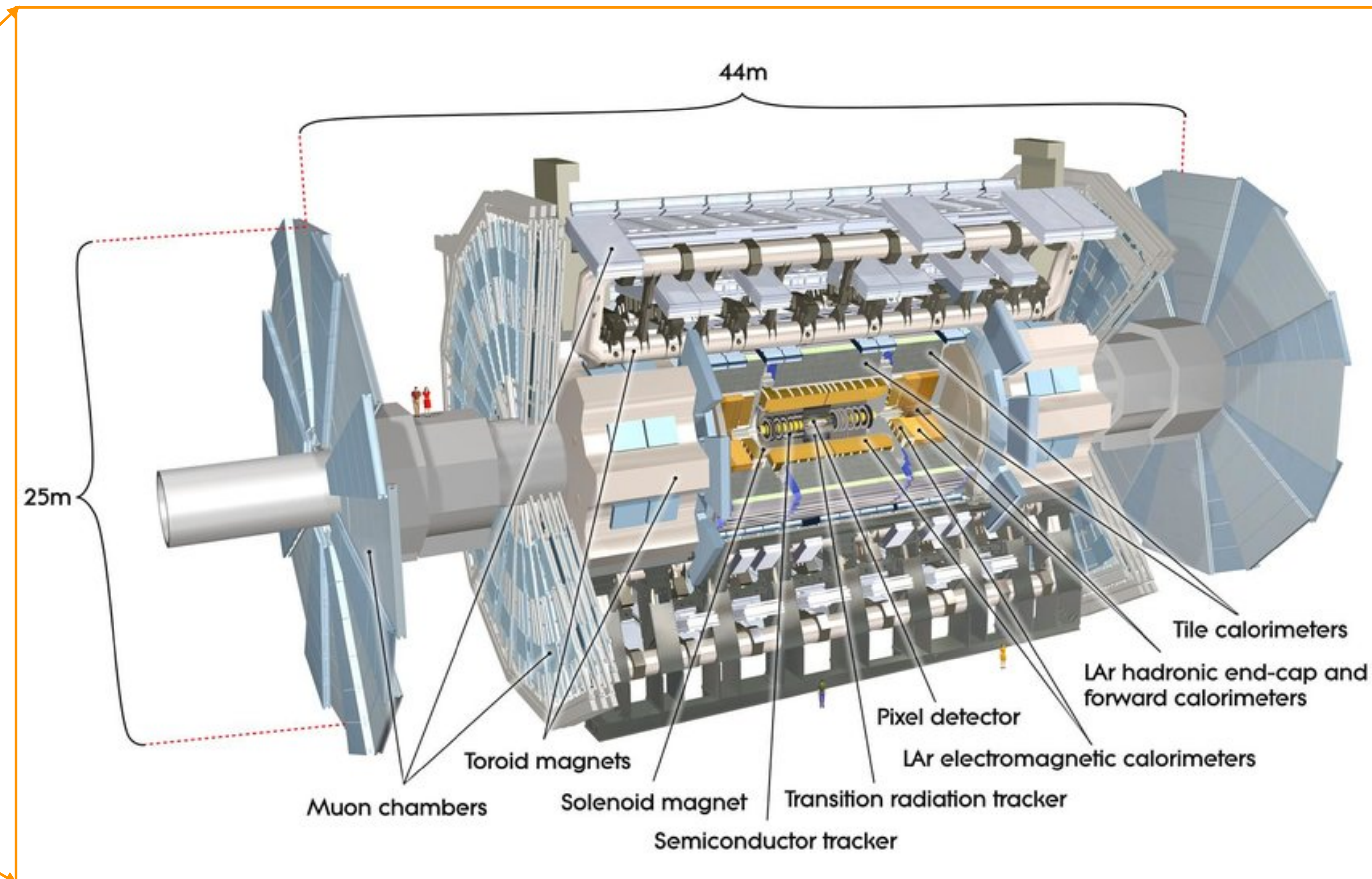
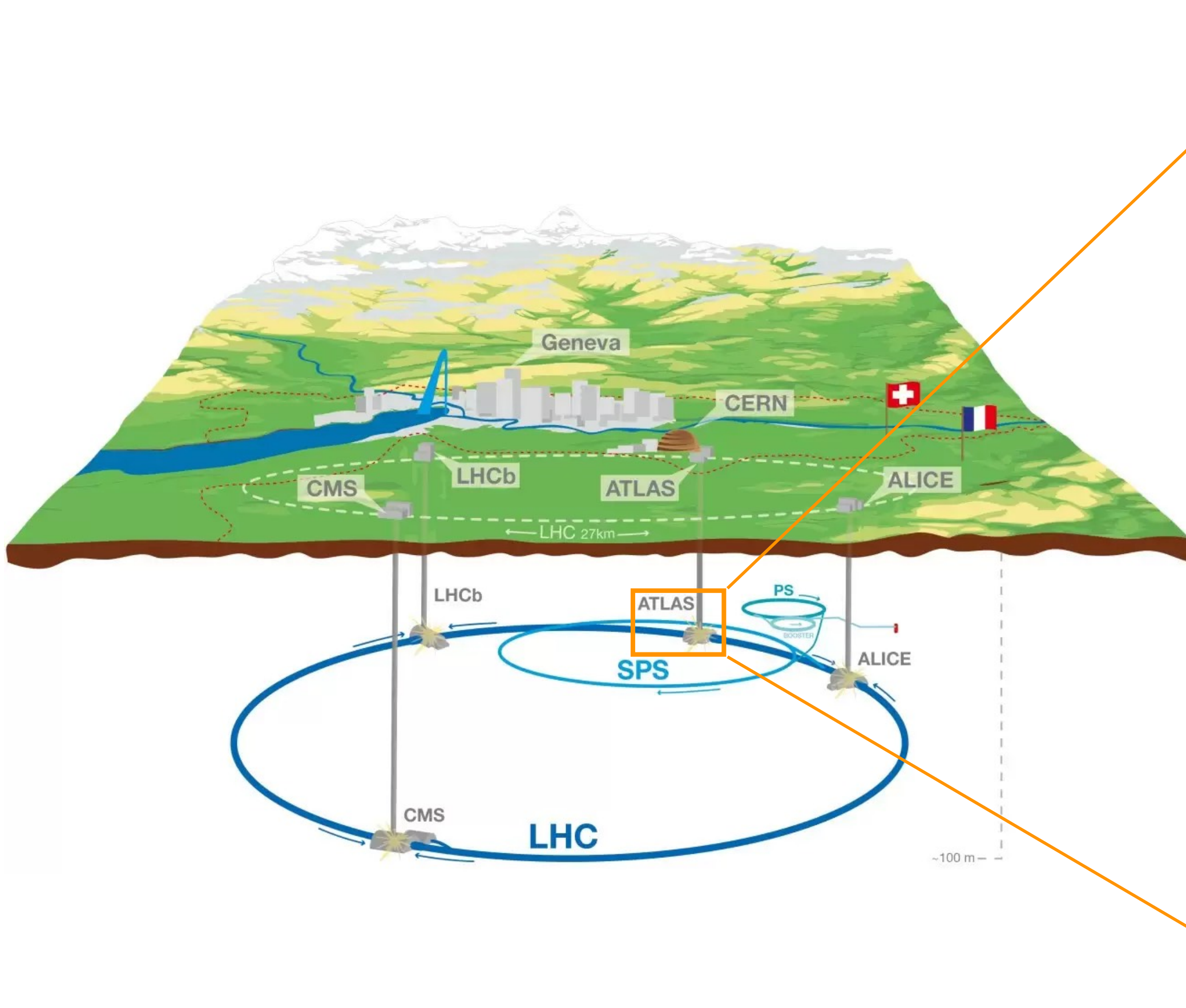
**Higgs to bosons:  
Discovery in 2012  
Evidence of BHE EW  
symmetry breaking**

**Higgs self-coupling:  
trilinear coupling is  
directly accessible  
through Higgs boson pair  
production**

**Higgs to invisible:  
Higgs coupling to  
neutrinos or dark  
matter?**



# LHC and ATLAS detector



The world's largest and highest-energy particle collider.

The one of two general-purpose detectors at the LHC



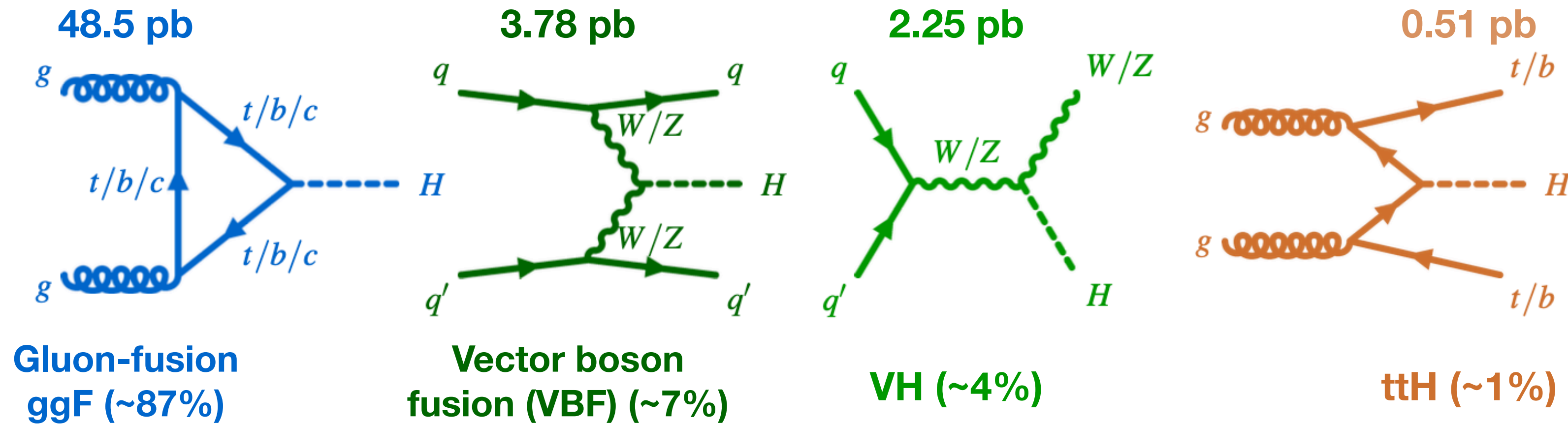
# A new schedule for the LHC and its successor



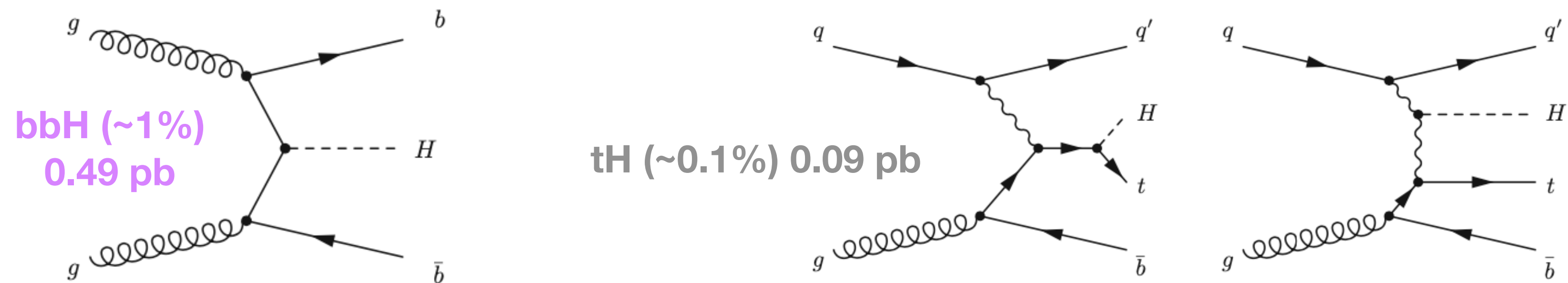


# SM Higgs boson production at LHC

**Main**



**Difficult/Rare**

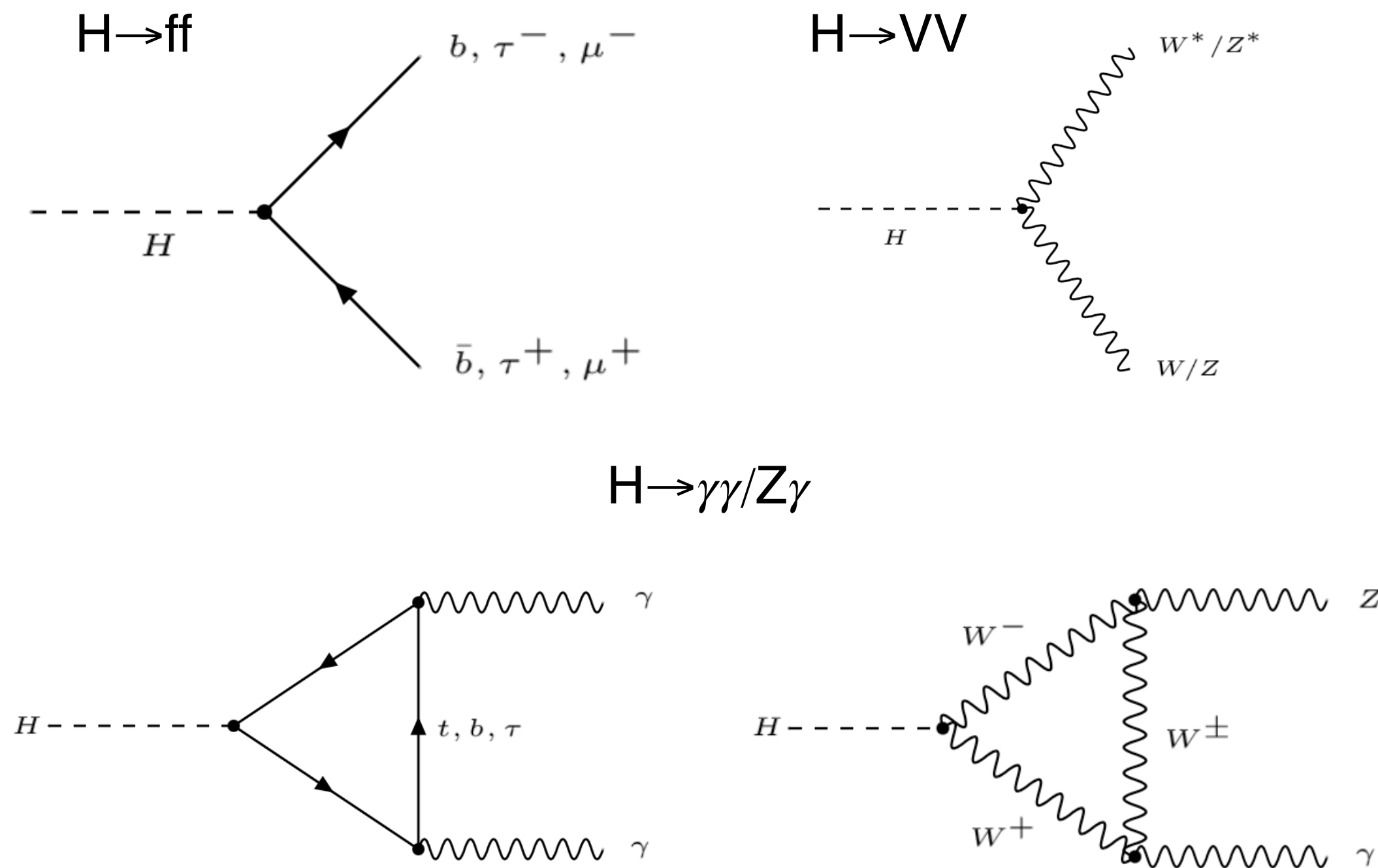


- Distinct topology from many production modes
- Rare/difficult production modes are important for beyond the SM (BSM) scenarios
- Accuracy from theory calculations: inclusive  $\sigma$  (ggF) calculated at N<sup>3</sup>LO in QCD and NLO in EW, with 5% uncertainty



# Higgs boson decay

- The SM predicts **4MeV** total width: far below detector resolution!

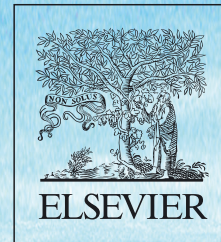


- Most sensitive decay modes:  $\gamma\gamma$ , ZZ, WW,  $\tau\tau$ , bb**
  - High invariant mass resolution in  $\gamma\gamma$  and  $ZZ \rightarrow 4l$
- More difficult channels:  $\mu\mu$ ,  $Z\gamma$ , cc, ...

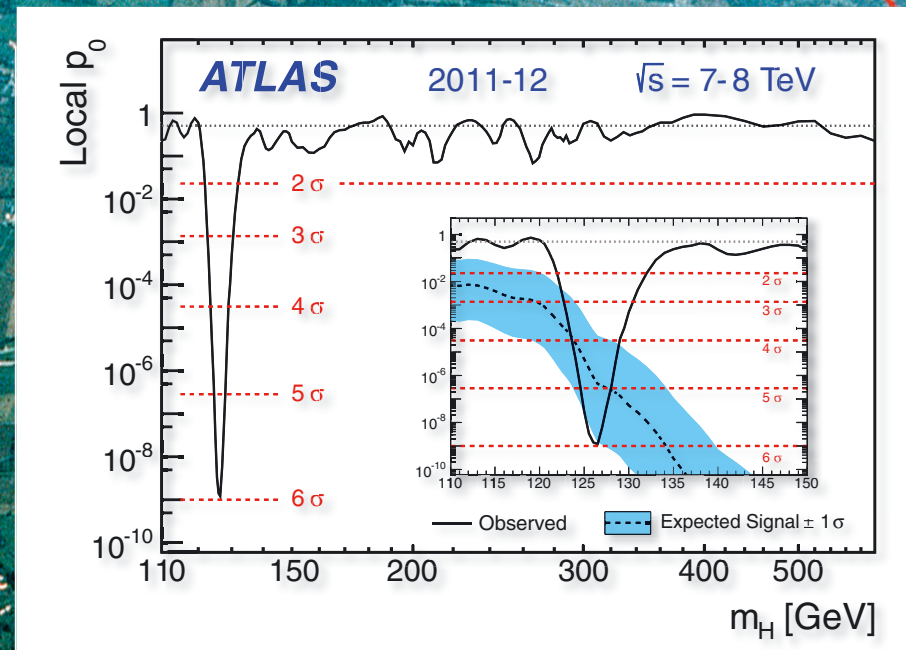
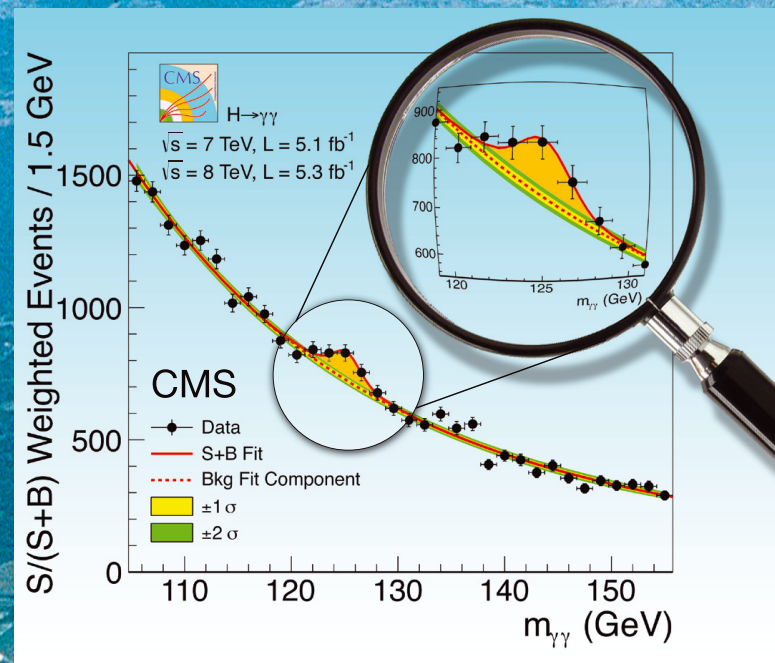
Decay channel	SM BR [%] with $m_H = 125.09$ GeV
H → bb	58.1
H → WW	21.5
H → $\tau\tau$	6.26
H → ZZ	2.64
H → $\gamma\gamma$	0.23
H → $\mu\mu$	0.022
H → $Z\gamma$	0.154
H → cc	2.88
H → gg	8.18



# Discovery of SM-like Higgs boson



First observations of a new particle in the search for the Standard Model Higgs boson at the LHC



Nobel Prize  
2013

The Nobel Prize in Physics 2013 was awarded jointly to François Englert and Peter W. Higgs "for the theoretical discovery of a mechanism that contributes to our understanding of the origin of mass of subatomic particles, and which recently was confirmed through the discovery of the predicted fundamental particle, by the ATLAS and CMS experiments at CERN's Large Hadron Collider."

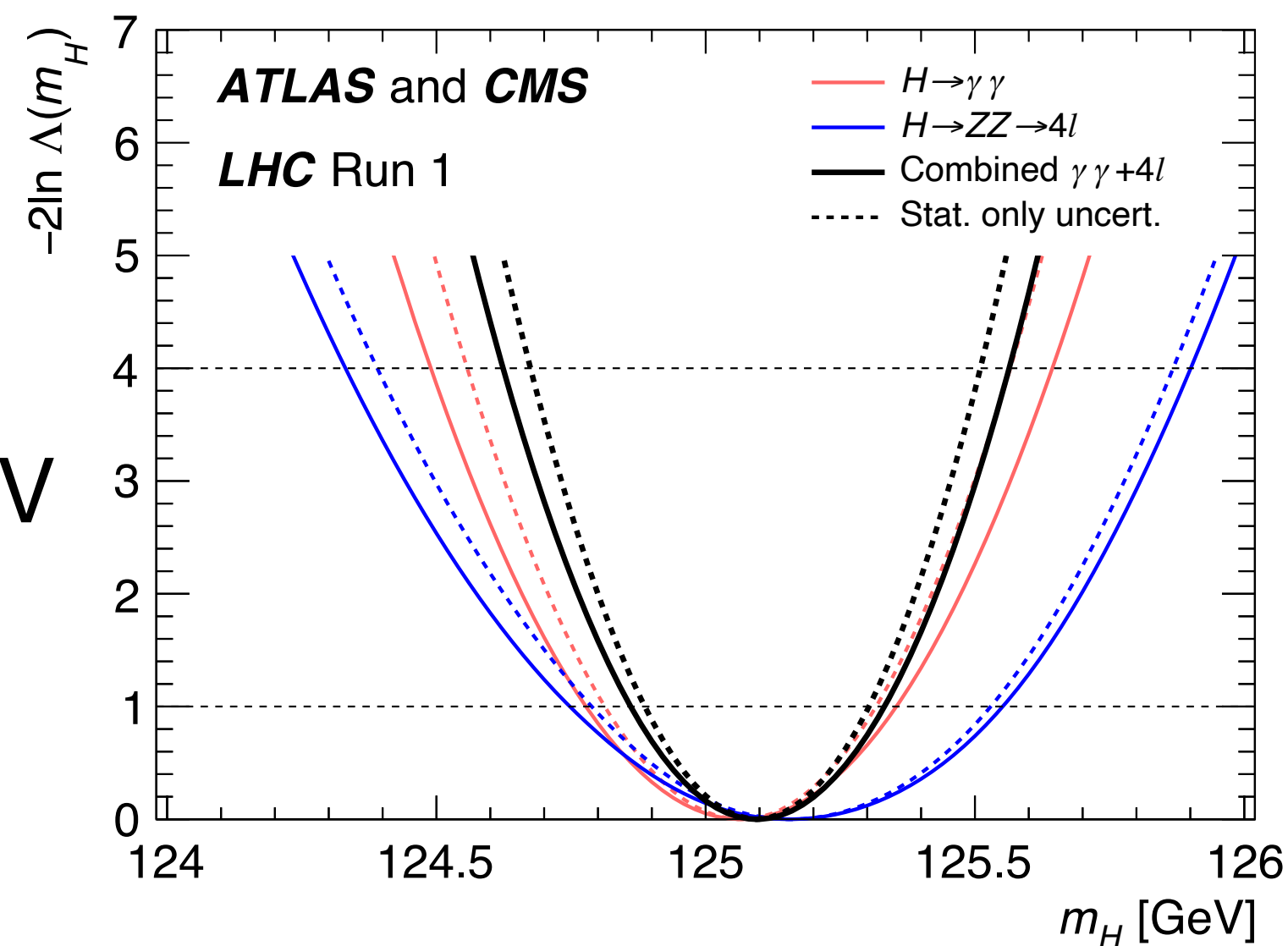
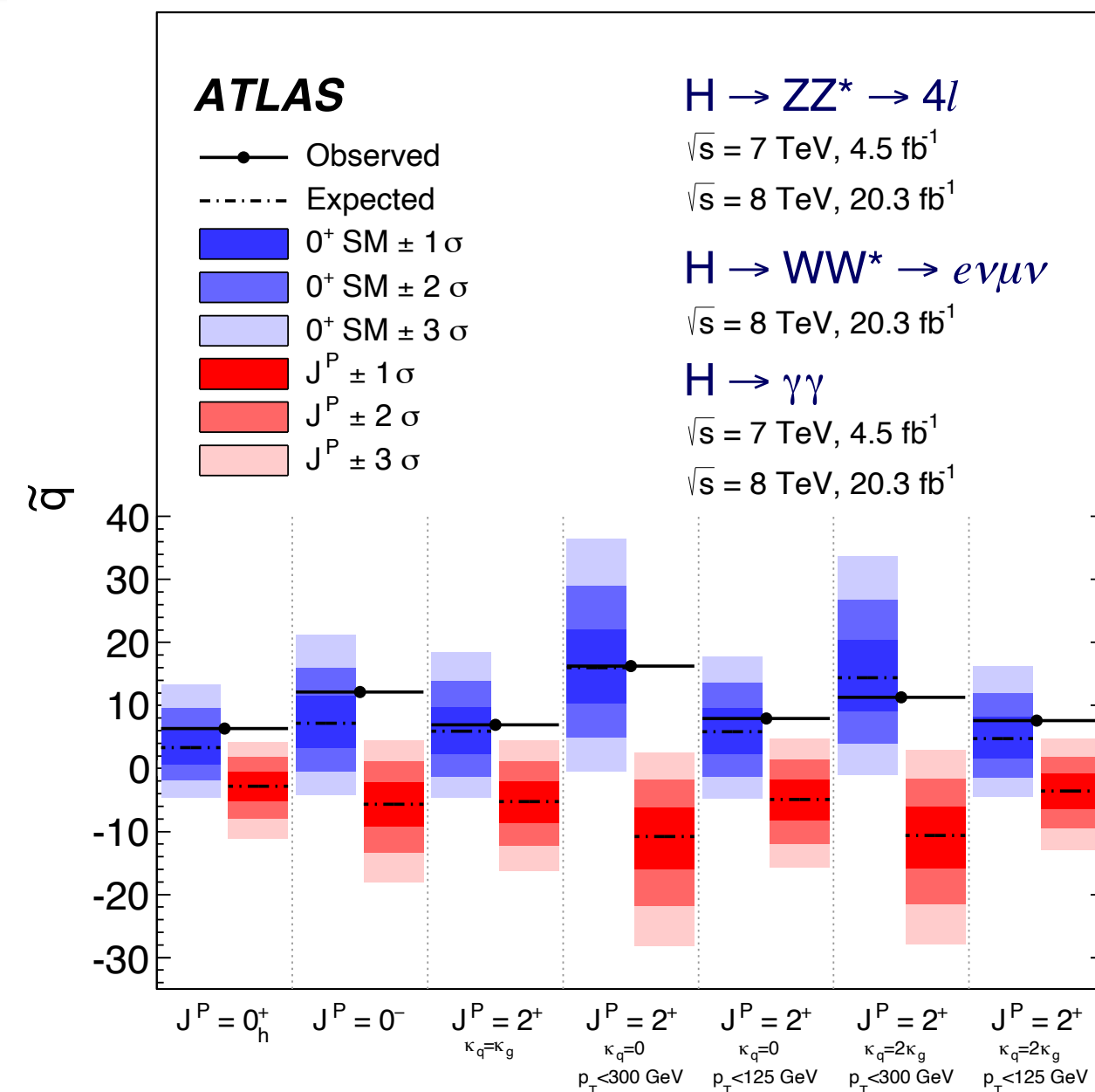
Discovery opened a new era of particle physics: detailed measurements of the Higgs sector at the LHC



# What we got from Run1 (partial)

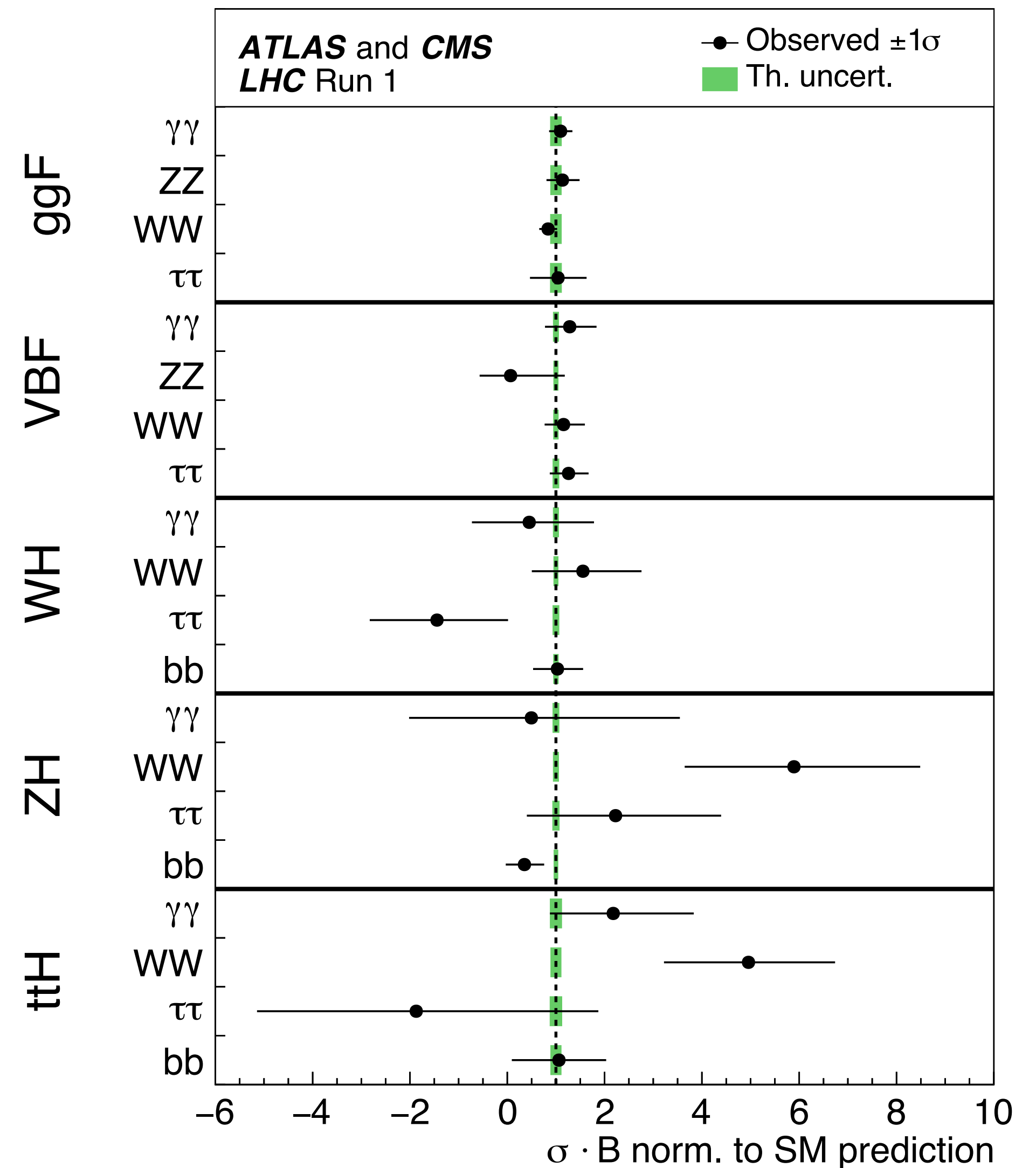
- Spin-0
- Compatible with CP even

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- Mass known  
125.09 ± 0.24 GeV

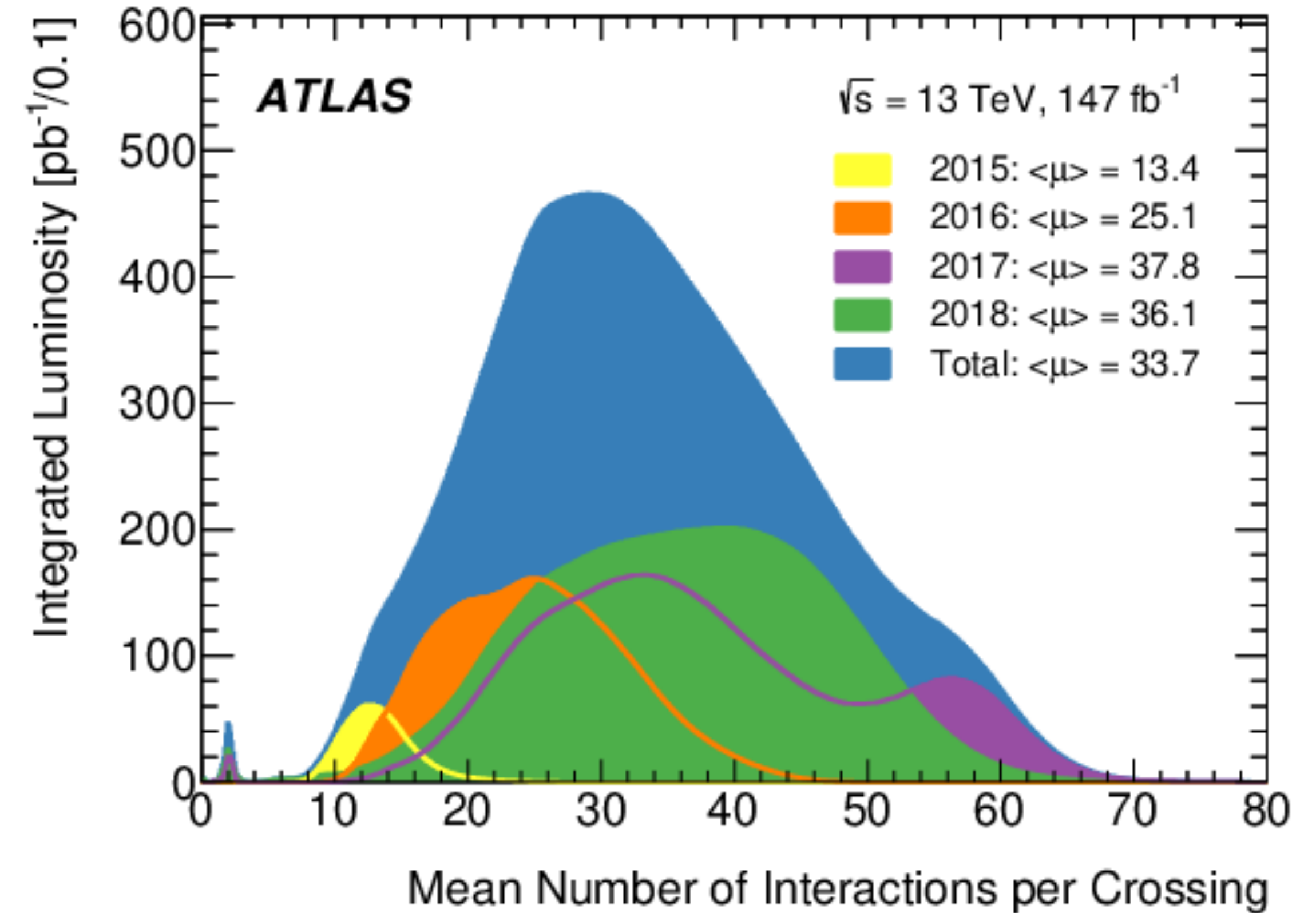
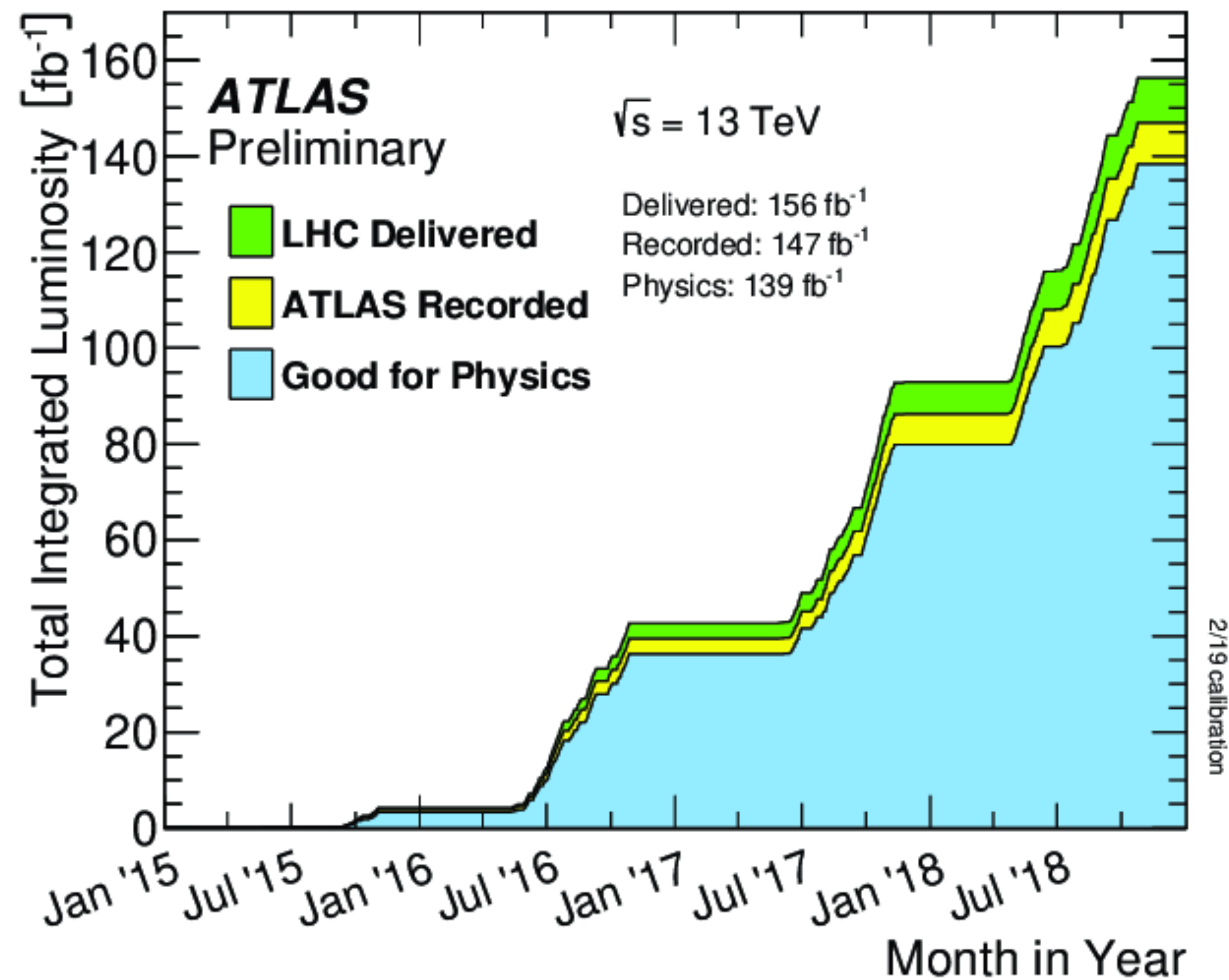
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- SM like couplings JHEP 08 (2016) 045

# Run2 data taking

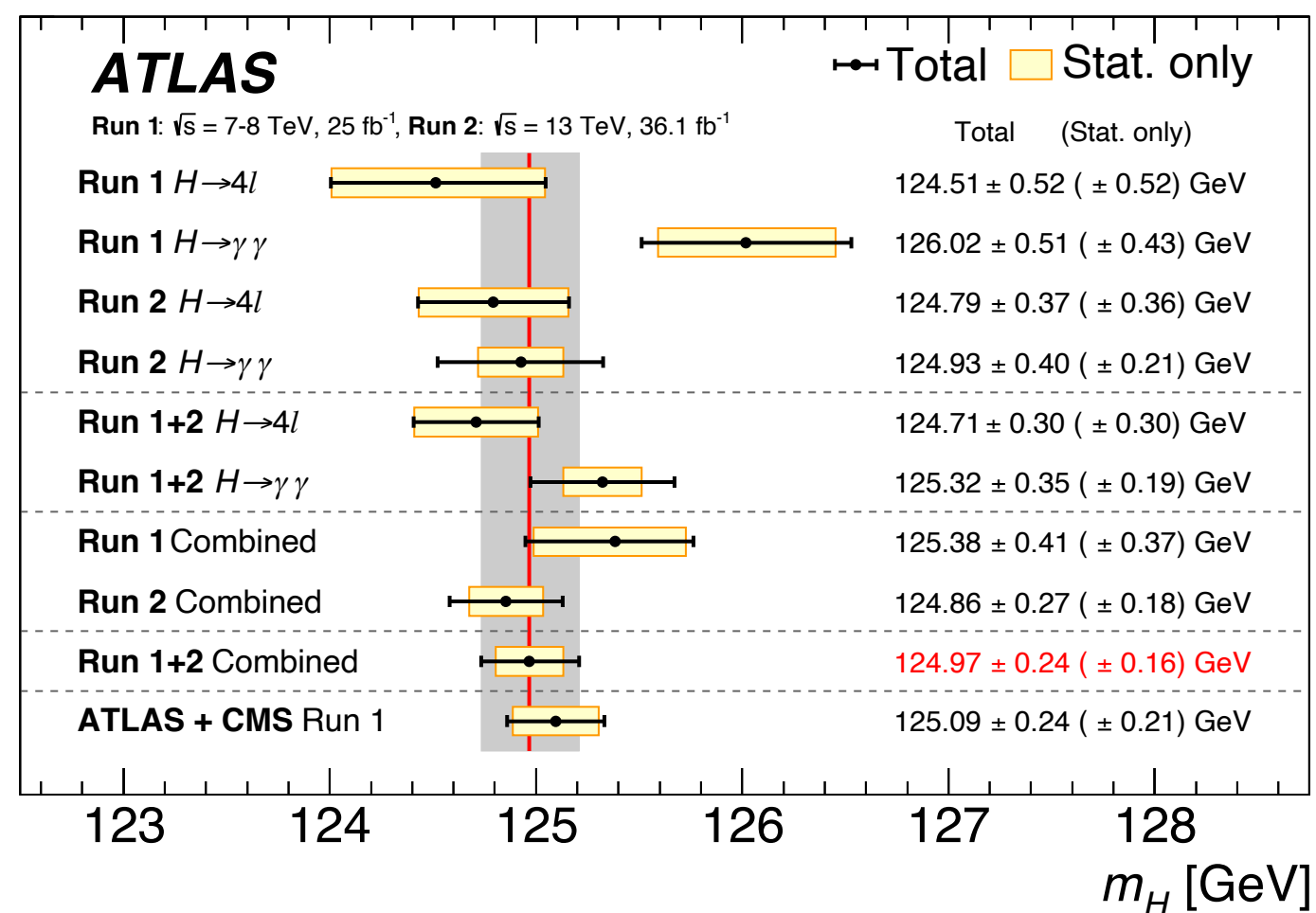
- Run2 data-taking successfully finished in 2018
- 139 fb<sup>-1</sup> of 13 TeV proton-proton collision data collected by ATLAS in total after data quality (DQ) requirements thanks to the excellent LHC performance





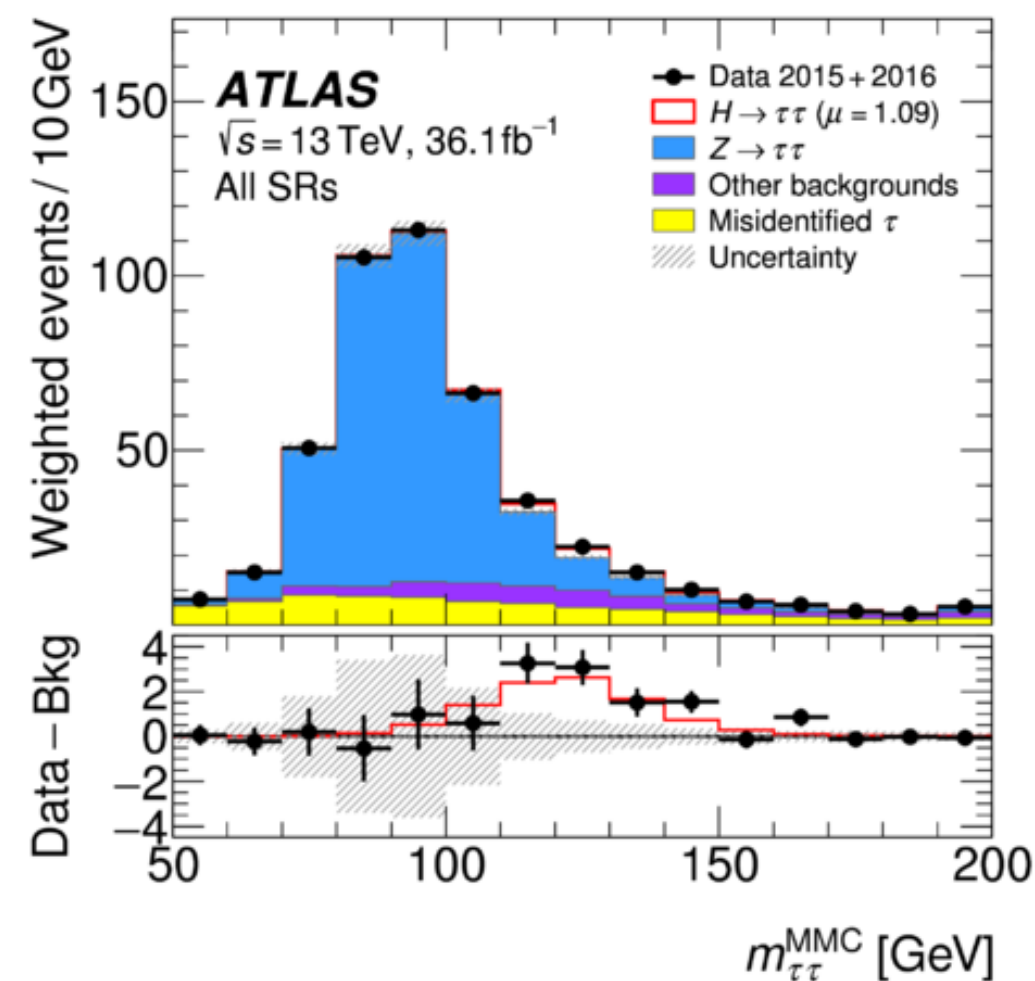
# ATLAS Run 2 Higgs boson property studies

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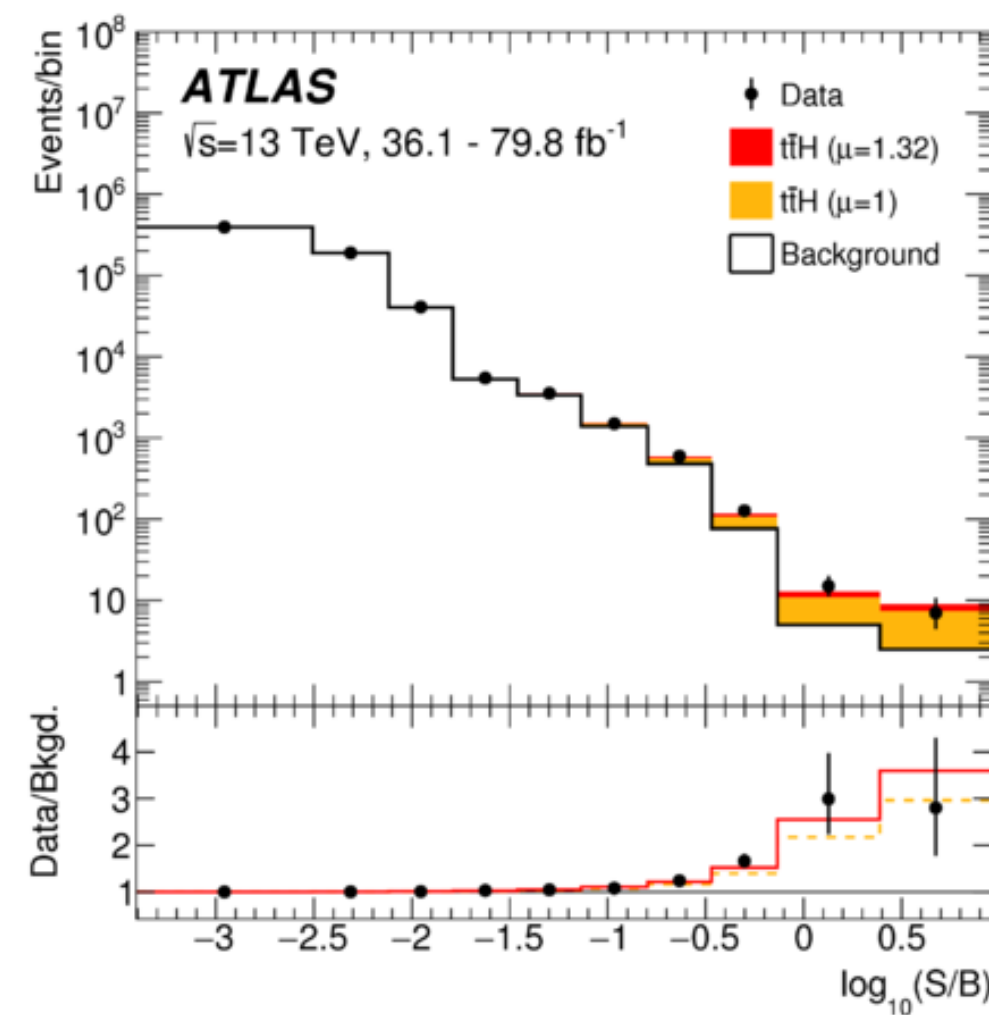
$m_H$  measurements updated

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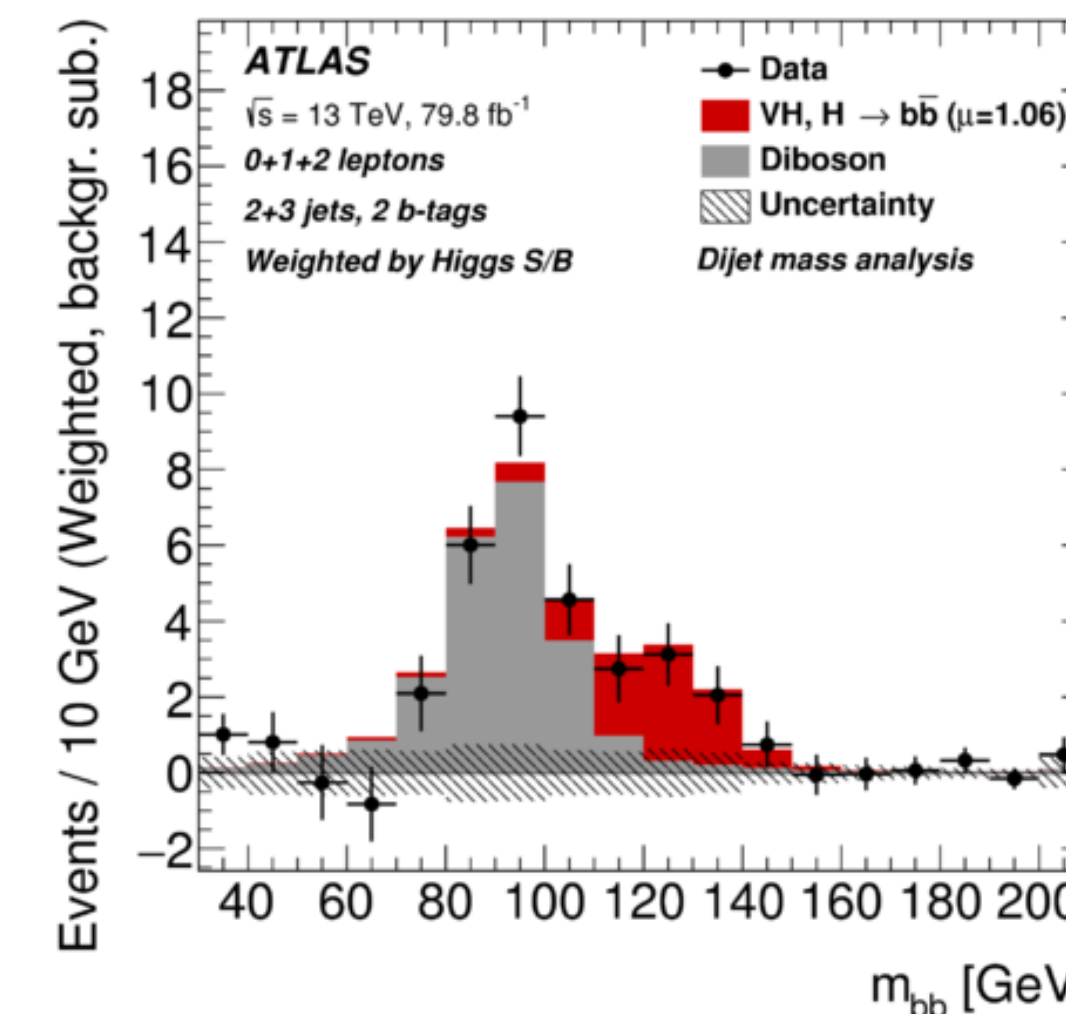
observation of  $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$   
by a single experiment

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observation of  $ttH$

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observation of  $H \rightarrow bb/VH$

- Just with partial Run2 statistics
- Our focus will be on the combined measurement of production cross-sections and decay rates of the Higgs boson, and various interpretations of the results

# Many hands (from Run2) make light work

- Rich pool of analyses performed by ATLAS
- Major improvements in performance and analysis methodologies ( a lot of MVA )
- Every measurement consists of one or more signal regions, designed to selected target **Higgs production** / **decay**
- Analyses trying to provide more granular information on the Higgs

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, $WH$ , $ZH$ , $t\bar{t}H(4\ell)$ $t\bar{t}H$	139 36.1
$H \rightarrow WW^*$	ggF, VBF $t\bar{t}H$	139 36.1
$H \rightarrow \tau\tau$	ggF, VBF, $WH$ , $ZH$ , $t\bar{t}H(\tau_{\text{had}}\tau_{\text{had}})$ $t\bar{t}H$	139 36.1
$H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$	$WH$ , $ZH$ VBF $t\bar{t}H$	139 126 139
$H \rightarrow \mu\mu$	ggF, VBF, $VH$ , $t\bar{t}H$	139
$H \rightarrow Z\gamma$	ggF, VBF, $VH$ , $t\bar{t}H$	139
$H \rightarrow inv$	VBF	139

Higgs 2021 Conf. note:

Inclusive measurement:

- Cross sections (  $\sigma$  )
- Signal Strengths (  $\mu = \sigma \cdot \text{Br.}^{\text{obs.}} / \sigma \cdot \text{Br.}^{\text{SM}}$  )
- Coupling strength scale factor relative to SM (  $\kappa$  framework,  $\kappa = 1$  for SM)

Differential measurements:

- Simplified Template Cross Sections ( STXS ) framework



# Combination

- Why combination?
  - The individual analyses is probing different production processes, decays and also different kinematic regions
  - We can obtain the best results from the combination of the individual.

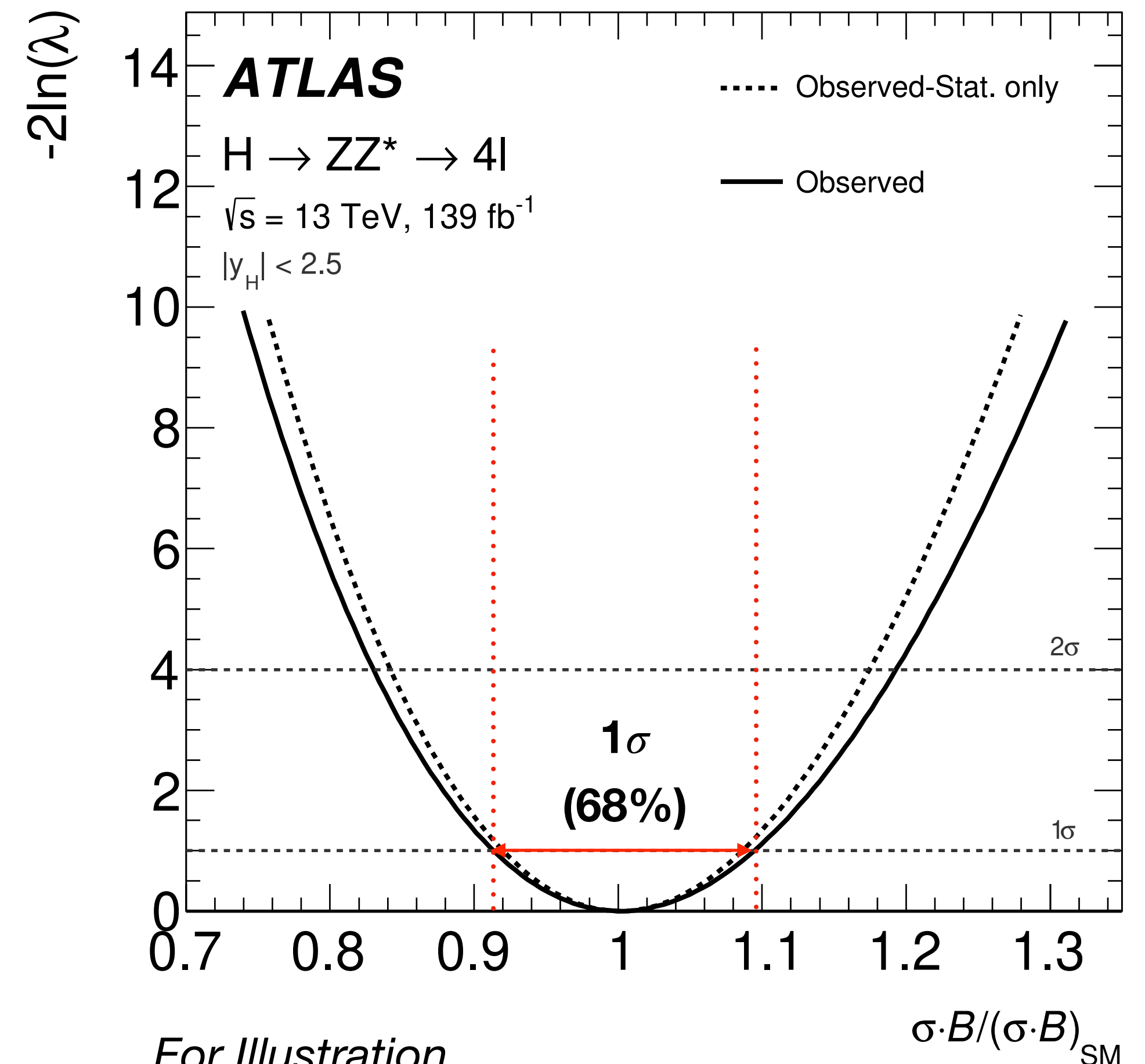
- Construct combined likelihood model as **multiplication of individual channel likelihoods**

- Common parameters, e.g. **signal cross-sections** and **nuisance parameters** for the same systematic uncertainties, are shared between likelihood of individual channels

- Use profile likelihood ratio  $\Lambda$  as **test statistic**:

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

- 1-D 68% confidence interval defined by  $-2\ln\Lambda$  increasing by 1 (asymptotic limit)

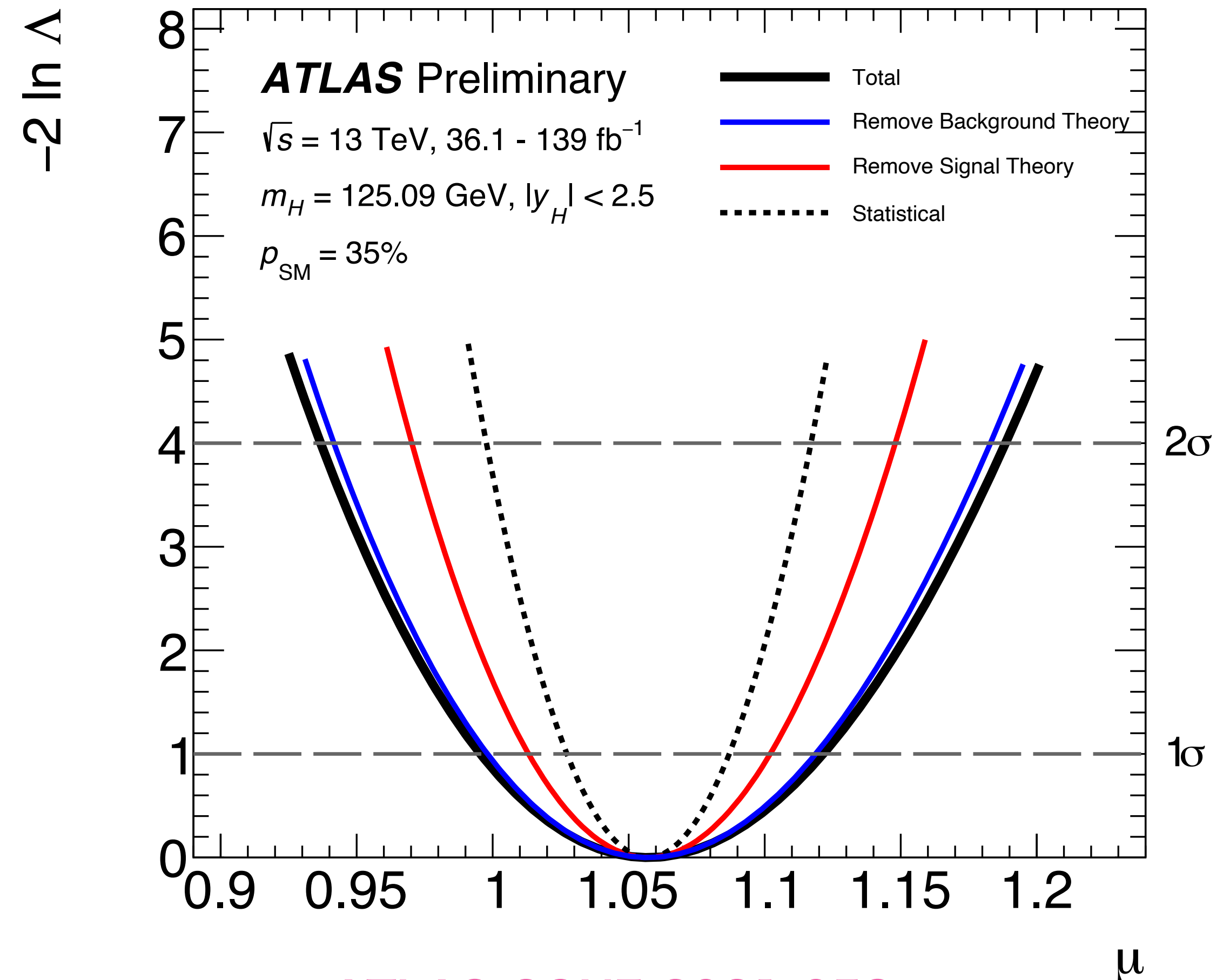


For Illustration

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# Inclusive signal strength

- Global signal strength  $(\sigma \cdot \text{Br.})^{\text{obs.}} / (\sigma \cdot \text{Br.})^{\text{SM}}$ , assuming a common scaling for all production processes and decays  
 $\mu = 1.06 \pm 0.06 = 1.06 \pm 0.03 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 0.03 \text{ (exp.)} \pm 0.04 \text{ (sig. th.)} \pm 0.02 \text{ (bkg. th.)}$
- The uncertainties on  $(\sigma \cdot \text{Br.})^{\text{SM}}$  taken into account
- Comparable contribution from [statistical](#), [experimental](#), and [signal/bkg. theory](#) uncertainty components
- **10%** improvement in accuracy comparing to [ATLAS-CONF-2020-027](#), **44%** improvement comparing to [Run1](#)
- Consistent with the SM:  $p_{\text{SM}} = 35\%$
- The precision is dominantly constrained by the [syst. unc.](#)



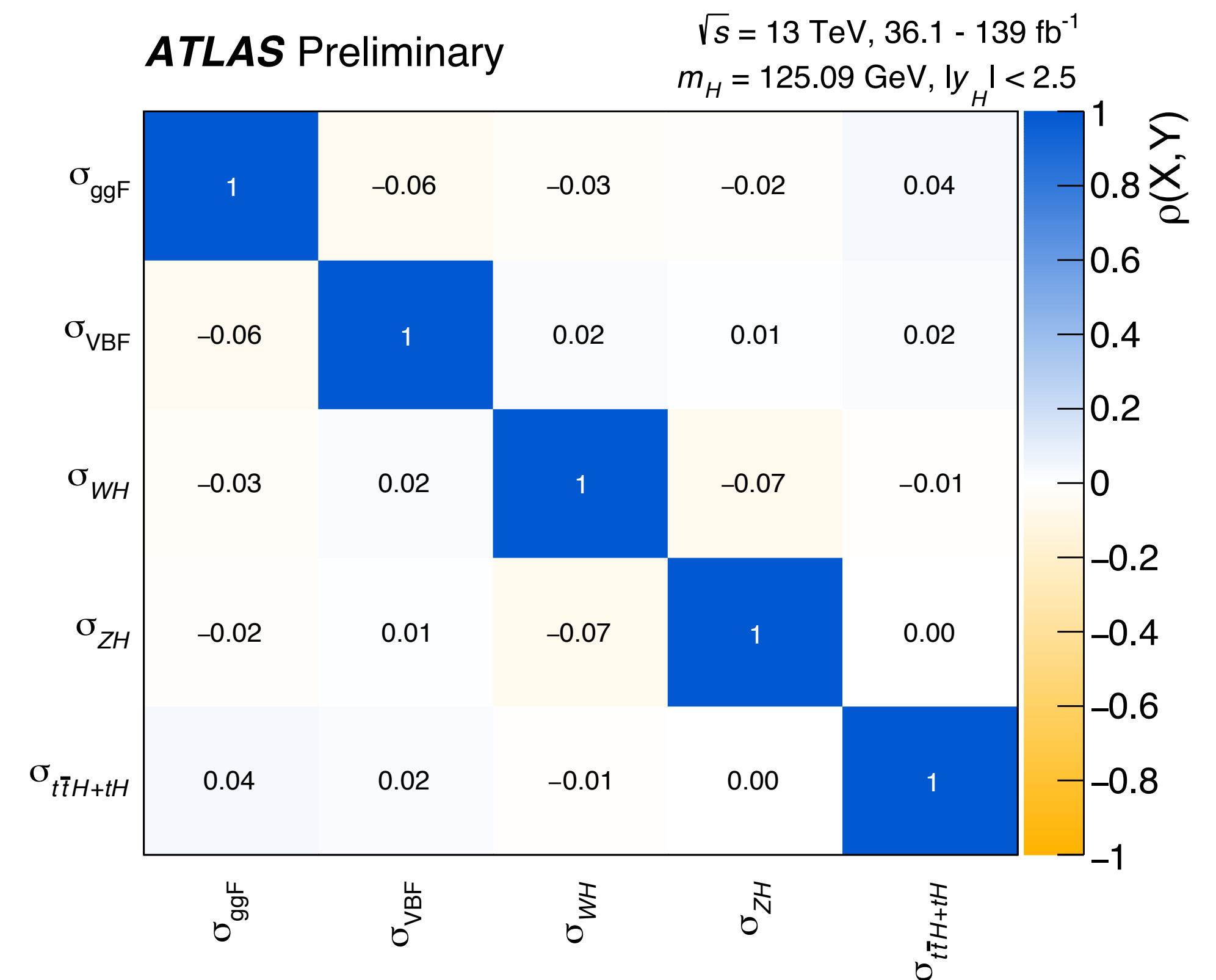
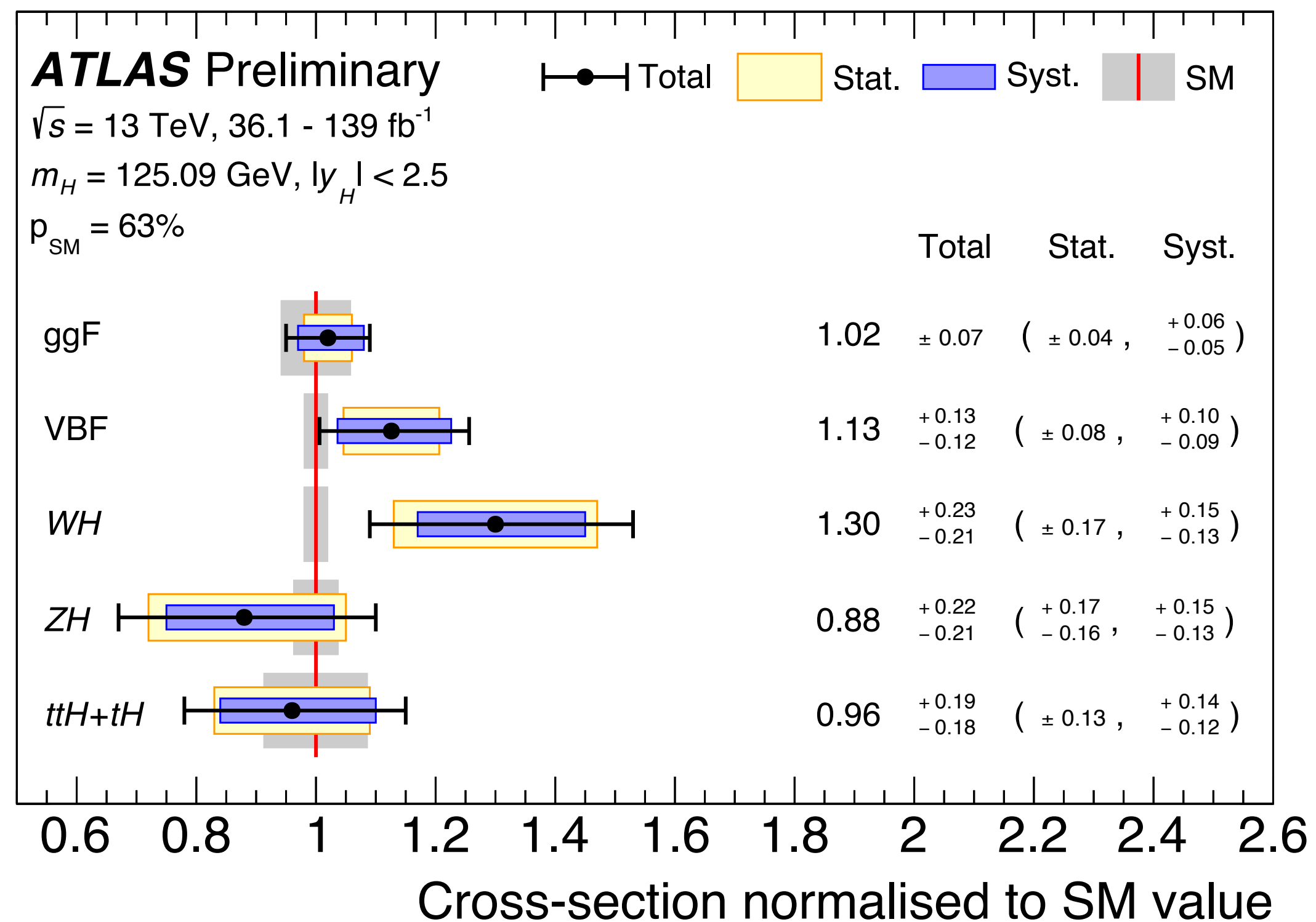
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# Production mode cross-sections (assuming the SM BRs)

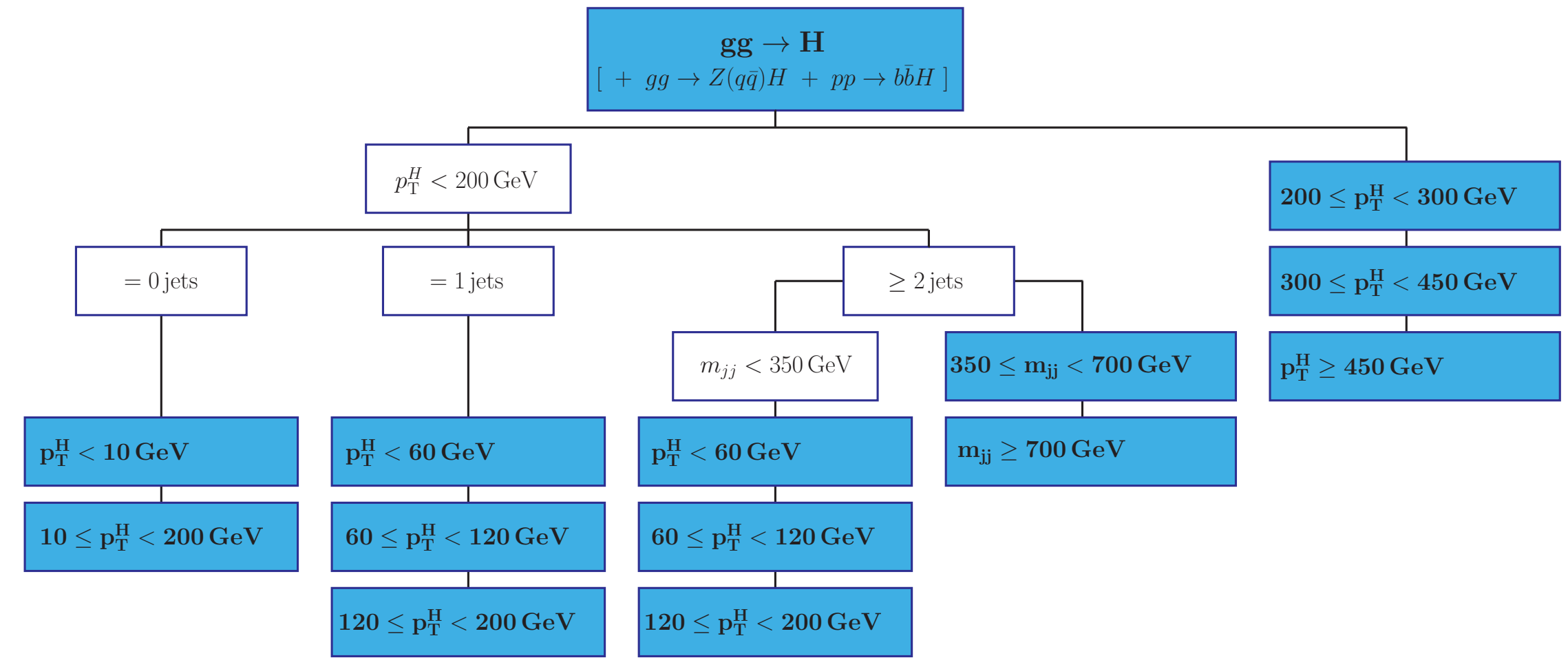
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- Precision improves by 2% - 27% thanks to improvements in the individual analyses
- ggF cross-section now measured with precision of 7%, close to 5% uncertainty on the N<sup>3</sup>LO cross section prediction
- All major production modes observed
- Small correlation between measurements of different production modes

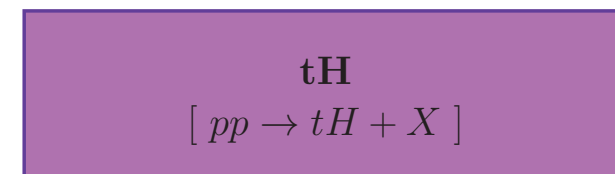
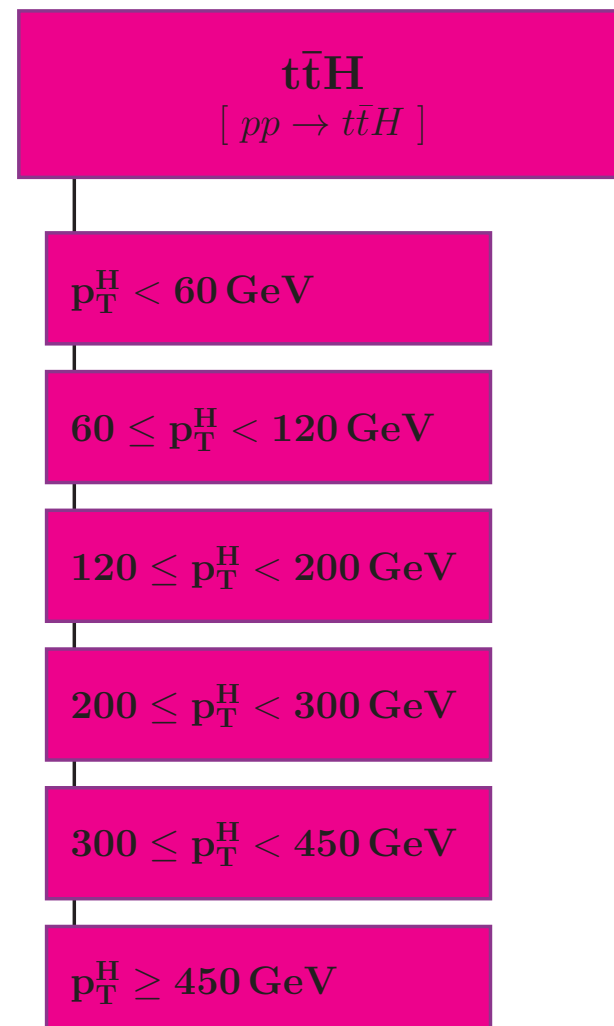
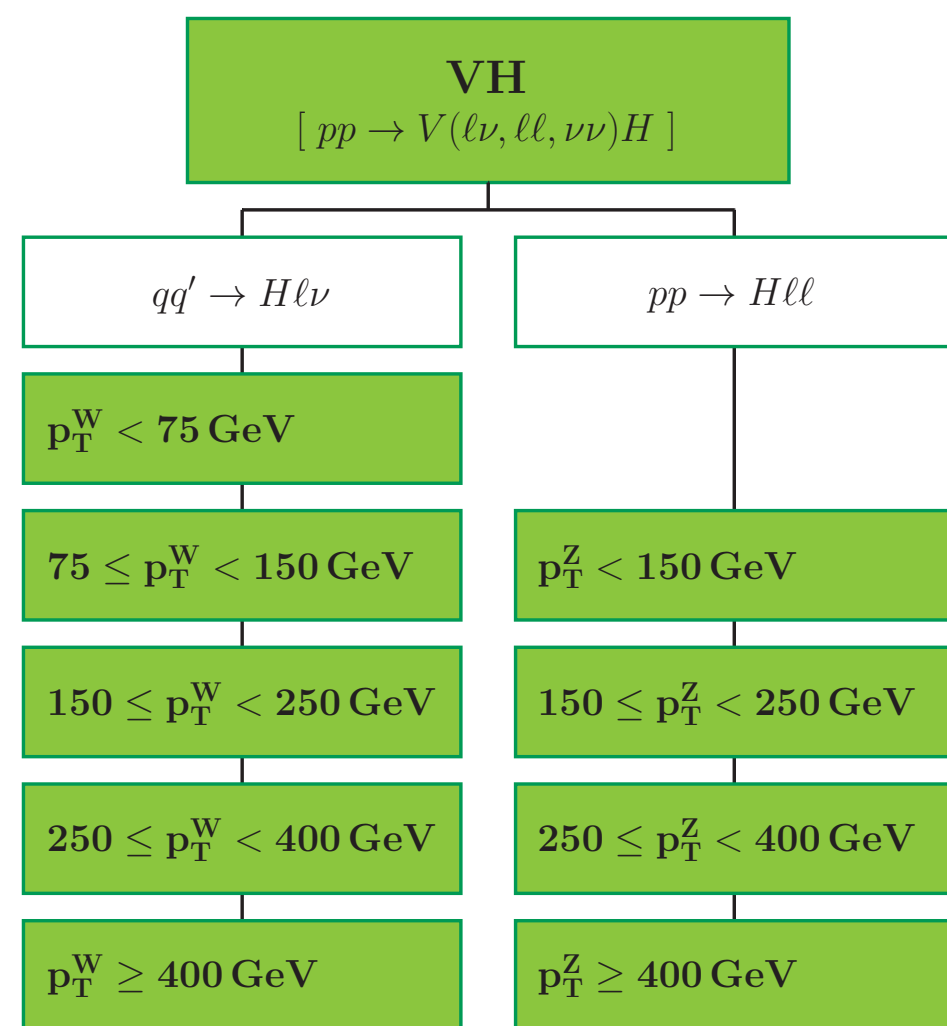
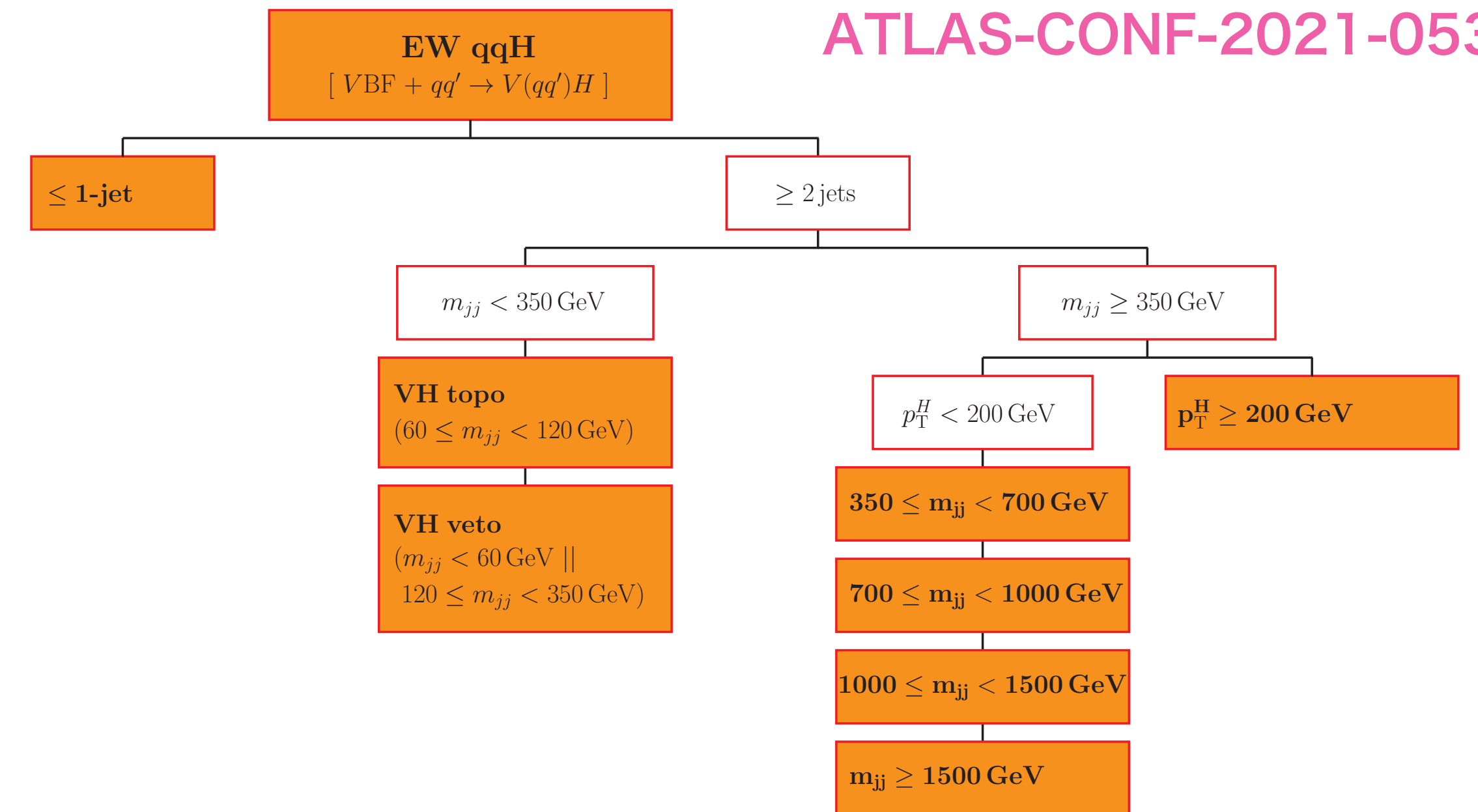


# Simplified template cross section (STXS)

- Extension of inclusive-style measurements
- Measure cross-section per production mode in different phase-space regions
  - Reduce model dependence and maximize sensitivity to BSM effects
  - Support kinematic-dependent interpretations (EFT etc.)
- Within each region, use the SM predicted signal templates to fit data
  - Can still exploit powerful analysis techniques (e.g. MVA)

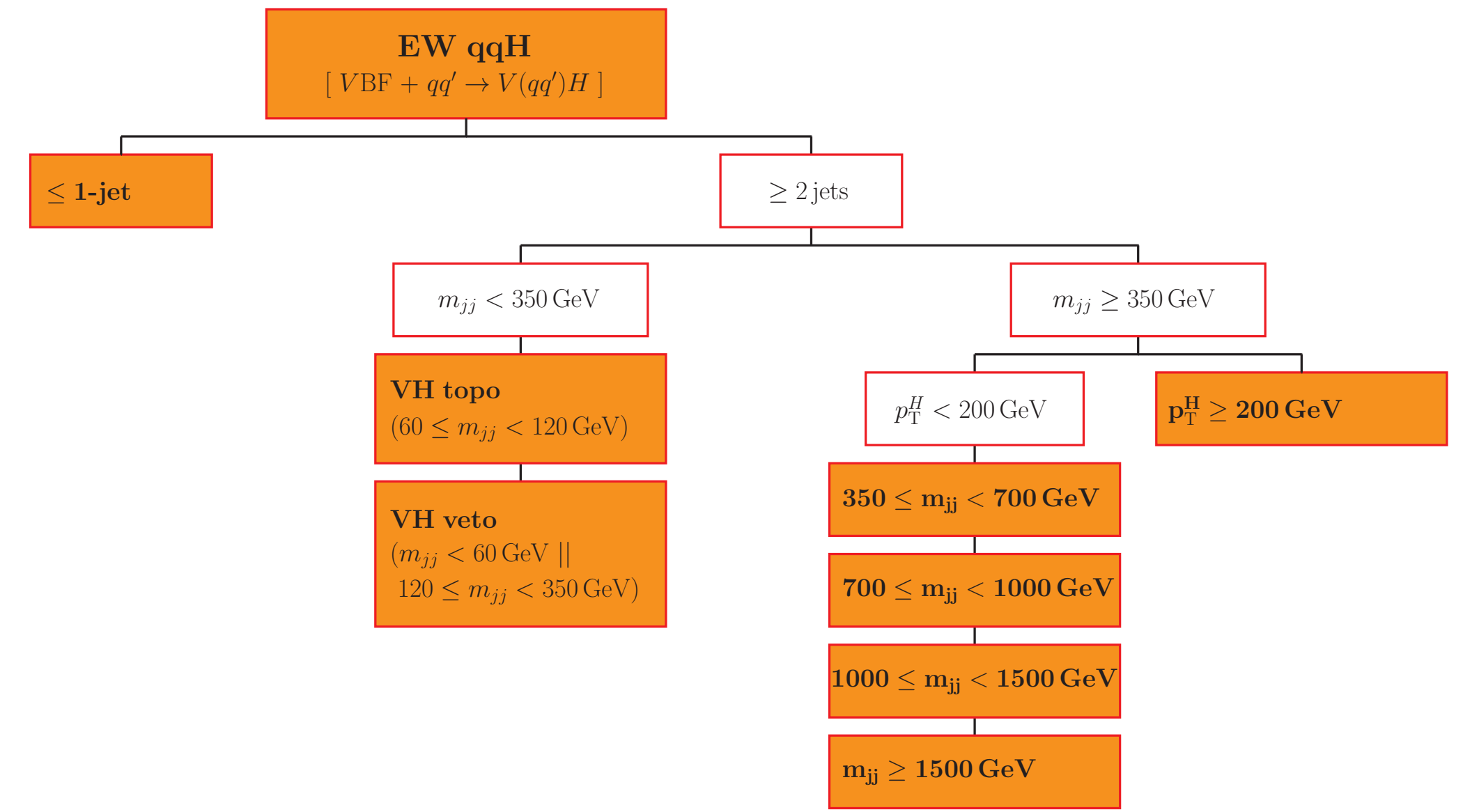
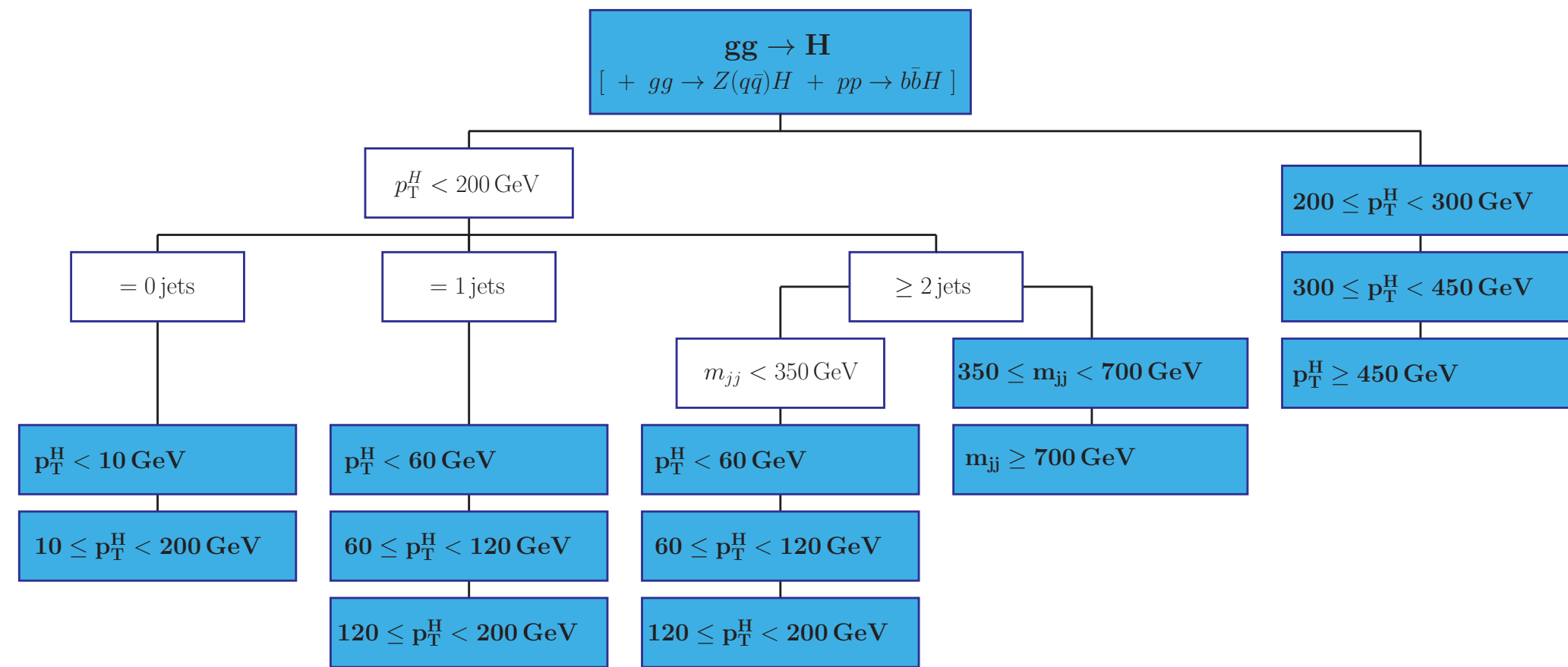


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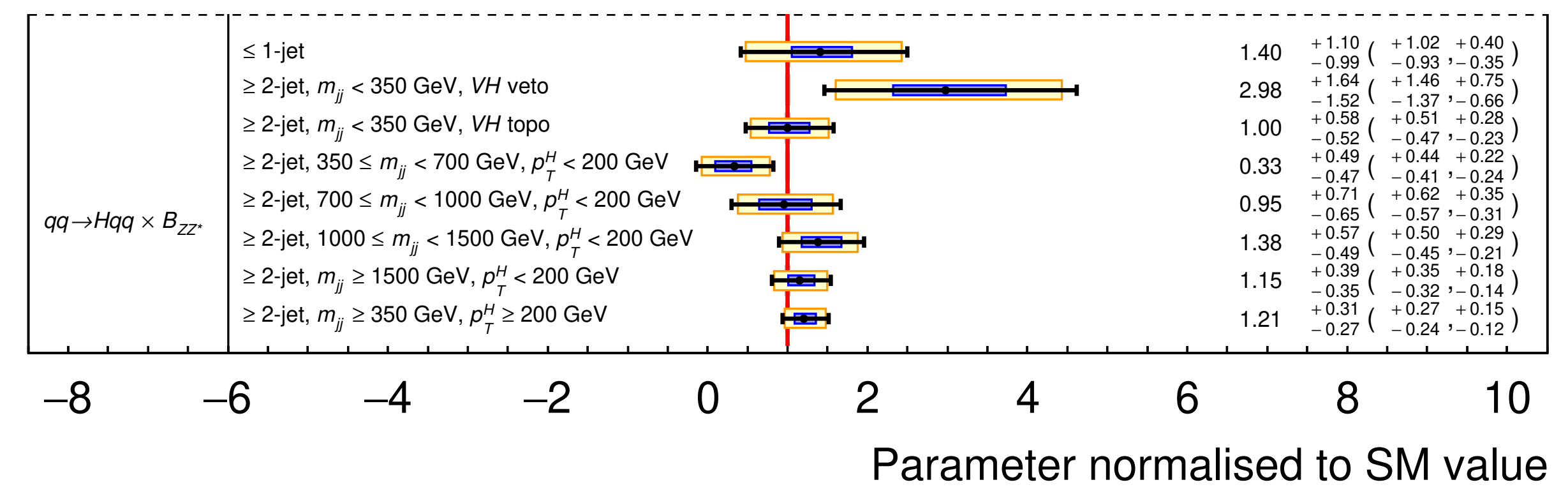
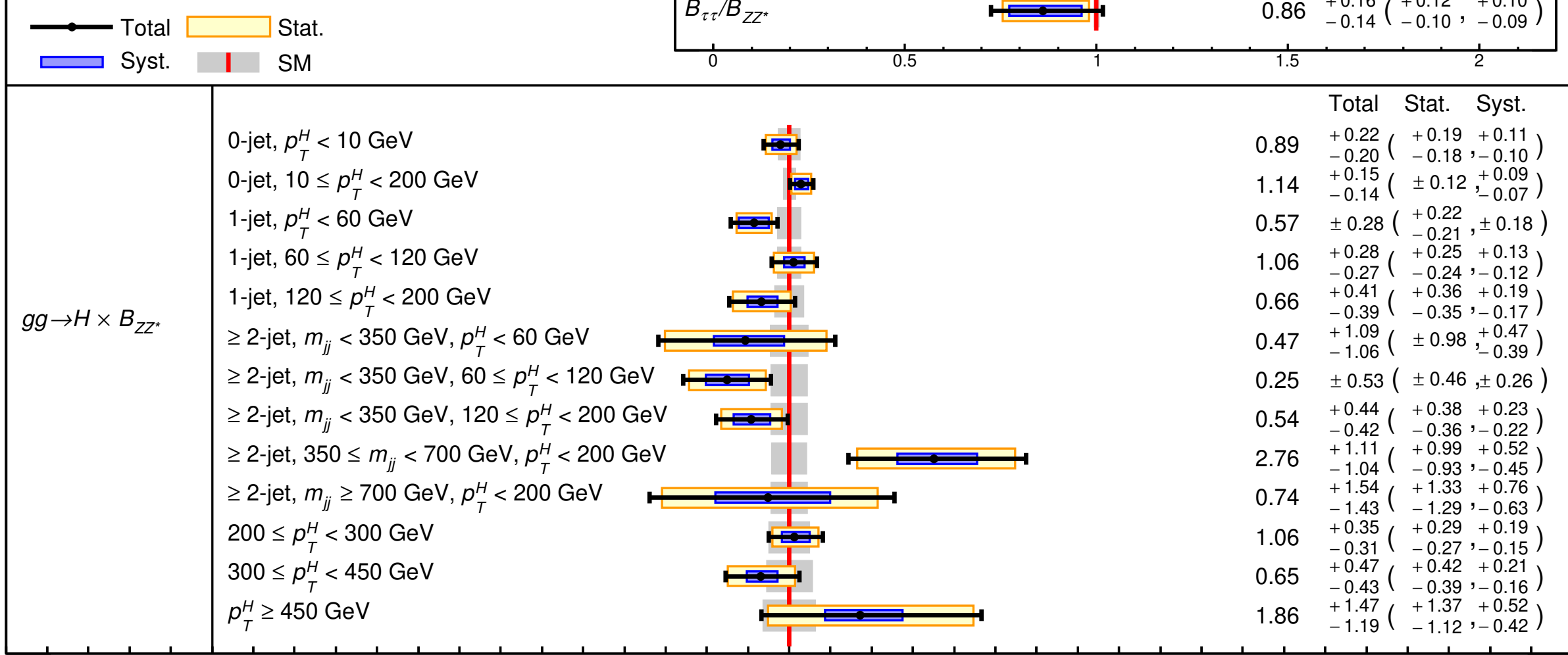




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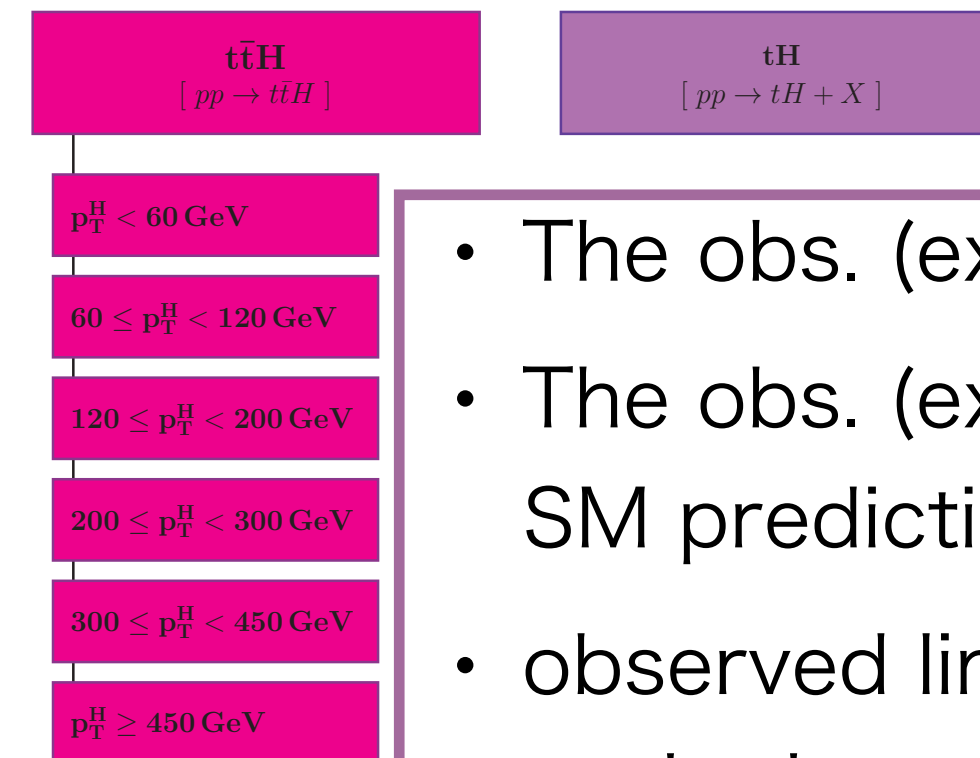
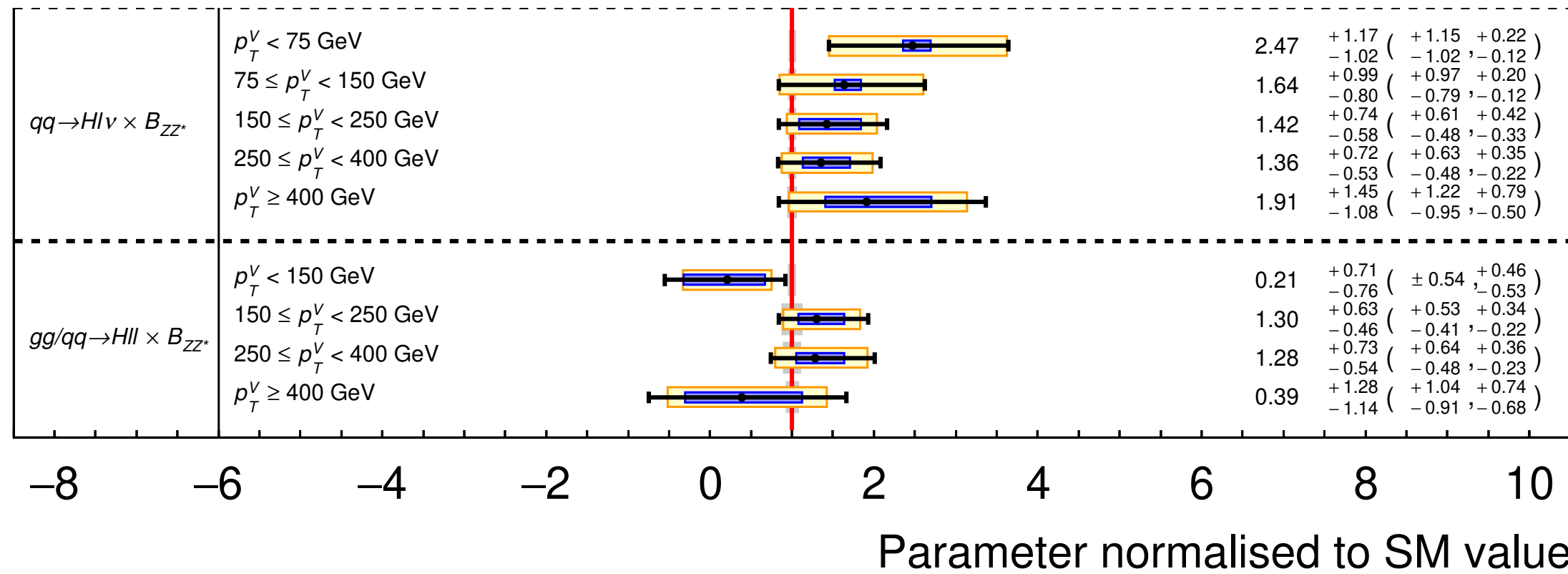
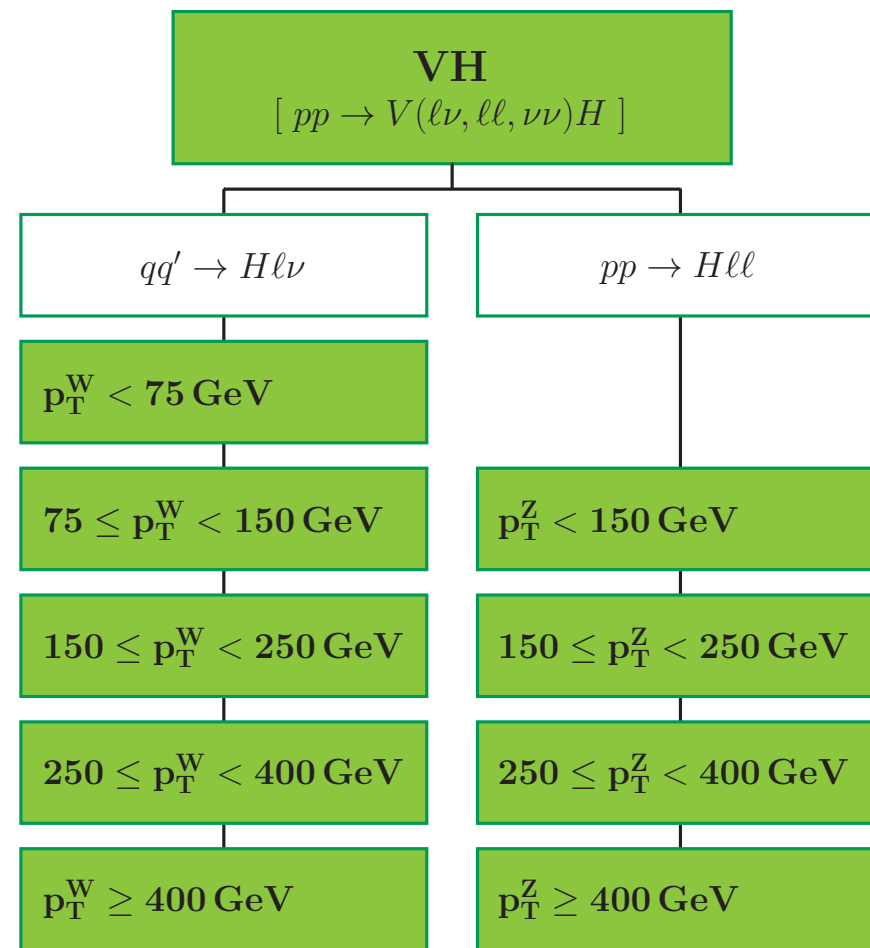


**ATLAS Preliminary**  
 $\sqrt{s} = 13 \text{ TeV}, 139 \text{ fb}^{-1}$   
 $m_H = 125.09 \text{ GeV}, |y_H| < 2.5$   
 $p_{\text{SM}} = 92\%$

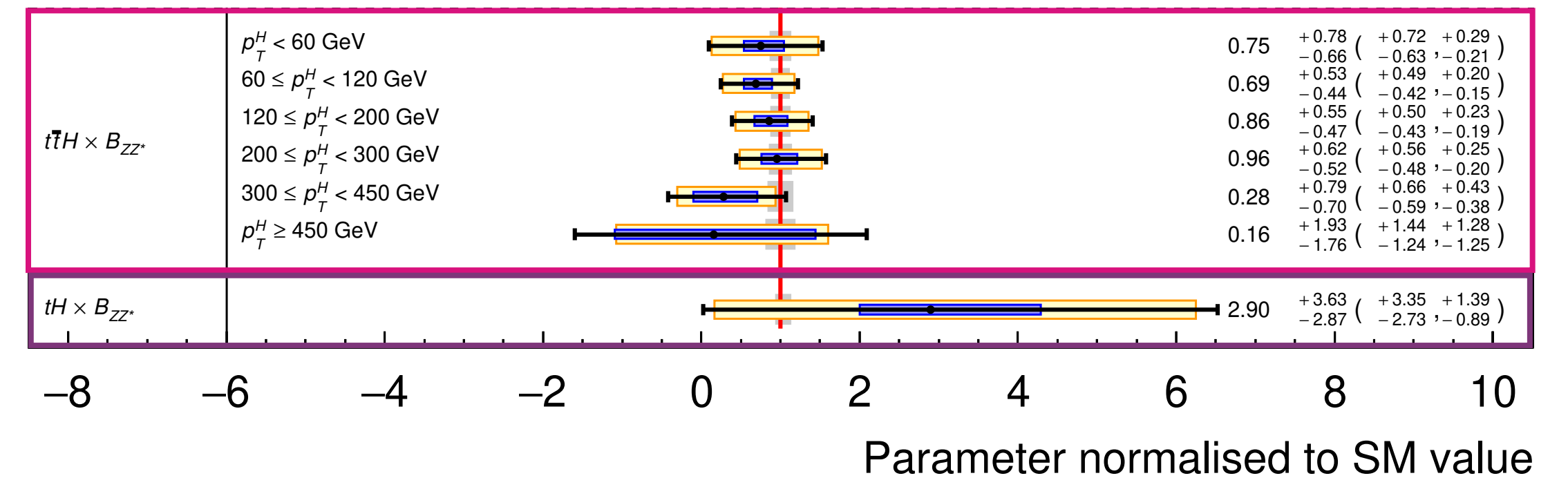


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 Parameter normalised to SM value

# STXS results II



- The obs. (exp.) sig. for **tH** STXS bin:  $1.0 \sigma$  ( $0.4 \sigma$ )
- The obs. (exp.) upper limit is **9.3** (**6.7**) times the SM prediction at 95% CL
- observed limit 10% higher than the previous due to the larger obs. best-fit value



- Most granular, simultaneous measurement (41 POIs: 37 STXS bins for all production modes + 4 BR. ratios)
  - For all bins **stat. unc. dominating**; only in few syst. unc. matters
  - Overall good compatibility with SM ( $p_{SM} = 92\%$ )
  - Statistical precision, in particular in most BSM sensitive regions is still limited: more data to help

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# SMEFT

- Introduce new effective operators with free coefficients to capture new physics appearing beyond scale  $\Lambda$  (typically chosen as 1 TeV)
- New heavy internal particles are integrated out and are represented as vertices in the new effective theory
- Most common: Warsaw-basis ([JHEP 10 \(2010\) 085](#)) forming a complete set of all dim-6 operators allowed by the SM gauge symmetries
- Interpretation performed in SMEFT framework

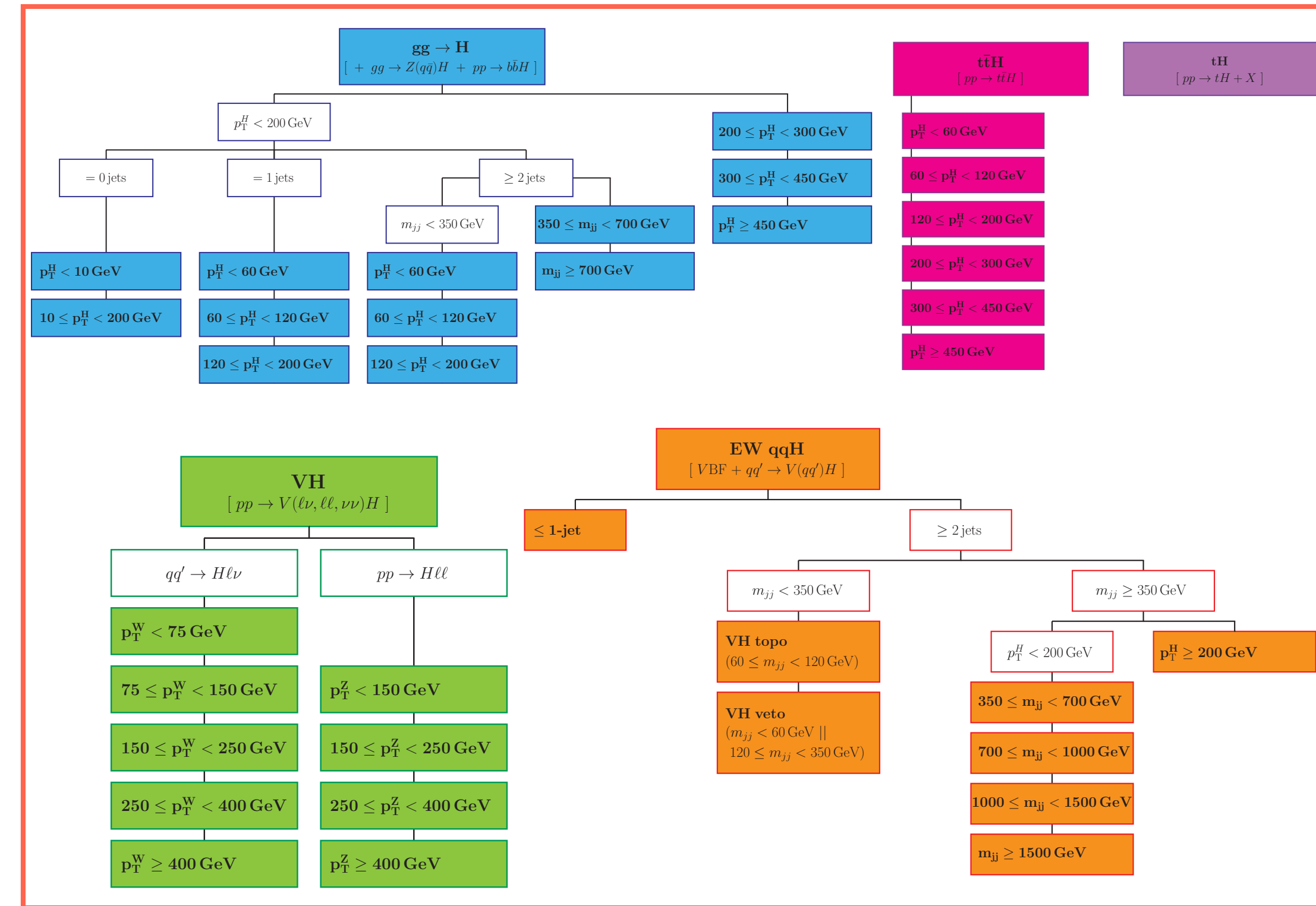
$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{SMEFT}} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{SM}} + \sum_i^{N_{d6}} \frac{c_i}{\Lambda^2} \mathcal{O}_i^{(6)} + \sum_j^{N_{d8}} \frac{b_j}{\Lambda^4} \mathcal{O}_j^{(8)} + \dots$$

- SMEFT in a nutshell:
  - $\mathcal{L}_{\text{SM}}$  is dim-4, high orders only valid in the low-energy regime  $E \ll \Lambda$
  - terms with odd dimensionality violate lepton and/or baryon symmetry and are usually not considered for LHC physics
  - Wilson coefficients  $c \equiv 0$  for SM, deviations might indicate new physics

# SMEFT Interpretation: operators

- $\Lambda = 1 \text{ TeV}$  and Warsaw-basis

Wilson coefficient	Operator	Wilson coefficient	Operator
$c_{H\Box}$	$(H^\dagger H)\Box(H^\dagger H)$	$c_{uG}$	$(\bar{q}_p \sigma^{\mu\nu} T^A u_r) \tilde{H} G_{\mu\nu}^A$
$c_{HDD}$	$(H^\dagger D^\mu H)^* (H^\dagger D_\mu H)$	$c_{uW}$	$(\bar{q}_p \sigma^{\mu\nu} u_r) \tau^I \tilde{H} W_{\mu\nu}^I$
$c_{HG}$	$H^\dagger H G_{\mu\nu}^A G^{A\mu\nu}$	$c_{uB}$	$(\bar{q}_p \sigma^{\mu\nu} u_r) \tilde{H} B_{\mu\nu}$
$c_{HB}$	$H^\dagger H B_{\mu\nu} B^{\mu\nu}$	$c'_{ll}$	$(\bar{l}_p \gamma_\mu l_t) (\bar{l}_r \gamma^\mu l_s)$
$c_{HW}$	$H^\dagger H W_{\mu\nu}^I W^{I\mu\nu}$	$c_{qq}^{(1)}$	$(\bar{q}_p \gamma_\mu q_t) (\bar{q}_r \gamma^\mu q_s)$
$c_{HWB}$	$H^\dagger \tau^I H W_{\mu\nu}^I B^{\mu\nu}$	$c_{qq}^{(3)}$	$(\bar{q}_p \gamma_\mu \tau^I q_r) (\bar{q}_s \gamma^\mu \tau^I q_t)$
$c_{eH}$	$(H^\dagger H) (\bar{l}_p e_r H)$	$c_{qq}$	$(\bar{q}_p \gamma_\mu q_t) (\bar{q}_r \gamma^\mu q_s)$
$c_{uH}$	$(H^\dagger H) (\bar{q}_p u_r \tilde{H})$	$c_{qq}^{(31)}$	$(\bar{q}_p \gamma_\mu \tau^I q_t) (\bar{q}_r \gamma^\mu \tau^I q_s)$
$c_{dH}$	$(H^\dagger H) (\bar{q}_p d_r \tilde{H})$	$c_{uu}$	$(\bar{u}_p \gamma_\mu u_r) (\bar{u}_s \gamma^\mu u_t)$
$c_{Hl}^{(1)}$	$(H^\dagger i \overleftrightarrow{D}_\mu H) (\bar{l}_p \gamma^\mu l_r)$	$c_{uu}^{(1)}$	$(\bar{u}_p \gamma_\mu u_t) (\bar{u}_r \gamma^\mu u_s)$
$c_{Hl}^{(3)}$	$(H^\dagger i \overleftrightarrow{D}_\mu^I H) (\bar{l}_p \tau^I \gamma^\mu l_r)$	$c_{qu}^{(1)}$	$(\bar{q}_p \gamma_\mu q_t) (\bar{u}_r \gamma^\mu u_s)$
$c_{He}$	$(H^\dagger i \overleftrightarrow{D}_\mu H) (\bar{e}_p \gamma^\mu e_r)$	$c_{ud}^{(8)}$	$(\bar{u}_p \gamma_\mu T^A u_r) (\bar{d}_s \gamma^\mu T^A d_t)$
$c_{Hq}^{(1)}$	$(H^\dagger i \overleftrightarrow{D}_\mu H) (\bar{q}_p \gamma^\mu q_r)$	$c_{qu}^{(8)}$	$(\bar{q}_p \gamma_\mu T^A q_r) (\bar{u}_s \gamma^\mu T^A u_t)$
$c_{Hq}^{(3)}$	$(H^\dagger i \overleftrightarrow{D}_\mu^I H) (\bar{q}_p \tau^I \gamma^\mu q_r)$	$c_{qd}^{(8)}$	$(\bar{q}_p \gamma_\mu T^A q_r) (\bar{d}_s \gamma^\mu T^A d_t)$
$c_{Hu}$	$(H^\dagger i \overleftrightarrow{D}_\mu H) (\bar{u}_p \gamma^\mu u_r)$	$c_W$	$\epsilon^{IJK} W_\mu^{I\nu} W_\nu^{J\rho} W_\rho^{K\mu}$
$c_{Hd}$	$(H^\dagger i \overleftrightarrow{D}_\mu H) (\bar{d}_p \gamma^\mu d_r)$	$c_G$	$f^{ABC} G_\mu^{A\nu} G_\nu^{B\rho} G_\rho^{C\mu}$



STXS bins



- $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$
- $H \rightarrow bb$
- $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$
- $H \rightarrow WW$
- $H \rightarrow ZZ$

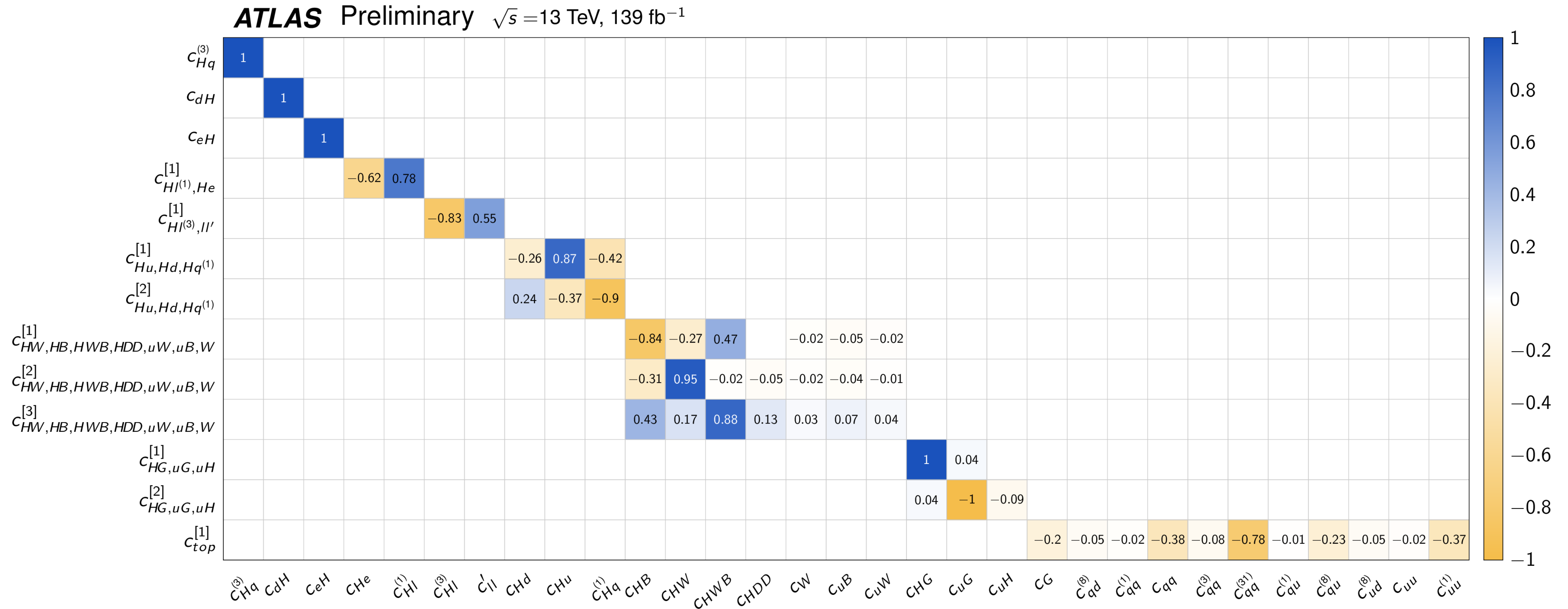
Decay BR.

- Considering only EFT contributions from the interference between the SM and the dim-6 SMEFT operators
  - pure dim-6 BSM not considered: as being suppressed by a factor  $1/\Lambda^4$ , expected to be small



# SMEFT Interpretation: measured parameters

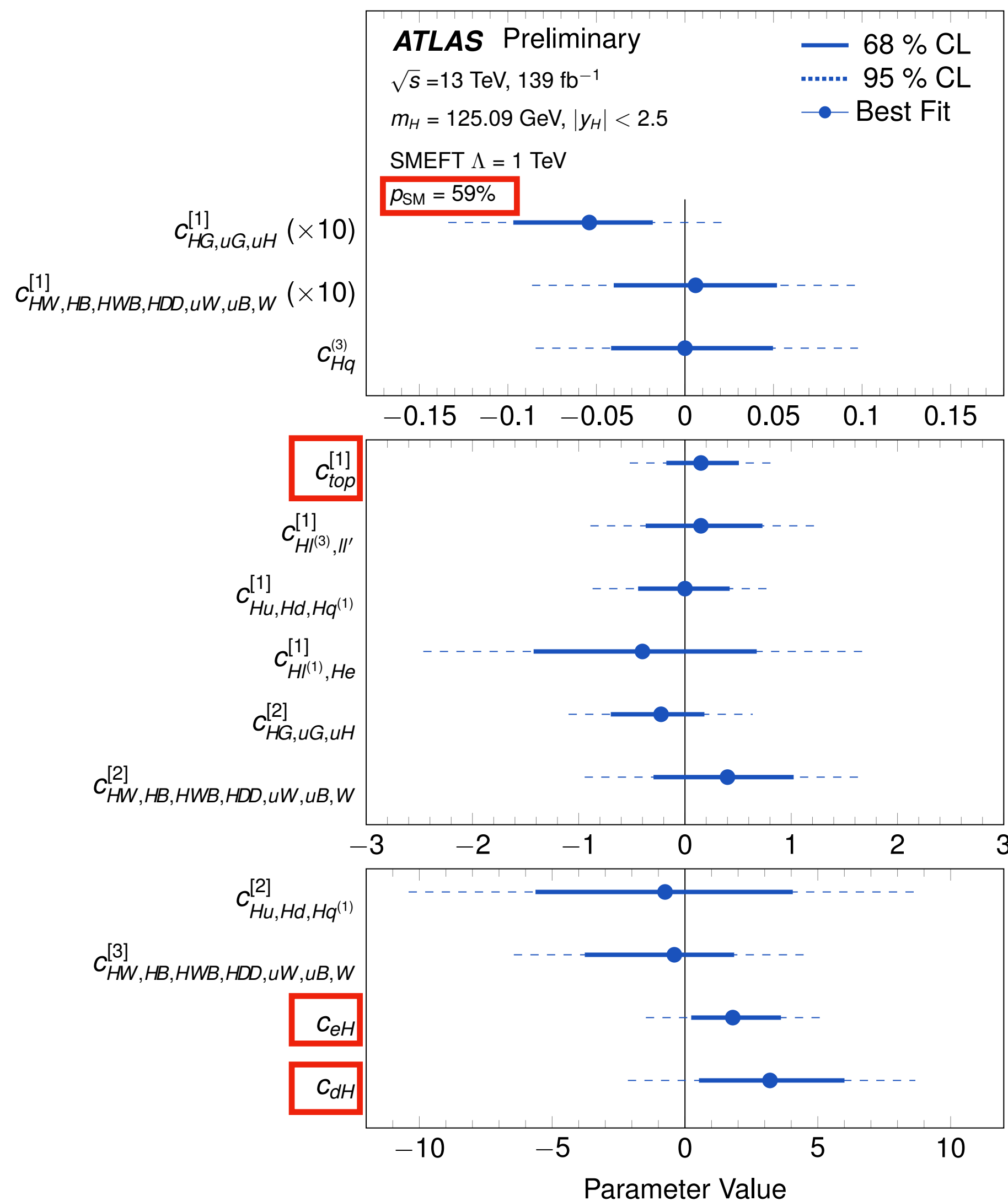
- Due to large number of parameters with complicated correlation, Cannot separately constrain all parameters
- Decompose into subspaces, motivated by correlations and physics concerns
- Set parameters with weak eigenvalues to 0 and fit resulting parameter set



# SMEFT Interpretation: results

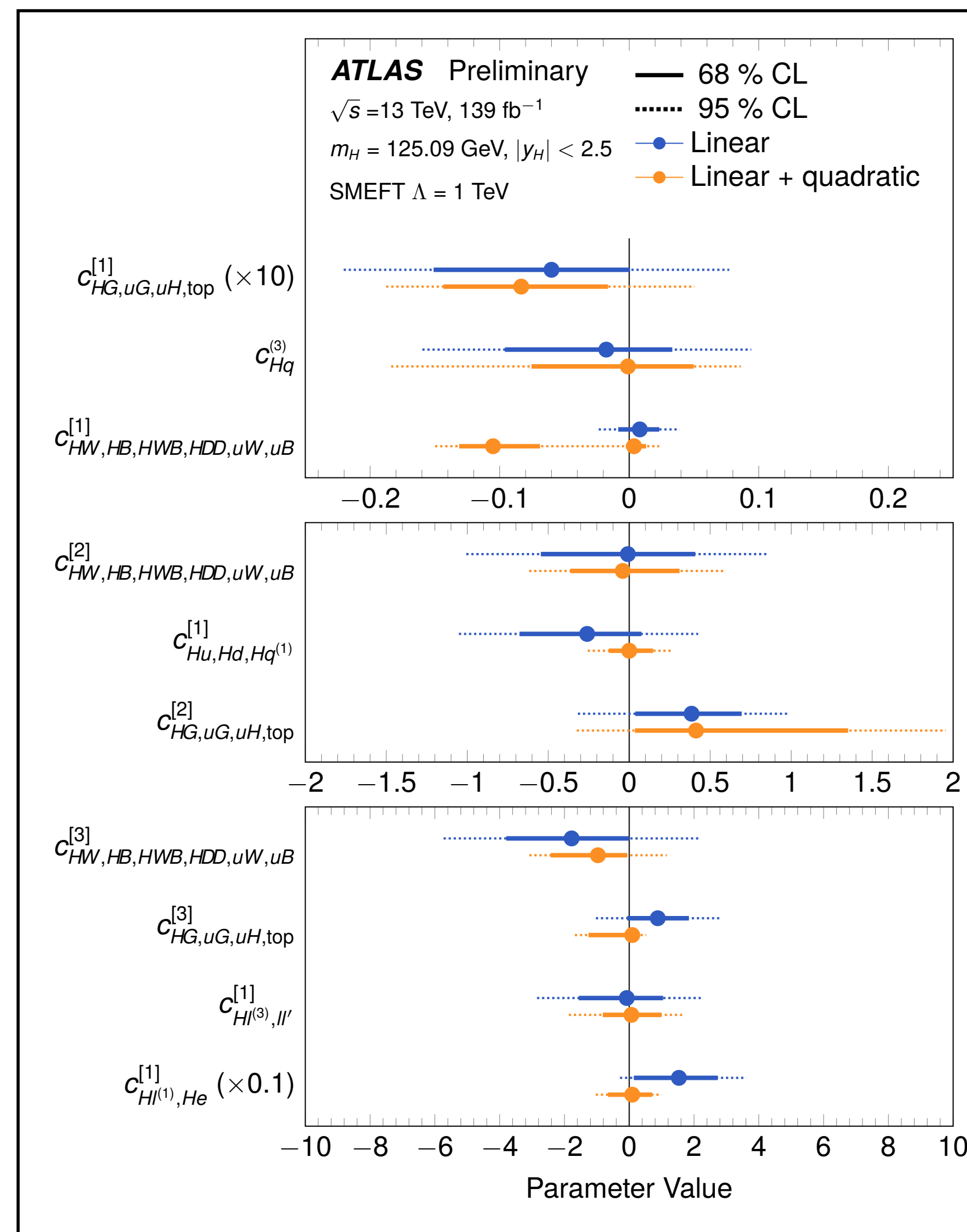
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- Parameter measurements



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- Previous measurements



Compared with the [previous results](#):

- Updated  $H \rightarrow \tau \tau$  result,  $c_{eH}$  can now be constrained
- VBF and  $ttH$  with  $H \rightarrow bb$ :  $c_{dH}$  and  $c_{top}$



# Interpretation in the $\kappa$ framework

- Assumption: BSM physics modifies only the strength of the Higgs-boson coupling
- Introduce **coupling-strength modifiers  $\kappa$**  to the leading-order contributions to each production and decay

$$\sigma_i \times B_f = \frac{\sigma_i(\boldsymbol{\kappa}) \times \Gamma_f(\boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\Gamma_H}$$

- Modifiers on Cross-section and partial decay width for SM process  $j$ :

$$\kappa_j^2 = \frac{\sigma_j}{\sigma_j^{\text{SM}}} \quad \text{or} \quad \kappa_j^2 = \frac{\Gamma_j}{\Gamma_j^{\text{SM}}}$$

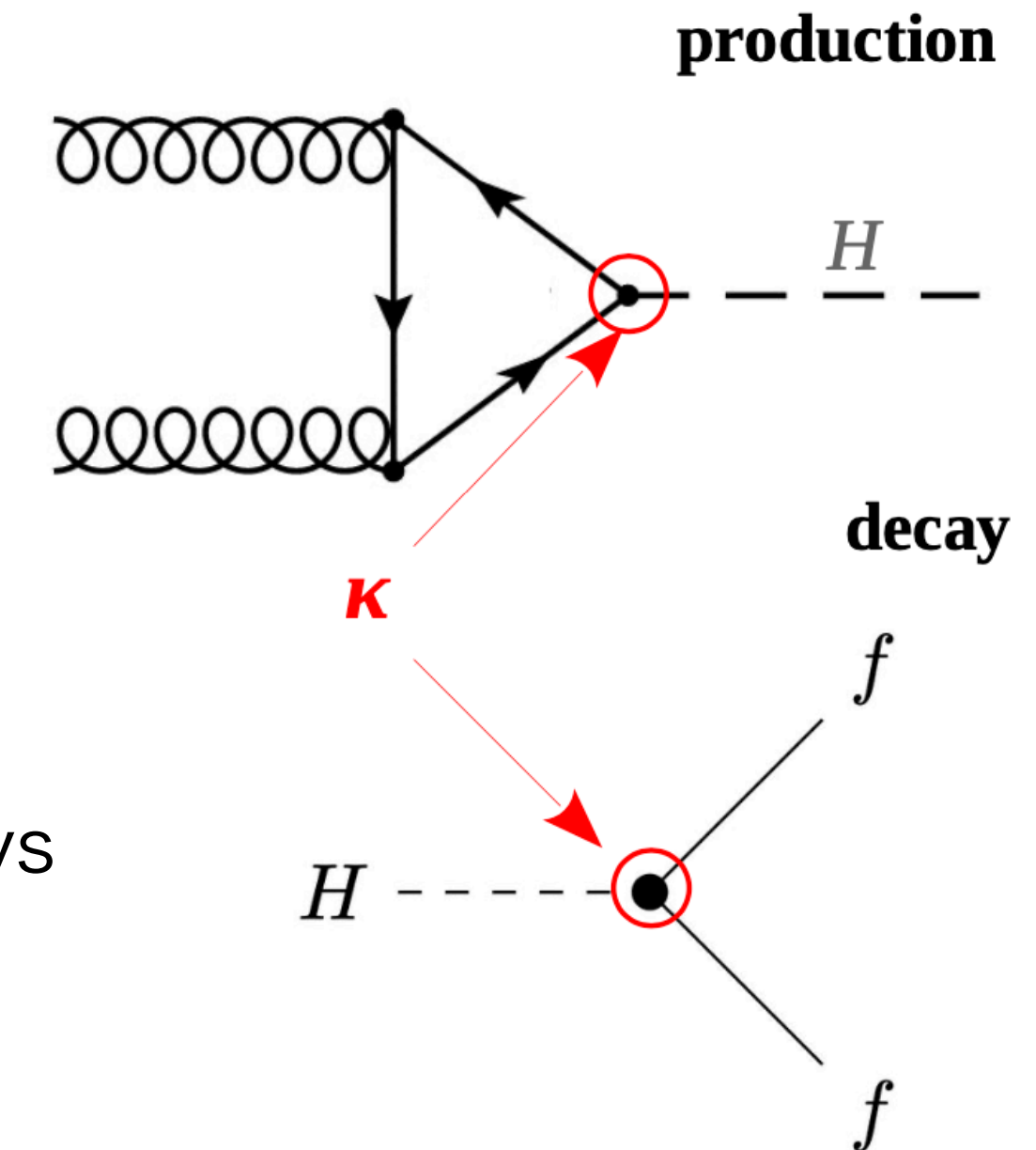
- Higgs total decay width:  $B_{i./u.}$ : branching ratio of invisible/undetected BSM decays

$$\Gamma_H(\boldsymbol{\kappa}, B_{i.}, B_{u.}) = \kappa_H^2(\boldsymbol{\kappa}, B_{i.}, B_{u.}) \Gamma_H^{\text{SM}}$$

where

$$\kappa_H^2(\boldsymbol{\kappa}, B_{i.}, B_{u.}) = \frac{\sum_j B_j^{\text{SM}} \kappa_j^2}{(1 - B_{i.} - B_{u.})}$$

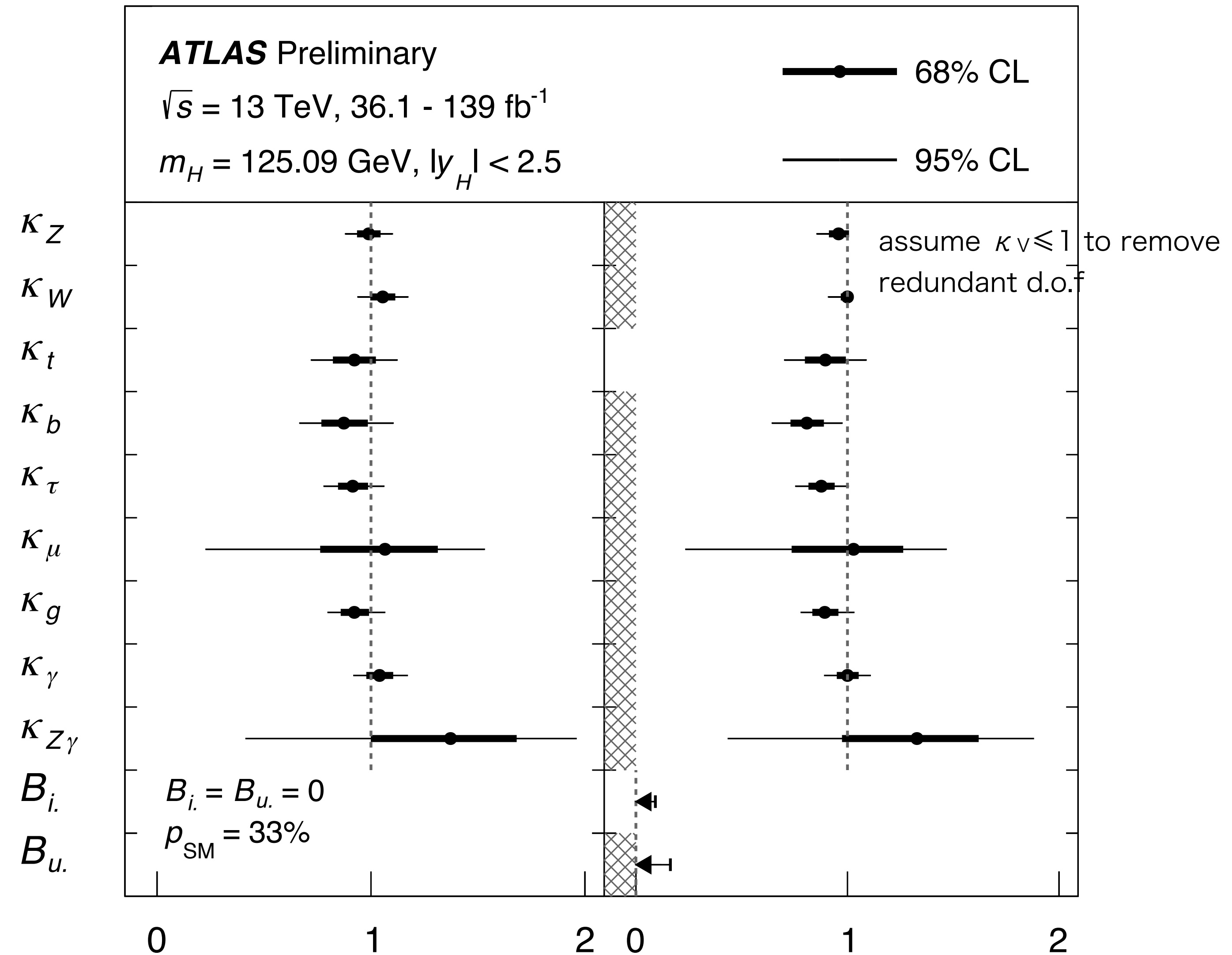
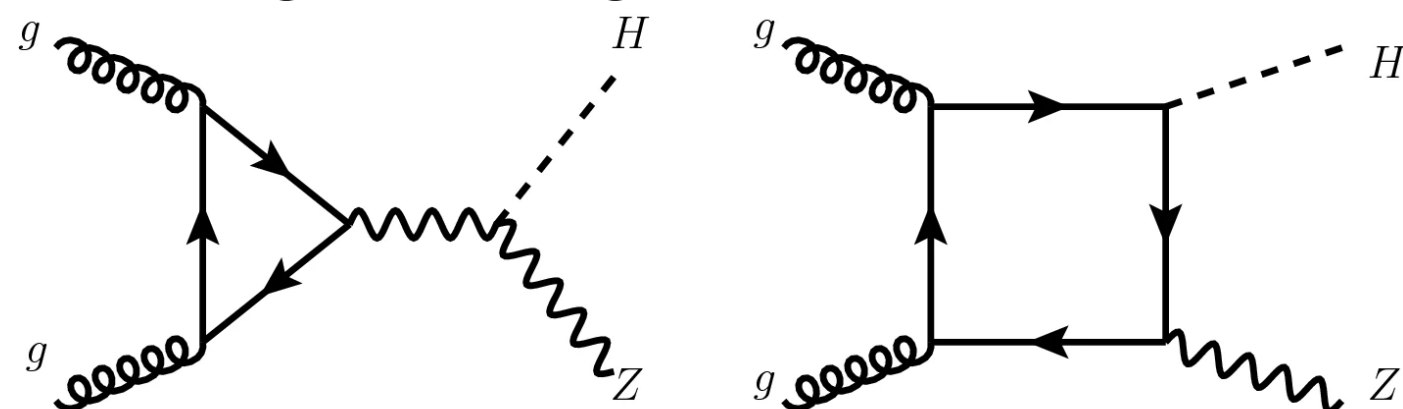
- BSM contributions may manifest themselves as  $\kappa_j \neq 1$  or  $B_{i./u.} \neq 0$ .



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# Generic parameterization

- Introduce coupling scale factors for the SM particles where there is sensitivity. Not resolving ggF and  $H\gamma\gamma$  effective vertices
- $\kappa_{Z\gamma}$ : first time included as effective  $H \rightarrow Z\gamma$  vertex in the Run2 combination
- Two scenarios for Higgs boson width
  - A. No BSM contributions ( $B_i = B_u = 0$ ) (left)
  - B.  $B_i$  and  $B_u$  free parameters and include VBF,  $H \rightarrow$  invisible to constraint  $B_i$ ,  $\kappa_V \leq 1$  to constrain  $B_u$ . (assumed to be positive) (right)
- Using tH and  $gg \rightarrow ZH$  process to constrain relative sign of t-H coupling  $\kappa_t$  w.r.t.  $\kappa_W$  and  $\kappa_Z$  excluding the negative  $\kappa_t$ :  $4.3\sigma$  in scenario (A).



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# Coupling modifier vs. particle mass

- Assume no BSM contribution in loop-induced processes (ggF,  $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$  etc.) or total width
- Probe all the coupling strengths for which there is sensitivity

- Best fitted values:

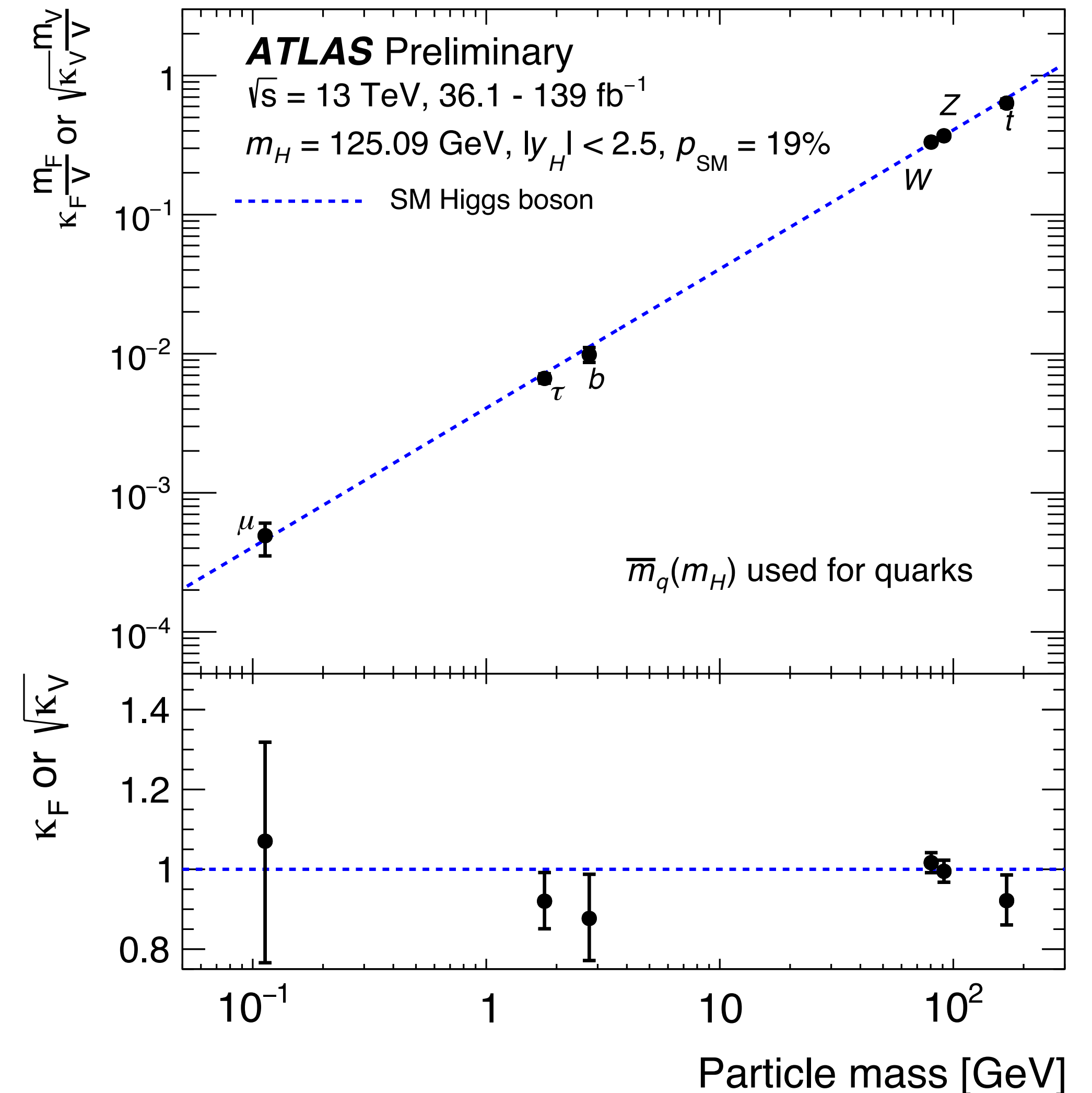
Parameter	Result
$K_Z$	$0.99 \pm 0.06$
$K_W$	$1.03 \pm 0.05$
$K_b$	$0.88 \pm 0.11$
$K_t$	$0.92 \pm 0.06$
$K_\tau$	$0.92 \pm 0.07$
$K_\mu$	$1.07^{+0.25}_{-0.31}$

improved by 9%~44%

thanks to newly updated updated  $H \rightarrow WW$ , (VBF, VH, ttH) bb and  $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$  comparing to

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- **Good agreement with the SM within uncertainties across 3 orders of magnitude in particle mass!**

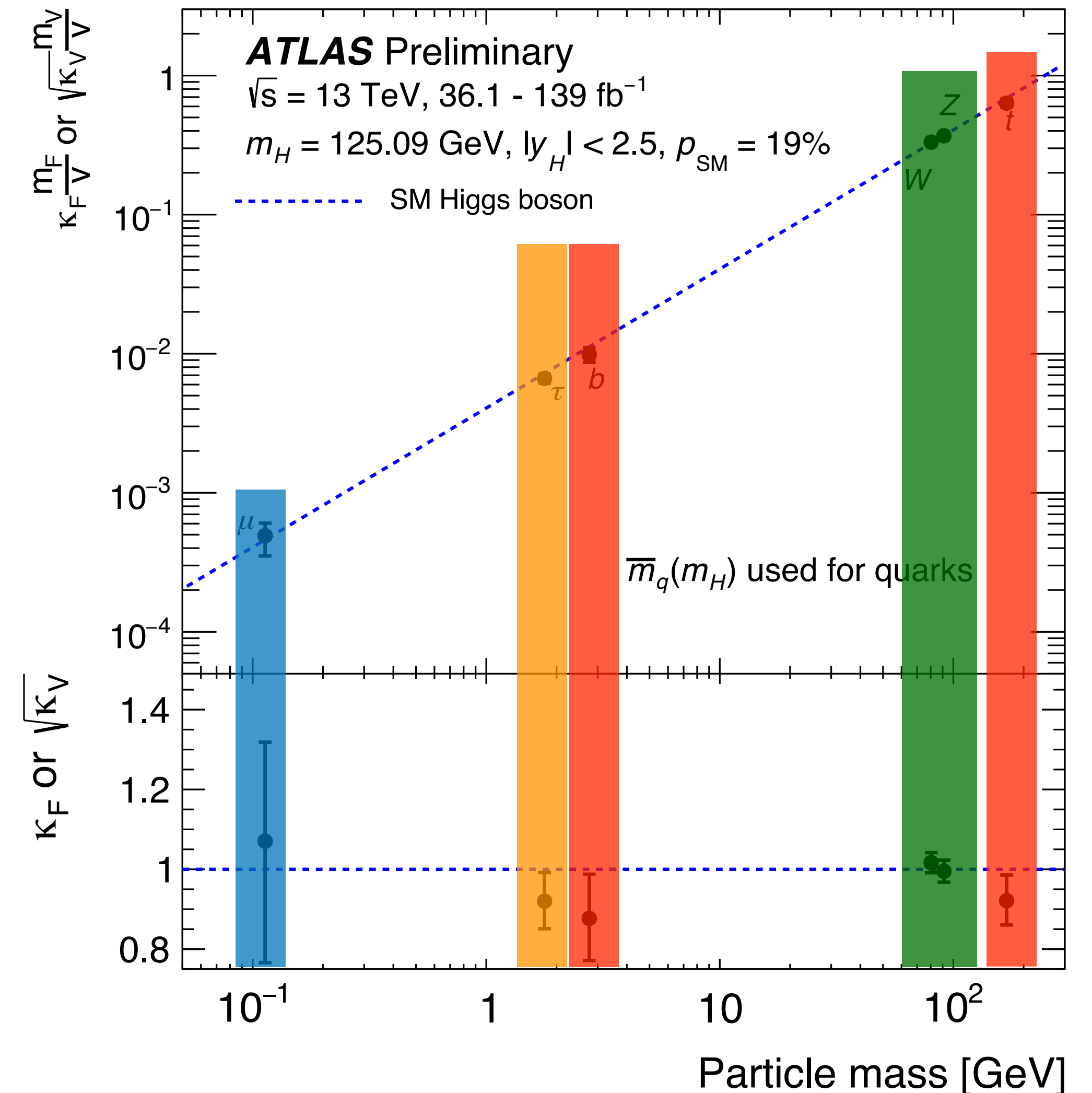


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# Not enough!

- Coupling to Vector Bosons
- Coupling to 3rd-gen. quarks and lepton
- Coupling to 2nd-gen. lepton
- It is also accessible to 2nd-gen. quark, c quark as well:
  - Targeting VH, categories based on # of leptons and (c-)jet
  - Challenging: high QCD background / modelling / c-tag
  - $\mu < 26(31) \times \text{SM obs. (exp.) @ 95\% CL}$  and  $|\kappa_c| < 8.5$
  - Included in "ATLAS Higgs combination nature paper" for 10th anniversary for the Higgs discovery
  - Submitted to Nature, coming soon!

One may wonder how about Higgs self-coupling?



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# Higgs self-couplings

- Higgs couplings with the elemental particles (  $\mu$ ,  $\tau$ ,  $\mathbf{b}$ ,  $\mathbf{W}$ ,  $\mathbf{Z}$ ,  $\mathbf{t}$  ), compatible with SM prediction, as shown previously
- Higgs self-coupling is also crucial

- Probe of the shape of the Higgs potential

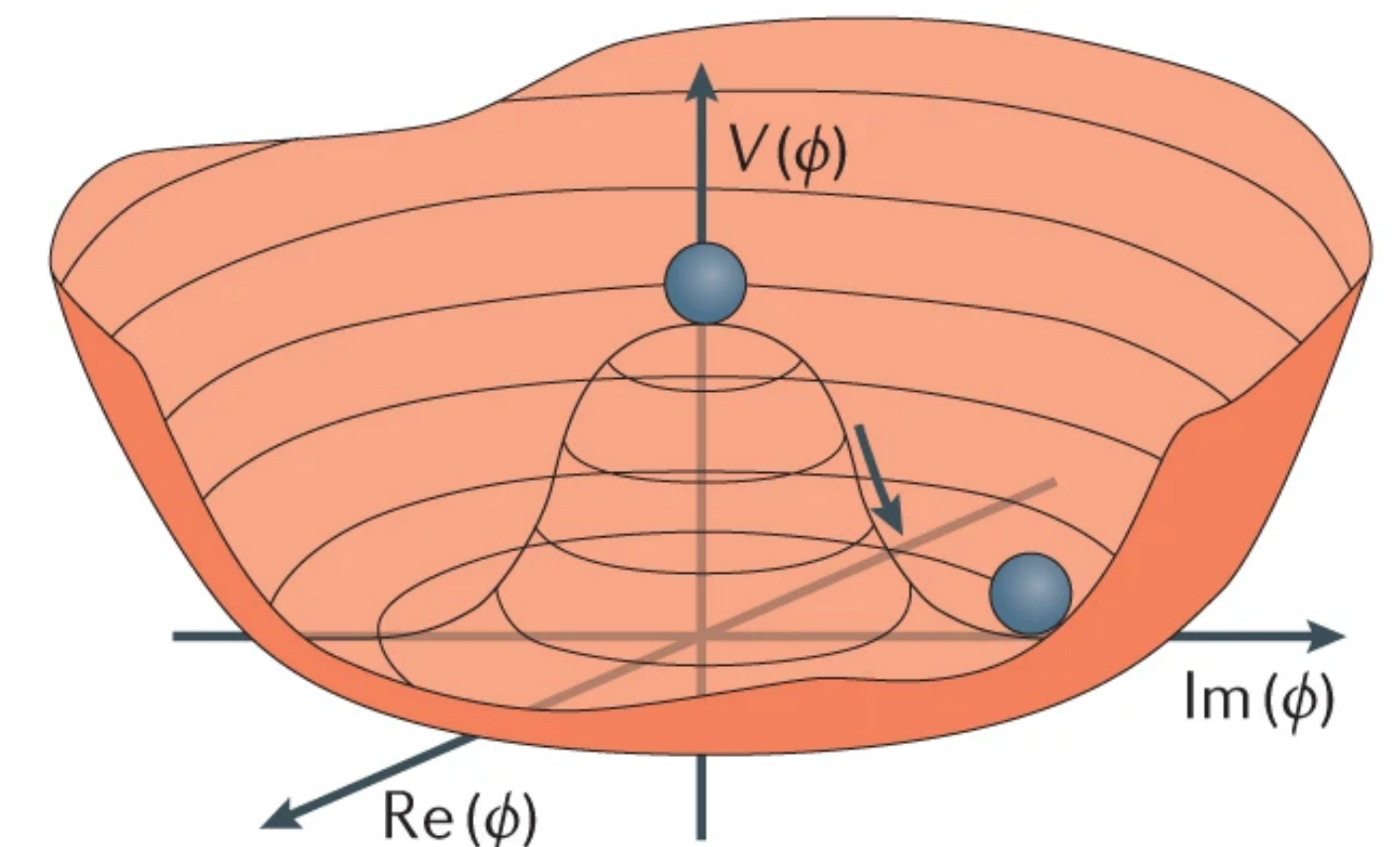
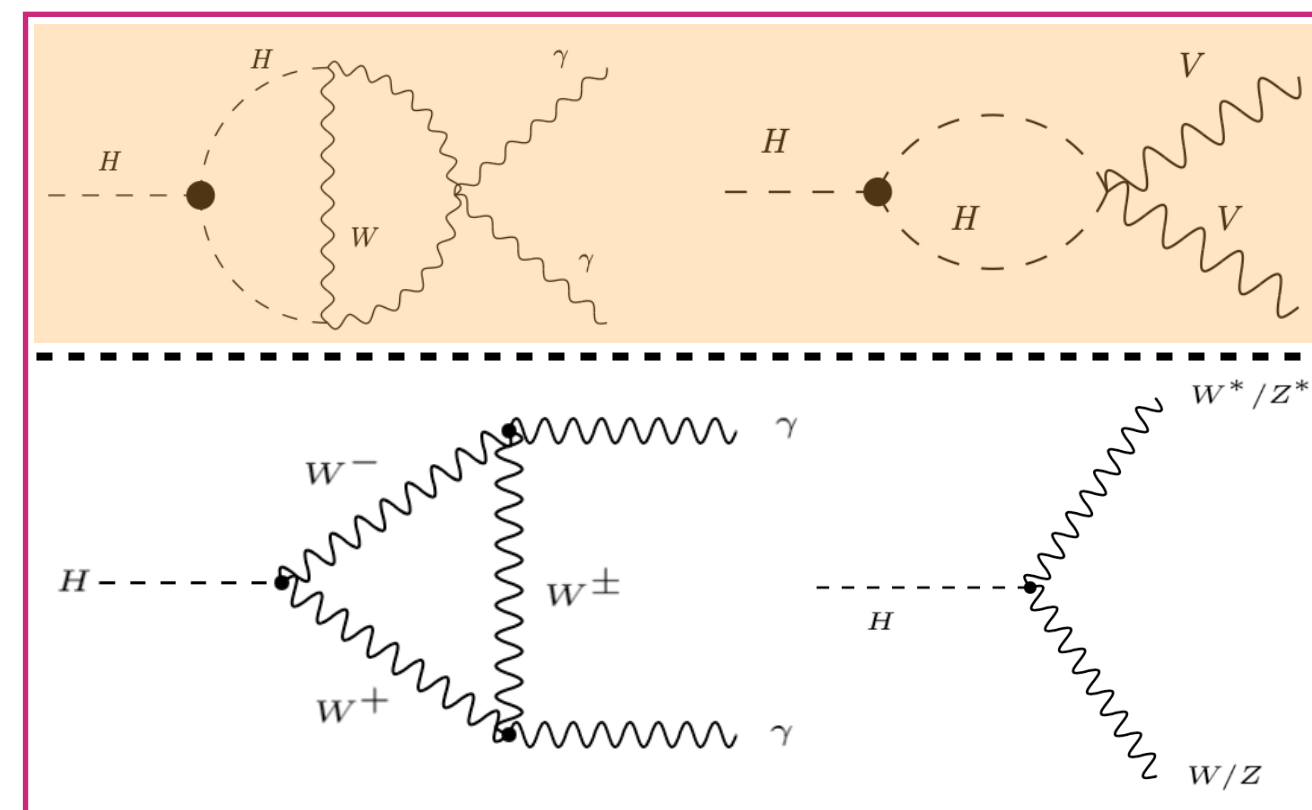
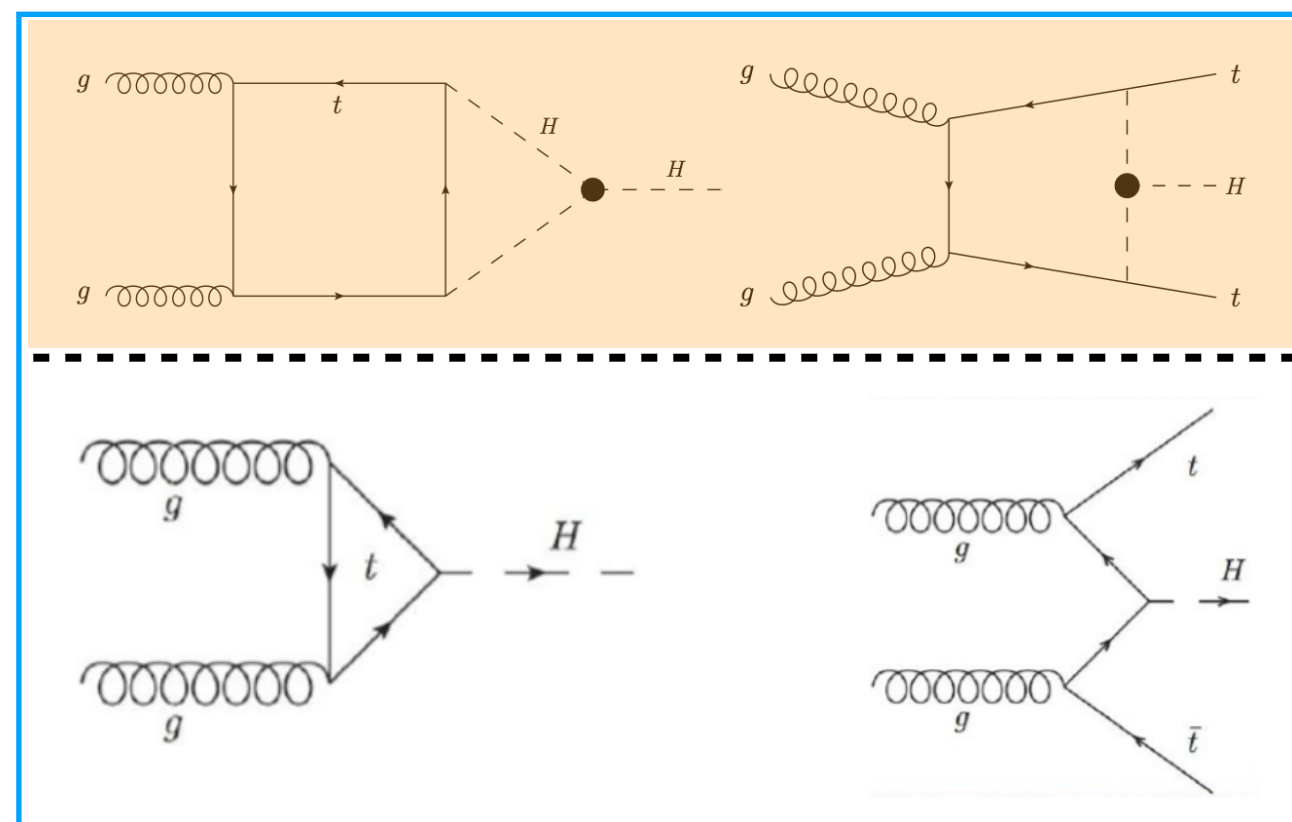
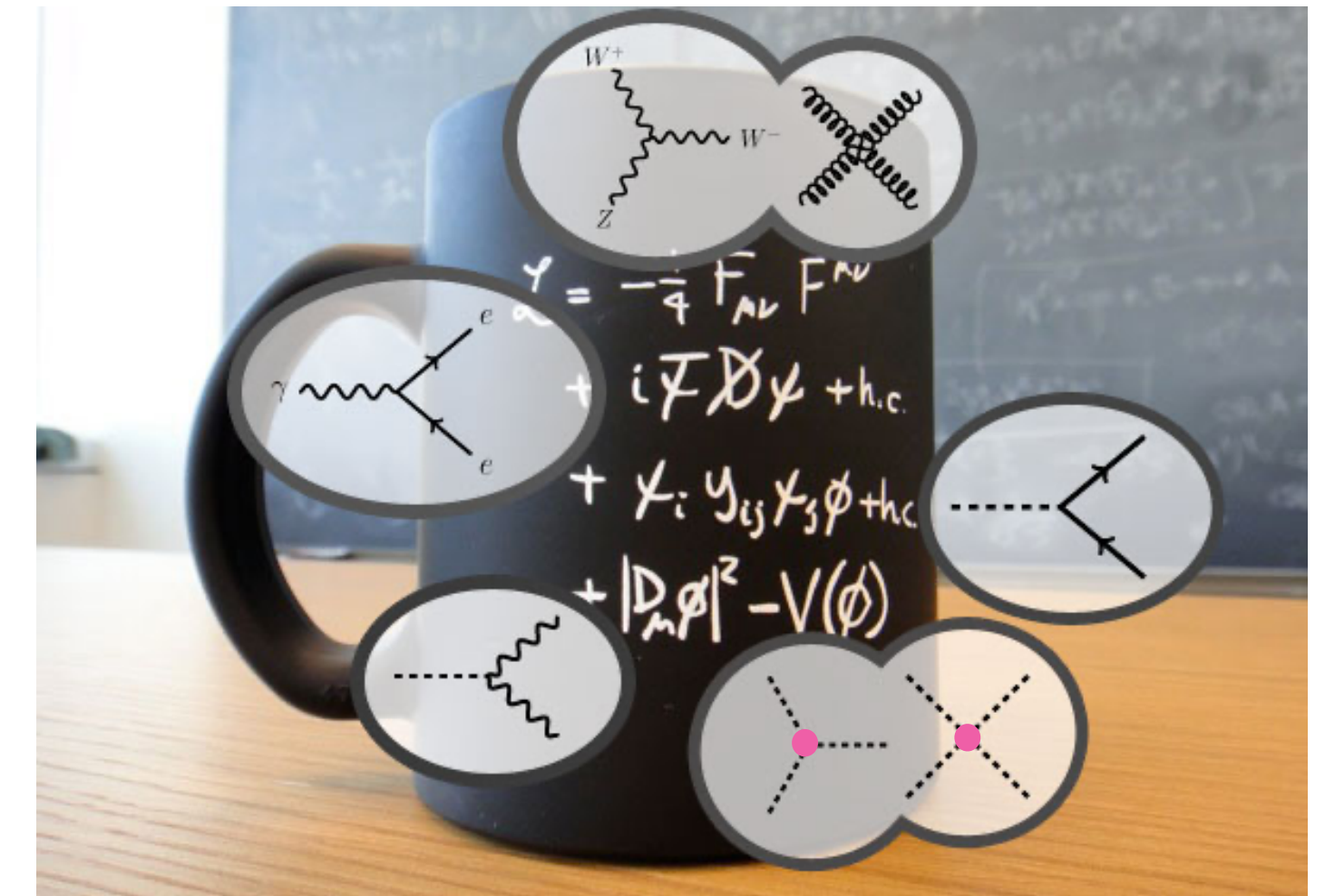
$$V = V_0 + \lambda v^2 h^2 + \lambda v h^3 + \frac{\lambda}{4} h^4$$

$$\lambda_{hhh} = \frac{m_h^2}{2v^2}$$

$$= V_0 + \frac{1}{2} m_h^2 h^2 + \frac{m_h^2}{2v^2} v h^3 + \frac{1}{4} \frac{m_h^2}{2v^2} h^4 \quad \kappa_\lambda = \kappa_3 = \frac{\lambda_{HHH}}{\lambda_{HHH}^{SM}}$$

- Standard Model (SM) prediction: the Higgs boson self coupling  $\lambda = \sim 0.13$
- However, the new physics can alter  $\lambda$ , thus measuring  $\kappa_\lambda$  is important for both studying the Higgs boson and probing physics Beyond the SM (BSM)

- Single Higgs **prod.** / **decay**: self-coupling presents in **higher order diagram**

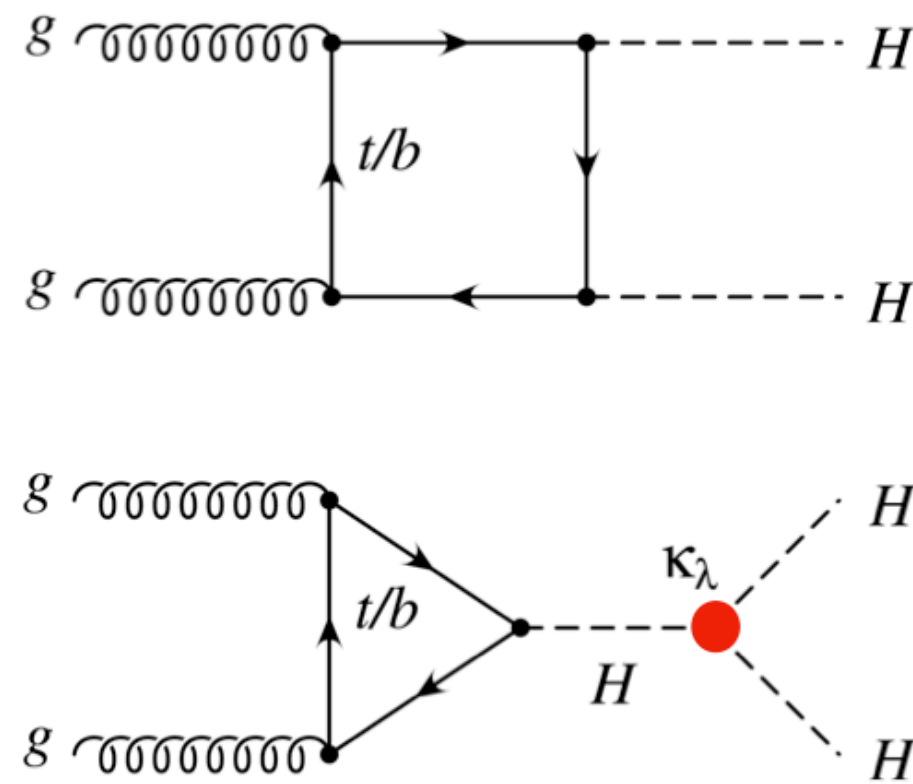


**Indirect!**

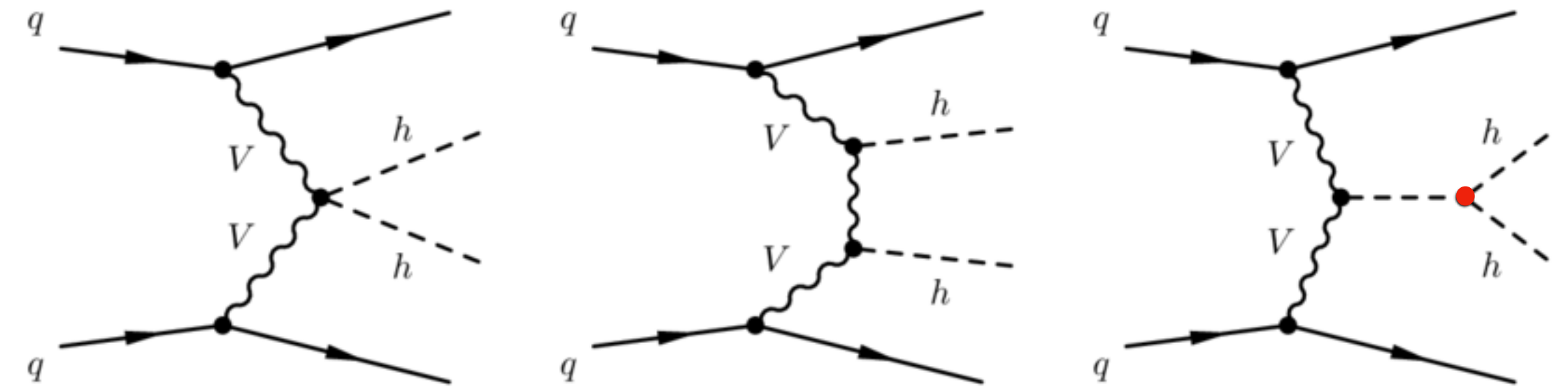
# $\kappa_\lambda$ in Di-Higgs production

- Di-Higgs production provides a direct access to  $\lambda$

ggF HH  
31.05 fb



VBF HH  
1.73 fb



- Around 4k HH events expected to be produced during the Run 2, complementarity and combination of various decay channels to maximize the sensitivity

	bb	WW	$\tau\tau$	ZZ	$\gamma\gamma$
bb	33%				
WW	25%	4.6%			
$\tau\tau$	7.4%	2.5%	0.39%		
ZZ	3.1%	1.2%	0.34%	0.076%	
$\gamma\gamma$	0.26%	0.10%	0.029%	0.013%	0.0005%

Measurement performed by recent ATLAS Di-Higgs analysis:

- HH**  $\rightarrow$  **bb** $\gamma\gamma$  : [ATLAS-CONF-2021-016](#)
- HH**  $\rightarrow$  **bb** $\tau\tau$  : [ATLAS-CONF-2021-030](#)

And:

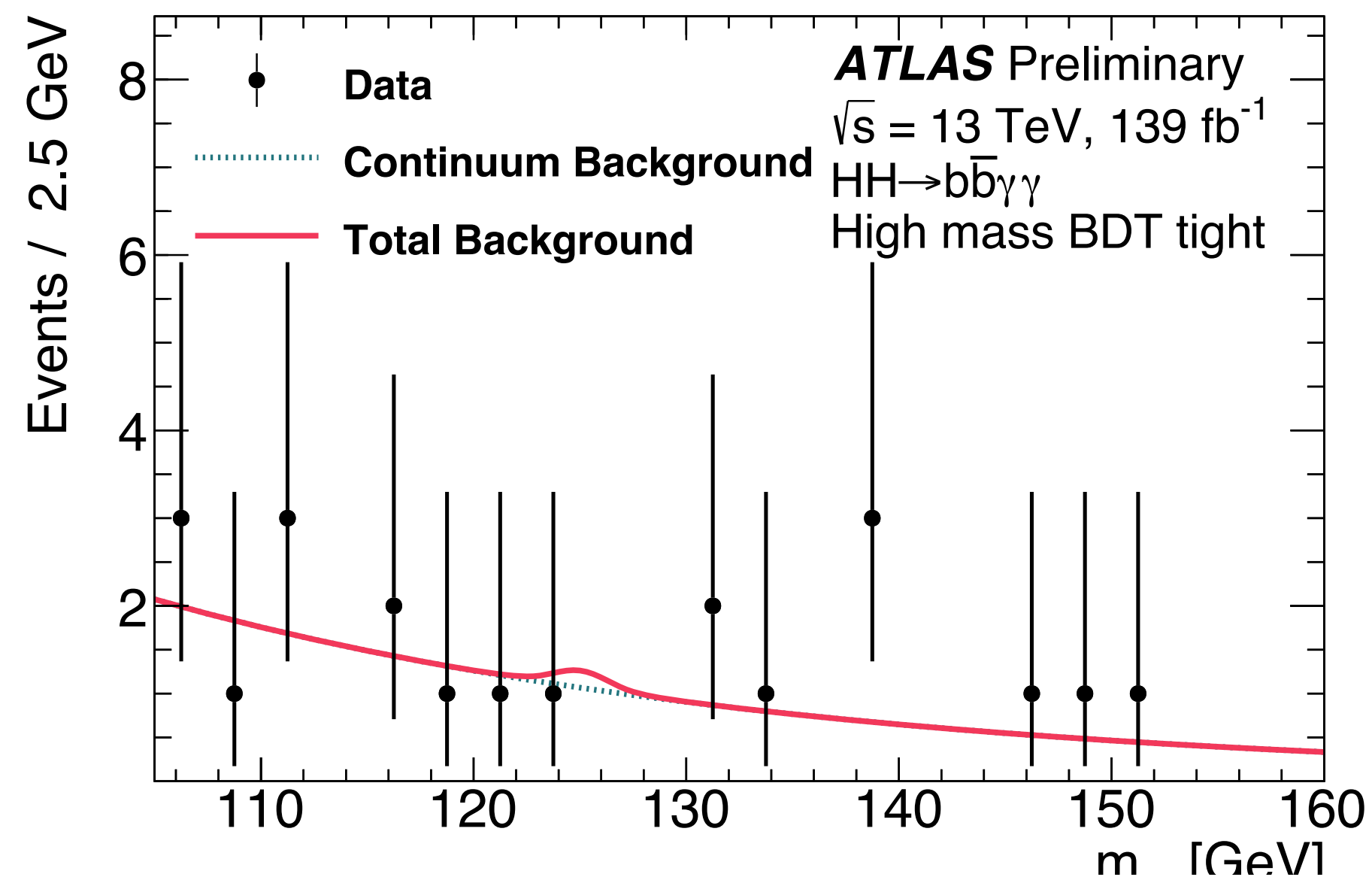
- Combination**: [ATLAS-CONF-2021-052](#)



# HH → bbγγ

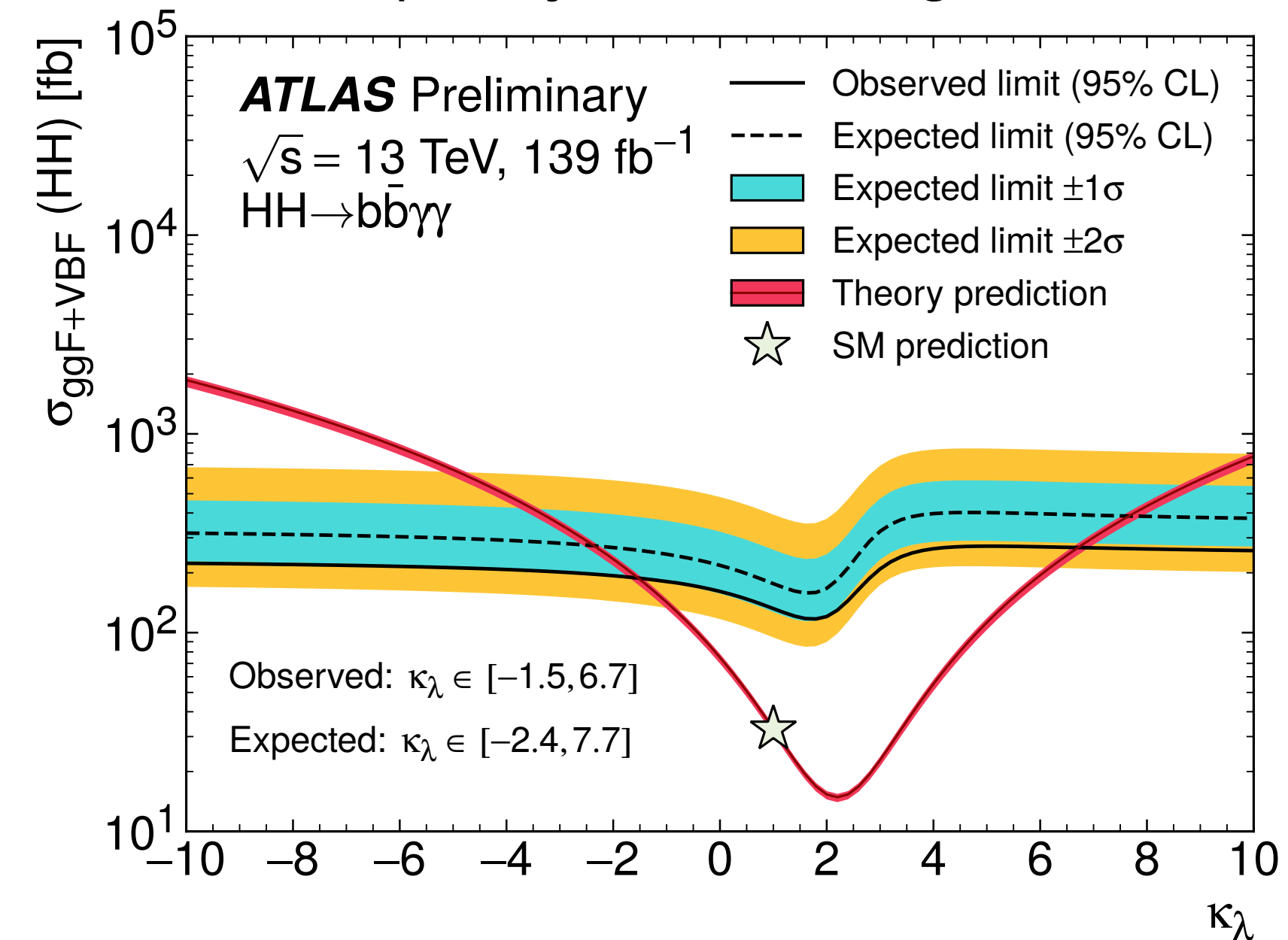
ATLAS-CONF-2021-016

- 0.26% of total HH BR, clean H → γγ signature for the trigger, selection and excellent resolution
- 2 photons with E<sub>T</sub> > 35 (25) GeV; 2b-jets (DL1r, 77%)
- 105 GeV < m<sub>γγ</sub> < 160 GeV → final discriminant for fitting simultaneously in 4 categories:
  - split by m<sup>\*</sup><sub>bbγγ</sub> ( = m<sub>bbγγ</sub> - m<sub>bb</sub> - m<sub>γγ</sub> + 250 GeV ) at 350 GeV, and then further split by BDT into tight and loose



Obs. (exp.) upper limits on  $\sigma_{HH}$  are set as 4.1 (5.5) times the SM prediction at 95% CL

5× improvement comparing with previous result (25×SM), 3× due to analysis improvement



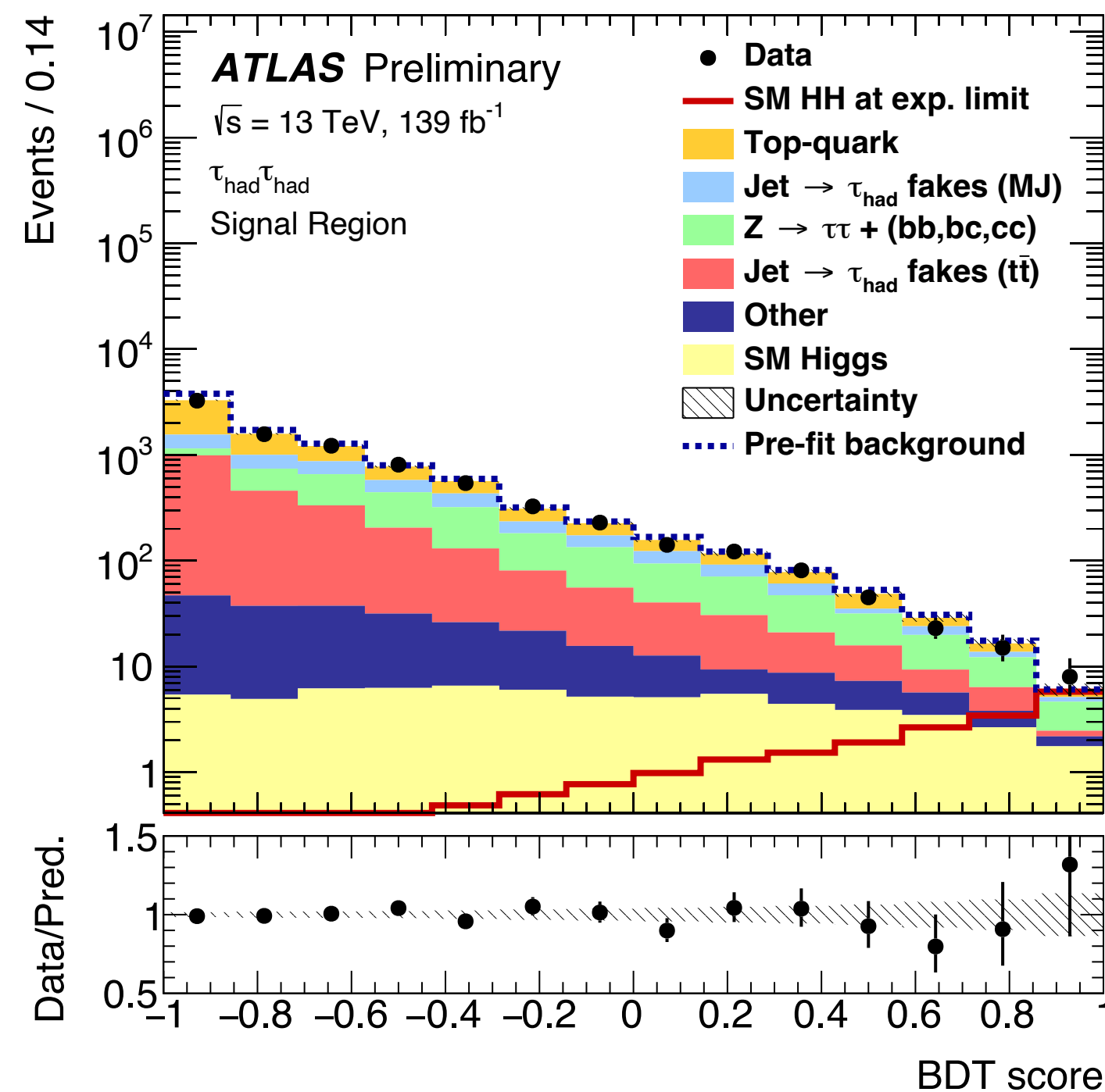
Obs. (exp.) constraint on  $\kappa_\lambda$  is  $-1.5 \leq \kappa_\lambda \leq 6.7$  ( $-2.4 \leq \kappa_\lambda \leq 7.7$ ) at 95%CL

Previous limits (36.1 fb<sup>-1</sup> analysis):  $-8 < \kappa_\lambda < 13$

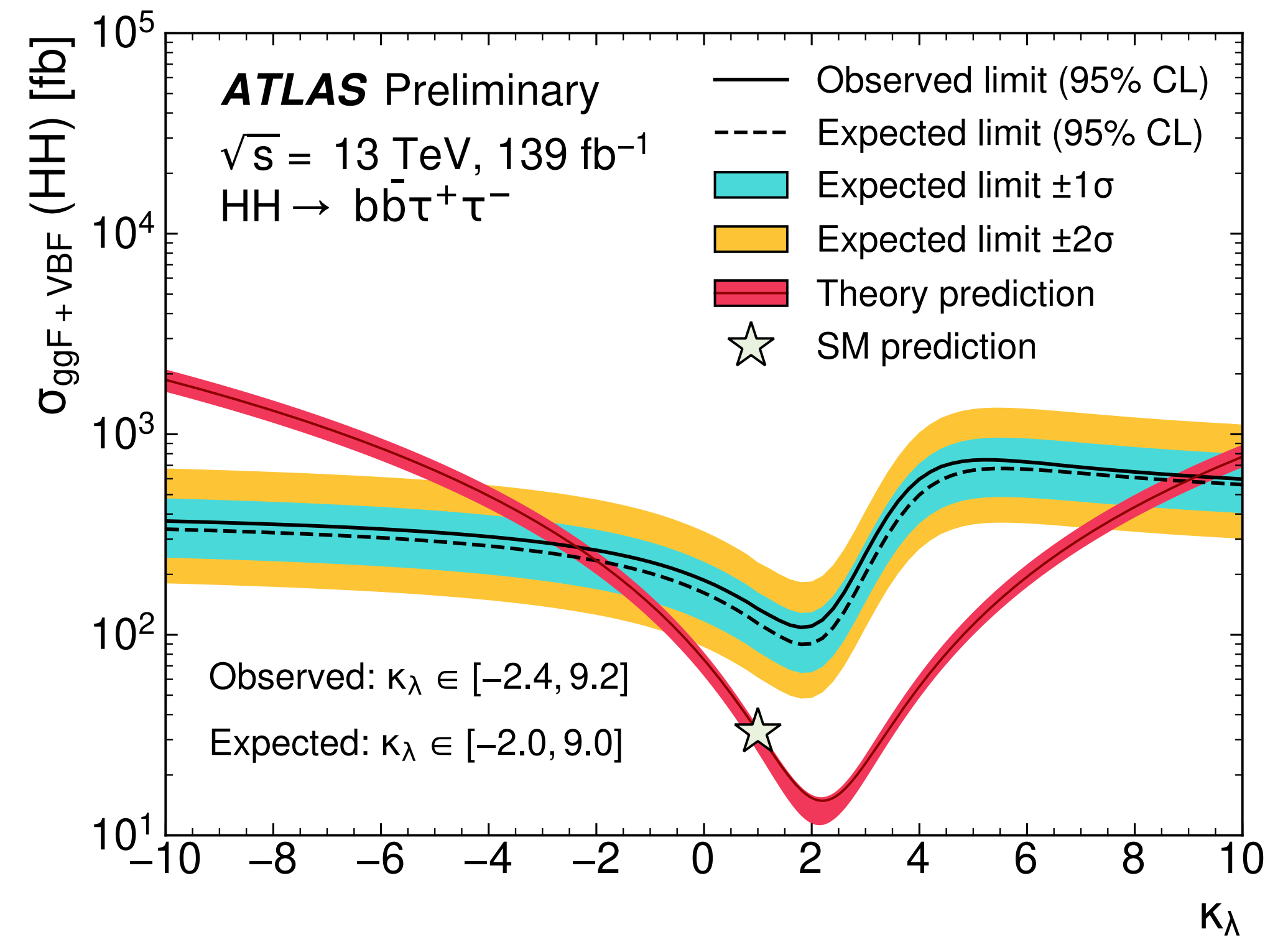
# HH → bbττ

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- 7.4% of the total HH branching ratio (BR): relatively clean signature and low background
- Signal signature: two b-tagged jets (DL1r tagger, 77%) and  $\tau_{\text{had}} \tau_{\text{had}} / \tau_{\text{lep}} \tau_{\text{had}}$  with opposite charge
- Multivariate (MVA) method used for signal and background separation



Observed (expected) upper limits on the SM HH production cross-section are set as 4.7 (3.9) times the SM prediction at 95% CL



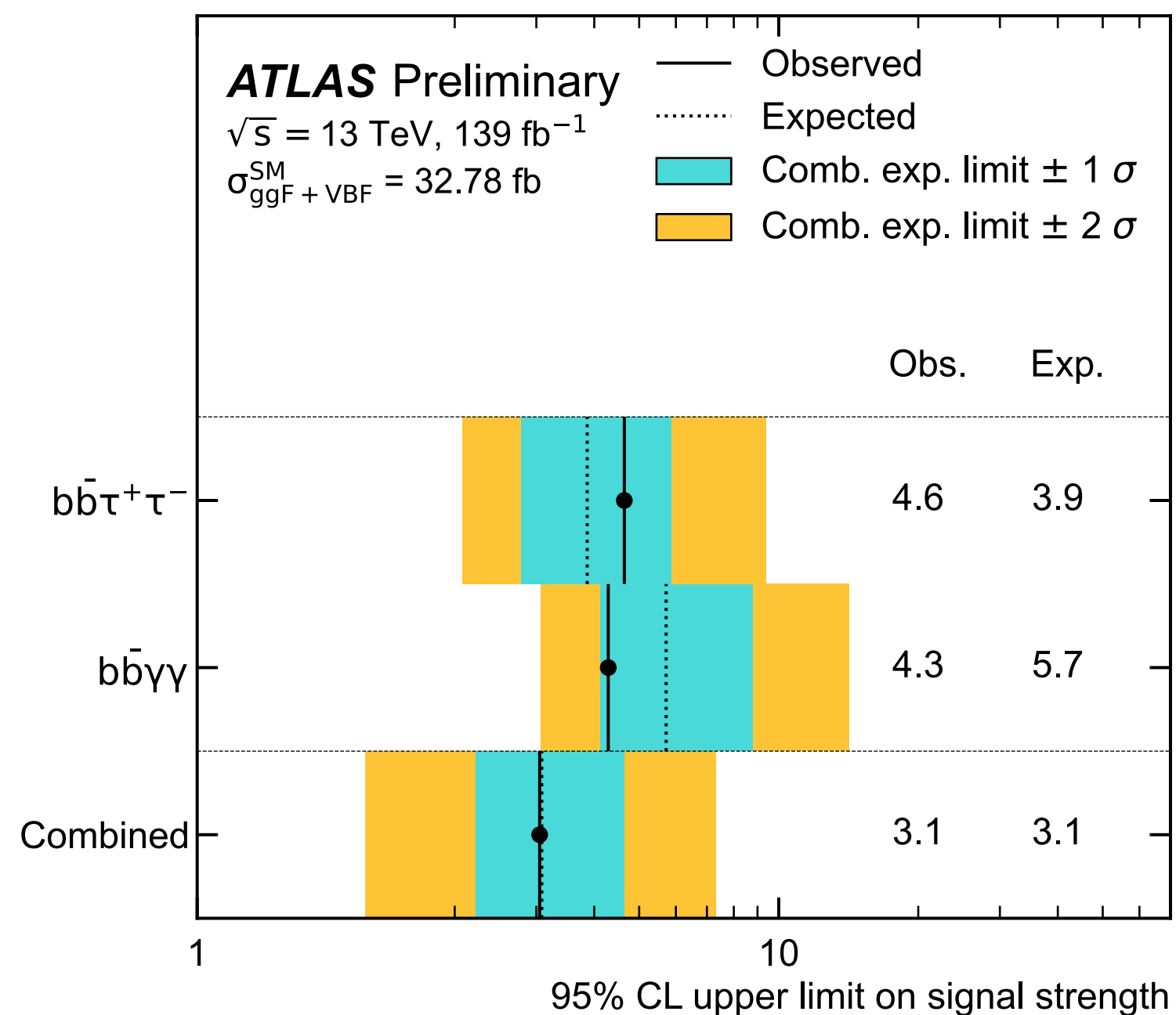
Observed (expected) constraint on  $\kappa_\lambda$  is  
 $-2.4 \leq \kappa_\lambda \leq 9.2$  ( $-2.0 \leq \kappa_\lambda \leq 9.0$ ) at 95% CL



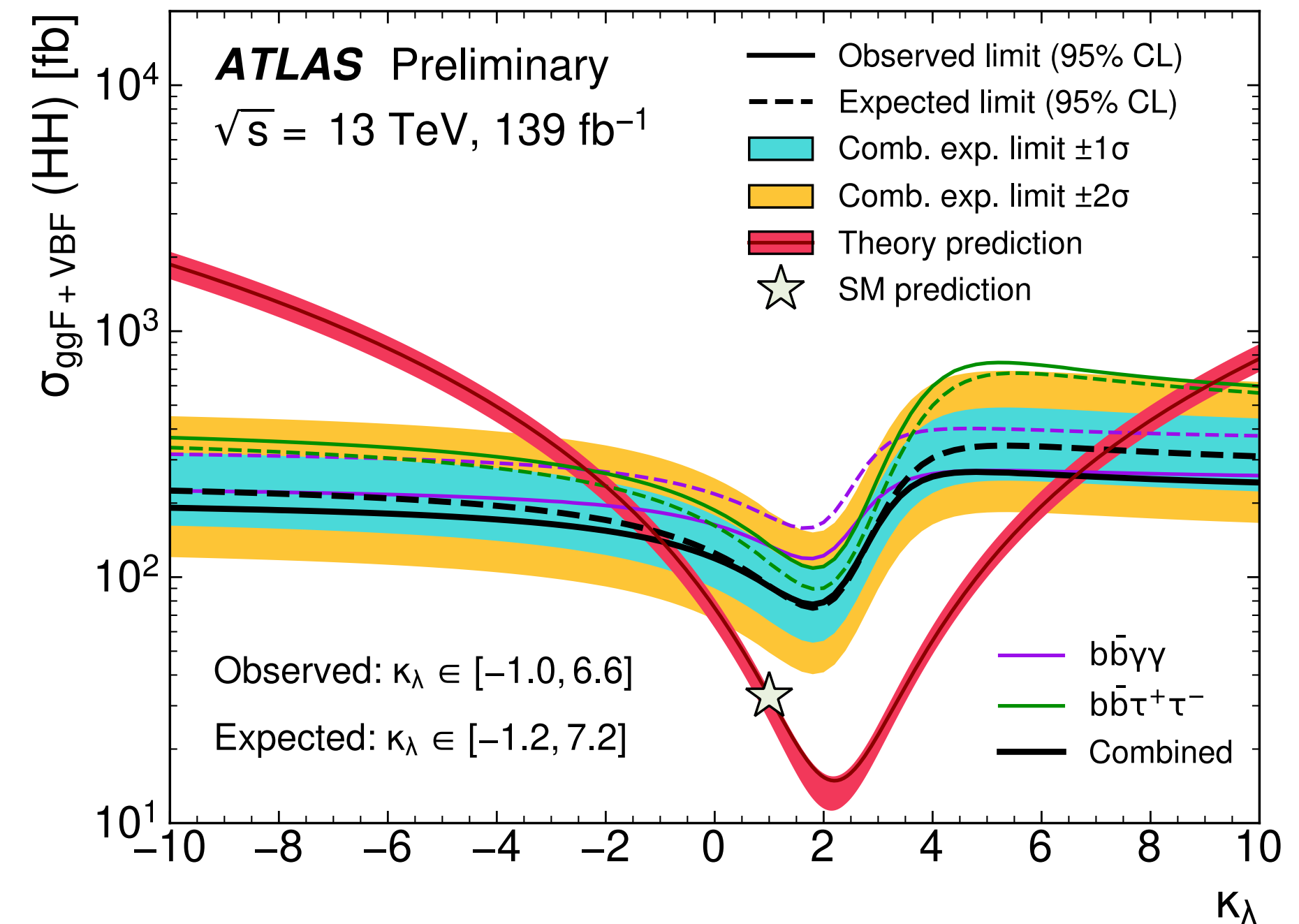
# $\kappa_\lambda$ Measurement from the HH combination

- Performed statistical combination for different HH analyses to maximize sensitivity to SM and BSM HH production
  - including  $bb\tau\tau$  and  $bb\gamma\gamma$ :  $bb\tau\tau$  has better sensitivity at around  $\kappa_\lambda = 1$  due to more boosted signal and higher BR, while  $bb\gamma\gamma$  outperforms at high  $\kappa_\lambda$  values due to high acceptance
- Systematics correlated where appropriate (like luminosity, flavor tagging, signal theory uncertainties, etc)

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Obs. (exp.) upper limits on  $\sigma_{\text{HH}}$  are set as 3.1 (3.1) times SM prediction

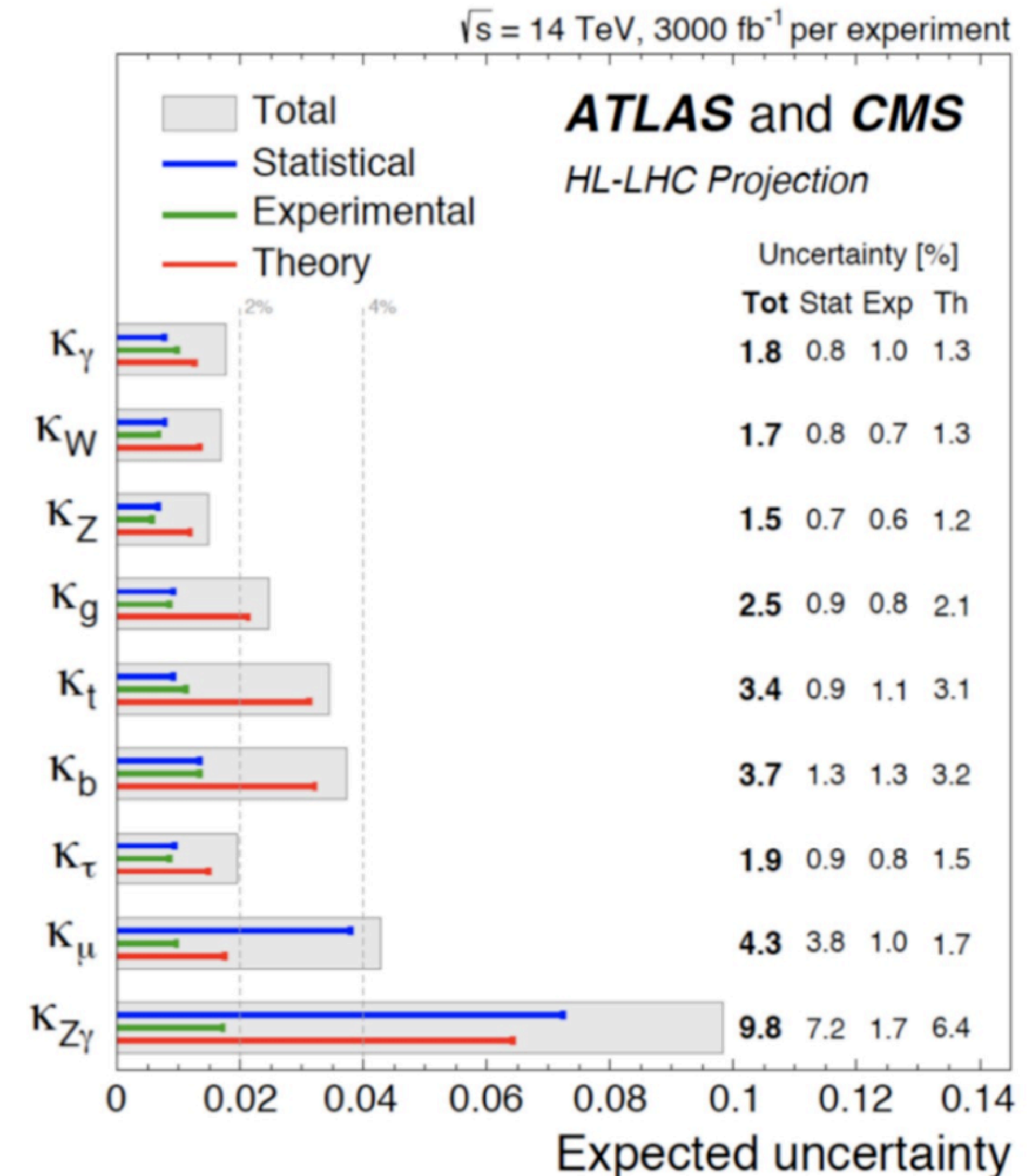


Obs. (exp.) constraint on  $\kappa_\lambda$  is  $-1.0 \leq \kappa_\lambda \leq 6.6$  ( $-1.2 \leq \kappa_\lambda \leq 7.2$ )

The best constraints on HH signal strength and  $\kappa_\lambda$  up to date!

# Conclusions and outlook

- Combination of analyses based on up to 139 fb<sup>-1</sup> of Run 2 data improves precision **ATLAS-CONF-2021-053**
- All measurements in good agreement with the SM within current uncertainty, but still space for new physics.
- The latest HH searches with bb $\tau\tau$  and bb $\gamma\gamma$  presented, as well as the HH combination **ATLAS-CONF-2021-052**
- Significant improvement on the results comparing with the previous publications:  
**the best constraints on HH signal strength and  $\kappa_\lambda$  is shown!**
- More analyses and combinations in progress using full Run-2 statistics!
  - Full Run-2 and Run-3 will amount to 350-400 fb<sup>-1</sup>
  - Improvements of analysis methods and treatment of systematics
- The HL-LHC could dramatically expand our Higgs physics reach
  - More challenging environment but 2-4 % precision of the couplings.





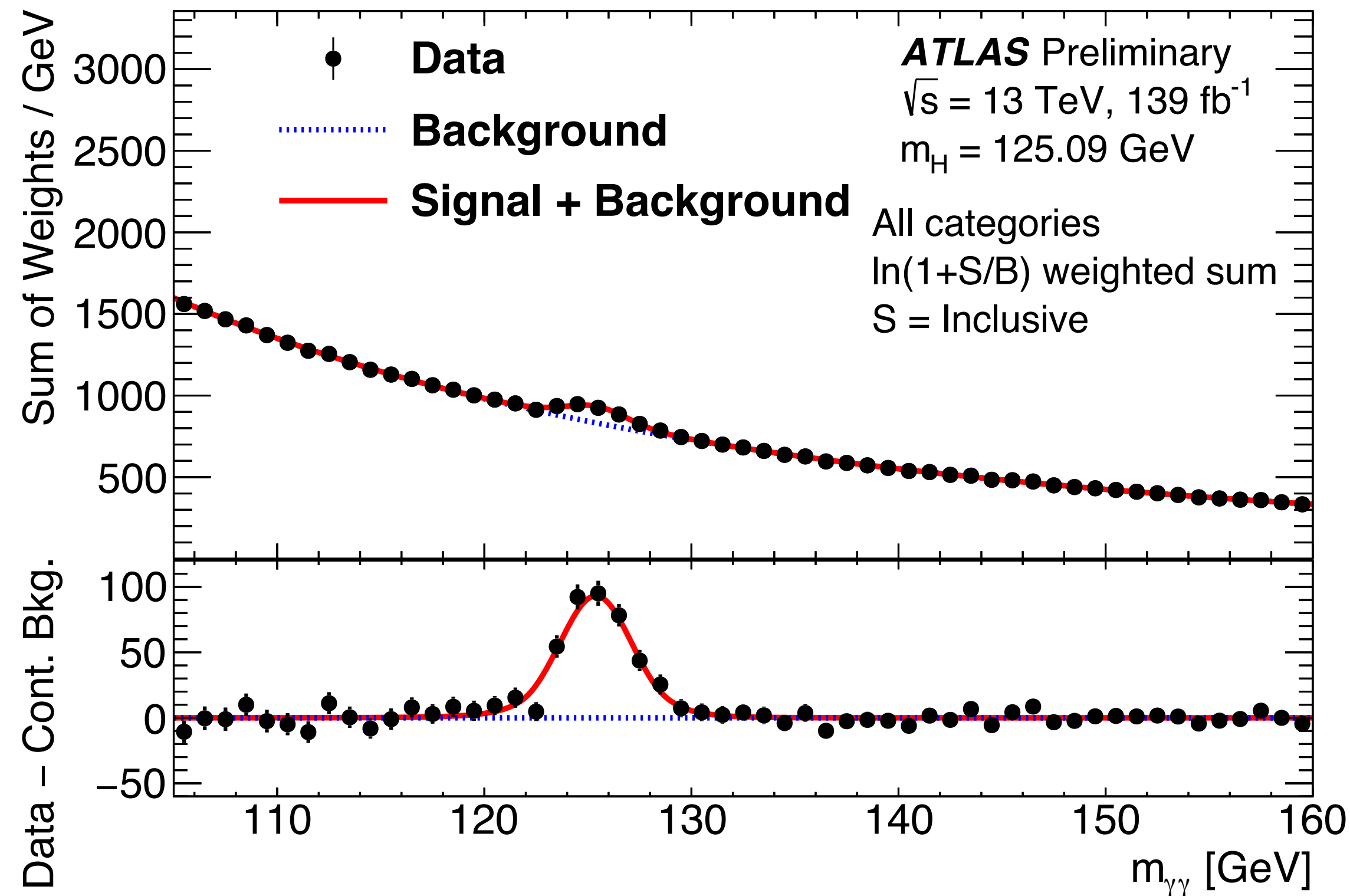
# Backup and bonus

# Reference

- Combined measurements of Higgs boson production and decay using up to 139-1 of proton - proton collision data at  $\sqrt{s} = 13$  TeV collected with the ATLAS experiment [ATLAS-CONF-2021-053](#)
- H $\gamma\gamma$ : [ATLAS-CONF-2020-026](#)
- HZZ: [Eur. Phys. J. C 80 \(2020\) 957](#)
- ttHWW/ZZ/tautau: [Phys. Rev. D 97 \(2018\) 072003](#)
- HWW: [ATLAS-CONF-2021-014](#)
- H  $\rightarrow$   $\tau$   $\tau$ : [ATLAS-CONF-2021-044](#)
- VHbb: [Eur. Phys. J. C 81 \(2021\) 178](#) [Phys. Lett. B 816 \(2021\) 136204](#) [ATLAS-CONF-2021-051](#)
- VBFbb: [Eur. Phys. J. C. 81 \(2021\) 537](#)
- ttHbb: [CERN-EP-2021-202](#)
- Hmumu: [Phys. Lett. B 812 \(2021\) 135980](#)
- HZ $\gamma$ : [Phys. Lett. B 809 \(2020\) 135754](#)
- VBFHinvisible: [ATLAS-CONF-2020-008](#)



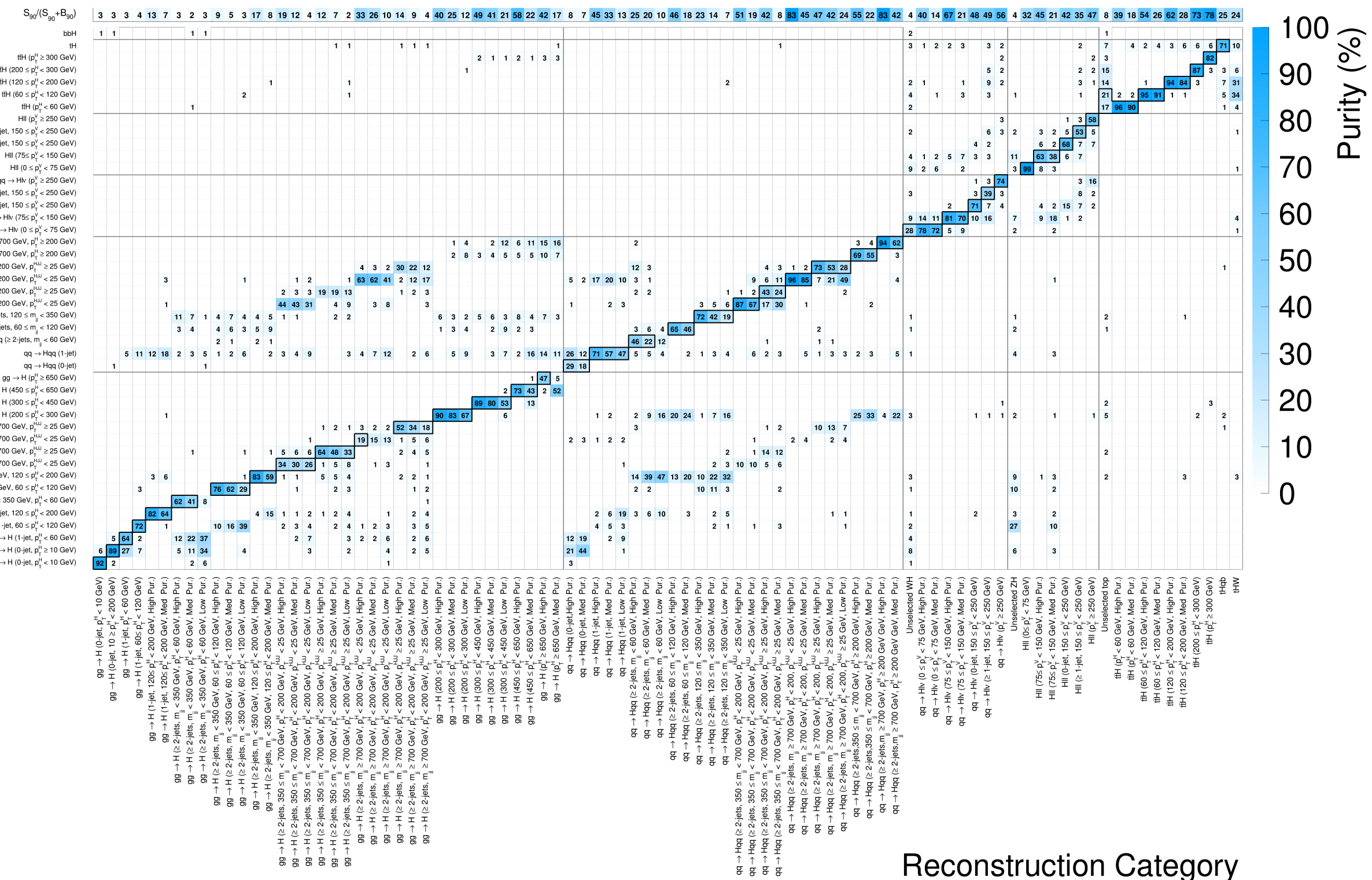
# H → γγ (139 fb<sup>-1</sup>)



STXS Region

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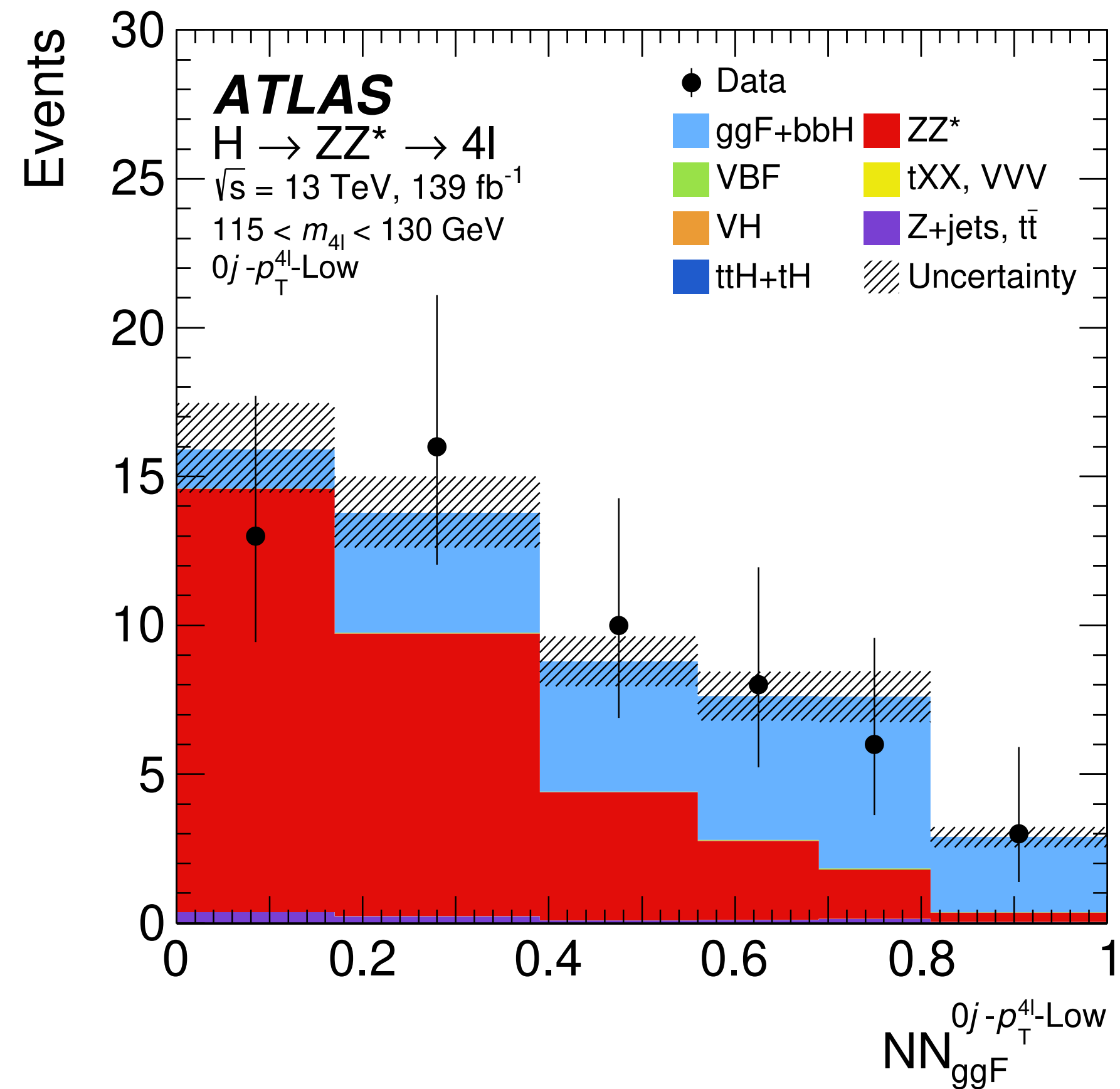
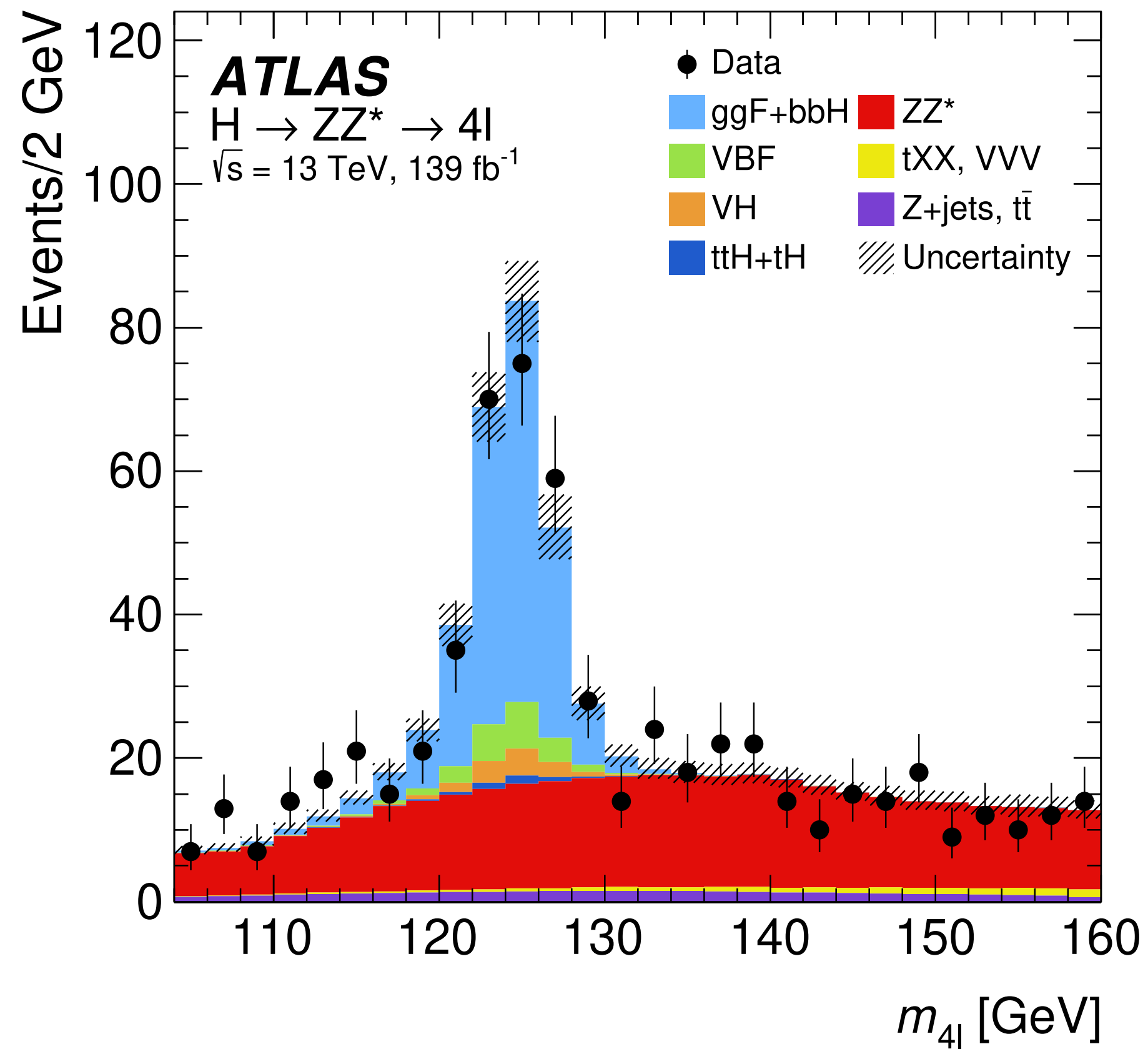
H → γγ,  $\sqrt{s} = 13 \text{ TeV}$



- Large background, but excellent sensitivity ensured by very good photon efficiency and resolution
- Analysis categories designed to isolate out events from different production modes
- Also explores different kinematic regions within production modes

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# $H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 4l$ ( $l=e, \mu$ ) ( $139 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ )

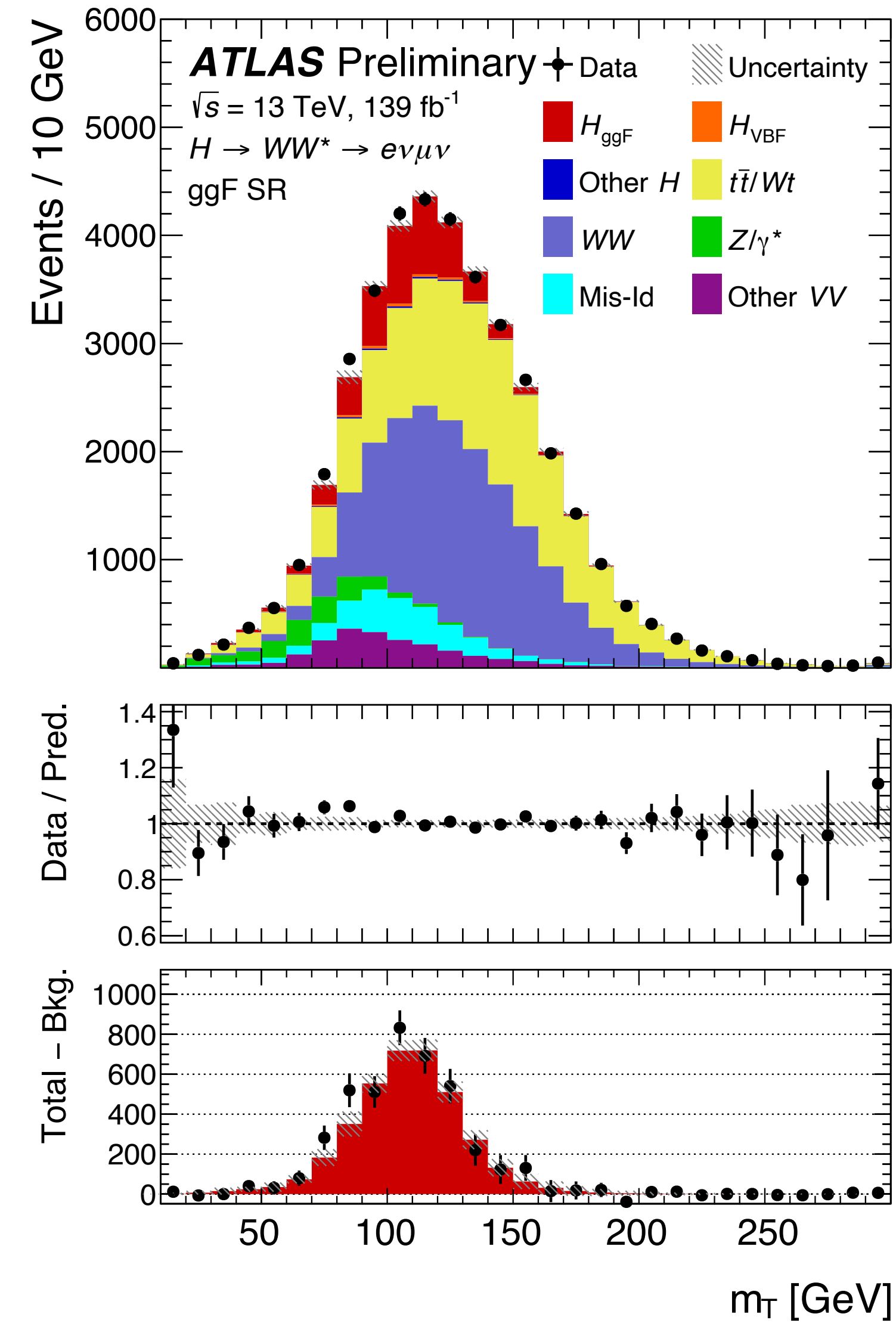
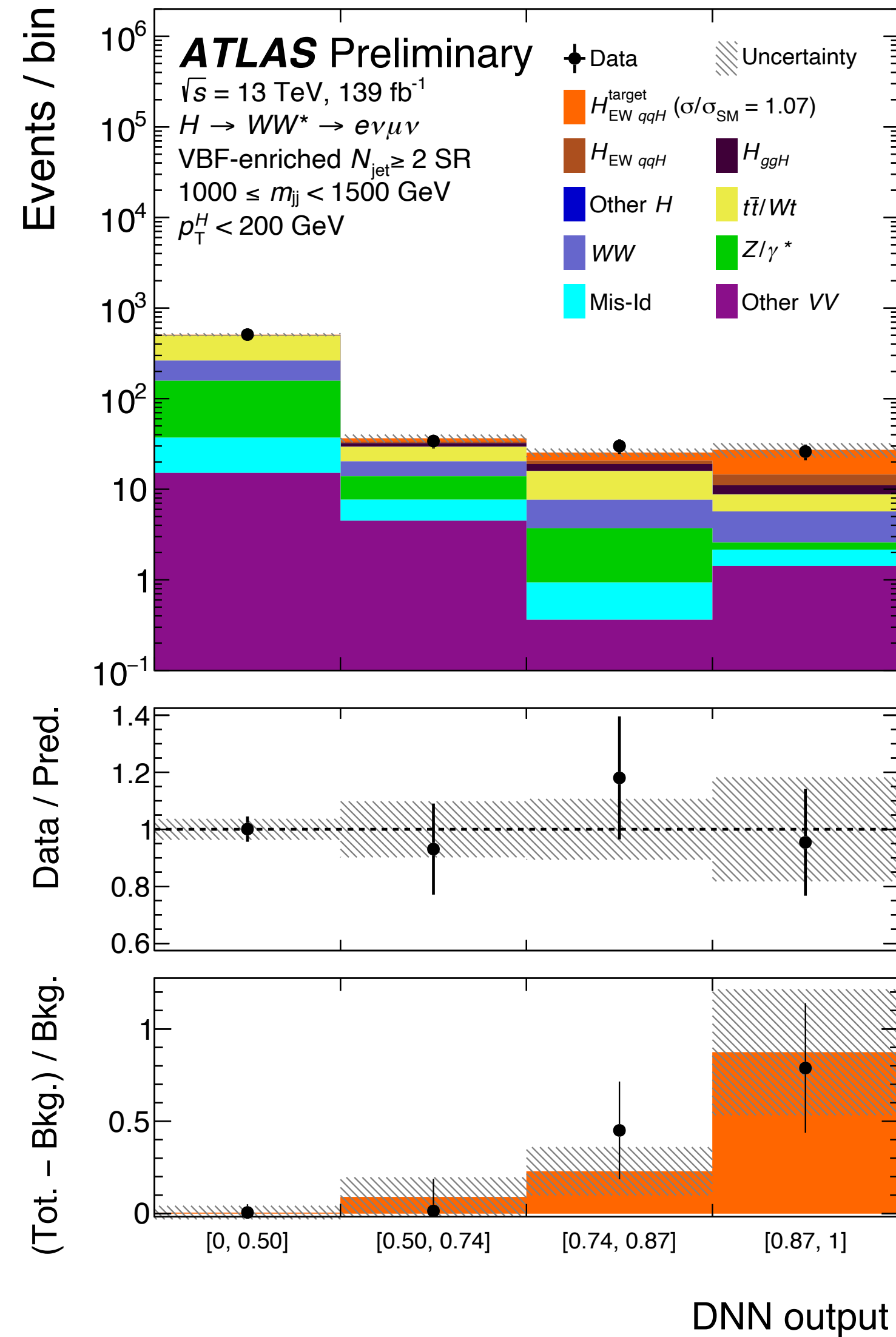
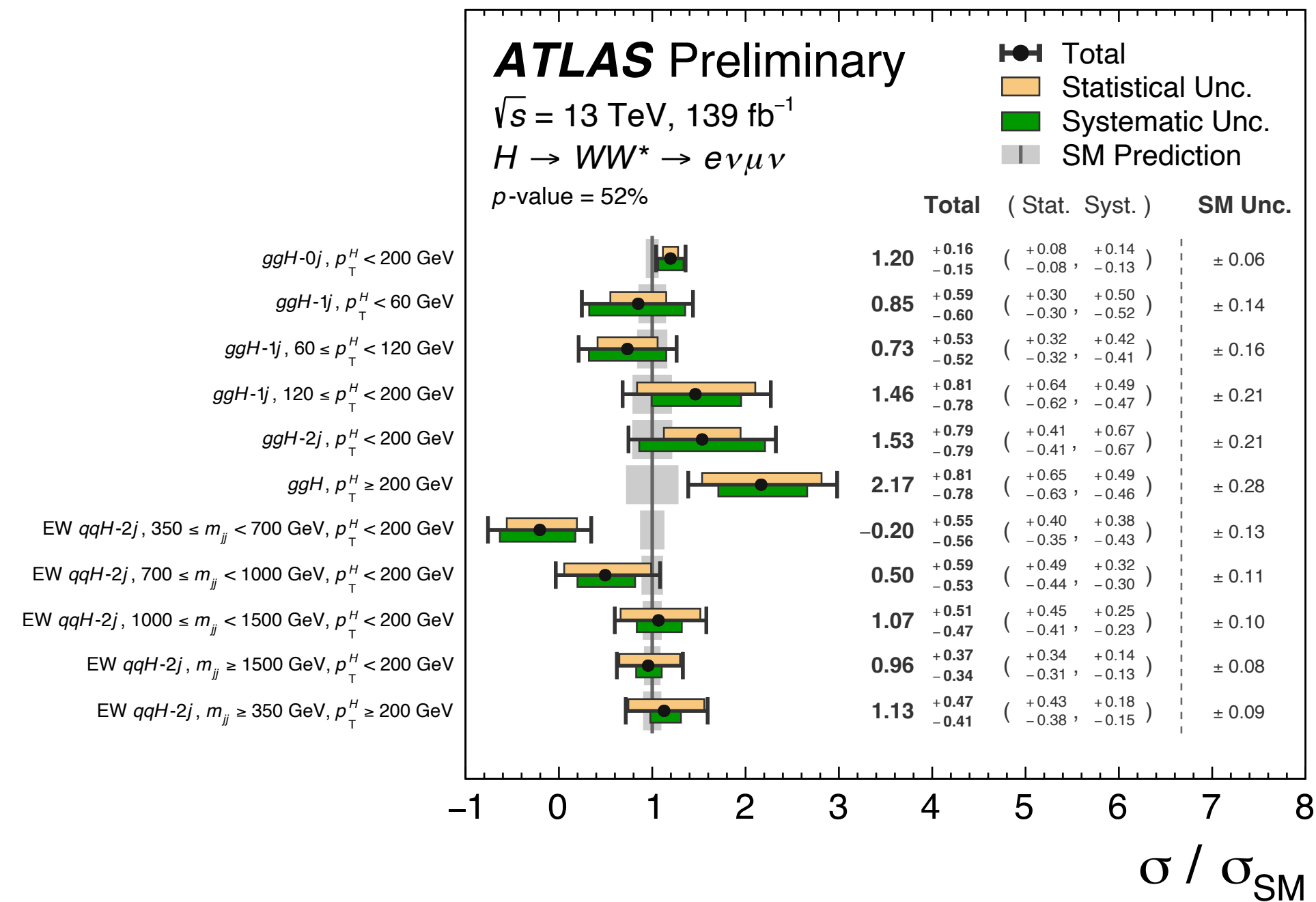


- Very clean channel with high S/B
- Neural networks (NN) used to further suppress bkg. and increase sensitivity to different production modes



# $H \rightarrow WW \rightarrow e\nu\mu\nu$ (139 fb<sup>-1</sup>)

- Vetoing events with jets tagged as from b-quark in signal region (suppress ttbar bkg.)
- Dedicated control regions for main background: WW, top quark,  $Z/\gamma^* \rightarrow \tau\tau$
- Train DNN to separate VBF from ggF and other bkg in VBF enriched region

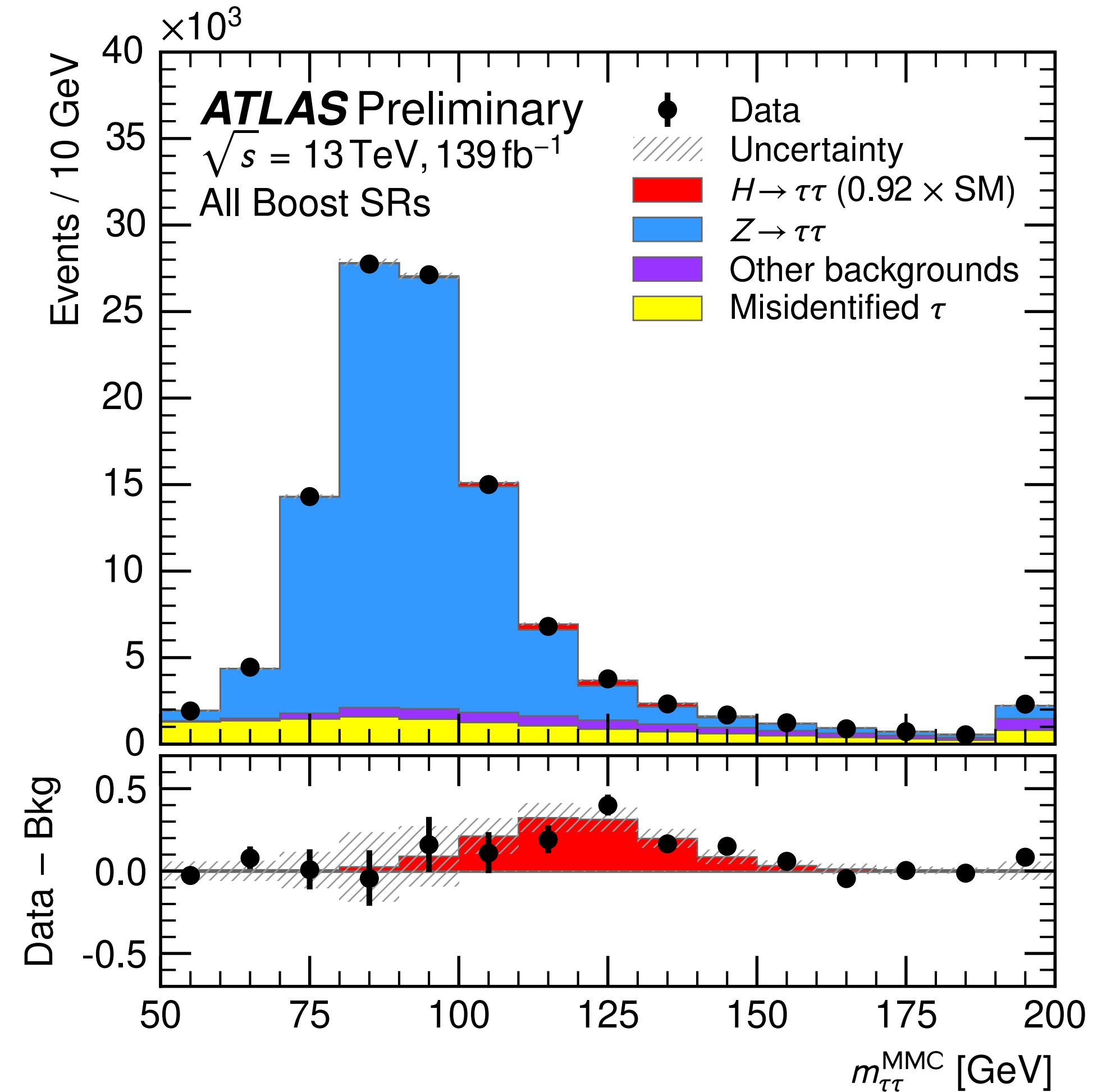
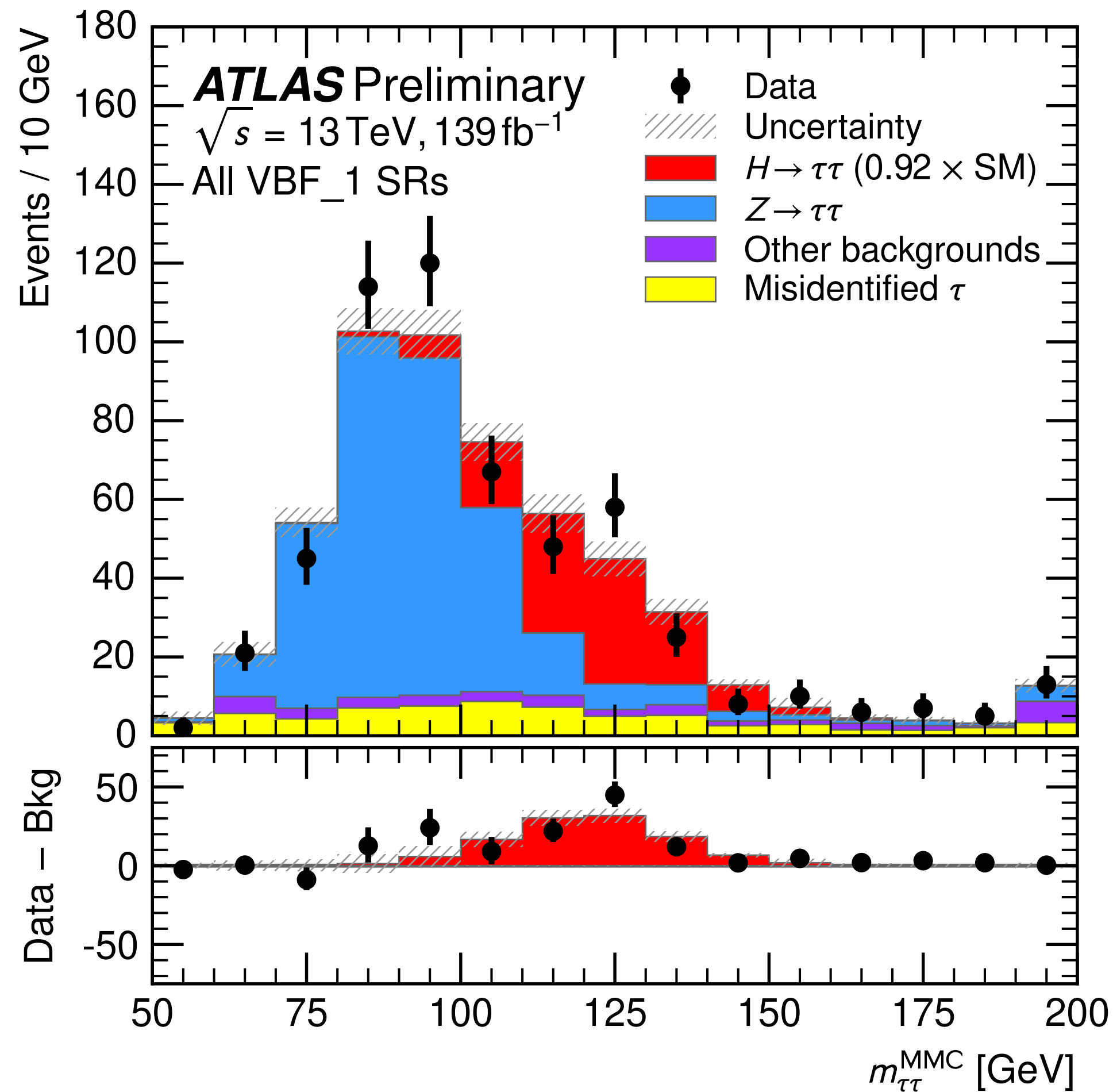


# $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$ ( $139 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ )

- Exploit three di- $\tau$  decay channels ( $\tau_e \tau_\mu$ ,  $\tau_{\text{lep}} \tau_{\text{had}}$ ,  $\tau_{\text{had}} \tau_{\text{had}}$ )

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- Analysis targeting VBF and boosted ggF signal events to suppress the  $Z \rightarrow \tau\tau$  backgrounds

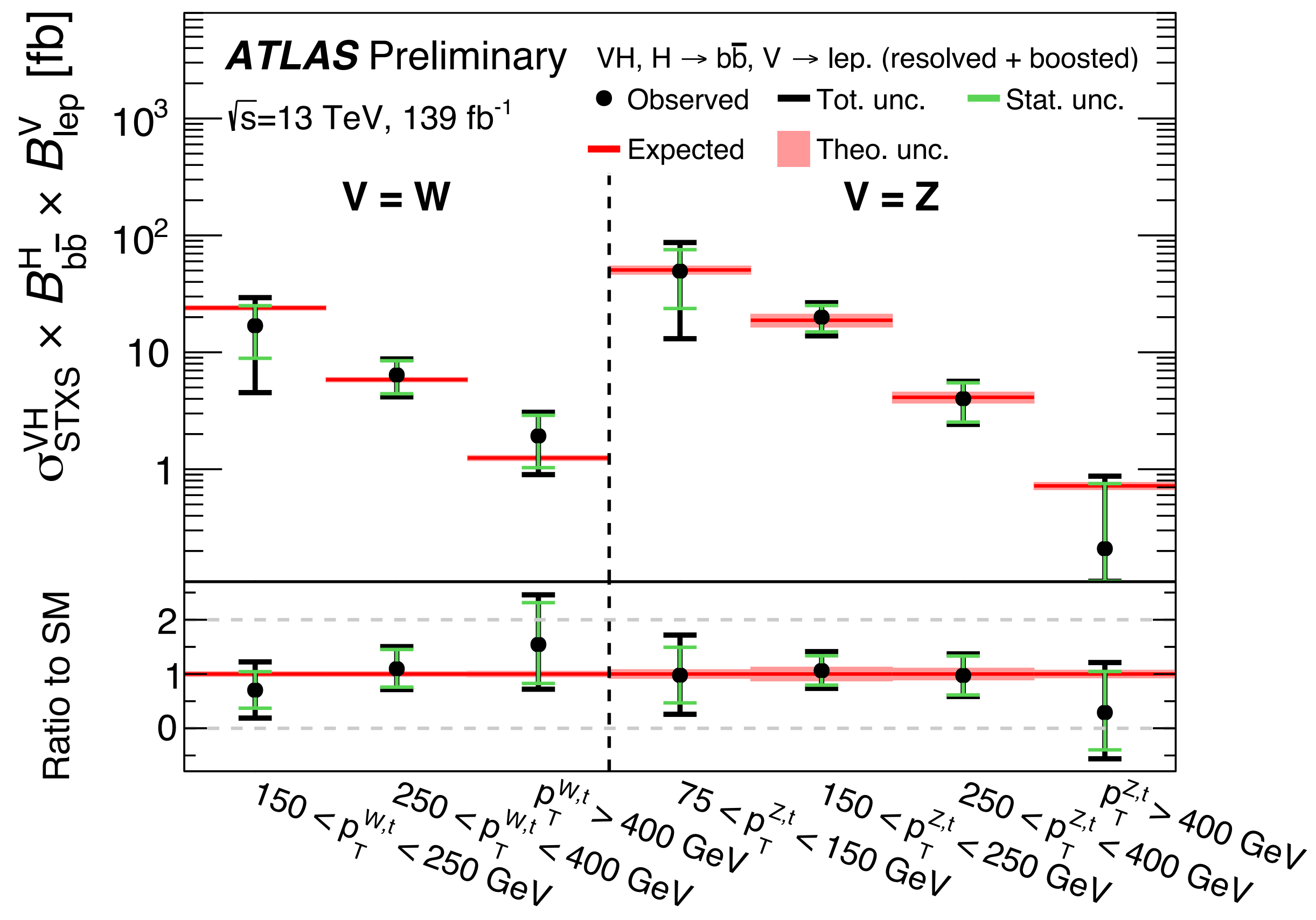
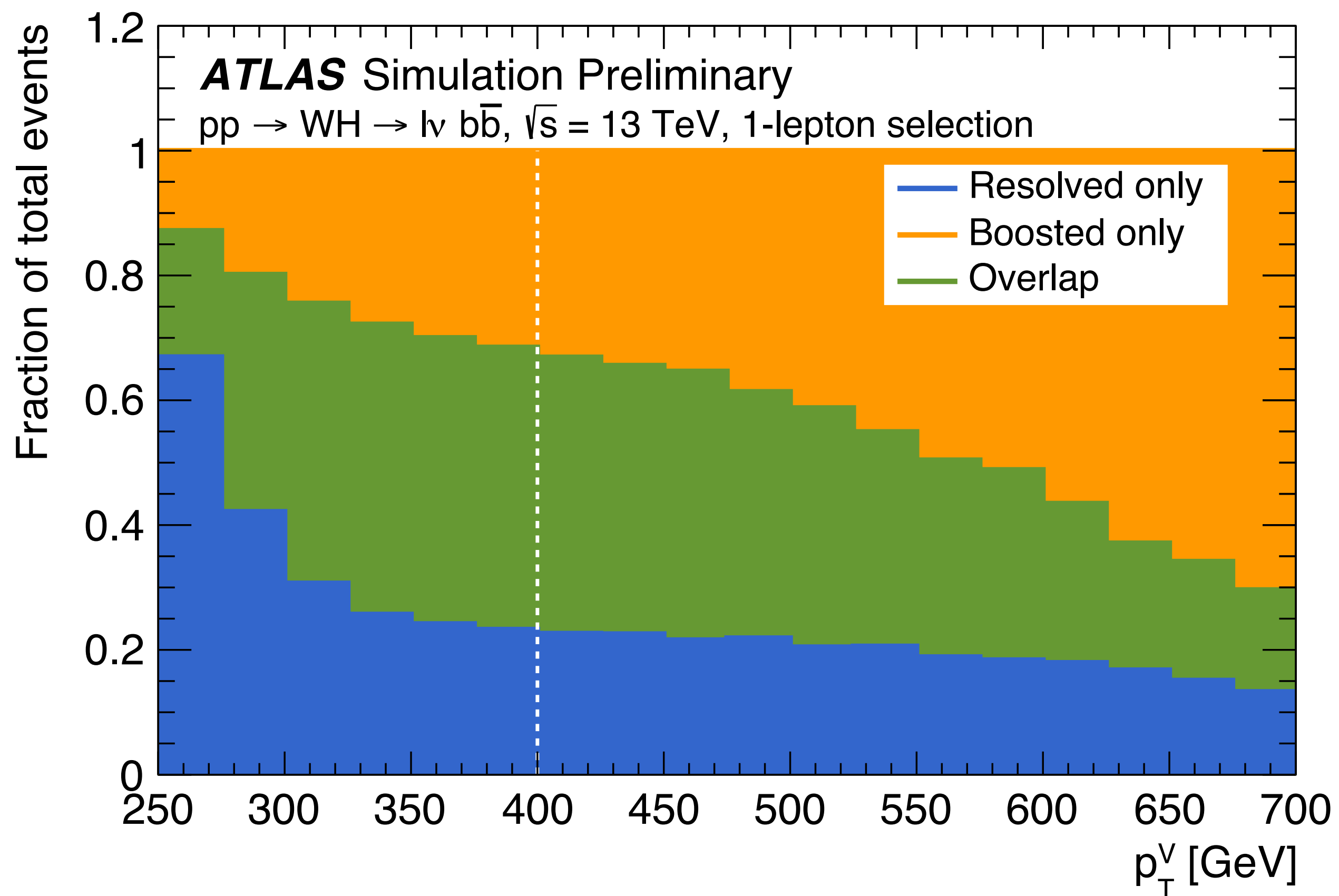




# VH, H → bb (139 fb<sup>-1</sup>)

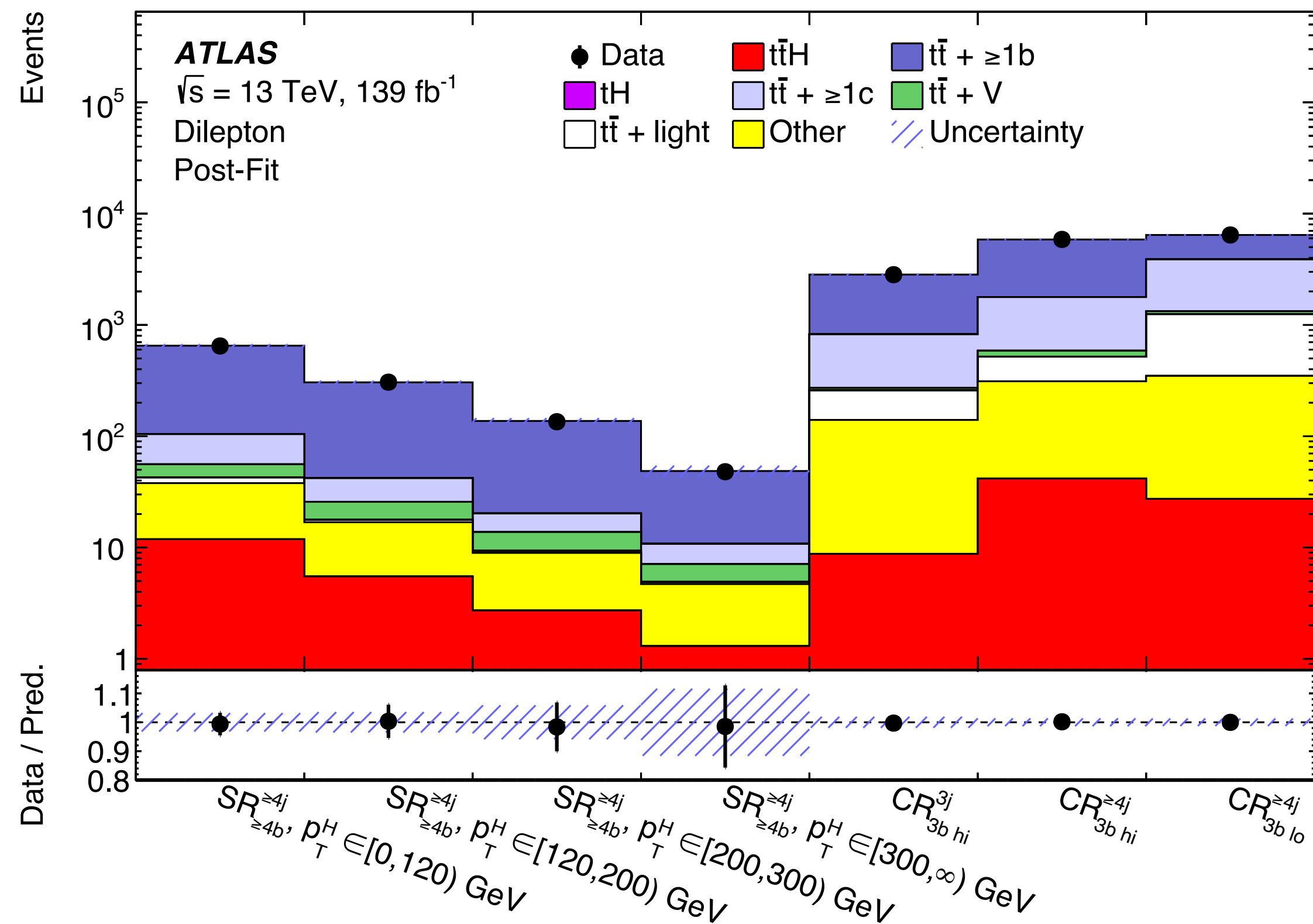
- Leading analysis for observation of H → bb and VH at LHC
- Exploit Resolved (pTV < 400 GeV) and the Merged regimes (pTV > 400 GeV)

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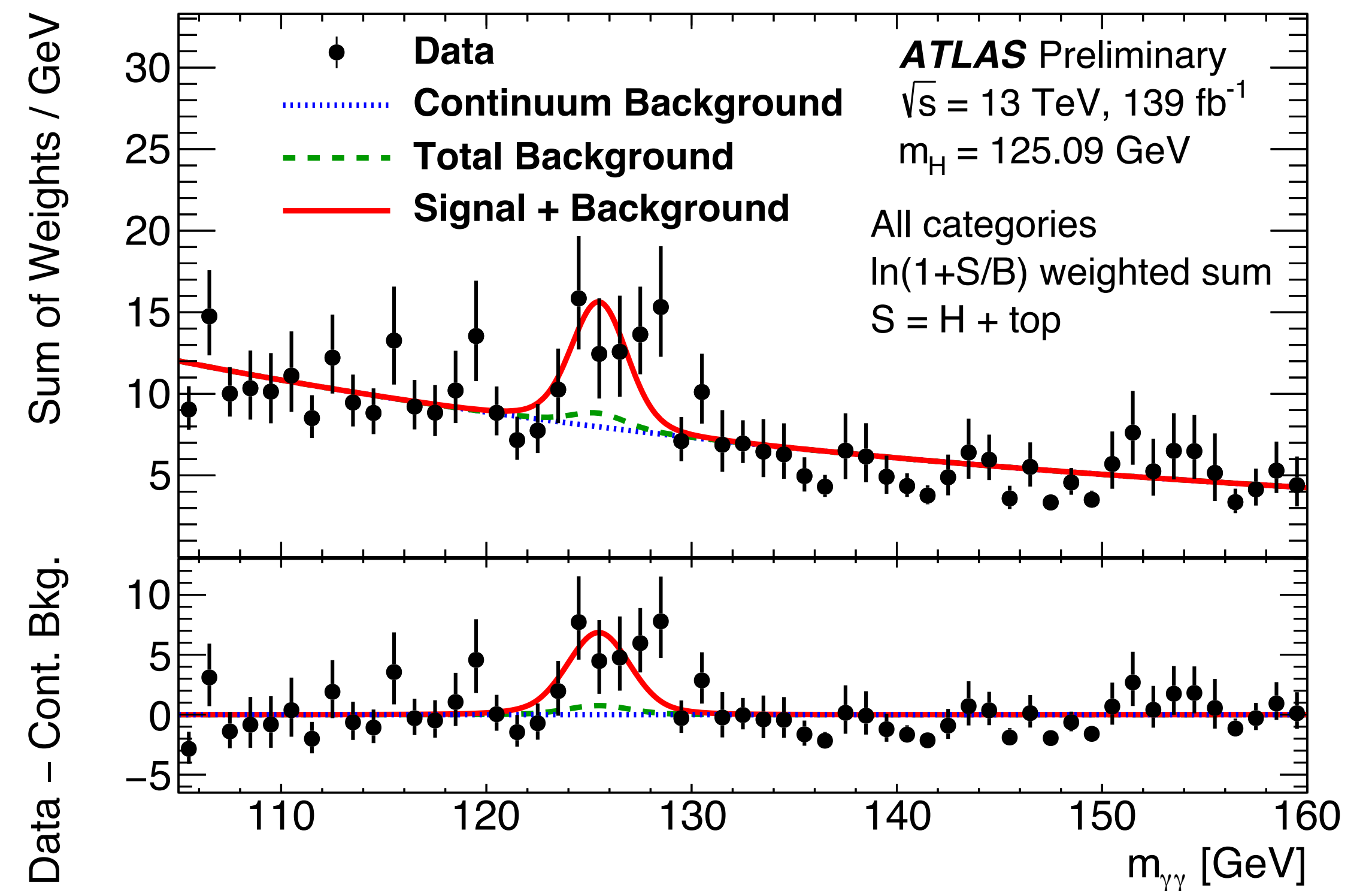
# ttH channels (36.1 - 139 fb<sup>-1</sup>)

- ttH multi-lepton (36 fb<sup>-1</sup>): targeting WW,  $\tau\tau$ , and ZZ decay modes + ttbar with  $\geq 1$  leptonic W decay
- ttH, H $\rightarrow$ bb (139 fb<sup>-1</sup>): targeting ttbar with  $\geq 1$  leptonic W decay. Divide into single lepton and dilepton regions
- ttH, H $\rightarrow\gamma\gamma$  and ttH, H $\rightarrow$ ZZ $\rightarrow$ 4l analyses included as part of full H $\rightarrow\gamma\gamma$  and H $\rightarrow$ ZZ $\rightarrow$ 4l analyses introduced before



ttH $\rightarrow$ bb dilepton channel

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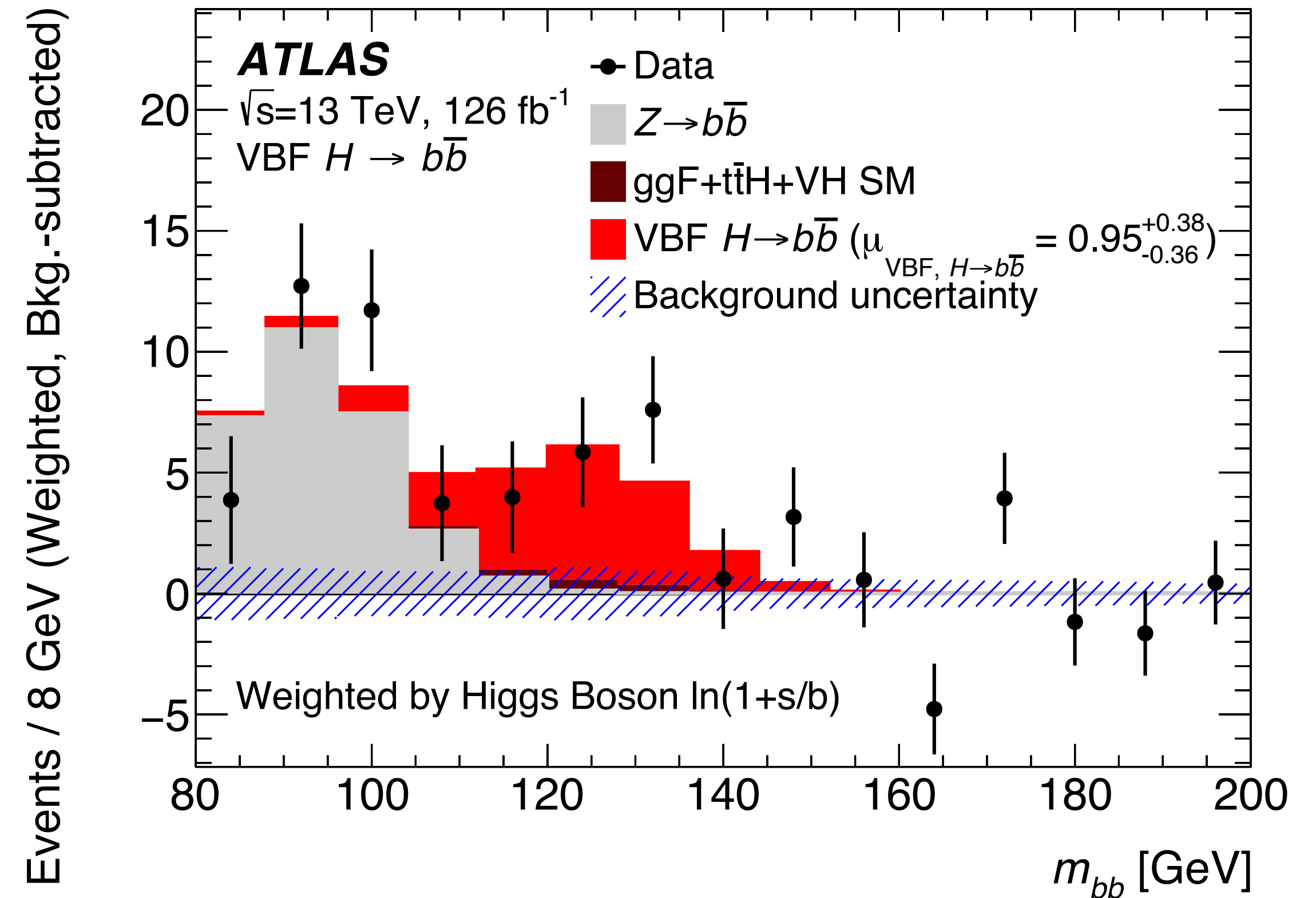
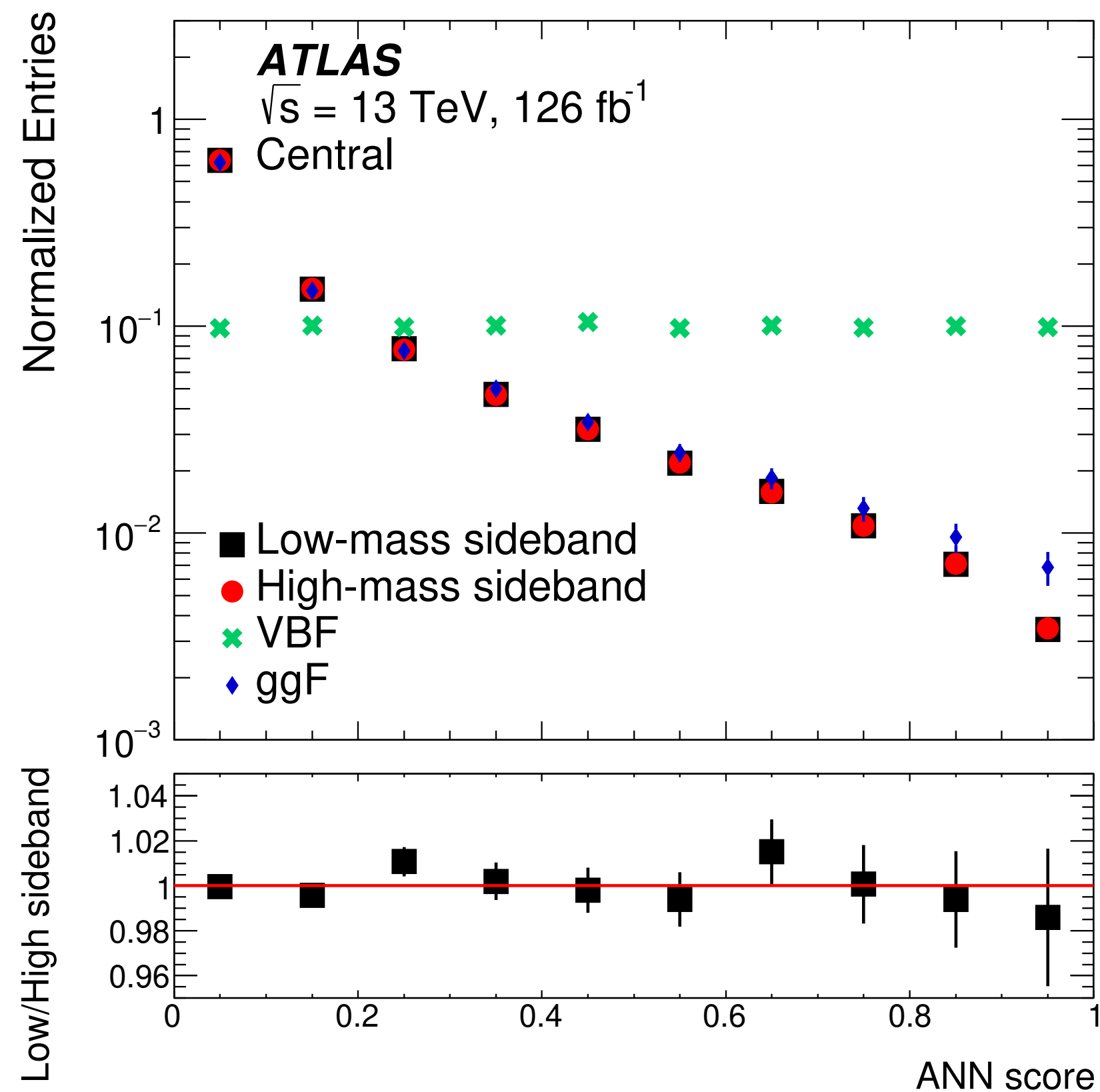
ttH, H $\rightarrow\gamma\gamma$  included as part of full H $\rightarrow\gamma\gamma$

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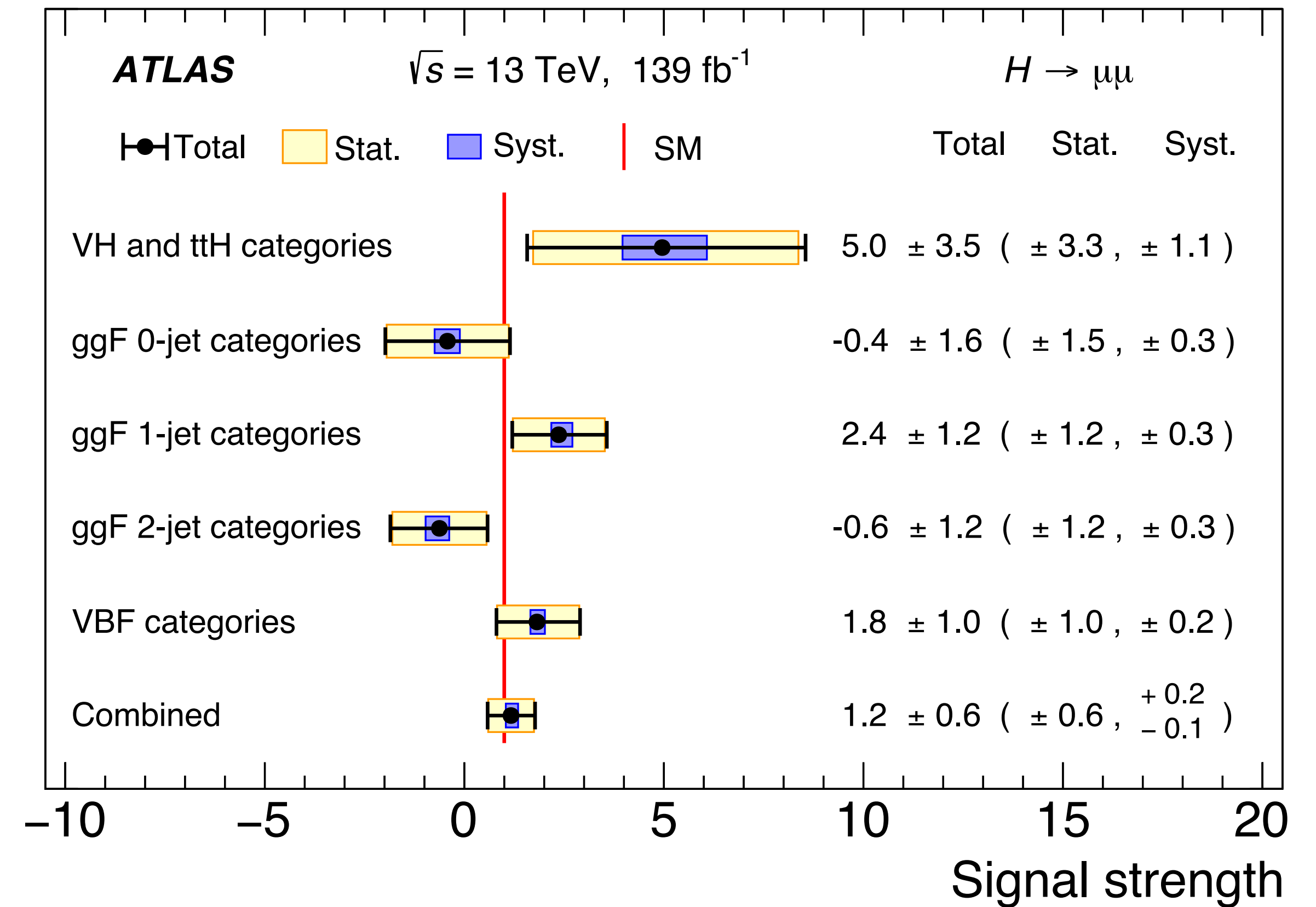
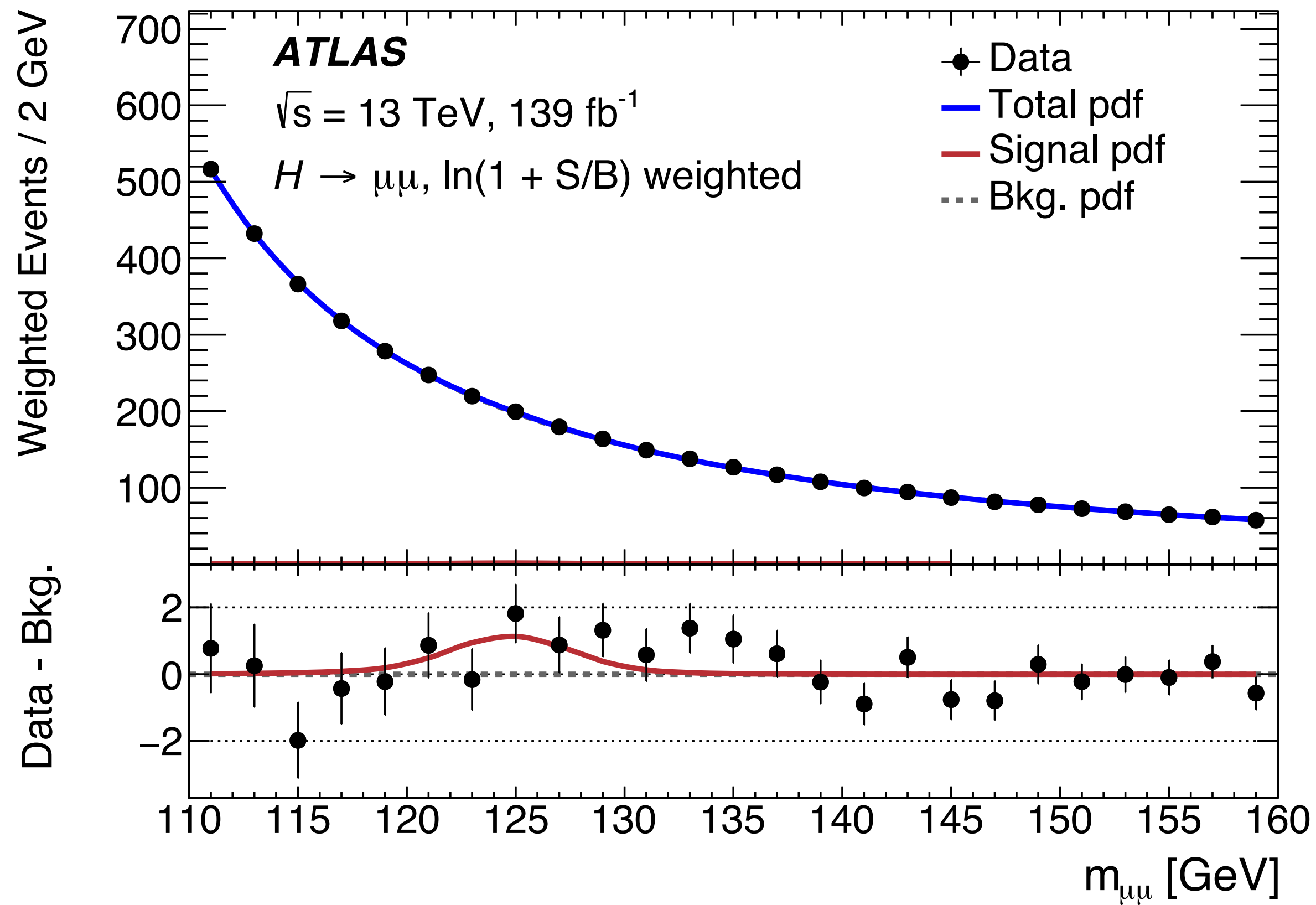
# VBF, $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$ (126 fb<sup>-1</sup>)

- VBF,  $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$ : exploit VBF topology for trigger
- Forward and central channels: presence or absence of a high p<sub>T</sub> forward ( $3.2 < |\eta| < 4.5$ ) jet in the event ( VBF vs ggF )
- ANN used to enhance the signal background separation



# $H \rightarrow \mu\mu$ (139 fb<sup>-1</sup>)

- $H \rightarrow \mu\mu$ : bump hunting on the large tail of Drell-Yan bkg.
- Current observed ( expected ) significance:  $2.0\sigma$  (  $1.7\sigma$  ) and Signal strength:  $\mu = 1.2 \pm 0.6$  [  $N_{\text{signal(obs.)}}/N_{\text{signal(exp.)}}$  ]



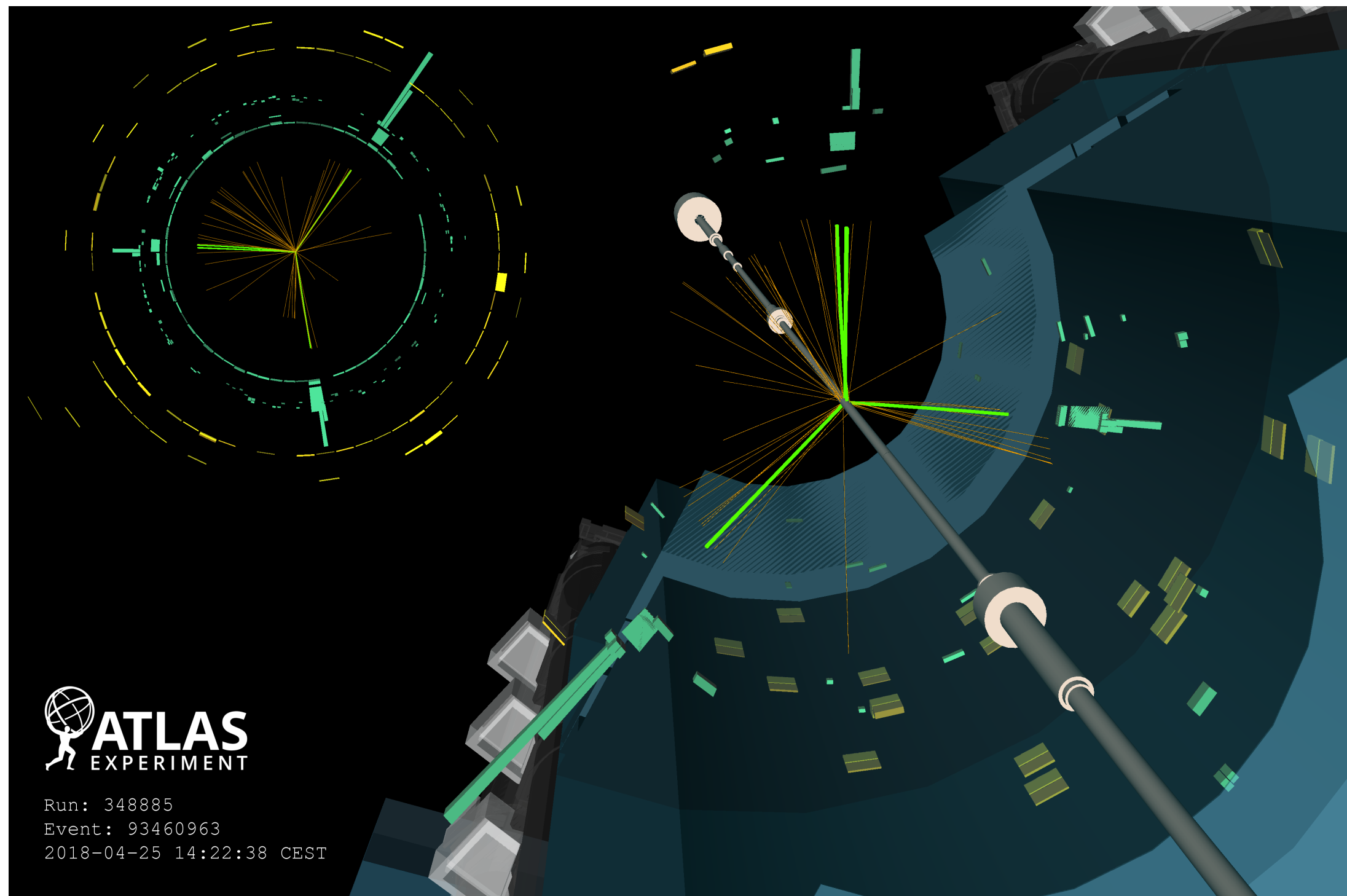


# $H \rightarrow \mu\mu$ (139 fb<sup>-1</sup>)

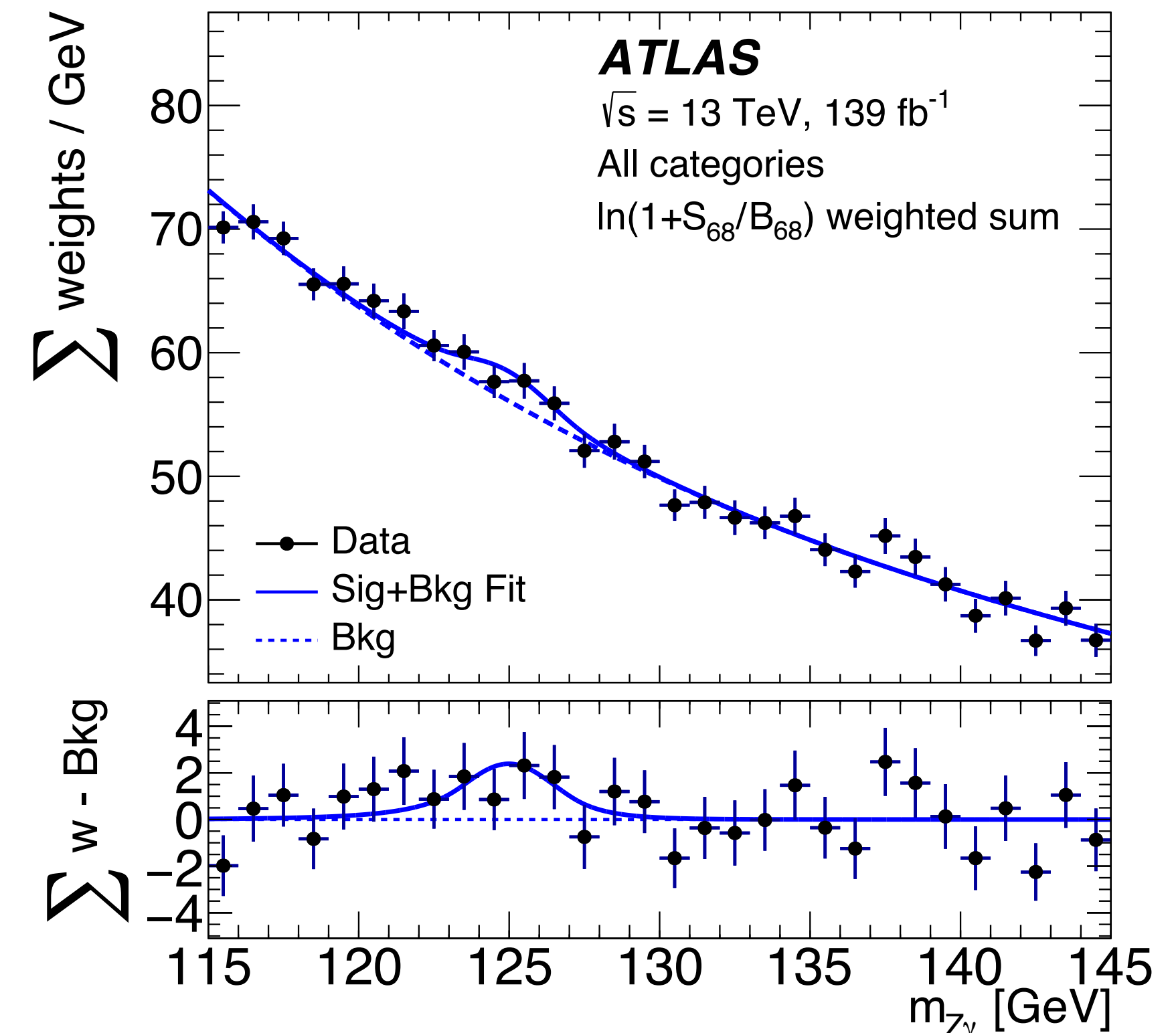
- ttH: dileptonic or semileptonic decay of the ttbar
  - $\geq 1$  lepton in addition to the opposite sign muon pair and at least one b-tagged jet
- VH:
  - Not selected in ttH
  - $\geq 1$  isolated lepton in addition to the opposite sign muon pair
  - no b-tagged jet
- ggF and VBF:
  - Not selected in the VH and ttH
  - Classified into 0-, 1-, 2-jet categories
  - 2-jet:  $O_{\text{VBF}}$  BDT classifier used to define 4 regions
  - The remaining classified into 4 regions based on 0- / 1- / 2-  $O_{\text{ggF}}$  BDT respectively

# $H \rightarrow Z\gamma$ ( $139 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ )

- Very rare decay
- The observed data are consistent with the expected background with a p-value of 1.3%
- An upper limit @ 95% C.L. on the production cross-section times the branching ratio is set at 3.6 ( 2.6 exp. ) times SM
- First time included into the Run2 combination



A candidate  $H \rightarrow Z\gamma$  event with the  $Z \rightarrow e^+e^-$

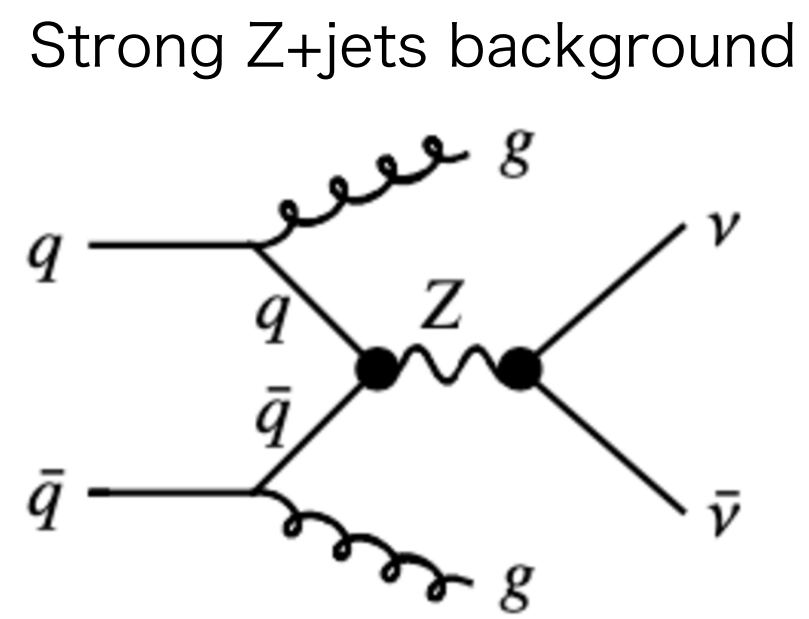
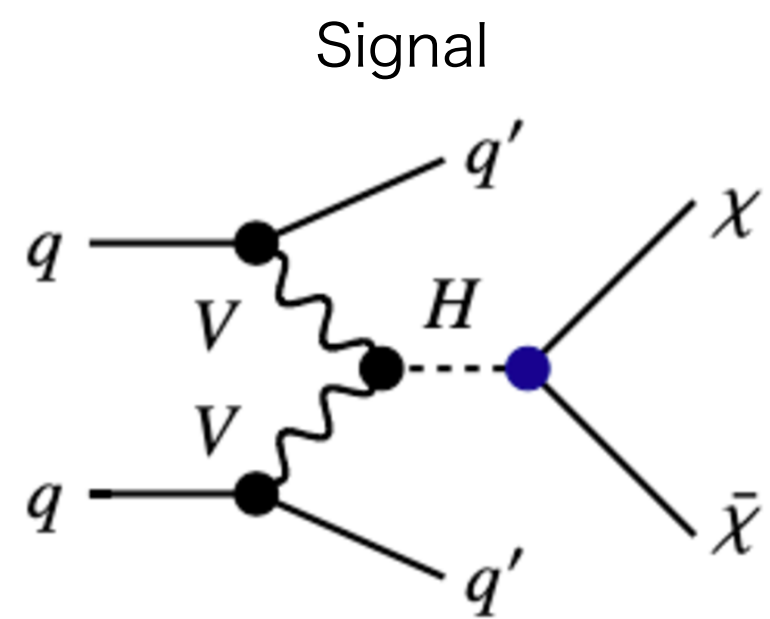


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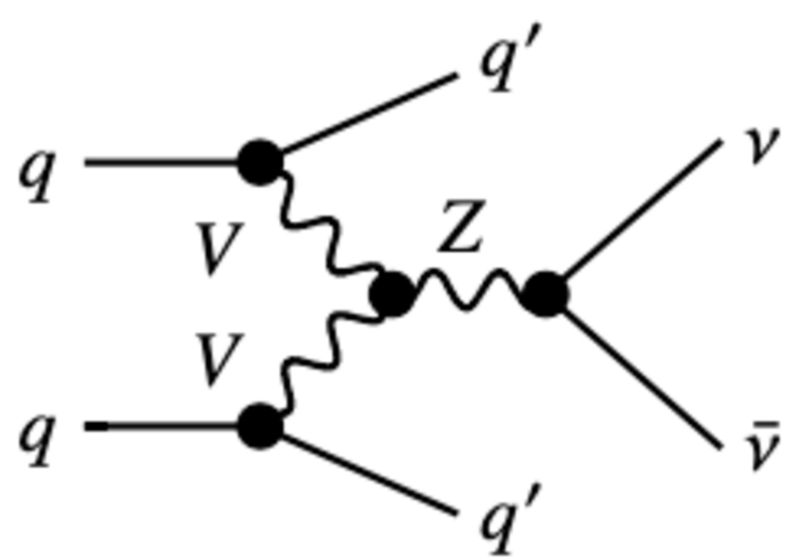


# H → invisible searches

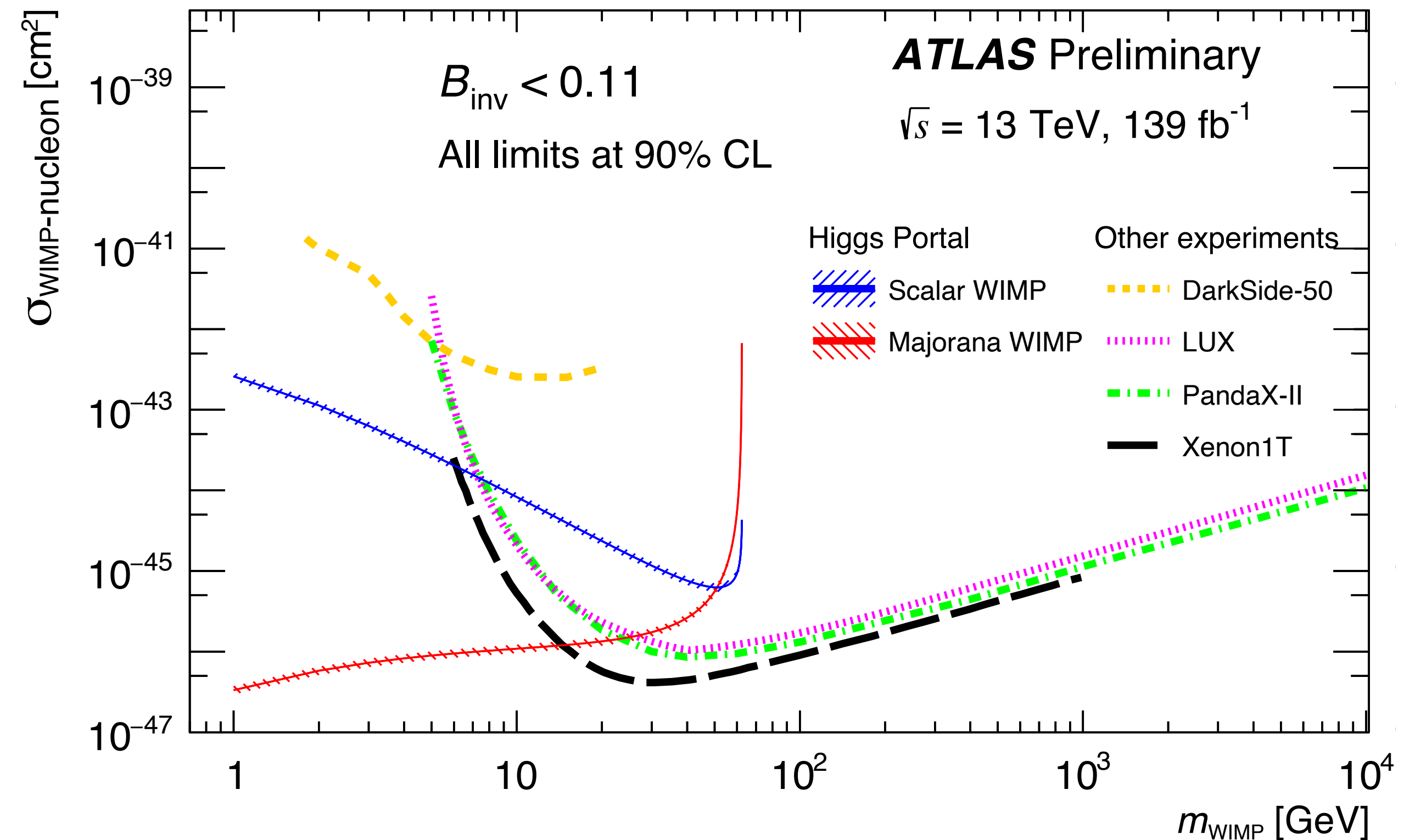
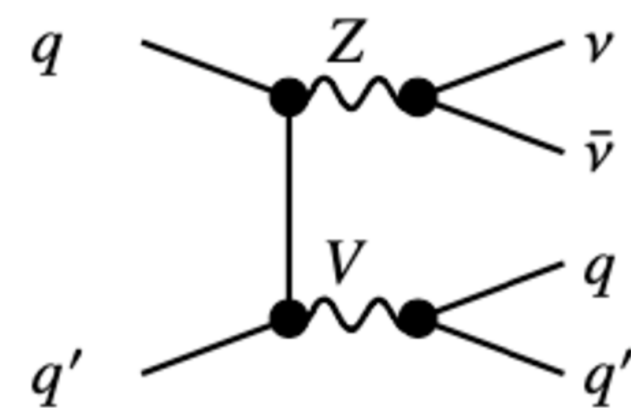
- The SM expectation for H → inv. BR is tiny (0.1% from H → ZZ → 4ν), but the BR can be enhanced with BSM physics (e.g. H → dark matter)
- Search for missing transverse momentum signature in VBF topology, small contribution from ggF and VH after selection



electroweak VBF Z+jet background



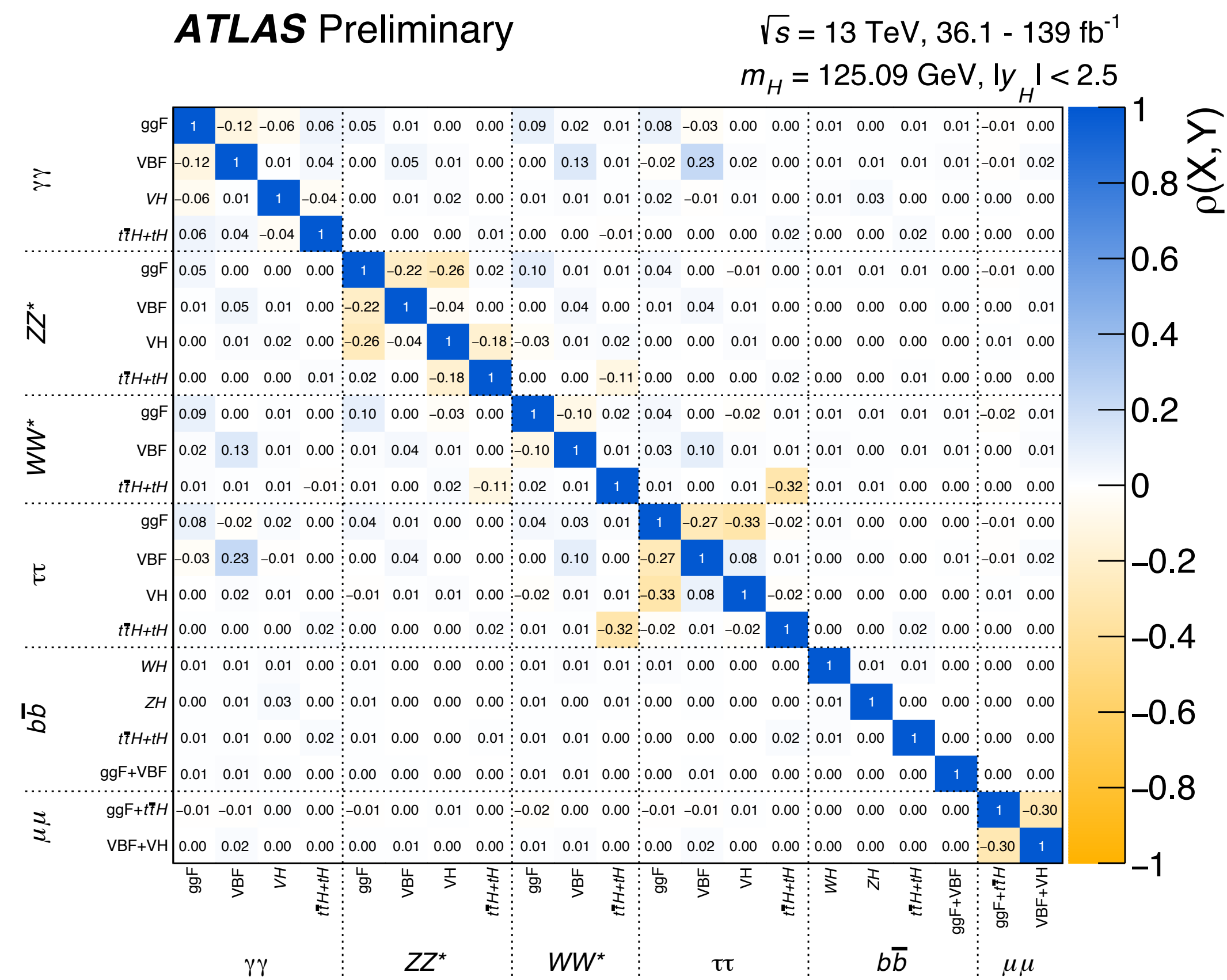
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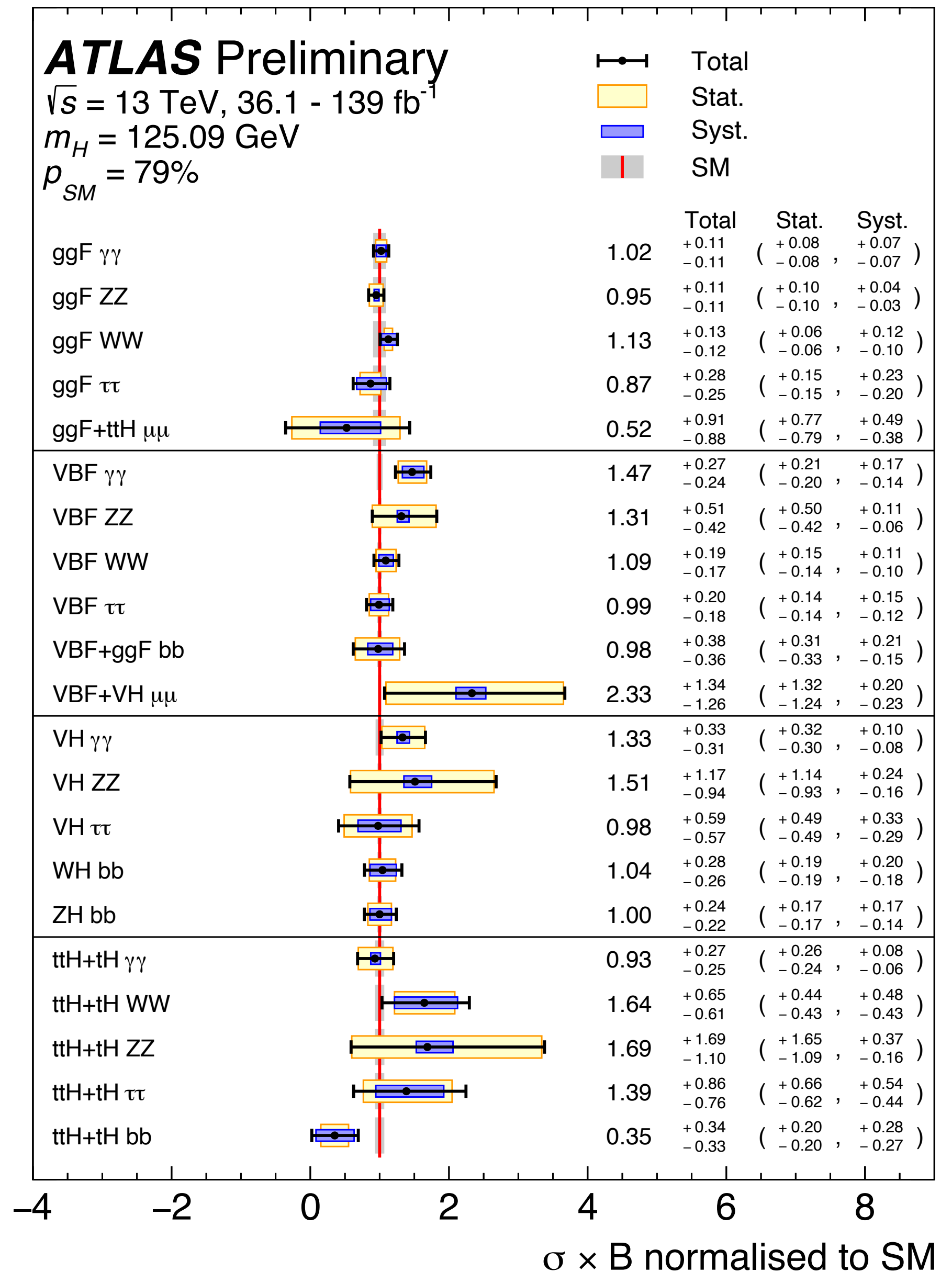
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# Production cross-section in each decay channel

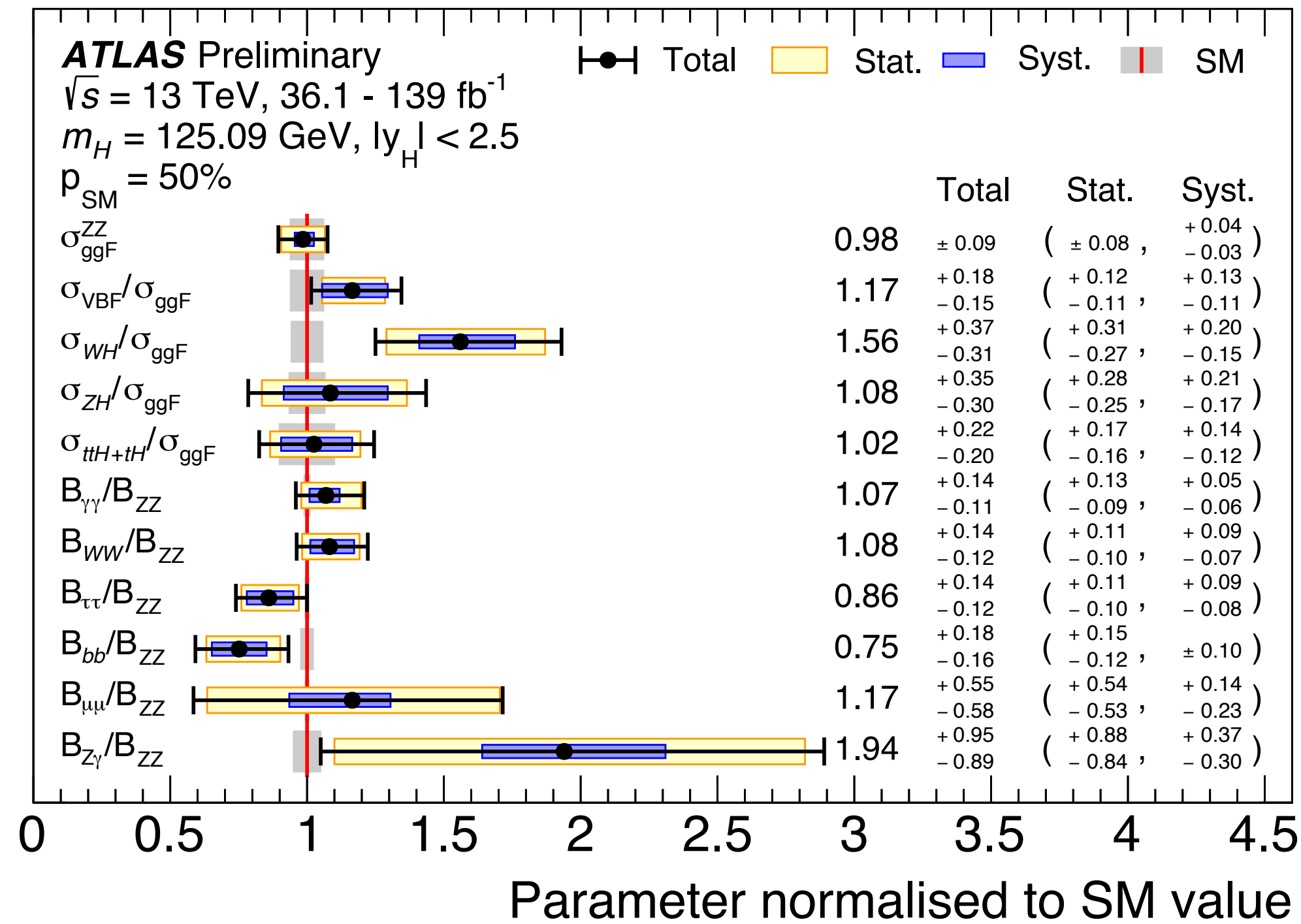
- Good compatibility among production modes and also with the SM
- Anti-correlation most notable for ggF vs. VBF, and VV vs.  $\tau\tau$  in ttH multi-lepton analysis



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# Production and decays ratios

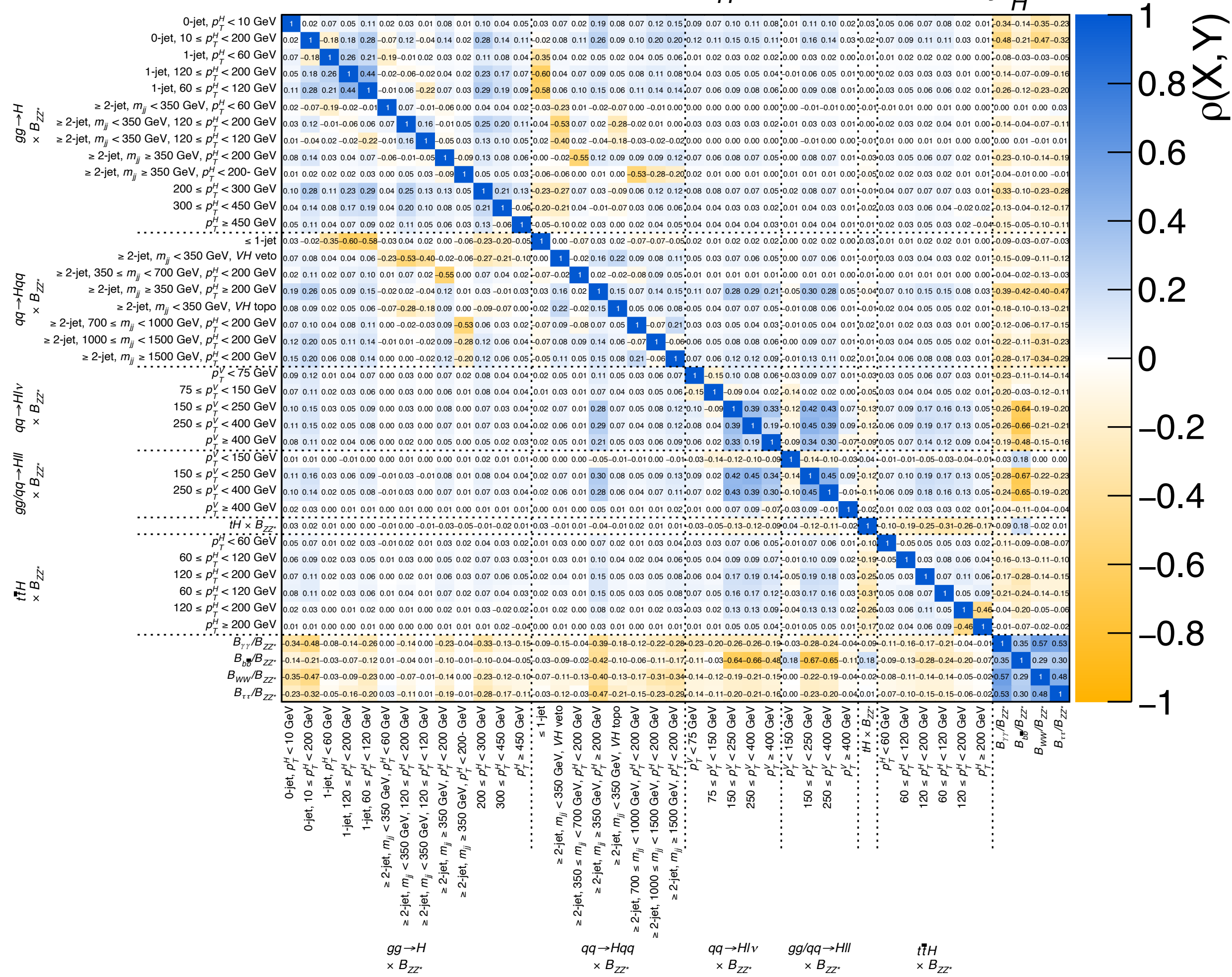


Process ( $ y_H  < 2.5$ )	Observed	Uncertainty			SM prediction
		Total	Stat.	Syst.	
$\sigma_{ggF}^{ZZ}$ [pb]	1.16	$\pm 0.11$	$\pm 0.10$	$\pm 0.04$	$1.18 \pm 0.07$
$\sigma_{VBF}/\sigma_{ggF}$	0.091	$+0.012$ $-0.014$	$\pm 0.009$	$+0.009$ $-0.010$	$0.079 \pm 0.005$
$\sigma_{WH}/\sigma_{ggF}$	0.042	$+0.008$ $-0.010$	$+0.007$ $-0.008$	$+0.004$ $-0.005$	$0.0269 \pm 0.0016$
$\sigma_{ZH}/\sigma_{ggF}$	0.019	$+0.005$ $-0.006$	$+0.004$ $-0.005$	$+0.003$ $-0.004$	$0.0178 \pm 0.0012$
$\sigma_{ttH+tH}/\sigma_{ggF}$	0.0134	$+0.0027$ $-0.0029$	$+0.0021$ $-0.0022$	$+0.0016$ $-0.0018$	$0.0131 \pm 0.0013$
$B_{\gamma\gamma}/B_{ZZ}$	0.092	$+0.010$ $-0.012$	$+0.008$ $-0.011$	$+0.005$ $-0.004$	$0.086 \pm 0.001$
$B_{WW}/B_{ZZ}$	8.8	$+1.0$ $-1.2$	$+0.8$ $-0.9$	$+0.6$ $-0.7$	$8.15 \pm < 0.01$
$B_{\tau\tau}/B_{ZZ}$	2.04	$+0.29$ $-0.34$	$+0.23$ $-0.25$	$+0.19$ $-0.21$	$2.369 \pm 0.017$
$B_{bb}/B_{ZZ}$	16.5	$+3.5$ $-4.0$	$+2.7$ $-3.4$	$\pm 2.2$	$22.0 \pm 0.5$
$B_{\mu\mu}/B_{ZZ}$	0.009	$\pm 0.005$	$\pm 0.004$	$+0.001$ $-0.002$	$0.0082 \pm < 0.0001$
$B_{Z\gamma}/B_{ZZ}$	0.11	$+0.05$ $-0.06$	$\pm 0.05$	$\pm 0.02$	$0.0584 \pm 0.0029$



# STXS correlation matrix

**ATLAS Preliminary**  $\sqrt{s} = 13 \text{ TeV}, 139 \text{ fb}^{-1}$   
 $m_H = 125.09 \text{ GeV}, |y_H| < 2.5$

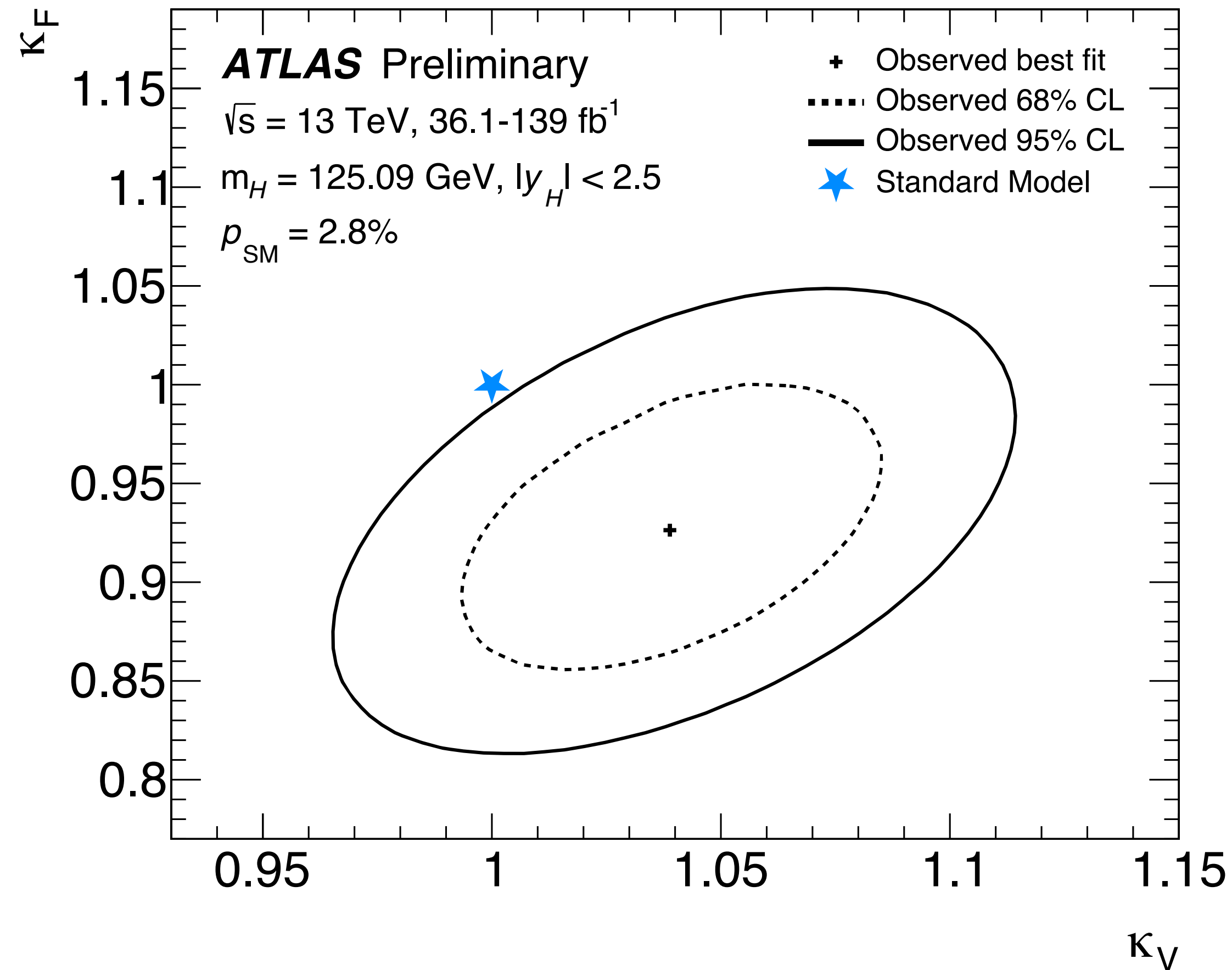


# kappa parametrization

Production cross section	Loops	Main interference	Effective modifier	Resolved modifier
$\sigma(\text{ggF})$	✓	$t$ - $b$	$\kappa_g^2$	$1.040 \kappa_t^2 + 0.002 \kappa_b^2 - 0.038 \kappa_t \kappa_b - 0.005 \kappa_t \kappa_c$
$\sigma(\text{VBF})$	-	-	-	$0.733 \kappa_W^2 + 0.267 \kappa_Z^2$
$\sigma(\text{qq/}qg \rightarrow ZH)$	-	-	-	$\kappa_Z^2$
$\sigma(\text{gg} \rightarrow ZH)$	✓	$t$ - $Z$	$\kappa_{(\text{gg}ZH)}$	$2.456 \kappa_Z^2 + 0.456 \kappa_t^2 - 1.903 \kappa_Z \kappa_t - 0.011 \kappa_Z \kappa_b + 0.003 \kappa_t \kappa_b$
$\sigma(\text{WH})$	-	-	-	$\kappa_W^2$
$\sigma(\text{H})$	-	-	-	$\kappa_t^2$
$\sigma(\text{tHW})$	-	$t$ - $W$	-	$2.909 \kappa_t^2 + 2.310 \kappa_W^2 - 4.220 \kappa_t \kappa_W$
$\sigma(\text{tHq})$	-	$t$ - $W$	-	$2.633 \kappa_t^2 + 3.578 \kappa_W^2 - 5.211 \kappa_t \kappa_W$
$\sigma(\text{H})$	-	-	-	$\kappa_b^2$
Partial decay width				
$\Gamma^{bb}$	-	-	-	$\kappa_b^2$
$\Gamma^{WW}$	-	-	-	$\kappa_W^2$
$\Gamma^{gg}$	✓	$t$ - $b$	$\kappa_g^2$	$1.111 \kappa_t^2 + 0.012 \kappa_b^2 - 0.123 \kappa_t \kappa_b$
$\Gamma^{\tau\tau}$	-	-	-	$\kappa_\tau^2$
$\Gamma^{ZZ}$	-	-	-	$\kappa_Z^2$
$\Gamma^{cc}$	-	-	-	$\kappa_c^2 (= \kappa_t^2)$
$\Gamma^{\gamma\gamma}$	✓	$t$ - $W$	$\kappa_\gamma^2$	$1.589 \kappa_W^2 + 0.072 \kappa_t^2 - 0.674 \kappa_W \kappa_t + 0.009 \kappa_W \kappa_\tau + 0.008 \kappa_W \kappa_b - 0.002 \kappa_t \kappa_b - 0.002 \kappa_t \kappa_\tau$
$\Gamma^{Z\gamma}$	✓	$t$ - $W$	$\kappa_{(Z\gamma)}^2$	$1.118 \kappa_W^2 - 0.125 \kappa_W \kappa_t + 0.004 \kappa_t^2 + 0.003 \kappa_W \kappa_b$
$\Gamma^{ss}$	-	-	-	$\kappa_s^2 (= \kappa_b^2)$
$\Gamma^{\mu\mu}$	-	-	-	$\kappa_\mu^2$
Total width ( $B_i = B_u = 0$ )				
$\Gamma_H$	✓	-	$\kappa_H^2$	$0.581 \kappa_b^2 + 0.215 \kappa_W^2 + 0.082 \kappa_g^2 + 0.063 \kappa_\tau^2 + 0.026 \kappa_Z^2 + 0.029 \kappa_c^2 + 0.0023 \kappa_\gamma^2 + 0.0015 \kappa_{(Z\gamma)}^2 + 0.0004 \kappa_s^2 + 0.00022 \kappa_\mu^2$

# $K_V$ VS. $K_F$

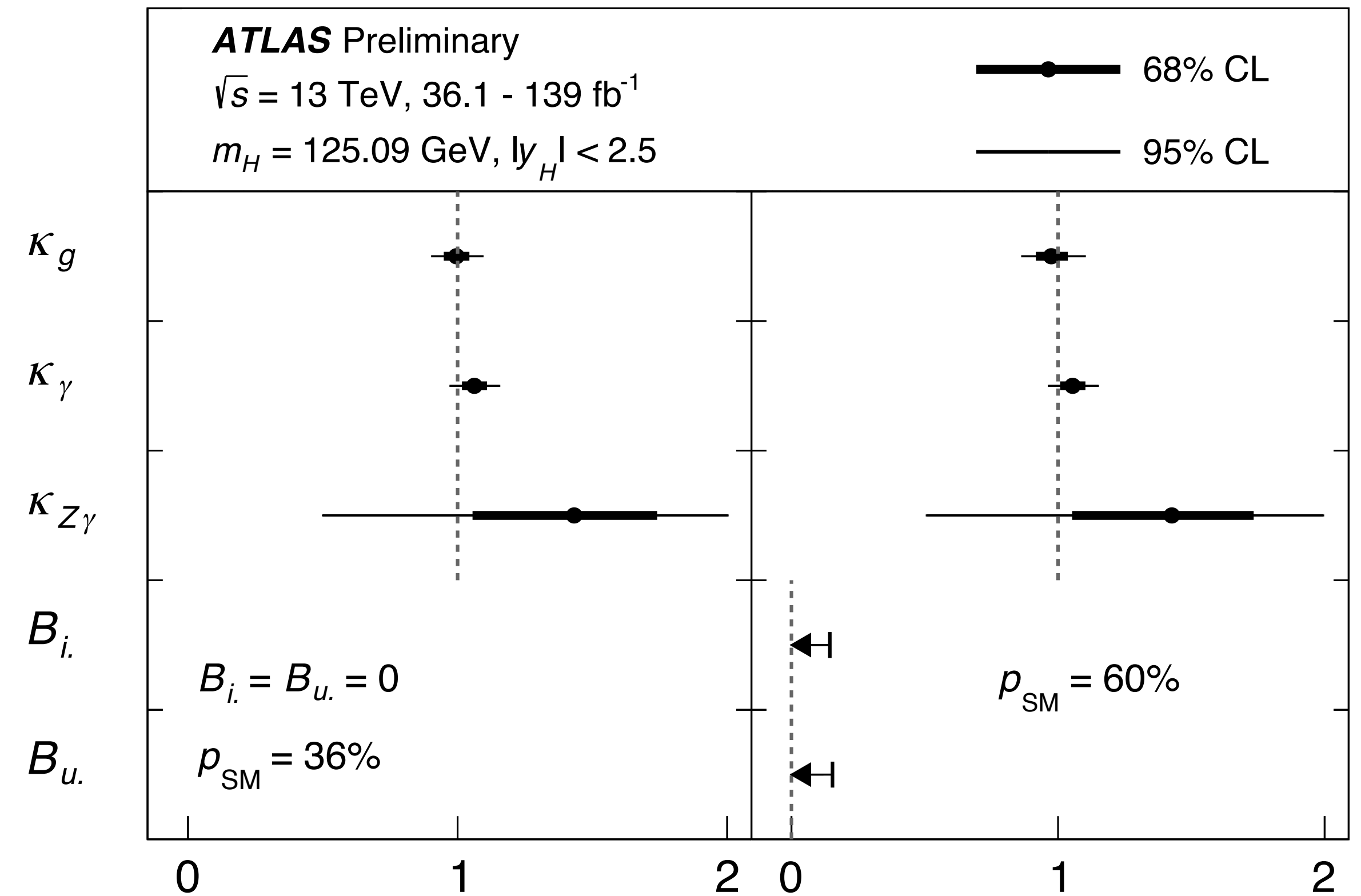
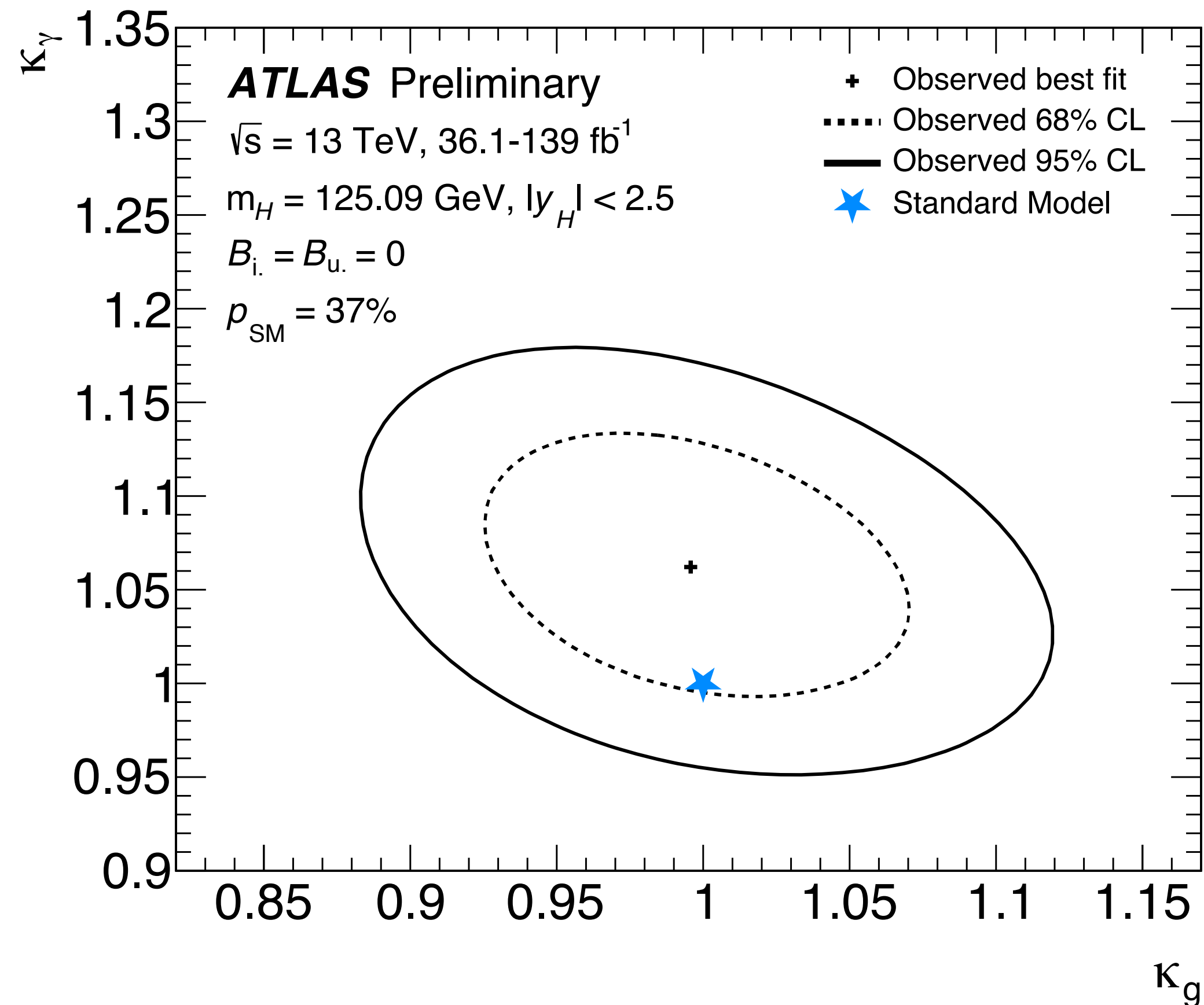
- Unify coupling for all the fermions and vector-bosons.
- Assume no BSM physics in loop-induced processes or total width
- Best fit values:





# $K_g$ VS. $K_\gamma$

- Focus on ggF and  $H\gamma\gamma$  interactions, with other coupling strengths fixed to the SM
- Loop-induced in the SM, sensitive to new physics
- Can also determine  $B_{\text{inv.}}$  and  $B_{\text{undet.}}$  contributions at the same time by including  $H \rightarrow \text{inv.}$  searches

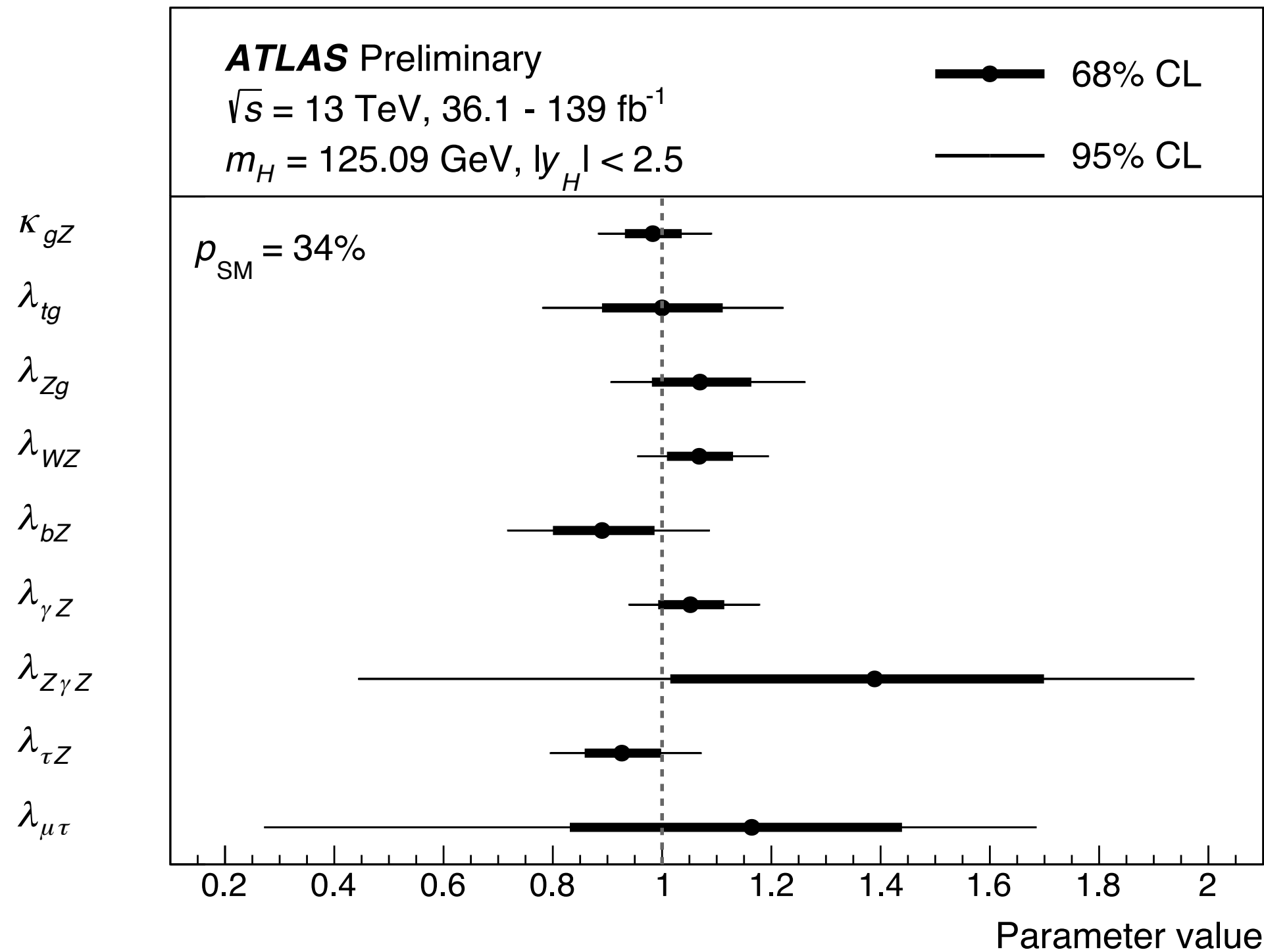


# Generic parameterization

Parameter	(a) $B_i = B_u = 0$	(b) $B_i$ free, $B_u \geq 0$ , $\kappa_{W,Z} \leq 1$
$\kappa_Z$	$0.99 \pm 0.06$	$0.96^{+0.04}_{-0.05}$
$\kappa_W$	$1.06 \pm 0.06$	$1.00^{+0.00}_{-0.03}$
$\kappa_b$	$0.87 \pm 0.11$	$0.81 \pm 0.08$
$\kappa_t$	$0.92 \pm 0.10$	$0.90 \pm 0.10$
$\kappa_\mu$	$1.07^{+0.25}_{-0.30}$	$1.03^{+0.23}_{-0.29}$
$\kappa_\tau$	$0.92 \pm 0.07$	$0.88 \pm 0.06$
$\kappa_\gamma$	$1.04 \pm 0.06$	$1.00 \pm 0.05$
$\kappa_{Z\gamma}$	$1.37^{+0.31}_{-0.37}$	$1.33^{+0.29}_{-0.35}$
$\kappa_g$	$0.92^{+0.07}_{-0.06}$	$0.89^{+0.07}_{-0.06}$
$B_i$	-	$< 0.09$ at 95% CL
$B_u$	-	$< 0.16$ at 95% CL

# Expressed as ratios of scale factors

No need for the assumption on the total decay width modification



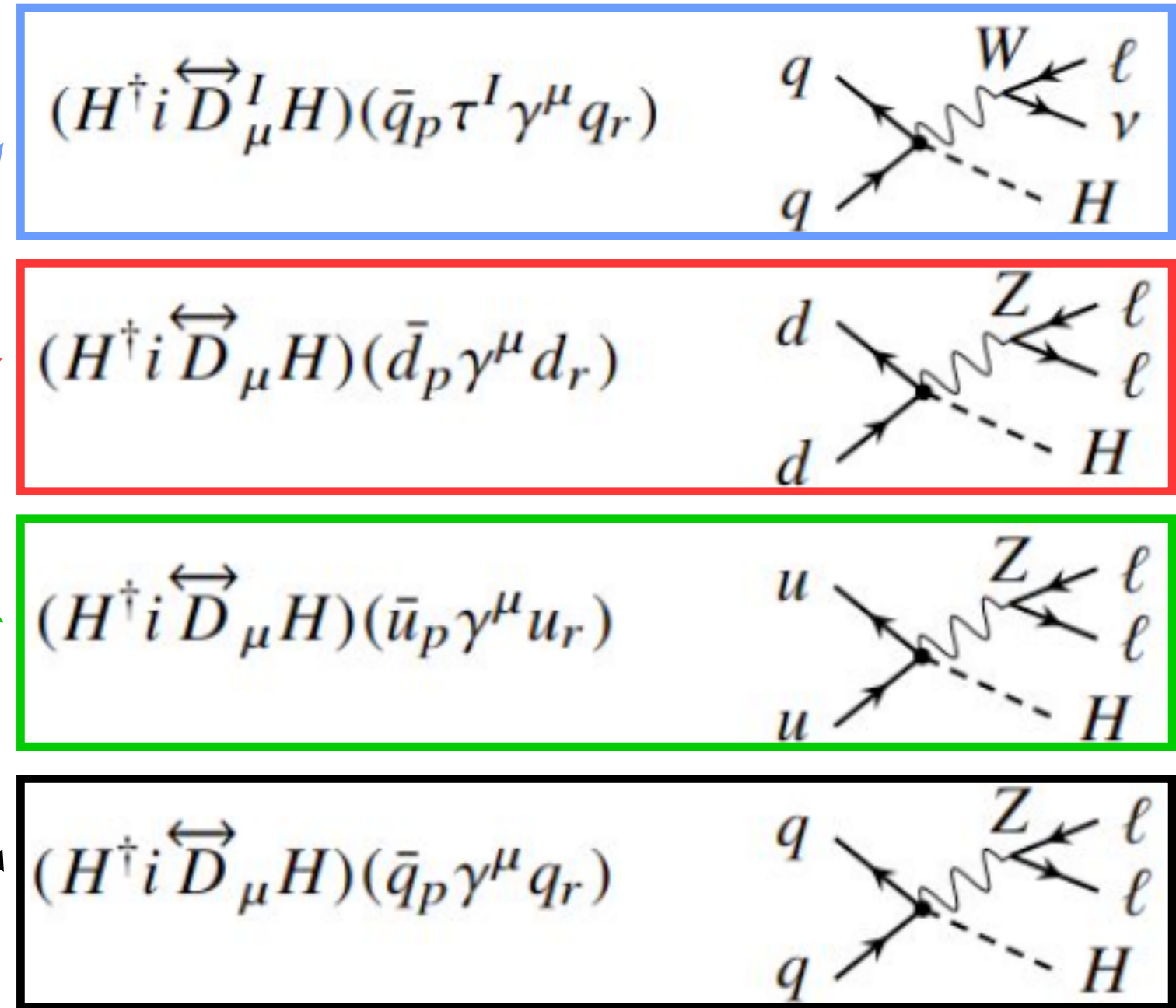
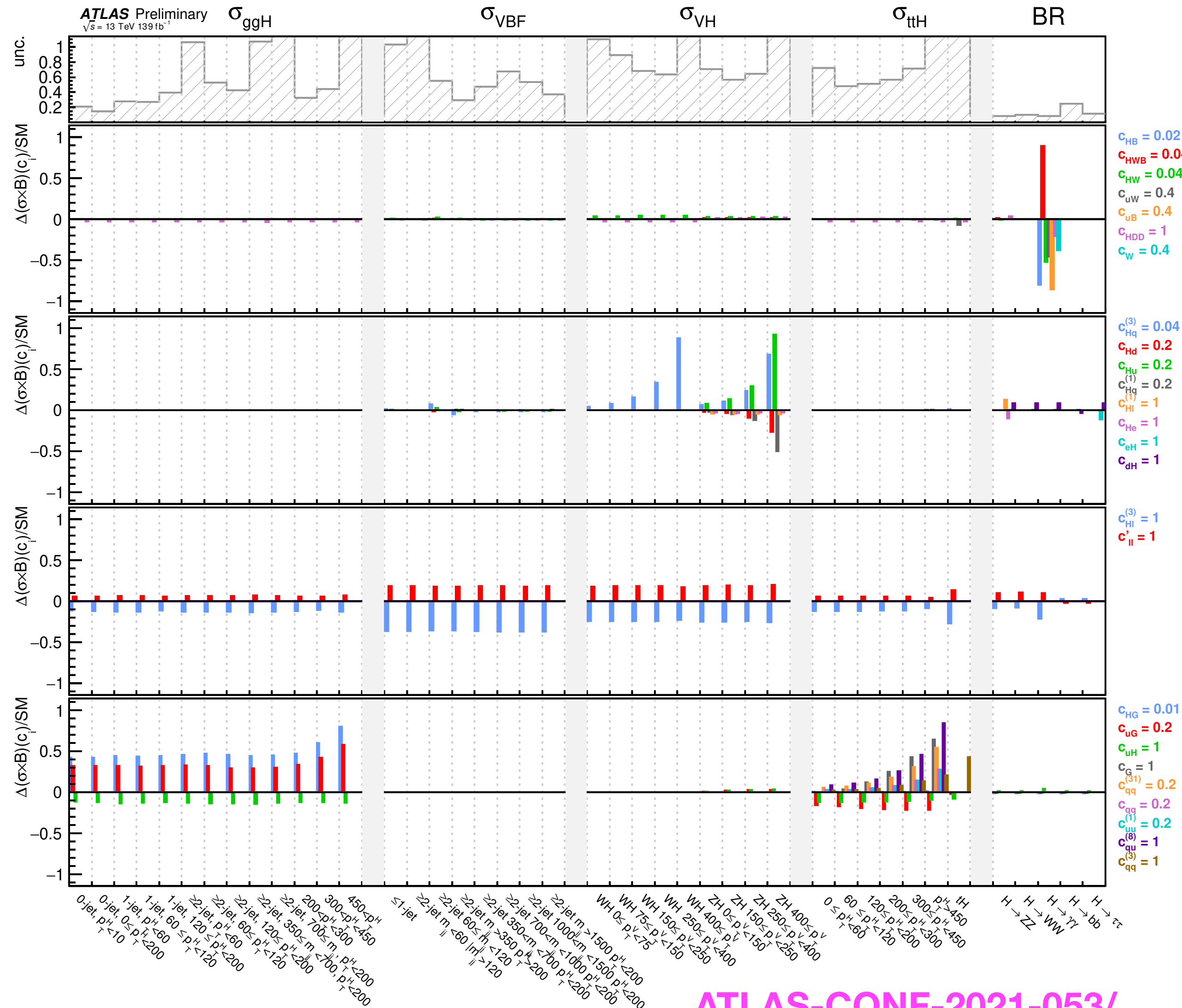
Parameter	Definition in terms of $\kappa$ modifiers	Result
$\kappa_{gZ}$	$\kappa_g \kappa_Z / \kappa_H$	$0.98 \pm 0.05$
$\lambda_{tg}$	$\kappa_t / \kappa_g$	$1.00 \pm 0.11$
$\lambda_{Zg}$	$\kappa_Z / \kappa_g$	$1.07 \pm 0.09$
$\lambda_{WZ}$	$\kappa_W / \kappa_Z$	$1.07 \pm 0.06$
$\lambda_{\gamma Z}$	$\kappa_\gamma / \kappa_Z$	$1.05 \pm 0.06$
$\lambda_{Z\gamma Z}$	$\kappa_{Z\gamma} / \kappa_Z$	$1.39 \pm 0.31$ $- 0.37$
$\lambda_{\tau Z}$	$\kappa_\tau / \kappa_Z$	$0.93 \pm 0.07$
$\lambda_{bZ}$	$\kappa_b / \kappa_Z$	$0.89 \pm 0.10$ $- 0.09$
$\lambda_{\mu\tau}$	$\kappa_\mu / \kappa_\tau$	$1.16 \pm 0.28$ $- 0.33$

- $\lambda_{tg} = \kappa_t / \kappa_g$ :  $\kappa_t$  direct determination through ttH compared with indirect determination in the ggF loop ( $\kappa_g$ ). Probe new physics in ggF process
- $\lambda_{\gamma Z} = \kappa_\gamma / \kappa_Z$  or  $\lambda_{Z\gamma Z}$ : new particle contribute to  $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma / Z\gamma$  loop ( $\kappa_\gamma$ ) unlike  $H \rightarrow ZZ$ . Probe new physics in  $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma / Z\gamma$
- $\lambda_{\mu\tau} = \kappa_\mu / \kappa_\tau$ : deviation of Higgs Yukawa couplings to the second/third generation fermions



# SMEFT: impacts

- Parametrized their impact on the signal yields in each STXS bin x 5 BR



Many parameters: for illustration, focus on a set that largely affects VH

# Model-dependent interpretation: 2HDM

The two-Higgs-doublet model (**2HDM**):

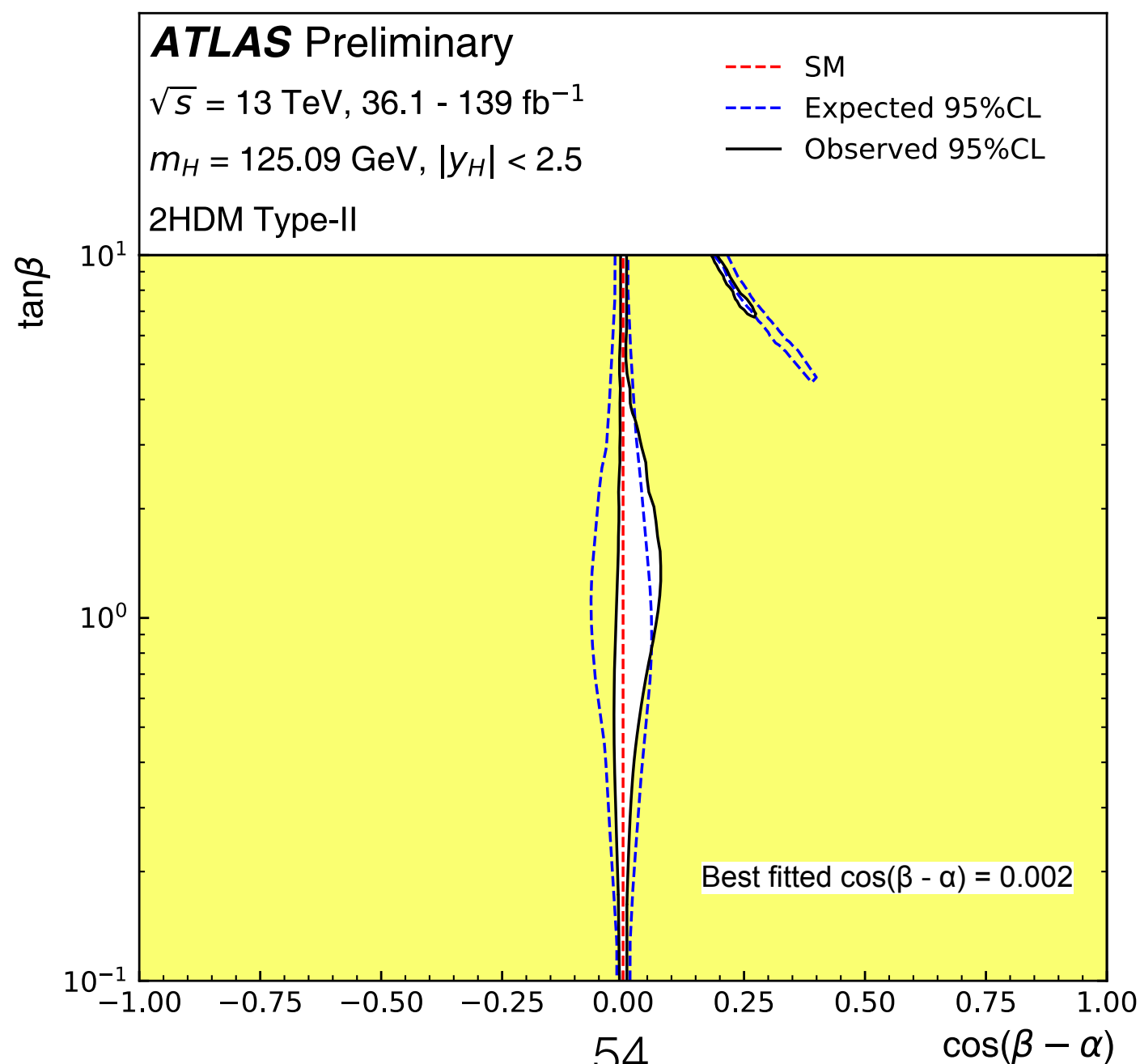
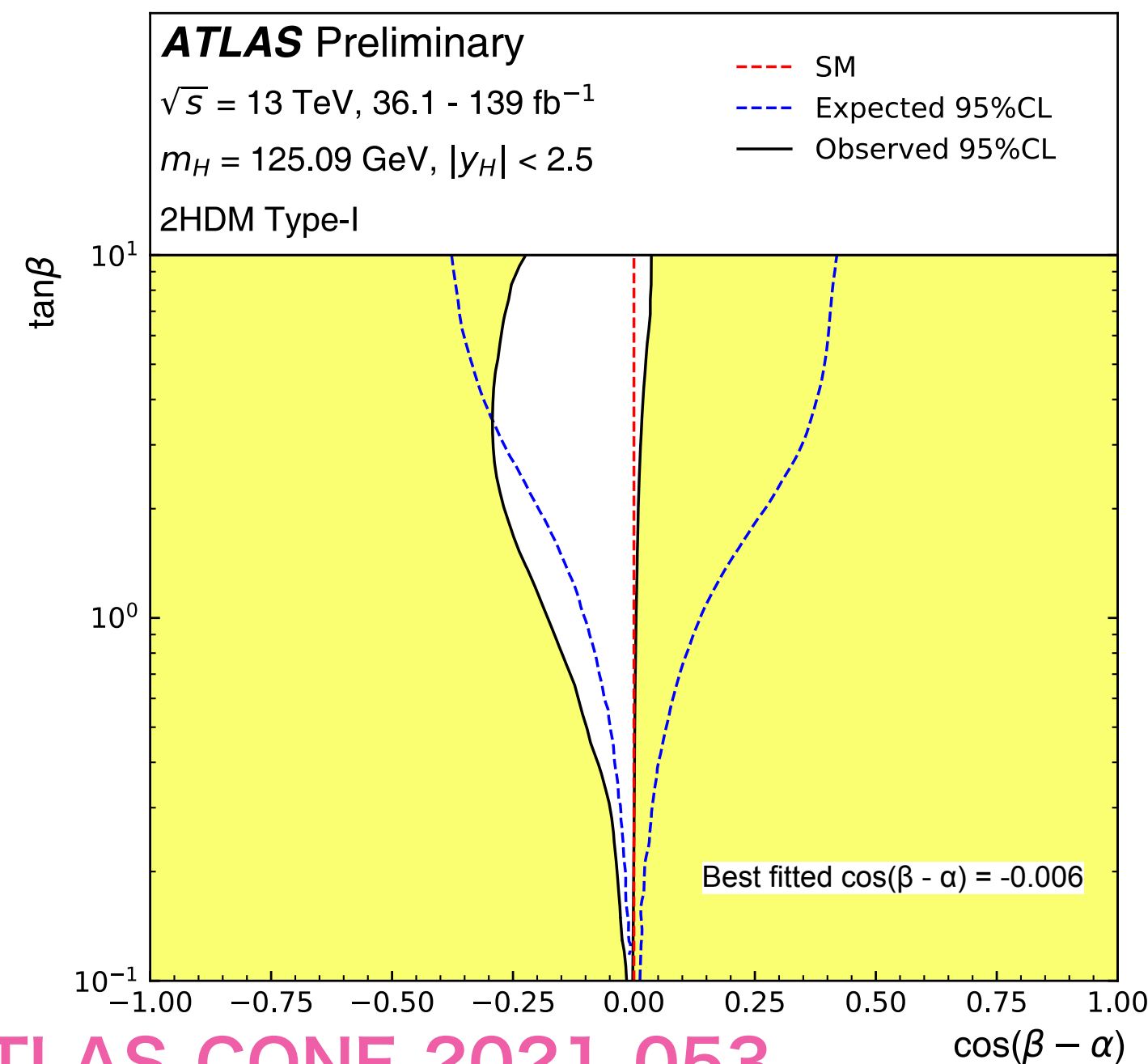
- Extended Higgs sector (2<sup>nd</sup> SU(2) doublet) → 5 Higgs boson:
  - Two neutral CP-even: h, H
  - One neutral CP-odd: A
  - Two charged Higgs boson H<sup>±</sup>
- $\alpha$ : mixing angle between two CP-even Higgs bosons (h, H)
- $\tan\beta$ : ratio of the vacuum expectation values of the two SU(2) doublets
- $H_{SM} = h \cdot \sin(\beta - \alpha) + H \cdot \cos(\beta - \alpha)$
- $\cos(\beta - \alpha) = 0$  (**alignment limit**) ⇒ h indistinguishable from H<sub>SM</sub>

4 2HDM types can be defined w/o tree-level flavour-changing neutral currents

- Variation over allowed couplings to SM particles

Coupling scale factor	Type I	Type II	Lepton-specific	Flipped
$\kappa_V$	$\sin(\beta - \alpha)$			
$\kappa_u$	$\cos(\alpha) / \sin(\beta)$			
$\kappa_d$	$\cos(\alpha) / \sin(\beta)$	$-\sin(\alpha) / \cos(\beta)$	$\cos(\alpha) / \sin(\beta)$	$-\sin(\alpha) / \cos(\beta)$
$\kappa_\ell$	$\cos(\alpha) / \sin(\beta)$	$-\sin(\alpha) / \cos(\beta)$	$-\sin(\alpha) / \cos(\beta)$	$\cos(\alpha) / \sin(\beta)$

Limits on  $\cos(\beta - \alpha)$  vs  $\tan\beta$  (Type I and II shown here, Lepton-specific and Flipped in backup)

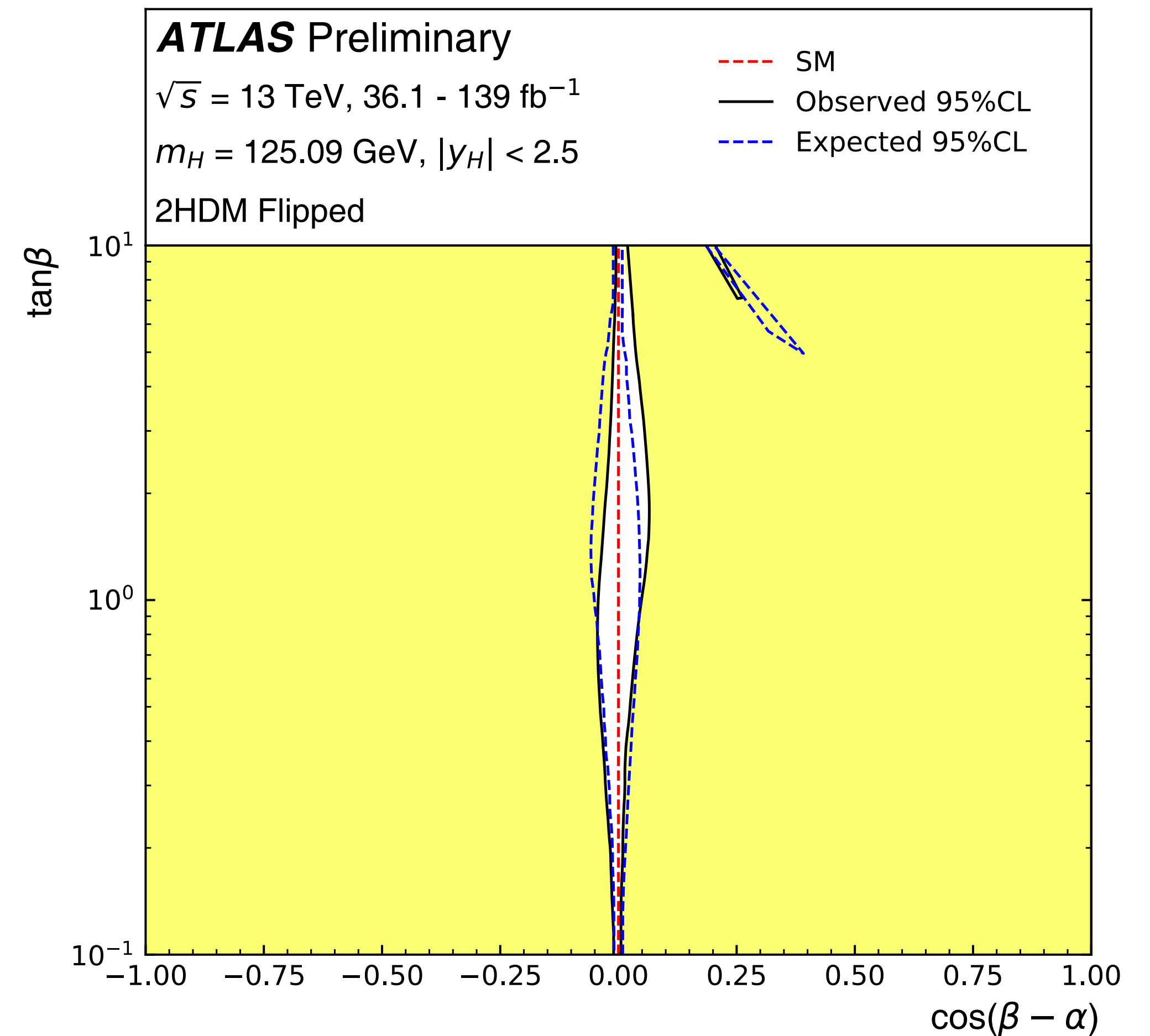
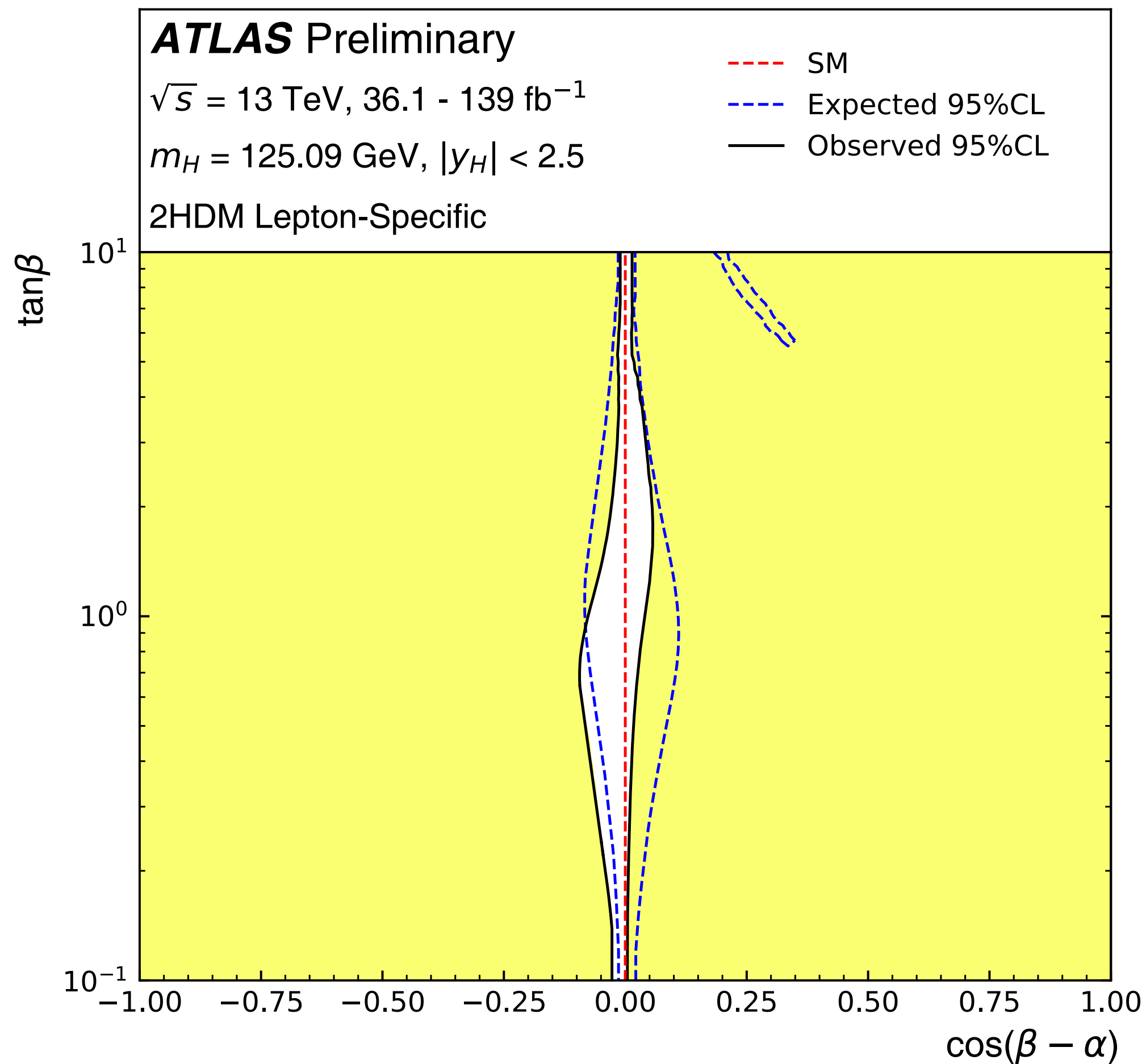


The data is consistent with the alignment limit within  $1\sigma$  or even better

“petal” allowed regions: correspond to regions with  $\cos(\beta + \alpha) \approx 0$ , some fermion couplings have the same magnitude as in the SM, but the opposite sign

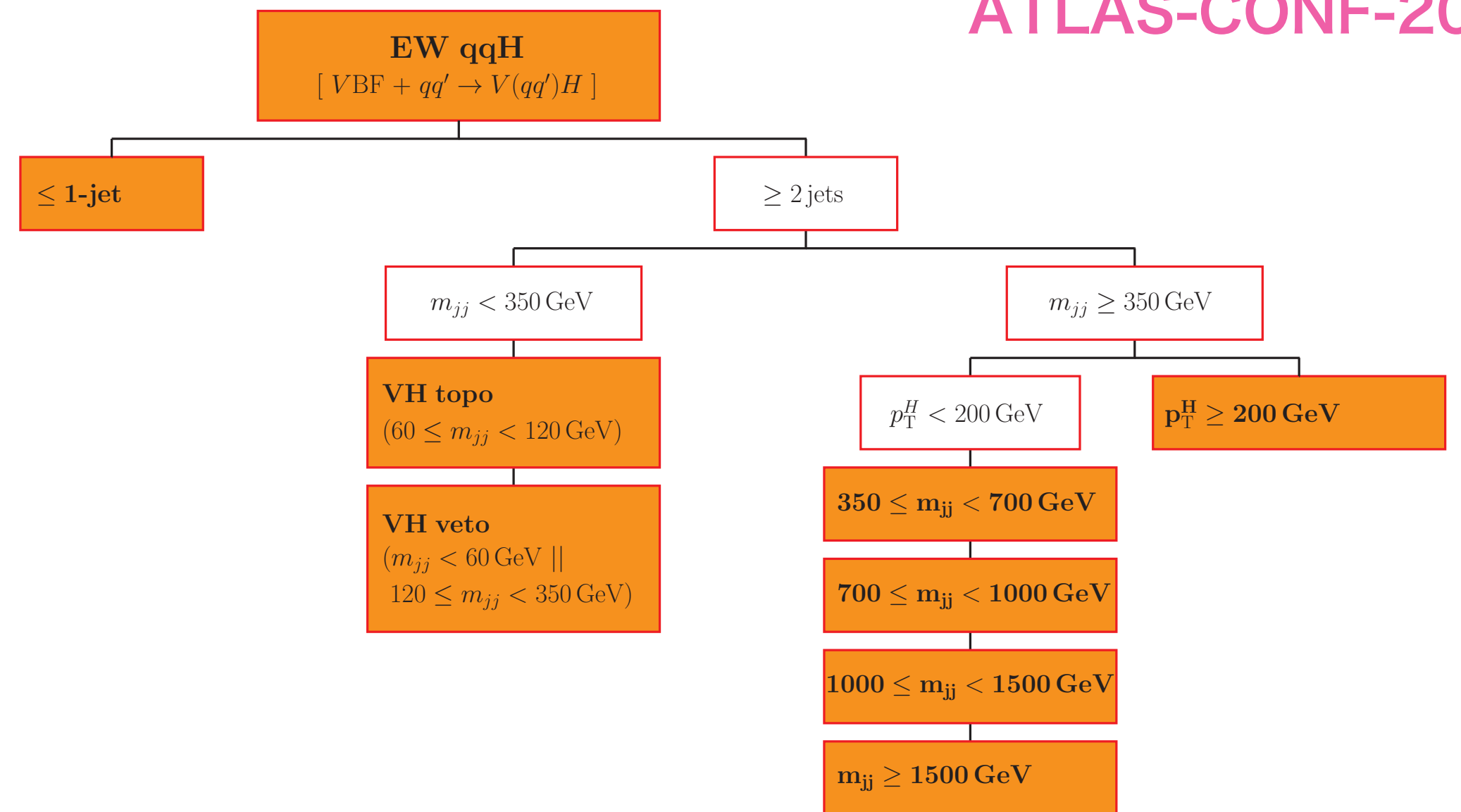
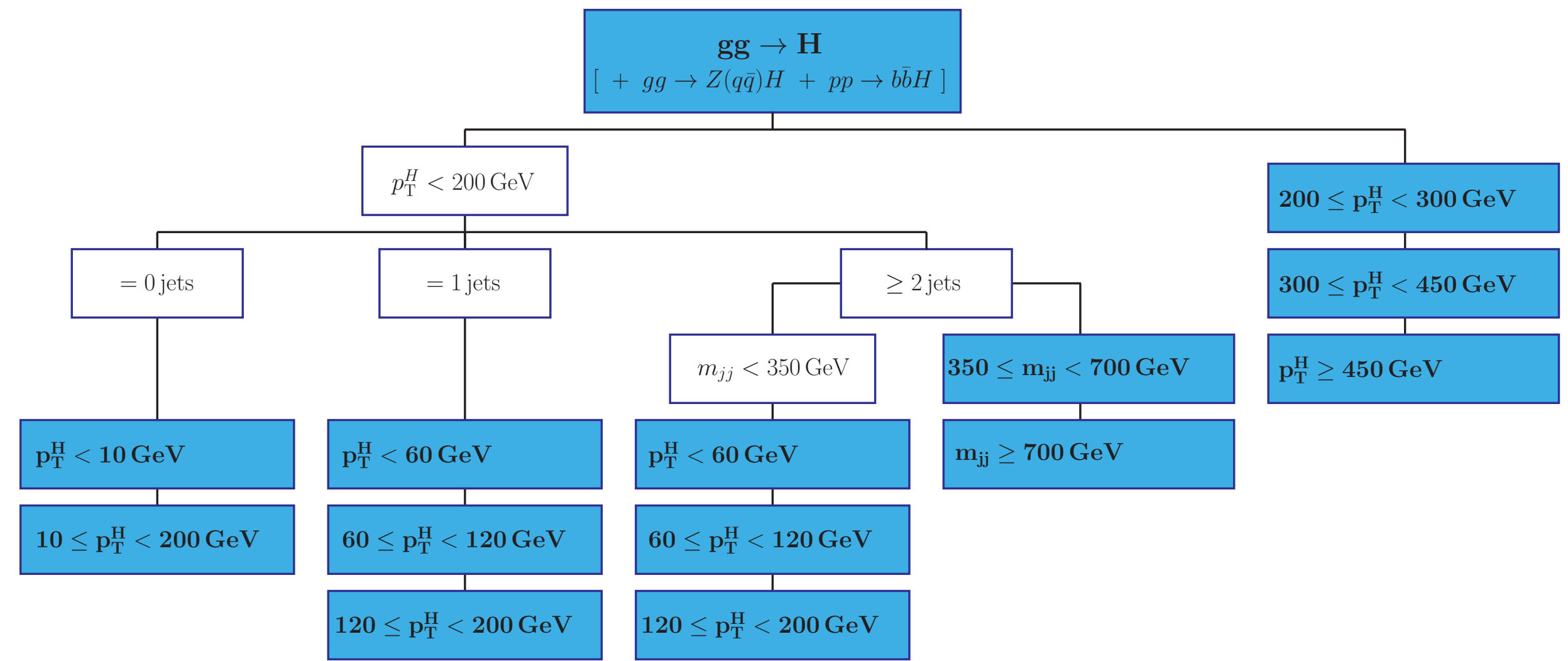
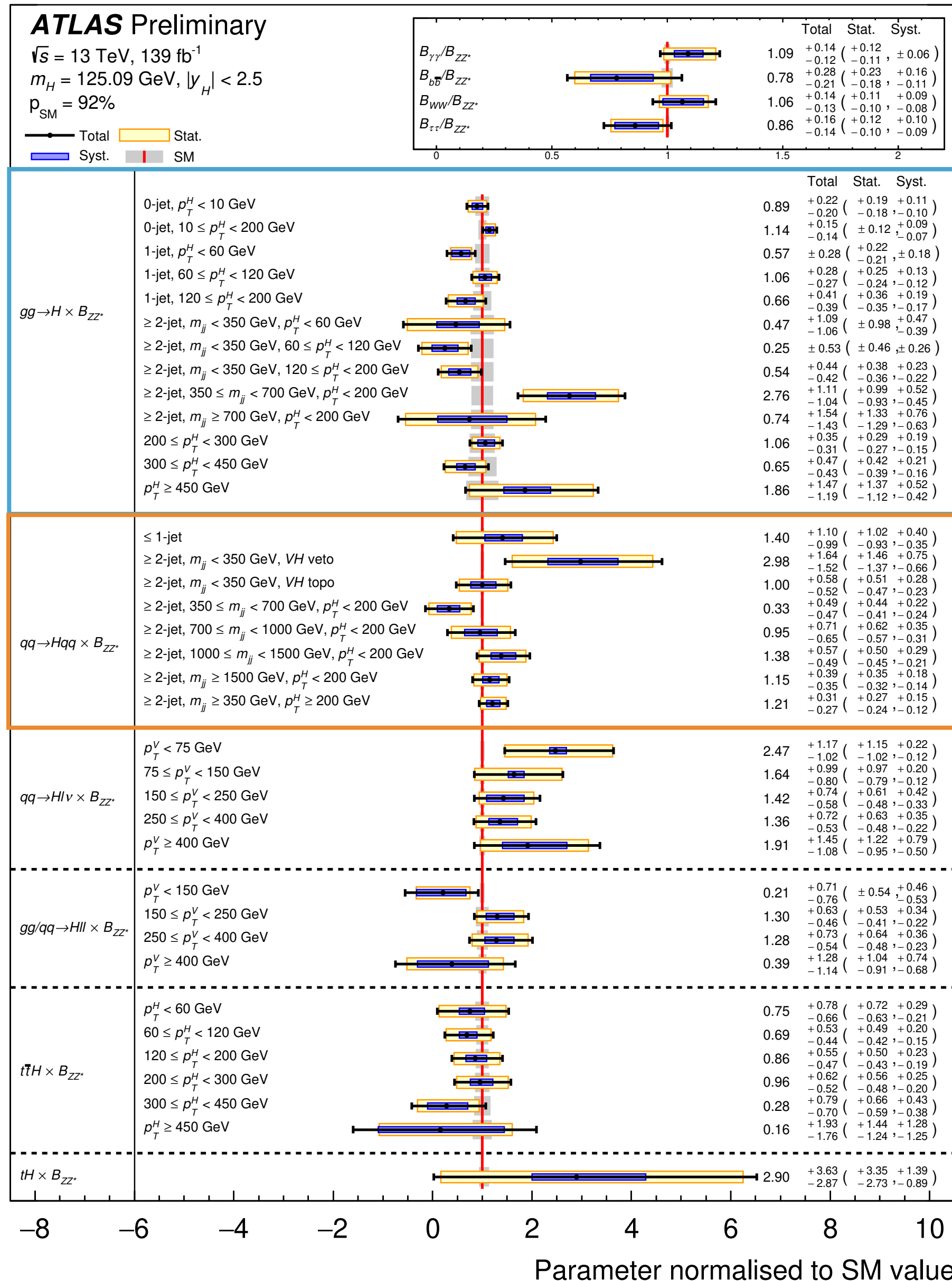
# Constraints on new phenomena

## ► Alternative models



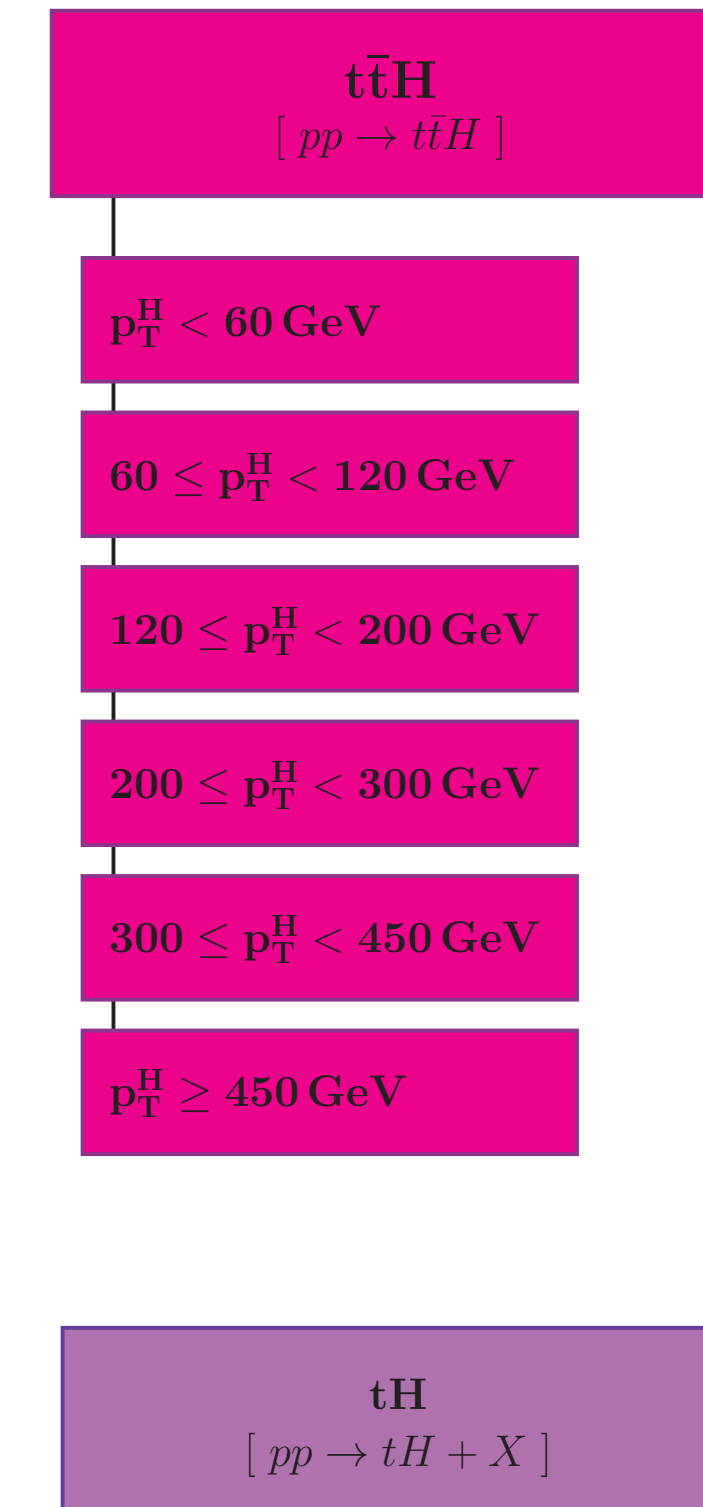
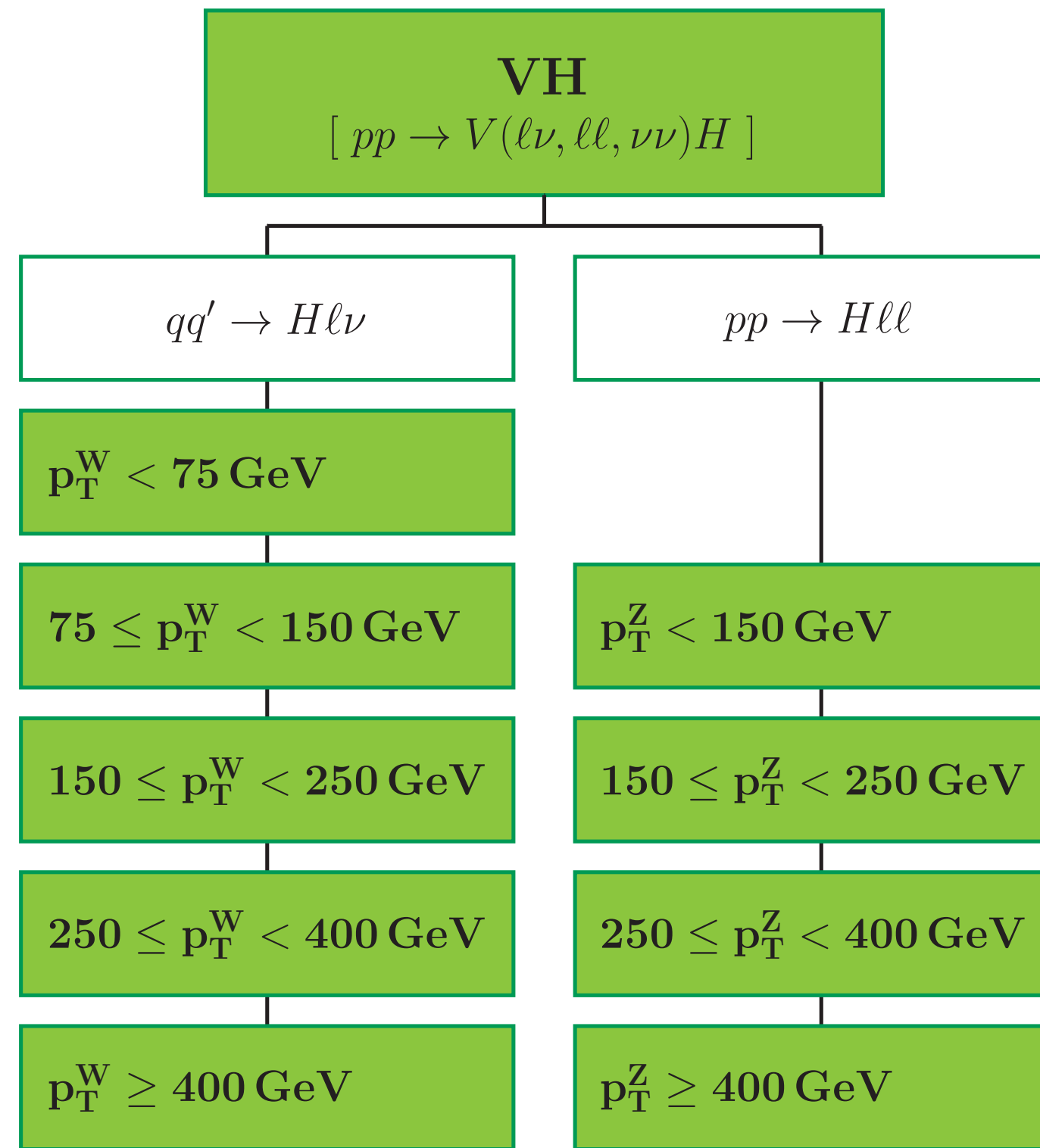
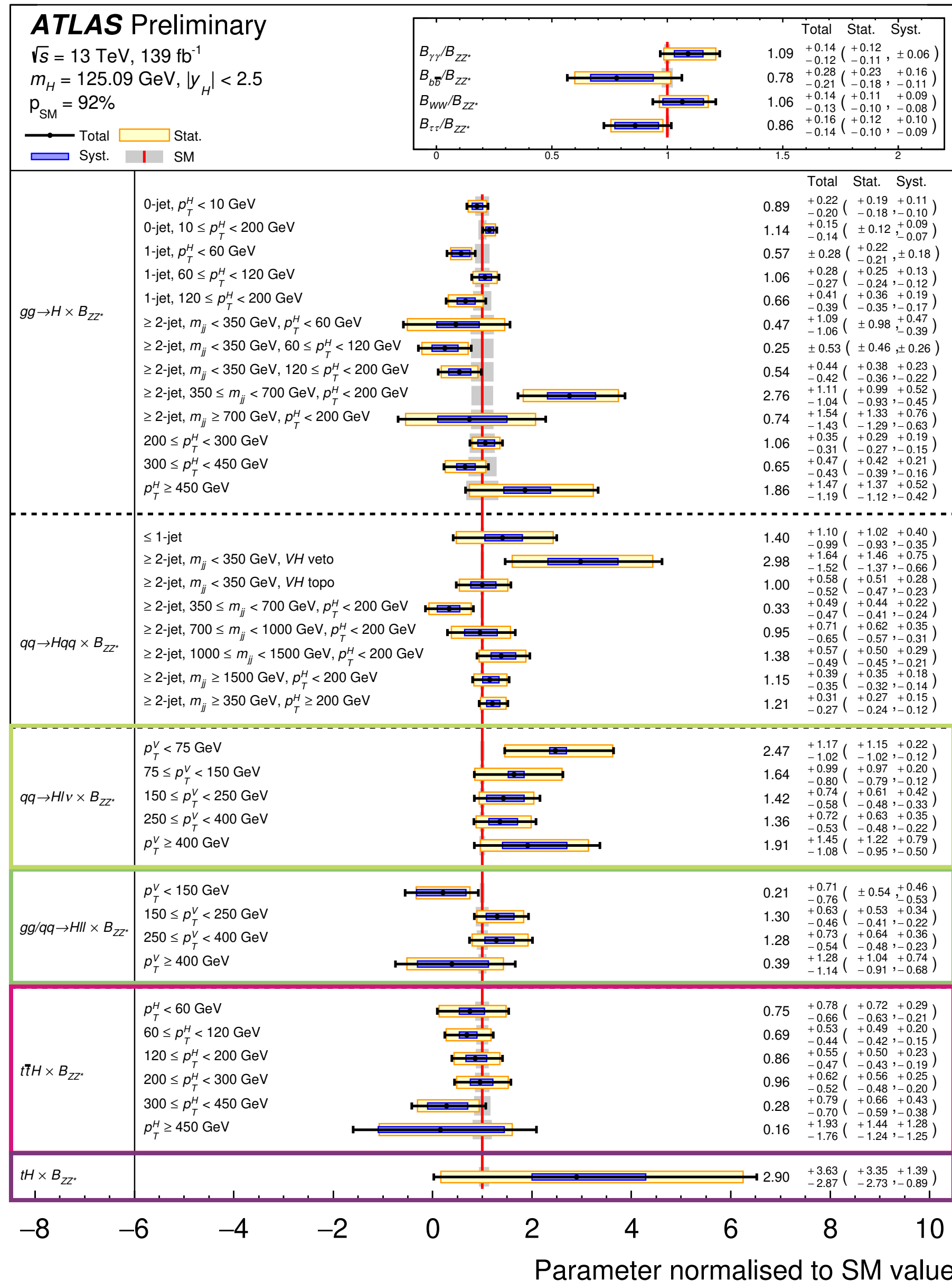


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# HH $\rightarrow$ bb $\gamma\gamma$

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