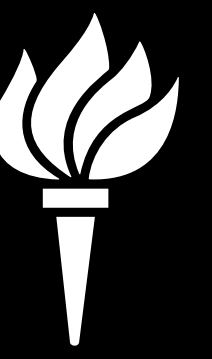


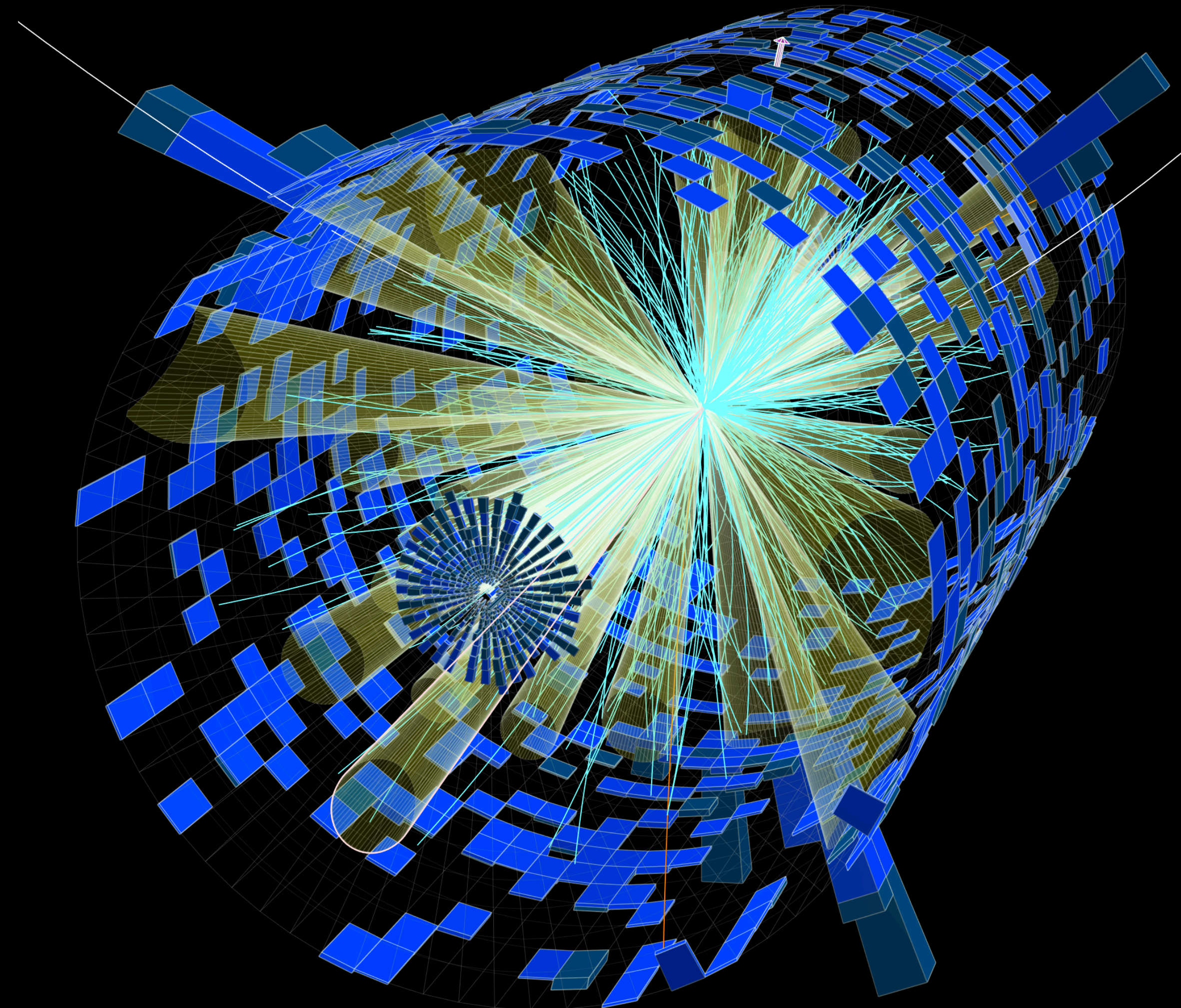


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TOWARDS A WHITE-PAPER ON PUBLIC LIKELIHOODS



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Introduction

I have **a lot** of thoughts on this topic, so aiming at high-level points

- Please see PhyStat seminar for more details that may be helpful for the white paper <https://indico.cern.ch/event/962997/>

See also Nicholas Wardle's PhyStat Seminar:

- <https://indico.cern.ch/event/1012319/>

Publishing likelihoods

- **General agreement over importance of publishing likelihoods (LHs)**
 - Already back in 2000!
- **Why is it important?**
 - Likelihood one of the most important data products of HEP analyses.
 - Nearly everything in an analysis affects the LH (trigger, detector, systematic uncertainties, event selection, ...)
 - Most of the analysis products we publish on HEPdata are lossy projections of our LHs.
 - ▶ Theorists still have to do "guesses" to build realistic LH.
- **Actually publishing/preserving is tricky though ...**
 - What do we want to preserve exactly? And how? In what format?
 - Do not really have a software-independent format of the LH to put on HEPdata ...

➔ **Start with a single more tractable model first:** HistFactory

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CERN, Geneva, Switzerland
17-18 January 2000

Massimo Corradi
It seems to me that there is a **general consensus that what is really meaningful for an experiment is likelihood**, and almost everybody would agree on the prescription that experiments should give their likelihood function for these kinds of results. **Does everybody agree on this statement, to publish likelihoods?**

Louis Lyons
Any disagreement? **Carried unanimously**. That's actually quite an achievement for this Workshop.
<https://cds.cern.ch/record/452080>

EP-IT Data science seminars

PHYSTAT seminar: Can we really "Re"-interpret data from the LHC?

by Nicholas Wardle (Imperial College (GB))

Wednesday 10 Mar 2021, 11:00 → 12:00 Europe/Zurich
CERN

Description Data from high energy physics experiments are expensive. It takes many person-hours and multiple millions of euros/dollars/pounds/swiss francs to produce and collect data from the LHC. Naturally, being able to re-interpret published results and information from the LHC experiments is vital to ensure the longevity of the LHC data and its validity in global searches for new physics - it's just not enough to publish limits excluding some well motivated model or measure some parameters and move on. I will discuss ongoing efforts to make Run-2 LHC results and data "re"-interpretable so that they can be re-used long after the results are published, and the various levels of approximation they require. I'll discuss several ways such re-interpretations are performed in the high energy physics community and hopes for future runs of the LHC.

The seminar will be done remote only.

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Organized by M. Girone, M. Elsing, L. Moneta, M. Pierini
Event co-organised with the [PHYSTAT Committee](#)

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Introduction

Topics:

- Technical issues around likelihoods
- Surrounding (cyber)infrastructure: repositories, citation, RECAST, ...
- Incentives, encouragement, evidence to support those in community working to make this happen
- Goals of white paper, audience

Introduction

We are at a “tipping point” There is more positive momentum than I’ve ever seen

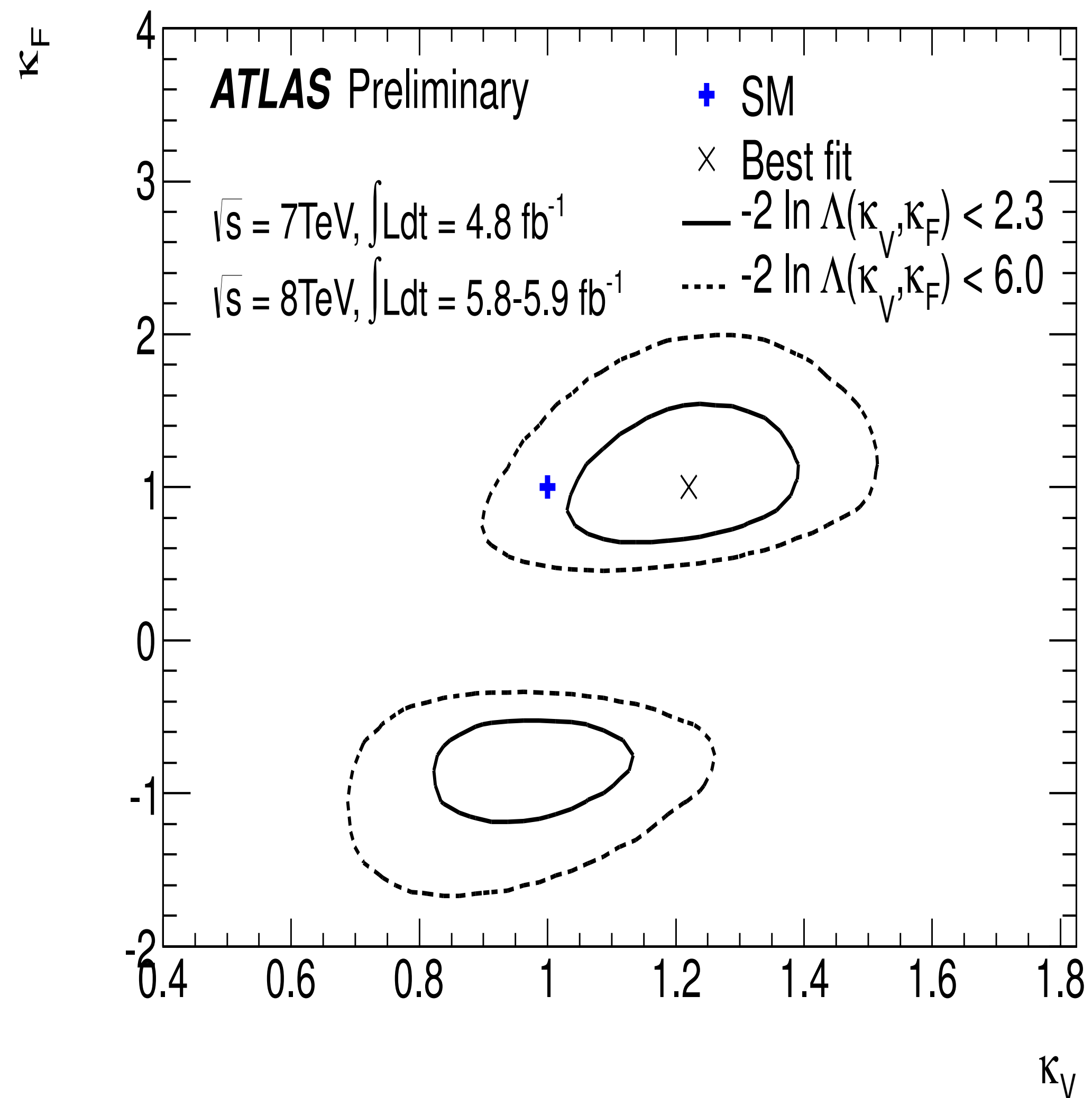
- Suggest we take a positive tone of encouragement
- We should also all educate ourselves about all the efforts that are going on:
 - Citations to DOIs for software and data products
 - Training efforts

My sense is that within different groups (Higgs, SM, SUSY/Exotics, top, flavor) and different experiments (ATLAS, CMS, LHCb, ...) there are different attitudes

- e.g. ATLAS SUSY/Exotics embracing full likelihoods, opening discussion more broadly
- but surprisingly Higgs EFT and STXS community don’t seem to be very aware of developments or relevance to their problems

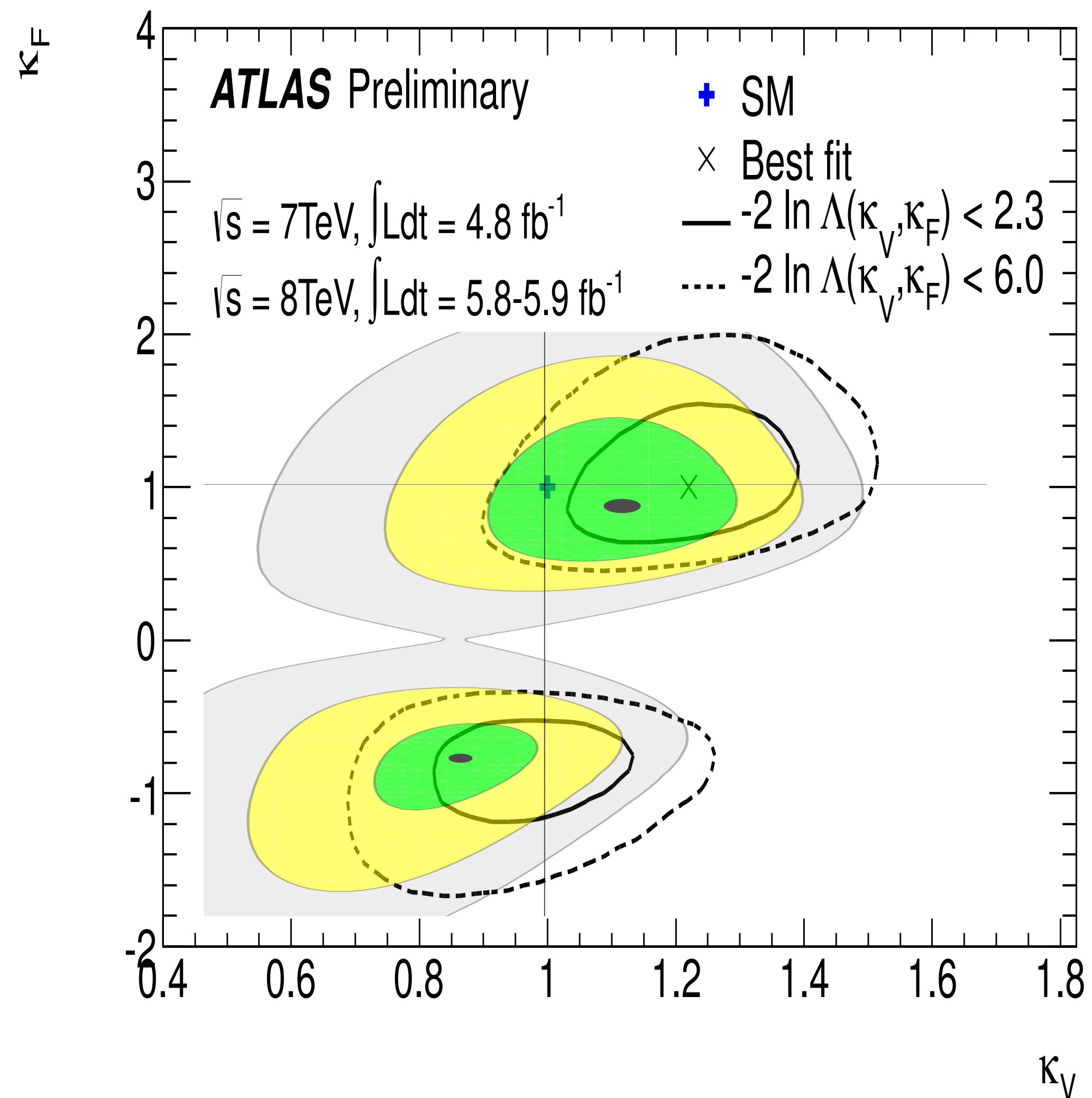
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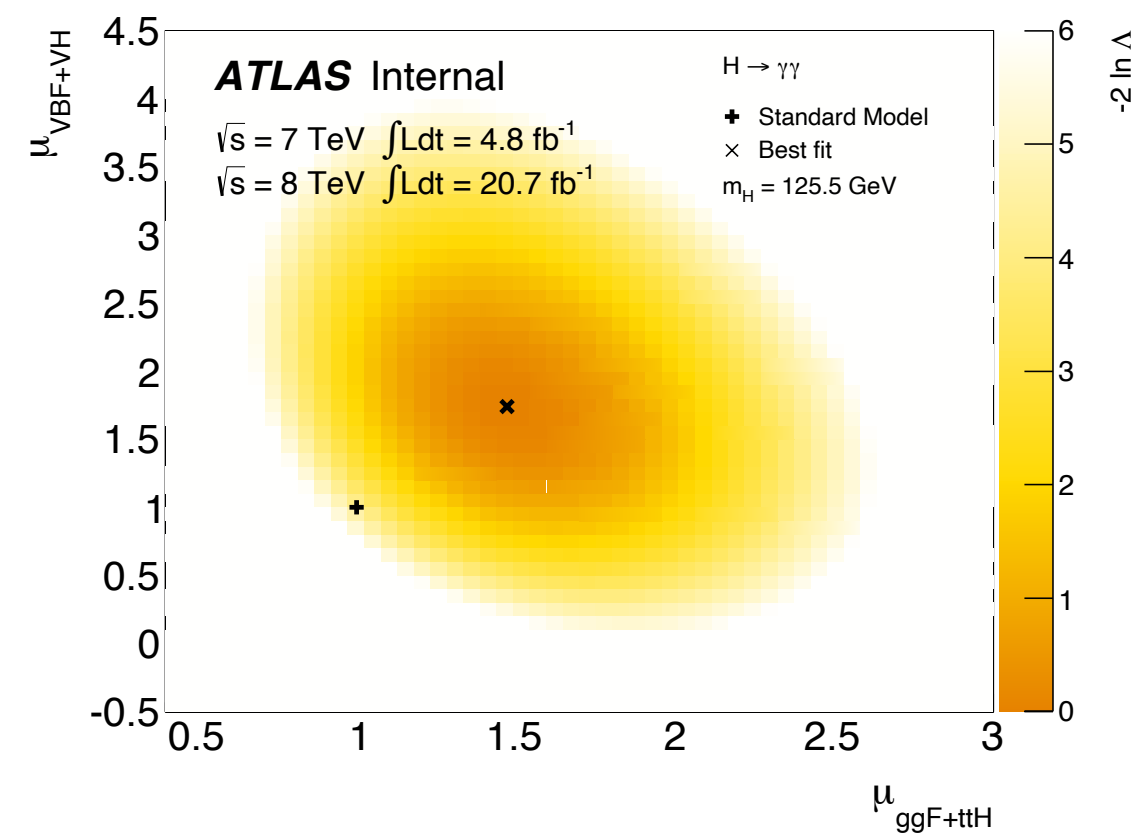
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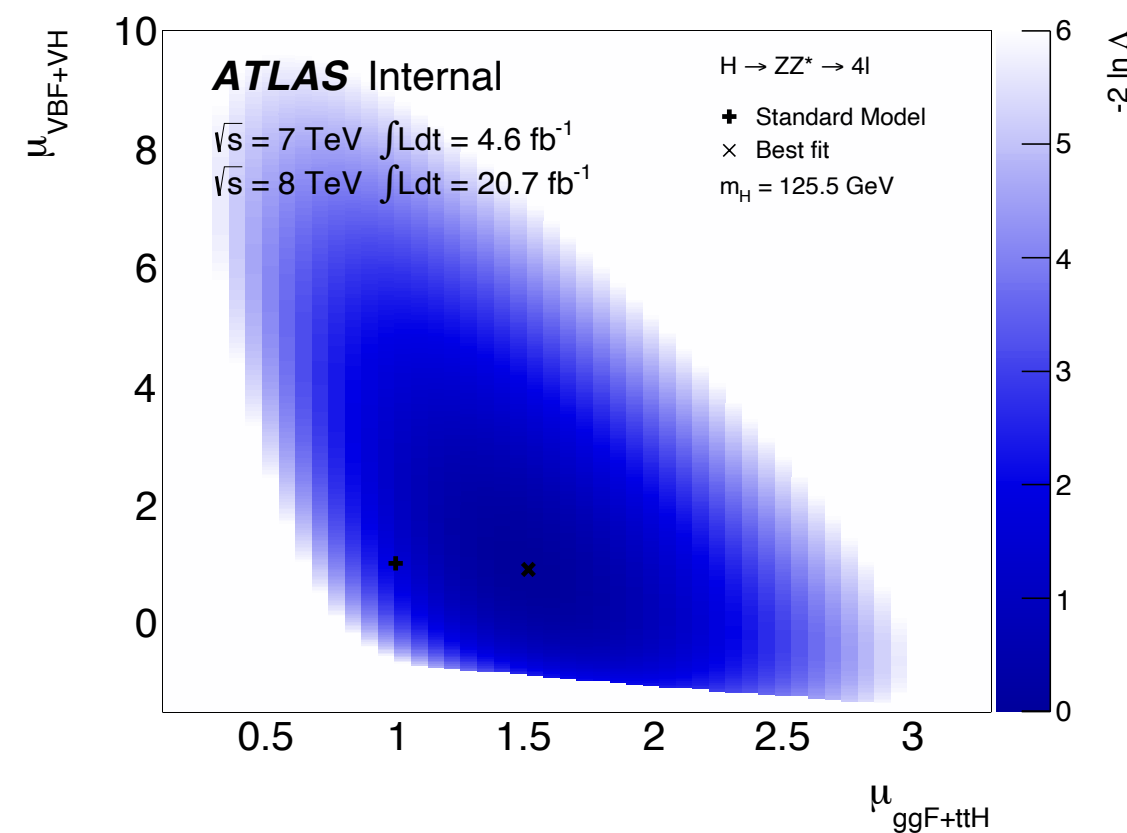
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First step: publish likelihood scans for communicating LHC Higgs results.

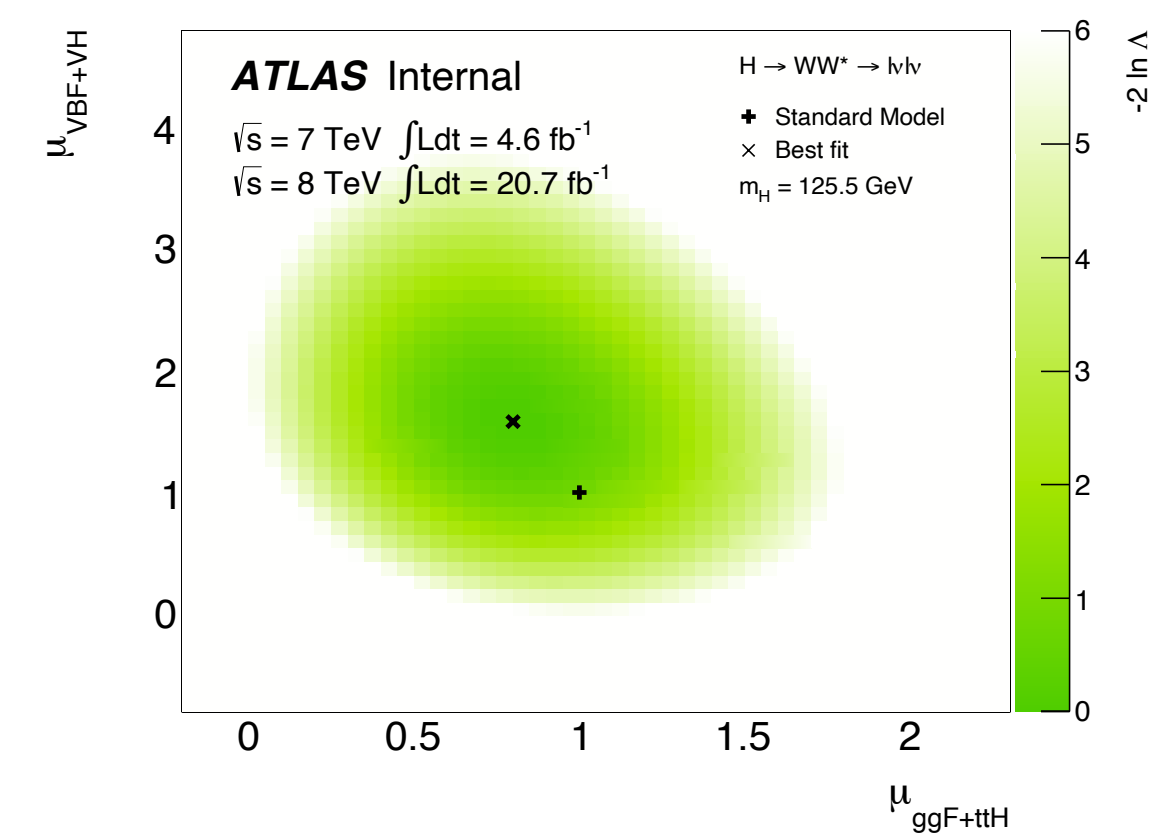
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Jul 4, 2013 - 32 pages

Phys.Lett. B726 (2013) 88-119

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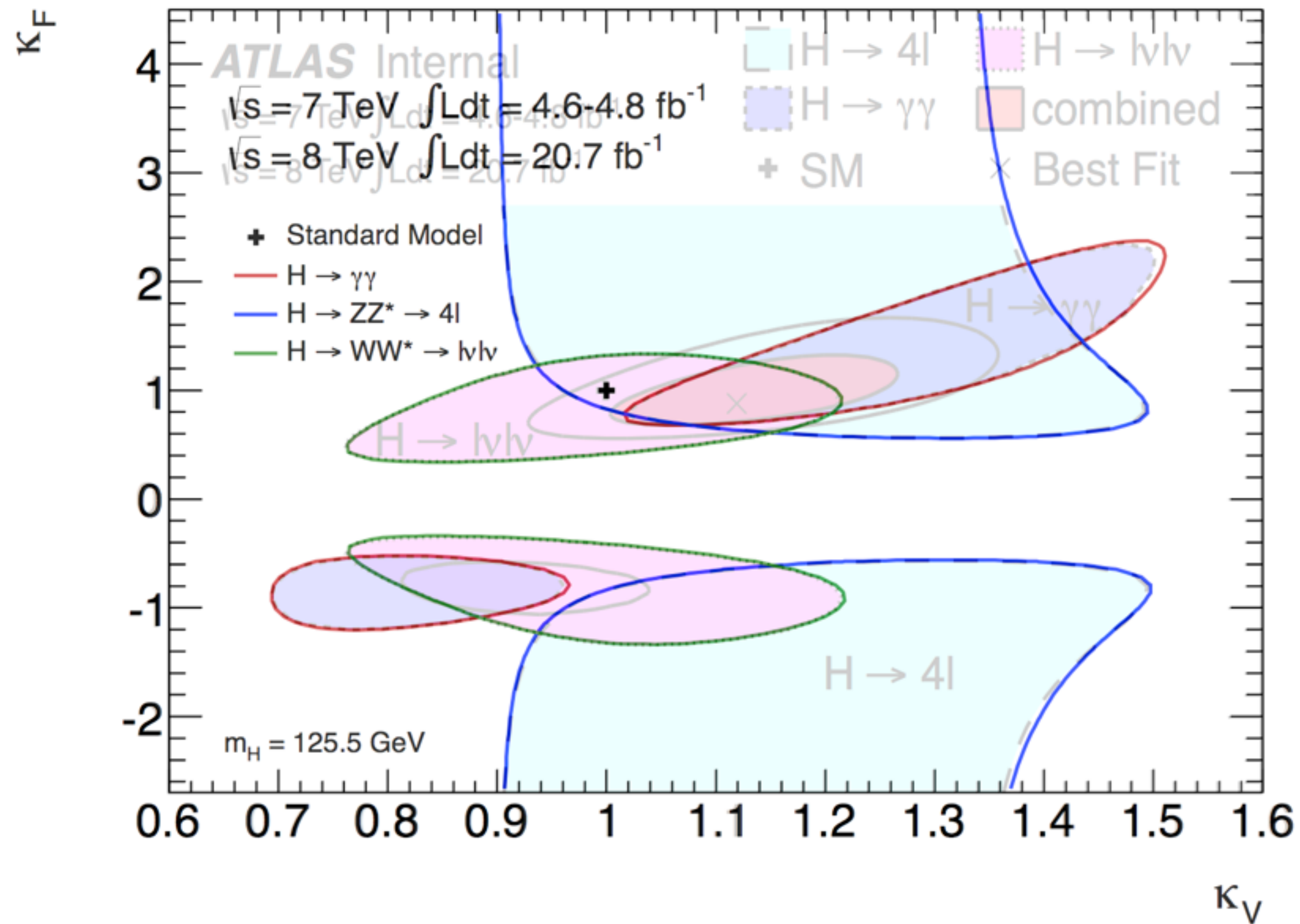
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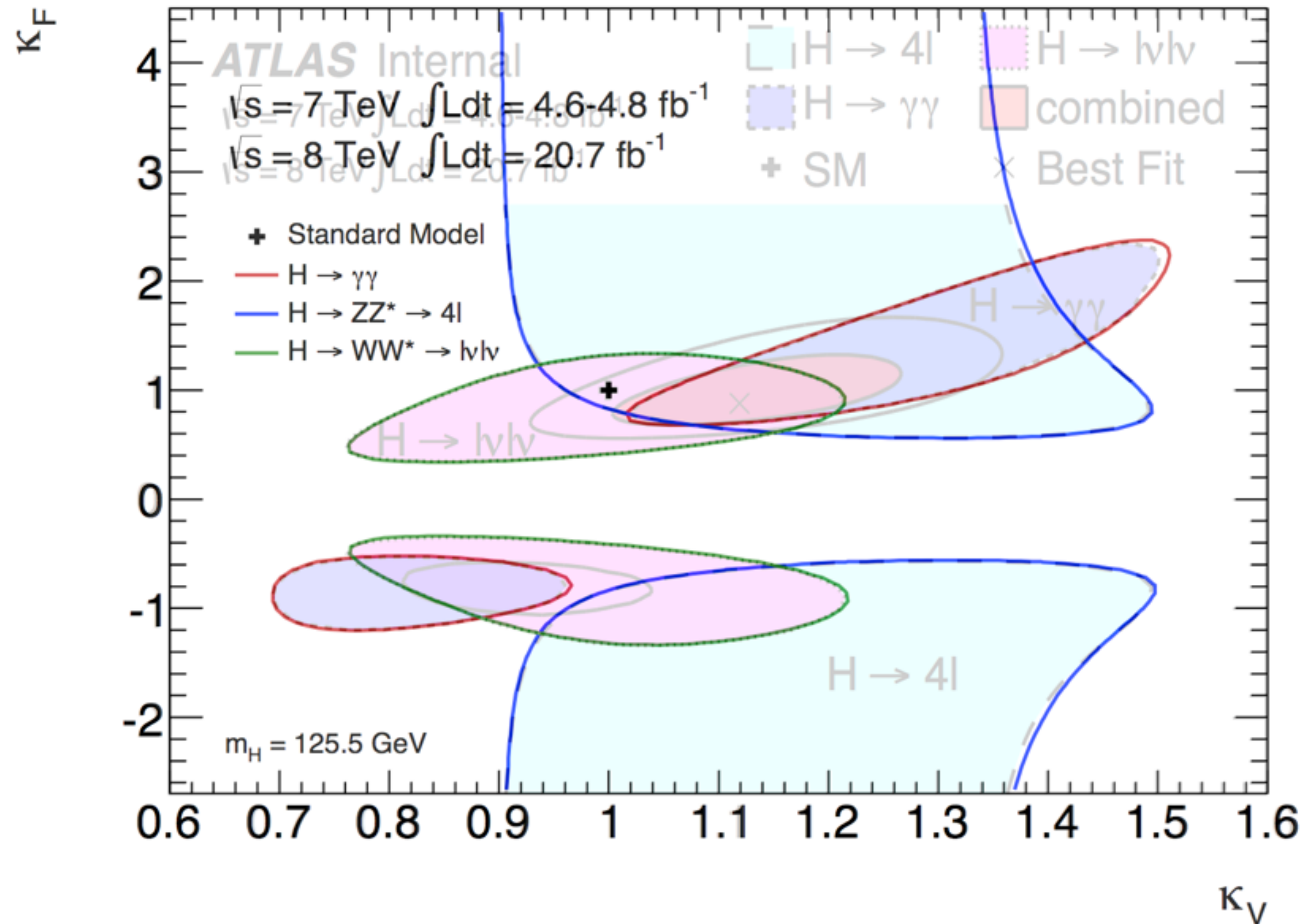
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But still simplified likelihood scans, not the full statistical model

Terminology

Given a **probability model** $p(X | \theta)$ and a data x_0

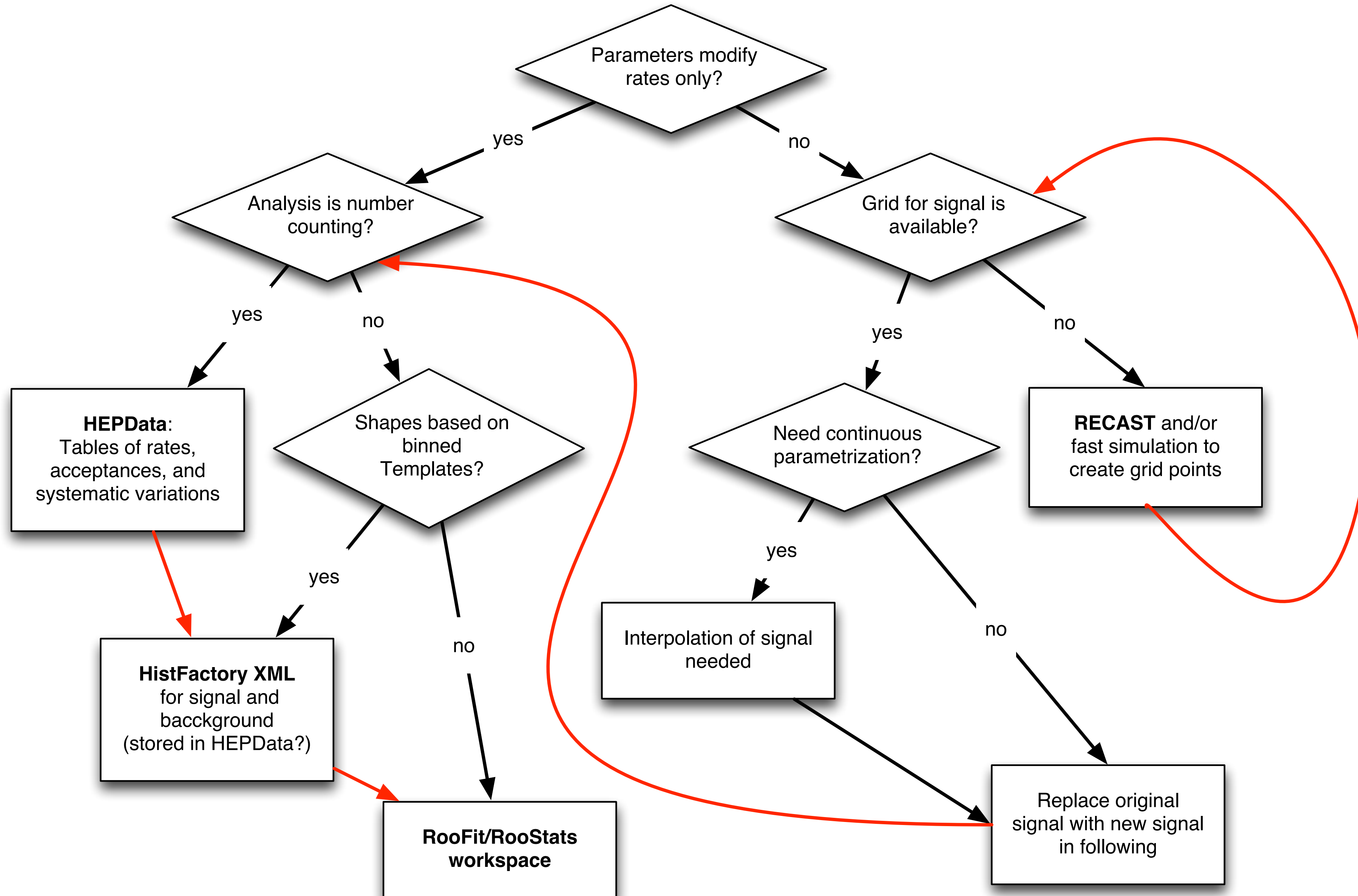
- The **likelihood function** is a function of the parameter θ , and the value is given by $L(\theta) = p(X = x_0 | \theta)$
- But $L(\theta)$ doesn't describe the distribution in X
- Technically the likelihood function doesn't have enough information to generate synthetic data (toy Monte Carlo), which is needed for most frequentist statistical procedures

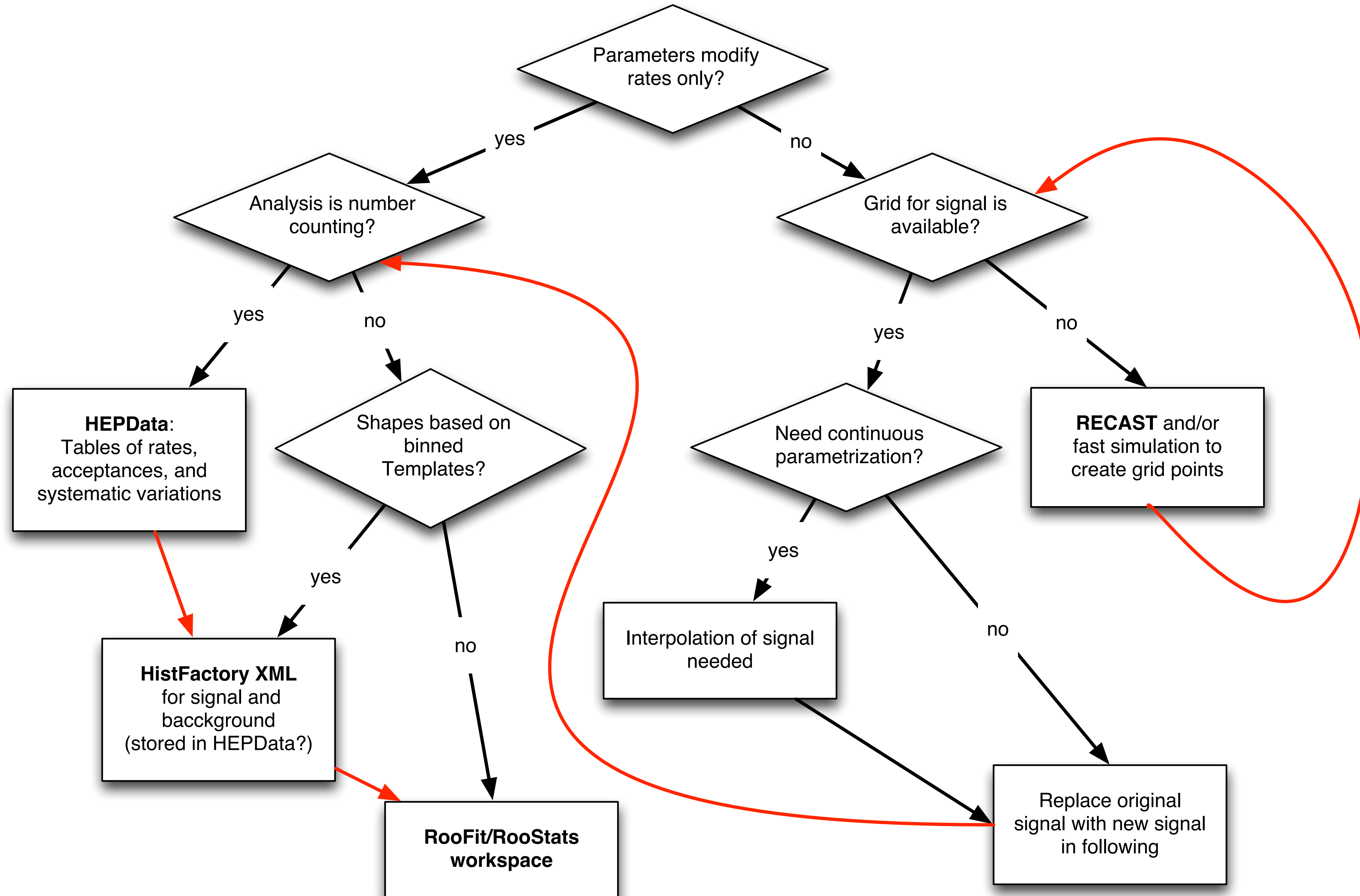
Colloquially, the term likelihood function is used in HEP often when we mean the full probability model $p(X | \theta)$

- We should be clear in paper, but no need to belabor the point here

Note: an intermediate provide a function $f(x, \theta) \propto p(x | \theta)$ (e.g. a NN likelihood ratio)

- it is a function of the data x , but you can't (easily) sample from it (e.g. to generate toy MC)





Likelihood Publishing + RECAST =



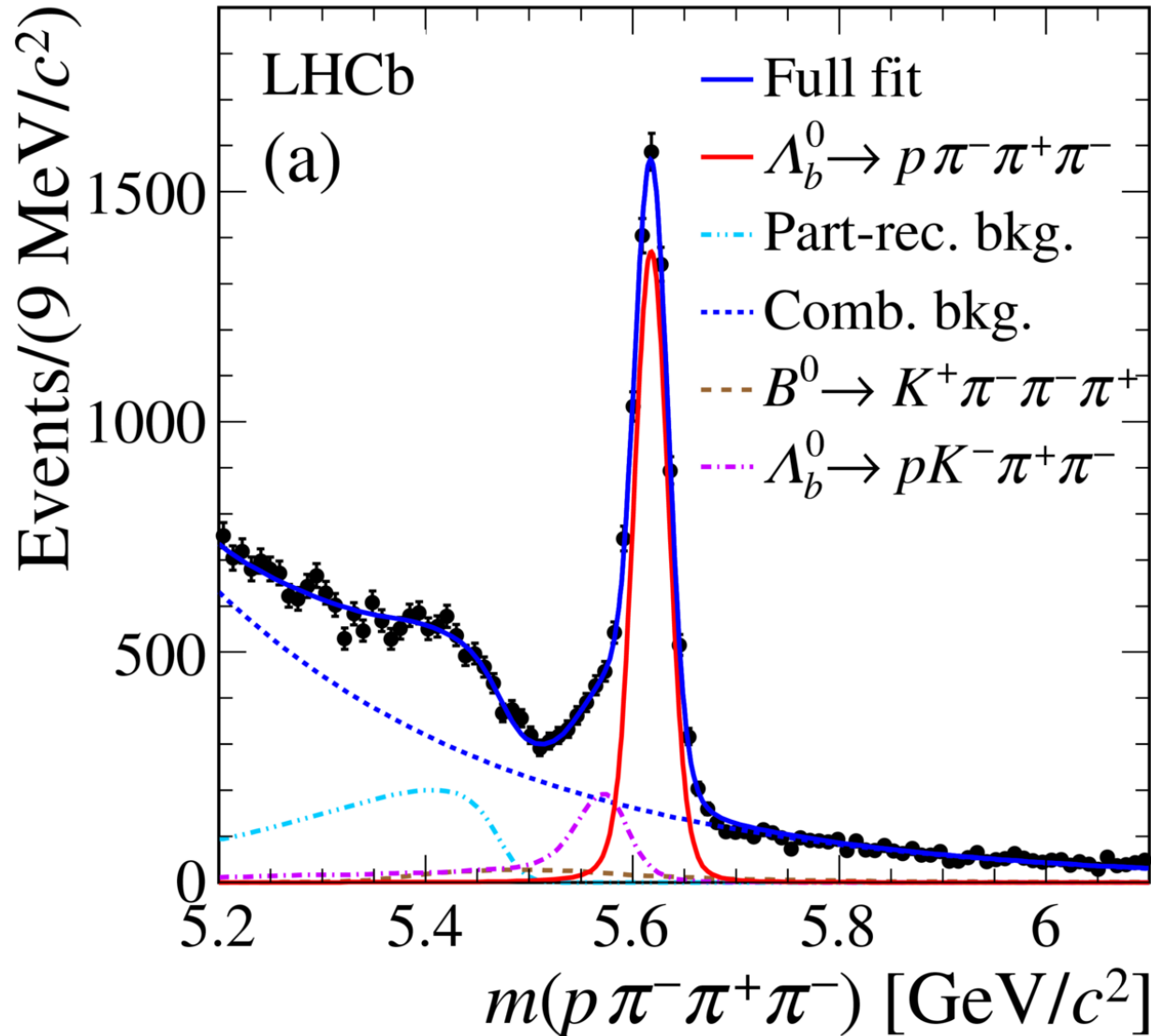
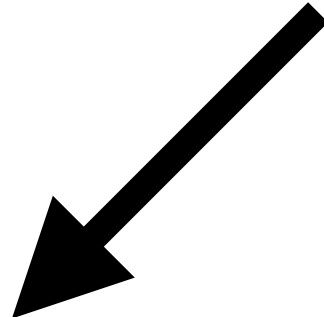
Binned vs. unbinned

The RooWorkspace was designed to be able to store any type of statistical model

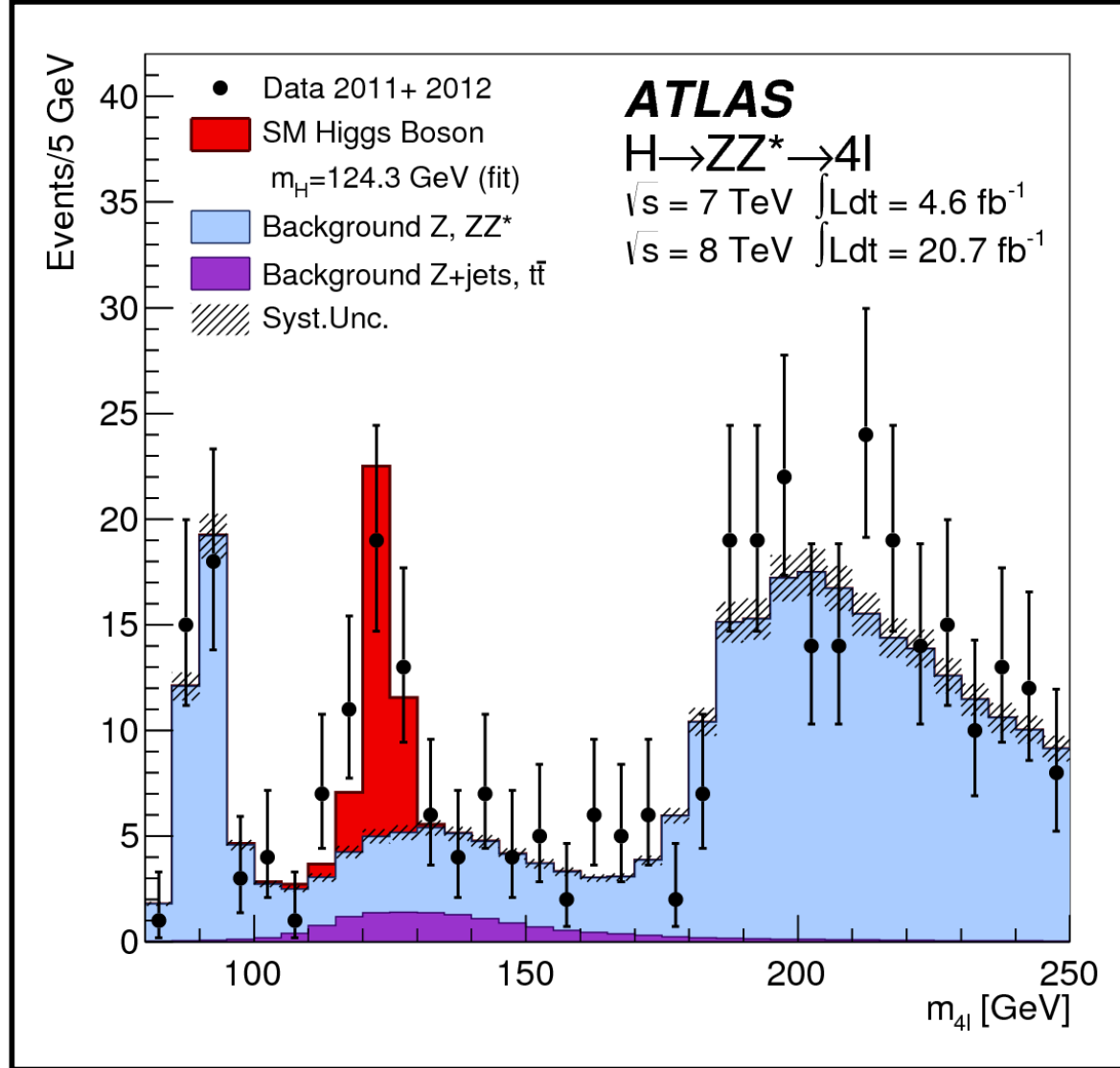
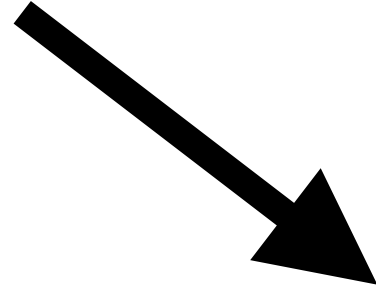
→ source of many complications

broadly we have two classes of analyses: **binned** and **unbinned**

unbinned



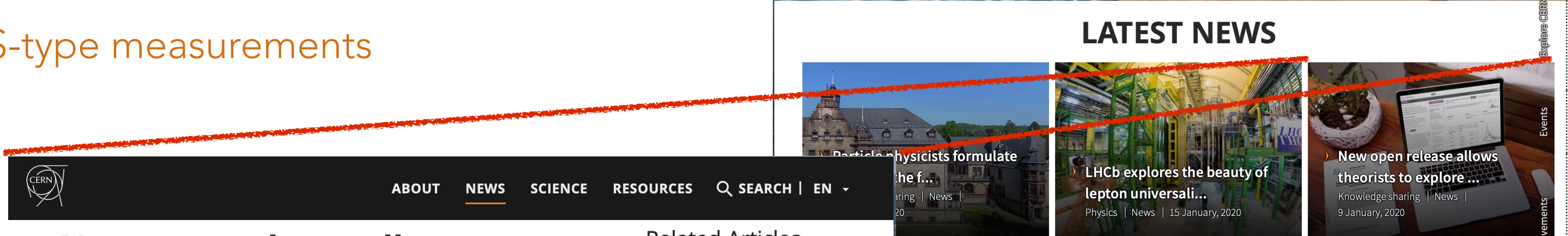
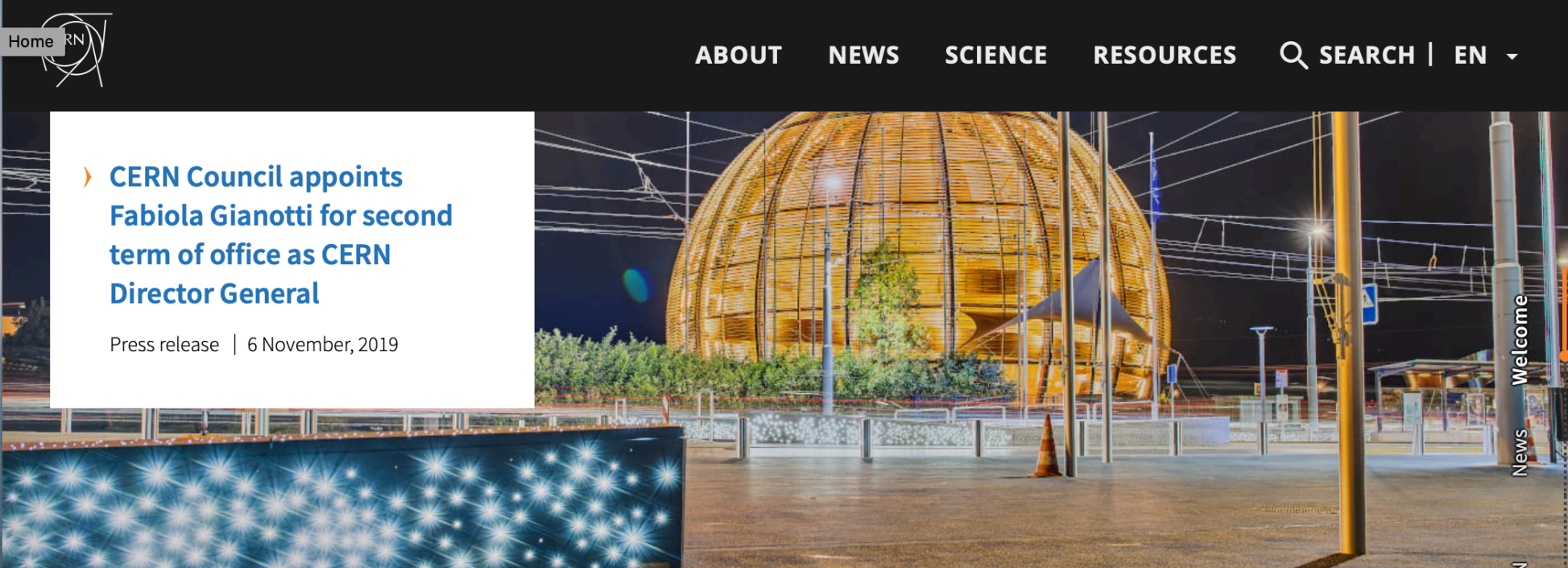
binned



Recent progress

Recently ATLAS has started publishing full likelihoods to HEPData for SUSY and exotics searches

- Perfect for STXS-type measurements



New open release allows theorists to explore LHC data in a new way

The ATLAS collaboration releases full analysis likelihoods, a first for an LHC experiment

9 JANUARY, 2020 | By Katarina Anthony



Explore ATLAS open likelihoods on the HEPData platform (Image: CERN)

What if you could test a new theory against LHC data? Better yet, what if the expert knowledge needed to do this was captured in a convenient format? This tall order is now on

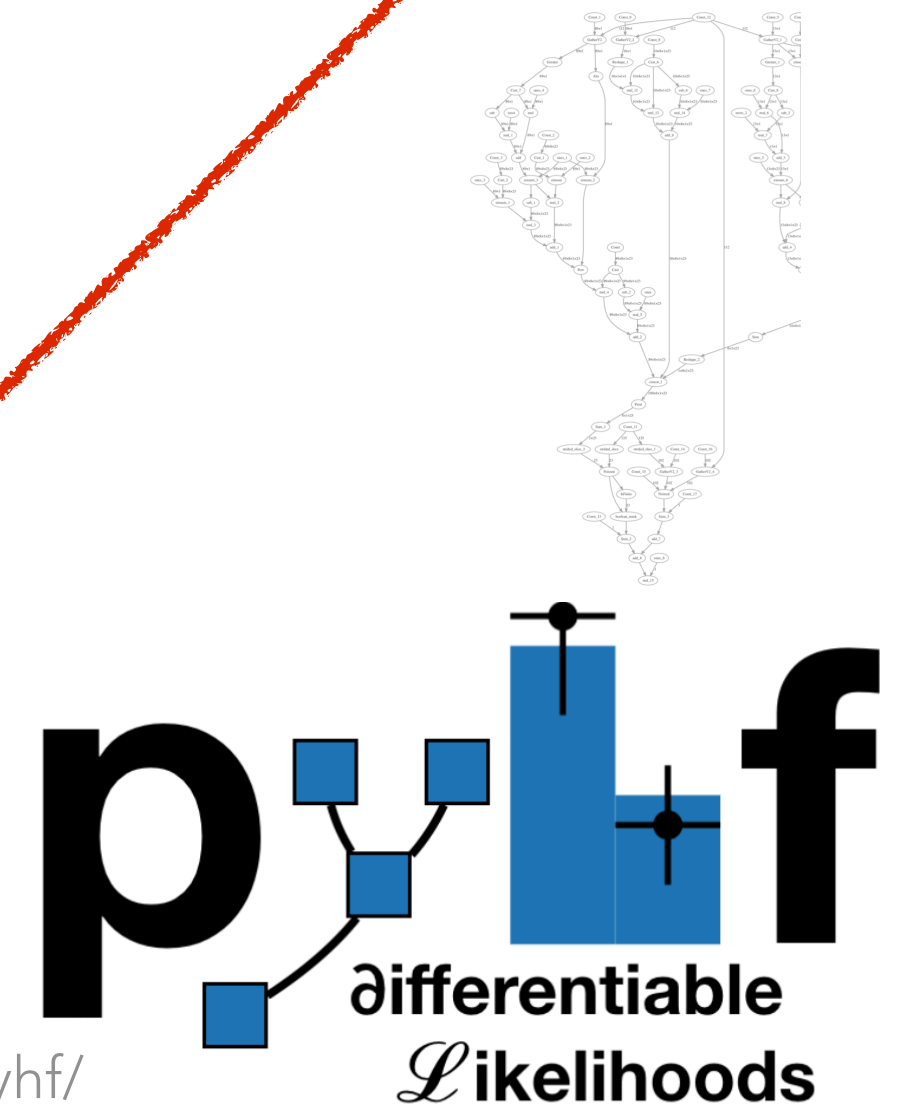
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Published Likelihoods

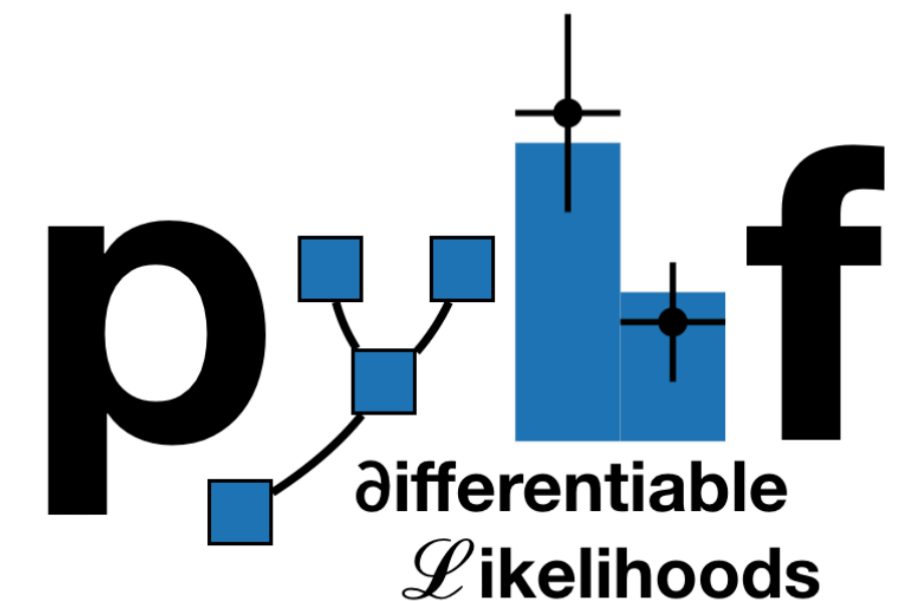
Updating list of HEPData entries for publications using **HistFactory** JSON likelihoods:

- Search for trilepton resonances from chargino and neutralino pair production in $s\sqrt{=13}$ TeV pp collisions with the ATLAS detector. 2020. [doi:10.17182/hepdata.99806](https://doi.org/10.17182/hepdata.99806).
- Search for displaced leptons in $s\sqrt{=13}$ TeV pp collisions with the ATLAS detector. 2020. [doi:10.17182/hepdata.98796](https://doi.org/10.17182/hepdata.98796).
- Search for squarks and gluinos in final states with same-sign leptons and jets using 139 fb⁻¹ of data collected with the ATLAS detector. 2020. [doi:10.17182/hepdata.91214](https://doi.org/10.17182/hepdata.91214).
- Search for direct production of electroweakinos in final states with one lepton, missing transverse momentum and a Higgs boson decaying into two b-jets in (pp) collisions at $s\sqrt{=13}$ TeV with the ATLAS detector. 2020. [doi:10.17182/hepdata.90607](https://doi.org/10.17182/hepdata.90607).
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- Search for direct stau production in events with two hadronic τ -leptons in $s\sqrt{=13}$ TeV pp collisions with the ATLAS detector. 2019. [doi:10.17182/hepdata.92006](https://doi.org/10.17182/hepdata.92006).
- Search for bottom-squark pair production with the ATLAS detector in final states containing Higgs bosons, b-jets and missing transverse momentum. 2019. [doi:10.17182/hepdata.89408](https://doi.org/10.17182/hepdata.89408).

Cite these!



Repository for publication-related High-Energy Physics data



From yesterday



Different analysis strategies

- Highly optimised analyses targeting specific properties / operators
 - “best possible” sensitivity
 - very model specific
- Fiducial and differential cross section measurements
 - minimise model dependence
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 - re-interpretable outside experiment
- Differential measurements in experimentally sensitive observables per production mode (STXS)
 - model dependence from production mode definition
 - easy combination of different Higgs decay channels → sensitivity to large number of EFT operators
 - re-interpretable outside experiment

← Note the **pros** and **cons**

- This list of what is needed looks a lot like the discussions in reinterpretation of BSM searches ↓

WHAT IS NEEDED

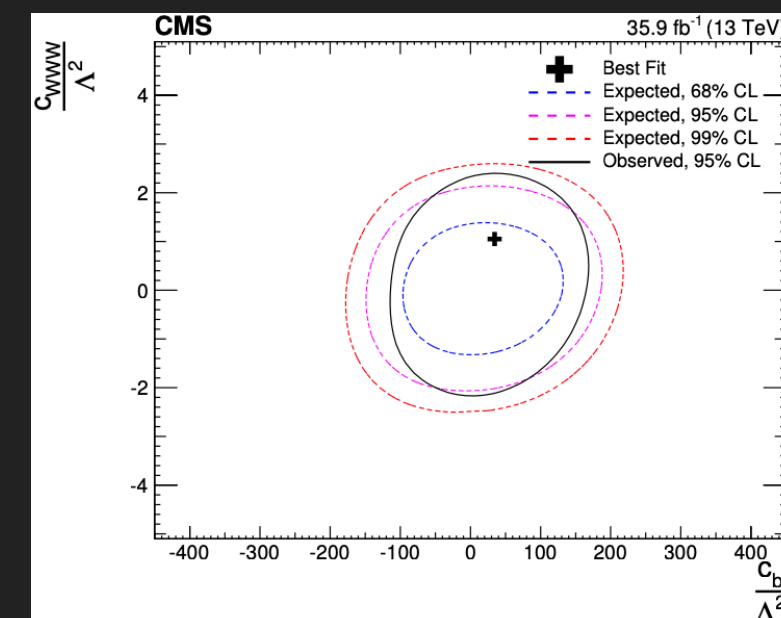
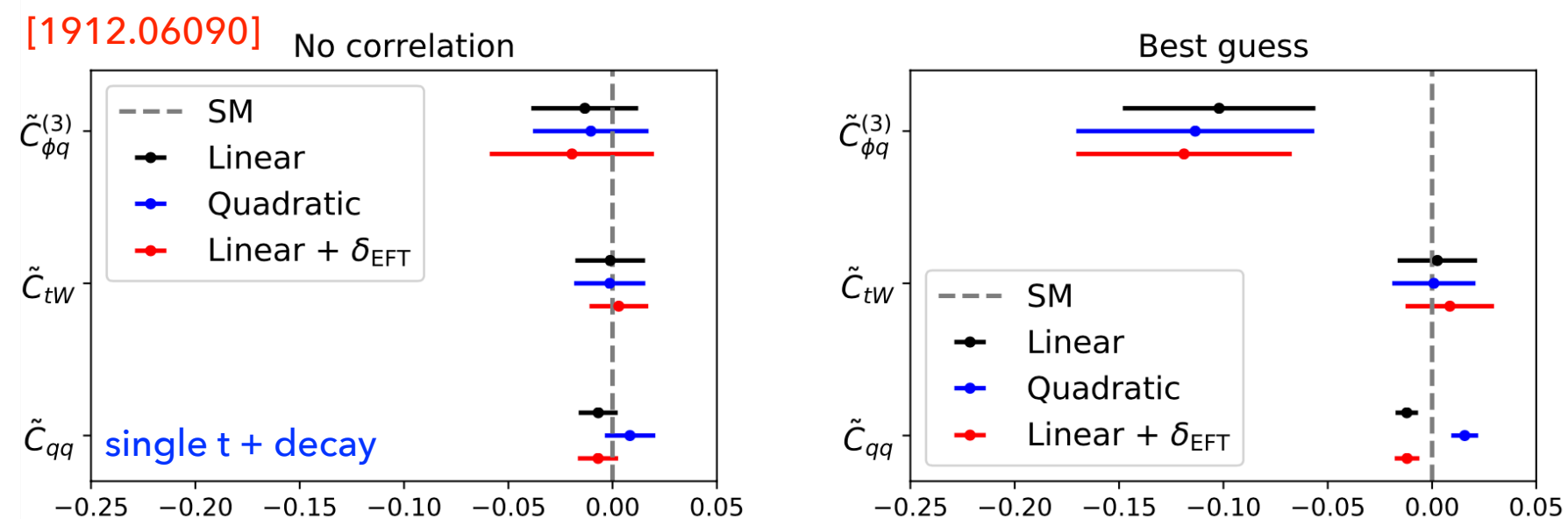
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- ▶ Information on experimental cut flows, efficiencies
- ▶ Information on backgrounds
- ▶ Information on results and corresponding correlations (becoming standard)
- ▶ Information on the likelihood
- ▶ Desirable to have results at particle level, and distributions (STXS or fiducial distr.)

- Makes me think of this ↓ from 2012

Searches for New Physics: Les Houches Recommendations for the Presentation of LHC Results

S. Kraml¹, B.C. Allanach², M. Mangano³, H.B. Prosper⁴, S. Sekmen^{3,4} (editors),
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For EFT measurements, I think combined fits based on the full likelihood models in the “folded” data space are the most principled approach

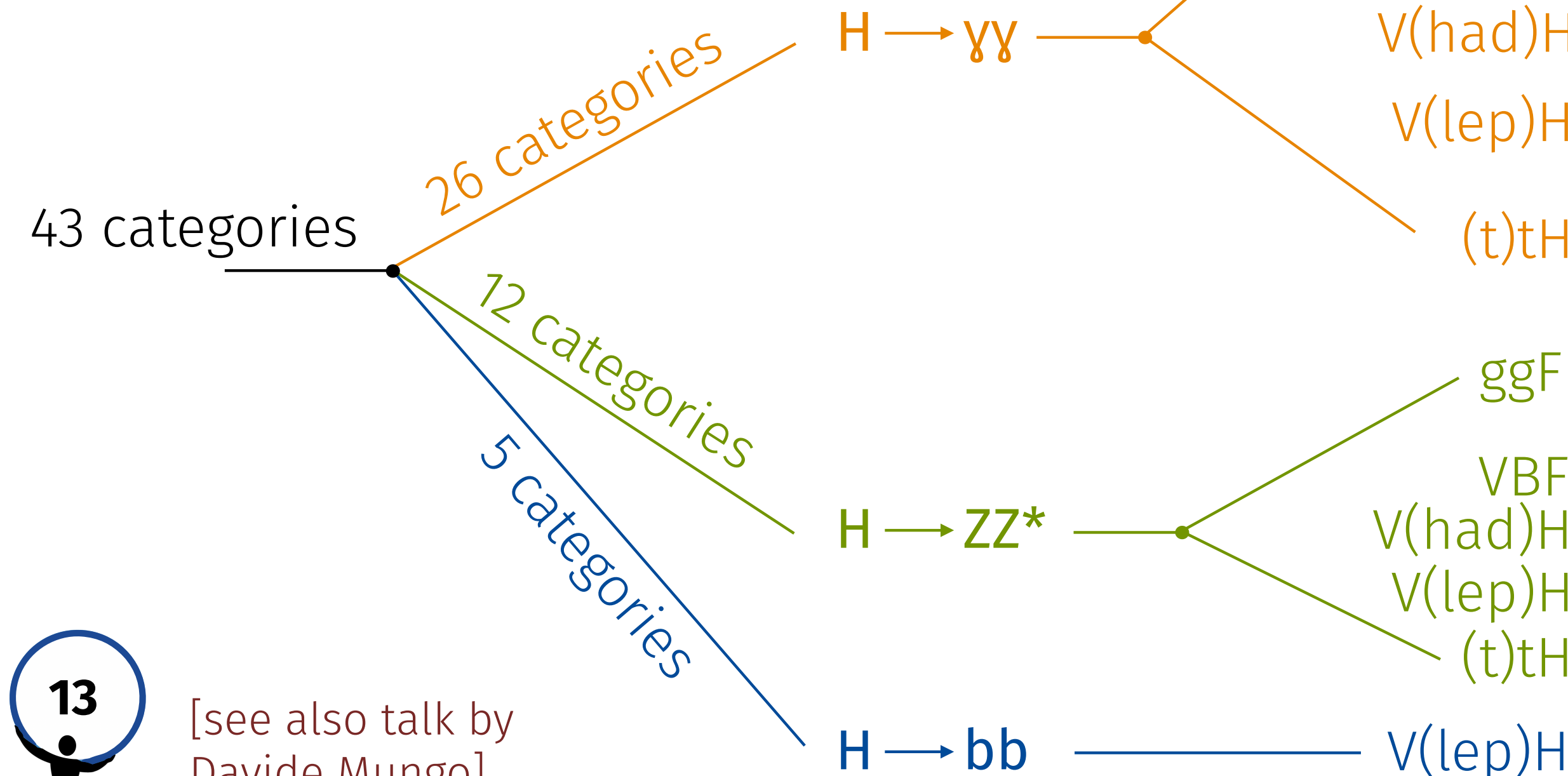
- Likelihood can be based on STXS or dedicated analysis
- This should be the gold standard for the flagship EFT results

Combined fits for EFTs

The STXS combination measurement

Aim: EFT interpretation of the 139 fb⁻¹ combination of H → ZZ* → 4ℓ, H → γγ and H → bb merged stage-1.2 STXS measurement

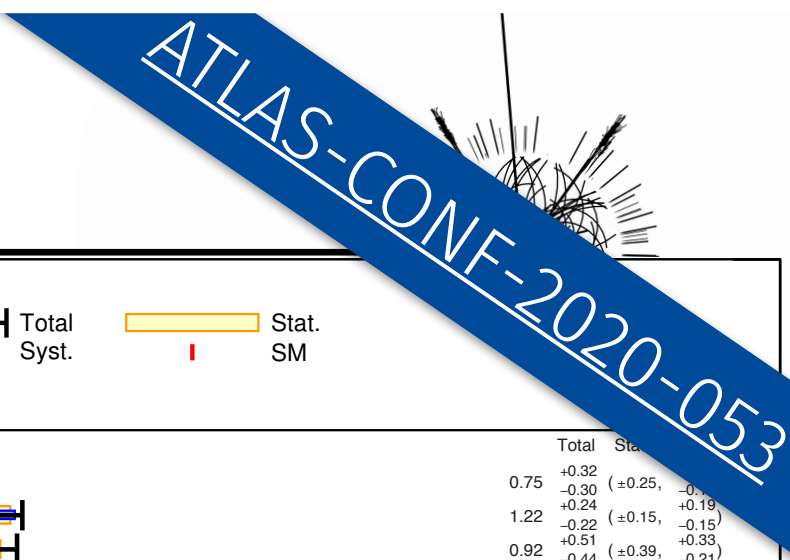
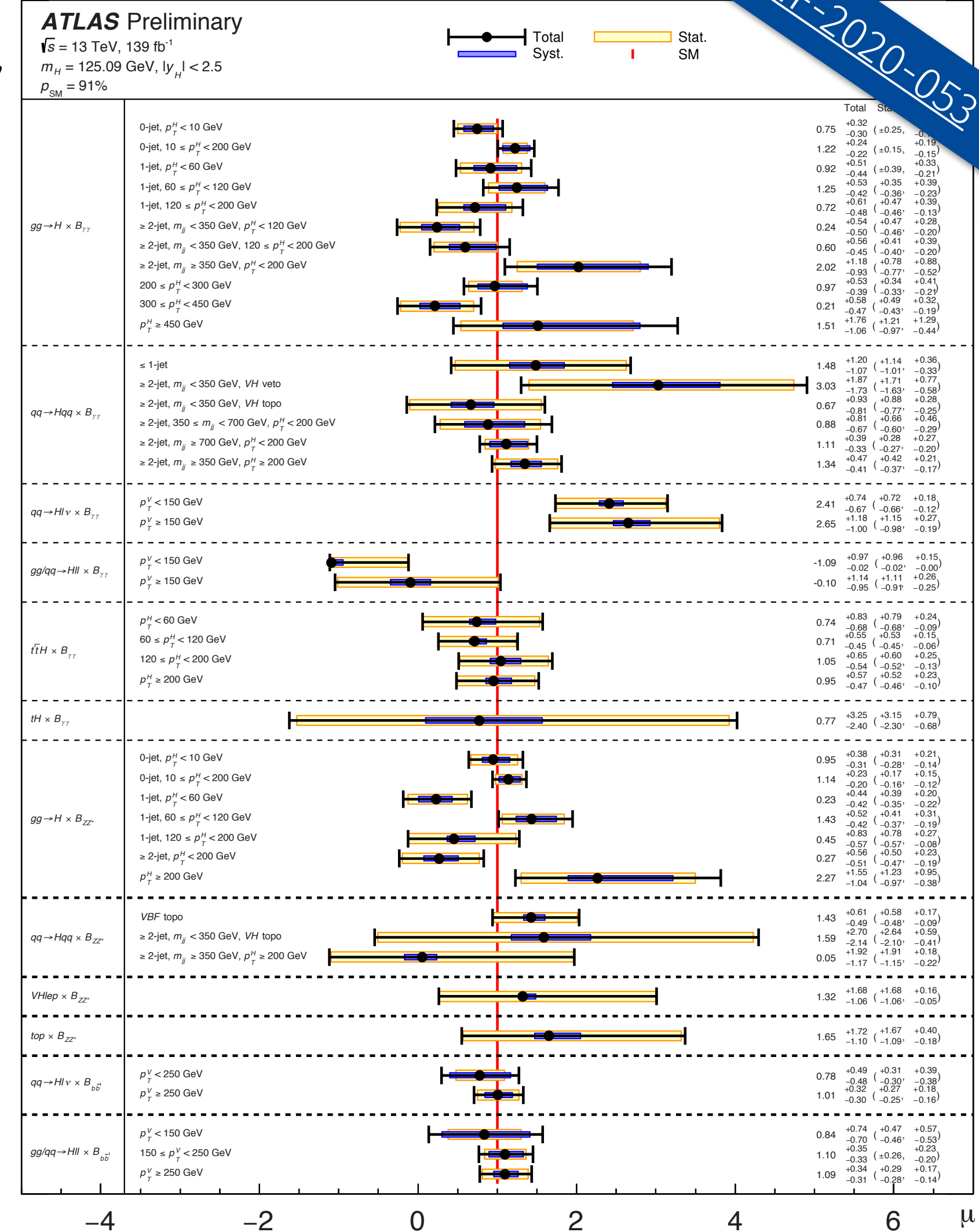
Mostly split into p_T^H categories (and n_{jet})



[see also talk by [Davide Mungo](#)]

Brian Moser

SMEFT Higgs Measurements with ATLAS



RECAST + STXS overcomes model dependence

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The model dependence in STXS mainly connected to how results are conveyed.

- The phase space regions are just phase space regions, they don't assume any model
- Paired with RECAST one could reinterpret any model using the STXS phase space regions

Likelihoods don't address reinterpretation
for signals with different final states or
kinematics (eg. Exotic Higgs)

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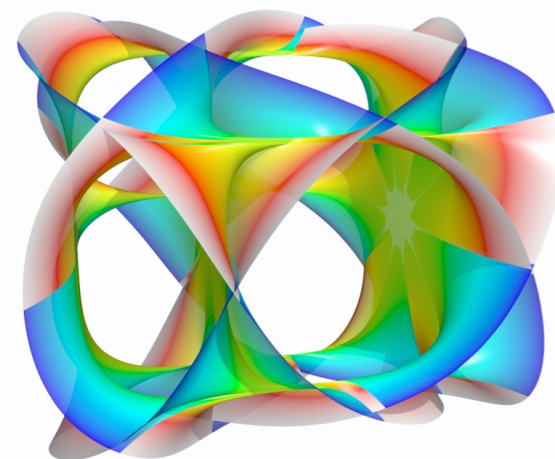
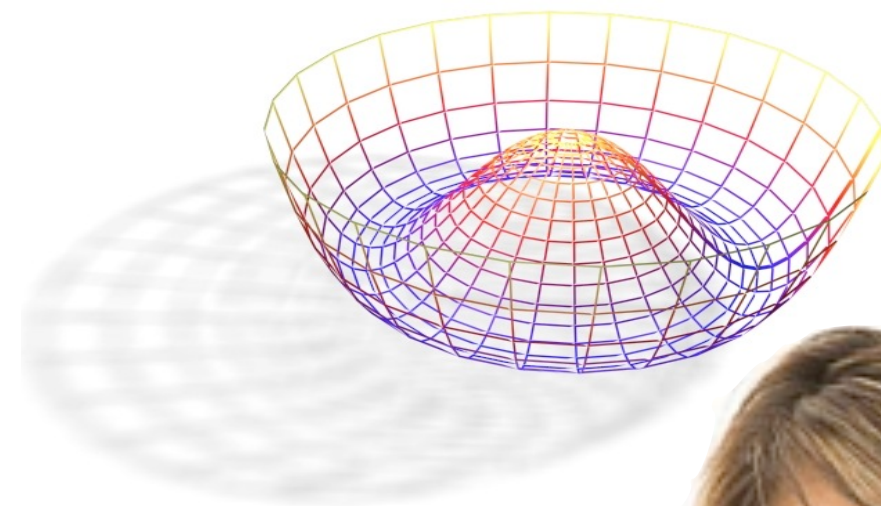


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The top part of the box contains a plot with a purple shaded area under a curve and a green shaded area above it. A purple callout box with the text "Model B rejected?" points to the green area. The bottom part of the box contains a photograph of two workers in a large, circular particle detector, likely the ATLAS detector at CERN.

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CERN Analysis Preservation

RECAST in action

ATLAS has started using RECAST to reinterpret SUSY and exotics searches



- Also relevant for exotic BSM Higgs scenarios



ATLAS PUB Note
ATL-PHYS-PUB-2019-032
11th August 2019


RECAST framework reinterpretation of an ATLAS Dark Matter Search constraining a model of a dark Higgs boson decaying to two b -quarks



The ATLAS Collaboration

The reinterpretation of a search for dark matter produced in association with a Higgs boson decaying to b -quarks performed with RECAST, a software framework designed to facilitate the reinterpretation of existing searches for new physics, is presented. Reinterpretation using RECAST is enabled through the sustainable preservation of the original data analysis as re-executable declarative workflows using modern cloud technologies and integrated with the wider CERN Analysis Preservation efforts. The reinterpretation targets a model predicting dark matter production in association with a hypothetical dark Higgs boson decaying into b -quarks where the mass of the dark Higgs boson m_χ is a free parameter, necessitating a faithful reinterpretation of the analysis. The dataset has an integrated luminosity of 79.8 fb^{-1} and was recorded with the ATLAS detector at the Large Hadron Collider at a centre-of-mass energy of $\sqrt{s} = 13 \text{ TeV}$. Constraints on the parameter space of the dark Higgs model for a fixed choice of dark matter mass $m_\chi = 200 \text{ GeV}$ exclude model configurations with a mediator mass up to 3.2 TeV .

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ATLAS PUB Note
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Reinterpretation of the ATLAS Search for Displaced Hadronic Jets with the RECAST Framework

The ATLAS Collaboration

A recent ATLAS search for displaced jets in the hadronic calorimeter is preserved in RECAST and thereafter used to constrain three new physics models not studied in the original work. A Stealth SUSY model and a Higgs-portal baryogenesis model, both predicting long-lived particles and therefore displaced decays, are probed for proper decay lengths between a few cm and 500 m. A dark sector model predicting Higgs and heavy boson decays to collimated hadrons via long-lived dark photons is also probed. The cross-section times branching ratio for the Higgs channel is constrained between a few millimetres and a few metres, while for a heavier 800 GeV boson the constraints extend from tenths of a millimetre to a few tens of metres. The original data analysis workflow was completely captured using virtualisation techniques, allowing for an accurate and efficient reinterpretation of the published result in terms of new signal models following the RECAST protocol.

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Shifting from reproducibility to reuse

Open is not enough

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The solutions adopted by the high-energy physics community to foster reproducible research are examples of best practices that could be embraced more widely. This first experience suggests that reproducibility requires going beyond openness.

- Reuse provides a forward-looking narrative, while reproducibility often perceived as backward-looking
- Reproducibility is a byproduct!
- Analysis Preservation distinct from reproducibility
 - Helps with onboarding
 - Empowers reuse, remixing, reproducibility
 - Improves efficiency & equity

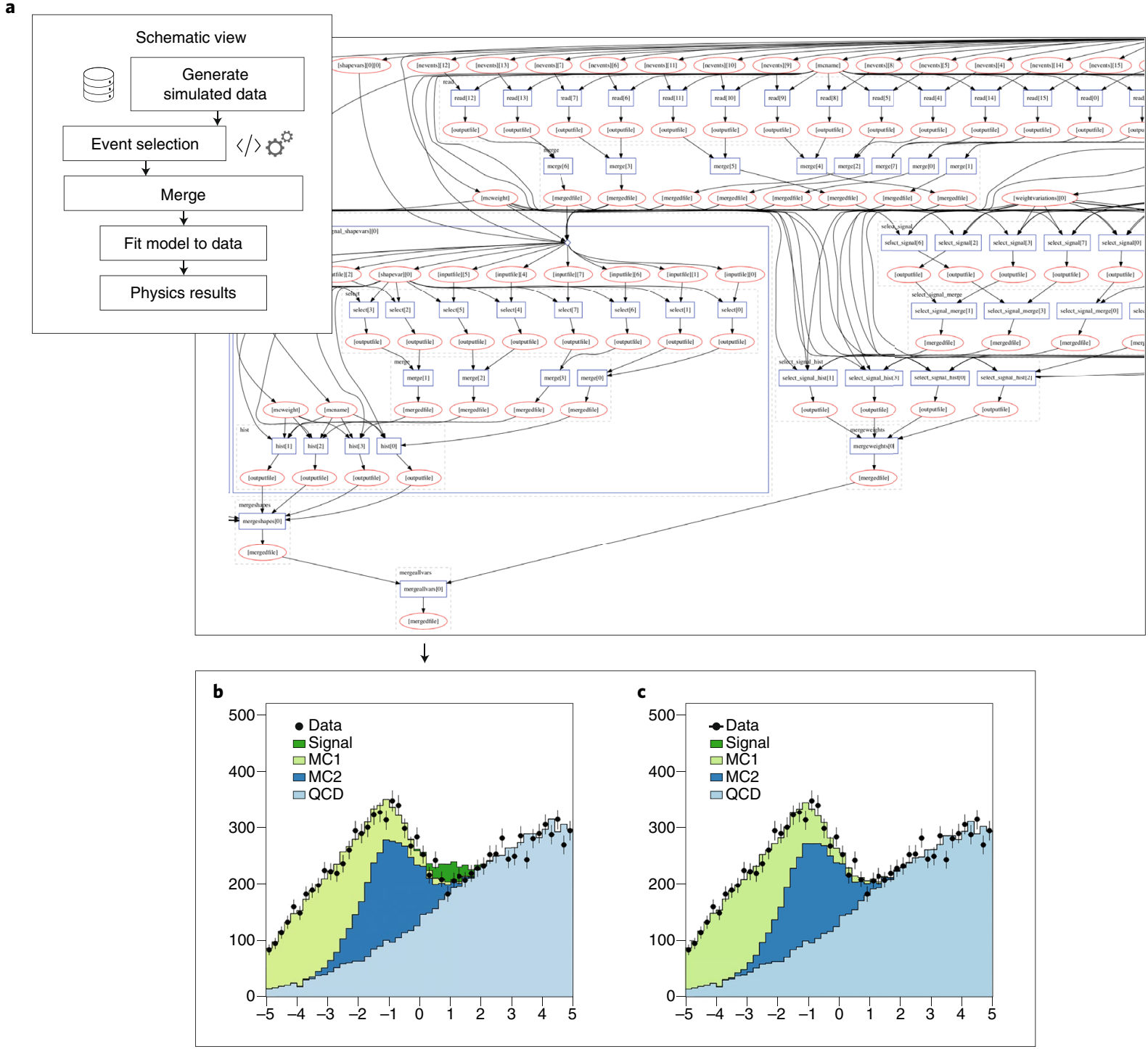


Fig. 2 | Example of a complex computational workflow on REANA mimicking a beyond the standard model (BSM) analysis. This figure shows an example where the experimental data is compared to the predictions of the standard model with an additional hypothesized signal component. The example permits one to study the complex computational workflows used in typical particle physics analyses. **a–c**, The computational workflow (**a**) may consist of several tens of thousands of computational steps that are massively parallelizable and run in a cascading ‘map-reduce’ style of computations on distributed compute clusters. The workflow definition is modelled using the Yadage workflow specification and produces an upper limit on the signal strength of the BSM process. A typical search for BSM physics consists of simulating a hypothetical signal process (**c**), as well as the background processes predicted by the standard model with properties consistent with the hypothetical signal (marked dark green in **b**). The background often consists of simulated background estimates (dark blue and light green histograms) and data-driven background estimates (light blue histogram). A statistical model involving both signal (dark green histogram) and background components is built and fit to the observed experimental data (black markers). **b**, Results of the model in its pre-fit configuration at nominal signal strength. We can see the excess of the signal over data, meaning that the nominal setting does not describe the data well. The post-fit distribution would scale down the signal in order to fit the data. This REANA example is publicly available at ref. ³⁵. For icon credits, see Fig. 1.

Training

Encouraging response by the community



Participants in [Analysis Preservation Bootcamp](#) showing off their ability to reproduce an LHC analysis. Photo Credit: Samuel Meehan



Instructors Danika MacDonnel and Giordon Stark working with participants. Photo Credit: Samuel Meehan.