

# ggF: experimental status

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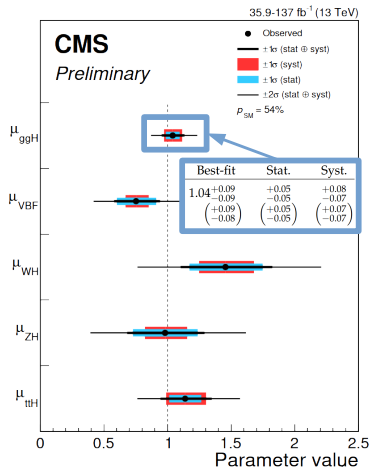
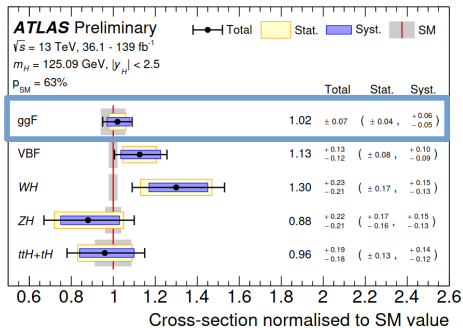
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# Introduction

- Summarise experimental landscape for ggF measurements
  - ▶ recent full Run 2 ggF results from ATLAS + CMS collaborations  
⇒ not everything, just a select few
  - ▶ highlight where theory input will be useful
  - ▶ aims for Run 3
- Wealth of data collected during Run 2 enabled many interesting analyses
  - ▶ measure kinematics of ggF production mode: differential/STXS
  - ▶ rare phase space regions e.g. boosted ggF( $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$ )
  - ▶ using ggF to probe Higgs properties e.g. CP
- Related ggF talks during this workshop:
  - ▶ [\[theory update\]](#) from Stephen
  - ▶ [\[STXS uncertainty scheme\]](#) from Haider

# Inclusive ggF measurements

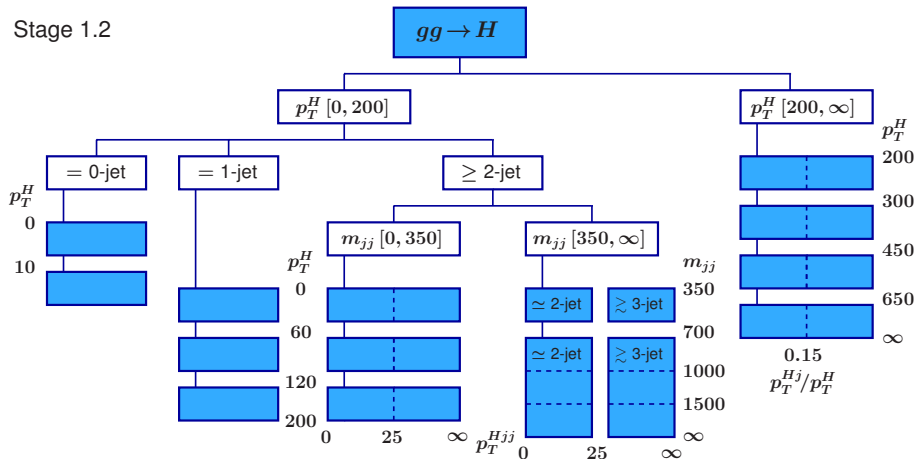
- Highest precision achieved by combining decay channels
  - ▶ [\[ATLAS-CONF-2021-053\]](#): cross-section
  - ▶ [\[CMS-PAS-HIG-19-005\]](#): signal-strength (theory uncertainties folded-in)
  - ▶ syst-limited measurements  $\Rightarrow$  requires analysis/theory improvements



# Simplified template cross sections

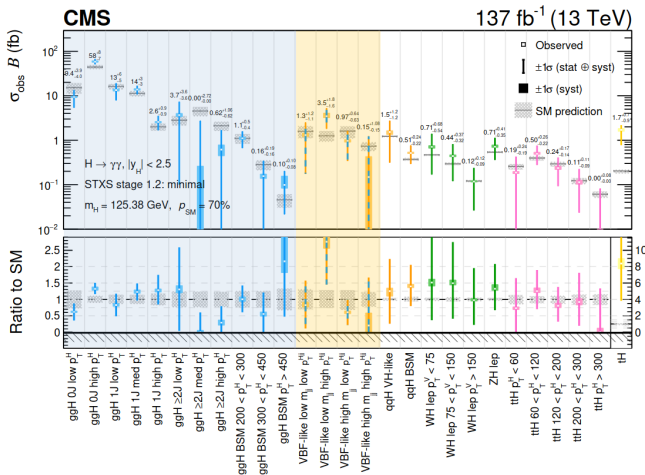
- Divide inclusive phase space into simplified fiducial volumes (bins)
  - ▶ splittings to minimize theory dependence + isolate BSM-sensitive regions
  - ▶ no fiducial selection on decay products  $\Rightarrow$  useful for combination

Stage 1.2



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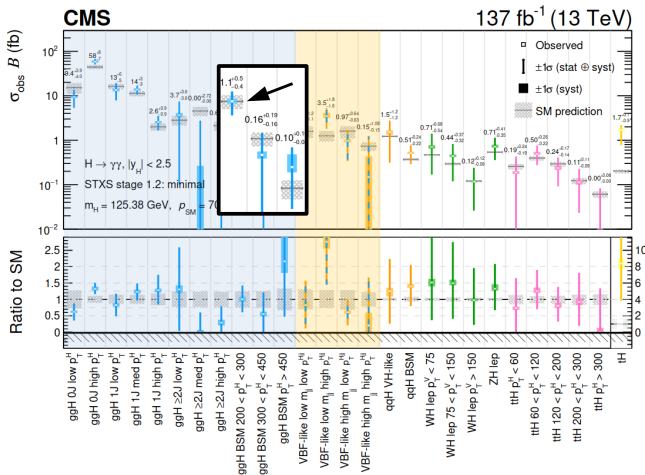
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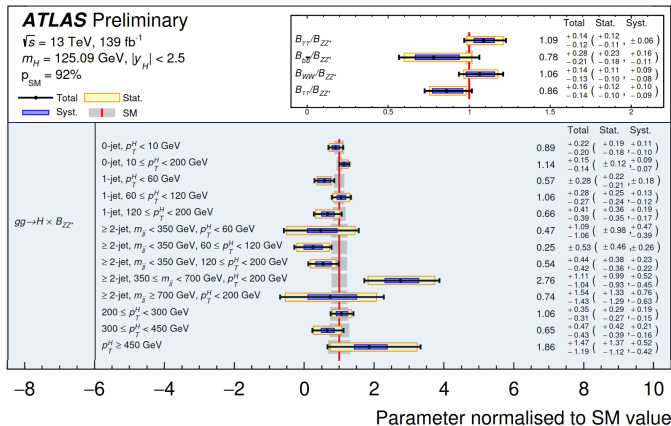
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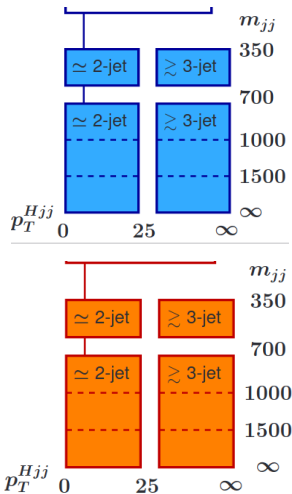
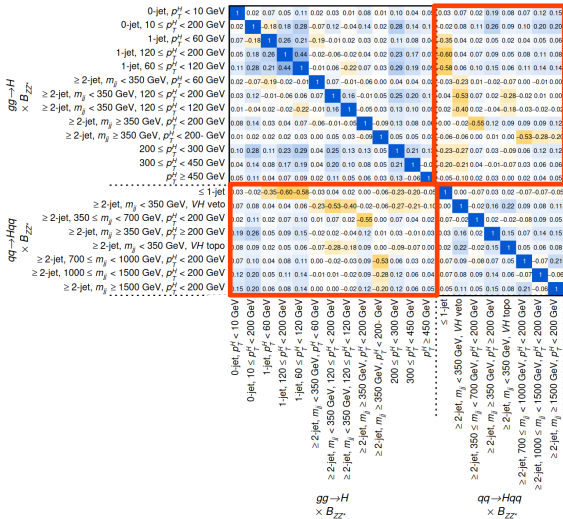
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- ▶ [\[ATLAS-CONF-2021-053\]](#): ATLAS STXS combination ( $\gamma\gamma$ ,  $4\ell$ ,  $WW$ ,  $\tau\tau$ ,  $bb$ )
- ▶ excellent precision in rare phase space (e.g.  $N_{\text{jet}} \geq 2$ ). Again SM holds true!
- ▶ Run 2 summary: building up an accurate, granular description of ggF production

# STXS correlations

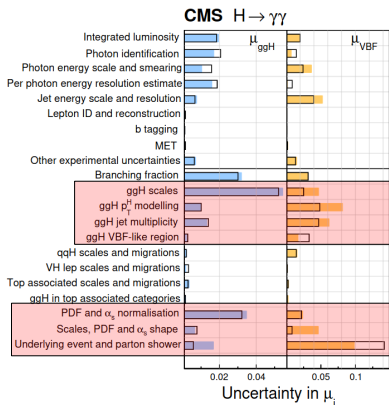
- [\[ATLAS-CONF-2021-053\]](#): in general, correlations between ggF bins are small
  - ▶ larger correlations with some qqH (=VBF+VH had) bins
  - ▶ difficult to disentangle production modes with similar event topologies





# High-ranking systematics

- Theoretical uncertainties dominate ggF signal-strength measurement
  - missing higher-order QCD terms
  - modelling of ggF kinematics in VBF phase space important for  $\mu_{\text{VBF}}$
- Parton shower now dominant th. unc in ggF cross-section measurement
  - worth investing time + effort in consistent scheme (and reducing!) PS uncertainties

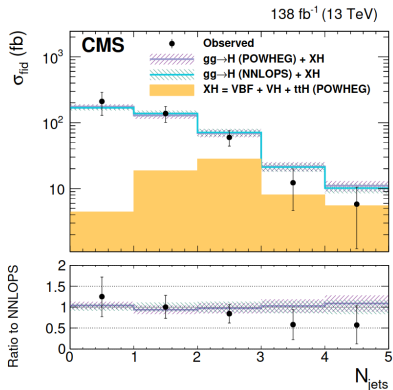
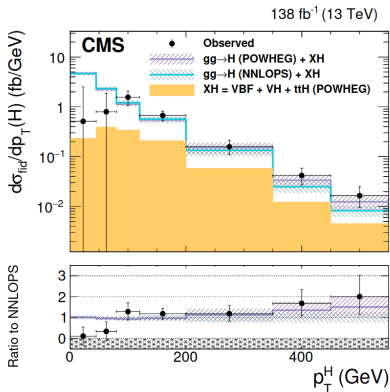


## ATLAS $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$

Uncertainty source	ggF+ <i>bbH</i> $\Delta\sigma$ (%)	VBF $\Delta\sigma$ (%)
Underlying Event and Parton Shower (UEPS)	$\pm 2.3$	$\pm 10$
Modeling of Heavy Flavor Jets in non- <i>ttH</i> Processes	$< \pm 1$	$< \pm 1$
Higher-Order QCD Terms (QCD)	$\pm 1.6$	$< \pm 1$
Parton Distribution Function and $\alpha_S$ Scale (PDF+ $\alpha_S$ )	$< \pm 1$	$\pm 1.1$
Photon Energy Resolution (PER)	$\pm 2.9$	$\pm 2.4$
Photon Energy Scale (PES)	$< \pm 1$	$< \pm 1$
Jet/ $E_T^{\text{miss}}$	$\pm 1.6$	$\pm 5.5$
Photon Efficiency	$\pm 2.5$	$\pm 2.3$
Background Modeling	$\pm 4.1$	$\pm 4.7$
Flavor Tagging	$< \pm 1$	$< \pm 1$
Leptons	$< \pm 1$	$< \pm 1$
Pileup	$\pm 1.8$	$\pm 2.7$
Luminosity and Trigger	$\pm 2.1$	$\pm 2.1$
Higgs Boson Mass	$< \pm 1$	$< \pm 1$

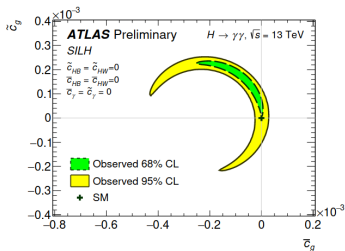
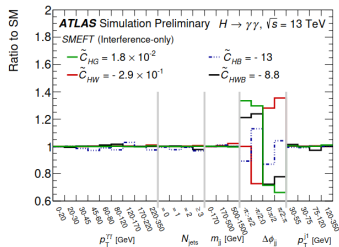
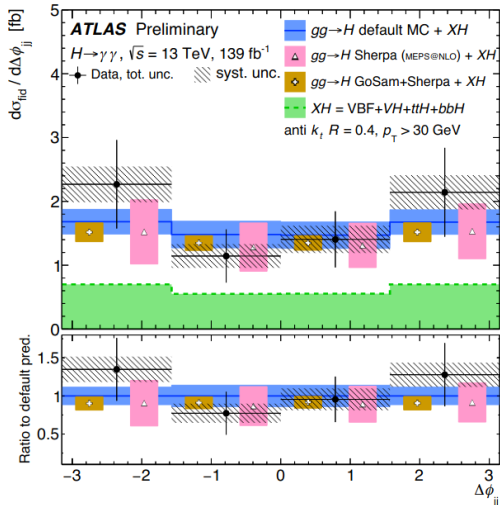
# Differential cross-sections

- Fiducial selection on Higgs decay products to match experimental acceptance
  - ▶ more model-independent than STXS
  - ▶ use distribution to probe new physics, CP structure, precision SM calculations, ...
- [\[Submitted to Phys. Rev. Lett.\]](#): CMS first differential measurement in  $\tau\tau$  decay
  - ▶ sensitivity particularly good in high  $p_T^H$ /high  $N_{\text{jets}}$  regions



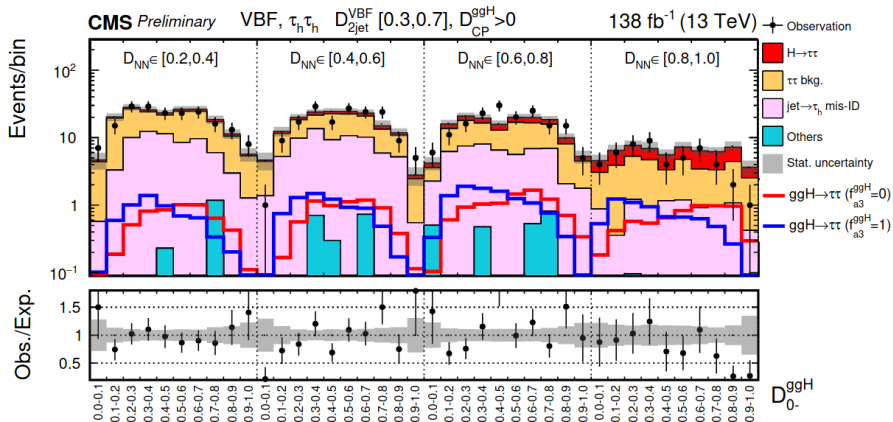
# Differential cross-sections

- Also target variables sensitive to Higgs CP e.g.  $\Delta\phi_{jj}$ 
  - [ATLAS-CONF-2019-029]: ATLAS  $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$  differential analysis
  - interpret as constraints on CP-nature of effective Hgg vertex



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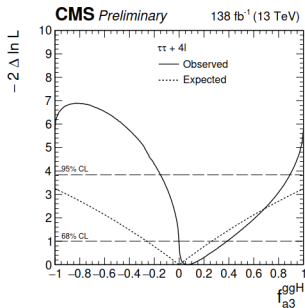
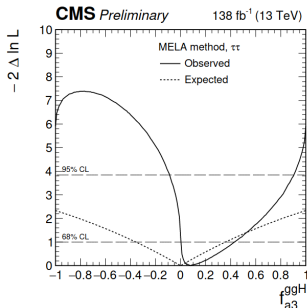
- Can also probe CP-structure of Hgg directly e.g. [\[CMS-PAS-HIG-20-007\]](#) ( $\tau\tau$ )
  - ▶ isolate VBF-like ggF+2j events  $\Rightarrow$  sensitive to CP
  - ▶ MELA:  $\mathcal{D}_{0-}^{\text{ggF}}$ : CP-odd vs CP-even ggF,  $\mathcal{D}_{\text{CP}}^{\text{ggF}}$ : CP-odd/CP-even interference,  $\mathcal{D}_{2\text{jet}}^{\text{VBF}}$ : ggF-vs-VBF
  - ▶ + neural network ( $\mathcal{D}_{\text{NN}}$ ) separate VBF-like H signal from bkg
  - ▶ 4D binned template fit



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$$f_{a3}^{ggF} = \frac{|a_3^{gg}|^2}{|a_2^{gg}|^2 + |a_3^{gg}|^2} \text{sgn}\left(\frac{a_3^{gg}}{a_2^{gg}}\right)$$

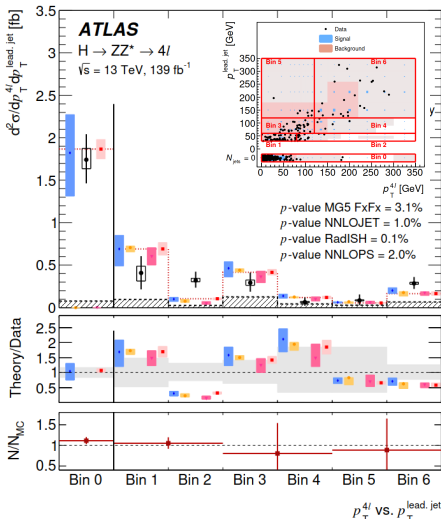
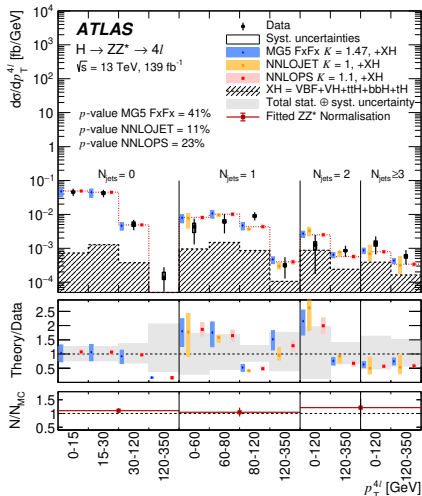
- ▶ fractional CP-odd contribution to total cross-section
- Combine with AC measurements in  $H \rightarrow 4\ell$  [[Phys. Rev. D 104 052004 \(2021\)](#)]



- Analysis selects events in tails of  $p_T^H$ : sensitive to quark mass effects
  - ▶ would benefit from NLO H+2jet samples with heavy quark mass effects (CP-odd)
  - ▶ [[JHEP 08 \(2016\) 006](#)], [[arXiv:2110.06953](#)]

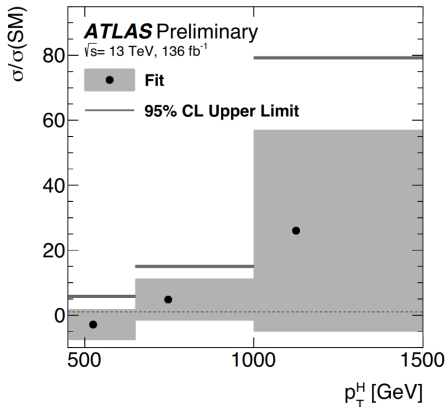
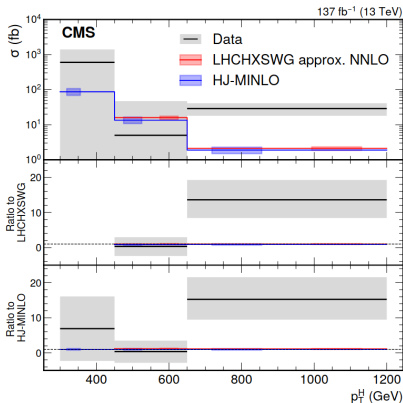
# Double-differential cross sections

- Sufficient statistics to measure  $d\sigma$  in two variables
- ▶ [\[Eur. Phys. J. C 80 \(2020\) 942\]](#): ATLAS  $H \rightarrow 4\ell$  differential analysis
- ▶ probe effects of **QCD resummation!**



# Boosted ggF

- High  $p_T^H$  regime sensitive to possible new particles in ggF loop
  - ▶ utilise boosted  $H \rightarrow bb$  to reach high  $p_T^H$ , tag fat jet consistent with two b quarks
  - ▶ CMS: [[JHEP 12 \(2020\) 085](#)], ATLAS: [[ATLAS-CONF-2021-010](#)]



- Compared with (recent) state of the art **theoretical calculations**: [[arXiv:2005.07762](#)]
- CMS observe local significance of  $2.6\sigma$  in  $p_T^H > 650$  GeV bin

## Experimental plans/wishlist for Run 3

- Will perform ggF cross section measurements at 13.6 TeV
  - ▶ require updated theoretical predictions at new c.o.m energy
  - ▶ + can include recent advances:
    - ⇒ exact mixed QCD/EW corrections
    - ⇒ correct top-quark mass effects at NNLO
    - ⇒ newer PDFs
    - ⇒ N<sup>3</sup>LO not based on threshold expansion
- STXS/differential measurements
  - ▶ targeting increasingly-difficult-to-model regions of phase space e.g. H+2jet
  - ▶ require state-of-the-art tools for simulation e.g. [\[MINNLO<sub>PS</sub>\]](#)
  - ▶ STXS uncertainty scheme (see [talk](#) by Haider)
- Improved PS modelling: now dominant theory unc. for ggF cross-sections
  - ▶ e.g. account for heavy quark masses in PS
  - ▶ also require consistent treatment of PS systematics