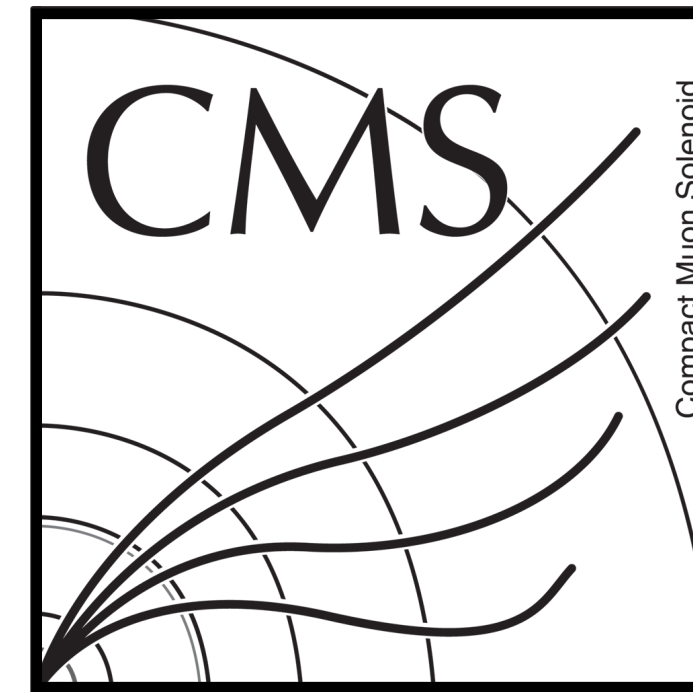
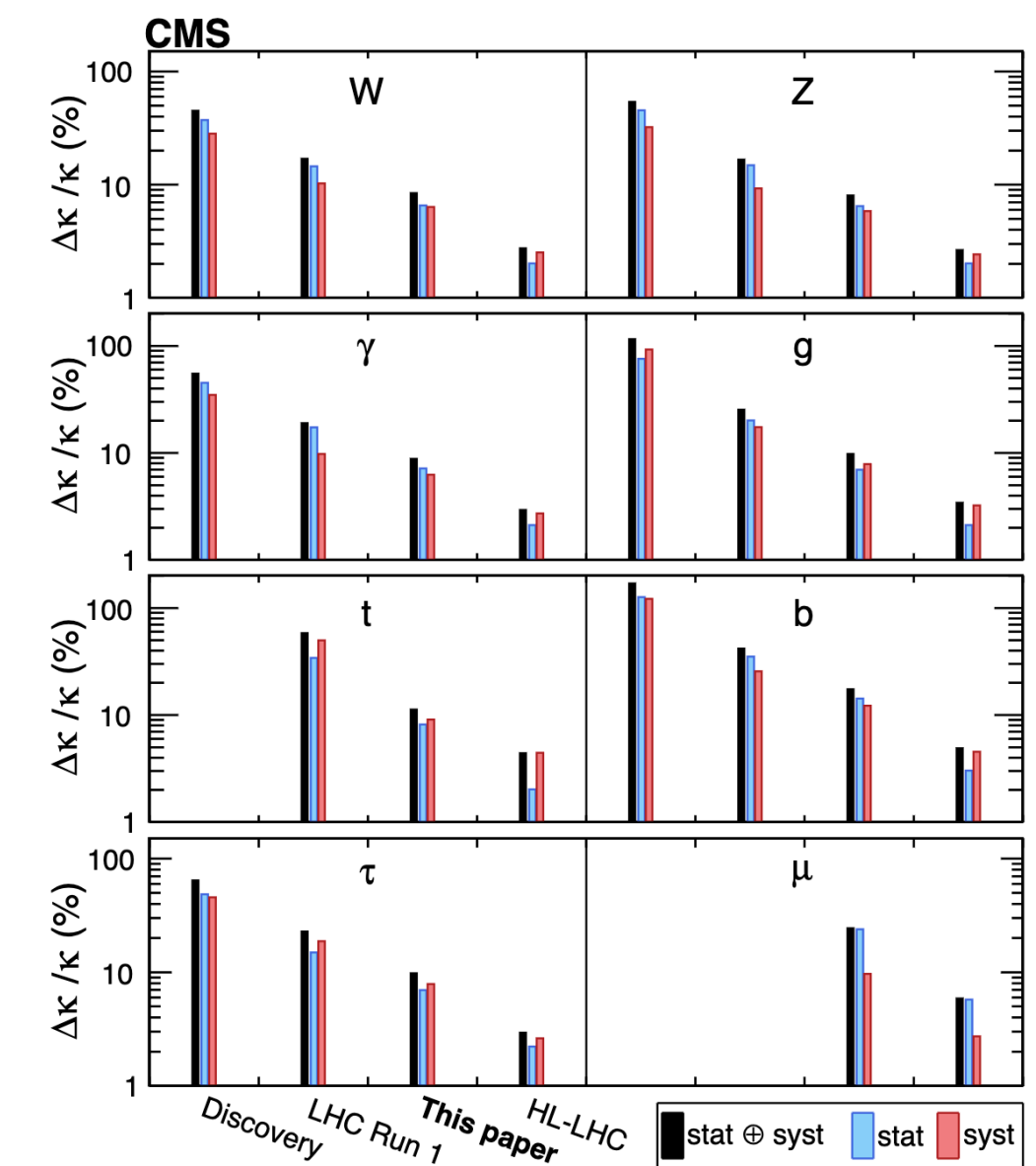
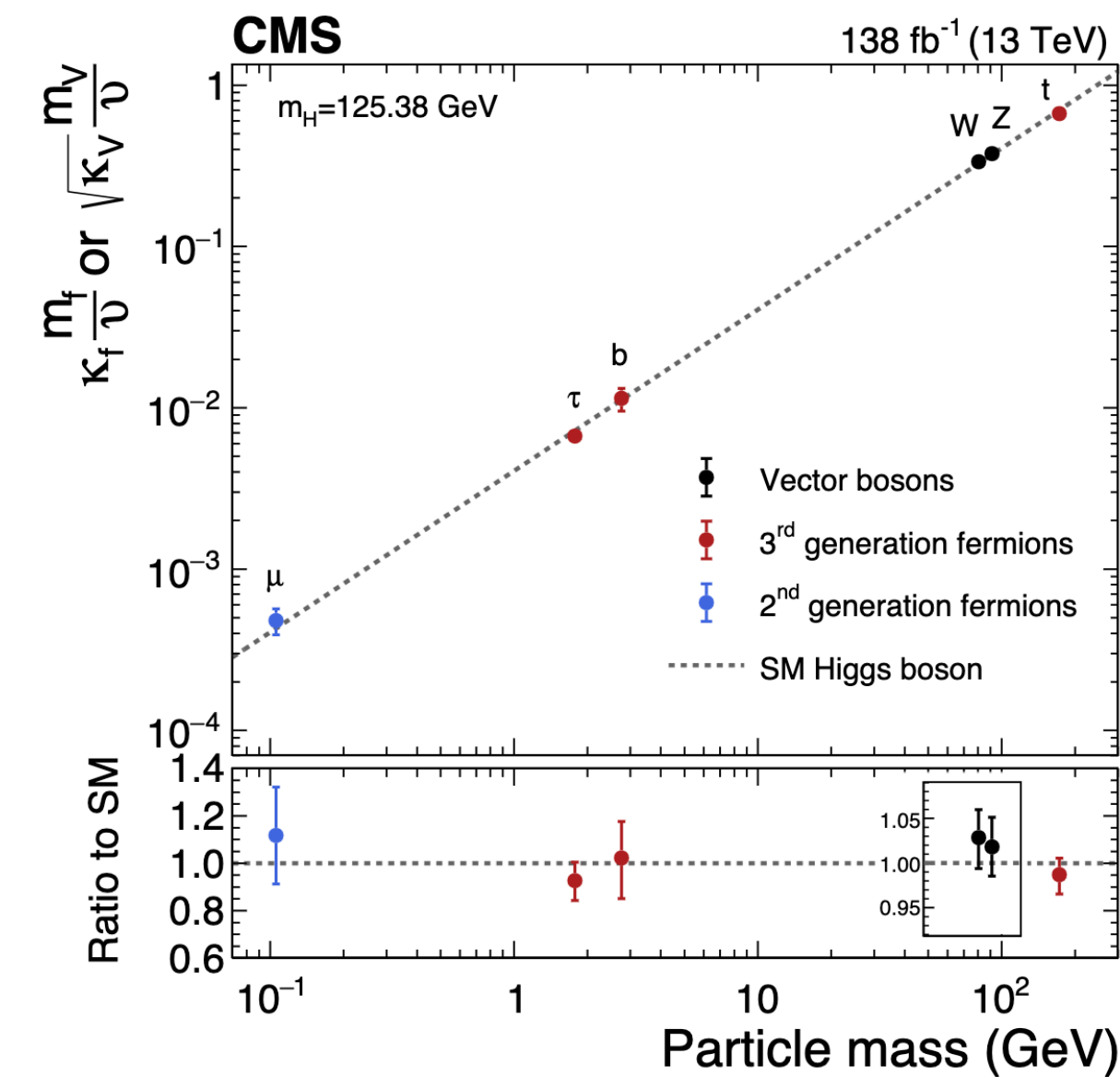
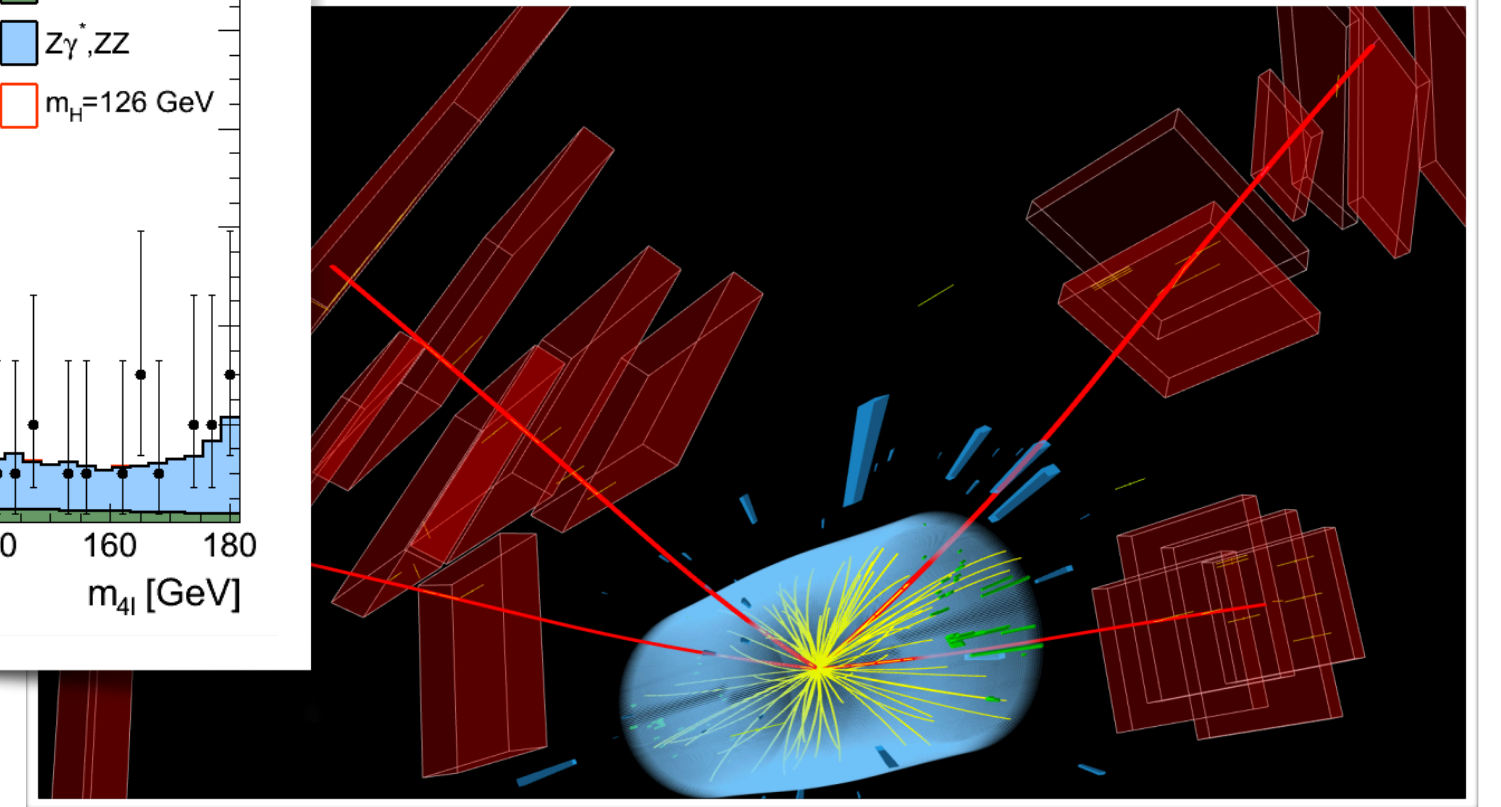
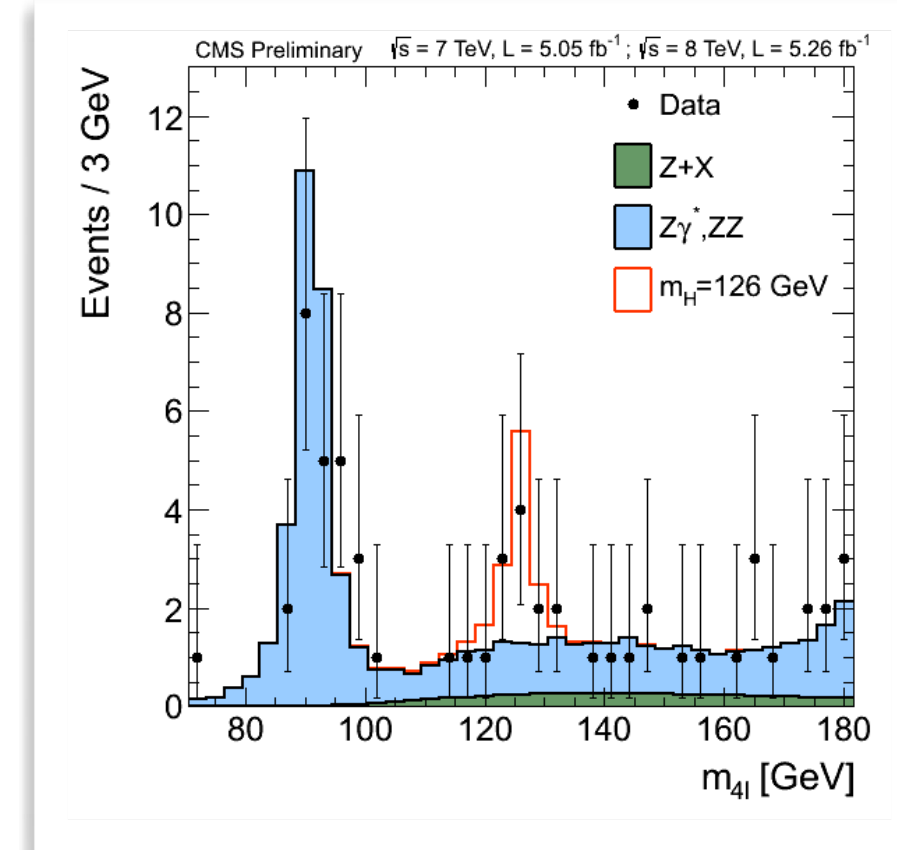


Searches for Higgs bosons beyond the Standard Model



Higgs, as a gateway to BSM

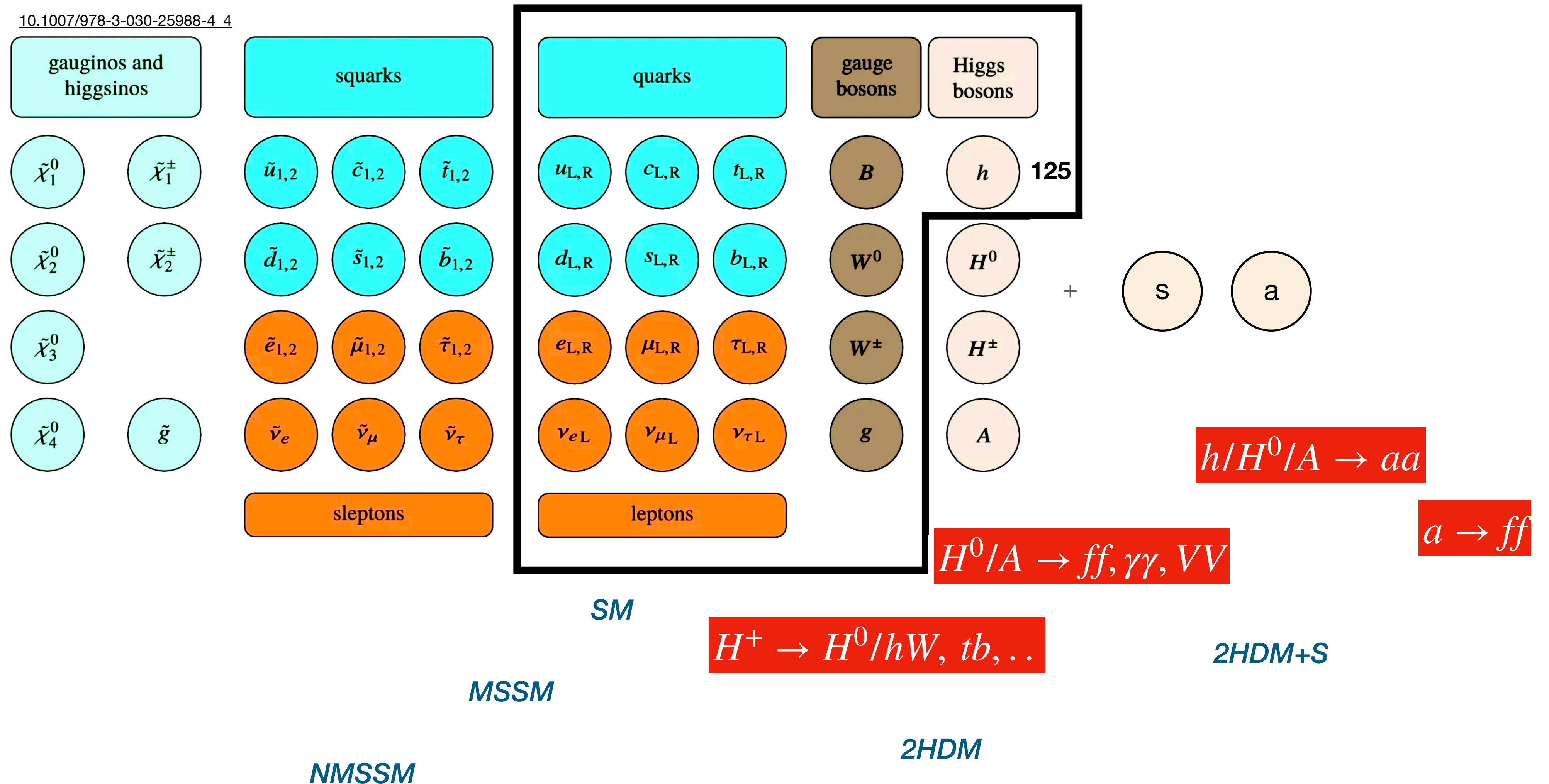
- In a decade, the journey of the SM Higgs boson:
 - signal
 - background (e.g Rare SM measurements, eg. VVV)
 - **discovery tool**
- H serves as a “**standard candle**” in BSM analyses
 - known mass, known decays
 - ex/ $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$ tagging
- Particles in an **extended scalar sector**
 - (with hidden dynamics) could **mix** with the SM Higgs
 - **Higgs-like decays of the new exotic particles**
- **Higgs has sufficient freedom** for exotic couplings
 - $BR(H \rightarrow \text{non-SM})$ could be up to $\mathcal{O}(10)\%$
 - Can act as **portal to hidden sectors**



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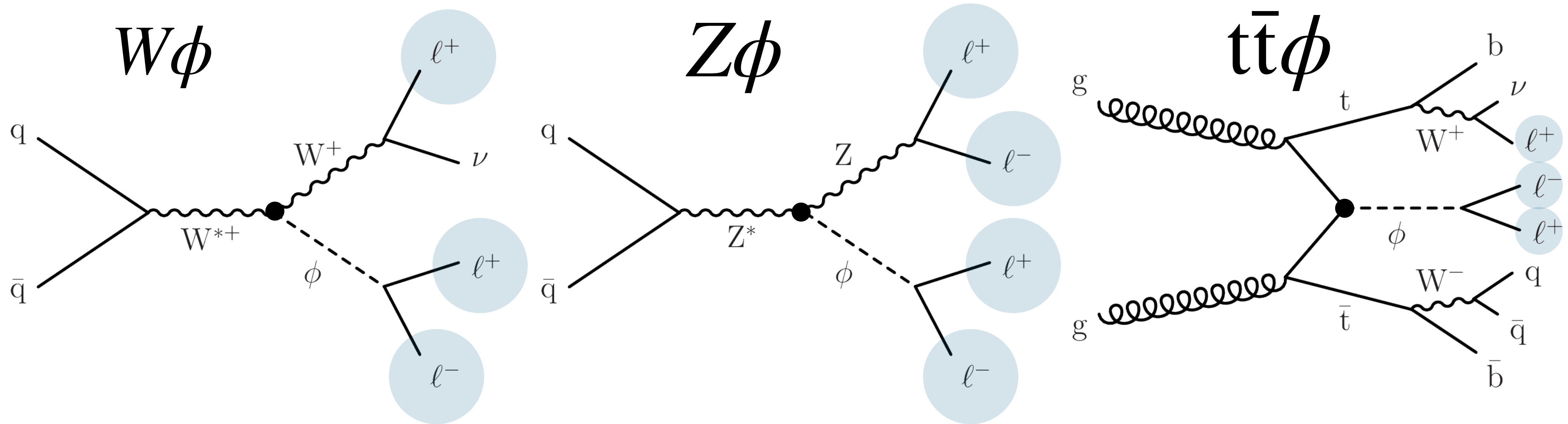
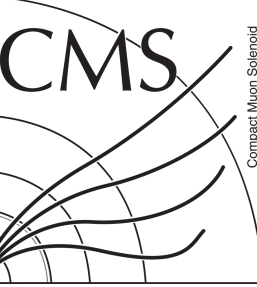
The extended scalar sector (aka the many ways to add spin-0 states)

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Search for $X\phi \rightarrow \ell\ell$

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- Search for a new spin-0 particle in **associated production with a W/Z boson or a tt pair**
 - signal width is assumed to be smaller than detector resolution
 - **target mass range: 15-350 GeV**
- **Model independent** analysis:
 - all lepton **flavor** pairs ($e\bar{e}, \mu\bar{\mu}, \tau\bar{\tau}$)
 - all possible **coupling** types (scalar, pseudoscalar, Higgs-like production/decay) \rightarrow **24 different scenarios**

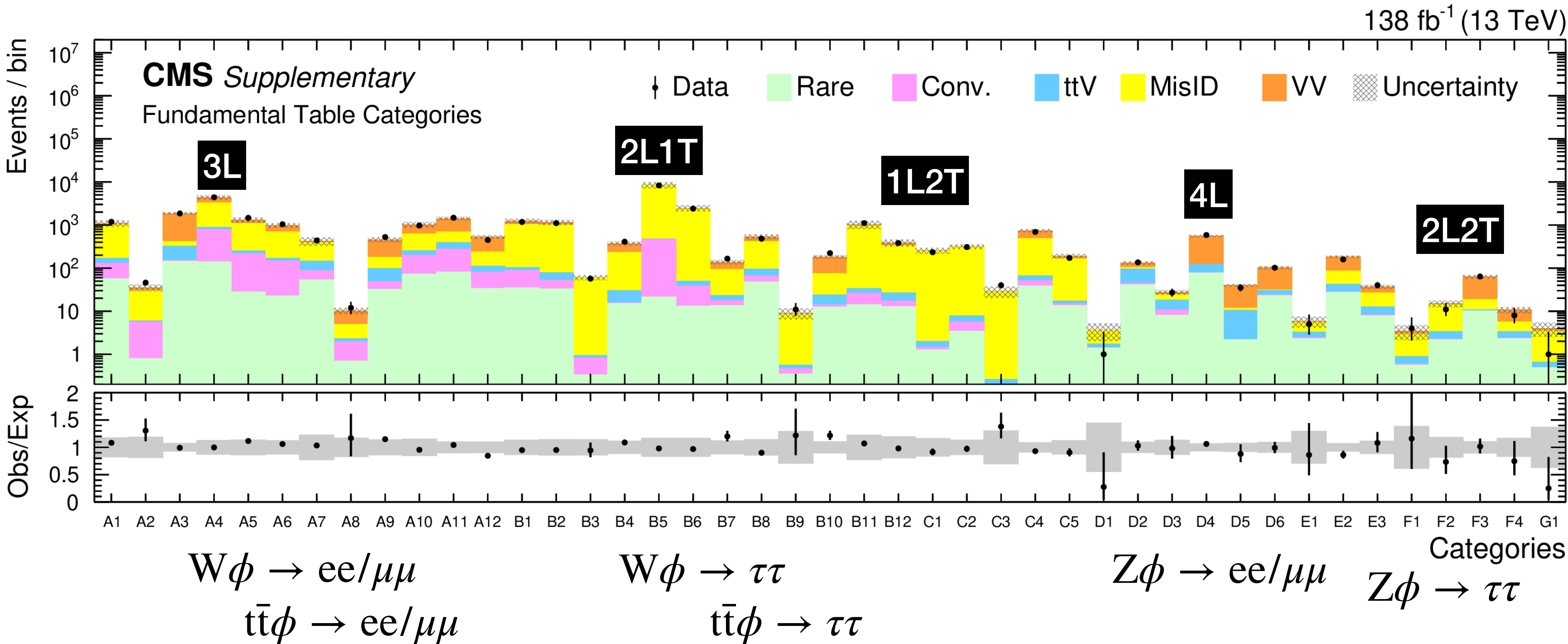
$$\frac{1}{\Lambda_S} \phi_S F^{a\mu\nu} F_{\mu\nu}^a + \frac{1}{\Lambda_{PS}} \phi_{PS} F^{a\mu\nu} \tilde{F}_{\mu\nu}^a - \frac{g_{\psi S}}{\sqrt{2}} \phi_S \bar{\psi}\psi - \frac{g_{\psi PS}}{\sqrt{2}} \phi_{PS} \bar{\psi}i\gamma_5\psi - 2 \sin\theta \frac{\phi_H}{v} \left(m_W^2 W^{+\mu} W_{\mu}^- + \frac{1}{2} m_Z^2 Z^{\mu} Z_{\mu} \right)$$

Search for $X\phi \rightarrow \ell\ell$

- Builds on an **inclusive multilepton analysis** with many categories
 - 3 and 4 lepton** final states (e, μ, τ) are used
 - dilepton resonance** in multilepton events
 - first of its type “bump-hunt” at the LHC!
- A variety of SM backgrounds: $WZ, ZZ, ttZ, ttW, Z\gamma, VV, \dots$
 - data driven estimation of backgrounds with $j \rightarrow e/\mu/\tau$

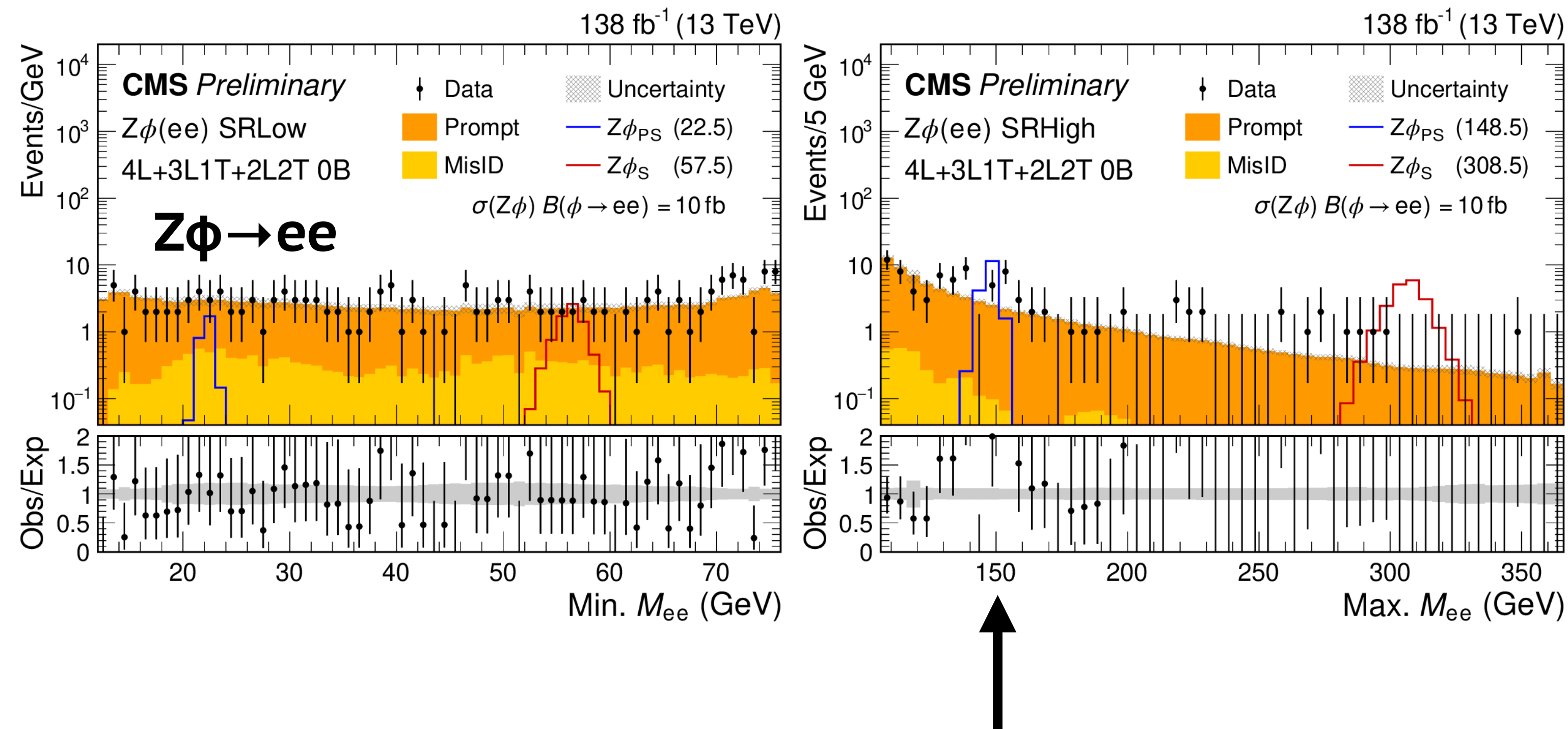
Charge/mass/flavor/...

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		BelowZ	AboveZ	SS	OnZ	BelowZ	AboveZ	MixedZ	Single-OnZ	Double-OnZ	OffZ
3L	Low p_T/M_T	A1	A1	A2	A3	A4	A5	A6	—	—	—
	High p_T/M_T	A7	A7	A8	A9	A10	A11	A12	—	—	—
2L1T	Low p_T	B1	B2	B3	B4	B5	B6	—	—	—	—
	High p_T	B7	B8	B9	B10	B11	B12	—	—	—	—
1L2T		C1	C2	C3	—	C4	C5	—	—	—	—
4L		D1	D1	D1	D2	D3	D3	D3	D4	D5	D6
3L1T		E1	E1	E1	E2	E3	E3	E3	—	—	—
2L2T		F1	F1	F1	F2	F2	F2	—	F3	—	F4
1L3T		G1	G1	G1	—	G1	G1	—	—	—	—

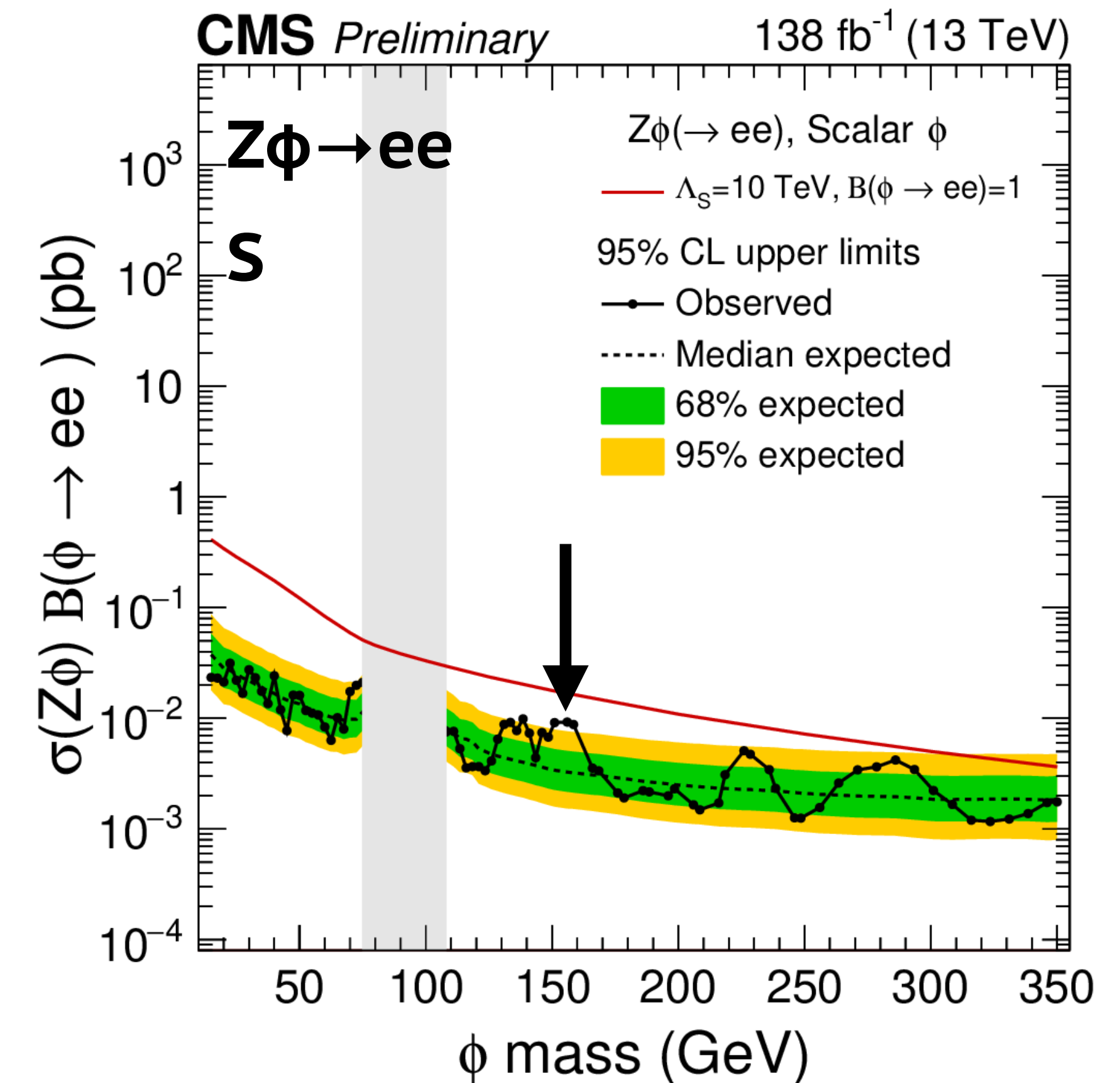


Search for $Z\phi \rightarrow \ell\ell$

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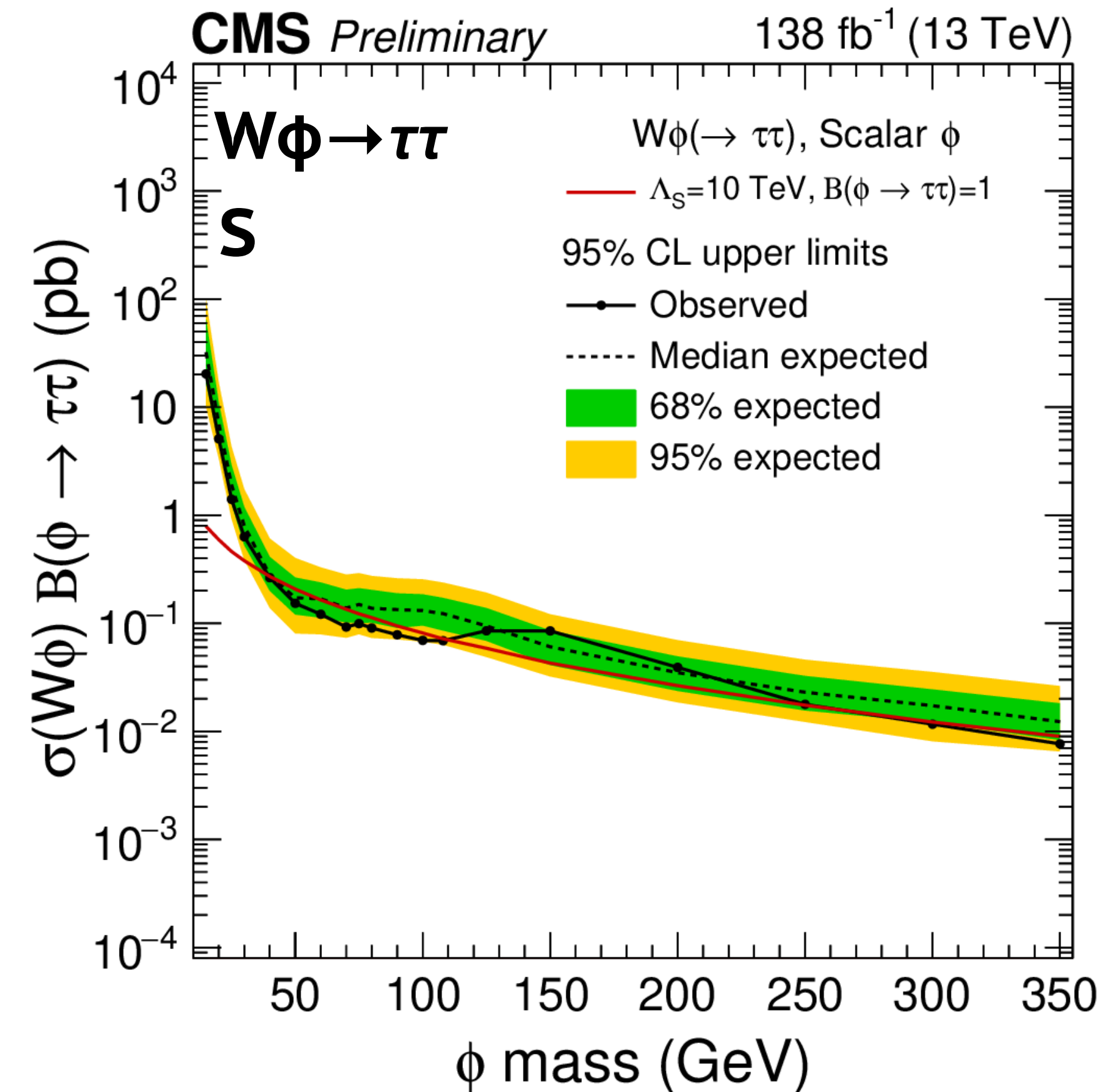
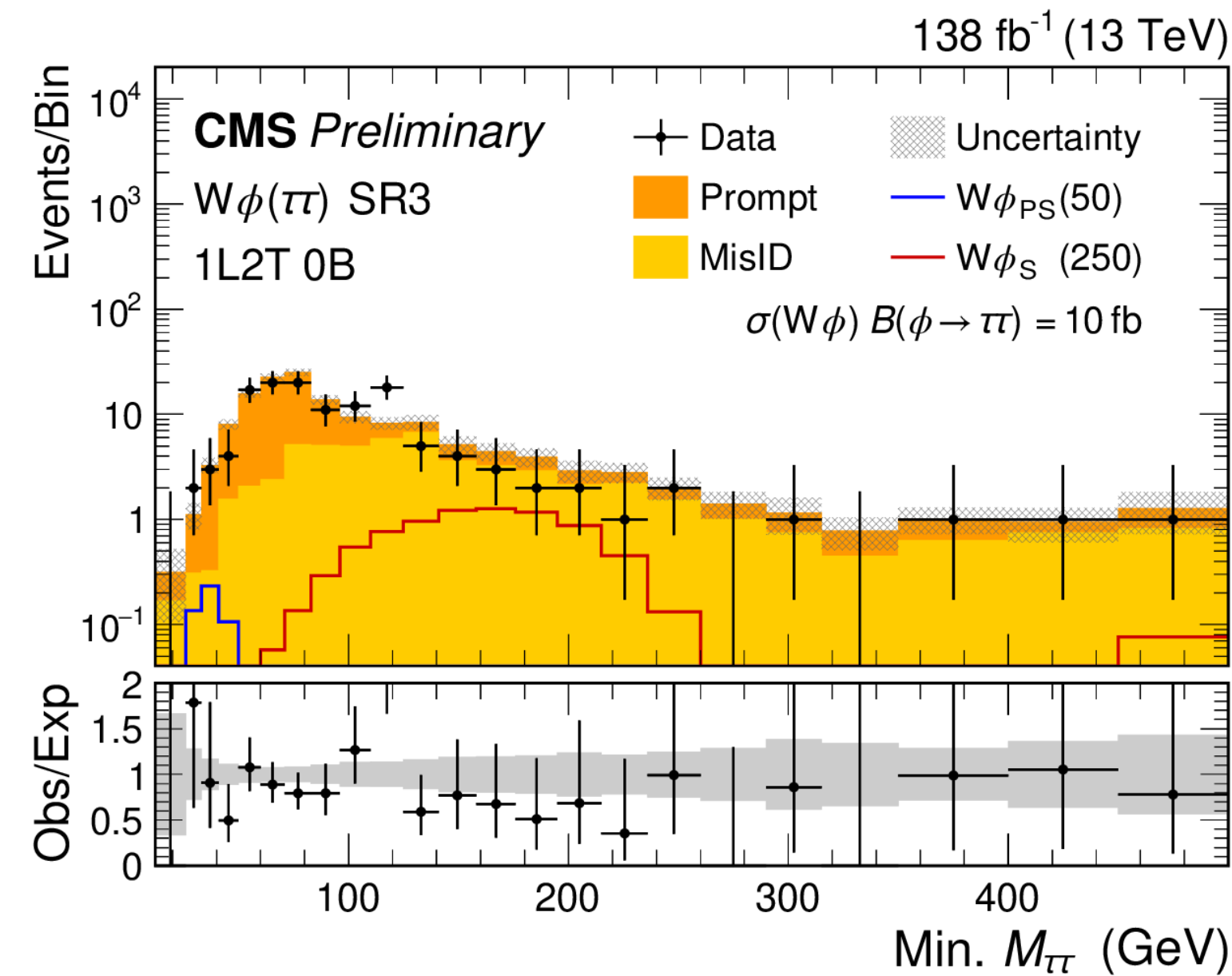
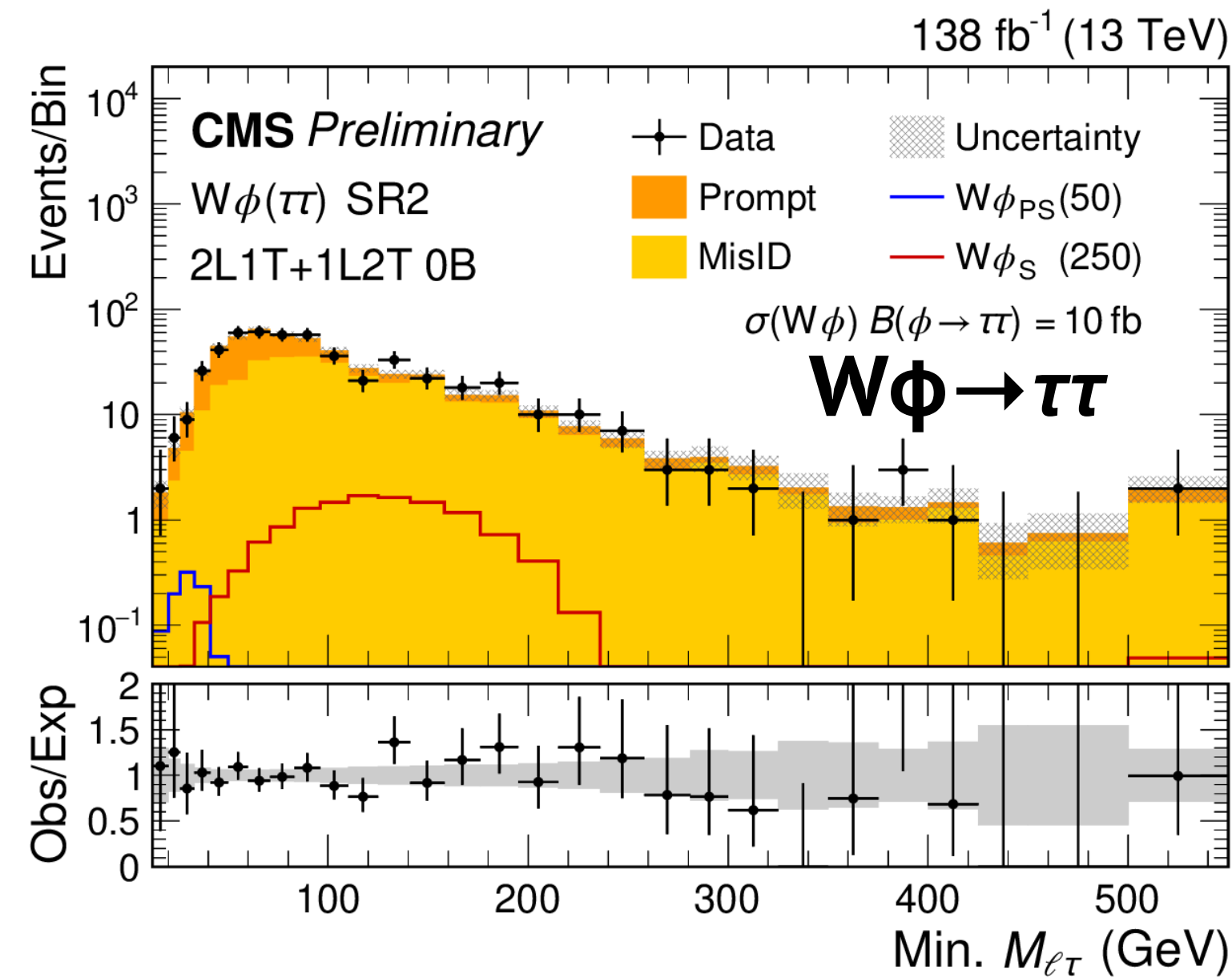
- Probes **9 different scenarios** (only $Z\phi \rightarrow ee$ **scalar** is shown)
- **4-lepton** channels dominate
- A binned maximum likelihood fit is performed on the dilepton mass



Excess at $m_\phi = 156$ GeV
2.9 (1.4) sigma local (global)

Search for $W\phi \rightarrow \ell\ell$

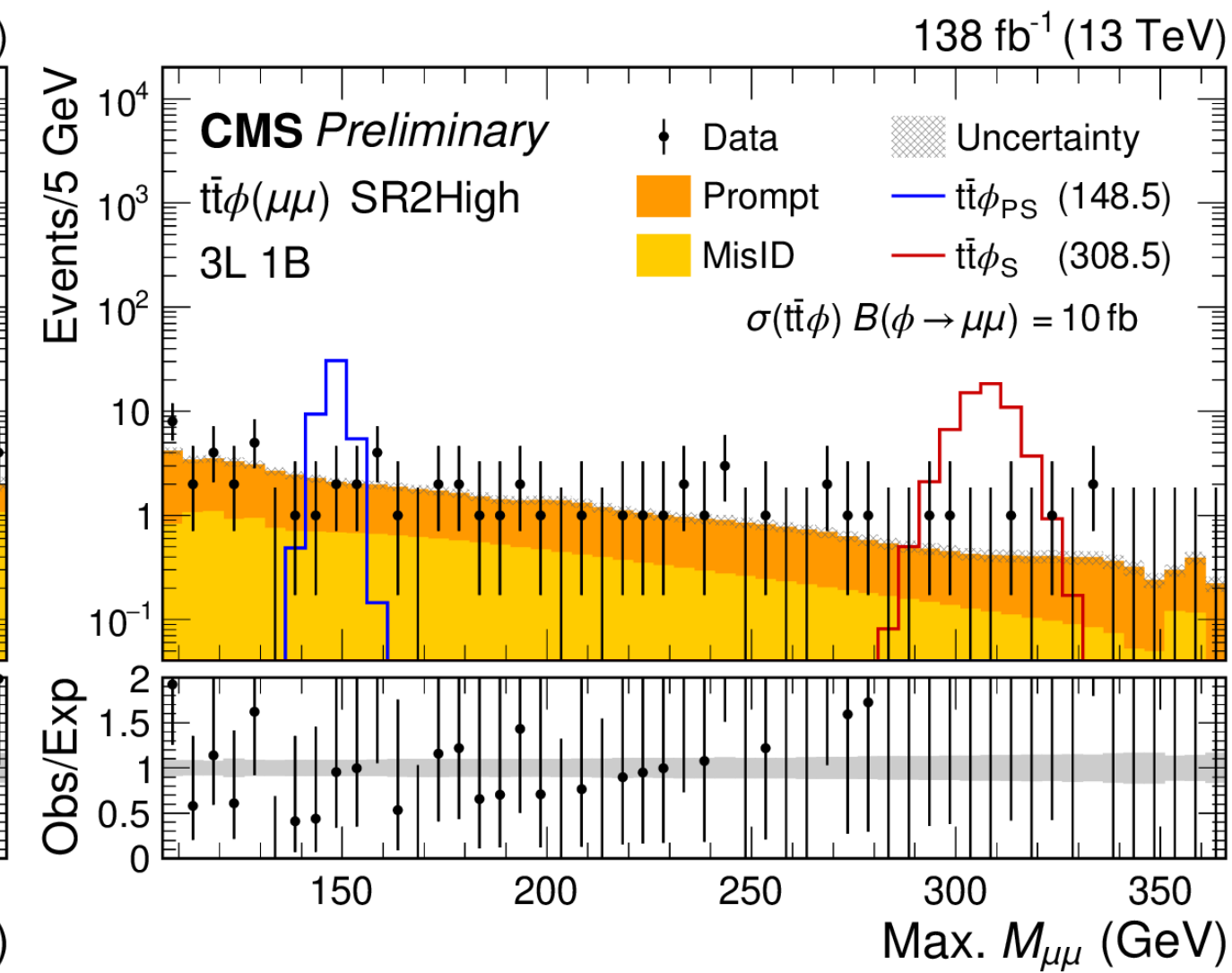
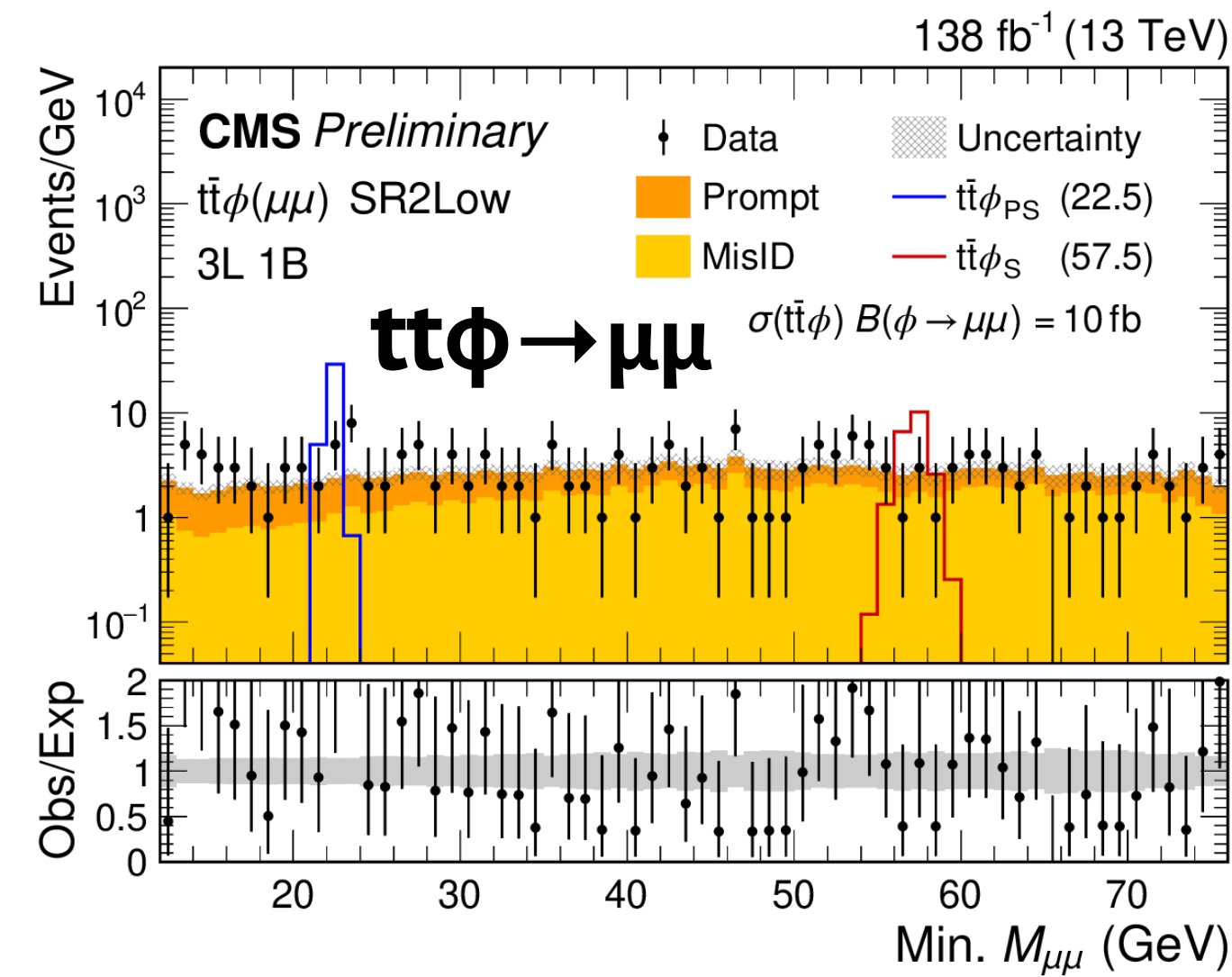
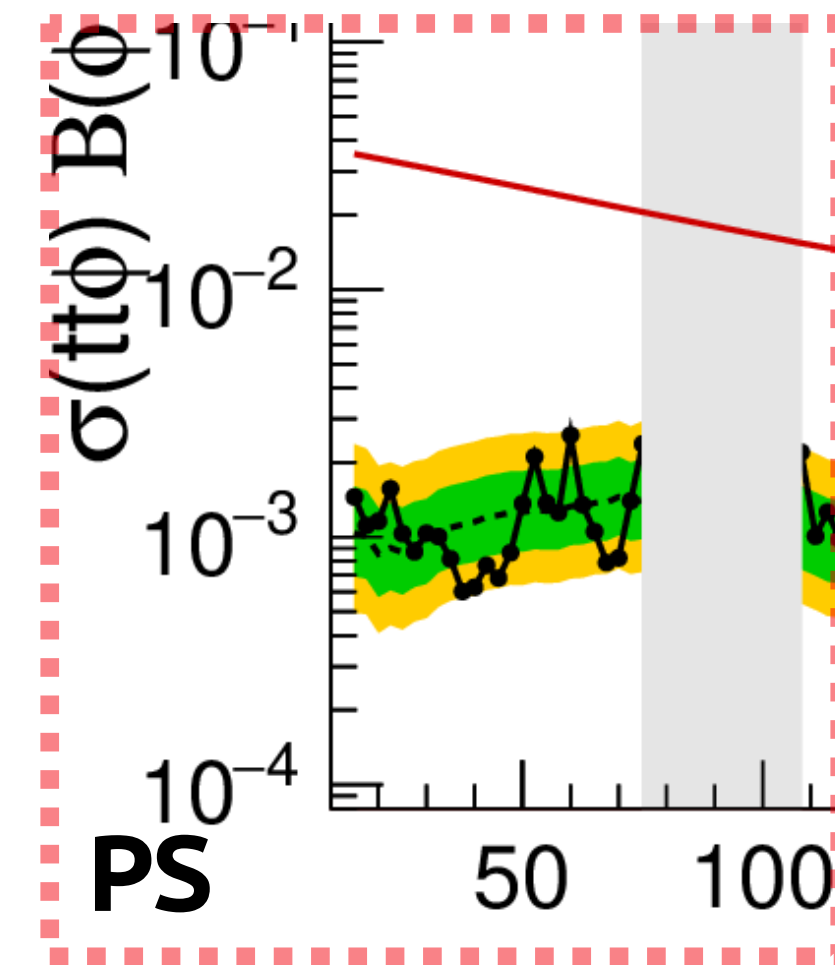
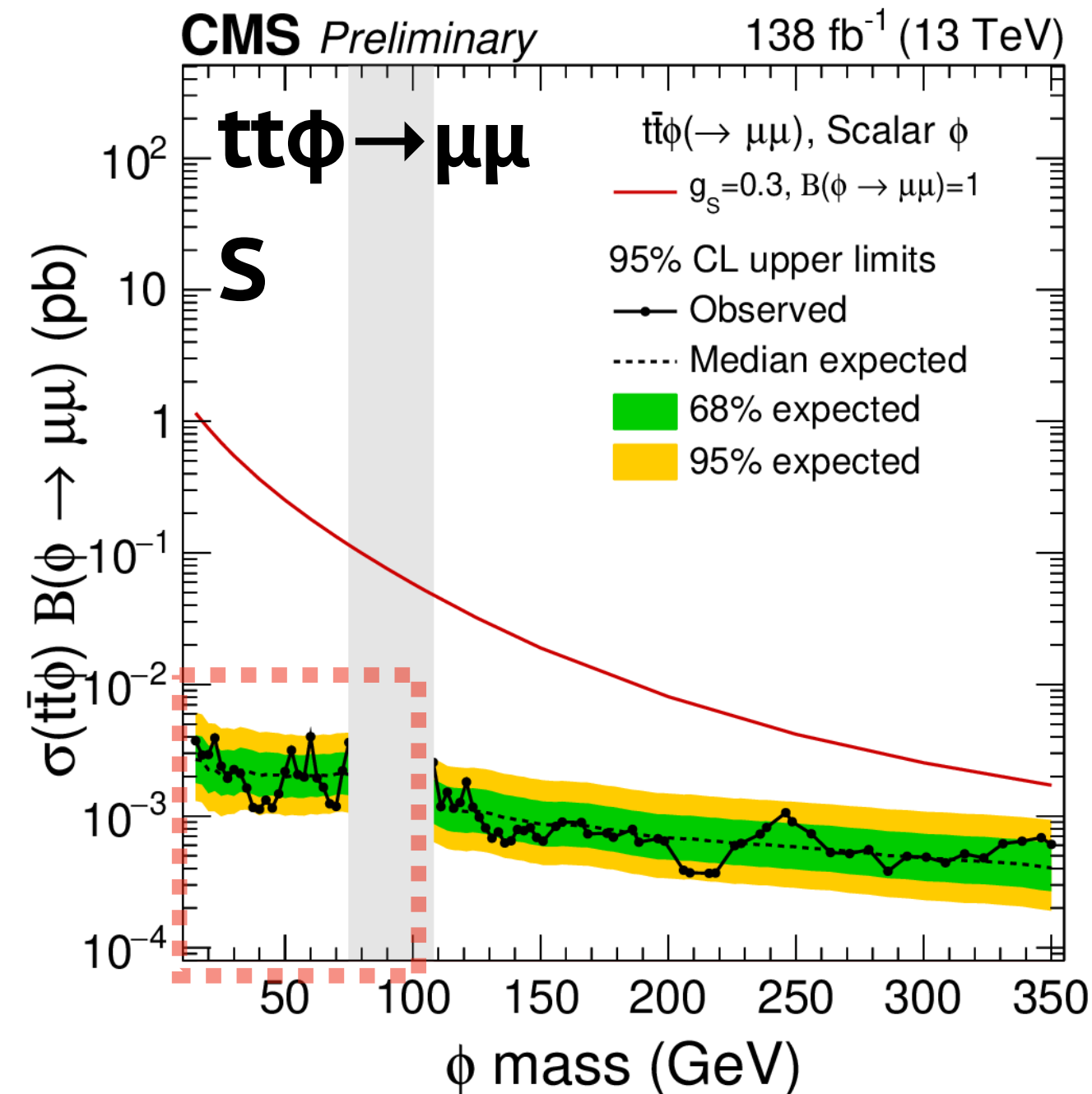
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- **9 different scenarios** are probed (only $W\phi \rightarrow \tau\tau$ scalar is shown)
- **3 lepton channels** dominate (mostly with two hadronic tau candidates)
- $\phi \rightarrow \tau\tau$ decays produce **broad ‘resonances’** ($e\mu, \ell\tau_h, \tau_h\tau_h$)
- τ_h reconstruction degrades at low p_T , **impacts sensitivity** at low mass

Search for $t\bar{t}\phi \rightarrow \ell\ell$

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- **6 scenarios** are probed (only $\mu\mu$ **scalar/pseudoscalar** is shown)
- **Combination of 3 and 4 lepton channels** contribute
- Analysis sensitivity at low mass is **different between PS and S**:
 - fermionic couplings both in production and decay
 - **boosted ϕ decays** help in the PS scenario (esp. for e/μ)

Alternate bounds on couplings in various models are **coming soon (HEPData)**:

- $\sigma \sim g^2$ or $1/\Lambda^2$
- Higgs-mixed scalar
 - axion like particles
 - dilaton like particles

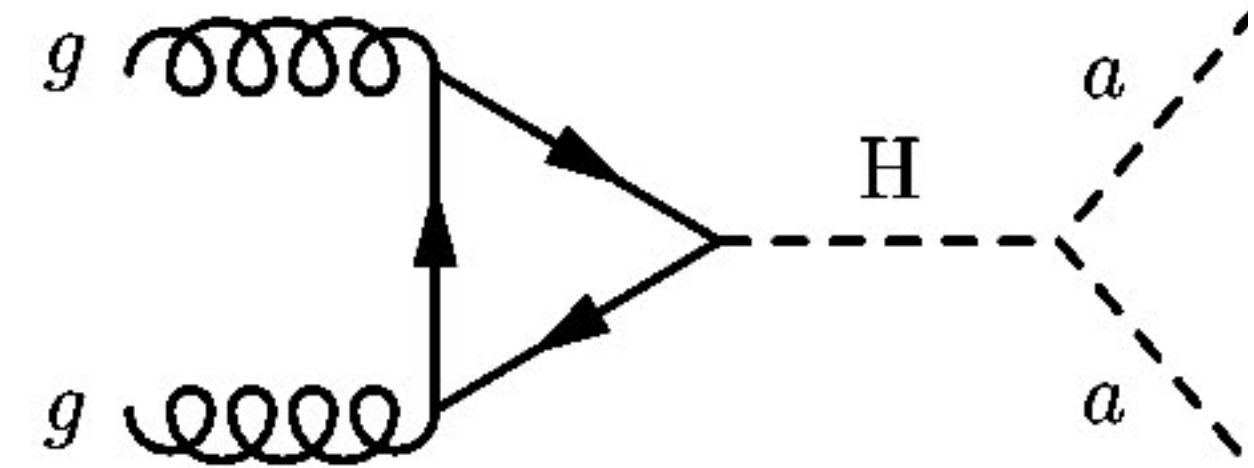
Light pseudoscalars: $H \rightarrow aa$

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HIG-22-007



- Exotic Higgs boson decays to new lighter states are **still allowed**
- Probing a light pseudoscalar in the mass range **15 - 62.5 GeV** ($m_a < m_H/2$)
- Pseudoscalar-fermion couplings are **inherited via mixing** with the SM Higgs
 - bb , $\tau\tau$, $\mu\mu$ decay modes dominate at low masses



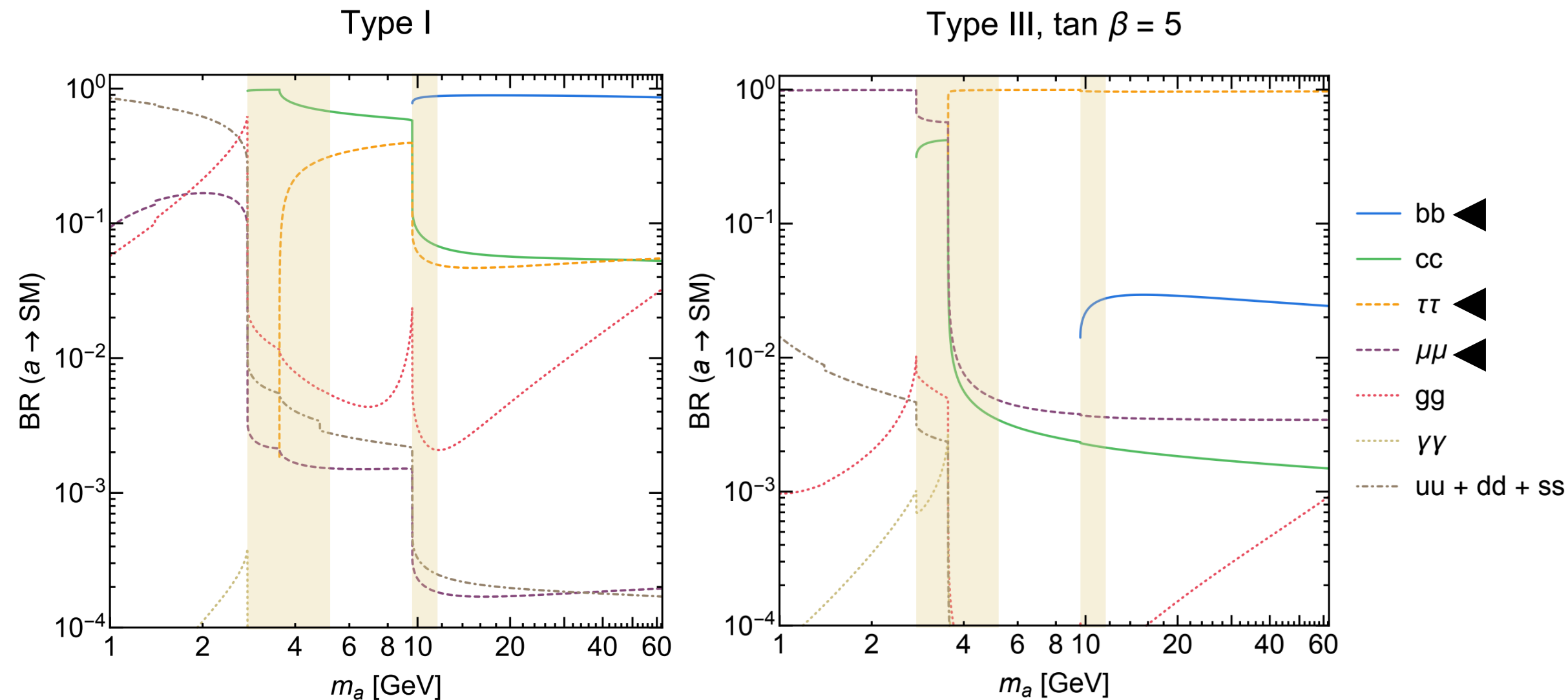
$$H \rightarrow aa \rightarrow \mu\mu bb / \tau\tau bb$$

Two complementary decay modes are targeted, leading to 4 distinct final states:

$$\mu\mu bb \quad \tau_e \tau_\mu bb \quad \tau_e \tau_h bb \quad \tau_\mu \tau_h bb$$

High mass resolution
($\mu\mu$)

Large BR in large parts of parameter space
(bb , $\tau\tau$)



Other CMS results: $\mu\mu\mu\mu$, $\tau\tau\tau\tau$, $\mu\mu\tau\tau$, $\gamma\gamma\gamma\gamma$ etc

Signal model includes ggF (~ 48 pb) and the VBF (~ 3.9 pb) contributions

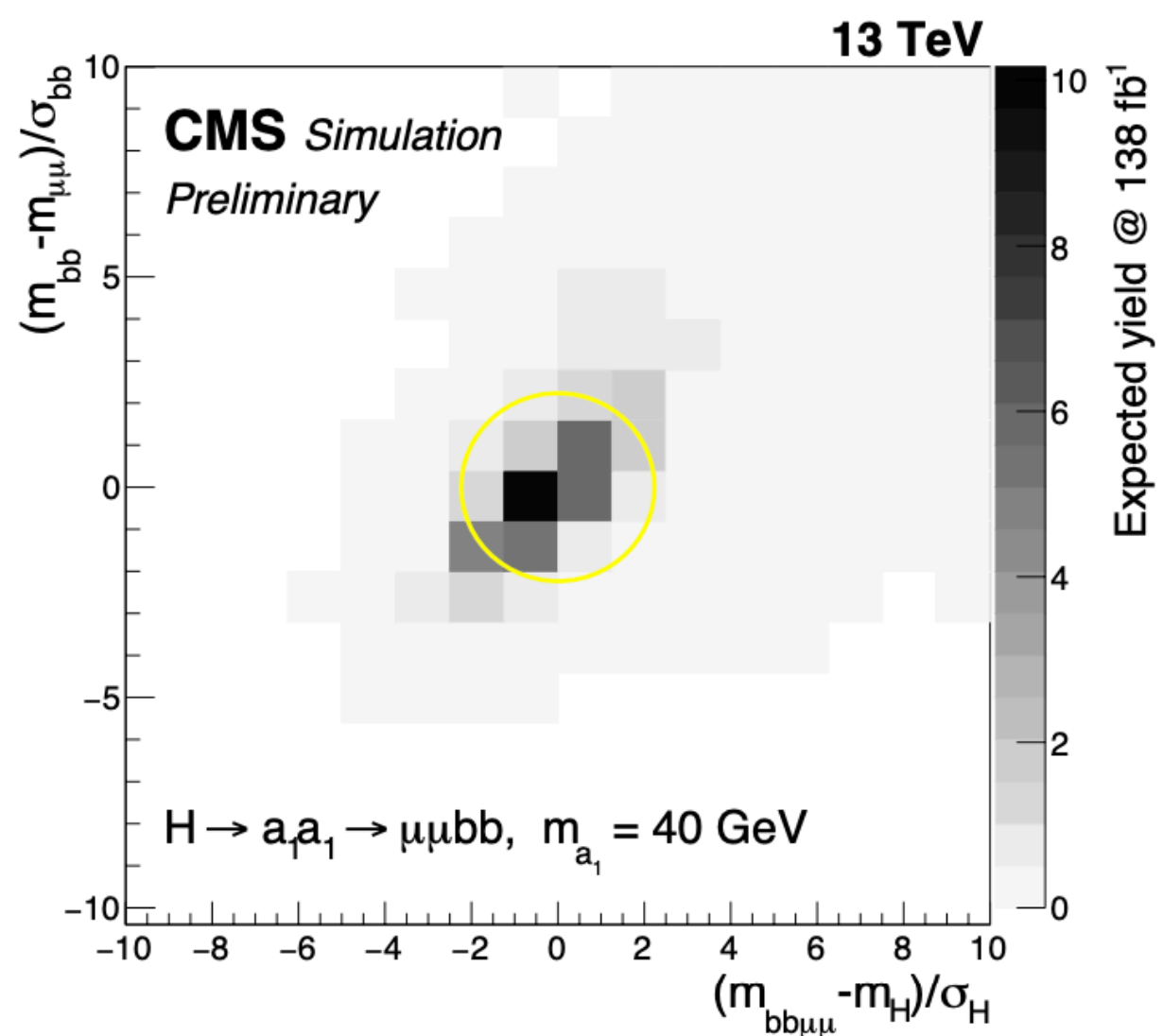
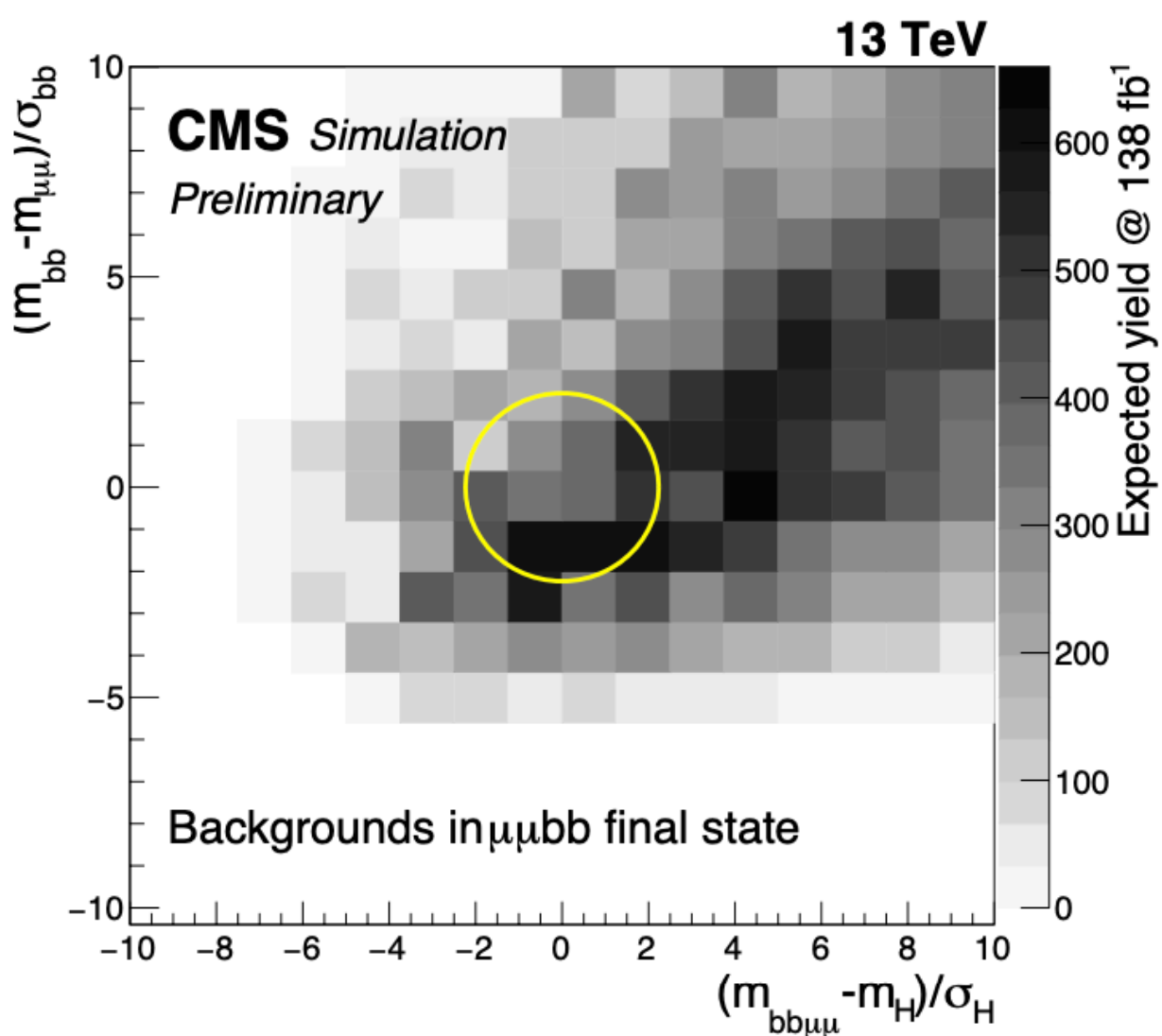
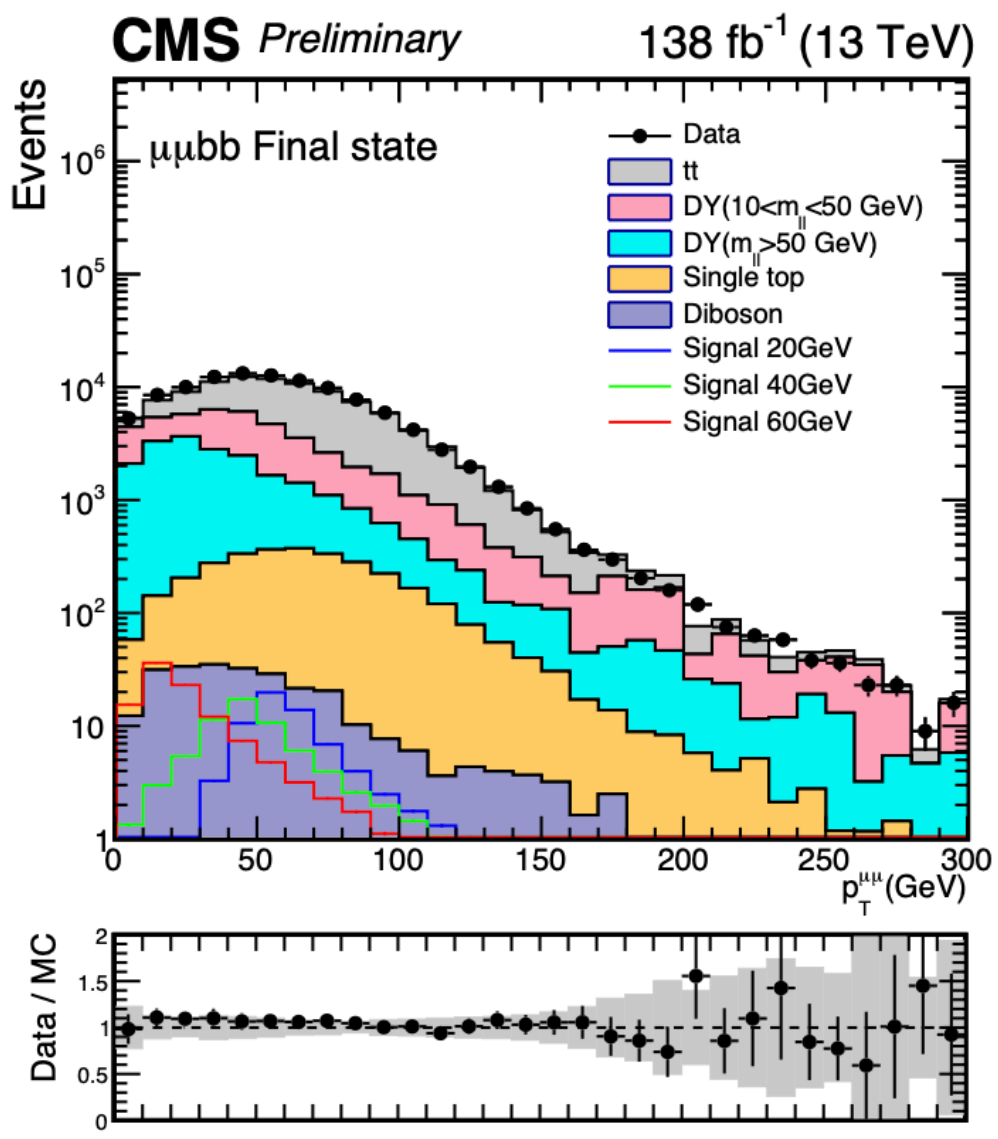
Part 1: $H \rightarrow aa \rightarrow \mu\mu bb$

- Final state with 2 muons and 2 b-tagged jets
 - 5 distinct categories are defined, based on jet qualities
- Dominant SM **tt background** is reduced by MET<60 GeV requirement
- Mass resolution is used to define “**double resonance consistency cuts**”

$$\chi_{\text{tot}}^2 = \chi_{bb}^2 + \chi_H^2 \quad \text{where } \chi_{bb} = (m_{bb} - m_{\mu\mu})/\sigma_{bb} \quad \text{and} \quad \chi_H = (m_{\mu\mu bb} - 125)/\sigma_H$$

Categories for selected events	
Low p_T	at least one b-jet with $p_T < 20$ GeV
VBF	two add. jets with $p_T > 30$ GeV, $ \eta < 4.7$, and $m_{jj} > 250$ GeV
TL	looser b jet passes L but fails M
TM	looser b jet passes M but fails T
TT	looser b jet passes T

Improves low mass sensitivity

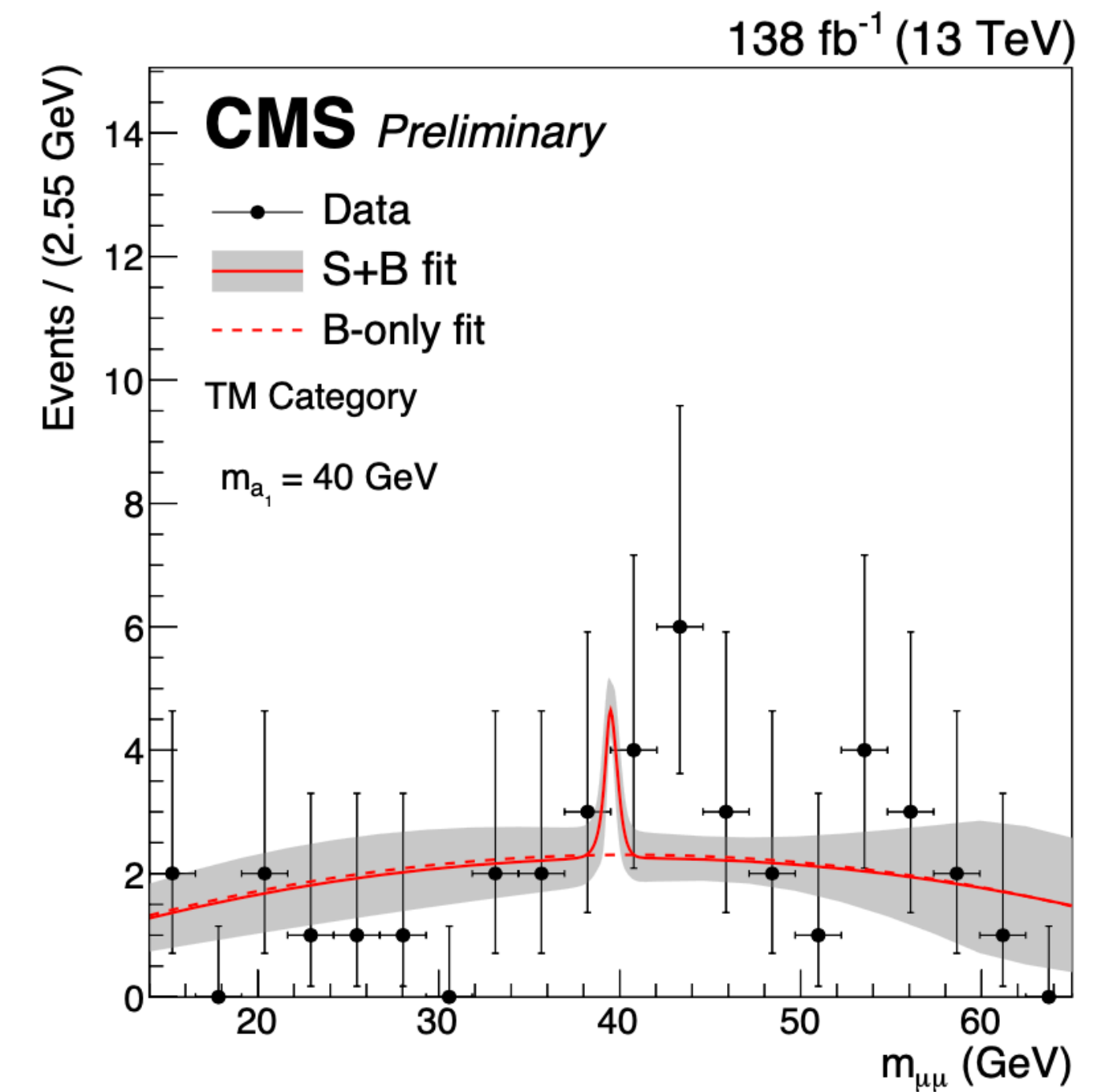
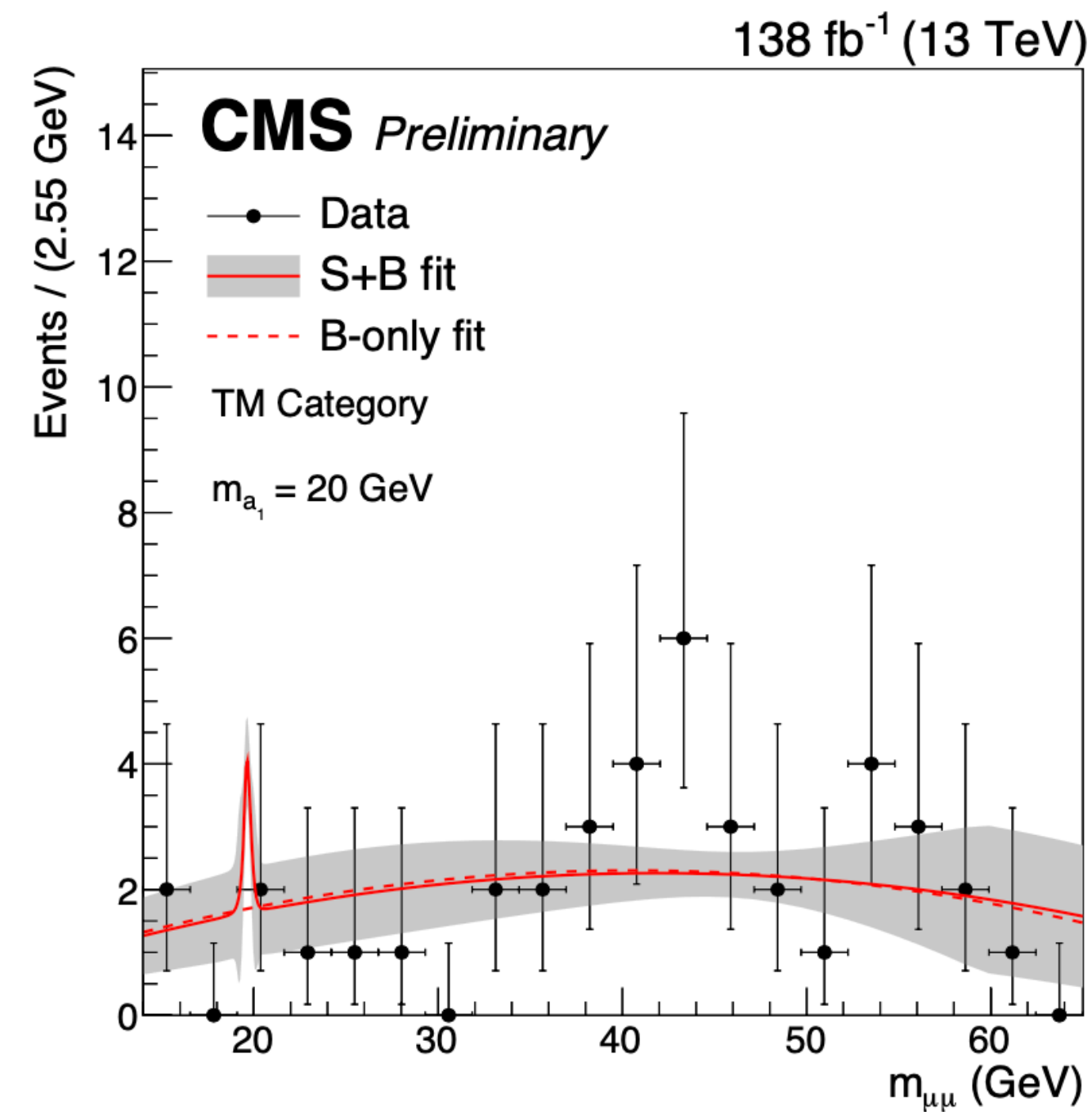
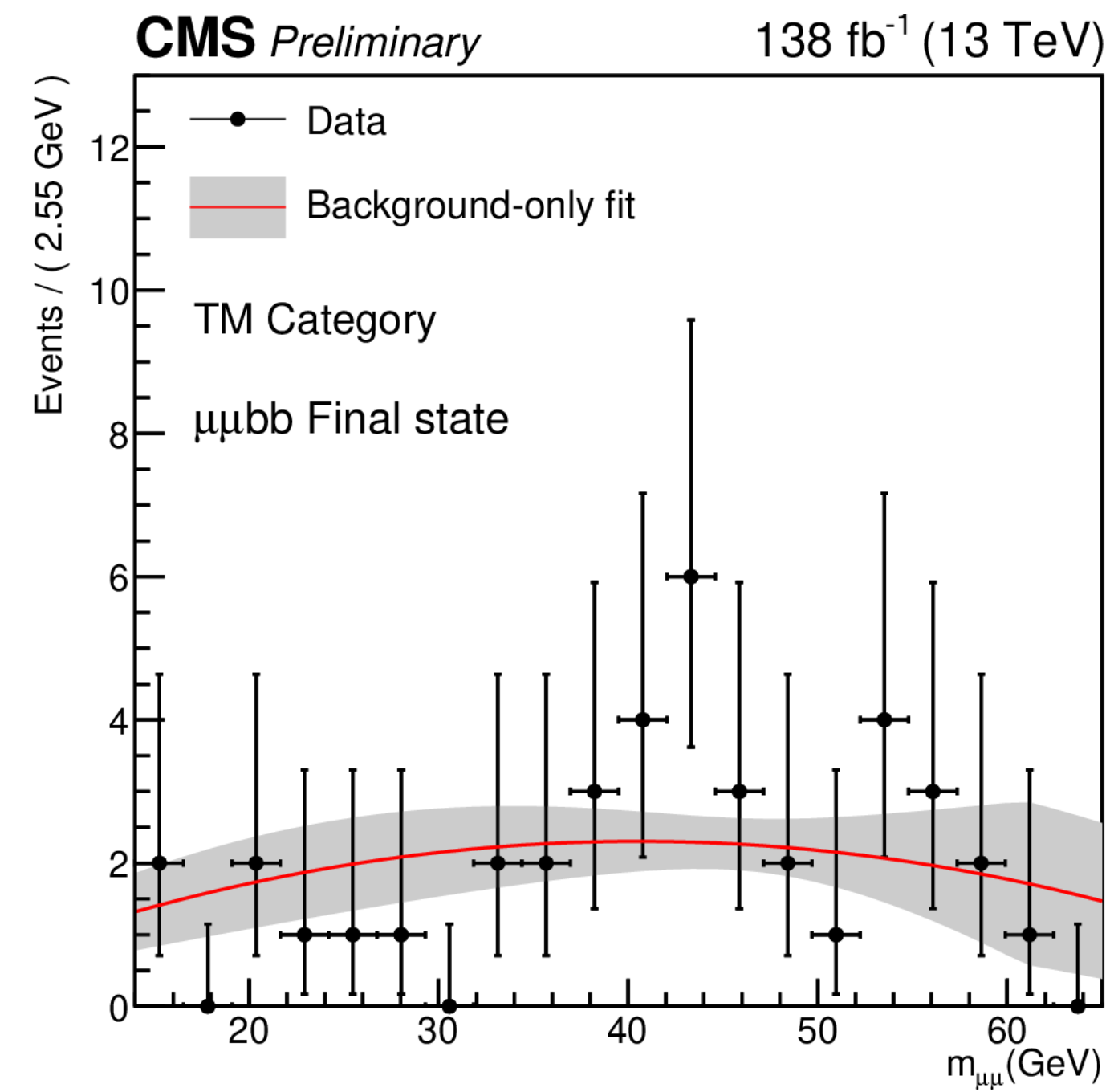


χ_H and χ_{bb} are corrected and decorrelated.

Part 1: $H \rightarrow aa \rightarrow \mu\mu bb$

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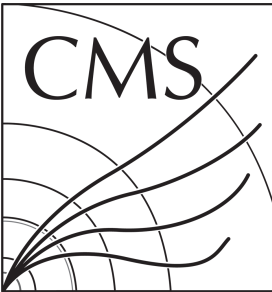


Unbinned maximum likelihood fit is performed on the dimuon mass
- fully data driven background estimation!

Part 2: $H \rightarrow aa \rightarrow \tau\tau bb$

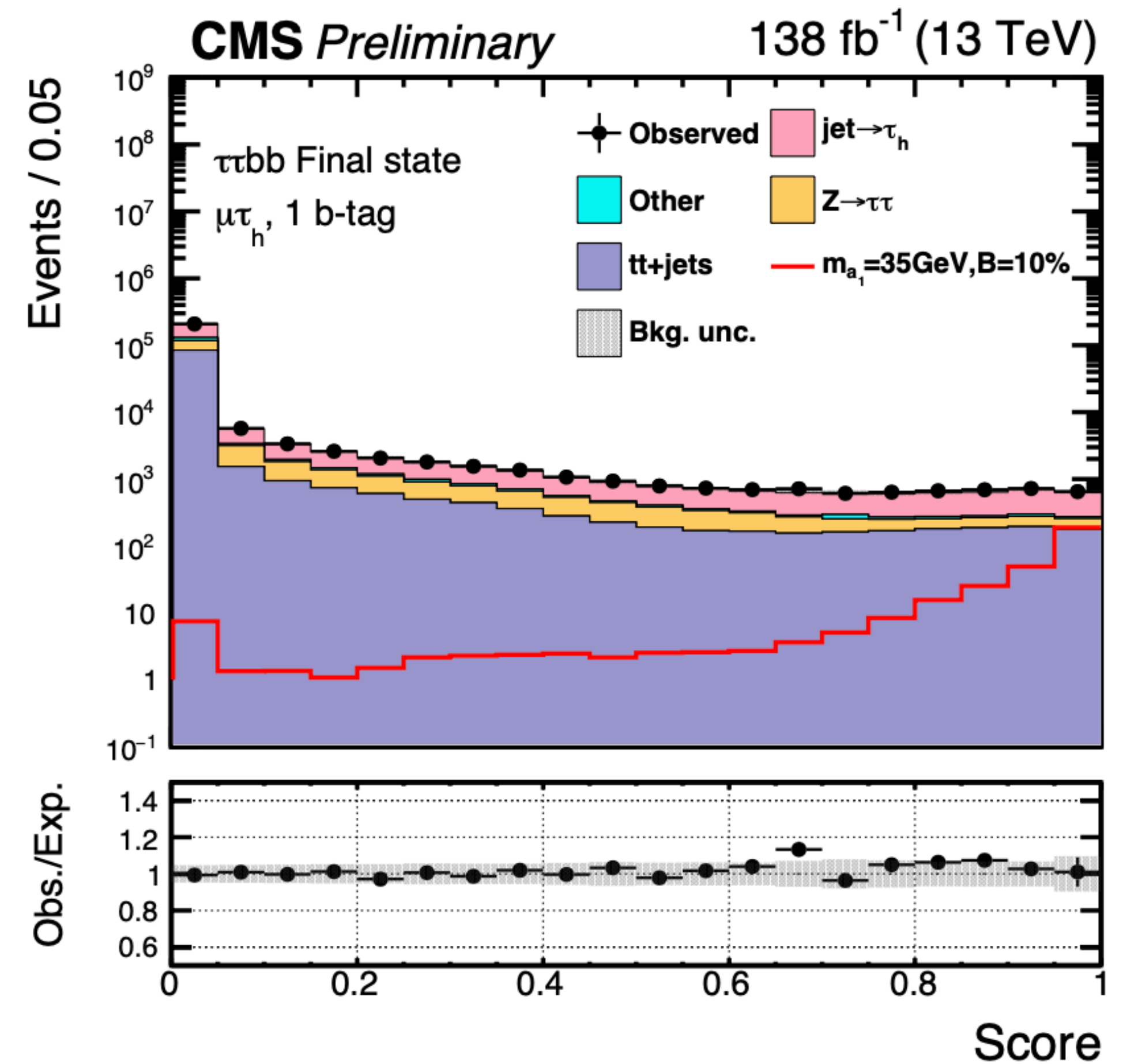
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- 6 categories, with one or two b-tagged jets
 - $\tau_e \tau_\mu b$ $\tau_e \tau_h b$ $\tau_\mu \tau_h b$
 - $\tau_e \tau_\mu bb$ $\tau_e \tau_h bb$ $\tau_\mu \tau_h bb$ (full signal reconstruction)
- A **DNN** is used to define multiple subcategories in each (**15 total**):
 - momentum vectors: p_T and η of leptons and jets
 - mass: $m(b\tau\tau)$, M_T ($W \rightarrow \ell\nu$ is at larger values)

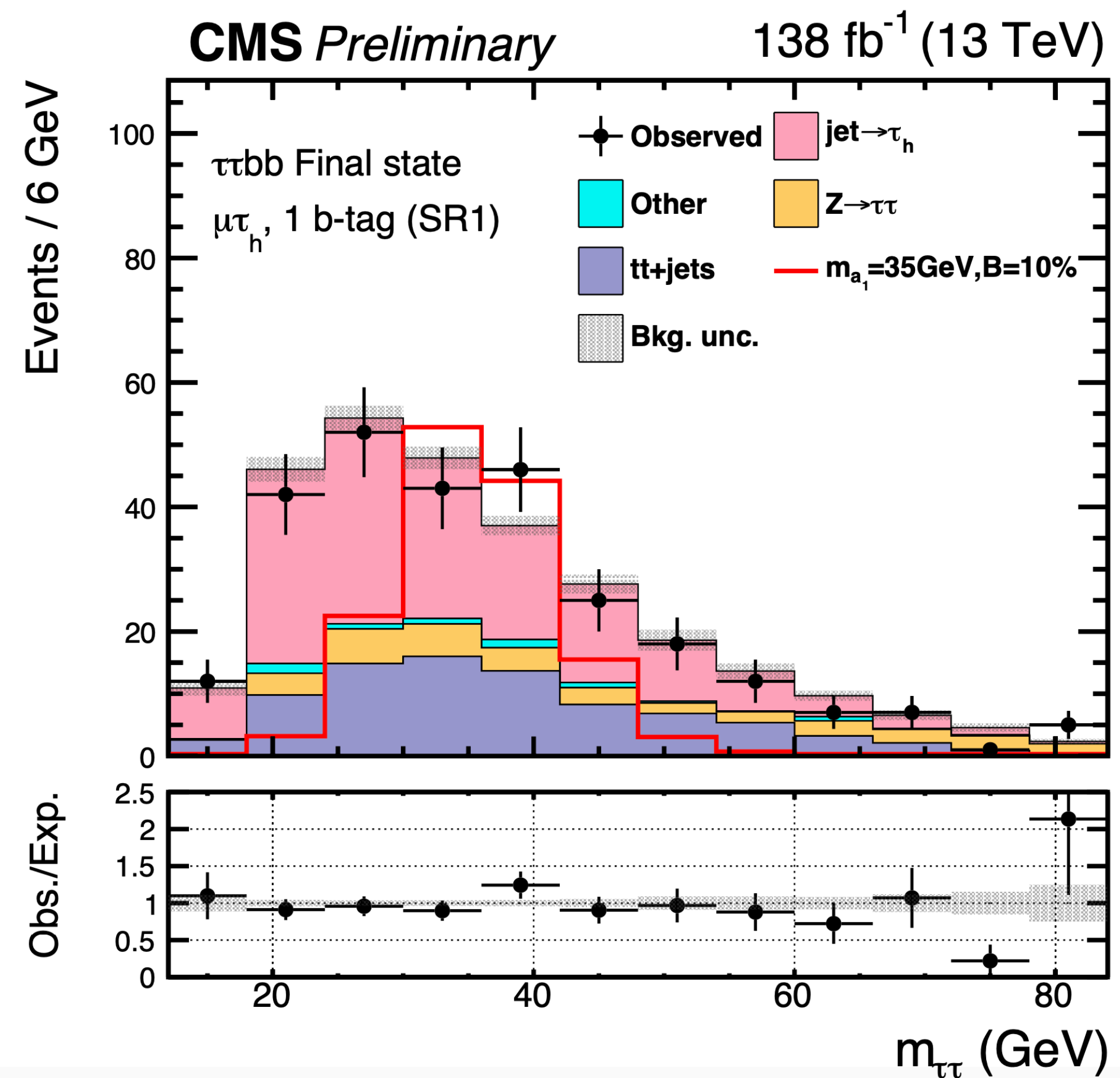
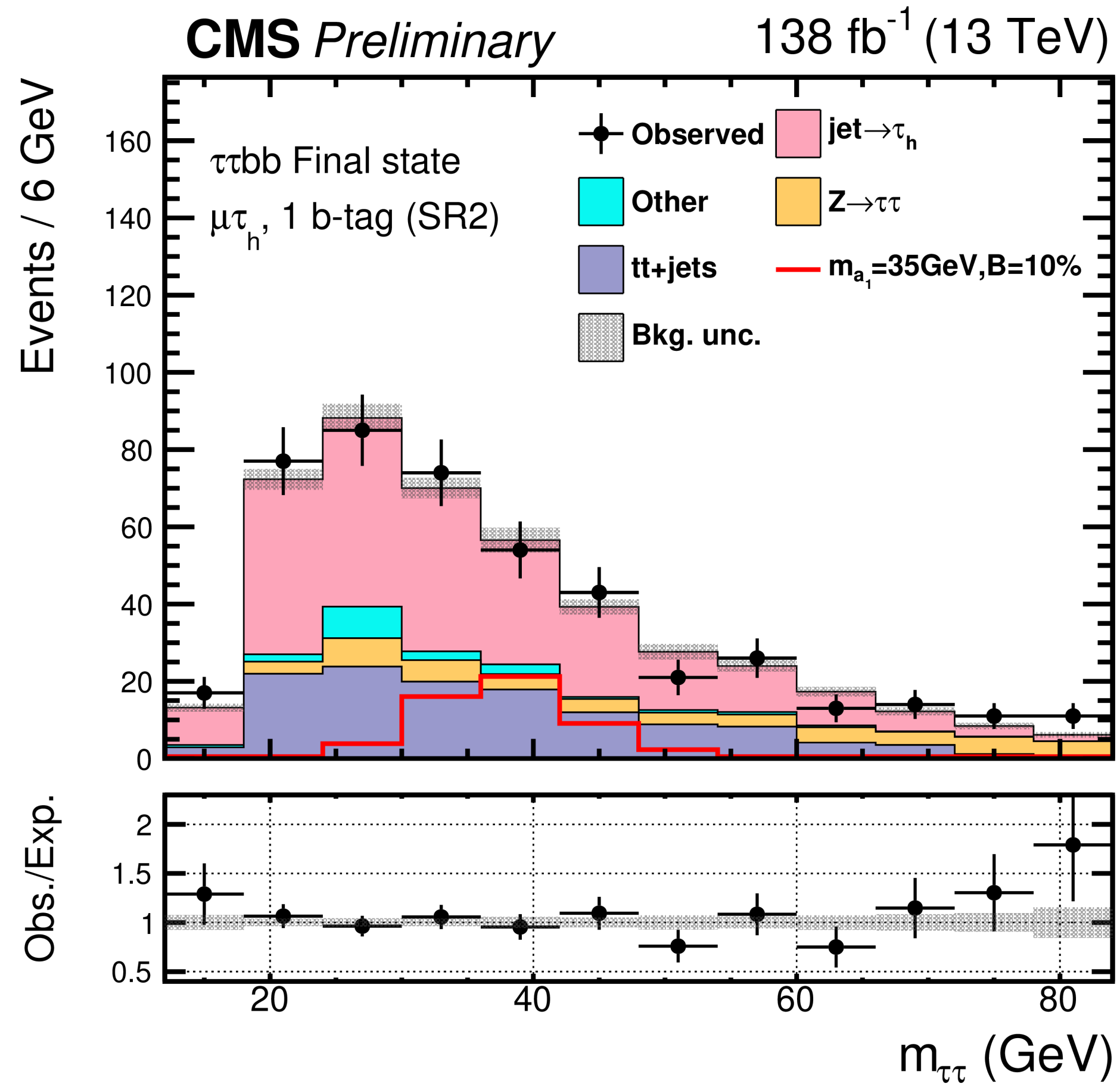
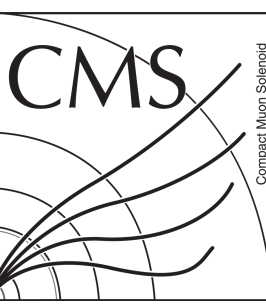
$$\Delta m = (m_{bb} - m_{\tau\tau})/m_{\tau\tau}$$
 - angular: ΔR , D_ζ ($Z \rightarrow \tau\tau$ is at large values, collinear MET and ditau)
- Data driven “fake factor” method is used to estimate contributions from $j \rightarrow \tau_h$ processes (jets misidentified as hadronic taus).



Part 2: $H \rightarrow aa \rightarrow \tau\tau bb$

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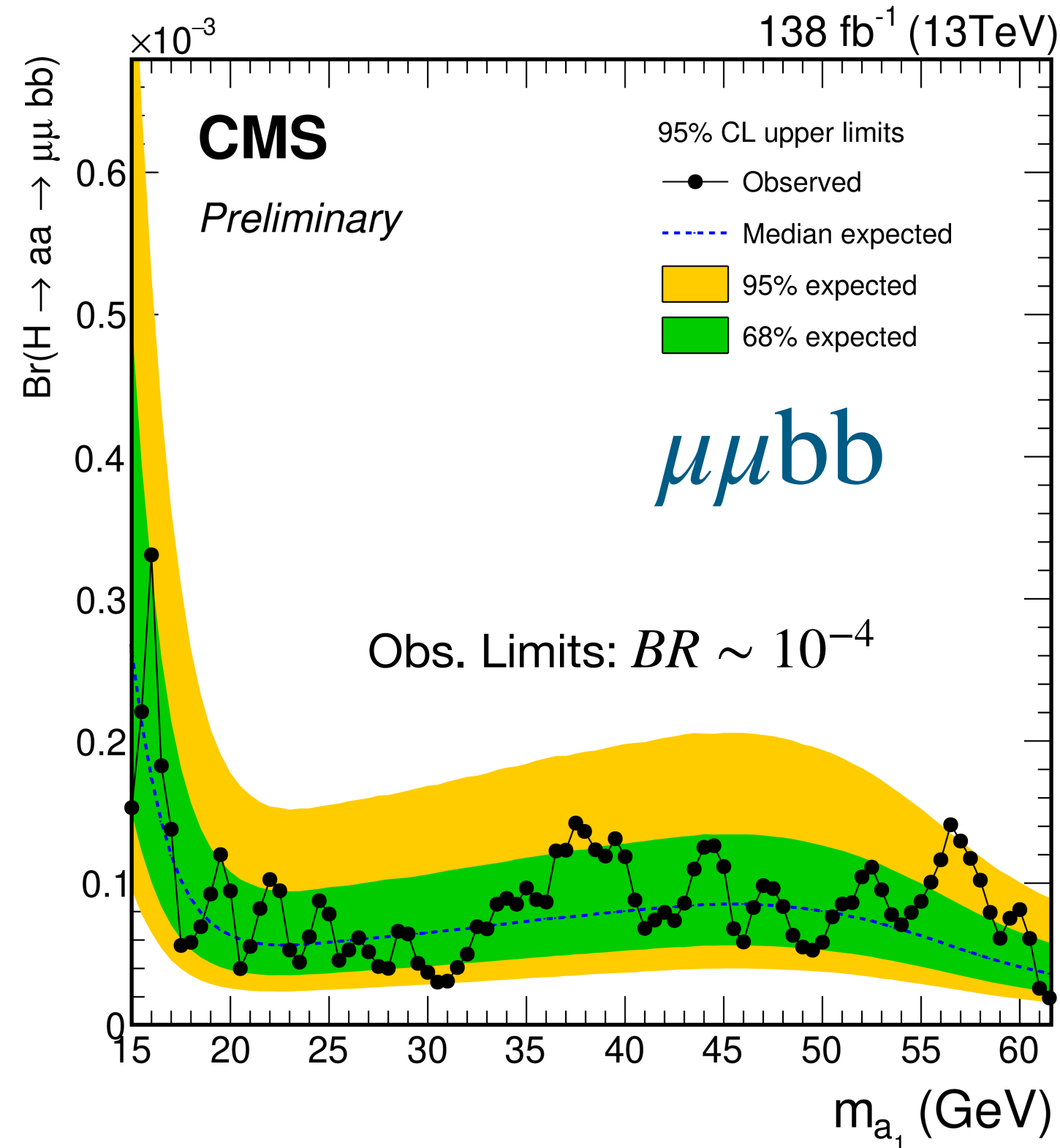


Binned maximum likelihood fit is performed on the ditau mass
- SVfit algorithm is used to improve sensitivity ($\sim 30\%$)

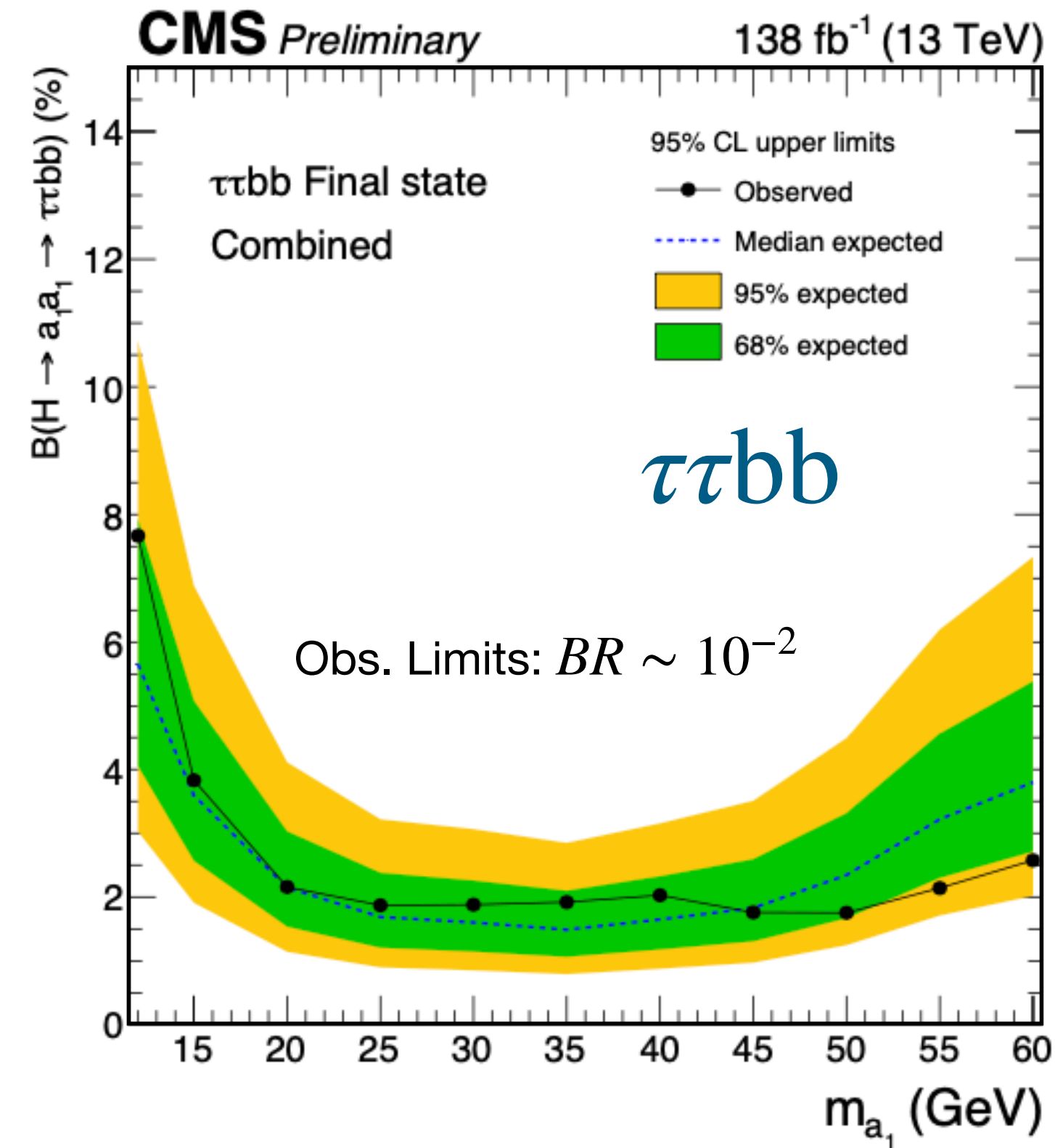
Light pseudoscalars: $H \rightarrow aa$

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two b-jets start to merge as a result of boosted $H \rightarrow aa$ decays



$e\mu$ ($\mu\tau$) final state drives sensitivity at low mass (overall)

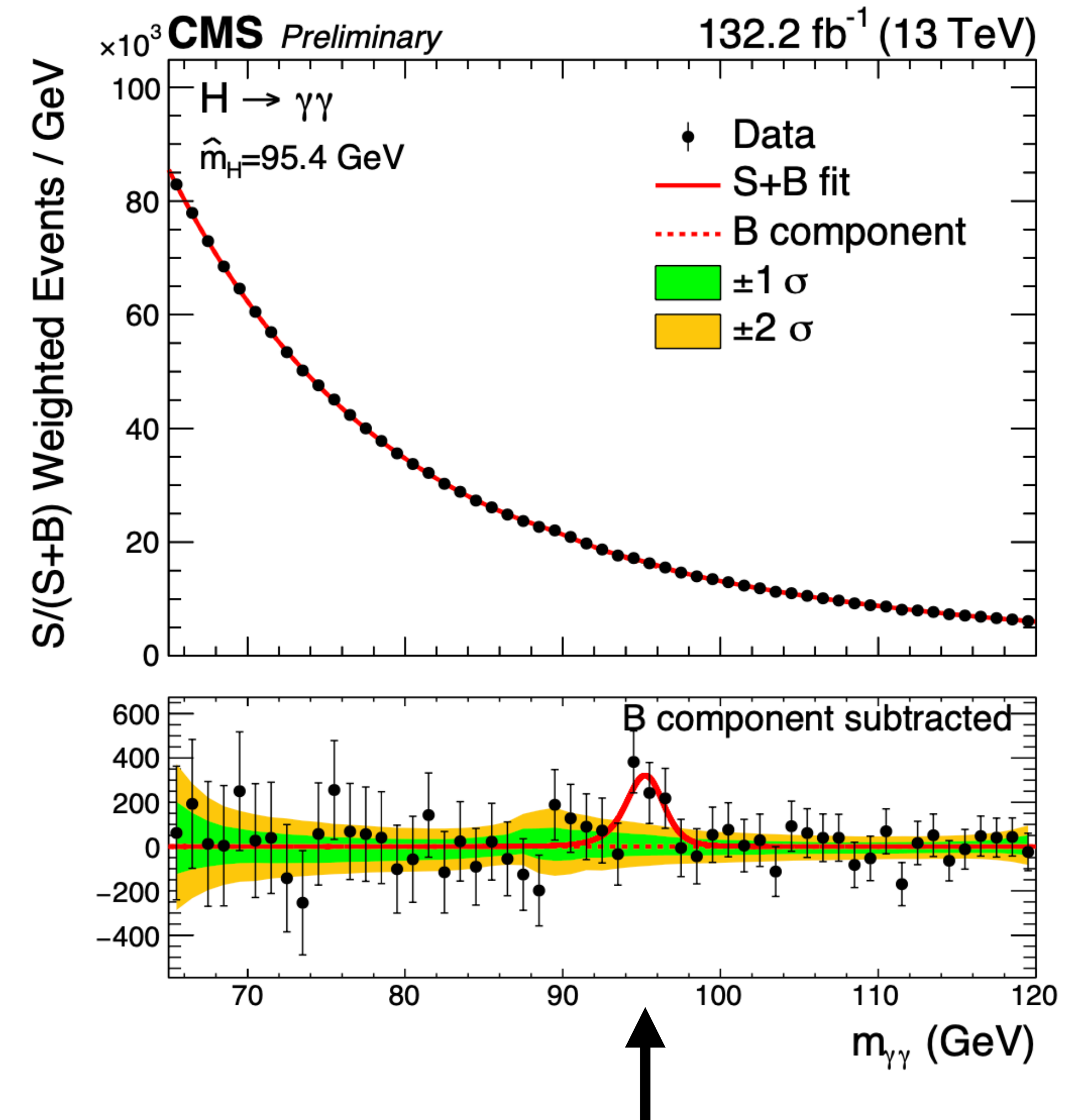
- The results are obtained independent of the 2HDM type and $\tan\beta$ parameter.
 - SM H production is assumed
 - Statistical uncertainties dominate
 - Improvement of sensitivity over the earlier CMS results by a factor of ~ 2
- Model dependent limits are also available.

Light Higgs to diphotons

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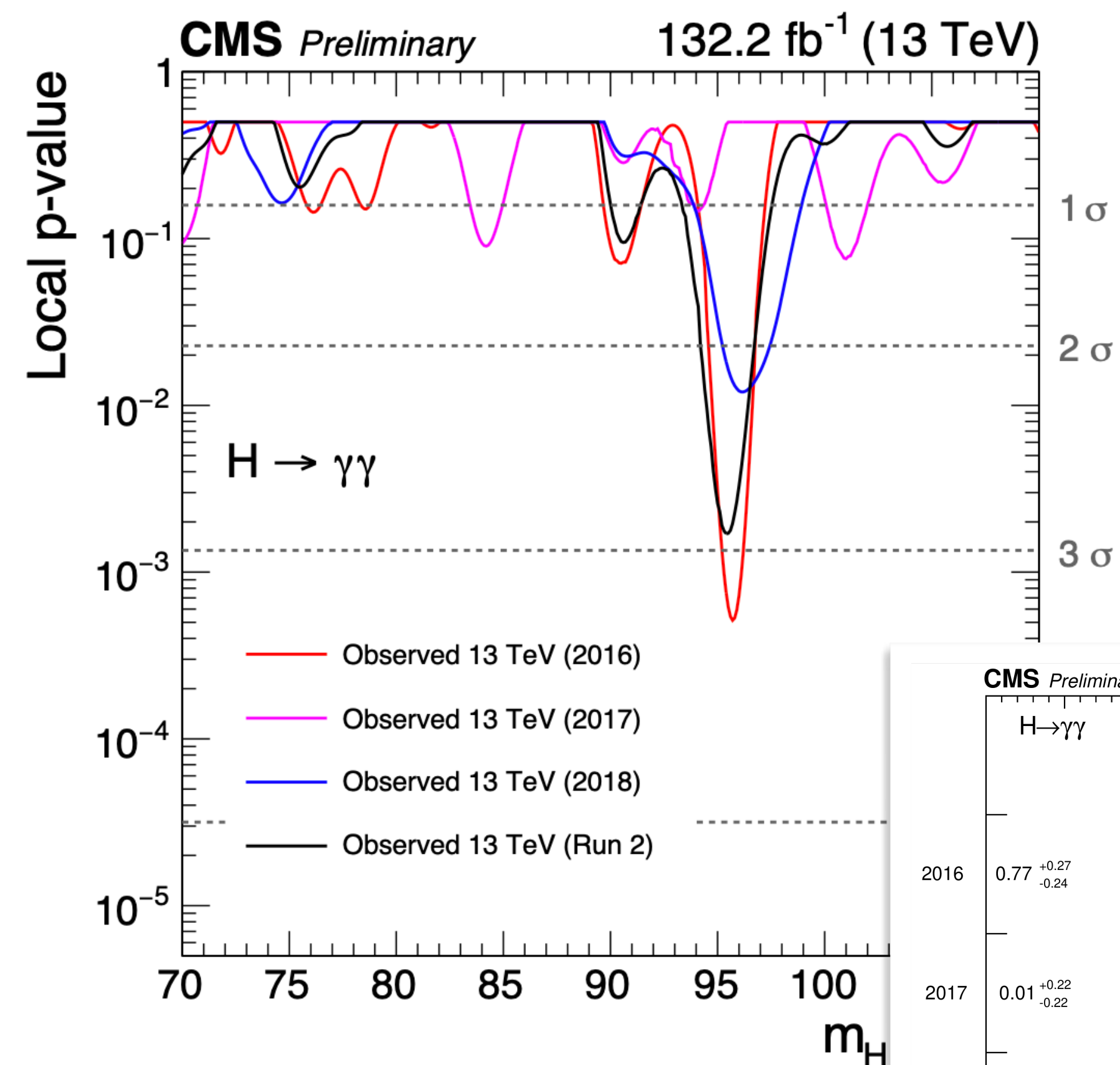
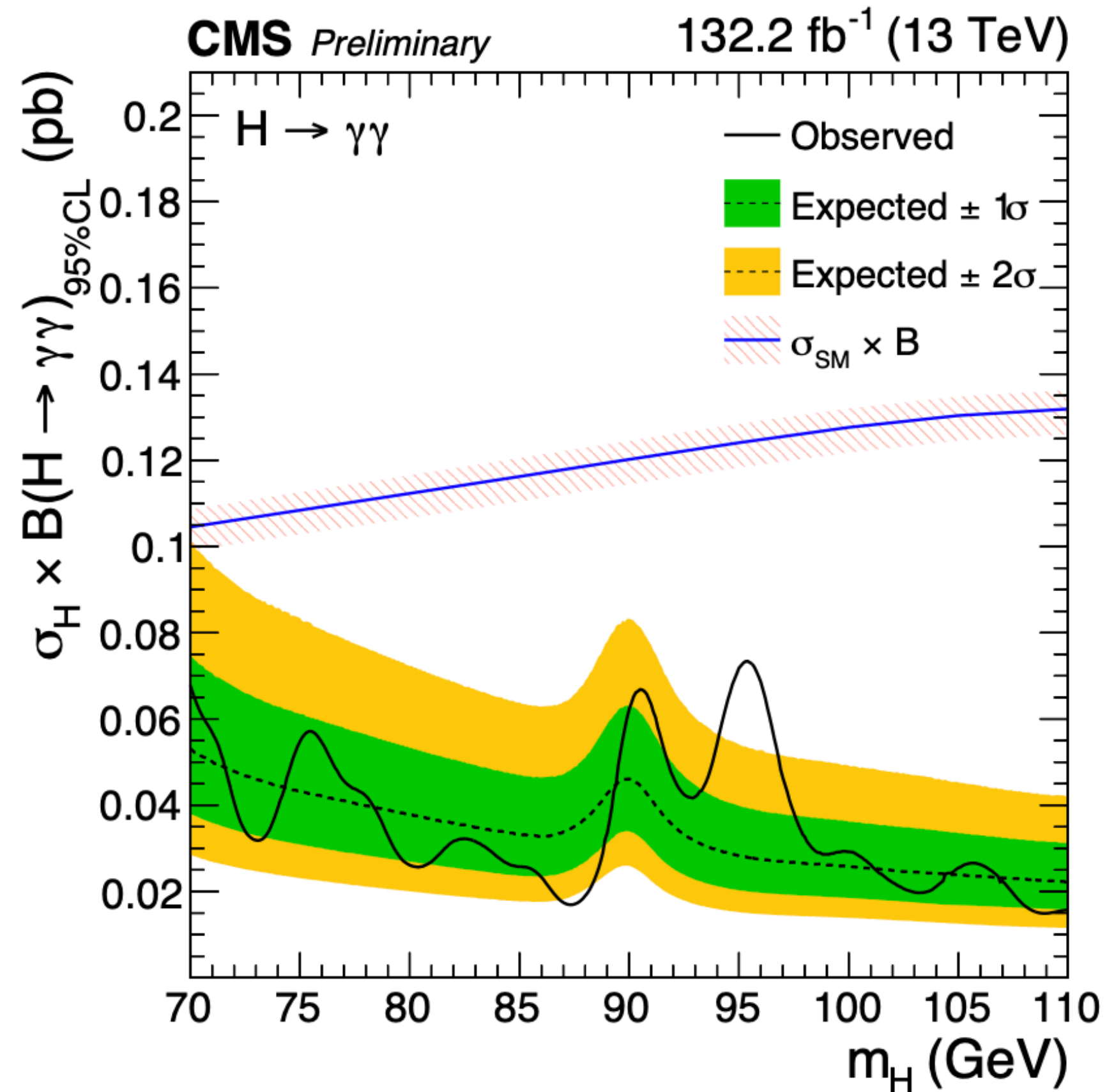


- Probing a “lighter” scalar state: $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$
 - Assumes natural width is small compared to the detector resolution.
 - diphoton mass resolution is 1-3%
- Targets the mass range 70-110 GeV
 - lower mass bound is defined to **avoid trigger turn-on** effects.
 - higher masses are covered by the $H(125) \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ analyses
- MVA techniques are used both for photon ID and event classification.
 - Photon MVA: lateral shower shape, isolation, energy density, η related variables (prompt vs nonprompt)
- Search for narrow signal peak over smoothly-falling background.
 - parametric fit to the diphoton mass spectrum is used

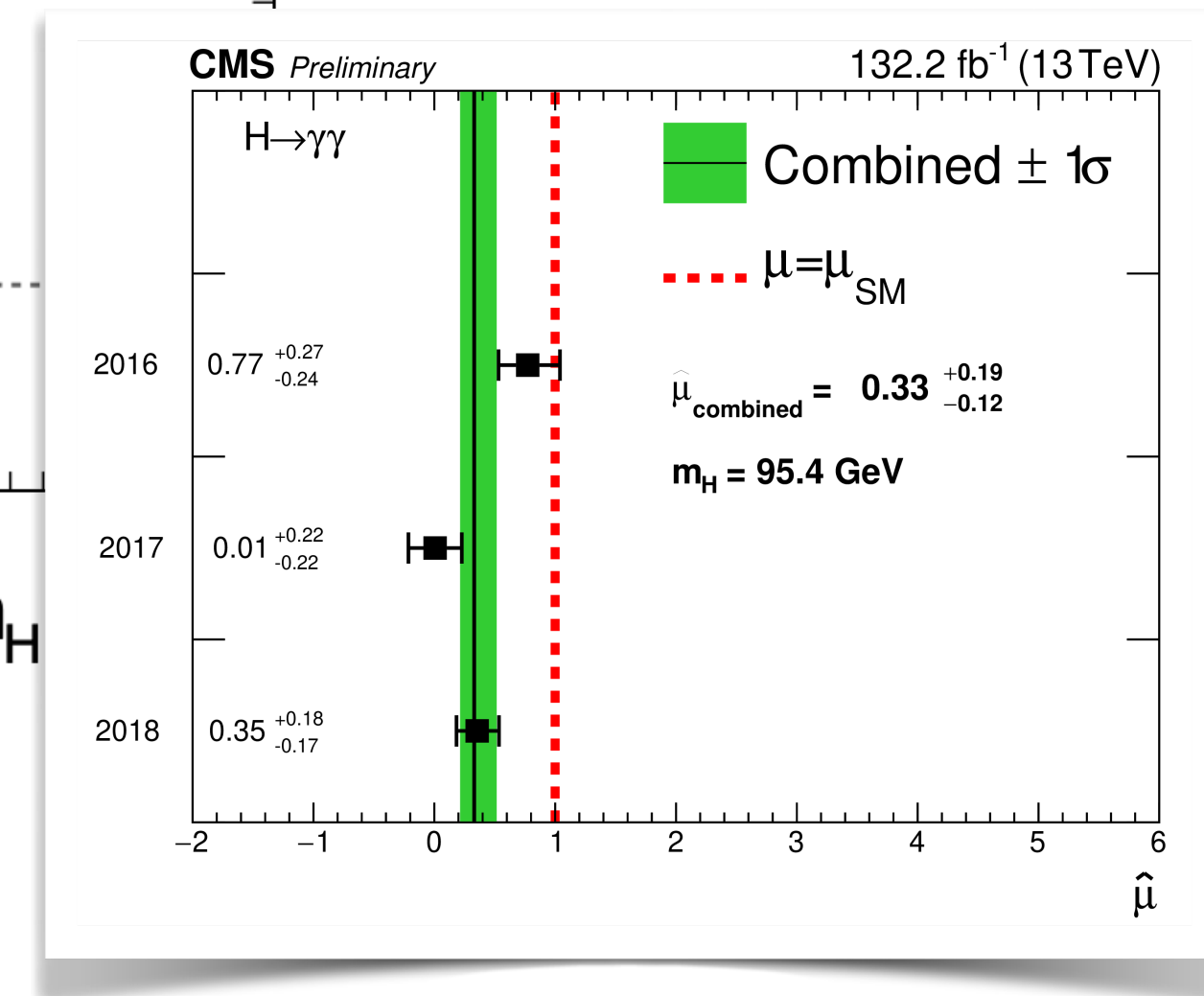


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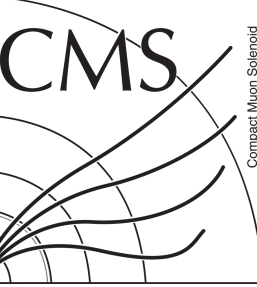
Run2:
 excess at 95.4 GeV
 with a local (global)
 significance of 2.9
 (1.3) standard
 deviations.



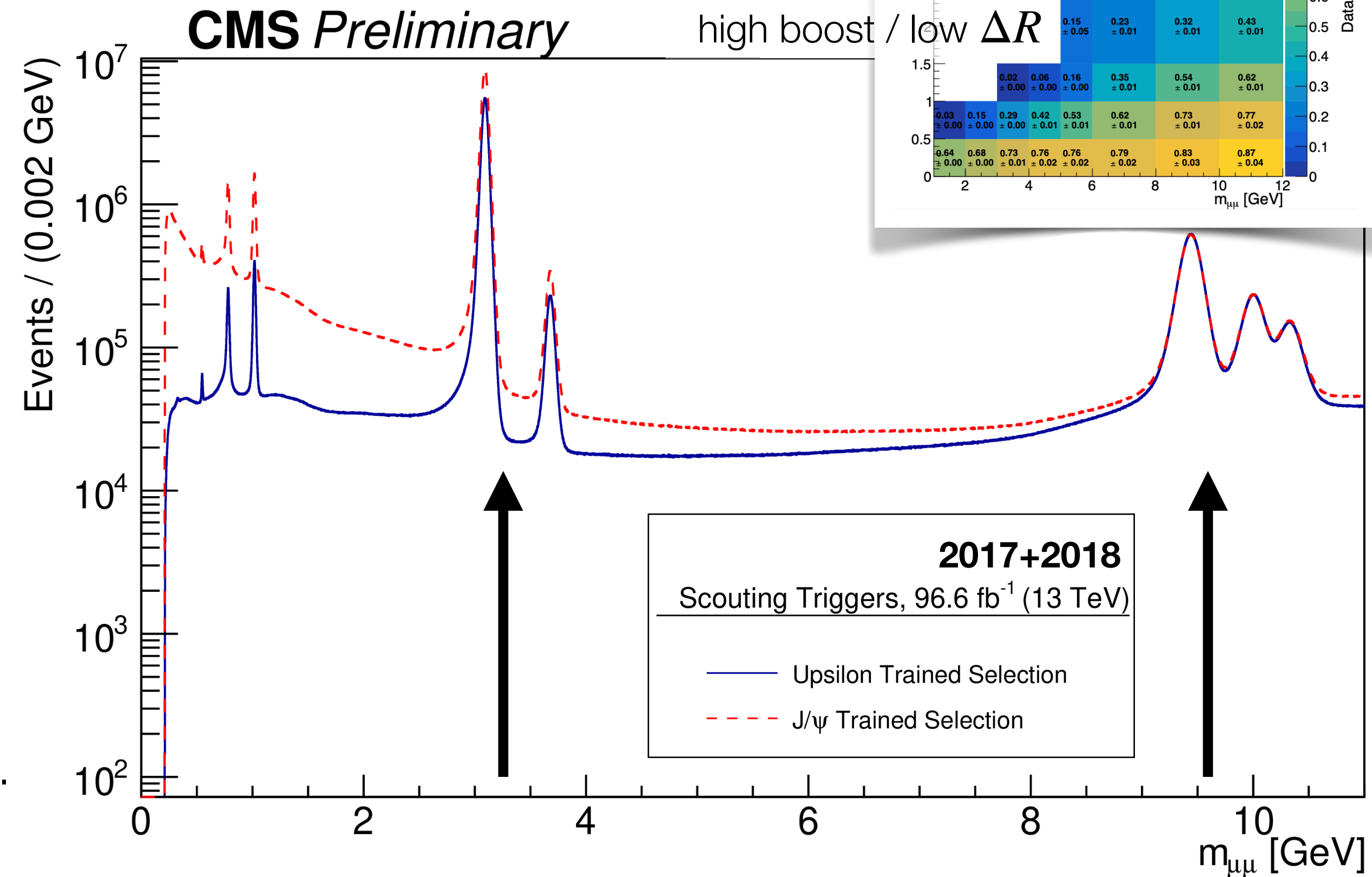
The first full Run2 search for such resonances in the diphoton final state!

Prompt low mass dimuons

EXO-21-005



- Probing **1.1-7.9 GeV mass range** with muon $p_T > 3$ GeV
 - events are directly reconstructed in the HLT
 - The high-rate trigger stream: 4-8kB/event at ~ 2 kHz
 - **CMS scouting dataset**
- *for comparison, regular dimuon trig. rate is < 0.5 kHz*
- Two custom MVA** selections are defined for low and “high” masses:
 - boost of dimuon pairs \leftrightarrow uncertainty on vertex position
 - improves sensitivity by $\sim 30\%$ w.r.t previous efforts
- Promptness cuts on the dimuon vertex - beam spot distance:
 - $L < 0.015 - 0.2$ cm and $L/\sigma_L < 3.5$ (depending on mass and p_T)
- Simultaneous **S+B fits** to the dimuon invariant mass distribution.
 - fully **data driven** background estimation!
 - assumes **narrow** resonance (CMS dimuon mass resolution $\approx 1.3\%$).
 - fit window $\pm 5x$ the mass resolution around the resonance mass.



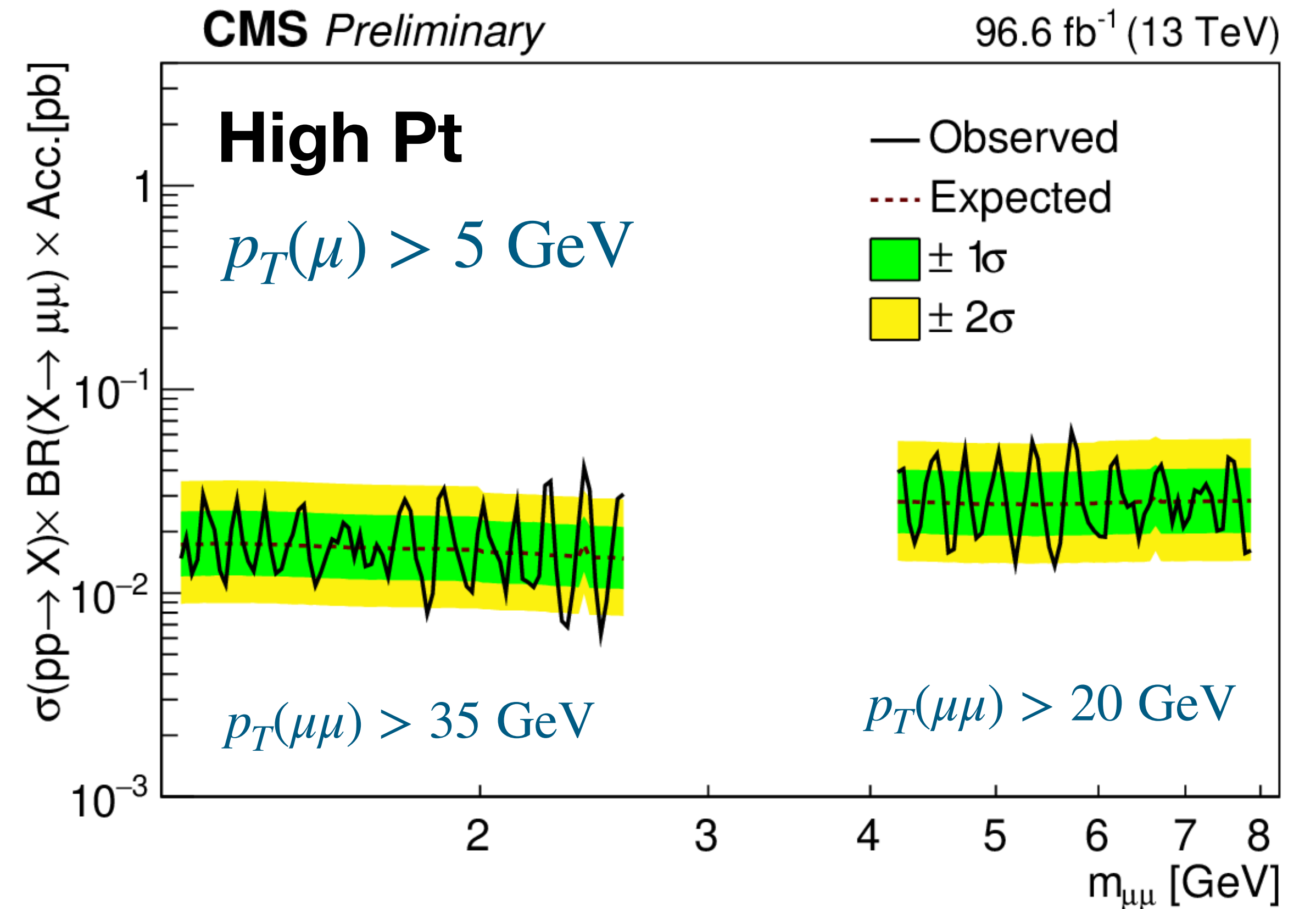
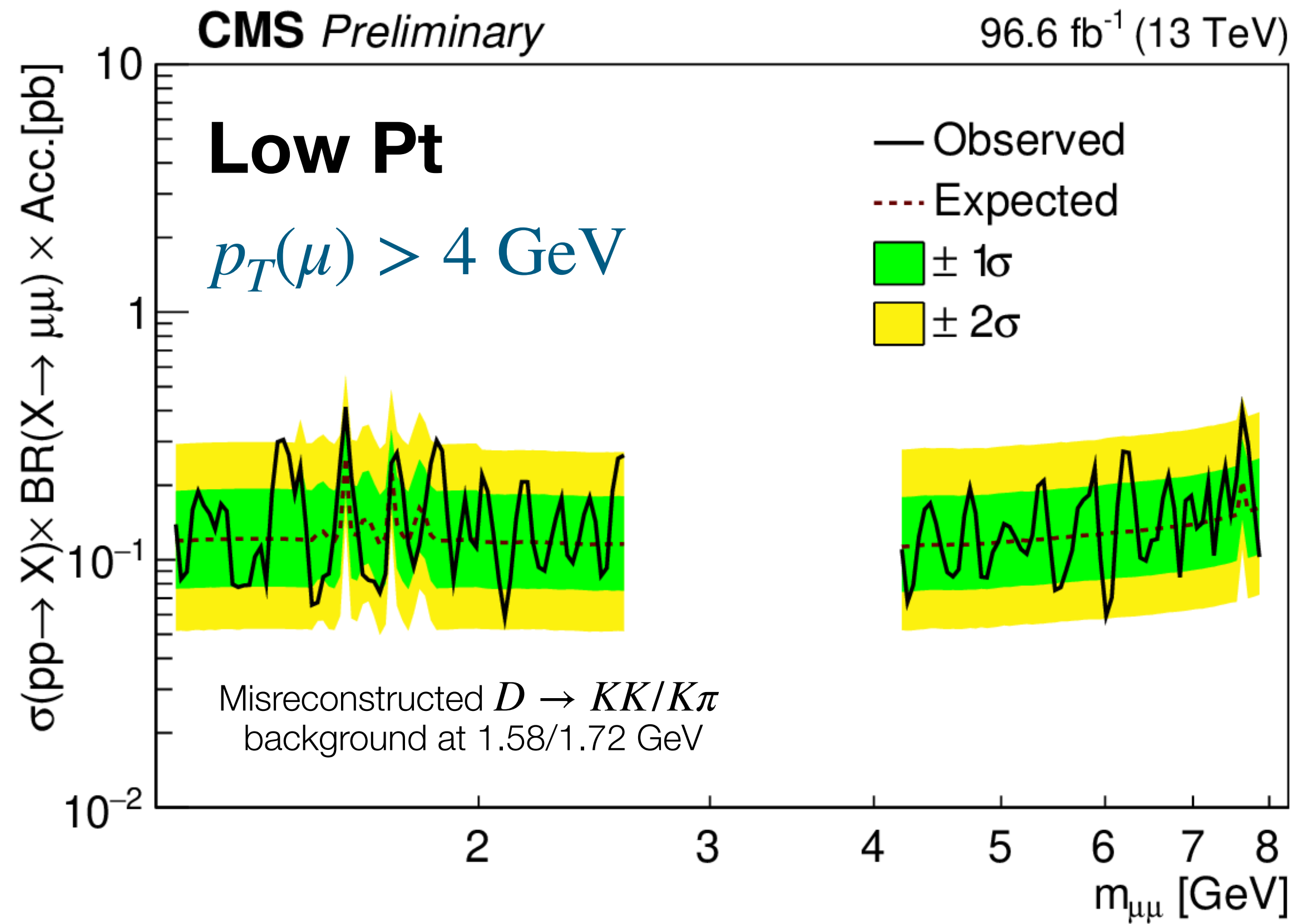
Dedicated MVAs for muon identification:

- quality of the muon tracks, the relative muon isolation and the vertex that the muons are associated with.

See [EXO-20-014](#) for the CMS long-lived dimuon analysis

Prompt low mass dimuons

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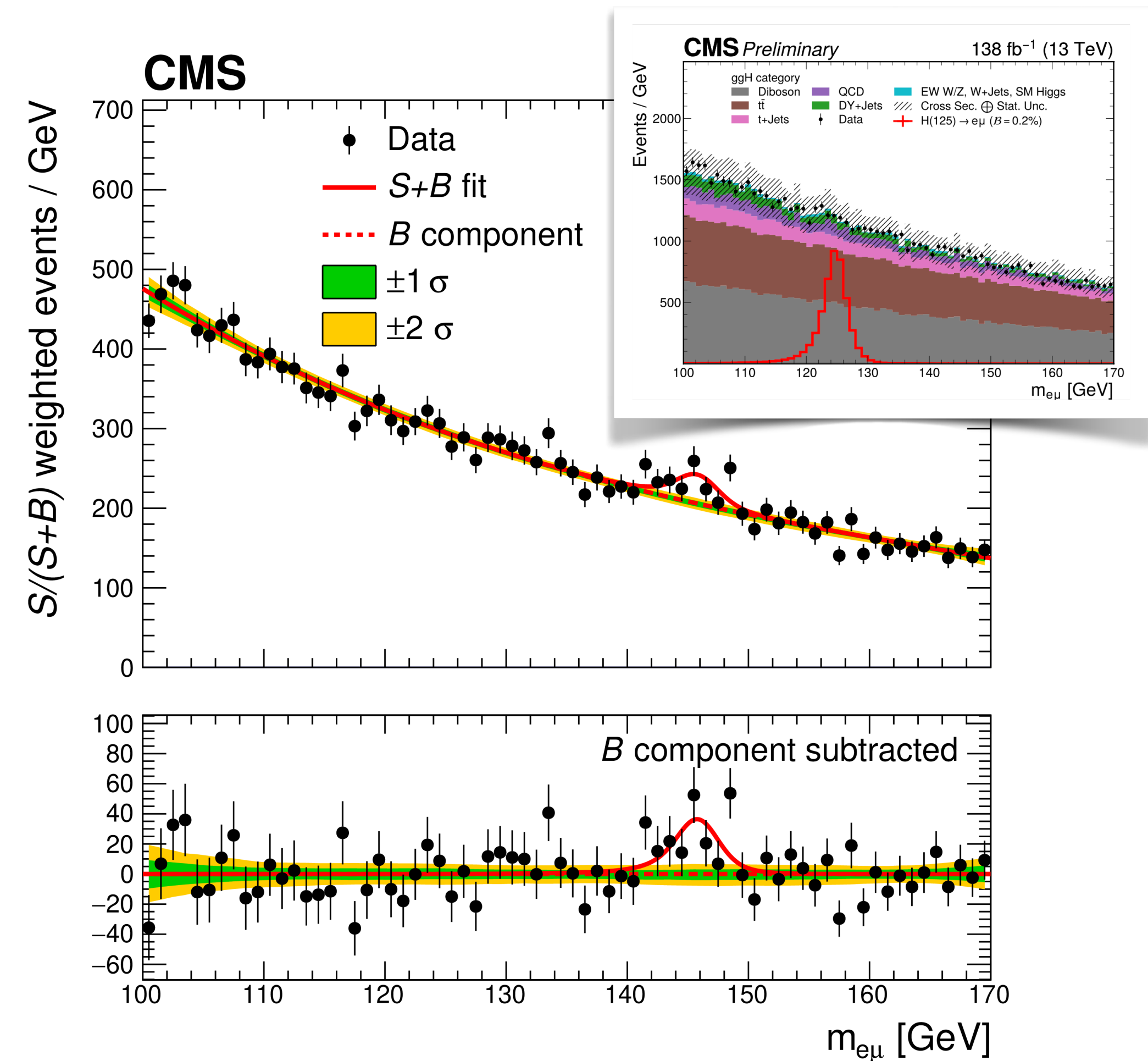
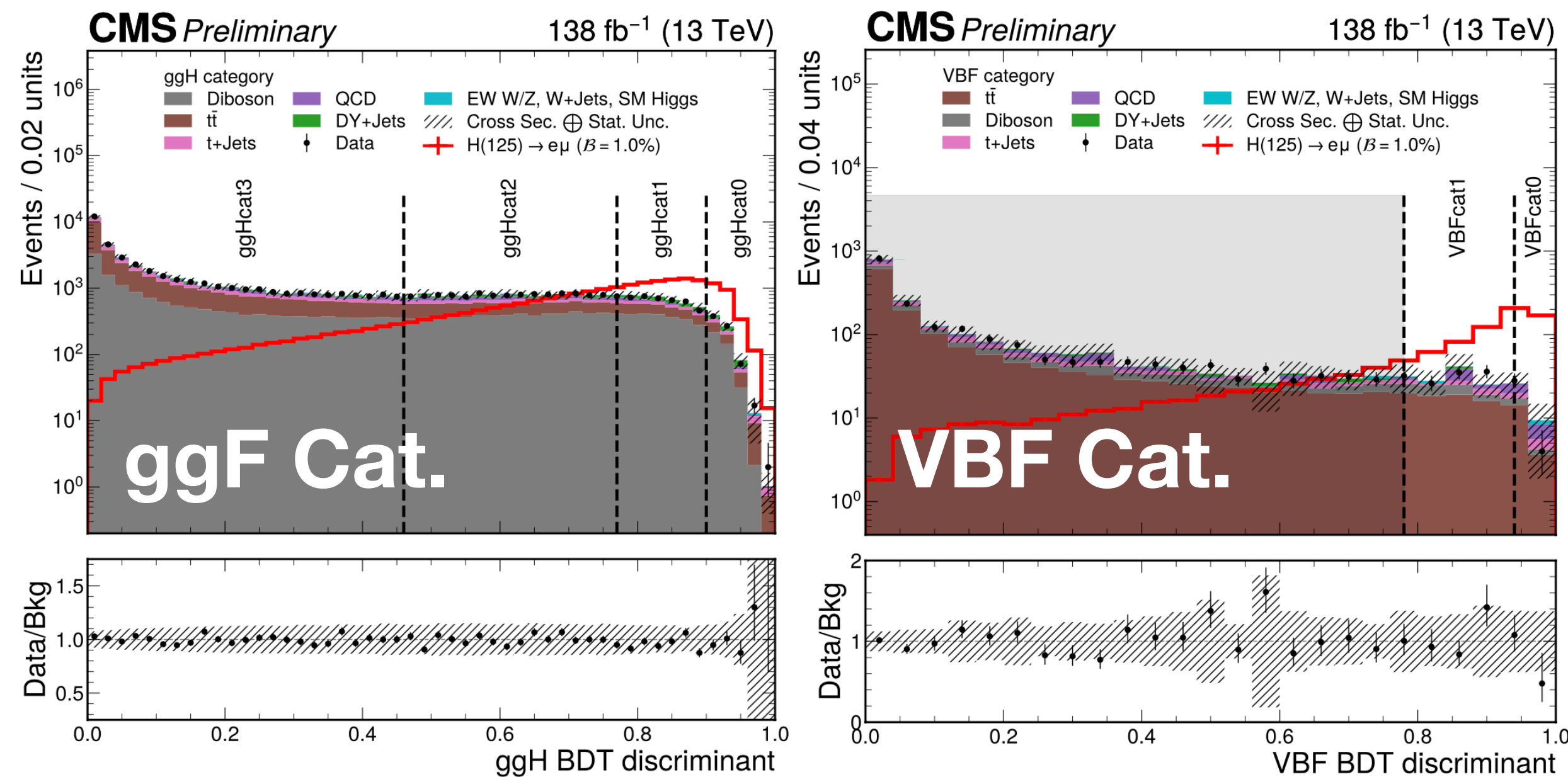
The background model fit on the mass continuum becomes unreliable over the J/ψ , ψ' resonances, hence this region is omitted.
Model dependent limits are also available.

LFV decays of a new scalar

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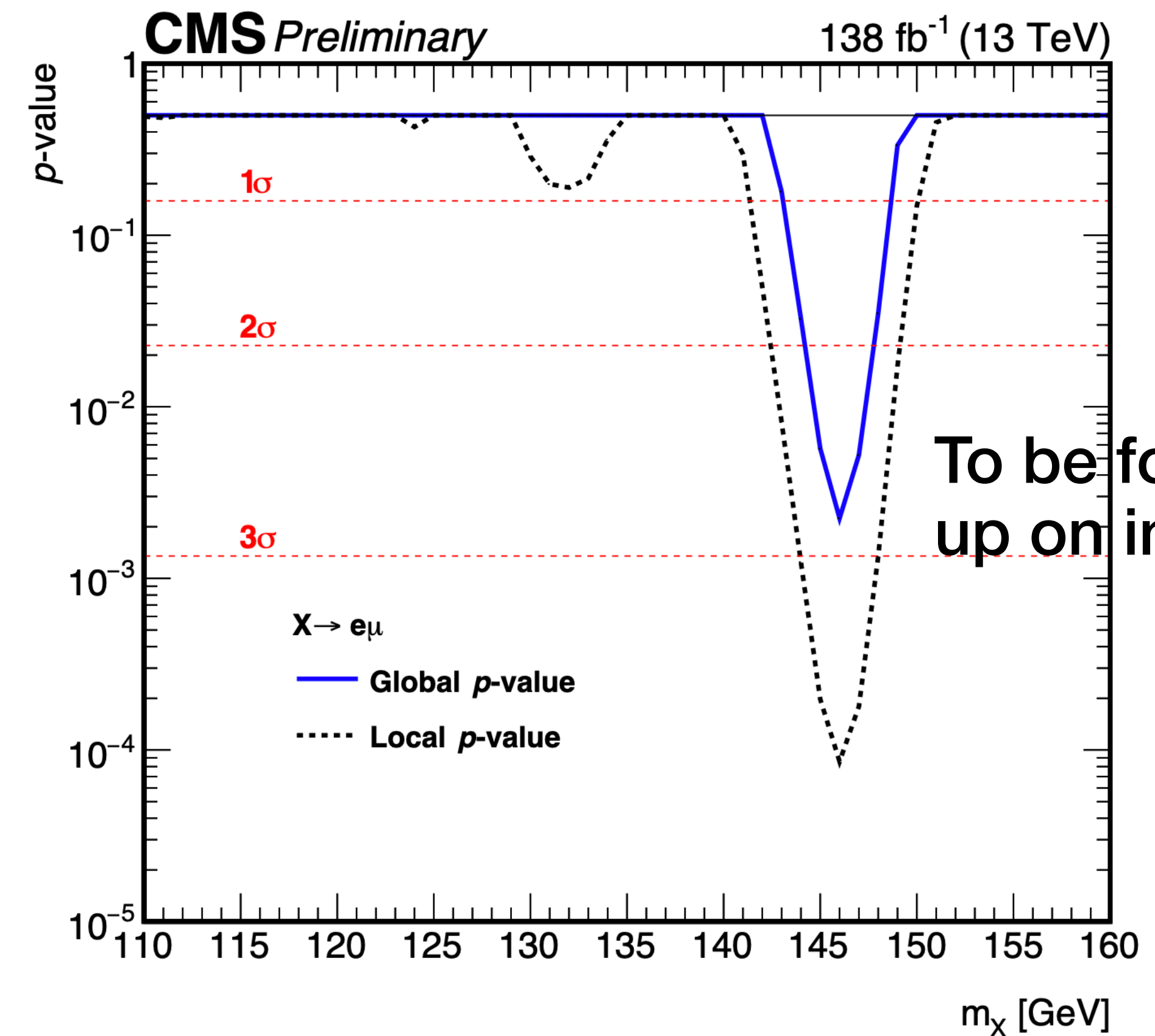
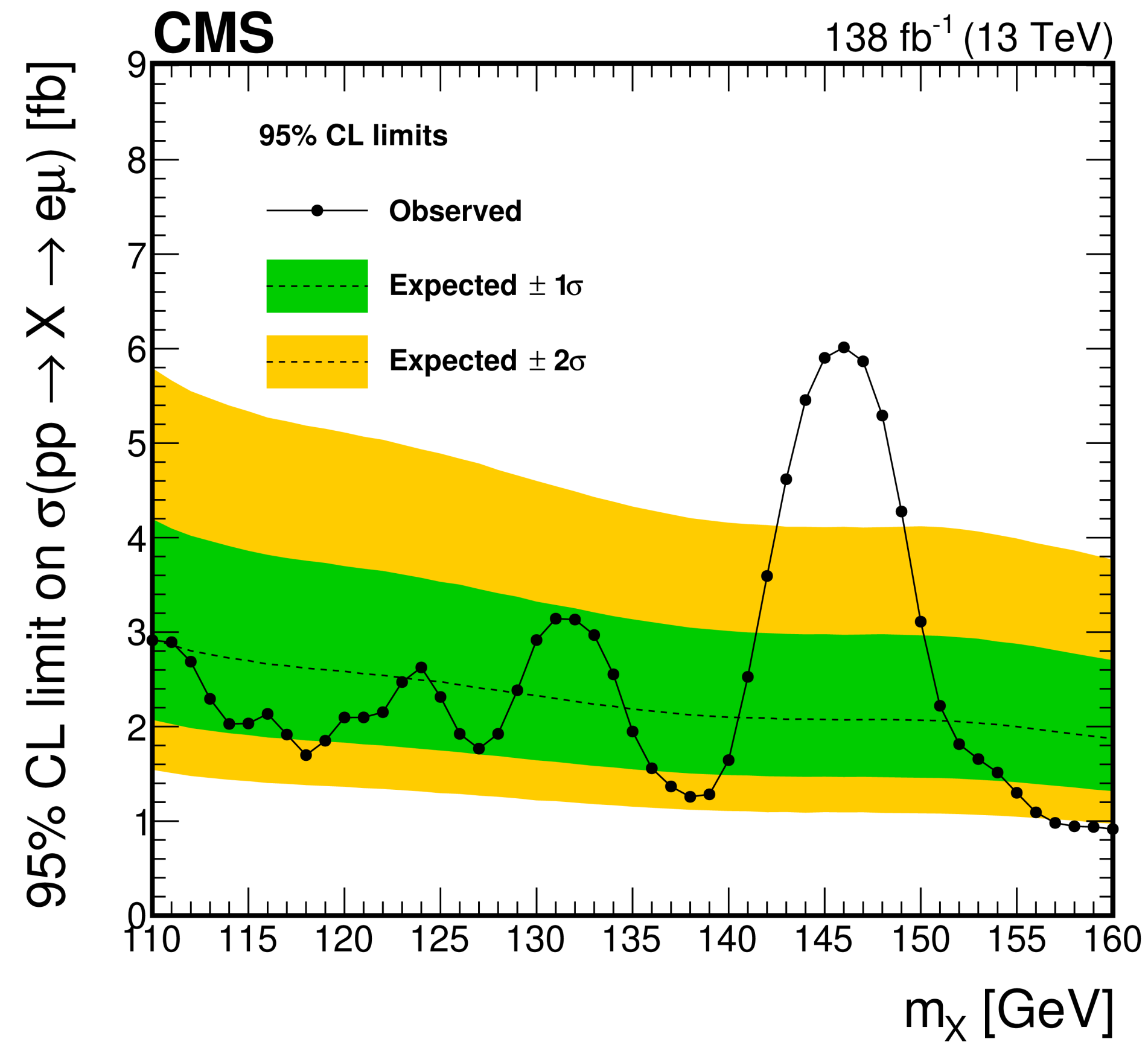
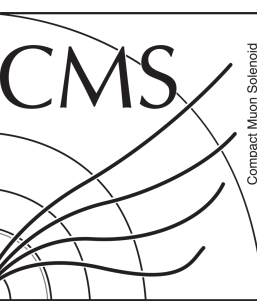
- Exotic decay: $H \rightarrow e\mu$
 - can emerge in various BSM models with more than one Higgs boson doublet, composite Higgs models, MSSM, etc.
- Targets both the ggF and VBF production modes.
 - these are targeted by 2 experimental categories, based on jets
- BDTs are used to further define subcategories in signal purity
 - MET, boost, angular variables of MET and dilepton system ($\Delta\eta$), N_j , p_T ratios, ..



Completely data driven background estimation

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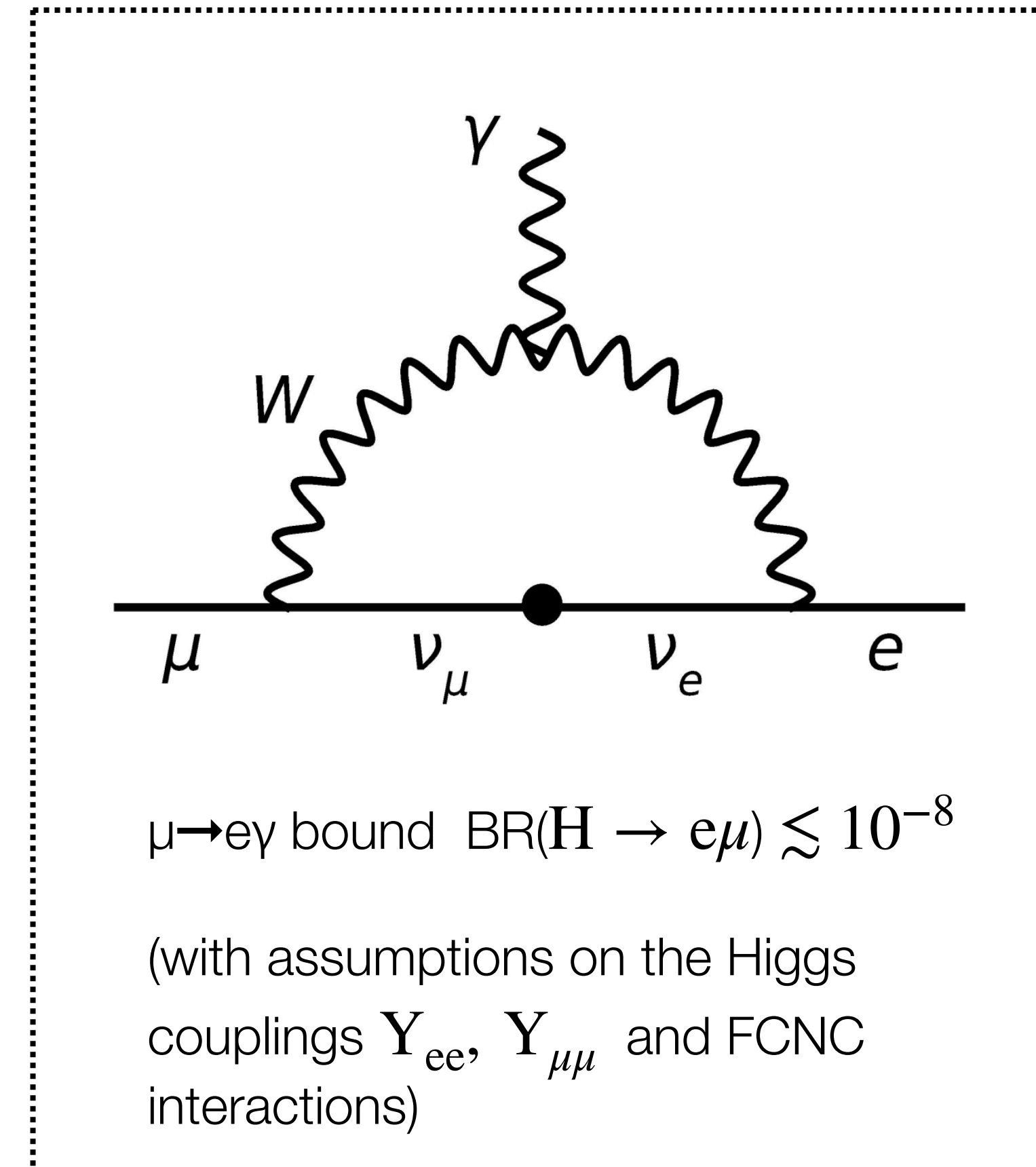
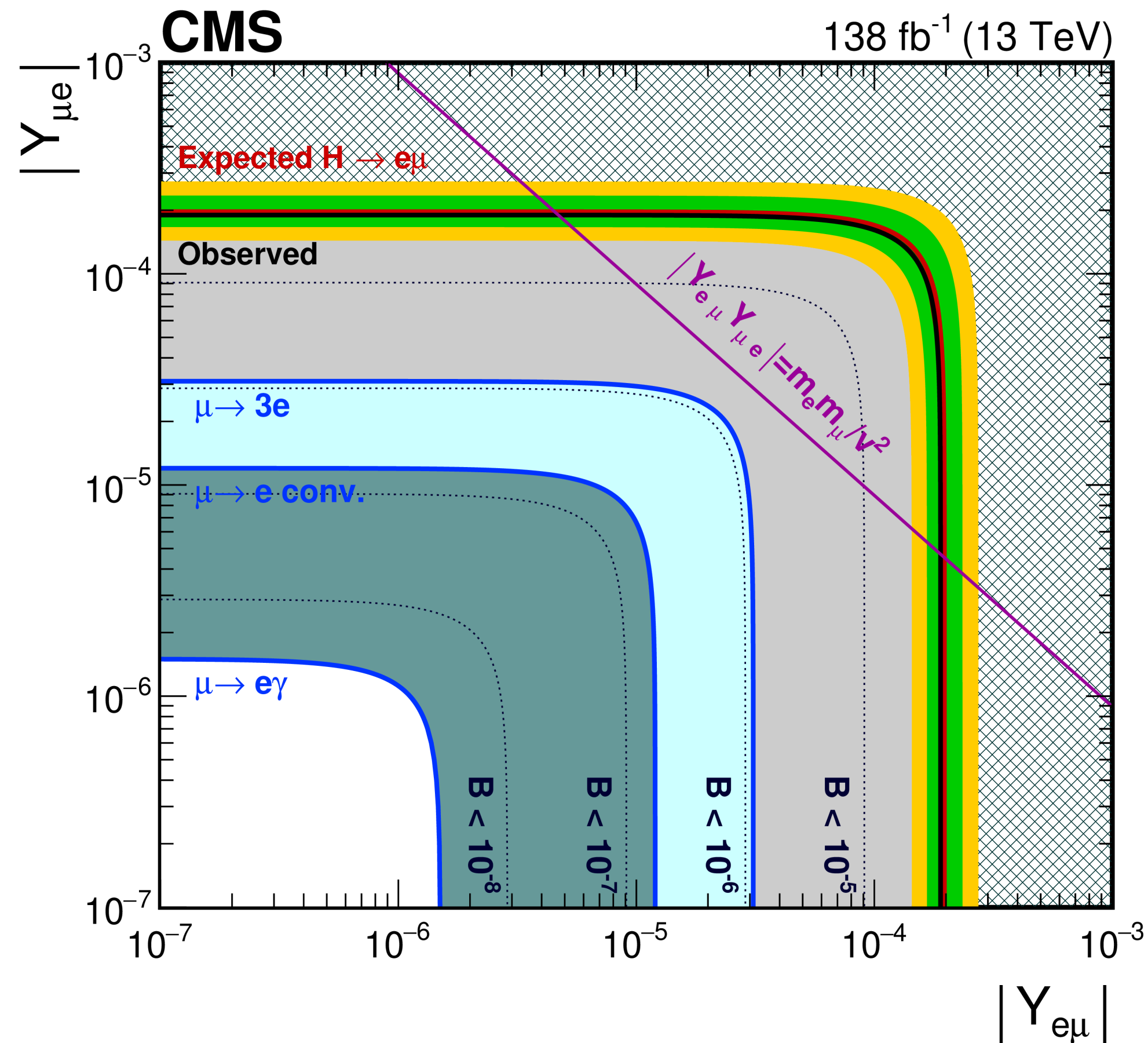


To be followed
up on in Run 3!

The first direct search for $X \rightarrow e\mu$ in this mass range.
- i.e. with m_X below twice the W boson mass.

LFV decays of H(125)

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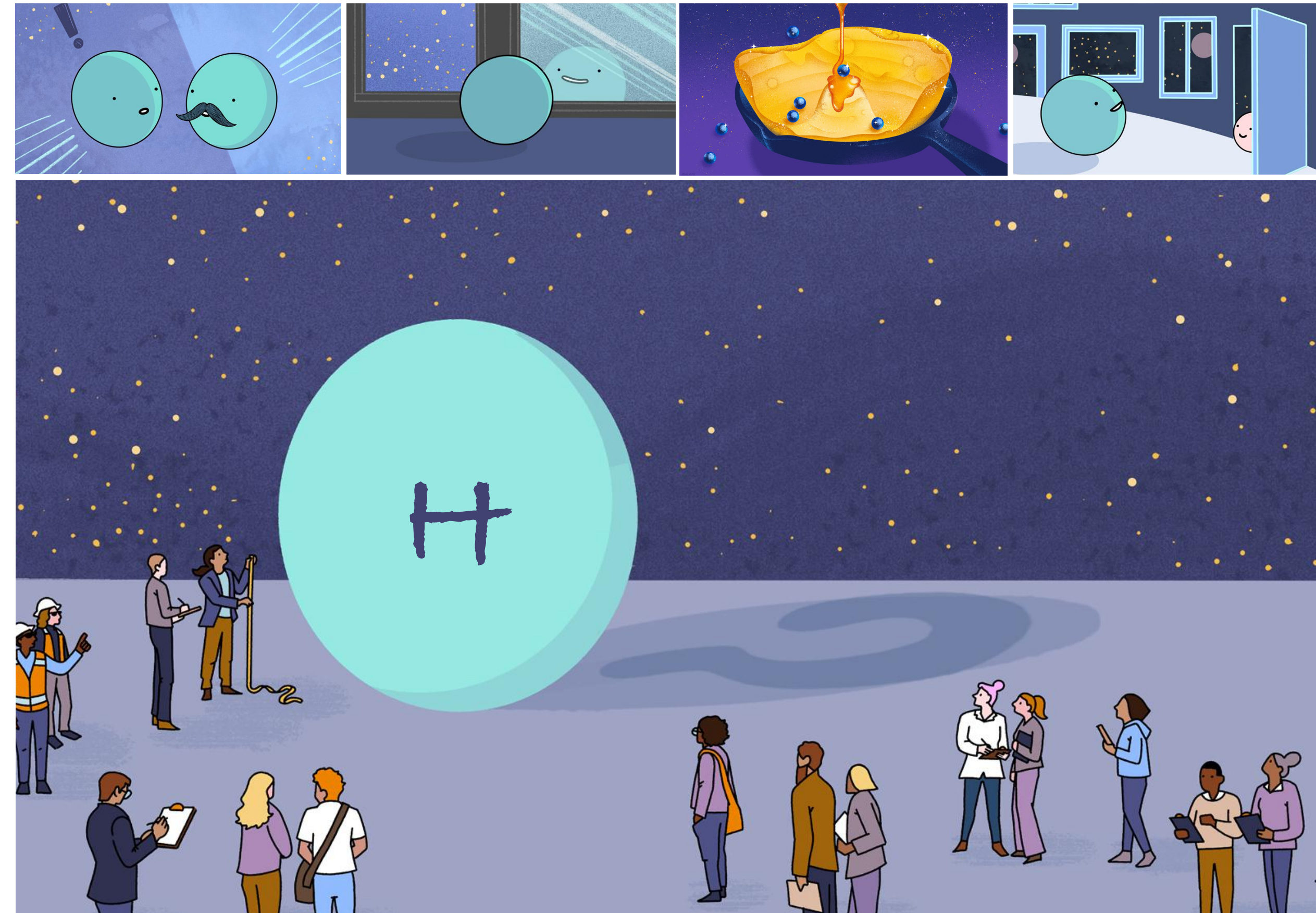


Sets the **most stringent “direct” limit** on the LFV decay of SM Higgs:
 $\text{BR}(\text{H} \rightarrow e\mu) < 4.4 \cdot 10^{-5}$ at 95% CL

See [CMS-HIG-20-009](#)
 for direct bounds on
 $\text{BR}(\text{H} \rightarrow e\tau/\mu\tau)$

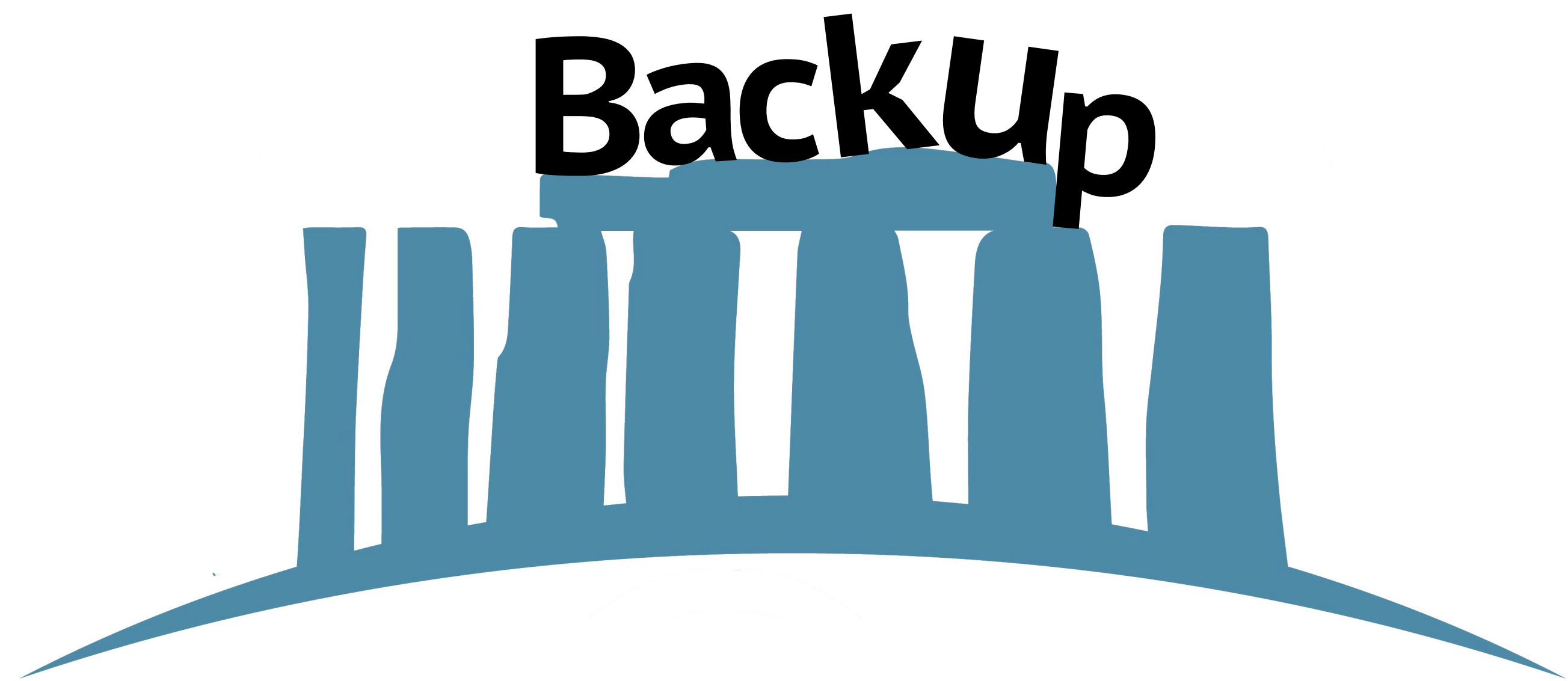
Conclusions

- Extensive BSM scalar sector program at CMS / LHC
 - $W\phi/Z\phi/t\bar{t}\phi \rightarrow \ell\ell$
 - $h/H \rightarrow aa$
 - $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$
 - $h/H \rightarrow e\mu$
 - $X \rightarrow VV$
 - $X \rightarrow HH$
 - $H^+ \rightarrow H^0/hW, tb, \dots$
 - ...
- Focused on the recent searches from the CMS experiment
- Run3 is underway, at 13.6 TeV
 - expected to more than double the Run2 luminosity
 - BSM scalar sector is a **natural target** as the LHC dataset grows
 - Relatively low production rate
 - Next-to-minimal models significantly change detector phenomenology
 - Variety of final states from standard to very exotic/soft/collimated..
- *Stay tuned!*



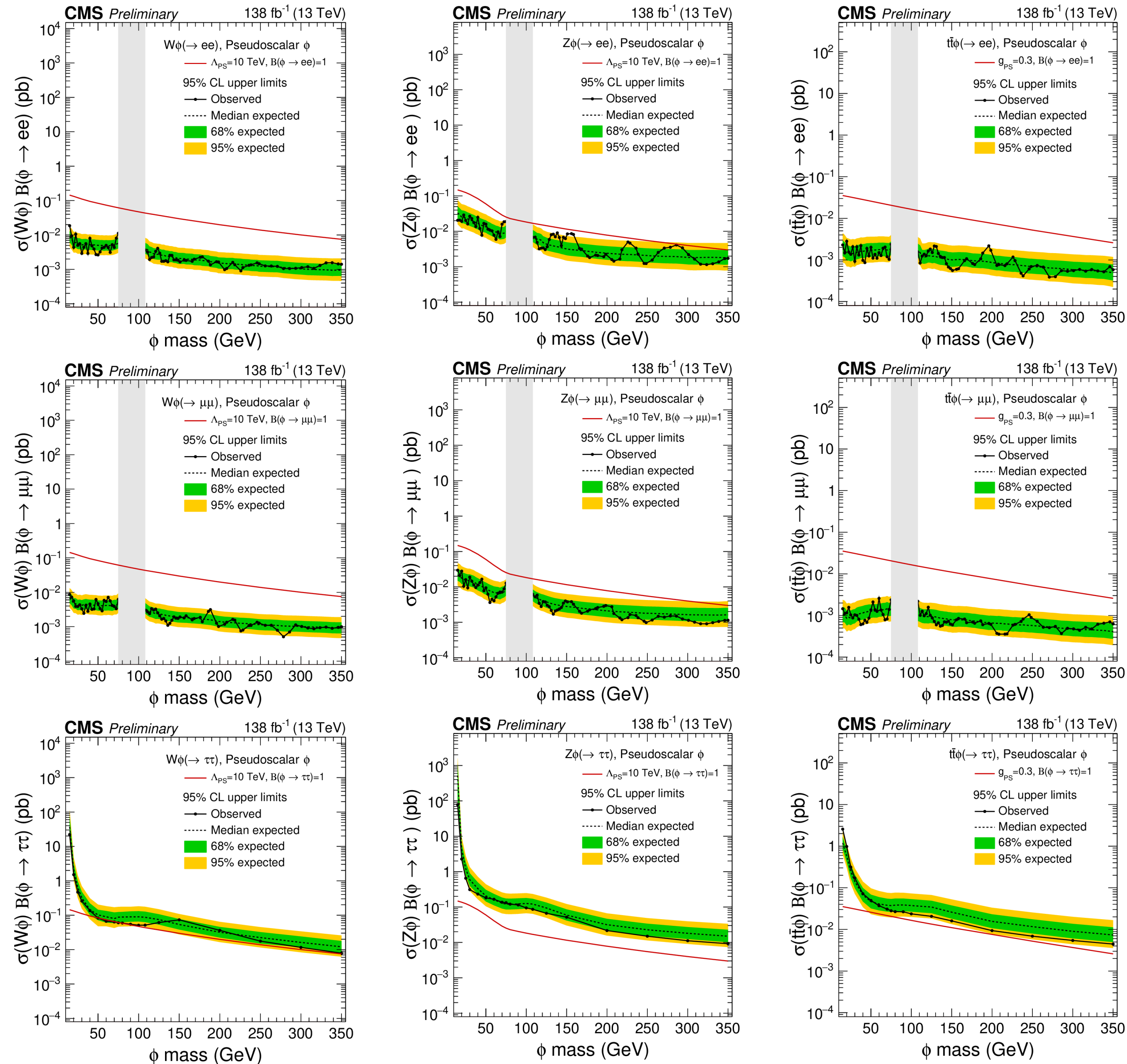
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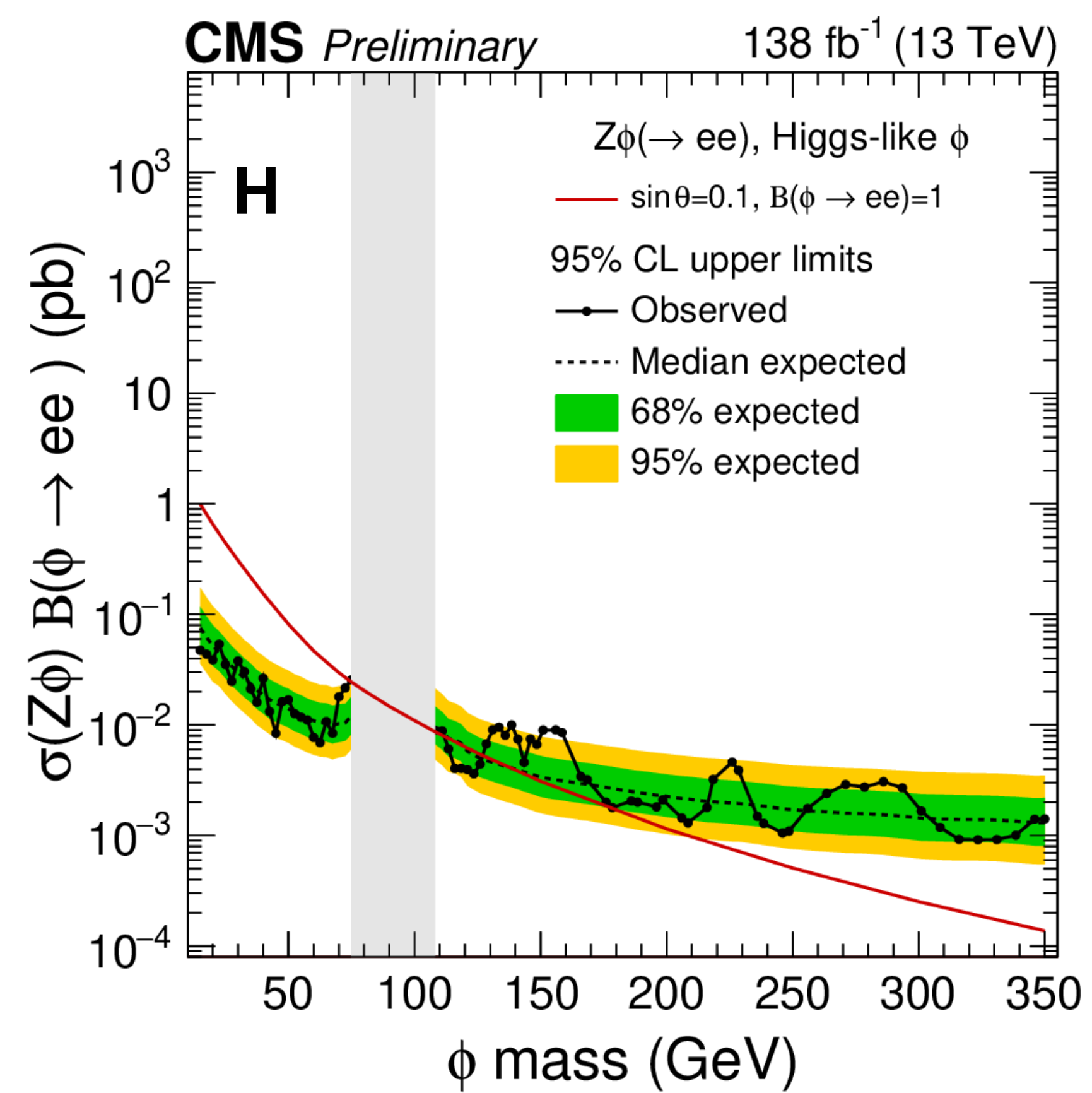
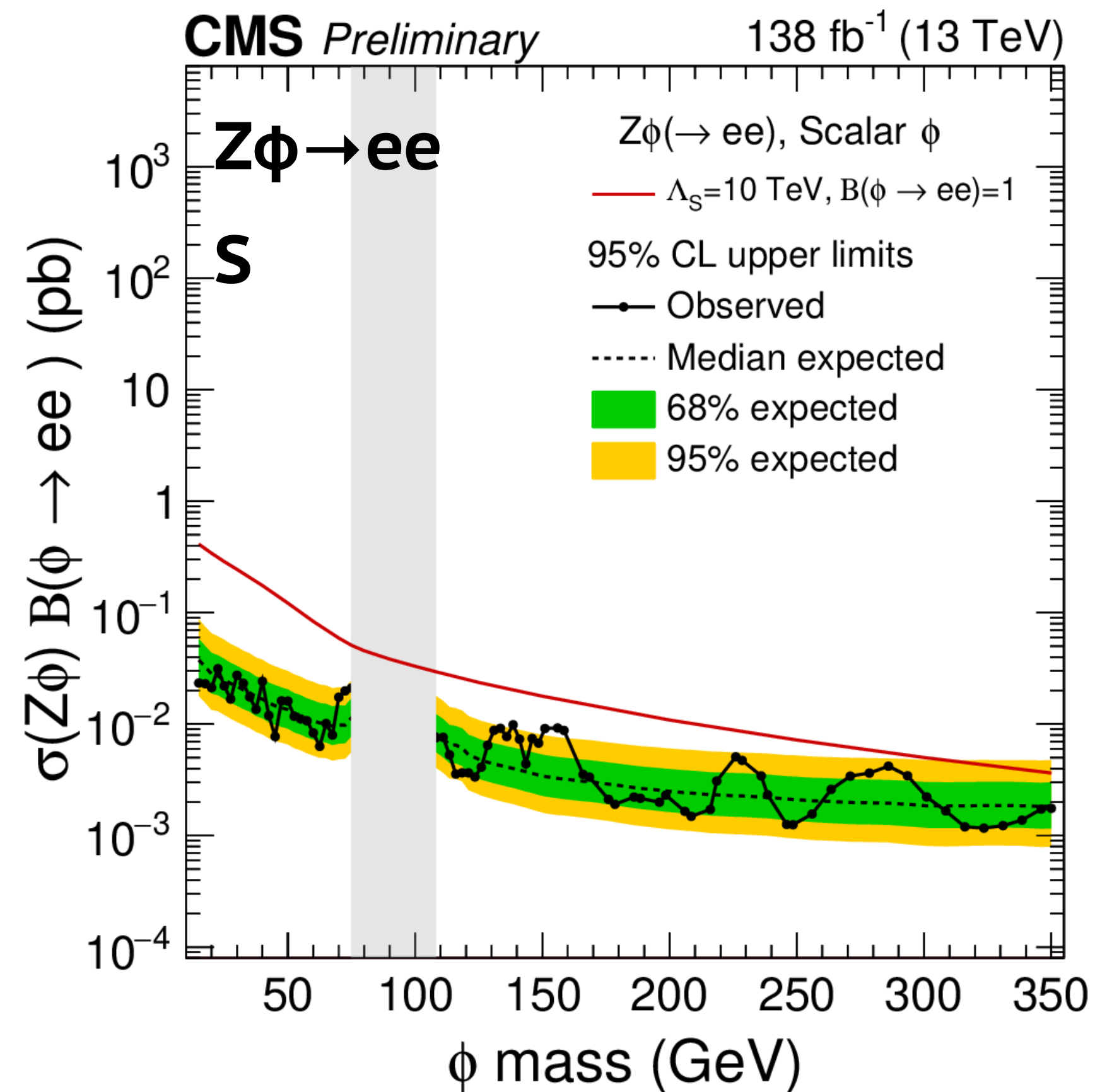
Search for $X\phi \rightarrow \ell\ell$ (all PS results)

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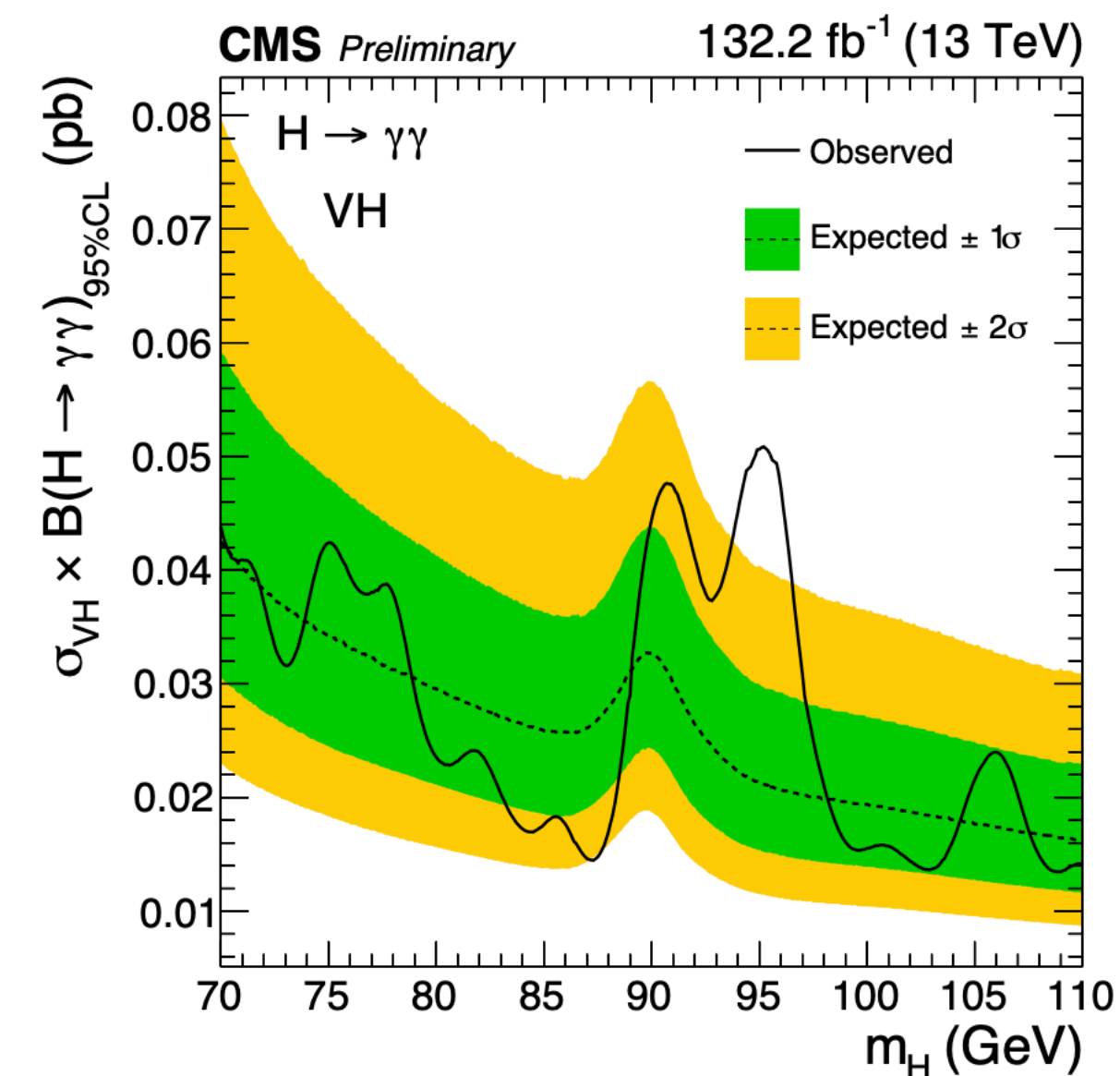
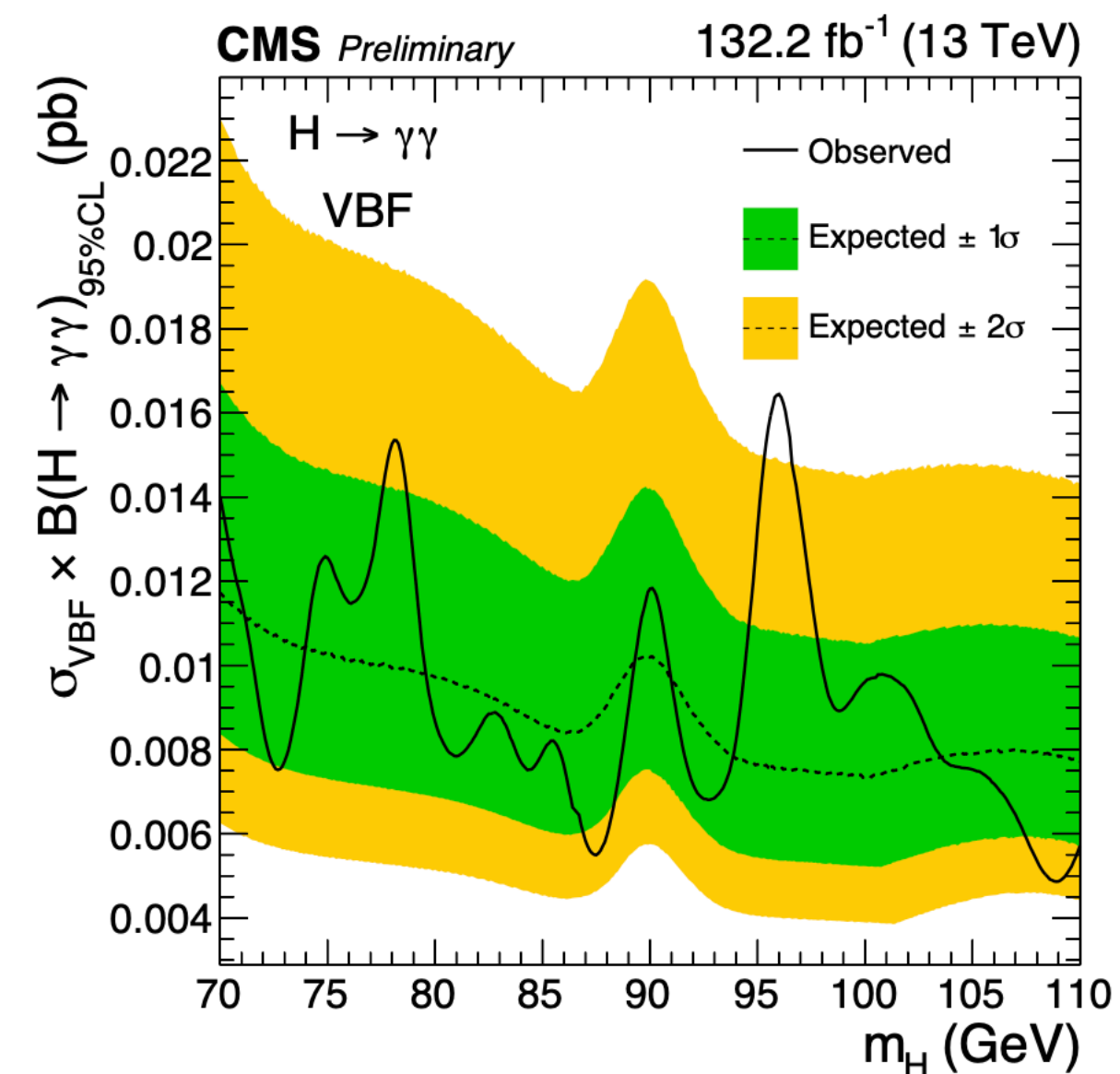
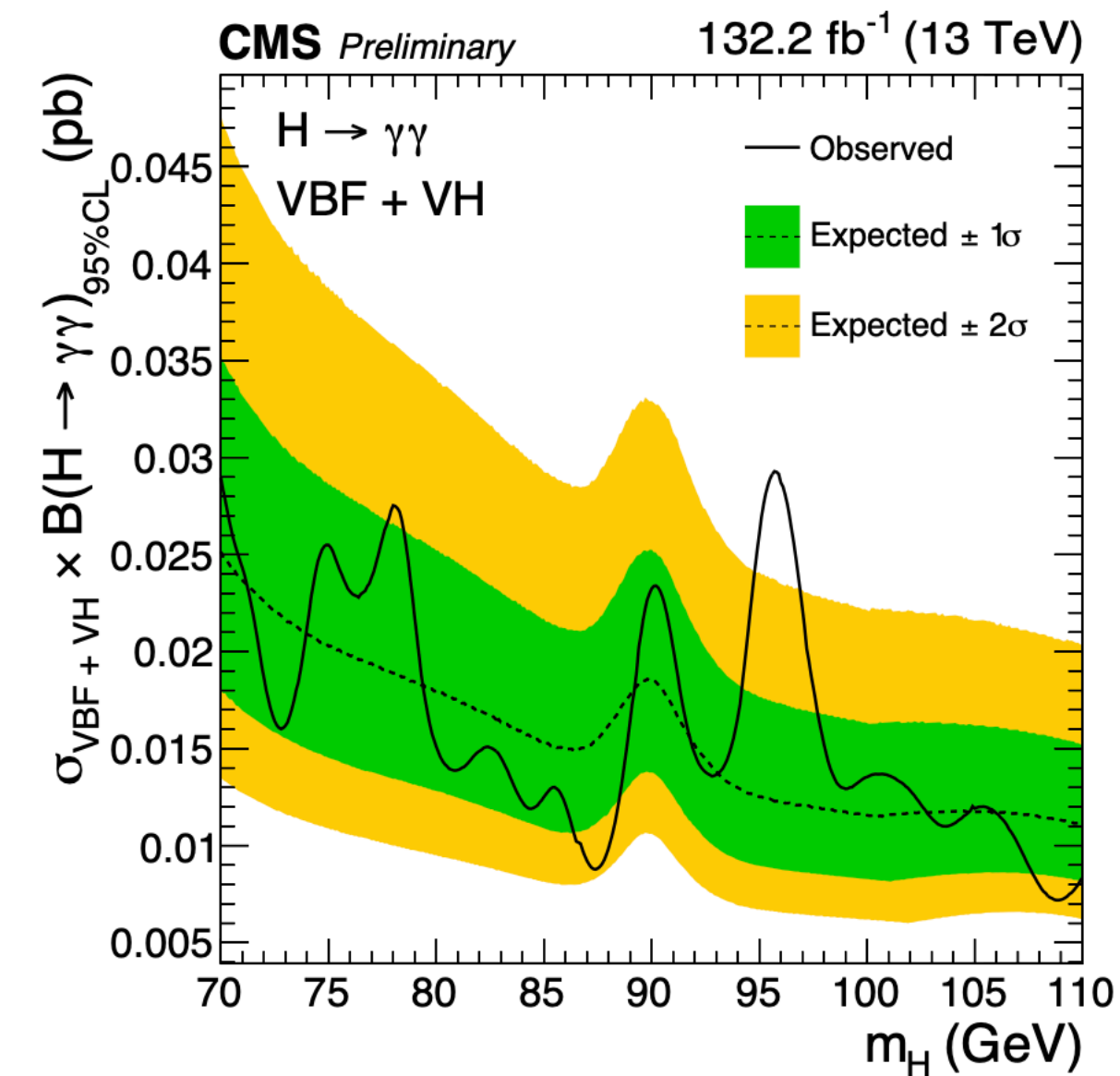
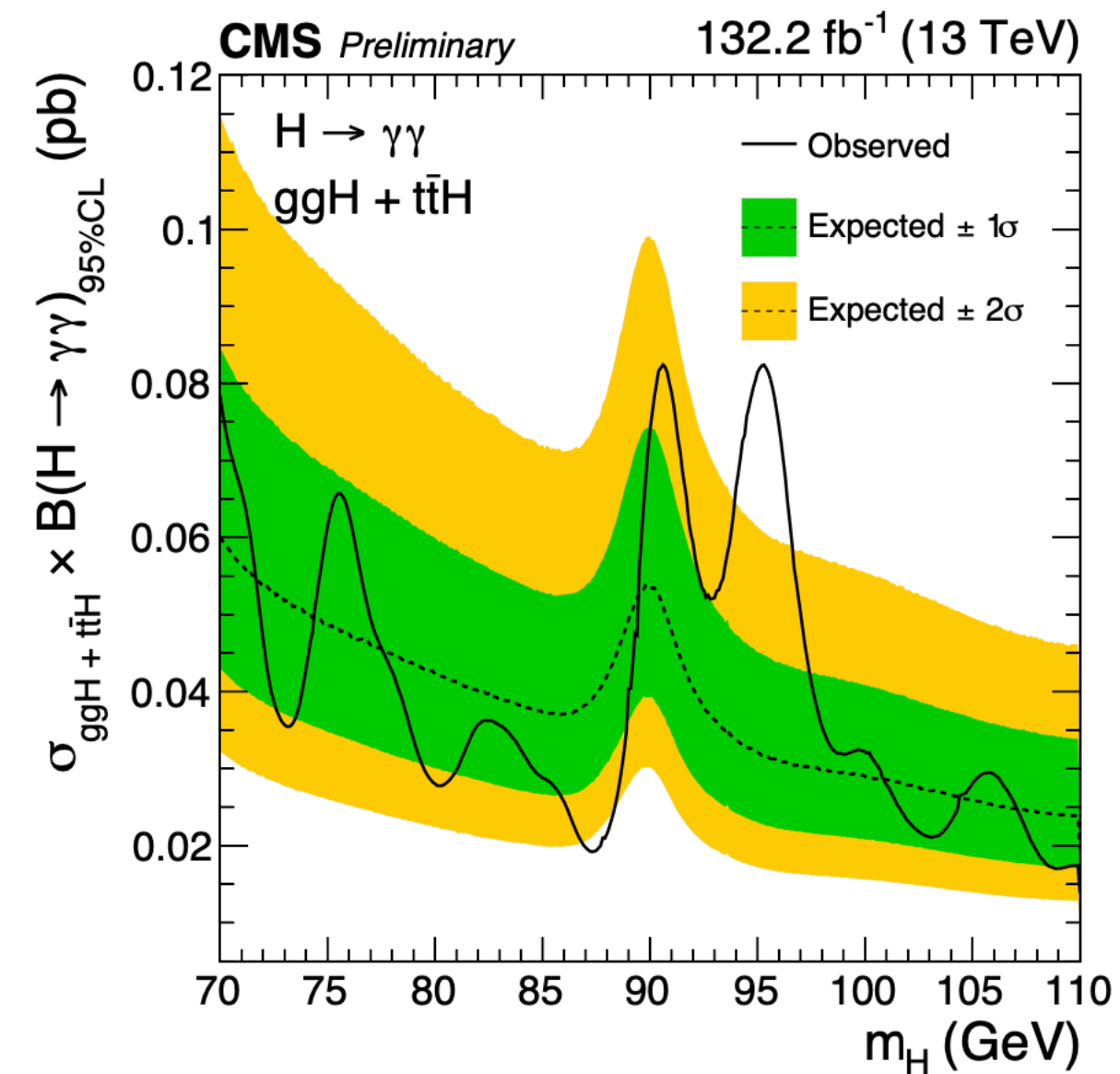
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3-body decays of Z are more significant in the Higgs-like coupling

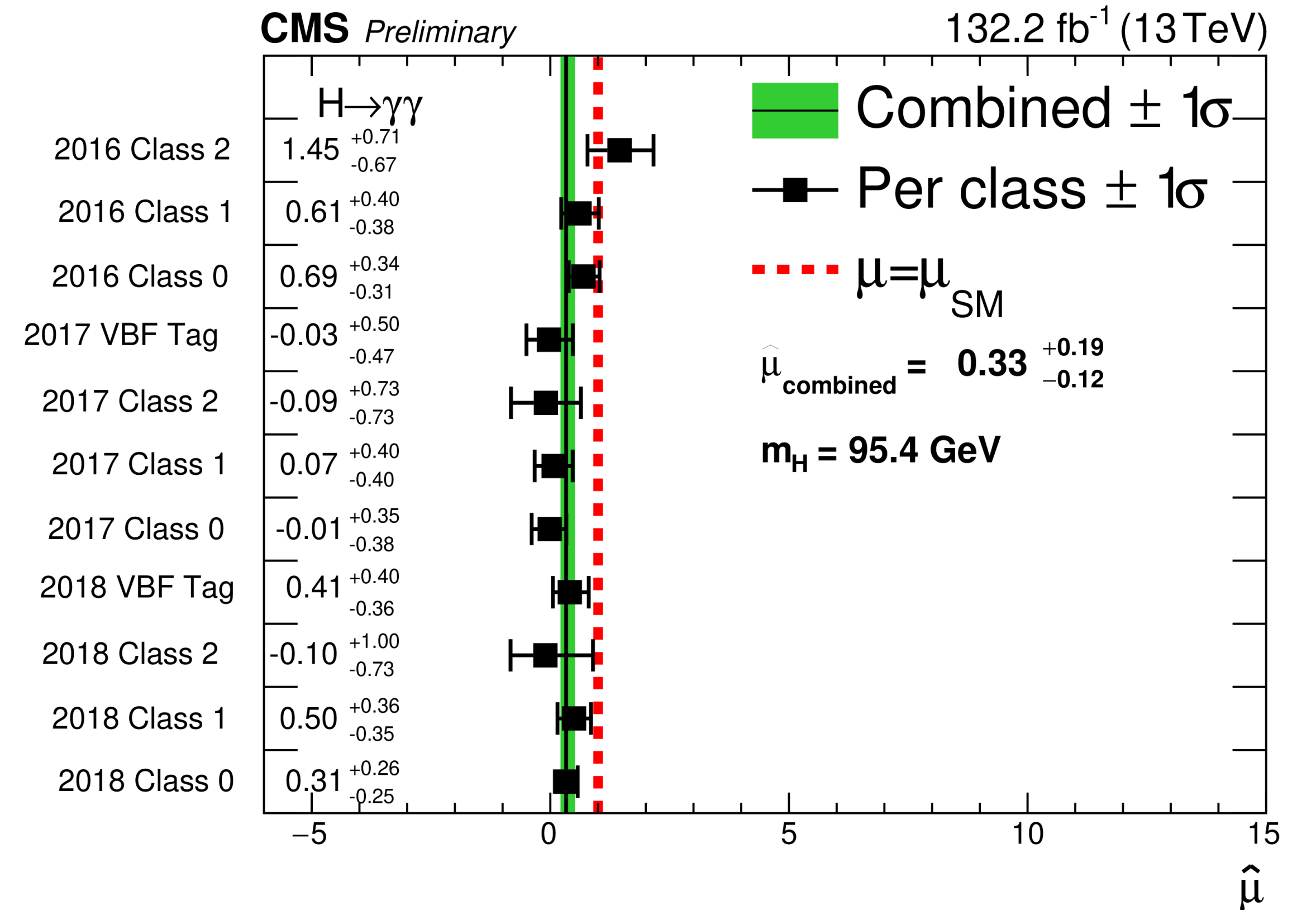
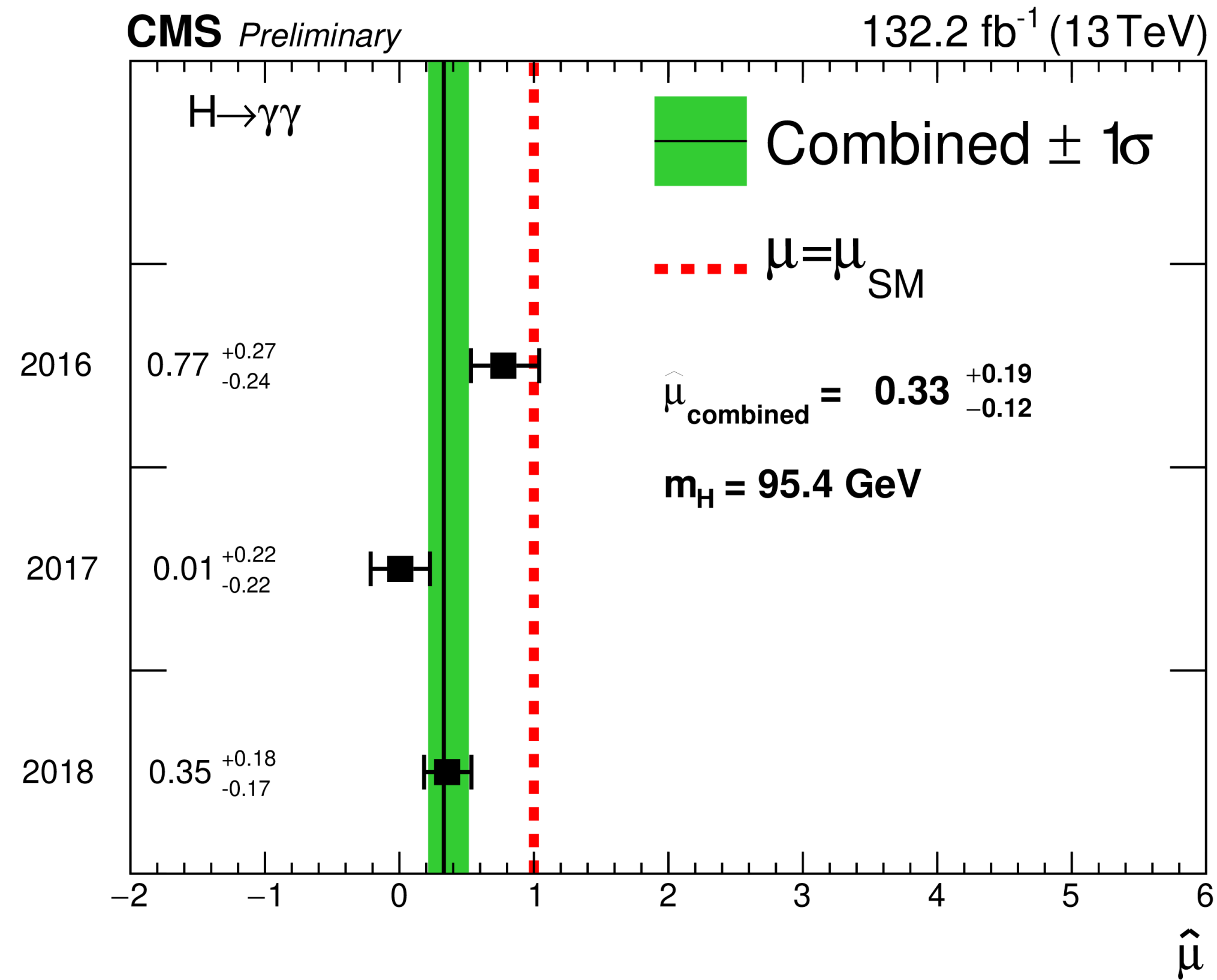
Light Higgs to diphotons

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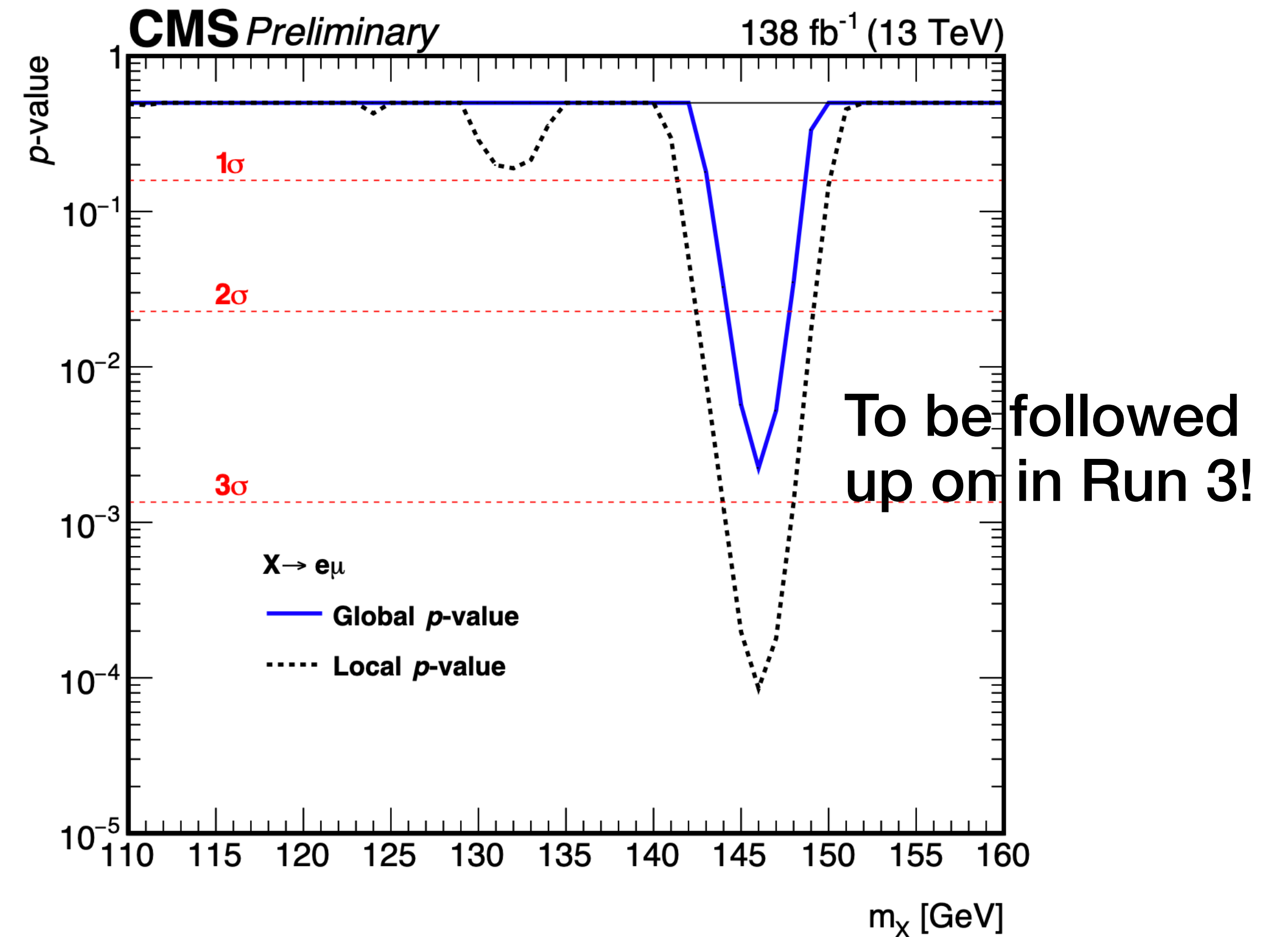
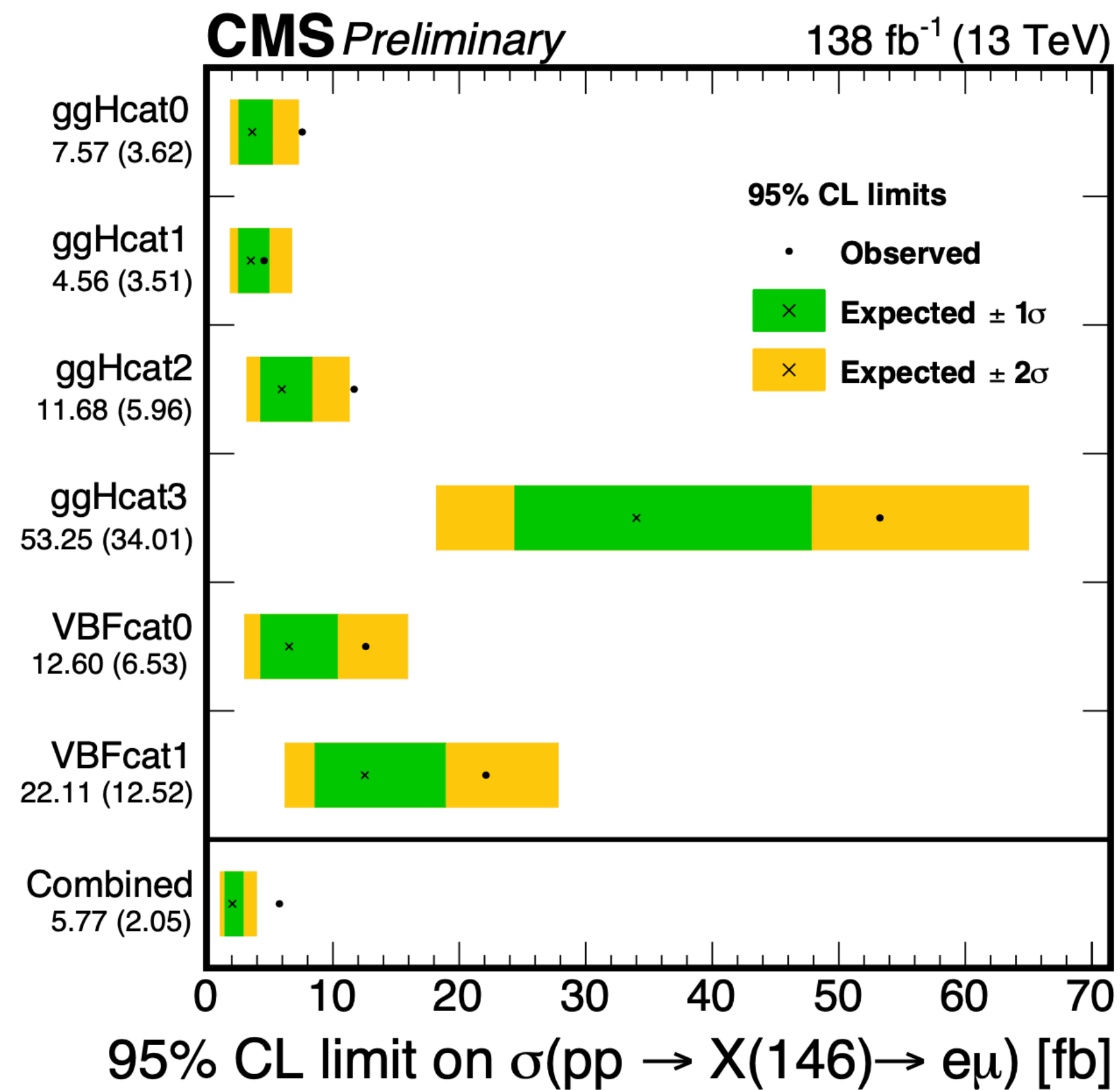
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LFV decays of a new scalar

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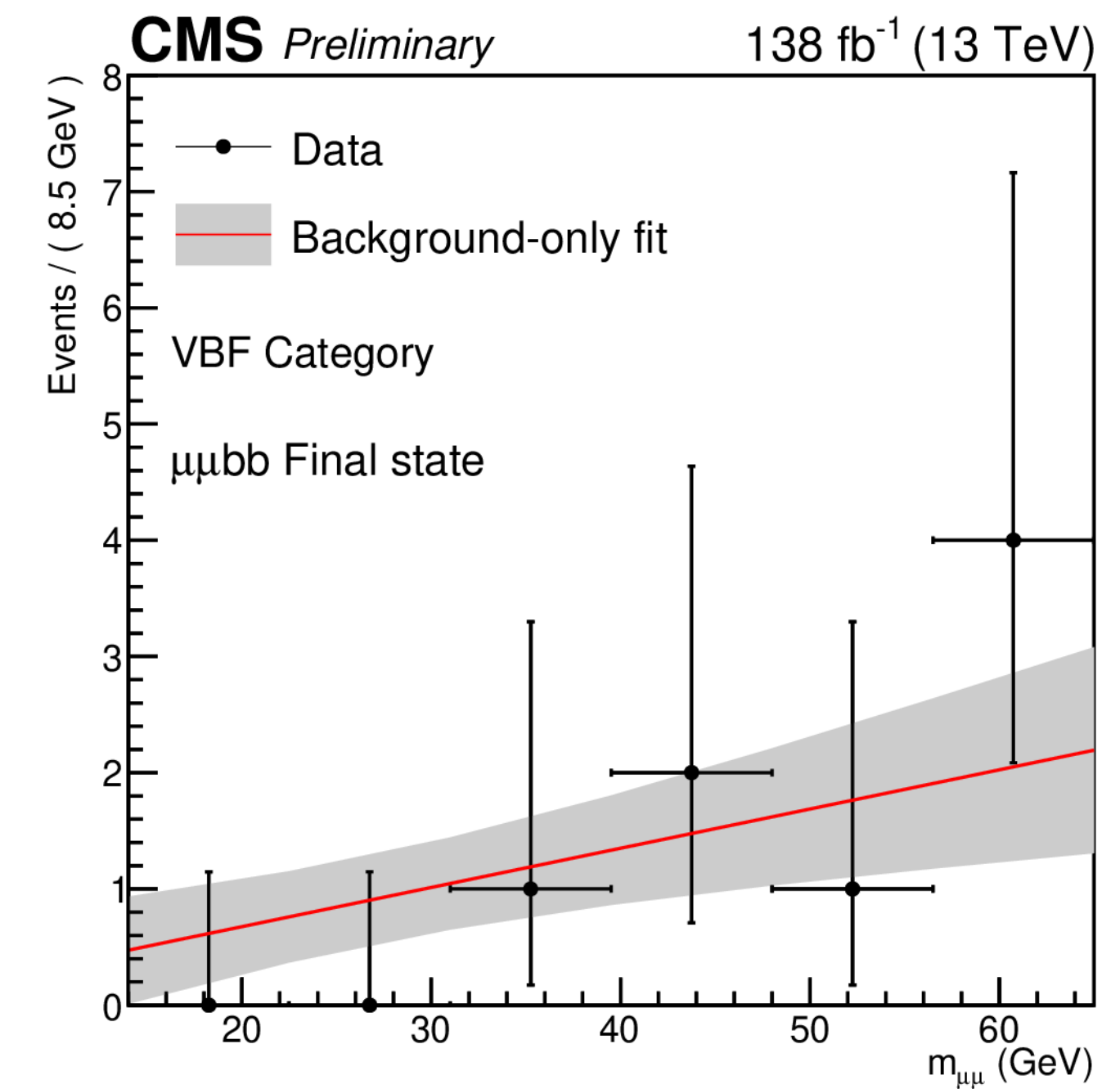
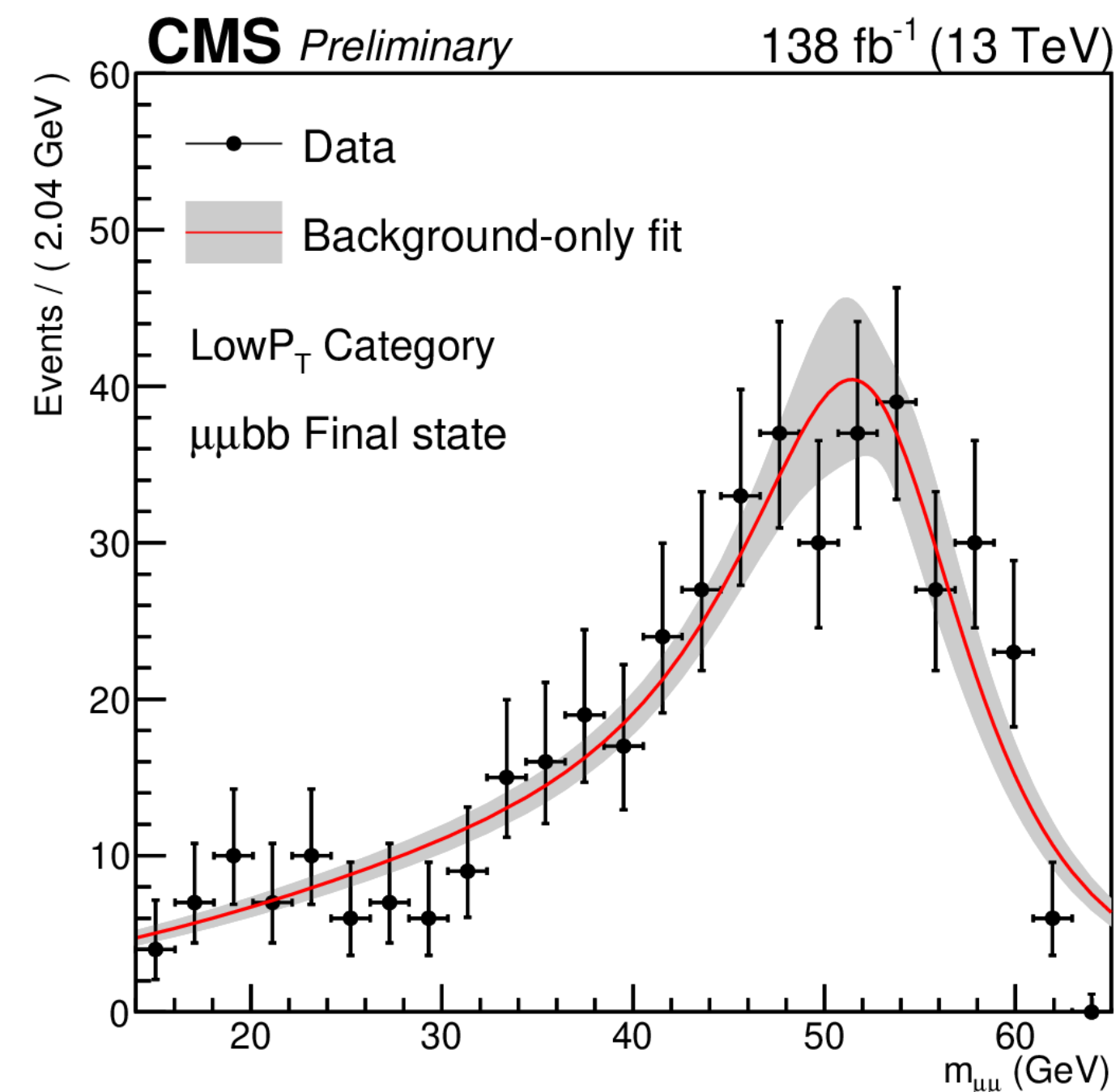
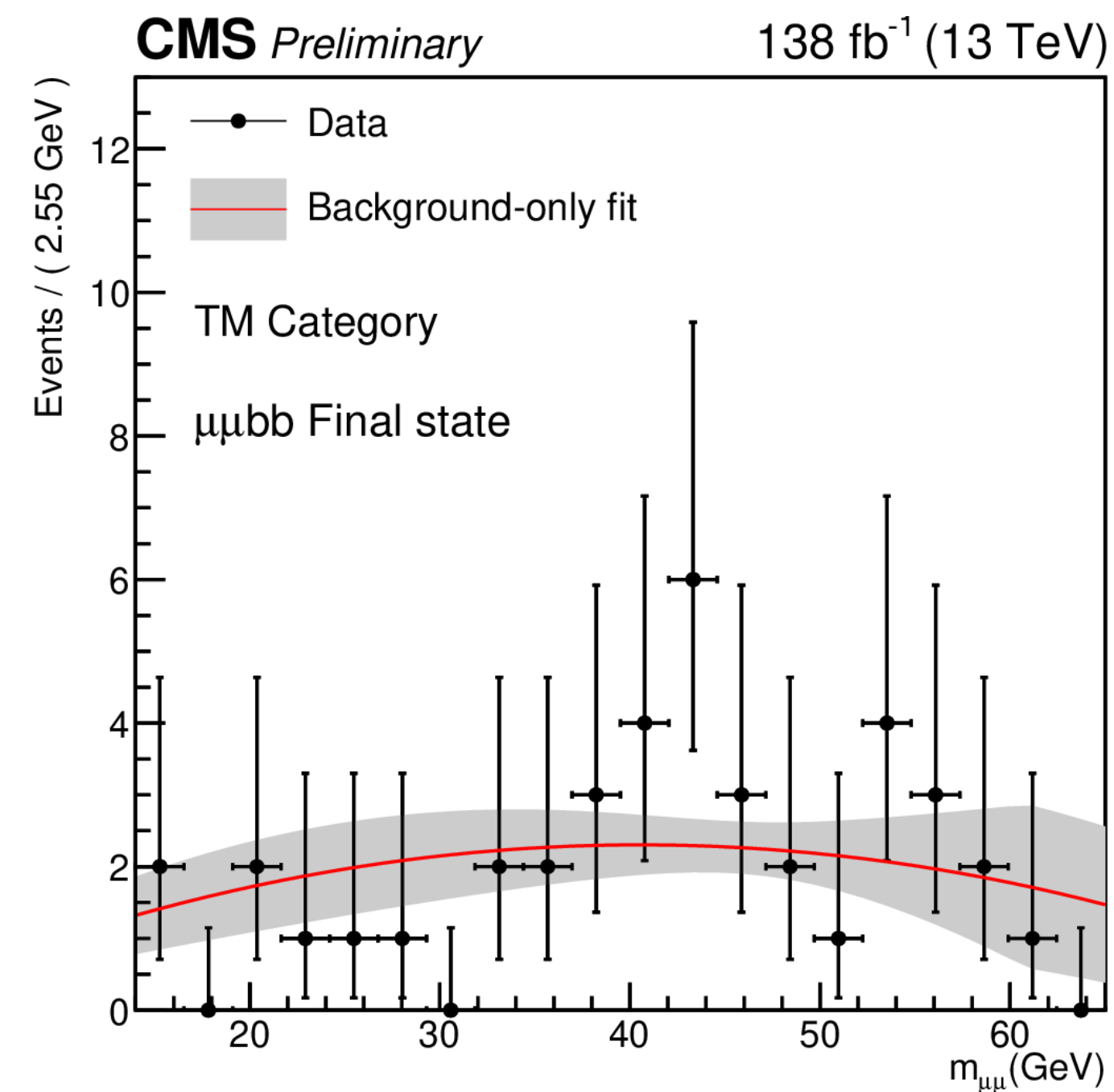


Relatively small excesses in multiple categories

$H \rightarrow aa \rightarrow \mu\mu bb$

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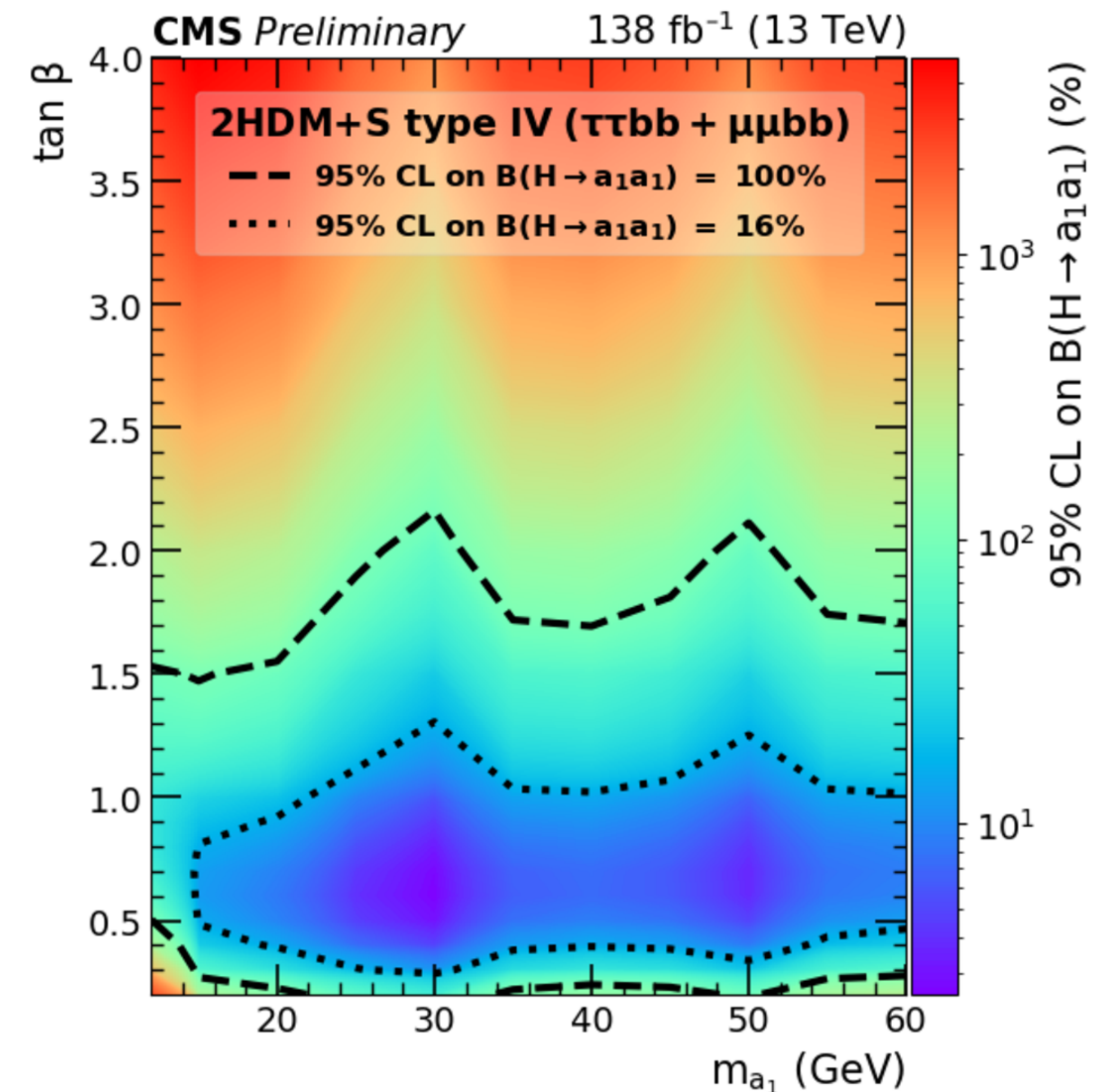
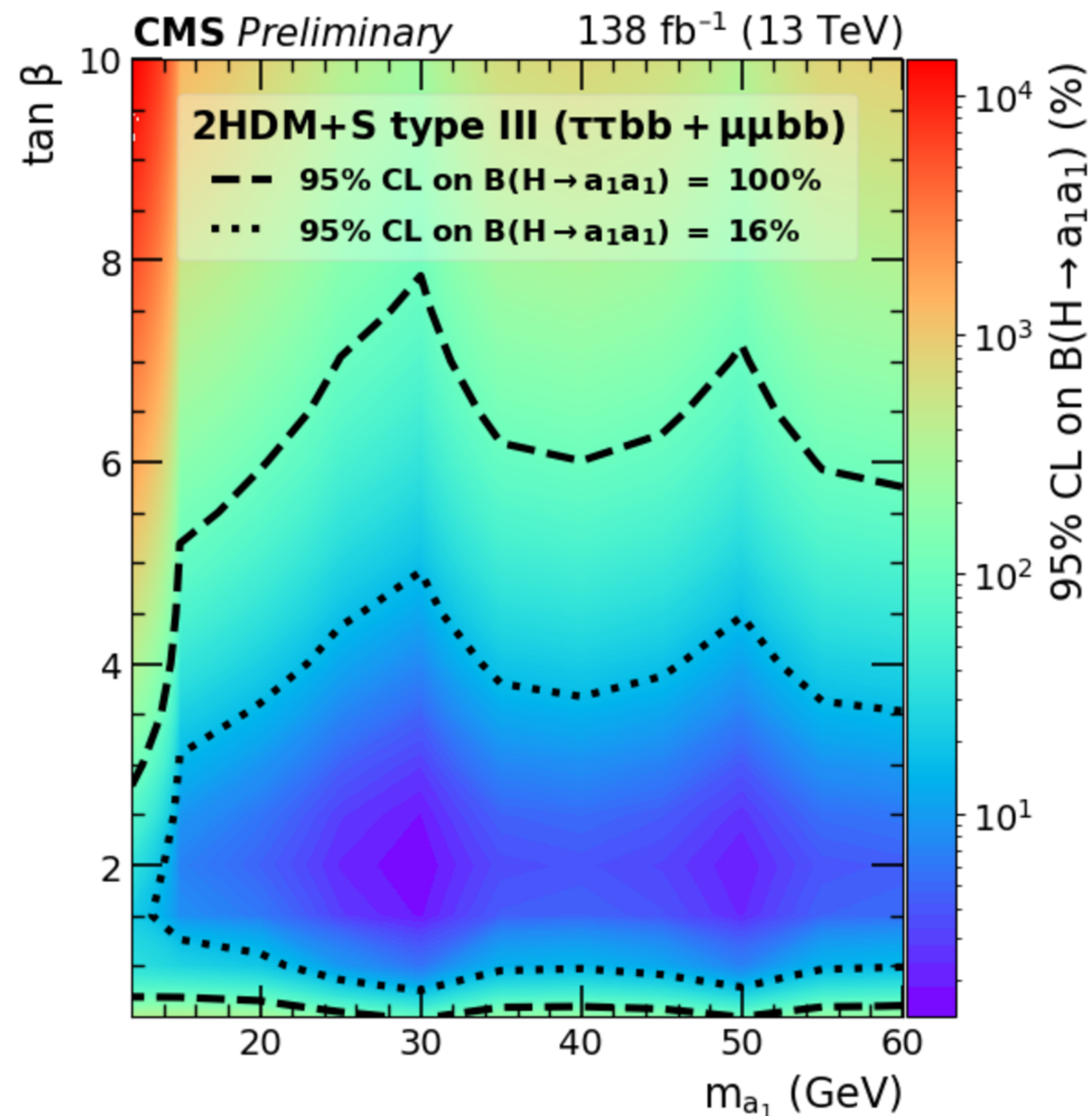


Unbinned maximum likelihood fit is performed on the dimuon mass in each of the categories

Light pseudoscalars: $H \rightarrow aa$

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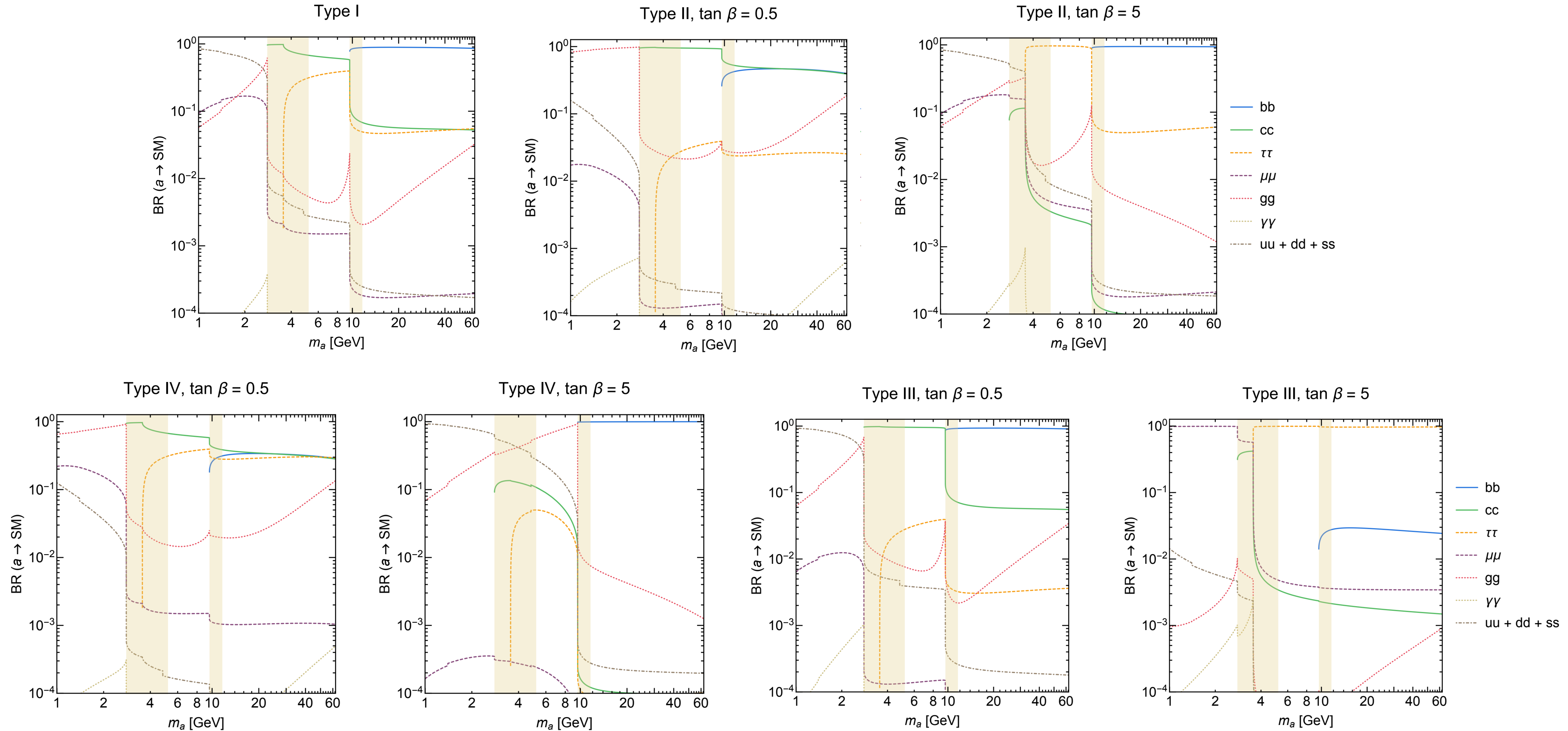
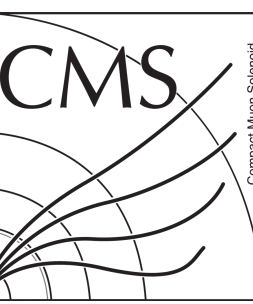


16% is the approx.
upper limit on
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Model dependent interpretations in 2HDM+S type III and IV scenarios.

H2DM Pseudoscalar BRs

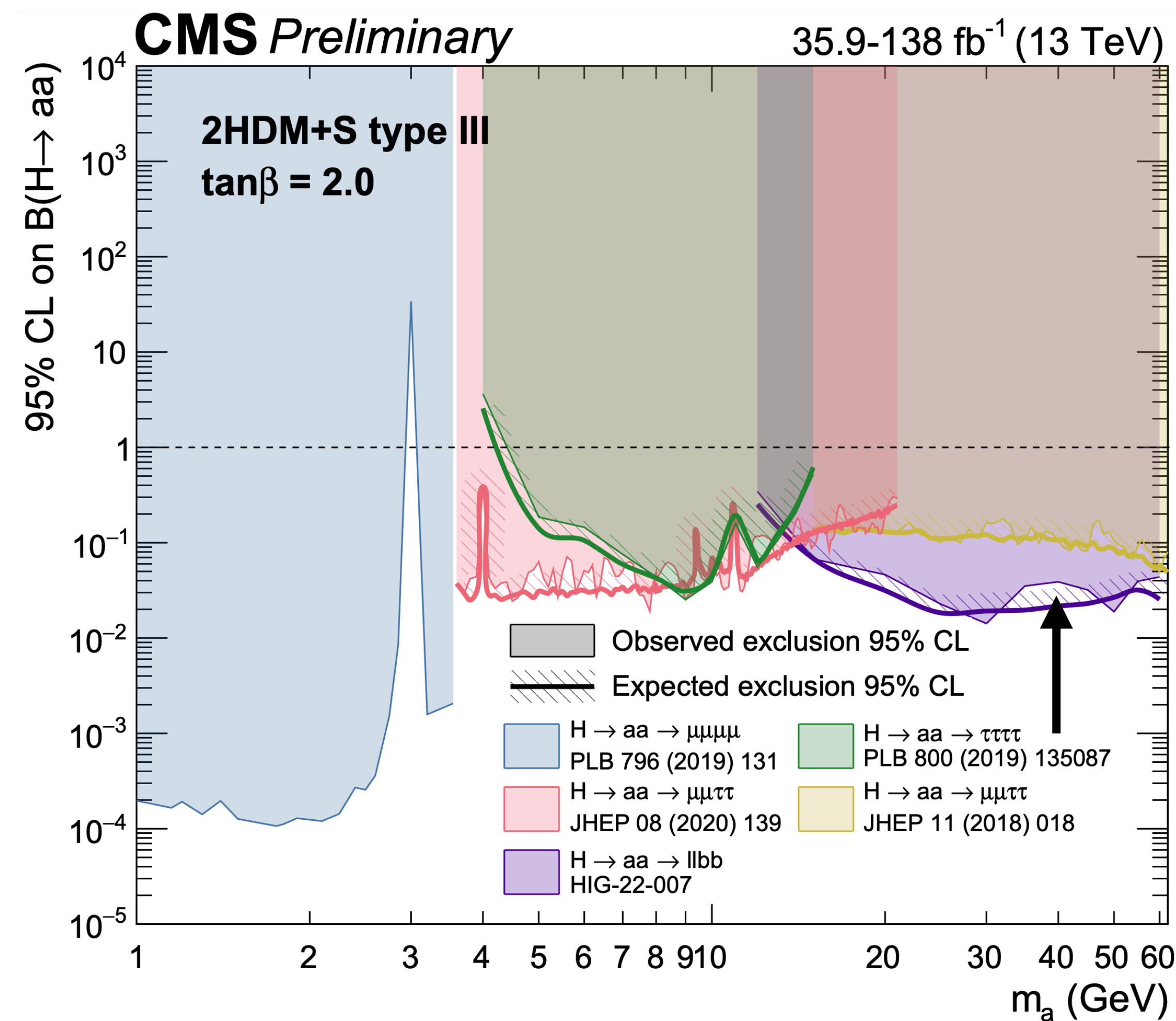
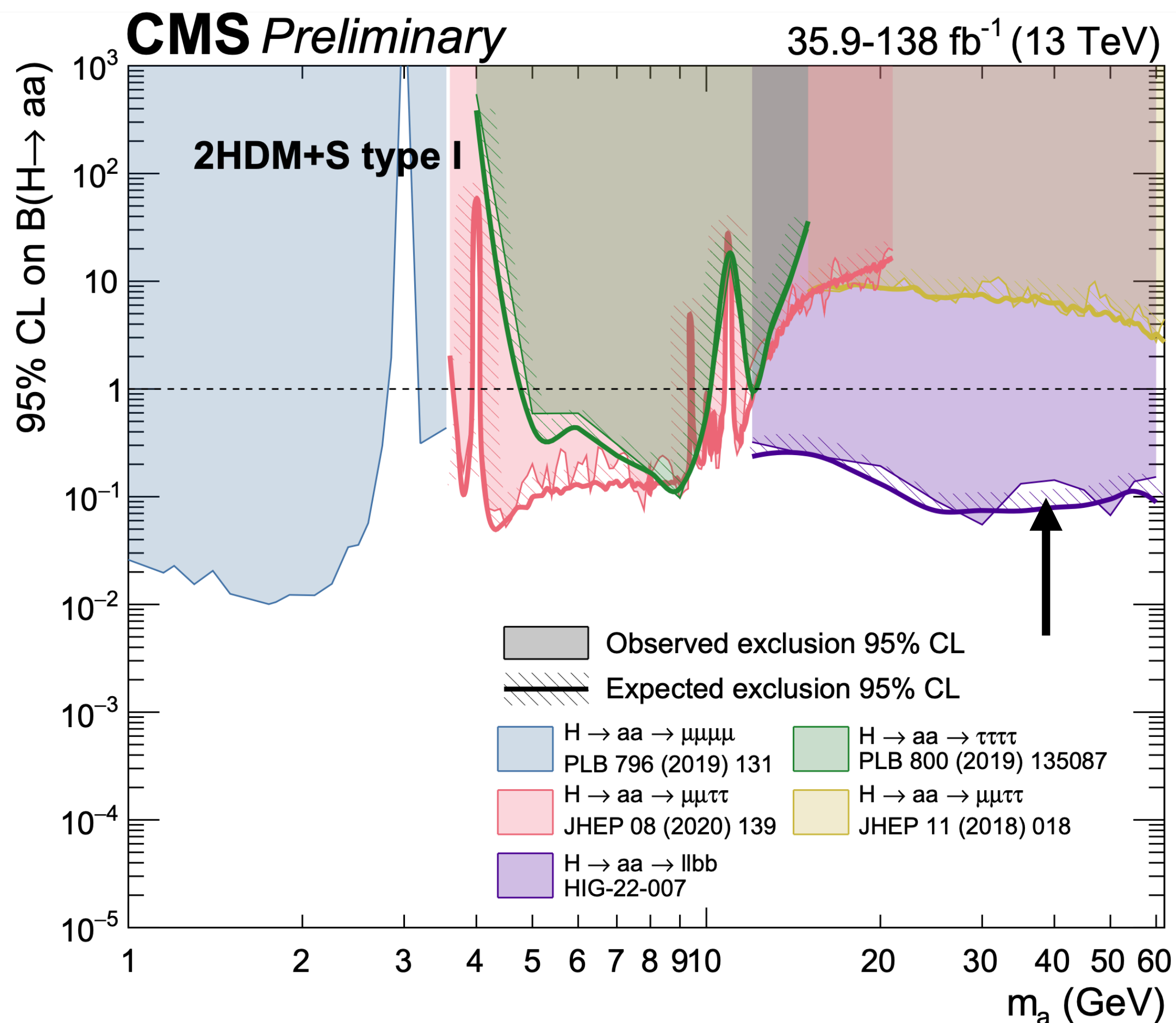
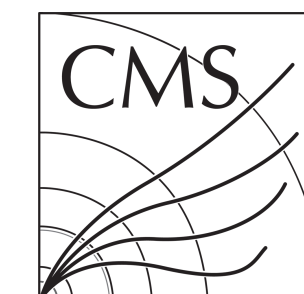
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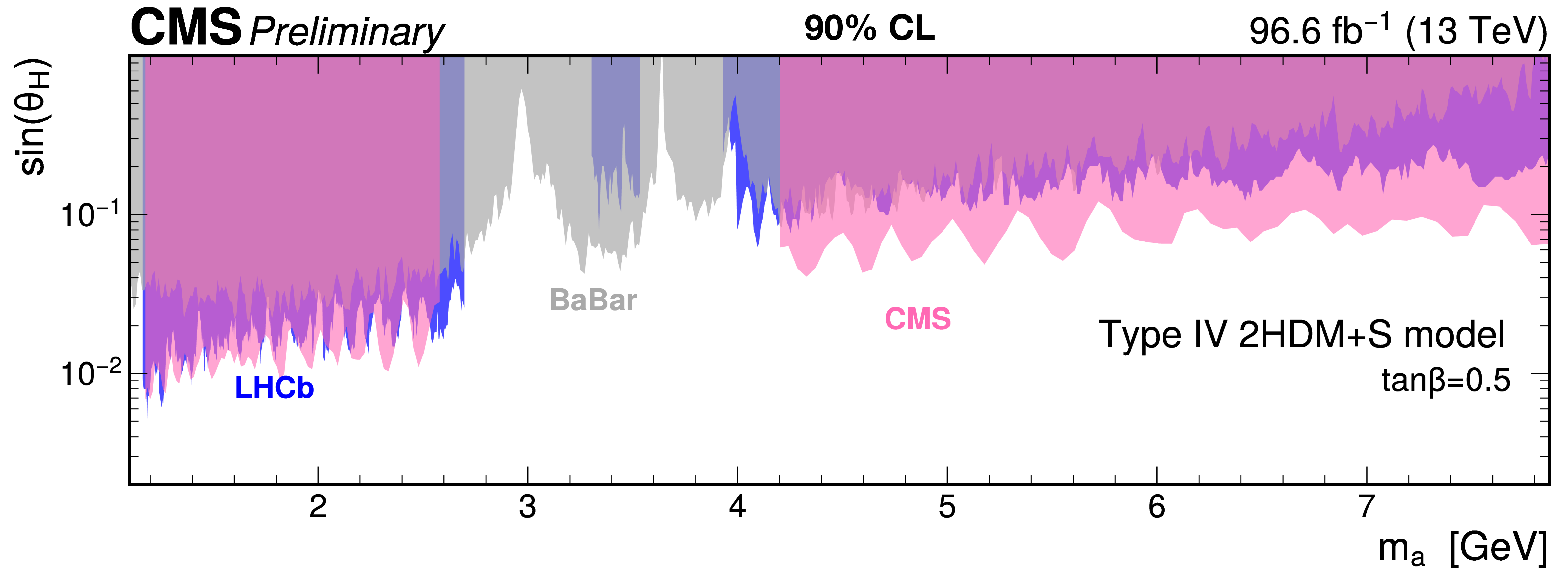
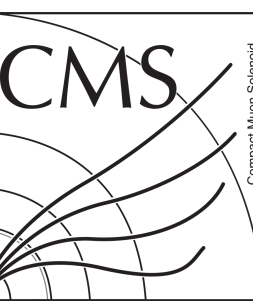
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Prompt low mass dimuons

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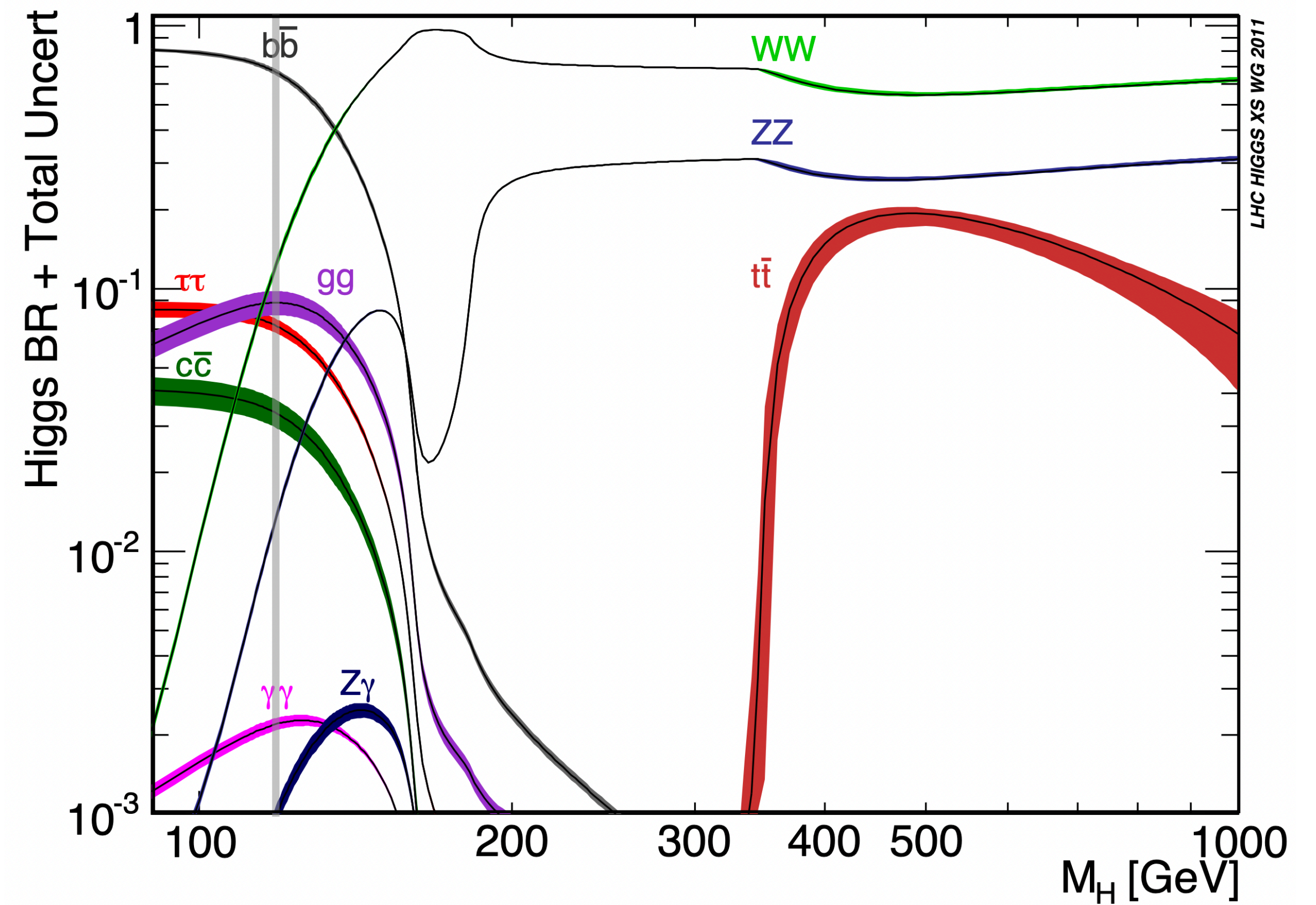
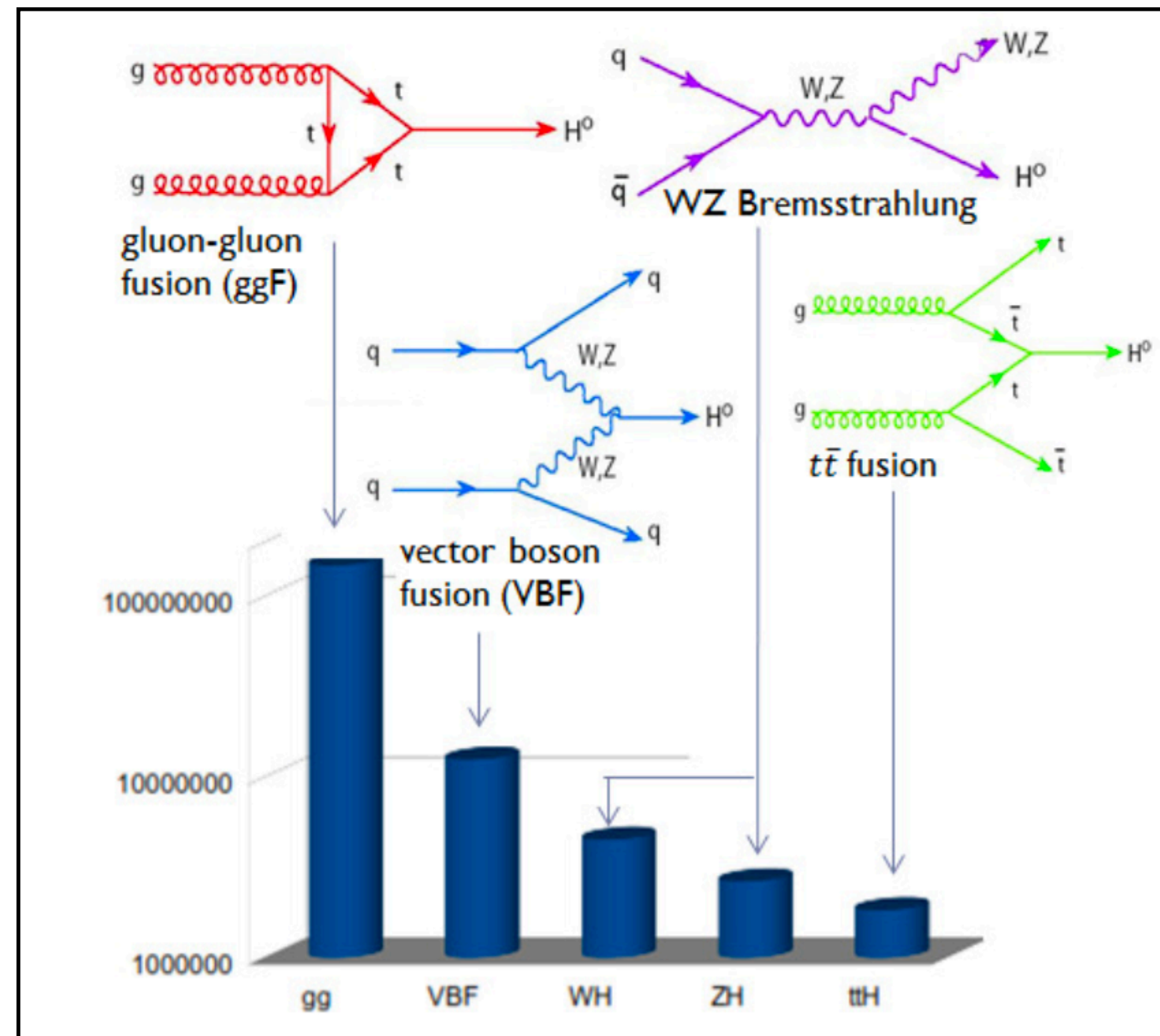
Model specific Type-IV 2HDM+S reinterpretation of the high p_T limit
- ggF production mode yields higher boost than does the DY mode.

Search for $X\phi \rightarrow \ell\ell$

Label	Channels	Q_ℓ	OSSF n	M_{OSSF}	N_b	S_T	p_T^3	M_ℓ	Dilepton mass
$W\phi(ee/\mu\mu)$ SR1Low	3L($ee\mu/e\mu\mu$)	1	1	OffZ	0	–	–	$< 76, > 106$	$M_{ee} / M_{\mu\mu}$
$W\phi(ee/\mu\mu)$ SR2Low	3L($eee/\mu\mu\mu$)	1	1	OffZ	0	–	–	$< 76, > 106$	$M_{ee}^{\text{min}} / M_{\mu\mu}^{\text{min}}$
$W\phi(ee/\mu\mu)$ SR1High	3L($ee\mu/e\mu\mu$)	1	1	OffZ	0	> 200	> 15	> 150	$M_{ee} / M_{\mu\mu}$
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$Z\phi(ee/\mu\mu)$ SRLow	4L+3L1T+2L2T	0	≥ 1	Not double-OnZ	0	–	–	–	$M_{ee}^{\text{min}} / M_{\mu\mu}^{\text{min}}$
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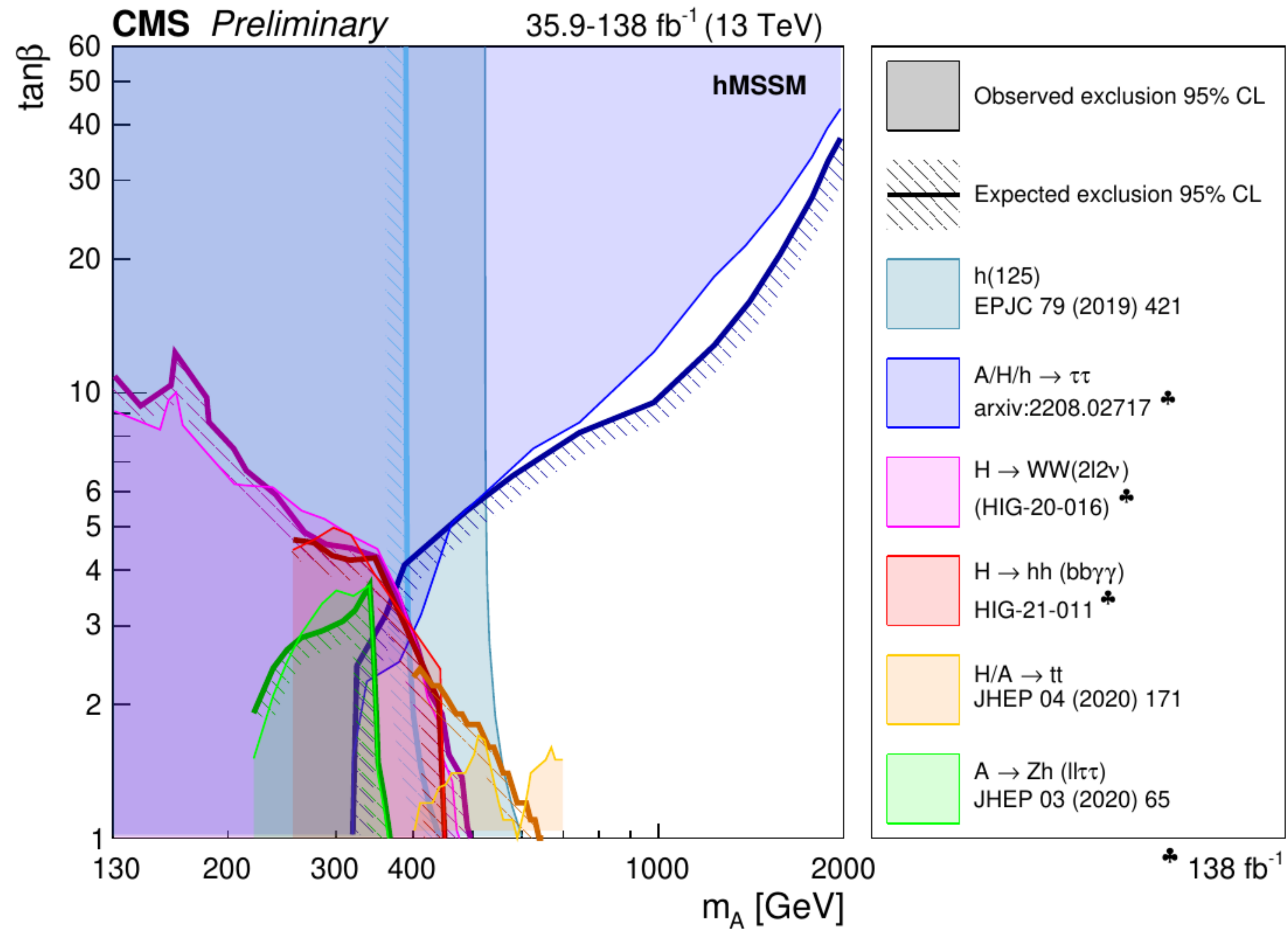
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Higgs production and decay



ggF and VBF are the dominant production modes at the LHC.

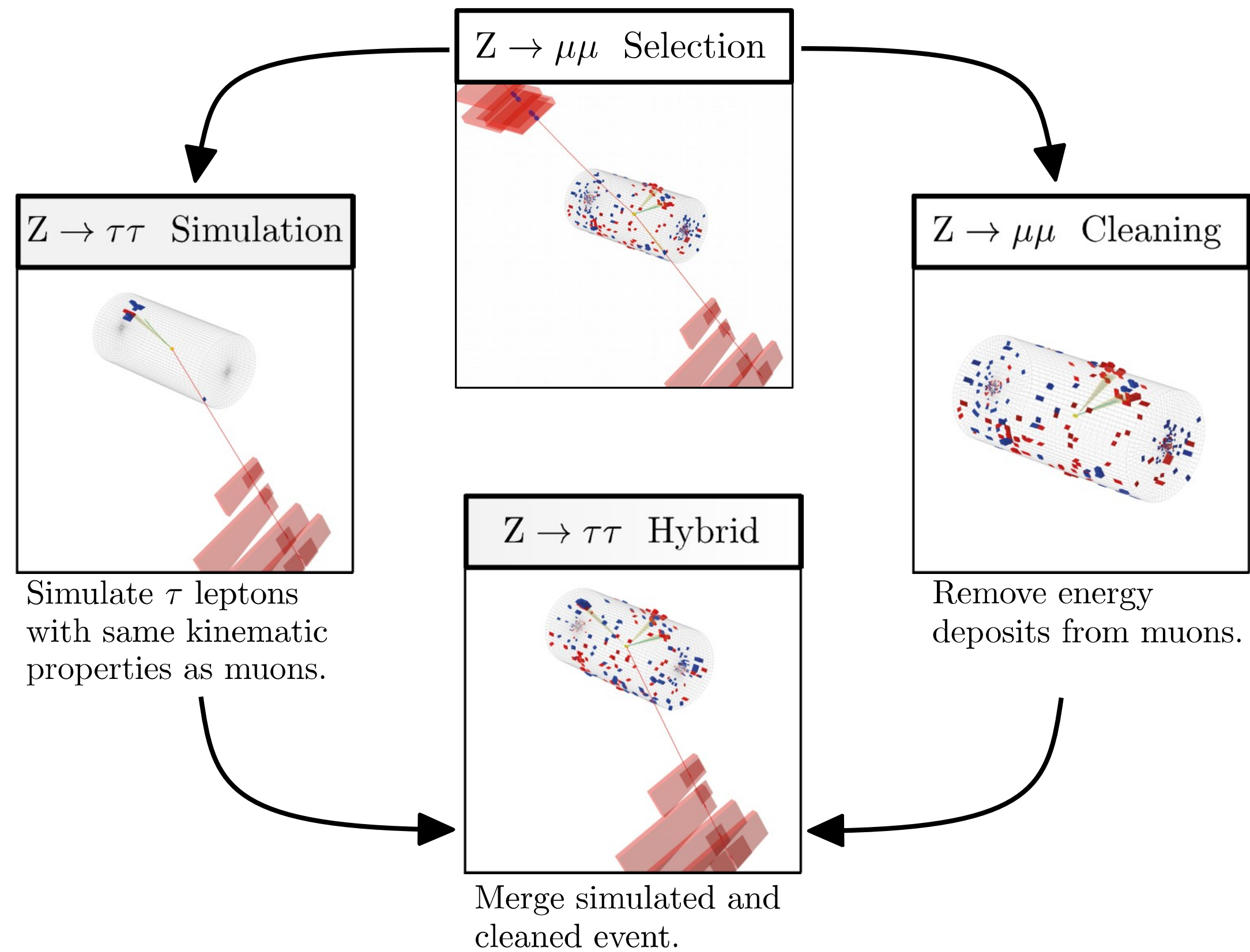
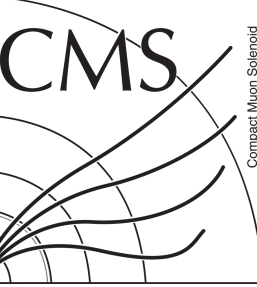
The scalar landscape in MSSM



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Tau embedding

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Embedding technique eliminates possible issues with underlying event description, pileup contributions, or production of associated jets .

