

Search for heavy Higgs bosons from a g2HDM in multilepton plus b-jets final states in pp collisions at 13 TeV with the ATLAS detector

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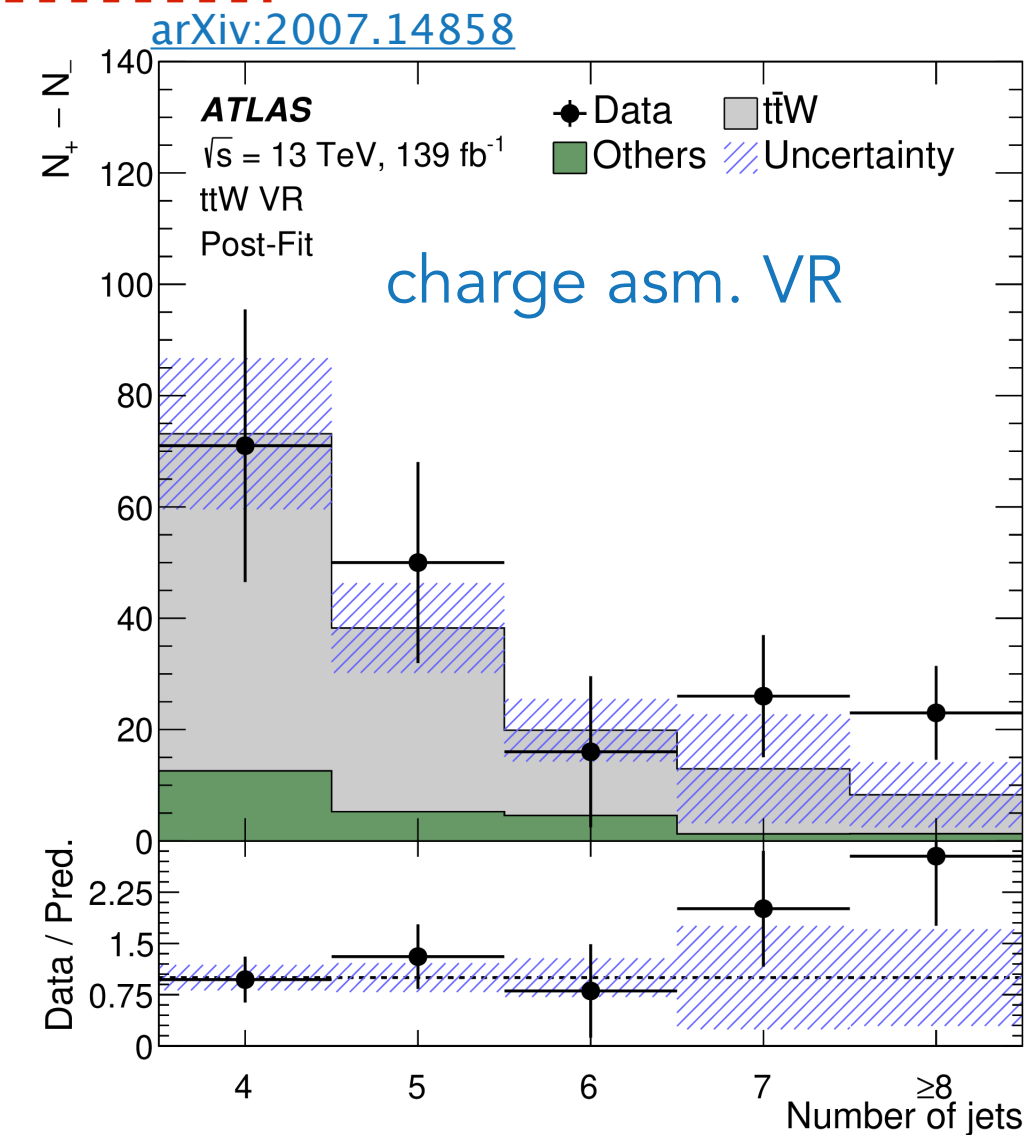
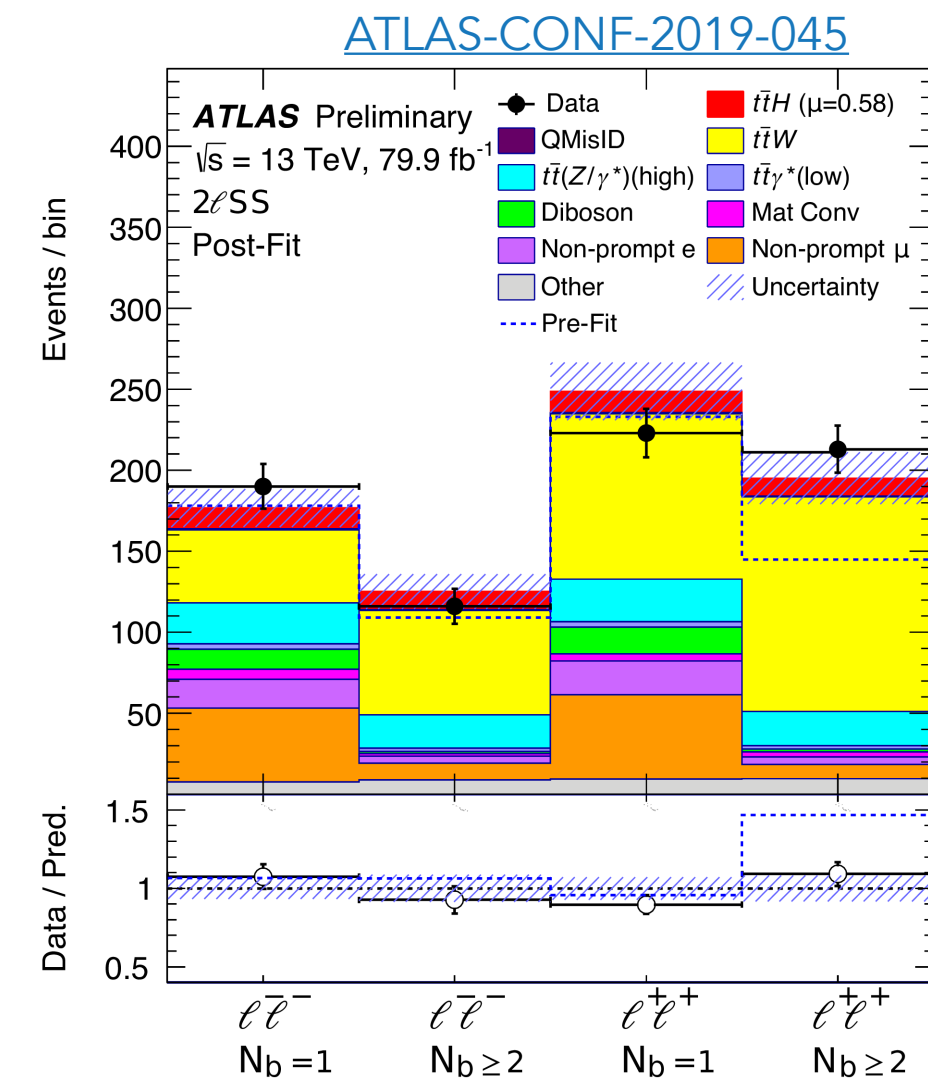
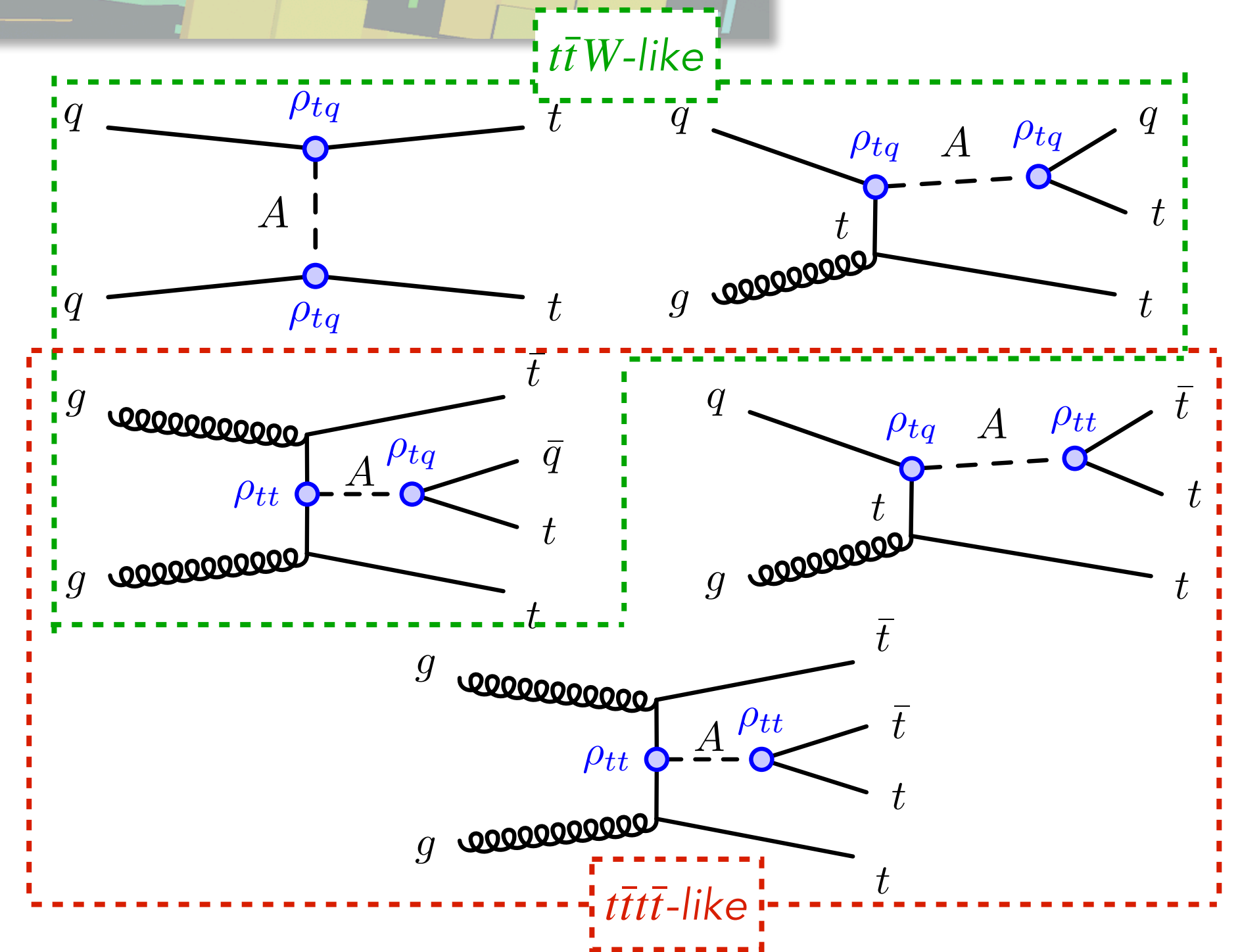
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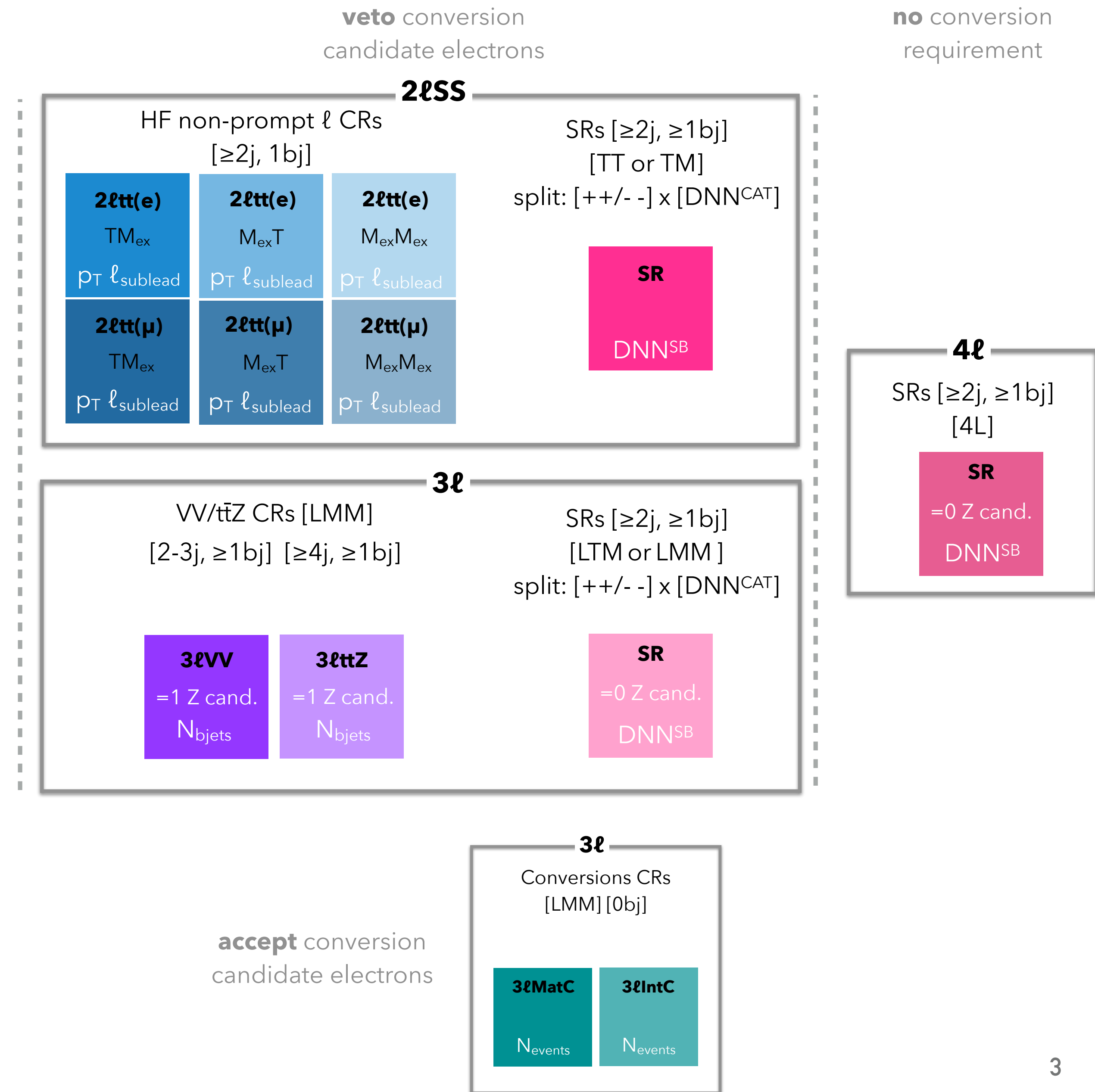
Motivation

- * General 2HDM: including off-diagonal Yukawa couplings for the second doublet in the alignment limit while dropping discrete symmetry (Z_2) which will allow for FCNH
 - ▶ Extra **sub-TeV** Higgs bosons (H^0, A^0) with extra Yukawa couplings: $\rho_{tt}, \rho_{tu}, \rho_{tc}$
 - ▶ Satisfy existing experimental constraints (Higgs coupling measurements, flavour physics, etc.), and can address several shortcomings of the SM: electroweak baryogenesis, strong CP problem, flavour problem, etc
 - ▶ Production modes with tH and ttH and resulting processes $ss\bar{t}t, ttq, ttt, tttq, tttt$ are studied
 - ▶ Final states with multiple leptons ($2\ell SS, 3\ell, 4\ell$) and b-jets studied (expect lepton charge asymmetry)
- * Some analyses observed odd data features, that g2HDM model could explain
 - ▶ ttHML: tension in $2LSS (+ +) \geq 2bj$ region
 - ▶ SM 4top: also observed a lepton charge asymmetry at high Njets
 - ▶ Recent 4tops BSM search confirms this deviation and the asymmetric high nJets data/MC discrepancy



Analysis strategy

- * Use **tight lepton definition** to suppress reducible background
 - Non-prompt lepton veto BDTs
- * **Estimate corrections** from data for various non-prompt ℓ (HF, conversions) and irreducible (VV+HF jets, $t\bar{t}Z$, $t\bar{t}W$) backgrounds in simultaneous fit CRs+SRs
 - Multiple **control regions** are defined in order to fit the normalisation of the leading backgrounds
- * Signal regions
 - Split according to number of leptons, total lepton charge, and a **multi-output deep neural network classifier** (DNN^{CAT}) to categorise the different BSM signals
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Good modeling of various Standard Model processes!



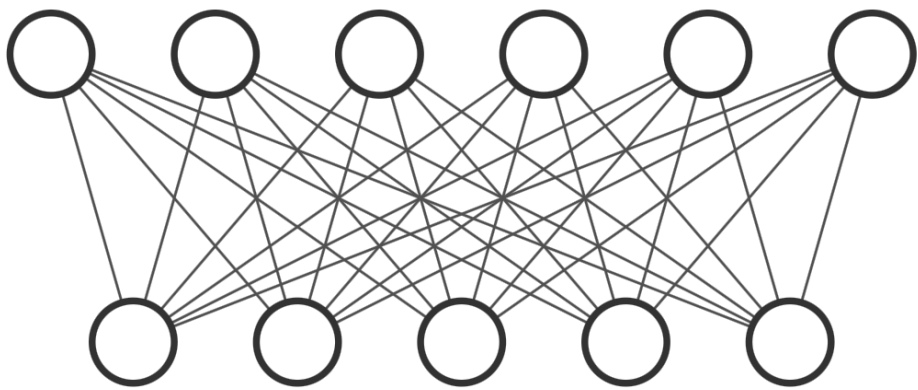
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- ▶ **2ℓ SS**: 5 cat. (sstt, ttq, ttt, tttq, tttt)
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1st step

var1 var2 ... varN



Class probabilities

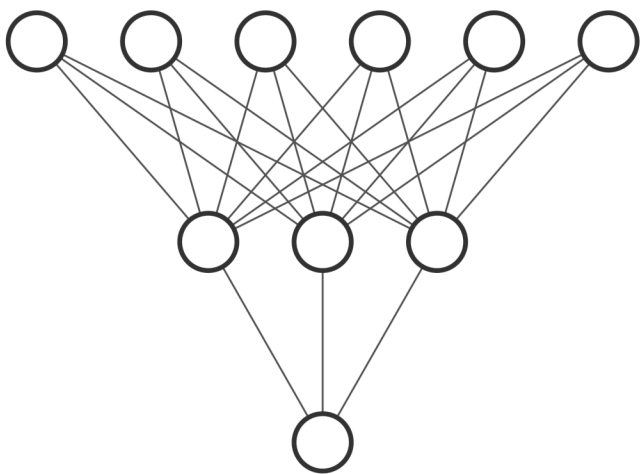
2) (DNN^{SB}) used to discriminate the dedicated signal category from the background

- ▶ **decorrelated** network from mass dependent variables (DisCo: Robust Networks Through Distance Correlation ([arXiv](#)))
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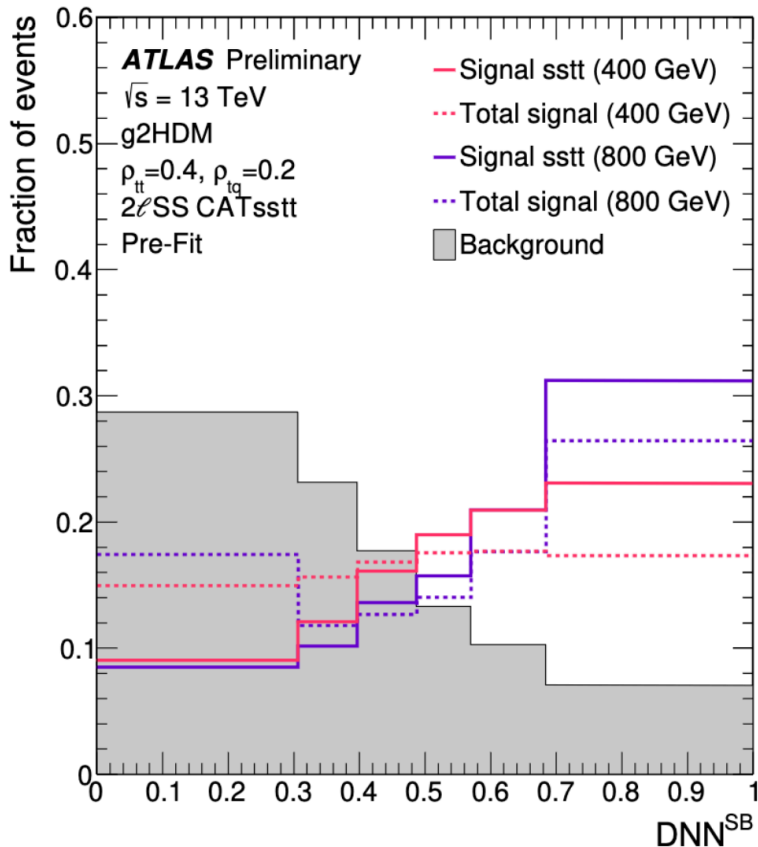
$$\ell = \ell_{\text{classifier}}(\vec{y}, \vec{y}_{\text{true}}) + \lambda \text{dCorr}^2(\vec{m}, \vec{y})$$

2nd step

var1 var2 ... varN



CATs additionally split by charge to ++ and -- exploiting the additional separation between charge-symmetric and charge-asymmetric signal processes



Variable	DNN^{cat}	DNN^{SB}
Number of jets (N_{jets})	✓	✓
Sum of pseudo-continuous b-tagging scores of jets	✓	✓
Pseudo-continuous b-tagging score of 1st, 2nd, 3rd leading jet in p_T	✓	✓
Sum of p_T of the jets and leptons ($H_{T,\text{jets}}, H_{T,\text{lep}}$)	✓	✓
Angular distance of leptons (sum in the case of 3ℓ and 4ℓ)	✓	✓
Missing transverse energy	✓	✓
Leading transverse momentum of jet	-	✓
Invariant mass of leading lepton and missing transverse energy	-	✓
Di/tri/quad-lepton type variable (associated to the number of electrons/muons in event)	-	✓

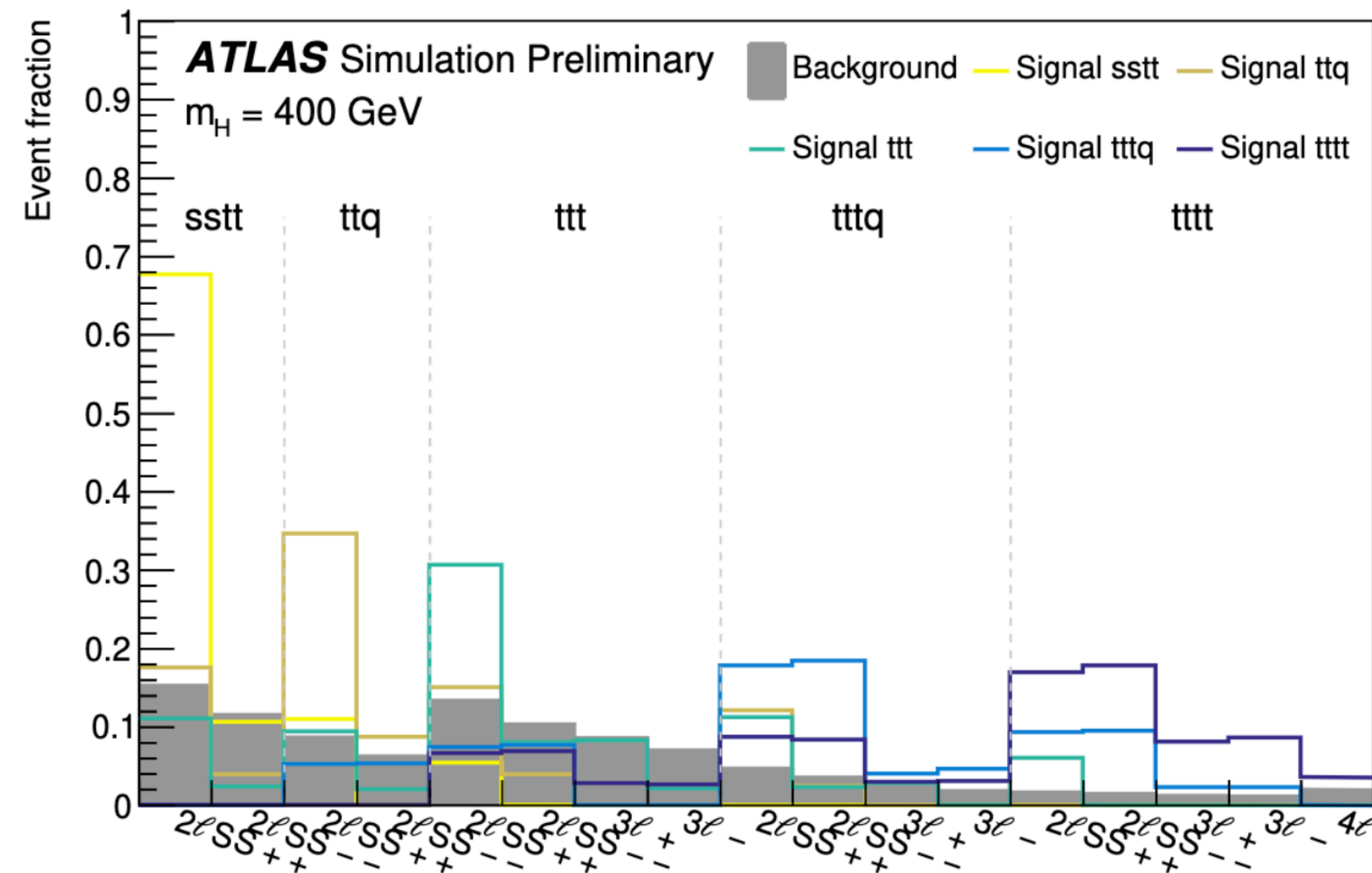
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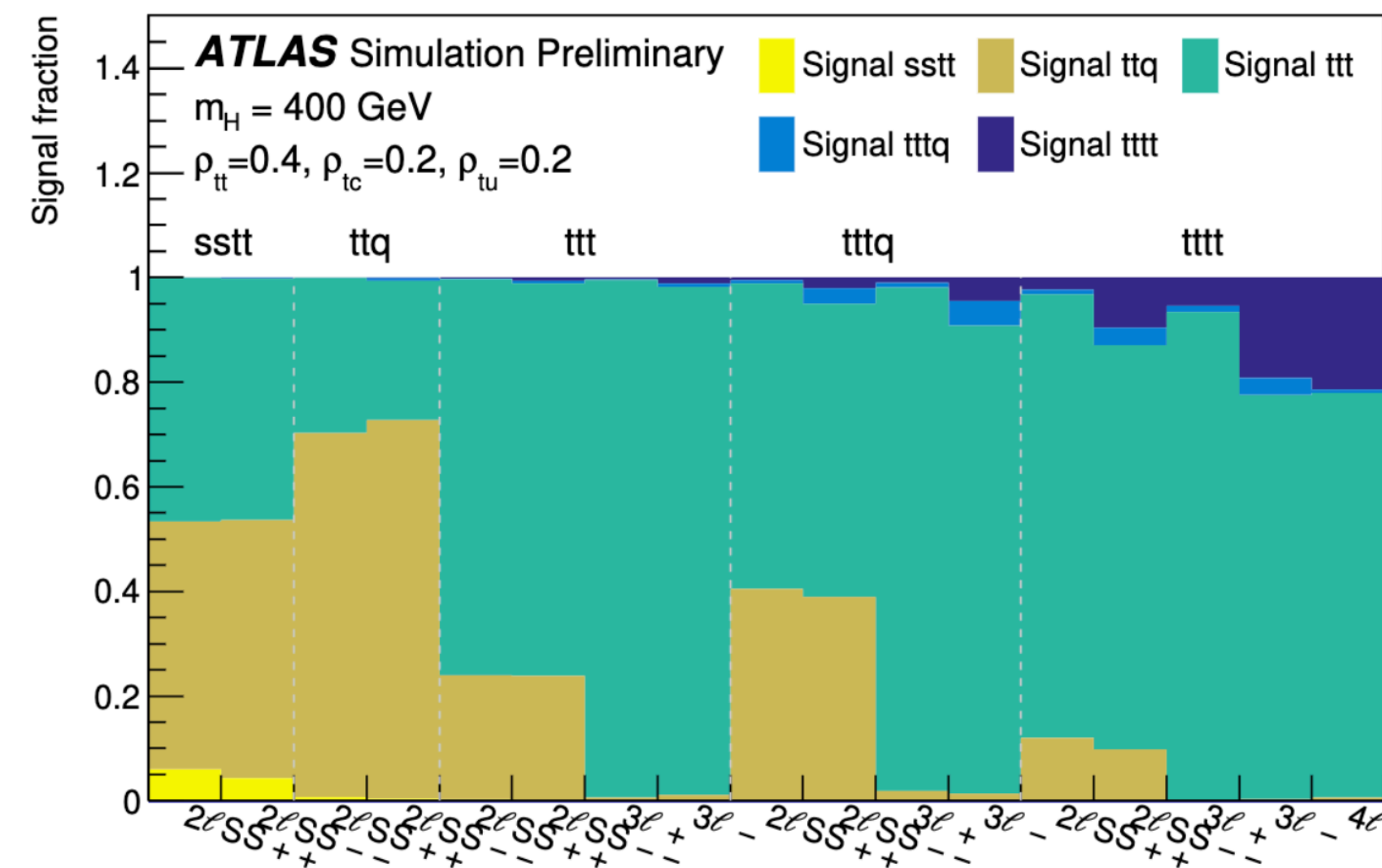
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Normalized distributions of the categorization for each signal process, compared to the total expected background,

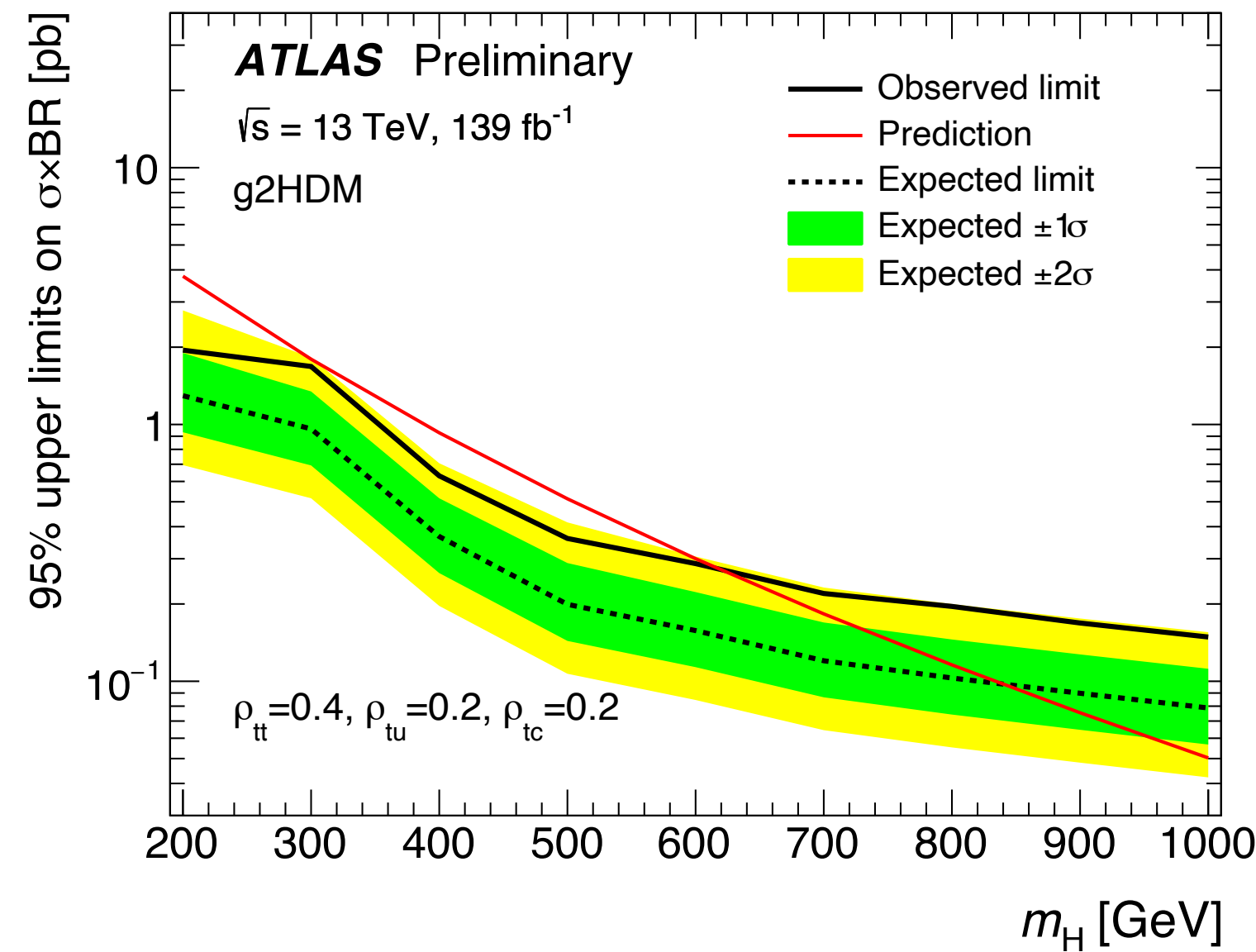


The expected fractional signal contribution in each category scalar masses for the coupling set $\rho_{tt} = 0.4, \rho_{tc} = 0.2, \rho_{tu} = 0.2$.

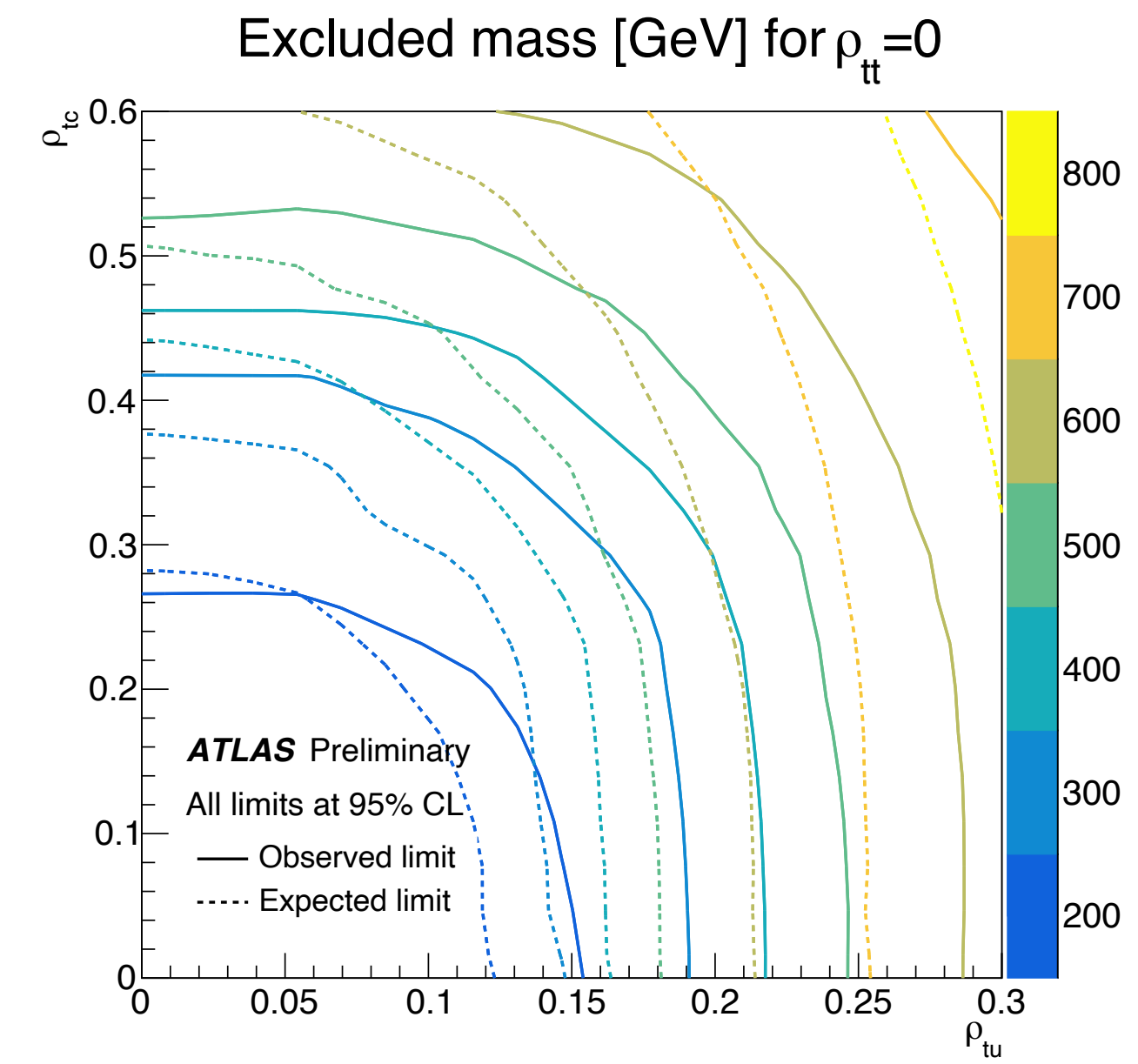
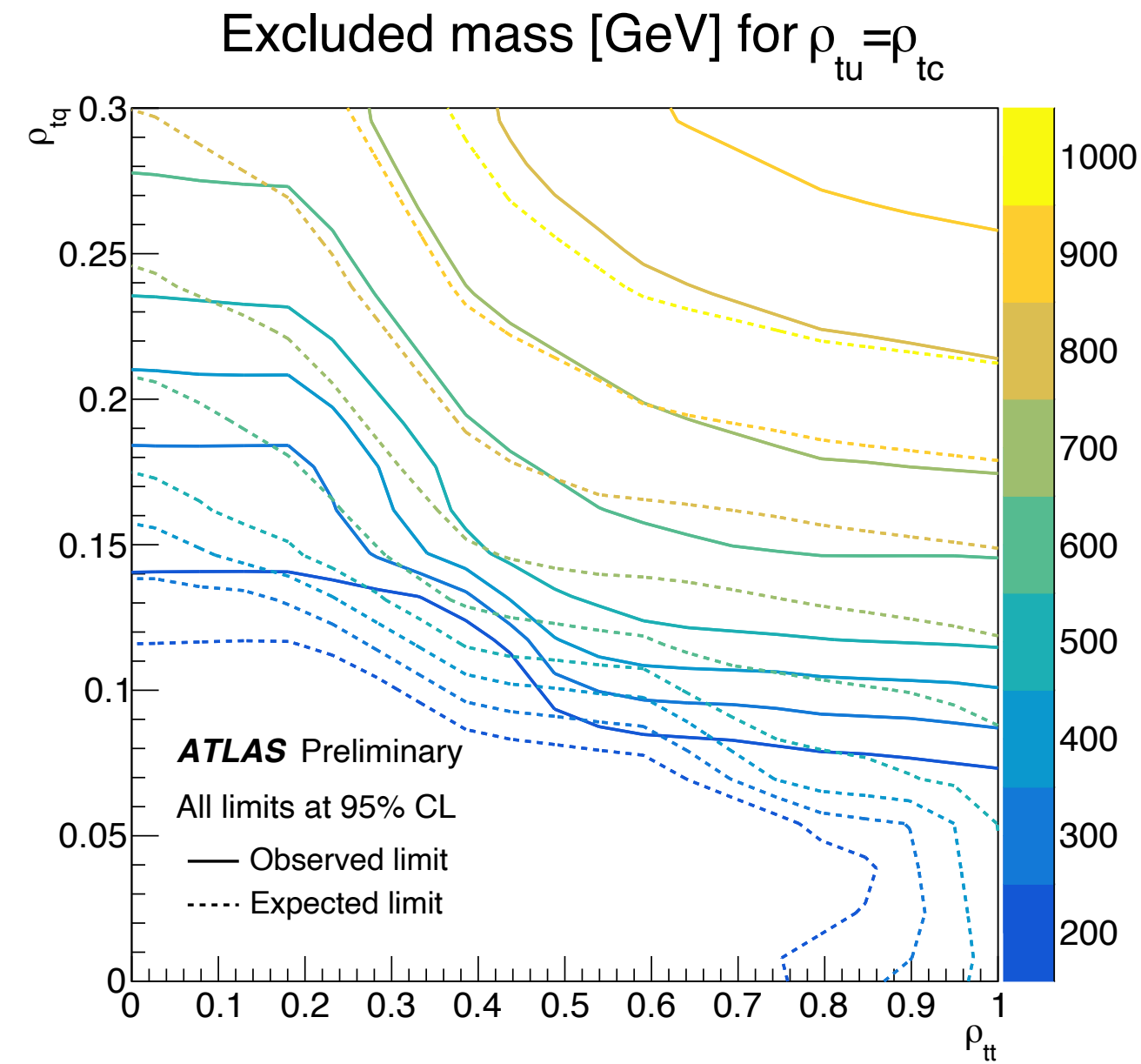
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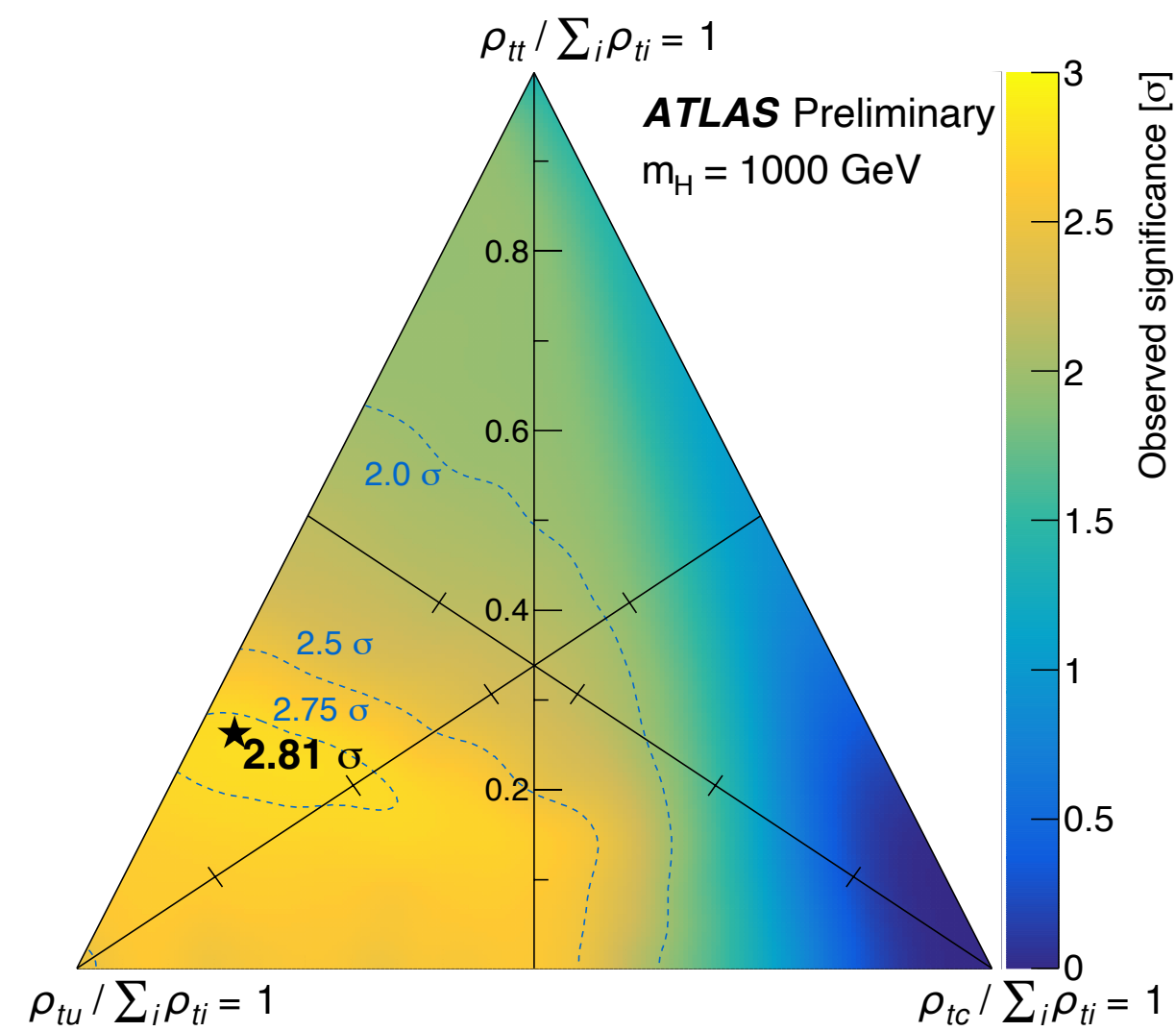
Observed exclusion limits on the $\sigma \times \text{BR}$ ratio for the benchmark coupling scenario $m_H < 630 \text{ GeV}$ excluded



Observed (solid line) and expected (dashed line) exclusion limits on the scalar mass as a function of the coupling under $\rho_{tc} = \rho_{tu}$ (left) and $\rho_{tt} = 0$ (right) scenarios

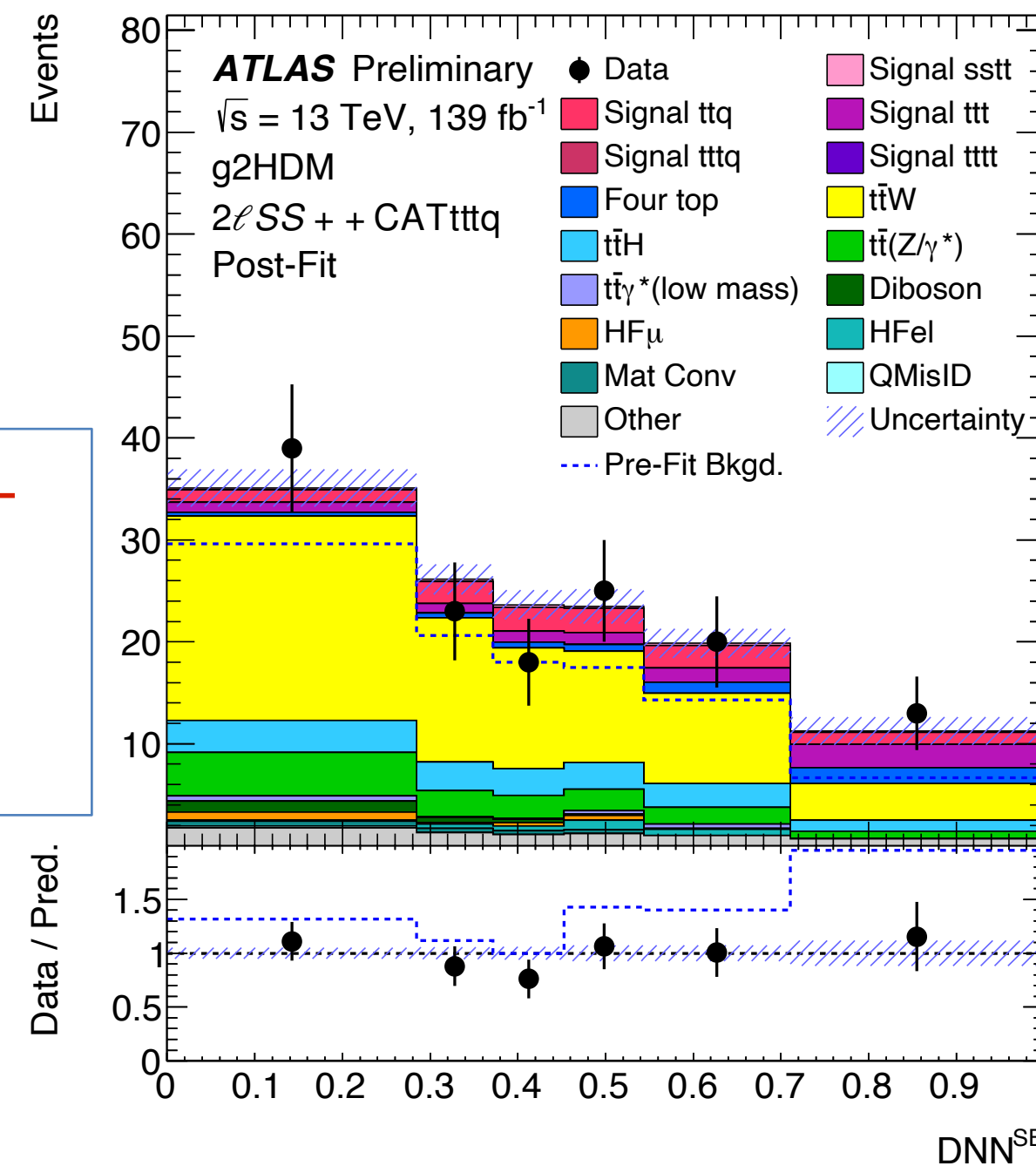
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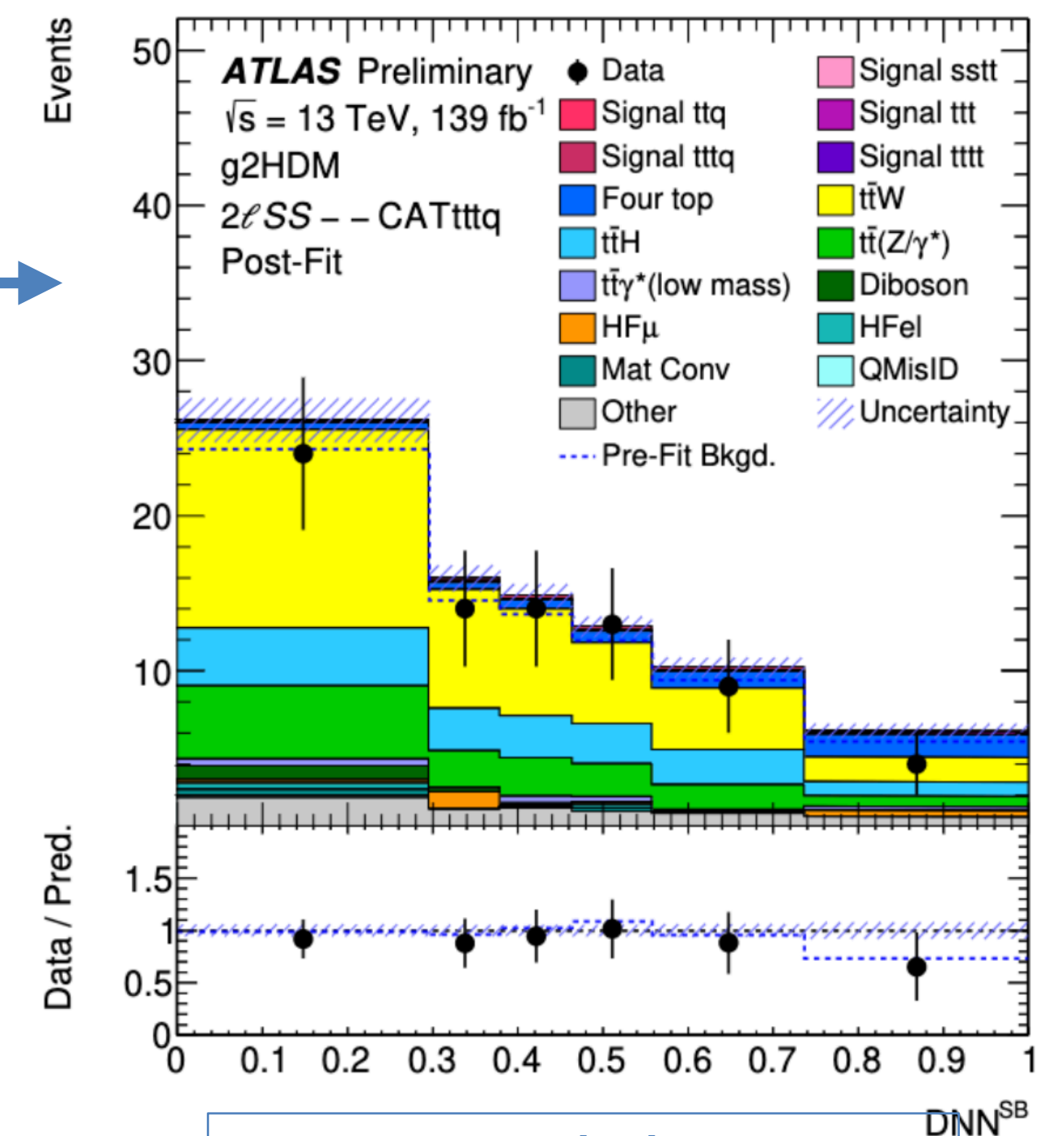


Scan of the couplings at
 $m_H = 1 \text{ TeV}$

Excess in ++
 ttq/tttq
 categories



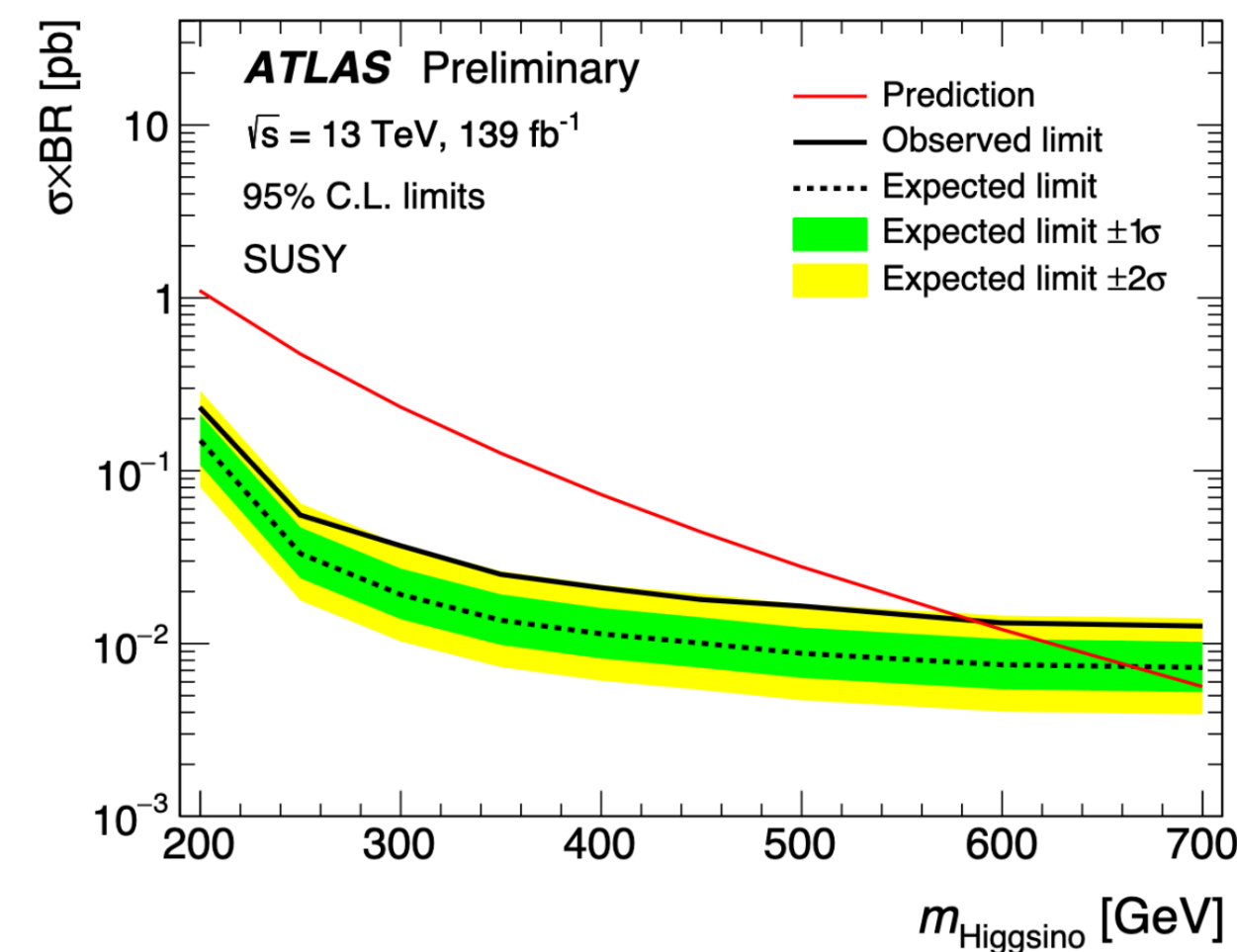
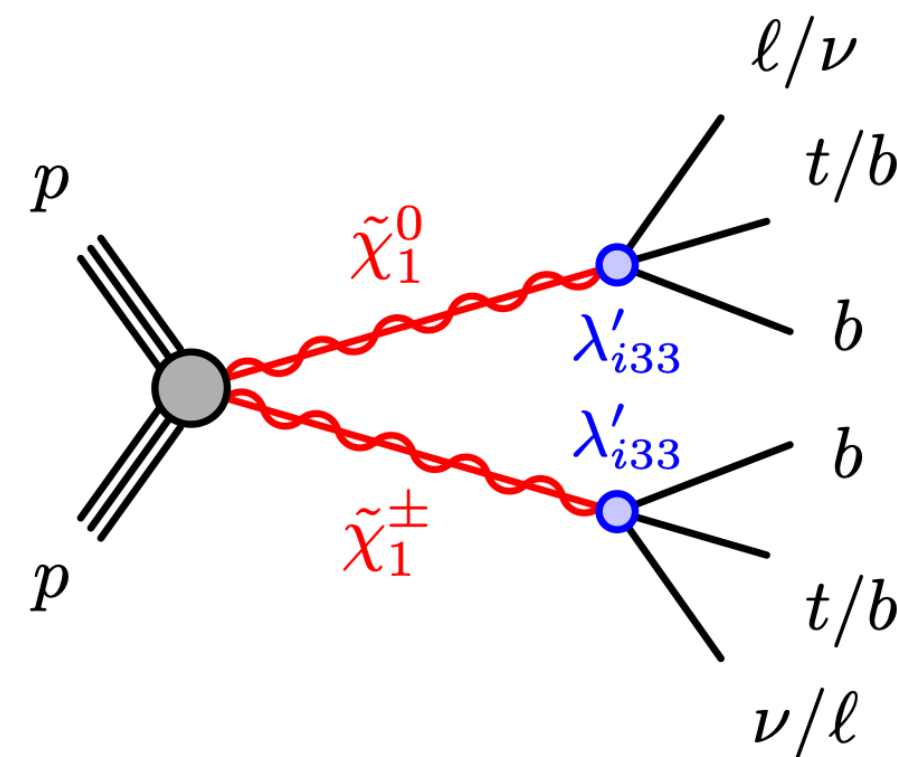
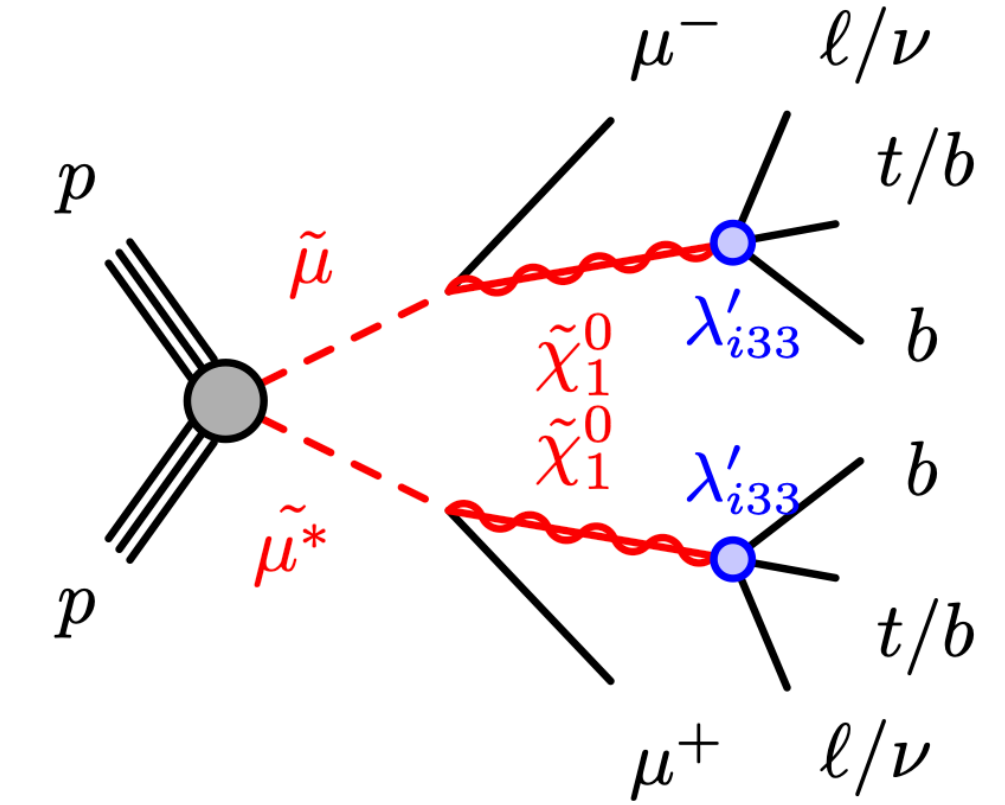
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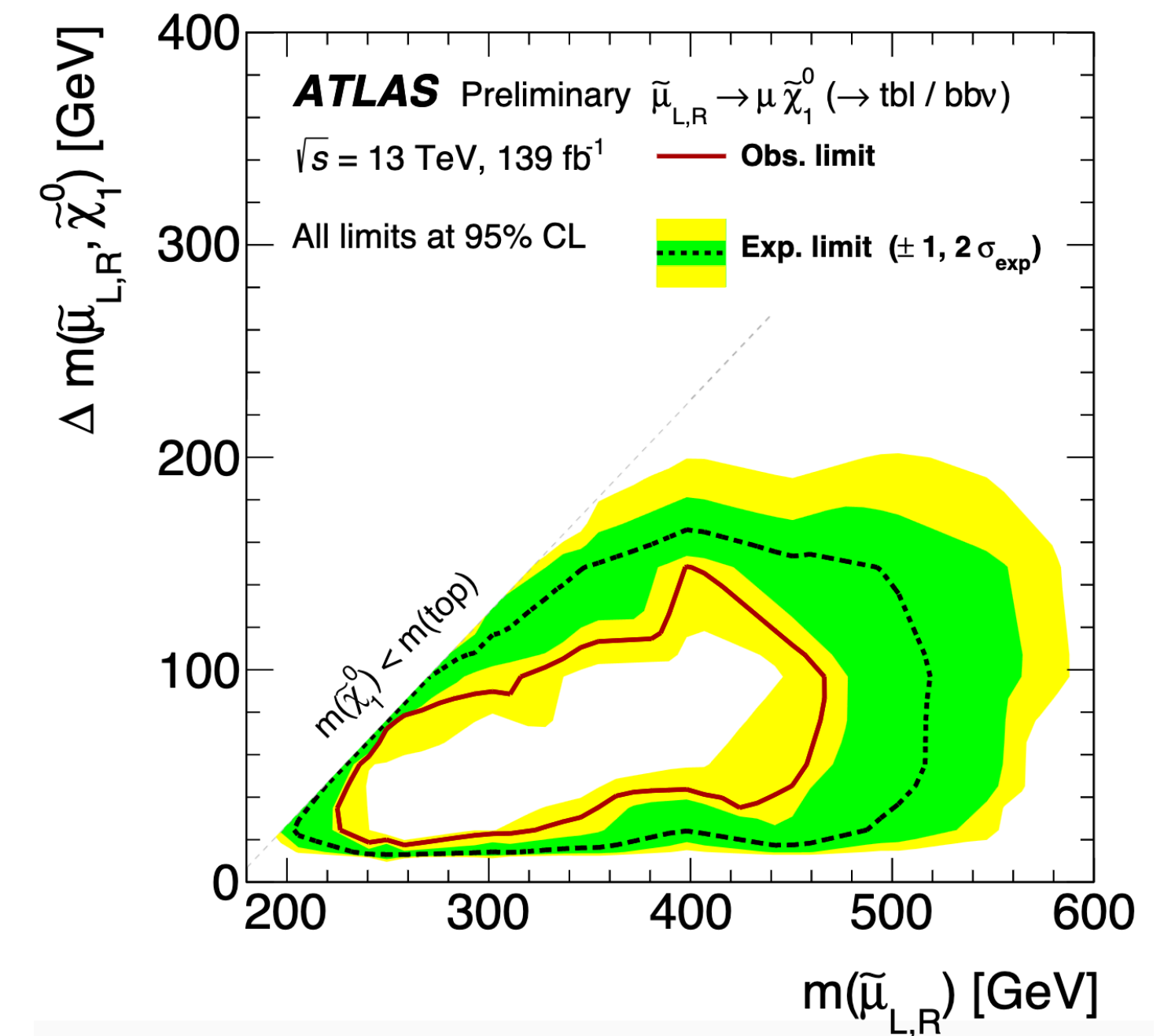
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- * **Bonus:** RPV SUSY interpretation (decay via a lepton-number-violating RPV coupling)
 - Set limits on wino, higgsino and smuon-bino models with RPV LQD coupling



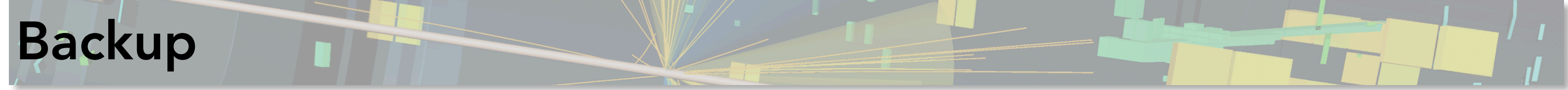
Observed exclusion limits on the $\sigma \times \text{BR}$ ratio for Higgsino model $200 < m_H < 585 \text{ GeV}$ excluded



Observed exclusion limits on the $\sigma \times \text{BR}$ ratio for Smuon-bino model $225 < m_H < 600 \text{ GeV}$ excluded

Summary

- * Analysis search for heavy Higgs bosons from a g2HDM in multilepton plus b-jets final states in pp collisions at 13 TeV with the ATLAS detector
 - Presented in conference note - [Link](#)
- * Additional sensitivity to novel SUSY signals
- * A mild excess is observed over the Standard Model expectation corresponding to a local significance of 2.81 standard deviations for a signal with $m_H = 1000 \text{ GeV}$ and $(\rho_{tt} = 0.32, \rho_{tc} = 0.05, \rho_{tu} = 0.85)$
- * BSM signal profiting mostly from charge-asymmetric ++ ttq/tttq categories
- * **New paper with updated mass points** is on the way, stay tuned!



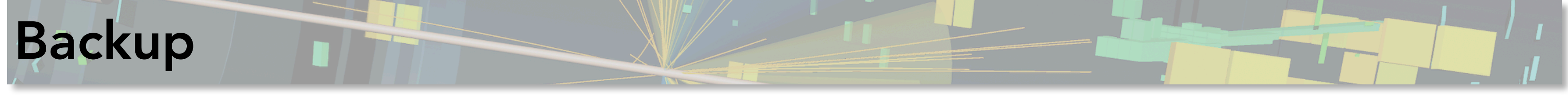
Backup

Table 2: Description of the loose inclusive (“ L ”), medium inclusive (“ M ”), medium exclusive (“ M_{ex} ”), and tight (“ T ”) lepton definitions. The electron e^* is required to fulfil, in addition to the corresponding lepton definition requirements, those corresponding to an internal or material conversion candidate.

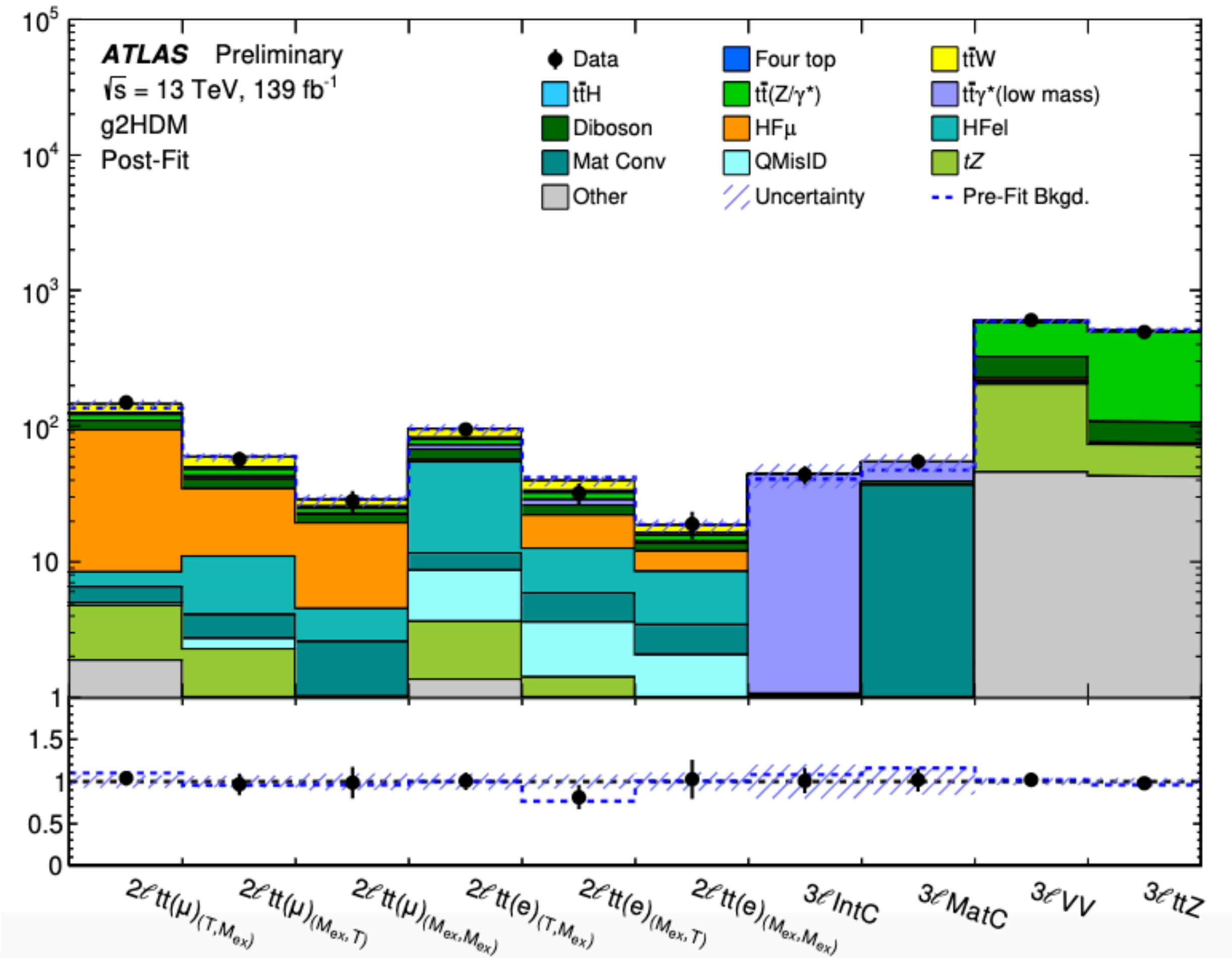
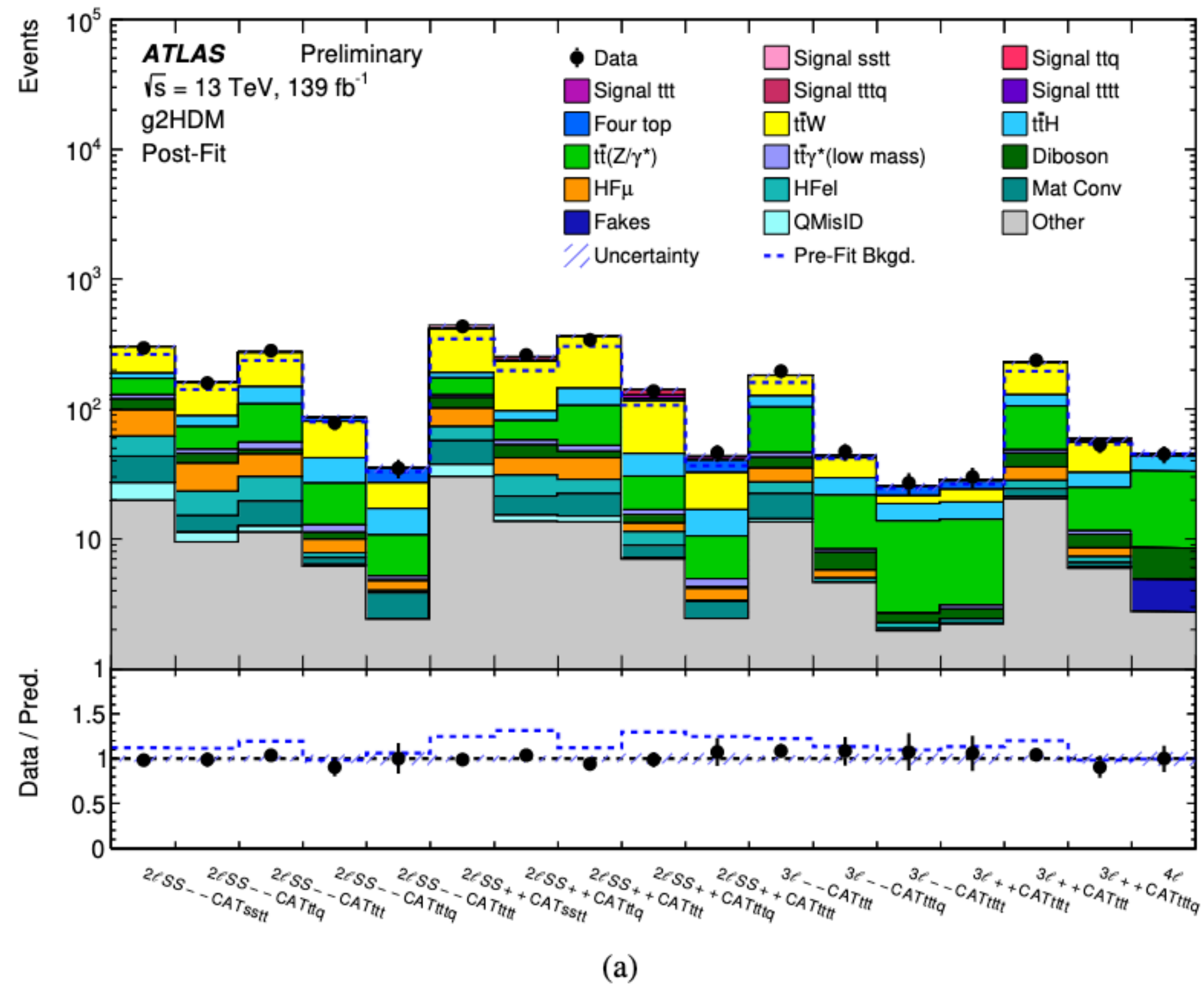
	e				μ			
	L	M	M_{ex}	T	L	M	M_{ex}	T
Isolation	Yes				Yes			
Non-prompt lepton BDT WP	No	<i>Tight</i>	<i>Tight-not-VeryTight</i>	<i>VeryTight</i>	No	<i>Tight</i>	<i>Tight-not-VeryTight</i>	<i>VeryTight</i>
Identification	Loose	Tight			Loose	Medium		
Electron charge-misassignment veto	No	Yes			N/A			
Electron conversion candidate veto	No	Yes (except e^*)			N/A			
Transverse impact parameter significance $ d_0 /\sigma_{d_0}$	< 5				< 3			
Longitudinal impact parameter $ z_0 \sin \theta $	$< 0.5 \text{ mm}$							

Table 4: Event selection summary in the control regions. The notation e^* is used to denote material conversion or internal conversion candidates, as described in Section 4. In the HF non-prompt lepton region naming, “ $2\ell\text{SStt}(e)$ ” (“ $2\ell\text{SStt}(\mu)$ ”) refer to the control regions enriched in non-prompt electrons (muons) from semileptonic b -decays originating mostly from $t\bar{t}$ and with the lepton flavours for the leading and subleading leptons corresponding to “ $ee, \mu e$ ” (“ $\mu\mu, e\mu$ ”). The additional (T, M_{ex}) , (M_{ex}, T) , and $(M_{\text{ex}}, M_{\text{ex}})$ subscripts refer to the lepton definitions required for the leading and subleading leptons in each region.

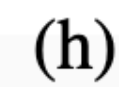
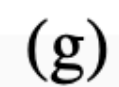
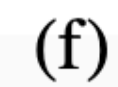
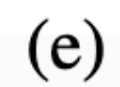
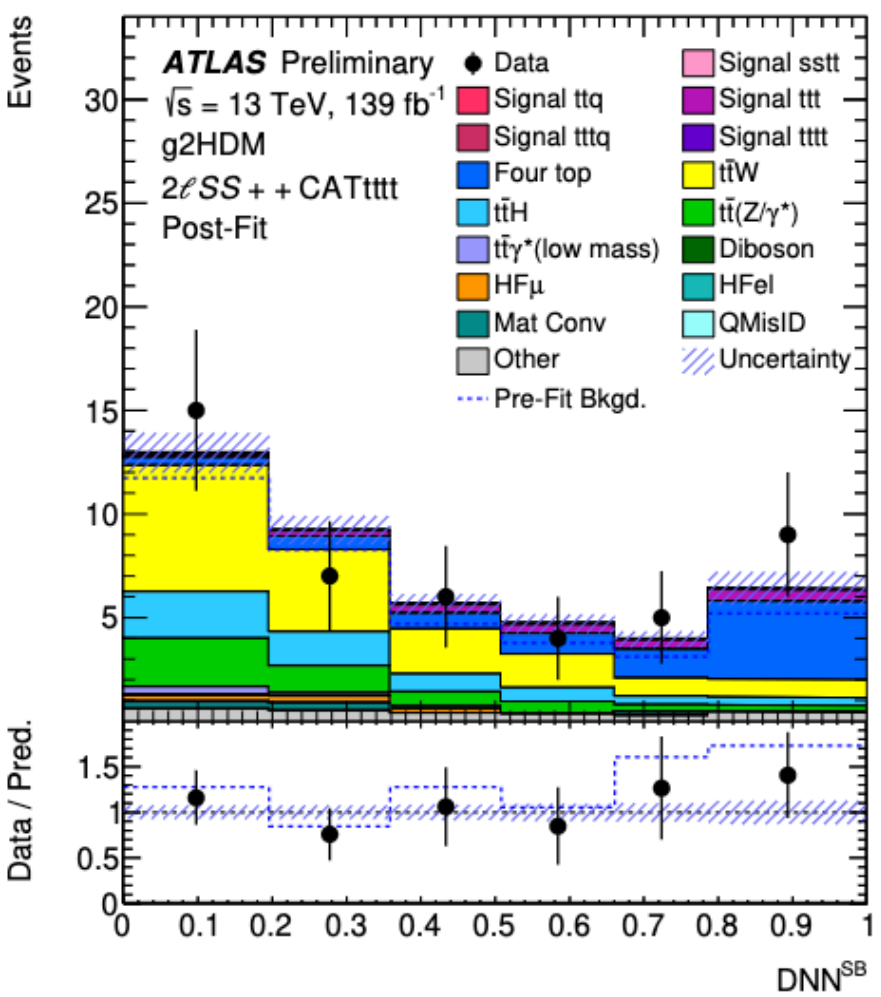
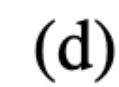
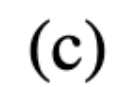
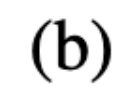
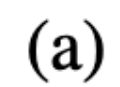
Control regions	WZ	$t\bar{t}Z$	Conversions	HF non-prompt
N_{jets}	2 or 3	≥ 4	≥ 0	≥ 2
$N_{b\text{-jets}}$	≥ 1 $b^{60\%}$ ≥ 2 $b^{77\%}$		0 $b^{77\%}$	1 $b^{77\%}$
Lepton requirement		3ℓ	$\mu\mu e^*$	$2\ell\text{SS}$
Lepton definition		(L, M, M)		$(T, M_{\text{ex}}) \parallel (M_{\text{ex}}, T) \parallel (M_{\text{ex}}, M_{\text{ex}})$
Lepton p_{T} [GeV]		(10, 20, 20)		(20, 20)
$m_{\ell^+\ell^-}^{OS-SF}$ [GeV]		>12	>12	–
$ m_{\ell^+\ell^-}^{OS-SF} - m_Z $ [GeV]		<10	>10	–
$ m_{\ell\ell\ell} - m_Z $ [GeV]		–	<10	–
$m_T(\ell_0, E_{\text{T}}^{\text{miss}})$ [GeV]		–		< 250
Region split	–	–	internal / material	subleading $e/\mu \times [(T, M_{\text{ex}}), (M_{\text{ex}}, T), (M_{\text{ex}}, M_{\text{ex}})]$
Region naming	$3\ell\text{VV}$	$3\ell\text{tt}Z$	$3\ell\text{IntC}$ $3\ell\text{MatC}$	$2\ell\text{tt}(e)_{(T, M_{\text{ex}})}, 2\ell\text{tt}(e)_{(M_{\text{ex}}, T)}, 2\ell\text{tt}(e)_{(M_{\text{ex}}, M_{\text{ex}})}$ $2\ell\text{tt}(\mu)_{(T, M_{\text{ex}})}, 2\ell\text{tt}(\mu)_{(M_{\text{ex}}, T)}, 2\ell\text{tt}(\mu)_{(M_{\text{ex}}, M_{\text{ex}})}$

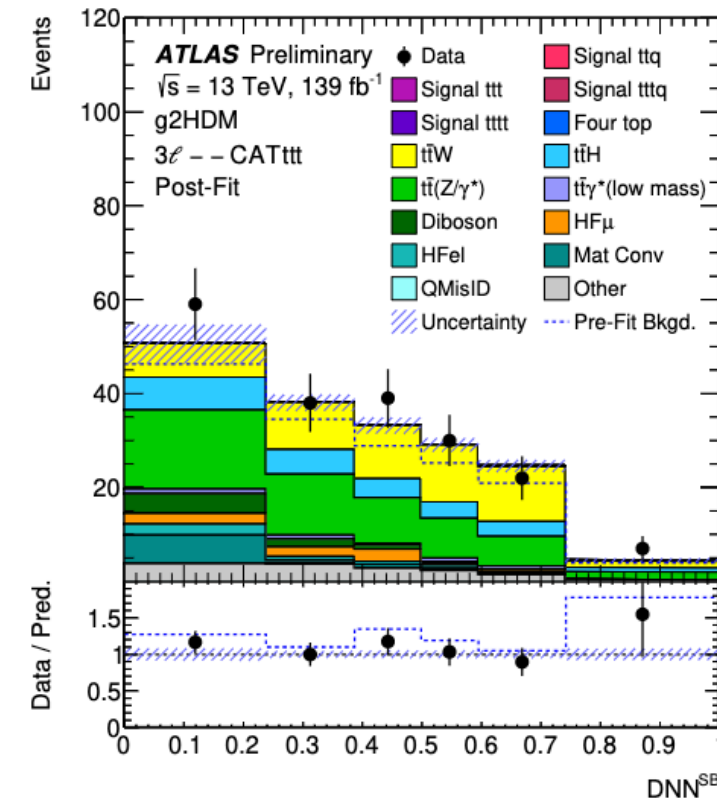


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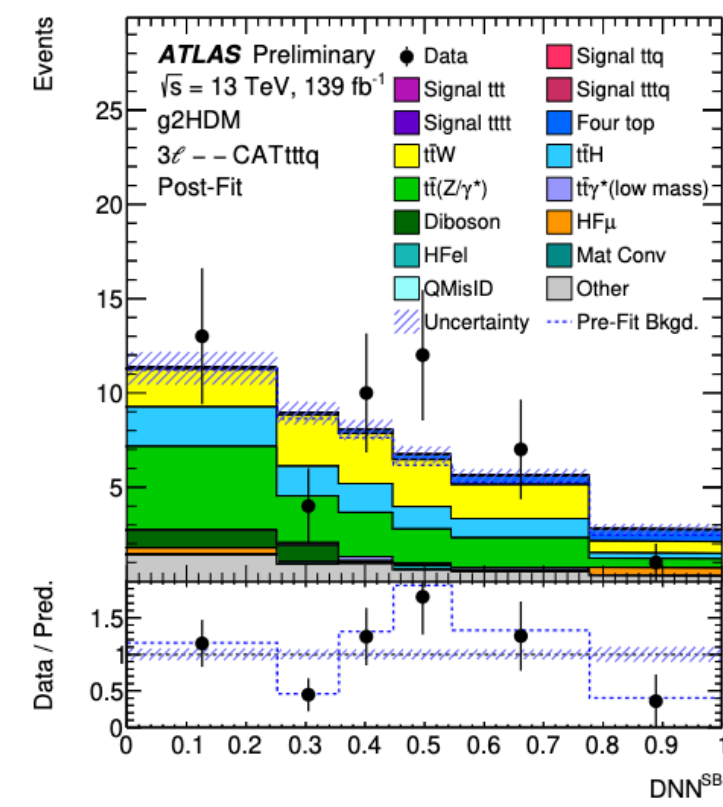


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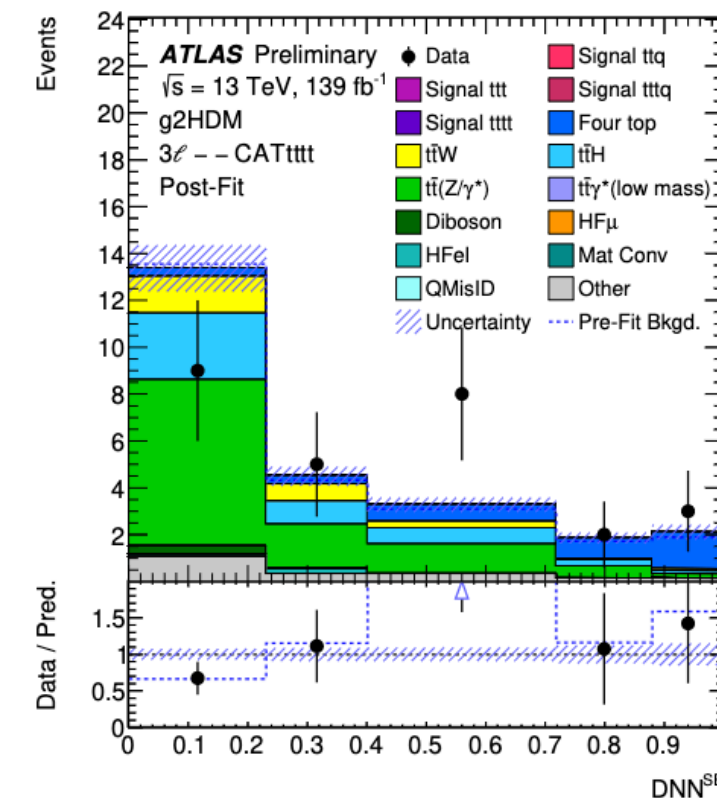




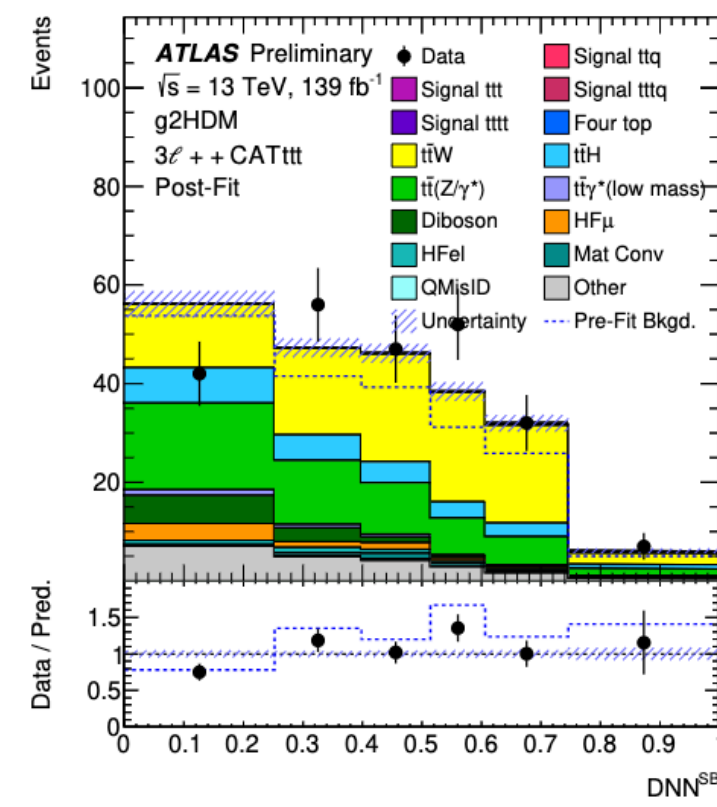
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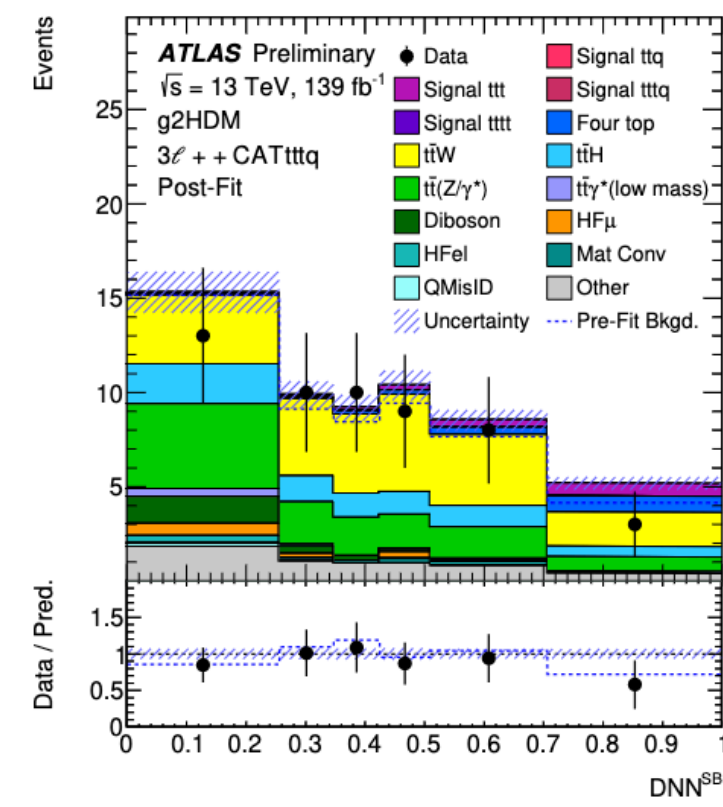
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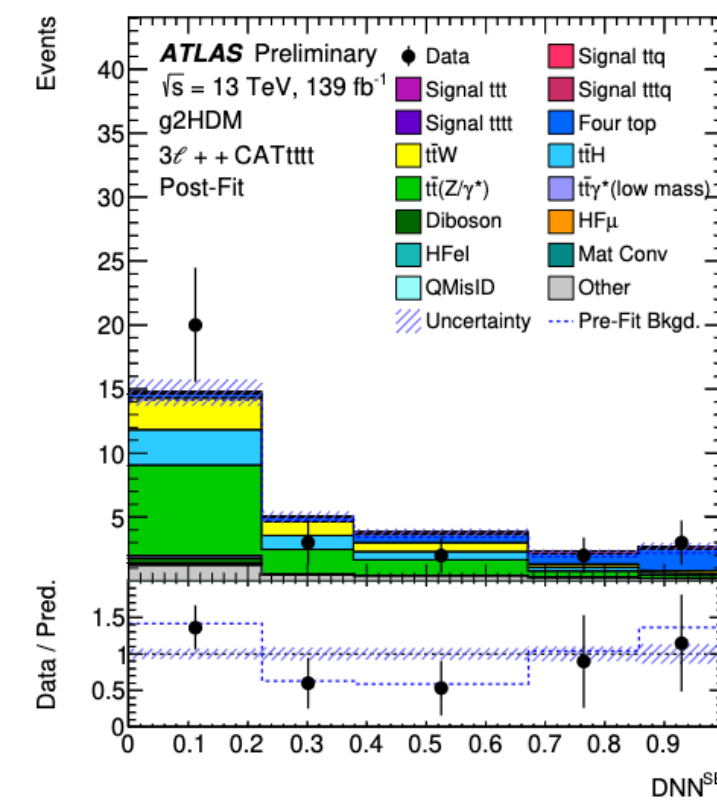
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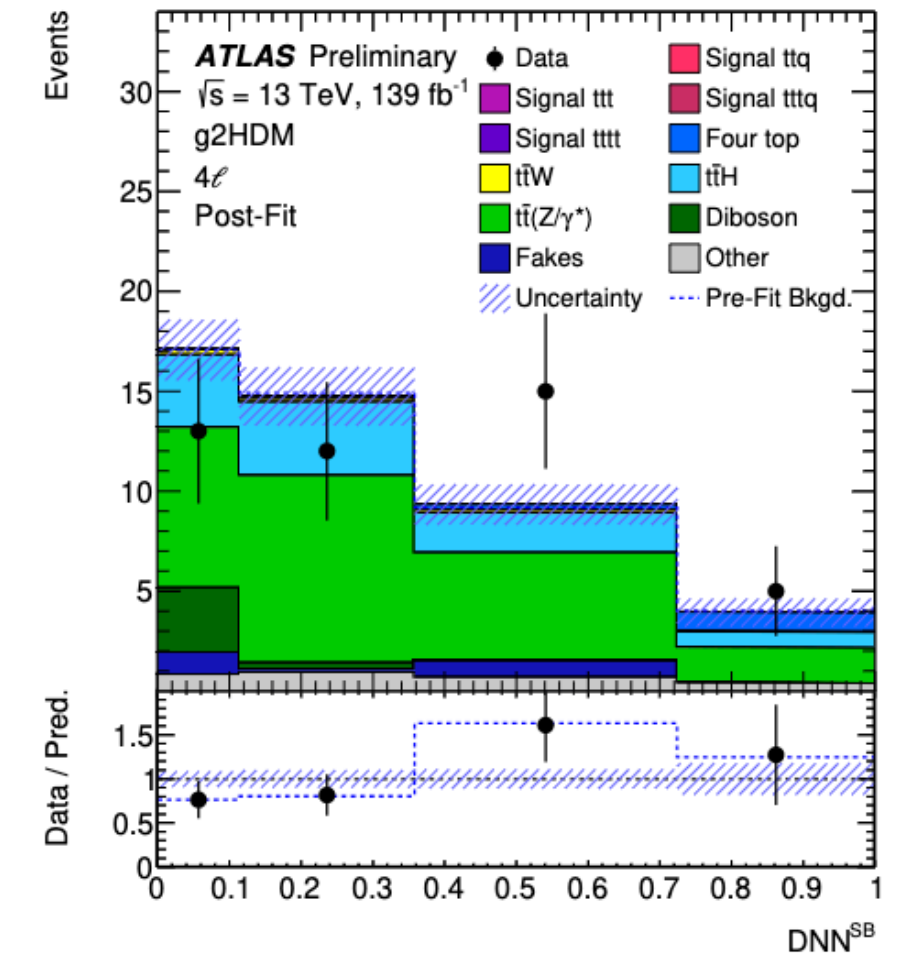
(d)



(e)



(f)



$$\hat{\lambda}_e^{\text{Mat Conv}} = 1.16 \pm 0.29$$

$$\hat{\lambda}_\mu^{\text{had}} = 0.92 \pm 0.18$$

$$\hat{\lambda}_e^{\text{had}} = 1.05 \pm 0.31$$

$$\hat{\lambda}_{t\bar{t}W} = 1.50 \pm 0.14$$

$$\hat{\lambda}_{VV} = 0.85 \pm 0.30$$

$$\hat{\lambda}_{t\bar{t}Z} = 0.97 \pm 0.19$$

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The sample used to model the $t\bar{t}W$ ($t\bar{t}Z/\gamma^*$) background was generated using SHERPA-2.2.10 [79] (SHERPA-2.2.11), where the matrix element (ME) was calculated for up to one (zero) additional parton at next-to-leading-order (NLO) in QCD and up to two partons at LO in QCD using COMIX [80] and OPENLOOPS [81] and merged with the SHERPA parton shower (PS) [82] using the MEPS@NLO prescription [83], with a CKKW merging scale of 30 GeV for the $t\bar{t}W$ sample. These samples are generated using the NNPDF3.0nnlo [84] PDF set. Both the factorisation and renormalisation scales are set to $\mu_r = \mu_f = m_T/2$ in the $t\bar{t}W$ sample, where m_T is defined as the scalar sum of the transverse masses $\sqrt{m^2 + p_T^2}$ of the particles generated from the ME calculation. The LO $t\bar{t}W$ electroweak (EW) contributions are obtained from a dedicated sample simulated with SHERPA-2.2.10. The invariant mass of the lepton pair ($m_{\ell^+\ell^-}$) in the $t\bar{t}Z/\gamma^*$ sample is set to be greater than 1 GeV. The complete $t\bar{t}W$ simulation is normalised to the total cross section of $\sigma(t\bar{t}W) = 614.7$ fb that comes from the SHERPA configuration outlined above considering NLO QCD and NLO EWK effects, based on a similar strategy as used in Ref. [85]. The $t\bar{t}Z/\gamma^*$ sample is normalised to the cross section $\sigma(t\bar{t}Z/\gamma^*) = 839$ fb, calculated at NLO QCD and NLO EW accuracy using MADGRAPH5_AMC@NLO [86] and scaled by an off-shell correction estimated at one-loop level in α_s .