

## Higgs boson: current status from the experiment side



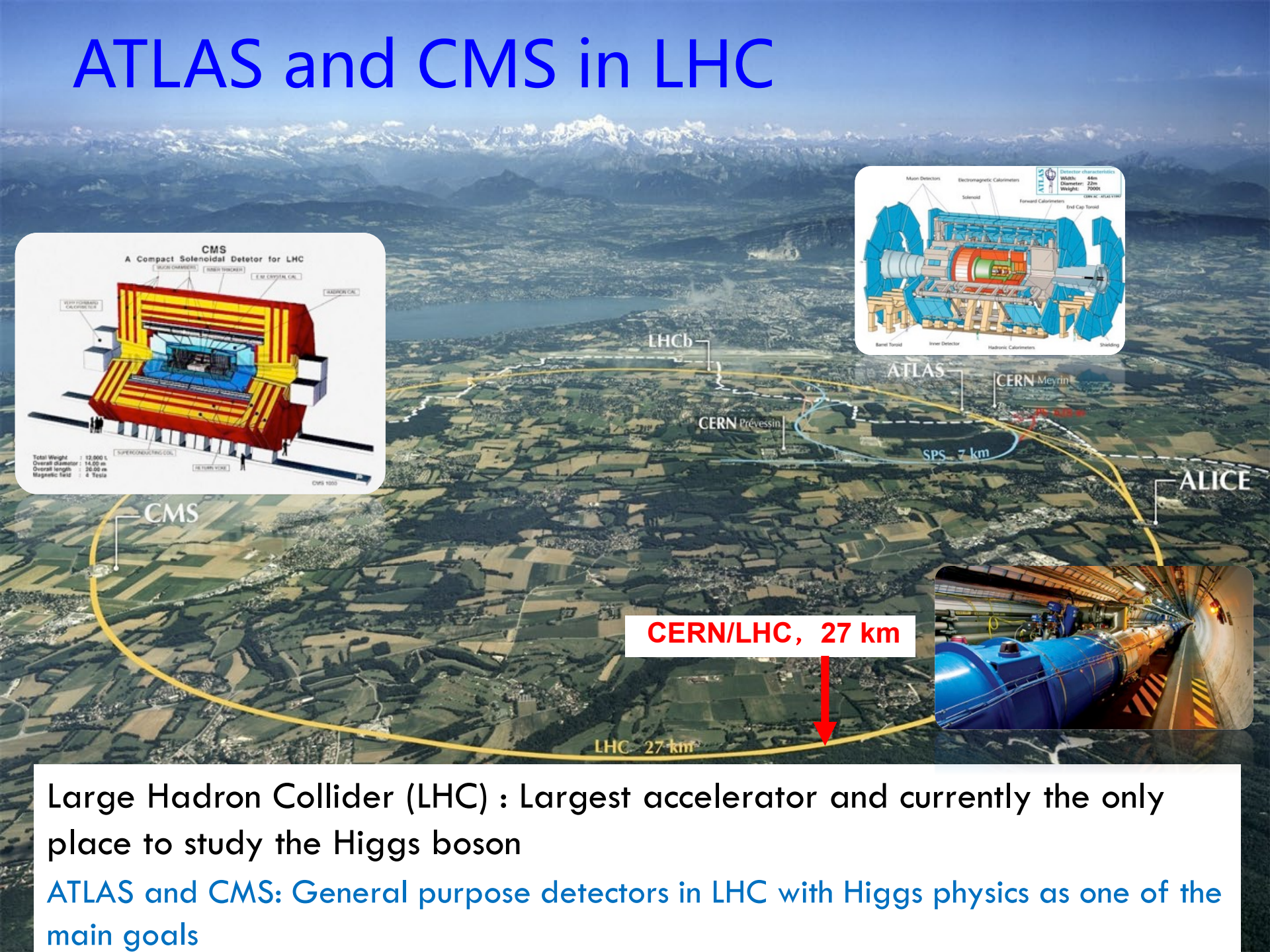
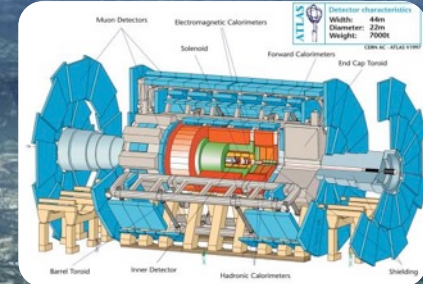
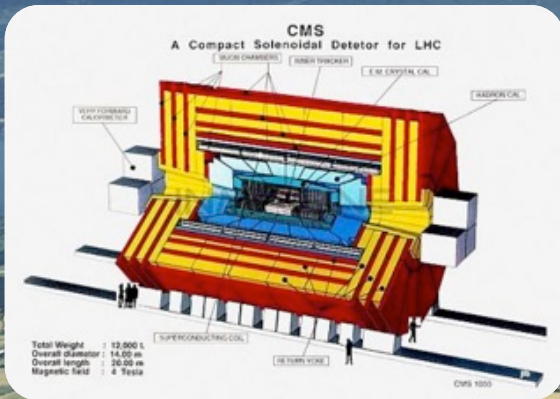
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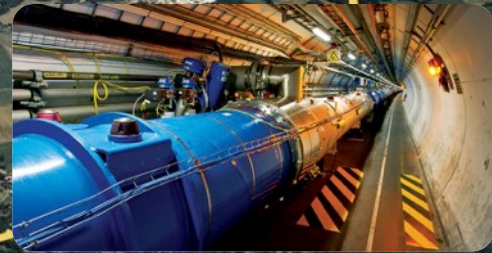
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# ATLAS and CMS in LHC



**CERN/LHC, 27 km**



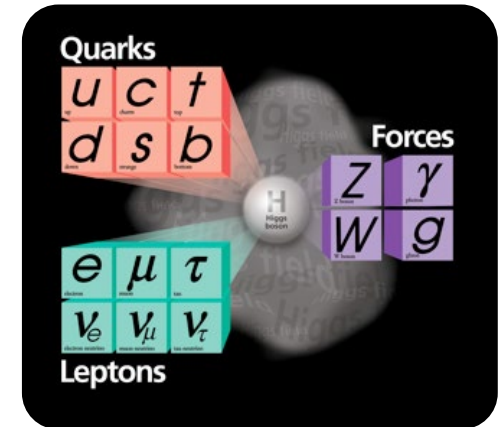
Large Hadron Collider (LHC) : Largest accelerator and currently the only place to study the Higgs boson

ATLAS and CMS: General purpose detectors in LHC with Higgs physics as one of the main goals

# Higgs physics

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- The discovery of Higgs boson in 2012 by ATLAS and CMS experiments in LHC
  - A great success of the Standard Model (SM)
  - Opens a new era of particle physics
    - Opportunities to better understanding of electroweak symmetry breaking and test of Standard Model precision
    - Windows for new physics searches
      - Many important questions remain unanswered in SM:
        - neutrino mass, hierarchy problem, matter – antimatter asymmetry, the nature of dark matter and dark energy etc.
      - Higgs physics could be the key to answer these questions
- LHC Run 2 provided more statistics allowing for more precise measurements of Higgs properties including
  - Higgs production cross-sections, couplings, mass, width, CP, Higgs self-coupling

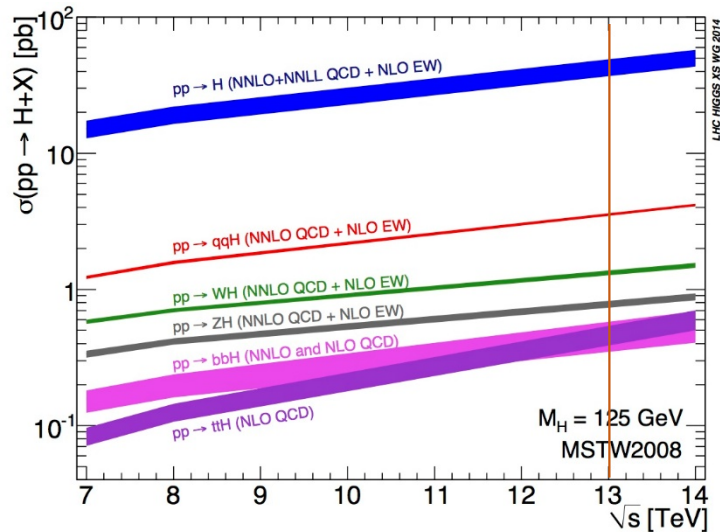


# Higgs production cross section and couplings

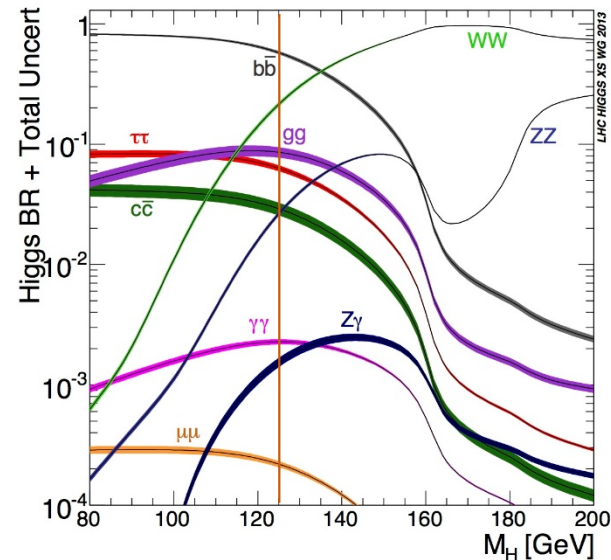
# Higgs production cross section and coupling measurements

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## Higgs production



## Higgs decay

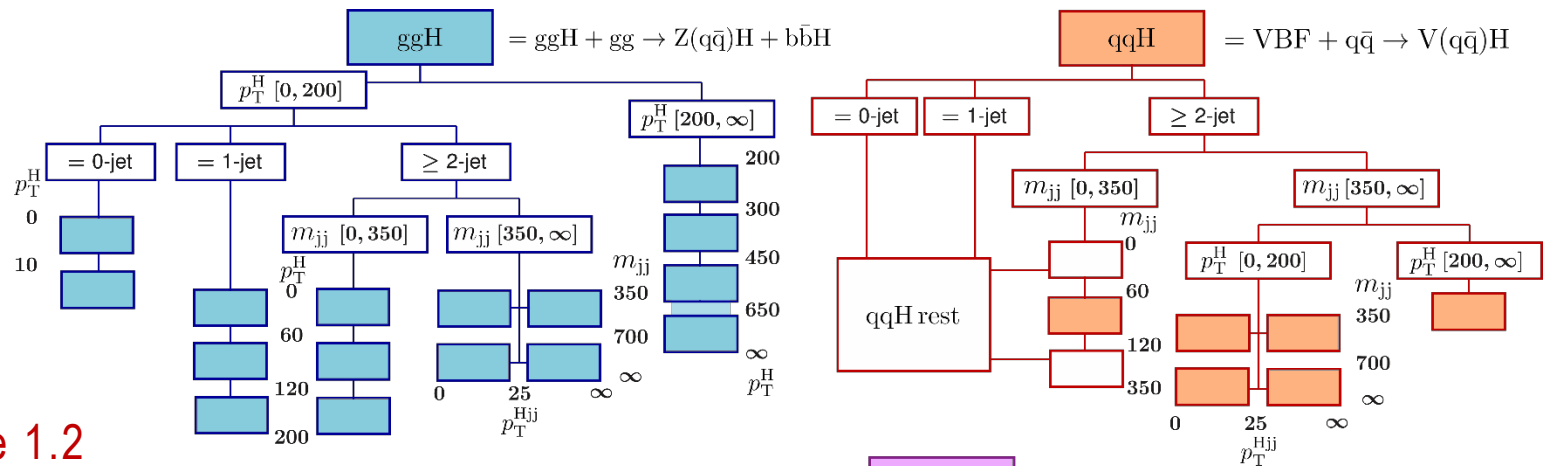


- Measurements of the Higgs production cross sections and couplings
  - Excellent tests of SM
  - Probe anomalies from BSM contributions
- All main production processes and decay channels established
- Now studying Higgs with more precise measurements and looking for rare corners
  - Finer phase-space regions, more differential, exploring extreme kinematics
  - Couplings to second generation fermions, rare decay channels

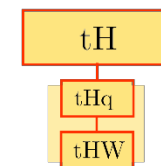
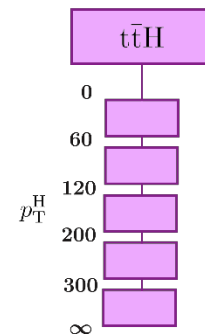
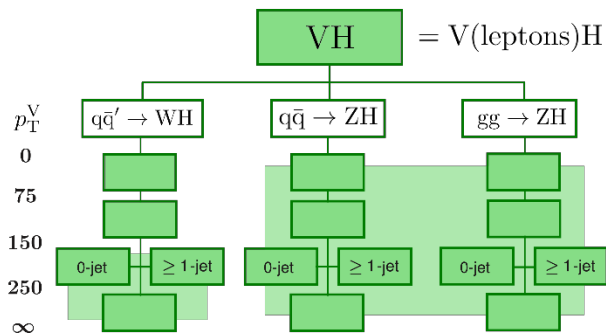
# Simplified template cross section in Run2

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- Simplified template cross section (STXS) framework further splits production mode cross-sections into various phase-space regions (bins)
  - Look into more details of the SM prediction
  - Isolate regions sensitive to Beyond Standard Model (BSM) effects
  - Increase the bin granularity with more data, defined as different stages
    - Refined STXS bins with stage 1.2 for recent Higgs measurements



Stage 1.2



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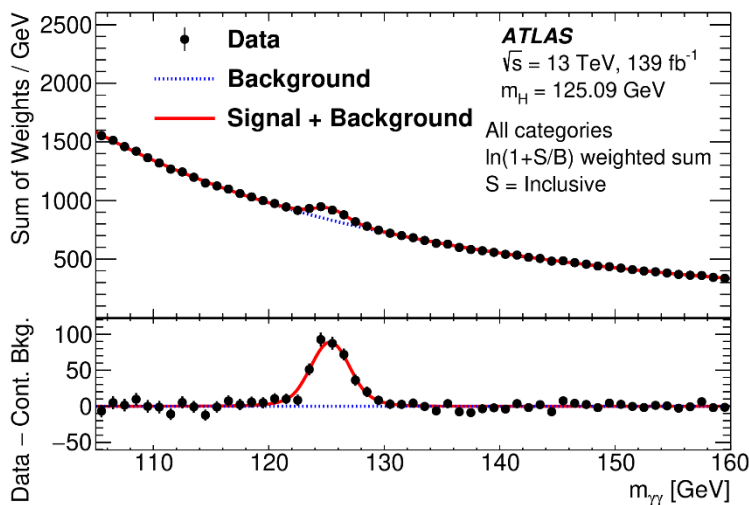
# Higgs $\rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ analysis

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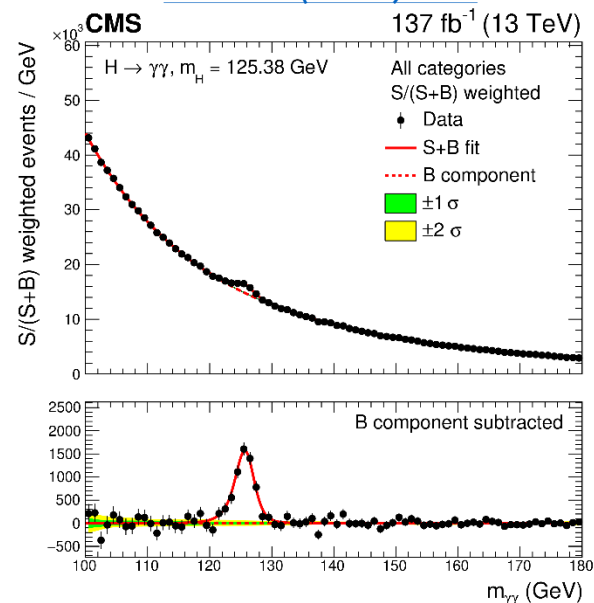
- Higgs  $\rightarrow \gamma\gamma$  channel with small branching ratio (BR) but very clean signature
  - Benefit from the excellent photon resolution in ATLAS and CMS
  - Distinct narrow signal peak over continuous backgrounds
- Events selected to match STXS bins and categorized for sensitivity
  - Events classified using multi-class Boosted Decision Trees (BDTs) methods or simple cuts to match STXS bins
  - Separate MVAs or categorization used to maximum signal significance in each event class
- Cross sections extracted by fitting signal and background models to mass spectrum of data

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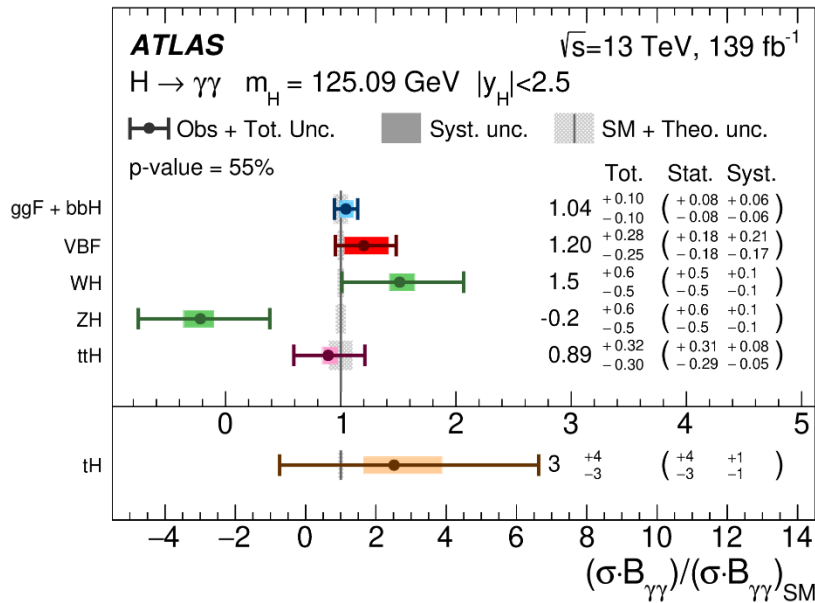


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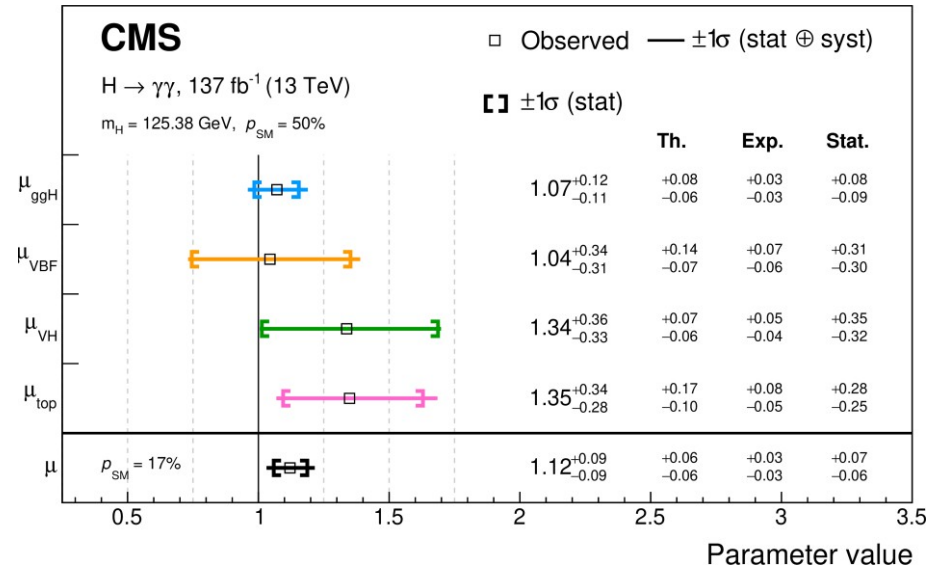


# Higgs $\rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ results

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- Total cross sections measured are at 10% level from both ATLAS and CMS.
- Systematic uncertainties smaller or comparable to the statistical uncertainties

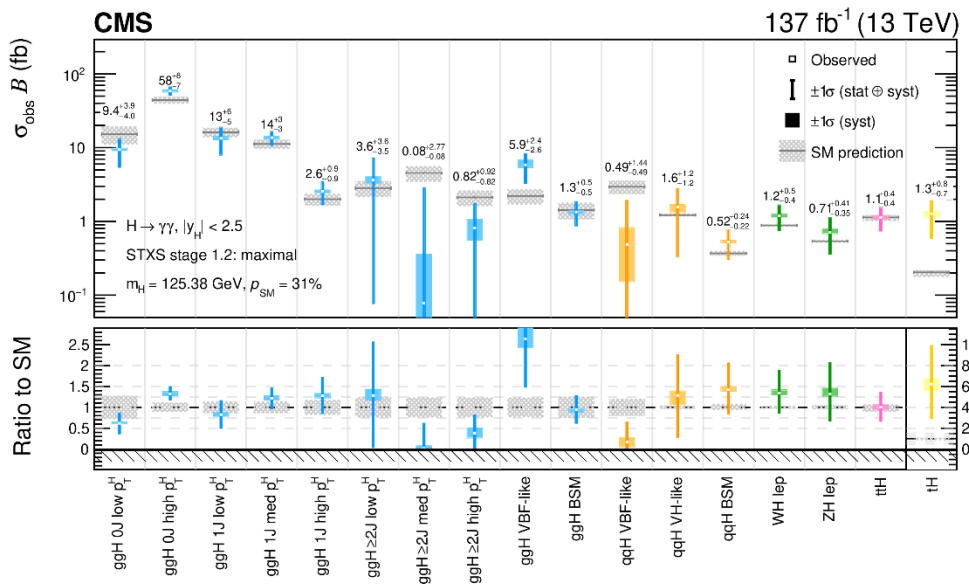


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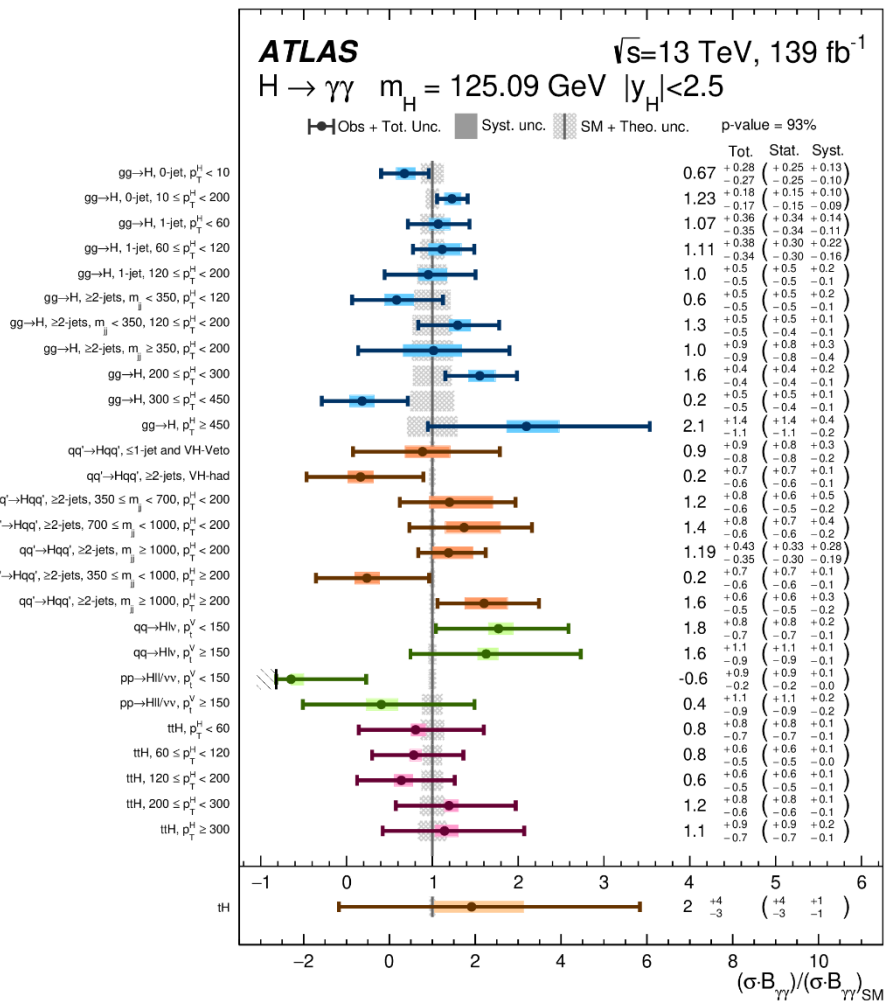
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- Good agreement between measured cross sections and SM predictions
- Reaching better sensitivity to more bins with full Run2 data
- ttH is firstly measured in 5  $p_T^H$  bins

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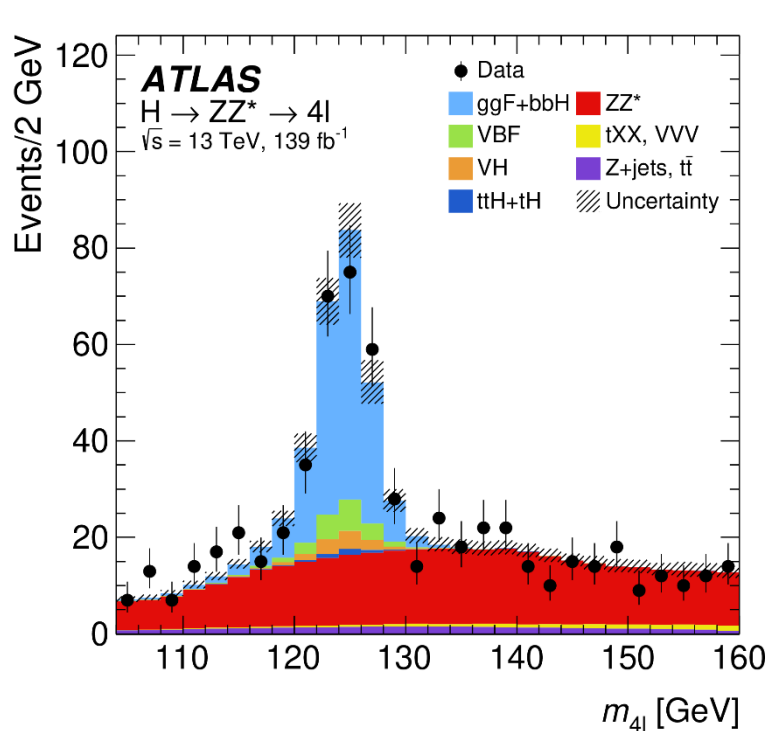
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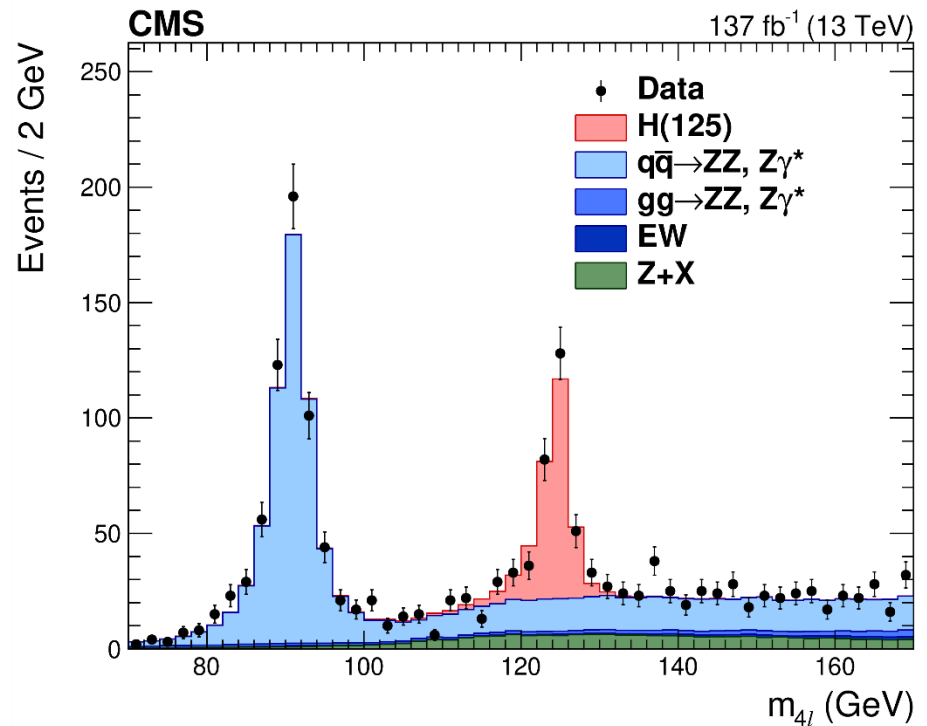
# Higgs $\rightarrow$ ZZ $\rightarrow$ 4l analysis

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- Final states features with 4 leptons from ZZ decay
  - large signal-to-background ratio with low background rate
  - complete reconstruction of the final state products with good lepton resolution
- Main background from non-resonant ZZ production



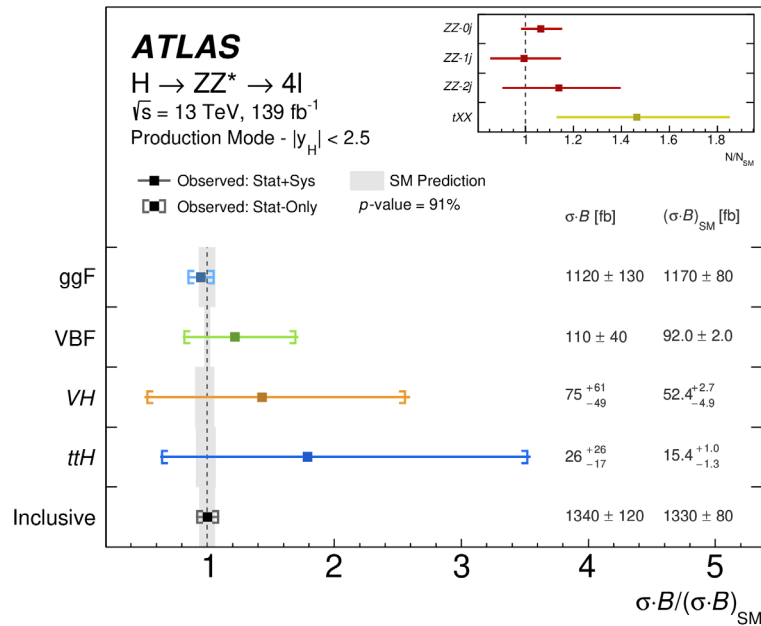
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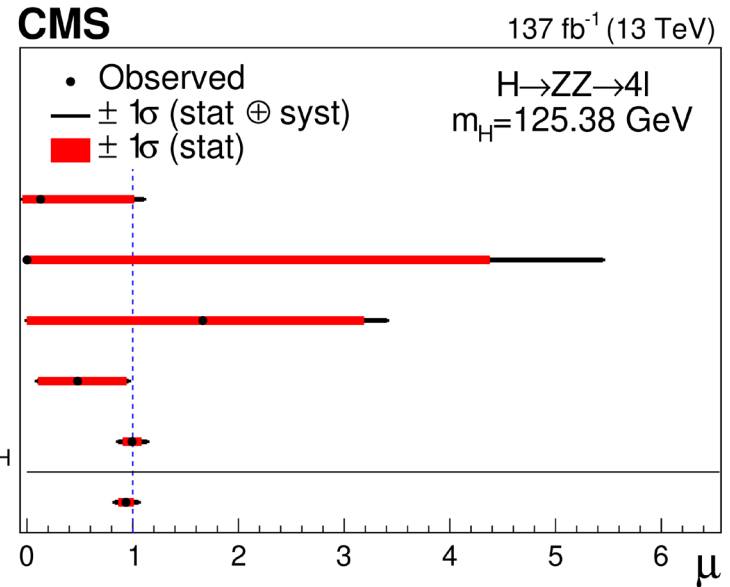
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# Higgs $\rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 4l$ results

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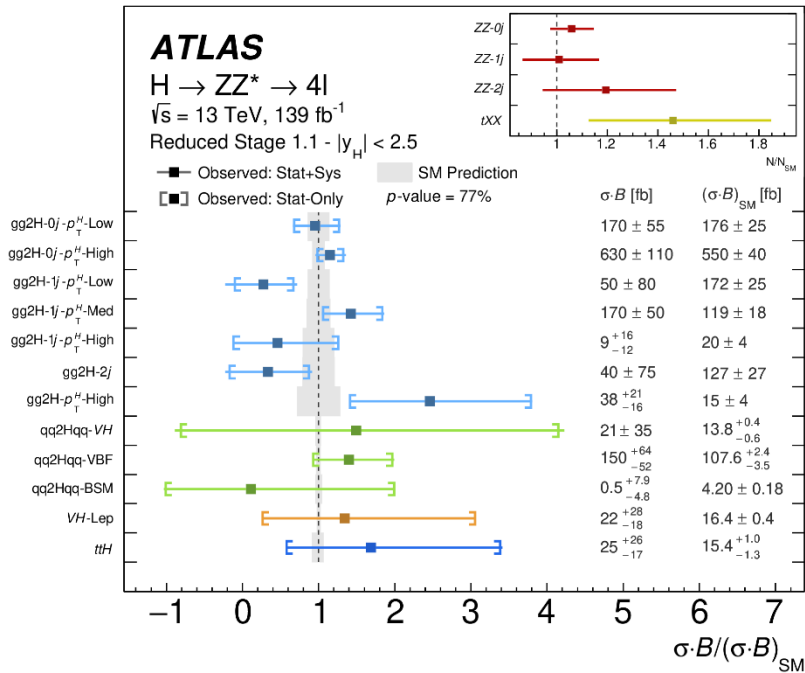


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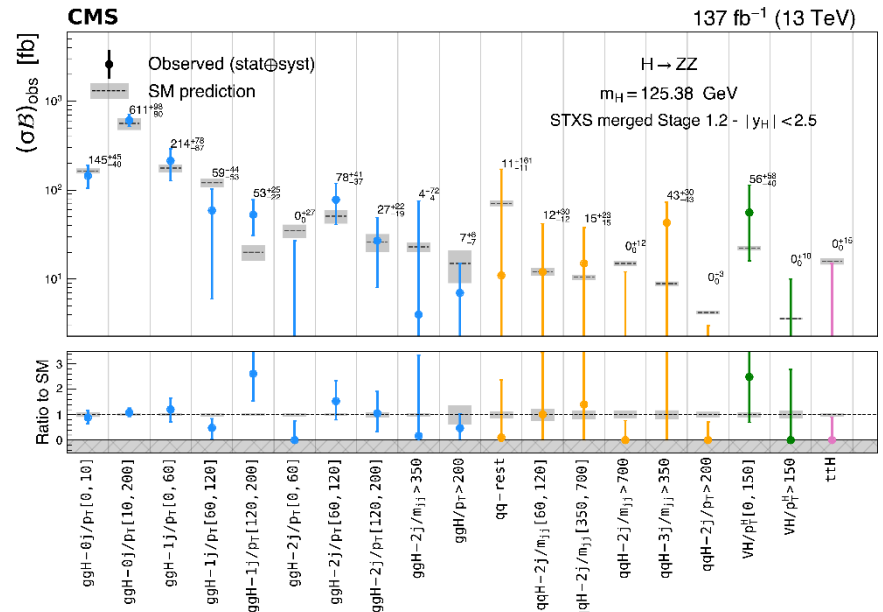
- ⊙ Inclusive measurements with  $\sim 10\%$  uncertainties
- ⊙ Results agree well with SM predictions

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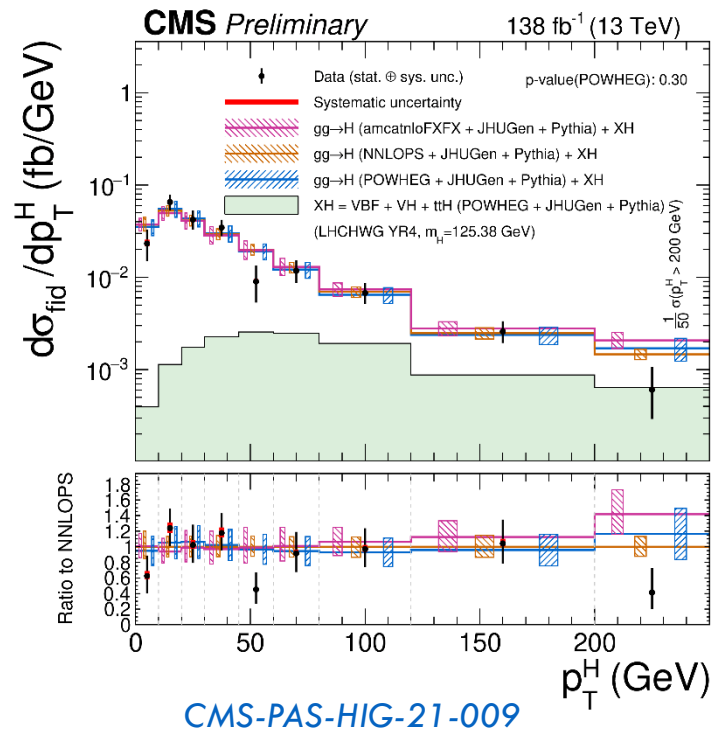
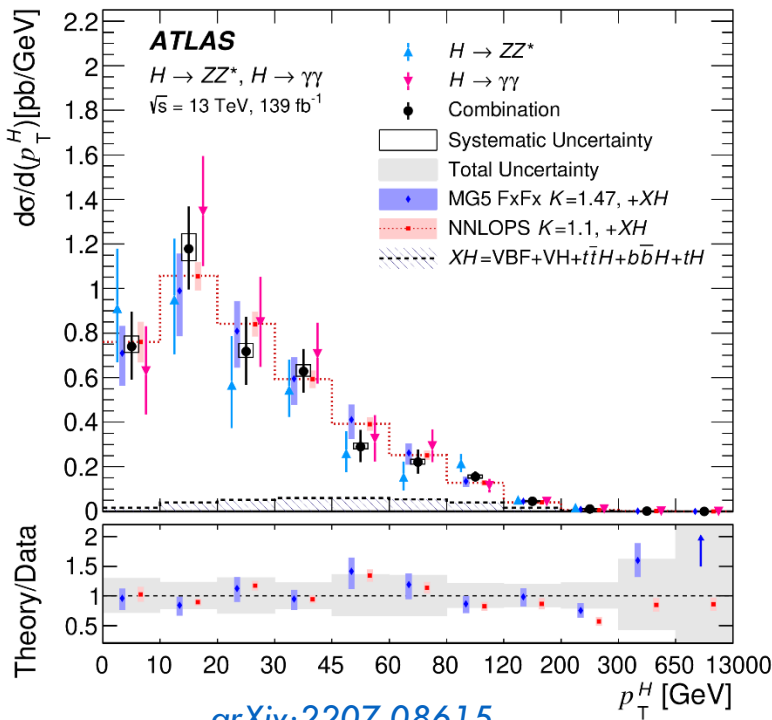
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- STXS results also show good compatibility with SM
- Precision limited by statistics

# Higgs $\rightarrow$ ZZ differential cross sections

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- Measured in fiducial volume defined to match experimental selections
  - Reduce detector effects, model independent
- Measurements of XS as function of several observables
  - Looking in to details of kinematics
  - Sensitive to BSM effects

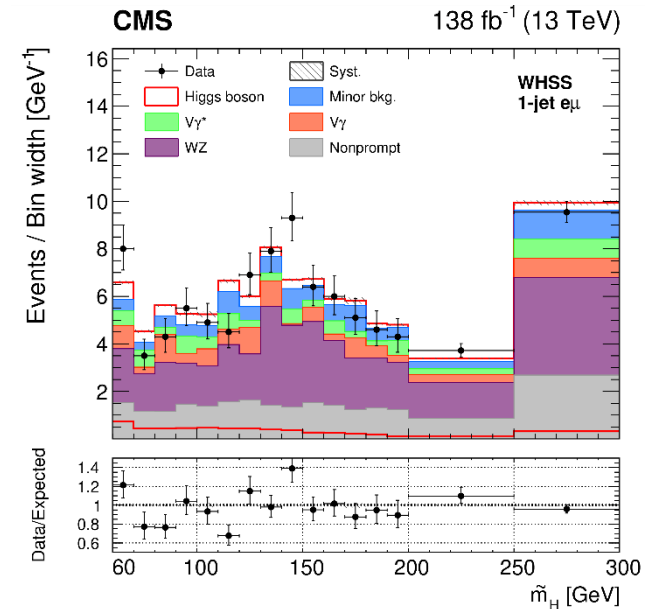
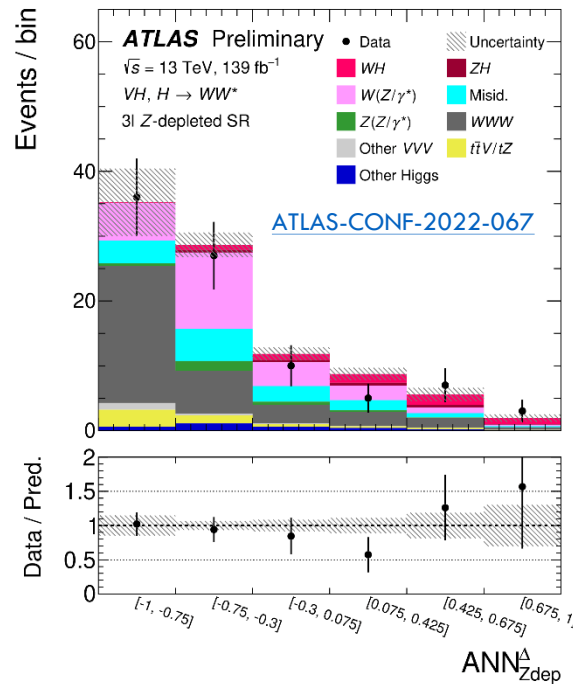
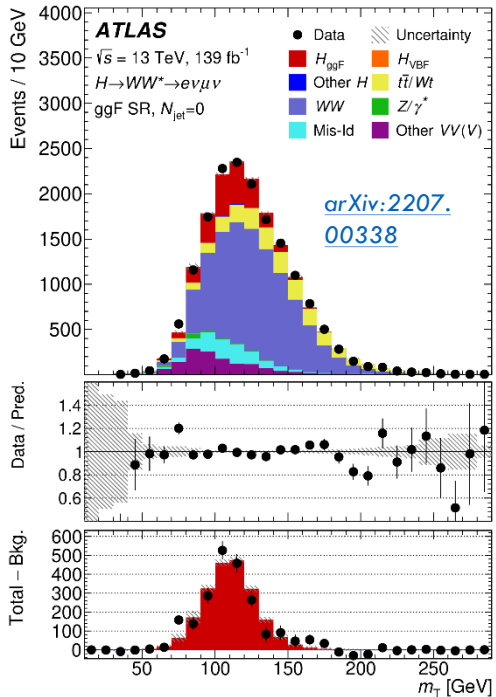


Results statistic limited, observation consistent with SM

# $H \rightarrow WW^*$ results

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- $H \rightarrow WW^*$  with higher branching ratios and complex background
  - Study gluon fusion, vector boson fusion, and associate production with a W or Z boson
  - Targeting events with at least one leptonically decaying W boson
- Exploring various MVA approaches and kinematic fitting to reject backgrounds and extract signals
  - ATLAS:  $m_T$  in ggH, NN in qqH, ANN, RNN and BDT in VH
  - CMS: counting,  $m_{ll}$ ,  $\tilde{m}_H$ , BDT, DNN

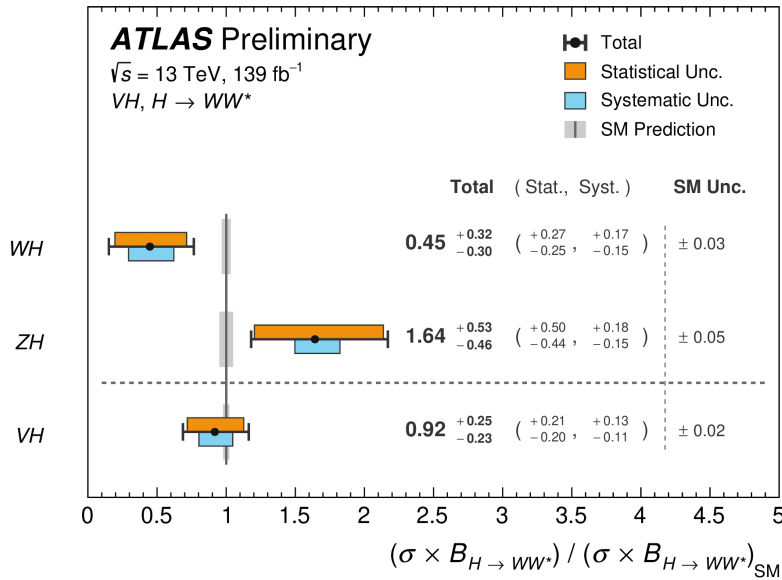


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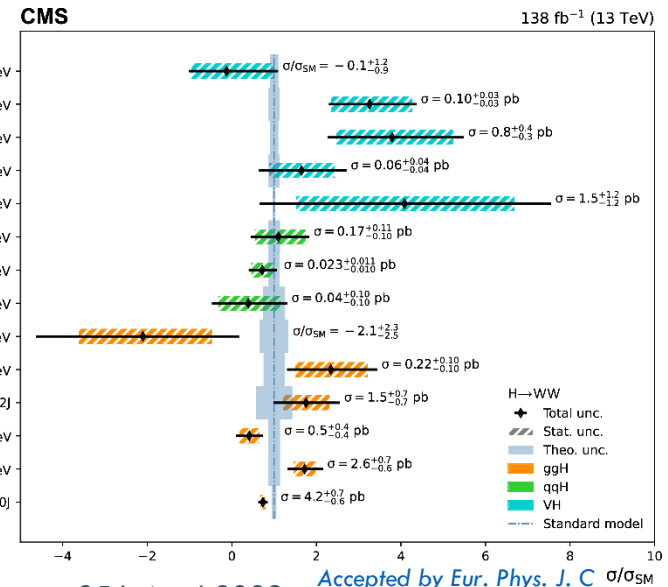
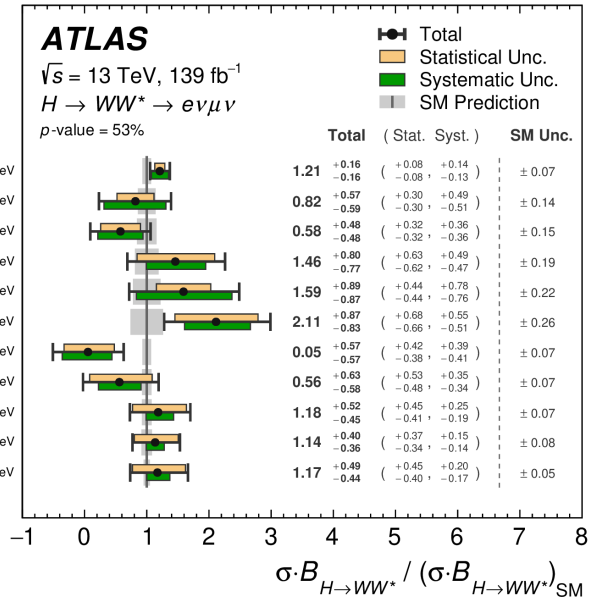
# $H \rightarrow WW^*$ results

- Increased data statistics provide analysis sensitivity in ggF and VBF STXS bins
- Direct probe of HV coupling, kinematics sensitive to BSM effects

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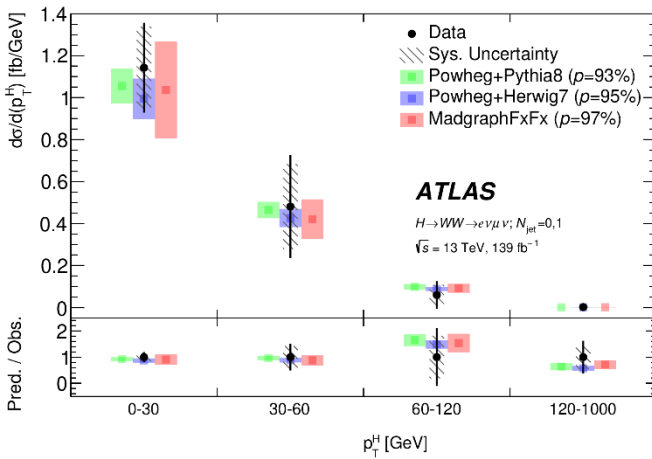


# $H \rightarrow WW^*$ results

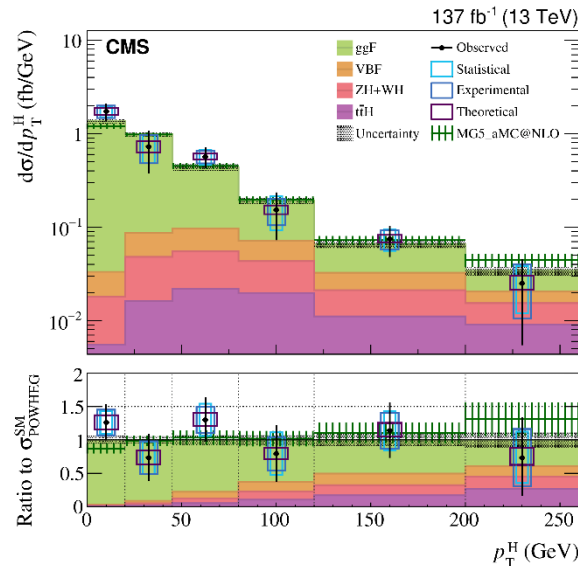
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- Differential XS measured in ggF and VBF production modes
- Extended with EFT interpretations
  - SMEFT Wilson coefficients from CP-even and CP-odd operators obtained with only one Wilson coefficient left floating at a time

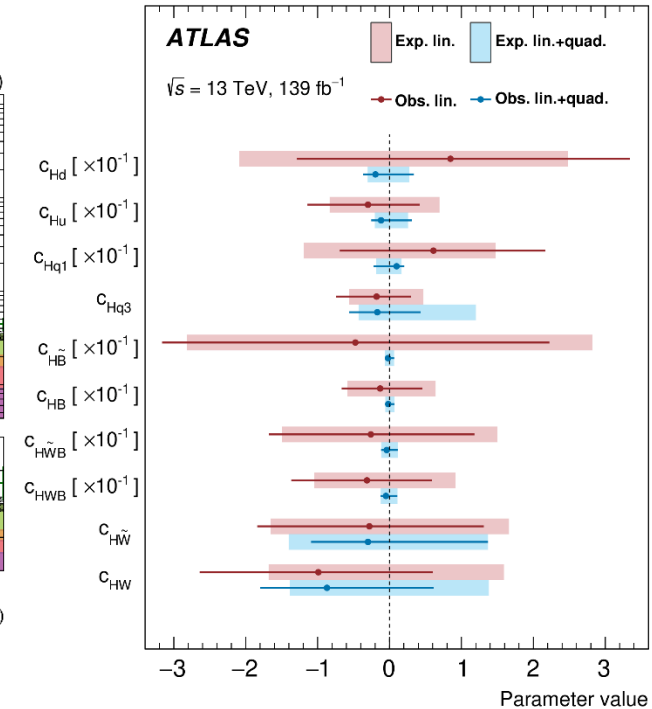
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# $H \rightarrow bb$ results

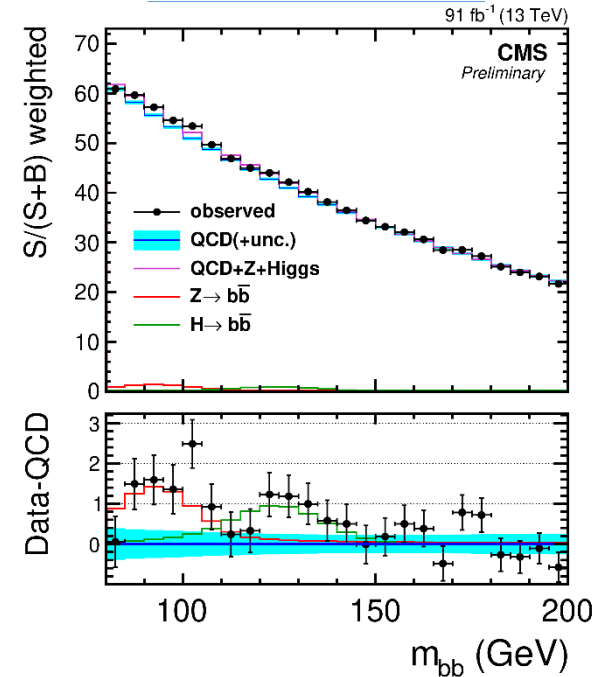
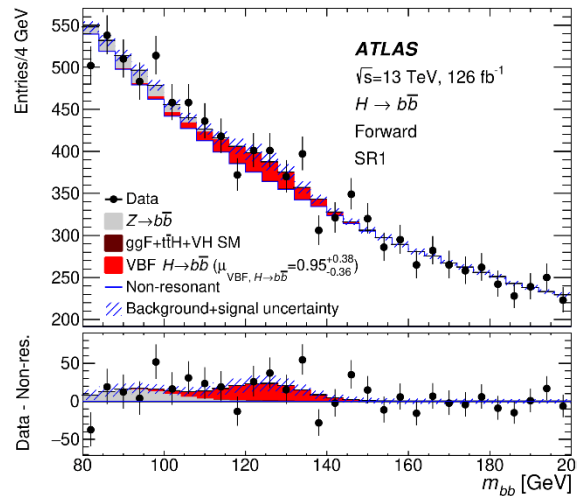
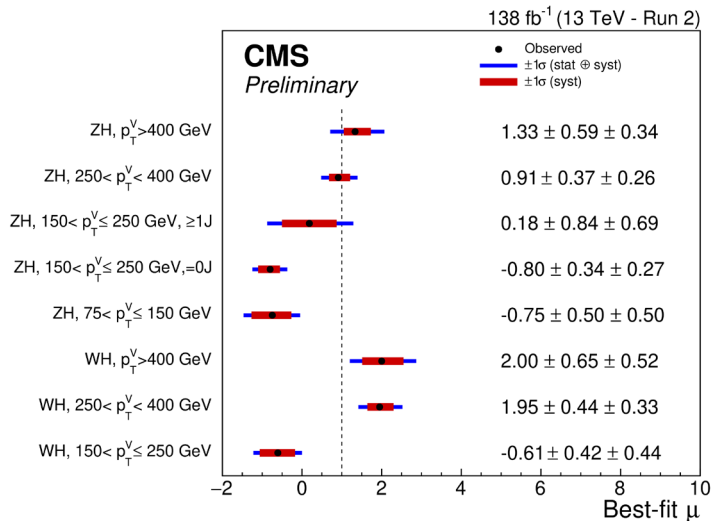
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- $H \rightarrow bb$  with largest branching ratio and suffers from large multijet-QCD background
  - ATLAS/CMS VHbb: studied both resolved and boosted topologies
  - ATLAS/CMS VBFbb: multiple event categories based on the BDT response, targeting VBF, ggH and Z(bb) + jets processes

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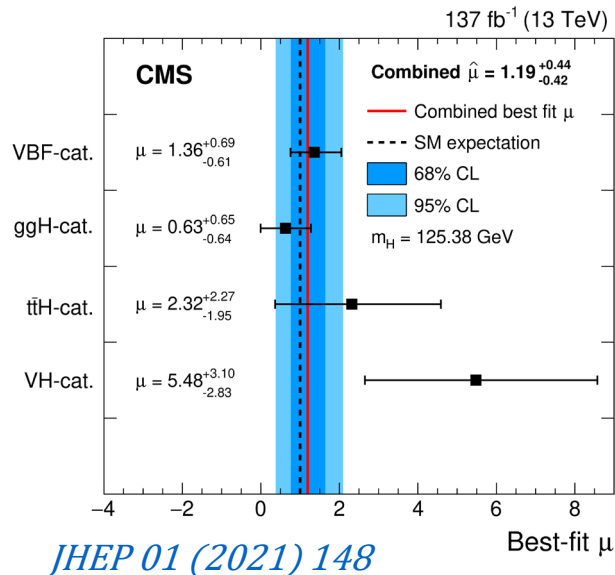
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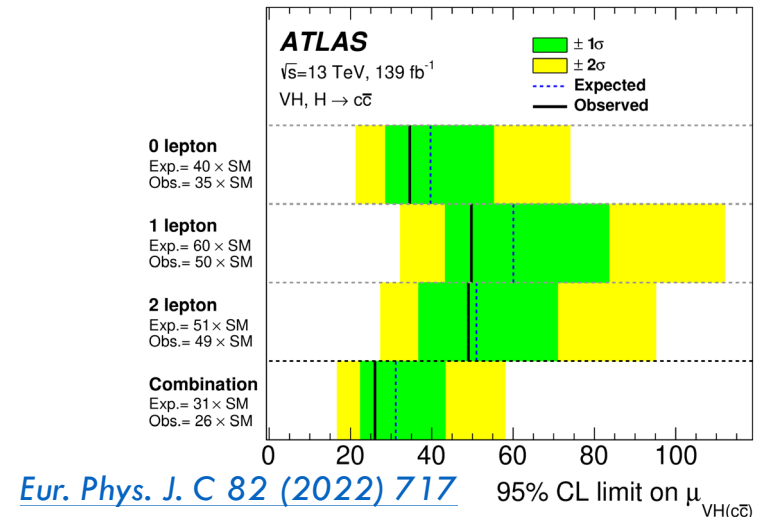
# Coupling to second generation fermions

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- $H \rightarrow \mu\mu$ 
  - Very small branching ratio (0.02%)
  - Very good resolution
- ATLAS:** [Phys. Lett. B 812\(2021\) 135980](#)
  - $\mu = 1.2 \pm 0.6$
  - 2  $\sigma$  significance
- CMS:** [JHEP 01 \(2021\) 148](#)
  - $\mu = 1.19^{+0.40}_{-0.39}$  (stat.)  $^{+0.15}_{-0.14}$  (syst.)
  - 3  $\sigma$  significance !**



- $H \rightarrow c\bar{c}$ 
  - small branching ratio (3%)
  - Large QCD backgrounds
- ATLAS:** [Eur. Phys. J. C 82 \(2022\) 717](#)
  - Observed (expected) upper limit at 95% C.L.
    - 26 (31) times the SM prediction
- CMS Resolved:** [accepted by PRL](#)
  - Upper limits: 14 (7.6) times the SM prediction
- CMS Boosted:** [accepted by PRL](#)
  - Upper limits: 47 (39) times the SM prediction



# Combined Higgs coupling measurements

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- Maximum Higgs production cross section and coupling analysis sensitivity with combination of different Higgs production and decays
- Recent results with full Run2 dataset produced by ATLAS and CMS for the 10 year anniversary of the Higgs boson discovery
  - All main Higgs production and decay channels covered with addition of rare channels

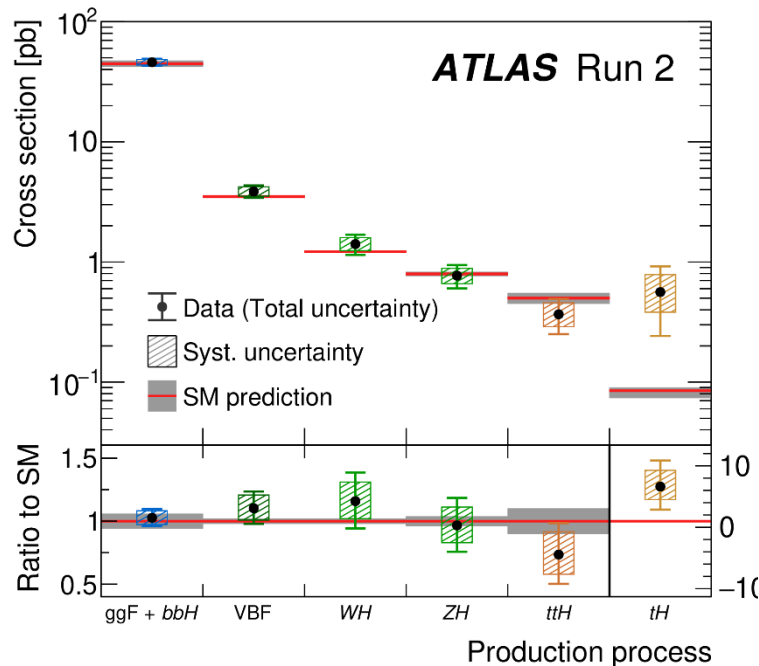
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<a href="#">H(ZZ)</a>	138	X	X	X	X
<a href="#">H(WW)</a>	138	X	X	X	X
<a href="#">H(Zγ)</a>	138	X	X		
H(bb)	<a href="#">36(ttH)</a> <a href="#">77(VH)</a> <a href="#">138(ggH)</a>	X	X	X	X
<a href="#">H(ττ)</a>	138	X	X	X	X
<a href="#">ttH multilepton(ττ, WW, and ZZ)</a>	138				X
<a href="#">H(μμ)</a>	138	X	X		X
<a href="#">H(invisible)</a>	138	X	X	X	

# Higgs production signal strength

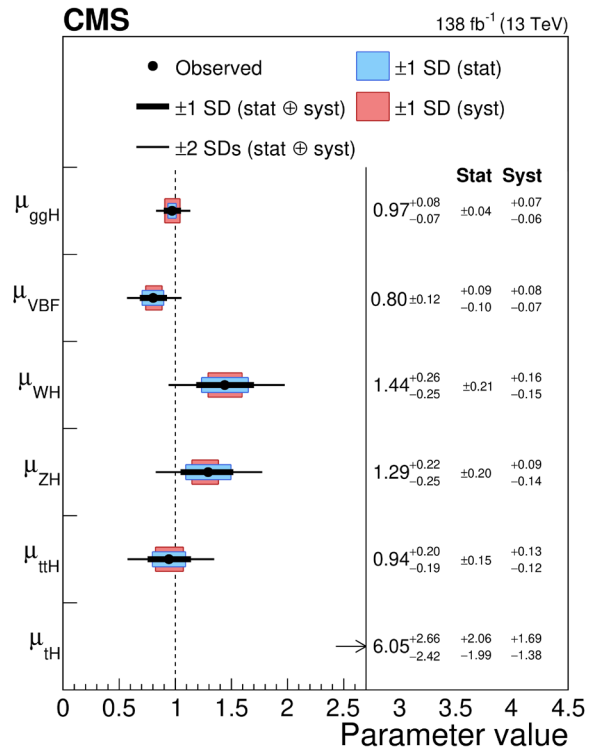
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- Signal strength: ratio of the measured cross section and the SM expectation
- Global signal strength measured for all production and decays together
  - ATLAS:  $\mu = 1.05 \pm 0.03(\text{stat.}) \pm 0.03(\text{exp.}) \pm 0.04(\text{sig. th.}) \pm 0.02(\text{bkg. th.})$
  - CMS:  $\mu = 1.002 \pm 0.029(\text{stat.}) \pm 0.033(\text{exp.}) \pm 0.036(\text{theory})$
- Signal strength per production mode

All good agreement with SM



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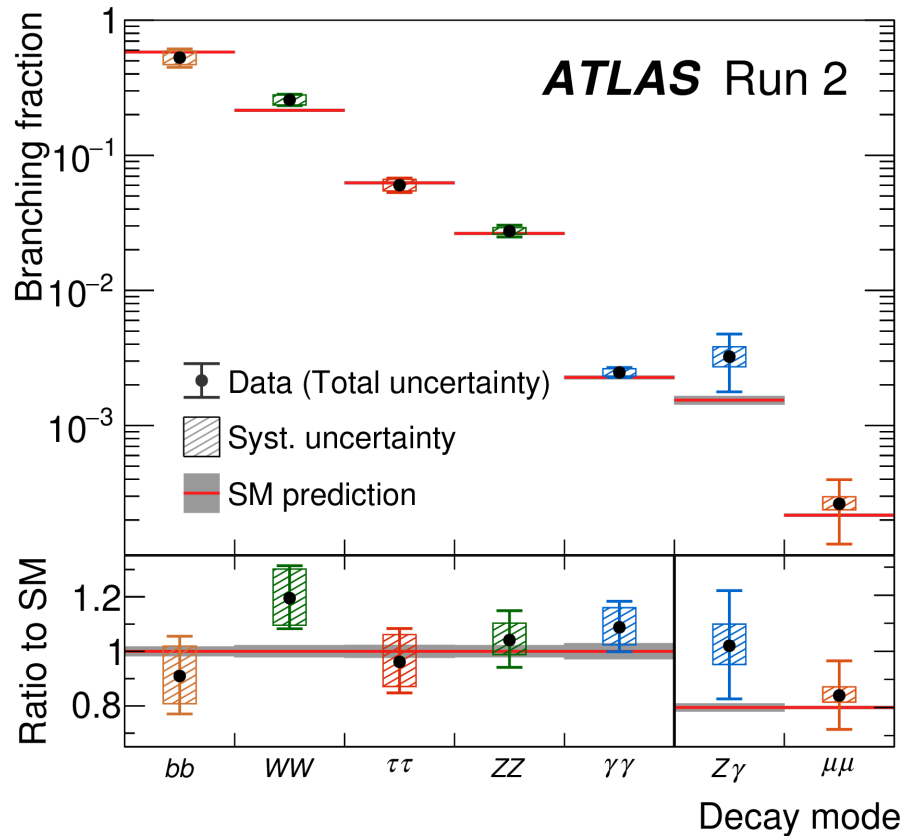
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- Systematics uncertainties becomes comparable to statistic uncertainties

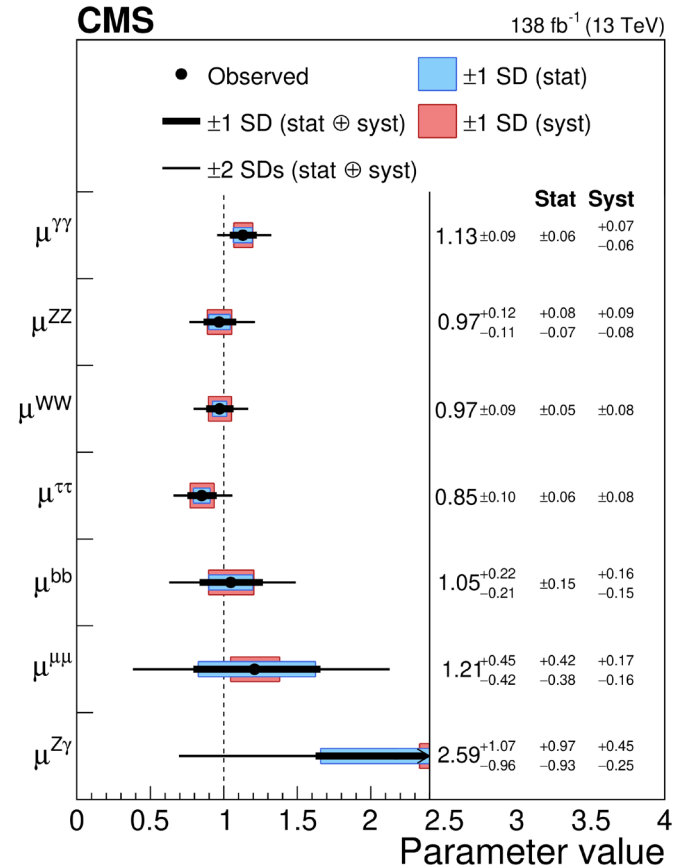
# Higgs decay signal strength

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- Signal strength per decay channel
- Leading 5 main decay modes observed with more than  $5\sigma$  significance



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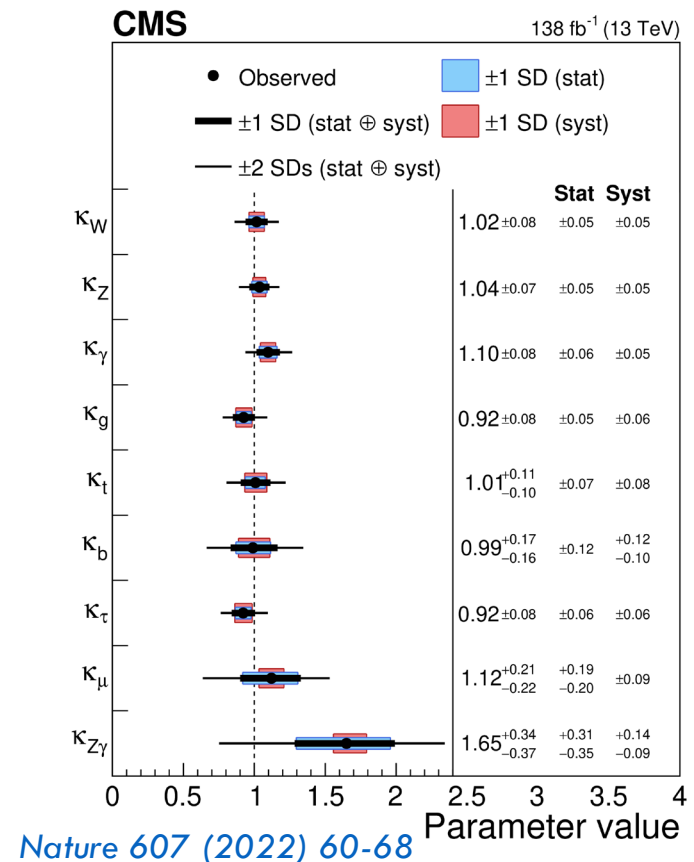
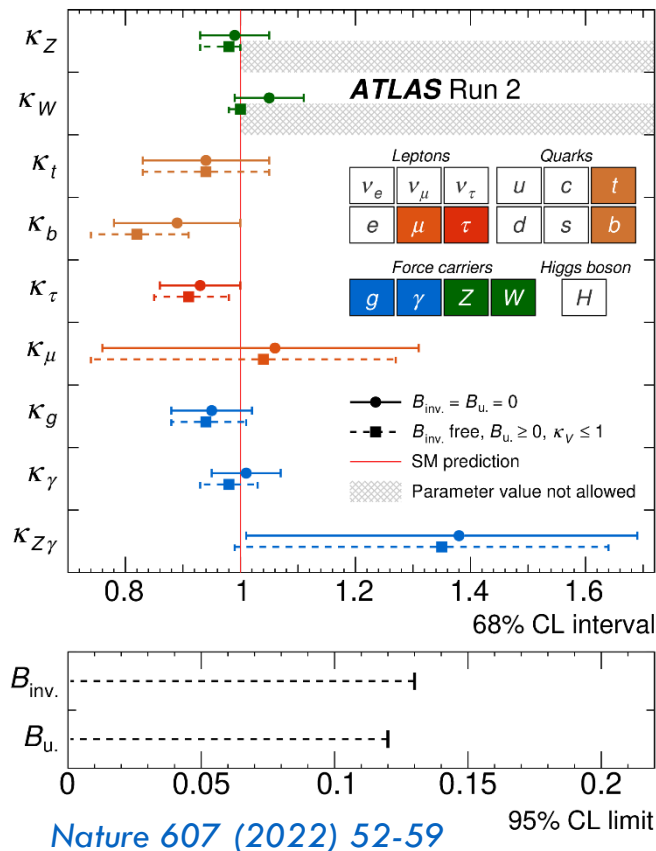
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Observations agree well with SM prediction

# $\kappa$ framework

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- Kappa framework: assign coupling modifier to each Higgs interaction vertex
  - Free floating in the combination of all production and decay modes
  - Flexible with assumptions that allows for the presence of non-SM particles in the loop induced processes

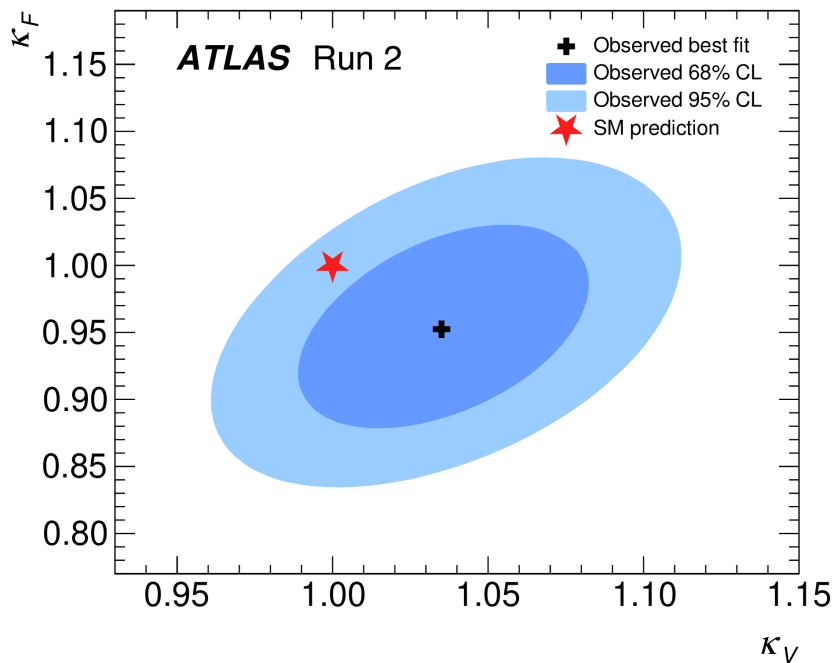


Results compatible with SM

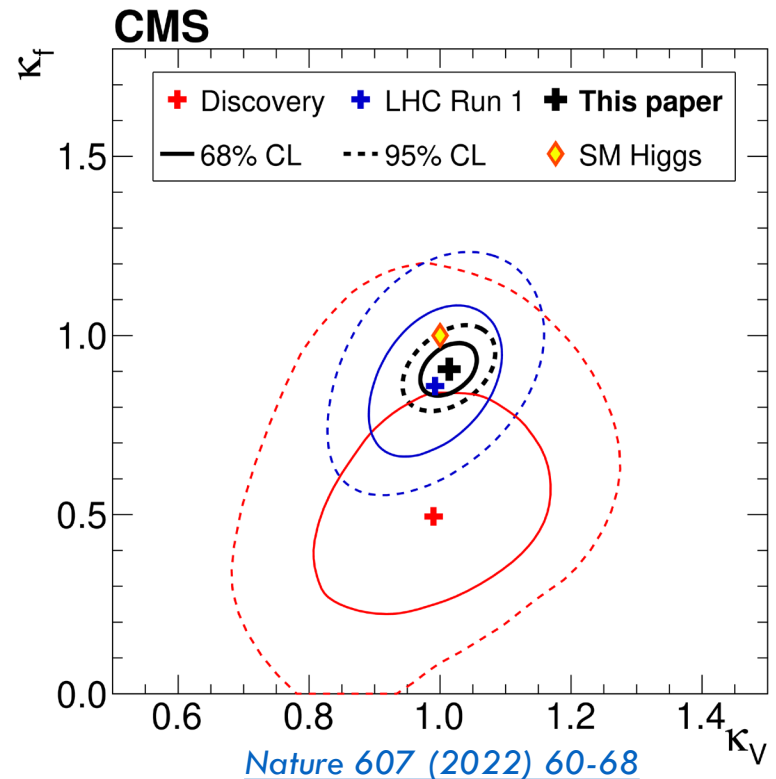
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- Single modifier for vector bosons  $k_V$  and single modifier for fermion coupling  $k_f$



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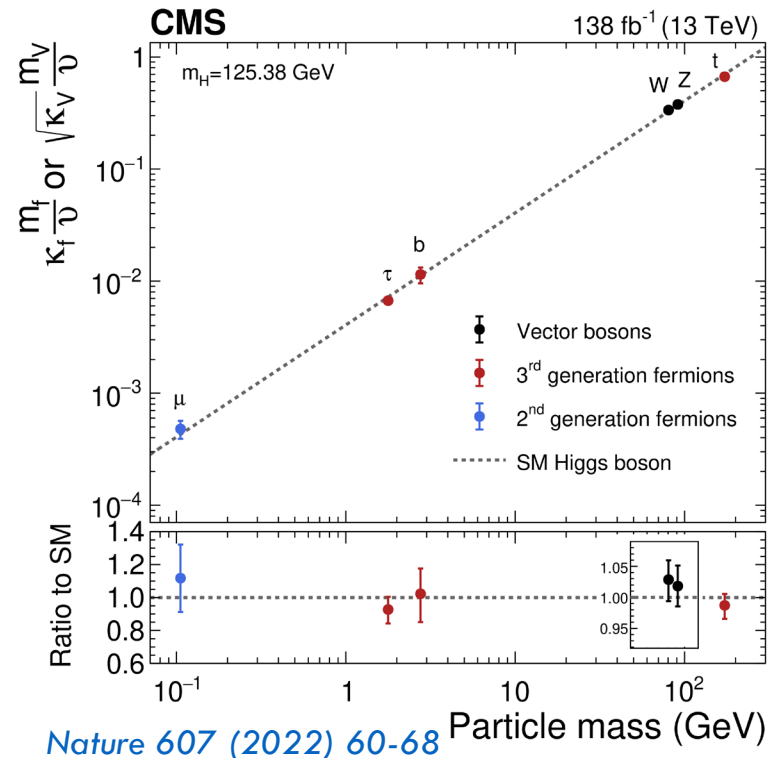
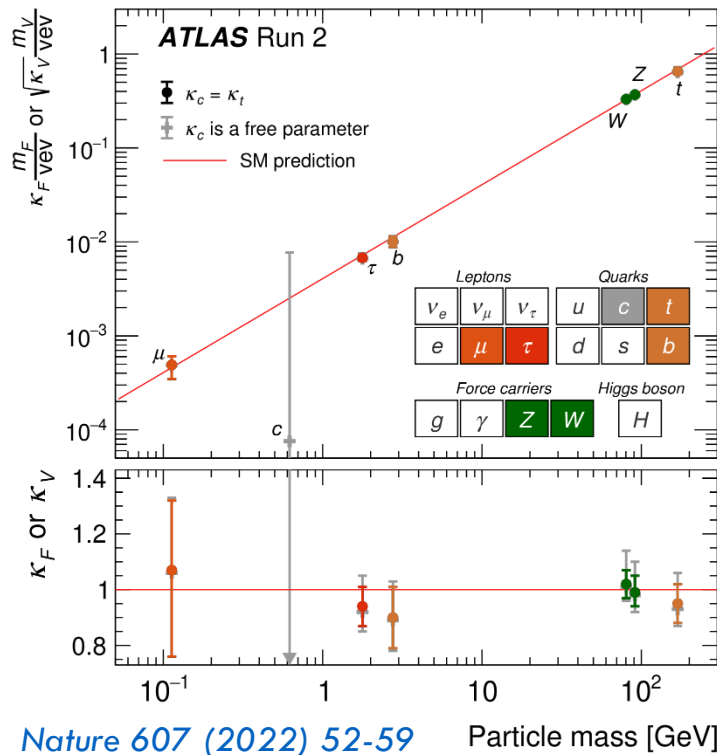


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- Observed results compatible with SM prediction within  $2\sigma$
- Significant improvement on sensitivity in Run2 comparing to discovery and Run 1

# Coupling versus mass

- Higgs couplings to individual particles well align with particle masses
  - ATLAS plot with two fit scenarios
    - $k_c = k_t$  (coloured circle markers), or  $k_c$  left free-floating in the fit (grey cross markers)
  - Loop-induced processes are assumed to have the SM structure
  - Assume no non-SM Higgs decays



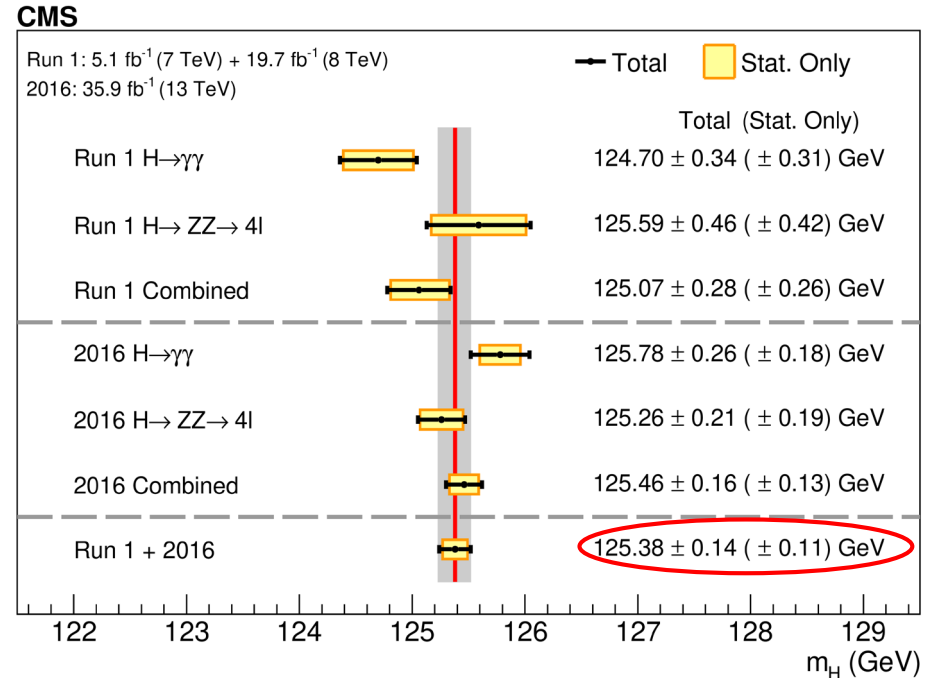
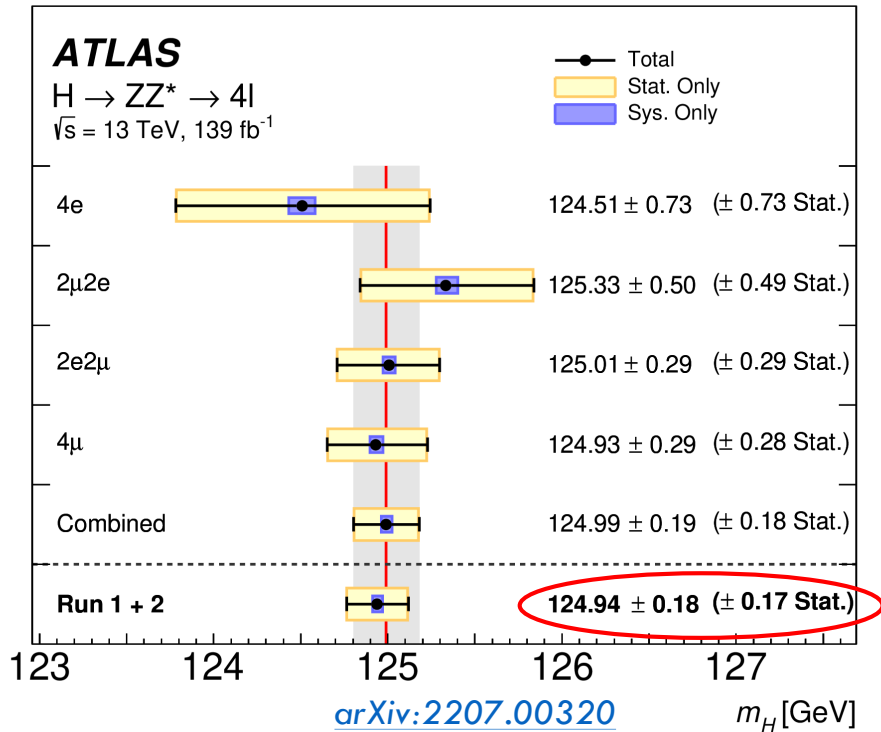


# Higgs mass and width

# Higgs mass measurements

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- Higgs mass is the only free parameter in SM Higgs sector
  - Determines Higgs production and decay rates
  - Tells the stability of the universe and its fate
- Higgs mass measured with  $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$  and  $H \rightarrow ZZ$  channels in ATLAS and CMS
  - Best mass resolution and complete reconstruction of the final state



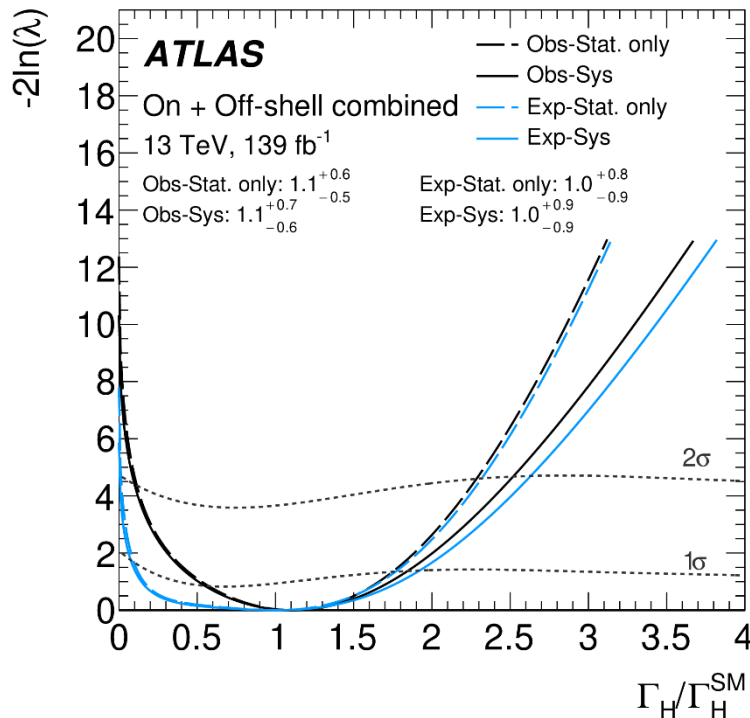
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# Higgs width

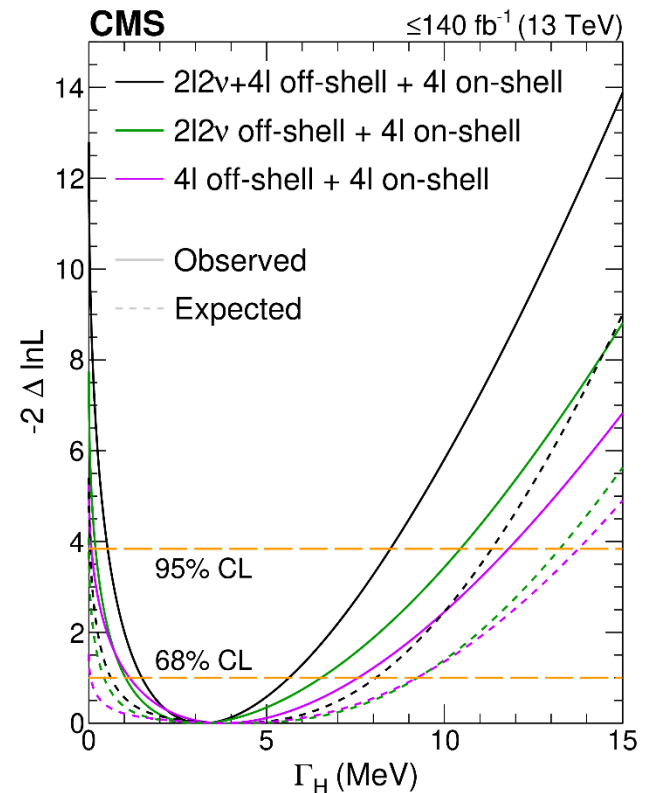
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- Difficult for direct measurement of Higgs width due to detector resolution
  - Detector resolution (1-2GeV)  $\gg$  Higgs width  $\Gamma_H$  (4.1MeV)
- Indirect measurement with  $H \rightarrow ZZ$  channel by comparing on-shell and off-shell productions

$$\frac{\Gamma_H}{\Gamma_H^{\text{SM}}} = \frac{\mu_{\text{off-shell}}}{\mu_{\text{on-shell}}}$$



$$\Gamma_H = 4.6^{+2.6}_{-2.5} \text{ MeV @ 68\% C.L.}$$



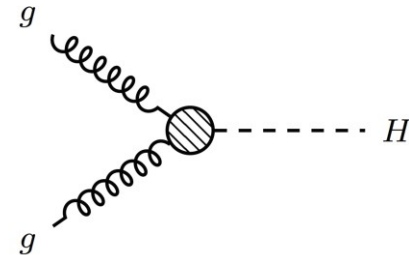
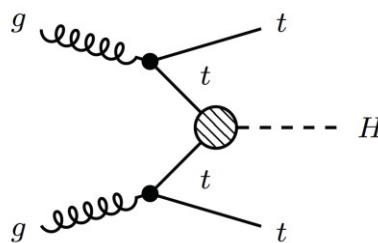
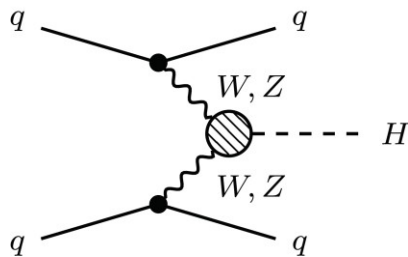
$$\Gamma_H = 3.2^{+2.4}_{-1.7} \text{ MeV @ 68\% C.L.}$$

# CP properties of Higgs couplings

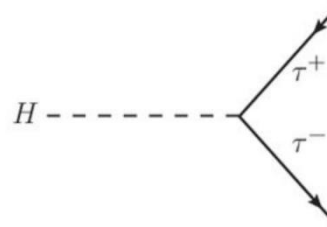
# CP properties of Higgs couplings

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- Run1 Higgs analysis by ATLAS and CMS in favor of spin 0 CP even SM Higgs
  - CP studies in Run1 mainly based on Higgs decay vertexes
- Small anomalous interactions like CP-odd Higgs couplings still possible
- New Higgs CP analyses in Run2 by ATLAS and CMS targeting
  - Higgs production vertexes:  $HVV$ ,  $Htt$ ,  $Hgg$



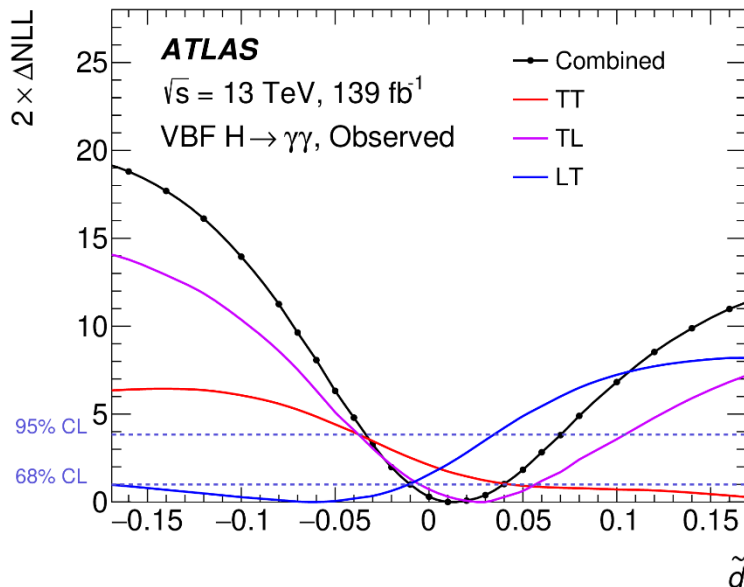
- Higgs decay vertex:  $H\tau\tau$



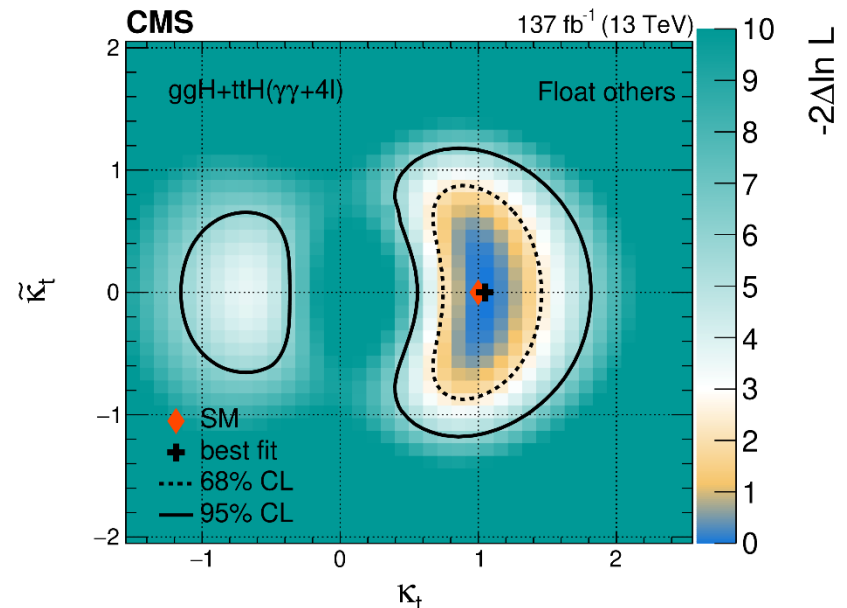
# CP property of $Hgg$ and $HVV$ coupling

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- Test of CP invariance in  $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$  in ATLAS:
  - Probe the CP structure of interactions between the Higgs boson and electroweak gauge bosons with Optimal Observable method
- CP studies with  $H \rightarrow ZZ$  combining with  $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$  in CMS
  - First study of CP properties of the Htt and effective Hgg couplings with both gluon fusion and top-associated processes
  - Results also interpreted in the framework of effective field theory



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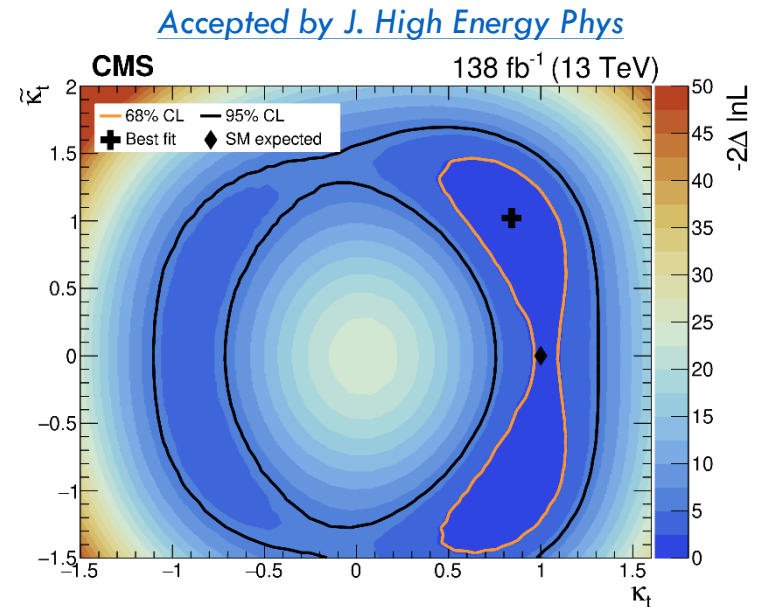
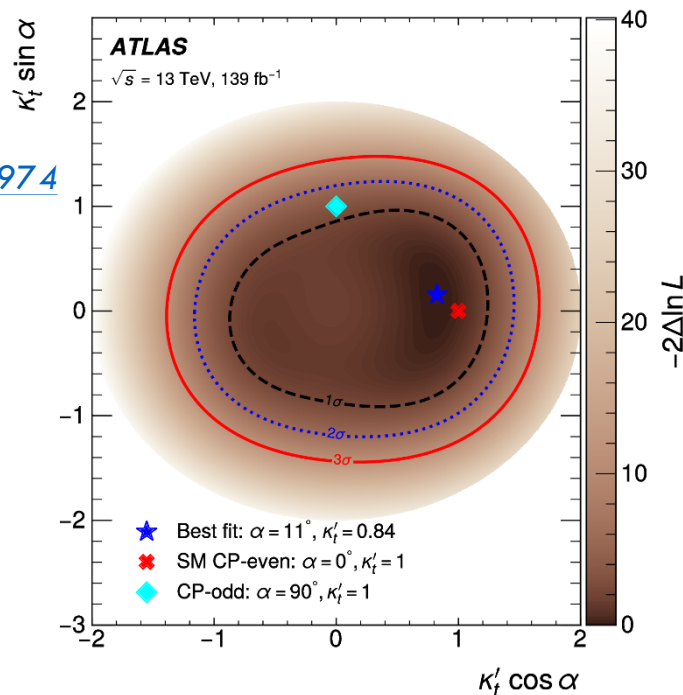
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# CP property of $Htt$ coupling

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- Probing the CP nature of the top-Higgs Yukawa coupling in  $ttH$  and  $tH$  with  $H \rightarrow bb$  decays in ATLAS
  - Mixing angle between CP-even and CP-odd couplings measured to be  $\alpha = 11^\circ {}^{+52^\circ}_{-73^\circ}$
- Search for CP violation in  $ttH$  and  $tH$  production in multilepton channels in CMS
  - Two-dimensional confidence regions set on CP-even and CP-odd top-Higgs Yukawa coupling modifiers  $k_t$  and  $\tilde{k}_t$

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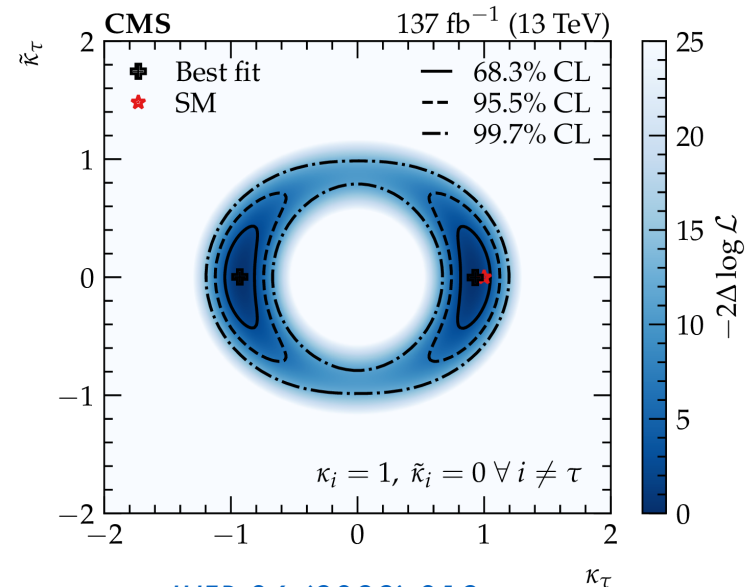
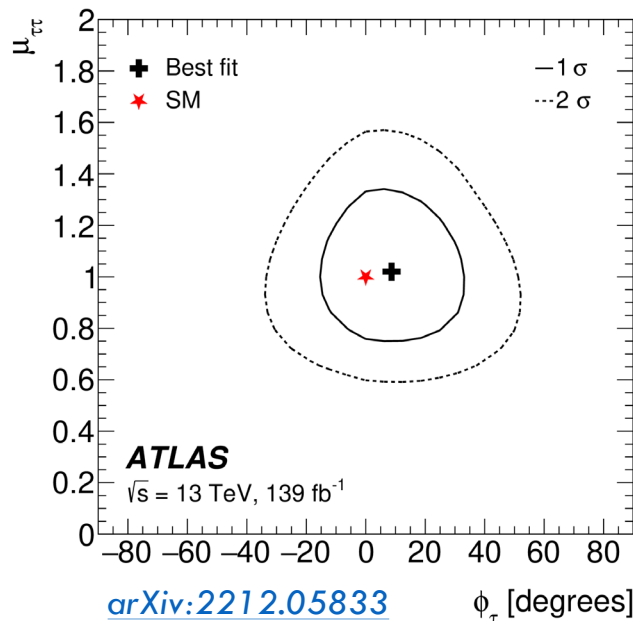


No significant fractional CP-odd contributions observed

# CP properties of $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$ decay

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- Study of CP properties of Higgs boson interactions with  $\tau$ -leptons in ATLAS
  - CP-violating interactions described by a single mixing angle parameter  $\phi_\tau$ 
    - Mixing angle  $\phi_\tau$  measured to be  $9 \pm 16^\circ$
    - Pure CP-odd hypothesis disfavoured at a level of 3.4 standard deviations
- Measurement of CP properties of  $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$  decay from CMS using full Run 2 data
  - Exploits the angular correlation between the decay planes of  $\tau$  leptons from Higgs decays
    - Effective mixing angle between CP-even and CP-odd  $\tau$  Yukawa couplings:  $-1 \pm 19^\circ$
  - Data disfavor the pure CP-odd scenario at 3.0 standard deviations



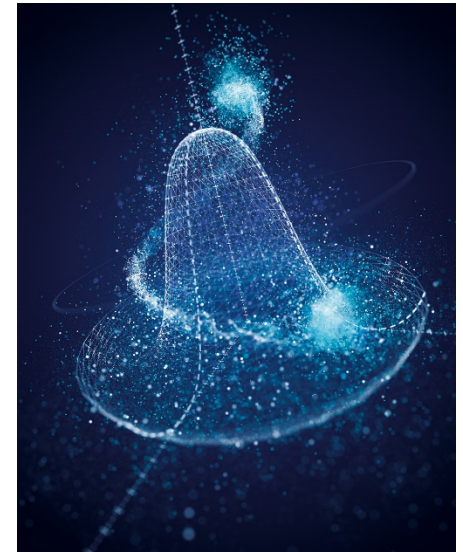
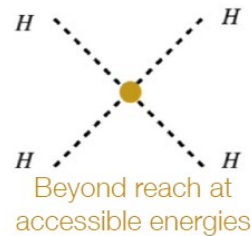
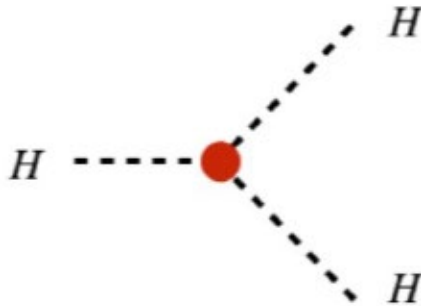


# Higgs self-coupling

# Higgs self-coupling measurement

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- ⊙ Higgs self-coupling crucial for understanding the Higgs field potential
  - ⊙ Understand the electroweak symmetry breaking mechanism
  - ⊙  $V = \mu^2 H^2 + \frac{\mu^2}{v} H^3 + \frac{\mu^2}{4v^2} H^4$



- ⊙ Higgs self-coupling with HH and H in ATLAS and CMS
  - ⊙ Measure coupling modifiers  $k_\lambda$ 
    - ⊙  $k_\lambda = \lambda/\lambda_{SM}$
  - ⊙ Direct probes from HH measurements
  - ⊙ Indirect constraints from H measurement

# HH production modes

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HH production challenging to measure due to its small cross section

$\sigma_{HH} \sim \frac{\sigma_H}{1000}$  in SM at 13TeV

Two main production modes

$\sigma_{ggF} = 31.05 fb$  SM @13TeV

- Dominant channel for studying self-coupling
- Destructive interference

$\sigma_{VBF} = 1.73 fb$  SM @13TeV

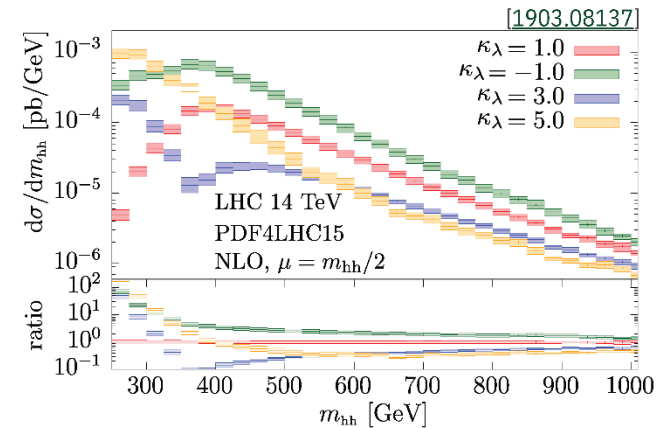
- Only channel to access quartic VVHH coupling

$k_\lambda$  determines HH production cross section

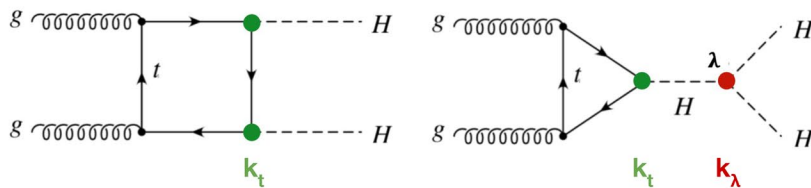
Spectrum of  $m_{HH}$  depends on  $k_\lambda$

• Softer for large  $|k_\lambda|$

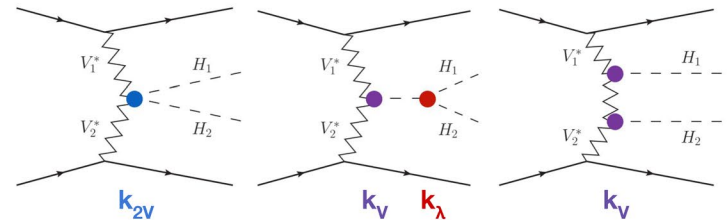
$\kappa_\lambda = \lambda/\lambda^{SM}$  also dictates signal kinematics:



Gluon-gluon fusion (**ggF**)



Vector-boson fusion (**VBF**)

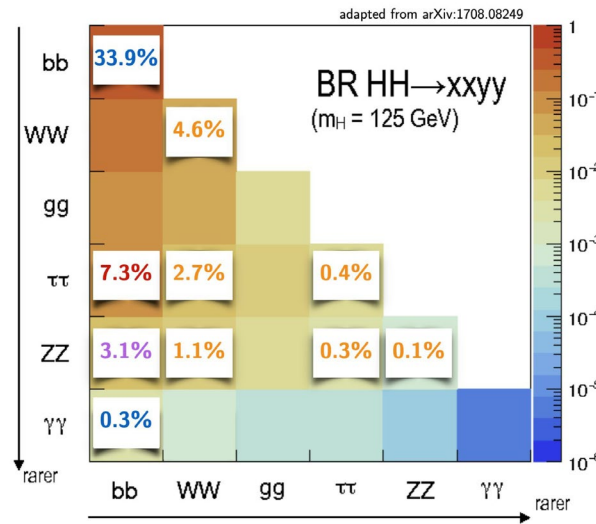


Various Higgs coupling modifiers (coupling over SM prediction):  $k_\lambda, k_{2V}, k_t, k_V$

# HH combination with full Run 2 data

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- Best HH sensitivity via combination of all available decay channels
  - Using full Run 2 data with  $\sim 140 \text{ fb}^{-1}$
  - Included the most sensitive channels

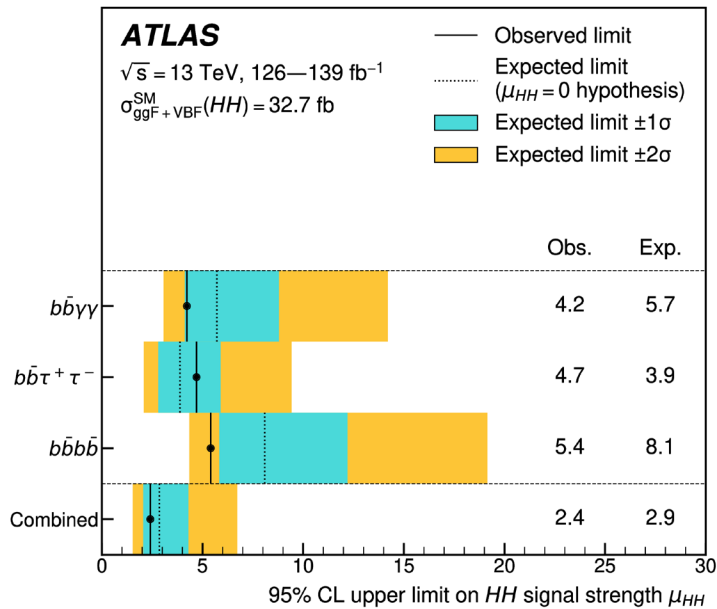


- HH search evolution since early Run 2 besides more data
  - Inclusion of more channels
  - Measurement of quartic couplings with VBF HH production mechanism
  - Extensive usage of machine learning, selection/tagging optimization
  - Boosted topologies, additional final states

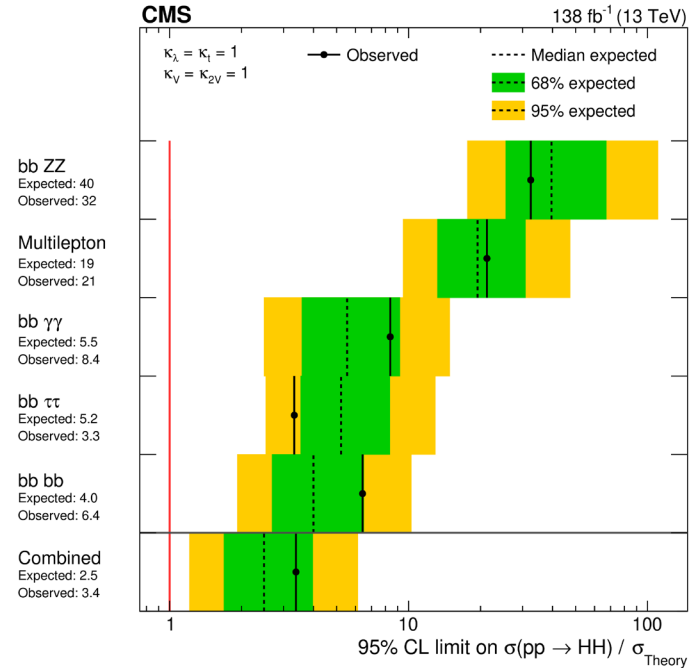
# Limits on the HH production signal strength

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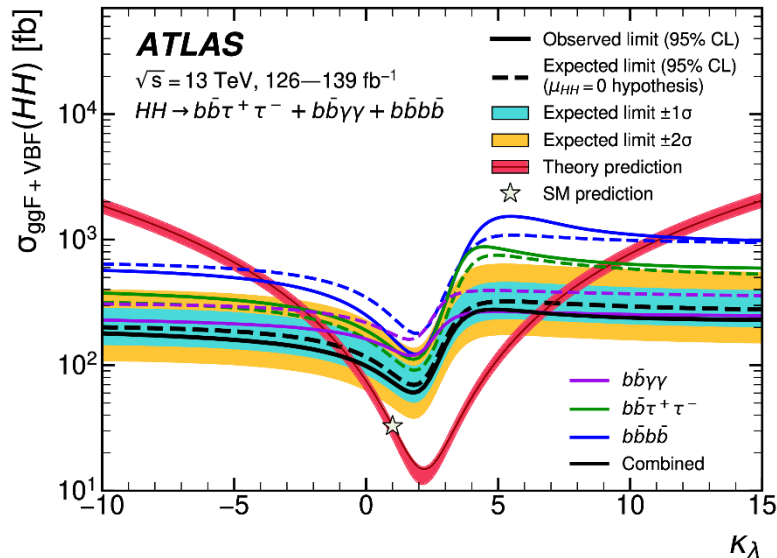


- Expected and observed limits on the HH signal strength
  - Most stringent limits (best observed) from ATLAS:  $2.4 (2.9) \times SM$
  - Best sensitivity (best expected) on HH limit from CMS:  $3.4 (2.5) \times SM$
  - Significant improvement comparing to early Run 2 results
  - Sensitivity in HL-LHC sufficient to establish the existence of the SM HH production

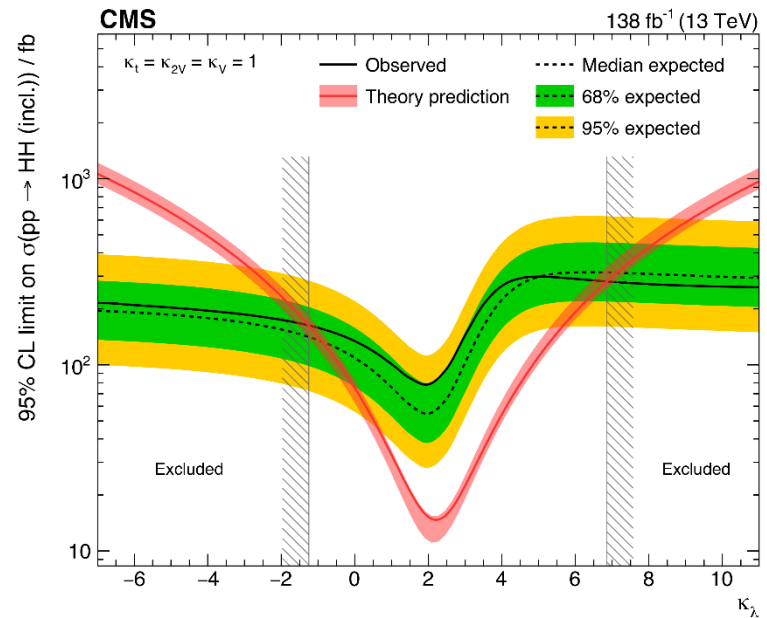
# Constraints on Higgs self-coupling

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- 95% CL interval for Higgs self-coupling  $k_\lambda$ 
  - ATLAS observed (expected) :  $-0.6 < k_\lambda < 6.6$  ( $-2.1 < k_\lambda < 7.8$ )
  - CMS observed (expected) :  $-1.24 < k_\lambda < 6.49$  ( $-2.28 < k_\lambda < 7.94$ )



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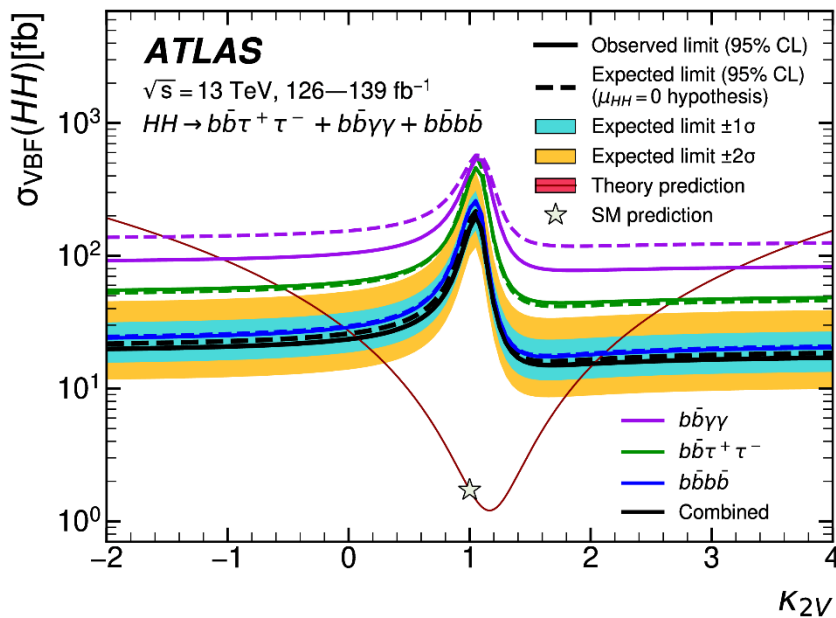


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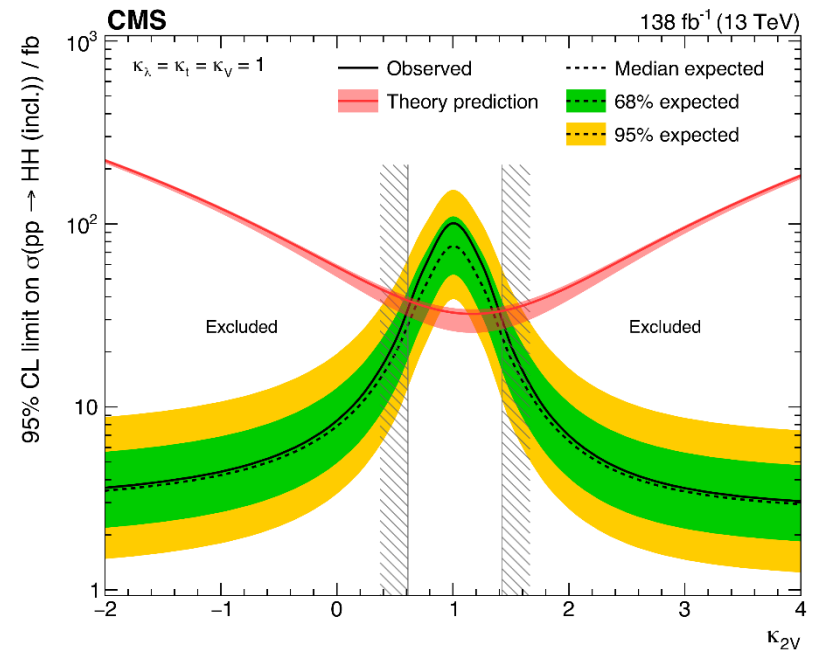
# Limits on quartic couplings

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- 95% CL interval for quartic VVHH coupling  $k_{2V}$ 
  - ATLAS observed (expected) :  $0.1 < k_{2V} < 2.0$  ( $0.0 < k_\lambda < 2.1$ )
  - CMS observed (expected) :  $0.67 < k_{2V} < 1.38$  ( $0.61 < k_\lambda < 1.42$ )
- $k_{2V} = 0$  is excluded assuming SM values for all other  $k_s$



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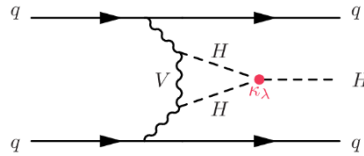
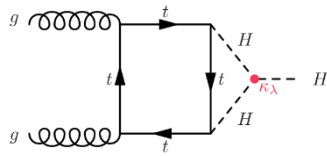


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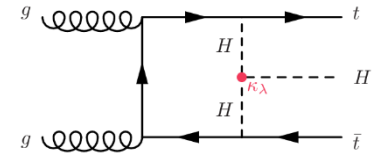
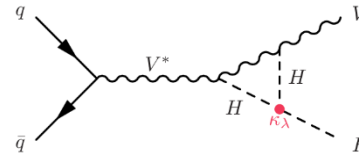
# Indirect constraints on Higgs self-coupling

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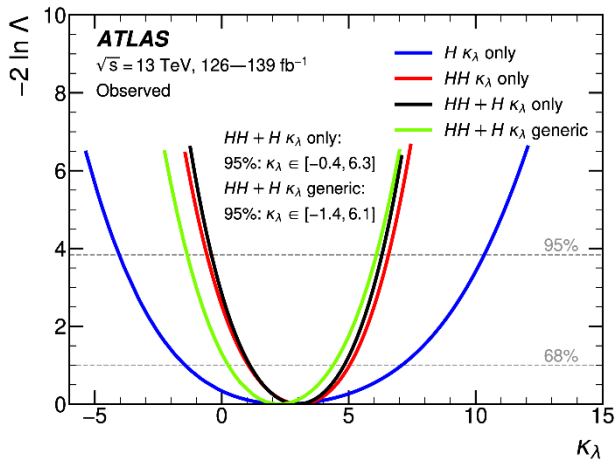
- Single Higgs production cross section and decay branching ratios affected by  $k_\lambda$  with NLO electroweak corrections



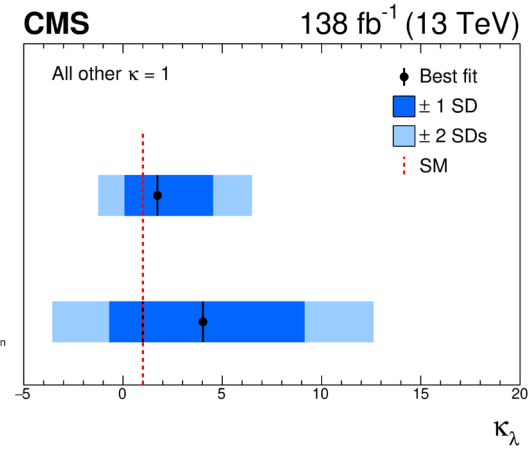
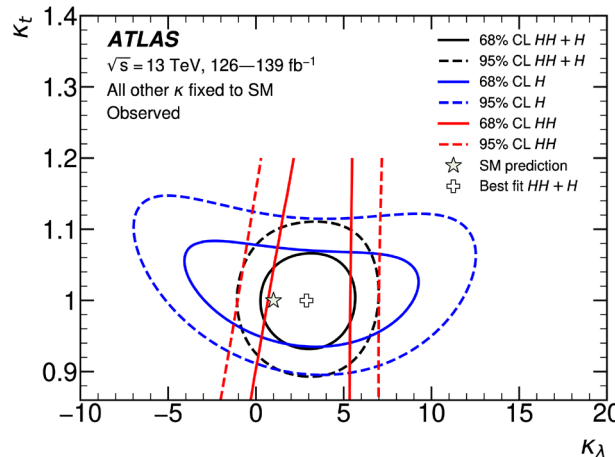
Example of  $k_\lambda$  in single Higgs production



- Single Higgs combination provides complementary constraints on Higgs self-coupling
- HH+H combination for Higgs self-coupling allows a more model independent measurement



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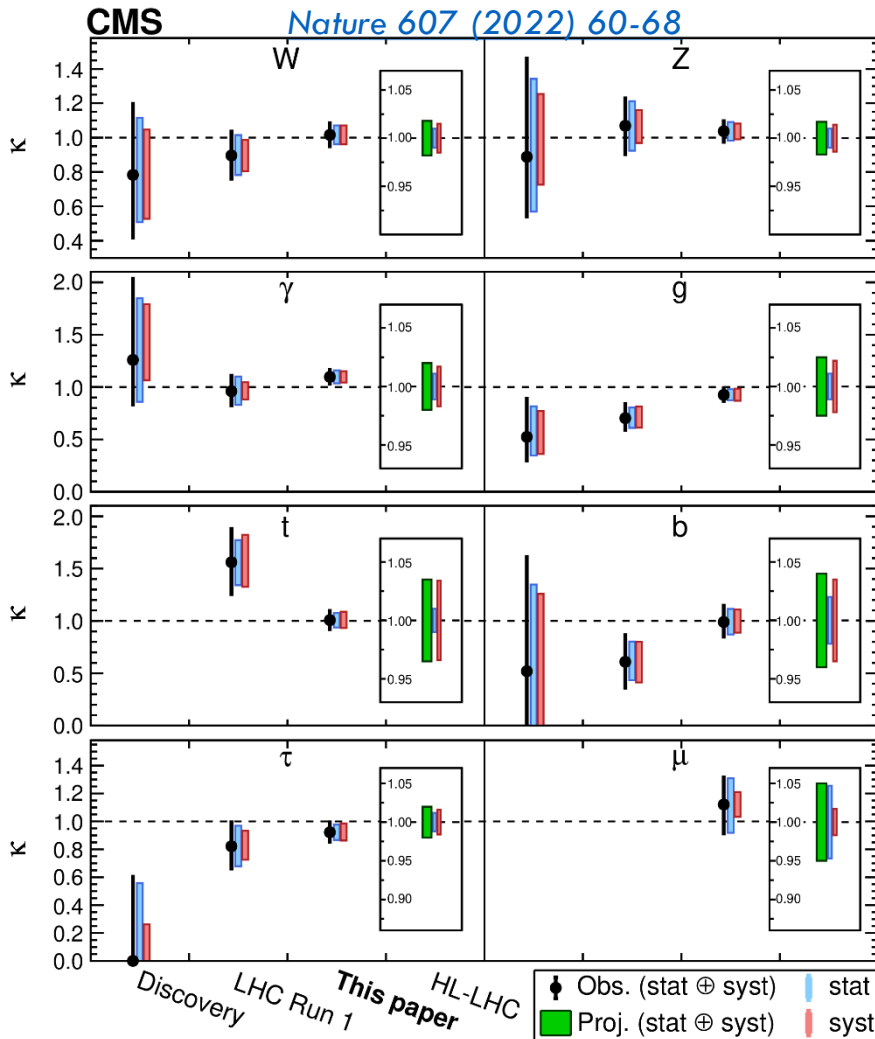


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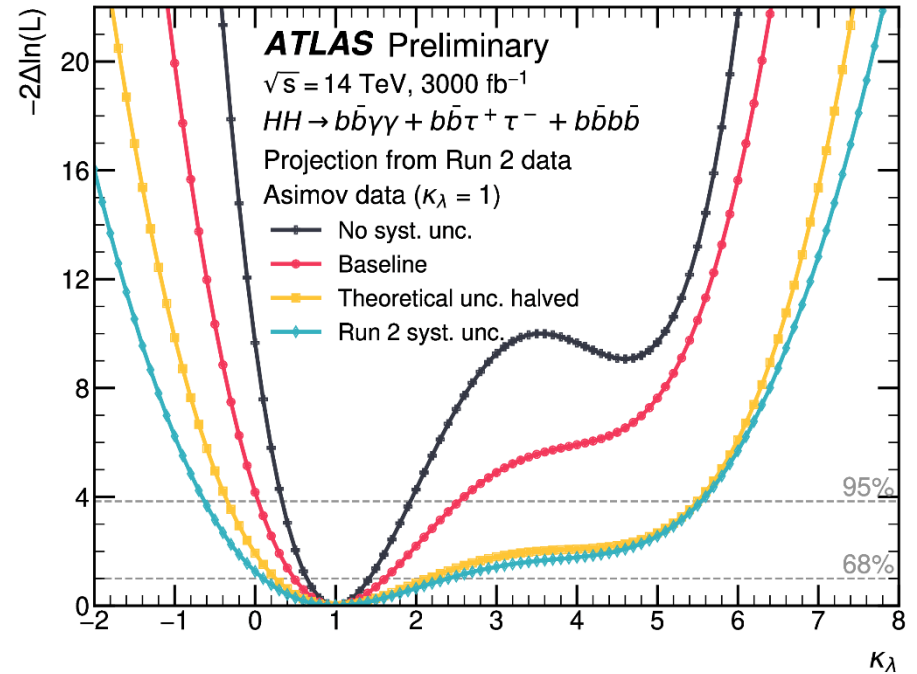
# Higgs measurements towards HL-LHC

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Expect  $3.4 \sigma$  significance for SM HH signal at the HL-LHC

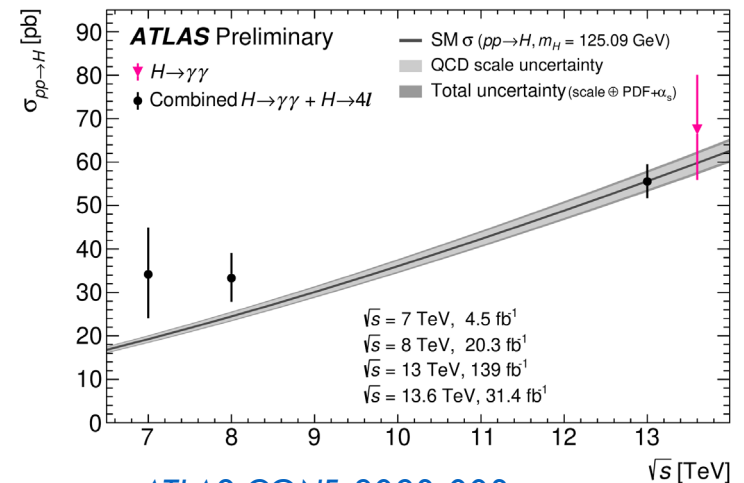


- Huge improvements on Higgs coupling precision since Higgs discovery
- Precision test of SM and establishment of Higgs self-coupling expected in HL-LHC

# Summary

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- A summary of recent Higgs property measurement results from ATLAS and CMS experiments using full Run 2 data
  - Higgs cross section and couplings measured with better precision and details
  - The Higgs boson mass measured with a precision of the order to 0.1%
  - The best width measurement extracted by comparing on-shell with off-shell decay
  - CP structures tested in  $HVV$ ,  $Htt$ ,  $Hgg$  and  $H\tau\tau$  couplings
  - Higgs self-coupling constrained with non-resonant HH combination as well as single Higgs combination results
- Significant improvement on precisions of Higgs measurements achieved in Run 2 with respect to the Higgs discovery and early analyses
- Exciting Higgs results in Run 3 are knocking in!



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