



*Direct searches for New
Physics in Multiboson final
states - ATLAS & CMS*

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Today menu with disclaimer!

- **Direct searches in multi bosons (including hh) final states**

- **Introduction**

- ▶ theory and experimental inputs
- ▶ status of phase spaces and combinations

- **VV/Vh searches**

- ▶ ssWW/WZ combination
- ▶ cascade searches
- ▶ Vh new channels
- ▶ AZH searches

- **hh (resonant) searches**

- ▶ VBF hh 4b, bbWW

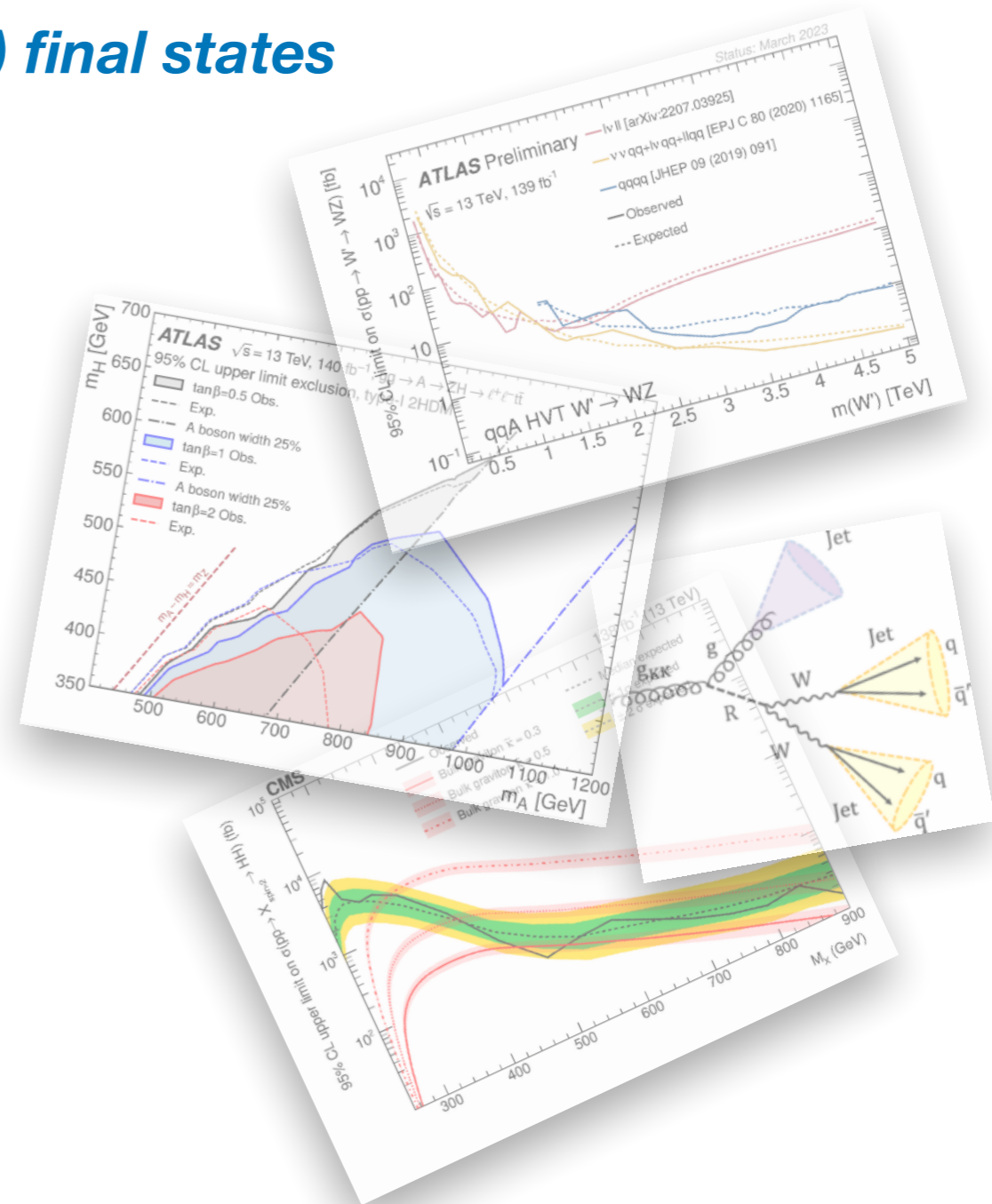
- **Sh searches**

- ▶ $bb\gamma\gamma$, $VV\gamma\gamma$, $\gamma\gamma\tau\tau$

- **Wrap-up**

- ▶ Multi-boson searches w/o bosons
- ▶ Conclusions

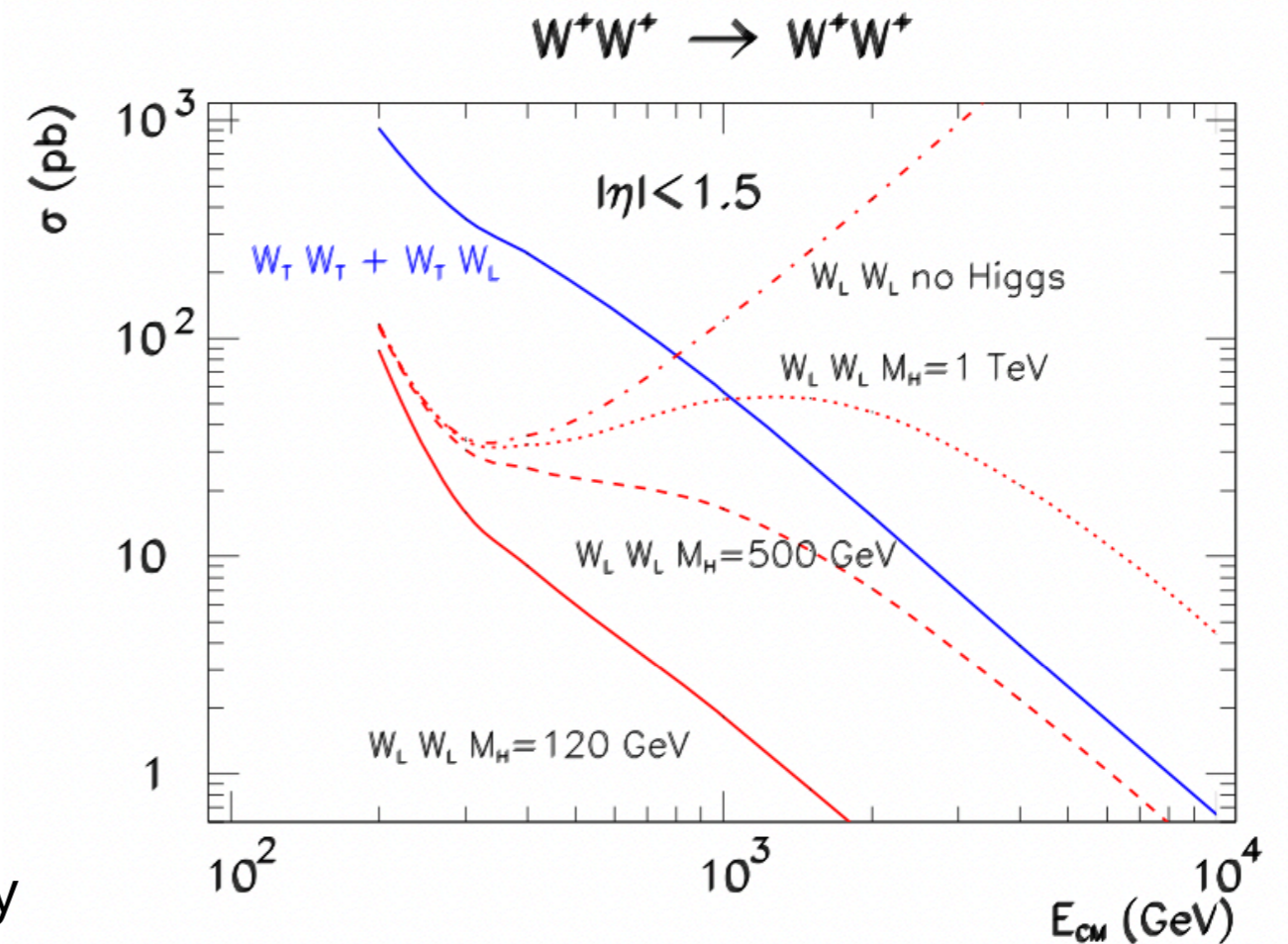
After an introduction, I will focus on recent (~few months) results; the selection of searches/topics is given from my personal preference!





Why diboson searches: historical intro

- Diboson interactions are a key process in the LHC program
 - ▶ according to the EWK sector the $W_L W_L$ scattering is violating the unitarity at the TeV scale
 - ▶ we expected something to happen with the LHC era
- After the Higgs discovery, we can say that the Higgs+EWK sector can mitigate this
 - ▶ however, this still needs to be directly confirmed at very high energy
- **High-energy diboson interactions may still hide new physics!**

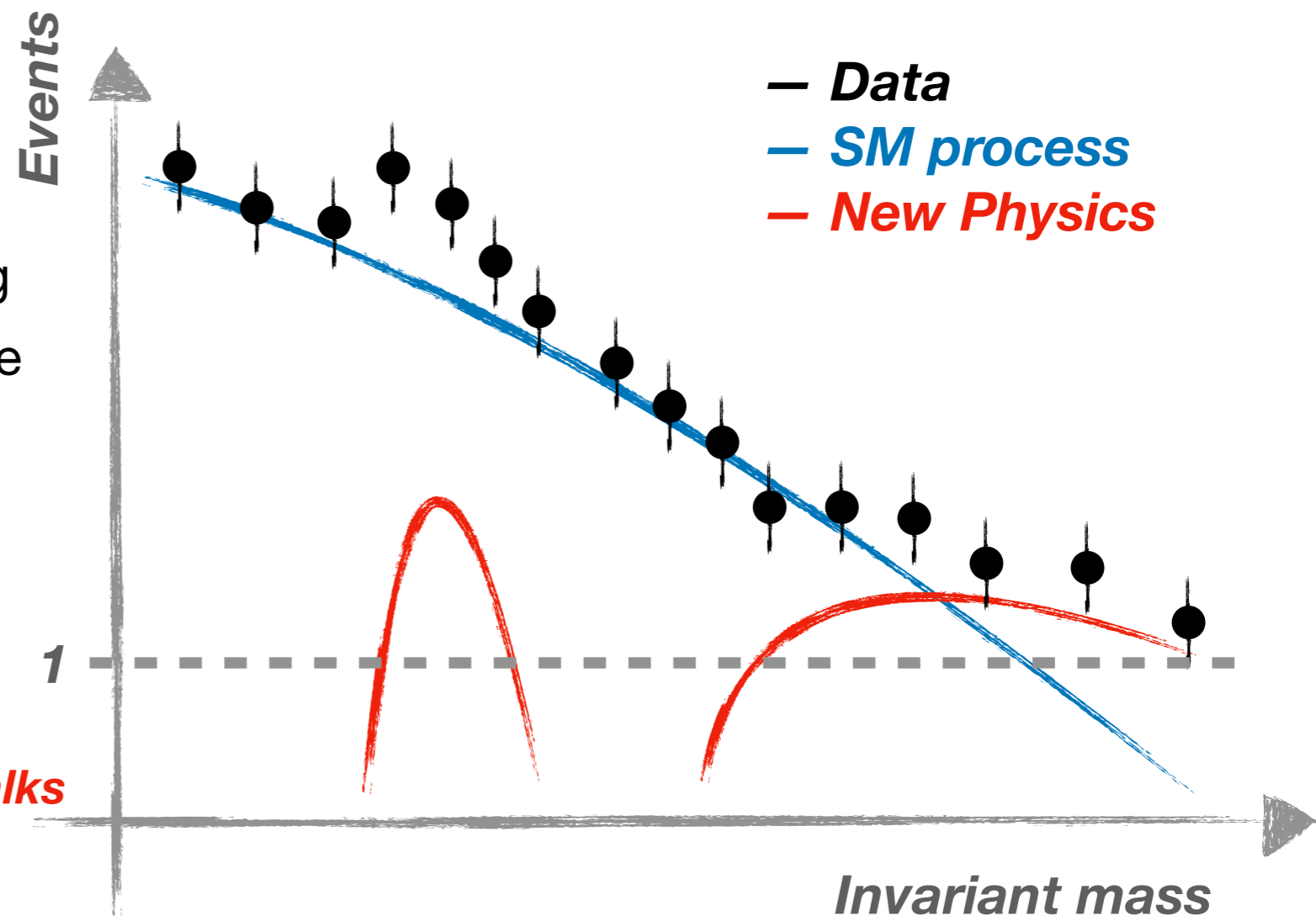


[arxiv.1412.8367](https://arxiv.org/abs/1412.8367)



Why direct searches

- Diboson and multi-boson is a portal to New Physics (NP)
 - ▶ it can manifest as an excess in the SM data as **narrow** or **wide peaks**, or **deviations in tails**
- Direct searches are a way to analyse the data and look for something new in the data
- Minimal and simplest approach
 - ▶ **theory**: i.e. 1-to-2-bodies decay $X \rightarrow YZ$
 - ▶ **experiment**: a bump hunting in data when modelling of the background or related uncertainties are limiting factors



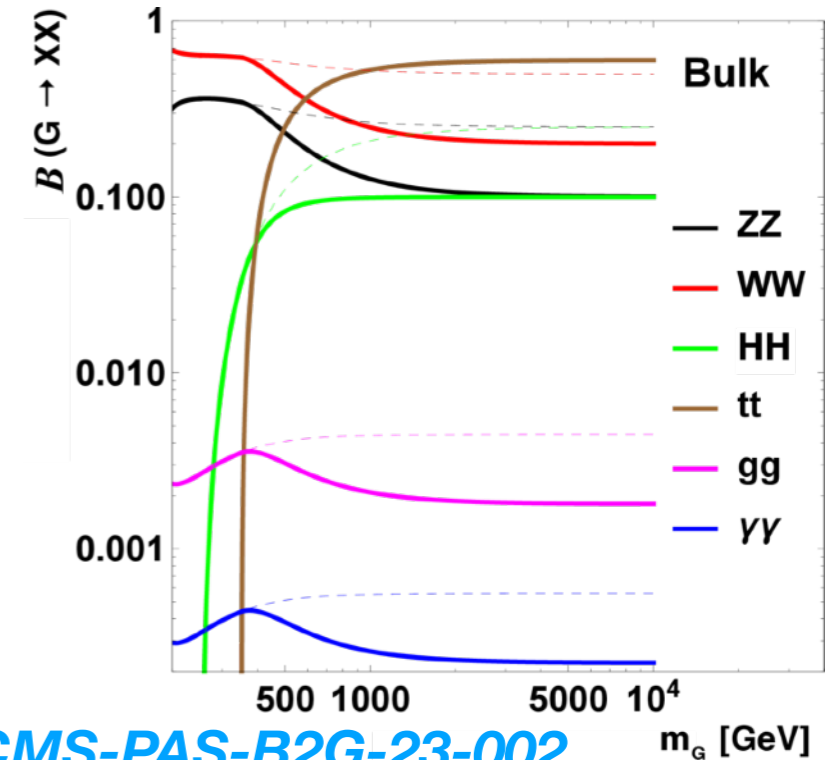
Not covered in this talk:

- **hh non resonant in Giulia/Garyfallia talks**
- **tail excesses in Anna/Heshasm talks**
- **γ associated not covered**

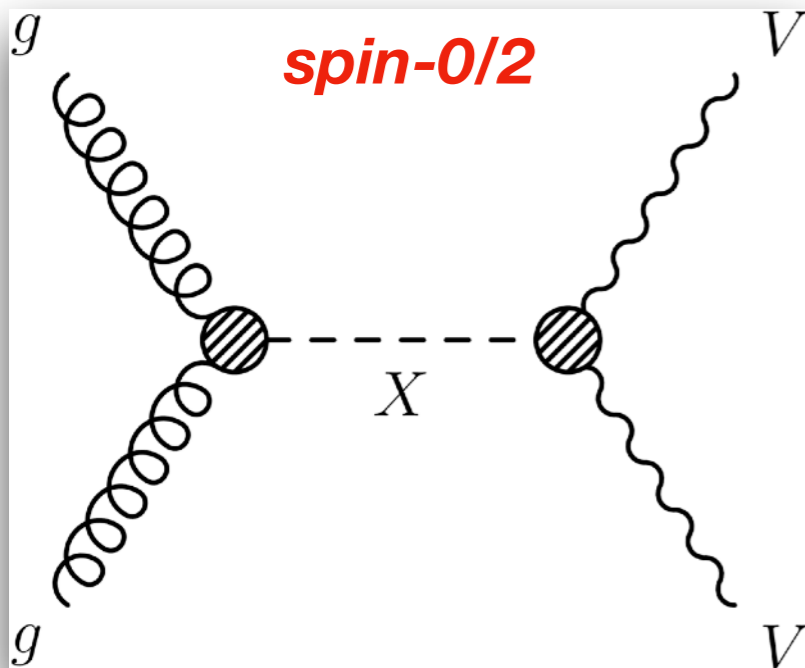


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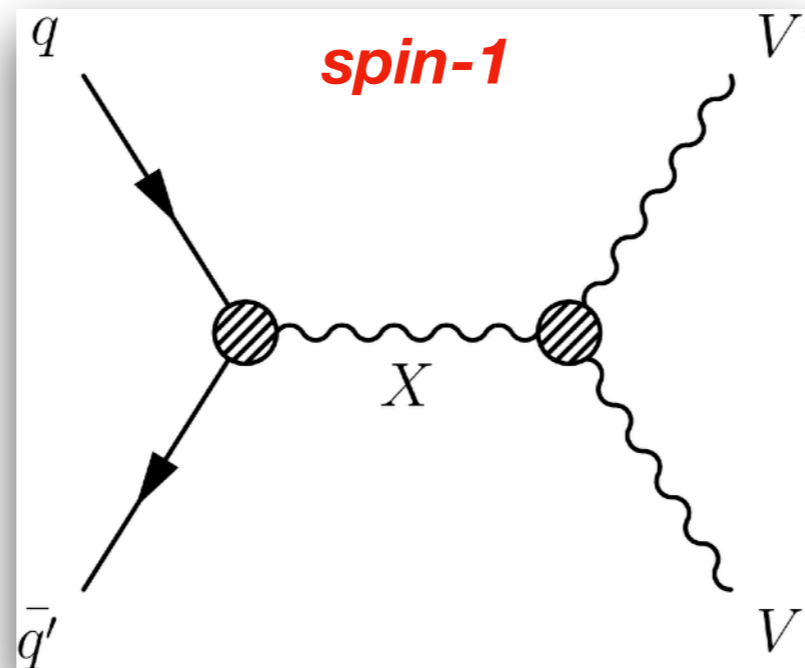
- Several theoretical models foresee the presence of additional and high mass resonances
 - ▶ spin-0 Radion
 - ▶ spin-1 Heavy Vector Triplet (HVT)
 - ▶ spin-2 Randal Sundrum Graviton
- Each of them can be produced via different production mechanisms



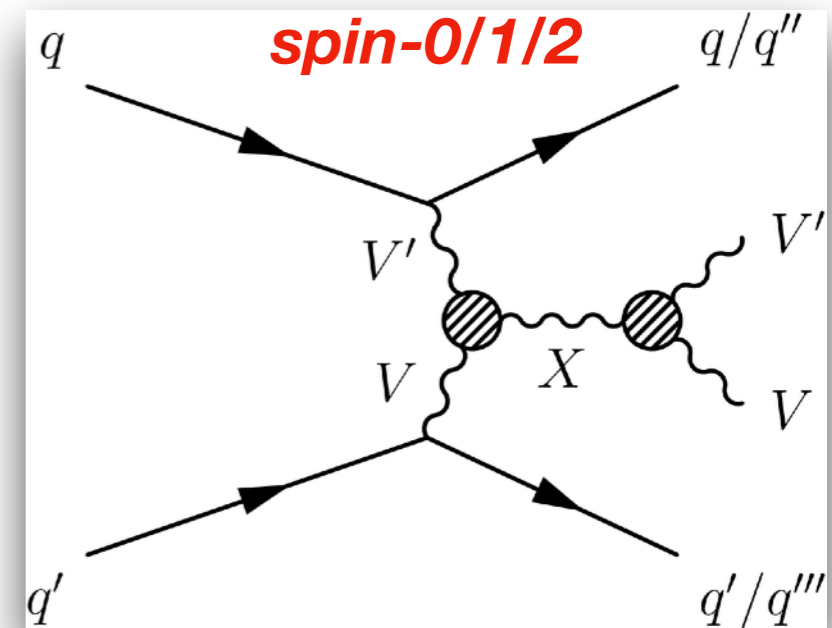
gluon-gluon Fusion (ggF)



Drell-Yan (DY)



Vector Boson Fusion (VBF)





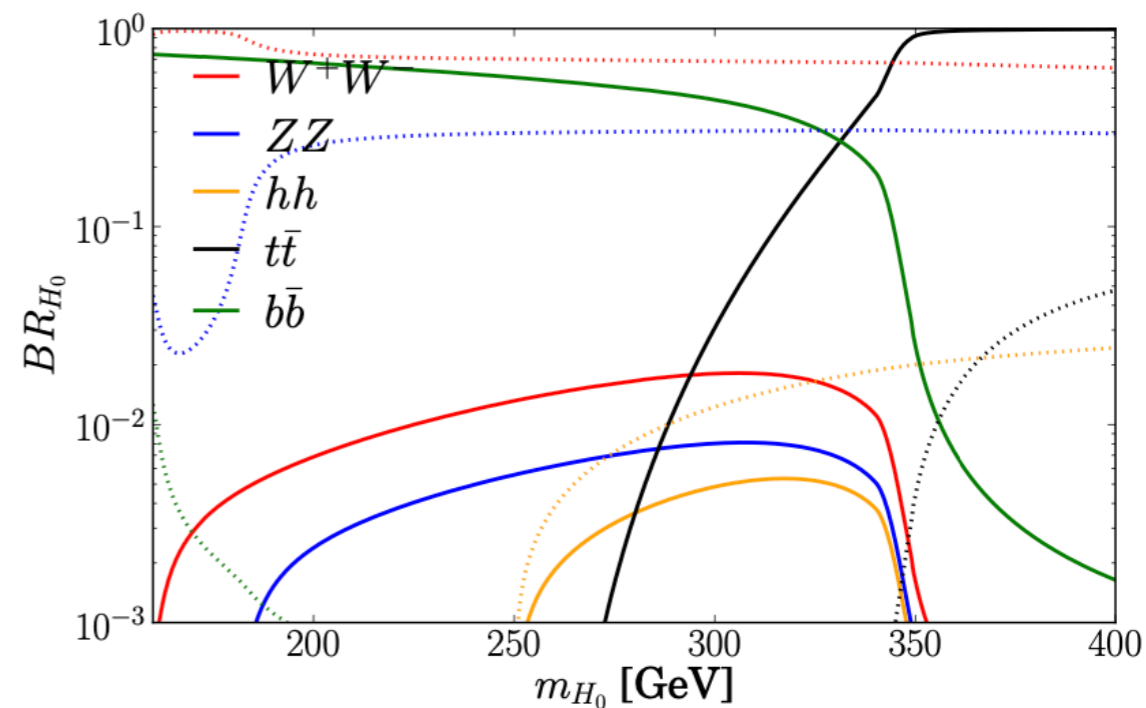
Theoretical models/productions

- During run-2 models exploring the presence of **additional** neutral or charged **high mass higgs** have been considered

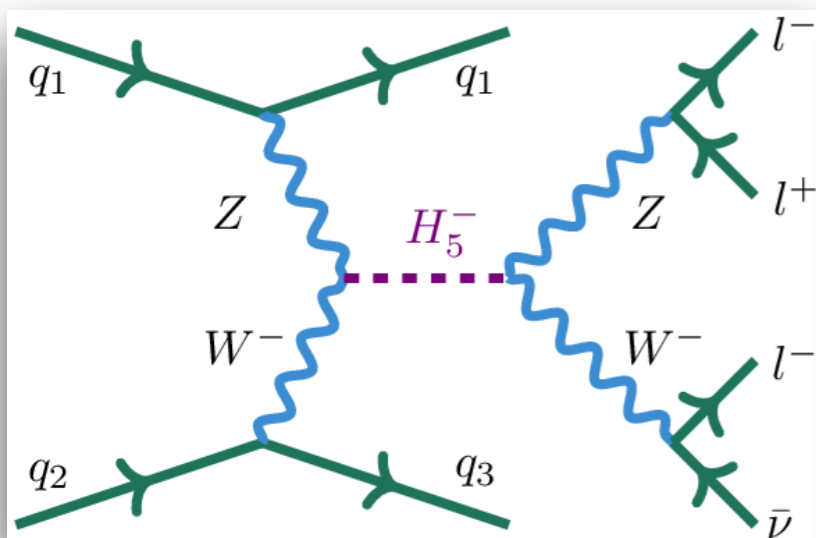
- ▶ charged Georgi Machacek (GM)
- ▶ 2 Higgs Double Model (2HDM)
- ▶ 2HDM + Scalar (2HDM+s)
- ▶ Next-to-Minimal Supersymmetric SM (NMSSM)

- VBF exclusive production mode for GM
- bbA production mode for AZH signatures

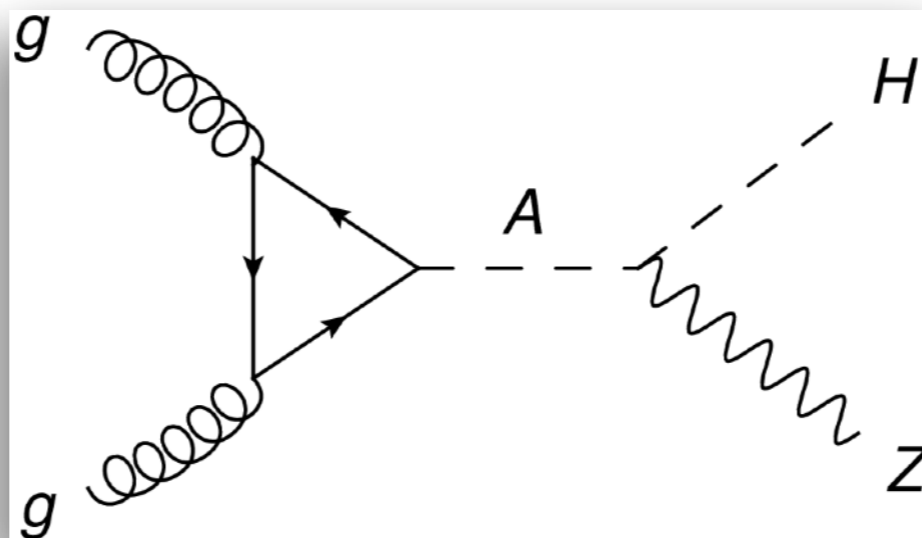
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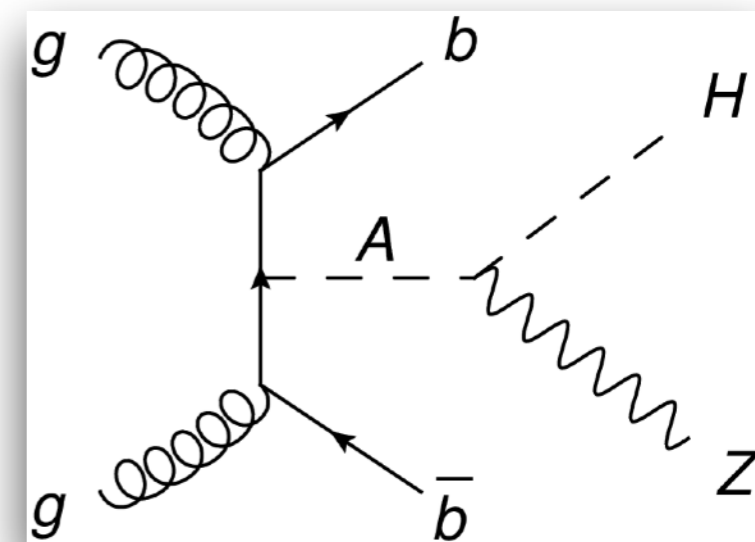
VBF



ggA



bbA





What does “Multibosons” mean

with $V = W/Z$, $h = 125$ GeV Higgs, $X = \text{BSM}$

Reference = [ATLAS, CMS]

A new resonance

VV

$l\nu l$ [[1](#), [2](#), [3](#)], $l\nu l l$ [[4](#), [3](#)], $4l/l\nu l$ [[5](#), [6](#)], $llqq$ [[7](#), [8](#)], $l\nu qq$ [[7](#), [9](#)], $\nu\nu qq$ [[7](#), [10](#)], $qqqq$ [[11](#), [12](#)]

Vh

$llbb/\nu\nu bb$ [[11](#), [12](#)], $l\nu bb$ [[9](#)], $ll\tau\tau$ [[13](#)], $qqbb$ [[14](#), [12](#)], $llcc/\nu\nu cc/ll4q/\nu\nu 4q$ [[15](#)]

VX

$qqbb$ [[16](#)], $ll+X$ [[17](#)], $llbb$ [[18](#), [19](#)], $llWW$ [[18](#)], $ll\tau\tau$ [[20](#)], $\nu\nu bb$ [[21](#)], $lltt$ [[21](#), [22](#)]

hh

$bbbb$ [[23](#), [24](#)], $bb\gamma\gamma$ [[25](#)], $bb\tau\tau$ [[26](#)], $\gamma\gamma\tau\tau$ [[27](#)], $bbVV$ [[28](#), [29](#)], $4W/\tau\tau WW/4\tau$ [[30](#)]

hX

$bbbb$ [[31](#)], $bb\gamma\gamma$ [[32](#), [33](#)], $bb\tau\tau$ [[34](#)], $\gamma\gamma\tau\tau$ [[35](#)], $VV\tau\tau$ [[36](#)], $4W$ [[37](#)]

XX

2-jets (AD) [[38](#), [39](#)], 4-jets [[40](#)]

VV/Vhh/VVX

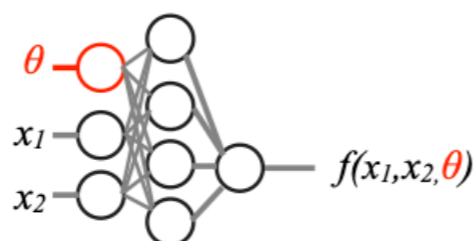
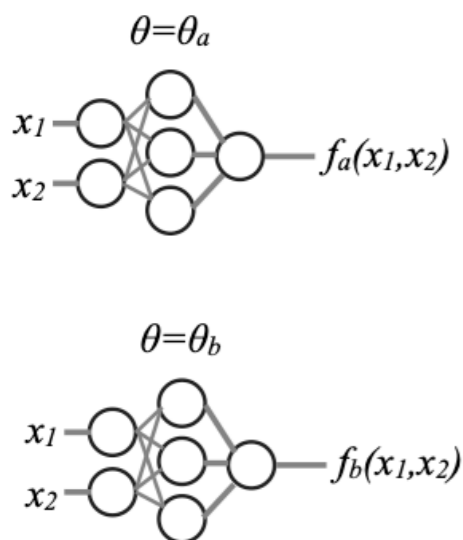
WWW [[41](#), [42](#)], Vhh [[43](#)], $WW+\text{jet}$ [[44](#)]



Setting the stage: ML & jets

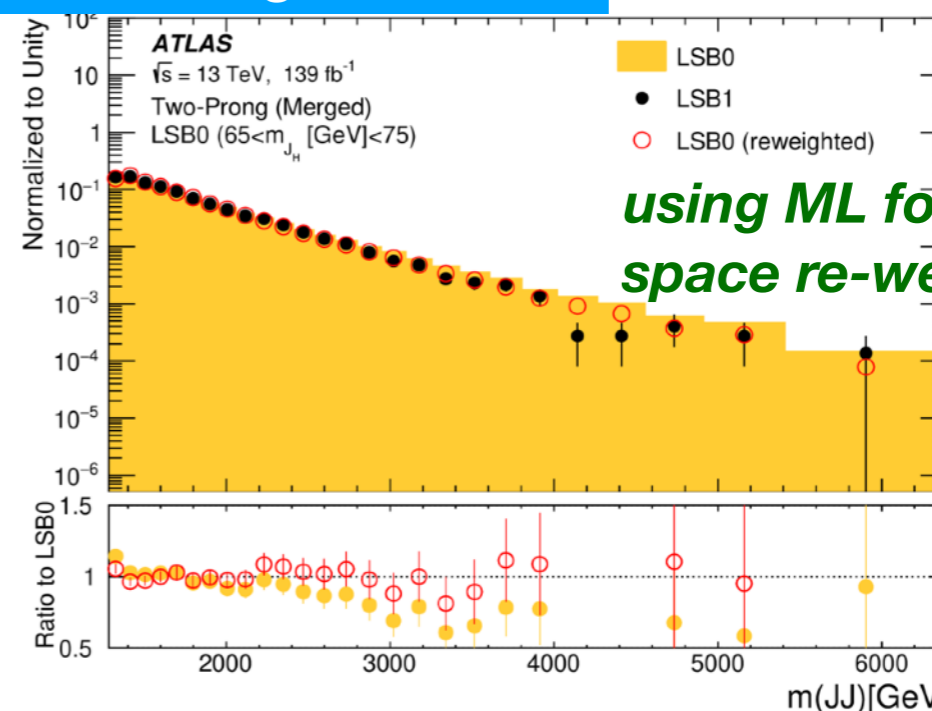
- Recent searches that will be highlighted in the following rely on jets and ML developments over the past years
 - aim to improve more and more the physics results w/o waiting for new data
 - new challenges given new phase spaces to explore

parameterised-DNN to optimise the full signal parameter space

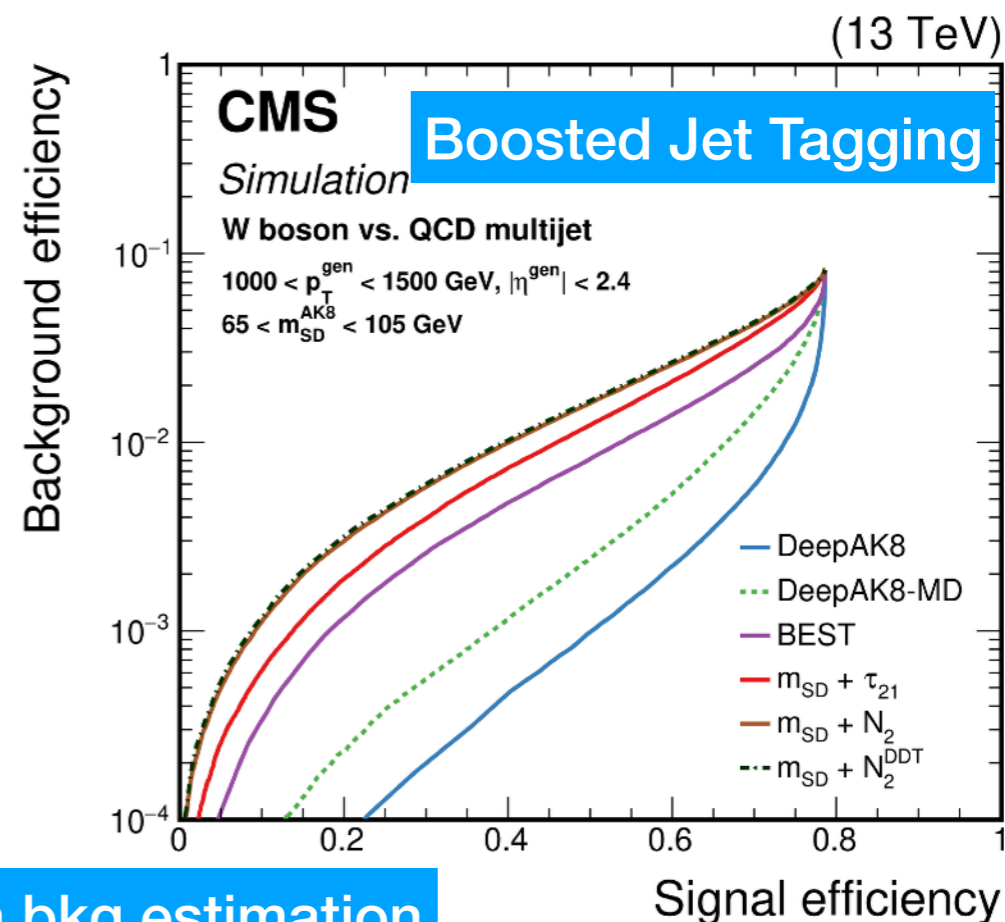


[arxiv.1601.07913](https://arxiv.org/abs/1601.07913)

Data-driven bkg estimation



[Phys. Rev. D 108 \(2023\) 052009](https://arxiv.org/abs/2205.05209)

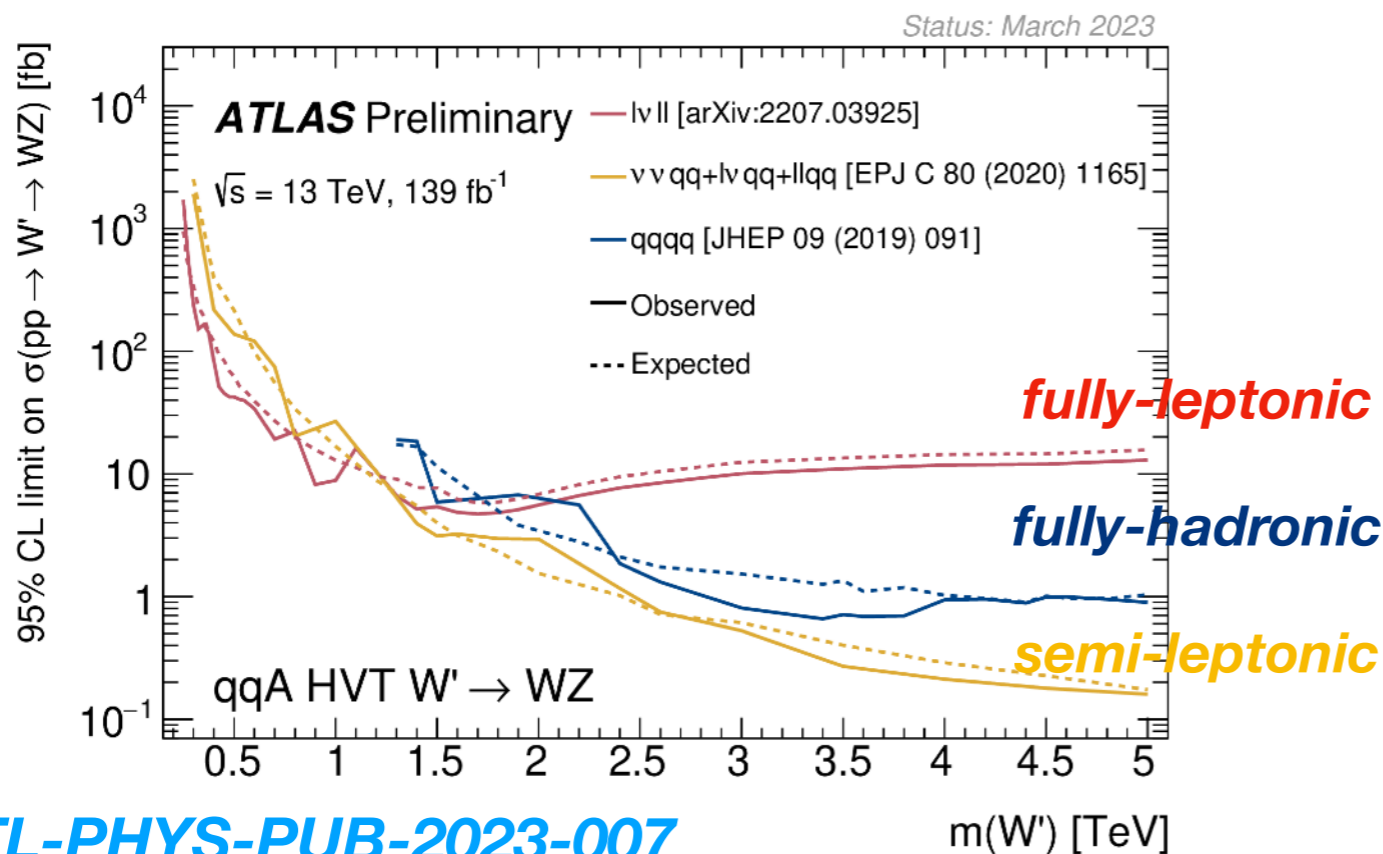


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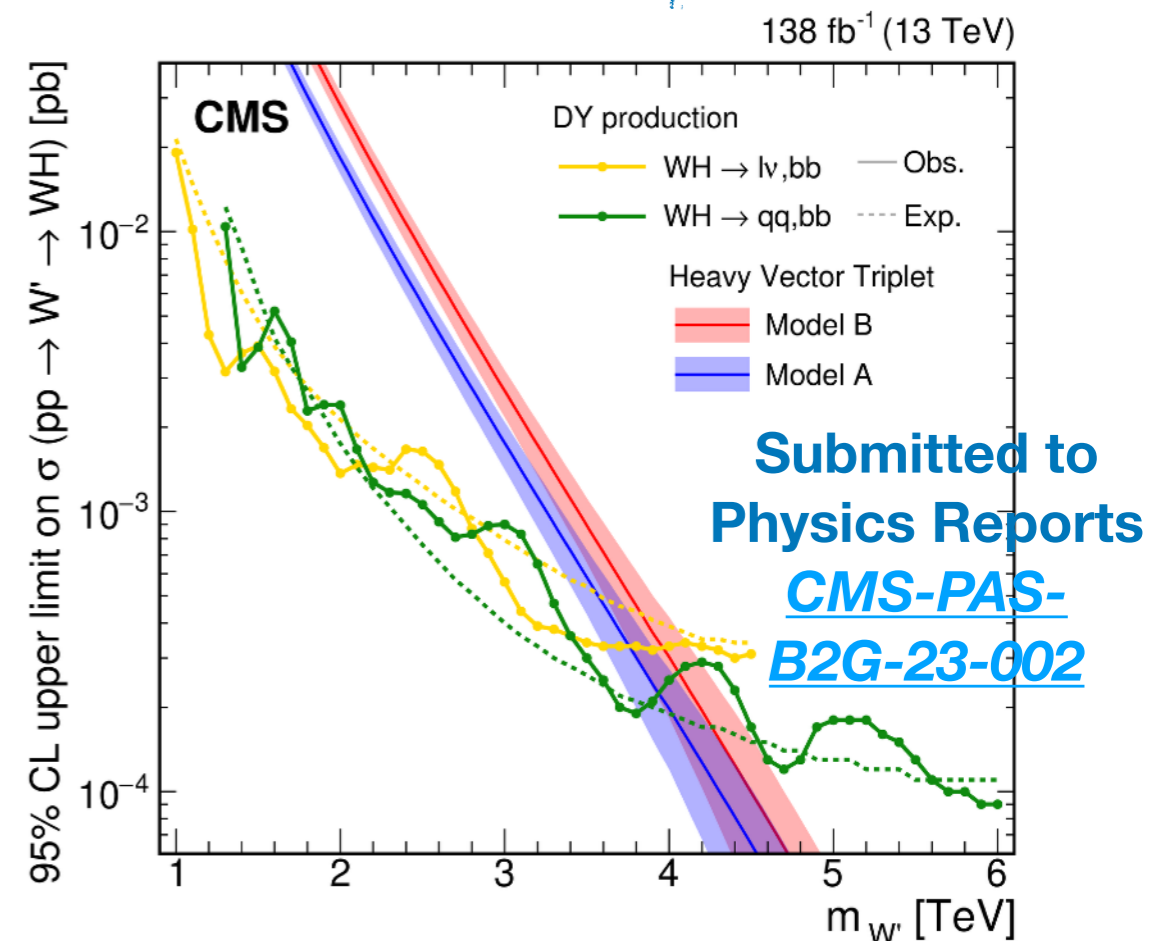
Setting the stage: $W'Vh$ searches

- Searches performed adding more data and new techniques and channels during run-2
 - ▶ all major direct channels covered
 - ▶ different production modes covered
- **Objects tagging**: boson [[JHEP 09 \(2019\) 091](#)] and flavour tagging [[Phys. Rev. D 108 \(2023\) 052009](#)]
- **VBF topologies tagging** [[Eur. Phys. J. C 80 \(2020\) 1165](#), [Eur. Phys. J. C 83 \(2023\) 633](#)]
- **Strategies**: data driven [[Eur. Phys. J. C 81 \(2021\) 688](#)] and multi-dimensional fits [[Phys. Lett. B 844 \(2023\) 137813](#)]

If interested in dedicated techniques, check them



[ATL-PHYS-PUB-2023-007](#)



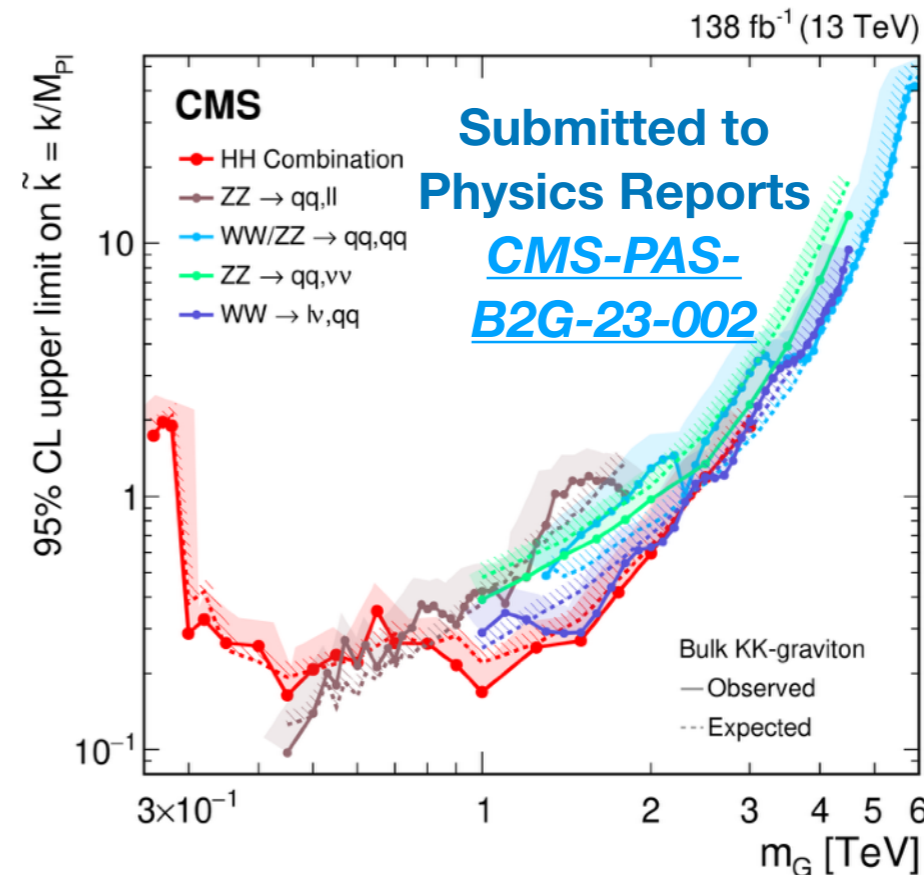
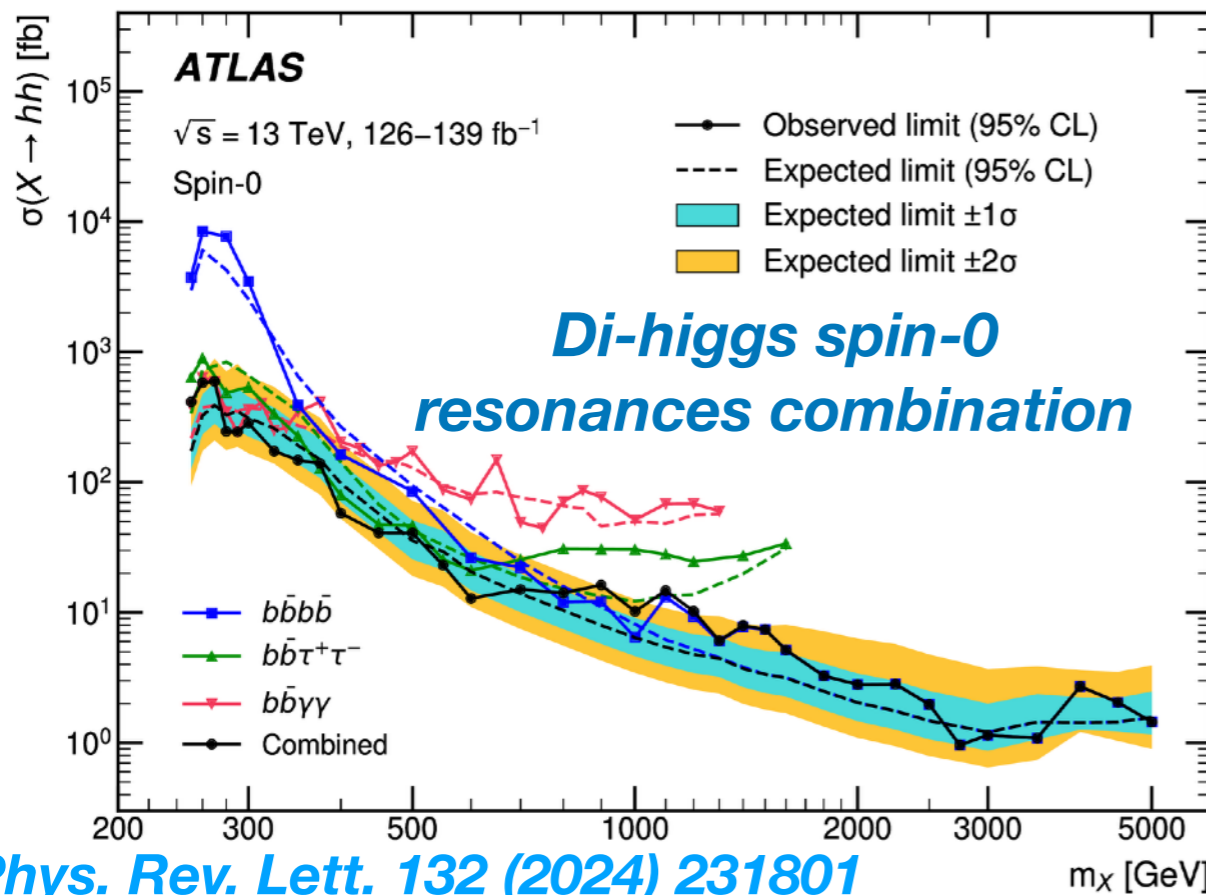
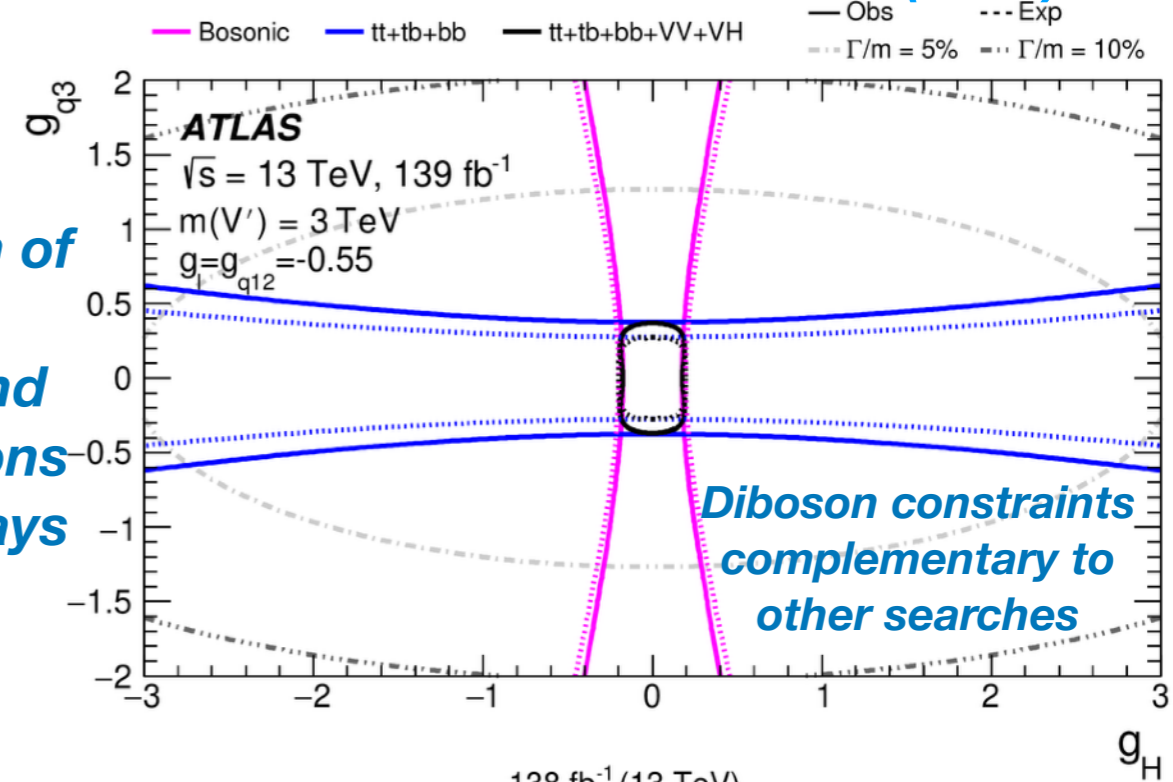
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Setting the stage: combinations

- Different channels can be complementary or competitive according to the parameters space

- ▶ **cover wider phase spaces**
- ▶ **increase the constraints via statistical combinations**

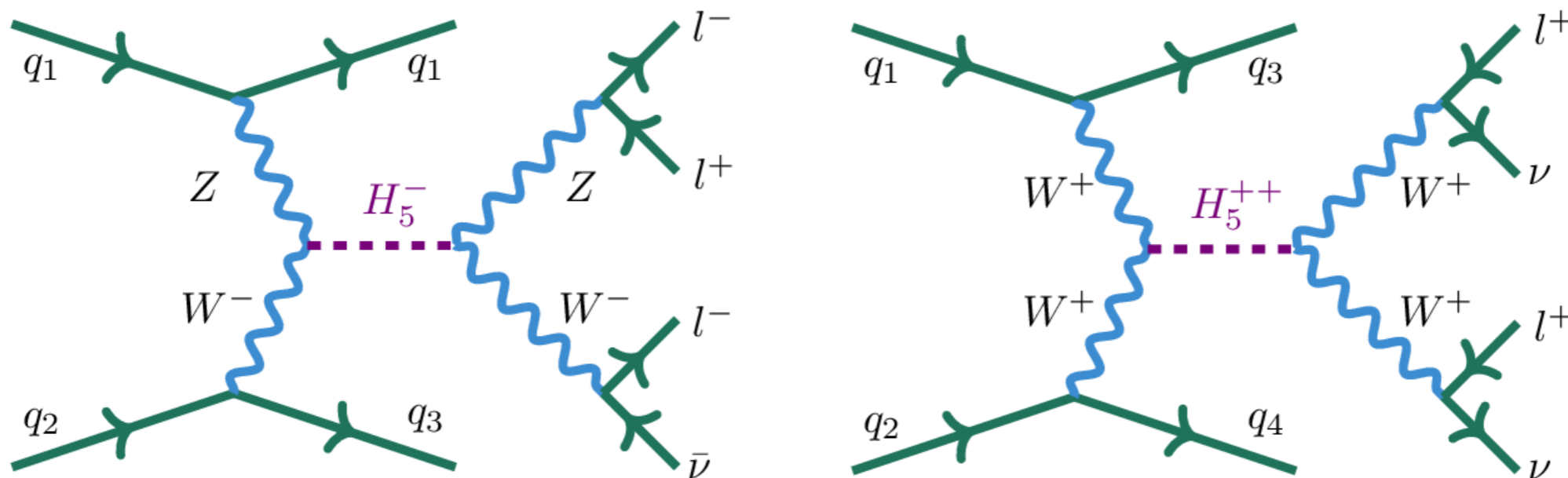
Combination of VV/Vh channels and 3rd generations leptons decays



Warped-extra dimension hh combination and overlay with VV channels

GM Charged Higgs searches

- Higgs sector extended by introducing one real and one complex triplet
 - ▶ (H^{++}, H^+, H^0) fermiophobic \rightarrow VBF production mode
- $\sin-\vartheta_H$ handles the contribution of the scalar fields to the W/Z mass
- Recent ATLAS combination of searches published previously:
 - ▶ **WZ $lvll$** [Eur. Phys. J. C 83 \(2023\) 633](#) and **ssWW $lvlv$** [JHEP 04 \(2024\) 026](#)
- CMS also released results in fully leptonic and semi-leptonic channels
 - ▶ [Eur. Phys. J. C 81 \(2021\) 723](#), [Phys. Lett. B 798 \(2019\) 134985](#)

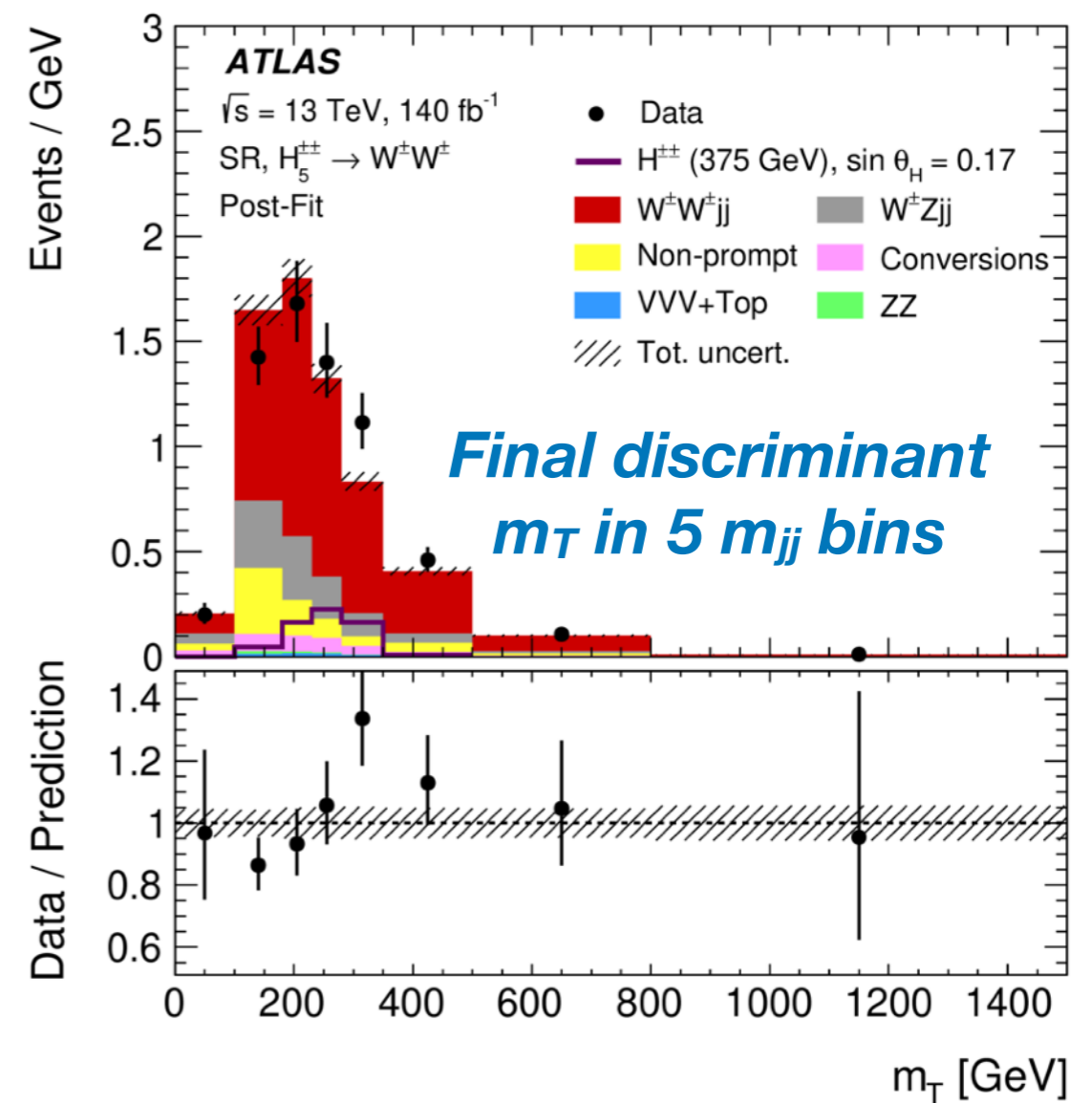
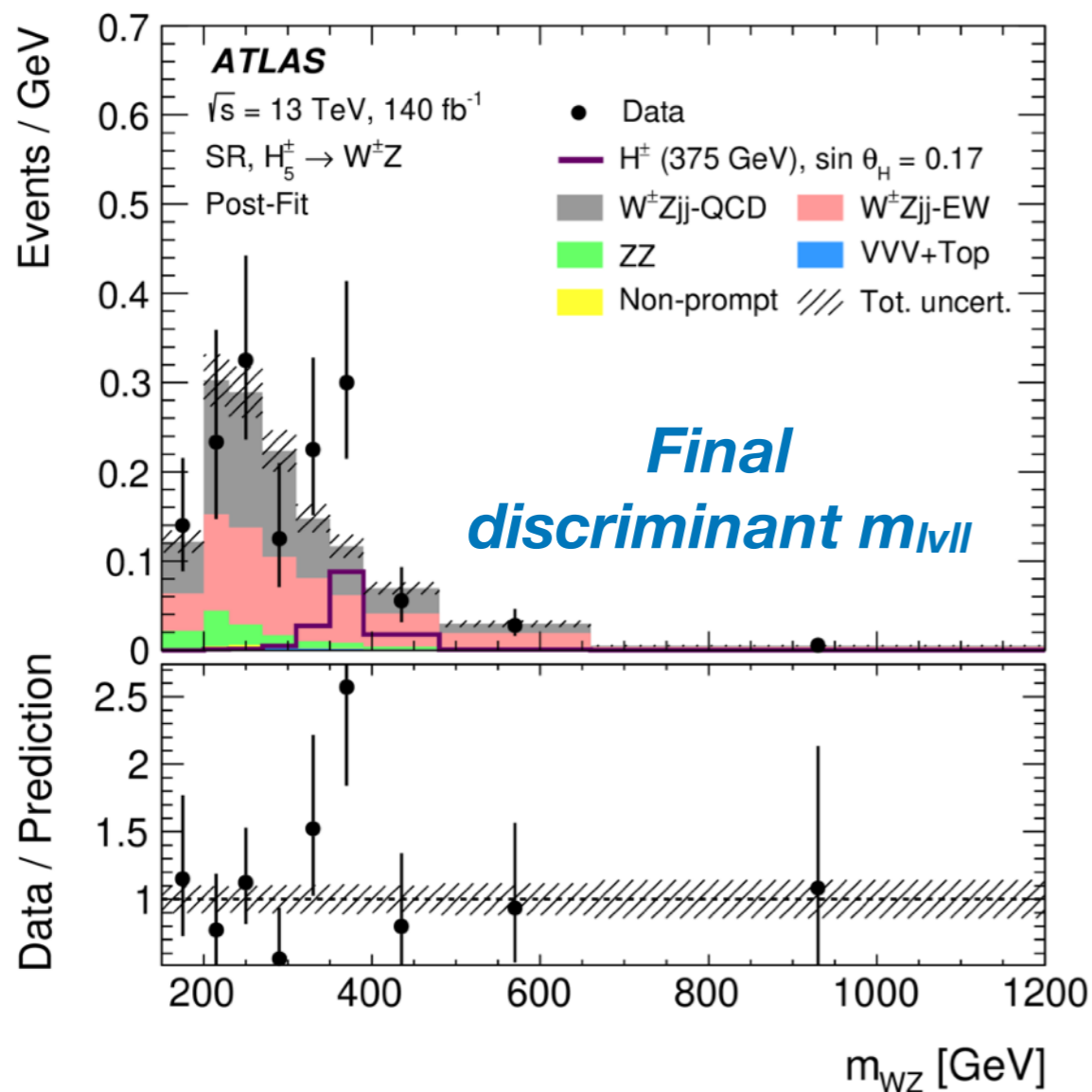


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The phase space: VBF topology

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- Distinct signature in the detector:
 - ▶ **VBF production**: forward jets with high invariant mass and angular separation
 - ▶ **diboson system**: 2 or 3 isolated leptons + missing energy
- Phase space mainly dominated by EWK and QCD diboson production

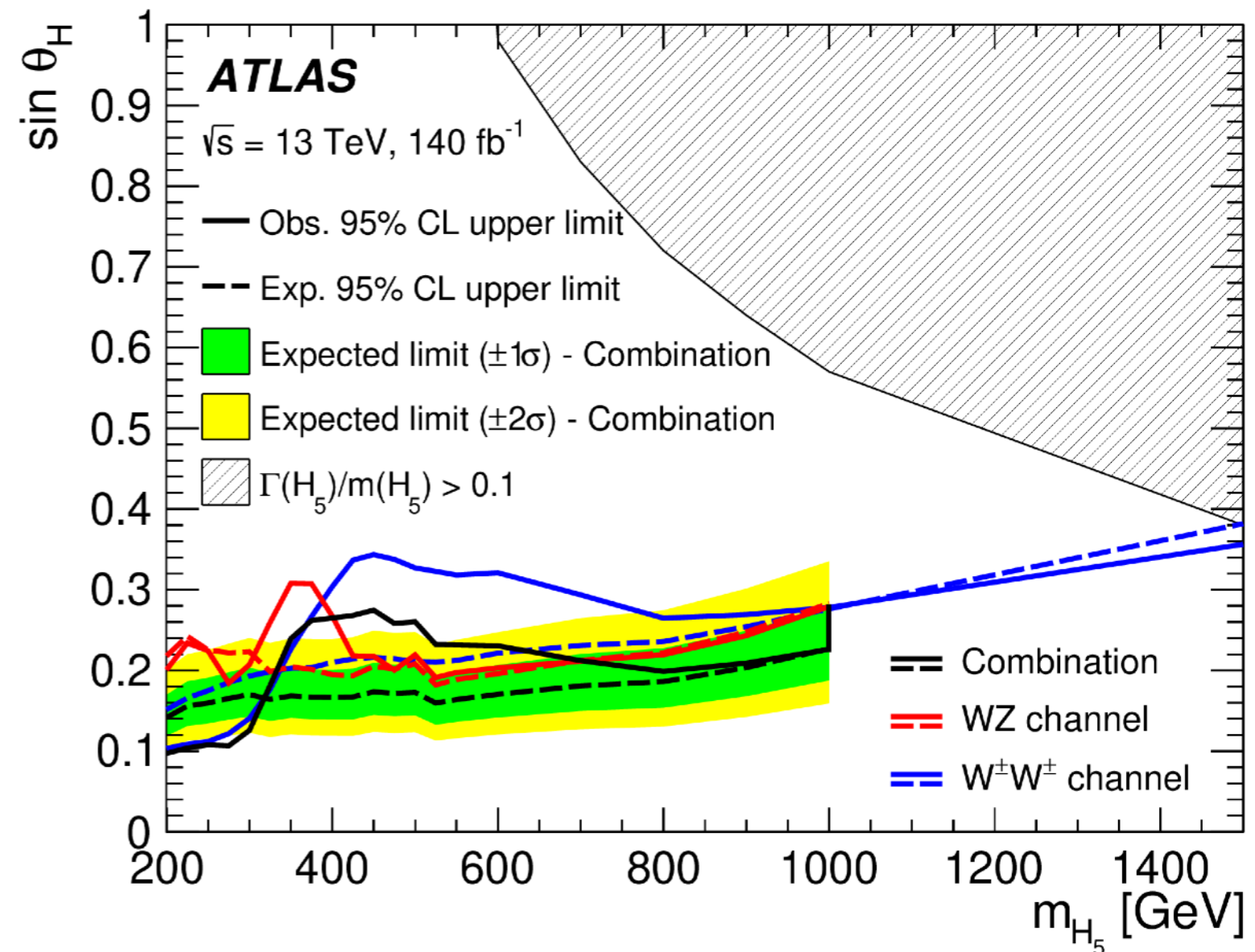


- Followup on the on the slight excesses that both the individual analyses reported
 - ▶ **WZ 2.8 (1.6) σ @375 GeV and WW 3.2 (2.5) σ @450 GeV**
 - ▶ difference can be related to the effect of the detector resolution

- Largest excess @ $m_{H_5} = 375$ GeV
 - ▶ local sigma 3.3
 - ▶ global sigma 2.5

- Data interpreted as exclusion limits on the $\sin\vartheta_H$ as a function of the m_{H_5}

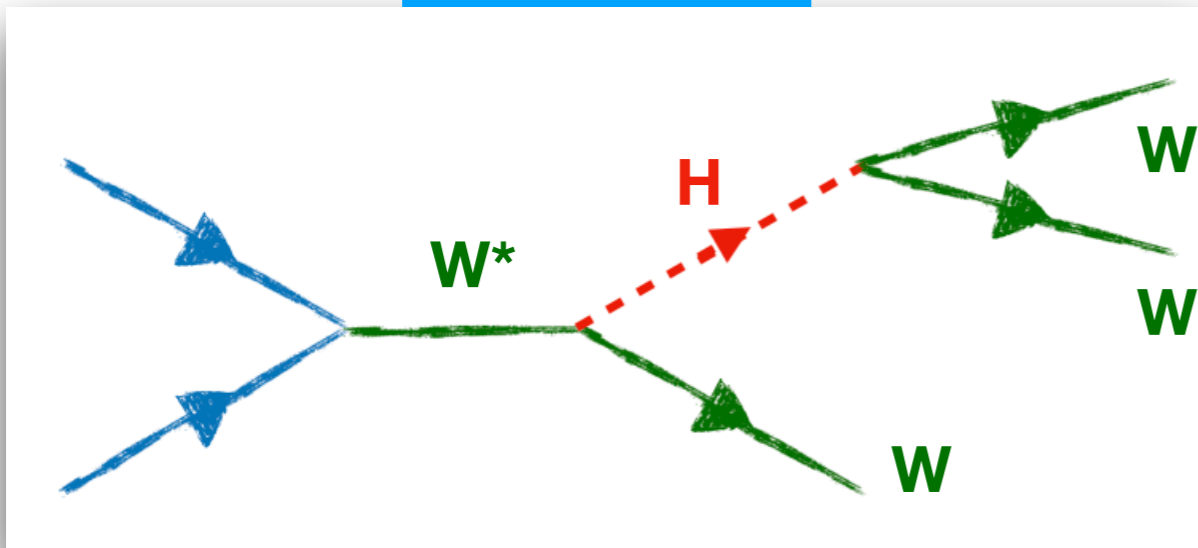
- ▶ **10% to 26% more stringent than the individual analyses**
- ▶ **10% to 50% stronger than CMS results**



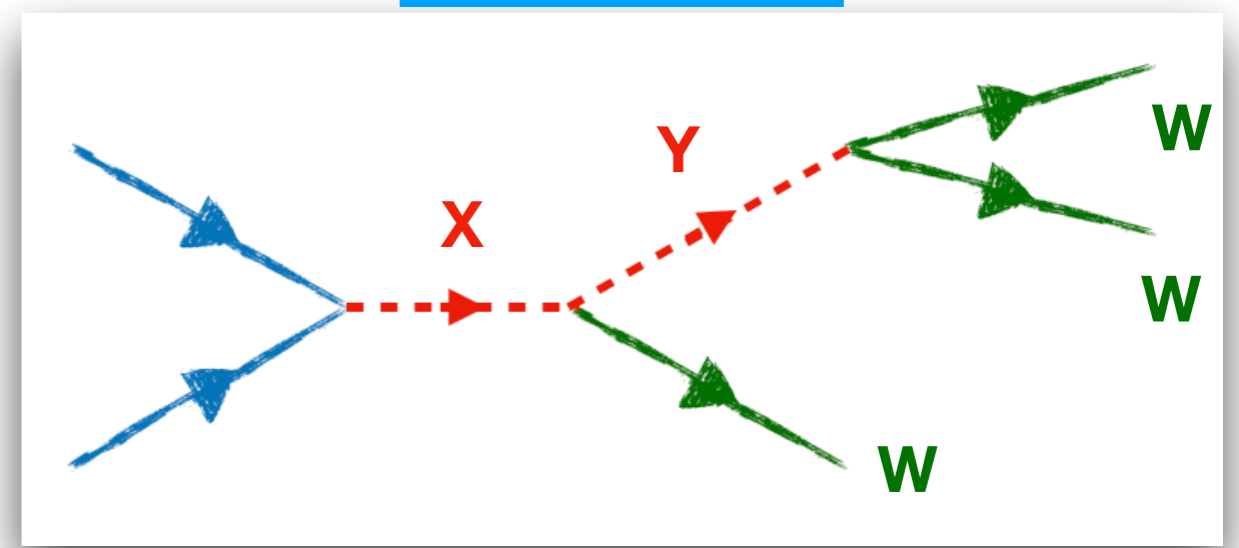
Tri-boson searches: how to

- We have been focusing on diboson signatures and got incredibly amazing results during Run-1/2
 - ▶ **what if NP manifests in other signatures?**
- For example, tri-boson signatures might offer scenarios with lower SM backgrounds
 - ▶ “VX” production, with X generic heavy resonance, ATLAS WH \rightarrow WWW search [JHEP 07 \(2023\) 200](#)
 - ▶ Cascade decays, some from CMS see next slide

VX production



Cascade decay



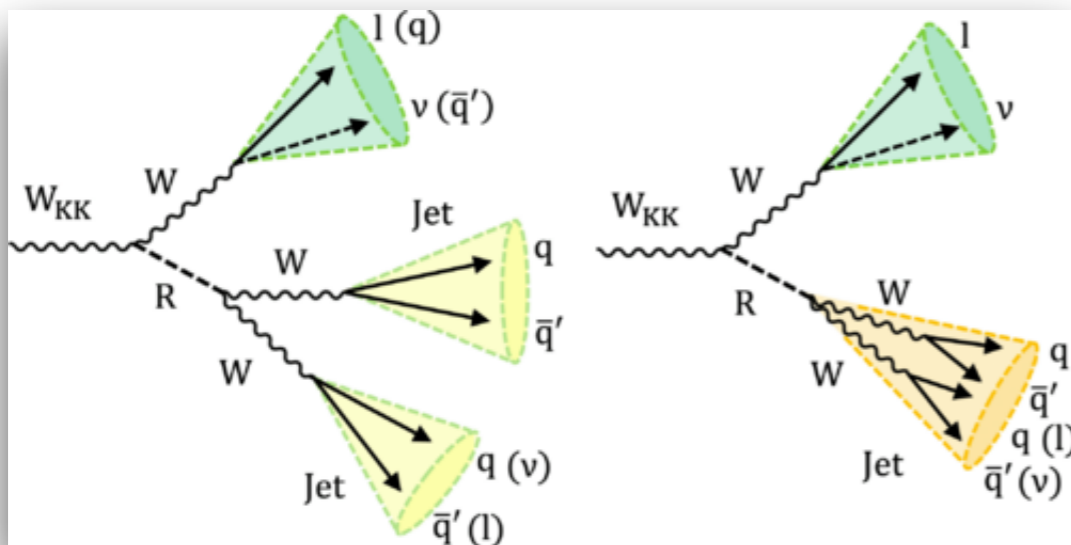


Cascade decays searches

- Can explore a larger phase space looking at 3 jets signatures
 - ▶ fully hadronic final states to explore high mass regimes
- **W_{KK} in tri-bosons final state**
 - ▶ $l\nu + 2 \times 2$ -prongs large-R jets or $l\nu + 1 \times 4$ -prongs large-R jet
- **g_{KK} in tri-jets final state**
 - ▶ 2 x 2-prongs large-R jet + 1 gluon-initiated jet

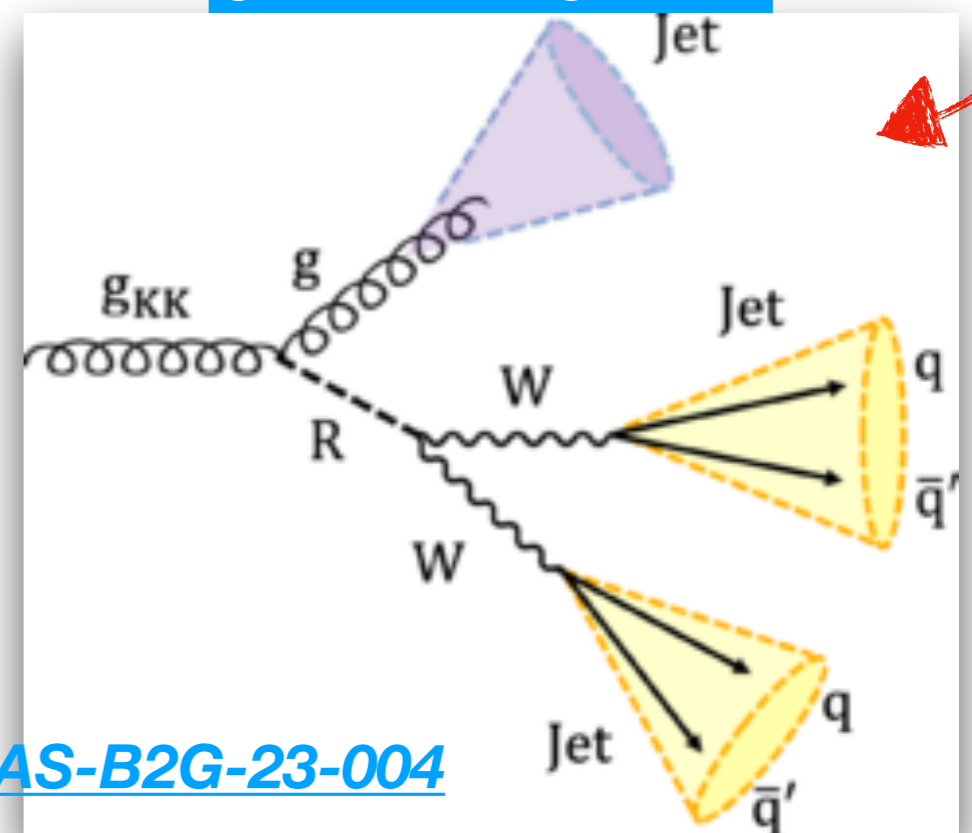
Discussed today

WWW: $l\nu JJ$ or $l\nu J$ signatures



[PhysRevLett.129.021802](https://arxiv.org/abs/1802.02180)

gWW: JJJ signature

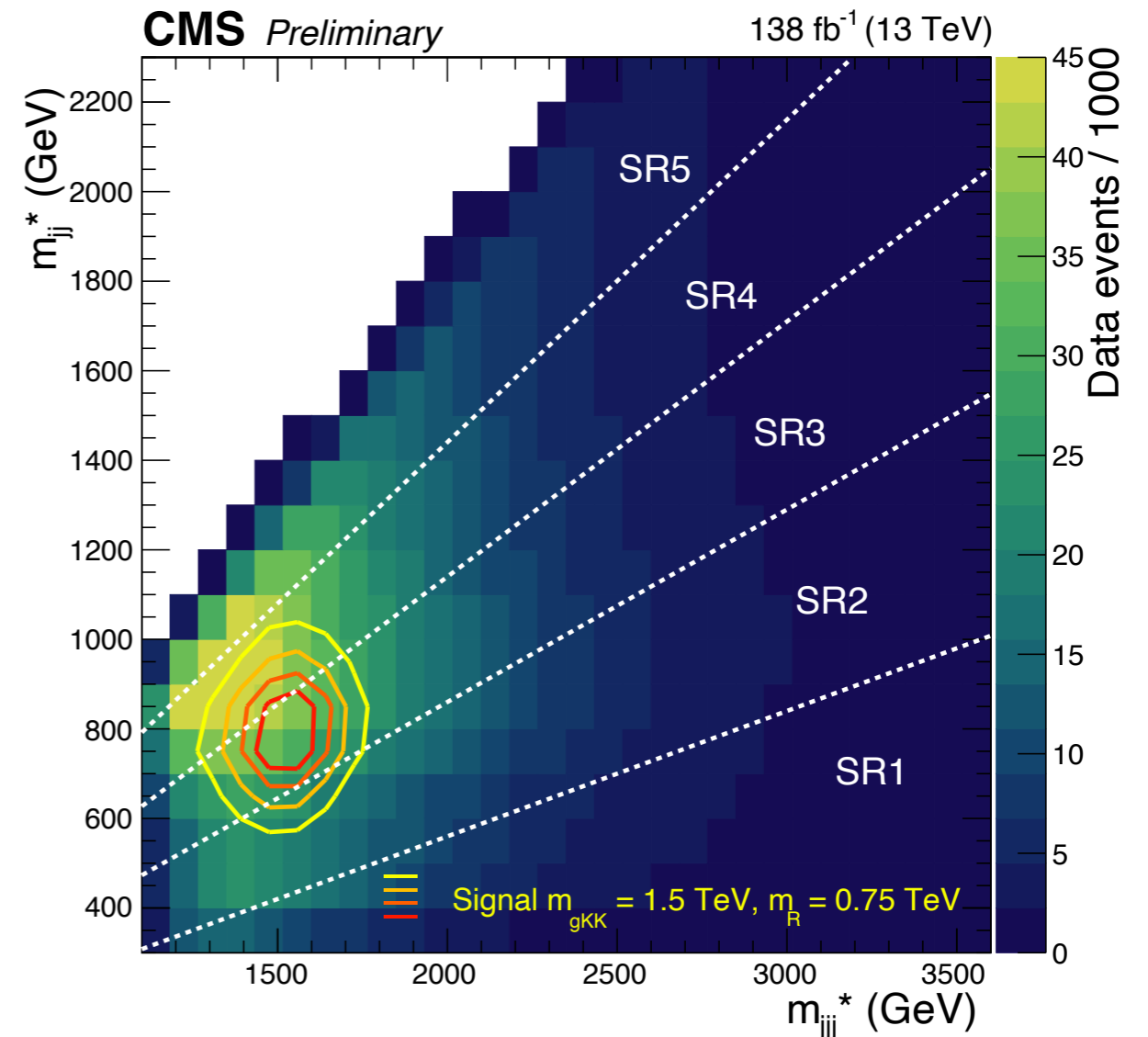
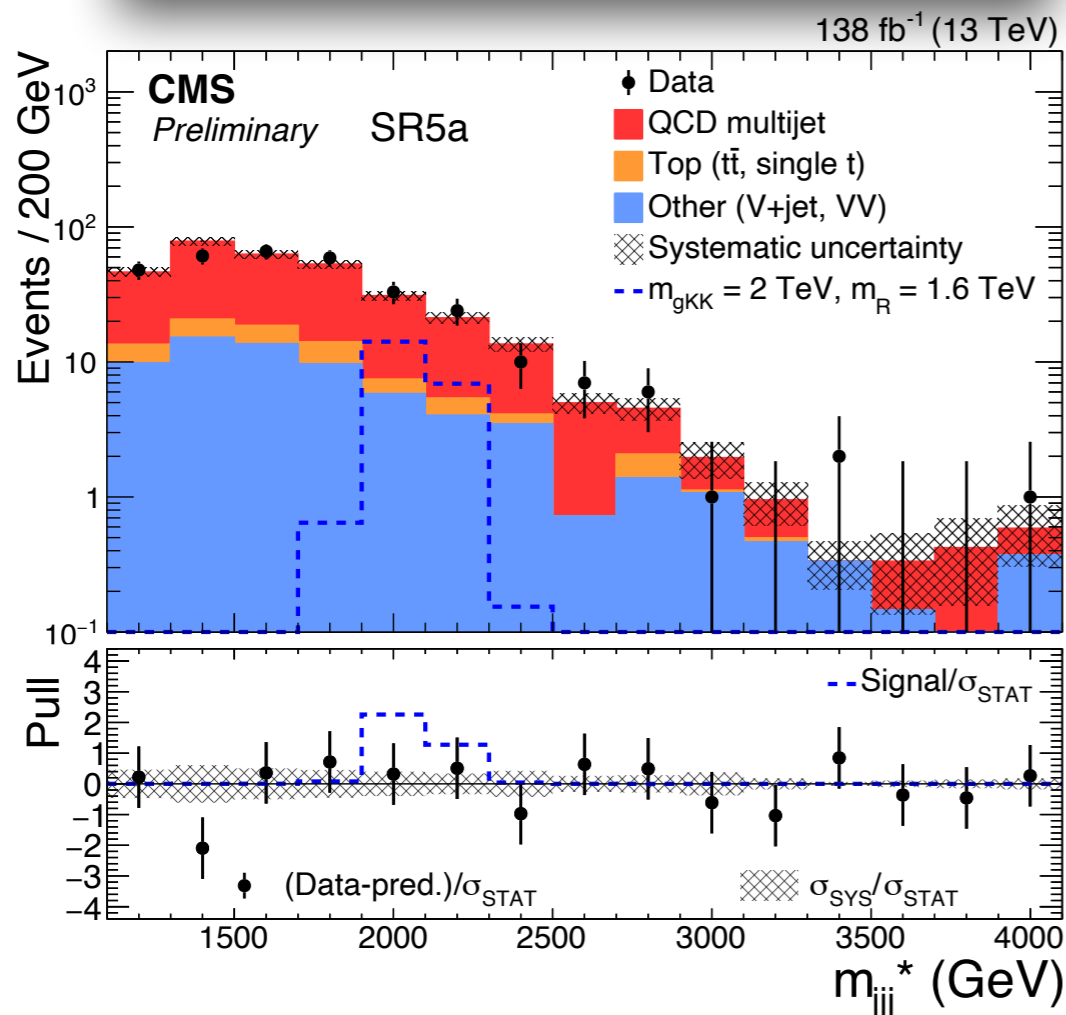


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gWW search: challenges

- Sensitive variable: modified invariant mass
 - ▶ improve the signals resolution
 - ▶ define several SRs to optimise the sensitivity to different mass grid hypotheses
- The main multi-jets background estimated via data driven (ABCD)

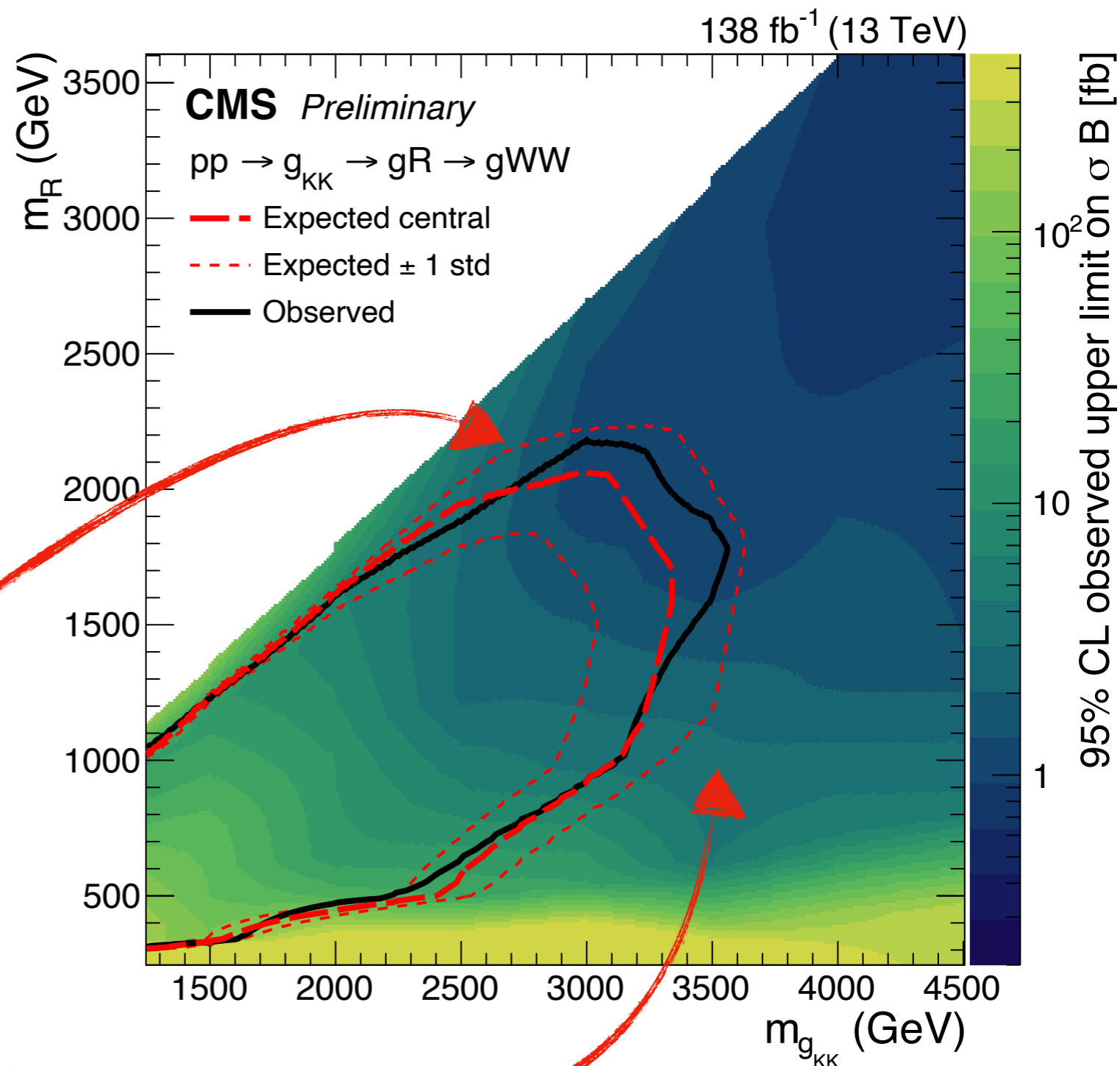
$$m_{jjj}^* \equiv m_{jjj} - m_{ja} - m_{jb} + 2 \times 85 \text{ GeV}$$



- No significant excess with respect to the SM predictions
- Interpret the results in the context of the **extended Warped Extra Dimension model**

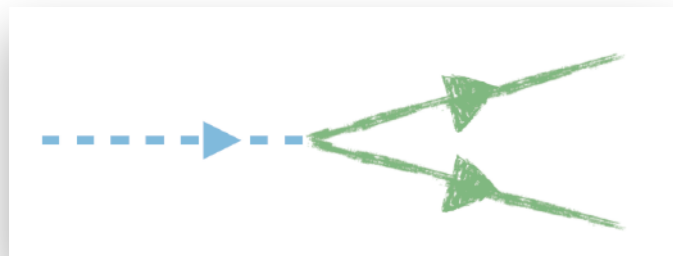
- ▶ g_{KK} spin-1
- ▶ Radion spin-0
- ▶ set limits on the g_{KK} and R masses

Warped extra dimensions extended model exclusion: g_{KK} up to 3.5 TeV and R up to 2.2

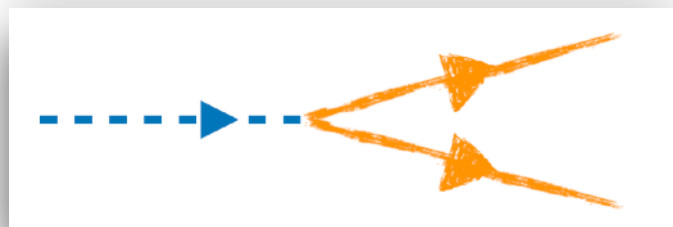


New higgs associated channels

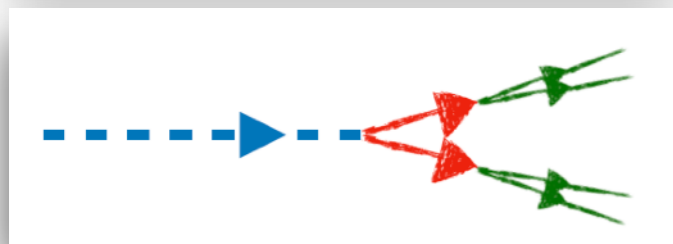
- Historical Vh searches can be extended by looking at new final states
 - ▶ e.g. $Z(ll/vv) h(cc)$ and $Z(ll/vv) h(VV^* \rightarrow 4q)$
- This is possible thanks to the new and improved jet tagging techniques
- We can explore more final states and get benefits in combinations with previous channels
 - ▶ *note: the $Zh \rightarrow ZVV^*$ channel in some sense can be another example of tri-boson search!*



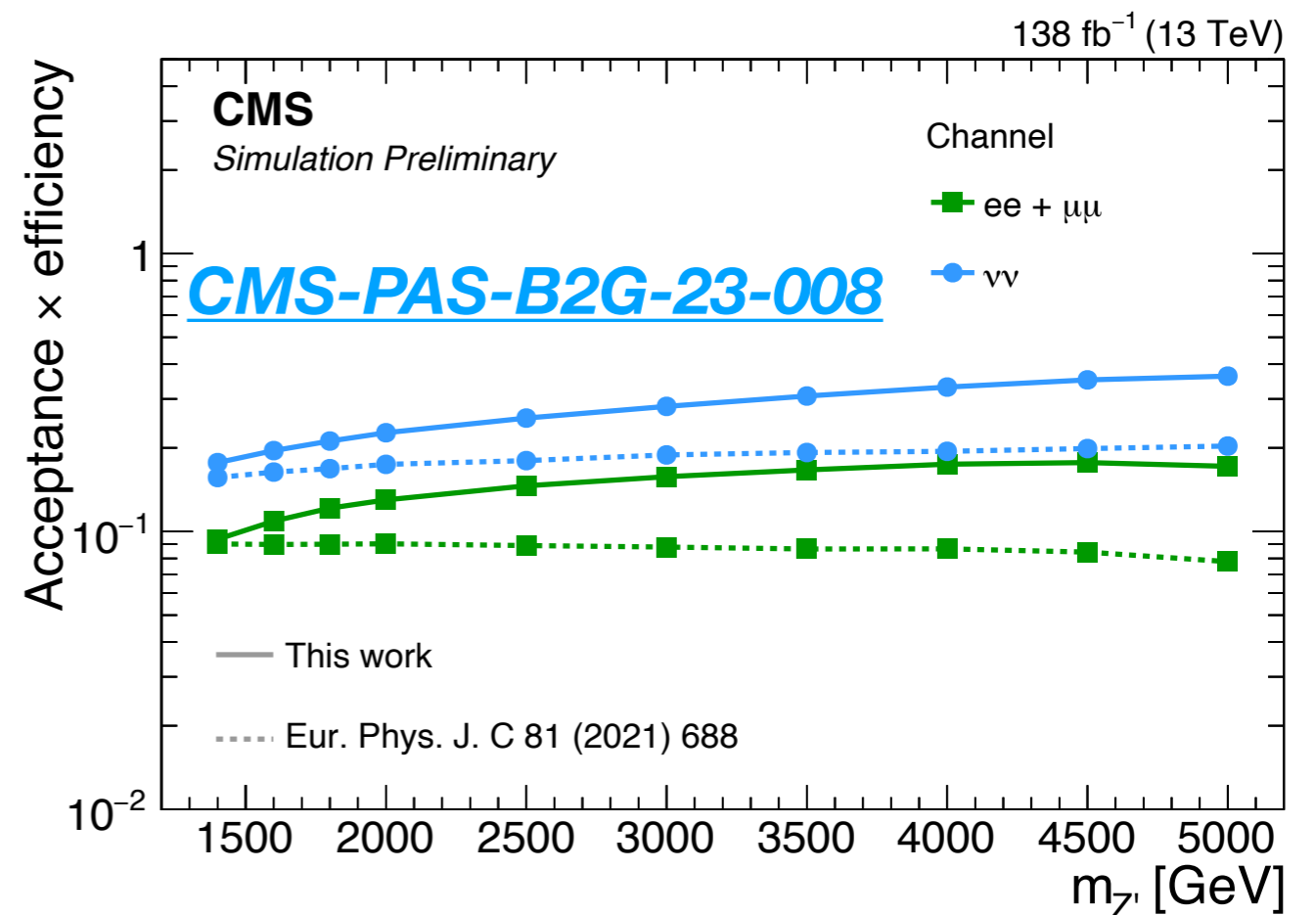
$h \rightarrow bb$



$h \rightarrow cc$



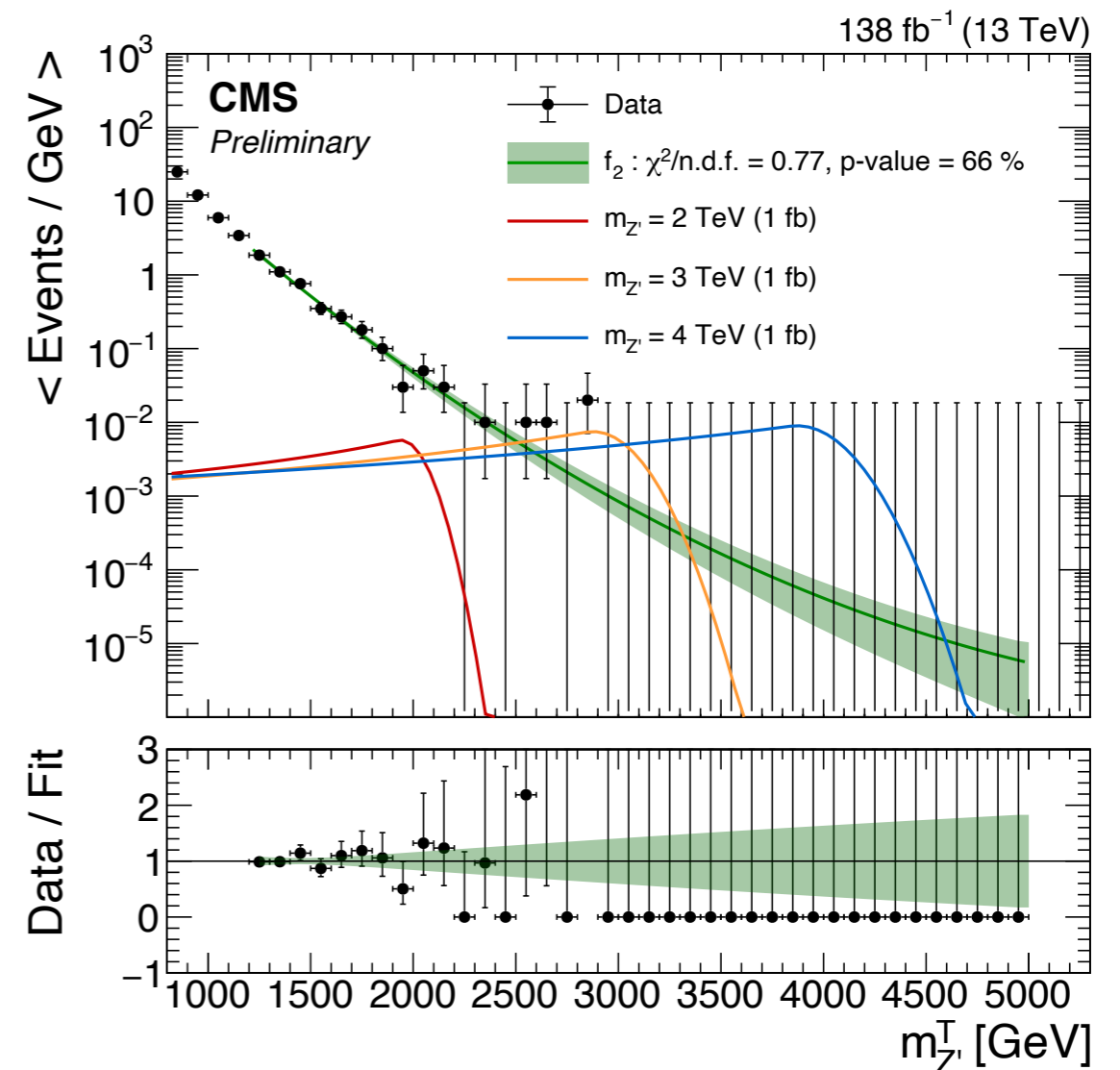
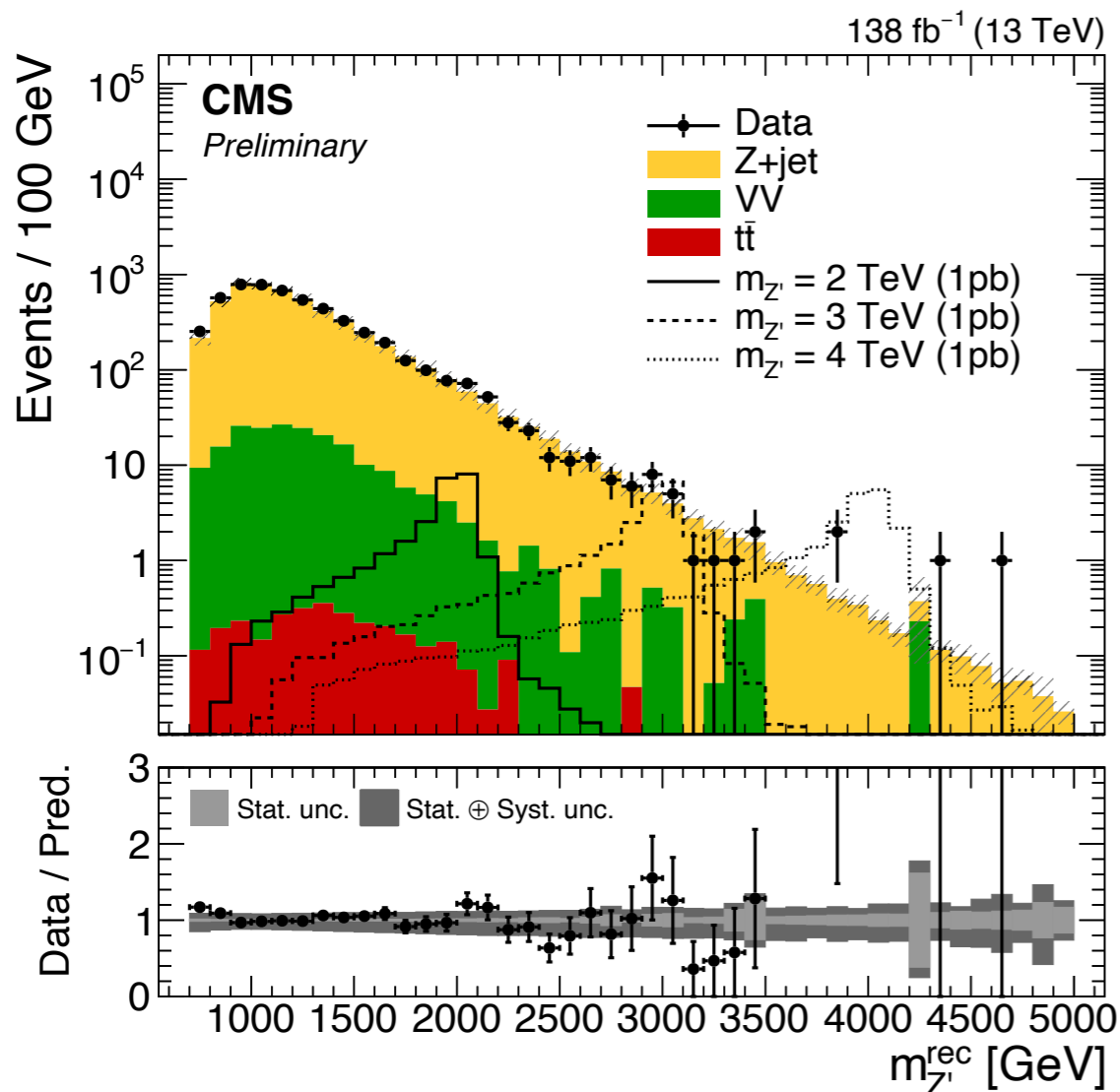
$h \rightarrow VV^* \rightarrow 4q$



Zh(cc) and Zh(4q) semi-leptonic

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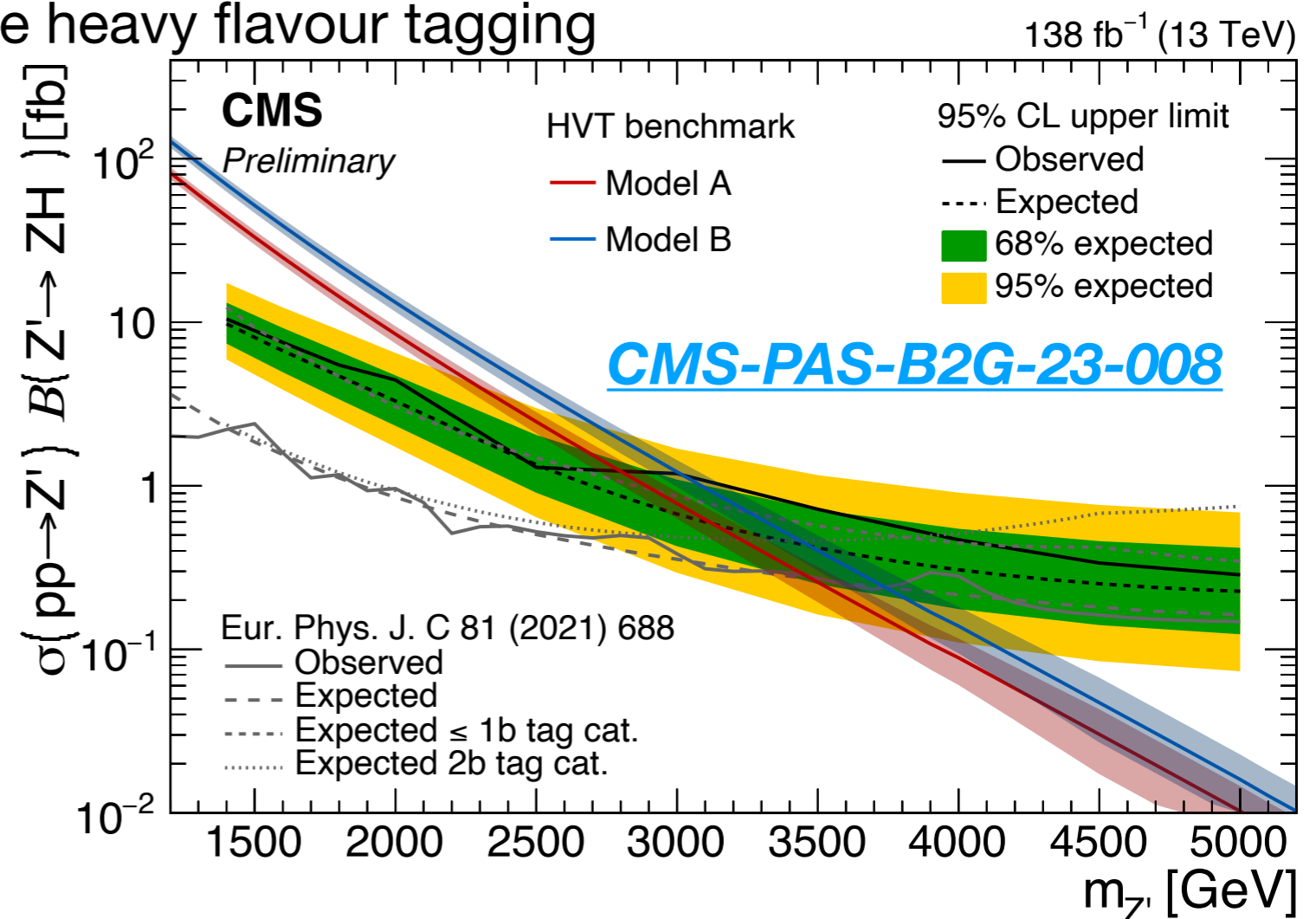
- The SM background is mainly dominated by Z+jets production
 - ▶ contamination from W+jets and ttbar in the Z(vv) channel
- Data driven background estimation
 - ▶ reduce the amount of MC modelling uncertainties
 - ▶ functional form fit to the falling down SM bkg and to signal parameterisation



Zh semi-leptonic interpretation

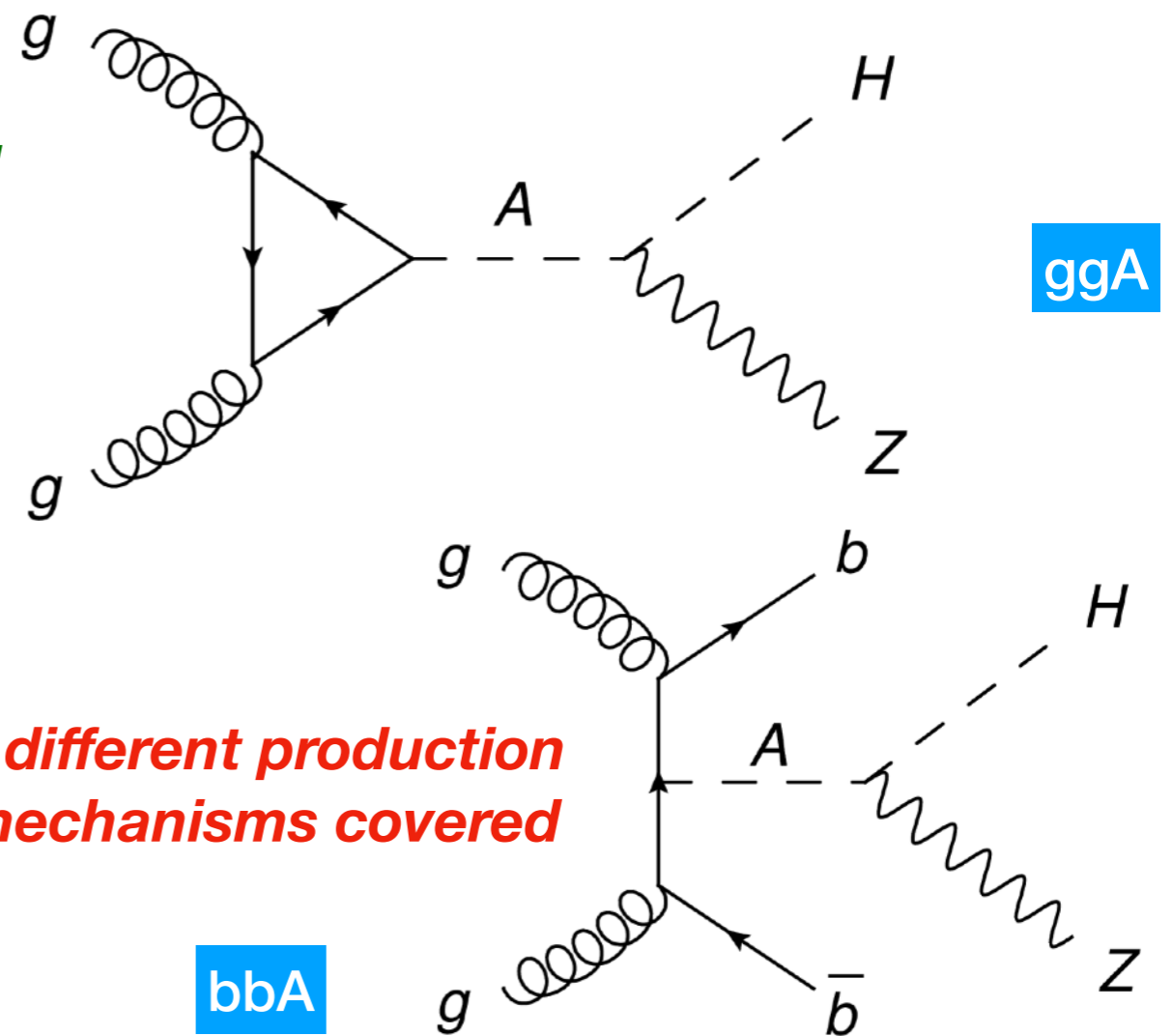
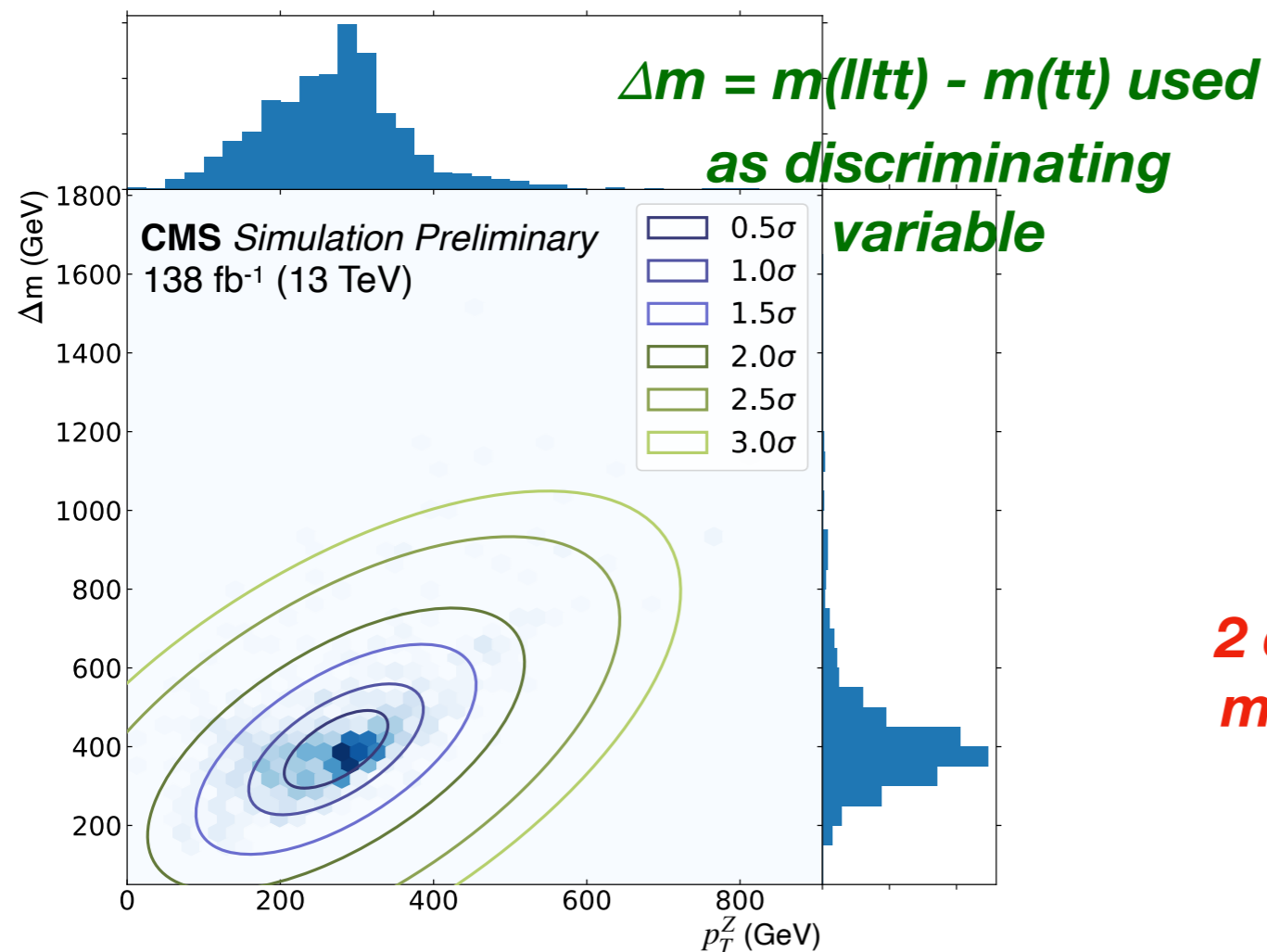
- The data are interpreted in the context of the HVT spin-1 model
 - ▶ model-A, $m_{Z'} < 2.8$ TeV
 - ▶ model-B, $m_{Z'} < 3.0$ TeV
- The $Z(\nu\nu)$ channel is dominating over the $Z(\ell\ell)$ channel
- Comparison with respect to the baseline Zh(bb) search
 - ▶ better sensitivity due to the heavy flavour tagging

New channels offer the possibility to improve combinations and push for further jet tagging techniques improvements!



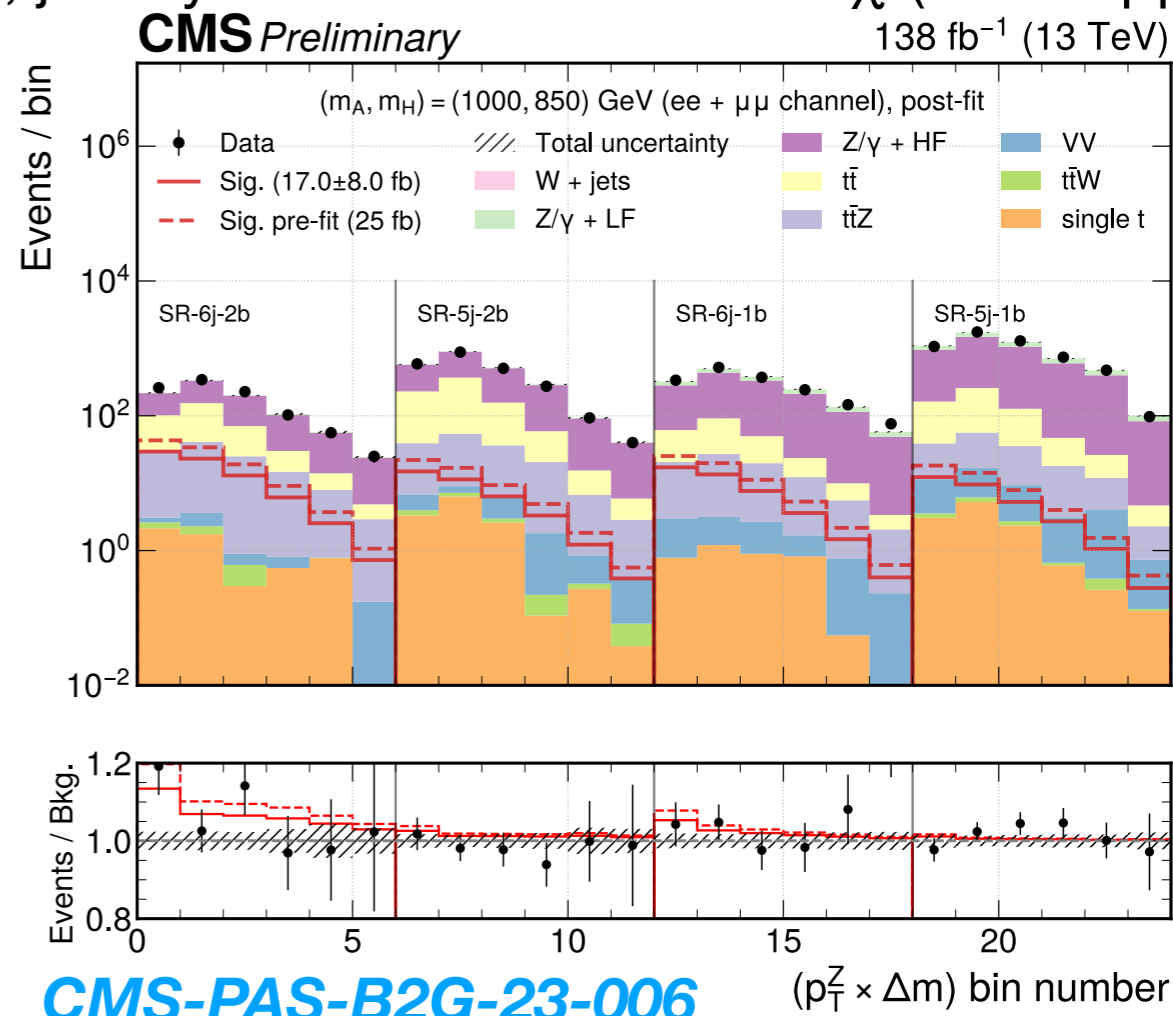
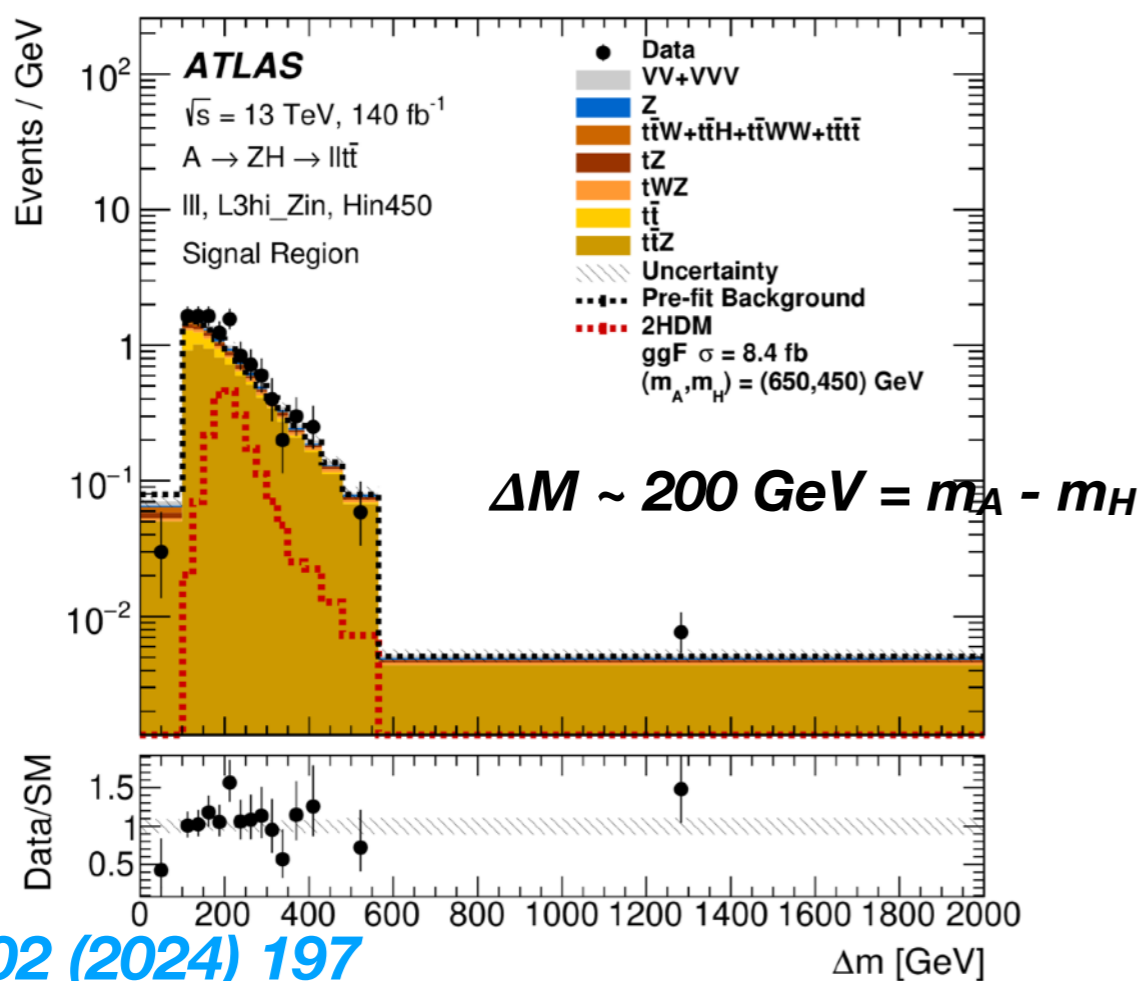
2HDM: AZH searches

- Explore final states with one SM and one BSM boson
 - Z + high mass Higgs
- 2HDM parameter space
 - new $lltt$ final state to enhance the sensitivity for $m_H > 2 \cdot m_{\text{Top}}$ with the $H \rightarrow tt$ decay being dominant



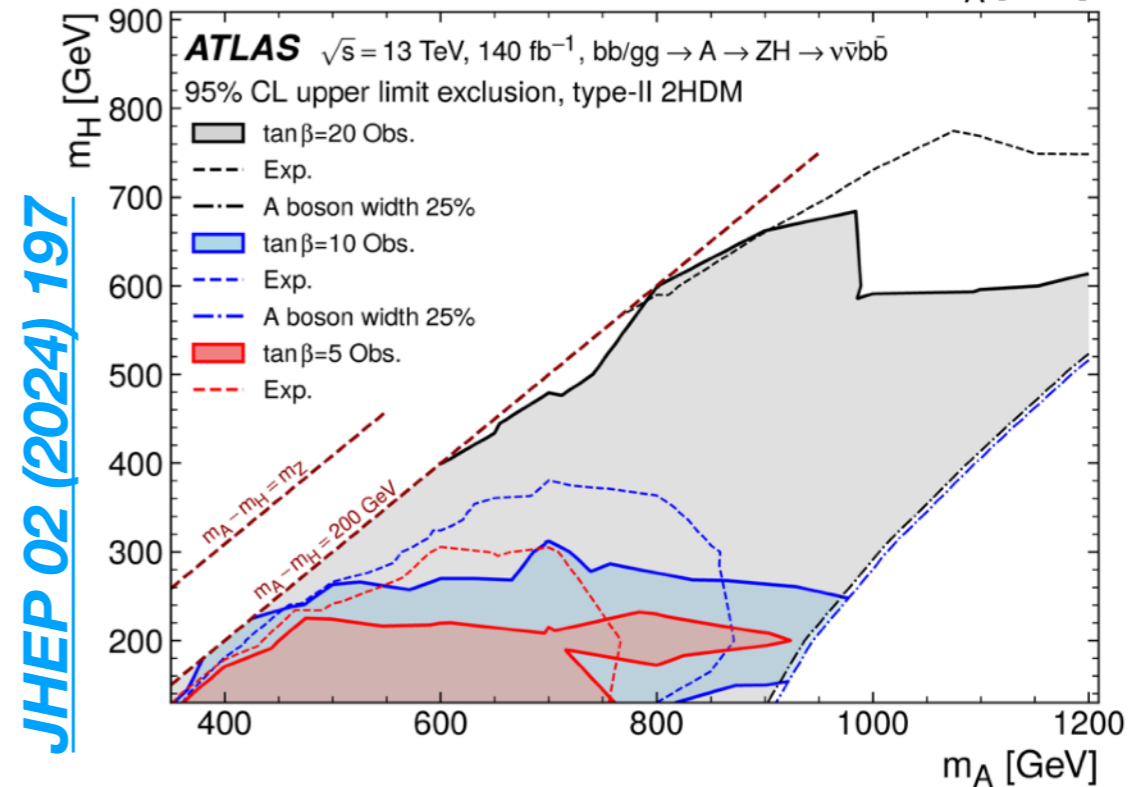
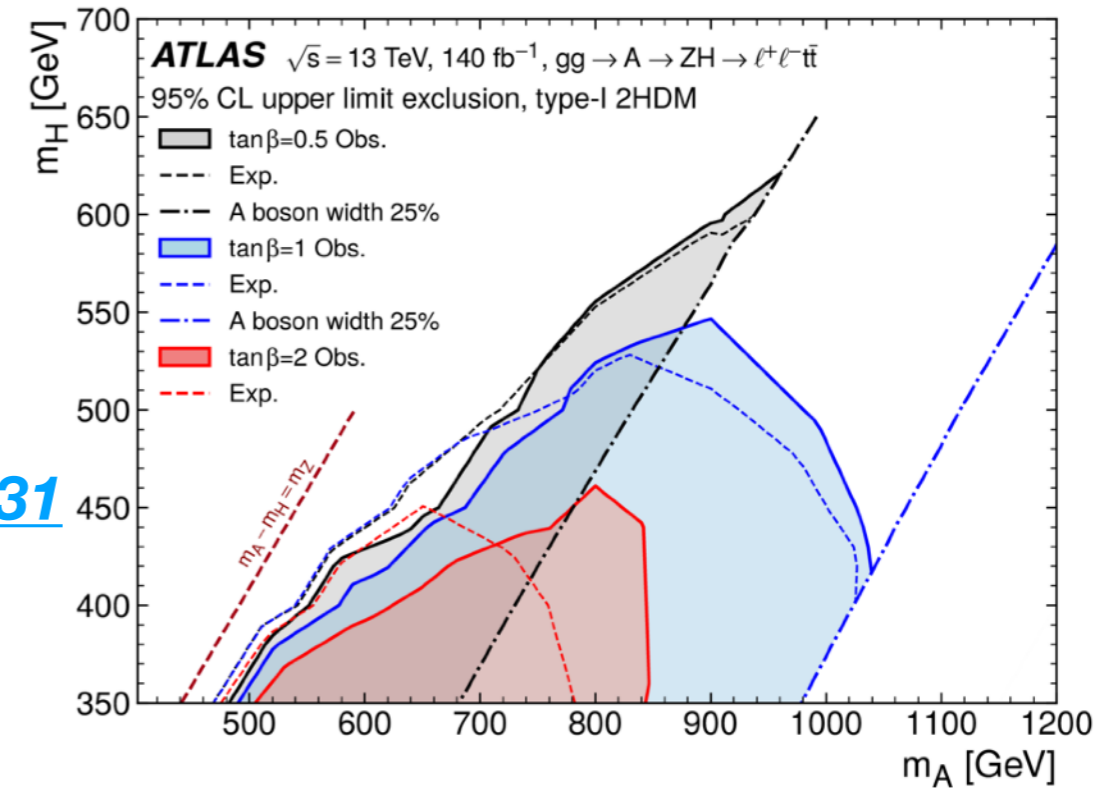
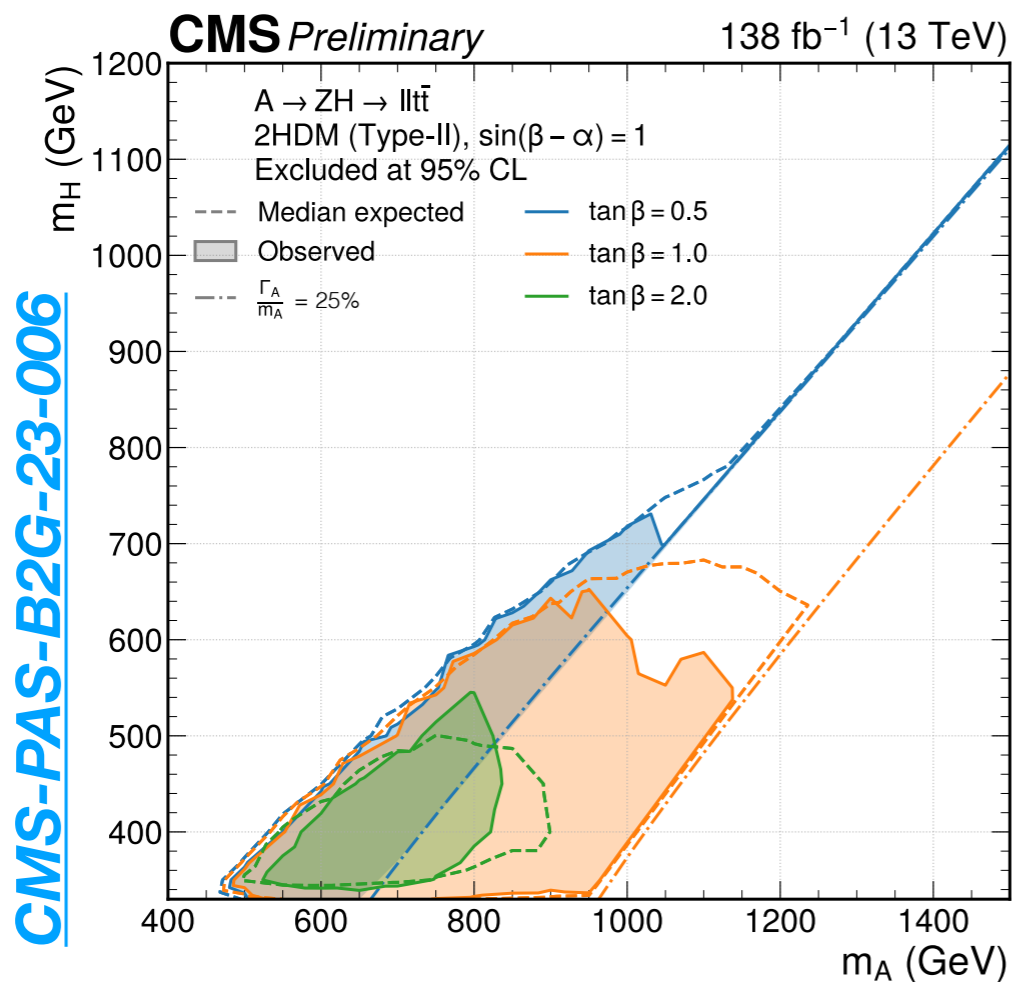
Where to look for

- Recent and exciting results:
 - ▶ **[ATLAS] AZH $\rightarrow \nu\nu bb$ and $l\bar{l}t$, with tt semi-leptonic**
 - ▶ **[CMS] AZH $\rightarrow l\bar{l}t$, with tt fully hadronic**
- Resolve the final state is challenging given the many objects
 - ▶ **tt semi-leptonic**: t_{lep} over t_{had} pairing, improve resolution by constraining $m(l\nu)$ and $m(qq')$ systems and $m(tt)$
 - ▶ **tt fully hadronic**: if more than 5 or 6 jets, jets system that minimise the $\chi^2(tt \rightarrow bqqbqq)$



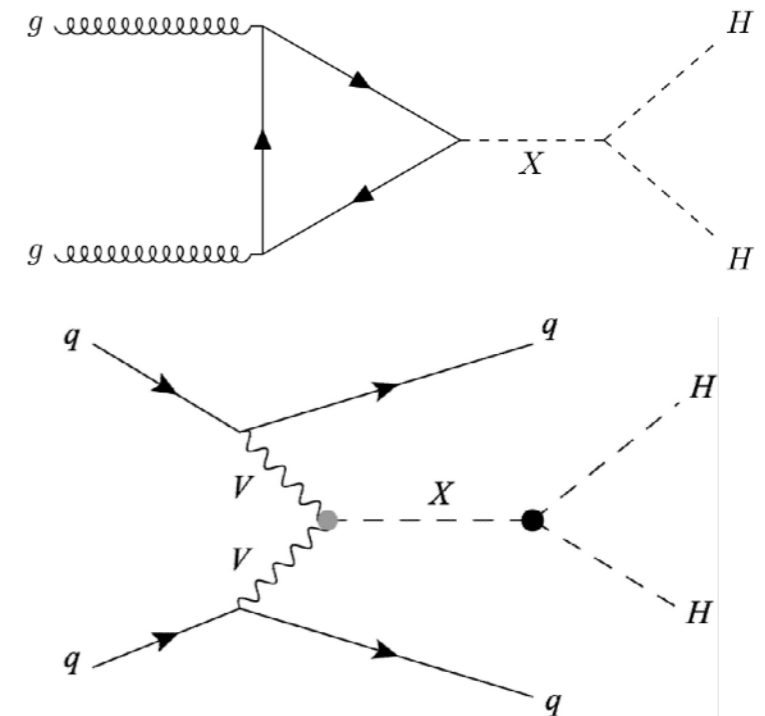
Limits on 2HDM model

- Data interpreted in the context of type-I and type-II 2HDM
 - different $\tan\beta$ hypotheses
- Most significant excess
 - ATLAS 2.85σ (local) 2.35σ (global)
@(m_A, m_H) = (650, 450) GeV
 - not confirmed from CMS
- For more, theory “Smoking gun” paper [arxiv.2309.17431](https://arxiv.org/abs/2309.17431)



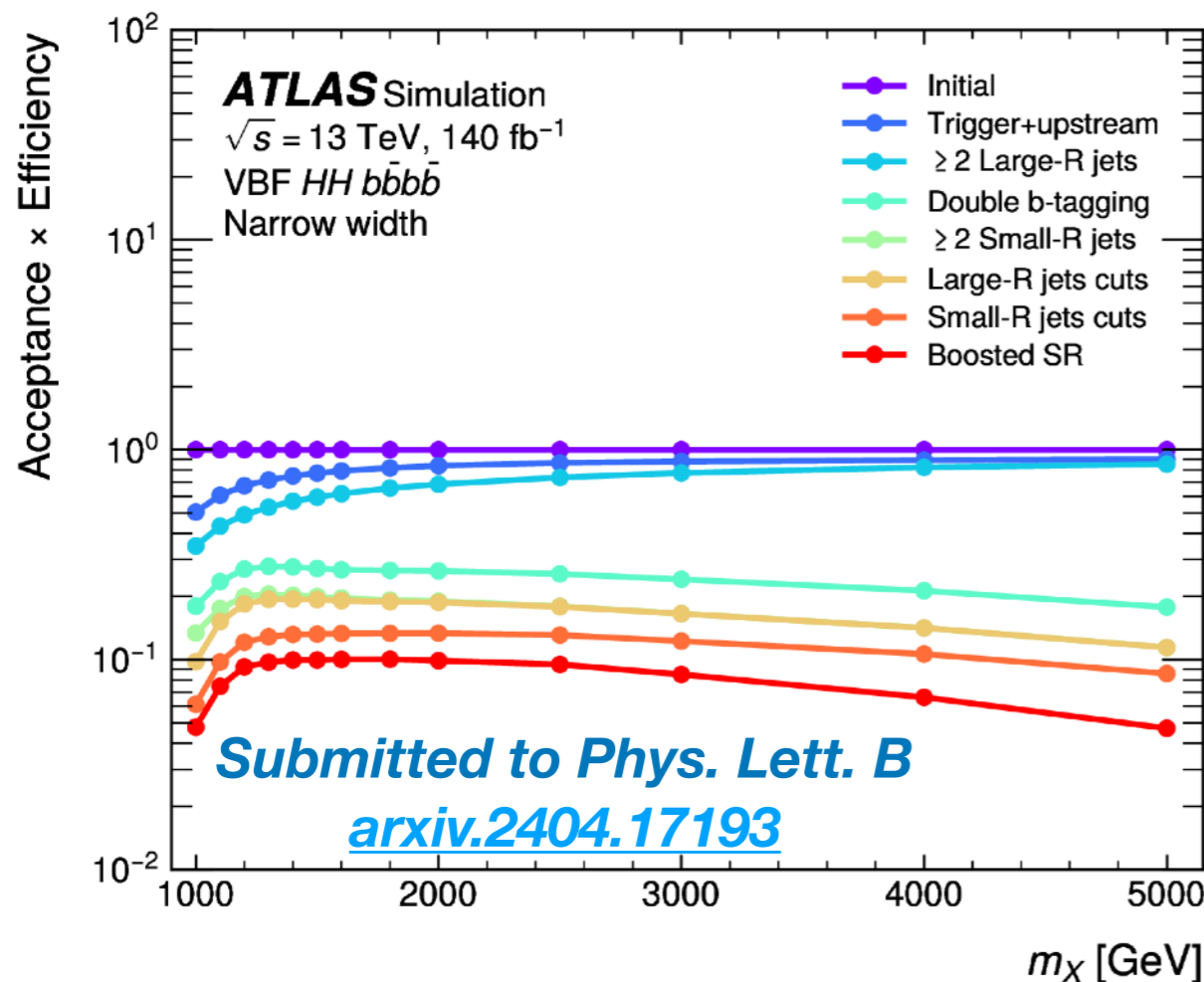
hh resonant searches

- Di-higgs signatures offer the possibility to explore the presence of new resonances
 - ▶ strongly connection between resonant and non-resonant searches!
- Two new final states recently published
 - ▶ VBF 4b (boosted) and bbWW multi-leptons



bbWW channel:
1lep (lvqq) and 2lep (lvlv)
second largest combined BR

	bb	WW	$\tau\tau$	ZZ	$\gamma\gamma$
bb	34%				
WW	25%	4.6%			
$\tau\tau$	7.3%	2.7%	0.39%		
ZZ	3.1%	1.1%	0.33%	0.069%	
$\gamma\gamma$	0.26%	0.10%	0.028%	0.012%	0.0005%



How to estimate the background

- **Fully hadronic final states**

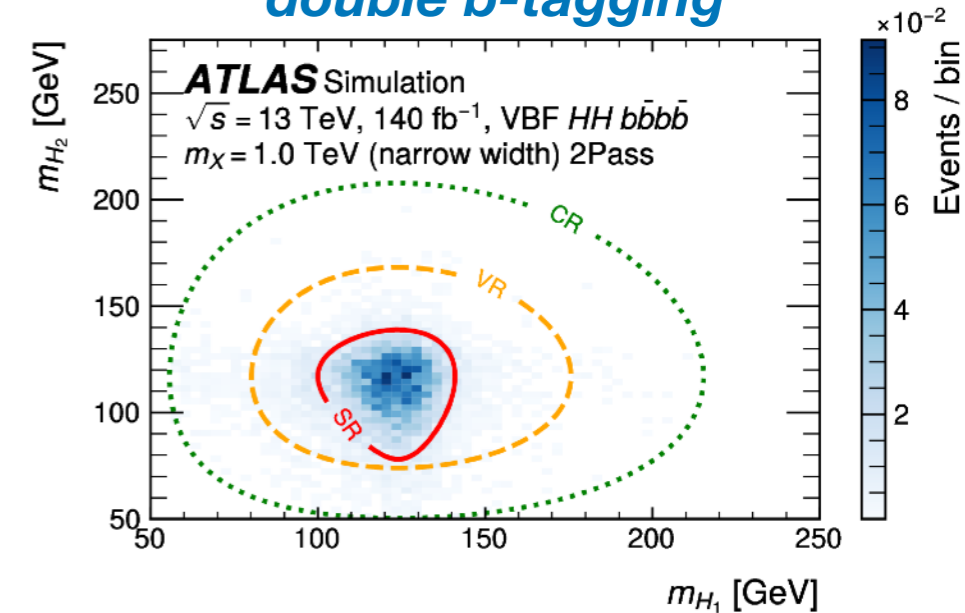
- ▶ QCD multijets production estimated via data driven technique

- **Final states with leptons**

- ▶ V+jets and ttbar dominant backgrounds, still possible via MC simulations

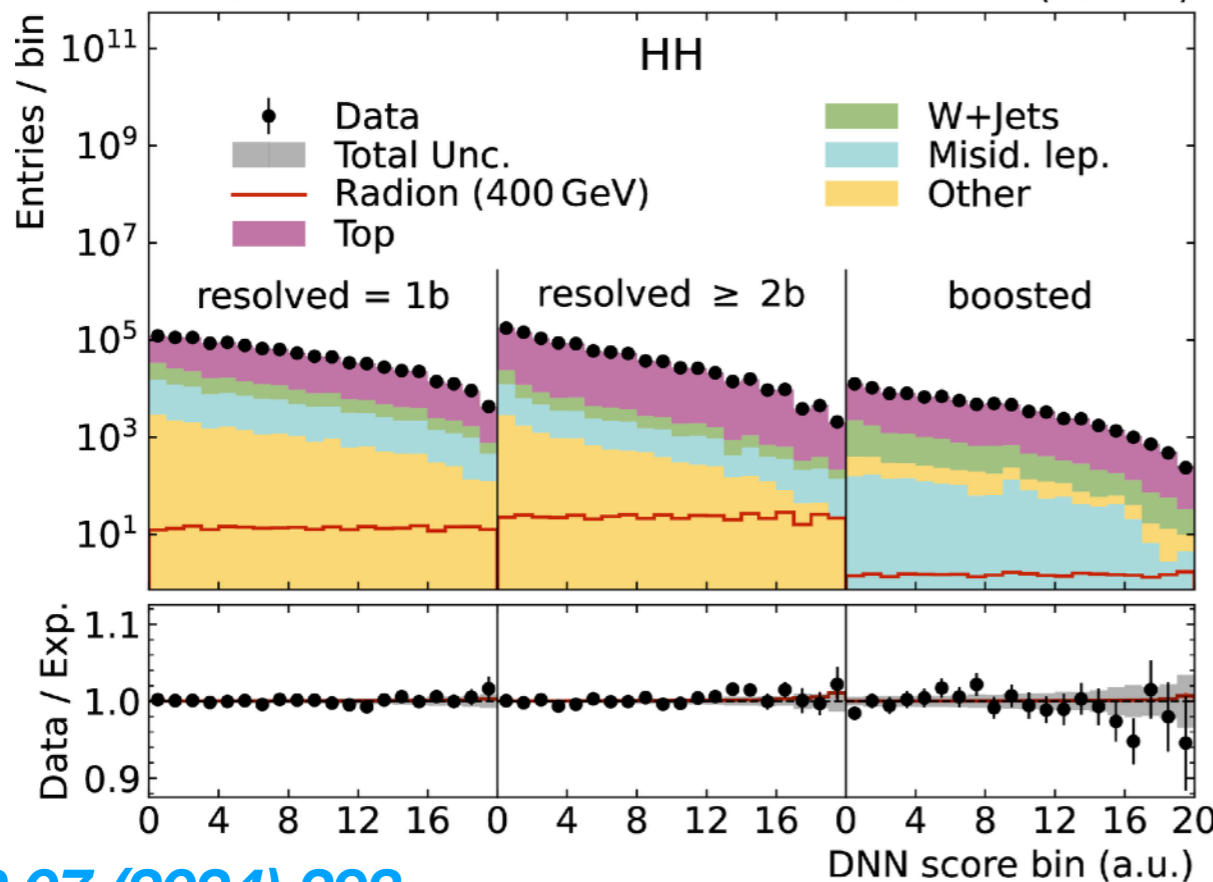
- ML techniques to enhance the sensitivity to the signal

SR: two large-R passing double b-tagging

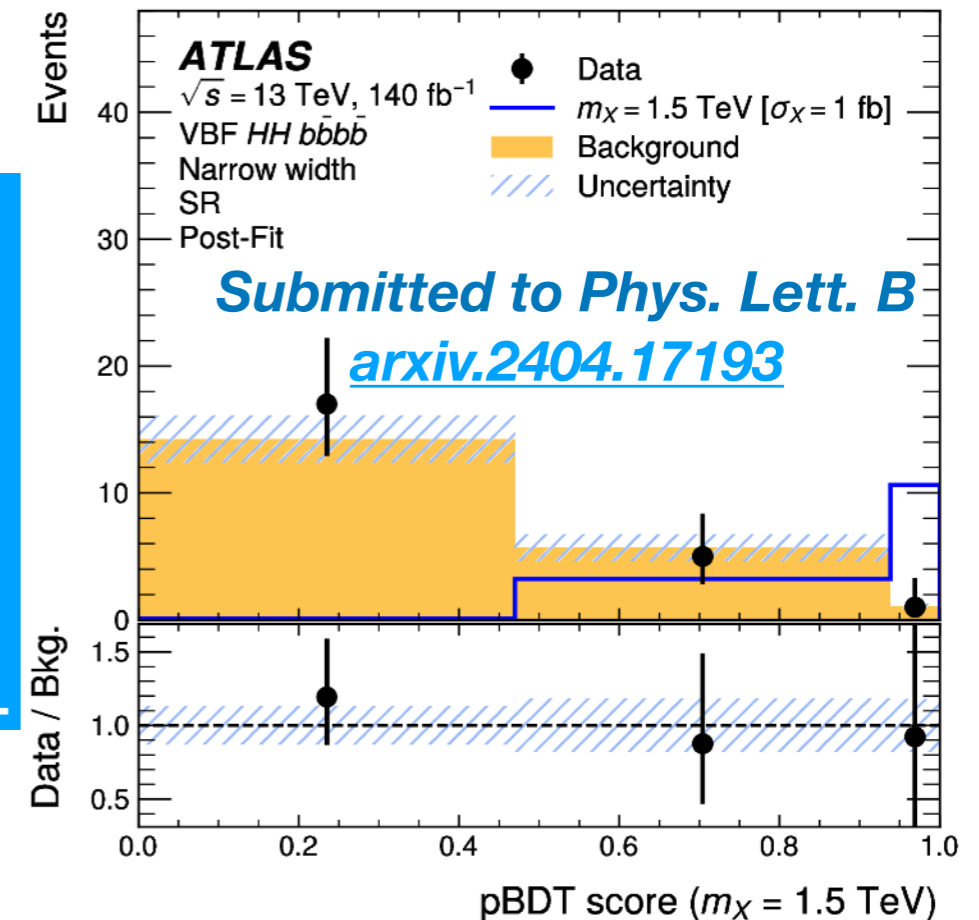


CMS

138 fb⁻¹ (13 TeV)



parameterised-BDT

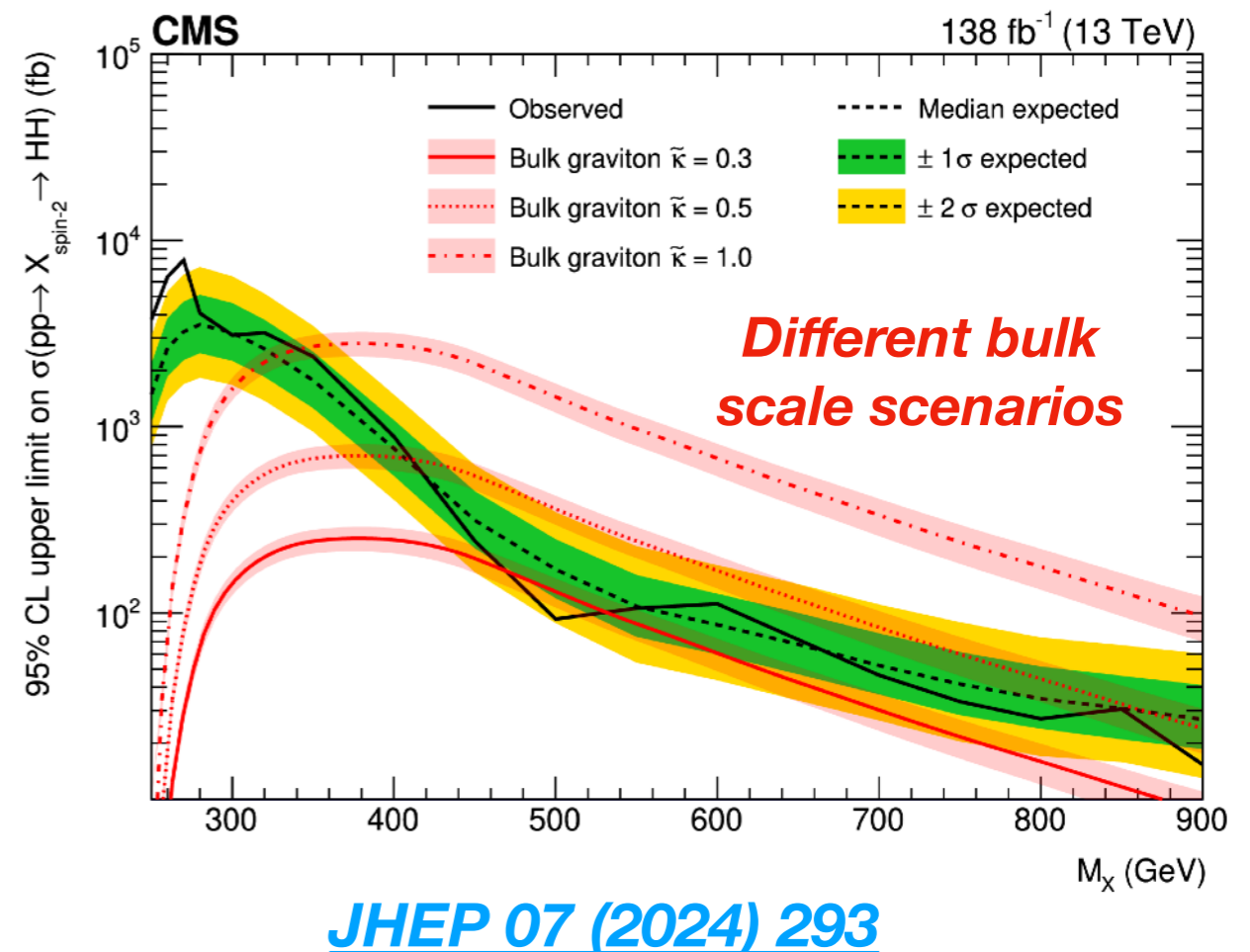
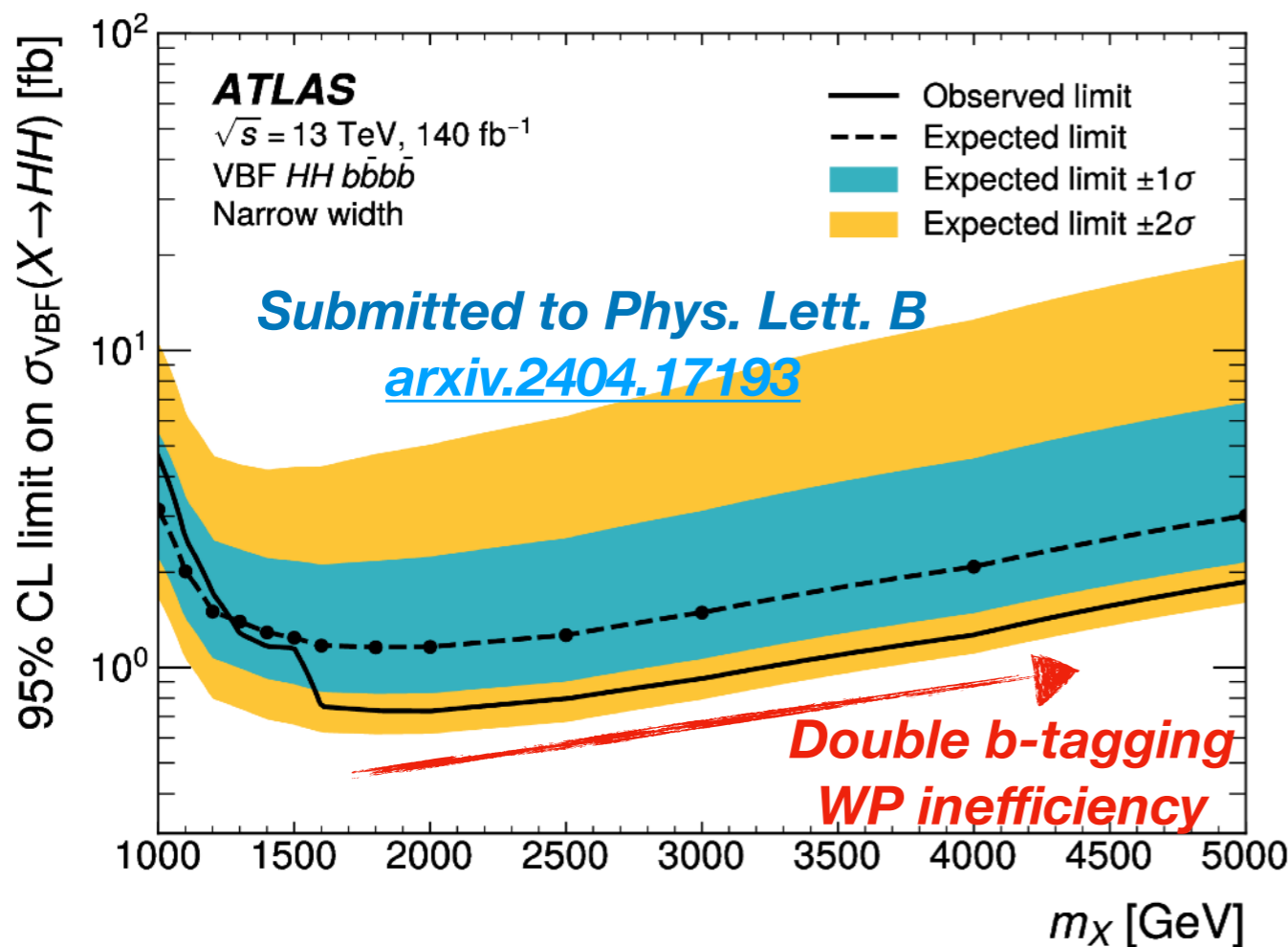


DNN + Lorentz Boost
Network as pre-processor

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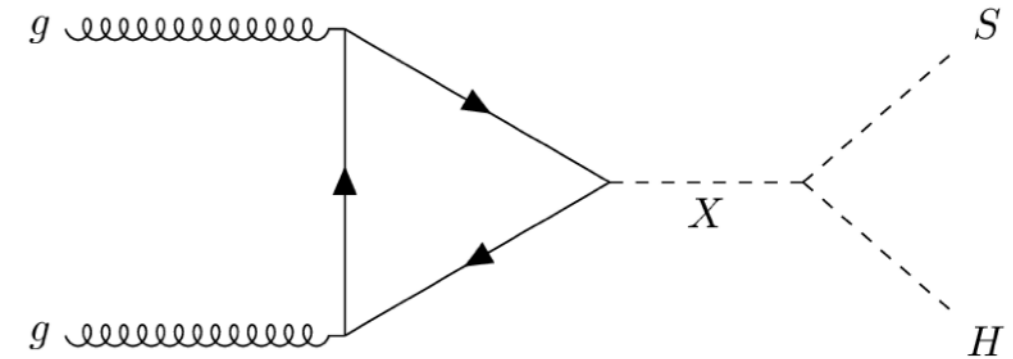
Recent hh results

- Combined fit using the ML output scores
- Data in the SRs are interpreted in the context of new resonances:
 - ▶ **spin-0 narrow and broad width resonance**
 - ▶ **spin-0 radion and spin-2 graviton**
- Upper limits on the $X \rightarrow hh$ cross section in complementary mass ranges
 - ▶ boosted 4b sensitivity up to high mass
 - ▶ bbWW lower mass, competitive with bb $\gamma\gamma$ above 700 GeV

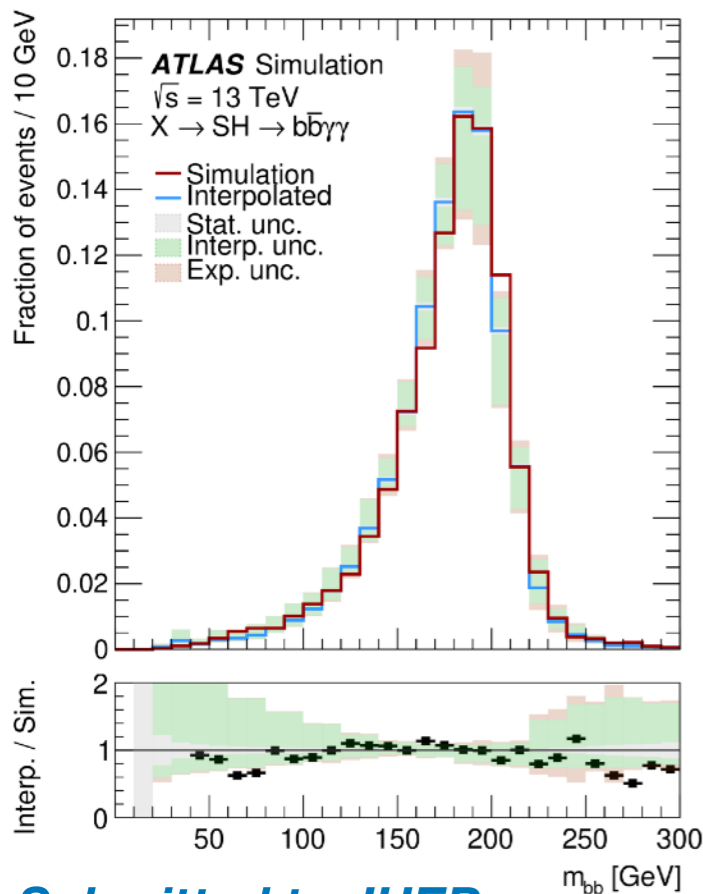


Sh resonant searches

- Resonant searches extending the phase space by relaxing the hypothesis on the mass on one of the higgs
 - $X \rightarrow Sh$, different final states covered
- Searches inspired from the 2HDM+S ([arxiv.1808.02667](https://arxiv.org/abs/1808.02667)) or NMSSM models ([Phys. Rep. 496 \(2010\)](https://arxiv.org/abs/1002.3483))
- Where to look for to catch the signal?**

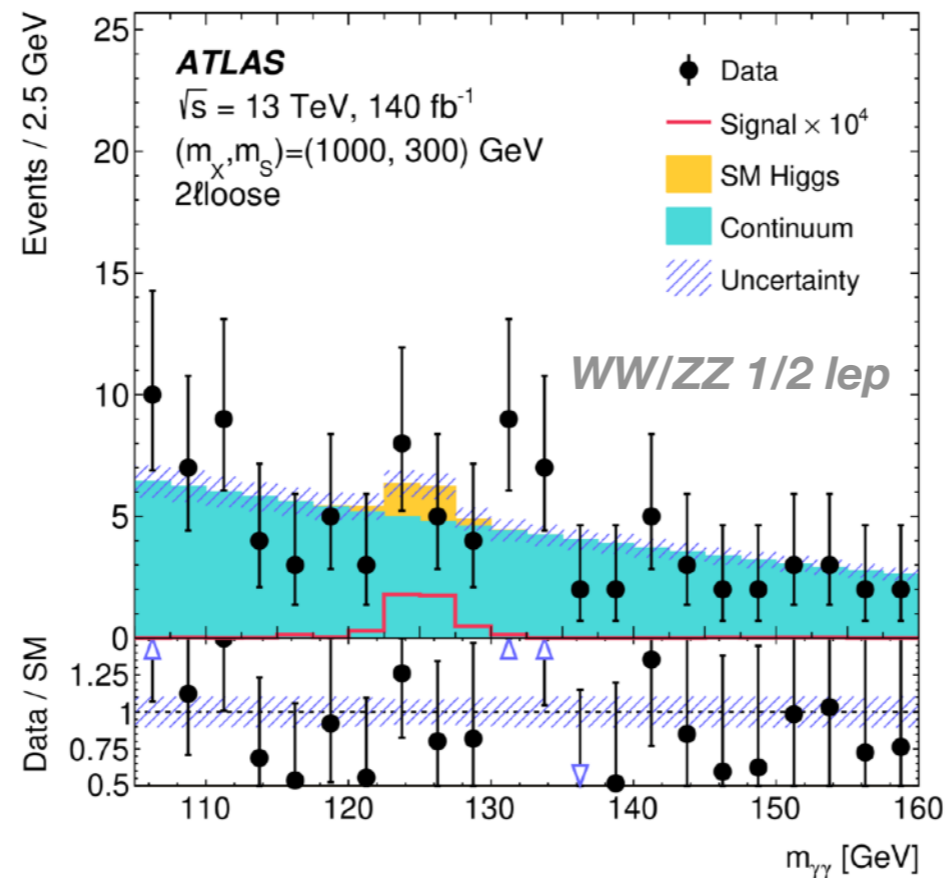


$X \rightarrow Sh \rightarrow b\bar{b}\gamma\gamma$
 $m_X < 1 \text{ TeV}, m_S < 500 \text{ GeV}$



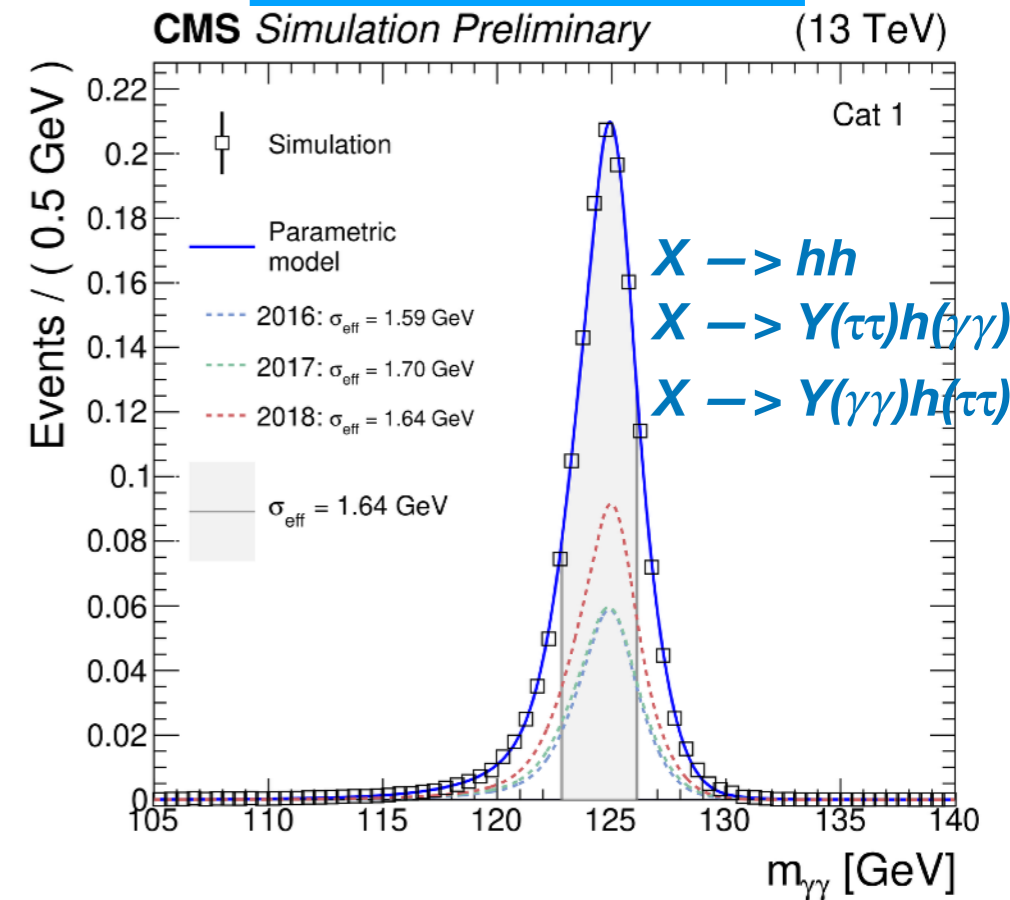
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$X \rightarrow Sh \rightarrow VV\gamma\gamma$
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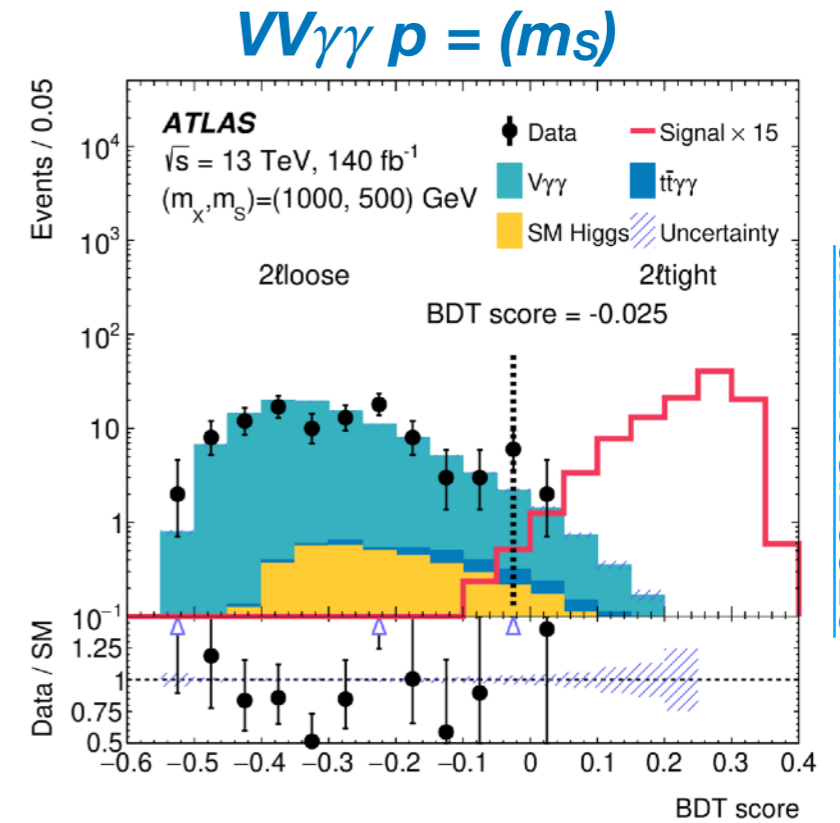
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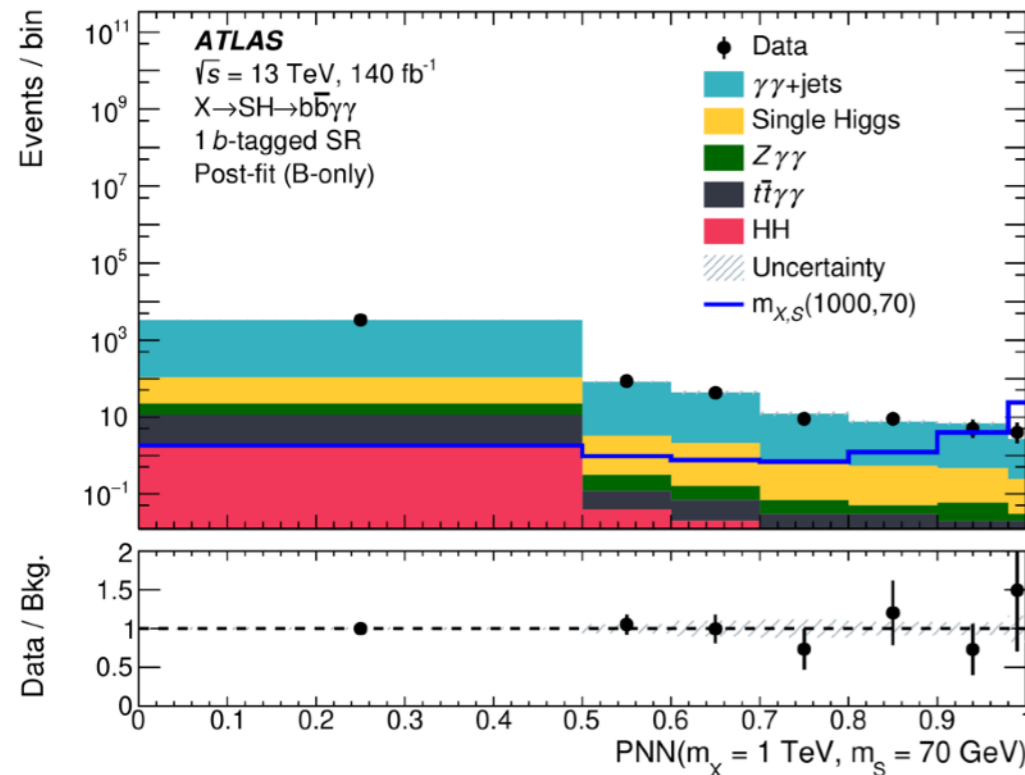
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How to enhance the signal

- All these searches rely on ML approaches to enhance the sensitivity to the signal
 - ▶ signal peaking in 2 dimensions
 - ▶ kinematic variables as input features
- Optimise the discriminant
 - ▶ p-DNN (fit) approach for $bb\gamma\gamma$
 - ▶ p-DNN for $\gamma\gamma\tau\tau$, used to define categories
 - ▶ p-BDT for $VV\gamma\gamma$ due to tighter phase space



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$bb\gamma\gamma$:

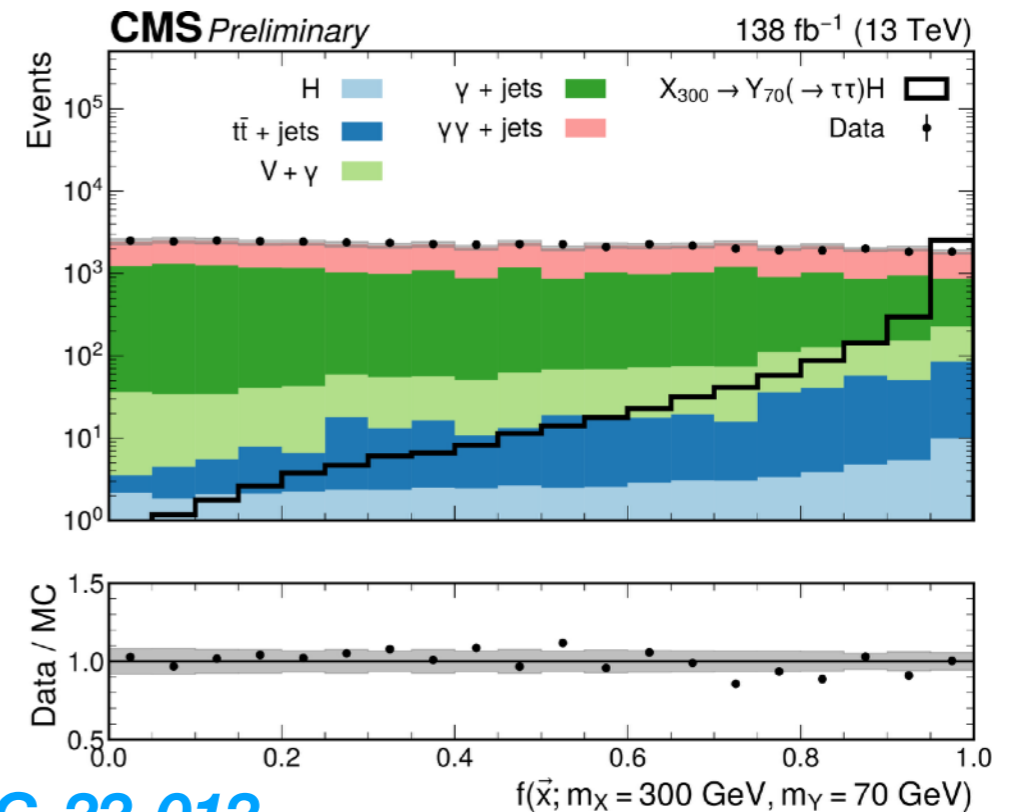
$p = (m_X, m_S)$ 2b SR
 $p = (m_X)$ 1b SR

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$\gamma\gamma\tau\tau$:

$p = (m_X, m_S)$

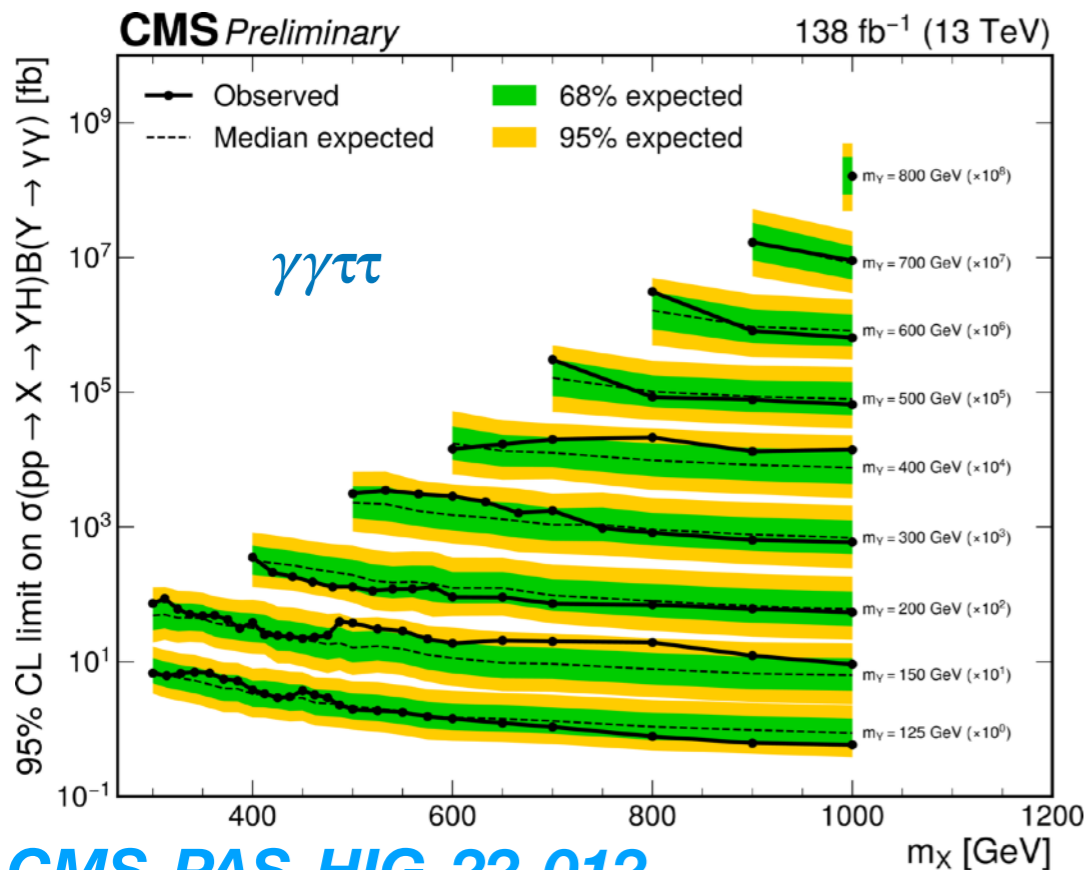
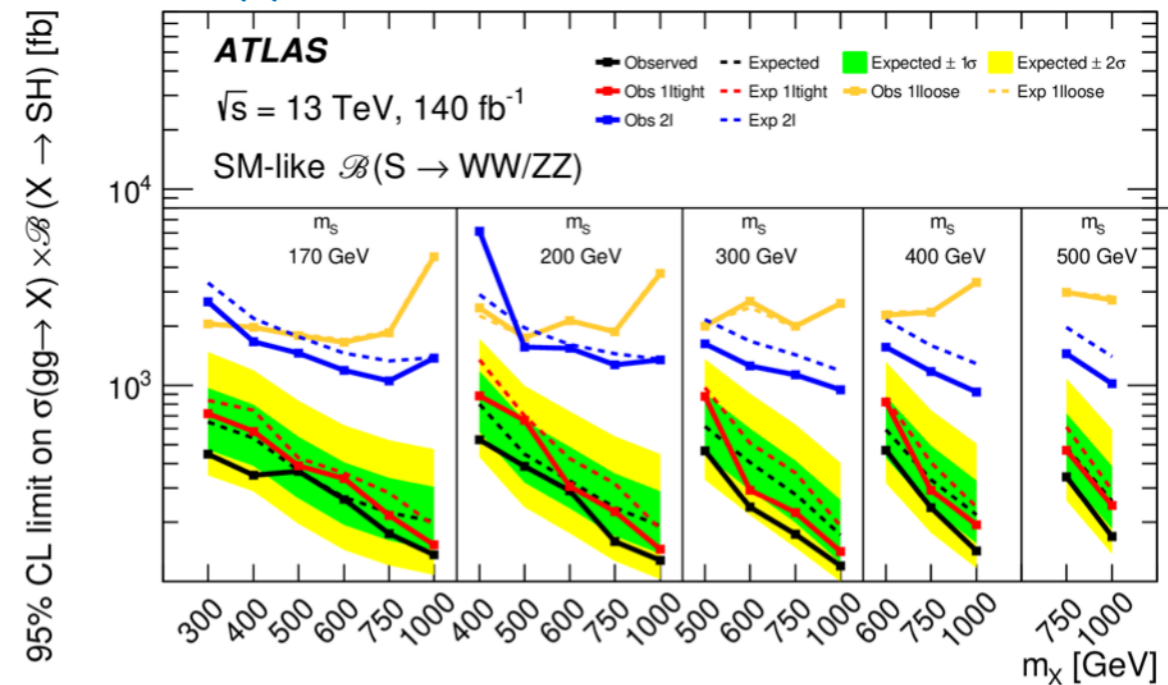
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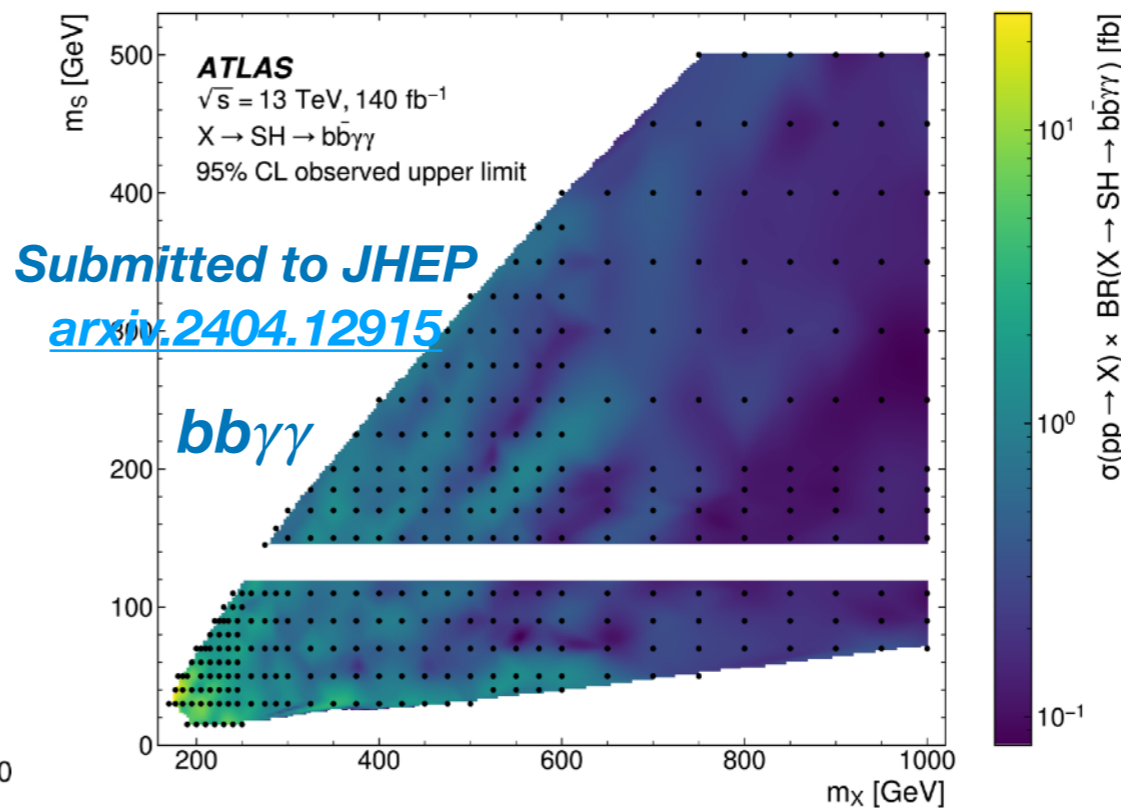
Limits in 2D space

- Combined fit to discriminating variables
 - ▶ $m_{\gamma\gamma}$ has better experimental resolution
 - ▶ pDNN for the $bb\gamma\gamma$
- Most significant excesses
 - ▶ $S(\gamma\gamma)h(\tau\tau)$ 3.4σ local @ (525, 115) GeV
 - ▶ $S(bb)h(\gamma\gamma)$ 3.5σ local @ (575, 200) GeV

$VW\gamma\gamma$: Limits comparable with $VW\tau\tau$



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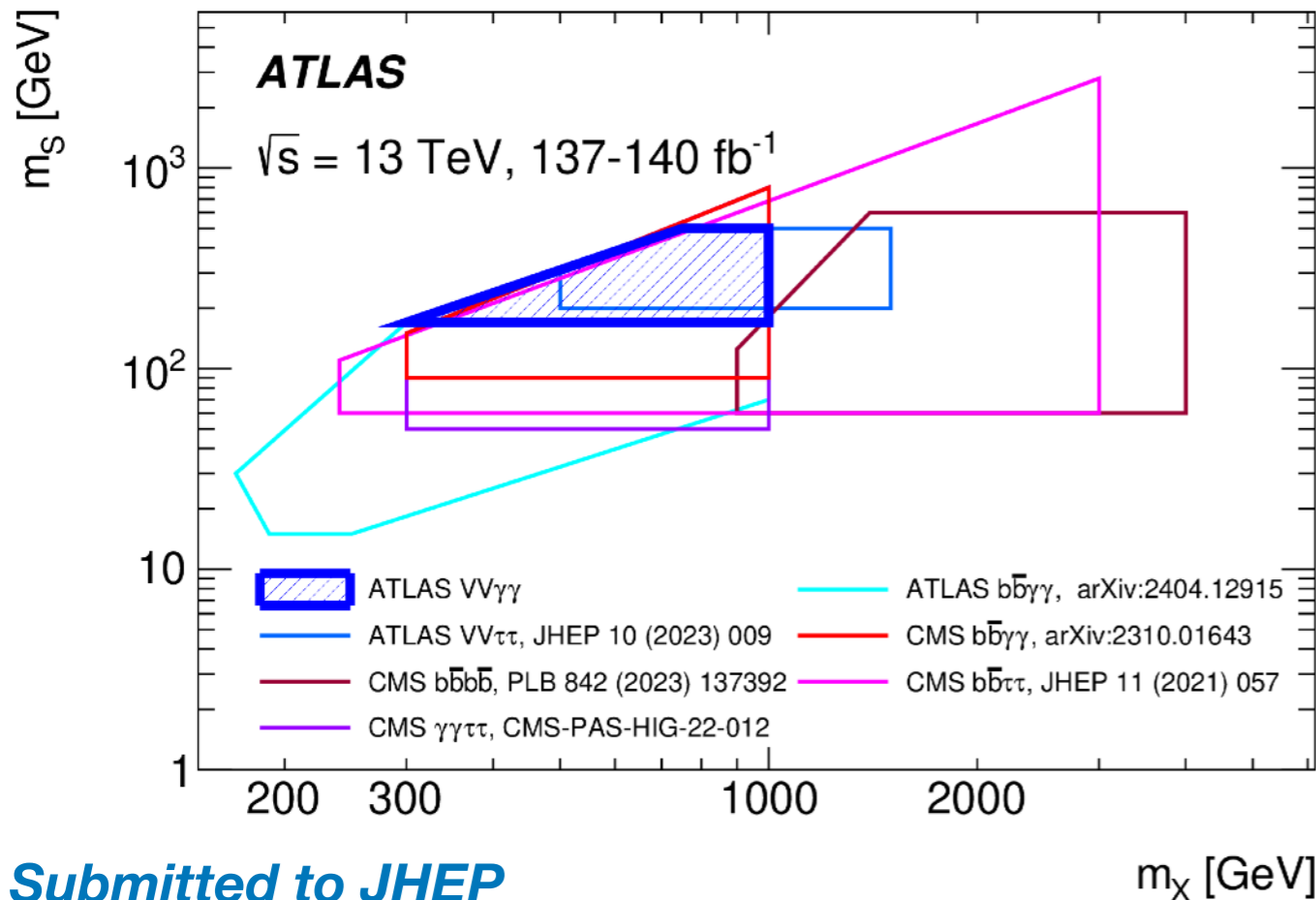


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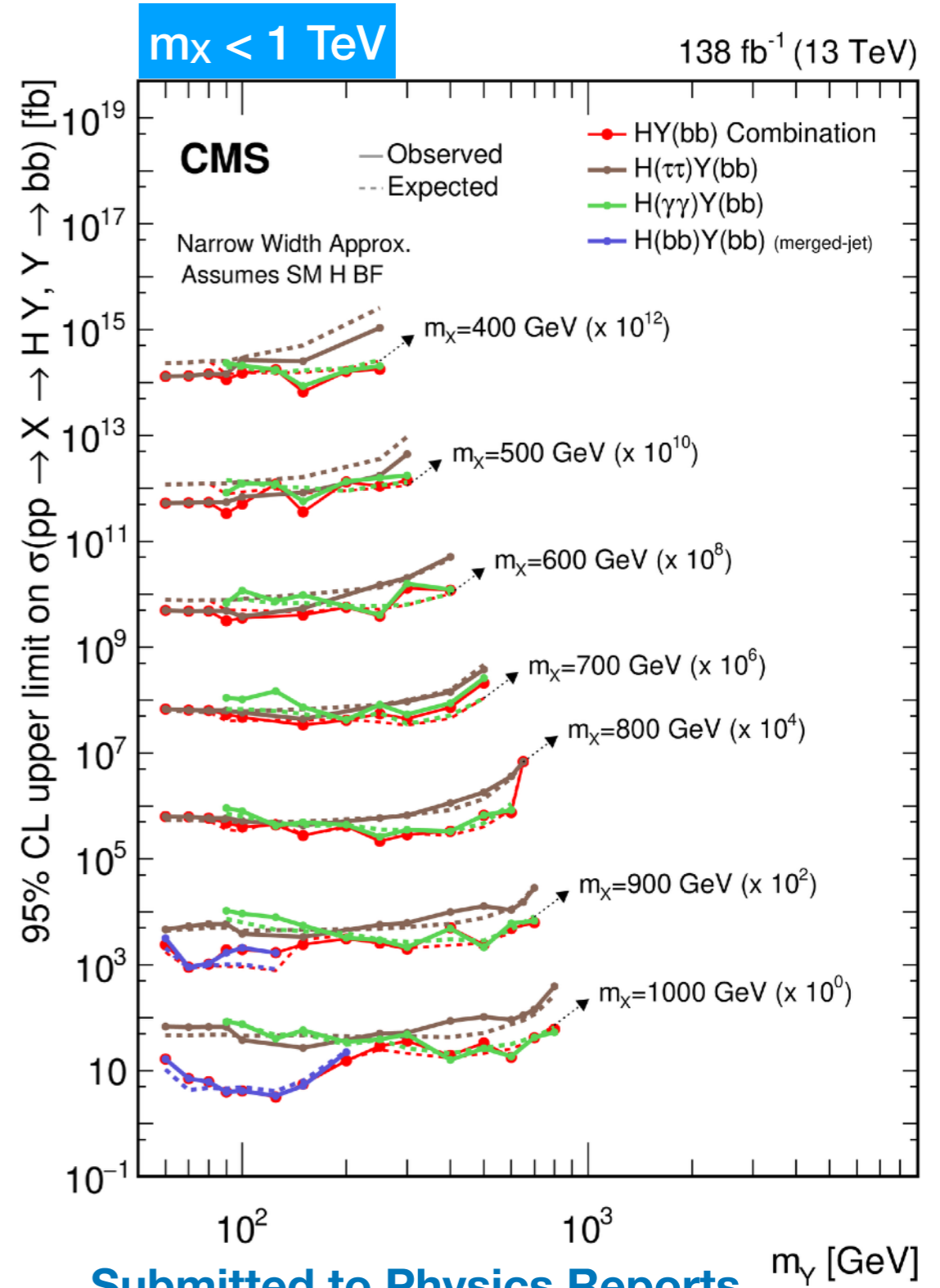
Does not confirm 3.8 (2.8) excess from CMS @ (650, 90) GeV in the same channel

Putting all of them together...

- Cover as much as possible of the parameters space to probe Extended Higgs Sector models
 - complementary ranges
 - benefit in combination of competitive channels



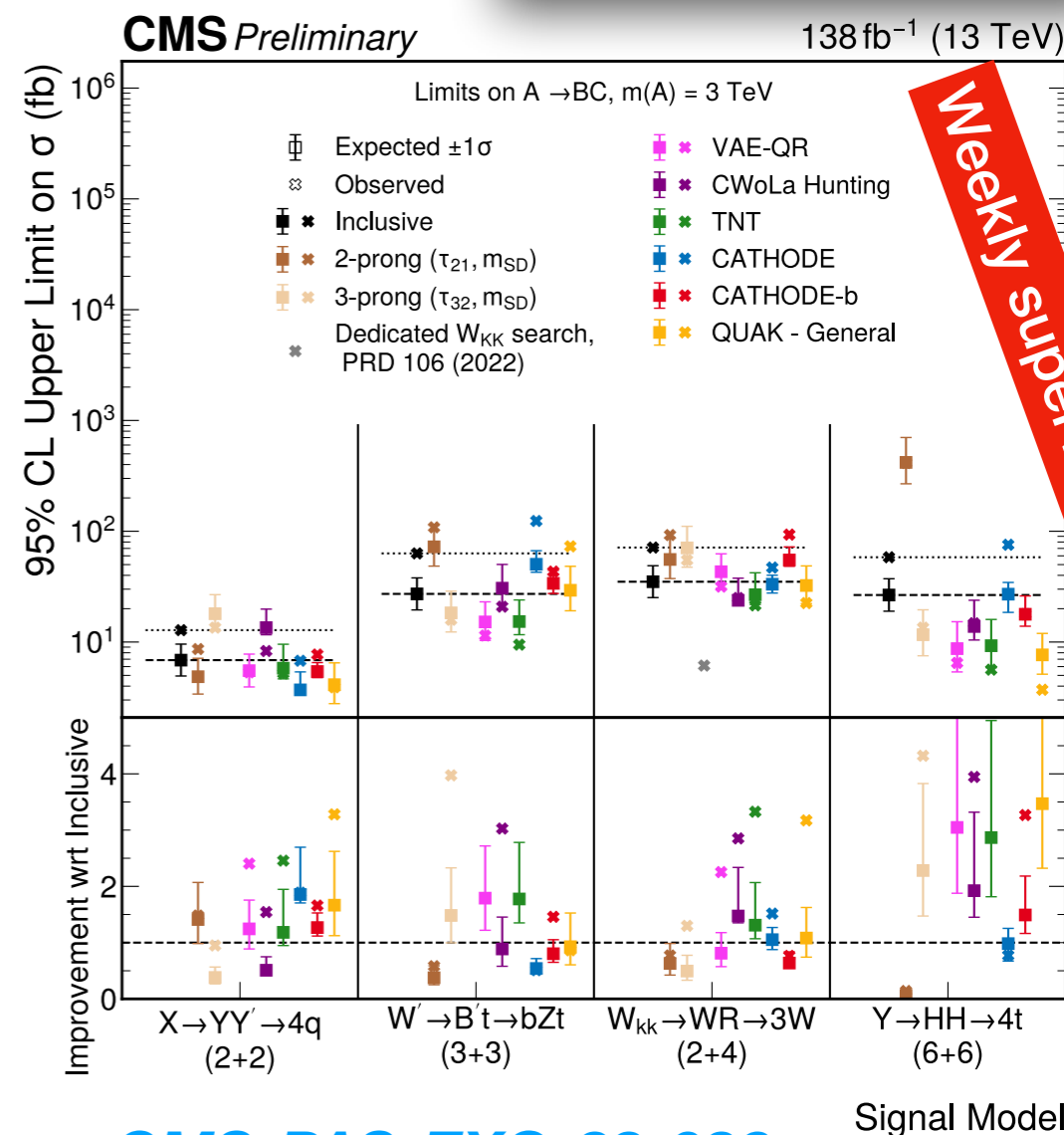
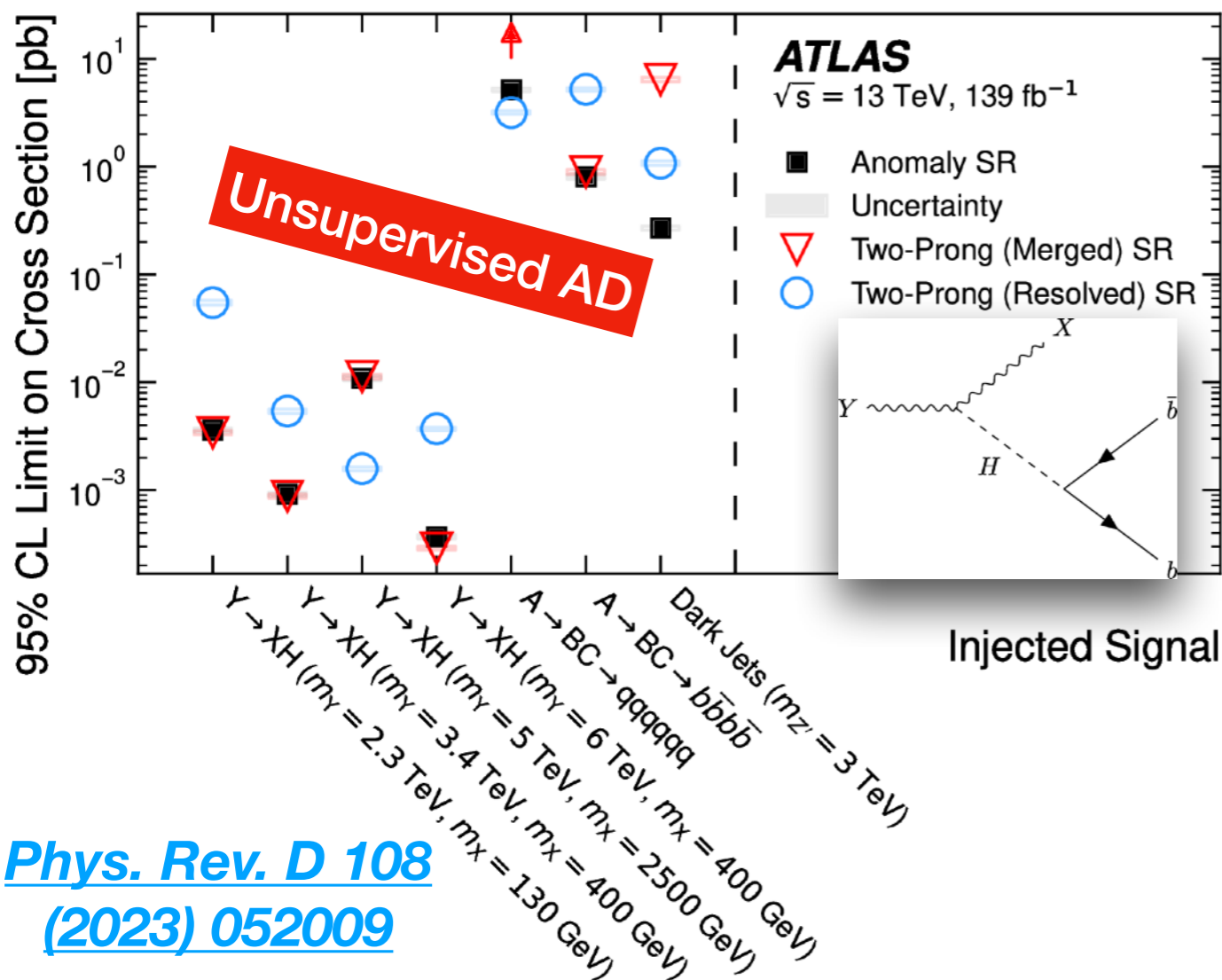
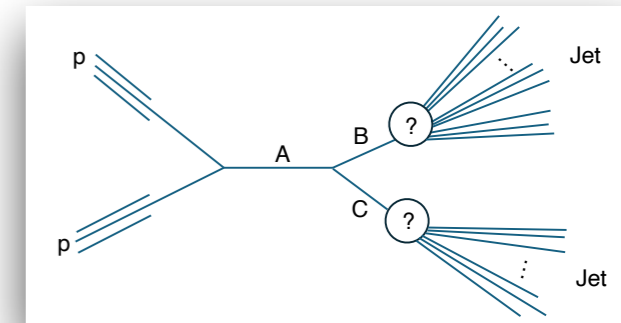
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Multi-bosons searches w/o bosons

- Model independent searches in loose phase spaces
 - ▶ cover wide and general phase spaces (e.g. 2 high- p_T jets) with minimal theoretical assumptions
- Rely on powerful ML techniques to spot “Anomalies” in the data
 - ▶ **event level**: CWoLa & Co family, ATLAS [[Phys. Rev. Lett. 125 \(2020\) 131801](#)] and CMS
 - ▶ **jet level**: $Y \rightarrow Xh(bb)$ ATLAS



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Conclusions

- **Multiboson searches in ATLAS & CMS with Run-2 data**

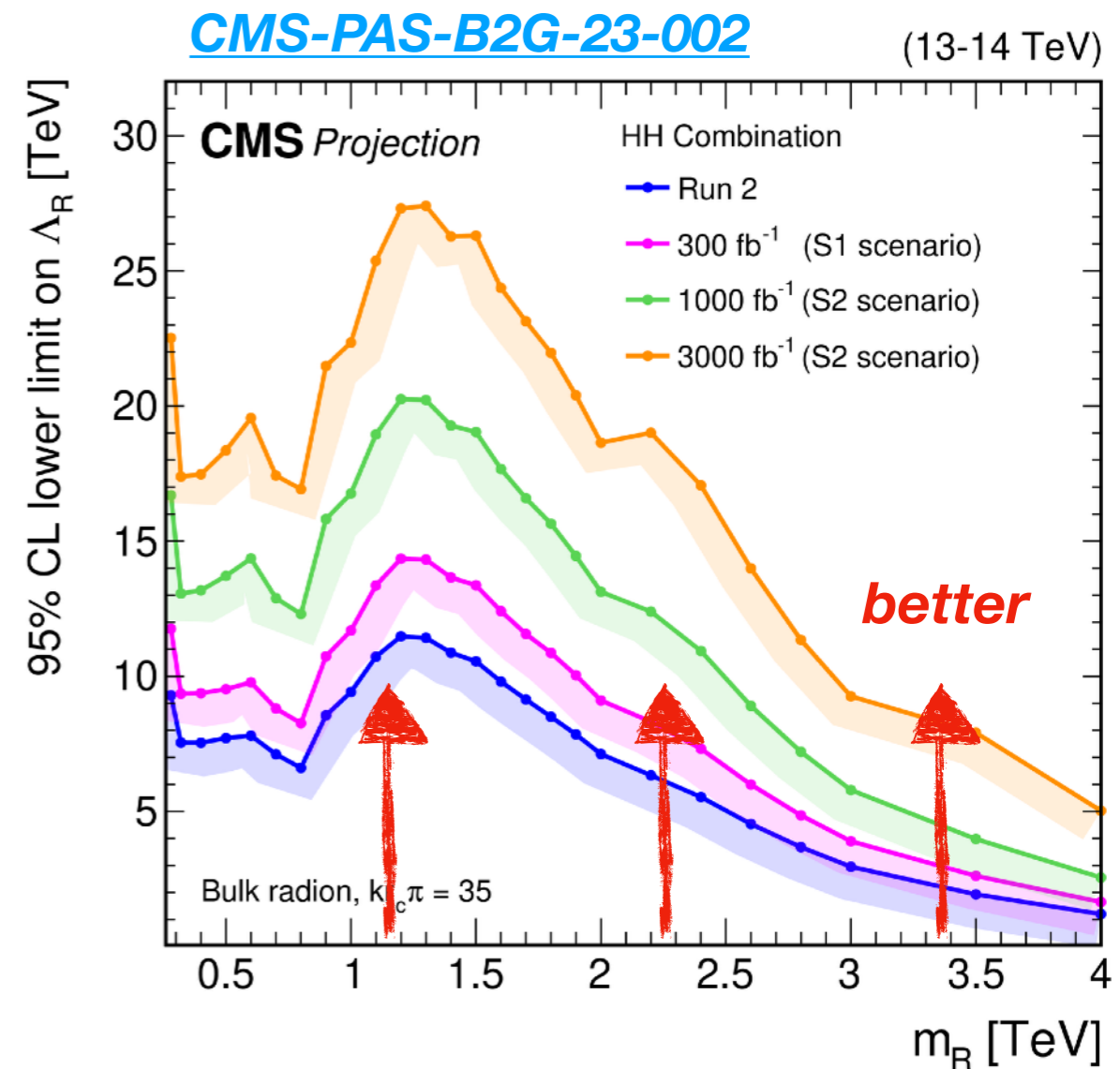
- ▶ exploiting combinations of leading channels
- ▶ exploring new signatures and channels

- **The nature seems behaving as SM predictions**

- ▶ only slight ($< \sim 3\sigma$) excesses in some channels
- ▶ keep improving analyses techniques and invest on new ideas to better probe our data

- **Looking forward for new exciting results with Run-3 data**

- ▶ and start keeping an eye on HL-LHC potentiality!!

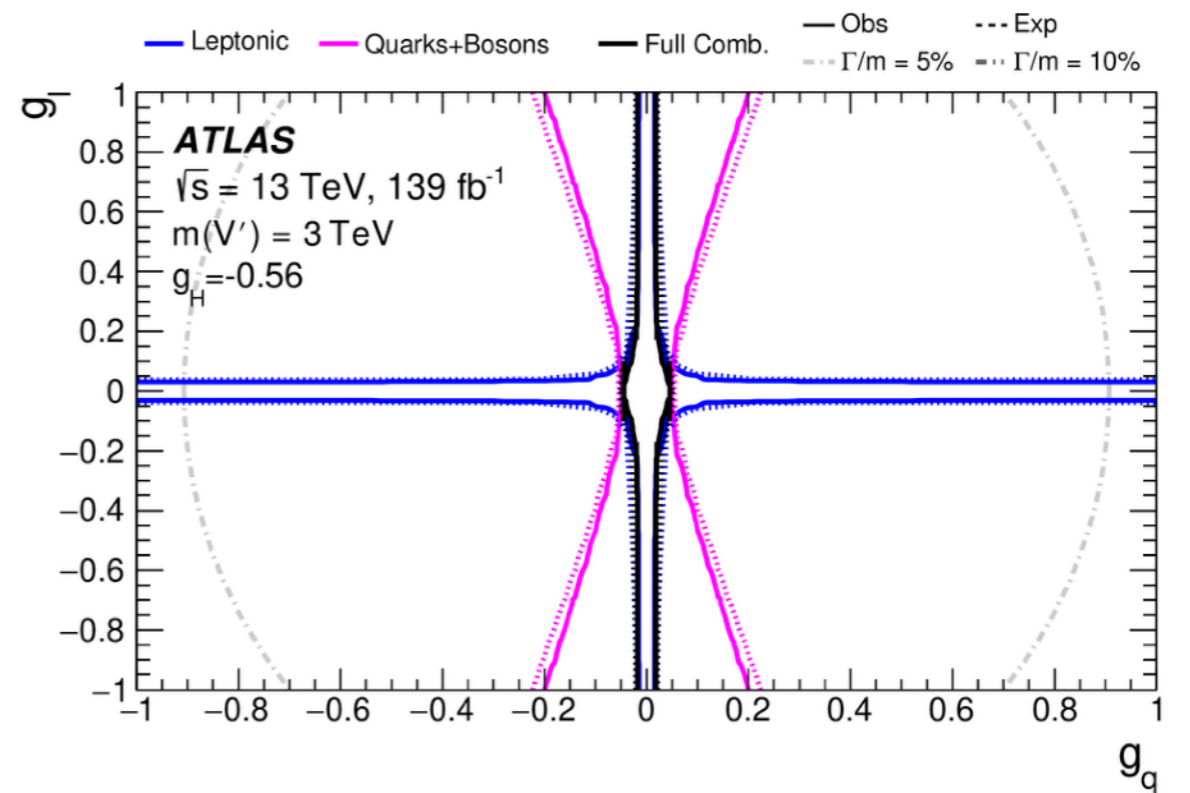
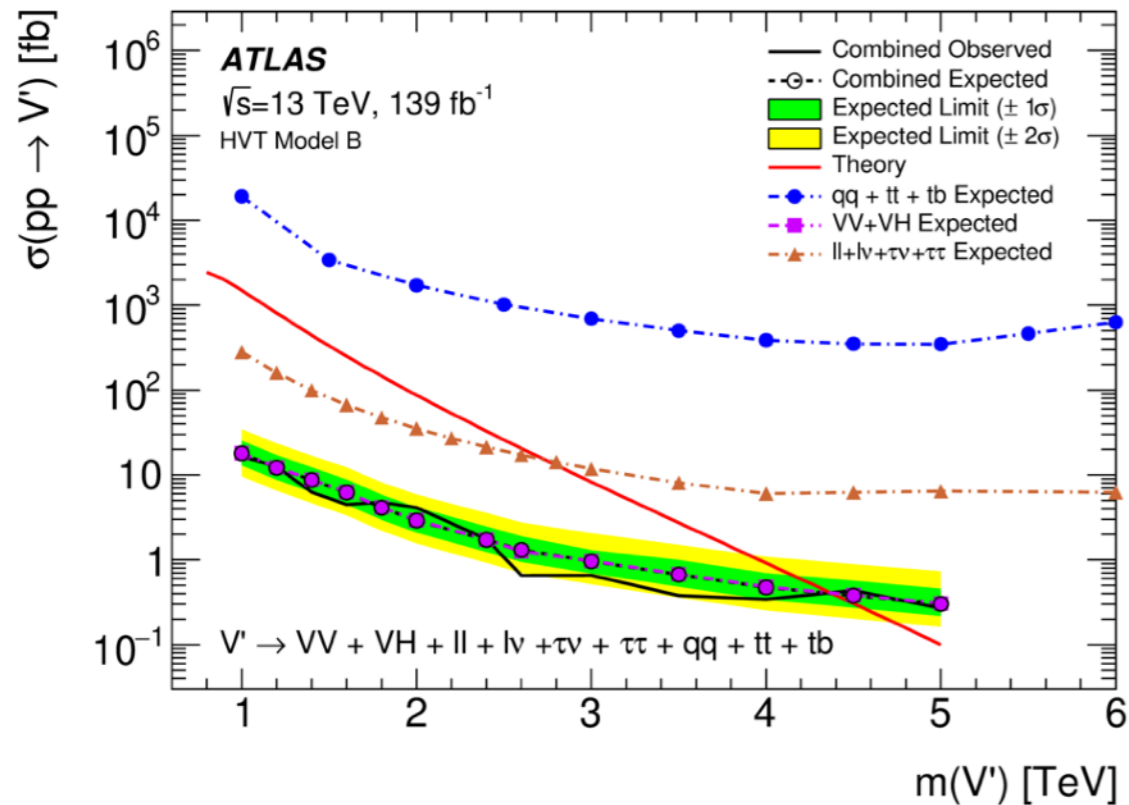
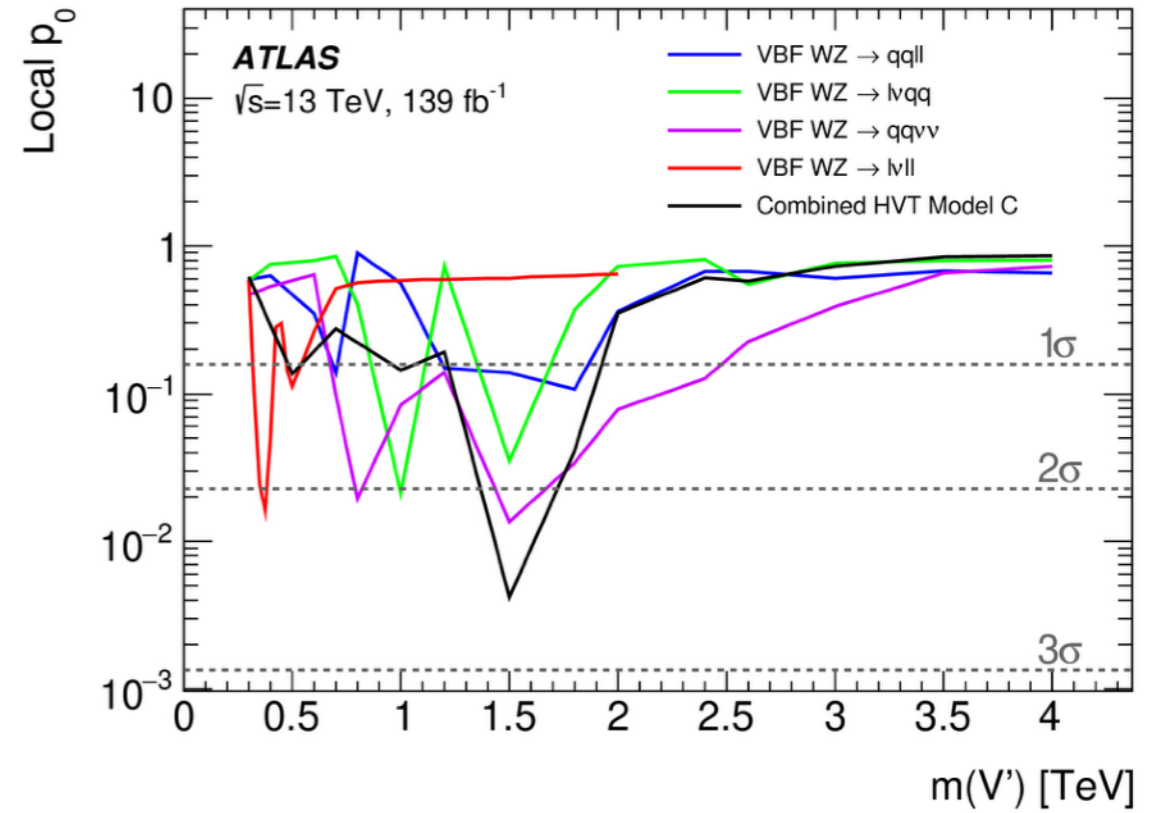
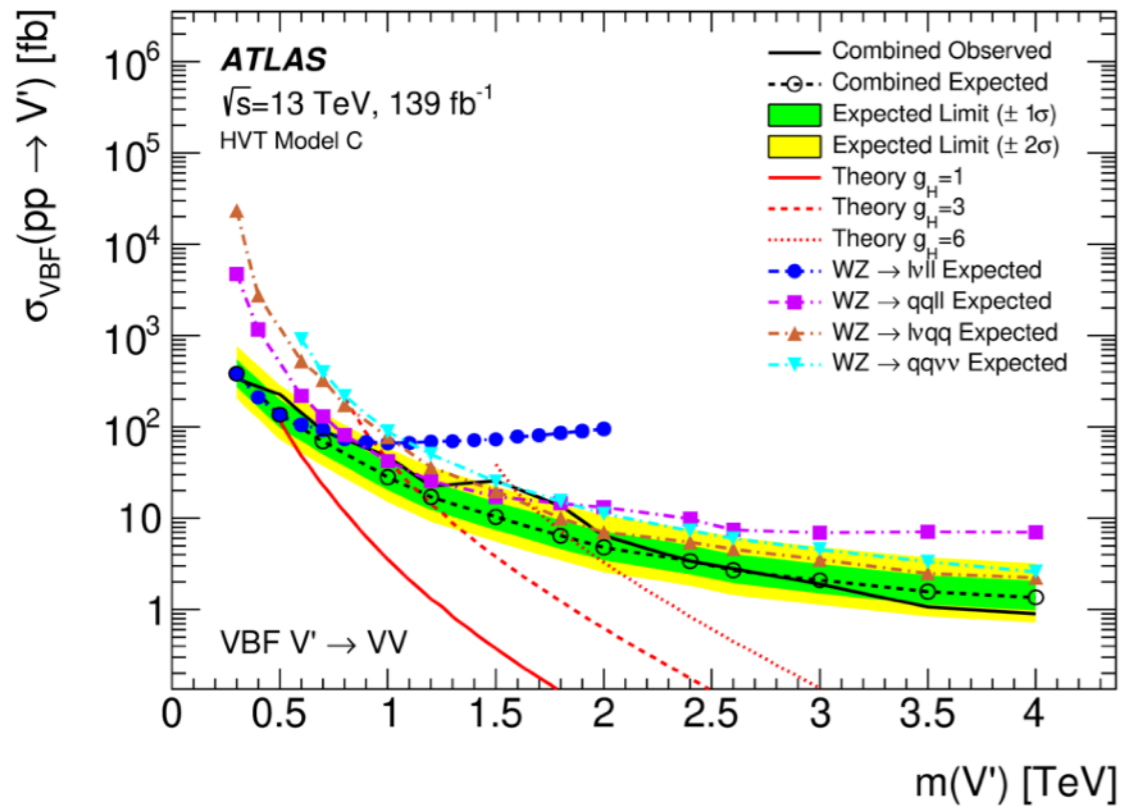


HL projections for exclusion on the Radion Λ_R scale via hh combination

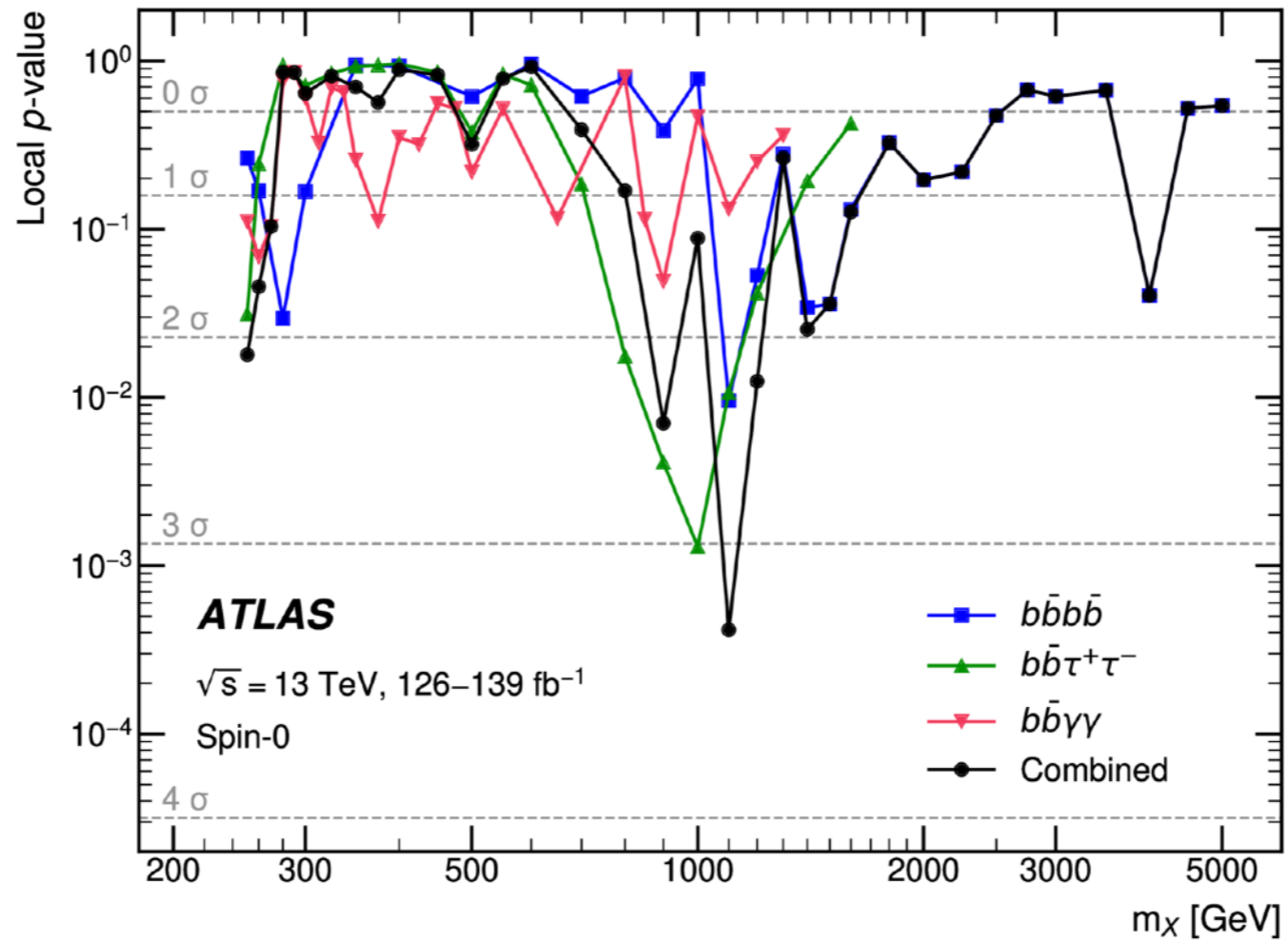


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Heavy resonance combo



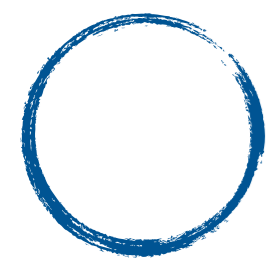
hh combo





Radion model benchmarks

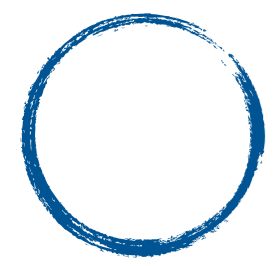
Three types of resonances corresponding to different spins are considered in the search. The first one is a scalar neutral radion, introduced in some bulk RS models to stabilise the radius of the compactified extra dimension r_c [17, 18]. The coupling of the RS radion field to SM fields is inversely proportional to $\Lambda_R = e^{-k\pi r_c} \sqrt{6M_5^3/k}$ [35–37], where M_5 is the five-dimensional Planck mass, and k is the curvature factor. The RS radion events were simulated with $k\pi r_c = 35$ and $\Lambda_R = 3$ TeV [36]. The RS radion couples to SM fermions with a strength proportional to the fermion mass and to SM vector bosons with a strength proportional to the square of the boson mass, similarly to a heavy Higgs boson. However, the RS radion has a much narrower width due to its overall weaker couplings to SM particles. For example, the intrinsic width of a 3 TeV RS radion is approximately 3% of its mass, assuming $\Lambda_R = 3$ TeV. RS radions can be produced through both the ggF and VBF processes at the LHC as shown in Figure 1.



HVT model benchmarks

The second type considered comprises two heavy vector bosons described in the HVT framework [19]: an electrically charged W' boson and an electrically neutral Z' boson produced through the DY and VBF processes. The new heavy vectors couple to the Higgs and the SM gauge bosons via a combination of parameters $g_V c_H$ and to the fermions via the combination $g^2/g_V c_F$. The parameter g_V represents the typical strength of the vector boson interaction, while the parameters c_H and c_F are expected to be of the order of unity in most models. Benchmark Model A [19] ($g_V = 1$) is representative of a model of weakly coupled vector resonances in an extension of the SM gauge group where the HVT bosons have comparable decay branching ratios into SM fermions and vector bosons. Model B [19] with $g_V = 3$, is representative

of a composite model scenario where the HVT boson couplings to fermions are suppressed. In *Model C*, $g_V = c_H = 1$ and the HVT boson coupling to fermions was set to zero, so that only VBF production is possible. The $W' \rightarrow WZ$ and $Z' \rightarrow WW$ decays were considered in this search.



HVT model benchmarks

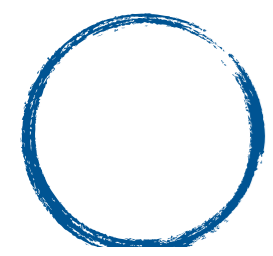
For the $q\bar{q}$ processes, the two scenarios emphasize the relative strengths of the g_H and g_f couplings. The first scenario, referred to as model A, reproduces the phenomenology of weakly coupled models based on an extended gauge symmetry [36]. In this case, the couplings are $g_H = -0.56$ and $g_f = -0.55$, with the universal fermion coupling $g_f = g_q = g_\ell$. The second $q\bar{q}$ scenario, referred to as model B, implements a strongly coupled scenario as in composite Higgs models [37] with $g_H = -2.9$ and $g_f = 0.14$.² In model B, the V' resonances are broader than in the weakly coupled scenario, model A, but remain narrow relative to the experimental resolution. The relative width of the V' resonances, Γ/m , is below 5% over much of the parameter space explored.

The VBF production scenario is referred to as model C. In this case, the V' resonance's couplings are set to $g_H = 1$ and $g_f = 0$. Therefore, Model C is in a phase-space domain separate from that of model A or B, and assumes no $q\bar{q}$ production.



Gravitons model benchmark

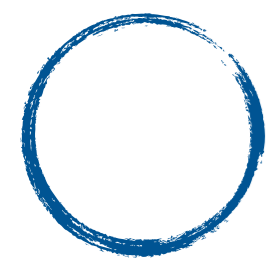
The third benchmark resonance searched for is a spin-2 bulk RS graviton G_{KK} which appears as the first KK excitation of the gravitational field in a bulk RS graviton model [7, 20, 21]. The G_{KK} couplings to light fermions are suppressed and therefore decays into final states involving heavy quarks, Higgs or vector bosons are favoured. The strength of the coupling depends on $k/\overline{M}_{\text{Pl}}$, where k corresponds to the curvature of the warped extra dimension and \overline{M}_{Pl} is the effective four-dimensional Planck scale. The value of $k/\overline{M}_{\text{Pl}}$ is typically of $\mathcal{O}(1)$, and this and the G_{KK} mass are the only two free parameters. The G_{KK} has a mass-dependent width, which is 3.7% of its mass at 500 GeV and 6.4% at 5 TeV for $k/\overline{M}_{\text{Pl}} = 1$. It can be produced through the ggF and VBF processes and decays into WW and ZZ with sizeable branching ratios. The G_{KK} samples were generated with $k/\overline{M}_{\text{Pl}} = 1$.



Extended Warped Extra dimension

Previous searches for triboson and trigluon final states resulting from a two-step cascade decay of a heavy resonance have been performed by the CMS experiment [11–14]. Despite the constraints imposed, a large fraction of the theoretical parameter space remains unexplored. In this paper, we consider the specific EWED model scenario in which only the quantum chromodynamic (QCD) gauge field can propagate into the extended bulk, giving rise to a Kaluza–Klein (KK) gluon g_{KK} . The g_{KK} can decay in a cascade through the lightest scalar R of the theory. In a certain parameter space of the model, the dominant decay mode is $g_{\text{KK}} \rightarrow gR \rightarrow gWW$, which is the focus of this analysis.

In this paper, we probe this scenario performing a search for new physics in the trijet final state. Two of the jets, both arising from the R decay, are identified as originating from Lorentz-boosted hadronic W boson decays using jet substructure techniques. No particular constraints are imposed on the third jet. Figure 1 displays a schematic diagram of the signal process including the cascade decay and the resulting final state probed in this paper. The overall g_{KK} mass range probed is 1.25–4.5 TeV. Within this range, the phase space with a ratio of R and g_{KK} masses of $0.06 \leq m_R/m_{g_{\text{KK}}} \leq 0.9$ is considered. However, for $m_R/m_{g_{\text{KK}}} < 0.2$ and $m_R/m_{g_{\text{KK}}} > 0.8$ the analysis sensitivity is reduced because a significant number of events result in a dijet final state that is not reconstructed. In the former case, the two W bosons are collimated, while in the latter case, the final-state gluon carries relatively little energy. The analysis is based on proton-proton (pp) collision data collected by the CMS experiment during 2016–2018 at a center-of-mass energy of $\sqrt{s} = 13$ TeV, corresponding to an integrated luminosity of 138 fb^{-1} .



2HDM model

Models with extended Higgs sectors often contain an additional Higgs doublet, resulting in the presence of two CP-even (h and H) and one CP-odd (A) neutral Higgs bosons, as well as two charged Higgs bosons (H^\pm). The phenomenology of these models is generically described by two-Higgs-doublet-models (2HDM) [11, 12], which are defined by the following parameters when assuming CP conservation: the masses of the five Higgs bosons (m_h , m_H , m_A , and m_{H^\pm}); the ratio of the vacuum expectation values of the two doublets ($\tan \beta$); the mixing angle between the two CP-even Higgs bosons (α); and the soft-breaking term (m_{12}^2). Depending on the coupling of the two doublets to the right-handed quarks and the charged leptons, different types of 2HDM are possible. For example, in type-II models the down-type quarks together with the leptons and the up-type quarks couple to two different Higgs doublets. When $\cos(\beta - \alpha) \rightarrow 0$, referred to as the “alignment limit”, the properties of the h boson are expected to be identical to those of a SM Higgs boson with the same mass. In this note, h is identified with the observed Higgs boson with a mass of approximately 125 GeV.

GM model

- The GM introduces two new triplets, ξ and χ
 - ▶ it ensures the custodial symmetry at the tree level if the two triplets have the same vev
- Theoretical (perturbative unitarity, vacuum stability and custodial symmetry) and experimental constraints are combined

$$\rho = \frac{m_W^2}{m_Z^2 \cos^2 \theta_W} = 1,$$

$$v_\chi = v_\xi.$$

$$s_H = \frac{2\sqrt{2}v_\chi}{\sqrt{v_\Phi^2 + 8v_\chi^2}}$$

▶ <https://arxiv.org/abs/2212.11688>

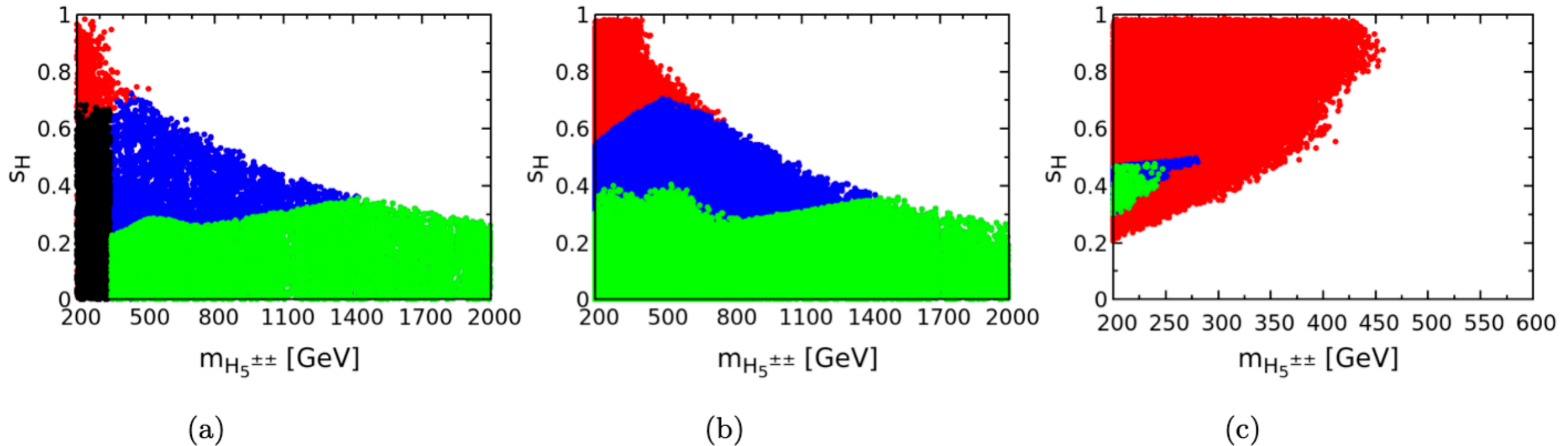


Figure 1: Constraints on the $m_{H_5^{\pm\pm}} - s_H$ plane. 1(a),(b) and (c) correspond respectively to the situations of single, double and triple channel decay of H_5^{++} . Red, black and blue regions are excluded by indirect constraints, DY search of H_5^{++} and VBF of H_5^{++} respectively. Green regions are allowed by all constraints.

GM model validity

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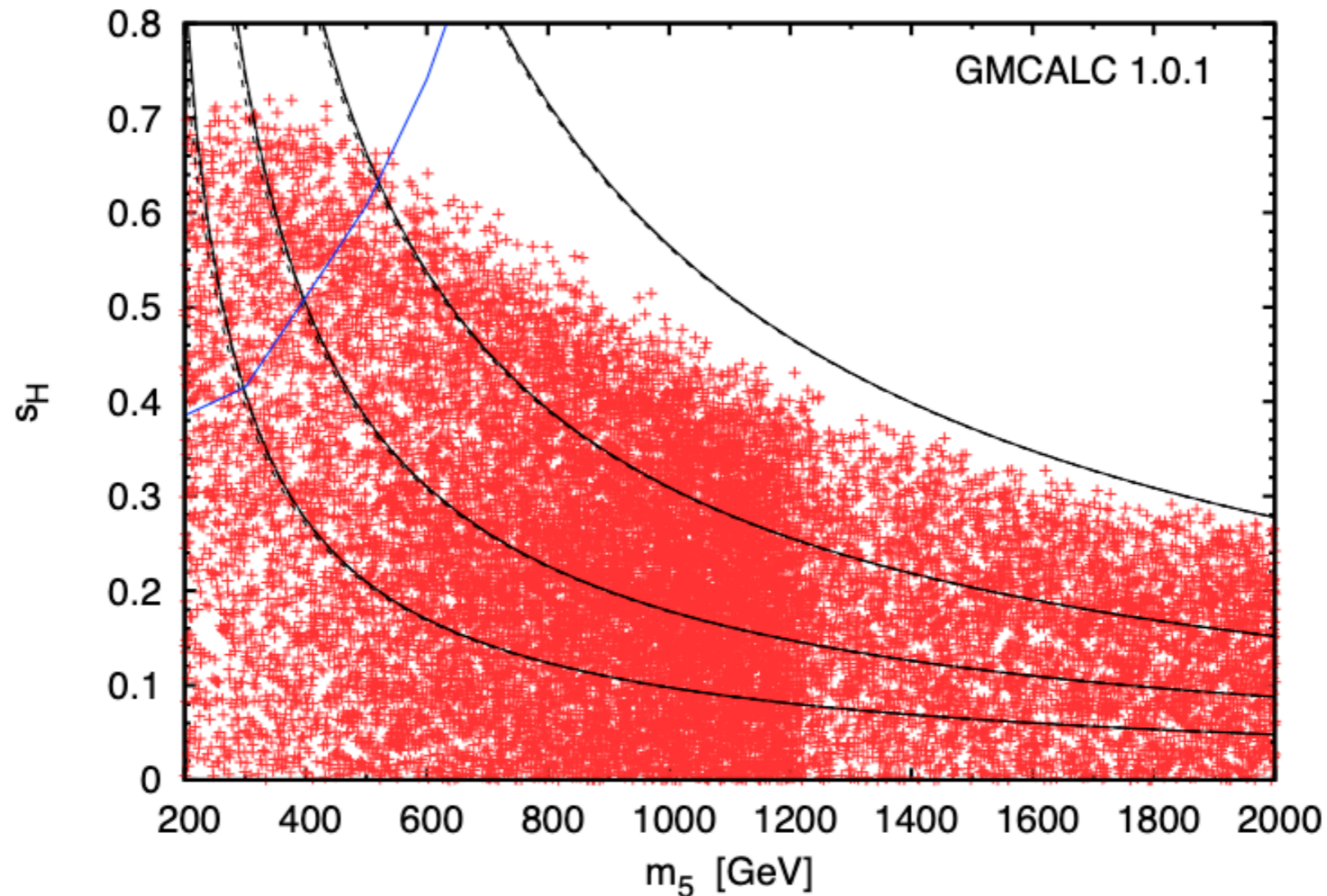
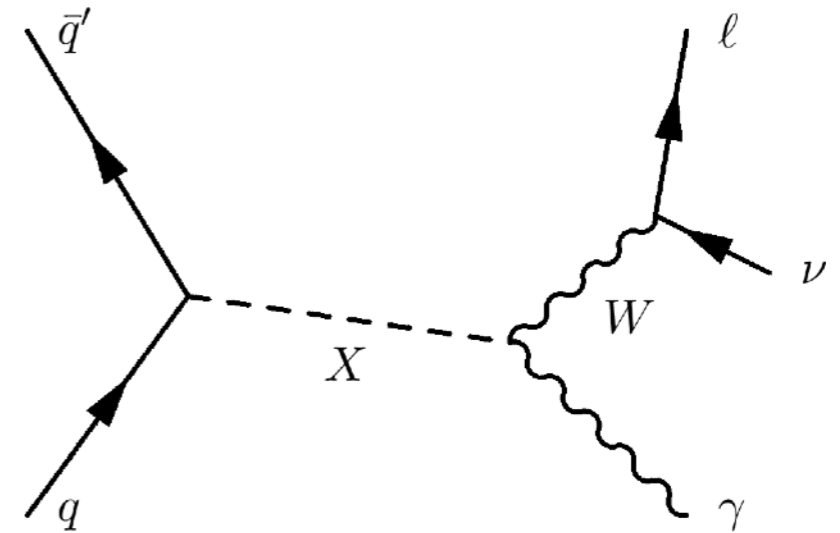


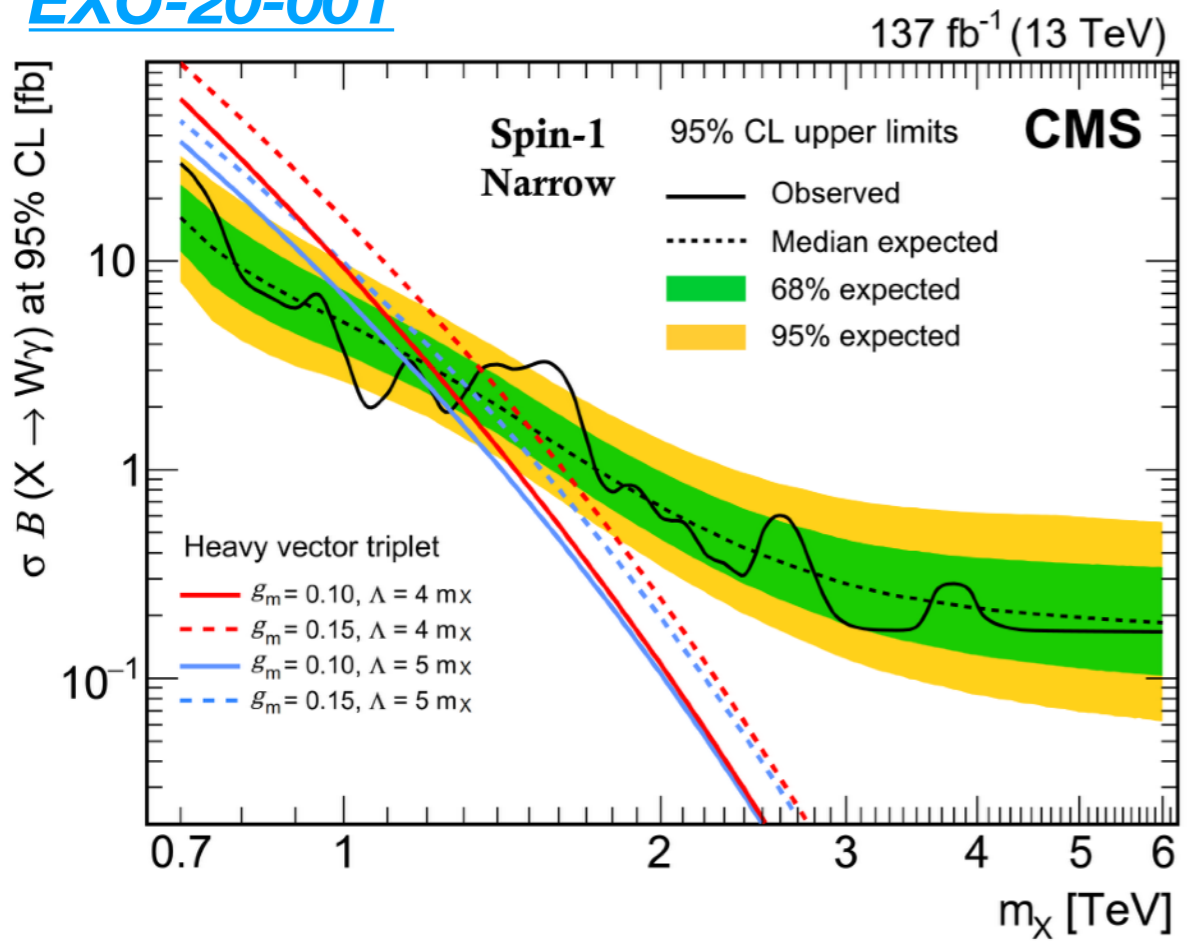
FIG. 1. Allowed ranges of m_5 and s_H after imposing theoretical and indirect experimental constraints on the GM model. The red points are a parameter scan produced using GMCALC 1.0.1 [6]. Contours of the width-to-mass ratio of H_5^0 (solid black lines), H_5^\pm (long-dashed black lines, indistinguishable from the solid lines) and $H_5^{\pm\pm}$ (short-dashed black lines), assuming that $\text{BR}(H_5 \rightarrow VV) = 1$. From top to bottom, $\Gamma(H_5)/m_5 = 0.10, 0.03, 0.01,$ and 0.003 . The recast analysis in Ref. [11], which constrains the doubly-charged scalar H_5^{++} , excludes points above the blue curve.

$V\gamma$ searches

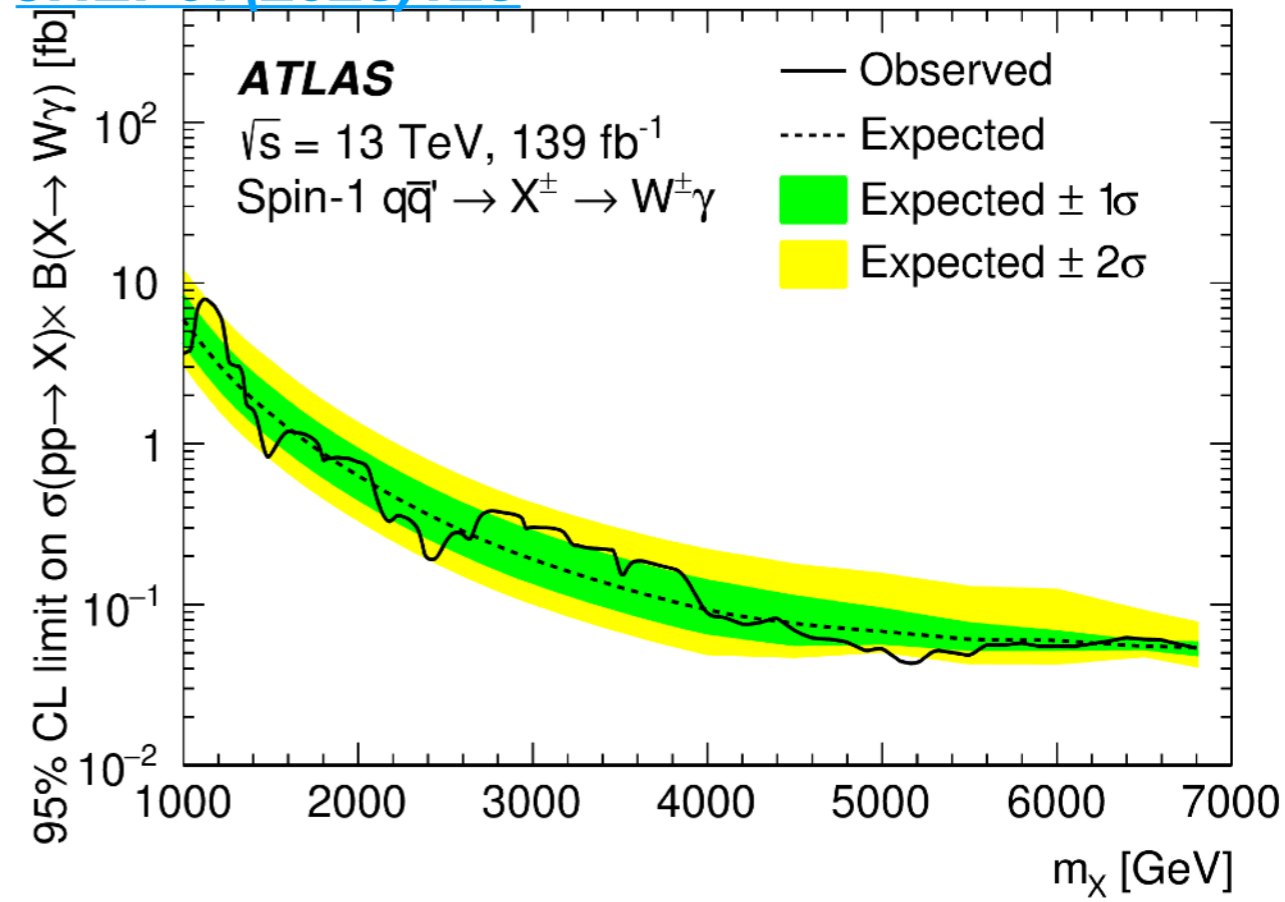
- Complementary final states with distinct signature in the detector
- Why leptonic vs hadronic final states?
 - ▶ ability to probe different mass ranges
 - ▶ slighty excess in hadronic with CMS data

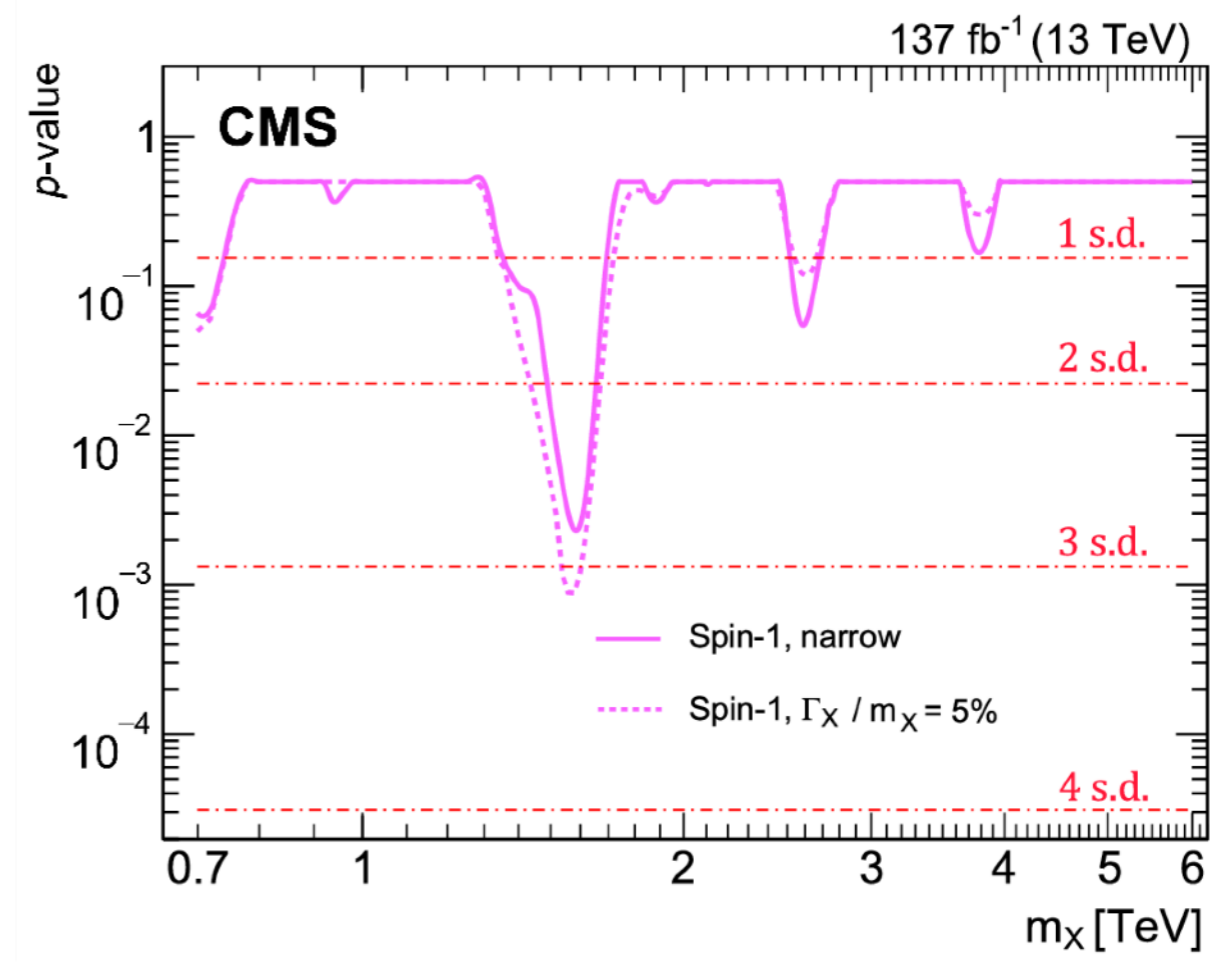
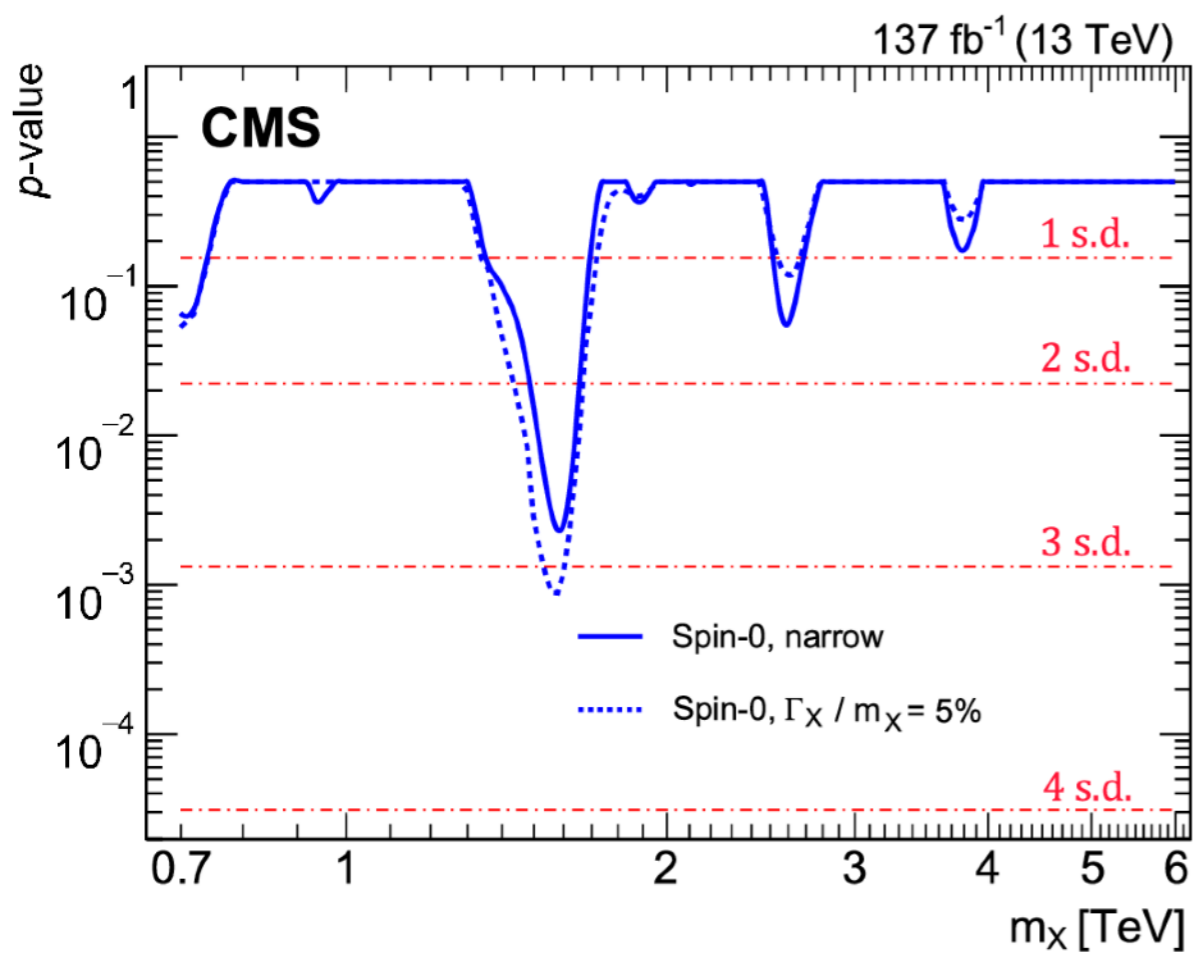
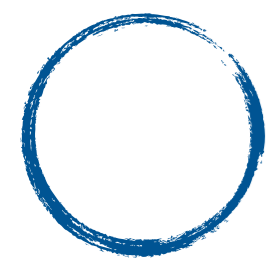


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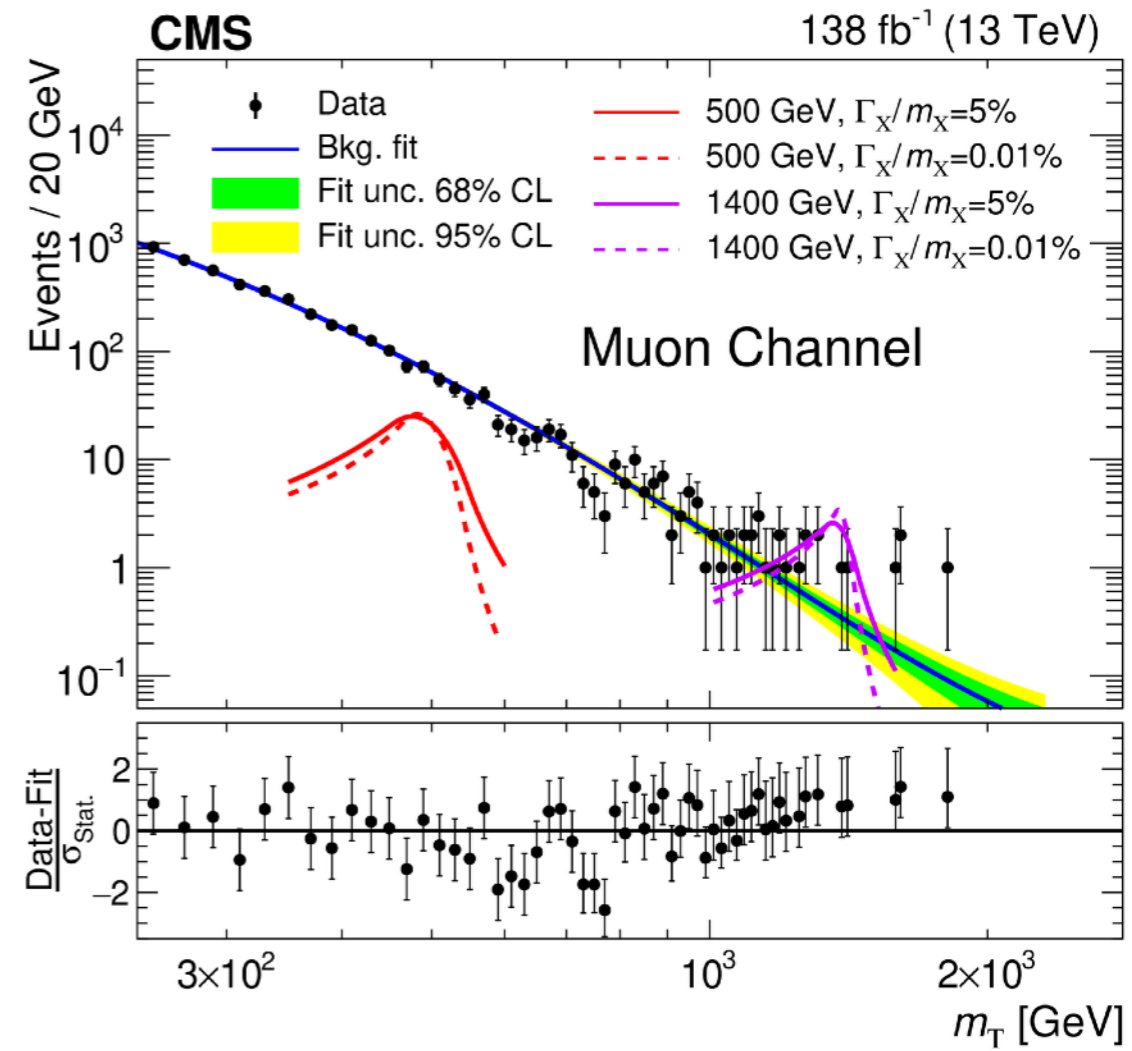
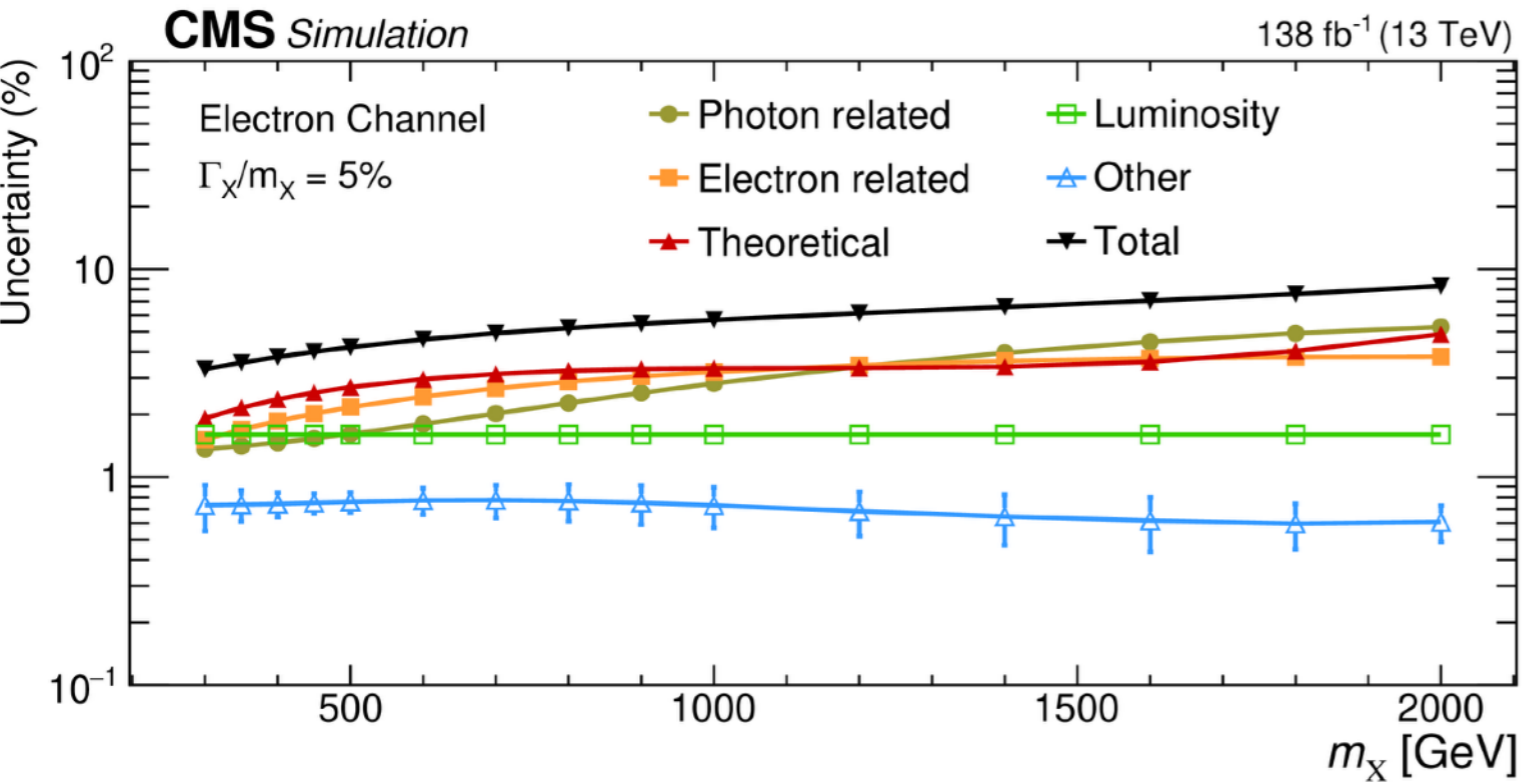


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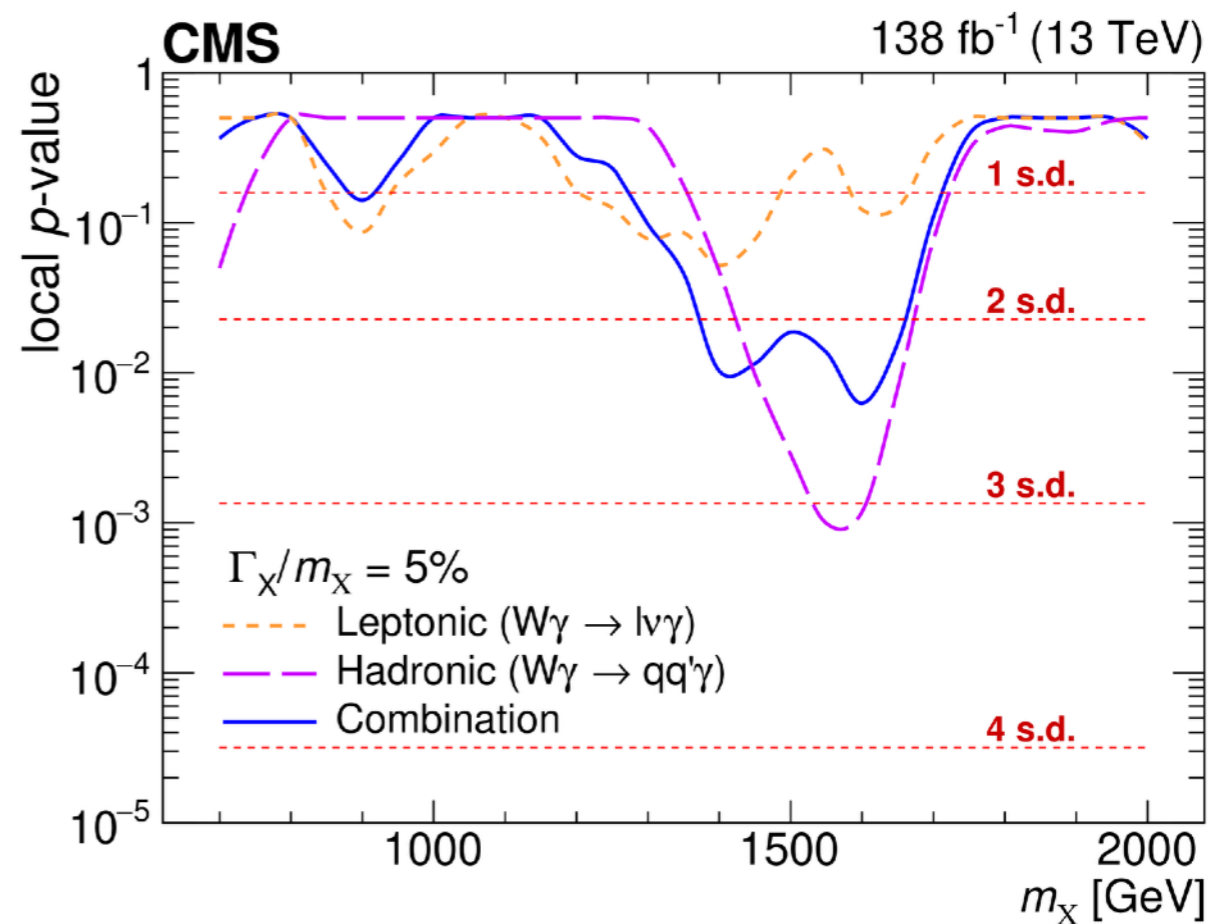
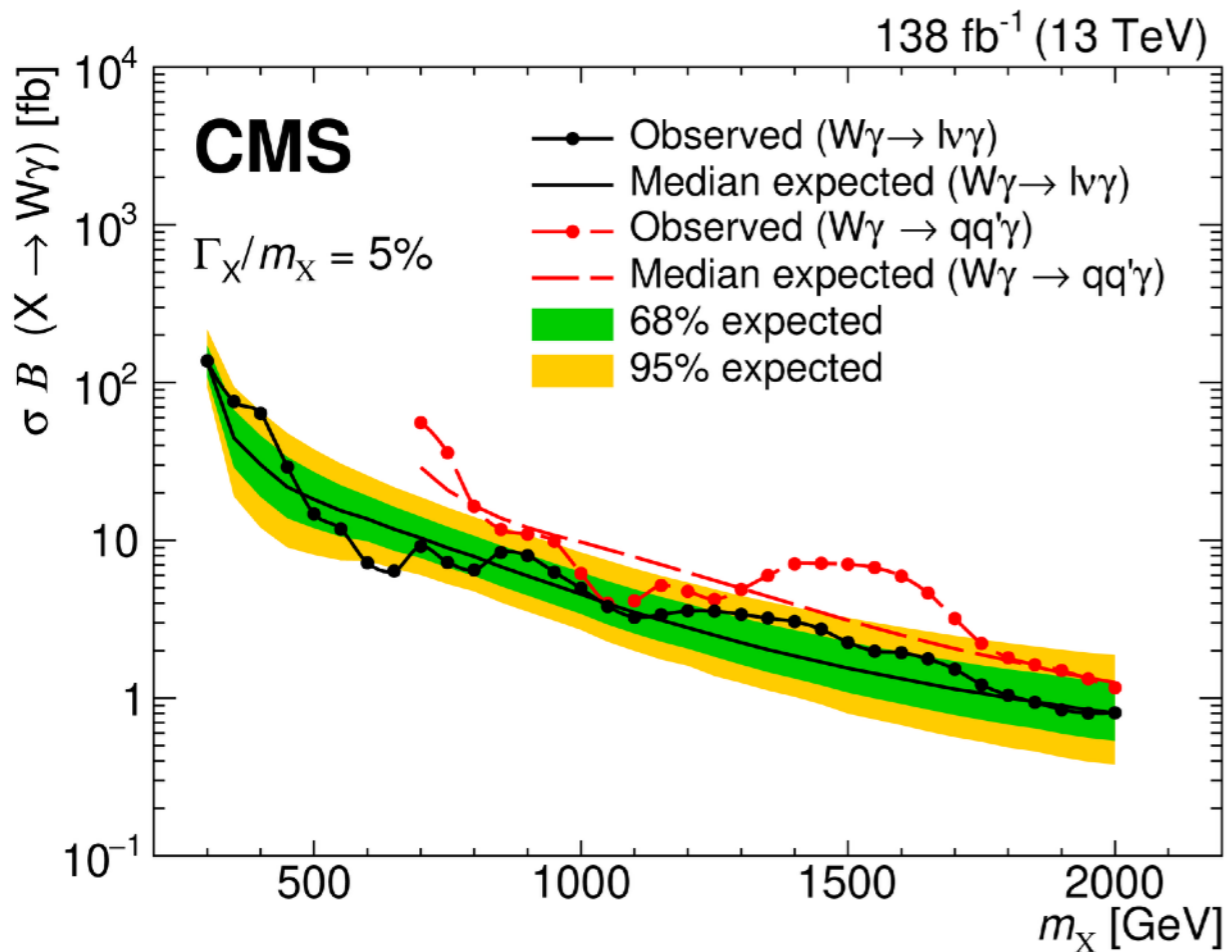




W_γ leptonic search at CMS

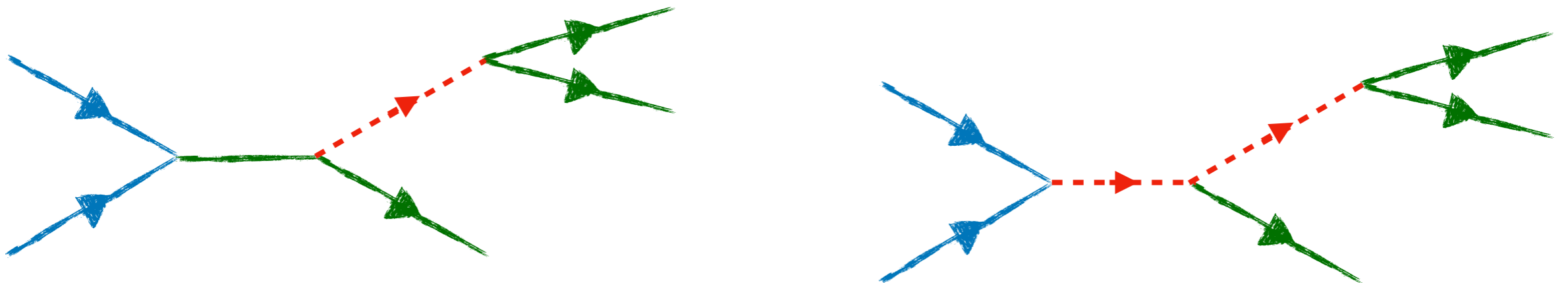
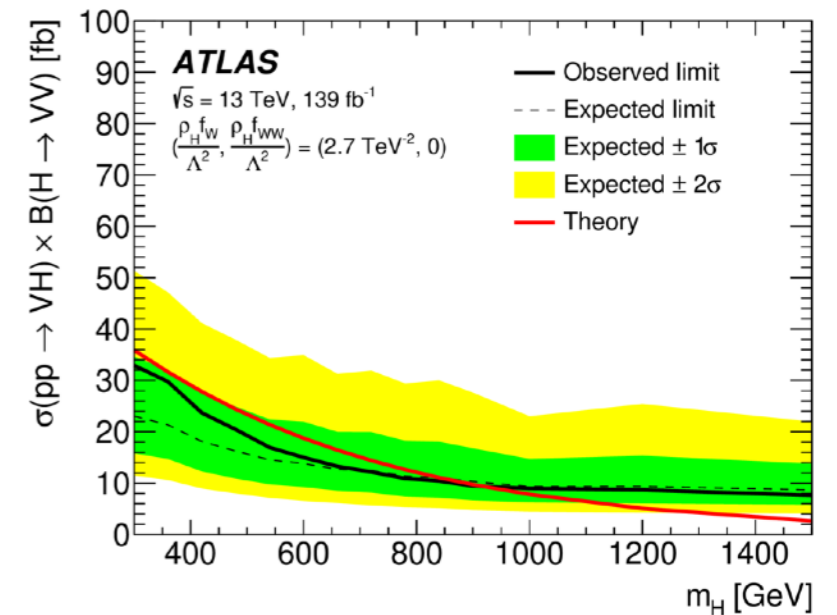
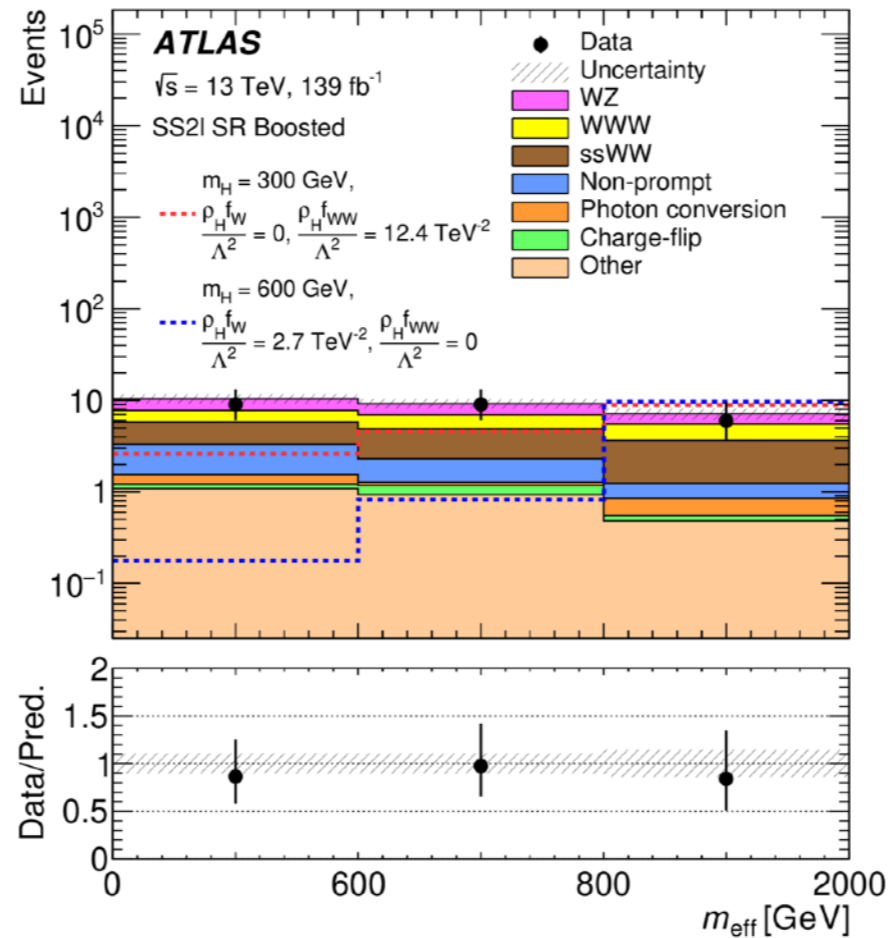
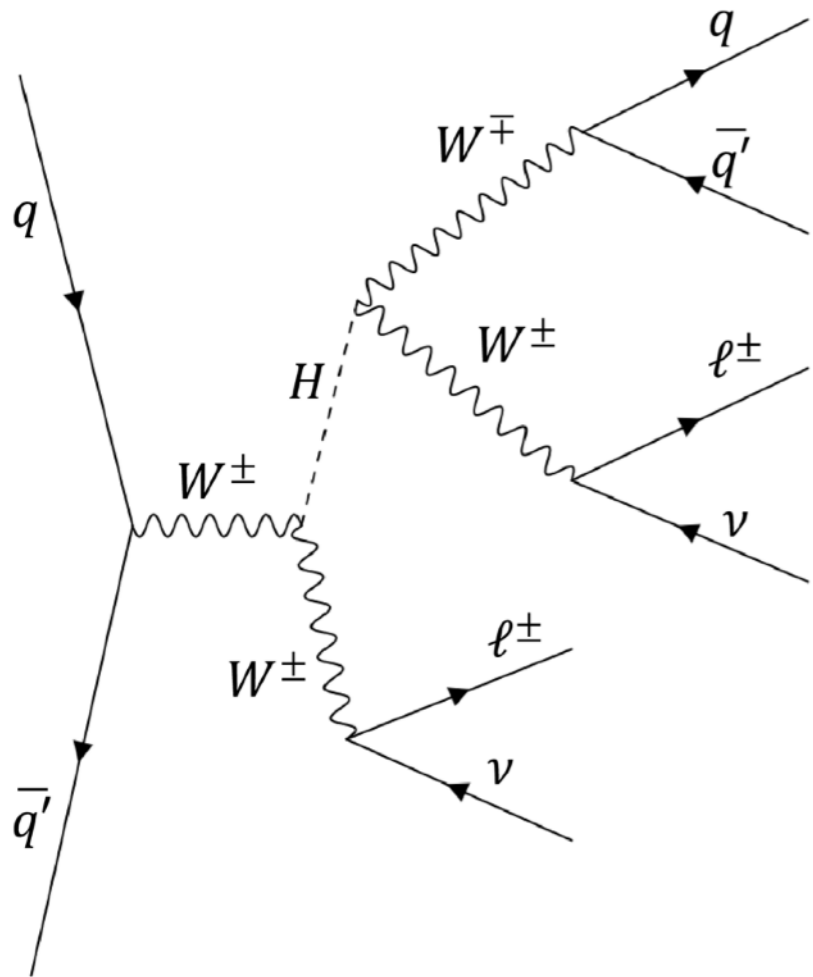


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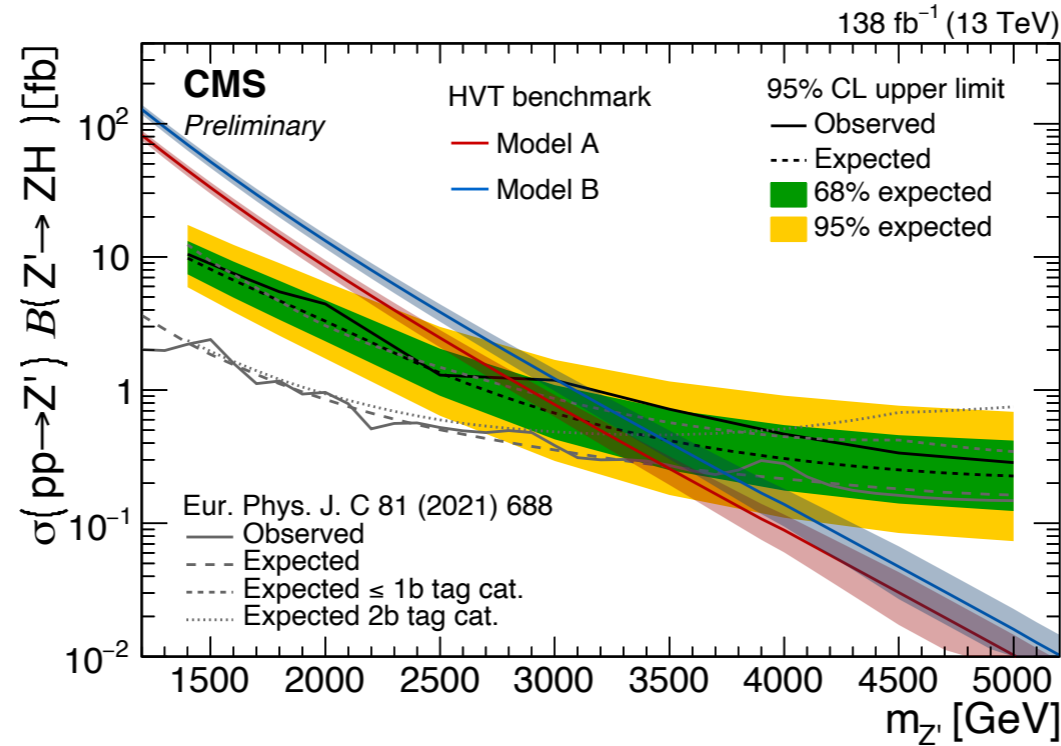
Generic Heavy Higgs search

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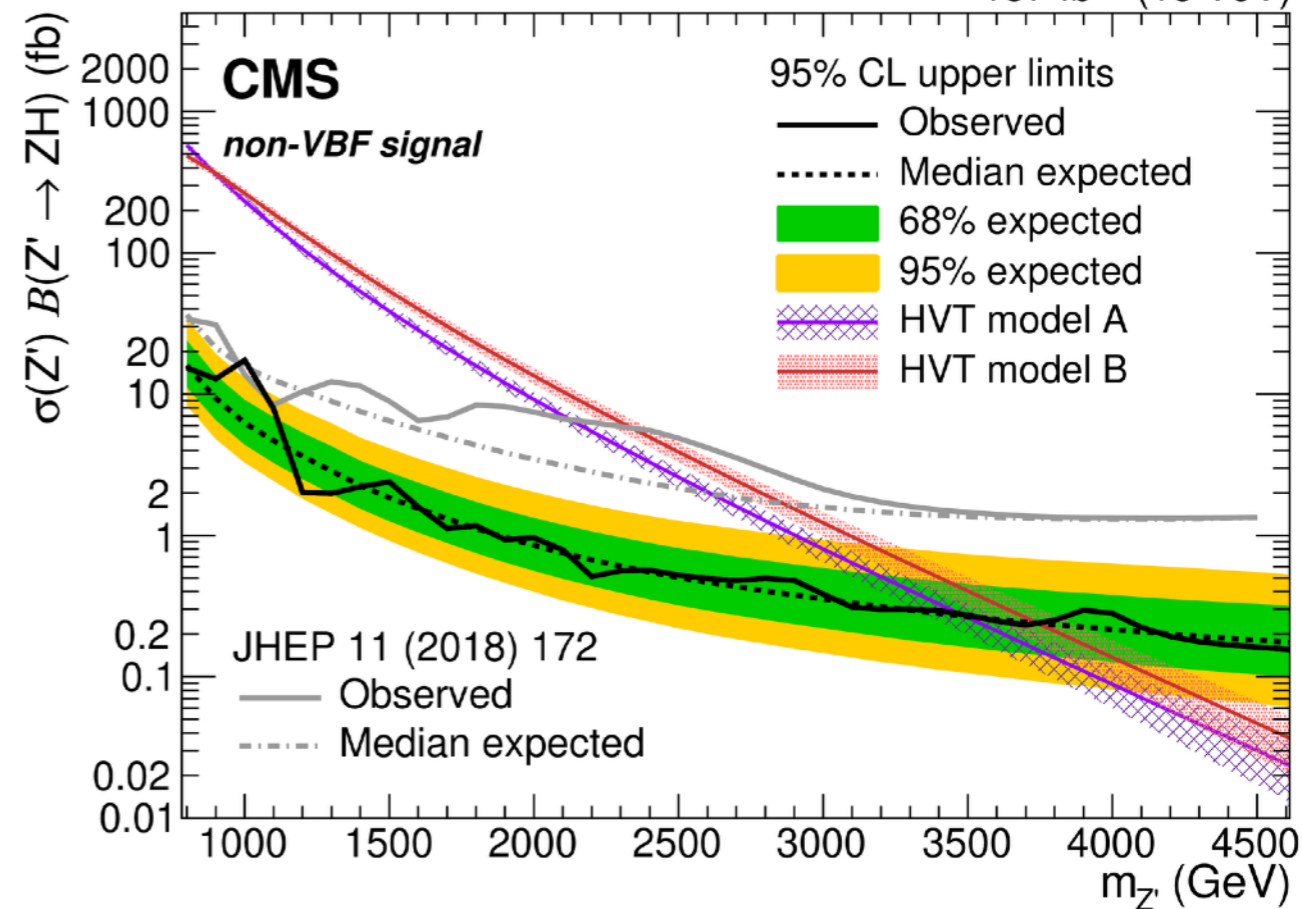
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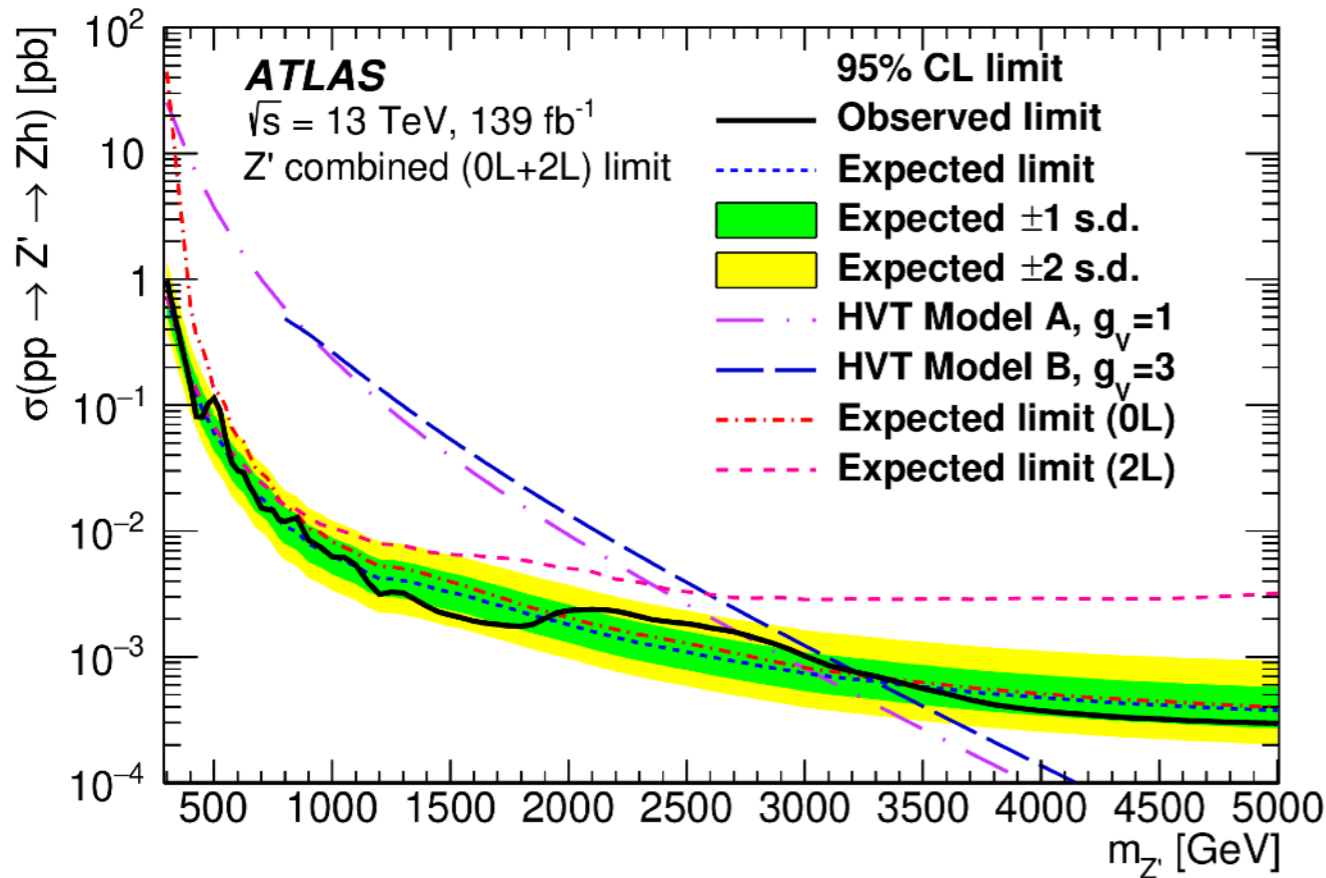
CMS, $h(bb)$

137 fb^{-1} (13 TeV)



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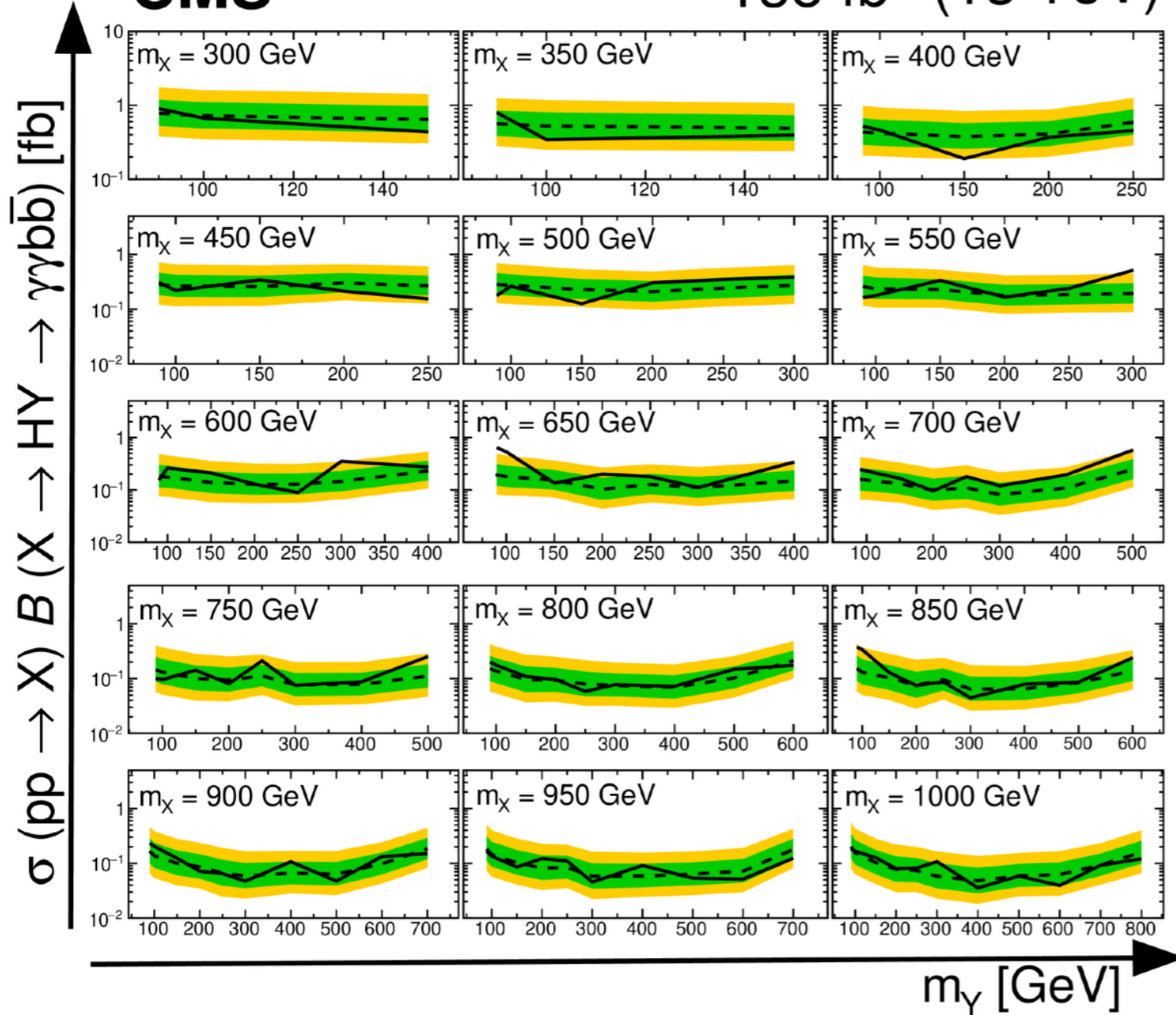
ATLAS, $h(bb)$



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(Spin-0) $X \rightarrow HY \rightarrow \gamma b \bar{b}$

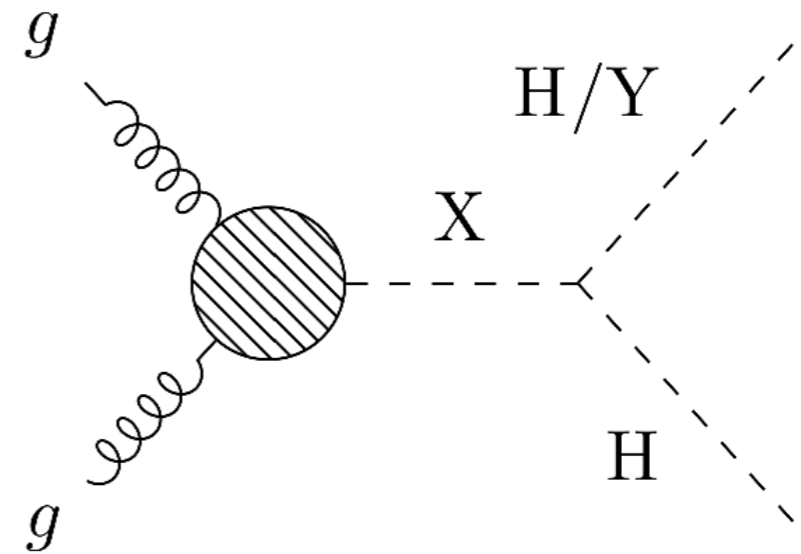
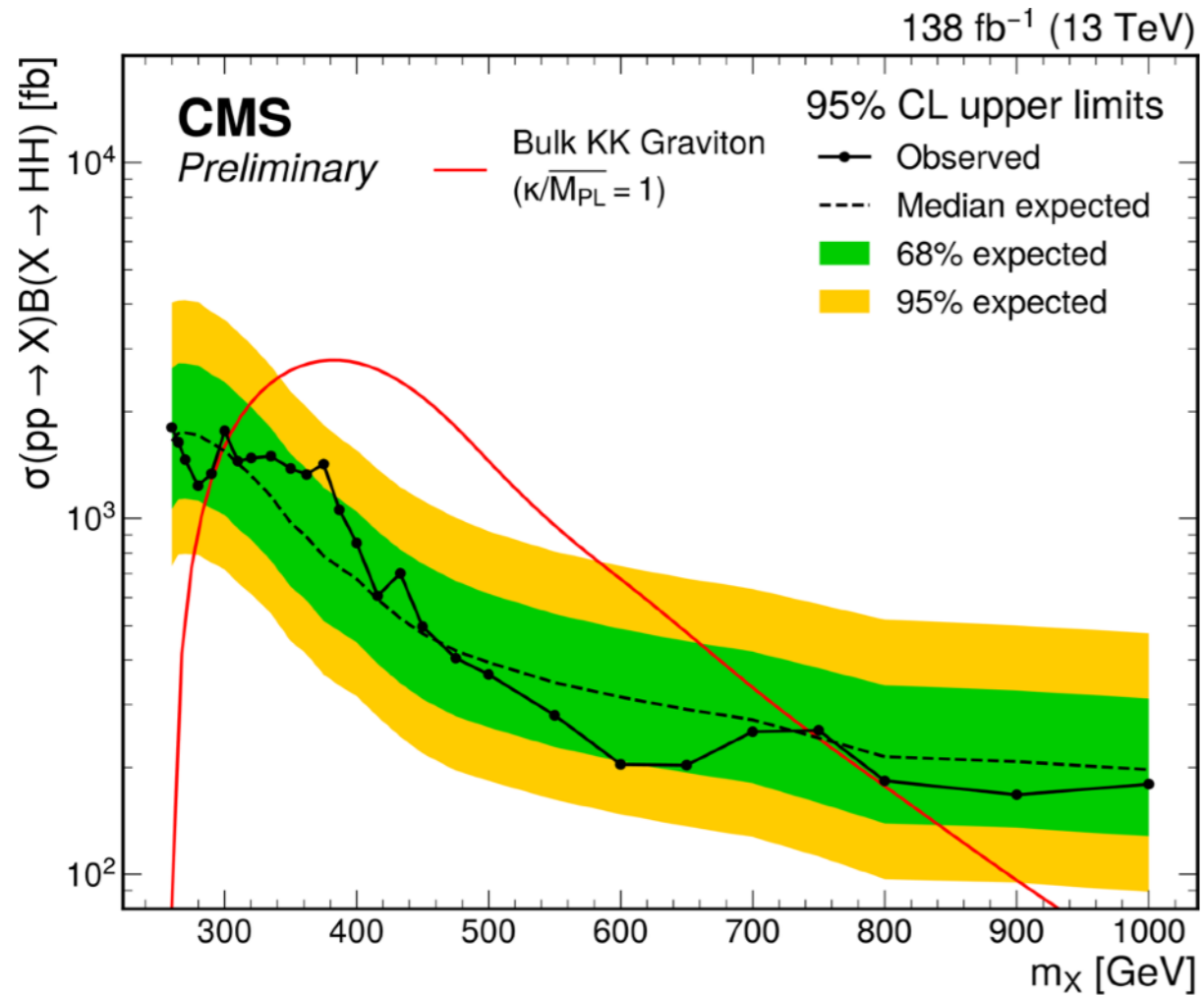
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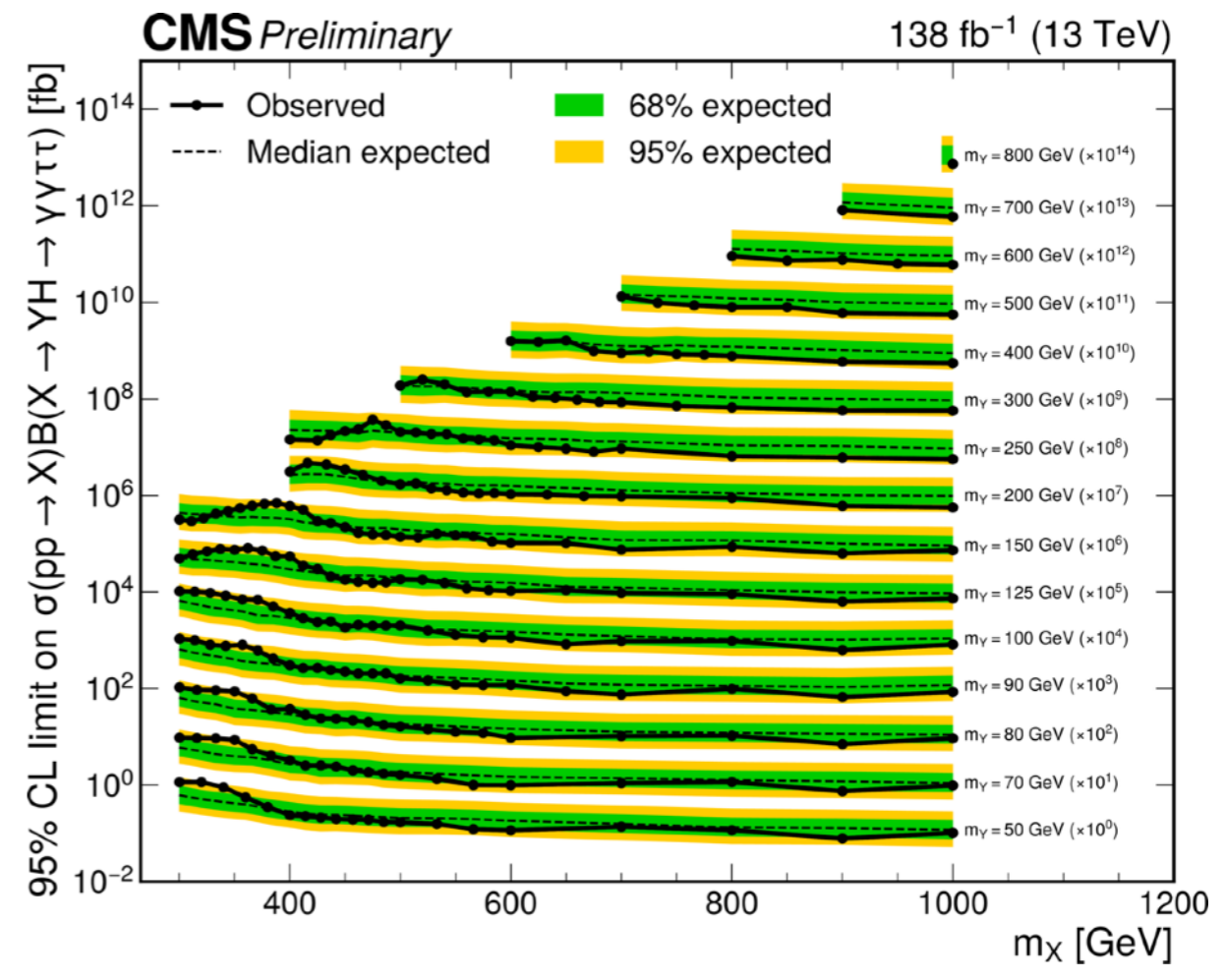
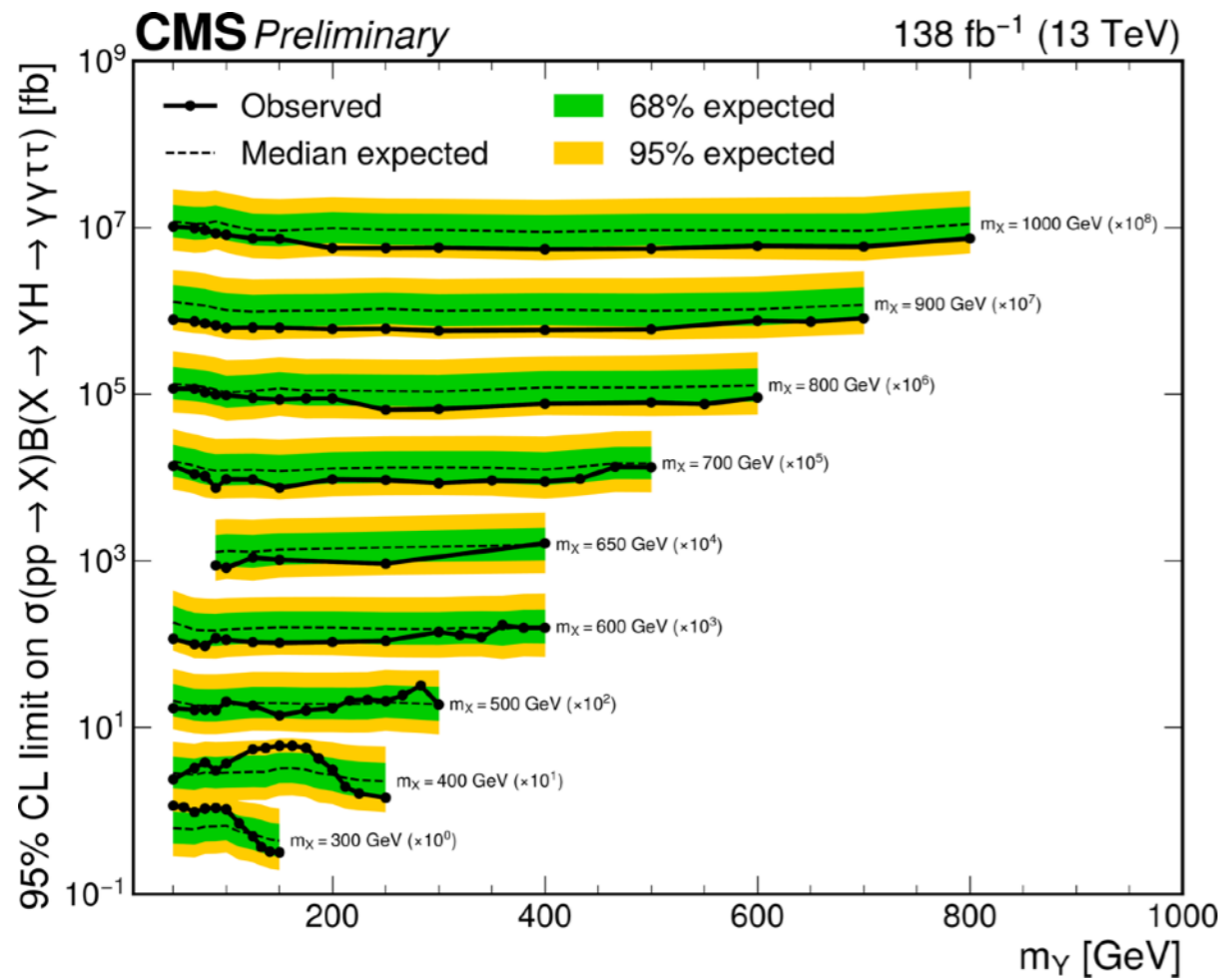
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——— Observed 95% upper limit

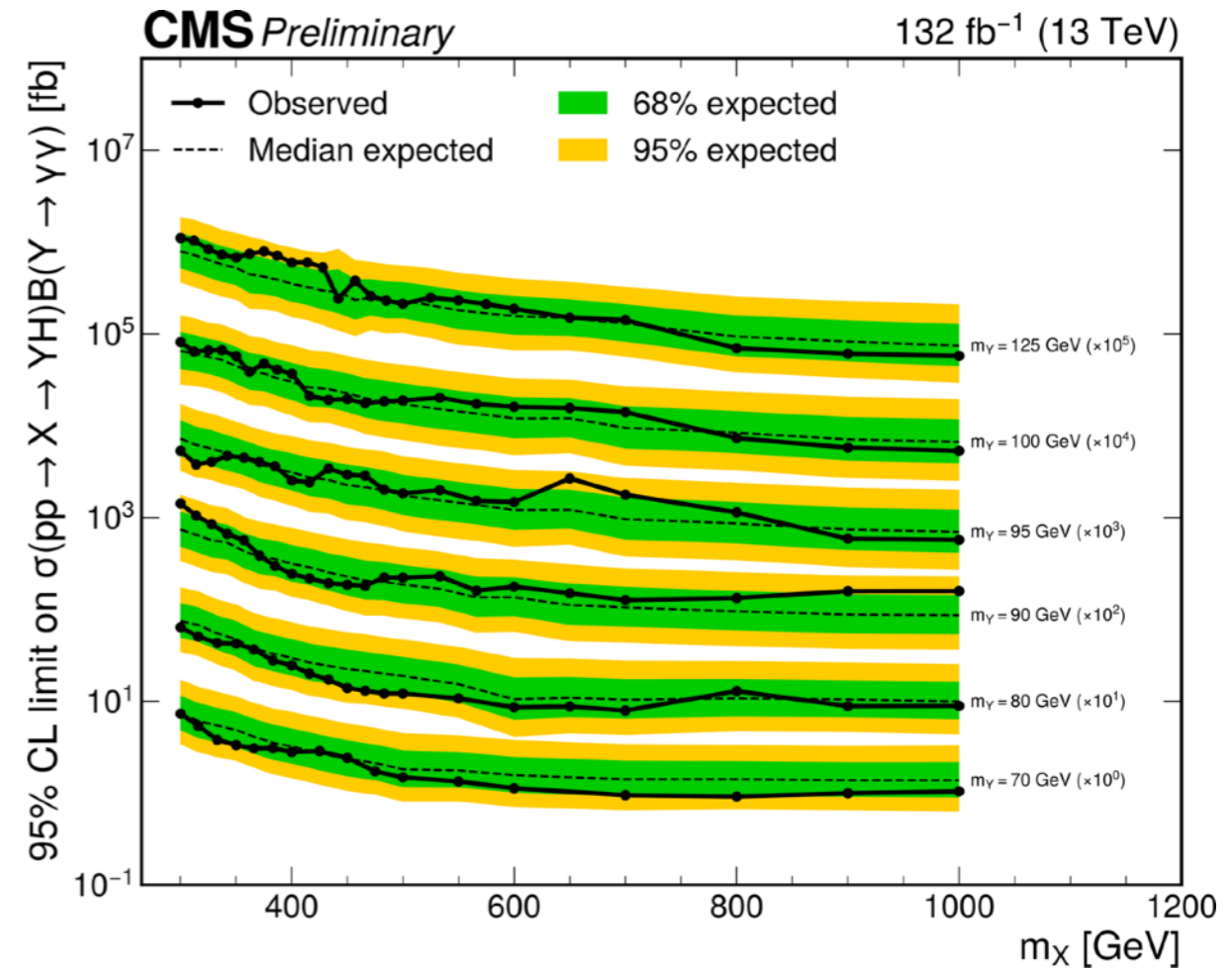
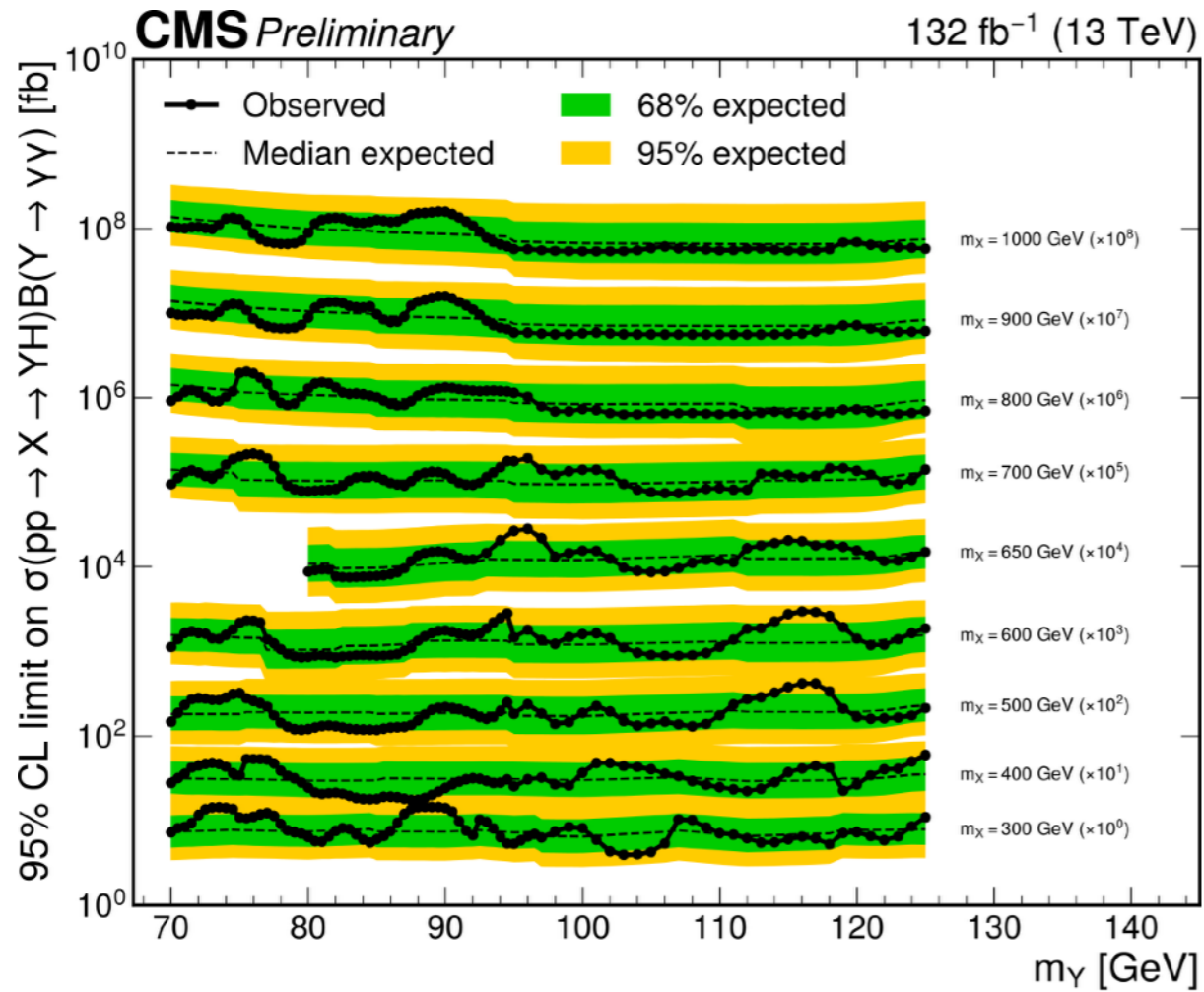
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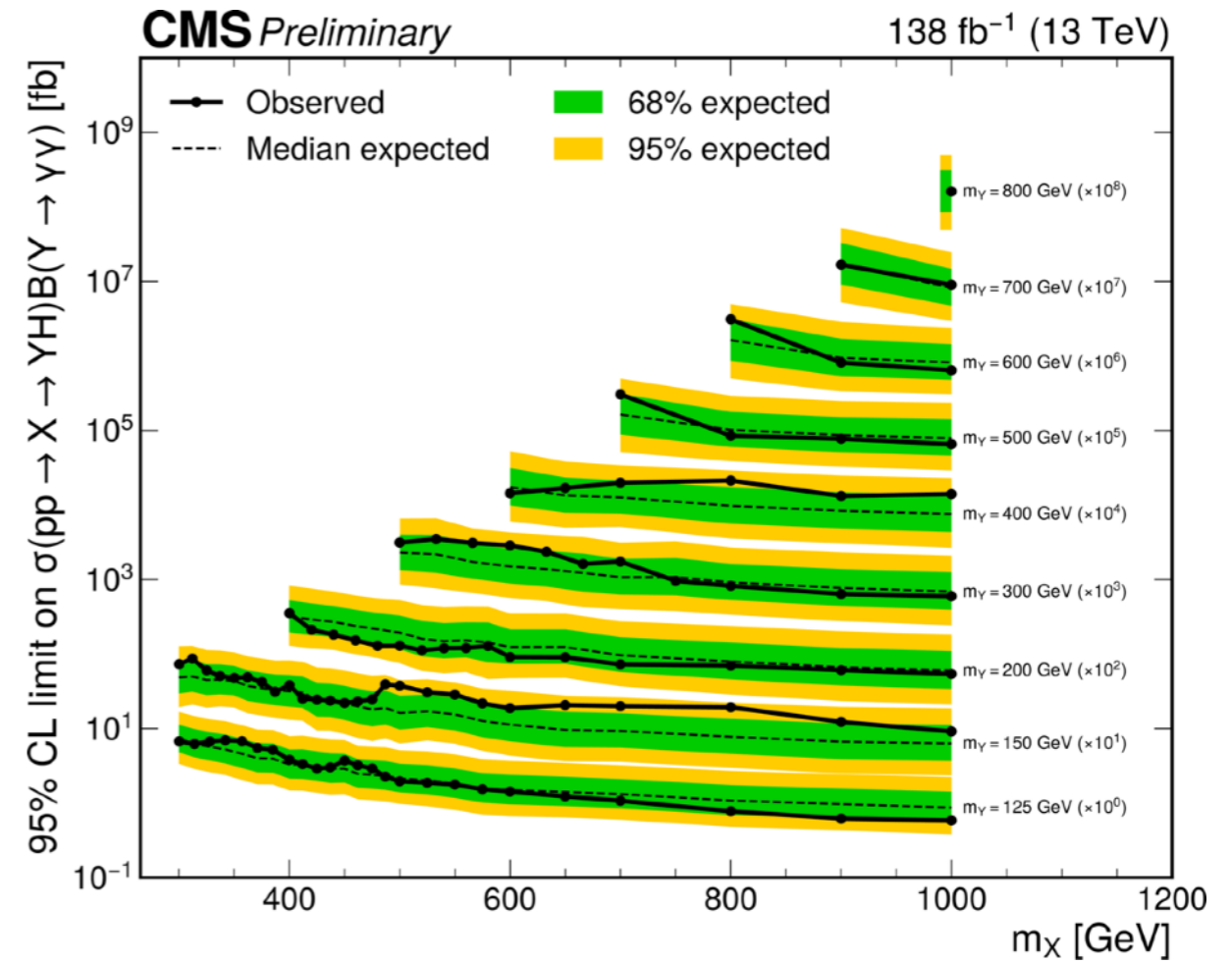
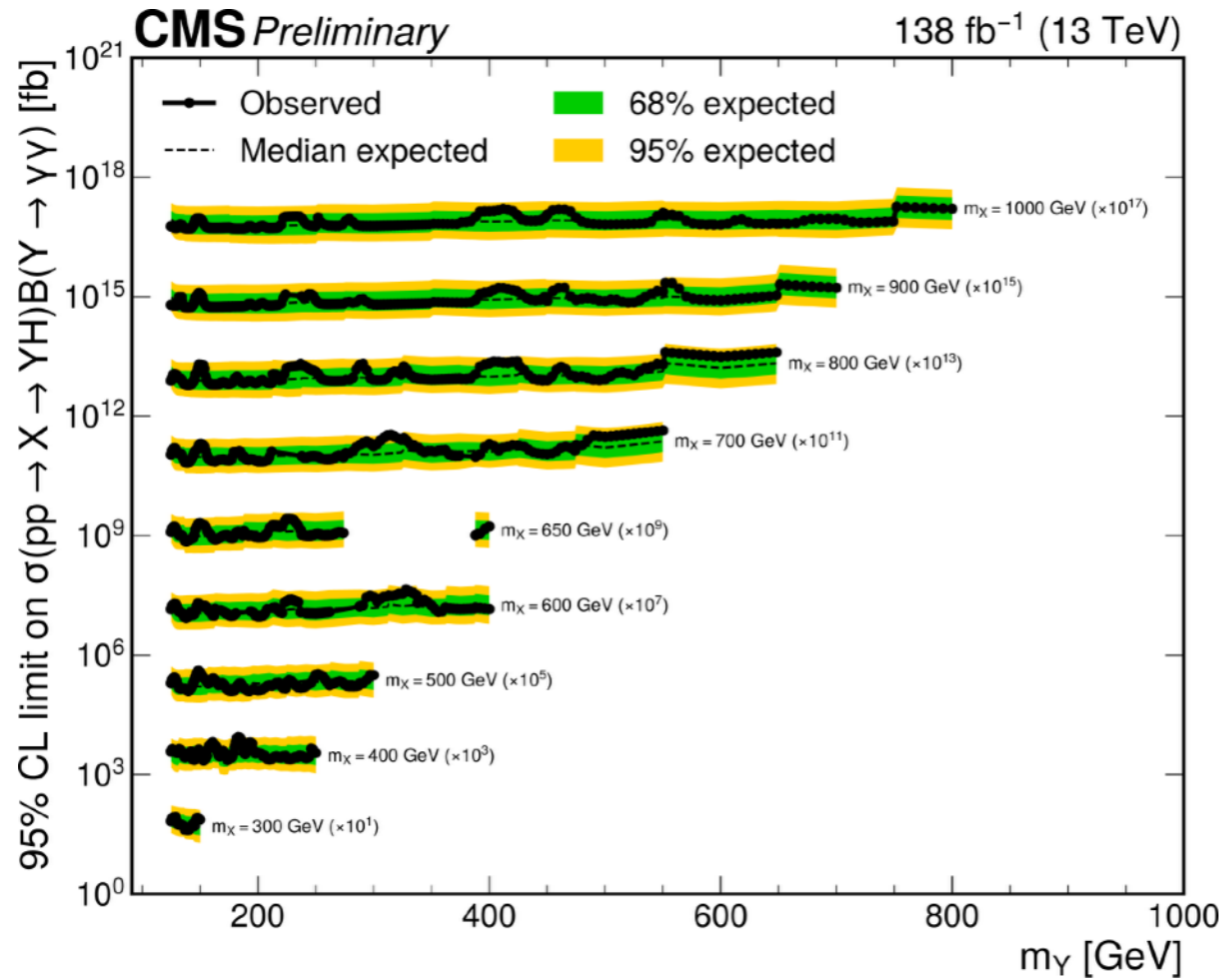
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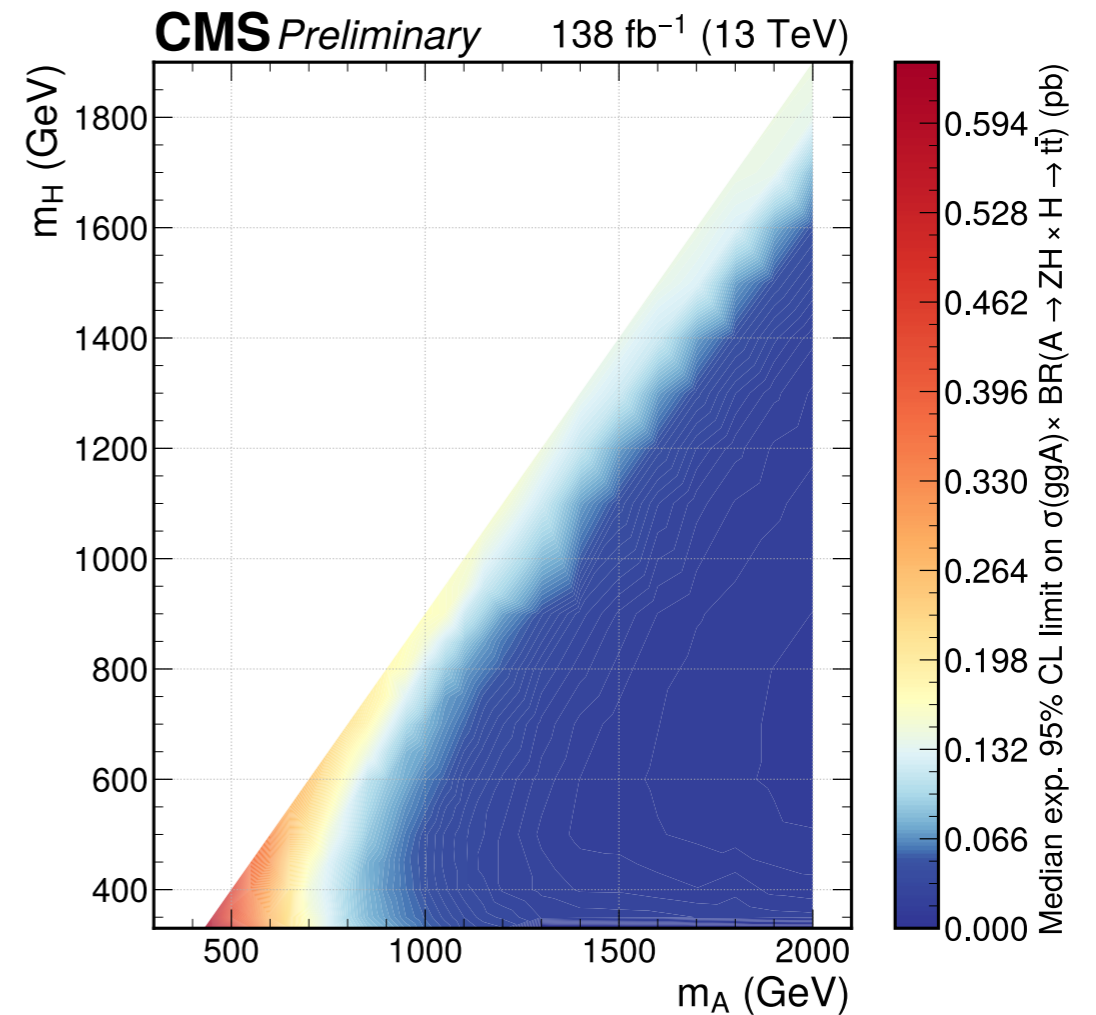
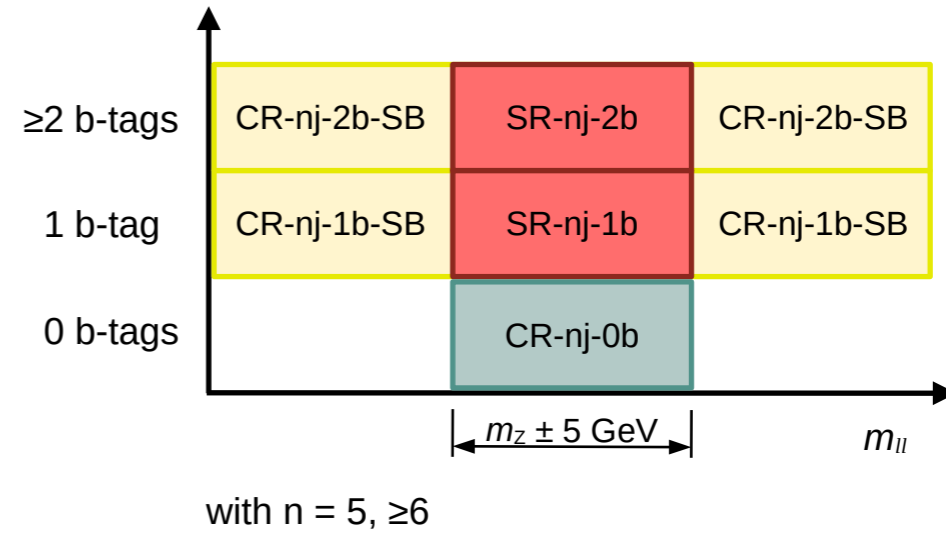
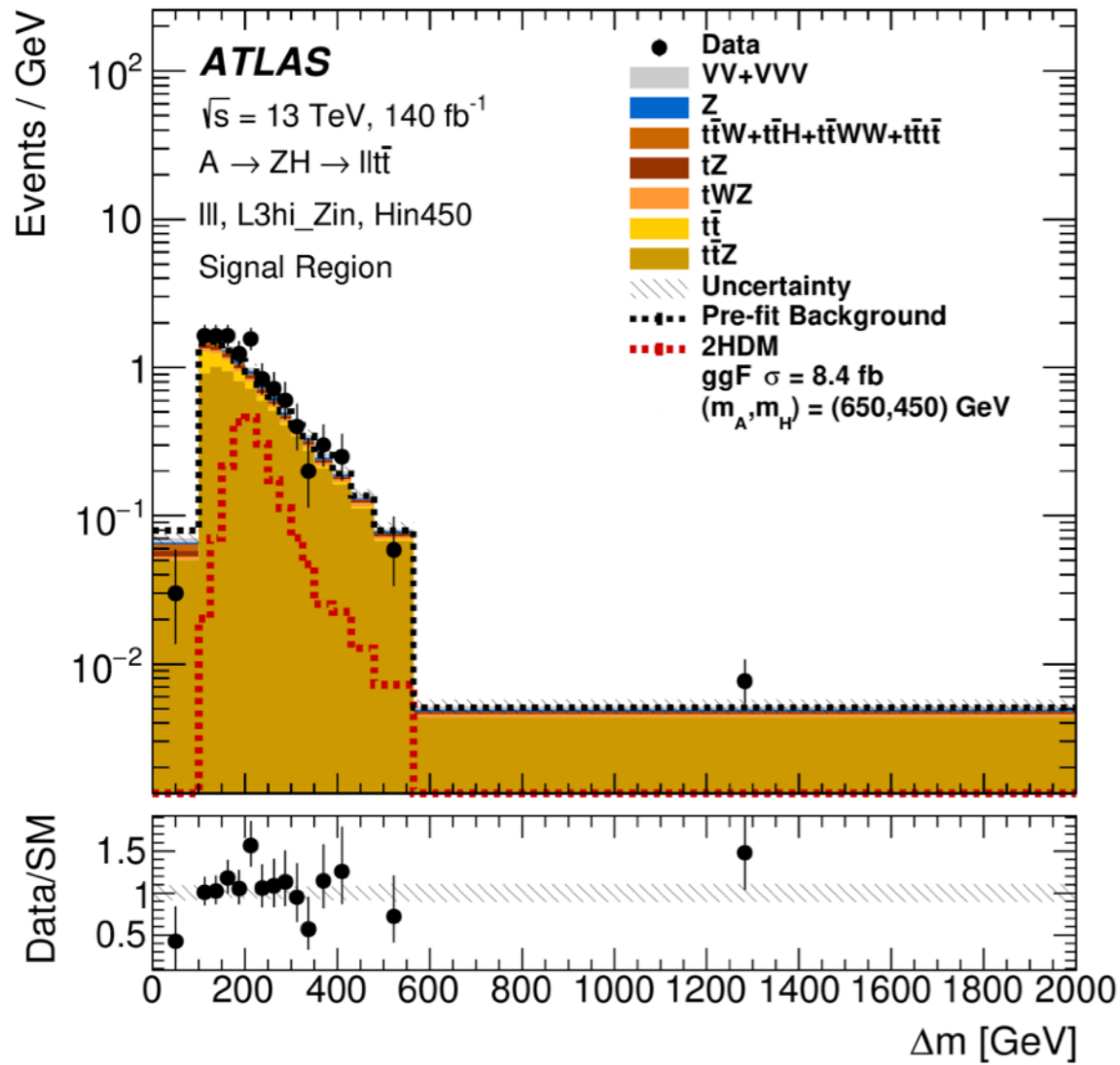
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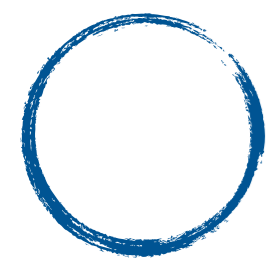


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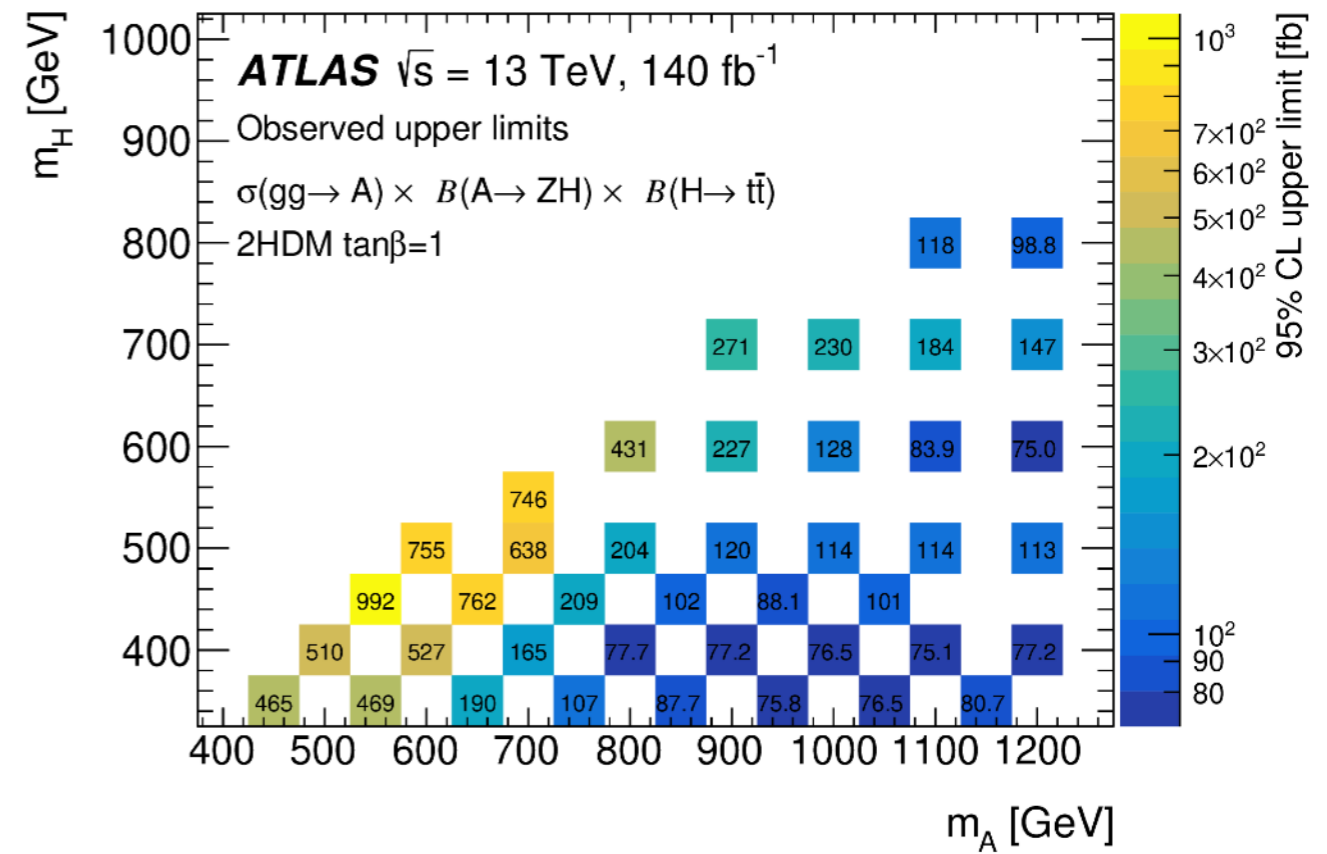
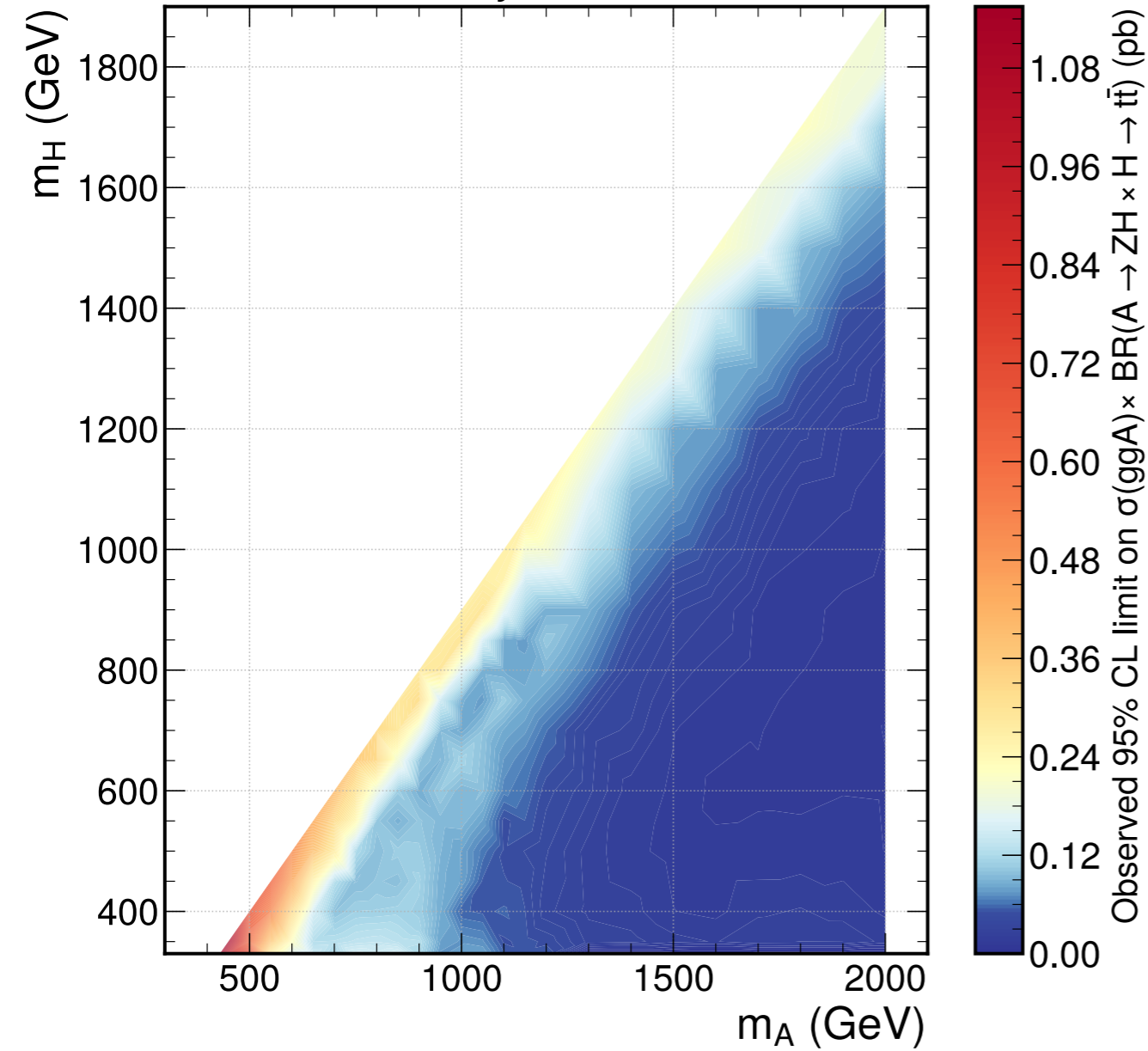


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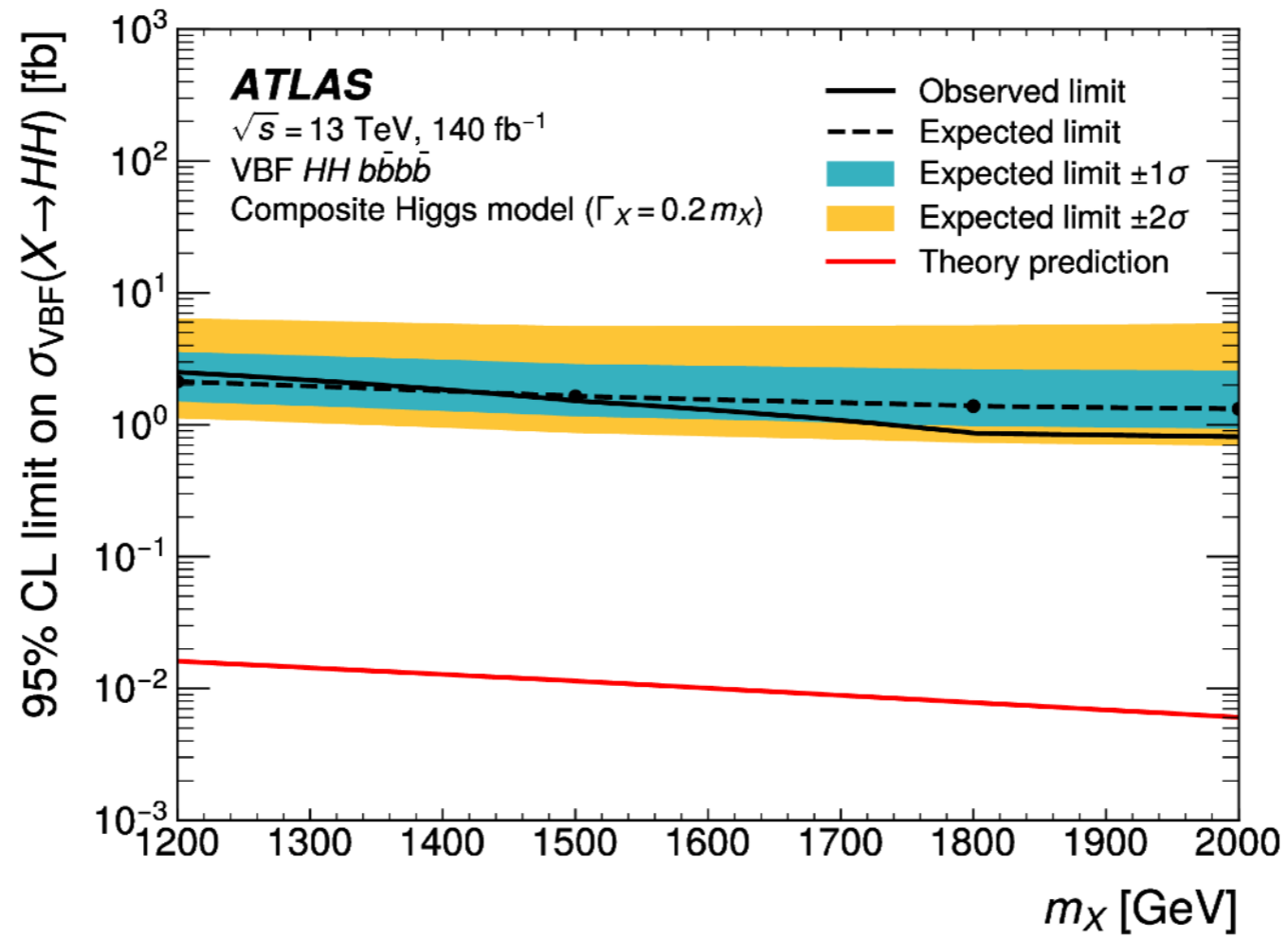


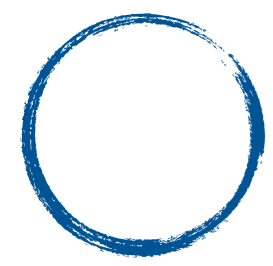


CMS Preliminary 138 fb⁻¹ (13 TeV)



Resonant hh 4b





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