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# Challenging channels at HL-LHC: $t\bar{t}H(bb)$ , $VH(bb)$ , $H(\tau\tau)$ , $VBF$

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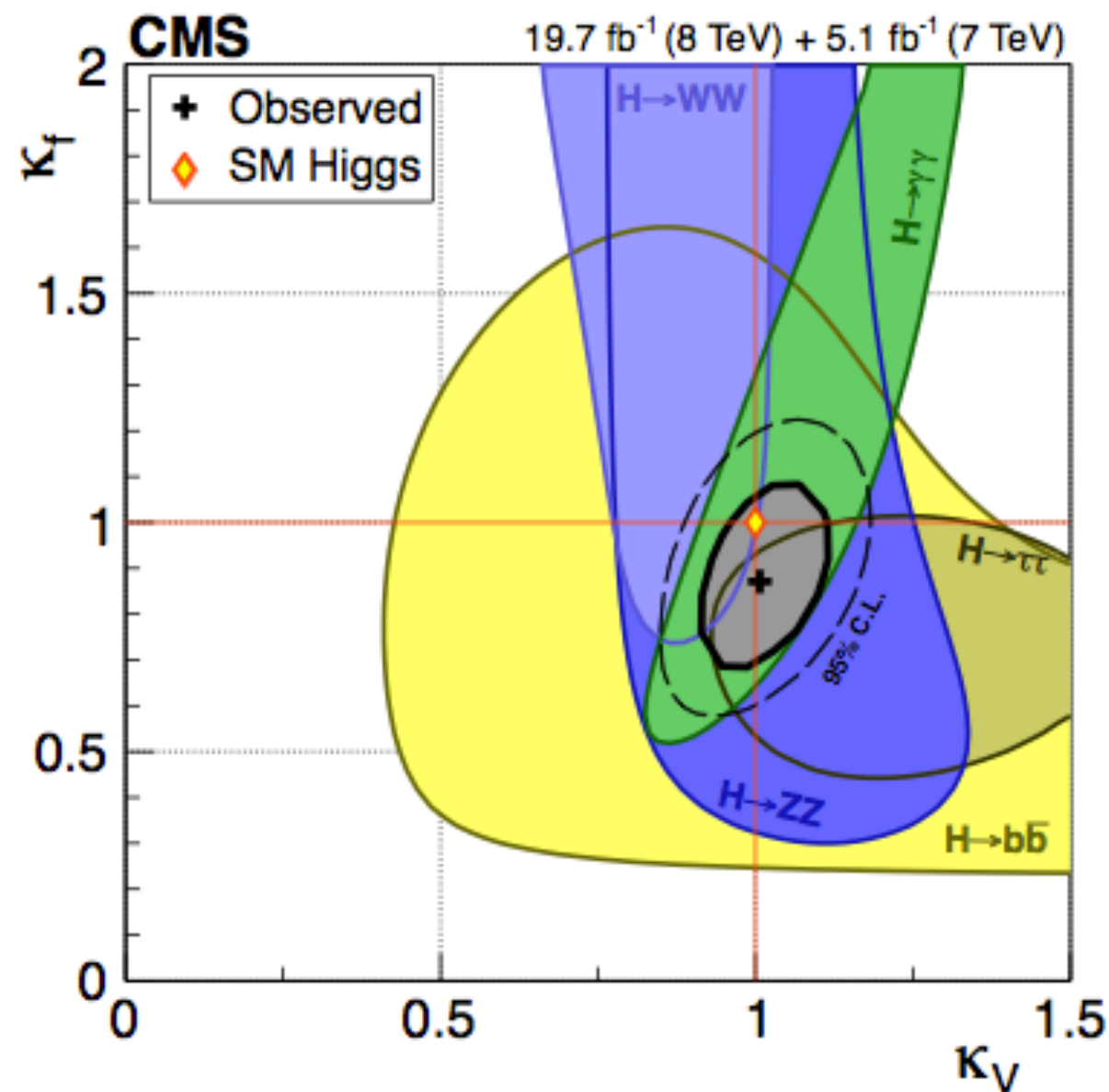
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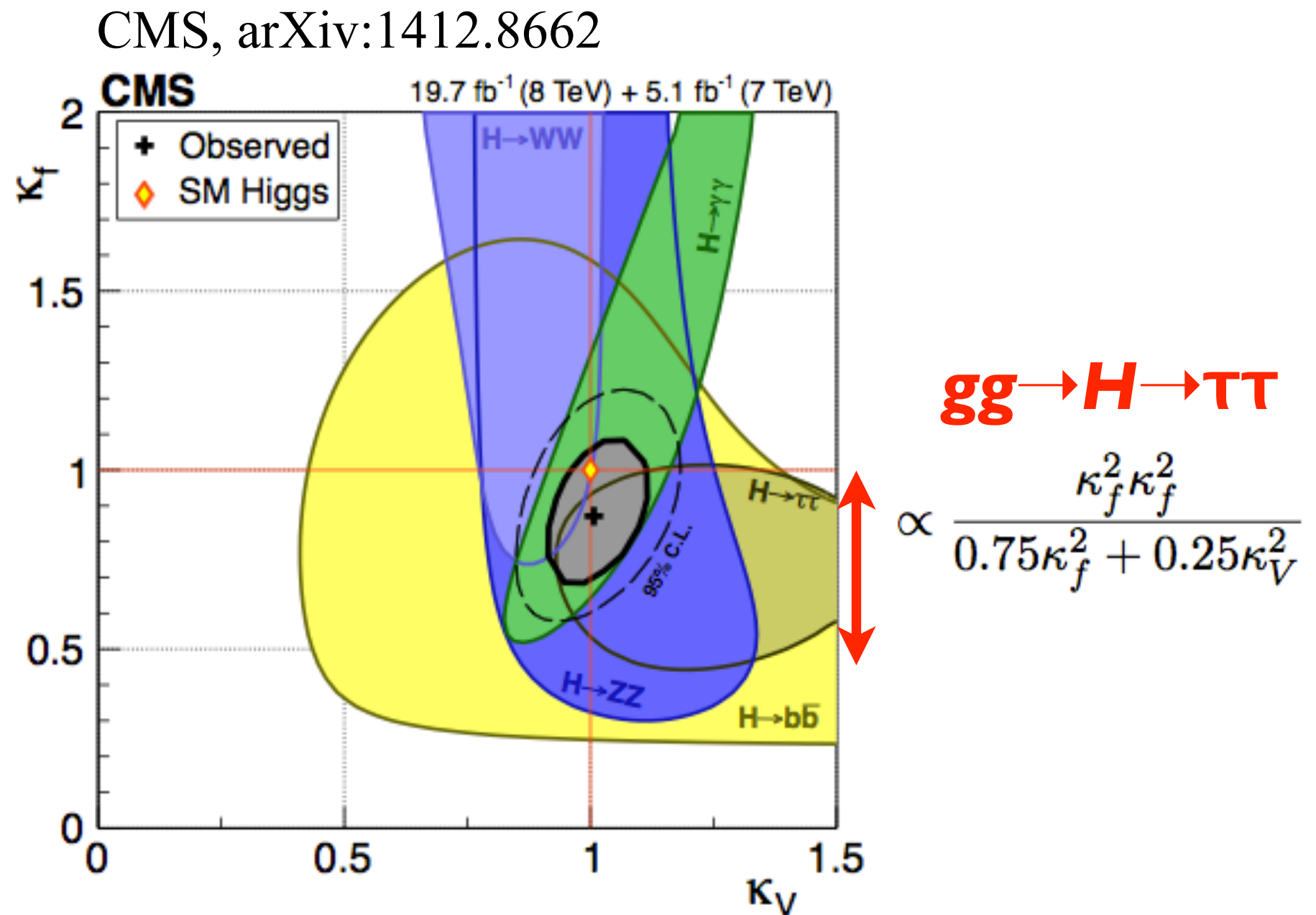
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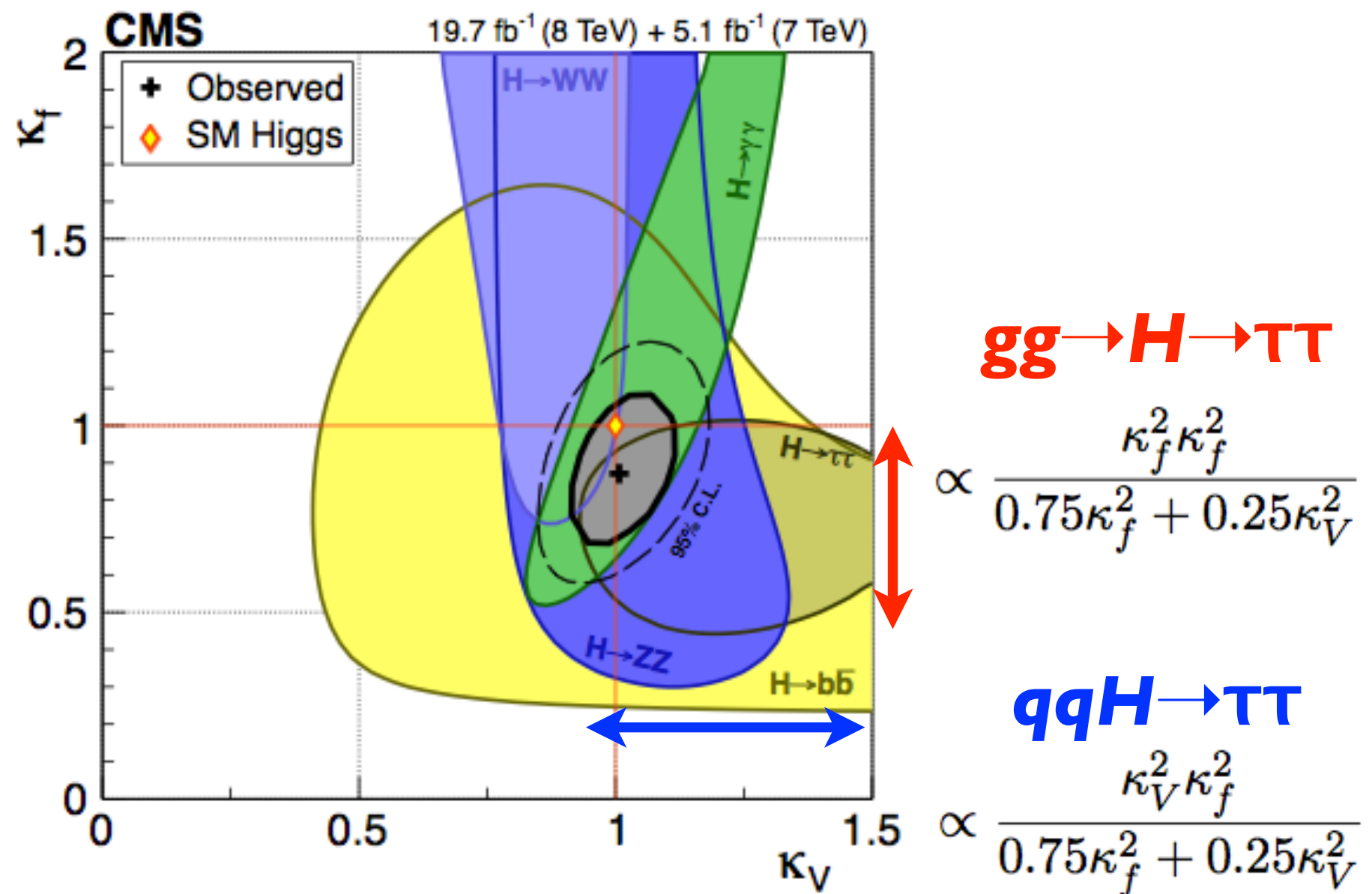


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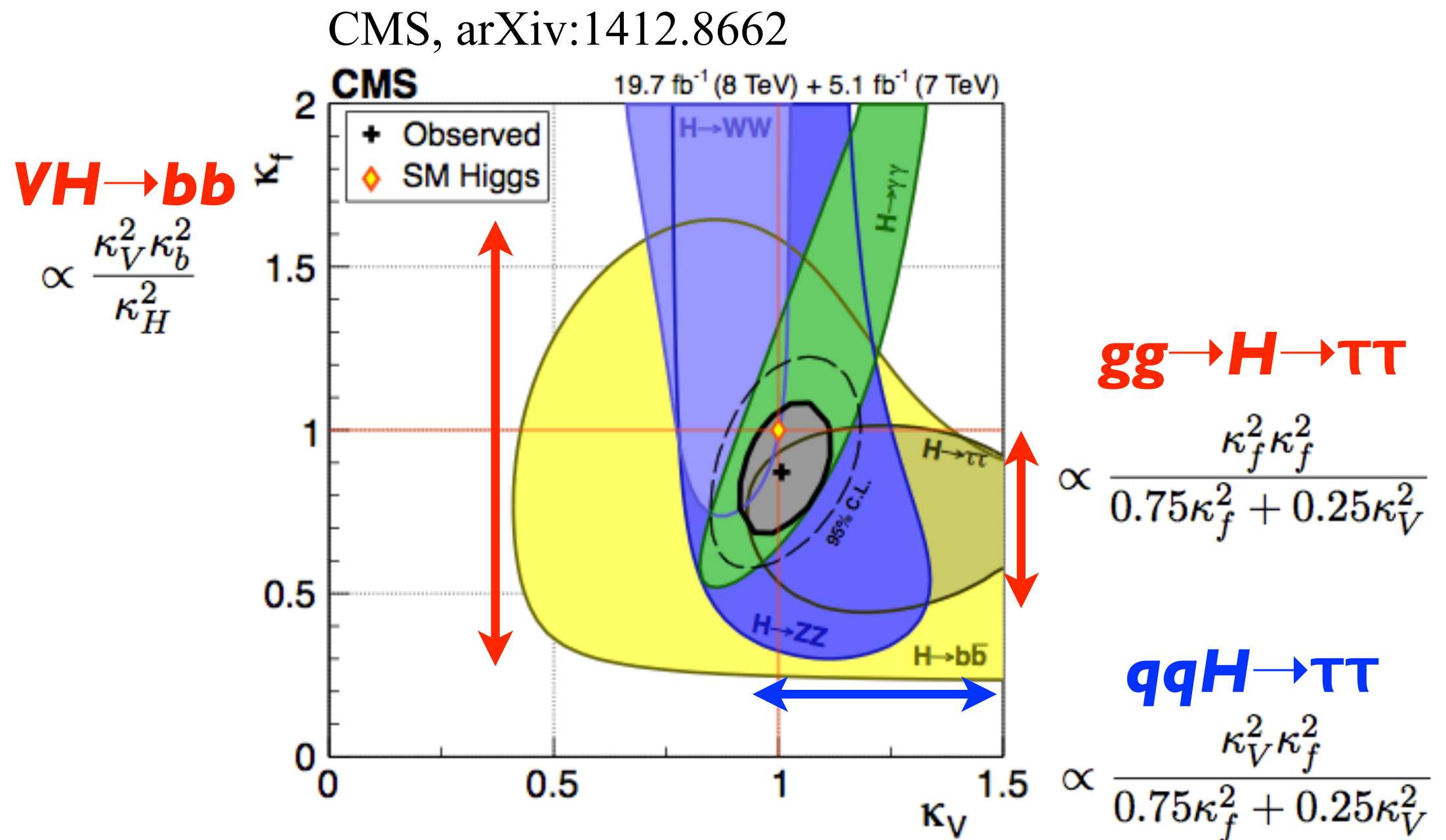
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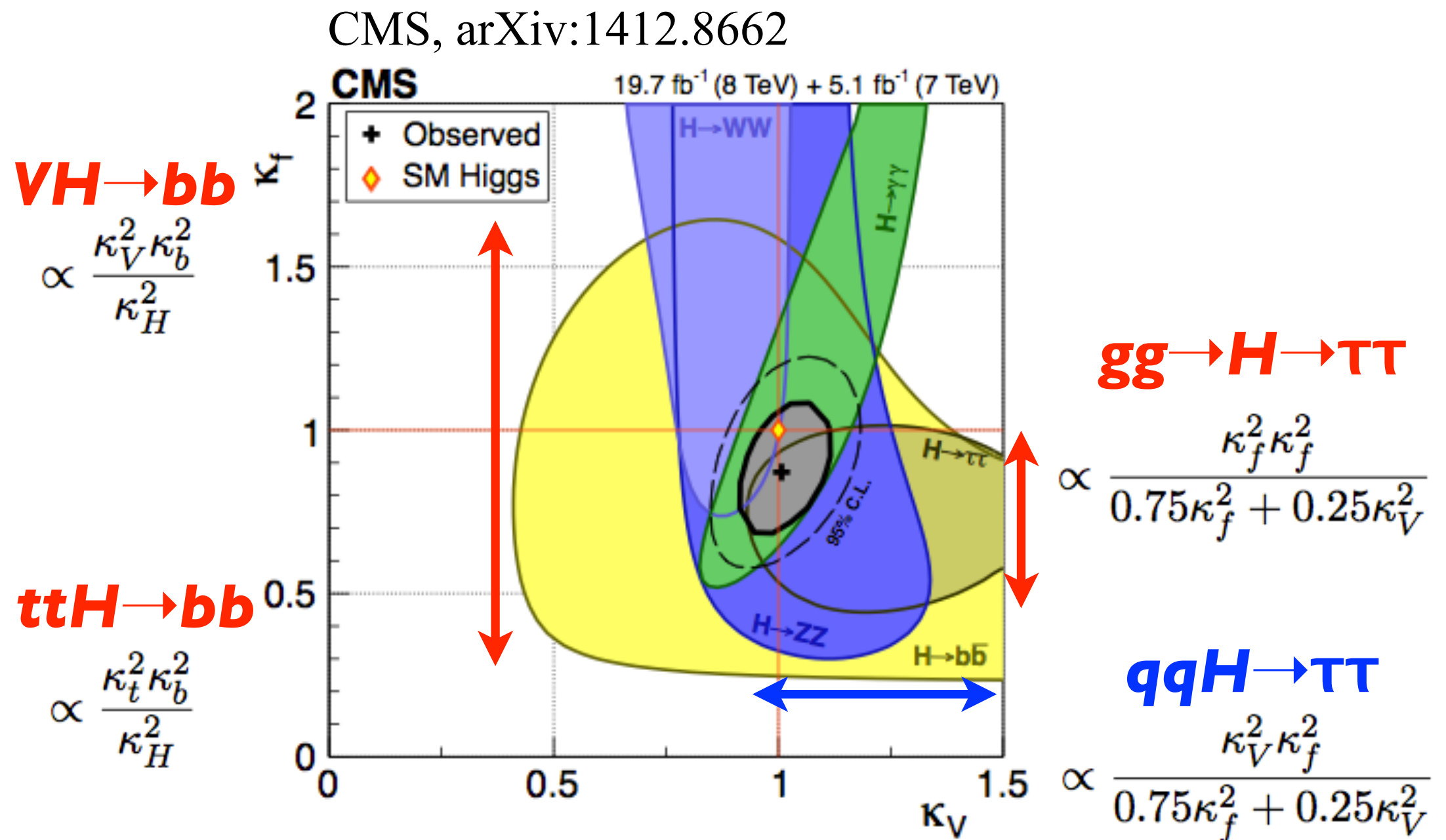
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# Overview

- Highlight features and issues of Run I analyses
  - ▶ Assumption: Run I analyses  $\sim$ optimal  $\Leftrightarrow$  very close to final HL-LHC ones
  - ▶ Then, use Run I analyses to gain insights on
    - detector upgrades
    - theoretical inputs to be improved
    - auxiliary measurements
- Results from public ATLAS and CMS projections for HL-LHC:
  - ▶ ATLAS:
    - “Simulation smeared by appropriate resolution functions.  
Repeating 8 TeV-like analyses (not always legacy analyses).”*
  - ▶ CMS:
    - “Project Run I analyses data cards (2013) to high-lumi.  
Full simulation of detector upgrade validates projection.”*
    - not always comparable
    - most of the times, same conclusions can be drawn
    - alternative approaches as a basis to span different scenarios



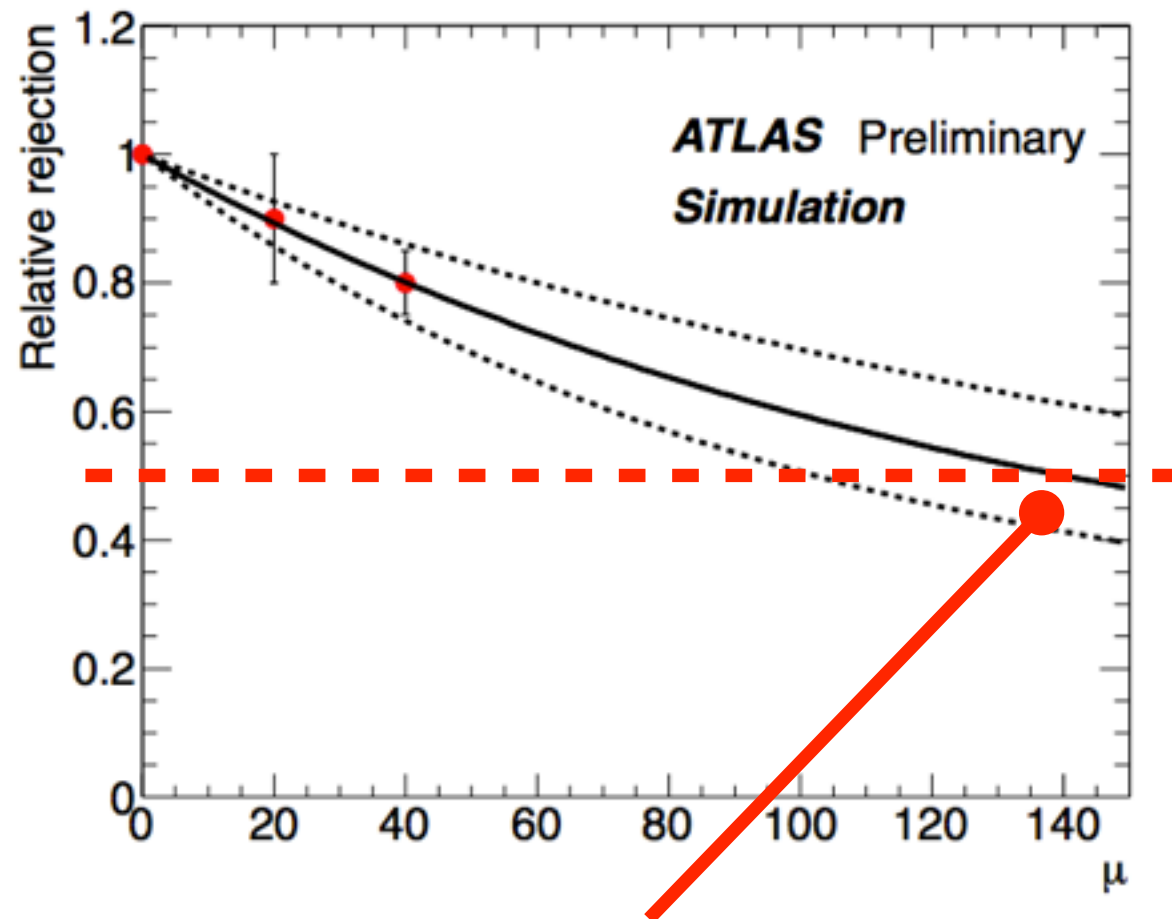
*VH(bb)*

# Experimental challenge: **b** tagging

B-tag performances heavily degraded by PU

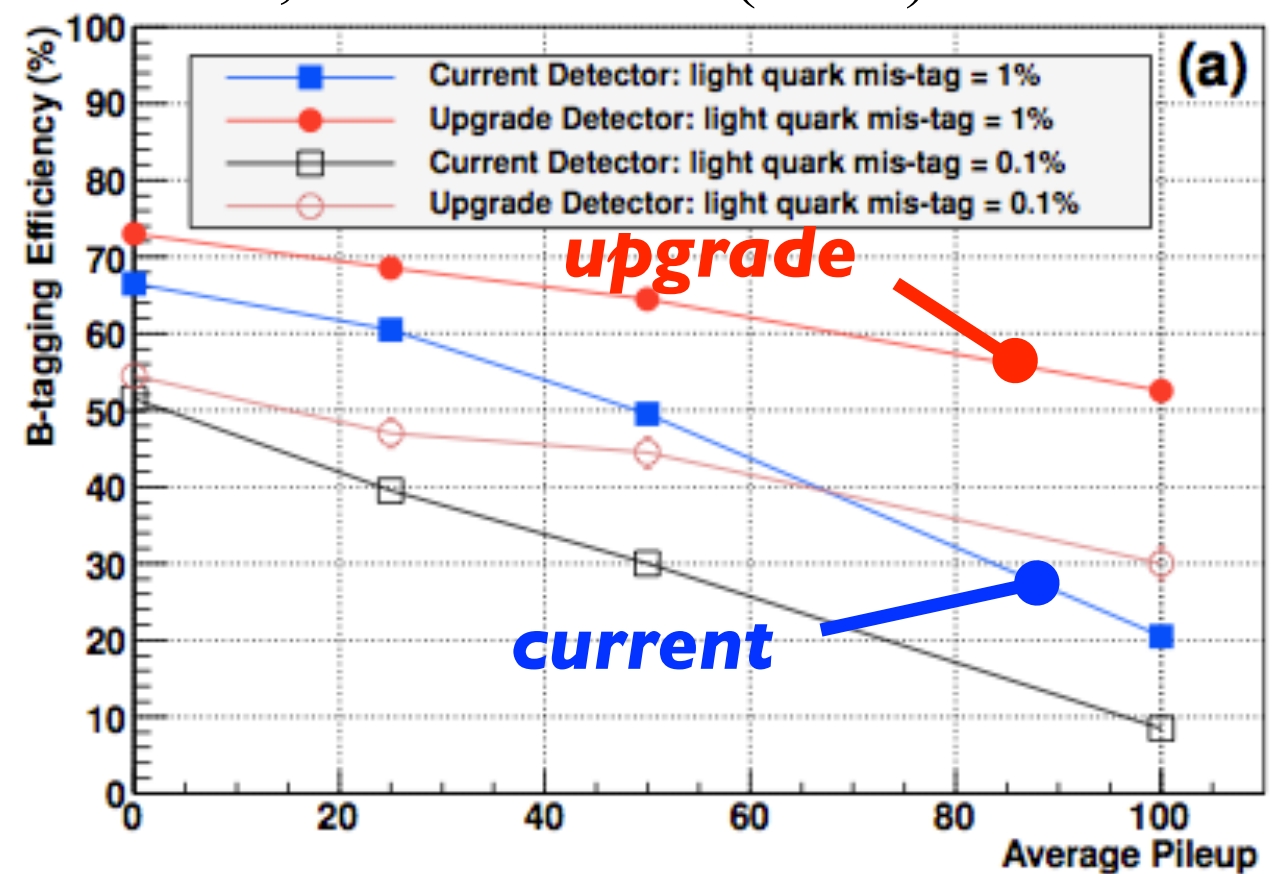
- ▶ extra particles, lower tracking efficiency

ATLAS-PHYS-PUB-2013-004



**Light-flavour rejection vs  $\mu_{PU}$  w/o detector upgrade**

CMS, NOTE-13-02 (2013)



**Pixel upgrade crucial to recover efficiency**

# Theory uncertainties: $VH$

## NLO MCs reweighted to best accuracy

- ▶ QCD @NNLO and EWK @NLO
- ▶ both  $qqVH$  and  $ggZH$  productions
- ▶ uncertainty on acceptance increased by analysis cuts ( $p_T^V$ ,  $N_{jet}$ )
  - further enhanced in most sensitive BDT bins

ATLAS, JHEP 01 (2015) 069

Signal	
Cross section (scale)	1% ( $q\bar{q}$ ) 50% ( $gg$ )
Cross section (PDF)	2.4% ( $q\bar{q}$ ) 17% ( $gg$ )
Branching ratio	3.3%
Acceptance (scale)	1.5%–3.3%
3-jet acceptance (scale)	3.3%–4.2%
$p_T^V$ shape (scale)	S
Acceptance (PDF)	2%–5%
$p_T^V$ shape (NLO EW correction)	S
Acceptance (parton shower)	8%–13%

**$ggZH \sim 10\% \sigma_{VH} @ 14 \text{ TeV}$**

**e.g. PYTHIA vs HERWIG**  
 Can it be constrained by  $WZ/ZZ$ ?  
 $\sigma_{stat}^{WZ/ZZ} \sim 2\% \text{ at } 3000 \text{ fb}^{-1}$

### PDFs

Can be related to other  
 Drell-Yan measurements?

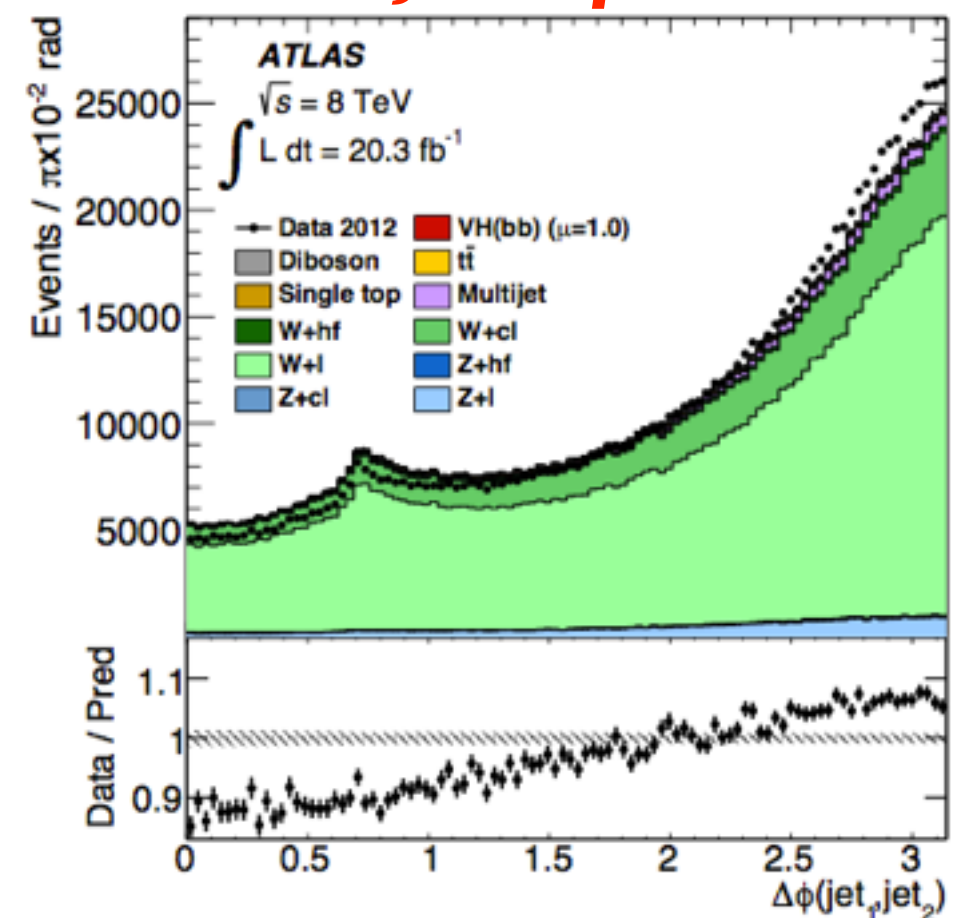
# Background systematics

- Shape from MC
  - ▶ systematics from MC comparison
- Normalisation from sidebands
  - ▶ when statistical power (and purity) large enough
    - scale factors often large (can shapes/extrapolation be trusted at all?)
  - ▶ when insufficient lever-arm, constrain ratios of backgrounds
    - 3/2-jet ratio,  $Wb\ell/Wbb, Wbc/Wbb, \dots$
    - 10-35% theory unc. on ratios

## CMS, background scale factors

Process	$W(\ell\nu)H$	$Z(\ell\ell)H$	$Z(\nu\nu)H$
Low $p_T(V)$			
$W + \text{udscg}$	$1.03 \pm 0.01 \pm 0.05$	–	$0.83 \pm 0.02 \pm 0.04$
$W + b$	$2.22 \pm 0.25 \pm 0.20$	–	$2.30 \pm 0.21 \pm 0.11$
$W + b\bar{b}$	$1.58 \pm 0.26 \pm 0.24$	–	$0.85 \pm 0.24 \pm 0.14$
$Z + \text{udscg}$	–	$1.11 \pm 0.04 \pm 0.06$	$1.24 \pm 0.03 \pm 0.09$
$Z + b$	–	$1.59 \pm 0.07 \pm 0.08$	$2.06 \pm 0.06 \pm 0.09$
$Z + b\bar{b}$	–	$0.98 \pm 0.10 \pm 0.08$	$1.25 \pm 0.05 \pm 0.11$
$t\bar{t}$	$1.03 \pm 0.01 \pm 0.04$	$1.10 \pm 0.05 \pm 0.06$	$1.01 \pm 0.02 \pm 0.04$

## ATLAS, $W+lf$ sideband



*Improved theoretical prediction on ratios?*

# Auxiliary measurements

- Impact of background modeling already evident in Run I

- shape uncertainties won't scale with luminosity

- overkilling at higher luminosities

- Validation of key backgrounds should be pursued at HL-LHC

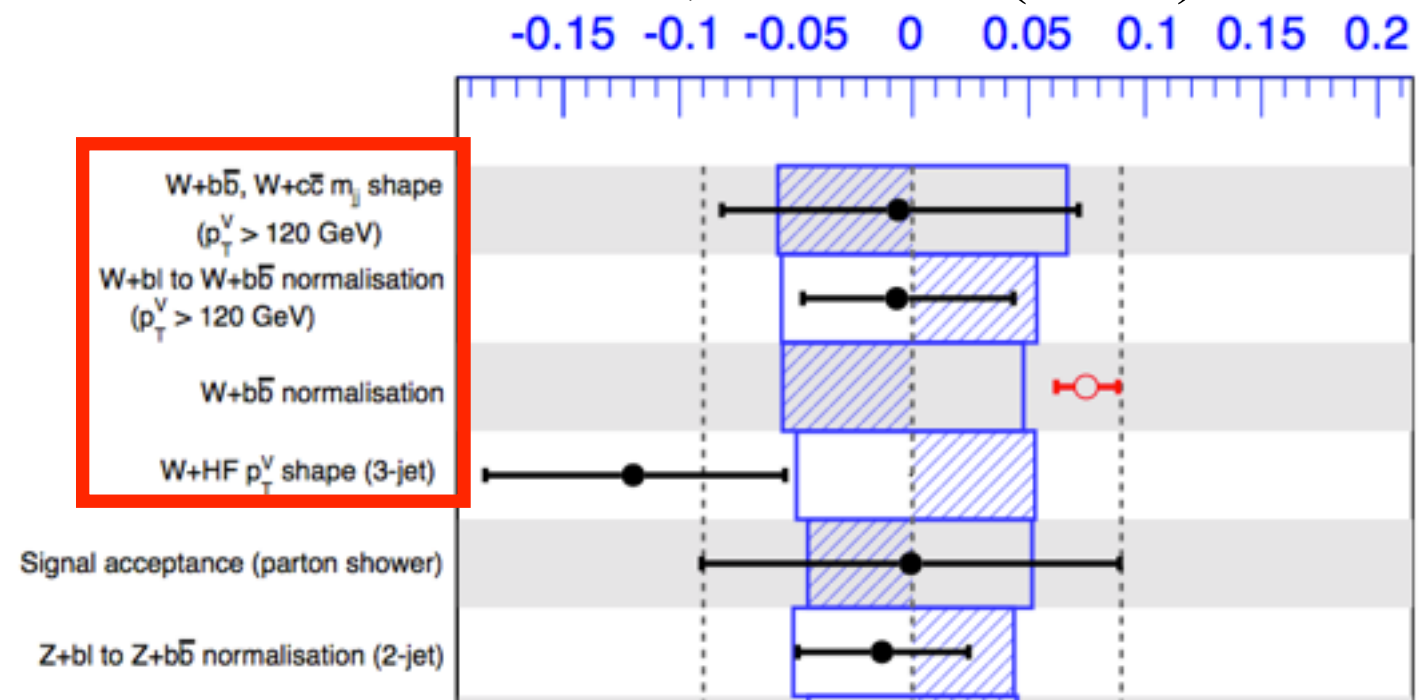
- e.g. measurements of  $V+b$ ,  $V+bb$  cross sections

- 4F/5F schemes, understanding different parton showers

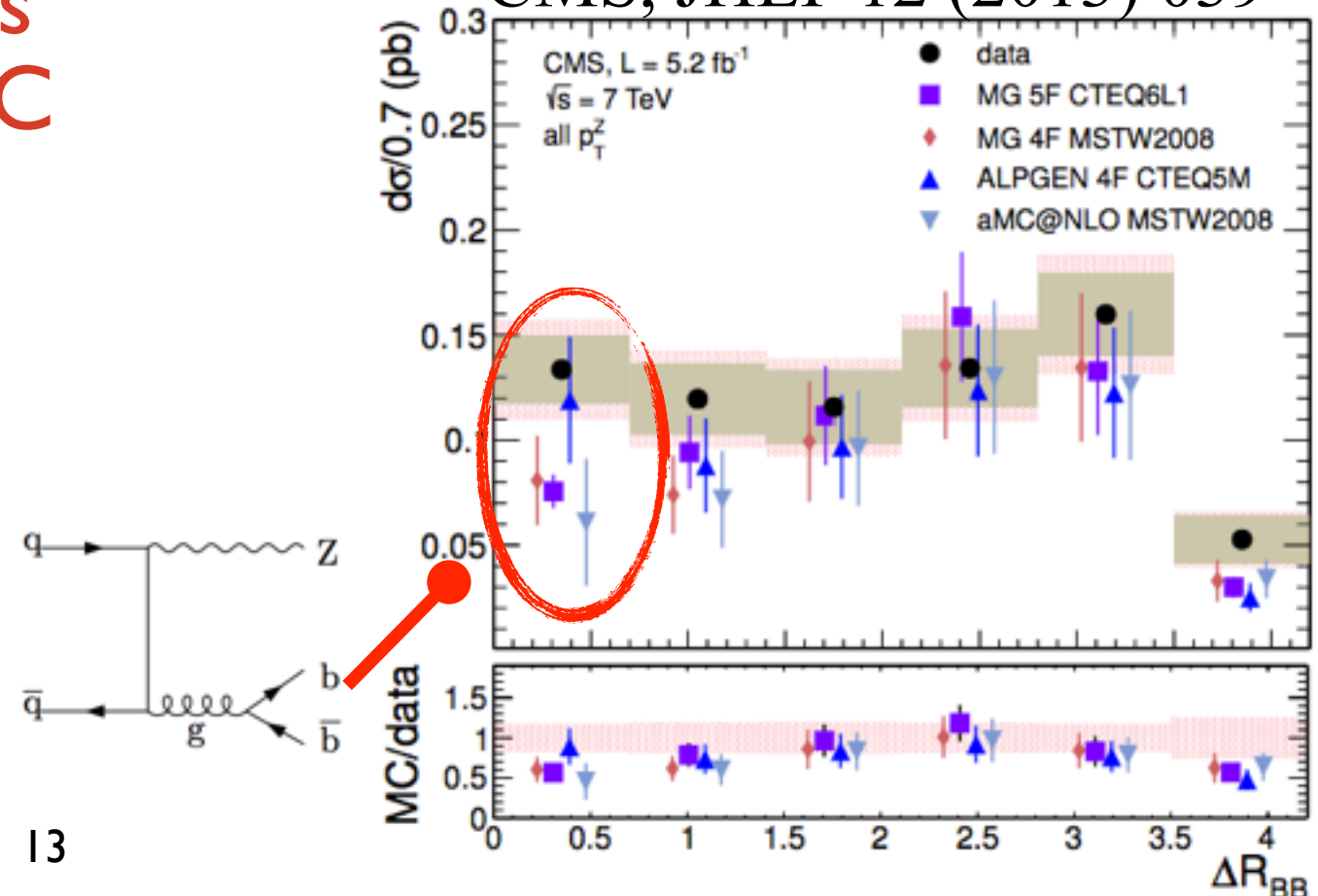
- differential distributions also important

- e.g.  $Z$  + secondary vertices sensitive to  $g \rightarrow bb$  splitting

ATLAS, JHEP 01 (2015) 069  $\Delta\hat{\mu}$



CMS, JHEP 12 (2013) 039



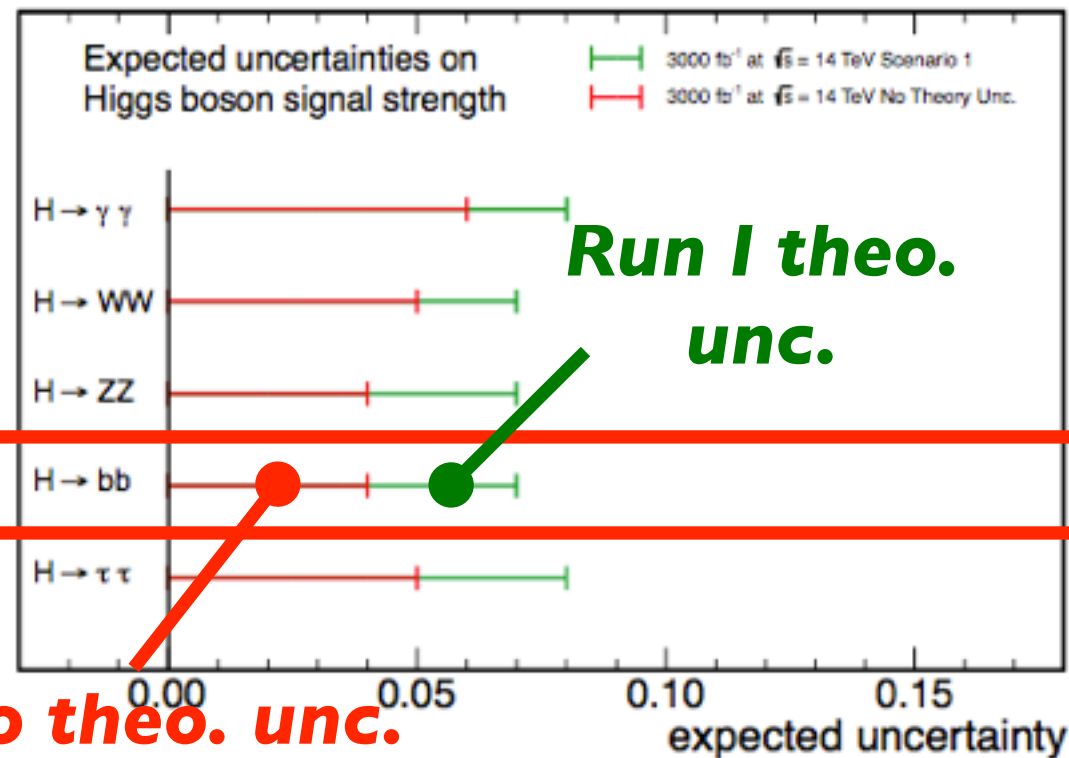


# Projections: HL-LHC

Run I:	exp.	obs.
<b>CMS</b>	2.1 $\sigma$	2.1 $\sigma$
<b>ATLAS</b>	2.6 $\sigma$	1.4 $\sigma$

CMS, NOTE-13-02 (2013)

CMS Projection



**CMS projection:**

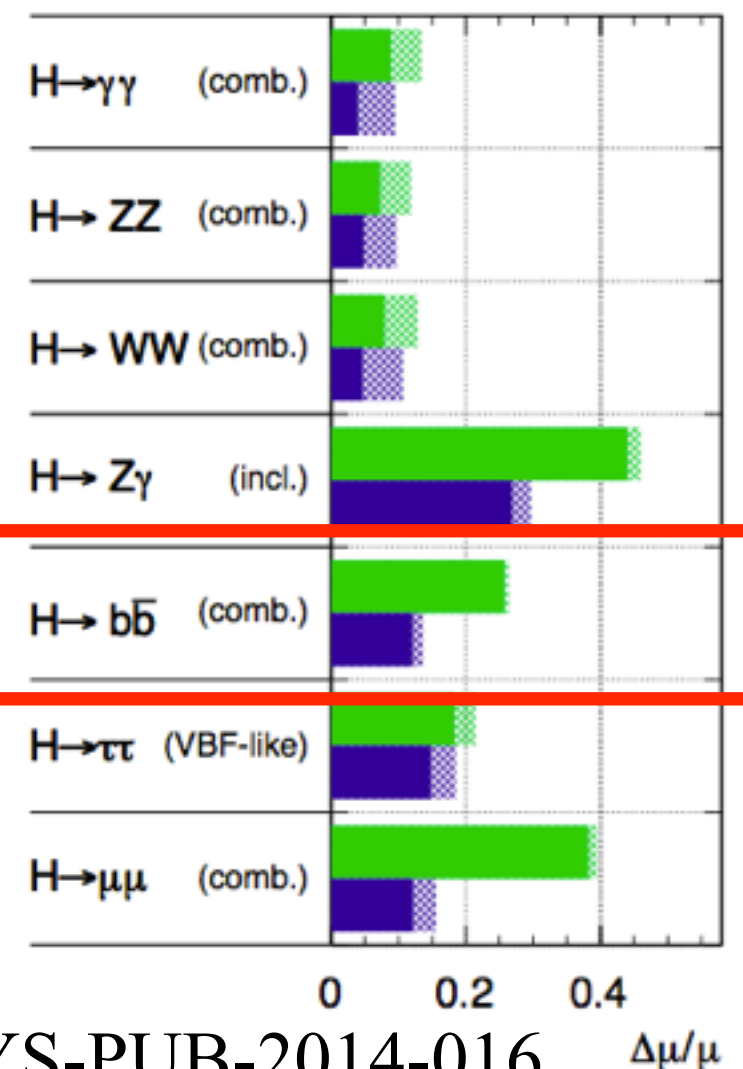
►  $\Delta\mu/\mu$ : 7%  $\rightarrow$  4% w/o theo. unc.

**ATLAS projection:**

- at first sight, different conclusion, but:
  - not best analysis projected (x2 worse than RunI legacy)
  - no Z(vv) channel either
- largest uncertainties from:
  - signal acceptance (PDF, PS, scale)
  - ttbar and W+bb modeling

**ATLAS Simulation Preliminary**

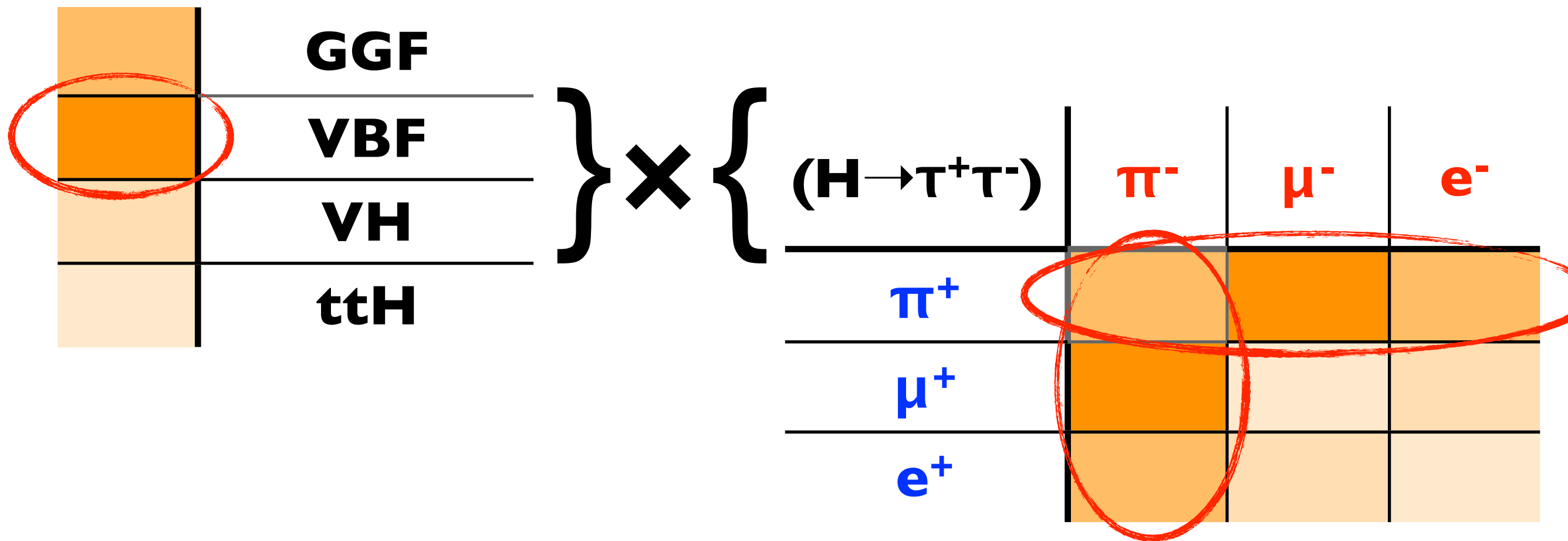
$\sqrt{s}$  = 14 TeV:  $\int \mathcal{L} dt = 300 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  ;  $\int \mathcal{L} dt = 3000 \text{ fb}^{-1}$



*$H(\tau\tau)$  and VBF*



# Sensitivity by production and decay

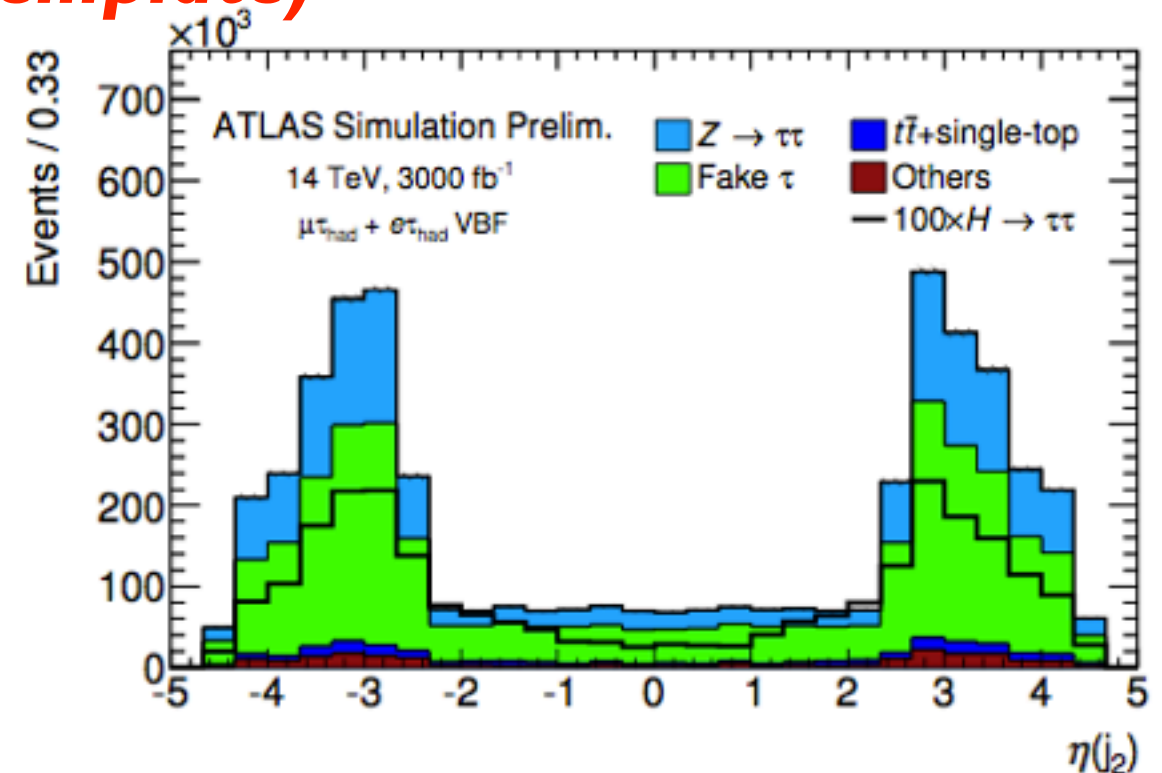
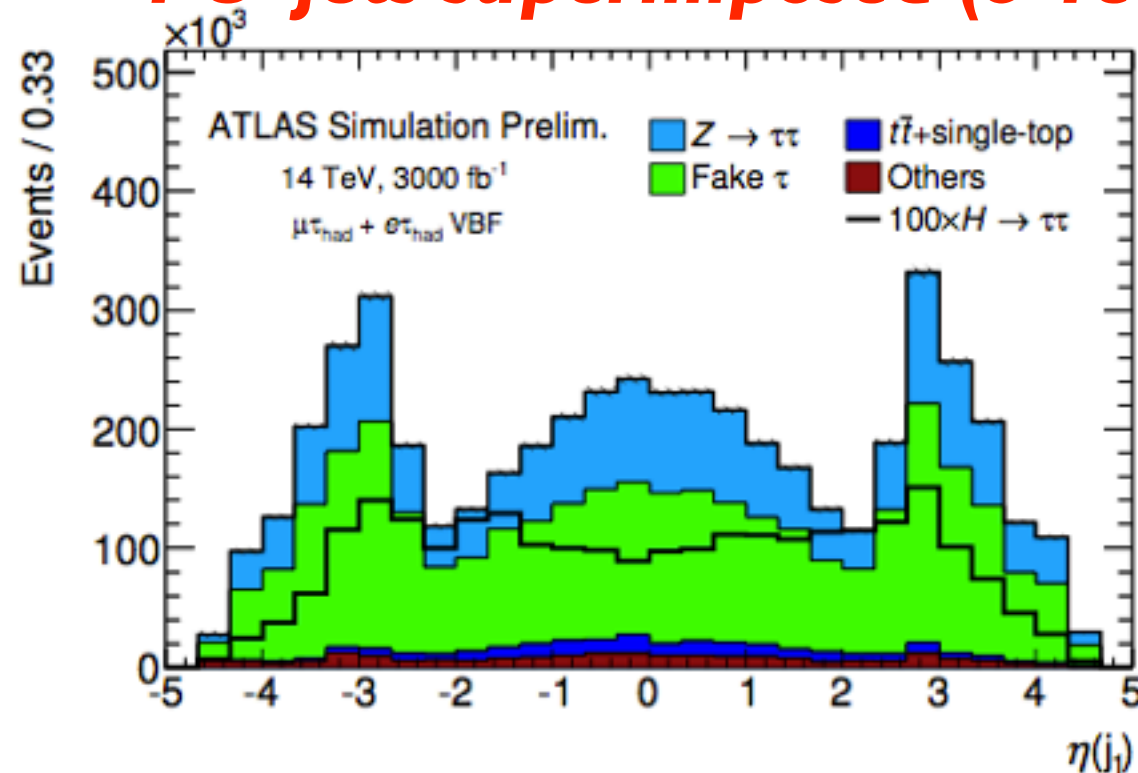


# Experimental challenges: PU jets

VBF-like selection based on forward/backward di-jet pairs

- ▶ fake VBF signature from pile-up jets

**PU-jets superimposed (8 TeV template)**



	Leading jet	Trailing jet
% of events w/ a PU jet as...	42%	72%

**Impact on  $\Delta\mu$  from tracker extension:**

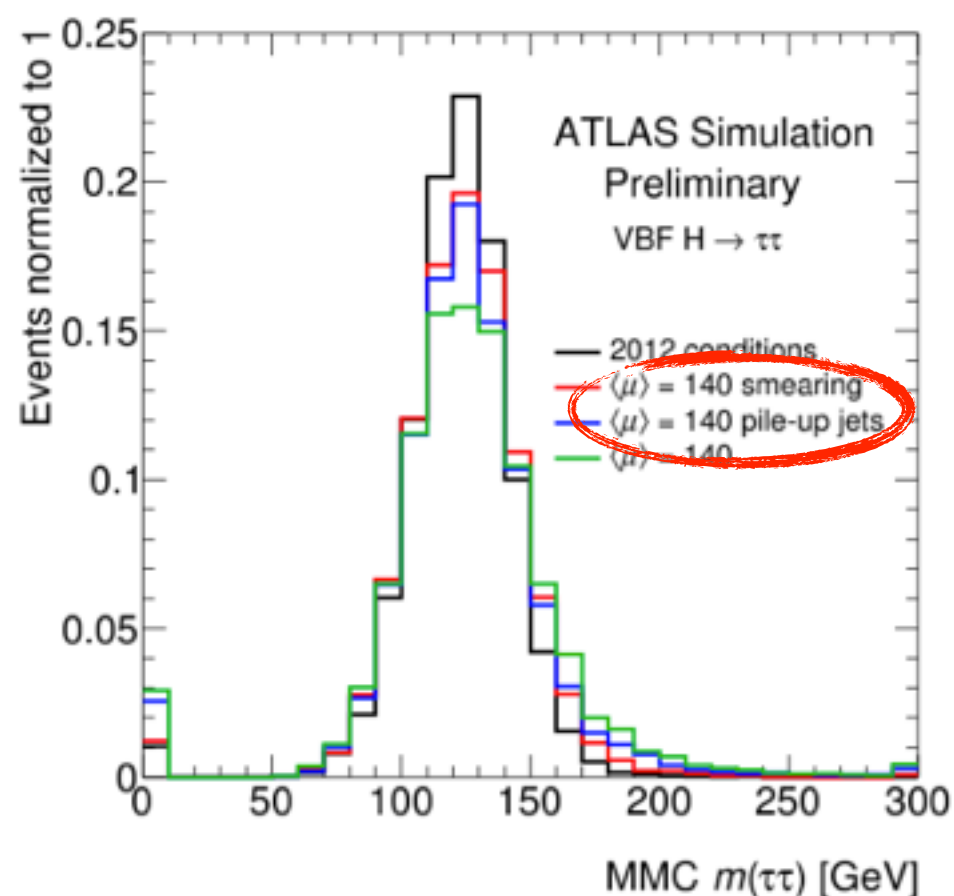
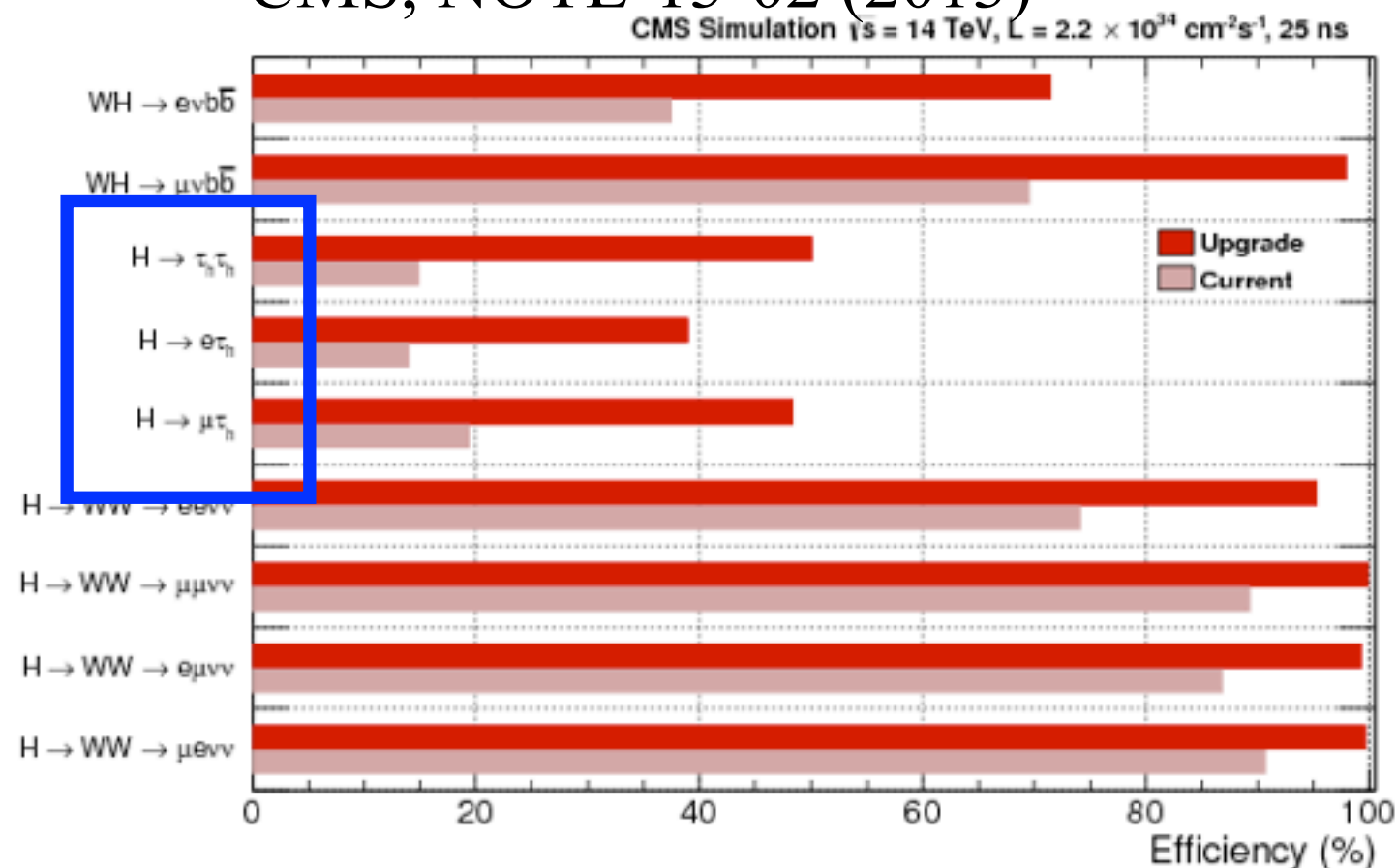
forward pile-up jet rejection	50%	75%	90%
forward tracker coverage	$\Delta\mu$		
Run-I tracking volume	0.24		
$ \eta  < 3.0$	0.18	0.15	0.14
$ \eta  < 3.5$	0.18	0.13	0.11
$ \eta  < 4.0$	0.16	0.12	0.08

# Experimental challenges

## Triggers for $\tau_{l/h}\tau_h$

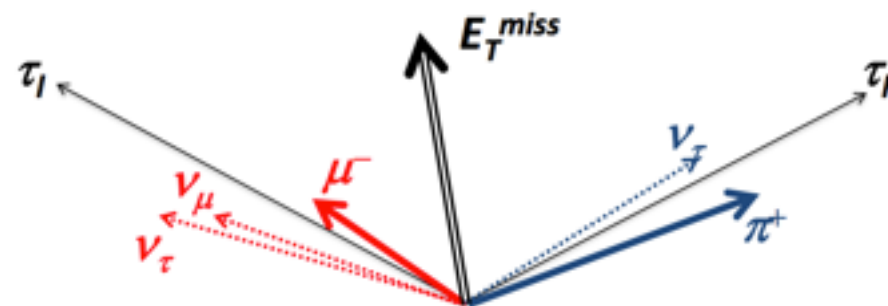
- ▶ visible  $\tau$   $p_T$  soft, but low thresholds challenging due to PU
- ▶ upgraded LI trigger can cope with that

CMS, NOTE-13-02 (2013)



Missing energy used for dynamical  $m_{\tau\tau}$  reconstruction

- ▶ MET resolution degraded by PU ( $\sigma_{\text{MET}} \sim 2$  larger than in Run I)



# Experimental uncertainties

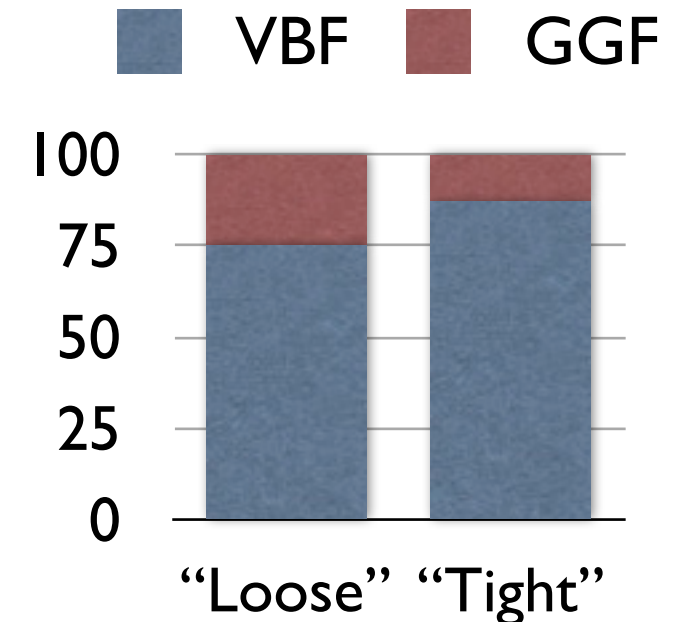
	Object	Process	Method	Projection
Background estimation	Fake taus (jets)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>W+jets</li> <li>QCD</li> <li>ttbar</li> </ul>	Sidebands extrapolation/ fake method	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><math>\sim 1/\sqrt{L}</math></li> <li>Systematics be improved                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>OS/SS ratio for QCD di-jet</i></li> <li><i>OS/SS ratio W+fake off in MC</i></li> </ul> </li> </ul>
	Prompt taus	$Z \rightarrow \tau\tau$	$Z \rightarrow \mu\mu$ embedding	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><math>\sim 1/\sqrt{L}</math></li> <li>O(1%) systematics</li> </ul>
Signal efficiency	Jet Energy Scale	$H \rightarrow \tau\tau$	<i>In situ</i> calibration	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><math>\sim 1/\sqrt{L}</math></li> <li><i>large PU contamination in forward region: boosted <math>W \rightarrow qq</math> ?</i></li> </ul>
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CMS, JHEP 05 (2014) 104  
ATLAS, JHEP 04 (2015) 117

# Theory uncertainties

## The VBF selection:

- ▶ cutting on  $|\Delta\eta_{jj}|$  and/or  $m_{jj}$ 
  - veto events w/  $p_T^{j3} > 30$  GeV
- ▶ ATLAS uses MVA
  - $\Delta\eta_{jj}, m_{jj}, \eta_{j1} \times \eta_{j2}, \dots$



NLO MC	Scale	PDF	Parton shower (PYTHIA vs Herwig)	Generator modeling (powheg vs aMC@NLO)	TOT
VBF	•3% QCD •2% EWK	•3% (incl.) •1% (acc.)	up to 8%	2%	~6%
$gg \rightarrow H$	23%	6%	up to 9%	4÷30%	~30÷40%

$$\Delta\mu_{ggF} \sim \Delta\mu_{VBF}$$

**Increasing with  $|\Delta\eta_{jj}|$   
(high- $x$  partons)**

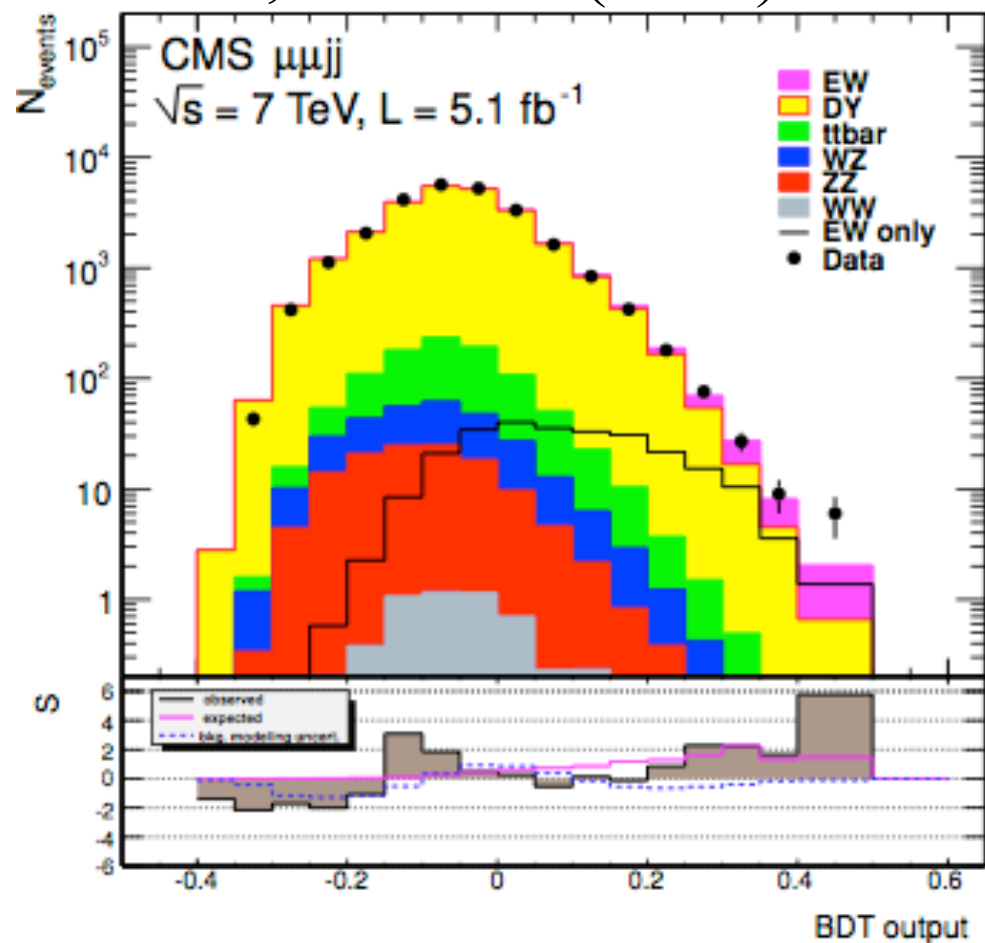
**Sizable model-dependence**

*Tighter VBF cuts will help.*

*Can model dependence be reduced?*

# Can we measure it on data?

CMS, JHEP 10 (2013) 062



$$\sigma_{\ell\ell}^{\text{EW}} (\ell=e, \mu) = 154 \pm 24 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 46 \text{ (exp. syst.)}$$

With  $3000 \text{ fb}^{-1} \Rightarrow O(1\%) \text{ stat. on } \sigma^{\text{EW}}$

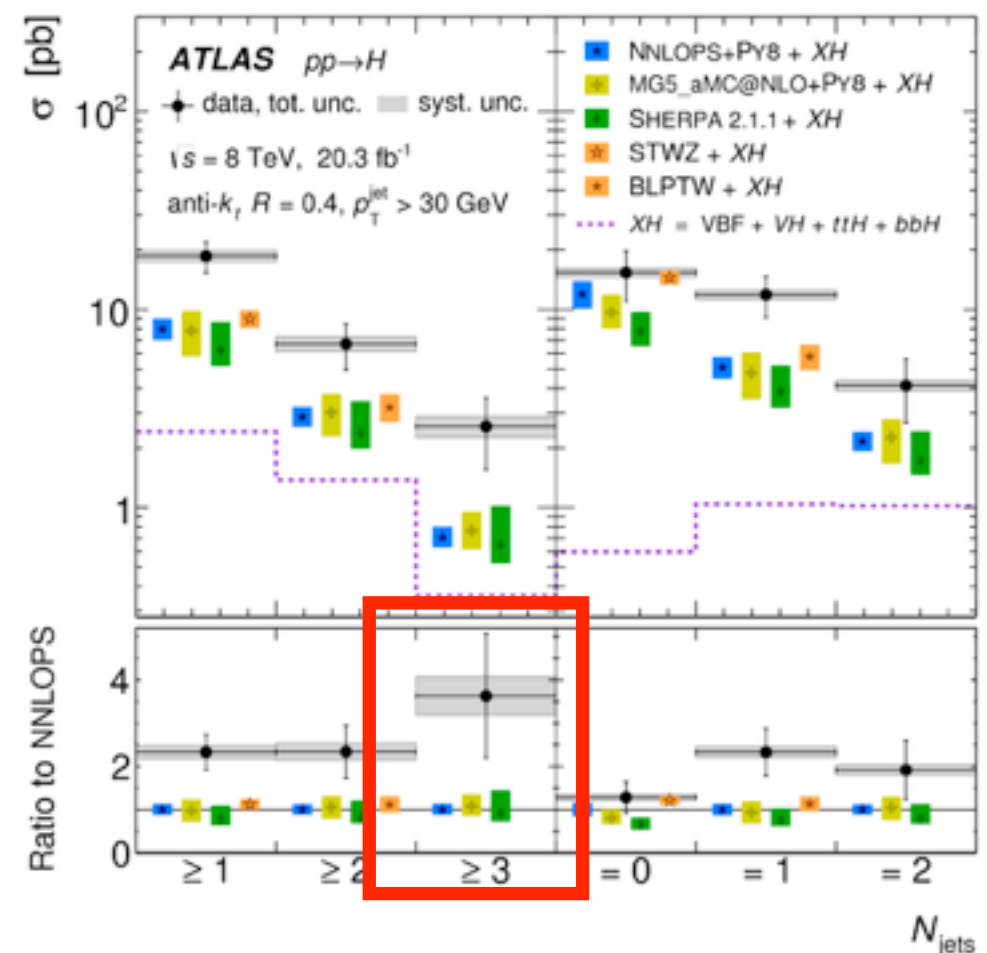
*Can it be used to reduce the theory uncertainty on the signal?*

Differential measurements from  $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma/ZZ$  could help

▶ with  $3000 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ :  $\Delta\sigma/\sigma_{\text{stat}}^{N_{\text{jet}} \geq 3} \sim O(2\%)$

*Extrapolation to VBF-like region?*

ATLAS, arXiv:1504.05833

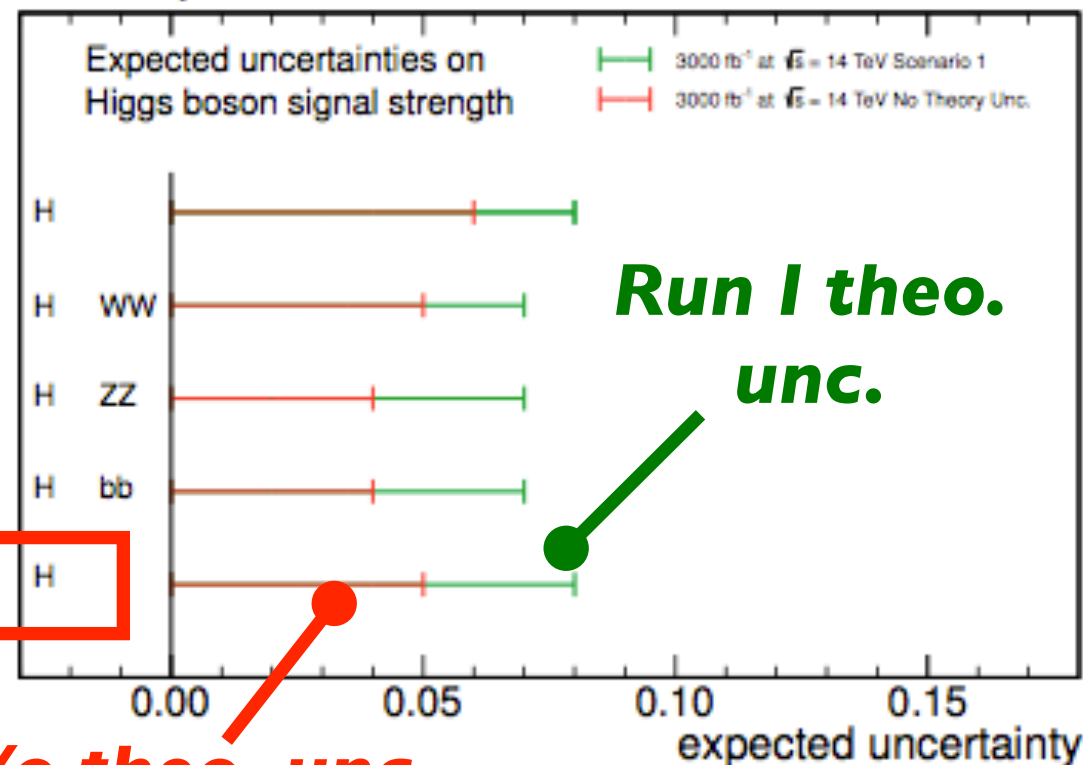




# Projections: $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$

Run I:	exp.	obs.
CMS	$3.7\sigma$	$3.2\sigma$
ATLAS	$3.4\sigma$	$4.5\sigma$

CMS Projection



## • CMS projections:

- ▶ assume same cuts and efficiency
- ▶ same di-tau mass resolution

$$(\Delta\mu/\mu)_{\text{stat.} + \text{syst.}} \sim 5\%$$

$$(\Delta\mu/\mu)_{\text{theor.}} \sim 6\%$$

## • ATLAS projections:

- ▶ consider only VBF  $H \rightarrow \tau_h \tau_l$ 
  - ~2 worse than full result
  - PU jets from 8 TeV template
- ▶ theor. unc. relevant *if* substantial PU mitigation is possible
  - otherwise limited by systematic

		current $\sigma_S^{\text{theo.}}$	no $\sigma_S^{\text{theo.}}$
$\sigma_B^{\text{syst.}}$	$\sigma_S^{\text{syst.}}$	$\Delta\mu$	$\Delta\mu$
10%	5%	0.25	0.24
5%	5%	0.16	0.13

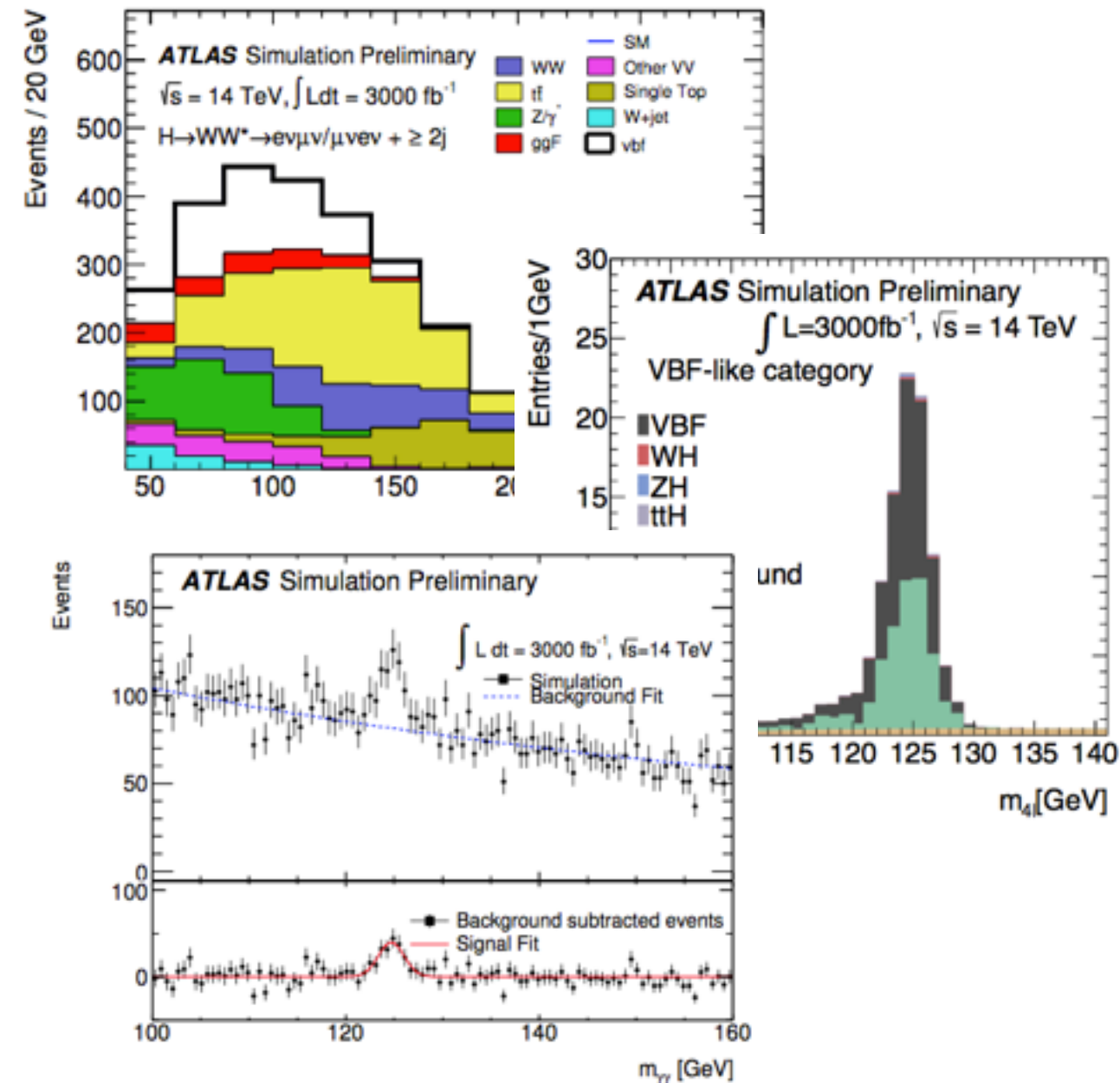


# VBF: other channels

- At least four more VBF-like channels explorable
  - ▶  $H \rightarrow WW^*$
  - ▶  $H \rightarrow ZZ^*$
  - ▶  $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$
  - ▶  $H \rightarrow bb$
- Same conclusions holds
  - ▶ VBF theory uncertainty  $\sim O(6\%)$
  - ▶ uncertainty from ggF contamination eventually dominating

## ATLAS projections 3000 fb<sup>-1</sup>

$\Delta\mu/\mu$	300 fb <sup>-1</sup>		3000 fb <sup>-1</sup>	
	All unc.	No theory unc.	All unc.	No theory unc.
$gg \rightarrow H$	0.12	0.06	0.11	0.04
VBF	0.18	0.15	0.15	0.09
$WH$	0.41	0.41	0.18	0.18
$qqZH$	0.80	0.79	0.28	0.27
$ggZH$	3.71	3.62	1.47	1.38
$ttH$	0.32	0.30	0.16	0.10

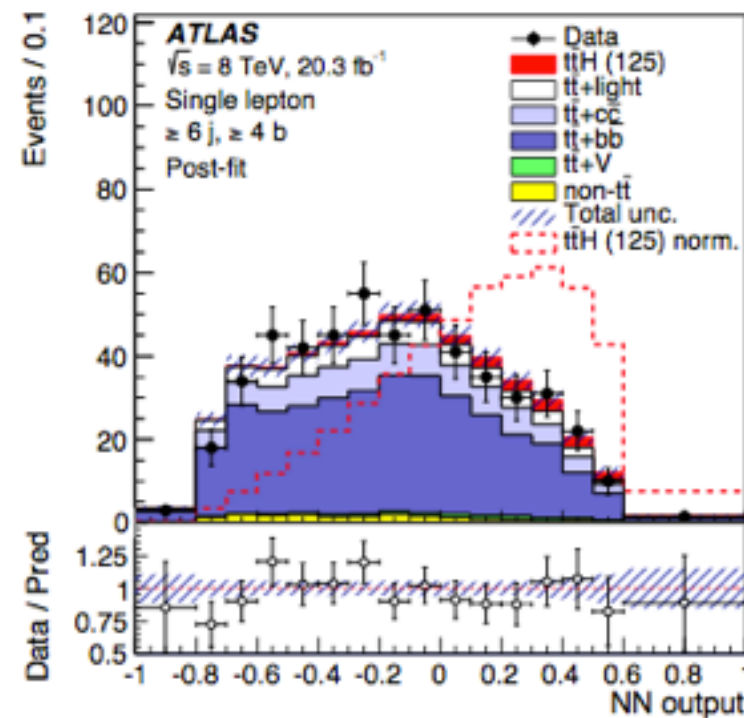


*$ttH(bb)$*

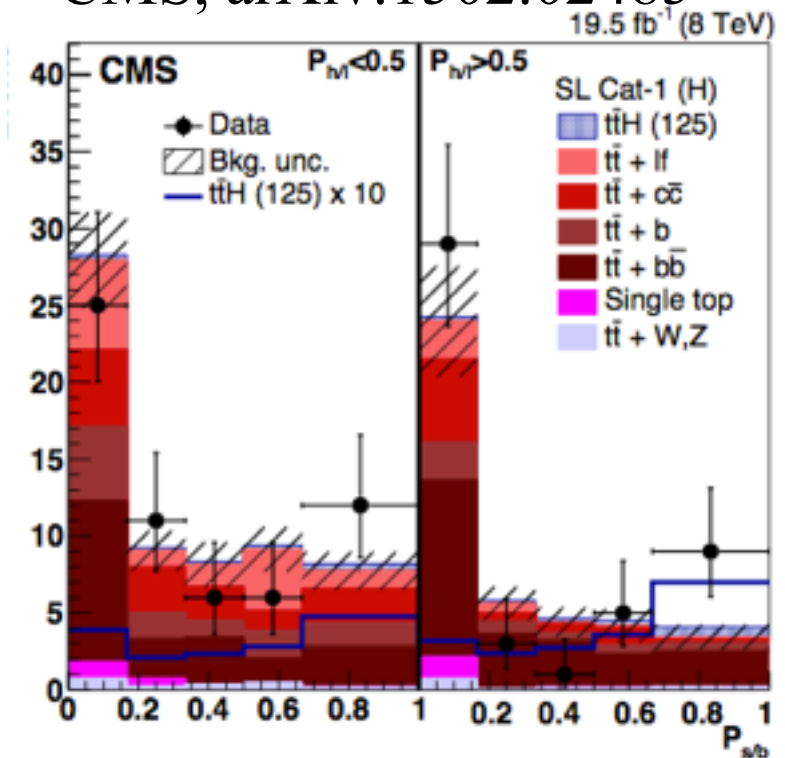
# ttH(bb): analysis overview

- Event categorisation ( $N_{\text{jet}}$ ,  $N_{\text{tag}}$ )
- Signal extraction from fit to NN output
  - ▶ jet-jet correlations
  - ▶ event shapes
  - ▶ jet b tagging
- Matrix element method for ttH/ttbb separation
  - ▶ performing in signal-enriched regions

ATLAS, arXiv:1503.05066



CMS, arXiv:1502.02485



Challenges at HL-LHC

It affects...

Need to...

PU

- smear shape variables
- category migration
- combinatorics ( $\sim N!$ )

deploy PU jet ID to keep low  $p_T$  thresholds

b tagging

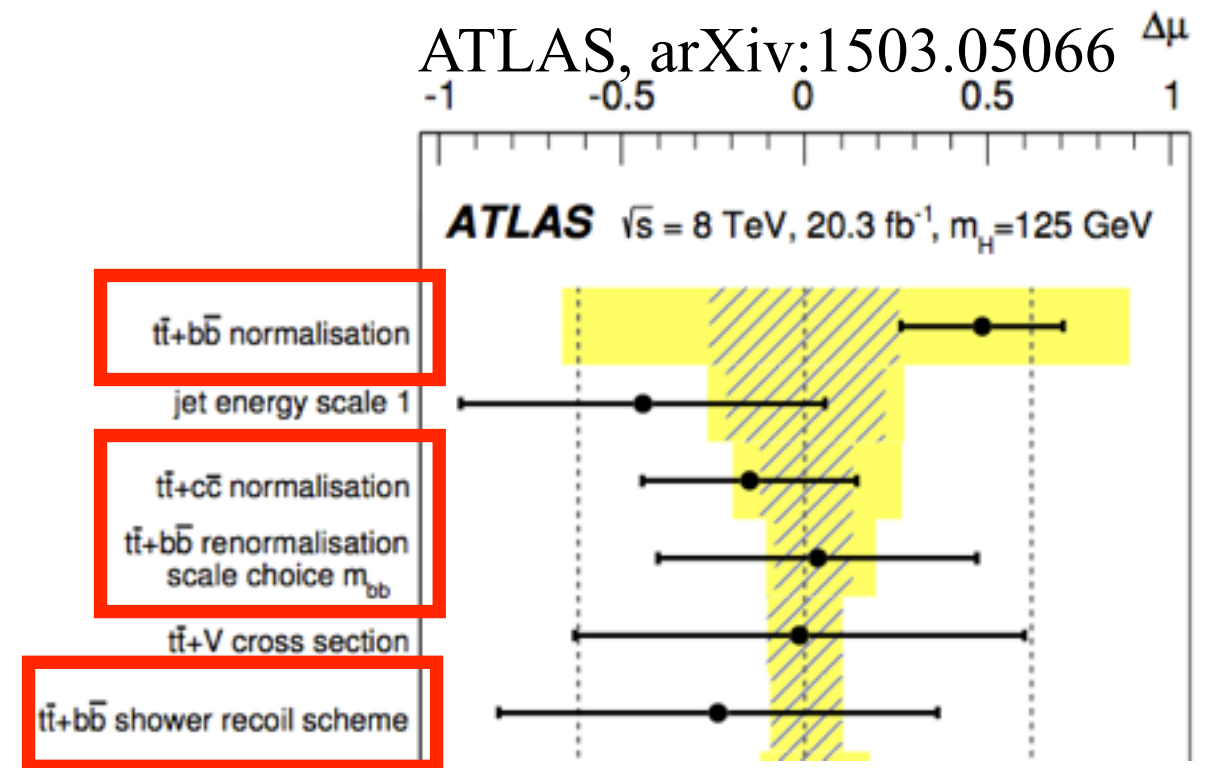
increasing tt+lf bkg  
 $[\sigma(\text{tt+lf})/\sigma(\text{tt+hf}) \sim 50]$

preserve 70%-1% ratio in  $\epsilon_S$ - $\epsilon_B$

# Towards HL-LHC: understanding $t\bar{t}b\bar{b}$

- With the HL dataset:

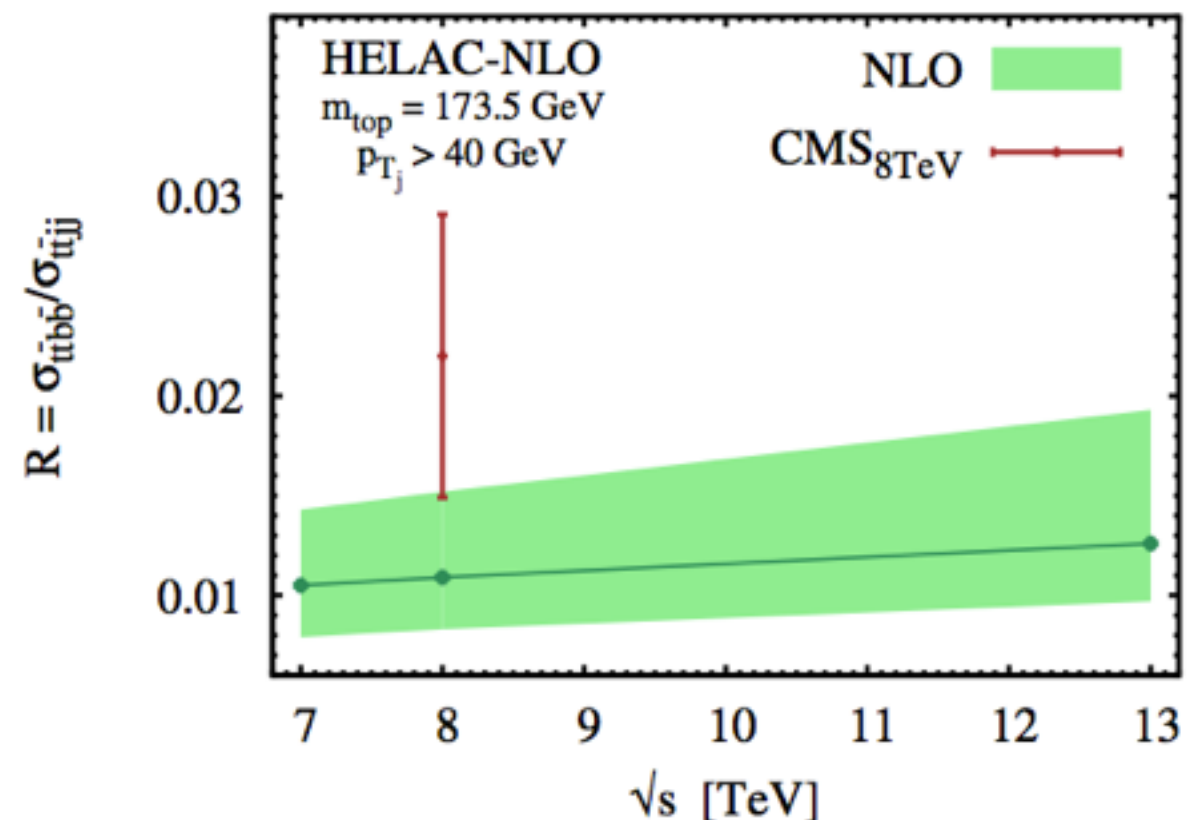
- ▶  $t\bar{t}b\bar{b}$  background limiting factor
  - large negative correlation with  $\mu_{t\bar{t}H}$
  - total rate can simultaneously fit ( $\sim 20\%$  in Run I)
  - shapes from simulation
- ▶ no full NLO  $t\bar{t}+cc$  simulation available



G. Bevilacqua et al., JHEP 07 (2014) 135

- Measurement of  $t\bar{t}b\bar{b}/t\bar{t}j\bar{j}$  ratio

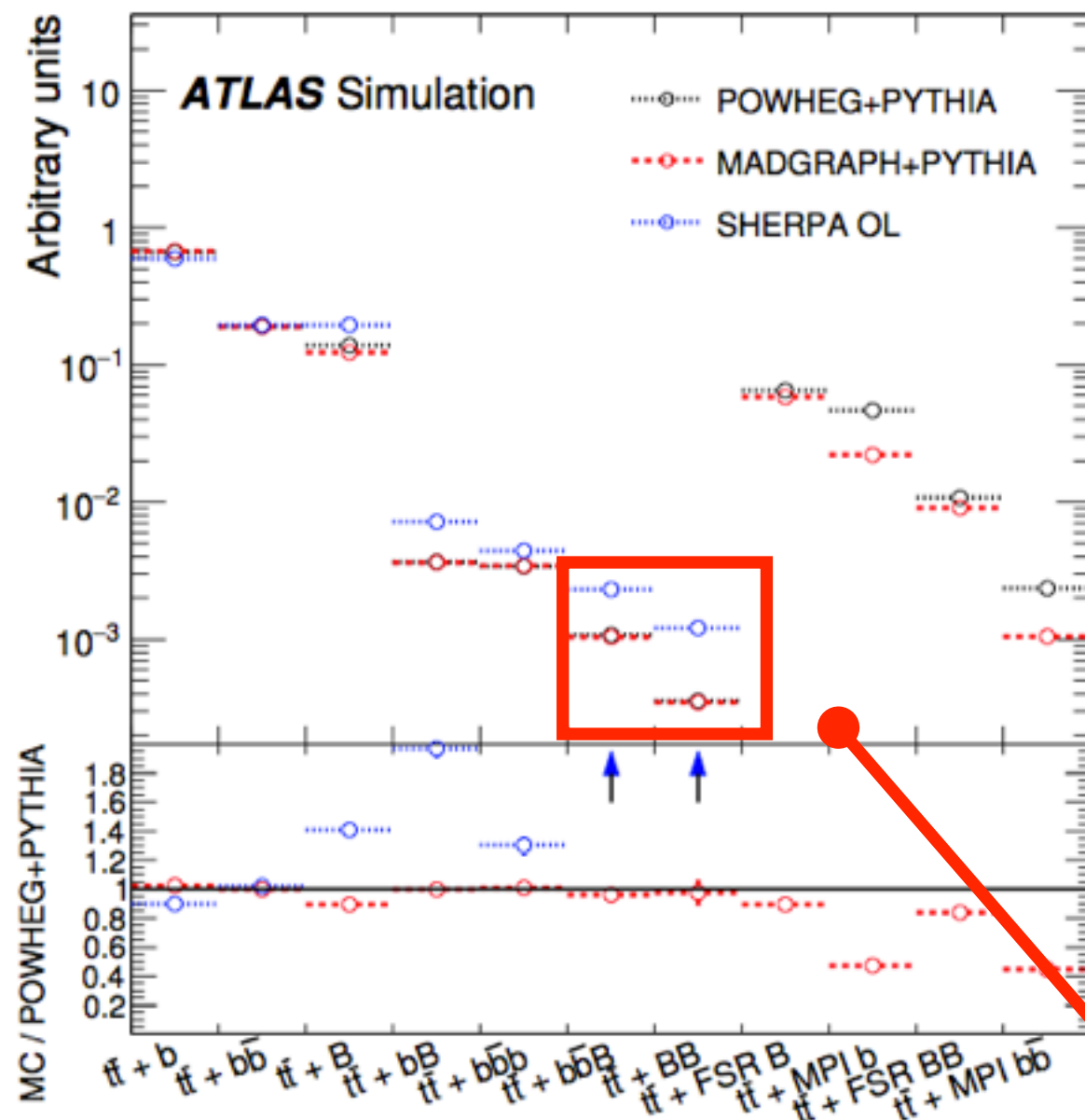
- ▶ some tension with NLO calculations at 8 TeV



Improving on  $t\bar{t}b\bar{b}/t\bar{t}cc$ ,  $t\bar{t}b\bar{b}/t\bar{t}j\bar{j}$   
 theoretical ratios ?

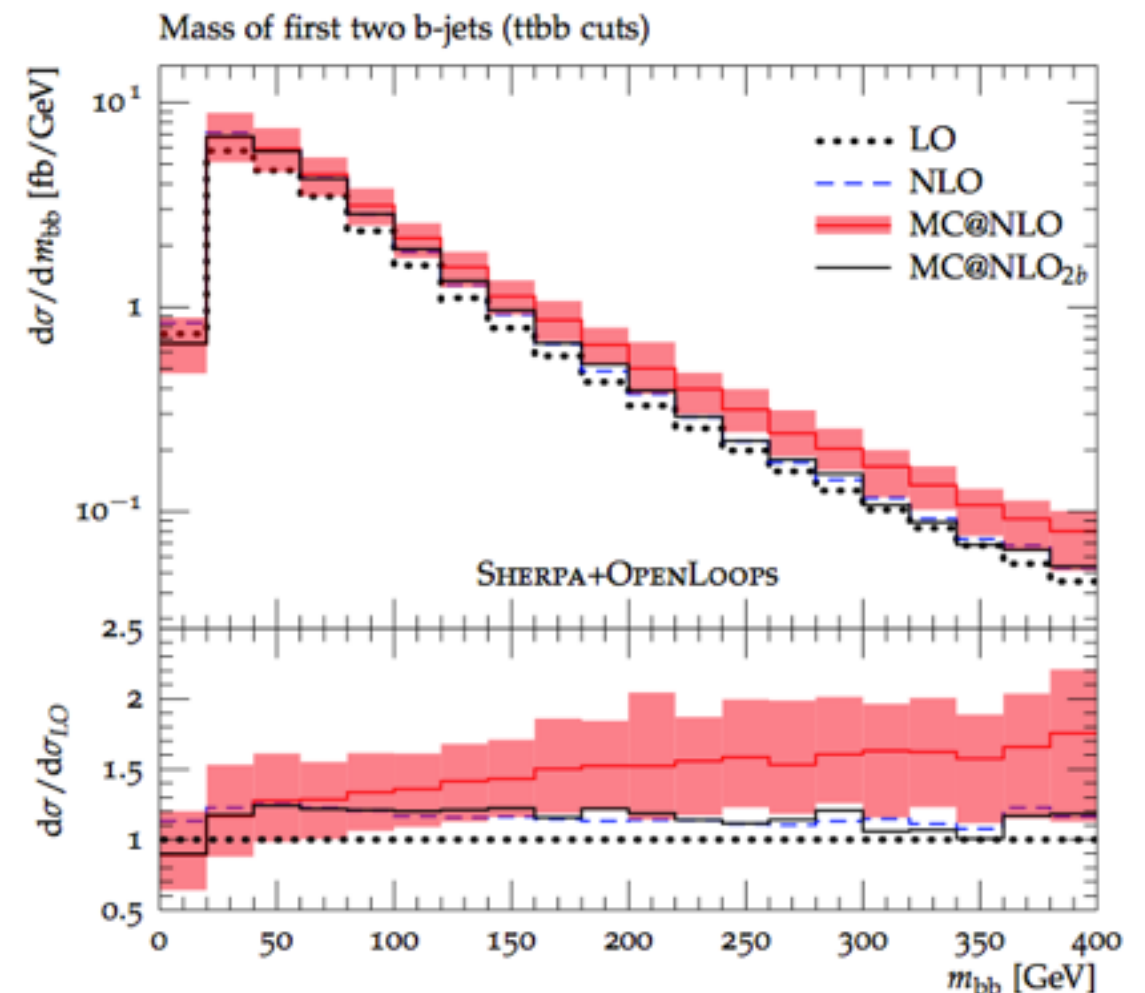
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**Sizable differences in MC modeling persist**



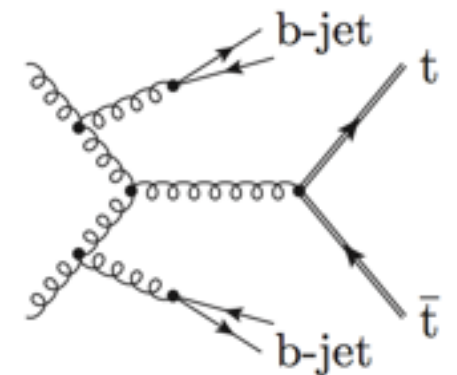
ATLAS, arXiv:1503.05066

**NLO k-factor not trivial in key kinematic variables**



F. Cascioli et al., PLB 734 (2014) 210

**Double-gluon splitting enhanced in SherpaOL (1st -> NLO, 2nd -> PS)**



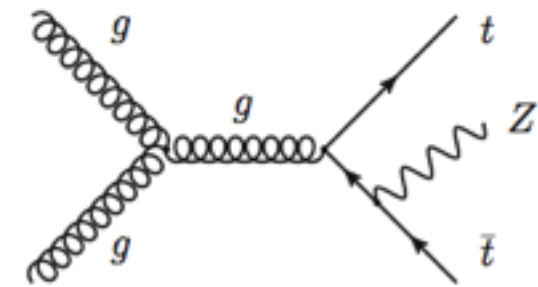
Are  $Z+g(\rightarrow b\bar{b})$  measurements of any help? 27



# Why pursuing H(bb)?

- Sensitivity eventually dominated by  $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$

- ▶ systematics-free
- ▶ projections agree between CMS and ATLAS:
  - eventually limited by NLO  $\sigma_{ttH}$ :  
**-4/+9% (scale)  $\oplus$   $\pm 8\%$  (PDF+ $\alpha_s$ )**



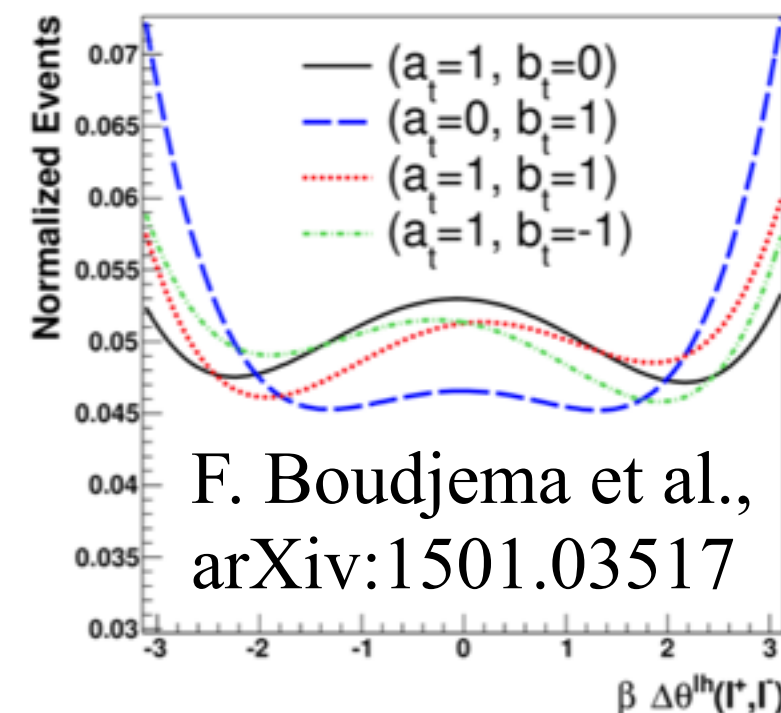
*Can it be measured in  $ttZ$  events ( $\Delta\sigma_{ttZ} \sim 2\%$ ) ?*

## CMS, projection of coupling precision

L (fb <sup>-1</sup> )	$\kappa_\gamma$	$\kappa_W$	$\kappa_Z$	$\kappa_g$	$\kappa_b$	$\kappa_t$	$\kappa_\tau$	$\kappa_{Z\gamma}$	$\kappa_{\mu\mu}$	BR <sub>SM</sub>
300	[5, 7]	[4, 6]	[4, 6]	[6, 8]	[10, 13]	[14, 15]	[6, 8]	[41, 41]	[23, 23]	[14, 18]
3000	[2, 5]	[2, 5]	[2, 4]	[3, 5]	[4, 7]	[7, 10]	[2, 5]	[10, 12]	[8, 8]	[7, 11]

- But:

- ▶ no (best) analyses projected by ATLAS (CMS)
  - check sensitivity from best combined analysis
- ▶ in  $ttH(bb)$ , full top reconstruction possible
  - angular observables from top decays sensitive to CP=-I fraction
  - MEM should be optimal



# Summary (0)

## Understanding the challenges of the challenging channels from Run I analyses

- ▶ some limitations and potential pitfalls already evident



# Summary (I)

## Understanding the challenges of the challenging channels from Run I analyses

- ▶ some limitations and potential pitfalls already evident

- VH(bb):

- ▶ b tagging

- detector upgrade

- ▶ MC modeling of V+hf and ttbar shapes

- reduce dependence on MC modeling (e.g. parton showers)
    - side measurements can prove valuable (e.g. gluon splittings)

# Summary (2)

## Understanding the challenges of the challenging channels from Run I analyses

- ▶ some limitations and potential pitfalls already evident

- $H(\tau\tau)$  and VBF:

- ▶ Trigger efficiency

- LI trigger upgrade

- ▶ PU jets

- mitigation of PU jets in the forward region mandatory

- ▶ Theory uncertainties

- large uncertainty on GGF contamination
    - eventually, limiting factor on  $\mu_{\text{VBF}}$

# Summary (3)

## Understanding the challenges of the challenging channels from Run I analyses

- ▶ some limitations and potential pitfalls already evident

- $t\bar{t}H(bb)$ :

- ▶  $b$  tagging
  - detector upgrade
- ▶ Eventually limited by  $t\bar{t}+hf$  shape uncertainties
  - NLO prediction for  $t\bar{t}+cc$
  - understanding the double-gluon splitting

*Thanks for your attention*

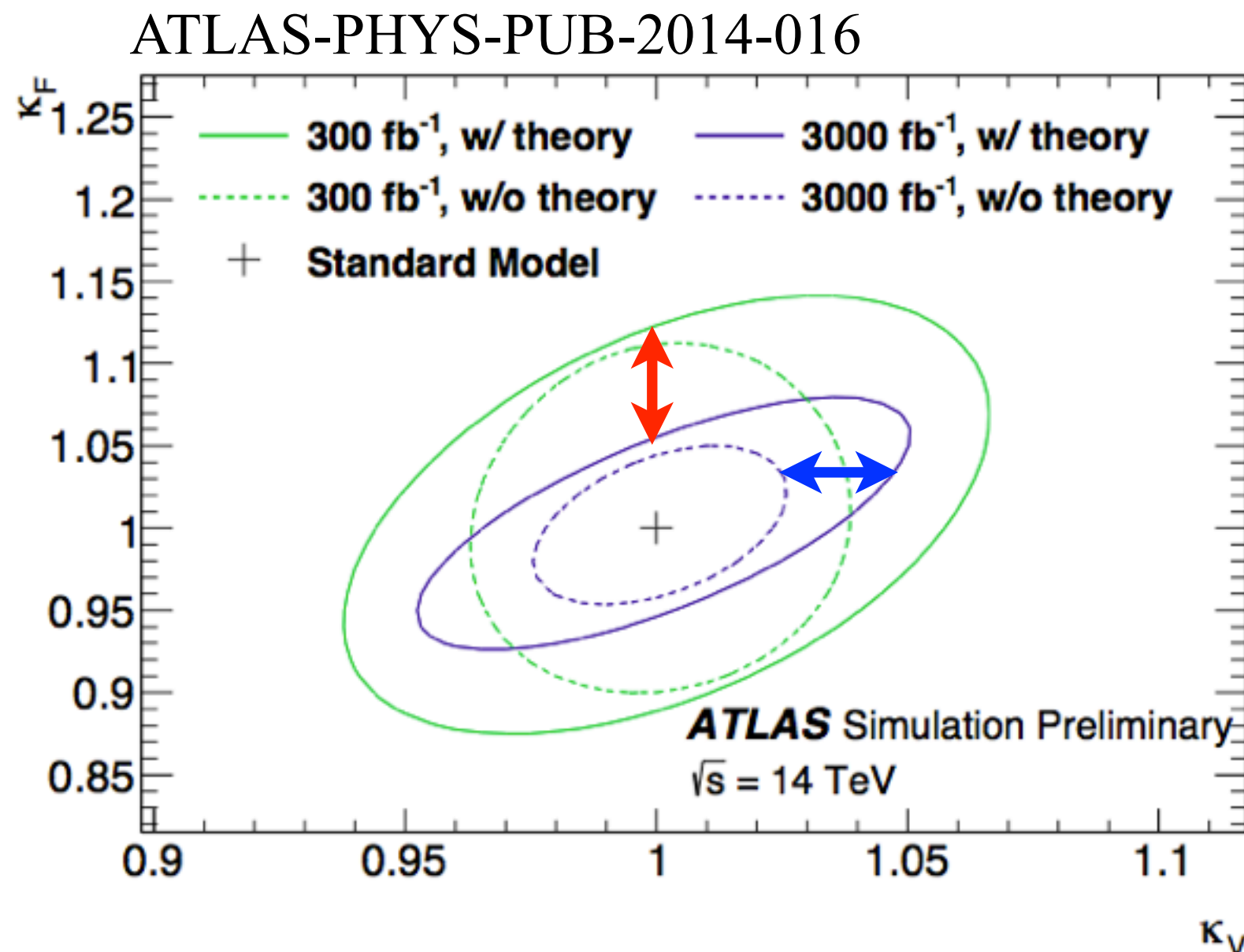
*Back up*

# The HL-LHC

**Can reach  $O(5\%)$  precision on most of the Higgs couplings**

- ▶ necessary (but not sufficient) condition: maintain *detector performances*
- ▶ *luminosity* increase and reduction of *theory systematics* complementary

**coupling to  
fermions**  
 $\Rightarrow$   
**luminosity**



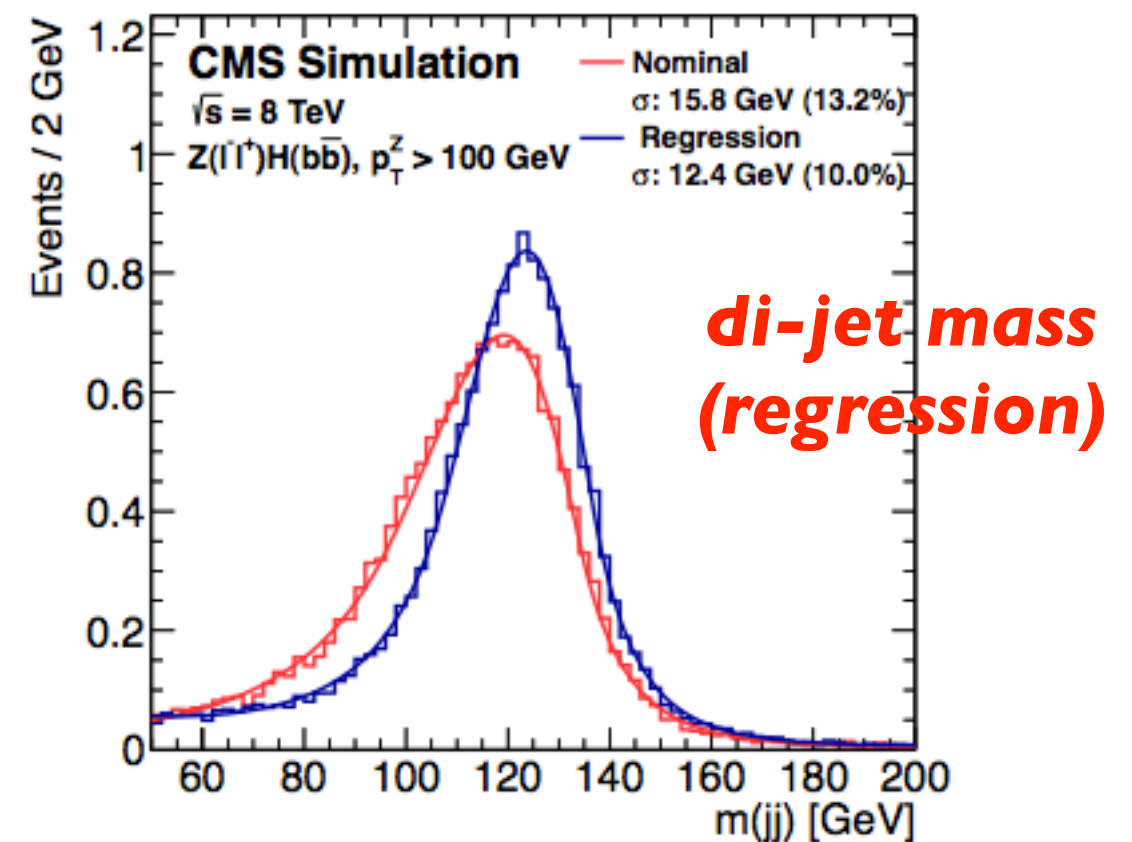
**coupling to  
vectors**  
 $\Rightarrow$   
**theory**

# Key analysis aspects: di-jet mass

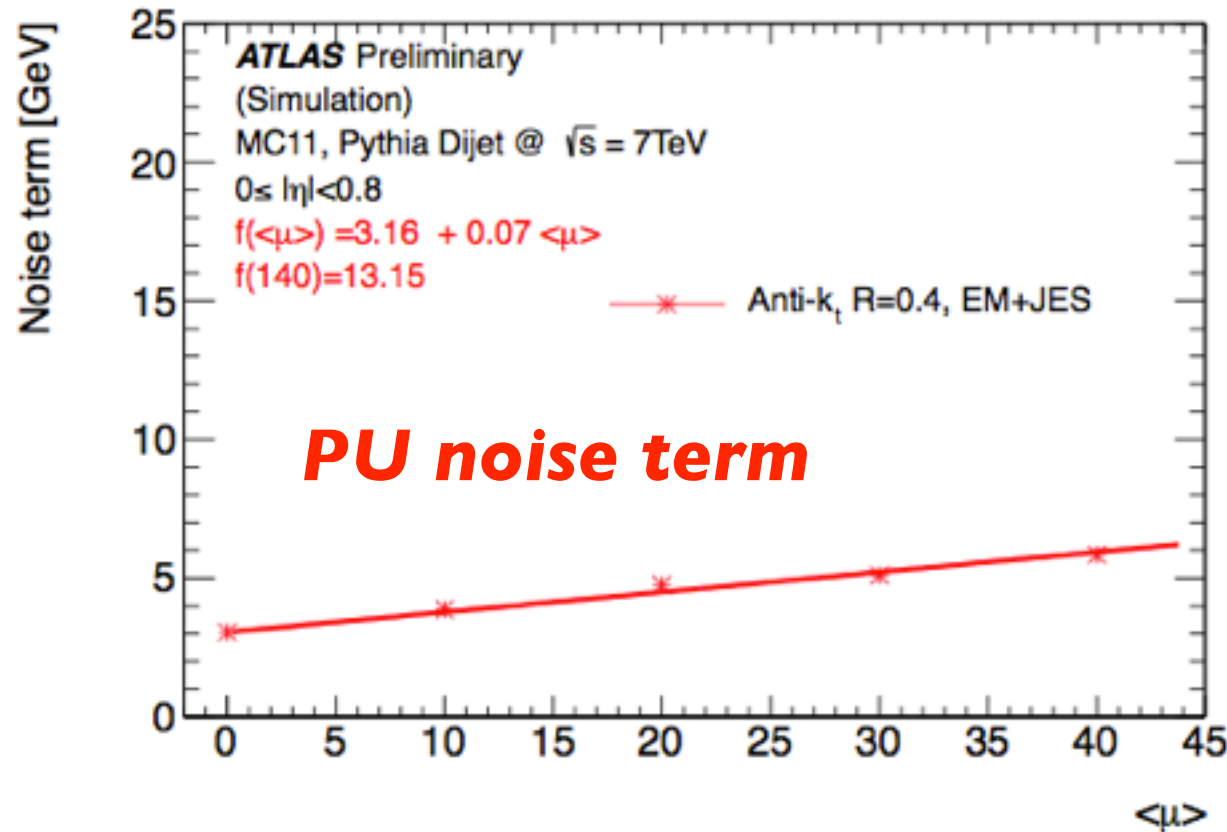
## Di-jet mass peak reconstruction

- ▶ boosted regime [ $p_T > 200$  GeV]
  - bkg suppression & mass resolution
- ▶  $\Delta m/m \sim 10\%$ 
  - kinematical fit / regression

CMS, PRD 89 012003 (2014)



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At  $\mu_{PU} = 140$ :

- ▶ jet energy resolution degraded:
  - relative contribution from PU: **25→32%** for central jets



# Importance of $bb$ channels

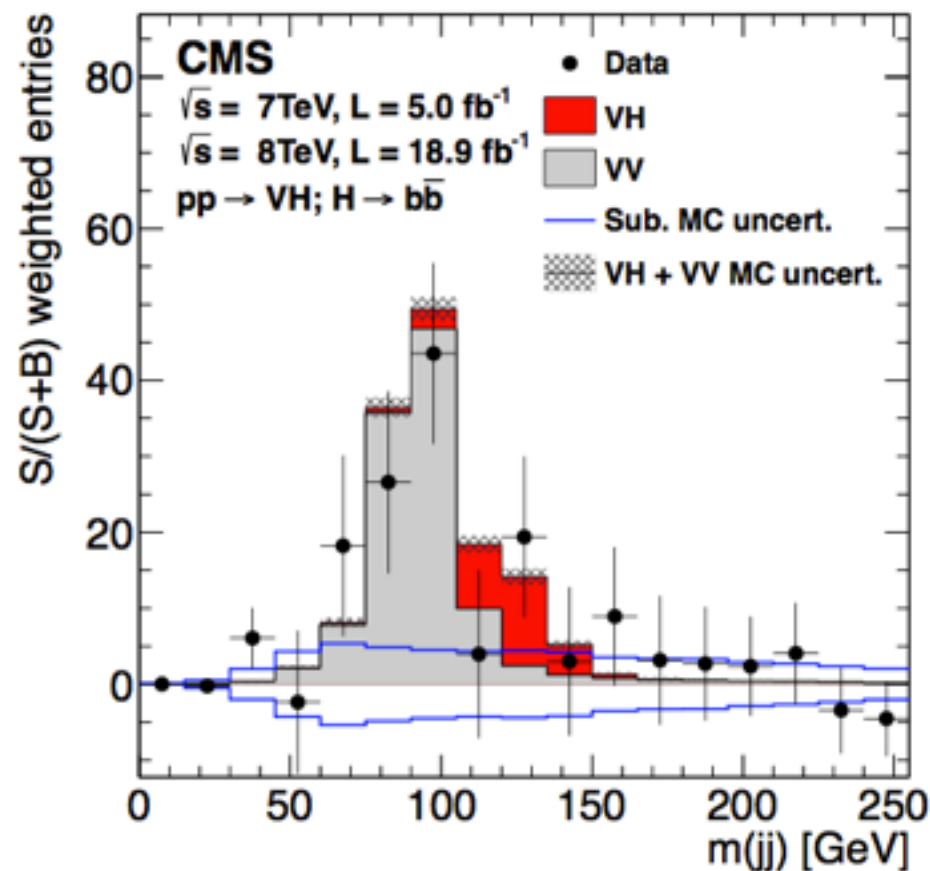
Higgs width dominated by  $\Gamma_{H \rightarrow bb}$

- important to constrain  $BR_{BSM}$

$$\kappa_H^2(\kappa_i, m_H) = \frac{\sum_{j=WW^{(*)}, ZZ^{(*)}, b\bar{b}, \tau^+\tau^-, \gamma\gamma, Z\gamma, gg, tt, cc, \mu^+\mu^+} \Gamma_j(\kappa_i, m_H)}{\Gamma_H^{SM}(m_H)}$$

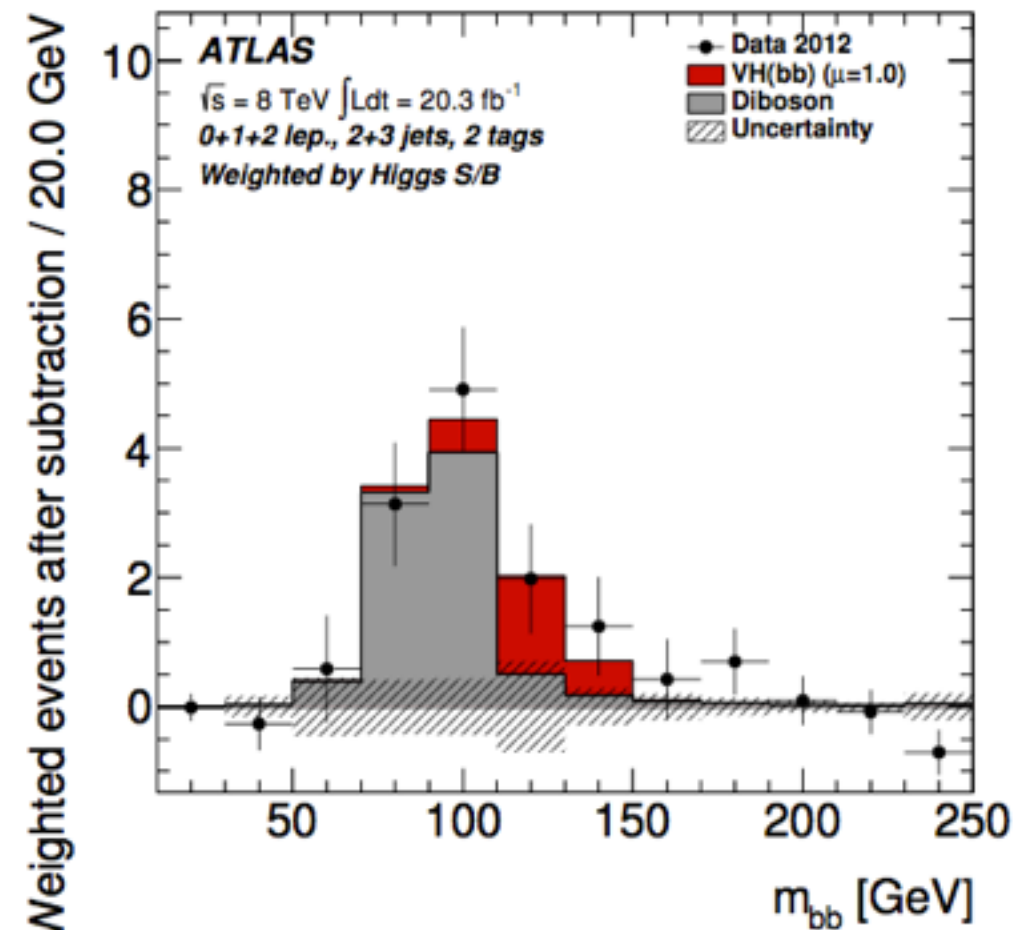
$\approx 60\%$

CMS, PRD 89 012003 (2014)



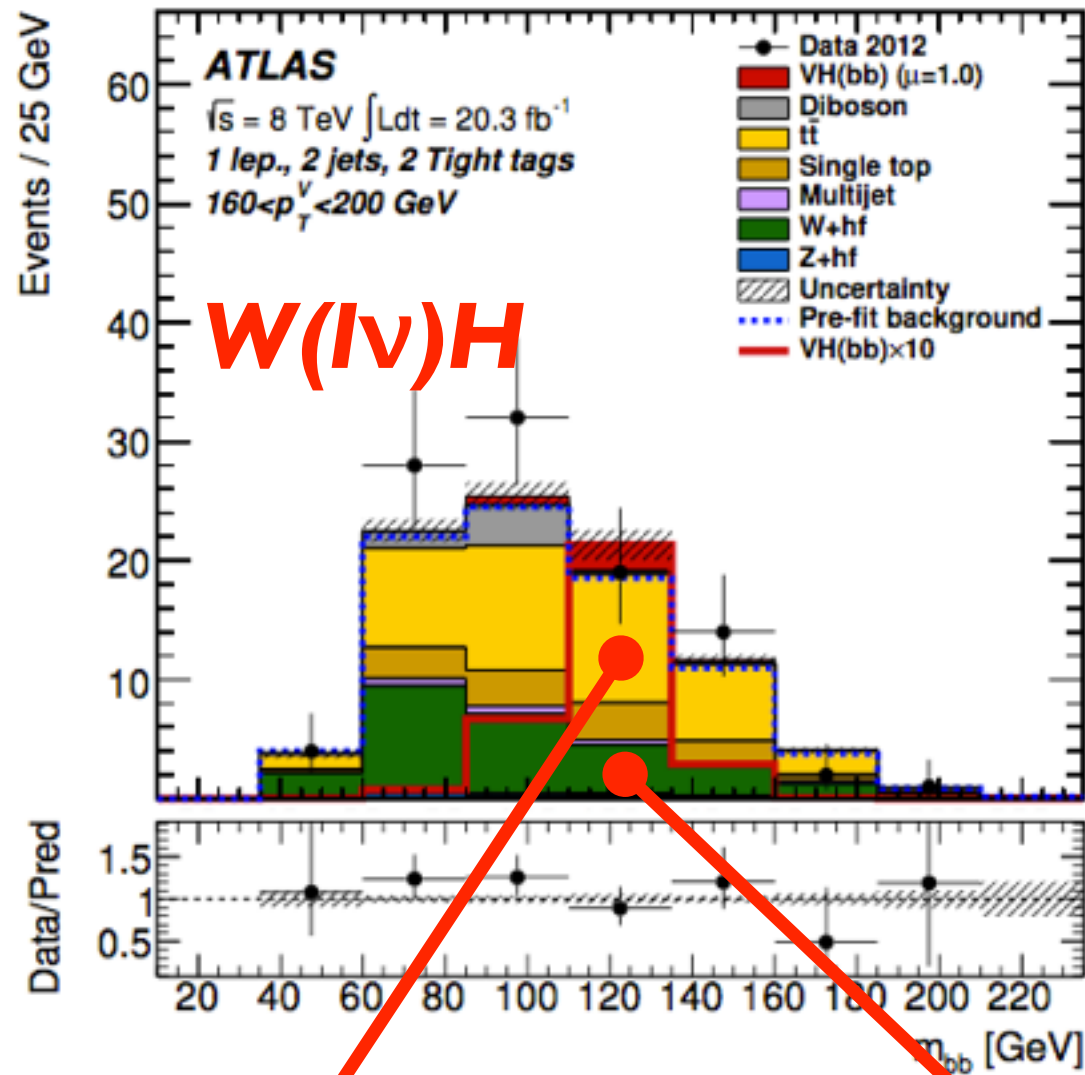
Channel	Run I (exp)
$gg \rightarrow H$	-
VBF	$< 1\sigma$
VH	$2.5\sigma$
$t\bar{t}H$	$1\sigma$

ATLAS, JHEP 01 (2015) 069



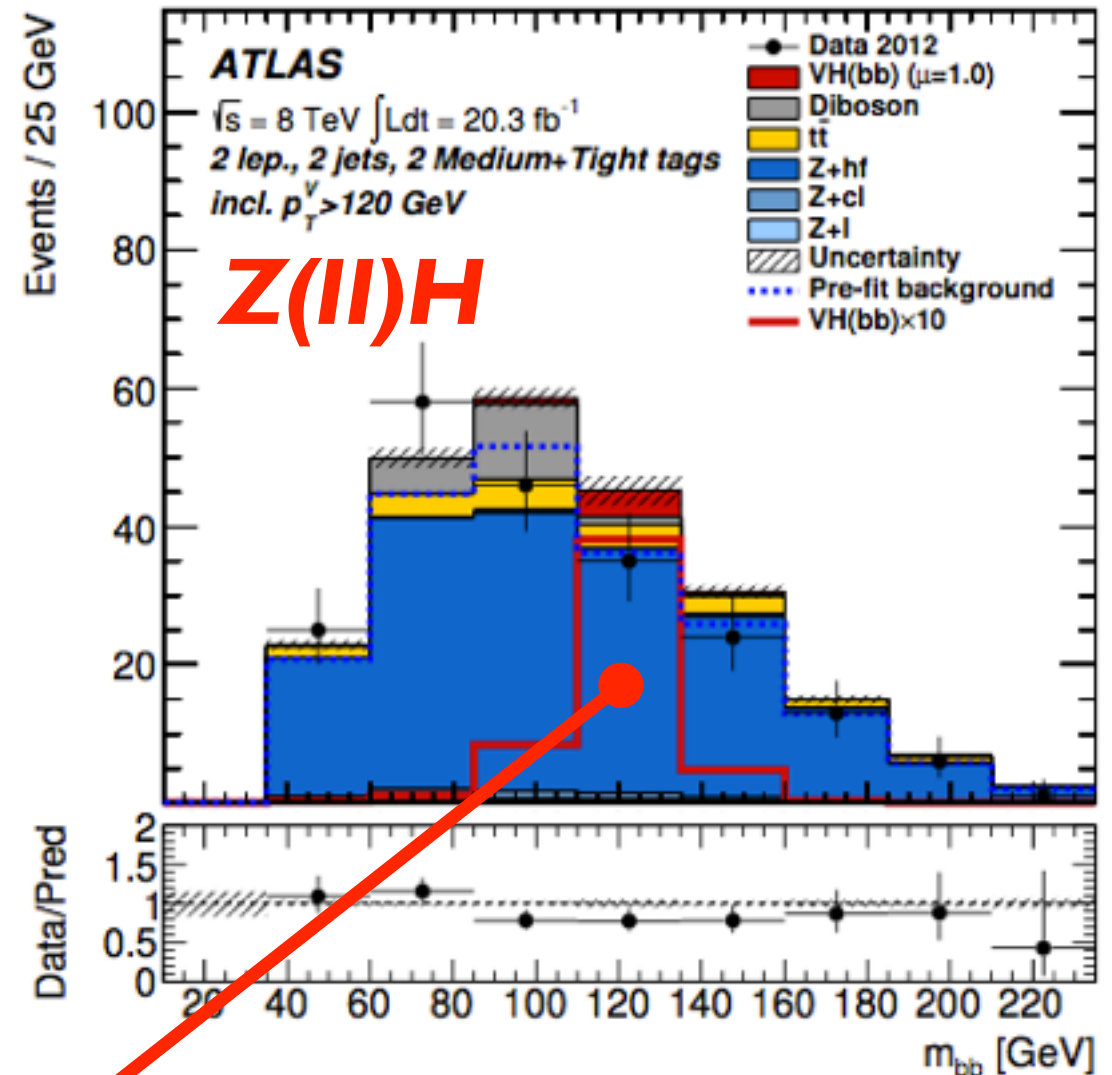
# VH(bb): main SM backgrounds

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Top-pairs

- ▶ four-fold increase in top pairs at 14 TeV



V+jets

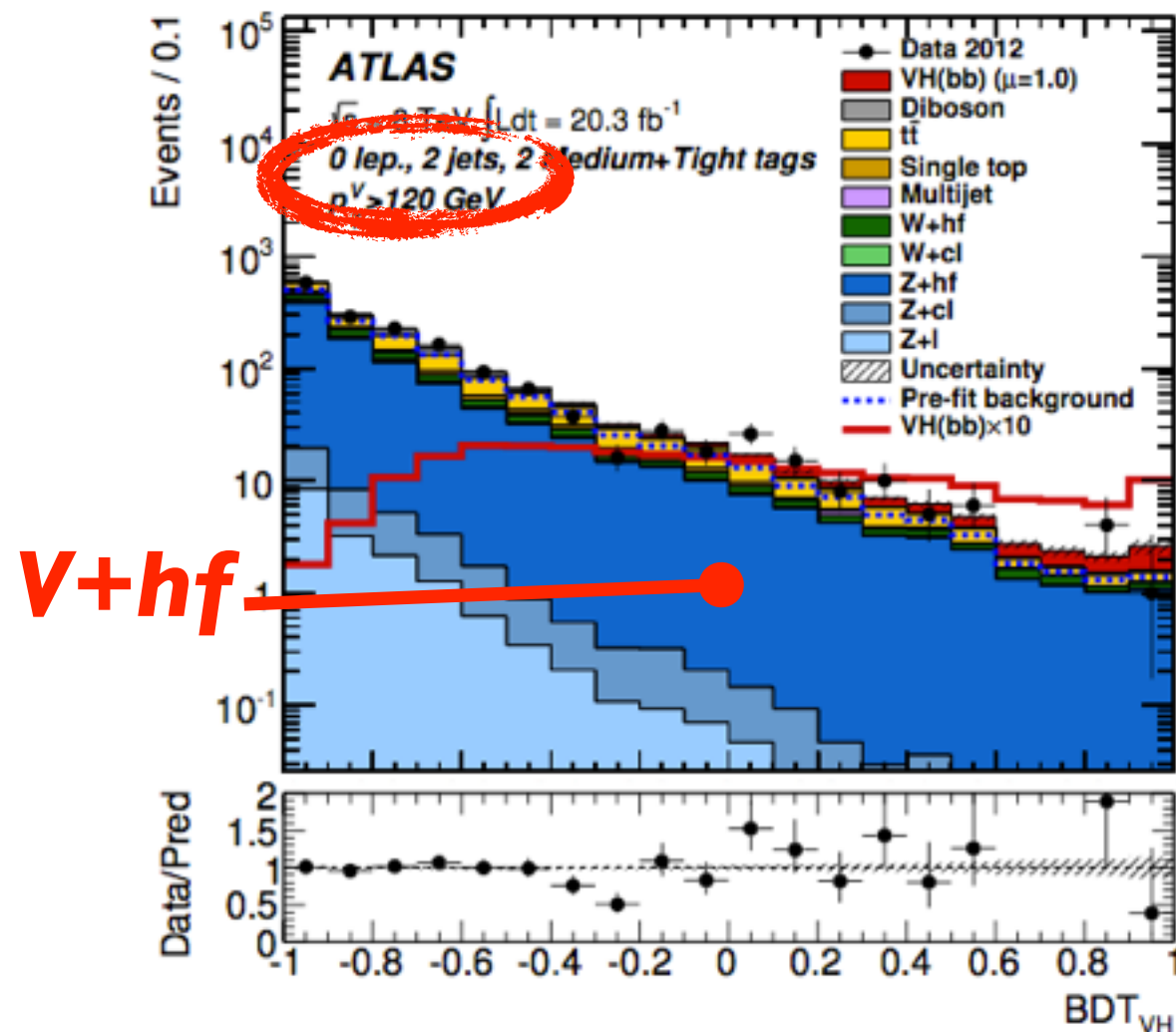
- ▶ mixed flavour composition

**Rates estimated from sidebands**

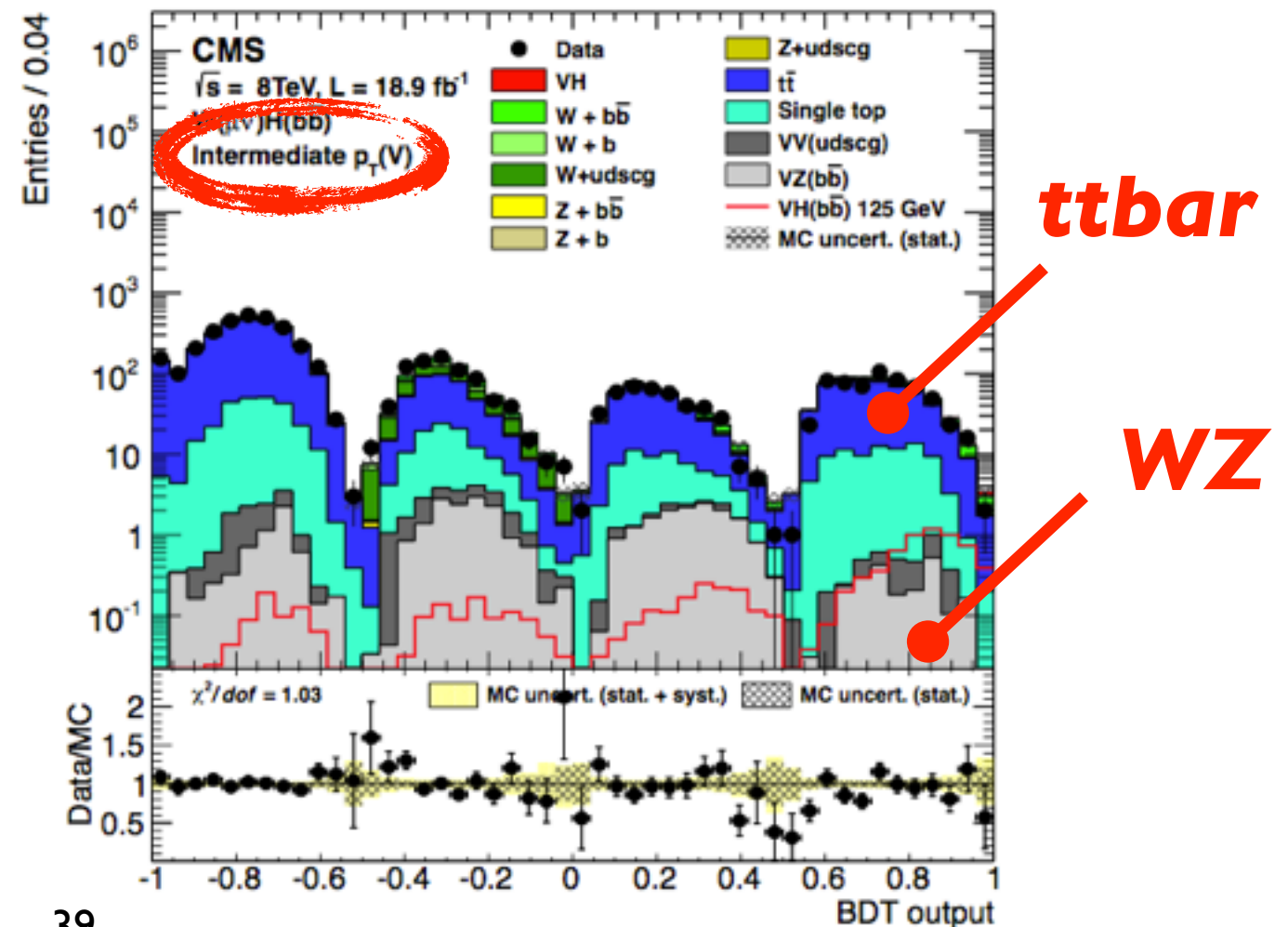
# Analysis overview

- Phase-space slicing by  $p_T^V$  and/or  $N_{\text{jet}}$ 
  - ▶ enhance sensitivity to higher-order corrections (Higgs  $p_T$  and jet radiation)
- Main backgrounds: **V+h.f., ttbar, diboson**
- MVA approach for maximal S/B
  - ▶ modeling of differential distributions & correlations

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CMS, PRD 89 01 (2014) 012003



# The Run I analysis

- Categorise events by  $p_T^V$  and  $N_{\text{jet}}$ 
  - ▶ enhance signal acceptance sensitivity to higher-order corrections
- Main backgrounds:  $V+h.f.$ ,  $t\bar{t}$ bar, diboson
  - ▶ increase separation by BDT

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	Variable	0-Lepton	1-Lepton	2-Lepton
<b>Vector <math>p_T</math></b>	$p_T^V$		×	×
	$E_T^{\text{miss}}$	×	×	×
	$p_T^{b_1}$	×	×	×
	$p_T^{b_2}$	×	×	×
<b>jet-jet correlations</b>	$m_{bb}$	×	×	×
	$\Delta R(b_1, b_2)$	×	×	×
	$ \Delta\eta(b_1, b_2) $	×		×
	$\Delta\phi(V, bb)$	×	×	×
	$ \Delta\eta(V, bb) $			×
<b>jet-V correlations</b>	$H_T$	×		
	$\min[\Delta\phi(\ell, b)]$		×	
	$m_T^W$		×	
	$m_{\ell\ell}$			×
	$MV1c(b_1)$	×	×	×
	$MV1c(b_2)$	×	×	×
Only in 3-jet events				
	$p_T^{\text{jet}_3}$	×	×	×
	$m_{bbj}$	×	×	×

\* CMS also uses  $N_{\text{jet}}$

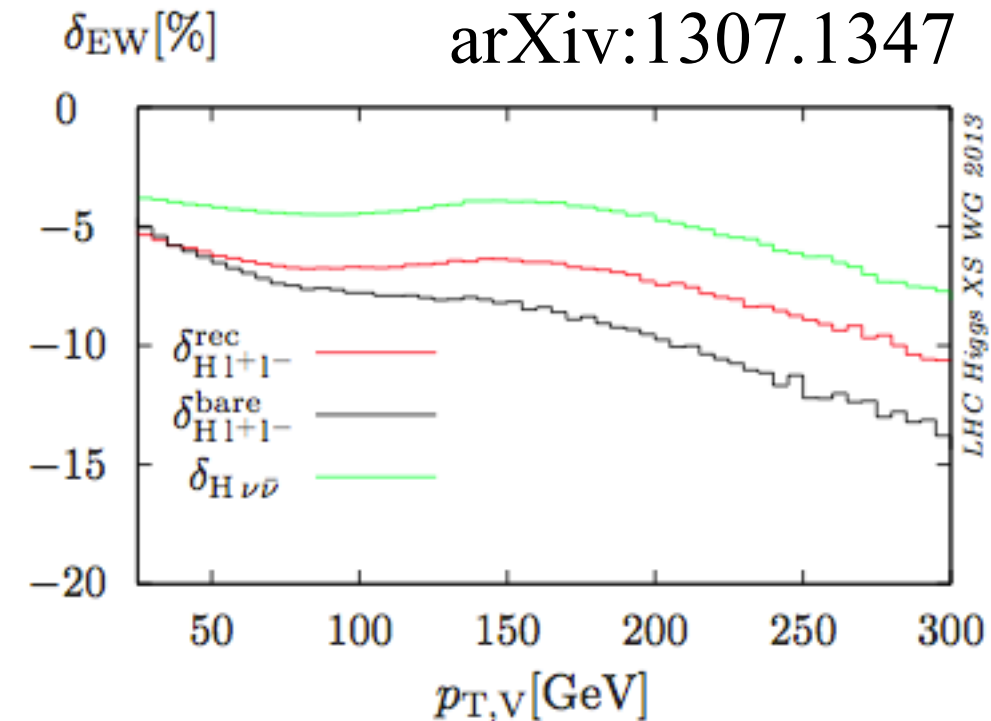


# Theory uncertainties: **VH**

LHCXSWG,  
arXiv:1307.1347

**NLO MCs reweighted to best accuracy:**

QCD	qqVH	NNLO	fully differential
	ggZH	NLO	inifinite-top mass
EWK	NLO		factorised



ATLAS, JHEP 01 (2015) 069

Signal	
Cross section (scale)	1% ( $q\bar{q}$ ) 50% ( $gg$ )
Cross section (PDF)	2.4% ( $q\bar{q}$ ) 17% ( $gg$ )
Branching ratio	3.3 %
Acceptance (scale)	1.5%–3.3%
3-jet acceptance (scale)	3.3%–4.2%
$p_T^V$ shape (scale)	S
Acceptance (PDF)	2%–5%
$p_T^V$ shape (NLO EW correction)	S
Acceptance (parton shower)	8%–13%

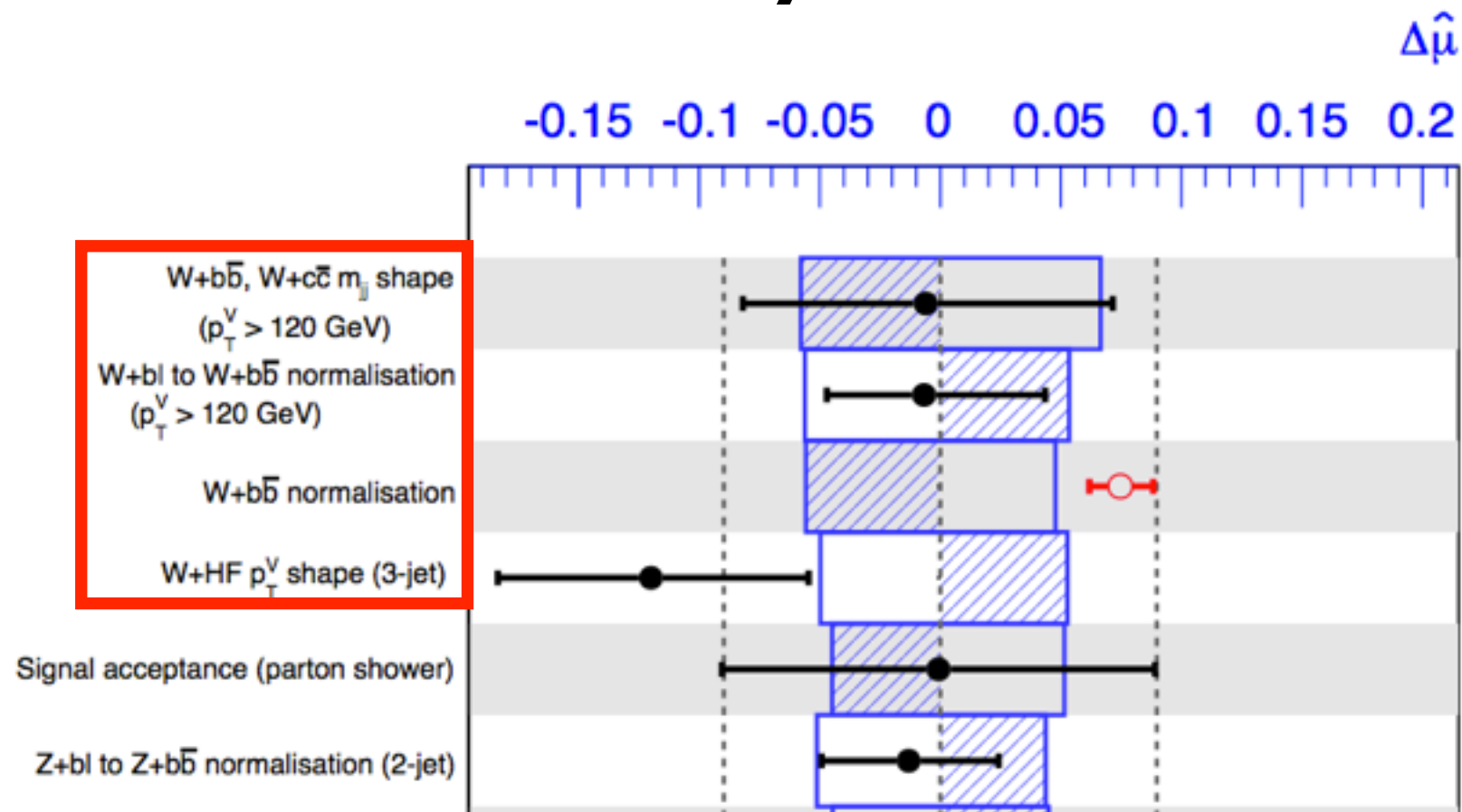
**$ggZH \sim 10\% \sigma_{VH} @ 14 \text{ TeV}$**

**e.g. PYTHIA vs HERWIG**  
Can it be constrained by WZ/ZZ?  
 $\sigma_{\text{stat}}^{WZ/ZZ} \sim 2\% \text{ at } 3000 \text{ fb}^{-1}$

**PDFs**

Can be related to other  
Drell-Yan measurements?

# Run I systematics



ATLAS, JHEP 01 (2015) 069

Source	Type	Event yield uncertainty range (%)	Individual contribution to $\mu$ uncertainty (%)	Effect of removal on $\mu$ uncertainty (%)
b-tagging	shape	3–15	10.2	2.1
Signal cross section (scale and PDF)	norm.	4	3.9	0.3
Signal cross section ( $p_T$ boost, EW/QCD)	norm.	2/5	3.9	0.3
Monte Carlo statistics	shape	1–5	13.3	3.6
Backgrounds (data estimate)	norm.	10	15.9	5.2
Single-top-quark (simulation estimate)	norm.	15	5.0	0.5
Dibosons (simulation estimate)	norm.	15	5.0	0.5
MC modeling (V+jets and $t\bar{t}$ )	shape	10	7.4	1.1

CMS, PRD 89 012003 (2014)

# Background shape uncertainties

## CMS:

- ▶ take envelope between BDT outputs from independent MCs

“ The uncertainty in the background event yields estimated from data is approximately 10%. For V+jets, the difference between the shape of the BDT output distribution for events generated with the MADGRAPH and the HERWIG ++ Monte Carlo generators is considered as a shape systematic uncertainty. For  $t\bar{t}$  the differences in the shape of the BDT output distribution between the one obtained from the nominal MADGRAPH samples and those obtained from the POWHEG and MC@NLO [60] generators are considered as shape systematic uncertainties. ”

## ATLAS:

- ▶ assess uncertainty on modeling of BDT input variables

- $m_{bb}$ ,  $p_T^V$ ,  $N_{jet}$

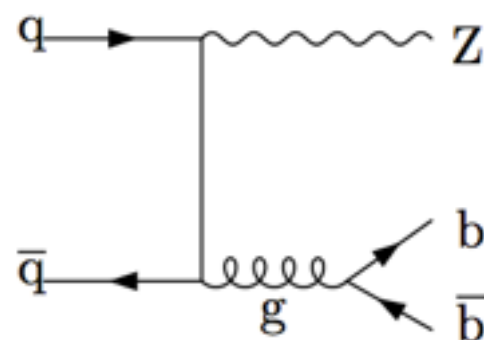
“ Details of the assessment of systematic uncertainties are provided below in the context of the MVA. When systematic uncertainties are derived from a comparison between generators, all relevant variables are considered independently. The variable showing the largest discrepancy in some generator with respect to the nominal generator is assigned an uncertainty covering this discrepancy, which is symmetrised. If, once propagated to the  $BDT_{VH}$  discriminant, this uncertainty is sufficient to cover all variations observed with the different generators, it is considered to be sufficient. If not, an uncertainty is considered in addition on the next most discrepant variable and the procedure is iterated until all variations of the  $BDT_{VH}$  discriminant are covered by the assigned uncertainties. ”



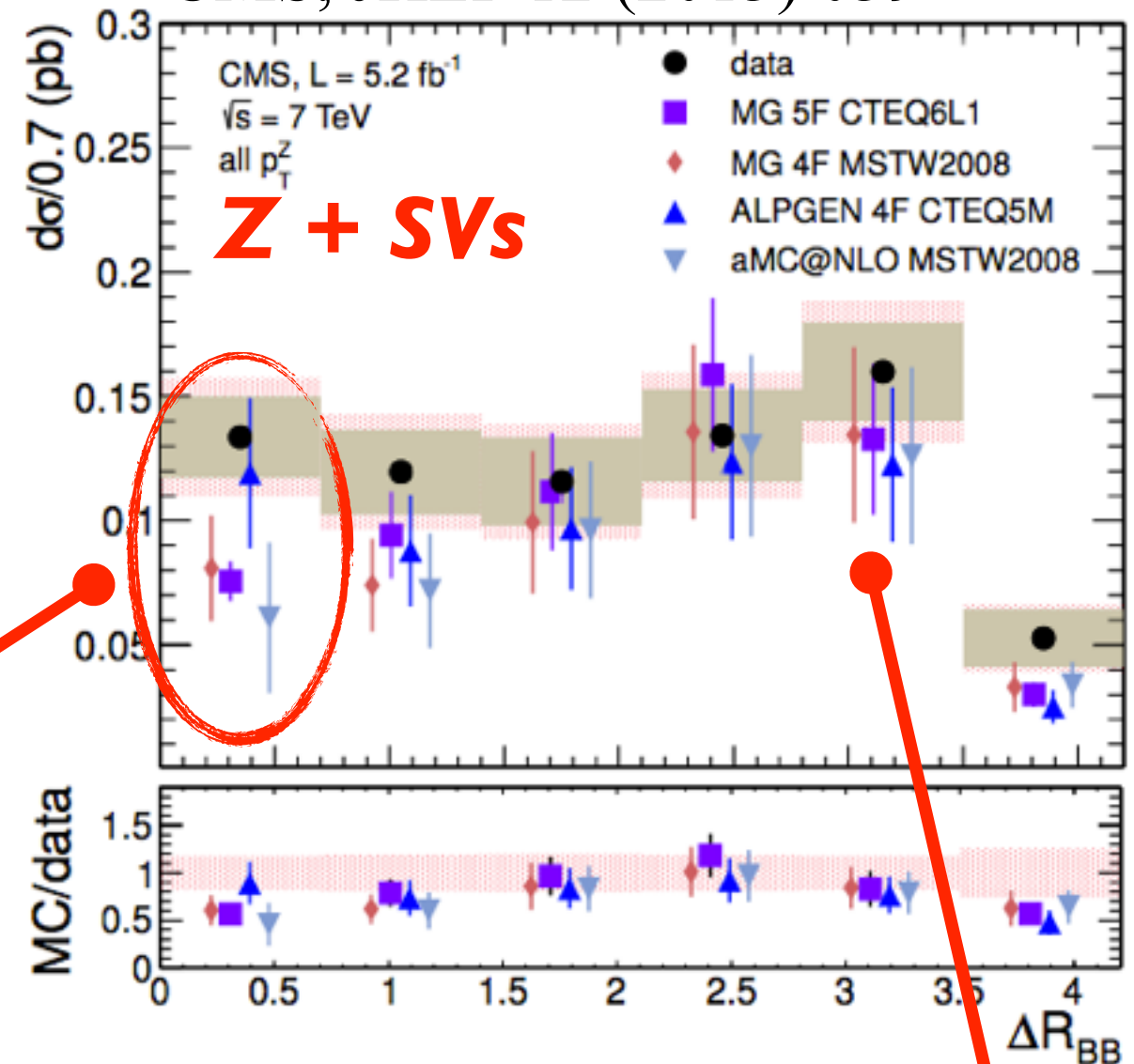
# An example: $Z + SVs$

## $Z +$ secondary vertices:

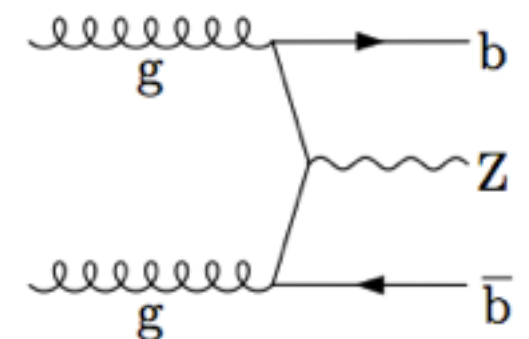
- ▶ independent of jet algorithm
  - sensitive to both collinear and resolved b-jet production
- ▶ testing angular correlations between b hadrons



CMS, JHEP 12 (2013) 039



“ The MG5F MC generator has been one of the standard tools used to simulate backgrounds from associated production of vector bosons and heavy quarks for Higgs boson and new physics searches as well as SM studies. The results reported here indicate that such a description may not be optimal for analyses sensitive to the production of collinear b hadrons. This fact may be particularly important in the simulation of the  $Wb\bar{b}$  process, where collinear b-hadron production is expected to be enhanced compared to the  $Zb\bar{b}$  process. ”



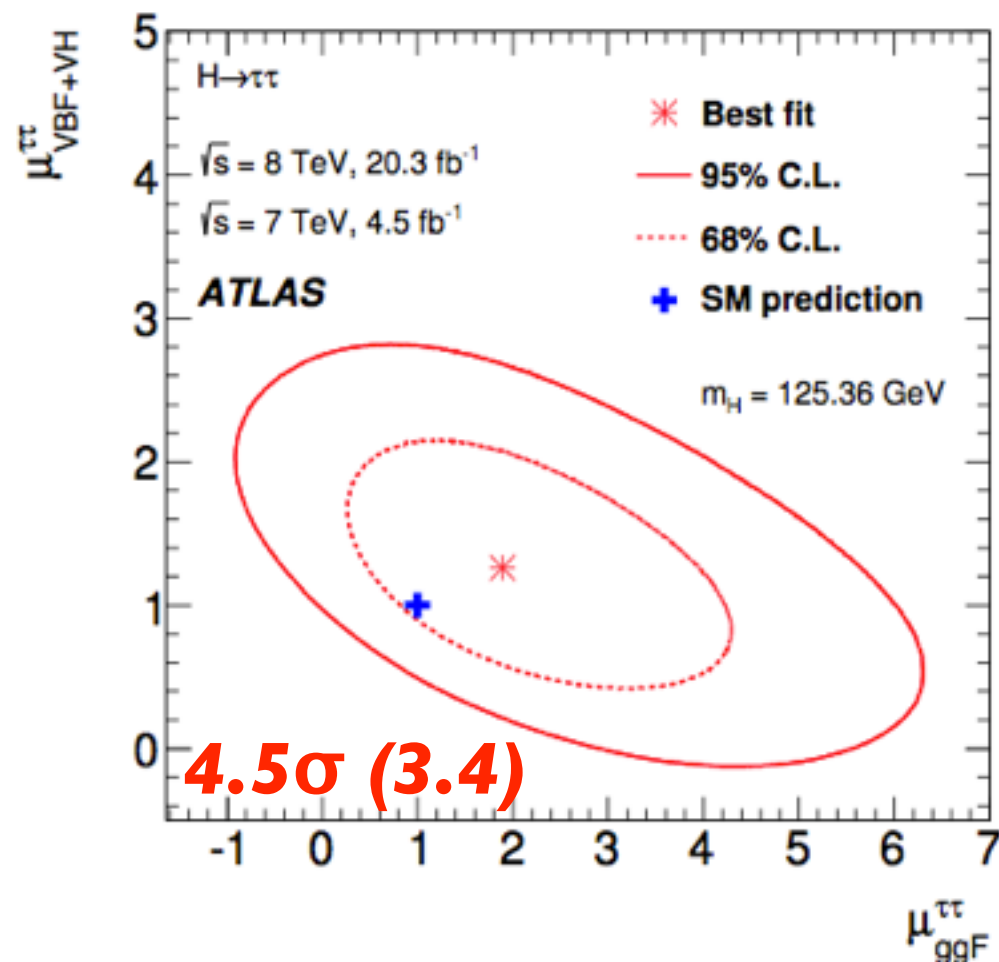
# Importance of $\tau\tau$ channels

$H \rightarrow \tau\tau$ :

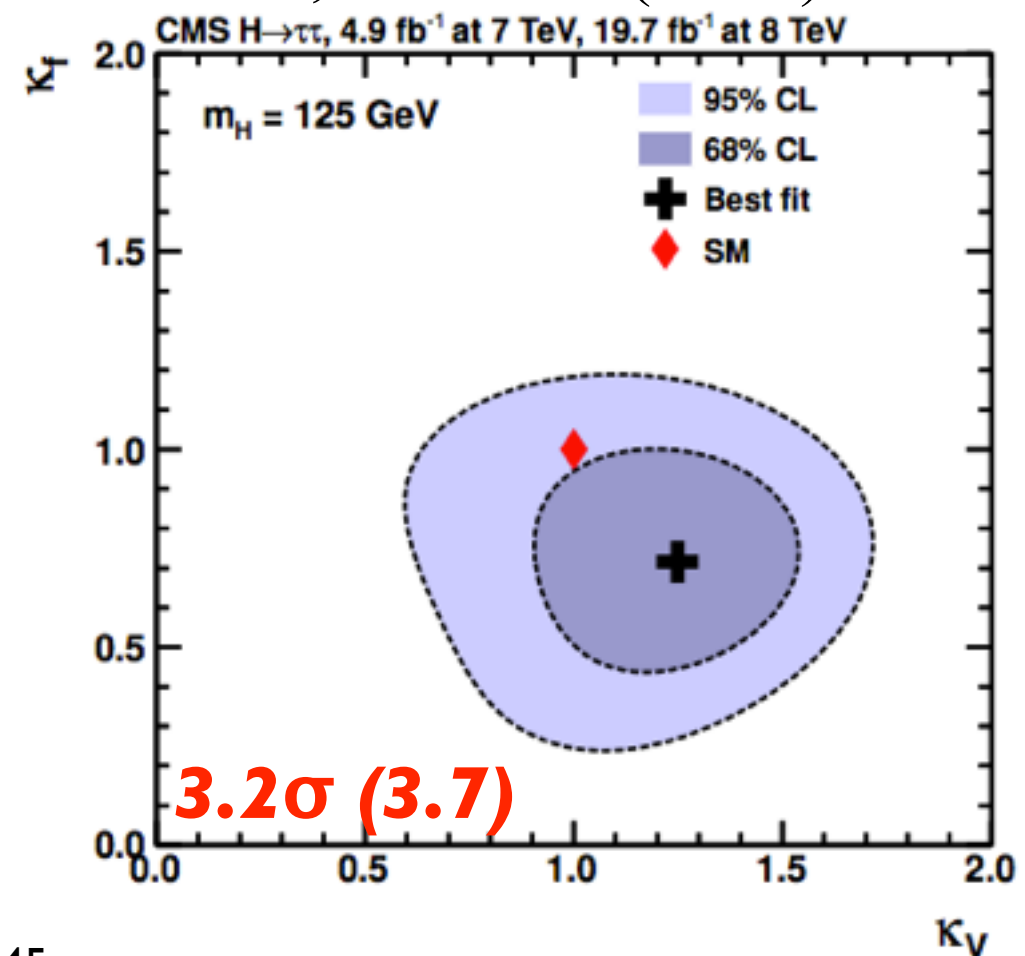
- ▶ coupling to leptons and down-type fermions
- ▶ can be triggered irrespectively of production mode
  - sensitivity to both  $K_V$  and  $K_f$

$\tau\tau +$	0, 1 jet	ggF
	$\geq 2$ jets	VBF/ggF
	1 lept	VH
	b jets	ttH

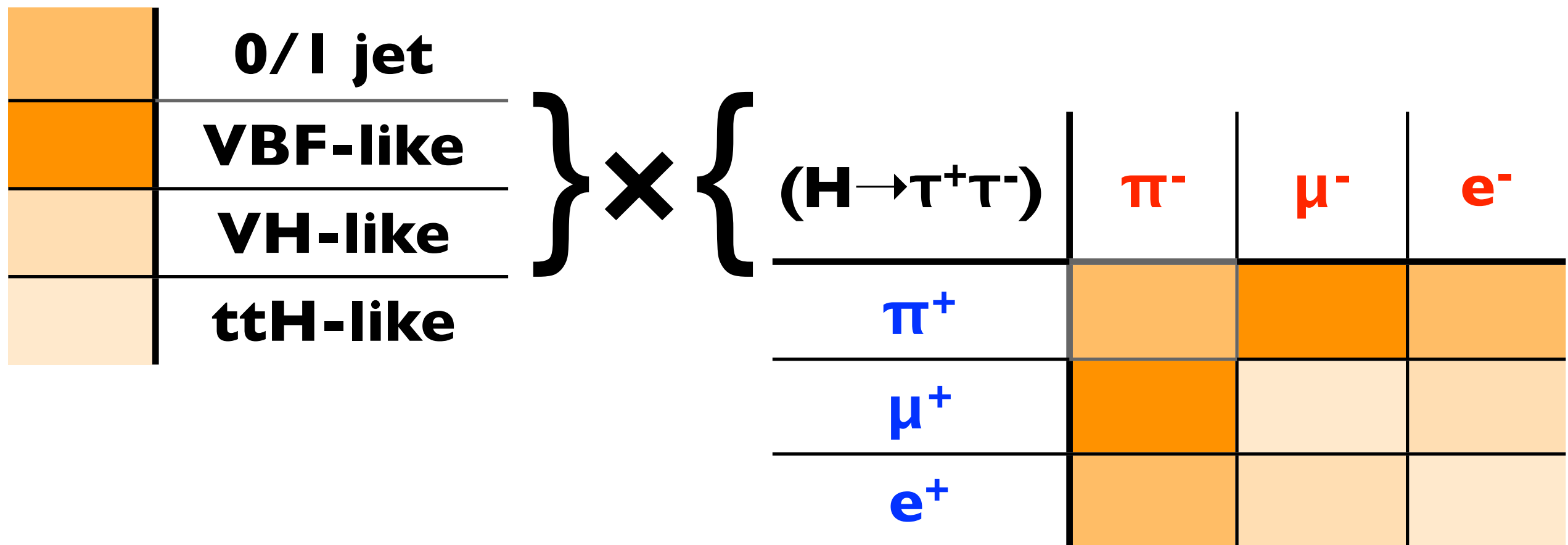
ATLAS, JHEP 04 (2015) 117



CMS, JHEP 05 (2014) 104



# Sensitivity by production and decay



# PU jets suppression

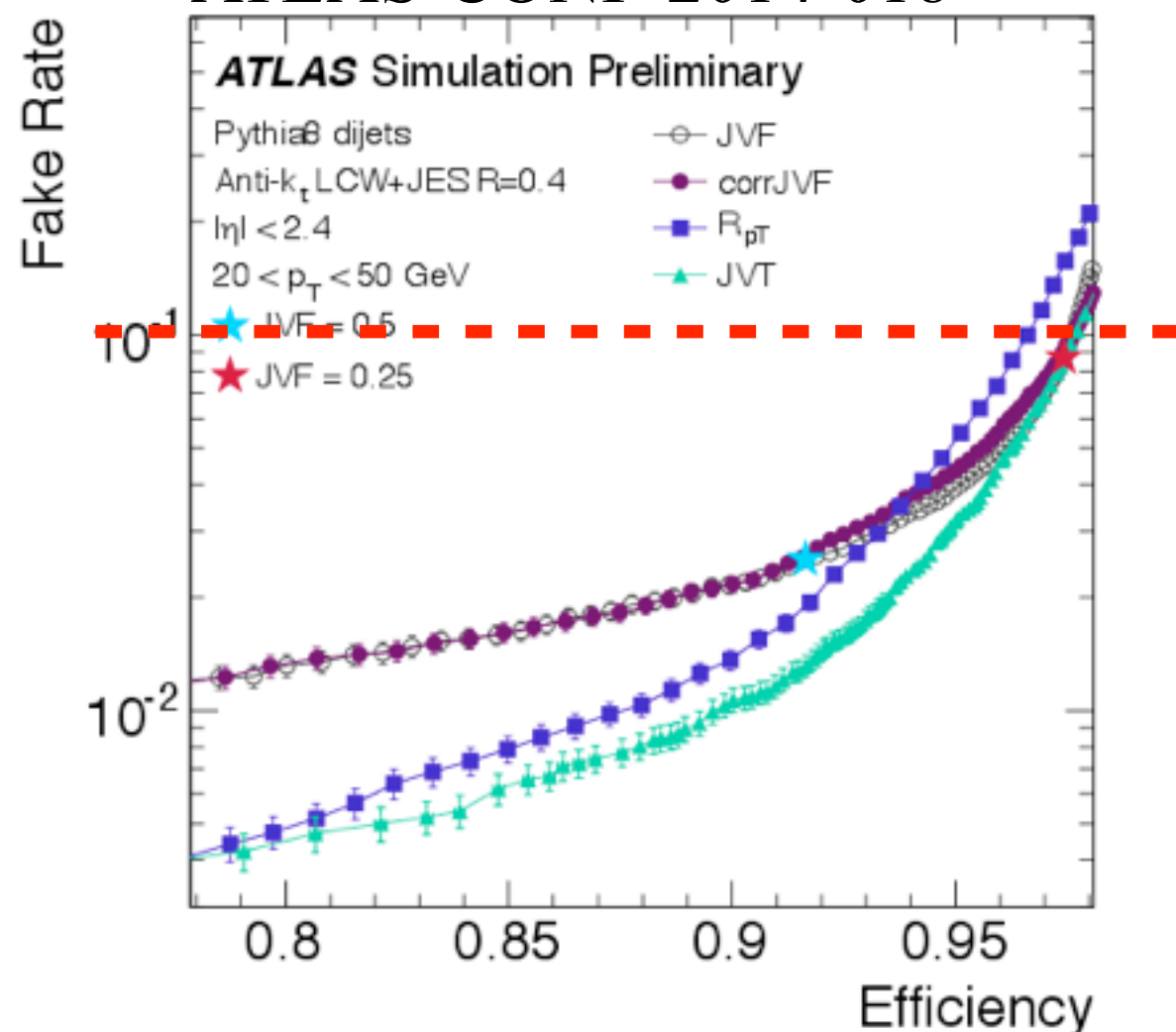
Already studied and deployed in Run I

- PU-jet rejection mandatory to preserve acceptance
  - 90% bkg rejection at negligible signal loss within tracker

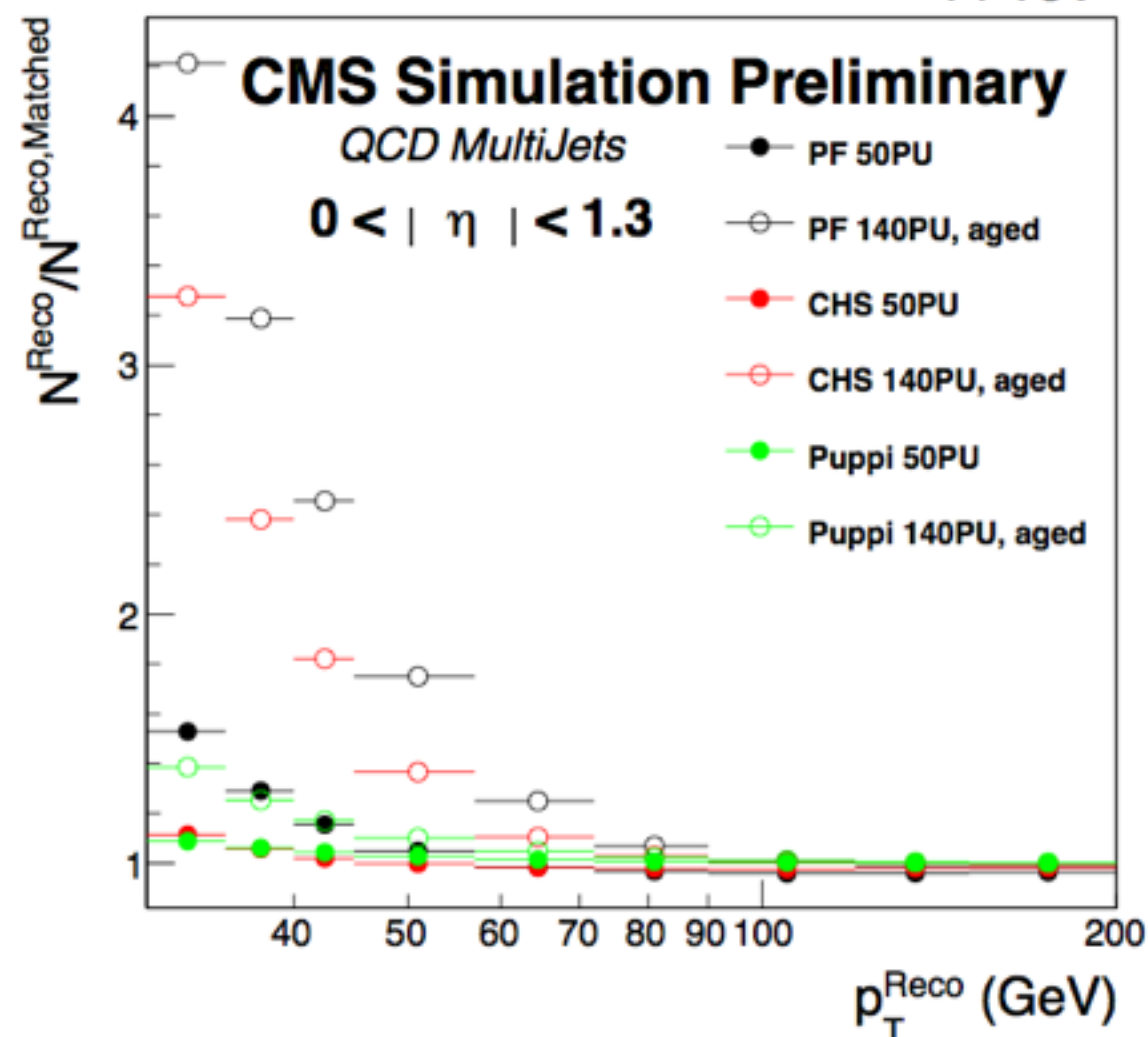
**$p_T$  cut for less than X% fake rate**

Eta	10% (GeV)	1% (GeV)
0–2.1	60 (30)	80 (40)
2.1–2.8	50	80
2.8–3.2	50	80
3.2–4.5	30	50

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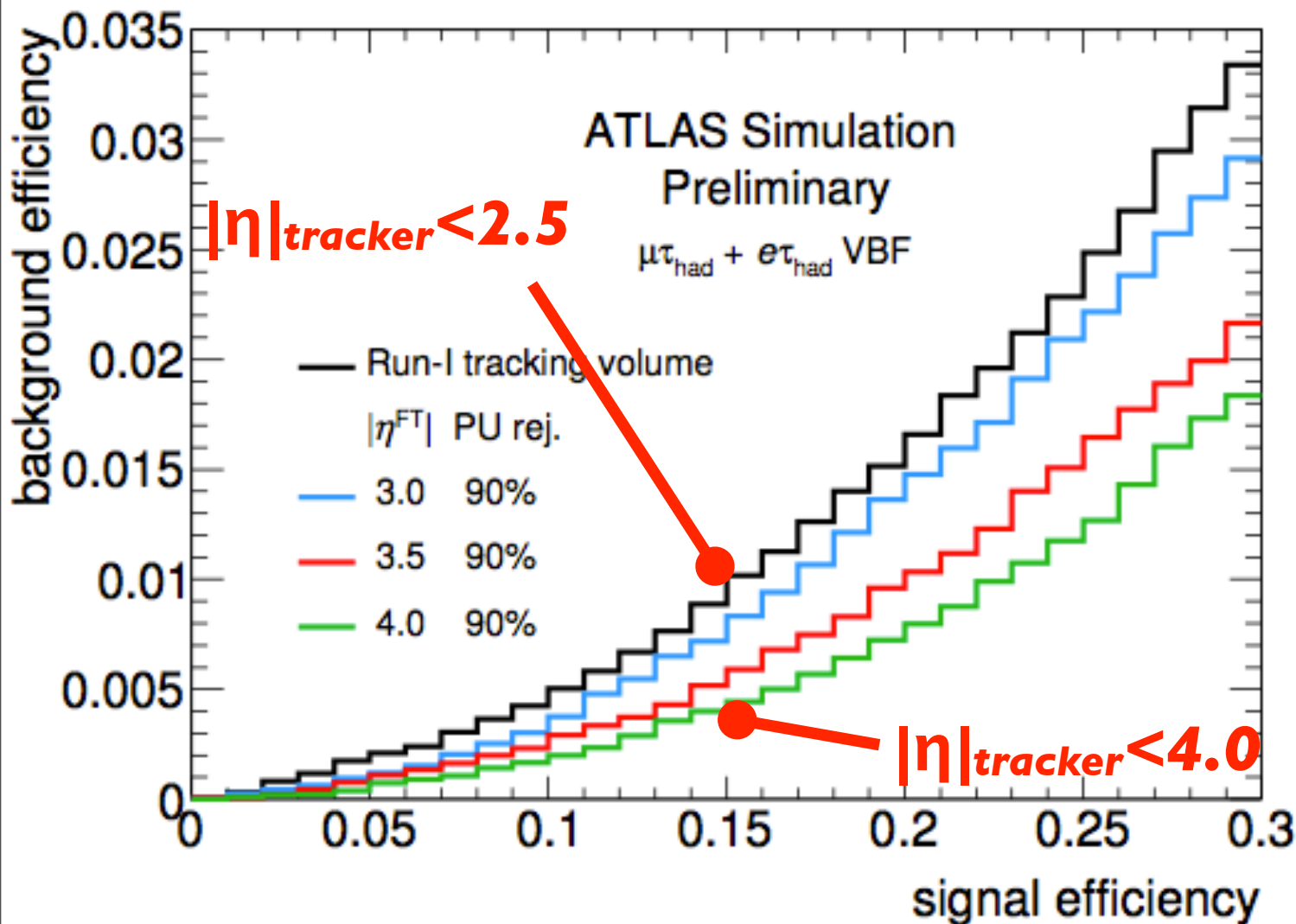
14 TeV



# Impact of extended PU rejection

## Extension of tracking to forward region

- ▶ performances dramatically improved by larger tracking coverage



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forward pile-up jet rejection	50%	75%	90%
forward tracker coverage	$\Delta\mu$		
Run-I tracking volume	0.24		
$ \eta  < 3.0$	0.18	0.15	0.14
$ \eta  < 3.5$	0.18	0.13	0.11
$ \eta  < 4.0$	0.16	0.12	0.08

**Extension of tracker coverage can provide up to 3 times smaller  $\Delta\mu$  !!**

## Also studied by CMS for Phase2 upgrade

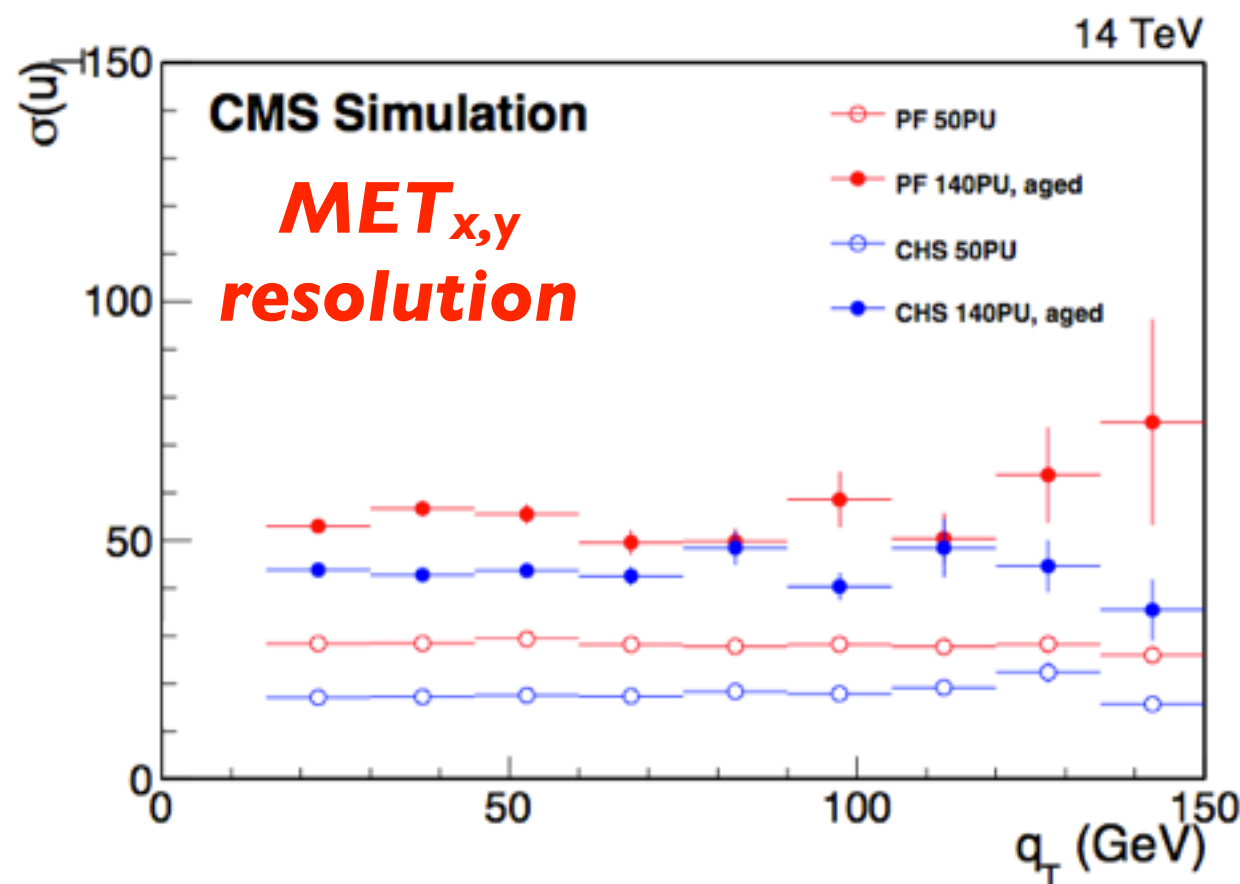
- ▶ forward pixel disks and timing in pre-shower



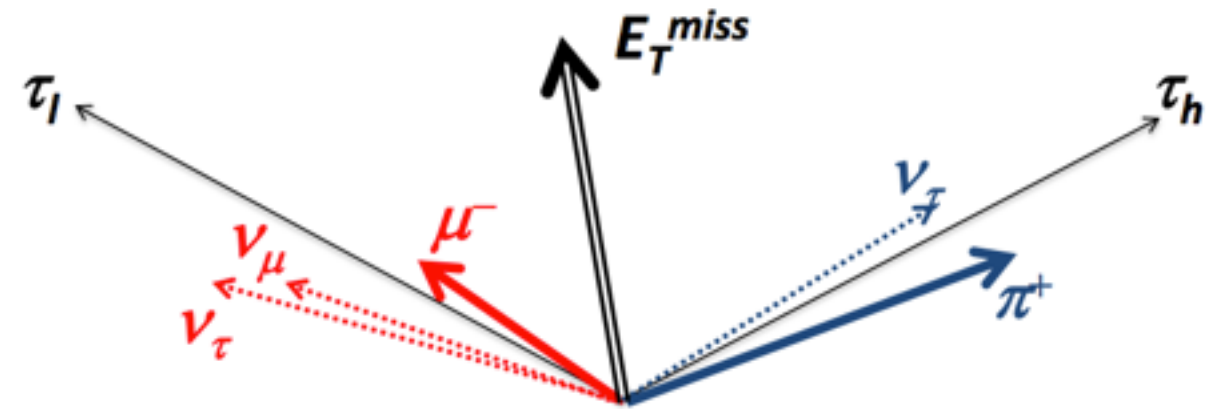
# Experimental challenges: MET

Missing energy used for for dynamical  $m_{\tau\tau}$  reconstruction

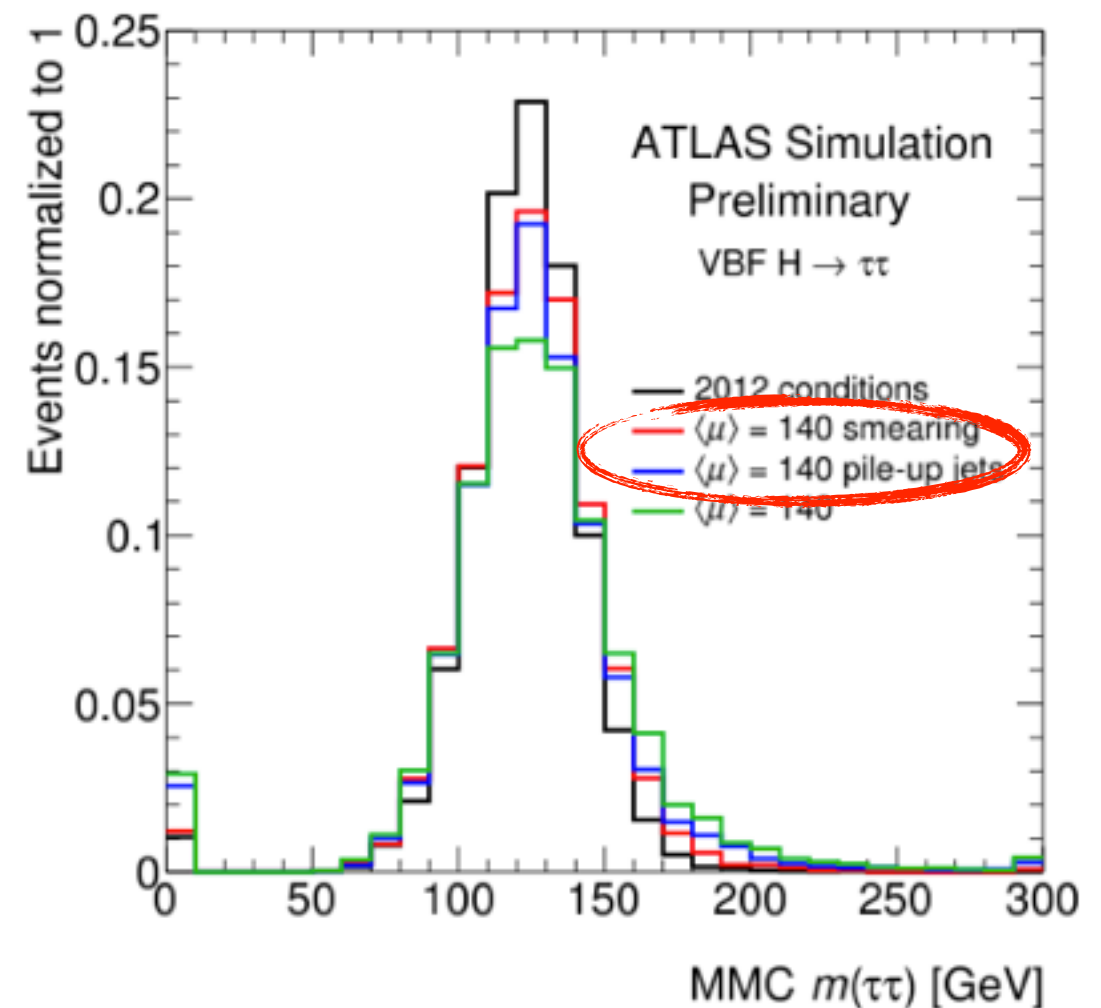
- MET resolution degraded by PU
  - extra smear (x2 larger RMS)
  - bias from extra jets



**PU mitigation and MET improvement will be important here**



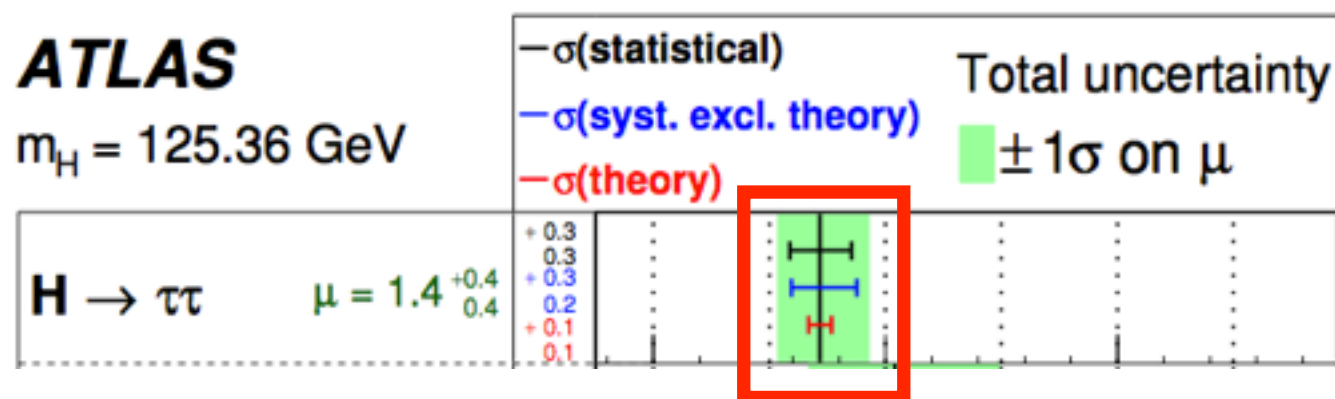
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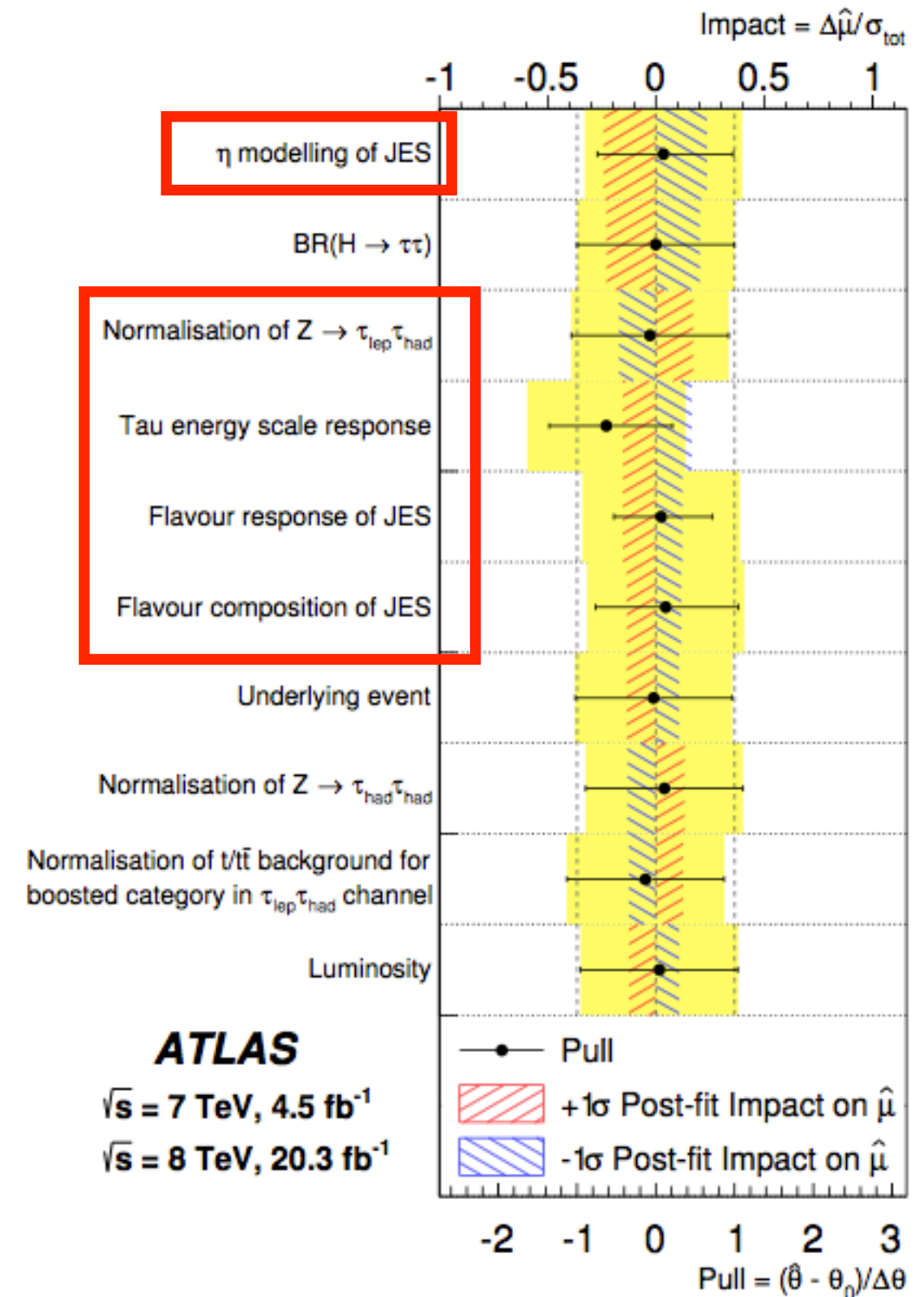
# Experimental uncertainties

@ Run1: statistical and systematic uncertainties comparable

- ▶ experimental systematics mostly from jet and tau modeling



- ▶ VBF-like category most sensitive
  - theory uncertainty there will eventually dominate



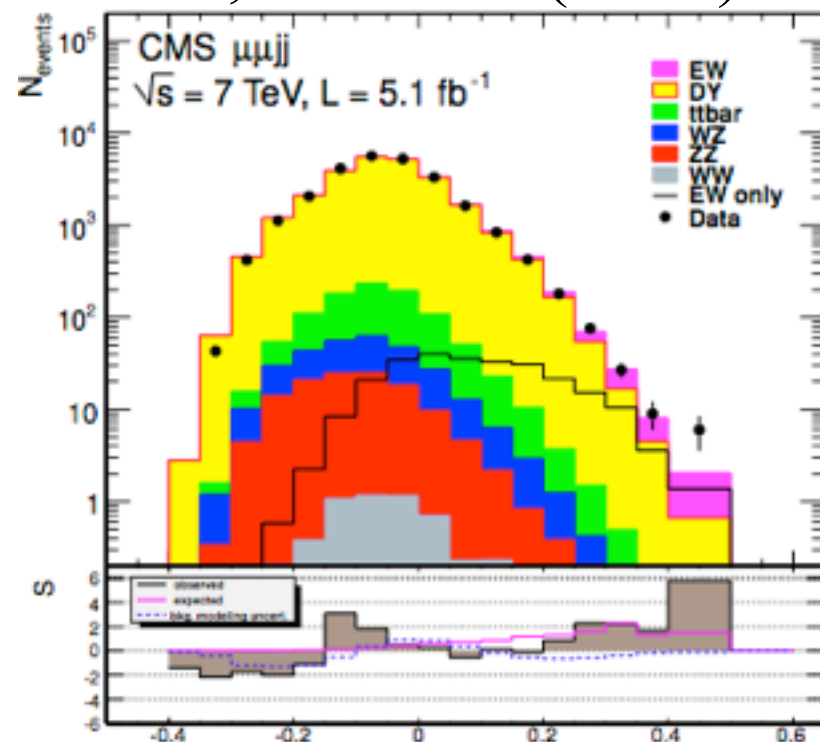


# The third jet: VBF

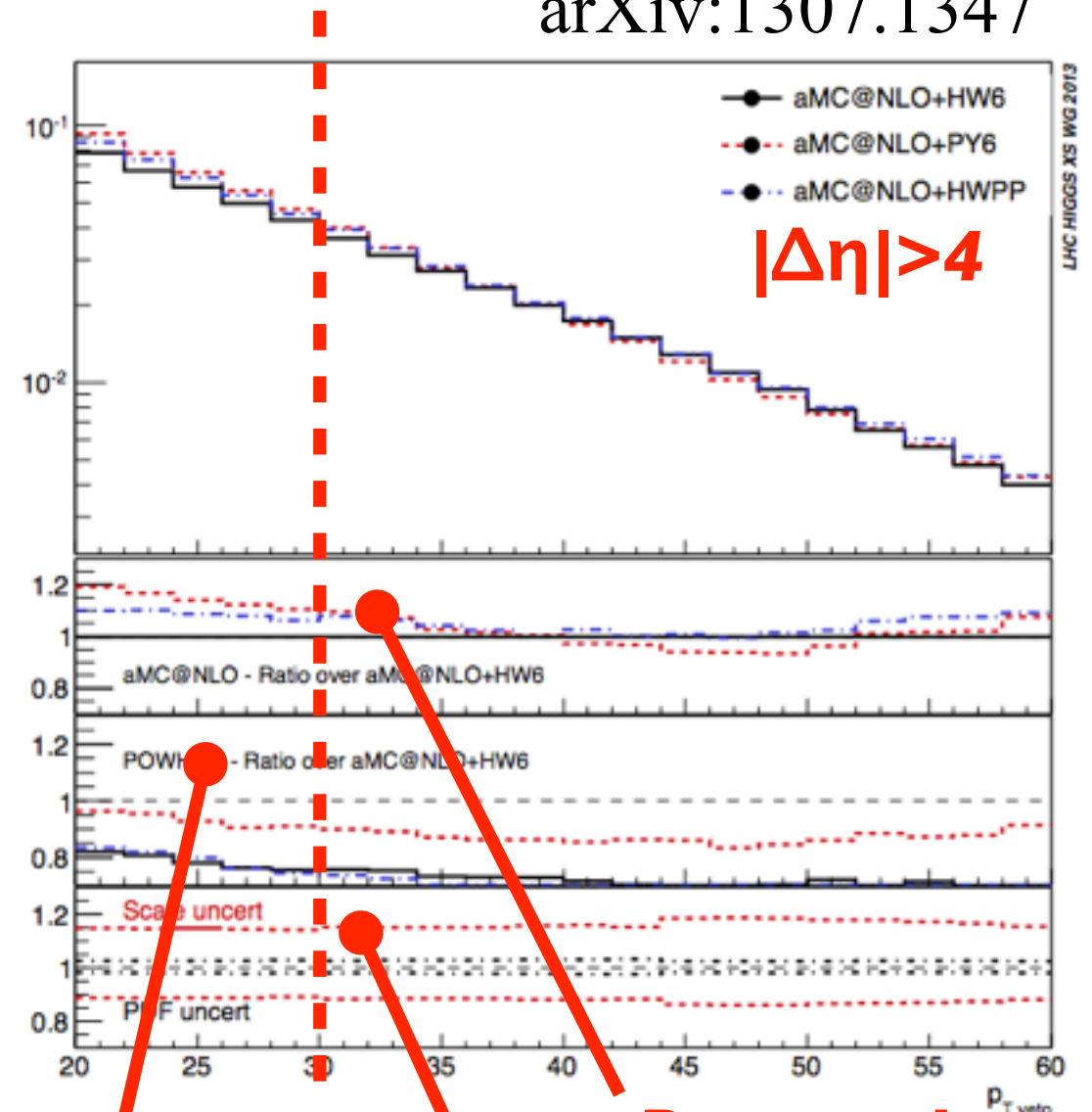
arXiv:1307.1347

- Tighter VBF-like cuts will enhance jet veto uncertainty
- Current analyses apply jet veto:
  - ▶ CMS: jet  $p_T$  veto 30 GeV
  - ▶ ATLAS: BDT sensitive to 3rd jet
- Can it be improved?
  - ▶ e.g. calibrate on EWK Z production?

CMS, JHEP 10 (2013) 062



$$\sigma_{\ell\ell}^{\text{EW}} (\ell=e, \mu) = 154 \pm 24 \text{ (stat.)} \pm 46 \text{ (exp. syst.)}$$



MC modeling  
(~20%)

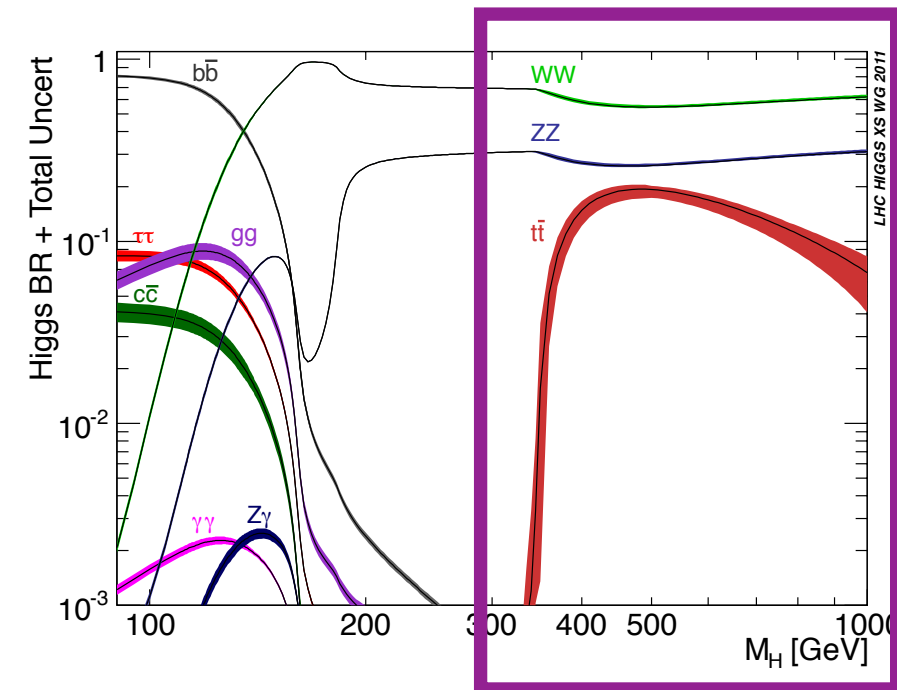
Parton showers  
(~10%)  
Missing orders  
(~15%)

Extrapolating to 3000 fb $^{-1}$   
 $\Rightarrow O(1\%)$  stat. on  $\sigma^{\text{EW}}$

# The top quark Yukawa coupling

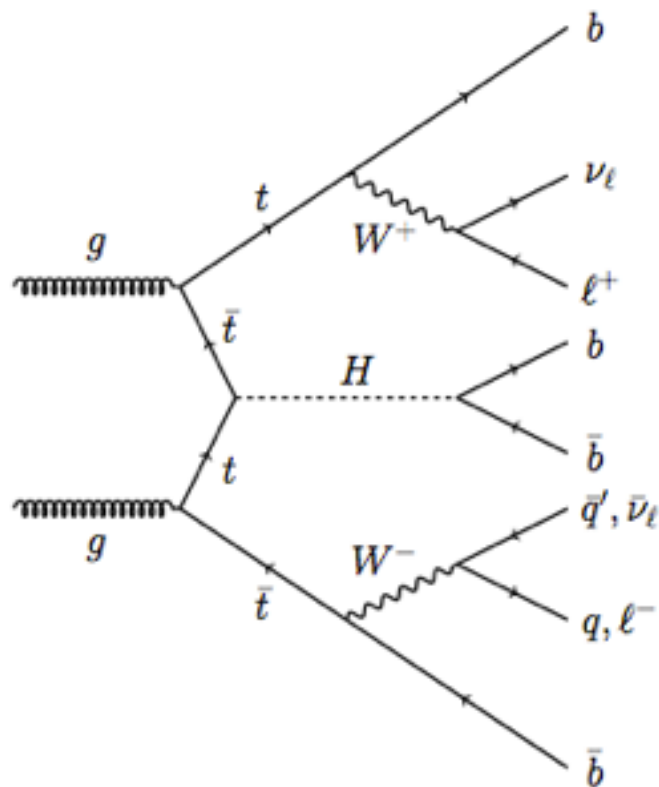
Precise knowledge of Yukawa coupling  $y_t$  crucial for characterization of H(125)

- ▶ no partial width  $\Gamma_{H \rightarrow tt}$ 
  - off-shell  $H \rightarrow tt$  through  $gg \rightarrow tt$  interference? Maybe, but very hard



	$H \rightarrow ZZ^*/WW^*/ff$	$H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$
$\sigma(pp \rightarrow H)$	$K_t^2$ [loop]	
$\sigma(pp \rightarrow ttH)$	$K_t^2$ [tree]	$ K_t \mathcal{M}_a + K_V \mathcal{M}_b ^2$ [loop]
$\sigma(pp \rightarrow tH)$	$ K_t \mathcal{M}_a + K_V \mathcal{M}_b ^2$ [tree]	

# Tackling $H \rightarrow bb$ final states

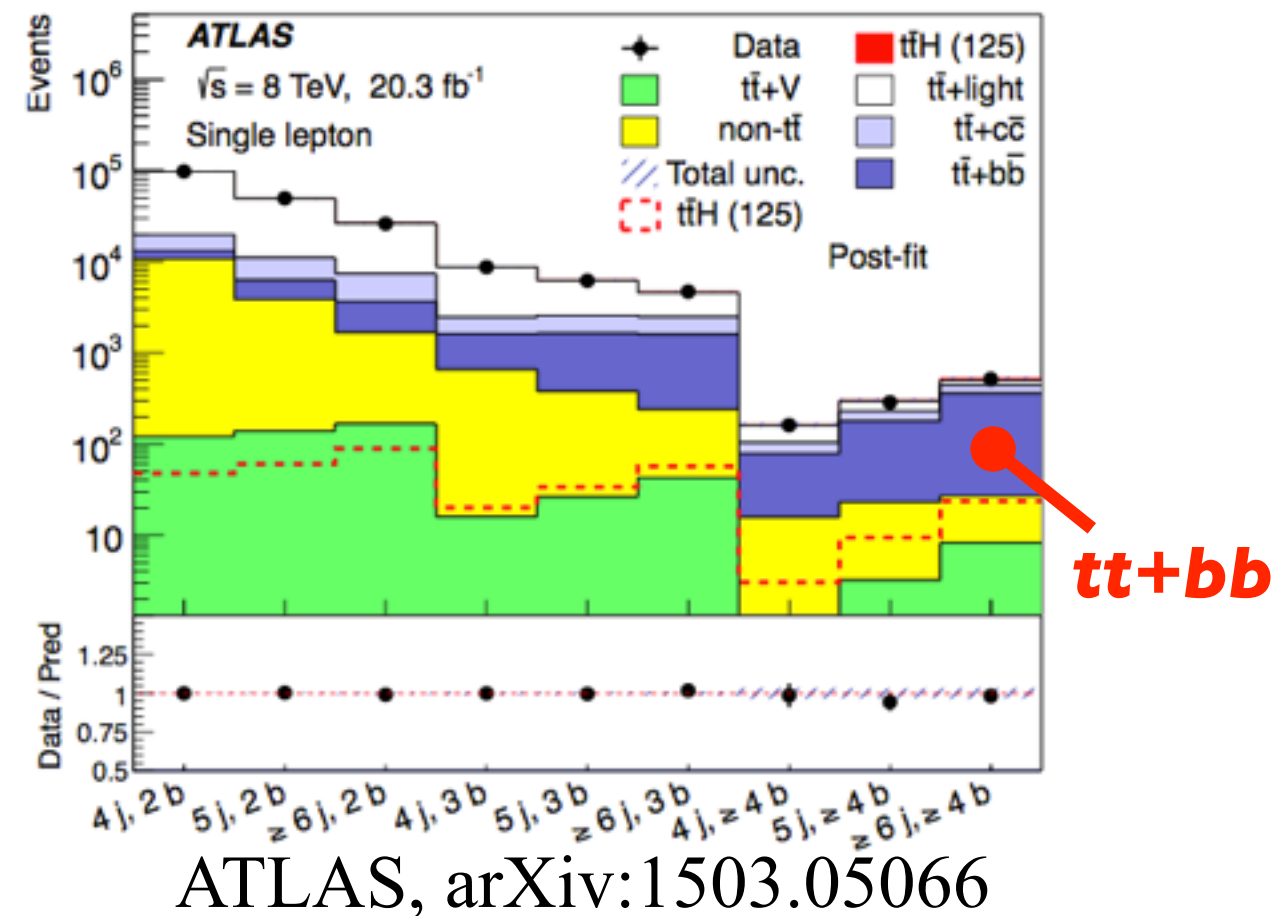


$$J = t \rightarrow b q \bar{q}' \quad L = t \rightarrow b \ell^+ \nu$$

	LL	LJ	JJ
quarks	4	6	8
b-quarks	4	4	4
leptons	2	1	0

- High jet multiplicities
  - ▶ up to four b-jets
- Require  $\geq 1$  lepton
  - ▶ trigger efficiency and negligible multi-jet background
- All-hadronic channel not yet explored
  - ▶ ideal case for boosted techniques

## #jets vs #b-tags

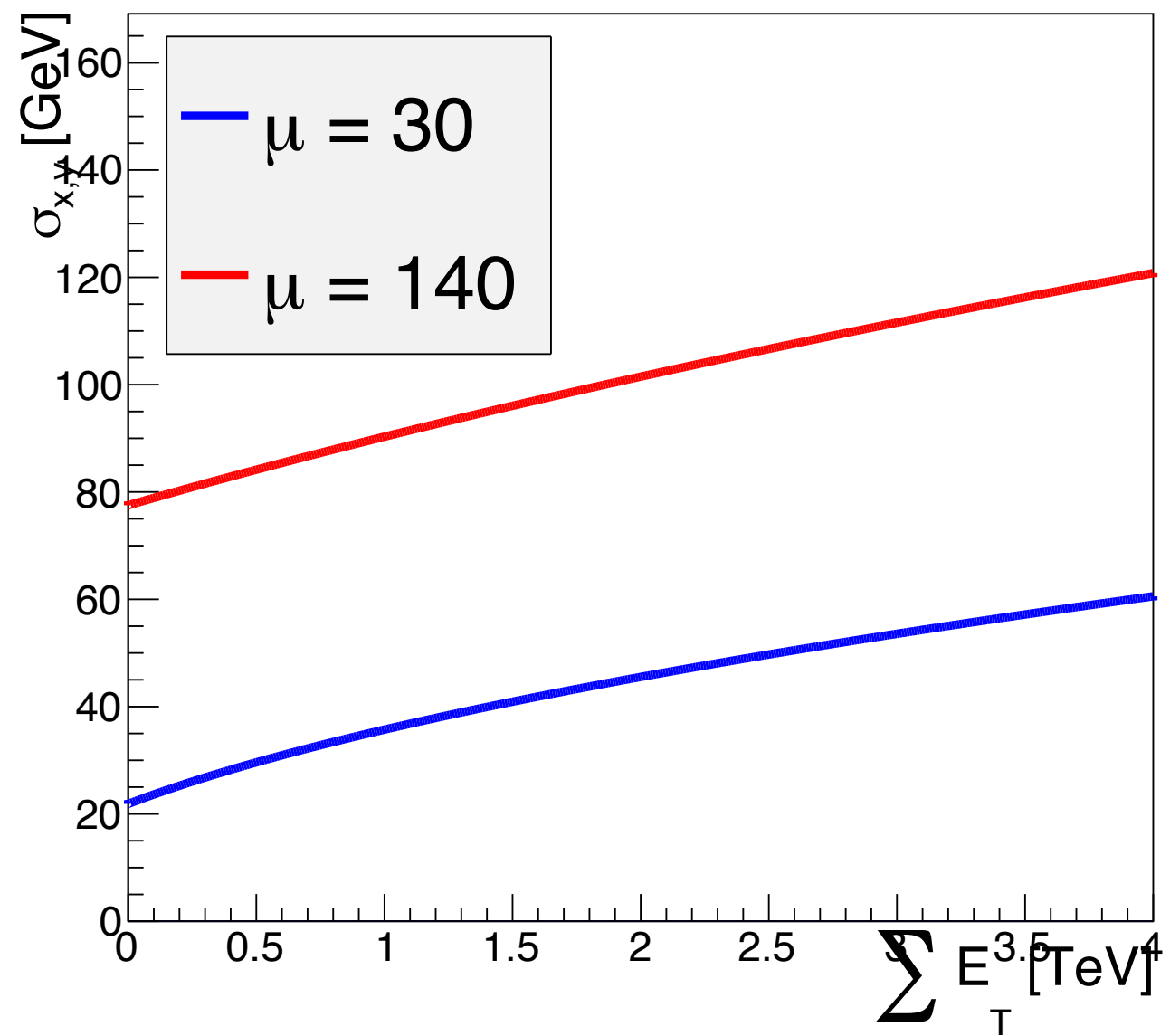


# ttH: theoretical developments

	Accuracy	Some references
Signal modeling	NLO	PRL 87 (2001) 201805 NPB 653 (2003) PRD 68 (2003) 034022
	bkg interference	arXiv:1412.5290
	EWK corrections	arXiv:1504.03446
	NLO + PS	aMC@NLO+PYTHIA Sherpa+OpenLoops POWHEG+HELAC
Background modeling	tt+bb @NLO	PRL 103 (2009) 012002
	tt+bb @NLO + PS (4FS, 5FS)	PLB 734 (2014) 210 JHEP 07 (2014) 135 JHEP 1503 (2015) 083
	tt+jj @NLO	PRD 84 (2011) 114017
	tt+jj @NLO + PS	arXiv:1402.6293

# Experimental challenges: MET

$$\sigma(E_{x,y}^{\text{miss}})[\text{GeV}] = (0.40 + 0.09 \times \sqrt{\mu}) \times \sqrt{\sum E_T[\text{GeV}] + \mu \times 20}$$



# Principle

Assign each reconstructed event with its probability density

$$P\{\vec{y} \in [\vec{y}_0, \vec{y}_0 + d\vec{y}] \mid S, \boldsymbol{\theta}\} = p_S(\vec{y}_0 \mid \boldsymbol{\theta}) d\vec{y}$$

$$\int_{\mathcal{A}} p_S(\vec{y} \mid \boldsymbol{\theta}) d\vec{y} = 1$$

**observed quantities**  
(e.g. jet, lepton momenta)

**model parameters**  
(e.g. JES, particle masses)

**normalisation**

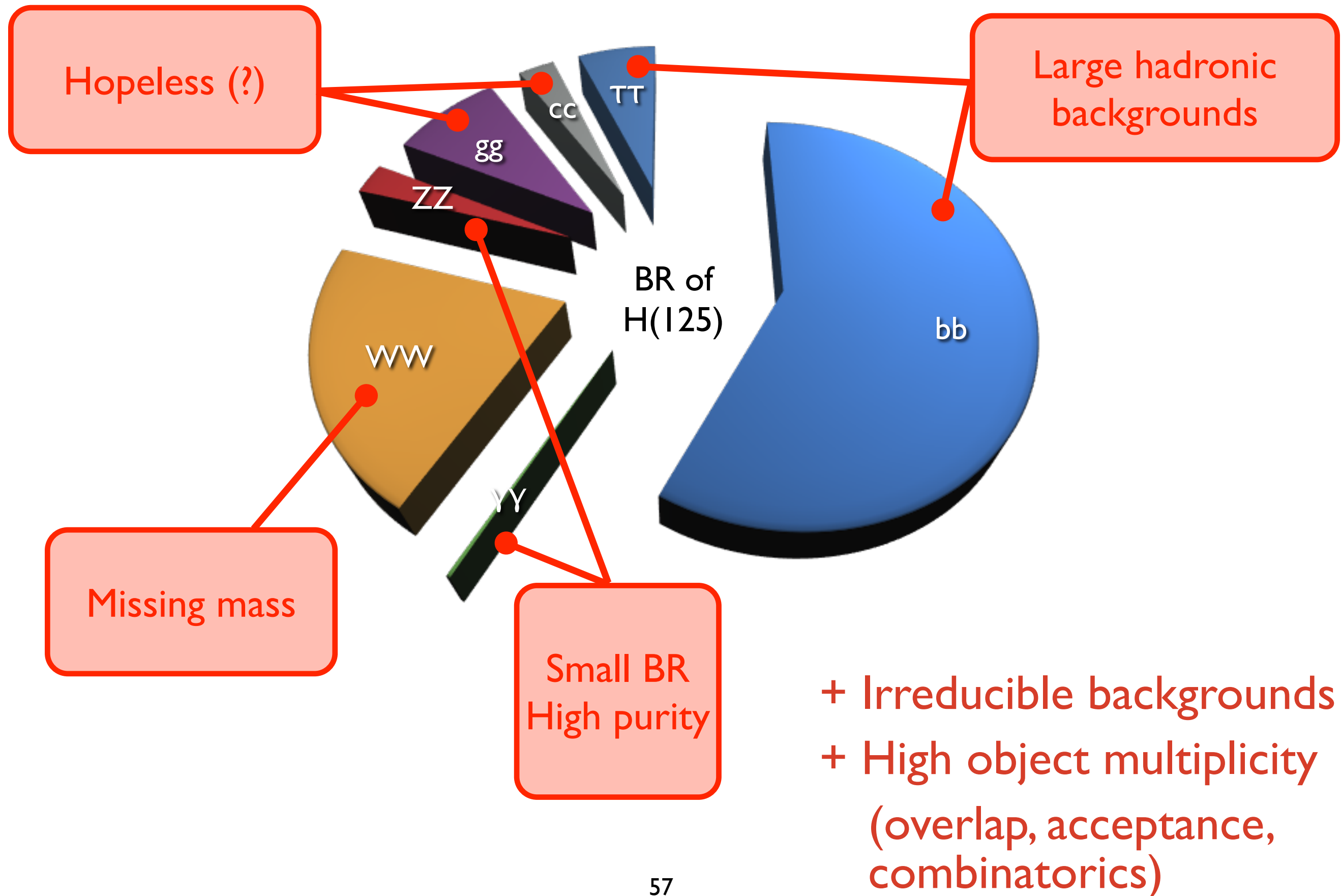
- ▶ if the underlying scattering process is theoretically known:

$$p_S(\vec{y} \mid \boldsymbol{\theta}) = \frac{1}{\sigma_S(\boldsymbol{\theta})} \frac{d\sigma_S}{d\vec{y}}(\vec{y}, \boldsymbol{\theta})$$

$$d\sigma_S(\vec{y} \mid \boldsymbol{\theta}) = \left[ \int d\Phi(\vec{x}) dx_a dx_b \sum_{i,j} \frac{f_i(x_a) f_j(x_b)}{(1 + \delta_{ij}) x_a x_b s} |\mathcal{M}_S(\vec{x}, \boldsymbol{\theta})|^2 W(\vec{y}, \vec{x}; \boldsymbol{\theta}) \right] d\vec{y}$$

- ▶ convolution of  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{theoretical prediction} \\ \text{detector resolution} \end{array} \right.$

# ttH: experimental break-down



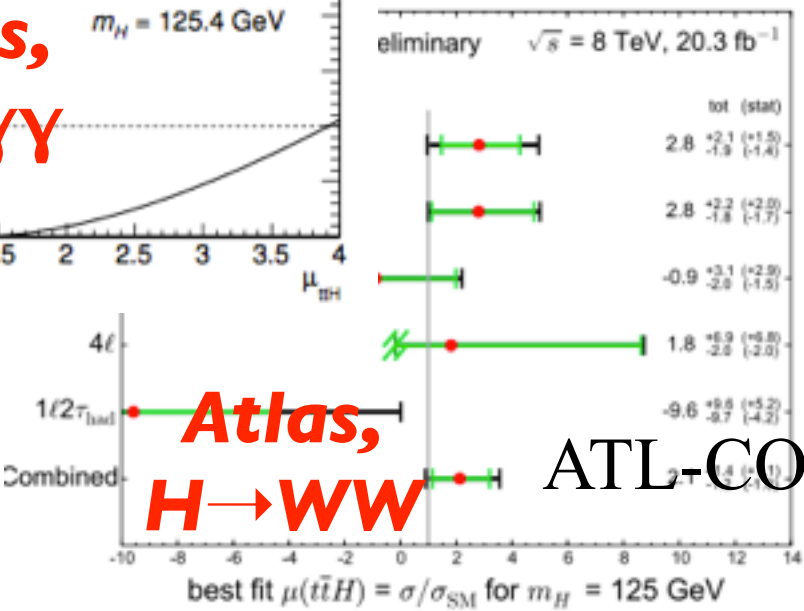
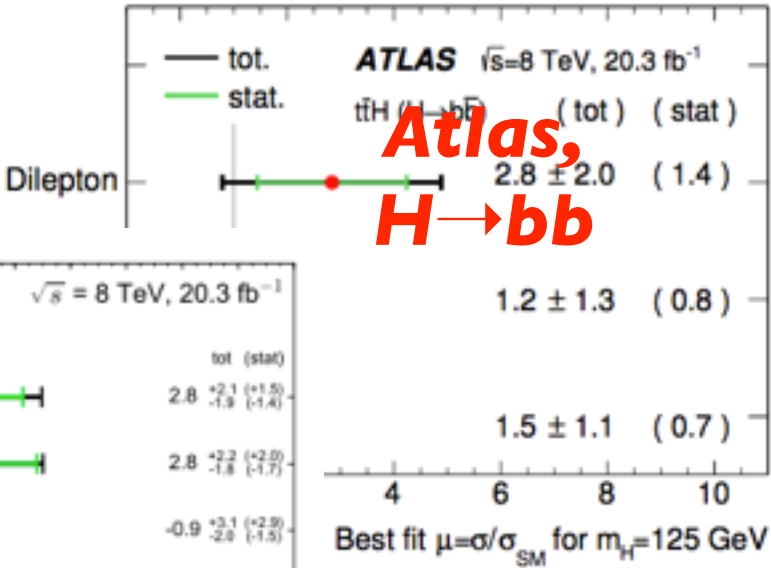
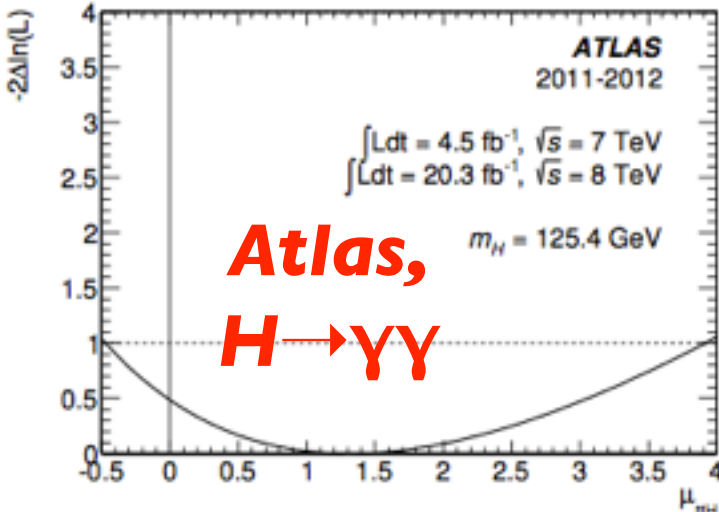
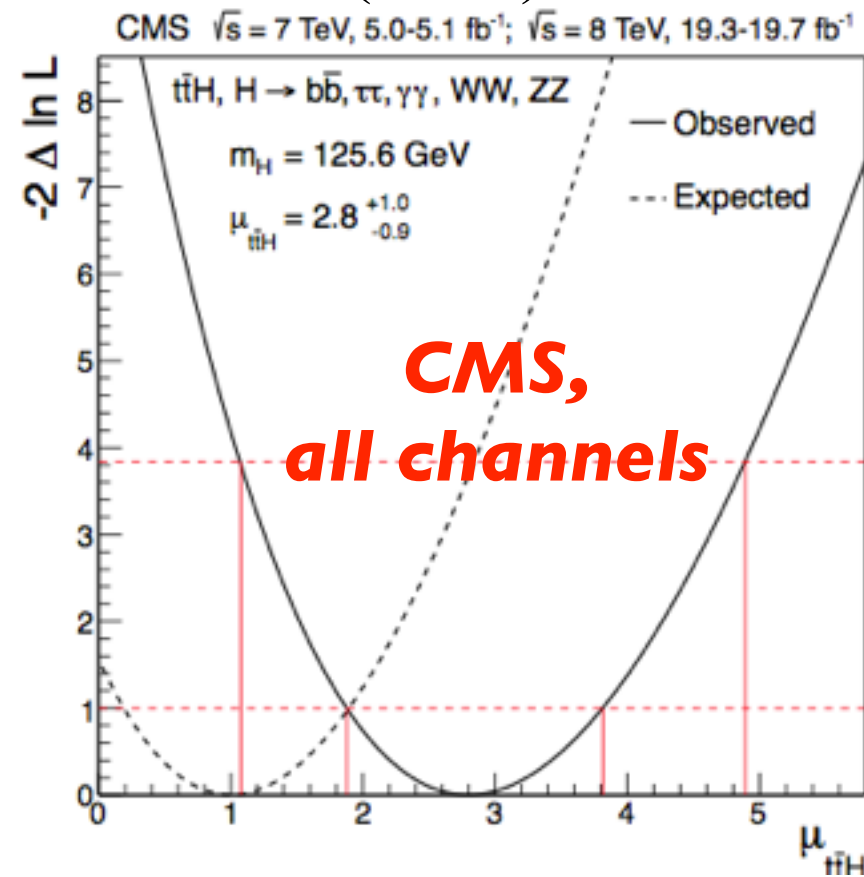


# Run I at a glance

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ATLAS, arXiv:1503.05066



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	Experiment	obs. (exp.) limit 95% CL	best-fit value (±1σ)
<b>H → hadrons</b>	CMS	4.1 (3.5)	0.7 <sup>+1.9</sup> <sub>-1.9</sub>
	ATLAS	3.4 ( <b>2.2</b> )	1.5 <sup>+1.1</sup> <sub>-1.1</sub>
<b>H → photons</b>	CMS	7.4 ( <b>4.7</b> )	2.7 <sup>+2.6</sup> <sub>-1.8</sub>
	ATLAS	6.7 (4.9)	1.4 <sup>+2.1</sup> <sub>-1.4</sub>
<b>H → leptons</b>	CMS	6.6 ( <b>2.4</b> )	3.7 <sup>+1.6</sup> <sub>-1.4</sub>
	ATLAS	7.7 (2.4)	2.1 <sup>+1.4</sup> <sub>-1.2</sub>