

ttH + other near term Higgs measurements

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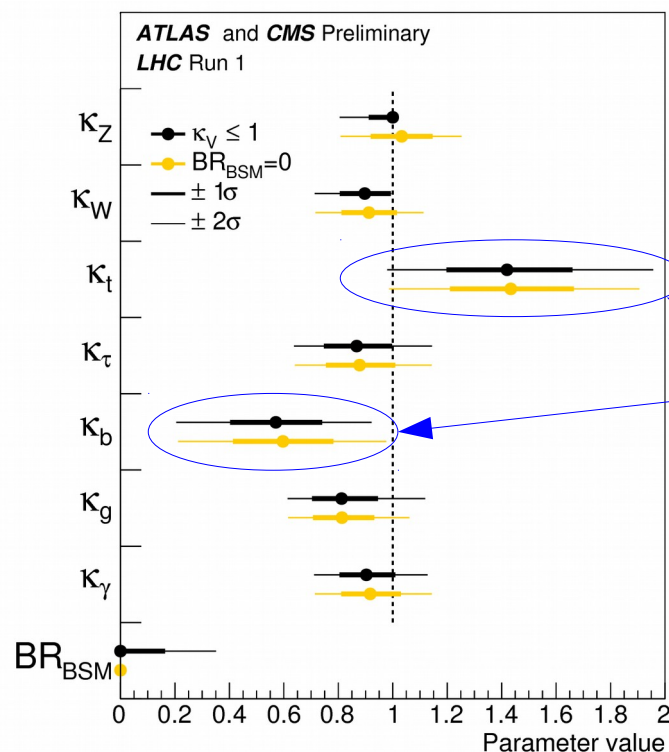


Intro

- Fermion couplings
 - with special attention to $t\bar{t}H$...
- Differential σ
- Alternate presentations of data

Of course, there are many more measurements coming!

Details shown will be from ATLAS - expts typically have very similar solutions to problems



The 2σ anomalies in the combined ATLAS+CMS fit are in the fermion couplings...

(leaving gluon coupling free)

ATLAS+CMS combo:
ATLAS-CONF-2015-044
CMS-PAS-HIG-15-002

SM Matrix

	ggF	VBF	VH	ttH
YY	✓	✓	✓	✓
ZZ	✓	✓	✓	✓
WW	✓	✓	✓	✓
$\tau\tau$	✓	✓	✓	✓
bb		✓	✓	✓

- Measurements/searches in all reasonable channels
- Production mode searches also probe decays
 - e.g. $H \rightarrow bb$ constraint from ttH, $H \rightarrow bb$ search

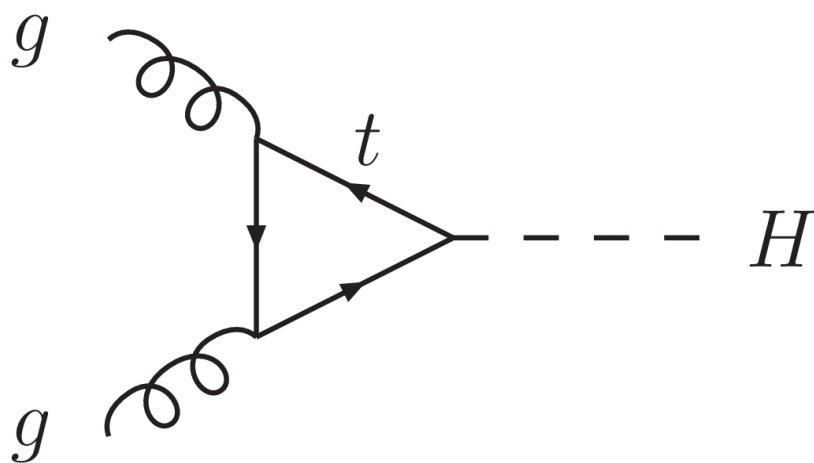
A Note on Projections

- We tend to brute-force “early” measurements using dirtier signatures (high stats, but large systematics)
- Currently subleading channels may dominate sensitivity in the future – but “future” may be $> 300 \text{ fb}^{-1}$
 - and, honestly, we learn how to do existing analyses better with time
- Comments about projected sensitivity only “official” if explicitly noted

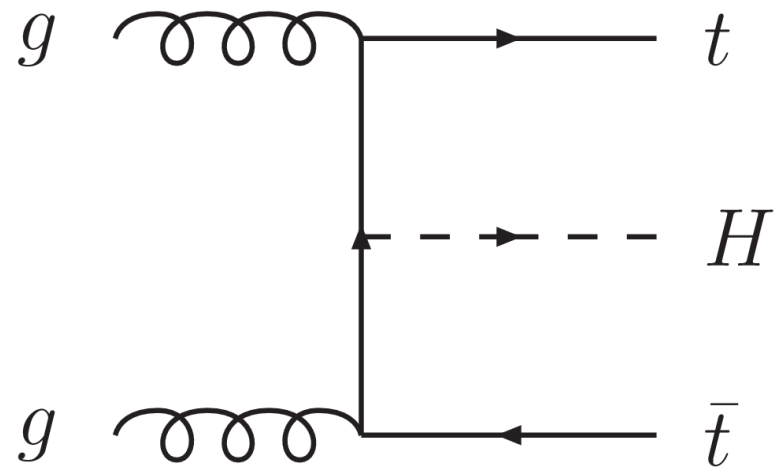
It's tough to make predictions, especially about the future

How to measure the Top-Higgs Coupling?

- Highest rate way: $gg \rightarrow H$ through top loop
- However, with just rate measurement, effects of top are not distinguishable from new physics in $gg \rightarrow H$ or $qq \rightarrow H$
- Tree-level measurement: $pp \rightarrow t\bar{t}H$
 - sensitive to NP in different ways



19 pb @ 8 TeV
44 pb @ 13 TeV



130 fb @ 8 TeV
510 fb @ 13 TeV

ttH + EFT

- Explicit example of degeneracy between dim-6 operators affecting $pp \rightarrow H$ and $pp \rightarrow ttH$

Higgs-gluon coupling:

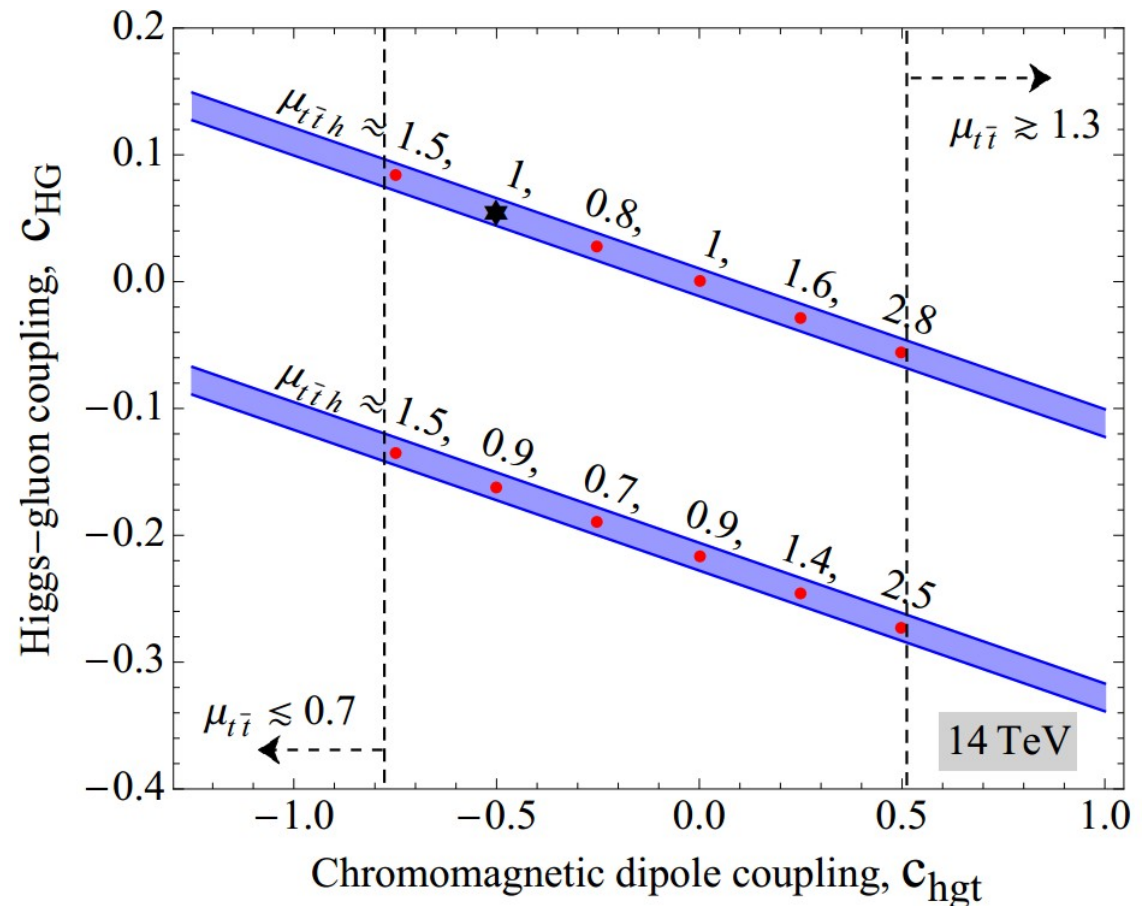
$$\mathcal{O}_{HG} = \frac{c_{HG}}{2\Lambda^2} (H^\dagger H) G_a^{\mu\nu} G_{\mu\nu}^a$$

Top chromomagnetic dipole:

$$\mathcal{O}_{hgt} = \frac{c_{hgt}}{\Lambda^2} (\bar{Q}_L H) \sigma^{\mu\nu} T^a t_R G_{\mu\nu}^a$$

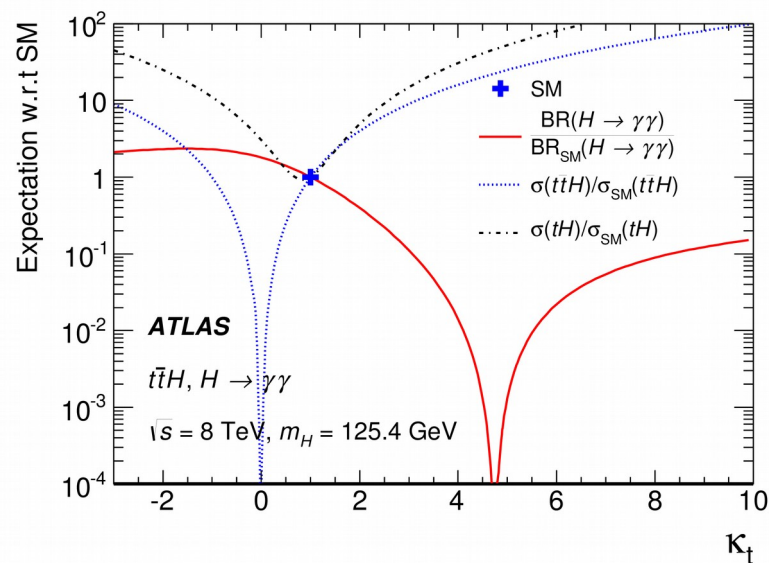
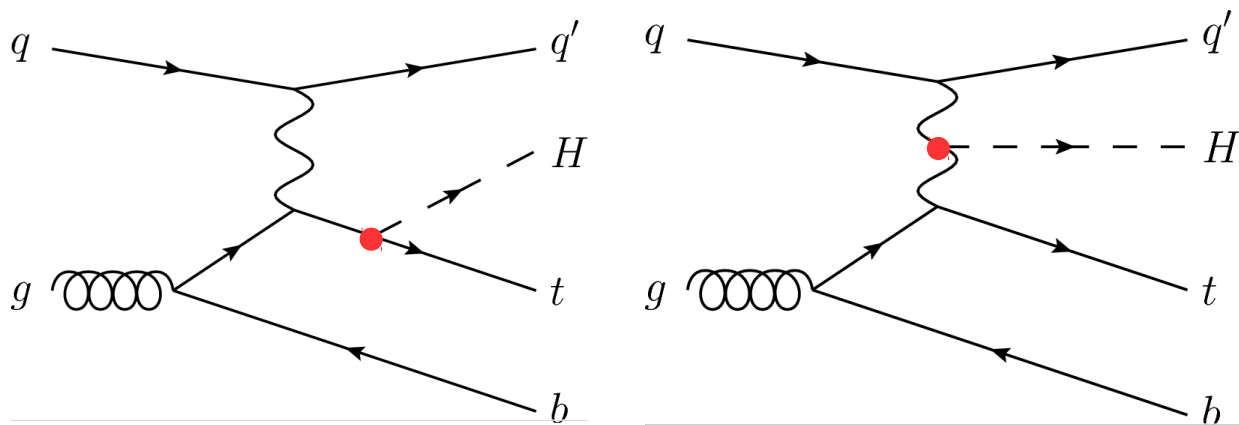
Blue band shows constraint from ggF

Also illustrates interplay with precision top measurements



Bramante, Delgado, Martin PRD 89, 093006 (2014)

- SM has destructive interference between H emission from top and from W: if relative sign of top coupling flips, have large constructive interference
- Can resolve sign ambiguity between fermionic and bosonic Higgs couplings
 - interesting interplay with $\text{Br}(H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma)$, which also depends on $\text{HWW}/\text{H}t\bar{t}$ interference



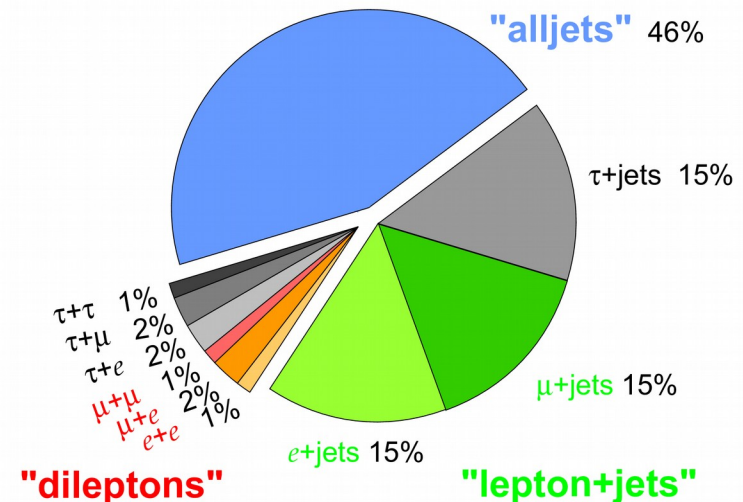
Finding ttH

- Signature is top pair decay + Higgs decay
- Top quarks decay $\sim 100\%$ via $t \rightarrow W b$
 - W decays 68% of the time to quarks, $\sim 11\%$ to each of e, μ , τ
- Top quark pair can be dileptonic, semileptonic ("lepton+jets"), or all hadronic
 - dileptonic with e and $\mu \sim 4\%$ of $t\bar{t}$ decays
 - all hadronic must be separated from pure QCD multijet events

Top Pair Decay Channels

$\bar{c}s$	electron+jets	muon+jets	tau+jets	all-hadronic	
$\bar{u}d$					
τ^-					
μ^-	e μ	$\mu\tau$	$\tau\tau$	tau+jets	
e^-	e e	e μ	e τ	muon+jets	
W decay	e^+	μ^+	τ^+	$u\bar{d}$	$c\bar{s}$

Top Pair Branching Fractions



Diphotons

- Diphoton requirement makes channel so clean that main challenge is to reduce contamination from other Higgs production modes
 - A bump at 125 GeV is a Higgs: but is it ttH ? Contamination of 15-30% of other production
- Indirectly sensitive to tH (leptonic selection can be very loose)
 - Can imagine an additional “ tH ” category to improve sensitivity

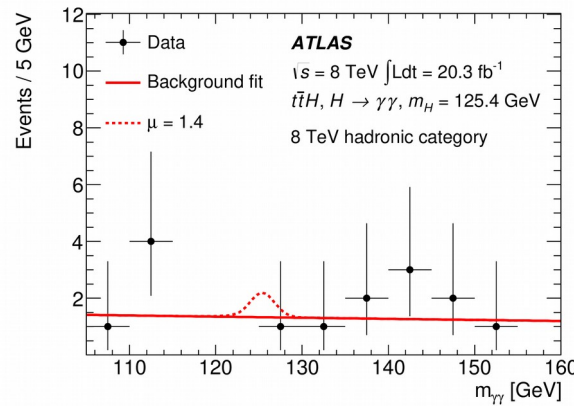
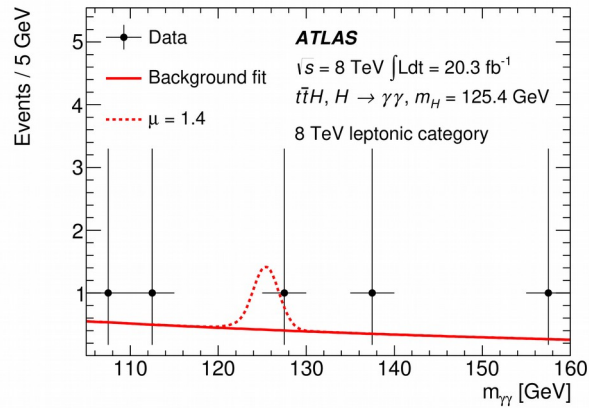
ATLAS $ttH, H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ purity

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Category	N_H	ggF	VBF	WH	ZH	$t\bar{t}H$	$tHqb$	WtH	N_B
7 TeV leptonic selection	0.10	0.6	0.1	14.9	4.0	72.6	5.3	2.5	$0.5^{+0.5}_{-0.3}$
7 TeV hadronic selection	0.07	10.5	1.3	1.3	1.4	80.9	2.6	1.9	$0.5^{+0.5}_{-0.3}$
8 TeV leptonic selection	0.58	1.0	0.2	8.1	2.3	80.3	5.6	2.6	$0.9^{+0.6}_{-0.4}$
8 TeV hadronic selection	0.49	7.3	1.0	0.7	1.3	84.2	3.4	2.1	$2.7^{+0.9}_{-0.7}$

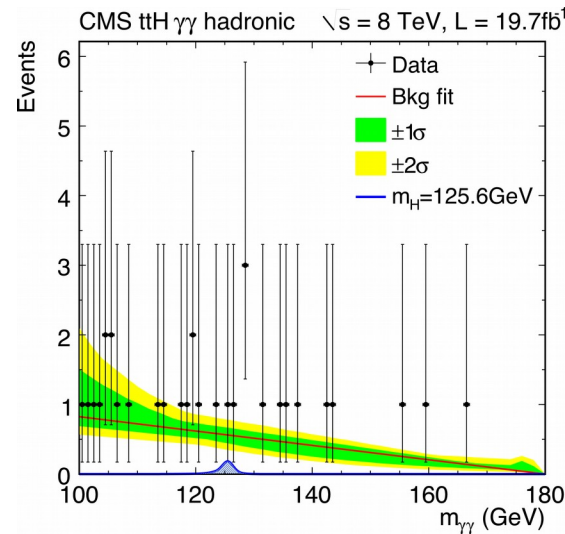
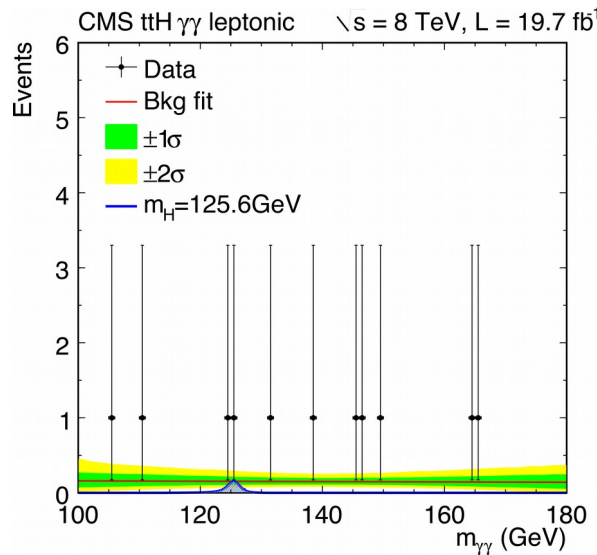
SM tH production

Diphoton Results



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$\mu < 6.7$ (4.9 exp) @95%



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$\mu < 7.4$ (4.7 exp) @95%

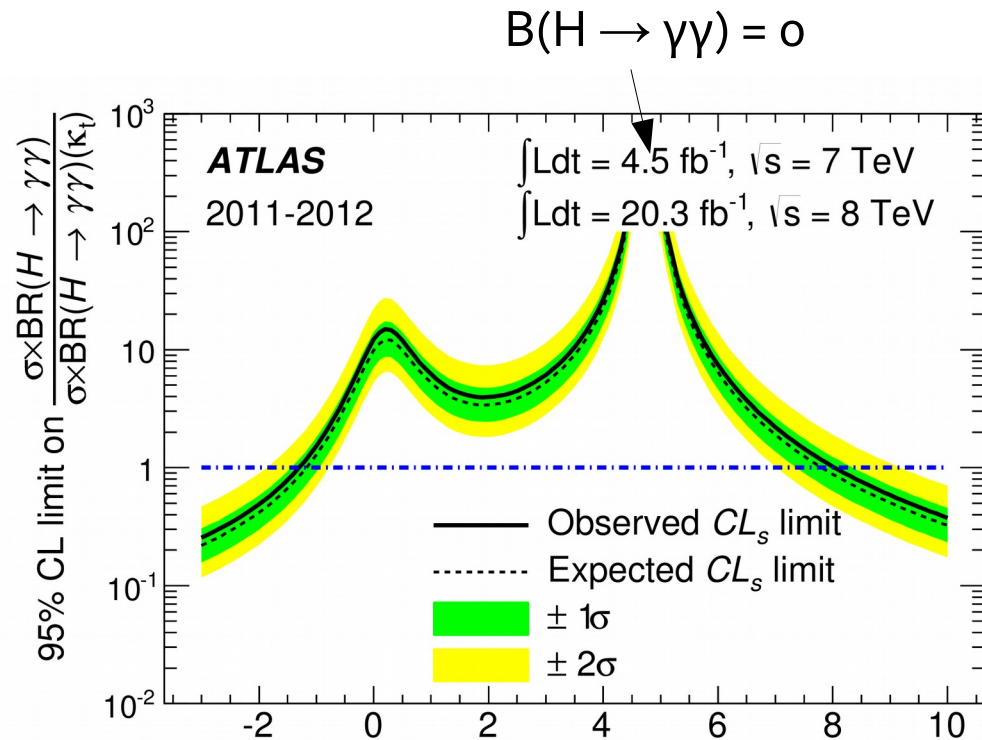
Assume $\mu_{\text{non-}t\bar{t}H} = 1$
 ($\mu = \text{scaling of observed rate in acceptance}$)

$t\bar{t}H, H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$

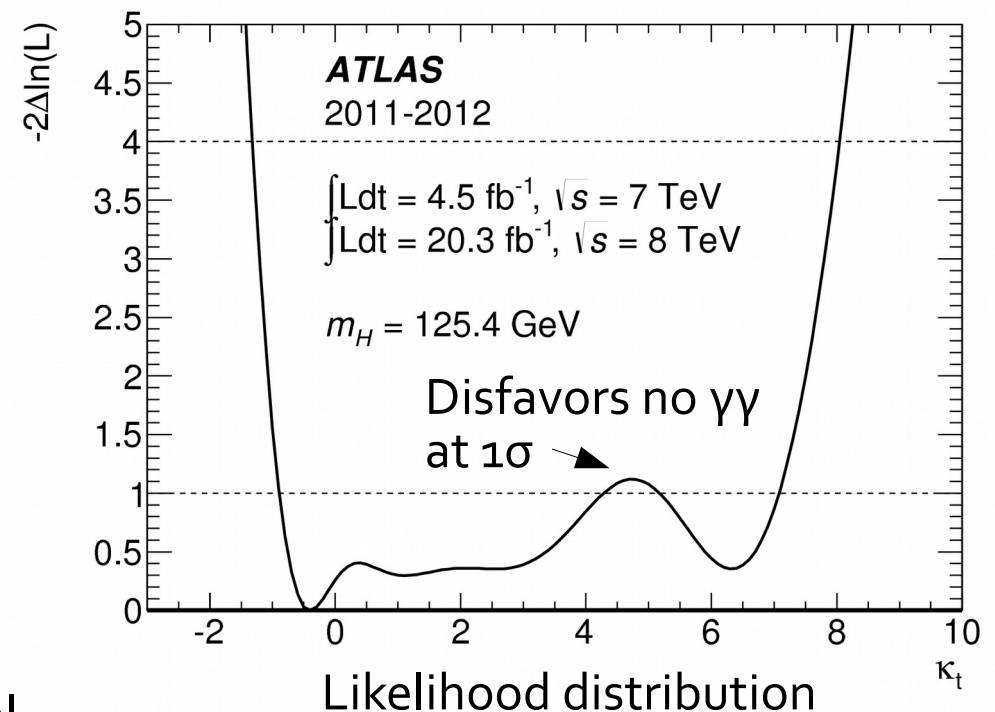
- Additional interpretation of ATLAS $t\bar{t}H[\gamma\gamma]$ search
- Scan κ_t : rule out $\kappa_t < -1.3$ and $\kappa_t > 8.0$ at 95% CL

κ_x = scaling factor for
 X - H coupling

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“One-sided limit” - null hypothesis is zero signal



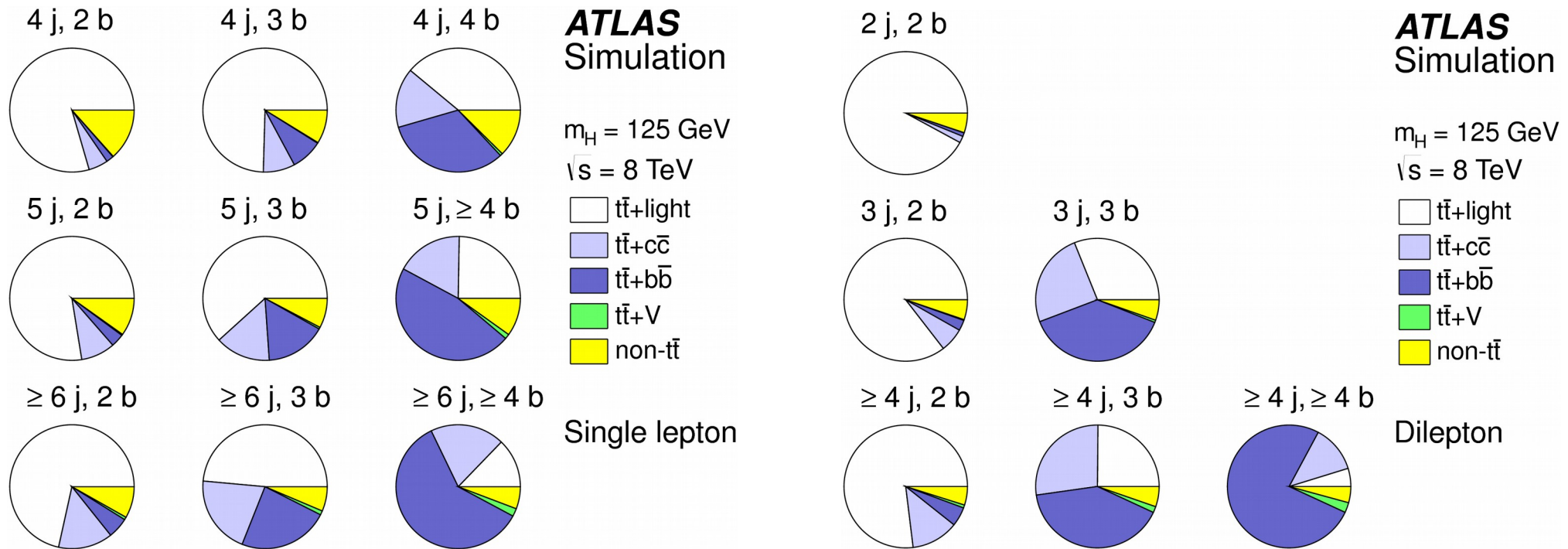
$H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$

- $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$ is 58% of the SM Higgs width @ 125 GeV
 - Mass resolution is much worse than for $\gamma\gamma$
 - Background ($t\bar{t}$ + heavy flavor jets) tricky to model
- Strategy: sort events by number of jets and b-tags, then in each channel classify events
 - if you're feeling sophisticated, use a neural network or matrix element methods
 - use background-rich channels to constrain background and detector systematics
 - sensitivity depends somewhat on where you place your jet p_T cut
- Only lepton+jets and dilepton channels shown by experiments so far

ATLAS: *EPJC* 75 349 (2015)
CMS: *JHEP* 09(2014) 087
CMS matrix element: *EPJC* 75 251 (2015)

Backgrounds

- dominated by $t\bar{t}$ + heavy flavor jets in all signal-rich regions



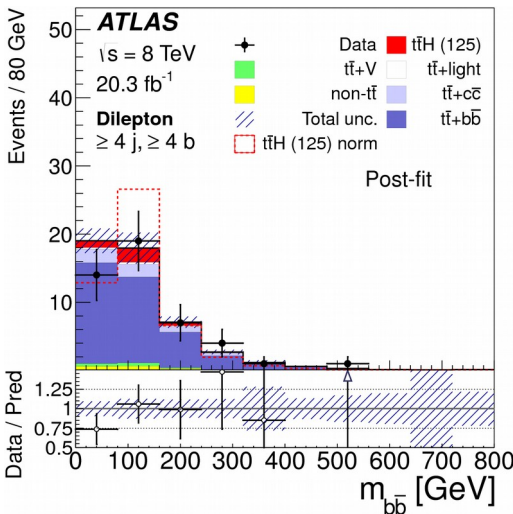
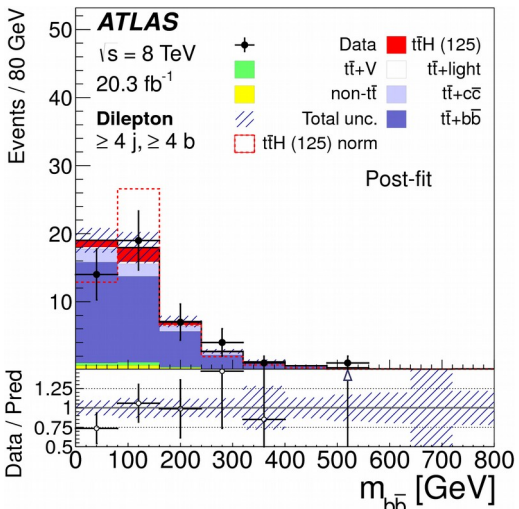
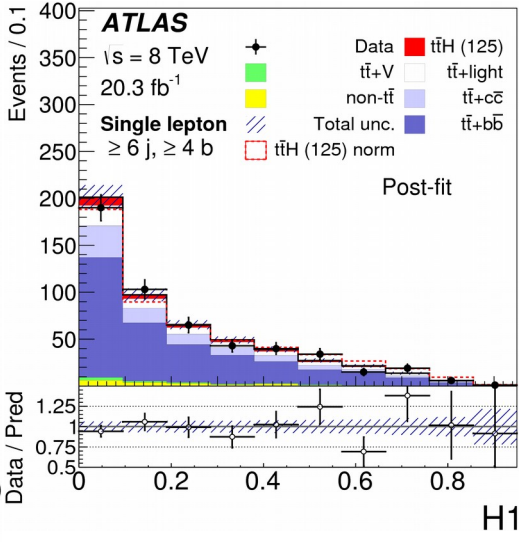
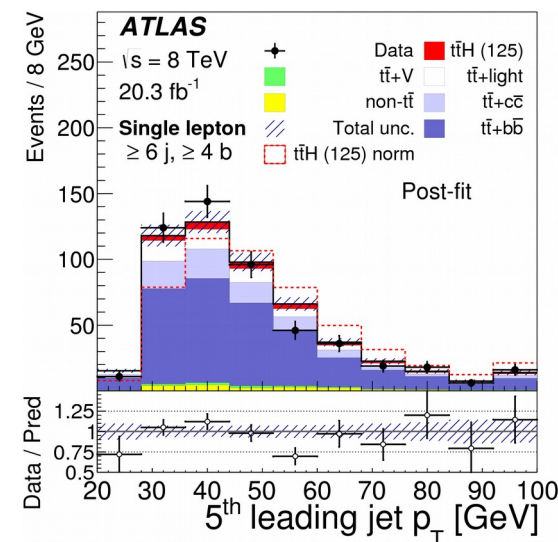
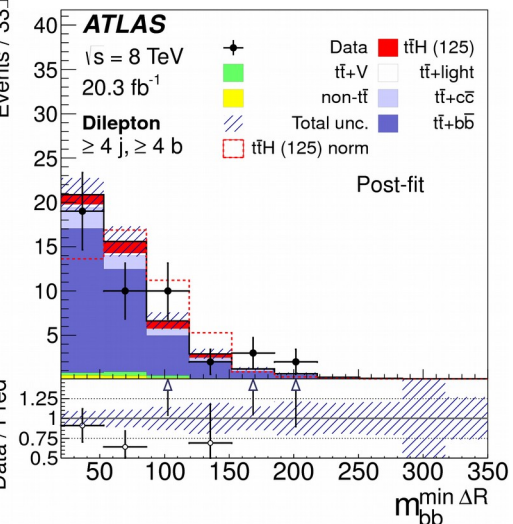
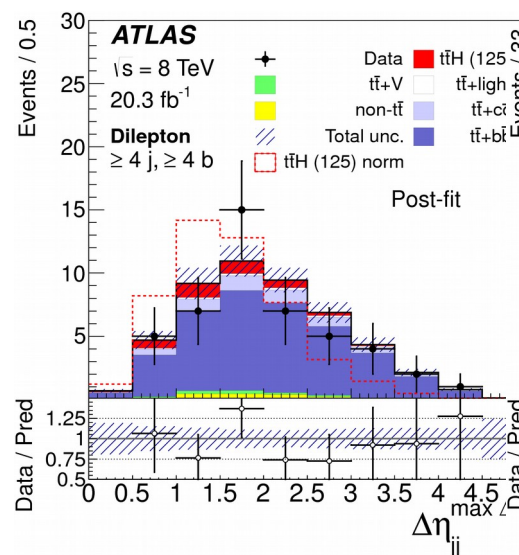
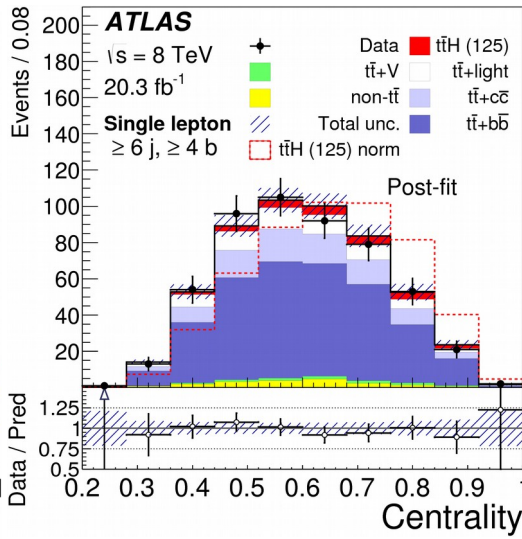
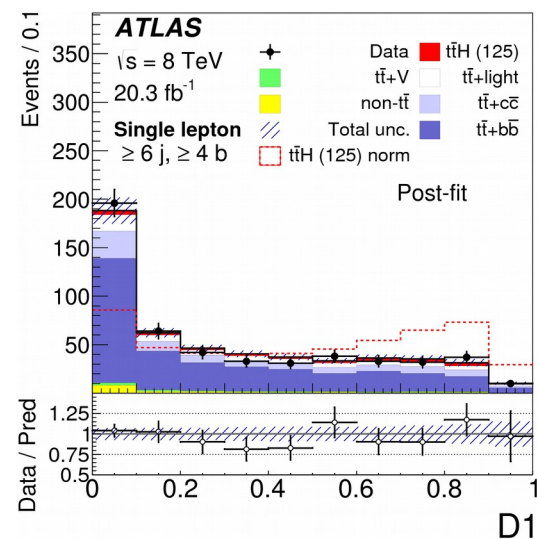
Variable Modeling

- Four highest ranked variables shown

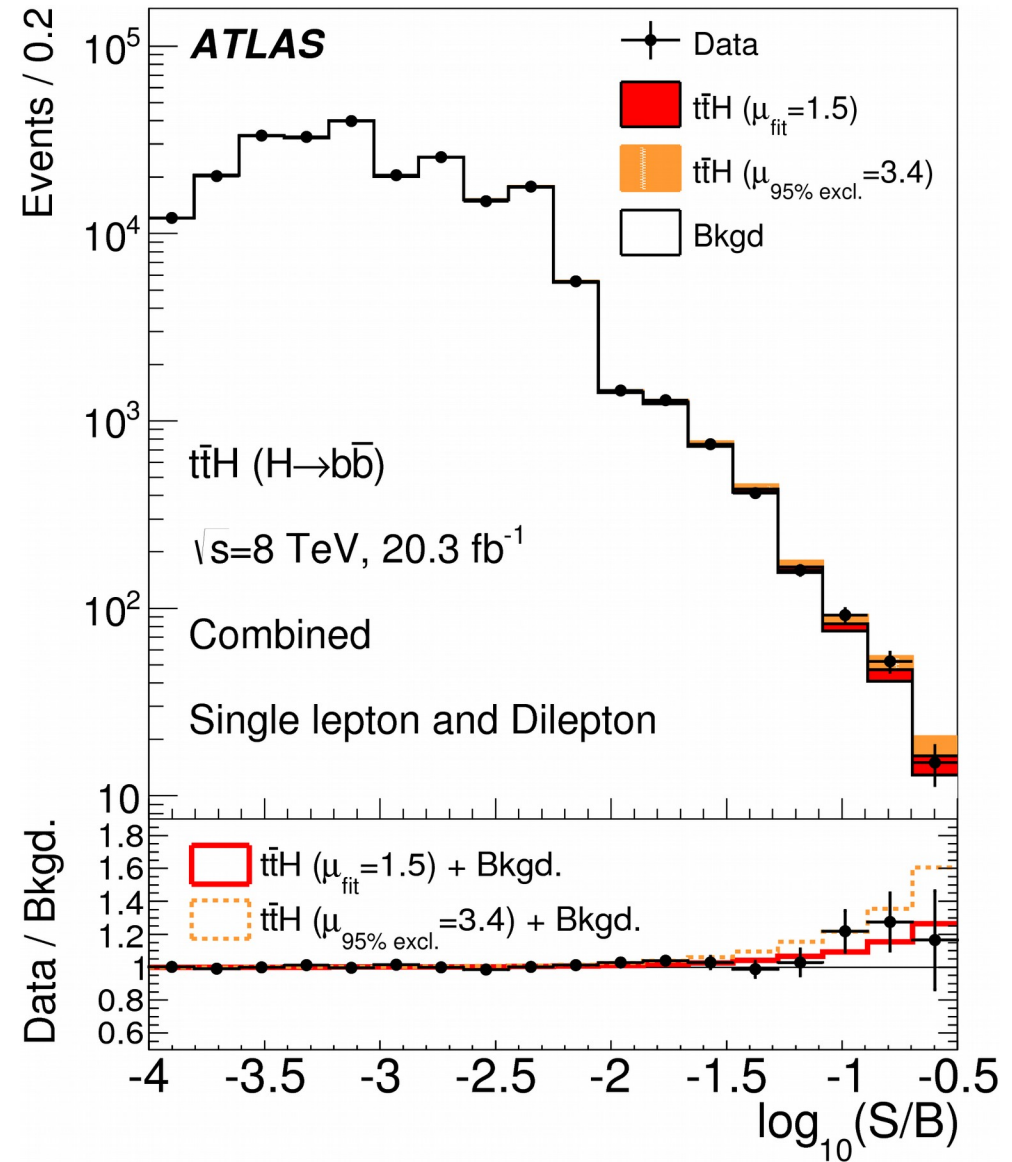
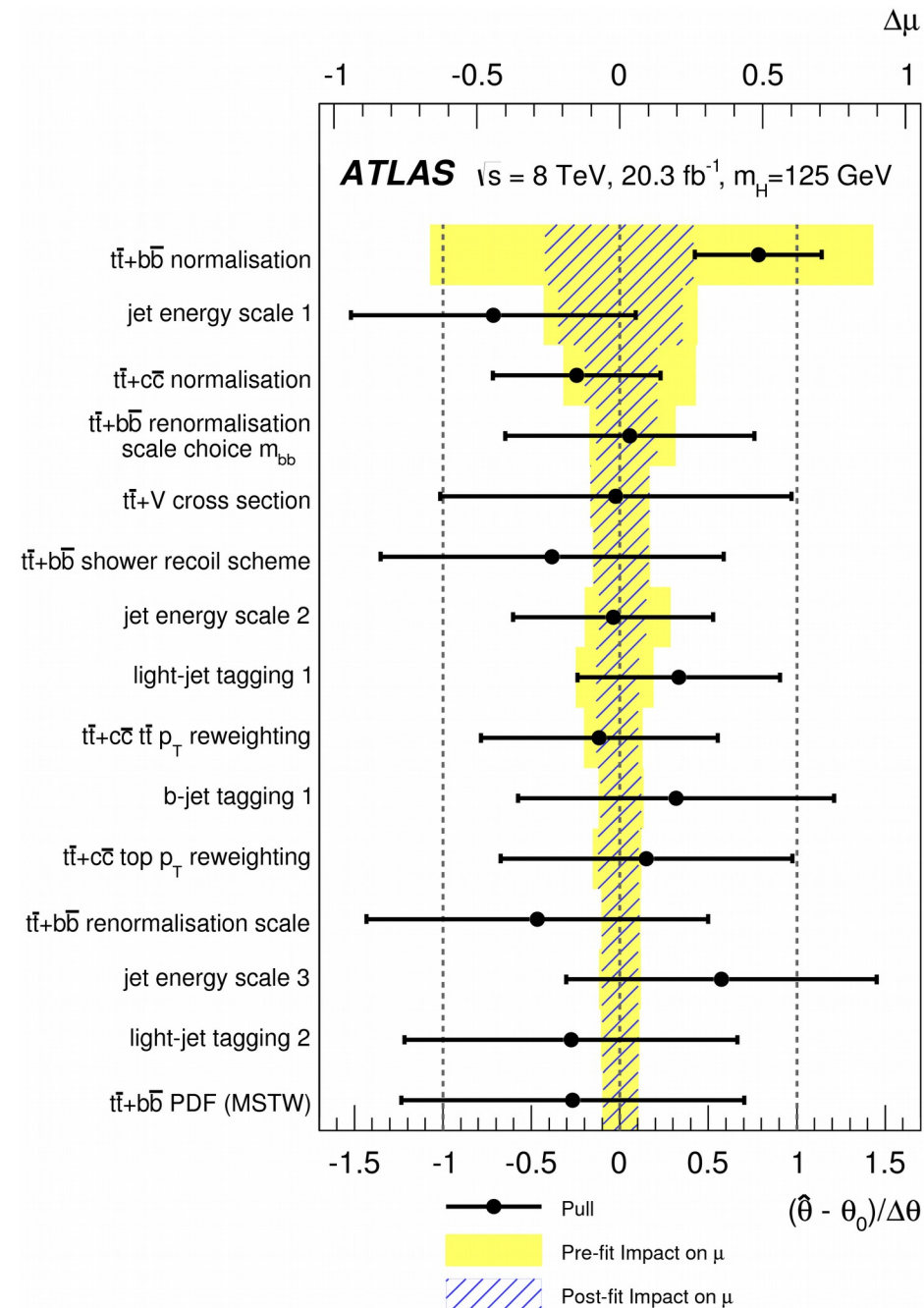
$$D1 = \frac{\mathcal{L}_{t\bar{t}H}}{\mathcal{L}_{t\bar{t}H} + 0.23 \cdot \mathcal{L}_{t\bar{t}+b\bar{b}}}$$

$l+jets \geq 6j, \geq 4b$

dilepton $\geq 4j, \geq 4b$

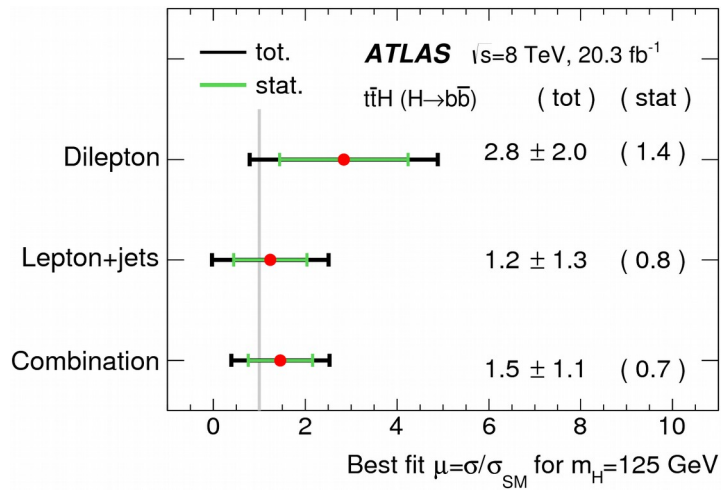


Fit Results



Results

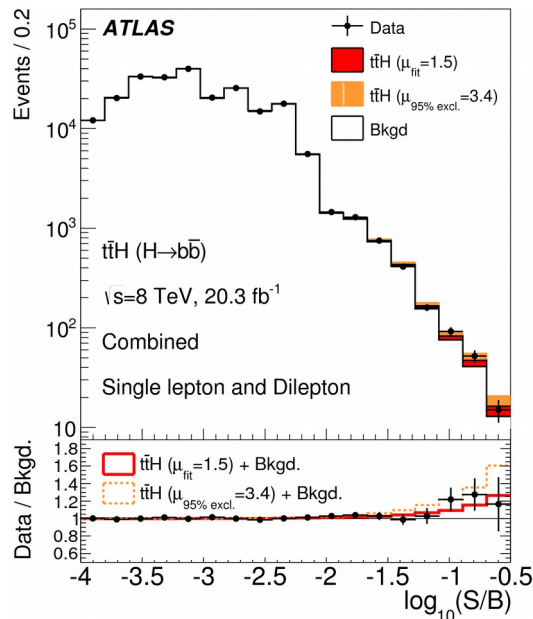
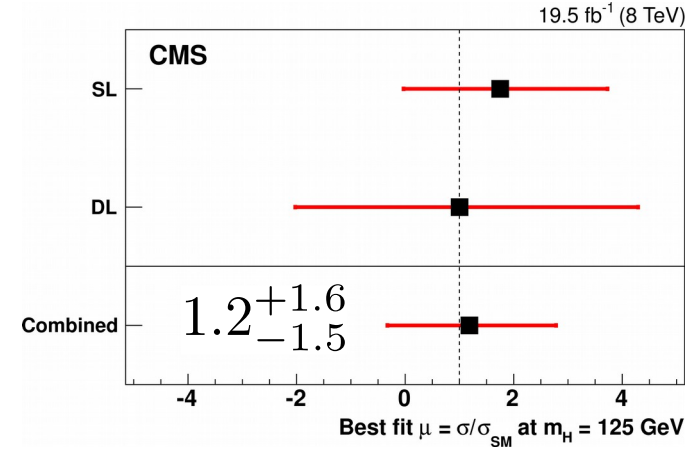
ATLAS



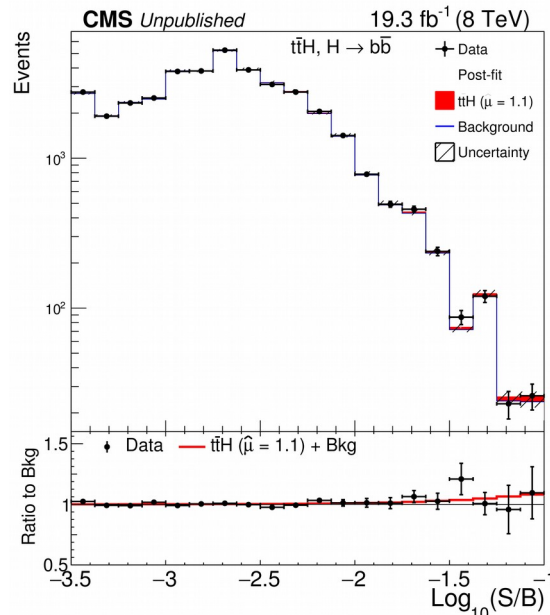
CMS nominal

$$0.7 \pm 1.9$$

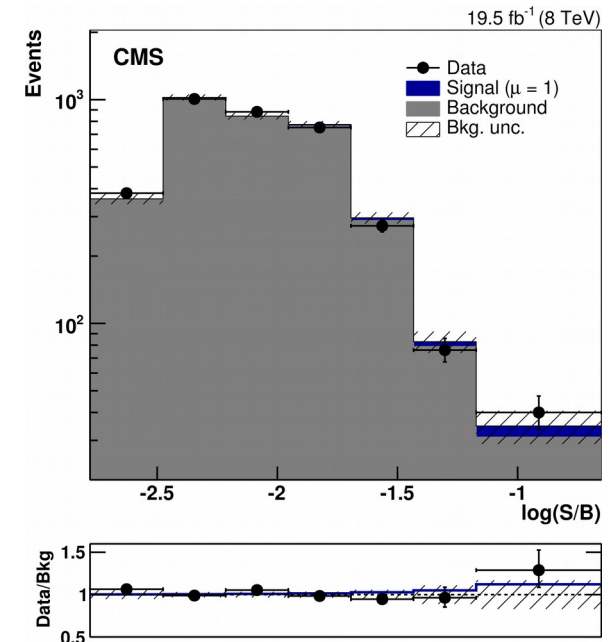
CMS matrix element



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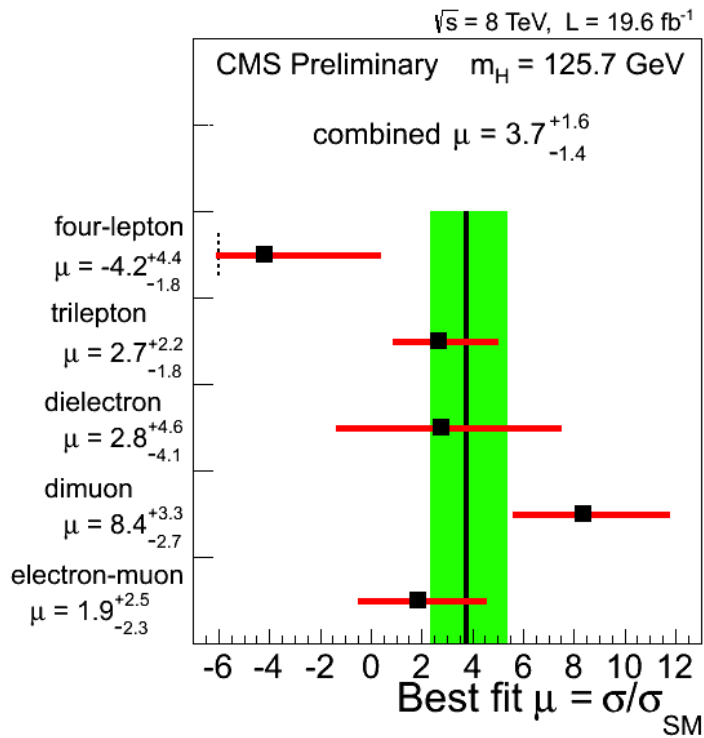
$ttH, H \rightarrow WW/\tau\tau$

- Complex topology: $WWWWbb$ or $\tau\tau WWbb$
 - rich set of final states with high multiplicities
 - backgrounds mostly $tt + \text{EWK}$, not $tt + \text{QCD}$
- Take advantage of final states not reachable from tt production
 - ≥ 3 leptons, or 2 same sign leptons
- $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$ worth exploiting
 - $\sigma(ttZ)$ and $\sigma(ttH)$ similar: no overwhelming Z bkg to $H \rightarrow \tau\tau$

ATLAS	Higgs boson decay mode			
	WW^*	$\tau\tau$	ZZ^*	other
2 ℓ same sign 0 τ	80%	15%	3%	2%
3 ℓ	74%	15%	7%	4%
2 ℓ same sign 1 τ	35%	62%	2%	1%
4 ℓ	69%	14%	14%	4%
1 ℓ 2 τ	4%	93%	0%	3%

ATLAS: *PLB 749 519 (2015)*
CMS: *JHEP 09(2014) 087*
+ *CMS-PAS-HIG-2013-020*

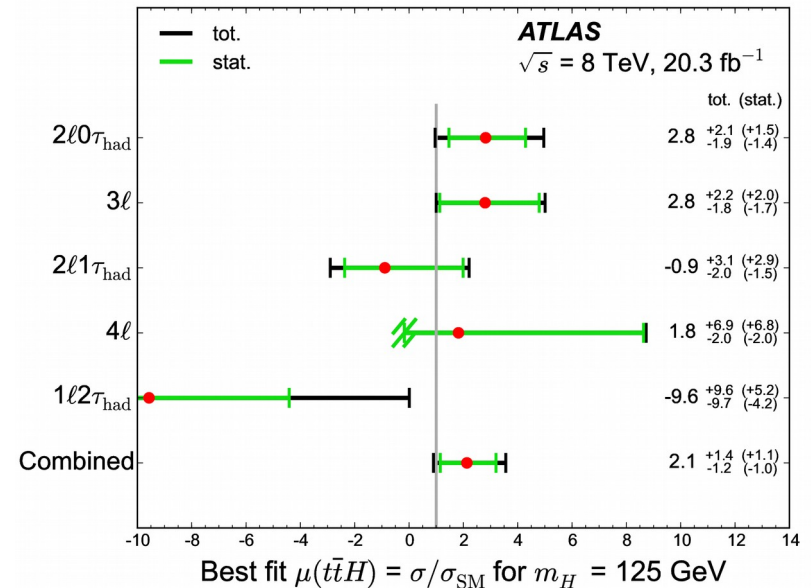
$t\bar{t}H, H \rightarrow WW/\tau\tau$



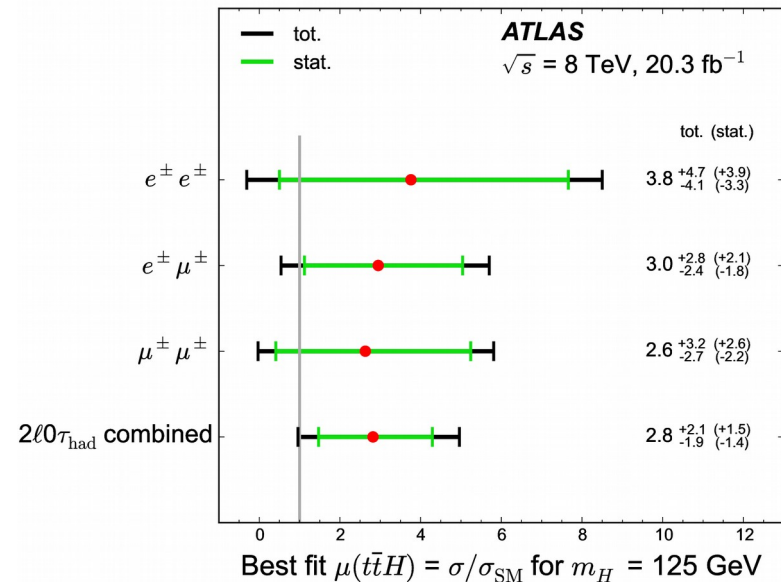
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Nothing apparently wrong with CMS $\mu\mu$

ATLAS does not see dimuon excess;
combined results very compatible



ATLAS: PLB 749 519 (2015)



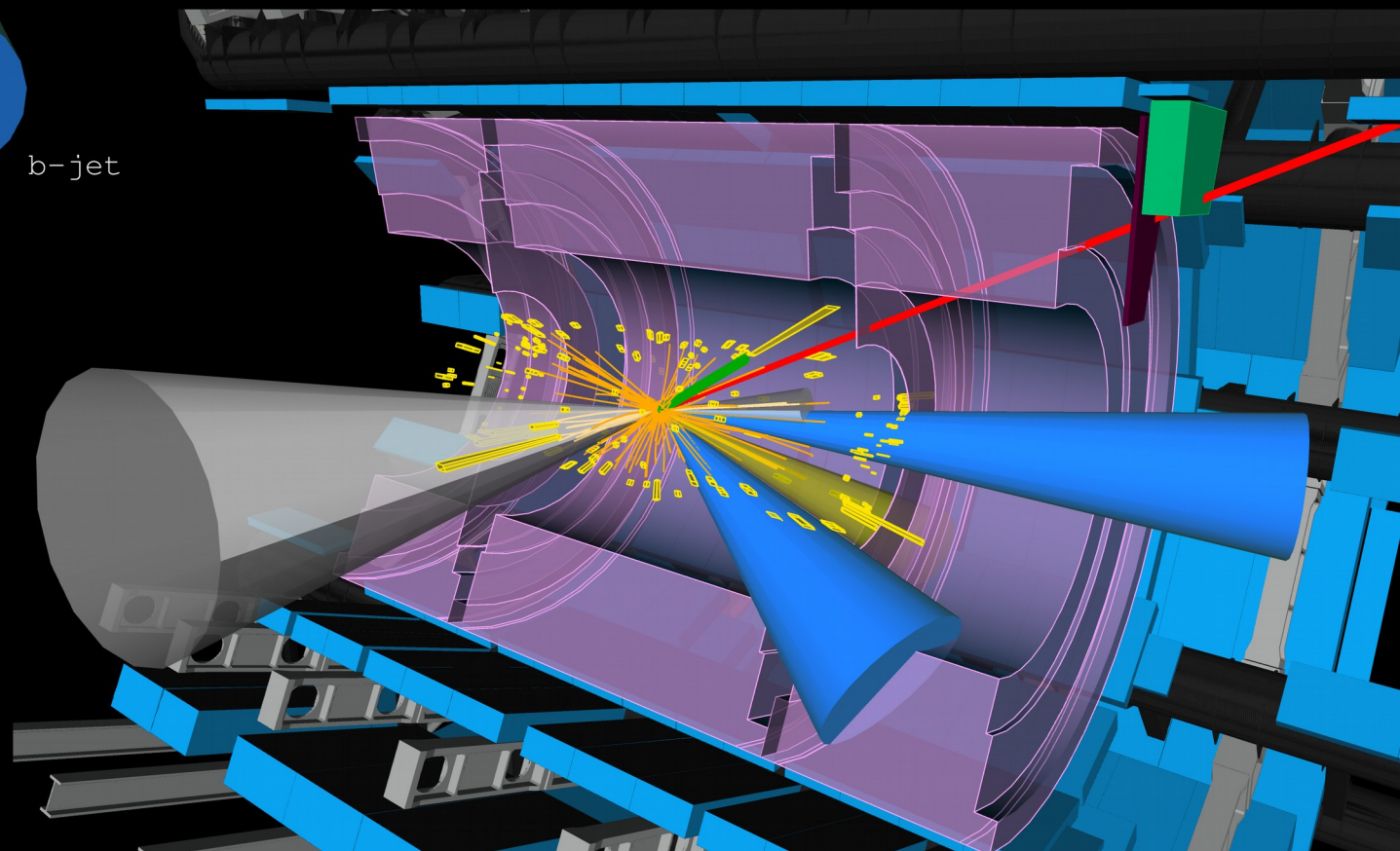
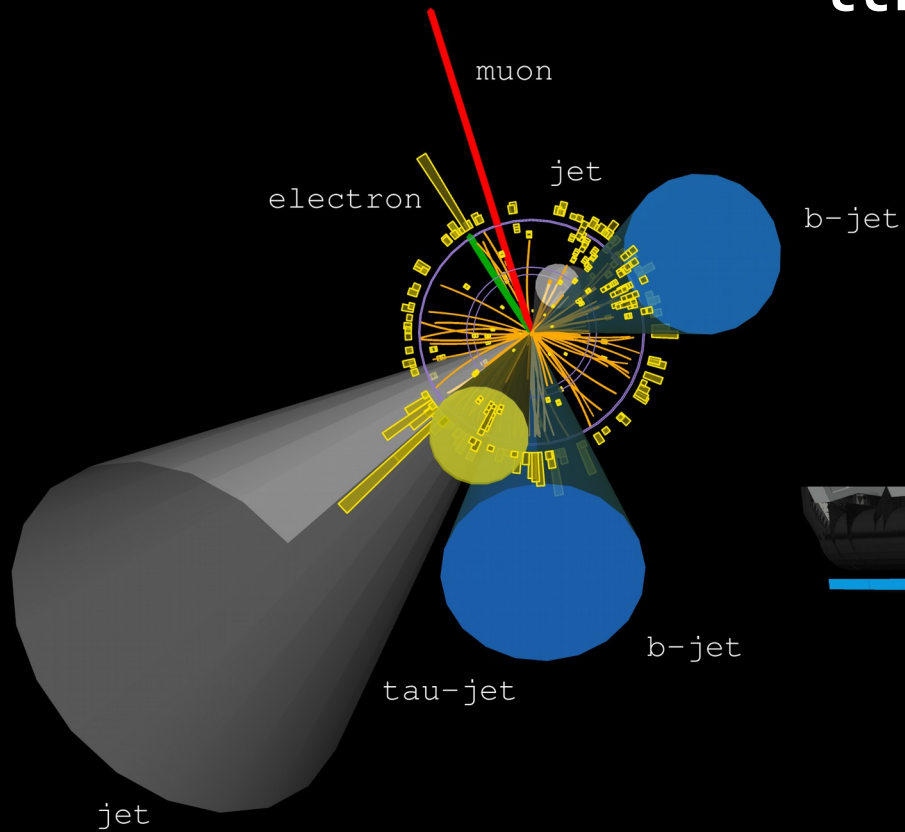
$t\bar{t}H$ 2ℓ 1τ candidate



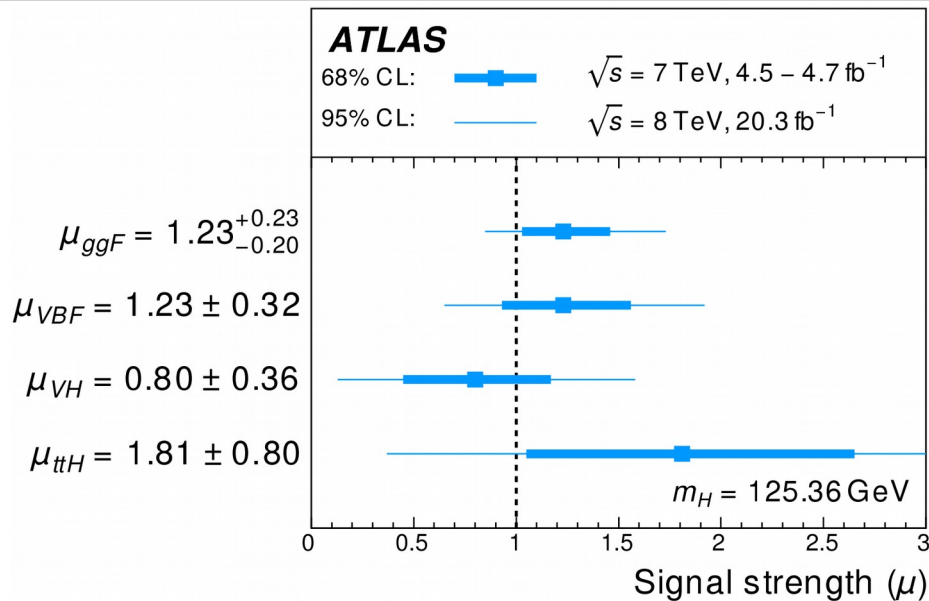
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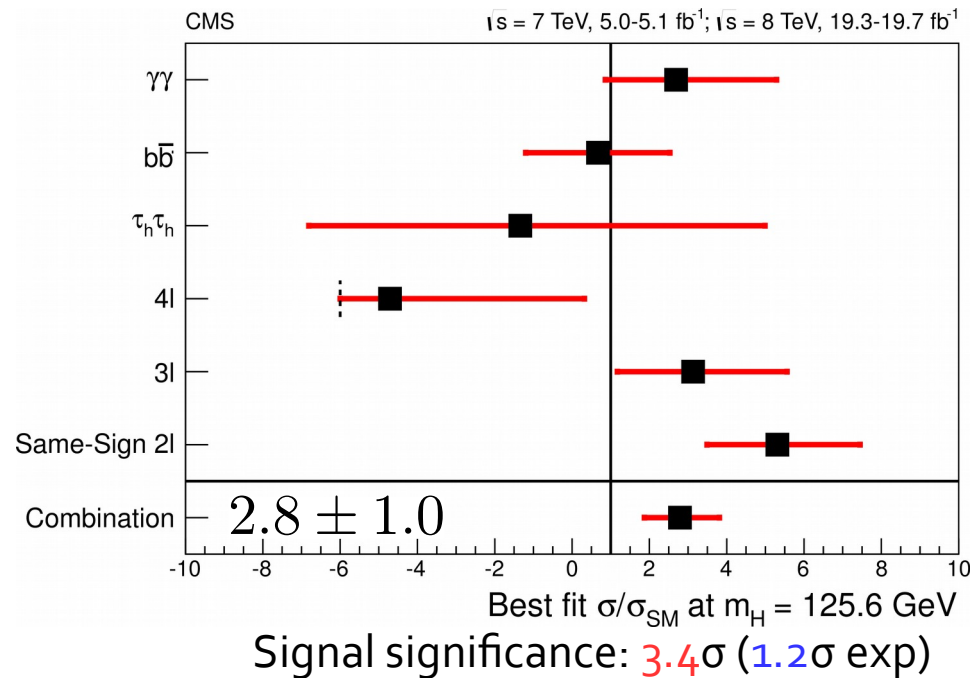


Combination



Signal significance: 2.4σ (1.5σ exp)

Full ATLAS combo:
PLB 749 519 (2015)



CMS ttH combo:
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Production process	Measured significance (σ)	Expected significance (σ)
VBF	5.4	4.7
WH	2.4	2.7
ZH	2.3	2.9
VH	3.5	4.2
ttH	4.4	2.0
Decay channel		
$H \rightarrow \tau\tau$	5.5	5.0
$H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$	2.6	3.7

Production process	ATLAS+CMS	ATLAS	CMS
μ_{ggF}	$1.03^{+0.17}_{-0.15}$	$1.25^{+0.24}_{-0.21}$	$0.84^{+0.19}_{-0.16}$
μ_{VBF}	$1.18^{+0.25}_{-0.23}$	$1.21^{+0.33}_{-0.30}$	$1.13^{+0.37}_{-0.34}$
μ_{WH}	$0.88^{+0.40}_{-0.38}$	$1.25^{+0.56}_{-0.52}$	$0.46^{+0.57}_{-0.54}$
μ_{ZH}	$0.80^{+0.39}_{-0.36}$	$0.30^{+0.51}_{-0.46}$	$1.35^{+0.58}_{-0.54}$
μ_{ttH}	$2.3^{+0.7}_{-0.6}$	$1.9^{+0.8}_{-0.7}$	$2.9^{+1.0}_{-0.9}$

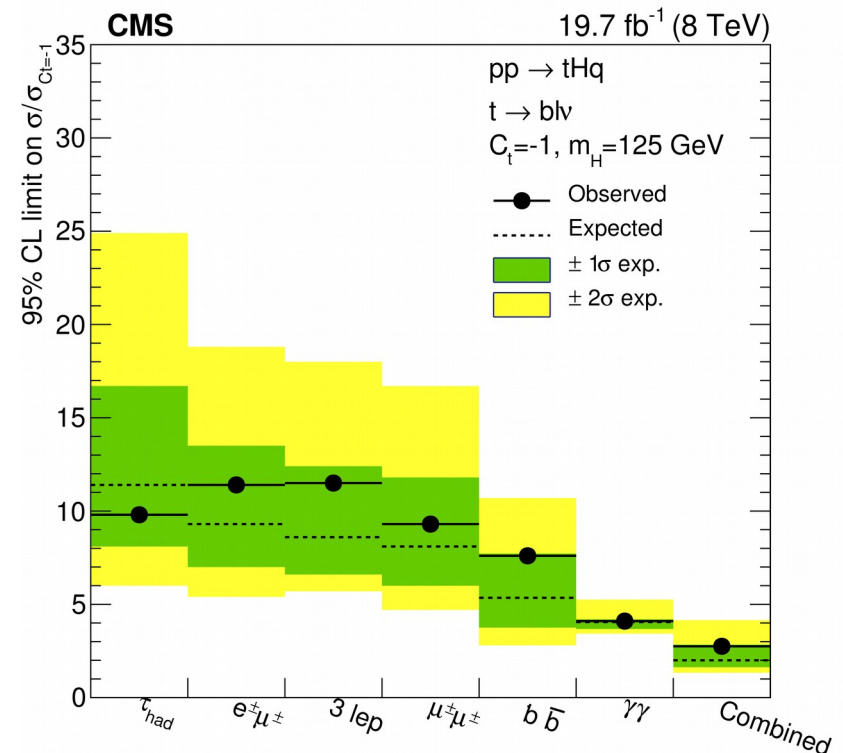
ATLAS+CMS combo:
ATLAS-CONF-2015-044
CMS-PAS-HIG-15-002

SM ttH sensitivity is on the way!

Dedicated tH searches

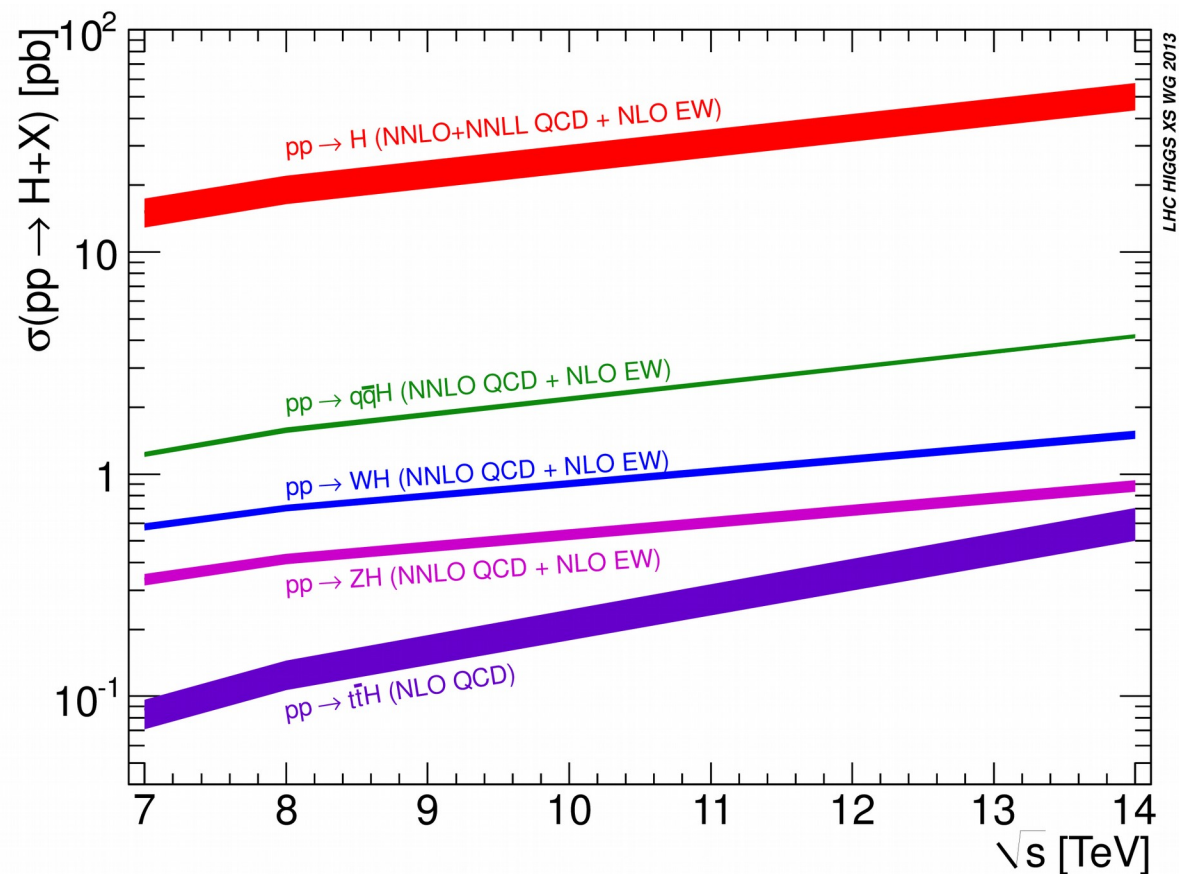
- CMS has done dedicated tH searches (vetoing ttH) in $\gamma\gamma$, bb, WW, $\tau\tau$
 - dominated by diphoton
- Results quoted relative to reversed top Yukawa coupling (maximal constructive interference – x10 SM)
- Combined $\mu < 2.8\times$ non-SM (2.0 exp)

Combination:
1509.08159, sub to JHEP



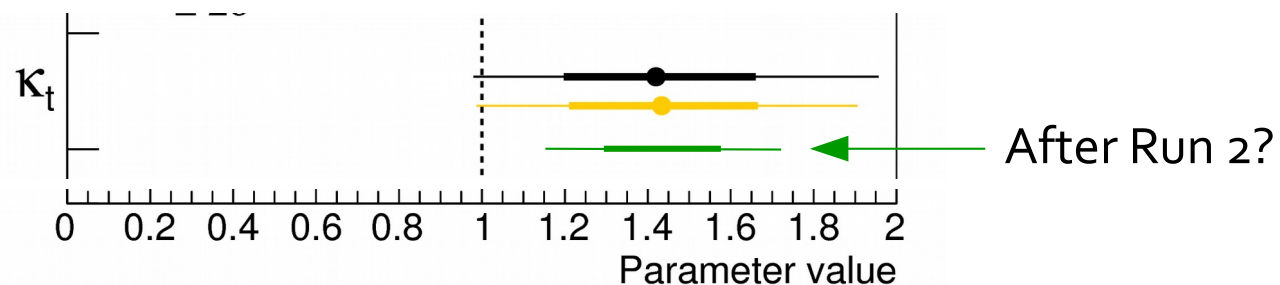
Run 2 for ttH

- Each fb^{-1} worth more @ 13 TeV
 - $\sigma(\text{ttH})$ up a factor ~ 4
 - however, expect more pileup, and tt+X production has more jet activity: reoptimization work needs to be done



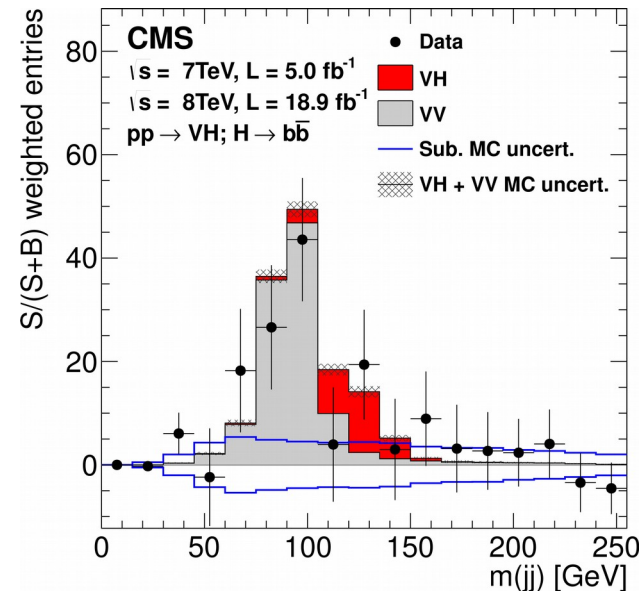
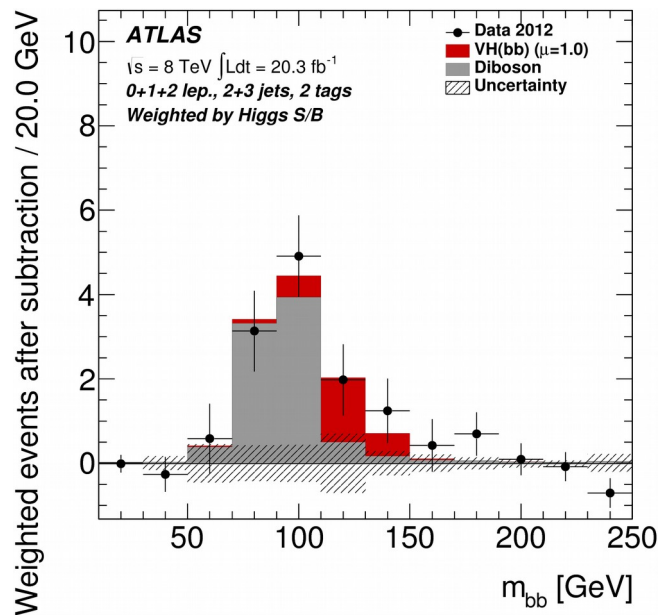
ttH Projections

- ttH has advantage of having many decay modes with quite different systematics
 - e.g. with more data $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$, $(ttH) \rightarrow 4\ell b\bar{b}$ becomes very relevant
- Personal opinion: a good chance of 5σ sensitivity for SM signal *per experiment* with full Run 2 dataset
 - combination of channels necessary
 - $\approx \pm 10\%$ on coupling
 - theory systematics become relevant
- tH analyses will also progress



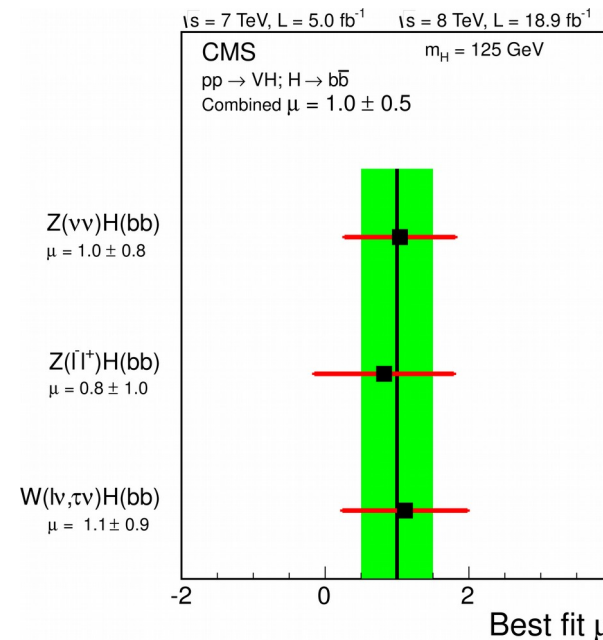
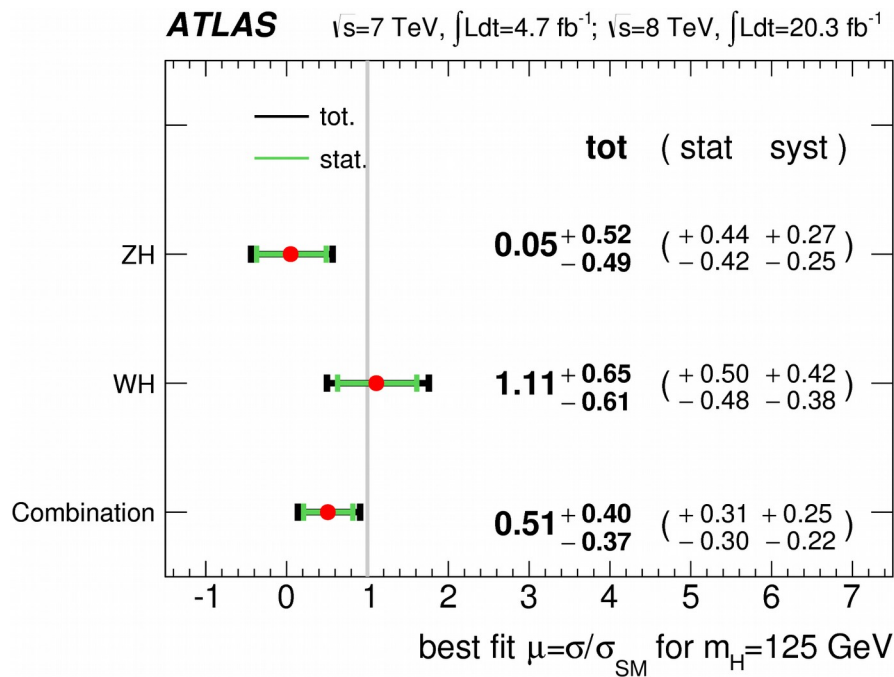
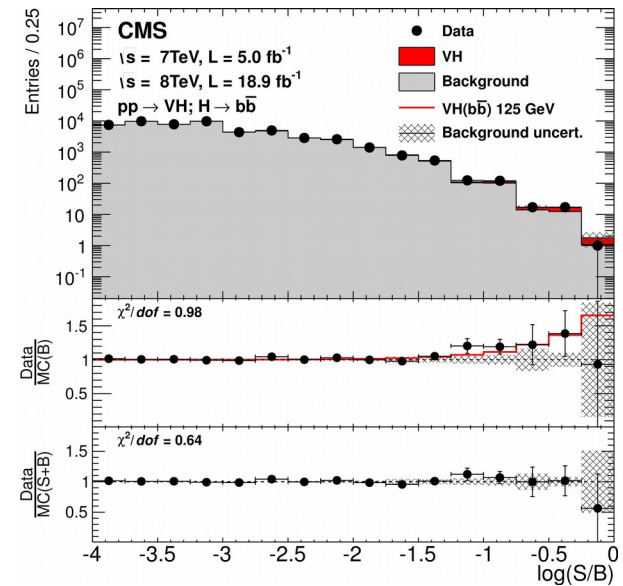
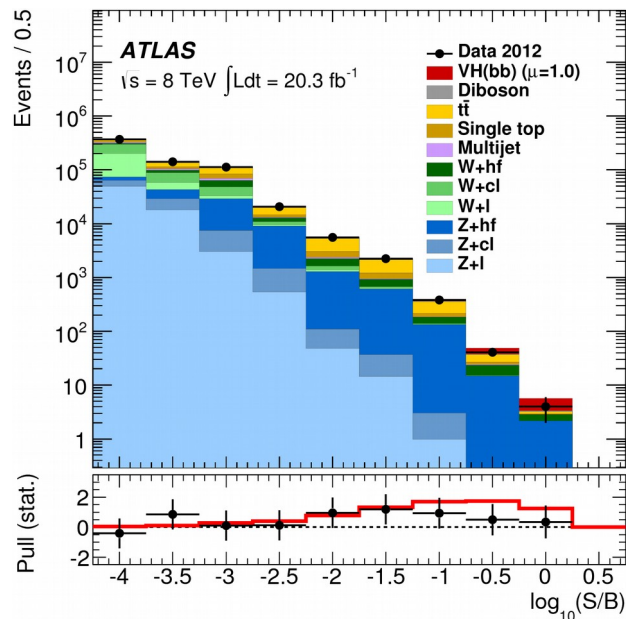
VH, H \rightarrow bb

- Use $Z \rightarrow \ell\ell$, $W \rightarrow \ell\nu$, $Z \rightarrow \nu\nu$ decays (2/1/0 leptons)
 - enhance S/B by looking separately at high $p_T(V)$ categories
 - combine b-tagging info with kinematics in MVA
- Sensitive to $t\bar{t}$, W/Z + heavy flavor jet modeling
- Validate with (W/Z)Z, $Z \rightarrow b\bar{b}$ search



ATLAS: JHEP 01(2015) 069
CMS: PRD 89 012003 (2014)
CMS Update: EPJC 75 212 (2015)

VH, H \rightarrow bb results



qq \rightarrow ZH only

With gg \rightarrow ZH,
 combined $\mu = 0.9 \pm 0.4$

ATLAS: JHEP 01(2015) 069

CMS: PRD 89 012003 (2014)
 CMS Update: EPJC 75 212 (2015)

VBF $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$

- Topology: light quark jets with large rapidity gap, little activity in between except for $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$ candidate
- all-hadronic final state: trigger is an issue
 - pick out VBF-like topologies in trigger
- BDT to choose most likely b-jets; additional variables to
 - separate q from g jets
 - reject QCD multijet production
- Fit $m_{b\bar{b}}$

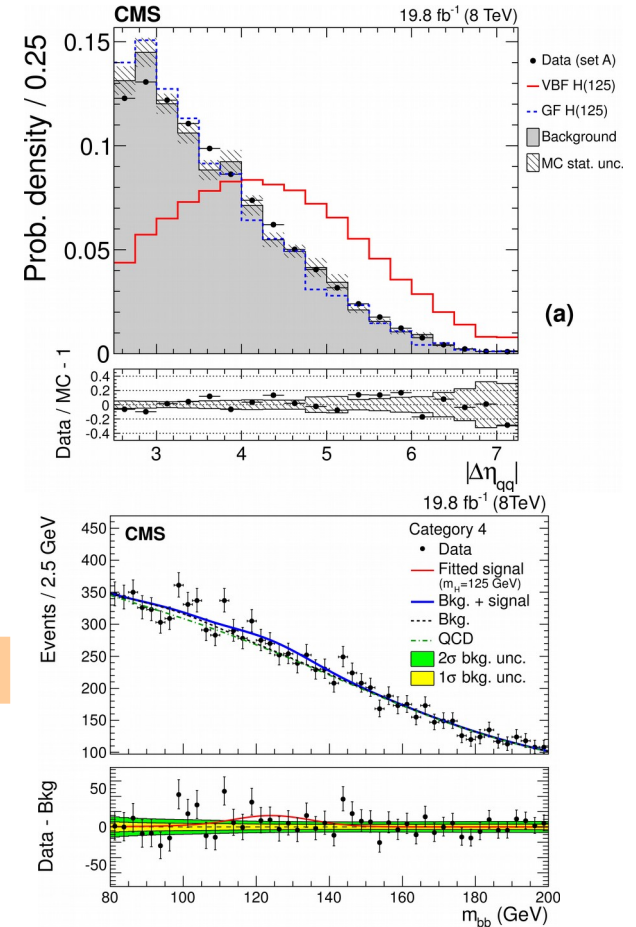
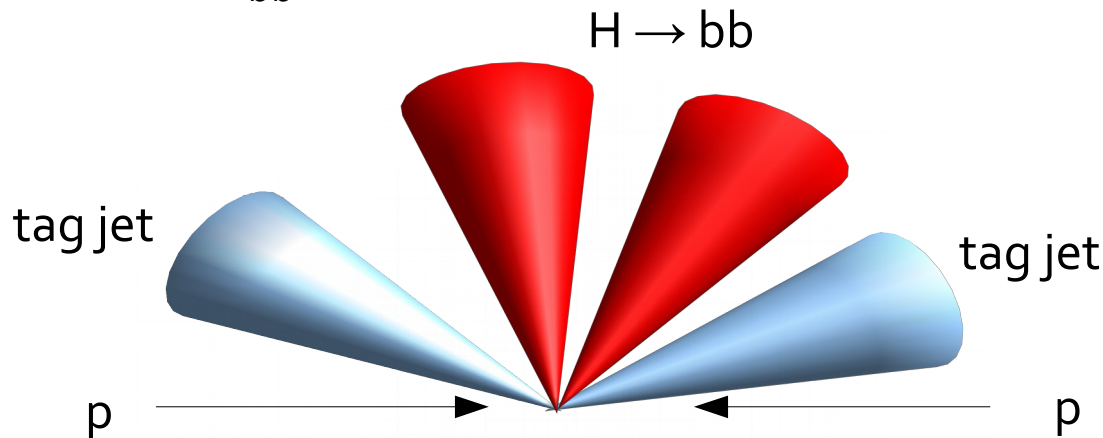
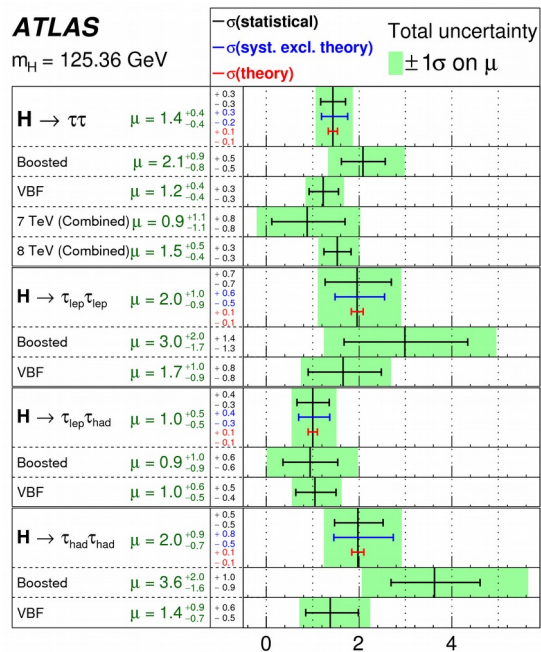


TABLE V. Observed and expected 95% CL limits, best fit values on the signal strength parameter $\mu = \sigma/\sigma_{\text{SM}}$ and signal significances for $m_H = 125$ GeV, for each $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$ channel and their combination.

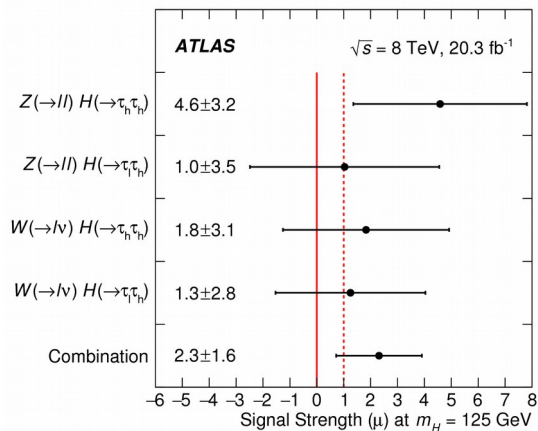
$H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$ Channel	Best fit (68% CL)	Upper limits (95% CL)		Signal significance	
	Observed	Observed	Expected	Observed	Expected
VH	0.89 ± 0.43	1.68	0.85	2.08	2.52
$t\bar{t}H$	0.7 ± 1.8	4.1	3.5	0.37	0.58
VBF	$2.8^{+1.6}_{-1.4}$	5.5	2.5	2.20	0.83
Combined	$1.03^{+0.44}_{-0.42}$	1.77	0.78	2.56	2.70

H → ττ

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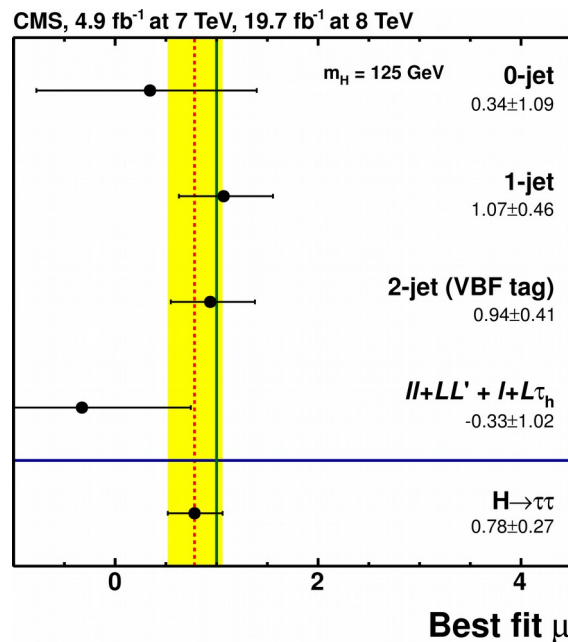


$\sqrt{s} = 7$ TeV, 4.5 fb^{-1}
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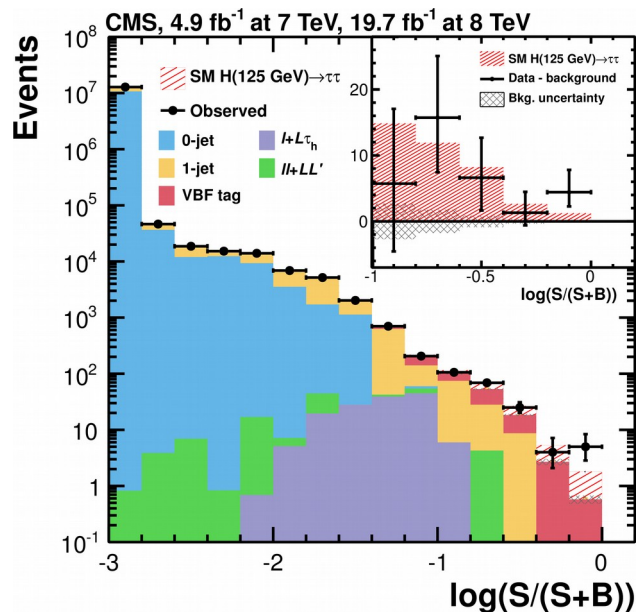


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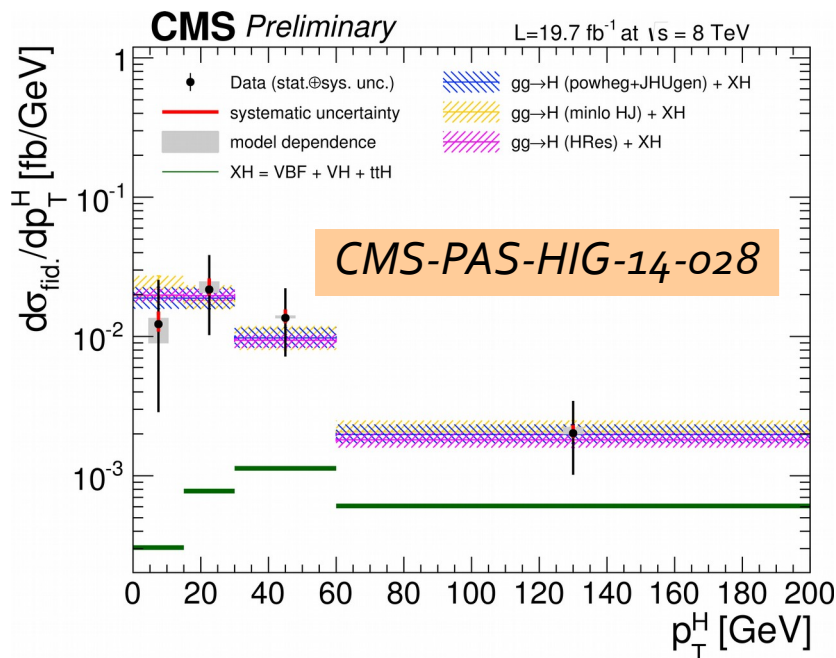
Significance
 ATLAS 4.5σ obs (3.4σ exp)
 CMS 3.8σ obs (3.9σ exp)



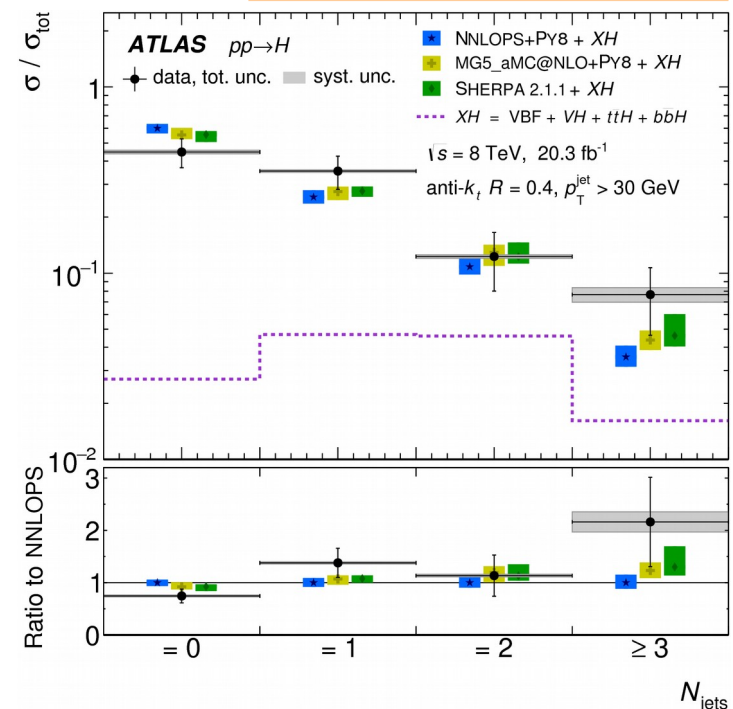
Differential cross sections

- High-resolution modes $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$, $H \rightarrow 4\ell$ allow us to extract differential distributions in Higgs kinematic properties
 - e.g. look for deviations from SM at high p_T , #jets, ...
- Will benefit enormously from more statistics

ATLAS $\gamma\gamma$: *JHEP 09(2014) 112*
 ATLAS 4ℓ : *PLB 738 234 (2014)*
 ATLAS combo: *PRL 115 091801 (2015)*
 CMS $\gamma\gamma$: *1508.07819 (sub to EPJC)*
 CMS 4ℓ : *CMS-PAS-HIG-14-028*



PRL 115 091801 (2015)



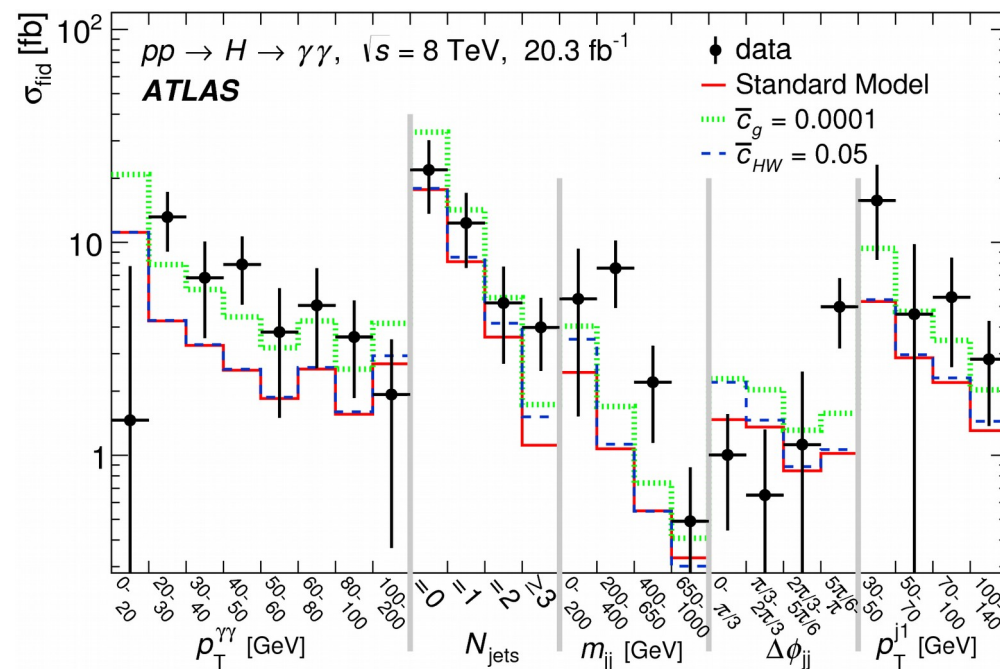
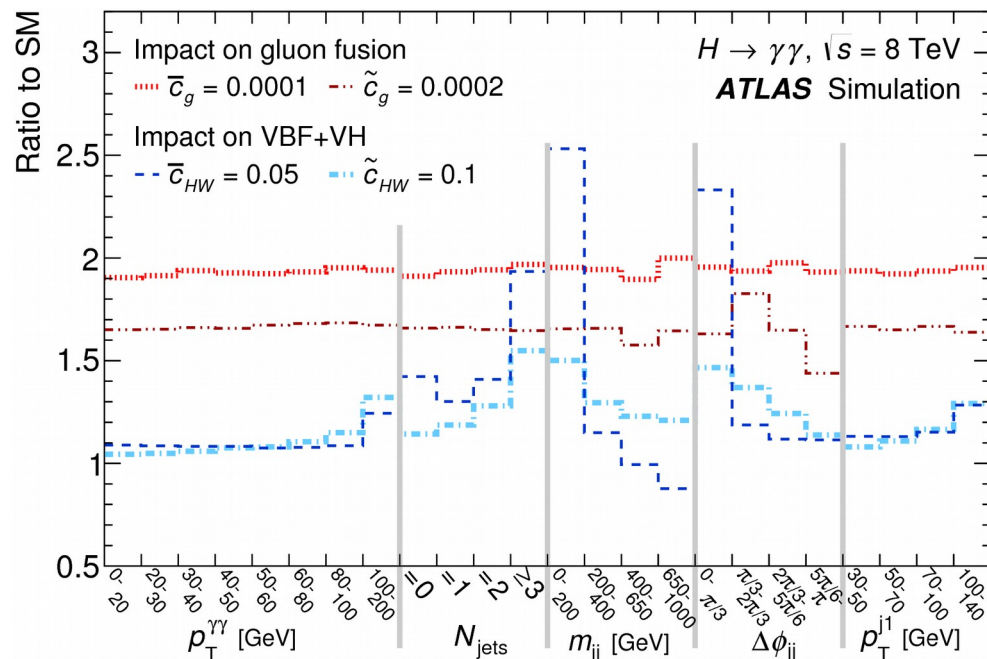
EFT probe

- Effective field theory analysis: fit $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ differential distribution allowing for dimension six operators
 - sensitive to Hgg interaction through ggF, to HVV via VBF+VH production

1508.02507, sub to PLB

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}} = \begin{array}{ll} \text{H}\gamma\gamma & \text{Hgg} & \text{HWW/HZZ/HZ}\gamma \\ \bar{c}_\gamma O_\gamma + \bar{c}_g O_g + \bar{c}_{HW} O_{HW} + \bar{c}_{HB} O_{HB} & \text{CP-even} \\ + \tilde{c}_\gamma \tilde{O}_\gamma + \tilde{c}_g \tilde{O}_g + \tilde{c}_{HW} \tilde{O}_{HW} + \tilde{c}_{HB} \tilde{O}_{HB}, & \text{CP-odd} \end{array}$$

Coefficient	95% 1 - CL limit
\bar{c}_γ	$[-7.4, 5.7] \times 10^{-4} \cup [3.8, 5.1] \times 10^{-3}$
\tilde{c}_γ	$[-1.8, 1.8] \times 10^{-3}$
\bar{c}_g	$[-0.7, 1.3] \times 10^{-4} \cup [-5.8, -3.8] \times 10^{-4}$
\tilde{c}_g	$[-2.4, 2.4] \times 10^{-4}$
\bar{c}_{HW}	$[-8.6, 9.2] \times 10^{-2}$
\tilde{c}_{HW}	$[-0.23, 0.23]$



“Simplified” Cross Sections

- Measurements typically reported as a ratio μ to SM (including theory errors)
 - Hard to recompute if theory changes
 - Potentially tie together very different phase space regions
 - Hard to understand how effects of NP may affect μ in any given measurement
- Simplified cross section concept:
 - Split each production mode into kinematic bins (aligned to experimental sensitivity), e.g. ggF 0j, 1j, 2j VBF-like, ...
 - Determine coefficients of contributions of each kinematic bin to an observation channel
 - SM acts as kinematic template, but only within each region: more transparent what the observation sees
- Done within context of LHC Higgs XS Working Group

Simplified xsec

Definition of Simplified Cross Sections.

Current μ fits:

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma_1^{\text{meas}} &= A_1^{ggH} \times \underbrace{\mu_{ggH} \times \sigma_{ggH}^{\text{SM}}}_{\sigma_{ggH}} + A_1^{\text{VBF}} \times \underbrace{\mu_{\text{VBF}} \times \sigma_{\text{VBF}}^{\text{SM}}}_{\sigma_{\text{VBF}}} \\ &= A_1^{ggH} \times \sigma_{ggH} + A_1^{\text{VBF}} \times \sigma_{\text{VBF}} \\ \sigma_2^{\text{meas}} &= A_2^{ggH} \times \underbrace{\mu_{ggH} \times \sigma_{ggH}^{\text{SM}}}_{\sigma_{ggH}} + A_2^{\text{VBF}} \times \underbrace{\mu_{\text{VBF}} \times \sigma_{\text{VBF}}^{\text{SM}}}_{\sigma_{\text{VBF}}} \\ &= A_2^{ggH} \times \sigma_{ggH} + A_2^{\text{VBF}} \times \sigma_{\text{VBF}}\end{aligned}$$

- Fit for σ_{ggH} , σ_{VBF}
 - ▶ In the SM: Correspond to total ggH and VBF production cross sections
- A_i^{ggH} , A_i^{VBF} are acceptances for SM processes \rightarrow theory-dependent
 - ▶ Split each production cross section into several kinematic bins/slices a , b , ...

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma_1^{\text{meas}} &= A_1^{ggH\ a} \times \sigma_{ggH\ a} + A_1^{ggH\ b} \times \sigma_{ggH\ b} + A_2^{\text{VBF}\ c} \times \sigma_{\text{VBF}\ c} + \dots \\ \sigma_2^{\text{meas}} &= \dots\end{aligned}$$

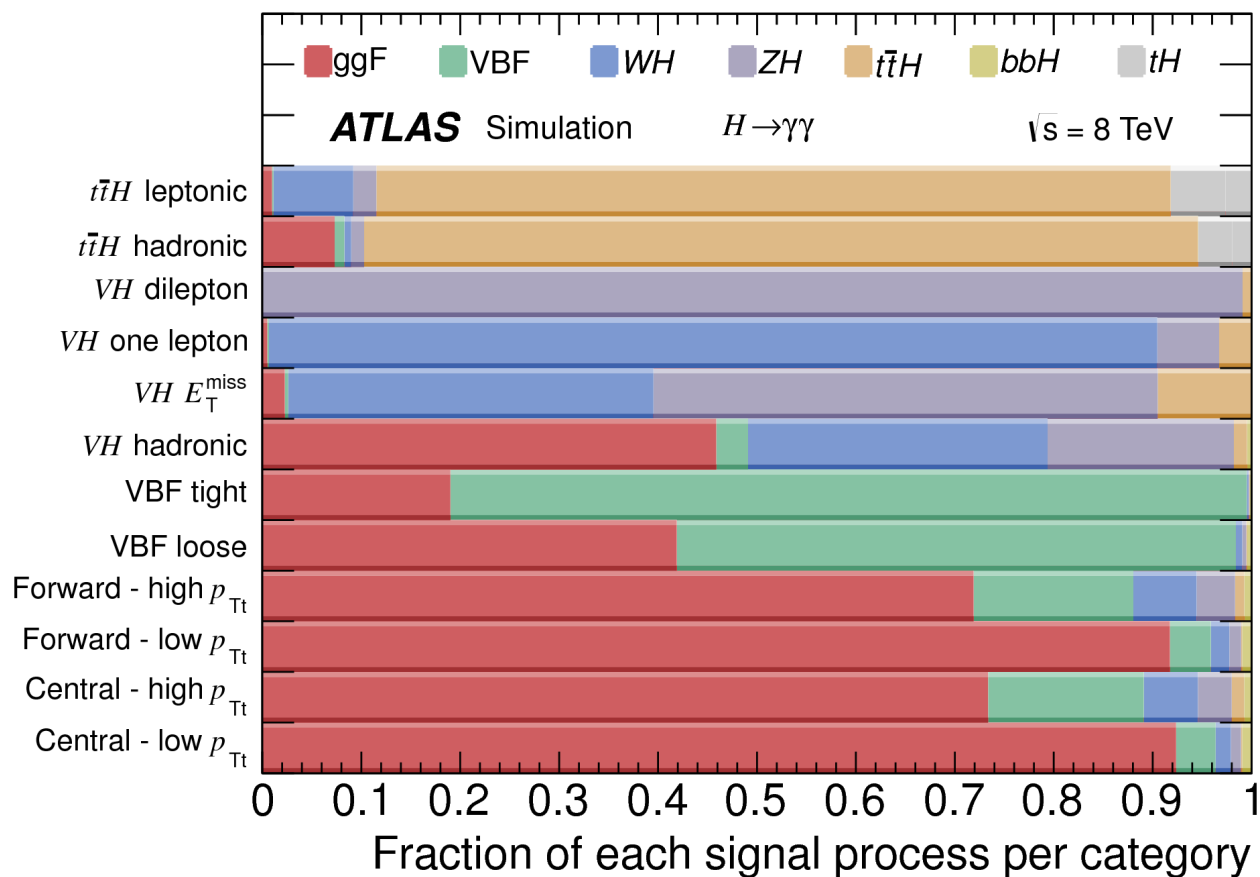
- ▶ A_i^j only depend on SM kinematics *inside* a given bin
- ▶ If this becomes a problem, split the bin

\Rightarrow SM processes act as kinematic templates

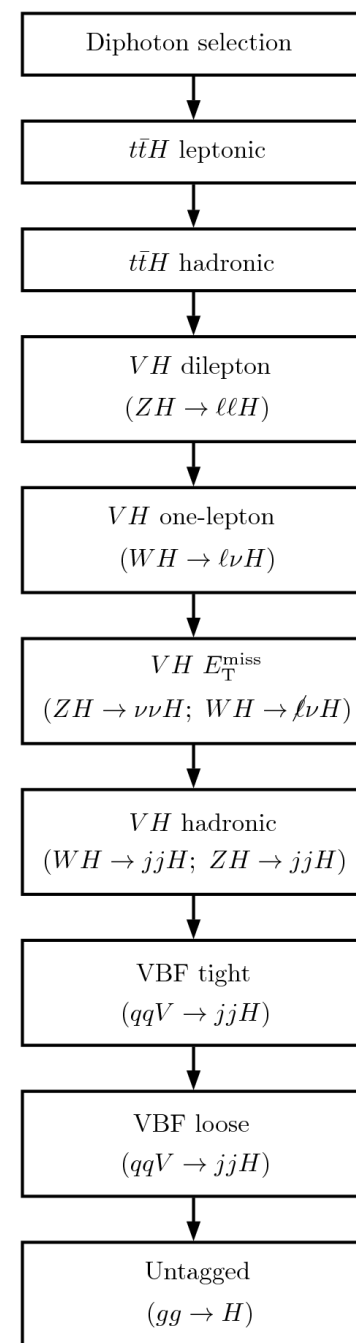


On the way there ...

- ATLAS $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$: multiple categories, varying sensitivity to different production modes
- In future, imagine publishing acceptance matrix and measured cross sections in each category



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Conclusion

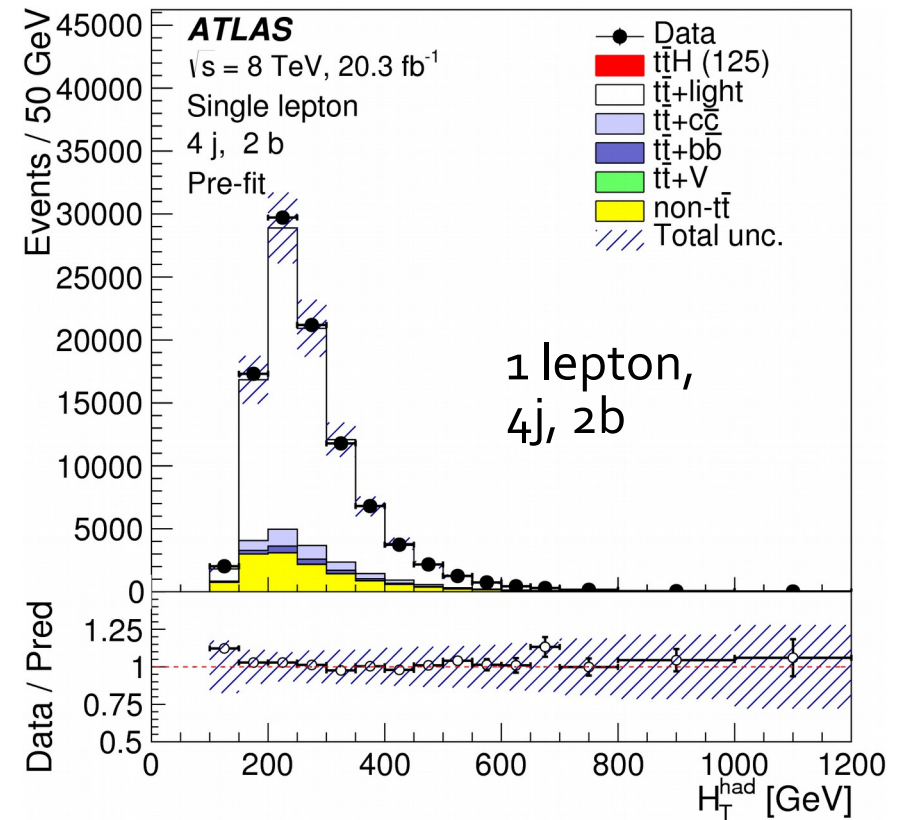
- Near-term future is bright for fermion couplings
 - generally have high S/B rare modes that will gain importance with more data
- ttH has large cross section gain
 - also, technically “evidence” already after Run 1
- Additional data will allow finer binning of other processes and enable more sophisticated probes of new physics

Run 2: exciting for Higgs physics

Extra

How to look for ttH?

- Generic signature is top pair + a Higgs decay
 - $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ has a narrow bump
 - $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$ has a large rate
 - $H \rightarrow WW, H \rightarrow \tau\tau$ produce multilepton events
 - $H \rightarrow ZZ \rightarrow 4\ell$ has too low a rate
- Top pairs have a characteristic signatures of leptons, jets, and b-tagged jets

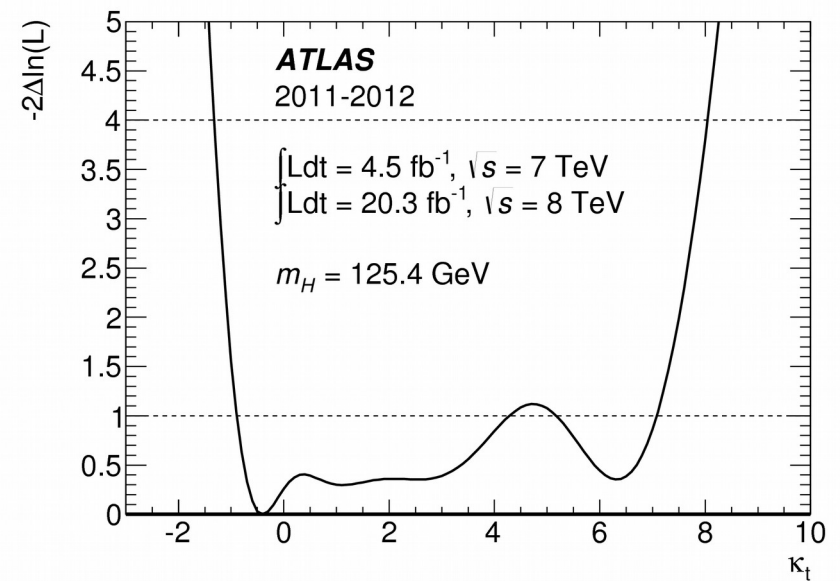
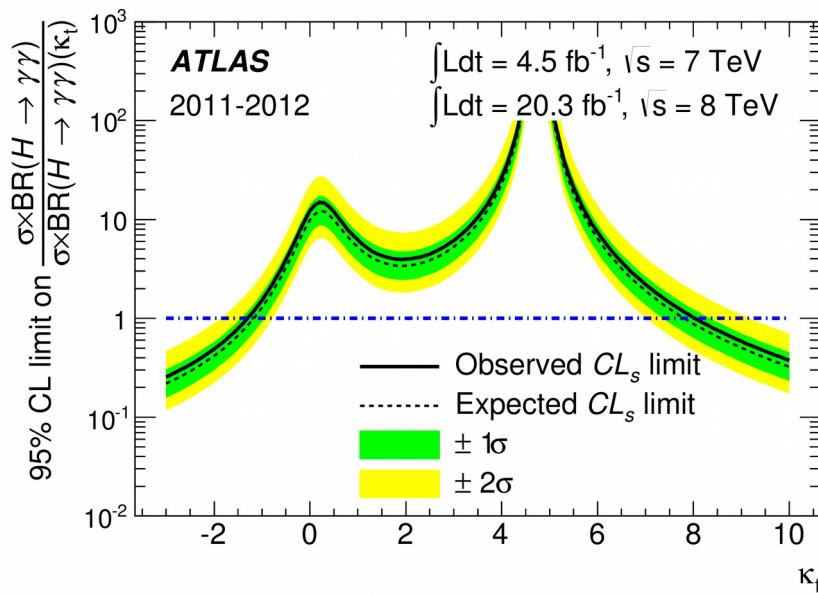
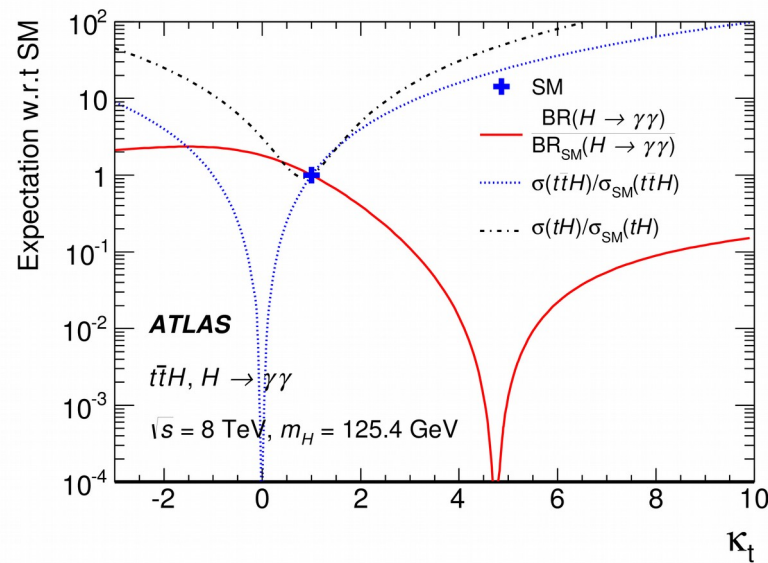


[8 TeV] Diphoton Selection

- trigger: diphoton, $p_T > (35, 25)$ GeV
- photons: leading (subleading) $p_T > 0.35$ (0.25) $\times m_{\gamma\gamma}$; require == 2 photons
- leptons: e $p_T > 15$ GeV; μ $p_T > 10$ GeV
- **leptonic channel**: ≥ 1 lepton, $M(e\gamma)$ not in $[84, 94]$ GeV, $\geq 1j$ @ 25 GeV, $\geq 1b$ @ 80% WP, $ET_{\text{miss}} > 20$ GeV if only one b-jet
- **hadronic channel**: no leptons
 - $\geq 6j$ @ 25 GeV, $\geq 2b$ @ 80% OR
 - $\geq 5j$ @ 30 GeV, $\geq 2b$ @ 70% OR
 - $\geq 6j$ @ 30 GeV, $\geq 1b$ @ 60%

Category	N_H	ggF	VBF	WH	ZH	$t\bar{t}H$	$tHqb$	WtH	N_B
7 TeV leptonic selection	0.10	0.6	0.1	14.9	4.0	72.6	5.3	2.5	$0.5^{+0.5}_{-0.3}$
7 TeV hadronic selection	0.07	10.5	1.3	1.3	1.4	80.9	2.6	1.9	$0.5^{+0.5}_{-0.3}$
8 TeV leptonic selection	0.58	1.0	0.2	8.1	2.3	80.3	5.6	2.6	$0.9^{+0.6}_{-0.4}$
8 TeV hadronic selection	0.49	7.3	1.0	0.7	1.3	84.2	3.4	2.1	$2.7^{+0.9}_{-0.7}$

Diphoton Coupling Interpretation

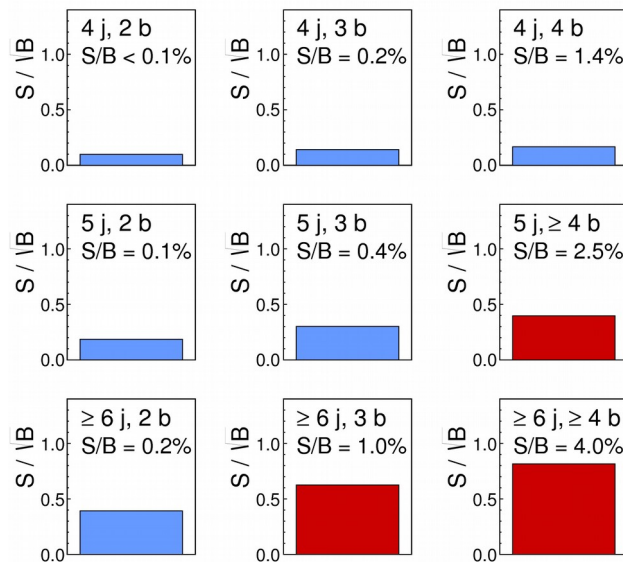


κ_t scales the SM Yukawa coupling (1=SM)

Categories

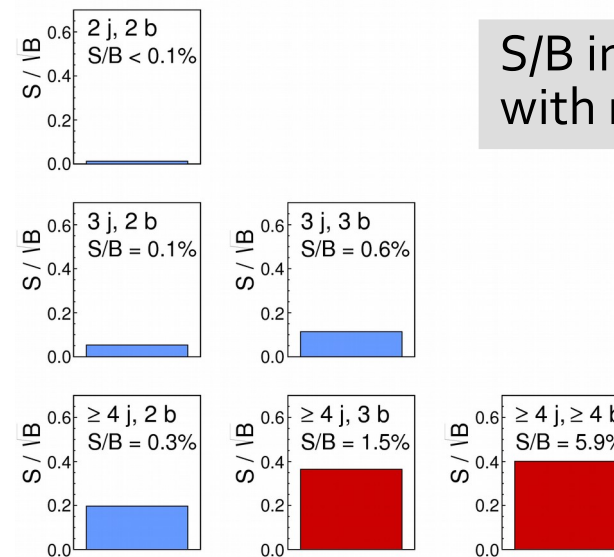
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 $\sqrt{s} = 8 \text{ TeV}, 20.3 \text{ fb}^{-1}$

Single lepton
 $m_H = 125 \text{ GeV}$

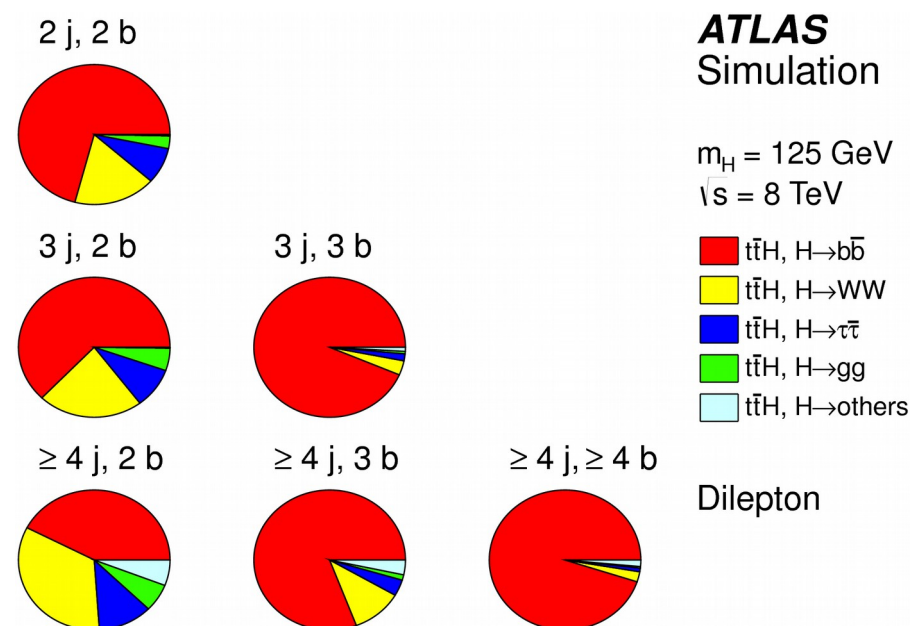
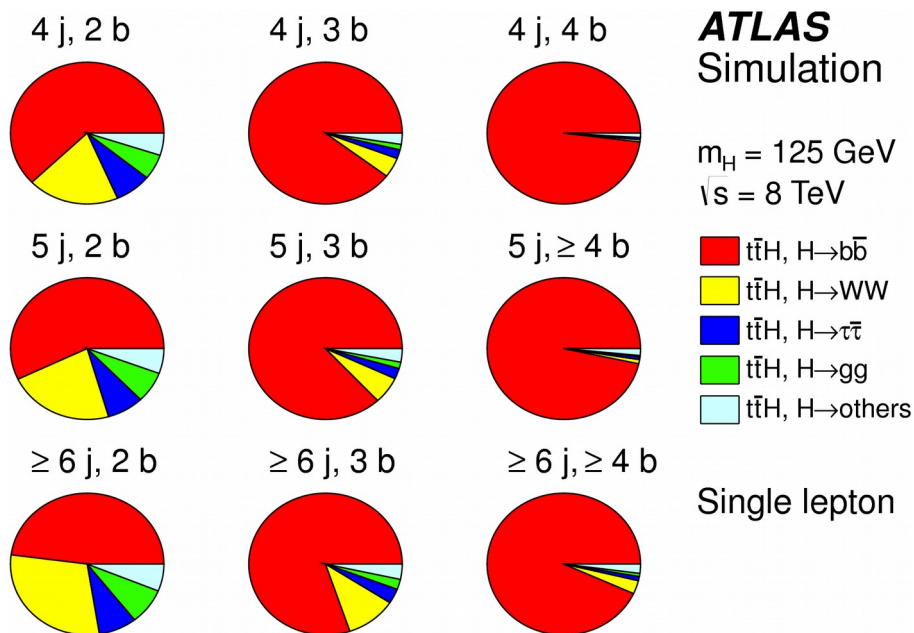


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Dilepton
 $m_H = 125 \text{ GeV}$



S/B improved
 with neural net



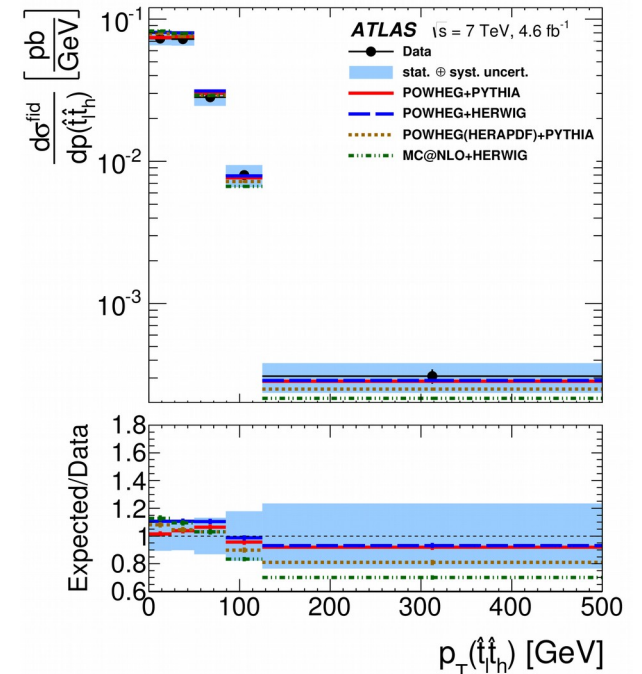
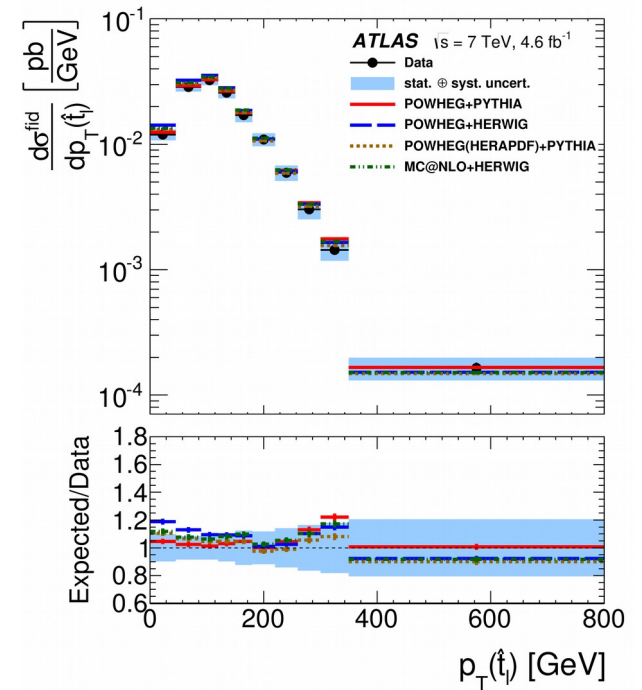
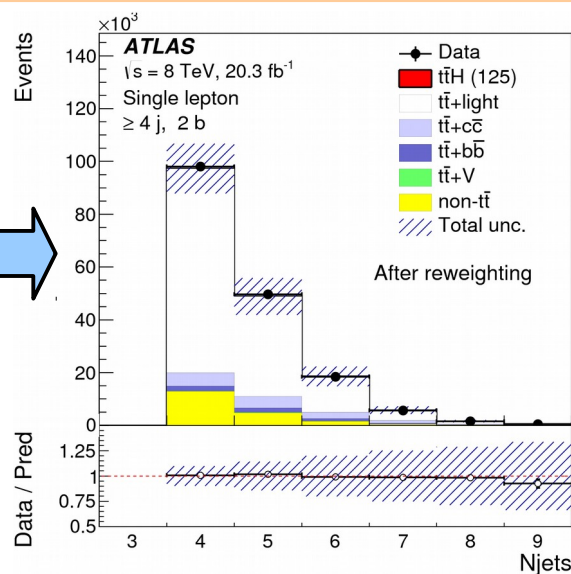
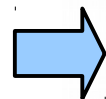
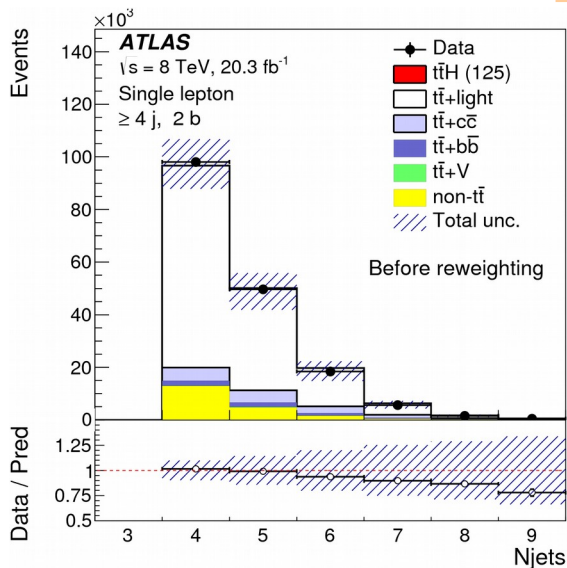
Event Selection

- trigger: single lepton triggers (e or μ); full efficiency @ 25 GeV
- leptons: leading $p_T > 25$ GeV, subleading $p_T > 15$ GeV (dilepton channel)
 - 1, 2-lep channels have no overlap
 - dilepton: $M_{ll} > 15$ GeV, veto events with $M_{ll} = M_Z \pm 8$ GeV for same flavor; $H_T > 130$ GeV for $e\mu$
- jets: anti- k_T 0.4, $p_T > 25$ GeV, $|\eta| < 2.5$
- b tagging: 70% efficiency working point

Top Reweighting

- To improve agreement of MC and data, **reweight** the $t\bar{t}$ pair p_T and the top quark p_T with scalings derived from 7 TeV data
 - Powheg+Pythia spectra generally too hard
 - $t\bar{t}$ p_T improves # jets recoiling against top pair system; top p_T fixes energy of top decay products
 - $t\bar{t}$ +light, $t\bar{t}$ +cc events only; $t\bar{t}$ +bb handled differently

ATLAS *top kinematics*:
arxiv:1502.05923, accepted by JHEP

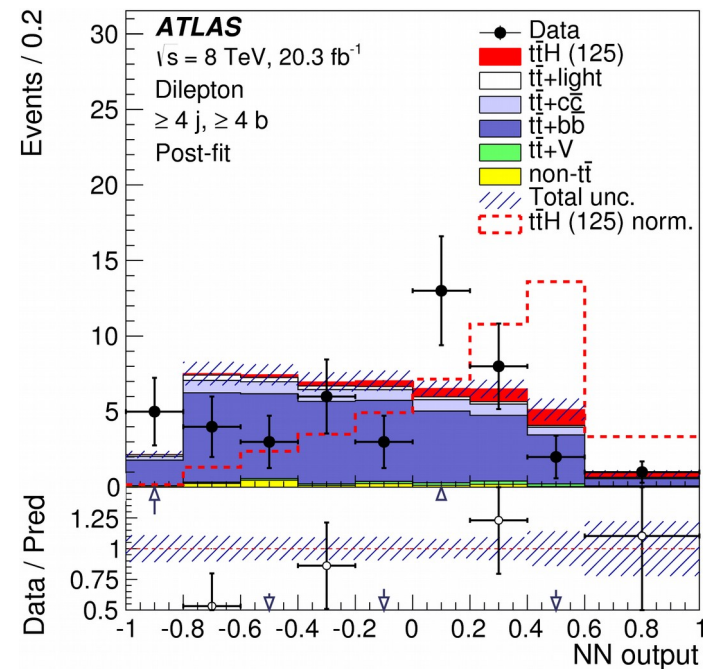
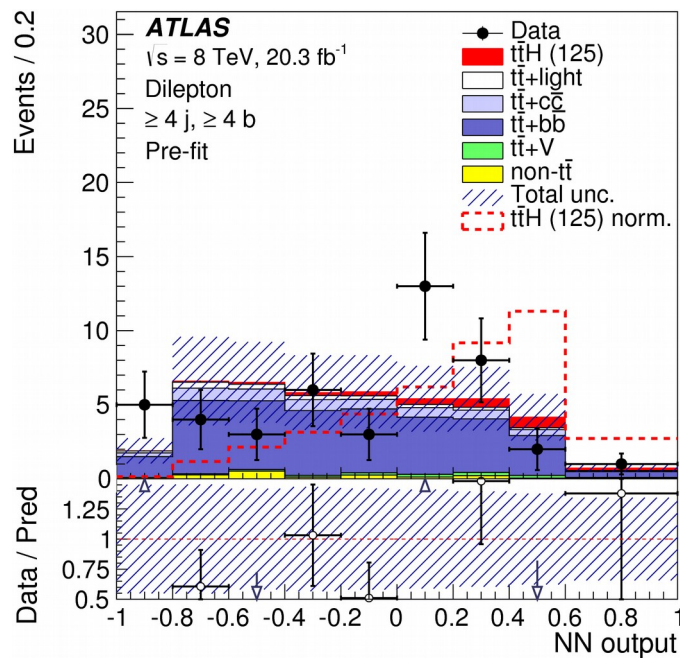
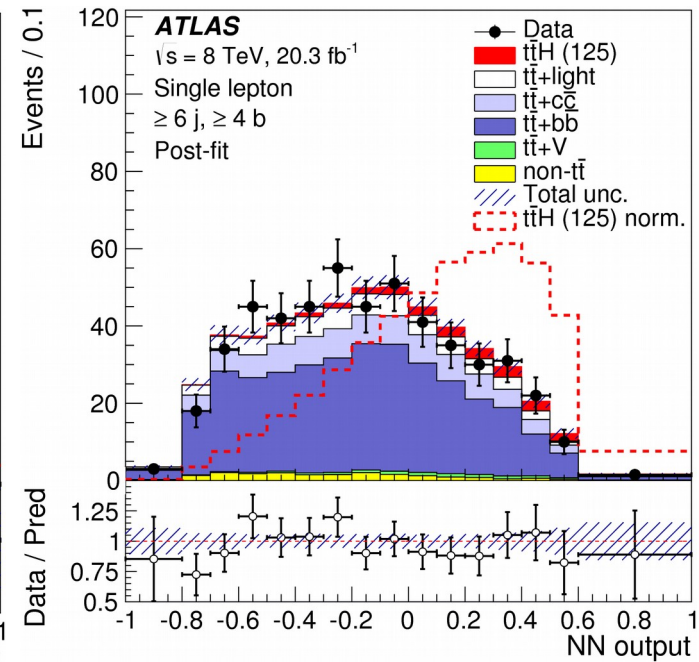
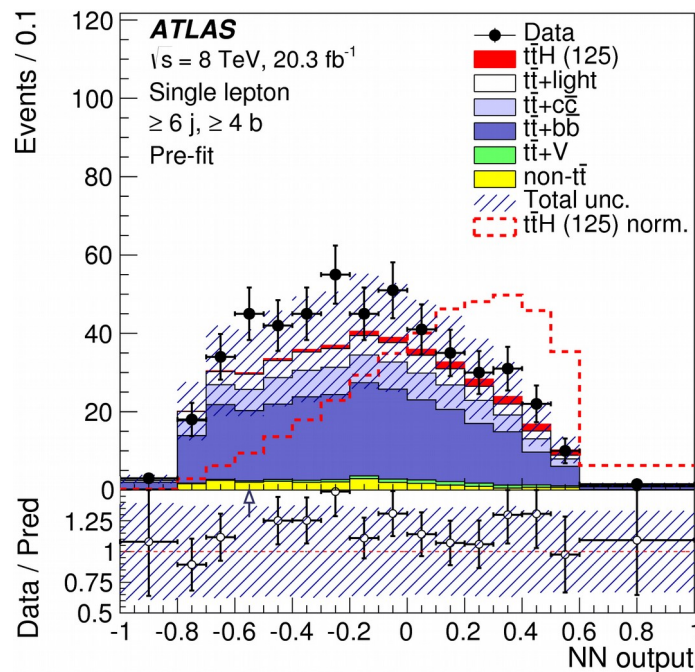


Top Pair Modeling

- Simulations of top quarks + extra jets are still not super-sophisticated
 - Leading order matched simulations (MadGraph/Sherpa) can certainly do a consistent job
 - NLO generation for extra heavy flavor just becoming available, not yet possible to do *full* (light+heavy quark) matched NLO with mass effects
- The vast majority of $t\bar{t}+b\bar{b}$ in the relevant kinematic regions comes from parton shower, even in LO matched simulations
 - guessing the kinematic regions where ME and PS are important (which you need to do for Alpgen matching) is a **bad idea**
- We find best agreement in control regions with Powheg+Pythia (NLO) – this is our baseline

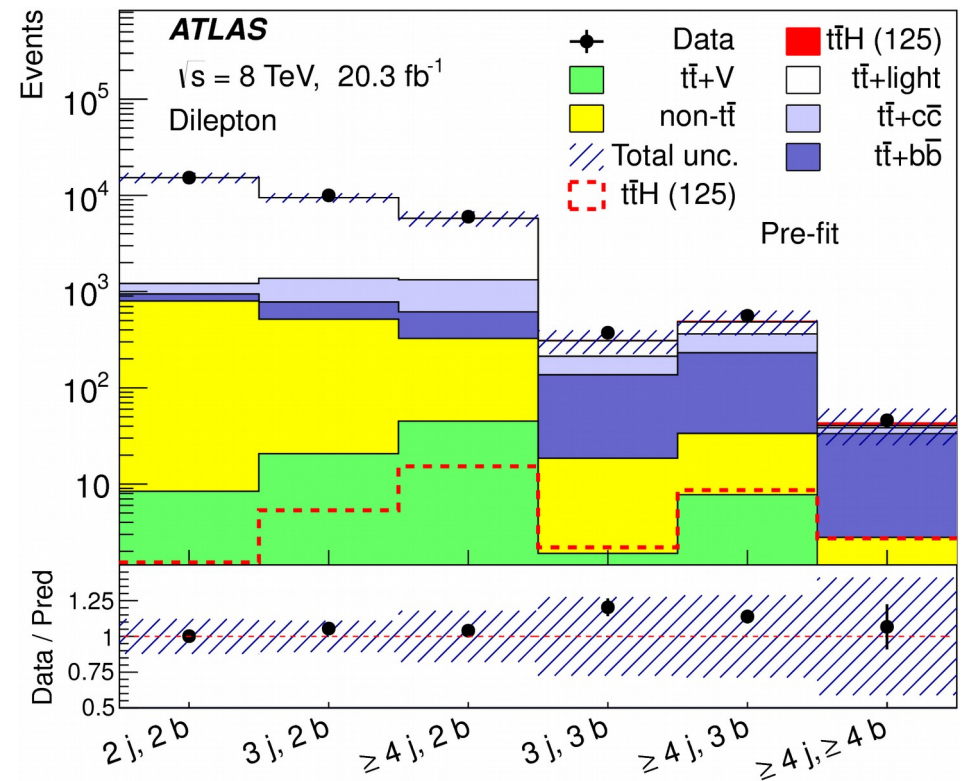
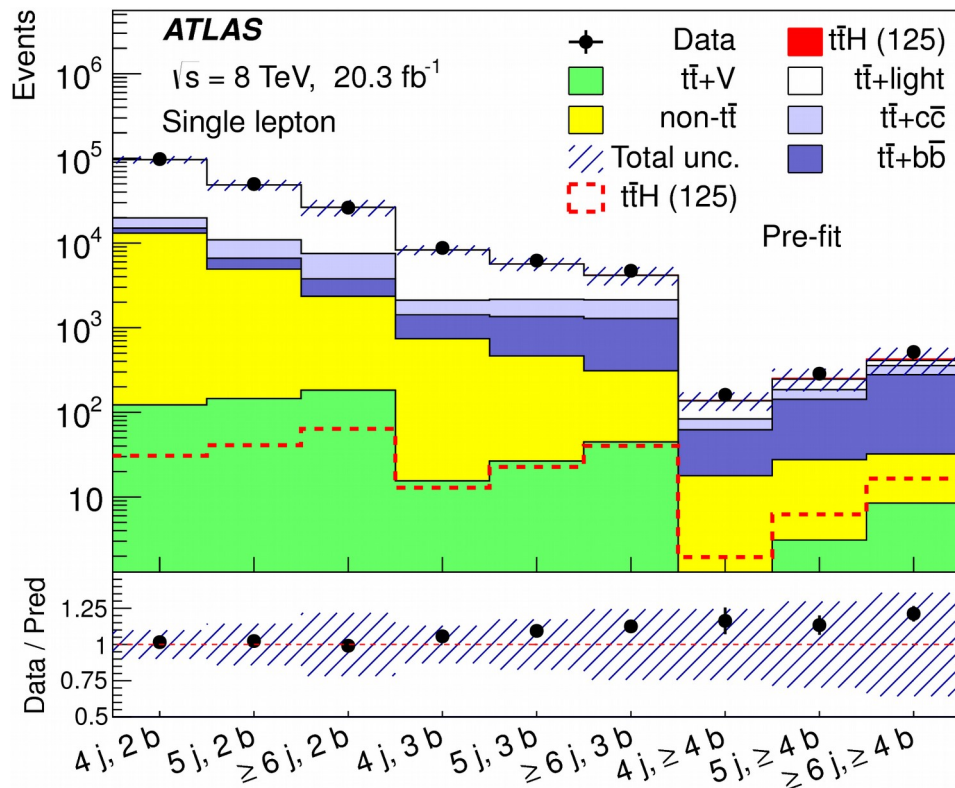
Fit effect on Signal-Rich Regions

Profile fit collapses systematics – large correlations



Pre-Fit Yields

- Most $t\bar{t}$ +light in $l+jets\ 3b$ comes from $W \rightarrow cs$ tags
 - no analog in $2l$



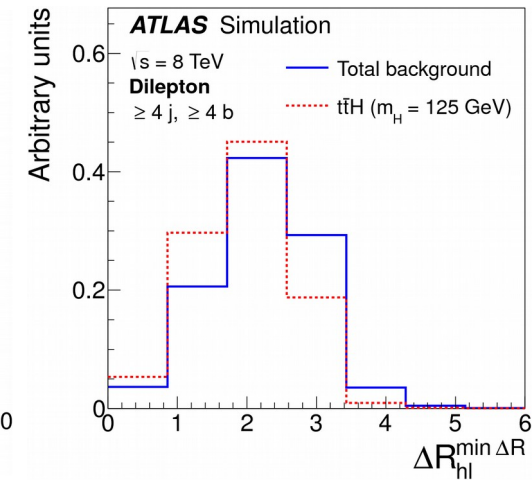
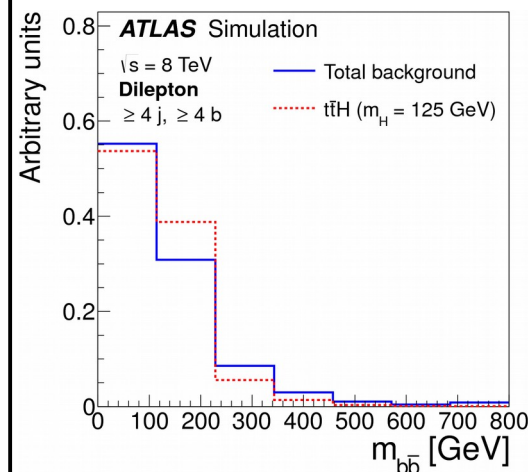
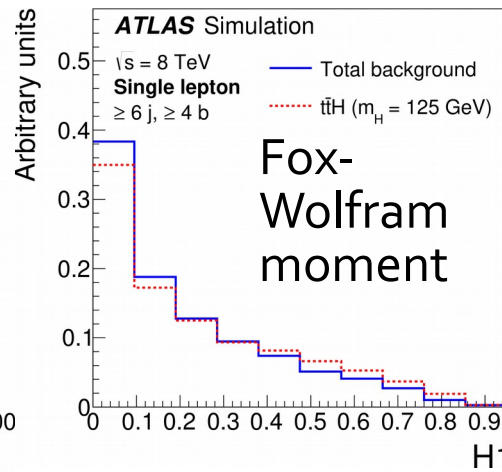
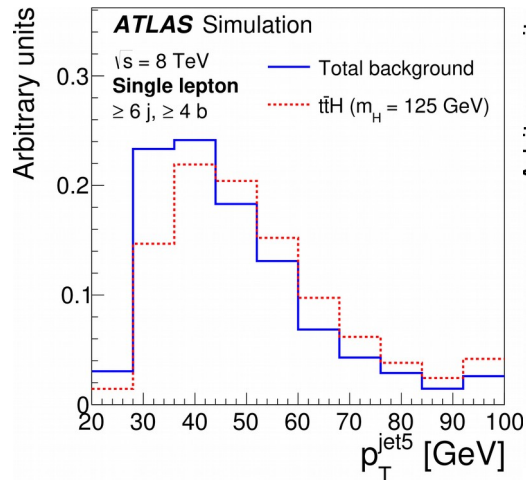
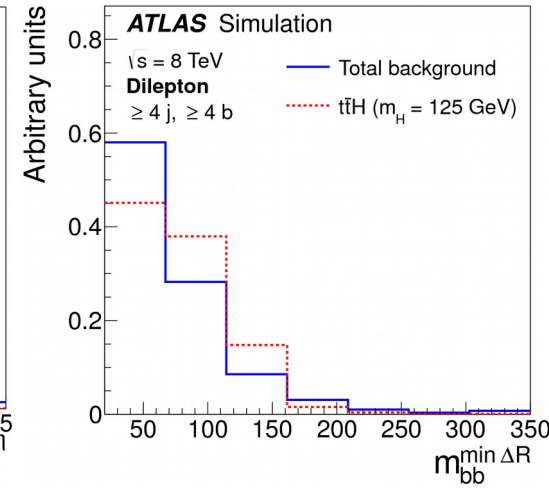
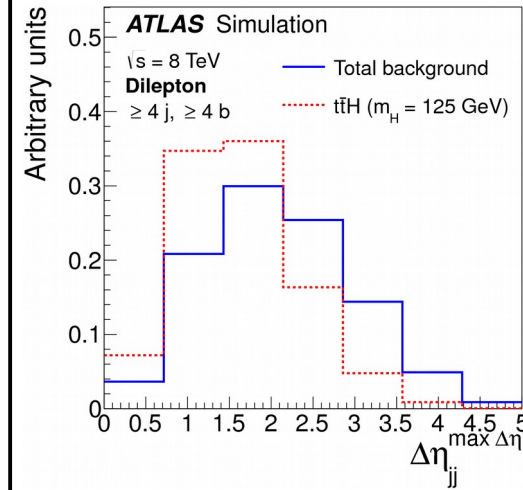
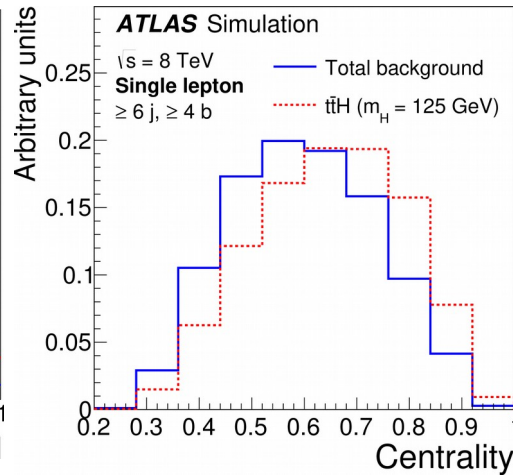
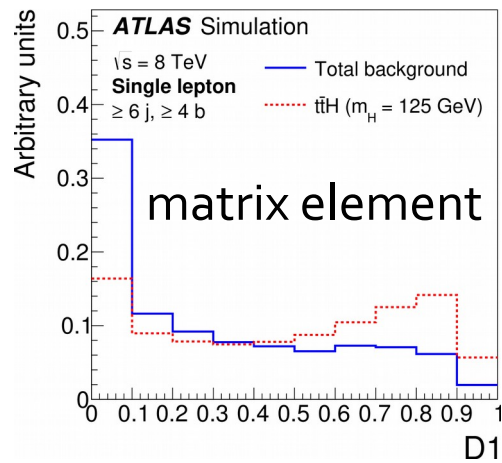
NN Variable Separation

- Four highest ranked variables shown

$$D1 = \frac{\mathcal{L}_{t\bar{t}H}}{\mathcal{L}_{t\bar{t}H} + 0.23 \cdot \mathcal{L}_{t\bar{t}+b\bar{b}}}$$

$l+jets \geq 6j \geq 4b$

dilepton $\geq 4j \geq 4b$



The Fit

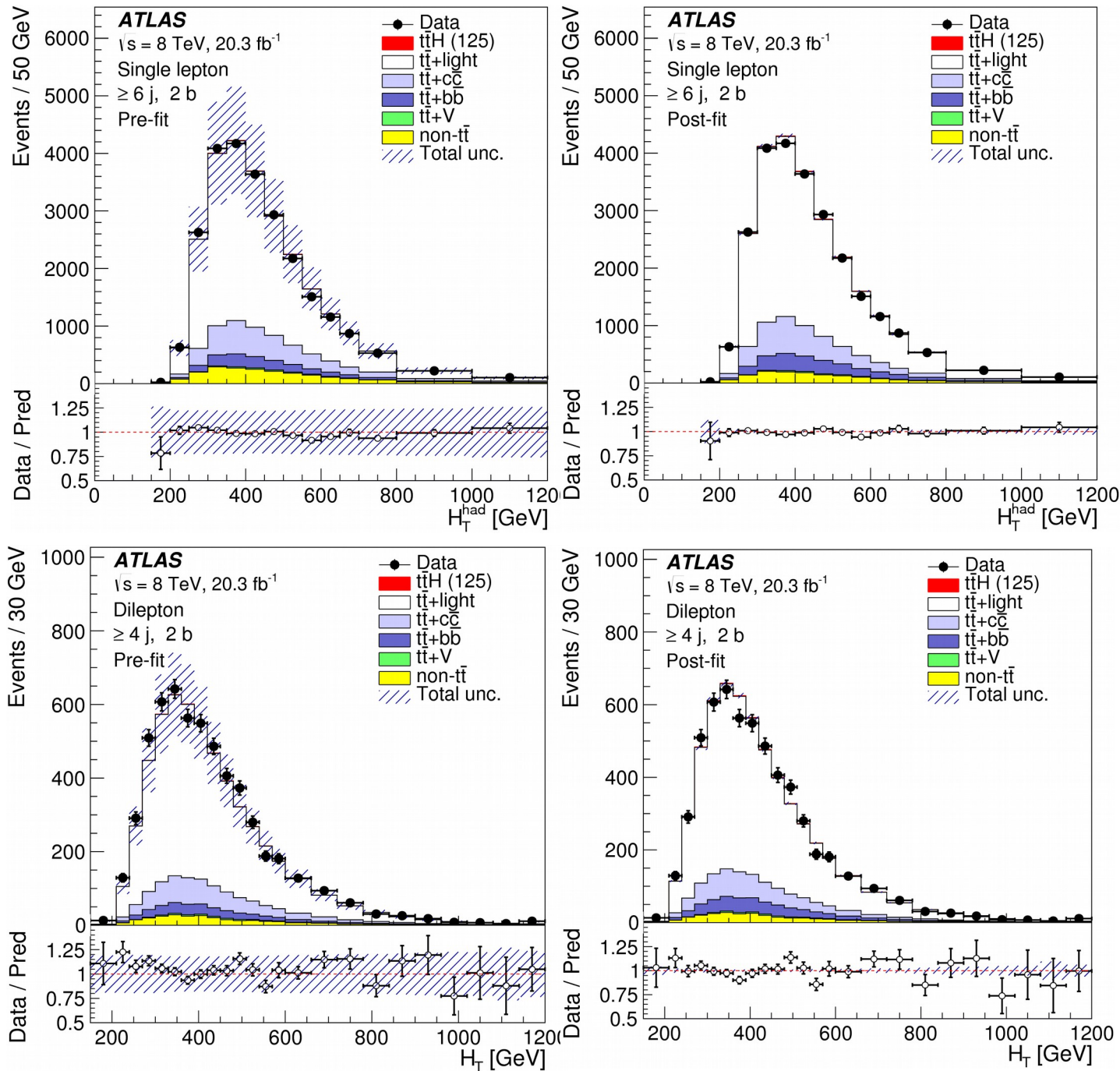
- Systematic uncertainties are “profiled” in the fit: we provide an initial constraint and allow data to update the values & errors
 - in particular this constrains background systematics using bkg-rich regions, and allows in situ charm tagging measurement
- All **control** and **signal** regions for lepton + jets and dileptons fit simultaneously
 - of course we can cross check between the channels; excellent agreement seen on central value of systematic nuisance parameters

bb Systematics

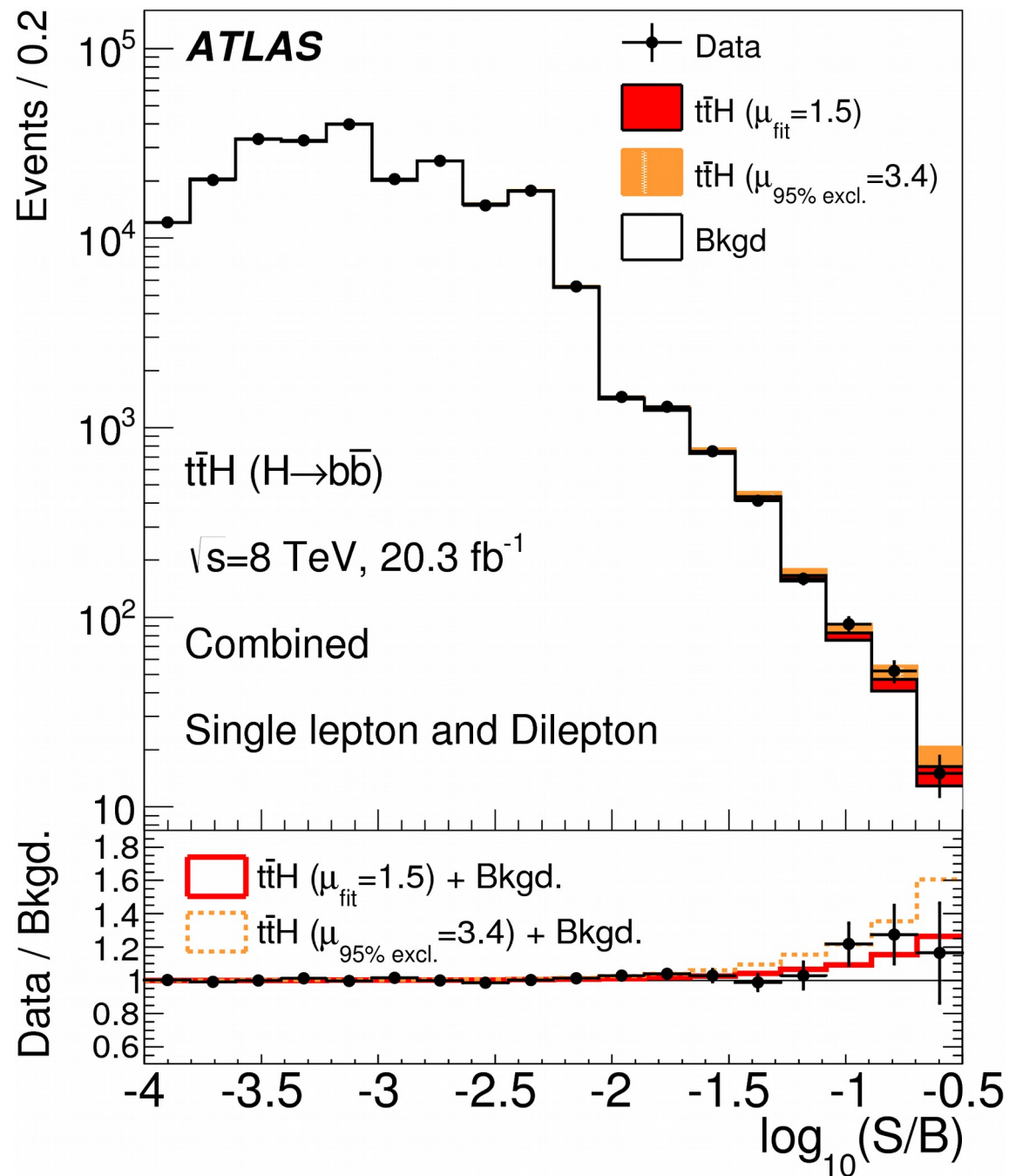
Systematic uncertainty	Type	Comp.
Luminosity	N	1
Physics Objects		
Electron	SN	5
Muon	SN	6
Jet energy scale	SN	22
Jet vertex fraction	SN	1
Jet energy resolution	SN	1
Jet reconstruction	SN	1
<i>b</i> -tagging efficiency	SN	6
<i>c</i> -tagging efficiency	SN	4
Light-jet tagging efficiency	SN	12
High- p_T tagging efficiency	SN	1
Background Model		
$t\bar{t}$ cross section	N	1
$t\bar{t}$ modelling: p_T reweighting	SN	9
$t\bar{t}$ modelling: parton shower	SN	3
$t\bar{t}$ +heavy-flavour: normalisation	N	2
$t\bar{t}+c\bar{c}$: p_T reweighting	SN	2
$t\bar{t}+c\bar{c}$: generator	SN	4
$t\bar{t}+b\bar{b}$: NLO Shape	SN	8
W +jets normalisation	N	3
W p_T reweighting	SN	1
Z +jets normalisation	N	3
Z p_T reweighting	SN	1
Lepton misID normalisation	N	3
Lepton misID shape	S	3
Single top cross section	N	1
Single top model	SN	1
Diboson+jets normalisation	N	3
$t\bar{t} + V$ cross section	N	1
$t\bar{t} + V$ model	SN	1
Signal Model		
$t\bar{t}H$ scale	SN	2
$t\bar{t}H$ generator	SN	1
$t\bar{t}H$ hadronisation	SN	1
$t\bar{t}H$ PDF	SN	1

Largest effects come from $t\bar{t}$ +HF normalization, the $t\bar{t}$ reweighting, and *b*-tagging

Fit effect in Background-Rich Regions

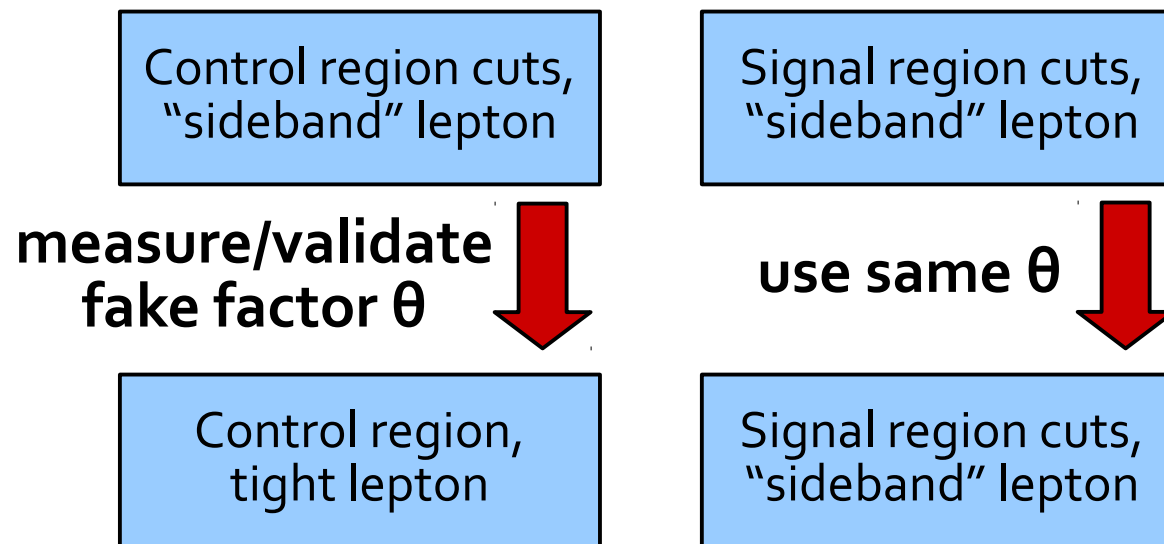


S/B Visualization



Fake Lepton Backgrounds

- Slightly different techniques in each channel.
 - $2\ell 0\tau$, 3ℓ , $2\ell 1\tau$: variants on “fake factor” methods
 - 4ℓ : limit from MC
 - $1\ell 2\tau$: predict fake τ bkg from MC (well modeled with looser event cuts)



e.g. $2\ell 0\tau$: control region cuts: lower # jets than SR
sideband leptons: non-isolated electrons, low- p_T muons

ttH multilepton decays

Signal

Higgs decay

$$H \rightarrow WW \rightarrow \ell\nu\ell\nu$$

$$H \rightarrow WW \rightarrow \ell\nu jj$$

$$H \rightarrow \tau_l \tau_l$$

$$H \rightarrow \tau_l \tau_h$$

$$H \rightarrow \tau_h \tau_h$$

tt decay

$\ell\nu\ell\nu$ bb

$\ell\nu jj$ bb

4 ℓ

3 ℓ

3 ℓ

2 ℓ 0 τ

(4 ℓ)

3 ℓ

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2 ℓ 1 τ

1|2 τ

all-hadronic top not targeted

only accept same sign ℓ

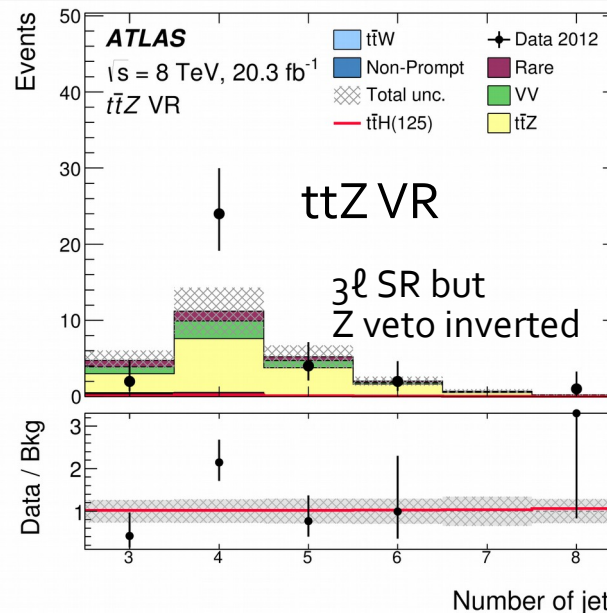
+ require ≥ 1 b-jet,
high ($\geq 2-5$) jet multiplicity

$H \rightarrow ZZ$ not very important due to low BF and Z vetoes

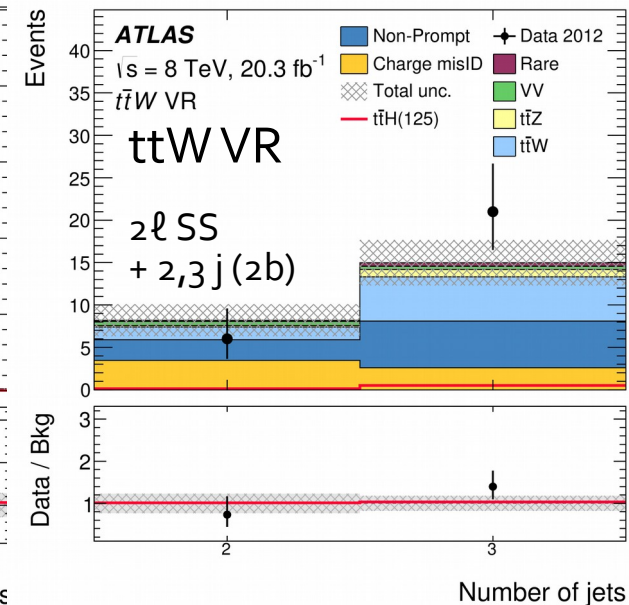
Backgrounds

Main bkg: non-prompt leptons, ttZ, ttW, diboson + jets, fake τ

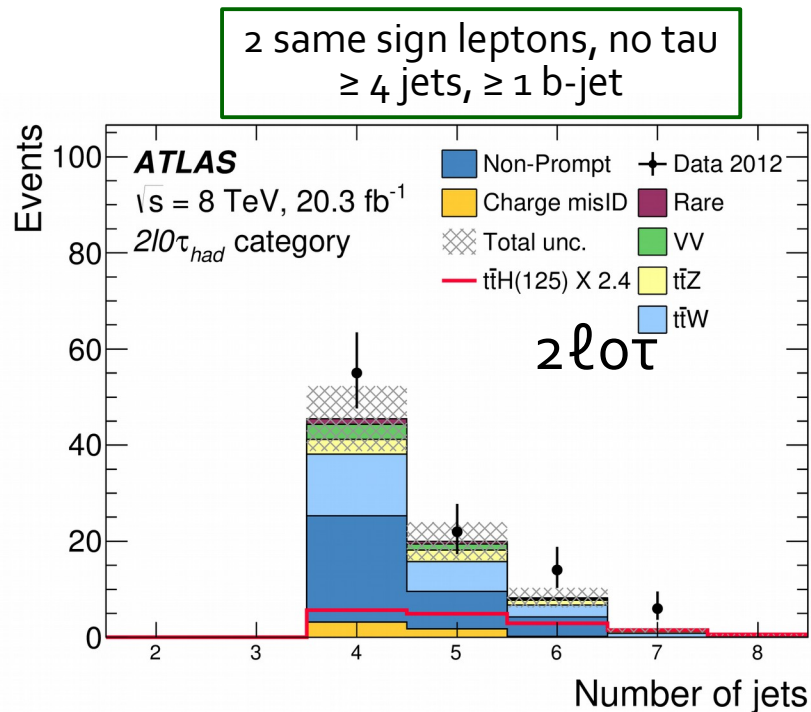
- non-prompt lepton bkg estimated from extrapolation in isolation, ID variables, p_T
- other backgrounds estimated from Monte Carlo, checked in various validation regions



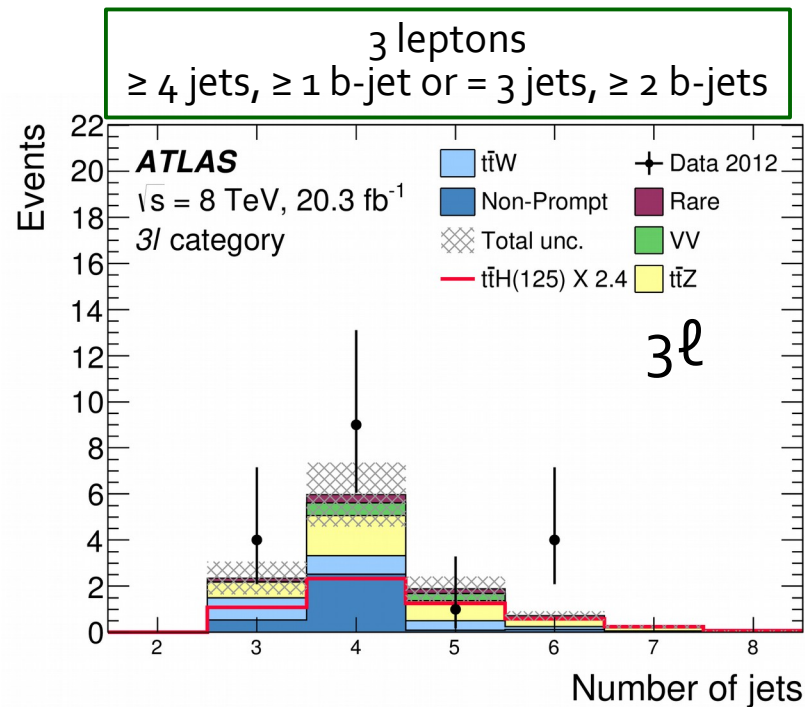
inv mass, smallest ΔR OS lepton pair



$t\bar{t}H, H \rightarrow WW/\tau\tau$



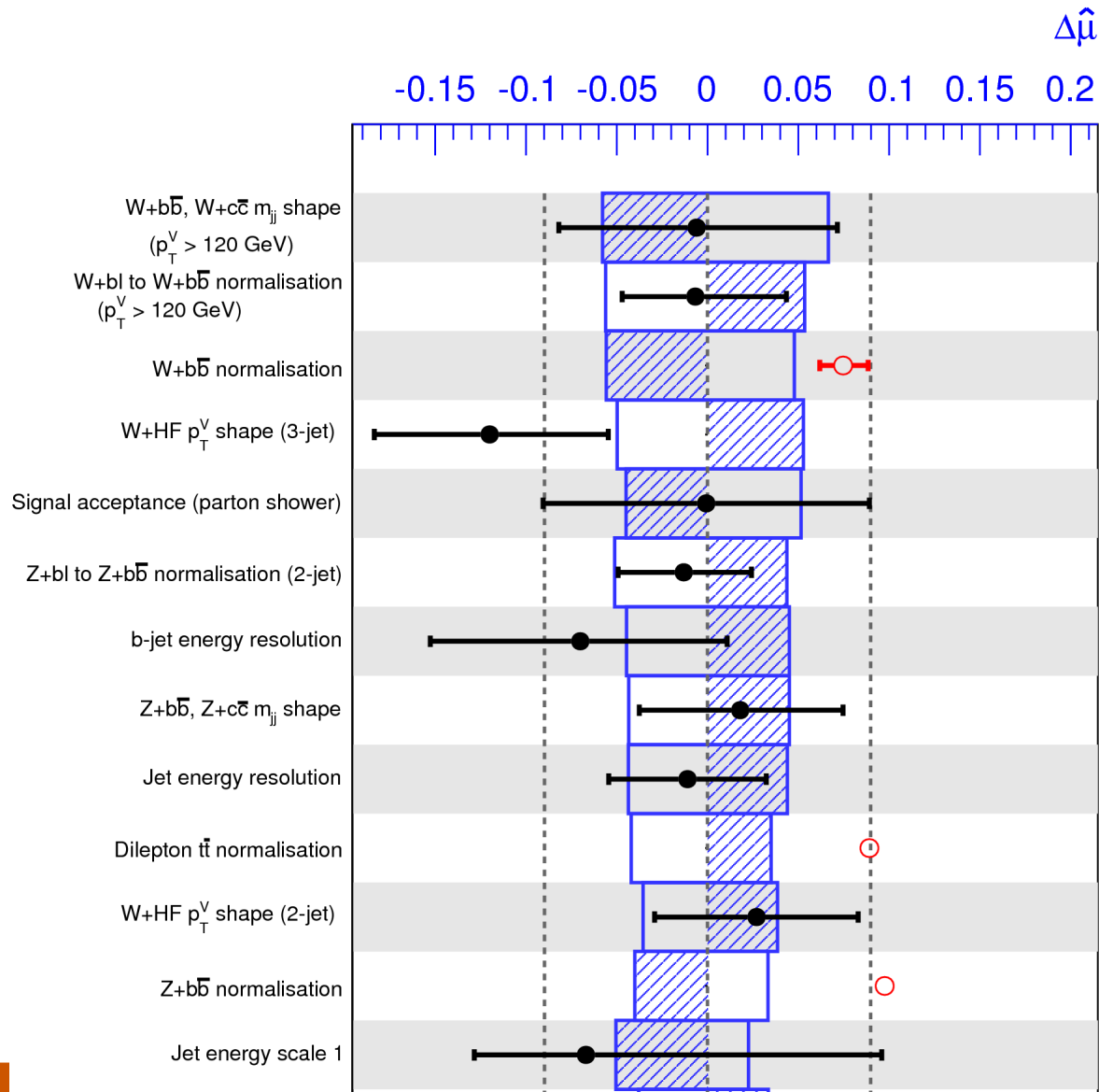
Total bkg	77 ± 13
SM H(125)	6.6 ± 1.4
Observed	98



Total bkg	11.4 ± 3.1
SM H(125)	2.34 ± 0.32
Observed	18

	2ℓ 1τ	4ℓ	1ℓ 2τ
Total bkg	1.4 ± 0.6	0.55 ± 0.17	16 ± 6
SM H(125)	0.47 ± 0.02	0.20 ± 0.01	0.68 ± 0.07
Observed	1	1	10

VH, H \rightarrow bb systematics



VH, H \rightarrow bb breakdowns

