



VV/VH/HH

Bumps @ ATLAS

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What are we doing?

- Signature based searches
 - Basic Philosophy : cover (as much of) the **theory space** as we can with a set of searches based on more general **experimental signatures**

Our signature : $X \rightarrow VV/VH/HH$

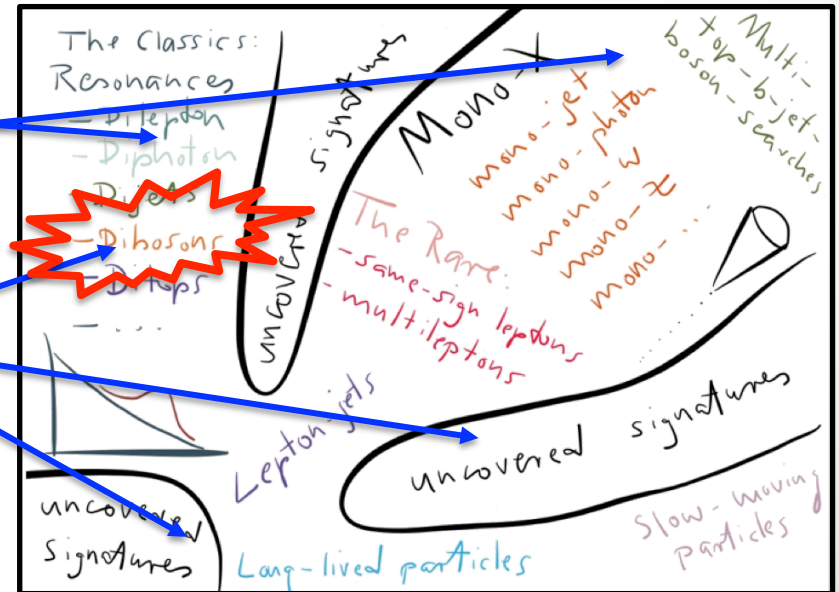


BR(V → qq) ~ 70%
BR(H → bb) ~ 60%

New Physics



Experimental Signatures

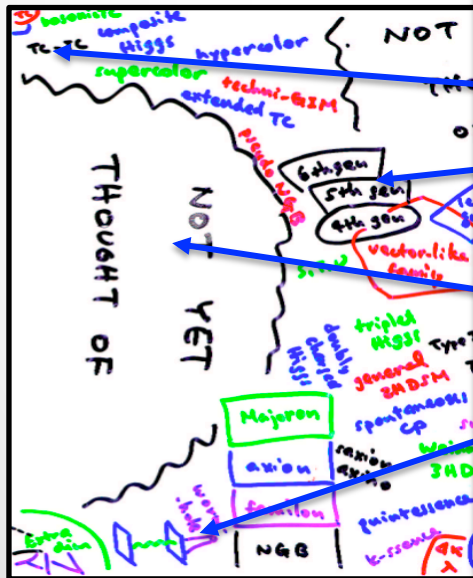


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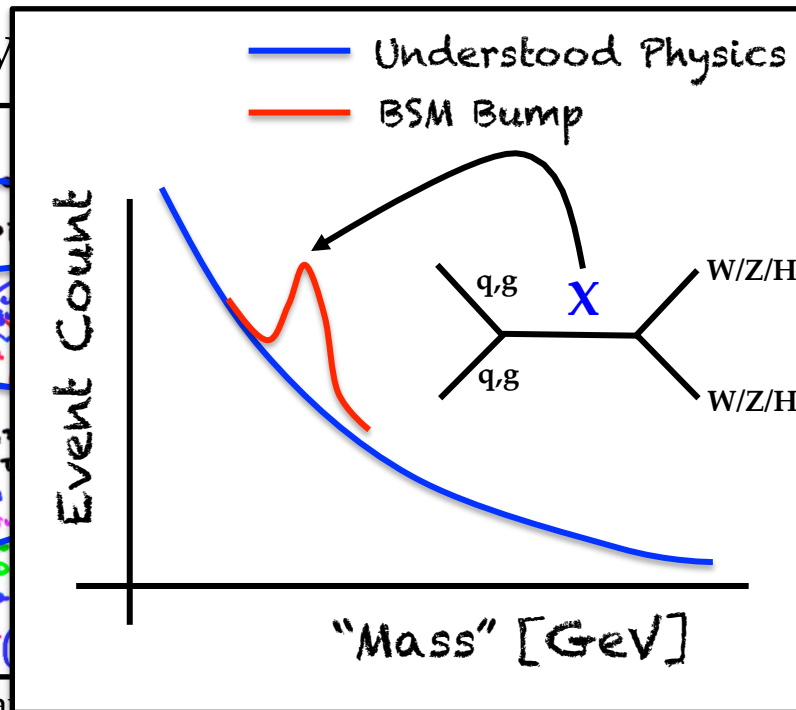
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- Bumps and tails
 - Inspect some **mass spectrum** (or proxy mass spectrum) and look for excess not explained by well understood phenomena

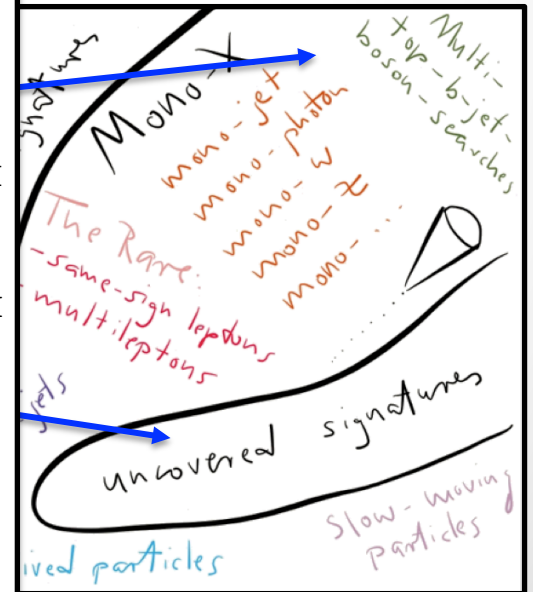
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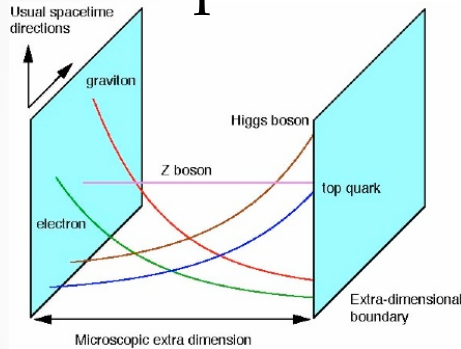
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What are we “looking” for?

- Two^(x) primary benchmark models used to guide searches

KK-Graviton (G^*) Spin 2



Parameters of Interest

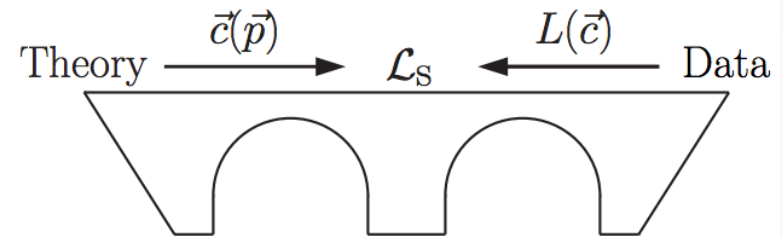
Warping factor, k/M_{plank}

$$ds^2 = e^{-2kr_c\phi} \eta_{\mu\nu} dx^\mu dx^\nu + r_c^2 d\phi^2$$

Channels

$G^* \rightarrow WW/ZZ/HH$

Heavy Vector Triplet Spin 1



Parameters of Interest

Couplings in “EFT-like” lagrangian

$$\mathcal{L} \subset ig_V c_H V_\mu^a H^\dagger \tau^a D^\mu H + \frac{g^2}{g_V} c_F V_\mu^a J_F^{\mu a}$$

Channels

$V'^{\pm} \rightarrow WZ/WH, V'^0 \rightarrow WW/ZH$

The Ingredients

Large-R Jets

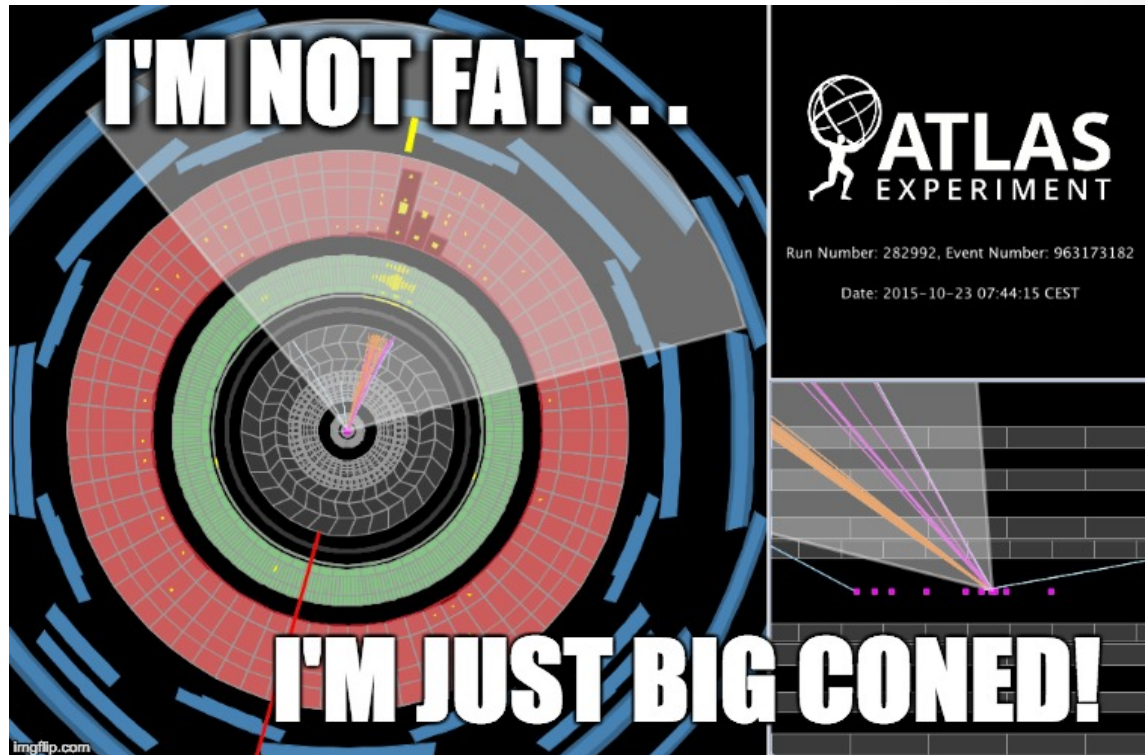
“Standard”

(1) Electrons

(2) Muons

(3) $R=0.4$ Calo Jets

(4) Missing E_T



The Special Ingredients

Large-R Jets

- Baseline Jet : Topoclusters \rightarrow anti-kT $R=1.0 \rightarrow$ Trimmed ($R_{sub}=0.2, f_{cut}=5\%$)
 - Kinematics : p_T down to 200 (250) GeV & $|\eta| < 2.47$
- W/Z jet : [Mass] + [D_2] \rightarrow tuned selections vs. p_T
- Higgs jet : [Mass] + [track jet b-tags]

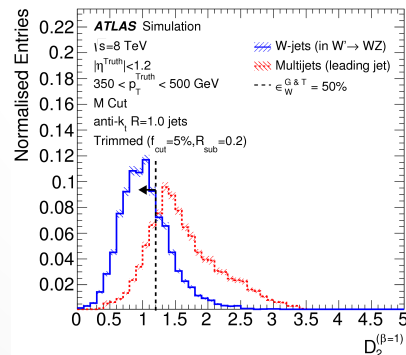
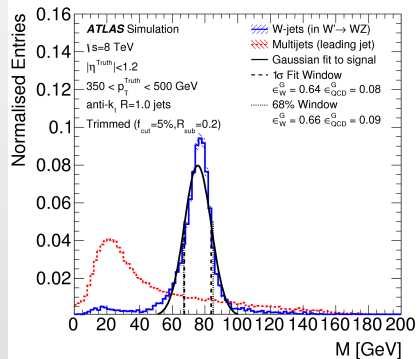
Boson Jets

Efficiency $\sim 50\%$ / Rejection ~ 50

W/Z mass



Two-lobes



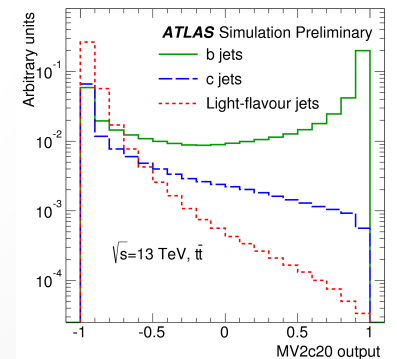
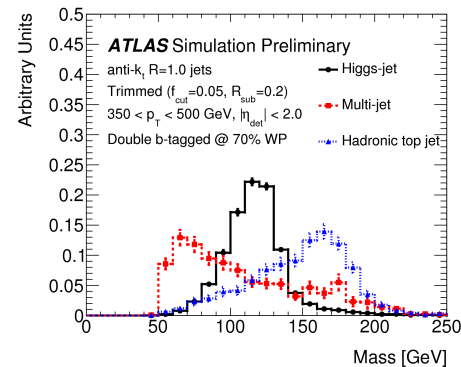
Higgs Jets

Efficiency $\sim 50\%$ / Rejection $\sim 10 \rightarrow 10^6$

Higgs mass



Two flavored lobes



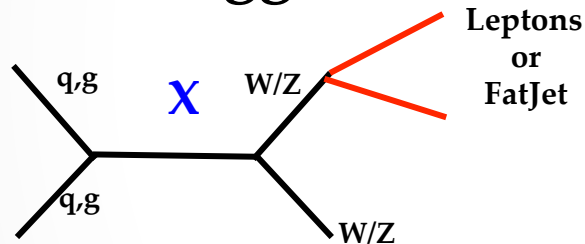
VV

(vvqq/lvqq/llqq/qqqq)

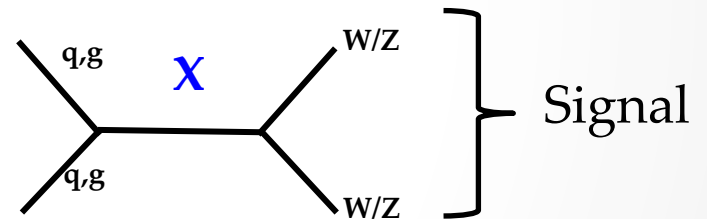
Search Strategy

- Search strategy
 - Semileptonic : Trigger on leptons \rightarrow boson-tag hadronic jet
 - Fully Hadronic : Trigger on high p_T jet \rightarrow double boson-tag
- Background estimation by background composition
 - Semileptonic (V+jet/ttbar): MC-based with dedicated control regions
 - Fully Hadronic (Multijet) : Fit of smoothly falling background (ala dijet searches)

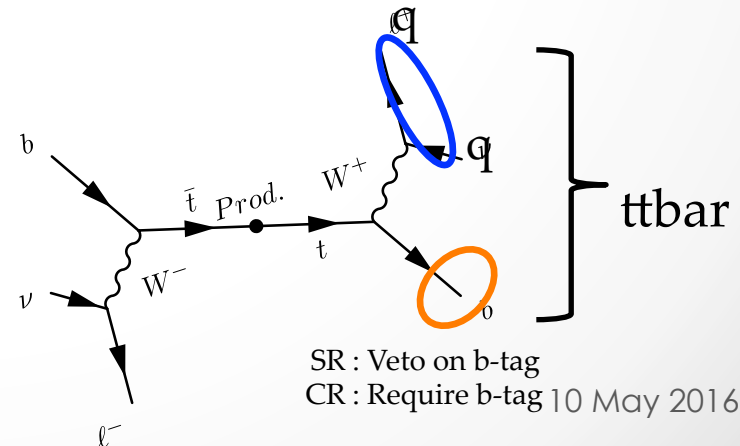
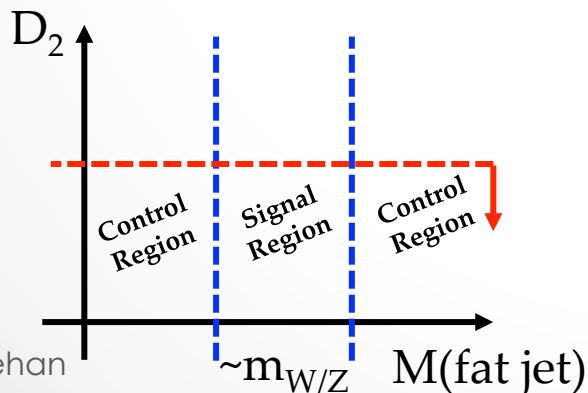
(1) Trigger



(3) Controlling ttbar



(2) Hadronic Boson Tag



Search Results

- Search performed via combined fit to all SR and CR
 - Rely on MC backgrounds and constraints between SR's and CR's



0 Lepton (ZZ/ZW)

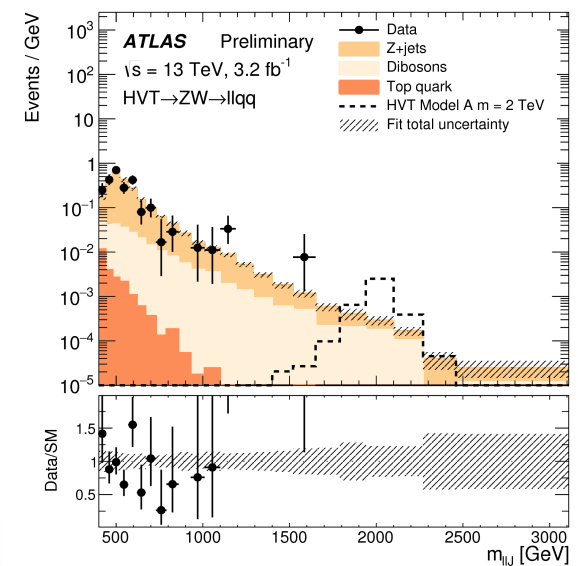
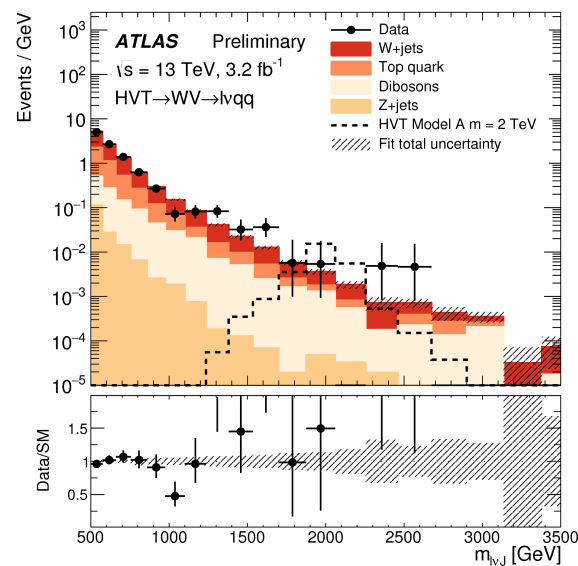
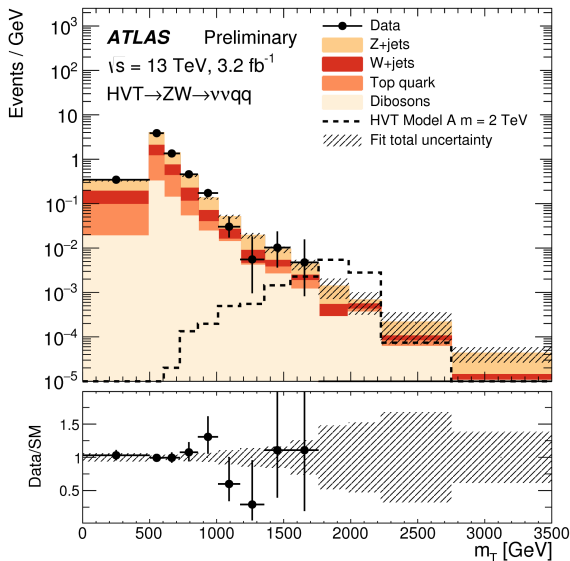
- MET trigger + high MET
- anti-QCD topology Cut
- Separated b-jet veto
- Search : $M_T(\text{Met}+J)$

1 Lepton (WW/WZ)

- Single e/μ trigger
- $p_T(\nu)$ from M_W constraint
- Kinematic selections for sensitivity ($p_T^V/M_{l\nu}$)
- Search : $M(l+MFT+l)$

2 Lepton (ZZ/ZW)

- Single e/μ trigger
- Dilepton mass $m_{ll} \sim m_Z$
- $p_T(ll)$ constraint by $m_{ll} = m_Z$
- Search : $M(l+l+J)$

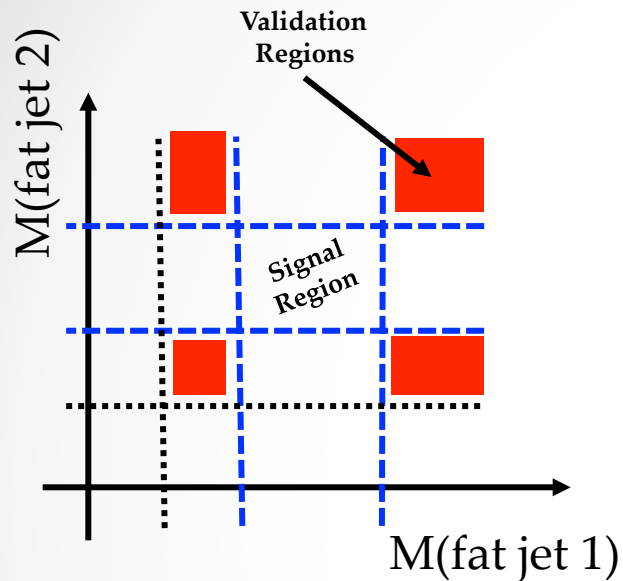


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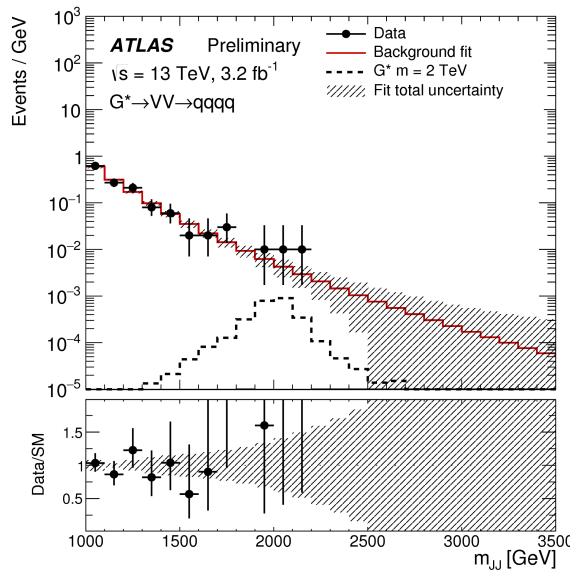
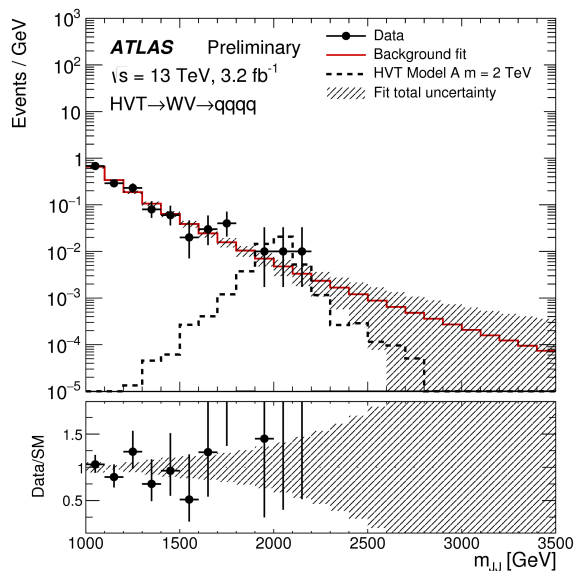
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ZZ/ZW/WW \rightarrow qqqq

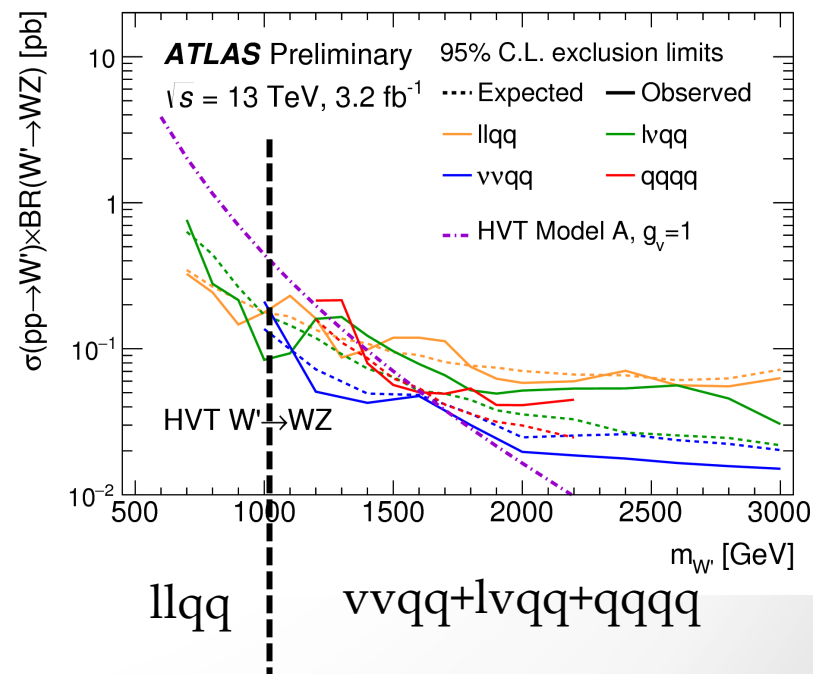
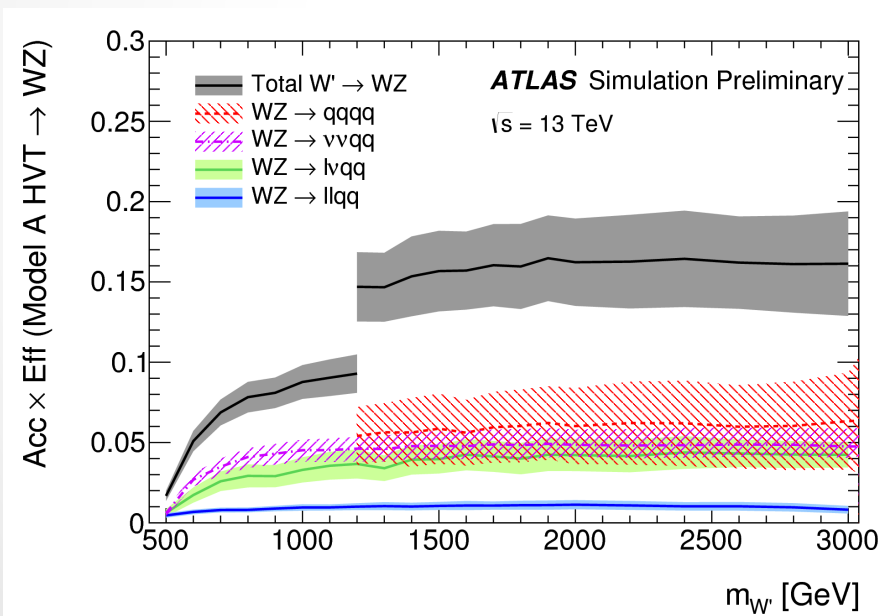


- Signal Region
 - Large-R single jet trigger
 - Two leading boson-jet tags
 - selection on N_{track} (fatjet parent)
 - Topology selection : Dijet p_T balance + $\Delta y(\text{JJ})$
- Backgrounds : data-driven
 - Parameterized background : $\frac{dn}{dx} = p_1(1-x)^{p_2+\xi p_3} x^{p_3}$
- Search : $M(\text{JJ})$



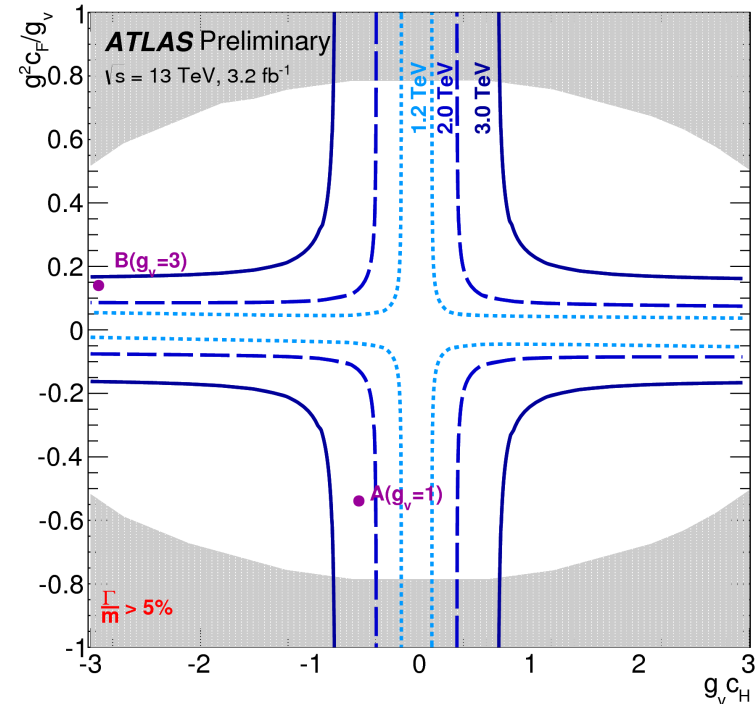
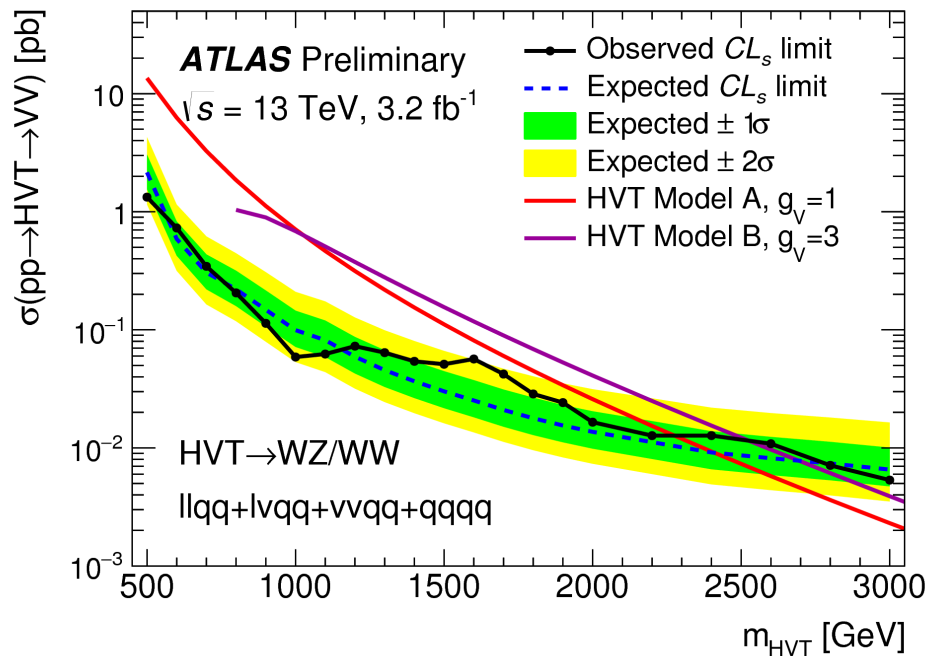
VV Combination

- No “dominant channel” above 1 TeV
 - Full combination of all channels really worth it → sizeable sensitivity gain
- Obvious question : Can qqqq go lower?
 - Trigger level analysis? JSS in the trigger? (<https://cds.cern.ch/record/2104248>)



VV Combination

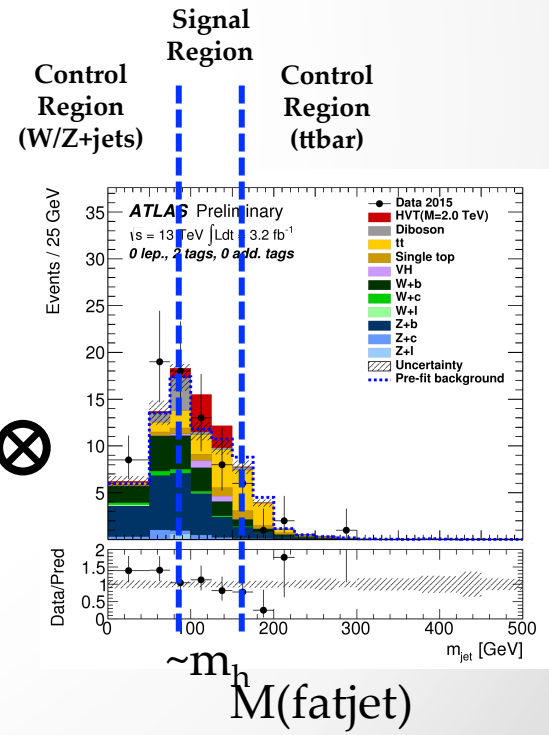
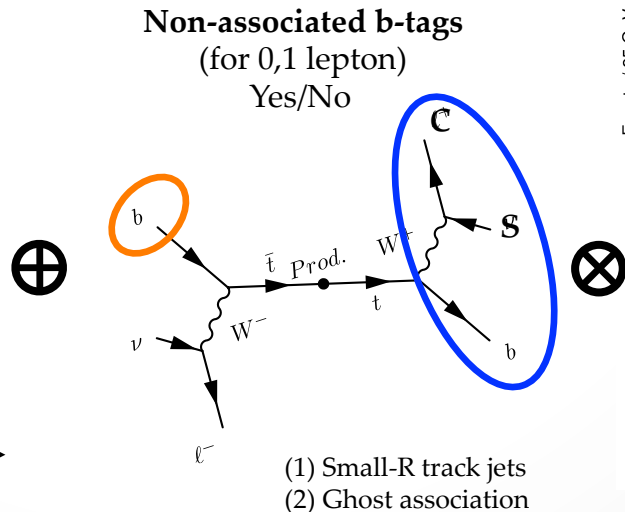
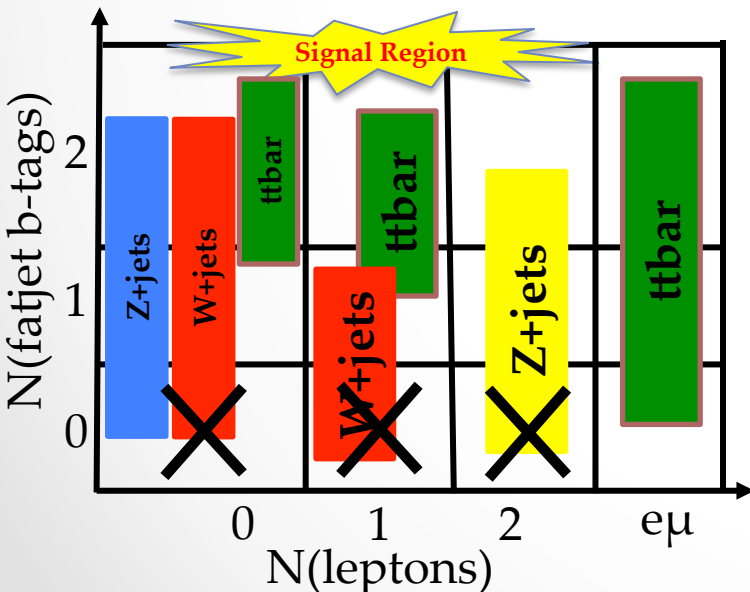
- What can we do with these results?
- Begin to constrain the HVT coupling strengths
 - Along with acceptances/efficiencies → more general constraints



VH
(vvbb/lvbb/llbb)

Search Strategy

- Analysis very similar to semi-leptonic VV
 - Rely on flavor for control region design
- Backgrounds : fully MC-based
 - WZ+jets \rightarrow ttbar \rightarrow SM diboson \rightarrow single top
 - Combined likelihood fit constrains backgrounds
 - Much experience from Run 1 SM-VH(bb) search



Search Results

- Analysis very similar to semi-leptonic VV ... with flavor
 - Rely on flavor for control region design

0 Lepton (ZH)

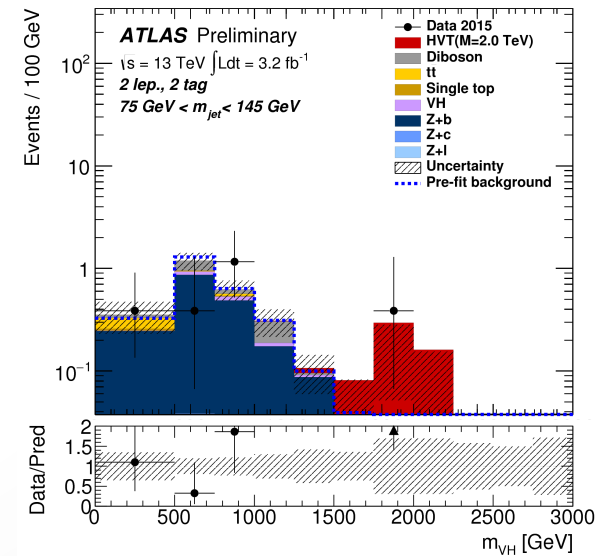
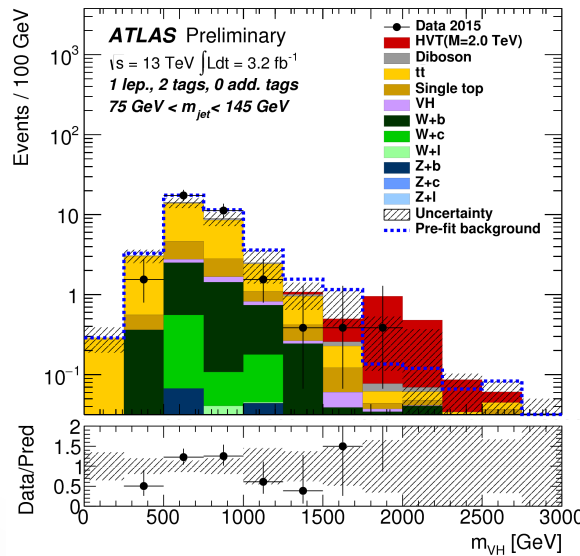
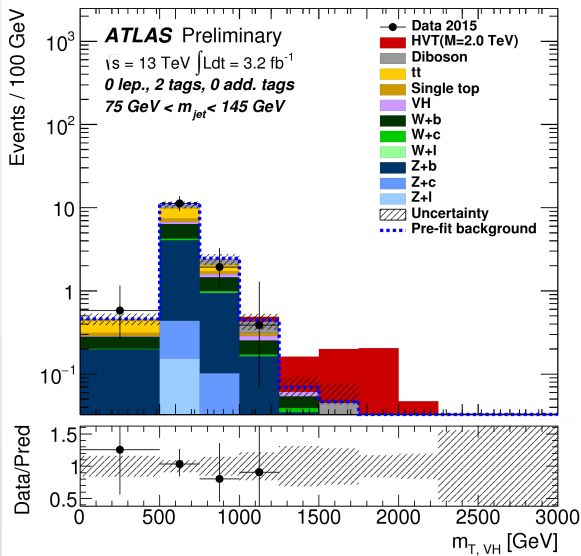
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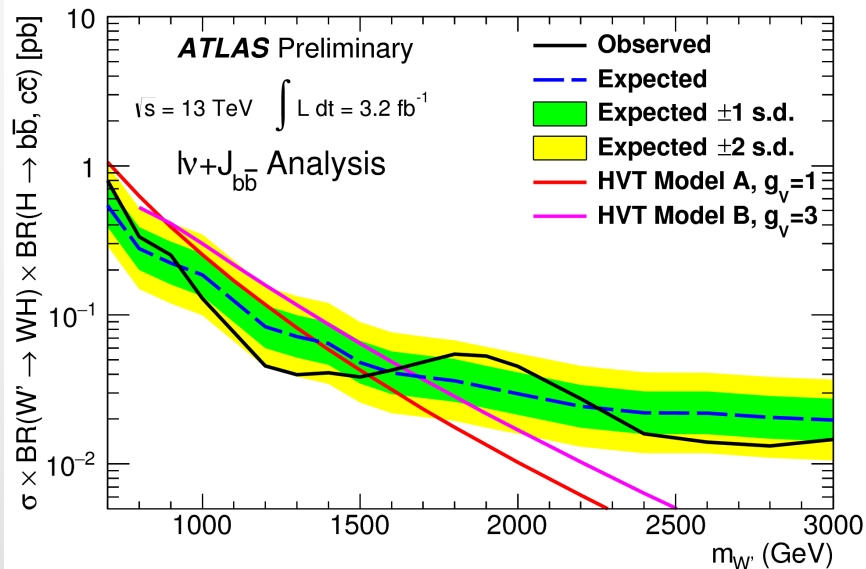
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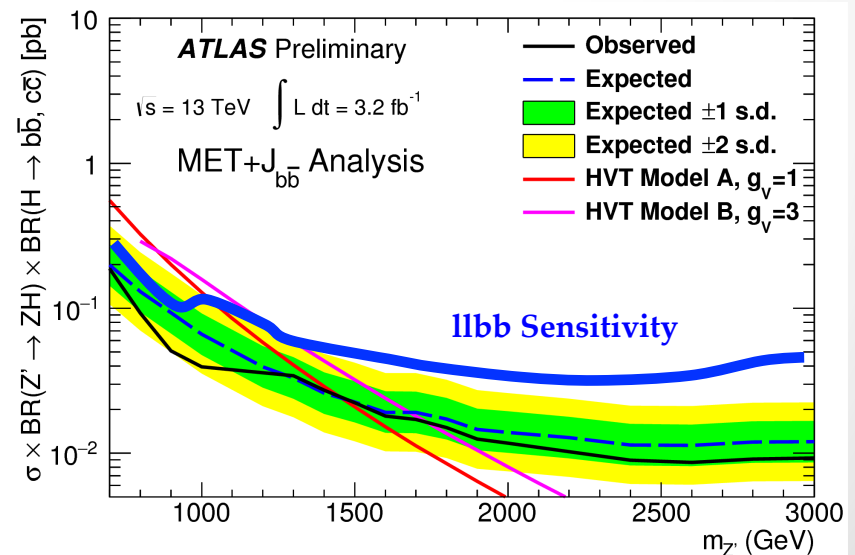
Constraints

- Heavy Vector Triplet is main benchmark
 - V'^{\pm} constrained from 1 lepton channel
 - V'^0 constrained from 0/2 lepton channels
- Combine with VV searches? \rightarrow more global constraints

HVT Charged V^{\pm}



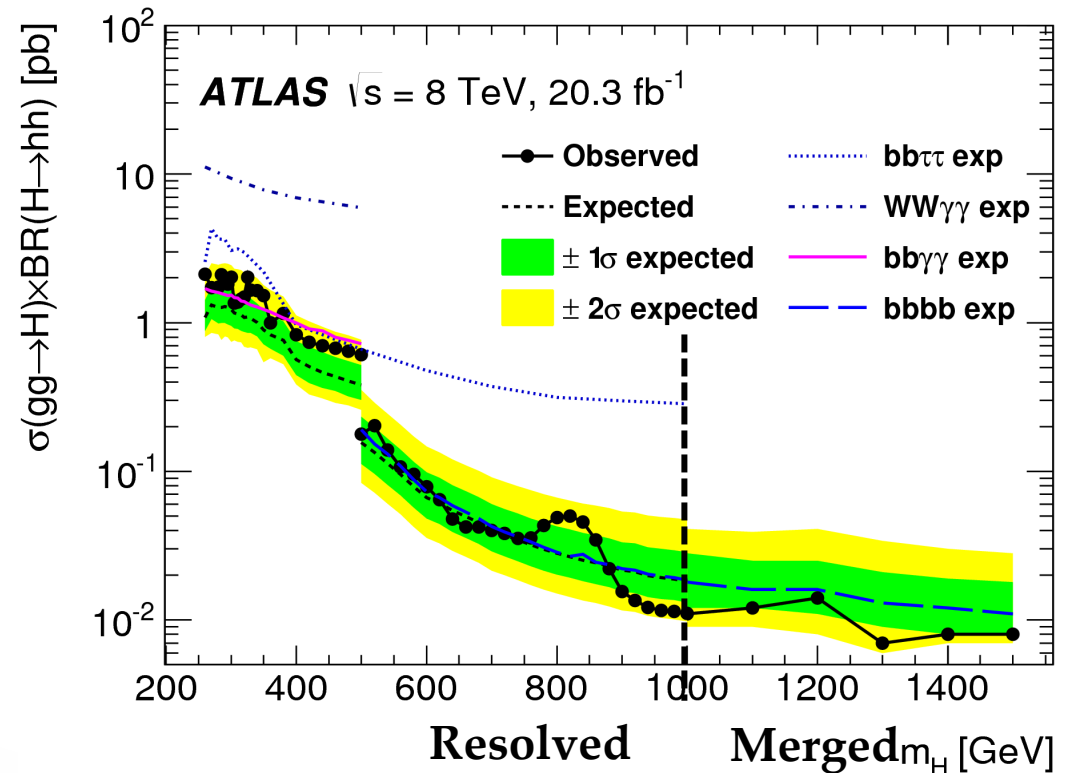
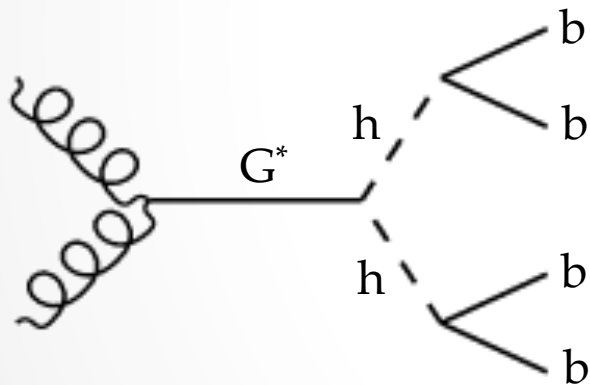
HVT Neutral V^0



HH
(bbb)

HH from Run 1

- Run 1 result : sensitivity dominated by 4b
- Run 2 priority : push sensitivity boundary with 4b



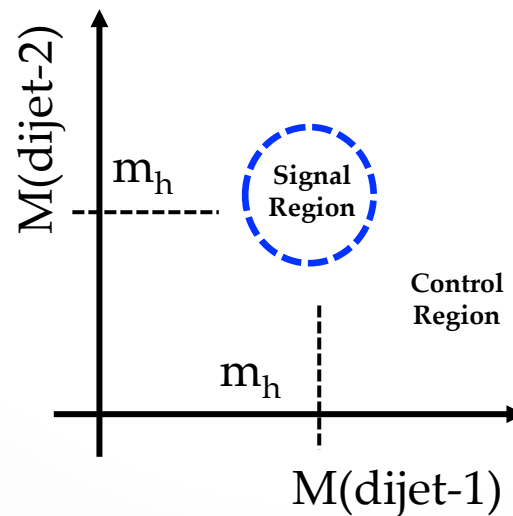
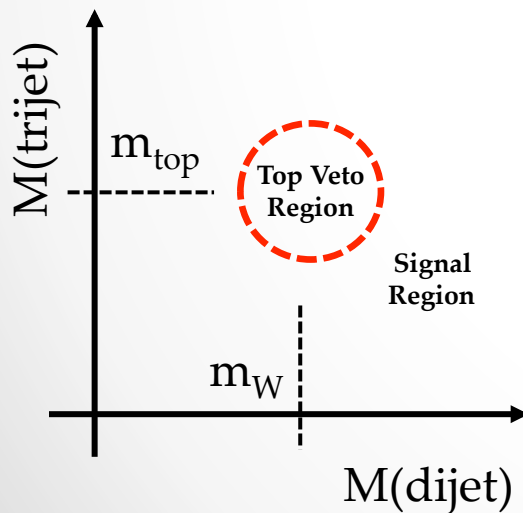
Search Strategy

- Hard division based on $M(X)$ @ 1100 GeV

Resolved

Small-R calo jets $\rightarrow M(j,j,j)$

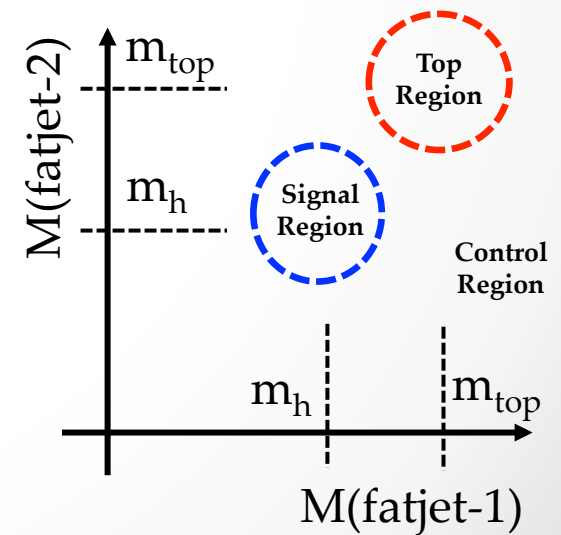
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Merged

Trimmed+track jets $\rightarrow M(J,J)$

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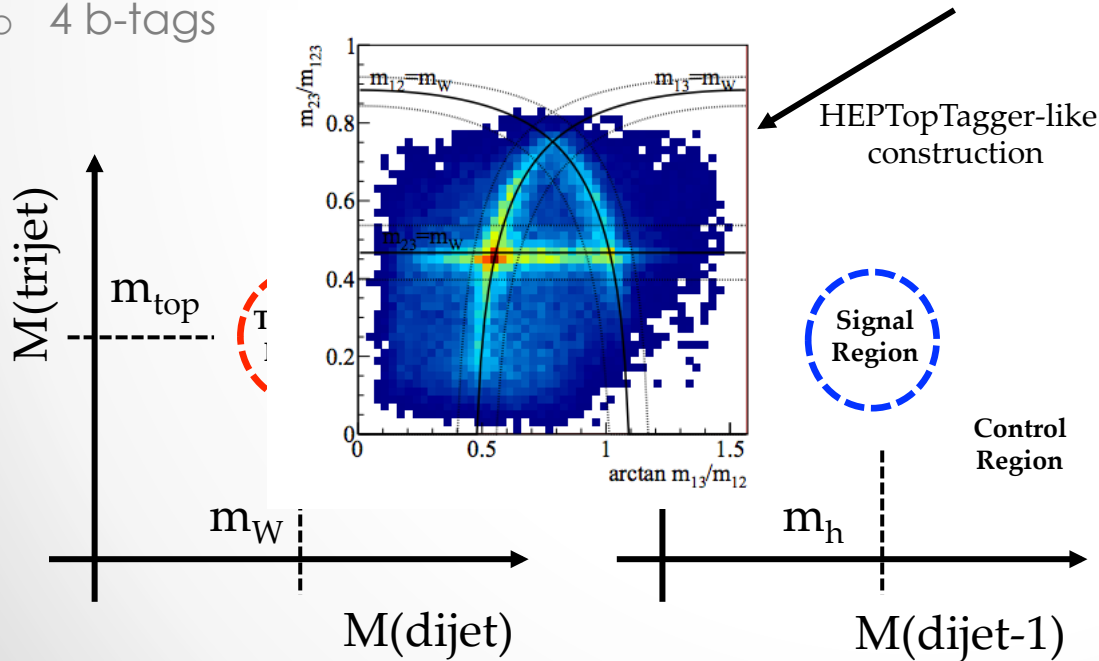
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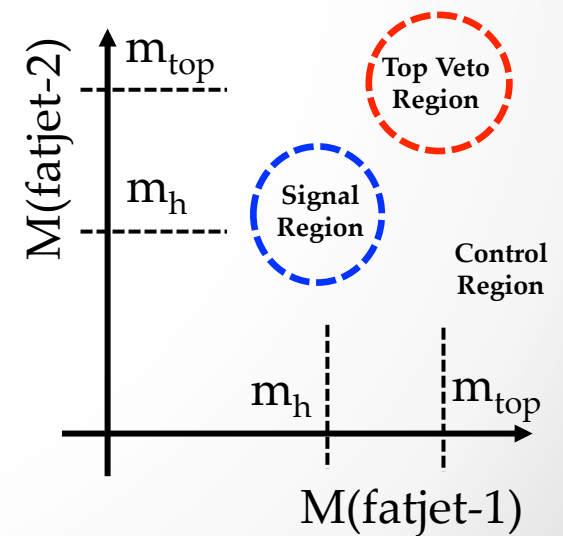
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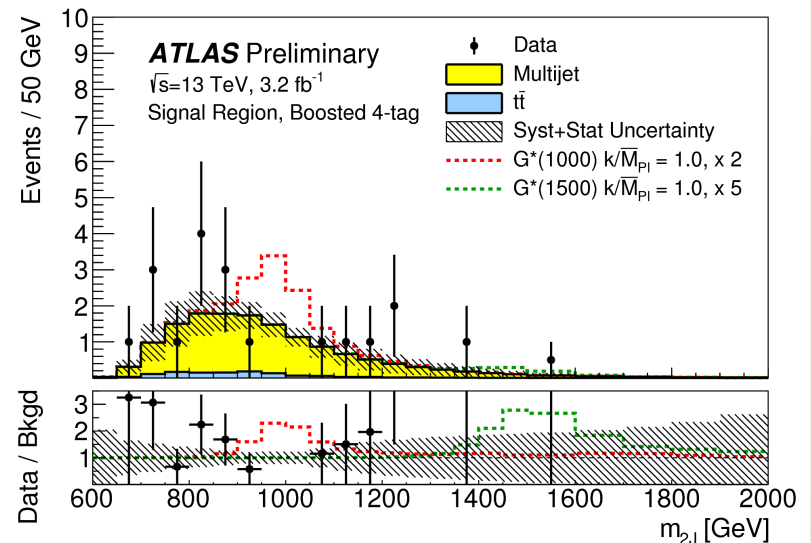
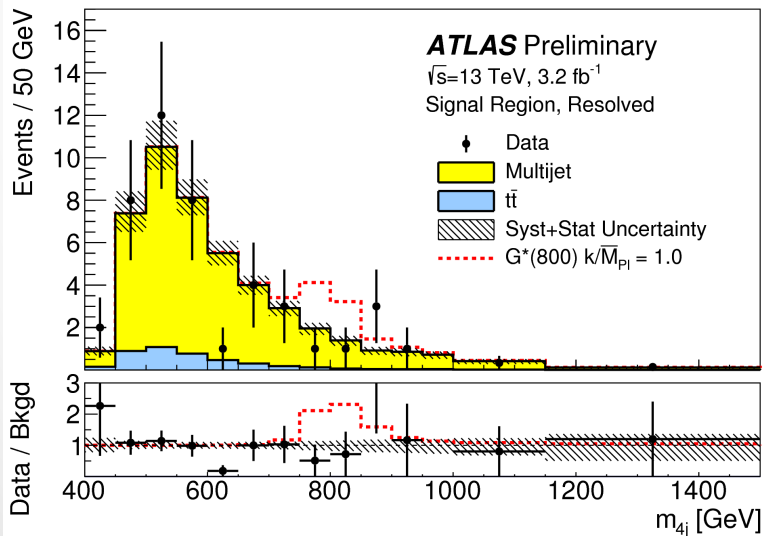
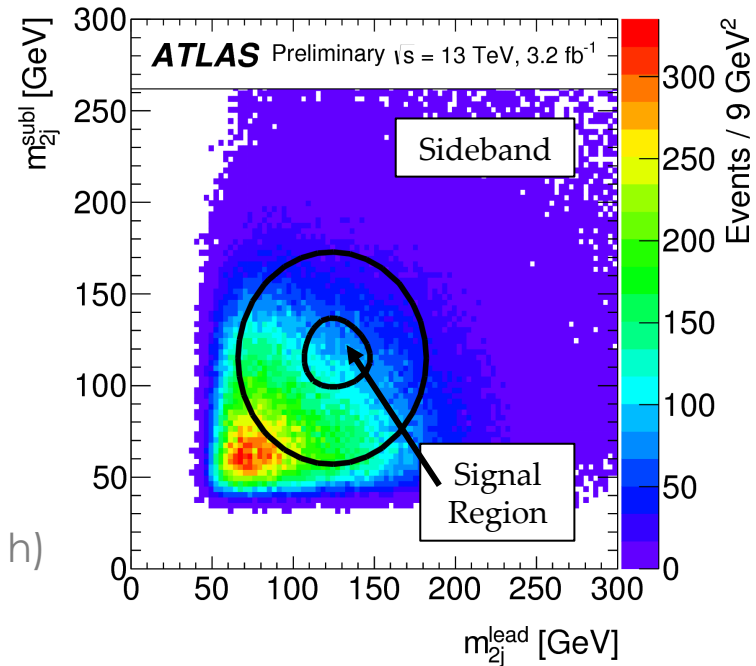
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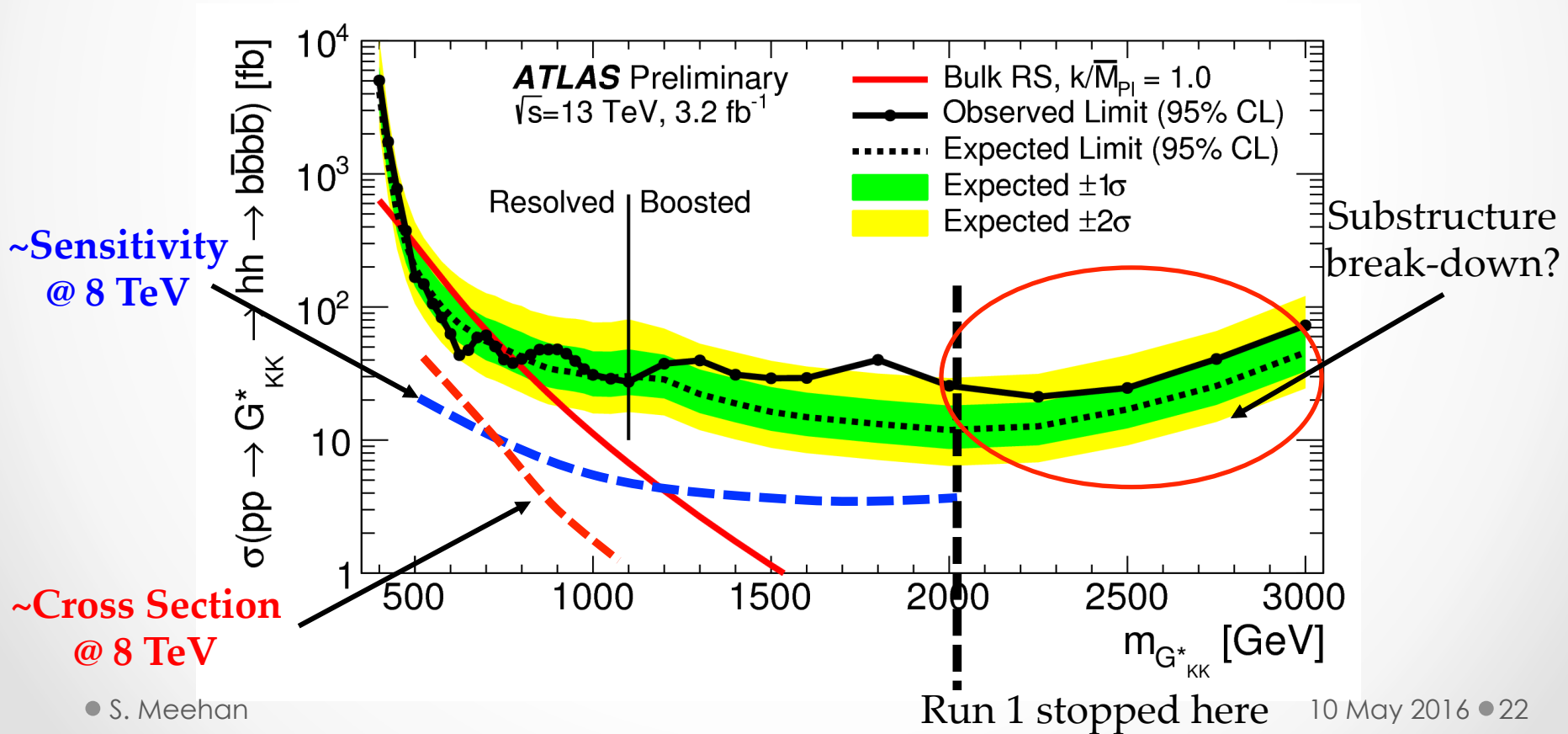
Results

- Backgrounds : multijet + $t\bar{t}$
- Multijet : 2-tag SR $\times \mu_{\text{sideband}}$
 - Resolved : μ_{sideband} from simple ratio (4-tag/2-tag)
 - Merged : μ_{sideband} from fit jet mass (top peak!)
- $t\bar{t}$
 - Resolved : invert $t\bar{t}$ -veto \rightarrow scale by ε (top to fake h)
 - Merged : MC \rightarrow normalized simultaneous to MJ



Constraints

- Sensitivity to BSM already at Run 1 level
 - Pushing phase space to “ultra”-boosted region
- Sensitivity still far away from SM prediction of $\sigma(pp \rightarrow hh)$
 - Limit here : $\sigma < 1.22 \text{ pb}$
 - SM prediction : $\sigma_{SM} < 12.9 \text{ fb}$... factor of 100 to go ...



Conclusions / Thoughts

- Run 2 dataset (thus far) handled well due to experience/knowledge obtained in Run 1
 - Many results we've had since December
- Still many opportunities for improvement!
 - Fatjet performance ... trigger level analyses ... more global combinations ... VBF

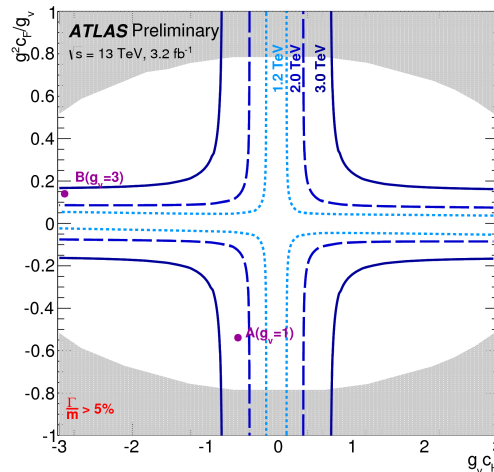
Performance

Experimental uncertainties

Type of uncertainty	Impact (%)
Total	81
Data statistical	78
Systematic	22
Experimental uncertainties	
R = 0.4 jets	4.4
E_T^{miss}	2.2
R = 1.0 jets	16
Theoretical uncertainties	
Signal	6.5
Z+jets	9.9
W+jets	9.1
Top	11

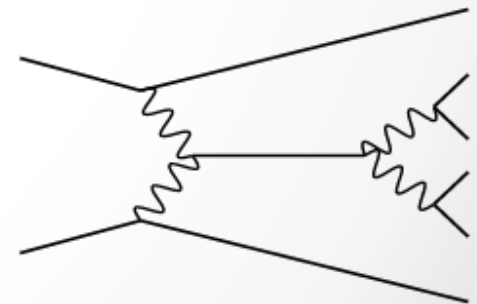
Interpretations

VV ... +VH ... +HH



New Channels

Tag the production



BACKUP

What are the ingredients?

Electrons

- e-cal cluster with track
- p_T down to 7 GeV
- $|\eta| < 2.47$
- Quality based on shower shape likelihood (loose, medium, tight)
- Track (and calo) isolation
- d_0, z_0 Impact parameter

Small-R Jets

- Topoclusters \rightarrow anti- k_T $R=0.4$
- p_T down to 20 GeV
- $|\eta| < 2.5$ (4.5)
- JetVertexTagger for low p_T jets
 - Pileup rejection
- B-tagging : BDT combination
 - BDT(Vertexing + $d_{0,tracks}$)
 - 70% (77%) signal efficiency

Muons

- ID track + MS track
- p_T down to 7 GeV
- $|\eta| < 2.5$
- Quality based on tracking reco
- Track (and calo) isolation
- d_0, z_0 Impact parameter

Missing E_T

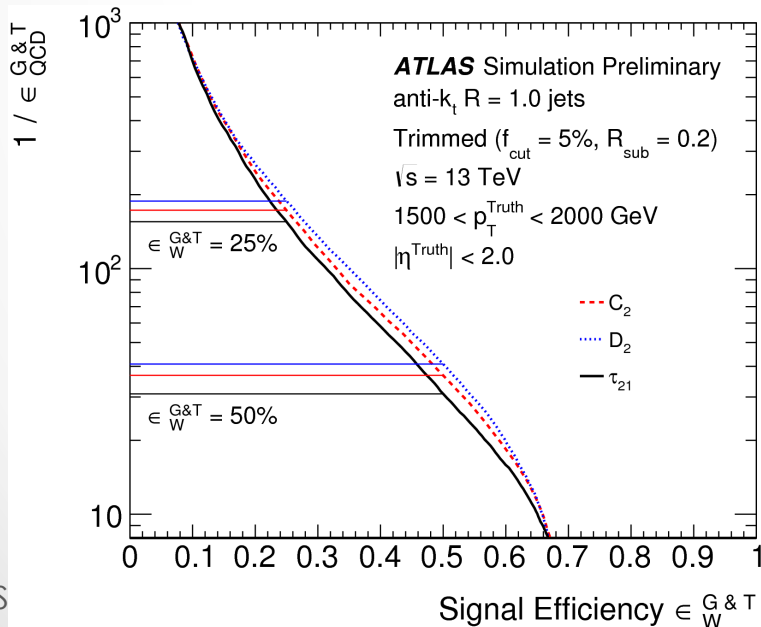
- Vector sum of two components
- Calibrated activity (hard objects):
 - Electrons, muons, small-R jets
- Unassigned activity (soft stuff):
 - Inner detector tracks

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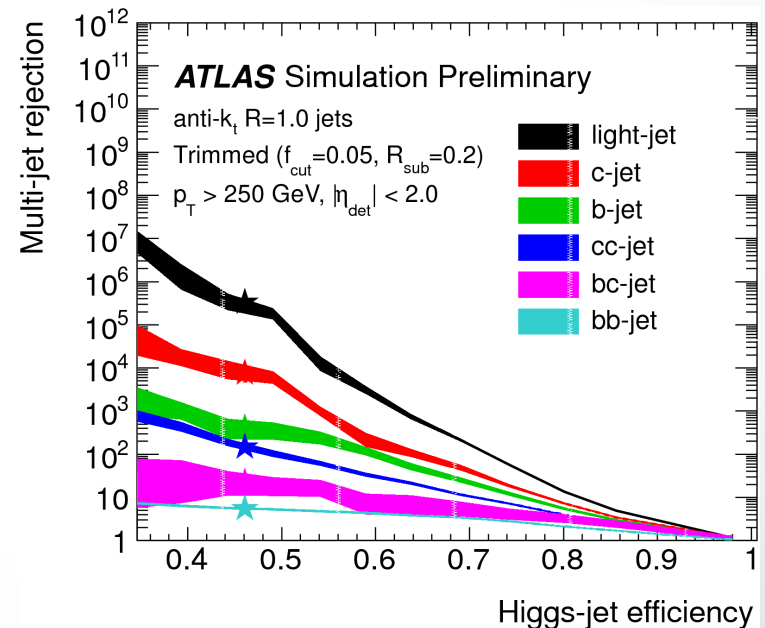
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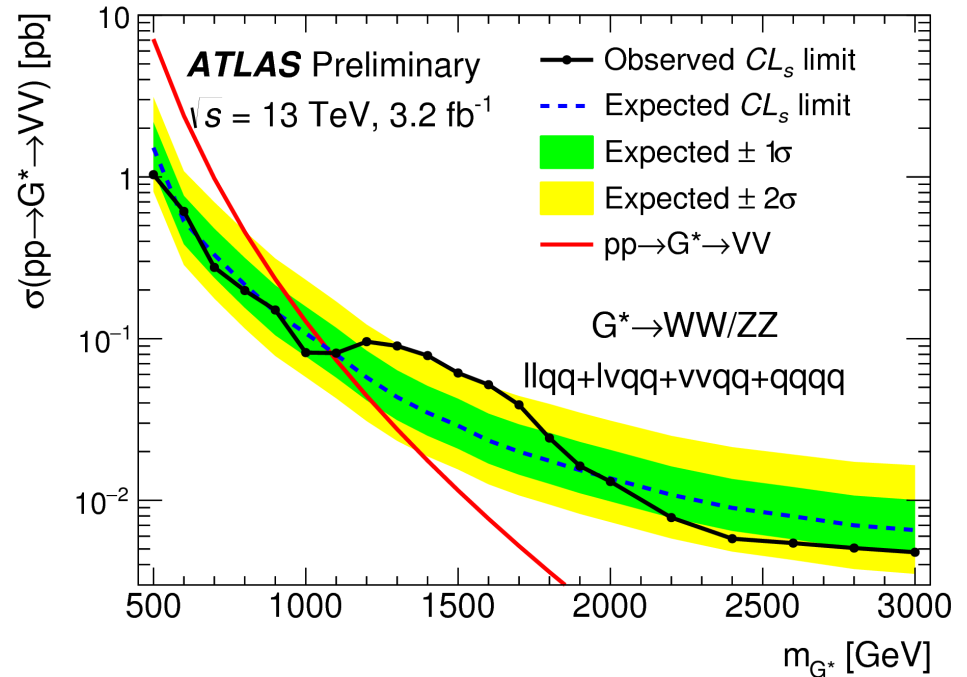
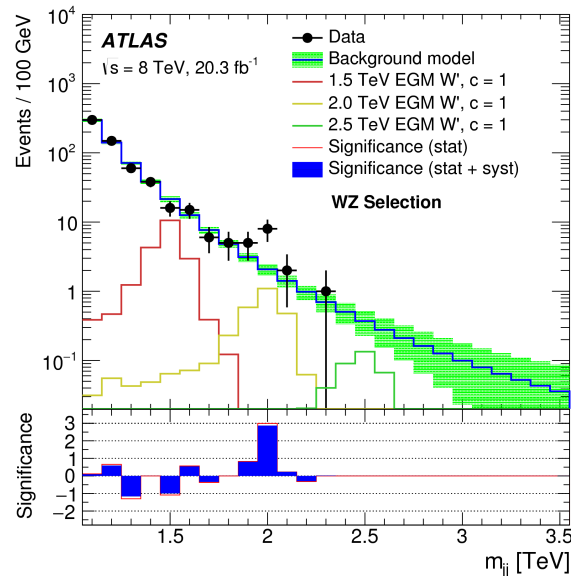
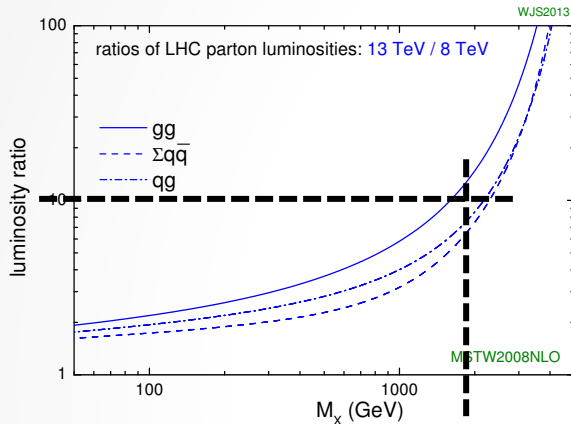
VV Combination

- Question 1 : What happened to Run 1 excess?

WARNING!

Not CLs-profile-likelihood-with-correlated-NP's

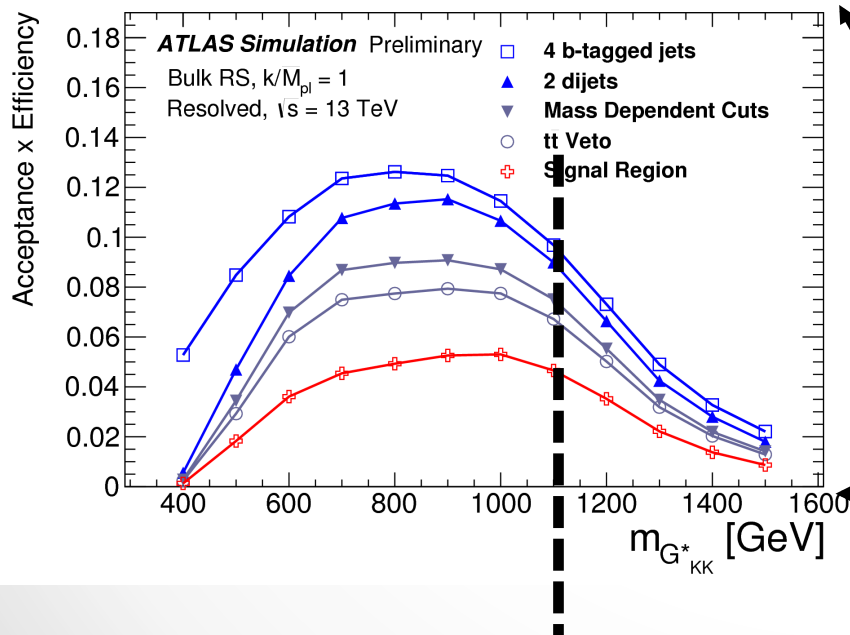
- X Production : $\sigma(pp \rightarrow X)$ increased by 5-10
- Sensitivity to X : Still less sensitive by factor ~ 3
- Should have shown up!
 - We have gamma-gamma now 😊



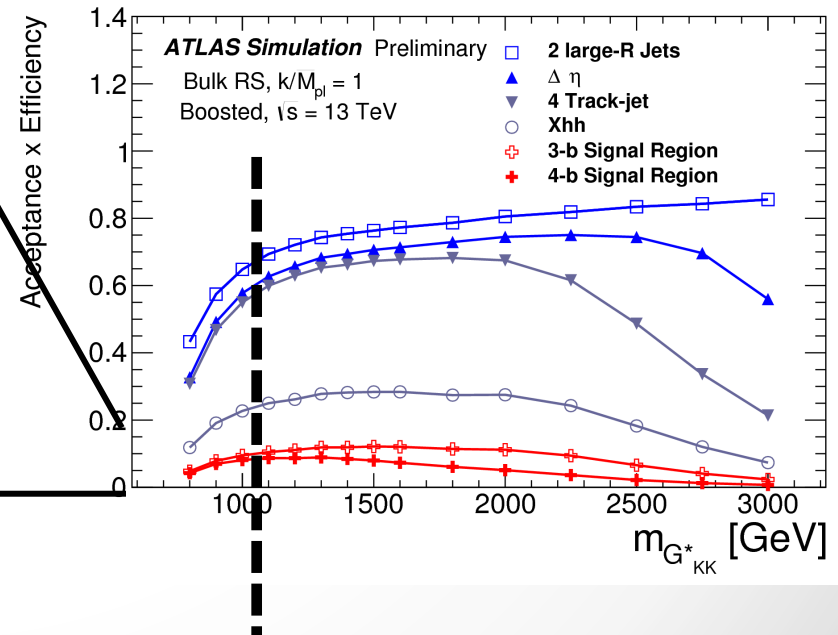
HH \rightarrow 4b

- Very low backgrounds \rightarrow Hard division “makes sense” from signal efficiency point of view
- Higgs tagging relies on true separation/isolation of objects
 - What happens in the “ultra”-boosted regime?

Resolved



Merged



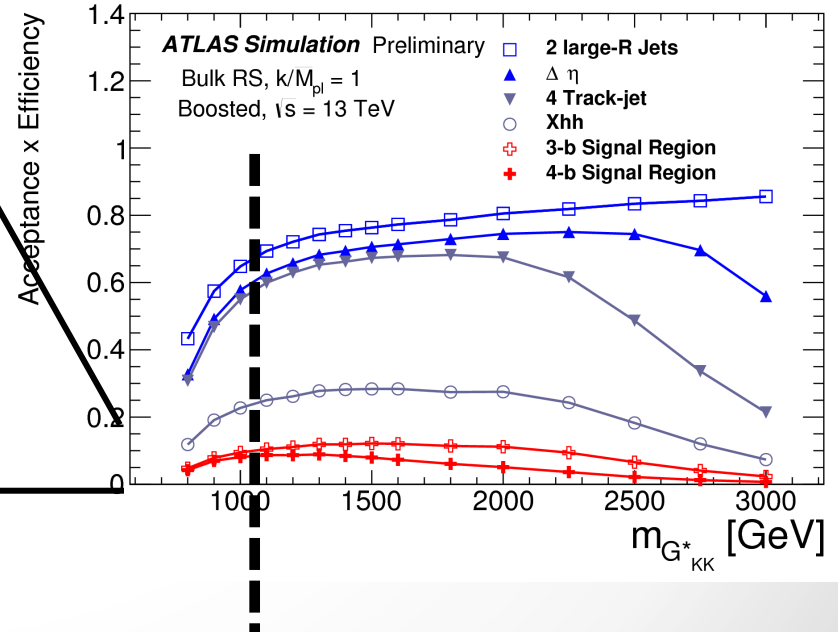
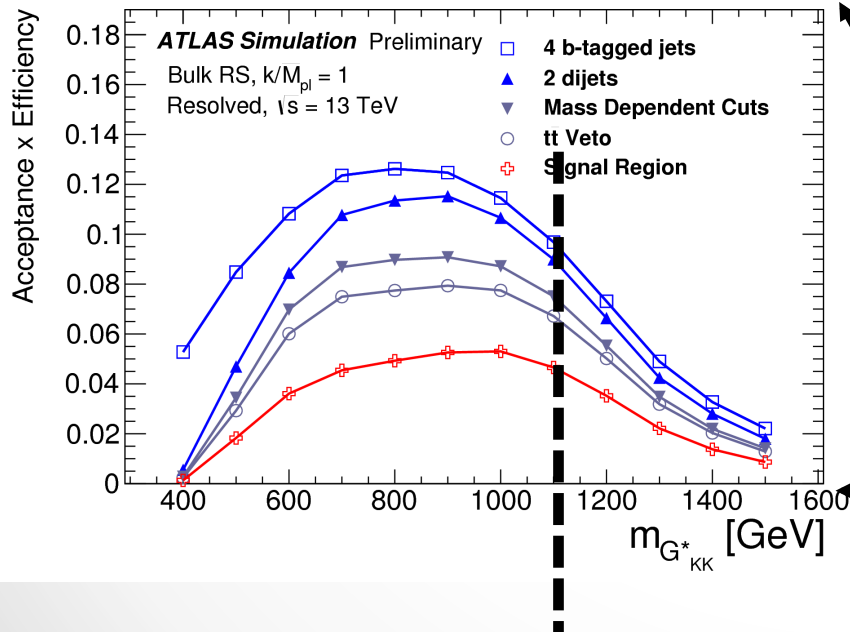
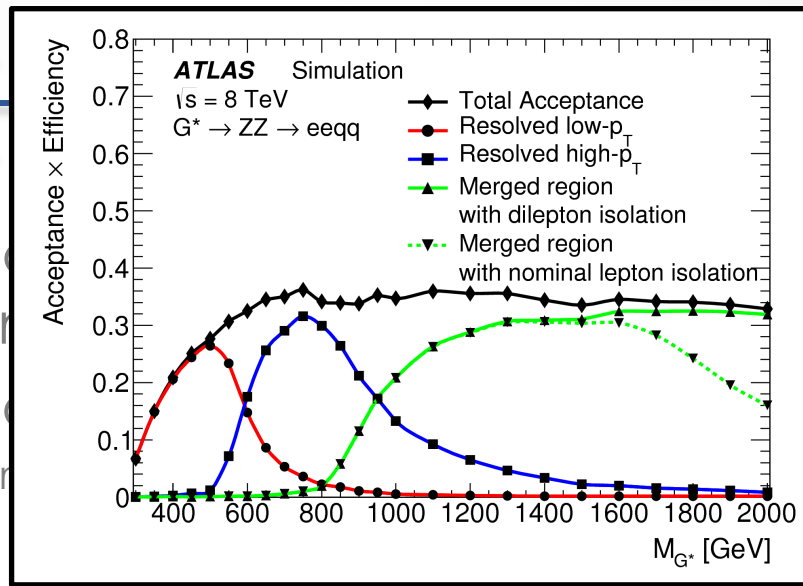
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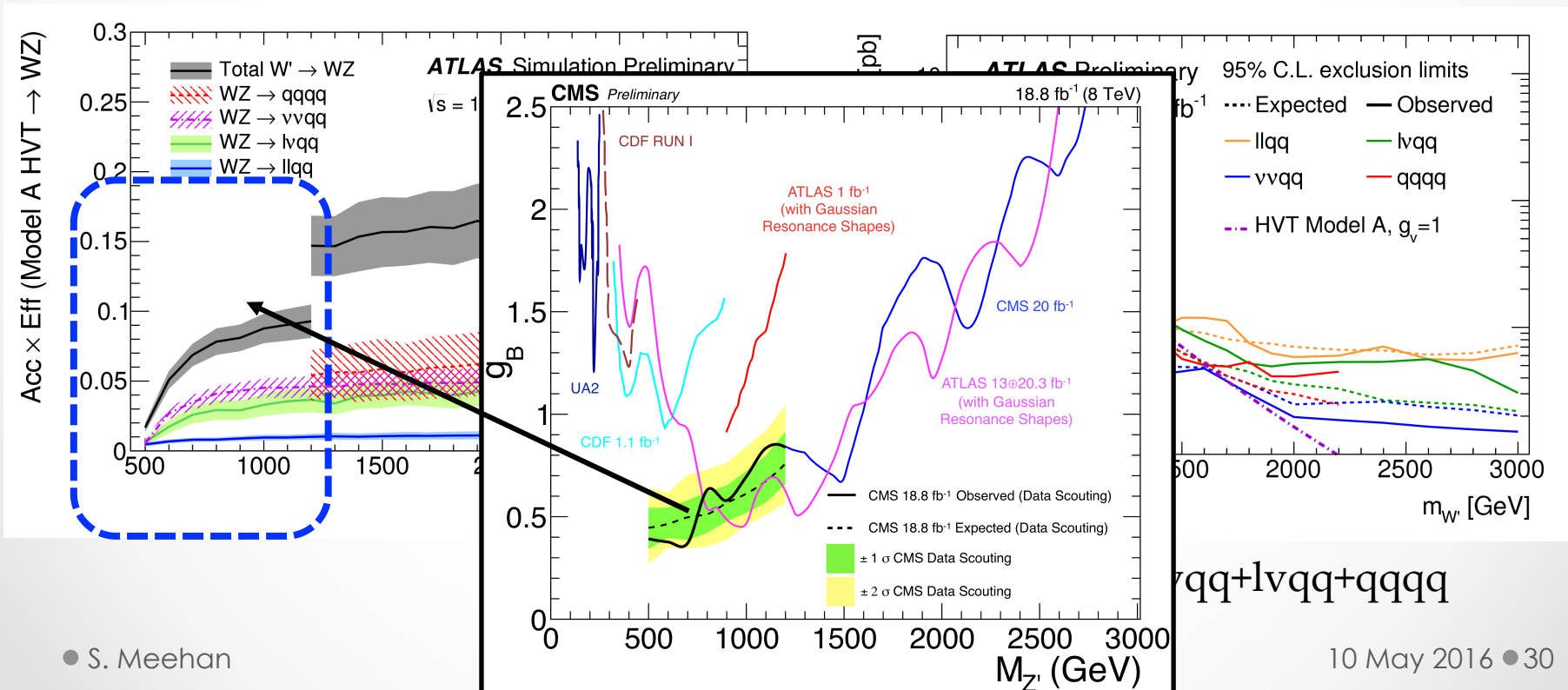
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 - Factor of 3 gain in sensitivity
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 - Trigger level analysis? JSS in the trigger? (<https://cds.cern.ch/record/2104248>)



Ntracks(Ungroomed)

- $N(\text{tracks,ungroomed}) < 30$ used in analysis
- Additional calibration of tagger performed

