

MonoHiggs to $b\bar{b}$ in Association with Dark Matter

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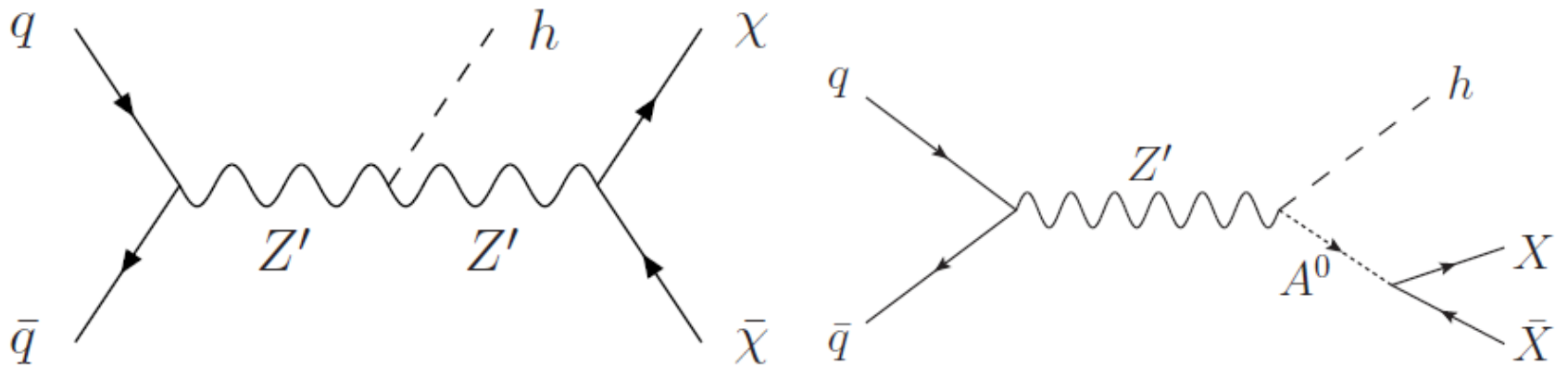


Summary of Signal

- What is a monoHiggs?
 - *Higgs boson produced by itself. Production and event topology separate Higgs from monoHiggs*
- Signal is associated production of a Higgs with a pair of Dark Matter candidates, where $H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$
- Require no leptons, large MET (dark matter candidates) and 2 b-tagged jets ($H \rightarrow b\bar{b}$)
- Background contributions come from $t\bar{t}$, W+jets and Z+jets
- W+jets and Z+jets control regions and signal region sidebands used to control the backgrounds

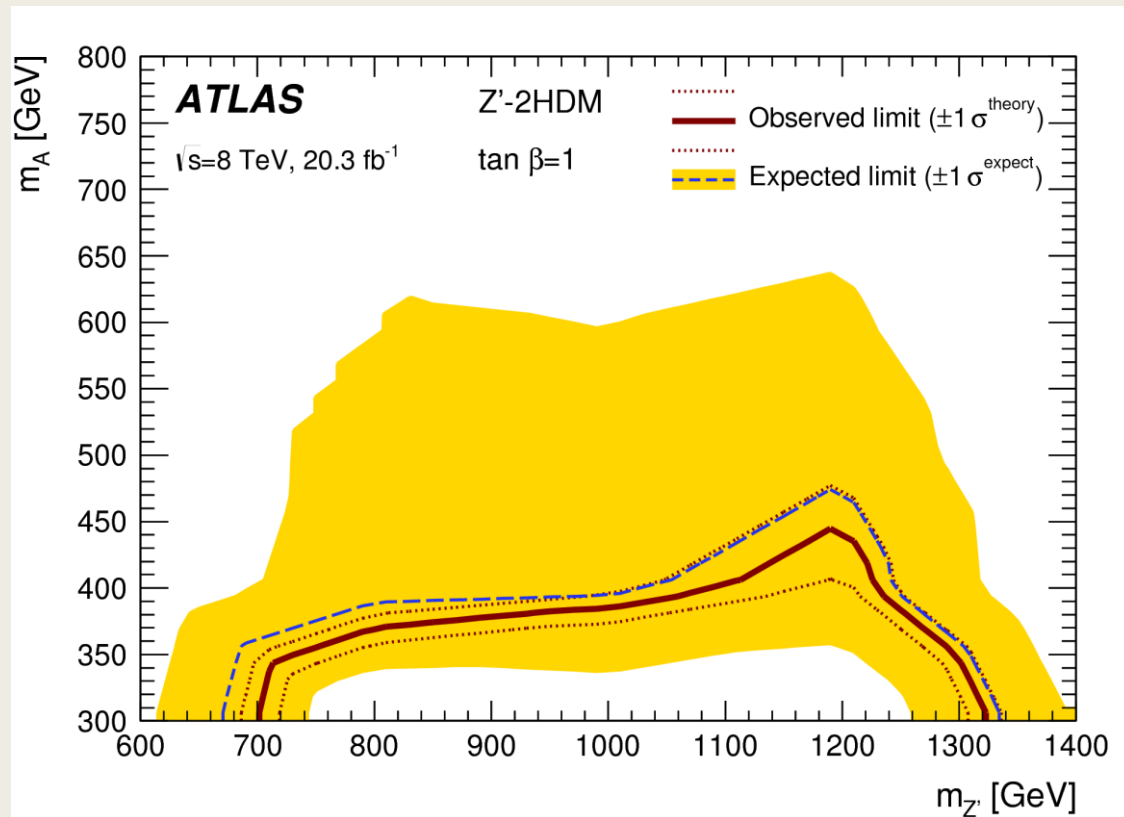
Models

- Simplified model
 - Vector mediator (Z')
 - Vary Z' and dark matter mass
- Z' -2HDM model
 - Model predicts an additional heavy Higgs (A^0)
 - Vary Z' and A^0 mass



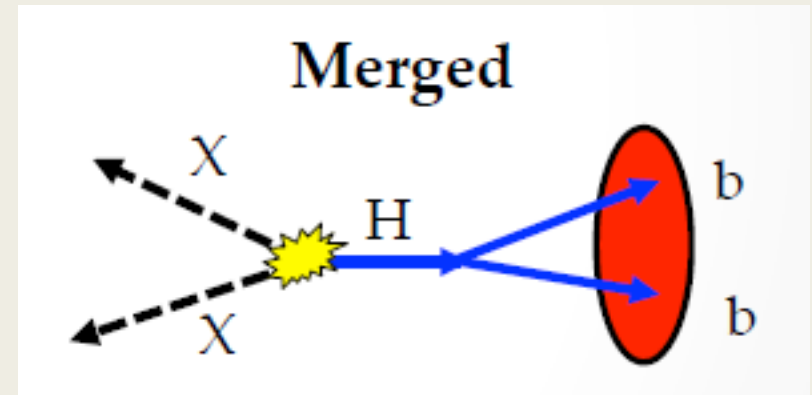
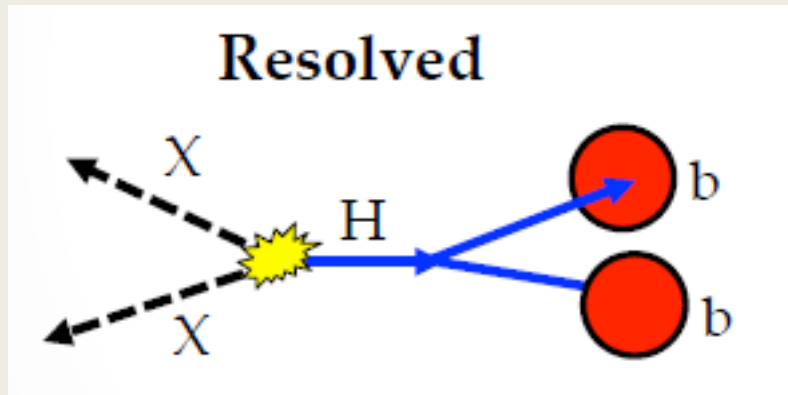
Current Status of Limits

- Shown below: Mass exclusion plot for the Z'-2HDM model from Run 1 results
- We will extend the centre of mass energy with Run 2 results – this will give better sensitivity to dark matter
- There are no current limits on the simplified vector mediator model



Resolved vs Merged Regions

- We combine results from a resolved (small R jet) and a merged (large R jet) region
- Large R jets are constructed from at least two track jets with anti- k_T $R=0.2$
- A b-tagging algorithm identified b-tagged jets (resolved) or b-tagged track jets (merged)
- Improve resolution of the jets used in Higgs reconstruction by adding back in muons



Signal Region Analysis Cuts

- Uses MET Trigger (with 100% efficiency at ~ 150 GeV)
- Leptons : Veto events with any loose electrons or muons
- $MPT > 30$ GeV
- Series of cuts applied to reduce QCD backgrounds:

Merged

- $MET > 500$ GeV
- $N(\text{fatjets}) \geq 1$
- Track jet b-tag counting on two leading subjets : exactly 0, 1, or 2

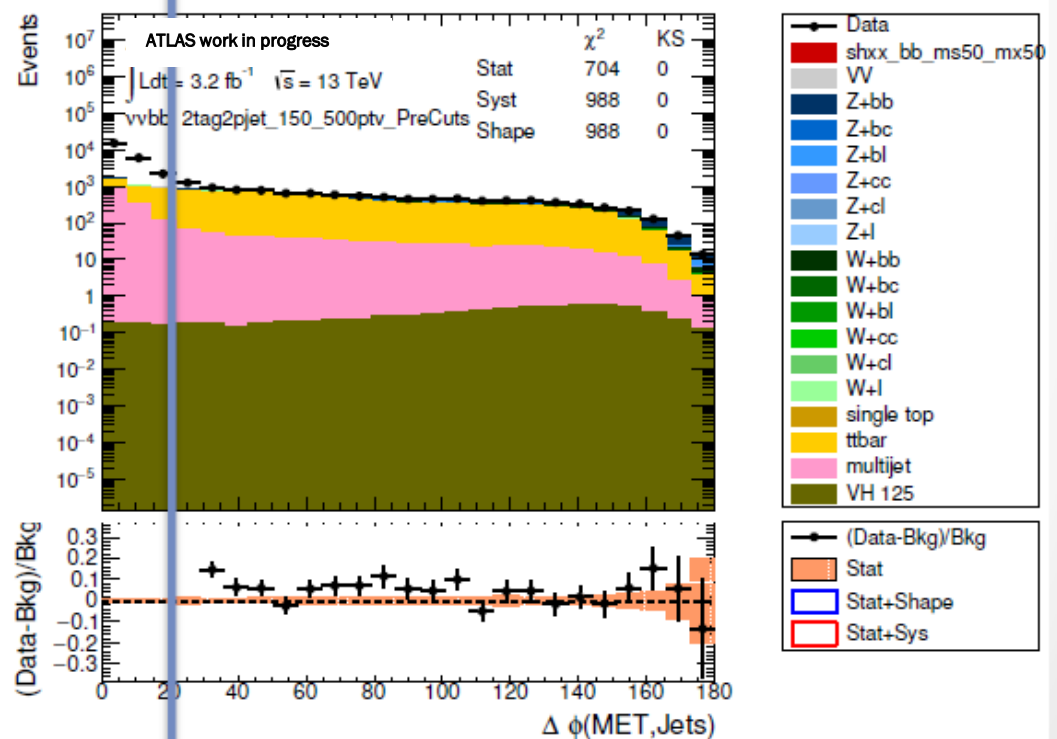
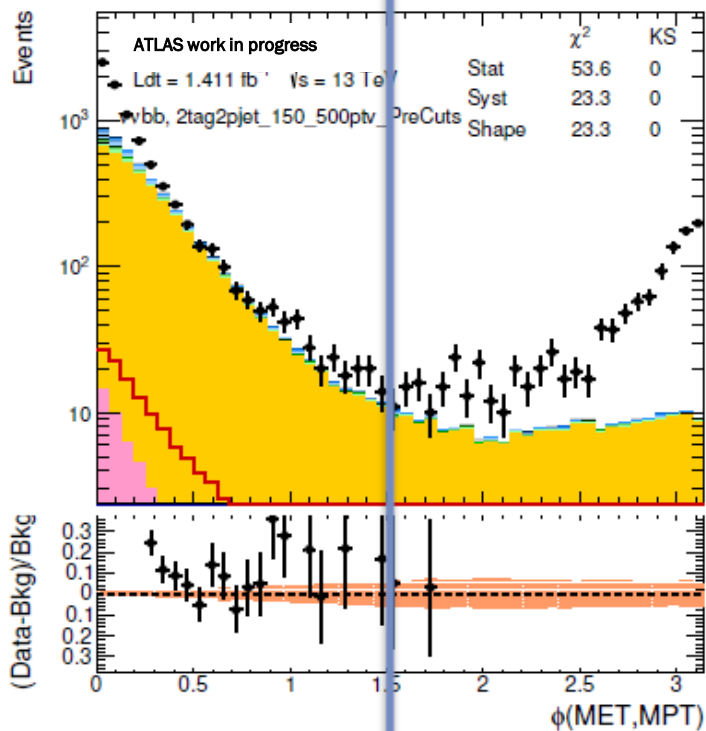
Resolved

- $MET = 150\text{-}500$ GeV
- $\text{Min}[\Delta\Phi(\text{MET}, \text{jets})] > 20^\circ$
- $\Delta\Phi(\text{MET}, \text{MPT}) < 90^\circ$
- $N(\text{central jets}) \geq 2$
- $[\text{pT}(j1) \text{ or } \text{pT}(j2)] > 45$ GeV
 - *$j1$ and $j2$ are those used in Higgs reconstruction*
- HT(lead three jets)
 - > 120 GeV if $N(\text{central jets}) == 2$
 - > 150 GeV if $N(\text{central jets}) \geq 3$
- $\Delta\Phi(j1, j2) < 140^\circ$
- $\Delta\Phi(\text{MET}, j1 + j2) > 120^\circ$

QCD Background

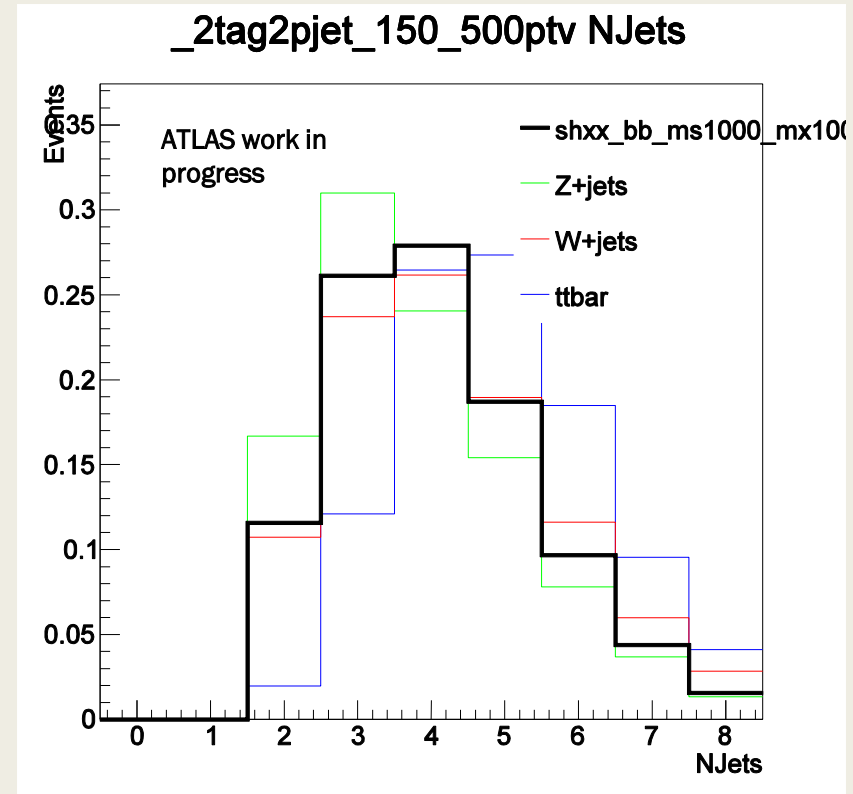
Cuts to suppress QCD background:

- $\text{Min}[d\phi(\text{MET}, \text{jets})] > 20^\circ$ (Inverse of cut used for multijet background estimation) and $d\phi(\text{MET}, \text{MPT}) < 90^\circ$
- Difference in MC/data is the multijet QCD background

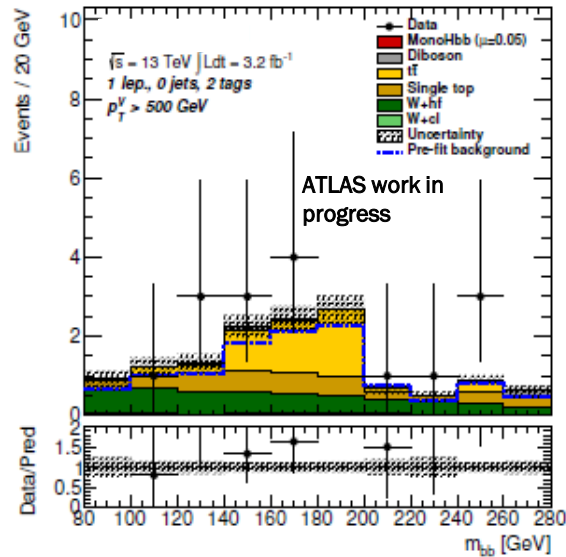
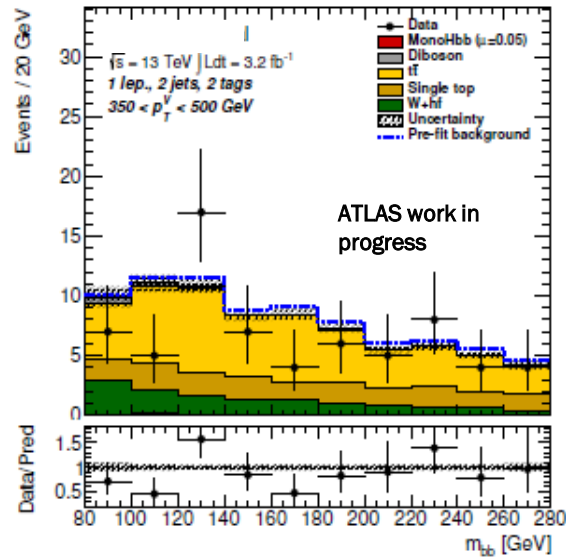
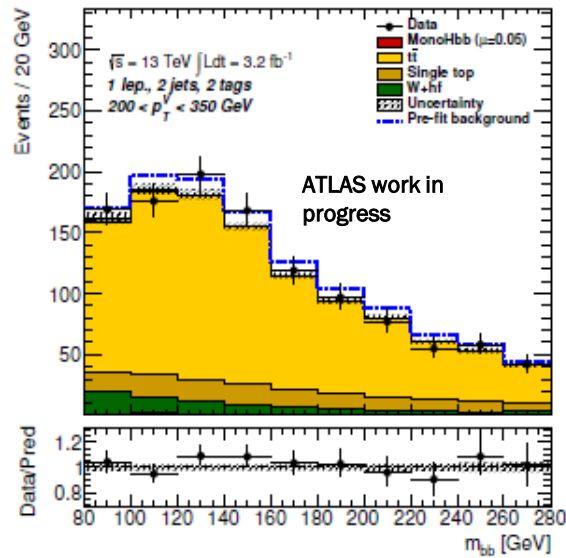
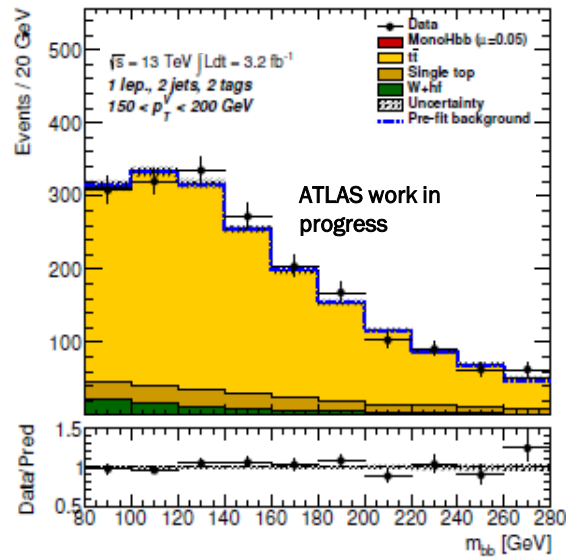


W+jets/ $t\bar{t}$ Control Region

- We require exactly 1 muon in each event
- Apply the same analysis cuts as used on the signal region
 - *Look at the same phase space*
 - *MET needs to be substituted in all cuts with (MET+muon) – this is the proxy for the system which recoils from the Higgs*
- By looking at jet multiplicities, we can separate W+jets and $t\bar{t}$ events to some extent



Post-Fit Plots: W +jets/ $t\bar{t}$ Control Region

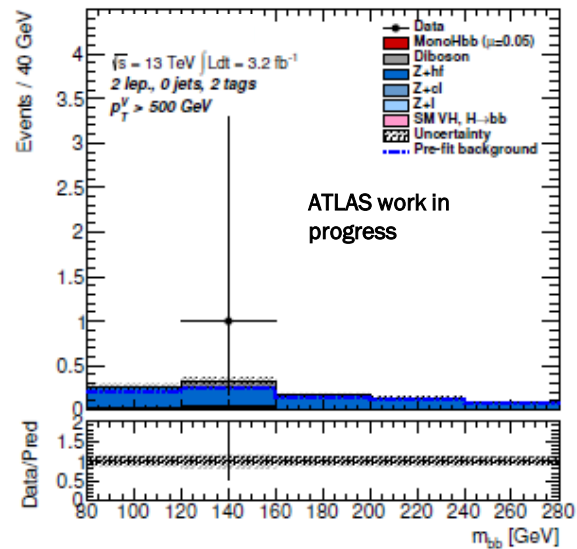
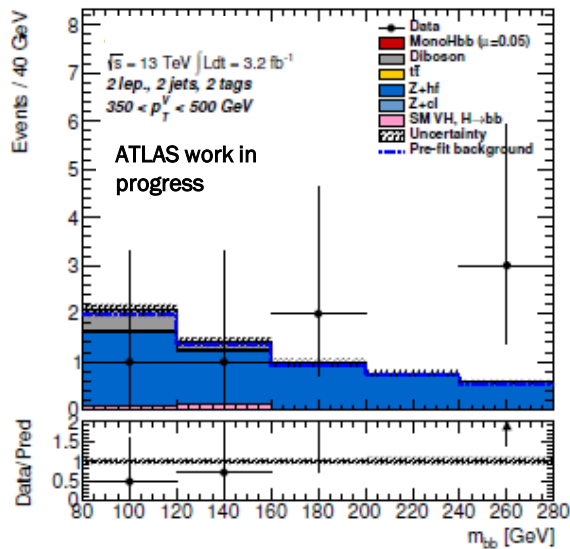
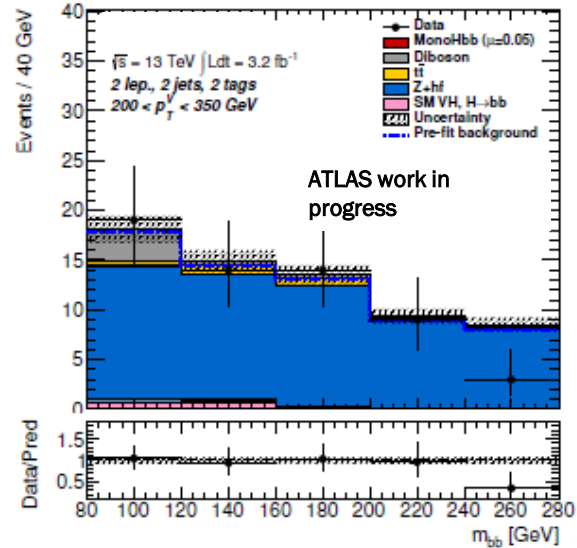
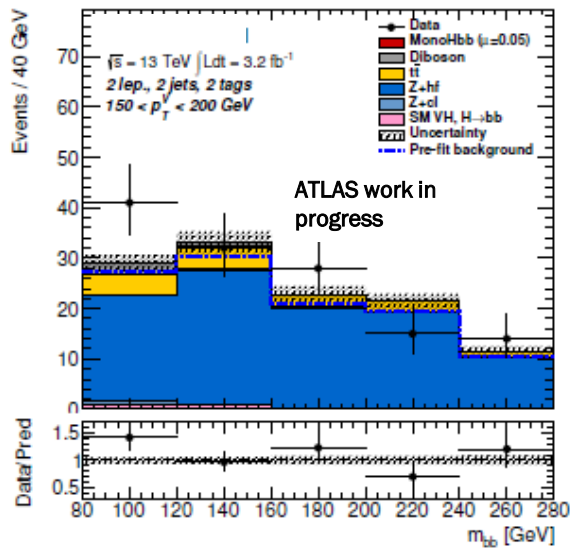


- $m(\text{BB})$ plots
- W+jets in green
- $t\bar{t}$ in yellow
- MET bins of:
 - 150-200GeV
 - 200-350GeV
 - 350-500GeV
 - >500GeV

Z+jets Control Region

- Require exactly 2 electrons or 2 muons
- Use a range of lepton triggers in place of previously used MET trigger
- Apply same analysis cuts with following differences:
 - *MET is substituted in all cuts with $(l+l)$, again as a proxy that recoils against the Higgs*
 - *Using $pt(l+l)$ also reduces contributions from top backgrounds*
- We assume that the MC shape for Z+jets with 2 leptons in the event is the same as Z+jets with no leptons in the event

Post-Fit Plots: Z+jets Control Region

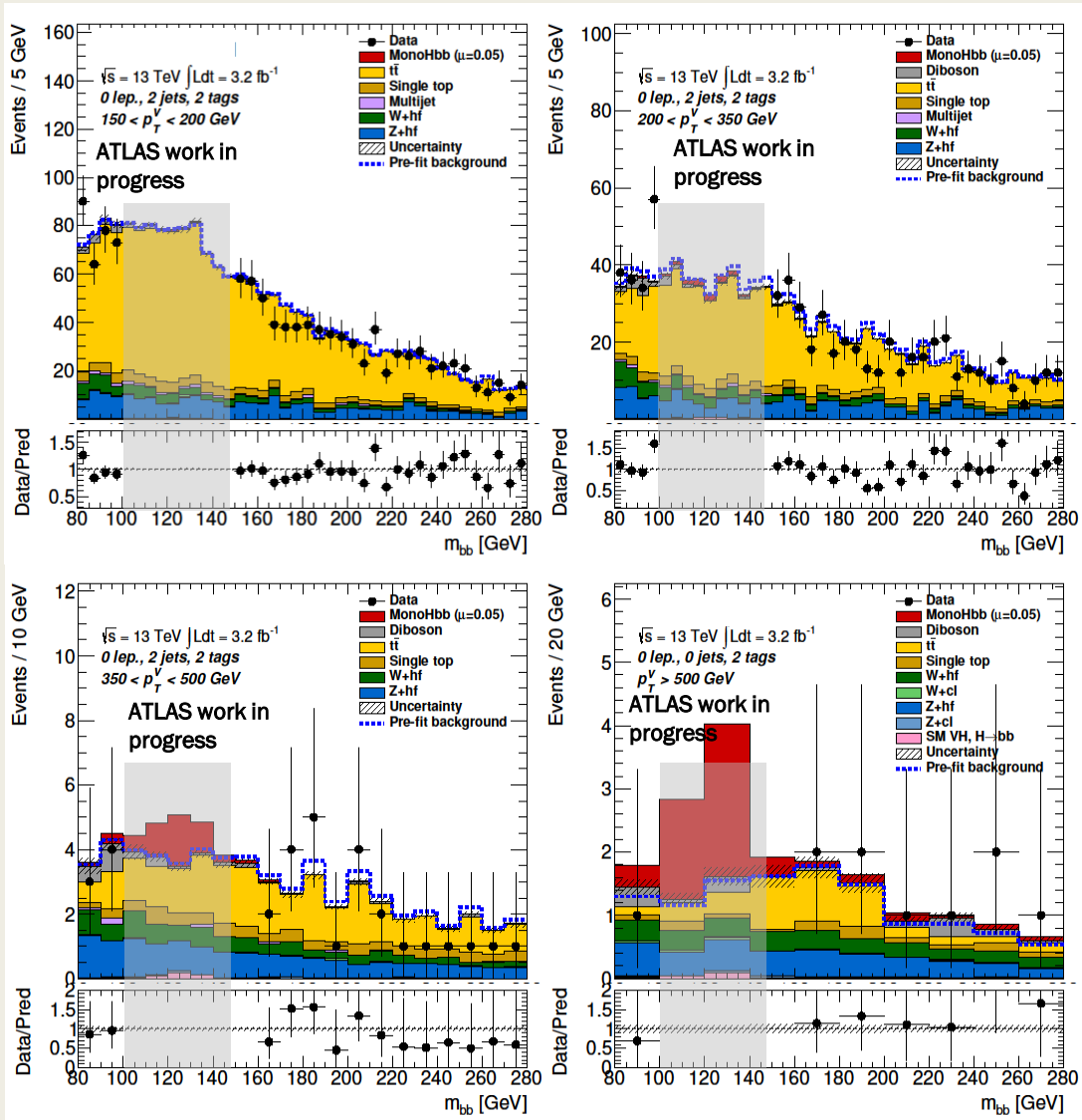


- m(BB) plots
- Z+jets in blue
- $t\bar{t}$ in yellow
- MET bins of:
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Fitting

- Combined profile likelihood fit to $m(\text{BB})$ distribution in control regions and signal region sidebands
- Fitting will be done to 3.2fb^{-1} of Run 2 data
- Regions split by:
 - *Signal and Control Regions*
 - *MET bins in order to improve sensitivity: 150-200GeV, 200-350GeV, 350-500GeV, 500+GeV*
 - *As mentioned previously, MET is defined as:*
 - MET for Signal Region
 - $p\text{T}(\text{MET}+\text{muon})$ for W+jets/ $t\bar{t}$ Control Region
 - $p\text{T}(\text{II})$ for Z+jets Control Region
- Fitting seeks to normalise the background processes ($t\bar{t}$, W+jets, Z+jets) – other backgrounds floated within uncertainties

Post-Fit Plots: Signal Region



- Blinding:
 $m(\text{BB})=[100,150] \text{ GeV}$.
- Black points show data, red bins show prefit signal model.
- Signal shown here is vector mediator simplified with $m(\text{DM}) = 1 \text{ GeV}$ and $m(\text{Z}') = 2000 \text{ GeV}$
- The signals have arbitrary cross section before fit (here = 0.1 fb)
- Different models have different normalisations and sensitivities. This one is angled toward high MET.

Summary and Conclusion

- Backgrounds fully modelled and understood
- Complete set of MC signals collected
- Background systematic uncertainties and scale factors accounted for
- Selections have been tried and tested, proved to give good convergence
- After unblinding, new limits can be produced including the first ever limits for the vector mediator simplified model