



# Offshell and Interference

## experimental review

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# Overview

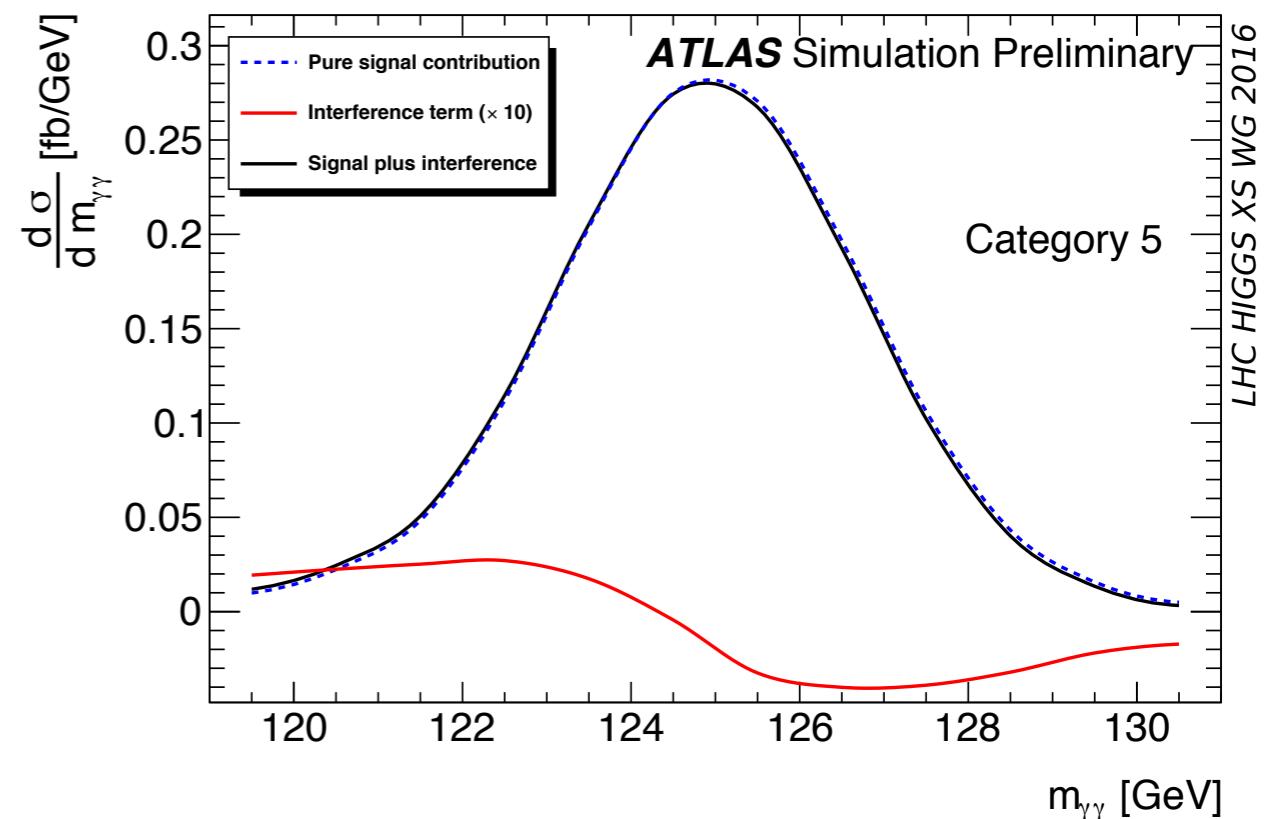
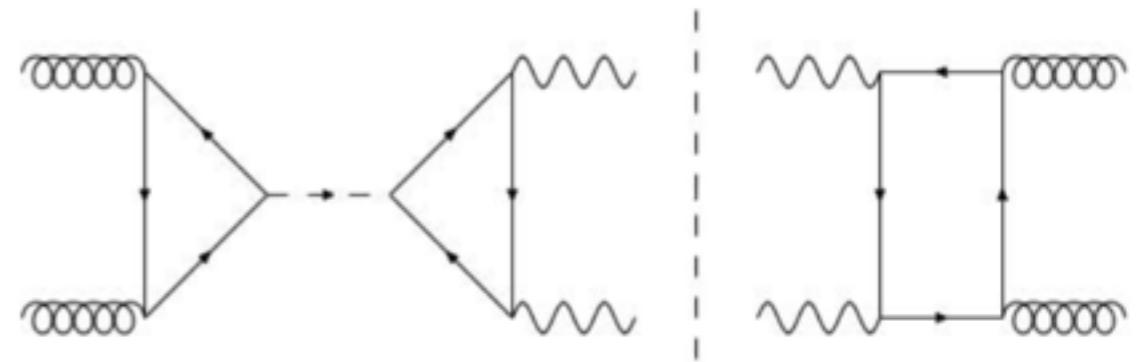
- Overall relatively lower activities within the experimental community
  - Run-I results have been well established
  - Not an early Run-2 analysis experimentally
- Three new public results were produced
  - Estimate of mH shift due to interference ( $gg \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$  and  $gg \rightarrow H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ ) for  $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ 
    - ATL-PHYS-PUB-2016-009, <https://cds.cern.ch/record/2146386>
  - Studies of higher order corrections on the  $gg \rightarrow H \rightarrow VV$ 
    - ATL-PHYS-PUB-2016-006: <https://cds.cern.ch/record/2127515>
  - CMS: “Search for Higgs boson off-shell production in proton-proton collisions at 7 and 8 TeV and derivation of constraints on its total decay width”
    - <http://arxiv.org/abs/1605.02329>

$H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$  interference studies

# Overview

- The imaginary part of the interference terms affect the overall yield by  $\sim 2\%$ 
  - Included in the  $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$  coupling analysis
- The real part of the interference terms change the line-shape of  $m_{\gamma\gamma} \rightarrow$  shift  $m_H$ 
  - Not included in the  $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$  coupling analysis
  - Quantify this shift using the correct detector description and event categorisation
    - Resolution, background shape and yield across different categories

	Conversion status	$ \eta $ region	$p_{T_t}$ cut
Category 1	Unconverted	Two $\gamma$ in $ \eta  < 0.75$	$p_{T_t} < 70$ GeV $p_{T_t} > 70$ GeV
Category 2		Every other configurations	$p_{T_t} < 70$ GeV $p_{T_t} > 70$ GeV
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Category 7		Two $\gamma$ in $ \eta  < 0.75$	$p_{T_t} < 70$ GeV $p_{T_t} > 70$ GeV
Category 8		Every other configurations	$p_{T_t} < 70$ GeV $p_{T_t} > 70$ GeV
Category 9		One $\gamma$ in $1.3 <  \eta  < 1.8$	None
Category 10			



# Experimental methods

- This analysis follows closely the well established mass measurement in the  $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$  channel
- Fit (S+B+I) data in the standard  $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$  mass measurement analysis
  - Generate (S+I) asimov data using Sherpa2.0, normalised to expectations in 8 TeV
  - Merge the S+I asimov data with the Background shape from data as in  $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$  analysis
- Compare with the fit results using S+B data
- Expected shift is 10 times smaller than the experimental resolution (500 MeV)

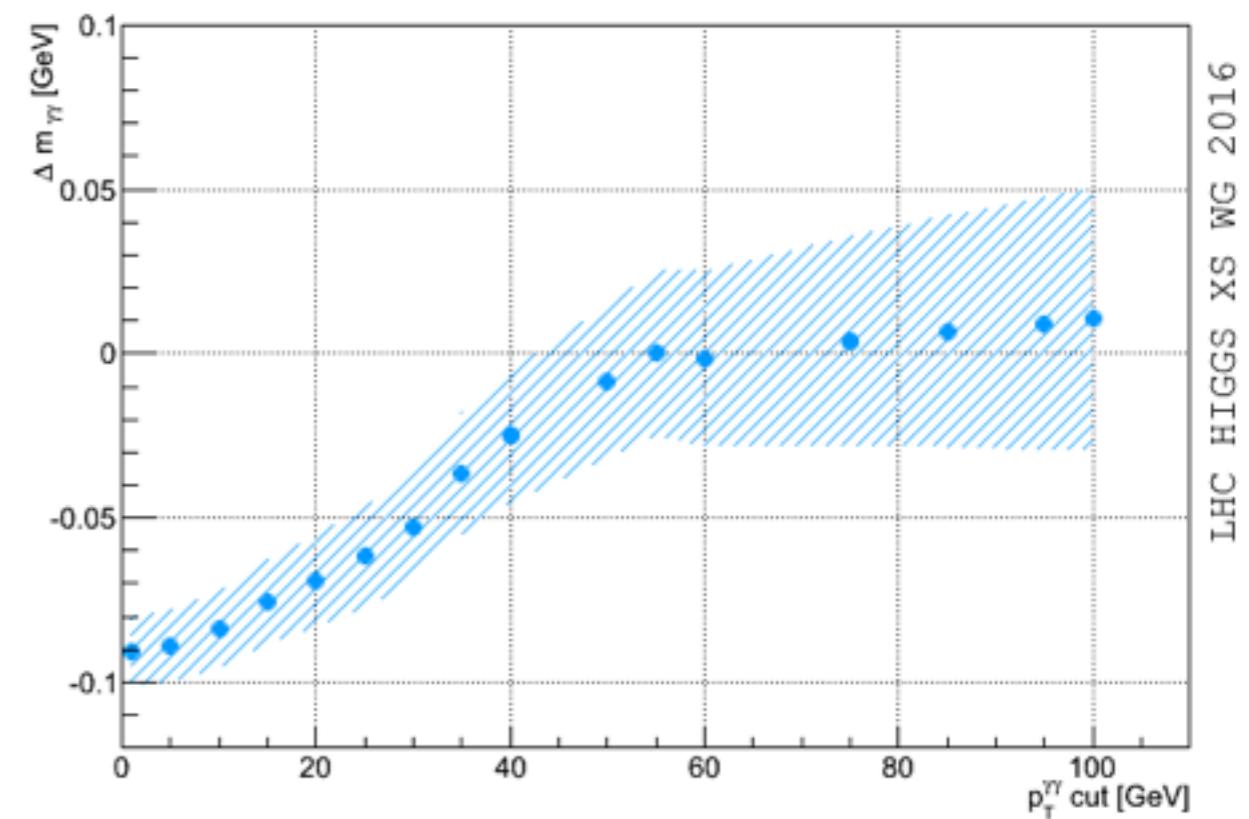
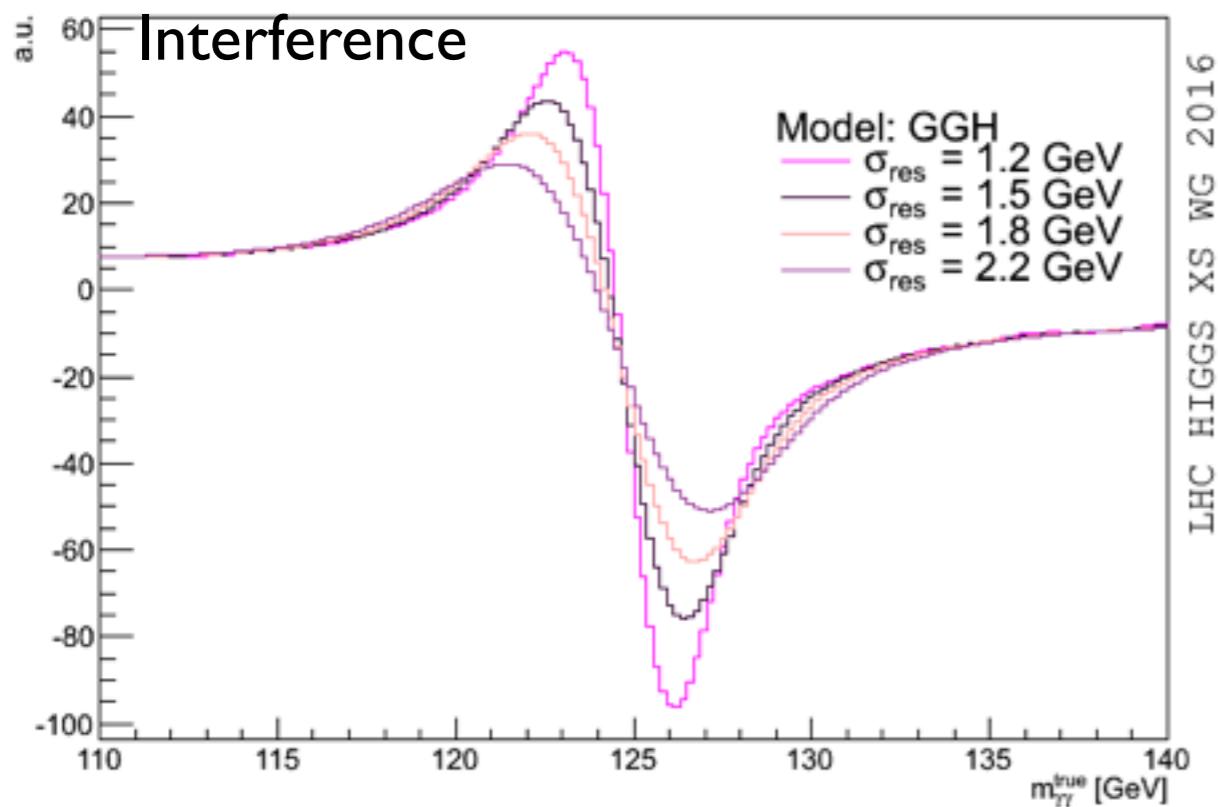
$$\Delta m_H = m_H^{S+I+B} - m_H^{S+B} = -35 \pm 0.3 \text{ (stat.) MeV} \quad (1)$$

With/out interf.	Quantity	Sample 1	Sample 2	Sample 3	Sample 4	Mean	RMS
S+B	$m_H$	124.998	124.998	124.997	124.997		
	$\mu$	0.995	0.995	0.995	0.994		
S+B+I	$m_H$	124.963	124.962	124.962	124.962		
	$\mu$	0.988	0.988	0.988	0.988		
$\Delta m_H$ [MeV]		-35	-35	-35	-35	-35	0.3

Table 2: Estimate of  $\Delta m_H$  using four different samples for signal and interference, and their averages

# Additional generator level studies (L. Soffi)

- Generator level studies @ 13 TeV for signal and interference terms
  - Sherpa 2.2.0 + DIRE parton shower
- Gaussian smearing is used for photon energy resolution [1.2-2.2] GeV used
- Expected shift is calculated by compare the mass peak between S+I and S
  - ~ -90 MeV for the SM Higgs boson with realistic resolution of 1.7 GeV
  - Caveat not directly comparable to the ATLAS results

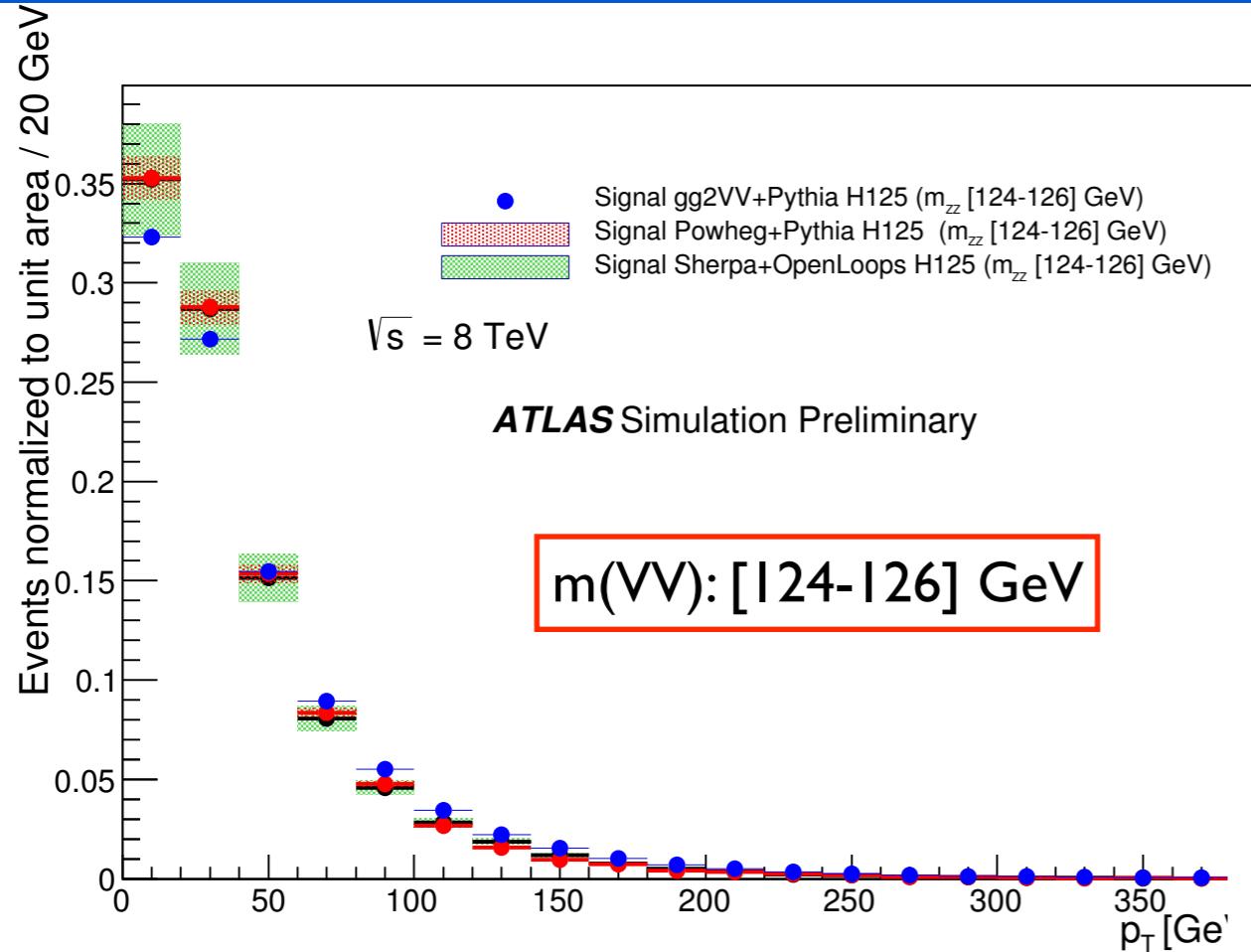


# Higher order effect on $gg \rightarrow H \rightarrow VV$

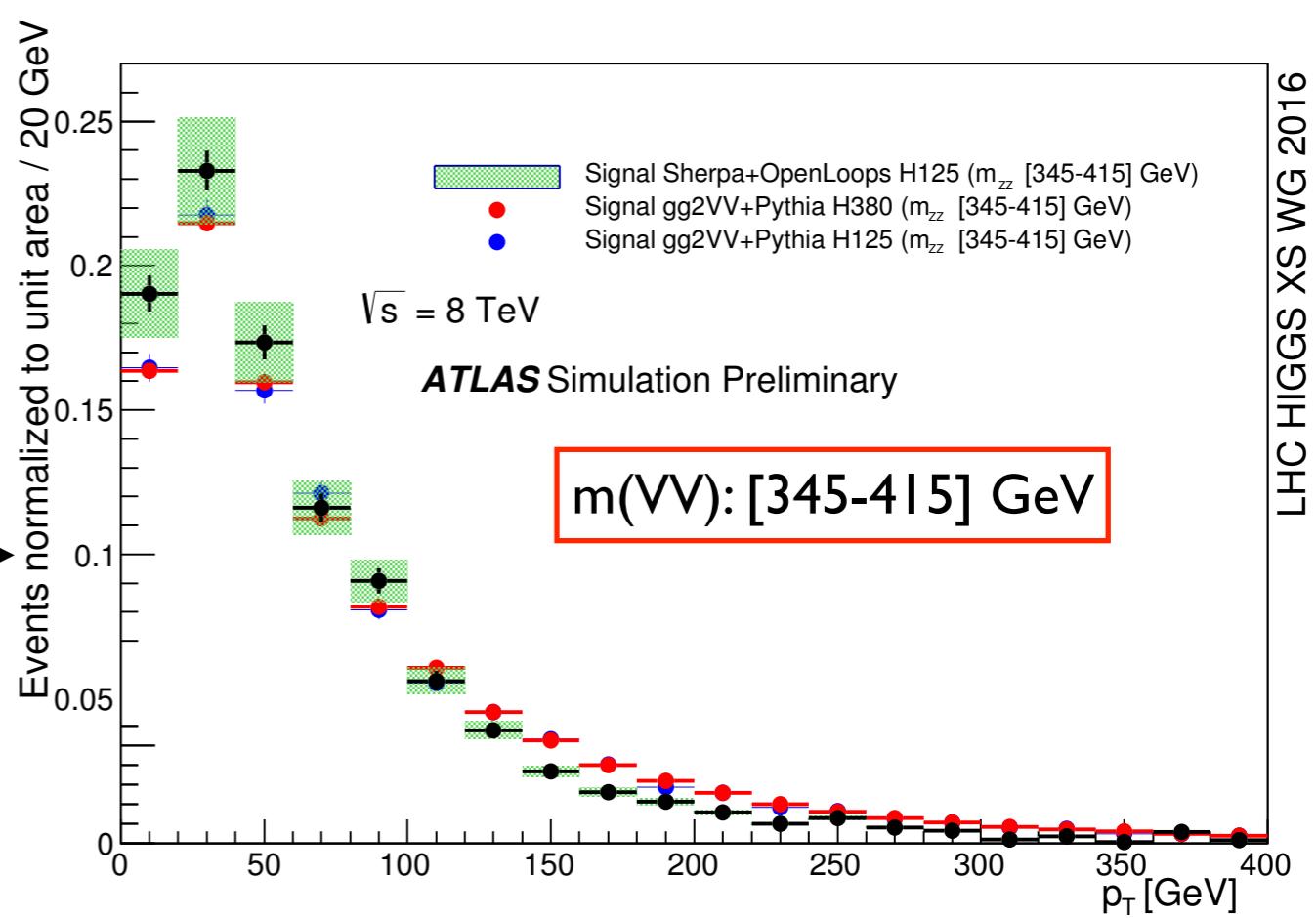
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- Offshell region relies on the LO MC: gg2VV and MCFM
  - Need to study the higher order impact, manifesting in the  $pT(VV), Y(VV)$ 
    - Important for the analyses that depend on the  $pT(VV)$ :  $ZZ \rightarrow 2l2\nu$  and  $WW \rightarrow l\nu l\nu$
- Without the NLO@ ME, parton showering and scale uncertainties have been studied
  - gg2VV + pythia
  - Powheg + pythia
  - Sherpa2.0+OpenLoops
  - gg2VV+Herwig+Jimmy
- Different processes have been studied
  - Higgs (125) onpeak region
  - Higgs offshell region
  - Heavy Higgs signal in the H(125) offshell region

# Compare different generators



Good agreement in the on-peak region  
Sherpa+OpenLoops, gg2VV+Pythia,  
Powheg+Pythia

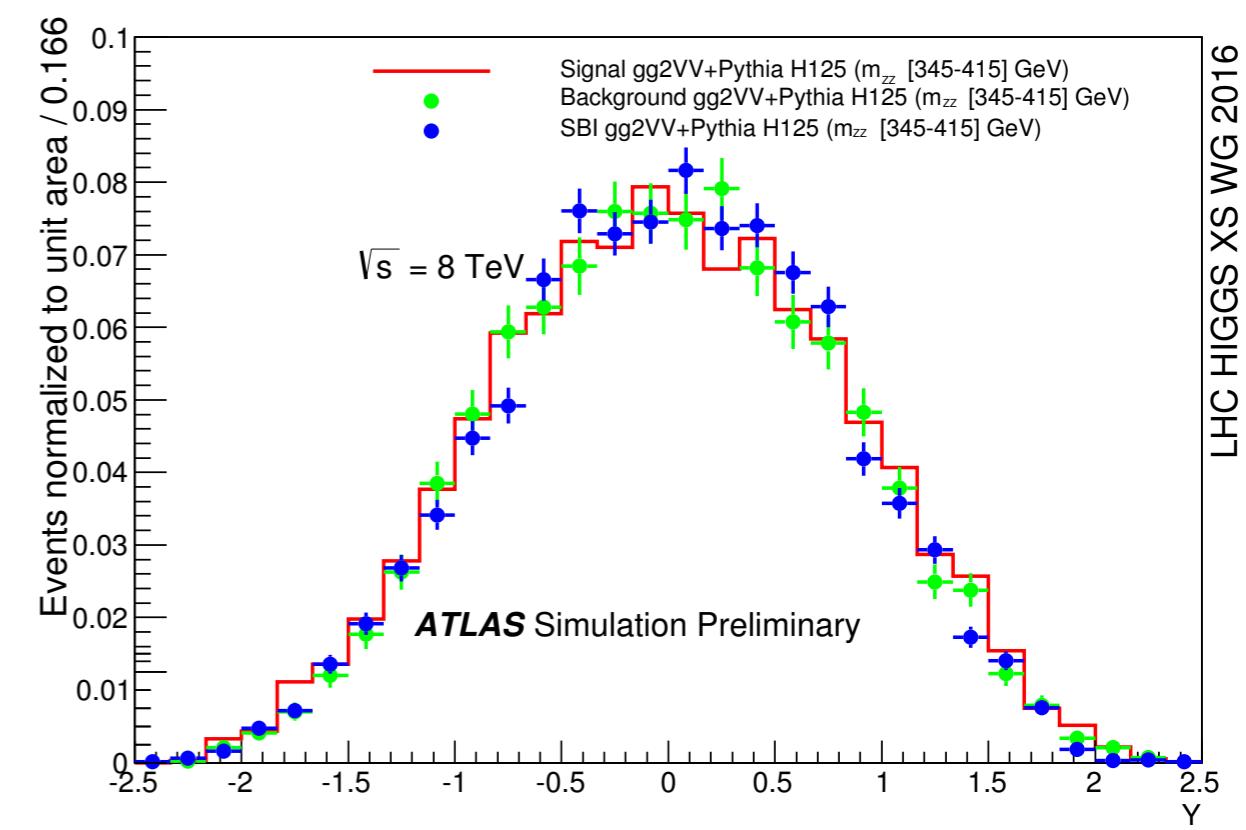
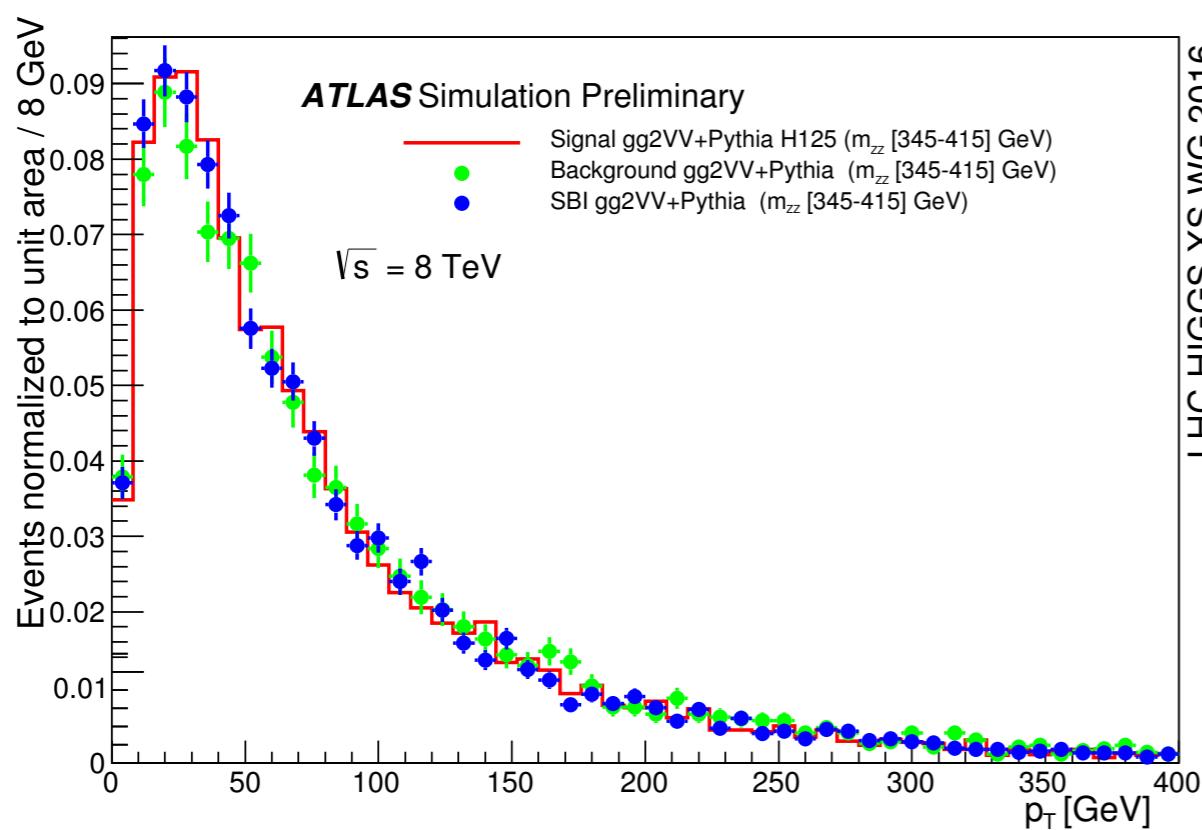


Reasonable agreement in the off-peak region

Sherpa+OpenLoops H125  
gg2VV+Pythia H125  
gg2VV+Pythia H380

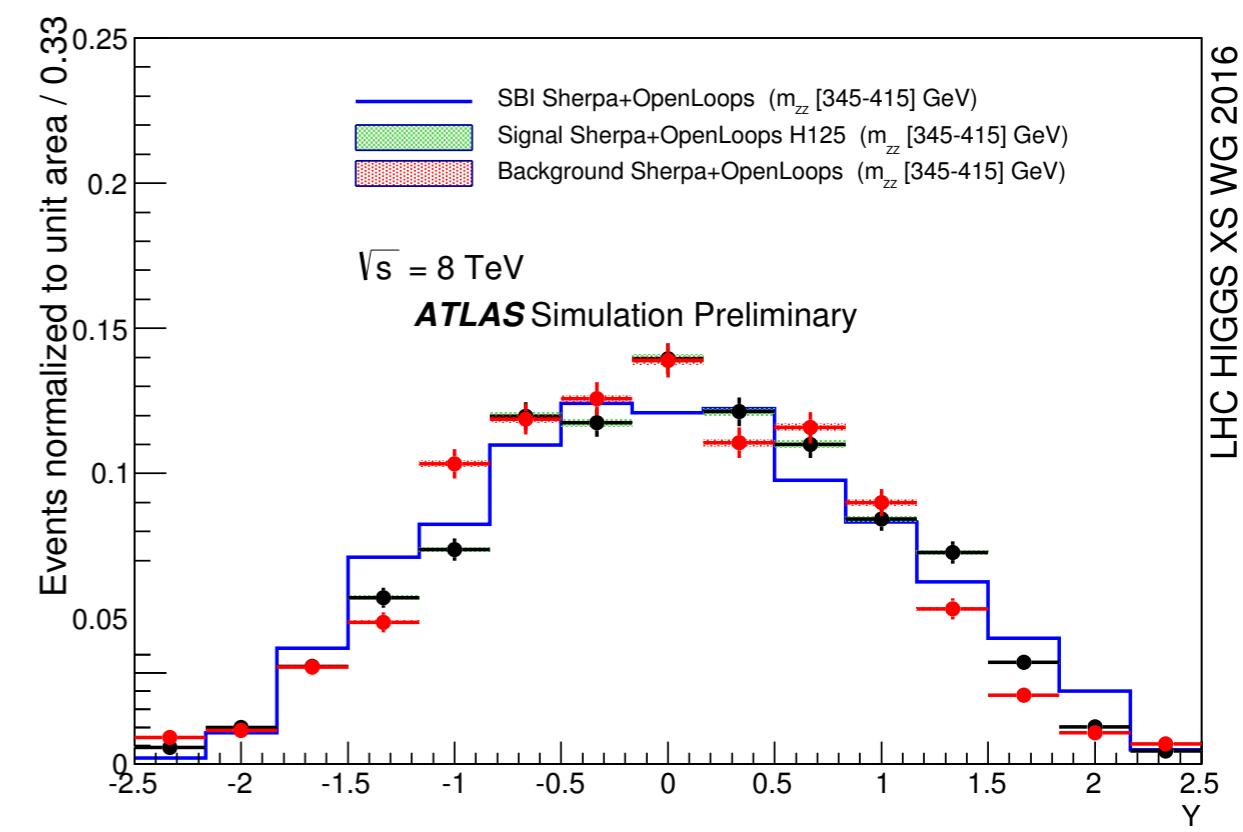
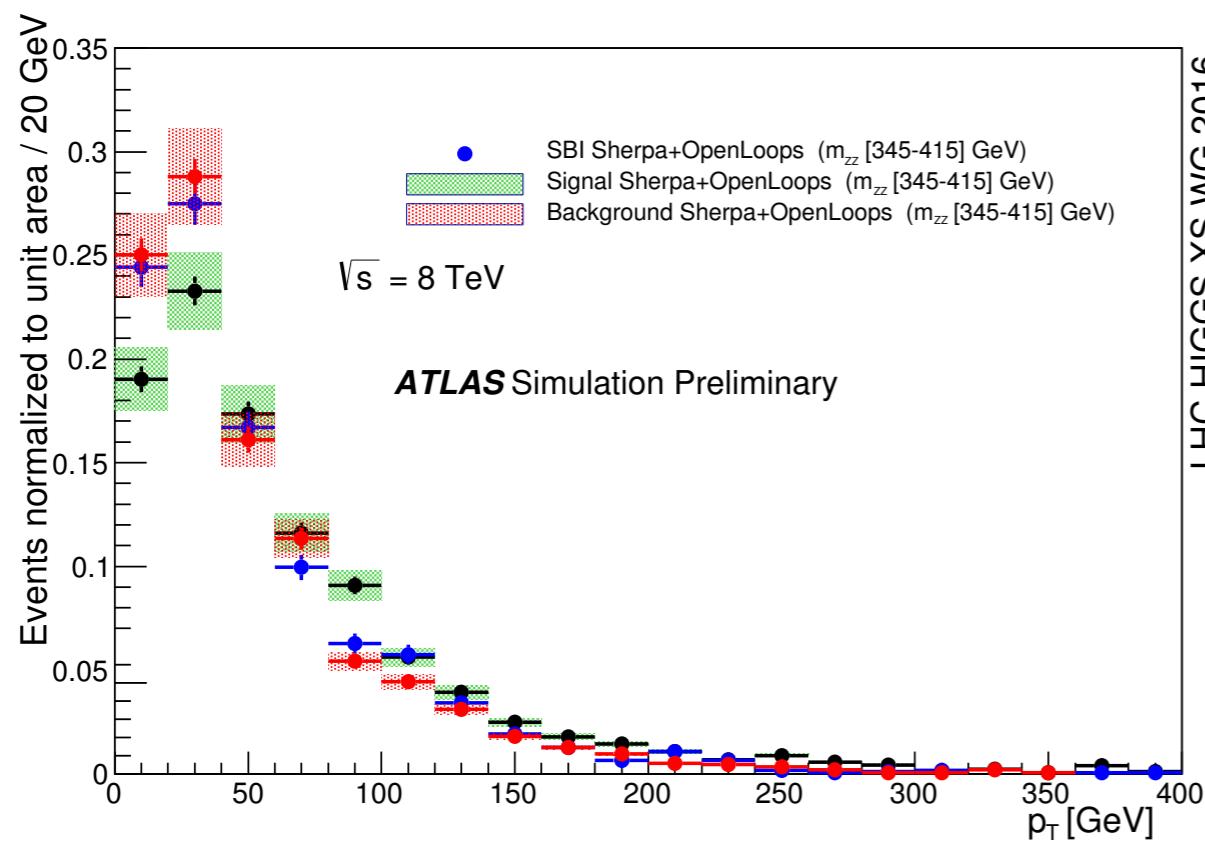
# Compare different processes in offshell region (gg2VV)

- Compare three processes in the H(125) offshell region  $m_{VV} [345-415] \text{ GeV}$ 
  - All are simulated with LO gg2VV + pythia
  - Higgs signal,  $gg \rightarrow VV$  background, and  $gg \rightarrow VV$  (signal+interference+background)
  - Good agreement in both pT and rapidity of the VV system



# Compare different processes in offshell region (Sherpa+OpenLoops)

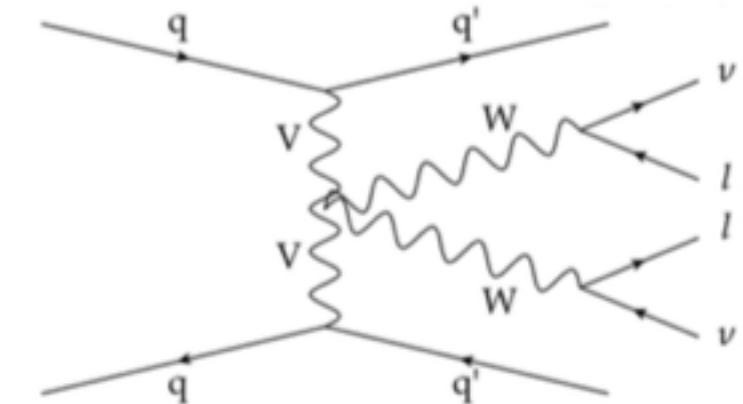
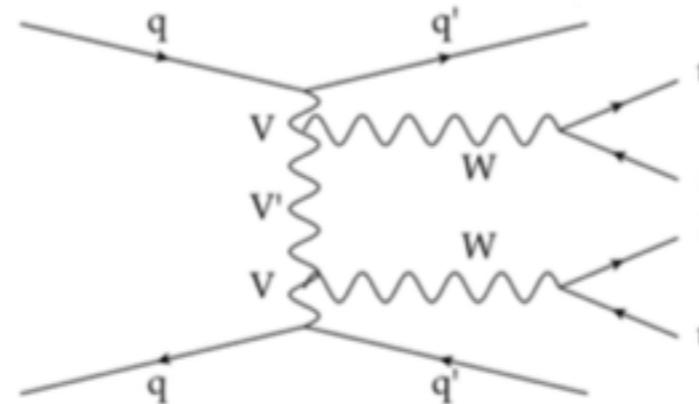
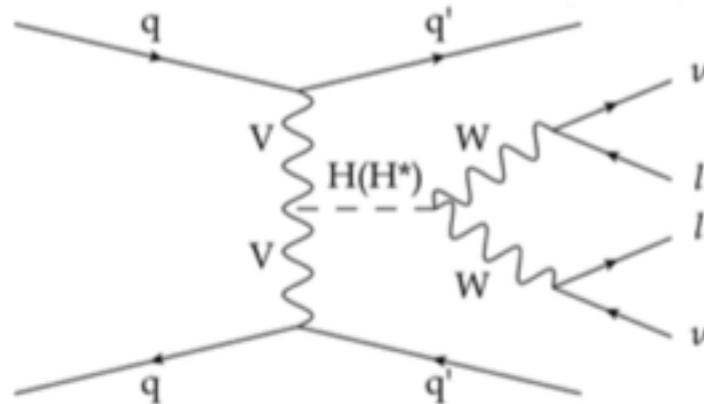
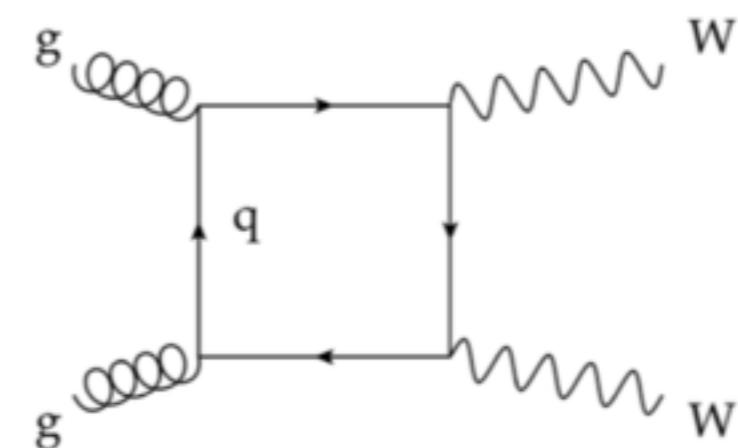
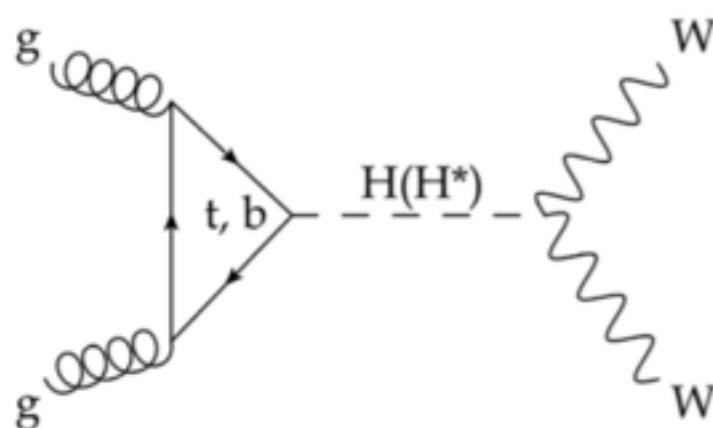
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  - ~20% impact on the  $p_T(VV)$
  - Smaller difference in the rapidity



# Offshell constraints from CMS

# Overview

- Adding the WW channel
  - Based on well established HWW analysis for background estimations etc
- Perform a combined fit including ZZ(4l) and WW



# Analysis overview

- Offshell Higgs coupling signal strength  $\mu_{\text{offshell}}$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{P}_{\text{tot}}(m_{\ell\ell}, m_{\text{T}}^{\text{H}}(\text{MVA}) | \mu_{\text{s}}) = & \boxed{\mu_{\text{GF}}^{\text{off-shell}}} \mathcal{P}_{\text{H, off-shell}}^{\text{gg}} + \sqrt{\mu_{\text{GF}}^{\text{off-shell}}} \mathcal{P}_{\text{int}}^{\text{gg}} + \mathcal{P}_{\text{bkg}}^{\text{gg}} \\ & + \boxed{\mu_{\text{VBF}}^{\text{off-shell}}} \mathcal{P}_{\text{H, off-shell}}^{\text{VBF}} + \sqrt{\mu_{\text{VBF}}^{\text{off-shell}}} \mathcal{P}_{\text{int}}^{\text{VBF}} + \mathcal{P}_{\text{bkg}}^{\text{VBF}} \\ & + \mu_{\text{GF}} \mathcal{P}_{\text{H, on-shell}}^{\text{gg}} + \mu_{\text{VBF}} \mathcal{P}_{\text{H, on-shell}}^{\text{VBF}} + \mathcal{P}_{\text{bkg}}^{\text{q}\bar{\text{q}}} + \mathcal{P}_{\text{other bkg}}. \end{aligned}$$

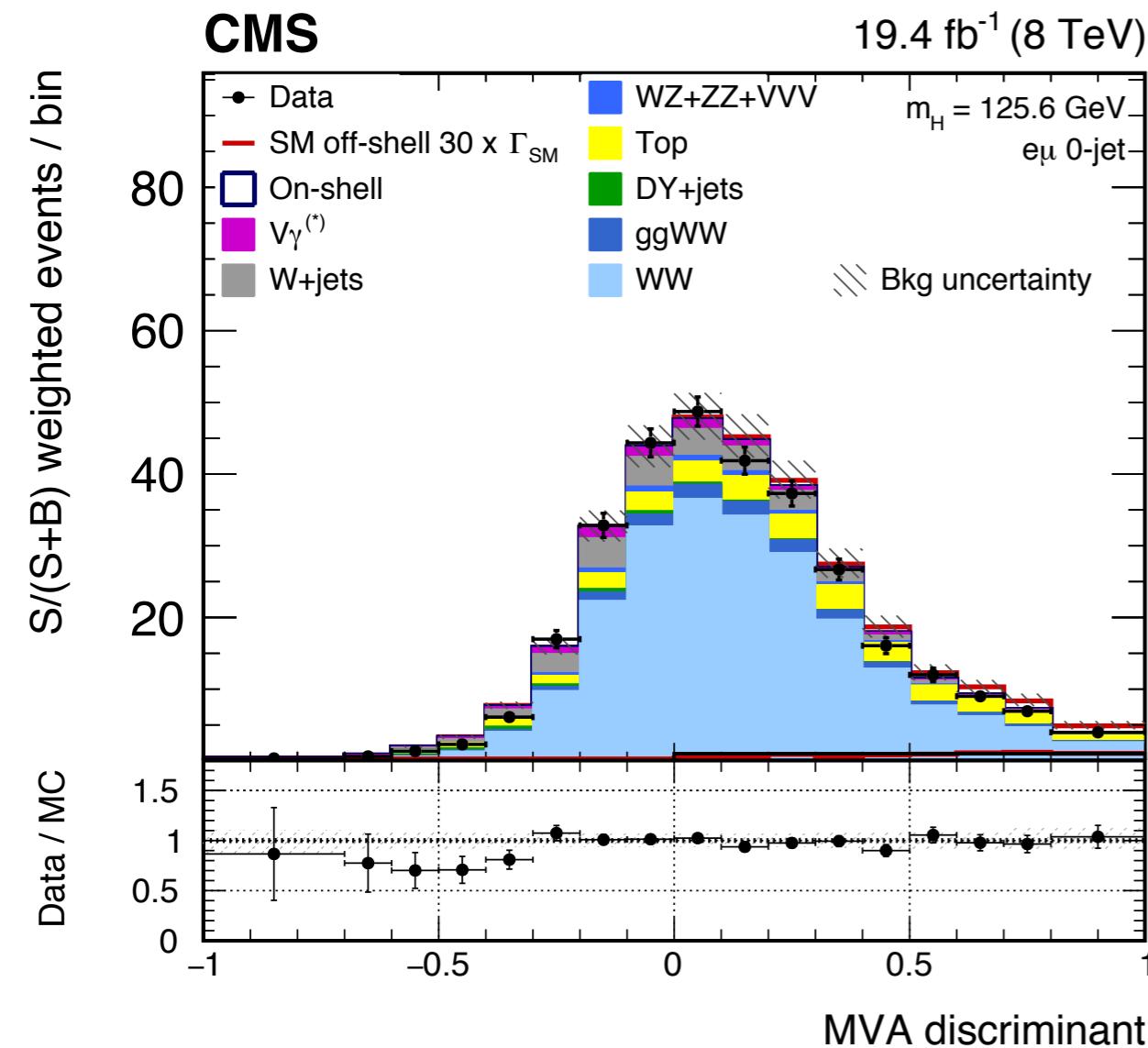
- A combination with  $\mu_{\text{onshell}}$  gives the interpretation of Higgs width
- Additional kinematic variables are used to separate off-shell Higgs signal from the other background, in addition to dilepton mass
  - Most sensitive channels 0/1-Jet: MVA
  - VBF 2-jet: transverse Higgs mass

Table 1: Analysis region definitions for on- and off-shell selections.

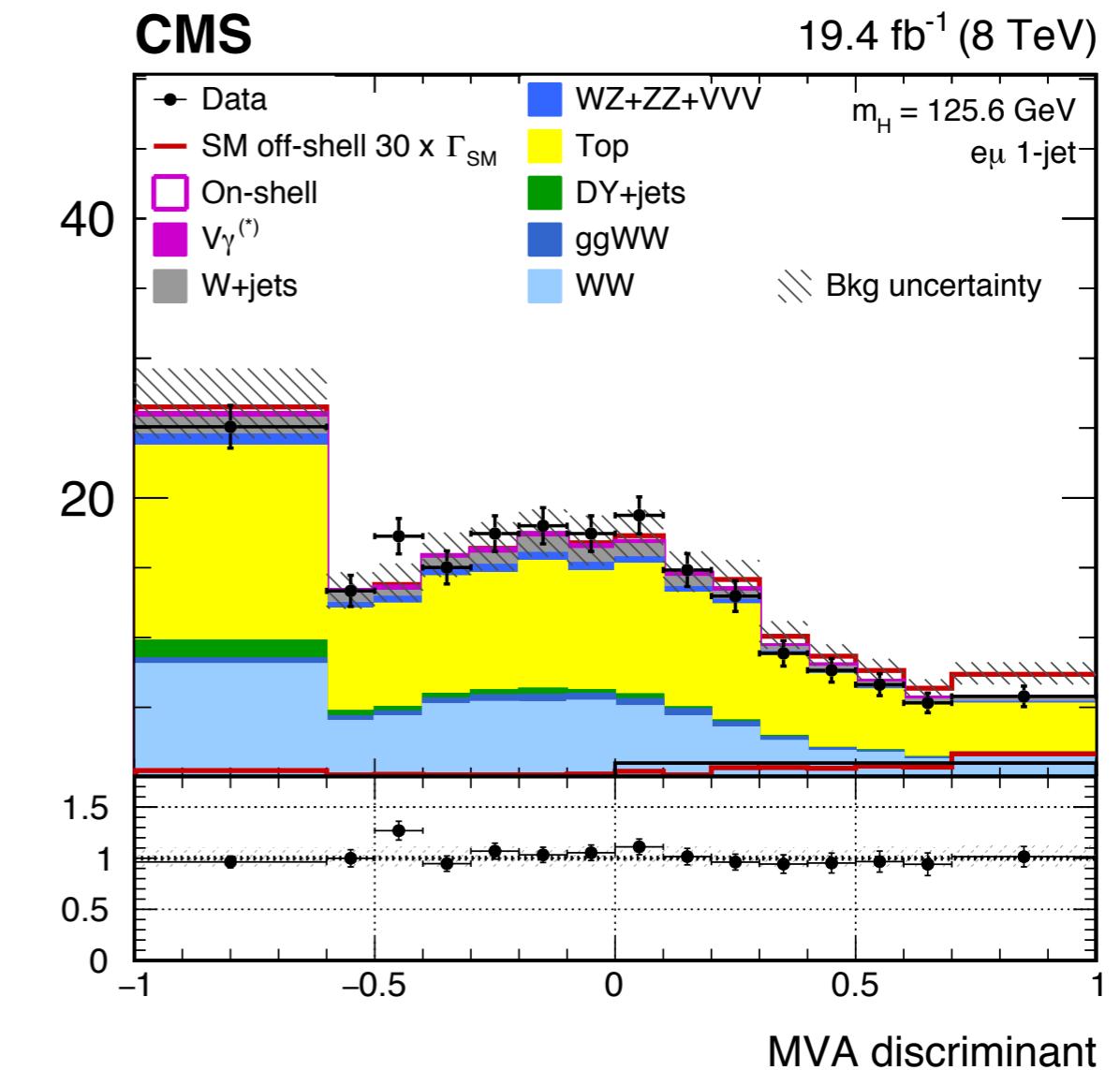
	On-shell (7, 8 TeV: all-jet)	Off-shell (8 TeV: 0,1-jet)	Off-shell (7 TeV: all-jet, 8 TeV: 2-jet)
$m_{\ell\ell}$	$< 70 \text{ GeV}$	$> 70 \text{ GeV}$	$> 70 \text{ GeV}$
$p_{\text{T}}^{\ell\ell}$	$> 30 \text{ GeV}$	$> 45 \text{ GeV}$	$> 45 \text{ GeV}$
$p_{\text{T}}^{\ell_2}$	$> 10 \text{ GeV}$	$> 20 \text{ GeV}$	$> 20 \text{ GeV}$
fit Var.	$m_{\ell\ell}, m_{\text{T}}^{\text{H}}$	$m_{\ell\ell}, \text{MVA}$	$m_{\ell\ell}, m_{\text{T}}^{\text{H}}$

# Offshell kinematic discriminant

MVA in 0-jet



MVA in 1-jet



No excess seen in the offshell region

# Highlight of main results

- Deficit in the signal region leads to much stronger observed  $\mu_{\text{offshell}}$  in WW channel
  - 95% C.L. limit on  $\mu_{\text{offshell}} \leq 3.5(16.0)$  for observed (expected)
- Interpretations on the Higgs boson total width constraints are 13 MeV combining WW/ZZ
  - Expectation is 26 MeV

