

ATLAS Searches for Diboson Resonances



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Outline and motivations

The most compelling argument of New Physics at TeV scale is the **extreme fine tuning** of quantum corrections involving t , γ , W , Z and H in order to keep the observed Higgs mass close to the electroweak scale.

Tuning for $\Lambda_{\text{cut-off}}=10\text{TeV}$ \Rightarrow $\sim -(2\text{ TeV})^2$ $\sim (700\text{ GeV})^2$ $\sim (500\text{ GeV})^2$

$$M_H^2=(125\text{GeV})^2= \text{---} \left(\text{top} \right) \text{---} + \left(W, Z, \gamma \right) + \left(\text{higgs} \right) \text{---} - 2\mu^2$$

$$\frac{-3}{8\pi^2} \lambda_t^2 \Lambda^2 \quad \quad \quad \frac{9}{64\pi^2} g^2 \Lambda^2 \quad \quad \quad \frac{1}{16\pi^2} \lambda^2 \Lambda^2$$

Fine tuning < 10% \Rightarrow $\Lambda_{\text{NP}} \sim 1\text{TeV}$ $\Lambda_{\text{NP}} \sim 5\text{TeV}$ $\Lambda_{\text{NP}} \sim 10\text{TeV}$

New resonances coupled to $\gamma/W/Z/H$ generally expected at **multi-TeV scale**.
The Higgs itself could be the first of a series of di-boson resonances waiting discovery at LHC

Benchmark models

Three models differing from new boson(s) spin:

Spin 0: **Extended Higgs sector** (2HDM, electroweak-singlet modelSUSY, ...)

- Heavy scalars H'

Spin 1: **Heavy Vector Triplets** (HVT) $\rightarrow W'-W'+Z'$

- Additional SU(2) symmetry
- Small set of parameters:
 - Mass $M_{V'}$
 - Coupling to Bosons and Higgs g_V (enable VV , VH , HH decays)
 - Universal coupling to fermions $g_F = g_{EW}^2/g_F$
- **Model A:** equal BRs to fermions and bosons ($g_V=1$) \rightarrow Extended Gauge Symm.
- **Model B:** couplings to fermions suppressed ($g_V=3$) \rightarrow Minimal Composite Higgs

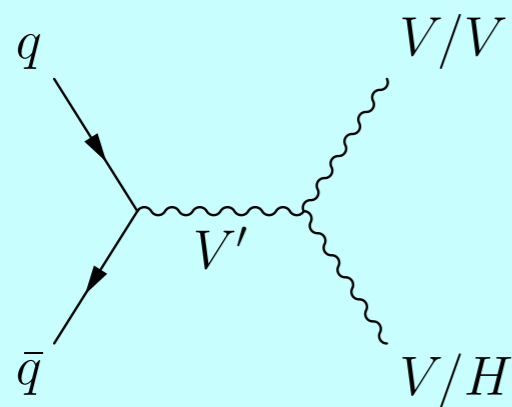
Spin 2: **KK graviton** from bulk Randall-Sundrum model $\rightarrow G^*$

- KK graviton in 5D warped ADS space with SM particles on 1 TeV brane extending into the “bulk”.
- Couplings to light fermions and VBF production suppressed

Production mechanisms

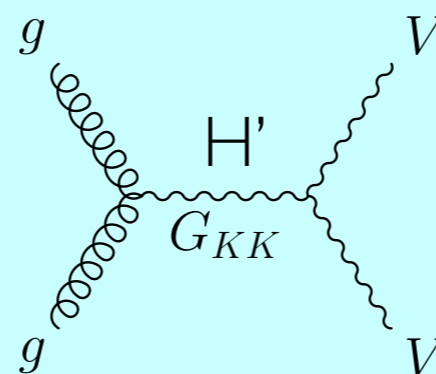
Categorization in production mechanisms increases sensitivity

Drell-Yan



Heavy Vector Triplet W'

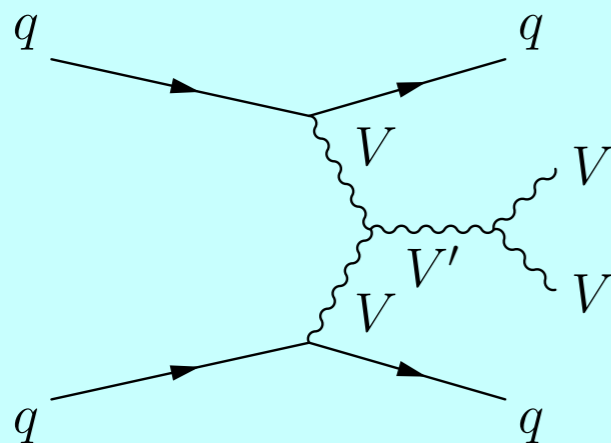
gluon-gluon fusion



Heavy scalar - RS bulk G^*

ggF/DY

Vector Boson Fusion



Heavy scalar/vector

VBF

Two opposite hemisphere jets, j_1 and j_2 , with large rapidity separation and large invariant mass

Ex. $VV \rightarrow llqq$:

- $\eta_{j1} \cdot \eta_{j2} < 0$
- $|\Delta\eta_{j1j2}| > 4.7$
- $m_{j1j2} > 770 \text{ GeV}$

Current status of VV searches in ATLAS

- ☑ 2015-2016-2017 @ 13 TeV pp
- ☑ 35-79.8 fb⁻¹

		W →		Z →			H →
		qq'	lv	qq	vv	ll	bb
W →	qq'	ATLAS-CONF-2018-16	arXiv: 1710.07235	arXiv: 1708.04445	arXiv: 1708.09638	arXiv: 1708.09638	arXiv: 1707.06958
	lv			arXiv: 1710.07235		arXiv: 1806.01532	arXiv: 1712.06518
Z →	qq			arXiv: 1708.04445	arXiv: 1708.09638	arXiv: 1708.09638	arXiv: 1707.06958
	vv						arXiv: 1712.06518
	ll						arXiv: 1712.06518
H →	bb						arXiv: 1804.06174

Combination increases sensitivity

THIS TALK: hadronic and semileptonic

- ◆ *qqqq* ~ 45%
- ◆ *qqℓ(v)v* ~ 15%
- ◆ *qqℓ, ℓℓℓ, ℓℓv* ~ 5%
- ◆ *ℓℓv* ~ 1%
- ◆ *ℓℓℓ* ~ 0.5%

See P.J.Falke and V. Pascuzzi

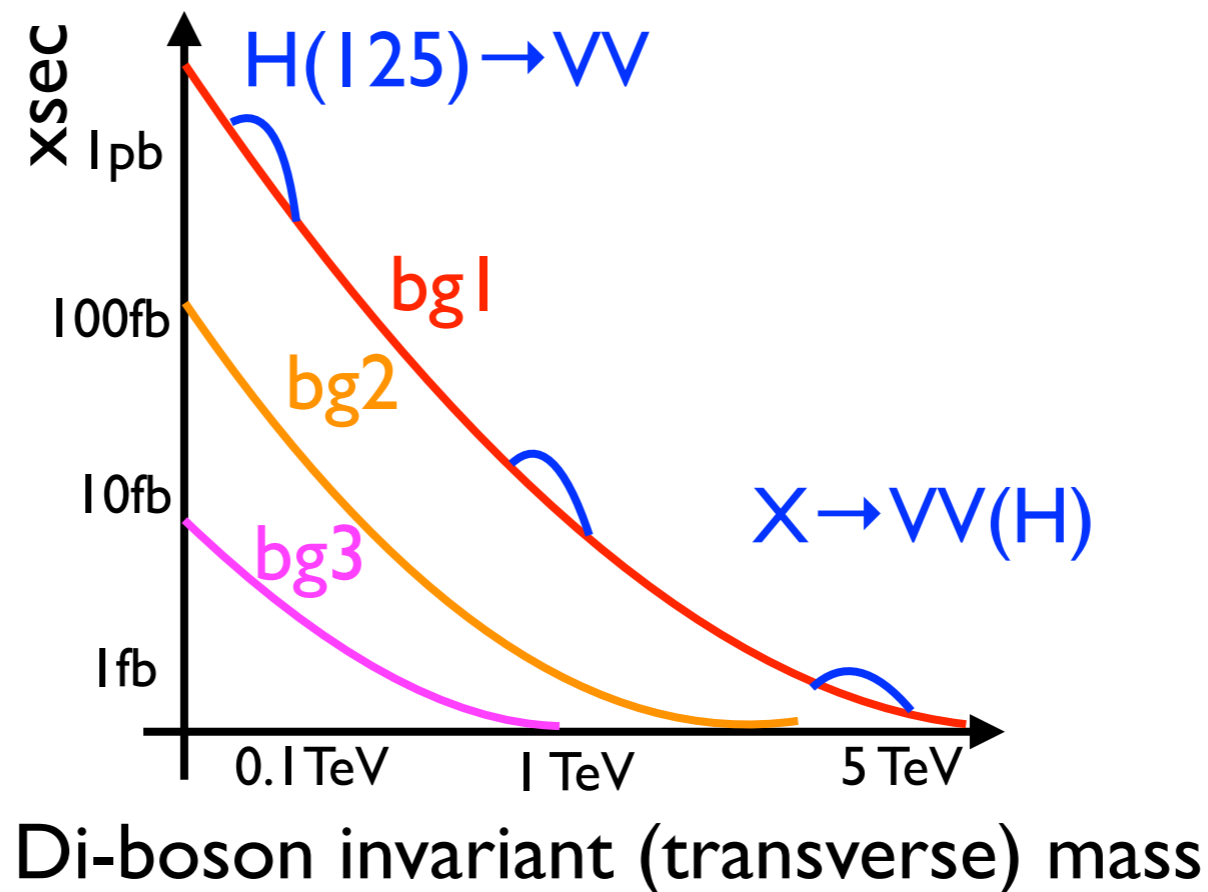
Not treated here : Search for X → γ+W/Z/H → γ+fat jet (arxiv:1805.01908) NEW

See plenary X.C.Vidal

“Exotic searches - prompt signatures”

Analysis strategy

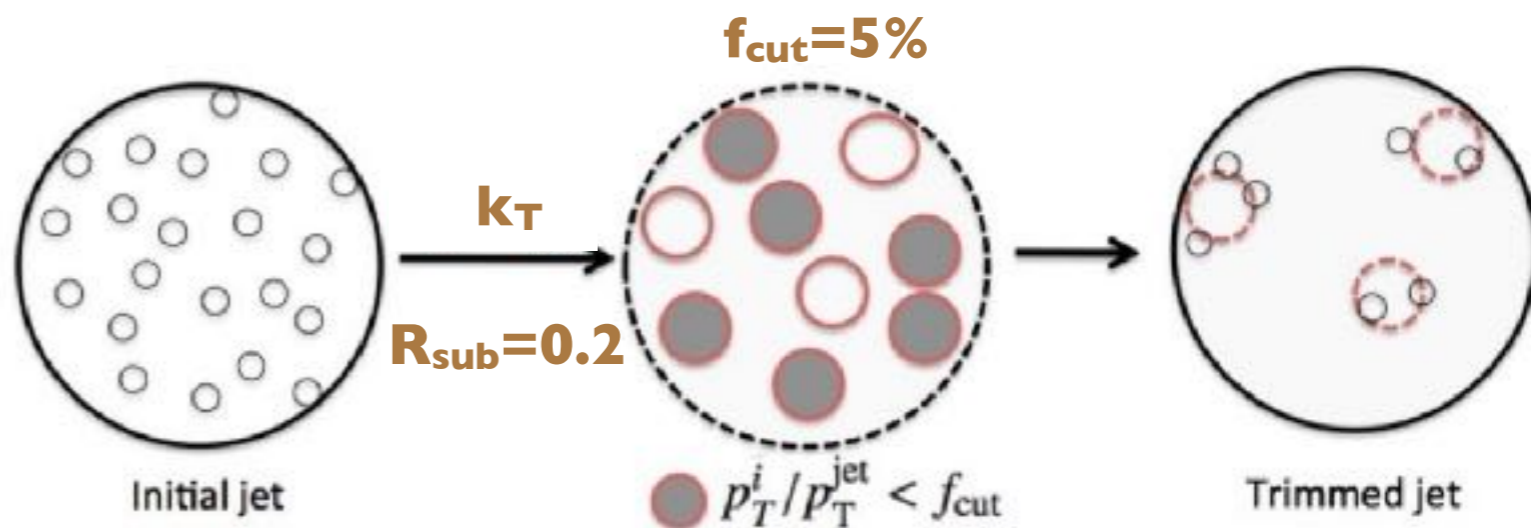
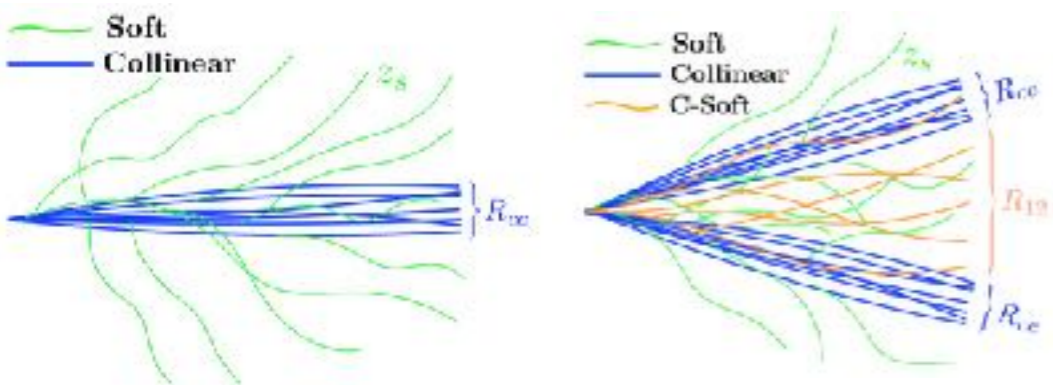
1. Search for a resonant structure into invariant mass or broad enhancement into transverse mass
2. Background estimation: full data-driven or/and MC based.



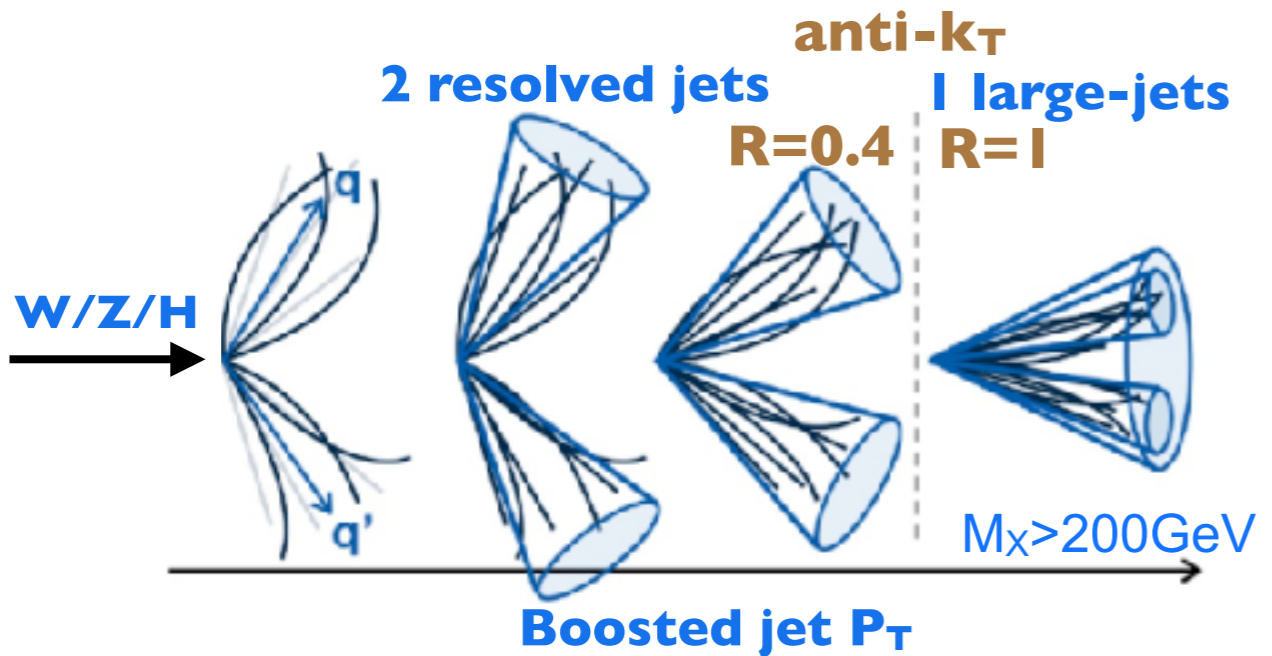
Best performance at high masses where BG is smaller.

Jet trimming and boosted objects

Trimming removes soft QCD and pile-up and leave collinear radiation in jets.



M_J from combined calo and track information



$$D_2^{(\beta)} = \frac{\sum_{i < j < k \in J} p_{T_i} p_{T_j} p_{T_k} (\Delta R_{ij} \Delta R_{ik} \Delta R_{jk})^\beta}{\sum_{i < j \in J} p_{T_i} p_{T_j} (\Delta R_{ij})^\beta}$$

3-prong (top part of the fraction)
2-prong (bottom part of the fraction)

- A. Boosted W/Z tagging with $D_2^{\beta=1}$
 - B. Boosted H tagging with sub-jets b-tag
- + M_J

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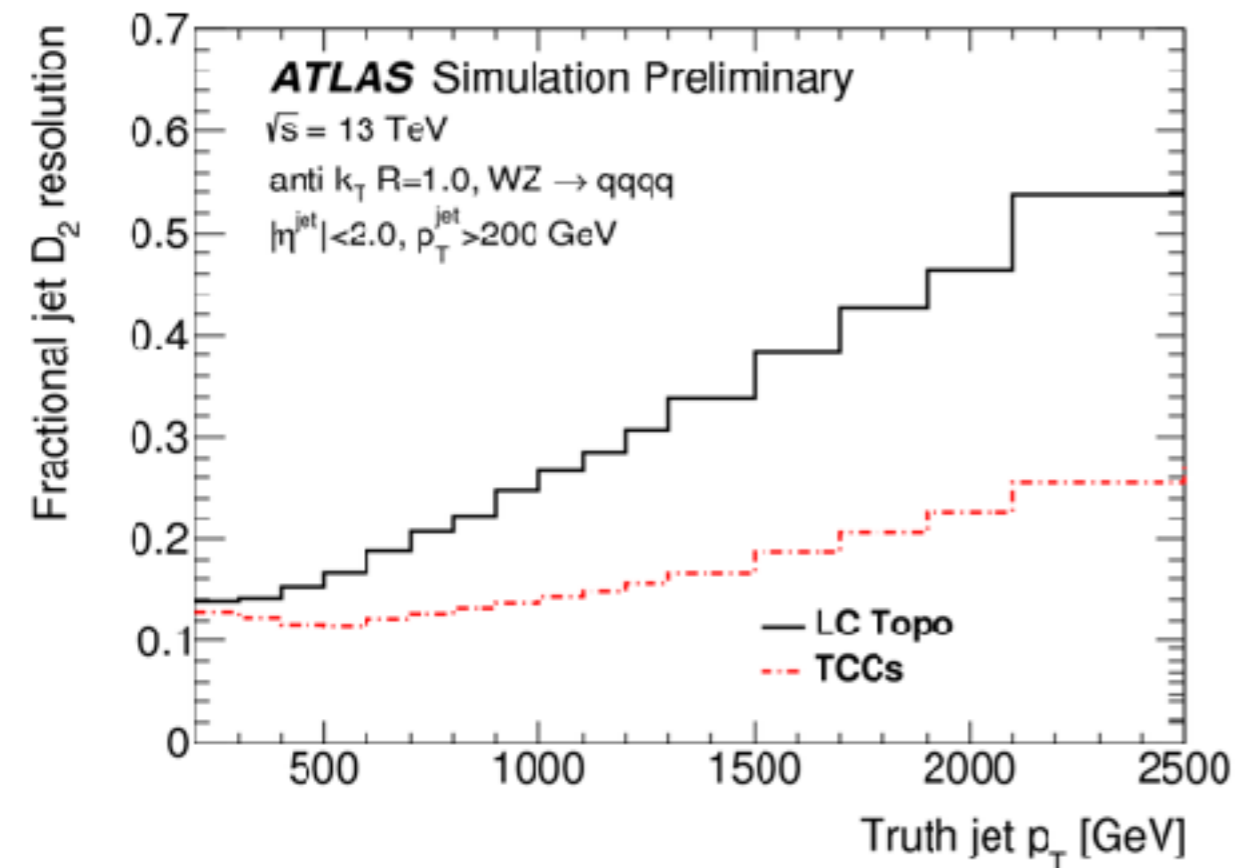
V and H tagging performance

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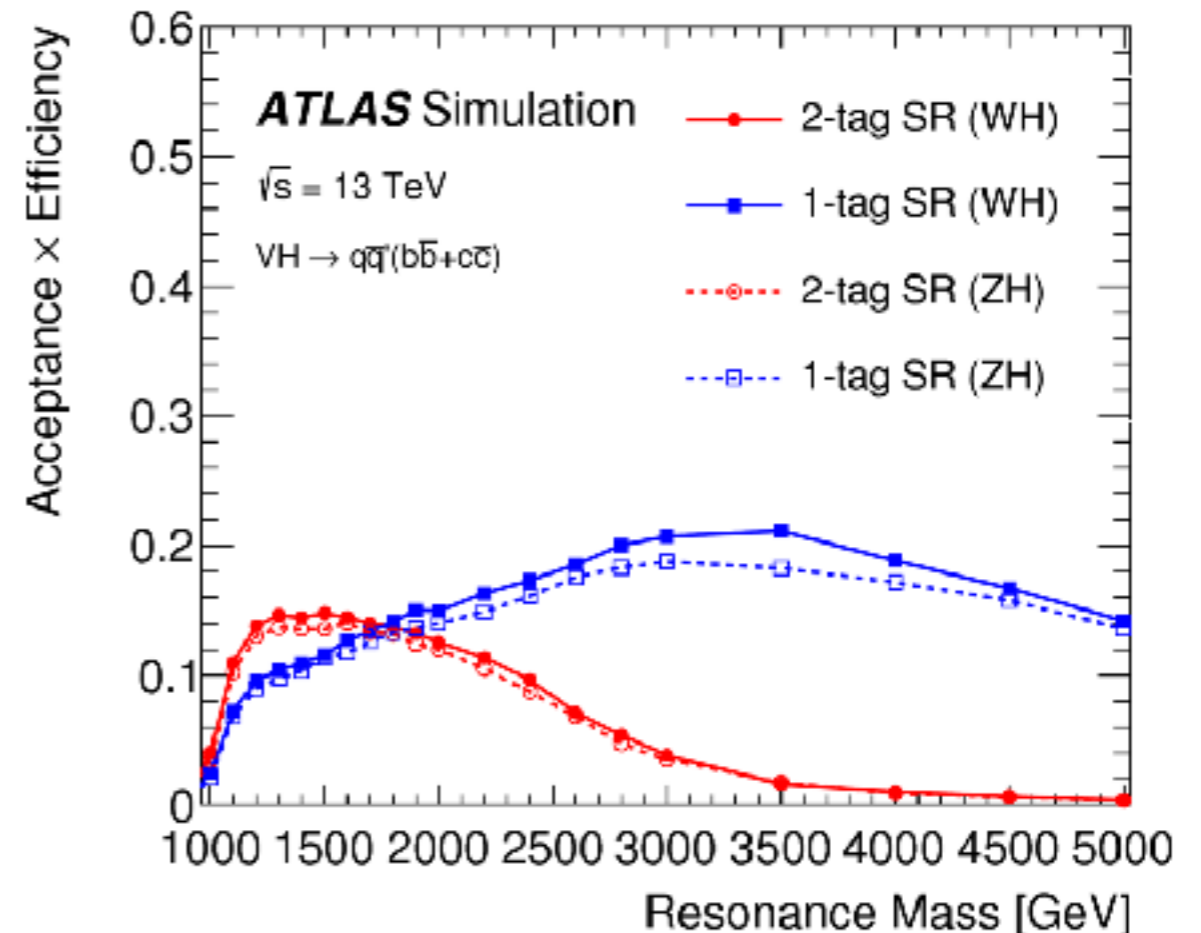
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ATLAS search of $X \rightarrow VV \rightarrow JJ$
@ 13 TeV 79.8fb⁻¹

ATLAS search of
 $X \rightarrow VH \rightarrow qqbb/qqcc$

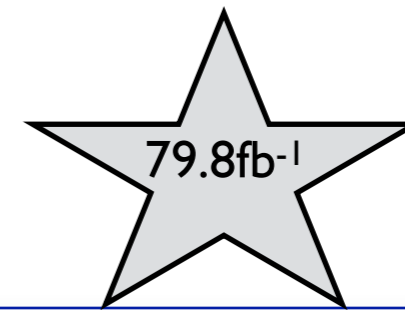


D_2 resolution for topo-cluster jets and jets built using combined and neutral Track CaloClusters.



VH signal acceptance \times efficiency including trigger, reconstruction and selection

VV fully hadronic: $VV \rightarrow JJ$

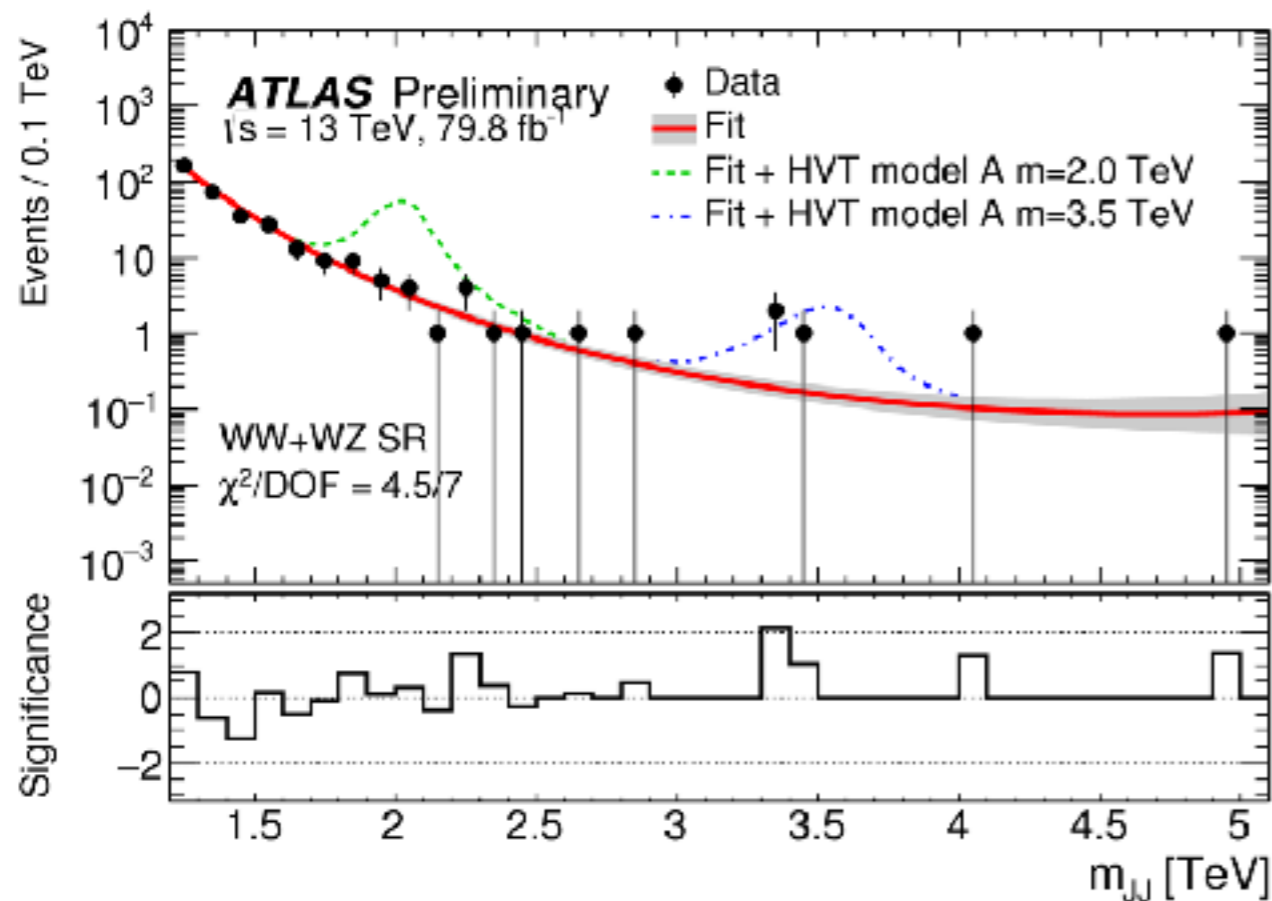


Selection:

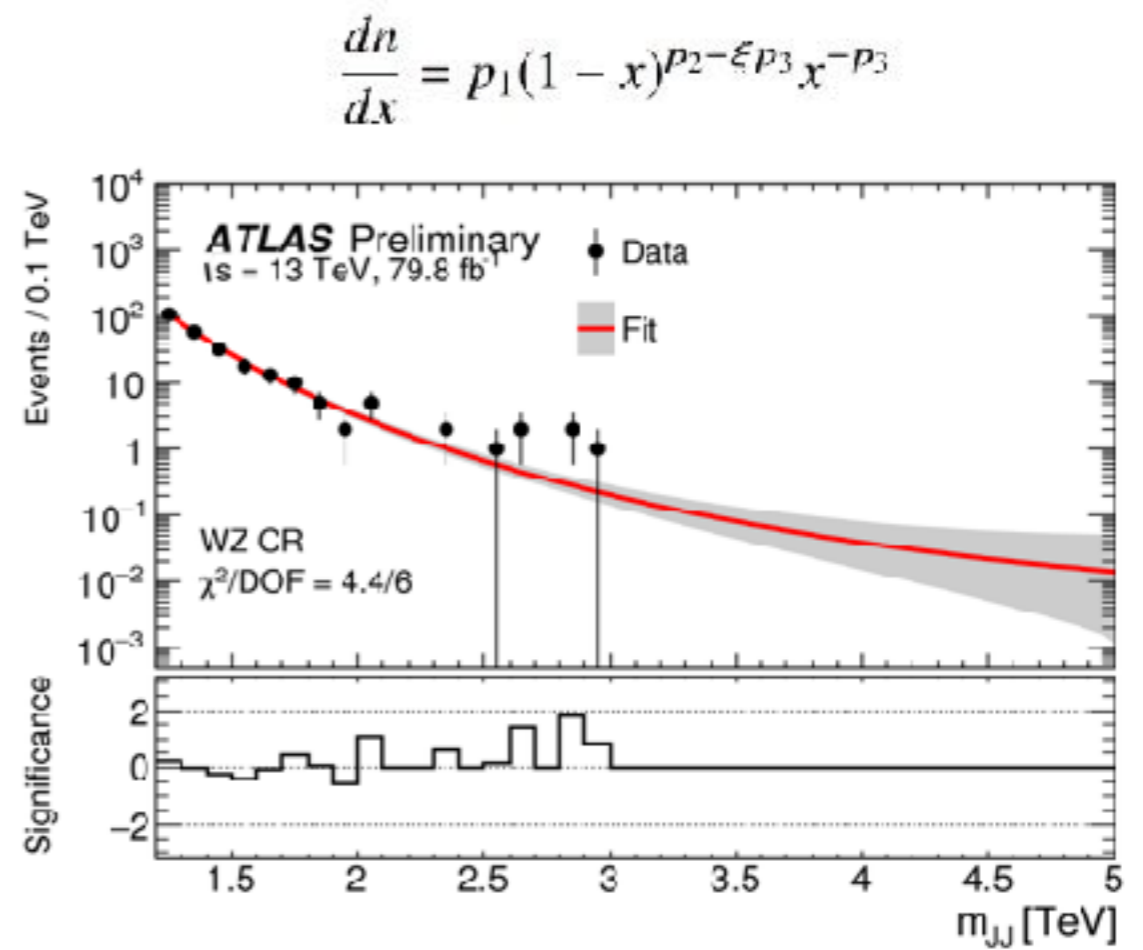
- Highest BR $\sim 50\%$
- Merged regime only: 2 large-R jets
- 5 non exclusive SR: WW, ZZ, WZ, WW+WZ, WW+ZZ

BG evaluation fully data-driven:

- Multi-jets QCD ($\sim 85\%$), diboson, V+j, ttbar.
- Binned ML fit to m_{JJ} spectrum assuming a smoothly falling distribution
- 3 VR inverting $|\Delta y_{JJ}|$ cut and V-tag of WZ SR



WW+WZ signal region



WZ validation region

VH fully hadronic: $VH \rightarrow JJ$

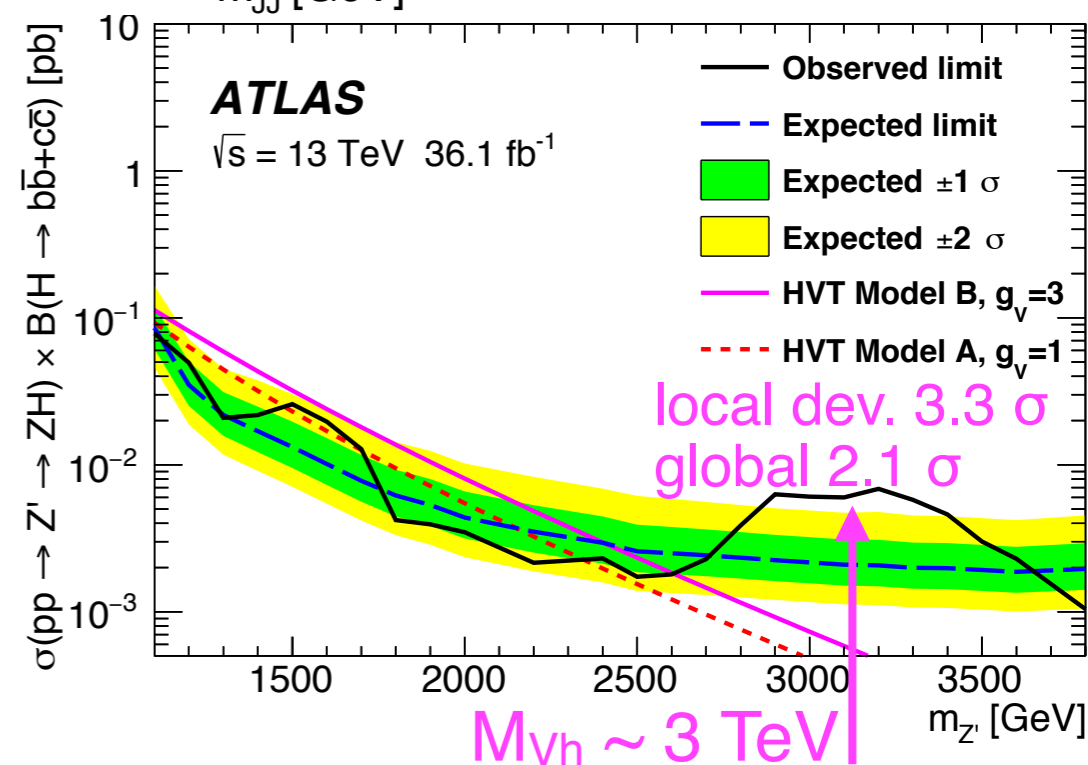
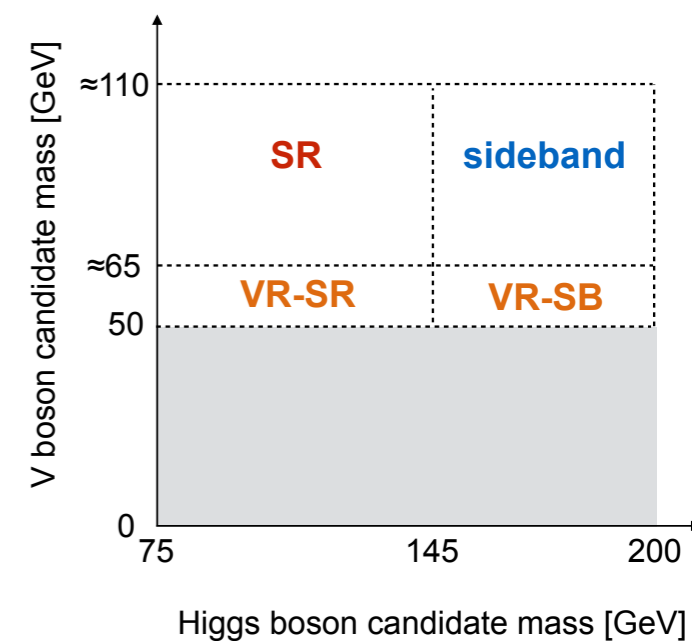
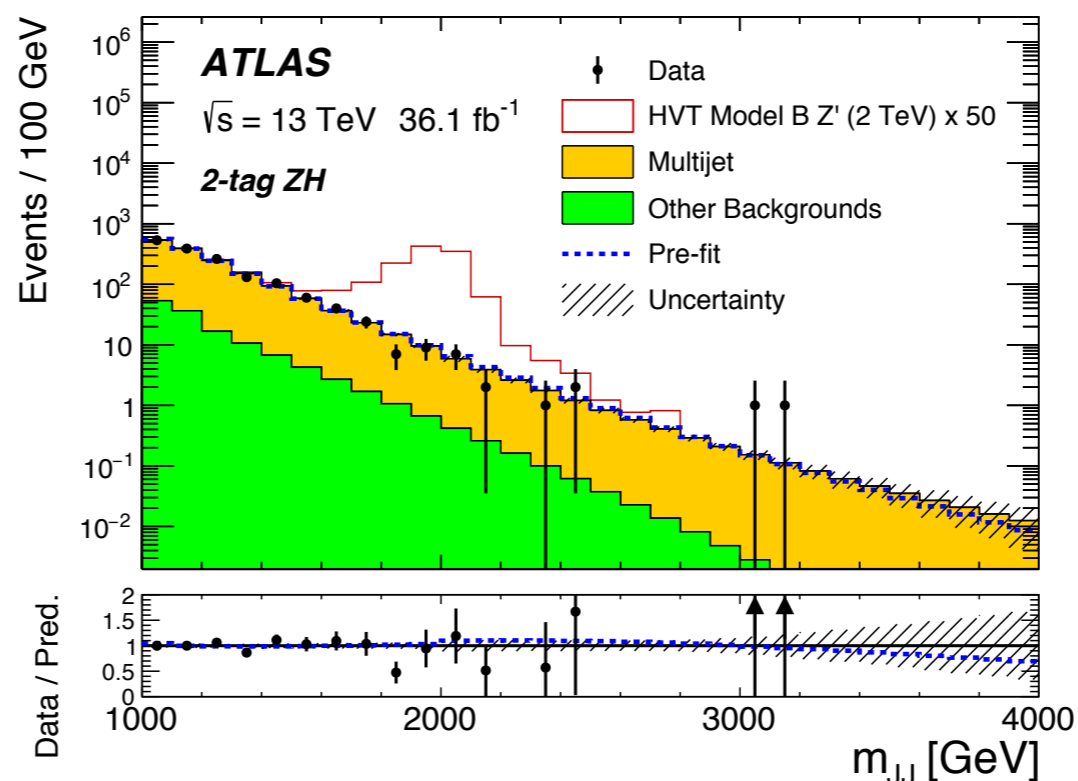
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Selection:

- 2 large-R jets
- Higher mass jet is the H candidate and the other is W/Z tagged.
- WH/ZH overlap by $\sim 60\%$.
- Signal regions with 1-2 b-tags.

BG estimation:

- Multi-jets QCD $>90\%$.
- Data-driven estimation:
 - functional form from CR with 0-tags.
 - normalization and corrections from high SB mass of the Higgs.



HH fully hadronic: $HH \rightarrow bbbb$, $HH \rightarrow JJ$

Boosted selection:

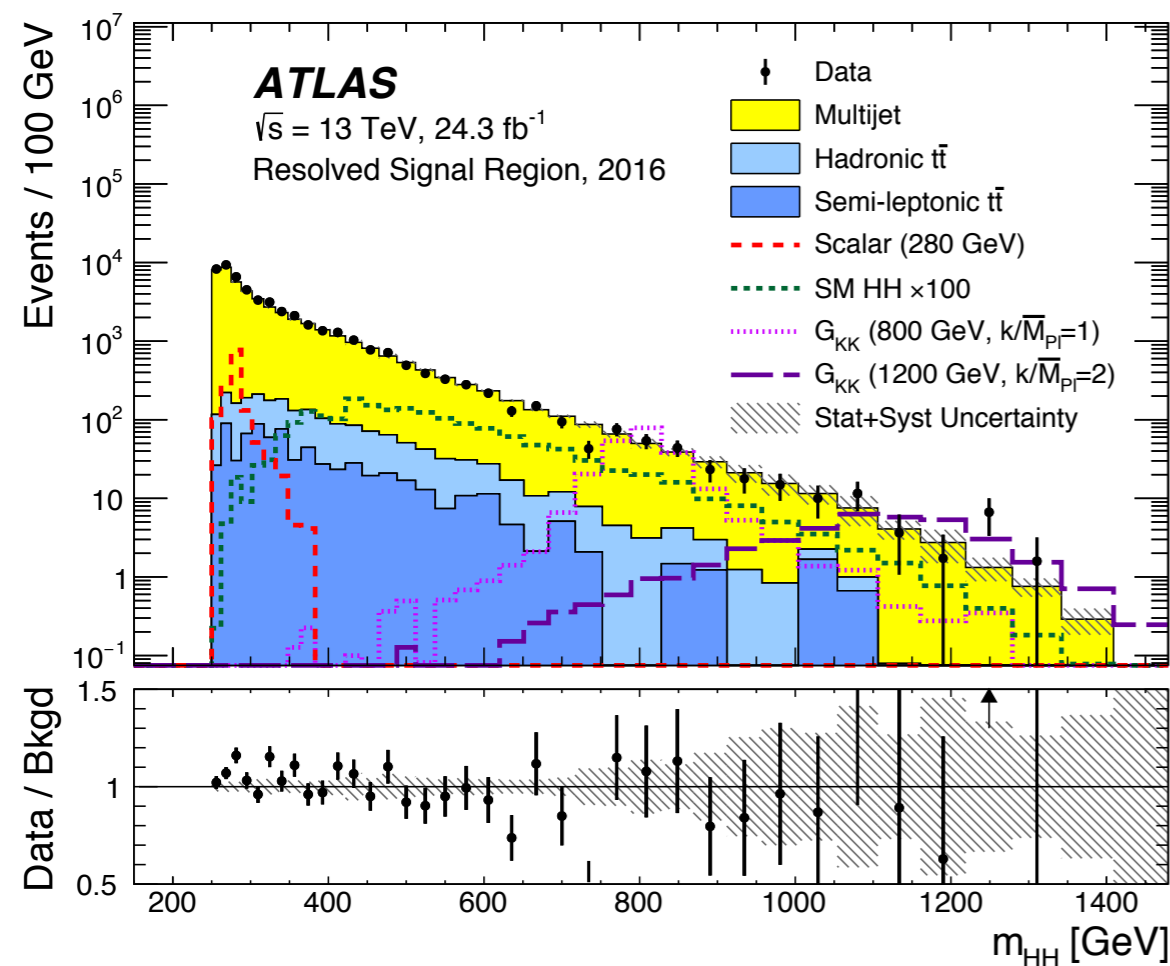
- 36.1 fb⁻¹ from fat-jet trigger
- Categorise into 2,3,4 b-tagged track-jets

Resolved selection:

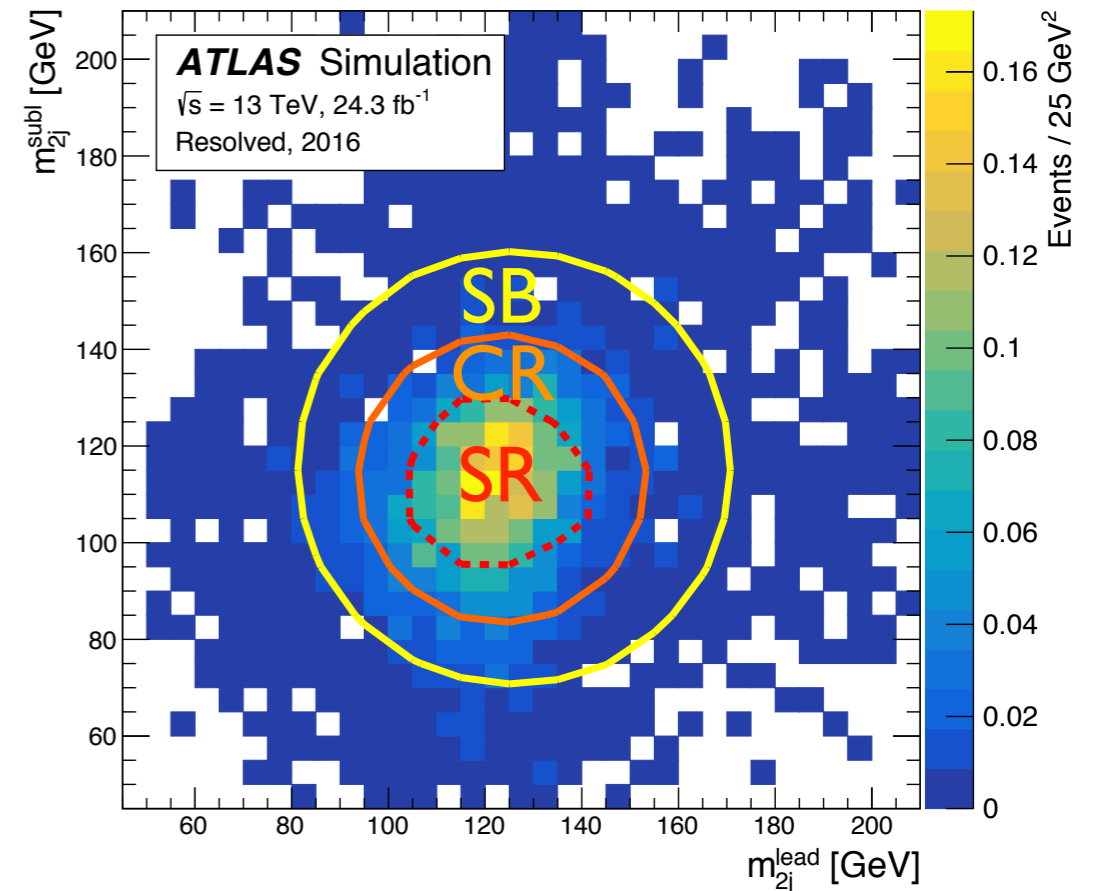
- 27.5 fb⁻¹ from b-jet trigger
- Pair highest score b-jets based on ΔR_{jj} and Δm_{2j}

BG evaluation:

- Multi-jets QCD shape from lower b-tag data and ttbar shape from MC.
- Correct iteratively multi-jets QCD kinematics to higher b-tag data by reweights derived from SB data
- BG's normalisation from simultaneous fit to 3 BG enriched regions and Higgs SB



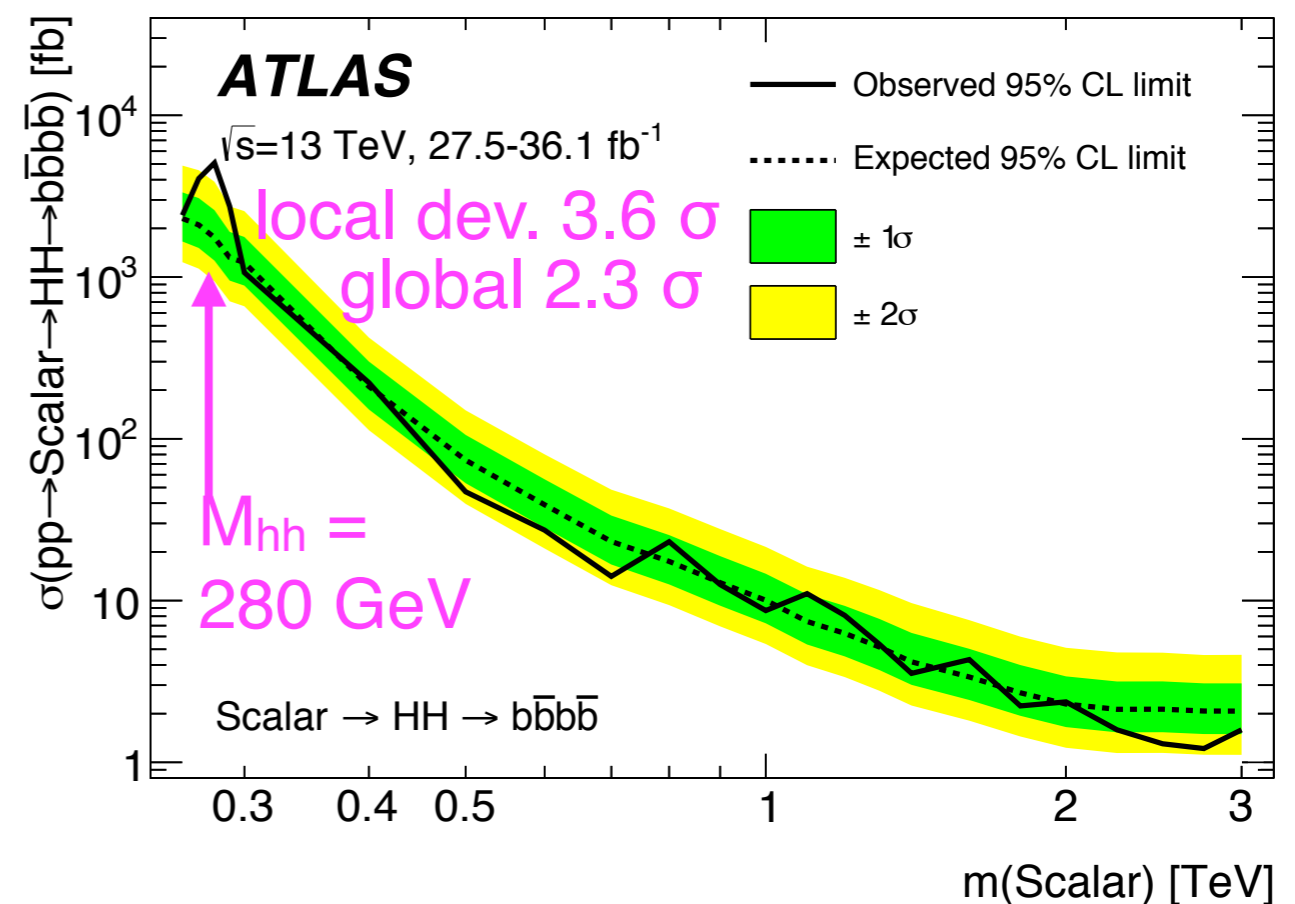
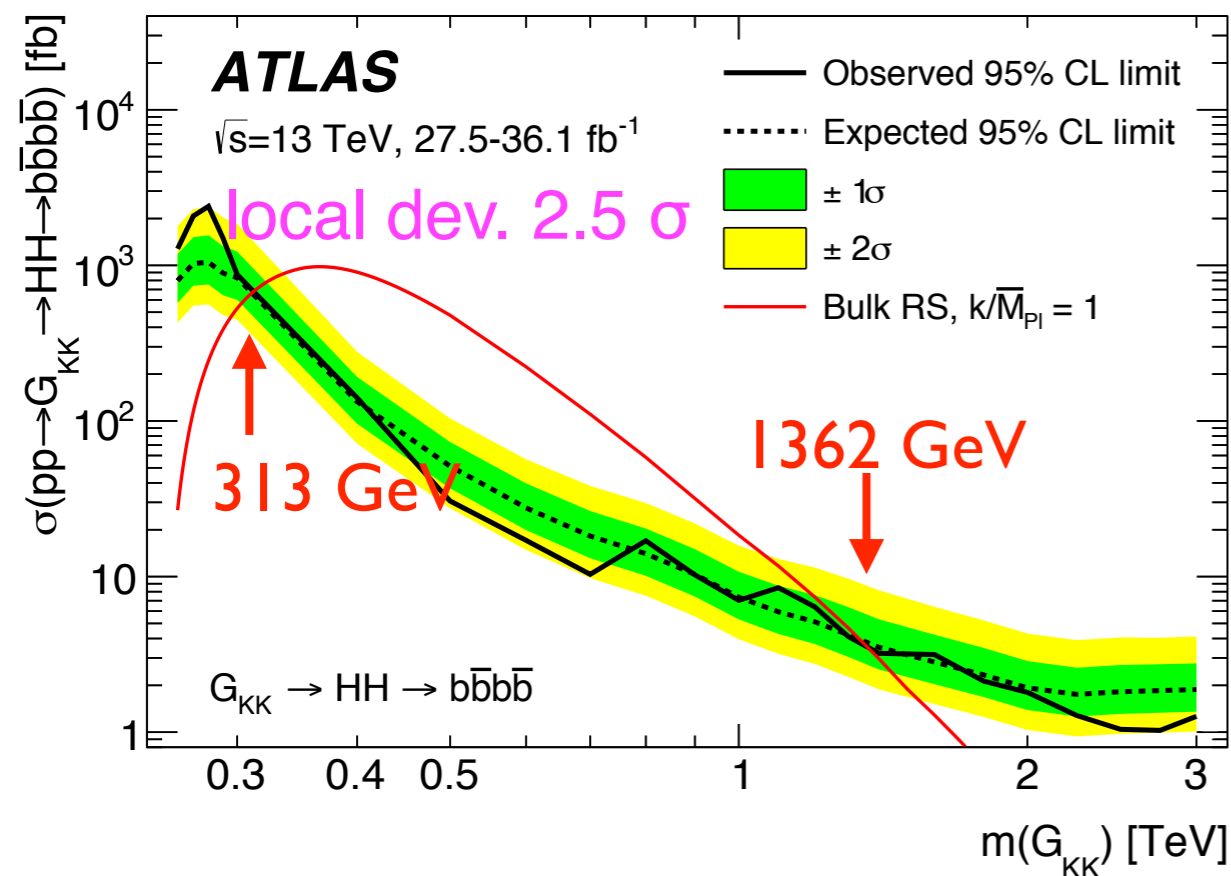
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HH fully hadronic: $HH \rightarrow b\bar{b}b\bar{b}$, $HH \rightarrow JJ$

Results:

- Simultaneous fit to resolved and boosted discriminant M_{4j} and M_{2J}
- Limits on mass range: 260–1400 GeV for resolved and 800–3000 GeV for boosted
- Set limits on heavy scalar and spin-2 bulk RS graviton



$ZV \rightarrow llqq, \nu\nu qq$ semi-leptonic

arXiv:1708.09638

$ZV \rightarrow llqq$ selection:

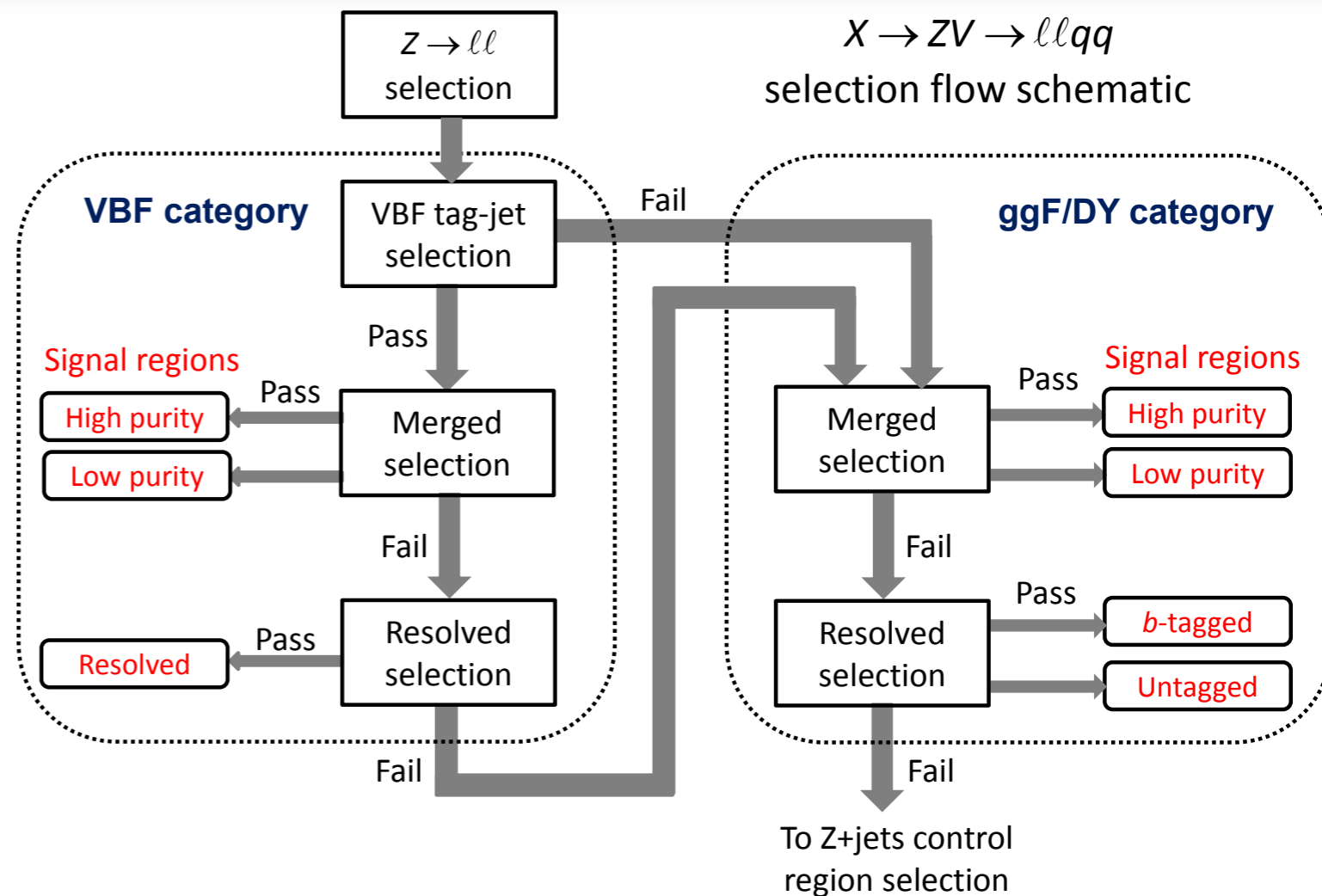
7 signal regions to increase sensitivity:

- **Merged**: one large R jet W/Z tagged (dominant above 800 GeV)
- splitted in **High and Low Purity** SR defined by $<50\%$ and $50-80\%$ of W/Z tagger Work Point.
- **Resolved**: two small radius jets with invariant mass compatible to W/Z
- ggF/DY splitted in **untag and b-tag**

$ZV \rightarrow \nu\nu qq$ selection:

similar to $ZV \rightarrow llqq$ but:

- **Only Merged selection**
- VBF looser cut $m_{j_1 j_2} > 630$ GeV
- No leptons and $E_T^{\text{miss}} > 250$ GeV
- Topological cuts to suppress multi-jets



BG evaluation data-driven:

- 7 CR for Z+jets (from qq SB)
- 4 CR for W+jets (from qq SB)
- 5 CR for ttbar (from eu selection)

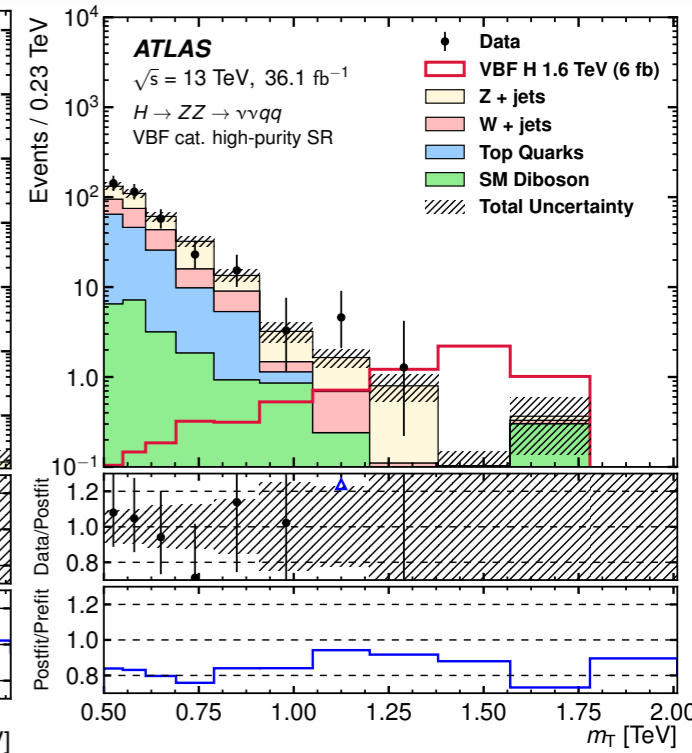
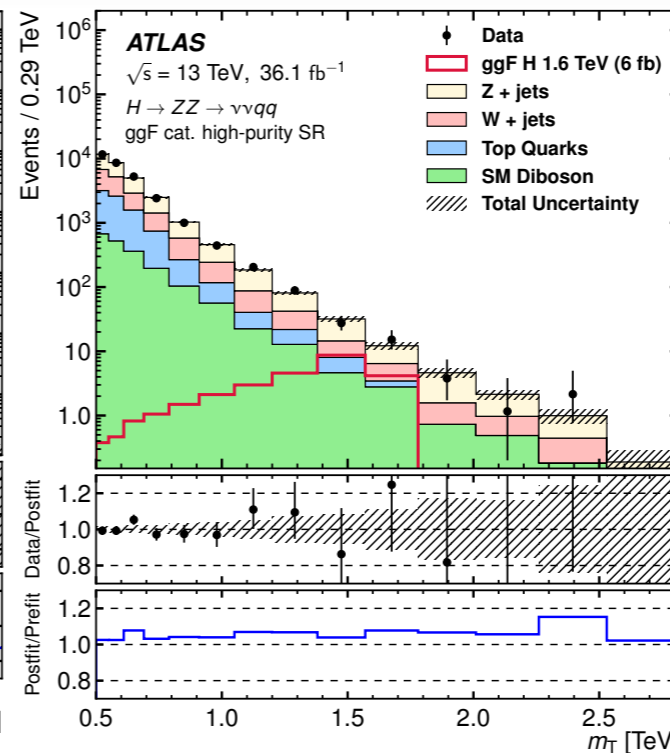
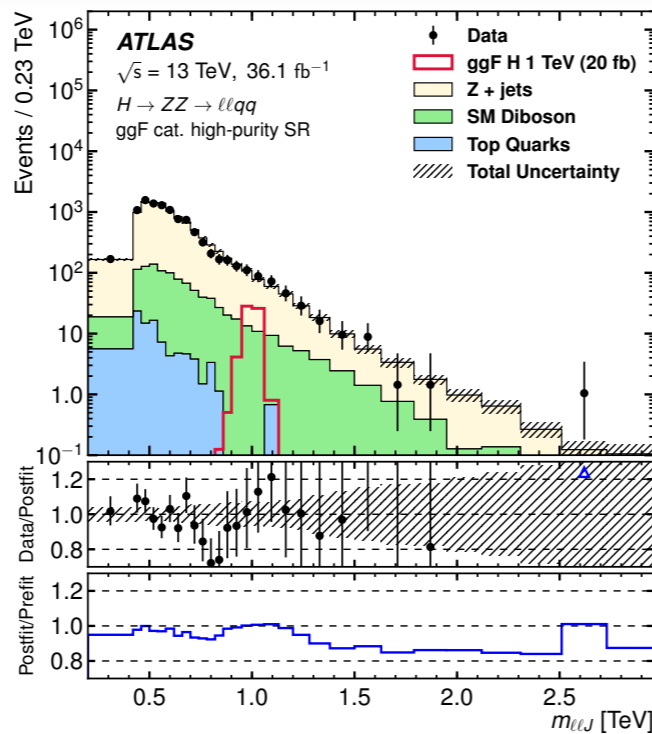
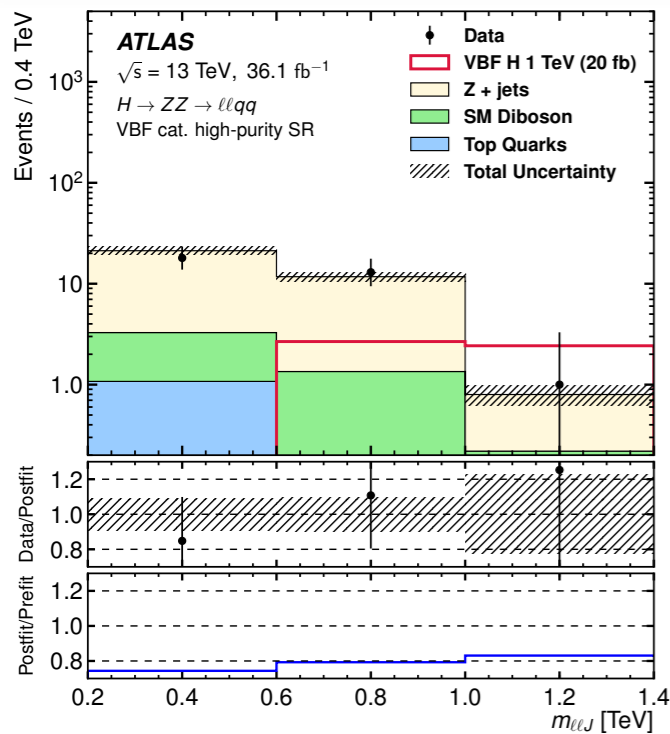
ZV → llqq, vvqq semi-leptonic

VBF merged llqq

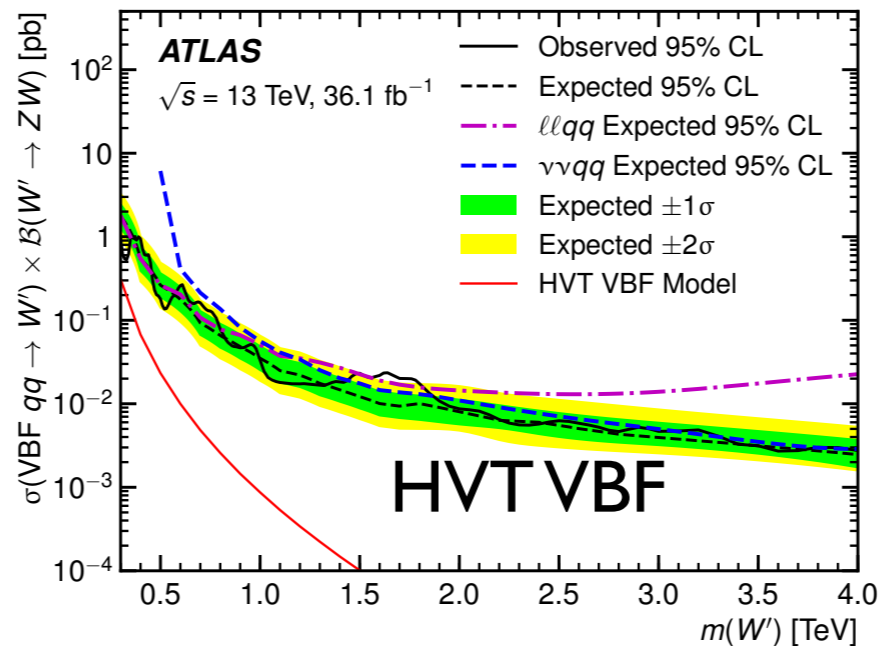
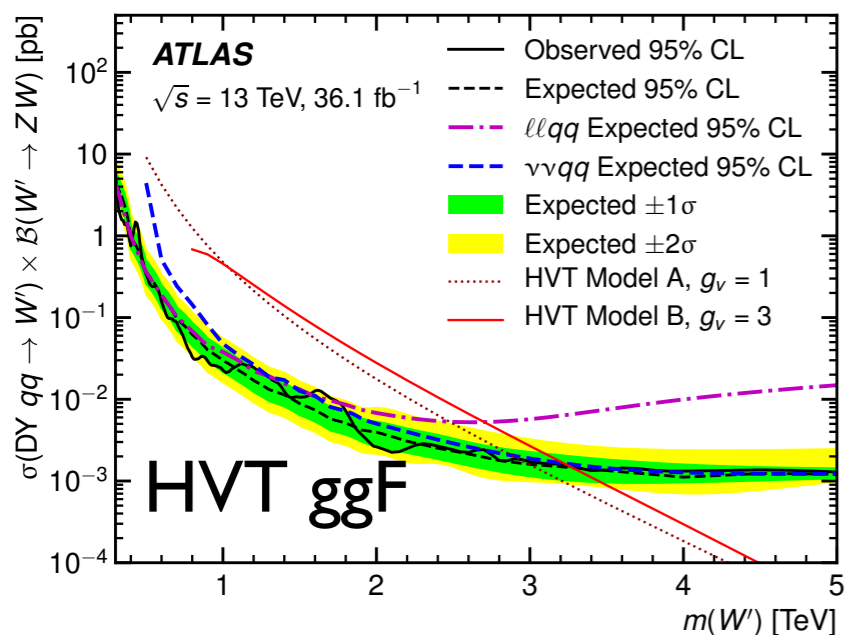
ggF/DY merged llqq

VBF merged vvqq

ggF/DY merged vvqq



- Dominant BG is Z+jet for both but for llvv also W+jet and tbar are significant
- V+jets and tbar normalization from CR, di-boson from MC



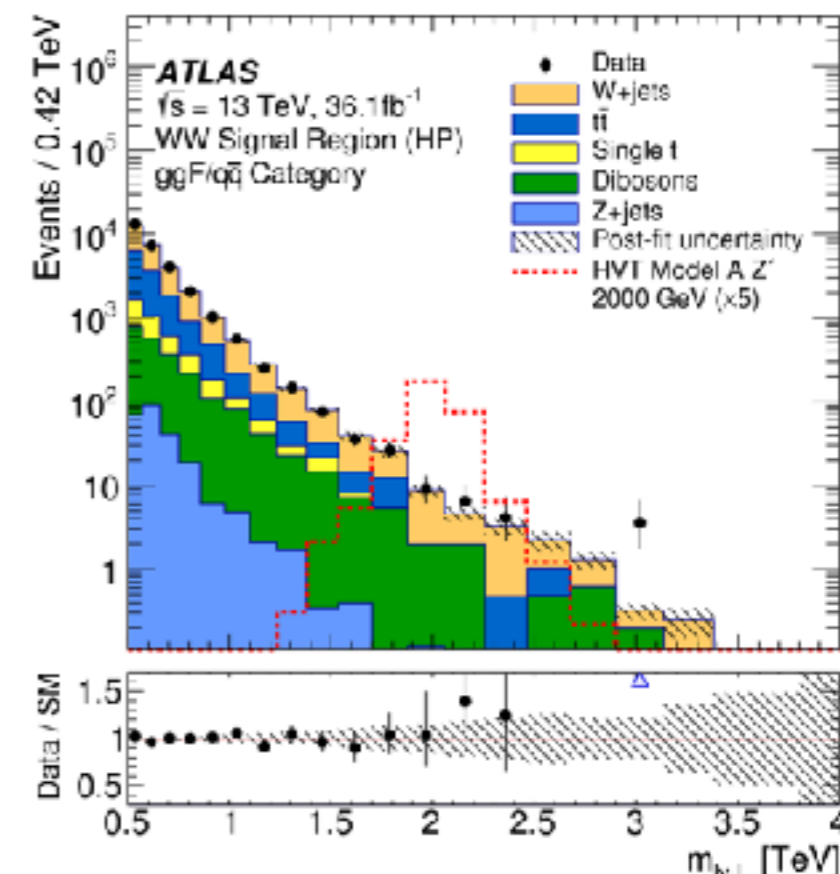
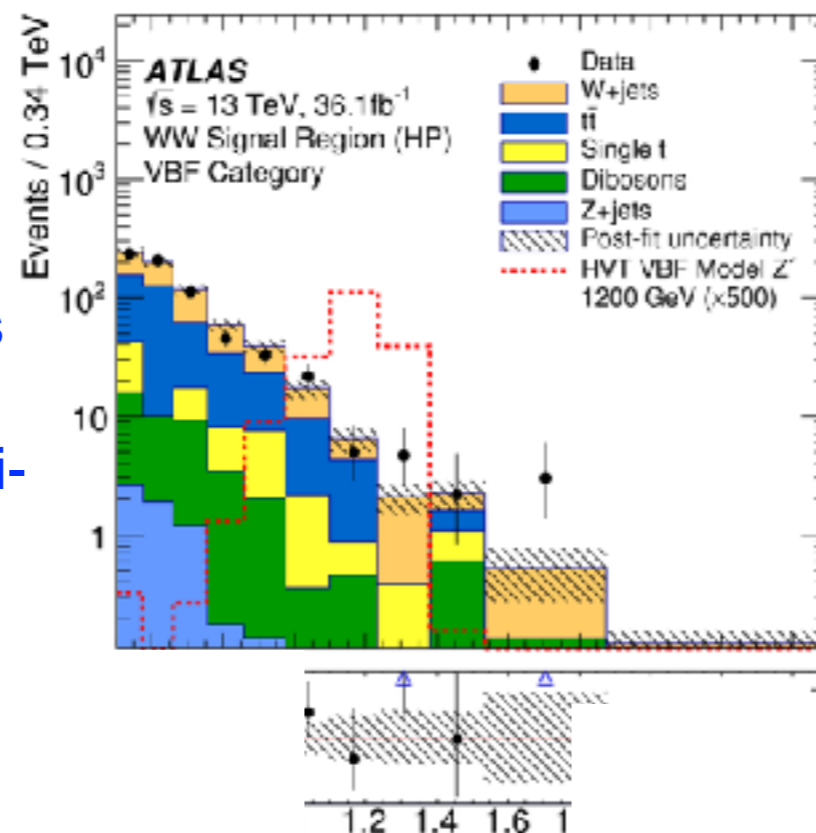
VBF xsec smaller than ggF
 Sensitivity often larger for VBF than ggF

$WV \rightarrow l\nu qq$ semi-leptonic

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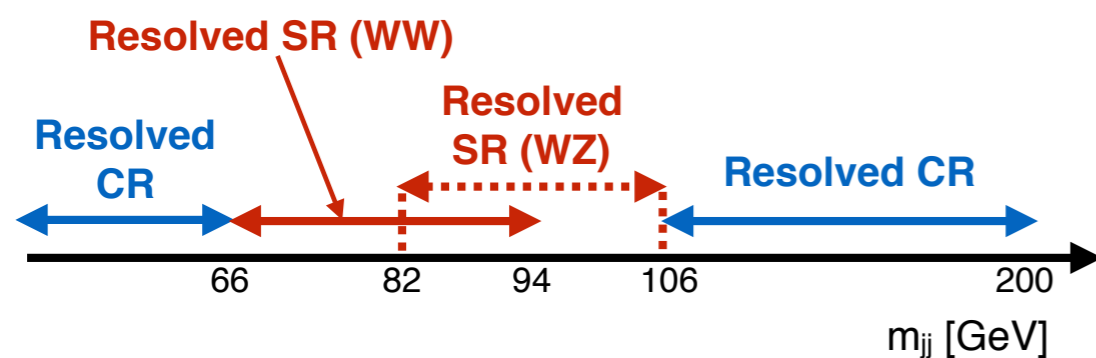
Selection:

- VBF and ggF/DY categorization
- Merged and Resolved selections
- 1 lepton+ E_{T}^{miss}
- $E_{T}^{\text{miss}}/p_{T}(l\nu) > 0.2$ suppress Multi-jets QCD Background

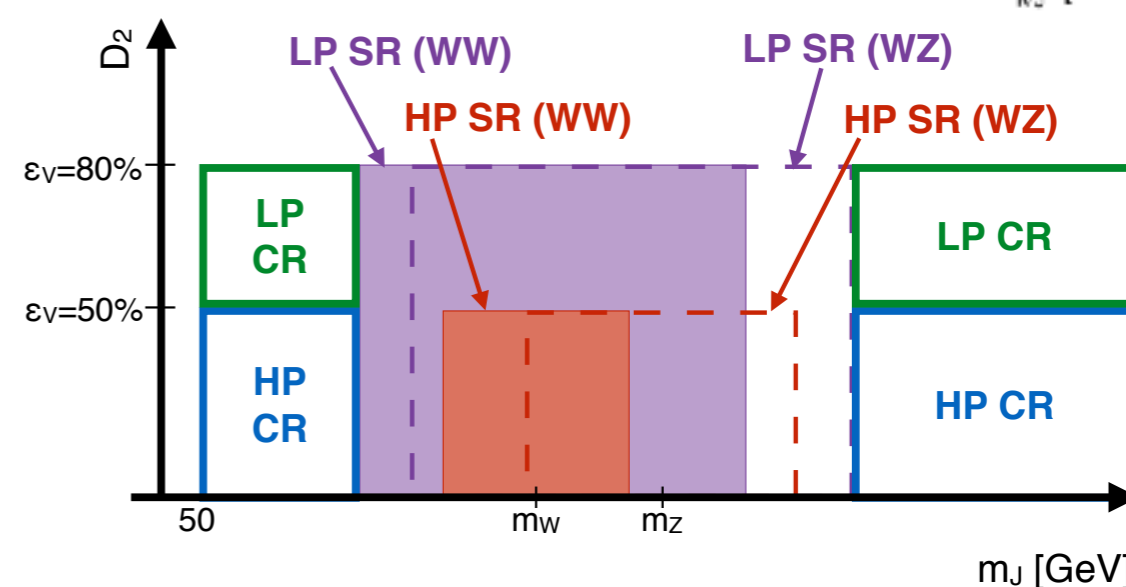


BG evaluation:

- 50-70% W+jets, 20-30% $t\bar{t}$
- 5% Z+jets+di-boson+single t
- Multi-jets $< 1\%$ for Merged and 5% for Resolved



RESOLVED CR and SR



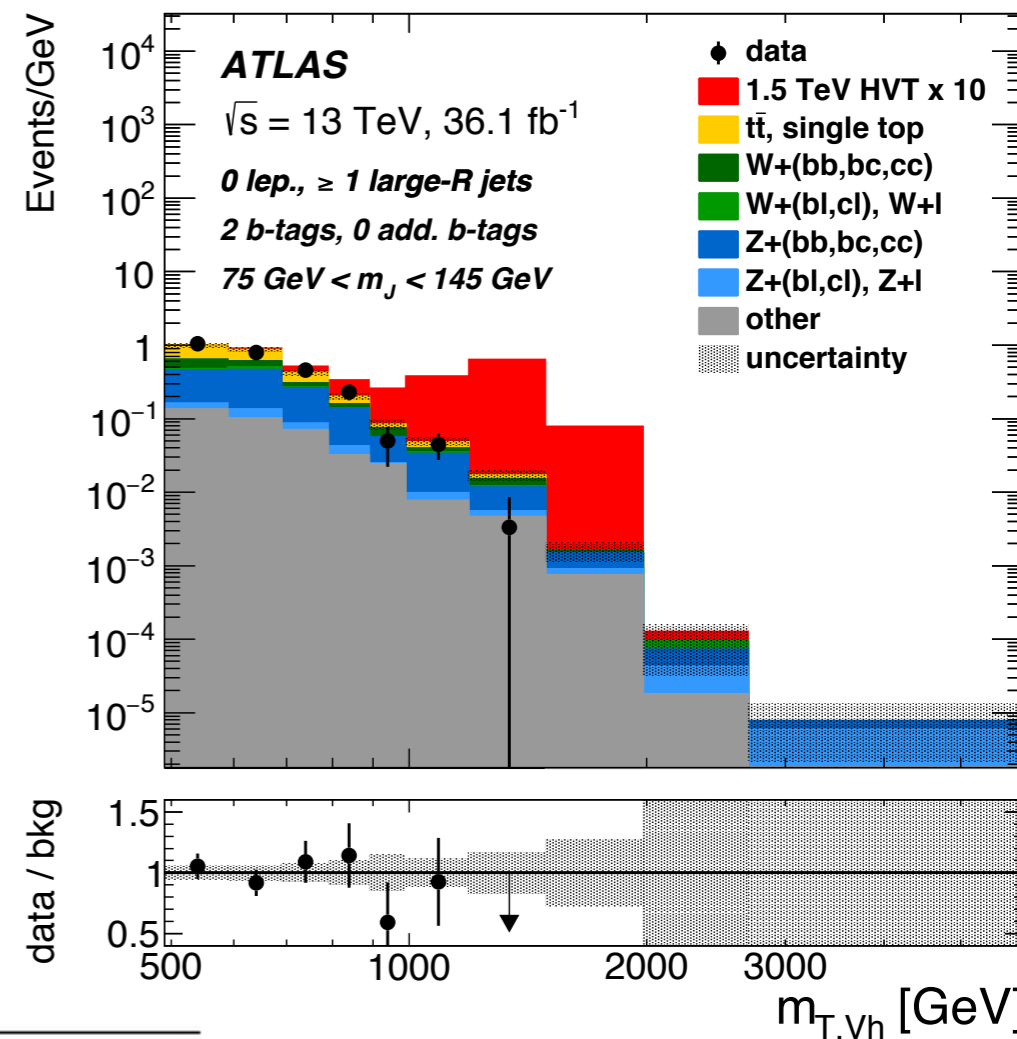
MERGED CR and SR

VH \rightarrow $llbb/lvbb/vbb$ semi-leptonic

arXiv:1712.06518

Selection:

- Resolved and Merged selections for $H \rightarrow bb$ with priority to resolved for better invariant mass resolution and less BG
- Signal discriminant:
 - 0-lepton is ZH transverse mass
 - 1-lepton WH mass with two-fold ambiguity
 - 2-leptons ZH invariant mass.
- Many cuts to remove Multi-jets QCD and non-collision BG to 10^{-4} negligible level.



BG evaluation:

- 0(2)-lepton: Z+jets, $t\bar{t}$, W+jets
- 1-lepton: $t\bar{t}$, single t , W+jets

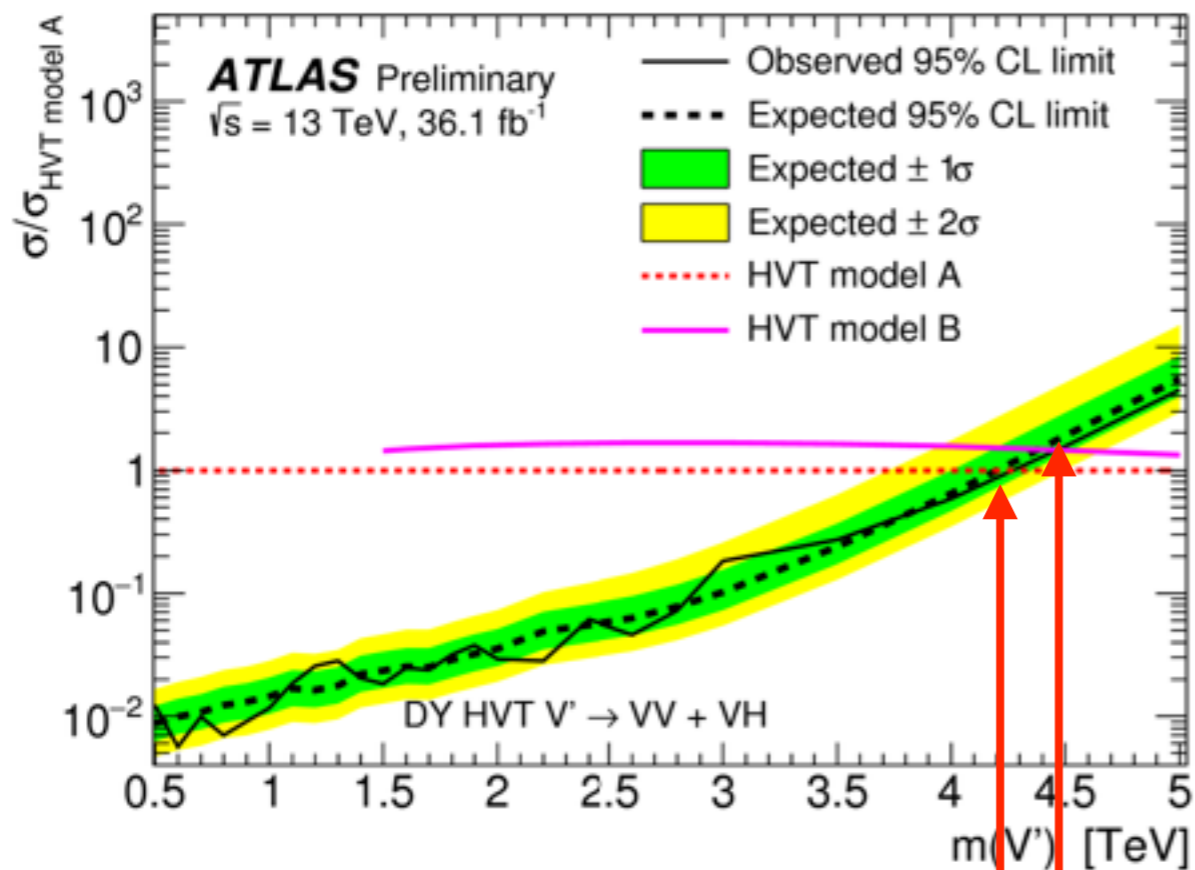
Fit	Channel	Resolved signal regions	Merged signal regions	Resolved control regions
A	0-lepton	1, 2, 3+ b -tag	1, 2 b -tag, and 1, 2 b -tag add. b -tag	-
	2-lepton	1, 2, 3+ b -tag	1, 2 b -tag, and 1+2 b -tag add. b -tag	1+2 b -tag, 3+ b -tag $e\mu$
HVT Z', W'	0-lepton	1, 2 b -tag	1, 2 b -tag	-
	1-lepton	1, 2 b -tag	1, 2 b -tag	1, 2 b -tag m_{ij} sideband
	2-lepton	1, 2 b -tag	1, 2 b -tag	1+2 b -tag $e\mu$

- CP-odd scalar boson $A \rightarrow ZHbb$

Definition of SR and CR different for V decay mode and model hypothesis

Combination at 36.1 fb⁻¹

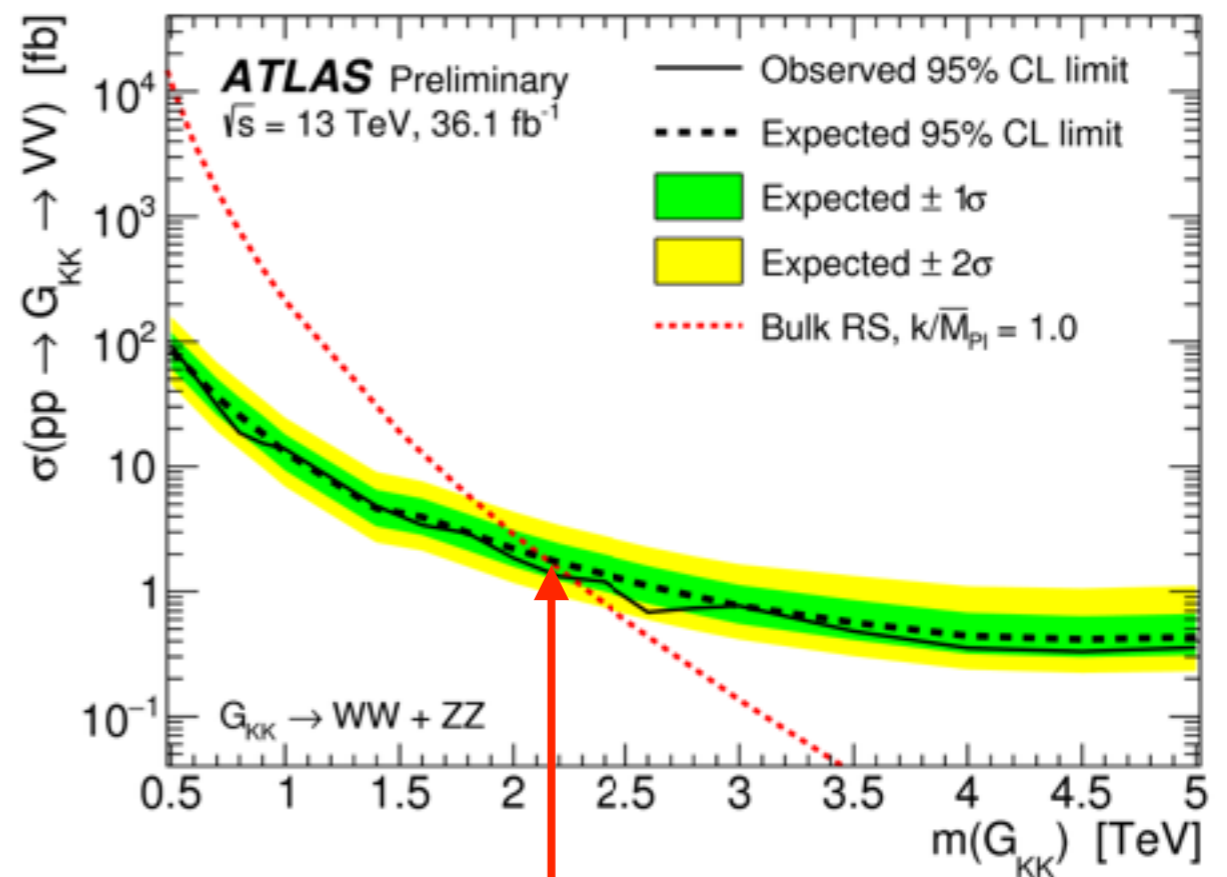
HVT V' → VV+VH



HVT A
4.2 TeV

HVT B
4.5 TeV

G_{KK} → WW+ZZ



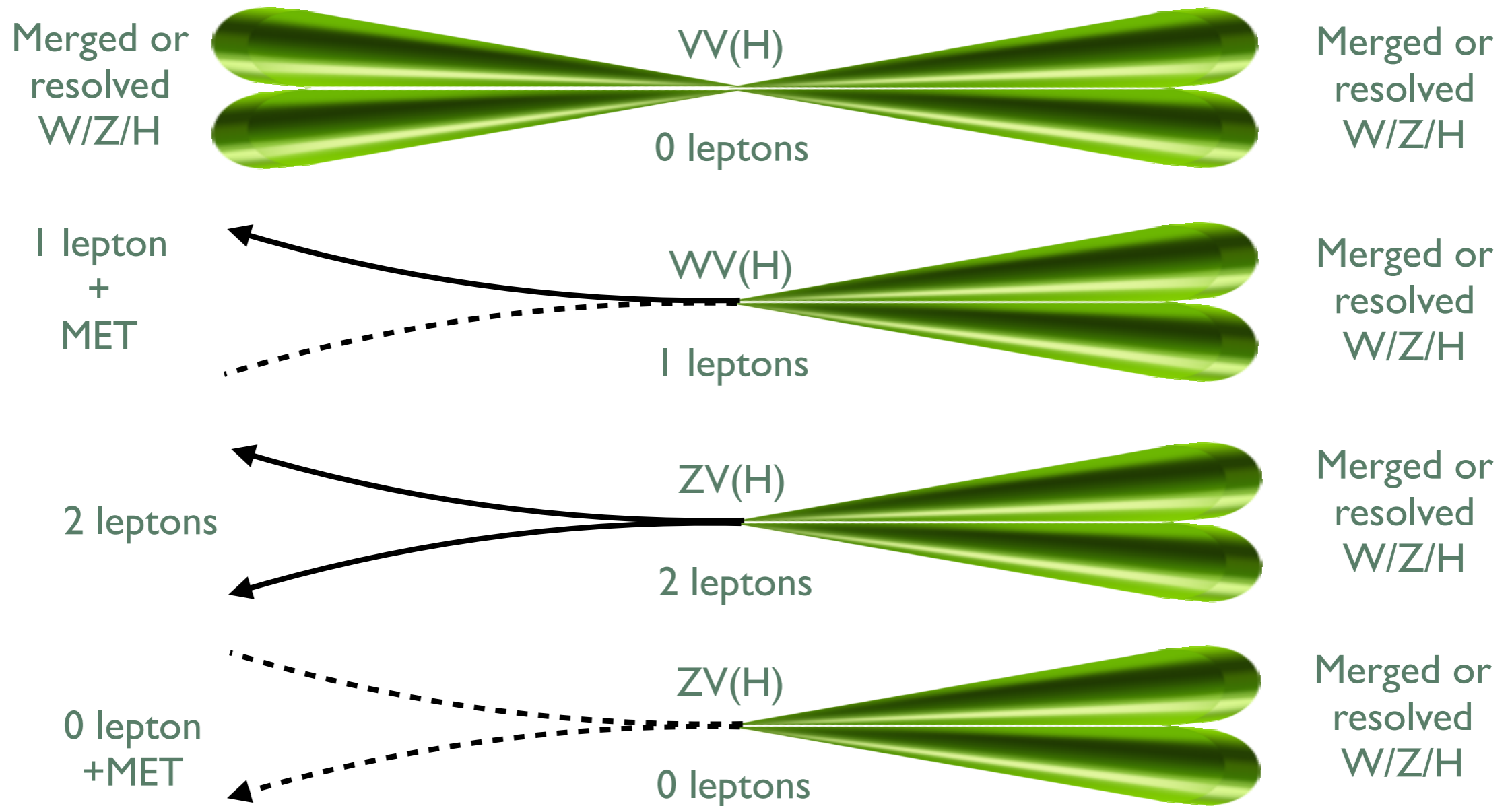
2.2 TeV

Conclusions

- ✓ Di-boson resonances searches at TeV scale are strongly motivated by naturalness principle
- ✓ Improving reconstruction and advanced analyses techniques we can get the most out of the data:
 - ✓ Boosted object tagging
 - ✓ New techniques in jet reconstruction and b-tagging
 - ✓ Machine learning methods applied to object definition and analysis selection
 - ✓ Statistical combinations of different decay modes
- ✓ With 2018 data an integrated luminosity of 140 fb^{-1} is expected

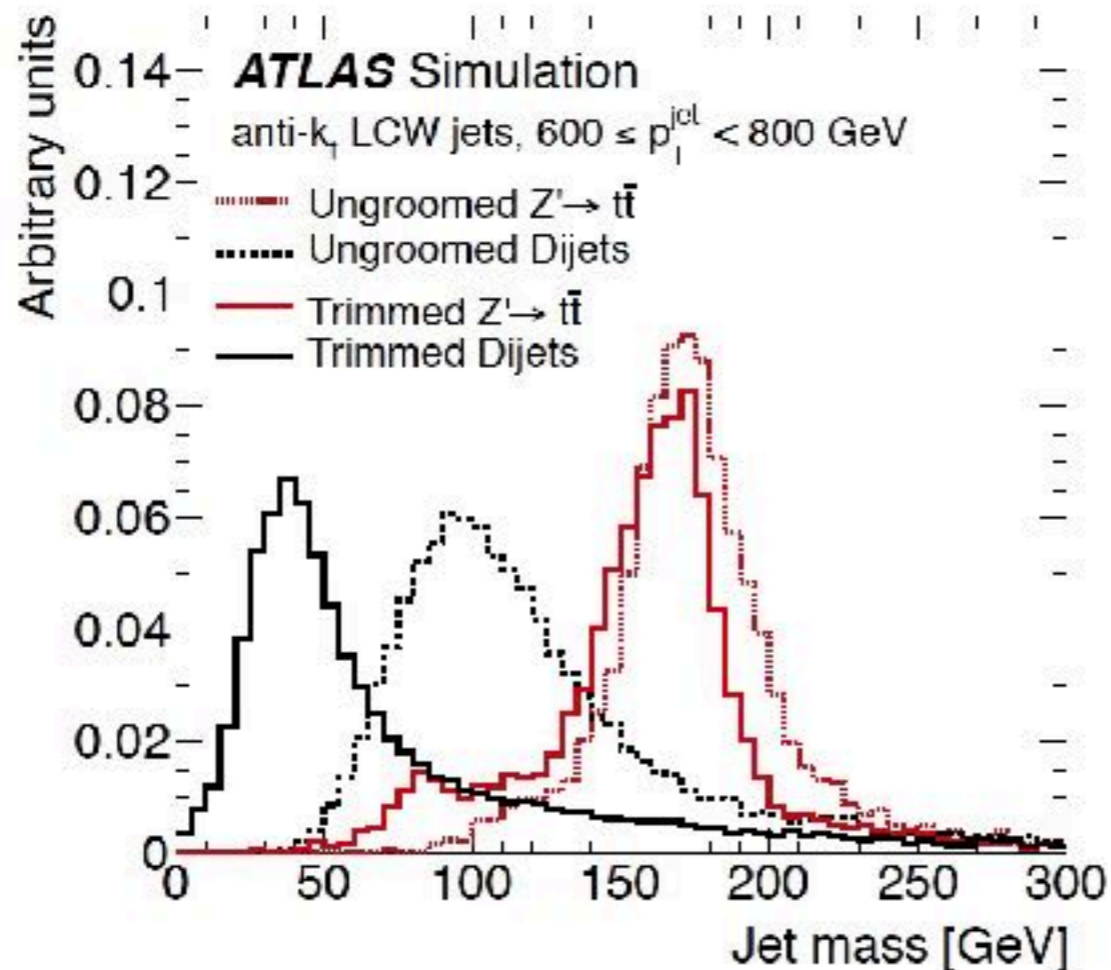
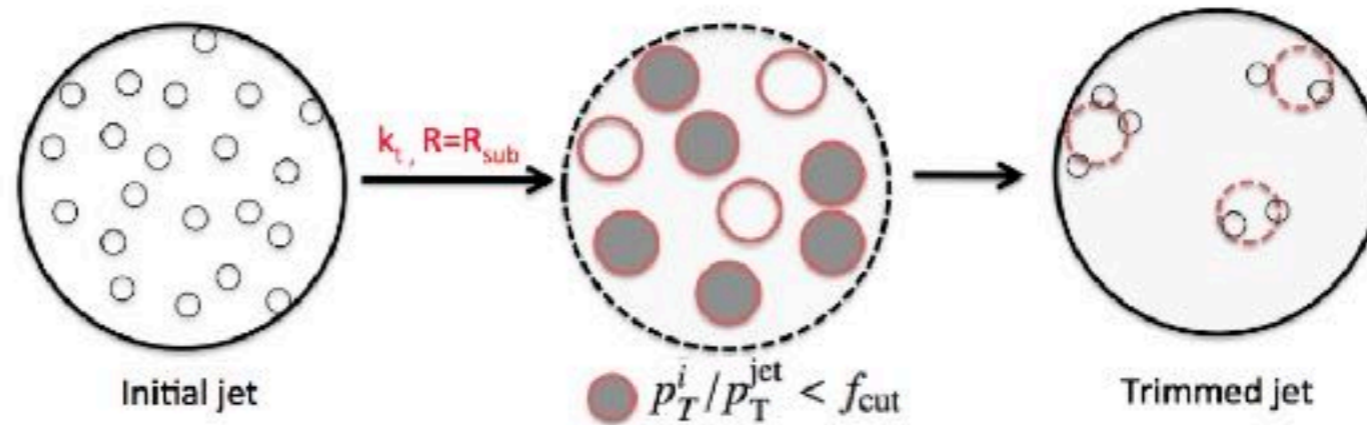
A bright future in front of us with full run II, run III and HL-LHC

Event topology



Jet trimming

Jet trimming



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Jet substructure

Jet substructure

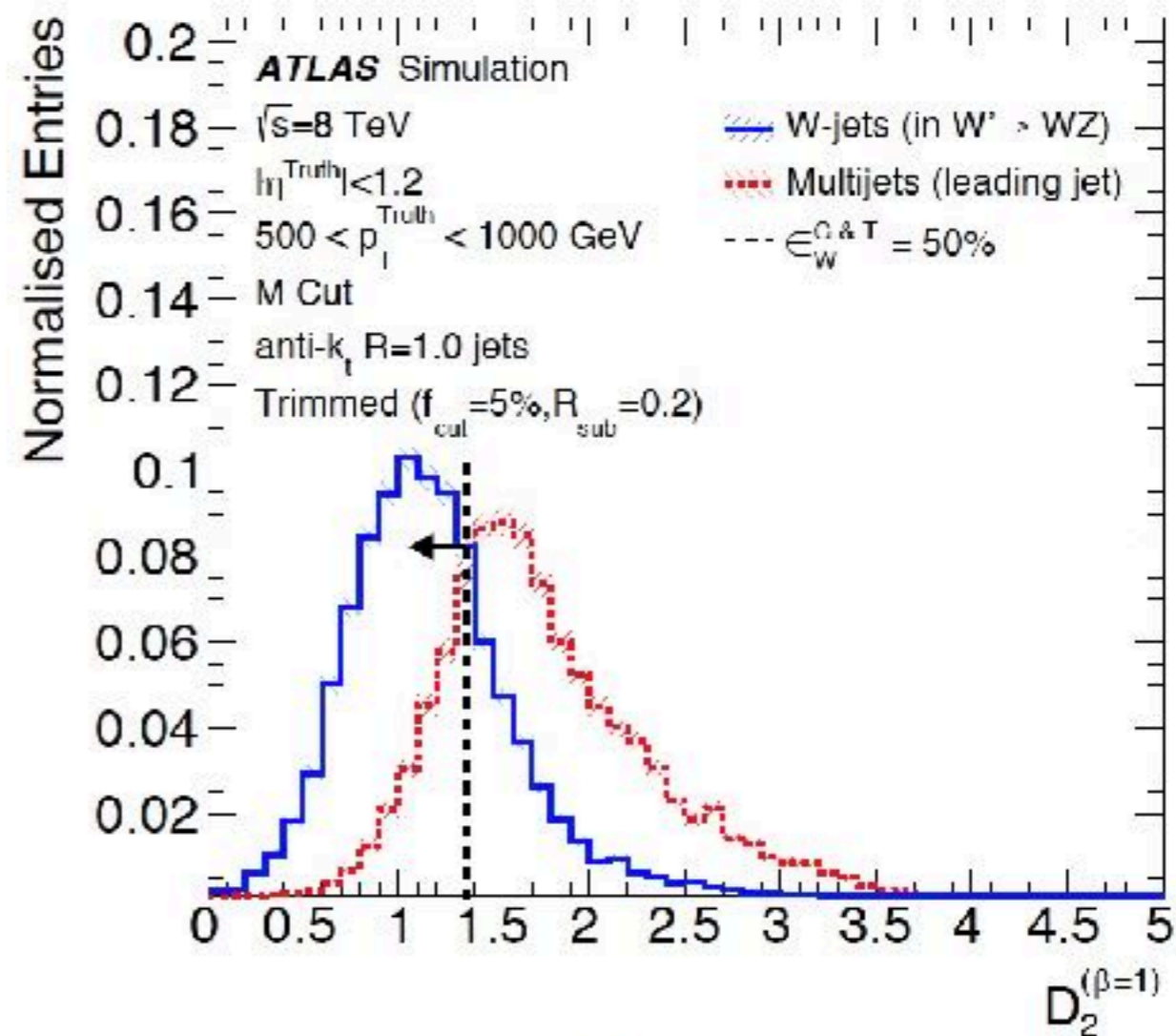
- The $D_2^{\beta=1}$ variable is useful in identifying jets with two-prong substructures.
- Defined from n-point energy correlation functions:

$$E_{CF1}(\beta) = \sum_{i \in J} p_{T_i}^\beta,$$

$$E_{CF2}(\beta) = \sum_{i < j \in J} p_{T_i} p_{T_j} (\Delta R_{ij})^\beta,$$

$$E_{CF3}(\beta) = \sum_{i < j < k \in J} p_{T_i} p_{T_j} p_{T_k} (\Delta R_{ij} \Delta R_{ik} \Delta R_{jk})^\beta,$$

$$D_2^{\beta=1} = E_{CF3} \left(\frac{E_{CF1}}{E_{CF2}} \right)^3$$



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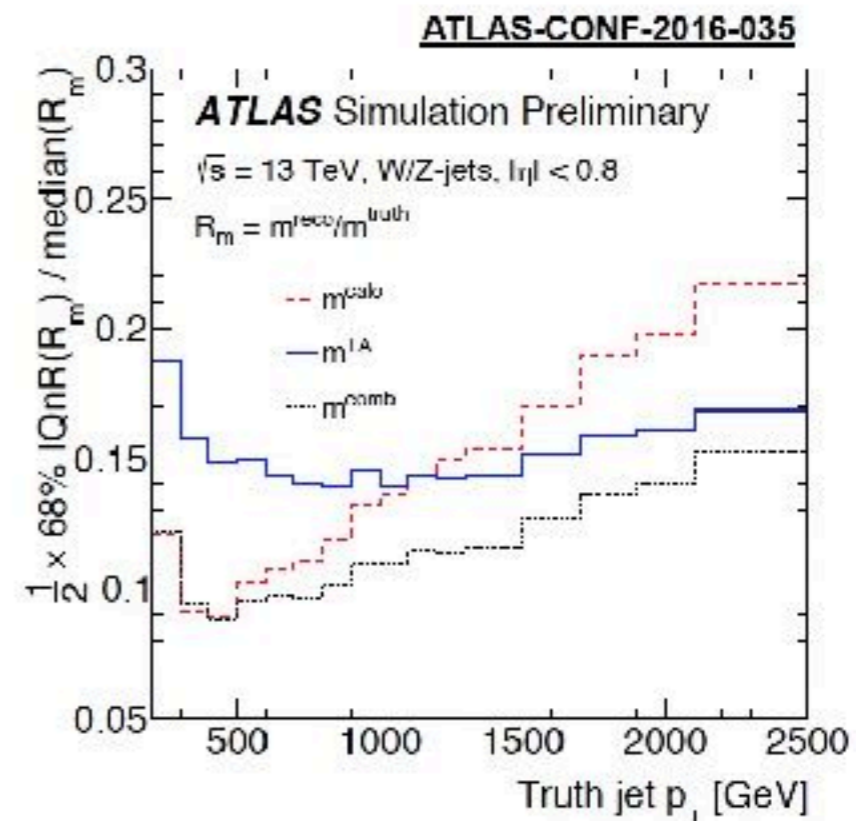
Combined jet mass

- The jet mass resolution is further improved by combining calorimeter and tracking information:

$$m_J \equiv w_{\text{calo}} \times m_J^{\text{calo}} + w_{\text{track}} \times \left(m_J^{\text{track}} \frac{p_T^{\text{calo}}}{p_T^{\text{track}}} \right)$$

- w_{calo} and w_{track} are inversely proportional to the square of the resolution of each mass term and are optimized to minimize the combined jet mass resolution.

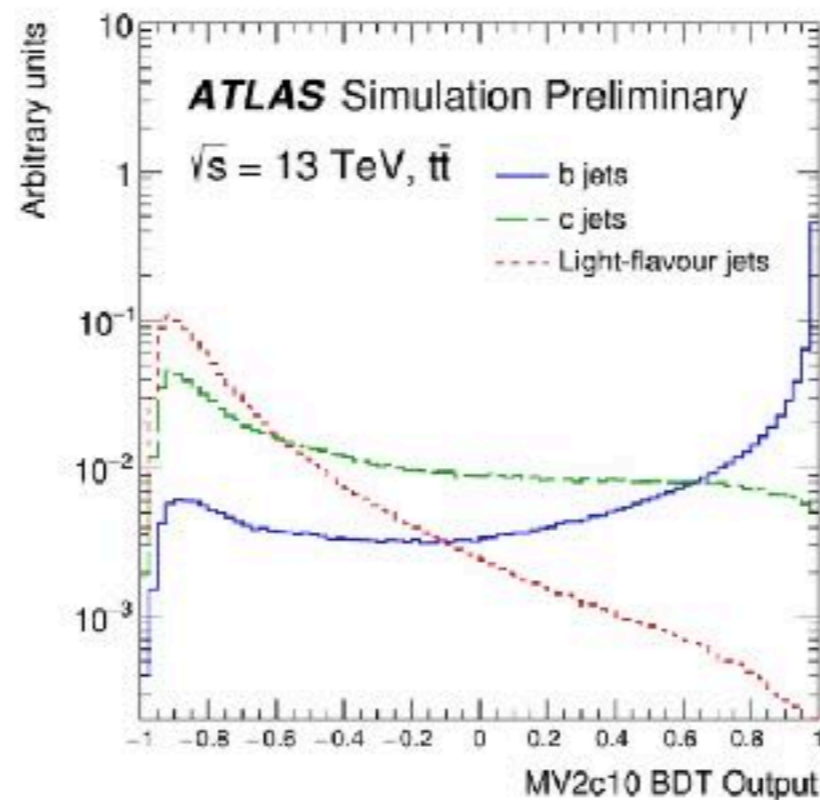
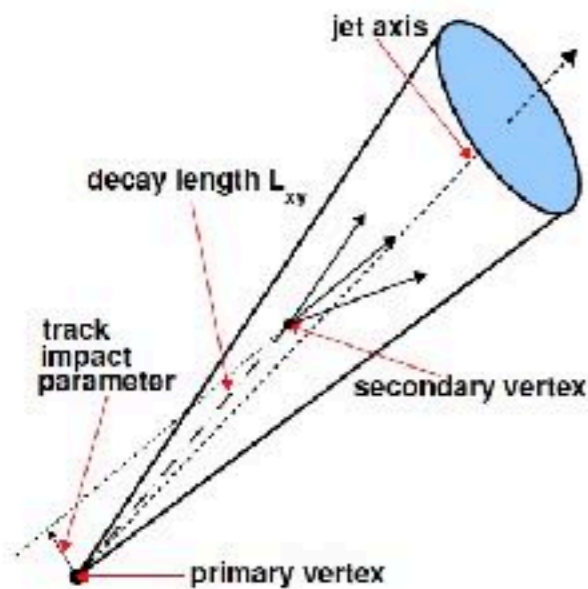
- Resolution is improved especially at high jet p_T , due to the coarser angular resolution of the calorimeter.
- For Higgs boson reconstruction in the bb decay channel, the mass resolution can also be improved by correcting for semi-leptonic decays of the b -hadrons.



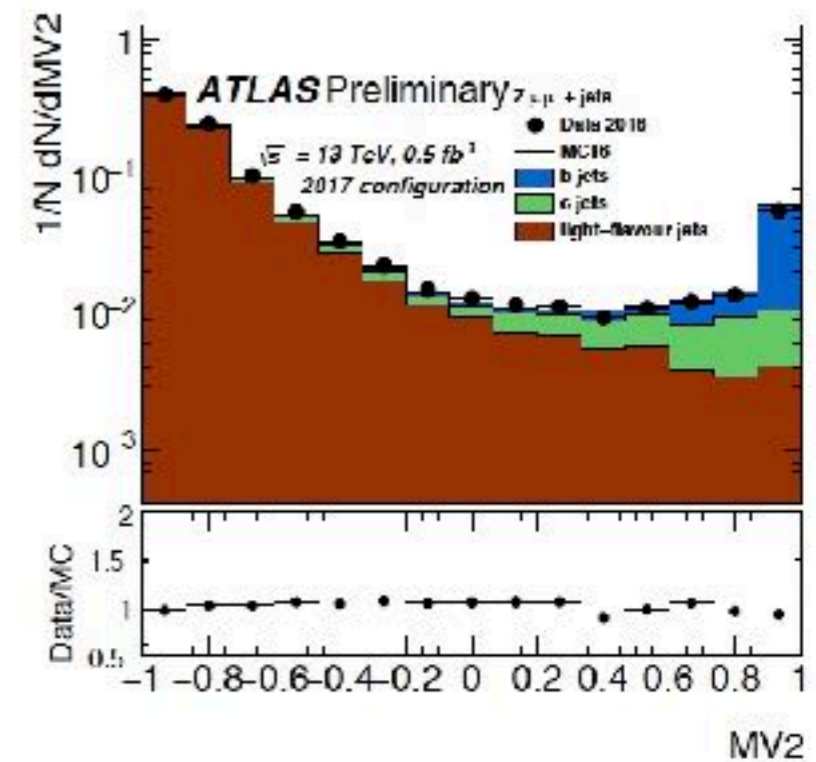
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b-tagging

- Crucial for reconstructing Higgs to $b\bar{b}$ decays but also for rejecting top backgrounds.
- A b-hadron decay in the detector provides a measurable displaced secondary vertex.
- A multivariate tagging algorithm combines information from vertexing and impact parameter tagging algorithms to a set of tracks associated to a jet/track-jet, in order to identify jets containing b-hadrons.

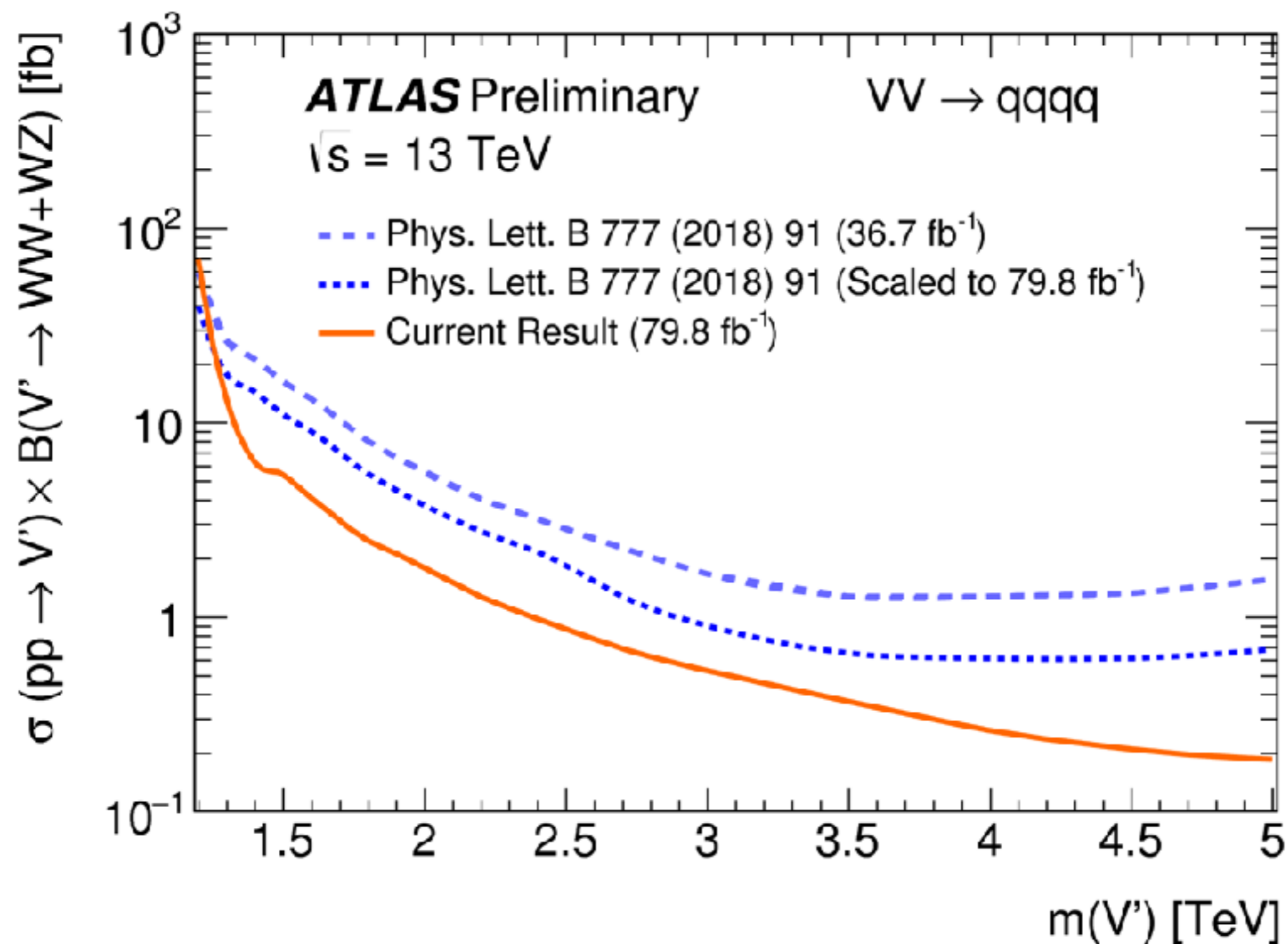


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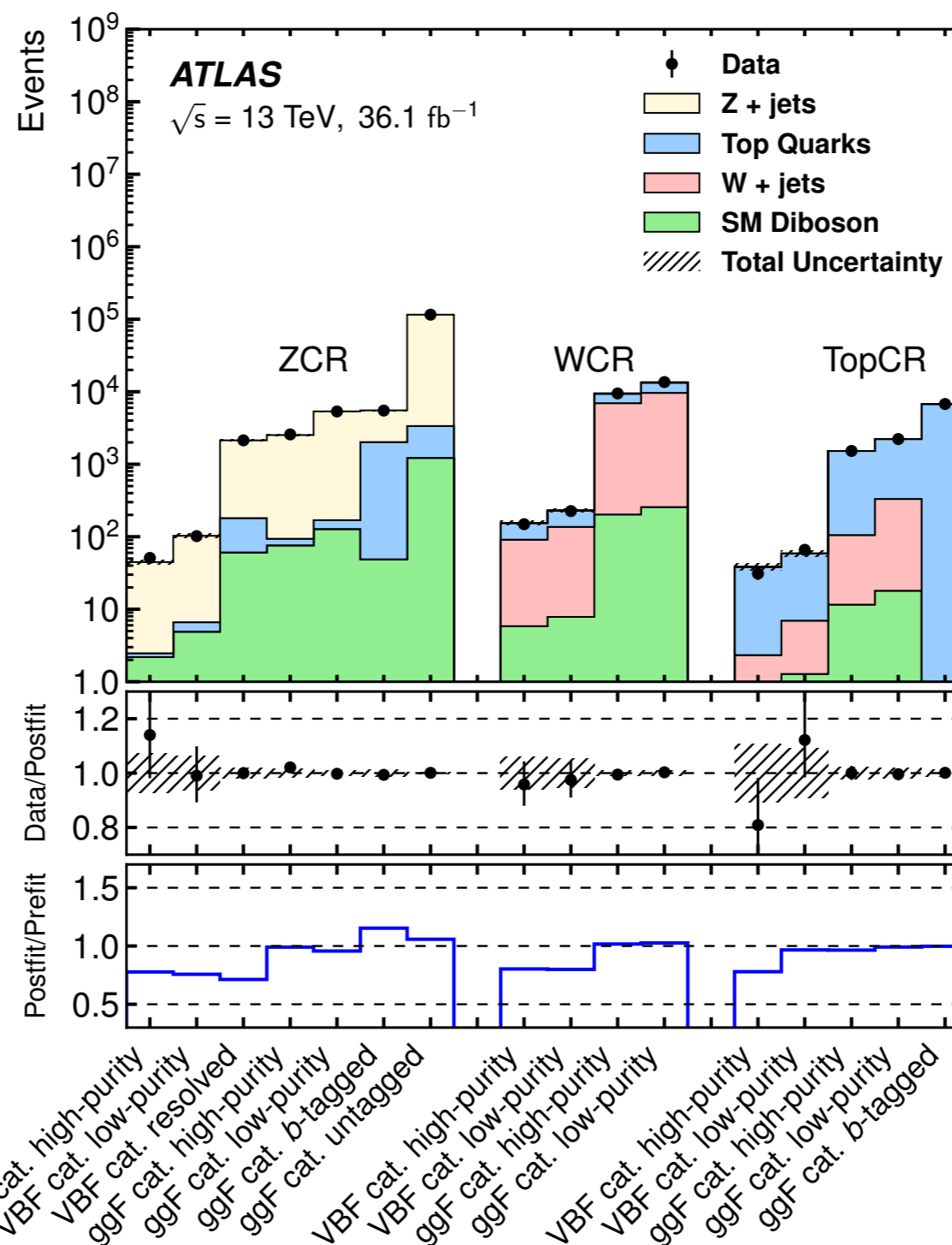
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VV fully hadronic: VV → JJ



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from qq SideBand

from eu selection