

Drell-Yan $H_5^{\pm\pm} \rightarrow W^\pm W^\pm \rightarrow$ like-sign leptons

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ATLAS Collaboration, “Search for anomalous production of prompt same-sign lepton pairs and pair-produced doubly charged Higgs bosons with $\sqrt{s} = 8$ TeV pp collisions using the ATLAS detector,” 1412.0237 (JHEP 2015). 20.3 fb^{-1}

Measured like-sign dilepton fiducial cross section.

In good agreement with SM prediction \Rightarrow set limits on anomalous production cross section.

Doubly-charged Higgs interpretation assumed $H^{\pm\pm} \rightarrow \ell^{\pm}\ell^{\pm}$ (dilepton resonance) – not useful for GM model.

Theorist recasting: $\mu^{\pm}\mu^{\pm}$ channel provides strongest limit.

Selection cuts: same-sign dilepton pair with $p_T^{\ell_1} > 25$ GeV, $p_T^{\ell_2} > 20$ GeV, $|\eta| < 2.5$, $M_{\ell\ell} > 15$ GeV.

Events with an opposite-sign same-flavour dilepton pair with $|M_{\ell+\ell-} - M_Z| < 10$ GeV rejected.

Kanemura, Kikuchi, Yagyu & Yokoya, “LHC Run-I constraint on the mass of doubly charged Higgs bosons in the same-sign diboson decay scenario,” 1412.7603

Recast the ATLAS result in the context of the Higgs Triplet Model $(\phi^+, \phi^0) + (\chi^{++}, \chi^+, \chi^0)$.

Production: Drell-Yan (fixed by gauge coupling & H^{++} mass)

(a) $pp \rightarrow H^{++} H^{--}$

(b) $pp \rightarrow H^{++} H^-$ Assumed $m_{H^\pm} = m_{H^{\pm\pm}}$

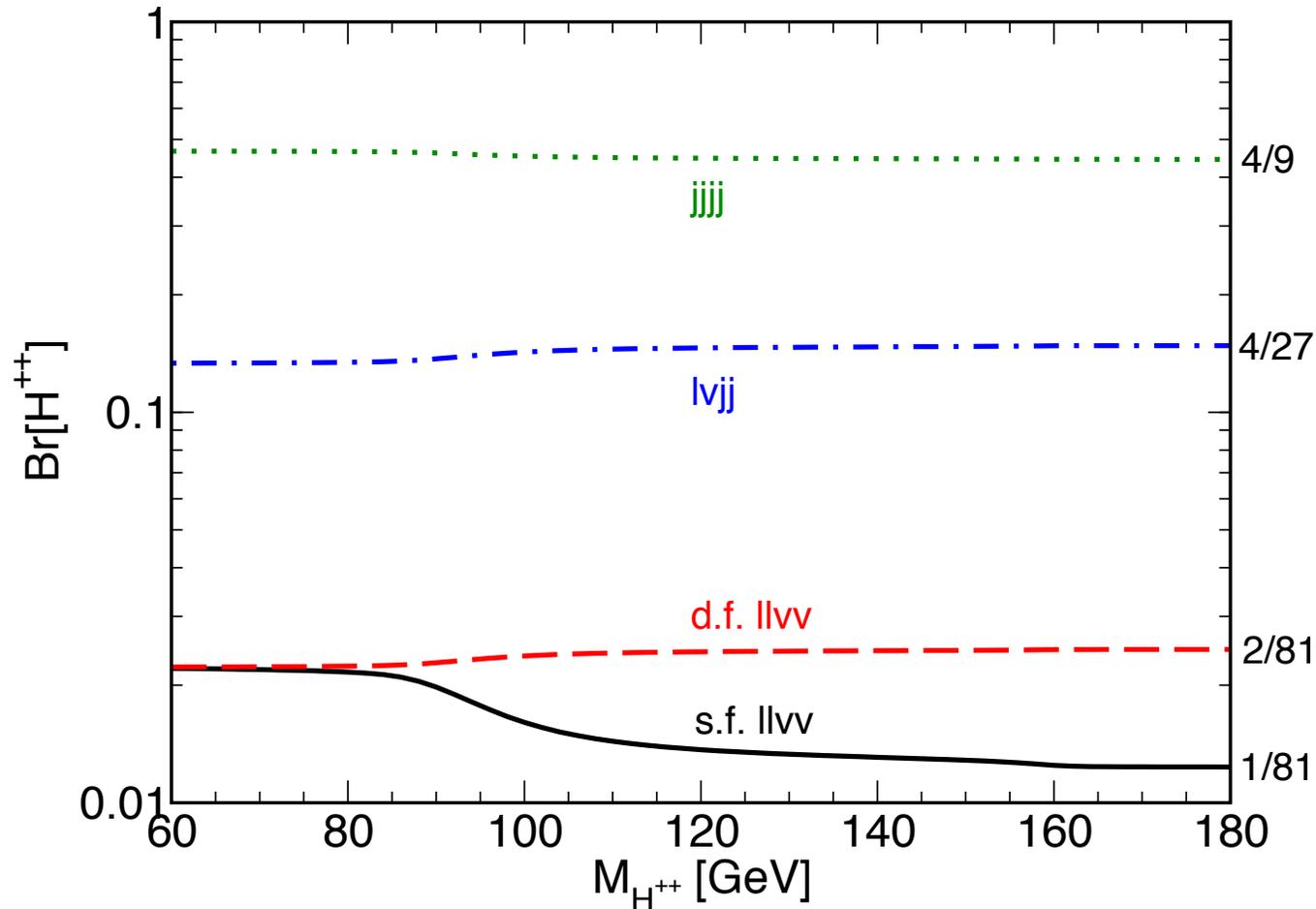
(c) $pp \rightarrow H^+ H^{--}$

$$\sigma_{\text{fid}}(\mu^\pm \mu^\pm) = [\sigma_a \cdot \{2\epsilon_a - \epsilon_a^2 \mathcal{B}_{\mu\mu}\} + \sigma_b \cdot \epsilon_b + \sigma_c \cdot \epsilon_c] \cdot \mathcal{B}_{\mu\mu},$$

Details of the production cross section (NLO K-factor) and interference effects* in the decay BRs (important for $m_{H^{++}} < 160$ GeV), are described in detail in

Kanemura, Kikuchi, Yagyu & Yokoya, 1407.6547

*Below the WW threshold, same-flavour leptons can come from either of the W s, leading to an interference term. Need full $H^{++} \rightarrow 4f$ branching ratios simulation.



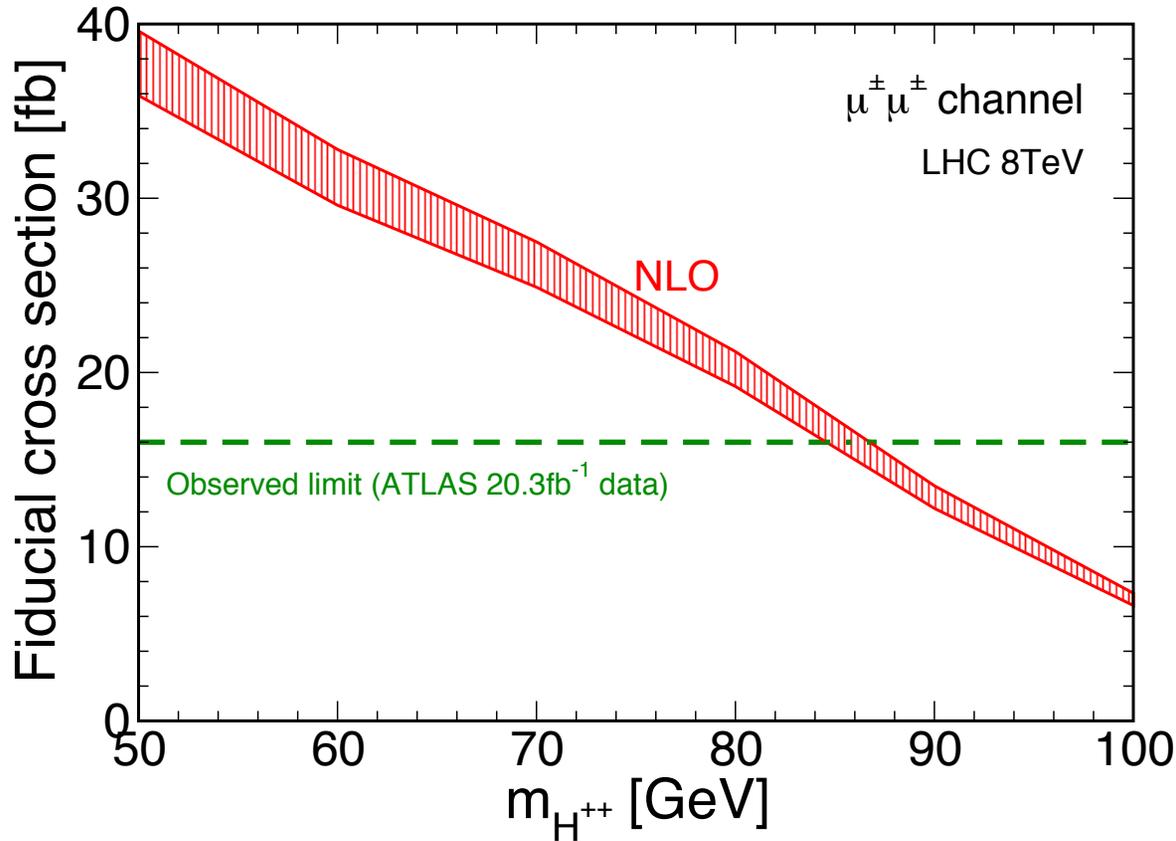
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| $m_{H^{\pm\pm}}$ | 50 | 60 | 70 | 80 | 90 | 100 [GeV] | |
|--|------|------|------|-------|-------|-----------|------|
| $\sigma_{\text{tot}}^{\text{NLO}}(pp \rightarrow H^{++} H^{--})$ | 8.52 | 3.57 | 1.93 | 1.16 | 0.744 | 0.501 | [pb] |
| $\sigma_{\text{tot}}^{\text{NLO}}(pp \rightarrow H^{++} H^-) [m_{H^\pm} = m_{H^{\pm\pm}}]$ | 10.6 | 4.47 | 2.36 | 1.40 | 0.891 | 0.598 | [pb] |
| $\sigma_{\text{tot}}^{\text{NLO}}(pp \rightarrow H^+ H^{--}) [m_{H^\pm} = m_{H^{\pm\pm}}]$ | 6.71 | 2.73 | 1.40 | 0.803 | 0.498 | 0.326 | [pb] |
| $\mathcal{B}(H^{\pm\pm} \rightarrow \mu^\pm \mu^\pm \nu\nu)$ | 2.22 | 2.21 | 2.19 | 2.16 | 1.98 | 1.61 | [%] |
| $\epsilon_A(pp \rightarrow H^{++} H^{--})$ | 5.1 | 9.9 | 16. | 21. | 23. | 23. | [%] |
| $\epsilon_A(pp \rightarrow H^{++} H^-)$ | 4.9 | 9.9 | 15. | 21. | 22. | 23. | [%] |
| $\epsilon_A(pp \rightarrow H^+ H^{--})$ | 4.7 | 9.7 | 15. | 21. | 23. | 22. | [%] |
| $\sigma_{\text{fid}}(pp \rightarrow \mu^\pm \mu^\pm + X) [m_{H^\pm} = m_{H^{\pm\pm}}]$ | 37.7 | 31.2 | 26.2 | 20.2 | 12.8 | 6.98 | [fb] |

Acceptance efficiencies from LO MadGraph5 simulation.

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Shaded band: $\pm 5\%$ uncertainty on NLO DY xsec

Set limit $m_{H^{++}} \gtrsim 84$ GeV in HTM.

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Reinterpreted HTM recasting in the GM model.

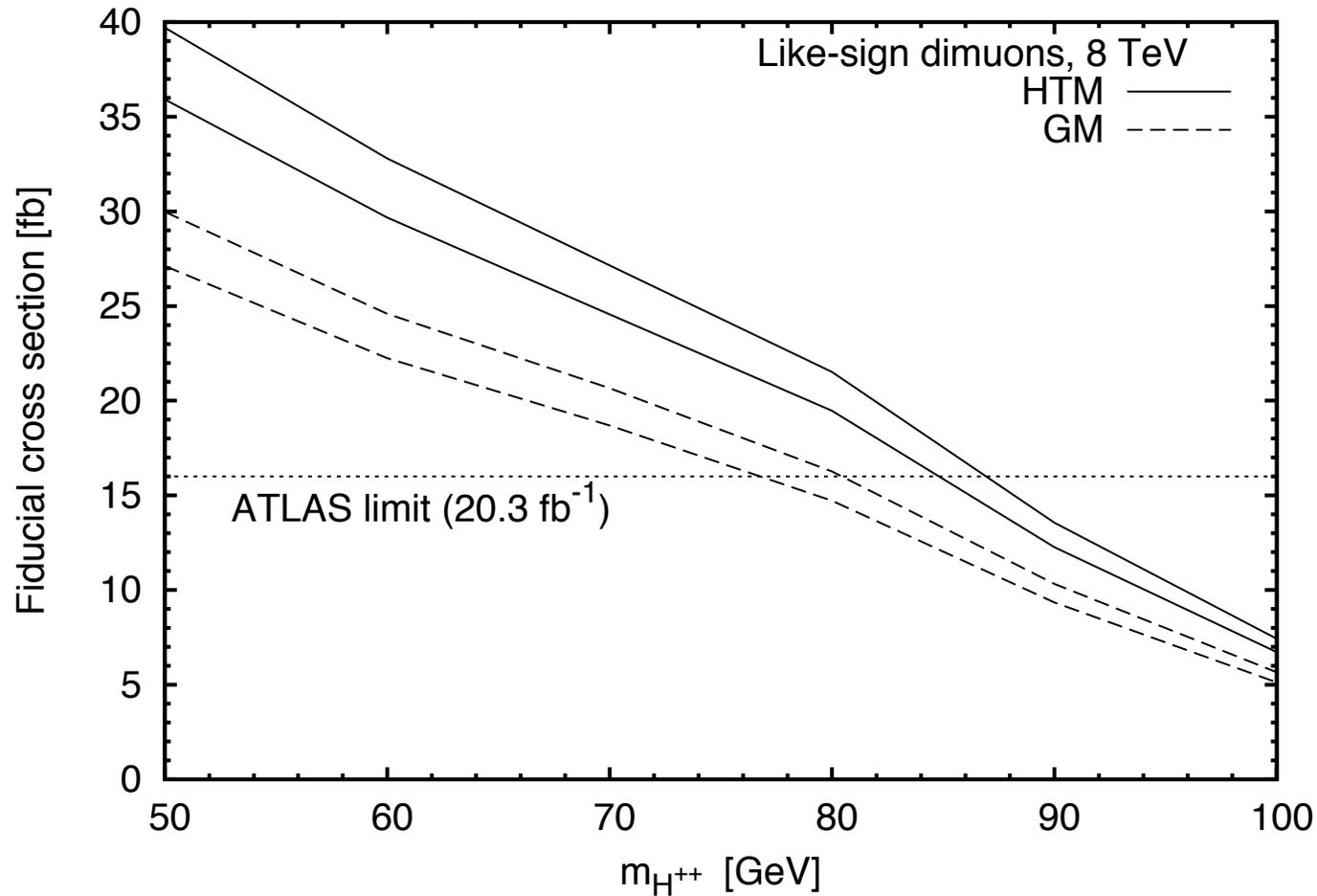
Simple relation of cross sections:

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma_{\text{tot}}^{\text{NLO}}(pp \rightarrow H_5^{++} H_5^{--})_{\text{GM}} &= \sigma_{\text{tot}}^{\text{NLO}}(pp \rightarrow H^{++} H^{--})_{\text{HTM}}, \\ \sigma_{\text{tot}}^{\text{NLO}}(pp \rightarrow H_5^{\pm\pm} H_5^{\mp})_{\text{GM}} &= \frac{1}{2} \sigma_{\text{tot}}^{\text{NLO}}(pp \rightarrow H^{\pm\pm} H^{\mp})_{\text{HTM}}.\end{aligned}$$

$m_{H^\pm} = m_{H^{\pm\pm}}$ guaranteed by custodial symmetry.

Everything else that we needed was provided already by [Kanemura, Kikuchi, Yagyu & Yokoya, 1412.7603](#)

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Set limit $m_{H^{++}} \gtrsim 76$ GeV in GM model.

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Subtleties:

- We ignored contributions to the $H^{\pm\pm}$ production cross section from Drell-Yan $pp \rightarrow H_5^{\pm\pm} H_3^\mp$ (depends also on m_3), VBF $\rightarrow H^{\pm\pm}$ (rate proportional to s_H^2), and $pp \rightarrow H \rightarrow H_5^\pm H_5^\mp$ (requires $m_H > 2m_5$). These would make the exclusion stronger, but introduce dependence on additional model parameters.
- We assumed $m_3 > m_5$ so that $\text{BR}(H_5^{\pm\pm} \rightarrow W^\pm W^\pm) = 1$. This is safe because LEP searches for charged Higgs decaying to fermions excludes H_3^\pm up to masses higher than 76 GeV (hep-ex/0107031).