

# Measurements of the Higgs boson properties at the ATLAS experiment

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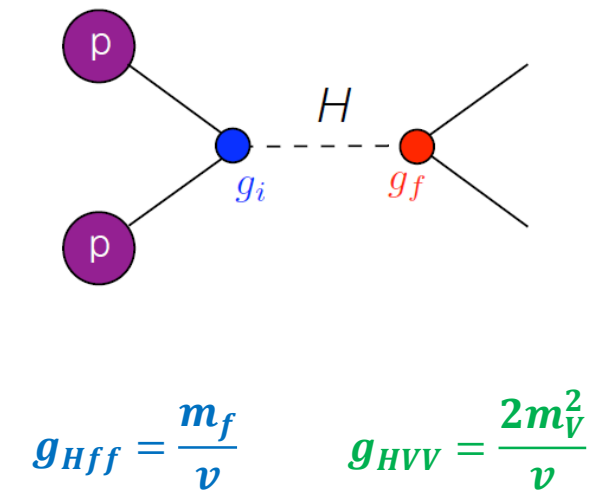
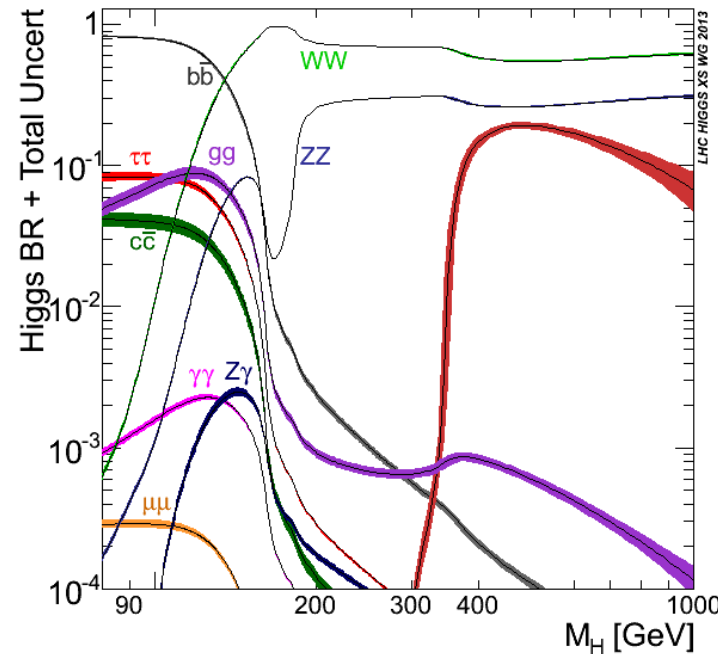
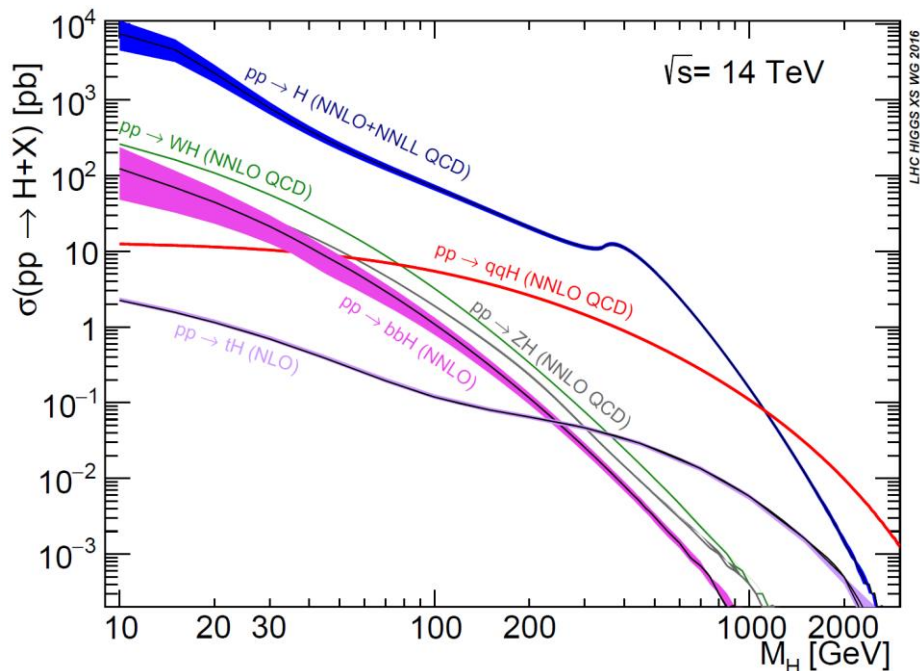
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# Outline

- Introduction to the properties of the Higgs boson
- Measurement of the properties at the ATLAS detector:
  - Mass
  - Spin and parity quantum numbers
  - Couplings
  - Fiducial cross-sections
  - Total decay width
- Conclusion

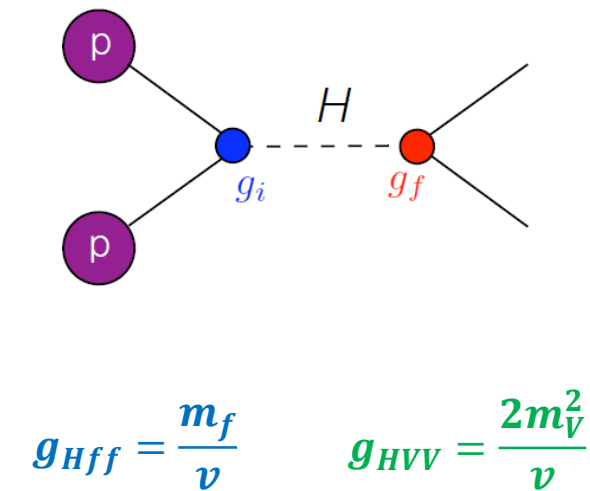
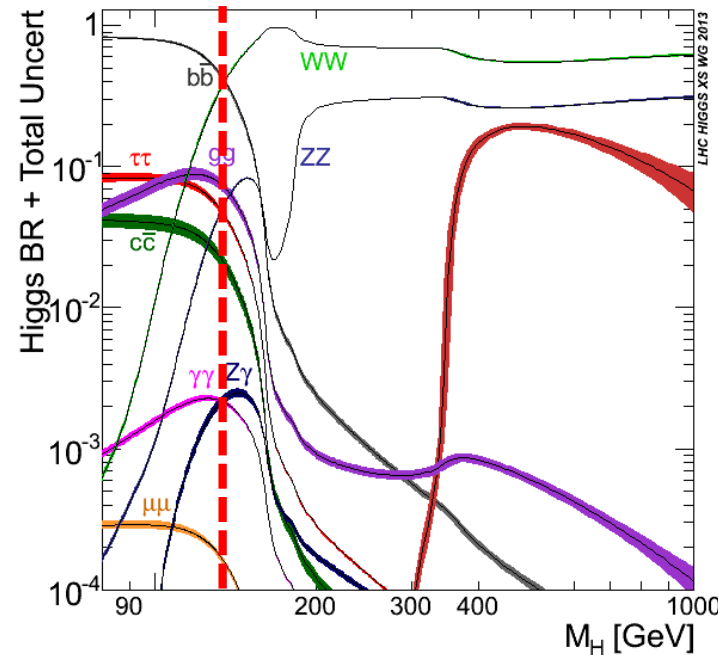
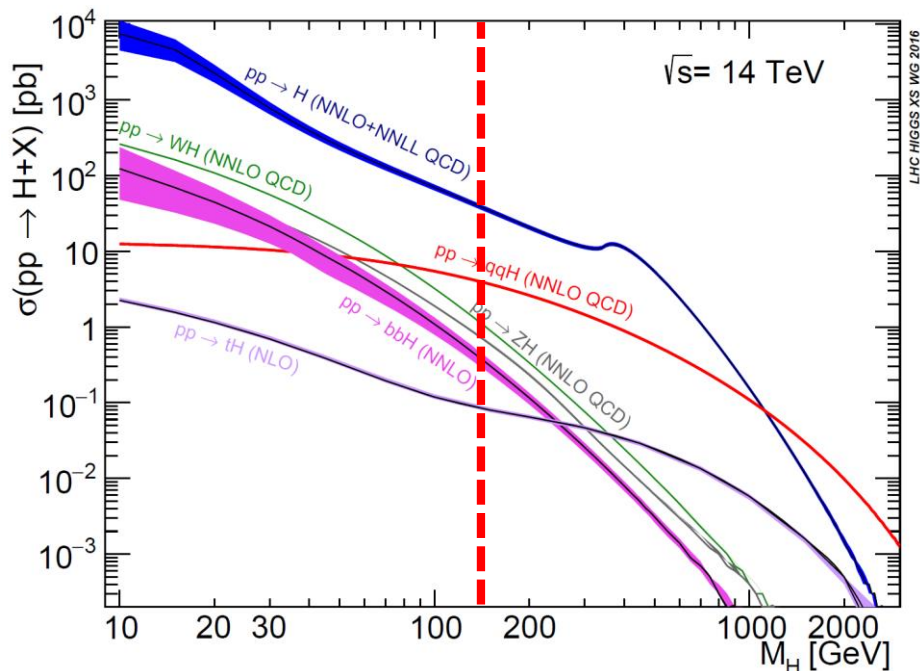
# Standard model before Higgs discovery

- The Standard Model (SM) it's a extremely successful theory that has **19 free parameters** (considering massless neutrinos)
- The **Higgs boson is related to most of them**
  - **masses of the elementary particles** (including the Higgs boson) and their **couplings** to the Higgs boson
  - **Higgs vacuum expectation value (VEV)**



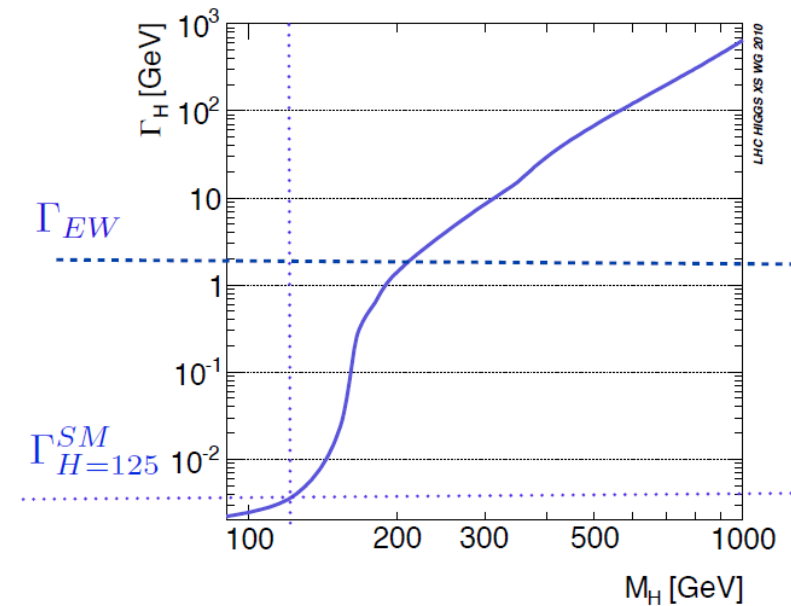
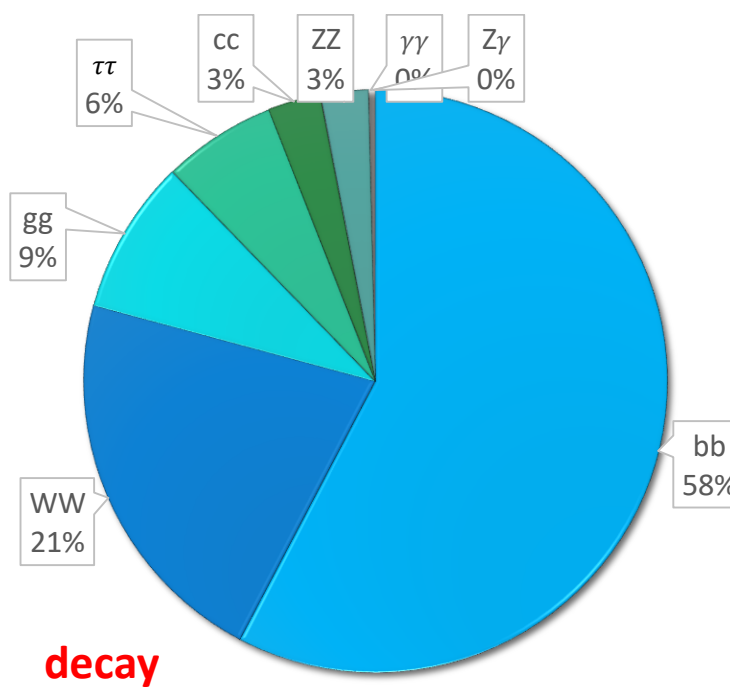
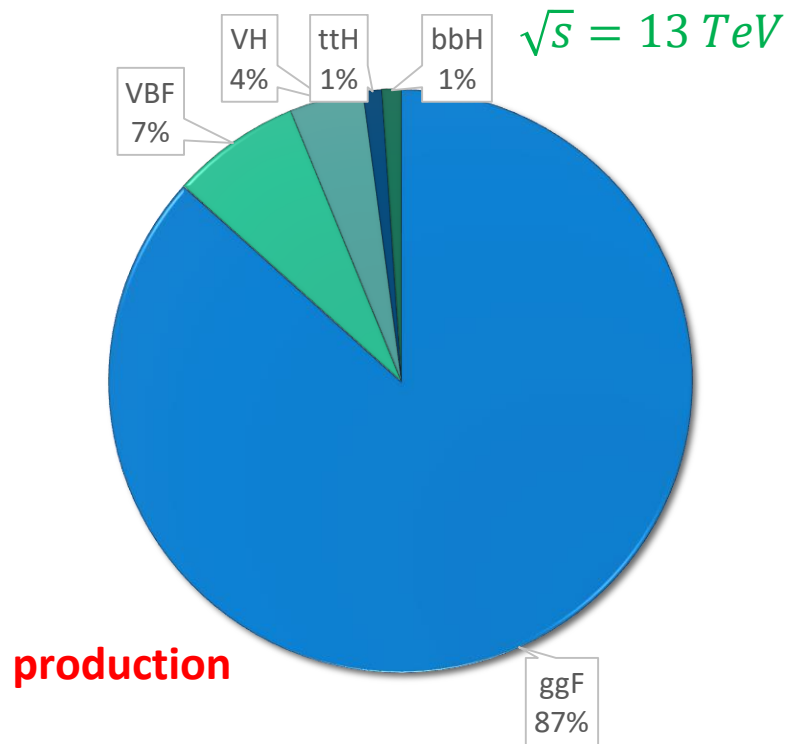
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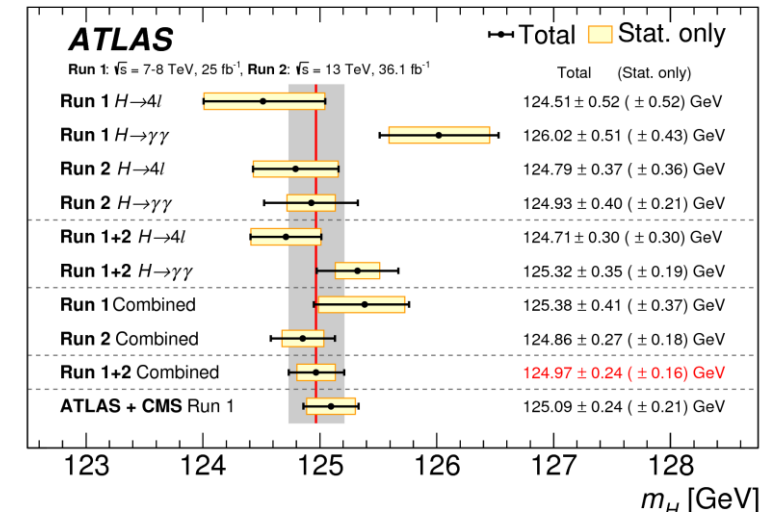
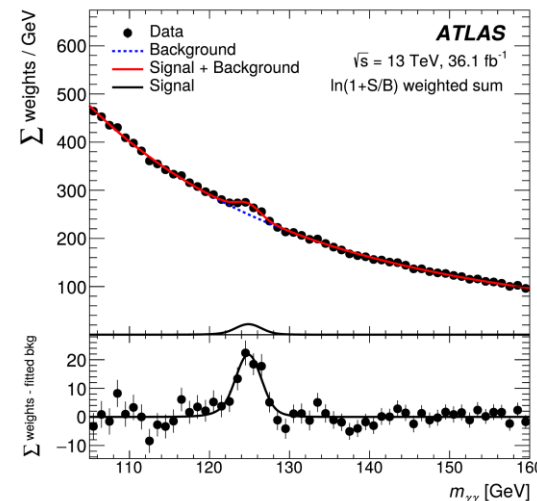
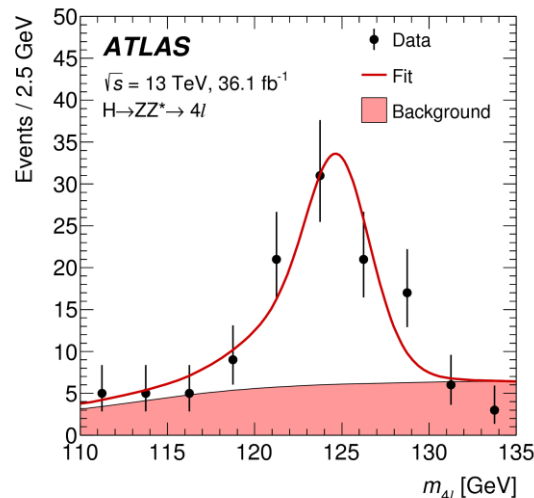
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- **We need to study its properties!**
  - Mass
  - Spin and parity quantum numbers
  - Couplings
  - Total decay width

# Mass

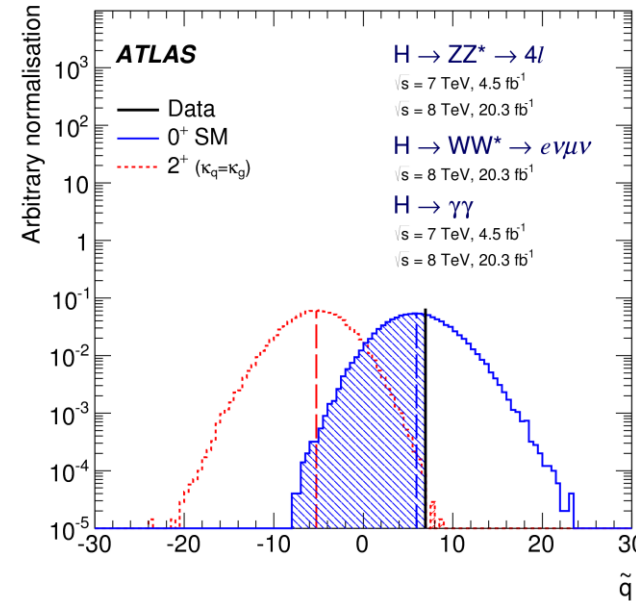
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- ATLAS+CMS latest publication  $20 fb^{-1}$  at  $\sqrt{s} = 7,8 TeV$  (using  $H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4l$  and  $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ ):  **$125.09 \pm 0.21(stat) \pm 0.11(syst) GeV$**
- ATLAS Run1+Run2 latest combination  $36.1 fb^{-1}$  at  $\sqrt{s} = 13 TeV$  (using  $H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4l$  and  $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ ):  **$124.97 \pm 0.16(stat) \pm 0.13(syst) GeV$**
- $m_{4l}$  modeled as the convolution of a relativistic BW distribution of 4.1 MeV width and a peak at the central value
- $m_{\gamma\gamma}$  measured from the position of a narrow resonant peak over a large monotonically decreasing background, which is modelled with a **double-sided Crystal ball function**
- The mass is extracted from a simultaneous profile likelihood fit on both channels

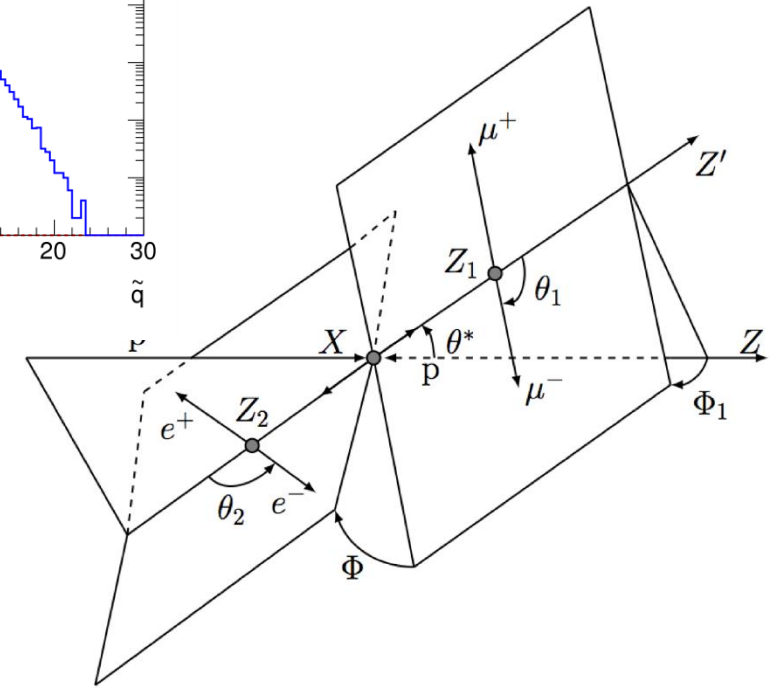


# Spin/CP

- The Standard Model (SM) Higgs boson hypothesis, corresponding to the quantum numbers  $J^P = 0^+$ , was tested against several alternative spin scenarios, including non-SM spin-0 and spin-2 models with universal and non-universal couplings to fermions and vector bosons
- ATLAS combined bosonic channels ( $H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4l$ ,  $H \rightarrow WW^* \rightarrow 2l2\nu$  and  $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ ) **excluded all tested alternative hypothesis in favour of the SM Higgs boson at more than 99.9% confidence level (CL)**
- A first direct test of CP invariance in Higgs boson production via vector-boson fusion (VBF) with the  $H \rightarrow \tau^+\tau^-$  decay channel showed no sign of CP violation
- **Compatible with CMS results**



- ❖ Eur.Phys.J. C75 (2015) no.10, 476
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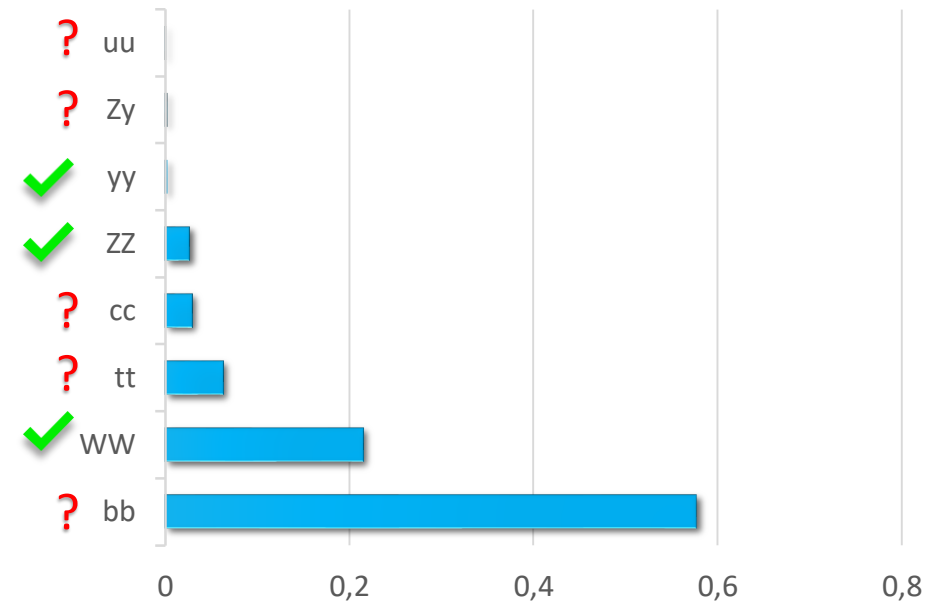




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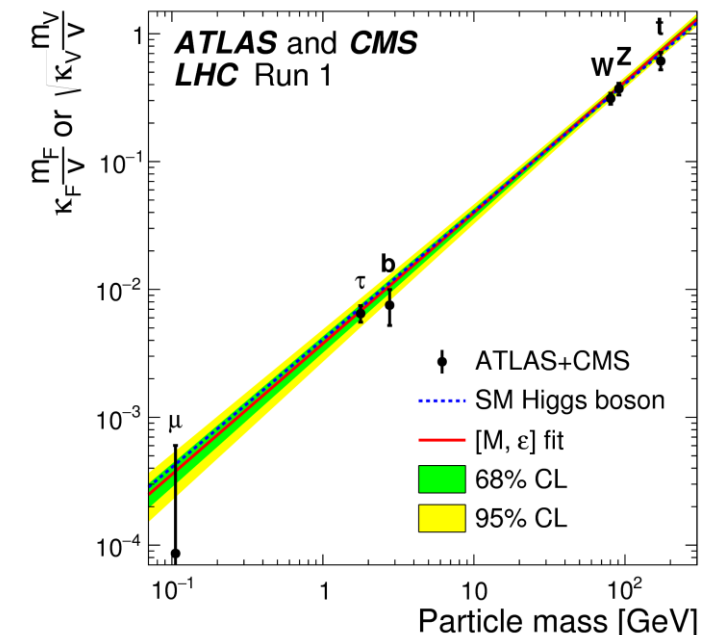


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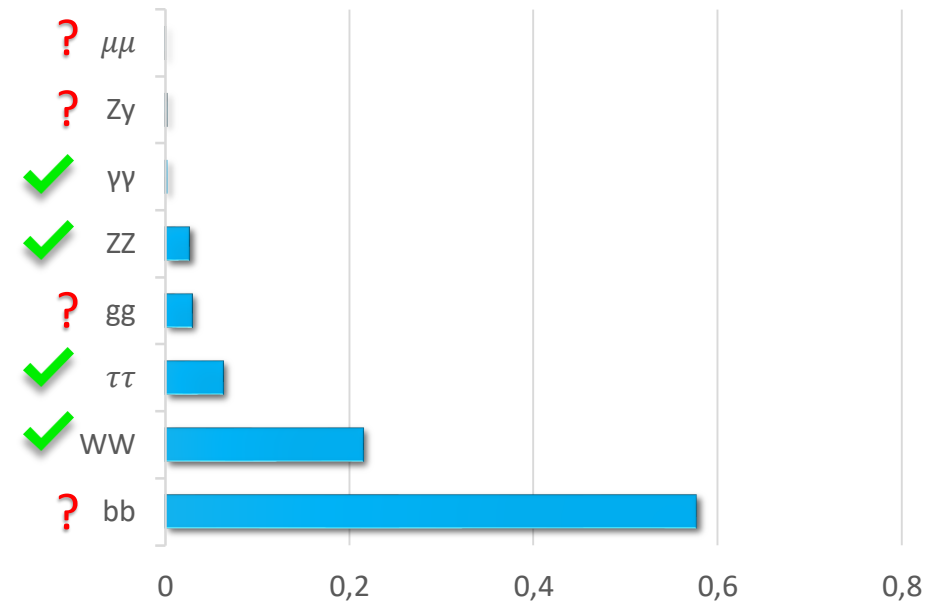


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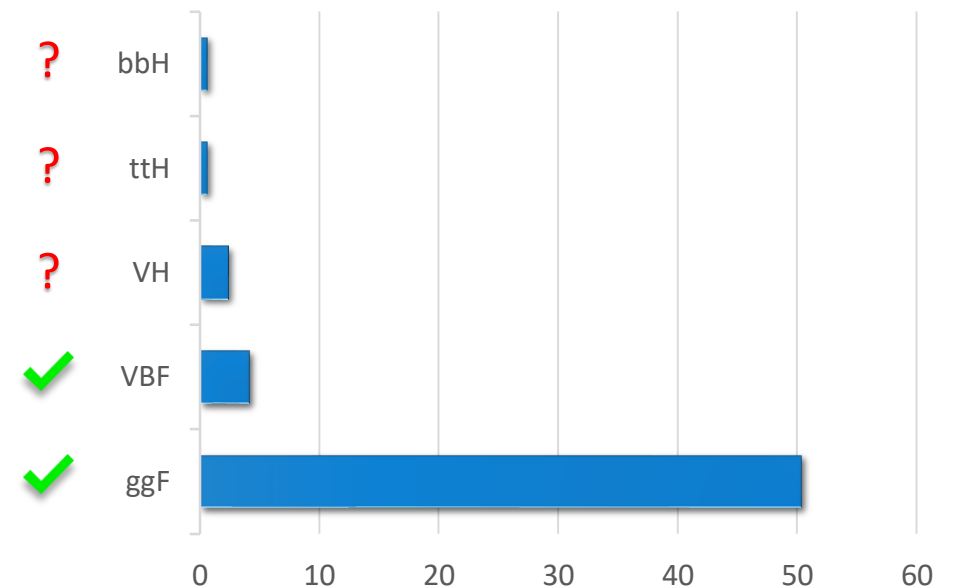


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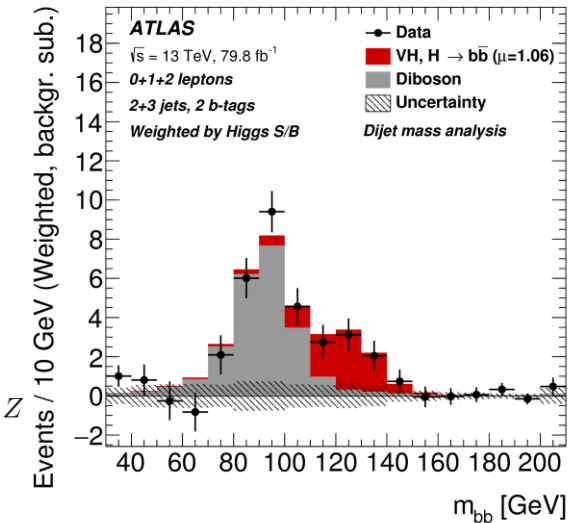
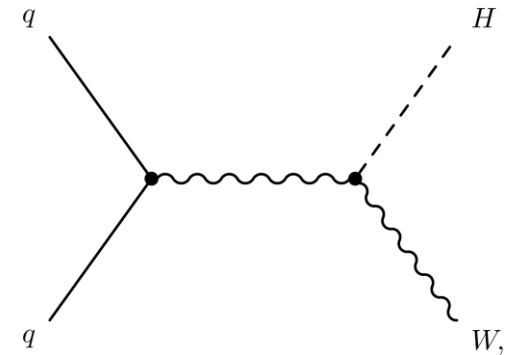
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# Observation of $H \rightarrow bb$ via VH production

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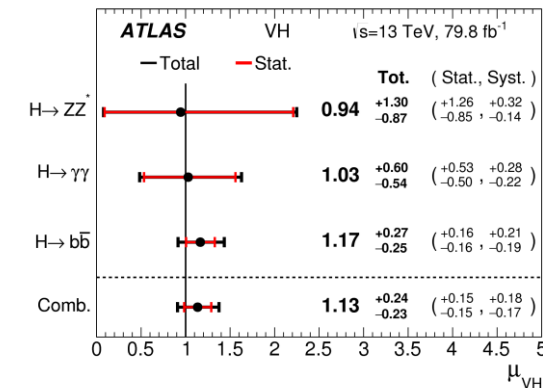
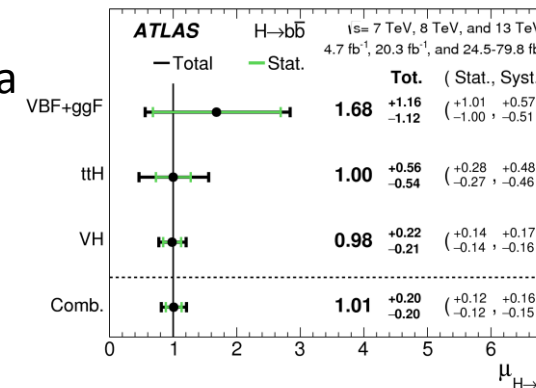
- **Dominant decay of the SM Higgs boson**
- But **large background** from multi-jet production make a ggF search extremely challenging at hadron colliders
- Most sensitive production mode to detect  $H \rightarrow bb$  its via **VH**
- Background: V+jets,  $t\bar{t}$ , single-top and di-boson processes
- Using the vector boson decay to 0,1,2 charged leptons
- Multivariate discriminants are used to maximise the sensitivity
- Output distributions are combined in a maximum-likelihood fit



- Data corresponds to an integrated luminosity of  $79.8 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  at  $\sqrt{s} = 13 \text{ TeV}$  combined with previous analyses
- An **excess over the expected SM background** is observed, with a significance of **5.4 standard deviations**
- **Combined Results consistent with the SM**

$$\mu_{H \rightarrow bb} = 1.01 \pm 0.12(\text{stat})_{-0.15}^{+0.16}(\text{syst}) @95\% \text{ CL}$$

$$\mu_{VH} = 1.13 \pm 0.15(\text{stat})_{-0.17}^{+0.18}(\text{syst}) @95\% \text{ CL}$$

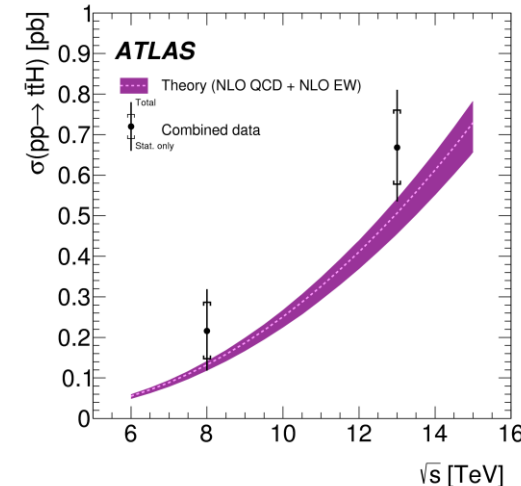
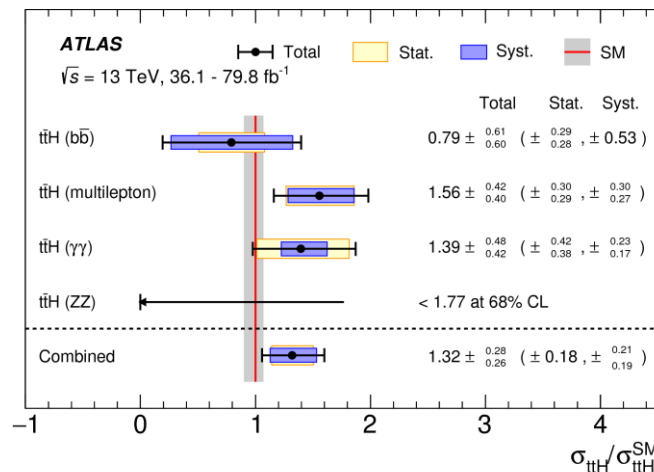
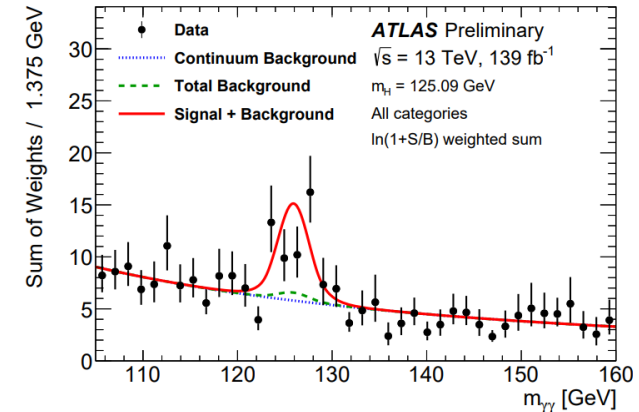
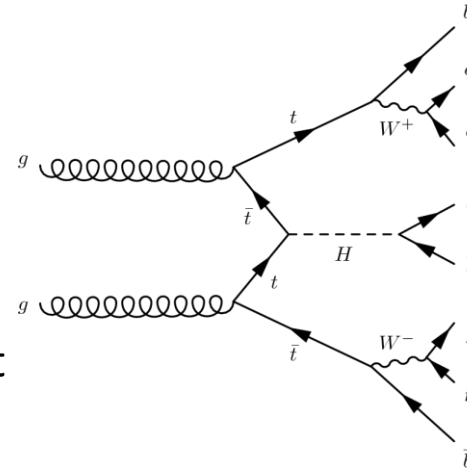


# Observation of $t\bar{t}H$ production

- Particular interest is its coupling to the top quark, the **heaviest particle in the SM**
- The strength of this interaction can be studied through the analysis of top-associated Higgs production ( $t\bar{t}H$ ) events, which provides a **tree-level probe** of the top Yukawa coupling
- Channels considered:  $b\bar{b}$ ,  $WW^*$ ,  $\tau^+\tau^-$ ,  $\gamma\gamma$  and  $ZZ^*$
- Output distributions are combined in a maximum-likelihood fit
- Data corresponds to an integrated luminosity of  $79.8 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  at  $\sqrt{s} = 13 \text{ TeV}$  combined with previous analyses
- An **excess over the expected SM background is observed**, with a significance of **6.3 standard deviations**
- Updated result** for the  $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$  channel with updated photon identification and jet calibration with **4.9 standard deviation**
- Results consistent with the SM**

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❖ <https://cds.cern.ch/record/2665291/files/ATLAS-COM-CONF-2019-004.pdf>



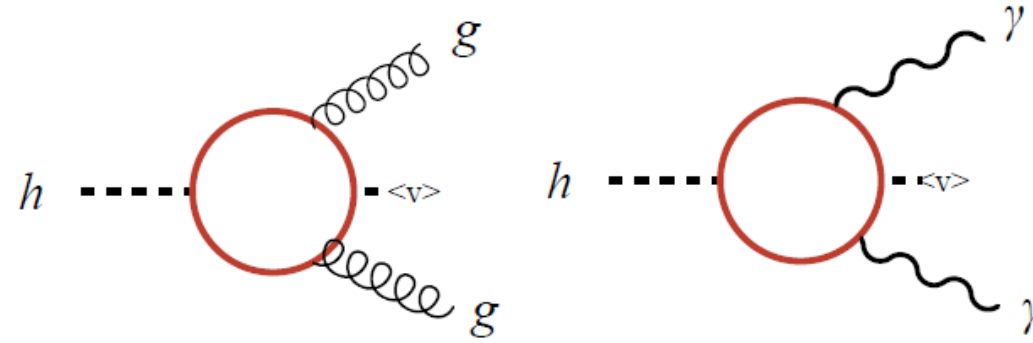
$$\sigma_{ttH}(13 \text{ TeV}) = 670 \pm 90(\text{stat})_{-100}^{+110}(\text{syst}) @95\% \text{ CL}$$

# $\kappa$ framework

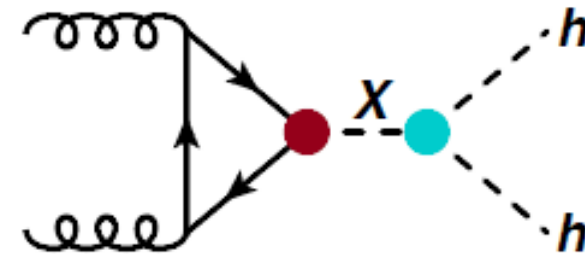
- **We want to probe deviations** (indirect or direct) from the SM rates through coupling strength modifiers in a leading-order tree level motivated framework ( $\kappa$  framework)

$$g_{Hff} = \kappa_f \cdot g_{Hff}^{SM} = \kappa_f \cdot \frac{m_f}{v}$$

$$g_{HVV} = \kappa_V \cdot g_{HVV}^{SM} = \kappa_V \cdot \frac{2m_V^2}{v}$$



Indirect new physics might modify production and/or decay coupling



Direct new physics might modify both couplings too

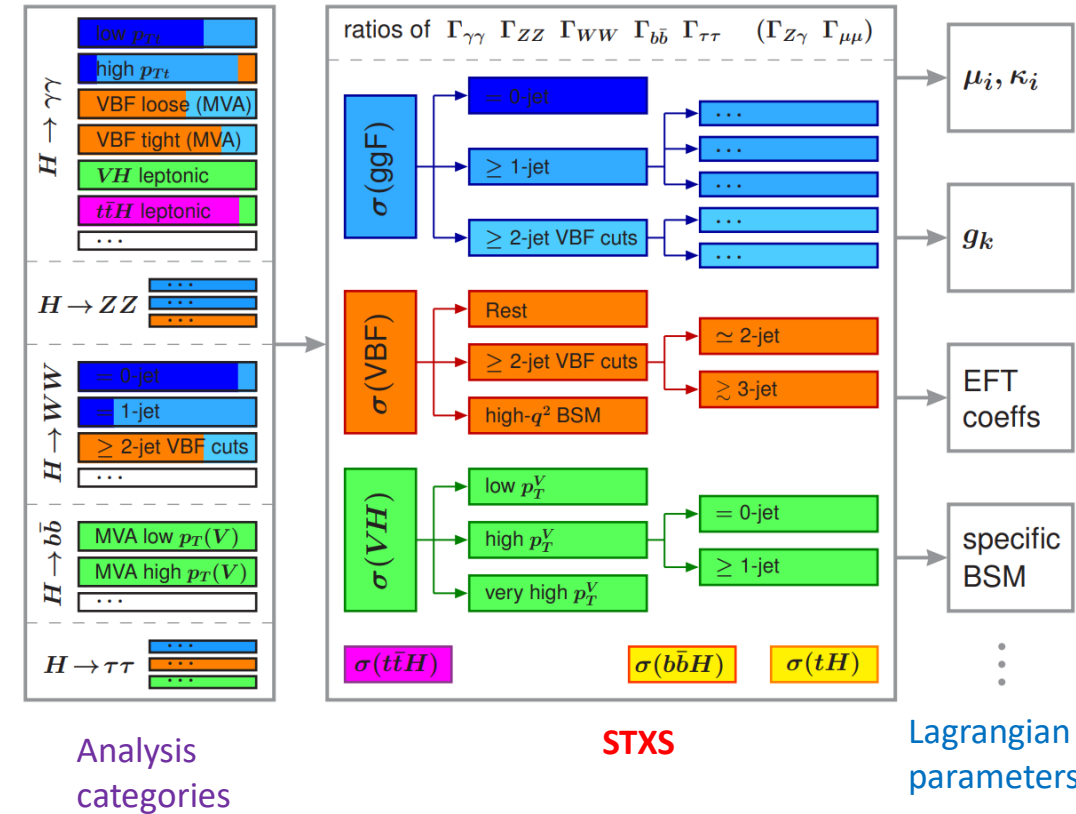
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# Simplified template cross sections

❖ <https://cds.cern.ch/record/2669925>

- **Simplified Template Cross Sections (STXS)** have been adopted by the LHC experiments as an evolution of the signal strength measurements performed during the first LHC Run
- They provide **more fine-grained measurements** for individual Higgs production modes in various kinematic regions, and **reduce the theoretical uncertainties** that are directly folded into the measurements
- They allow for the use of multivariate analysis techniques and provide a common framework for the combination of measurements in different decay channels and eventually between experiments
- Currently, STXS measurements are available in **all five major Higgs** decay channels, namely  $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ ,  $H \rightarrow ZZ^* \rightarrow 4\ell$ ,  $H \rightarrow WW^* \rightarrow 2\ell 2\nu$ ,  $H \rightarrow \tau^+\tau^-$  and  $H \rightarrow b^+b^-$
- Both individual and combined STXS measurements can then be used as **inputs for subsequent interpretations in BSM**. This can be the determination of overall signal strengths or coupling scale factors, SMEFT coefficients, or tests of specific BSM models



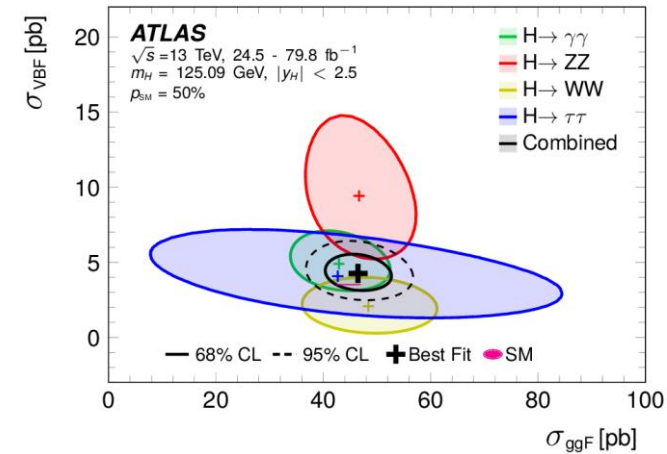


# ATLAS coupling combination

❖ CERN-EP-2019-097

- Decay channels considered:  $b\bar{b}$ ,  $WW^*$ ,  $\tau^+\tau^-$ ,  $\gamma\gamma$ ,  $\mu^+\mu^-$  and  $ZZ^*$
- Production channels considered: ggF, VBF, VH,  $t\bar{t}H$ ,  $tH$
- Invisible Higgs decays and off-shell production are included
- Data corresponds to an integrated luminosity of  $79.8 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  at  $\sqrt{s} = 13 \text{ TeV}$
- All channels (except for  $\mu^+\mu^-$  and  $b\bar{b}$ ) uses STXS
- Observed (expected) significance for VBF process of  $6.5\sigma$  ( $5.3\sigma$ )
- Observed (expected) significance for VH process of  $5.3\sigma$  ( $4.7\sigma$ )
- Observed (expected) significance for  $t\bar{t}H + tH$  process of  $5.8\sigma$  ( $5.3\sigma$ )
- Measurements in kinematic regions defined within the STXS framework are also shown
- No significant deviations from SM predictions are observed**

$$\mu_{global} = 1.11^{+0.09}_{-0.08} @95\% CL$$



ATLAS	Total	Stat.	Syst.
$\sqrt{s} = 13 \text{ TeV}, 36.1 - 79.8 \text{ fb}^{-1}$	0.86	+0.14	+0.12 -0.07
$m_H = 125.09 \text{ GeV},  y_H  < 2.5$	0.63	-0.12	(-0.11, -0.09)
$\rho_{SM} = 89\%$	0.86	-0.28	(-0.22, -0.22)
$B_{\tau\tau}/B_{ZZ}$	0.86	-0.43	(-0.37, -0.23)
$B_{WW}/B_{ZZ}$	0.86	-0.18	(-0.13, -0.12)
$B_{b\bar{b}}/B_{ZZ}$	0.87	-0.29	(-0.22, -0.19)
$B_{\tau\tau}/B_{ZZ}$	0.87	-0.24	(-0.19, -0.14)

Production Channel	Total	Stat.	Syst.
0-jet	1.29	-0.18	(-0.16, +0.05)
1-jet, $p_T^j < 60 \text{ GeV}$	0.57	-0.17	(-0.15, -0.08)
1-jet, $60 \leq p_T^j < 120 \text{ GeV}$	0.87	-0.41	(-0.35, -0.22)
1-jet, $120 \leq p_T^j < 200 \text{ GeV}$	1.30	-0.38	(-0.33, -0.15)
$\geq 2$ -jet, $p_T^j < 200 \text{ GeV}$	1.01	-0.72	(-0.65, -0.32)
$\geq 1$ -jet, $p_T^j \geq 200 \text{ GeV}$	2.05	-1.11	(-0.56, +0.32)

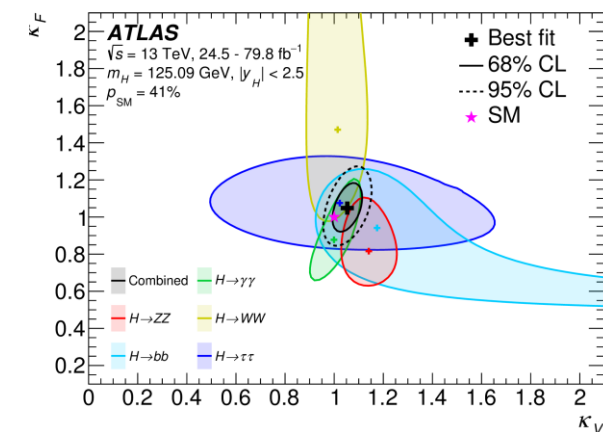
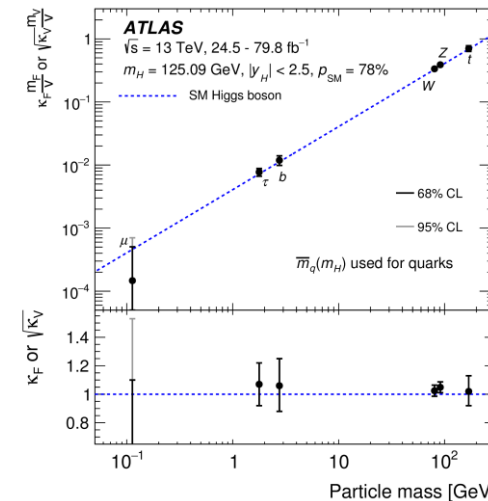
Production Channel	Total	Stat.	Syst.
VBF topo + Rest	1.57	-0.45	(-0.36, +0.27)
VH topo	-0.12	-1.35	(-1.31, -0.21)
$p_T^j \geq 200 \text{ GeV}$	-0.95	-1.51	(-1.11, -0.24)
$p_T^j \geq 200 \text{ GeV}$	1.91	-2.32	(-1.48, -0.72)

Production Channel	Total	Stat.	Syst.
$p_T^j < 250 \text{ GeV}$	2.28	+1.24	(+1.02, +0.71)
$p_T^j \geq 250 \text{ GeV}$	1.91	-1.01	(-0.85, -0.55)
$p_T^j < 150 \text{ GeV}$	0.85	-1.28	(-1.11, -0.69)
$150 \leq p_T^j < 250 \text{ GeV}$	0.86	-1.13	(-0.90, -0.70)
$p_T^j \geq 250 \text{ GeV}$	12.92	-3.03	(-1.87, -2.38)

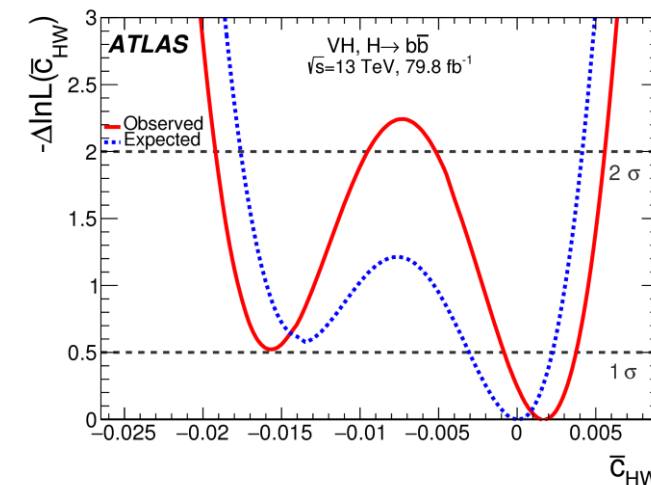
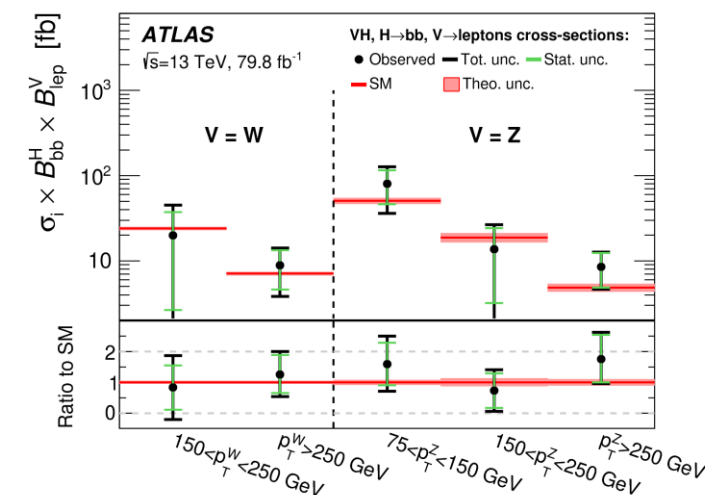
Production Channel	Total	Stat.	Syst.
$(t\bar{t}H + tH) \times B_{ZZ}$	1.44	-0.39	(-0.30, +0.24)
		-0.33	(-0.27, -0.19)



# Fiducial cross-section $H \rightarrow bb$ via VH production

❖ JHEP 1905 (2019) 141

- Measurements are defined as a function of the vector-boson transverse momentum  $p_T^V$
- The measurements are performed in kinematic fiducial volumes defined in the STXS framework
- Multivariate discriminants are used to maximise the sensitivity
- Measurements are performed for two different choices of the number of  $p_T^V$  intervals
- Data corresponds to an integrated luminosity of  $79.8 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  at  $\sqrt{s} = 13 \text{ TeV}$
- All measurements are found to be in agreement with the SM** even in high  $p_T^V$  (> 250 GeV) regions that are most sensitive to enhancements from potential anomalous interactions between the Higgs boson and the electroweak gauge bosons
- Limits are set on the parameters of an effective Lagrangian (Strongly interacting light Higgs formulation D=6) sensitive to modifications of the Higgs boson couplings to the electroweak gauge bosons



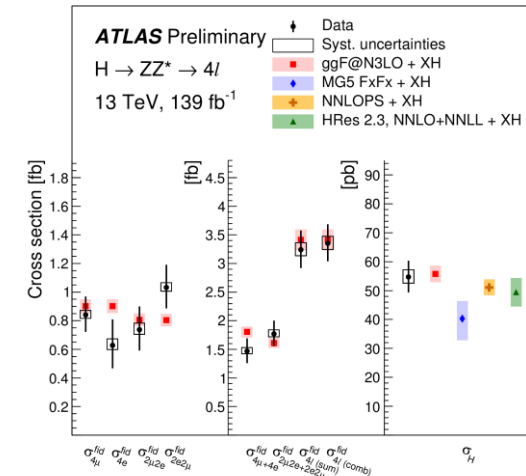
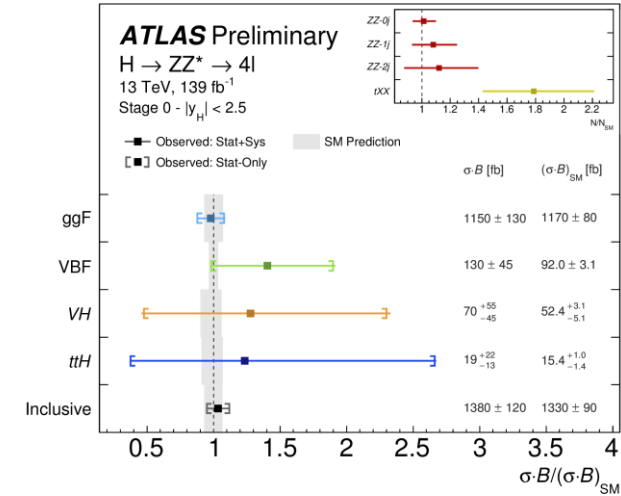
# Fiducial and production cross-section $H \rightarrow ZZ^*$

- **Four types of measurements are reported:** inclusive and differential cross sections are measured in the fiducial phase space, cross sections within the Higgs boson rapidity  $|y_H| = 2.5$  of production modes both inclusively and in several exclusive regions
- The measurements are performed in kinematic fiducial volumes defined in the STXS framework
- Production channels considered: ggF, VBF, VH,  $t\bar{t}H$ ,  $tH$
- Neural-Network (NN) discriminants are used to maximise the sensitivity
- Data corresponds to an integrated luminosity of  $139 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  at  $\sqrt{s} = 13 \text{ TeV}$
- Differential cross sections defined in a fiducial region are measured as a function of the transverse momentum  $p_T^{4l}$  and the number of jets  $N_{jets}$
- **All measurements are in agreement with the SM prediction** ( $\sigma_{fid,SM} = 3.41 \pm 0.18$ )

$$\sigma_{fid} = 3.35 \pm 0.30(stat) \pm 0.12(syst) \text{ fb @95\% CL}$$

$$\sigma_{ggF} = 1.15 \pm 0.13 \text{ pb @95\% CL}$$

$$\sigma_{VBF} = 0.13 \pm 0.04 \text{ pb @95\% CL}$$

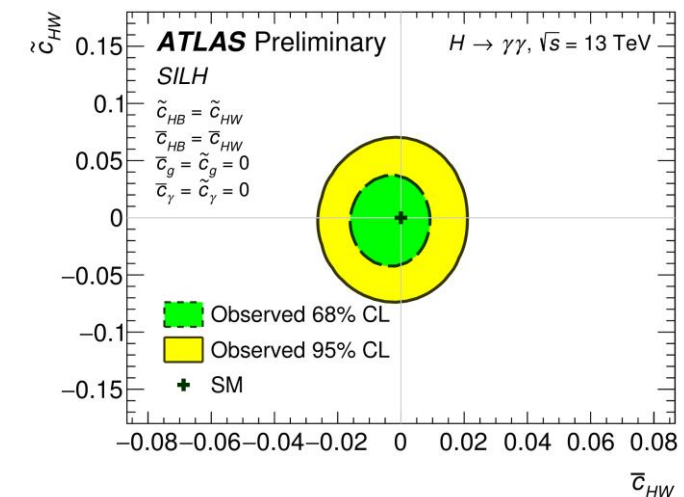
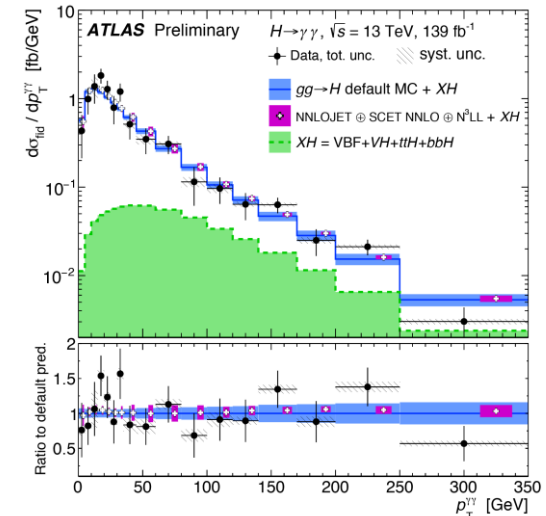


# Fiducial cross-section $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$

❖ <http://cdsweb.cern.ch/record/2682800/files/ATLAS-CONF-2019-029.pdf>

- The diphoton cross section is measured in a fiducial region that follows closely the experimental reconstructed signature
- The measurements are performed in kinematic fiducial volumes defined in the STXS framework
- Production channels considered: ggF, VBF, VH,  $t\bar{t}H$ ,  $tH$
- Data corresponds to an integrated luminosity of  $139 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  at  $\sqrt{s} = 13 \text{ TeV}$
- Differential cross sections as a function of different observables sensitive to the Higgs boson production kinematics, the jet kinematics, the CP quantum numbers of the Higgs boson, and the VBF production mechanism are reported and compared to several theoretical predictions.
- **No significant new physics contributions are observed** from the study of two effective field lagrangians (EFT) based on SILH and the Warsaw basis of the SMEFT formalism
- Differential cross-section as a function the  $p_T$  of the diphoton system is used to probe the charm Yukawa coupling of the Higgs boson
- **All measurements are in agreement with the SM prediction**

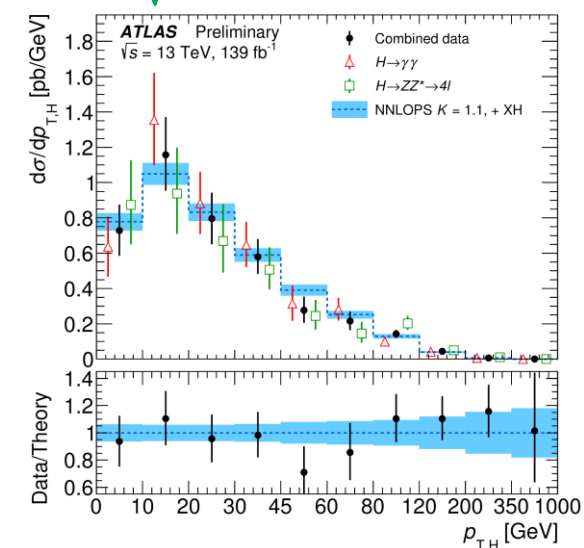
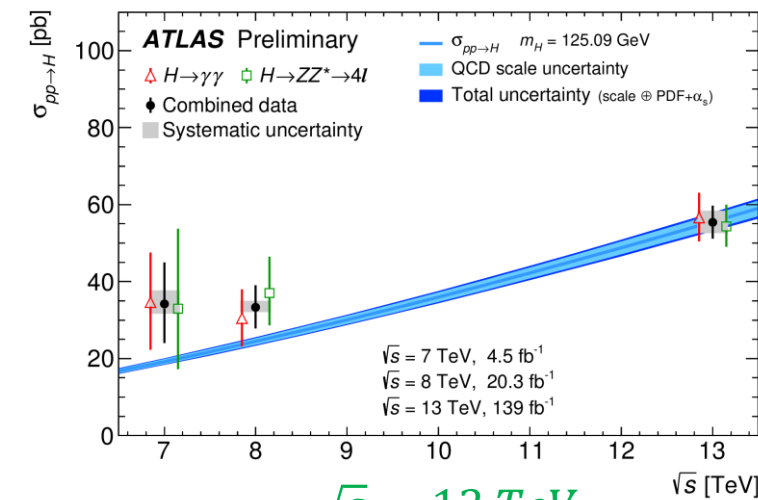
$$\sigma_{fid} = 65.2 \pm 4.5(stat) \pm 5.6(syst) \pm 0.3(theo) \text{ fb @95\% CL}$$



# Cross-section $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ and $H \rightarrow ZZ^*$ combination

- Combined measurements of the total and differential cross sections of Higgs boson production on the named channels
- Corrections are applied to these yields accounting for luminosity, detector effects, fiducial acceptances, and branching fractions
- Production channels considered: ggF, VBF, VH,  $t\bar{t}H$ ,  $tH$ ,  $b\bar{b}H$
- Data corresponds to an integrated luminosity of  $139 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  at  $\sqrt{s} = 13 \text{ TeV}$
- Combined measurements are compatible with the SM predictions**
- Differential cross sections are calculated as a function of  $p_{T,H}$  for the individual channels and their combination, **being compatible with the SM predictions and between each other**

$$\sigma = 55.4_{-4.2}^{+4.3} \text{ pb @95\% CL}$$



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# Search for $H \rightarrow \mu\mu$ (+ $H \rightarrow ee$ )

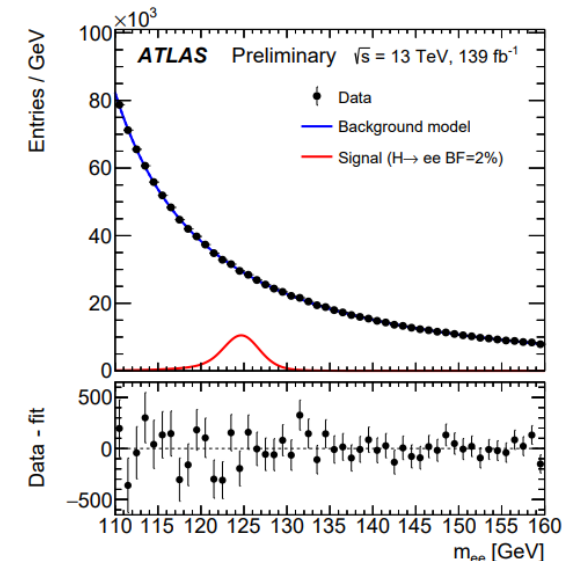
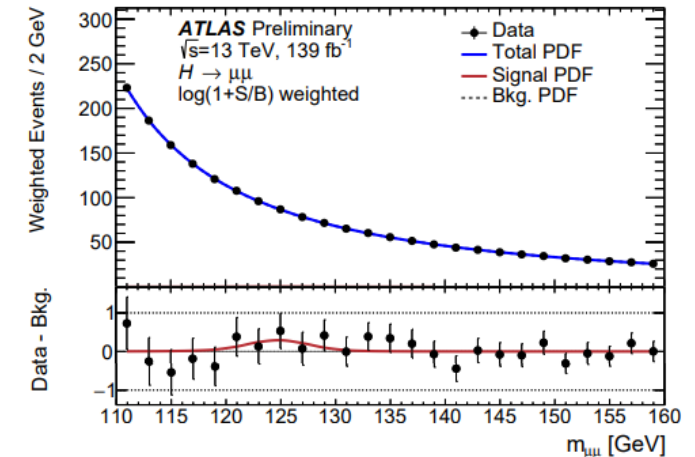
- Searching for **leptonic final states** probes the structure of the Yukawa sector of the SM
- **SM  $B(H \rightarrow ee)$  is far below LHC sensitivity** (SM BF:  $5 \times 10^{-9}$ ), but SM  $B(H \rightarrow \mu\mu)$  has great chances (SM BF:  $2.2 \times 10^{-4}$ )
- Analysis selects events with two opposite-charge muons and classifies them into eight mutually exclusive categories
- Two categories are defined using a multivariate discriminant to provide good sensitivity to the vector-boson fusion (VBF) process. Events failing the VBF selection are sorted into ggF categories
- Dominant background Drell-Yan  $Z/\gamma^* \rightarrow \mu\mu$
- Data corresponds to an integrated luminosity of  $139 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  at  $\sqrt{s} = 13 \text{ TeV}$
- Fit uses the range  $m_{\mu\mu} = [120, 130] \text{ GeV}$
- **No significant excess over the expected SM background is observed**
- Upper limit calculated (compatible with the SM)

$$B(H \rightarrow \mu\mu) < 3.8 \cdot 10^{-4} \text{ @95\% CL}$$

$$B(H \rightarrow ee) < 3.5 \cdot 10^{-4} \text{ @95\% CL}$$

❖ <https://cds.cern.ch/record/2682155/files/ATLAS-CONF-2019-028.pdf>

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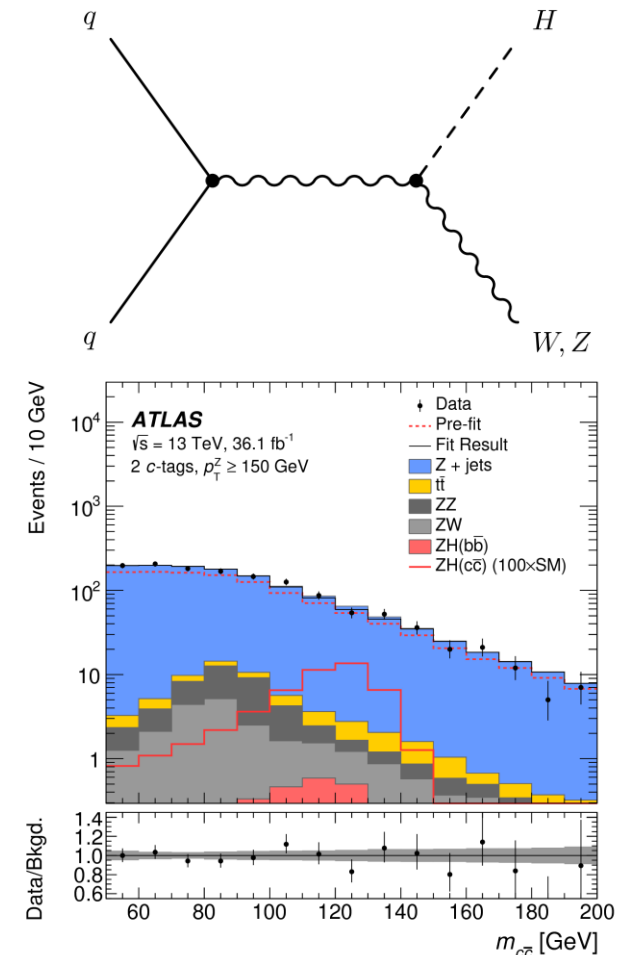
# Search for $H \rightarrow cc$ via ZH production

- Measurements of the **Yukawa coupling of the Higgs boson to quarks in generations other than the third are difficult at hadron colliders**, due to small branching fractions, large backgrounds, and challenges in jet flavor identification
- An alternative approach is introduced to investigate the  $H \rightarrow cc$  coupling by requiring the reconstruction of the invariant mass of the Z boson from 2 leptons and the di-jet requiring at least one c-quark
- Main backgrounds: Z+jets,  $t\bar{t}$ , ZV
- Data corresponds to an integrated luminosity of  $36.1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  at  $\sqrt{s} = 13 \text{ TeV}$
- No **excess over the expected SM background is observed**
- Upper limit ~100 times higher than SM hypothesis** (previous analysis reached an upper limit of ~500 times higher than the SM hypothesis)

$$\sigma_{ZH} \times B(H \rightarrow cc) < 2.7 \text{ pb @95\% CL}$$

$$\mu_{H \rightarrow cc} < 110 \text{ @95\% CL}$$

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# Invisible Higgs boson decays

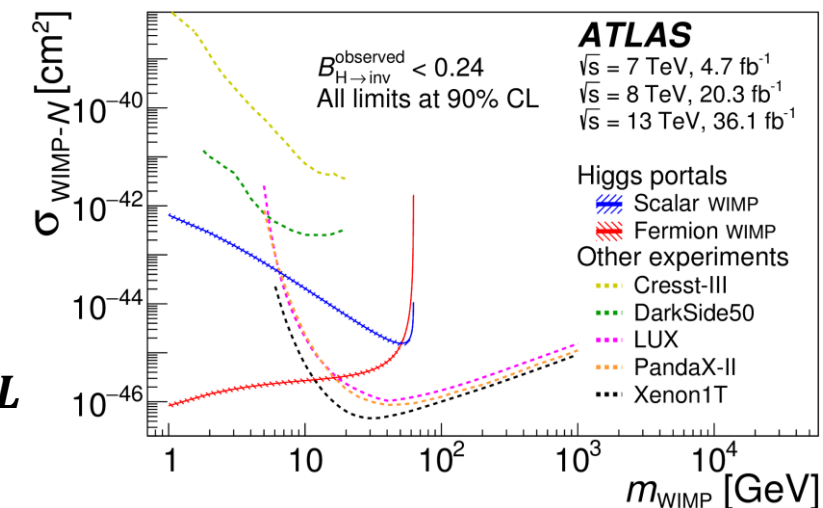
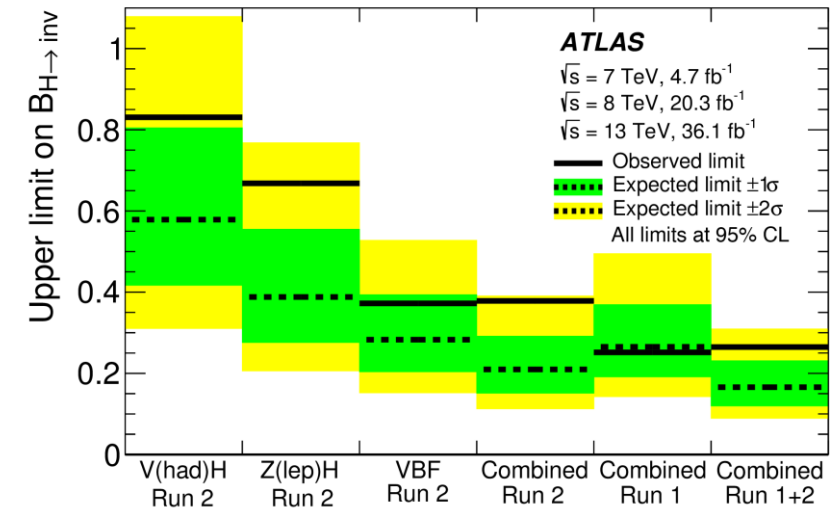
- Numerous models predict detectable production rates of such **Dark Matter (DM)** particles at the Large Hadron Collider (LHC)
- In a wide class of those models, the Higgs boson acts as a portal between a dark sector and the SM sector, either through **Yukawa-type couplings to fermionic dark matter**, or other mechanisms
- Higgs boson decays to DM particles can only be indirectly inferred through **missing transverse momentum (MET)** due to DM particles escaping detection, and are therefore termed “invisible”
- Production channels considered:  $VBF$  and  $VH(Z_{lep}H$  and  $V_{had}H)$
- Output distributions are combined in a maximum-likelihood fit
- Data corresponds to an integrated luminosity of  $36.1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$  at  $\sqrt{s} = 13 \text{ TeV}$  combined with previous analyses
- Under the assumption that the Higgs (effective model) decays to a pair of scalar or fermion weakly interactive massive particle (WIMP) using a nuclear interaction

$$B(H \rightarrow inv) < 0.26 \text{ @95\%CL}$$

$$\sigma_{WIMP-N}(scalar) > 2 \times 10^{-45} \text{ cm}^2 \text{ @90\%CL}$$

$$\sigma_{WIMP-N}(fermion) > 10^{-46} \text{ cm}^2 \text{ @90\%CL}$$

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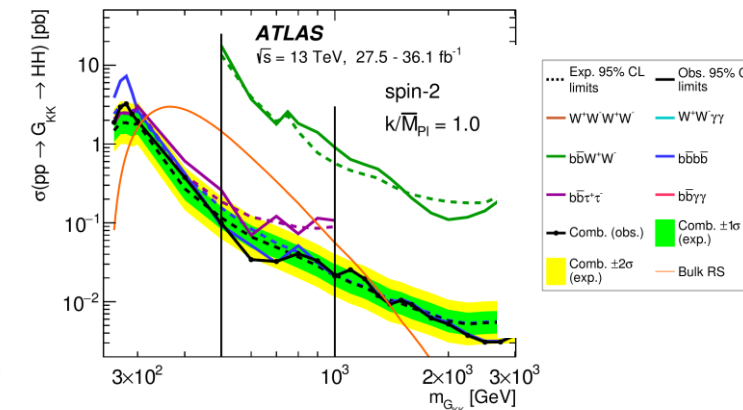
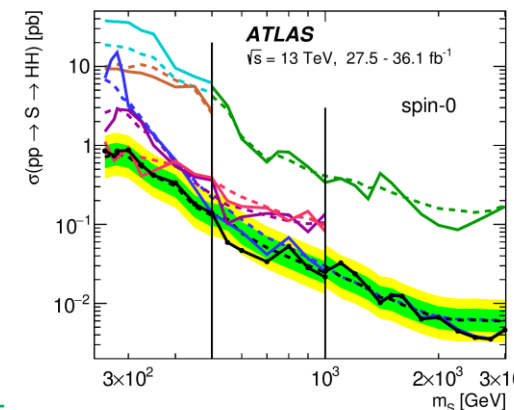
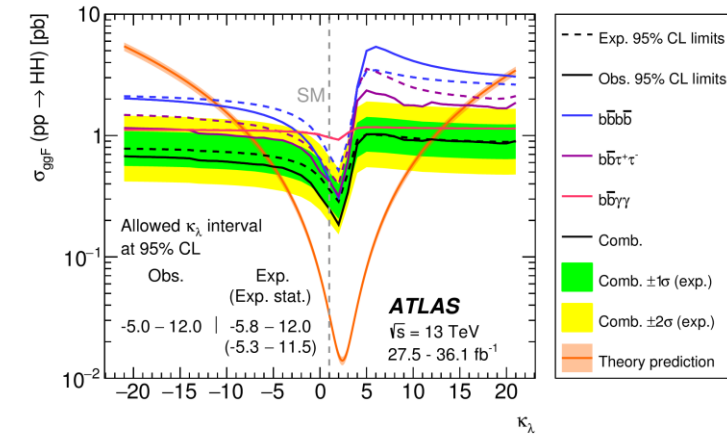
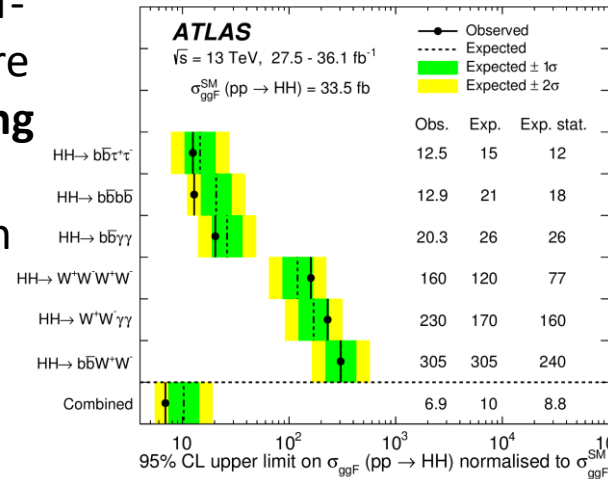


# di-Higgs production (self-coupling)

❖ CERN-EP-2019-099

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- But the SM di-Higgs cross-section is **much smaller** than those from single SM Higgs production
- Combination of:  $b\bar{b}b\bar{b}$ ,  $b\bar{b}W^+W^-$ ,  $b\bar{b}\tau^+\tau^-$ ,  $W^+W^-W^+W^-$ ,  $b\bar{b}\gamma\gamma$  and  $W^+W^-\gamma\gamma$
- Data corresponds to an integrated luminosity of  $36.1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$
- No statistically significant excess of events above the SM predictions is found**
- For the SM hypothesis, the observed 95% CL upper limit on the ggF cross-section is  $6.9 \times \text{SM prediction}$ , with its coupling defined  $-5.0 < \kappa_\lambda < 12.0$  at 95% CL
- Since the combination there were 2 new results

❖ <https://cds.cern.ch/record/2682801> ❖ <https://arxiv.org/abs/1908.06765>



# Higgs off-shell coupling (width)

- The SM Higgs boson has an **extremely narrow total width** ( $\sim 4$  MeV) because its main decay channel (b-quark) has a small mass compared to the EW scale

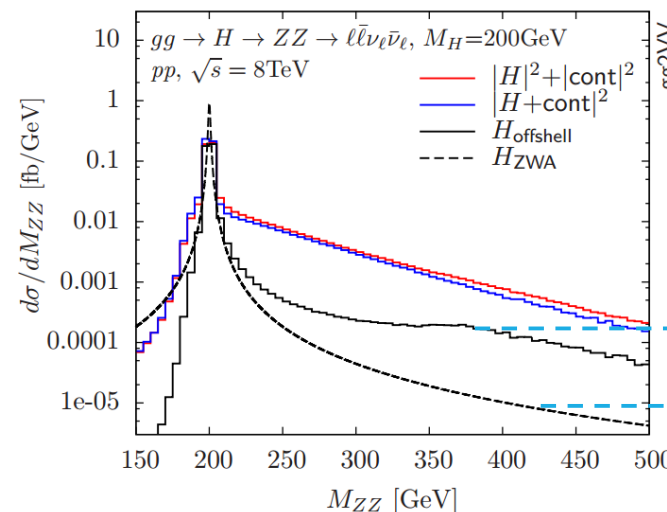
$$\Gamma_H \sim \left(\frac{m_b^2}{m_{EW}^2}\right)\Gamma_{EW}$$

- The **direct method** to measure the Higgs width is by taking the error of the invariant mass shape fitted by a BW curve, but there is not enough experimental resolution at the LHC ( $\sim$ GeV)

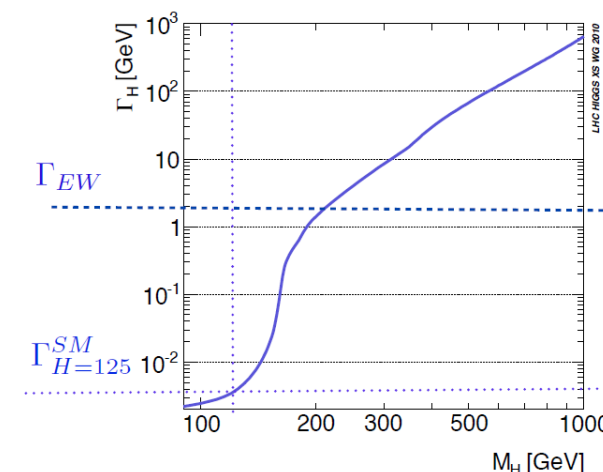
$$\Delta t \times \Delta m \sim \frac{h}{2\pi} \longrightarrow \frac{h/2\pi}{\Gamma} \times \Delta m \sim \frac{h}{2\pi} \longrightarrow \Delta m \sim \Gamma$$

- A novel method to constraint the total width by using the  $H \rightarrow VV$  **off-shell events** ( $\sim$ 20% of the total events), and assuming the same off- and on-shell coupling

$$\sigma_{on} \sim \frac{\kappa_{gg \rightarrow H}^2 \cdot \kappa_{H \rightarrow VV}^2}{\Gamma_H^2} \quad \sigma_{off} \sim \kappa_{gg \rightarrow H}^2 \cdot \kappa_{H \rightarrow VV}^2 \longrightarrow \Gamma_H \sim \frac{\sigma_{off}}{\sigma_{on}}$$



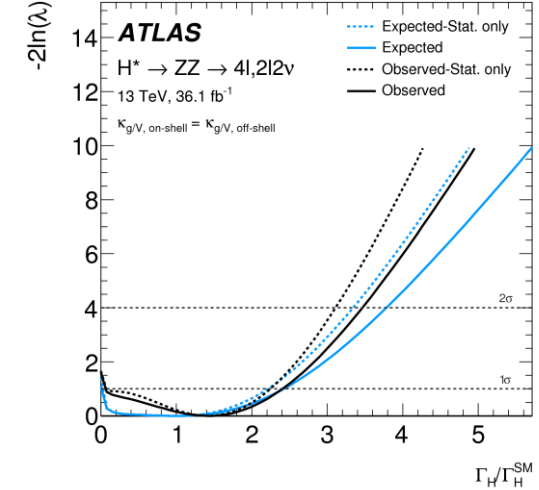
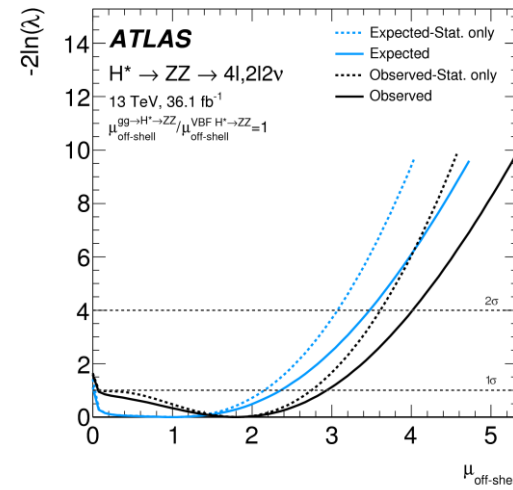
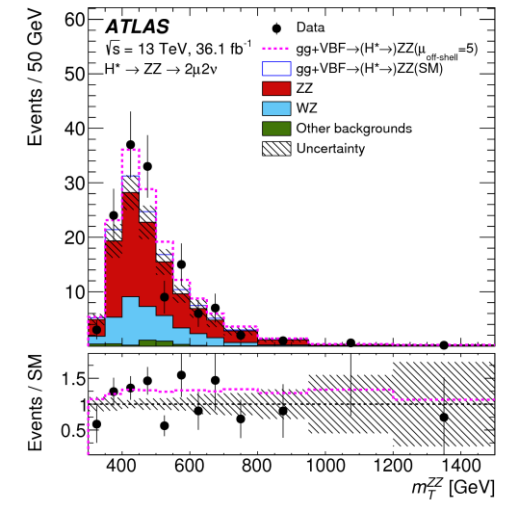
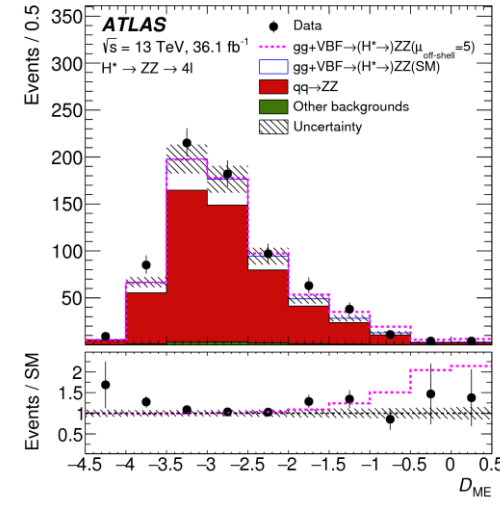
Particle	Width[MeV]	Lifetime[s]
$t$	$\sim 1,300$	$\sim 5 \times 10^{-25}$
$W$	$\sim 2,000$	$\sim 3 \times 10^{-25}$
$Z$	$\sim 2,500$	$\sim 2.6 \times 10^{-25}$
$h$	$4.21 \pm 0.16$	$\sim 1.65 \times 10^{-22}$
$b$	$4.4 \times 10^{-10}$	$\sim 1.5 \times 10^{-12}$



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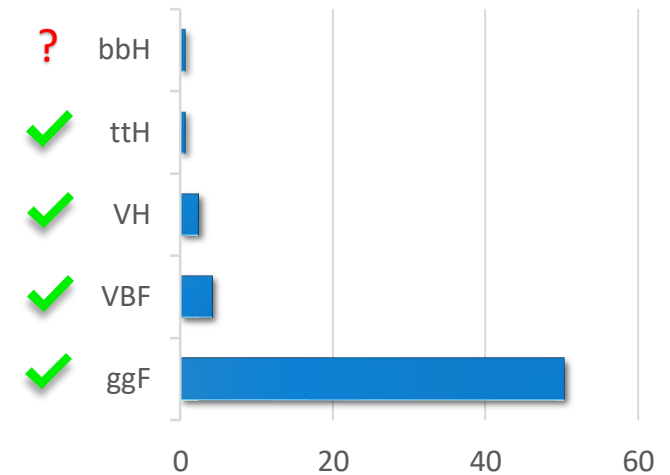
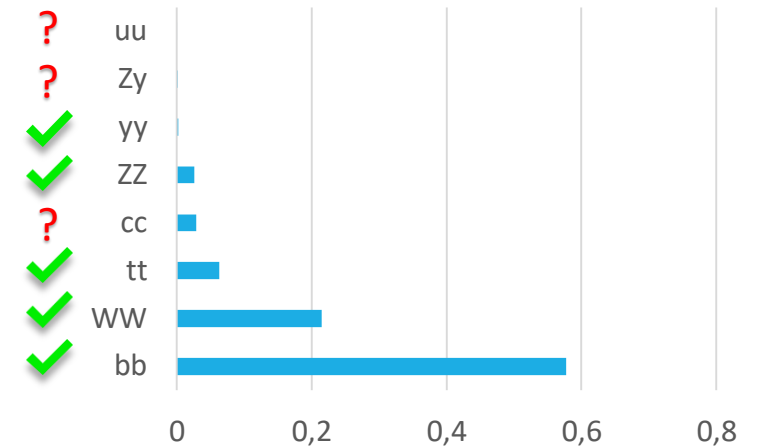
- Off-shell production can provide **sensitivity for new physics** that alters the interaction between the Higgs boson and other fundamental particles
- Analysis region:  $220 < m_{4l} < 2000$  GeV
- Decay channels:  $ZZ \rightarrow 4l$  and  $ZZ \rightarrow 2l2\nu$  (ggF and VBF)
- Data corresponds to an integrated luminosity of  $36.1 \text{ fb}^{-1}$
- Largest systematics comes from the uncertainties of the generation gg- and qq-initiated background processes
- A binned maximum likelihood fit is constructed over the matrix-element discriminator for  $ZZ \rightarrow 4l$ , and  $m_T$  for  $ZZ \rightarrow 2l2\nu$
- The observed upper limit of the **off-shell signal strength is 3.8** at 95% CL, while assuming that ratio of both on- and off-shell couplings are the same, the **observed upper limit of the Higgs total width is 14.4 MeV**

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# Conclusions

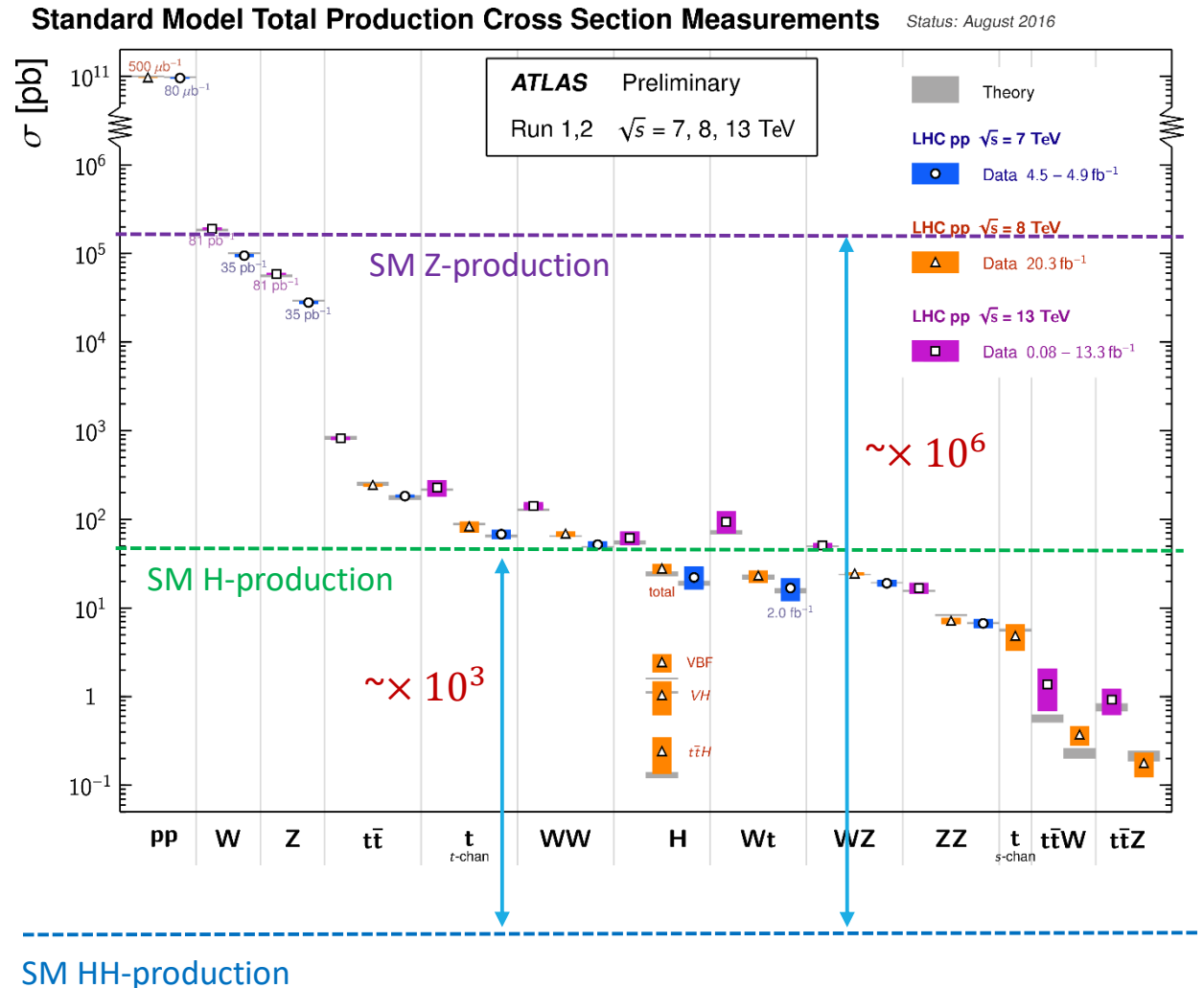
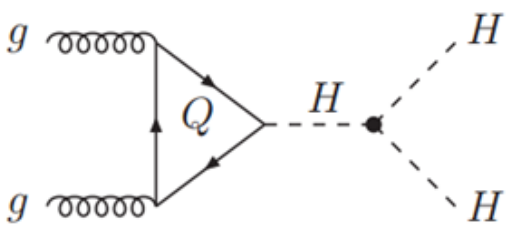
- The observed Higgs boson at the LHC is highly compatible with the SM Higgs boson, but there is still room for BSM candidates
- Most of the production and decay channels has been studied by the ATLAS collaboration, having substantial success in their determination
- One of the greatest challenge for the future of LHC experiments it's the measurement of the Higgs-self coupling
- We are confident that in the next years we will achieve a proper characterization of the Higgs boson to determine its true nature



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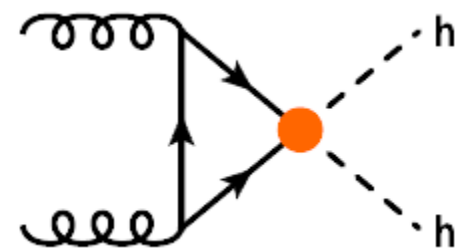
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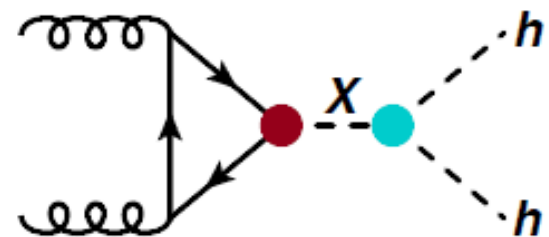
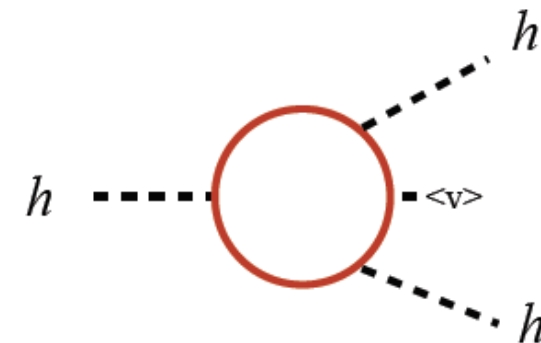
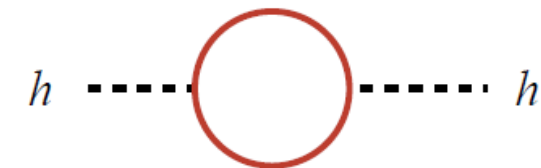


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- The existence of an extended scalar sector or the presence of new dynamics at higher scales could modify the Higgs boson self-couplings
  - Non-resonant di-Higgs enhancement
  - Resonant di-Higgs enhancement



indirect BSM contribution



direct BSM particle

