



Search for non-resonant production of Higgs pair in CMS experiment at the LHC

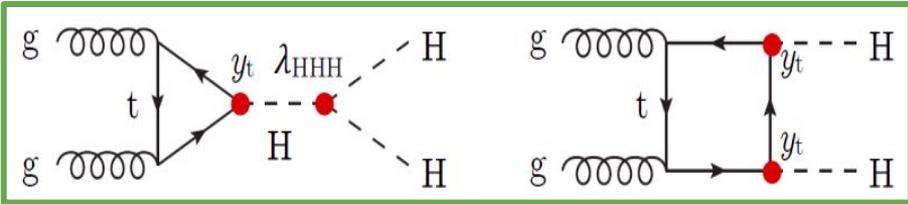
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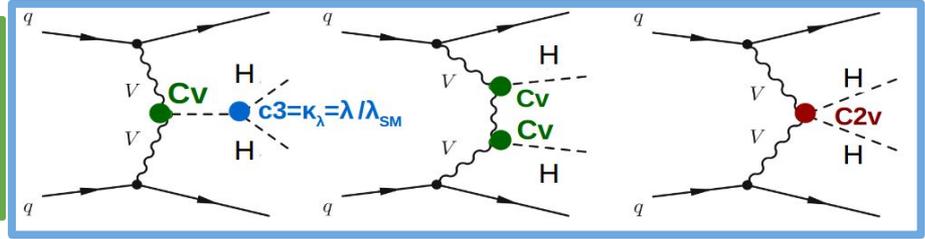


Higgs pair production in Standard Model

ggHH LO



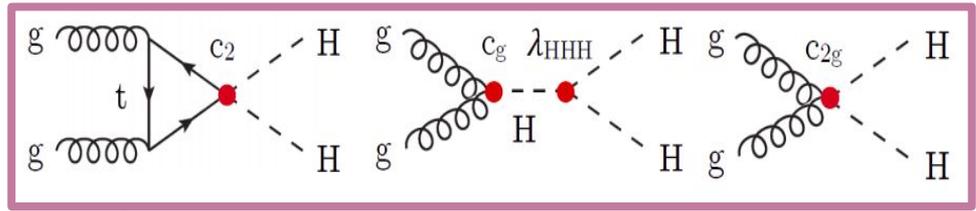
VBFHH LO



C_i / \mathcal{K}_i : modifier of SM coupling

- ❖ HH is the only process for the direct access of trilinear self Higgs coupling (λ_{HHH}) at the LHC, which dictates the shape of the Higgs potential.
- ❖ The standard model value of $\lambda_{HHH} = m_H^2/2v^2 \sim 0.13$
- ❖ **Gluon-gluon fusion (ggHH)**: the largest production mode of HH at the LHC, cross section with N²LO QCD accuracy, $\sigma_{ggHH} = 31.05 \text{ fb @13 TeV}$ [1].
- ❖ **Vector Boson fusion (VBFHH)**: the sub-lead mode, at N³LO, $\sigma_{VBFHH} = 1.73 \text{ fb}$ [2].
- ❖ VBFHH: **unique** process for accessing the coupling of Higgs pair with a pair of weak gauge bosons (VVHH, V = W/Z)

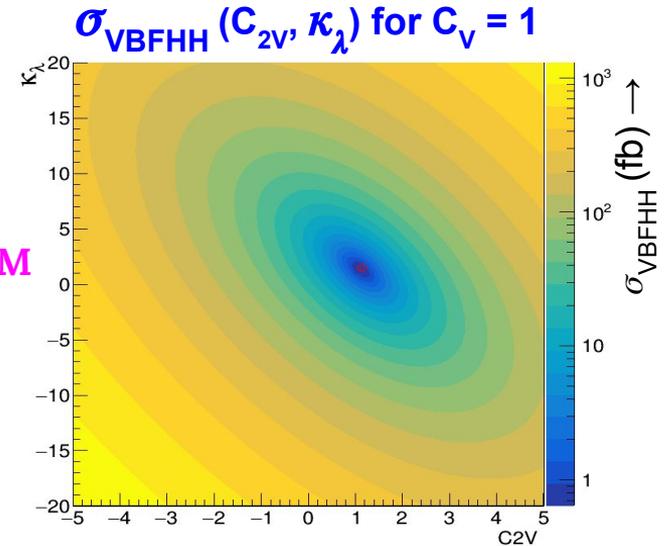
BSM scenario



- Typically probed via anomalous coupling parameters in terms of modifiers of SM values (C_i / κ_i). Anomalous values of the coupling modifiers enhance the cross section typically.
- EFT approach includes **three** new additional couplings for $ggHH$ compared to SM.

Parameters of interest: κ_λ, κ_t from SM + c_2, c_g, c_{2g} from BSM

- Hence, $ggHH$ cross section and kinematics of final state particles depend on the above 5 coupling parameters.
- Similarly for $VBFHH$, relevant coupling modifiers C_V, C_{2V} and κ_λ dictate the kinematics & cross section.
- Recent analyses target VBFHH mode along with $ggHH$.**



HH search in CMS

- ❖ HH decay modes being explored using **full Run2 (137 fb⁻¹)** data: $HH \rightarrow 4b$, $bb\tau\tau$, $bb\gamma\gamma$, $bbWW$, $bbZZ$, $4W$, $WW\tau\tau$, 4τ , $WW\gamma\gamma$

- ❖ Using **2016 (36 fb⁻¹)** data other published results from CMS (atleast one H decays to bb)

$HH \rightarrow 4b$

$HH \rightarrow bb\tau\tau$

$HH \rightarrow bbVV$ (V = W/Z)

$HH \rightarrow bb\gamma\gamma$

& combined

Emphasis of this talk

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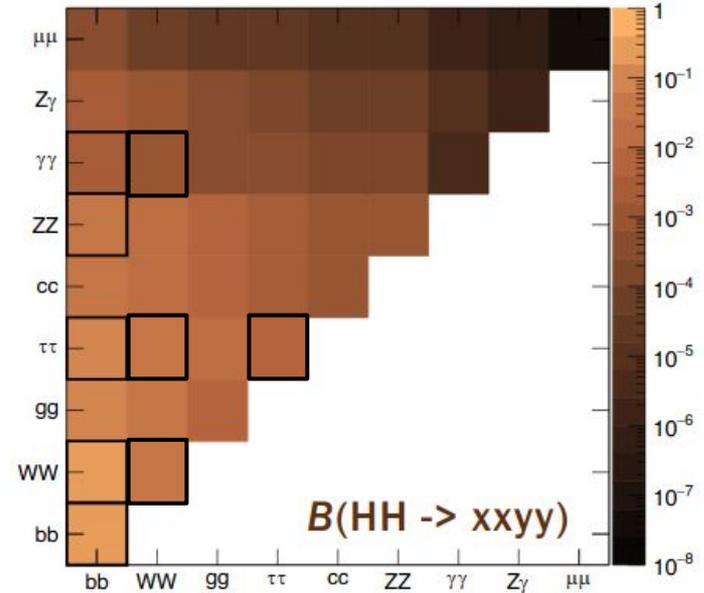
Using full RunII data recents results:

(i) $bb\gamma\gamma$

[CMS PAS-HIG-19-018](#)

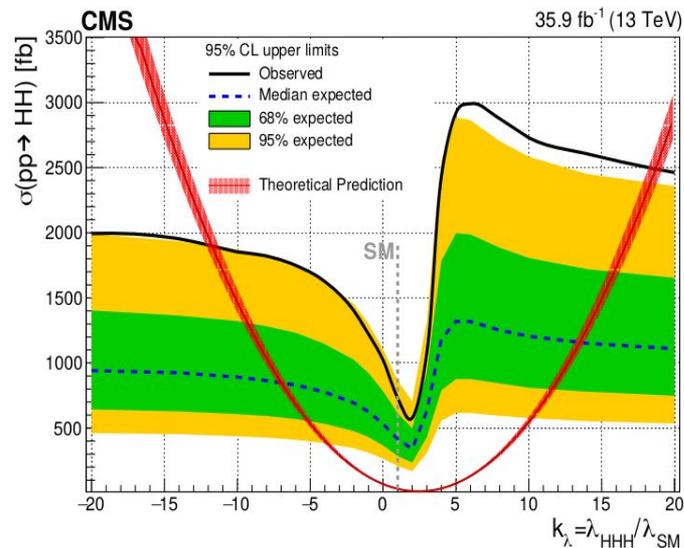
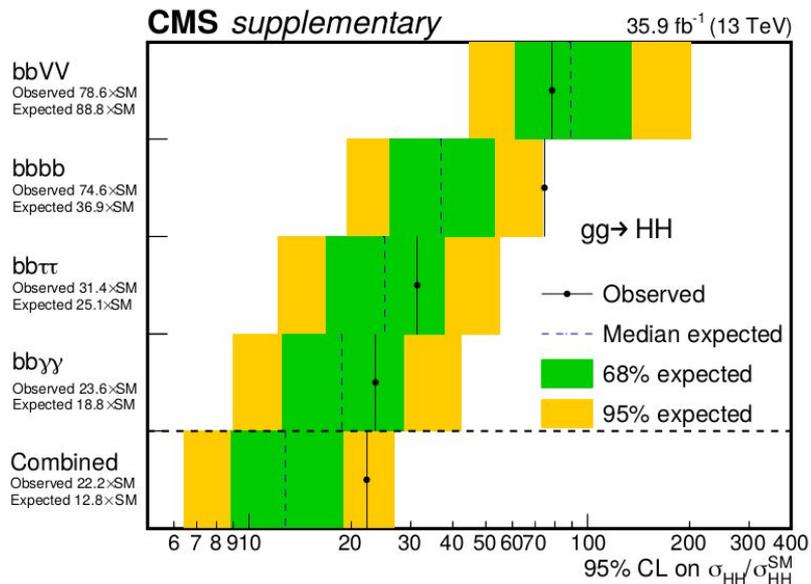
(ii) $bbZZ^*(4l)$

[CMS PAS-HIG-20-004](#)



CMS combined HH result with 2016 data

[PRL 122 \(2019\)](#)



95% CL Upper Limit on (cross section*BR) :

Only ggHH (* SM)	
Observed	22.2
Expected	12.8

Allowed range @ 95% CL

Observed: $-11.8 < \kappa_\lambda < 18.8$
Expected: $-7.1 < \kappa_\lambda < 13.6$

bbγγ : key features & analysis strategy

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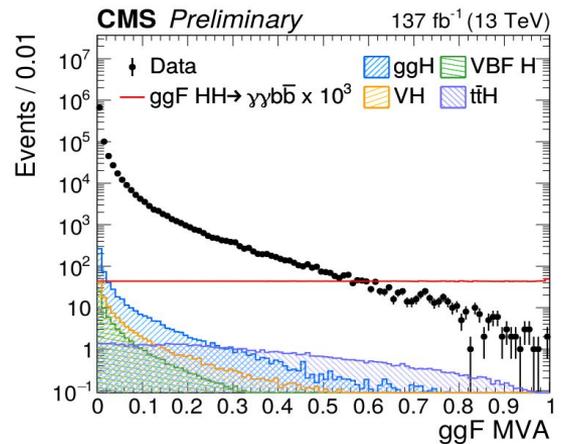
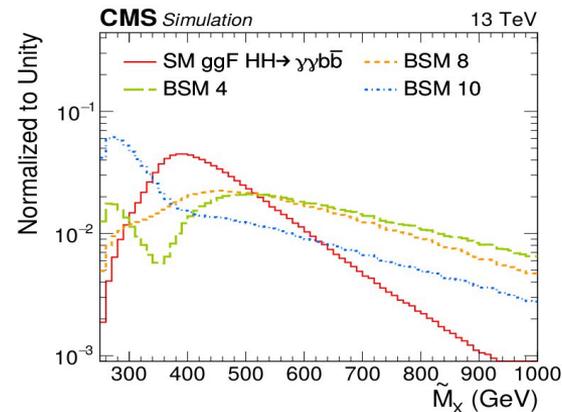
- Small branching ratio (0.26%) but highly sensitive
 - (i) excellent ECAL resolution for $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ in CMS
 - (ii) large branching ratio for $H \rightarrow bb$

Strategy for recent analysis:

- $M_X (M_{HH}) = M_{\gamma\gamma bb} - M_{\gamma\gamma} - M_{bb} + 250 \text{ GeV}$: sensitive for probing BSM
- BDT method to enhance signal vs. background discrimination

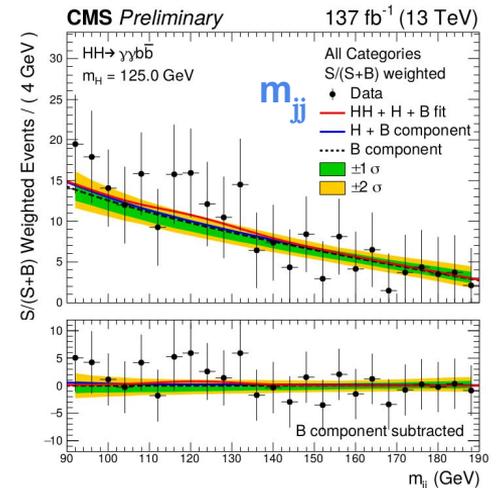
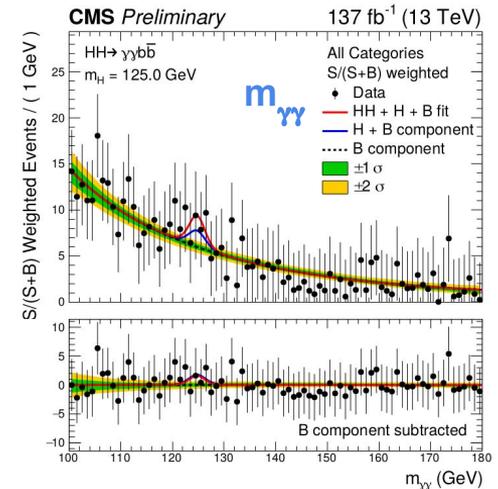


- Total 14 categories based on M_X & MVA
- Simultaneous 2D fit to $m_{\gamma\gamma} \times m_{jj}$ distributions
- Assuming no $m_{\gamma\gamma} - m_{jj}$ correlation



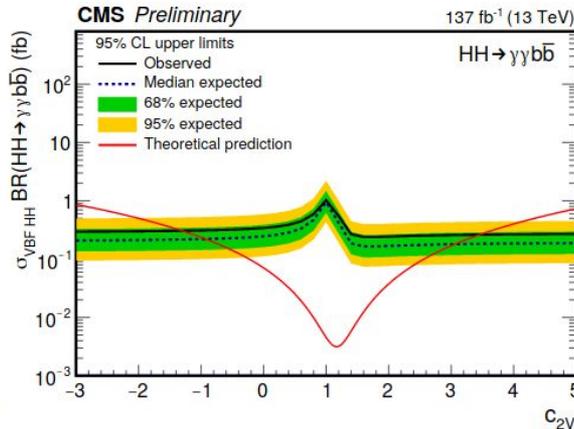
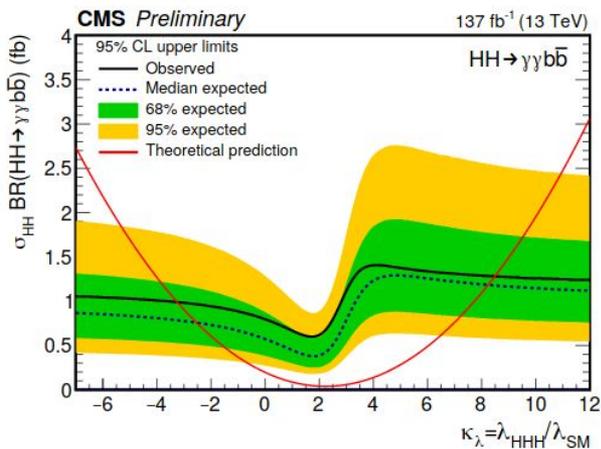
bbγγ : signal & background modelling

- Backgrounds:
 - QCD induced non-resonant $\gamma\gamma$ + jets, γ + jets
 - single Higgs production with $H \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$ (ttH most dominant)
- For each category, ggHH and VBFHH signal and single Higgs backgrounds modelling:
 - $m_{\gamma\gamma} \rightarrow$ **multi-Gaussian**
 - $m_{jj} \rightarrow$ **Double-sided Crystal Ball**
- Shape of non-resonant background in each category determined directly from data using discrete profile method [3].
- **Final signal extraction** performed by **simultaneous fit to all categories**.



bbγγ (ggHH + VBFHH): results on $\sigma * BR$

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Allowed range
@ 95% CL

Observed: $-3.3 < \kappa_\lambda < 8.5$
Expected: $-2.5 < \kappa_\lambda < 8.2$

Observed: $-1.3 < C_{2V} < 3.5$
Expected: $-0.9 < C_{2V} < 3.0$

Best-to-date !

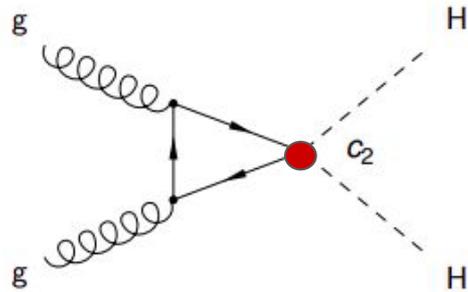
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95% CL Upper Limit on (inclusive cross section*BR) :

Inclusive HH (* SM)	
Observed	7.7
Expected	5.2

bbγγ: constraining BSM, results for C₂

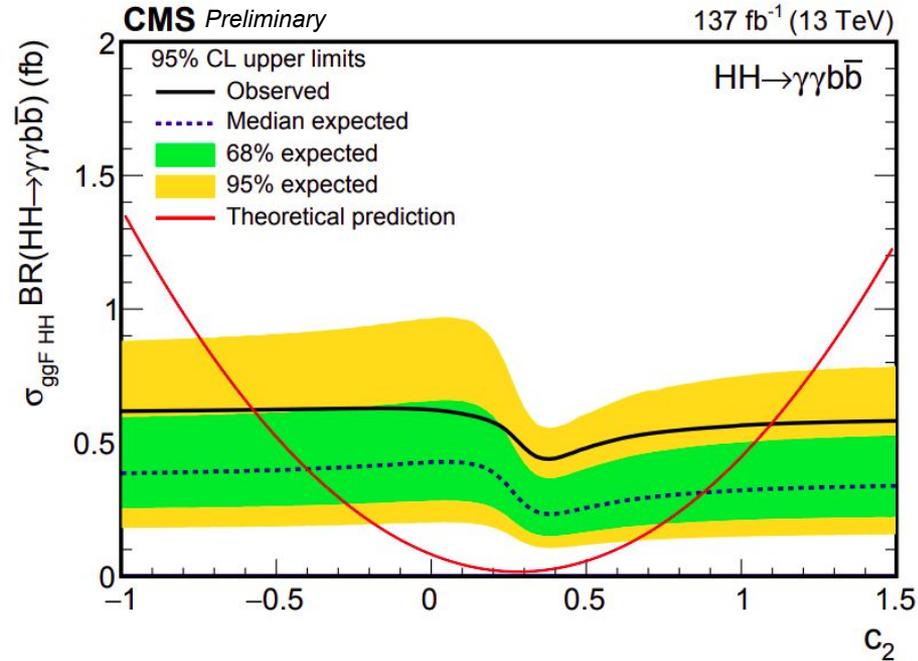
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C₂ : ttHH coupling modifier

C₂ = 0 in SM

Constraints on 12 benchmark points are in backup



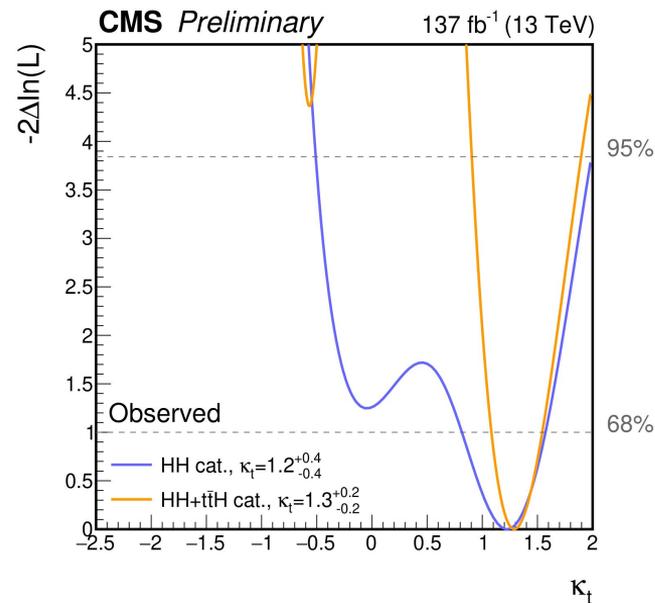
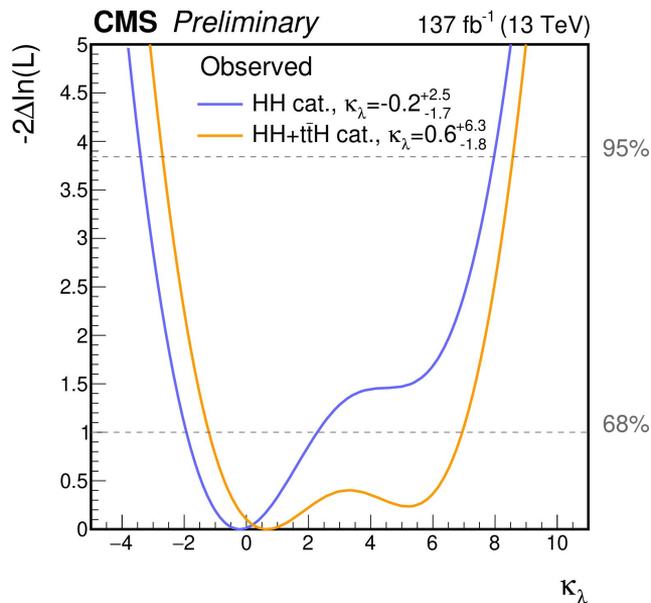
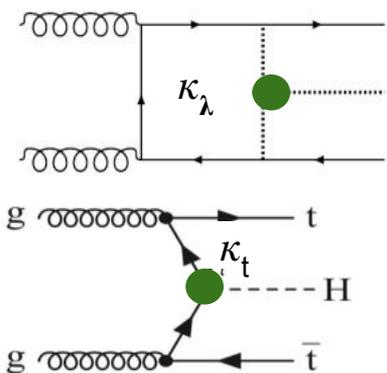
Allowed range @ 95% CL

Observed: $-0.6 < C_2 < 1.0$

Expected: $-0.4 < C_2 < 0.9$

bby γ : 1D Likelihood scans

- ttH process considered for better constraint on κ_λ and κ_t
- ttH categories are mutually exclusive to the all HH categories [4]



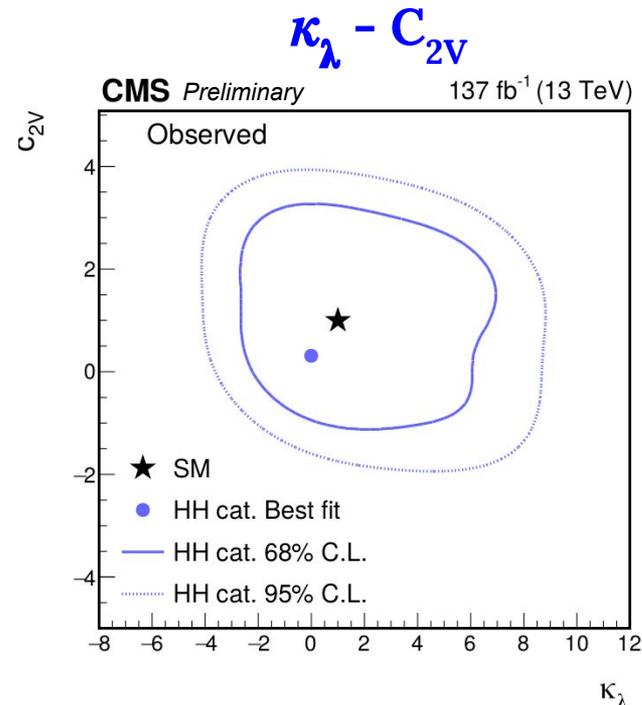
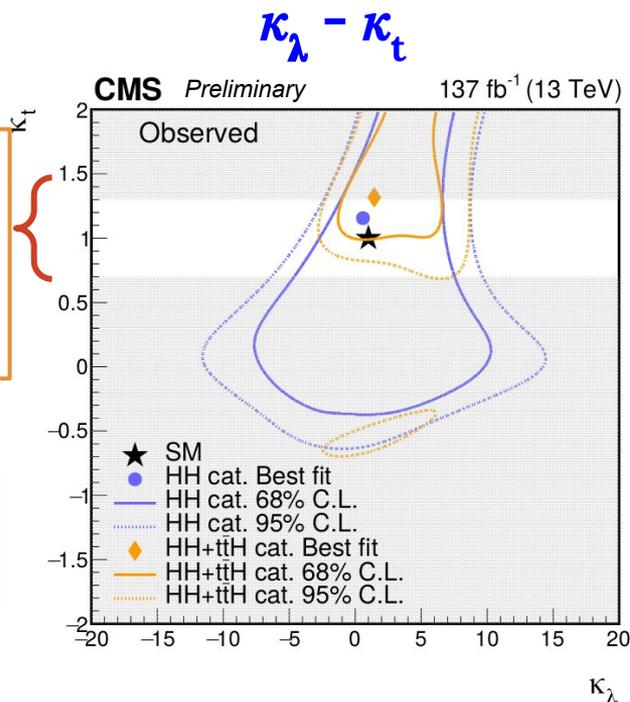
→ Inclusion of ttH makes positive κ_λ preferable
rules out negative κ_t at 95% CL

bby γ : 2D Likelihood scan for BSM search

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Validity region for using κ_t dependence of ttH at LO & κ_λ dependence at NLO [5]

VBFHH involves κ_λ and C_{2V} but not κ_t



bbZZ(4l) : analysis strategy

First from CMS

❖ Backgrounds:

(i) **Irreducible**: determined from Monte Carlo

(a) single Higgs production: ggH, VBFH, HW, HZ, ttH, bbH

(b) QCD induced nonresonant production: qq→ZZ*, gg→ZZ*

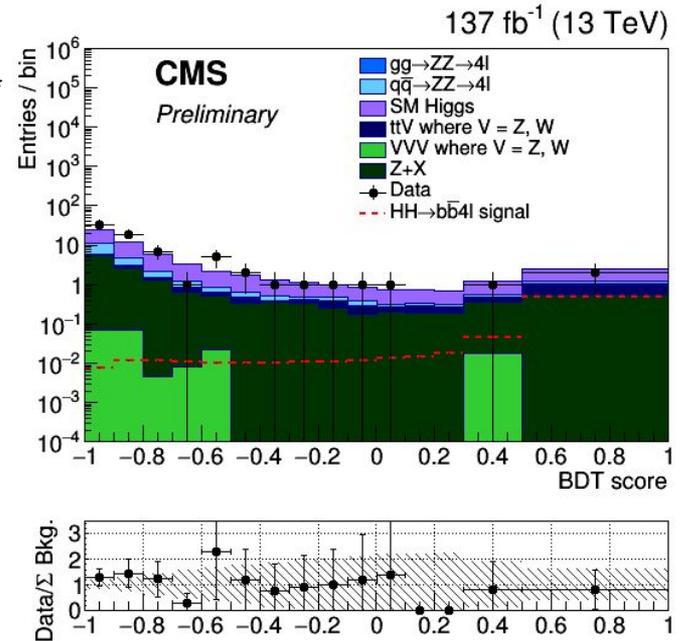
(c) ttW, ttZ

(ii) **Reducible**: **Z + X**: where one or two leptons are fakes, mainly from heavy flavour decays, mis-reconstructed jets and converted γ

→ determined from data by measuring probability of fake e, μ in control regions

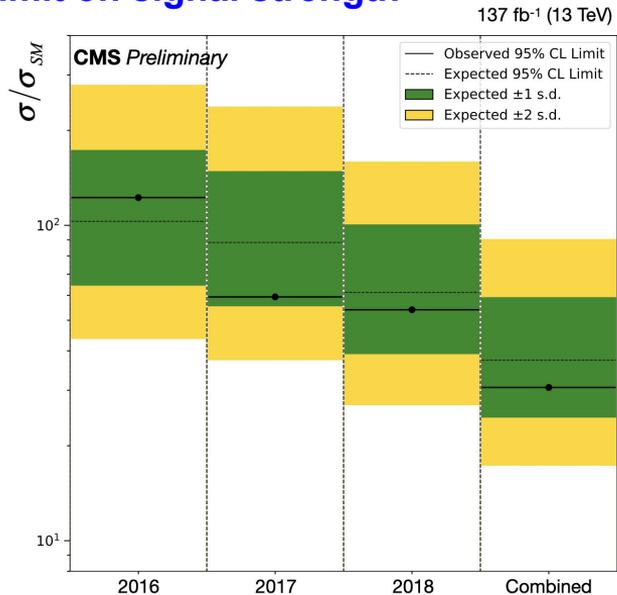
❖ Total 9 BDT trainings: 3 separate years (2016, 17, 18) & 3 channels (4e, 4 μ and 2e2 μ)

❖ **Signal extracted using shape analysis**: maximum likelihood fit to merged BDT output distribution of all years and all channels with proper weightage.



bbZZ(4l) : Results

Upper Limit on signal strength

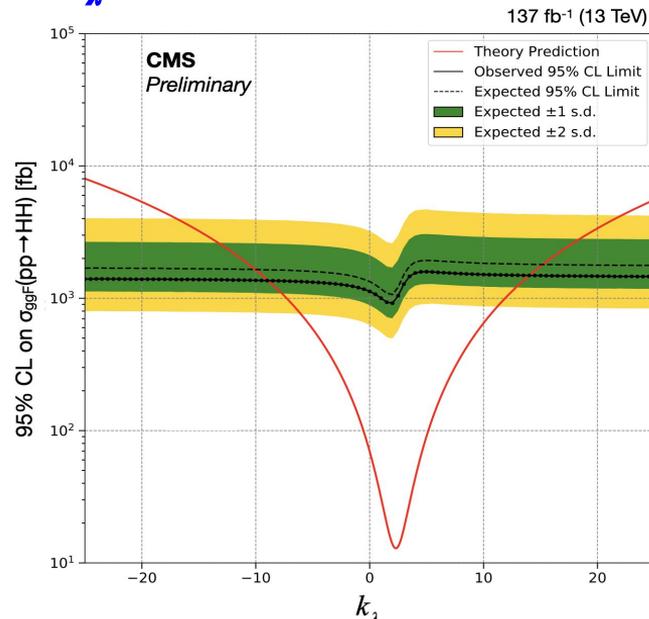


95% CL Upper Limit
on (cross section*BR)

Only ggHH (* SM)	
Observed	30
Expected	37

First from CMS

κ_λ scan



Allowed range @ 95% CL

Observed: $-9 < \kappa_\lambda < 14$
Expected: $-10.5 < \kappa_\lambda < 15.5$

Summary

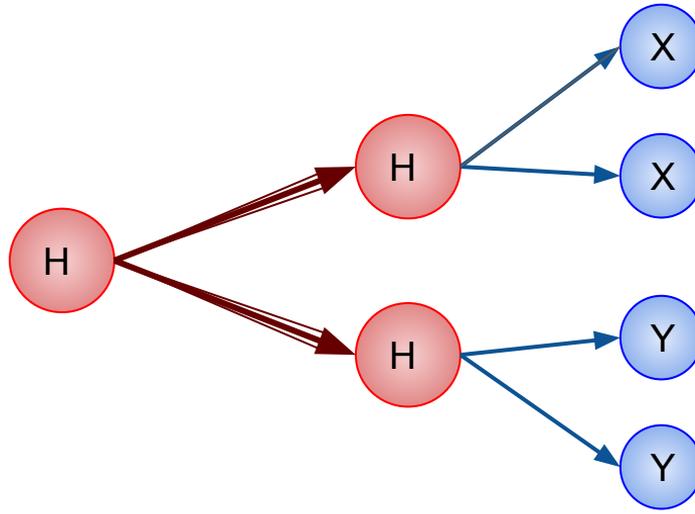
1. Measurement of the Higgs boson self-coupling is of high priority in the CMS physics programme.

Several analyses with different HH decay channels are being considered.

- 2. Full Run2 analysis of $HH \rightarrow b\bar{b}\gamma\gamma$ final state in CMS has been presented for the first time.**
 - i) The VBFHH mode also been considered along with the ggHH mode to obtain the **first results on the $VVHH$ coupling parameter (C_{2V})** in CMS.
 - ii) 95% CL UL on (cross section * BR) improved by **60%** compared to analysis based on 2016 data only.
- 3. $HH \rightarrow b\bar{b}ZZ$ (4l) mode has been studied by CMS for the first time with full Run2 data.**
4. Other final state analyses with full Run2 data and final combined results are on the way.
5. More interesting results are expected in Run3 and HL-LHC era.

Stay tuned!

Thank you very much for kind attention



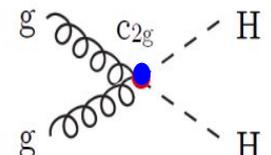
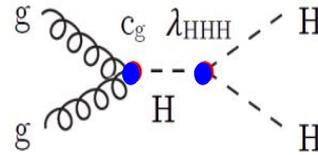
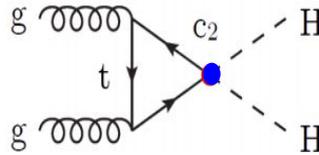
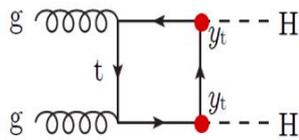
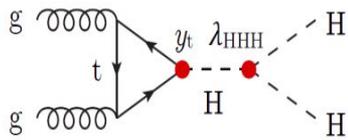
Backups and additional Materials

HH: EFT Lagrangian for ggHH process [6]

$$\mathcal{L}_{HH} = \boxed{\kappa_\lambda} \lambda_{HHH}^{\text{SM}} v H^3 - \frac{m_t}{v} (\boxed{\kappa_t} H + \frac{\boxed{c_2}}{v} H^2) (\bar{t}_L t_R + \text{h.c.}) + \frac{1}{4} \frac{\alpha_S}{3\pi v} (\boxed{c_g} H - \frac{\boxed{c_{2g}}}{2v} H^2) G^{\mu\nu} G_{\mu\nu}.$$

— SM couplings

— BSM couplings



HH: EFT BSM Benchmark [7]

- The different values of coupling parameters leads different kinematics and cross-sections
- In CMS HH analysis 12 benchmark points have been explored to get the EFT sensitivity
- Each benchmark points have been defined by a set of 5 coupling parameters
- The generator level m_{HH} distributions is hugely different in each benchmark scheme

Benchmark points:

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	SM
κ_λ	7.5	1.0	1.0	-3.5	1.0	2.4	5.0	15.0	1.0	10.0	2.4	15.0	1.0
κ_t	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.5	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.5	1.0	1.0	1.0
c_2	-1.0	0.5	-1.5	-3.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.0	-1.0	0.0	1.0	0.0
c_g	0.0	-0.8	0.0	0.0	0.8	0.2	0.2	-1.0	-0.6	0.0	1.0	0.0	0.0
c_{2g}	0.0	0.6	-0.8	0.0	-1.0	-0.2	-0.2	1.0	0.6	0.0	-1.0	0.0	0.0

ttH and single Higgs parametrization:

- The SM Higgs production and decay rates can be used to constrain on the κ_λ
- Deviation from SM Higgs production and decay rate are parameterized by 3D model ($\kappa_\lambda, \kappa_V, \kappa_F$)
- The production rates have been modified by this coupling parameter in terms of SM value

$$\mu_i(\kappa_V, \kappa_F, \kappa_\lambda) = Z_H^{\text{BSM}}(\kappa_\lambda) [S_i(\kappa_V, \kappa_F) + K_{\text{BSM}}(1 - \kappa_\lambda)]$$

$$Z_H^{\text{BSM}}(\kappa_\lambda) = (1 - (\kappa_\lambda^2 - 1)\delta Z)^{-1}$$

K_{BSM} : Constants and process dependant
ttH has the largest value

References:

1. [G. Degrassi, P. P. Giardino, F. Maltoni, and D. Pagani, JHEP 12 \(2016\) 080](#)
2. [F. Maltoni, D. Pagani, A. Shivaji, and X. Zhao, Eur. Phys. J. C 77 \(2017\)](#)

bb $\gamma\gamma$: Event selection

Photon selection:

- ❖ Hgg MVA γ ID > -0.9
- ❖ Pixel-safe electron veto is applied
- ❖ $p_T(\gamma_1)/M(\gamma\gamma) > 1/3$, $p_T(\gamma_2)/M(\gamma\gamma) > 1/4$
- ❖ $100 < M(\gamma\gamma) < 180$ GeV

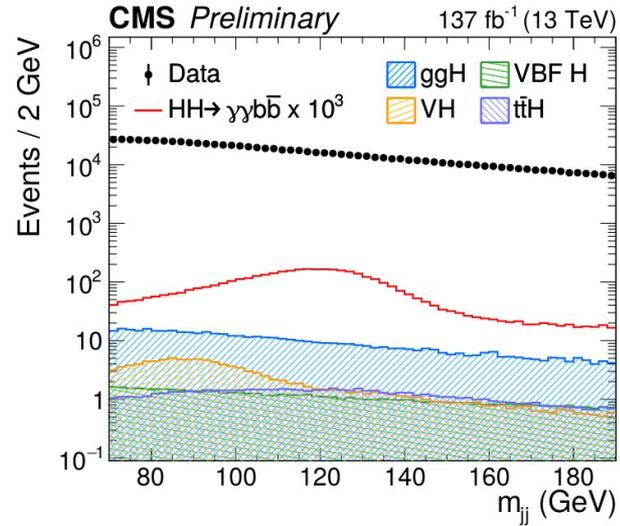
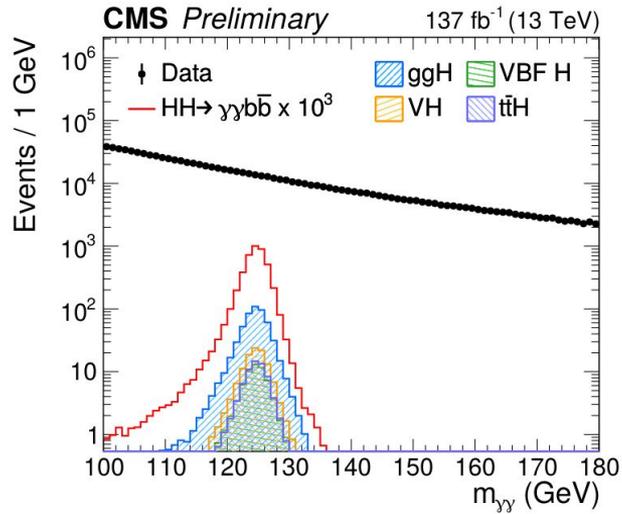
b-jet selection:

- ❖ b jets are chosen with the highest sum of DeepJet score
- ❖ $p_T(\text{jets}) > 25$ GeV, $|\eta| < 2.4$ (2016) & $|\eta| < 2.5$ (2017/2018)
- ❖ $70 < M_{bb} < 190$ GeV

VBF Jet selection:

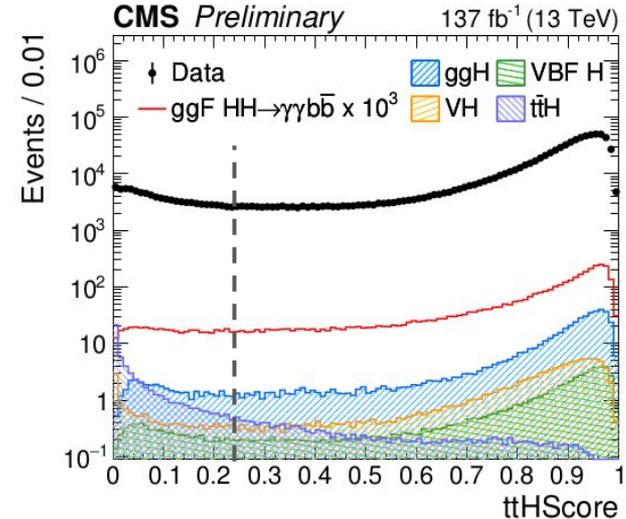
- **Tight PU** jet ID for jet $p_T < 50$ GeV for all η
- $\Delta R < 0.4$ applied between one jet and one photons and one jet and one selected b-jet
- Identify pair of jets with $|\eta| < 4.7$, lead jet $p_T > 40$ GeV & sublead jet $p_T > 30$ GeV
- VBF jets: pair of highest invariant mass (M_{jj}).

$b\bar{b}\gamma\gamma$: Invariant mass distributions in $ggHH$



bbγγ: ttHScore (An MVA to separate HH Vs ttH)

- **A DNN based classifier**
- **Signal:** SM ggHH + 12 BSM Benchmark samples
Background: ttH
- **Input variables:**
 - Low level information of individual particle flow (PF) objects
 - High level event kinematics
 - ◆ Angular variables: $\cos\theta_{CS}^*$, $\cos\theta_{bb}$, $\cos\theta_{\gamma\gamma}$
 - ◆ Variables for the leptonic decays of W from top
 $\Delta R_{MET, b1}$, $\Delta R_{MET, b2}$, four vector of Leptons $p_T > 0$
 - ◆ Variables for the hadronic decays of W boson
- Hyper parameters are optimized by Bayesian optimization
- Good signal to background separation.
- Optimization for threshold value is chosen by taking 90% of signal efficiency.



bbγγ.List of input variables used for training

Common variables with ggHH analysis

1. Leading & subleading DeepJet score
2. $\cos(\theta_{CS}^*)$, $\cos(\theta_{\gamma\gamma})$ and $\cos(\theta_{bb})$ - Helicity angles
3. $p_T^{\gamma\gamma}/M_{HH}$, p_T^{bb}/M_{HH}
4. Leading & subleading photon ID MVA
5. $p_T^\gamma/m_{\gamma\gamma} \rightarrow$ lead and sublead photon
6. $p_T^b/m_{bb} \rightarrow$ lead and sublead b-jet
7. $\min \Delta R_{\gamma b}$ and other $\Delta R_{\gamma b}$
8. p_T^{HH}
9. MX
10. Leading and subleading photon resolution, σ_E/E
11. Diphoton mass resolution, $\sigma_m/m_{\gamma\gamma}$
12. Leading and subleading b-jet resolution σ_E/E
13. Di-bjet mass resolution, σ_m/m_{bb}
14. Median energy density in an event (ρ)

VBF jet related variables

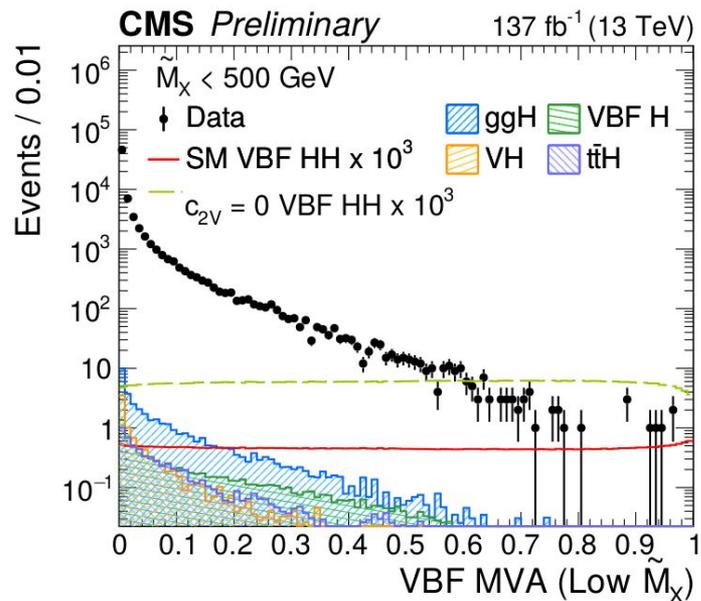
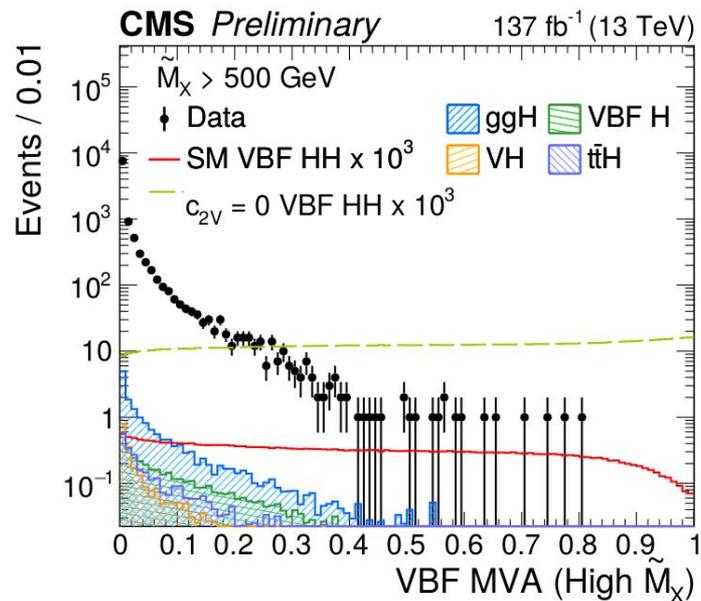
1. Leading and subleading VBF jet p_T/M_{jj}^{VBF}
2. Leading and subleading VBF jet η
3. Product of VBF jet η
4. Difference of VBF jet η
5. Quark Gluon Likelihood(QGL) of two VBF jets
6. Minimum angular distance between one VBF jet and one photon & one VBF jet and one b-jet
 $\rightarrow \min \Delta R_{j\gamma}$ and $\min \Delta R_{jb}$
7. Centrality variables between diphoton and di-bjet system with respect to the two VBF jets, $C_{\gamma\gamma}$, C_{bb}

$$C_{xx} = \exp. \left[-\frac{4}{(\eta_1 - \eta_2)^2} \left(\eta_{xx} - \frac{\eta_1 + \eta_2}{2} \right)^2 \right]$$

where $x = \gamma$ or b

QGL: CMS DP -2016/070

bby γ : MVA distributions for VBFHH



b \bar{b} $\gamma\gamma$: Systematic uncertainties

- Statistically dominated analysis
- Total impact of systematics on signal strengths is around 2% on

Experimental:

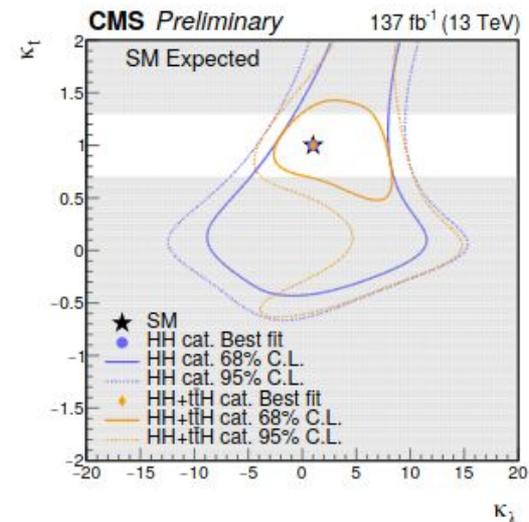
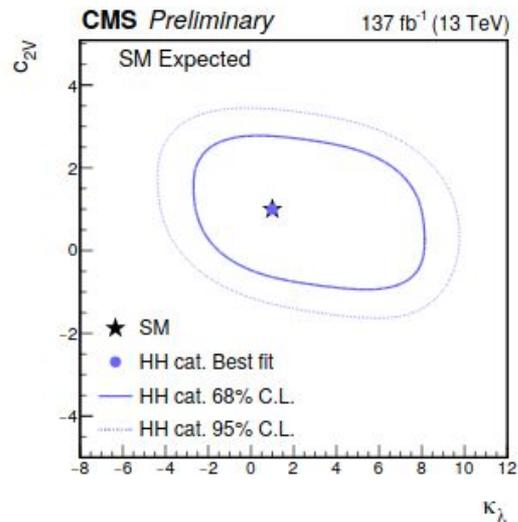
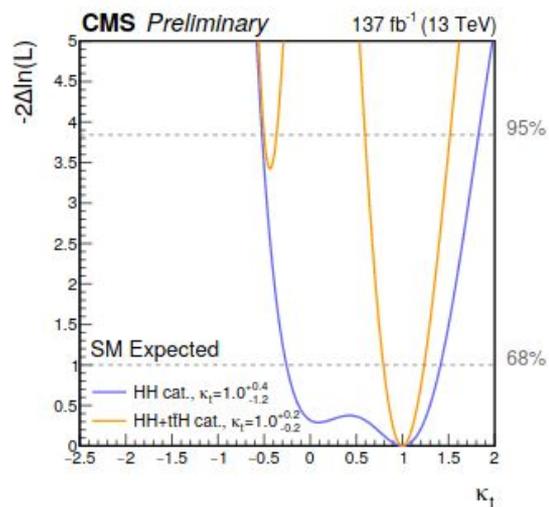
- Luminosity
- Preselection SF
- Triggers
- Photons ID MVA
- Photon resolution
- Electron Veto SF
- Jet energy scale & resolution
- b-tagging SF
- Pile up jet Id
- Prefiring Issue
- HEM (HCAL Minus)

Theoretical:

- Background Modelling
- QCD scale
- PDF systematics
- PS scheme

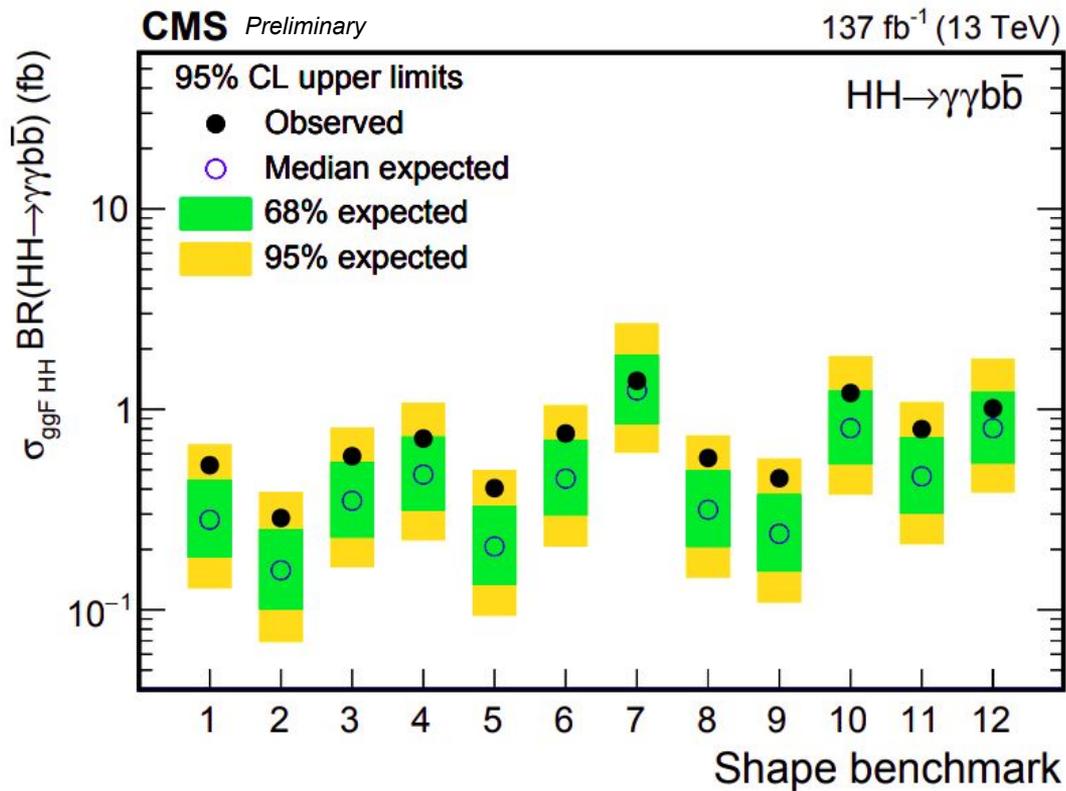
bby γ : Expected likelihood scans

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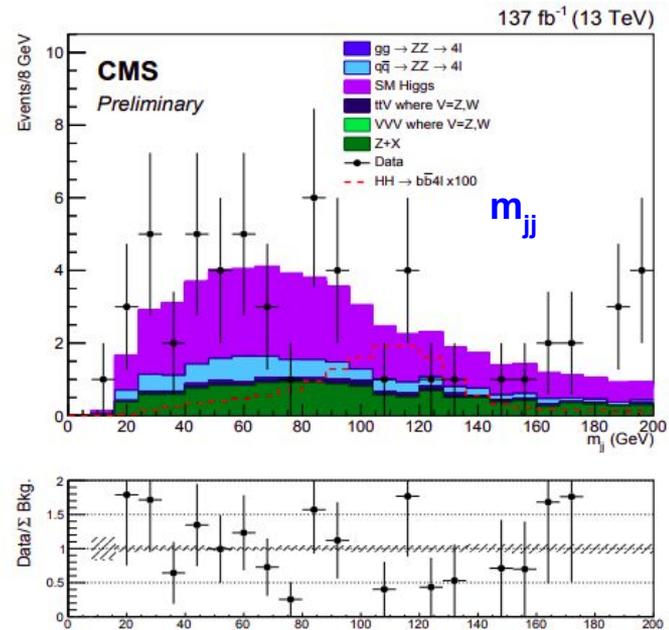
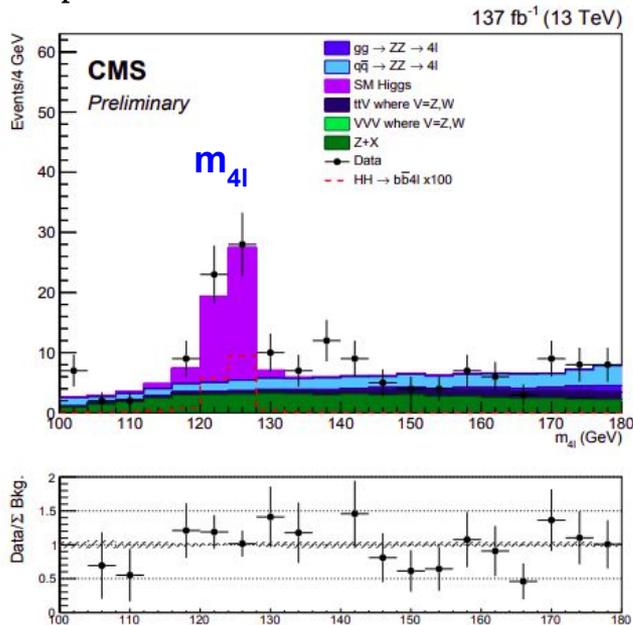
$b\bar{b}\gamma\gamma$: Benchmark points [5]

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bbZZ(4l) : key features

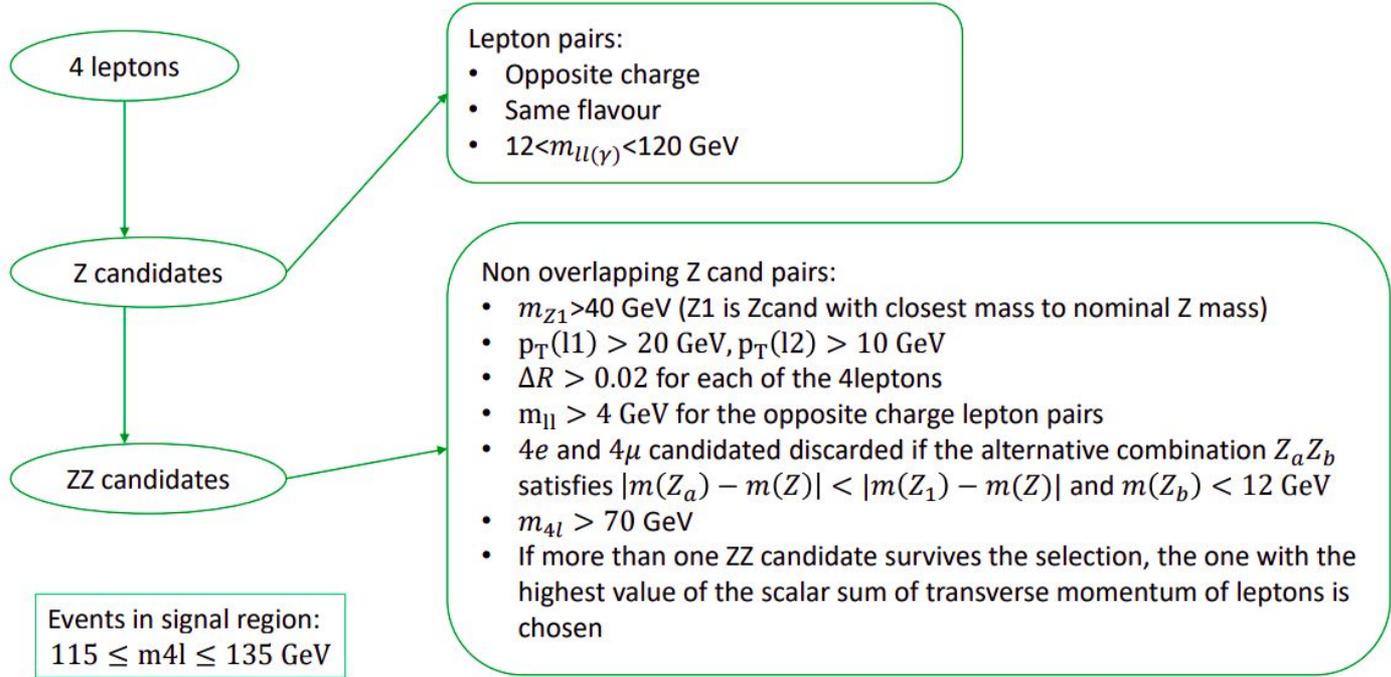
- ❖ (i) Clear signature from 4l (ii) Large BR. $H \rightarrow bb$
- ❖ Targets only ggHH production



- ❖ Full reconstruction of $H \rightarrow ZZ^*$ final states.
- ❖ $H(bb)$ reconstructed from jets with highest b tag score.

bbZZ(4l): Event selection

H → ZZ



H → bb

- If < 2 jets, events are not considered
- If only 2 jets, the bb candidate is built with the 2 jets
- If ≥ 2 jets, bb candidate is built from the **2 highest b tagger score jets** in the event

bbZZ(4l): Systematic uncertainties

Theory uncertainties	
PDF and α_s	
PDF set and α_s HH	3.0%
m_{top} unc HH	2.6%
PDF set ggH	1.8%
α_s ggH	2.59 – 2.62%
PDF set and α_s VBFH	2.1%
PDF set and α_s ZH	1.6%
PDF set and α_s WH	1.3%
PDF set and α_s bbH	3.2%
PDF set and α_s ttH	3.6%
PDF set and α_s qqZZ	3.1 – 3.4%
PDF set and α_s ttW	25 – 37.5%
PDF set and α_s ttZ	7 – 14%
PDF set and α_s VVV	2 – 17%
PDF set and α_s ggZZ	3.2%
QCD scale	
HH	2.2 – 5%
ggH	4.27 – 6.49%
VBFH	0.3 – 0.4%
ZH	2.7 – 3.5%
WH	0.5%
bbH	4.6 – 6.7%
ttH	6.0 – 9.2%
qqZZ	3.2 – 4.2%
ttW	3 – 4%
ttZ	2 – 3%
VVV	3%
ggZZ	4.6 – 6.7%
Electroweak corrections	
qqZZ	0.1%
ggZZ	10.0%

Experimental uncertainties			
source	2016	2017	2018
Luminosity	2.6%	2.3%	2.5%
Leptons ID and reco eff	1.6 – 15.5%	1.1 – 12.1%	1.0 – 11%
b tagging SF	shape	shape	shape
JEC	shape	shape	shape
JER	shape	shape	shape
Z+X uncertainties	30 – 41%	30 – 38%	30 – 37%

bbZZ(4l): BDT Variables

- p_T of the four leptons
- ΔR between two reconstructed H
- B-tag score of two b-jets
- p_T and invariant mass of the two jets
- The highest value of the b-tagging score.

CMS HH analyses results with 2016 data (36 fb^{-1})

Channels	95% CL UL on cross section*BR (* SM)	Constraints on κ_λ
HH \rightarrow bb $\gamma\gamma$ PLB 778 (2019) 7	Obs.: 9 Exp.: 24	Obs.: $-11 < \kappa_\lambda < 17$ Exp.: $-8 < \kappa_\lambda < 14$
HH \rightarrow bb $\tau\tau$ PLB 778 (2018) 101	Obs.: 30 Exp.: 25	Obs.: $-18 < \kappa_\lambda < 26$ Exp.: $-14 < \kappa_\lambda < 22$
HH \rightarrow bbbb JHEP 04 (2019) 112	Obs.: 75 Exp.: 37	Obs.: $-23 < \kappa_\lambda < 30$ Exp.: $-15 < \kappa_\lambda < 23$
HH \rightarrow bbVV (V = W/Z) JHEP 01 (2018) 054	Obs.: 79 Exp.: 89	Obs.: $-11 < \kappa_\lambda < 17$ Exp.: $-8 < \kappa_\lambda < 14$