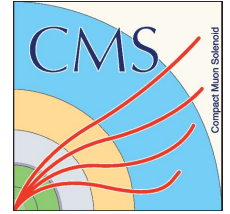




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Resonant and non-resonant HH channel

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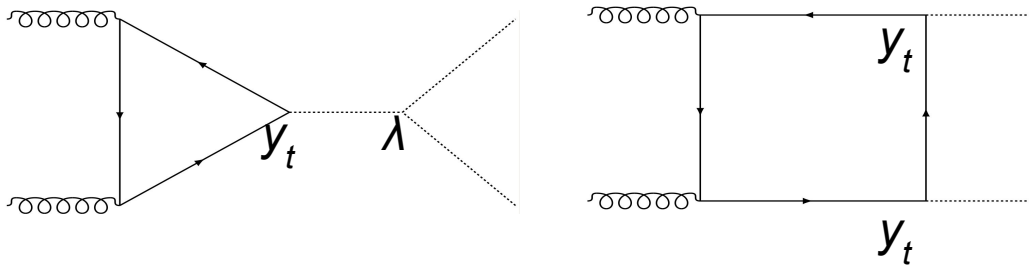
Outline

- Motivation for the HH searches
- Latest results from CMS and ATLAS experiments
- Outlook for Run 3 and HL-LHC

Non-resonant HH search

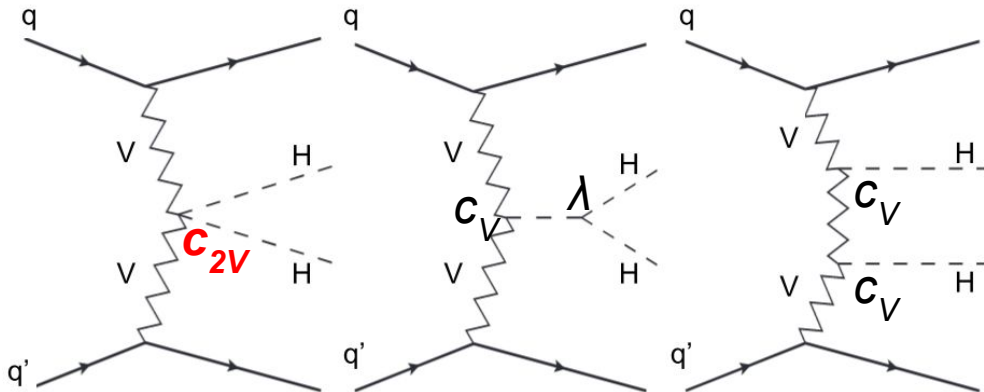
- HH production is sensitive to the Higgs trilinear coupling λ
- VBF HH is sensitive to c_{2V} coupling

ggF production (ggHH) diagrams at LO

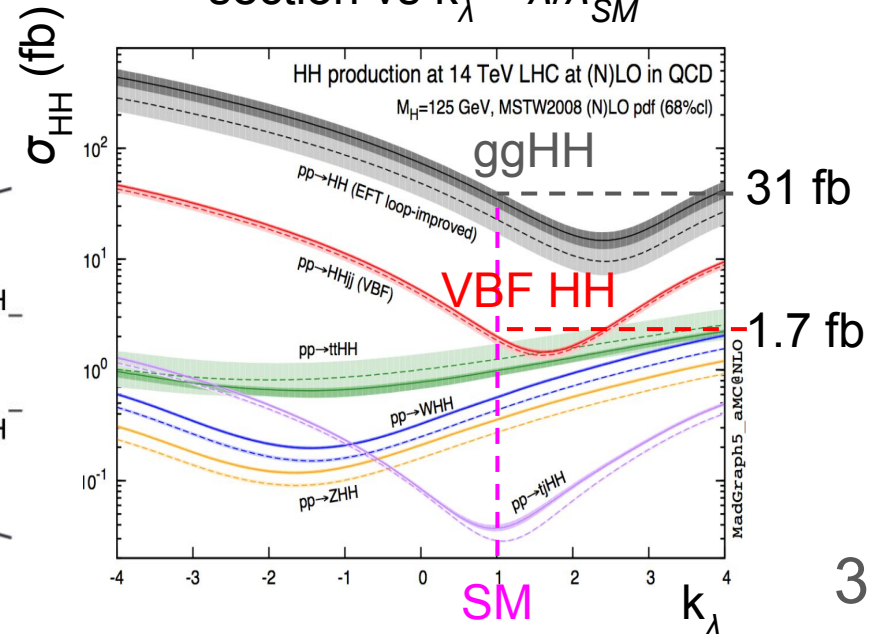


Sensitivity @LO
to λ and c_{2V} parameters

VBF HH production diagrams at LO



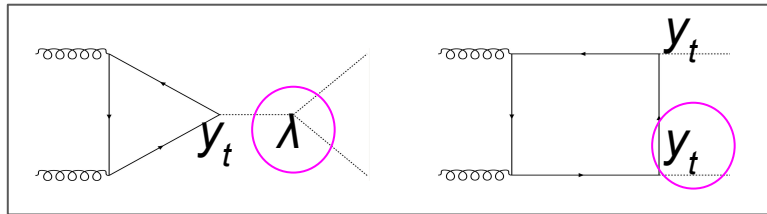
HH production cross section vs $k_\lambda = \lambda/\lambda_{SM}$



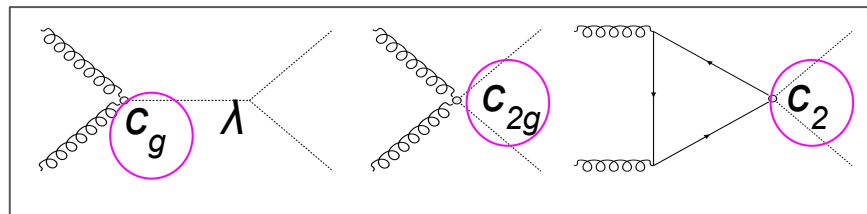
Sensitivity to effective field theory (EFT) couplings

- ggHH production described by 5 diagrams:

SM terms

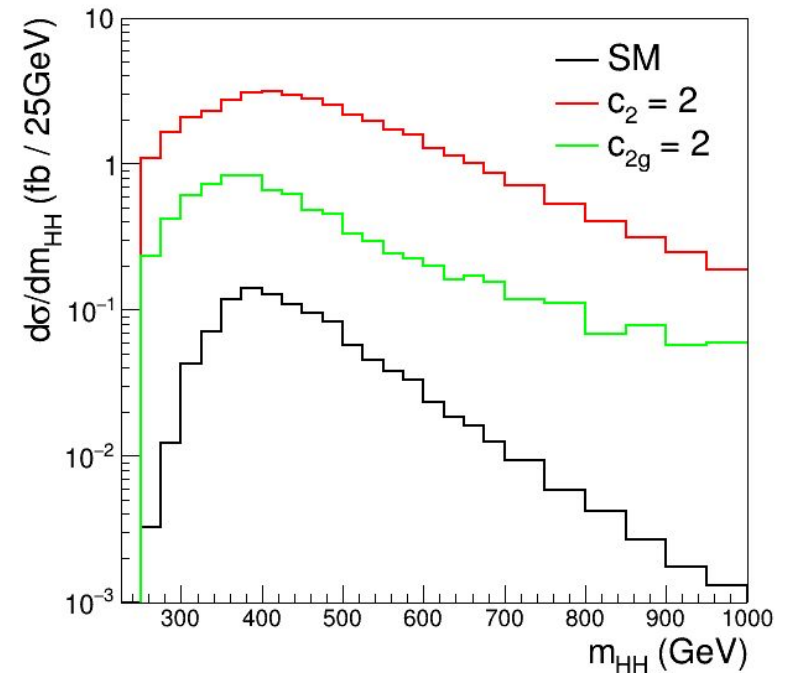


BSM terms



5 parameters

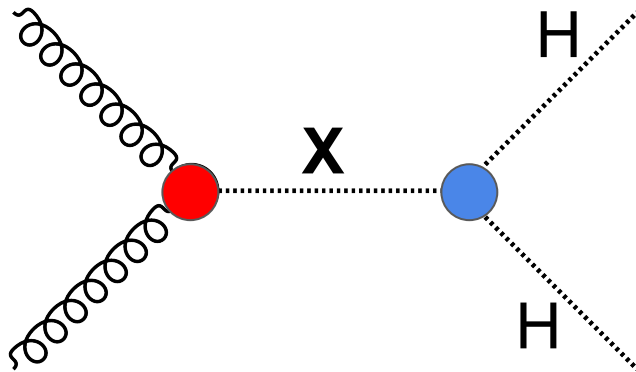
- Modification of total and differential XS



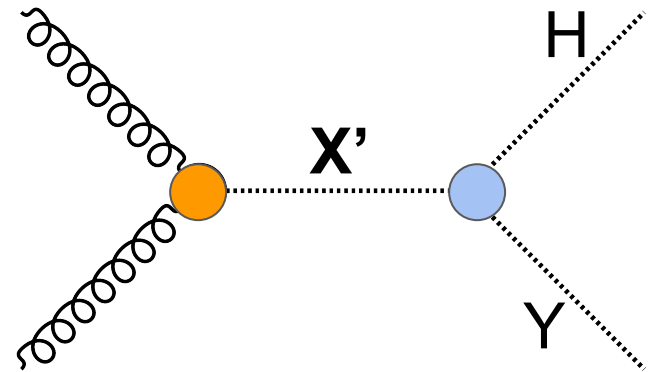
- Constraints on single couplings, e.g. c_2
- Benchmarks in the 5D parameter space defined to explore the EFT sensitivity [JHEP09\(2018\)057](#), [JHEP03\(2020\)091](#)

Resonant HH searches

$X \rightarrow HH$



$X' \rightarrow YH$



- Spin 0 resonances
 - Randall-Sundrum radion
 - 2 H doublets models (2HDM)
 - Spin 2 resonances
 - Randall-Sundrum graviton
- + VBF production mechanism

- Spin 0 resonances
 - Next-to-minimal supersymmetry models (NMSSM)

Non-resonant HH searches with 2016 data ($\sim 36 \text{ fb}^{-1}$)

- No deviations from SM observed

Obs.(exp.) upper limit on $\sigma(\text{HH})$

22.2(12.8) \times SM from CMS

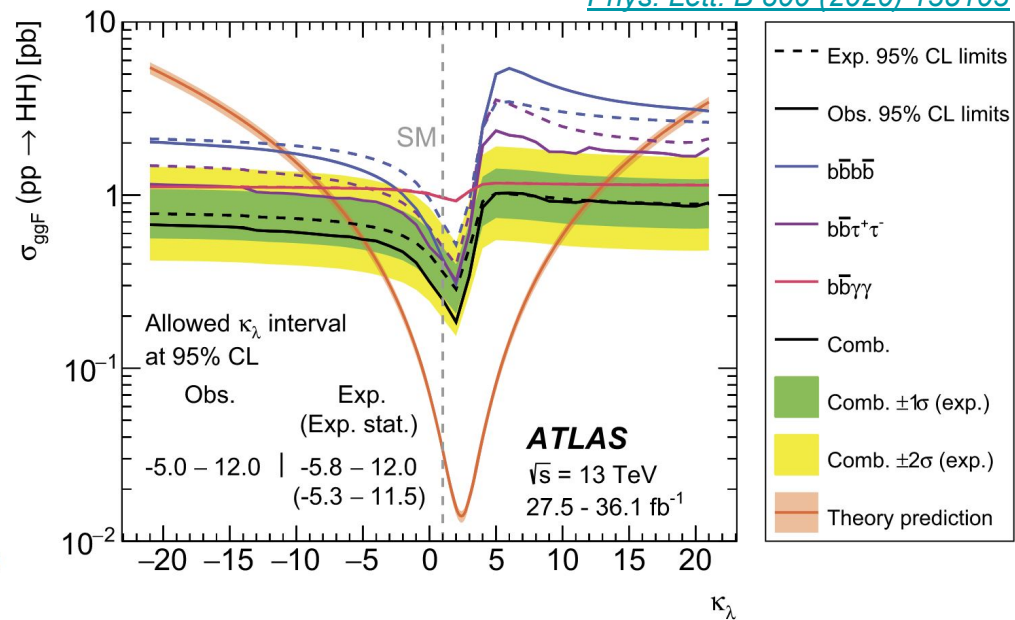
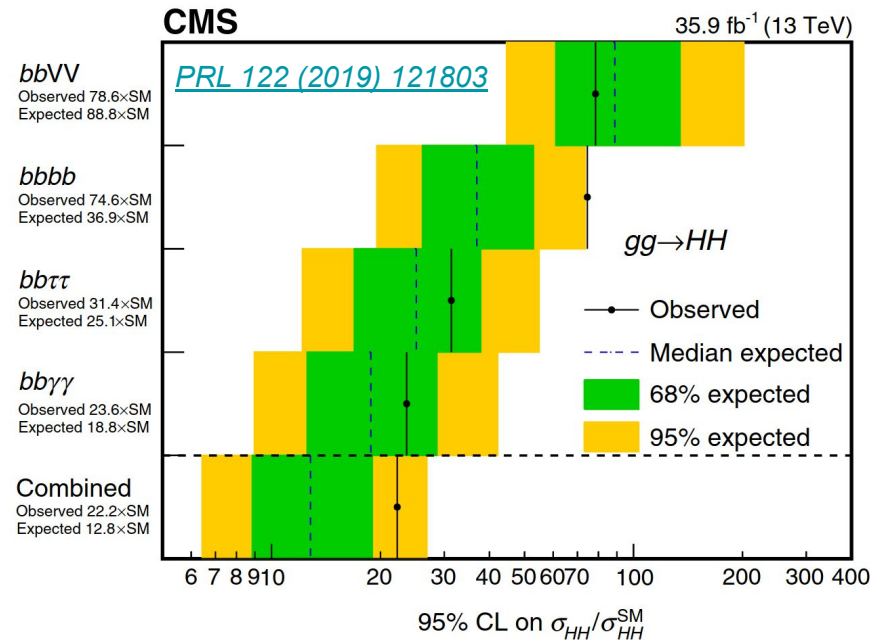
6.9(10) \times SM from ATLAS

Obs. k_λ exclusion

$-11 < k_\lambda < 17$ @ 95% C.L. from CMS

$-5 < k_\lambda < 12$ @ 95% C.L. from ATLAS

[Phys. Lett. B 800 \(2020\) 135103](#)



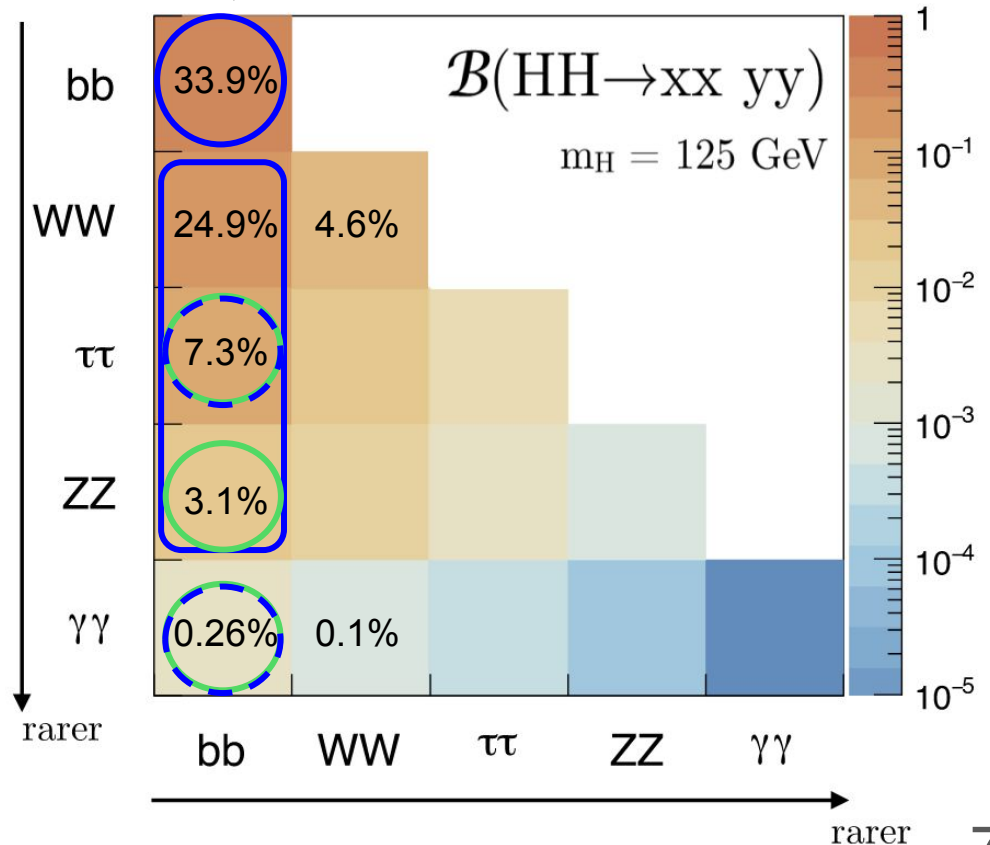
New results with Run 2 dataset ($\sim 140 \text{ fb}^{-1}$) in this presentation

Explored final states

- $H \rightarrow bb$: large BR & bkg rejection from heavy-flavour jet ID
- H final states with leptons, γ , or τ_h : efficient bkg rejection

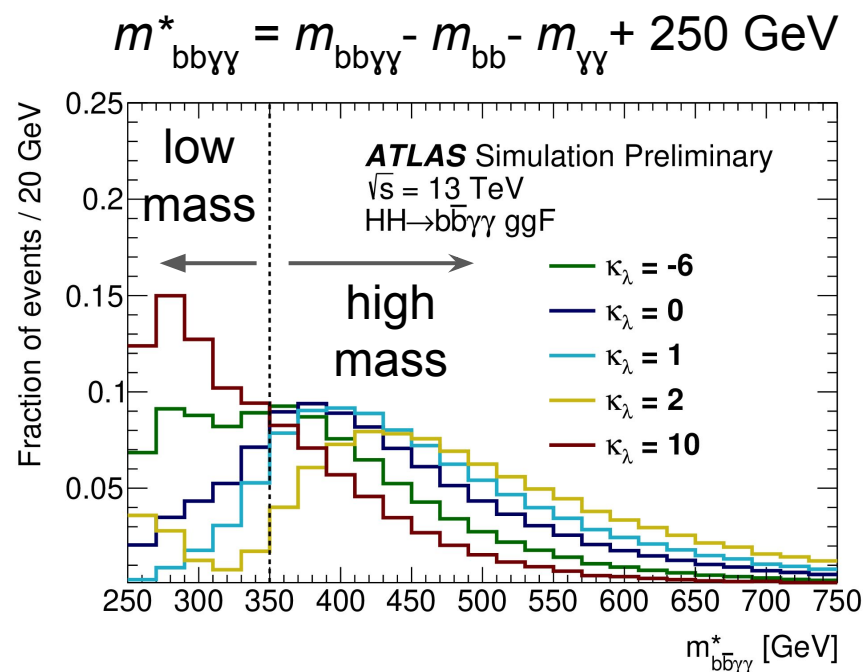
Available Run 2 results
by **CMS** & **ATLAS**

- Analyses ongoing to cover more channels
- No HH golden channel
 - Channel sensitivity dependent on the SM/BSM interpretation



HH→bbγγ at ATLAS with 139 fb⁻¹ - overview

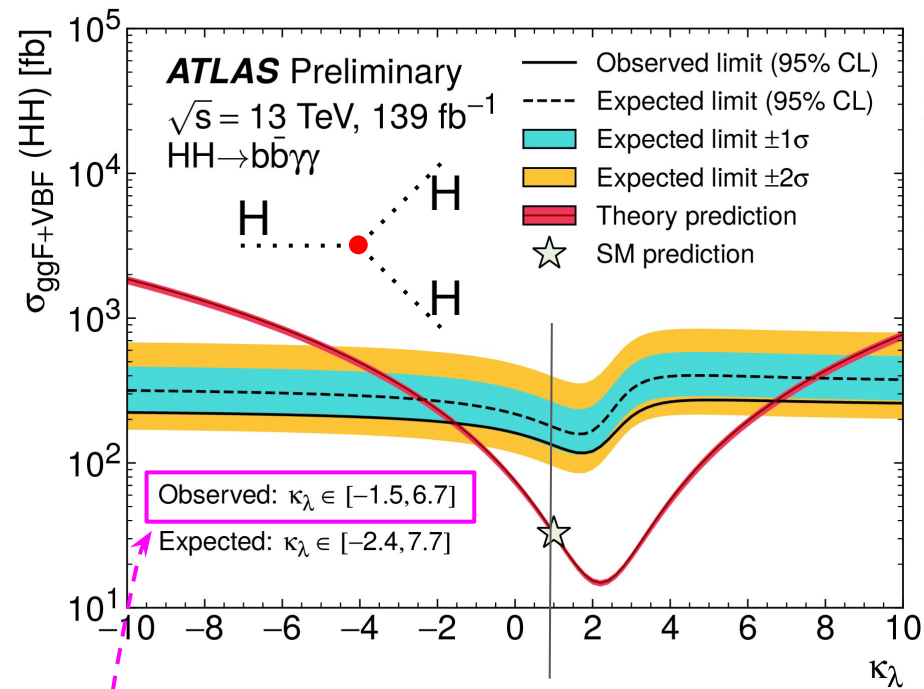
- Non-resonant + resonant (spin 0) HH search
- Clean but rare final state:
 - bkg from jets(+γγ) → γ and b-jet ID requirements
 - bkg from t \bar{t} H(γγ) & t \bar{t} γγ → veto events with e, μ, or ≥6 jets
- BDT classifiers to separate HH signal from main bkg
- Four-body mass $m_{bb\gamma\gamma}^*$ to improve BSM sensitivity
 - 2 $m_{bb\gamma\gamma}^*$ × 2 BDT score cat's for non-resonant
 - $m_{bb\gamma\gamma}^*$ selection around resonance mass for X→HH
- Fit $m_{\gamma\gamma}$ for signal extraction



HH→bbγγ at ATLAS with 139 fb⁻¹ - results

- No deviations from SM observed

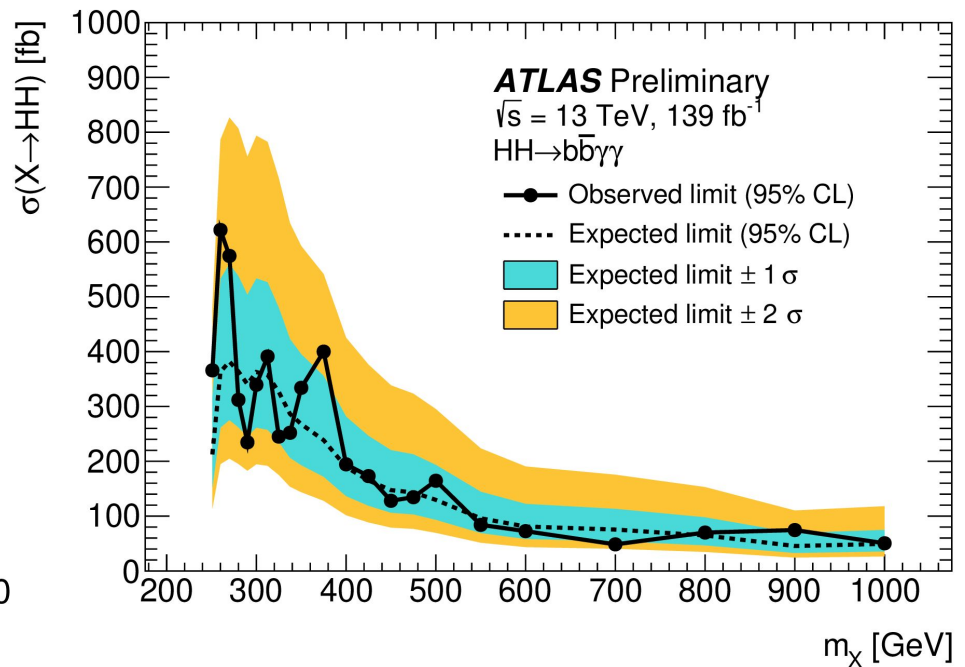
Limit on HH XS vs κ_λ



Upper limit on signal strength
obs.(exp.) = 4.1(5.5)×SM

Best HH results to date

Limit on spin 0 resonance with mass m_X and narrow width



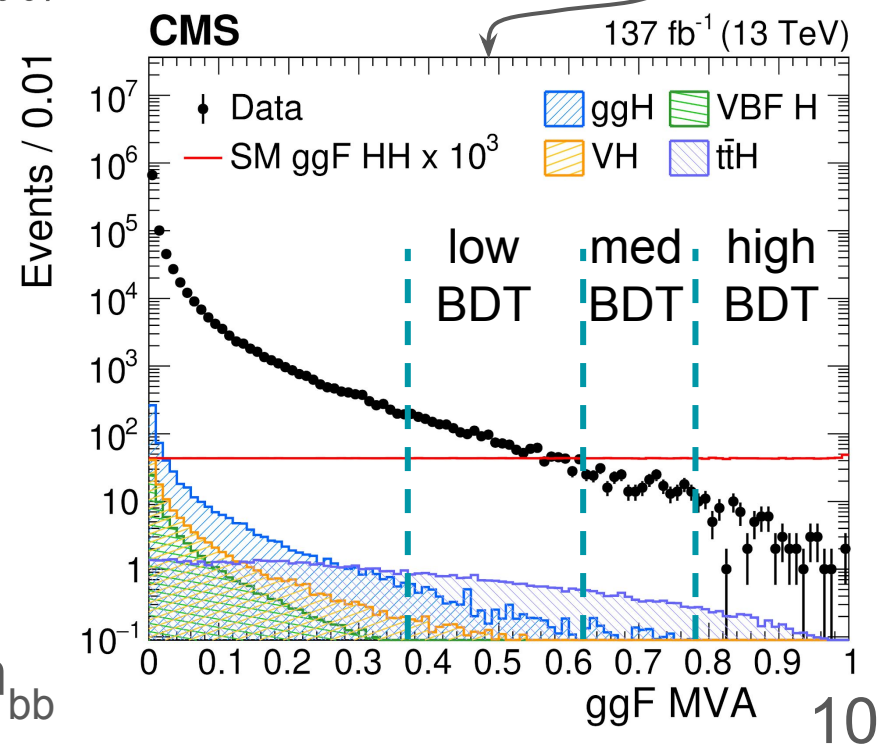
Obs. limit between 620 and 50 fb
 for $m_X \in [251, 1000] \text{ GeV}$

HH \rightarrow bby γ at CMS with 137 fb $^{-1}$ - overview

- Non-resonant HH search
- Selections similar to ATLAS bby γ
- MVA strategy to optimize signal-bkg separation
 - BDT to separate ggF or VBF HH from $\gamma(\gamma)$ +jets events
 - DNN to separate HH from $t\bar{t}H(\gamma\gamma)$ events

- Optimize sensitivity to SM, anomalous k_λ , and c_{2V}
 - 3 BDT \times 4 $m_{bby\gamma}^*$ categories targeting ggHH
 - 2 $m_{bby\gamma}^*$ categories targeting VBF HH

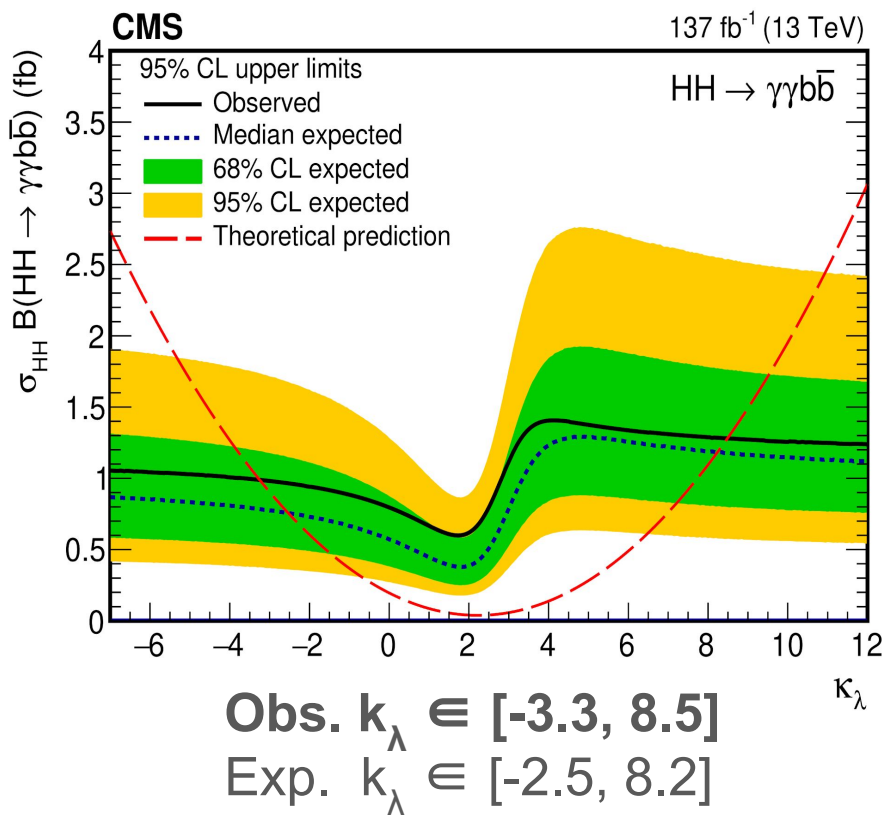
- Signal extraction from simultaneous fit of $m_{\gamma\gamma}$ and m_{bb}



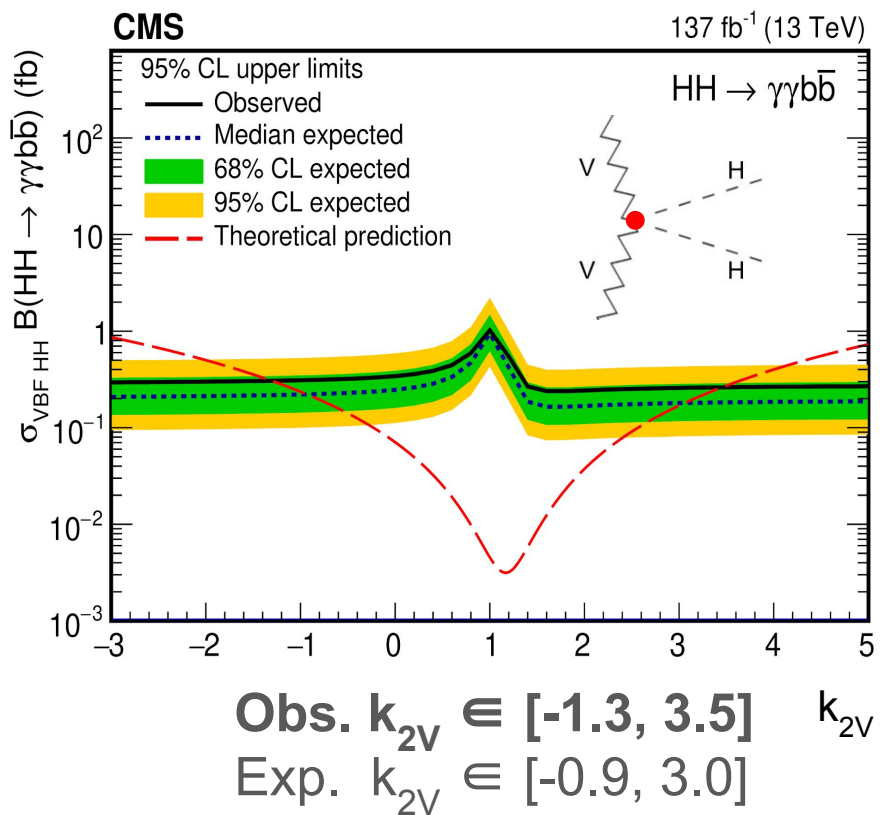
HH→bbyγ at CMS with 137 fb⁻¹ - results

- No deviations from SM observed
- **Obs.(exp.)** upper limit on HH signal strength 7.7(5.2)×SM

Limit on HH XS×BR vs k_λ



Limit on VBF HH XS×BR vs k_{2V} = c_{2V} / c_{2V}SM

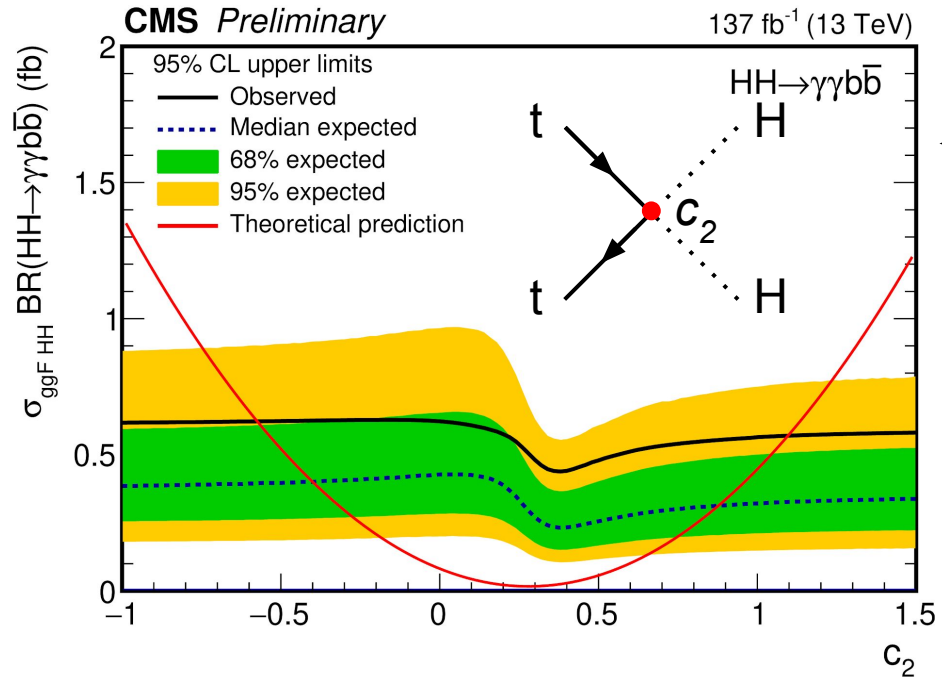
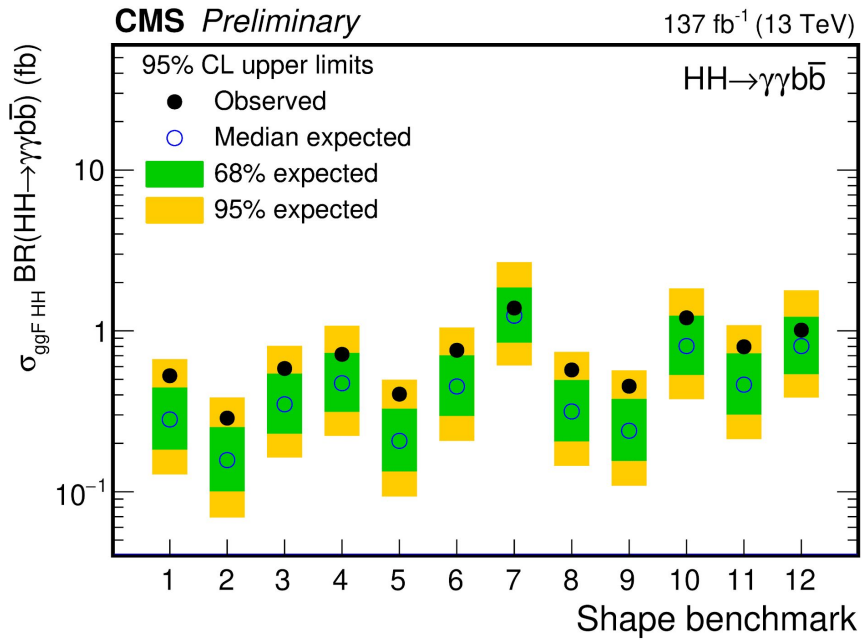


➤ Expected sensitivity close to ATLAS bbyγ

HH→bbγγ at CMS with 137 fb⁻¹ - EFT results

Limit on ggHH XS×BR for benchmarks of [JHEP04\(2016\)126](#)

- Obs. limits ranging from 0.3 to 1 fb
- Kinematics variations between benchmarks → different upp. limit



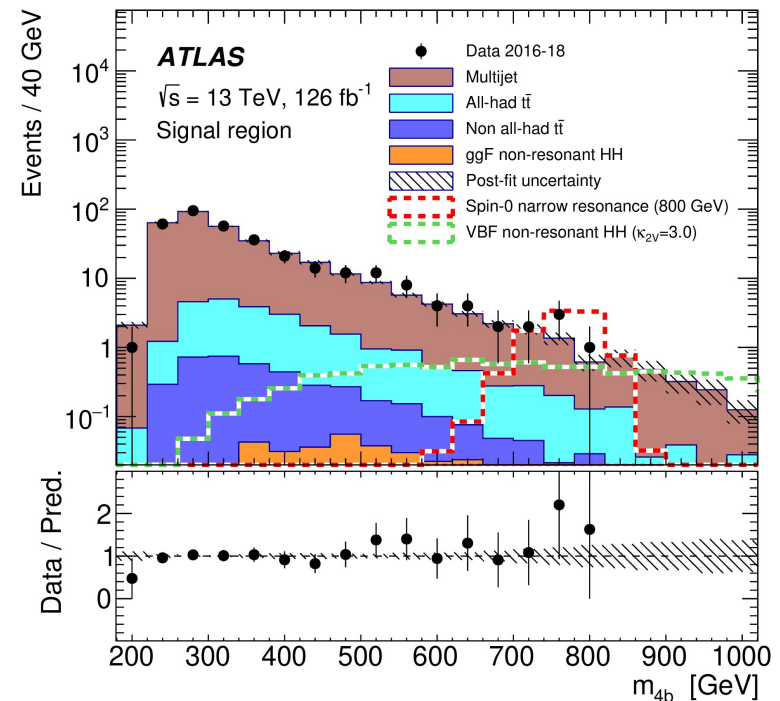
← Limit on ggHH XS×BR vs c₂

- Special role of H and t in several BSM theories
- HHtt effective coupling

Obs. c₂ ∈ [-0.6, 1.1]
Exp. c₂ ∈ [-0.4, 0.9]

VBF $HH \rightarrow bbbb$ at ATLAS with 127 fb^{-1} - overview

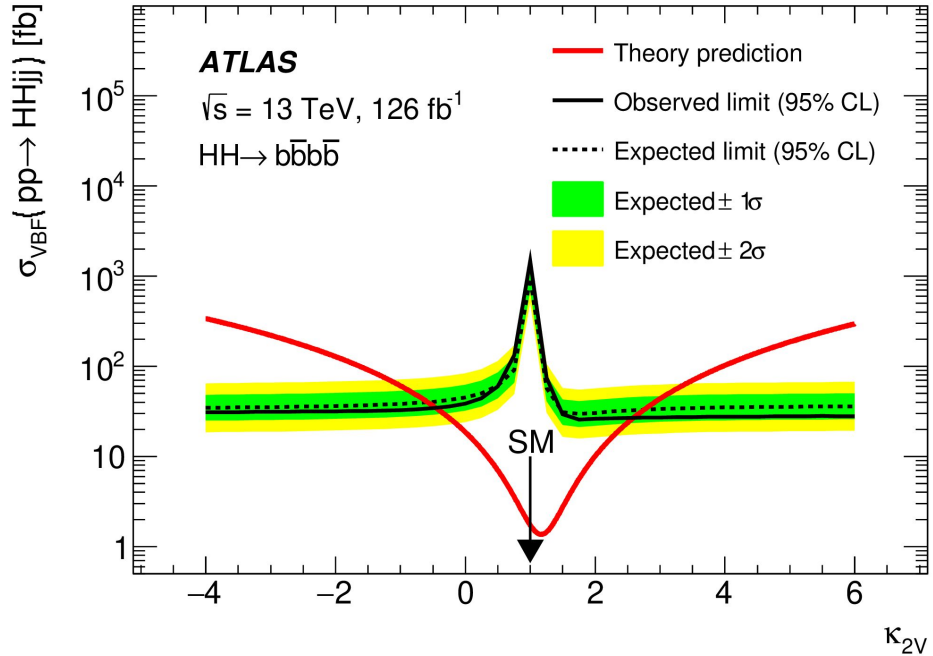
- Resonant + non-resonant VBF HH searches
- Signal featuring 4 b-jets + forward-backward jet pair
- Main background from QCD events
 - requirement on b-jet ID & m_{bb} masses & event kinematics
 - data-driven bkg estimation
- b-jet energy regression to improve $\sim 25\%$ m_{bb} mass resolution
- Signal extracted from fit to four-body mass m_{4b}



VBF HH→bbbb at ATLAS with 127 fb⁻¹ - results

- No deviations from SM observed

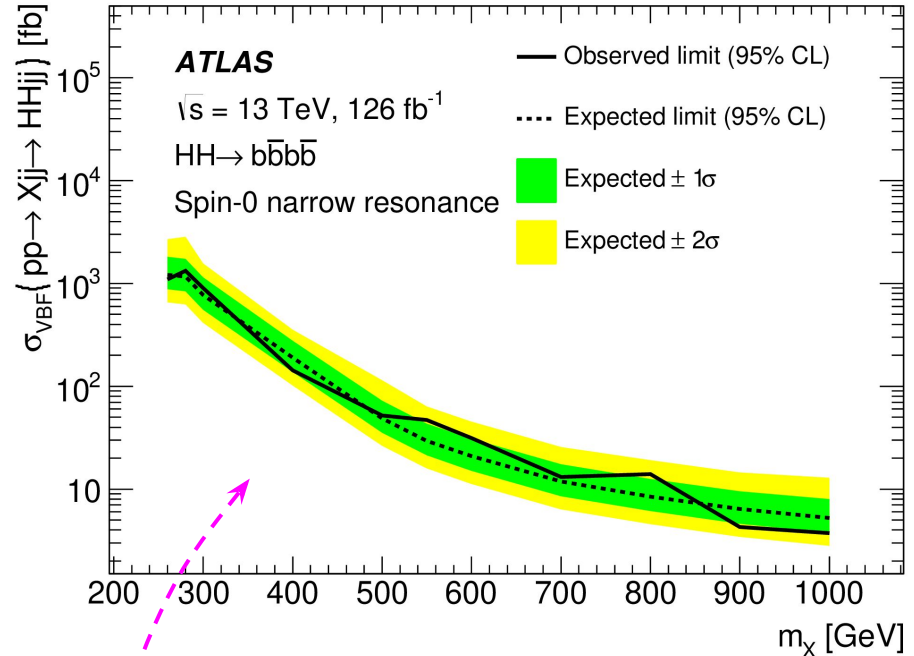
Limit on VBF HH XS vs k_{2V}



Obs. $k_{2V} \in [-0.43, 2.56]$
 Exp. $k_{2V} \in [-0.55, 2.72]$

Best result to date

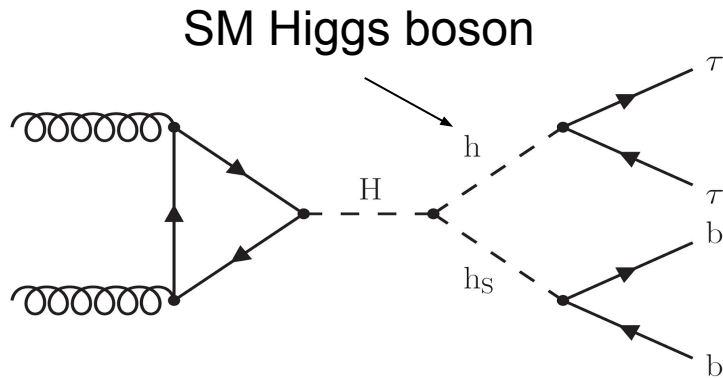
Limit on spin 0 resonance with mass m_x and narrow width



Obs. limit between 10³ and 4 fb
 for $m_x \in [260, 1000]$ GeV

First result for VBF production mechanism

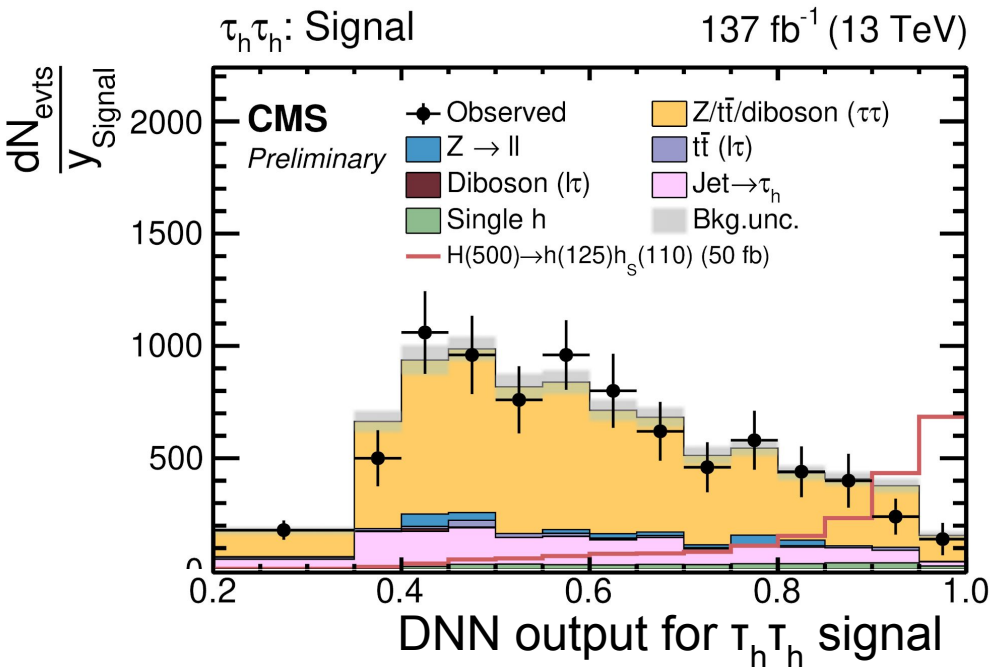
H → h_S h → bbττ at CMS with 137 fb⁻¹ - overview



Online+offline selections targeting $\tau_h \tau_h$, $e\tau_h$, $\mu\tau_h$

Require ID of exactly 1 or 2 b-jets

- Signature predicted by NMSSM
- Main backgrounds from QCD, $t\bar{t}$, and Z+jets



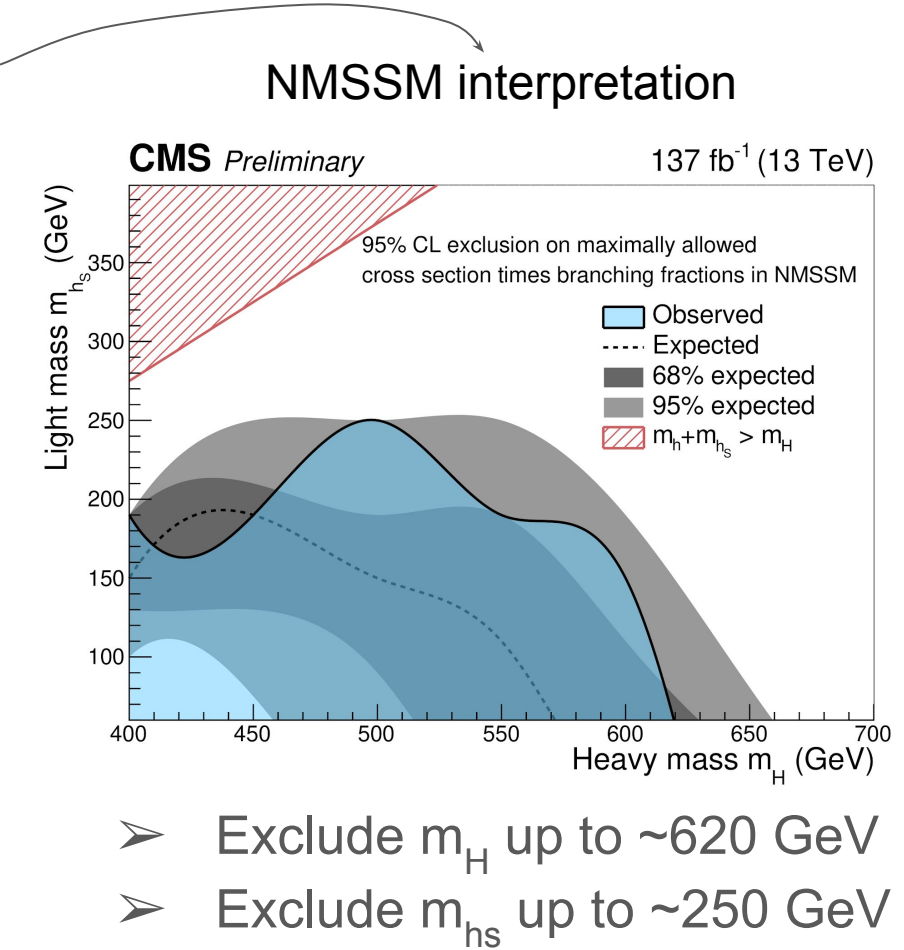
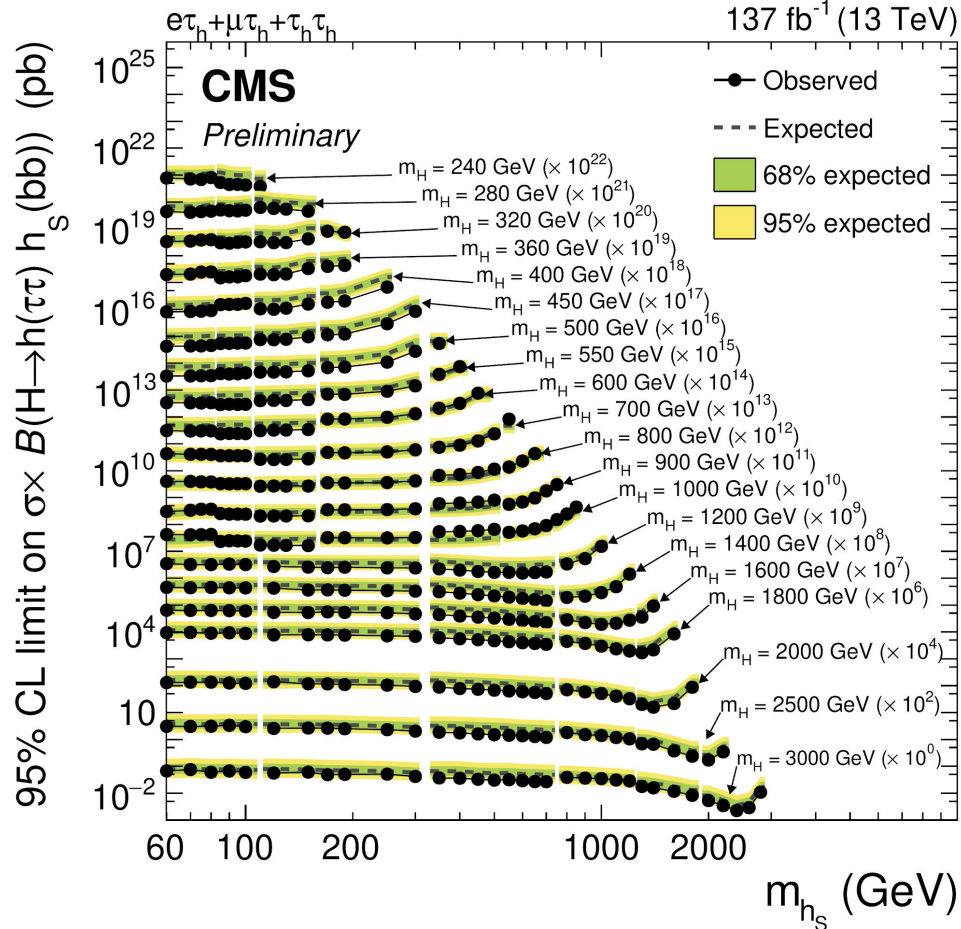
➤ Optimize signal vs bkg separation with NN multiclassifier

- Signal region dominated by events with genuine τ_h

H → h_s h → bbττ at CMS with 137 fb⁻¹ - results

- No deviations from SM observed
 - Upper limits from 125 fb (m_H = 240 GeV) to 2.7 fb (m_H = 3 TeV)

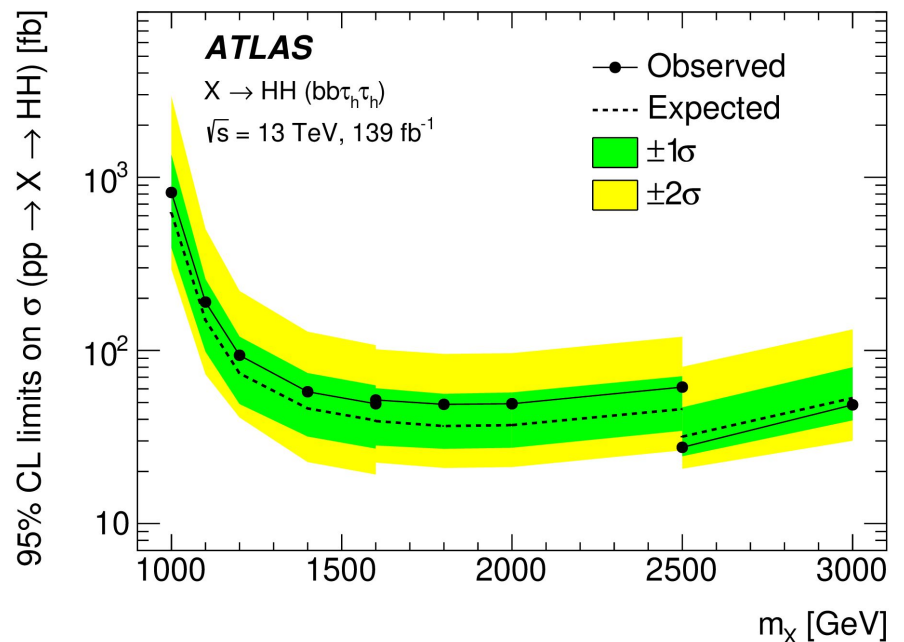
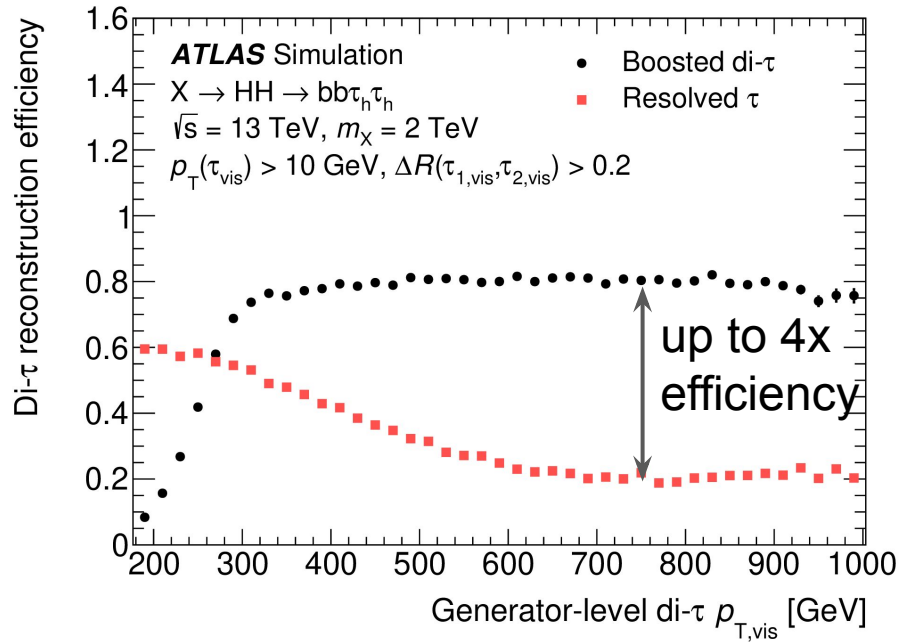
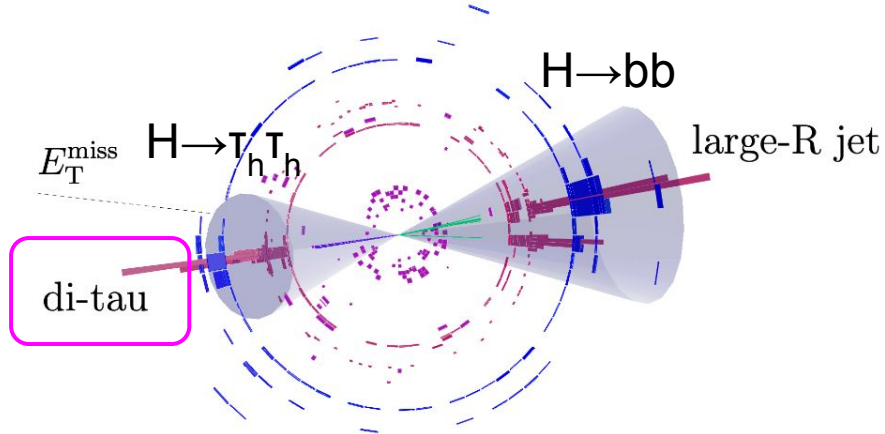
model-independent limit on H → hh_s XS vs h_s mass for different m_H hypotheses



Boosted $X \rightarrow HH \rightarrow bb\tau_h\tau_h$ at ATLAS with 139 fb^{-1}

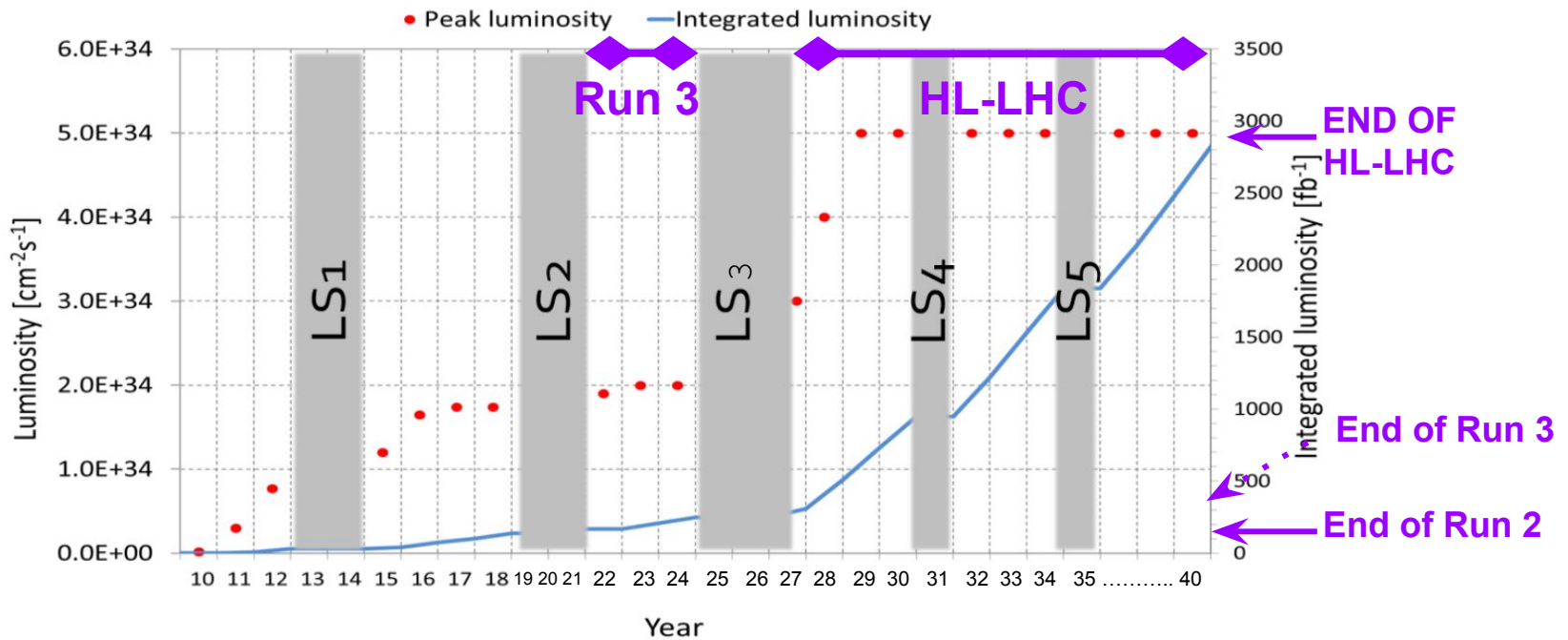
- For large m_X non-resolved $\tau_h\tau_h$ (and bb jets) pairs
- Innovative reco and ID of non-resolved $\tau_h\tau_h$ pair
Large-R jets with jet substructures

Reconstructed $HH \rightarrow bb\tau\tau$ candidate on ATLAS transverse plane



Prospects for HH search

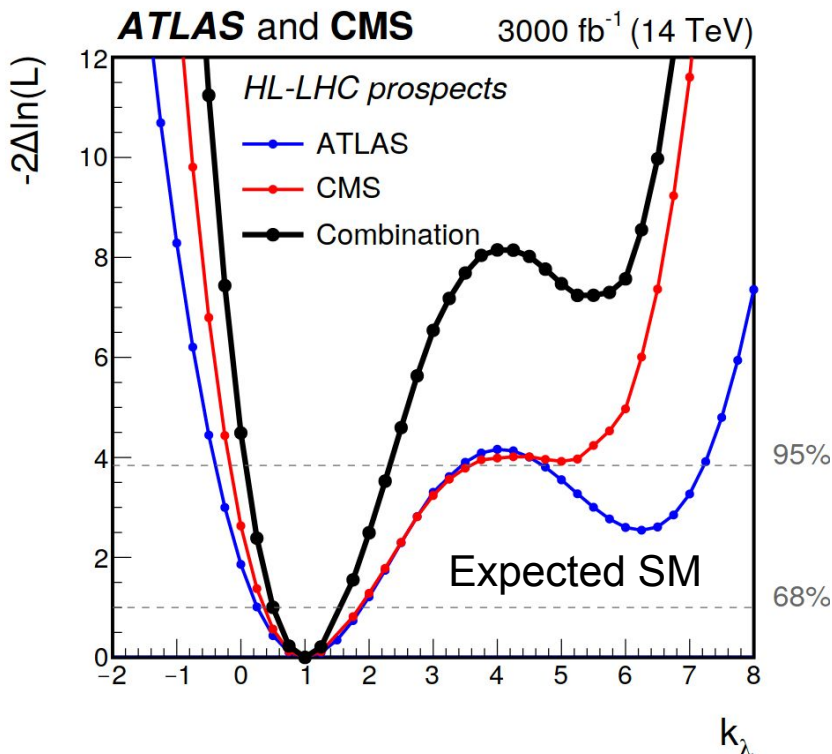
- 3X increase of luminosity at HL-LHC
 - Data equivalent to 3000-4000 fb⁻¹ in ~10 years of operation



$\sigma(gg \rightarrow HH) @ 14 \text{ TeV} \sim 37 \text{ fb} \Rightarrow 10^5 \text{ HH events at } 3000 \text{ fb}^{-1}$

Projections to HL-LHC

$0.52 < k_\lambda < 1.5$ @ 68% CL



$k_\lambda = 0$ excluded @ >95% CL

Exp. significance on SM signal (standard deviations)	
ATLAS	CMS
3.0	2.6
4.0	

Evidence of a SM HH process by
the end of HL-LHC



Further improvement possible through
new techniques & ideas → observation?

➤ Possible discrepancies from SM can arise much earlier!

Summary

- HH physics offers wide physics program at LHC
 - HHVV, tri-H couplings + effective BSM couplings
 - Search for BSM resonances
- Presented some of the first Run 2 results
 - No deviations from SM predictions observed so far
 - New techniques, approaches wrt 2016 analyses
 - More results will be available soon - stay tuned!
- Evidence of (SM) HH by the end of HL-LHC
 - Observation?
 - Discrepancies from SM can arise much earlier

Exciting times ahead!

BACKUP

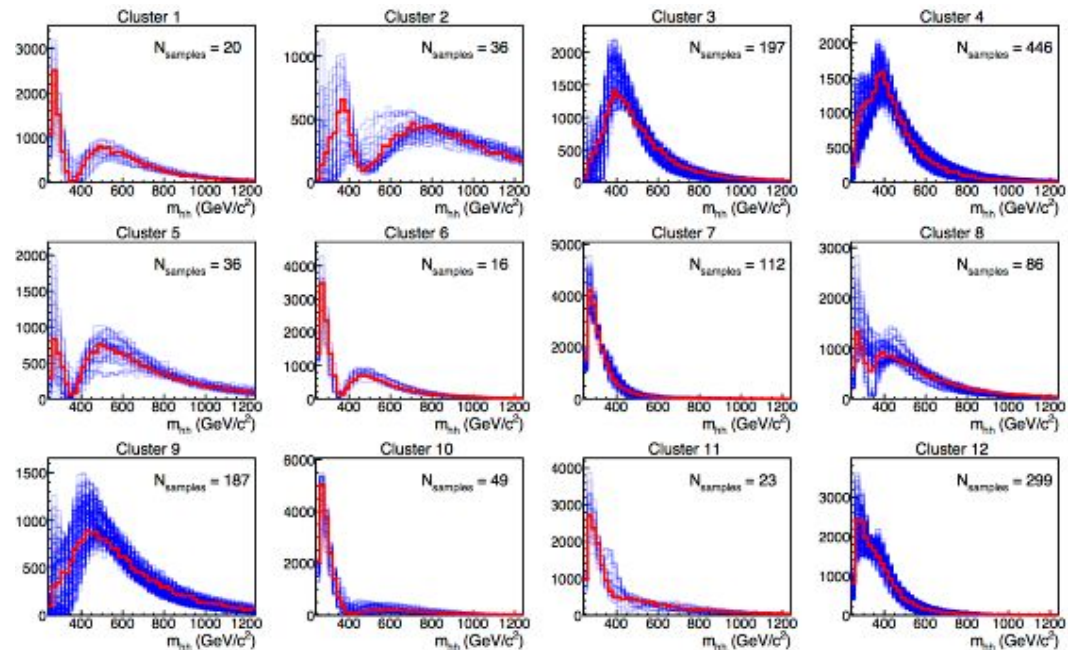
EFT HH benchmarks ([JHEP04\(2016\)126](#))

12 kinematically representative points in the 5D parameters space

space

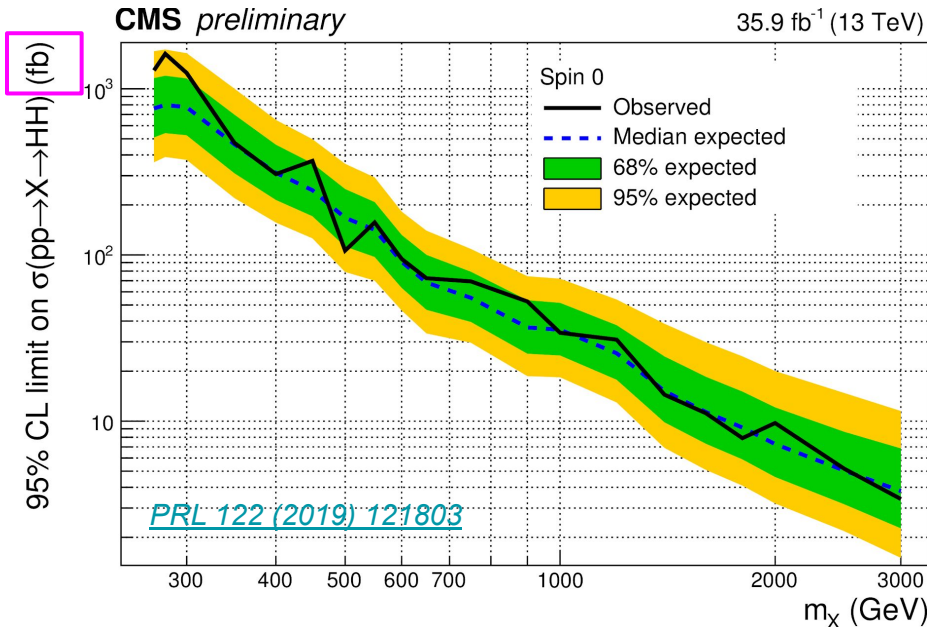
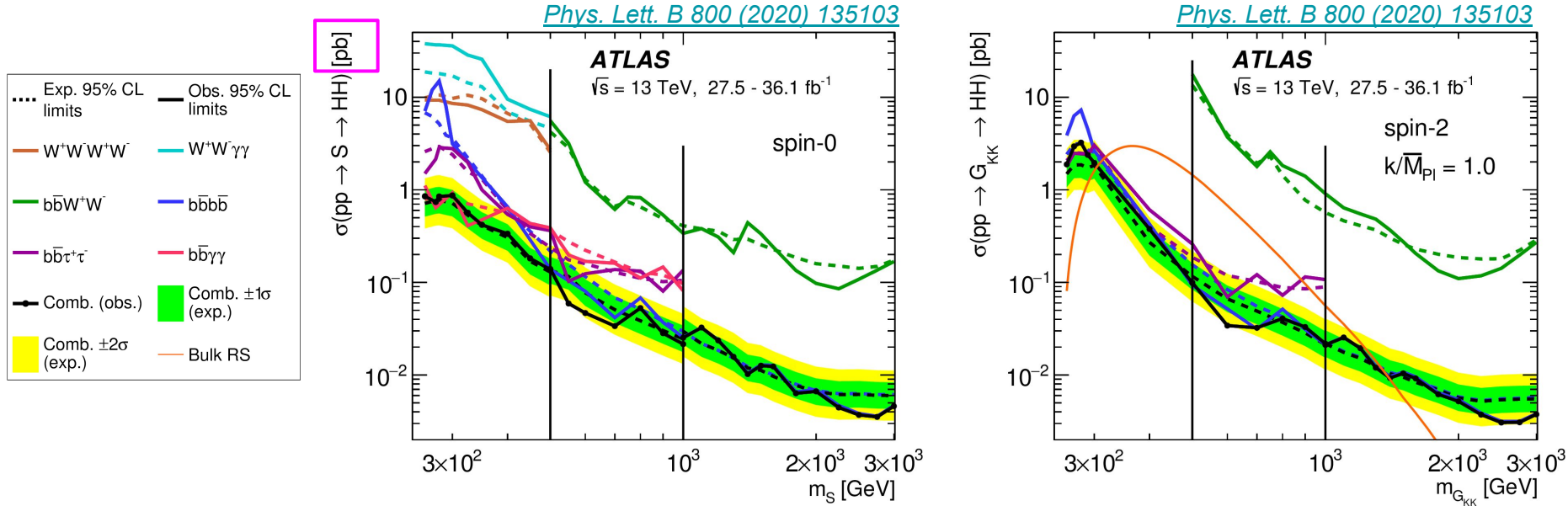
Benchmark	κ_λ	κ_t	c_2	c_g	c_{2g}
0	7.5	1.0	-1.0	0.0	0.0
1	1.0	1.0	0.5	-0.8	0.6
2	1.0	1.0	-1.5	0.0	-0.8
3	-3.5	1.5	-3.0	0.0	0.0
4	1.0	1.0	0.0	0.8	-1.0
5	2.4	1.0	0.0	0.2	-0.2
6	5.0	1.0	0.0	0.2	-0.2
7	15.0	1.0	0.0	-1.0	1.0
8	1.0	1.0	1.0	-0.6	0.6
9	10.0	1.5	-1.0	0.0	0.0
10	2.4	1.0	0.0	1.0	-1.0
11	15.0	1.0	1.0	0.0	0.0

m_{HH} distribution for the 12 benchmarks



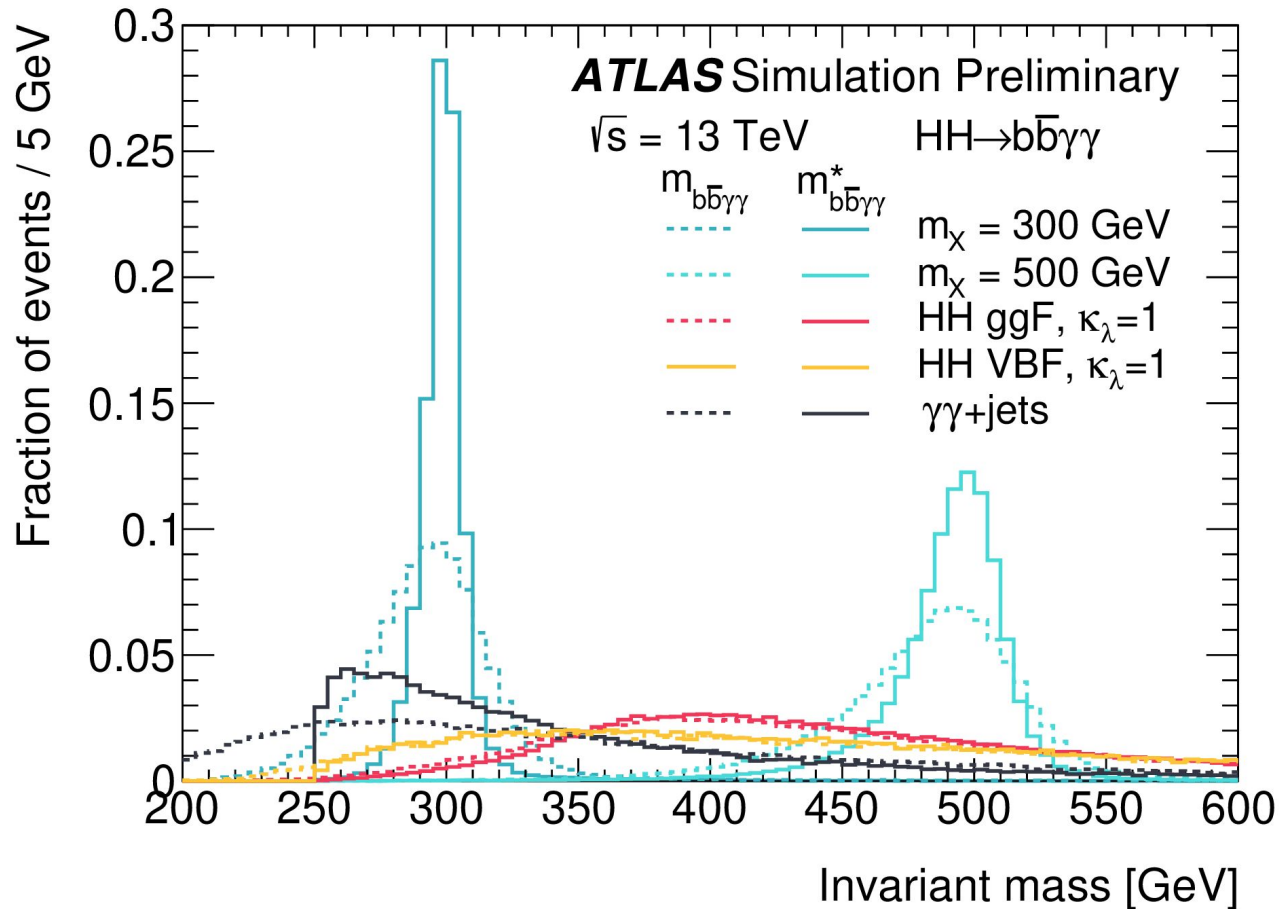
➤ Extract limit on the 12 benchmarks to explore EFT sensitivity

Limits on spin 0 and 2 $X \rightarrow HH$ with 2016 dataset



$m_{b\bar{b}\gamma\gamma}^*$ advantages

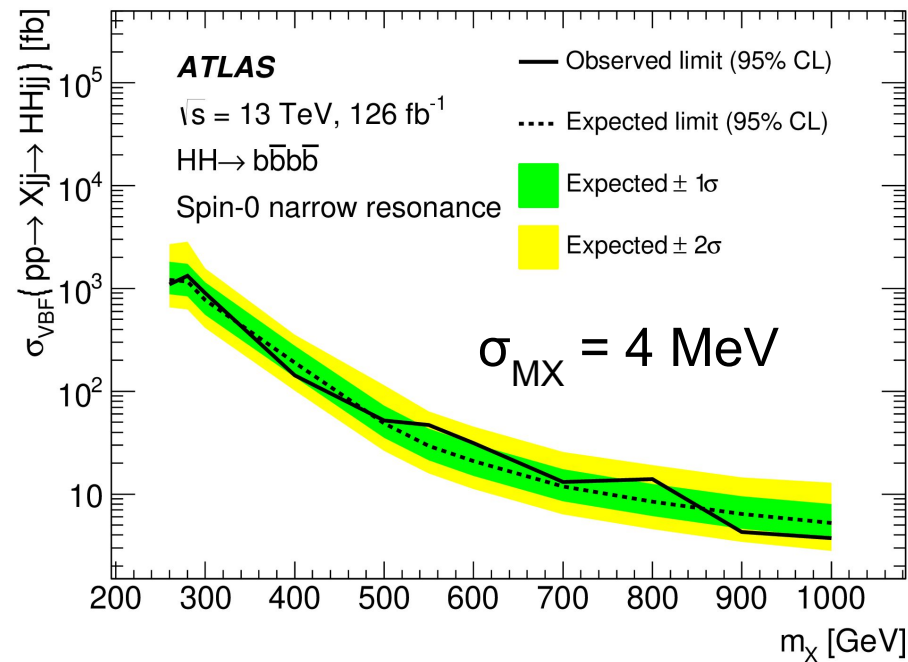
- Reduce effect of jet and photon energy resolution
- \sim falling shape for non-resonant bkg
- peak at m_χ for resonant HH signal



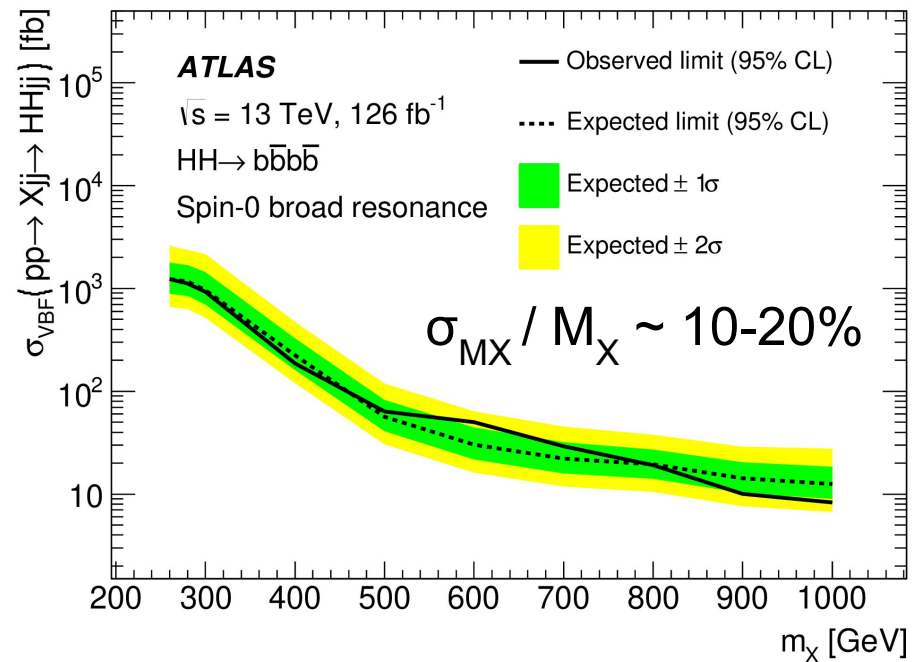
Impact of resonance width on $X \rightarrow HH$ sensitivity

- ATLAS $X \rightarrow HH \rightarrow bb$ search with 127 fb^{-1}

Limit on spin 0 resonance with mass m_X and narrow width



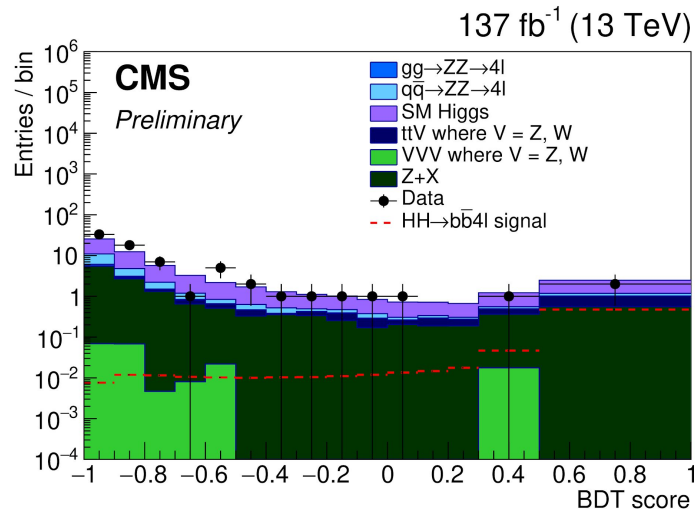
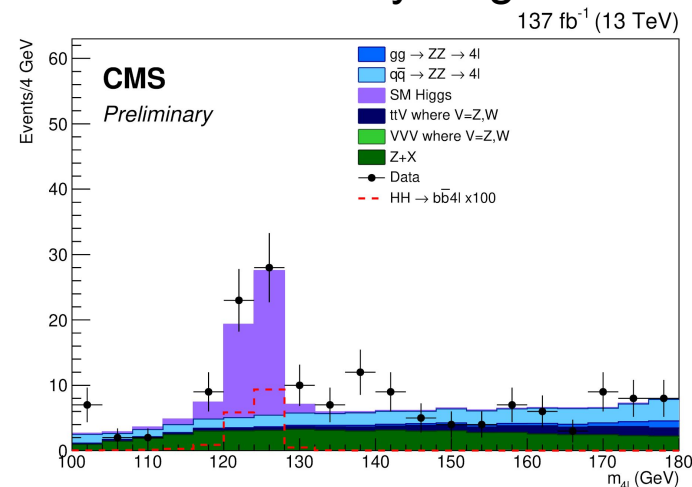
Limit on spin 0 resonance with mass m_X and broad width



HH→bbZZ(4ℓ) at CMS with 137 fb⁻¹ of data

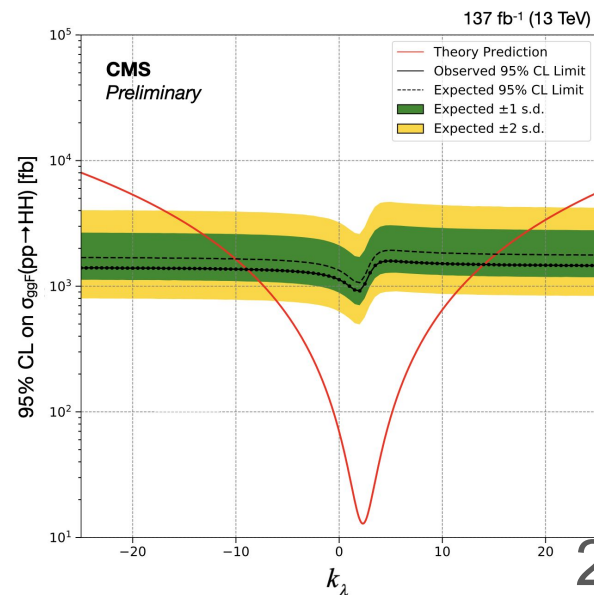
- Final state with 4ℓ + 2 b-jets
 - Clean signature over continuum bkg
 - Small BR of ~10⁻⁴
 - BDT classifier to optimize signal separation from bkg
 - kin. info of ℓ's and jets + b-tag score
- sig extraction from BDT distribution fit

After preselections bkg dominated by single-H



obs.(exp.) upp. lim.
on SM HH XS
30(37) X SM

obs.(exp.) k_λ excl.
@95% C.L.
-9(-11) < k_λ < 14(16)

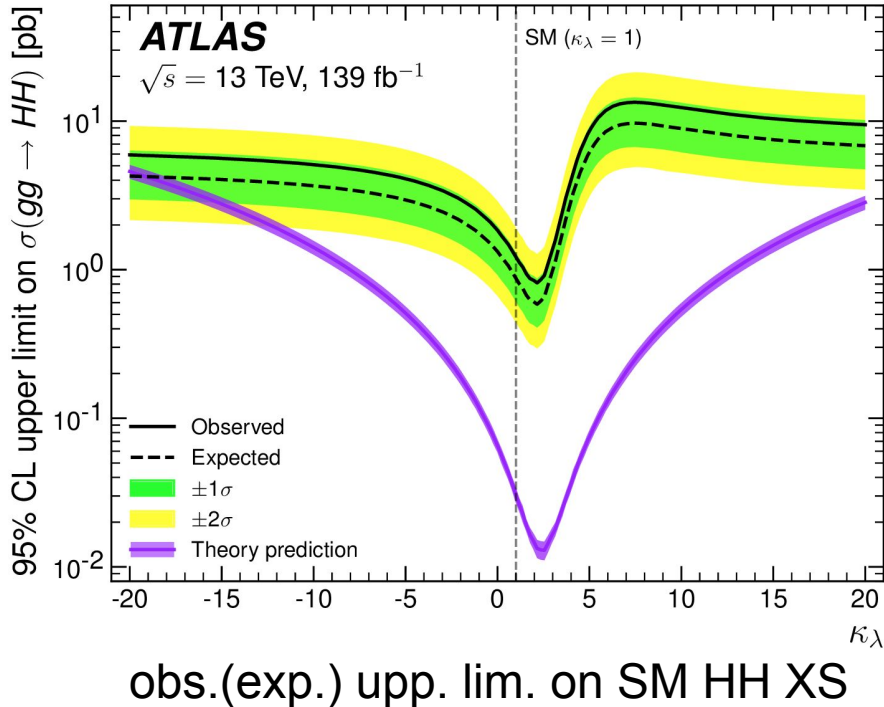
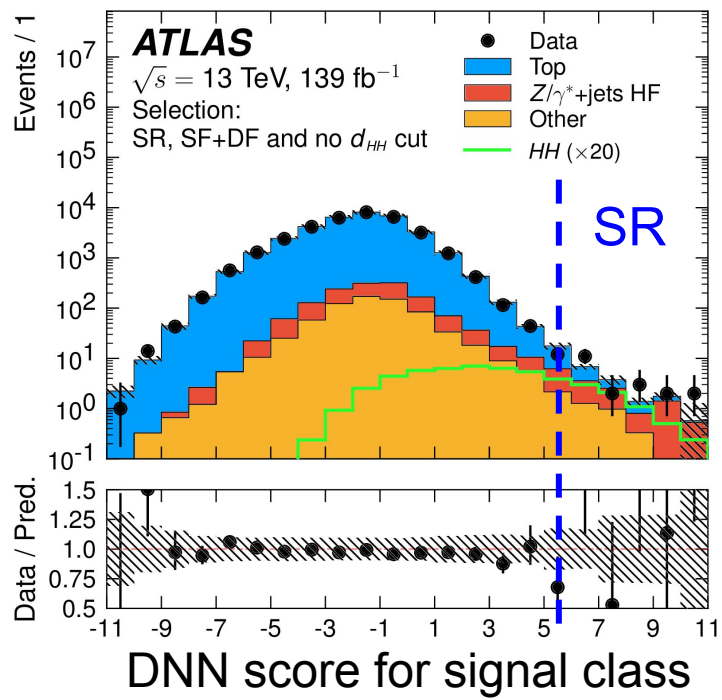


➤ First non-res results on this channel

HH→bb2ℓ at ATLAS with 139 fb⁻¹ of data

- H→W*W / Z*Z / ττ final states with 2ℓ
 - lept. and b-jet ID
 - selections on m_{ℓℓ} and m_{bb}
- DNN multiclassifier to optimize signal vs bks separation
- Counting experiment in high DNN score region

Main backgrounds from tt+X and Z/γ*+heavy-jets events

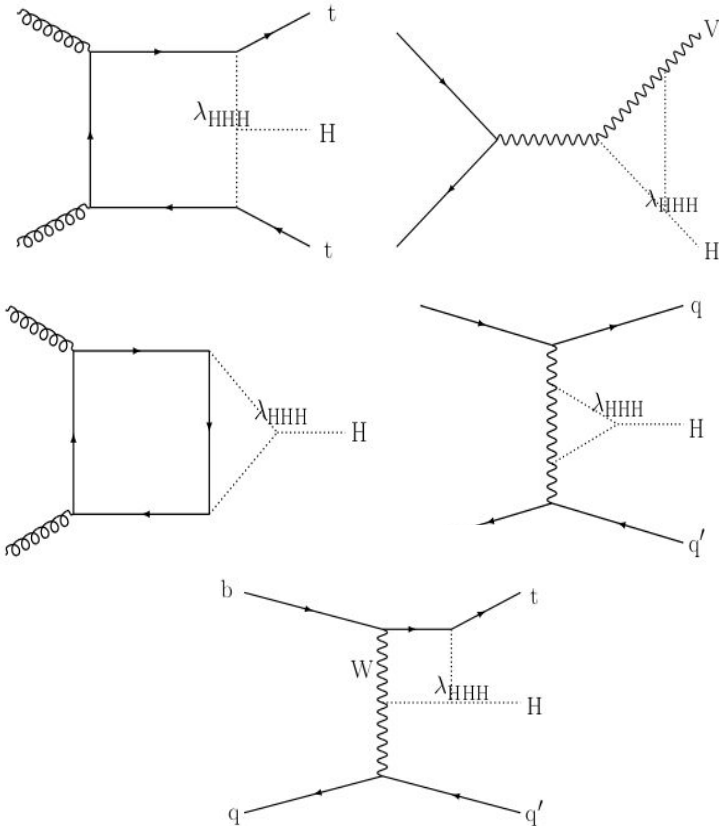


obs.(exp.) upp. lim. on SM HH XS
40(29) × SM

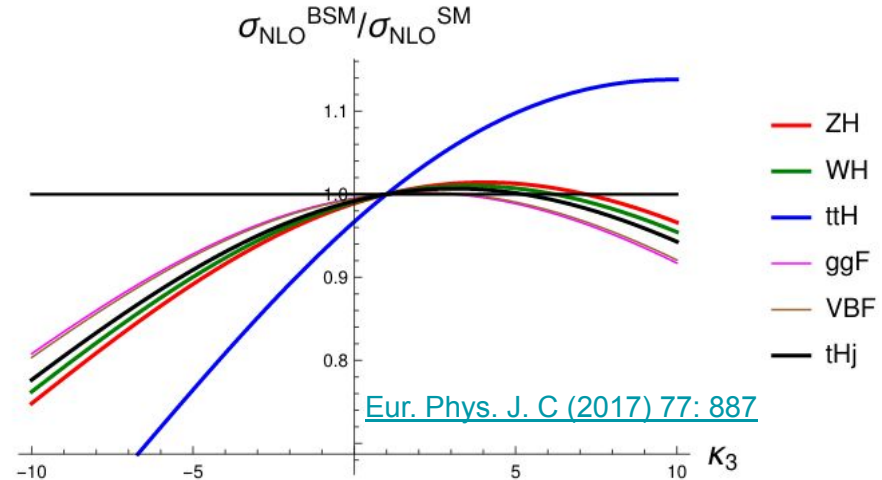
Trilinear self-coupling in single-H mechanisms

- λ -dependent NLO electroweak corrections to single-H XS

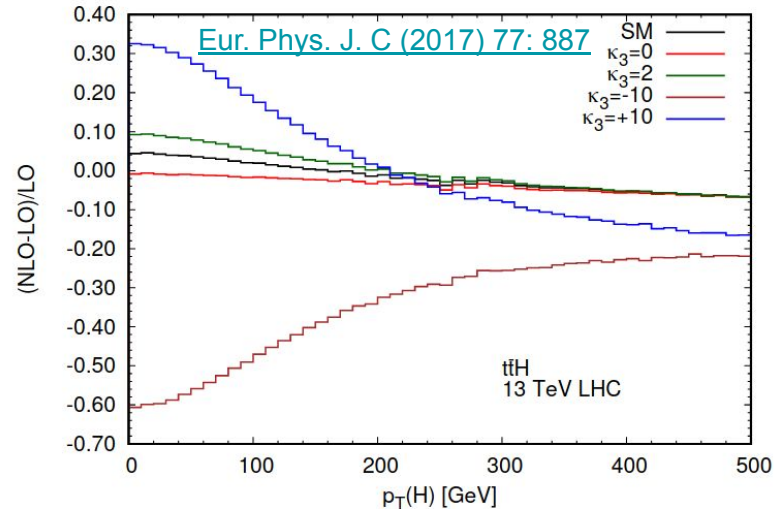
Examples of λ -dependent diagrams for single-H mechanisms



Modification of total XS

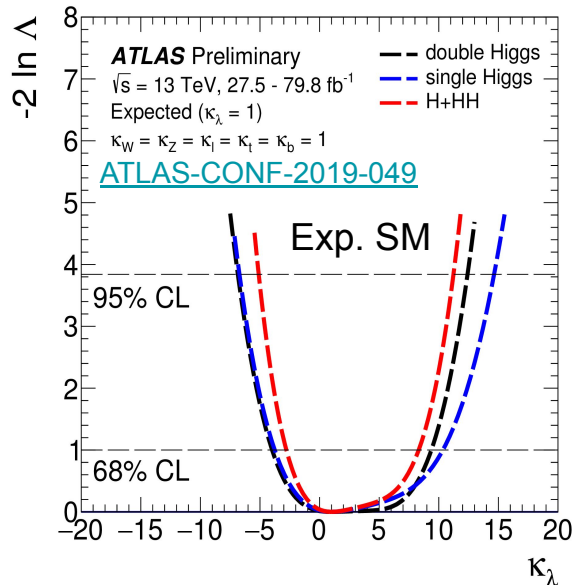
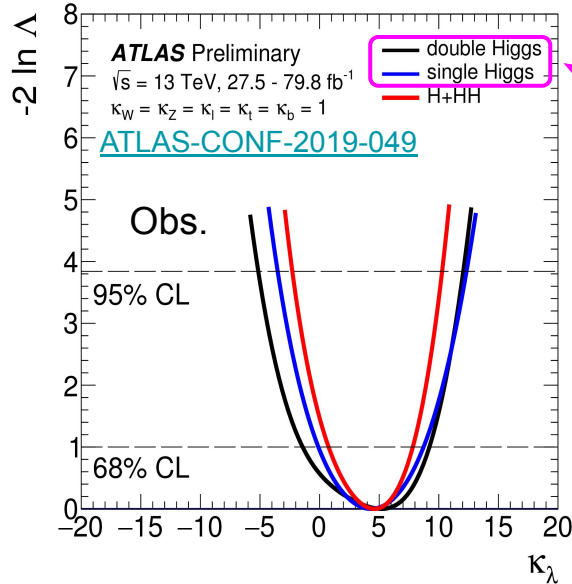


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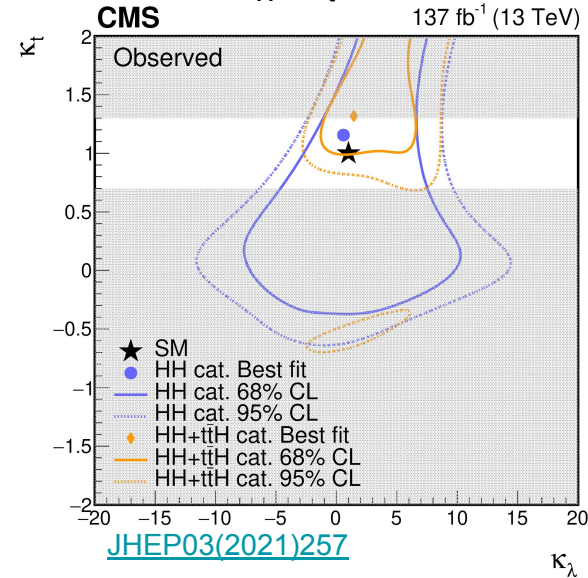


λ measurement from single-double H comb

Comparable sensitivities to λ



Reduce $k_\lambda - k_t$ degeneracy



- Treatment of experimental overlap between H and HH sig regions
- Data interpretation currently with k -framework + k_λ effects